



Theoretical review on light meson and heavy hadron spectroscopy

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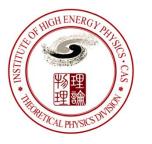
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Some insights into the nonperturbative QCD phenomena

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Outline

- 1. Hadrons beyond the conventional quark model
- 2. Vector charmonia probed in e^+e^- annihilations
- 3. Non-perturbative mechanism probed in heavy hadron hadronic weak decays
- 4. Summary

1. Hadrons beyond the conventional quark model

Exotic hadrons

Exotics of Type-I:

JPC are not allowed by Q Q configurations, e.g. 0—,1— ...

Direct observation

Exotics of Type-II:

JPC are the same as Q Q configurations

- Outnumbering of conventional QM states?
- Peculiar properties?

"Exotics" of Type-III:

Leading kinematic singularity can cause measurable effects, e.g. the triangle singularity.

- What's the impact?
- How to distinguish a genuine state from kinematic effects?

Hybrid

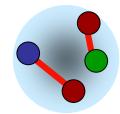
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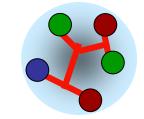
Tetraquark

Pentaquark

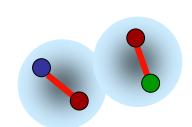








Hadronic molecule



Deuteron

proton

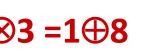
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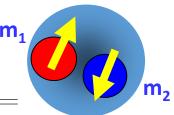
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neutron

Evidence for QCD exotic states is a missing piece of knowledge about the Nature of strong QCD.

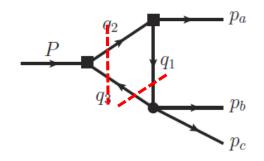
$q\overline{q}$ SU(3) flavor nonet: $3\otimes 3 = 1\oplus 8$



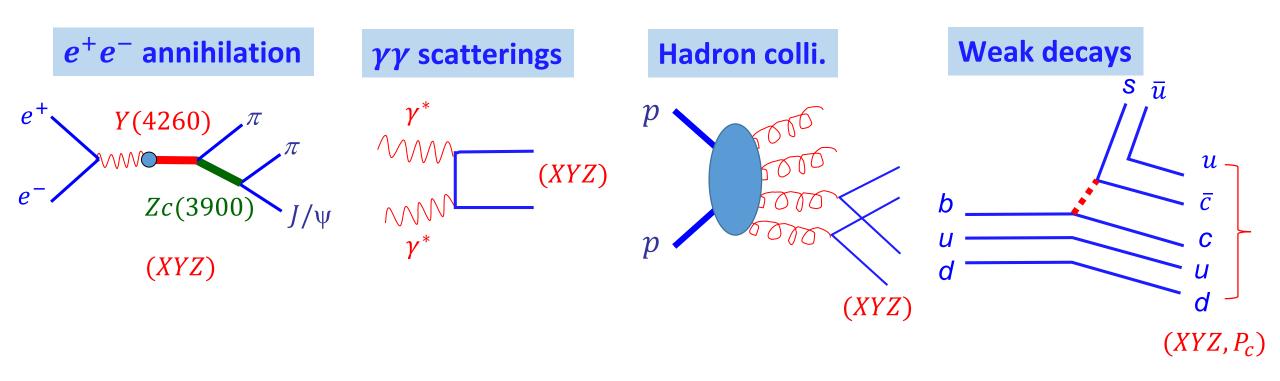


$n^{2s+1}\ell_J$	J^{PC}	I = 1	$I = \frac{1}{2}$	I = 0	I = 0	
		$u\bar{d}, \bar{u}d,$	$u\bar{s}, d\bar{s};$	f'	f	
		$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(d\bar{d}-u\bar{u})$	$\bar{d}s,\bar{u}s$			
$1^{1}S_{0}$	0-+	π	K	η	$\eta'(958)$	
$1^{3}S_{1}$	1	ho(770)	$K^*(892)$	$\phi(1020)$	$\omega(782)$	
$1^{3}P_{0}$	0_{++}	$a_0(1450)$	$K_0^*(1430)$	$f_0(1370, 1$	500, 1710)	
$1^{1}P_{1}$	1+-	$b_1(1235)$	$oldsymbol{K_{1B}}^{ ext{a}}$	$h_1(1415)$	$h_1(1170)$	
$1^{3}P_{1}$	1++	$a_1(1260)$	$K_{1A}{}^{ m a}$	$f_1(1420)$	$f_1(1285)$	<i>a</i> ₁(1420)?
$1^{3}P_{2}$	2^{++}	$a_2(1320)$	$K_2^*(1430)$	$f_2^{\prime}(1525)$	$f_2(1270)$	- 1
$1^{3}D_{1}$	1	ho(1700)	$K^*(1680)^{ m b}$	$\phi(2170)^{ m c}$	$\omega(1650)$	
$1^{1}D_{2}$	2^{-+}	$\pi_2(1670)$	$K_2(1770)^{ m a}$	$\eta_2(1870)$	$\eta_2(1645)$	
$1^{3}D_{3}$	3	$ ho_3(1690)$	$K_3^st(1780)$	$\phi_3(1850)$	$\omega_3(1670)$	
$1^{3}F_{4}$	4^{++}	$a_4(1970)$	$K_4^st(2045)$	$f_4(2300)$	$f_4(2050)$	
$1^{3}G_{5}$	5	$ \rho_5(2350) $	$K_5^*(2380)$			(1.10=)
$2^{1}S_{0}$	0_{-+}	$\pi(1300)$	K(1460)	$\eta(1475)^{ m d}$	$\eta(1295)$	η (1405) ?
$2^{3}S_{1}$	1	ho(1450)	$K^*(1410)^{ m b}$	$\phi(1680)$	$\omega(1420)$	
$2^{3}P_{1}$	1^{++}	$a_1(1640)$	$K_1(1650)$			
$2^{3}P_{2}$		$a_2(1700)$	$K_2^*(1980)$	$f_2(1950)^{ m e}$	$f_2(1640)$	
$2^{1}D_{2}$		$\pi_2(1880)$				
$3^{1}S_{0}$	0-+	$\pi(1800)$	K(1830)		$\eta(1760)$	

- Most of the observed low-lying states can be accommodated by the CQM
- Most of the higher states predicted by the CQM are still missing
- **◆** Deviations from the CQM are evident and need understanding
 - Scalar nonet below 1 GeV, $\sigma(600), \kappa(700), f_0(980), a_0(980).$
 - **Out-numbering of the CQM** multiplets
 - Signals with exotic quantum numbers, e.g. $J^{PC} = 0^{--}, 1^{-+}, 2^{+-}, ...$
 - Special non-resonance structures, e.g. triangle singularity



Ways to produce QCD exotics





















Hadron physics is a natural part of large science facilities.

Success of Quark Model: Hadrons are made of quarks (antiquarks) as QCD color singlet

Hamiltonian in a non-relativistic quark model:

$$H = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{4} m_i + T_i\right) - T_G + \sum_{i < j} V_{ij}(r_{ij})$$

$$T_i = \frac{p_i^2}{2m_i}, \qquad V_{ij}(r_{ij}) = V_{ij}^{\text{OGE}}(r_{ij}) + V_{ij}^{\text{Conf}}(r_{ij}),$$

$$V_{ij}^{\mathrm{Conf}}(r_{ij}) = -\frac{3}{16}(\lambda_i \cdot \lambda_j) \cdot br_{ij},$$

Potential smearing factor

$$V_{ij}^{\text{OGE}} = \frac{\alpha_{ij}}{4} (\lambda_i \cdot \lambda_j) \left\{ \frac{1}{r_{ij}} \left[-\frac{\pi}{2} \cdot \frac{\sigma_{ij}^3 e^{-\sigma_{ij}^2 r_{ij}^2}}{\pi^{3/2}} \cdot \frac{4}{3m_i m_j} (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_i \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_j) \right] \right\}$$

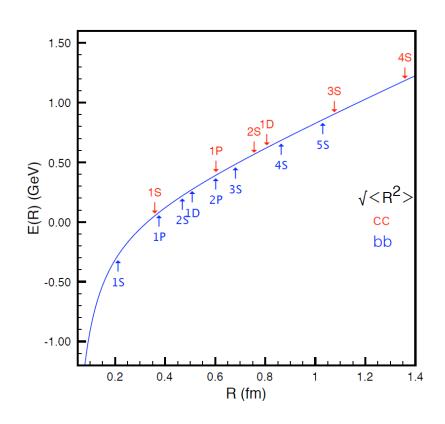
$$V_{ij}^{LS} = -\frac{\alpha_{ij}}{16} \frac{\lambda_i \cdot \lambda_j}{r_{ij}^3} \left(\frac{1}{m_i^2} + \frac{1}{m_j^2} + \frac{4}{m_i m_j} \right) \left\{ \mathbf{L}_{ij} \cdot (\mathbf{S}_i + \mathbf{S}_j) \right\}$$
$$-\frac{\alpha_{ij}}{16} \frac{\lambda_i \cdot \lambda_j}{r_{ij}^3} \left(\frac{1}{m_i^2} - \frac{1}{m_j^2} \right) \left\{ \mathbf{L}_{ij} \cdot (\mathbf{S}_i - \mathbf{S}_j) \right\},$$
$$V_{ij}^T = -\frac{\alpha_{ij}}{4} (\lambda_i \cdot \lambda_j) \frac{1}{m_i m_j r_{ij}^3} \left\{ \frac{3(\mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{r}_{ij})(\mathbf{S}_j \cdot \mathbf{r}_{ij})}{r_{ij}^2} - \mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j \right\}$$

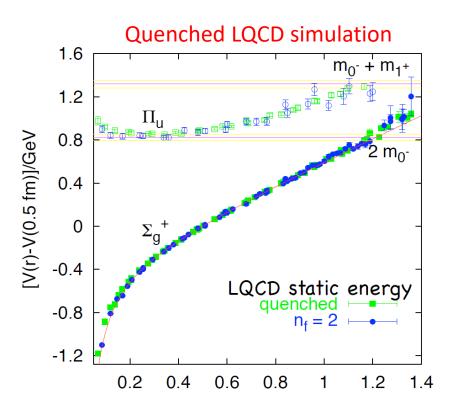
- Cornell potential model
- Godfrey-Isgur model
- A lot of recent developments ...

Coulomb

Spin-spin correl.

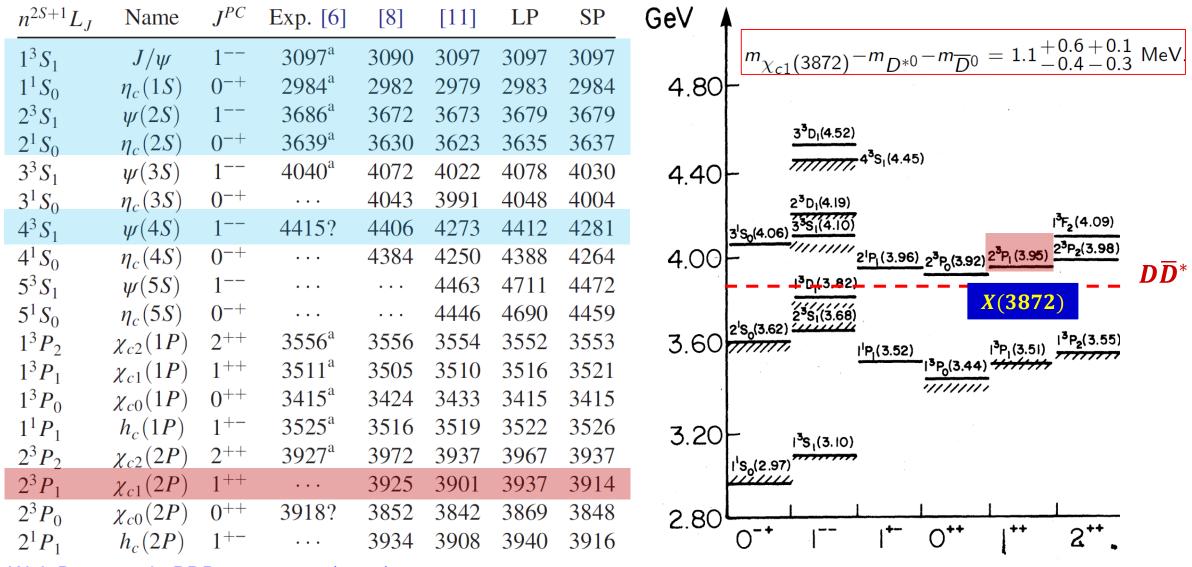
The connection between the quark model and QCD **ONLY** becomes clear in certain circumstances: in the heavy quark limit the soft QCD for quark-antiquark or quark-quark interactions can become much simpler.





G. S. Bali, et al., Phys. Rev. D62, 054503 (2000)M. Foster and C. Michael (UKQCD), Phys. Rev. D59, 094509 (1999)

The QM state $\chi_{c1}(2P)$ is about 60 MeV higher than the physical state X(3872).



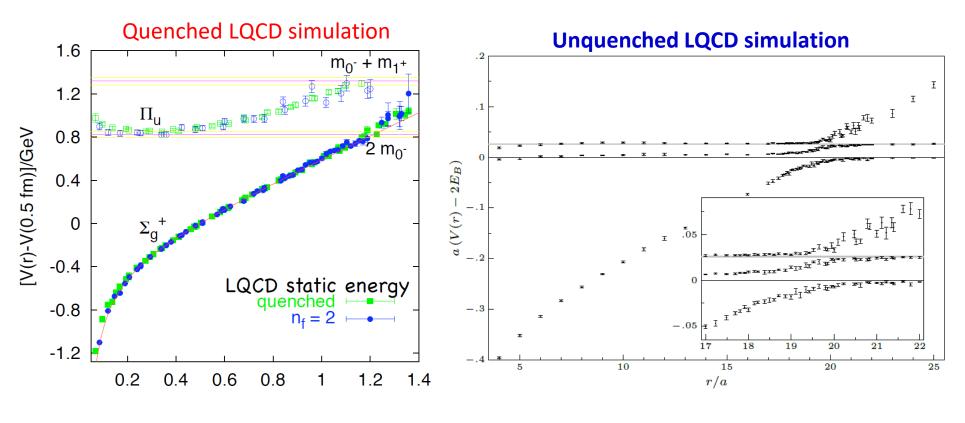
W.J. Deng et al., PRD95, 034026 (2017)

T. Barnes, S. Godfrey, and E. S. Swanson, PRD 72, 054026 (2005).

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Godfrey and Isgur, PRD32, 189 (1985)

Open threshold effects: A missing piece of dynamics in the potential QM



The creation energy for a quark pair with $J^{PC}=0^{++}$: $E\simeq 2m_\pi\simeq 280$ MeV.

The radial excitation energy for nucleon:

 $m_{N(1440)} - m_{N(938)} \simeq 502$ MeV.

The orbital excitation energy for nucleon:

 $m_{N(1535)} - m_{N(938)} \simeq 597$ MeV.

However, the effects of the open channels on the soft QCD potential is also evident!

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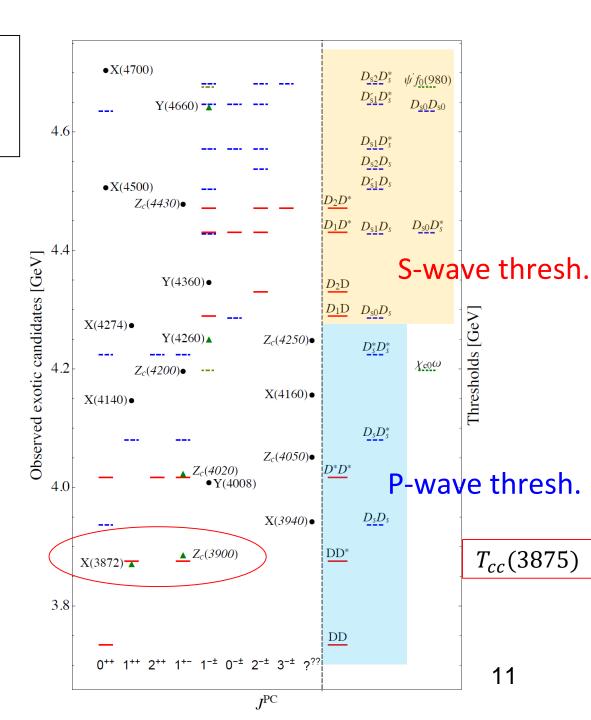
J. Bulava, et al., Phys. Lett. B793, 493 (2019)

The narrow two-body open thresholds:

Impact on the spectrum should have some systematic features.

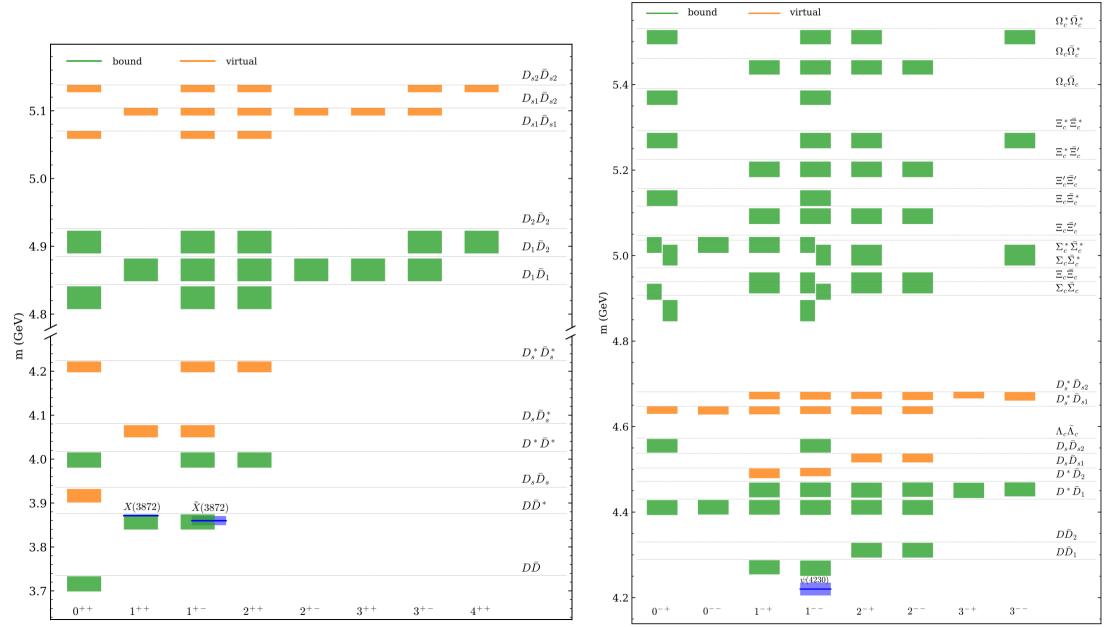
- The number of states would depend on the interactions between the threshold hadrons.
- So far, the S-wave phenomena is evident.
- Model-building is required.

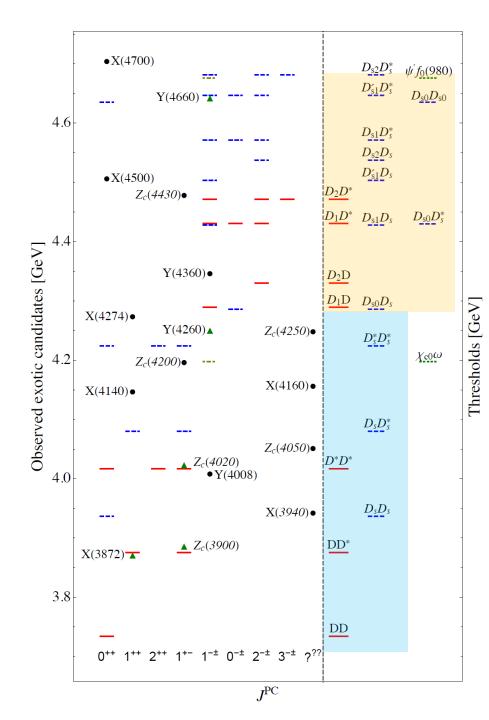
F.-K. Guo, C. Hanhart, U.-G. Meissner, Q. Wang, Q. Zhao, B.-S. Zou, Rev. Mod. Phys. 90, 015004 (2018)



Implementation of EFT with heavy quark symmetry (HQS) and heavy quark spin symmetry (HQSS)

X.-K. Dong, F.-K. Guo, B.-S. Zou, Progr. Phys. 41 (2021) 65 [arXiv:2101.01021]





S wave thresholds and effects on the lineshapes

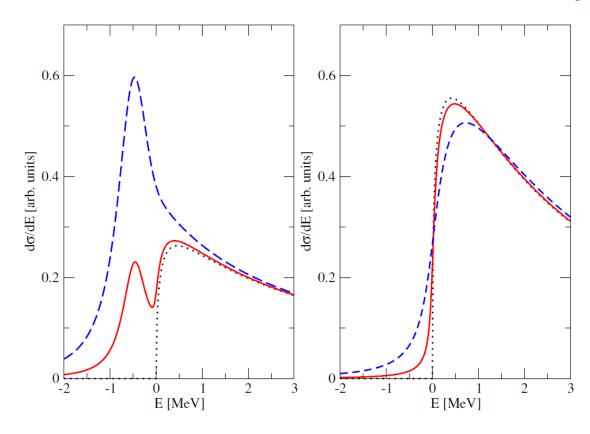


FIG. 10 Line shapes that emerge for a bound state (left panel) and for a virtual state (right panel) once one of the constituents is unstable. The dotted, solid and dashed line show the results for $\Gamma=0,0.1$ and 1 MeV, respectively. The other parameters of the calculation are given in Eq. (36).

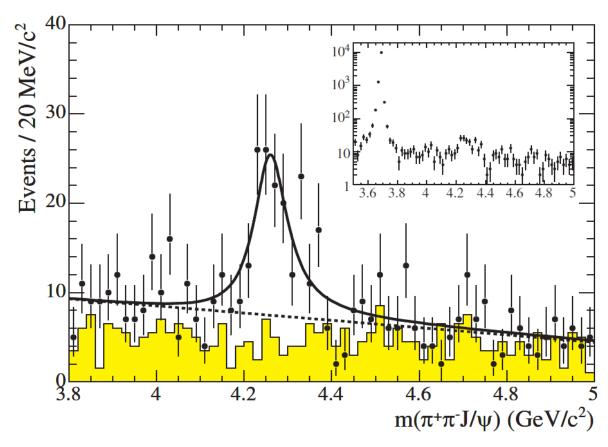
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2. Vector charmonia probed in e^+e^- annihilations

---The property of the vector charmonium Y(4260) in different scenarios

1) Observations of Y(4260)

First evidence from BaBar in $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma_{ISR} J/\psi \pi^+\pi^-$ and quickly confirmed by CLEO-c and Belle

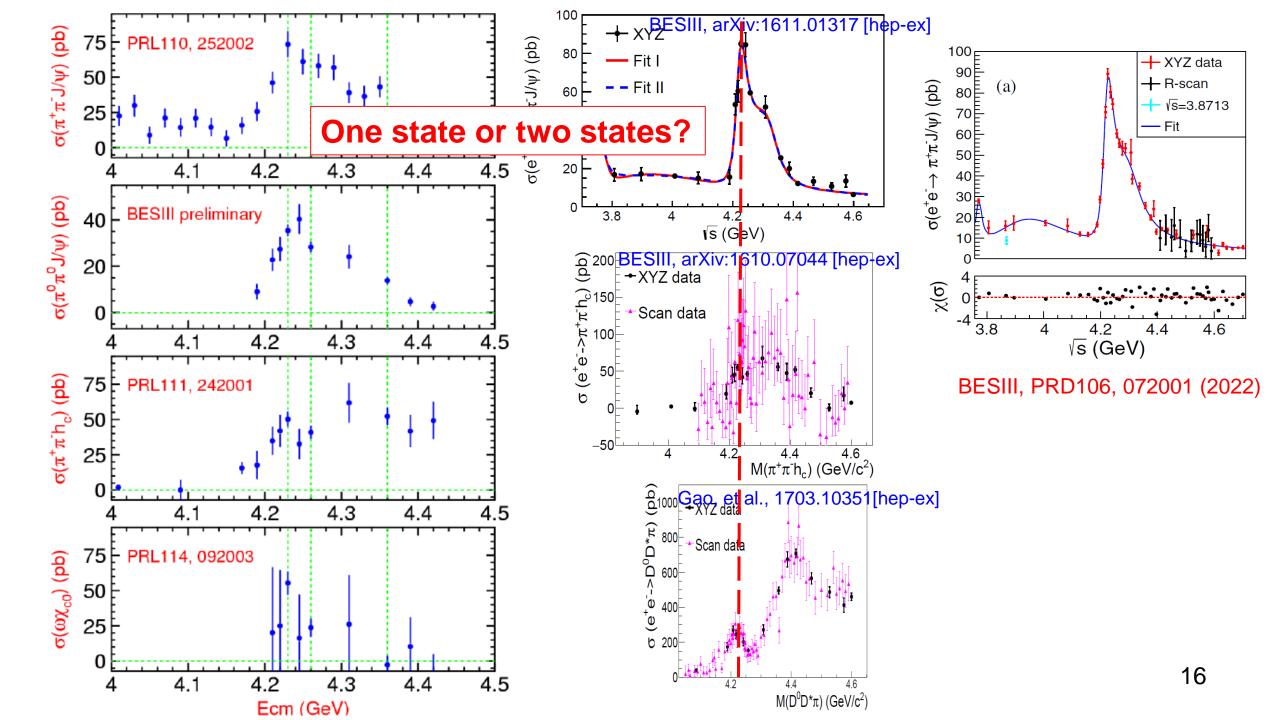


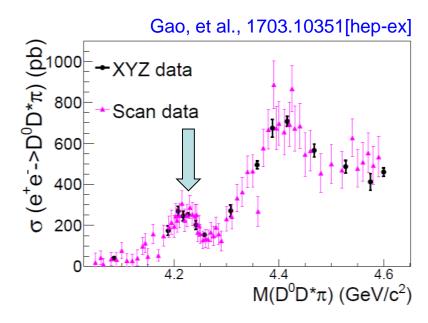
$$4259 \pm 8(\text{stat})^{+2}_{-6}(\text{syst}) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

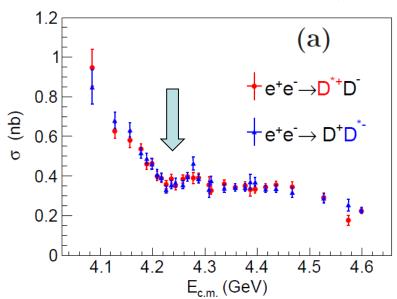
 $88 \pm 23(\text{stat})^{+6}_{-4}(\text{syst}) \text{ MeV}/c^2$

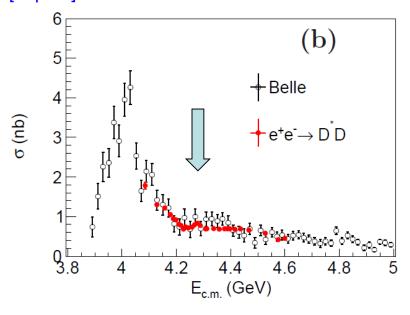
BaBar, *Phys.Rev.Lett.* 95 (2005) 142001

^{*} Particle Data Group renames Y(4260) as $\psi(4230)$



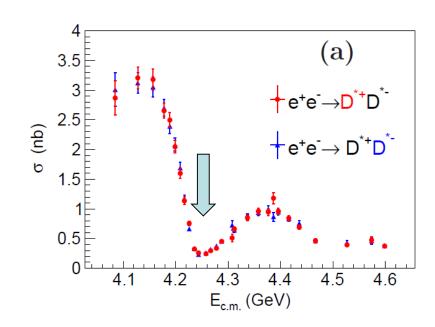


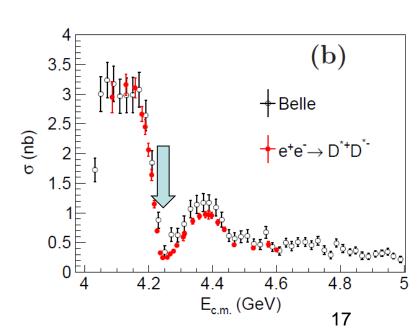




No apparent bump structure appears in the two-body open charm decays!

$$\sigma(D^*\overline{D} + c.c.) \gg \sigma(D^*\overline{D}^*)$$
 at 4.23 GeV





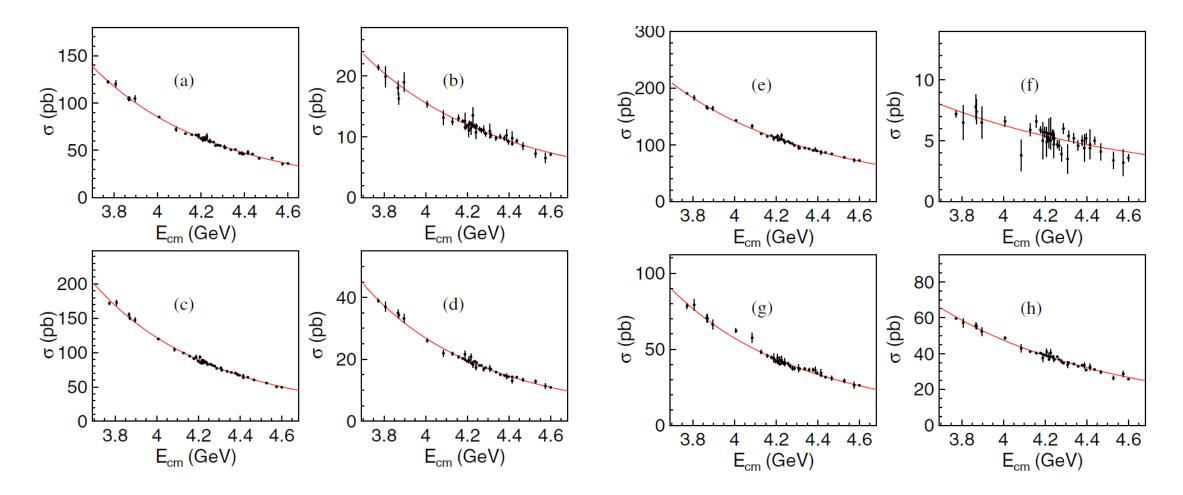
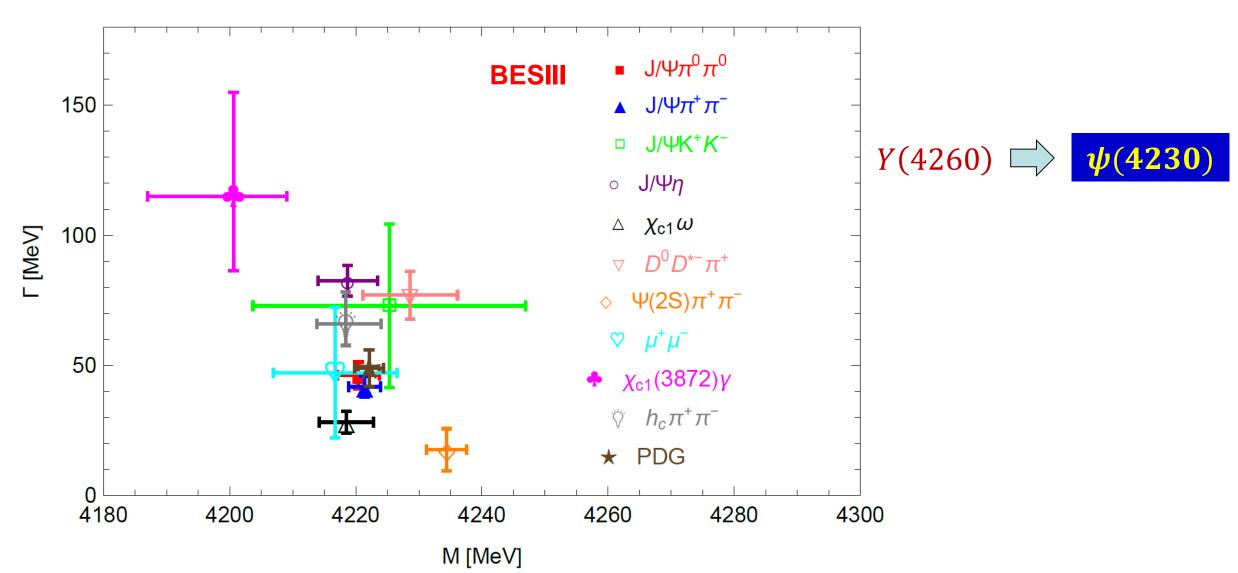


FIG. 3. Fits to dressed cross sections for (a) $e^+e^- \rightarrow K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-$, (b) $e^+e^- \rightarrow K^+K^-K^+K^-$, (c) $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$, (d) $e^+e^- \rightarrow p\bar{p}\pi^+\pi^-$, (e) $e^+e^- \rightarrow K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$, (f) $e^+e^- \rightarrow K^+K^-K^+K^-\pi^0$, (g) $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$ and (h) $e^+e^- \rightarrow p\bar{p}\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$ only considering contribution from continuum process. Points with error bars show the measured dressed cross sections. The red lines show the fit results.

No explicit experimental evidence for Y(4260) is seen in the pure light-quark final states.

Phys.Rev.D 104 (2021) 11, 112009;
 2109.12751 [hep-ex]

Resonance parameters extracted around 4.26 GeV in different channels



A brief summary of the experimental status and a list of concerns:

- 1) Complicated structures in the vicinity of 4.22~4.26 GeV.
- 2) Relatively narrow structure for the lower peak if fitted by Breit-Wigner.
- 3) The pion angular distribution recoiling $Z_c(3900)$ in $Y(4260) \rightarrow \overline{D}D^*\pi$ indicates non-S-wave contributions.
- 4) The open-charm cross section seems to be larger than those for the hidden charm channel.
- 5) The signal of Y(4260) in $e^+e^- \rightarrow D^*\overline{D}^*$ needs to be clarified.
- 6) The lepton decay width will depend on how the total width is saturated.
- 7) The Breit-Wigner width may not be the pole width.

8)						
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Reac. channel	Total cross section (pb)
$\overline{D}D^*\pi + c.c.$	200~300
$J/\psi\pi^+\pi^-$	~80
$h_c\pi^+\pi^-$	~50
$\omega\chi_{c0}$	~50
$J/\psi\eta$	50~60
$J/\psi\eta'$	2~4
$\psi(2S)\pi^+\pi^-$	~20
$J/\psi K^+K^-$	~4
$\gamma \chi_{c1,2}$	4~5
$\pi^0 Z_c^0(3900)$	6~7

2) Possible interpretations and reminder of some crucial issues

- **♦** Tetraquark
- Hybrid
- **♦** Hadro-quarkonium
- **◆** Hadronic molecule
- **◆ Non-resonance structure**
- Many papers on the properties of Y(4260), e.g. see recent reviews and reference therein:
- H.-X. Chen, W. Chen, X. Liu and S.-L. Zhu, **Phys. Rept.** 639, 1 (2016)
- F.K. Guo, C. Hanhart, U.-G. Meissner, Q. Wang, Q. Zhao, B.-S. Zou, Rev. Mod. Phys. 90, 015004 (2018)
- A. Esposito, A. Pilloni and A.D. Polosa, Phys. Rept. 668, 1 (2017)
- Q. Wang and Q. Zhao, arXiv:2508.05304v1 [hep-ph], to appear in Chinese Phys. Lett.

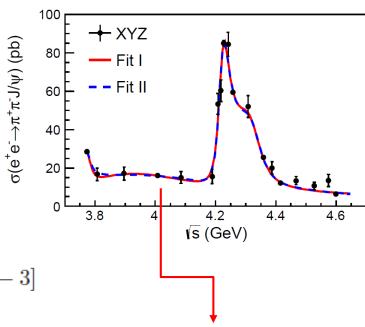
Predictions from the compact tetraquark scenario

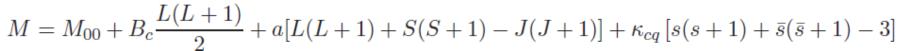
The mass of a tetraquark is given by

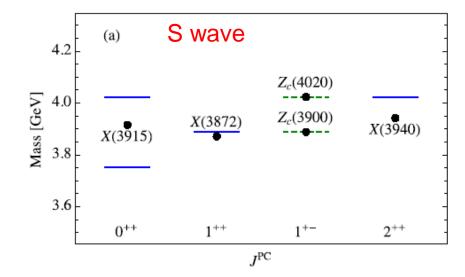
$$M = M_{00} + B_c \frac{L^2}{2} - 2aL \cdot S + 2\kappa_{cq} \left[\left(s_q \cdot s_c + \left(s_{\bar{q}} \cdot s_{\bar{c}} \right) \right) \right]$$

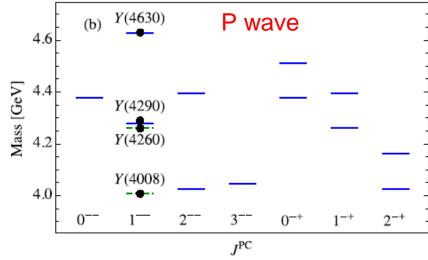
For a state with given **J**, the mass can be estimated:

$$[qq]$$
 $[\bar{q}\bar{q}]$





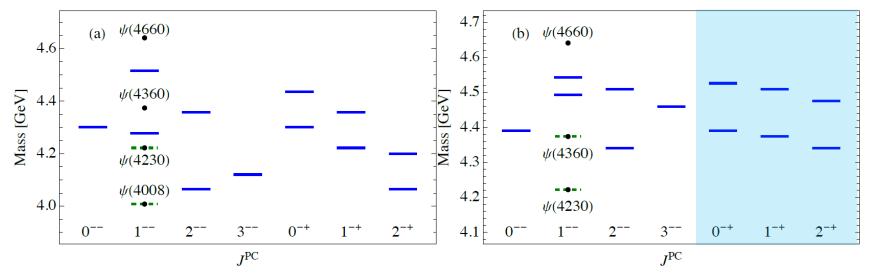




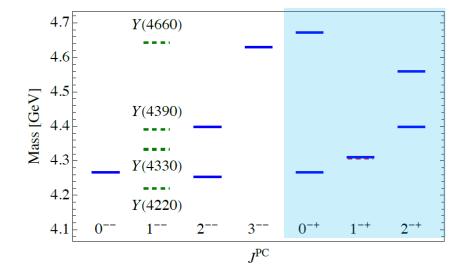
Y(4008) needs confirmation!

- **Extremely rich spectrum is predicted!**
- L. Maiani et al. **PRD 72**, 031502(R) (2005)
- L. Maiani et al. **PRD 89**, 114010 (2014)
- M. Cleven, F.- K. Guo, C. Hanhart, Q. Wang and Q. Zhao, **PRD 92**, 014005 (2015);
- Q. Wang, **PRD 89**, 114013 (2014)

The updated *P*-wave tetraquark spectroscopy where the left panel is the spectroscopy with $\psi(4008)$ and $\psi(4230)$ as inputs, and the right one is the spectroscopy with $\psi(4230)$ and $\psi(4360)$ as inputs.



The *P*-wave diquark-antidiquark tetraquark supermultiplet with tensor force.



- Significant changes to the energy levels with the tensor force included.
- However, the description of the vector charmonium spectrum has not been improved.
- Access to exotic quantum numbers are allowed, e.g.
 0⁻⁻ and 1⁻⁺.

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Predictions from the hybrid scenario

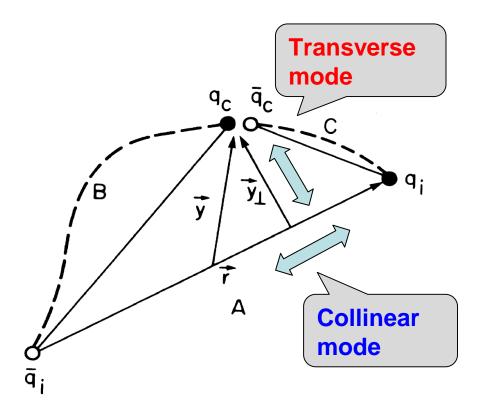
- Lowest gluon fields generate adiabatic potential on which the quark motion can be described.
- The flux tube may be excited on which the quark motion in the adiabatic potential of such excited gluon field configurations will give access to hybrid states.
- The decays of both conventional and exotic hadrons can be well described by the flux tube breaking mechanism.

Flux tube model Hamiltonian:

$$H = H_{\text{quarks}} + H_{\text{flux tube}},$$

$$H_{\text{quarks}} = -\frac{1}{2m_q} \vec{\nabla}_q^2 - \frac{1}{2m_{\bar{q}}} \vec{\nabla}_{\bar{q}}^2 + V_{q\bar{q}},$$

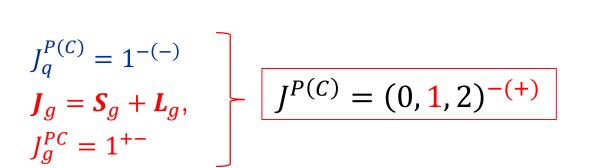
$$H_{\text{fluxtube}} = b_0 R + \sum_{n} \left[\frac{p_n^2}{2b_0 a} + \frac{b_0}{2a} (y_n - y_{n+1})^2 \right]$$



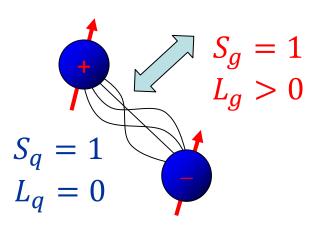
Lowest hybrid in the flux-tube model

Collinear mode

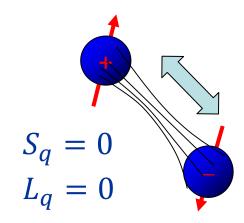
Transverse mode

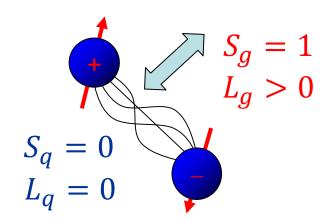


$$S_q = 1$$
 $L_q = 0$



$$J_q^{P(C)} = 0^{-(+)}$$
 $J_g = S_g + L_g$,
 $J_g^{PC} = 1^{+-}$
 $J_g^{PC} = 1^{+-}$





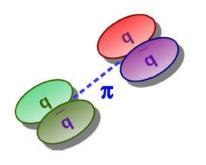
Predictions from the hybrid scenario

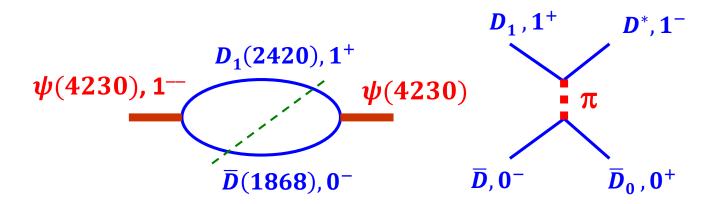
- 1. In the hybrid picture the di-lepton coupling of $\psi(4230)$ is highly suppressed.
- 2. As the ground state vector charmonium hybrid, its decays into a pair of ground-state *S*-wave charmed mesons of the same spatial size will be suppressed (Broken down due to HQS breaking?)
- 3. The relative partial decay rates of $\psi(4230)$ to the *S*-wave open charmed pair is predicted to be $\Gamma(\psi(4230) \to D \, \overline{D}) : \Gamma(\psi(4230) \to D^* \, \overline{D} + c.c.) : \Gamma(\psi(4230) \to D^* \, \overline{D}^*) = 1 : 0 : 3$, where $\psi(4230) \to D^* \, \overline{D} + c.c.$ is forbidden (Seem to be contradicting with the exp. observation: $\sigma(D^* \overline{D} + c.c.) \gg \sigma(D^* \overline{D}^*)$ at 4.23 GeV).
- 4.

- S. L. Zhu, Phys. Lett. B 625, 212 (2005) [arXiv:hep-ph/0507025 [hep-ph]].
- F. E. Close and P. R. Page, Phys. Lett. B 628, 215-222 (2005) [arXiv:hep-ph/0507199 [hep-ph]].
- E. Kou and O. Pene, Phys. Lett. B 631, 164-169 (2005) [arXiv:hep-ph/0507119 [hep-ph]].
- E. Braaten and R. Bruschini, Phys. Rev. D 109, no.9, 094051 (2024)

Predictions from the hadronic molecule scenario

• Hadronic molecule made of $\overline{D}D_1(2420) + c.c.$ with coupled channel effects.





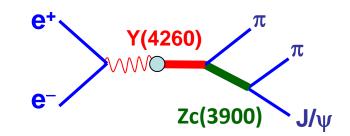
Depending on the binding mechanism, the isoscalar and isovector may not bind simultaneously:

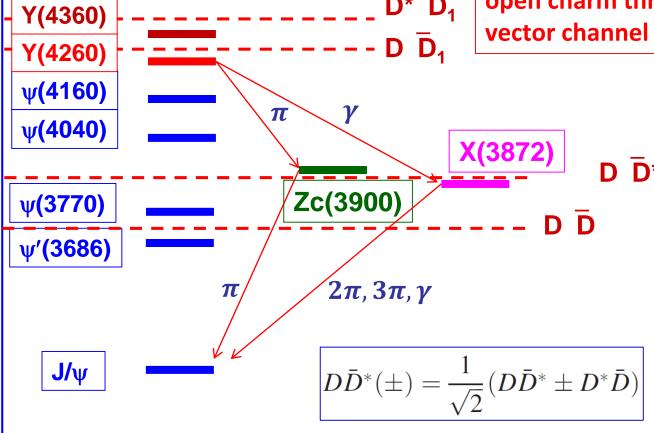
$$\langle I, I_3 | \vec{\tau}_{(1)} \cdot \vec{\tau}_{(2)} | I, I_3 \rangle = 2 \left[I(I+1) - 3/2 \right] = \begin{cases} -3 & I = 0 \\ 1 & I = 1 \end{cases}$$

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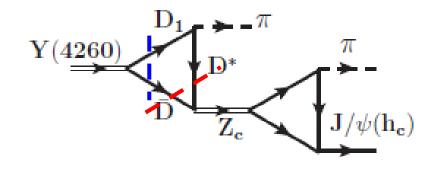
Correlations between Y(4260) and Zc(3900)/X(3872)







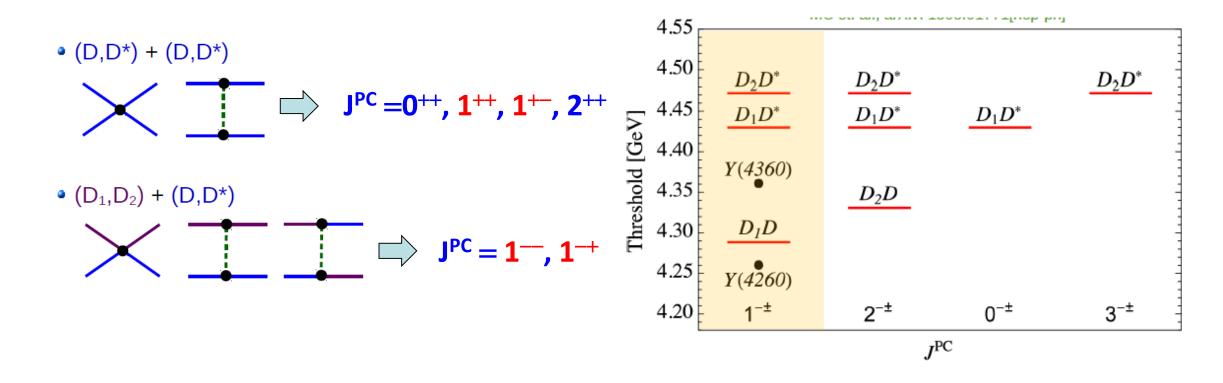
 The production of Zc(3900) is strongly correlated with Y(4260) and enhanced by the triangle singularity kinematics.



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L. von Detten, V. Baru, C. Hanhart, Q. Wang, D. Winney and QZ., PRD 109, 116002 (2024)

Partners based on the heavy quark spin symmetry (HQSS)



Experimental search for the 1⁻⁺ state in $e^+e^- \to \gamma \ \tilde{\psi}(1^{-+}) \to \gamma \overline{D} D^*\pi$ could be interesting.

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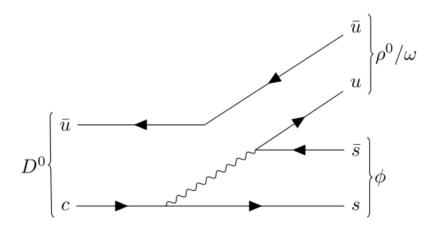
3. Non-perturbative mechanism probed in heavy hadron hadronic weak decays

Y. Cao, Y. Cheng and Q. Zhao, PRD 109, 073002 (2024)

Polarization puzzles with $D^0 \to \phi \rho^0$ and $\phi \omega$

At the leading order, one would expect $Br(D^0 \to \phi \rho^0) \simeq Br(D^0 \to \phi \omega)$

$$u\bar{u} = \frac{1}{2}(u\bar{u} + d\bar{d}) + \frac{1}{2}(u\bar{u} - d\bar{d}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\omega + \rho^0)$$



However, significant differences arise from the experimental measurements:

(I) Negligibly small longitudinal polarization with the $\phi\omega$ channel:

$$f_L = 0.00 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.08$$

which corresponds to $f_L < 0.24$ at 95% C.L.

- (II) Dominance of the S-wave in $D^0 \to \phi \rho^0$ suggests relatively large longitudinal pola. fraction f_L .
- (III) Difference in b.r.s:

$$Br^{exp}(D^0 \to \phi \rho^0) = (1.56 \pm 0.13) \times 10^{-3}$$

 $Br^{exp}(D^0 \to \phi \omega) \simeq (0.65 \pm 0.10) \times 10^{-3}$

There must be mechanisms beyond the leading tree-level transitions!

in unit of $(\times 10^{-3})$

	\mathbf{S}	$1.40 \pm 0.12[21]$
	P	$0.08 \pm 0.04[21]$
ϕho^0	D	$0.08 \pm 0.03[21]$
$\varphi \rho$	${f T}$	-
	${ m L}$	-
	Total	$1.56 \pm 0.13[21]$
	Τ	$0.65 \pm 0.10[20]$
$\phi \omega$	\mathbf{L}	$\sim 0 \ [20]$
	Total	$0.65 \pm 0.10[20]$
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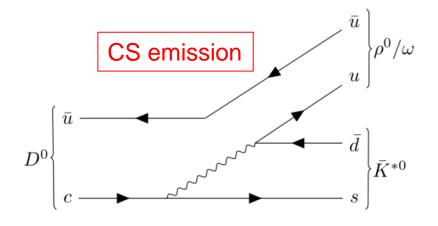
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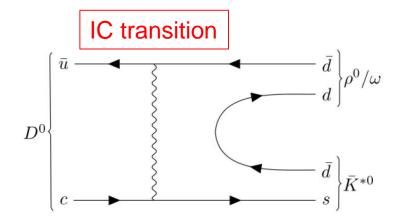
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Parametrizing the short-distance transition mechanisms

• Cabibbo-favored (CF) decays ($\sim V_{cs}V_{ud}$) via color suppressed transitions:

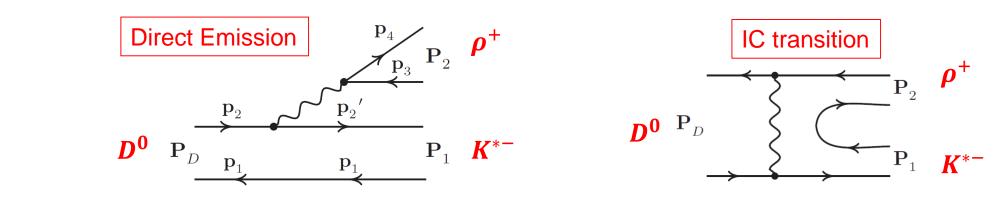
$$u\bar{u} = \frac{1}{2}(u\bar{u} + d\bar{d}) + \frac{1}{2}(u\bar{u} - d\bar{d}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\omega + \rho^{0})$$
$$d\bar{d} = \frac{1}{2}(u\bar{u} + d\bar{d}) - \frac{1}{2}(u\bar{u} - d\bar{d}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\omega - \rho^{0})$$





B.R. differences can be possibly accounted for by the interferences between the color suppressed emission (CS) and internal conversion (IC) transitions.

The CF decay of $D^0 \to K^{*-}\rho^+$ with the direct W emission (DE) has not been precisely measured in experiment!



$$BR(D^0 \to K^{*-}\rho^+) = (6.5 \pm 2.5) \% \sim 5 \times BR(D^0 \to K^{*0}\rho^0)$$

H. Albrecht et al., New results on D0 decays,

Z. Phys. C56, 7 (1992)

Decay channels	_
$K^{*-}\rho^+$	$[g_{\mathrm{DE}}^{(\mathrm{P})} + e^{i\theta}g_{\mathrm{IC}(s\bar{d})}^{(\mathrm{P})}]V_{cs}V_{ud}$
$\bar{K}^{*0}\rho^0$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}[g_{\rm CS}^{(\rm P)} - e^{i\theta}g_{{\rm IC}(s\bar{d})}^{(\rm P)}]V_{cs}V_{ud}$
$\bar{K}^{*0}\omega$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[g_{\text{CS}}^{(\text{P})} + e^{i\theta} g_{\text{IC}(s\bar{d})}^{(\text{P})} \right] V_{cs} V_{ud}$

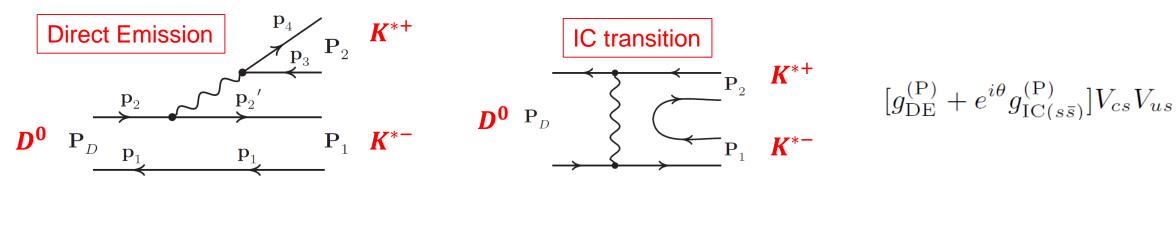
- The CF decay amplitudes can be parametrized out by topological diagrams for the DE, CS, and IC transitions.
- θ is a trivial phase angle which prefers $\theta = 180^{\circ}$.

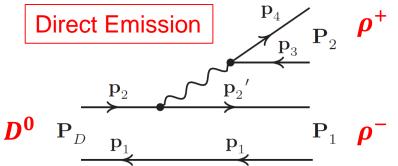
Topological diagram approach (TDA):

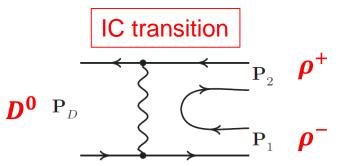
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• Singly Cabibbo suppressed (SCS) decays ($\sim V_{cs}V_{us}/V_{cd}V_{ud}$):

Transition amplitude:



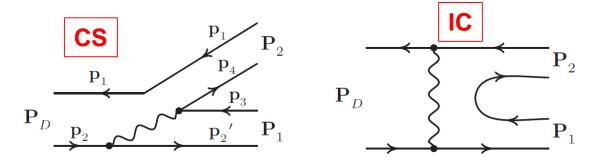




$$[g_{\mathrm{DE}}^{(\mathrm{P})} + e^{i\theta}g_{\mathrm{IC}(d\bar{d})}^{(\mathrm{P})}]\hat{V}_{cd}\hat{V}_{ud}$$

The SCS decays of $D^0 \to K^{*+}K^{*-}$ and $\rho^+\rho^-$, which is the only one involving the dominant DE transitions among the SCS decays, have NOT been measured in experiment!

The neutral decay channels involves the CS emissions and IC transitions:



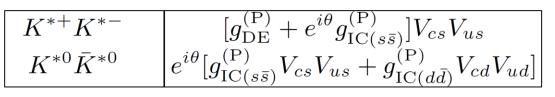
Decay channels	Amplitudes	
K*+K*-	$[g_{\mathrm{DE}}^{(\mathrm{P})} + e^{i\theta}g_{\mathrm{IC}(s\bar{s})}^{(\mathrm{P})}]V_{cs}V_{us}$	DE+IC
$K^{*0}\bar{K}^{*0}$	$e^{i\theta} \left[g_{\text{IC}(s\bar{s})}^{(P)} V_{cs} V_{us} + g_{\text{IC}(d\bar{d})}^{(P)} V_{cd} V_{ud} \right]$	
$\rho^+ \rho^-$	$[g_{\mathrm{DE}}^{(\mathrm{P})} + e^{i\theta}g_{\mathrm{IC}(d\bar{d})}^{(\mathrm{P})}]V_{cd}V_{ud}$	
$ ho^0 ho^0$	$\frac{1}{2} \left[-g_{\rm CS}^{(P)} + e^{i\theta} g_{{\rm IC}(d\bar{d})}^{(P)'} \right] V_{cd} V_{ud}$	CS+IC
$\omega\omega$	$\frac{1}{2}\left[g_{\mathrm{CS}}^{(\mathrm{P})} + e^{i\theta}g_{\mathrm{IC}(d\bar{d})}^{(\mathrm{P})}\right]V_{cd}V_{ud}$	00110
$ ho^0 \omega$	$-\frac{1}{2}e^{i\theta}g_{\mathrm{IC}(d\bar{d})}^{(\mathrm{P})}V_{cd}V_{ud}$	IC
ϕho^0	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}g_{\mathrm{CS}}^{(\mathrm{P})}V_{cs}V_{us}$	
$\phi\omega$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}g_{\mathrm{CS}}^{(\mathrm{P})}V_{cs}V_{us}$	CS

	\mathbf{s}	$0.50 \pm 0.03[21]$	
	P	$0.27 \pm 0.02[21]$	
$K^{*0}\bar{K}^{*0}$	D	$0.11 \pm 0.01[21]$	
Λ Λ	${ m T}$	-	
	L	-	
	Total	$0.88 \pm 0.04[21]$	
	Т	-	
$\rho^+ \rho^-$	L	-	
	Total	-	
	S	$0.18 \pm 0.13[21]$	
	P	$0.53 \pm 0.13[21]$	
$ ho^0 ho^0$	D	$0.62 \pm 0.30[21]$	
ρρ	Т	$0.56 \pm 0.07[19]$	
	L	$1.27 \pm 0.10[19]$	
	Total	$1.85 \pm 0.13[19]$	
	10001	$1.33 \pm 0.35[21]$	
	Т	-	
$\omega\omega$	L	-	
	Total	-	
_	Т	-	
$ ho^0\omega$	L	-	
	Total	-	
	\mathbf{S}	$1.40 \pm 0.12[21]$	
	P	$0.08 \pm 0.04[21]$	
ϕho^0	D	$0.08 \pm 0.03[21]$	
47	Т	-	
	L	-	
	Total	$1.56 \pm 0.13[21]$	
	Т	$0.65 \pm 0.10[20]$	
$\phi \omega$	L	$\sim 0 \ [20]$	
	Total	$0.65 \pm 0.10[20]$	

in unit of $(\times 10^{-3})$

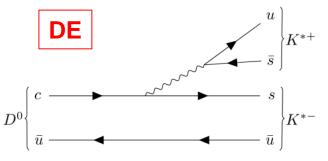
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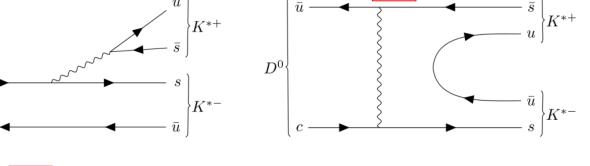
Notice that there exist significant differences between the $K^{*+}K^{*-}$ and $K^{*0}\overline{K}^{*0}$ channels.

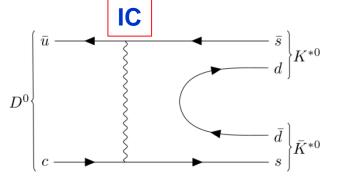


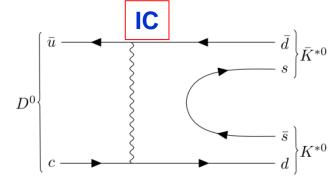


$$BR(D^0 \to K^{*+}K^{*-}) \gg BR(D^0 \to K^{*0}\overline{K}^{*0})$$





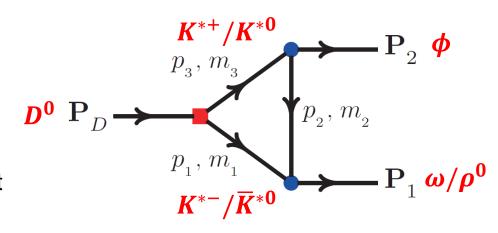




Long distance transition mechanism due to the $K^*\overline{K}^*$ final-state interactions (FSIs) should be considered:

$$2m_{K^*} \sim m_\phi + m_\rho \sim m_\phi + m_\omega$$

Moreover, FSIs involving other intermediate meson rescatterings can also contribute. A systematic treatment is required.

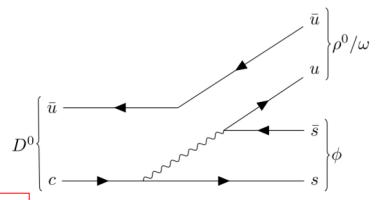


3. Tree-level short-distance transitions vs. long-distance final state interactions

Taking $D^0 \to \phi \rho^0/\phi \omega$ as an example, the tree-level amplitude reads:

$$i\mathcal{M}_{(P)}(D^0 \to \phi \rho^0/\phi \omega)$$

$$= \langle \phi \rho^0/\phi \omega | \phi(u\bar{u}) \rangle \langle \phi(u\bar{u}) | H_{W(P)}^{(CS)} | D_0 \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} g_{CS}^{(P)} V_{cs} V_{us}$$



To be calculated explicitly in the NRCQM

The amplitude due to the intermediate $K^{*+}K^{*-}$ rescatterings can be written as:

$$i\mathcal{M}_{(\mathrm{P})\phi\rho^0}^{loop} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}g_{\mathrm{DE}}^{(\mathrm{P})}V_{cs}V_{us}\sum_{(\mathbb{K})}\tilde{\mathcal{I}}[(\mathrm{P});K^{*+},K^{*-},(\mathbb{K})]$$

$$i\mathcal{M}_{(\mathrm{P})\phi\omega}^{loop} = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}g_{\mathrm{DE}}^{(\mathrm{P})} + e^{i\delta}g_{\mathrm{IC}(s\bar{s})}^{(\mathrm{P})}\right)V_{cs}V_{us}$$

$$\times \sum_{(\mathbb{K})}\tilde{\mathcal{I}}[(\mathrm{P});K^{*+},K^{*-},(\mathbb{K})],$$

$$\mathbf{p}_{0} \mathbf{p}_{0}$$
 either "PC" or "PV" Different strange particle exchanges
$$\mathbf{p}_{1},m_{1}$$

$$\mathbf{p}_{2},m_{2}$$

$$\mathbf{p}_{1},m_{1}$$

$$\mathbf{p}_{2},m_{2}$$

"P" can be either "PC" or "PV" for parity-conserving or parityviolating amplitudes.

in $K^{*+}K^{*-} \rightarrow \phi \rho^0/\phi \omega$.

Numerical results in comparison with the data

Leading processes with the DE trans.

CF trans. with CS

SCS trans. with CS

in unit of $(\times 10^{-3})$

Process		Experiments	b.r.s	b.r.s
Frocess		Experiments	$with \ \mathrm{FSIs}$	without FSIs
	Т	-	$57.92^{+0.96}_{-0.59}$	47.59
$K^{*-}\rho^+$	L	-	$7.88^{+0.43}_{-0.43}$	4.58
	Total	$65.0 \pm 25.0[31]$	$65.80^{+1.39}_{-1.02}$	52.17
	Τ	$18.0 \pm 6.0[18]$	$10.95^{+1.28}_{-1.55}$	12.36
$\bar{K}^{*0}\rho^0$	L	-	$4.34_{-1.09}^{+1.09}$	5.31
	Total	$15.9 \pm 3.5[18]$	$15.29^{+2.37}_{-2.64}$	17.68
	10001	$15.15 \pm 0.75 \; [32]$		17.00
	${ m T}$	-	$6.85^{+0.36}_{-0.51}$	7.52
$\bar{K}^{*0}\omega$	L	-	$2.62^{+0.09}_{-0.08}$	2.76
	Total	$11.0 \pm 5.0[31]$	$9.48^{+0.45}_{-0.59}$	10.28
	T	-	$6.22^{+0.26}_{-0.37}$	4.02
$K^{*+}K^{*-}$	L	-	$2.93^{+0.09}_{-0.16}$	1.83
	Total	-	$9.15^{+0.35}_{-0.53}$	5.86
	\mathbf{S}	$0.50 \pm 0.03[21]$	$0.56^{+0.25}_{-0.15}$	0.92
	P	$0.27 \pm 0.02[21]$	$0.27^{+0.006}_{-0.009}$	0.30
$K^{*0}\bar{K}^{*0}$	D	$0.11 \pm 0.01[21]$	$0.01^{+0.004}_{-0.003}$	0.006
17 17	Τ	-	$0.58^{+0.13}_{-0.08}$	0.84
	L	-	$0.27^{+0.10}_{-0.07}$	0.39
	Total	$0.88 \pm 0.04[21]$	$0.84^{+0.24}_{-0.15}$	1.23

Decay channels	Amplitudes
$K^{*-}\rho^+$	$[g_{\mathrm{DE}}^{(\mathrm{P})} + e^{i\theta}g_{\mathrm{IC}(s\bar{d})}^{(\mathrm{P})}]V_{cs}V_{ud}$
$\bar{K}^{*0}\rho^0$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[g_{\text{CS}}^{(\text{P})} - e^{i\theta} g_{\text{IC}(s\bar{d})}^{(\text{P})} \right] V_{cs} V_{ud}$
$ar{K}^{*0}\omega$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[g_{\text{CS}}^{(\text{P})} + e^{i\theta} g_{\text{IC}(s\bar{d})}^{(\text{P})} \right] V_{cs} V_{ud}$
$K^{*+}K^{*-}$	$[g_{\mathrm{DE}}^{(\mathrm{P})} + e^{i\theta}g_{\mathrm{IC}(s\bar{s})}^{(\mathrm{P})}]V_{cs}V_{us}$
$K^{*0}\bar{K}^{*0}$	$\left e^{i\theta} \left[g_{\text{IC}(s\bar{s})}^{(P)} V_{cs} V_{us} + g_{\text{IC}(d\bar{d})}^{(P)} V_{cd} V_{ud} \right] \right $

- The long-distance FSIs are crucial and evident.
- The difference between $\overline{K}^{*0}\rho^0$ and $\overline{K}^{*0}\omega$ indicates the non-negligible contributions from the IC transitions. About 10% corrections from the long-distance FSIs are expected.

in unit of $(\times 10^{-3})$

Process		Ermonimonto	b.r.s	b.r.s
Process		Experiments	with FSIs	without FSIs
	Т	-	$4.19_{-0.31}^{+0.31}$	5.44
$\rho^+\rho^-$	L	-	$0.91^{+0.09}_{-0.04}$	1.36
	Total	-	$5.10_{-0.35}^{+0.40}$	6.81
	S	$0.18 \pm 0.13[21]$	$0.38^{+0.42}_{-0.26}$	0.49
	P	$0.53 \pm 0.13[21]$	$0.42^{+0.06}_{-0.06}$	0.23
$ ho^0 ho^0$	D	$0.62 \pm 0.30[21]$	$0.04_{-0.02}^{+0.02}$	0.01
ρρ	${ m T}$	$0.56 \pm 0.07[19]$	$0.67^{+0.28}_{-0.20}$	0.48
	L	$1.27 \pm 0.10[19]$	$0.18^{+0.22}_{-0.14}$	0.25
	Total	$1.85 \pm 0.13[19]$	$0.85^{+0.49}_{-0.34}$	0.73
	Total	$1.33 \pm 0.35[21]$		0.13
	T	-	$0.050^{+0.005}_{-0.004}$	0.019
$\omega\omega$	L	-	$0.028^{+0.0001}_{-0.002}$	0.00065
			$0.078_{-0.006}^{+0.002}$	0.020
	T -		$1.03^{+0.01}_{-0.03}$	0.84
$ ho^0\omega$	L	-	$0.09_{-0.004}^{+0.009}$	0.13
	Total	-	$1.11^{+0.013}_{-0.024}$	0.97
	\mathbf{s}	$1.40 \pm 0.12[21]$	$1.41^{+0.16}_{-0.14}$	0.48
	P	$0.08 \pm 0.04[21]$	$0.07^{+0.03}_{-0.02}$	0.05
ϕho^0	D	$0.08 \pm 0.03[21]$	$0.003^{+0.001}_{-0.001}$	~ 0
ΨΡ	${ m T}$	-	$1.01_{-0.12}^{+0.14}$	0.37
	L	-	$0.48^{+0.05}_{-0.04}$	0.16
	Total	$1.56 \pm 0.13[21]$	$1.48^{+0.19}_{-0.17}$	0.53
	Т	$0.65 \pm 0.10[20]$	$0.64^{+0.12}_{-0.10}$	0.34
$\phi \omega$	L	$\sim 0 \ [20]$	$0.03^{+0.001}_{-0.002}$	0.15
	Total	$0.65 \pm 0.10[20]$	$0.67^{+0.12}_{-0.10}$	0.49

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$\rho^+\rho^-$	$[g_{\mathrm{DE}}^{(\mathrm{P})} + e^{i\theta}g_{\mathrm{IC}(d\bar{d})}^{(\mathrm{P})}]V_{cd}V_{ud}$
$ ho^0 ho^0$	$\frac{1}{2}[-g_{\rm CS}^{\rm (P)} + e^{i\theta}g_{{\rm IC}(d\bar{d})}^{\rm (P)}]V_{cd}V_{ud}$
$\omega\omega$	$\frac{1}{2}[g_{\text{CS}}^{(\text{P})} + e^{i\theta}g_{\text{IC}(d\bar{d})}^{(\text{P})}]V_{cd}V_{ud}$
$ ho^0 \omega$	$-\frac{1}{2}e^{i\theta}g_{\mathrm{IC}(d\bar{d})}^{(\mathrm{P})}V_{cd}V_{ud}$
ϕho^0	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}g_{\mathrm{CS}}^{(\mathrm{P})}V_{cs}V_{us}$
$\phi \omega$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}g_{\mathrm{CS}}^{(\mathrm{P})}V_{cs}V_{us}$

- Without the long-distance FSI contributions it is impossible to account for the difference between the $\phi \rho^0$ and $\phi \omega$ decays.
- The suppression of the $\omega\omega$ channel indicates the relative strength between the CS and IC transitions.
- The $\rho^0\omega$ channel is dominantly driven by the IC transition for which the experimental measurement will provide a direct constraint on this mechanism.

4. Summary

- The limitation of QM is unsurprising.
- Rich spectra can arise from the multiquark scenario. In contrast, the hadronic molecule scenario provides an economic solution.
- Apart from the hadron spectroscopy, threshold dynamics play a crucial role for understanding many newly observed phenomena in various processes.
- Theoretical tools bridging the quark and hadron D.O.F. are still required.
- Systematic studies of the threshold effects need inputs from experimental data.

Thanks for your attention!

Exotics of Type-III:

Peak structures caused by kinematic effects, in particular, by triangle singularity.

$$\Gamma_{3}(s_{1}, s_{2}, s_{3}) = \frac{1}{i(2\pi)^{4}} \int \frac{d^{4}q_{1}}{(q_{1}^{2} - m_{1}^{2} + i\epsilon)(q_{2}^{2} - m_{2}^{2} + i\epsilon)(q_{3}^{2} - m_{3}^{2} + i\epsilon)}$$

$$= \frac{-1}{16\pi^{2}} \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} da_{1} da_{2} da_{3} \frac{\delta(1 - a_{1} - a_{2} - a_{3})}{D - i\epsilon},$$

$$P = \frac{q_{2}}{q_{3}}$$

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The **TS** occurs when all the three internal particles can approach their on-shell condition simultaneously:

$$\partial D/\partial a_j=0$$
 for all j=1,2,3. $\det[Y_{ij}]=0$

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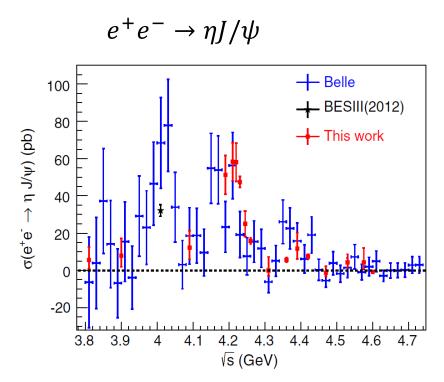
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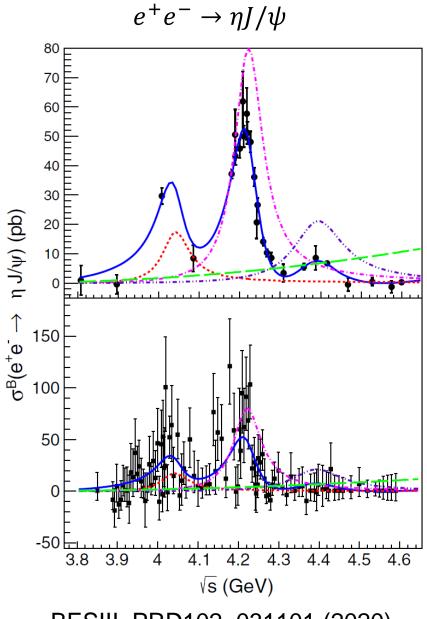
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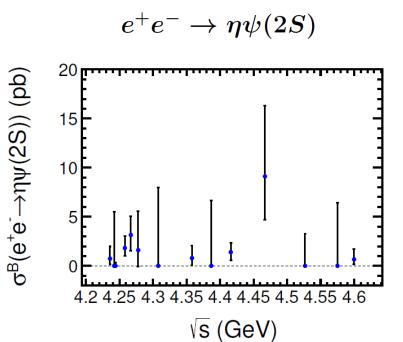
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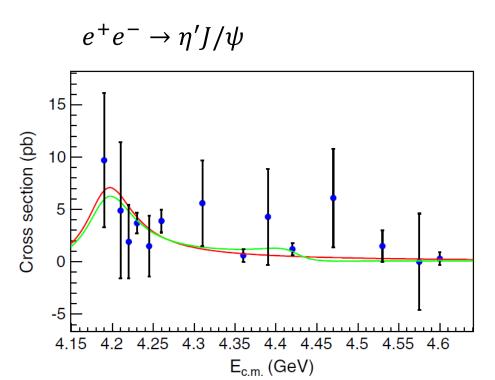
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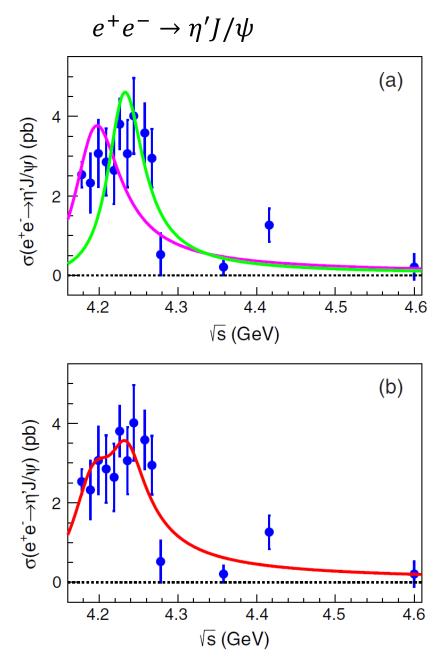
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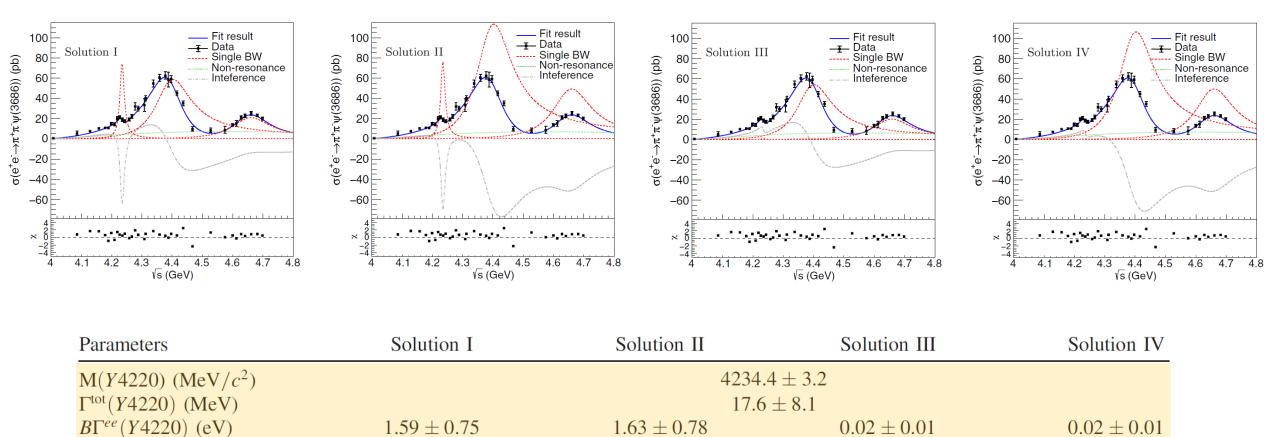
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$$e^+e^- \to \pi^+\pi^-\psi(3686)$$

 $M(Y4390) (MeV/c^2)$

 $\Gamma^{\text{tot}}(Y4390) \text{ (MeV)}$

 $B\Gamma^{ee}(Y4390)$ (eV)



 20.72 ± 2.46

 10.70 ± 4.13

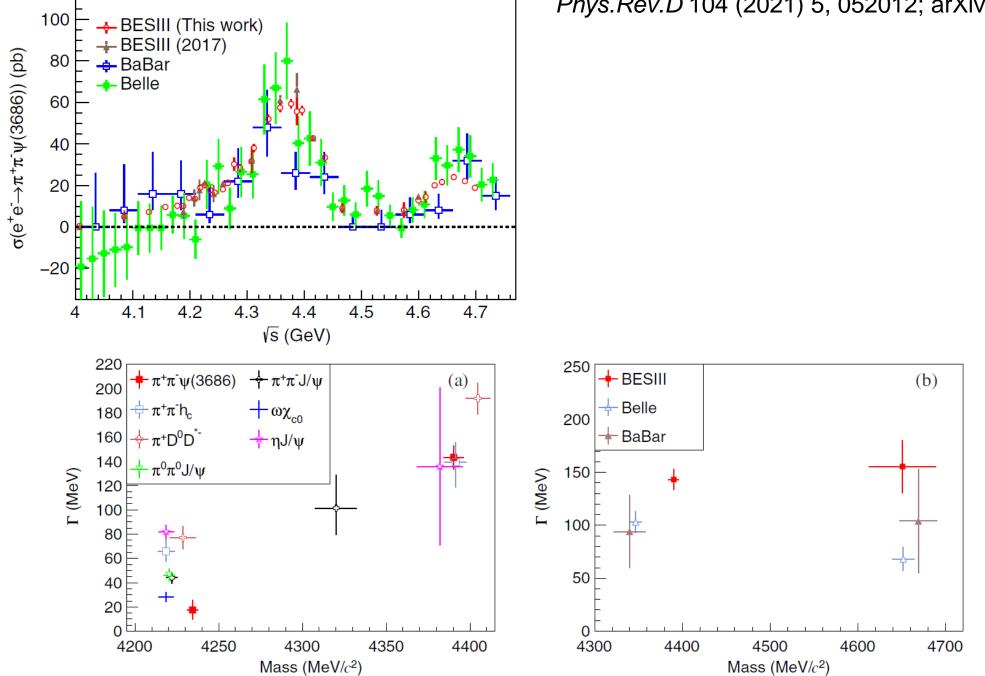
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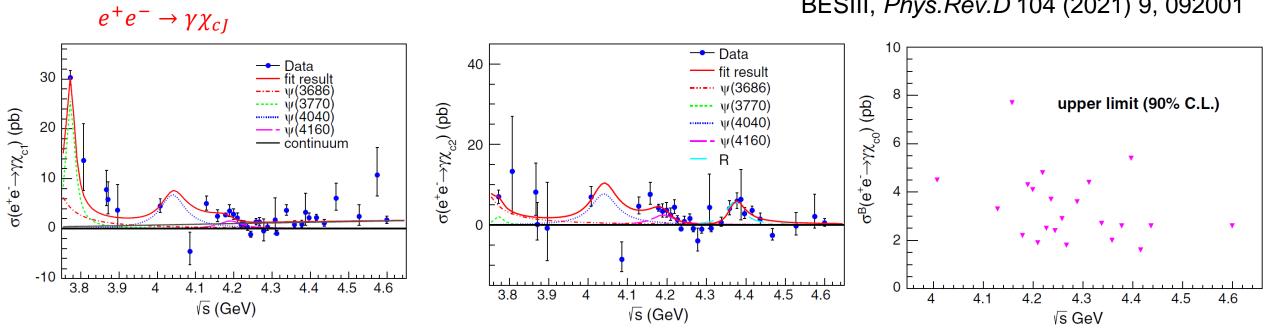
 19.44 ± 2.04

 9.86 ± 4.11

 4390.3 ± 6.0

 143.3 ± 10.0





Results of the fit to the $e^+e^- \to \gamma \chi_{c2}$ cross sections. The unit of the e^+e^- partial width is eV/c^2 . The errors are statistical TABLE II. only.

Parameter	Solution I	Solution II	Solution III	Solution IV
$\Gamma^{ee}\mathcal{B}(\psi(3770) \to \gamma\chi_{c2})$		$(0.6 \pm 0$	$(0.4) \times 10^{-1}$	
$\Gamma^{ee}\mathcal{B}(\psi(4040) \to \gamma\chi_{c2})$	$(13.4 \pm 4.7) \times 10^{-1}$	$(6.9 \pm 3.5) \times 10^{-1}$	$(13.3 \pm 4.7) \times 10^{-1}$	$(6.9 \pm 3.5) \times 10^{-1}$
$\Gamma^{ee}\mathcal{B}(\psi(4160) \to \gamma \chi_{c2})$	$(6.8 \pm 1.9) \times 10^{-1}$	$(2.1 \pm 0.9) \times 10^{-1}$	$(6.4 \pm 1.8) \times 10^{-1}$	$(2.1 \pm 0.9) \times 10^{-1}$
$M(\mathcal{R})$,	4371.	7 ± 7.5	
$\Gamma^{ ext{tot}}(\mathcal{R})$		51.1	\pm 17.6	
$\Gamma^{ee} \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{R} \to \gamma \chi_{c2})$	$(4.7 \pm 1.6) \times 10^{-1}$	$(3.9 \pm 1.3) \times 10^{-1}$	$(4.4 \pm 1.5) \times 10^{-1}$	$(4.1 \pm 1.4) \times 10^{-1}$
ϕ_1	$241.5^{\circ} \pm 15.0^{\circ}$	$105.6^{\circ} \pm 33.7^{\circ}$	$238.9^{\circ} \pm 14.8^{\circ}$	$107.3^{\circ} \pm 34.2^{\circ}$
ϕ_2	$248.7^{\circ} \pm 31.3^{\circ}$	$24.8^{\circ} \pm 39.2^{\circ}$	$252.6^{\circ} \pm 31.7^{\circ}$	$19.5^{\circ} \pm 30.8^{\circ}$ 46