

**BES III**

# Stato e Risultati

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Propaganda: **BESIII** at BEPCII



$f_0(980) \sim a_0(980)$  mixing



$\eta(1405) \rightarrow f_0(980)\pi^0$

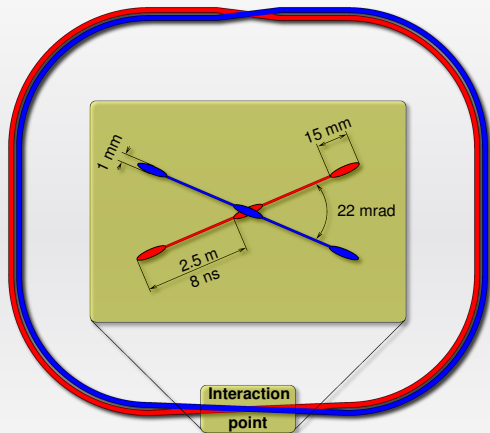


$J/\psi \rightarrow p\bar{p}$  and  $J/\psi \rightarrow n\bar{n}$



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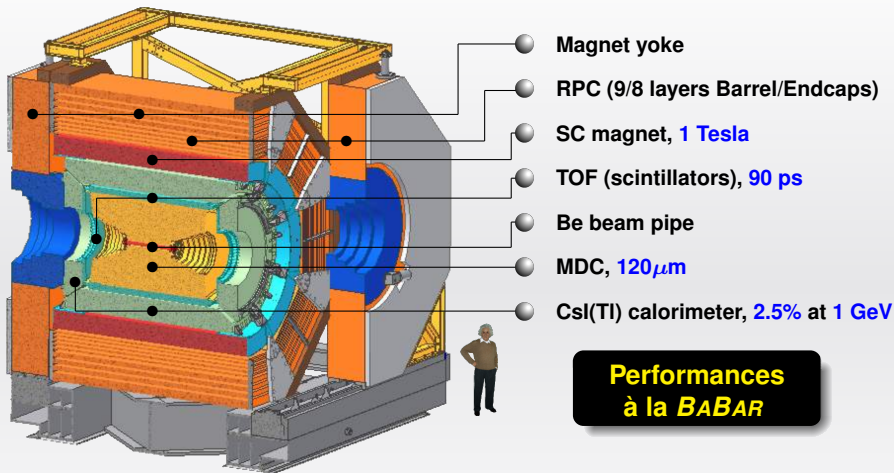
# BEPCII: $e^+e^-$ double ring collider



## Design Features

- Beam energy: 1.0 - 2.3 GeV
- Crossing angle: 22 mrad
- Luminosity:  $10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
- Optimum energy: 1.89 GeV
- Energy spread:  $5.16 \times 10^{-4}$
- Number of bunches: 93
- Bunch length: 15 mm
- Total current: 0.91 A
- Circumference: 240 m

# The BESIII detector

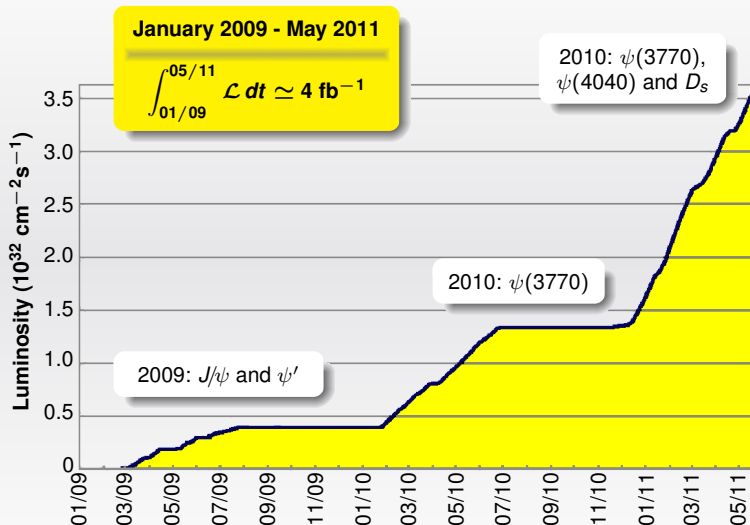


**Performances  
à la BABAR**

On April 14<sup>th</sup> 2009 BESIII finished accumulating the first large data set of more than **100 million  $\psi'$  events**. This is the world's largest  $\psi'$  data set.

BEPCII reached a peak luminosity of  **$0.65 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$**

# BEPCII luminosity trend since startup



- $R_{\text{had}}$  and precision test of Standard Model
- Light hadron spectroscopy ( $\phi f_0(980)$ ,  $\phi\pi^0$ , ...)
- Charm and charmonium physics
- Search for new physics / new particles
- $\tau$  physics
- Precision measurements of CKM matrix elements

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$\tau^+\tau^-$	3.67	1.0	$1.2 \times 10^7$
$\psi'$	3.69	1.0	$3.0 \times 10^9$
$D^*\bar{D}^*$	3.77	1.0	$2.5 \times 10^7$
$D_s\bar{D}_s$	4.03	0.6	$1.0 \times 10^6$
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## Nonperturbative Quantum Chromodynamics

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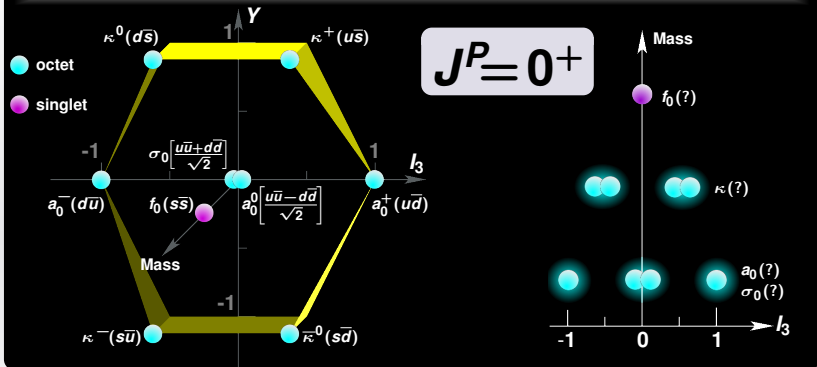


# The $f_0(980)$ scalar meson at BESIII

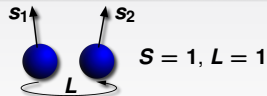


# The $q\bar{q}$ scalar nonet

The light quarks  $u$ ,  $d$  and  $s$  form the  $SU(3)$  flavor nonet:  $q^3 \otimes \bar{q}^3 = [\bar{q}q]^1 \oplus [\bar{q}q]^8$



Is the  $f_0(980)$  ( $M = 980$  MeV) an  $n^{2S+1}L_J = 1^3P_0$  element of the scalar  $q\bar{q}$  nonet of flavor  $SU(3)$ ?



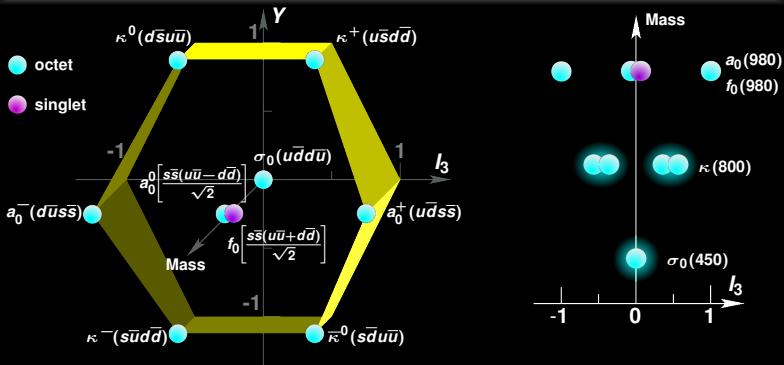
Why its isovector partner  $a_0(980)$  ( $M = 980$  MeV) has similar mass and width?

# The $q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$ cryptoexotic scalar nonet

States  $q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$  include exotics in **27**, **10** and  $\bar{\mathbf{10}}$  representations of flavor  $SU(3)$

The light states are **Q**-dominated  $\Rightarrow$   
there are only **non-exotic** representations

$$\bar{\mathbf{3}} \otimes \mathbf{3} = [\bar{\mathbf{3}}\mathbf{1}]^1 \oplus [\bar{\mathbf{3}}\mathbf{1}]^8$$

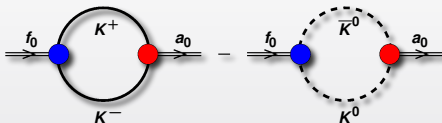


- The mass hierarchy is inverted
- There is  $f_0(980)$ - $a_0(980)$  mass degeneracy

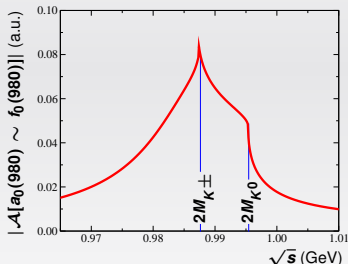
# Studying $a_0(980)$ and $f_0(980)$ via their mixing

The isospin-one  $a_0(980)$  and isospin-zero  $f_0(980)$ , degenerate in mass, couple to  $K\bar{K}$

The common  $K\bar{K}$  intermediate states mediate the isospin violating  $a_0(980) \sim f_0(980)$  mixing



The proximity of the  $K\bar{K}$  thresholds to the  $f_0(980)/a_0(980)$  mass enhances the mixing amplitude  $\mathcal{A}[a_0(980) \sim f_0(980)]$  and hence the isospin-violating effect

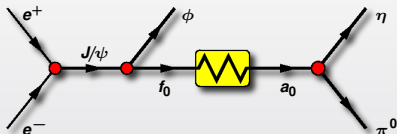


The amplitude  $\mathcal{A}[a_0(980) \sim f_0(980)]$  is highly sensitive to the scalar mesons structure  
..... standard  $q\bar{q}$  .....  $q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$  tetraquark .....  $K\bar{K}$  molecule .....  $q\bar{q}g$  hybrid .....

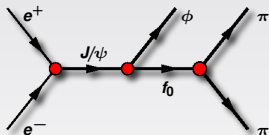
# $a_0(980) \sim f_0(980)$ mixing at BESIII: the channels

$f_0(980) \rightarrow a_0(980)$

Mixing:  $|I = 0\rangle \rightarrow |I = 1\rangle$



No mixing:  $|I = 0\rangle \rightarrow |I = 0\rangle$

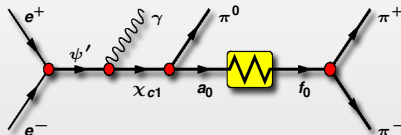


$f_0(980) \rightarrow a_0(980)$  transition intensity

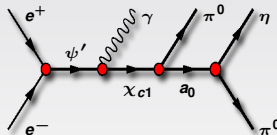
$$T_{a_0}^{f_0} = \frac{\Gamma(J/\psi \rightarrow \phi f_0 \sim \phi a_0 \rightarrow \phi \eta \pi^0)}{\Gamma(J/\psi \rightarrow \phi f_0 \rightarrow \phi \pi \pi)}$$

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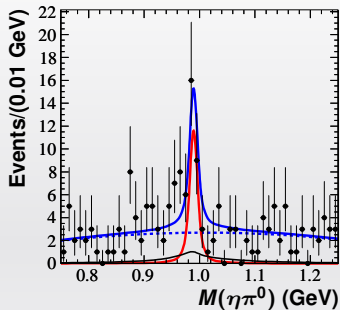
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$a_0(980) \rightarrow f_0(980)$  transition intensity

$$T_{f_0}^{a_0} = \frac{\Gamma(\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \pi^0 a_0 \sim \pi^0 f_0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^+ \pi^-)}{\Gamma(\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \pi^0 a_0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \eta)}$$

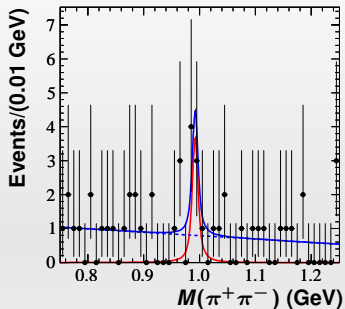
$$J/\psi \rightarrow \phi f_0 \sim \phi a_0 \rightarrow \phi \eta \pi^0$$



- Sample of  $2.25 \times 10^8$   $J/\psi$
- Backgrounds:  
 $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma^* \rightarrow \phi a_0$   
 $e^+e^- \rightarrow J/\psi \rightarrow K^* \bar{K} + \text{c.c.} \rightarrow \phi a_0$
- Mixing events:  $25.8 \pm 8.6$

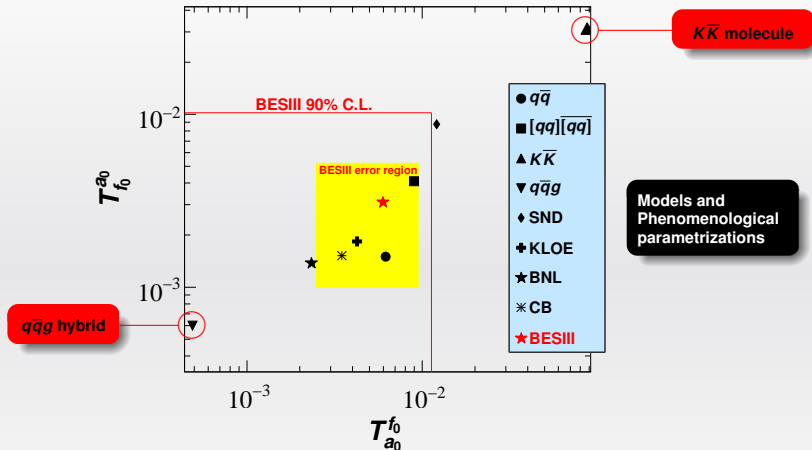
$$T_{a_0}^{f_0} = (0.60 \pm \underbrace{0.20}_{\text{stat.}} \pm \underbrace{0.12}_{\text{syst.}} \pm \underbrace{0.26}_{\text{param.}}) \%$$

$$\psi' \rightarrow \chi_{c1} \gamma \rightarrow \pi^0 a_0 \gamma \sim \pi^0 f_0 \gamma \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$$

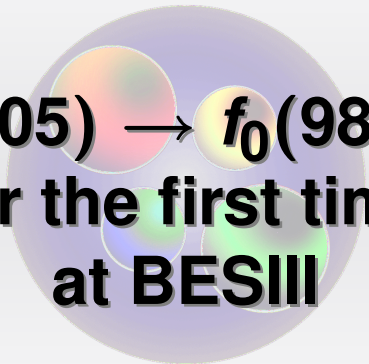


- Sample of  $1.06 \times 10^8$   $\psi'$
- No resonant background
- Mixing events:  $6.4 \pm 3.2$

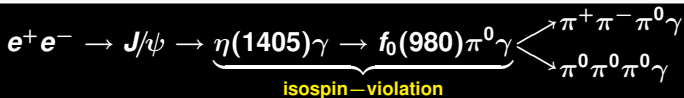
$$T_{f_0}^{a_0} = (0.31 \pm \underbrace{0.16}_{\text{stat.}} \pm \underbrace{0.14}_{\text{syst.}} \pm \underbrace{0.03}_{\text{param.}}) \%$$



With higher statistics BESIII will be able to significantly reduce the allowed region

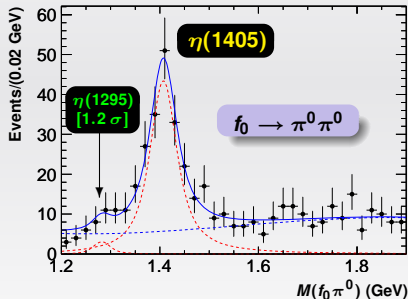
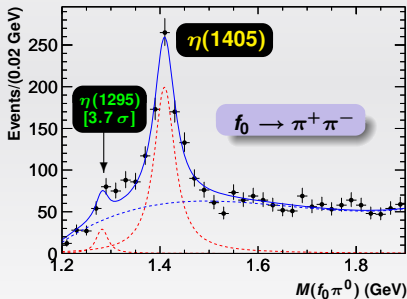


$\eta(1405) \rightarrow f_0(980)\pi^0$   
for the first time  
at BESIII



The  $\eta(1405)$  nature has been determined by studying the  $f_0\pi^0$  angular distribution

First observation of:  $J/\psi \rightarrow f_0(980)\pi^0\gamma$  and  $\eta(1405) \rightarrow f_0(980)\pi^0$



$$\text{BR}[J/\psi \rightarrow \eta(1405)\gamma \rightarrow f_0\pi^0\gamma \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0\gamma] = (1.50 \pm 0.11_{\text{stat.}} \pm 0.11_{\text{syst.}}) \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\text{BR}[J/\psi \rightarrow \eta(1405)\gamma \rightarrow f_0\pi^0\gamma \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0\pi^0\gamma] = (7.10 \pm 0.82_{\text{stat.}} \pm 0.72_{\text{syst.}}) \times 10^{-6}$$



The branching ratio of the  $J/\psi$  **isospin-conserving** decay in the  $\eta\pi^0\pi^0\gamma$  final state via  $\eta(1405)$  and  $a_0(980)$  is

$$\text{BR}[J/\psi \rightarrow \eta(1405)\gamma \rightarrow a_0\pi^0\gamma \rightarrow \eta\pi^0\pi^0\gamma] = (8.40 \pm 1.75) \times 10^{-5}$$

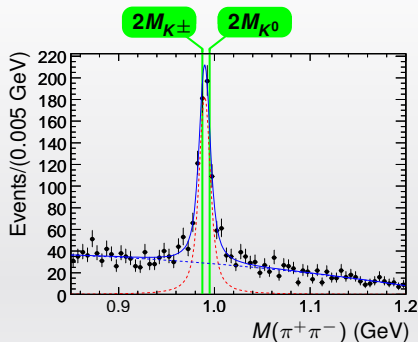
Assuming that the  $J/\psi$  **isospin-violating** decay in the  $\pi^0/\pi^0/\pi^0\gamma$  final state proceeds mainly through the  $f_0(980) \sim a_0(980)$  **oscillation** which occurs with a probability of the order of **0.6%** we expect a branching fraction

$$\text{BR}[J/\psi \rightarrow \eta(1405)\gamma \rightarrow a_0\pi^0\gamma \sim f_0\pi^0\gamma \rightarrow \pi^0/\pi^0/\pi^0\gamma] = (5 \pm 1) \times 10^{-7}$$

The BESIII measurement gives

$$\text{BR}[J/\psi \rightarrow \eta(1405)\gamma \rightarrow f_0\pi^0\gamma \rightarrow \pi^0/\pi^0/\pi^0\gamma] = (2.2 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-5}$$

**Large isospin violation:**  $\frac{\text{BR}[\eta(1405) \rightarrow f_0(980)\pi^0]}{\text{BR}[\eta(1405) \rightarrow a_0(980)\pi^0]} \simeq 0.26$

**Parameters of  $f_0(980)$  reco. in  $\pi^+\pi^-$** 

$$M_{f_0(\pi^+\pi^-)} = 989.9 \pm 0.4 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Gamma_{f_0(\pi^+\pi^-)} = 9.5 \pm 1.1 \text{ MeV}$$

**PDG**

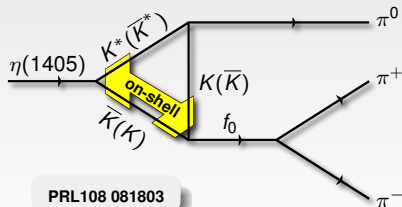
$$M_{f_0} = 980 \pm 10 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Gamma_{f_0} = 40 - 100 \text{ MeV}$$

The  $[K^* \bar{K} + \text{c.c.}]$  loop contribution to the isospin-violating amplitude is enhanced because:

$$\eta(1405) \rightarrow [K^* \bar{K} + \text{c.c.}]_{\text{on-shell}} \rightarrow \dots$$

$$\dots \rightarrow [K \bar{K} + \text{c.c.}]_{\text{on-shell}} \rightarrow f_0(980)$$



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**$J/\psi \rightarrow p\bar{p}$  and  $J/\psi \rightarrow n\bar{n}$**   
**at BESIII**

$$J/\psi \rightarrow N\bar{N}$$

# Strong and electromagnetic amplitudes

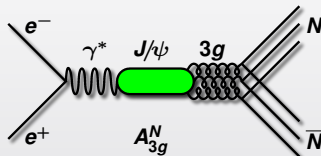
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The  $J/\psi \rightarrow N\bar{N}$  decay is a very good test of pQCD

The 3 gluons in the **OZI-violating** strong amplitude just match the 3  $q\bar{q}$  pairs of the  $N\bar{N}$  final state

The strong amplitudes for  $J/\psi \rightarrow p\bar{p}$  and  $J/\psi \rightarrow n\bar{n}$  are equal because the  $J/\psi$  has isospin zero

The strong amplitude  $A_{3g}^N \equiv A_{3g}$  is **real** ( $\leftarrow$ pQCD)

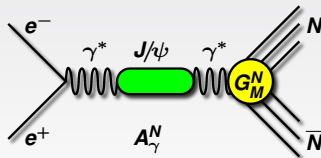


The  $J/\psi \rightarrow N\bar{N}$  decay has a subdominant electromagnetic (EM) contribution:  $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma^* \rightarrow N\bar{N}$

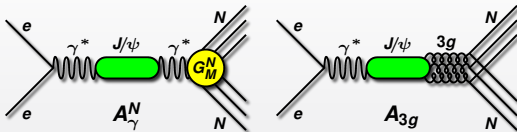
The EM amplitude depends on the electric and magnetic form factors (ff) that describe the  $\gamma^* N\bar{N}$  vertex

At the  $J/\psi$  mass the main contribution comes from the magnetic ff's that are almost real and:

$$G_M^p(M_{J/\psi}^2) \simeq -G_M^n(M_{J/\psi}^2) > 0$$



# $B(J/\psi \rightarrow n\bar{n}) / B(J/\psi \rightarrow p\bar{p})$



**Proton:**  $BR(J/\psi \rightarrow p\bar{p}) \sim |A_\gamma^p + A_{3g}|^2 = |A_\gamma^p|^2 + |A_{3g}|^2 + 2 \operatorname{Re}[A_\gamma^{p*} A_{3g}]$

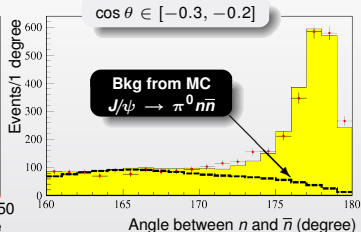
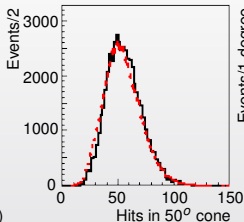
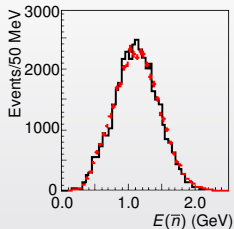
**Neutron:**  $BR(J/\psi \rightarrow n\bar{n}) \sim |A_\gamma^n + A_{3g}|^2 = |A_\gamma^n|^2 + |A_{3g}|^2 - 2 \operatorname{Re}[A_\gamma^{n*} A_{3g}]$

Assuming as real both the strong,  $A_{3g}$ , and the EM amplitude,  $A_\gamma^{p,n}$ , the interference is maximum, but with opposite sign for neutron and proton

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\frac{BR(J/\psi \rightarrow n\bar{n})}{BR(J/\psi \rightarrow p\bar{p})} \simeq \frac{1}{2}$$

## $n\bar{n}$ identification



**BESIII**

$$\text{BR}(J/\psi \rightarrow n\bar{n}) = (2.07 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.17) \cdot 10^{-3}$$

$$\text{BR}(J/\psi \rightarrow p\bar{p}) = (2.112 \pm 0.004 \pm 0.031) \cdot 10^{-3}$$

**PDG**

$$\text{BR}(J/\psi \rightarrow n\bar{n}) = (2.2 \pm 0.4) \cdot 10^{-3}$$

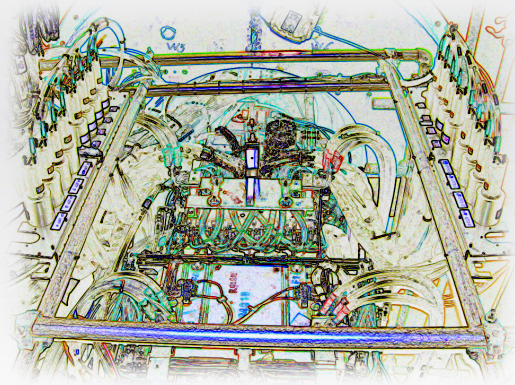
$$\text{BR}(J/\psi \rightarrow p\bar{p}) = (2.17 \pm 0.07) \cdot 10^{-3}$$

### Phase between strong and EM amplitudes

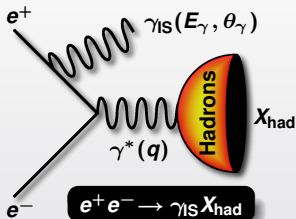
$$\phi = \cos^{-1} \left[ \frac{\text{BR}(J/\psi \rightarrow p\bar{p}) - A_{3g}^2 - (A_\gamma^p)^2}{2 A_{3g} A_\gamma^p} \right] = (88.7 \pm 8.1)^\circ$$



# The ZDD at BESIII



# Initial State Radiation



**ISR**  
cross section

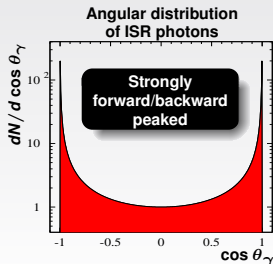
$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dE_\gamma d\theta_\gamma} = \underbrace{W(E_\gamma, \theta_\gamma)}_{\text{radiator function}} \cdot \underbrace{\sigma_{e^+e^- \rightarrow X_{had}}(q^2)}_{\text{cross section}}$$

**ISR technique at fixed-energy machines yield the same observables of  $e^+e^-$  experiments with energy scan**

All  $q^2$  at the same time  $\Rightarrow$  **better control on systematics**

Detected ISR  $\Rightarrow$  **full  $X_{had}$  angular coverage**

CM boost  $\Rightarrow$  **at threshold:  $\epsilon \neq 0$  and  $\Delta E \sim 1 \text{ MeV}$**



The acceptance at large angle is equivalent to the one, **almost point-like**, in the forward-backward direction

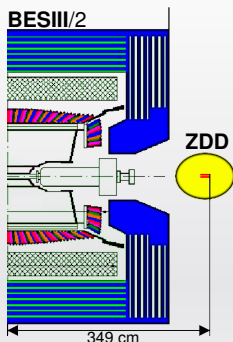
$$\int_{[20^\circ, 160^\circ]} \frac{dN}{d \cos \theta_\gamma} d \cos \theta_\gamma \simeq \int_{2 \times [-0.2^\circ, 0.2^\circ]} \frac{dN}{d \cos \theta_\gamma} d \cos \theta_\gamma$$

A zero-degree radiative photon tagger will suppress most of the background due to misidentified  $\pi^0$ 's

$\pi^0$ 's are produced with high BR's by  $c\bar{c}$  resonances



# ZDD, the zero-degree detector



Each section is made of two modules, upper and lower, volume  $14 \times 4 \times 6 \text{ cm}^3$  each

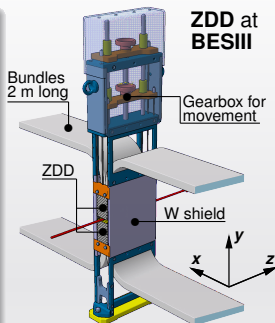
The empty 10 mm-wide slot between the upper and lower module geometrically suppresses the Bremsstrahlung background

The calorimeters are arrays of scintillating fibers (60% in volume) embedded in lead

The fibers are lined up along the  $y$  axis and read out from the upper or lower face

The modules are segmented in the  $xz$  plane the first layer has a thinner segmentation to have a better  $x$ -resolution

The signal is extracted and channeled to PM's through bundles of clear optical fibers



## The ZDD Chronicles

- 01/2011-06/2011: construction and assembling of a ZDD station (two modules)
- 06/2011-08/2011: tests with cosmic rays and at the Frascati Beam Facility

$$\frac{\sigma_E}{E} = 12.4\% \quad E = 450 \text{ MeV.}$$

- August 2011: installation of the first ZDD station in the East side region of BESIII

## Many other analyses:

- Precision measurement of the branching fractions of  $J/\psi \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$  and  $\psi' \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$
- Search for a light Higgs-like boson  $A^0$  in  $J/\psi$  radiative decays
- Search for  $\eta'_c$  decays into vector meson pairs
- Higher-order multipole amplitude measurement in  $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma\chi_{c2}$
- Search for CP and P violating pseudoscalar decays into  $\pi\pi$
- Observation of  $\chi_{c1}$  decays into vector meson pairs  $\phi\phi, \omega\omega$ , and  $\omega\phi$
- Study of  $\chi_{cJ}$  radiative decays into a vector meson
- Measurement of the matrix element for the decay  $\eta' \rightarrow \eta\pi^+\pi^-$
- Evidence for  $\psi'$  decays into gamma  $\pi^0$  and  $\gamma\eta$
- First observation of the decays  $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0\pi^0\pi^0$
- ...

## For the future

- $J/\psi$  and  $\psi'$  samples will increase by **one order of magnitude or more**
- **Scan measurements** will be performed around  $c\bar{c}$  resonances and also at lower energies
- Hadronic cross section measurements with **ISR (ZDD)**
- Many results will be refined
- Rare processes will be accessible at level below  $10^{-7}$
- More complex channels will be accessible
- ...