

Highlights and Perspectives at BESIII

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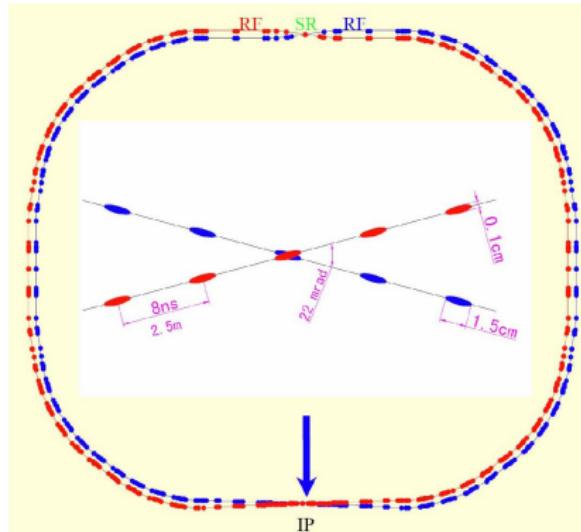


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BEPCII and BESIII



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

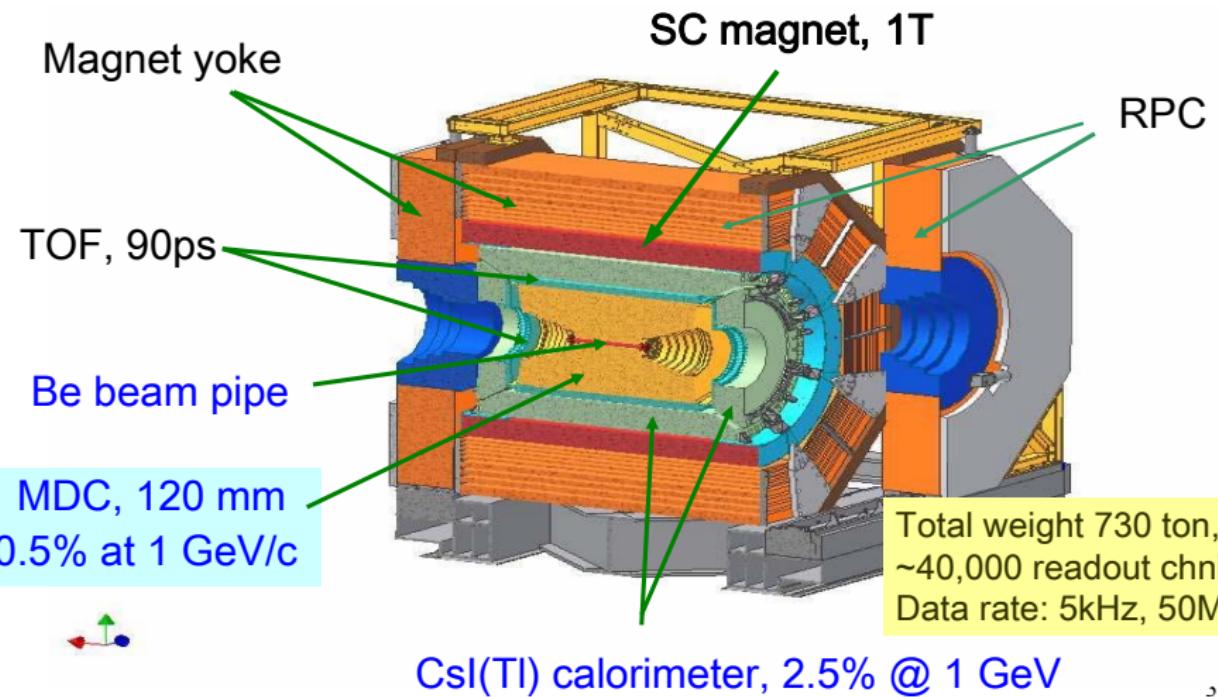
Beam energy measurement:

Laser compton backscattering

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

(≈ 50 keV at τ threshold)

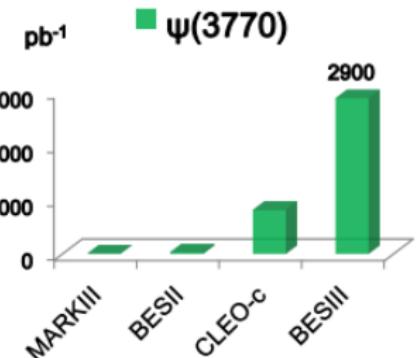
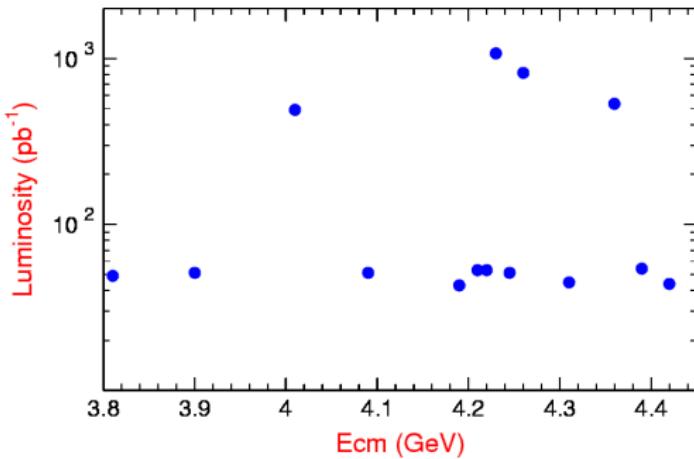
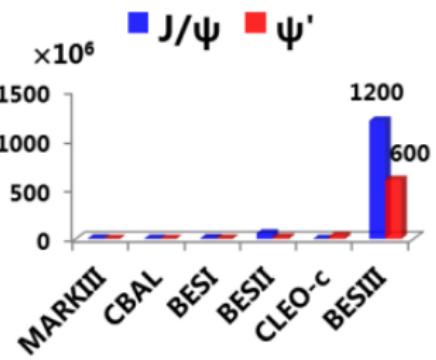
BESIII detector



Completely new detector

Comparable performance to CLEO-c, + muon ID

BESIII data sets



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



Today's

BESIII at BEPCII

Light hadron spectroscopy

$p\bar{p}$ threshold enhancement

Nucleon resonances

Charmonium spectroscopy

$\eta_c(1S)$ properties

XYZ

$e^+e^- \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+\pi^-$ and $h_c \pi^+\pi^-$

A variation of Z_c

$e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma X(3872)$



Light Hadron Spectroscopy

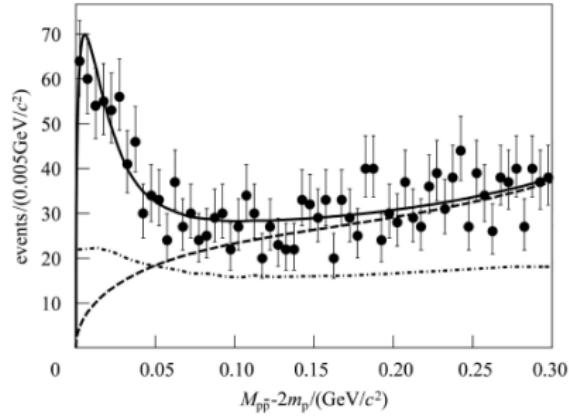
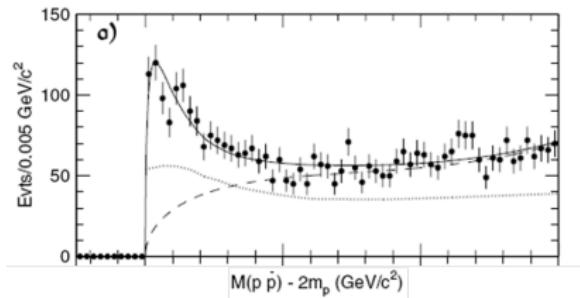
$J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma p\bar{p}$ threshold enhancement

normal meson? $p\bar{p}$ bound state? multiquark? glueball? FSI?

BESIII CPC 34, 421 (2010)

using J/ψ from 106 M $\psi(3686)$

BESII Phys. Rev. Lett. 91, 022001 (2003)



$$M = (1860^{+3}_{-10} {}^{+5}_{-25}) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\Gamma < 38 \text{ MeV} \quad (90\% \text{C.L.})$$

Compatible with S-wave BW

Spin-parity analysis essential to determine nature

$$M = (1861^{+6}_{-13} {}^{+7}_{-26}) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

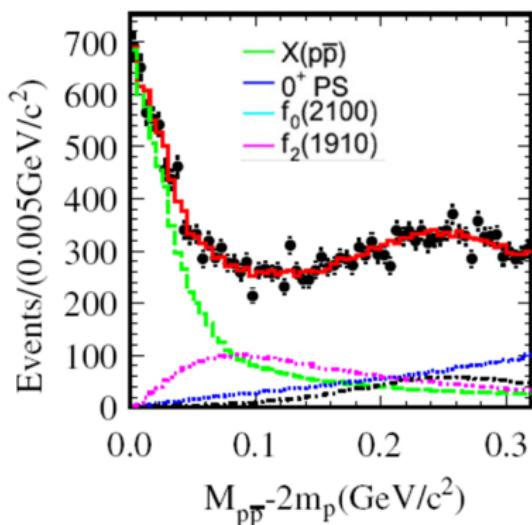
$$\Gamma < 30 \text{ MeV} \quad (90\% \text{C.L.})$$

Compatible with S-wave BW

PWA of $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma p\bar{p}$ at $M(p\bar{p}) < 2.2 \text{ GeV}/c^2$

PRl 108, 112003

- PWA of $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma p\bar{p}$: never done before
- best solution: $X(p\bar{p})$, $f_2(1910)$, $f_0(2100)$ fixed at PDG, 0^{++} phase space, S-wave ($I = 0$) FSI
- Systematics:
 - ▶ $f_2(2150)$, $f_2(1950)$, other resonances from PDG, 0^{-+} phase space
 - ▶ FSI model dependence



Result:

$J^{PC} = 0^{-+}$, preferred over other J^{PC} assignments with $> 6.8\sigma$

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

$$\Gamma = 13 \pm 39_{-13}^{+10} \pm 4 (\text{mod}) \text{ MeV} \quad \Gamma < 76 \text{ MeV}/c^2 \quad (90\% \text{C.L.})$$

$\psi(2S) \rightarrow p\bar{p}\pi^0$

PRL 110, 022001

- 2-body decay:

$$\psi(2S) \rightarrow X\pi^0, X \rightarrow p\bar{p}$$

$$\psi(2S) \rightarrow p\bar{N}^*, \bar{N}^* \rightarrow \bar{p}\pi^0 + \text{c.c.}$$

- isospin conservation:

Δ suppressed

- using 108 M $\psi(2S)$

- best solution:

N(1440), N(1520), N(2090),
N(1535), N(1650), N(1720)

$N(2300)[\frac{1}{2}^+]$

$N(2570)[\frac{5}{2}^-]$

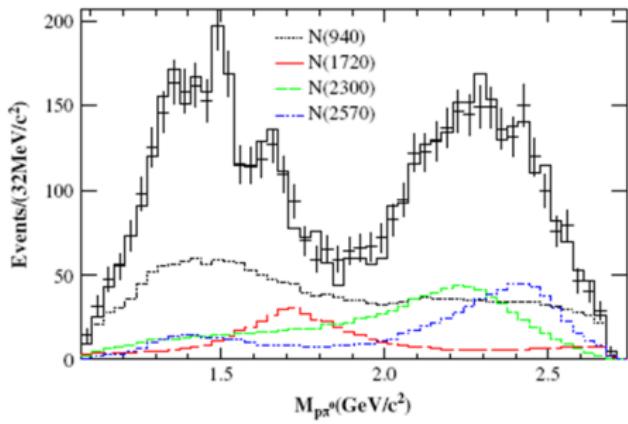
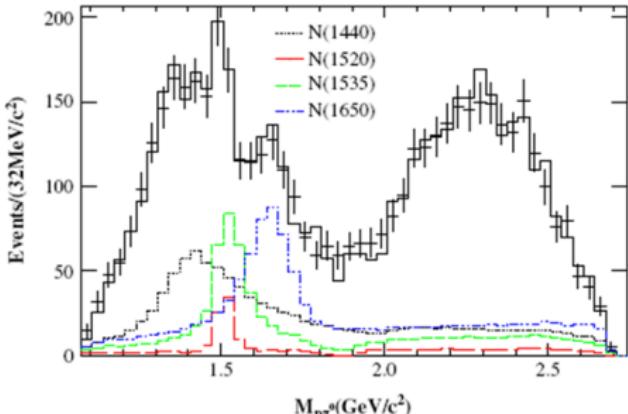
- No need for

N(1885), N(2065)

$p\bar{p} [1^{--}]$ enhancement

- Systematics:

additional possible resonances



Resonance	$M(\text{MeV}/c^2)$	$\Gamma(\text{MeV}/c^2)$	ΔS	ΔN_{dof}	Sig.
$N(1440)$	1390^{+11+21}_{-21-30}	$340^{+46+70}_{-40-156}$	72.5	4	11.5σ
$N(1520)$	1510^{+3+11}_{-7-9}	115^{+20+0}_{-15-40}	19.8	6	5.0σ
$N(1535)$	1535^{+9+15}_{-8-22}	120^{+20+0}_{-20-42}	49.4	4	9.3σ
$N(1650)$	1650^{+5+11}_{-5-30}	150^{+21+14}_{-22-50}	82.1	4	12.2σ
$N(1720)$	1700^{+30+32}_{-28-35}	$450^{+109+149}_{-94-44}$	55.6	6	9.6σ
N(2300)	$2300^{+40+109}_{-30-0}$	$340^{+30+110}_{-30-58}$	120.7	4	15.0σ
N(2570)	2570^{+19+34}_{-10-10}	250^{+14+69}_{-24-21}	78.9	6	11.7σ

 $N(2300)[\frac{1}{2}^+]$
 $N(2570)[\frac{5}{2}^-]$

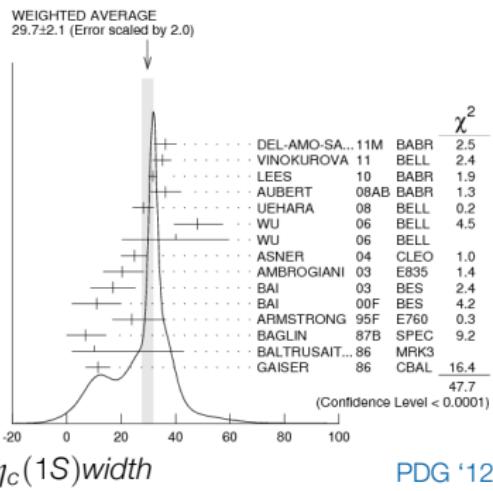
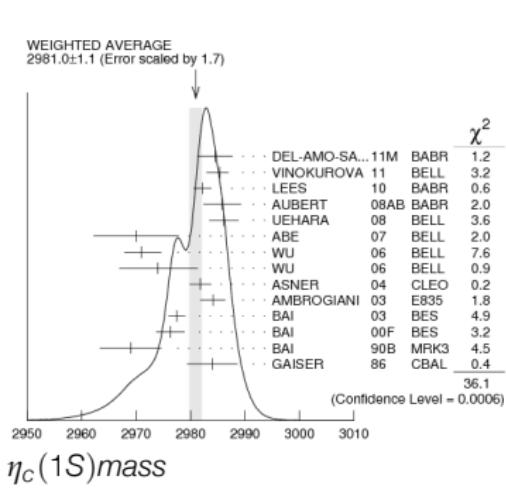
never seen before



Charmonium Spectroscopy

Mass and width of $\eta_c(1S)$

Ground state charmonium ($c\bar{c}$), but mass and width not well known:
Tension between radiative J/ψ transitions and production in $\gamma\gamma, p\bar{p}, B$ decays



PDG '12

CLEO-c found distortion in $\eta_c(1S)$ line shape

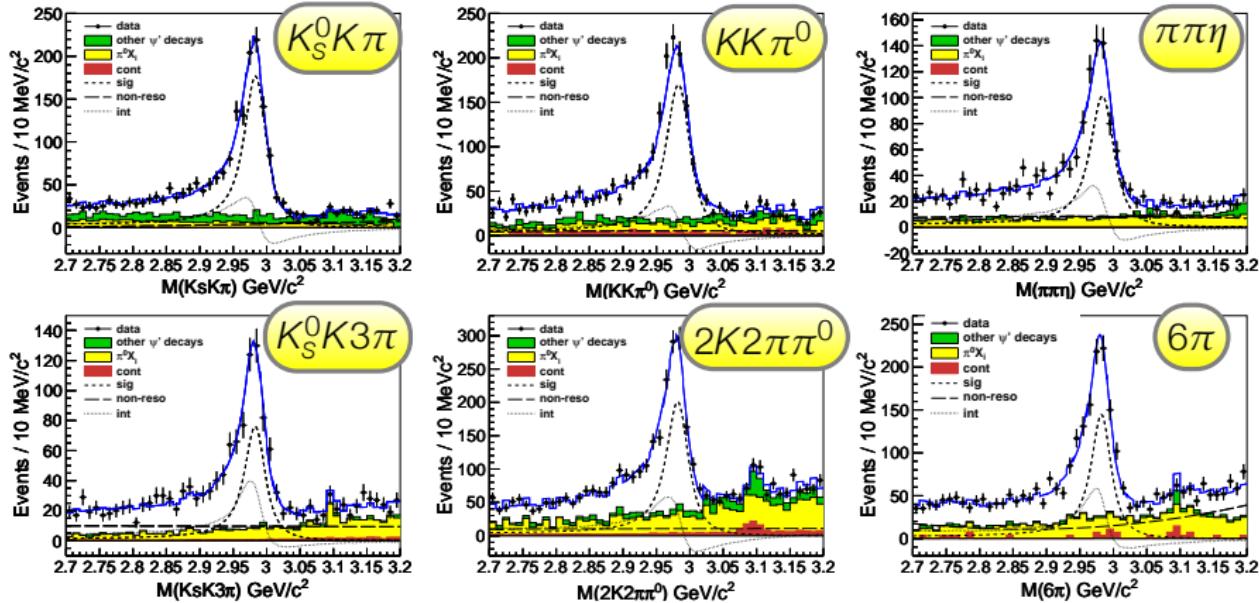
Phys. Rev. Lett. **102**, 011801

$c\bar{c}$ hyperfine splitting: $\Delta m_{hf}(1S) \equiv m(J/\psi) - m(\eta_c)$

important experimental input for Lattice QCD, dominated by $\Delta m(\eta_c)$

$\psi(3686) \rightarrow \gamma\eta_c(1S)$, η_c exclusive decays

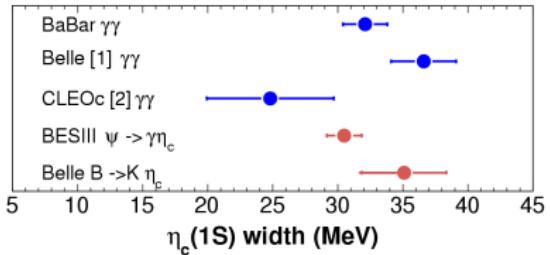
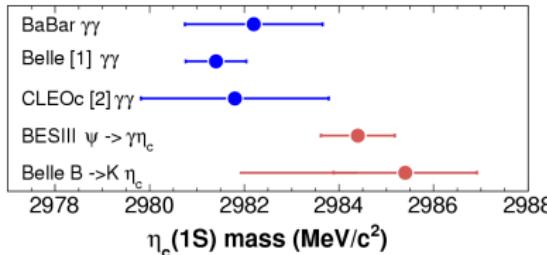
PRL 108, 222002
using 106 M $\psi(3686)$



Interference with non-resonant decay important! All decay channels show same relative phase within 3σ \Rightarrow fix to common value in fit

$$\begin{aligned} m(\eta_c) &= 2984.3 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.6 \text{ MeV}/c^2 \\ \Gamma(\eta_c) &= 32.0 \pm 1.2 \pm 1.0 \text{ MeV} \\ \phi &= 2.40 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.08 \text{ rad} \quad \text{or} \\ &= 4.19 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.09 \text{ rad} \end{aligned}$$

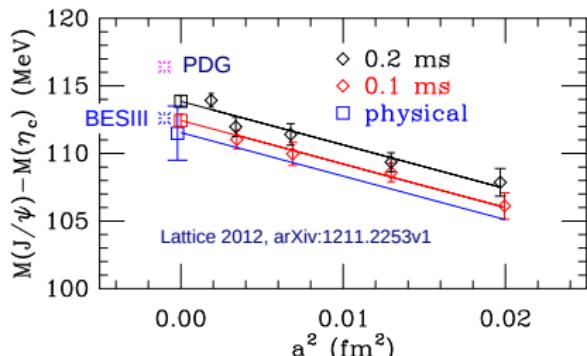
$\eta_c(1S)$ mass and width



plots: S. Olson

Consistent with results from B factories in other production mechanisms.

Line shape, interference with non-resonant decays important



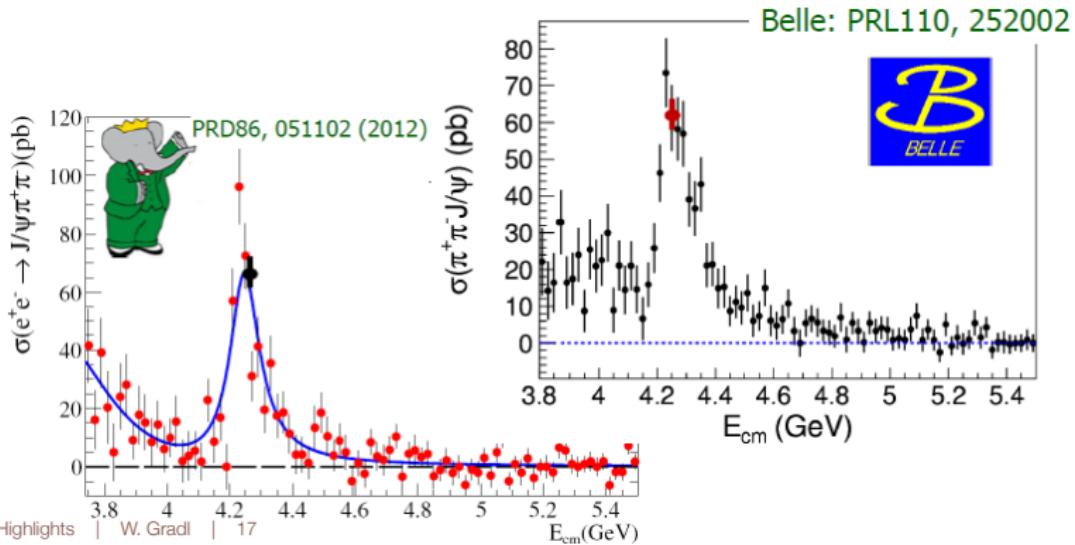
Hyperfine splitting
 $\Delta m(1S) = 112.6 \pm 0.8 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
→ in better agreement with LQCD and quark model predictions



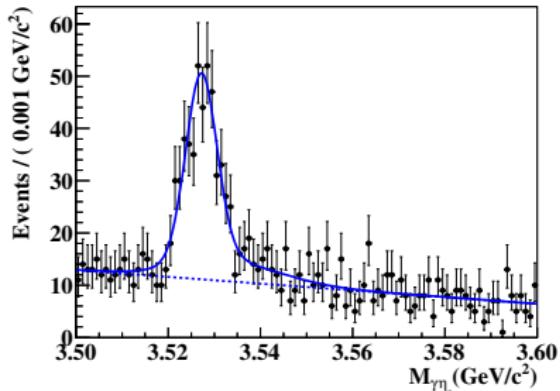
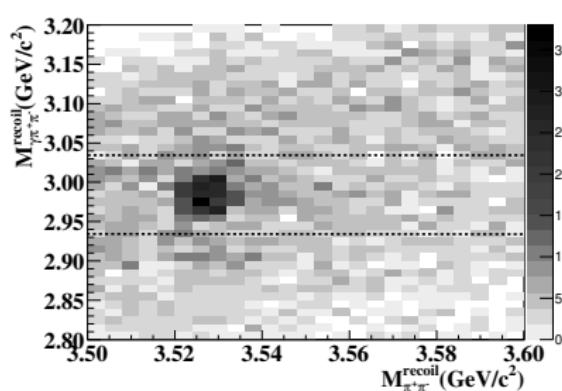
Exotic charmonium-like states

$e^+e^- \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+\pi^-$ at 4.26 GeV

- 1⁻⁻ resonance Y(4260) seen in ISR production at e^+e^-
BABAR, PRL 95, 142001 (2005); CLEO, PRD 74, 091104 (2006); Belle, PRL 99, 182004 (2007)
- No obvious place in charmonium spectrum; unexpectedly large decay rate into $J/\psi\pi^+\pi^-$ for charmonium state
- BESIII: take large datasets (500 – 1000 pb⁻¹) at interesting \sqrt{s}
- $\sigma^B(e^+e^- \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+\pi^-) = (62.9 \pm 1.9 \pm 3.7) \text{ pb}$
in good agreement with BABAR and Belle



Reconstruct $h_c \rightarrow \gamma\eta_c$, $\eta_c \rightarrow 16$ exclusive hadronic modes



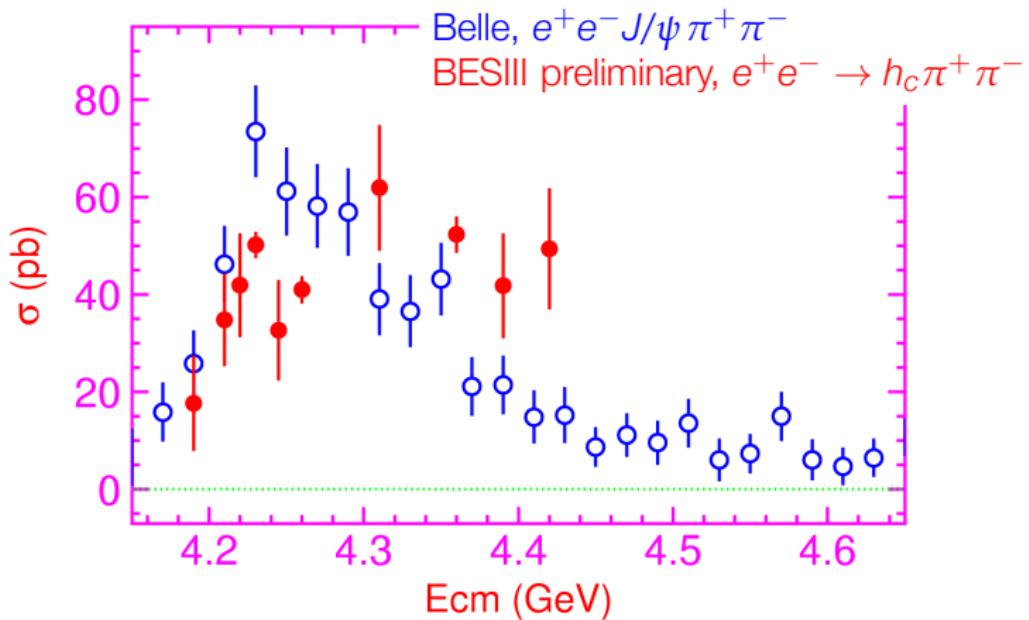
at $\sqrt{s} = 4.26 \text{ GeV}$

$h_c\pi^+\pi^-$ sample sizes

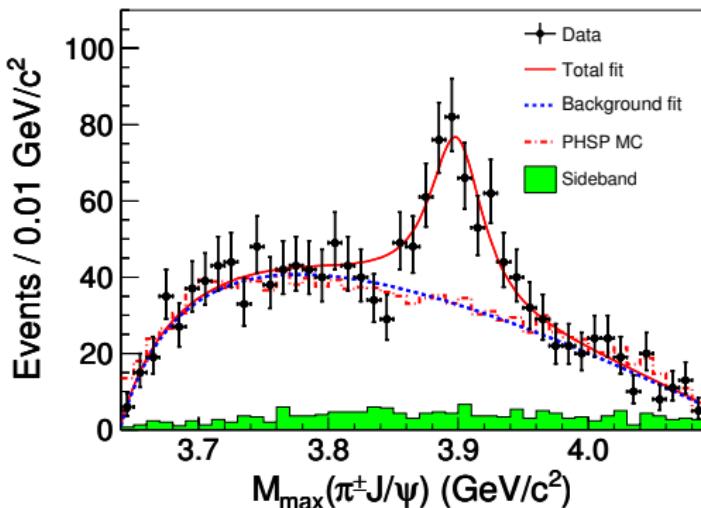
\sqrt{s}	\mathcal{L}_{int}	N_{cand}
4.23	1090	859
4.26	827	568
4.36	545	469

Purity $\sim 65\%$

Cross section comparison



- $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow h_c \pi^+\pi^-) \approx \sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+\pi^-)$,
but different line shape
- Local maximum around 4.23 GeV?
- Broad structure around 4.4 GeV?

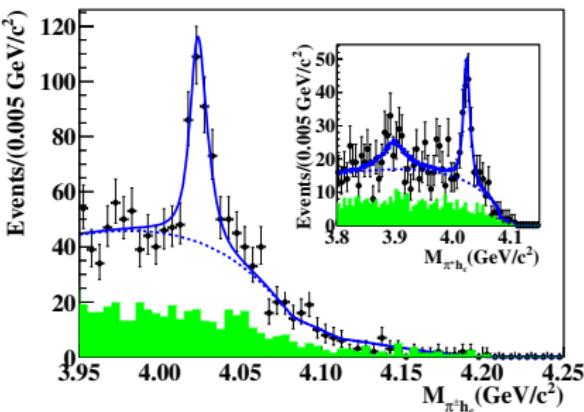
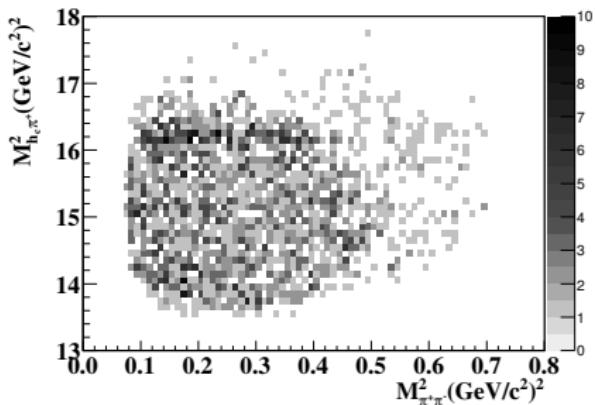


- 1D fit to extract resonance parameters,
S-wave Breit Wigner with phase space factor & efficiency corr.
- $M = (3899.0 \pm 3.6 \pm 4.9) \text{ MeV}/c^2$, $\Gamma = (46 \pm 10 \pm 20) \text{ MeV}$
- Significance $> 8\sigma$
- Confirmed by Belle PRL 110, 252002 and with CLEOc data arXiv:1304.3036

$Z_c(4020) \rightarrow h_c\pi^+$

BESIII preliminary, arXiv:1309.1896 (2013)

- Using data taken at 4.23 GeV, 4.26 GeV 4.36 GeV (total 2.4 fb^{-1})
- See structure in $h_c\pi^\pm$ spectrum, close to $D^*\bar{D}^*$ threshold :



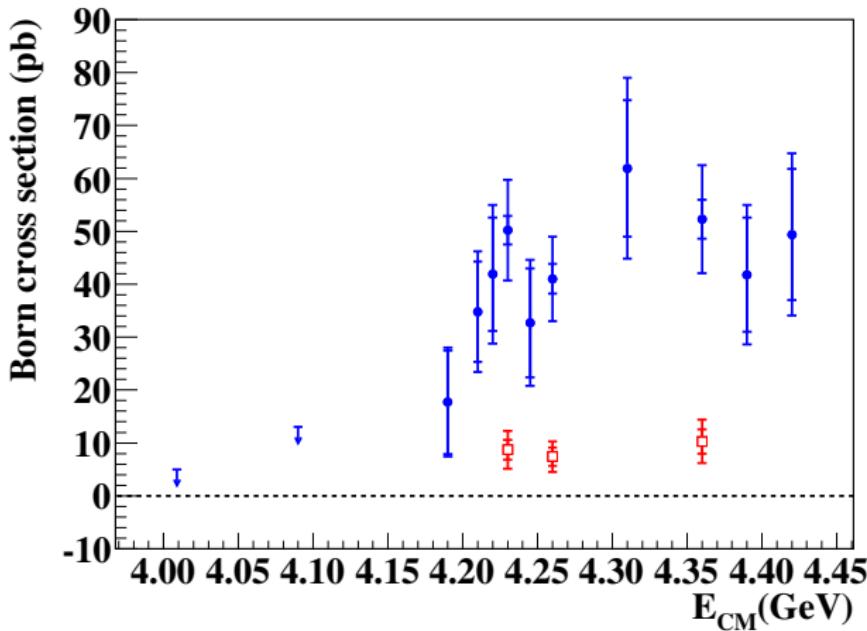
$$M(Z_c(4020)) = 4022.9 \pm 0.8 \pm 2.7 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\Gamma(Z_c(4020)) = 7.9 \pm 2.7 \pm 2.6 \text{ MeV}$$

No significant signal $Z_c(3900) \rightarrow h_c\pi^+$ seen

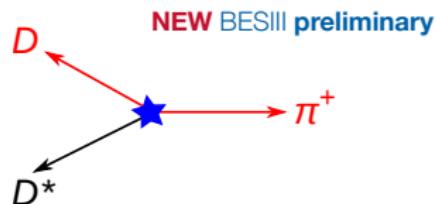
$e^+e^- \rightarrow Z_c(4020)^+\pi^- \rightarrow h_c\pi^+\pi^-$ cross section

BESIII preliminary, arXiv:1309.1896 (2013)



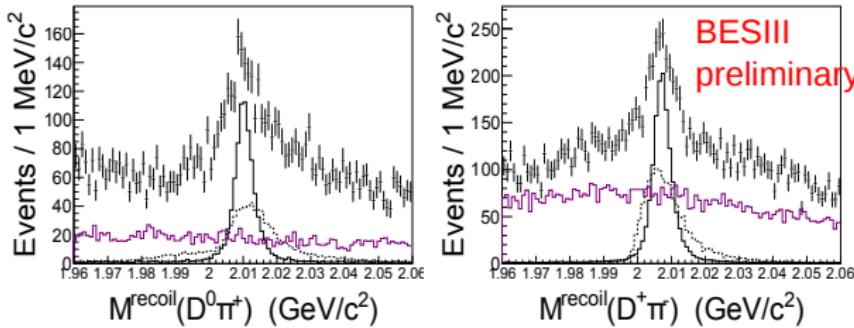
Systematics mainly from h_c and η_c branching fraction
95% of syst. uncertainty common to all data points

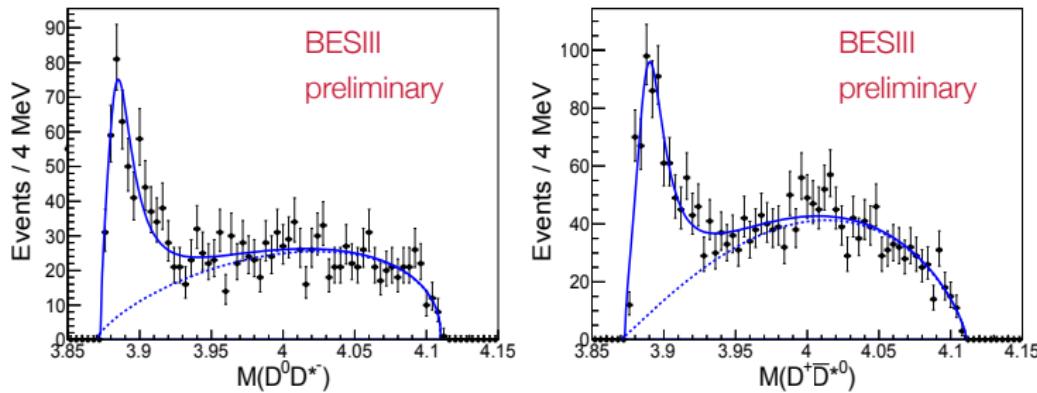
$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow \pi^\pm (D\bar{D}^*)^\mp$$



Single tag analysis:

- reconstruct 'bachelor' π^+ and $D^0 \rightarrow K^-\pi^+$ or $D^- \rightarrow K^+\pi^-\pi^-$
- require D^* in missing mass
- veto $e^+e^- \rightarrow (D^*\bar{D}^*)^0$
- apply kinematic fit; look in mass recoiling against π^+ : see clear D^* signal over smooth background





- Fit with rel. Breit Wigner (S-wave), extract pole position.
- Background modelled with empirical smooth function
- $D^0 D^{*-}$ and $D^+ \bar{D}^{*0}$ give compatible result \Rightarrow average:

$$M = 3883.9 \pm 1.5 \pm 4.2 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\Gamma = 24.8 \pm 3.3 \pm 11.0 \text{ MeV}$$

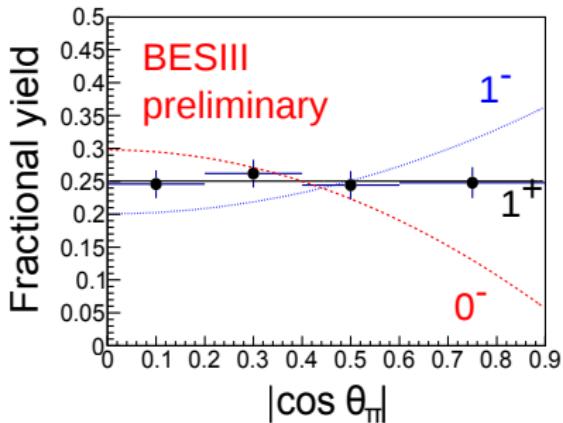
$$\sigma \times \mathcal{B} = 83.5 \pm 6.6 \pm 22.0 \text{ pb}$$

$Z_c(3885)^+$ Quantum numbers?

NEW BESIII preliminary

- $\cos \theta_\pi$: angle between bachelor pion and beam axis in CMS
- 0^+ excluded by parity conservation
- 0^- π and $Z_c(3885)$ in P -wave, with $J_z = \pm 1 \rightarrow dN/d\cos \theta_\pi \propto \sin^2 \theta_\pi$
- 1^- π and $Z_c(3885)$ in P -wave $\rightarrow dN/d\cos \theta_\pi \propto 1 + \cos^2 \theta_\pi$
- 1^+ π and $Z_c(3885)$ in S or D wave. Assume D wave small near threshold: flat distribution in $\cos \theta_\pi$.

Event yield in 4 bins in $|\cos \theta_\pi|$



data clearly favour $J^P = 1^+$ for $D\bar{D}^*$ structure

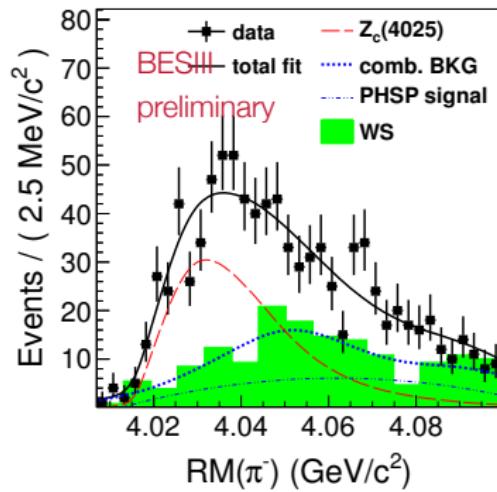
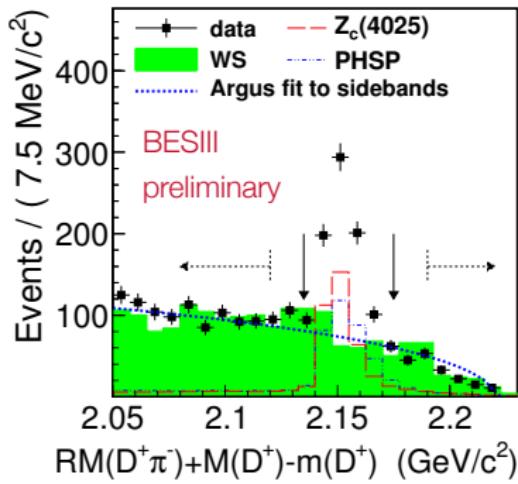
first measurement of J^P for one of the Z_c

$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow \pi^- (D^* \bar{D}^*)^+$$

BESIII preliminary, arXiv:1308.2760 (2013)

Partial reconstruction technique:

reconstruct π^- , D^+ and one π^0 from $D^{*+} \rightarrow D^+ \pi^0$ or $D^{*0} \rightarrow D^0 \pi^0$



Fit to π^\pm recoil mass yields 401 ± 47 $Z_c(4025)$ events; $> 10\sigma$

$$M = 4026.3 \pm 2.6 \pm 3.7 \text{ MeV}/c^2, \Gamma = 24.8 \pm 5.6 \pm 7.7 \text{ MeV}$$

Summary of "Z states"

Channel	Mass [MeV/c ²]	Width [MeV]
$J/\psi \pi^+$	$3899.0 \pm 3.6 \pm 4.9$	$46 \pm 10 \pm 20$
$(D\bar{D}^*)^+$	$3883.9 \pm 1.5 \pm 4.2$	$24.8 \pm 3.3 \pm 11.0$
$h_c \pi^+$	$4022.9 \pm 0.8 \pm 2.7$	$7.9 \pm 2.7 \pm 2.6$
$(D^*\bar{D}^*)^+$	$4026.3 \pm 2.6 \pm 3.7$	$24.8 \pm 5.6 \pm 7.7$

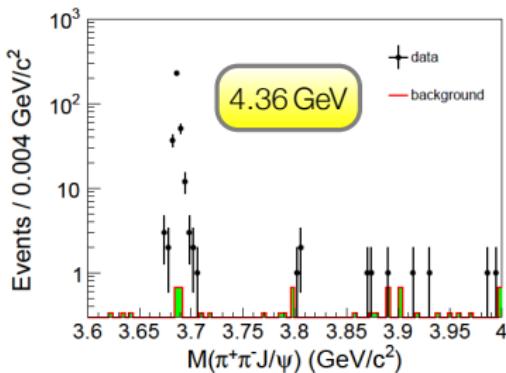
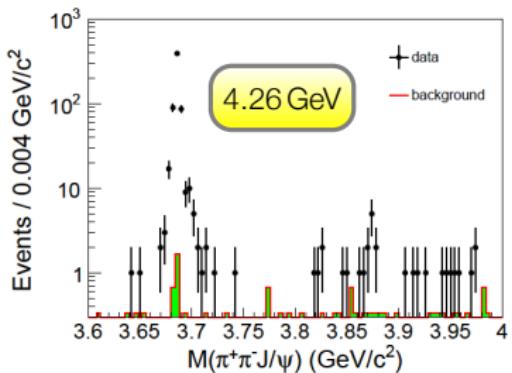
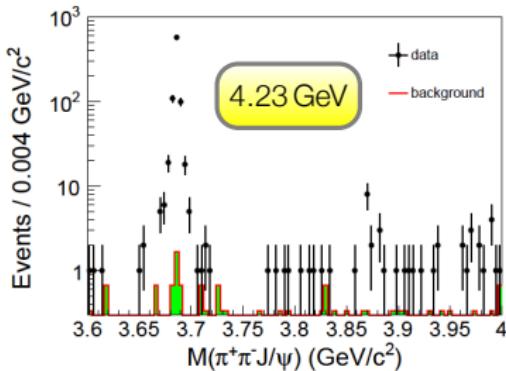
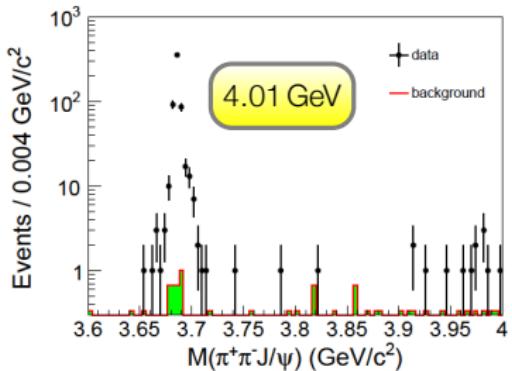
Suggestively grouped the four states — but are they related in this way?

Nature of these states?

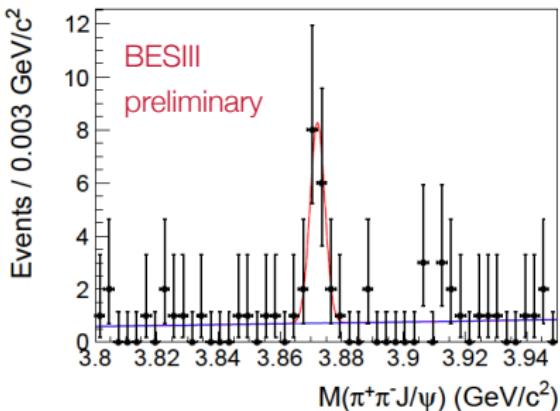
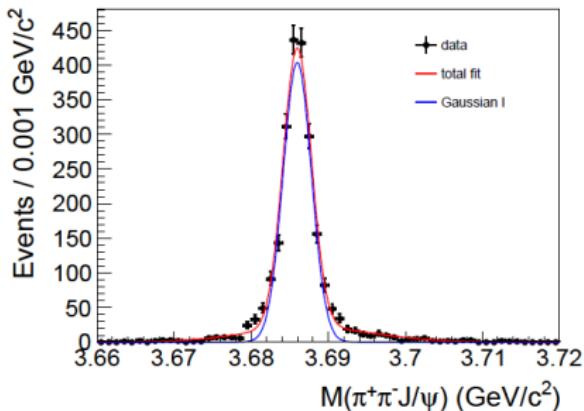
- Tetraquark [L. Maiani, A. Ali et al.](#)
- Hadronic molecule [U.-G. Meissner, F.K. Guo et al.](#)
- Hadro-charmonium [M. B. Voloshin](#)
- Meson loop [Q. Zhao et al.](#)
- ISPE model [X. Liu et al.](#)
- ...

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma X(3872) \rightarrow \gamma J/\psi \pi^+\pi^-$$

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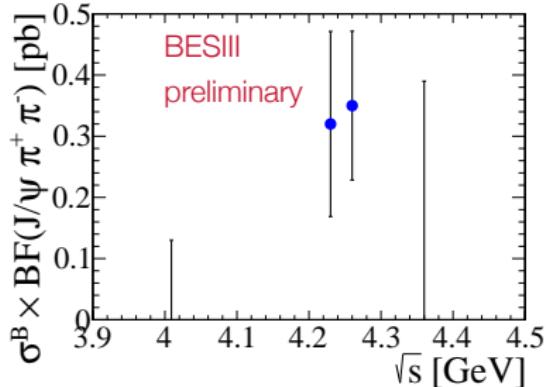
Clear ISR $\psi(3686)$ signal for validation
 $X(3872)$ signal around 4.23 – 4.26 GeV



- Plots show partial dataset at $\sqrt{s} = 4.23 \text{ GeV}$
 - Use ISR $\psi(3686)$ signal for calibration of rate, mass and mass resolution
 - Model signal peak with MC signal width \otimes Gaussian with σ_M
- $\psi(3686)$ $N = 1242$; $M = (3685.96 \pm 0.05) \text{ MeV}$; $\sigma_M = (1.84 \pm 0.06) \text{ MeV}$
- $X(3872)$ $N = 15.0 \pm 3.9$; $M = (3872.1 \pm 0.8 \pm 0.3) \text{ MeV}$
significance $> 5.3 \sigma$

$e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma X(3872) \rightarrow \gamma J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$

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\sqrt{s} [GeV]	$\sigma^B \times \mathcal{B}$ [pb]
4.01	< 0.13
4.23	$0.32 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.02$
4.26	$0.35 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.02$
4.36	< 0.39

Suggestive: radiative decay $Y(4260) \rightarrow \gamma X(3872)$, not from continuum

Combined with $\sigma^B(e^+e^- \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-) = (62.9 \pm 4.2) \text{ pb}$

$$\frac{\sigma^B[e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma X(3872)] \times \mathcal{B}(X \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-)}{\sigma^B(e^+e^- \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-)} = (5.6 \pm 2.0) \times 10^{-3}$$

Assuming $\mathcal{B}(X \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-) \approx 5\% : \text{large transition ratio}$

$$\frac{\sigma^B[e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma X(3872)]}{\sigma^B(e^+e^- \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-)} \approx 11\%$$

Perspectives

- Precise determination of resonance parameters
- Spin-parity assignment: angular analysis / PWA
- More decay modes: $\psi(3686)\pi$, $\eta_c\rho$, open charm ...
- Production mechanisms, production rates
- Test various models
- Search for neutral partners
- Excited Z_c , Z'_c states? $Z_{cs} \rightarrow J/\psi K?$
- Other XYZ states?
- More data at 4.26 GeV and higher energies

Summary

- Rich physics programme at BESIII with large and unique data sets J/ψ , $\psi(3686)$, $\psi(3770)$, XYZ
- Light hadron spectroscopy:
- Precision measurements of charmonia
- Discovery of new, exotic (!) states $Z_c(3900)$...
- Not shown today: precise measurements of
 - ▶ τ mass
 - ▶ hadronic cross sections
 - ▶ transition form factors
 - ▶ open charm decays
 - ▶ ...
- Many new exciting results on their way