

# Recent Highlights from BESIII



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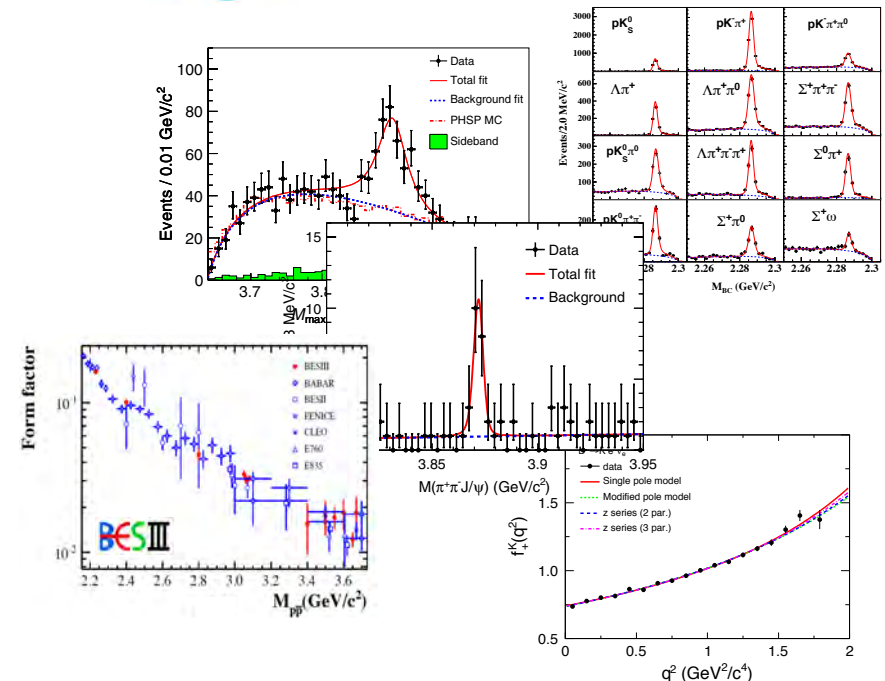
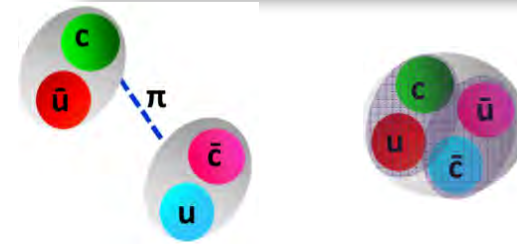
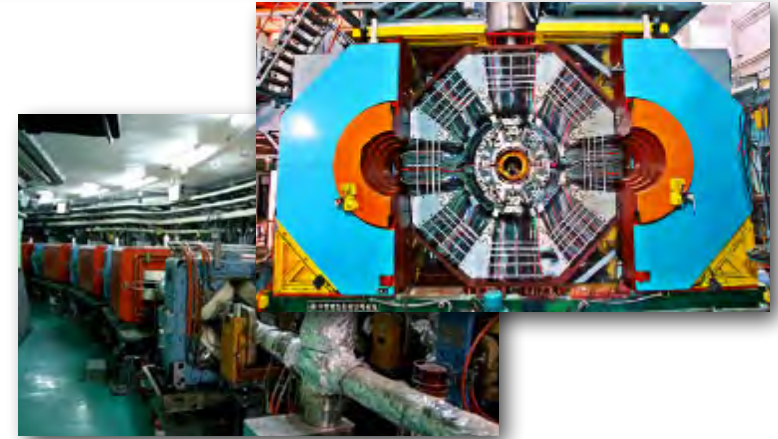
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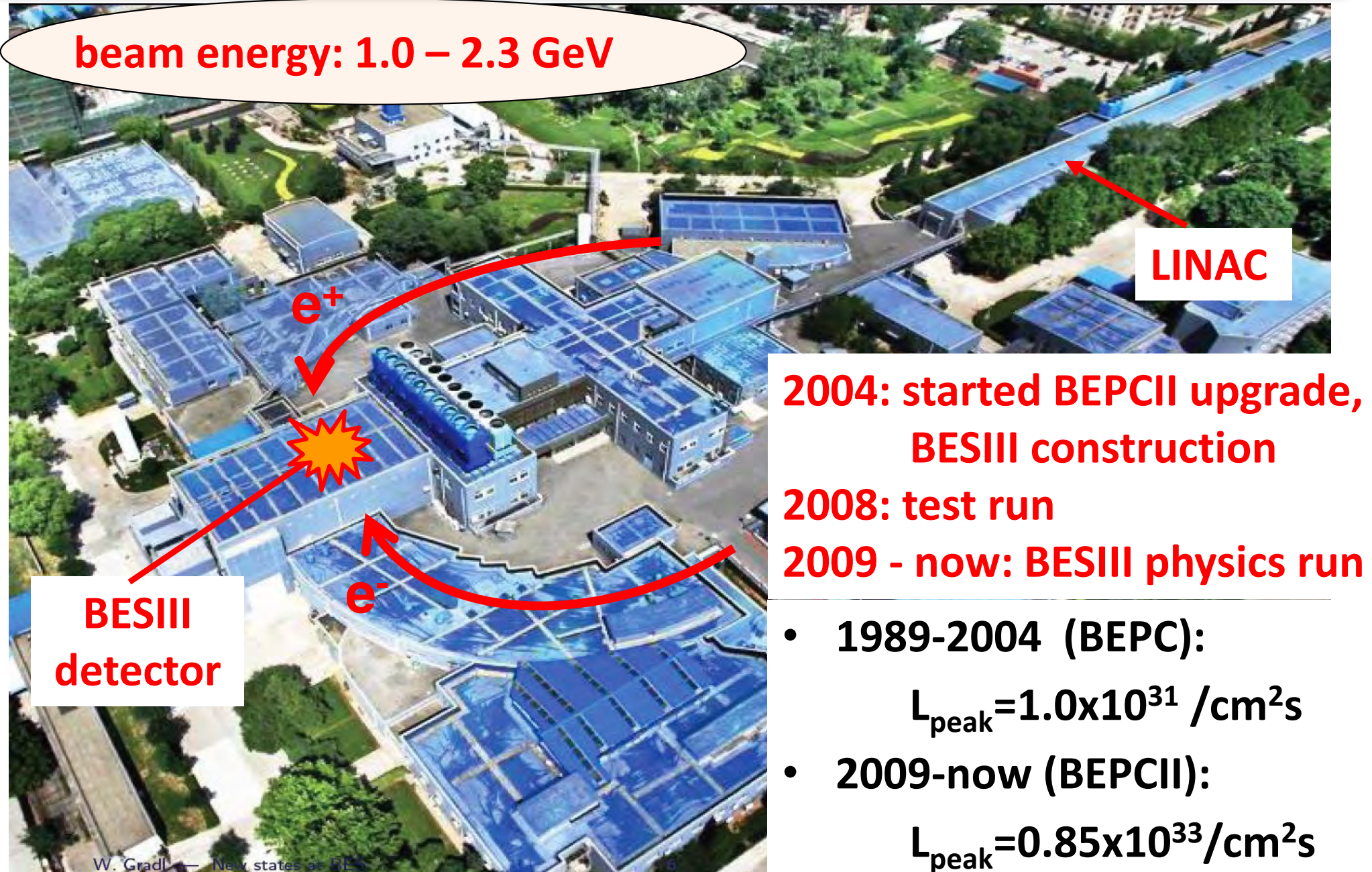


# Outline

- BEPCII collider and BESIII detector
- Data sets and BES III Physics Program
- Focus for today:
  - Light hadron spectroscopy
  - Time-like form factors
  - Exotic charmonium-like states
  - Charmed hadrons
  - Conclusions and outlook

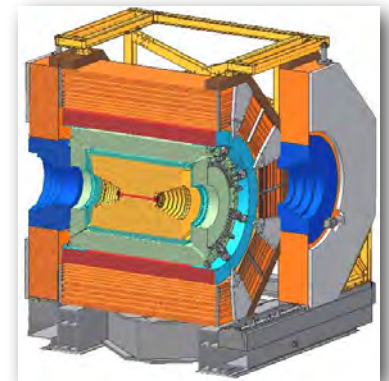
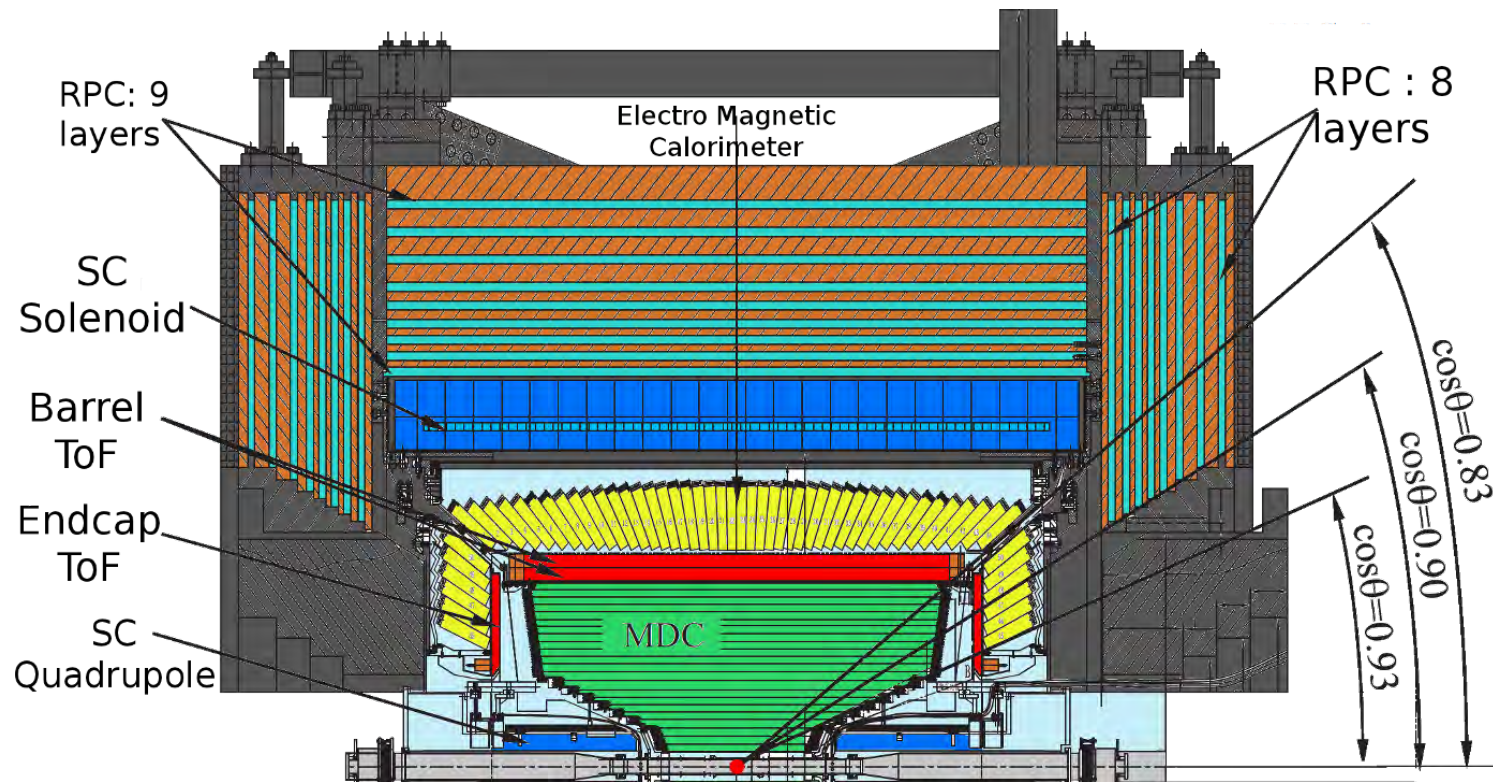


# The BEPCII Collider at IHEP Beijing





# BESIII - Detector



## Muon Chambers

- 8 – 9 layers of RPC
- $p > 400 \text{ MeV}/c$
- $\delta R\Phi = 1.4 \sim 1.7 \text{ cm}$

## Superconducting Magnet

- 1 T magnetic field

## EMC

- 6240 CsI(Tl) crystals
- $\sigma(E)/E = 2.5\%$
- $\sigma_{z,\Phi}(E) = 0.5 - 0.7 \text{ cm}$

## Mini Drift Chamber (MDC)

- $\sigma(p)/p = 0.5\%$
- $\sigma_{dE/dx} = 6.0\%$

## Time-of-flight system (TOF)

- $\sigma(t) = 80\text{ps}$  (barrel)
- $\sigma(t) = 110\text{ps}$  (endcap)



# BESIII - Collaboration

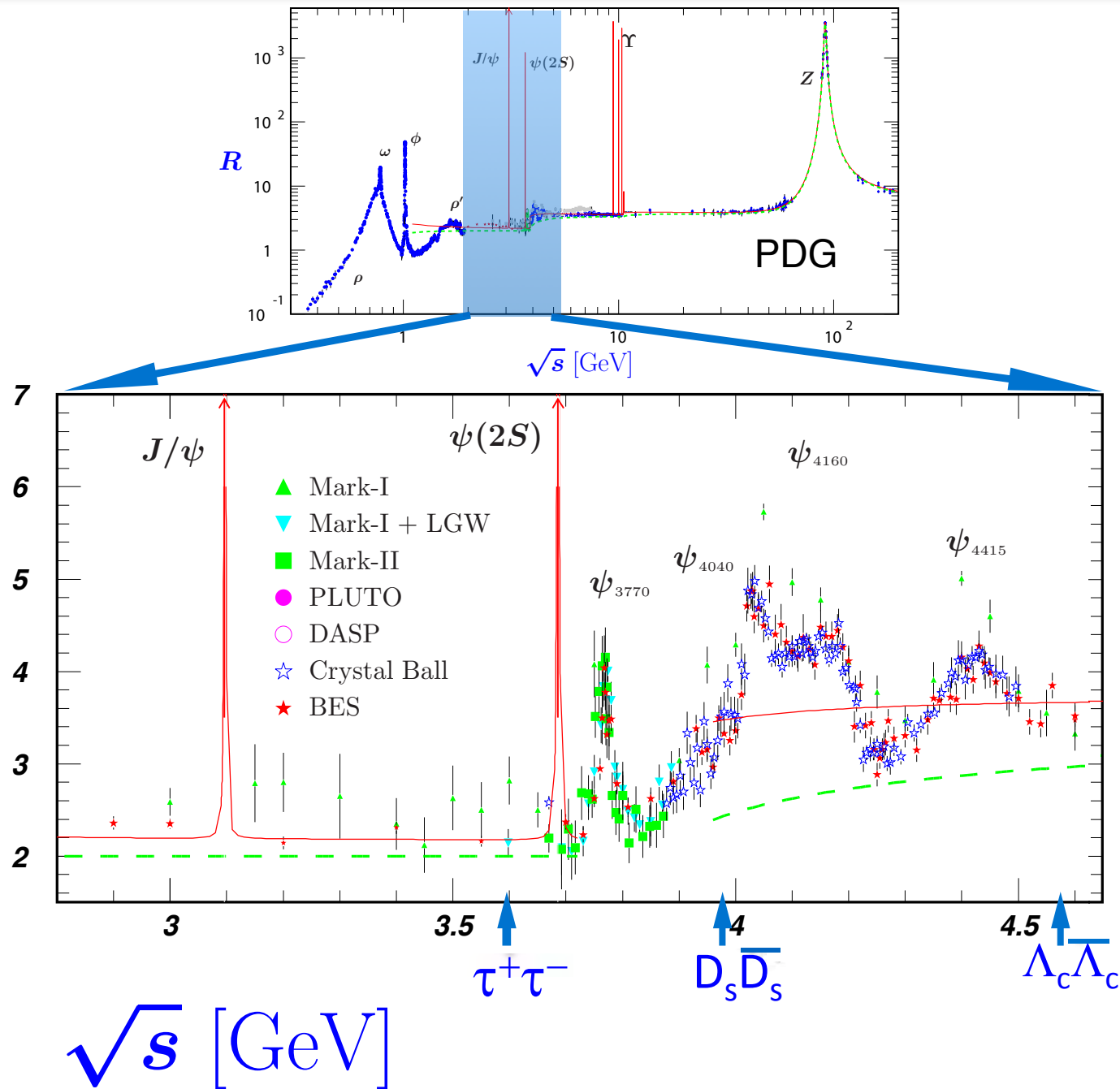
Political Map of the World, June 1999





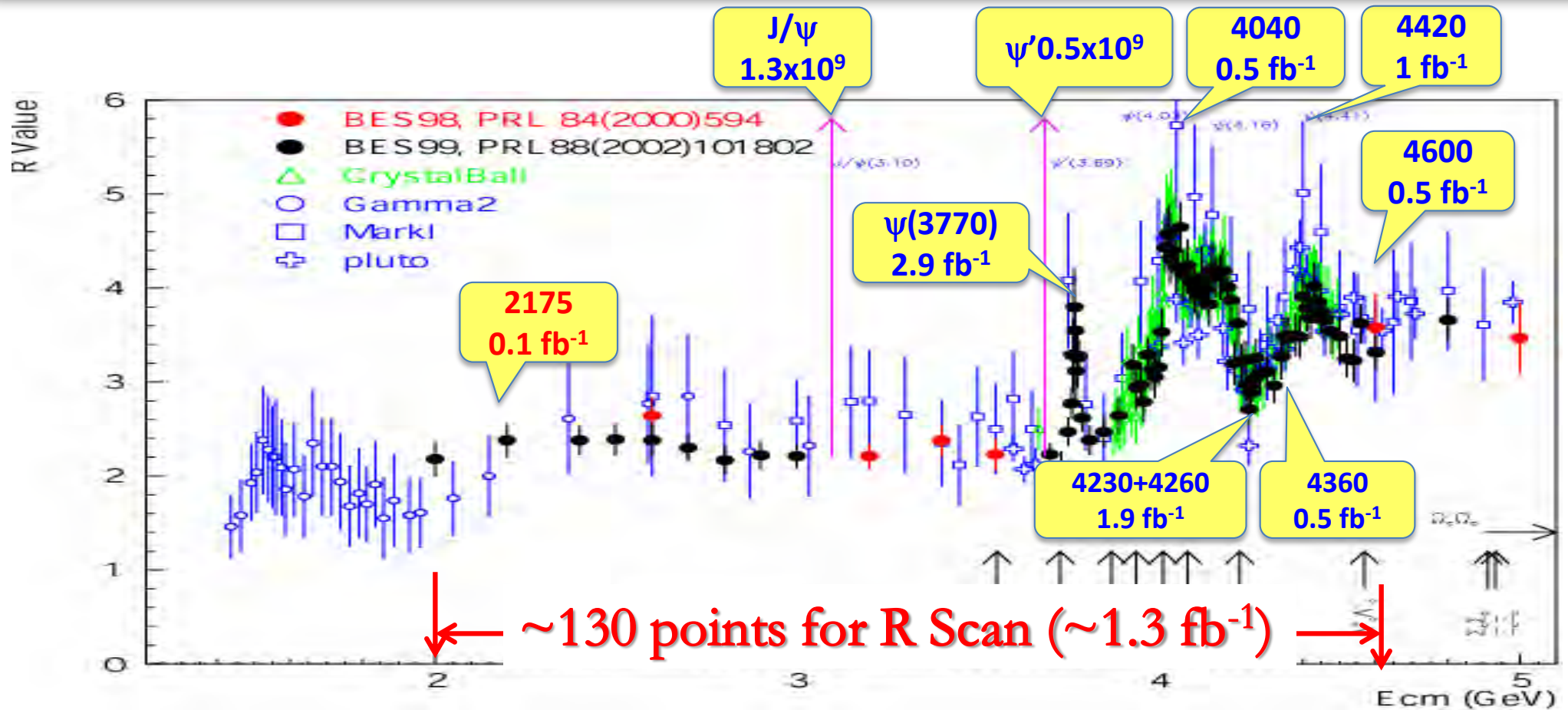
# Energy Regime of BESIII

$$R(s) = \sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}, s) / \sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-, s).$$





# BESIII Data Samples



- The world's largest samples of  $J^{PC}=1^{--}$  states produced in  $e^+e^-$  annihilation
- In addition: ISR physics, photon-photon physics



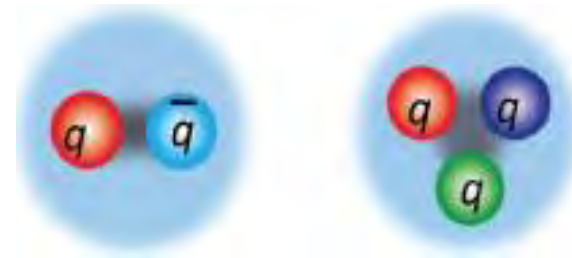
# BESIII Physics Program

- Light hadron physics
  - Spectroscopy, search for exotic hadrons
  - Time-like form factors
- Charmonium and Charmonium-like exotic (XYZ) states
- Charmed mesons and baryons
- Precision measurement of the tau lepton mass and the R value
- Rare and forbidden decays, search for BSM physics
- Rich physics program
  - Started data taking in 2009, first publication in 2010
  - Now: more than 100 publications including 19 Physical Review Letters



# Reminder: Hadrons

- Hadrons are the **bound states of QCD**
- All hadrons are **color singlets**
- Well established hadrons
  - **Mesons** (quark/antiquark states)
  - **Baryons** (3-quark states)
- However: **QCD allows more configurations:**
  - Experimentally not well established



dibaryon



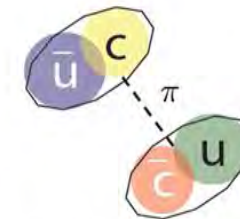
pentaquark



glueball



diquark + di-antiquark



dimeson molecule

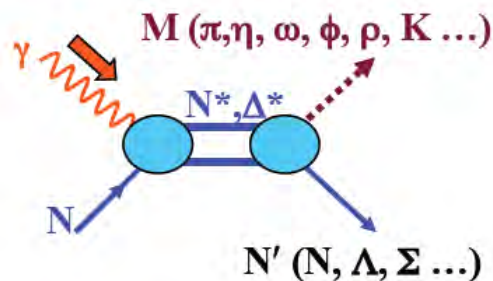


$q \bar{q} g$  hybrid

# Light Hadrons: Baryon Spectroscopy

- Long-standing problem: missing baryon resonances
- Conventional approach: scattering of photons, pions, kaons etc off nucleons

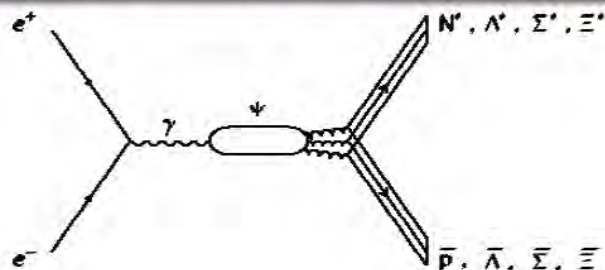
JLAB, MAMI, ELSA, .....



**Caveat:** only resonances coupling to the entrance channel can be populated

- BESIII: Charmonium decay into Baryon-Resonance+Anti-Baryon

$$J/\psi(\psi') \rightarrow \bar{B} B M \Rightarrow N^*, \Lambda^*, \Sigma^*, \Xi^*$$



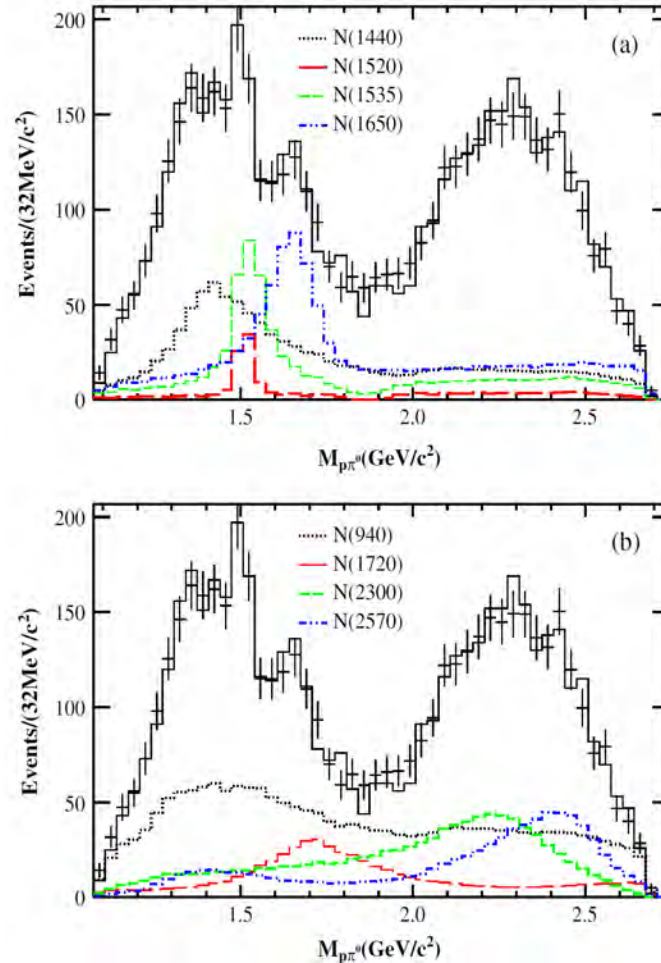
**Final state: Baryon, Anti-Baryon and Meson**  
**Works also for strange baryons**



# Baryon Resonances from Charmonium Decays

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

Phys. Rev. Lett. **110**, 022001 (2013)

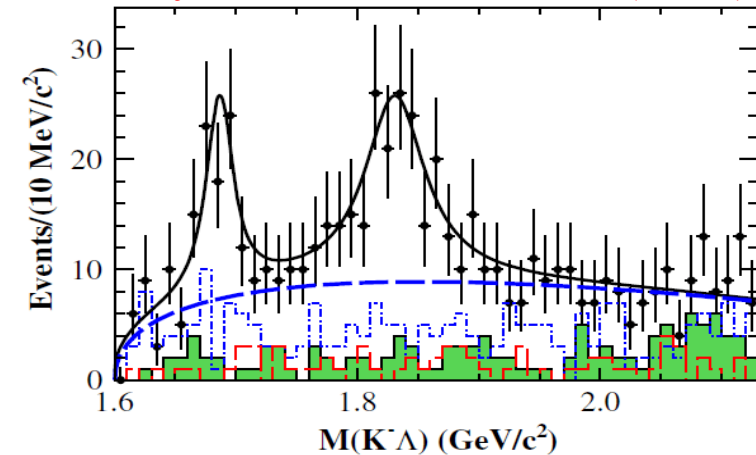


N(2300)	$2300^{+40+109}_{-30-0}$	$340^{+30+110}_{-30-58}$	120.7	4	15.0 $\sigma$
N(2570)	$2570^{+19+34}_{-10-10}$	$250^{+14+69}_{-24-21}$	78.9	6	11.7 $\sigma$

## $\psi(2S) \rightarrow K^- \Lambda \bar{\Xi}^+$

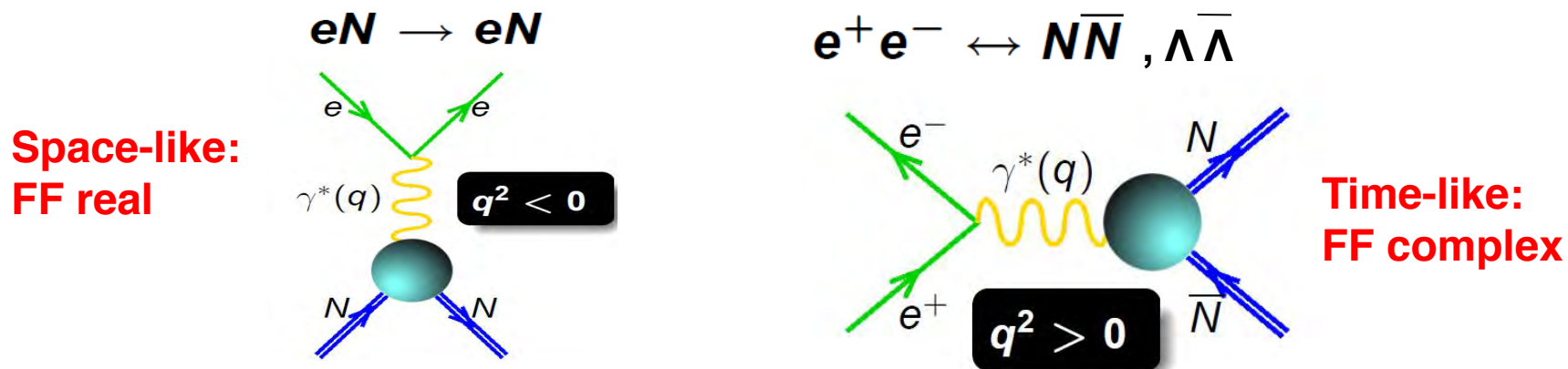
### Observation of $\Xi(1690)^- / \Xi(1820)^-$

Phys. Rev. D **91**, 092006 (2015)



	$\Xi(1690)^-$	$\Xi(1820)^-$
$M(\text{MeV}/c^2)$	$1687.7 \pm 3.8 \pm 1.0$	$1826.7 \pm 5.5 \pm 1.6$
$\Gamma(\text{MeV})$	$27.1 \pm 10.0 \pm 2.7$	$54.4 \pm 15.7 \pm 4.2$
Event yields	$74.4 \pm 21.2$	$136.2 \pm 33.4$
Significance( $\sigma$ )	4.9	6.2
Efficiency(%)	32.8	26.1
$\mathcal{B}(10^{-6})$	$5.21 \pm 1.48 \pm 0.57$	$12.03 \pm 2.94 \pm 1.22$
$M_{\text{PDG}}(\text{MeV}/c^2)$	$1690 \pm 10$	$1823 \pm 5$
$\Gamma_{\text{PDG}}(\text{MeV})$	$< 30$	$24^{+15}_{-10}$

# Time-Like Baryon Form Factors



- QCD predictions:
  - at large  $q^2$ , absolute value of  $FF(q^2)=FF(-q^2)$ 
    - Experiment: time-like FF much larger than space-like FF
- Squared ratio of neutron/proton form factors  $\approx 0.25$ 
  - Problem: only very poor data for neutron form factor

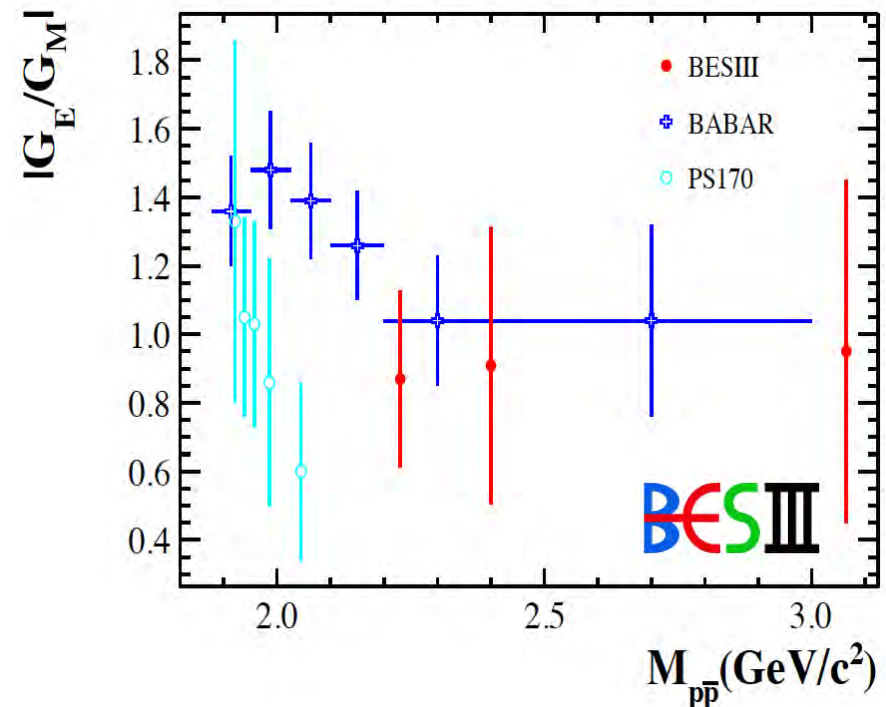
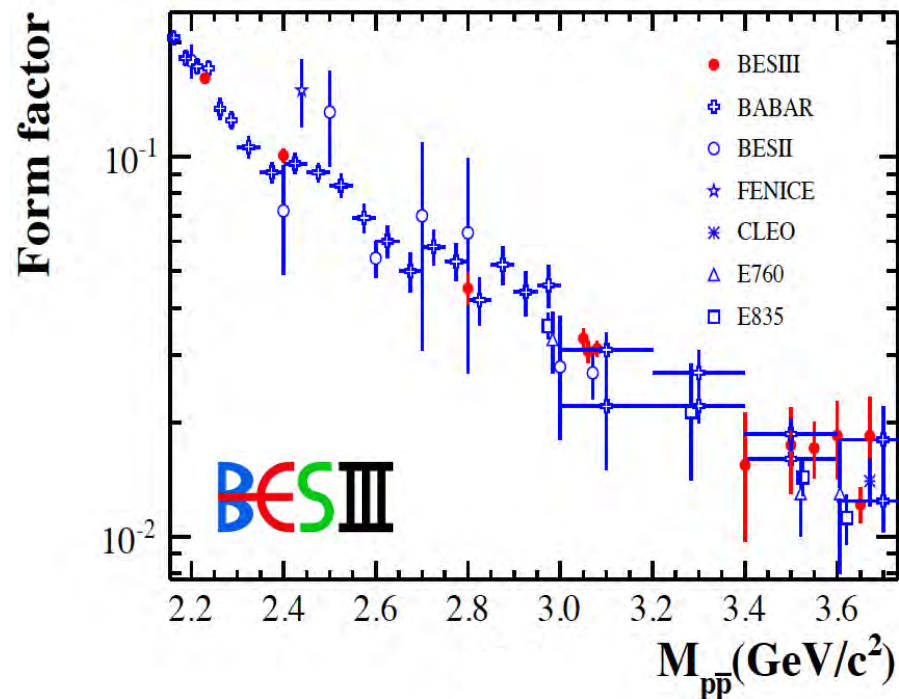


# Measurement of the Time-like Proton Form Factor

- Angular analysis allows extraction of  $|G_E/G_M|$

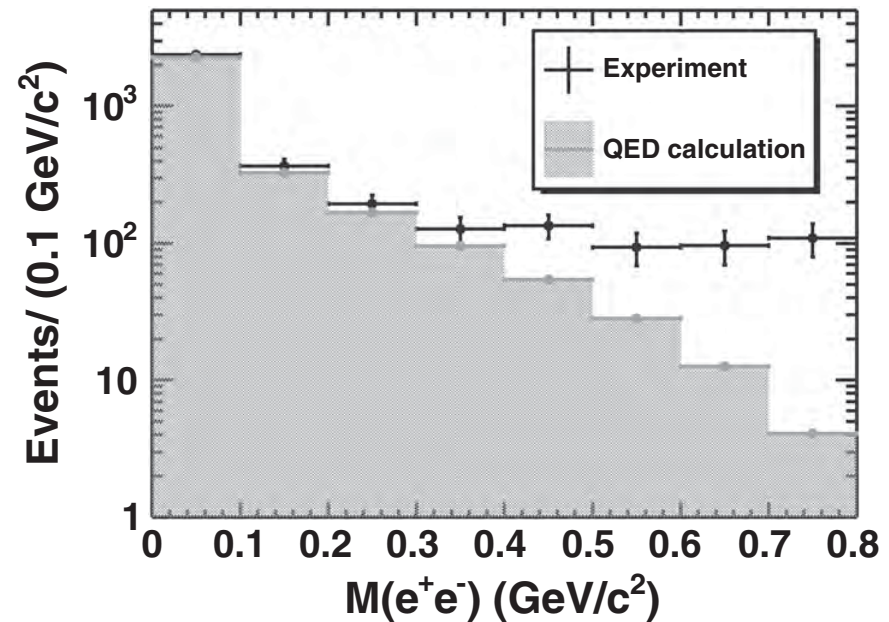
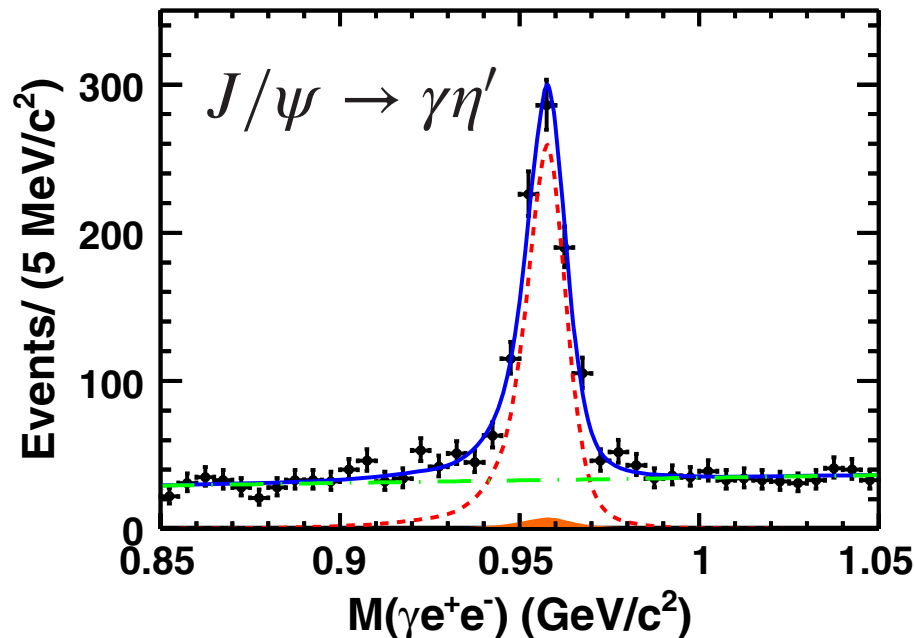
$$e^+e^- \rightarrow p\bar{p}$$

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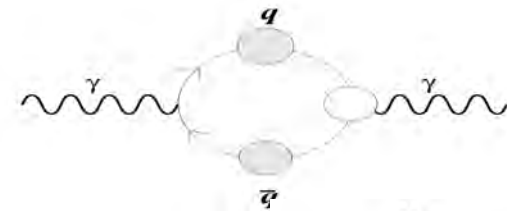


# Observation of the Dalitz Decay $\eta' \rightarrow \gamma e^+ e^-$

- Contains information about time-like FF at small  $q^2$

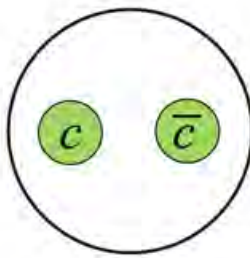


- At large  $q^2$ , strong enhancement compared to QED calculation for point-like hadron
- Possible explanation: vector meson dominance:



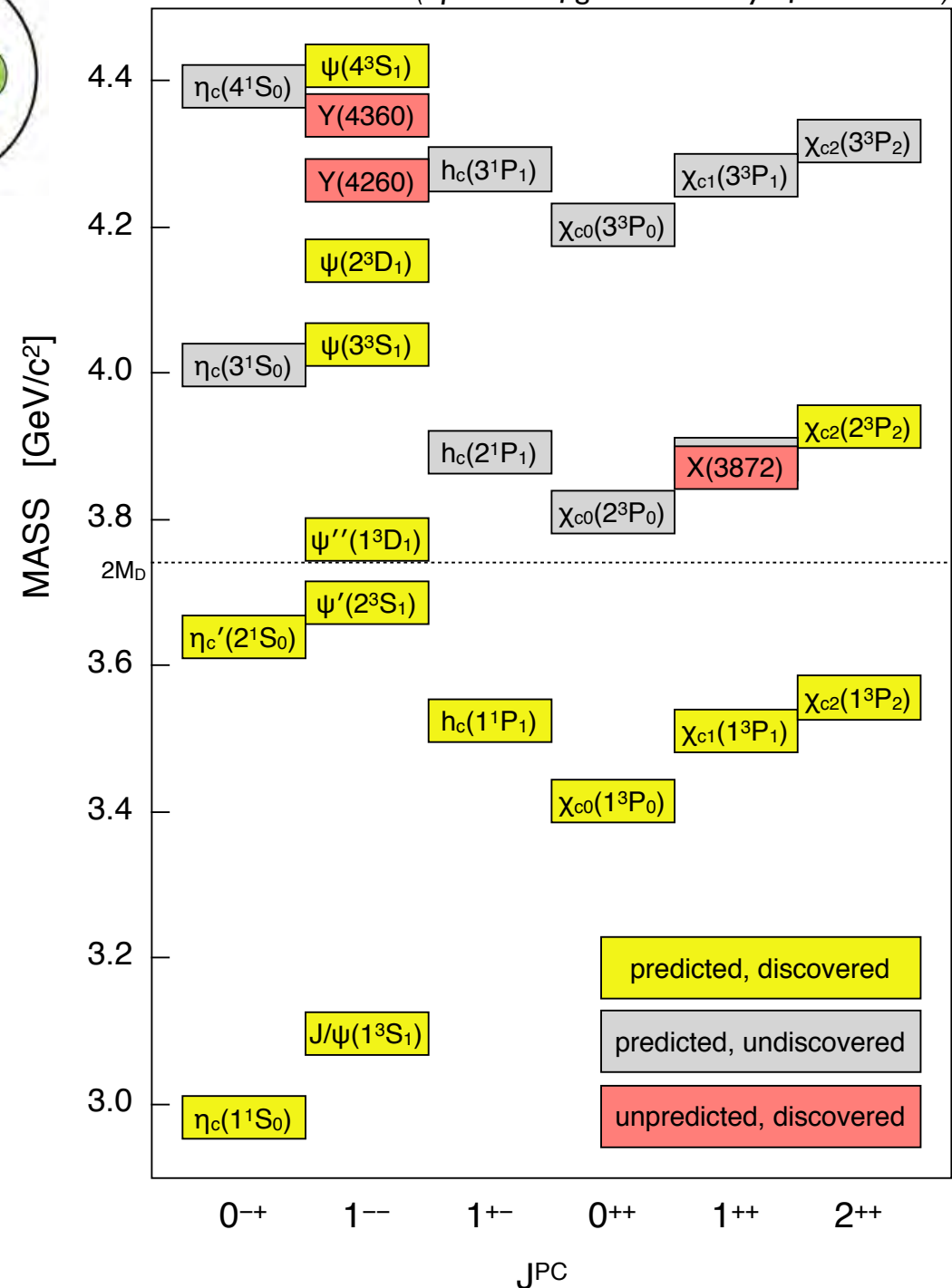


# Charmonium and Charmonium-like States



- Charmonium in QCD is like positronium in QED
  - Bound states of charm/anti-charm quarks
- Levels below the open charm threshold (“ionization”) well understood
  - Experiment and theory agree well
- Above the open charm threshold, situation more complex
  - Some of the predicted states have been found, many have not yet been observed
  - New unpredicted states have been found with properties that are not consistent with conventional charmonium states => “XYZ states”

(Spectrum figures courtesy of R. Mitchell)



Prediction: Barnes, Swanson, and Godfrey, PRD 72, 054026 (2005)

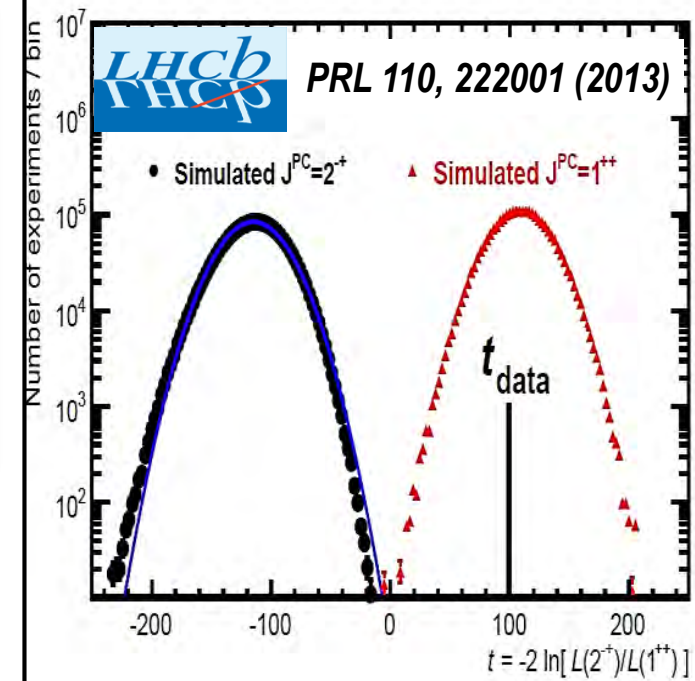
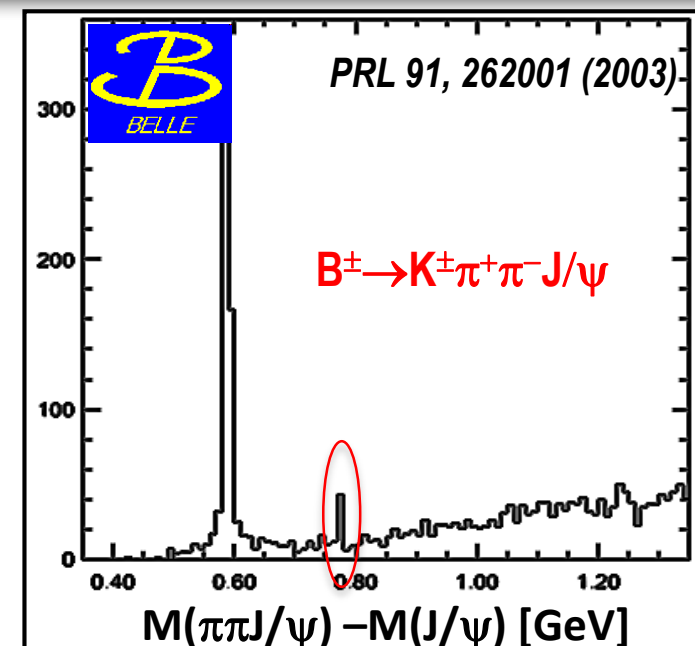
# XYZ - Physics

- **X** : neutral charmonium - like states with quantum numbers other than  $1^{--}$  (vector)
- **Y** : neutral charmonium - like states with  $1^{--}$  (vector) quantum number
  - Can be directly formed in an  $e^+e^-$  collision
- **Z** : charged charmonium-like states
  - Such a state must consist of at least 2 quarks and 2 antiquarks



# X(3872) - the first XYZ state discovered in 2003

- First X - state discovered in B decays at Belle
- Extremely narrow resonance at 3872 MeV
  - $\text{Mass}(D^0) + \text{mass}(D^{*0}) = 3871.84 \pm 0.28 \text{ MeV} \quad ? \quad ?$
  - Width  $< 1.2 \text{ MeV}$ 
    - compare  $\psi(3770) : \Gamma = 27.2 \text{ MeV}$
- Seen in many other experiments
- Peculiar decay modes:

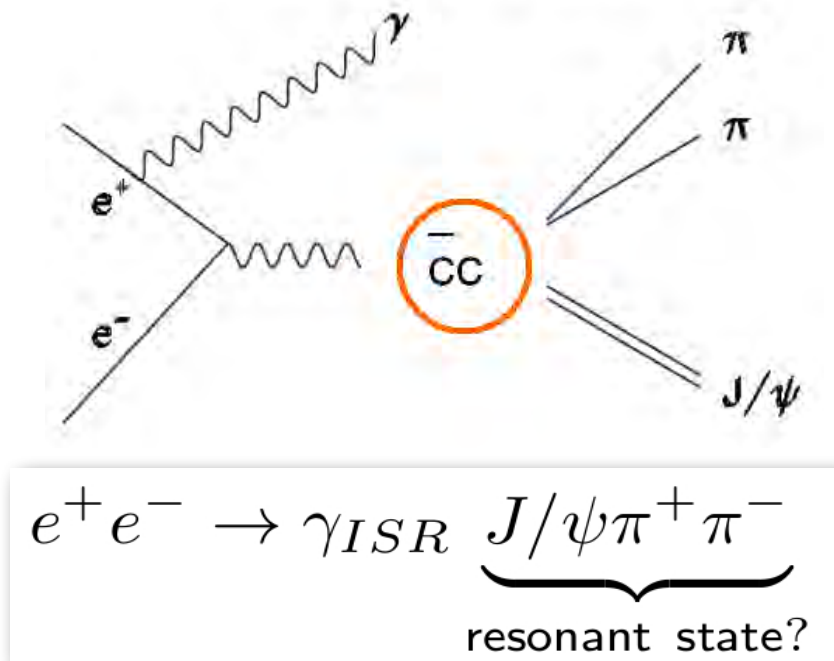


$\Gamma_i$	Mode	Fraction ( $\Gamma_i / \Gamma$ )
$\Gamma_1$	$X(3872) \rightarrow e^+ e^-$	
$\Gamma_2$	$X(3872) \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi(1S)$	$> 2.6 \%$
$\Gamma_3$	$X(3872) \rightarrow \rho^0 J/\psi(1S)$	
$\Gamma_4$	$X(3872) \rightarrow \omega J/\psi(1S)$	$> 1.9 \%$
$\Gamma_5$	$X(3872) \rightarrow D^0 \bar{D}^0 \pi^0$	$> 3.2 \times 10^{-1}$
$\Gamma_6$	$X(3872) \rightarrow \bar{D}^{*0} D^0$	$> 2.4 \times 10^{-1}$

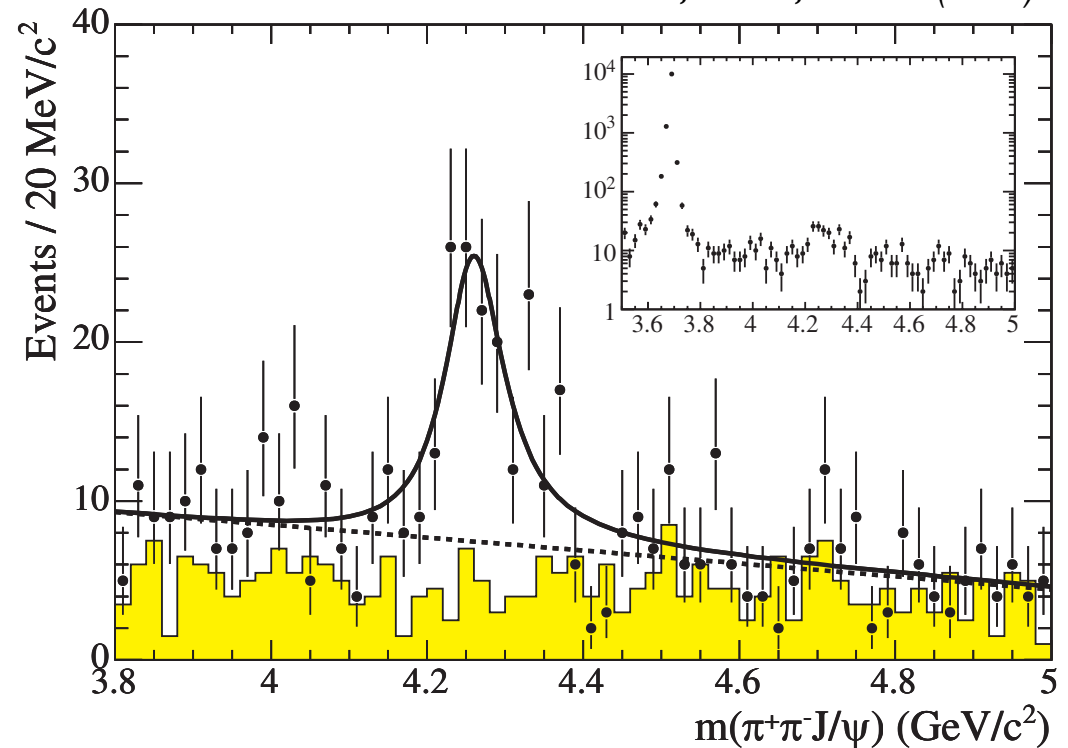
- Recently, LHCb has determined the quantum numbers to be  $J^{PC} = 1^{++}$

# The first exotic $1^{--}$ state: $Y(4260)$ , discovered by BaBar

- Discovered in initial state radiation:



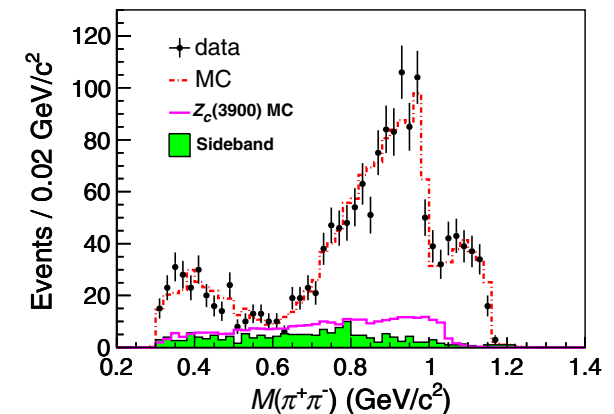
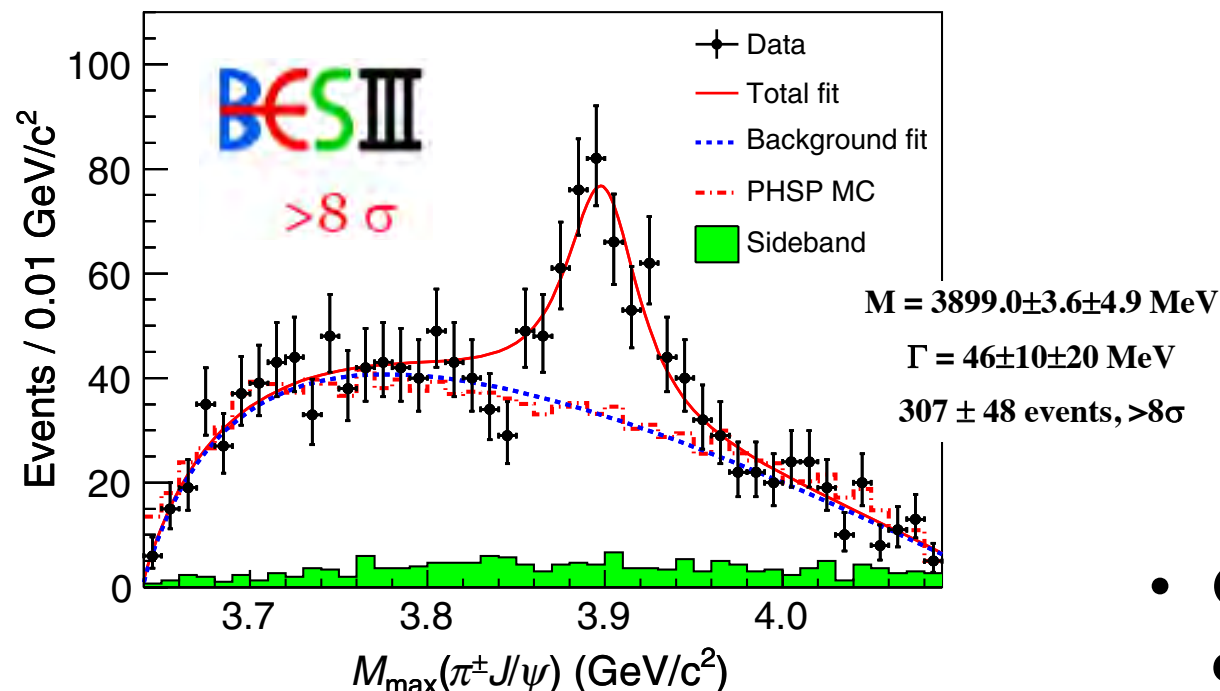
The BaBar Collaboration, PRL 95, 142001 (2005)



- Why is this no conventional charmonium state ?
  - Does not fit predicted spectrum of vector states, overpopulation of  $1^{--}$  states
  - Peculiar decay pattern:  $\frac{\mathcal{B}(Y(4260) \rightarrow D\bar{D})}{\mathcal{B}(Y(4260) \rightarrow \pi\pi J/\psi)} < 4$ 
    - Compare to  $\psi(3770)$  : ratio is  $\approx 500$  ! (open charm decays dominant)

# Z(3900): Discovery of a charged Charmonium-Like State by BESIII, confirmed by Belle and CLEOc Data

- Idea:  $\Upsilon(4260)$  seems exotic - let's look at its decay products
- Strong decay to  $J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$
- Analyze Dalitz plot, understand structures in  $\pi^+ \pi^-$  mass spectrum (scalar mesons)



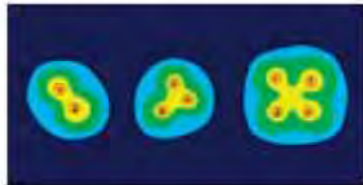
- Clear evidence for a charged charmonium-like state !



## Notes from the Editors: Highlights of the Year

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### PHYSICS VIEWPOINT



### New Particle Hints at Four-Quark Matter

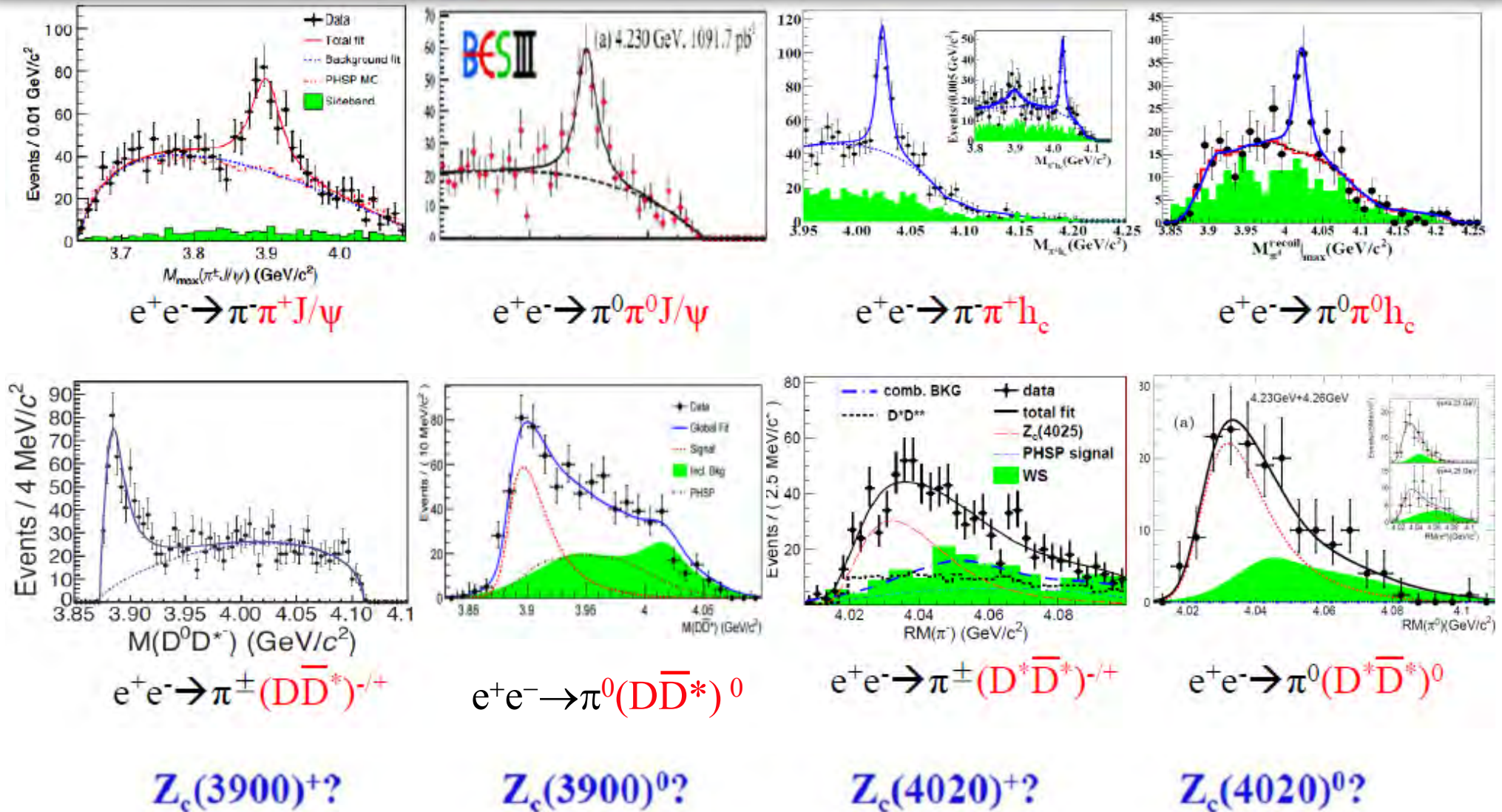
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Two experiments have detected the signature of a new particle, which may combine quarks in a way not seen before.

This is the first charged Z state  
observed by 2 experiments!

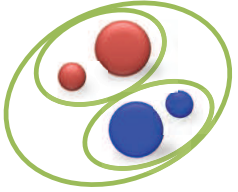
named „APS Highlight of the year 2013“  
among others, e.g. extra-solar neutrinos by IceCube

# Discovery of 2 Charmonium-like Isospin Triplets



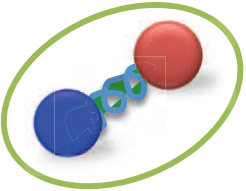
- States observed via open charm decays and via pion decay have compatible mass and width
- Suggestion: we are seeing two isospin triplets in two different decay modes

# What are these states ?



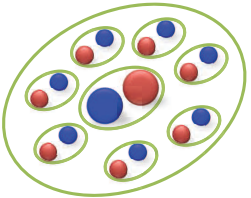
## Tetraquark

→ Compact object formed from  $(Qq)$  and  $(\bar{Q}\bar{q})$



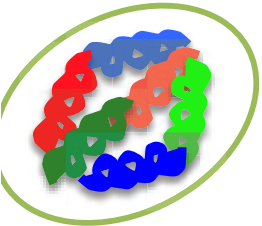
## Hybrid

→ Compact with active gluons and  $\bar{Q}Q$



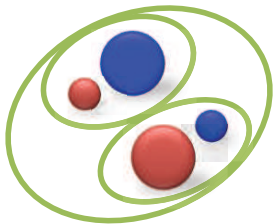
## Hadro-Quarkonium

→ Compact  $(\bar{Q}Q)$  surrounded by light quarks



## Glueball

→ Compact object just made off gluons



## Hadronic-Molecule

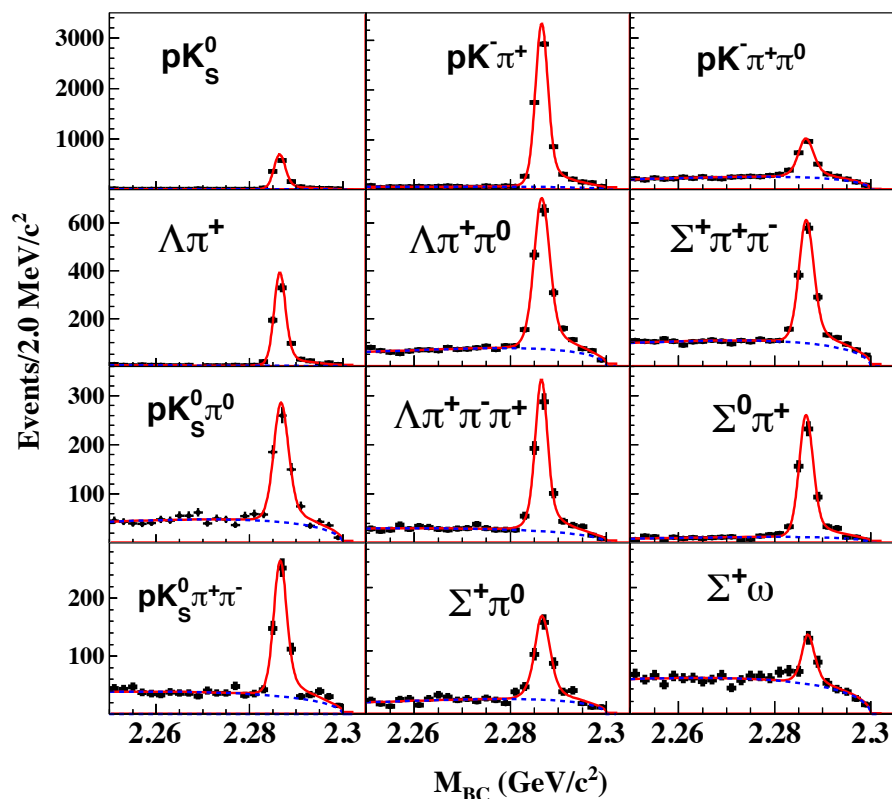
→ Extended object made of  $(\bar{Q}q)$  and  $(Q\bar{q})$

....or...mixtures of such configurations with/without conventional charmonium states



# Charmed Baryons: $\Lambda_c$ decays

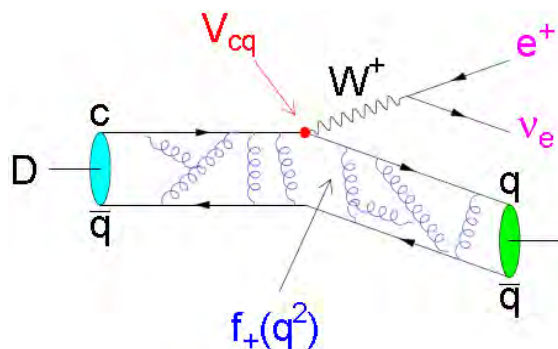
- Measurement of absolute branching fractions for Cabibbo-favored hadronic decays using double-tagged data



Mode	This work(%)	PDG(%)	Belle(%)
$pK_S^0$	$1.47 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.03$	$1.15 \pm 0.30$	$6.84 \pm 0.24^{+0.21}_{-0.27}$
$pK^- \pi^+$	$5.64 \pm 0.27 \pm 0.22$	$5.0 \pm 1.3$	
$pK_S^0 \pi^0$	$1.75 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.05$	$1.65 \pm 0.50$	
$pK_S^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$	$1.46 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.09$	$1.30 \pm 0.35$	
$pK^- \pi^+ \pi^0$	$4.22 \pm 0.23 \pm 0.28$	$3.4 \pm 1.0$	
$\Lambda \pi^+$	$1.19 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.03$	$1.07 \pm 0.28$	
$\Lambda \pi^+ \pi^0$	$6.67 \pm 0.35 \pm 0.19$	$3.6 \pm 1.3$	
$\Lambda \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$	$3.66 \pm 0.23 \pm 0.17$	$2.6 \pm 0.7$	
$\Sigma^0 \pi^+$	$1.21 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.03$	$1.05 \pm 0.28$	
$\Sigma^+ \pi^0$	$1.13 \pm 0.09 \pm 0.03$	$1.00 \pm 0.34$	
$\Sigma^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$	$4.05 \pm 0.23 \pm 0.20$	$3.6 \pm 1.0$	
$\Sigma^+ \omega$	$1.50 \pm 0.20 \pm 0.09$	$2.7 \pm 1.0$	

# Charmed Mesons: Form Factors for Semi-leptonic Decays

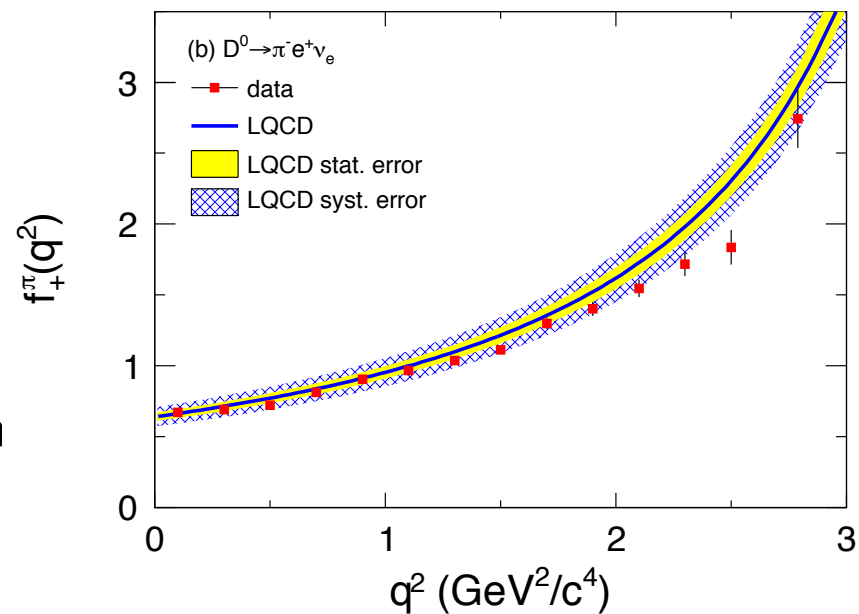
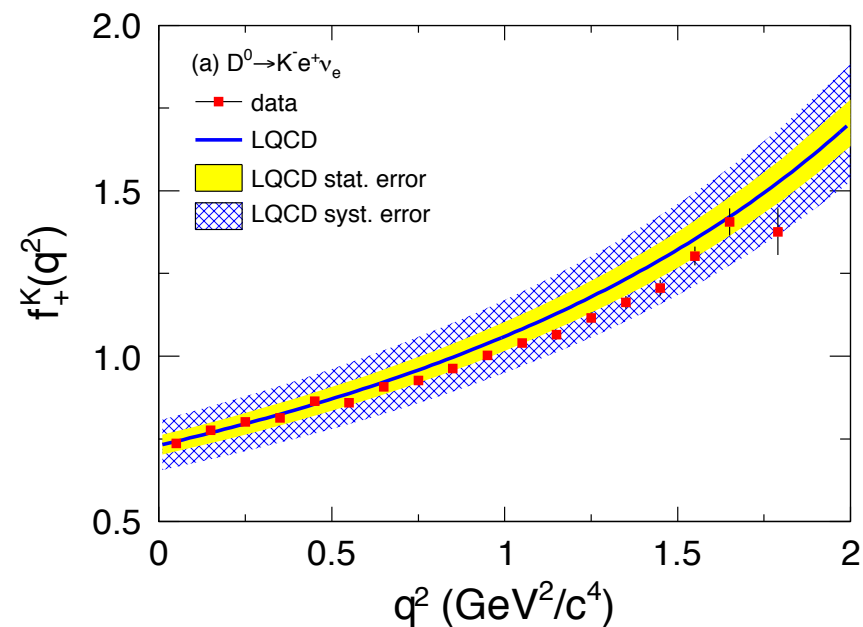
Measure semi-leptonic decay rate



$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dq^2} = \frac{G_F^2}{24\pi^3} |V_{cs(d)}|^2 |\vec{p}_{K^-(\pi^-)}|^3 |f_+^{K(\pi)}(q^2)|^2$$

Two options:

1. Take CKM matrix element (unitarity!) and determine FF
  1. Important benchmark for LQCD
2. Take FF from LQCD and determine CKM matrix element



# Summary and Outlook

- Rich Physics Program at BESIII !
- Charmonium decays as a source of light hadrons for spectroscopy and form factor measurements
- Charmonium spectroscopy is an excellent probe to study QCD in the transition between the perturbative and non-perturbative regime
- Within the last 10 years, a whole new class of charmonium -like states has been discovered that have properties which cannot be understood in terms of conventional charmonium states
  - **The structure of these states is not well understood, we know that the charged structures must contain at least two quark/antiquark pairs**
- BESIII has discovered two isospin triplets of such charmonium-like structures
  - This looks like that QCD has to offer more types of bound states than just mesons and baryons - see also: Charmonium-like pentaquark at LHCb !!!
    - Tetraquarks, meson molecules, pentaquarks..... ???
- BESIII has excellent opportunities in open charm physics: precision measurement of form factors and decay constants, charmed baryon decay, ...
- Not covered today: precision measurement of the tau lepton mass, R-Value scan, search for BSM physics
- The BESIII experiment will be running for many more years, with an upgraded detector configuration: expect to see a lot of exciting results in the future!