

# Amplitude analysis of heavy meson systems at BESIII

*XYZ states – recent progress and future perspectives*

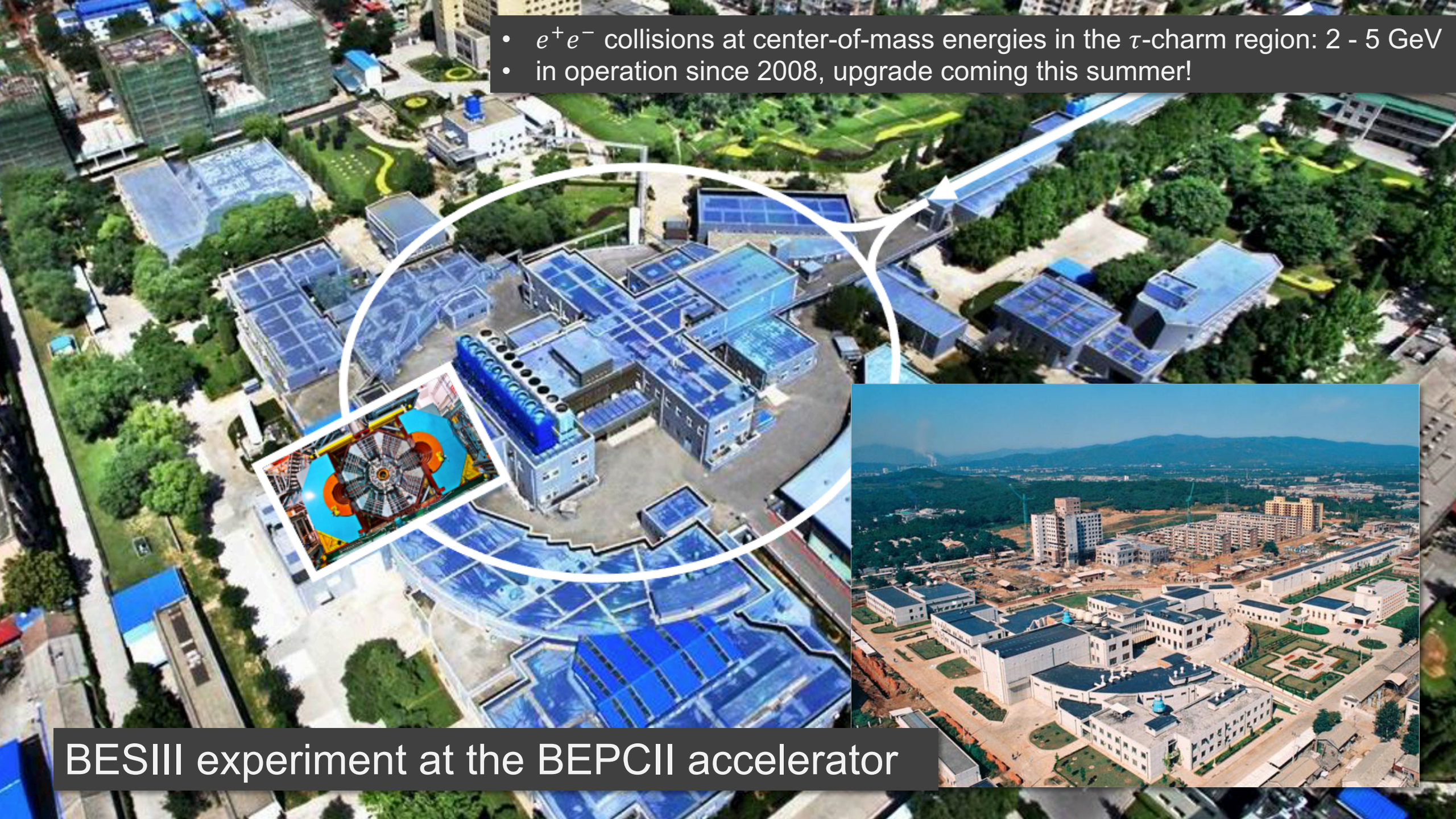
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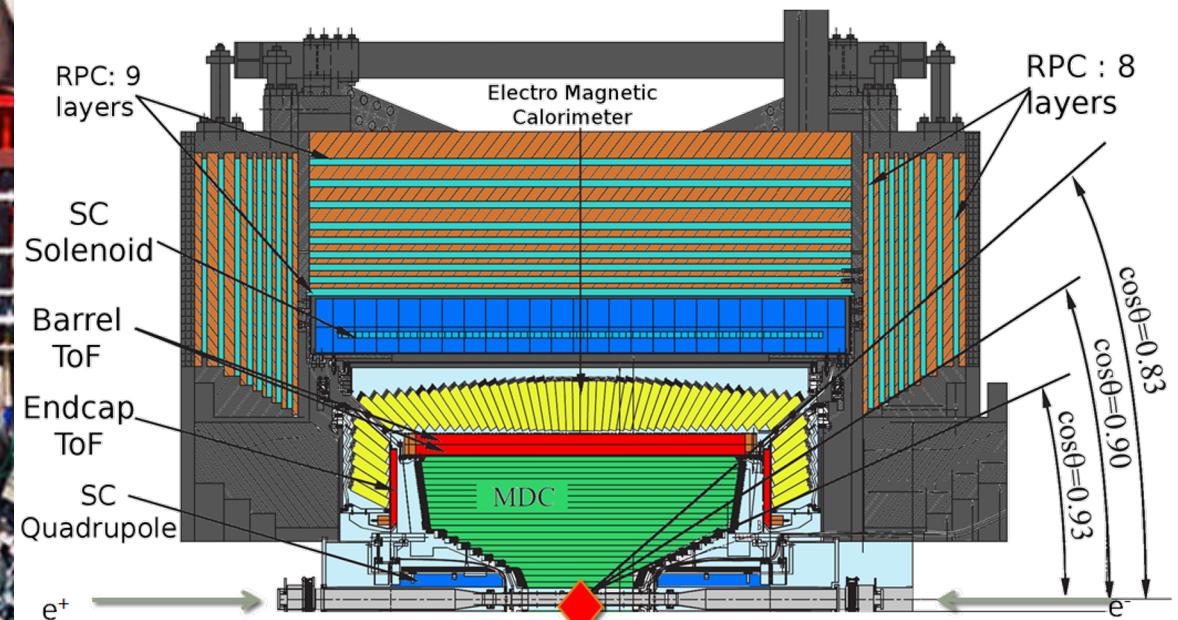


- $e^+e^-$  collisions at center-of-mass energies in the  $\tau$ -charm region: 2 - 5 GeV
- in operation since 2008, upgrade coming this summer!



BESIII experiment at the BEPCII accelerator

# The BESIII experiment



Beijing Spectrometer BESIII:

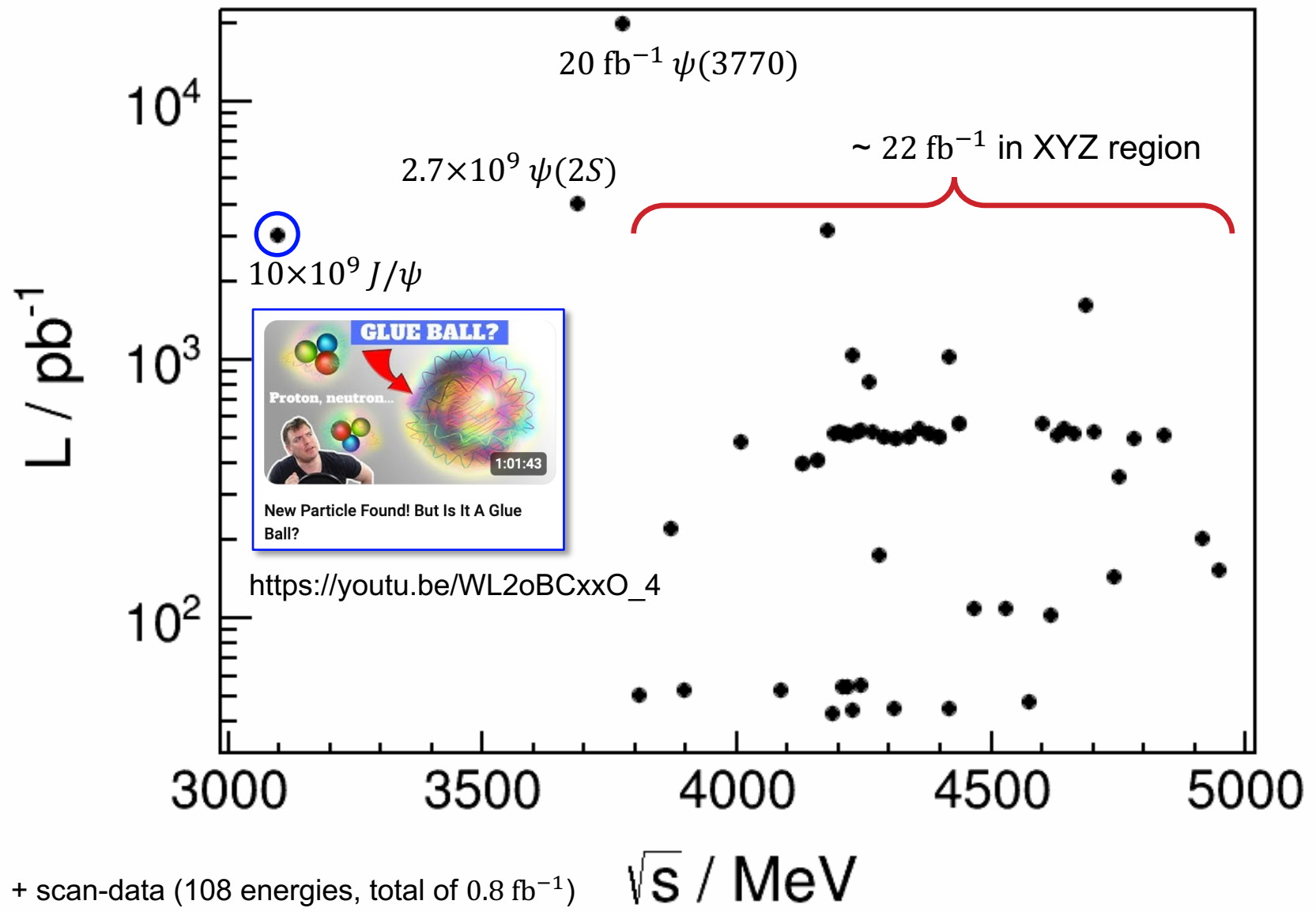
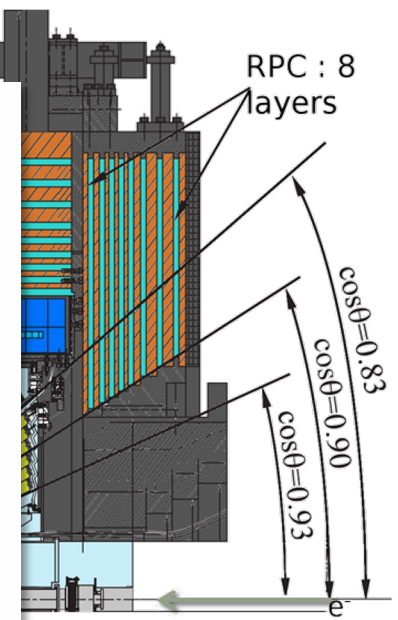
- drift chamber in 1 T magnetic field
- time-of-flight detector
- electromagnetic calorimeter
- muon counter

- located at IHEP, Beijing
- international collaboration:
  - > 600 members
  - 85 institutes
  - 17 countries

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After BESIII:  
 1 T magnetic field  
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 calorimeter

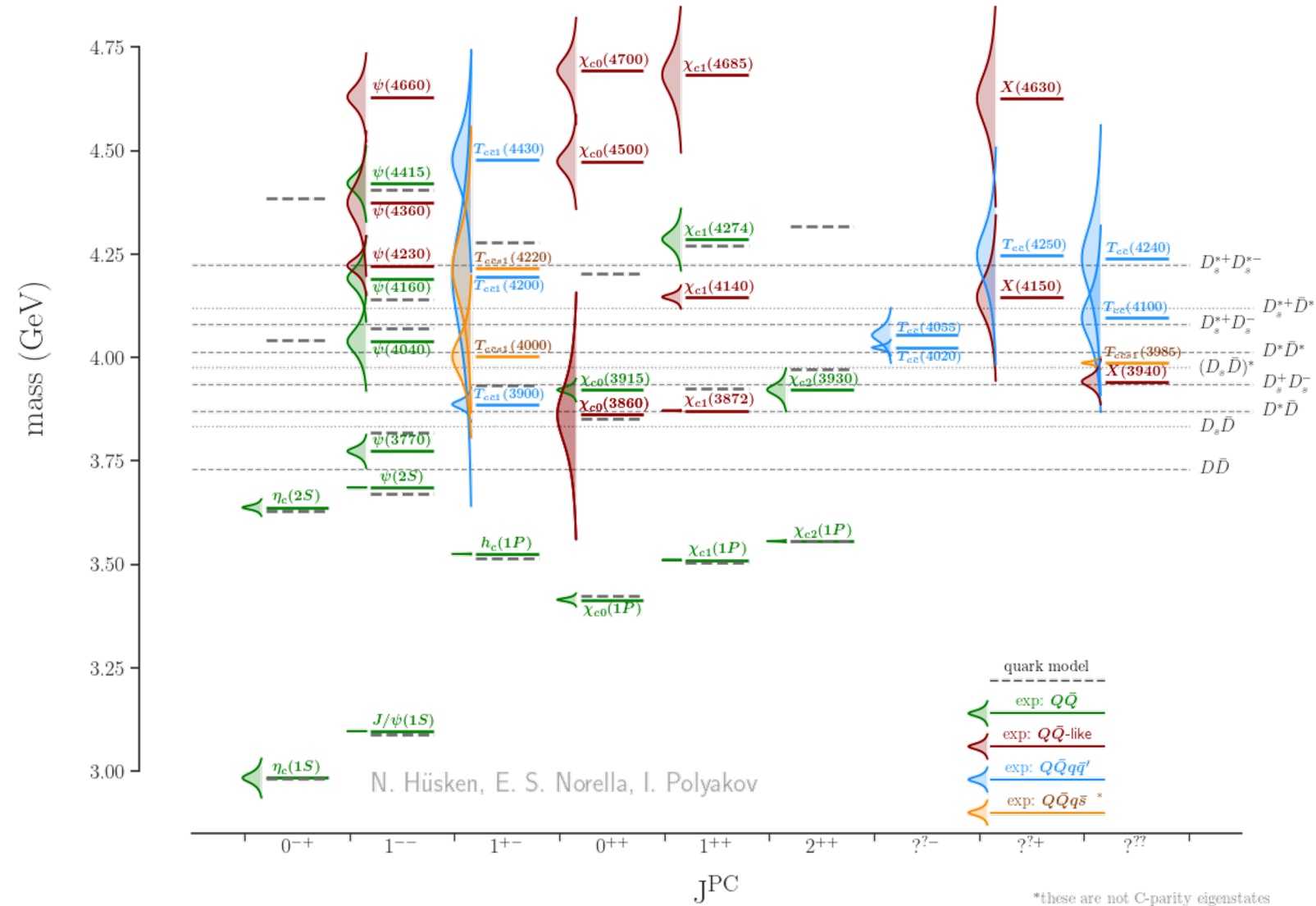
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+ scan-data (108 energies, total of 0.8 fb⁻¹)

$\sqrt{s} / \text{MeV}$

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# XYZ physics



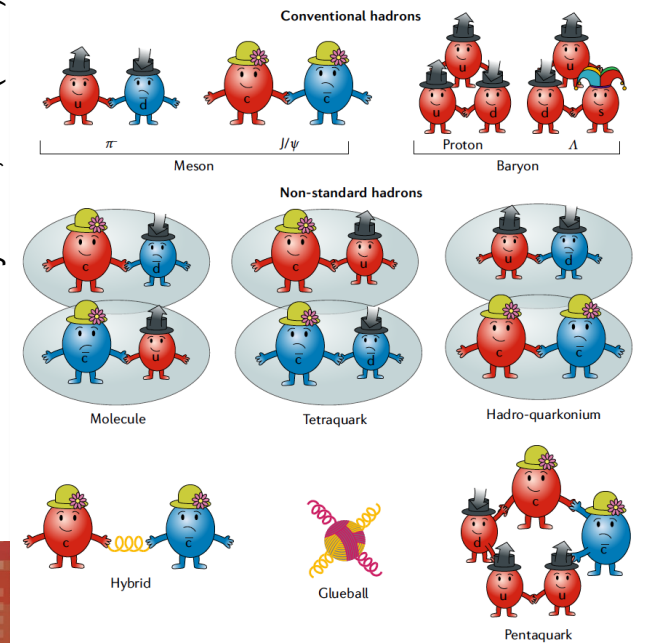
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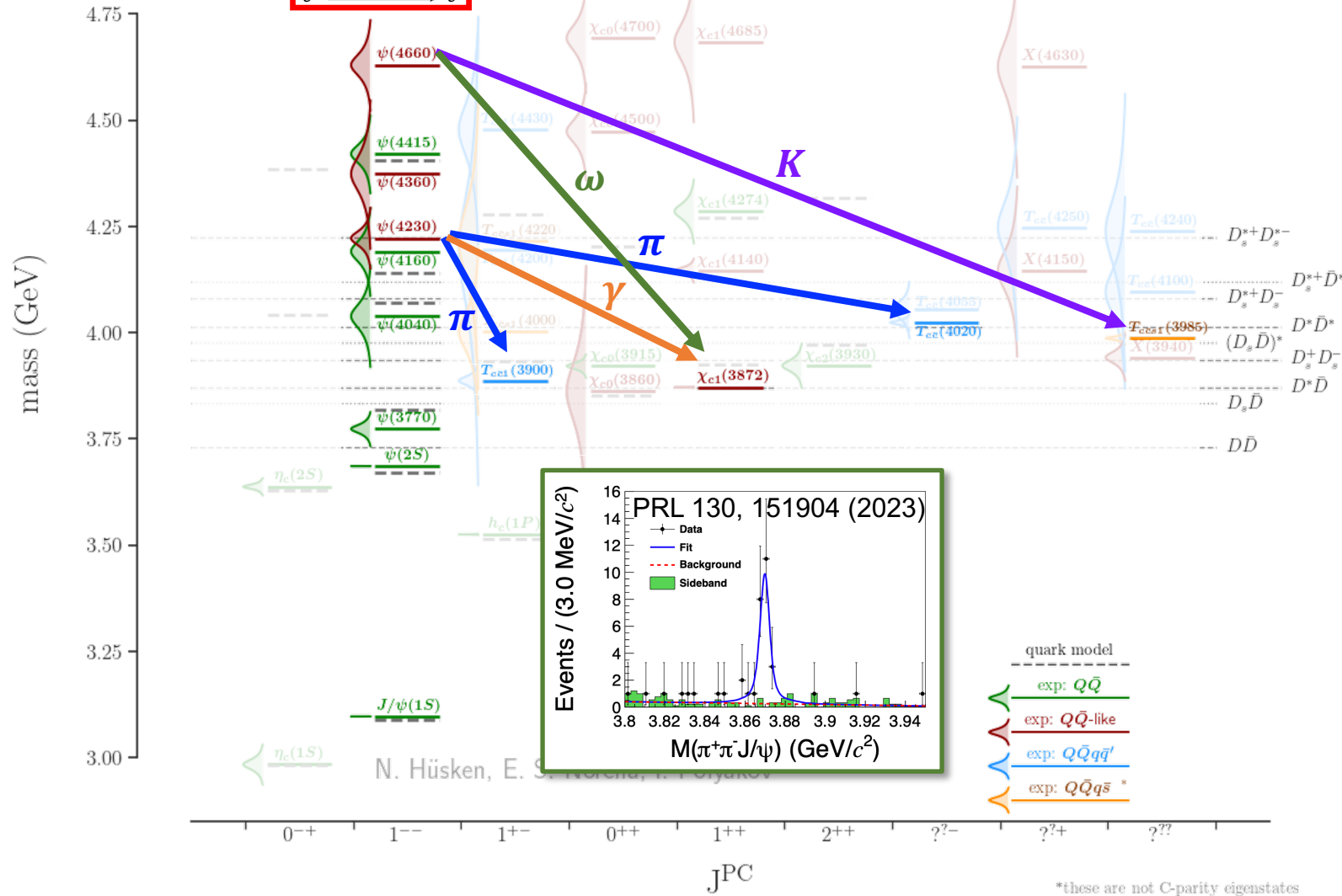
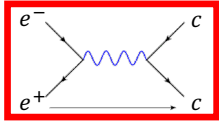
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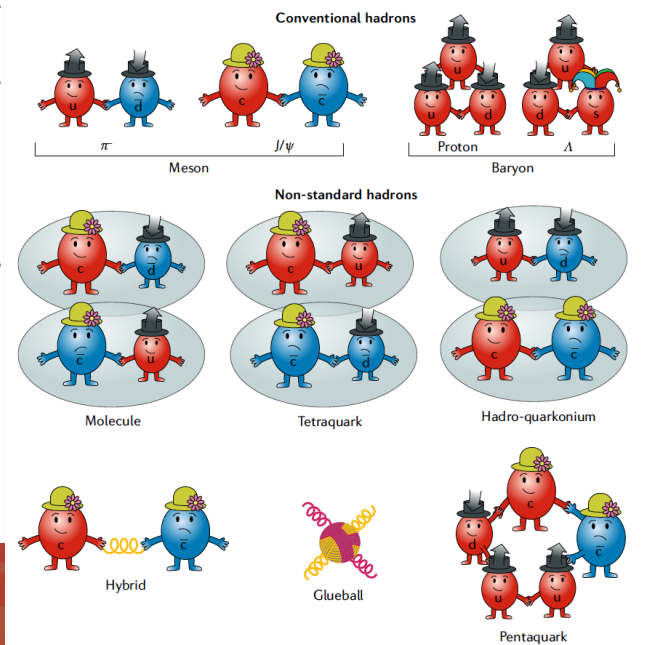
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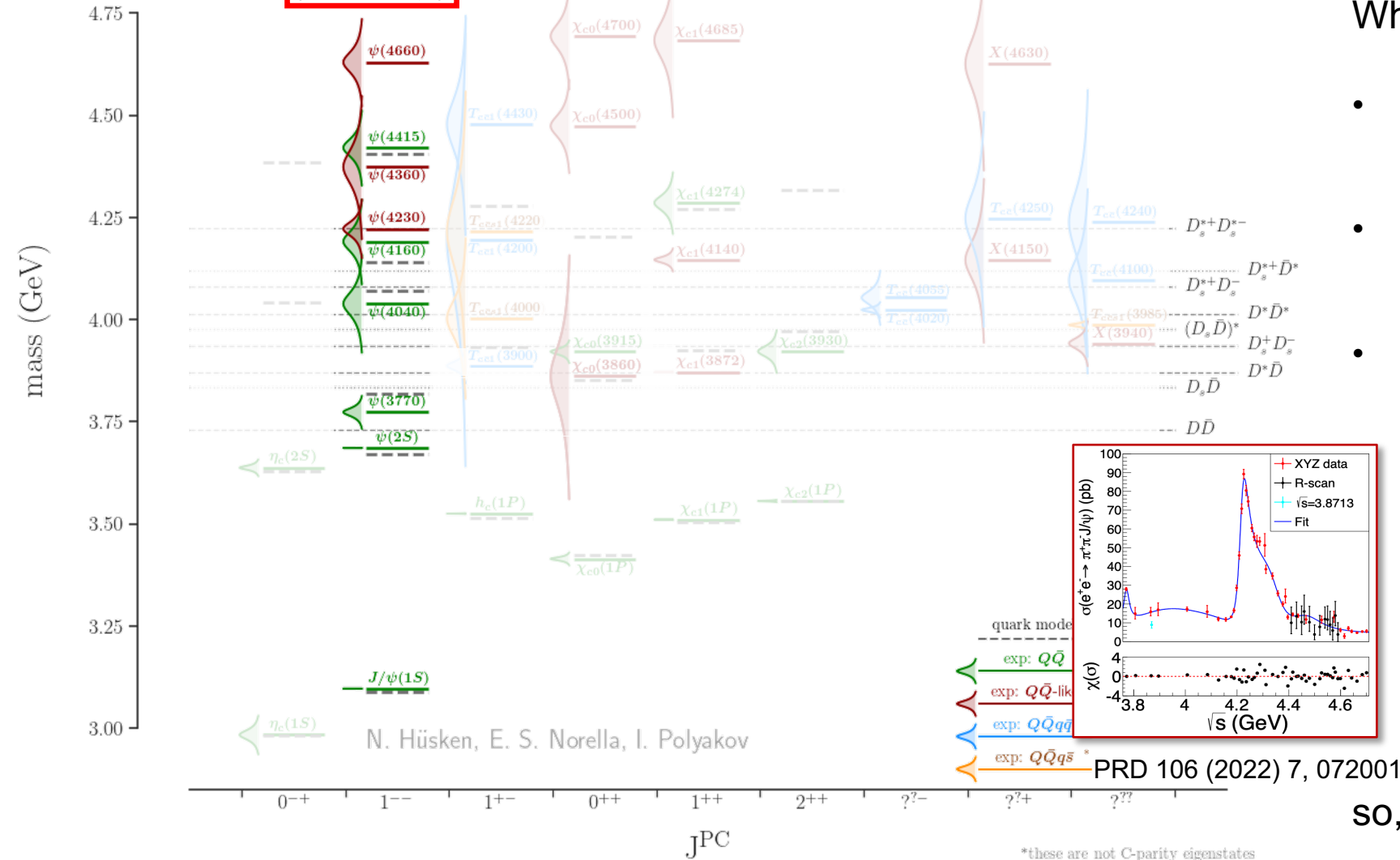
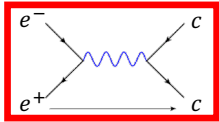
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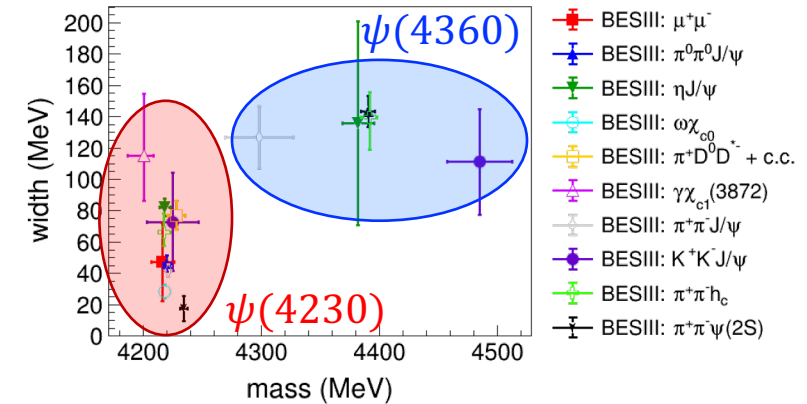
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What is the situation?

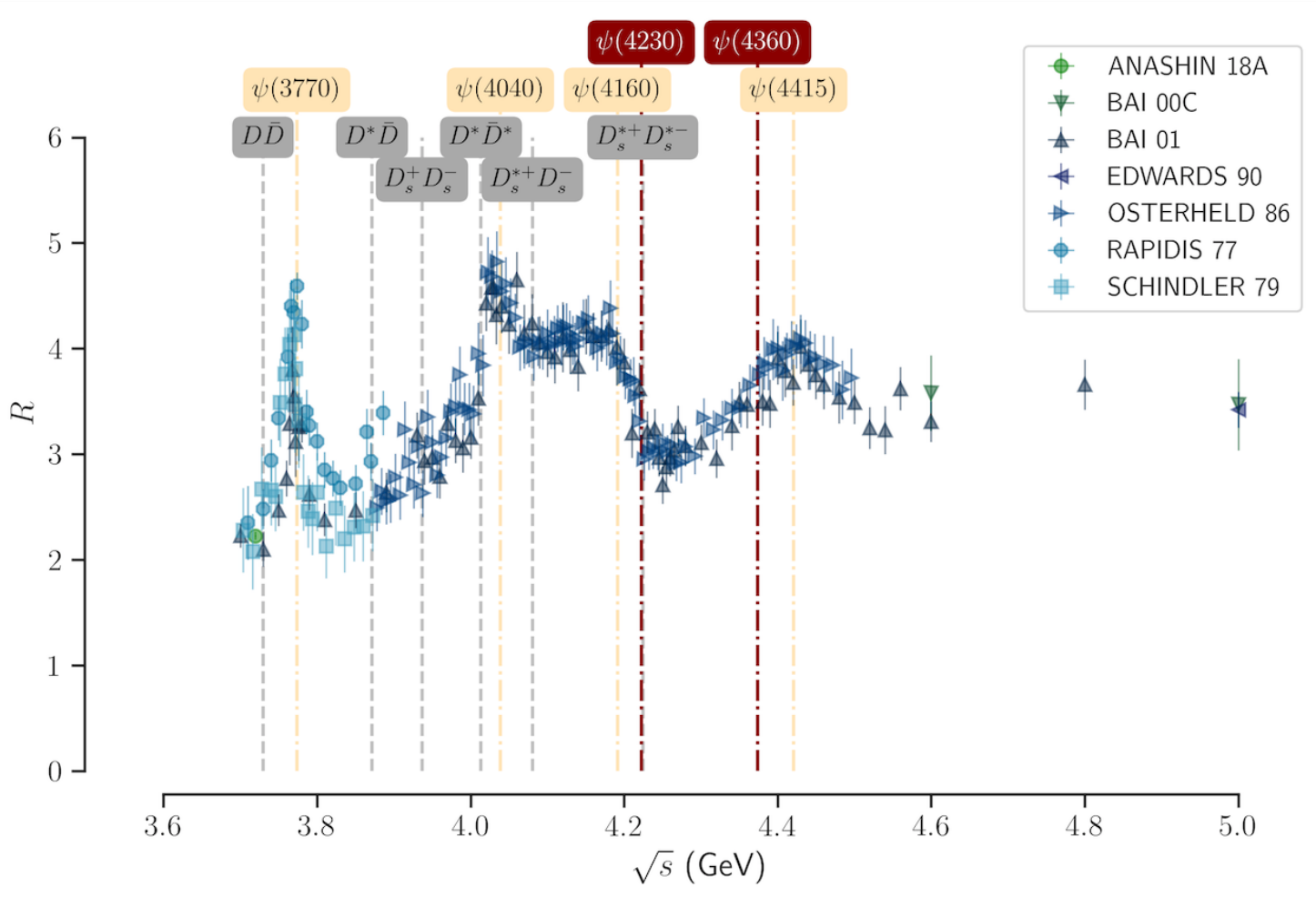
- predicted states between 3.7 and 4.6 GeV:  $\psi(1D)$ ,  $\psi(3S)$ ,  $\psi(2D)$  and  $\psi(4S)$
- commonly identified as  $\psi(3770)$ ,  $\psi(4040)$ ,  $\psi(4160)$  and  $\psi(4415)$
- at least three additional peaks observed:  $\psi(4230)$ ,  $\psi(4360)$  and  $\psi(4660)$



so, what is going on?

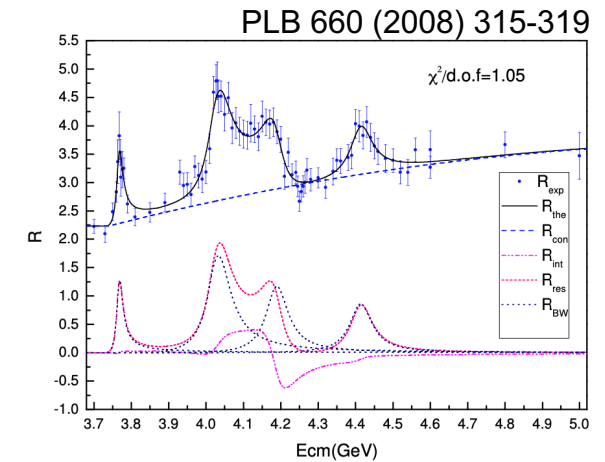


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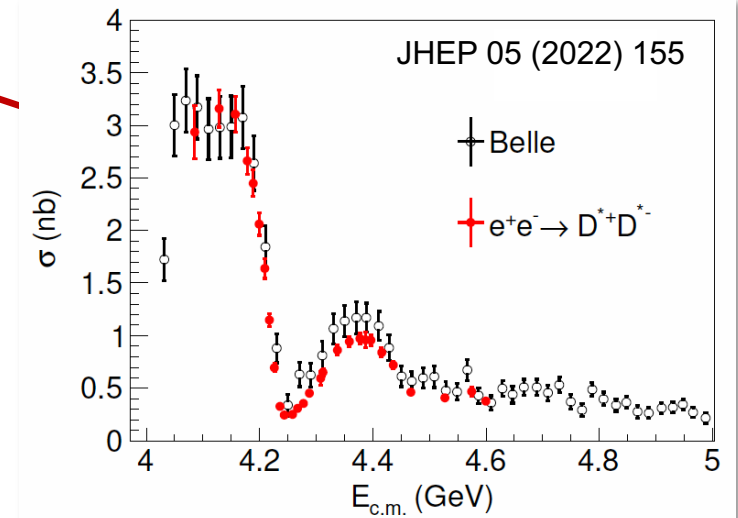
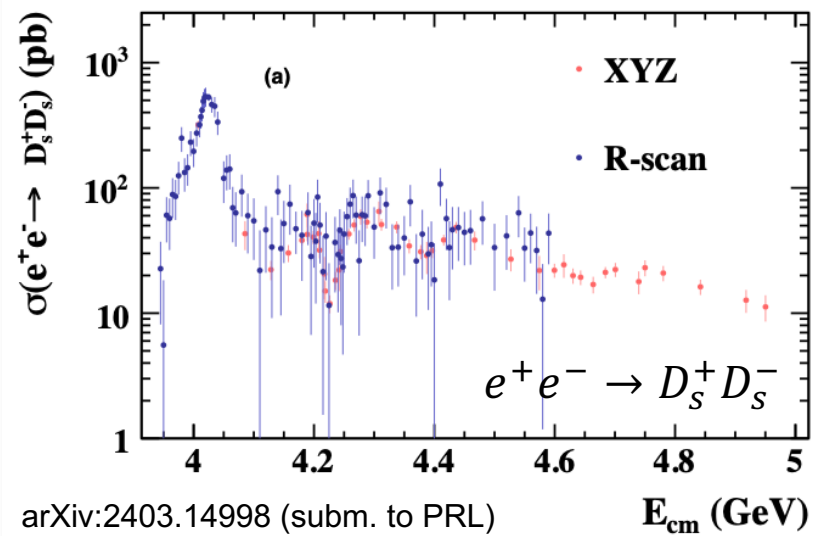
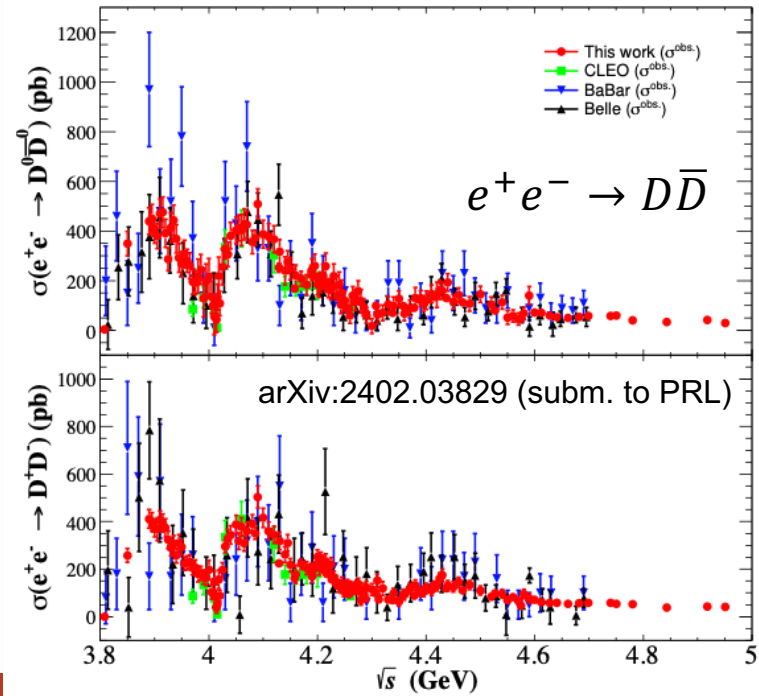
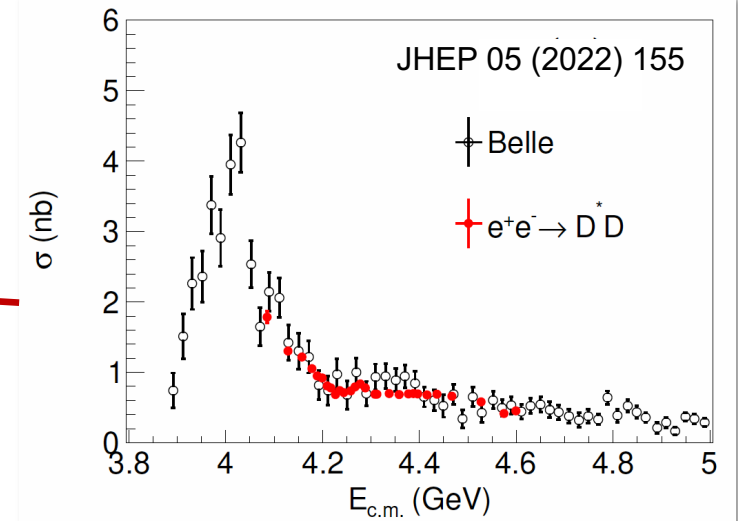
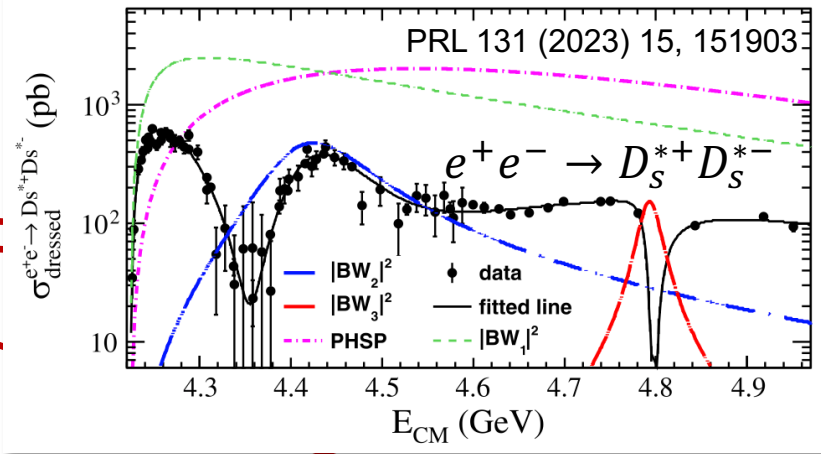
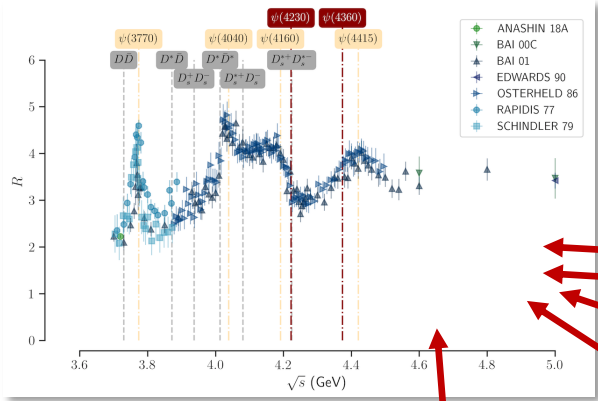
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- information almost exclusively from  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$

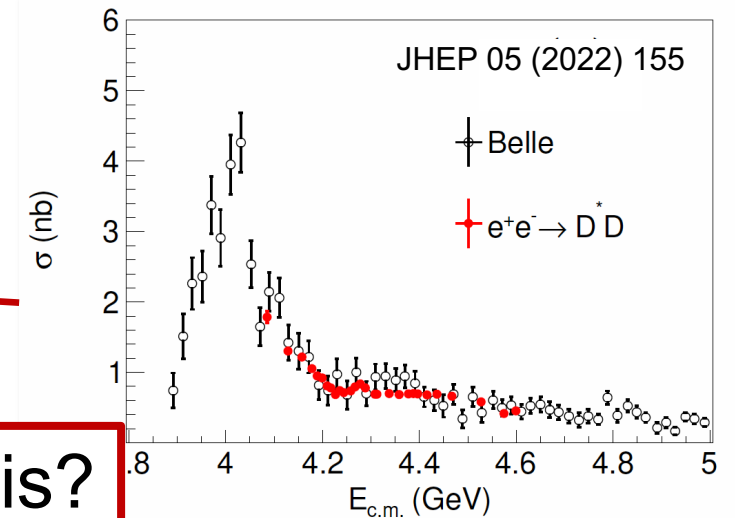
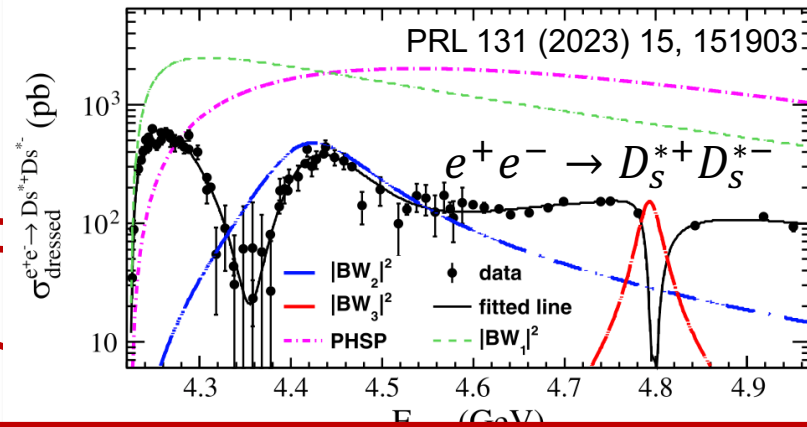
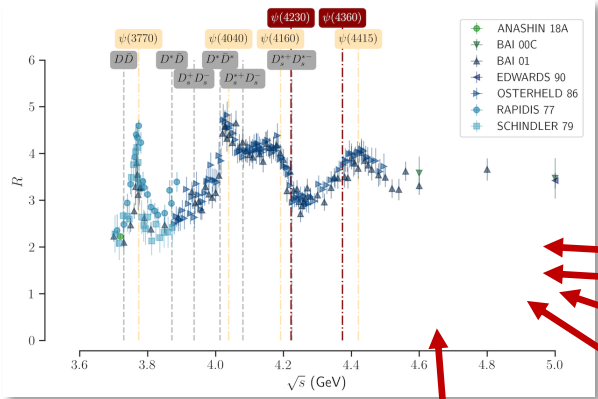


- but: this is a sum of highly non-trivial exclusive processes
- should we really interpret the inclusive cross section like this?

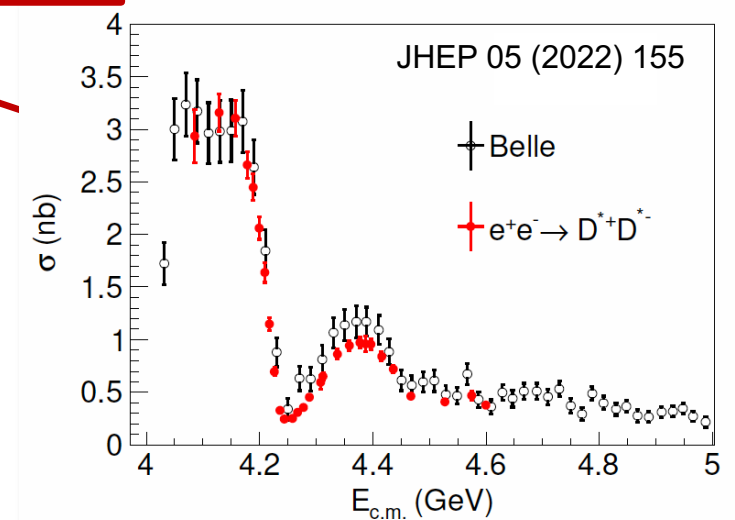
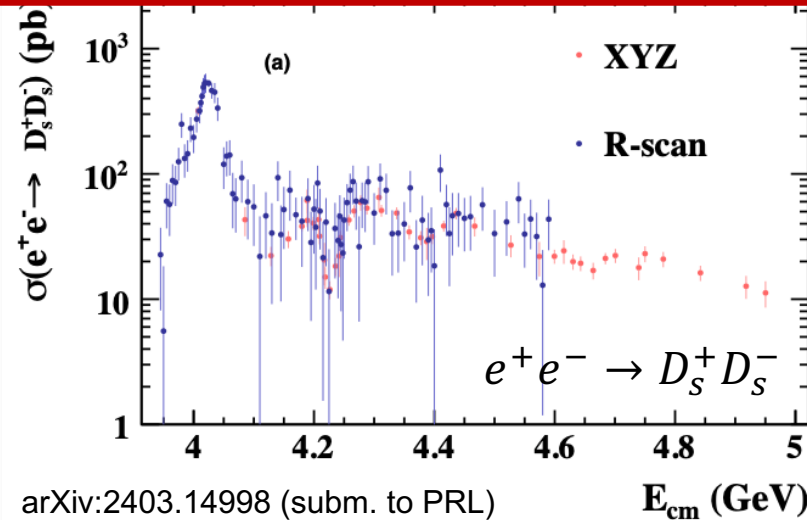
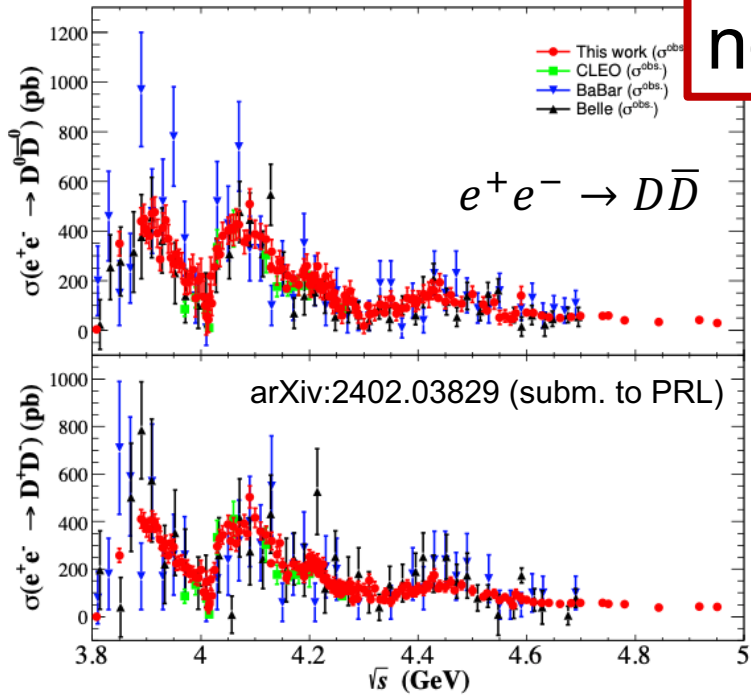
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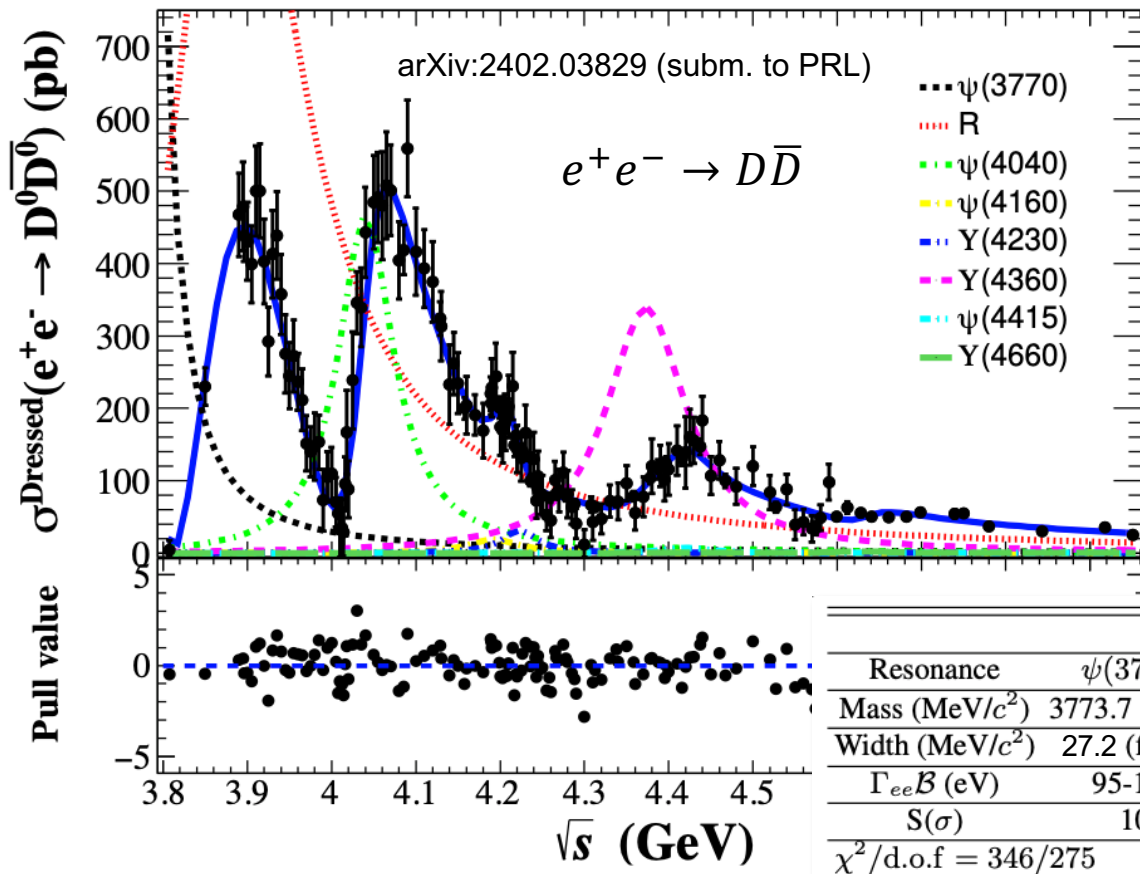


now, how do we interpret all this?



# Vector states

(a) using Breit-Wigner amplitudes fitted to single channels



hard to interpret:

- large interference terms
- multi-solution problem: 128 ambiguous solutions

but what is this?

- a new  $D^*\bar{D}$  P-wave resonance?  
Z.-Y. Lin et al., arXiv:2403.01727
- something else?

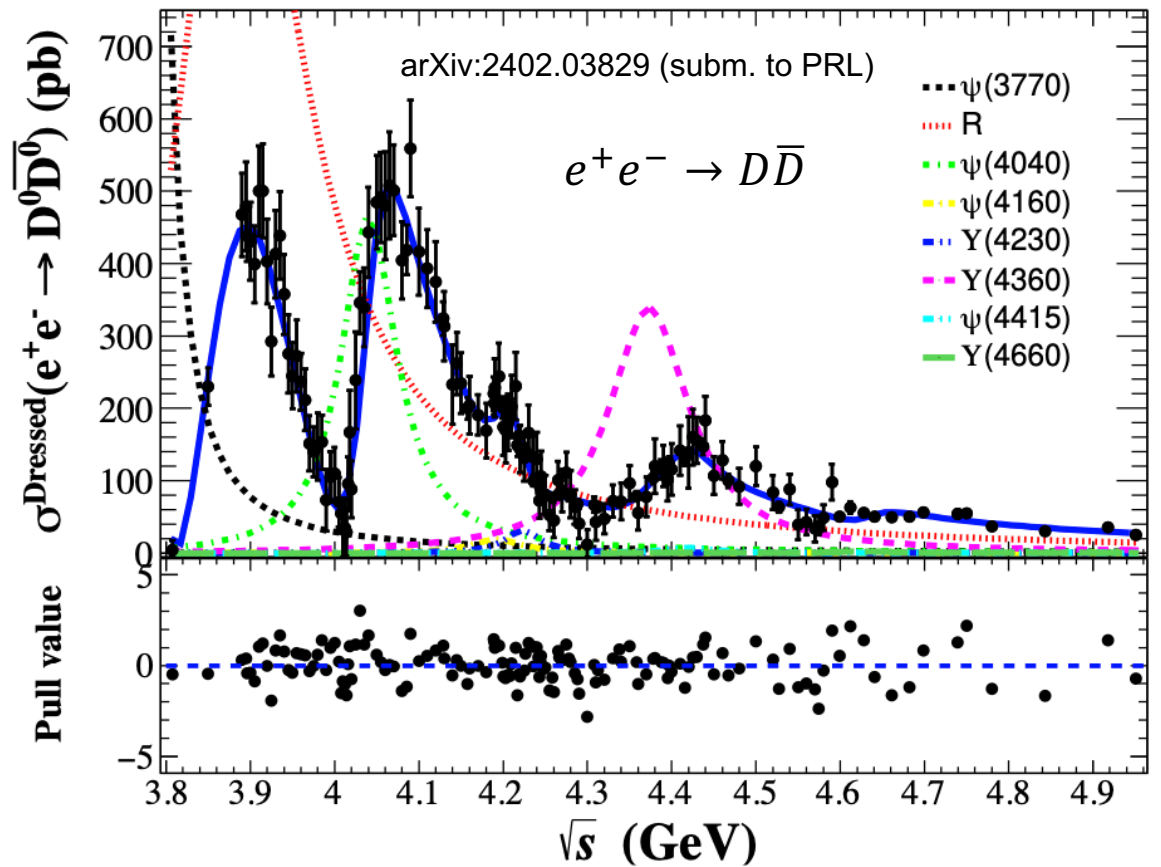
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow D\bar{D}$								
Resonance	$\psi(3770)$	$R$	$\psi(4040)$	$\psi(4160)$	$Y(4230)$	$Y(4360)$	$\psi(4415)$	$Y(4660)$	
Mass (MeV/c <sup>2</sup> )	3773.7 (fixed)	3872.5±14.2±3.0	4039 (fixed)	4191 (fixed)	4222.5 (fixed)	4374 (fixed)	4421 (fixed)	4630 (fixed)	
Width (MeV/c <sup>2</sup> )	27.2 (fixed)	179.7±14.1±7.0	80 (fixed)	70 (fixed)	48 (fixed)	118 (fixed)	62 (fixed)	72 (fixed)	
$\Gamma_{ee}\mathcal{B}$ (eV)	95-106	202-292	41-44	1-2	1-2	50-144	0-2	0-1	
S( $\sigma$ )	10	> 20	13	7	11	11	4	8	
$\chi^2/\text{d.o.f}$ = 346/275								p-value = 0.002	

(should only do this for narrow, isolated resonances)

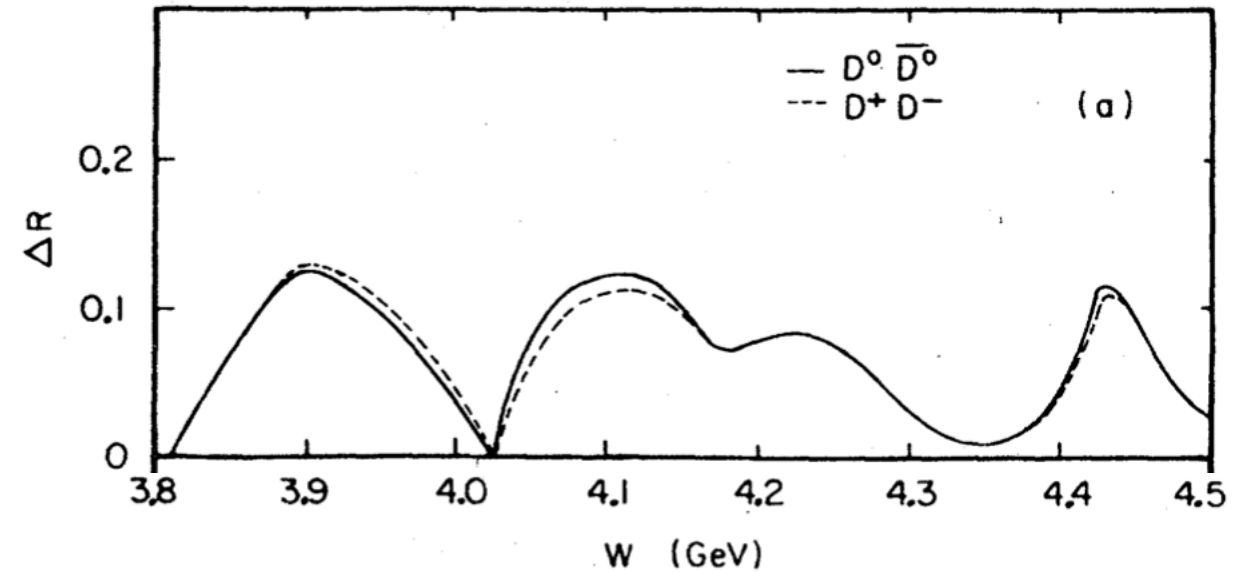
that would be important to know...

# Vector states

(b) using coupled channel models



Eichten et al., Phys. Rev. D 21 (1980) 203

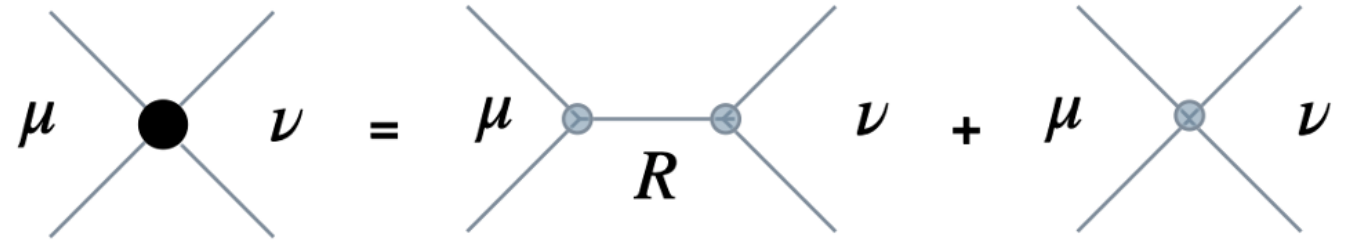


In our calculation there is some weak structure in the 3.9–4.0 GeV region. It does **not arise from a  $c\bar{c}$  resonance**, but from the **opening of the  $D\bar{D}^* + D^*\bar{D}$  channel** and a decrease in the  $D\bar{D}$  channel due to a nearby zero in the 3S decay amplitude.

# Vector states

- if peak near 3.9 GeV is indeed (primarily) from  $D^*\bar{D} \leftrightarrow D\bar{D}$  rescattering, a simple  $K$ -matrix model should confirm that!

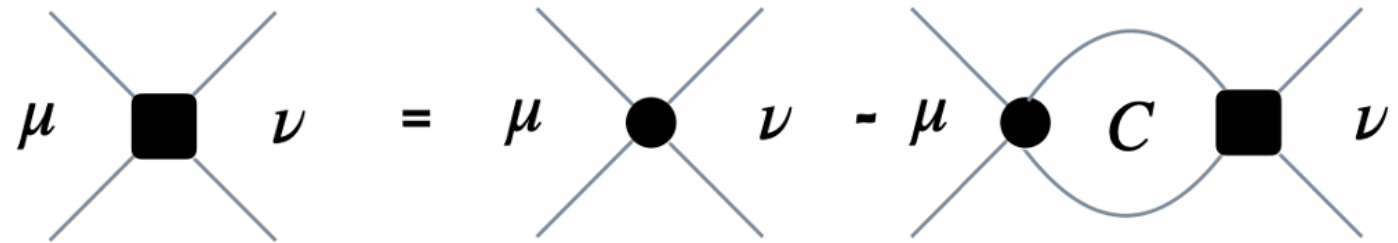
$$K_{\mu\nu} = \sum_R \frac{g_{\mu,R}(s) \cdot g_{\nu,R}(s)}{m_R - s} + b_{\mu\nu}(s)$$



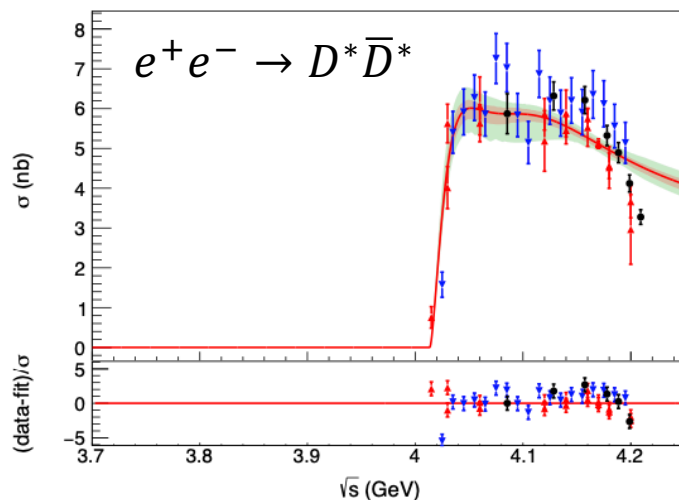
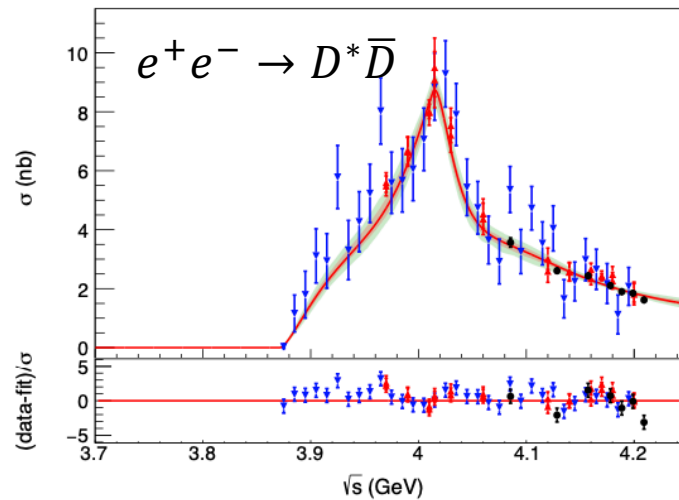
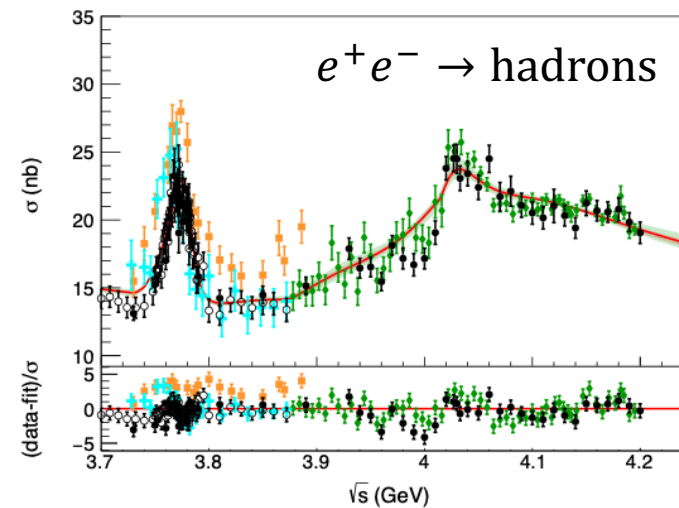
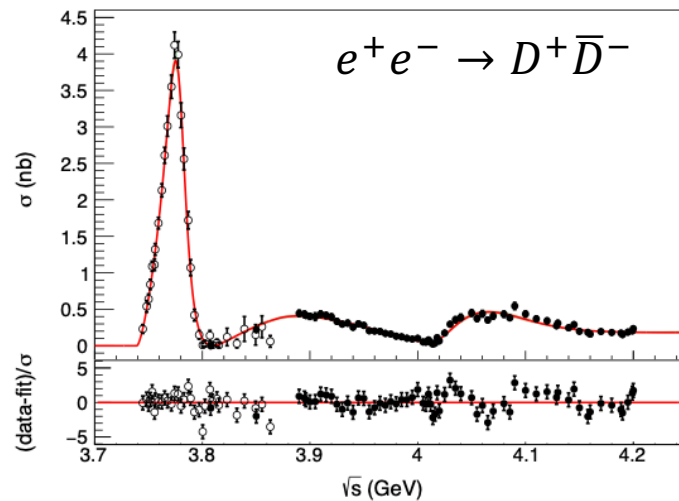
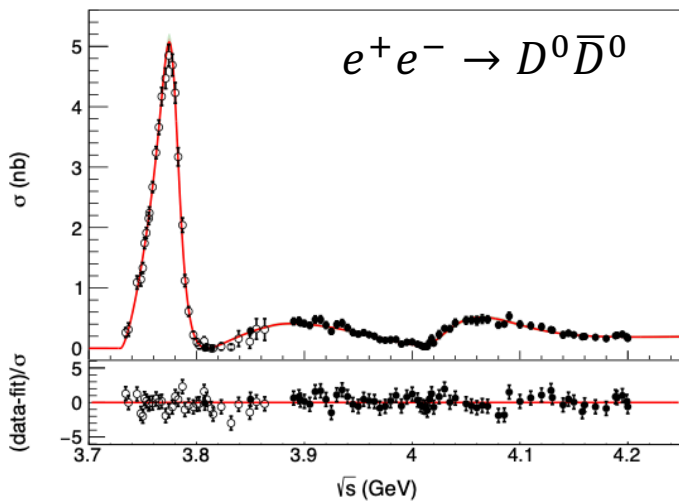
Aitchison's P-vector approach:

$$M_{\mu,e^+e^-} = \sum_{\nu} (1 + \hat{K}\hat{C})_{\mu\nu}^{-1} P_{\nu}$$

$$P_{\nu} = K_{\nu,e^+e^-}$$



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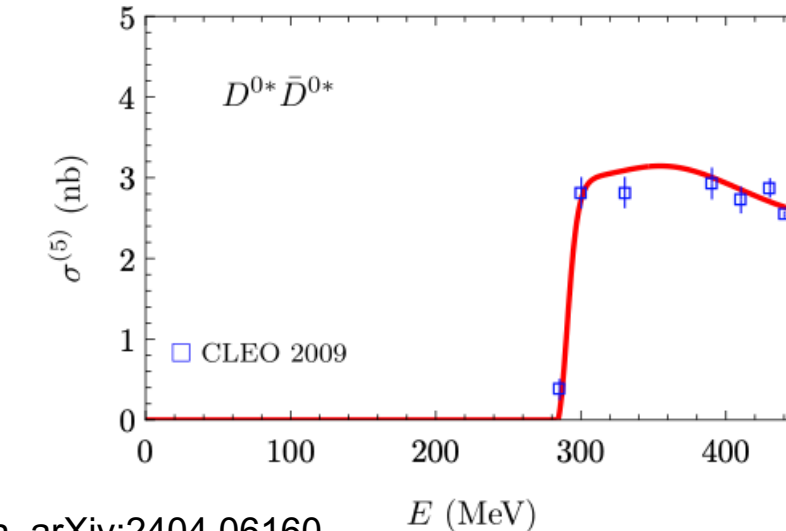
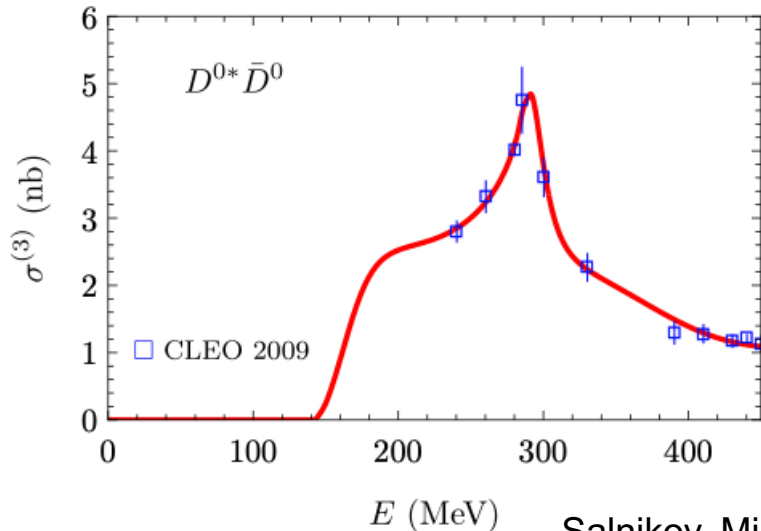
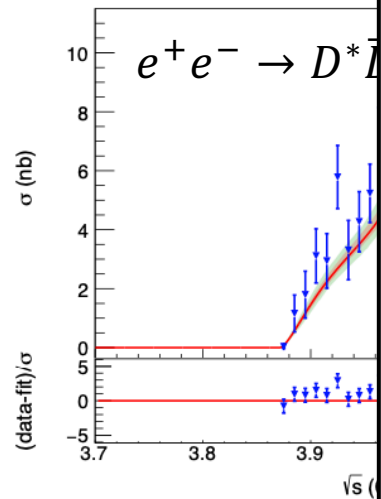
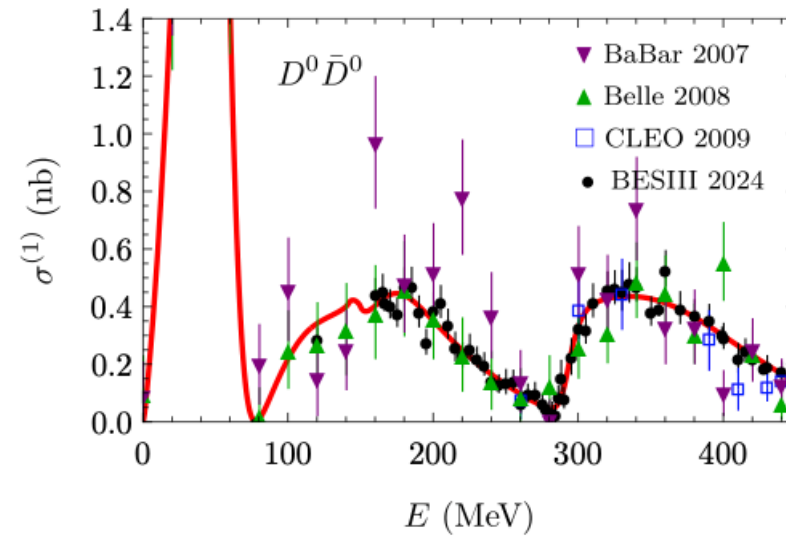
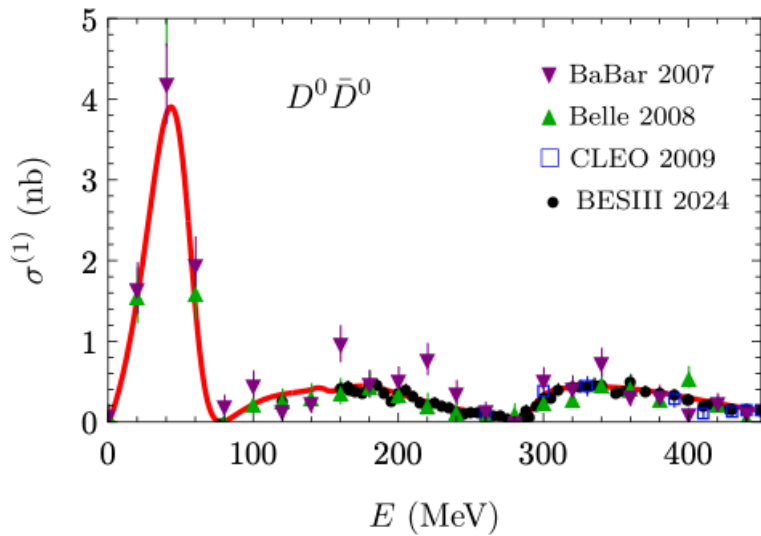
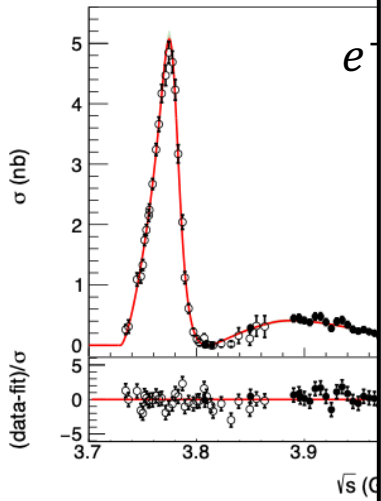


- good fit to  $e^+e^- \rightarrow D^{(*)}\bar{D}^{(*)}$  data up to 4.2 GeV using two bare poles  $\psi(3770)$ ,  $\psi(4040)$
- indeed describe peak near 3.9 GeV without the need for additional pole
- however, no predictive power  $> 4.2$  GeV

NH, R. Lebed, R. Mitchell, E. Swanson, Y.Q. Wang, C.Z. Yuan, arXiv:2404.03896

# Vector states

different coupled channel model, same result: no pole near 3.9 GeV



up to 4.2 GeV  
(4040)  
eV without the  
4.2 GeV

NH, R. Lebed, R. Mitchell



# Vector states

Next: extend to higher energies – but challenges await!

- quark model: expect at least two additional bare states

- more open channels:

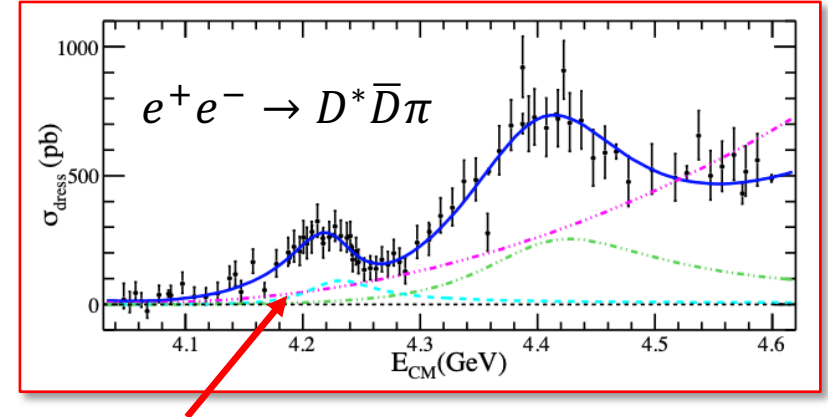
- $D\bar{D}$
- $D^*\bar{D}, D\bar{D}\pi$
- $D_s^+D_s^-$
- $D^*\bar{D}^*, D^*\bar{D}\pi$
- $D_s^{*+}D_s^-$
- $D^*\bar{D}^*\pi$
- $D_s^{*+}D_s^{*-}$
- $D_1\bar{D}$
- ...

how to incorporate 3-body channels?  
 → fairly large cross sections  
 → sub-processes contribute to different channels

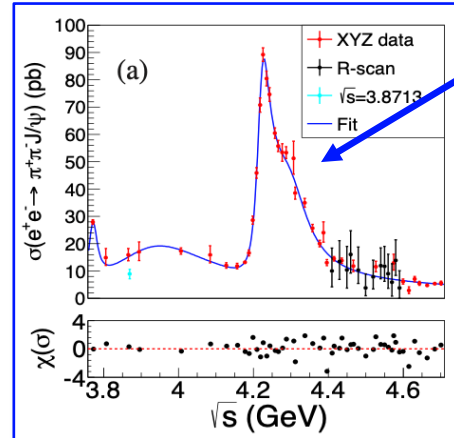
- more interesting physics:

- how many states?
- electronic couplings, hadronic couplings

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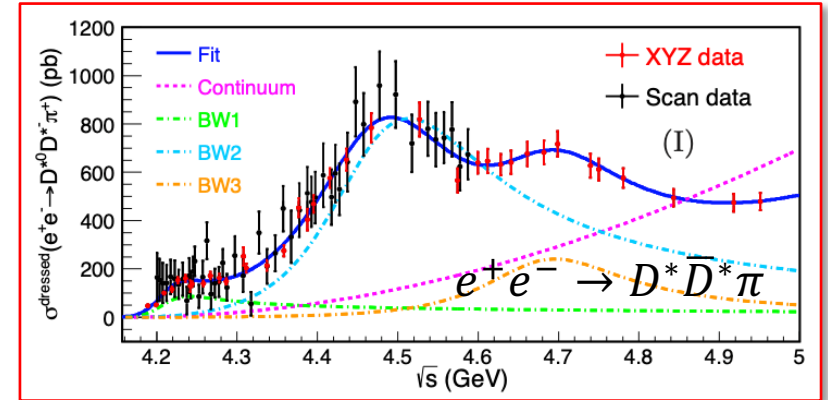


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$e^+e^- \rightarrow Z_c\pi$

PRL 130 (2023) 12, 121901



→ ongoing, direct collaboration:  
 BESIII, E. Swanson, S. Dawid

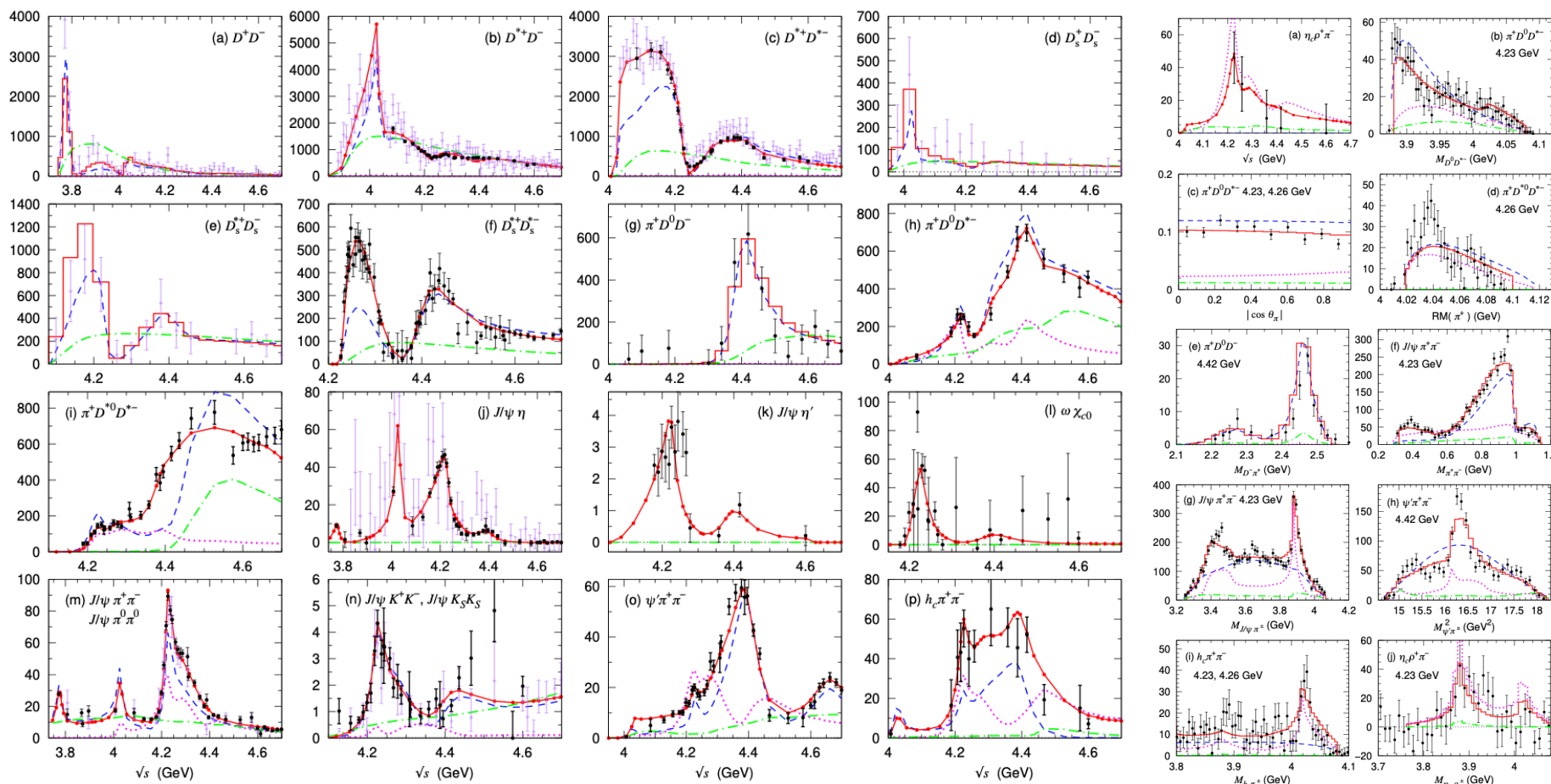
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a first attempt  
was made!

Global coupled-channel analysis of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow c\bar{c}$  processes in  $\sqrt{s} = 3.75 - 4.7$  GeV

S.X. Nakamura,<sup>1,2,3,\*</sup> X.-H. Li,<sup>2,3</sup> H.-P. Peng,<sup>2,3</sup> Z.-T. Sun,<sup>1</sup> and X.-R. Zhou<sup>2,3</sup>

arXiv:2312.17658

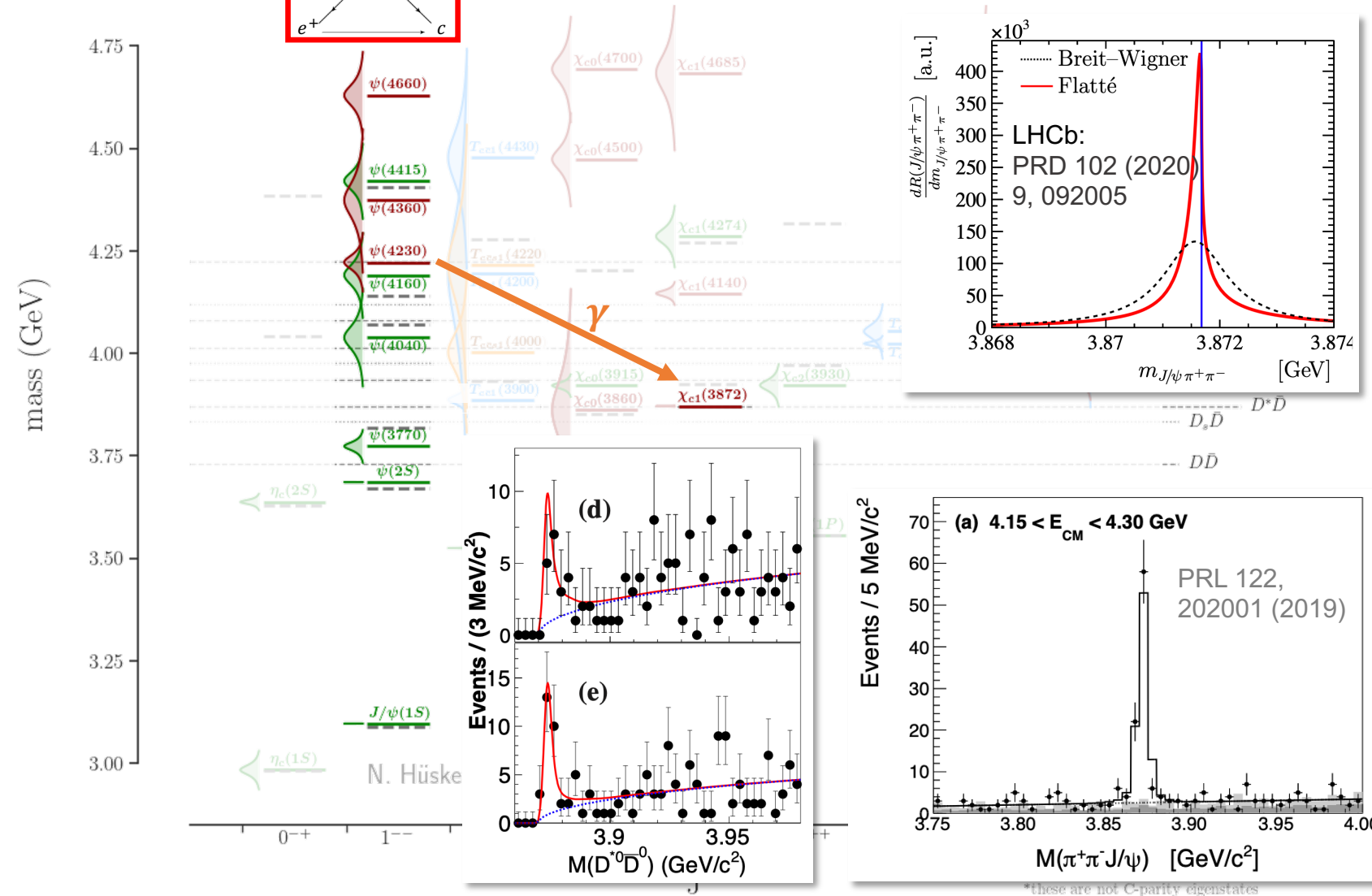
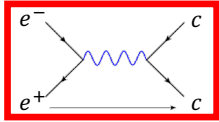


This work		PDG [4]		
$M$ (MeV)	$\Gamma$ (MeV)	$M$ (MeV)	$\Gamma$ (MeV)	
$3775 \pm 2.0$	$28 \pm 1.0$	$3778.1 \pm 0.7$	$27.5 \pm 0.9$	$\psi(3770)$
$4026 \pm 0.1$	$25 \pm 0.3$	$4039 \pm 1$	$80 \pm 10$	$\psi(4040)$
$4232 \pm 1.0$	$114 \pm 1.7$	$4191 \pm 5$	$70 \pm 10$	$\psi(4160)$
$4226 \pm 0.4$	$36 \pm 0.8$	$4222.5 \pm 2.4$	$48 \pm 8$	$\psi(4230)$
$4309 \pm 0.6$	$328 \pm 0.9$	—	—	—
$4369 \pm 0.1$	$183 \pm 0.2$	$4374 \pm 7$	$118 \pm 12$	$\psi(4360)$
$4394 \pm 0.7$	$93 \pm 0.9$	$4421 \pm 4$	$62 \pm 20$	$\psi(4415)$
$4690 \pm 7.3$	$106 \pm 8.8$	$4630 \pm 6$	$72_{-12}^{+14}$	$\psi(4660)$

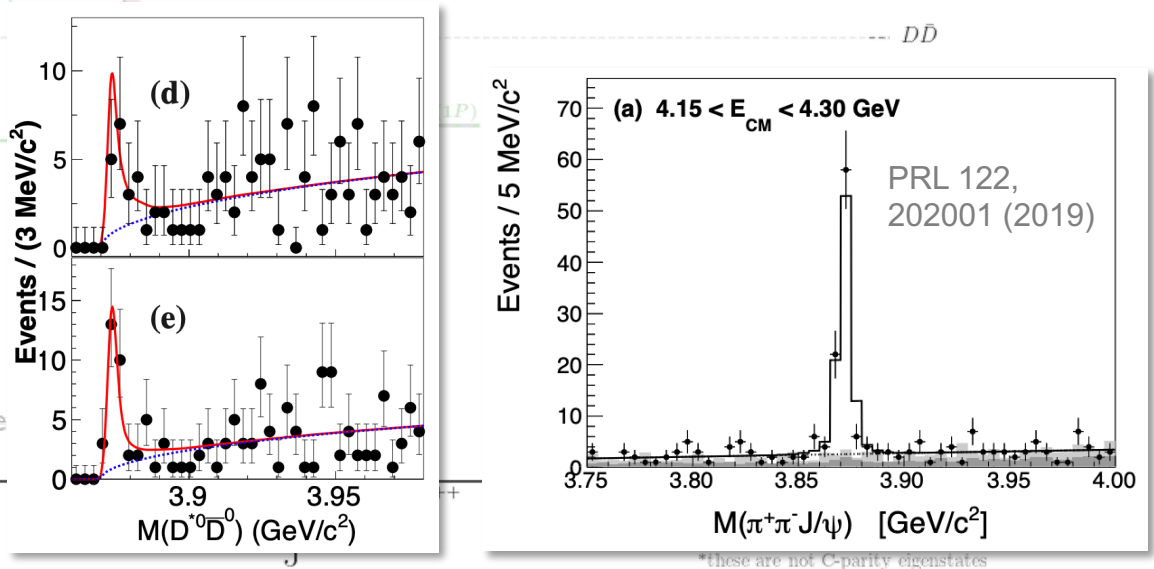
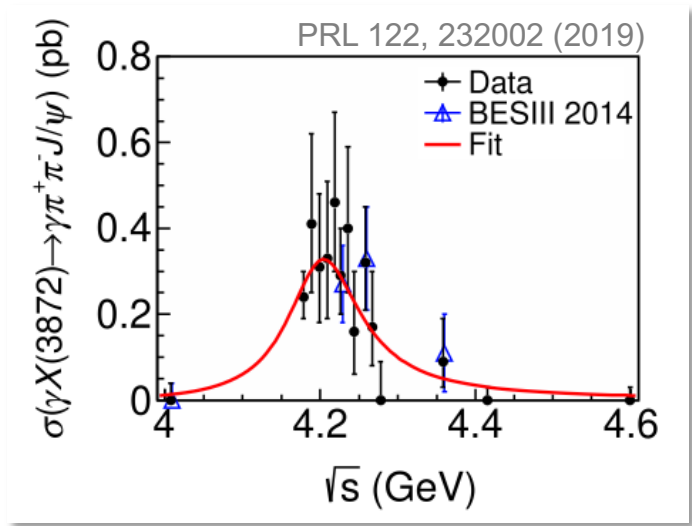
- they find 7 poles (5 bare poles), but no  $\psi(4160)$
- peak at 3.9 GeV is non-resonant!

$\chi_{c1}(3872)$

# $\chi_{c1}(3872)$



- discovered in 2003
  - first width measurement by LHCb
  - BESIII:  $\psi(4230) \rightarrow \gamma \chi_{c1}(3872)$  production well established
- contribute to precision studies



\*these are not C-parity eigenstates

# $\chi_{c1}(3872)$

Lineshape studies: based on Hanhart, Kalashnikova, Nefediev, PRD 81, 094028 (2010)

$$\frac{d\text{Br}(D^0\bar{D}^0\pi^0)}{dE} = \mathcal{B} \frac{\text{Br}(D^{*0} \rightarrow D^0\pi^0) \times g \times k_{\text{eff}}(E)}{|D(E)|^2}$$

$$\frac{d\text{Br}(\pi^+\pi^-J/\psi)}{dE} = \mathcal{B} \frac{\Gamma_{\pi^+\pi^-J/\psi}}{|D(E)|^2},$$

where

$$D(E) = E - E_X + \frac{1}{2}g [(\kappa_{\text{eff}}(E) + ik_{\text{eff}}(E)) + (\kappa_{\text{eff}}^c(E) + ik_{\text{eff}}^c(E))] + \frac{i}{2}\Gamma_0.$$

coupling to  $D^*\bar{D}$   
relative to  $D^0\bar{D}^0\pi^0$   
(c: charged)  
 $\Gamma_{\pi^+\pi^-J/\psi} + \Gamma_{\text{known}} + \Gamma_{\text{unknown}}$

- 3 fit parameters:  $E_X, g, \Gamma_{\pi^+\pi^-J/\psi}$
- $\Gamma_{\text{known}} = \Gamma_{\gamma J/\psi} + \Gamma_{\gamma\psi(2S)} + \Gamma_{\omega J/\psi} + \Gamma_{\pi^0\chi_{c1}}$  and  $\Gamma_{\text{unknown}}$  fixed to global analysis
- resolution (1-2 MeV) taken into account

$$k_{\text{eff}}(E) = \sqrt{\mu_p} \sqrt{\sqrt{(E - E_R)^2 + \Gamma_{D^{*0}}^2/4} + E - E_R},$$

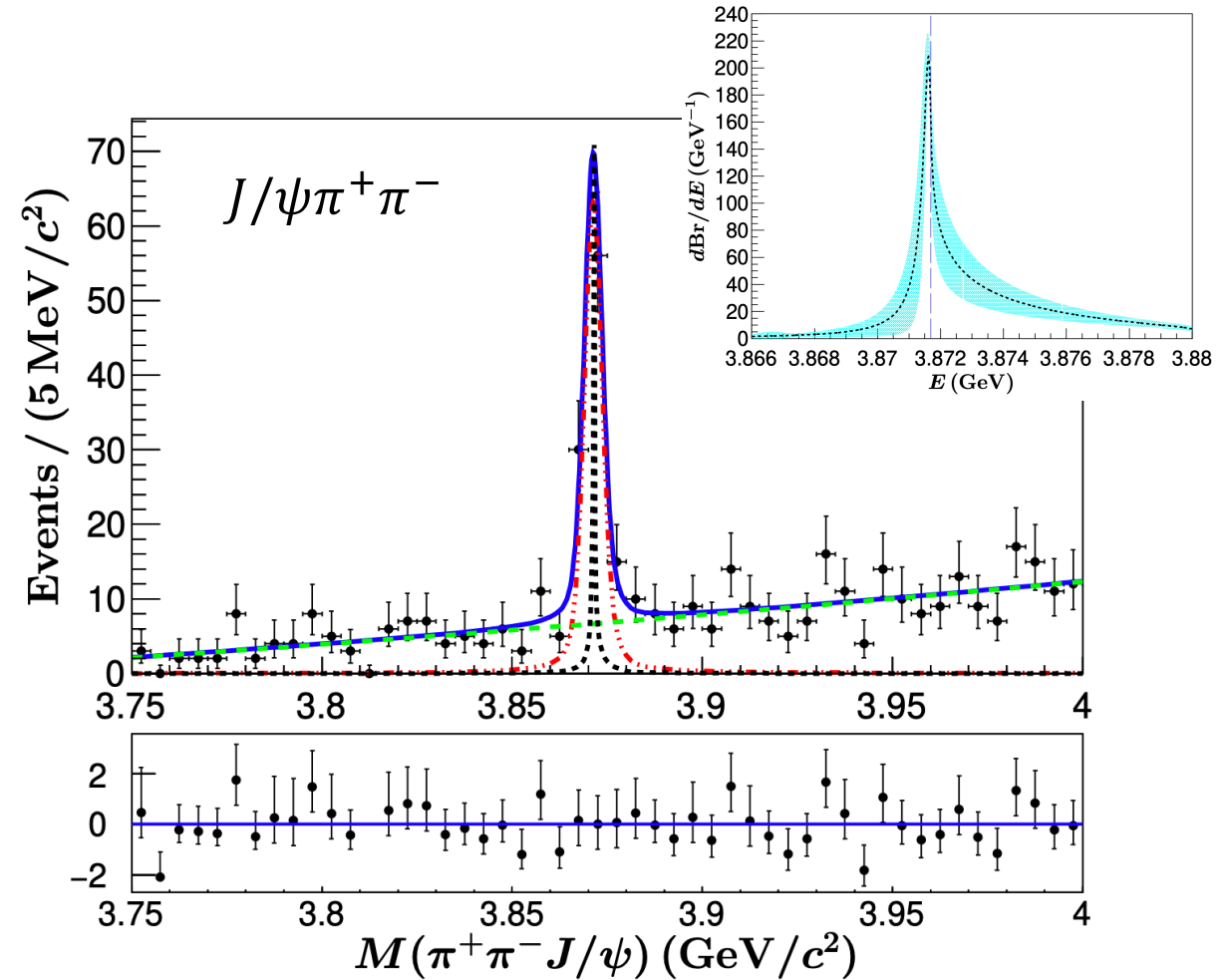
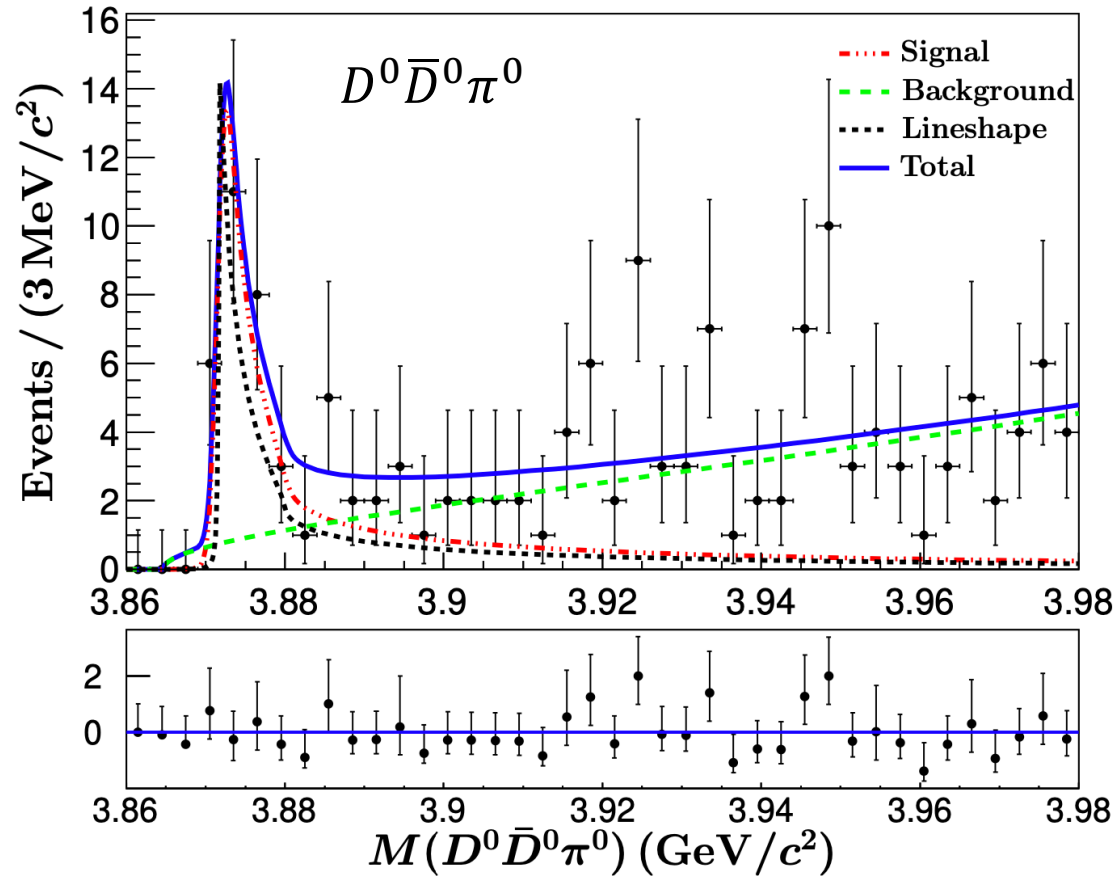
$$\kappa_{\text{eff}}(E) = -\sqrt{\mu_p} \sqrt{\sqrt{(E - E_R)^2 + \Gamma_{D^{*0}}^2/4} - E + E_R}$$

$$+ \sqrt{\mu_p} \sqrt{\sqrt{(E_X - E_R)^2 + \Gamma_{D^{*0}, X}^2/4} - E_X + E_R}.$$

$$\mu_p = \frac{m_{D^*}m_D}{m_{D^*} + m_D}$$

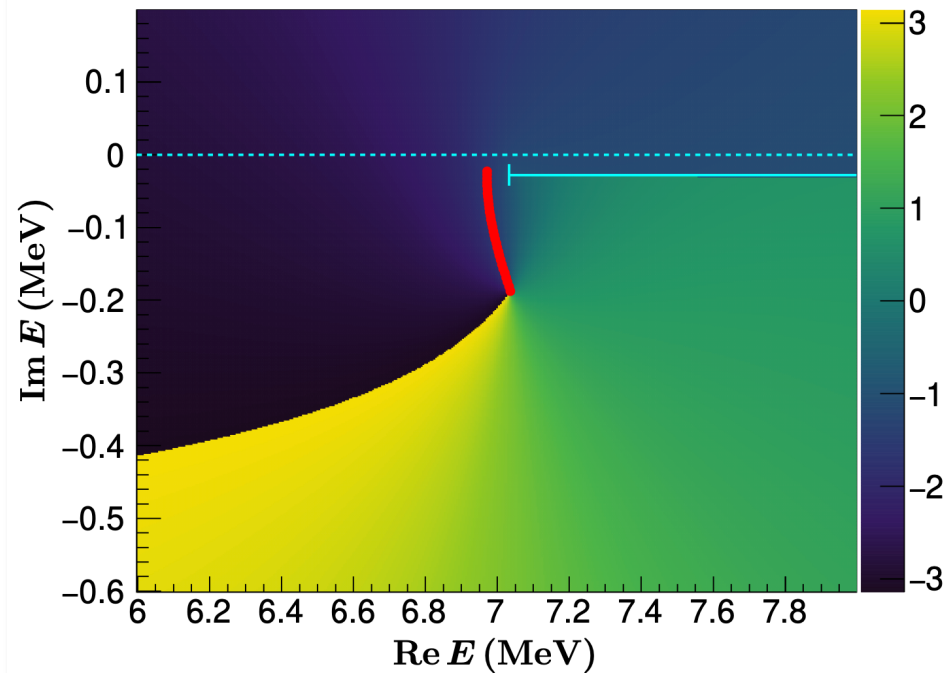
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## Simultaneous fit

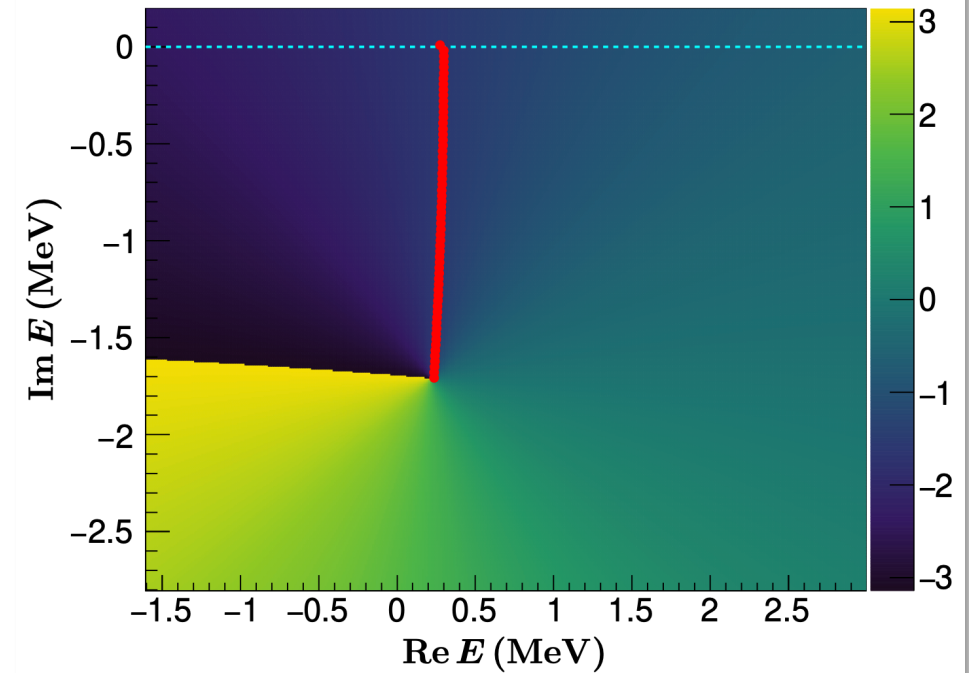


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(a) sheet I:  $E_I = 7.04 - 0.19i$  MeV



(b) sheet II:  $E_{II} = 0.26 - 1.71i$  MeV

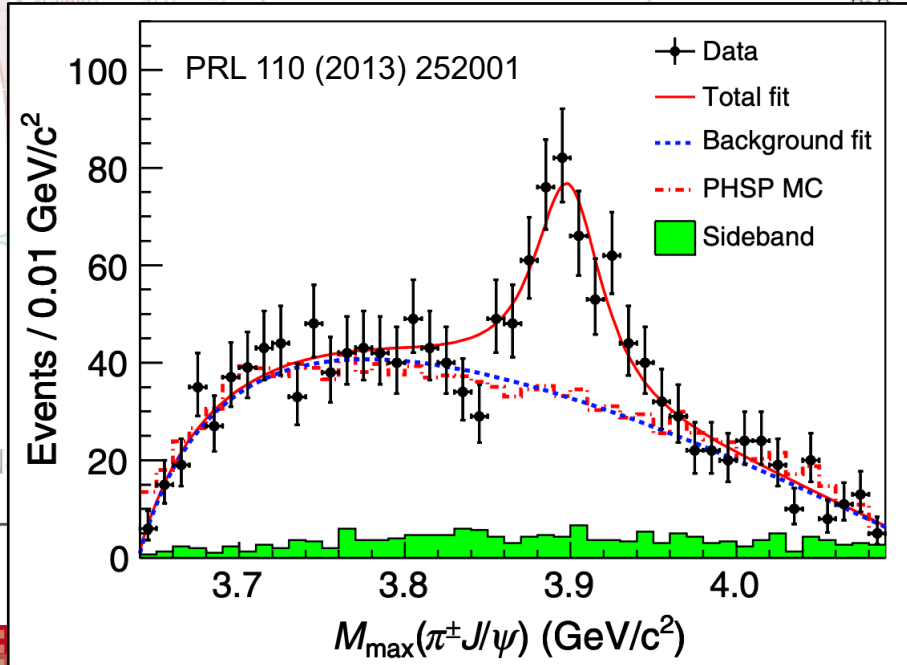
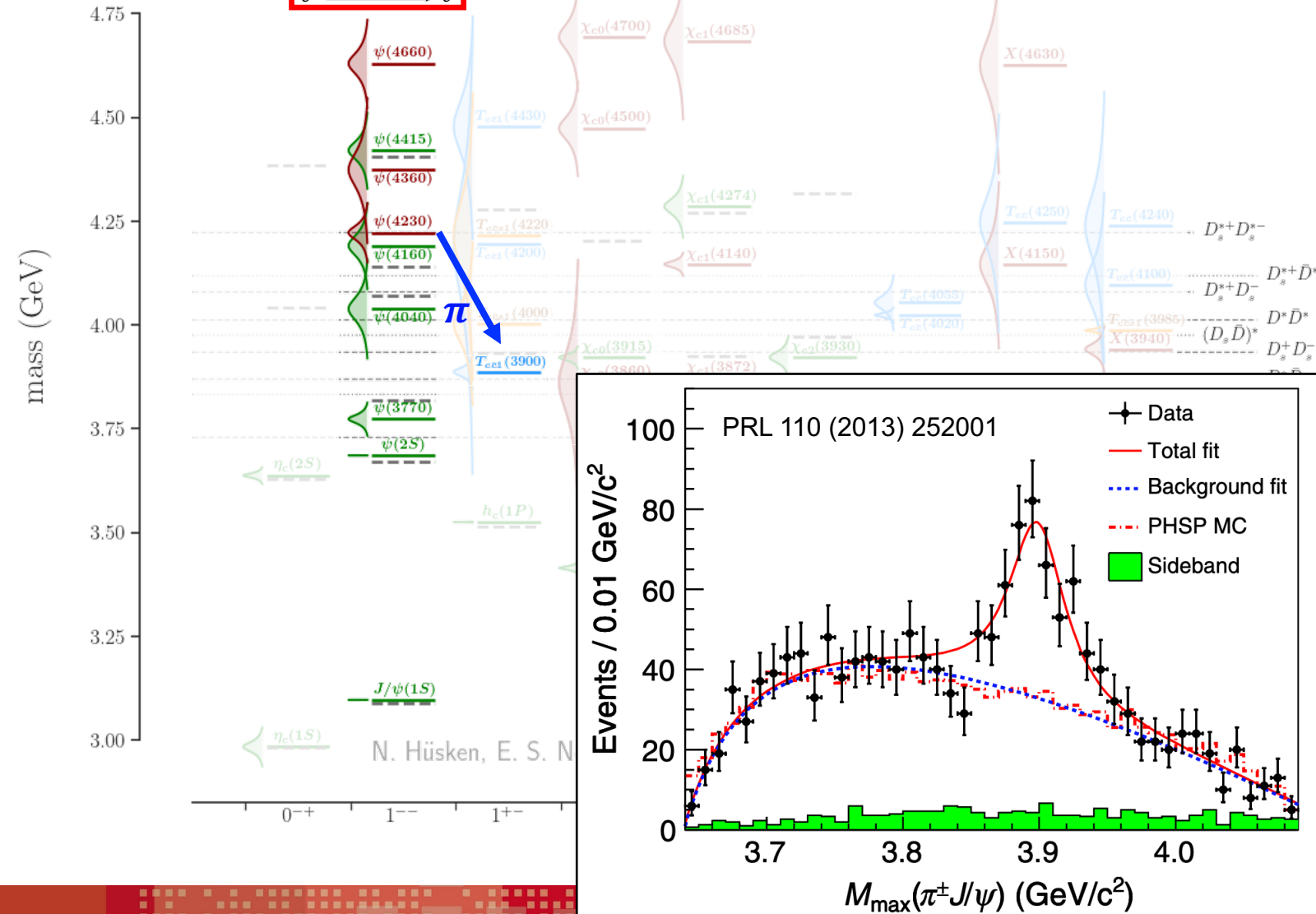
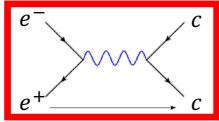
	BESIII	LHCb
$g$	$0.16 \pm 0.10^{+1.12}_{-0.11}$	$0.108 \pm 0.003^{+0.005}_{-0.006}$
pole (sheet I)	$(7.04 \pm 0.15^{+0.07}_{-0.08}) - i(0.19 \pm 0.08^{+0.14}_{-0.19})$	$7.10 - i0.13$
$\Gamma(\pi^+\pi^-J/\psi)/\Gamma(D^0\bar{D}^{*0})$	$0.05 \pm 0.01^{+0.01}_{-0.02}$	$0.11 \pm 0.03$
$Z$	0.18	0.15

→  $D^0\bar{D}^{*0}$  channel more sensitive to lineshape  
 → results consistent with LHCb  
 → room to improve with more data!

$Z_c(3900)$

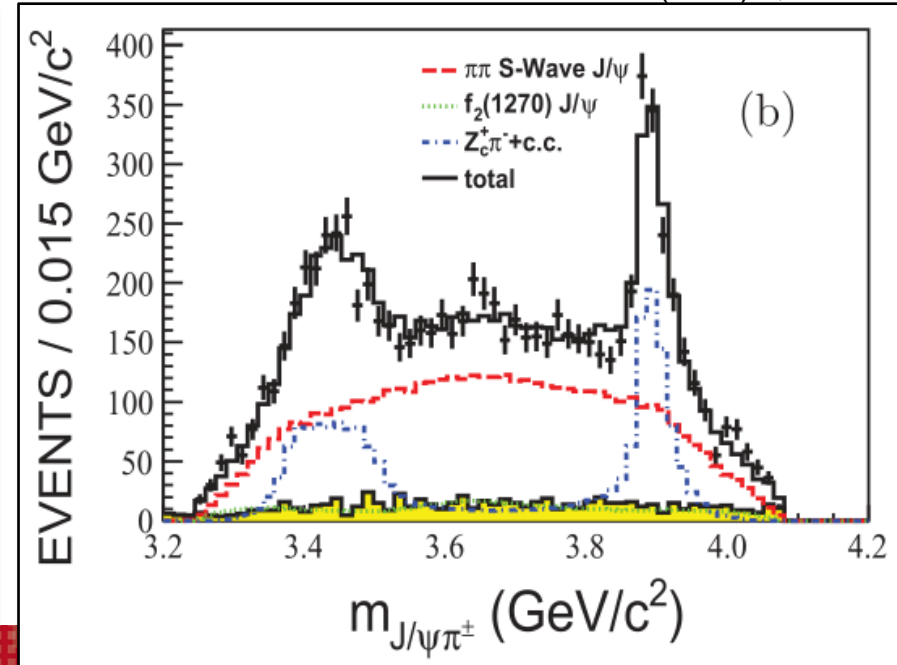


# $Z_c(3900)$



- charged charmonium-like discovered in 2013 in  $J/\psi\pi^\pm$
- spin-parity from PWA based on  $\sim 2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at 4.23 and 4.26 GeV

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# $Z_c(3900)$

- new (preliminary) results based on  $\sim 12 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at 17 energies between 4.13 and 4.36 GeV

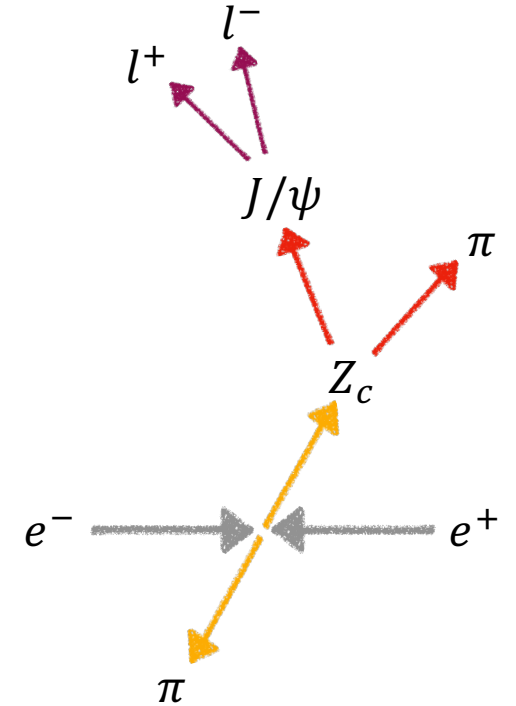
- PWA in helicity formalism

- 2 models:

(I)  $f_0(980)$  as Flatté,  $\sigma(500)$ ,  $f_0(1370)$ ,  $f_2(1270)$  and  $Z_c(3900)$  as Breit-Wigner  
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(II)  $\sigma(500)$ ,  $f_0(980)$ ,  $f_0(1370)$  with K-matrix,  $f_2(1270)$  and  $Z_c(3900)$  as Breit-Wigner  
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- mass and width of  $Z_c(3900)$  determined from simultaneous fit to groups of center-of-mass energies
- fit fractions then determined from fits to single energies, with all masses and widths fixed



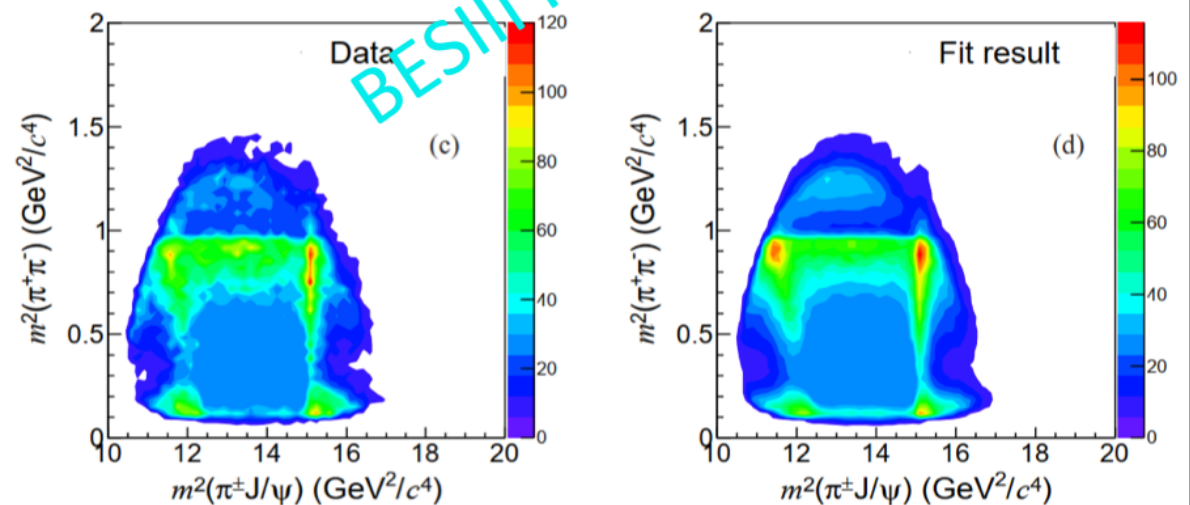
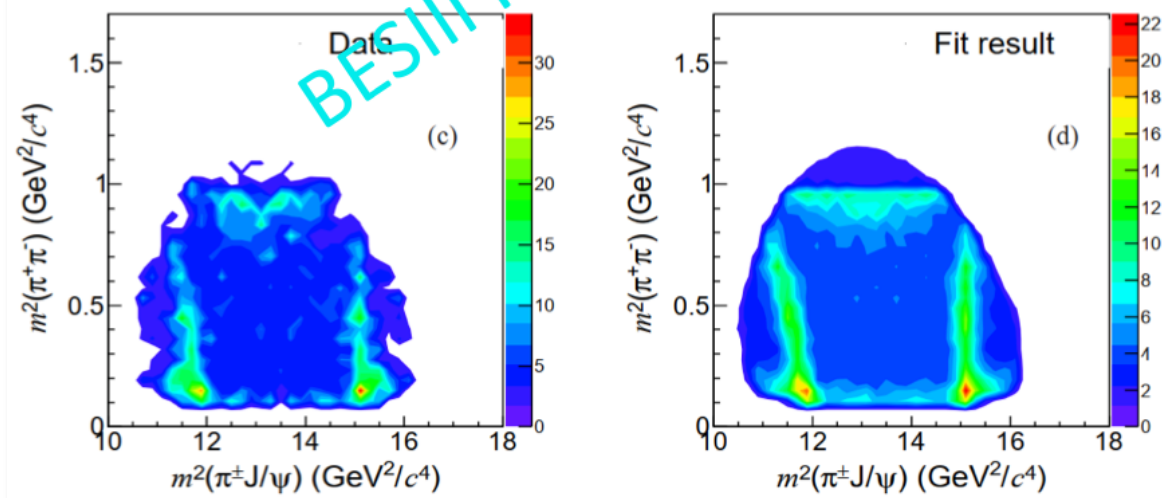
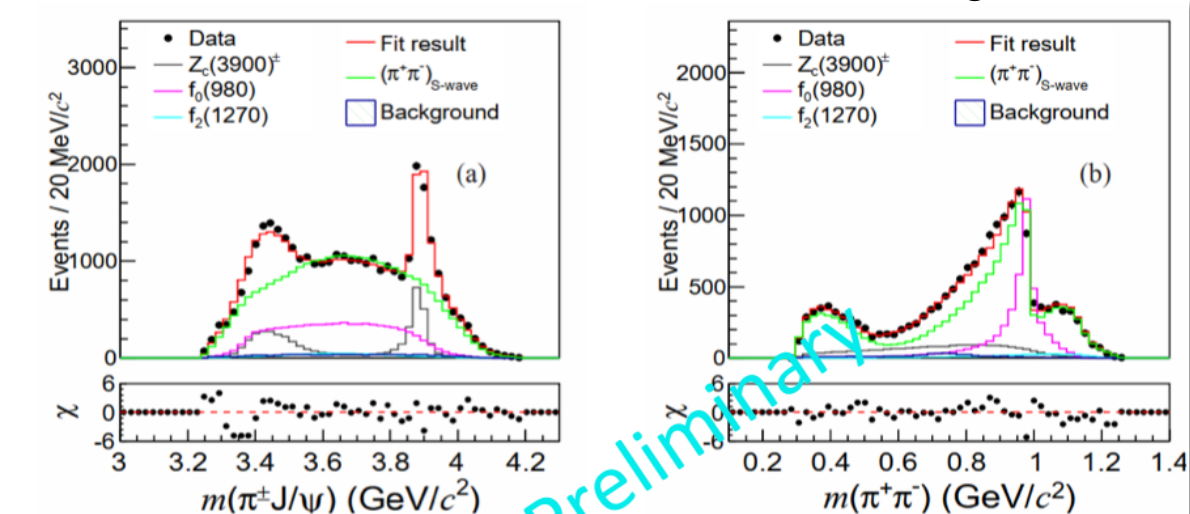
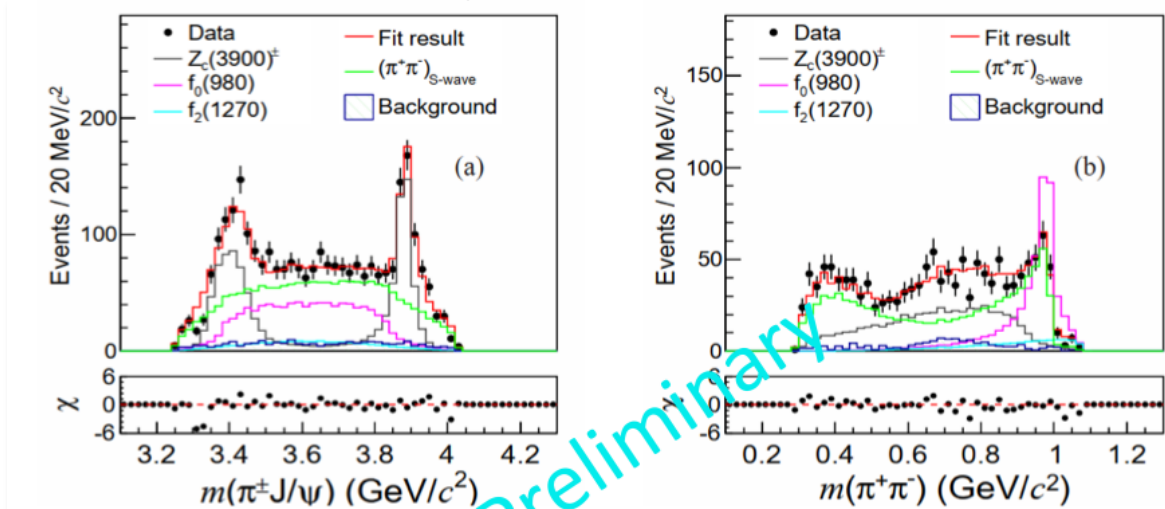
$\sqrt{s}$ (GeV)	$M$ (MeV/ $c^2$ )	$\Gamma$ (MeV)
4.1567 – 4.1989	$3883.5 \pm 1.6$	$38.6 \pm 3.6$
4.2091 – 4.2357	$3884.6 \pm 1.0$	$37.8 \pm 1.6$
4.2438 – 4.2776	$3884.9 \pm 1.8$	$34.2 \pm 3.3$
4.2866 – 4.3583	$3890.0 \pm 2.3$	$36.1 \pm 4.2$
Average	$3884.6 \pm 0.7 \pm 3.3$	$37.2 \pm 1.3 \pm 6.6$

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# $Z_c(3900)$

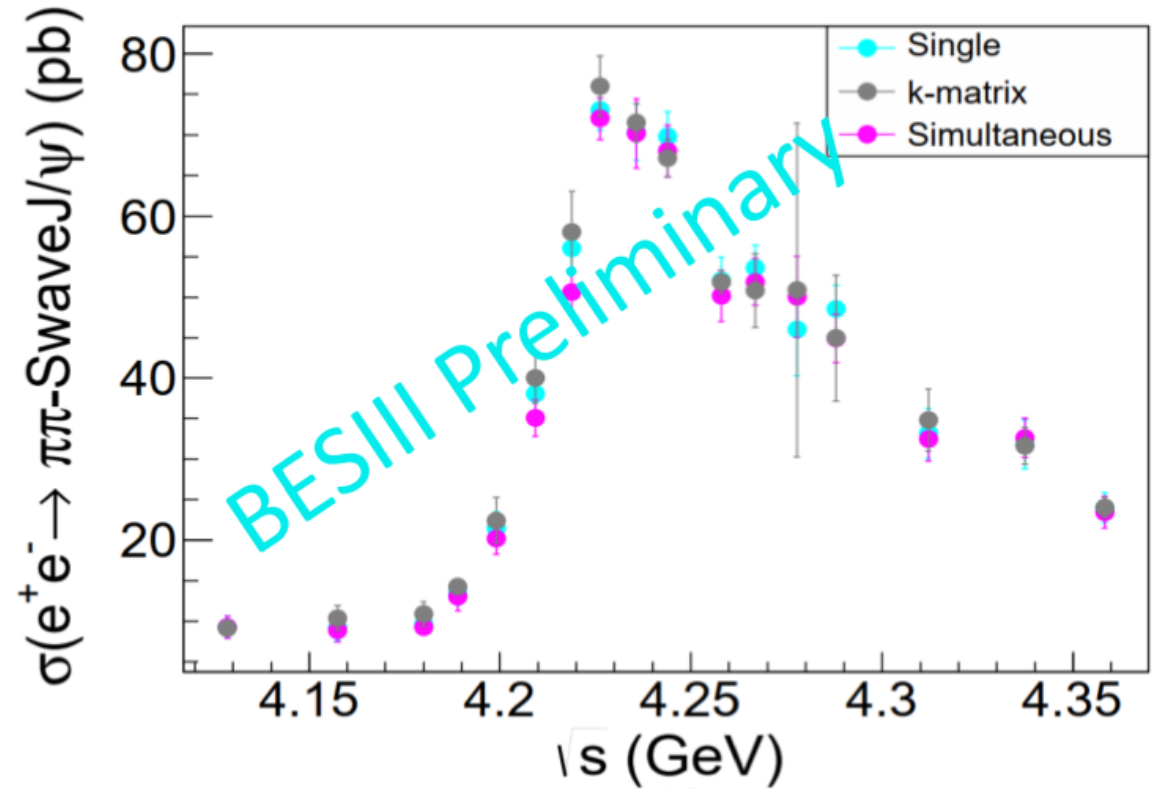
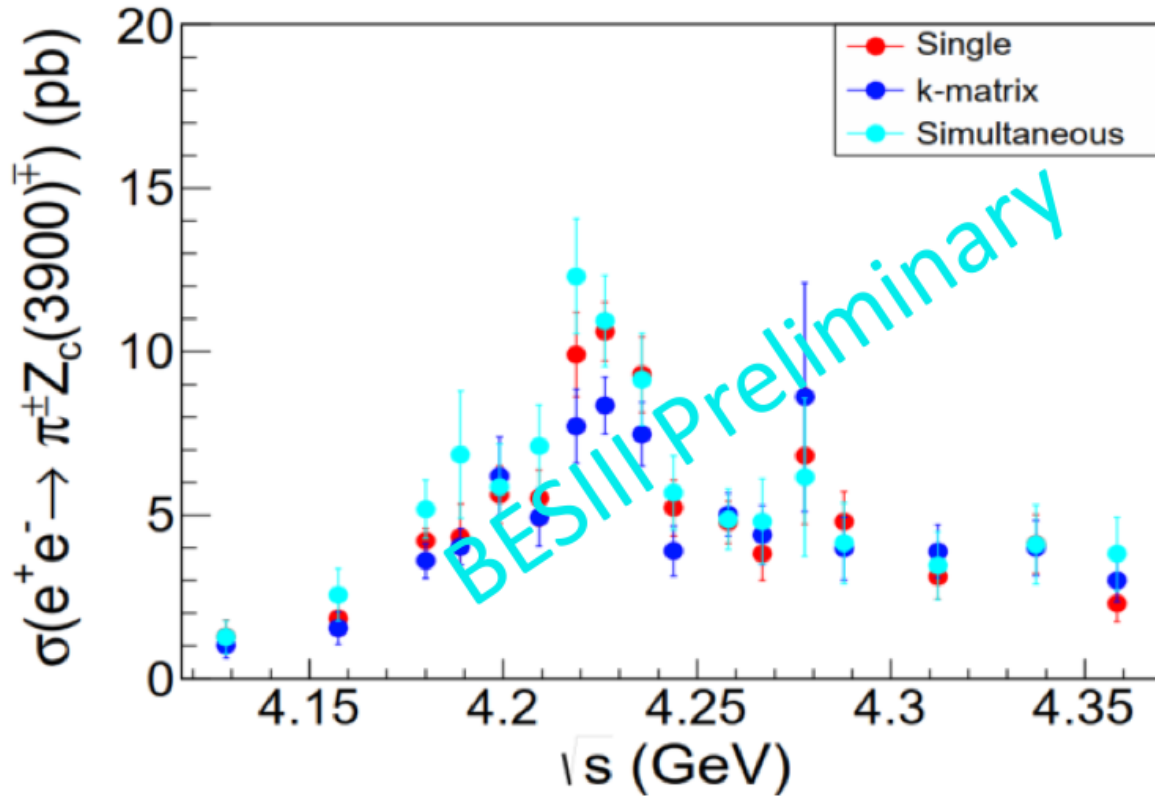
$\sqrt{s} = 4.178 \text{ GeV}$

sum over all center-of-mass energies



# $Z_c(3900)$

- cross sections of sub-processes  $\rightarrow$  clear indication of resonant production of  $Z_c\pi$ ,  $(\pi\pi)_{S\text{-wave}} J/\psi$

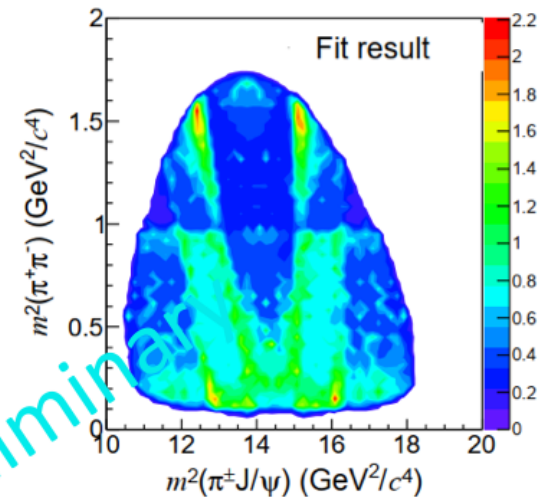
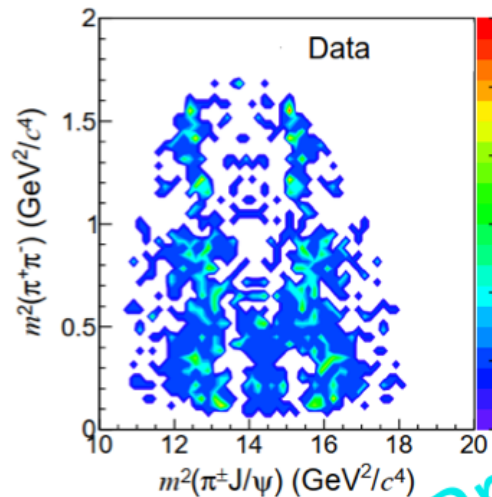
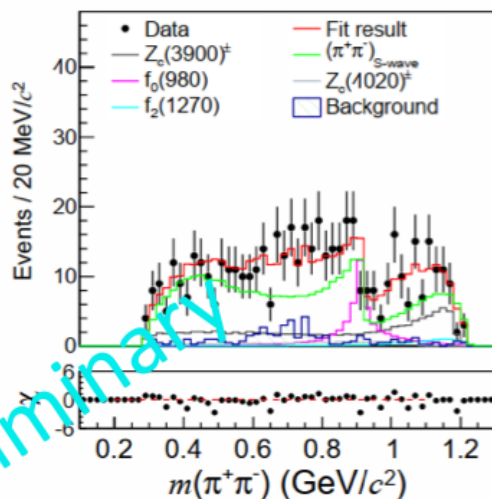
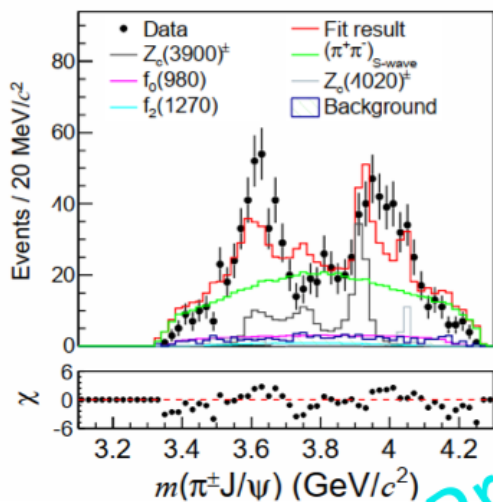


- model-dependence of  $(\pi\pi)_{S\text{-wave}}$  seems well under control

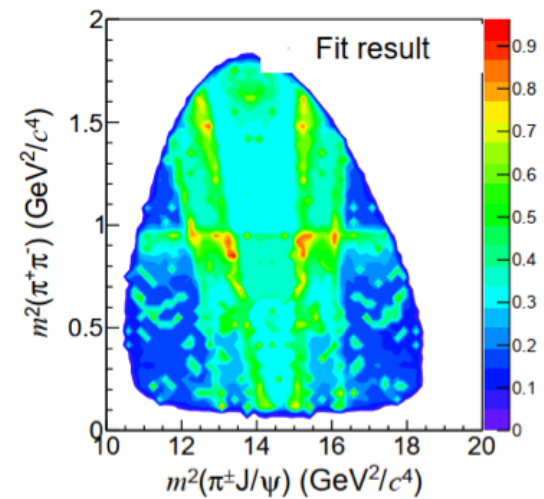
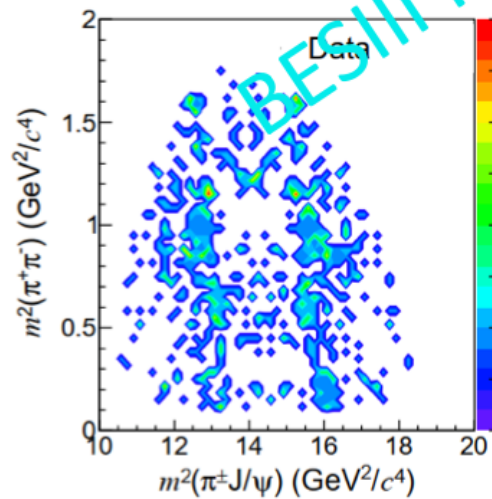
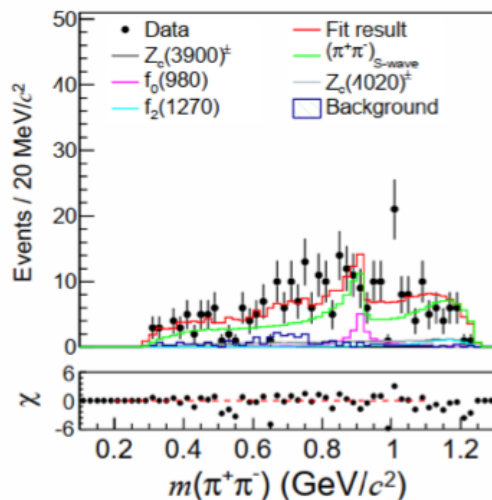
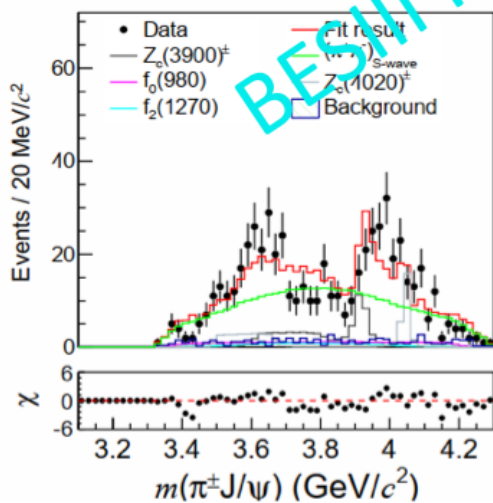
# $Z_c(3900)$

but not all is understood: what happens at larger center-of-mass energies?

$\sqrt{s} = 4.4156 \text{ GeV}$



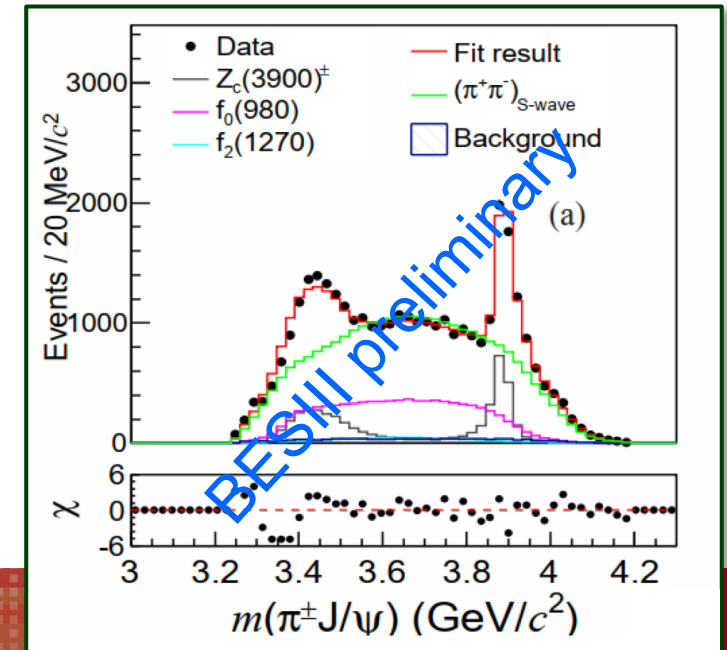
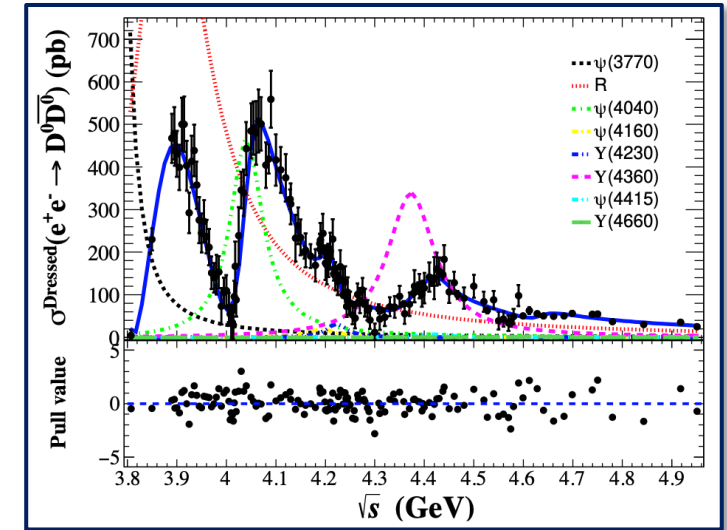
$\sqrt{s} = 4.4359 \text{ GeV}$



# Summary

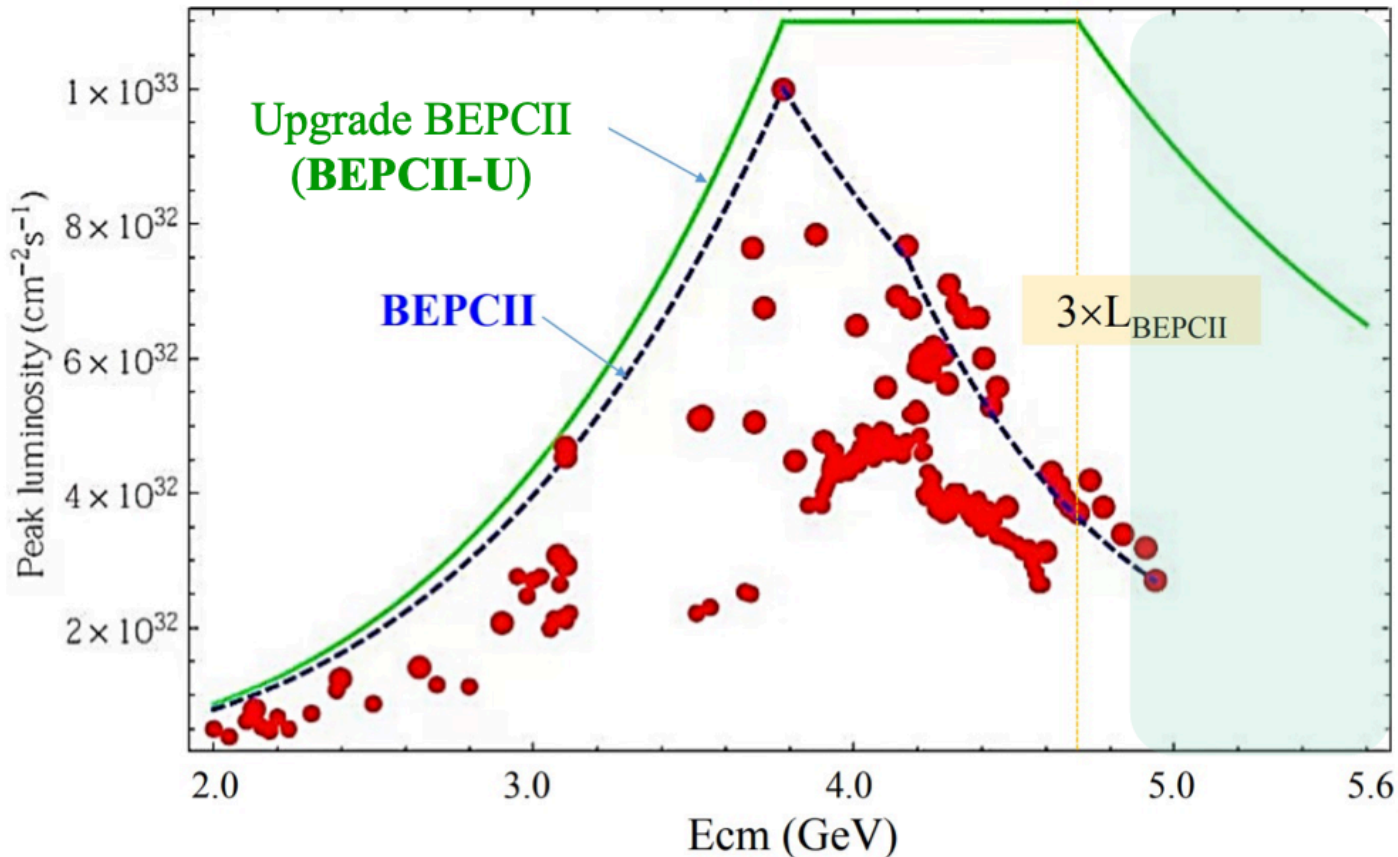
# Summary

- BESIII remains very active in spectroscopy of charmonium-like states
- vector states:
  - clear structures in hidden-charm final states
  - measurements of two- and three-body open-charm cross sections nearly complete
  - interpretation of single channels as well as inclusive cross section is difficult...
  - ... coupled channel approaches are needed – and are coming!
- $\chi_{c1}(3872)$ :
  - BESIII has established production process:  $\psi(4230) \rightarrow \gamma\chi_{c1}(3872)$
  - allows to look for new decay modes...
  - ... and lineshape studies – can be improved with future data!
- $Z_c$ -states:
  - new data, much more finely spaced in center-of-mass energy
  - study connection between  $\psi(4230)$  and  $Z_c(3900)$
  - intriguing open question: what happens at larger center-of-mass energies?
- very much open to experiment-theory collaboration – approach us!



# Outlook

## Upgrade to BEPCII:



- up to 3x higher luminosities in XYZ region
  - precision XYZ physics at BESIII
  - fine energy scans to study cross sections
  - large datasets at single  $\sqrt{s}$  to study  $X, Z_c$  lineshapes
  - open to suggestions!
- center-of-mass energies up to 5.6 GeV
  - cross multiple charmed baryon thresholds:  $\Sigma_c \bar{\Sigma}_c, \Xi_c \bar{\Xi}_c, \Omega_c \bar{\Omega}_c$
  - above  $J/\psi p \bar{p}$  threshold, can we produce pentaquarks?
  - largely unexplored region, new surprises await!



Thank you for your attention!

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