

# Recent Results From BESIII

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We present recent results from the BES experiment on the observation of the  $Y(2175)$  in  $J/\psi \rightarrow \phi f_0(980)\eta$ , and  $\eta(2225)$  in  $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma\phi\phi$ , and  $X(1440)$  in  $J/\psi$  hadronic decays, together with the new observation of  $\psi(2S)$  radiative decays and hadronic decays into  $nK_S^0\bar{\Lambda} + c.c.$ ,  $\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}\pi^0$ ,  $\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}\eta$ . The effort to search for  $J/\psi$  decays into  $\gamma\gamma$  and invisible decays are also reported.

## 1. Introduction

The analyses reported in this talk were performed using either a sample of  $58 \times 10^6$   $J/\psi$  events or a sample of  $14 \times 10^6$   $\psi(2S)$  events collected with the upgraded Beijing Spectrometer (BESII) detector [1] at the Beijing Electron-Positron Collider (BEPC).

## 2. Light hadron spectroscopy

### 2.1. The $Y(2175)$ in $J/\psi \rightarrow \phi f_0(980)\eta$ [2]

A new structure, denoted as  $Y(2175)$  and with mass  $m = 2.175 \pm 0.010 \pm 0.015$   $\text{GeV}/c^2$  and width  $\Gamma = 58 \pm 16 \pm 20$   $\text{MeV}/c^2$ , was observed by the BaBar experiment in the  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma_{ISR}\phi f_0(980)$  initial-state radiation process [3, 4]. This observation stimulated some theoretical speculation that this  $J^{PC} = 1^{--}$  state may be an  $s$ -quark version of the  $Y(4260)$  since both of them are produced in  $e^+e^-$  annihilation and exhibit similar decay patterns [5, 6].

Here we report the observation of the  $Y(2175)$  in the decays of  $J/\psi \rightarrow \eta\phi f_0(980)$ , with  $\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ ,  $\phi \rightarrow K^+K^-$ ,  $f_0(980) \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ . A four-constraint energy-momentum conservation kinematic fit is performed to the  $K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-\gamma\gamma$  hypothesis for the selected four charged tracks and two photons.  $\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  candidates are defined as  $\gamma$ -pairs with  $|M_{\gamma\gamma} - 0.547| < 0.037$   $\text{GeV}/c^2$ , a  $\phi$  signal is defined as  $|m_{K^+K^-} - 1.02| < 0.019$   $\text{GeV}/c^2$ , and in the  $\pi^+\pi^-$  invariant mass spectrum, candidate  $f_0(980)$  mesons are defined by  $|m_{\pi^+\pi^-} - 0.980| < 0.060$   $\text{GeV}/c^2$ . The  $\phi f_0(980)$  invariant mass spectrum for the selected events is shown in Fig. 1, where a clear enhancement is seen around 2.18  $\text{GeV}/c^2$ . Fit with a Breit-Wigner and a polynomial background yields  $52 \pm 12$  signal events and the statistical significance is found to be  $5.5\sigma$  for the signal. The mass of the structure is determined to be  $M = 2.186 \pm 0.010$  (*stat*)  $\pm 0.006$  (*syst*)  $\text{GeV}/c^2$ , the width is  $\Gamma = 0.065 \pm 0.023$  (*stat*)  $\pm 0.017$  (*syst*)  $\text{GeV}/c^2$ , and the product branching ratio is  $\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow \eta Y(2175)) \cdot \mathcal{B}(Y(2175) \rightarrow \phi f_0(980)) \cdot \mathcal{B}(f_0(980) \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-) = (3.23 \pm 0.75$  (*stat*)  $\pm 0.73$  (*syst*))  $\times 10^{-4}$ . The mass and width are consistent with BaBar's results.

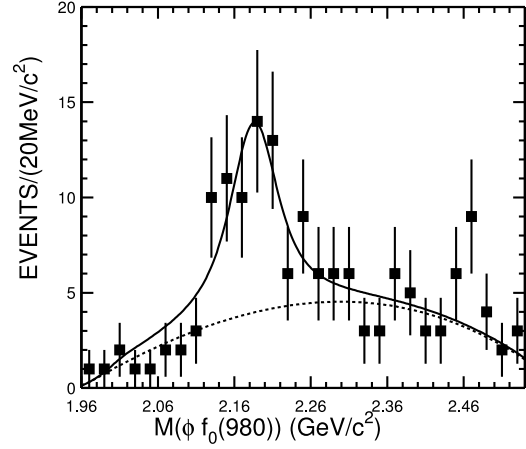


Figure 1: The  $\phi f_0(980)$  invariant mass distribution of the data (points with error bars) and the fit (solid curve) with a Breit-Wigner function and polynomial background; the dashed curve indicates the background function.

### 2.2. The $\eta(2225)$ in $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma\phi\phi$ [7]

Structures in the  $\phi\phi$  invariant-mass spectrum have been observed by several experiments both in the reaction  $\pi^-p \rightarrow \phi\phi n$  [8] and in radiative  $J/\psi$  decays [9–11]. The  $\eta(2225)$  was first observed by the MARK-III collaboration in  $J/\psi$  radiative decays  $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma\phi\phi$ . A fit to the  $\phi\phi$  invariant-mass spectrum gave a mass of 2.22  $\text{GeV}/c^2$  and a width of 150  $\text{MeV}/c^2$  [9]. An angular analysis of the structure found it to be consistent with a  $0^{-+}$  assignment. It was subsequently observed by the DM2 collaboration, also in  $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma\phi\phi$  decays [10, 11].

We present results from a high statistics study of  $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma\phi\phi$  in the  $\gamma K^+K^-K_S^0K_L^0$  final state, with the  $K_L^0$  missing and reconstructed with a one-constraint kinematic fit. After kinematic fit, we require both the  $K^+K^-$  and  $K_S^0K_L^0$  invariant masses lie within the  $\phi$  mass region ( $|M(K^+K^-) - m_\phi| < 12.5$   $\text{MeV}/c^2$  and  $|M(K_S^0K_L^0) - m_\phi| < 25$   $\text{MeV}/c^2$ ). The  $\phi\phi$  invariant mass distribution is shown in Fig. 2. There are a total of 508 events with a prominent structure around 2.24  $\text{GeV}/c^2$ .

A partial wave analysis of the events with  $M(\phi\phi) < 2.7$   $\text{GeV}/c^2$  was performed. The two-body decay

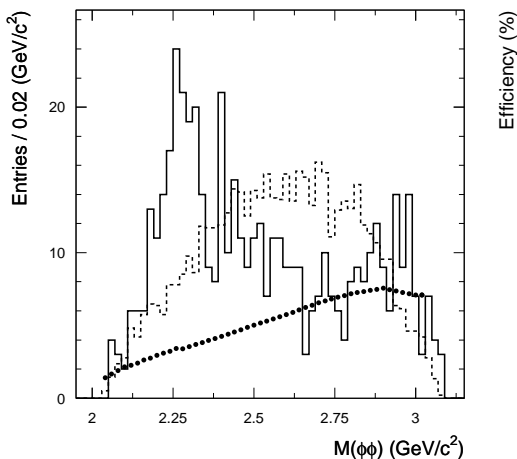


Figure 2: The  $K^+K^-K_S^0K_L^0$  invariant mass distribution for  $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma\phi\phi$  candidate events. The dashed histogram is the phase space invariant mass distribution, and the dotted curve indicates how the acceptance varies with the  $\phi\phi$  invariant mass.

amplitudes in the sequential decay process  $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma X, X \rightarrow \phi\phi, \phi \rightarrow K^+K^-$  and  $\phi \rightarrow K_S^0K_L^0$  are constructed using the covariant helicity coupling amplitude method. The intermediate resonance  $X$  is described with the normal Breit-Wigner propagator  $BW = 1/(M^2 - s - iM\Gamma)$ , where  $s$  is the  $\phi\phi$  invariant mass-squared and  $M$  and  $\Gamma$  are the resonance's mass and width. When  $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma X, X \rightarrow \phi\phi$  is fitted with both the  $\phi\phi$  and  $\gamma X$  systems in a  $P$ -wave, which corresponds to a pseudoscalar  $X$  state, the fit gives  $196 \pm 19$  events with mass  $M = 2.24^{+0.03+0.03}_{-0.02-0.02}$  GeV/ $c^2$ , width  $\Gamma = 0.19 \pm 0.03^{+0.04}_{-0.06}$  GeV/ $c^2$ , and a statistical significance larger than  $10\sigma$ , and a product branching fraction of:  $\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma\eta(2225)) \cdot \mathcal{B}(\eta(2225) \rightarrow \phi\phi) = (4.4 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.8) \times 10^{-4}$ .

The presence of a signal around 2.24 GeV/ $c^2$  and its pseudoscalar character are confirmed, and the mass, width, and branching fraction are in good agreement with previous experiments.

### 2.3. The $X(1440)$ in $J/\psi$ hadronic decays [12]

A pseudoscalar gluonium candidate, the so-called  $E/\iota(1440)$ , was observed in  $p\bar{p}$  annihilation in 1967 [13] and in  $J/\psi$  radiative decays in the 1980's [14–16]. The study of the decays  $J/\psi \rightarrow \{\omega, \phi\}K\bar{K}\pi$  is a useful tool in the investigation of quark and possible gluonium content of the states around 1.44 GeV/ $c^2$ . Here we investigate the possible structure in the  $K\bar{K}\pi$  final state in  $J/\psi$  hadronic decays at around 1.44 GeV/ $c^2$ .

In this analysis,  $\omega$  mesons are observed in the  $\omega \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$  decay,  $\phi$  mesons in the  $\phi \rightarrow K^+K^-$  decay, and other mesons are detected in the decays:

$K_S^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-, \pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ .  $K\bar{K}\pi$  could be  $K_S^0K^\pm\pi^\mp$  or  $K^+K^-\pi^0$ .

Figures 3 and 4 show the  $K_S^0K^\pm\pi^\mp$  and  $K^+K^-\pi^0$  invariant mass spectra after  $\omega$  selection ( $|m_{\pi^+\pi^-\gamma\gamma} - m_\omega| < 0.04$  GeV/ $c^2$ ) or  $\phi$  signal selection ( $|m_{K^+K^-} - m_\phi| < 0.015$  GeV/ $c^2$ ). Clear  $X(1440)$  signal is observed recoiling against the  $\omega$ , and there is no significant signal recoiling against a  $\phi$ .

The  $K_S^0K^\pm\pi^\mp$  invariant mass distribution in  $J/\psi \rightarrow \omega K_S^0K^\pm\pi^\mp$  (Fig. 3(b)) is fitted with a BW function convoluted with a Gaussian mass resolution function ( $\sigma = 7.44$  MeV/ $c^2$ ) to represent the  $X(1440)$  signal and a third-order polynomial background function. The mass and width obtained from the fit are  $M = 1437.6 \pm 3.2$  MeV/ $c^2$  and  $\Gamma = 48.9 \pm 9.0$  MeV/ $c^2$ , and the fit yields  $249 \pm 35$  events. Using the efficiency of 1.45% determined from a uniform phase space MC simulation, we obtain the branching fraction to be  $\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow \omega X(1440)) \cdot \mathcal{B}(X(1440) \rightarrow K_S^0K^\pm\pi^\mp + c.c.) = (4.86 \pm 0.69 \pm 0.81) \times 10^{-4}$ , where the first error is statistical and the second one systematic.

For  $J/\psi \rightarrow \omega K^+K^-\pi^0$  mode, by fitting the  $K^+K^-\pi^0$  mass spectrum in Fig. 3(c) with same functions, we obtain the mass and width of  $M = 1445.9 \pm 5.7$  MeV/ $c^2$  and  $\Gamma = 34.2 \pm 18.5$  MeV/ $c^2$ , and the number of events from the fit is  $62 \pm 18$ . The efficiency is determined to be 0.64% from a phase space MC simulation, and the branching fraction is  $\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow \omega X(1440)) \cdot \mathcal{B}(X(1440) \rightarrow K^+K^-\pi^0) = (1.92 \pm 0.57 \pm 0.38) \times 10^{-4}$ , in good agreement with the isospin symmetry expectation from  $J/\psi \rightarrow \omega K_S^0K^\pm\pi^\mp$  mode.

The distribution of  $K_S^0K^\pm\pi^\mp$  and  $K^+K^-\pi^0$  invariant mass spectra recoiling against the  $\phi$  signal are shown in Fig. 4, and there is no evidence for  $X(1440)$ . The upper limits on the branching fractions at the 90% C.L. are  $\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow \phi X(1440) \rightarrow \phi K_S^0K^\pm\pi^\mp + c.c.) < 1.93 \times 10^{-5}$  and  $\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow \phi X(1440) \rightarrow \phi K^+K^-\pi^0) < 1.71 \times 10^{-5}$ .

In conclusion, the mass and width of the  $X(1440)$  are measured, which are in agreement with previous measurements; the branching fractions we measured are also in agreement with the DM2 and MARK-III results. The significant signal in  $J/\psi \rightarrow \omega K\bar{K}\pi$  mode and the missing signal in  $J/\psi \rightarrow \phi X$  mode may indicate the  $s\bar{s}$  component in the  $X(1440)$  is not significant.

## 3. New observations in $J/\psi$ and $\psi(2S)$ decays

### 3.1. $\psi(2S)$ radiative decays

Besides conventional meson and baryon states, QCD also predicts a rich spectrum of glueballs, hybrids, and multi-quark states in the 1.0 to 2.5 GeV/ $c^2$  mass region. Therefore, searches for the evidence of these exotic states play an important role in testing

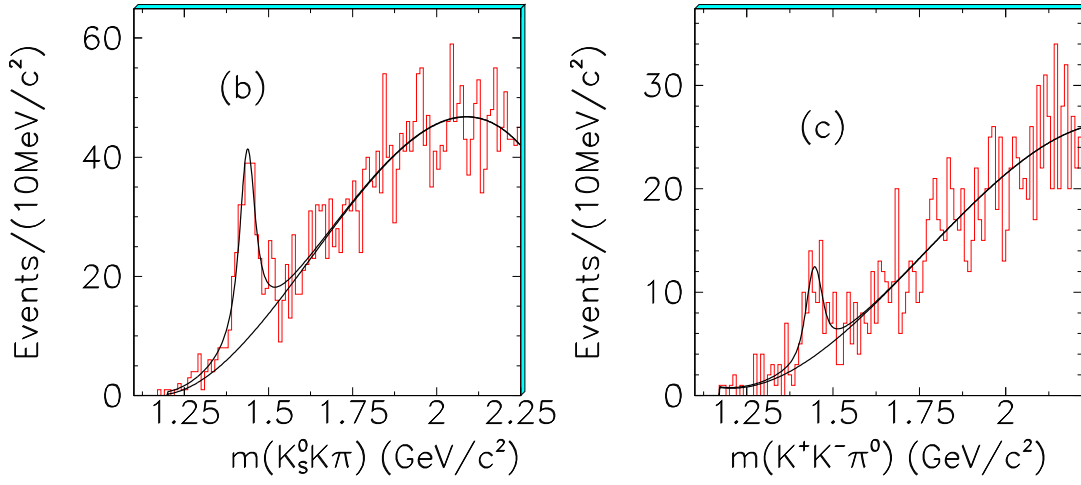


Figure 3: The  $K\bar{K}\pi$  invariant mass distribution for  $J/\psi \rightarrow \omega K_S^0 K^\pm \pi^\mp$  (b) and  $\omega K^+ K^- \pi^0$  (c) candidate events. The curves are the best fit.

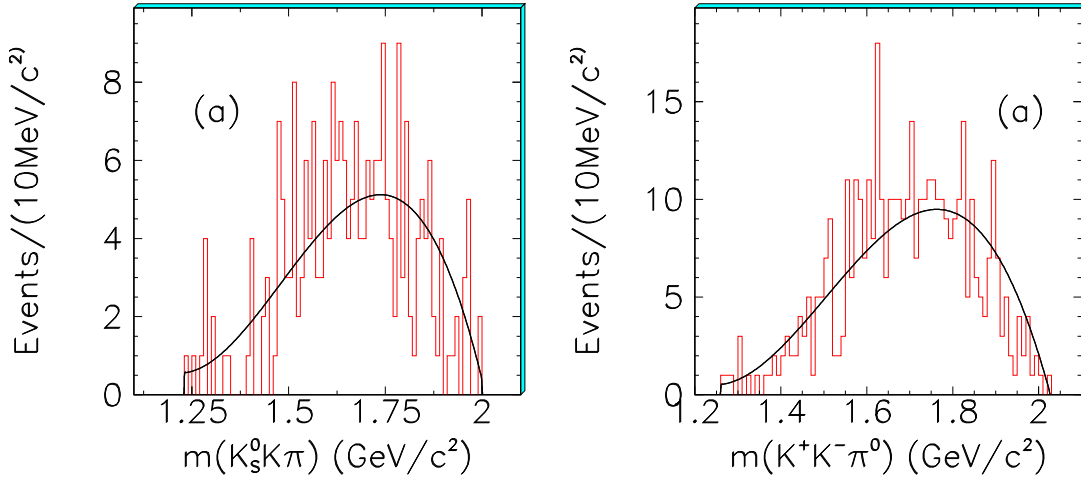


Figure 4: The  $K_S^0 K^\pm \pi^\mp$  (left) and  $K^+ K^- \pi^0$  (right) invariant mass recoiling against the  $\phi$  in  $J/\psi \rightarrow \phi K\bar{K}\pi$  mode.

QCD. The radiative decays of  $\psi(2S)$  to hadrons are expected to contribute about 1% to the total  $\psi(2S)$  decay width [17]. However, the measured channels only sum up to about 0.05% [18].

We measured the decays of  $\psi(2S)$  into  $\gamma p\bar{p}$ ,  $\gamma 2(\pi^+\pi^-)$ ,  $\gamma K_S^0 K^+\pi^- + c.c.$ ,  $\gamma K^+ K^- \pi^+\pi^-$ ,  $\gamma K^{*0} K^- \pi^+ + c.c.$ ,  $\gamma K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$ ,  $\gamma \pi^+\pi^- p\bar{p}$ ,  $\gamma 2(K^+ K^-)$ ,  $\gamma 3(\pi^+\pi^-)$ , and  $\gamma 2(\pi^+\pi^-) K^+ K^-$ , with the invariant mass of the hadrons ( $m_{hs}$ ) less than 2.9  $\text{GeV}/c^2$  for each decay mode [19]. The differential branching fractions are shown in Fig. 5. The branching fractions below  $m_{hs} < 2.9 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  are given in Table I, which sum up to 0.26% of the total  $\psi(2S)$  decay width. We also analyzed  $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma \pi^+\pi^-$  and  $\gamma K^+ K^-$

modes to study the resonances in  $\pi^+\pi^-$  and  $K^+ K^-$  invariant mass spectrum. Significant signals for  $f_2(1270)$  and  $f_0(1710)$  were observed, but the low statistics prevent us from drawing solid conclusion on the other resonances [20].

### 3.2. $J/\psi, \psi(2S) \rightarrow n K_S^0 \bar{\Lambda} + c.c., \Lambda \bar{\Lambda} \pi^0, \Lambda \bar{\Lambda} \eta$

The  $X(2075)$  was first reported by BESII near the threshold of the invariant mass spectrum of  $p\bar{\Lambda}$  in  $J/\psi \rightarrow p K^- \bar{\Lambda}$  decays. The mass, width, and product branching fraction of this enhancement are  $M = 2075 \pm 12$  (stat.)  $\pm 5$  (syst.)  $\text{MeV}/c^2$ ,  $\Gamma = 90 \pm 35$  (stat.)  $\pm 9$  (syst.)  $\text{MeV}/c^2$  [21], and  $B(J/\psi \rightarrow$

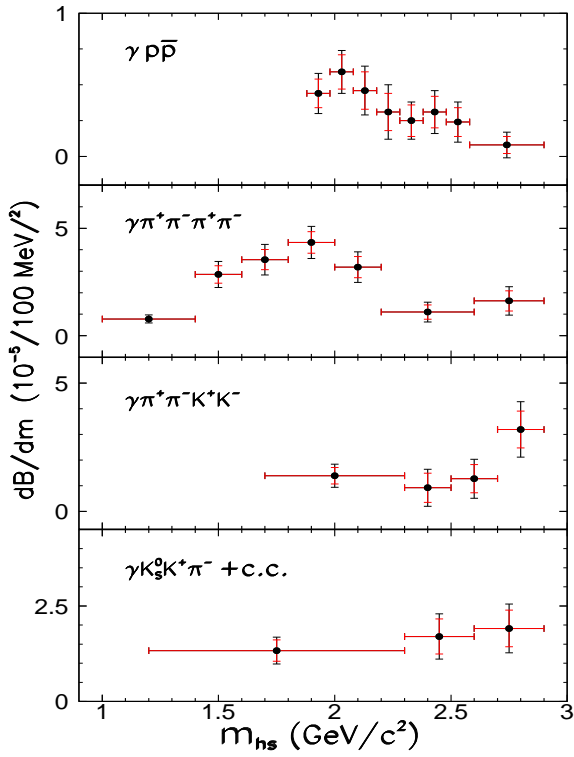


Figure 5: Differential branching fractions for  $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma p \bar{p}$ ,  $\gamma 2(\pi^+\pi^-)$ ,  $\gamma K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-$ , and  $\gamma K_S^0 K^+\pi^- + c.c.$ . Here  $m_{hs}$  is the invariant mass of the hadrons. For each point, the smaller longitudinal error is the statistical error, while the bigger one is the total error.

$K^-X)B(X \rightarrow p\bar{\Lambda} + c.c.) = (5.9 \pm 1.4 \pm 2.0) \times 10^{-5}$ , respectively. The study of the isospin conjugate channel  $J/\psi \rightarrow nK_S^0\bar{\Lambda}$  is therefore important not only in exploring new decay modes of  $J/\psi$  but also in understanding the  $X(2075)$ .

The invariant mass spectra of  $\Lambda K_S^0$ ,  $nK_S^0$ , and  $\bar{\Lambda}n(\Lambda\bar{n})$ , as well as the Dalitz plot for all selection requirements are shown in Fig. 6. In the  $\Lambda K_S^0$  invariant mass spectrum, an enhancement near  $\Lambda K_S^0$  threshold is evident, as is found in the  $\Lambda K$  mass spectrum in  $J/\psi \rightarrow pK^-\bar{\Lambda}$  [22]. If the enhancement is fitted with an acceptance weighted S-wave Breit-Wigner function and a function  $f_{bg}(\delta)$  describing the phase space “background” contribution, the fit leads to  $M=1.648 \pm 0.006 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  and  $\Gamma = 61 \pm 21 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ , respectively. Here the errors are only statistical. The systematic uncertainties are not included since more accurate measurements of the mass and width should come from a full PWA involving interferences among  $N^*$  and  $\Lambda^*$  states. The fitted mass and width are consistent with those obtained from a partial wave analysis of  $J/\psi \rightarrow pK^-\bar{\Lambda}$  [22]. The  $X(2075)$  signal which was seen in the  $p\bar{\Lambda}$  invariant mass spectrum in  $J/\psi \rightarrow pK^-\bar{\Lambda}$  is not significant here. Using a

Table I Branching fractions for  $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma + \text{hadrons}$  with  $m_{hs} < 2.9 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ , where the upper limits are determined at the 90% C.L.

Mode	$\mathcal{B}(\times 10^{-5})$
$\gamma p \bar{p}$	$2.9 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.4$
$\gamma 2(\pi^+\pi^-)$	$39.6 \pm 2.8 \pm 5.0$
$\gamma K_S^0 K^+\pi^- + c.c.$	$25.6 \pm 3.6 \pm 3.6$
$\gamma K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-$	$19.1 \pm 2.7 \pm 4.3$
$\gamma K^{*0} K^+\pi^- + c.c.$	$37.0 \pm 6.1 \pm 7.2$
$\gamma K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$	$24.0 \pm 4.5 \pm 5.0$
$\gamma \pi^+\pi^- p \bar{p}$	$2.8 \pm 1.2 \pm 0.7$
$\gamma K^+K^-K^+K^-$	$< 4$
$\gamma 3(\pi^+\pi^-)$	$< 17$
$\gamma 2(\pi^+\pi^-)K^+K^-$	$< 22$

Bayesian approach [23] and fixing the mass and width of  $X(2075)$  to  $2075 \text{ MeV}/c^2$  and  $90 \text{ MeV}/c^2$  respectively, the upper limit on the number of events observed  $N_{obs}^{UL}$  is 54 events at the 90% C.L.

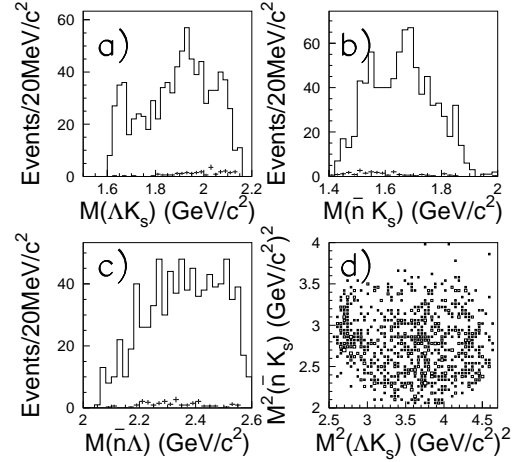


Figure 6: The invariant mass spectra of (a)  $\Lambda K_S^0$ , (b)  $\bar{n}K_S^0$ , and (c)  $\bar{n}\Lambda$ , as well as (d) the Dalitz plot for candidate events after all selection criteria. The crosses show the sideband backgrounds.

The decays of  $J/\psi$  and  $\psi(2S)$  to  $nK_S^0\bar{\Lambda} + c.c.$  are observed for the first time, and their branching fractions are:

$$\begin{aligned}
 B(J/\psi \rightarrow nK_S^0\bar{\Lambda} + c.c.) &= (6.46 \pm 0.20 \pm 1.07) \times 10^{-4}, \\
 B(J/\psi \rightarrow \bar{n}K_S^0\bar{\Lambda}) &= (3.09 \pm 0.14 \pm 0.58) \times 10^{-4}, \\
 B(J/\psi \rightarrow \bar{n}K_S^0\Lambda) &= (3.39 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.48) \times 10^{-4}, \\
 B(\psi(2S) \rightarrow nK_S^0\bar{\Lambda} + c.c.) &= (0.81 \pm 0.11 \pm 0.14) \times 10^{-4}.
 \end{aligned}$$

The isospin violating process  $J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda\bar{\Lambda}\pi^0$  has been studied by DM2 [24] and BESII [25], and its average branching fraction is determined to be  $\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda\bar{\Lambda}\pi^0) = (2.2 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-4}$  [26]. However, the isospin conserving process  $J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda\bar{\Lambda}\eta$  has not been reported, and there are no measurements for  $\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}\pi^0$  and  $\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}\eta$  decays of  $\psi(2S)$ .

Table II lists the results for  $J/\psi$  and  $\psi(2S)$  decay into  $\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}\pi^0$  and  $\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}\eta$ , as well as  $J/\psi \rightarrow \Sigma^+\pi^-\bar{\Lambda} + c.c.$ . We also list the total branching fraction for the conjugate modes, where the common systematic errors have been taken out. Except for  $J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda\bar{\Lambda}\pi^0$  and  $J/\psi \rightarrow \Sigma^+\pi^-\bar{\Lambda} + c.c.$ , the results are first measurements. Interestingly, the result of  $J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda\bar{\Lambda}\pi^0$  presented here is much smaller than those of DM2 and BESII [24, 25]. In previous experiments, the large contaminations from  $J/\psi \rightarrow \Sigma^0\pi^0\bar{\Lambda} + c.c.$  and  $J/\psi \rightarrow \Sigma^+\pi^-\bar{\Lambda} + c.c.$  were not considered, resulting in a large value of branching fraction for  $J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda\bar{\Lambda}\pi^0$ . The small branching fraction of  $J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda\bar{\Lambda}\pi^0$  and relatively large branching fraction of  $J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda\bar{\Lambda}\eta$  measured here indicate that the isospin violating decay in  $J/\psi$  decays is suppressed while isospin conserving decays are favored, which is consistent with expectation.

#### 4. Search for $J/\psi$ rare decays via

$$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- J/\psi$$

Search for  $J/\psi$  rare decays, e.g.  $C$ -parity violation or invisible decays, suffers from removing the QED backgrounds from the direct annihilation of  $e^+e^-$ . Using the  $J/\psi$  sample produced from  $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- J/\psi$ , the QED background can be strongly suppressed. The direct decay  $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  was previously measured to be  $Br(J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) < 5 \times 10^{-4}$ . BES studies the decay  $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  using  $J/\psi \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- J/\psi$ , and the upper limit for the branching ratio is measured to be  $Br(J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) < 2.2 \times 10^{-5}$  at 90% confidence level, which is about 20 times lower than previous measurements.

Invisible decays of quarkonium states offer a window into what may lie beyond the standard model. In standard model (SM), the predicted branching fraction for  $J/\psi \rightarrow \nu\nu$  is  $Br(J/\psi \rightarrow \nu\nu) = 4.54 \times 10^{-7} \times Br(J/\psi \rightarrow e^+e^-)$  with a small uncertainty (2%-3%). However, new physics beyond the SM might enhance the branching fraction of  $J/\psi$  invisible decays. One possibility is the decay into light dark matter particles mediated by a new, electrically neutral spin-1 gauge boson  $U$ , which could significantly increase the invisible decay rate [27]. It is of interest to search for such light invisible particle in collider experiments. Using  $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- J/\psi$  decays, a search for the decay of the  $J/\psi$  to invisible final states is performed. The  $J/\psi$  peak in the distribution of masses recoiling against the  $\pi^+\pi^-$  is used to tag  $J/\psi$  invisible decays.

No signal is found, and an upper limit at the 90% confidence level is determined to be  $1.2 \times 10^{-2}$  for the ratio  $\frac{\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow \text{invisible})}{\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)}$ . This is the first search for  $J/\psi$  decays to invisible final states.

## 5. Summary

Using the 58 M  $J/\psi$  and 14 M  $\psi(2S)$  event samples taken with the BESII detector at the BEPC storage ring, BES experiment provided many interesting results in charmonium decays, including the observation of the  $Y(2175)$ ,  $\eta(2225)$ ,  $X(1440)$ , and many  $\psi(2S)$  radiative decays. The effort to search for rare decays, e.g.  $J/\psi$  decays into  $\gamma\gamma$  and invisible decays are also reported. These results shed light on the understanding of role played by strong interactions in charmonium decays.

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Table II Measured branching fractions or upper limits at 90% confidence level (C.L.) for all the studied channels. Here,  $\mathcal{B}(\Lambda \rightarrow \pi^- p) = 63.9\%$ ,  $\mathcal{B}(\Sigma^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 p) = 51.6\%$  and  $\mathcal{B}(\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) = 39.4\%$  are taken from the PDG.

Channels	Number of events	MC efficiency(%)	Branching fraction ( $\times 10^{-4}$ )
$J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda \bar{\Lambda} \pi^0$	$< 11.2$	0.75	$< 0.64$
$J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda \bar{\Lambda} \eta$	$44 \pm 10$	1.8	$2.62 \pm 0.60 \pm 0.44$
$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \Lambda \bar{\Lambda} \pi^0$	$< 7.0$	2.5	$< 0.49$
$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \Lambda \bar{\Lambda} \eta$	$< 7.6$	2.9	$< 1.2$
$J/\psi \rightarrow \Sigma^+ \pi^- \bar{\Lambda}$	$335 \pm 22$	2.3	$7.70 \pm 0.51 \pm 0.83$
$J/\psi \rightarrow \bar{\Sigma}^- \pi^+ \Lambda$	$254 \pm 19$	1.8	$7.47 \pm 0.56 \pm 0.76$
$J/\psi \rightarrow \Sigma^+ \pi^- \bar{\Lambda} + c.c.$			$15.17 \pm 0.76 \pm 1.59$

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