

# Spectroscopy of the XYZ states at *BABAR*.

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## Introduction.

□ Belle claims for the discovery of exotic charged charmonium states in B decays.

$Z^+(4430) \rightarrow \psi(2S)\pi^+$  observed the decay  $B \rightarrow \psi(2S)K\pi$  (Phys. Rev. Lett. 100, 142001, (2008)), (Phys. Rev. D 80, 031104(R) (2009)),  $Z_1(4050)^+$  and  $Z_2(4250)^+$  observed in the decay to  $\chi_{c1}\pi^+$  in  $B \rightarrow \chi_{c1}K\pi$  (Phys.Rev.D 78, 072004, (2008))

□ BaBar published the search for  $Z^+(4430) \rightarrow \psi(2S)\pi^+$  with negative results (Phys. Rev. D 79, 112001 (2009)).

□ No signal was also observed in the  $J/\psi\pi$  system in the study of the  $B \rightarrow J/\psi K\pi$  decay.

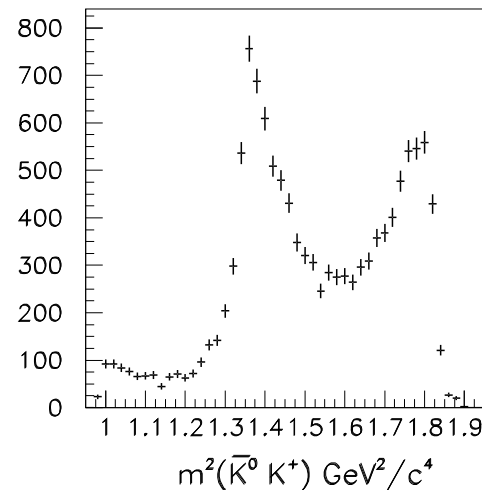
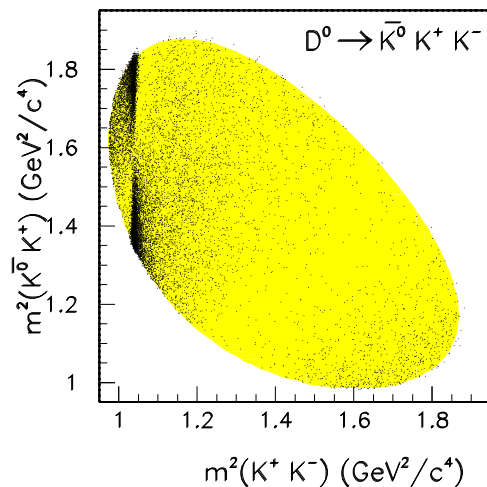
□ A lot of theoretical and experimental discussion. A charged charmonium state is not a simple  $q\bar{q}$  meson.

*The use of charge conjugate reactions is implied throughout.*

## Introduction.

□ Main points of discussion are:

- Interference effects between amplitudes in 3-body  $B$  decay Dalitz plots produce peaks in quasi-two-body mass projections which may not be due to real states. A dramatic demonstration comes from charm decays. Dalitz plot of  $D^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0 K^+ K^-$  and projection along the  $\bar{K}^0 K^+$  axis: structures are not due to resonances.



- The angular structures in  $B \rightarrow \psi(2S)K\pi$  and  $B \rightarrow \chi_{c1}K\pi$  decays are very complex and cannot be described by only two variables as it is done in a simple Dalitz plot analysis.

□ The present analysis from *BABAR* searches for  $Z_1(4050)^+$  and  $Z_2(4250)^+$  in  $B \rightarrow \chi_{c1}K\pi$  decays.

## Reconstructed $B$ decay modes.

- We reconstruct the following  $B$  decays:

$$\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ K^- \chi_{c1} \rightarrow J/\psi \gamma$$

$$B^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ K_S^0 \chi_{c1} \rightarrow J/\psi \gamma$$

- We also make use of the following  $B$  decays:

$$\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ K^- J/\psi$$

$$B^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ K_S^0 J/\psi$$

- where  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  or  $J/\psi \rightarrow e^+ e^-$

- Particle identification applied to all the tracks, except for the  $K_S^0$  daughters. For electrons Bremsstrahlung recovery is applied.  $J/\psi$  and  $K_S^0$  fitted with mass constraint. Geometrical vertex fit performed to the  $B$  meson. Require 0.2 cm flight distance for  $K_S^0$ . In the  $\chi_{c1} \rightarrow J/\psi \gamma$  decay,  $E_\gamma > 190$  MeV. Require vertex probabilities  $> 0.1\%$

- Experimental  $J/\psi \pi^+$  mass resolution: 2-3 MeV/ $c^2$  in the region of the  $Z$  resonances.

- Integrated luminosity: 429 fb $^{-1}$ .

## Reconstruction of $B \rightarrow \chi_{c1} K \pi$ .

□ Signals of  $\chi_{c1} \rightarrow J/\psi \gamma$  after  $\pm 2\sigma$  selection on  $m_{ES}$  and  $\Delta E$ .

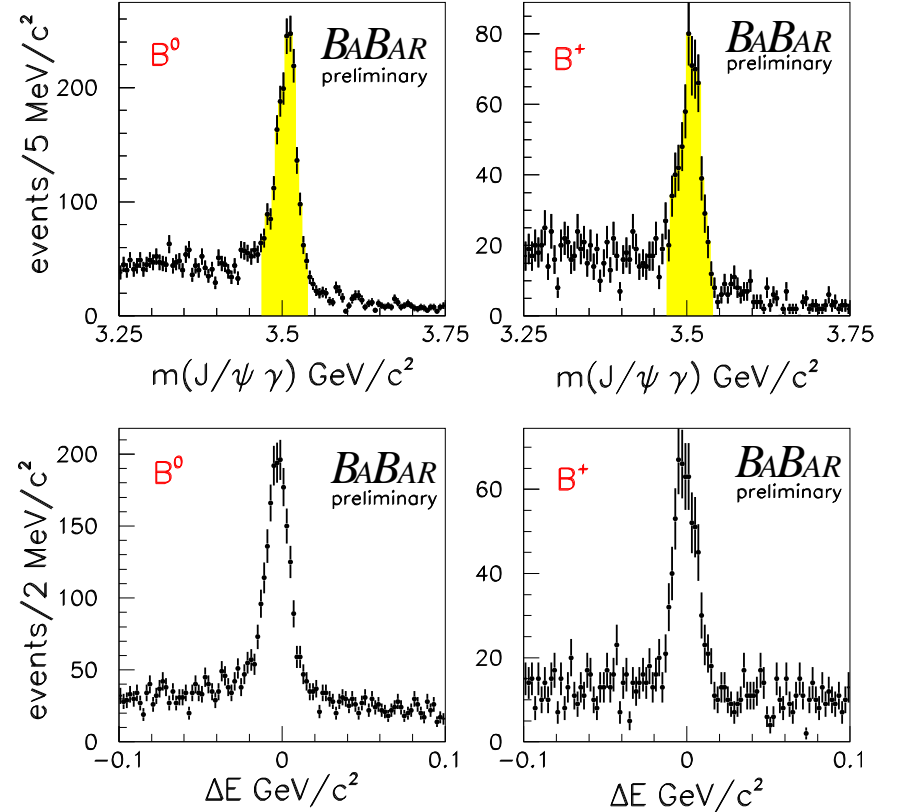
□  $\Delta E$  after  $\pm 2\sigma$  selection on  $m_{ES}$  and  $m(J/\psi \gamma)$ .

$$\Delta E \equiv E_B^* - \sqrt{s}/2,$$

$$m_{ES} \equiv \sqrt{((s/2 + \vec{p}_i \cdot \vec{p}_B)/E_i)^2 - \vec{p}_B^2},$$

$(E_i, \vec{p}_i)$  is the initial state  $e^+e^-$  four-momentum vector in the lab. and  $\sqrt{s}$  is the c.m. energy.

$E_B^*$  is the  $B$  meson energy in the c.m.,  $\vec{p}_B$  is its lab. momentum.



□ Parameters from fits to the  $\Delta E$  distributions.

Channel	$\sigma_{\Delta E}$	events	Purity %
$\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ K^- \chi_{c1}$	$7.3 \pm 0.3$	1863	$78.3 \pm 0.9$
$B^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ K_S^0 \chi_{c1}$	$7.0 \pm 0.4$	628	$79.7 \pm 1.6$

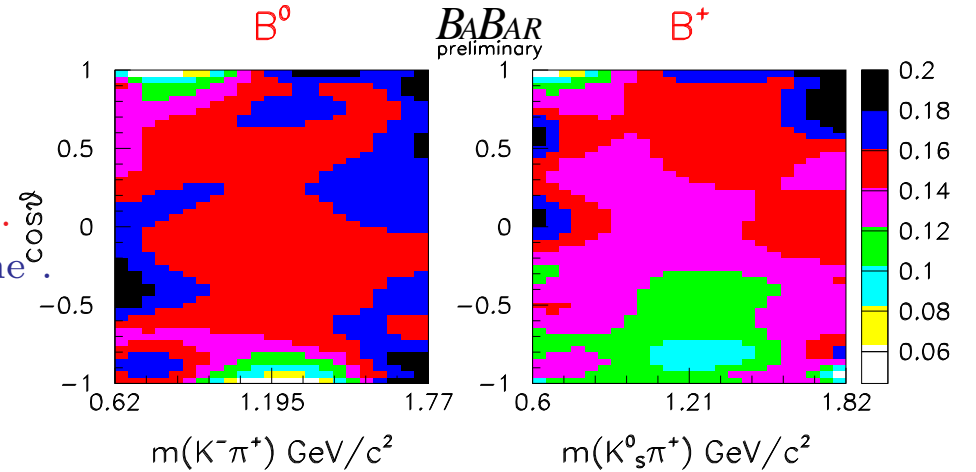
□ Background estimated from the  $\Delta E$  sidebands.

## Efficiency.

- Use signal Phase Space Monte Carlo simulations.
- Parametrize the efficiency as a function of  $m(K\pi)$  and  $\cos\theta$ , where  $\theta$  is the  $K$  helicity angle.
- Divide into slices of  $m(K\pi)$  and fit the efficiency dependence in  $\cos\theta$  using  $L = 0, 12$  Legendre polynomials.

$$\epsilon(\cos\theta) = \sum_{L=0}^{12} a_L Y_L^0(\cos\theta)$$

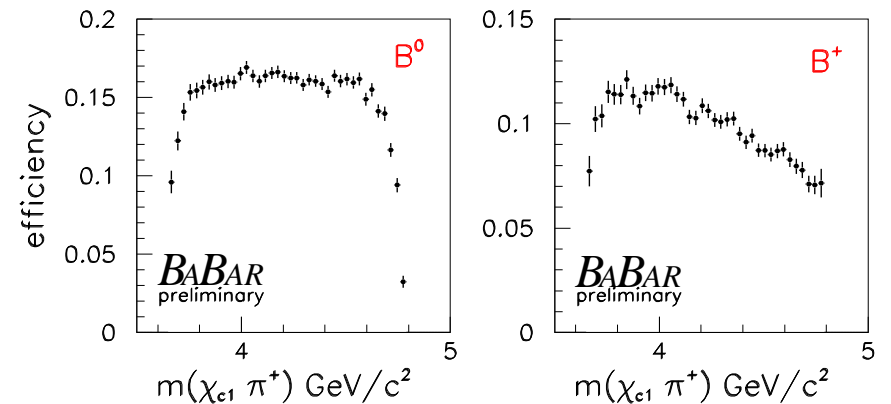
- Fit the  $a_L(m(K\pi))$  using  $5^{th}$  order polynomials.
- Plot fitted efficiencies in the  $(m(K\pi), \cos\theta)$  plane.



- Efficiency as a function of the  $\chi_{c1}\pi$  mass.

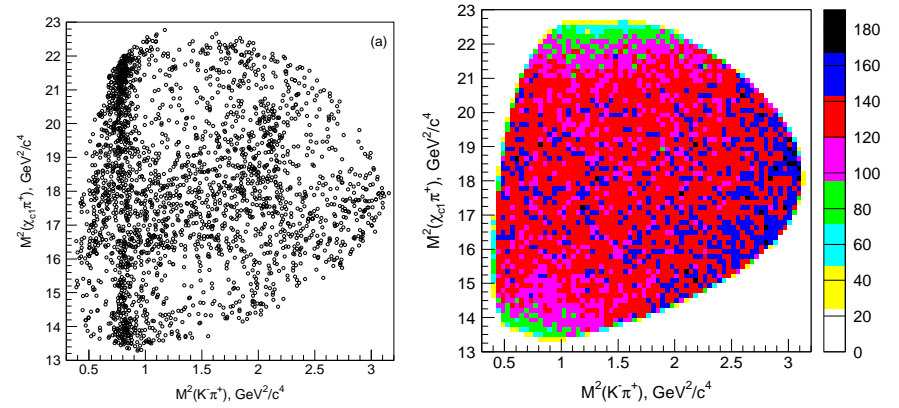
- Decrease at the edges due to the loss of slow pions and kaons.

- No problem with efficiency at the  $Z$  masses.

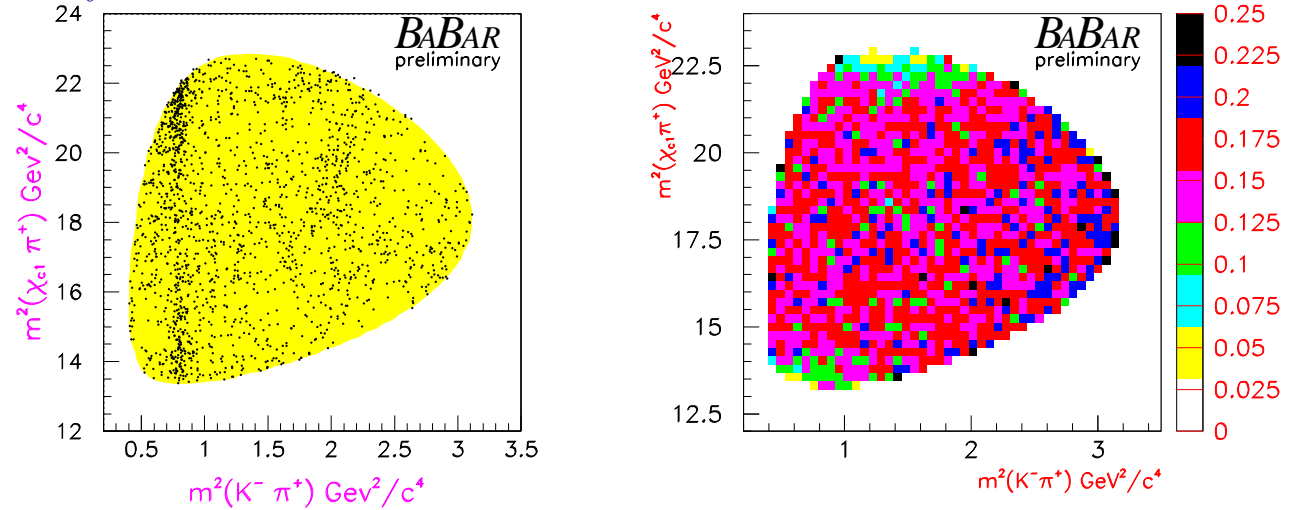


## Comparison between BaBar and Belle data.

□  $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow \chi_{c1} K^- \pi^+$  Dalitz plot and efficiency: Belle.



□  $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow \chi_{c1} K^- \pi^+$  Dalitz plot and efficiency: BaBar.



□ Efficiency and resolution similar in the two experiments.

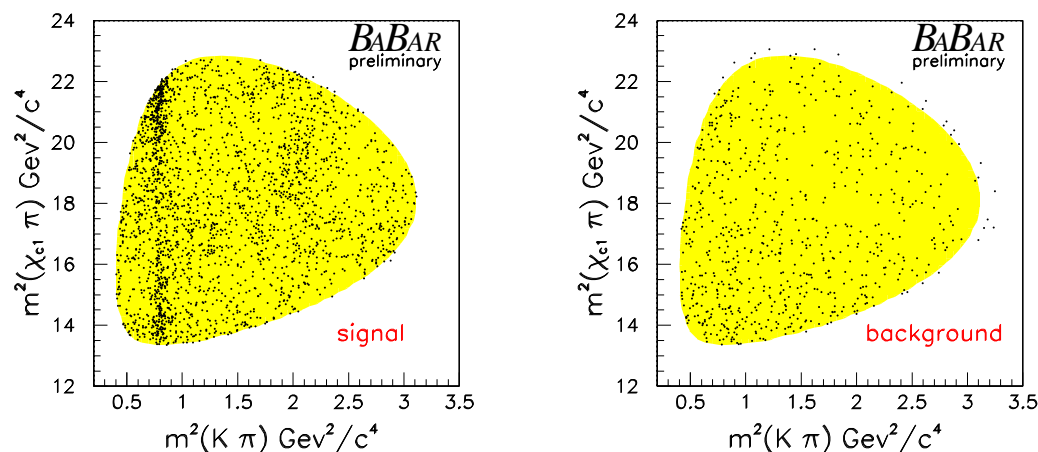
□ **BaBar data do not show any horizontal strong enhancements.**

□  $\bar{B}^0$  data. BaBar: Total 1458 events, Belle: 2126 events. Scaling by the different luminosities (0.71) expect: 1509 events. In addition, 499  $B^+$  events.

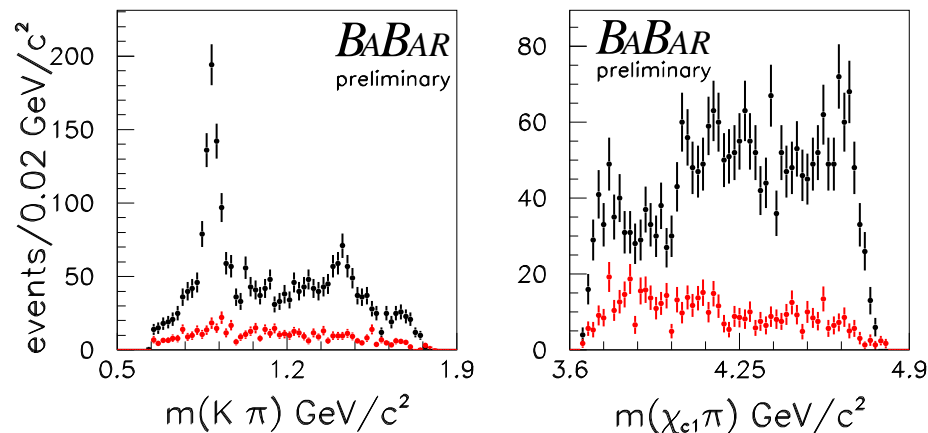
□ Total: 1957 events. Almost the same statistics as Belle.

## Signal and Background.

- Within statistics  $\bar{B}^0$  and  $B^+$  Dalitz plots are similar and have been combined.
- $B \rightarrow \chi_{c1} K \pi$  total Dalitz plot for signal and background.



- Uncorrected total Dalitz plot projections for signal and background.



- We obtain background-subtracted and efficiency-corrected distributions by subtracting the sideband distributions and weighting each event by:  $1/\epsilon(m(K\pi), \cos\theta)$ .



## Branching fractions.

□ To estimate the relative Branching Fractions we obtain the yields from fits to the  $\Delta E$  experimental distributions and correct for efficiency.

□ We obtain:

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow \chi_{c1} K^- \pi^+)}{\mathcal{B}(\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^- \pi^+)} = 0.474 \pm 0.013 \pm 0.062 \quad \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \chi_{c1} K^0 \pi^+)}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^0 \pi^+)} = 0.501 \pm 0.024 \pm 0.090$$

□  $\bar{B}^0$  and  $B^+$  ratios are consistent.

□ Systematic uncertainties:

Contribution	Fractional error $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow \chi_{c1} K^- \pi^+$	Fractional error $B^+ \rightarrow \chi_{c1} K_S^0 \pi^+$
1. Background subtraction	0.037	0.063
2. Efficiency	0.015	0.039
3. Efficiency binning	0.011	0.019
4. $\chi_{c1}$ branching fraction	0.044	0.044
5. $\gamma$ reconstruction	0.018	0.018
6. $\Delta E$ and $m_{\text{ES}}$ selections	0.010	0.010
Total	0.062	0.090

□ Multiplying by the  $B \rightarrow J/\psi K \pi$  branching fractions measured by the same experiment (Phys. Rev. D 79, 112001 (2009)), we obtain:

$$\mathcal{B}(\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow \chi_{c1} K^- \pi^+) = (5.11 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.67) \times 10^{-4}, \quad \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \chi_{c1} K^0 \pi^+) = (5.52 \pm 0.28 \pm 0.99) \times 10^{-4}$$

## Fits to the $K\pi$ mass spectra.

□ Binned  $\chi^2$  fits to the background-subtracted and efficiency-corrected  $K\pi$  mass spectra in terms of S, P, and D wave amplitudes.

□ Fitting function:  $\frac{dN}{dm_{K\pi}} = N \times \left[ f_S \left( \frac{G_S}{\int G_S dm_{K\pi}} \right) + f_P \left( \frac{G_P}{\int G_P dm_{K\pi}} \right) + f_D \left( \frac{G_D}{\int G_D dm_{K\pi}} \right) \right]$

□ where the fractions  $f$  are such that:  $f_S + f_P + f_D = 1$ .

□ The  $P$ - and  $D$ -wave intensities are expressed in terms of relativistic Breit-Wigner with parameters fixed to the PDG values for  $K^*(892)$  and  $K_2^*(1430)$  respectively.

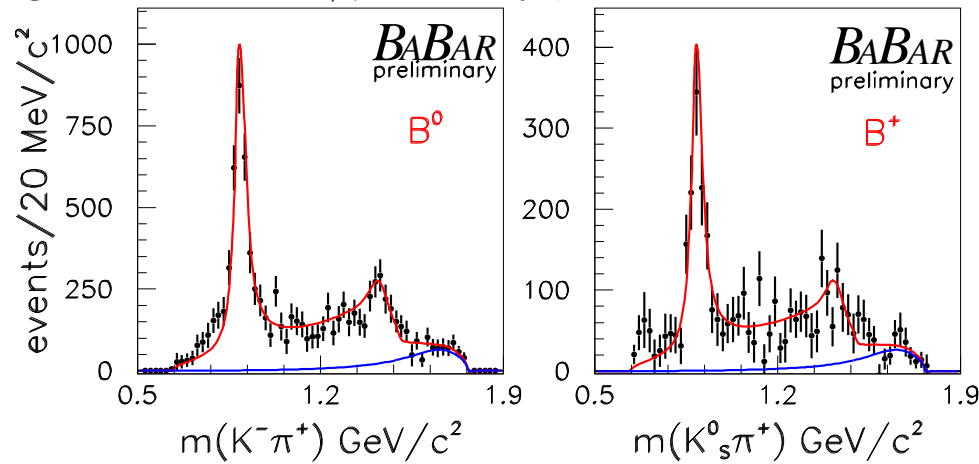
□ For S-wave contribution we make use of the LASS parametrization.

□ Results from the fit.

Channel	S-wave	P-wave	D-wave	$\chi^2/NDF$
$\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ K^- \chi_{c1}$	$40.4 \pm 2.2$	$37.9 \pm 1.3$	$11.4 \pm 2.0$	58/54
		$10.3 \pm 1.5$		
$B^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ K_S^0 \chi_{c1}$	$42.4 \pm 3.5$	$37.1 \pm 3.2$	$10.1 \pm 3.1$	55/54
		$10.4 \pm 2.5$		

□ Need for a small P-wave contribution from  $K^*(1680)$  ( $\approx 10\%$ ), not present in the  $B \rightarrow J/\psi K\pi$  decays or  $B \rightarrow \psi(2S)K\pi$ .

□ S-wave contribution larger than in  $B \rightarrow J/\psi K\pi$  decays, where is  $\approx 16\%$ .



## The $K\pi$ Legendre polynomial moments.

□ Add  $\bar{B}^0$  and  $B^+$  data. Weight the events by the  $Y_L^0(\cos\theta)$  Legendre polynomials.

□ Efficiency-corrected and background-subtracted distributions.

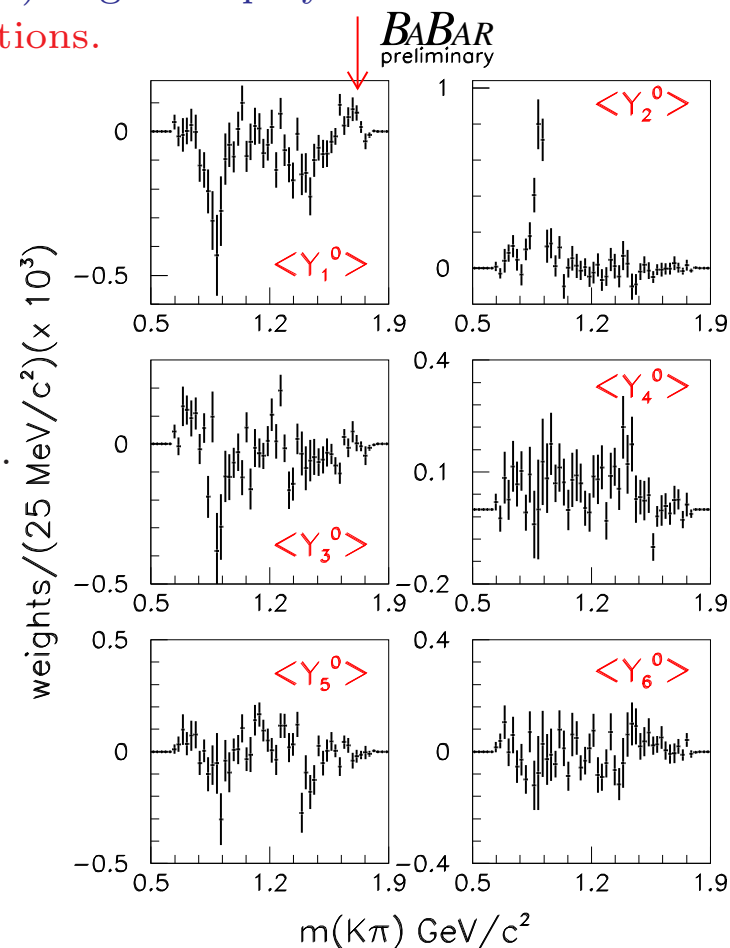
□ We observe the  $S$ - $P$  interference in the  $\langle Y_1^0 \rangle$  moment.

□ Significant enhancement in  $Y_1^0$  at  $\approx 1.7$  GeV indicating the presence of a P-wave.

□ We observe the presence of the spin-1  $K^*(890)$  in the  $\langle Y_2^0 \rangle$  moment.

□ We have evidence for the spin-2  $K_2^*(1430)$  resonance in the  $\langle Y_4^0 \rangle$  moment.

□  $\langle Y_6^0 \rangle$  is consistent with zero.



## MC simulations.

- A localized structure in the  $\chi_{c1}\pi$  mass spectrum shows its effect in high  $L$  Legendre polynomial moments  $\langle Y_L^0 \rangle$ .
- We now attempt to describe the  $\chi_{c1}\pi$  mass distribution using the information from the  $K\pi$  system only.
- We also limit  $L$  to its minimum value.
- We generate a large number of MC events according to the following model.
  - $B \rightarrow \chi_{c1}K\pi$  events are generated according to phase-space. The  $B$  is generated according to a Gaussian lineshape having parameters fitted to the data.
  - We label  $w_{m(K\pi)}$  the weight corresponding to the fit to the  $K\pi$  mass projection.
  - We incorporate the measured  $K\pi$  angular structure by giving weight  $w_L$  to each event according to the expression:

$$w_L = \sum_{i=0}^{L_{max}} \langle Y_i^N \rangle Y_i^0(\cos \theta)$$

where  $Y_i^N = Y_i^0/n$  are the normalized moments. The  $Y_i^N$  are evaluated for the  $m(K\pi)$  value by linear interpolation over consecutive  $m(K\pi)$  mass intervals.

- The total weight is thus:

$$w = w_{m(K\pi)} \cdot w_L$$

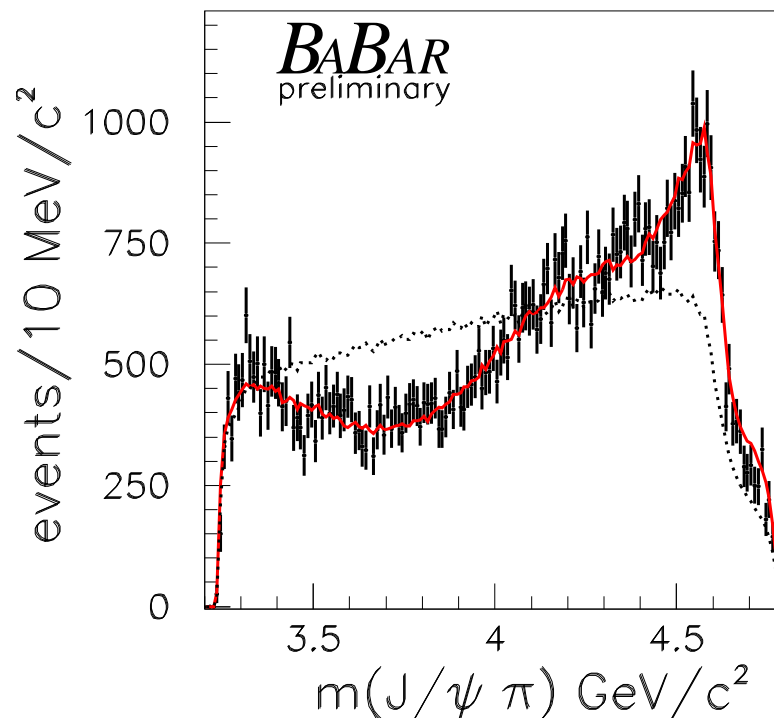
- The generated distributions, weighted by the total weight  $w$ , are then normalized to the number of data events after background-subtraction and efficiency-correction.

# MC simulations: $B \rightarrow J/\psi K \pi$

- We test the method on  $B \rightarrow J/\psi \pi K$  where there is no evidence for narrow or broad  $Z$  resonances.
- We vary  $L_{max}$  between 4 and 6 and obtain the best description of the data with  $L_{max} = 5$ .

$L_{max}$	$\chi^2/NDF$
4	223/152
5	162/152
6	180/152

- MC/data comparison, the dotted line shows the effect of removing the angular  $w_L$  weight.



## MC simulations: $B \rightarrow \chi_{c1} K \pi$

□ Similar results are obtained for the  $B \rightarrow \chi_{c1} K \pi$  channel.

$L_{max}$	$\chi^2/NDF$
4	53/58
5	46/58
6	49/58
“mixed”	63/58

□  $B \rightarrow J/\psi K \pi$  and  $B \rightarrow \chi_{c1} K \pi$  data can be described using a similar approach.

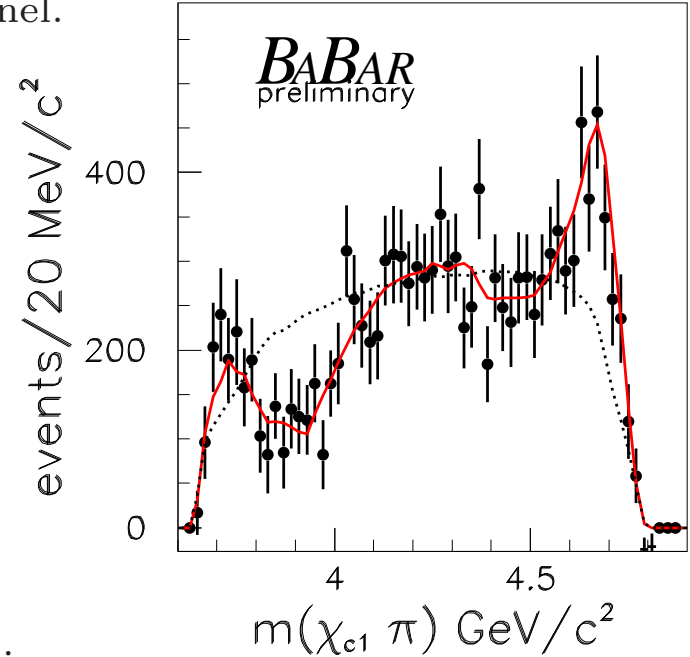
□ **This indicates that there is no need for additional resonant structure in order to describe the  $\chi_{c1} \pi$  mass distribution.**

□ We also use a “mixed” Legendre polynomial composition, using  $L_{max} = 3$  for  $m(K\pi) < 1.2$  GeV and  $L_{max} = 4$  above.

□ This is justified by the fact that only spin 0 and spin 1 resonances are present in the low mass region.

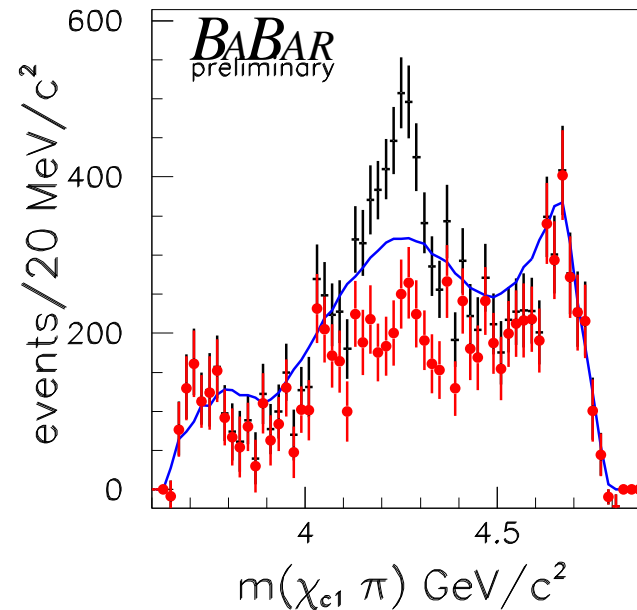
□ This representation also gives an excellent description of the  $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow \chi_{c1} K \pi$  data.

□ We will use this “mixed” representation for computing upper limits on  $Z$  production.



## How would a Z resonance show up?

- We artificially add a  $\approx 25\%$  contribution of a scalar  $Z_2(4250)^+ \rightarrow \chi_{c1}\pi$  resonance in the  $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ K^- \chi_{c1}$  data.
- These MC toy events are obtained from MC data, weighted by a Breit-Wigner.
- We then compute Legendre polynomial moments for the whole sample and predict the  $\chi_{c1}\pi$  mass spectrum using the same algorithm as for real data.
- Using the “mixed” method, the resulting MC simulation does not describe the MC data well:  $\chi^2/NDF = 140/58$

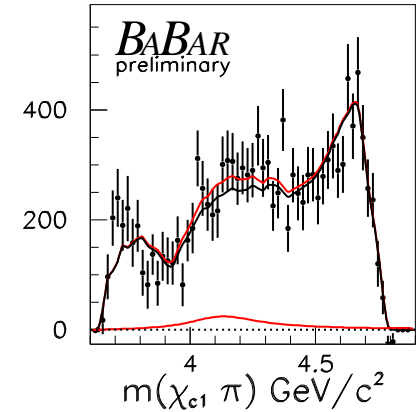
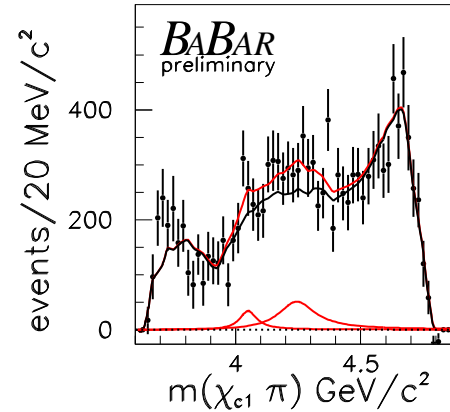


- red dots indicate the  $B^0 \rightarrow \pi^- K^+ \chi_{c1}$  data, crosses indicate the total sample.

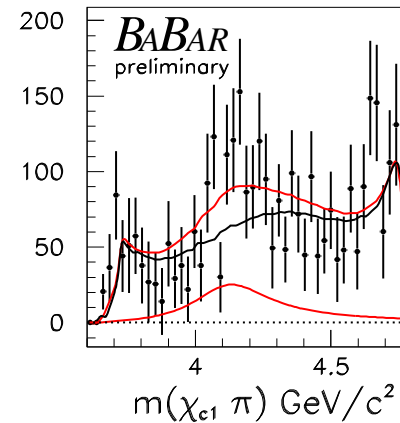
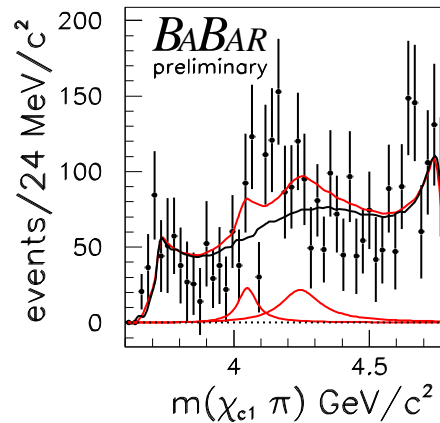
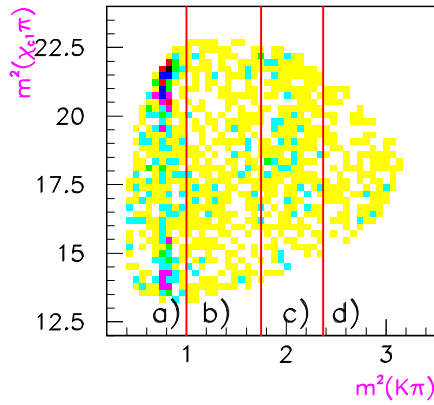
## Search for $Z$ resonances.

- We now fit the  $\chi_{c1}\pi$  mass spectrum using the following model:
- Assume the prediction from the MC simulation (“mixed”) as background.
- Include two scalar Breit-Wigner with parameters fixed to the Belle measurements.
- Fit the full data set (Total).

Data	Resonance	$N_\sigma$	Fraction (%)
a) Total	$Z_1(4050)^+$	1.1	$1.6 \pm 1.4$
	$Z_2(4250)^+$	2.0	$4.8 \pm 2.4$
b) Total	$Z(4150)^+$	1.1	$4.0 \pm 3.8$
c) Window	$Z_1(4050)^+$	1.2	$3.5 \pm 3.0$
	$Z_2(4250)^+$	1.3	$6.7 \pm 5.1$
d) Window	$Z(4150)^+$	1.7	$13.7 \pm 8.0$



- Repeat the fits in the  $b) 1.0 < m^2(K\pi) < 1.75 \text{ GeV}^2/c^4$  window, where Belle reports the maximum resonant activity (25 % of the dataset).



- In all cases we obtain very low ( $\leq 2\sigma$ ) statistical significances.



### Limits on $Z$ production.

□ Significances do not change significantly if we modify the  $Z$  parameters within their statistical errors.

□ We obtain the following 90 % C.L. upper limits:

$$\mathcal{B}(\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow Z_1^+ K^-) \times (\mathcal{B}(Z_1^+ \rightarrow \chi_{c1} \pi^+) < 1.8 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow Z_2^+ K^-) \times (\mathcal{B}(Z_2^+ \rightarrow \chi_{c1} \pi^+) < 4.0 \times 10^{-5}$$

□ To be compared with Belle values of  $(3_{-0.8-1.6}^{+1.5+3.7}) \times 10^{-5}$  and  $(4_{-0.9-0.5}^{+2.3+19.7}) \times 10^{-5}$  respectively.

□ For only one  $Z$  we obtain:

$$\mathcal{B}(\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow Z^+ K^-) \times (\mathcal{B}(Z^+ \rightarrow \chi_{c1} \pi^+) < 4.7 \times 10^{-5}$$

## Conclusions.

- We have studied the decays  $B \rightarrow \chi_{c1} K \pi$  with charged and neutral  $B$  mesons and measured their branching fractions.
- The  $K\pi$  resonant structure and angular distributions of  $\bar{B}^0$  and  $B^+$  are similar.
- The resonant structure and angular distributions for  $B \rightarrow \chi_{c1} K \pi$  are different from that of  $B \rightarrow J/\psi K \pi$ .
- We model the  $B \rightarrow \chi_{c1} K \pi$  decay using only the information on the resonant structure and angular distributions from the  $K\pi$  system and obtain an excellent description of the  $\chi_{c1}\pi$  mass distribution.
- We test if additional resonant structures are able to improve the data description but obtain very low statistical significances.
- We measure limits on  $Z$  production.
- These limits do not rule out statistically the existence of  $Z$  resonances.
- **However, we obtain a good description of the data without the need for additional resonances decaying to  $\chi_{c1}\pi$ .**