

Recent Results of Charmonium Decays and Transitions at BESIII

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Outline

- **Charmonium Decays**

- $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma\pi^0, \gamma\eta, \gamma\eta'$ (*PRL 105, 261801 (2010)*)
- First evidence of $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma\gamma J/\psi$
- $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow \gamma\rho, \gamma\omega, \gamma\phi$ (*PRD 83, 112005 (2011)*)
- $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow ppK^+K^-$ (*PRD 83, 112009(2011)*)
- $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow VV$ (*PRL 107, 091803(2011)*)
- Search for $\eta_c(2S) \rightarrow VV$ (*PRD 84, 091102(2011)*)

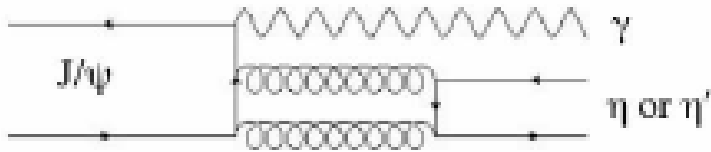
- **Charmonium Transitions**

- Properties of the h_c (*PRL 104, 132002 (2010)*)
- Mass and width of the η_c (*arXiv:1111.0398*)
- Observation of $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma\eta_c(2S)$
- Multipoles in $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma\chi_2$ (*PRD 84, 092006(2011)*)

$\psi' \rightarrow \gamma P(\pi^0, \eta, \eta')$, arise surprises

$V \rightarrow \gamma P$ are important tests for various mechanisms:

Vector meson Dominance Model (VDM); **Couplings & form factor**; Mixing of η - η' ($-\eta_c$); **FSR by light quarks**; 12% rule and “ ρ π puzzle”.



VS



theory

experiment

$$R_{(c\bar{c})} = \frac{Br((c\bar{c}) \rightarrow \gamma \eta)}{Br((c\bar{c}) \rightarrow \gamma \eta')}$$

LO-pQCD



$$R_{\psi'} \simeq R_{J/\psi}$$

PRP 112,173 (1984)

CLEO-c: $J/\psi, \psi', \psi'' \rightarrow \gamma P$

$$R_{J/\psi} = (21.1 \pm 0.9)\%$$

No Evidence for $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma \pi^0$ or $\gamma \eta$

$$Br(\psi' \rightarrow \gamma \eta') = (1.19 \pm 0.09)\%$$

$$R_{\psi'} < 1.8\% \text{ at } 90\% \text{ CL}$$



$$R_{\psi'} \ll R_{J/\psi}$$

PRD 79, 111101 (2009)

$\psi' \rightarrow \gamma P$ at BESIII

PRL 105, 261801 (2010)

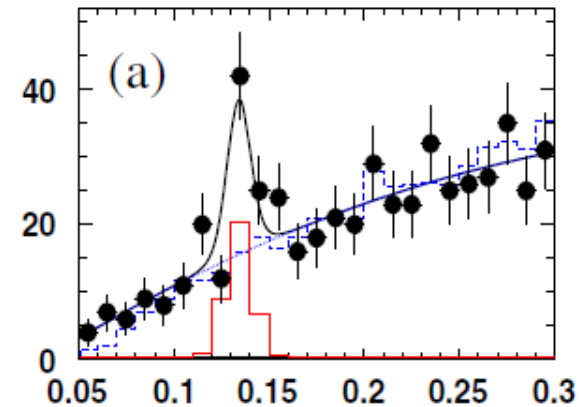
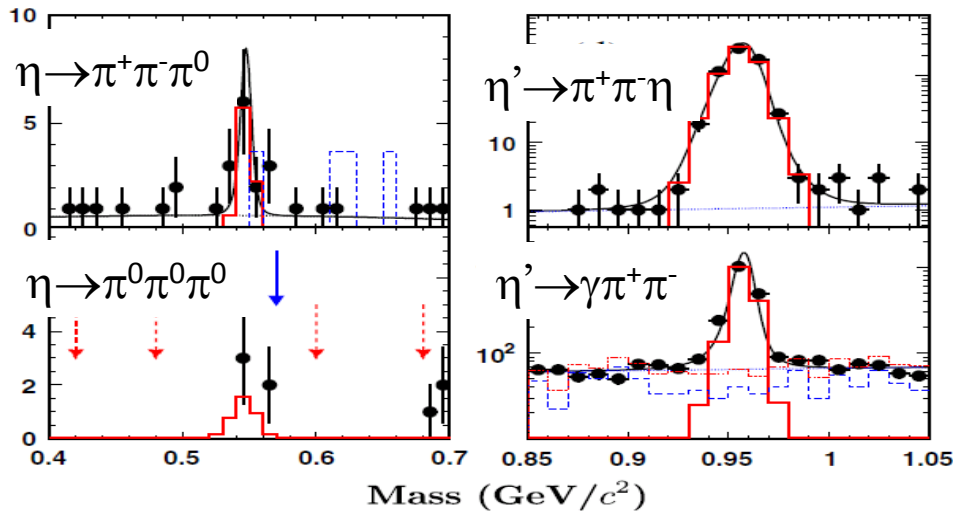
$$\psi' \rightarrow \gamma \eta$$

(First observation)

$$\psi' \rightarrow \gamma \eta'$$

$$\psi' \rightarrow \gamma \pi^0$$

(First observation)



$$R_{\psi'} = 1.10 \pm 0.38 \pm 0.07\% \ll R_{J/\psi}$$

Mode	$B(\psi')$ [$\times 10^{-6}$]	$B(J/\psi)$ [$\times 10^{-4}$]	Q (%)
$\gamma \pi^0$	1.58 ± 0.42	0.35 ± 0.03	4.5 ± 1.3
$\gamma \eta$	1.38 ± 0.49	11.04 ± 0.34	0.13 ± 0.04
$\gamma \eta'$	126 ± 9	52.8 ± 1.5	2.4 ± 0.2

Possible interpretation: Q. Zhao, Phys. Lett. B697, 52 (2011)

First evidence of $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma\gamma J/\psi$

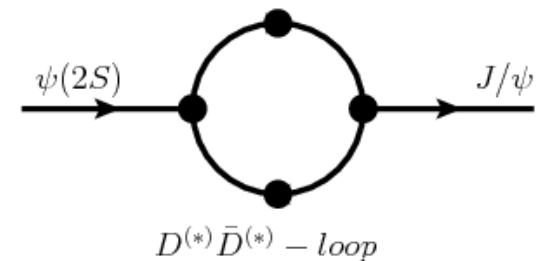
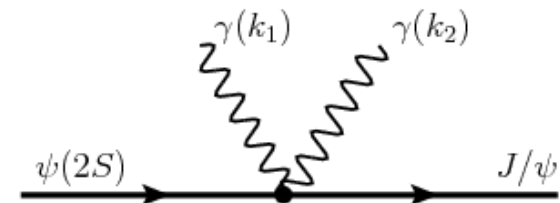
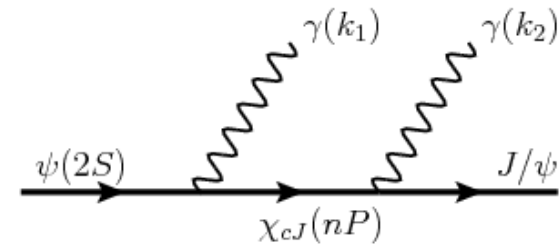
- Two photon transitions are well known in excitations of molecules, atomic hydrogen, and positronium.

[F. Bassani et al, PRL 39, 1070 (1977); A. Quattronani et al, PRL 50, 1258 (1983)]

- Never been observed in the quarkonium system.
- Observation helpful to understand heavy quarkonium spectrum and the strong interaction

Theoretically:

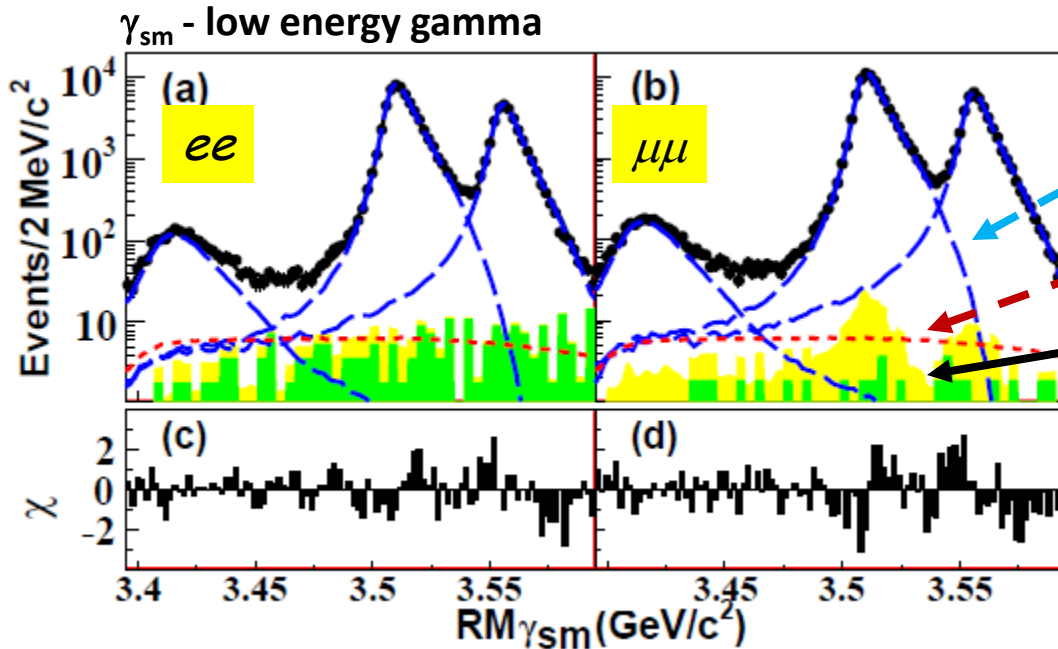
- possibility of testing the hadron-loop effect
- potential models give discrete spectra ($\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma\chi_{cJ}, \chi_{cJ} \rightarrow \gamma J/\psi$)
- coupled channel: **the hadron-loop effect also may play an important role in the continuous spectra**



Theoretical study is on going. (Z.G. He et al)

First evidence of $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma\gamma J/\psi$

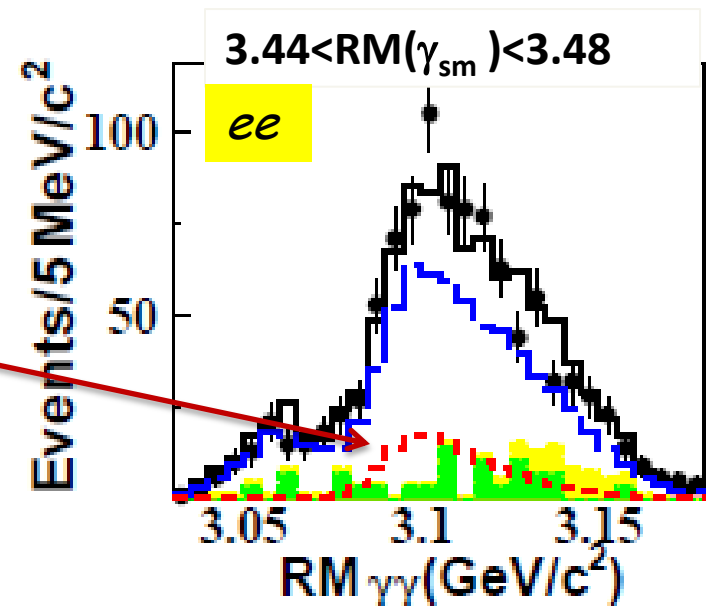
- select $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma\gamma J/\psi$, $J/\psi \rightarrow l^+l^-$ events



- the χ_{cl} components: double E1 scaling
- yields of the two-photon events
- continuum (green) + ψ' -decay BG (yellow)

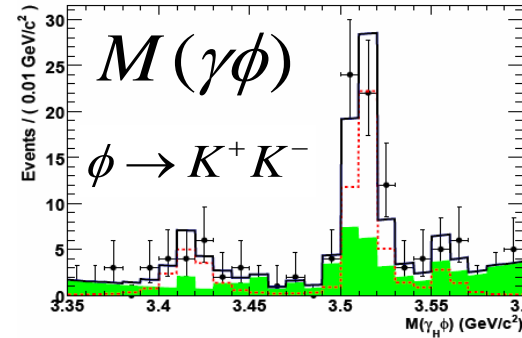
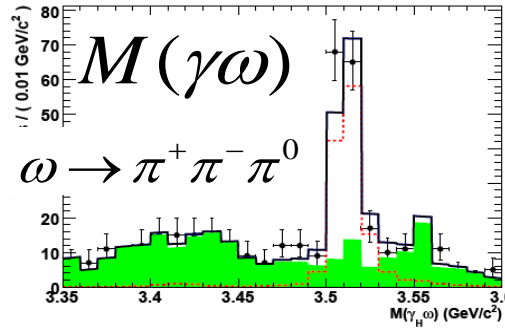
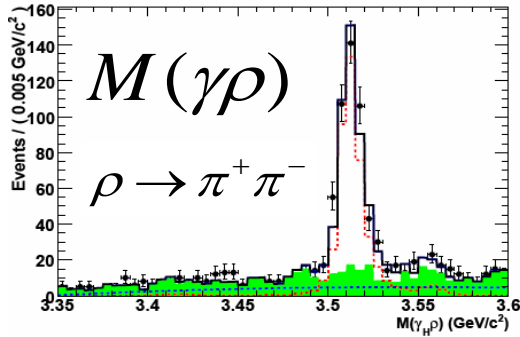
- global fit of the two-photon process and cascade χ_{cl} processes
- see **clear excess** over BG + continuum

- $B(\psi' \rightarrow \gamma\gamma J/\psi)$ [both ee and $\mu\mu$]
 $= (3.3 \pm 0.6^{+0.8}_{-1.1}) \times 10^{-4}$
- significance : 3.8σ including systematics
- $B(\psi' \rightarrow \gamma\chi_{cl}, \chi_{cl} \rightarrow \gamma J/\psi)$ are also measured



$\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow \gamma V(\rho, \omega, \phi)$

prediction by pQCD much lower than experiment



Mode	CLEO ¹	pQCD ²	QCD ³	QCD+QED ³	BESIII
$\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \gamma\rho^0$	< 9.6	1.2	3.2	2.0	<10.5
$\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \gamma\rho^0$	$243 \pm 19 \pm 22$	14	41	42	$228 \pm 13 \pm 22$
$\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \gamma\rho^0$	< 50	4.4	13	38	<20.8
$\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \gamma\omega$	< 8.8	0.13	0.35	0.22	<12.9
$\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \gamma\omega$	$83 \pm 15 \pm 12$	1.6	4.6	4.7	$69.7 \pm 7.2 \pm 6.6$
$\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \gamma\omega$	< 7.0	0.5	1.5	4.2	<6.1
$\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \gamma\phi$	< 6.4	0.46	1.3	0.03	<16.2
$\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \gamma\phi$	< 26	3.6	11	11	$25.8 \pm 5.2 \pm 2.3$
$\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \gamma\phi$	< 13	1.1	3.3	6.5	<8.1

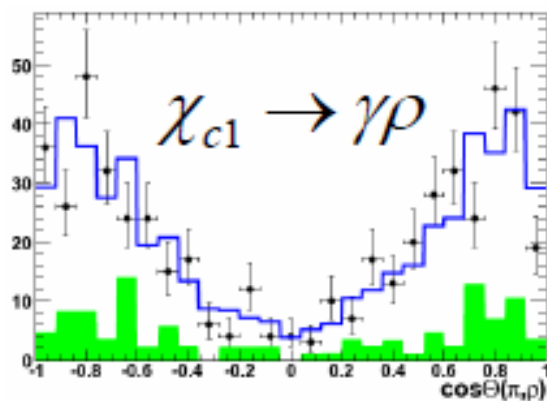
First observation

Polarization of $\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \gamma V(\rho, \omega, \phi)$

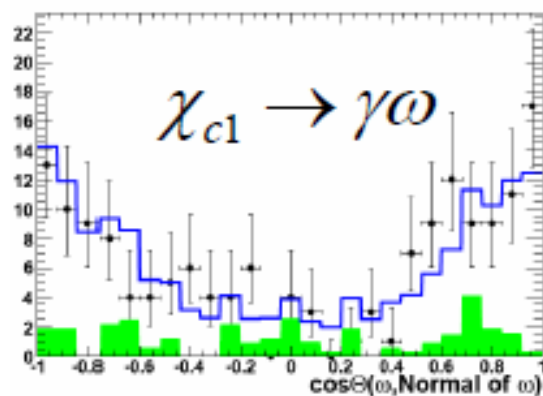
Longitudinal polarization (f_L);

Transverse polarization (f_T); θ : Helicity angle

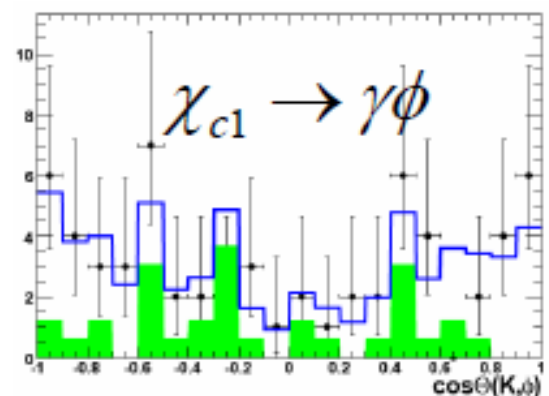
$$\frac{d\Gamma}{\Gamma d \cos \theta} \propto (1 - f_T) \cos^2 \theta + \frac{1}{2} f_T \sin^2 \theta \quad f_T = \frac{|A_T|^2}{|A_T|^2 + |A_L|^2}$$



$$f_T = 0.158 \pm 0.034^{+0.015}_{-0.014}$$



$$f_T = 0.247^{+0.090+0.044}_{-0.087-0.026}$$



$$f_T = 0.29^{+0.13+0.10}_{-0.12-0.09}$$

Longitudinal polarization dominates, consistent with theoretical prediction

Z. Phys. C 66, 71 (1995)
Phys. Rev. 77, 242 (1950)

$\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow p\bar{p}K^+K^-$ (first measurement)

- Test Color Octet Mechanism (COM) theory
- Search for new χ_{cJ} decay mode

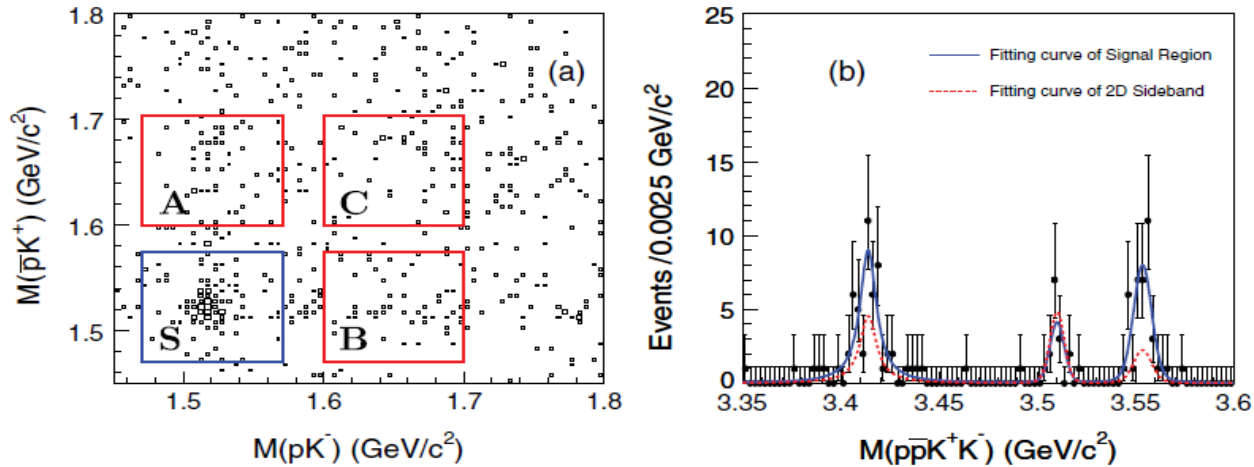


TABLE VII. Summary of branching fractions for 12 χ_{cJ} decay modes to $p\bar{p}K^+K^-$. The first errors are statistical, and the second ones are systematic. The upper limits are at the 90% C.L. including the systematic errors.

	χ_{c0}	χ_{c1}	χ_{c2}
$\mathcal{B}(\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow p\bar{p}K^+K^-) (10^{-4})$	$1.24 \pm 0.20 \pm 0.18$	$1.35 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.19$	$2.08 \pm 0.19 \pm 0.30$
$\mathcal{B}(\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow \bar{p}K^+\Lambda(1520) + \text{c.c.}) (10^{-4})$	$3.00 \pm 0.58 \pm 0.50$	$1.81 \pm 0.38 \pm 0.28$	$3.06 \pm 0.50 \pm 0.54$
$\mathcal{B}(\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow \Lambda(1520)\bar{\Lambda}(1520)) (10^{-4})$	$3.18 \pm 1.11 \pm 0.53$	<1.00	$5.05 \pm 1.29 \pm 0.93$
$\mathcal{B}(\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow p\bar{p}\phi) (10^{-5})$	$6.12 \pm 1.18 \pm 0.86$	<1.82	$3.04 \pm 0.85 \pm 0.43$

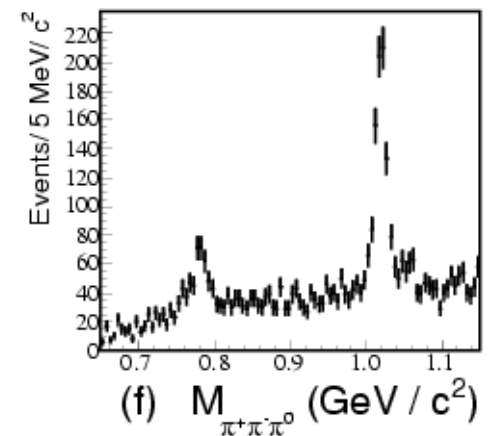
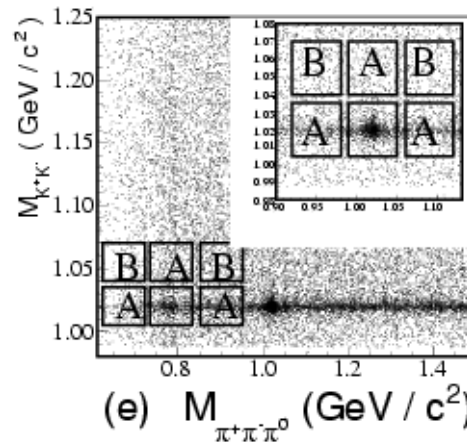
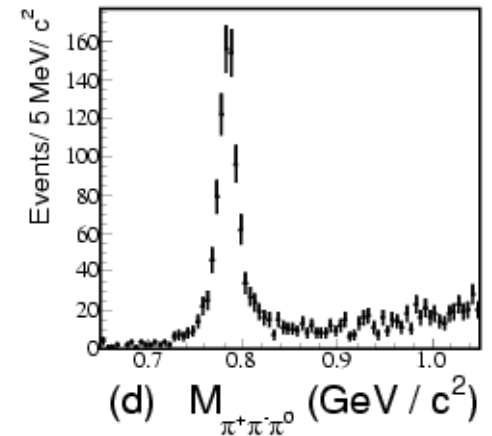
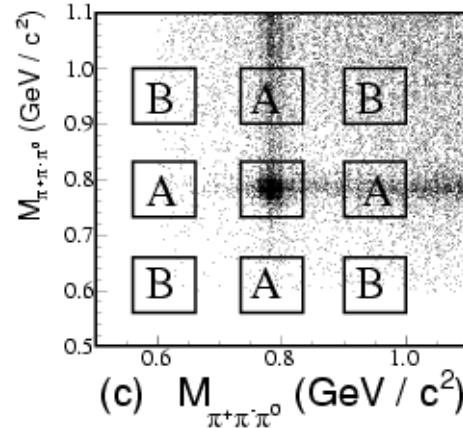
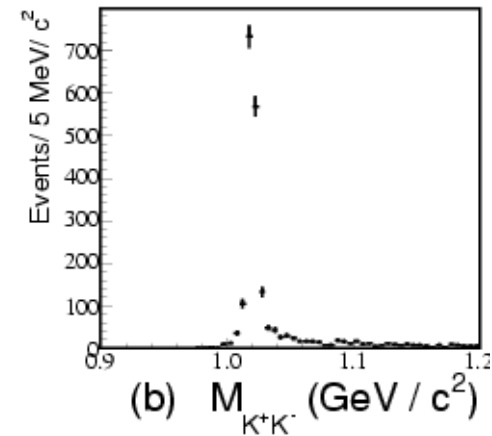
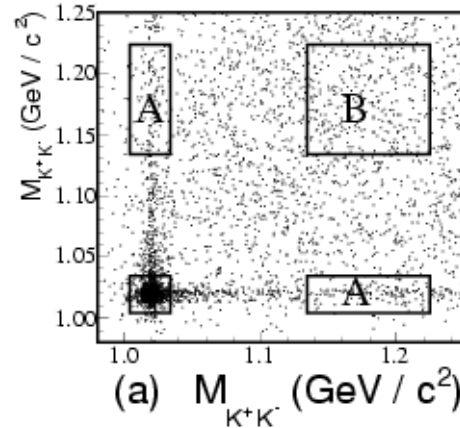
$$\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow VV (V: \omega, \phi)$$

- $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow \phi\phi$ and $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow \omega\omega$ are Singly OZI suppressed
- $\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \phi\phi$ and $\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \omega\omega$ is suppressed by helicity selection rule.
- $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow \phi\omega$ is doubly OZI suppressed, not measured yet

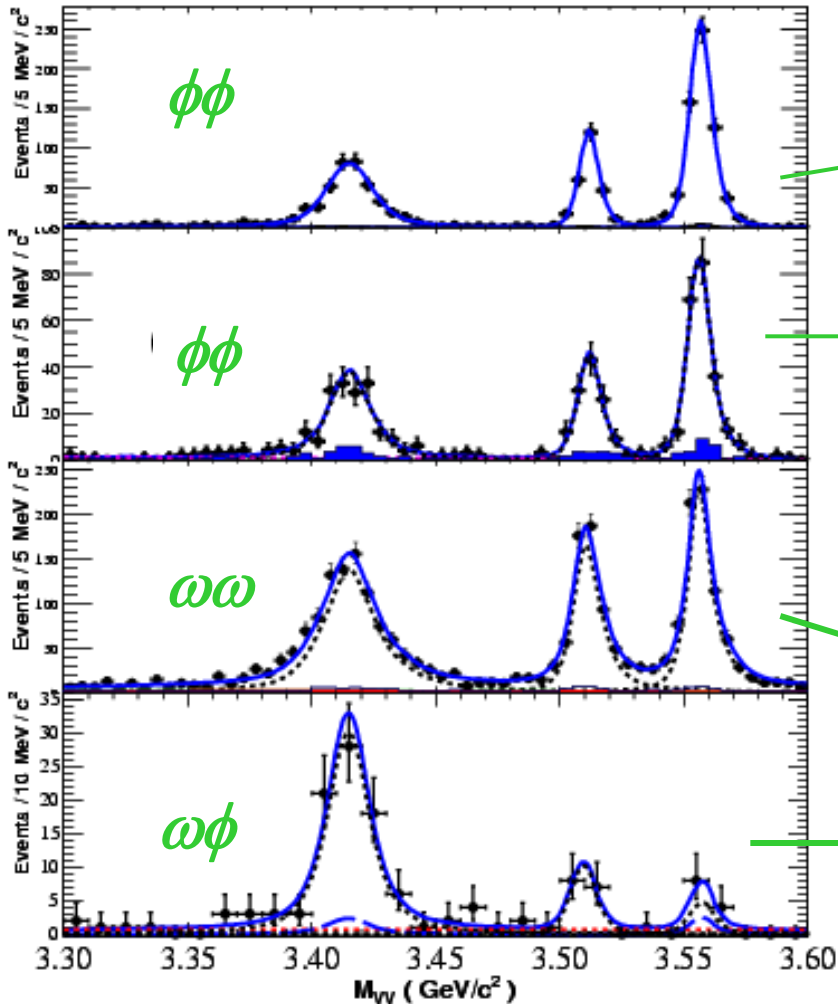
Reconstruct

$$\phi \rightarrow K^+ K^-, \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$$

$$\omega \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$$



$\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow VV$ at BESIII



Mode	N_{net}	ϵ (%)	$\mathcal{B}(\times 10^{-4})$
$\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \phi\phi$	433 ± 23	22.4	$7.8 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.8$
$\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \phi\phi$	254 ± 17	26.4	$4.1 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.4$
$\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \phi\phi$	630 ± 26	26.1	$10.7 \pm 0.4 \pm 1.1$
$\rightarrow 2(K^+K^-)$			
$\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \phi\phi$	179 ± 16	1.9	$9.2 \pm 0.7 \pm 1.0$
$\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \phi\phi$	112 ± 12	2.3	$5.0 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.6$
$\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \phi\phi$	219 ± 16	2.2	$10.7 \pm 0.7 \pm 1.2$
$\rightarrow K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$			
Combined:			
$\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \phi\phi$	—	—	$8.0 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.8$
$\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \phi\phi$	—	—	$4.4 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.5$
$\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \phi\phi$	—	—	$10.7 \pm 0.3 \pm 1.2$
$\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \omega\omega$	991 ± 38	13.1	$9.5 \pm 0.3 \pm 1.1$
$\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \omega\omega$	597 ± 29	13.2	$6.0 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.7$
$\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \omega\omega$	762 ± 31	11.9	$8.9 \pm 0.3 \pm 1.1$
$\rightarrow 2(\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0)$			
$\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \omega\phi$	76 ± 11	14.7	$1.2 \pm 0.1 \pm 0.2$
$\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \omega\phi$	15 ± 4	16.2	$0.22 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.02$
$\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \omega\phi$	< 13	15.7	< 0.2
$\rightarrow K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$			

Evidence

First observation

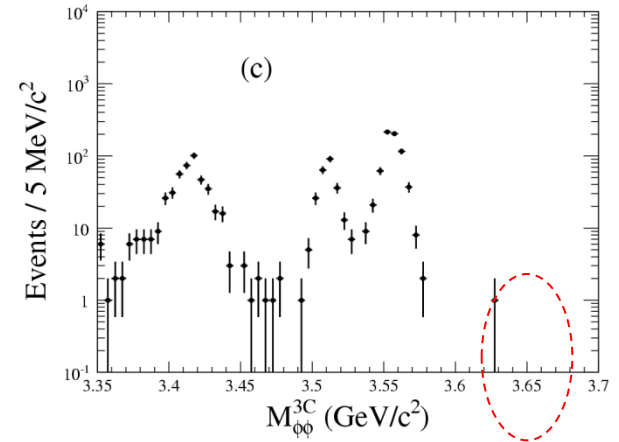
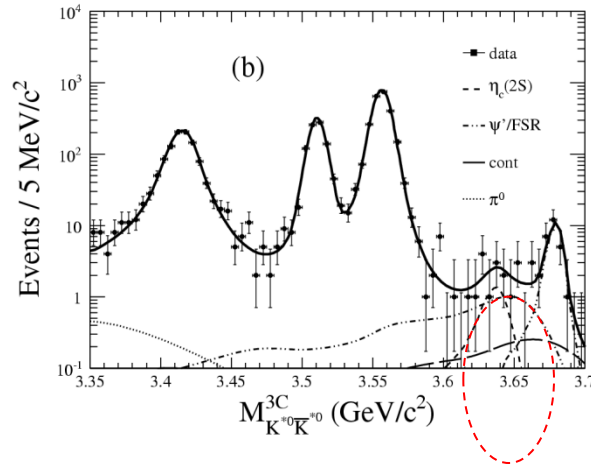
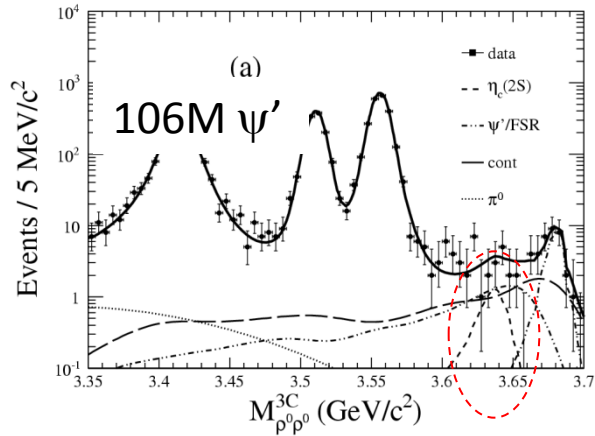
Long distance transitions could contribute via the intermediate meson loops.

PR D81 014017 (2010)

PR D81 074006 (2010)

Search for $\eta_c(2S) \rightarrow VV$

Test for the “Intermediate charmed meson loops”



	$\text{BF}(\psi' \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c(2S) \rightarrow \gamma VV)$ (10^{-7})	$\text{BF}(\eta_c' \rightarrow VV)$ (10^{-3})	Theory $\text{BF}(\eta_c' \rightarrow VV)$ (10^{-3})
$\rho^0 \rho^0$	< 11.4	< 3.1	6.4 ~ 28.9
$K^{*0} K^{*0}$	< 19.4	< 5.3	7.9 ~ 35.8
$\phi \phi$	< 7.8	< 2.0	2.1 ~ 9.8

*No signals observed in $\eta_c \rightarrow \rho\rho, K^{*0}K^{*0}, \phi\phi$;
more stringent UL's are set.*

$h_c(^1P_1)$

- Spin singlet P wave (S=0, L=1)
- Potential model: if non-vanishing spin-spin interaction,
 $\Delta M_{hf}(^1P) = M(h_c) - \langle m(^1^3P_J) \rangle \neq 0$
where $\langle m(^1^3P_J) \rangle = [(M(\chi_{c0}) + 3M(\chi_{c1}) + 5M(\chi_{c2}))]/9,$

- E835 found evidence for h_c in $p\bar{p} \rightarrow h_c \rightarrow \gamma\eta_c$

- CLEOc observed h_c in $e^+e^- \rightarrow \psi' \rightarrow \pi^0 h_c, h_c \rightarrow \gamma\eta_c$

$$\Delta M_{hf}(^1P) = 0.08 \pm 0.18 \pm 0.12 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

PRL 101 182003 (2008)

Consistent to 1P hyperfine splitting of 0.

Theoretical prediction:

$$BF(\psi(2S) \rightarrow \pi^0 h_c) = (0.4-1.3) \times 10^{-4}$$

$$BF(h_c \rightarrow \gamma\eta_c) = 48\% \text{ (NRQCD)}$$

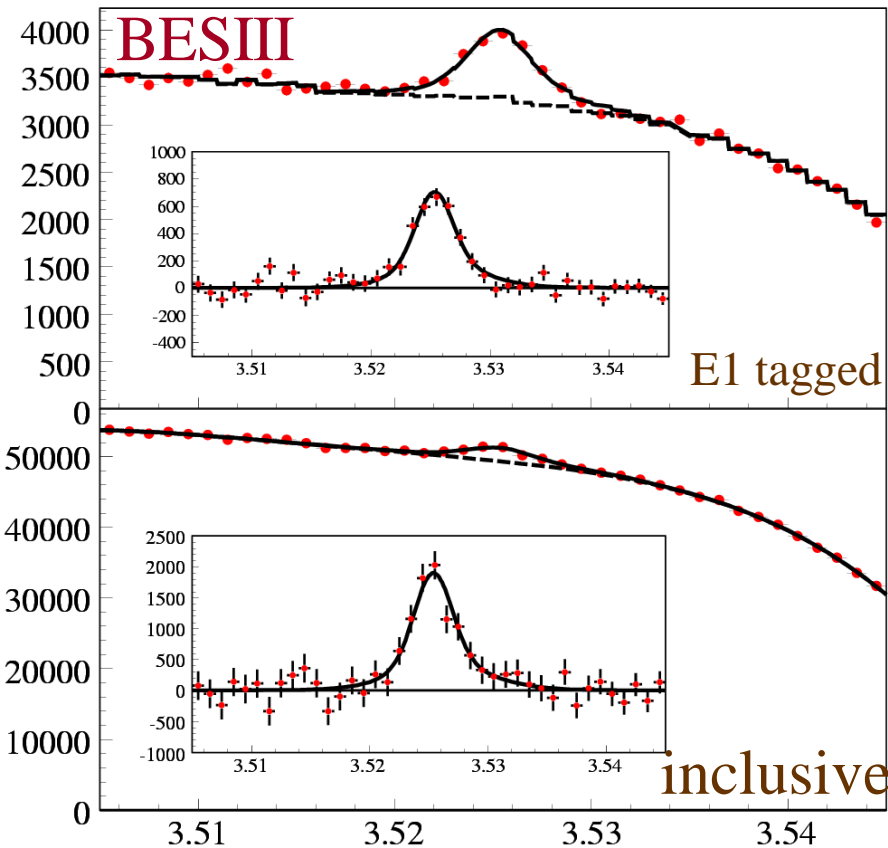
$$BF(h_c \rightarrow \gamma\eta_c) = 88\% \text{ (PQCD)}$$

Kuang, PR D65 094024 (2002)

$$BF(h_c \rightarrow \gamma\eta_c) = 38\%$$

Godfrey and Rosner, PR D66 014012(2002)

$$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \pi^0 h_c, h_c \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c$$



BESIII: PRL 104 132002 (2010)

Mass = $3525.40 \pm 0.13 \pm 0.18$ MeV/c²

Width = $0.73 \pm 0.45 \pm 0.28$ MeV

<1.44 MeV @90%

CLEOc: PRL 101 182003 (2008)

Mass = $3525.28 \pm 0.19 \pm 0.12$ MeV

Width: fixed at 0.9 MeV

Hyperfine mass splitting

$$\Delta M_{\text{hf}}(1P) = M(h_c) - \langle m(1\ 3P_J) \rangle$$

BESIII: $0.10 \pm 0.13 \pm 0.18$ MeV/c²

CLEOc: $0.02 \pm 0.19 \pm 0.13$ MeV/c²

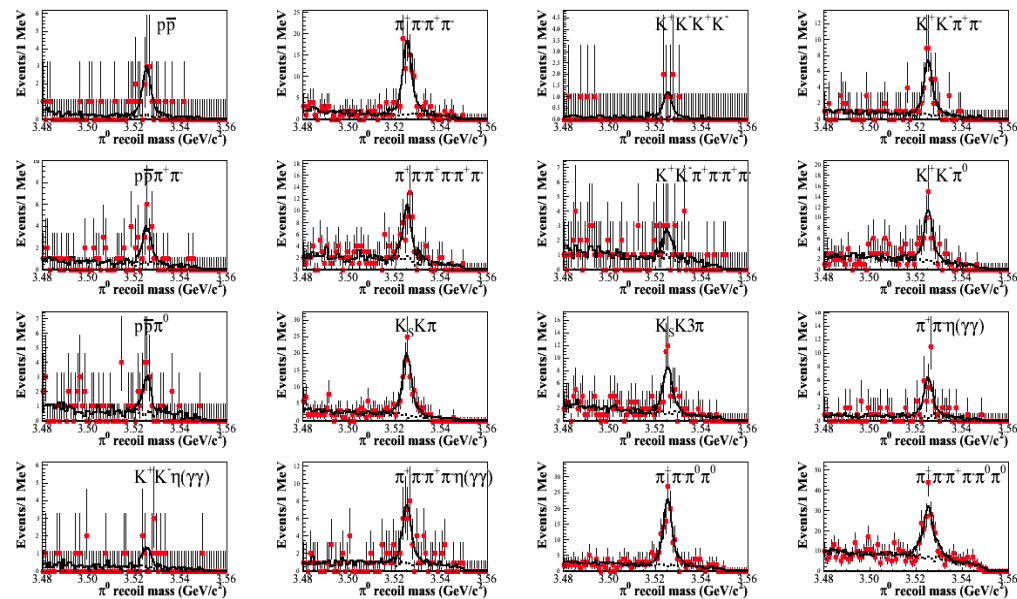
By combining inclusive results with E1-photon tagged results

$$BF(\psi' \rightarrow \pi^0 h_c) = (8.4 \pm 1.3 \pm 1.0) \times 10^{-4}$$

$$BF(h_c \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c) = (54.3 \pm 6.7 \pm 5.2)\%$$

Agree with prediction from Kuang, Godfrey, Dude et al.

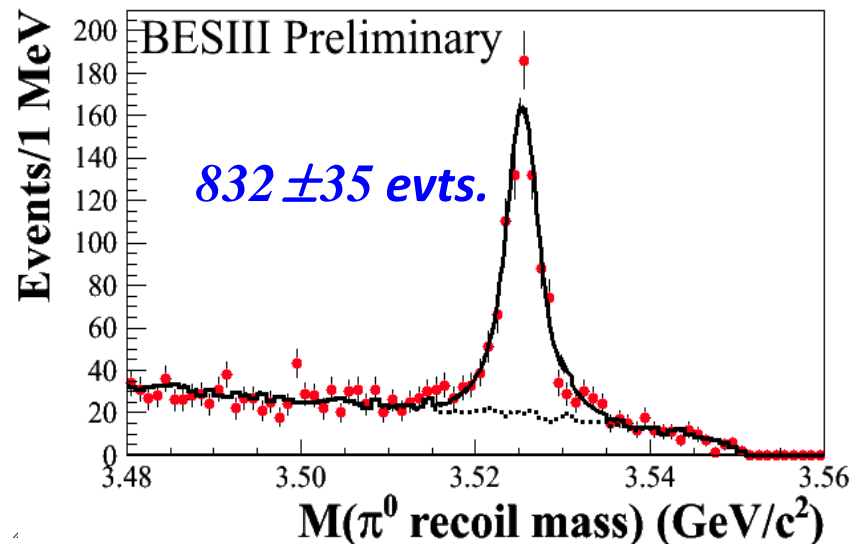
$\psi' \rightarrow \pi^0 h_c, h_c \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c, \eta_c$ exclusive decays



BESIII Preliminary

Simultaneous fit to π^0 recoiling mass
 $\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.} = 32/46$
 Mass = $3525.31 \pm 0.11 \pm 0.15 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
 Width = $0.70 \pm 0.28 \pm 0.25 \text{ MeV}$

Summed distribution



Consistent with BESIII inclusive results

Mass = $3525.40 \pm 0.13 \pm 0.18 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
 Width = $0.73 \pm 0.45 \pm 0.28 \text{ MeV}$

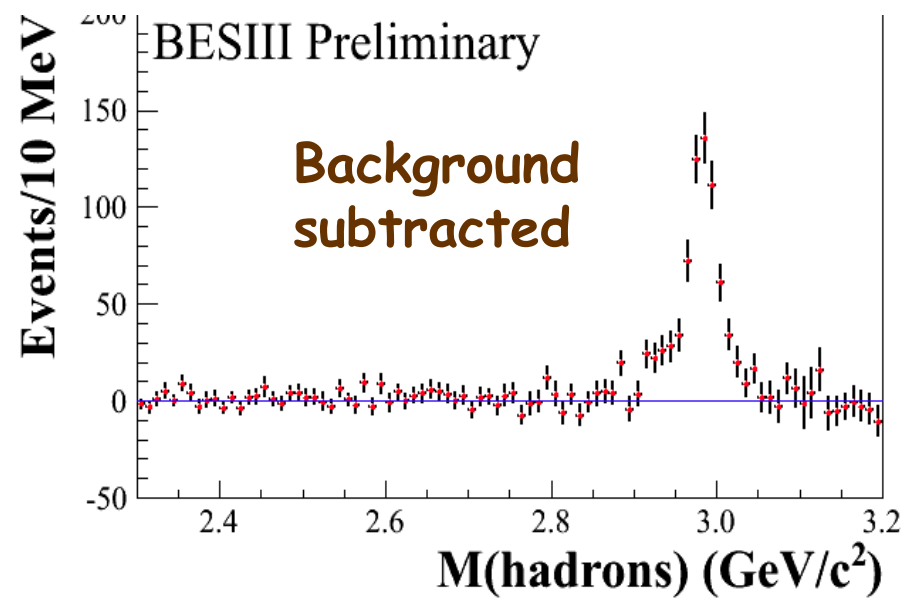
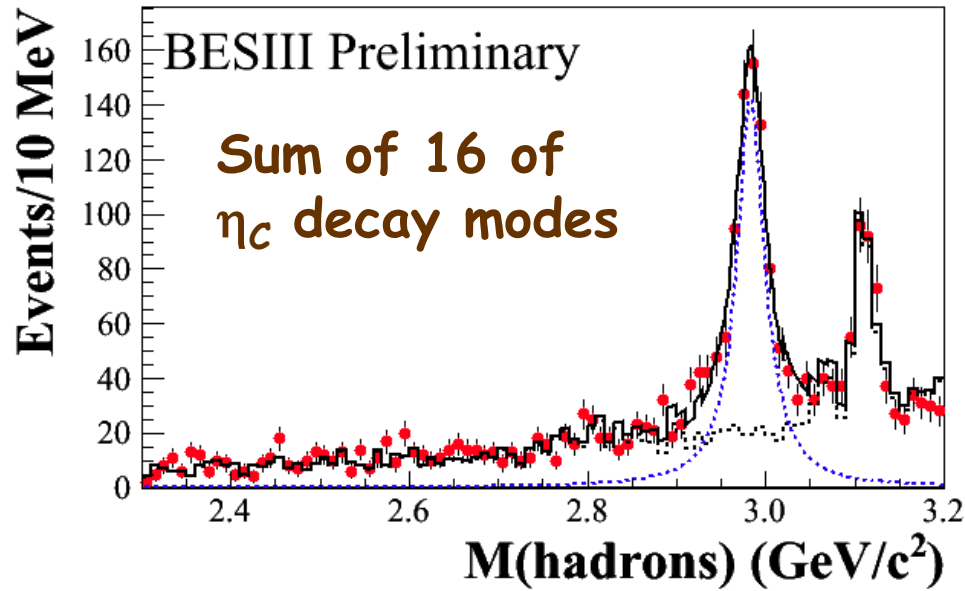
BESIII: PRL 104 132002 (2010)

CLEOc exclusive results

Mass = $3525.21 \pm 0.27 \pm 0.14 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
 evts. = 136 ± 14

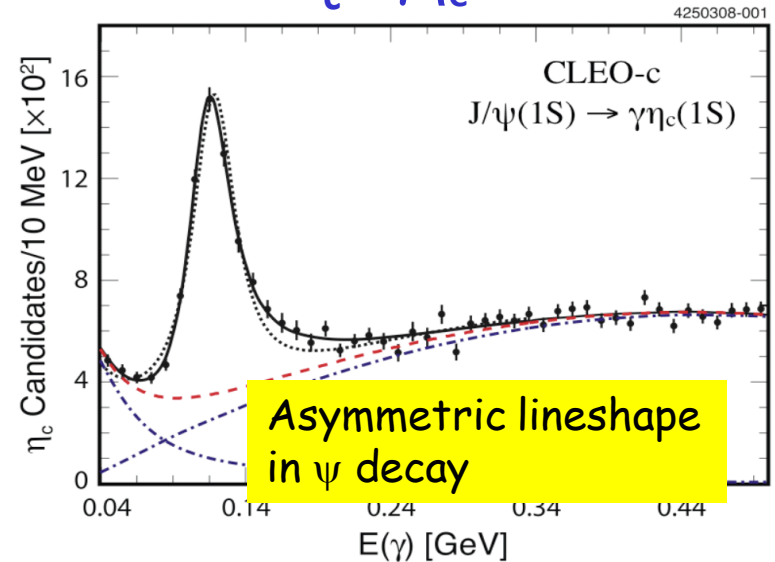
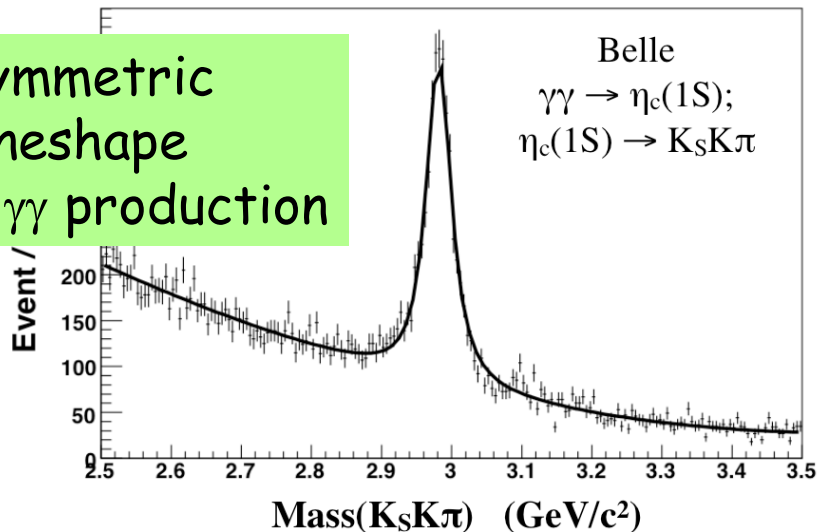
CLEOc: PRL 101 182003 (2008)

η_c lineshape from $\psi' \rightarrow \pi^0 h_c, h_c \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c$



The η_c lineshape is not distorted in the $h_c \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c$

Symmetric lineshape in $\gamma\gamma$ production



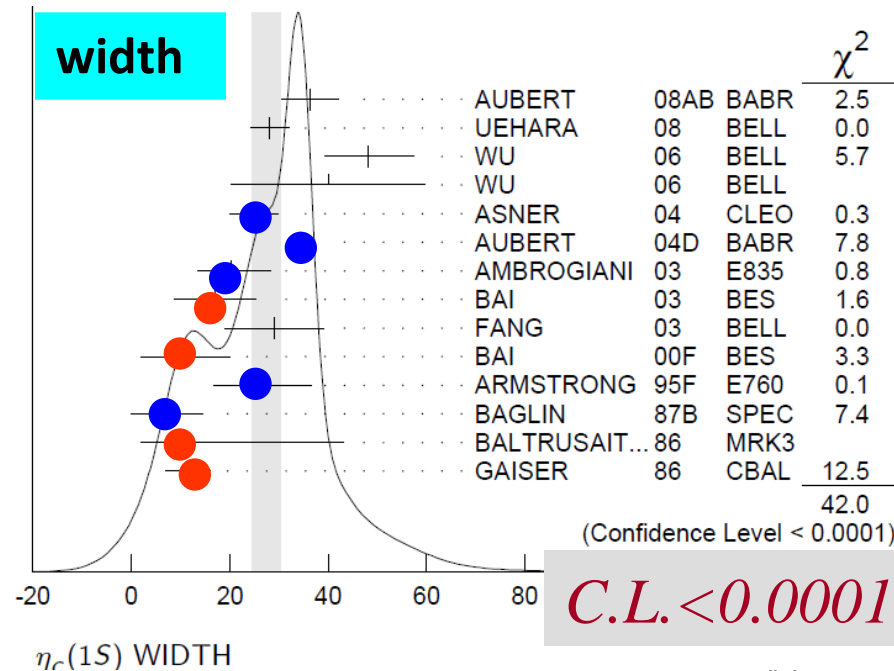
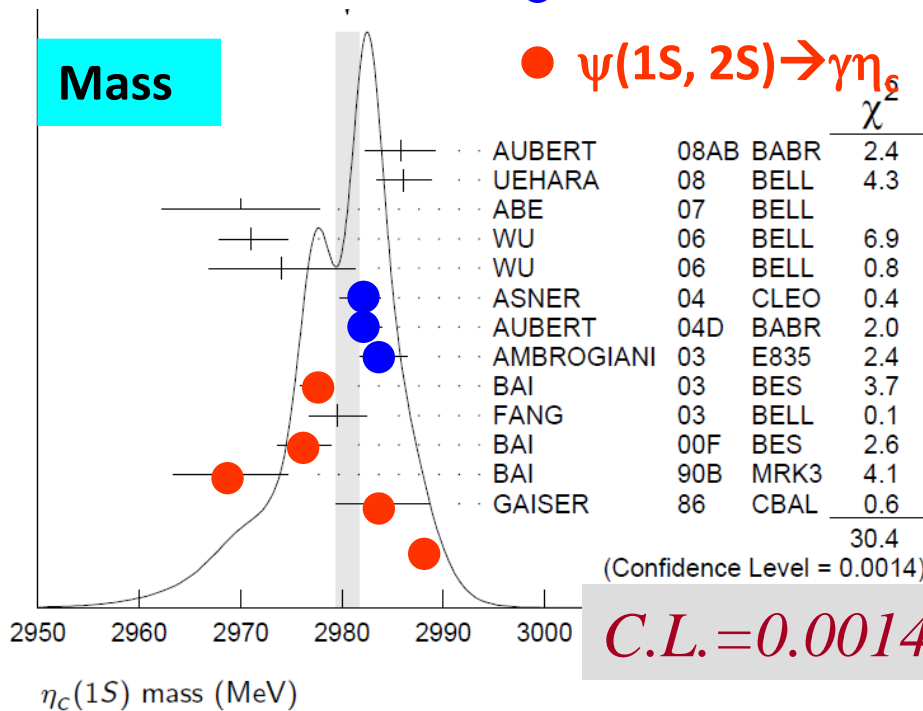
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$\eta_c(1S)$

- The lowest lying S-wave spin singlet charmonium, discovered in 1980 by MarkII
- Parameters:
 J/ψ radiative transition: $M \sim 2978.0 \text{ MeV}/c^2$, $\Gamma \sim 10 \text{ MeV}$
 $\gamma\gamma$ process: $M = 2983.1 \pm 1.0 \text{ MeV}/c^2$, $\Gamma = 31.3 \pm 1.9 \text{ MeV}$
- CLEOc found the distortion of the η_c line shape in ψ' decays.

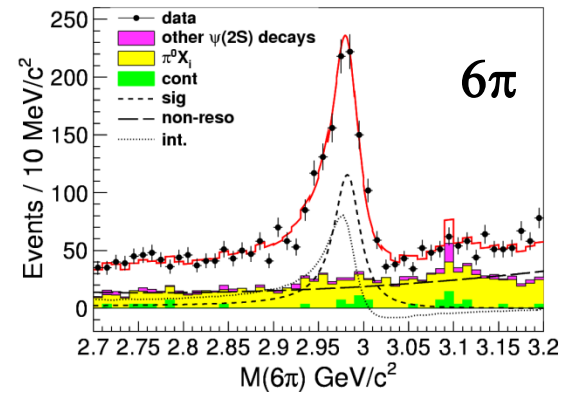
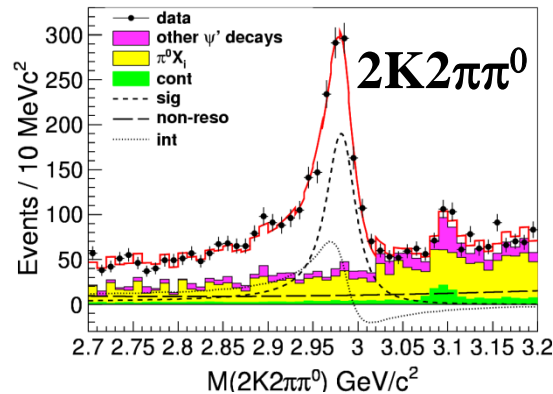
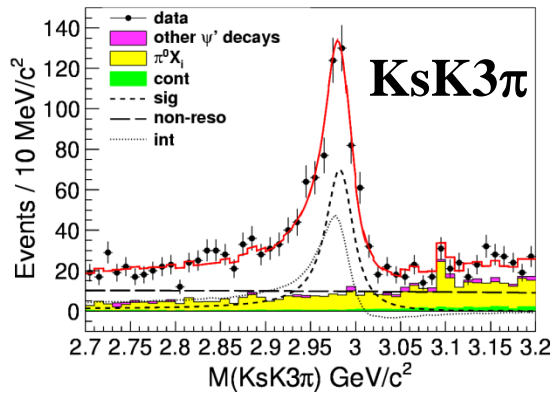
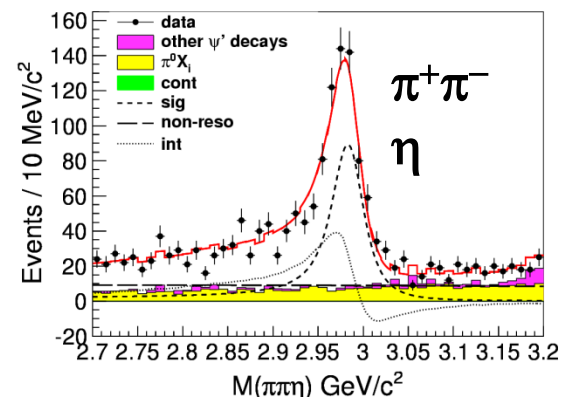
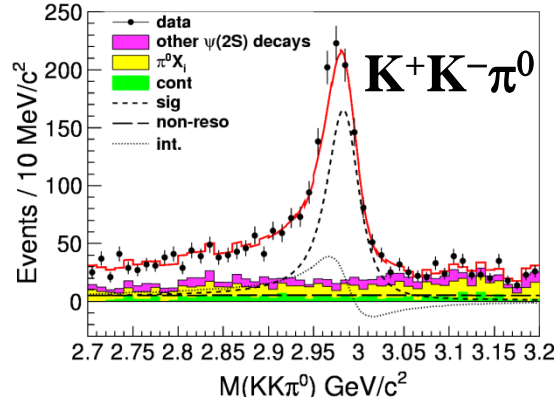
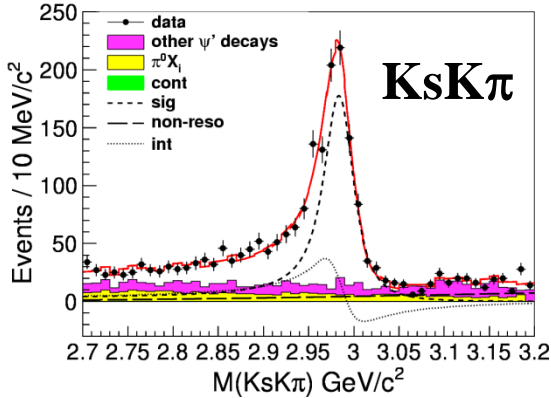
● $\gamma\gamma, pp$

● $\psi(1S, 2S) \rightarrow \gamma\eta_c$



$\psi' \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c, \eta_c$ exclusive decays

Possible interference has been taken into account



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Relative phase ϕ values from each mode are consistent within 3σ ,

→ use a common phase value in the simultaneous fit.

$M: 2984.4 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.6 \text{ MeV}/c^2$

width: $32.0 \pm 1.2 \pm 1.0 \text{ MeV}$

$\phi: 2.40 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.08 \text{ rad}$

$4.19 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.09$

$\eta_c(2S)$

Crystal Ball's "first observation" of $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma X$ never been confirmed
PRL 48 70 (1982)

Observed in different production mechanisms,

1. $B \rightarrow K \eta_c(2S)$ *Belle: PRL 89 102001 (2002)*
CLEOC: PRL 92 142001 (2004)
2. $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \eta_c(2S) \rightarrow KK\pi$ *Belle: NPPS.184 220 (2008); PRL 98 082001(2007)*
3. double charmonium production
BaBar: PRL 92 142002 (2004); PR D72 031101(2005)
BaBar: PR D84 012004 (2011)

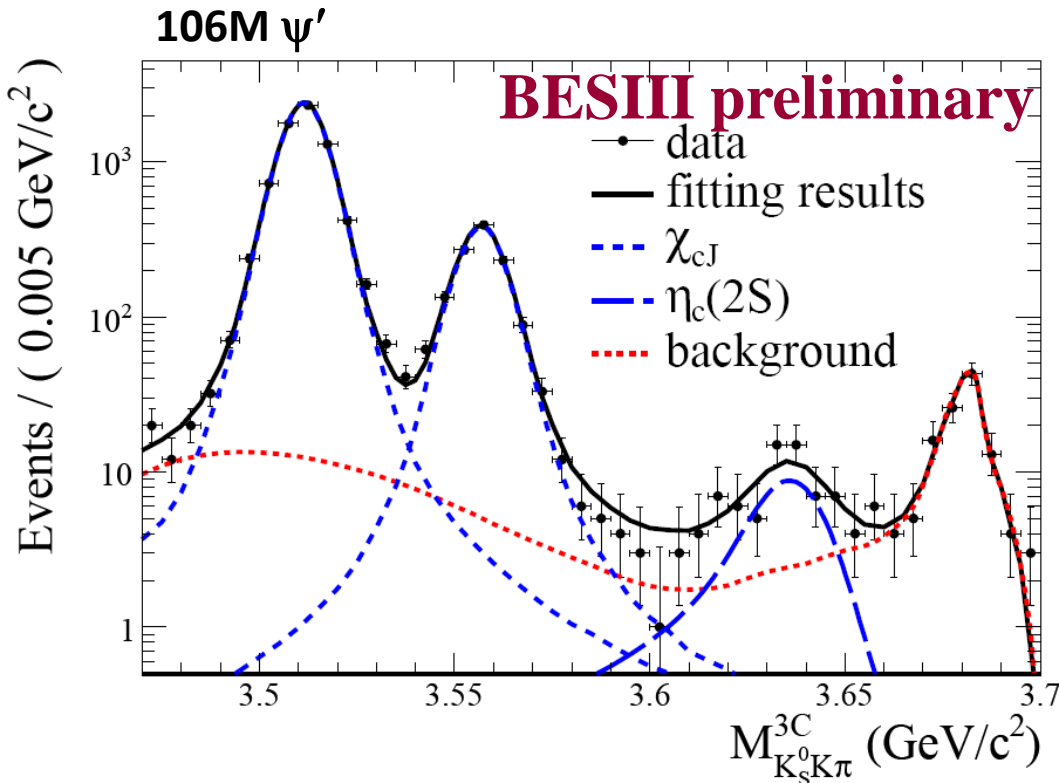
M1 transition $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c(2S)$

CLEO found no signals in 25M ψ' .

$$BF(\psi' \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c(2S)) < 7.6 \times 10^{-4} \quad \text{CLEO: PRD 81 052002 (2010)}$$

Experimental challenge : search for photons of 50 MeV

Observation of $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c(2S) \rightarrow \gamma (K_S K \pi)$



$$BF(\psi' \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c(2S) \rightarrow \gamma K_S K \pi) = (2.98 \pm 0.57 \pm 0.48) \times 10^{-6}$$

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

BaBar: PR D78 012006 (2008)

$$BF(\psi' \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c(2S)) = (4.7 \pm 0.9 \pm 3.0) \times 10^{-4}$$

CLEOc: $< 7.6 \times 10^{-4}$
PR D81 052002 (2010)

Width fixed to 12 MeV (world ave.)

Events: 50.6 ± 9.7 ; Significance $> 6.0\sigma$!

Mass = $3638.5 \pm 2.3 \pm 1.0$ MeV/c²

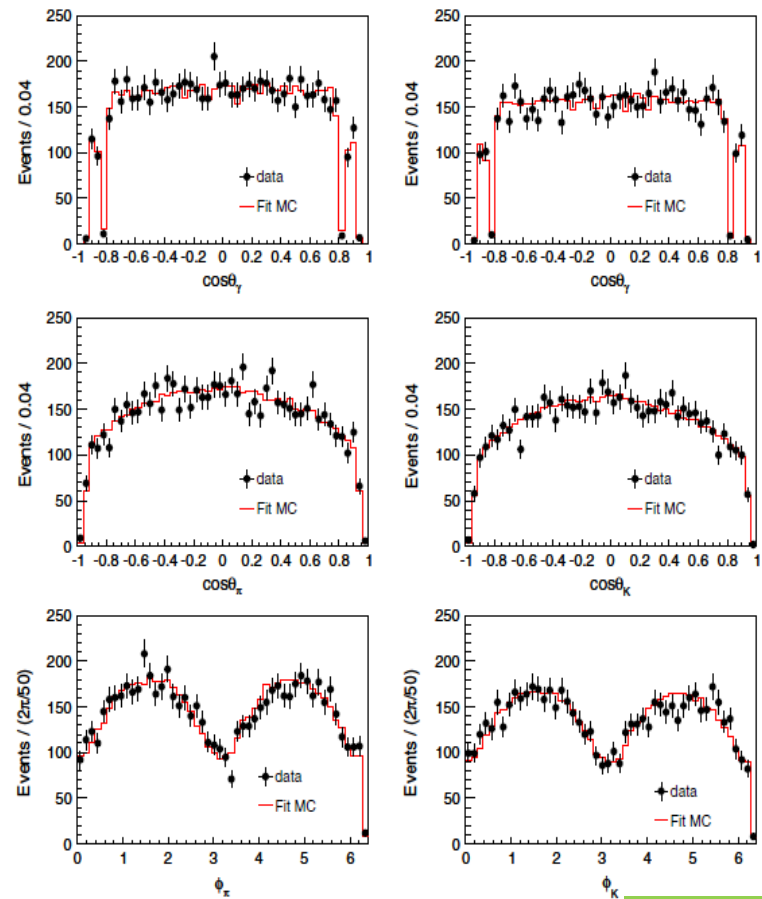
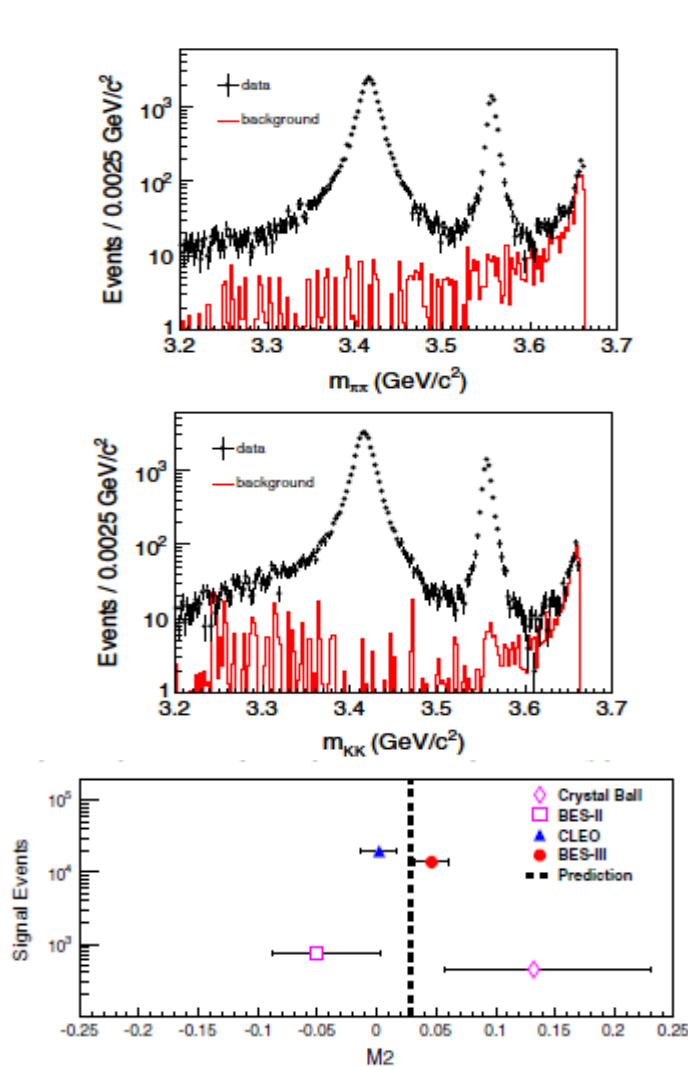
Potential model predicts

$(0.1 \sim 6.2) \times 10^{-4}$

PRL 89 162002 (2002)

Multipoles transition of $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma \chi_{c2}, \chi_{c2} \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-, K^+ K^-$

- Investigate the contribution from high-order multi-pole amplitudes



$M_2 = 0.046 \pm 0.010 \pm 0.013$ 4.4 σ

$E_3 = 0.015 \pm 0.008 \pm 0.018$,

Summary

- Many first observations or measurements on charmonium decay at BESIII. For example $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow \gamma\phi$, $\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \phi\phi, \omega\omega$, and DOZI modes, $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow \omega\phi$. $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow ppK^+K^-$.
- **First evidence of $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma\gamma J/\psi$ is found.**
- No obvious signal is found in $\eta_c(2S) \rightarrow VV (V=\rho, K^{0*}, \phi)$.
- **Absolute $B(\psi' \rightarrow \pi^0 h_c)$, $B(h_c \rightarrow \gamma\eta_c)$, and $\Gamma(h_c)$ are measured for the first time.**
- η_c resonant parameters are measured with higher precision.
- **$\eta_c(2S)$ is observed in the charmonium decay for the first time.**
- The transition amplitude of $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma\chi_{c2}$ maybe contain the contribution from high-order multipoles.

Thank you!