# **Prediction of a narrow** $0^{--}$ **exotic hadronic state**

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#### Abstract

Lots of charmonium-like structures have been observed in the last two decades. Most of them have quantum numbers that can be formed by a pair of charm and anticharm quarks, thus it is difficult to unambiguously identify the exotic ones among them. By exploiting heavy quark spin symmetry, we present a robust prediction of the hadronic molecular scenario, where the  $\psi(4230), \psi(4360)$  and  $\psi(4415)$  are identified as  $D\bar{D}_1, D^*\bar{D}_1$  and  $D^*\bar{D}_2^*$ bound states, respectively. We show that a flavor-neutral charmoniumlike exotic state with quantum numbers  $J^{PC} = 0^{--}$ , denoted as  $\psi_0(4360)$ , should exist as a  $D^*\bar{D}_1$  bound state. The mass and width of the  $\psi_0(4360)$ 

### Method



Figure 2: Left: An illustration of the three-body cuts (vertical dotted lines)

should exist as a  $D^{-}D_{1}$  bound state. The mass and width of the  $\psi_{0}(4360)$ are predicted to be  $(4366\pm18)$  MeV and less than 10 MeV, respectively. The  $\psi_{0}(4360)$  is significant in two folds: no 0<sup>--</sup> hadron has been observed so far, and a study of this state will enlighten the understanding of the mysterious vector mesons between 4.2 and 4.5 GeV, as well as the nature of previously observed exotic  $Z_{c}$  and  $P_{c}$  states. We propose that such an exotic state can be searched for in  $e^{+}e^{-} \rightarrow \eta\psi_{0}(4360)$  and uniquely identified by measuring the angular distribution of the outgoing  $\eta$  meson.

Background



introduced by the simultaneous onshellness of the intermediate particles. **Right**: The cuts encountered in the  $D^*\bar{D}_1$  system.

#### Results



Figure 3: The best fitting for the single-channel (left) and coupled-channel (right) cases whose  $c_V = 0.50, c_P = 0.18$ 

Table 2: Pole positions relative to the  $D^*\overline{D}_1$  threshold in units of MeV with

- Exotic quantums number such as  $J^{PC} = 0^{--}, 0^{+-}, 1^{-+}$ .
- Some of 1<sup>-+</sup> have been observed such as  $\pi_1(1400), \pi_1(1600), \eta_1(1855).$
- No 0<sup>--</sup> has been observed yet.

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Table 1: The hadronic molecules considered here and their possible experi-mental candidates. The masses with † are the experimental values.

Molecule	Components	$J^{PC}$	Candidates	Mass (GeV)	$E_B$ MeV
$\psi(4230)$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(D\bar{D}_1 - \bar{D}D_1)$	1	$\psi(4230)$	$4.220 \pm 0.015^{\dagger}$	$67 \pm 15$
$\psi(4360)$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(D^*\bar{D}_1 - \bar{D}^*D_1)$	1	$\psi(4360)$	$4.368 \pm 0.013^{\dagger}$	$62 \pm 14$
$\psi(4415)$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(D^*\bar{D}_2 - \bar{D}^*D_2)$	1	$\psi(4415)$	$4.421 \pm 0.004^{\dagger}$	$49 \pm 4$
$\psi_0(4360)$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(D^*\bar{D}_1+\bar{D}^*D_1)$	0	_	_	_



 $c_V = 0.50, c_P = 0.18$  from the single *t*-channel fitting.

_	System	1		0		
_	<i>t</i> -channel	$-63.5 \pm 13.8$		$-72.4 \pm 17.4$		
_	$g_S$	$g_{S0}$	$g_{S1}$	$g_{S0}$	$g_{S1}$	
_	$C_2$	-61.5 - 3.5i	-61.5 - 9.2i	-70.0 - 3.5i	-70.0 - 8.9i	
_	$C_1\&C_2$	-65.8 - 6.6i	-73.1 - 14.2i	-65.8 - 0.30i	-59.4 - 1.1i	

We predict  $m_{\psi_0} = 4366 \pm 18$  MeV and  $\Gamma_{\psi_0} < 10$  MeV.

### **Experimental Search**

- The only channel for  $\psi_0(4360)$  production in  $e^+e^-$  annihilation at  $\sqrt{s} \sim 5$  GeV is *P*-wave  $\eta \psi_0(4360)$ .
- Hard to be distinguished from  $\eta \psi(4360)$  with only invariant mass distribution of, e.g.,  $D\bar{D}^*$ .
- Angular distribution is necessary.





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Figure 4: Angular distribution of  $e^+e^- \to \eta \psi_{(0)}$ .  $\theta$  is the angle between the outgoing  $\eta$  and initial  $e^+e^-$  beam.

- BaBar and Belle, e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> collision, ISR or B decay.
  LHCb, pp collision.
- BEPCII, which will be upgraded to about 5.6 GeV.

