## Status of $\overline{p}p \rightarrow h_c \rightarrow \eta_c + \gamma$ analysis

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## h<sub>c</sub> discovery



- E760 claimed signal in  $h_c \rightarrow J/\psi + \pi^0$  decay.
- E835 failed to confirm this results but made a hint for  $\overline{p}p \rightarrow h_c \rightarrow \eta_c + \gamma$  decay
- In 2004 CLEO observes h<sub>c</sub> in inclusive and exclusive measurements of Ψ' decay.

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## Motivation to study

Spin-Spin part of potential

$$V_{\rm SS} = \frac{2(\overrightarrow{S}_1 \cdot \overrightarrow{S}_2)}{3m_c^2} \cdot \nabla^2 V_V(r)$$

- For V<sub>V</sub> purely from one-gluon exchange V<sub>V</sub> (no vector contribution from confining part of potential) V<sub>V</sub>(r) ~ <sup>1</sup>/<sub>r</sub>
- For P-state ( $\Psi(r \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow 0$ ) no hiper-fine splitting
- Trtplet P-states are split by spin-orbit interaction
- Centre of gravity of triplet state

$$M_{cog} = \frac{M(\chi_0) + 3M(\chi_1) + 5M(\chi_2)}{9}$$

Small M<sub>cog</sub> – M<sub>hc</sub> results in small vector contribution to confining potential

## $h_c$ decay modes

#### Discovery channel

$$h_c \rightarrow J/\psi + \pi^0$$

Exclusive process

$$ar{p} p 
ightarrow h_c 
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Neutral channel

$$h_c \rightarrow \gamma + \eta_c \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma + \gamma$$
 (BR = 4.3 · 10<sup>-4</sup>)

#### Channels with charged particles

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_c &\to K_S^0 K^{\pm} \pi^{\pm} \quad (BR = 1.9 \cdot 10^{-2}) \\ \eta_c &\to K_L^0 K^{\pm} \pi^{\pm} \quad (BR = 1.9 \cdot 10^{-2}) \\ \eta_c &\to K^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^- \quad (BR = 1.5 \cdot 10^{-2}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_c &\to \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^- \quad (BR = 1.2 \cdot 10^{-2}) \\ \eta_c &\to K^+ K^- \pi^0 \quad (BR = 1.5 \cdot 10^{-2}) \\ \eta_c &\to \pi^+ \pi^- \eta(\gamma\gamma) \quad (BR = 1.3 \cdot 10^{-2}) \end{aligned}$$

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## Description of the studied channel



Due to C-parity conservation the helicity-1 state does not enter into  $h_c$  production.

$$W( heta) = W(\pi/2)\sin^2( heta)$$

#### Cross-sections

 $egin{aligned} &\sigma_{p\overline{
ho} o h_c o \eta_c+\gamma} = 16.8 \pm 2.7 pb~(E835) \ &\sigma_{\pi^0\pi^0} = 31.4~nb, E = 3526 MeV, |cos( heta)| < 0.6 \ &\sigma_{\pi^0\gamma} = 1.4~nb, E = 3526 MeV, |cos( heta)| < 0.6 \end{aligned}$ 

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*E<sub>CM</sub>*=3526 MeV, *p<sub>z</sub>*=5609 MeV

 $p\overline{p} \rightarrow h_c \rightarrow \eta_c + \gamma_1 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma \gamma_1,$ 

 $E_{\gamma}$ =503 MeV

 $\eta_c \rightarrow \gamma\gamma, \ BR = 4.3 \cdot 10^{-4}$ 

## **Event selection**

- 100 k events  $p\overline{p} \rightarrow h_c \rightarrow \eta_c + \gamma$ ,  $(E_{CM} = 3526 MeV)$
- background
  - 1 M  $p\overline{p} \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$
  - 1 M  $p\overline{p} \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma$
- Selection cuts:
  - Only 3  $\gamma$  in events
  - η<sub>c</sub> mass range [2.6:3.2] GeV
  - Difference to beam momentum:
    - $egin{aligned} |m{p}(\eta_{m{c}}+\gamma)_{m{z}}-m{p}_{b,m{z}}| &< 0.2 { ext{GeV}} \ |m{p}(\eta_{m{c}}+\gamma)_{m{x},m{y}}| &< 0.2 { ext{GeV}} \end{aligned}$
  - *E*<sub>γ3</sub> within [0.4:0.6] GeV
  - $|\cos(\theta^*_{\gamma 1,2})| < 0.4$
  - $M(\gamma_1 + \gamma_3), M(\gamma_2 + \gamma_3) > 1.0 GeV$

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## $h_c \rightarrow \eta_c + \gamma$



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0.508

0.02873

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1365 ± 24.5

 $0.508 \pm 0.000$ 

 $0.02349 \pm 0.00033$ 

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Energy, GeV

86.1%

67.1%

63.6%

61.6%

23.5%

8.8%

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## Number of $\gamma$ in $\pi^0 \pi^0$ , $\pi^0 \gamma$ events



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## Distribution of $cos(\theta_{\gamma 1,2})$ in $h_c$ events



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# Distribution of $cos(\theta_{\gamma 1,2})$ in $\pi^0\pi^0$ events



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# Distribution of $cos(\theta_{\gamma 1,2})$ in $\pi^0\gamma$ events



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## Distribution of $M(\gamma_1 + \gamma_3), M(\gamma_2 + \gamma_3)$



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- With applied tight cuts and available statistics it seems possible to extract signal of interest from background.
- Signal to background ratio  $h_c: \pi^0 \pi^0: \pi^0 \gamma = 1 :< 0.4 :< 0.02$
- Other background channel with neutral final states should be studied.

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