# **PADME project at DAFNE BTF**

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# **Motivation: New Physics**

- Standard Model is complete: 2012 LHC Higgs boson
- Unknowns:
  - Matter-antimatter asymmetry
  - Dark matter
  - Dark Energy
- Still some places of discrepancies between theory and experiment
- The Standard Model is a low energy approximation of a more fundamental theory.

But which theory?

#### Direct search experiment







Positron excess: PAMELA, FERMI, AMS02

- No significant excess in antiprotons: pure secondary production
- ... and astronomy



Observation of 3.5keV line? arXiv:1402.2301 arXiv:1402.4119 Possible interpretation: arXiv:1404.2220

# Hint for dark matter?

Dark matter annihilation through



- If Dark Matter is the explanation to the positron excess, then the mediator should be light ( < 2\*M<sub>proton</sub>)
- Coupling constant to DM could be arbitrary (even O(1))
- The Lagrangian term can arise through
  - fermions being charged (mili) under this new gauge symmetry ( $q_f \rightarrow 0$  for some flavours)
  - Kinetic mixing between ordinary photon and DM one:  $\mathcal{L}_{mix} = -\frac{\epsilon}{2} F^{QED}_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}_{dark}$
  - Using simply an effective description:  $g'.q'_e = \varepsilon$ ,  $\alpha' = \alpha * \varepsilon^2$







About 3  $\sigma$  discrepancy between theory and experiment (3.6  $\sigma$ , if taking into account only  $e^+e^- \rightarrow$  hadrons)

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{dark photon}} = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \varepsilon^2 F(m_V/m_{\mu}), \qquad (17)$$

where  $F(x) = \int_0^1 2z(1-z)^2/[(1-z)^2 + x^2z] dz$ . For values of  $\varepsilon \sim 1-2 \cdot 10^{-3}$  and  $m_V \sim 10-100$  MeV, the dark photon, which was originally motivated by cosmology, can provide a viable solution to the muon g-2 discrepancy. Searches for the dark

# Heavy/Dark photon/boson

- The most attractive explanation of the phenomena is the simplest one – with a single object
- If this is the U-boson, it should be sufficiently light – 10-100MeV
- Searches
  - Beam dump experiments
    - A'-strahlung production
    - Every observed event is signal
  - Fixed target
    - peaks in the e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> invariant mass spectrum
  - Meson decays
    - Peaks in  $M_{e^+e^-}$  or  $M_{\mu^+\mu^-}$



#### <u>Present limits: invisible searches</u>

- There is no published direct present limit in the U $\rightarrow$ invisible decay from  $a=\frac{g-2}{2}$
- The discrepancy is not in g<sub>µ</sub>-2 itself, it's in the consistency of g<sub>p</sub> & g<sub>µ</sub>
- Alternative inputs should be used to extract information from  $\textbf{g}_{\text{e}}: \alpha_{_{EM}}$



- Anomalous magnetic moment limits
  - $\alpha_{\rm EM}$  usually a determined from  $g_e$ -2 *input*
  - Used further to constrain  $g_{\mu}$ -2
  - Dark photon contribution:



The invisible search removes any assumption apart from coupling to leptons!

#### Present status



Status: ongoing, planned, proposals

# How to improve?

- Searching a U-boson in a kinematically constraint event and using full reconstruction
- Basic process: positron on a fixed target

$$e^+ + e^- \rightarrow \gamma + U \begin{cases} \gamma + E_{miss} & (invisible channel, U \rightarrow \chi \chi) \\ \gamma + e^+e^- & (visible channel, U \rightarrow e^+e^-) \end{cases}$$

• Normalizing to the concurrent process - annihilation

$$\frac{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma U)}{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma \gamma)} = \frac{N(\gamma U)}{N(\gamma \gamma)} * \frac{Acc(\gamma \gamma)}{Acc(\gamma U)} = \varepsilon^2 * \delta$$

- $N(\gamma U)$ ,  $N(\gamma \gamma)$  number of registered events
- Acc( $\gamma$ U), Acc( $\gamma\gamma$ ) detection efficiency
- $\delta = \sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma U)/\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma \gamma)$  at  $\epsilon = 1 cross section enhancement factor$

#### Is it possible such a search to be conducted at BTF?

# **PADME experiment**

#### **Positron Annihilation into Dark Matter Experiment**



- Small scale fixed target experiment
- Measuring both charged and neutral particles:
  - Spectrometer
  - Calorimeter
  - Beam profile



 $e^+$ Maximal beam energy [MeV]550Beam rate [particles/burst] $6.2 \times 10^8$ Number of bursts per second50Max. averaged current during a burst [mA]85Typical emittance (mm mrad)1.5Beam spot size ( $\sigma$  in mm)2.

- Variable beam energy
  - from ~250 MeV to  $E_{MAX}$
- Variable beam intensity
- Possibility for single particle beam
  - However we need statistics...
- Both positron and electron beams
- Small beam energy spread
- Available immediately
- The accessible region is limited by the maximal beam energy
  - Around 23 MeV for 550 MeV e<sup>+</sup> beam







- Electron is at rest
- Positron momentum is determined by the accelerator characteristics 1% resolution
- Basic contribution to the missing mass resolution reconstruction of the photon 4momentum
  - Interaction point inside the target beam transverse size is small, but the time stability is not sufficient
  - Cluster position in the calorimeter
  - Energy resolution of the calorimeter



#### **Event reconstruction**



- Clear 2 body correlation
- Dominant process in e+/e- interactions with matter is bremsstrahlung
  - Best possible resolution on energy/angle measurement
  - Photon vetoing
  - Minimize the interaction remnants + vetoing







- 10 diamond strips of 2 mm x 50 mm with 25um thickness
- Time resolution: below 1ns
- Sensitivity: from few to 10<sup>9</sup> particles
- QDC readout and bunch-by-bunch beam spot determination

#### Magnetic spectrometer



- 0.6 T magnetic field, conventional dipole magnet
- Gaseous detector with 1m length, 20cm radius (10cm from the beam direction)
  - 5 layer of triple GEMs
  - Planar or cylindrical
  - Position and momentum measurements of the charged tracks (vetoing)
  - Track time resolution: ~1ns
- Readout based on custom ASIC (possibly GASTONE?)

### **<u>Calorimeter</u>**



Paramete Units:	r: ρ g/cm <sup>3</sup>	MP <sup>3</sup> °C	$X_0^*$ cm	$R_M^*$ cm	$dE^*/dx$ MeV/cm	$\lambda_I^*$ cm	$ au_{ m decay}$ ns	$\lambda_{ m max}$ nm	$n^{ atural}$	$\operatorname{Relative}_{\operatorname{output}^{\dagger}}$	Hygro- scopic?	d(LY)/dT %/°C <sup>‡</sup>
NaI(Tl)	3.67	651	2.59	4.13	4.8	42.9	245	410	1.85	100	yes	-0.2
BGO	7.13	1050	1.12	2.23	9.0	22.8	300	480	2.15	21	no	-0.9
$BaF_2$	4.89	1280	2.03	3.10	6.5	30.7	$650^{s}$	$300^{s}$	1.50	$36^s$	no	$-1.9^{s}$
							$0.9^{f}$	$220^{f}$		$4.1^{f}$		$0.1^{f}$
CsI(Tl)	4.51	621	1.86	3.57	5.6	39.3	1220	550	1.79	165	slight	0.4
CsI(pure)	4.51	621	1.86	3.57	5.6	39.3	$30^s$	$420^{s}$	1.95	$3.6^{s}$	slight	-1.4
							$6^{f}$	$310^{f}$		$1.1^{f}$		
$PbWO_4$	8.3	1123	0.89	2.00	10.1	20.7	$30^s$	$425^{s}$	2.20	$0.3^{s}$	no	-2.5
							$10^{f}$	$420^{f}$		$0.077^{f}$		
LSO(Ce)	7.40	2050	1.14	2.07	9.6	20.9	40	402	1.82	85	no	-0.2
LaBr <sub>3</sub> (Ce	e) 5.29	788	1.88	2.85	6.9	30.4	20	356	1.9	130	yes	0.2

- Cylindrical shape, Rin = 4cm, Rout = 15cm
- 656 LYSO crystals, 1 cm x 1cm x 15-20 cm
- Energy resolution:

$$\sigma E/E = \frac{1.1\%}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus \frac{0.4\%}{E} \oplus 1.2\%$$

- Angular acceptance: 1.5 5 degrees
  - resolution < 2mrad</p>
- Digitizer readout



# **Expected sensitivity**



- 10<sup>4</sup> positrons/burst
- Considering the statistical uncertainty of the expected background to set the limits

# Dark photon prosects at BTF

conventional electron beam and U-strahlung:  $e^{-}Z \rightarrow e^{-}ZU$ 



#### **Conclusions**

- BTF machine provides unique opportunity to study possible dark photon production in annihilation channel
- Small fixed target experiment to search for dark photons in the invisible channel proposed.
- Interesting parameter space could be covered, using  $10^3 10^5 e^+$ /bunch.
- Preliminary studies have been initiated as a sidework activity
- Short time scale of the project
- PADME could turn BTF from a test beam facility into a fundamental physics machine
- PADME would profit from both energy and duty cycle upgrades of the BTF

# Possible improvements

- Duty cycle upgrade:
  - Present: 50Hz \* 10ns = 0.5\*10<sup>-6</sup>
  - At 10 ns all the particles in the bunch are treated as belonging to the same event
  - At 40ns (100 ns) time resolution of LYSO
     & Spectrometer improves the veto
  - Improvement on the repetition of equal profit!
- Energy upgrade
  - Extend the access to M<sub>u</sub> ~27 MeV
  - Improve the results in the range 20 23 MeV
- Bremsstrahlung production and visible/dump detection
  - Extend the mass region
  - Extend the  $\epsilon^2$  region to lower values due to higher U-boson boost
- Beam related background (i.e. accompanying spurious particles)
  - Difficult to access in the simulation, desired to be as minimal as possible



#### Resolution on missing mass squared