Experimental results from BESIII

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BESIII detector



Completely new detector

Comparable performance to CLEO-c, + muon ID



Unique BESIII data set





+ 104 energy points between 3.85 and 4.59 GeV (R scan)

 $+\sim$ 20 energy points between 2.0 and 3.1 GeV

Direct production of 1⁻⁻ states studied with world's largest scan dataset



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large data sets of $\approx 4\,{\rm fb}^{-1}$ above 3.8 GeV for XYZ studies

Conventional cc states

Higher charmonium states





The X(3823) at Belle





Using full Belle data set of $772 \times 10^6 B\bar{B}$

 $B \to K \gamma \chi_{c1}$ simultaneous fit to B^+ and B^0

 3.8σ evidence

 $M = 3823.1 \pm 1.8 \pm 0.7 \,\mathrm{MeV}$ very narrow

Mass (and width) compatible with $\psi_2(1^3D_2)$ state



$e^+e^- ightarrow \pi^+\pi^- X(3823) ightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\gamma\chi_{c1}$

reconstruct $\chi_{c1,2} \rightarrow \gamma J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma \ell^+ \ell^$ look in mass recoiling against $\pi^+ \pi^-$ system, $M_{\text{recoil}}(\pi^+ \pi^-)$





Use 5 large data sets (total luminosity $\sim 4.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$)





 $M = 3821.7 \pm 1.3 \pm 0.7$ MeV, significance 6.7σ

 $\Gamma < 16 \, \text{MeV}$ at 90% C.L.



 $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- X(3823) \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\gamma\chi_{c1}$



Energy-dependent cross section for

$$e^+e^- \to \pi^+\pi^- X(3823) \to \pi^+\pi^-\gamma\chi_{c1}$$



Y(4360) and $\psi(4415)$ line shapes to guide the eye

Mass and width \sim in agreement with potential model prediction for $1^{3}D_{2}$ predicted to be narrow!

Production ratio

$$\begin{aligned} R_{21} &\equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(X(3823) \rightarrow \gamma \chi_{c2})}{\mathcal{B}(X(3823) \rightarrow \gamma \chi_{c1})} \\ &\sim 0.2 \quad \text{prediction} \\ &< 0.43 \quad \text{at } 90\% \text{ C.L.} \end{aligned}$$





 $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- X(3823) \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\gamma\chi_{c1}$



Angular distribution $\theta \equiv \angle (\pi \pi, \psi_2)$ assuming $\pi \pi$ system in *S*-wave: $1 + \cos^2 \theta$ for spin 2



Not enough statistics to distinguish S and D wave from data

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 J^P by exclusion: $1^1D_2 \rightarrow \gamma \chi_{c1}$ forbidden $1^3D_3 \rightarrow \gamma \chi_{c1}$ has zero amplitude

Good candidate for $\psi_2(1^3D_2)$



Higher charmonium states - a new family member!





Exotic states: the X and Y

 $Y(4260) \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+\pi^-$



 e^+e^- collisions near Y(4S)

in ISR production $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma_{\rm ISR} J/\psi \pi^+\pi^ \Rightarrow J^{PC} = 1^{--}$





 $Y(4260) \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+\pi^-$





 $Y(4260) \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+\pi^-$



- $\dots \ \Upsilon(4260) \to J/\psi \, \pi^+ \pi^-$
- $\dots \ \Upsilon(4360) \rightarrow \psi(2S) \pi^+ \pi^-$
- ... additional state at 4660 MeV
- supernumerary states: all 1⁻⁻ slots already taken
- → do not correspond to peaks in $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons})$



produce them directly at BESIII!





Clear ISR ψ' signal for validation X(3872) signal around 4.23 – 4.26 GeV









BESIII, PRL 112, 092001 (2014)





Suggestive of radiative transition $Y(4260) \rightarrow \gamma X(3872)$

Direct connection between the two states?

Data at 4.6 GeV to be analysed



BESIII, PRD **91**, 112005 (2015)

u Mode

Background fit

Total fit

Sideband



√s (GeV)

4.5 4.6

4.4

Compare to $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma_{\rm ISR}\eta J/\psi$ from Belle, PRD **87**, 051101(R) (2013)

M(γγ)(GeV/c²)

Good agreement, significantly better precision

220 E

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200

180

160

140

120

100

80 60

40

20

8.2

0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8 0.9

Cross section peaks around 4.2 GeV

Also searched for $e^+e^- \to \pi^0 J/\psi$: no significant signal found

4 4

-20

3.8 3.9



 $e^+e^-
ightarrow \eta J/\psi$ vs $e^+e^-
ightarrow \pi^+\pi^- J/\psi$

BESIII, PRD 91, 112005 (2015)



Compare to $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma_{\rm ISR}\pi^+\pi^-J/\psi$ from Belle, PRL **110**, 252002 (2013)

Very different line shape

→ Different dynamics at work in $e^+e^- \rightarrow \eta J/\psi$ compared to $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- J/\psi$



Search for $Y(4140) \rightarrow J/\psi\phi$

CDF first reported evidence for $Y(4140) \rightarrow J/\psi\phi$ in $B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\phi K^+$, also claimed by D0 and CMS



Not seen by LHCb, Belle (*B* decays and $\gamma\gamma$ events), or BABAR

 $J/\psi\phi$ system has C = +1: search in radiative transitions of charmonium or Y(4260)

If both Y(4260) and Y(4140) are charmonium hybrids: partial width of $Y(4260) \rightarrow \gamma Y(4140)$ may be up to several tens of keV N. Mahaian, PLB 679, 228 (2009)



Search for $Y(4140) \rightarrow J/\psi\phi$

BESIII, PRD 91, 032002 (2015)

Use BESIII's large data samples from 4.23 – 4.36 GeV (2.47 fb⁻¹ in total)

$$\begin{split} \mathrm{e}^{+}\mathrm{e}^{-} &\rightarrow \gamma J/\psi \phi \\ J/\psi &\rightarrow \mathrm{e}^{+}\mathrm{e}^{-}, \mu^{+}\mu^{-}, \\ \phi &\rightarrow K^{+}K^{-}, K^{0}_{S}K^{0}_{L}, \pi^{+}\pi^{-}\pi^{\prime} \end{split}$$





Search for $Y(4140) \rightarrow J/\psi\phi$

No significant signal found; place upper limits on $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma Y(4140)) \times \mathcal{B}(Y(4140) \rightarrow J/\psi\phi)$

Compare sensitivity to $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma X(3872) \times \mathcal{B}(X(3872) \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+\pi^-)$

\sqrt{s} / GeV	4.23	4.26	4.36
$\sigma \times \mathcal{B}(X(3872))/\text{pb}$	0.27 ± 0.09	0.33 ± 0.12	0.11 ± 0.09
$\sigma imes \mathcal{B}(Y(4140))/pb$	< 0.35	< 0.28	< 0.33

Assuming $\mathcal{B}(Y(4140) \rightarrow J/\psi \phi) \sim 30\%$ and $\mathcal{B}(X(3872) \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+\pi^-) \sim 5\%$:

 $\frac{\sigma[e^+e^- \to \gamma Y(4140)]}{\sigma[e^+e^- \to \gamma X(3872)]} < 0.1 \quad \text{at 4.23, 4.26 GeV}$



The $Z_{\rm C}$ family





...have hundreds of events!

3.05

3.1

3.15

M(e⁺e⁻) (GeV/c²)

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3.2

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Model $\pi^+\pi^-$ -system with known structure: $f_0(500)$, $f_0(980)$, non-resonant obtain good fit of $\pi^+\pi^-$ mass projection











BESIII, PRL **110**, 252001 (2013)

Charged charmonium-like structure

 $M = (3899.0 \pm 3.6 \pm 4.9) \text{ MeV/}c^2$ $\Gamma = (46 \pm 10 \pm 20) \text{ MeV}$

Confirmed by Belle PRL **110**, 252002 and with CLEOc data PLB 727, 366

Close to *DD** threshold Interpretation?



 $Z_c(3900)^+$ at $D\overline{D}^*$ threshold



BESIII, PRL 112, 022001 (2014)

Decay mode $Z_c(3900)^+ \rightarrow (D\overline{D}^*)^+$?



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Single tag analysis:

- reconstruct 'bachelor' π^+ and $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$ or $D^- \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^-$
- require D* in missing mass
- veto $e^+e^- \rightarrow (D^*\overline{D}^*)^0$
- apply kinematic fit; look in mass recoiling against π⁺







$Z_c(3900)^+$ at $D\overline{D}^*$ threshold





New: Double tag analysis

- reconstruct 'bachelor' π⁺ and D⁰, D⁻ in 4 or 6 decay modes
- kinematic fit, requiring π from D* in missing mass essentially background-free D*
- improved statistics, much better control over background shape, improved systematics

$$\blacksquare M^{\text{recoil}}(\pi^+) = M(D\bar{D}^*)$$





Simultaneous fit with phase space shape + $(BW \otimes \mathcal{R}) \times \varepsilon$ Compatible with, but significantly more precise, than single-tag analysis

$$\begin{split} M &= 3881.7 \pm 1.6 \pm 2.6 \, \text{MeV}/c^2 \\ \Gamma &= 26.6 \pm 2.0 \pm 2.3 \, \text{MeV} \end{split}$$



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$e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+ (D\bar{D}^*)^-$ with double tags: Results



Single and double tag analyses only share \sim 9% of events: samples statistically almost independent!

	$M_{\rm pole}[{\rm MeV}/c^2]$	$\Gamma_{\text{pole}}[\text{MeV}]$
Single <i>D</i> tags Double <i>D</i> tags	$\begin{array}{c} 3883.9 \pm 1.5 \pm 4.2 \\ 3881.7 \pm 1.6 \pm 2.6 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 24.8 \pm 3.3 \pm 11.0 \\ 26.6 \pm 2.0 \pm 2.3 \end{array}$
Combined	$3882.3 \pm 1.1 \pm 1.9$	$26.5 \pm 1.7 \pm 2.3$



$Z_c(3885)^+$ Quantum numbers?

 θ_{π} : angle between bachelor pion and beam axis in CMS Know initial state is 1⁻, with $J_z = \pm 1$. Depending on J^P of Z_c :

- 0⁺ excluded by parity conservation
- $0^ \pi$ and $Z_c(3885)$ in *P*-wave, with $J_z = \pm 1$
- $1^ \pi$ and $Z_c(3885)$ in *P*-wave
- 1⁺ π and $Z_c(3885)$ in S or D wave. Assume D wave small near threshold:



 $\Rightarrow dN/d\cos\theta_{\pi} \propto 1 - \cos^2\theta_{\pi}$

- \Rightarrow dN/d cos $\theta_{\pi} \propto 1 + \cos^2 \theta_{\pi}$
- \Rightarrow dN/d cos $\theta_{\pi} \propto 1$

Efficiency corrected event yield in 10 bins in $|\cos \theta_{\pi}|$

data clearly favour $J^P = 1^+$ for $D\overline{D}^*$ structure

confirms J^{P} for $Z_{C}(3885)$ from single-tags





A neutral partner to the $Z_c(3900)^+$?

BESIII, PRL 115, 112003 (2015)

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Study $e^+e^-
ightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 J/\psi$ with large data sets at three different \sqrt{s}



Significance 10σ



[.....(π⁰J/ψ) (MeV)

$Z_c(3885)^0$ in $e^+e^- \to (D\bar{D}^*)^0\pi^0$

Partial reconstruction technique:



- 1. Reconstruct bachelor π^0
- 2. Reconstruct D^+ (\overline{D}^0) in one of five (three) hadronic decay modes
- 3. Infer presence of \overline{D}^* by recoil mass







 $Z_{c}(3885)^{0}$ in $e^{+}e^{-} \rightarrow (D\overline{D}^{*})^{0}\pi^{0}$







J^{P} of $Z_{c}(3900)^{+}$

PWA of $e^+e^- \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+\pi^-$ with full datasets at 4.23 and 4.26 GeV (1.92 fb⁻¹)

Compare signal yields:



(scaled to luminosity of 4.23 GeV sample)

some differences in $\pi\pi$ system;

 $Z_{c}(3900)^{+}$ production cross section appears to be larger at 4.23 GeV





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Amplitudes in the fit:

- $\pi\pi$ *S*-wave: $f_0(500)$, $f_0(980)$, $f_0(1370)$
- $f_2(1270) \to \pi^+ \pi^-$
- $Z_c(3900)^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ + c.c.$ (Flatté-like lineshape, nominal fit: $J^P = 1^+$)
- nonresonant $J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$







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Observed signal yields and cross section $\sigma \times \mathcal{B} \equiv \sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow Z_c(3900)^{\pm}\pi^{\mp} \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+\pi^-$ from the PWA fit:

\sqrt{s}	N _{sig}	$\sigma imes \mathcal{B}$ [pb]
4.23 GeV 4.26 GeV	875.2±84.8 314.2±21.2	$\begin{array}{c} 20.3 \pm 2.0 \pm 4.8 \\ 10.1 \pm 0.7 \pm 1.3 \end{array}$



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Test different J^P assignments for Z_C(3900)^+:
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Replace Z_c(3900)^+(1^+) with Z_c(3900)^+(J^P) in the fit,
add Z_c(3900)^+(1^+),
observe change in likelihood for given \Delta(ndf)
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JP	$\Delta(-2\ln L)$	significance
1+ over 0-	89.0	7.3 <i>o</i>
1 ⁺ over 1 ⁻	214.0	$>$ 8 σ
1+ over 2-	103.6	$>$ 8 σ
1 ⁺ over 2 ⁺	387.0	$>$ 8 σ

Data clearly favours $J^P = 1^+$



 J^{P} of $Z_{c}(3900)^{+}$

Phase motion across $Z_c(3900)^+$ peak:

in seven 15 MeV/ c^2 wide bins across the $Z_c(3900)^+$ peak, replace amplitude for

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Fix other constants (couplings, ...) to values from nominal fit







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Rapid phase motion across peak; consistent with resonant behaviour





Comparison between $Z_c(3900)$ and $Z_c(3885)$

	$Z_c(3885) \rightarrow D\bar{D}^*$	$Z_c(3900) ightarrow \pi J/\psi$
Mass / MeV/c ²	$3882.3 \pm 1.1 \pm 1.9$	$3899.0 \pm 3.6 \pm 4.9$
Width / MeV	$26.5 \pm 1.7 \pm 2.3$	$46\pm10\pm20$
$\sigma \times \mathcal{B} / \text{ pb}$	$88.0 \pm 6.1 \pm 7.9$	$13.5 \pm 2.1 \pm 4.8$

Both are $J^P = 1^+$; mass and width compatible within $\sim 2\sigma$

If this is the same state decaying in two channels: open charm decays suppressed!

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(\psi(4040) \to D^{(*)}\bar{D}^{(*)})}{\mathcal{B}(\psi(4040) \to J/\psi\eta)} = 192 \pm 27$$
$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(Z_c \to D\bar{D}^*)}{\mathcal{B}(Z_c \to J/\psi\pi)} = 6.2 \pm 2.9$$

→ Different dynamics at work in $Y(4260) - Z_c(3900)$ system





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Exclusively reconstruct the process

$$\begin{split} &e^+e^- \to \pi^+\pi^-h_c(1P) \\ &h_c(1P) \to \gamma\eta_c(1S) \\ &\eta_c(1S) \to 16 \text{ decay channels} \end{split}$$





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Charged charmonium-like structure close to $D^*\overline{D}^*$ threshold

 $M = 4022.9 \pm 0.8 \pm 2.7 \,\mathrm{MeV}/c^2$

 $\Gamma = 7.9 \pm 2.7 \pm 2.6 \,\text{MeV}$

Note: no significant signal for $Z_c(3900)^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ h_c$ seen!



 $\psi(4^{3}S_{1})$

Y(4360

ψ' (2³ 3

 $h_c(3^1P_1)$

 $h_c(2^1P_1)$

 $h_{c}(1^{1}P_{1})$

 $\eta_{c}(4^{1}S_{0})$

 $\eta_{c}'(2^{1}S_{0})$

4.4

4.2

3.8

3.6

BESIII, PRL 113, 212002 (2014)



Neutral partner to $Z_{\rm c}(4020)^+$

 $\chi_{c2}(3^3P_2)$

 $\chi_{c2}(2^3P_2)$

m_{nā}

 $\chi_{c2}(1^3P_2)$

 2^{++}

 $\chi_{c0}(3^3P_0)$ $\chi_{c1}(3^3P_1)$

 $\chi_{c0}(2^3P_0)$

 $\chi_{c1}(2^3P_1)$

X(3872



 $M = 4023.6 \pm 4.5 \,\mathrm{MeV}/c^2$

Γ fixed in the fit

Isospin triplet found!





Yet another mass threshold ...



BESIII, PRL 112, 132001 (2014)

 $Z_c(4020)$ sits at D^*D^* threshold



Yet another mass threshold ...

BESIII, PRL 112, 132001 (2014)







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... and the neutral partner: $Z_c(4025)^0$



$$\begin{split} e^+e^- &\to (D^*\bar{D}^*)^0\pi^0 \\ &\to (D^{*0}\bar{D}^{*0})\pi^0 + (D^{*+}D^{*-})\pi^0 \end{split}$$

Use partial reconstruction technique:

- Reconstruct D, \overline{D} , and bachelor π^0
- Infer presence of D^{*} by selecting on mass recoiling against D

 ^{*}π⁰





Combine data sets at $\sqrt{s} = 4.23$, 4.26 GeV Enhancement at threshold visible No non-resonant process needed Fit with $BW \otimes R$, extract pole position

$$\begin{split} M_{\text{pole}} &= (4025.5^{+2.0}_{-4.7} \pm 3.1) \, \text{MeV}/c^2 \\ \Gamma_{\text{pole}} &= (23.0 \pm 6.0 \pm 1.0) \, \text{MeV} \end{split}$$



... and the neutral partner: $Z_c(4025)^0$

Comparison with the $Z_c(4025)^+ \rightarrow (D^*\bar{D}^*)^+$:



	Mass [MeV/c ²]	Width [MeV]	$\sigma(\mathbf{e}^+\mathbf{e}^- \to \mathbf{Z_c}\pi \to \mathbf{D^*\bar{D^*}\pi})[\mathbf{pb}]$
$Z_{c}(4025)^{+}$	$4026.3 \pm 2.6 \pm 3.7$	$24.8 \pm 5.6 \pm 7.7$	$42.2 \pm 2.8 \pm 4.6$
$Z_c(4025)^0$	$4025.5^{+2.0}_{-4.7}\pm3.1$	$23.0 \pm 6.0 \pm 1.0$	$43.4 \pm 8.0 \pm 5.4$

- Almost perfect agreement in resonance parameters
- and cross sections
- very small isospin violation?!



All the Z_c s from BESIII near $\sqrt{s} = 4.3 \,\text{GeV}$



Nature of these states? Isospin triplets? Different decay channels of the same states observed? Other decay modes?



Other decay modes?

Exploring new decay modes can help to identify nature of structures close to threshold





hidden charm



open charm hidde threshold effects!



Decay modes with cc annihilation does not involve hidden or open charm final states!

If $c\overline{c}$ in S-wave, annihilation could be as 'easy' as for J/ψ ... but theoretical predictions very difficult, order-of-magnitude only







What have we learned?

At BESIII, together with Belle and CLEO:

- Close to DD

 ^{*} and D^{*}D

 ^{*} thresholds: charged charmonium-like structures decaying into π⁺(cc

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- Close-by: structures in $D\overline{D}^*$ and $D^*\overline{D}^*$
- Prominently visible in data taken near $\sqrt{s} = 4.26 \cdots 4.36 \,\text{GeV}$ where 'supernumerary' 1⁻⁻ states lie
- In each of the decay modes, also observe neutral partner



What can we learn, and how?

- J^P of the newly-discovered states?
- Other states, with other charmonia? Yes! $Z_c(4430)^+ \rightarrow \psi(2S)\pi^+$ (first one, Belle & LHCb, in *B* decays) $Z_c(4050)^+, Z_c(4250)^+ \rightarrow \chi_{c1}\pi^+$, Belle, in *B* decays (not signif. in BABAR data) (Belle does not see $Z_c(3900)^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+$ in $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ K^-$, but something else!)
- Others? E.g. with η_c , ...
- Other decay modes, e.g. into light hadrons?
- If we've seen isospin triplets, are there isoscalars to be found?
- Strangeness partners? (e.g. $Y(2170) \rightarrow \phi f_0(980)$?)

Large experimental programme, which will define BESIII data taking in the next years Suggestions include fine scan ($\Delta E \sim 100 \text{ MeV}$) with 0.5 fb⁻¹ per point



