



# Analysis of $J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$ and $D^{*0} \bar{D}^0$ Decays of the $X(3872)$

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- What is the  $X(3872)$ ?
- Universal properties
- Confusion from  $D^{*0} \bar{D}^0$  decay modes
- Line shapes
- Analysis of recent data from Belle, Babar

# X(3872)

discovered by Belle Collaboration in August 2003

$$B^+ \longrightarrow K^+ + X \quad X \longrightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$$

final-state  $J/\psi$   contains  $c\bar{c}$

- mass not consistent with charmonium spectrum predicted by potential models

- decays violate isospin symmetry:

$$X \longrightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^- \quad \text{isospin 1}$$

$$X \longrightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \quad \text{isospin 0} \quad \text{Belle}$$

# What is the $X(3872)$ ?

Two crucial experimental inputs:

I. Quantum numbers:  $J^{PC} = 1^{++}$

a.  $X \longrightarrow J/\psi \gamma$   $\longrightarrow$   $C=+$  Belle, Babar

b.  $X \longrightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$  angular distribution

$\longrightarrow$   $1^{++}$  or  $2^{-+}$  Belle, CDF

c.  $2^{-+}$  is disfavored by

$X \longrightarrow \psi(2S) \gamma$  Babar

$X \longrightarrow D^{*0} \bar{D}^0$  Belle, Babar

2. Mass is extremely close to  $D^{*0} \bar{D}^0$  threshold

$$M_X - (M_{D^{*0}} + M_{\bar{D}^0}) = -0.25 \pm 0.40 \text{ MeV}$$

measured in  $J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$  channel Belle, Babar, CDF

What is the  $X(3872)$ ?

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 S-wave coupling to  $D^{*0}\bar{D}^0$

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$$M_X - (M_{D^{*0}} + M_{D^0}) = -0.25 \pm 0.40 \text{ MeV}$$

 resonant coupling!

Conclusion:

$X(3872)$  is a weakly-bound charm meson molecule

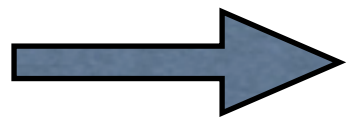
$$X = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (D^{*0}\bar{D}^0 + D^0\bar{D}^{*0})$$

with large separation between charm mesons

What is the  $X(3872)$ ?

## Nonrelativistic Quantum Mechanics

- short-range interactions
- S-wave resonance close enough to threshold



large scattering length  $a$  ( $\gg$  range)  
universal features depend only on  $a$ ,  
insensitive to shorter distances

$X(3872)$  close to  $D^{*0}D^0$  threshold



universal features depend only on  
large scattering length for  $D^{*0}D^0$

What is the  $X(3872)$ ?

## Universal features

scattering

- cross section:  $4\pi a^2$

bound state ( $a > 0$ )

- small binding energy:  $\hbar^2 / (2\mu a^2)$
- large rms separation:  $a / \sqrt{2}$

## $X(3872)$

- binding energy:  $0.25 \pm 0.40$  MeV
- rms separation:  $6.3_{-2.4}^{+\infty}$  fm

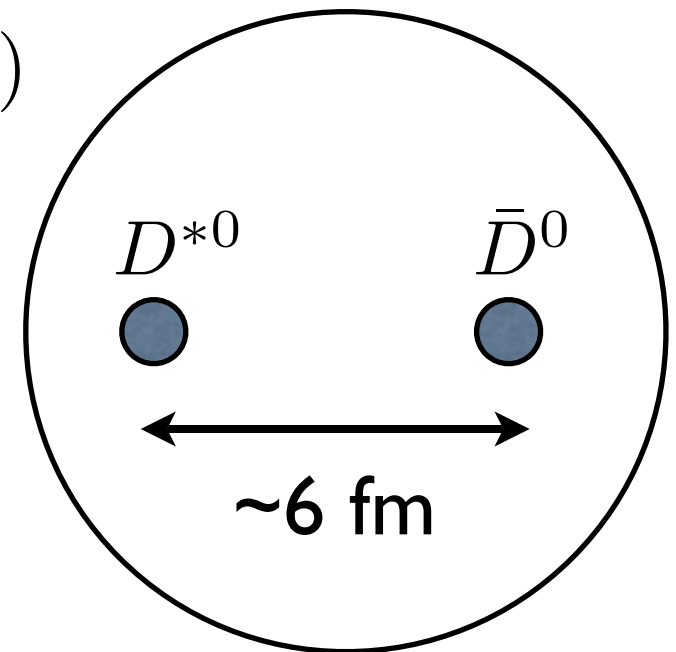


What is the  $X(3872)$ ?

universal properties of  $X(3872)$

do not depend on binding mechanism!

- potential between  $D^{*0}\bar{D}^0$   
just deep enough for bound state?
- P-wave charmonium state  $\chi_{c1}(2P)$   
near  $D^{*0}\bar{D}^0$  threshold?
- tetraquark state  $(cq\bar{c}\bar{q})$   
near  $D^{*0}\bar{D}^0$  threshold?

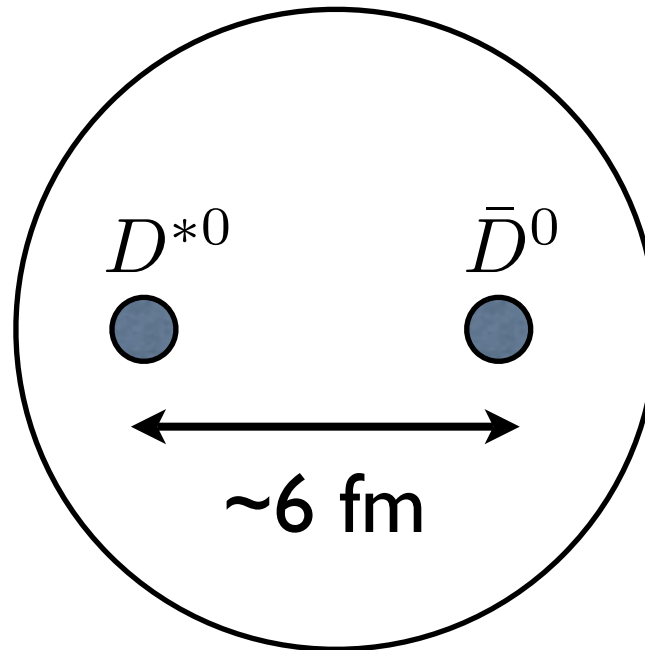


Resonant interactions with  $D^{*0}\bar{D}^0$

will transform it into a charm meson molecule

What is the  $X(3872)$ ?

$X(3872)$  is a weakly-bound charm meson molecule with large separation between charm mesons



Why is this conclusion not universally accepted?

- lack of familiarity with  $S$ -wave threshold resonances
- failure to distinguish between universal and nonuniversal predictions
- confusion from  $D^{*0}\bar{D}^0$  decay modes

What is the  $X(3872)$ ?

Example of failure to distinguish between  
**universal** and **nonuniversal** predictions

$$\frac{\text{Br}[X \rightarrow \psi(2S) \gamma]}{\text{Br}[X \rightarrow J/\psi \gamma]} = 3.4 \pm 1.4 \quad \text{Babar 2009}$$

“generally inconsistent  
with a purely  $D^{*0} \bar{D}^0$  molecular interpretation”

NO! inconsistent with model by Swanson  
in which  $X(3872)$  is bound state of  
 $D^* \bar{D}, D \bar{D}^*, J/\psi \rho, J/\psi \omega$

# Mass of the $X(3872)$

PDG average 2008, 2009:  
**3872.3 +/- 0.8 MeV**

from combining measurements

in  $J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$ ,  $D^0 \bar{D}^0 \pi^0$ ,  $D^{*0} \bar{D}^0$  channels

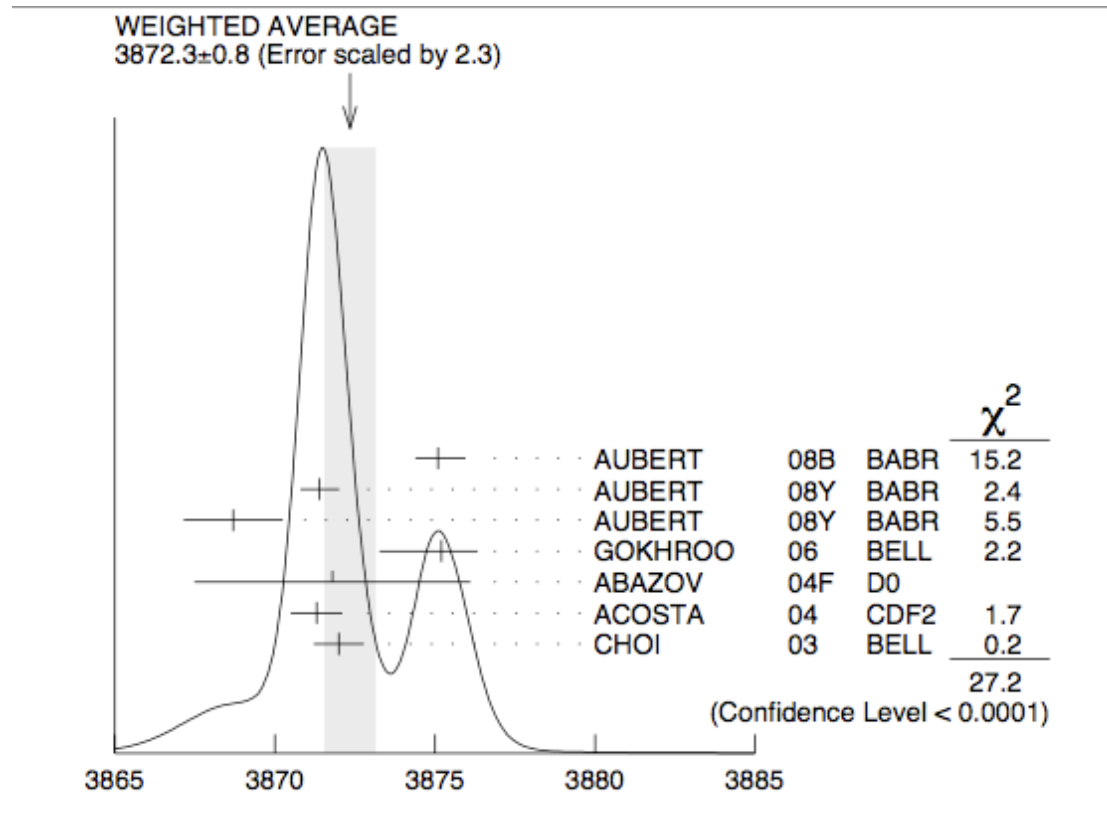
Belle, CDF, Babar, D0

BUT measurements in  $D^0 \bar{D}^0 \pi^0$ ,  $D^{*0} \bar{D}^0$  channels  
are NOT measurements of **mass** of  $X(3872)$ !

most recent measurements in  $J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$  channel  
Babar, Belle, CDF

**3871.55 +/- 0.20 MeV**

# measurements of mass of $X(3872)$



4 lowest measurements:  $J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$

2 highest measurements:  $D^0 \bar{D}^0 \pi^0$ ,  $D^{*0} \bar{D}^0$

incompatible sets of measurements

**PDG:** combine them anyway  
 and inflate error by 2.3

# Width of the $X(3872)$

PDG average 2008, 2009:  
 $3.4^{+2.1}_{-1.7}$  MeV

from Babar measurement in  $D^{*0}\bar{D}^0$  channel

BUT measurement in  $D^{*0}\bar{D}^0$  channel  
is NOT a measurement of **width** of  $X(3872)$ !

measurements in  $J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$  channel

$< 2.3$  MeV at 90% C.L.

Belle (2003)

$< 3.3$  MeV

Babar (2008)

# Line Shapes of the $X(3872)$

Braaten and Lu, Phys. Rev. D 76, 094028 (2007)

Phys. Rev. D 77, 014029 (2008)

Scattering amplitude  
for  $S$ -wave threshold resonance

$$\frac{1}{-\gamma + \sqrt{-2\mu(E + i\epsilon)}}$$

$E$  = energy relative to threshold

$\gamma$  = inverse scattering length

# Line shapes

## Scattering amplitude for $D^{*0} \bar{D}^0$

Take into account

- $D^{*0}$  width:  $\Gamma_{*0} \approx 70 \text{ keV}$
- inelastic scattering channels ( $J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$ , etc.)

 complex scattering length

$$f(E) = \frac{1}{-(\gamma_{\text{re}} + i\gamma_{\text{im}}) + \sqrt{-2\mu(E + i\Gamma_{*0}/2)}}$$

binding energy:  $E_X = (\gamma_{\text{re}}^2 + \gamma_{\text{im}}^2)/(2\mu)$

width:  $\Gamma_X = \Gamma_{*0} + 2\gamma_{\text{re}}\gamma_{\text{im}}/\mu$



# Line shapes

scattering amplitude for  $D^{*0} \bar{D}^0$

$$f(E) = \frac{1}{-(\gamma_{\text{re}} + i\gamma_{\text{im}}) + \sqrt{-2\mu(E + i\Gamma_{*0}/2)}}$$

spectral function

$$\text{Im}f(E) = |f(E)|^2 \gamma_{\text{im}} + |f(E)|^2 \left( \mu \sqrt{E^2 + \Gamma_{*0}^2/4} + \mu E \right)^{1/2}$$

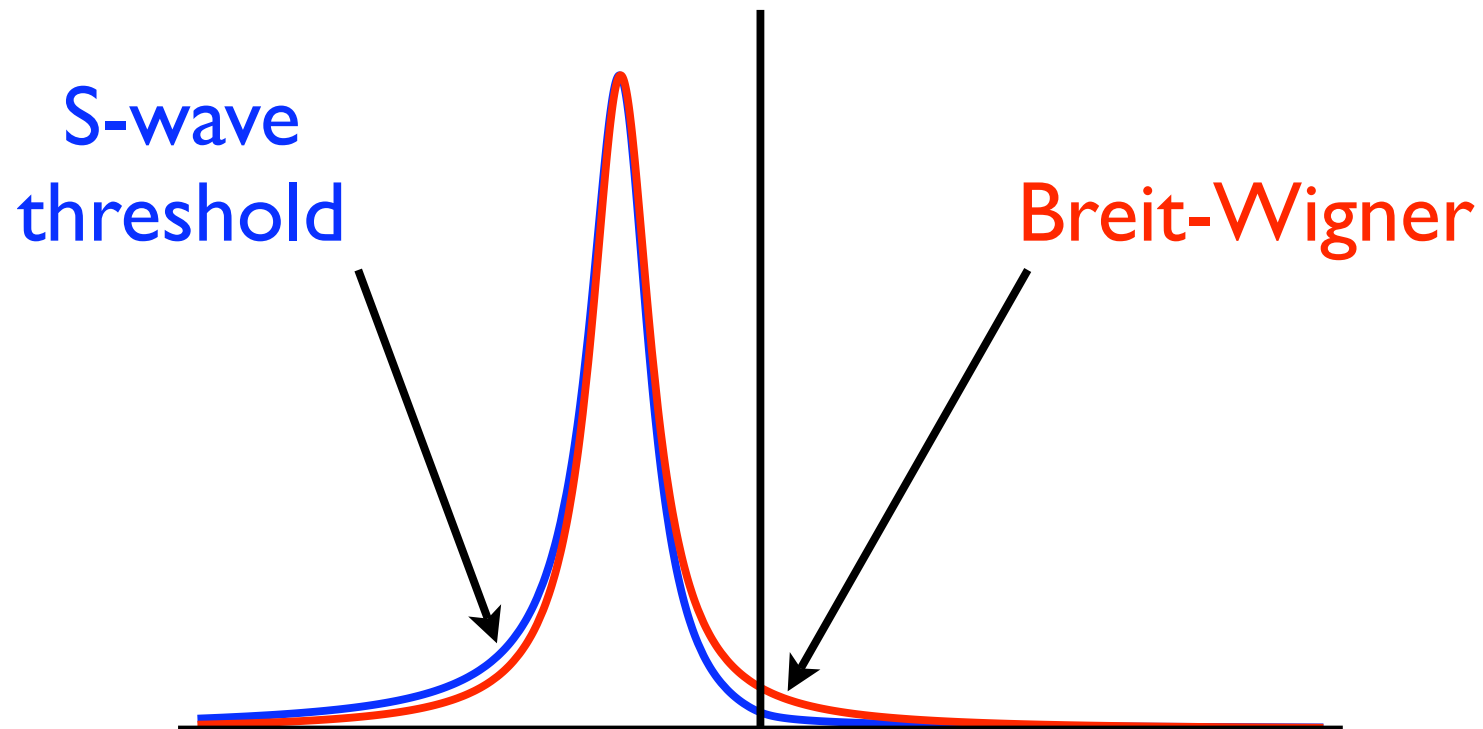
↑  
line shape in  
other channels:  
 $J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$ , etc.

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line shape in  
 $D^0 \bar{D}^0 \pi^0, D^0 \bar{D}^0 \gamma$

# Line shapes

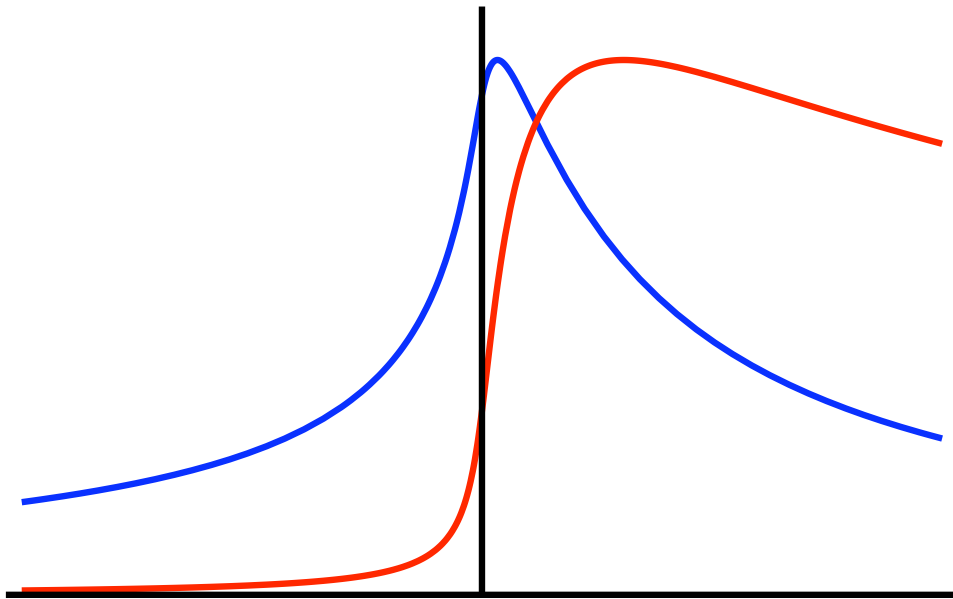
**Breit-Wigner** resonance: 
$$\frac{1}{|E + E_X + i\Gamma_X/2|^2}$$

**S-wave threshold** resonance: 
$$\frac{1}{|-(\gamma_{\text{re}} + i\gamma_{\text{im}}) + \sqrt{-2\mu(E + i\Gamma_{*0}/2)}|^2}$$



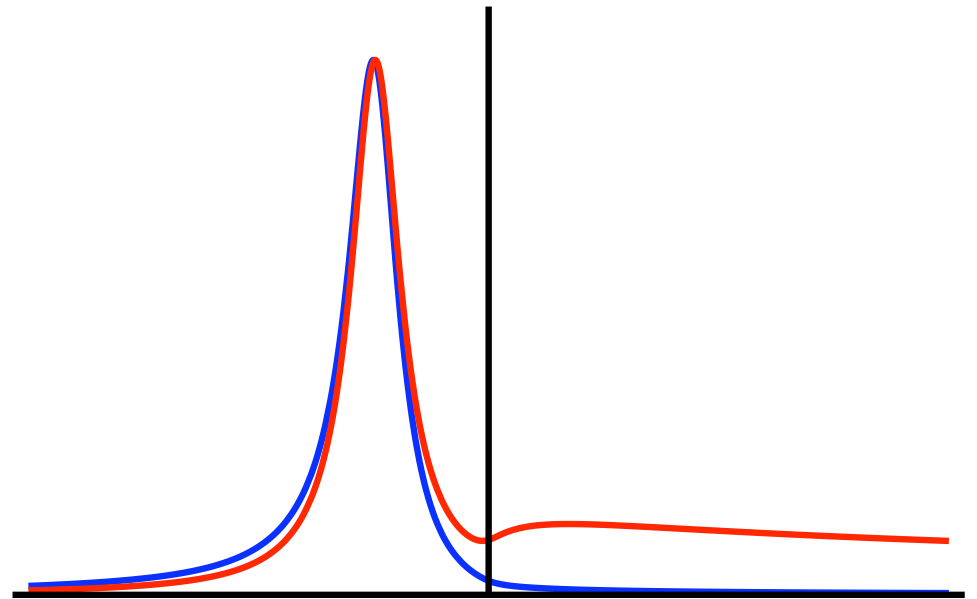
# Line shapes

$J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$  versus  $D^0 \bar{D}^0 \pi^0$



“virtual state”

$$\Upsilon_{\text{re}} < 0$$



“bound state”

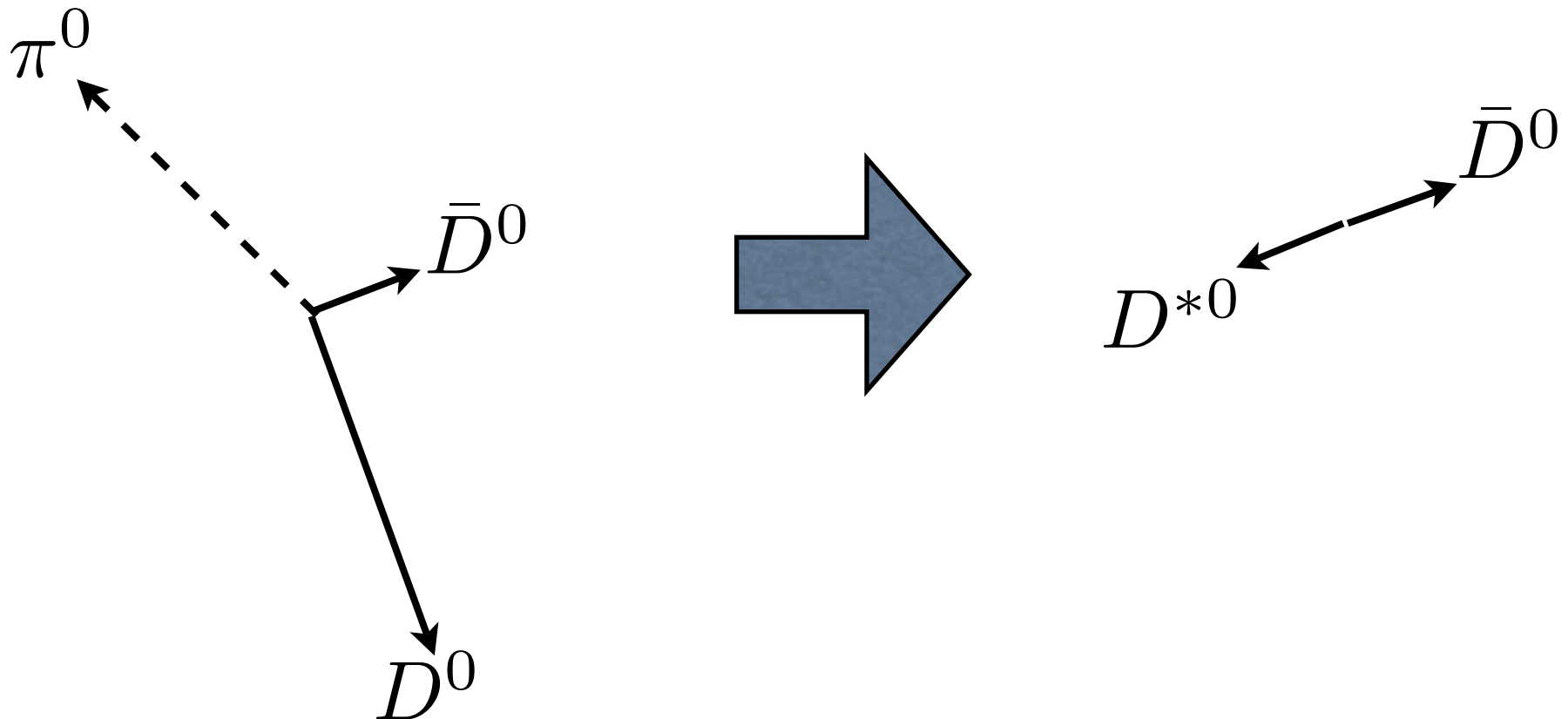
$$\Upsilon_{\text{re}} > 0$$

## Line shapes

$X(3872)$  resonance in  $D^{*0} \bar{D}^0$

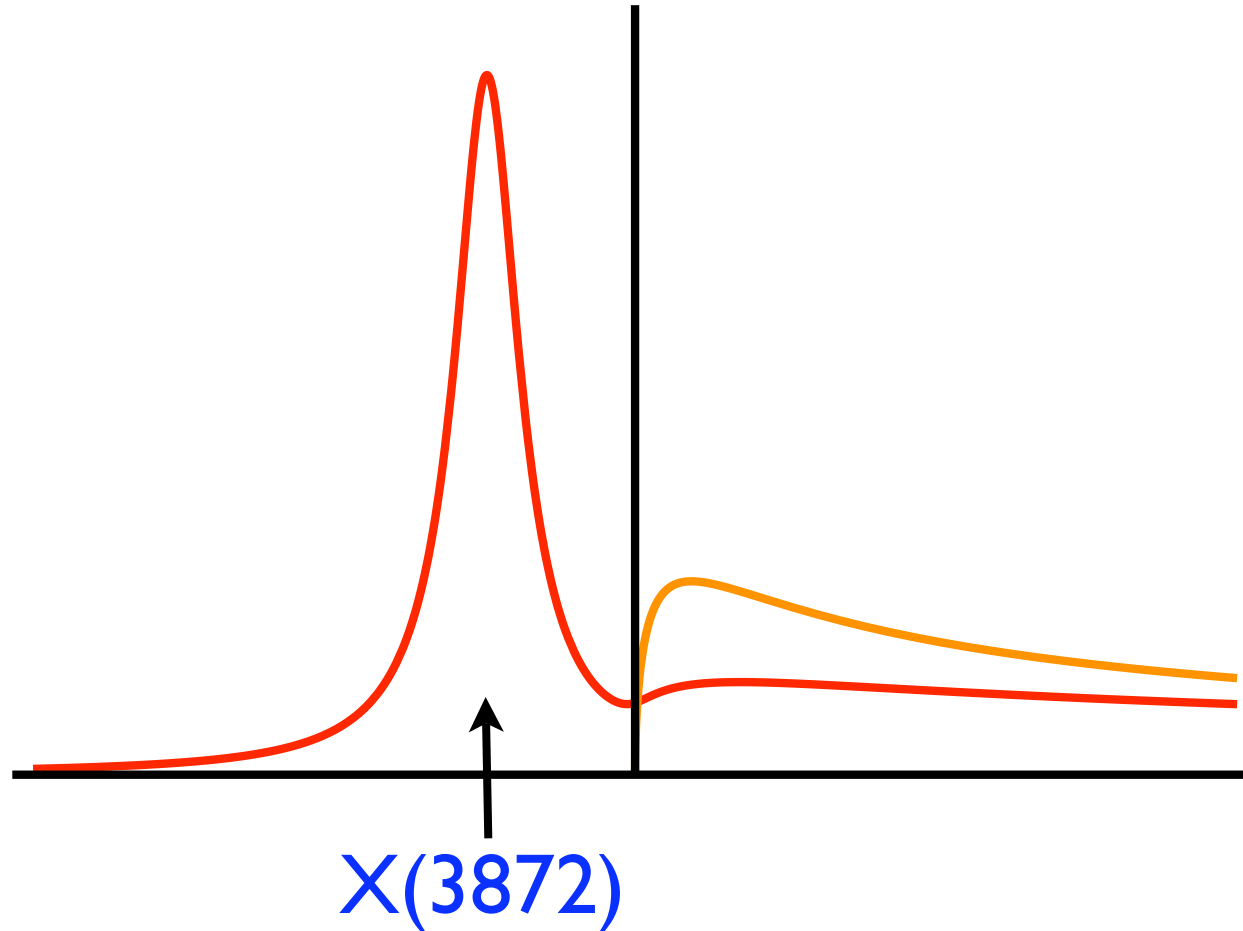
If  $D^0 \pi^0$  has invariant mass close enough to  $D^{*0}$  mass  
(within 6 MeV for Belle,  
within 10 MeV for Babar)

impose constraint that it comes from decay of  $D^{*0}$



# Line shapes

$D^0\bar{D}^0\pi^0$  versus  $D^{*0}\bar{D}^0$



**position** and **width** of peak in  $D^{*0}\bar{D}^0$   
are not **mass** and **width** of  $X(3872)$ !

# Analysis of recent data from Babar and Belle on $X(3872)$ resonance in $J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$ and $D^0 \bar{D}^0 \pi^0$

Braaten and Stapleton, arXiv:0907.3167

- signal: S-wave threshold resonance  
with parameters  $\gamma_{\text{re}}, \gamma_{\text{im}}$

- background:  $J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$  constant  
 $D^{*0} \bar{D}^0 \sim \sqrt{E}$

- experimental resolution: model by Gaussian smearing

$$J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^- \quad \sigma \sim \text{constant}$$

$$D^{*0} \bar{D}^0 \quad \sigma(E) \sim \sqrt{E}$$

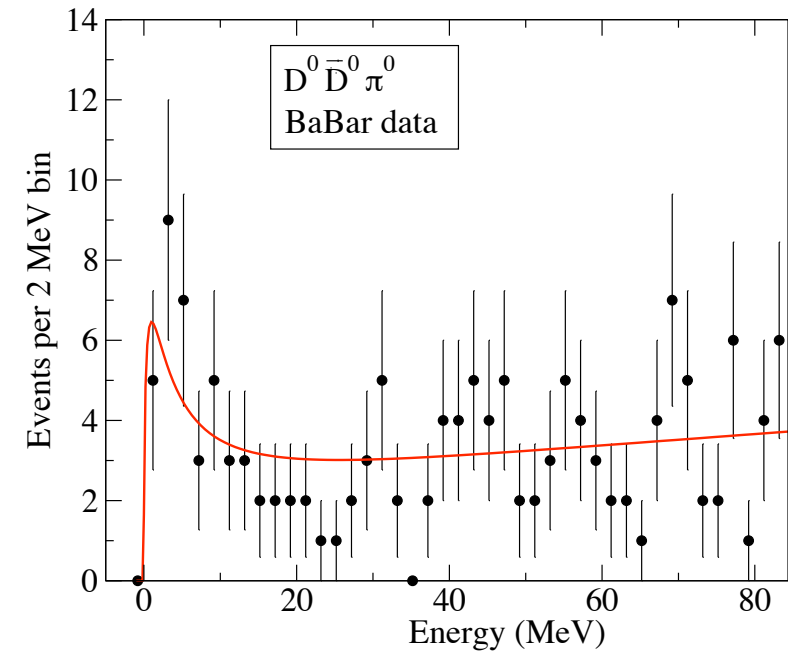
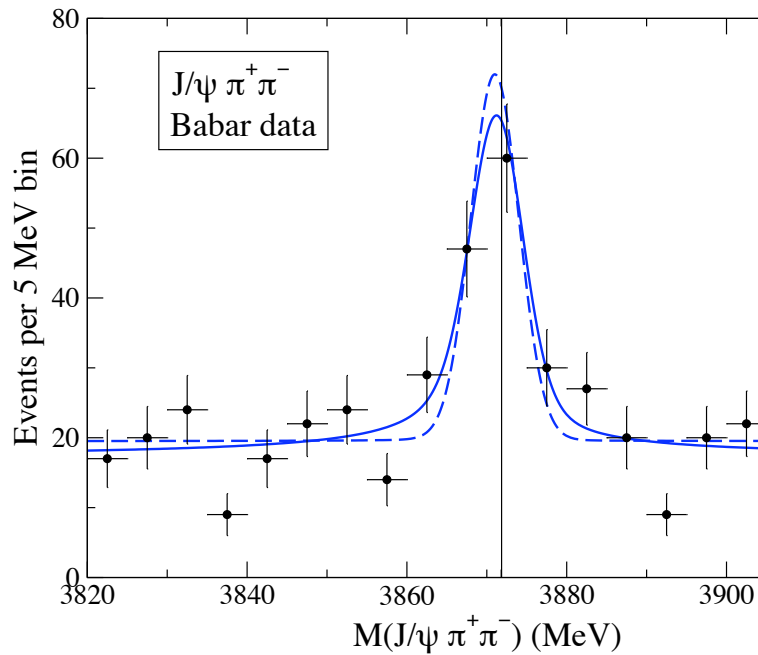
- maximize  $\text{Log}(\text{likelihood})$

# Analysis of recent data

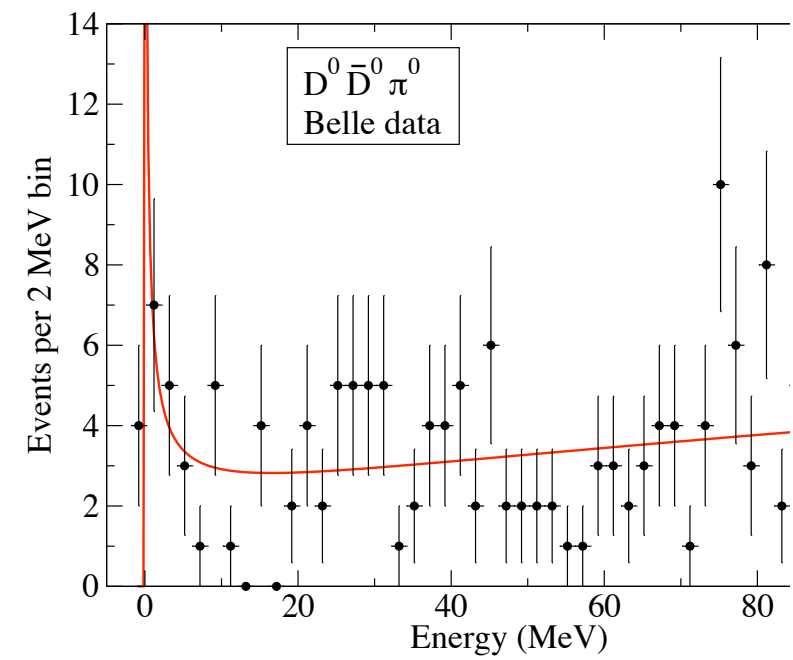
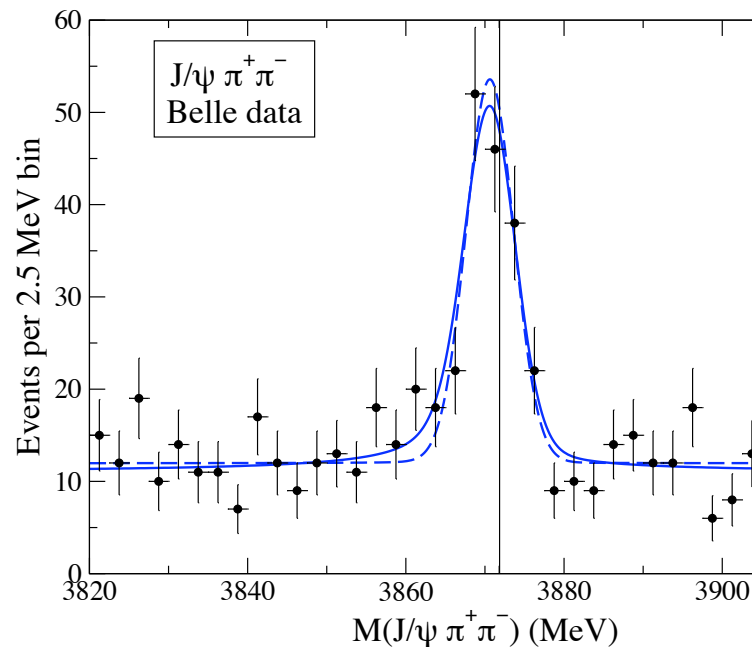
$J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$

$D^{*0} \bar{D}^0$

Babar data



Belle data



# Line shapes from fits to Belle data in $J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$

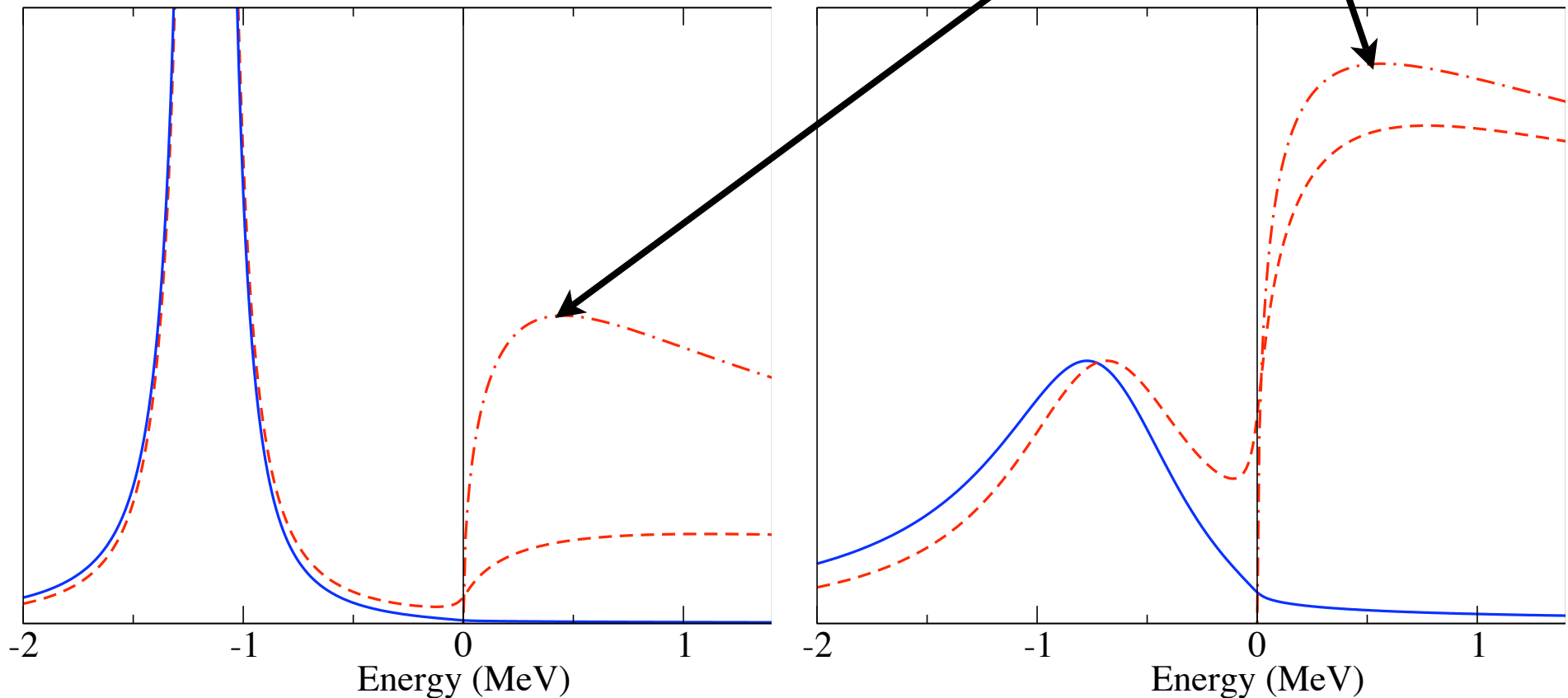
$J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$  versus  $D^0 \bar{D}^0 \pi^0$  versus  $D^{*0} \bar{D}^0$

$$\gamma_{\text{re}} = 47.5 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\gamma_{\text{im}} = 0$$

$$\gamma_{\text{re}} = 38.4 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\gamma_{\text{im}} = 12.0 \text{ MeV}$$



**position** and **width** of peak in  $D^{*0} \bar{D}^0$   
are not **mass** and **width** of  $X(3872)$ !



# Summary

- PDG averages for **mass** and **width** of  $X(3872)$  are wrong!
- **position** and **width** of peak in  $D^0\bar{D}^0\pi^0$  or  $D^{*0}\bar{D}^0$  should NOT be interpreted as **mass** and **width** of  $X(3872)$
- among existing measurements, only  $J/\psi \pi^+\pi^-$  should be included in PDG averages
- instead of analyzing  $D^0\bar{D}^0\pi^0$  channel as  $D^{*0}\bar{D}^0$ , it would be preferable to analyze it as  $D^0\bar{D}^0\pi^0$  (like 2006 Belle analysis)



The Truth is Out There