

Observation of $\text{Chic2} \rightarrow \text{eta} \text{p} \text{eta} \text{p}$ and $\text{Chic0,2} \rightarrow \text{eta} \text{a} \text{eta} \text{p}$

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Motivation

- The ratio of the decay branching fractions between $J/\psi \rightarrow \omega f_0(1710)$ and $J/\psi \rightarrow \phi f_0(1710)$ encodes the production mechanisms of light quark contents via the Okubo-Zweig-Iizuka(OZI) rule violations.
- Apart from the singly OZI(SOZI) disconnected process, the doubly OZI(DOZI) disconnected process may play a crucial role in the production of isospin-0 light meson pairs, for instance, in $\text{Chic}j \rightarrow f_0 f_0'$, $\omega\omega$, $\phi\phi$, $\omega\phi$, $\eta\eta$, $\eta\eta'$ and $\eta\eta''$.
- For $\text{Chic}_{0,2} \rightarrow PP$ decays, most of them have been well measured except for the processes with final states containing an η' meson.
- Measurements of $\text{Chic}_{0,2} \rightarrow \eta\eta'$ and $\eta\eta'$ are desirable and crucial to disentangle the roles played by OZI violation in charmonium decay.

Data Sets

- 448.1×10^6 psi(3686) events
- $(107.0 \pm 0.8) \times 10^6$ for 2009
- $(341.1 \pm 2.1) \times 10^6$ for 2012

Decay modes

- $\text{Chic0,2} \rightarrow \text{etap etap}$
 - mode A: both etap decay to $\gamma \text{ pip pim}$
 - mode B: both etap decay to $\eta \text{ pip pim}$
 - mode C: one to $\gamma \text{ pip pim}$, one to $\eta \text{ pip pim}$
- $\text{Chic0,2} \rightarrow \eta \text{ etap}$
 - mode I: etap decays to $\gamma \text{ pip pim}$
 - mode II: etap decays to $\eta \text{ pip pim}$

Event Selection

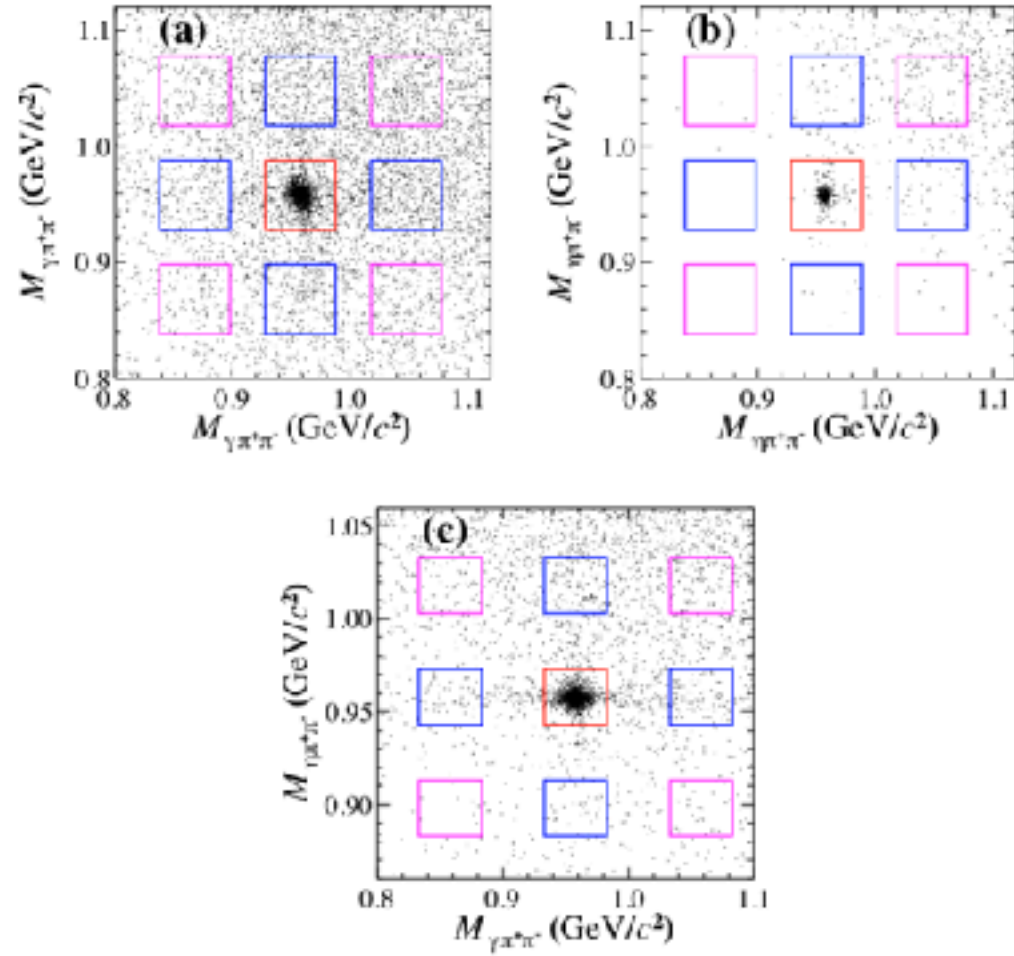


Figure 1. Scatter plots of M_i versus M_j of the candidate events for modes (a) A, (b) B, and (c) C from the $\psi(3686)$ data. The boxes denote the signal and background regions described in the text.

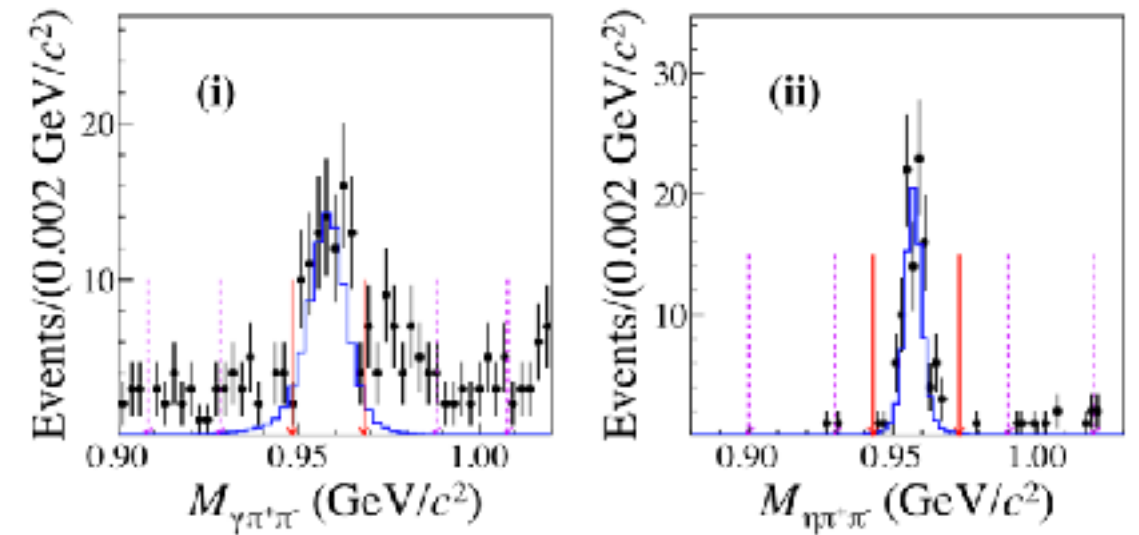


Figure 2. The M_i distributions of the η' candidate events for modes (i) I and (ii) II. In each plot, the dots with error bars are for the $\psi(3686)$ data, and the histograms are for the signal MC samples, the solid arrows show the η' signal regions and the dashed ones show sideband regions.

Data Analysis

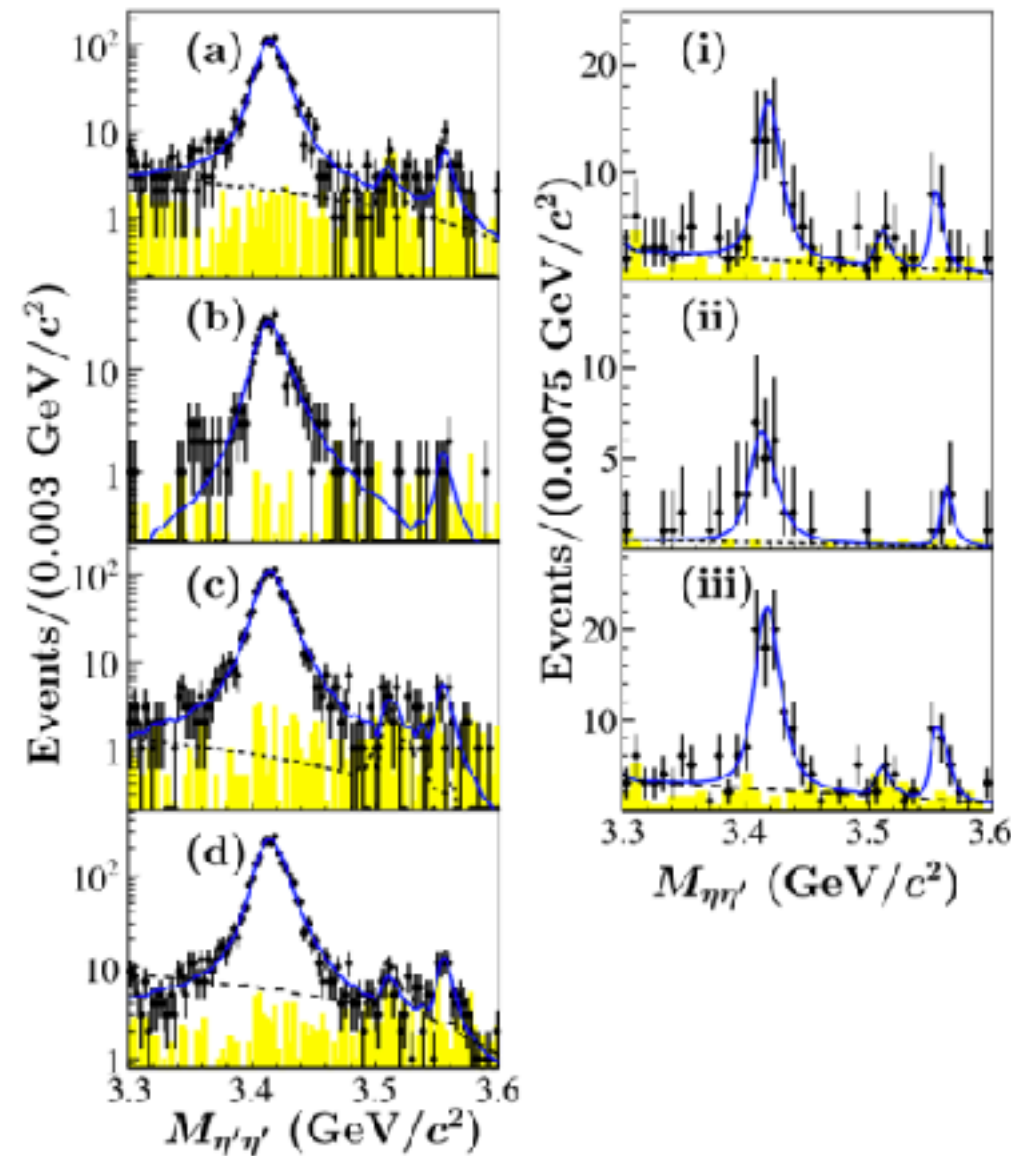


Figure 3. Left column shows the simultaneous fits for $\chi_{c0,2} \rightarrow \eta' \eta'$. (a) Mode A. (b) Mode B. (c) Mode C. (d) Sum of (a), (b), and (c). Right column shows the simultaneous fits for $\chi_{c0,2} \rightarrow \eta \eta'$. (i) Mode I. (ii) Mode II. (iii) Sum of (i) and (ii). In all of the above plots, the dots with error bars denote the $\psi(3686)$ data, the solid line denotes the overall fit results, the dashed line denotes the background and the yellow histogram shows the normalized events in the η' sideband regions.

Data Analysis

Table I. The results for $\chi_{c0,2} \rightarrow \eta' \eta' / \eta \eta'$. \mathcal{B} denotes branching fraction.

| Decay channel | $\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \eta' \eta'$ | | | $\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \eta' \eta'$ | | | $\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \eta \eta'$ | | $\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \eta \eta'$ | |
|---------------------------|---|----------------|----------------|---|----------------|----------------|---|----------------|---|----------------|
| η' decay mode | Mode A | Mode B | Mode C | Mode A | Mode B | Mode C | Mode I | Mode II | Mode I | Mode II |
| Efficiency(%) | 12.9 ± 0.1 | 11.9 ± 0.1 | 13.0 ± 0.1 | 14.0 ± 0.1 | 14.8 ± 0.1 | 14.9 ± 0.1 | 12.7 ± 0.1 | 9.0 ± 0.1 | 14.7 ± 0.1 | 10.4 ± 0.1 |
| Signal number | 1057 ± 15 | 329 ± 5 | 1238 ± 17 | 22.7 ± 2.6 | 8.1 ± 0.9 | 28.1 ± 3.3 | 59.9 ± 5.3 | 24.1 ± 2.1 | 14.3 ± 2.8 | 5.5 ± 1.1 |
| \mathcal{B} (This work) | $(2.19 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.14) \times 10^{-3}$ | | | $(4.76 \pm 0.56 \pm 0.38) \times 10^{-5}$ | | | $(8.92 \pm 0.84 \pm 0.65) \times 10^{-5}$ | | $(2.27 \pm 0.43 \pm 0.25) \times 10^{-5}$ | |
| \mathcal{B} (PDG) [2] | $(1.96 \pm 0.21) \times 10^{-3}$ | | | $< 1.0 \times 10^{-4}$ | | | $< 23 \times 10^{-5}$ | | $< 6.0 \times 10^{-5}$ | |

Systematic uncertainties

Table II. The systematic uncertainties (in %) in the branching fraction measurement.

| Decay channel | $\chi_{c0} \rightarrow$ | | $\chi_{c2} \rightarrow$ | |
|---|-------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| | $\eta' \eta'$ | $\eta \eta'$ | $\eta' \eta'$ | $\eta \eta'$ |
| $N_{\psi(3686)}$ | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.6 |
| Tracking | 4.0 | 2.0 | 4.0 | 2.0 |
| Photon efficiency | 2.2 | 2.6 | 2.2 | 2.6 |
| η reconstruction | 0.7 | 1.3 | 0.7 | 1.3 |
| η' mass window | 1.0 | 1.7 | 1.0 | 1.7 |
| Kinematic fit | 0.7 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 1.7 |
| $\chi_{c0,2}$ signal fitting | 1.1 | 5.0 | 3.9 | 9.5 |
| Intermediate state \mathcal{B} | 3.8 | 3.1 | 4.4 | 3.8 |
| Veto $\pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi$ | 0.1 | - | 0.9 | - |
| Veto $\psi(3686) \rightarrow \pi^0 + X$ | 0.2 | 1.0 | 2.1 | 0.2 |
| Veto $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma \eta'$ | - | 0.8 | - | 1.5 |
| Total | 6.3 | 7.3 | 8.0 | 11.2 |

Summary

- $\text{Chic2} \rightarrow \text{etapetap}$, $\text{Chic0} \rightarrow \text{etaetap}$, $\text{Chic2} \rightarrow \text{etaetap}$ are observed for the first time with significances of 9.6σ , 13.4σ , 7.5σ respectively, and the corresponding branching fractions are measured
- Branching fraction of $\text{Chic0} \rightarrow \text{etapetap}$ is also measured with improved precision.
- $B(\text{chic0} \rightarrow \text{etapetap})/B(\text{chic2} \rightarrow \text{etapetap})=45$, one order larger than the ratios for other pseudoscalar meson pairs. This may initiate further studies about the dynamics of $\text{chic0,2} \rightarrow \text{PP}$.