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BNV/LNV Searches in Charmonium Decays at BESIII

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01 Introduction: BEPCII/BESIII experiment

Linac: *The injector, a 202M long electron position linear accelerator that can accelerate the electrons and positrons to 1.3 GeV.*

BESIII: *Beijing Spectrometer III, the main detector for BEPC II.*



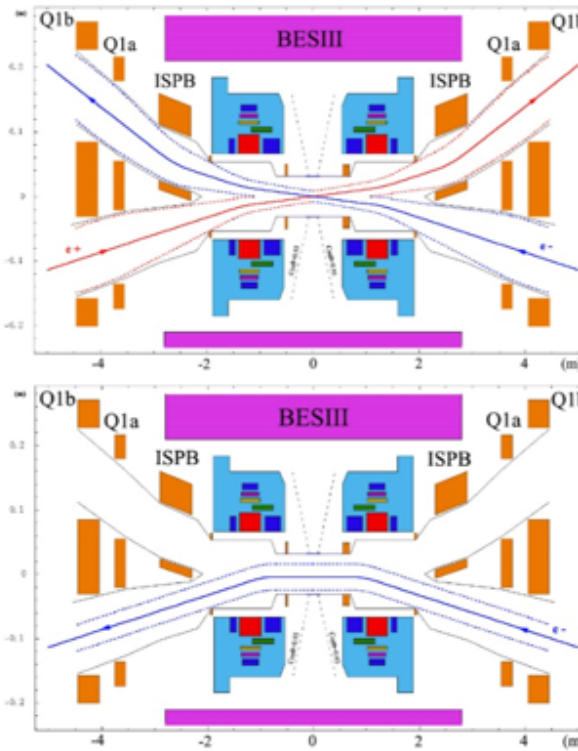
The storage ring: *A sports track shaped accelerator with a circumference of 237.5M.*

01 Introduction: BEPCII Collider

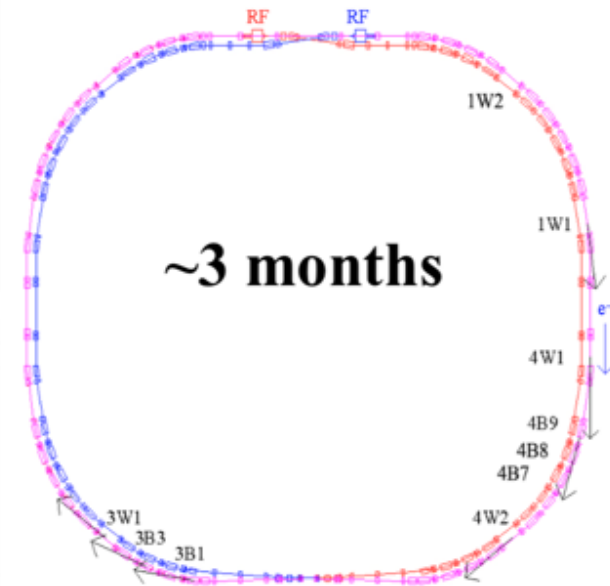
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Collider

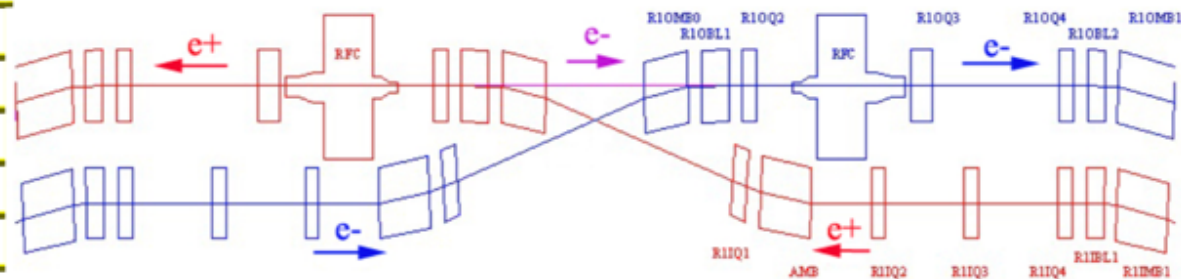


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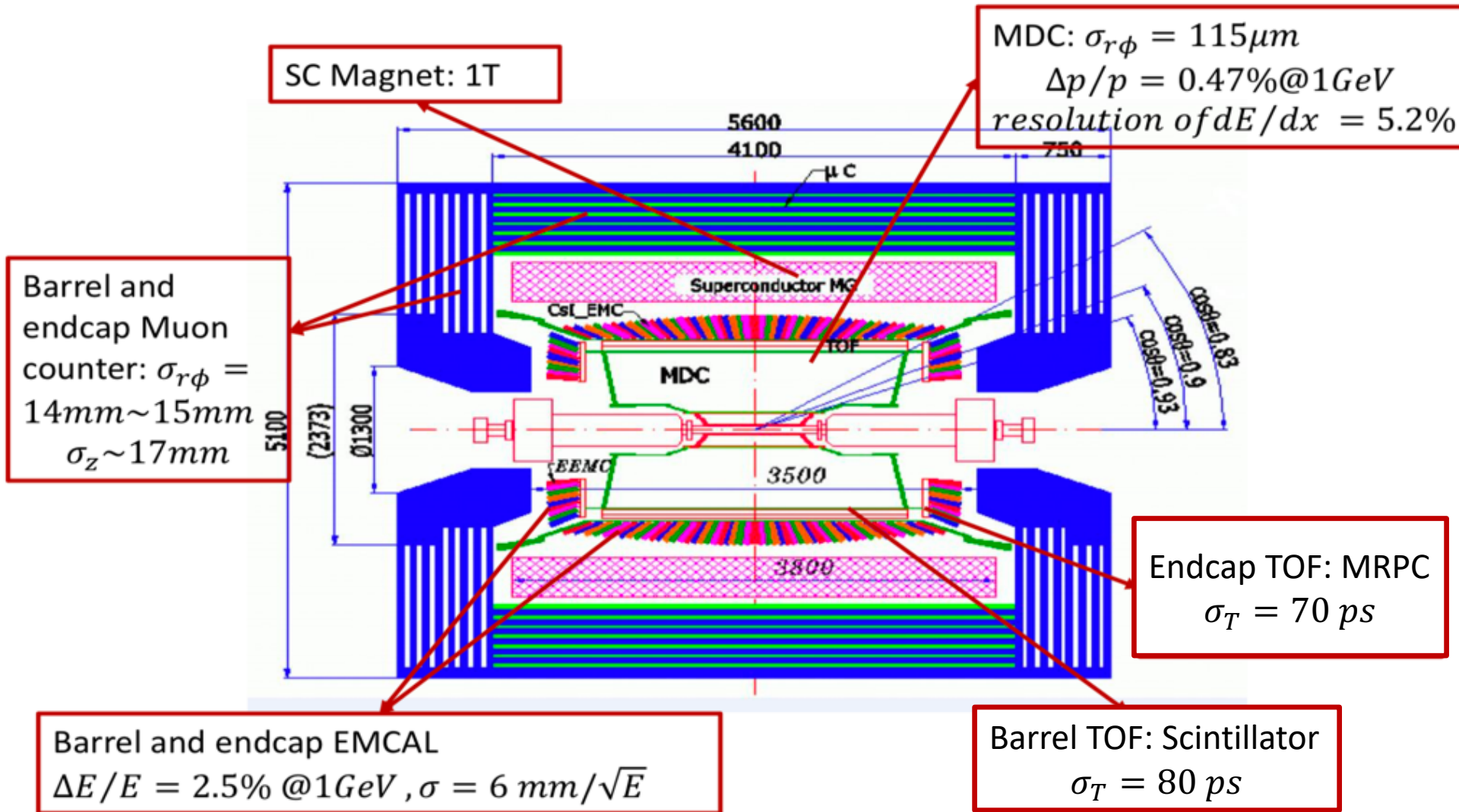


SR Facility

January 2004	Construction started
Mar.28, 2008	Installation of detector started
Jun. 22, 2008	BEPCII Commissioning started
May 13, 2009	Luminosity reached $3.3 \times 10^{32} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$
Apr. 5, 2016	Luminosity reached $1.0 \times 10^{33} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$



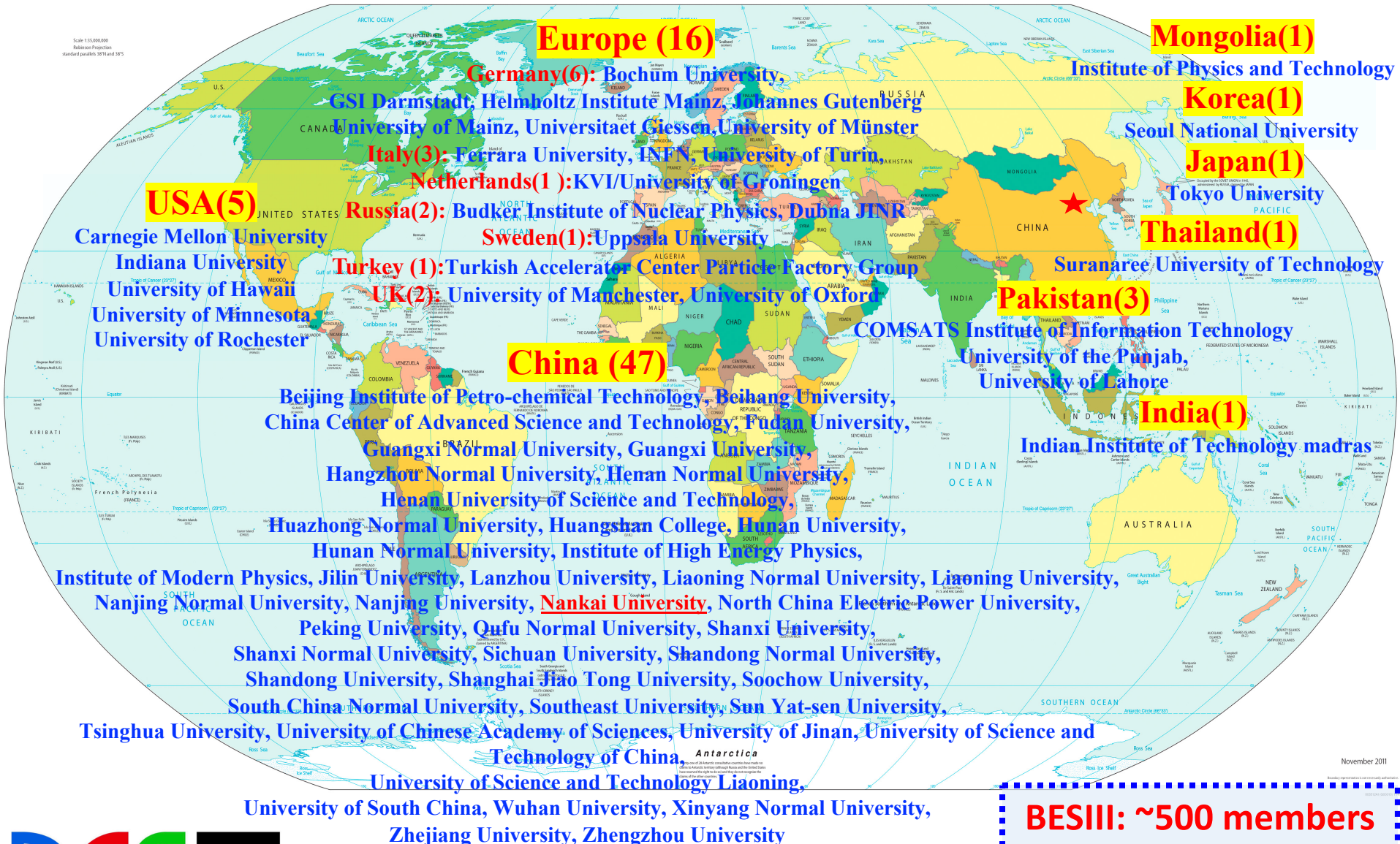
01 Introduction: BESIII Detector



- General purpose detector at BEPCII, $E_{\text{cm}} \approx 2\text{-}4.6\text{ GeV}$, $L_{\text{peak}} \approx 10^{33}/\text{cm}^2/\text{s}$
- Versatile researches in τ -charm physics

01 Introduction: BESIII Collaboration

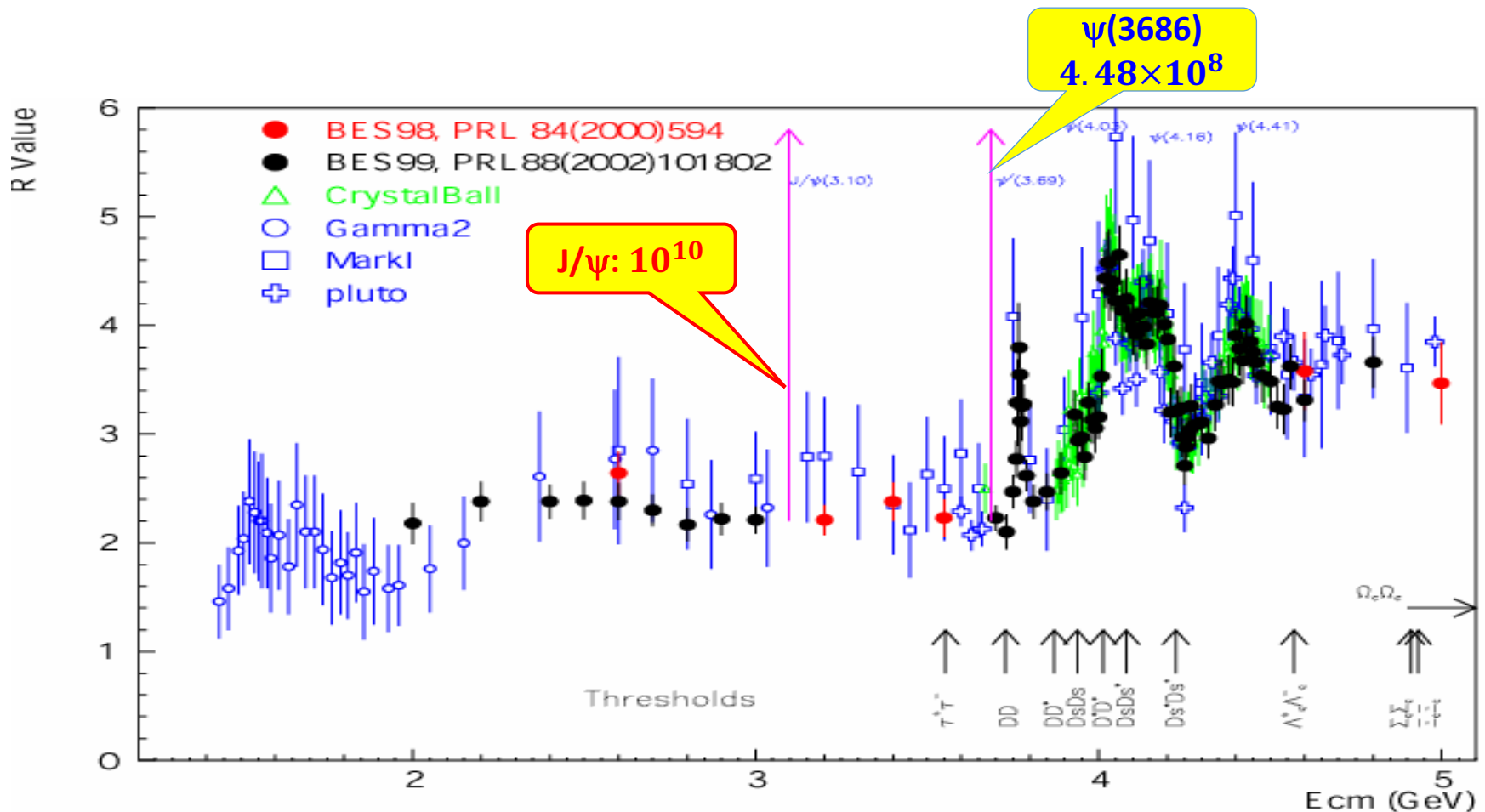
Fuente: <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/cia-maps-publications>
Adaptación por: Colomer



BESIII: ~500 members
76 institutes
15 countries.

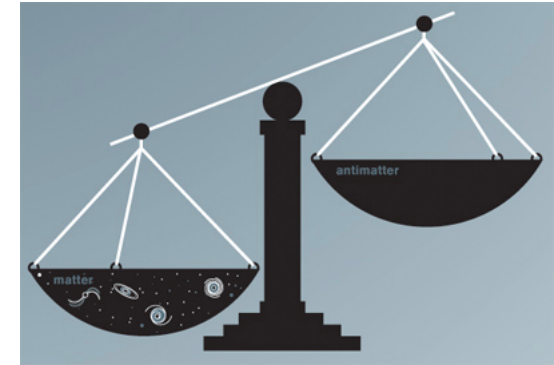
01 Introduction: Data Samples

World largest charmonium data sets directly produced from e^+e^- collision on J/ψ and $\psi(3686)$ resonance, large data sets taken at center-of-mass energies 3.773 , 4.008, 4.18 GeV



02 Search for $J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ e^-$: Why BNV?

- Asymmetry of matter and anti-matter: big problem in the universe evolution.
- C and CP violation: precisely tested by theory and experiments in decades, however not enough to address the asymmetry of matter and anti-matter in the universe.
- BNV: even a small amount would have major consequences on the universe and its evolution, as many theories have suggested.
- Many theoretical models where BNV is allowed. For example, in the Grand Unified Theory, proton can decay into several modes through leptoquarks, such as $p \rightarrow e^+ \pi^0$. Such mechanism simultaneously breaks BN and LN while conserving $\Delta(B - L)$.



Sakharov:
em...BNV?



02 Search for $J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ e^-$: Why Collider Experiment?

- Searches for physics beyond the SM with collider experiments are **complementary** to searches with specifically designed precision detection experiments.
- For example, dark sector searching at **collider experiments** VS **dedicated direct detection experiments**; Majorana neutrinos searching at **flavor factory and high energy frontier** VS **the neutrino-less double beta decay experiments**.
- The two independent ways of searching for new physics are fruitfully supporting each other.

02 Search for $J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ e^-$: Current Status

BNV @ baryons: **many!**

BNV @ quarkonium: **none!**

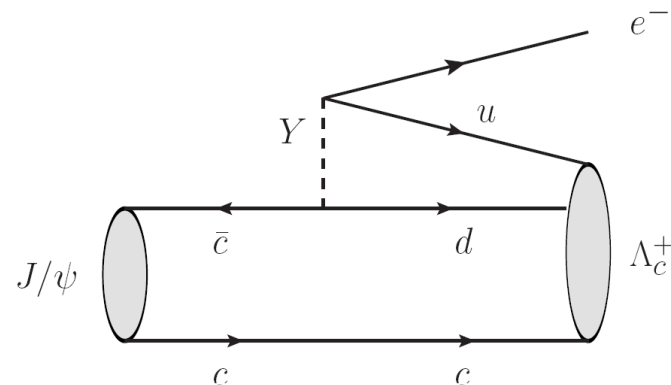
Decay Mode	$B_{90\%} (\times 10^{-8})$	Experiment	Year
$D^0 \rightarrow p e^-$	1000	CLEO-c [PRD79, 097101]	2009
$D^0 \rightarrow \bar{p} e^+$	1100		
$B^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \mu^- (e^-)$	180 (520)	BABAR [PRD83, 091101(R)]	2011
$B^- \rightarrow \Lambda \mu^- (e^-)$	6.2 (8.1)		
$B^- \rightarrow \bar{\Lambda} \mu^- (e^-)$	6.1 (3.2)		
$\Lambda \rightarrow K^+ e^- (\mu^-)$	200 (300)	CLAS [PRD92, 072002]	2015
$\Lambda \rightarrow K^- e^+ (\mu^+)$	200 (300)		
$\Lambda \rightarrow \pi^+ e^- (\mu^-)$	60 (60)		
$\Lambda \rightarrow \pi^- e^+ (\mu^+)$	40 (60)		
$\Lambda \rightarrow \bar{p} \pi^+$	90		
$\Lambda \rightarrow K_S^0 \nu$	2000		
$D^+ \rightarrow \Lambda(\Sigma^0) e^+$	110 (170)	BESIII [PRD101, 031102(R)] (refer to Bo Zheng's Talk: [id=68] Radiative and Rare Charm Decays at BESIII)	2020
$D^+ \rightarrow \bar{\Lambda}(\bar{\Sigma}^0) e^+$	65 (130)		

02 Search for $J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ e^-$: Result

- 1.3 billion J/ψ
- First search of $J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ e^-$
- Check $M_{pK\pi}$ distribution, no signal events in the signal region
- Total systematic uncertainty ($\sim 7\%$)
- Upper limits on BF (90% CL)

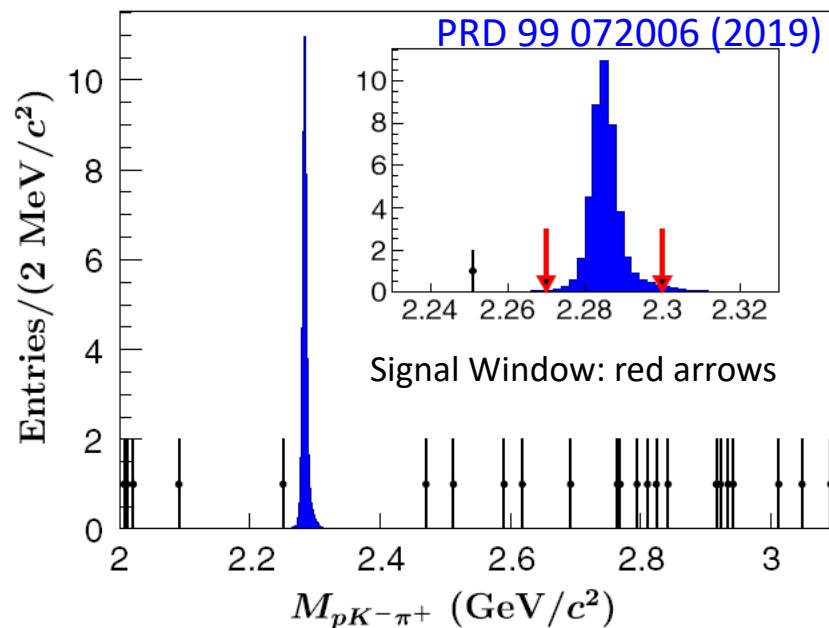
$$B(J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ e^-) < 6.9 \times 10^{-8}$$

- The first BNV searching in charmonium decay



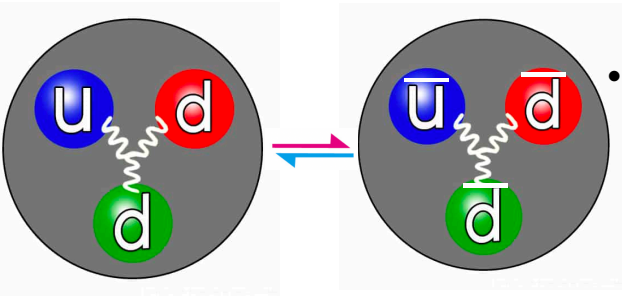
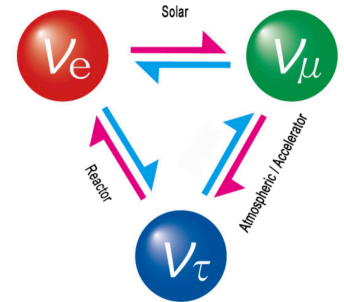
Data: dot with error bar

MC: blue filled histogram (normalized arbitrarily)

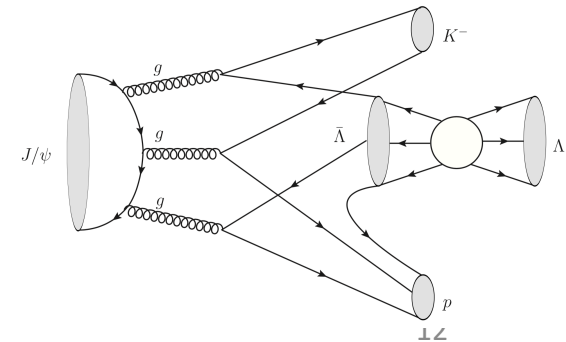
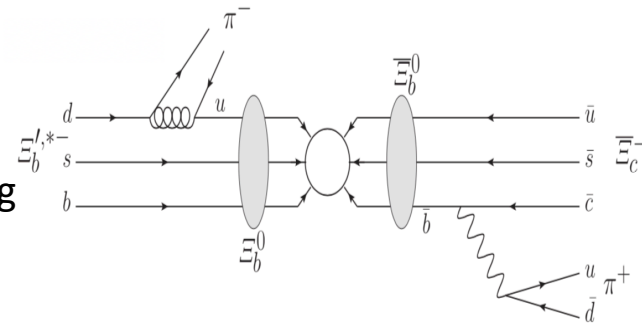


03 Search for $\Lambda - \bar{\Lambda}$ Oscillation

- The discoveries of neutrino oscillations have made $N - \bar{N}$ oscillation to be quite plausible theoretically [\[PRL96, 061801\(2006\)\]](#), if small neutrino masses are to be understood as a consequence of the seesaw mechanism, which indicates the existence of $\Delta(B - L) = 2$ interactions.



- Since 1980 [\[PRL44,1316\]](#), there have been many experiments searching for BNV through $n - \bar{n}$ oscillation [\[PDG2019\]](#) with upper limit results, while few results from other baryons.
- 2007, K.-B. Luk pointed out that $\Lambda - \bar{\Lambda}$ oscillation may also exist.
- 2010, X.-W. Kang and H.-B. Li [\[PRD81,051901\]](#) give a prospect of searching for $\Lambda - \bar{\Lambda}$ oscillation at the BESIII experiment.
- 2017, the LHCb experiment presented a constraint on $\Xi_b^0 - \bar{\Xi}_b^0$ oscillation.
- The theoretical advantage for using $\Lambda - \bar{\Lambda}$ is it has a second generation quark, which can give further information compared with the result of proton decay which only have the first generation quark.
- A six-fermion operator, which could arise in models with leptoquarks or R-parity violating supersymmetric extensions of the SM, could allow BNV while being consistent with the experimental limit on the proton lifetime [\[PLB721, 82\(2013\)\]](#).



03 Search for $\Lambda - \bar{\Lambda}$ Oscillation

- Starting with a beam of free $\bar{\Lambda}$, the probability of generating a Λ after time t can be described by

$$\mathcal{P}(\Lambda, t) = \sin^2(\delta m_{\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}} \cdot t)$$

where $\delta m_{\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}}$ is the oscillation parameter and t is the decay time.

- Since there is no vertex detector at the BESIII, we can only measure the time integrated result

$$\mathcal{P}(\Lambda) = \frac{\int_0^\infty \sin^2(\delta m_{\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}} \cdot t) \cdot e^{-t/\tau_\Lambda} \cdot dt}{\int_0^\infty e^{-t/\tau_\Lambda} \cdot dt}$$

where $\mathcal{P}(\Lambda)$ is the time integrated oscillation rate of $\bar{\Lambda} \rightarrow \Lambda$, $\tau_\Lambda = (2.632 \pm 0.020) \times 10^{-10}$ (s) is the life time of Λ baryon.

- Therefore, the oscillation parameter can be deduced as

$$(\delta m_{\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}})^2 = \frac{\mathcal{P}(\Lambda)}{2 \cdot (\tau_\Lambda/\hbar)^2}$$

03 Search for $\Lambda - \bar{\Lambda}$ Oscillation

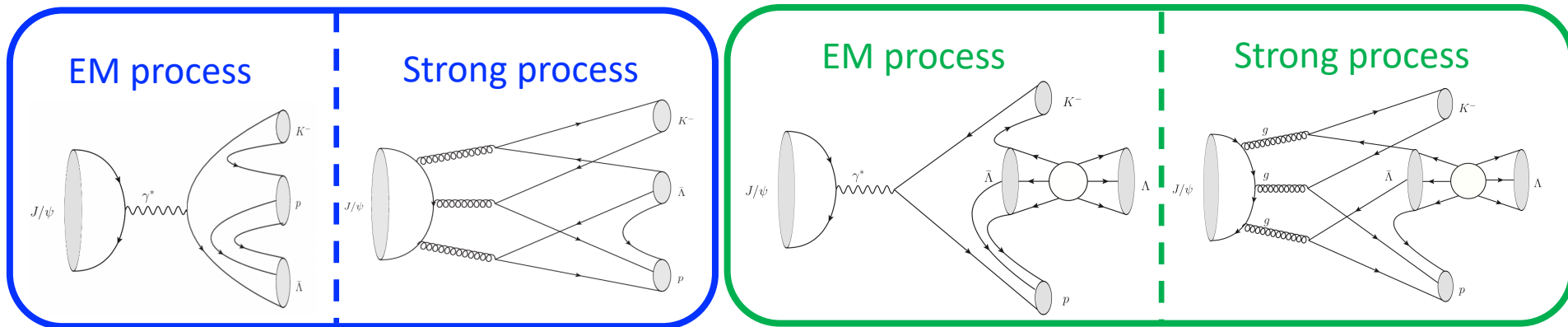
- Oscillation event (charge conjugation implied)

$$J/\psi \rightarrow pK^- \bar{\Lambda} \xrightarrow{\text{oscillating}} pK^- \Lambda$$

- Time integrated oscillation rate

$$\mathcal{P}(\Lambda) = \frac{\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow pK^- \Lambda \rightarrow pK^- p\pi^-)}{\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow pK^- \bar{\Lambda} \rightarrow pK^- \bar{p}\pi^+)} = \frac{N_{\text{WS}}^{\text{obs}} / \epsilon_{\text{WS}}}{N_{\text{RS}}^{\text{obs}} / \epsilon_{\text{RS}}}$$

- Most of the systematic uncertainties cancelled.



Right Sign Channel (Opposite Charge)

$$J/\psi \rightarrow pK^- \bar{\Lambda} \rightarrow pK^- (\bar{p}\pi^+)$$

Wrong Sign Channel (Same Charge)

$$J/\psi \rightarrow pK^- \Lambda \rightarrow pK^- (p\pi^-)$$

03 Search for $\Lambda - \bar{\Lambda}$ Oscillation

- Result based on 1.3 billion J/ψ events
- $J/\psi \rightarrow pK^- \bar{\Lambda} \xrightarrow{\text{oscillate}} pK^- \Lambda$
- Almost background free.
- Upper limit based on TROLKE (90% CL)

$$P(\Lambda) = \frac{B(J/\psi \rightarrow pK^- \Lambda)}{B(J/\psi \rightarrow pK^- \bar{\Lambda})} < 4.4 \times 10^{-6}$$

BESIII Preliminary

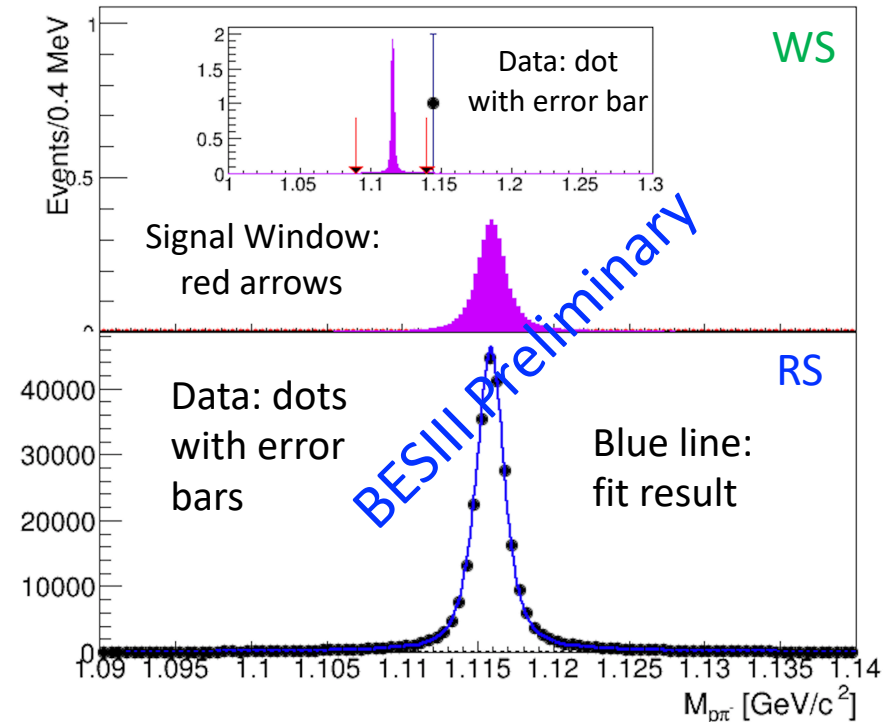
- Oscillation parameter (90% CL)

$$\delta m_{\Lambda \bar{\Lambda}} < 3.8 \times 10^{-15} \text{ MeV}$$

BESIII Preliminary

WS

MC: pink filled histogram (normalized arbitrarily)



RS

Signal shape: simulated MC shape \otimes a Gaussian function.

Background shape: inclusive MC sample after excluding RS events.

- With the world largest e^+e^- annihilation J/ψ data including more than **1.3 billion** J/ψ events, the BESIII collaboration presented the first constraints on $J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ e^-$ and $\Lambda - \bar{\Lambda}$ oscillation.
- Better results for more decay channels based on **10 billion** J/ψ events are coming soon.
- New data taking plan and more charmonium data sets at other CM energy have been approved! Better/more constraints on BNV/LNV processes can be expected.



Děkujeme!

谢谢!

THANKS

