

# Recent results from Charmonium decays at BESIII

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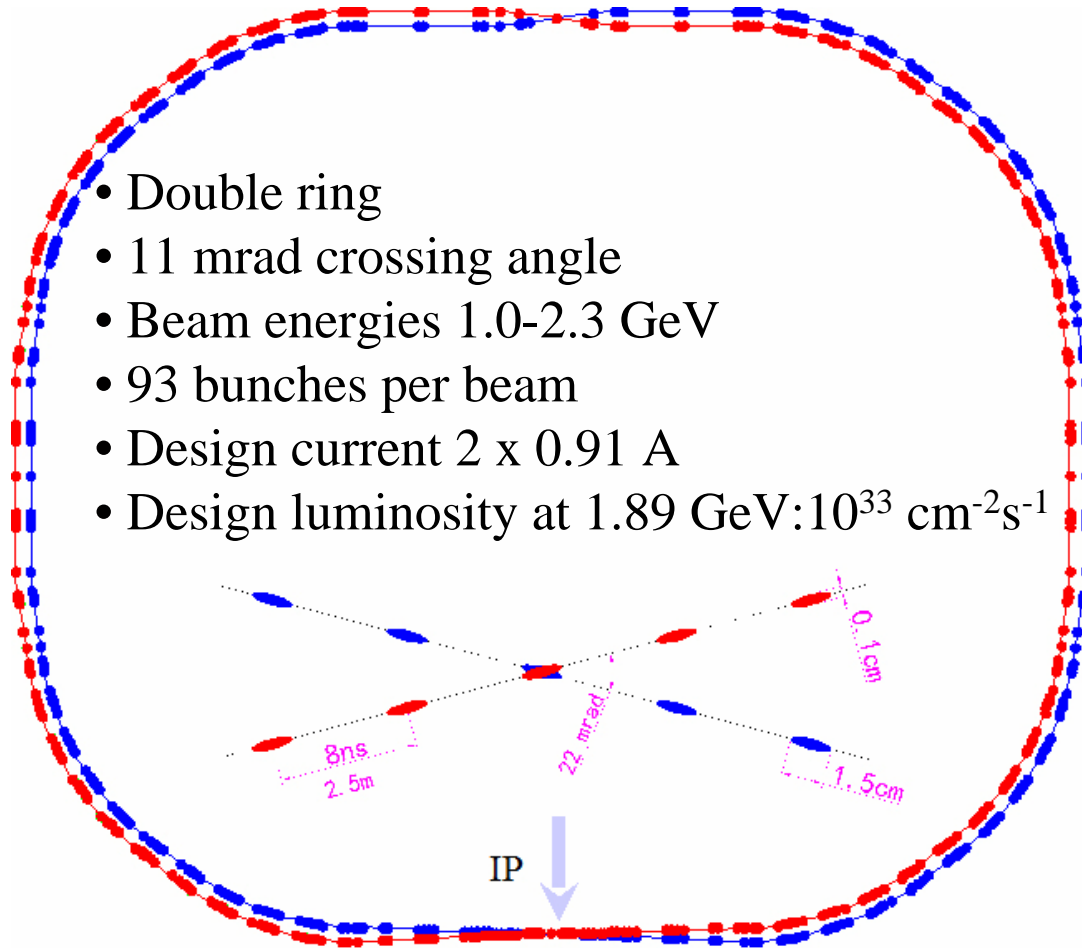
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# Outline

- BEPCII and BESIII
- Observation of  $h_c$
- Evidence for  $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma P$  ( $P=\pi^0, \eta$ )
- $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma \chi_{cJ}$ 
  - $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow \gamma V$  ( $V=\rho, \omega, \phi$ )
  - $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow VV$  ( $V=\omega, \phi$ )
- Summary

# The Beijing Electron-Positron Collider II

- Double ring
- 11 mrad crossing angle
- Beam energies 1.0-2.3 GeV
- 93 bunches per beam
- Design current 2 x 0.91 A
- Design luminosity at 1.89 GeV:  $10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$



# BEPC II achievements

parameters	design	Achieved	
		BER	BPR
Energy (GeV)	1.89	1.89	1.89
Beam curr. (mA)	910	650	700
Bunch curr. (mA)	9.8	>10	>10
Bunch number	93	93	93
RF voltage	1.5	1.5	1.5
* $\nu_s$ @1.5MV	0.033	0.032	0.032
$\beta_x^*/\beta_y^*$ (m)	1.0/0.015	~1.0/0.0135	~1.0/0.0135
Inj. Rate (mA/min)	200 e <sup>-</sup> /50 e <sup>+</sup>	>200	>50
Lum. ( $\times 10^{33}\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ )	1		0.65

# The Beijing Spectrometer III

Main Drift Chamber  
(MDC)

$$\sigma(p_T)/p_T = 0.32\% \oplus 0.37\%$$

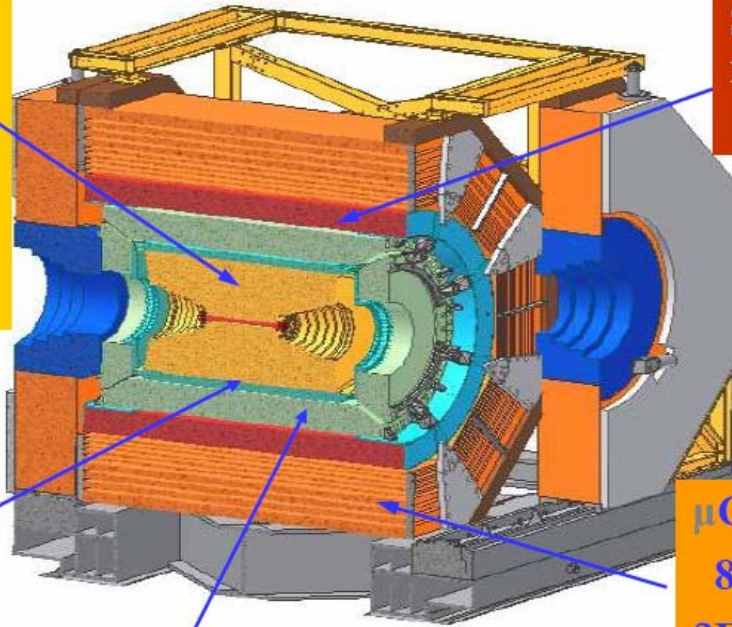
(1 GeV)

$$\sigma_{dE/dx} = 5.3\%$$

Time Of Flight  
(TOF)

$$\sigma_T = 80\text{ps Barrel}$$

100ps endcap



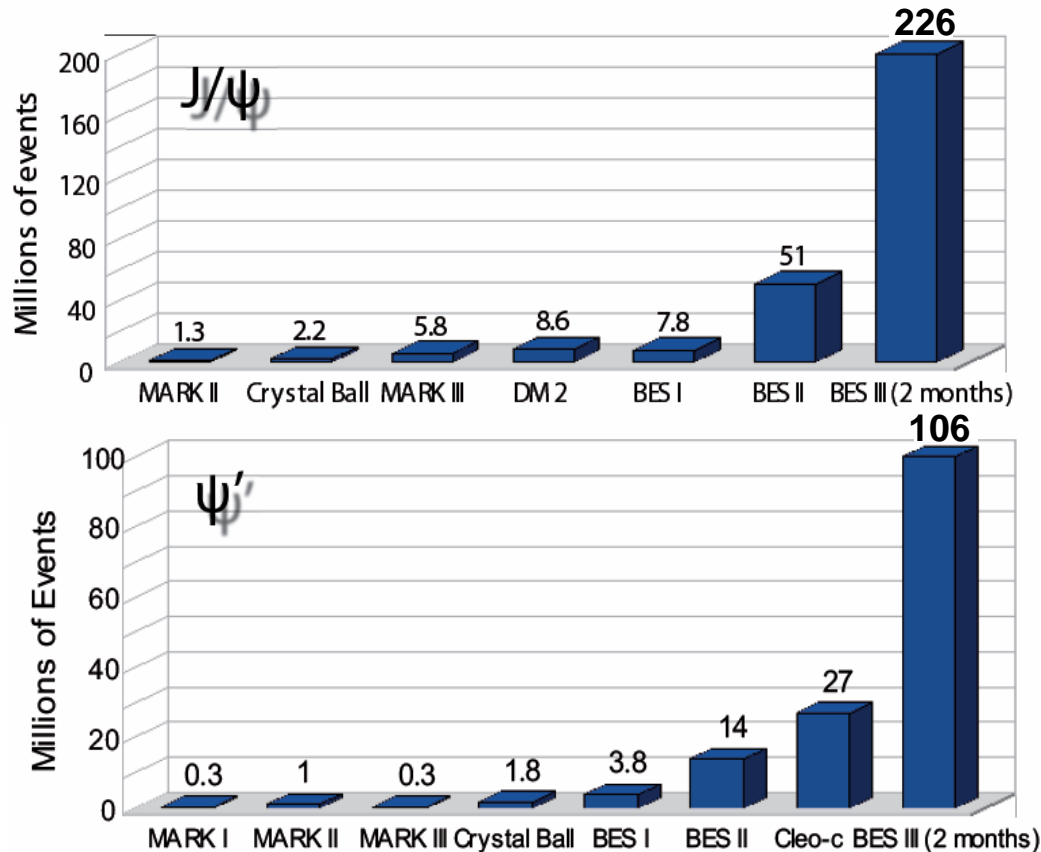
Super-conducting  
magnet  
1.0 tesla

$\mu$ Counter  
8- 9 layers  
 $\delta R\Phi = 1.4\text{ cm} \sim 1.7\text{ cm}$

$$\text{EMC: } \Delta E/\sqrt{E} = 2.5\% \text{ @ 1 GeV}$$
$$\sigma_{z,\phi} = 0.6\text{ cm}/\sqrt{E}$$

# BESIII data samples

2009:



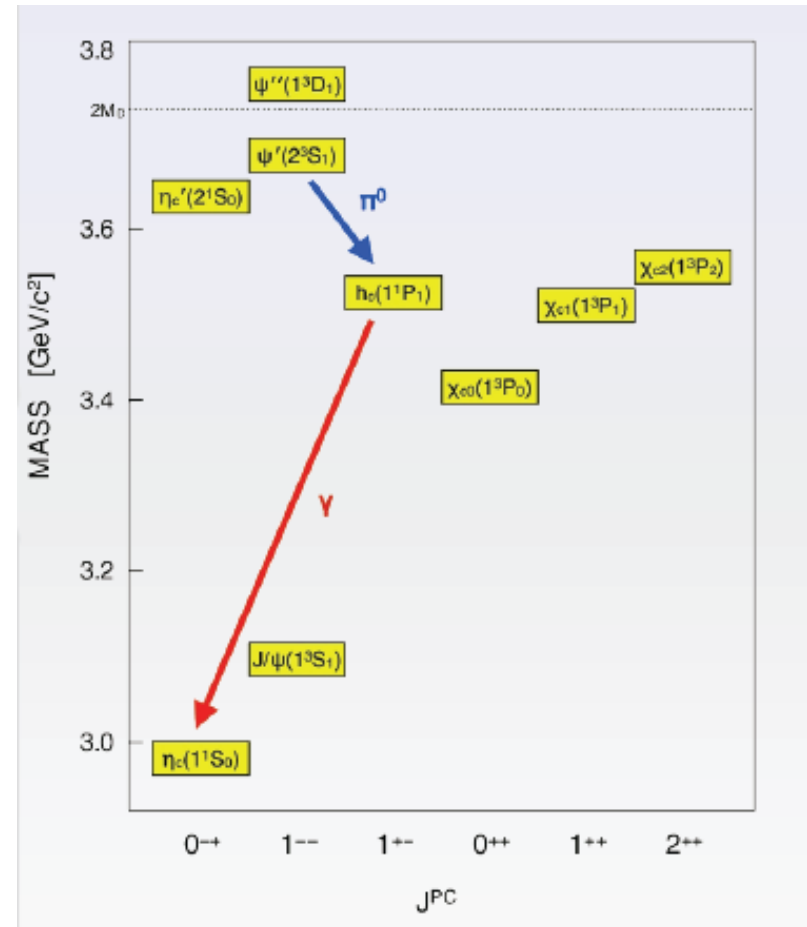
- 2010:  $\sim 900 \text{ pb}^{-1} \psi(3770)$  data taken at  $3.773 \text{ GeV}$   
 $\sim 70 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  energy scan data taken from  $3.646$  to  $3.892 \text{ GeV}$
- 2011:  $\sim 1800 \text{ pb}^{-1} \psi(3770)$  data taken at  $3.773 \text{ GeV}$   
 $\sim 500 \text{ pb}^{-1} \psi(4040)$  data taken at  $4.01 \text{ GeV}$

2011-06

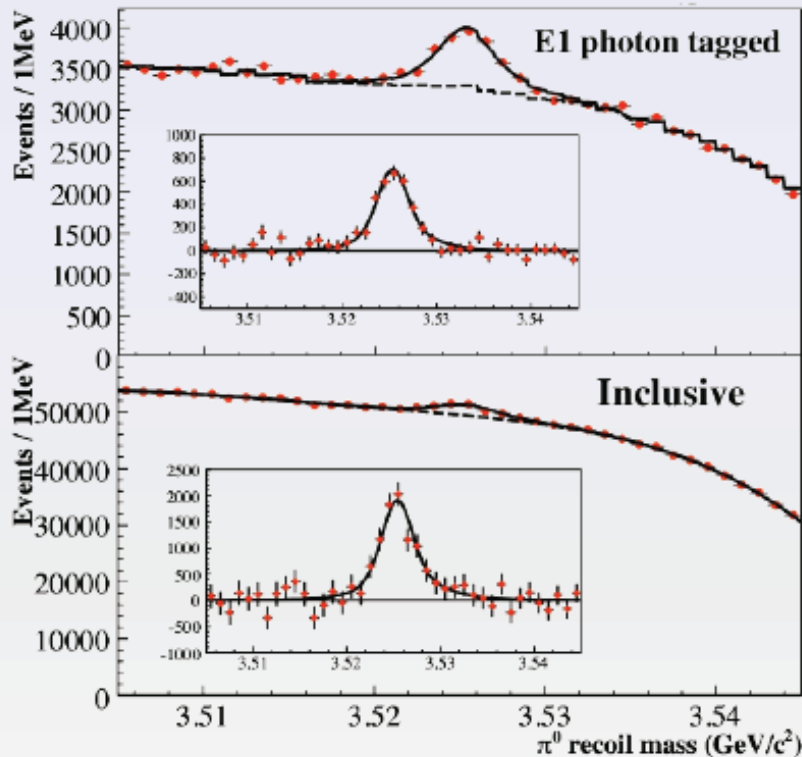
# Observation of $h_c$ (1)

- $B(\Psi' \rightarrow \pi^0 h_c)$ ;  
measure of isospin violation
- $B(h_c \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c)$ ;  
large  $E1$  transition
- $M(h_c)$  gives access to hyperfine splitting of  $1P$  states:  
 $M(h_c(1P)) - \langle M(\chi_{cJ}(1P)) \rangle_{\text{spin-weighted}}$

- first evidence: E385 in  $\bar{p}p \rightarrow h_c \rightarrow \eta_c \gamma$   
PRD 72, 092004 (2005)
- CLEO-c could only access  
 $B(\Psi' \rightarrow \pi^0 h_c) \times B(h_c \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c)$ ;  
PRL 101, 182003 (2008)
- BESIII could access  
individual  $B$  and  $B$ ,  $M(h_c)$ ,  $\Gamma(h_c)$ ;  
PRL 104, 132002 (2010)



# Observation of $h_c$ (2)



Tag the photon to access

$$B(\Psi' \rightarrow \pi^0 h_c) \times B(h_c \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c) \\ = (4.58 \pm 0.40 \pm 0.50) \times 10^{-4}$$

*(consistent with CLEO-c)*

Don't tag the photon to access

$$B(\Psi' \rightarrow \pi^0 h_c) = (8.4 \pm 1.3 \pm 1.0) \times 10^{-4}$$

*(first measurement)*

- Combining the branching fractions leads to  $B(h_c \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c) = (54.3 \pm 6.7 \pm 5.2)\%$  *(first measurement)*
- $M(h_c) = 3525.40 \pm 0.13 \pm 0.18 \text{ MeV}$  *(consistent with CLEO-c)*;  
 $\Gamma(h_c) = 0.73 \pm 0.45 \pm 0.28 \text{ MeV}$  *(first measurement)*
- $M(h_c)$  vs  $\langle M(\chi_{cJ}(1P)) \rangle_{\text{spin-weighted}} = 3525.30 \pm 0.11 \text{ MeV}$  (PDG)  
 $\Rightarrow$  small hyperfine splitting of 1P states



# Observation of $h_c$ (3)

	BESIII	CLEOc
$\text{Br}(\psi' \rightarrow \pi^0 h_c) \times \text{Br}(h_c \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c)$ [ $10^{-4}$ ]	$4.58 \pm 0.40 \pm 0.50$	$4.19 \pm 0.32 \pm 0.40$
$M$ [MeV/ $c^2$ ]	$3525.40 \pm 0.13 \pm 0.18$	$3525.80 \pm 0.19 \pm 0.11$
$\Gamma$ [MeV]	$0.73 \pm 0.45 \pm 0.28$ < 1.44 @ 90%CL	1.1 (NRQCD) Kuang 0.51 (PQCD) Kuang
$\Delta M_{\text{hf}}(1P)$ [MeV/ $c^2$ ]	$0.10 \pm 0.13 \pm 0.18$	$0.08 \pm 0.18 \pm 0.12$

	BESIII	theoretical prediction
$\text{Br}(\psi' \rightarrow \pi^0 h_c)$ [ $10^{-4}$ ]	$8.4 \pm 1.3 \pm 1.0$	4 - 13
$\text{Br}(h_c \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c)$	$54.3 \pm 6.7 \pm 5.2$	41 (NRQCD) Kuang 88 (PQCD) Kuang 38 Godfrey, Rosner

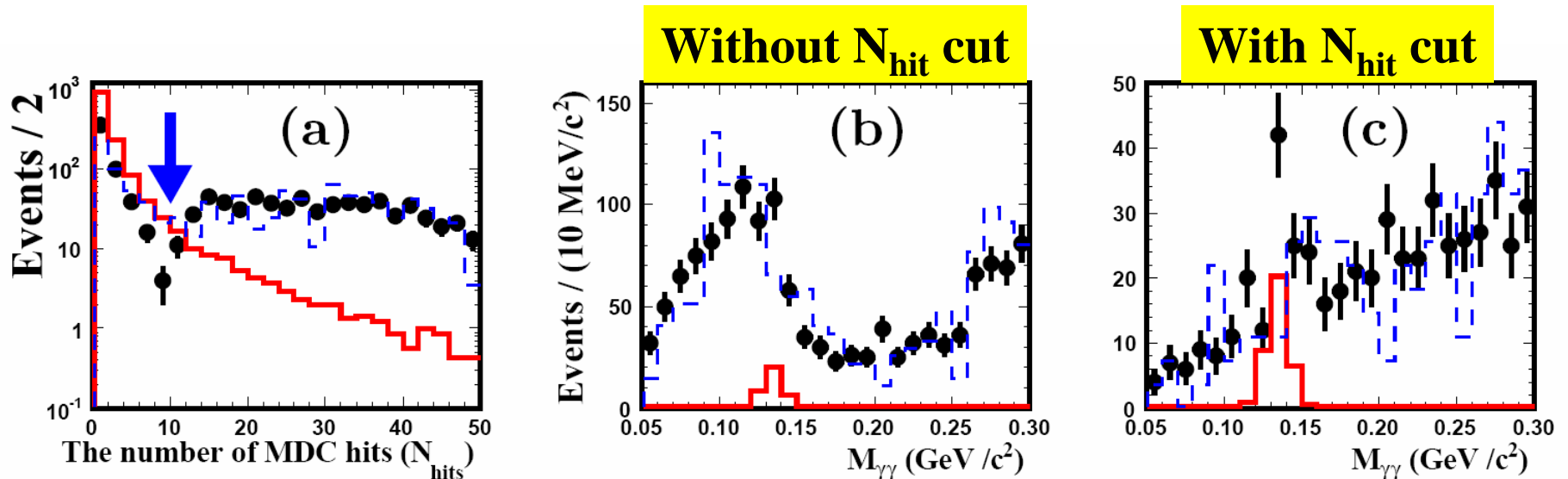
# Evidence for $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma P$ ( $P = \pi^0, \eta$ ) (1)

PRL105, 261801 (2010)

- Test for various phenomenological mechanisms
- The first order of perturbation theory predicts:  
$$R_{J/\psi} = B(J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma \eta) / B(J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma \eta') = R_{\psi'}$$
- Measurements from CLEO (PRD79,111101(2009)):  
 $R_{\psi'} < 1.8\%$  (90% C.L.) and  $R_{J/\psi} = (21.1 \pm 0.9)\%$
- The suppressed decay mode  $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma \pi^0$  is calculated in PRD79,097301:  
$$B(\psi' \rightarrow \gamma \pi^0) = 2.19 \times 10^{-7}$$
- CLEO gives  $B(\psi' \rightarrow \gamma \pi^0) < 5.0 \times 10^{-6}$  (90% C.L.)

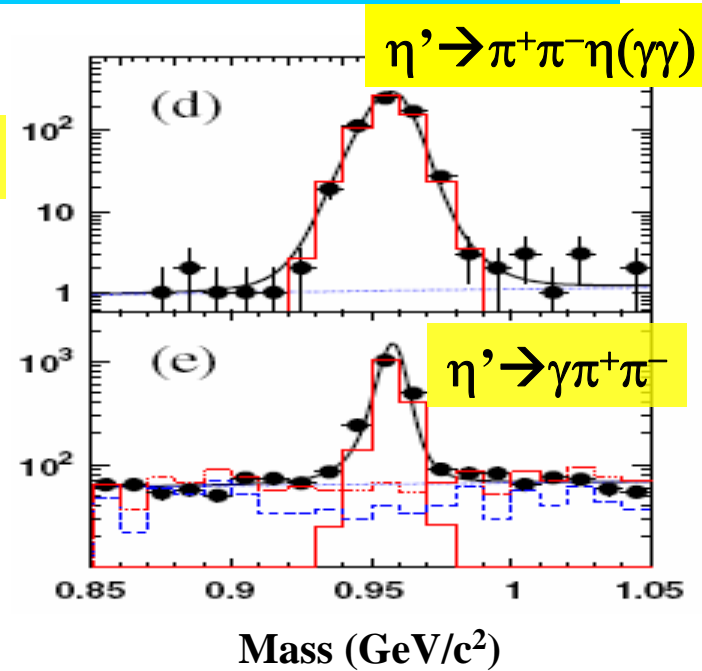
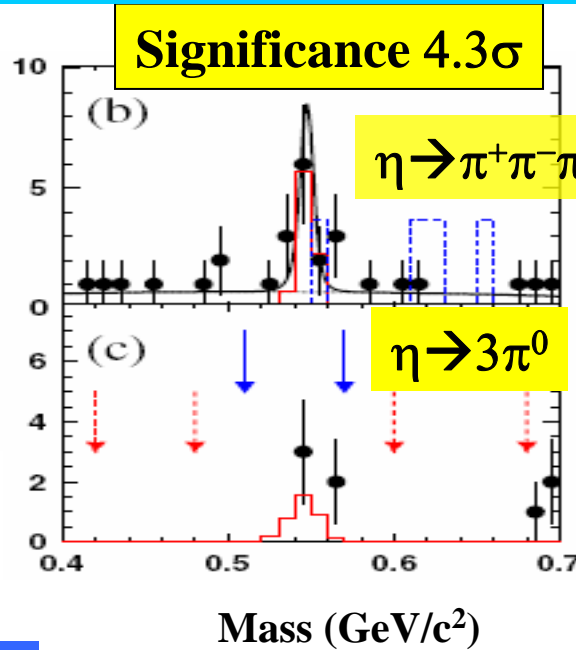
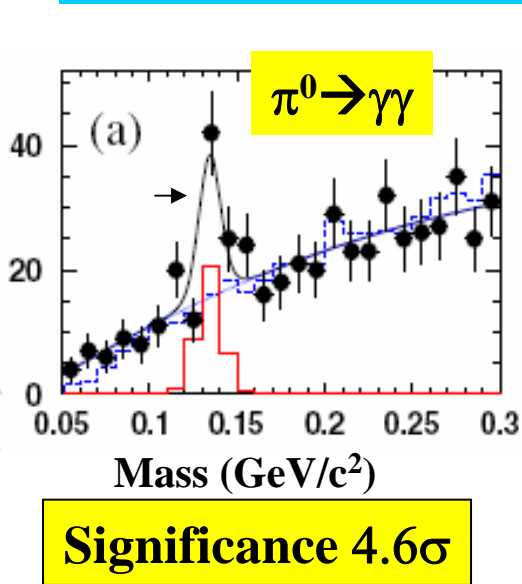
# Evidence for $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma P$ ( $P = \pi^0, \eta$ ) (2)

- One dangerous background for  $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma \pi^0 (\gamma\gamma)$  is  $ee \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  events with one photon conversion but the produced  $ee$  pair is not well reconstructed.
- So special requirement  $N_{\text{hits}} \leq 10$  is applied, where  $N_{\text{hits}}$  is the number of hits in the MDC sector between the two shower positions.



Red histogram: MC signal, dashed histogram: continuum BG, Points:  $\psi'$  data

# Evidence for $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma P$ ( $P = \pi^0, \eta$ ) (3)



Branching ratios ( $10^{-6}$ ):

Mode	BESIII	Combined BESIII	PDG
$\psi' \rightarrow \gamma\pi^0$	$1.58 \pm 0.40 \pm 0.13$	$1.58 \pm 0.40 \pm 0.13$	$\leq 5$
$\psi' \rightarrow \gamma\eta(\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0)$	$1.78 \pm 0.72 \pm 0.17$	$1.38 \pm 0.48 \pm 0.09$	$\leq 2$
$\rightarrow \gamma\eta(\pi^0\pi^0\pi^0)$	$1.07 \pm 0.65 \pm 0.08$		
$\psi' \rightarrow \gamma\eta'(\pi^+\pi^-\eta)$	$120 \pm 5 \pm 8$	$126 \pm 3 \pm 8$	$121 \pm 8$
$\rightarrow \gamma\eta'(\pi^+\pi^-\gamma)$	$129 \pm 3 \pm 8$		

The first measurement:

$$R_{\psi'} = (1.10 \pm 0.38 \pm 0.07)\%$$

much smaller than

$$R_{J/\psi} = (21.1 \pm 0.9)\%$$

# Study of $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow \gamma V$ ( $V = \rho, \omega, \phi$ ) (1)

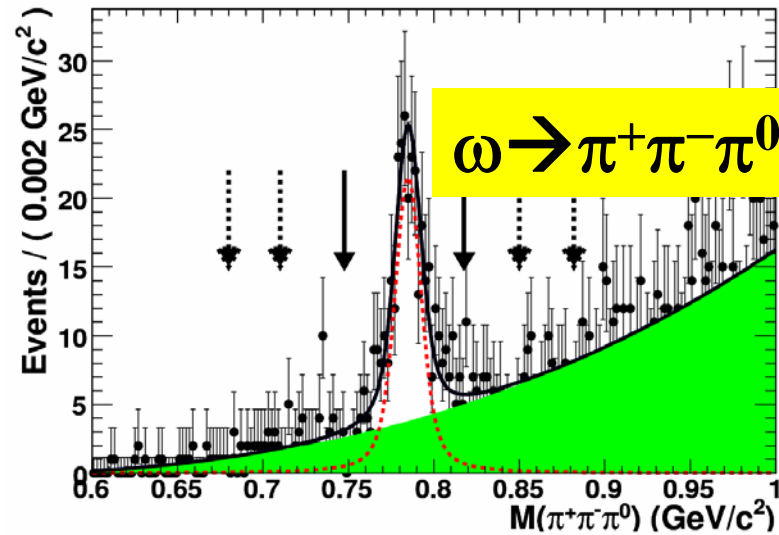
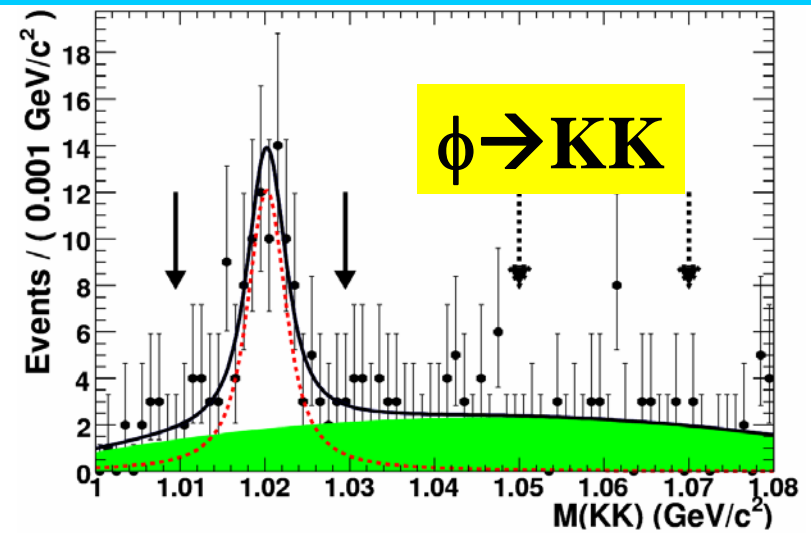
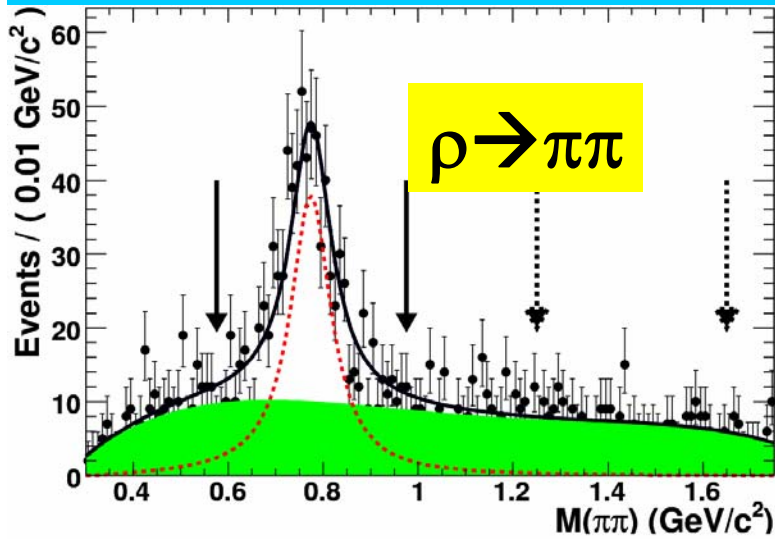
A favorable process to validate theoretical techniques

Theoretical predictions and results from CLEO-c on  $\text{Br}(\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow \gamma V)$  ( $10^{-6}$ ):

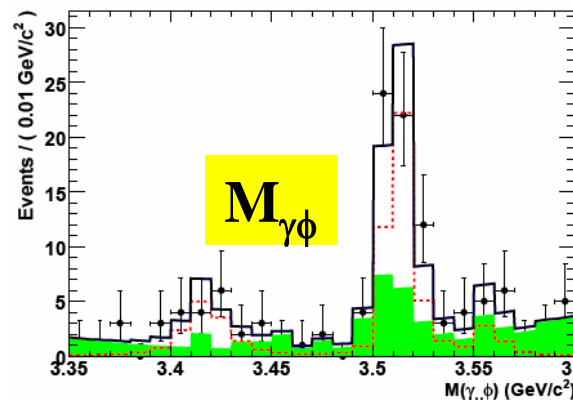
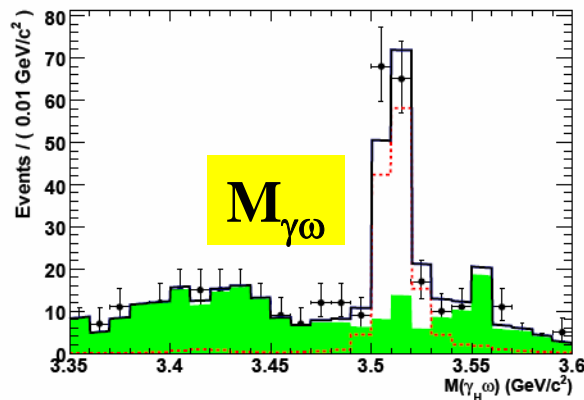
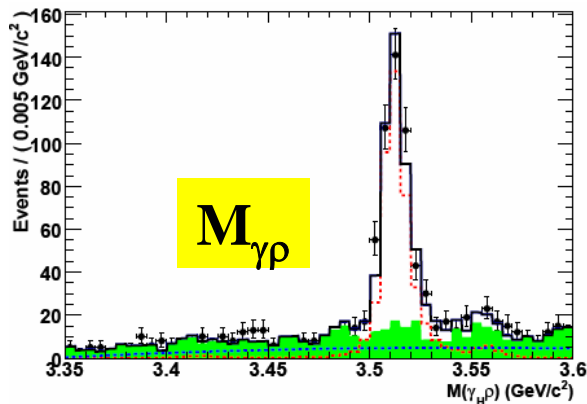
Mode	CLEO <sup>1</sup>	pQCD <sup>2</sup>	QCD <sup>3</sup>	QCD+QED <sup>3</sup>
$\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \gamma \rho^0$	$< 9.6$	1.2	3.2	2.0
$\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \gamma \rho^0$	$243 \pm 19 \pm 22$	14	41	42
$\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \gamma \rho^0$	$< 50$	4.4	13	38
$\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \gamma \omega$	$< 8.8$	0.13	0.35	0.22
$\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \gamma \omega$	$83 \pm 15 \pm 12$	1.6	4.6	4.7
$\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \gamma \omega$	$< 7.0$	0.5	1.5	4.2
$\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \gamma \phi$	$< 6.4$	0.46	1.3	0.03
$\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \gamma \phi$	$< 26$	3.6	11	11
$\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \gamma \phi$	$< 13$	1.1	3.3	6.5

1. PRL 101,151801 (2008). 2. Chin. Phys. Lett. 23, 2376 (2006). 3. hep-ph/0701009

# Study of $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow \gamma V$ ( $V = \rho, \omega, \phi$ ) (2)



# Study of $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow \gamma V$ ( $V = \rho, \omega, \phi$ ) (3)



B( $10^{-6}$ )	BESIII	CLEOc	PQCD
$\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \gamma \rho^0$	<10.5	<9.6	1.2
$\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \gamma \rho^0$	$228 \pm 13 \pm 22$	$243 \pm 19 \pm 22$	14
$\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \gamma \rho^0$	<20.8	<50	4.4
$\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \gamma \omega$	<12.9	<8.8	0.13
$\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \gamma \omega$	$69.7 \pm 7.2 \pm 6.6$	$83 \pm 15 \pm 12$	1.6
$\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \gamma \omega$	<6.1	<7.0	0.5
$\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \gamma \phi$	<16.2	<6.4	0.46
$\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \gamma \phi$	$25.8 \pm 5.2 \pm 2.3$	<26	3.6
$\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \gamma \phi$	<8.1	<13	1.1

- $\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \gamma \phi$  observed for the first time.
- pQCD predictions  $\times 10$  too low.
- Difference may be explained by non-perturbative QCD “loop corrections”. D.Y Chen *et al*, arXiv:1005.0066v2[hep-ph].

CLEOc: PRL 101, 151801 (2008)

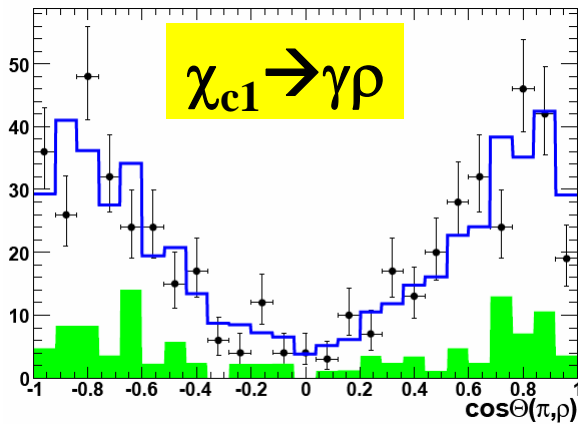
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# Study of $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow \gamma V$ ( $V = \rho, \omega, \phi$ ) (4)

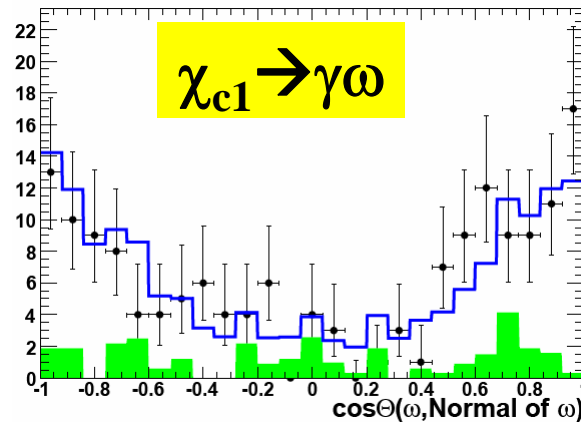
- **L: Longitudinal polarization, T: Transverse polarization,  $\theta$ : Helicity angle**

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{\Gamma d\cos\theta} \propto (1 - f_T) \cos^2 \Theta + \frac{1}{2} f_T \sin^2 \Theta \quad f_T = \frac{|A_T|^2}{|A_T|^2 + |A_L|^2}$$

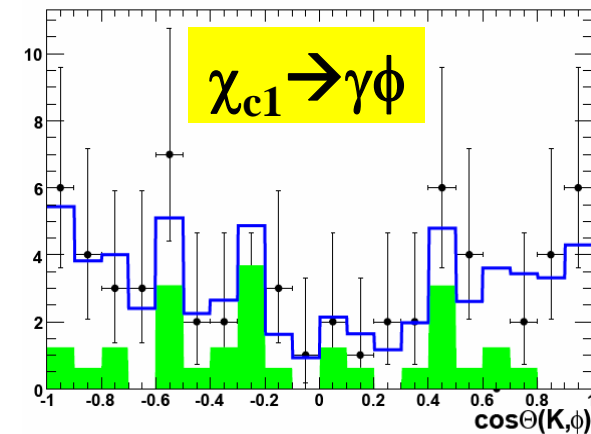
- **The longitudinal polarization dominates in the  $\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \gamma V$ :**



$$f_T = 0.158 \pm 0.034^{+0.015}_{-0.014}$$



$$f_T = 0.247^{+0.090+0.044}_{-0.087-0.026}$$



$$f_T = 0.29^{+0.13+0.10}_{-0.12-0.09}$$



# Study of $\chi_{c1} \rightarrow VV$ ( $V = \omega, \phi$ )

- Previous measurements from BESII.

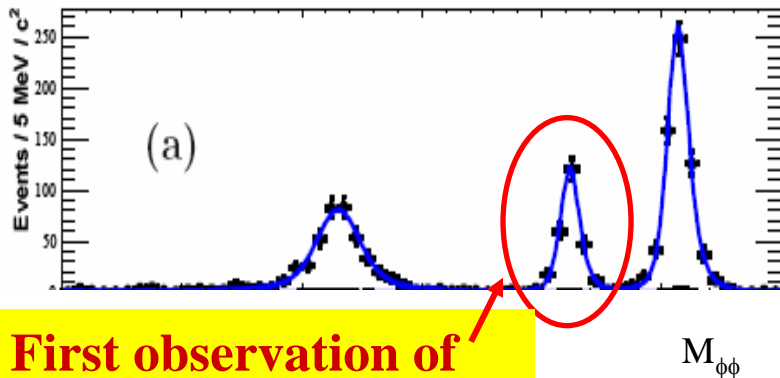
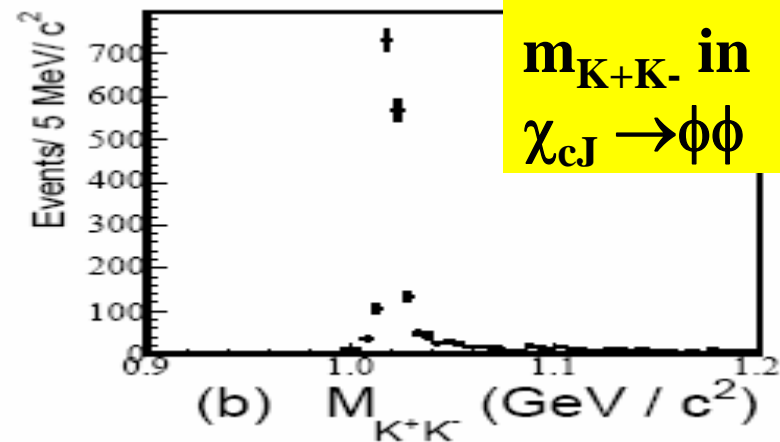
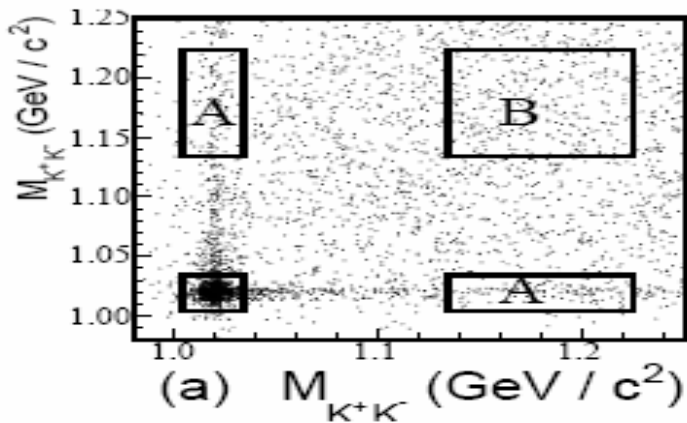
Only  $\chi_{c0}$  and  $\chi_{c2}$  decays into  $\phi\phi$  and  $\omega\omega$  are observed.

BR( $10^{-3}$ )	$\chi_{c0}$	$\chi_{c2}$
$\rightarrow \phi\phi$ BESII, PLB 642, 197 (2006)	$0.94 \pm 0.21 \pm 0.13$	$1.70 \pm 0.30 \pm 0.25$
$\rightarrow \omega\omega$ BESII, PLB 630, 7 (2005)	$2.29 \pm 0.58 \pm 0.41$	$1.77 \pm 0.47 \pm 0.36$

- $\chi_{c1} \rightarrow VV$  is suppressed due to helicity selection rule in pQCD
- $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow \omega\phi$  is doubly OZI suppressed.

# $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow \phi\phi, \phi \rightarrow K^+K^-$

- Using kinematic fit to select  $\gamma 2(K^+K^-)$  candidates
- $\phi\phi$  pair reconstruction: minimize  $[M^{(1)}(K^+K^-) - m_\phi]^2 + [M^{(2)}(K^+K^-) - m_\phi]^2$



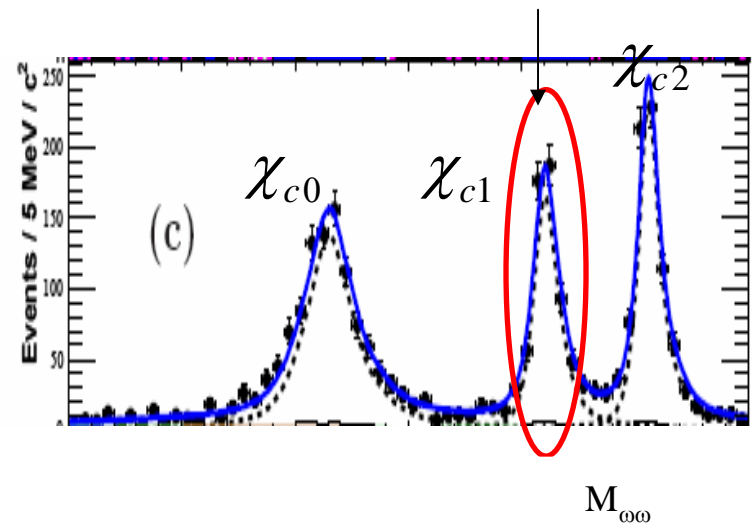
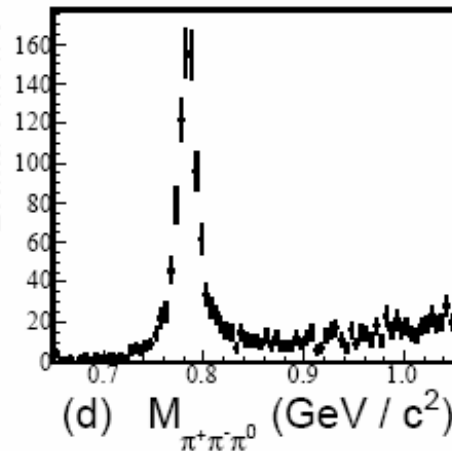
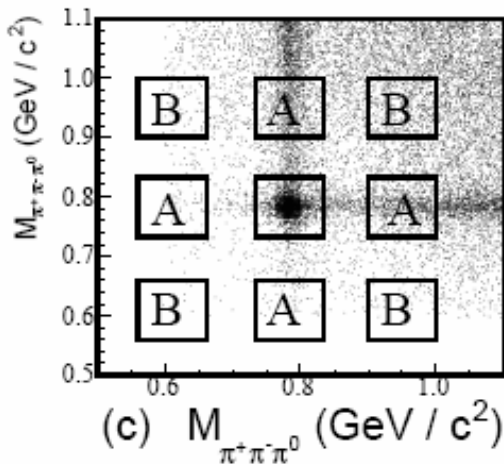
First observation of  $\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \phi\phi$

BR( $10^{-4}$ )	BESIII	PDG08
$\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \phi\phi$	$7.8 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.8$	$9.2 \pm 1.9$
$\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \phi\phi$	$4.1 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.4$	----
$\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \phi\phi$	$10.7 \pm 0.4 \pm 1.1$	$14.8 \pm 2.8$

# $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow \omega\omega, \omega \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$

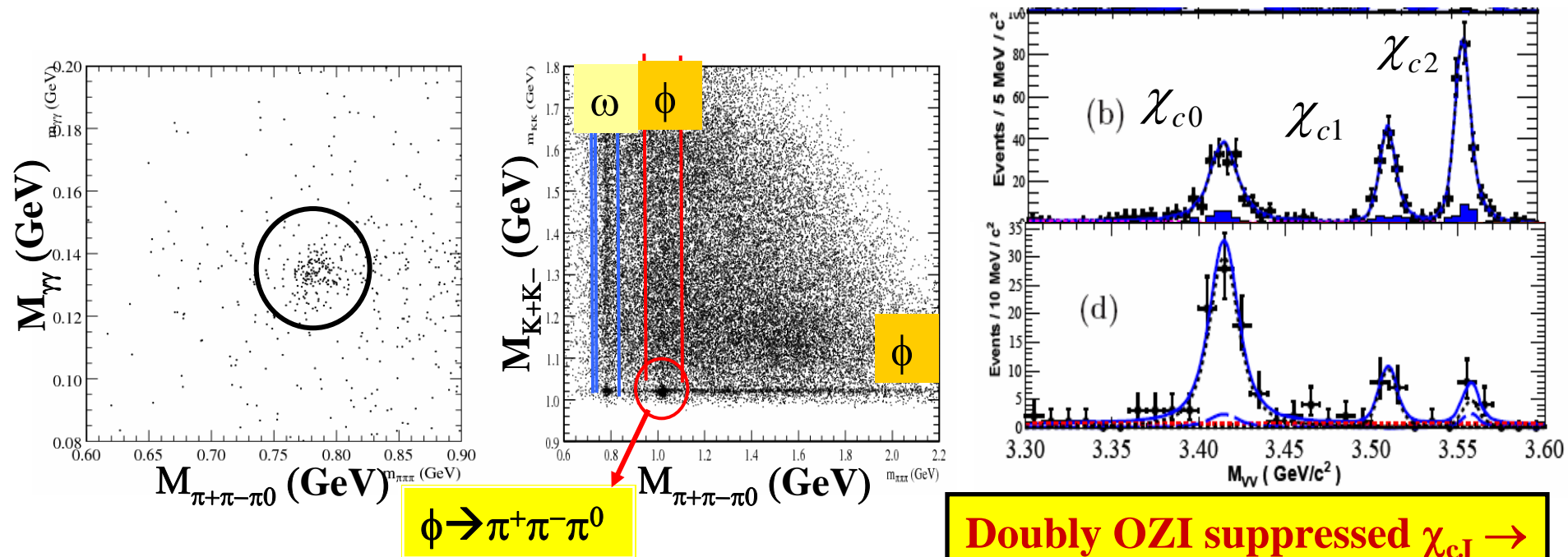
- Using kinematic fit to select  $5\gamma 2(\pi^+\pi^-)$  candidates
- $\pi^0\pi^0$  pair reconstruction: minimize  $[M^{(1)}(\gamma\gamma)-m_{\pi^0}]^2 + [M^{(2)}(\gamma\gamma)-m_{\pi^0}]^2$  loop over 5  $\gamma$
- $\omega$  reconstruction: minimize  $|m(\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0)-m_\omega|$ , then remained  $\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$  reconstruct the other  $\omega$

First observation of  $\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \omega\omega$



$$\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow \omega\phi(\phi\phi), \omega(\phi) \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0, \phi \rightarrow K^+K^-$$

- $K^+K^-$  are identified : minimize  $|M(K^+K^-)-m_\phi|$
- Using kinematic fit to select  $3\gamma 2K 2\pi$  candidates
- $\omega$  reconstruction: minimize  $[M_{\gamma\gamma}-m_{\pi^0}]^2 + [M_{\gamma\gamma\pi^+\pi^-}-m_\omega]^2$  loop over  $3\gamma$



**Doubly OZI suppressed  $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow \omega\phi$  signals are observed for the first time.**

# Conclusion of the $\chi_{c1} \rightarrow VV$ ( $V=\omega, \phi$ ) Study

- Latest measurements from BESIII.
- Helicity selection rule violated process  $\chi_{c1} \rightarrow VV$  is observed.
- Doubly OZI suppressed process  $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow \omega\phi$  is also observed.

Final states	Channel	$\mathcal{B}(\times 10^{-4})$	PDG( $\times 10^{-4}$ )
$\gamma 2(K^+ K^-)$	$\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \phi\phi$	$7.8 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.8$	$9.2 \pm 1.9$
	$\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \phi\phi$	$4.1 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.4$	—
	$\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \phi\phi$	$10.7 \pm 0.4 \pm 1.1$	$14.8 \pm 2.8$
$\gamma K^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$	$\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \phi\phi$	$9.2 \pm 0.7 \pm 1.0$	$9.2 \pm 1.9$
	$\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \phi\phi$	$5.0 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.6$	—
	$\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \phi\phi$	$10.7 \pm 0.7 \pm 1.2$	$14.8 \pm 2.8$
Combined	$\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \phi\phi$	$8.0 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.8$	$9.2 \pm 1.9$
	$\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \phi\phi$	$4.4 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.5$	—
	$\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \phi\phi$	$10.7 \pm 0.3 \pm 1.2$	$14.8 \pm 2.8$
$\gamma 2(\pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0)$	$\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \omega\omega$	$9.5 \pm 0.3 \pm 1.1$	$22 \pm 7.0$
	$\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \omega\omega$	$6.0 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.7$	—
	$\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \omega\omega$	$8.9 \pm 0.3 \pm 1.1$	$19.0 \pm 6.0$
$\gamma K^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$	$\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \omega\phi$	$1.2 \pm 0.1 \pm 0.2$	—
	$\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \omega\phi$	$0.22 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.02$	—
	$\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \omega\phi$	$< 0.2$	—

# Summary

- With the largest  $\psi'$  data sample in the world and good performance of BEPCII and BESIII, several recent results about charmonium decay came out:
  - Observation of  $h_c$
  - First evidence for  $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma P$  ( $P=\pi^0, \eta$ )
  - Study of  $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow \gamma V$  ( $V=\rho, \omega, \phi$ )
  - Study of  $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow VV$  ( $V=\omega, \phi$ )
- More exciting results are coming soon from BESIII.

***Thank you / Merci !***