

粲介子半轻衰变课题汇报: $D \rightarrow A l \nu_\ell$

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BESIII

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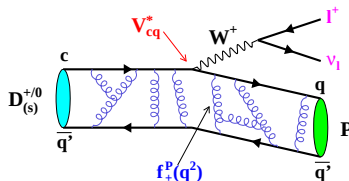
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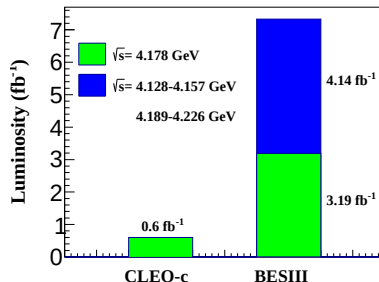
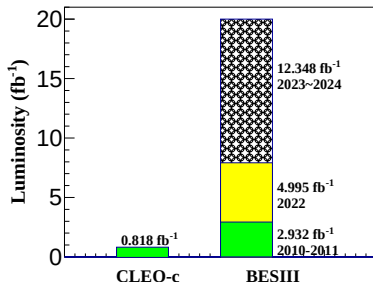
Main goal



$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dq^2} = X \frac{G_F^2 |\vec{p}_P|^3}{24\pi^3} |V_{cq}|^2 |f_+(q^2)|^2$$

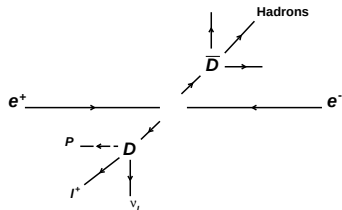
- Form Factors $f_+(0)$ measurements $\Rightarrow$ Calibrate LQCD calculations
- $|V_{cq}|$ measurement $\Rightarrow$ Test CKM matrix unitarity
- Branching Fractions $\mathcal{B}_{\mu/e} \Rightarrow$ Test lepton flavor universality (LFU)
- Rare decays $\Rightarrow$ Search for new physics effects beyond the Standard Model
- The semi-leptonic decay of charmed mesons is an ideal probe for studying the nature of axial-vector mesons

Data sample



- $e^+e^- \rightarrow \psi(3770) \rightarrow D\bar{D}$ $\sqrt{s}=3.773$ GeV, $\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}=20.3$ fb⁻¹
- $e^+e^- \rightarrow D_s^\pm D_s^{*\mp}$ $\sqrt{s}=4.128\text{-}4.226$ GeV, $\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}=7.33$ fb⁻¹
- $e^+e^- \rightarrow D_s^{*+} D_s^{*-}$ $\sqrt{s}=4.237\text{-}4.669$ GeV, $\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}=10.64$ fb⁻¹

BESIII dataset and double-tag method



- e^+e^- annihilations data near threshold
 $\Rightarrow$ Double-tag method & Clean environment
- Undetectable neutrinos $\Rightarrow$ extract the semi-leptonic signals
 $U_{\text{miss}} = E_{\text{miss}} - |\vec{p}_{\text{miss}}|, M_{\text{miss}}^2 = E_{\text{miss}}^2 - |\vec{p}_{\text{miss}}|^2$
- Branching fraction with double-tag method: $\mathcal{B} = \frac{N_{\text{DT}}}{N_{\text{ST}} \epsilon_{\text{DT}} / \epsilon_{\text{ST}}}$
 $\Rightarrow$ Systematic uncertainties on the ST mostly canceled

Data sample	E_{cm} (GeV)	$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}$ (fb $^{-1}$)	Single tag yields ($\times 10^6$)
$e^+e^- \rightarrow \psi(3770) \rightarrow D\bar{D}$	3.773	20.3	$\bar{D}^0 \sim 16.9; D^- \sim 11.0$
$e^+e^- \rightarrow D_s^\pm D_s^{*\mp}$	4.128-4.226	7.33	$D_s^- \sim 0.8$
$e^+e^- \rightarrow D_s^{*+} D_s^{*-}$	4.237-4.669	10.64	$D_s^- \sim 0.12$

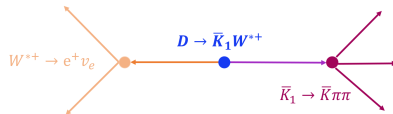
Publications

- A represents axial-vector mesons.

Topic	Channel	$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}$ (fb $^{-1}$) / E_{cm} (GeV)	Reference
$D^+ \rightarrow A\ell^+\nu_\ell$	$D \rightarrow K_1(1270)e^+\nu_e$	20.3 / 3.773	arXiv:2503.02196
	$D \rightarrow K_1(1270)\mu^+\nu_\mu$	7.93 / 3.773	PRD(L)111,071101(2025)
	$D \rightarrow b_1(1235)e^+\nu_e$	7.93 / 3.773	arXiv:2407.20551

- $\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}$: Integrated luminosity, E_{cm} : Center-of-mass energy.

Decay formalism of $D \rightarrow Ae^+\nu_e, A \rightarrow P_1P_2P_3$

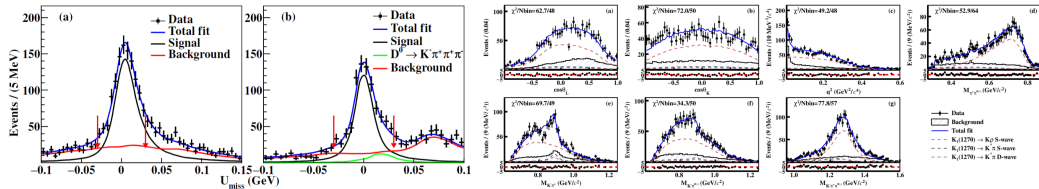


$$M = (V - A)^{\mu\eta} \cdot \left[\sum_{\lambda_{W^*}} \epsilon^*(\lambda_{W^*})_{\mu} \epsilon(\lambda_{W^*})_{\rho} \right] \cdot \left[\sum_{\lambda_{\bar{K}_1}} \epsilon^*(\lambda_{\bar{K}_1})_{\eta} \epsilon(\lambda_{\bar{K}_1})_{\sigma} \right] \cdot R_{\bar{K}_1} \cdot J^{\sigma} \cdot [\bar{u}_{\nu} \gamma^{\rho} (1 - \gamma_5) \nu_{\ell}]$$

- **Five-body** semi-leptonic decays involve more independent kinematic variables, requiring a general formalism.
- The transition $D \rightarrow \bar{K}_1 W^{*+}$ is described by the weak current matrix element $\langle \bar{K}_1 | s \gamma_{\mu} (1 - \gamma_5) | D \rangle$ [PRD 104, 052003 (2021)], with normalized form factor ratios $r_A = \frac{A(0)}{V_1(0)}, r_V = \frac{V_2(0)}{V_1(0)}$.
- The $\bar{K}_1 \rightarrow \bar{K} \pi \pi$ decay amplitude is constructed using the covariant tensor formalism [Eur. Phys. J. A 16, 537 (2023)].
- The electron mass is neglected ($m_e \rightarrow 0$), so $q^{\mu} [\bar{u}_{\nu} \gamma_{\mu} (1 - \gamma_5) \nu_{\ell}] = 0$ is used.

First amplitude and angular analyses of $D \rightarrow \bar{K}_1(1270)e^+\nu_e$

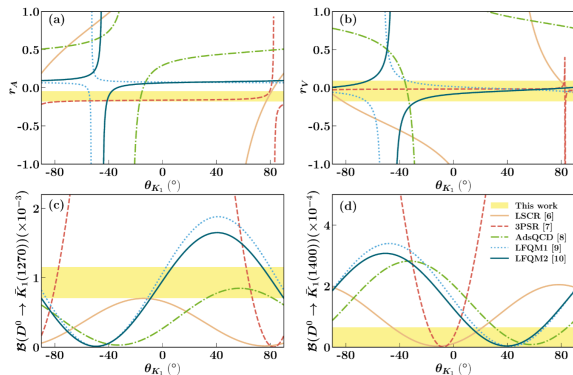
- Data: 20.3 fb^{-1} @ 3.773 GeV [[arXiv:2503.02196](https://arxiv.org/abs/2503.02196)]



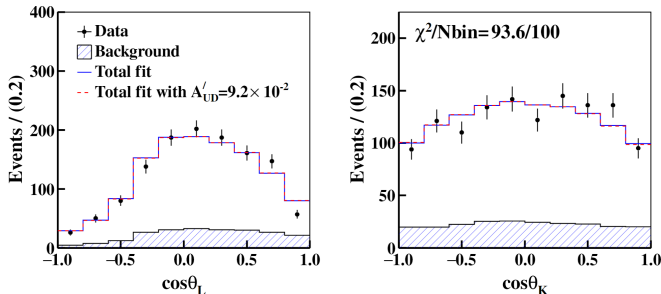
- Improve BF's measurement of $D \rightarrow \bar{K}_1(1270)e^+\nu_e$ and **First upper limit on $D \rightarrow \bar{K}_1(1400)e^+\nu_e$**
 - $\mathcal{B}(D^0 \rightarrow K_1(1270)^- e^+ \nu_e) = (1.02 \pm 0.06_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.06_{\text{syst}} \pm 0.03_{\text{input}}) \times 10^{-3}$
 - $\mathcal{B}(D^+ \rightarrow \bar{K}_1(1270)^0 e^+ \nu_e) = (2.27 \pm 0.11_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.07_{\text{syst}} \pm 0.07_{\text{input}}) \times 10^{-3}$
 - $\mathcal{B}(D^0 \rightarrow K_1(1400)^- e^+ \nu_e) < 0.7 \times 10^{-4}$ and $\mathcal{B}(D^+ \rightarrow \bar{K}_1(1400)^0 e^+ \nu_e) < 1.4 \times 10^{-4}$
- First study of the semileptonic decays of heavy mesons into axial-vector mesons**
 - $r_A = (-11.2 \pm 1.0 \pm 0.9) \times 10^{-2}$ $r_V = (-4.3 \pm 1.0 \pm 2.4) \times 10^{-2}$
- Component: $K\rho(770)$ and $K^*(892)\pi \rightarrow \frac{\mathcal{B}(K_1(1270) \rightarrow K^* \pi)}{\mathcal{B}(K_1(1270) \rightarrow K\rho)} = (20.3 \pm 2.1 \pm 8.7)\%$

First amplitude and angular analyses of $D \rightarrow \bar{K}_1(1270)e^+\nu_e$

- FFs are sensitive to the mixing angle θ_{K_1}
 - $f_{K_1(1270)} = f_{K_{1A}} \sin\theta_{K_1} + f_{K_{1B}} \cos\theta_{K_1}$
 - $f_{K_1(1400)} = f_{K_{1A}} \cos\theta_{K_1} - f_{K_{1B}} \sin\theta_{K_1}$
- Three unknown pars. ($f_{K_{1A}}, f_{K_{1B}}, \theta_{K_1}$) and Two equations $\rightarrow$ **Determine θ_{K_1} requires one parameter input!**
 - r_A, r_V , and $\mathcal{B}(D \rightarrow K_1(1270)e^+\nu_e)$ are consistent with the 3PSR predictions, and disfavor all other theoretical calculations by more than 5σ
 - Upper limits on $\mathcal{B}(D \rightarrow K_1(1400)e^+\nu_e)$ contradict 3PSR predictions.



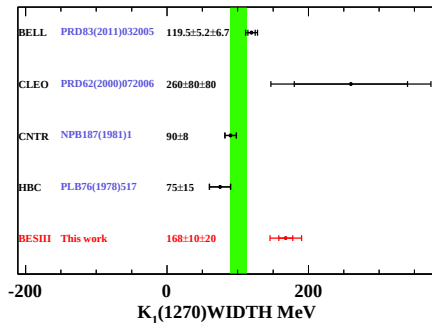
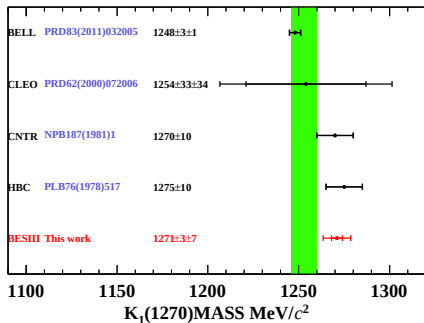
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- $\bar{b} \rightarrow \bar{s}\gamma$: polarization of photon ($\lambda_\gamma \sim +1$) in the SM. Any deviation can signal new physics (NP).
- LHCb measured photon polarization in $B^+ \rightarrow K_1^+(1270)(\rightarrow K\pi\pi)\gamma$ via the up-down asymmetry: $A_{ud} = f_h \lambda_\gamma = (6.9 \pm 1.7) \times 10^{-2}$.
- Theoretical evaluation of f_h is limited by the incomplete knowledge of current J^μ in $K_1 \rightarrow K\pi\pi$ decays.
- PRL 125, 051802 (2020): Up-down asymmetry in $D \rightarrow K_1(1270)e^+\nu_e$ relates as $A'_{ud} = \frac{4}{3}f_h$.
- 2D angular fit yields $A'_{ud} = 0.01 \pm 0.11$, consistent with the SM prediction $\frac{4}{3}A_{ud} = 0.092 \pm 0.022$.

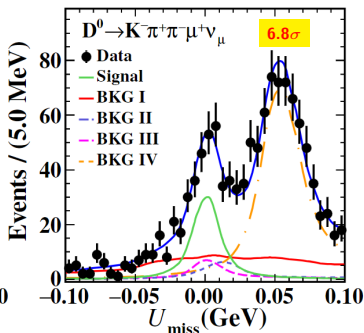
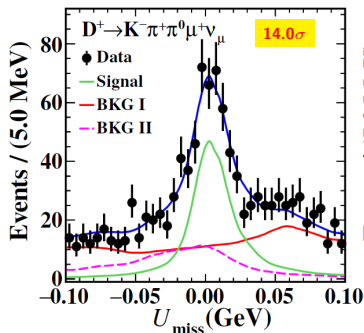
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- $K_1(1270)$ mass = $(1.271 \pm 0.003 \pm 0.007) \text{ GeV}/c^2$
- $K_1(1270)$ width = $(0.168 \pm 0.010 \pm 0.020) \text{ GeV}/c^2$

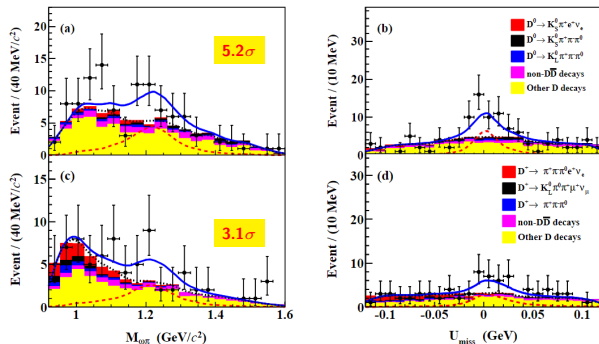


$D \rightarrow K_1(1270)\mu^+\nu_\mu$

- Data: 7.93 fb^{-1} @ 3.773 GeV [PRD(L)111,071101(2025)]
- First observation of $D \rightarrow K_1(1270)\mu^+\nu_\mu$
 - $\mathcal{B}(D^0 \rightarrow K_1(1270)^-\mu^+\nu_\mu) = (2.36 \pm 0.20_{-0.27}^{+0.18} \pm 0.48) \times 10^{-3}$
 - $\mathcal{B}(D^+ \rightarrow \bar{K}_1(1270)\mu^+\nu_\mu) = (0.78 \pm 0.11_{-0.09}^{+0.05} \pm 0.15) \times 10^{-3}$
- LFU test: $R_{D^0} = 0.74 \pm 0.13_{-0.13}^{+0.08}$, $R_{D^+} = 1.03 \pm 0.14_{-0.15}^{+0.11}$
- Isospin conservation check: $\frac{\Gamma(D^+ \rightarrow \bar{K}_1^0(1270)\mu^+\nu_\mu)}{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K_1^-(1270)\mu^+\nu_\mu)} = 1.22 \pm 0.10_{-0.09}^{+0.06}$



$$D \rightarrow b_1(1235)e^+\nu_e$$



- Data: $7.93 \text{ fb}^{-1} @ 3.773 \text{ GeV}$ [[arXiv:2407.20551](https://arxiv.org/abs/2407.20551)]
- First observation of $D^0 \rightarrow b_1(1235)^- e^+ \nu_e$ and evidence for $D^+ \rightarrow b_1(1235)^0 e^+ \nu_e$
 - $\mathcal{B}(D^0 \rightarrow b_1(1235)^- e^+ \nu_e) \times \mathcal{B}(b_1(1235)^- \rightarrow \omega \pi^-) = (0.72 \pm 0.18^{+0.06}_{-0.08}) \times 10^{-4}$
 - $\mathcal{B}(D^+ \rightarrow b_1(1235)^0 e^+ \nu_e) \times \mathcal{B}(b_1(1235)^0 \rightarrow \omega \pi^0) = (1.16 \pm 0.44 \pm 0.16) \times 10^{-4}$

- Isospin conservation check: $\frac{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow b_1^- e^+ \nu_e)}{2\Gamma(D^+ \rightarrow b_1^0 e^+ \nu_e)} = 0.78 \pm 0.19^{+0.04}_{-0.05}$

Summary and prospect

- Summary
 - BESIII has the largest data samples at $D\bar{D}/D_s D_s^*$ threshold
 - Axial-vector mesons are studied systematically via semi-leptonic charm decays
 - BFs/FF measurements help to test different QCD modes and understand their nature!
- Prospect
 - More axial-vector mesons could be studied via semi-leptonic charm decays
 - Machine learning is promising for future searches of rare decays

Decay Mode	BESIII Publication	BESIII Prospect
$D \rightarrow K_1(1270)e^+\nu_e$	20.3:arXiv:2503.02196	
$D \rightarrow K_1(1270)\mu^+\nu_\mu$	7.93: PRD(L)111,071101(2025)	Charm group report(20.3fb ⁻¹)
$D \rightarrow b_1(1235)\ell^+\nu_\ell$	7.93:arXiv:2407.20551	Charm group report(20.3fb ⁻¹)
$D \rightarrow K_1(1270)(\rightarrow K\omega)e^+\nu_e$	NONE	CWR(20.3fb ⁻¹)
$D \rightarrow K_1(1270)(\rightarrow K\pi\pi)e^+\nu_e$	NONE	Charm group review(20.3fb ⁻¹)
$D \rightarrow f_1(1420)\ell^+\nu_\ell$	NONE	Charm group review(20.3fb ⁻¹)
$D_s \rightarrow f_1(1285)e^+\nu_e$ and $D_s \rightarrow f_1(1420)e^+\nu_e$	NONE	Draft review(7.33fb ⁻¹)
$D \rightarrow \pi\pi\eta e^+\nu_e$	NONE	Memo review(20.3fb ⁻¹)