

Meson Spectroscopy at BESIII

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UNIVERSITÄT MAINZ THE LOW-ENERGY FRONTIER
OF THE STANDARD MODEL

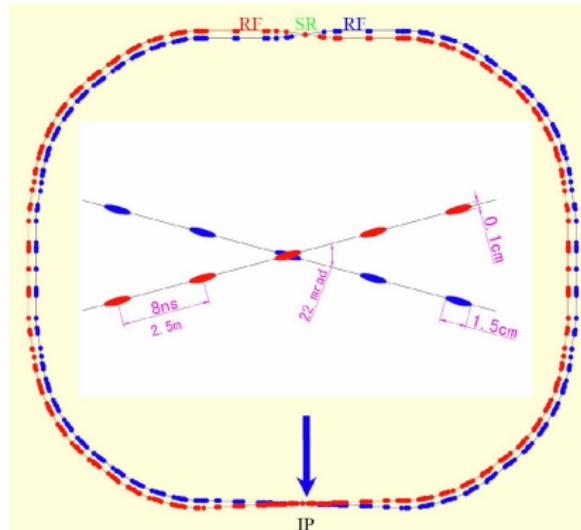


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BEPCII and BESIII



BEPCII storage rings: a τ -charm factory



Upgrade of BEPC (started 2004,
first collisions July 2008)

Beam energy 1 ... 2.3 GeV

Optimum energy 1.89 GeV

Single beam current 0.91 A

Crossing angle: ± 11 mrad

Design luminosity: $10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$

Achieved: $7 \times 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$

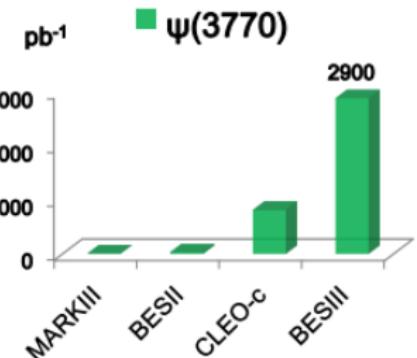
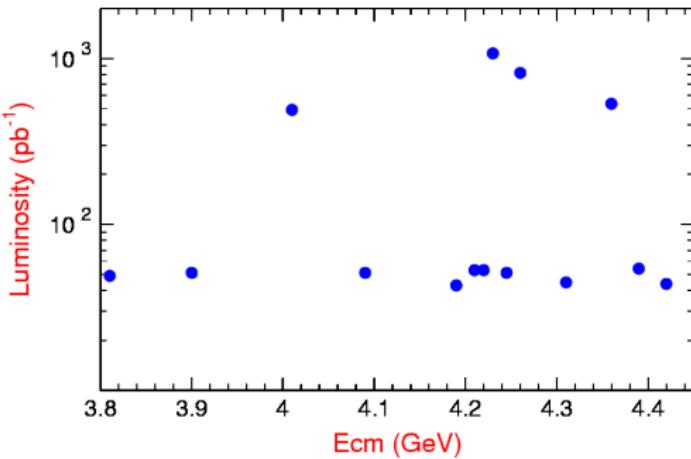
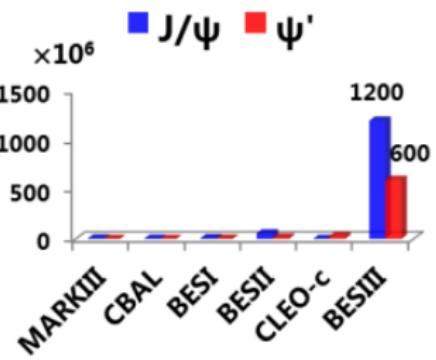
Beam energy measurement:

Laser compton backscattering

$$\Delta E/E \approx 5 \times 10^{-5}$$

(≈ 50 keV at τ threshold)

BESIII data sets



Direct production of 1^{--} states studied with world's largest scan dataset



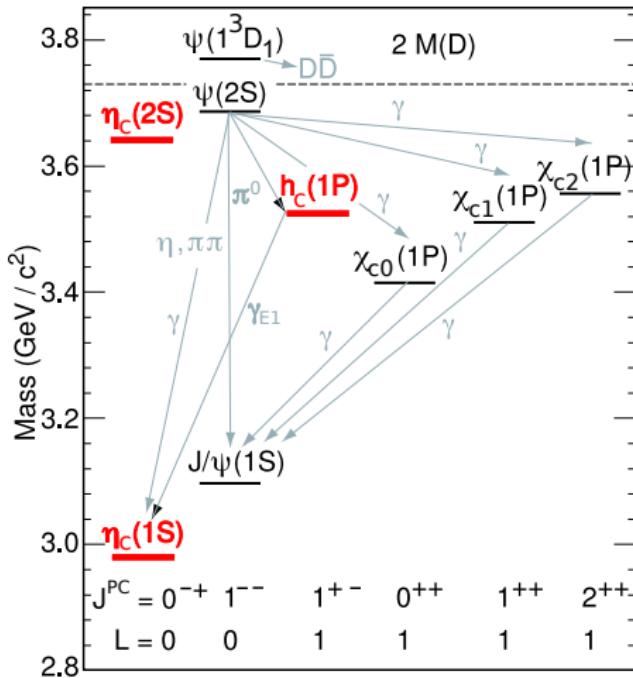
Charmonium states

Below threshold charmonium spectrum

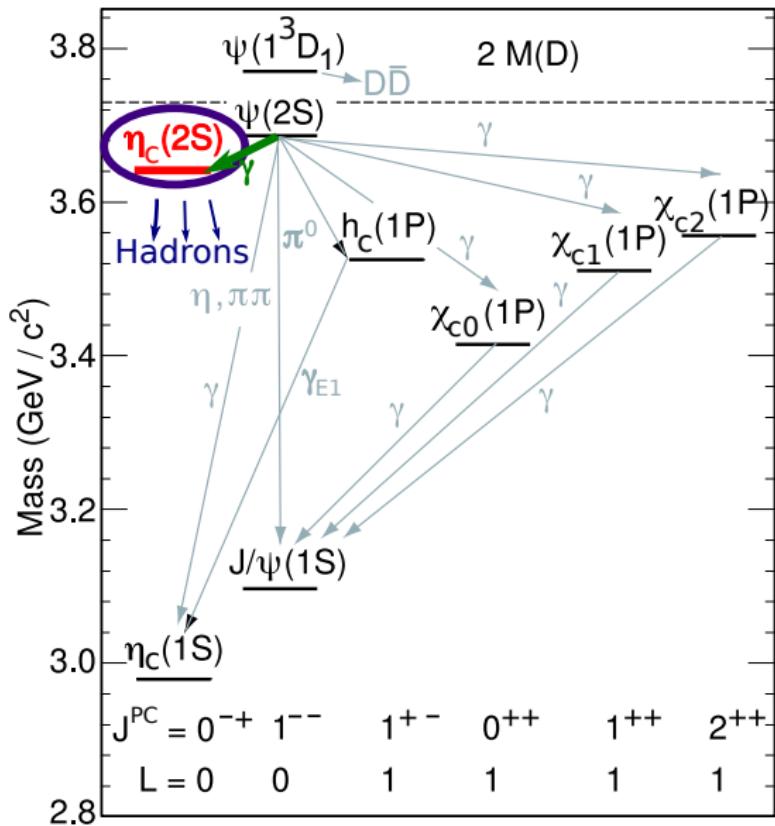
...all states established, but spin singlet states least well known:

$\eta_c(1S)$ mass, width measurements inconsistent

$\eta_c(2S)$, $h_c(1P)$ properties not well known



Observation of $\psi(3686) \rightarrow \gamma\eta_c(2S)$



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First seen in Crystal Ball at SLAC in recoil spectrum of $\psi(3686) \rightarrow \gamma X$,
using $1.8M \psi(3686)$, with $m = 3495 \pm 5 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ [Phys. Rev. Lett. 48, 70 \(1982\)](#)

Observed by Belle in $B^\pm \rightarrow K^\pm \eta_c(2S)$, $\eta_c(2S) \rightarrow K_s^0 K^\pm \pi^\mp$,
also seen by BABAR and CLEO in $\gamma\gamma$ production

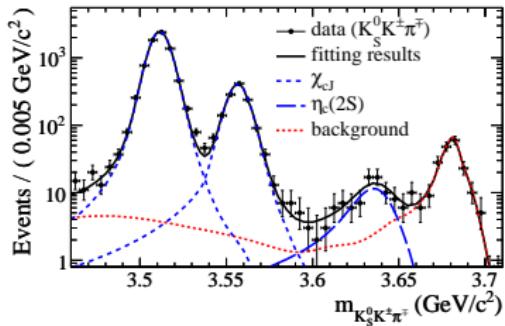
Experiment	Process	$m[\text{ MeV}/c^2]$	$\Gamma[\text{ MeV}]$
Belle	$B^\pm \rightarrow K^\pm \eta_c(2S) \rightarrow K^\pm K_s^0 K^\pm \pi^\mp$	$3654 \pm 6 \pm 8$	—
CLEO	$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \eta_c(2S) \rightarrow K_s^0 K^\pm \pi^\mp$	$3642.9 \pm 3.1 \pm 1.5$	$6.3 \pm 12.4 \pm 4.0$
BABAR	$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \eta_c(2S) \rightarrow K_s^0 K^\pm \pi^\mp$	$3630.8 \pm 3.4 \pm 1.0$	$17.0 \pm 8.3 \pm 2.5$
BABAR	$e^+e^- \rightarrow J/\psi c\bar{c}$	$3645.0 \pm 5.5^{+4.9}_{-7.8}$	—
PDG '12		3638.9 ± 1.3	10 ± 4

M1 transition $\psi(3686) \rightarrow \gamma\eta_c(2S)$ with exclusive reconstruction of
 $\eta_c(2S)$ not yet observed. Exploit factor 60 in statistics: 108 M $\psi(3686)$

Experimentally challenging: $E_\gamma \sim 50 \text{ MeV}$

$$\psi(3686) \rightarrow \gamma\eta_c(2S) \text{ with } \eta_c(2S) \rightarrow K_S^0 K \pi, K K \pi^0$$

BESIII, Phys. Rev. Lett. **109**, 042003 (2012)



Mass and width

Simultaneous fit yields:

$$m(\eta_c(2S)) = 3637.6 \pm 2.9 \pm 1.6 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\Gamma(\eta_c(2S)) = 16.9 \pm 6.4 \pm 4.8 \text{ MeV}$$

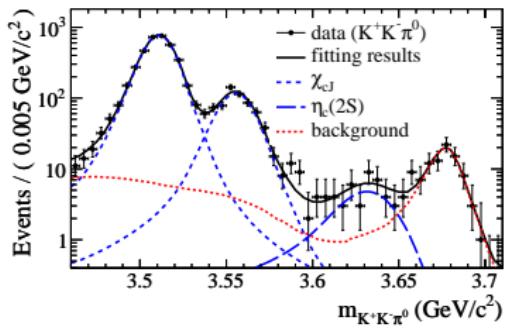
Combined significance $> 10\sigma$

Branching fraction

Using BABAR's

Phys. Rev. D **78**, 012006

$$\mathcal{B}(\eta_c(2S) \rightarrow K K \pi) = (1.9 \pm 0.4 \pm 1.1)\%$$



$$\mathcal{B}(\psi(3686) \rightarrow \gamma\eta_c(2S)) =$$

$$(6.8 \pm 1.1 \pm 4.5) \times 10^{-4}$$

cf. CLEO-c: $< 7.4 \times 10^{-4}$

Phys. Rev. D **81**, 052002

$h_c(1^1P_1)$

Spin singlet P wave ($S = 0, L = 1$)

Potential model:

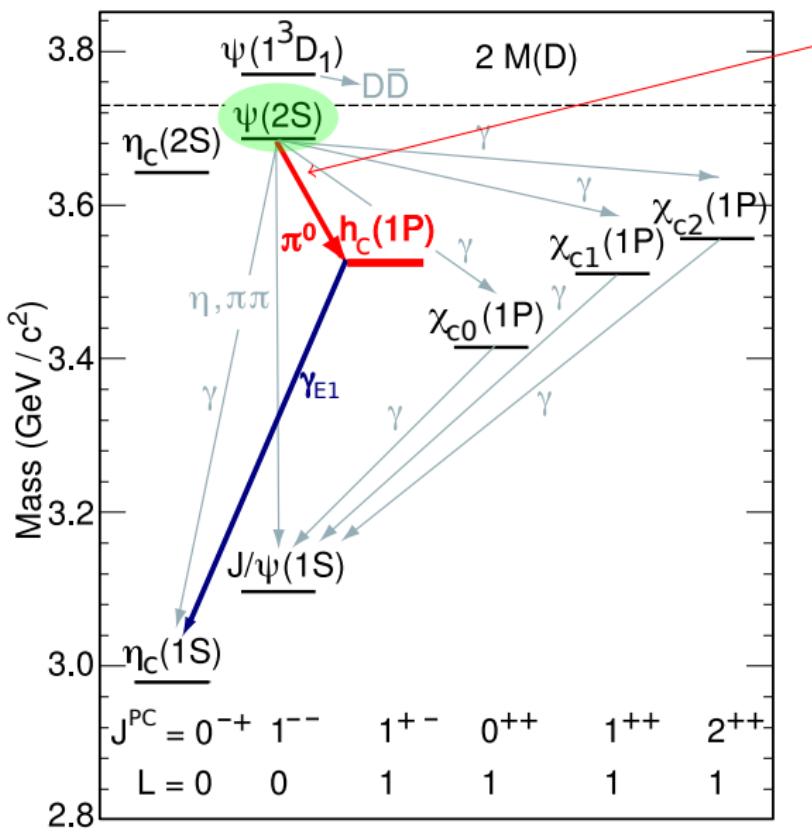
P wave hyperfine splitting non-zero if P -wave spin-spin interaction non-zero:

$$\Delta m_{hf}(1P) = m(1^1P_1) - \langle m(1^3P_J) \rangle \neq 0$$

$$\text{with } \langle m(1^3P_J) \rangle = \frac{1}{9} (m(\chi_{c0}) + 3m(\chi_{c1}) + 5m(\chi_{c2}))$$

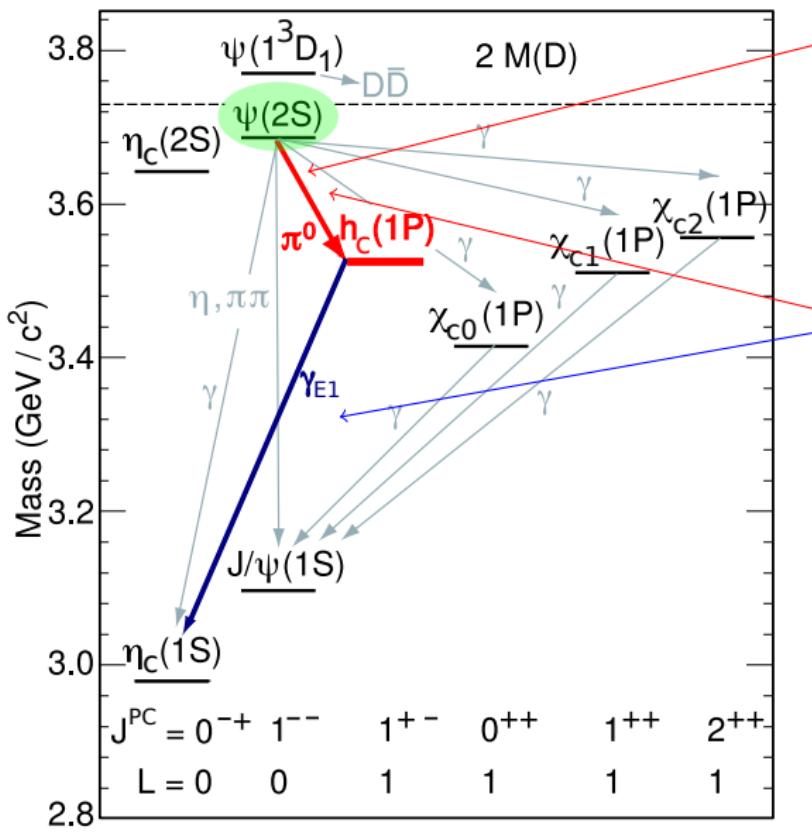
First observation by CLEO-c in $e^+e^- \rightarrow \psi(3686) \rightarrow \pi^0 h_c, h_c \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c$
 $\Delta m_{hf}(1P) = 0.08 \pm 0.18 \pm 0.12 \text{ MeV}/c^2$, consistent with zero HFS

h_c : Spin-singlet 1P_1 state



only detect π^0 : "inclusive"
compute m_{h_c} from kinematics
Rate $\propto \mathcal{B}(\psi(3686) \rightarrow \pi^0 h_c)$

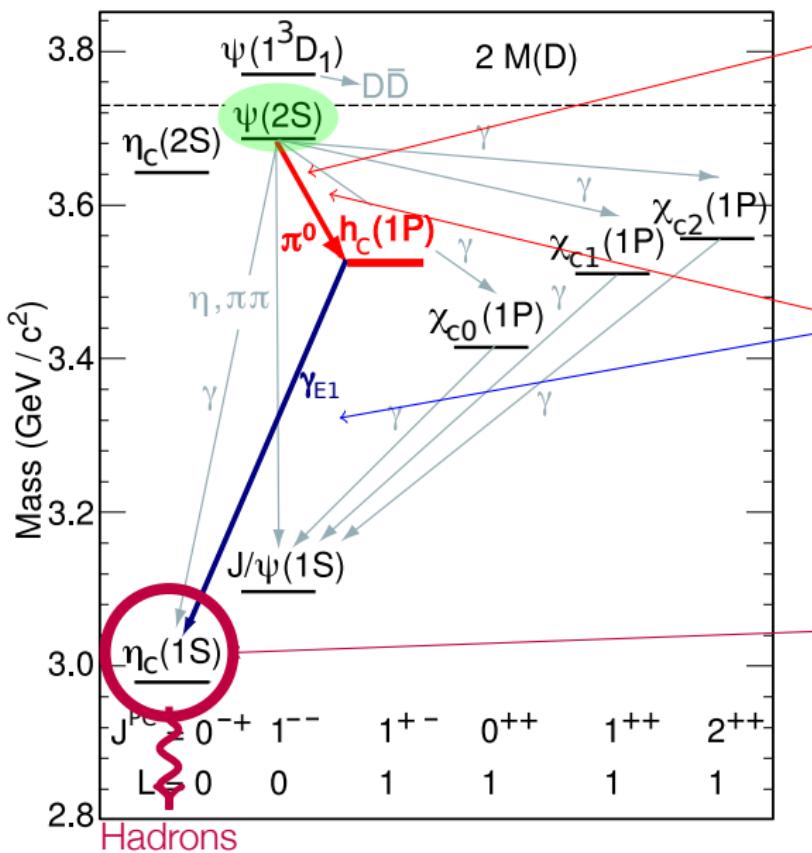
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Rate $\propto \mathcal{B}(\psi(3686) \rightarrow \pi^0 h_c) \times \mathcal{B}(h_c \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c)$

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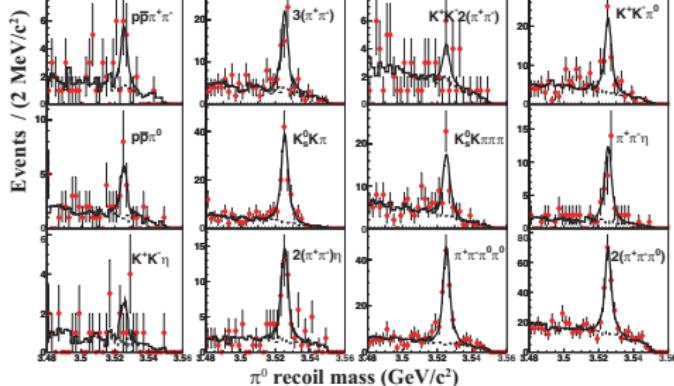
detect π^0 , γ and $\eta_c \rightarrow X$ decay products: "exclusive"
 m_{h_c} from 4C kin. fit

$$\text{Rate} \propto \mathcal{B}(\psi' \rightarrow \pi^0 h_c) \times \mathcal{B}(h_c \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c) \times \mathcal{B}(\eta_c \rightarrow X)$$

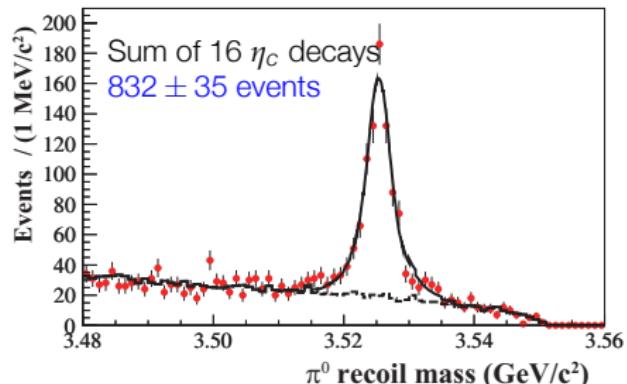
$\psi(3686) \rightarrow \pi^0 h_c, h_c \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c, \eta_c$ exclusive decays

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106M $\psi(3686)$ events



16 different η_c decay channels



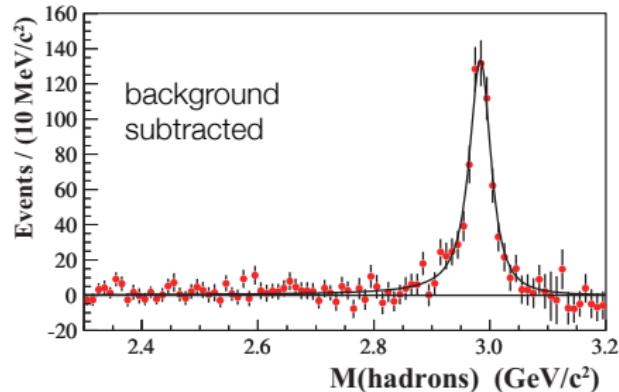
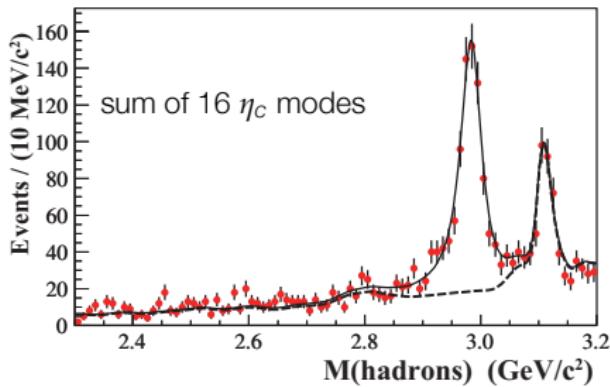
Simultaneous fit to π^0 recoil mass;
results consistent with E1-tagged BESIII Phys. Rev. Lett. **104**, 132002 (2010)

$$m = 3525.31 \pm 0.11 \pm 0.14 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\Gamma = 0.70 \pm 0.28 \pm 0.22 \text{ MeV}$$

η_c lineshape from $h_c \rightarrow \gamma\eta_c$

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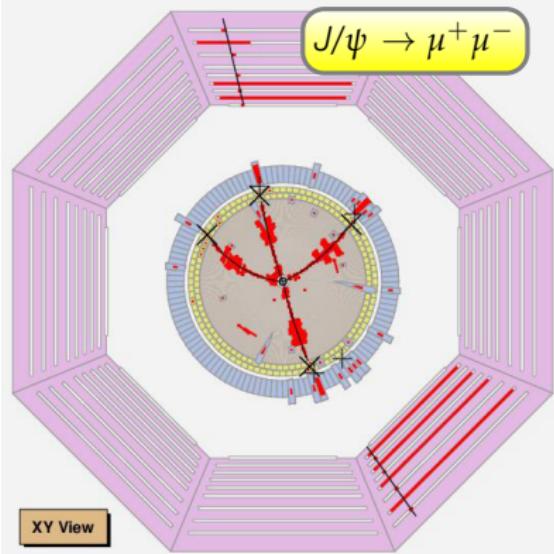
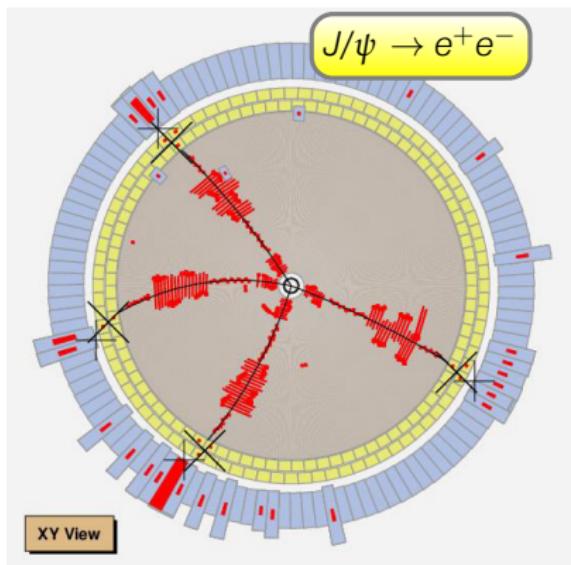
Use $\psi(3686) \rightarrow \pi^0 h_c \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \eta_c$ as source for η_c

η_c lineshape in these decays not as distorted as in $\psi(3686) \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c$;
smaller (non-existent?) non-resonant interfering contributions.

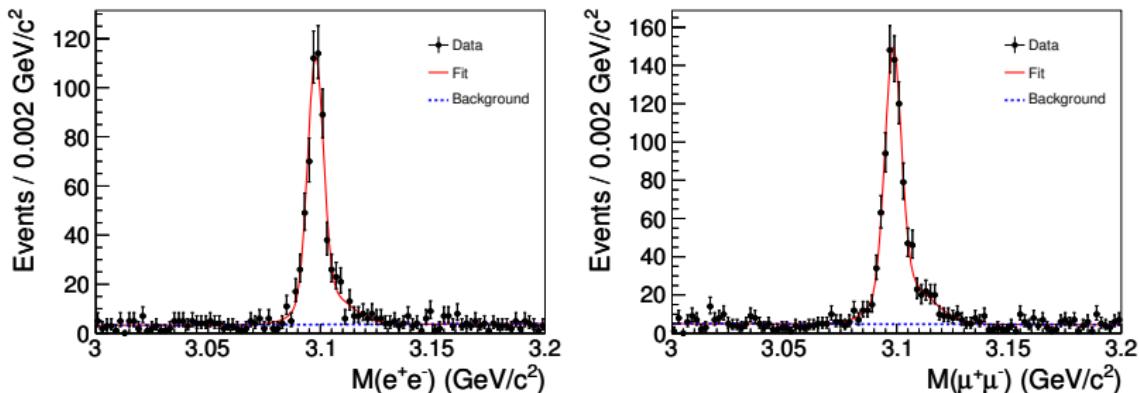
Eventually, best channel to determine η_c resonance parameters
(with enough statistics ...)



Exotic charmonium states



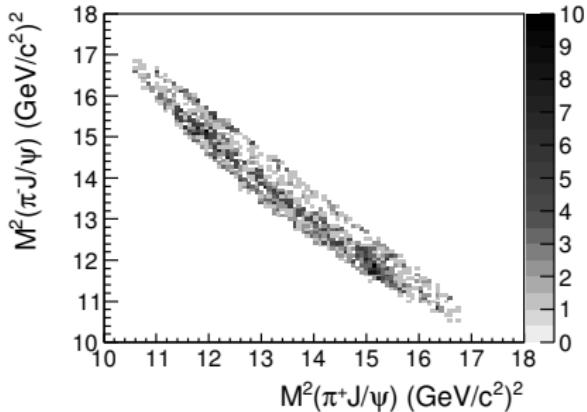
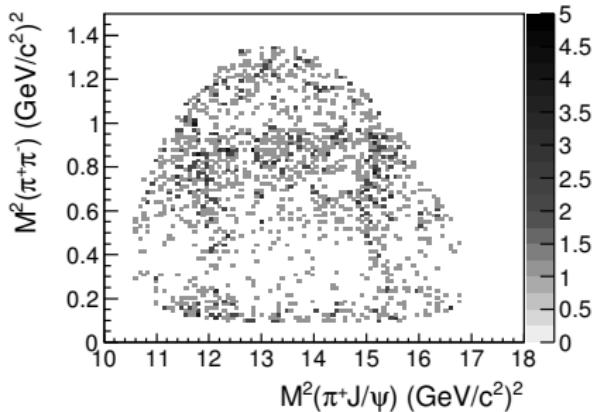
- Running at $\sqrt{s} = 4260$ MeV: simple and straightforward
- $J/\psi (\rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-)\pi^+\pi^-$: four charged tracks
- very clean sample, high efficiency, reliable MC simulation
- dominant background: continuum $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$



- Based on 525 pb^{-1} at 4.26 GeV collected between Dec 2012 and Jan 2013
- Peak position of $Y(4260) \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+\pi^-$ cross section
- $N(e^+e^-) = 595 \pm 28$, $N(\mu^+\mu^-) = 882 \pm 33$, purity $\approx 90\%$
- $\sigma^B(e^+e^- \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+\pi^-) = (62.9 \pm 1.9 \pm 3.7) \text{ pb}$
in good agreement with BABAR and Belle
- More data and more energy points being analysed

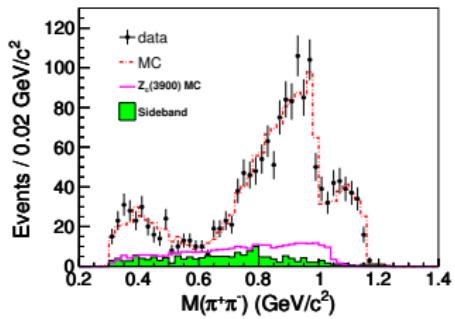
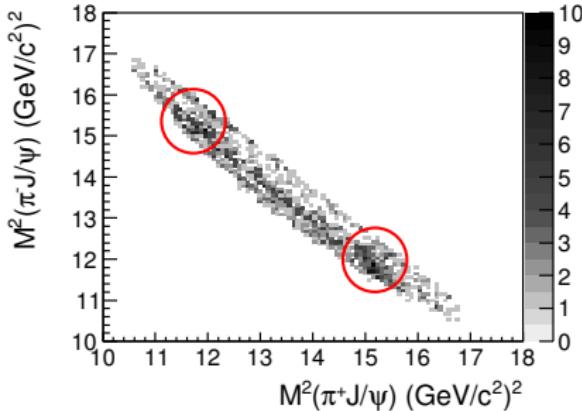
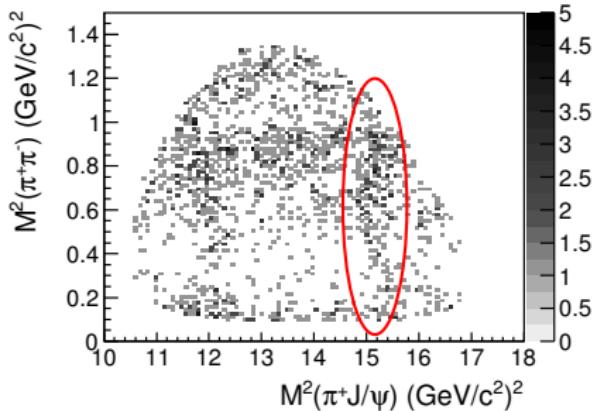
$J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$ Dalitz plot

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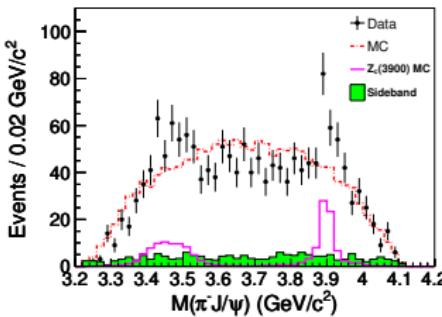
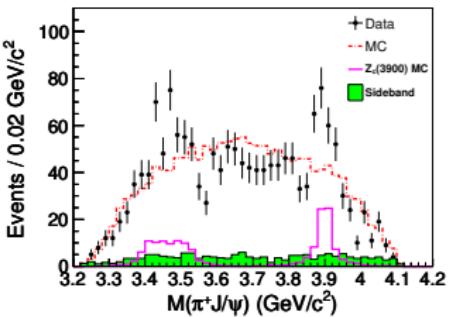
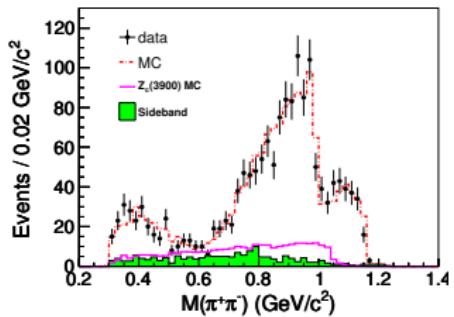
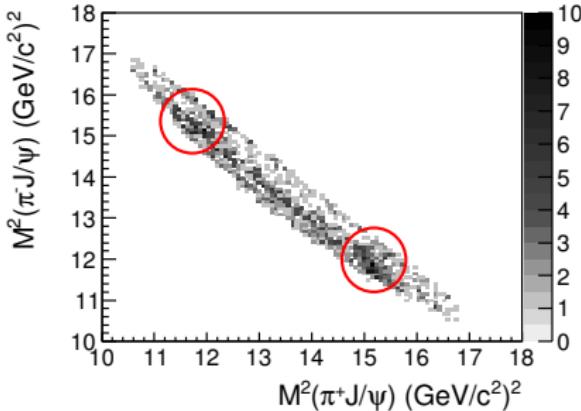
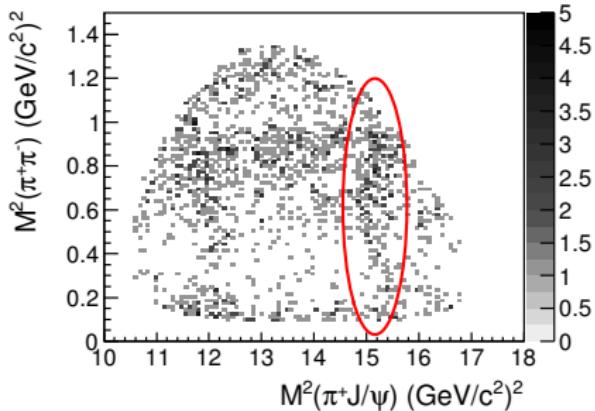
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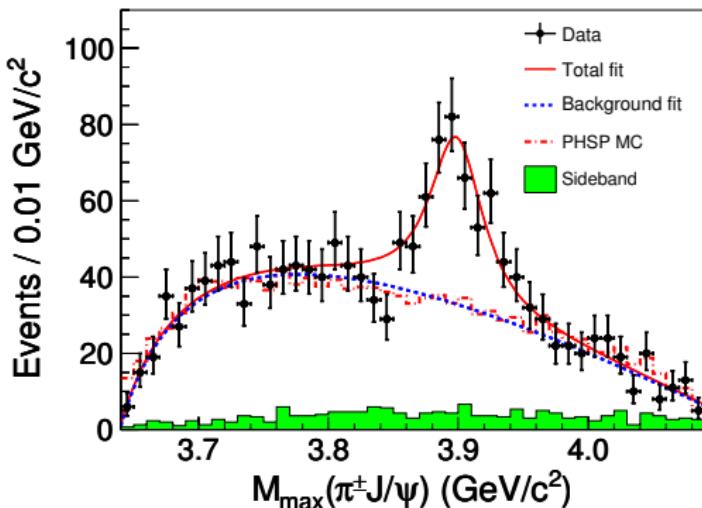


Model $\pi^+\pi^-$ -system with known structure:
 $f_0(500)$, $f_0(980)$, non-resonant
obtain good fit of $\pi^+\pi^-$ mass projection

$J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$ Dalitz plot

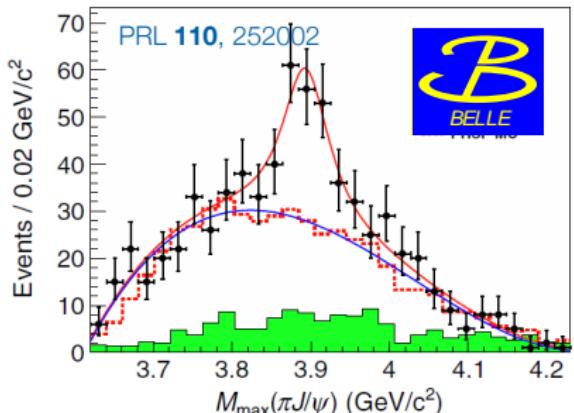
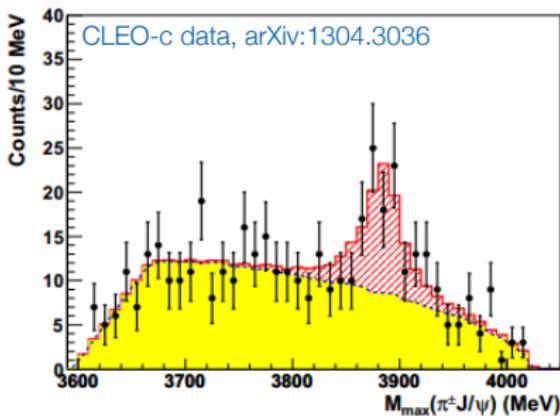
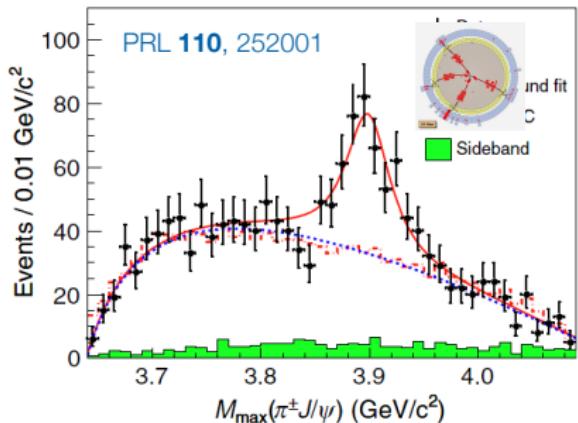
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- Fit $M_{\max}(J/\psi \pi^\pm) \Leftrightarrow$ fold Dalitz plot around diagonal
- 1D fit to extract resonance parameters,
S-wave Breit Wigner with phase space factor & efficiency corr.
- $M = (3899.0 \pm 3.6 \pm 4.9) \text{ MeV}$, $\Gamma = (46 \pm 10 \pm 20) \text{ MeV}$
- Significance $> 8\sigma$

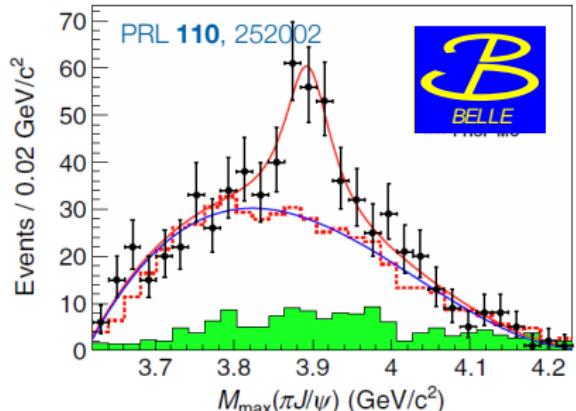
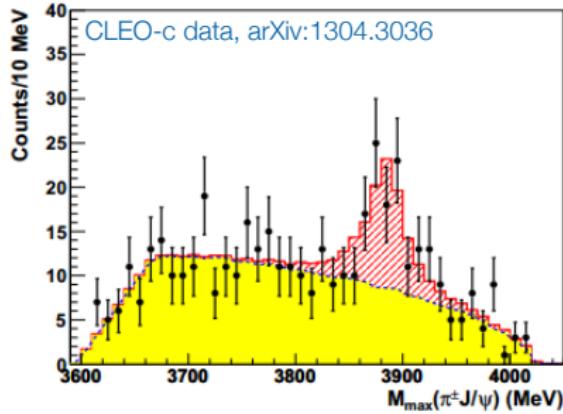
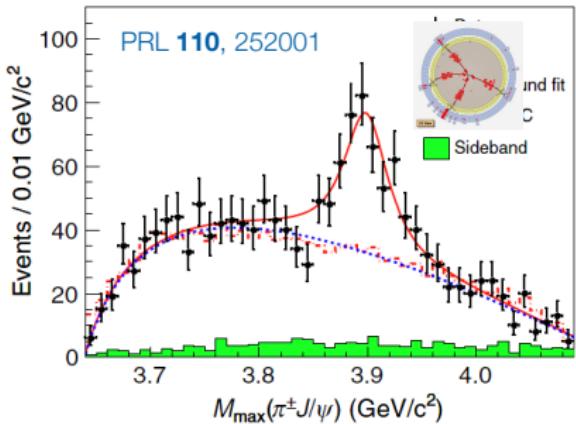
$Z_c(3900)^+$ in other datasets?



	m / MeV	Γ / MeV
BESIII	$3899.0 \pm 3.6 \pm 4.9$	$46 \pm 10 \pm 20$
Belle	$3894.5 \pm 6.6 \pm 4.5$	$63 \pm 24 \pm 26$
CLEOc	$3885 \pm 5 \pm 1$	$34 \pm 12 \pm 4$

Belle: $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma_{\text{ISR}} \text{J}/\psi \pi^+\pi^-$,
in $\text{Y}(4260)$ region
CLEOc data: $\sqrt{s} = 4.170 \text{ GeV}$

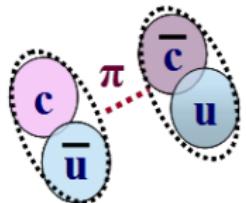
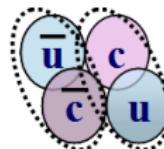
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- $Z_c(3900)^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+$ seen at BESIII, Belle, and with CLEO-c data
- Masses and widths compatible within uncertainties

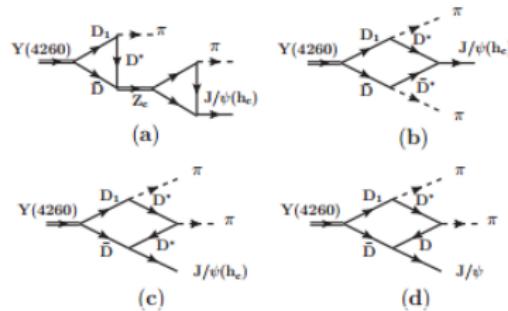
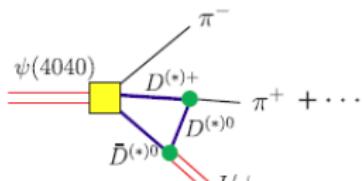
Nature of the $Z_c(3900)^+$?

- Mass close to $D\bar{D}^*$ threshold
- Couples to $c\bar{c}$
- Has electric charge
- If new particle: contains at least 4 quarks

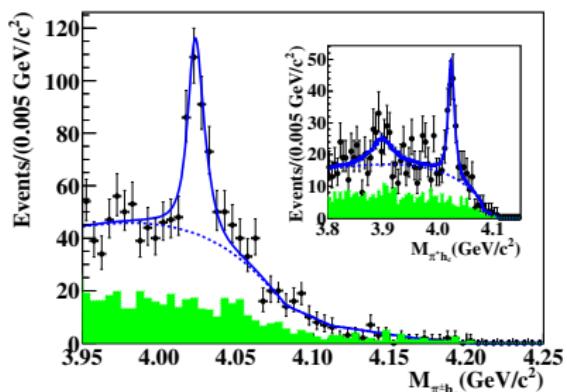


So, what is it?

- Tetraquark [L. Maiani, A. Ali et al.](#)
- Hadronic molecule [U.-G. Meissner, F.K. Guo et al.](#)
- Hadro-charmonium [M. B. Voloshin](#)
- Meson loop [Q. Zhao et al.](#)
- ISPE model [X. Liu et al.](#)
- ...



- Using data taken at 4.23 GeV, 4.26 GeV, and 4.36 GeV (total 2.4 fb^{-1})
- Reconstruct $h_c \rightarrow \gamma\eta_c$ with $\eta_c \rightarrow 16$ exclusive hadronic final states
- See structure in $h_c\pi^\pm$ spectrum, close to $D^*\bar{D}^*$ threshold:



$$m(Z_c(4020)) = 4022.9 \pm 0.8 \pm 2.7 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$
$$\Gamma(Z_c(4020)) = 7.9 \pm 2.7 \pm 2.6 \text{ MeV}$$

No significant signal $Z_c(3900) \rightarrow h_c\pi^+$ seen (significance $\sim 2\sigma$)

Summary

- BES-III successfully taking data since 2008
world's largest data samples at J/ψ , $\psi(3686)$, $\psi(3770)$, $\psi(4040)$,
large dataset above 4 GeV for XYZ studies

■ Charmonium transitions

first observation of $\psi(3686) \rightarrow \gamma\eta_c(2S)$
fully reconstructed $h_c \rightarrow \gamma\eta_c$

■ Exotic charmonium-like states

Discovery of two states with charge which couple to charmonium:
 $Z_c(3900) \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+$, $Z_c(4020) \rightarrow h_c\pi^+$

Close to thresholds?

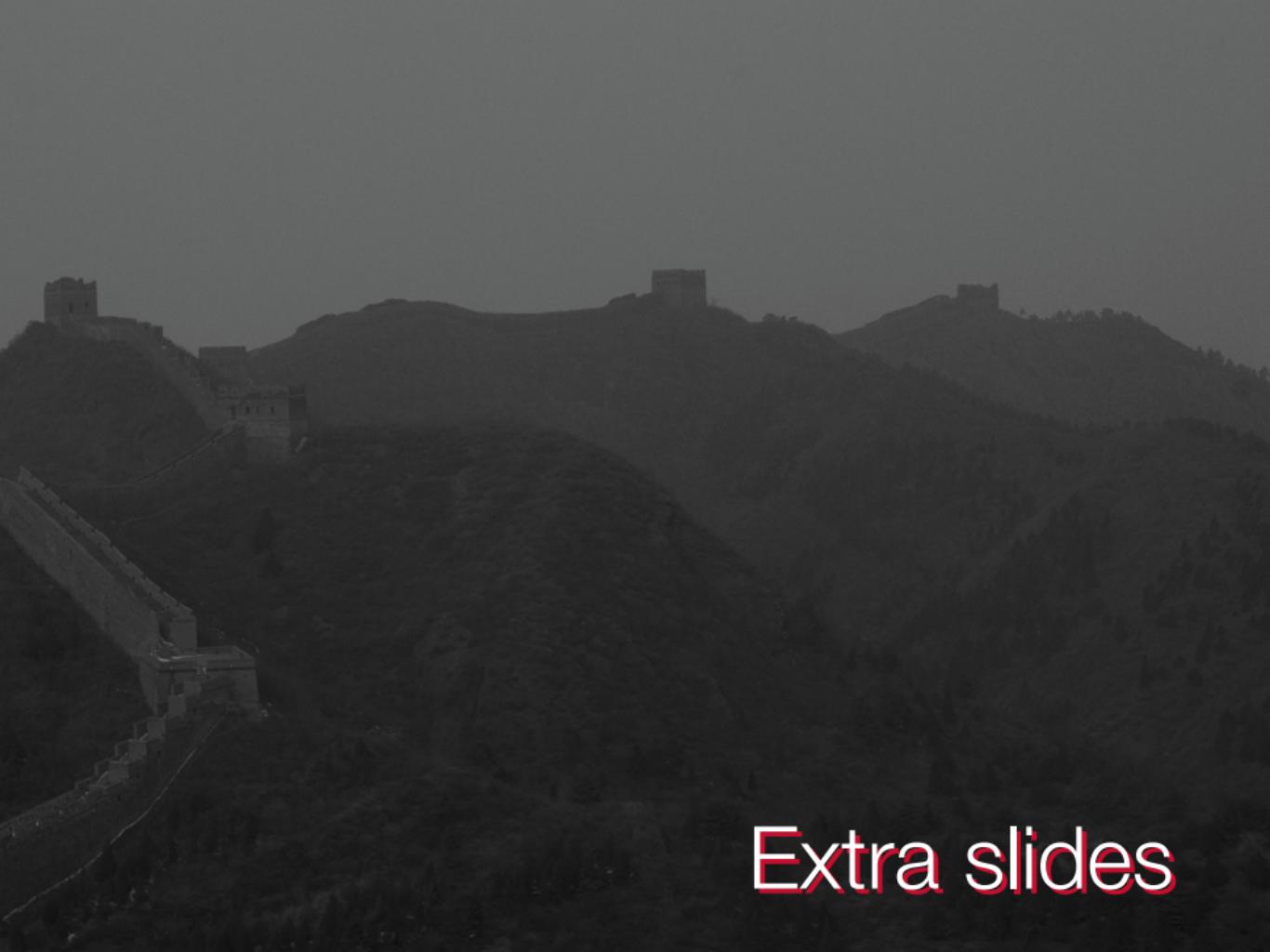
Neutral partners?

Other decay modes (e.g. DD^* , D^*D^*)? [\[see talk on Friday\]](#)

More data will be taken

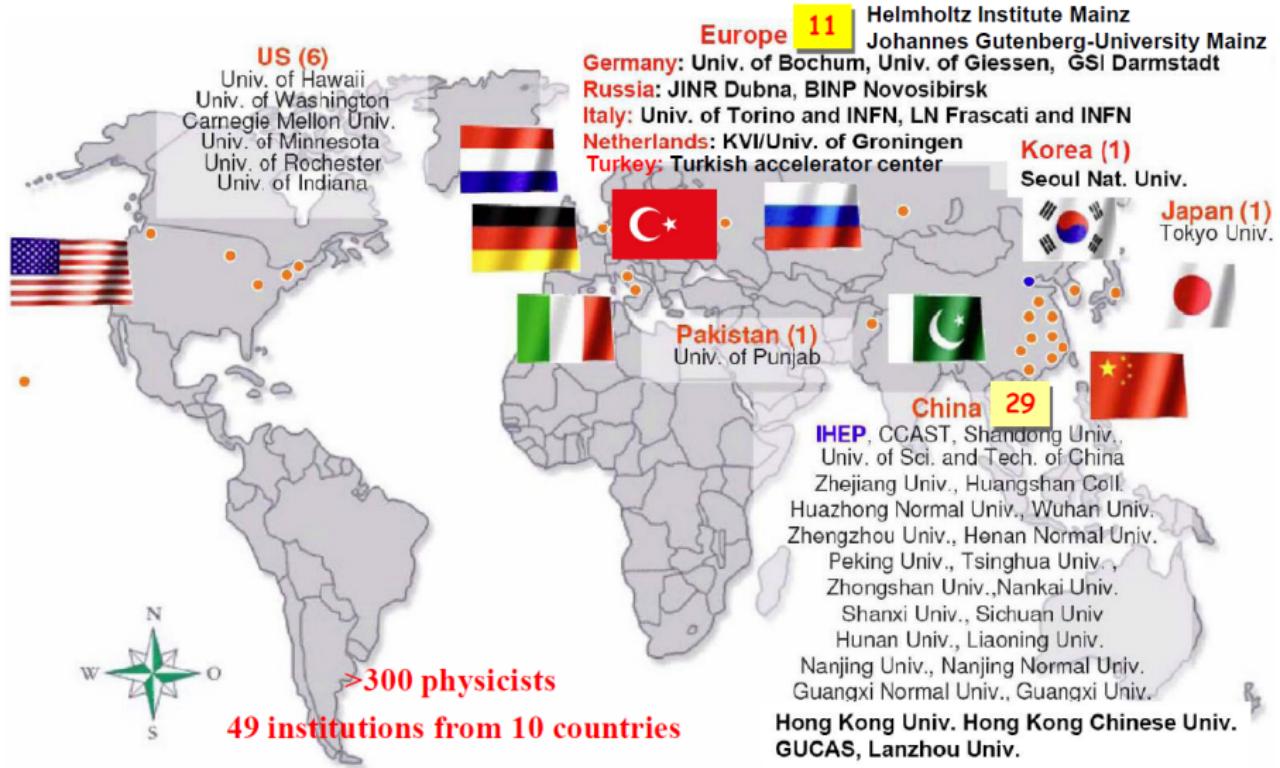
■ Interesting times ahead

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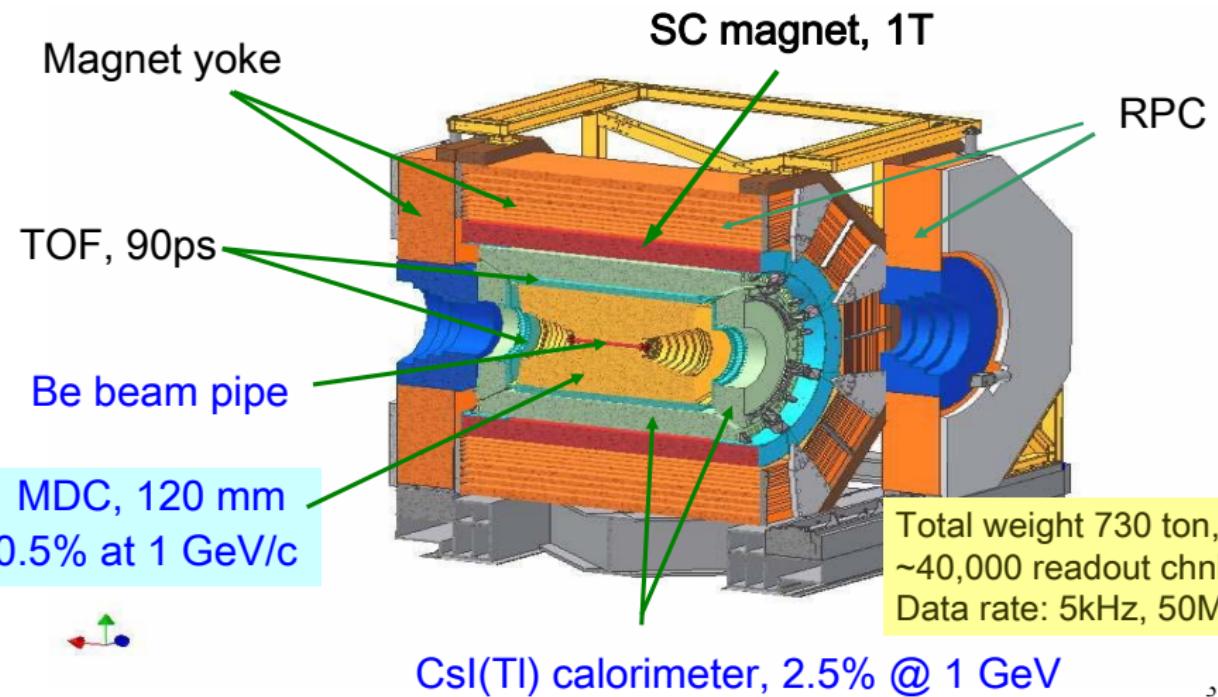
The background of the image is a dark, moody photograph of the Great Wall of China. The wall, made of light-colored stone, cuts through the center of the frame, curving from the bottom left towards the top right. It is set against a backdrop of dark, silhouetted mountains and a hazy sky, creating a sense of mystery and history.

Extra slides

The BESIII Collaboration



BESIII detector



Comparable performance to CLEO-c, + muon ID

BESIII detector

