



# QCD Physics in the Future Super Tau-Charm Facility (STCF)

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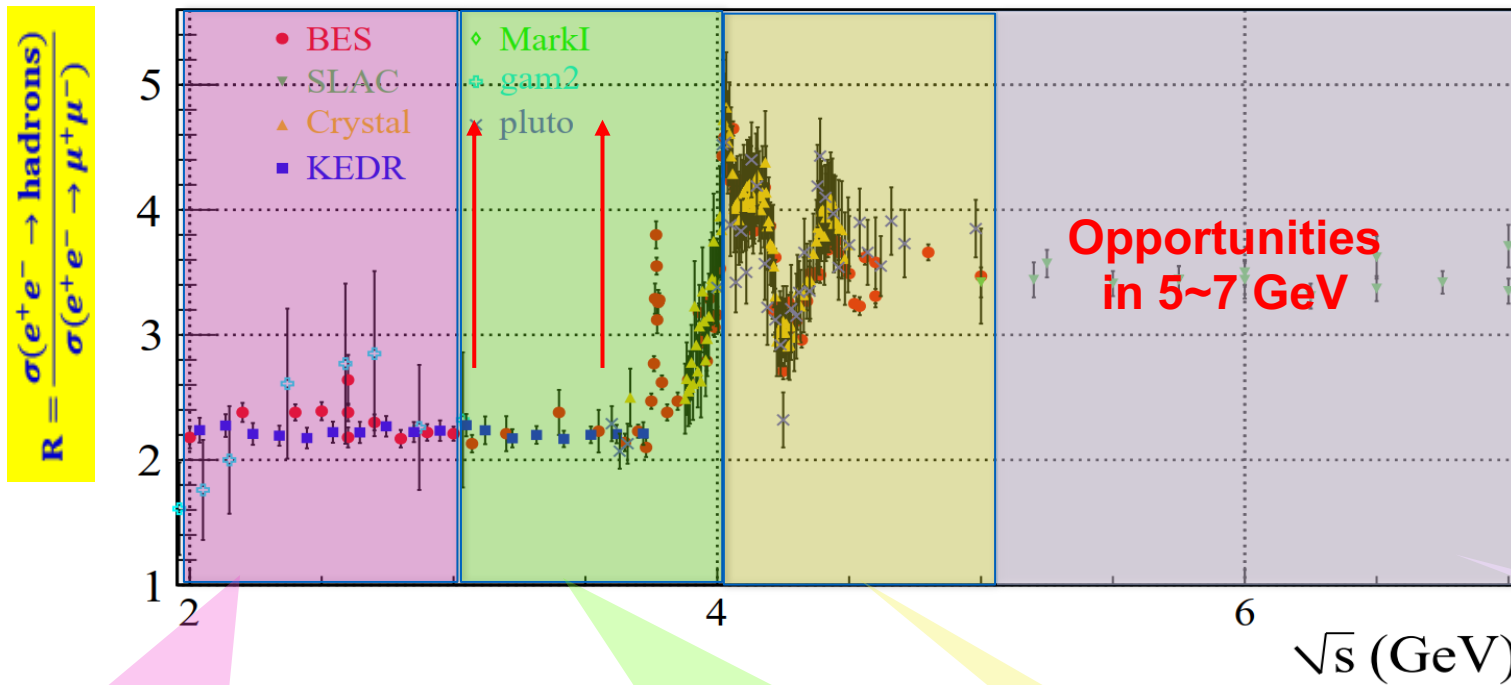
**超级陶粲装置**  
Super Tau-Charm Facility



# Outline



- **Introduction**
- **Physics Opportunities**
- **Project Promotion and progress**
- **Summary and Outlook**



## Unique Features at 2-7GeV:

- **Transition** region between perturbative and non-perturbative QCD
- **Threshold effects** of pair production of hadrons and  $\tau$  lepton
- **Rich resonant** structures, **large production cross sections** for charmonium(-like) states and exotics

- Hadron form factors
- $Y(2175)$  resonance
- Multiquark states with s quark
- R value / g-2 related

- Light hadron spectroscopy
- Gluonic and exotic states
- **Processes of LFV and CPV**
- Rare and forbidden decays
- Physics with  $\tau$  lepton

- XYZ particles
- **Physics with D mesons**
- $f_D$  and  $f_{D_s}$
- $D^0 - \bar{D}^0$  mixing
- Charm baryons

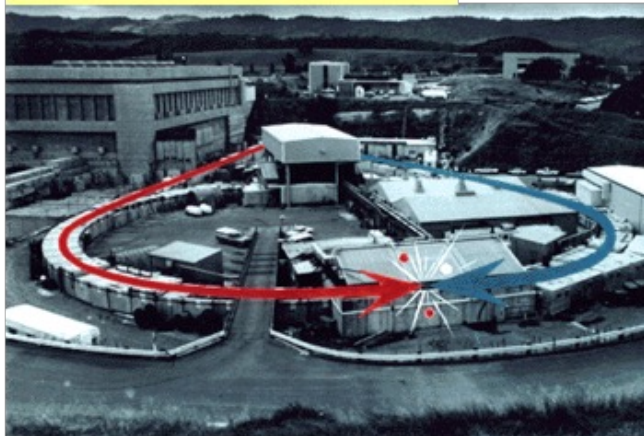
- Complete XYZ family
- Hidden-charm pentaquarks
- Search for di-charmonium states
- More charmed baryons
- Hadron fragmentation

# Dedicated Tau-Charm Factories

ADONE, FRASCATI  
'69-'93



SPEAR, SLAC, '72-'90  
 $6 \times 10^{29} \text{ cm}^{-2} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$



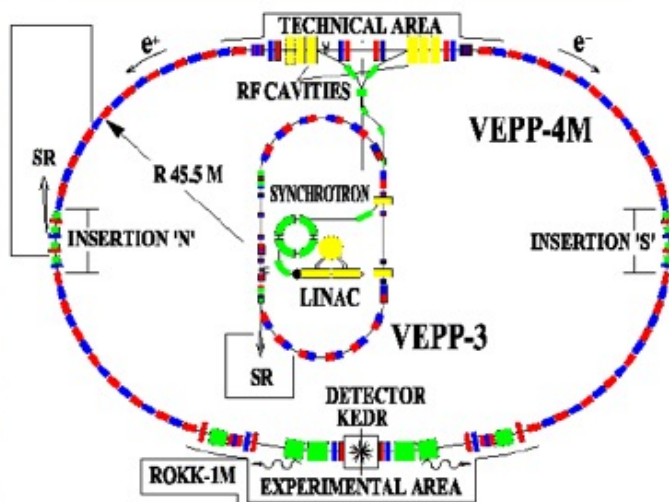
BEPC, IHEP, '90-'04  
 $5 \times 10^{30} \text{ cm}^{-2} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$



CESRc, Cornell, '04-'08  
 $7 \times 10^{31} \text{ cm}^{-2} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$



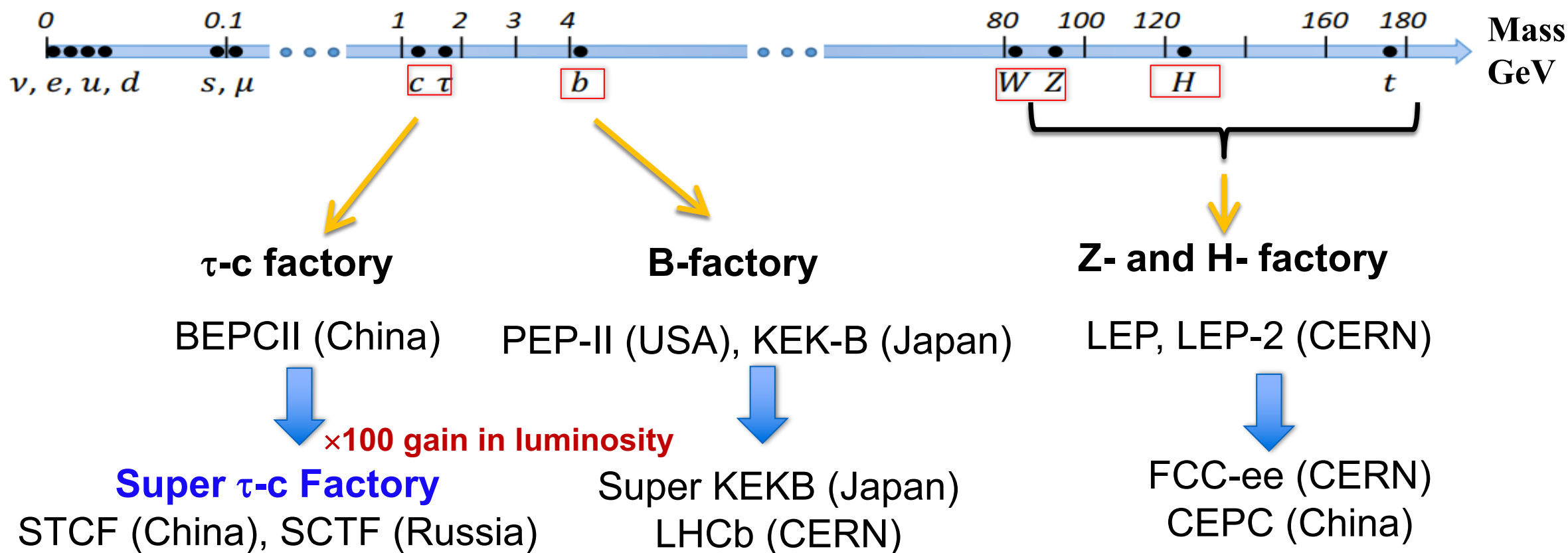
VEPP-4M, Novosibirsk, '02-'12  
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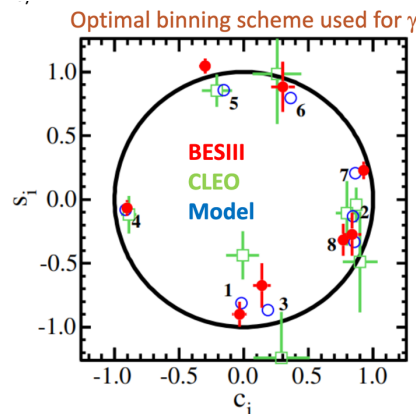
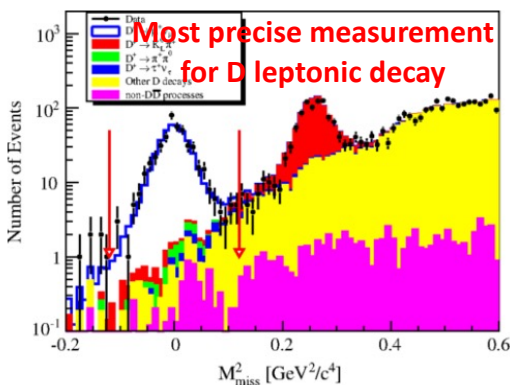
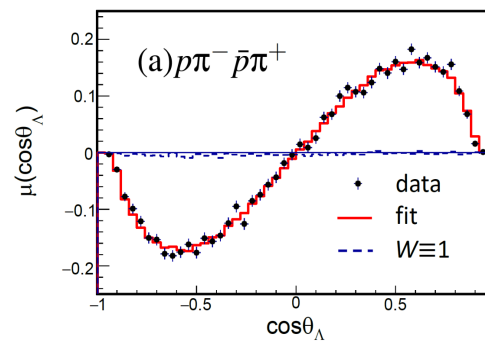
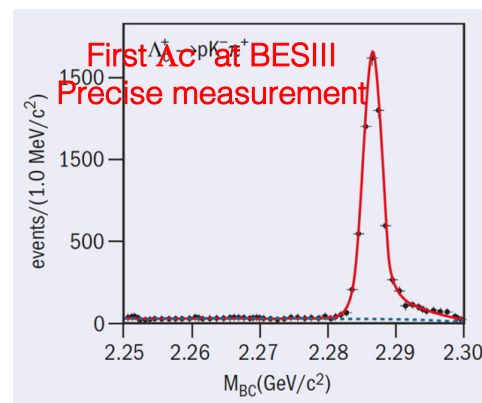
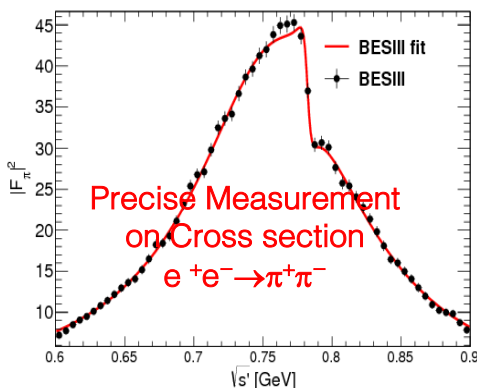
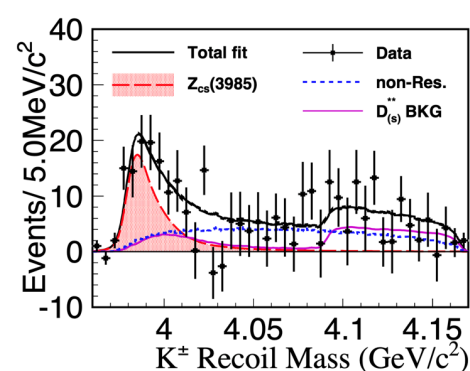
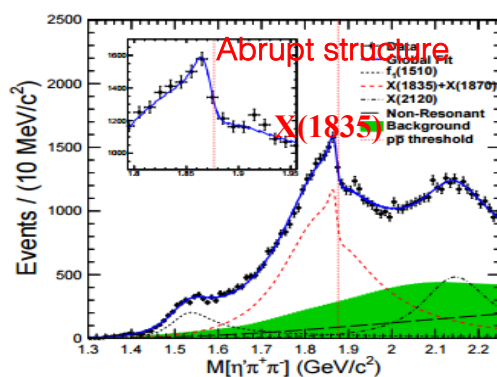
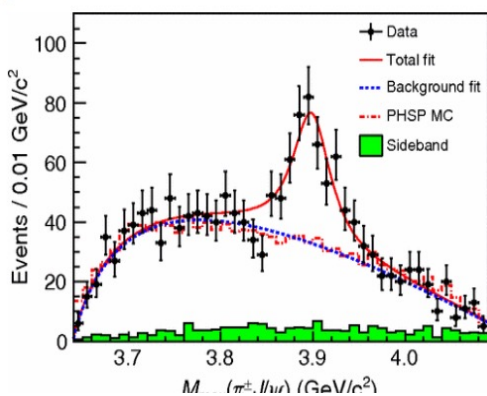
BEPCII, IHEP, '08-'30(?) )  
 $1 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$



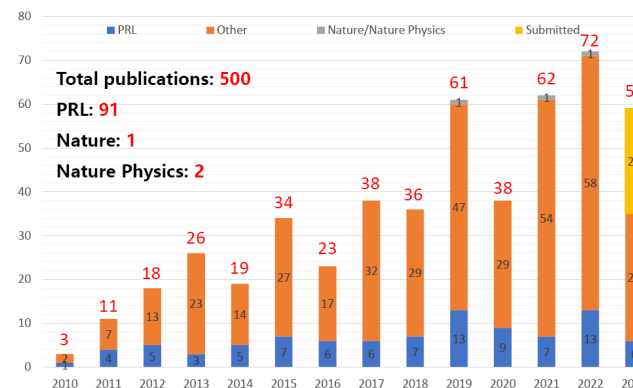
**Energy ranges** of high luminosity  $e^+e^-$  colliders (factories) correspond to **production thresholds** of known particles



**Ultimate performance (precision) is determined by luminosity and detector quality**

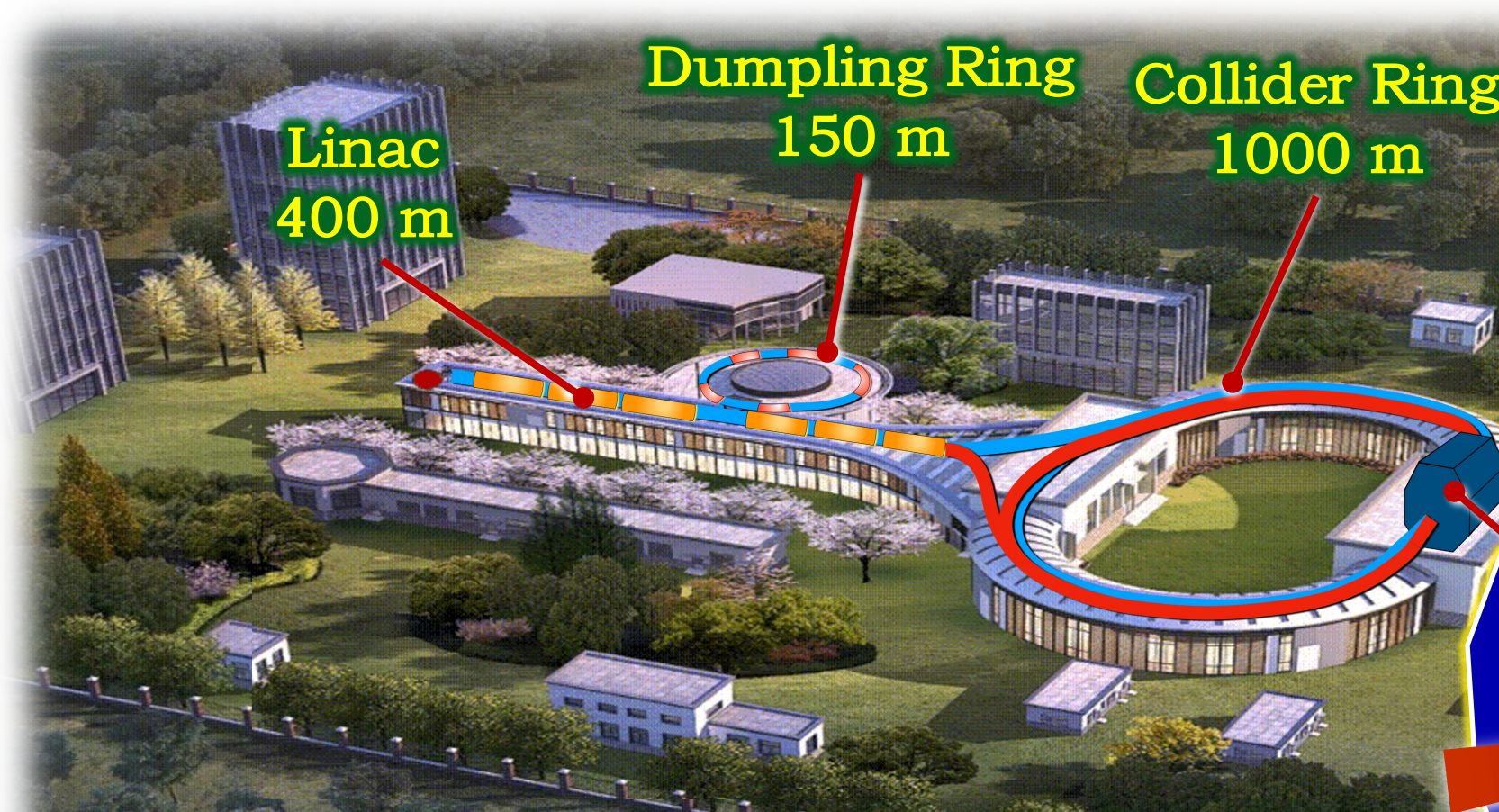


**BESIII publications (May 9, 2023) >500**

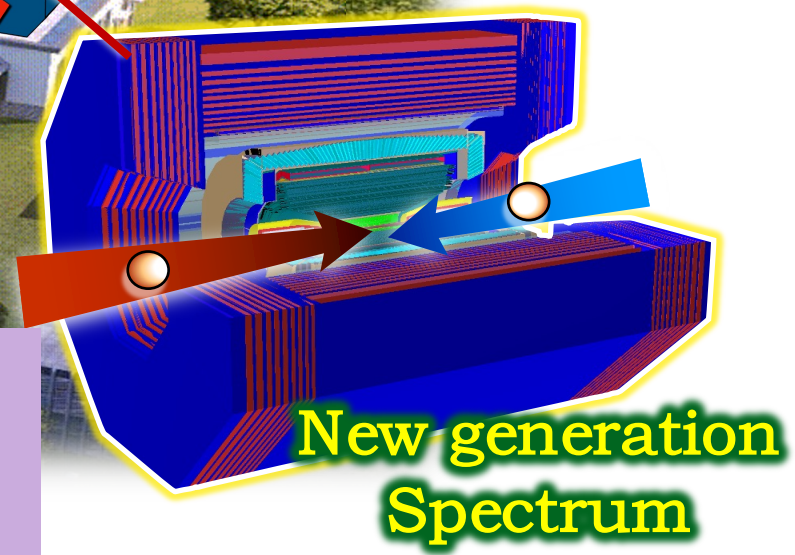


- BEPCII/BESIII have run 10 years, and are **playing a leading role** in tau-charm physics area.
- Limited by length of storage ring, **no space and potential** for major upgrade.
- Physics study limited by the **Statistics** (luminosity), **collision energy up to 4.9 (5.6) GeV** .....
- **Many of the physics can be covered by ISR at Belle II**
- BEPCII/BESIII will end her mission in 5 - 8(?) years

**A Super Tau-Charm Facility (STCF) is the nature extension and a viable option for a post-BEPCII HEP project in China**



A factory produces massive **tau lepton** and **charmed hadrons**, to relieve the mystery of **how quarks form matter** and the symmetry of **fundamental interactions**



- Center-of-Mass energy coverage : **2-7GeV**;
- Peaking Luminosity  $>0.5\sim 1\times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  @ 4GeV
- Potential to increase luminosity & realize beam polarization

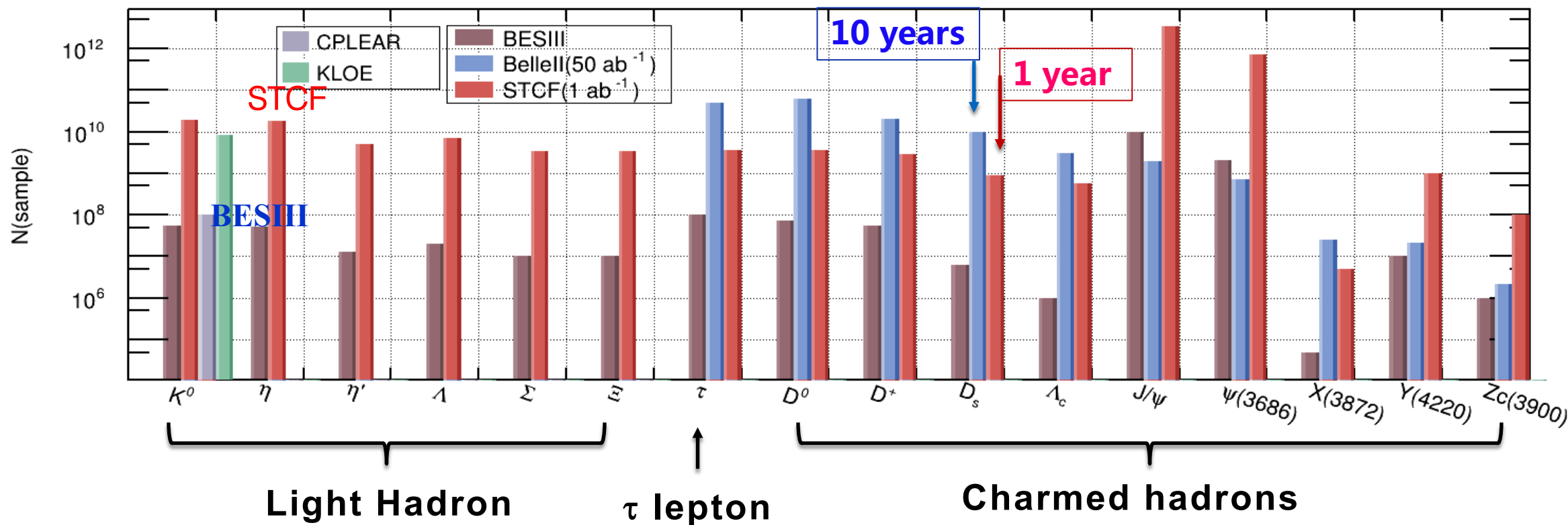


# Unique Data Sample

Huge **statistics** data sample + High **Resolution** + Low **background**



High **precision** measurement → **Discovery**



not only a **τ-charm** factory, but also a factory for **XYZ** exotics, **hyperons**, **light hadrons**

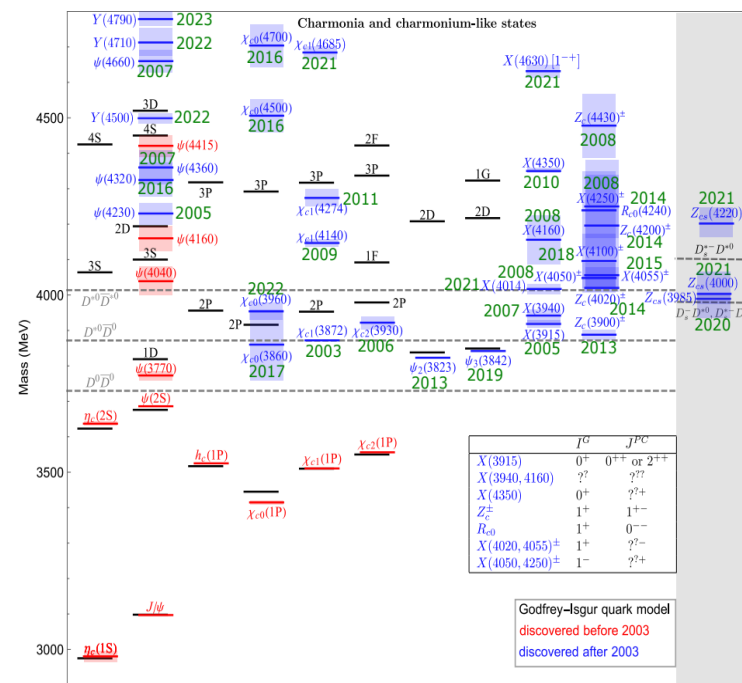
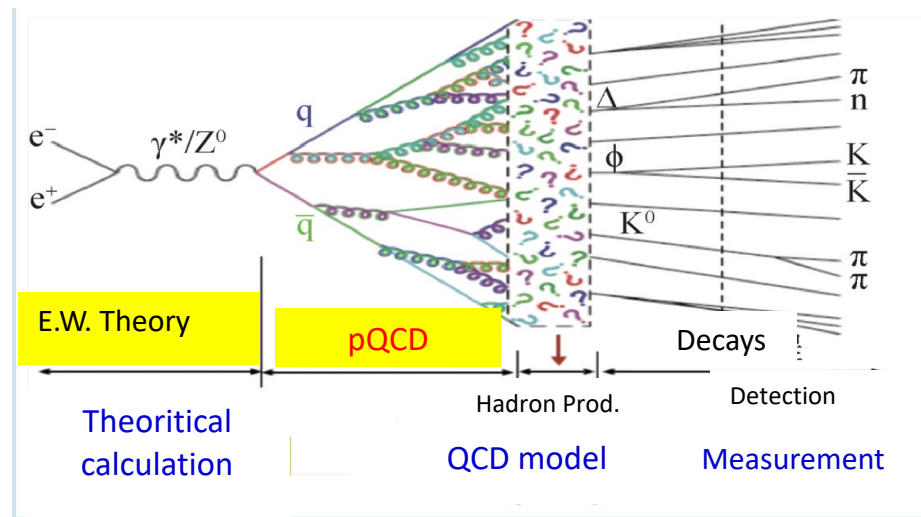
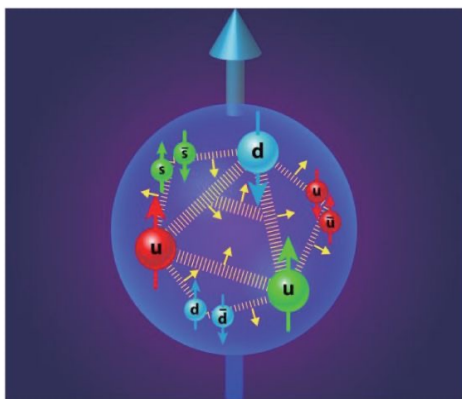
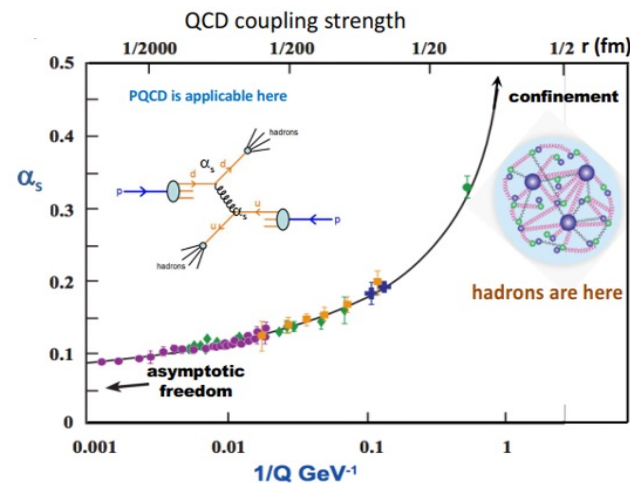


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- Quark confinement and non-perturbative feature in low-energy QCD region are the remaining challenge
- The effects is becoming the bottleneck in the precision measurement and new physics searching
- The inner structure of nucleon, the spectroscopy of hadron and exotic, fragmentation function are the experimental objectives



## STCF unique advantage :

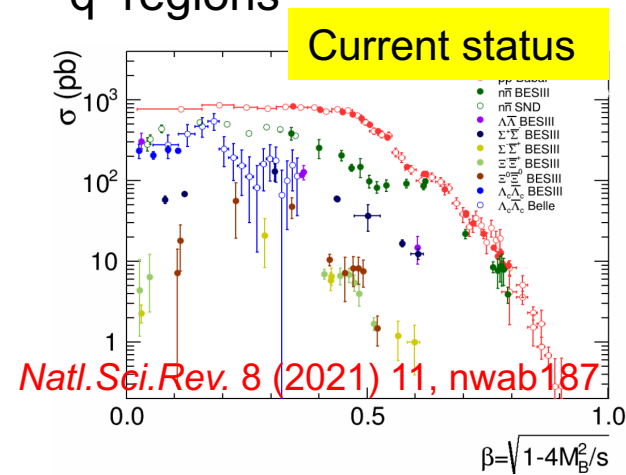
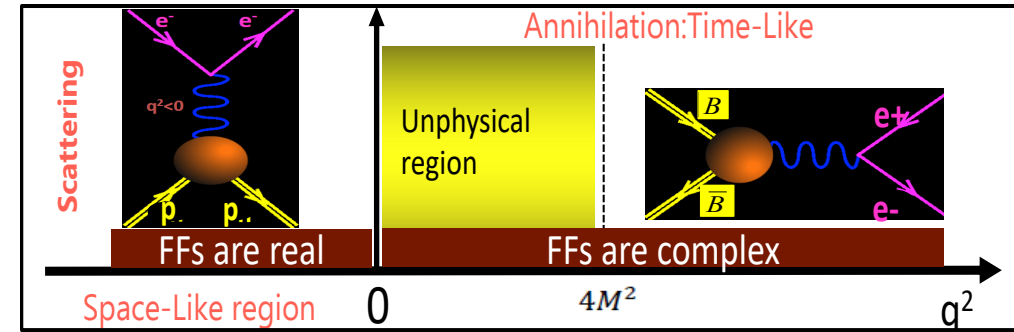
- Perturbative and non-perturbative transition energy region
- Threshold production of nucleon, hyperon and charmed baryons
- Large cross section for charmonium

- Detailed study of exclusive processes  $e^+ e^- \rightarrow (2-10)h$ ,  $h=\pi, K, \eta, p \dots$   
 Cross section scan between 2-7 GeV and ISR  $\sqrt{s} < 2$  GeV
  - Meson Spectroscopy
  - Intermediate dynamics
  - Search for exotic states (tetraquarks, hybrids, glueballs)
  - Form factors
- High precision determination of  $R = \sigma(e^+ e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}) / \sigma(e^+ e^- \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$  at low energies and fundamental quantities
  - $(g_\mu - 2)/2$ , 92% from  $< 2$  GeV, 7% from 2-5 GeV
  - $\alpha(M_Z)$ , 19.0% from  $< 2$  GeV, 18.1% from 2-5 GeV
  - QCD parameters (charm quark masses)
- Inclusive cross section  $e^+ e^- \rightarrow h (h') + X$ 
  - QCD parameters ( $\alpha_s$ , quark and gluon condensates)
  - (Spin-related) Fragmentation functions
  - Spin alignment of vector meson
- Two photon Physics
  - Measurement of  $\Gamma_{\gamma\gamma}$  for  $J^{PC} = 0^{-+}, 0^{++}, 2^{-+}, 2^{++}$  states
  - Study of  $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow R$ ,  $R = 1^{++}$
  - Transition Form Factors in  $\gamma^* \gamma^* \rightarrow R$
  - Cross section of  $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$

# STCF Electromagnetic Form Factors (EMFFs)



- **EMFFs** are fundamental properties, directly connected to charge and current distributions of the nucleon
- Various models describe time-like FF in **non-perturbative** region: ChEFT, VMD, relativistic CQM, parton model, pQCD etc.
- **Dispersion** analysis provide a coherent framework for the **joint interpretation** of space-like and time-like EMFFs over the entire  $q^2$  regions

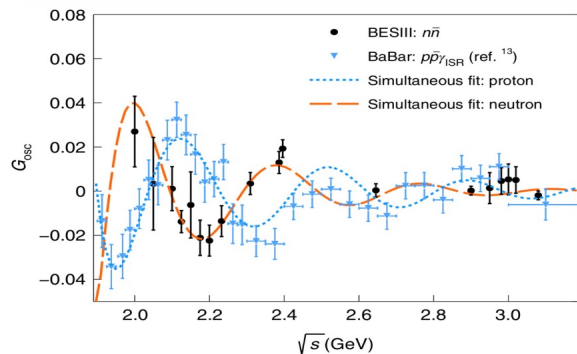


## Remaining questions of TL-EMFFs:

- **Step-like behavior** of production cross section, indication of near-threshold singularity.
- **Damped oscillation distribution** after subtracting modified dipole in **effective FF**.
- Damped oscillation distribution of  $|G_E/G_M|$  ratio.
- Evolution of the **phase** between  $G_E$  and  $G_M$ .
- The **asymptotic behavior** of TL-EMFFs

## STCF prospect for time-like EMFFs:

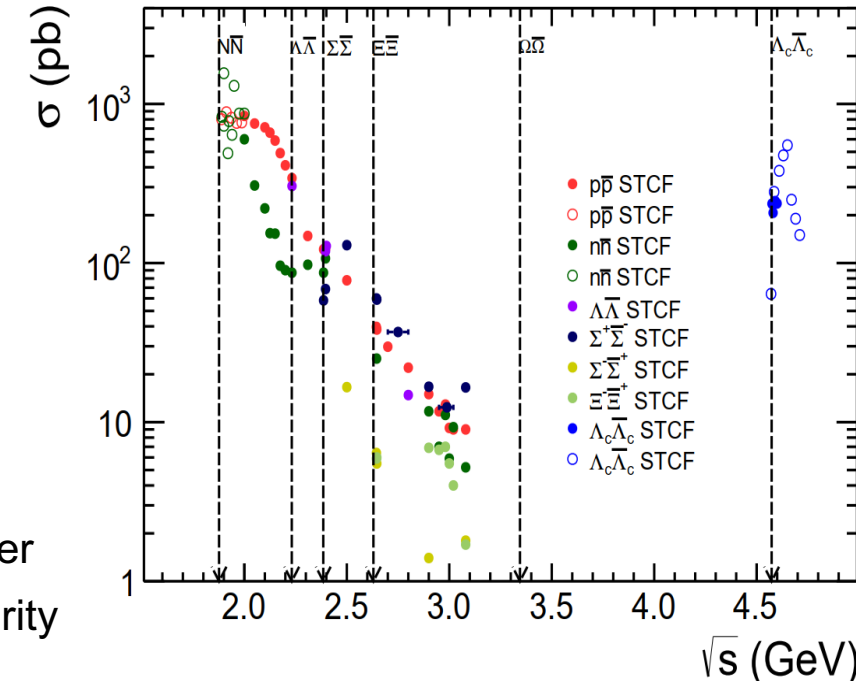
- Improve cross section measurement by 1-2 order
- Reveal the near-threshold cross section singularity and mystery of  $G_E$  and  $G_M$ .



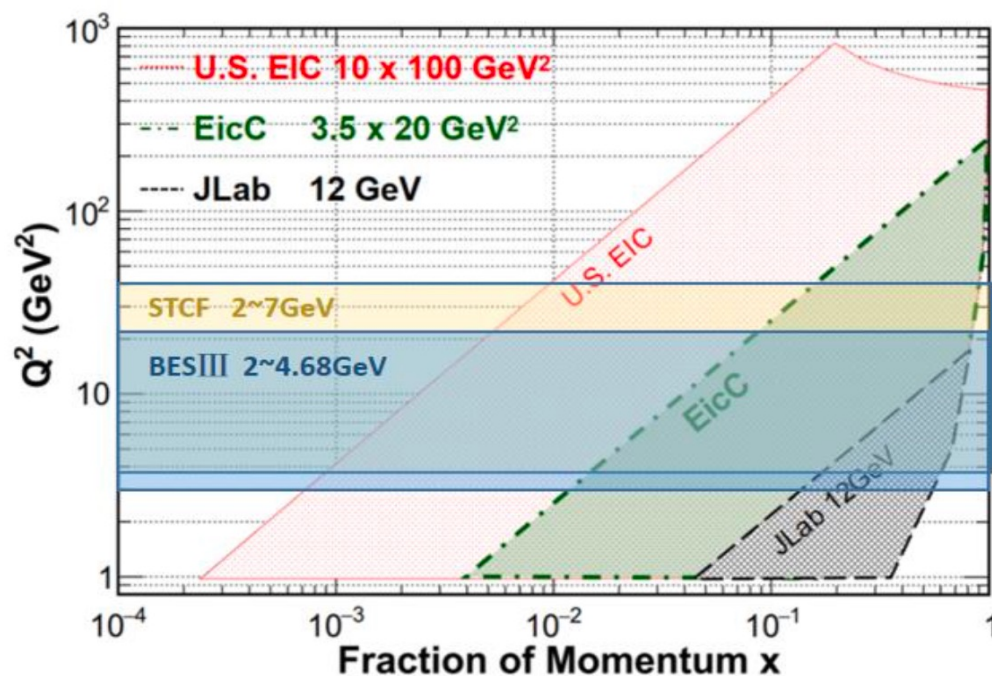
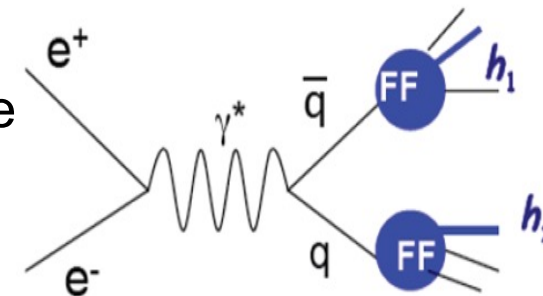
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- Fragmentation function, describing the processes of quarks/gluon hadronization, is **non-perturbative process and challenging** in theoretical calculation.
- To accurately extract Parton Distribution Functions (PDFs), precise knowledge FFs are required.
- $e^+e^-$  collider experiment provides the **cleanest** input for extracting FFs. With polarized electron beam, polarized FFs can be studied.



## STCF prospects :

- The **most precise** fragmentation function in  $q^2$  range 4-50 GeV<sup>2</sup> with dependences on multi-dimensional kinematics
- Precision test of the **universality** of fragmentation function in the different processes, and its **evolution** with  $q^2$
- Provide **important input** for EIC, EicC and JLab experiments

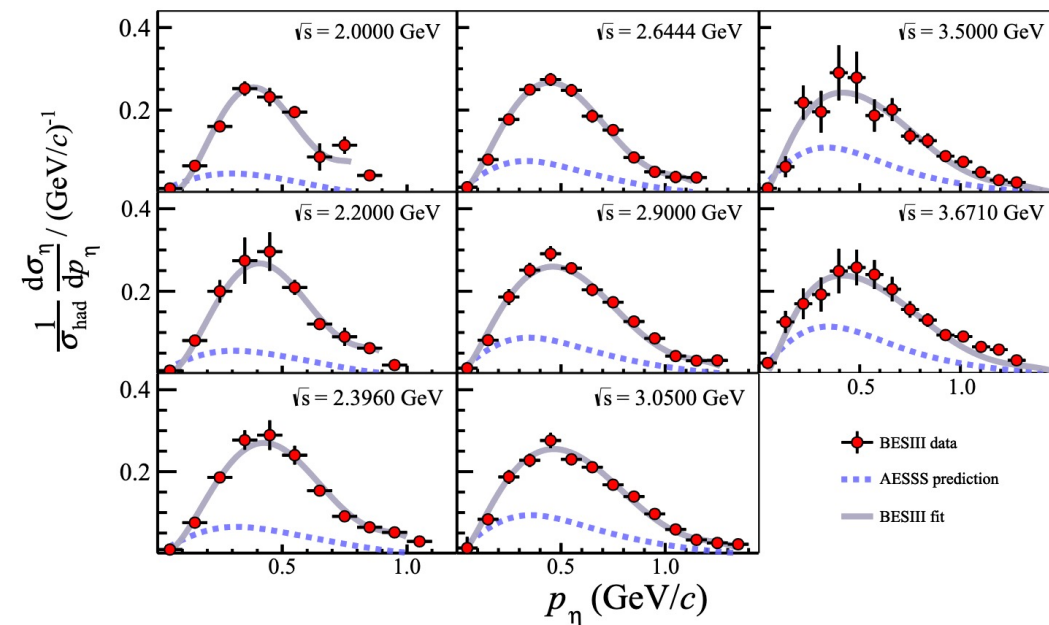
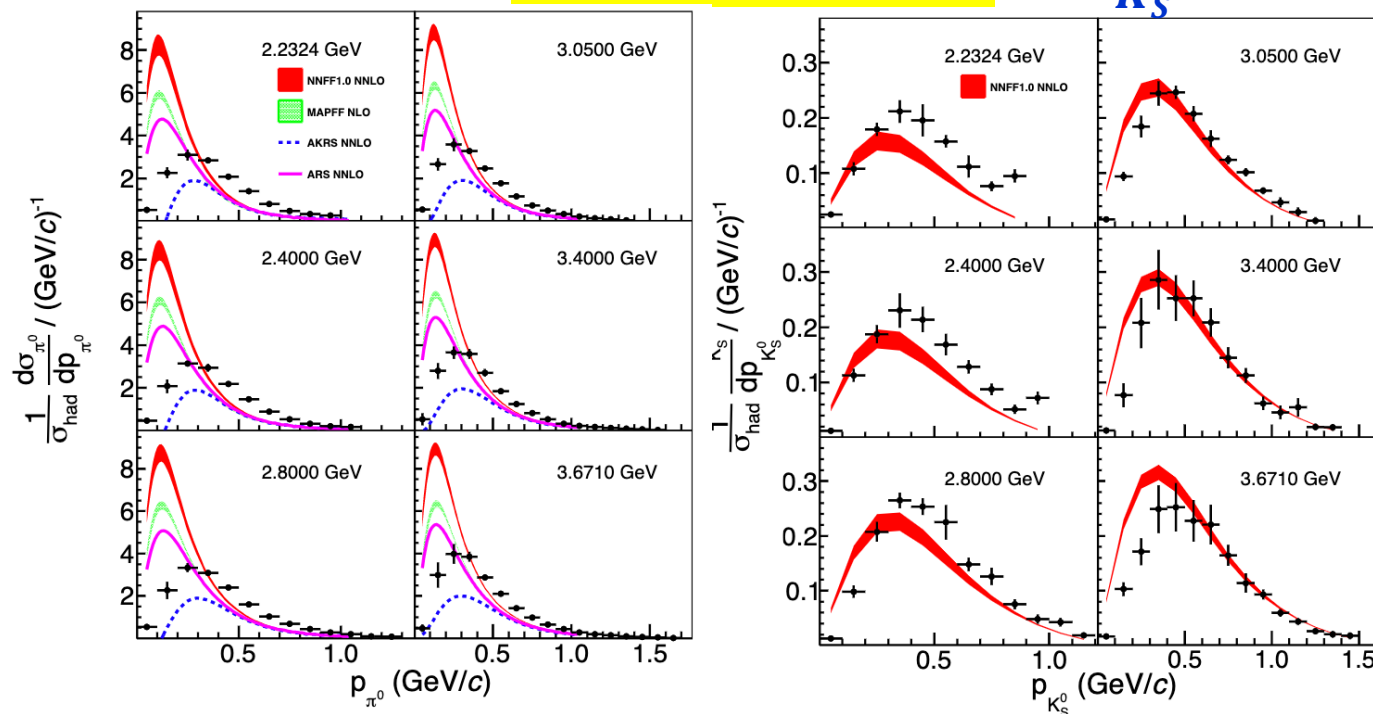
$\pi^0$

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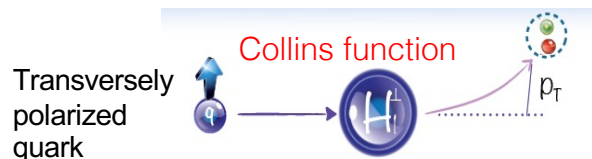
$K_S$

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$\eta$



- broad  $z_h$  coverage from 0.1 to 0.9
- the agreement between data and theoretical calculations degenerates as the c.m. energies decrease
- provide brand new inputs in low-energy region to global fits of fragmentation function



J. C. Collins, Nucl. Phys. B396, 161 (1993)

$$D_{hq^{\uparrow}}(z, P_{h\perp}) = D_1^q(z, P_{h\perp}^2)$$

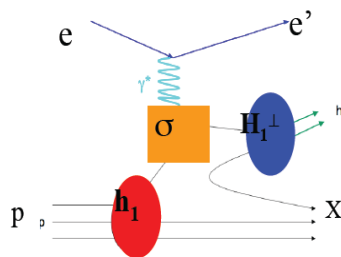
$$+ H_1^{\perp q}(z, P_{h\perp}^2) \frac{(\hat{\mathbf{k}} \times \mathbf{P}_{h\perp}) \cdot \mathbf{S}_q}{zM_h}$$

$H_1$ : Collins FF

- describes the fragmentation of a transversely polarized quark into a spin-less hadron  $h$ .
- leads to an azimuthal modulation of hadrons around the quark momentum.

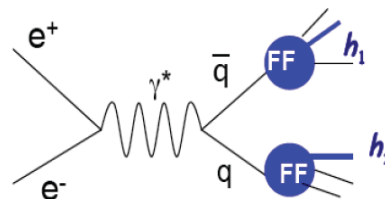
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Transversity  $\otimes$  Collins FF

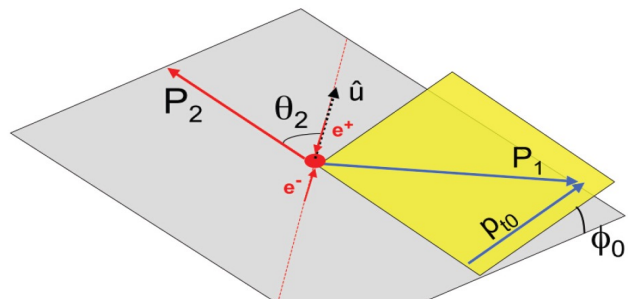


$e^+ e^-$

Collins FF  $\otimes$  Collins FF

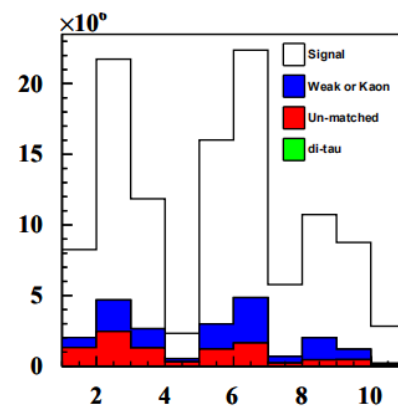
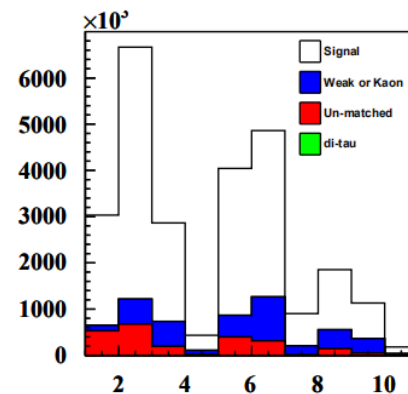
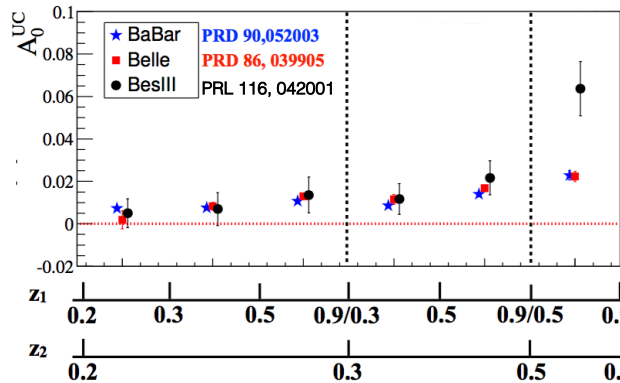
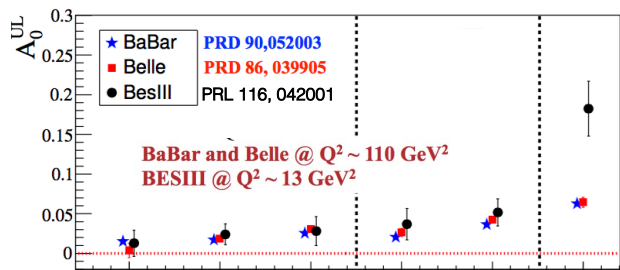


D. Boer, NPB 806, 23 (2009)



$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow q \bar{q} \rightarrow h_1 h_2 X$$

$$\sigma \sim 1 + \frac{\sin^2 \theta_2}{1 + \cos^2 \theta_2} \cos(2\phi_0) \mathcal{F} \left[ \frac{H_1^{\perp}(z_1) \bar{H}_1^{\perp}(z_2)}{D_1(z_1) \bar{D}_1(z_2)} \right]$$

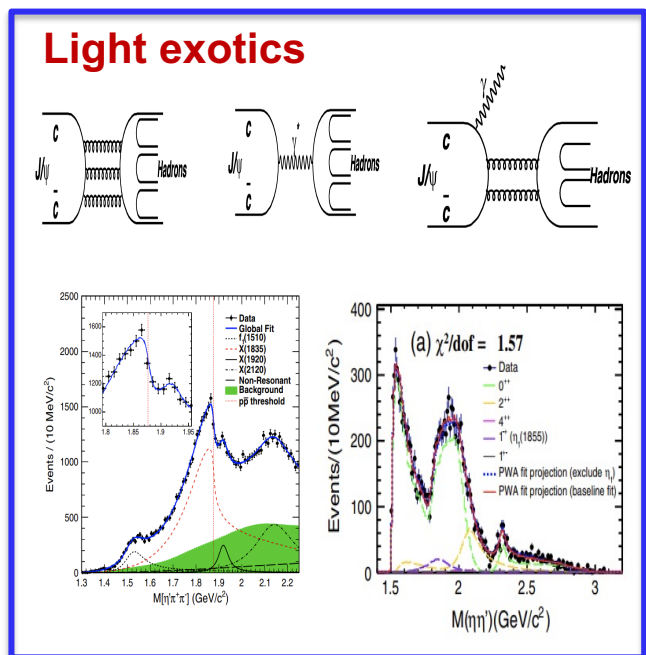
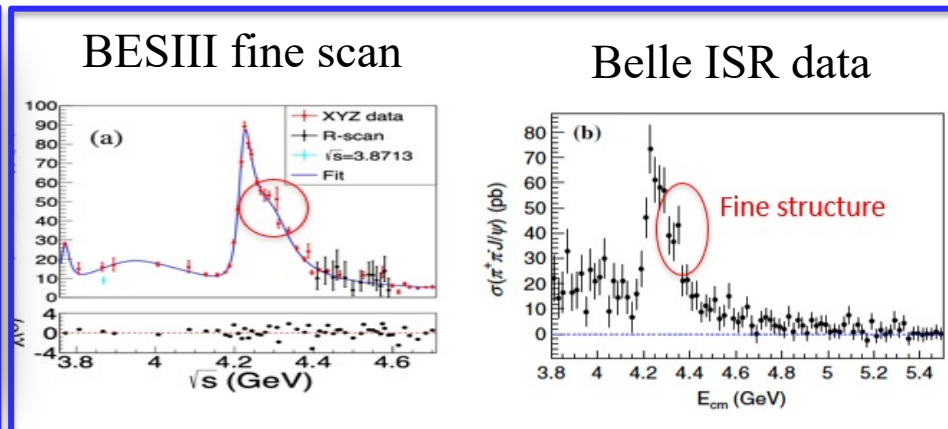
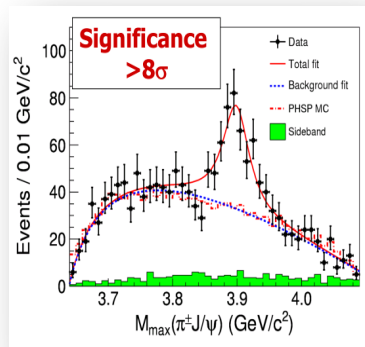
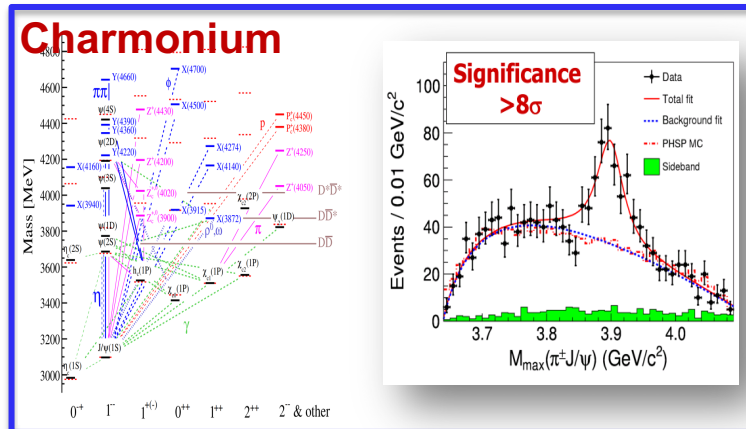
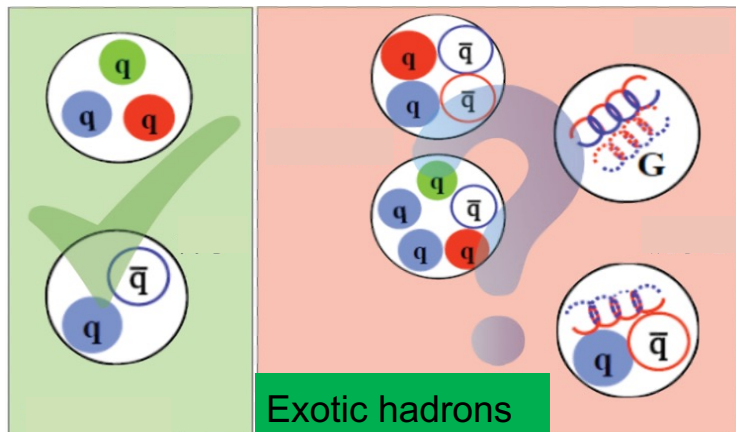


- The statistical uncertainty asymmetry  $A^{UL}$  with  $1\text{ab}^{-1}$  at 7 GeV<sup>[1]</sup>:
  - $(1.4 \sim 4.2) \times 10^{-4}$  for  $\pi\pi X$
  - $(3.5 \sim 20) \times 10^{-3}$  for  $KKX$
- 2% precision required by EicC

[1] B. L. Wang et al., Journal of UCAS 38 (2021) 433



A **unique** territory for studying QCD



**A Charmonium(-like) factory (per year):**

- 3T J/ $\psi$ , 0.1T  $\psi(3686)$ , 1B Y(4230), 100M  $Z_c(3900)$  and 5M X(3872)

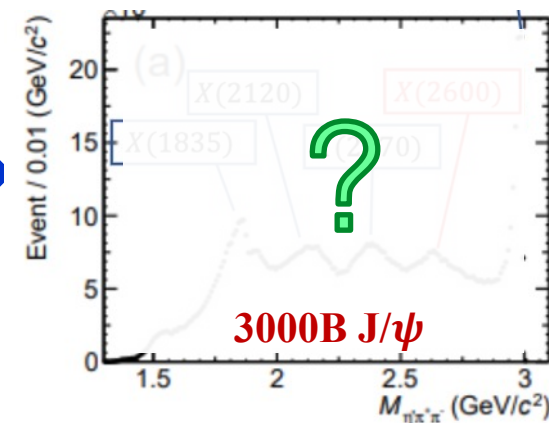
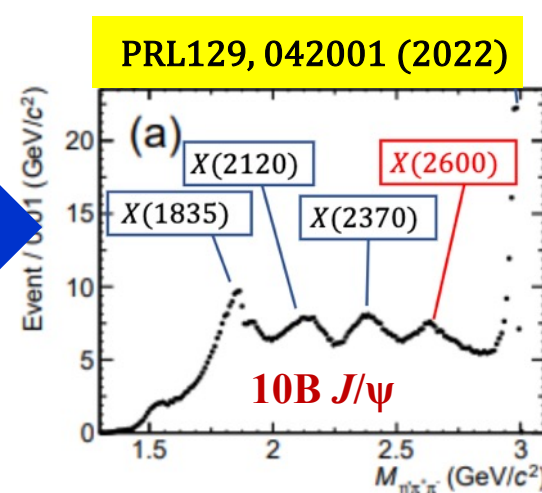
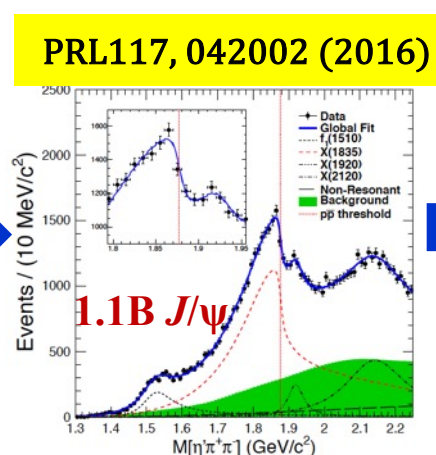
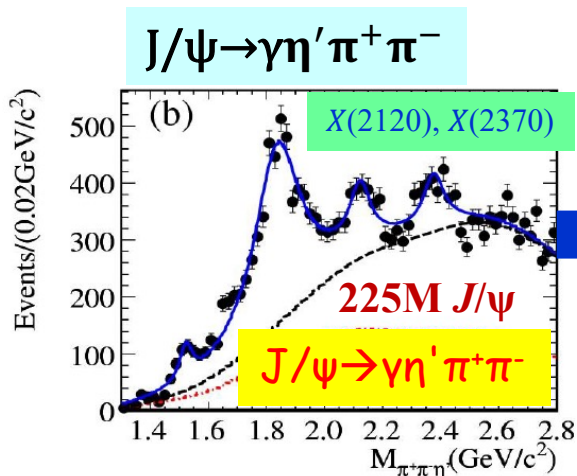
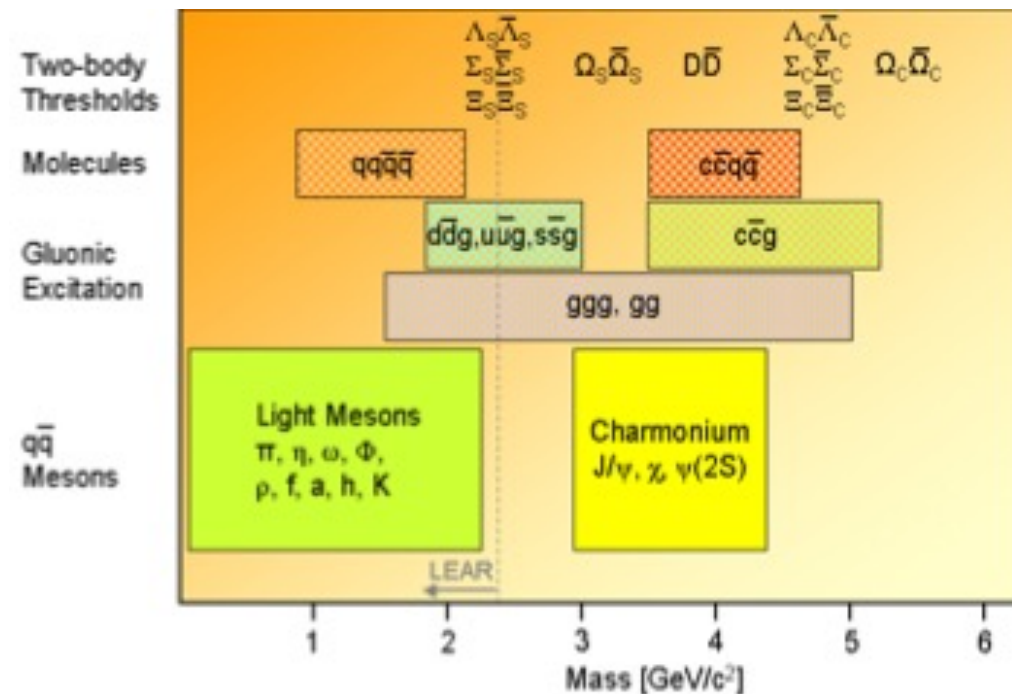
**Physics opportunities :**

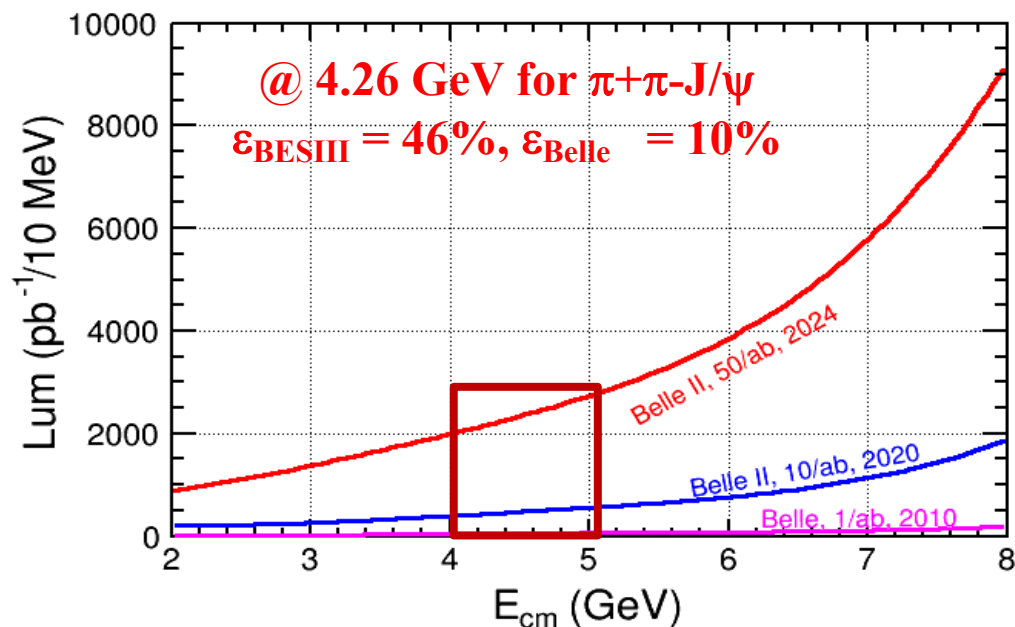
- Energy dependent structures of  $Z_{c(s)}$
- More XYZ states  $\rightarrow$  Spectroscopy
- Missing charmonium states and their transitions
- Traces of glueballs and Hybrid states

**STCF has an absolute advantage in studying hadron spectroscopy and exotic states, and is expected to achieve significant breakthroughs.**

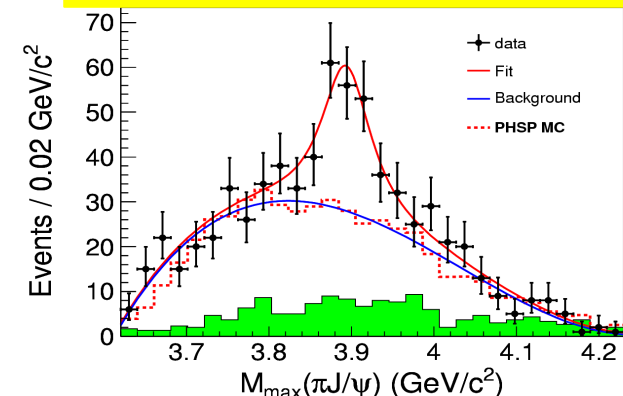
At STCF, two golden measures to study hadron spectroscopy, *esp.*, to search for **exotics**

- Light hadrons: charmonium radiative decays (act as spin filter) for example **3T J/ψ** and **100B ψ(2S)**
- Heavy hadrons: direct production, radiative and hadronic transitions (**data between 3.8~7 GeV**)

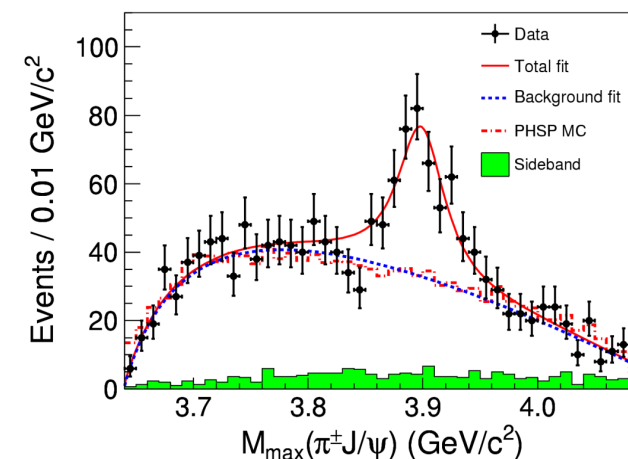




Belle with ISR: PRL110, 252002  
967  $\text{fb}^{-1}$  in 10 years running time



BESIII at 4.260 GeV: PRL110, 252001  
0.525  $\text{fb}^{-1}$  in one month running time

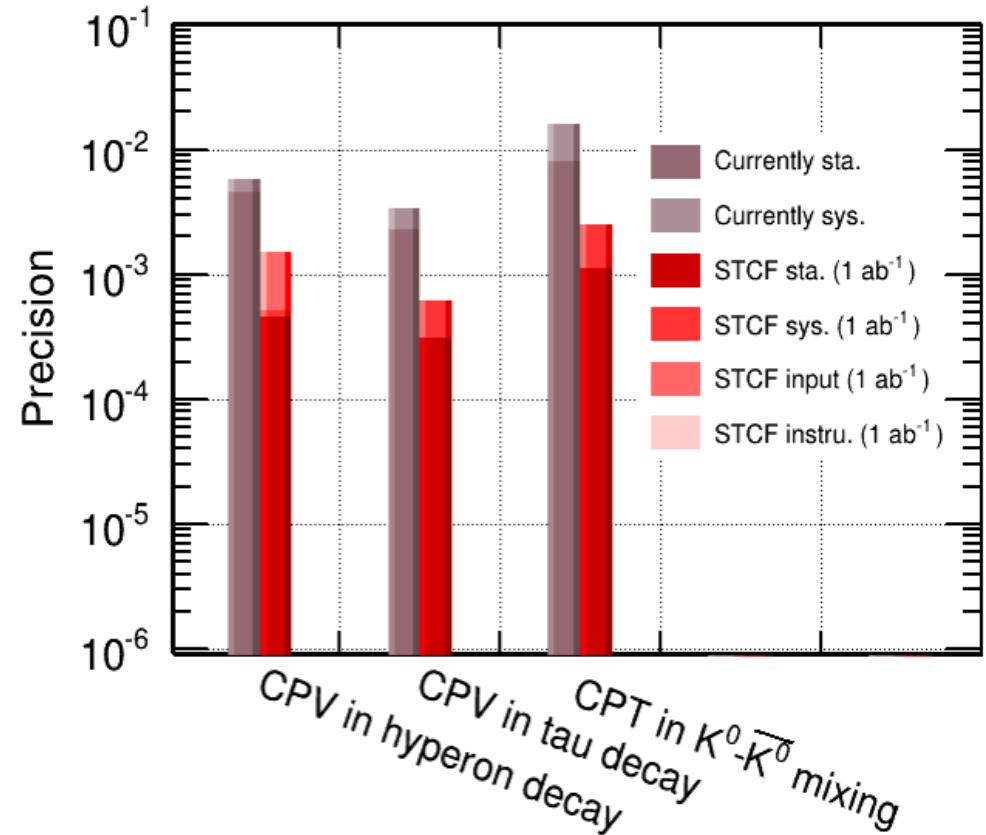


- B factory** : Total integrate effective luminosity between 4-5 GeV is **0.23  $\text{ab}^{-1}$**  for **50  $\text{ab}^{-1}$  data**
- $\tau$ -C factory** : scan in 4-5 GeV, 10 MeV/step, every point have **10  $\text{fb}^{-1}$ /year**, **5 time** of Belle II for 50  $\text{ab}^{-1}$  data
- $\tau$ -C factory** have **much higher efficiency and low background** than B Factory

- CPV observed in K, B, D mesons, all **consistent with CKM theory in SM**
- **Baryon asymmetry** of the universe indicates the existence of **non-SM CPV sources**
- STCF is capable of searching for **CPV in hyperon and  $\tau$  lepton**, as well as **CPT violation in Kaon** with high sensitivity

## Unique advantages :

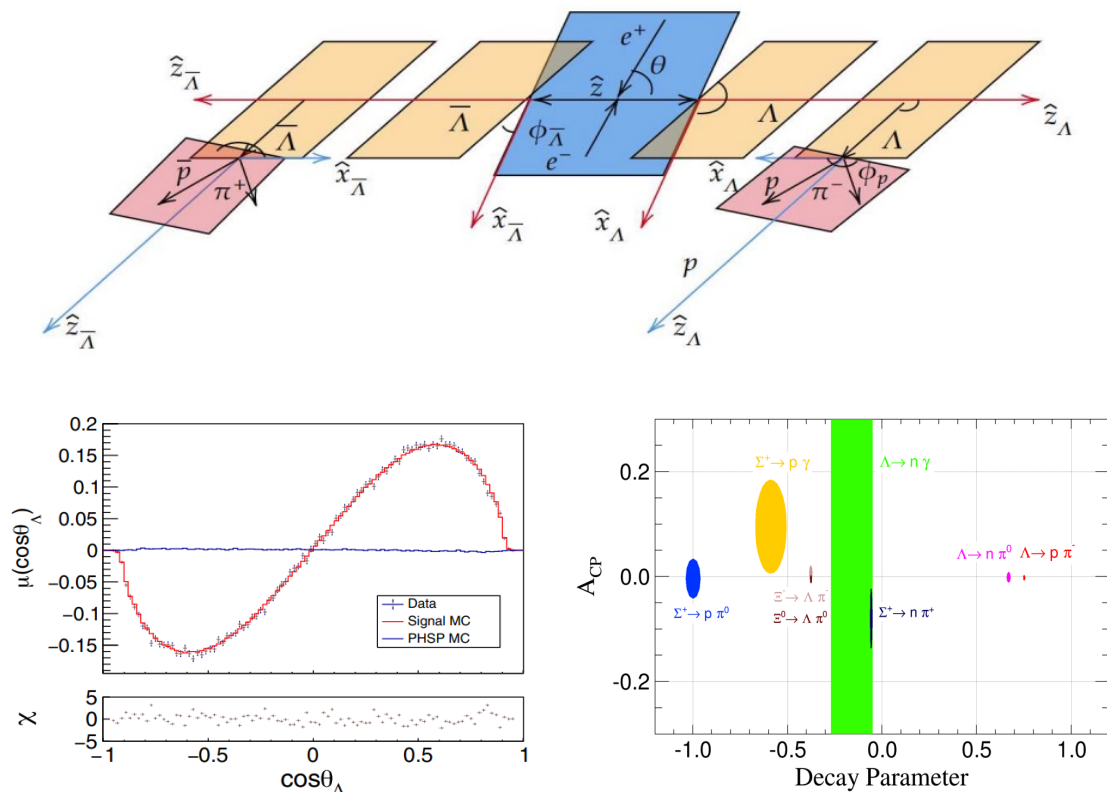
- quantum correlation, huge statistics, clean background



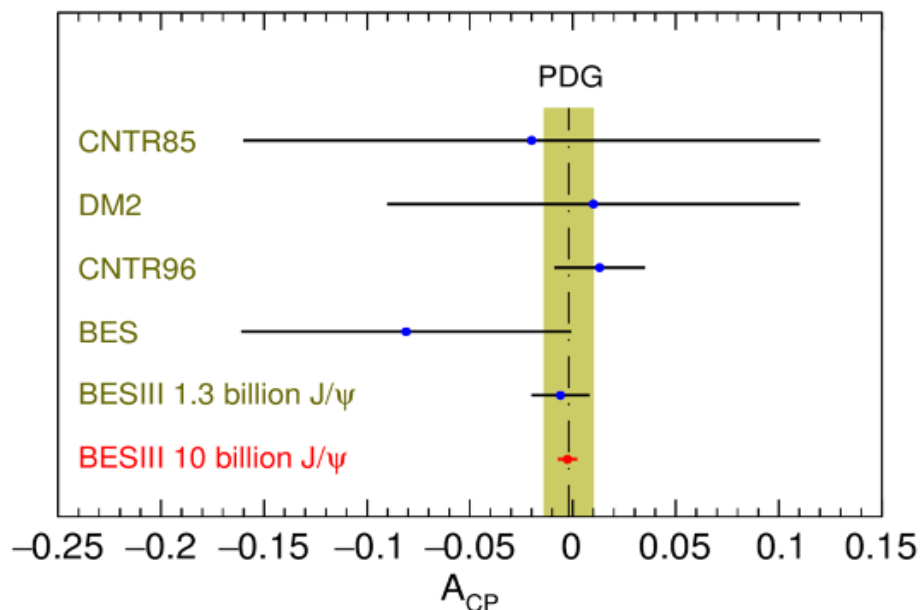
# CPV in Hyperon Decay

- BESIII has observed the **polarization** of hyperon in the  $J/\psi$  decay, and carried out CPV measurement by performing **the jointly angle distribution analysis**.
- The **sensitivity** to test CPV in the  $J/\psi$  decay is found to be **much improved** due to **the quantum correlation** between hyperon pair, and the **polarization** of hyperon

CP test  $A_{CP} = \frac{\alpha_- + \alpha_+}{\alpha_- - \alpha_+}$



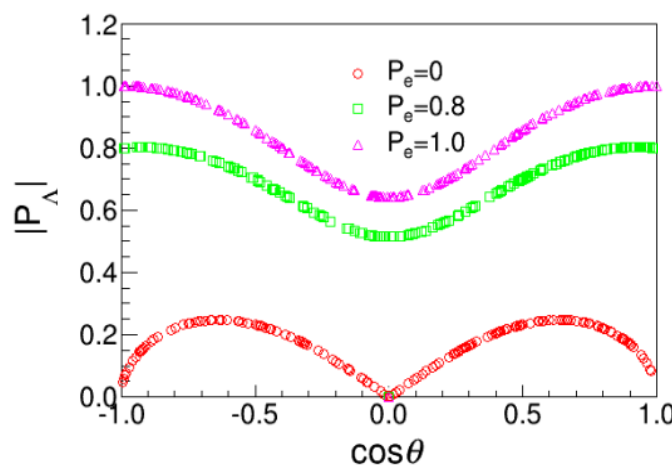
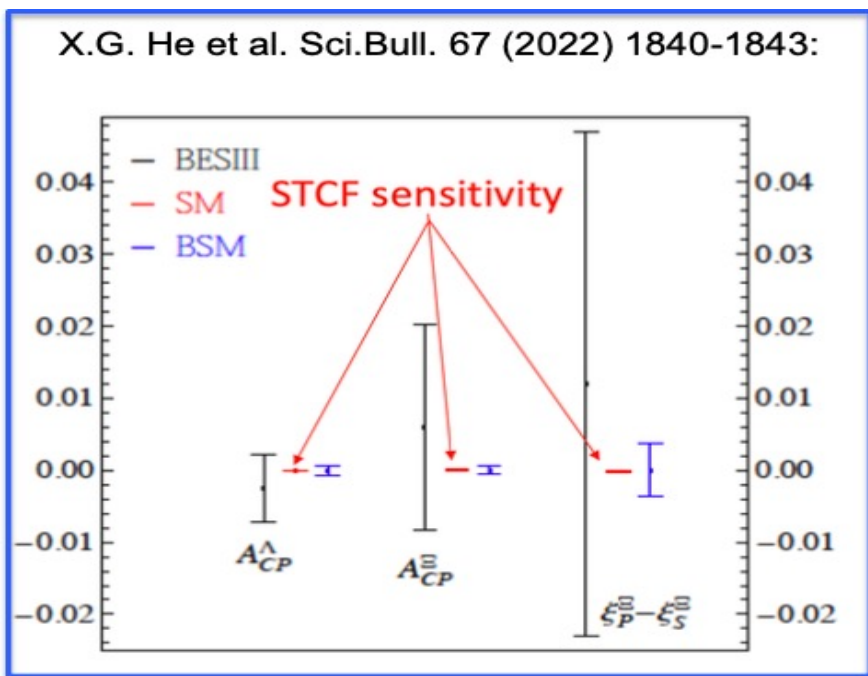
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**0.5% level sensitivity for CPV test**  
**SM prediction:  $10^{-4} \sim 10^{-5}$**

- STCF has  $10^{12}$  J/ $\psi$  per year, corresponding  $10^9$  hyperon pair, the CPV test sensitivity challenge SM prediction  $10^{-4} \sim 10^{-5}$
- Polarized electron can significant improve the test sensitivity

$$P_{\Lambda} = \frac{\gamma_{\psi} P_e \sin\theta \hat{x}_1 - \beta_{\psi} \sin\theta \cos\theta \hat{y}_1 - (1 + \alpha_{\psi}) P_e \cos\theta \hat{z}_1}{1 + \alpha_{\psi} \cos^2\theta}$$



$$\sigma_{ACP} \approx \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{1}{\alpha_1 \sqrt{N_{sig}} \sqrt{\langle P_B^2 \rangle}}$$

$$\xrightarrow{1 \times 10^9 \Lambda \bar{\Lambda}, \langle P_B^2 \rangle = 0.1} \sigma_{ACP} \sim 1.4 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\xrightarrow{1 \times 10^9 \Lambda \bar{\Lambda}, \langle P_B^2 \rangle = 0.8} \sigma_{ACP} \sim 0.5 \times 10^{-4}$$

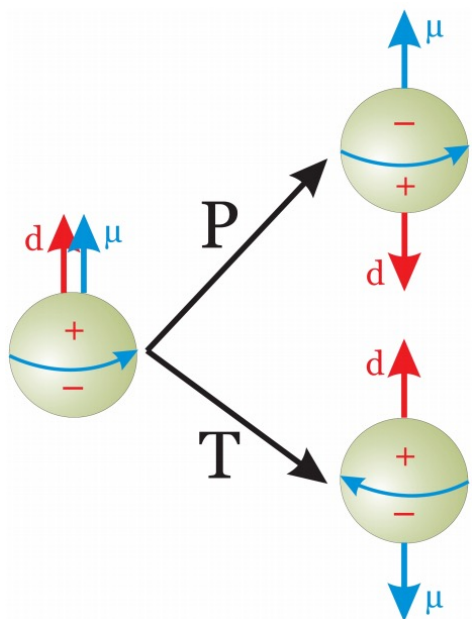
# EDM in Hyperon

Detailed dynamics in  $J/\psi$  decay to hyperon pair have been studied:

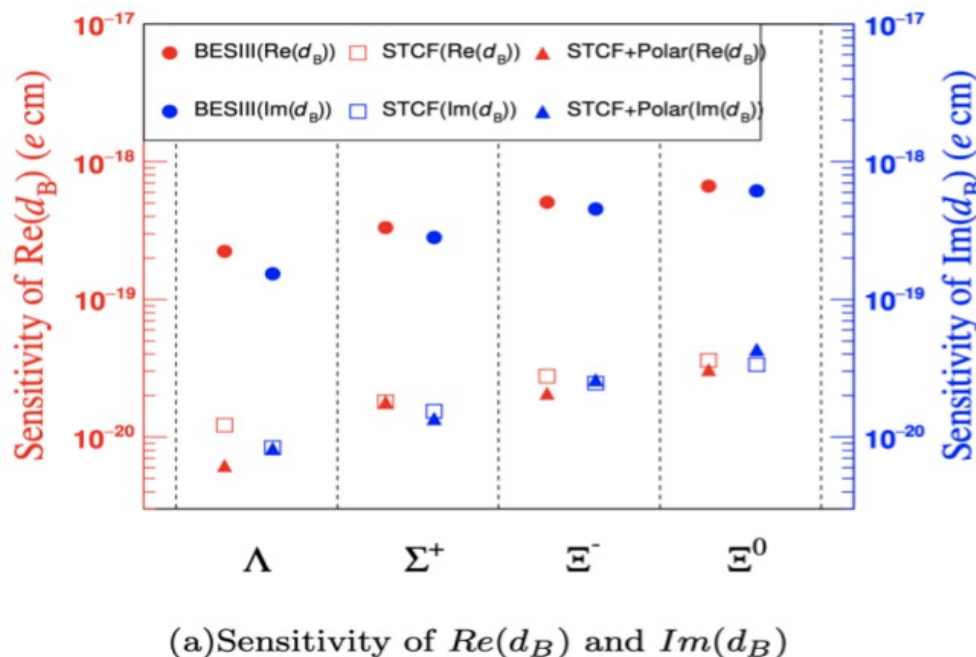
$\mu$ : magnetic dipole moment  
 $d$ : electric dipole moment

$$\mathcal{A} = \epsilon_\mu(\lambda) \bar{u}(\lambda_1) \left( F_V \gamma^\mu + \frac{i}{2M_\Lambda} \sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu H_\sigma + \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 F_A + \sigma^{\mu\nu} \gamma^5 q_\nu H_T \right) v(\lambda_2)$$

**Systematic measurement of the EDMs of the hyperon family!**



**Non-zero EDM will violate  $P$  and  $T$  symmetry:  $T$  violation  $\leftrightarrow CP$  violation, if CPT holds.**

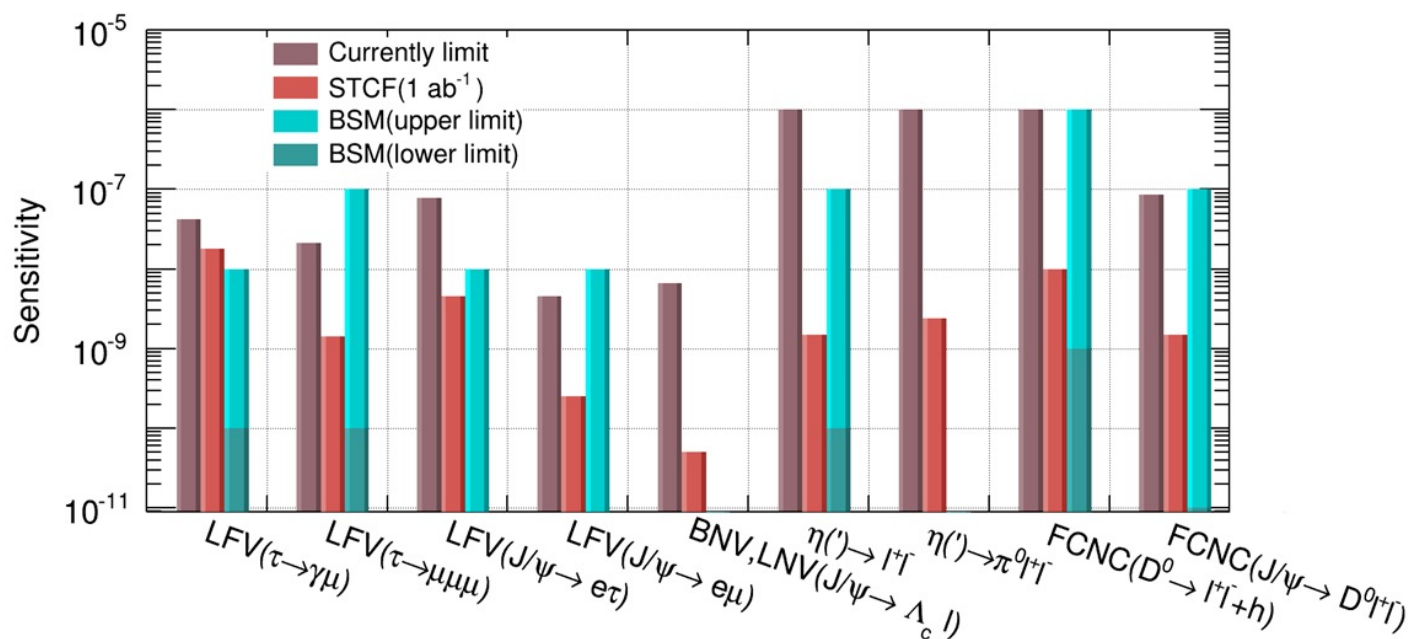
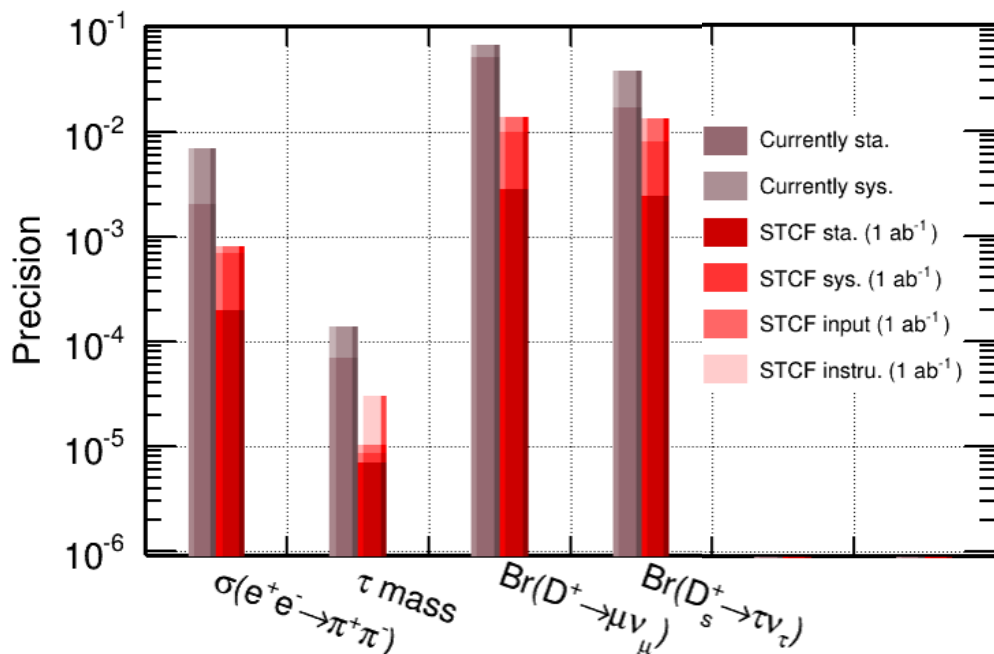


SM:  $\sim 10^{-26} e\text{ cm}$

BESIII: milestone for hyperon EDM measurement  
 $\Lambda$   $10^{-19} e\text{ cm}$  ( FermiLab  $10^{-16} e\text{ cm}$ )  
 first achievement for  $\Sigma^+, \Xi^-$  and  $\Xi^0$  at level of  $10^{-19} e\text{ cm}$   
 a litmus test for new physics

STCF: improved by 2 order of magnitude

X.G.He, J.P. Ma, Phys.Lett.B 839(2023)137834



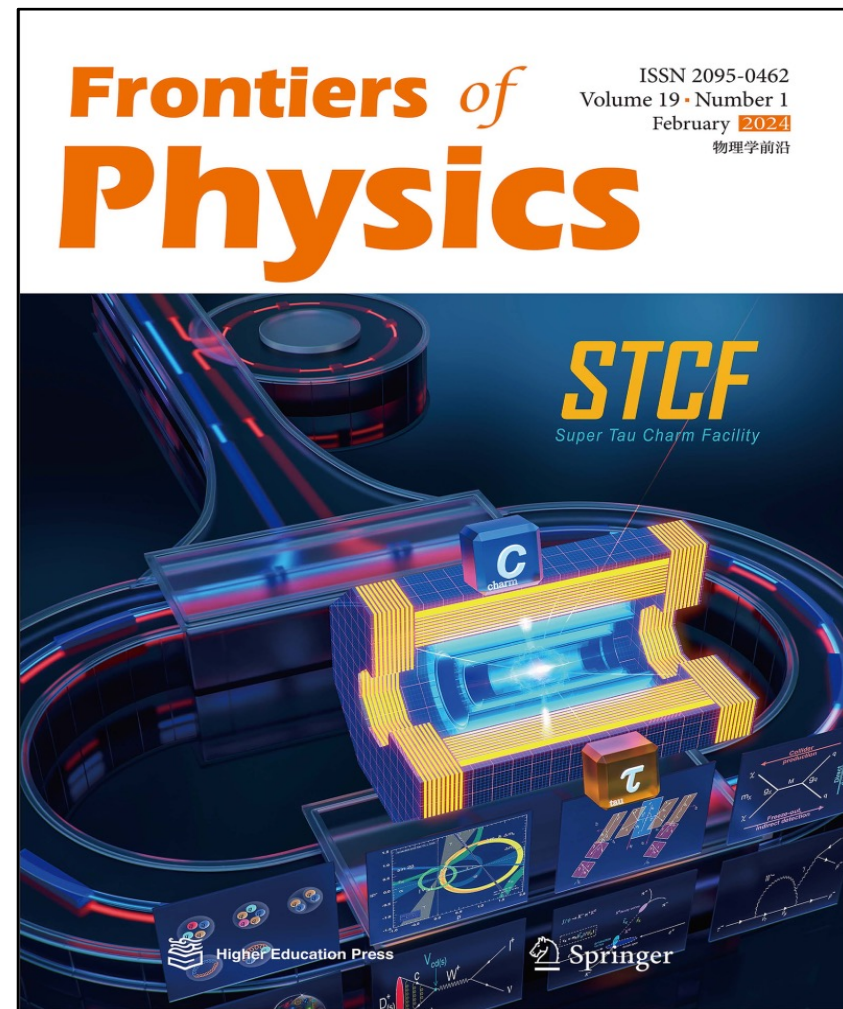
## STCF physics opportunities :

- improve the current precisions of many **important measurements** by **~1 order** of magnitude
- enhance sensitivities to various **rare or forbidden decays** by **~2 orders** of magnitude.



## Key words / main topics of STCF physics CDR citations

CP in charmed baryon  
 Near-threshold resonance  
 EMFFs      Triangle singularity      Tau EDM  
 $D_s^*$  radiative decay      Hyperon-Nucleus Scattering  
 FCNC      Light-cone distribution amplitudes      Millicharged particles  
 $K_0$ - $K_0$ bar      Neutral meson mixing      Spin 3/2 polarization      QCD sum rules  
 Muon  $g-2$  and  $\alpha(M_Z^2)$        $\Lambda - \bar{\Lambda}$  oscillation      Axion-like particle      cLFV  
 Fully charm tetraquarks       $SU(2)_L$ -singlet vector-like fermion partners  
 $\Delta S = 2$  Nonleptonic hyperon decay      Hyperon EDM      X(4014)  
 Proton charge radius      Coupled-channel effect  
 $a_0(1710)$       Invisible decay of J/psi



**M. Achasov, et al., STCF conceptual design report (Volume 1): Physics & detector, *Front. Phys.* 19(1), 14701 (2024)**



# Outline



- Introduction
- Physics Opportunities
- Project Promotion and progress**
- Summary and Outlook

Super Charm-tau Factory

**Proposed at "Workshop for acc. based high energy physics development strategy"**

2011

**Hefei Comprehensive National Science and Technology center, STCF listed as a big science facility to be promoted**

2015

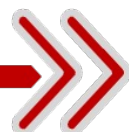
**Conceptual Design report Publish the CDR for the physics and Detector, formulate the preliminary CDR for accelerator**

2018

- **Chinese Academy of Sciences, 2021-2026, International Partnership program, 5.0 M RMB**
- **Ministry of Science and Technology, 2022-2027, National Key R&D Program of China, 17.5 M RMB**
- **National Natural Science Foundation of China, 2024-2027, Group of Key Projects, 14.0 M RMB**

2021

2022.4



**Fragrant Hills Science Forum Demonstrated its importance and necessity, Urging to launch feasibility study and R&D**

**USTC "double first-class" key project Launch the conceptual design study and feasibility study**

**Governments of Anhui Province and Hefei City Launch the STCF Key Technology R&D project**

## (Domestic) STCF Workshops

Time	Place	Content
2018.10	Hengyang (USC)	STCF
2019.03	Beijing (UCAS)	STCF: Physics
2019.07	Hefei (USTC)	STCF: Accelerator
2019.08	Hefei (USTC)	STCF: Phys. & simulations
2019.11	Beijing (UCAS)	STCF: CDR
2020.08	Hefei (USTC)	STCF: From CDR to TDR
2022.12	Guangzhou (SYSU)	STCF: R&D kick-off
2023.07	Zhengzhou (ZZU)	STCF: Collaboration
2024.07	Lanzhou (LZU)	(scheduled)



## STCF Project Development Meetings

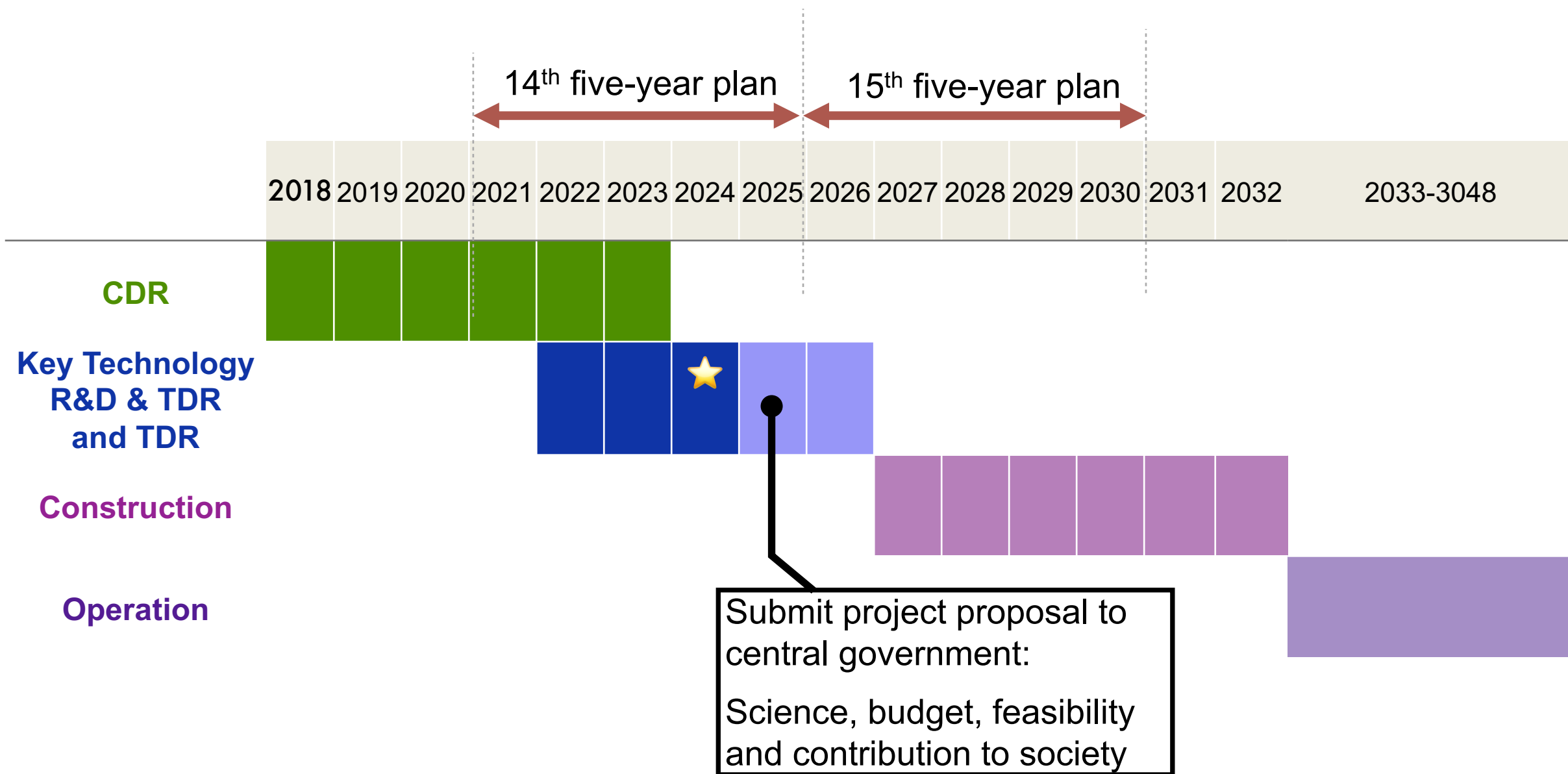
Time	Place	Meetings
2022.04	Hefei (USTC)	STCF Key Technology R&D Project Demonstration Meeting
2023.08	Hefei (USTC)	STCF Key Technology R&D Project Kick-off Meeting
2023.12	Hefei (USTC)	STCF Key Technology R&D Project Budget Review Meeting
2024.01	Hefei (USTC)	STCF 1 <sup>st</sup> International Advisory Committee Meeting
2024.05	Hefei (USTC)	STCF 1 <sup>st</sup> National Consultative Committee Meeting



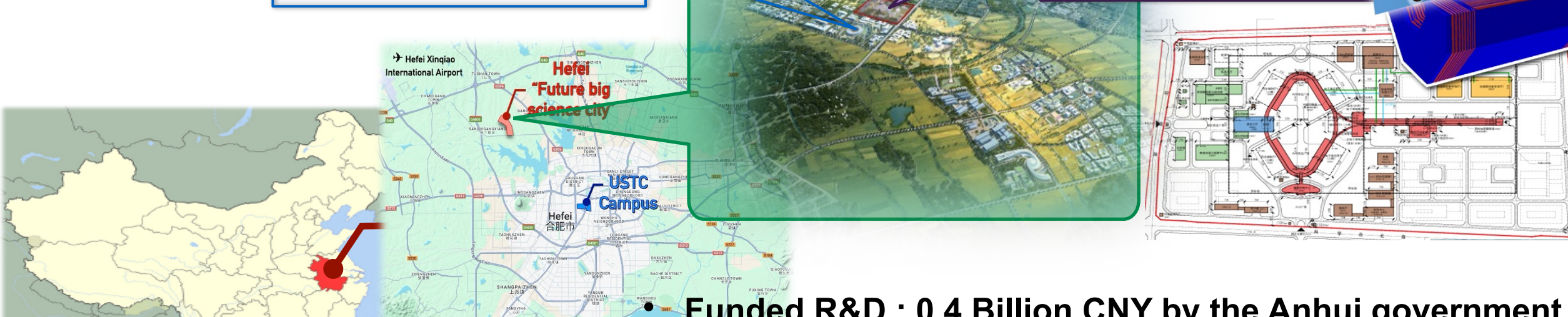
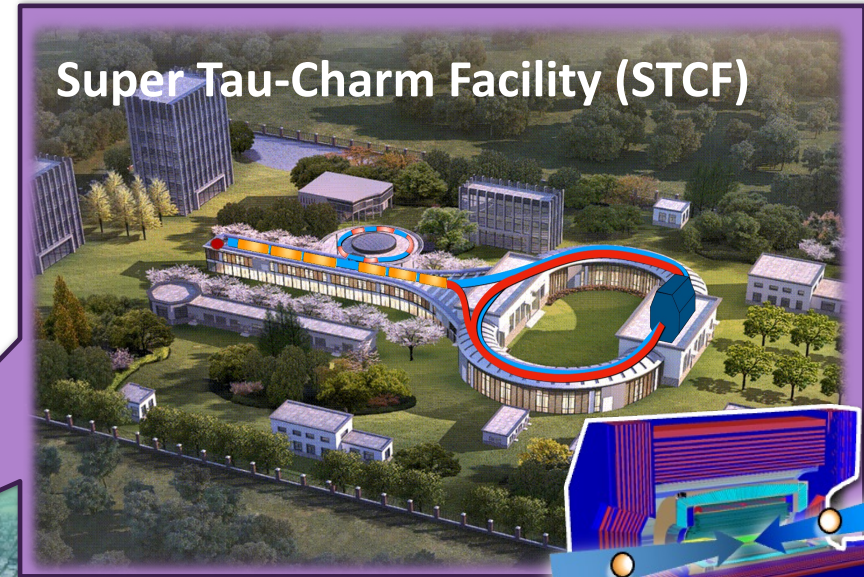
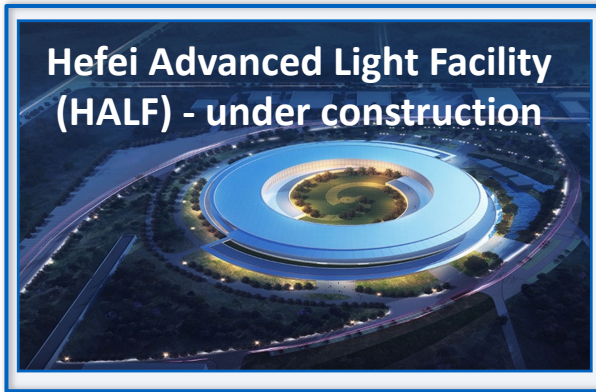
Time	Place	Content
2015.01	Hefei, <b>China</b>	International Workshop focused on Super tau-Charm Facility in China
2018.03	Beijing, <b>China</b>	International Workshop focused on Super tau-Charm Facility in China
2018.05	Novosibirsk, <b>Russia</b>	International Workshop focused on Super tau-Charm Facility in Russia
2018.12	Paris, <b>France</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> FTCF (Joint International Workshop)
2019.08	Moscow, <b>Russia</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> FTCF
2020.11	Online, <b>China</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> FTCF
2021.11	Online, <b>Russia</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> FTCF
2024.01	Hefei, <b>China</b>	5 <sup>th</sup> FTCF
2024.11	Guangzhou, <b>China</b>	6 <sup>th</sup> FTCF



# Tentative Project Schedule



## Hefei Comprehensive National Science Center “Future Big Science City”, Hefei, Anhui Province



- **Funded R&D : 0.4 Billion CNY by the Anhui government**
- **Construction budget : 4.5 Billion CNY**



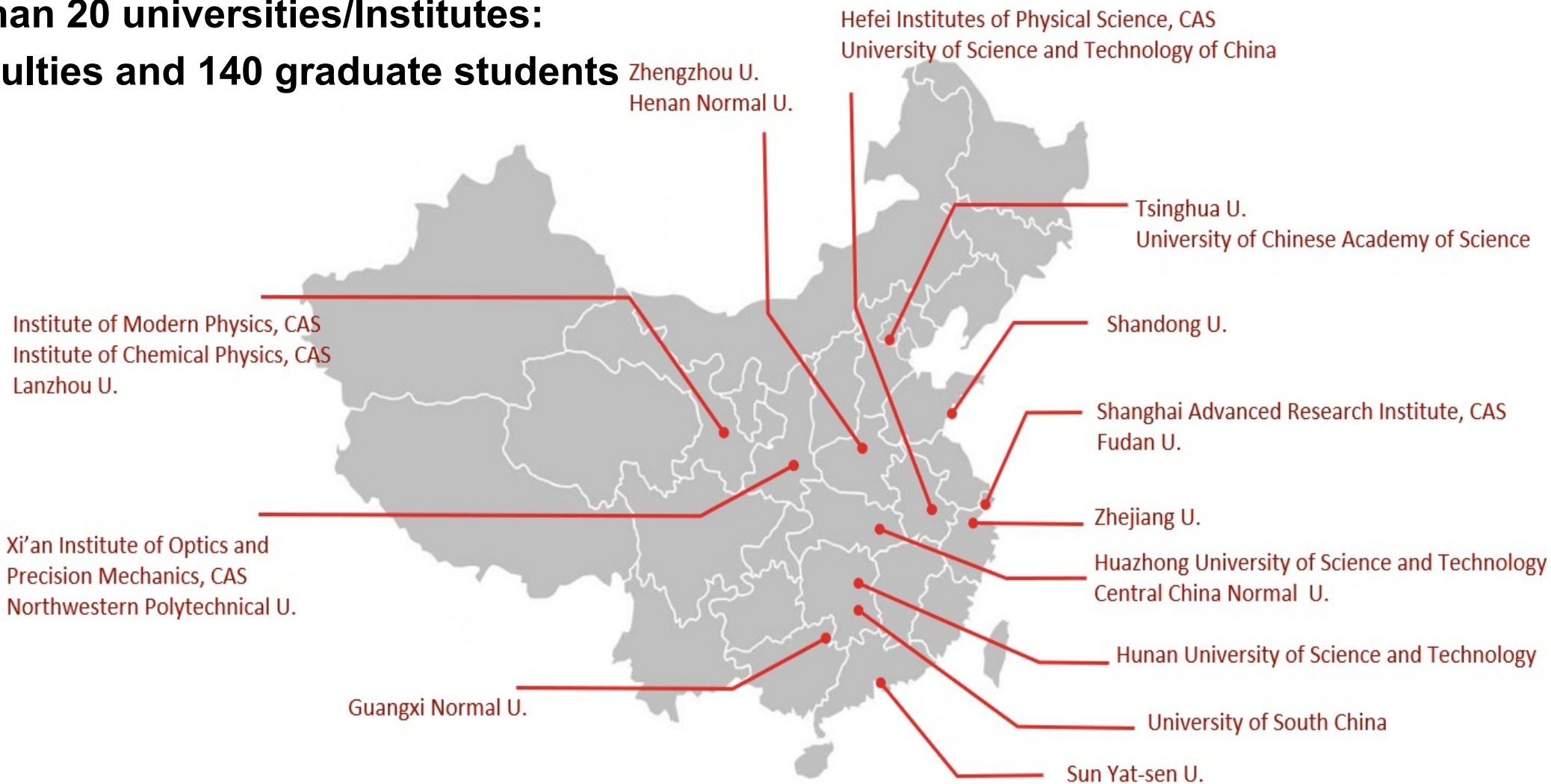
# Key Technology R&D – Research team



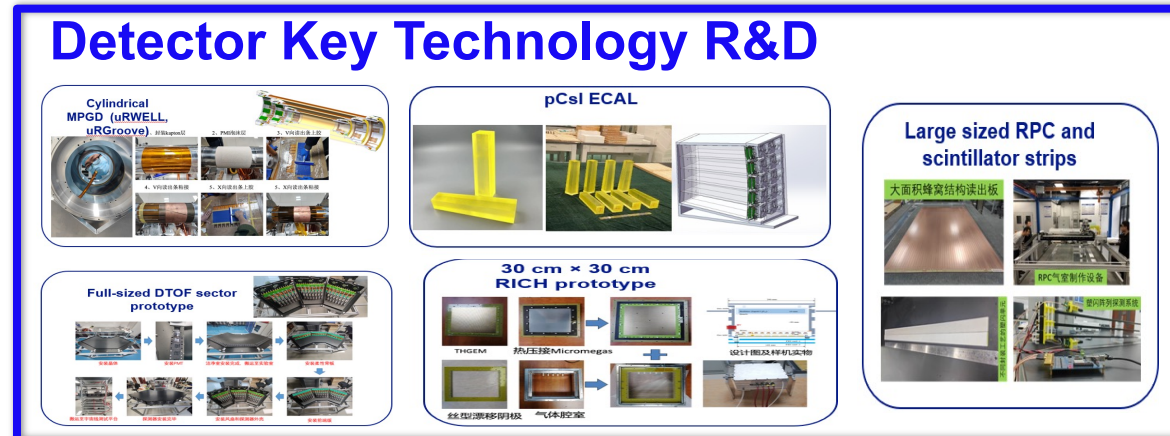
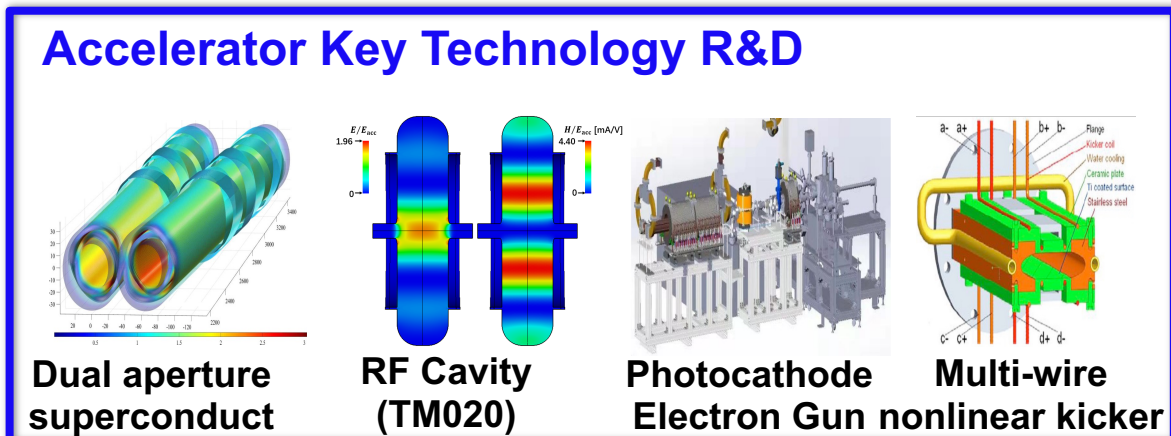
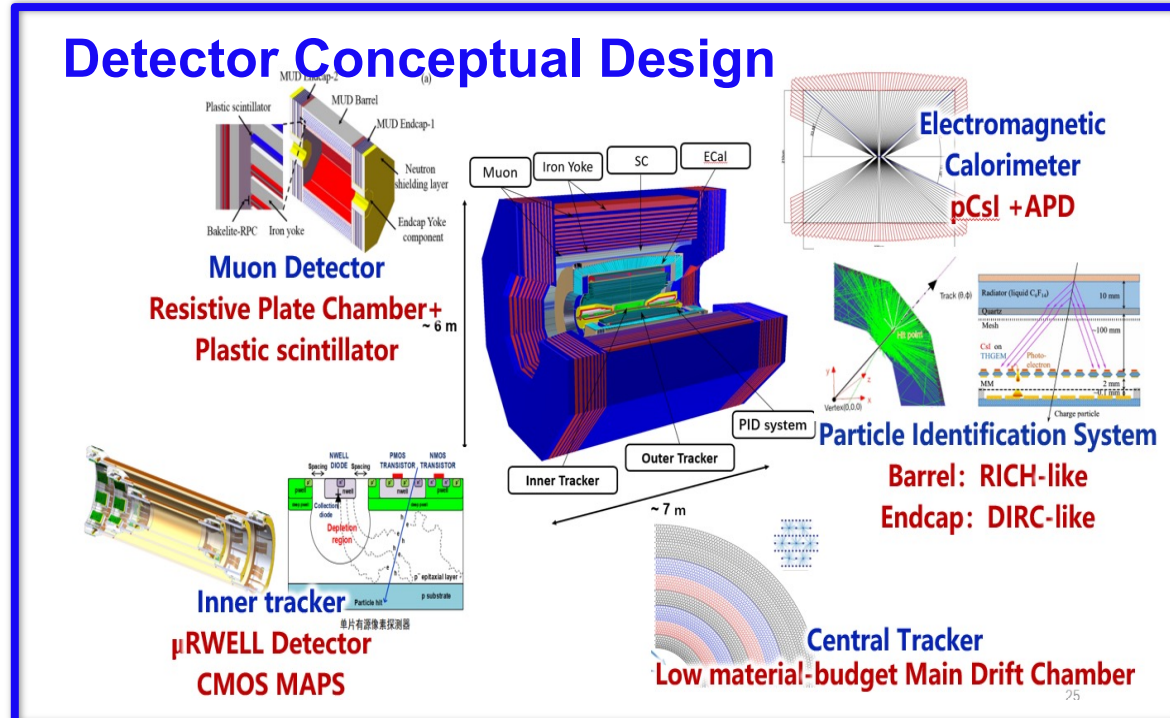
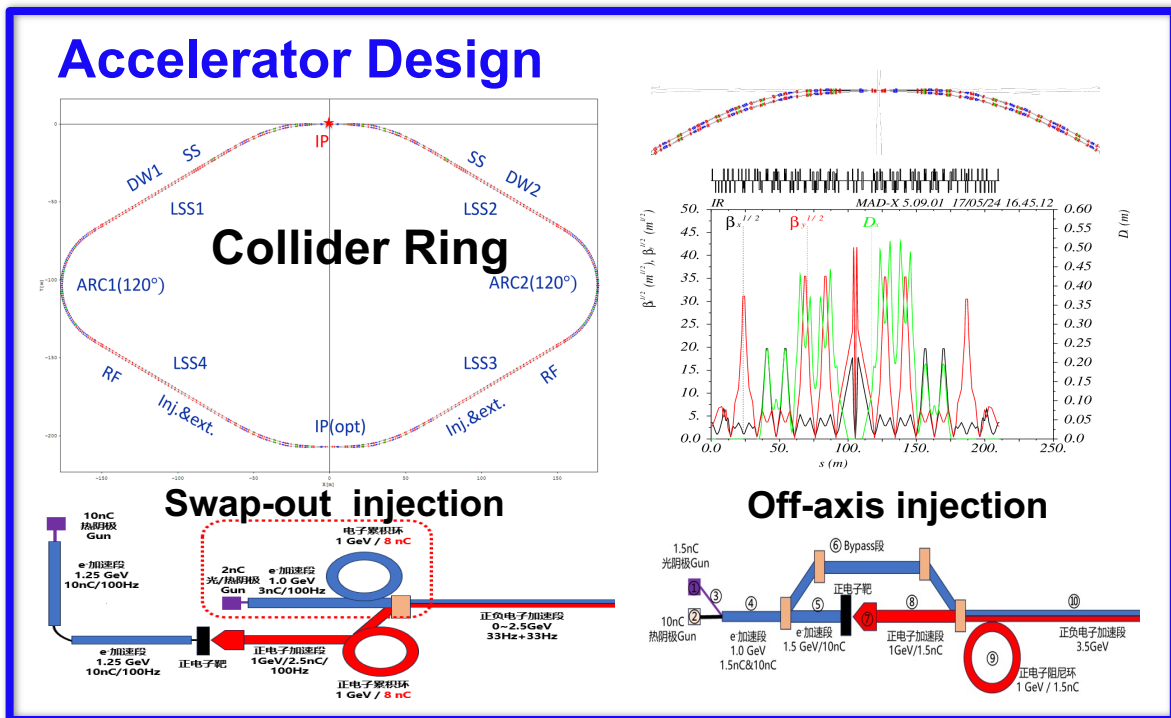
Began from year 2023

More than 20 universities/Institutes:

170 faculties and 140 graduate students







- STCF is **an unique facility** in precision frontier
  - $E_{cm} = 2\text{-}7\text{GeV}$ , peaking  $\mathcal{L} > 0.5 \times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ , polarized beam (Phase II)
  - Symmetric, double ring with circumference around 600~1000 m
- STCF has **rich physics program**, and has **potential for breakthrough** to the understanding of strong interaction, and to the new physics searches, but it also **challenge** in both accelerator and spectrometer
- **Project R&D** is ongoing with strong support from local government and key technologies will be **developed** in 2-3 years.
- Aiming to submit a proposal to the central government in 2025 for inclusion in the **15th five-year plan** (2026-2030)
- More international **collaboration** and **synergies** with other projects are always welcome.



# The 6<sup>th</sup> International Workshop on Future Tau Charm Facilities (FTCF2024-Guangzhou)



- The 6th International Workshop on Future Tau Charm Facilities (FTCF2024-Guangzhou)
- will be hosted by Sun Yat-Sen University (SYSU), in Guangzhou, China, Nov. 17 - 21, 2024

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# The 12th Circum-Pan-Pacific Symposium on High Energy Spin Physics

November 9-12, 2024 at Hefei, China

## Topics of the symposium include:

- Transverse and longitudinal spin structure of the nucleon
- Polarized parton distribution functions and fragmentation functions
- Transverse momentum dependent distributions
- Generalized parton distributions and form factors
- Spin physics in future electron-ion colliders (EICs)
- Spin polarization in heavy ion collisions
- Spin structure of the nucleon in Lattice QCD and effective QCD models
- New ideas, methods and future facilities



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