

Study on the Two-Photon Transition from $\psi(2S)$ to J/ψ at BESIII

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Introduction I

Two-photon transition from $\psi(2S)$ to J/ψ :

On experimental side:

- delicate measurement
- analogous process to positronium and hydrogen two-photon transition
- CLEO reported $\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow \gamma\gamma \Upsilon(2S)$
- escaped from experimental measurement

On theoretical side:

- order α^2 QED transition between two hadrons
- similar process has been studied in heavy-light quark system
- improve understanding of heavy quarkonium characters such as spectrum, decay et al, and the strong interaction
- possibility of testing the hadron-loop effect

Introduction II

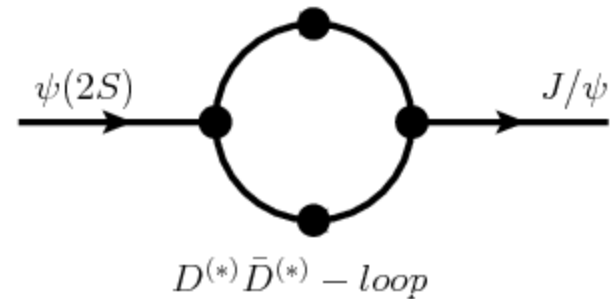
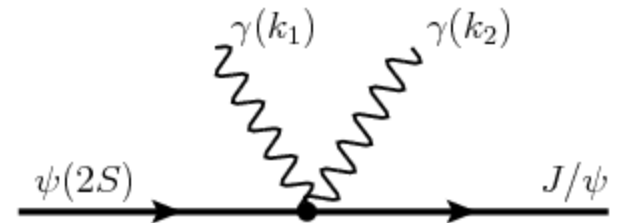
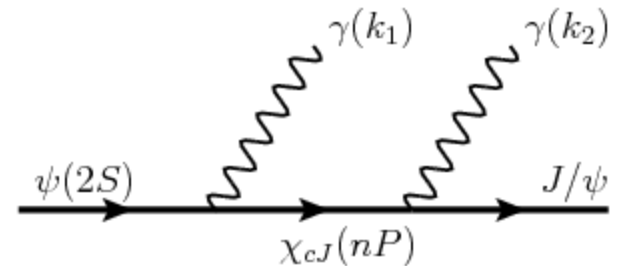
naive theoretical pictures :

Potential model :

- **discrete part:**
double E-1 transition via discrete χ_{cJ} (nP) (n=1,2) states (**virtual** and **real** parts).
(including main source of the background)
(well described χ_{cJ} states)
- **relativistic correction:**
relatively higher order v^2 operators
corrections

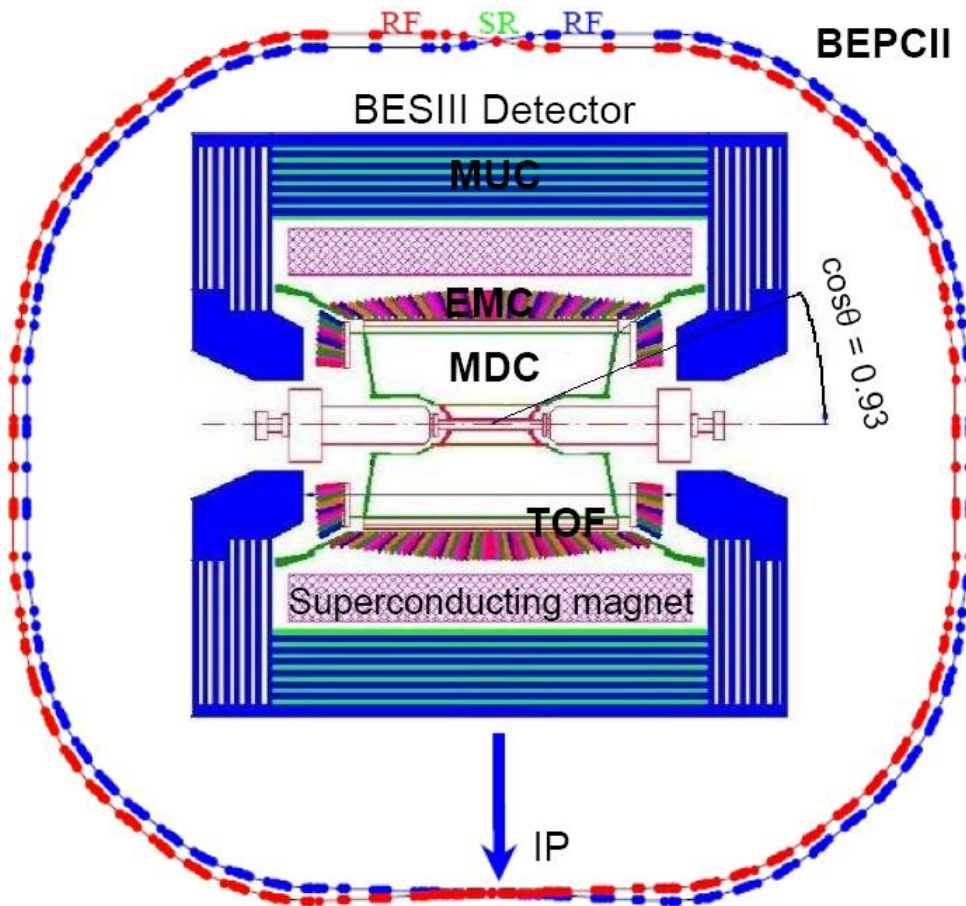
Potential model + couple channel:

- **besides discrete contribution, the hadron-loop effect also may play a important role.**



Theoretical study is on going. (Z.G. He et al)

BEPCII and BESIII



BEPCII:

- Beam energy: 1.0 ~ 2.3 GeV
- Luminosity: $1 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
- Optimum energy: 1.89 GeV

BESIII Spectrometer:

- MDC: $\sigma(p_T)/p_T = 0.5\%$ @ 1GeV
 $dE/dx_{\text{reso}} < 6\%$
- TOF: 80 ps (for bhabha, barrel)
- EMC: $\sigma(E)/E = 2.3\% \times \sqrt{E}$

July 20, 2008: first e^+e^- collision event in BESIII

April 14, 2009: took ~100M $\psi(2S)$ events (~40 days)

May 29, 2009: took ~41 pb^{-1} continuum data @3.65GeV

more in F. A. Harris's plenary talk

Dataset and Selection Criteria

Dataset:

- ⊕ $\sim 160 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ data taken @ 3.686 GeV in 2009, which was estimated to contain 106 ± 4 million $\psi(2S)$ decays
- ⊕ 41 pb^{-1} continuum data @ 3.65 GeV in 2009

Data Selection:

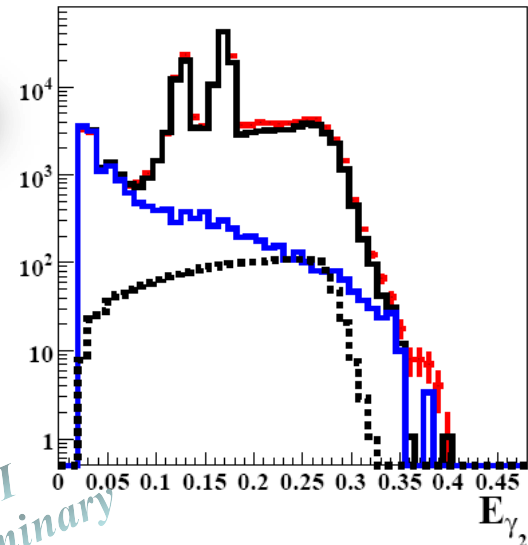
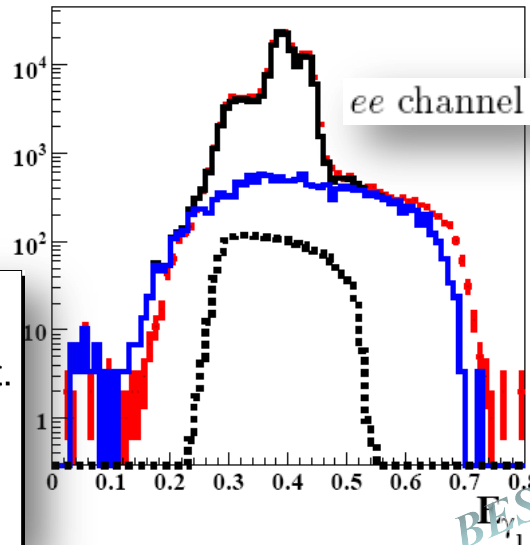
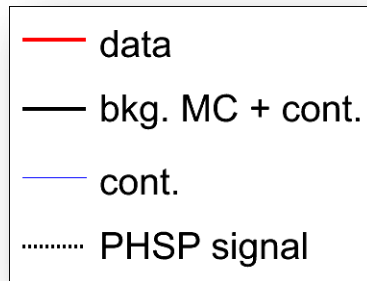
$$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma\gamma J / \psi, J / \psi \rightarrow ee(\mu\mu)$$

- At most 3 good photon candidates
 - EMC energy threshold: $E > 0.025 \text{ GeV}$ (barrel), $E > 0.050 \text{ GeV}$ (Endcap)
 - EMC TDC time window (0, 14) ■ energy less than 0.9 GeV
 - nearest angle to charged tracks: $d_{\text{angle}} > 10^\circ$
- Only one good-lepton-pair candidate
 - closest approach to interaction point:
less than 1 cm in x-y plane and less than 10 cm in z-axis
 - energy deposit in EMC: $E_{\text{deposit}}/P < 0.6$ (muon), $E_{\text{deposit}}/P > 0.7$ (electron)
 - lepton momentum: $0.8 \text{ GeV}/c < P < 2.0 \text{ GeV}/c$
- Only the $\gamma\gamma ll$ combination with least χ^2 of 4-momentum-constrain kinematic fit will be kept: $\chi^2 < 60$

Photons

definition:

- γ_1 higher energy photon
- γ_2 lower energy photon



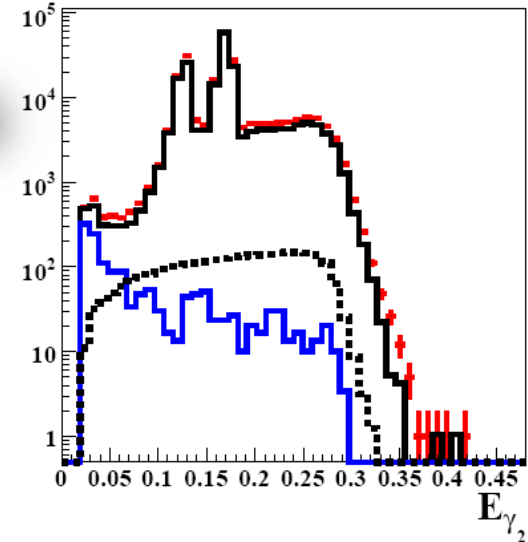
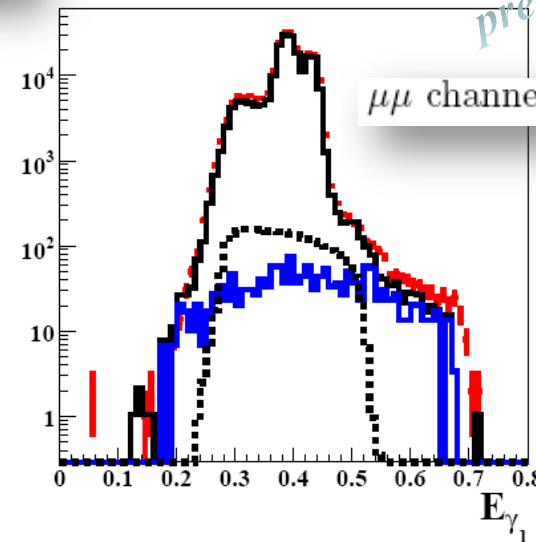
PHSP signal: plotted with the assumption of

$$Br(\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma\gamma J/\psi) = 1 \times 10^{-3}$$

further photon selections:

$$0.2 < E_{\gamma_1} < 0.54 \text{ GeV}$$

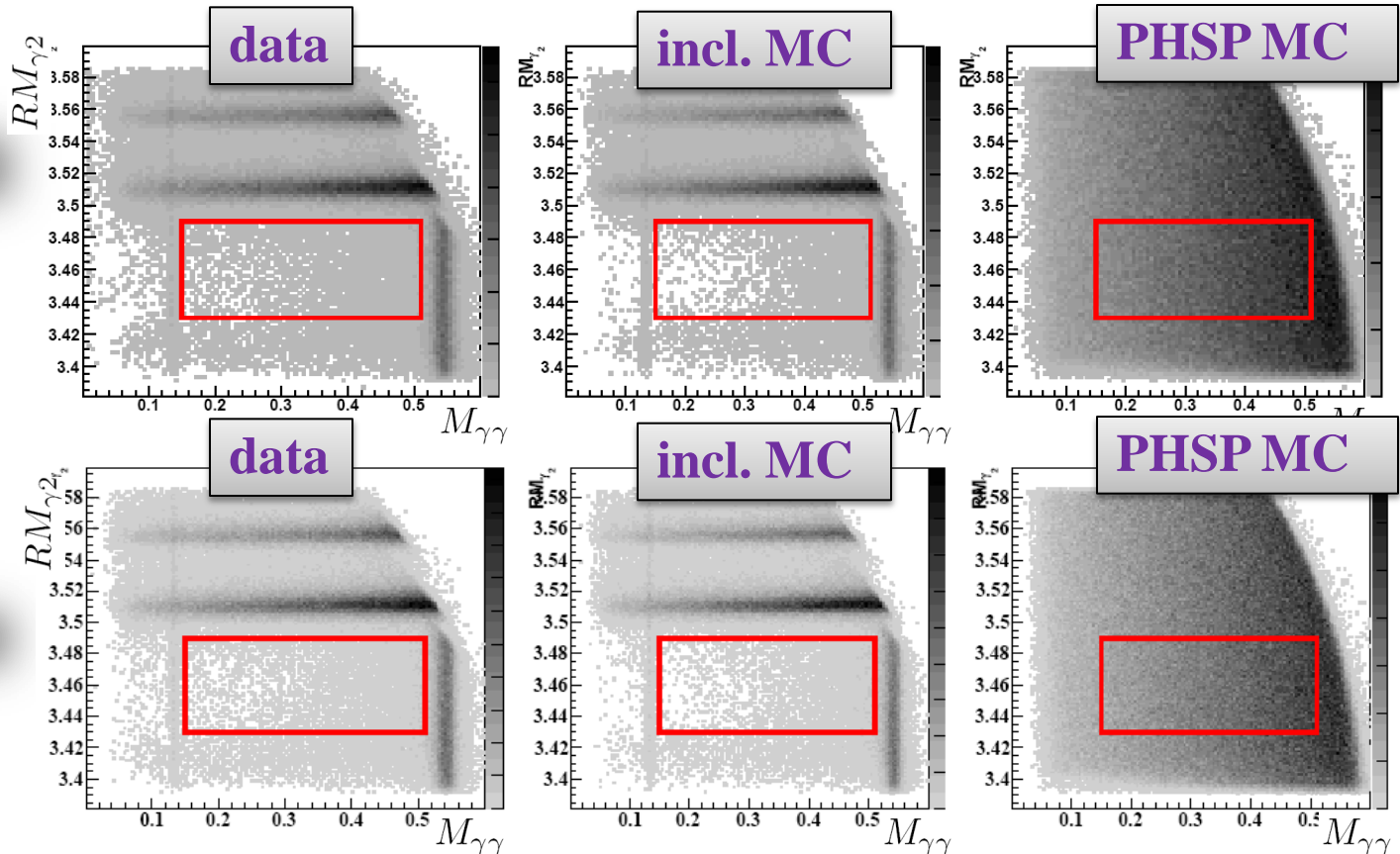
$$0.1 < E_{\gamma_2} < 0.28 \text{ GeV}$$



Scattering Plot: $M_{\gamma\gamma}$ VS $RM_{\gamma 2}$

$RM_{\gamma 2}$: Recoil Mass of lower energy photon γ_2

ee channel



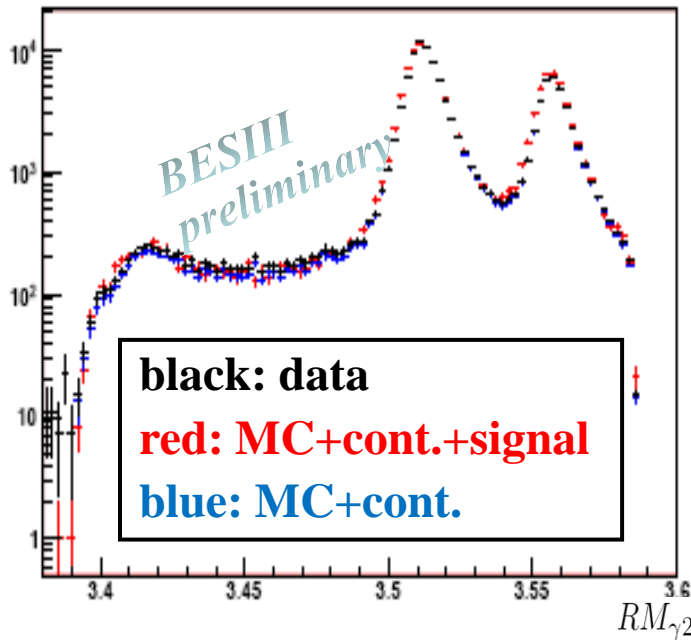
$\mu\mu$ channel

box cut:

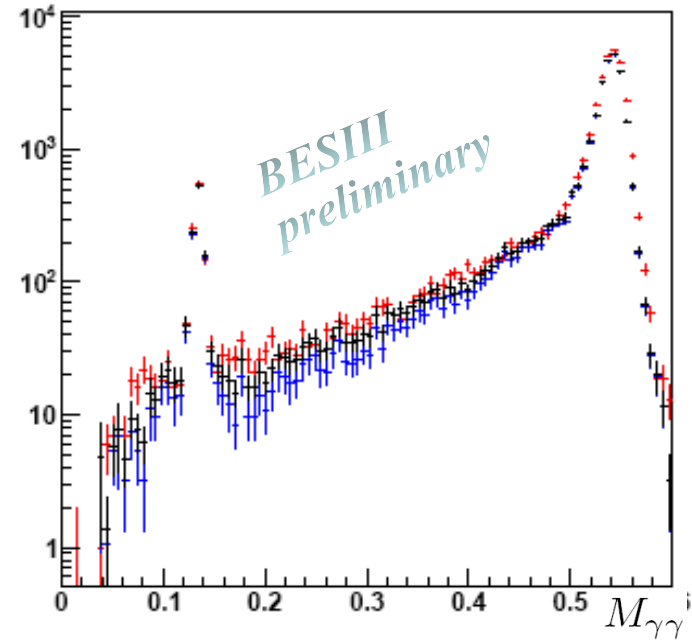
$$0.15 < M_{\gamma\gamma} < 0.51 \text{ GeV}$$
$$3.43 < RM_{\gamma 2} < 3.49 \text{ GeV}$$

Projection Plots on $M_{\gamma\gamma}$ and $RM_{\gamma 2}$

loose $RM_{\gamma 2}$ border cut

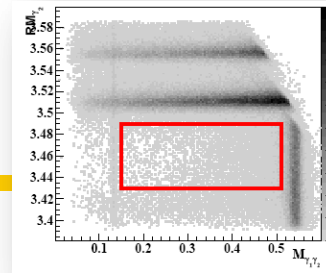


loose $M_{\gamma\gamma}$ border cut

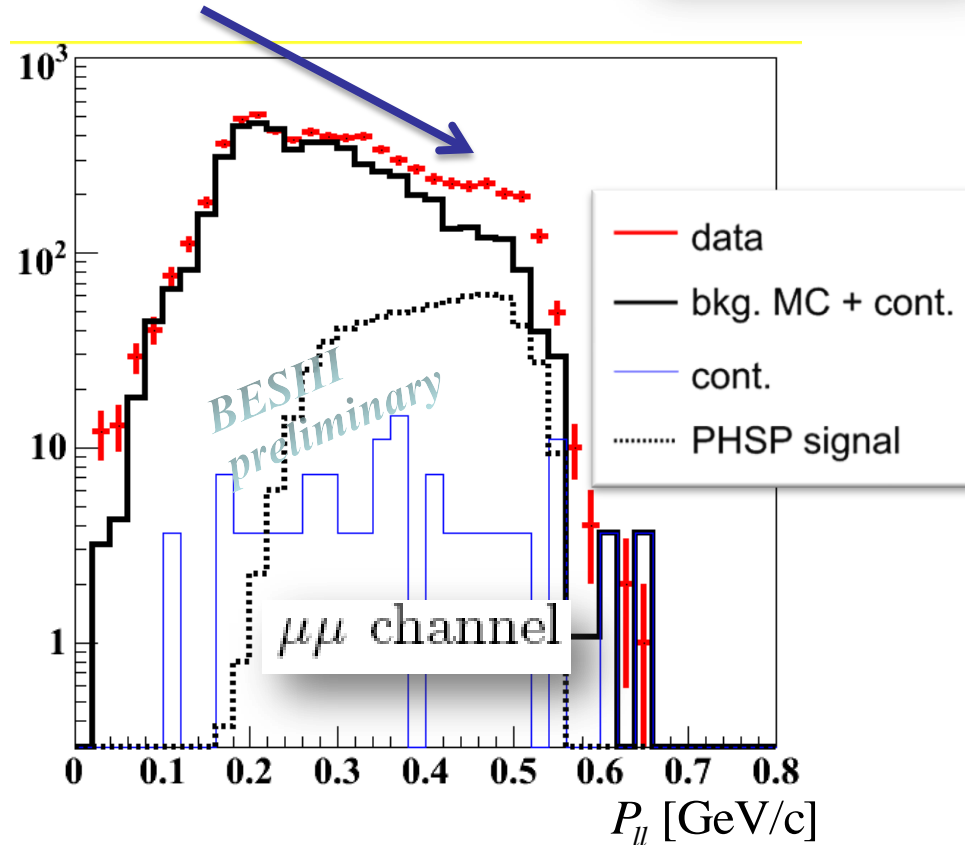
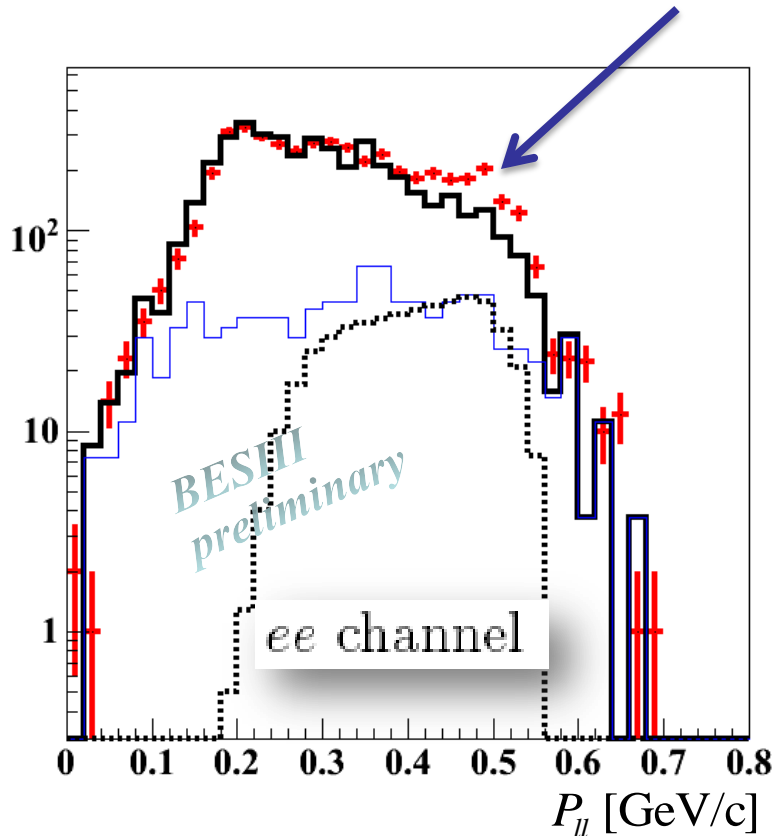


- consistent data/MC line-shapes
- good MC description of the tails of $\chi_{CJ}/\pi^0/\eta$

J/ ψ Momentum inside Box

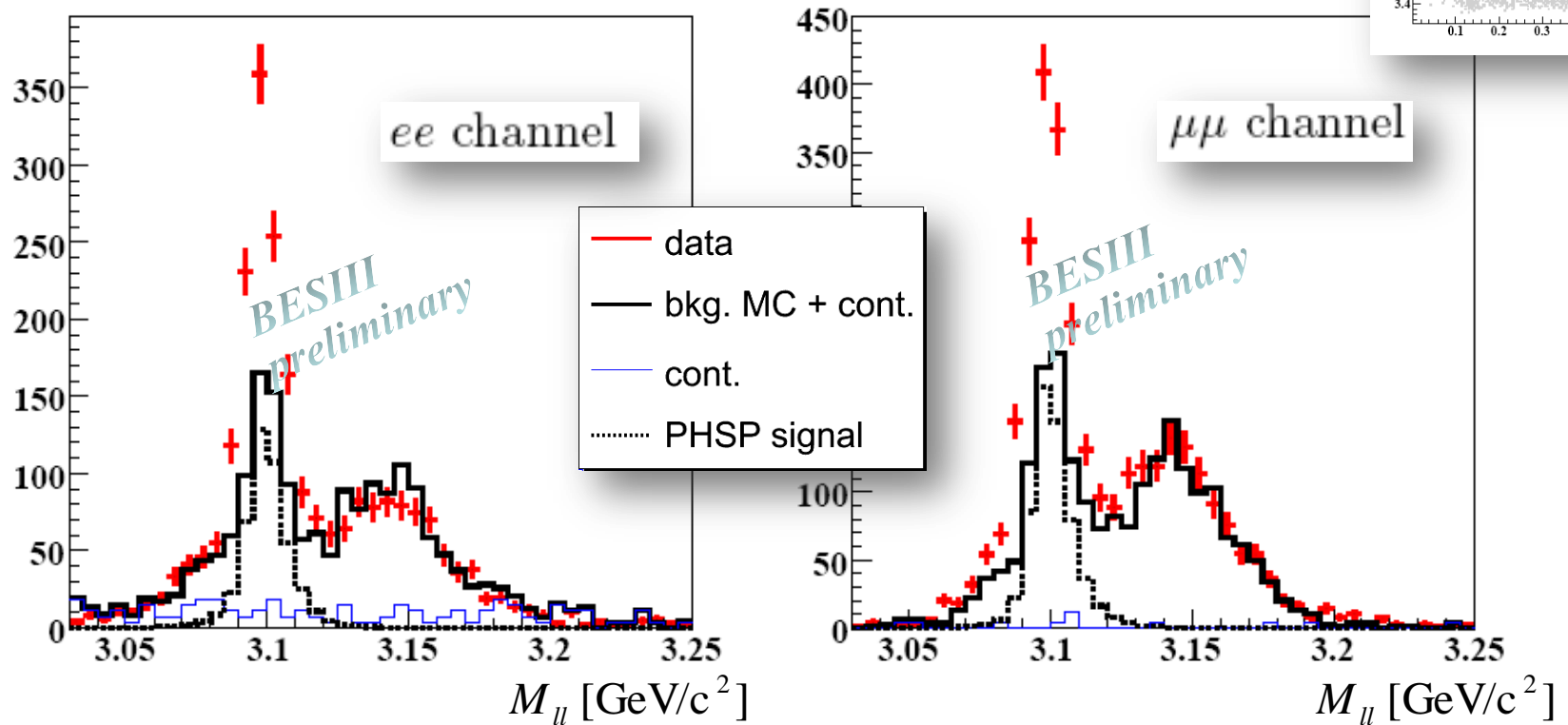


clear enhancement from understood bkg.



further cut: $0.30 \text{ GeV/c} < P_{ll} < 0.55 \text{ GeV/c}$

Dilepton Invariant Mass



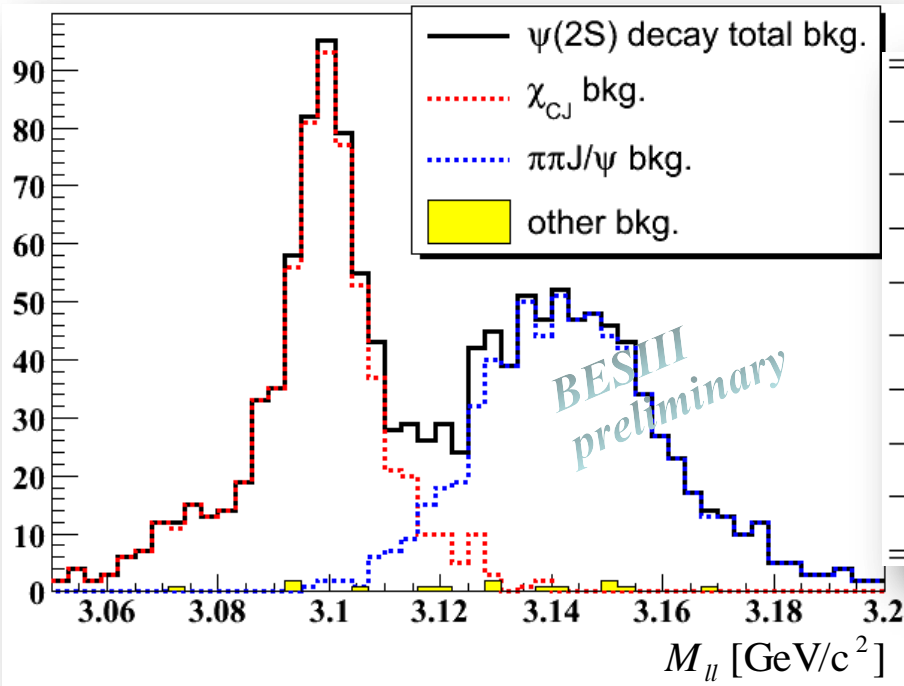
understood backgrounds:

- QCD background from $\psi(2S)$ decay
- QED background from continuum data

significant enhancement
around J/ψ peak

Background Components

estimated with MC Simulation and continuum data



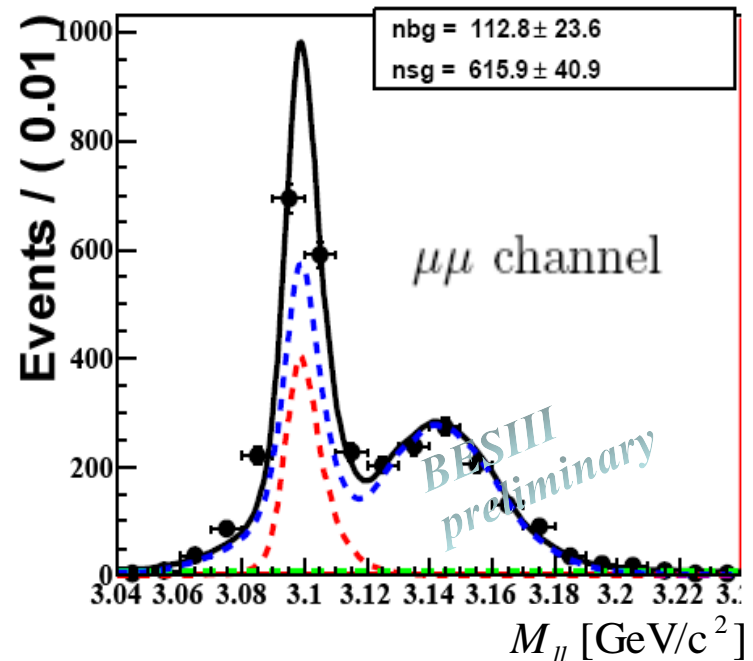
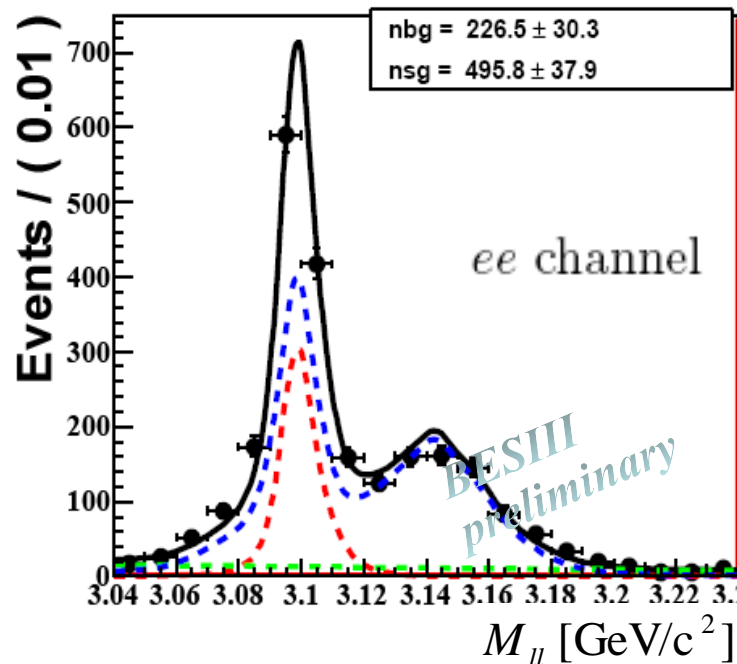
bkg. channels	ee chnl (ex.)	$\mu\mu$ chnl (ex.)
$\gamma(\gamma J/\psi)\chi_{c0}$	263.1 ± 3.2	367.2 ± 3.7
$\gamma(\gamma J/\psi)\chi_{c1}$	517.6 ± 5.1	659.1 ± 5.7
$\gamma(\gamma J/\psi)\chi_{c2}$	86.9 ± 2.1	116.1 ± 2.5
$(\gamma\gamma)\pi^0 J/\psi$	0.5 ± 0.2	< 0.1
$(\gamma\gamma)\eta J/\psi$	0.6 ± 0.2	1.3 ± 0.3
$(\gamma\gamma)\pi^0(\gamma\gamma)\pi^0 J/\psi$	755.2 ± 6.3	1179.8 ± 7.8
$(\gamma\gamma)\pi^0(ee\gamma)\pi^0 J/\psi$	8.9 ± 0.7	12.9 ± 0.8
continuum@3.65 GeV	375.4	36.8

- ✓ relative branching fractions based on PDG
- ✓ take $\psi(2S)$ decay bkg. shape and magnitude as the main background description

Signal Estimation

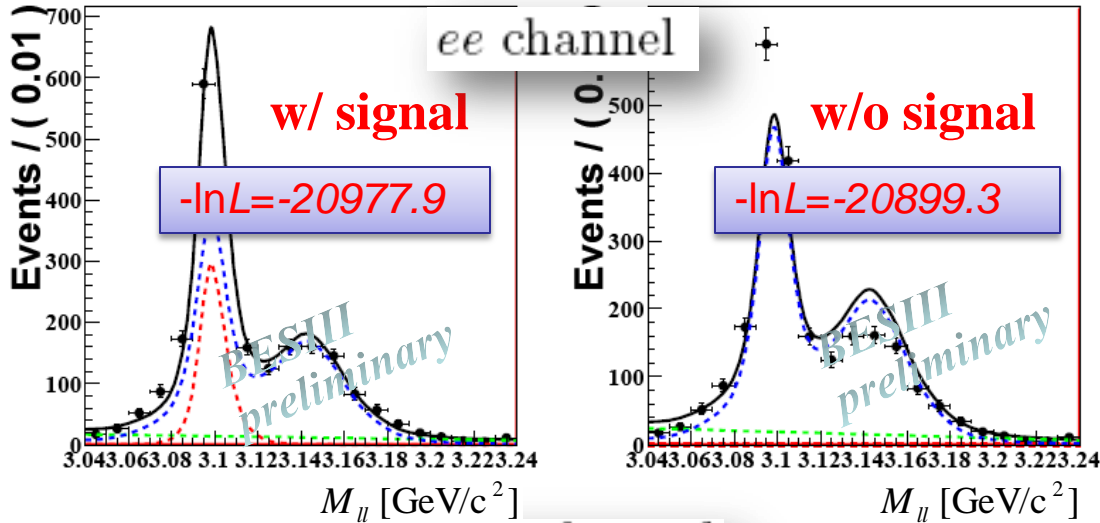
unbinned maximum likelihood fit with composition of three PDFs:

- **signal (red)**: shape from phase-space-like MC simulation
- **$\psi(2S)$ bkg.(blue)**: shape and magnitude from exclusive MC simulation
- **other bkg.(green)**: 1st-order polynomial

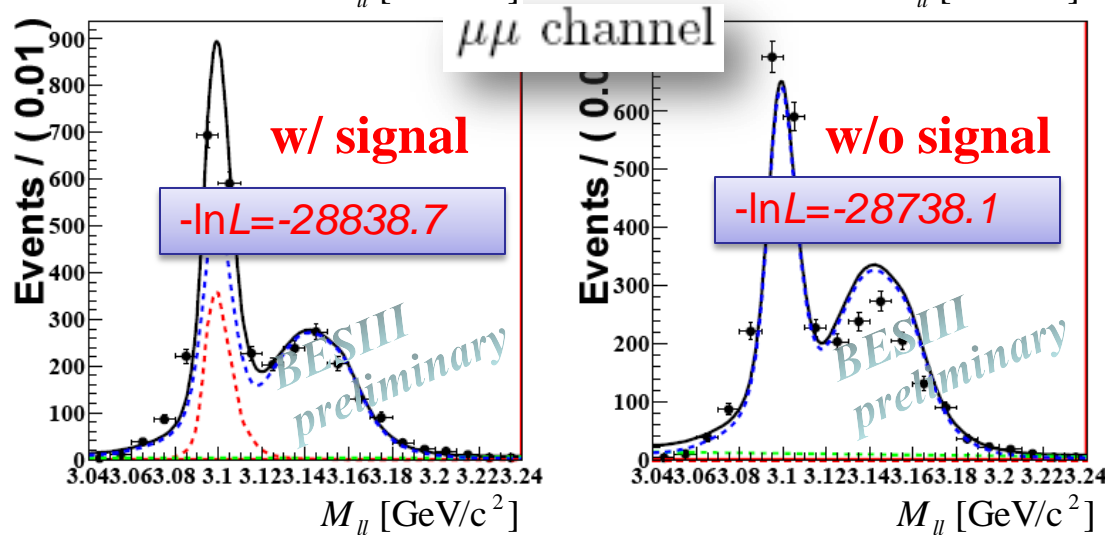


Significance Estimation

floating all fitting components



significance: **12.5 σ**



significance: **14.3 σ**

Preliminary Numerical Results and Systematic Uncertainties

	<i>ee</i> channel	<i>uu</i> channel
signals	495.8 ± 37.9	615.9 ± 40.9
efficiency	$(7.44 \pm 0.02)\%$	$(9.92 \pm 0.02)\%$
significance	12.5σ	14.3σ
$\text{BR}(\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma\gamma J/\psi)$	$(1.06 \pm 0.08) \times 10^{-3}$	$(0.99 \pm 0.07) \times 10^{-3}$

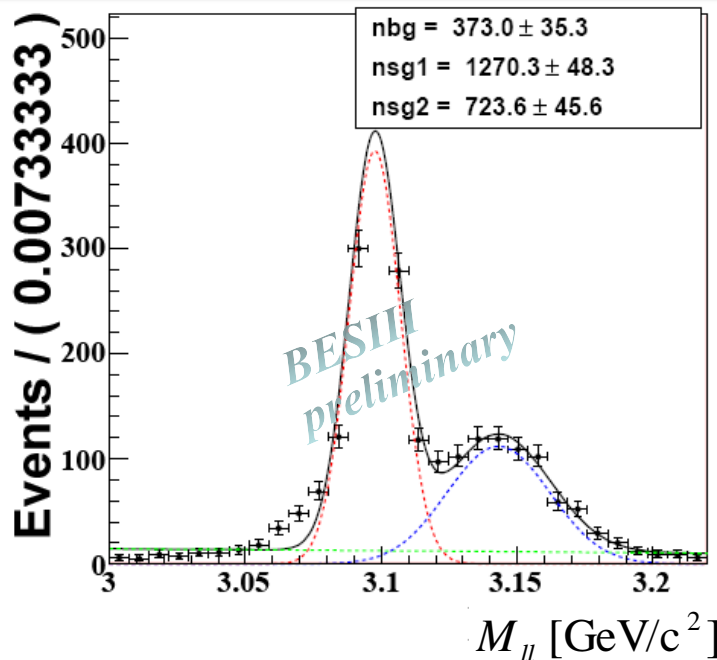
sources of systematic uncertainties

statistically consistent

- lepton tracking
- photon detection
- photon number cut
- kinematic fit
- BRs of $\psi(2S)$ decay bkg.
- χ_{CJ} decay width uncertainties
- bkg. shape
- fitting range
- extrapolation from box region to full phase space
- signal MC simulation
- $\psi(2S)$ total number
- J/ψ decay BR
- interferences

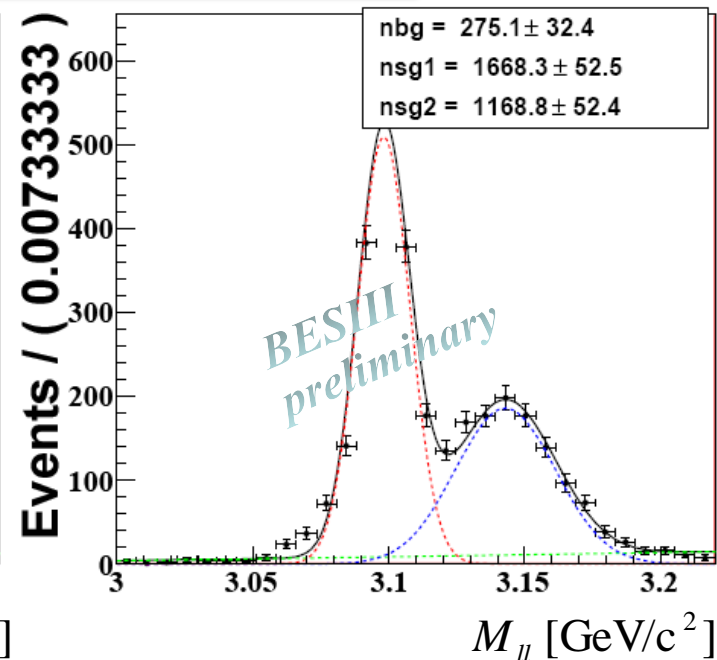
$\pi^0\pi^0J/\psi$ Background Validation

simple fit: **two Gaussian** plus **1st-order polynominal**
assuming right bump comes from $\pi^0\pi^0J/\psi$ process



$$\epsilon_{ee}^{\pi^0\pi^0J/\psi} = 0.073 \times (1 \pm 0.0083)\%$$

BR: $(16.16 \pm 1.03)\%$

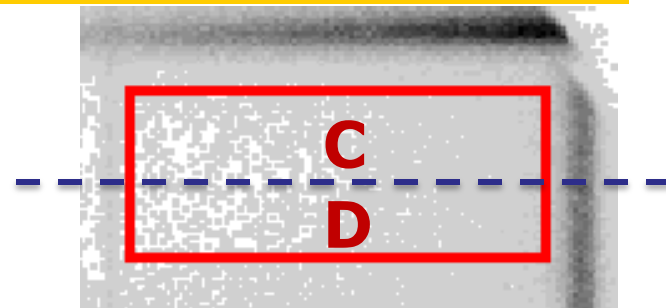
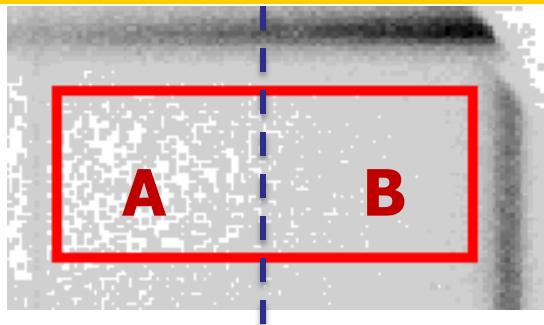


$$\epsilon_{\mu\mu}^{\pi^0\pi^0J/\psi} = 0.114 \times (1 \pm 0.0066)\%$$

BR: $(16.73 \pm 0.76)\%$

agree well with PDG value: 16.84%

Test Enhancement in Different Box Region



$RM_{\gamma_2} (\text{GeV}/c^2)$	$M_{\gamma\gamma} (\text{GeV}/c^2)$	$Br_{ee} (\times 10^{-3})$	$Br_{\mu\mu} (\times 10^{-3})$
A (3.43, 3.49)	(0.15, 0.33)	1.17 ± 0.13	1.25 ± 0.11
B (3.43, 3.49)	(0.33, 0.51)	0.97 ± 0.10	0.79 ± 0.08
C (3.43, 3.46)	(0.15, 0.51)	0.97 ± 0.11	1.04 ± 0.08
D (3.46, 3.49)	(0.15, 0.51)	1.16 ± 0.12	0.98 ± 0.10

- **existence of the enhancement is robust**
- **variation of the measurements in different regions:**
 - statistical fluctuation
 - physics mechanism of signal process
 - to be included in the systematic uncertainties

Compilation of Preliminary Systematic Uncertainties

	systematic uncertainties (%)	
	$J/\psi \rightarrow ee$	$J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$
lepton tracking	-0.7	+1.0
photon detection	± 1.0	± 1.0
photon number cut	+3.8	± 1.0
4C KF	+1.1	+1.1
relative branching fraction	+11.3 -11.6	+12.5 -12.8
χ_{cJ} decay width	+7.4 -5.2	+10.5 -4.2
χ_{cJ} inter-interferences	-4.7	-6.1
background shape	± 0.1	± 0.1
fitting range	+0.9 -2.8	-5.1
$\psi(2S)$ Total Number	+7.9 -7.5	+8.7 -8.4
$Br(J/\psi \rightarrow ll)$	± 1.0	± 1.0
total	+15.4 -16.7	+18.6 -17.8

big sources

- ✓ another important source, physics mechanism MC simulation of the signal process, not included yet
- ✓ possible signal- χ_{cJ} -decay interference not included

Summary

- ✚ Thanks to the high-luminosity of BEPCII and high-quality BESIII data, a significant enhancement of two-photon transition of $\psi(2S)$ to J/ψ was observed for the first time in the world: **significance $> 10\sigma$**
- ✚ The branching ratio was measured at BESIII with combination of two independent channels.
- ✚ Preliminary result shows:

$$Br(\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma\gamma J/\psi) = (1.02 \pm 0.05(\text{stat.})_{-0.20}^{+0.19}(\text{syst.})) \times 10^{-3}.$$

- ✚ The MC simulation of physics mechanism of signal process is under study and is not included
- ✚ Possible signal- χ_{CJ} -decay interference effect is not included

Thank You!

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