

# News from BESIII and what can be learned

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BESIII: a  $\tau$ -charm factory

# BEPCII and BESIII



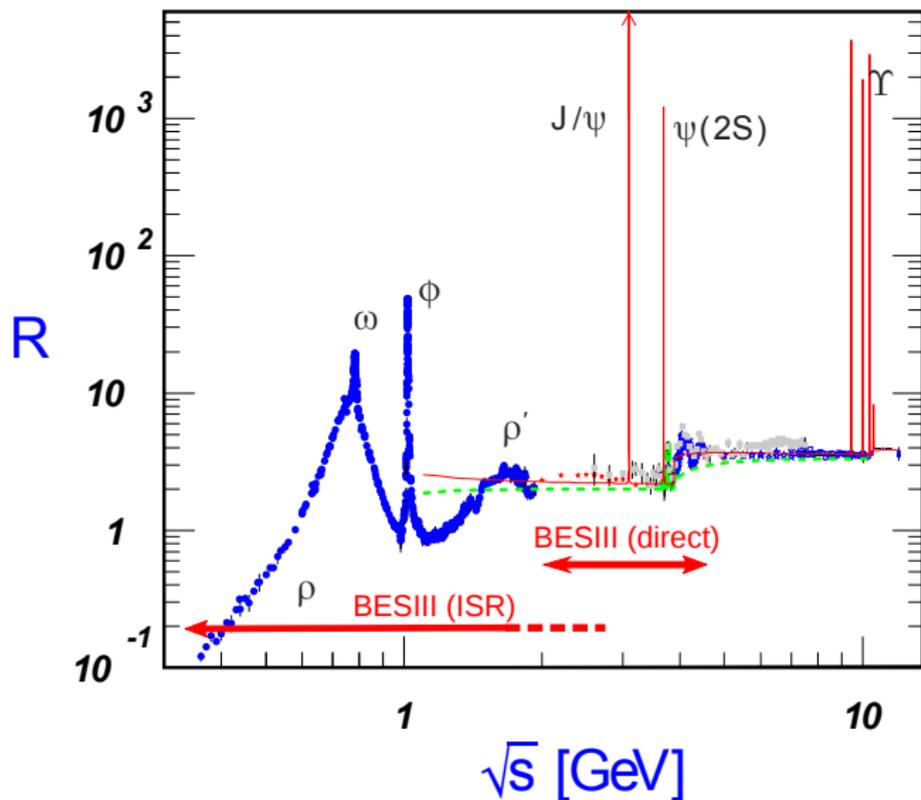
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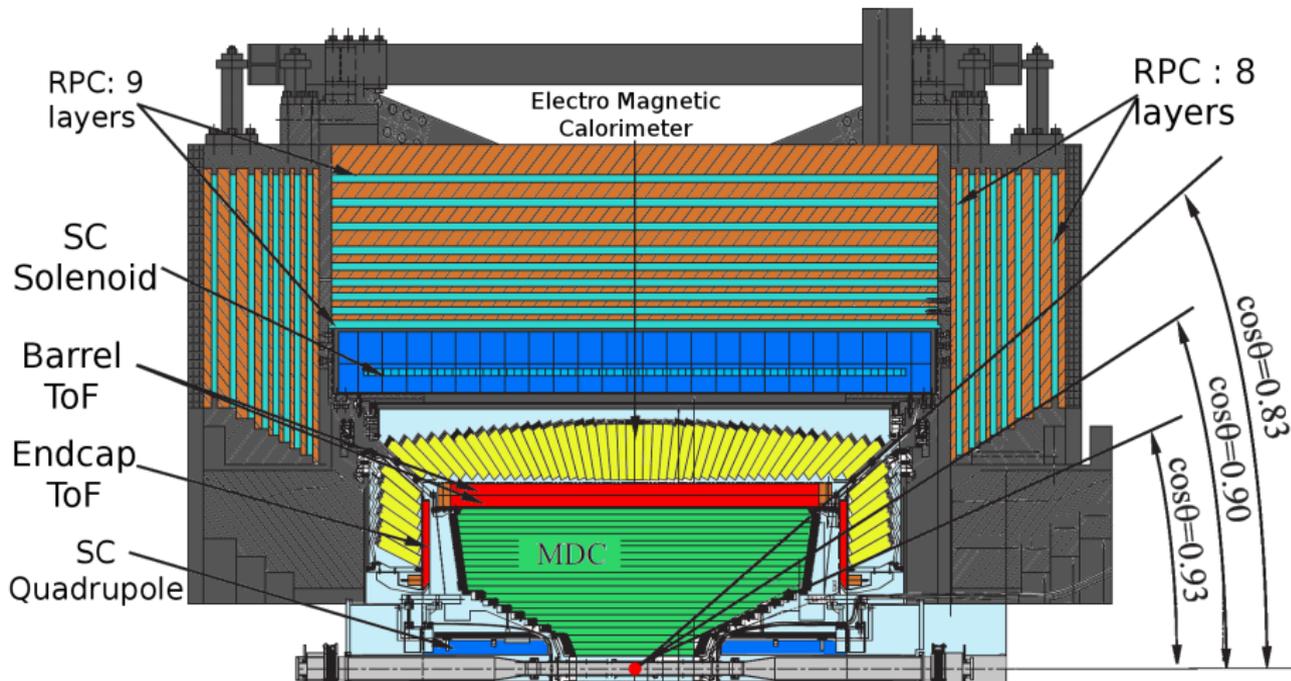
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# A $\tau$ -charm factory



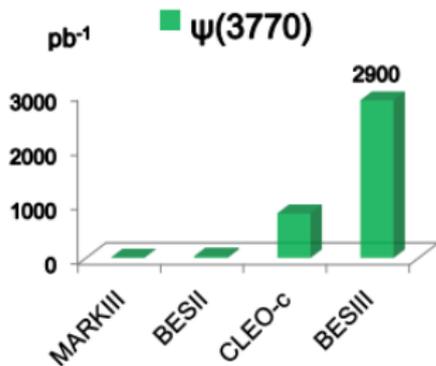
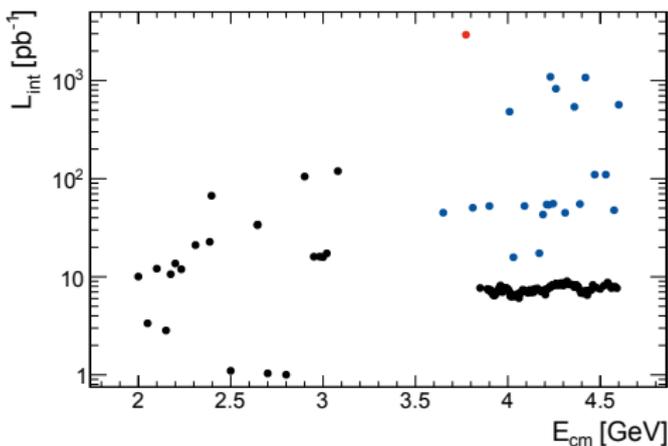
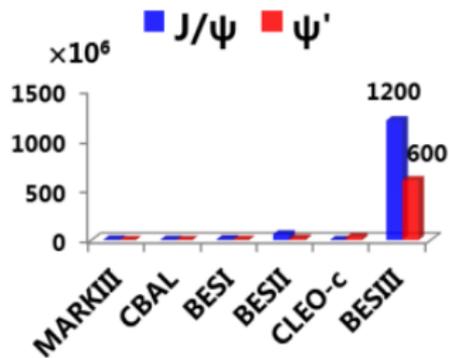
# BESIII detector



Completely new detector

Comparable performance to CLEO-c, + muon ID

# Unique BESIII data set



large data sets of  $\approx 4 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  above 3.8 GeV for  
+ 104 energy points between 3.85 and 4.59 GeV  
+  $\sim 20$  energy points between 2.0 and 3.1 GeV

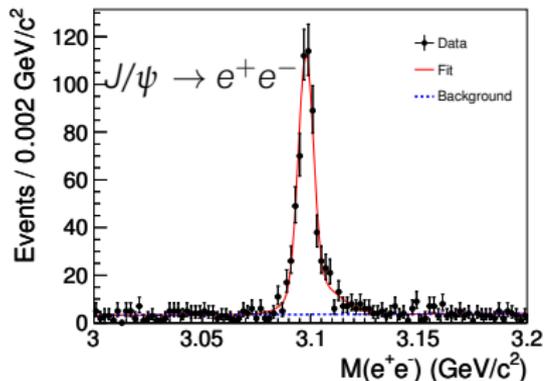
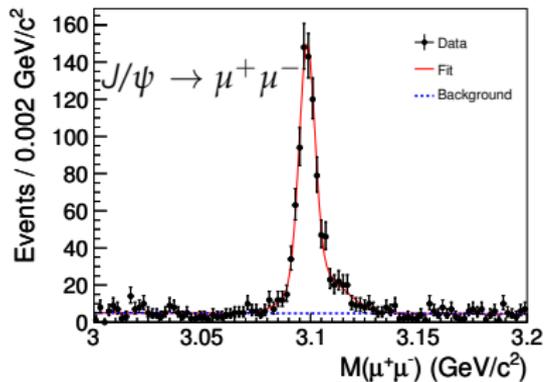
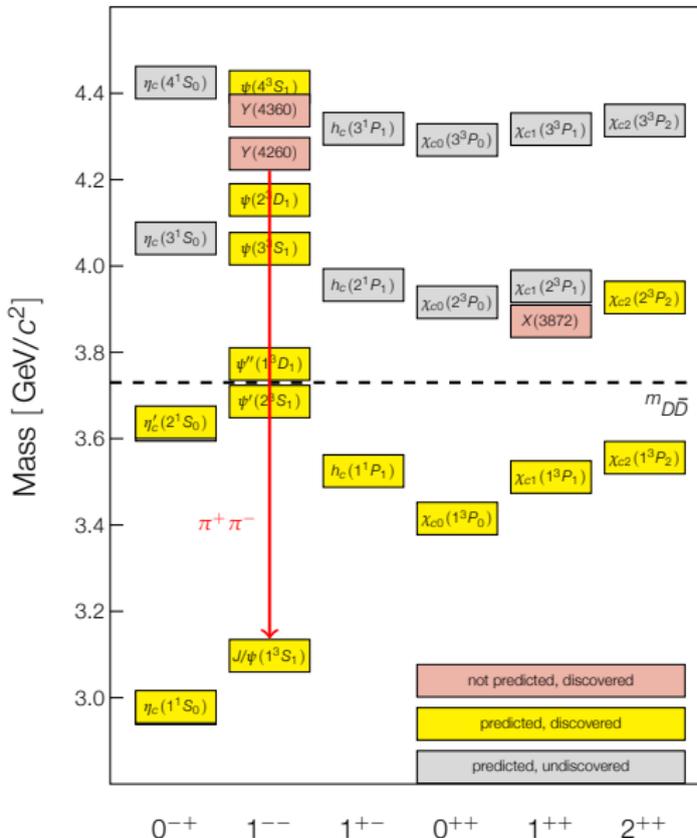
Direct production of  $1^{--}$  states studied  
with world's largest scan dataset



The  $Z_c$  family

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

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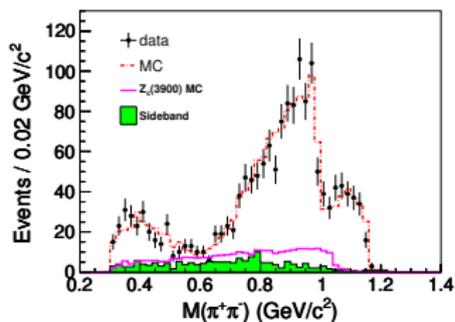
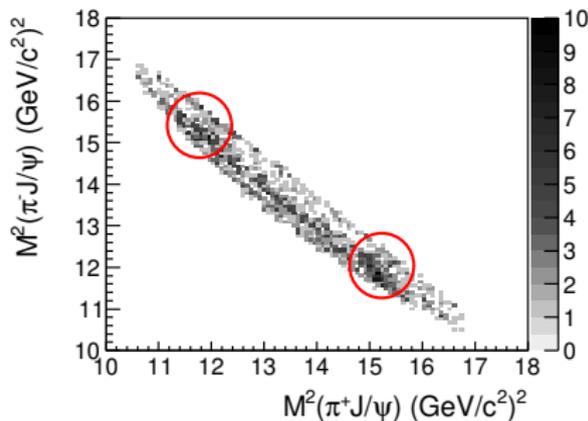
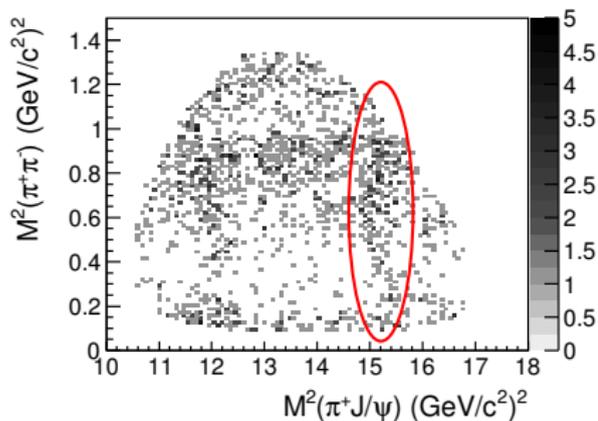


...have hundreds of events!



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

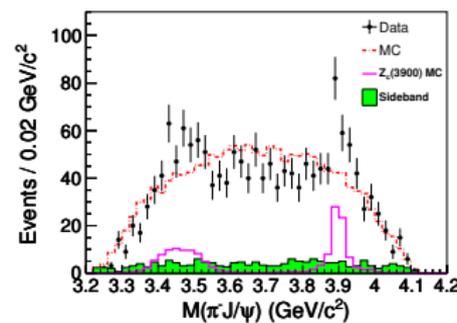
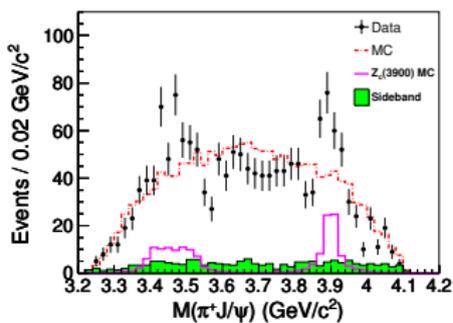
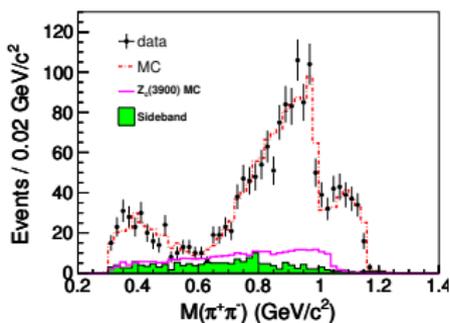
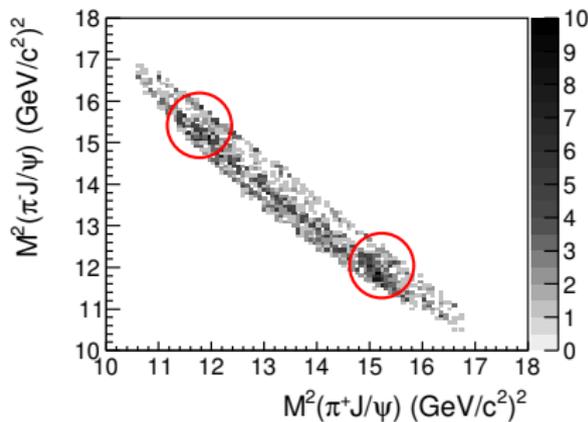
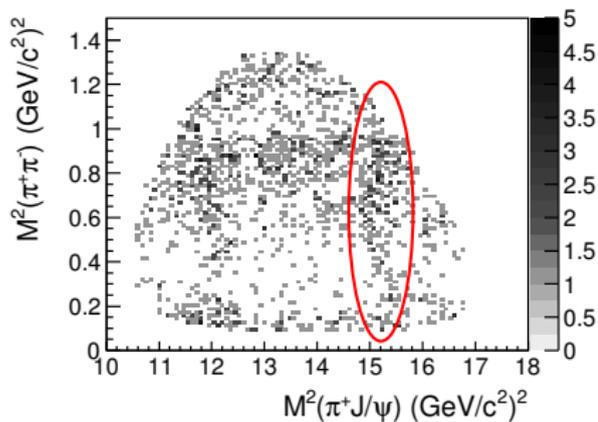
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Model  $\pi^+\pi^-$ -system with known structure:  
 $f_0(500)$ ,  $f_0(980)$ , non-resonant  
obtain good fit of  $\pi^+\pi^-$  mass projection

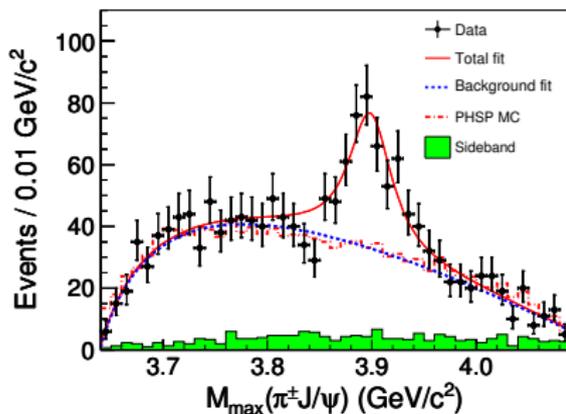
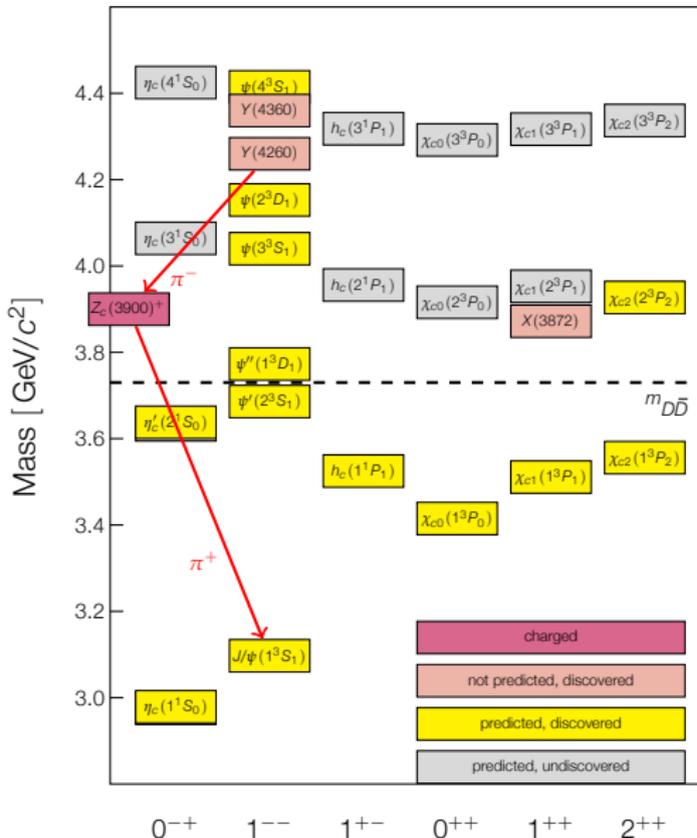
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Charged charmonium-like structure

$$M = (3899.0 \pm 3.6 \pm 4.9) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\Gamma = (46 \pm 10 \pm 20) \text{ MeV}$$

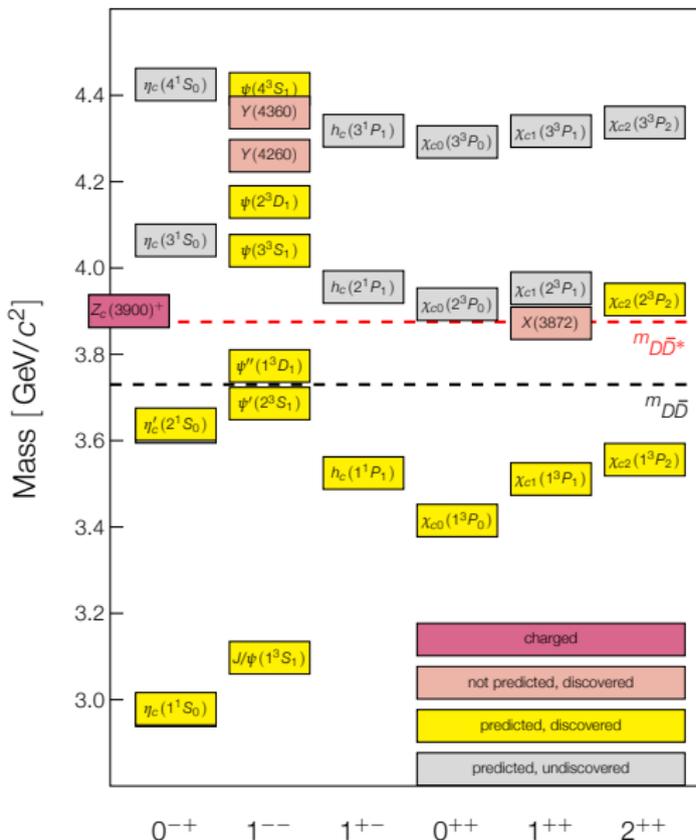
Confirmed by Belle PRL **110**, 252002  
and with CLEOC data PLB **727**, 366

Close to  $DD^*$  threshold  
Interpretation?

# $Z_c(3900)^+$ at $D\bar{D}^*$ threshold

BESIII, PRL **112**, 022001 (2014)

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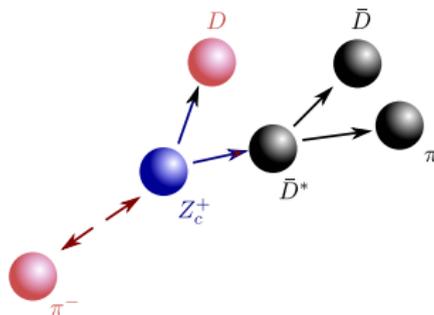
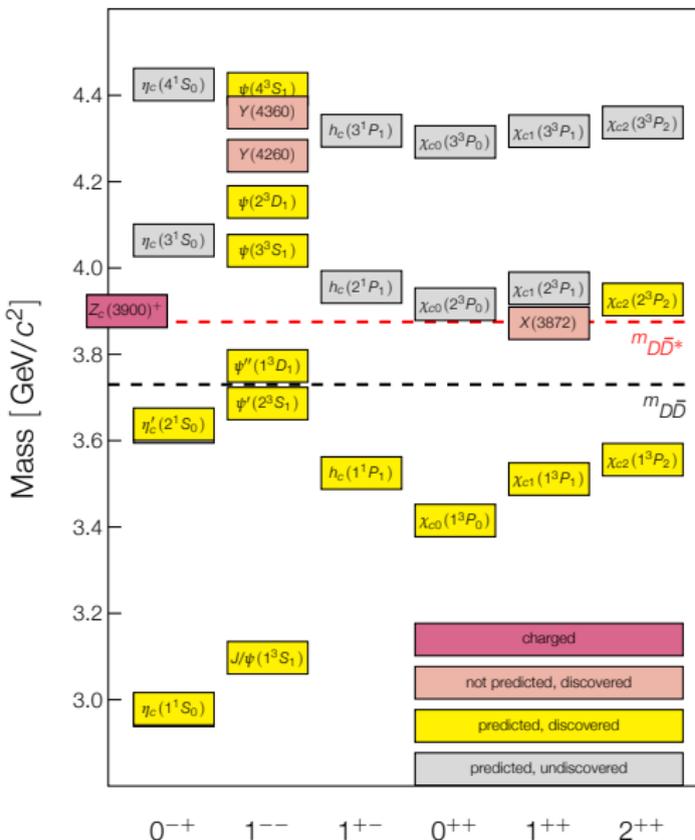
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Single tag analysis:

- reconstruct 'bachelor'  $\pi^+$  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  $\pi^+$

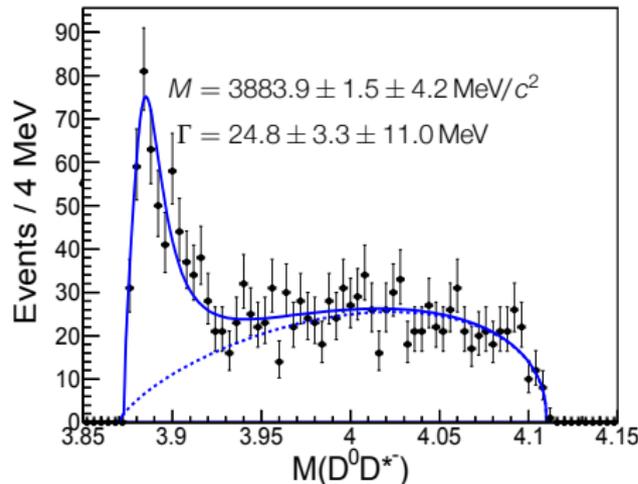
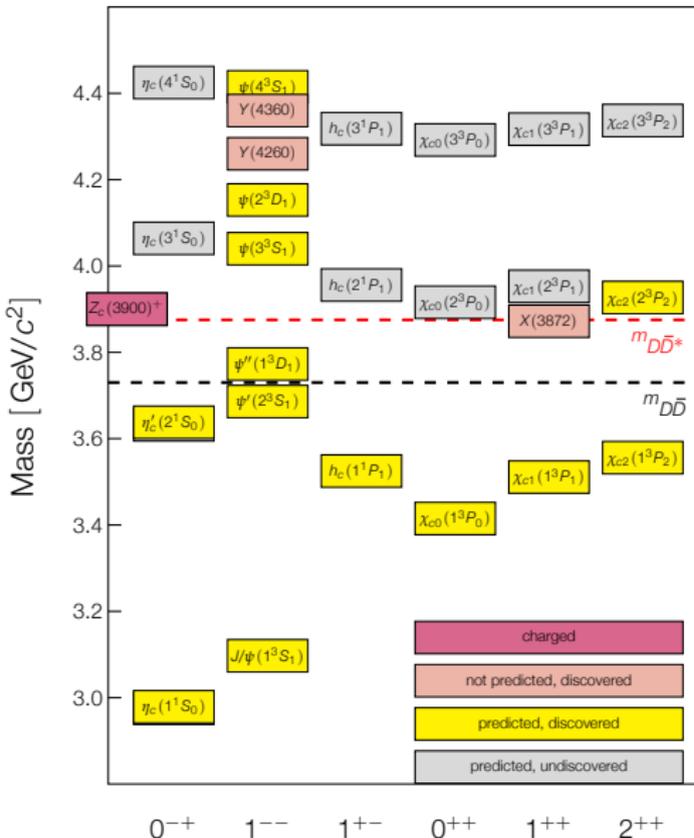


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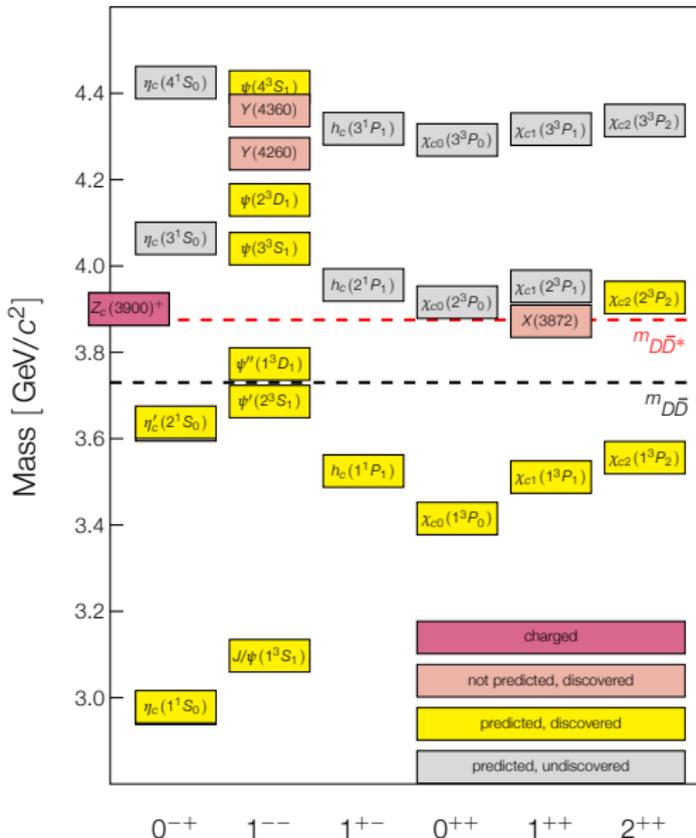
$e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+ D^0 \bar{D}^{*-}$  at BESIII



...and BESIII sees structure in  $(DD^*)^\pm$

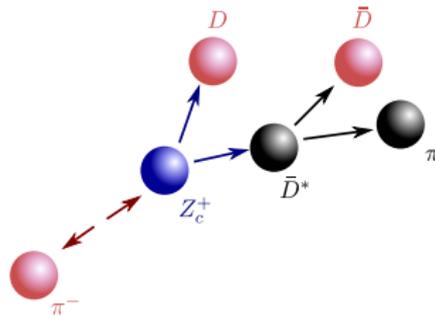
Large systematics due to non- $Z_c$  signal shape

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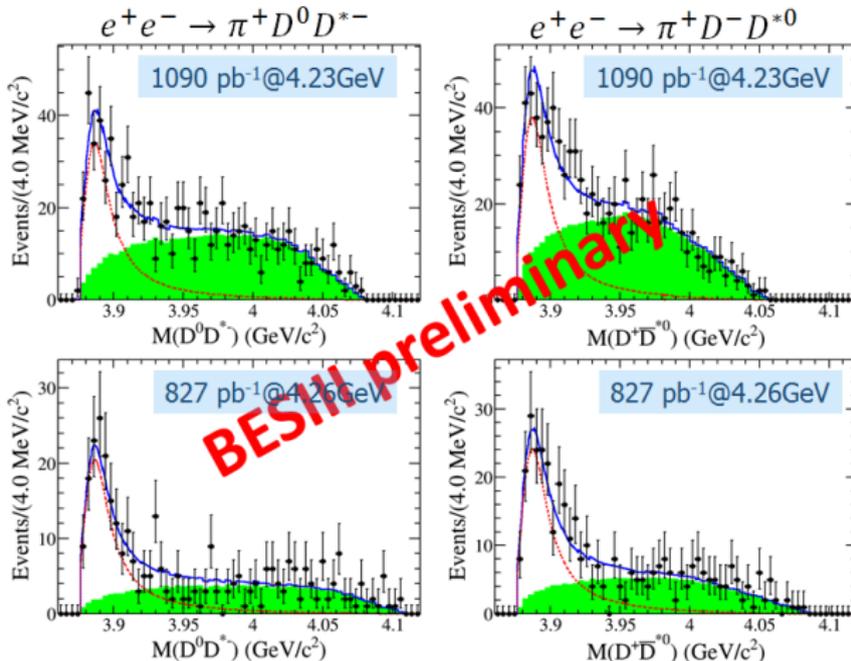


New: Double tag analysis

- reconstruct 'bachelor'  $\pi^+$  and  $D^0, D^-$  in 4 or 6 decay modes
- kinematic fit, requiring  $\pi$  from  $D^*$  in missing mass essentially background-free  $D^*$
- improved statistics, much better control over background shape, improved systematics
- $M^{\text{recoil}}(\pi^+) = M(D\bar{D}^*)$



# $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+(D\bar{D}^*)^-$ with double tags



Simultaneous fit with phase space shape +  $(BW \otimes \mathcal{R}) \times \varepsilon$   
Compatible with, but significantly more precise, than single-tag analysis

$$M = 3884.3 \pm 1.2 \pm 1.5 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\Gamma = 23.8 \pm 2.1 \pm 2.6 \text{ MeV}$$

# $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+(D\bar{D}^*)^-$ with double tags: Results

	BESIII single $D$ tags PRL 112, 022001	BESIII double $D$ tags preliminary
$M_{\text{pole}}[\text{MeV}/c^2]$	$3883.9 \pm 1.5(\text{stat}) \pm 4.2(\text{syst})$	$3884.3 \pm 1.2(\text{stat}) \pm 1.5(\text{syst})$
$\Gamma_{\text{pole}}[\text{MeV}]$	$24.8 \pm 3.3(\text{stat}) \pm 11.0(\text{syst})$	$23.8 \pm 2.1(\text{stat}) \pm 2.6(\text{syst})$
$\sigma \times \mathcal{B}[\text{pb}]$		
4.23 GeV		$106.8 \pm 7.1(\text{stat}) \pm 9.5(\text{syst})$
4.26 GeV	$83.5 \pm 6.6(\text{stat}) \pm 22.0(\text{syst})$	$88.0 \pm 6.1(\text{stat}) \pm 7.9(\text{syst})$

$$\sigma \times \mathcal{B} \equiv \sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^\pm Z_c(3885)^\mp) \times \mathcal{B}(Z_c(3885)^\mp \rightarrow (D\bar{D}^*)^\mp)$$

# $Z_c(3885)^+$ Quantum numbers?

$\theta_\pi$ : angle between bachelor pion and beam axis in CMS

Know initial state is  $1^-$ , with  $J_z = \pm 1$ . Depending on  $J^P$  of  $Z_c$ :

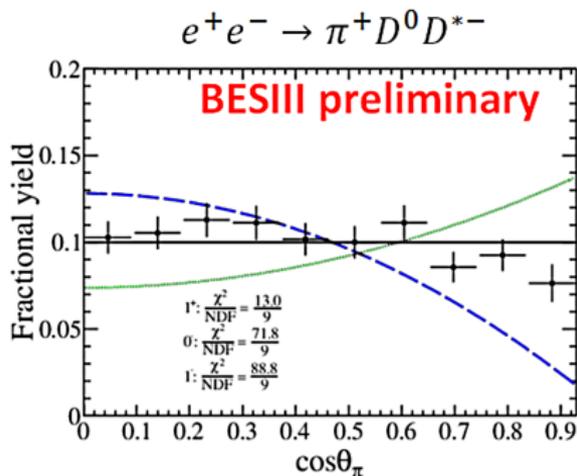
$0^+$  excluded by parity conservation

$0^-$   $\pi$  and  $Z_c(3885)$  in  $P$ -wave, with  $J_z = \pm 1$   $\Rightarrow dN/d \cos \theta_\pi \propto 1 - \cos^2 \theta_\pi$

$1^-$   $\pi$  and  $Z_c(3885)$  in  $P$ -wave  $\Rightarrow dN/d \cos \theta_\pi \propto 1 + \cos^2 \theta_\pi$

$1^+$   $\pi$  and  $Z_c(3885)$  in  $S$  or  $D$  wave.

Assume  $D$  wave small near threshold:  $\Rightarrow dN/d \cos \theta_\pi \propto 1$



Efficiency corrected event yield  
in 10 bins in  $|\cos \theta_\pi|$

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

confirms  $J^P$  for  $Z_c(3885)$  from single-tags

# A neutral partner to the $Z_c(3900)^+$ ?

BESIII, PRL **115**, 112003 (2015)

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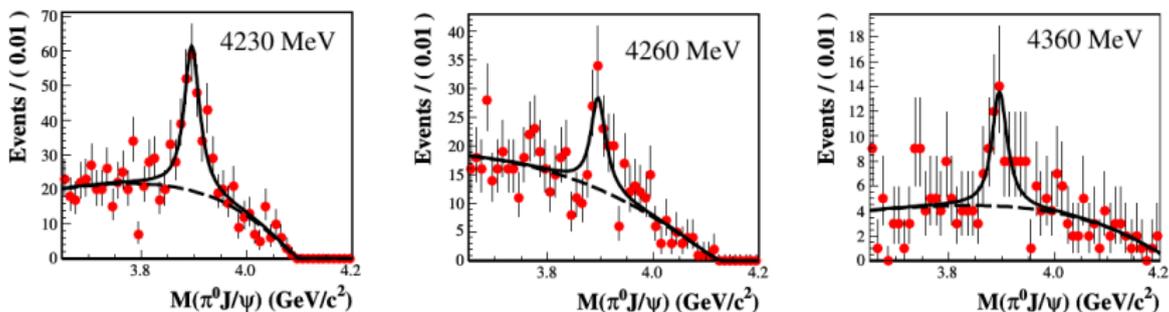
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Study  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 J/\psi$  with large data sets at three different  $\sqrt{s}$

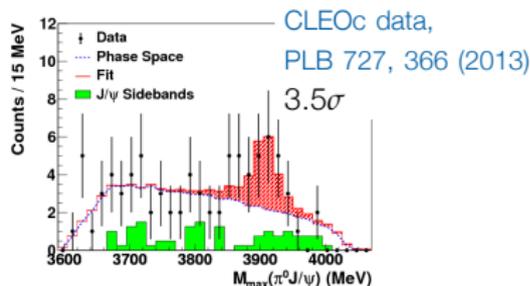


Structure in  $\pi^0 J/\psi$  invariant mass clearly visible at all energies

$$M = 3894.8 \pm 2.3 \pm 2.7 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\Gamma = 29.6 \pm 8.2 \pm 8.2 \text{ MeV}$$

Significance  $10\sigma$



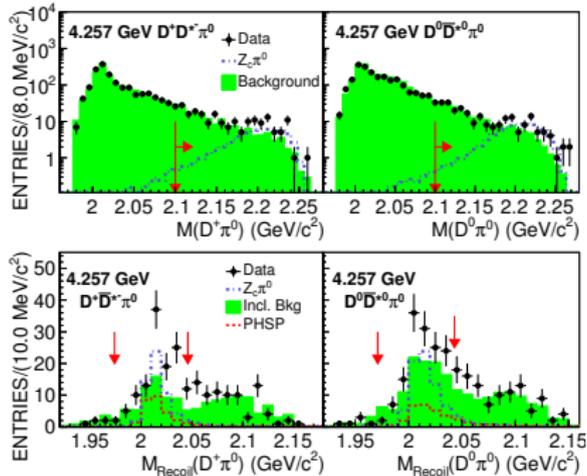
# $Z_c(3885)^0$ in $e^+e^- \rightarrow (D\bar{D}^*)^0\pi^0$

Partial reconstruction technique:

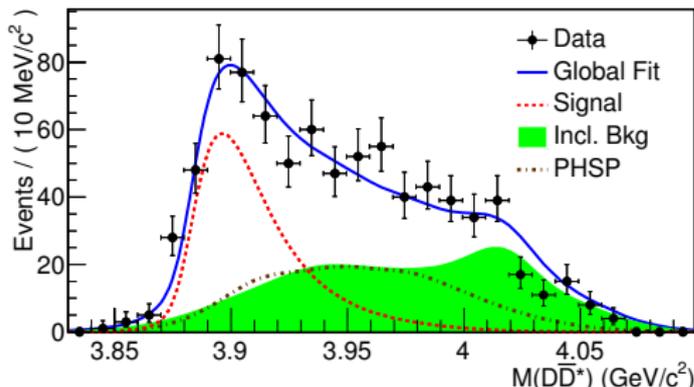
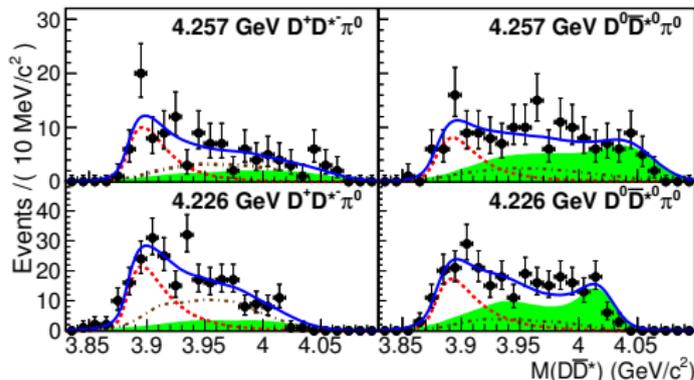
$$e^+e^- \rightarrow D^+D^{*-}\pi^0 \rightarrow D^+\bar{D}^0\pi^-\pi^0$$

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow D^0\bar{D}^{*0}\pi^0 \rightarrow D^0\bar{D}^0\pi^0\pi^0$$

1. Reconstruct bachelor  $\pi^0$
2. Reconstruct  $D^+$  ( $\bar{D}^0$ ) in one of five (three) hadronic decay modes
3. Infer presence of  $\bar{D}^*$  by recoil mass



# $Z_c(3885)^0$ in $e^+e^- \rightarrow (D\bar{D}^*)^0\pi^0$



Simultaneous fit to both charge combinations in two large datasets at  $\sqrt{s} = 4.226$  and  $4.257$  GeV

Significance  $> 10\sigma$

Pole parameters of rel. BW:

$$M = (3885.7^{+4.3}_{-5.7}(\text{stat.}) \pm 8.4(\text{syst.})) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\Gamma = (35^{+11}_{-12}(\text{stat.}) \pm 15(\text{syst.})) \text{ MeV}$$

$$\mathcal{R} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(Z_c(3885)^0 \rightarrow D^+D^{*-})}{\mathcal{B}(Z_c(3885)^0 \rightarrow D^0\bar{D}^{*0})} = 0.96 \pm 0.18 \pm 0.12$$

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow h_c(1P)\pi^+\pi^-$$

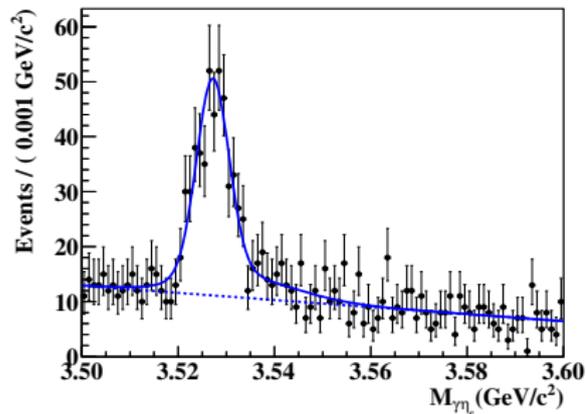
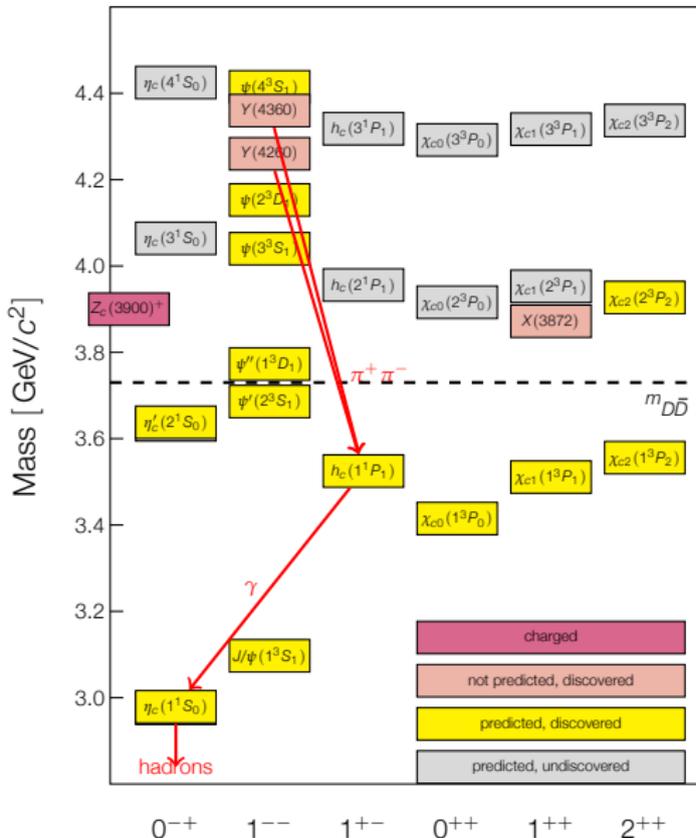
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Exclusively reconstruct the process

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-h_c(1P)$$

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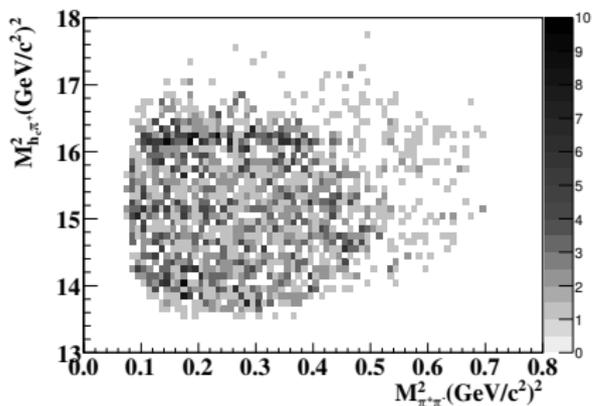
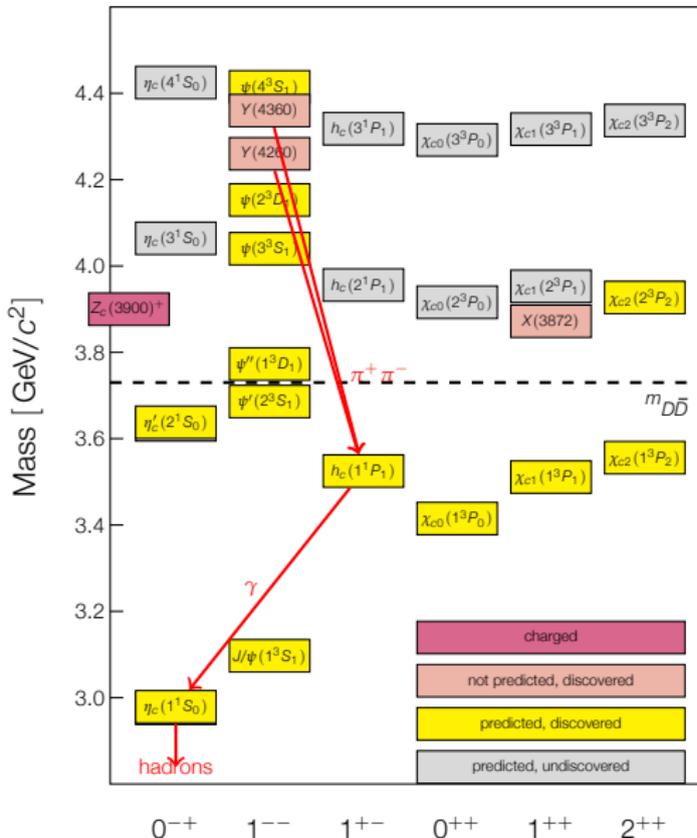
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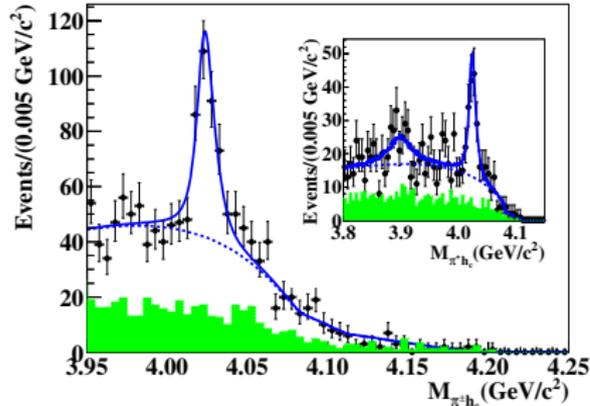
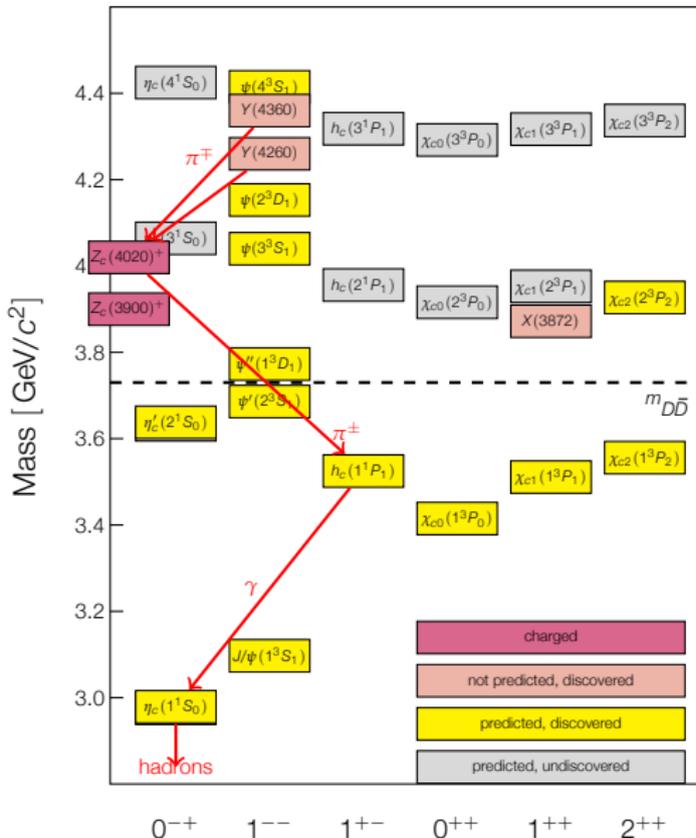
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Charged charmonium-like structure  
close to  $D^*\bar{D}^*$  threshold

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

$$\Gamma = 7.9 \pm 2.7 \pm 2.6 \text{ MeV}$$

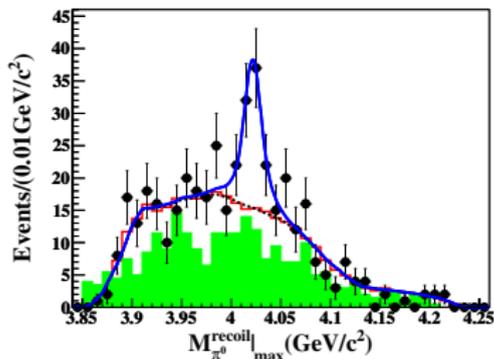
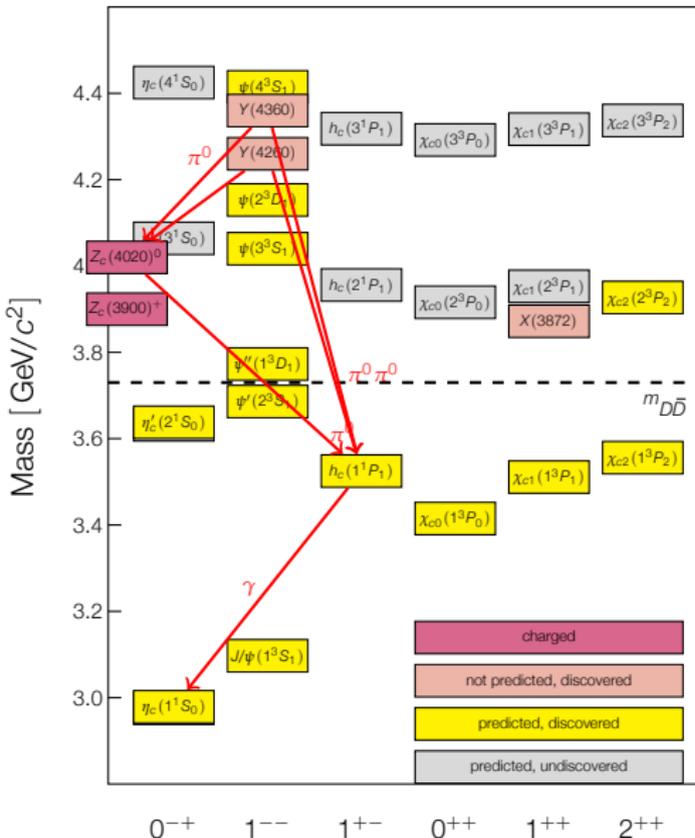
Note: no significant signal for  
 $Z_c(3900)^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ h_c$  seen!

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow h_c(1P)\pi^0\pi^0$$

Study  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0 h_c$  at 4.23, 4.26, 4.36 GeV

Observe structure in  $h_c\pi^0$  mass distribution:

Neutral partner to  $Z_c(4020)^+$



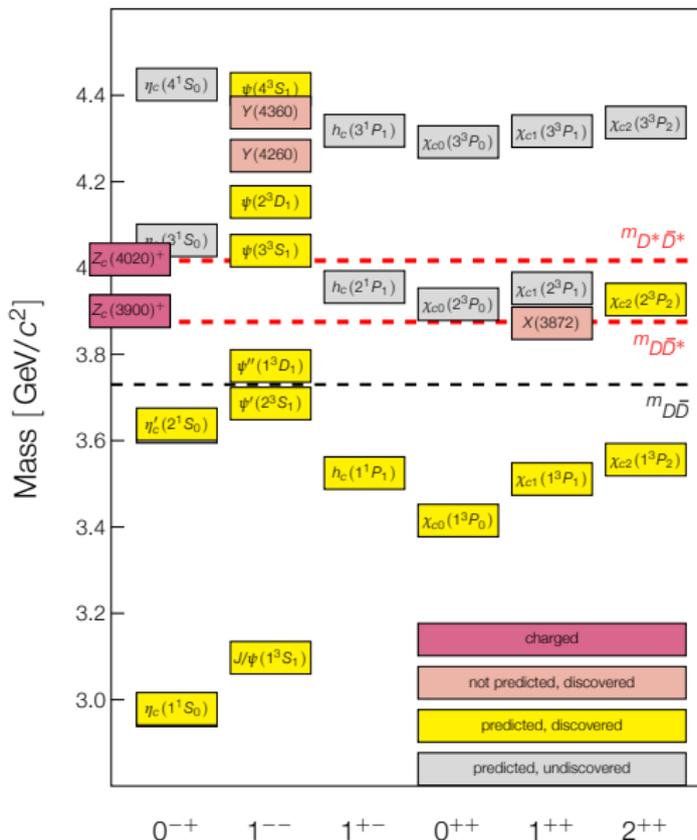
$$M = 4023.6 \pm 4.5 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$\Gamma$  fixed in the fit

Isospin triplet found!

# Yet another mass threshold ...

$Z_c(4020)$  sits at  $D^*D^*$  threshold





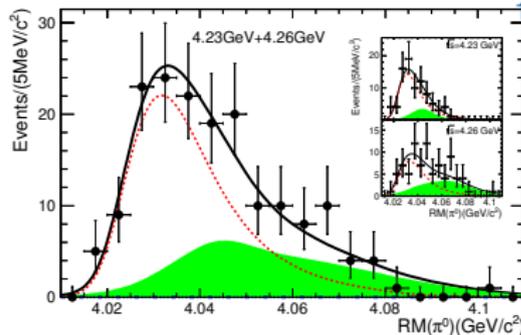
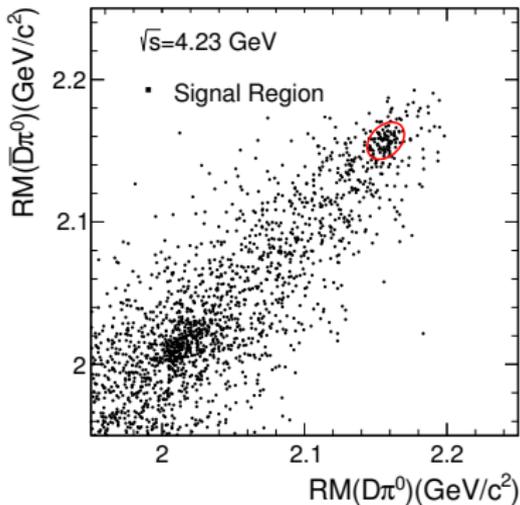
# ... and the neutral partner: $Z_c(4025)^0$

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow (D^*\bar{D}^*)^0\pi^0$$

$$\rightarrow (D^{*0}\bar{D}^{*0})\pi^0 + (D^{*+}D^{*-})\pi^0$$

Use partial reconstruction technique:

- Reconstruct  $D$ ,  $\bar{D}$ , and bachelor  $\pi^0$
- Infer presence of  $D^*$  by selecting on mass recoiling against  $\bar{D}^*\pi^0$



Combine data sets at  $\sqrt{s} = 4.23, 4.26$  GeV  
 Enhancement at threshold visible  
 No non-resonant process needed  
 Fit with  $BW \otimes \mathcal{R}$ , extract pole position

$$M_{\text{pole}} = (4025.5^{+2.0}_{-4.7} \pm 3.1) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\Gamma_{\text{pole}} = (23.0 \pm 6.0 \pm 1.0) \text{ MeV}$$

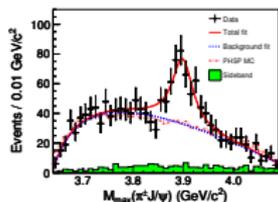
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Comparison with the  $Z_c(4025)^+ \rightarrow (D^*\bar{D}^*)^+$ :

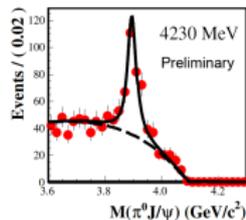
	<b>Mass [ MeV/c<sup>2</sup> ]</b>	<b>Width [ MeV ]</b>	<b><math>\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow Z_c \pi \rightarrow D^*\bar{D}^* \pi)</math> [pb]</b>
$Z_c(4025)^+$	$4026.3 \pm 2.6 \pm 3.7$	$24.8 \pm 5.6 \pm 7.7$	$42.2 \pm 2.8 \pm 4.6$
$Z_c(4025)^0$	$4025.5^{+2.0}_{-4.7} \pm 3.1$	$23.0 \pm 6.0 \pm 1.0$	$43.4 \pm 8.0 \pm 5.4$

- Almost perfect agreement in resonance parameters
- and cross sections
- very small isospin violation?!

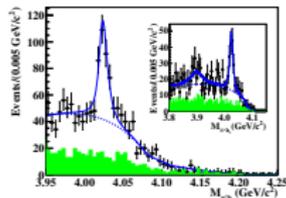
# All the $Z_c$ s from BESIII near $\sqrt{s} = 4.3$ GeV



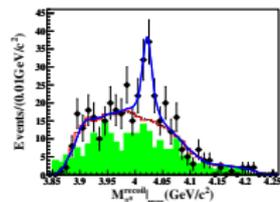
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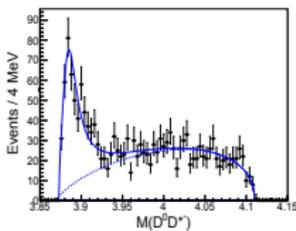
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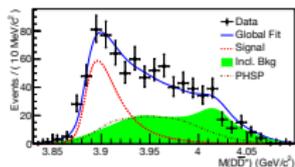


$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 h_c$$

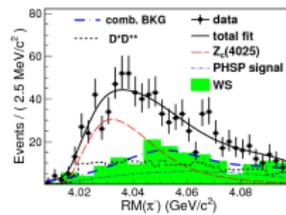


$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^- (D\bar{D}^*)^+$$

$$Z_c(3900)^+$$

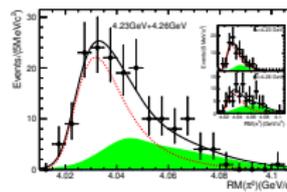


$$Z_c(3900)^0?$$



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

$$Z_c(4020)^+$$



$$Z_c(4020)^0?$$

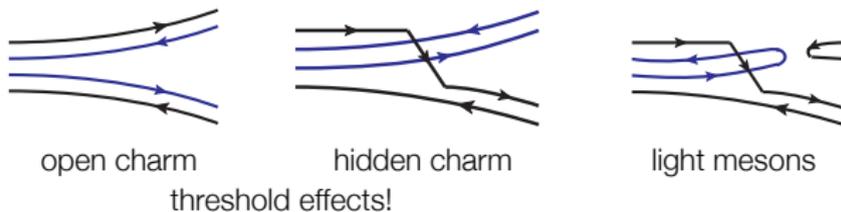
Nature of these states? Isospin triplets?

Different decay channels of the same states observed?

Other decay modes?

# Other decay modes?

Exploring new decay modes can help to identify nature of structures close to threshold



Decay modes with  $c\bar{c}$  annihilation does not involve hidden or open charm final states!

If  $c\bar{c}$  in  $S$ -wave, annihilation could be 'easy' ...

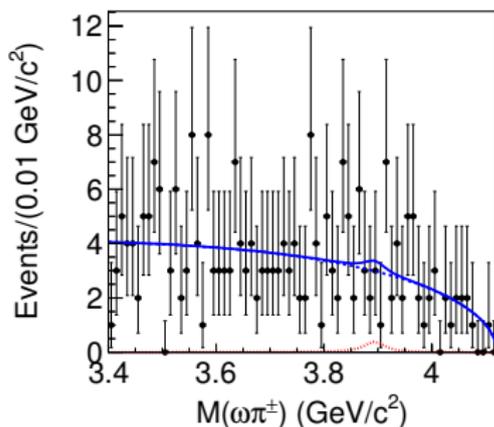
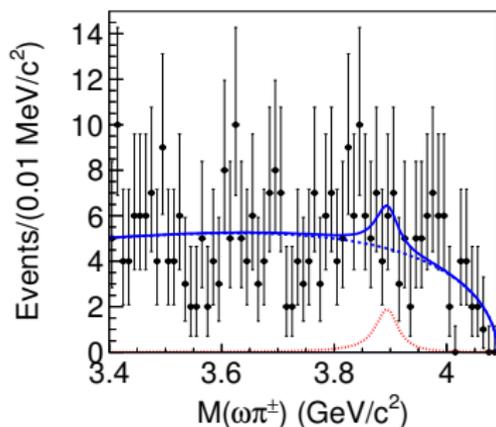
but theoretical predictions very difficult,  
order-of-magnitude only

$$Z_c(3900)^+ \rightarrow \omega\pi^+ \rightarrow (\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0)\pi^+$$

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$$\sqrt{s} = 4.230 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\sqrt{s} = 4.260 \text{ GeV}$$



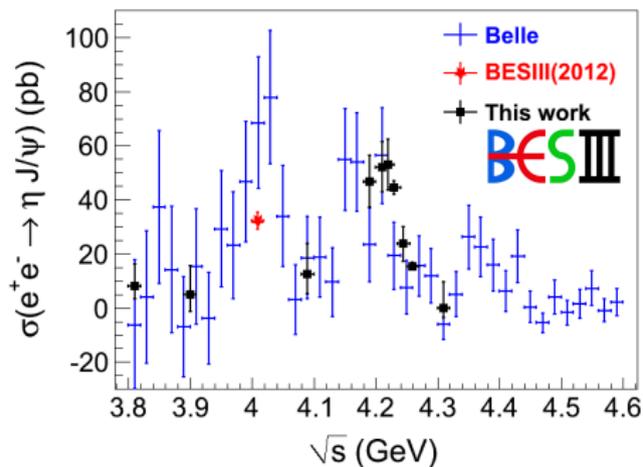
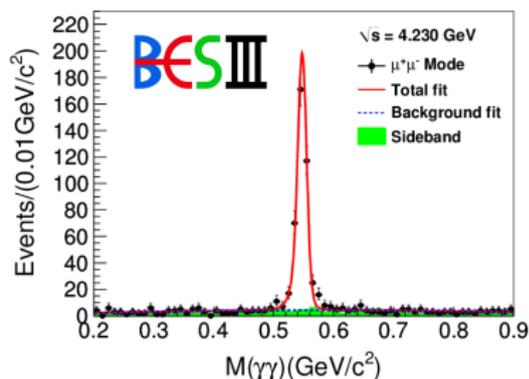
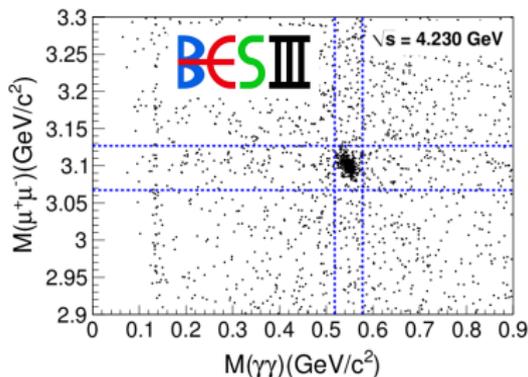
$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow Z_c^+\pi^-, Z_c^+ \rightarrow \omega\pi^+) < 0.26 \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow Z_c^+\pi^-, Z_c^+ \rightarrow \omega\pi^+) < 0.18 \text{ pb}$$

Compared to sum of  $Z_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+$  and  $Z_c^+ \rightarrow (D\bar{D}^*)^+$ :

$$\Gamma(Z_c^+ \rightarrow \omega\pi^+) < 0.2\% \Gamma_{\text{tot}}$$

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \eta J/\psi$$



Compare to  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma_{\text{ISR}}\eta J/\psi$  from Belle, PRD **87**, 051101(R) (2013)

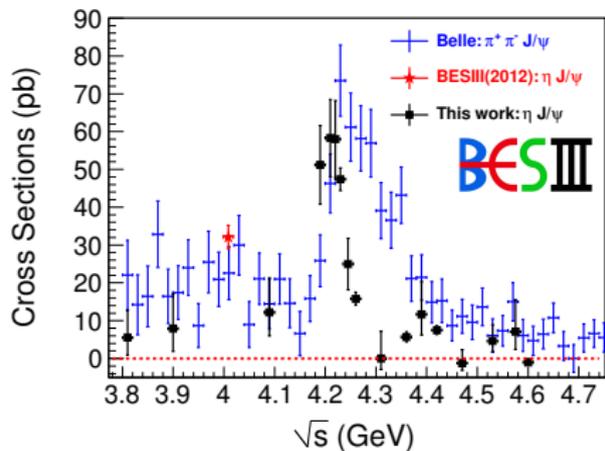
Good agreement, significantly better precision

Cross section peaks around 4.2 GeV

Also searched for  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^0 J/\psi$ : no significant signal found

# $e^+e^- \rightarrow \eta J/\psi$ vs $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- J/\psi$

BESIII, PRD **91**, 112005 (2015)



Compare to  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma_{\text{ISR}}\pi^+\pi^- J/\psi$  from Belle, PRL **110**, 252002 (2013)

Very different line shape

➡ Different dynamics at work in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \eta J/\psi$  compared to  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- J/\psi$

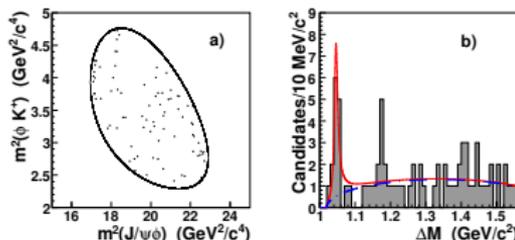
# Search for $Y(4140) \rightarrow J/\psi \phi$

CDF first reported evidence for  
 $Y(4140) \rightarrow J/\psi \phi$  in  $B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \phi K^+$ ,  
also claimed by D0 and CMS

Not seen by LHCb, Belle ( $B$  decays and  $\gamma\gamma$  events),  
or BABAR

$J/\psi \phi$  system has  $C = +1$ : search in radiative transitions of charmonium or  $Y(4260)$

If both  $Y(4260)$  and  $Y(4140)$  are *charmonium hybrids*:  
partial width of  $Y(4260) \rightarrow \gamma Y(4140)$  may be up to several tens of keV  
N. Mahajan, PLB **679**, 228 (2009)



CDF, PRL **102**, 242002, (2009)

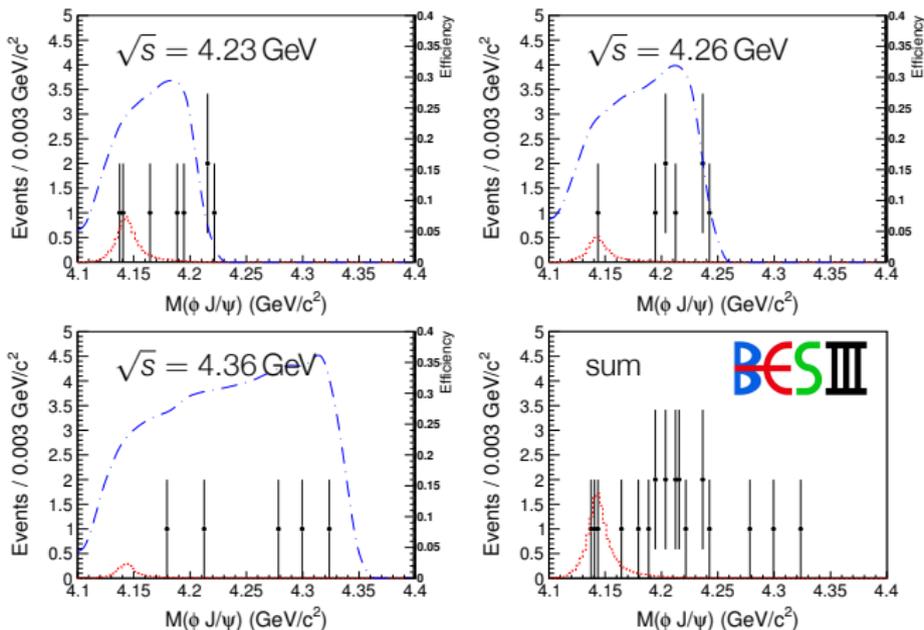
# Search for $Y(4140) \rightarrow J/\psi \phi$

Use BESIII's large data samples from 4.23 – 4.36 GeV ( $2.47 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  in total)

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma J/\psi \phi$$

$$J/\psi \rightarrow e^+e^-, \mu^+\mu^-,$$

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



# Search for $Y(4140) \rightarrow J/\psi \phi$

No significant signal found; place upper limits on  
 $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma Y(4140)) \times \mathcal{B}(Y(4140) \rightarrow J/\psi \phi)$

Compare sensitivity to  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma X(3872) \times \mathcal{B}(X(3872) \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-)$

$\sqrt{s}/\text{GeV}$	4.23	4.26	4.36
$\sigma \times \mathcal{B}(X(3872))/\text{pb}$	$0.27 \pm 0.09$	$0.33 \pm 0.12$	$0.11 \pm 0.09$
$\sigma \times \mathcal{B}(Y(4140))/\text{pb}$	$< 0.35$	$< 0.28$	$< 0.33$

Assuming  $\mathcal{B}(Y(4140) \rightarrow J/\psi \phi) \sim 30\%$  and  $\mathcal{B}(X(3872) \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-) \sim 5\%$ :

$$\frac{\sigma[e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma Y(4140)]}{\sigma[e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma X(3872)]} < 0.1 \quad \text{at } 4.23, 4.26 \text{ GeV}$$

# What have we learned?

At BESIII, together with Belle and CLEO:

- Close to  $D\bar{D}^*$  and  $D^*\bar{D}^*$  thresholds:  
charged charmonium-like structures decaying into  $\pi^+(c\bar{c})$
- Close-by: structures in  $D\bar{D}^*$  and  $D^*\bar{D}^*$
- Prominently visible in data taken near  $\sqrt{s} = 4.26 \cdots 4.36$  GeV  
where 'supernumerary'  $1^{--}$  states lie
- In each of the decay modes, also observe neutral partner

# What can we learn, and how?

- $J^P$  of the newly-discovered states?
- Other states, with other charmonia?  
Yes!  $Z_c(4430)^+ \rightarrow \psi(2S)\pi^+$  (first one, Belle & LHCb, in  $B$  decays)  
 $Z_c(4050)^+, Z_c(4250)^+ \rightarrow \chi_{c1}\pi^+$ , Belle, in  $B$  decays (not signif. in BABAR data)  
(Belle does not see  $Z_c(3900)^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+$  in  $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+K^-$ !)
- Others? E.g. with  $\eta_c$ , ...
- Other decay modes, e.g. into light hadrons?
- If we've seen isospin triplets, are there isoscalars to be found?
- Strangeness partners? (e.g.  $Y(2170) \rightarrow \phi f_0(980)$ ?)

Large experimental programme, which will define BESIII data taking in the next years  
Suggestions include fine scan ( $\Delta E \sim 100$  MeV) with  $0.5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  per point



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