# Charmonium decays at **BESII**

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# **BESII Experiment**

BESIII (BEijing Spectrometer III) is an experiment located at the BEPCII (Beijing Electron Positron Collider II) at IHEP (Institute of High Energy Physics)

Multi-layer Drift Chamber Time of Flight Detector EM Calorimeter 1T Solenoidal Magnet **Muon Detector** 

τ-charm factory 2.0 GeV ≤  $\sqrt{s}$  ≤ 4.9 GeV with a 10<sup>33</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup> designed luminosity  $@\sqrt{s} = 3.77 \text{ GeV}$ 

Being **BEPCII** an e+e- collider, BESIII can profit from direct production of vector states ( $J^{PC} = 1^{--}$ )

The statistics of the  $\psi(nS)$  decays allows to probe and study with high **precision** also the non vector states

BESIII has also unique opportunities with datasets above 3.8 GeV







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**Recent study about XYZ particles** at **BESIII** by J. Bloms

Light meson spectroscopy at **BESIII** by Jinfei Wu

**Results of J**/ $\psi$  Weak Decay Searching at **BESIII** by Chuang-xin Lin







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by fitting the M<sub>pn</sub> distribution requiring M<sub>pn</sub> to be within the signal region (1.17 < SR < 1.20 GeV/ $c^2$ )

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Violation of the "12% rule" in accordance with the previous measurement in the  $\Sigma^0 \overline{\Sigma}^0$  final states by BESIII [PRD 95, 052003 (2017)]







**Tension with CLEO-c** result <sup>[1]</sup> of (12.30 ± 2.4) × 10<sup>-6</sup> **Consistent** within  $1\sigma/2\sigma$  (depending on the  $\psi(3686)$ continuum interference) wrt **theoretical prediction**<sup>[2]</sup>

> <sup>[1]</sup> Phys. Rev. D **96**, 092004 <sup>[2]</sup> Int. J. Mod. Phys. A **30**, 1550148









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## Same channel selection: $\Lambda(\Lambda) \rightarrow pn^{-}(\overline{p}n^{+})$

Mode	$\mathcal{B}(\psi(3686) \to \gamma \chi_{cJ})$	$\mathcal{B}\left(\chi_{cJ}  ightarrow \Lambda ar{\Lambda} ight)$		
WIOUC	$ imes \mathcal{B}\left(\chi_{cJ}  ightarrow \Lambda \overline{\Lambda} ight)\left(10^{-5} ight)$	This work		
$\chi_{c0}$	$3.56\pm0.10\pm0.10$	$3.64 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.07$		
$\chi_{c1}$	$1.28\pm0.06\pm0.06$	$1.31 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.03$		
$\chi_{c2}$	$1.82\pm0.08\pm0.17$	$1.91 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.17 \pm 0.04$		
Dı	ue to the uncertainty on the			

 $\mathcal{BR}(\psi(3686) \rightarrow \gamma \chi_{cJ})$ 



 $M(\Lambda \overline{\Lambda}) \text{ GeV/c}^2$ 

Improvements on the  $\mathcal{BR}$  knowledge for the J = 0,1 states Results keep not being consistent with theoretical predictions (e.g.,  $1.19 \sim 1.51 \times 10^{-4}$  for  $\chi_{c0}$ )<sup>[3]</sup>

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First observation of the  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma \chi_{c(1,2)}$  process between 4-5 GeV  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma \chi_{c1} @ 7.6\sigma$  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma \chi_c 2 @6.0\sigma$ 

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For energy points with  $\mathcal{L}_{int} < 200 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ ,

number of signal events by counting the events in the signal region (SR) subtracted by the events in the sideband regions (SBR)

	SR [GeV]	SBR [GeV]
Хс <b>1</b>	3.49 < M( <sub>γL</sub> J/ψ) < 3.53	3.42 < M(γ <sub>L</sub> J/ψ) <
Хс <b>2</b>	3.54 < M( <sub>γL</sub> J/ψ) < 3.58	3.60 < M(γ <sub>L</sub> J/ψ) <

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> Interference between continuum and other components was found to be small



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Resonance @4.39 has a significance of  $5.8\sigma$ 



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Data set:  
16 fb<sup>-1</sup>  
@ 4.008 < 
$$\sqrt{s}$$
 < 4.600 GeV  
Channel selection Only the energy points  
 $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma \chi_c \mathbf{0} \rightarrow$   
 $\gamma[(K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-)/(K^+K^-)/2(\pi^+\pi^-)]$ 

Number of signal events by fitting simultaneously 3 invariant mass distributions

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3.3

3.35

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 $M(K^{+}K^{-})$  (GeV/c<sup>2</sup>)

3.45





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$$\pi^{+}\pi^{-}J/\psi$$

$$\pi^{0}\pi^{0}J/\psi$$

$$\eta J/\psi$$

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$$\frac{\gamma \chi_{c0} \to \gamma \chi_{c0} \to \gamma[(K^{+}K^{-})/(\pi^{+}\pi^{-})]}{\chi_{c0} \to \gamma \chi_{c0} \to \gamma[(K^{+}K^{-})/(\pi^{+}\pi^{-})]}$$

Above DD threshold











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	7 decay modes studied	$N^{\psi_2(3823)}$
	$\gamma \chi_{c1}$ $\gamma \chi_{c2}$	$63.1 \pm 8.5$ $8.8^{+4.3}$
	$\frac{\pi^{+}\pi^{-}J/\psi}{\pi^{0}\pi^{0}J/\psi}$	<21.0
	$\eta J/\psi$ $\pi^0 J/\psi$	<9.8 <5.6
		< 6.3

DD threshold

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 $\mathcal{B}(\psi_2(3823) \rightarrow \cdots)$  $\overline{\mathcal{B}(\psi_2(3823) \rightarrow \gamma \chi_{c1})}$ 

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 $0.28^{+0.14}_{-0.11}\pm0.02$ < 0.06< 0.11 < 0.14 < 0.03 < 0.24

**Consistent** within  $1\sigma$  wrt theoretical prediction

(0.317 - 0.324)<sup>[4]</sup> of

 $\frac{\mathcal{B}(\psi(1^3D_2) \rightarrow \gamma \chi_{c2})}{\mathcal{B}(\psi(1^3D_2) \rightarrow \gamma \chi_{c1})}$ 

<sup>[4]</sup> Phys. Rev. D **95**, 034026







Data set: 9 fb<sup>-1</sup> @4.3 <  $\sqrt{s}$  < 4.7 GeV Reaction:  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0\psi_2(3823) \rightarrow \gamma\chi_{c1}$ 

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$$\frac{\sigma(e^+e^- \to \pi^0 \pi^0 \psi_2(3823))}{\sigma(e^+e^- \to \pi^+ \pi^- \psi_2(3823))} = 0.63^{+0.22}_{-0.20} \pm 0.63^{+0.20}_{-0.20} \pm$$

Isospin conservation is confirmed within the uncertainty



Above DD threshold







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Measurement of Branching Fractions of J/ $\psi$  and  $\psi$ (3686) decays to  $\Sigma^+$  and  $\Sigma^-$ Measurements of the branching fractions of  $\psi(3686) \rightarrow \Sigma^0 \Lambda + c.c.$  and  $\chi_{cJ(J=0, 1, 2)} \rightarrow \Lambda \Lambda$ 

Measurement of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma \chi_{cJ}$  cross sections at center-of-mass energies between 3.77 and 4.60 GeV arXiv:2107.03604 Submitted to PRD

Search for new decay modes of the  $\psi_2(3823)$  and the process  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \psi_2(3823)$ Phys. Rev. D **103**, L091102

Phys. Rev. D **103**, 112004

### More interesting results are expected with the full J/ $\psi$ and $\psi$ (3686) data samples

# Thank you for the attention!





## Search for New Hadronic Decays of h<sub>c</sub> Data sets ('09 - '12): and Observation of $h_c \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ ψ(3686) - 0.45 × 10<sup>9</sup>

Predictions of the decay process  $h_c \rightarrow light hadrons 14 - 48\%$ <sup>[1]</sup>

Best-measured decay mode is the radiative transition (51%)  $h_c \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c$ 

Sum of all other known  $\mathcal{BR} < 3\%$ 



### First observation of the **h<sub>c</sub> decaying to** mesons carrying **strangeness**



<sup>[I]</sup> Phys. Rev. D **37**, 1210



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10 decay modes studied		
(i)	$K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$	
(ii)	$\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0\eta$	
(iii)	$K^0_S K^{\pm} \pi^{\mp} \pi^{+} \pi^{-}$	
(iv)	$K^+K^-\pi^0$	
(v)	$K^+K^-\eta$	
(vi)	$K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-\eta$	
(vii)	$2(K^+K^-)\pi^0$	
(viii)	$K^+K^-\pi^0\eta$	
(ix)	$K^0_S K^{\pm} \pi^{\mp}$	
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# Search for New Hadronic Decays of $h_c$ Data sets ('09 - '12): $\psi(3686) - 0.45 \times 10^9$

 $\mathcal{B}(h_c \to X) \cdot \mathcal{B}(\psi(3686) \to \pi^0 h_c) = \frac{N_T}{N_{\psi(3686)}}$ 

	10 decay modes studied	$N_{h_c}$	$\mathcal{B}(\psi(3686) \to \pi^0 h_c) \times \mathcal{B}(h_c \to X)$
<b>6.0</b> σ (i)	$K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$	$80\pm15$	$(2.8\pm0.5\pm0.3) imes10^{-6}$
<b>3.6σ</b> (ii)	$\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0\eta$	$35\pm9$	$(6.2 \pm 1.6 \pm 0.7)  imes 10^{-6}$
		< 50.0	$< 1.5 \times 10^{-5}$
$\textbf{3.8} \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathrm{iii})$	$K^0_S K^\pm \pi^\mp \pi^+ \pi^-$	$41\pm13$	$(2.4\pm0.7\pm0.3) imes10^{-6}$
		< 65.3	$< 3.9  imes 10^{-6}$
(iv)	$K^+K^-\pi^0$	< 20.1	$< 4.8 \times 10^{-7}$
(v)	$K^+K^-\eta$	< 18.5	$< 7.5 \times 10^{-7}$
(vi)	$K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-\eta$	< 24.1	$< 2.0 \times 10^{-6}$
(vii)	$2(K^+K^-)\pi^0$	< 11.7	$<2.1\times10^{-7}$
(viii)	$K^+K^-\pi^0\eta$	< 20.2	$< 1.8 \times 10^{-6}$
(ix)	$K^0_S K^\pm \pi^\mp$	< 17.4	$< 4.8 \times 10^{-7}$
(x)	$par{p}\pi^0\pi^0$	< 11.8	$< 4.4 \times 10^{-7}$



$$rac{V_{h_c}}{\cdot \prod_i \mathcal{B}_i \cdot arepsilon}.$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathcal{B}(h_c \rightarrow X) \\ (3.3 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-3} \\ (7.2 \pm 1.8 \pm 1.3) \times 10^{-3} \\ < 1.8 \times 10^{-2} \\ (2.8 \pm 0.9 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{-3} \\ < 4.7 \times 10^{-3} \\ < 5.8 \times 10^{-4} \\ < 9.1 \times 10^{-4} \\ < 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \\ < 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \\ < 2.2 \times 10^{-3} \\ < 5.7 \times 10^{-4} \\ < 5.2 \times 10^{-4} \end{array}$$

Summing up the  $\mathcal{BR}$  of these decays, one gets ~1.3% to all  $h_c$  decays

More studied are needed to establish if hadronic decays of the  $h_c$  are same order as the radiative ones [II]

<sup>[II]</sup> Phys. Rev. D 46, R1914





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## Search for New Hadronic Decays of h<sub>c</sub> and Observation of $h_c \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ UL determination procedure

## **Bayesian approach**

1) Signal yield is scanned using the fit function

2) Systematic uncertainties are introduced by smearing the likelihood function with a Gaussian one (width of which is set to the systematic uncertainty of the corresponding decay mode)



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Sig: Breit-Wigner (mass and width of h<sub>c</sub> fixed to PDG values) convoluted with detector resolution

BKG: ARGUS function with kinematical threshold of 3551 MeV/c<sup>2</sup>







# Search for the rare semi-leptonic decay $J/\psi \rightarrow D^-e^+v_e + c.c.$

Data set:  $J/\psi - 10.1 \times 10^9$ Channel selection:  $J/\psi \rightarrow D^-e^+v_e \rightarrow (K^+\pi^-\pi^-)e^+v_e)$ 

No signal (negative number of events is interpreted as such) is found, hence an upper limit is set

The  $\mathscr{BR}(J/\psi \rightarrow D^-e^+v_e) < 7.1 \times 10^{-8}$  @90% C.L. (systematics are included) improves the superseded results by ~170 times <sup>[III]</sup>

The  $\mathscr{BR}(J/\psi \rightarrow D^-e^+v_e)$  is also compatible with SM predictions of ~10<sup>-11 [IV]</sup>

> <sup>[III]</sup> Phys. Lett. B 639, 418 <sup>[IV]</sup> Phys. Rev. D 92, 074030

Charmonium decays can also probe the SM







# Search for the rare semi-leptonic decay $J/\psi \rightarrow D^-e^+v_e + c.c.$

## UL determination procedure

### **Bayesian approach**

Likelihood scan, with N<sub>signal</sub> ranging from -70 to 70 (with steps of 0.1)

Uncertainties from the fit range and the background shape of the U<sub>miss</sub> are included in the fit and the largest likelihood value is retained as the most conservative result

Other systematic uncertainties are implemented as prescribed in Ref. [V]

<sup>[V]</sup> Chin. Phys. C 39, 103001

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Distribution of the normalised smeared likelihood Grey area corresponds to the 90% CL







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# Observation of the decays $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow nK^0\Lambda + c.c.$

Mode	$N_{1,J}$		BF $(10^{-4})$
$\chi_{c0}$	$1288\pm50$	6.6	$57 \pm 0.26 \pm 0.41$
$\chi_{c1}$	$410\pm30$	1.7	$1\pm0.12\pm0.12$
$\chi_{c2}$	$900 \pm 41$	3.6	$66\pm0.17\pm0.23$
$\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow nK^0 \Lambda + c.c. decay$			
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# Observation of the decays $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow nK^0\overline{\Lambda} + c.c.$

-	Mode	$N_{1,J}$		BF $(10^{-4})$	<i>BR</i> (pK <sup>-</sup> /
-	$\chi_{c0}$	$1288 \pm 50$	6	$.67 \pm 0.26 \pm 0.41$	 1.98 ± (
	$\chi_{c1}$	$410\pm30$	1	$.71 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.12$	2.64 ± (
	$\chi_{c2}$	$900 \pm 41$	3	$.66 \pm 0.17 \pm 0.23$	2.29 ± (
X b	$_{cJ} \rightarrow nK^{0}$	Λ + c.c. decay or the first tim	y ne		
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 $\wedge)/\mathcal{BR}(nK^0\Lambda)$ 

- $0.09 \pm 0.14$
- $0.23 \pm 0.20$
- $0.13 \pm 0.16$

*S*≈ checked with isospin conjugate  $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow pK^{-}\Lambda + c.c.$  <sup>[VI]</sup> and no isospin violation is found within the uncertainty

<sup>[VI]</sup> Phys. Rev. D 87, 012007





# Observation of the decays $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow nK^0\Lambda + c.c.$



<sup>[VI]</sup> Phys. Rev. D 87, 012007



