

New physics in bottomonium decay

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Introduction

SuperKEKB/Belle-II offers a new era in high-statistics studies of scalar bottomonium via radiative Υ decays $\Upsilon \rightarrow \gamma \chi_{b0}$:

- 250 fb⁻¹ on $\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow 5.9 \times 10^7 \chi_{b0}(2P) + 2.7 \times 10^6 \chi_{b0}(1P)$
- 250 fb⁻¹ on $\Upsilon(2S) \rightarrow 6.2 \times 10^7 \chi_{b0}(1P)$

χ_{b0} has the same spin and CP quantum numbers as the Higgs.
Can its decays be used to probe (BSM) Higgs physics?

Precedents:

- $B^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu$ sensitive to s -channel charged Higgs [Hou 1993](#)
- $\eta_b \rightarrow \tau\tau$ sensitive to s -channel CP-odd Higgs [Rashed et al 2010](#)

$\rightarrow \chi_{b0} \rightarrow \tau\tau$ should be sensitive to s -channel CP-even Higgs

[Haber, Kane & Sterling, NPB 1979](#)

$\chi_{b0} \rightarrow \tau\tau$: s -channel Higgs

Matrix element (SM Higgs exchange):

$$\mathcal{M}^H = \langle \ell^+ \ell^- | \frac{im_\ell}{v} \bar{\ell} \ell | 0 \rangle \frac{i}{M_{\chi_{b0}}^2 - M_H^2} \langle 0 | \frac{im_b}{v} \bar{b} b | \chi_{b0} \rangle$$

First we need the χ_{b0} decay constant,

$$\langle 0 | \bar{b} b | \chi_{b0} \rangle = i f_{\chi_{b0}}$$

- No Lattice calculation yet
- A few QCD sum-rules results, but we couldn't tell what normalization they used
- Computed $f_{\chi_{b0}}$ using quark model “mock meson” approach

$$f_{\chi_{b0}} = -\frac{3\sqrt{3M_{\chi_{b0}}}}{\sqrt{\pi\tilde{m}_b}} R'(0) = \begin{cases} -4.17 \text{ GeV}^2 & \text{for } \chi_{b0}(1P) \\ -4.31 \text{ GeV}^2 & \text{for } \chi_{b0}(2P) \end{cases}$$

(\tilde{m}_b = constituent quark mass)

$\chi_{b0} \rightarrow \tau\tau$: s -channel Higgs

Partial width (SM Higgs exchange):

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma^H(\chi_{b0} \rightarrow \tau\tau) &= \frac{M_{\chi_{b0}}}{8\pi} \left[1 - \frac{4m_\tau^2}{M_{\chi_{b0}}^2} \right]^{3/2} \left(\frac{m_b m_\tau}{v^2 M_H^2} \right)^2 f_{\chi_{b0}}^2 \\ &= \begin{cases} 4.3 \times 10^{-16} \text{ GeV} & \text{for } \chi_{b0}(1P) \\ 4.8 \times 10^{-16} \text{ GeV} & \text{for } \chi_{b0}(2P) \end{cases}\end{aligned}$$

neglecting $M_{\chi_{b0}}^2$ relative to M_H^2 in the propagator

Total widths not measured: combine measured $\chi_{b0} \rightarrow \gamma\Upsilon(1S)$ BRs with predictions for that decay's partial width (quark model):

$$\Gamma_{\chi_{b0}(1P)}^{\text{tot}} = 1.35 \text{ MeV}, \quad \Gamma_{\chi_{b0}(2P)}^{\text{tot}} = (247 \pm 93) \text{ keV}$$

$$\text{BR}^H(\chi_{b0}(1P) \rightarrow \tau\tau) = 3.1 \times 10^{-13}$$

$$\text{BR}^H(\chi_{b0}(2P) \rightarrow \tau\tau) = (1.9 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{-12}$$

Compare $\mathcal{O}(10^7)$ events in 250 fb^{-1} : BR way too small in SM!

Can s -channel Higgs contribution be enhanced?

Matrix element (SM Higgs exchange):

$$\mathcal{M}^H = \langle \ell^+ \ell^- | \frac{im_\ell}{v} \bar{\ell} \ell | 0 \rangle \frac{i}{M_{\chi_{b0}}^2 - M_H^2} \langle 0 | \frac{im_b}{v} \bar{b} b | \chi_{b0} \rangle$$

Tiny BR is due to (1) small b and τ Yukawa couplings and (2) Higgs mass suppression in propagator.

\Rightarrow Consider Type-II two-Higgs-doublet model with (1) enhanced b and τ Yukawas and (2) relatively light non-SM CP-even Higgs boson in propagator

Type-II two-Higgs-doublet model

Two Higgs doublets: Φ_1 and Φ_2

Both contribute to electroweak symmetry breaking:
vacuum expectation values $v_1^2 + v_2^2 = v_{\text{SM}}^2$, $v_2/v_1 \equiv \tan \beta$

Type-II model: specifies pattern of fermion mass generation

- Up-type quark masses from Φ_2 : coupling strength m_u/v_2
- Down-type quark, lepton masses from Φ_1 : coupling strength $m_{d,\ell}/v_1$

Physical Higgs states:

- 2 CP-even neutral Higgs bosons, h^0 (lighter) and H^0 (heavier)
- 1 CP-odd neutral Higgs boson, A^0
- Pair of charged Higgs bosons, H^\pm

We will consider the scenario in which:

- The 125 GeV Higgs is very SM-like: call it H_{125}
- The 2nd Higgs boson could be heavier or lighter: call it H_{new}

Type-II two-Higgs-doublet model: couplings to fermions

$$\begin{aligned}
 h^0 V_\mu V^\mu &: 2i \frac{M_V^2}{v} \sin(\beta - \alpha) \\
 h^0 \bar{u}u &: -i \frac{m_u}{v} [\sin(\beta - \alpha) + \cot \beta \cos(\beta - \alpha)] \\
 h^0 \bar{d}d &: -i \frac{m_d}{v} [\sin(\beta - \alpha) - \tan \beta \cos(\beta - \alpha)]
 \end{aligned}$$

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 H^0 V_\mu V^\mu &: 2i \frac{M_V^2}{v} \cos(\beta - \alpha) \\
 H^0 \bar{u}u &: -i \frac{m_u}{v} [-\cot \beta \sin(\beta - \alpha) + \cos(\beta - \alpha)] \\
 H^0 \bar{d}d &: -i \frac{m_d}{v} [\tan \beta \sin(\beta - \alpha) + \cos(\beta - \alpha)]
 \end{aligned}$$

(leptons same as down-type quarks with $m_d \rightarrow m_\ell$)

For simplicity (and accordance with LHC data), assume H_{125} couplings are exactly SM-like: “alignment limit”.

For $H_{125} = h^0(H^0)$,

$$H_{\text{new}} \bar{u}u : -i \frac{m_u}{v} [\mp \cot \beta] \qquad H_{\text{new}} \bar{d}d : -i \frac{m_d}{v} [\pm \tan \beta]$$

Large $\tan \beta \rightarrow$ large enhancement of $H_{\text{new}} \bar{b}b$, $H_{\text{new}} \bar{\tau}\tau$ couplings.

$\chi_{b0} \rightarrow \tau\tau$: s -channel H_{125} and H_{new}

Matrix element (alignment limit for H_{125}):

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}^H &= \langle \ell^+ \ell^- | \frac{im_\ell}{v} \bar{\ell} \ell | 0 \rangle \frac{i}{M_{\chi_{b0}}^2 - M_{H_{125}}^2} \langle 0 | \frac{im_b}{v} \bar{b} b | \chi_{b0} \rangle \\ &+ \langle \ell^+ \ell^- | \frac{im_\ell \tan \beta}{v} \bar{\ell} \ell | 0 \rangle \frac{i}{M_{\chi_{b0}}^2 - M_{H_{\text{new}}}^2} \langle 0 | \frac{im_b \tan \beta}{v} \bar{b} b | \chi_{b0} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Including H_{new} exchange the partial width becomes:

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma^H(\chi_{b0} \rightarrow \tau\tau) &= \frac{M_{\chi_{b0}}}{8\pi} \left[1 - \frac{4m_\tau^2}{M_{\chi_{b0}}^2} \right]^{3/2} \left(\frac{m_b m_\tau}{v^2 M_{H_{125}}^2} \right)^2 f_{\chi_{b0}}^2 \\ &\times \left[1 + \frac{M_{H_{125}}^2 \tan^2 \beta}{M_{\text{new}}^2 - M_{\chi_{b0}}^2} \right]^2 \end{aligned}$$

The Higgs-mediated BRs are also multiplied by this factor:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \text{BR}^H(\chi_{b0}(1P) \rightarrow \tau\tau) &= 3.1 \times 10^{-13} \\ \text{BR}^H(\chi_{b0}(2P) \rightarrow \tau\tau) &= (1.9 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{-12} \end{aligned} \right\} \times \left[1 + \frac{M_{H_{125}}^2 \tan^2 \beta}{M_{\text{new}}^2 - M_{\chi_{b0}}^2} \right]^2$$

Will only need $(M_{H_{125}}/M_{H_{\text{new}}}) \tan \beta \sim 30$ for $\mathcal{O}(100)$ signal events in $\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow \gamma \chi_{b0}(2P) \rightarrow \gamma \tau\tau$

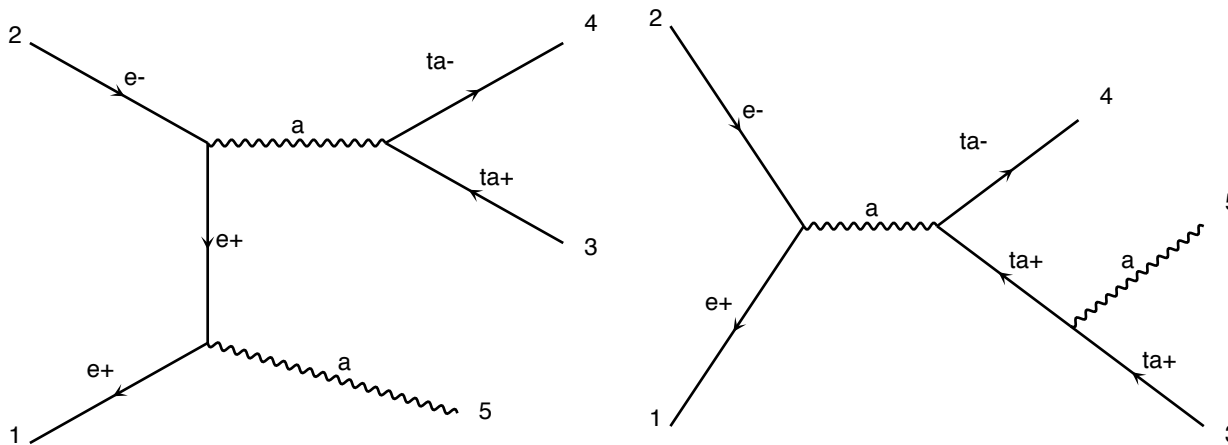
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Experimental strategy

Parent	Daughter	E_γ	δE_γ	$d\sigma_B/dE_\gamma$	N_B
$\Upsilon(3S)$	$\chi_{b0}(2P)$	122 MeV	0.24 MeV	36 fb/MeV	4320
$\Upsilon(3S)$	$\chi_{b0}(1P)$	484 MeV	1.3 MeV	8.8 fb/MeV	5720
$\Upsilon(2S)$	$\chi_{b0}(1P)$	163 MeV	1.3 MeV	30 fb/MeV	19500

- Tagging photon energies E_γ in the Υ center-of-mass frame
- Linewidth δE_γ of the photon peak is determined by χ_{b0} width
- Continuum $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\tau^+\tau^-$ background: differential cross section $d\sigma_B/dE_\gamma$ at E_γ computed using MadGraph (next slide)
- Ignoring reducible background $\Upsilon \rightarrow \gamma\chi_{b0}$, $\chi_{b0} \rightarrow$ not $\tau\tau$
- Number N_B of continuum background events in a window of width $2\delta E_\gamma$ centered at the photon peak in 250 fb^{-1} of e^+e^- luminosity at Υ resonance

Continuum (irreducible) background: $e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-\gamma$



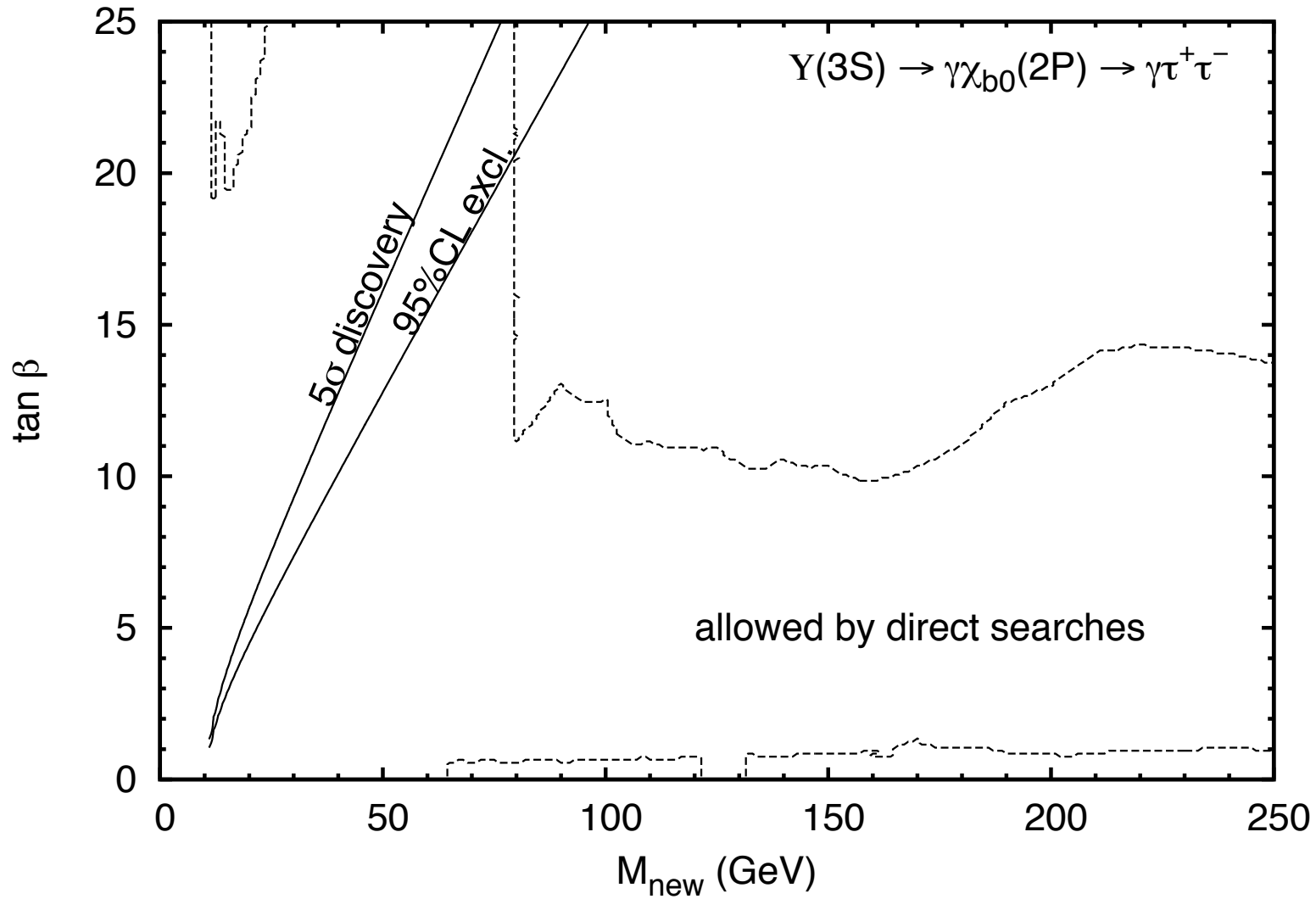
Used MadGraph5 to compute $d\sigma_B/dE_\gamma$ at photon energy E_γ in CM frame

Cuts: we required only $|\eta_\gamma| < 5$ in CM frame

Room for improvement:

- Signal and background have different τ angular distributions with respect to beam line
- Photon distribution relative to beam line and to τ^\pm directions also different
- τ polarization distributions also different

Results: $\Upsilon(3S)$

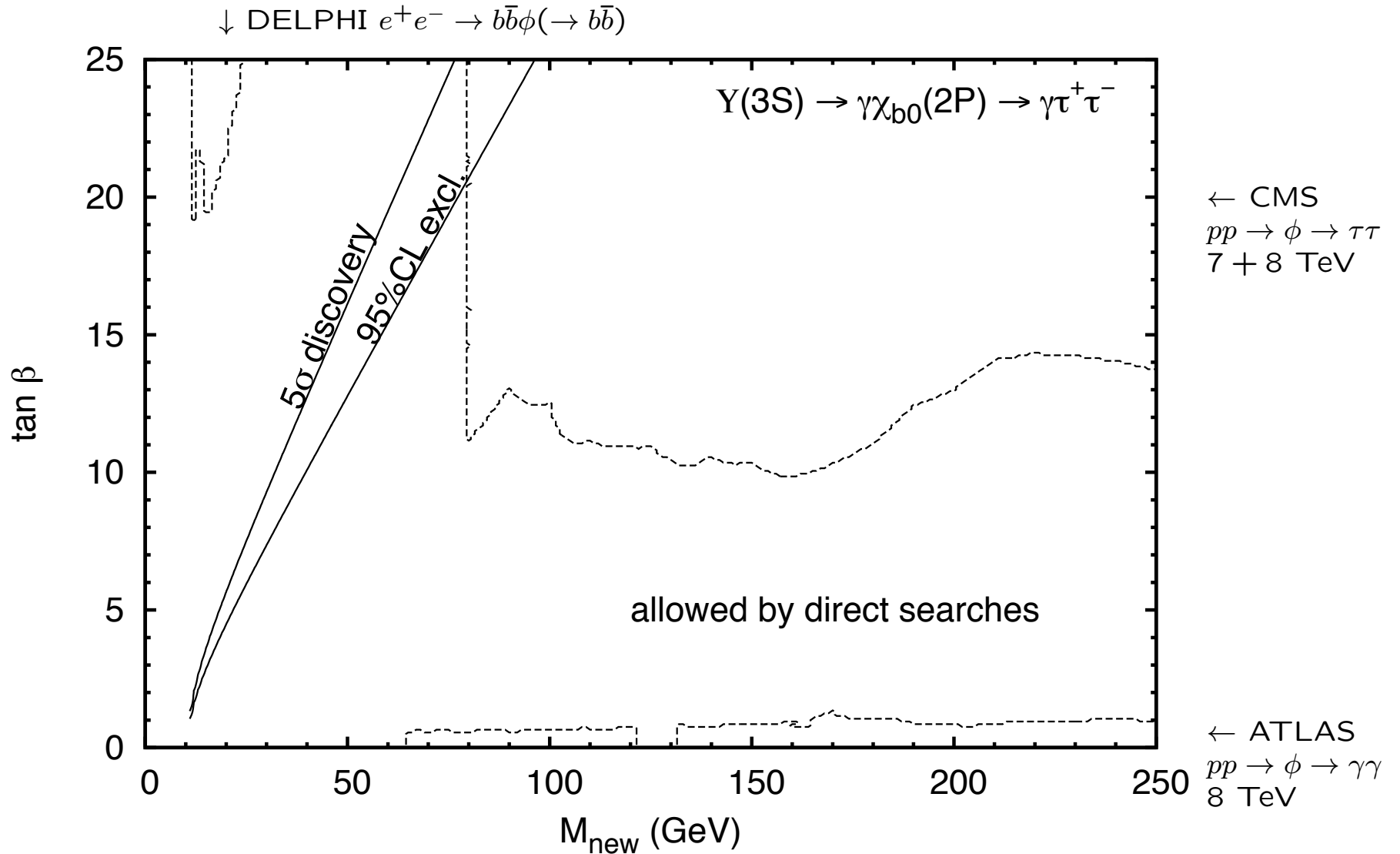


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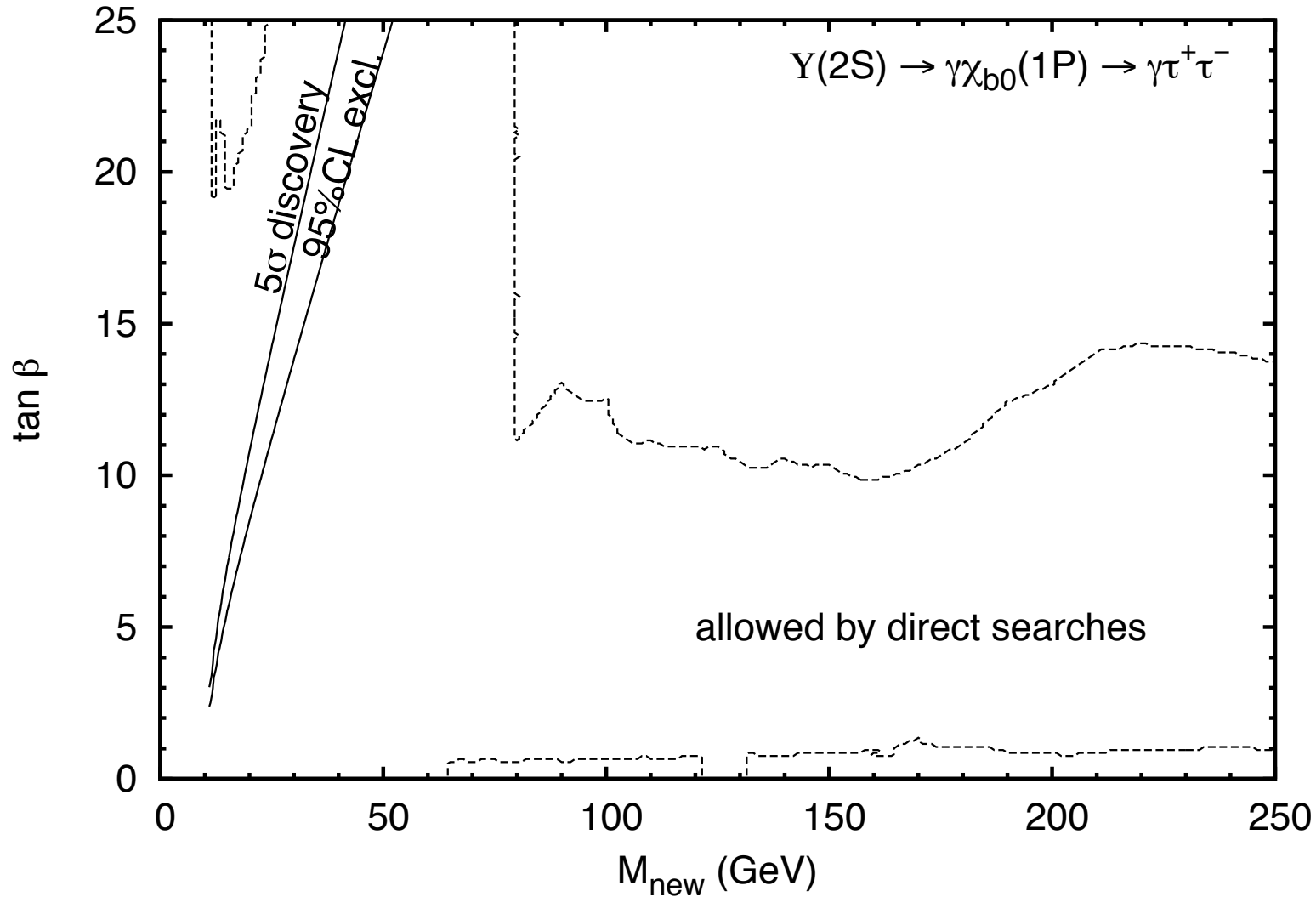


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Results: $\Upsilon(2S)$

worse sensitivity mainly due to larger $\chi_{b0}(1P)$ total width



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Summary

SuperKEKB/Belle-II offers high statistics sample of bottomonia

χ_{b0} is a CP-even neutral scalar: $\chi_{b0} \rightarrow \tau\tau$ sensitive to light CP-even neutral Higgs with enhanced $b\bar{b}$, $\tau\tau$ couplings

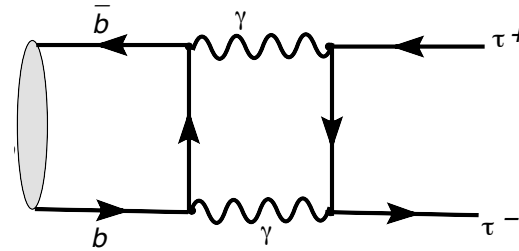
250 fb⁻¹ on the $\Upsilon(3S)$ can exclude $M_h \equiv M_{\text{new}} < 80$ GeV for $\tan\beta \geq 20$ [best signal is from $\chi_{b0}(2P)$]

250 fb⁻¹ on the $\Upsilon(2S)$ can exclude $M_h \equiv M_{\text{new}} < 40$ GeV for $\tan\beta \geq 20$ [forced to use $\chi_{b0}(1P)$: larger total width means smaller BR($\tau\tau$), more continuum background]

Prospects for improvement with smarter kinematic selection to suppress continuum $e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau\tau\gamma$ background

BACKUP

$\chi_{b0} \rightarrow \tau\tau$: 2-photon process



Rashed, Duraisamy & Datta, 1004.5419

Estimate using optical theorem:

$$\Gamma^{2\gamma}(\chi_{b0} \rightarrow \tau\tau) \simeq \frac{\alpha_{\text{em}}^2}{2\beta_\tau} \left[\frac{m_\tau}{M_{\chi_{b0}}} \ln \frac{(1 + \beta_\tau)}{(1 - \beta_\tau)} \right]^2 \Gamma(\chi_{b0} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$$

where

$$\Gamma(\chi_{b0} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) = \frac{4\pi\alpha_{\text{em}}^2}{81M_{\chi_{b0}}^3} f_{\chi_{b0}}^2 \quad \beta_\tau = \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_\tau^2}{M_{\chi_{b0}}^2}}$$

which gives

$$\text{BR}^{2\gamma}(\chi_{b0}(1P) \rightarrow \tau\tau) \simeq 1 \times 10^{-9}$$

$$\text{BR}^{2\gamma}(\chi_{b0}(2P) \rightarrow \tau\tau) \simeq 6 \times 10^{-9}$$

- 3000 \times bigger than SM Higgs exchange
- Still < 1 event in 250 fb^{-1}

Nonresonant signal $\Upsilon \rightarrow \gamma H_{\text{new}}^* \rightarrow \gamma \tau \tau$?

- Photon is not mono-energetic
- For $M_{H_{\text{new}}} \gg M_{\chi_{b0}}$, event rate is at most a few percent of our main resonant $\Upsilon \rightarrow \gamma \chi_{b0} \rightarrow \gamma \tau \tau$ signal

How to calculate, neglecting SM Higgs contribution:

$$\Gamma(\Upsilon \rightarrow \gamma H_{\text{new}}^* \rightarrow \gamma \tau \tau) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4m_\tau^2}^{M_\Upsilon^2} dQ^2 Q \frac{\Gamma(\Upsilon \rightarrow \gamma H_{\text{new}}^*) \Gamma(H_{\text{new}}^* \rightarrow \tau \tau)}{(Q^2 - M_{\text{new}}^2)^2 + M_{\text{new}}^2 \Gamma_{\text{new}}^2}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(\Upsilon \rightarrow \gamma H_{\text{new}}^*) &= \frac{(m_b \tan \beta)^2}{2\pi \alpha_{\text{em}} v^2} \left[1 - \frac{Q^2}{M_\Upsilon^2} \right] \Gamma(\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) \\ \Gamma(H_{\text{new}}^* \rightarrow \tau \tau) &= \frac{(m_\tau \tan \beta)^2 Q}{8\pi v^2} \left[1 - \frac{4m_\tau^2}{Q^2} \right]^{3/2} \end{aligned}$$

Integrate numerically over offshell H_{new} invariant mass Q .

- For $M_{H_{\text{new}}} \sim M_{\chi_{b0}}$, mixing will become important; we have not considered this
- $M_{H_{\text{new}}} < M_\Upsilon$ is excluded by on-shell $\Upsilon \rightarrow \gamma H_{\text{new}}$