

Review of charmonium(-like) results at Belle and Belle II

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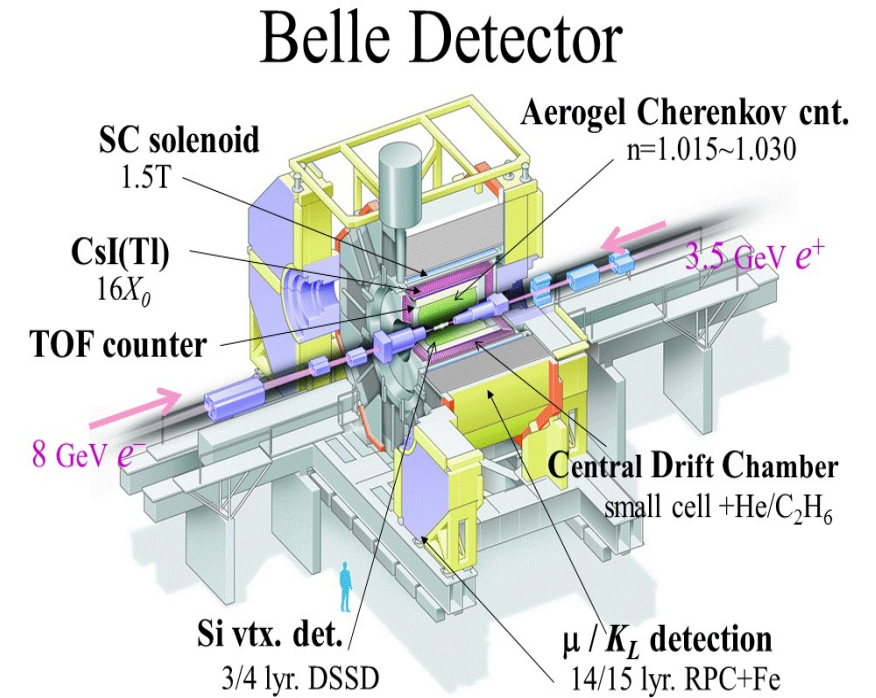
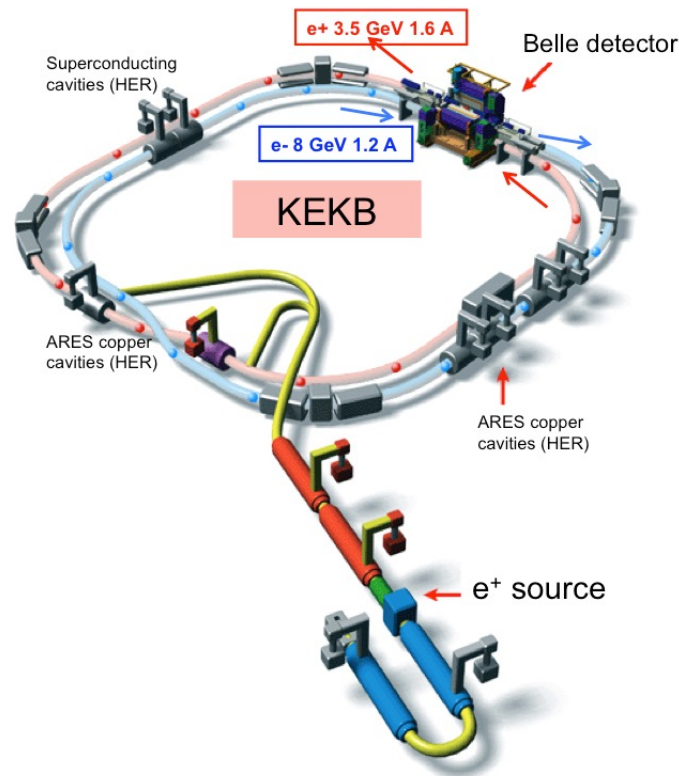


KEKB and Belle

- ✓ Peak luminosity: $2.11 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
- ✓ Integrated luminosity ($\sim 980 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ in total):
 $\Upsilon(5S)$: 121 fb^{-1} , $\Upsilon(4S)$: 711 fb^{-1} , $\Upsilon(3S)$: 3 fb^{-1} ,
 $\Upsilon(2S)$: 25 fb^{-1} , $\Upsilon(1S)$: 6 fb^{-1} , continuum: 90 fb^{-1}



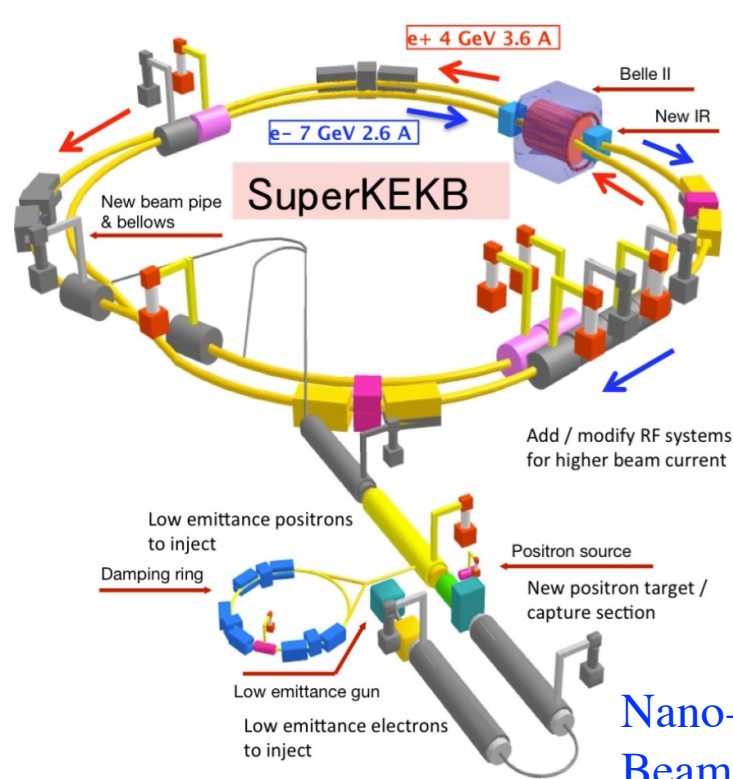
$$\sqrt{s} \sim 10.6 \text{ GeV}$$



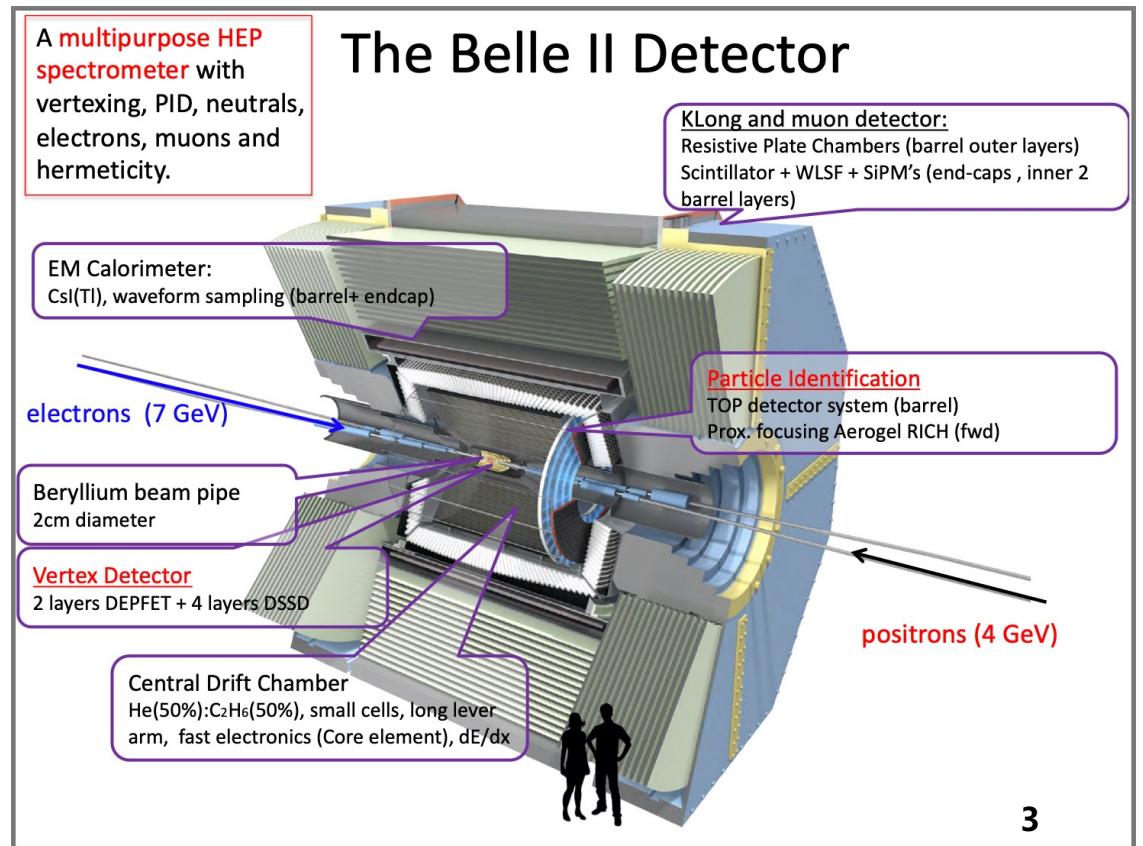
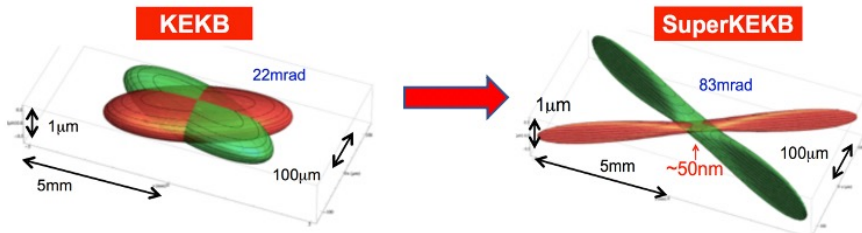
SuperKEKB and Belle II

- ✓ Achieved peak luminosity: $0.5 \times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
- ✓ Integrated luminosity: $577/\text{fb}$
- ✓ 42 fb^{-1} off-resonance, 60 MeV below $\Upsilon(4S)$
- ✓ 19 fb^{-1} energy scan between 10.6 to 10.8 GeV for exotic hadron studies

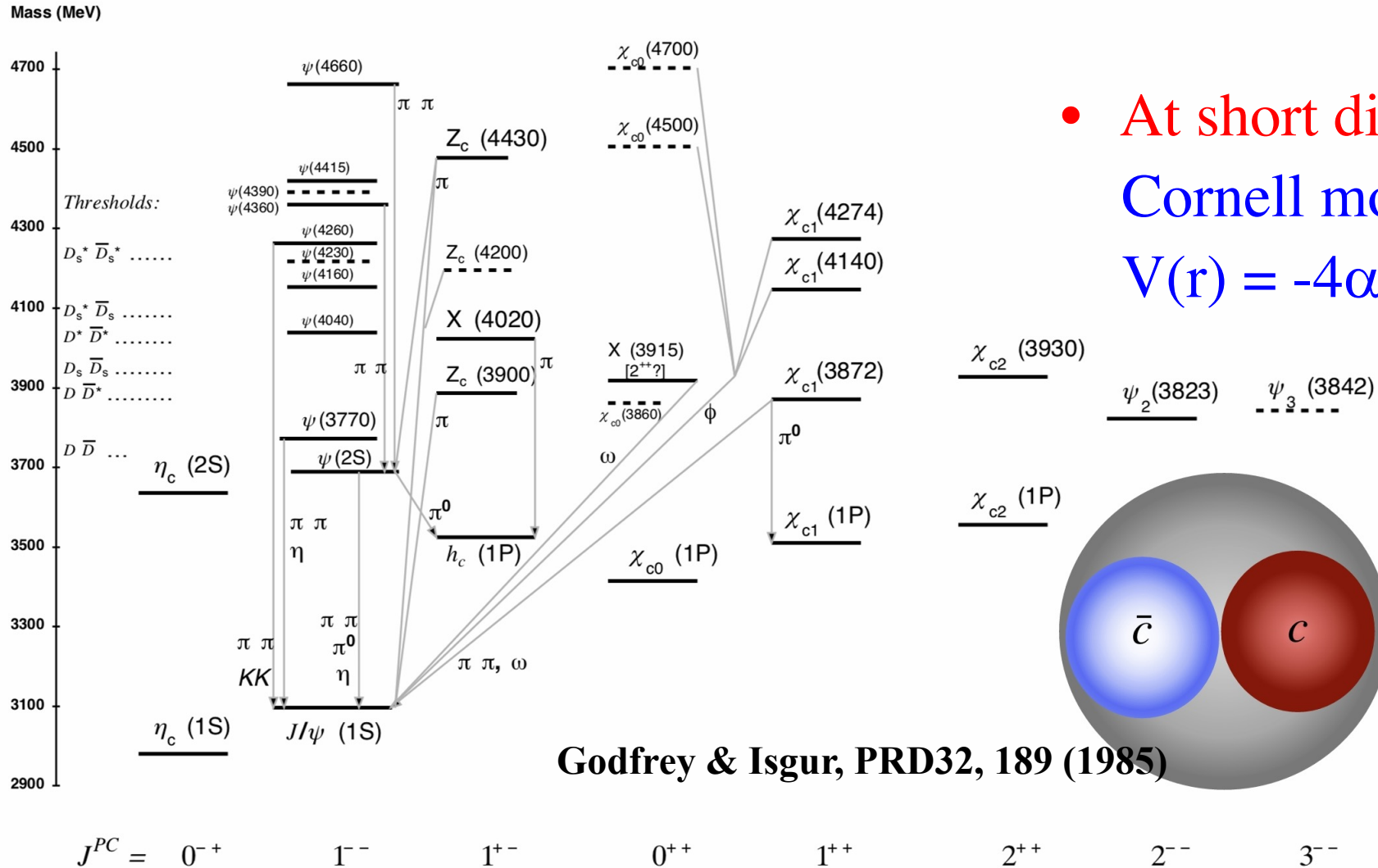
$$\sqrt{s} \sim 10.58 \text{ GeV}$$



Nano-beam design:
 Beam squeezing: $\times 20$ smaller
 Target luminosity: $\text{KEKB} \times 40$



Charmonium(-like) Spectrum



- At short distance
Cornell model works pretty well
 $V(r) = -4\alpha_s/3r + kr$

$$n^{(2S+1)}L_J$$

n radial quantum number

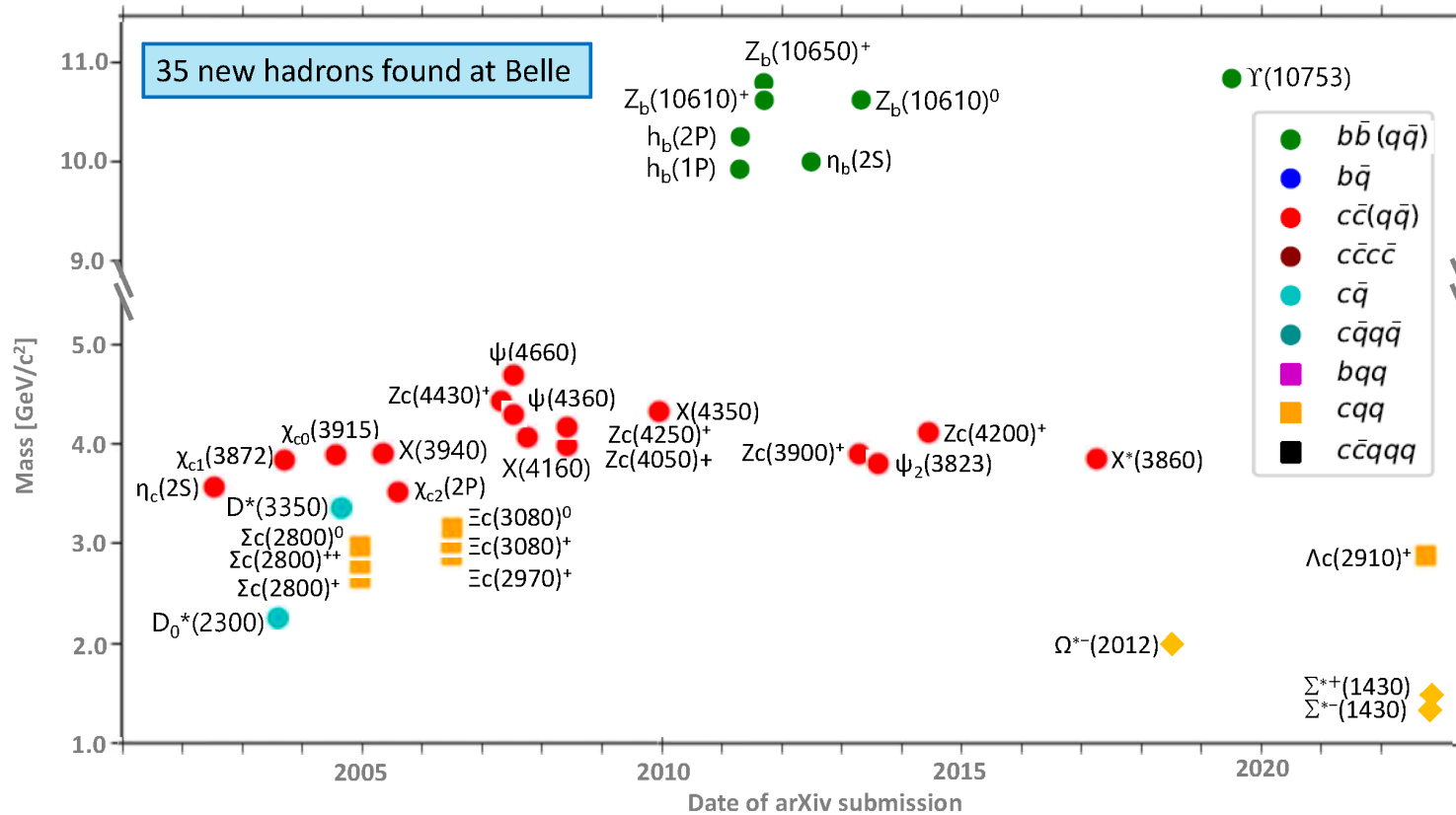
S total spin of c & cbar

L orbital angular momentum

$L = 0, 1, 2 \dots$ correspond to S, P, D, ...

$$J = S + L$$
$$P = (-1)^{L+1} \text{ parity}$$
$$C = (-1)^{L+S} \text{ charge conj.}$$

35 new hadrons found at Belle



<https://qwg.ph.nat.tum.de/exoticshub/>

35 new hadrons were found at Belle. **10 of these are "exotic"** and cannot be explained in the conventional quark model while the nature of 8 of them are still under investigation. The remaining 17 states are consistent with the quark model. Measurements of all these states will provide critical **insights for QCD**.

Production of Charmonium(-like) states at B -factory

◆ B decay ($B \rightarrow KX_{c\bar{c}}$)

✓ CKM favored process, large branching fractions $10^{-3} \sim 10^{-4}$

✓ $J^{PC} = 0^{-+}, 1^{--}, 1^{++}, \dots$

◆ Initial-state radiation (ISR)

✓ $J^{PC} = 1^{--}$

◆ Two-photon process

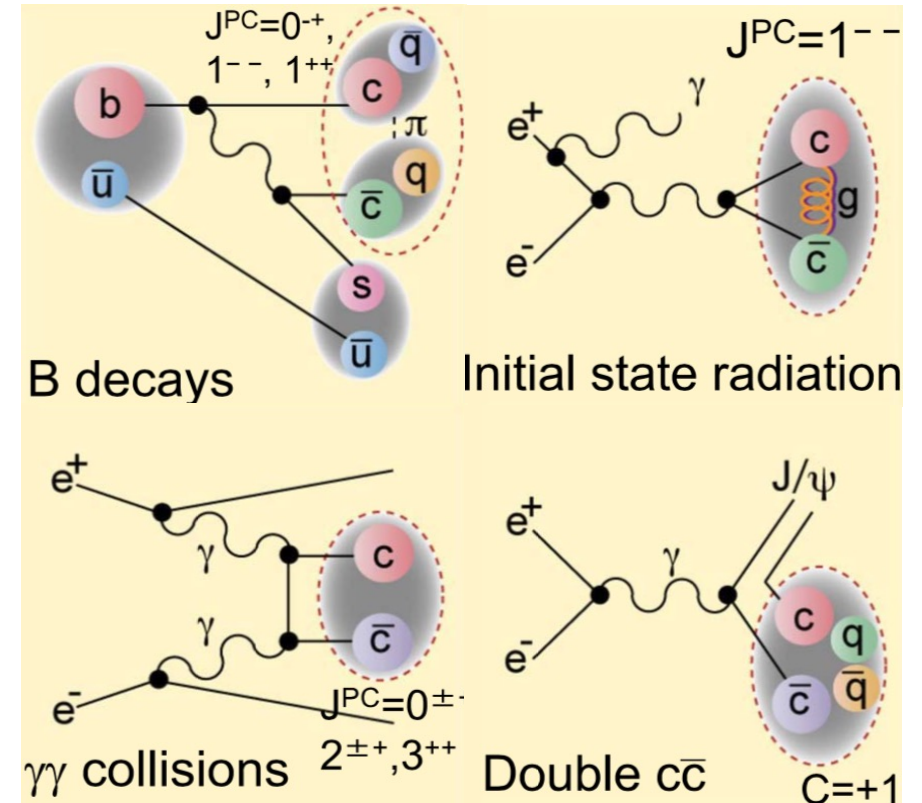
✓ $J^{PC} = 0^{-+}, 0^{++}, 2^{++}, 2^{-+}, \dots$

◆ Double charmonium

✓ e.g. $e^+e^- \rightarrow J/\psi X(3940)$ [PRL 98,082001(2007)]

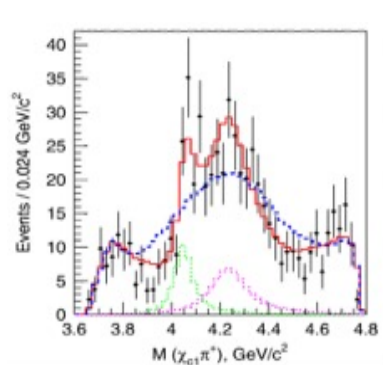
Expected statistics @50 ab^{-1} of XYZ

State	Production and Decay	N
X(3872)	$B \rightarrow KX(3872)$, $X(3872) \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$	$\simeq 14400$
Y(4260)	ISR, $Y(4260) \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$	$\simeq 29600$
Z(4430)	$B \rightarrow K^\mp Z(4430)$, $Z(4430) \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^\pm$	$\simeq 10200$

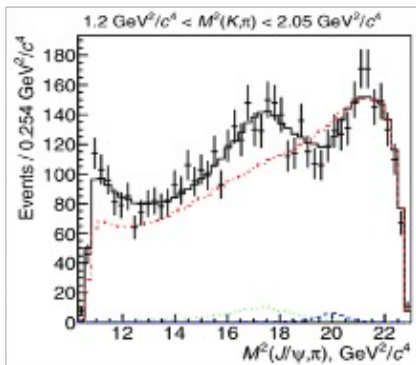


Charmonium(-like) states via B decays

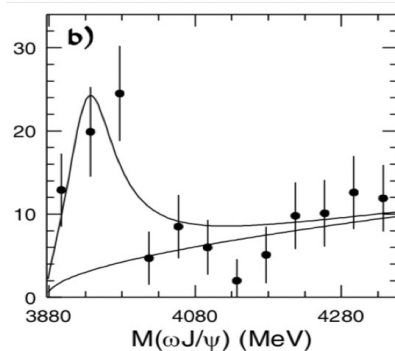
- ◆ Confirm Z_c states $Z(4050)^+$, $Z(4200)^+$, $Z(4250)^+$ and search for neutral partners
- ◆ Full amplitude analysis to $B \rightarrow K\omega J/\psi$ and $B \rightarrow K\omega\chi_{c1}$ to determine the spin-parities of $X(3915)$, $Z(4050)^+$ and $Z(4250)^+$.
- ◆ Confirmation of $X(3872)$ width measurement with $D^0\bar{D}^0\pi^0$ mode, search for more open-flavor decay modes, e.g., $B \rightarrow K(D\bar{D})$, $B \rightarrow K(D\bar{D}^*)$, $B \rightarrow K(D^*\bar{D}^*)$, $B \rightarrow K(D\bar{D}^{**})$... with more B mesons
- ◆ Absolute branching fractions are unique for Belle II
- ◆ Systematic investigations of charmonium plus light hadron final states: $B \rightarrow K(c\bar{c}+h)$



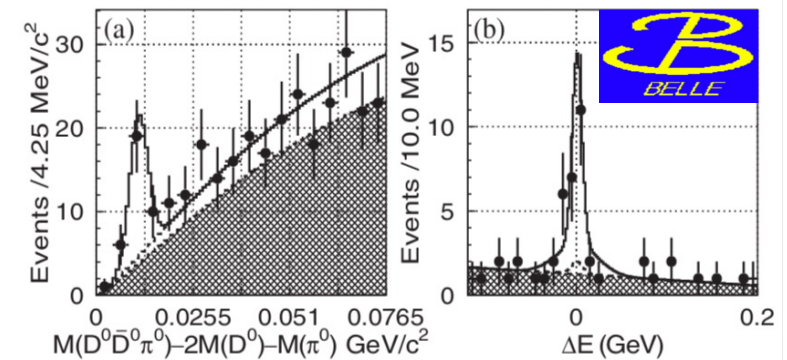
$Z(4050/4250) \rightarrow \pi^+\chi_{c1}$
PRD 78,072004



$Z(4200/4430) \rightarrow \pi^+J/\psi$
PRD 90,112009



$X(3915) \rightarrow \omega J/\psi$
PRL 94,182002

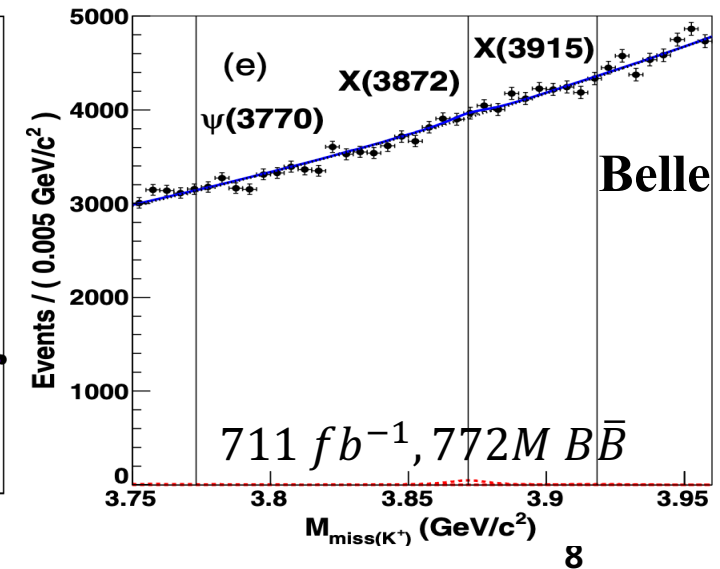
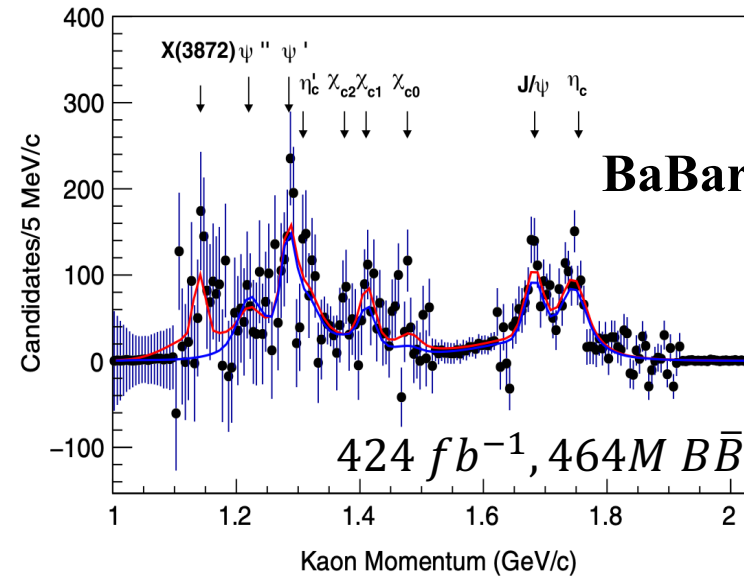


$B \rightarrow KX(3872)(\rightarrow D^0\bar{D}^0\pi^0)$
PRL 97,162002

👉 Inclusive measurement of $Br(B^\pm \rightarrow K^\pm X(3872))$

- Determination of the $Br(B^\pm \rightarrow X(3872)K^\pm)$ leads to $Br(X(3872) \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-J/\psi)$, bringing useful information regarding complex nature of the $X(3872)$
- Experimental measurements:
 - ✓ Belle: $Br(B^+ \rightarrow K^+X) < 2.6 \times 10^{-4}$ [[PRD 97,012005 \(2018\)](#)]
 - ✓ BABAR: $Br(B^+ \rightarrow K^+X) = (2.1 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-4}$ [[PRL 124, 152001 \(2020\)](#)]
- Theoretical calculations: $Br(B^+ \rightarrow K^+X)$
 - ✓ $Br(B^+ \rightarrow K^+X_{c\bar{c}}) = (7.88^{+4.87}_{-3.76} \text{ or } 3.8^{+0.9+0.6+0.3}_{-0.8-0.5-0.2}) \times 10^{-4}$, [[CPC 41.1\(2017\):03101](#)]
 - ✓ $Br(B^+ \rightarrow K^+X_{tetraq}) = (2.1 \pm 1.0) \times 10^{-4}$ [[arXiv:2208.07990 \(2022\)](#)]
 - ✓ $Br(B^+ \rightarrow K^+X_{mol}) = (0.07 \sim 1) \times 10^{-4}$

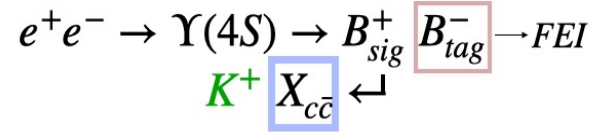
Branching fraction	Structure
$B(X(3872) \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+\pi^-)$ $\sim 50\%$	Tetraquark State [PRD 71, 014028 (2005)]
$B(X(3872) \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+\pi^-)$ $< 10\%$	Molecular state [PRD 72, 054022 (2005), PRD 69, 054008 (2004)]



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Fit M_{rec} distribution for K-sample: $M_{rec} = \sqrt{(p_{ee}^\mu - p_{B_{tag}}^\mu - p_K^\mu)^2}$



FIT STRATEGY:

- Use MC template (hist. shapes)
- Divide the signal into events coming from correct (GoodTag) or wrong (BadTag) B_{tag} reconstruction:

Good Tag Fraction (GTF): $R_{s,t} = \frac{N_{s,t}^{GT}}{(N_{s,t}^{GT} + N_{s,t}^{BT})}$

- Signal fit structure : $P_{s,t} = G_s P_{s,t}^{GT} + (1 - G_s) P_{s,t}^{BT}$

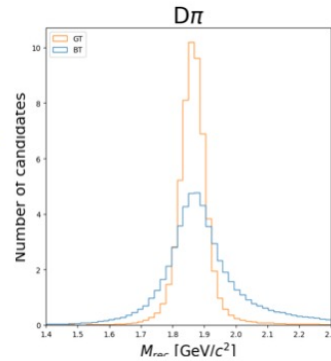
- $G_{s,t} = R_{s,t} C_t$

- GTF Correction: $C_t = \frac{R_{s,t}^{data}}{R_{s,t}^{MC}}$

- Simultaneous fit between the tag modes:

$$D^0\pi^+, D^0\pi^+\pi^0, D^0\pi^+\pi^-\pi^+, D^0\pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^0, D^{*0}\pi^+, D^{*0}\pi^+\pi^0, D^{*0}\pi^+\pi^-\pi^+, D^{*0}\pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^0, D^-\pi^+\pi^+, D^-\pi^+\pi^+\pi^0, \text{rest.}$$

- $\frac{Br(B^\pm \rightarrow K^\pm X_{c\bar{c}})}{Br(B^\pm \rightarrow K^\pm J/\psi)}$ as a global floating parameter.

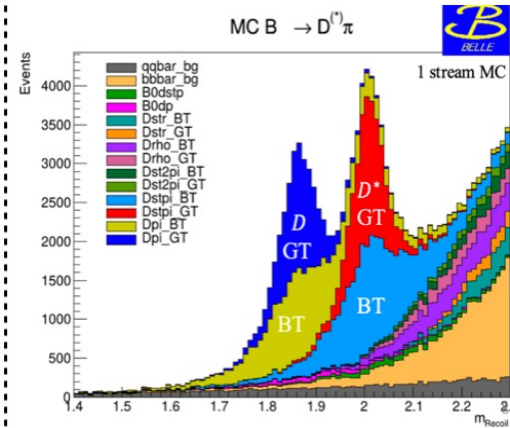


e.g difference between signal reco. with good/bad Btag reco. (M_{rec} distribution).

②

MORE ROBUST DETERMINATION OF THE FEI GOOD-TAG FRACTION USING $B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\pi$

Anzats: GTFC per tag mode doesn't depend on the signal mode.
Use π - sample (fit M_{rec} distribution) to determine $GTFC_t$



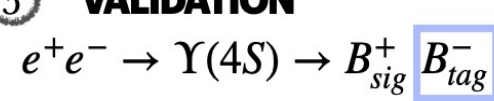
π sample - M_{rec} distribution.

π -SAMPLE FIT

- Similar to the K-sample, but $K \rightarrow \pi$
- Idea: extract $GTFC_t$ from π -fit and insert in K-fit
- Along the way we also obtain a low-systematics measurement of the BR ratio $\frac{Br(B^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm D^{*0})}{Br(B^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm D^0)}$

③

VALIDATION

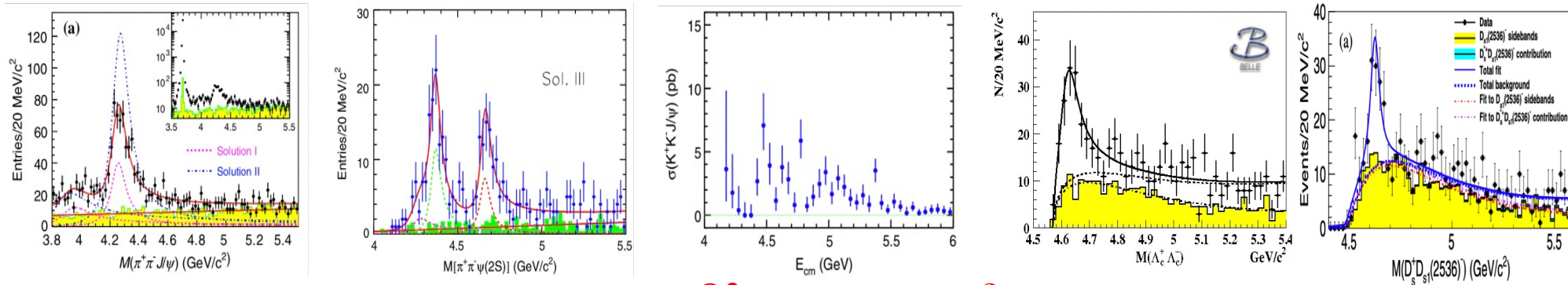


$$M_{bc} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{E_{beam}}{2}\right)^2 - p_{tag}^2}$$

- For the anzats validation — fit to M_{bc} distribution.
- Executed in 3 different ways:
 1. Check the use of M_{bc} at the π -fit range
 2. π -side band (SB)
 3. K-SB

Charmonium(-like) states via ISR processes

- ◆ Confirm Z_c states and search for neutral partners
- ◆ Measure more precisely the line-shapes of more final state, including open-charm final states .
- ◆ Search for more Y states in more process, such as $Y \rightarrow$ charmed baryon pairs, charmed strange meson pairs.



Q1: $Y(4008)$?

PRL 110, 252002

Q2: $Y(4260)$?

PRD 91, 112007

Q3: more structure?

PRD 89, 072015

PRL 101,172001, PRD 100, 111103(R)

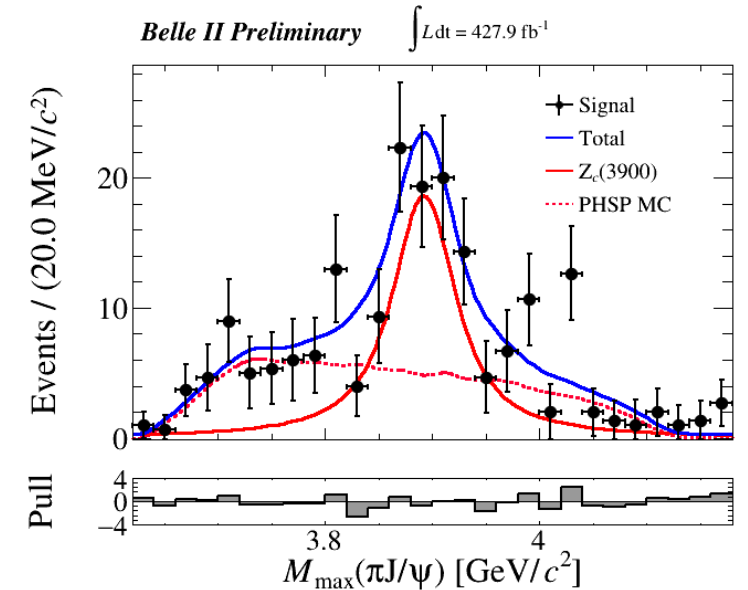
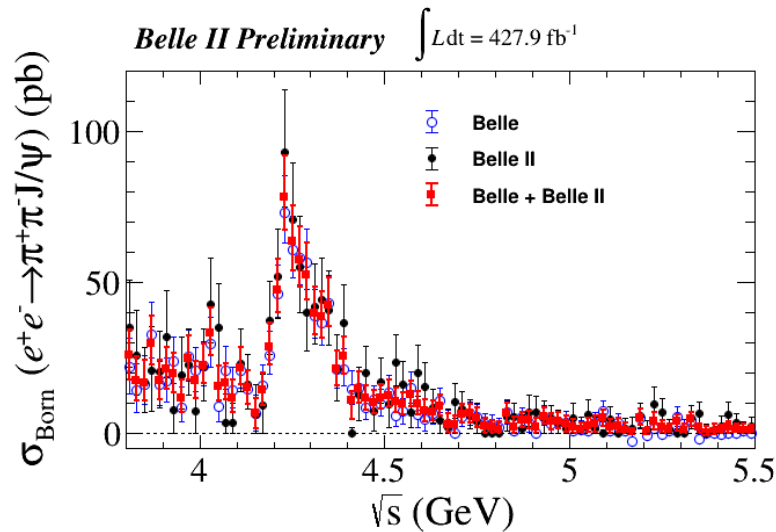
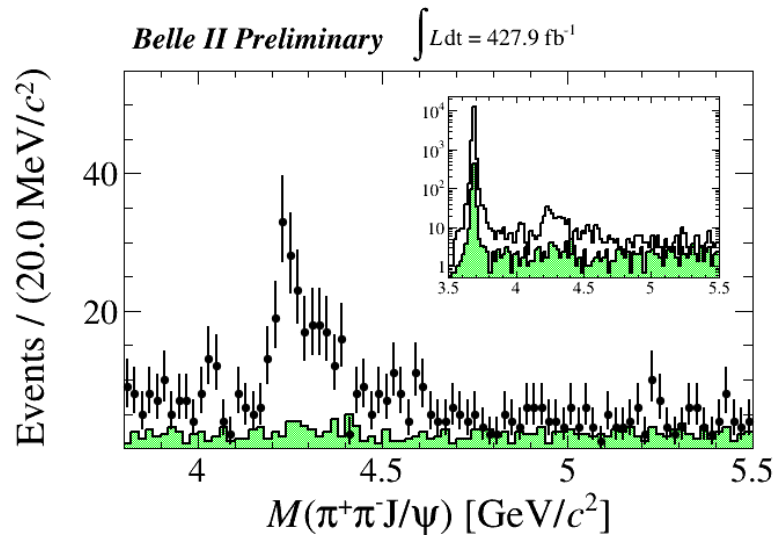
Q4: Same?

- ◆ Perform the analysis of $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-h_c$, $\omega\chi_{c0}$, and $(D^*\bar{D}^*)^\pm\pi^\mp$ to confirm the results with BESIII.
- ◆ Study the processes $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\psi_2(1D)$, $K^+K^-\psi(2S)$, $\phi\chi_{cJ}$, $\eta J/\psi$, $\eta' J/\psi$, $\eta\psi(2S)$, $\omega\chi_{cJ}$, etc to search for more charmonium-like states and new decay modes.

👉 Study of $e^+e^- \rightarrow h^+h^-J/\psi$ ($h = \pi/K/p$) via ISR at Belle II

New!

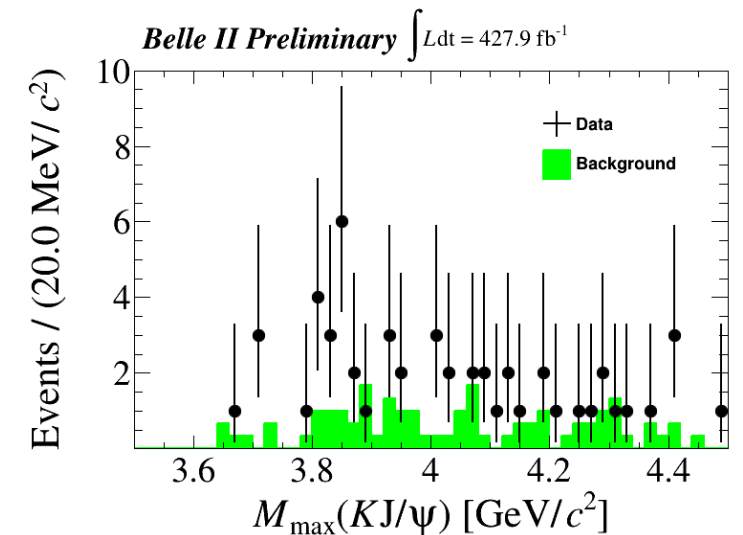
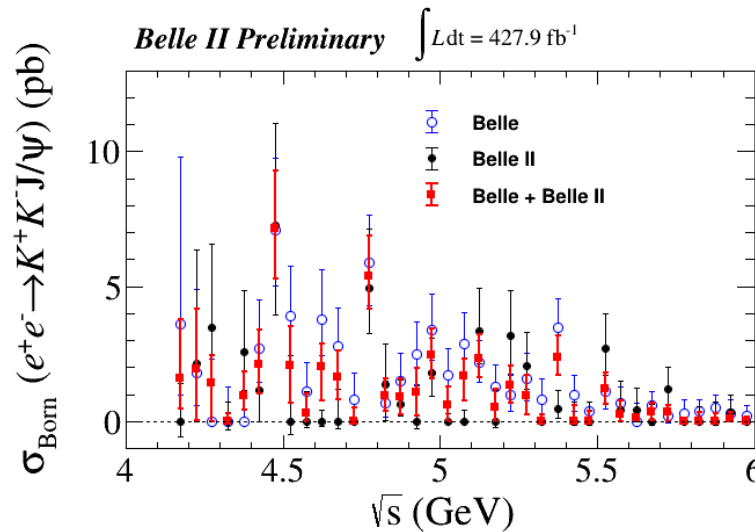
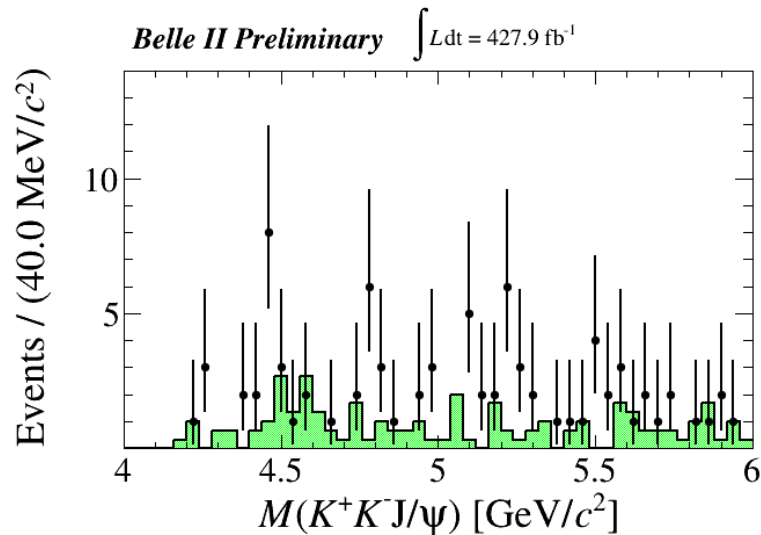
- ◆ Based on the data sample with $L_{int} = 427.9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ at Belle II, Born cross of $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-J/\psi$ via ISR is measured.
- ◆ The measured results on the cross sections are consistent with Belle and BESIII, within 2σ .
- ◆ Clear $Z_c(3900)$ signal with significance of 3.7σ is seen, with fixed mass and width [PRL 110, 252002(2013)]



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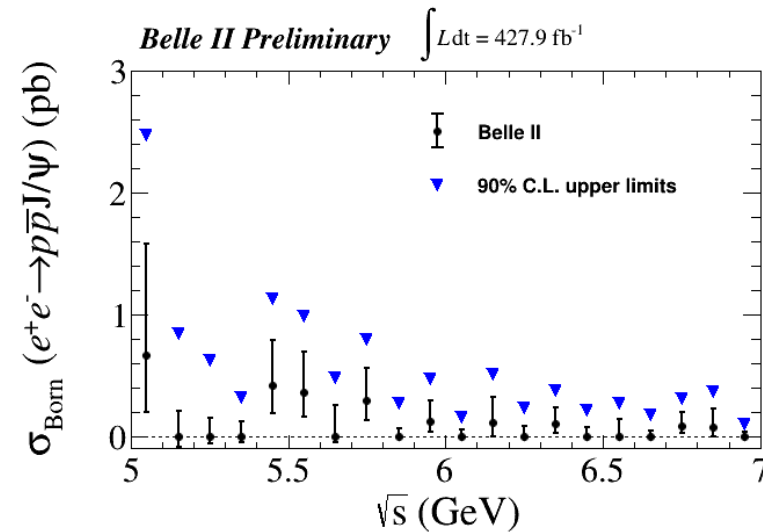
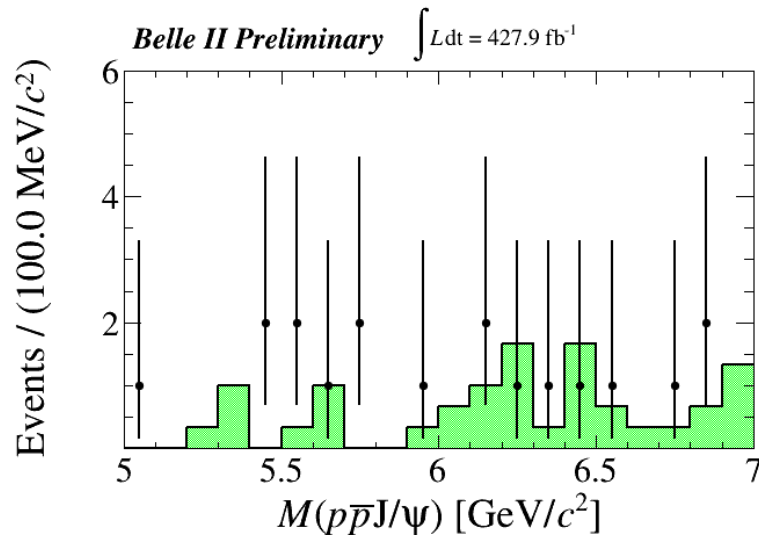
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- ◆ No obvious Z_{CS} signal is observed.



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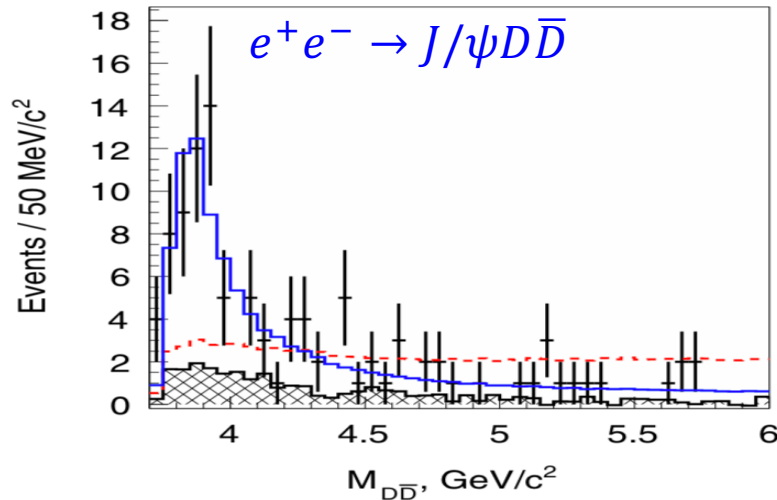
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- ◆ No obvious signal is observed, and the born cross at 90% C.L. is given.
- ◆ The U.L of born cross at 6 GeV ($< 0.15 \text{ pb}$) is consistent with the theoretical prediction ($\sim 4 \text{ fb}$) [[arxiv:2508.08694](https://arxiv.org/abs/2508.08694)].



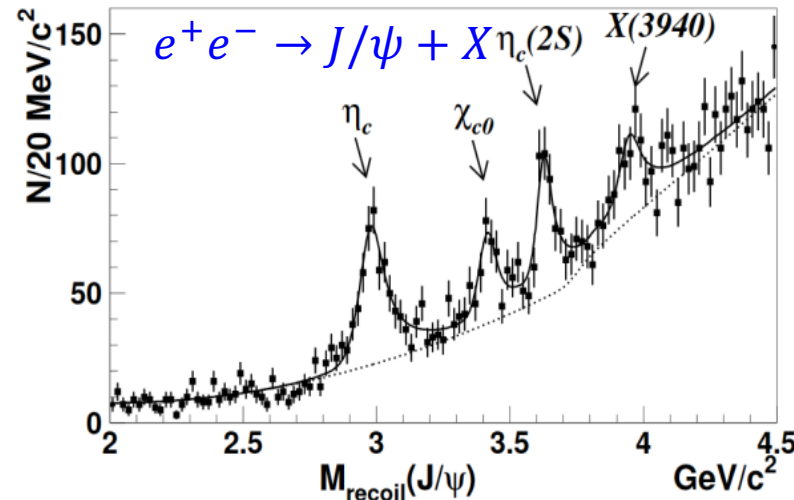
Charmonium(-like) states via Double charmonium processes

- ◆ $e^+e^- \rightarrow (c\bar{c})_{J=1}(c\bar{c})_{J=0}$ production rule.
- ◆ Rediscovery of $X(3940, 4160)$
- ◆ Expand to other $c\bar{c}$ ($h_c, \eta_c, \eta_c(2S), \psi(2S), \chi_{cJ}, \text{etc.}$), search for new states



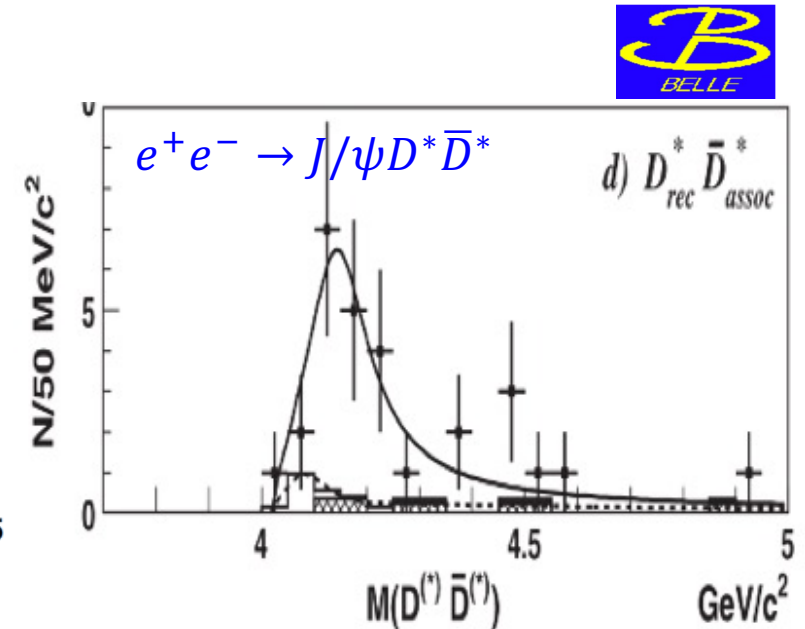
$X(3860) \rightarrow D\bar{D}$

PRD95, 112003



$X(3940) \rightarrow D\bar{D}^*$

PRL 98, 082001

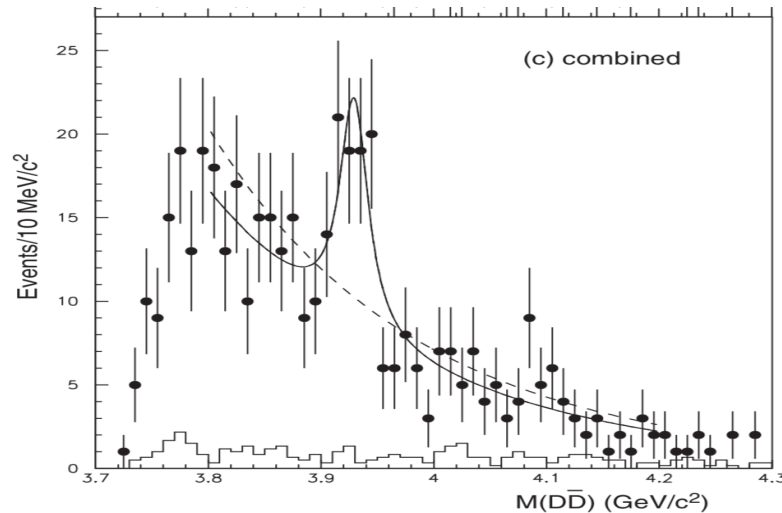


$X(4160) \rightarrow D^*\bar{D}^*$

PRL 100, 202001

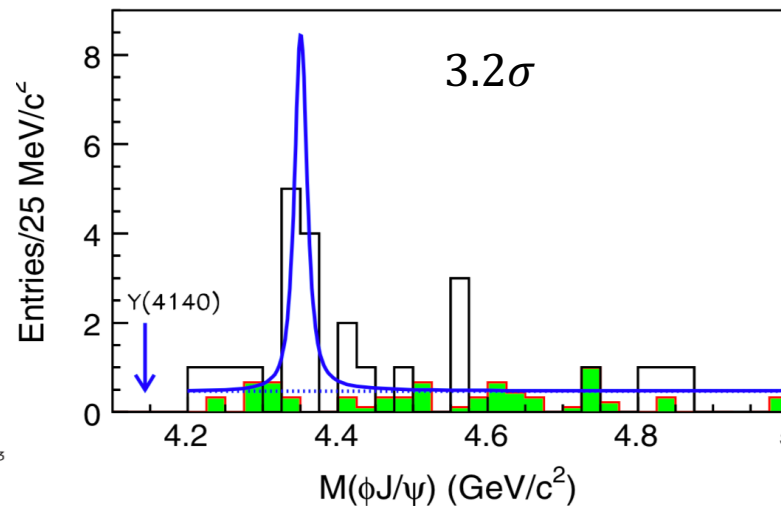
Charmonium(-like) states via two photons collisions

- ◆ Determine J^P values for some confirmed states, like $X(3930)$
- ◆ Confirm some states with evidence ? like $X(4350)$
- ◆ Search for $X(4500)$ and $X(4700)$ via two photons processes
- ◆ With smaller boost at Belle II, the efficiency in two photon process may be a little higher.



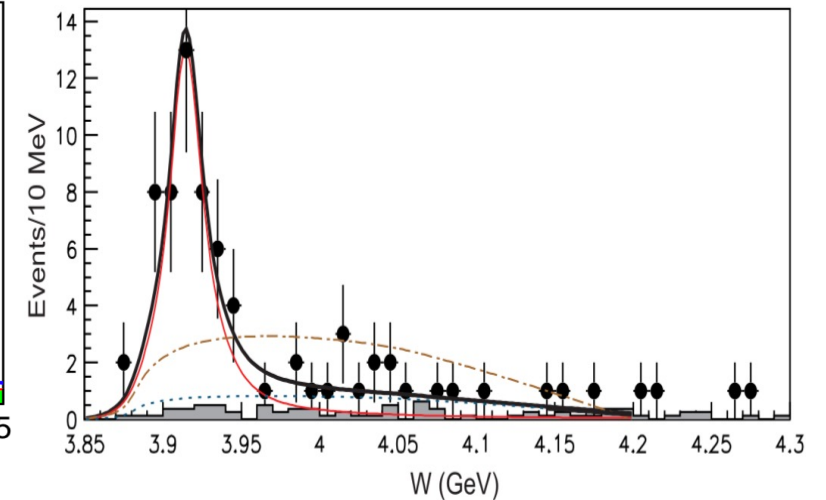
$X(3930) \rightarrow D\bar{D}$

PRL 96, 082003



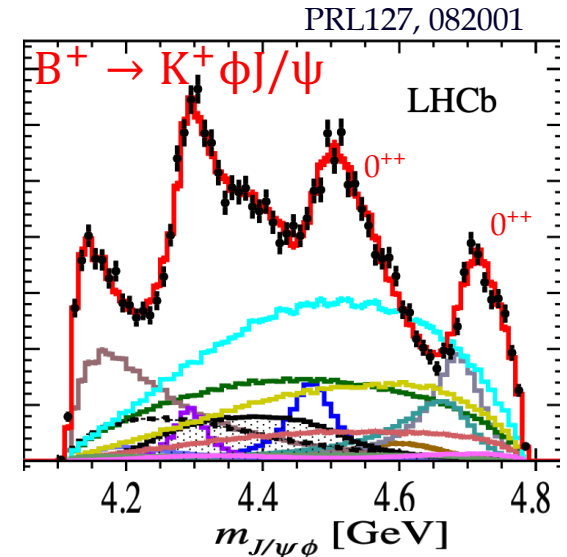
$X(4350) \rightarrow \phi J/\psi$

PRL 104, 112004

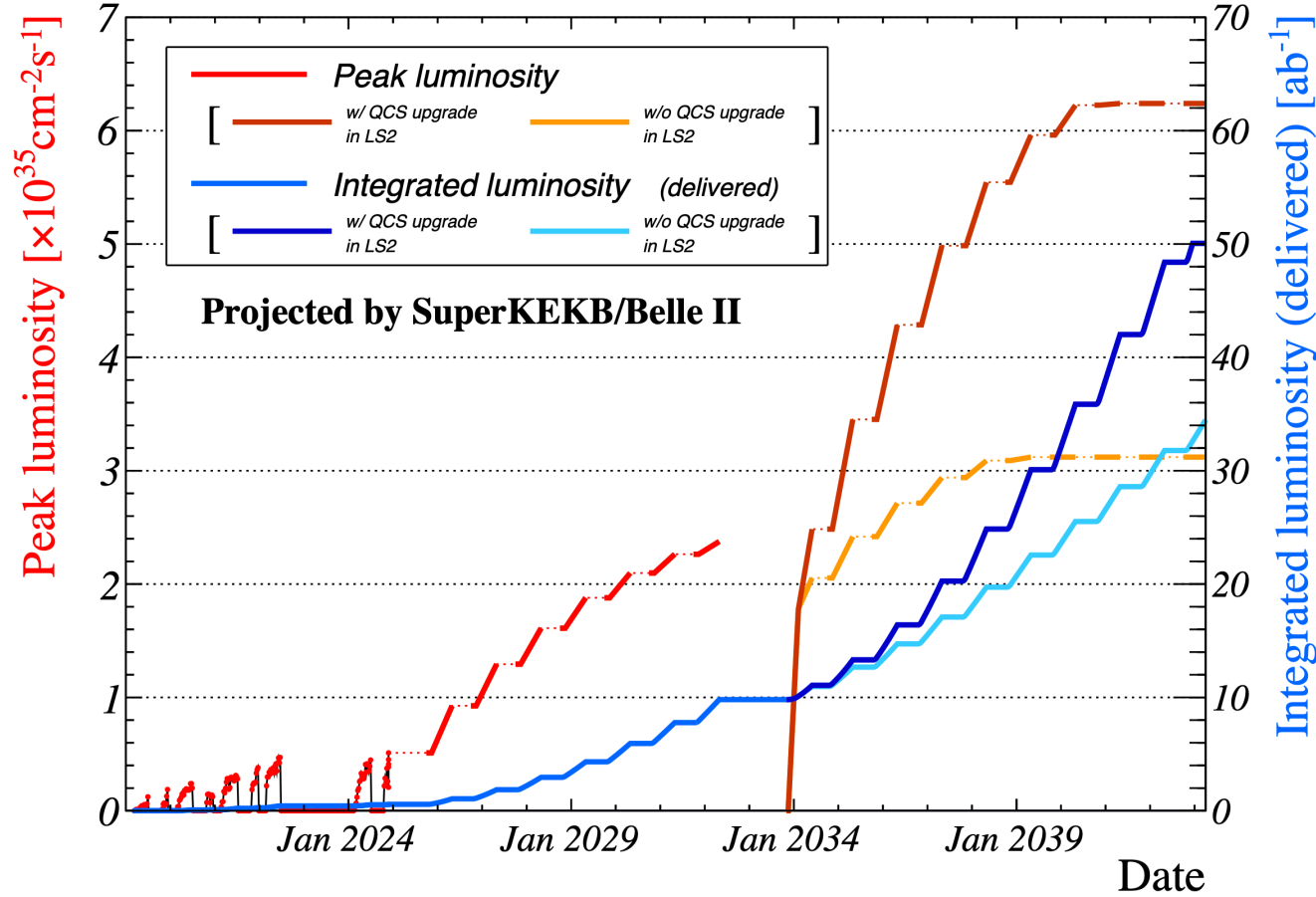


$X(3915) \rightarrow \omega J/\psi$

PRL 104, 092001



Data-taking plan and Prospects



Charmonium-like states:

- B decay ($B \rightarrow K X_{c\bar{c}}$)
- Initial-state radiation (ISR)
- Two-photon process
- Double charmonium

- Until 2026, about 1 ab^{-1} data, comparable to Belle
- Until 2029, about 4 ab^{-1} data.

Summary

- ◆ Belle II started operation in 2019, and the peak luminosity has achieved $L_{peak} \sim 0.5 \times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$.
- ◆ The Belle dataset has not been surpassed by Belle II, and now analyses combine the two data from the two experiments.
- ◆ Many charmonium-like states related works are in progress.
- ◆ Stay tuned for many results on the charmonium-like states from Belle II in the next few years.

Thanks for your attention!