


Latest Results from BESIII

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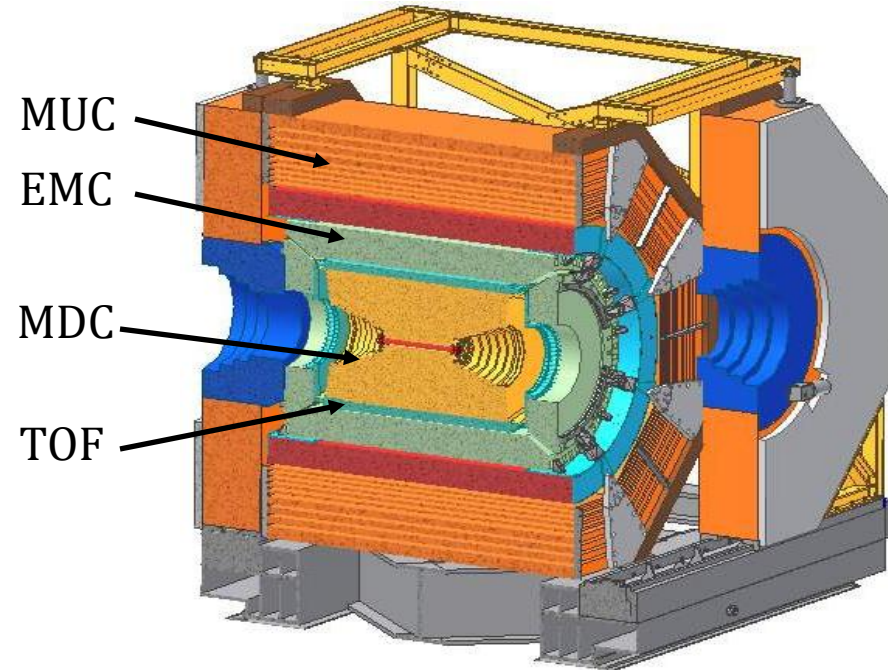
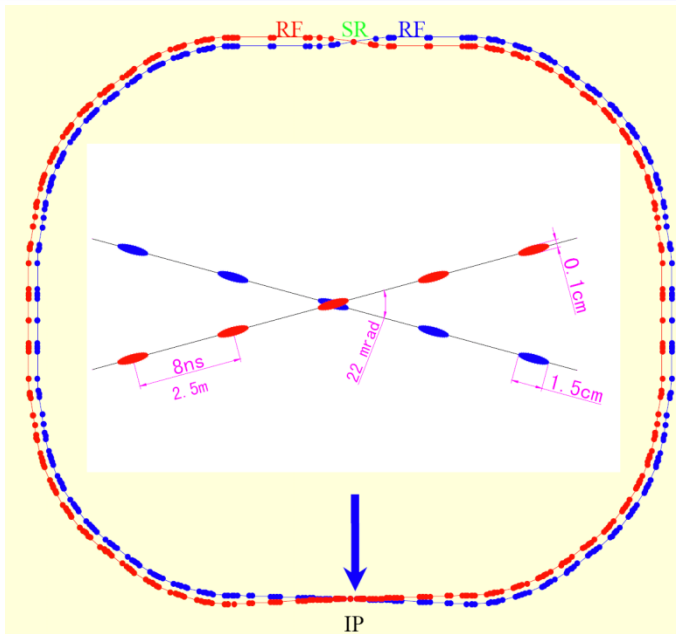
Outline

- Introduction
- Selected recent results
 - Charmonium transitions and decays
 - “Exotic” charmonium states
 - Excited baryon program  For details, see Wenlong’s talk @ parallel B5
- Summary and Outlook

BEPCII -- A High Luminosity Double-ring Collider



BEPCII and BESIII Detector



BEPCII:

- \sqrt{s} : 2.0-4.6 GeV

- Luminosity:

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

Achieved: $\sim 7.08 \times 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$

BESIII:

- MDC: $\sigma_p/p = 0.5\% @ 1\text{GeV}/c$
- EMC: $\sigma_E/E = 2.5\%$ at 1GeV
- TOF: 80ps(barrel), 110ps(endcap)
- MUC: 9 layers RPC for barrel, 8 for endcap

BESIII Collaboration

Political Map of the World, June 1999



USA (6)

- Univ. of Hawaii
- Univ. of Washington
- Carnegie Mellon Univ.
- Univ. of Minnesota
- Univ. of Rochester
- Univ. of Indiana

Europe (12)

- Germany:** Univ. of Bochum, Univ. of Giessen, GSI, Univ. of Johannes Gutenberg, Helmholtz Ins. In Mainz
- Russia:** JINR Dubna; BINP Novosibirsk
- Italy:** Univ. of Torino, Frascati Lab
- Netherland:** KVI/Univ. of Groningen
- Sweden:** Uppsala Univ.
- Turkey:** Turkey Accelerator Center

Korea (1)

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Japan (1)

Tokyo Univ.

Pakistan (2)

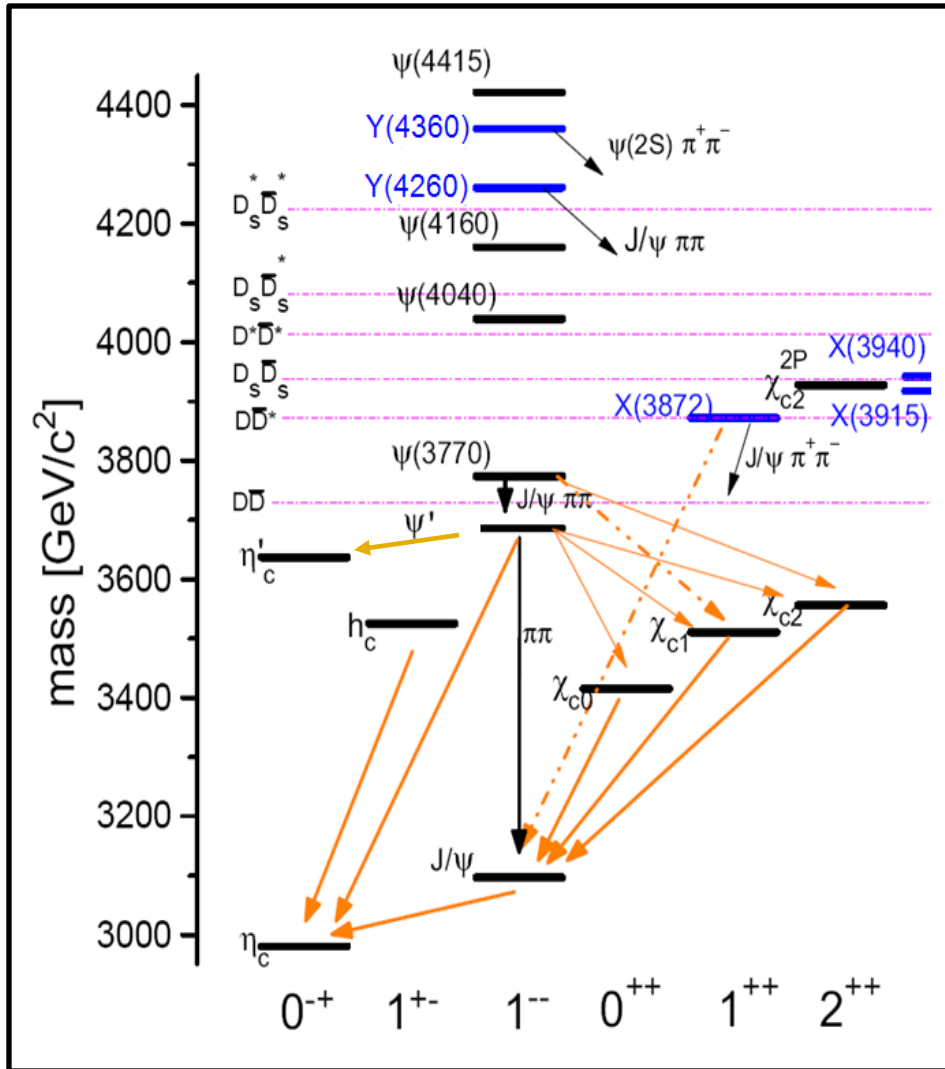
- Univ. of Punjab
- COMSAT CIIT

China(28)

- IHEP, CCAST, GUCAS, Shandong Univ., Univ. of Sci. and Tech. of China
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- Huazhong Normal Univ., Wuhan Univ.
- Zhengzhou Univ., Henan Normal Univ.
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- Hunan Univ., Liaoning Univ.
- Nanjing Univ., Nanjing Normal Univ.
- Guangxi Normal Univ., Guangxi Univ.
- Suzhou Univ., Hangzhou Normal Univ.
- Lanzhou Univ., Henan Sci. and Tech. Univ.
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~360 members
50 institutions from 11 countries

Physics in the Charm Region



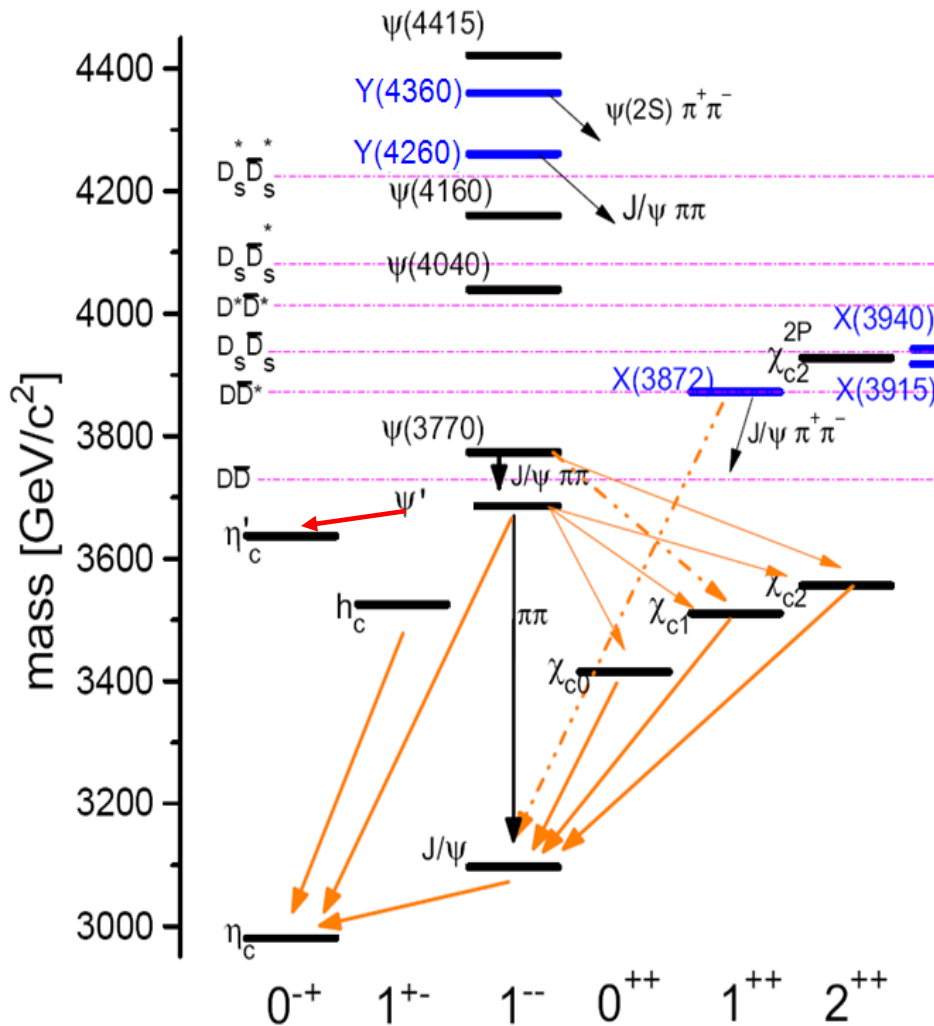
- Charmonium physics:
 - **Spectroscopy, transitions, decays**
 - **"Exotic" charmonium states**
- Light hadron physics: (using charmonium as source to produce light hadrons)
 - meson & **baryon spectroscopy**
 - glueball & hybrid
- Open Charm physics:
- QCD & Tau physics:
- ...

BESIII Data Samples

| Energy | Topics (Highlight) | Analyzed | Collected |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| J/ψ | light hadron | 225M decays | 1.2B decays |
| Ψ' | charmonium, light hadron | 106M decays | 600M decays |
| $\Psi(3770)$ | open charm | 2.9 fb^{-1} | |
| $E_{\text{cm}} = 4010\text{MeV}$ | Exotic charmonium states | 482pb^{-1} | |
| $E_{\text{cm}} = 4260\text{MeV}$ | Exotic charmonium states | 525pb^{-1} | 2fb^{-1} (ongoing) |
| $E_{\text{cm}} = 4360\text{MeV}$ | Exotic charmonium states | | 520pb^{-1} |

* Other energy points for line scan studies, etc.

Charmonium Transitions and Decays



- EM transitions and decays: clean, relatively simple.

- potential models
- lattice QCD calculations
- EFT

$$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c'$$

$$J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma \gamma \gamma$$

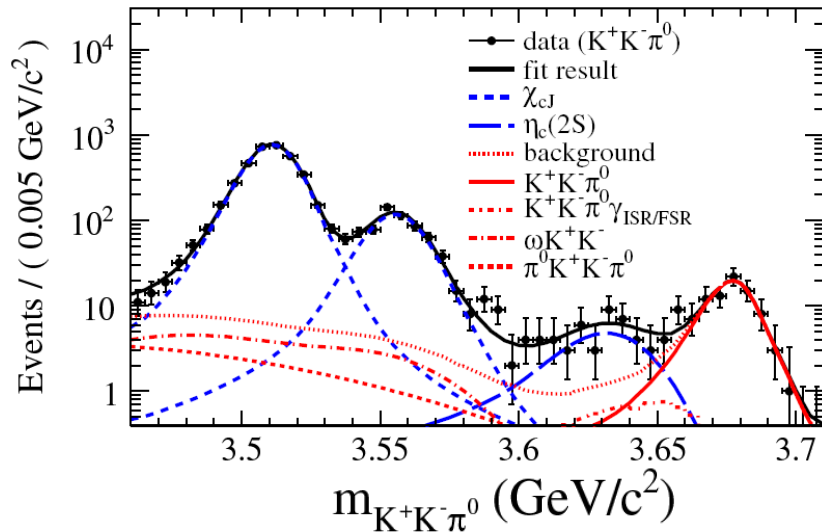
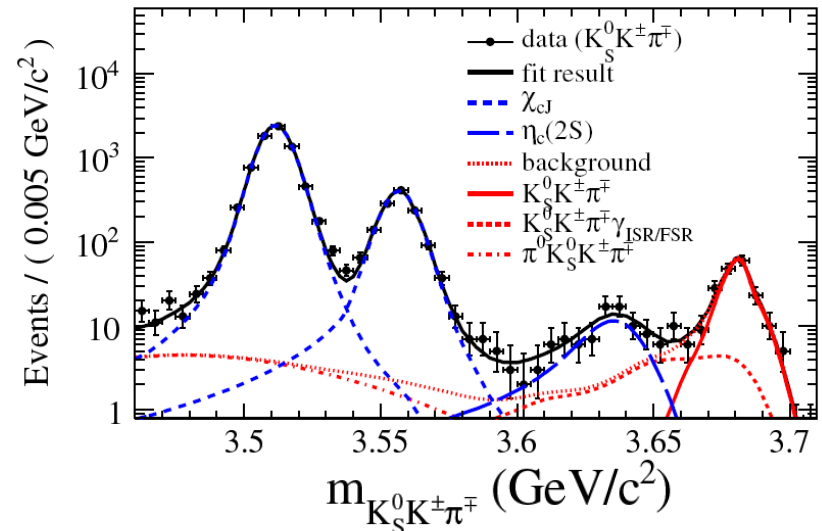
- Baryon-involving decays

- test pQCD
 - helicity selection rules(HSR)
- $$\eta_c \rightarrow \text{Baryon} + \text{anti-Baryon}$$

First Observation of $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c'$

- Magnetic dipole transition, $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c'$
 - $\eta_c' \rightarrow K_s K \pi / K^+ K^- \pi^0$
- $E_\gamma \sim 50$ MeV: high background
 - data driven technique
- Combined significance: $> 10\sigma$
- Measure: $B(\psi' \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c') * B(\eta_c' \rightarrow \bar{K} K \pi)$
 $= (2.98 \pm 0.57 \pm 0.48) * 10^{-6}$
- Combined with BaBar measurement of $B(\eta_c' \rightarrow K K \pi)$ to obtain:
 $B(\psi' \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c') = (6.8 \pm 1.1 \pm 4.5) * 10^{-4}$
- Consistent with potential model prediction: $(0.1-6.2) * 10^{-4}$ [1]

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$J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma \gamma \gamma$

- Test of non-perturbative QCD with first order corrections

$$\mathcal{R} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow 3\gamma)}{\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow e^+e^-)} = \frac{64(\pi^2 - 9)}{243\pi} \alpha \left(1 - 7.3 \frac{\alpha_s(r)}{\pi} \right)$$

$$\alpha_s \sim 0.19 : \mathcal{R} \sim 3.0 * 10^{-4}$$

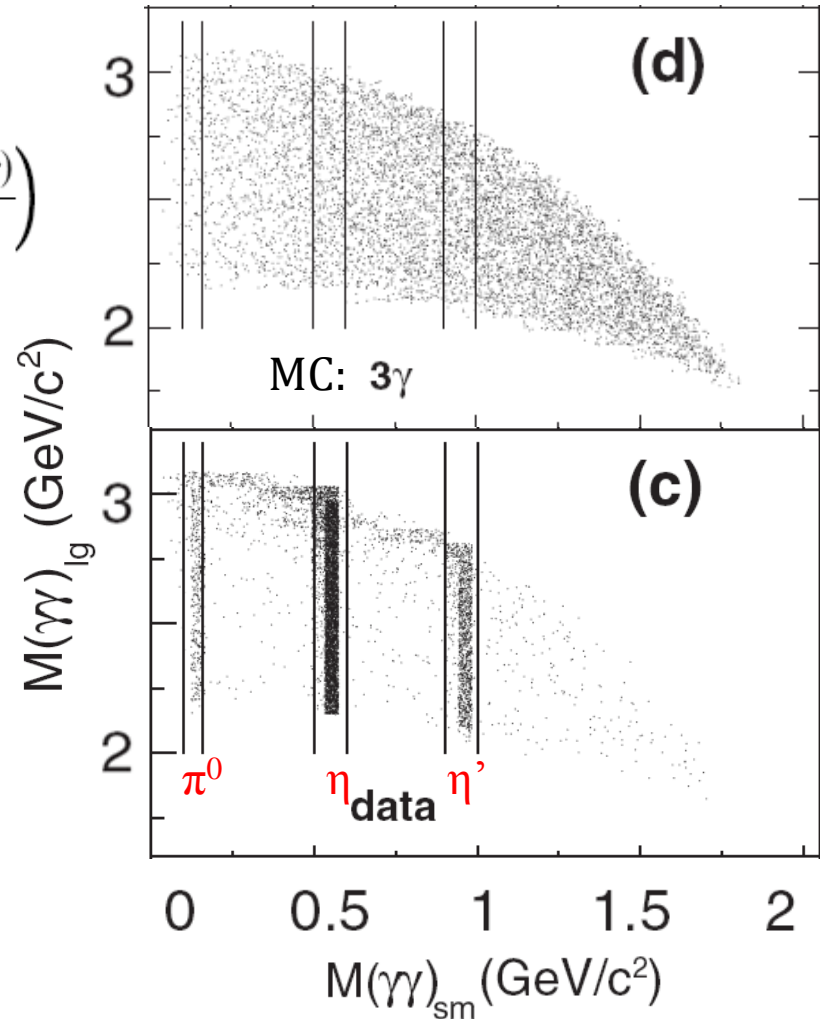
- Suppress EM bkg. by using J/ψ from ψ'

$$\text{Measure: } \mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\gamma) = (11.3 \pm 1.8 \pm 2.0) * 10^{-6}$$

- BESIII + CLEOc: $\mathcal{R} = (1.95 \pm 0.37) * 10^{-4}$
- Need radiative and relativistic correction
- Evidence for $\eta_c \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$; complementary to two-photon fusion measurements

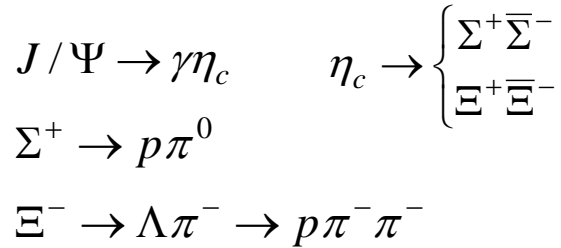
$$\mathcal{B}(\eta_c \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) = (2.6 \pm 0.7 \pm 0.7) * 10^{-4}$$

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$\eta_c \rightarrow \text{Baryon} + \text{anti-Baryon}$

- HSR prohibition
- Charmed-meson loop model explains $\eta_c \rightarrow p\bar{p}, \Lambda\bar{\Lambda}$



- Measurements:

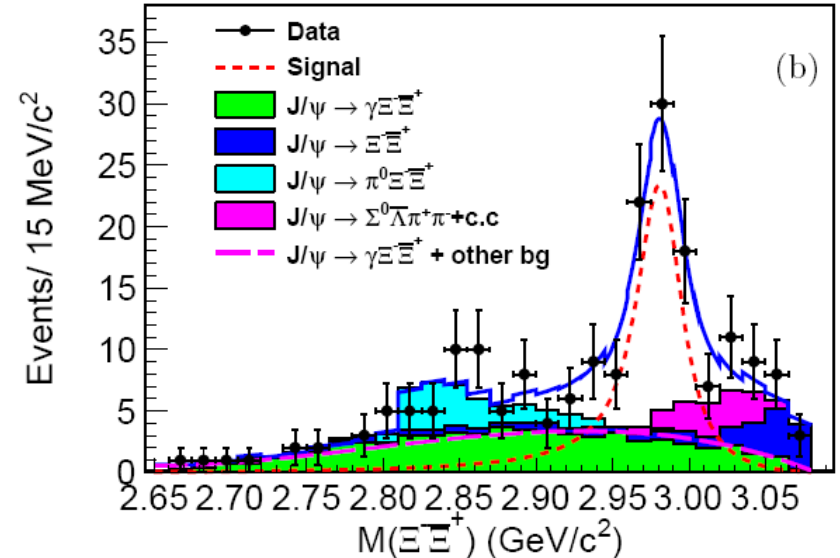
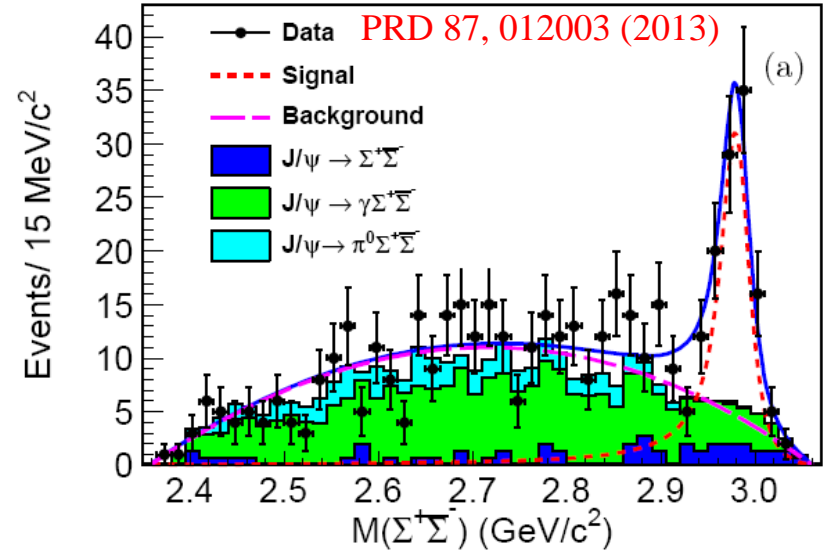
$$Br(\eta_c \rightarrow \Sigma^+\bar{\Sigma}^-) = (2.11 \pm 0.28 \pm 0.18 \pm 0.50) \times 10^{-3}$$

$$Br(\eta_c \rightarrow \Xi^+\bar{\Xi}^-) = (0.89 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.21) \times 10^{-3}$$

- Charmed-meson loop prediction:

$$Br(\eta_c \rightarrow \Sigma^+\bar{\Sigma}^-) = (0.51 - 1.00) \times 10^{-3}$$

$$Br(\eta_c \rightarrow \Xi^+\bar{\Xi}^-) = (0.48 - 0.96) \times 10^{-3}$$



Charmonium Spectroscopy

arXiv: 1010.5827

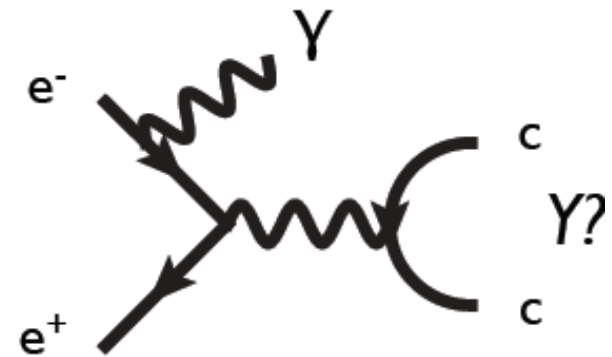
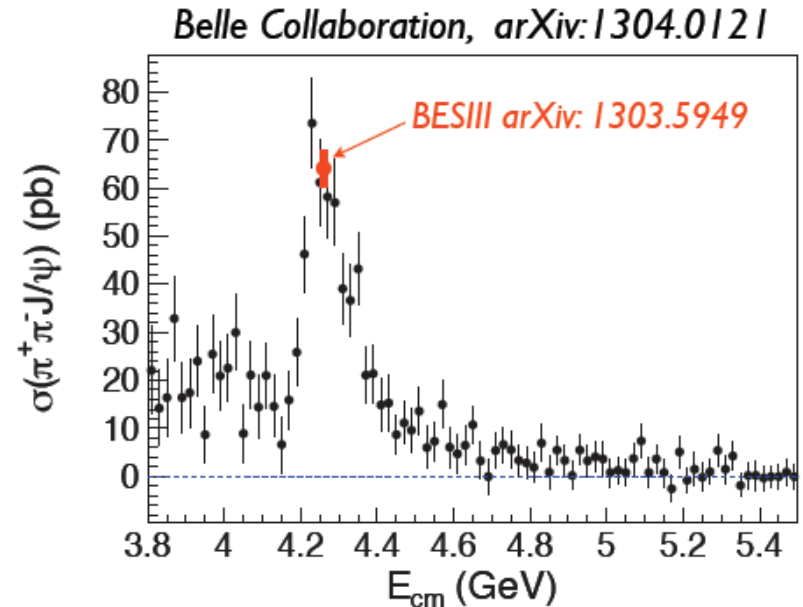
- Many charmonium states above $\bar{D}D$ threshold discovered
- Production in e^+e^- and B decay (Belle, BaBar, CDF, D0, CLEO)
- Some are likely conventional $\bar{c}c$ states, e.g. $\chi_{cJ}(2P)$
- Some have surprising properties
- Many need confirmation (NC!), spin-parity determination and search for other states to complete the spectrum. Statistical capability of current B-factory data sets is limited
- Complementary to light quark systems:
Is there evidence for gluonic degrees of freedom in the spectrum of charmonium?

Review from Quarkonium Working Group

| State | m (MeV) | Γ (MeV) | J^{PC} | Year | Status |
|---------------|---------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|-------|--------|
| $X(3872)$ | 3871.52 ± 0.20 | 1.3 ± 0.6 (< 2.2) | $1^{++}/2^{-+}$ | 2003 | OK |
| $X(3915)$ | 3915.6 ± 3.1 | 28 ± 10 | $0/2^{?+}$ | 2004 | OK |
| $X(3940)$ | 3942^{+9}_{-8} | 37^{+27}_{-17} | $?^{?+}$ | 2007 | NC! |
| $G(3900)$ | 3943 ± 21 | 52 ± 11 | 1^{--} | 2007 | OK |
| $Y(4008)$ | 4008^{+121}_{-49} | 226 ± 97 | 1^{--} | 2007 | NC! |
| $Z_1(4050)^+$ | 4051^{+24}_{-43} | 82^{+51}_{-55} | ? | 2008 | NC! |
| $Y(4140)$ | 4143.4 ± 3.0 | 15^{+11}_{-7} | $?^{?+}$ | 2009 | NC! |
| $X(4160)$ | 4156^{+29}_{-25} | 139^{+113}_{-65} | $?^{?+}$ | 2007 | NC! |
| $Z_2(4250)^+$ | 4248^{+185}_{-45} | 177^{+321}_{-72} | ? | 2008 | NC! |
| $Y(4260)$ | 4263 ± 5 | 108 ± 14 | 1^{--} | 2005 | OK |
| ... | | | | | ... |

Y(4260) and Y(4360)

- Y(4260), anomalous enhancement in $J/\psi\pi\pi$ cross section discovered by BaBar in initial state radiation (ISR) e^+e^- production (confirmed by Belle and CLEO)
- Must be a 1^- state
 - overpopulates 1^- charmonium states
 - above $\bar{D}D$ threshold but does not couple to $\bar{D}D$ like others
- Similarly mysterious Y(4360) in $\psi'\pi\pi$
- Study at BESIII by collecting data at fixed $E_{\text{cm}} = 4.26$ and 4.36 GeV.
 - study systematically looking at many channels



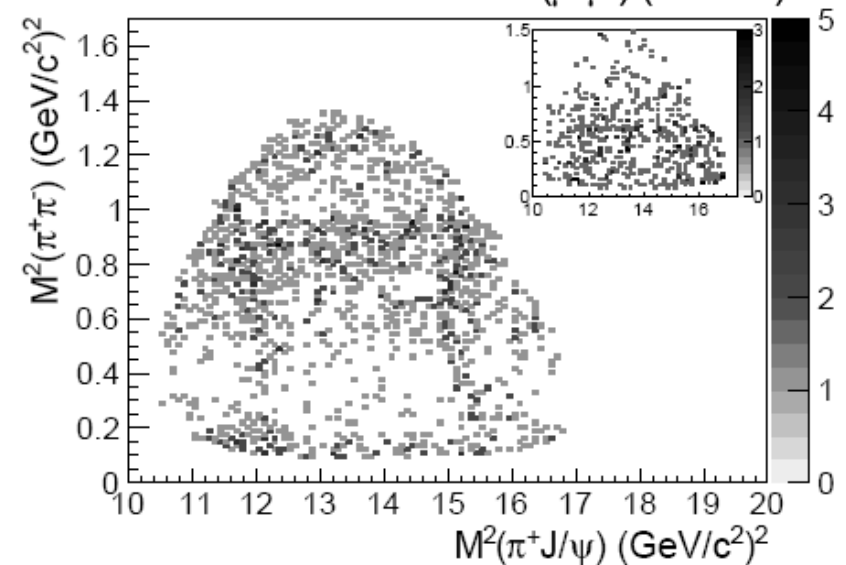
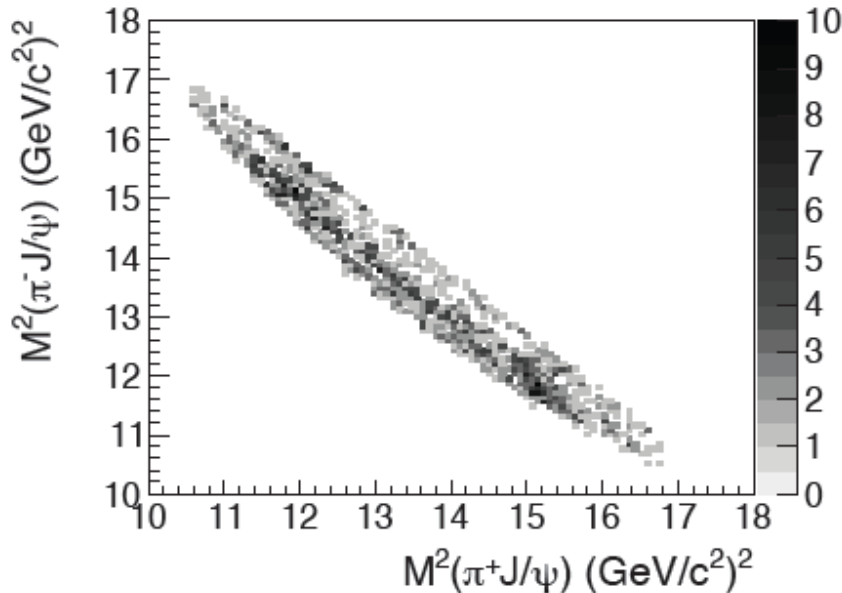
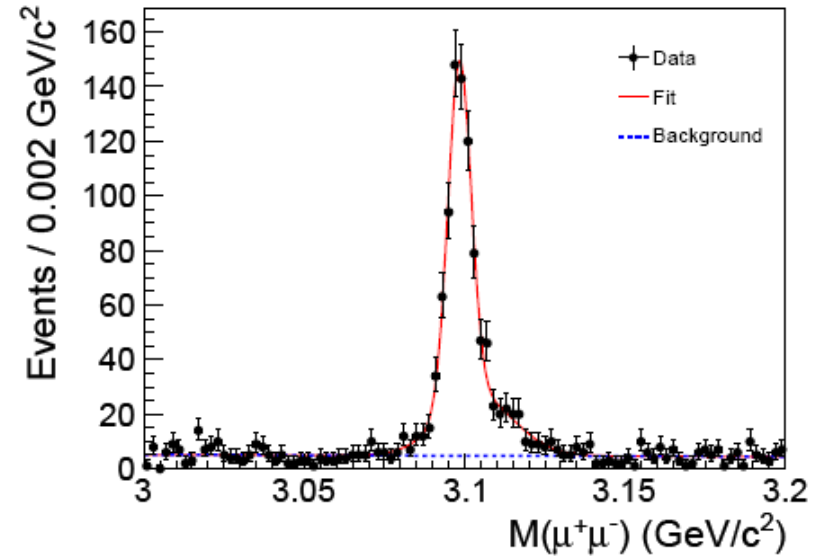
ISR production (BaBar, Belle)

$Z_c(3900)$ in $Y(4260) \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$

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$\sigma^B(e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- J/\psi) = 62.9 \pm 1.9 \pm 3.7$ pb
agrees with Babar & Belle.

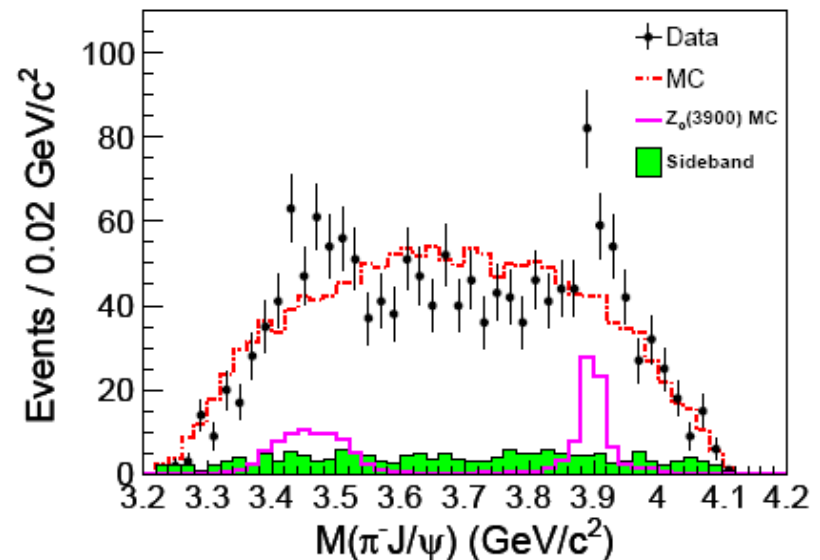
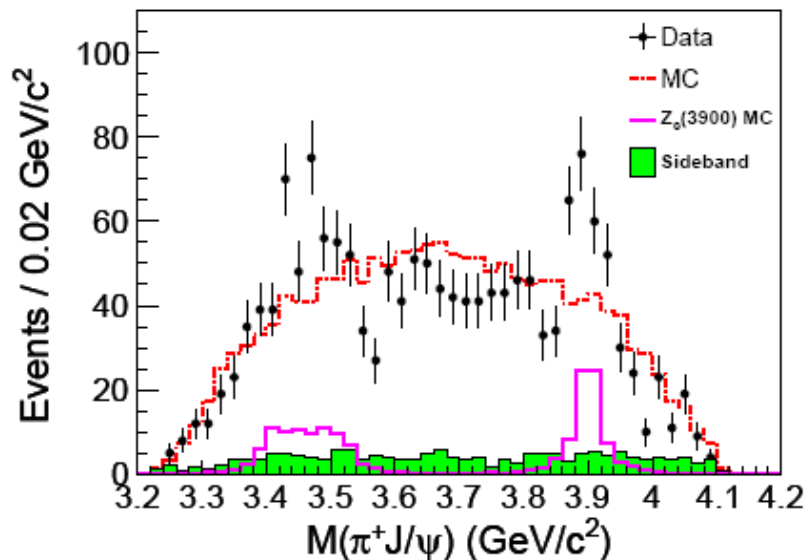
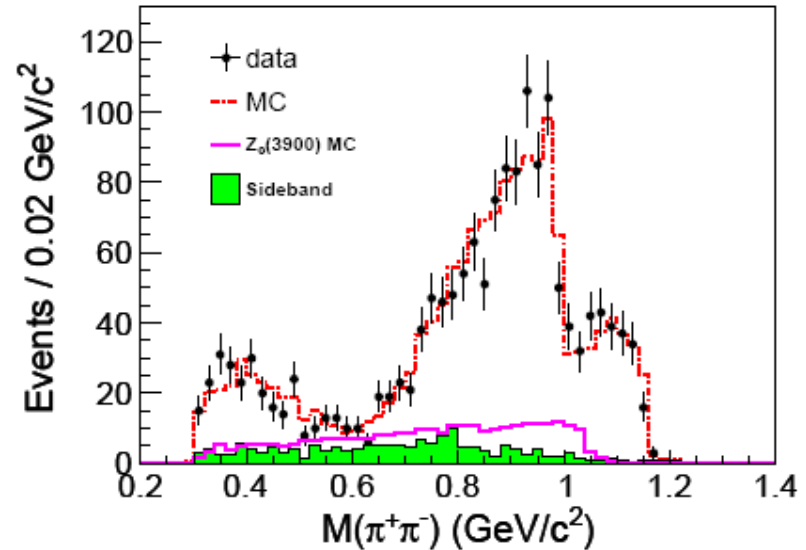
Observe structures in both $\pi^+ J/\psi$ and $\pi^- J/\psi$
 J/ψ invariant mass spectra.



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- $\pi^+ \pi^-$ mass spectrum: $f_0(980)$, $\sigma(500)$, generate no peak in $\pi^\pm J/\psi$ spectrum.
- $\pi^\pm J/\psi$ mass spectrum: peak at $3.9 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ ($Z_c(3900)$); the wider peak at low mass is a kinematic reflection of the $Z_c(3900)$.

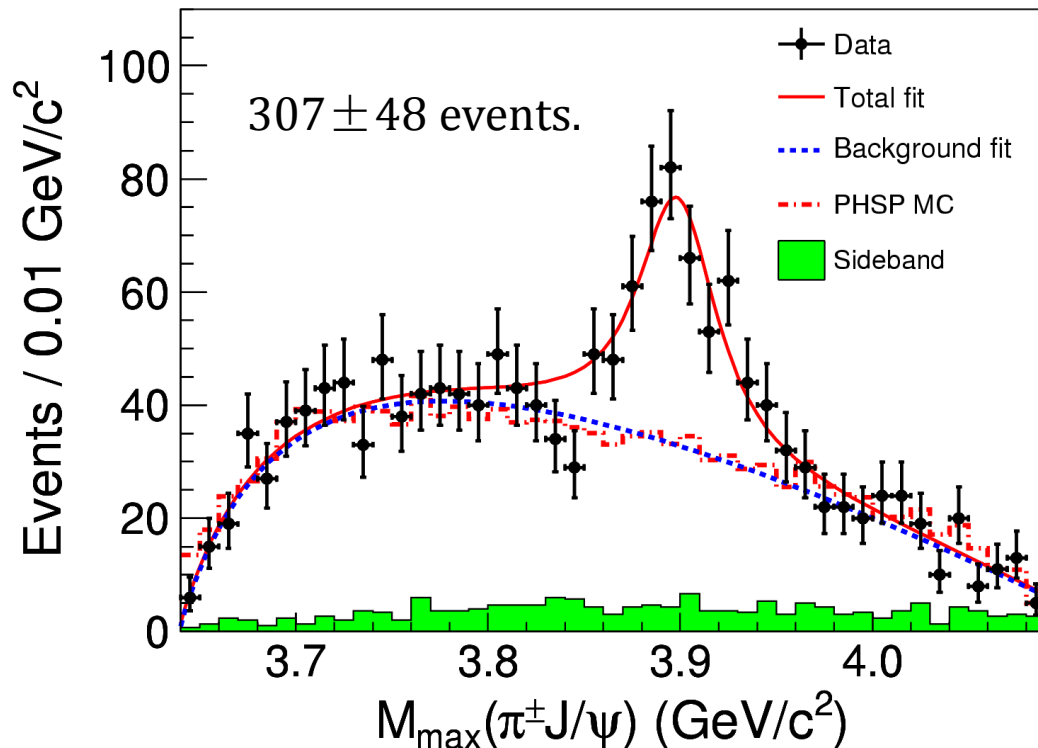


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- Fit projection to obtain:
 - $M(Z_c) = 3899 \pm 3.6 \pm 4.9 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
 - $\Gamma(Z_c) = 46 \pm 10 \pm 20 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
 - **Significance:** $> 8\sigma$

At 4260 MeV production of $Z_c \pi^\pm$ is $(21.5 \pm 3.3)\%$ of the $J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$ cross section



- Couples to $c\bar{c}$
- Has electric charge
- Interpretation:
 - 4-quark states?
 - DD^* interaction at threshold?

- Confirmed by Belle(arXiv:1304.0121) in ISR $Y(4260)$ production and by Kam Seth (arXiv: 1304.3036) using 586 pb^{-1} of CLEO data taken at a CM energy of 4170MeV.

The nature of $Z_c(3900)$?

From SPIRE HEP Database (17th, May)

1. Tetraquarks

arXiv: 1110.1333, 1303.6857

arXiv: 1304.(0345, 1301, 6433, 7080, 7816)

2. Hadronic molecules

arXiv: 1303.6608,

arXiv: 1304.(2882, 1850, 5748, 7467)

3. Four quark state (1 or 2)

arXiv: 1304.0380

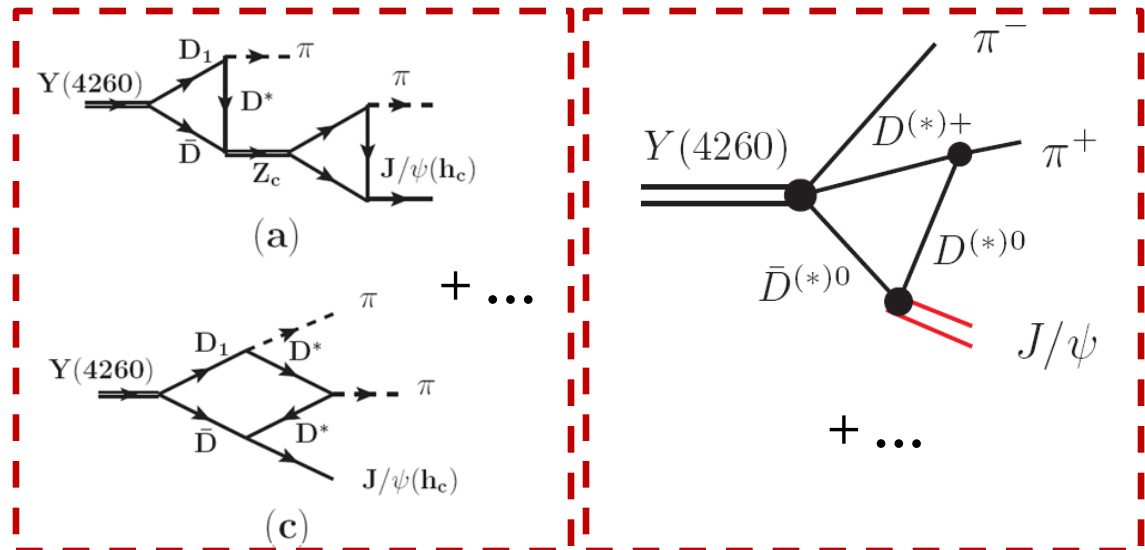
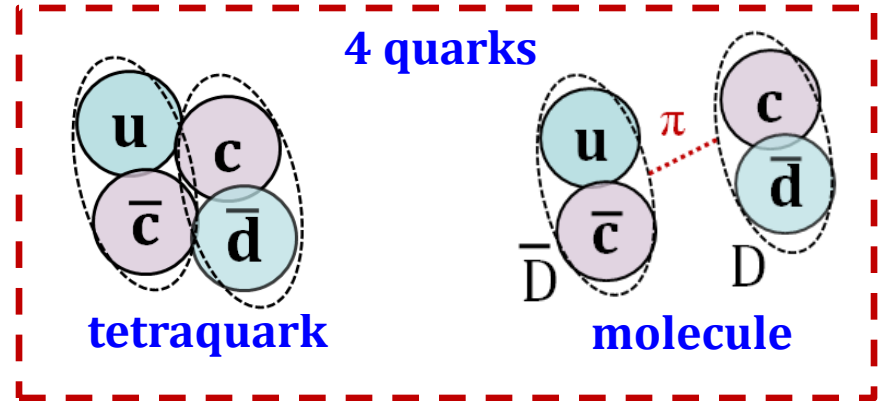
4. Meson loop

arXiv: 1303.6355, 1304.4458

5. Initial State Pion Emission (ISPE) model

arXiv: 1303.6842, 1304.5845

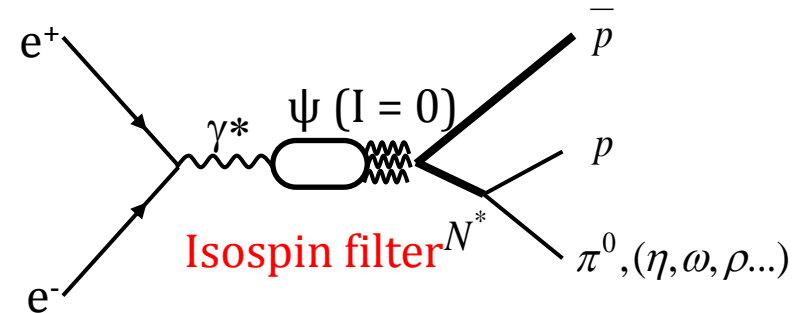
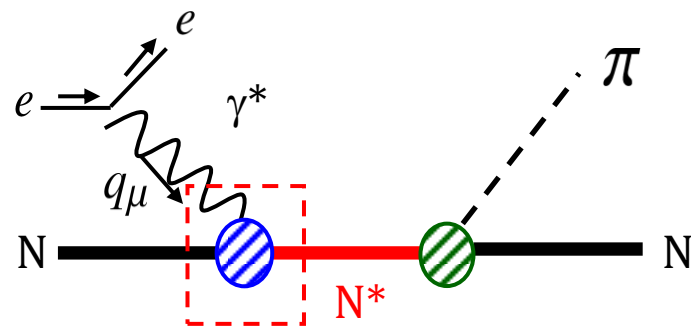
With more data presently analysed, BESIII will be able to exclude various interpretations of the $Z_c(3900)$!



meson loop

ISPE model

Excited Baryon Program using charmonium decays



Advantages of excited baryon study using charmonium decay:

1: Isospin filter : less states, less complicated.

$\psi (I = 0) \rightarrow p (I=1/2) \bar{p} \pi^0 (I=1/2) \quad N^* \text{ --yes, } \Delta^* \text{ -- no}$

2: Study by many decay channels, such as $\pi^0 N$, ηN , $\eta' N$, $\omega N \dots$

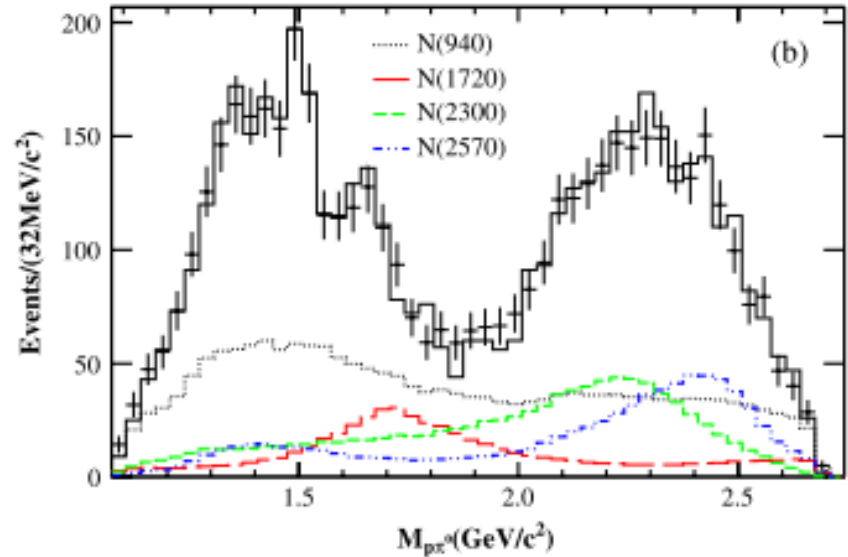
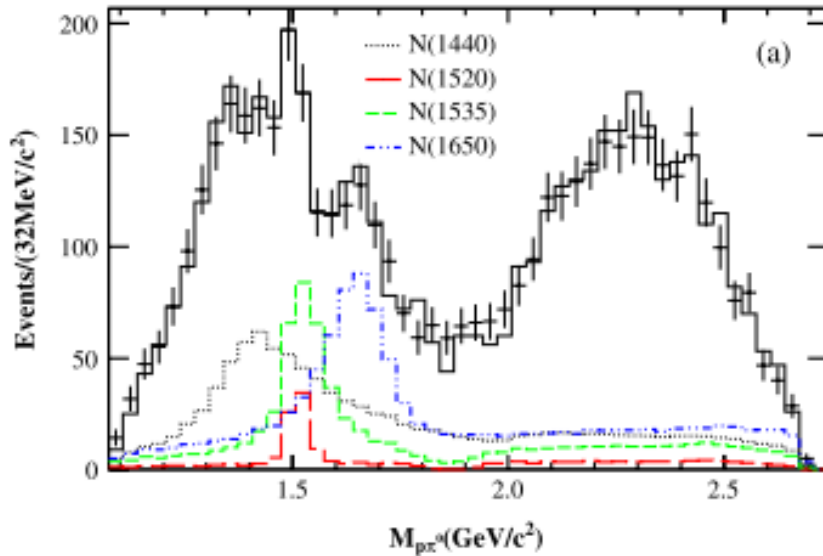
3: Large statistics for charmonium states

4: Study of N^* , Λ^* , Σ^* , Ξ^*

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$$N^* \text{ in } \psi' \rightarrow p \bar{p} \pi^0$$

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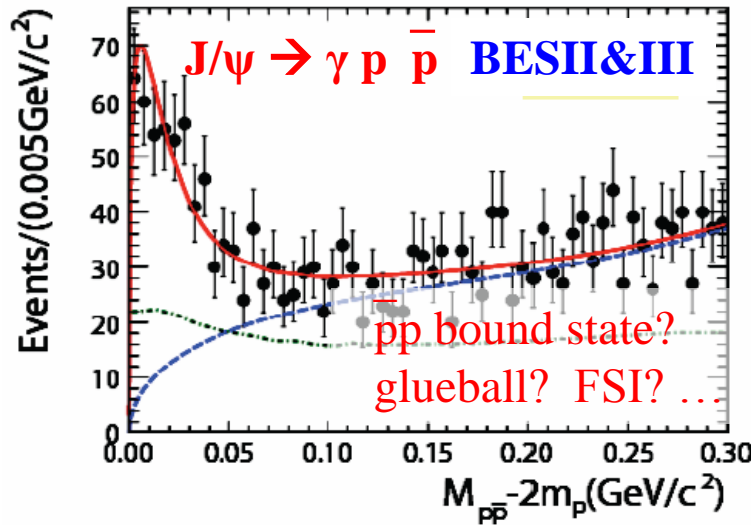
- Full partial wave analysis.
- Two new N^* states observed.

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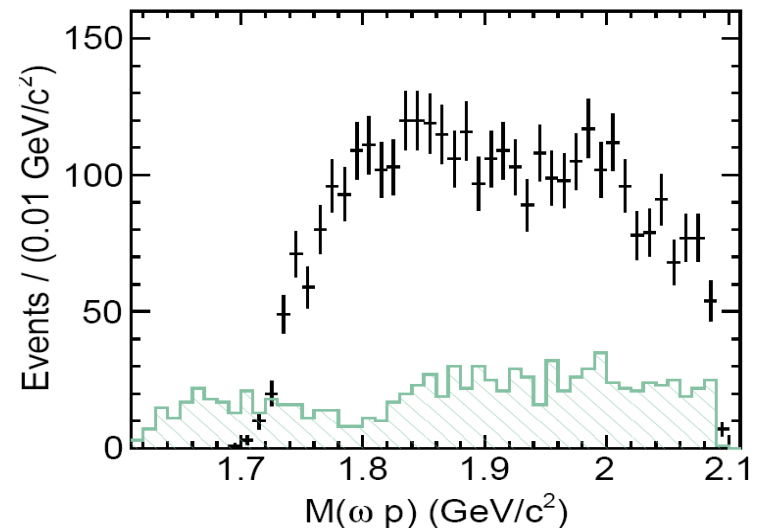
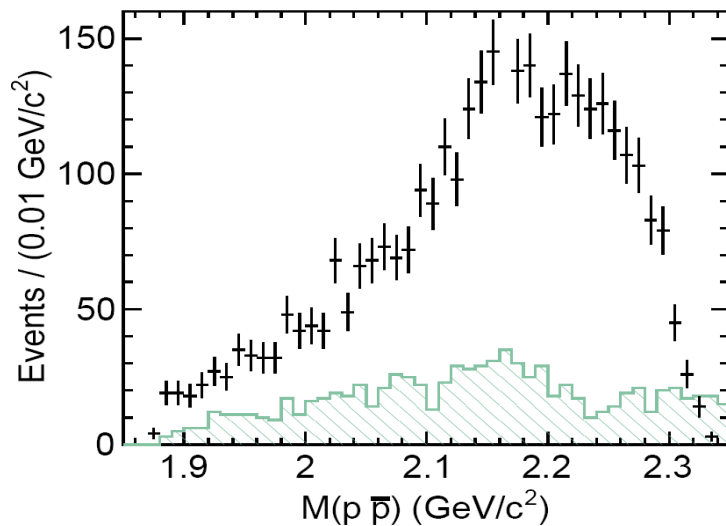
| Resonance | $M(\text{MeV}/c^2)$ | $\Gamma(\text{MeV}/c^2)$ | Sig. | J^P |
|-----------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|---------|
| $N(1440)$ | 1390^{+11+21}_{-21-30} | $340^{+46+70}_{-40-156}$ | 11.5σ | $1/2^+$ |
| $N(1520)$ | 1510^{+3+11}_{-7-9} | 115^{+20+0}_{-15-40} | 5.0σ | $3/2^-$ |
| $N(1535)$ | 1535^{+9+15}_{-8-22} | 120^{+20+0}_{-20-42} | 9.3σ | $1/2^-$ |
| $N(1650)$ | 1650^{+5+11}_{-5-30} | 150^{+21+14}_{-22-50} | 12.2σ | $1/2^-$ |
| $N(1720)$ | 1700^{+30+32}_{-28-35} | $450^{+109+149}_{-94-44}$ | 9.6σ | $3/2^+$ |
| $N(2300)$ | $2300^{+40+109}_{-30-0}$ | $340^{+30+110}_{-30-58}$ | 15.0σ | $1/2^+$ |
| $N(2570)$ | 2570^{+19+34}_{-10-10} | 250^{+14+69}_{-24-21} | 11.7σ | $5/2^-$ |

$J/\psi \rightarrow \omega p \bar{p}$

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- $J/\psi \rightarrow \omega p \bar{p} \rightarrow \gamma \pi^0 p \bar{p}$
- No obvious $p \bar{p}$ threshold enhancement
 $B(J/\psi \rightarrow \omega X(p \bar{p}) \rightarrow \omega p \bar{p}) < 3.9 \cdot 10^{-6}$
- Disfavors Pure FSI interpretation
- No obvious structures in $M_{p\omega}$



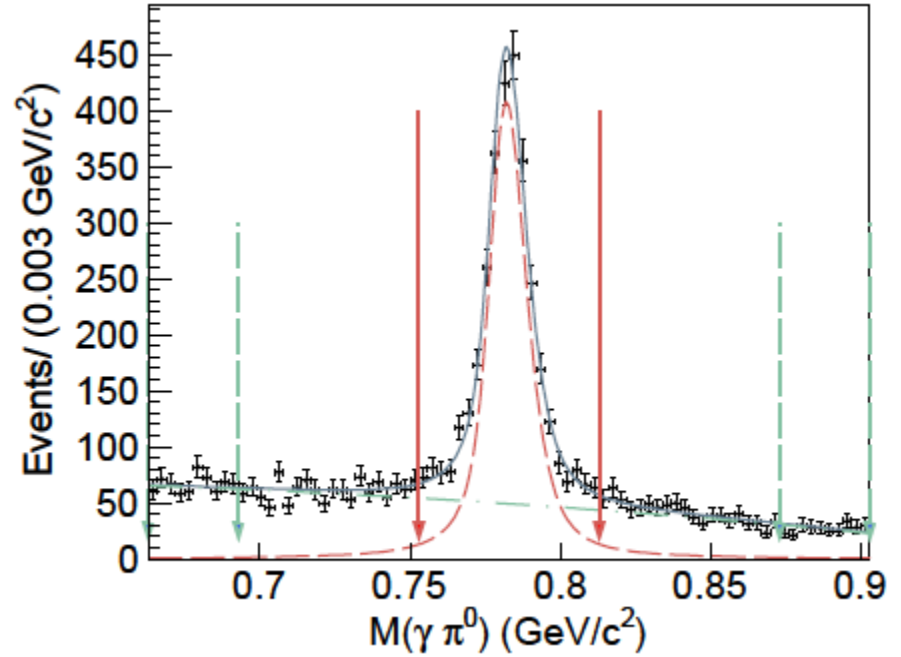
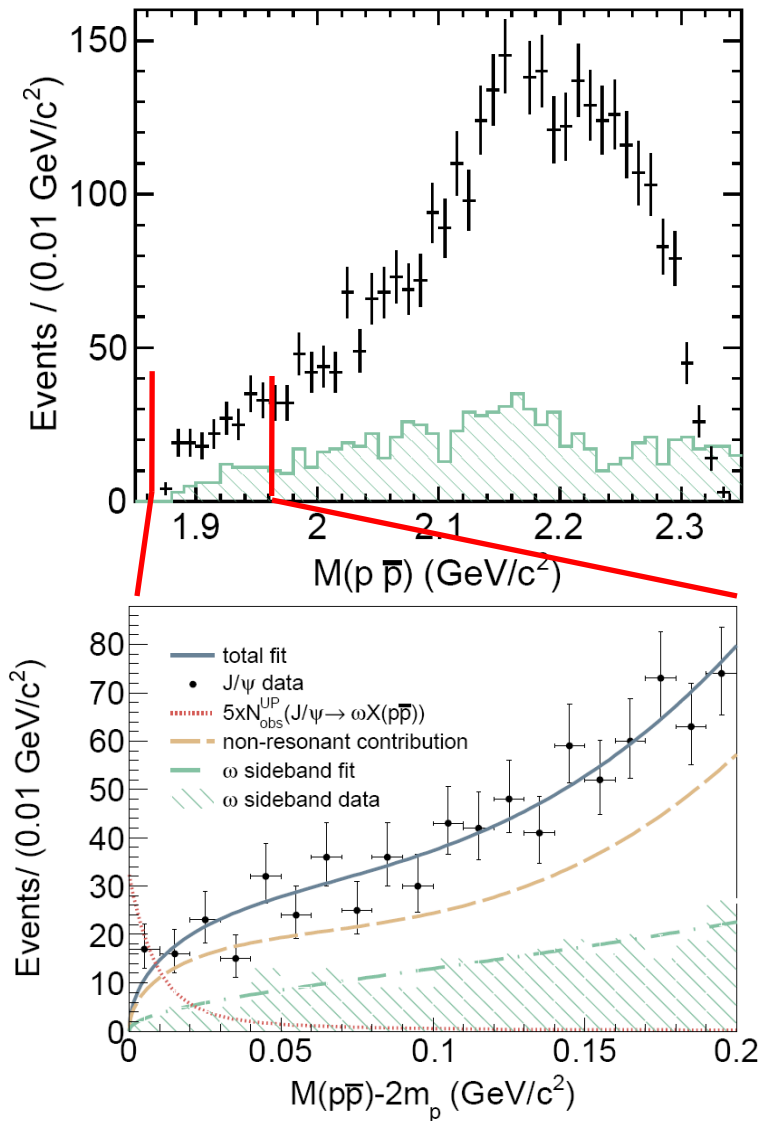
Summary and Outlook

- Diverse program of hadron physics ongoing at BESIII
 - new or more precise experimental tests of calculations of charmonium transitions and decays
 - an unexpected result in the charmonium spectrum: a charged charmonium-like state
 - many ongoing N^* studies using J/ψ or ψ' decay
- Expect vibrant program headed into the future:
 - already have at least 4X statistics in both J/ψ and ψ' decays
 - analysis has started on $E_{cm} = 4360$ MeV
 - expect 4X statistics at $E_{cm} = 4260$ MeV by the end of summer

Thank you!

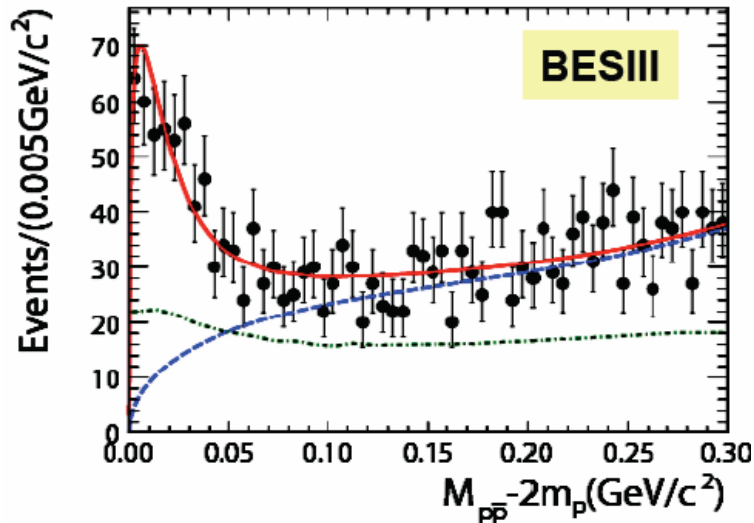
$J/\psi \rightarrow \omega \bar{p}p$

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$\bar{p}p$ mass threshold structure in $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma \bar{p}p$

- Confirmed by BESIII, [Chinese Physic C 34, 421\(2010\)](#)



Theoretical interpretation:

- conventional meson?
- $p\bar{p}$ bound state/multiquark
- glueball
- Final state interaction (FSI)
- ...

- PWA of $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma p\bar{p}$ was first performed, [PRL 108, 112003\(2012\)](#)

$$J^{PC} = 0^{-+} \quad \longrightarrow$$

>6.8 σ better than other J^{PC} assignments.

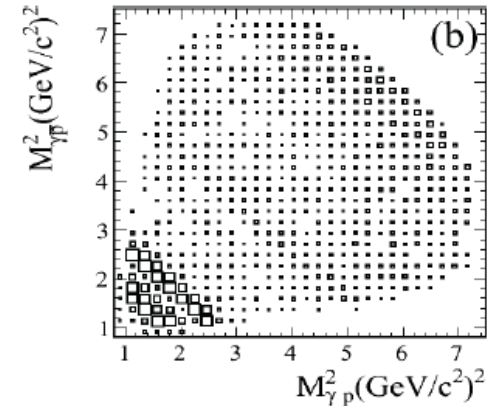
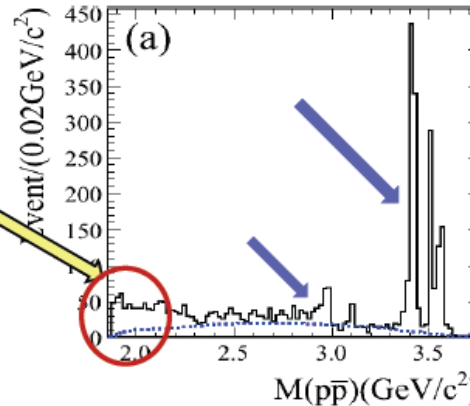
$$M = 1832_{-5}^{+19} \text{ (stat)}_{-17}^{+18} \text{ (syst)} \pm 19 \text{ (mod)} \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\Gamma = 13 \pm 20 \text{ (stat)}_{-33}^{+11} \text{ (syst)} \pm 4 \text{ (mod)} \text{ MeV}/c^2 \quad \text{or} \quad \Gamma < 76 \text{ MeV}/c^2 \quad @90\% \text{ C.L.}$$

$$B(J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma X(p\bar{p}))B(X(p\bar{p}) \rightarrow p\bar{p}) = (9.0_{-1.1}^{+0.4} \text{ (stat)}_{-5.0}^{+1.5} \text{ (syst)} \pm 2.3 \text{ (mod)}) \times 10^{-5}$$

$M_{p\bar{p}}$ threshold structure of $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma p\bar{p}$ @ BESIII

Obviously different line shape of $p\bar{p}$ mass spectrum near threshold from that in J/ψ decays



PWA results:

- Significance of $X(p\bar{p})$ is $> 6.9\sigma$.
- The production ratio R:

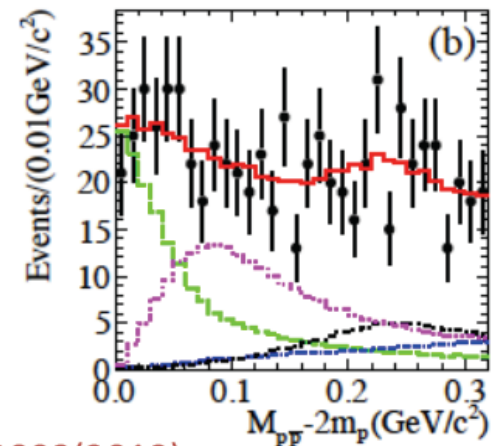
first measurement

$$R = \frac{B(\psi' \rightarrow \gamma X(p\bar{p}))}{B(J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma X(p\bar{p}))}$$

$$= (5.08^{+0.71}_{-0.45} (\text{stat})^{+0.67}_{-3.58} (\text{syst}) \pm 0.12 (\text{mod}))\%$$

- It is suppressed compared with “12% rule”.

PWA Projection:

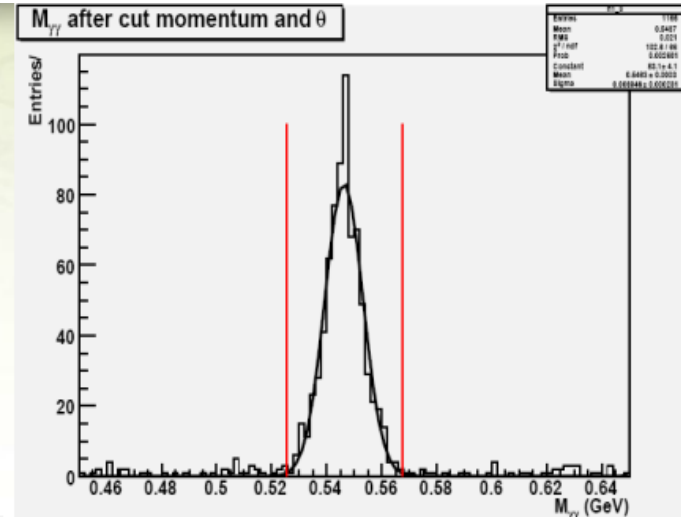
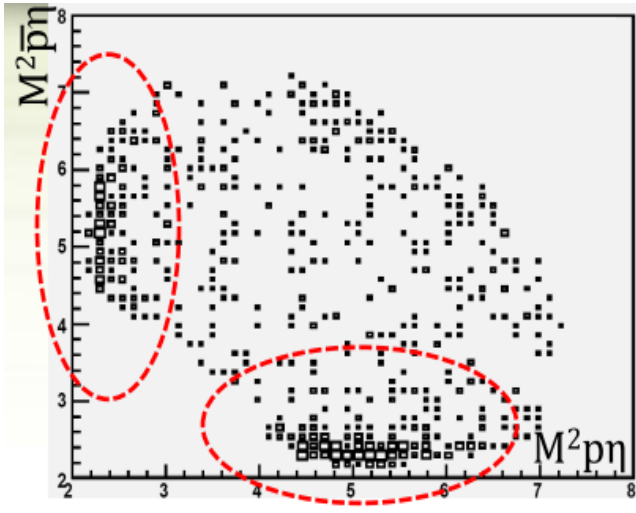


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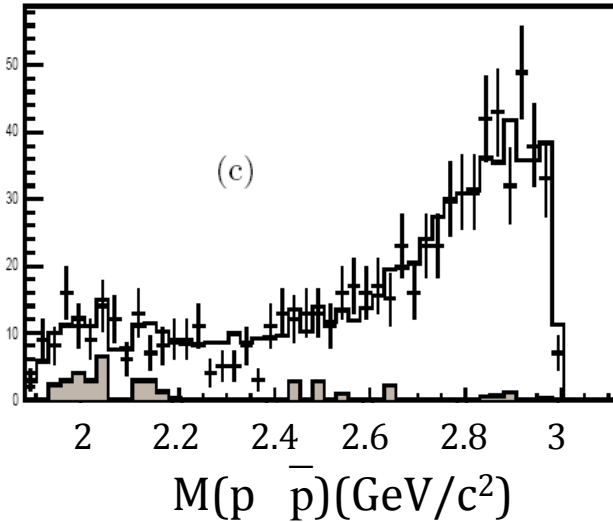
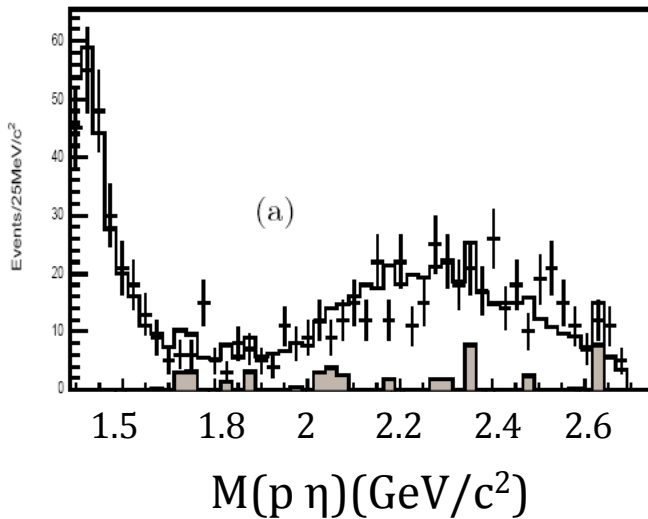
N^* in $\psi' \rightarrow p \bar{p} \eta$

See Wenlong's talk
@parallel B5



A full PWA is performed.

- Two components:
1. $N(1535) \frac{1}{2}^-$
 2. PHSP



Mass:

$$1.524^{+0.005+0.010}_{-0.005-0.004} \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

Width:

$$0.130^{+0.027+0.061}_{-0.027-0.014} \text{ GeV}$$

PDG:

$$M = 1.535 \pm 0.01 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

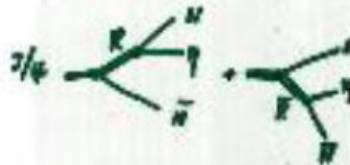
$$\Gamma = 125 \sim 175 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

For ψ decay to baryons:

Construction of PWA amplitudes.

Rarita-Schwinger covariant tensor formalism.

(1) $\frac{1}{2}^- N^*$



$$L_{\psi NR} = -i g_{\psi NR} \bar{N} \Gamma R \psi + h.c.$$

$$L_{\psi NR} = -g_{\psi N} \bar{R} \Gamma_{\mu} N \psi^{\mu} + \frac{i g_{\psi N}}{M_N + M_{\psi}} \bar{R} \Gamma_{\mu} \not{k}_{\psi}^{\mu} N \psi^{\mu} + h.c.$$

where

$$\Gamma = 1, \quad \Gamma_{\mu} = \gamma_5 \gamma_{\mu}, \quad \Gamma_{\mu\nu} = \gamma_5 \sigma_{\mu\nu} \quad \text{for } \frac{1}{2}^- N^*$$

$$\Gamma = \gamma_5, \quad \Gamma_{\mu} = \gamma_{\mu}, \quad \Gamma_{\mu\nu} = \sigma_{\mu\nu} \quad \text{for } \frac{1}{2}^+ N^*$$

$$A_{\frac{1}{2}^-} = G \bar{u} \left[\frac{k_1 + k_2 + M_{\psi}}{M_{\psi}^2 - s_{\pi} - i M_{\psi} \Gamma_{\psi}} \gamma_5 \gamma_{\mu} \not{\epsilon}^{\mu} + \gamma_5 \not{k}_{\psi} \frac{-k_1 - k_2 + M_{\psi}}{M_{\psi}^2 - s_{\pi} - i M_{\psi} \Gamma_{\psi}} \right] v$$

$$+ G \bar{u} \left[\frac{k_1 + k_2 + M_{\psi}}{M_{\psi}^2 - s_{\pi} - i M_{\psi} \Gamma_{\psi}} \gamma_5 \sigma_{\mu\nu} \not{k}_{\psi}^{\mu} \not{\epsilon}^{\nu} + \gamma_5 \sigma_{\mu\nu} \not{k}_{\psi}^{\mu} \not{\epsilon}^{\nu} \frac{-k_1 - k_2 + M_{\psi}}{M_{\psi}^2 - s_{\pi} - i M_{\psi} \Gamma_{\psi}} \right] v$$

$$A_{\frac{1}{2}^+} = \dots$$

Three basic elements for constructing amplitudes:

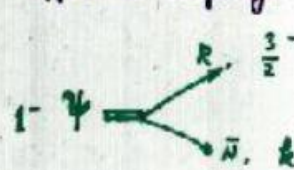
Wave functions, propagators, effective couplings.

(2) $\frac{3}{2}^- N^*$

Wave function: $U_{\mu}(p, s_0) = \sum_{\lambda, s} \langle 1 \lambda \frac{1}{2} s | \frac{3}{2} s_0 \rangle U_{\mu}(p, \lambda) u(p, s)$

propagators: $P_{\mu\nu} = \frac{\not{p} + M_0}{p^2 - M_0^2 + i M_0 \Gamma_0} \left[g_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{3} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_{\nu} - \frac{2 p_{\mu} p_{\nu}}{3 M_0^2} + \frac{p_{\mu} k_{\nu} - p_{\nu} k_{\mu}}{3 M_0} \right]$

effective couplings:



(1) $\bar{R}^{\mu} \psi^{\nu} g_{\mu\nu} N$

$\bar{R}^{\mu} \psi^{\nu} g_{\mu\nu} \gamma_5 N$

(2) $\bar{R}^{\mu} \psi^{\nu} \gamma_{\mu} k_{\nu} N$

$\bar{R}^{\mu} \psi^{\nu} \gamma_{\mu} k_{\nu} \gamma_5 N$

(3) $\bar{R}^{\mu} \psi^{\nu} k_{\mu} k_{\nu} N$

$\bar{R}^{\mu} \psi^{\nu} k_{\mu} k_{\nu} \gamma_5 N$

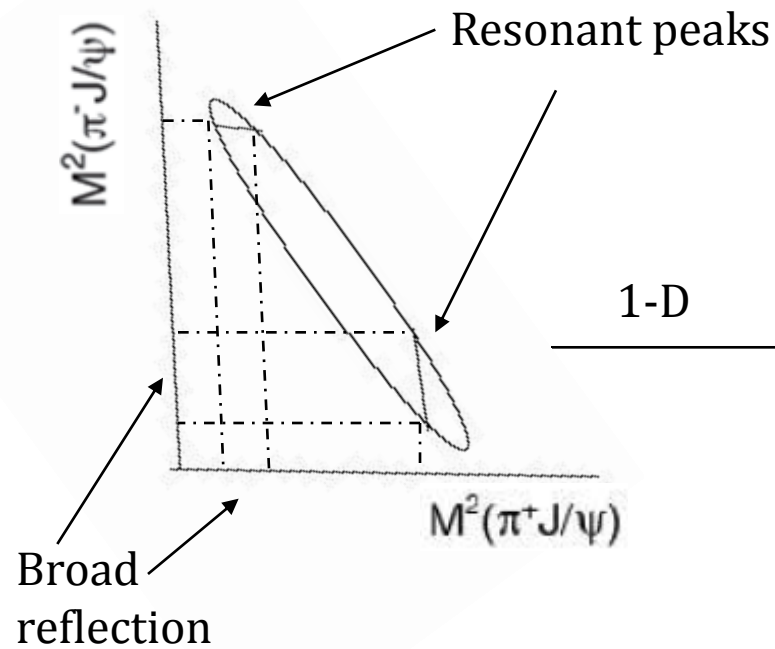


$i \bar{u} \phi \gamma_{\mu} k_{\mu} R^{\mu}$

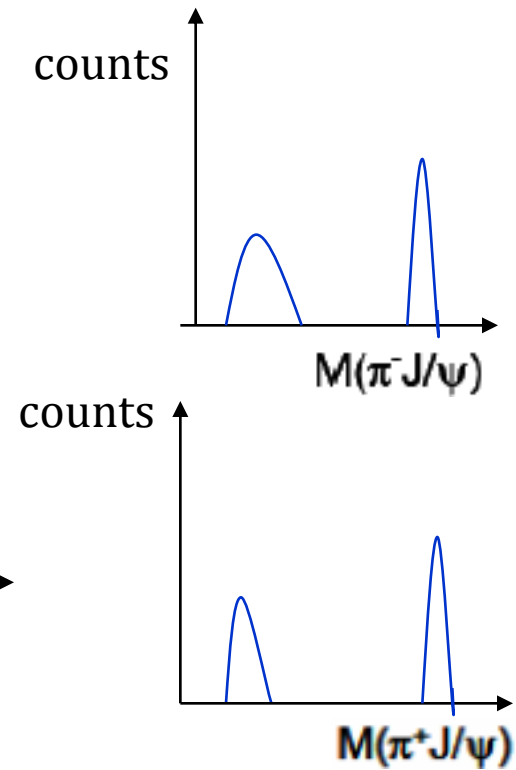


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Kinematic reflections



1-D



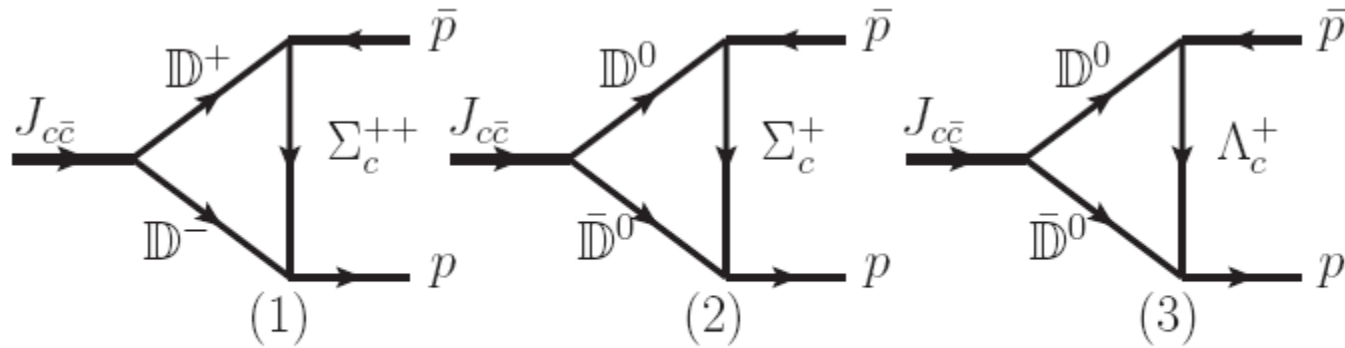


Figure 1. Charmed hadron loop diagrams that describe the long-distance transitions in $J_{c\bar{c}} \rightarrow p\bar{p}$.

Helicity Selection Rule

According to the perturbative method of QCD, V.L. Chernyark et al. have ever obtained the asymptotic behavior for some exclusive processes, e.g.

$$BR_{J_{c\bar{c}}(\lambda) \rightarrow h_1(\lambda_1)h_2(\lambda_2)} \sim \left(\frac{\Lambda_{QCD}^2}{m_c^2} \right)^{|\lambda_1 + \lambda_2| + 2}$$

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The leading order will contribute when $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 0$, while the helicity configurations that do not satisfy this relation will be suppressed.

An alternative description of this selection rule with the quantum number named “naturalness”

$$\sigma \equiv P(-1)^J$$

The selection rule requires that

$$\sigma^{initial} = \sigma_1 \sigma_2$$

Take the process $J/\psi \rightarrow VP$ as an example ($\sigma^{initial} \neq \sigma_1 \sigma_2$)

$$\mathcal{M}_{J/\psi(\lambda_\psi) \rightarrow V(\lambda_V)P(\lambda_P)} \propto \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} p_\psi^\mu \epsilon_\psi^\nu(p_\psi, \lambda_\psi) p_V^\alpha \epsilon_V^{*\beta}(p_V, \lambda_V)$$

In the rest frame of initial state, if $\lambda_V = 0$, ϵ_V can be approximately expressed as a linear combination of the final state momenta. Then the contraction of the Lorentz indices will result in a vanishing amplitude.

S and P-wave Charmonium Decays

| | PP | PV | VV |
|-------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| η_c | - | (\checkmark) | (ϵ) |
| J/ψ | (\checkmark) | (ϵ) | (\checkmark) |
| χ_{c0} | \checkmark | - | \checkmark |
| χ_{c1} | - | (\checkmark) | (ϵ) |
| χ_{c2} | \checkmark | (ϵ) | \checkmark |

Inconsistent with exp.

Zhao et al. 0812.4902

Zhang et al. PRL102, 172001

which we will discuss in this talk.

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$$BR(\chi_{c1} \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}) = (1.6 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-3} \quad \text{PDG}$$

$$\eta_c(\chi_{c0}, h_c) \rightarrow \bar{B}B$$

- $\bar{B}B$ represents the $J^P=1/2^+$ octet baryon-antibaryon pairs
- These processes also violate the helicity selection rule
- Some attempts have been made to understand this contradiction
 - quark-diquark model M. Anselmino et al.
 - quark mass correction F. Murgia; M. Anselmino et al.
 - mixing with glueball M. Anselmino et al.
 - quark pair creation model R.G. Ping et al.