

# Search for $C = +$ charmonium and $XYZ$ states in $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma + H$ at BESIII

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**ABSTRACT:** Within the framework of nonrelativistic quantum chromodynamics, we study the production of  $C = +$  charmonium states  $H$  in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma + H$  at BESIII with  $H = \eta_c(nS)$  ( $n=1, 2, 3$ , and  $4$ ),  $\chi_{cJ}(nP)$  ( $n=1, 2$ , and  $3$ ), and  $^1D_2(nD)$  ( $n=1$  and  $2$ ). The radiative and relativistic corrections are calculated to next-to-leading order for  $S$  and  $P$  wave states. We then argue that the search for  $C = +$   $XYZ$  states such as  $X(3872)$ ,  $X(3940)$ ,  $X(4160)$ , and  $X(4350)$  in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma + H$  at BESIII may help clarify the nature of these states. BESIII can search  $XYZ$  states through two body process  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma H$ , where  $H$  decay to  $J/\psi\pi^+\pi^-$ ,  $J/\psi\phi$ , or  $D\bar{D}$ . This result may be useful in identifying the nature of  $C = +$   $XYZ$  states. For completeness, the production of  $C = +$  charmonium in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma + H$  at B factories is also discussed.

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## 1 Introduction

During the last 10 years, many heavy quarkonium or heavy quarkonium-like  $XYZ$  states had been discovered (more details can be found in Ref.[1] and related papers). The  $X(3872)$  state is the first and the most famous state among them. It was discovered by the Belle collaboration[2], and confirmed by the CDF [3], D0[4], BaBar[5], LHCb[6], and CMS[7] collaborations. One of the most conspicuous properties of  $X(3872)$  is its mass, which is close to the  $D^0\bar{D}^{*0}$  threshold within 1 MeV; hence,  $X(3872)$  is suggested to be a  $D^0\bar{D}^{*0}$  molecule [8–11]. The contribution of the charged component  $D^+D^{*-}$  is also considered in Ref.[12, 13]. The molecule model may be puzzled to explain the production cross-sections of  $X(3872)$  in hadron colliders ( which may be large in some phenomenological models[14] ) [15]. The quantum numbers of  $X(3872)$  have been determined to be  $J^{PC} = 1^{++}$  by LHCb collaboration [16]. The  $J^{PC}$  of  $X(3872)$  is the same as  $\chi_{c1}(nP)$ . On the contrary, the mass 3.872 GeV seems too low for a  $\chi_{c1}(2P)$  state. The coupled-channel and screening effects may draw its mass down to 3.87 GeV [17]. However, next-to-leading order (NLO) prediction of  $X(3872)$  production in hadron colliders within nonrelativistic quantum chromodynamics (NRQCD) disfavors the interpretation of  $X(3872)$  as pure  $\chi_{c1}(2P)$  [18]. The possibility that  $X(3872)$  might be a mixture state with the  $\chi_{c1}(2P)$  and the  $D^0\bar{D}^{*0}$  components was proposed in Ref.[19]. The prompt  $X(3872)$  hadroproduction is studied at NLO in  $\alpha_s$ [20] and the result is consistent with the CMS [7] and the CDF data[3]. This idea is also favored the data of some other measurements and predictions [15, 17, 21, 22].

Besides  $X(3872)$ , other  $C = +$   $XYZ$  states are listed in Table 1. These states are particularly interesting and the interpretations for their nature are still inconclusive[23].  $X(3915)$

**Table 1.**  $C = +$   $XYZ$  states.  $X(3915)$ ,  $X(3945)$ , and  $Y(3940)$  is considered as  $\chi_{c0}(2P)$  for compatible properties.  $Z(3930)$  is considered as  $\chi_{c2}(2P)$ [1, 33].

State	$m(\Gamma)$ in MeV	$J^{PC}$	Production (Decay)	Ref
$X(3872)$	$3871.68 \pm 0.17$ ( $< 1.2$ )	$1^{++}$	$B \rightarrow K (\pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi)$ $p\bar{p} \rightarrow (\pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi) + \dots$ $B \rightarrow K (\omega J/\psi)$ $B \rightarrow K (D^0 \bar{D}^*)$ $B \rightarrow K (\gamma J/\psi, \gamma \psi(2S))$ $pp \rightarrow (\pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi) + \dots$	[2] [3, 34] [35, 36] [37, 38] [39] [6, 7, 16]
$X(3915)$	$3917.5 \pm 2.7$ ( $27 \pm 10$ )	$0^{++}$	$B \rightarrow K (\omega J/\psi)$ $e^+ e^- \rightarrow e^+ e^- (\omega J/\psi)$	[40, 41] [36, 42]
$X(3940)$	$3942_{-8}^{+9}$ ( $37_{-17}^{+27}$ )	$J^{P+}$	$e^+ e^- \rightarrow J/\psi (D \bar{D}^*)$	[43]
$Y(4140)$	$4143.0 \pm 3.1$ ( $12_{-6}^{+9}$ )	$J^{P+}$	$B \rightarrow K (\phi J/\psi)$	[44]
$X(4160)$	$4156_{-25}^{+29}$ ( $139_{-60}^{+110}$ )	$J^{P+}$	$e^+ e^- \rightarrow J/\psi (D^{*+} \bar{D}^{*-})$	[43]
$Y(4274)$	$4274.4_{-6.7}^{+8.4}$ ( $32_{-15}^{+22}$ )	$J^{P+}$	$B \rightarrow K (\phi J/\psi)$	[44]
$X(4350)$	$4350.6_{-5.1}^{+4.6}$ ( $13.3_{-10.0}^{+18.4}$ )	$0/2^{++}$	$e^+ e^- \rightarrow e^+ e^- (\phi J/\psi)$	[45]

( $X(3945)$  or  $Y(3940)$ ) and  $Z(3930)$  are assigned as the  $\chi_{c0}(2P)$  and  $\chi_{c2}(2P)$  states by the Particle Data Group[24]. However this identification may be called into question[25]. The experimental results for these  $C = +$  states have induced renewed theoretical interest in understanding the nature of charmonium-like states. The double charmonium production in  $e^+ e^-$  annihilation at B factories[26, 27] turned out to be a possible way to identify the  $C = +$  charmonium or charmonium-like states, recoiling against the easily reconstructed  $1^{--}$  charmonium  $J/\psi$  and  $\psi(2S)$ . In addition to  $\eta_c, \eta_c(2S)$ ,  $\chi_{c0}$ ,  $X(3940)$  (decaying into  $D \bar{D}^*$ ), and  $X(4160)$  (decaying into  $D^* \bar{D}^*$ ) have also been observed in double charmonium production at B factories. However,  $\chi_{c1}$  and  $\chi_{c2}$  states are missing in production associated with  $J/\psi$  at B factories. Identifying the  $C = +$  charmonium states  $H$  in the  $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \gamma^* \rightarrow \gamma + H$  process at B factories is also proposed[28, 29]. The quantum chromodynamics (QCD) corrections of  $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \gamma^* \rightarrow \gamma + H$  at B factories are calculated in Ref.[30, 31]. The relativistic correction of  $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \gamma^* \rightarrow \gamma + \eta_c$  is also included in Ref.[31]. Indirect measurement of quarkonium in the two-photon process is also proposed[32].

Recently, BESIII reports the cross-sections of  $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \gamma X(3872)$ [46, 47]

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma[e^+ e^- \rightarrow \gamma X(3872)] \times \text{Br}[J/\psi \pi \pi] &< 0.13 \text{pb} \quad \text{at } 90\% \text{ CL.} & \sqrt{s} &= 4.009 \text{GeV} \\
\sigma[e^+ e^- \rightarrow \gamma X(3872)] \times \text{Br}[J/\psi \pi \pi] &= 0.32 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.02 \text{pb} & \sqrt{s} &= 4.230 \text{GeV} \\
\sigma[e^+ e^- \rightarrow \gamma X(3872)] \times \text{Br}[J/\psi \pi \pi] &= 0.35 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.02 \text{pb} & \sqrt{s} &= 4.260 \text{GeV} \\
\sigma[e^+ e^- \rightarrow \gamma X(3872)] \times \text{Br}[J/\psi \pi \pi] &< 0.39 \text{pb} \quad \text{at } 90\% \text{ CL.} & \sqrt{s} &= 4.360 \text{GeV}
\end{aligned} \tag{1.1}$$

Where  $\text{Br}[J/\psi \pi \pi]$  means  $\text{Br}[X(3872) \rightarrow J/\psi \pi \pi]$ . And the studies of  $\psi(4160) \rightarrow X(3872) \gamma$

[48] and  $\psi(4260) \rightarrow X(3872)\gamma$  [49] are proposed to probe the molecular content of the  $X(3872)$ .

Many NLO relativistic and radiative corrections for heavy quarkonium production are considered within nonrelativistic QCD (NRQCD)[50]. By introducing the color octet mechanism, one can obtain the infrared-safe calculations for the decay rates of P wave [51–53] and D wave[54–56] quarkonium states. The color octet contributions of the diphoton decay of P wave quarkonium states are calculated in Ref.[57].  $O(\alpha_s v^2)$  corrections to the decays of  $h_c, h_b$  and  $\eta_b$  are studied in Ref.[58, 59]. The NLO QCD corrections[60–70], relativistic corrections[71–78], and  $O(\alpha_s v^2)$  corrections [79, 80] largely compensate for the discrepancies between theoretical values and experimental measurements at B factories. The contributions of higher-order QCD corrections for charmonium production [18, 20, 81–88] and polarization [89–92] in hadron colliders are also significant. The relativistic corrections to  $J/\psi$  hadroproduction are significant[93–95].

We calculate the production of  $C = +$  charmonium at  $e^+e^-$  annihilation at BESIII to test the nature of  $C = +$   $XYZ$  states. Our paper is organized as follows. The calculation framework is given in Sec. 2. The numerical results of the cross-sections of  $C = +$  charmonium are discussed in Sec. 3. A discussion of  $X(3872)$  and other  $C = +$   $XYZ$  states is given in Sec. 4. The summary is given in Sec. 5.

## 2 The frame of the calculation

In the NRQCD factorization framework, we can express the amplitude in the rest frame of  $H$  as[28, 30, 31]

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}(e^-(k_1)e^+(k_2) \rightarrow H_{c\bar{c}}(^{2S+1}L_J)(2p_1) + \gamma) \\ = \sum_{L_z S_z} \sum_{s_1 s_2} \sum_{jk} \int d^3\vec{q} \Phi_{c\bar{c}}(\vec{q}) \langle s_1; s_2 | SS_z \rangle \langle 3j; \bar{3}k | 1 \rangle \\ \times \mathcal{A} \left[ e^-(k_1)e^+(k_2) \rightarrow c_j^{s_1}(p_1 + q) + \bar{c}_k^{s_2}(p_1 - q) + \gamma(k) \right], \end{aligned} \quad (2.1)$$

where  $\langle 3j; \bar{3}k | 1 \rangle = \delta_{jk}/\sqrt{N_c}$ ,  $\langle s_1; s_2 | SS_z \rangle$  is the color Clebsch-Gordan coefficient for  $c\bar{c}$  pairs projecting out appropriate bound states, and  $\langle s_1; s_2 | SS_z \rangle$  is the spin Clebsch-Gordan coefficient.  $\mathcal{A} \left[ e^-(k_1)e^+(k_2) \rightarrow c_j^{s_1}(p_1 + q) + \bar{c}_k^{s_2}(p_1 - q) + \gamma(k) \right]$  is the quark level scattering amplitude. In the rest frame of  $H$ ,  $q = (0, \vec{q})$ , and  $p_1 = (\sqrt{m_c^2 + \vec{q}^2}, 0, 0, 0)$ .  $\Phi_{c\bar{c}}^H(\vec{q})$  is the  $c\bar{c}$  component wave function of hadron  $H$  in momentum space. For  $v^2 = \vec{q}^2/m_c^2 \ll 1$ [50], we can expand Eq.(2.1) with  $v^2$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}(q) = \mathcal{A}(0) + \left. \frac{\partial \mathcal{A}(\vec{q})}{\partial \vec{q}^\alpha} \right|_{q=0} \vec{q}^\alpha + \left. \frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{A}(\vec{q})}{\partial \vec{q}^\alpha \partial \vec{q}^\beta} \right|_{q=0} \frac{\vec{q}^\alpha \vec{q}^\beta}{2} \\ + \left. \frac{\partial^3 \mathcal{A}(\vec{q})}{\partial \vec{q}^\alpha \partial \vec{q}^\beta \partial \vec{q}^\delta} \right|_{q=0} \frac{\vec{q}^\alpha \vec{q}^\beta \vec{q}^\delta}{3!} + \dots \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

Here  $\mathcal{A}(q) = \mathcal{A} \left[ e^-(k_1) e^+(k_2) \rightarrow c_j^{s_1}(p_1 + q) + \bar{c}_k^{s_2}(p_1 - q) + \gamma(k) \right]$ . We consider the Fourier transform between the momentum space and position space as: [50, 94],

$$\begin{aligned} \int d^3\vec{q} \quad \Phi_{c\bar{c}}(\vec{q}) &\propto \sqrt{Z_{c\bar{c}}^H} R_{c\bar{c}}(0) \\ \int d^3\vec{q} \quad \vec{q}^\alpha \Phi_{c\bar{c}}(\vec{q}) &\propto \sqrt{Z_{c\bar{c}}^H} R'_{c\bar{c}}(0) \\ \int d^3\vec{q} \quad \vec{q}^\alpha \vec{q}^\beta \Phi_{c\bar{c}}(\vec{q}) &\propto \sqrt{Z_{c\bar{c}}^H} R''_{c\bar{c}}(0) \\ \int d^3\vec{q} \quad \vec{q}^\alpha \vec{q}^\beta \vec{q}^\delta \Phi_{c\bar{c}}(\vec{q}) &\propto \sqrt{Z_{c\bar{c}}^H} R'''_{c\bar{c}}(0). \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

Here  $Z_{c\bar{c}}^H$  is the possibility of  $c\bar{c}$  component in hadron  $H$ .  $R_{c\bar{c}}(0)$  is the radial Schrodinger wave function at the origin.  $R'_{c\bar{c}}(0)$  is the derivative of the radial Schrodinger wave function at the origin

$$R_{c\bar{c}}^l(0) = \left. \frac{d^l R_{c\bar{c}}(r)}{d^l r} \right|_{r=0} \quad (2.4)$$

$R_{c\bar{c}}(0)$  corresponds to the  $\mathcal{O}(v^0)$  S wave matrix element,  $R'_{c\bar{c}}(0)$  corresponds to the  $\mathcal{O}(v^0)$  P wave matrix element,  $R''_{c\bar{c}}(0)$  corresponds to the  $\mathcal{O}(v^2)$  S wave matrix element or  $\mathcal{O}(v^0)$  D wave matrix element, and  $R'''_{c\bar{c}}(0)$  corresponds to the  $\mathcal{O}(v^2)$  P wave matrix element.

$R_{c\bar{c}}(0)$  is also written as long-distance matrix elements (LDMEs) as discussed in Ref.[94]. For example,

$$\langle 0 | \mathcal{O}^{\chi_{c1}}(^3P_1^{[1]}) | 0 \rangle = \frac{27}{2\pi} |R'_{1P}(0)|^2, \quad (2.5)$$

We calculated the relativistic corrections for the S wave and P wave states and obtain two LDMEs for  $\eta_c$ , four LDMEs for  $\chi_{cJ}$ , and one LDMEs for  $^1D_2$  states. To simplify the discussion of the numerical result, we assumed that

$$< 0 | \mathcal{O}^{\chi_{cJ}}(^3P_J^{[1]}) | 0 > = (2J + 1) < 0 | \mathcal{O}^{\chi_{cJ}}(^3P_0^{[1]}) | 0 >. \quad (2.6)$$

$$v^2 = \frac{\langle 0 | \mathcal{P}^H(^{2s+1}L_J^{[c]}) | 0 \rangle}{m_c^2 \langle 0 | \mathcal{O}^H(^{2s+1}L_J^{[c]}) | 0 \rangle}. \quad (2.7)$$

Then there is only one LDME for S wave, P wave, and D wave respectively. More details can be found in Ref.[94].

The relativistic correction  $K$  factor is

$$\begin{aligned} K_{v^2}[\eta_c] &= -\frac{5v^2}{6} - \frac{rv^2}{1-r}, \\ K_{v^2}[\chi_{c0}] &= -\frac{(55r^2 - 28r + 13)v^2}{10(3r^2 - 4r + 1)} - \frac{rv^2}{1-r}, \\ K_{v^2}[\chi_{c1}] &= -\frac{(21r^2 + 30r - 11)v^2}{10(r^2 - 1)} - \frac{rv^2}{1-r}, \\ K_{v^2}[\chi_{c2}] &= -\frac{(90r^3 + 113r^2 + 4r - 7)v^2}{10(r - 1)(6r^2 + 3r + 1)} - \frac{rv^2}{1-r}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.8)$$

where  $r = 4m_c^2/s$ .  $-\frac{rv^2}{1-r}$  is the relativistic correction of the phase space. If we select  $r \rightarrow 0$ , the  $K_{v^2}$  factor is consistent with the  $K$  factor at large  $p_T$  in Ref.[94].

Our leading order (LO) cross-sections of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma^* \rightarrow \gamma + H$  is consistent with Ref.[28, 30, 31]. The QCD corrections of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma^* \rightarrow \gamma + H$  is consistent with Ref.[30, 31]. And the relativistic corrections of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma^* \rightarrow \gamma + \eta_c$  is consistent with Ref.[31, 77, 78].

We can obtain a similar amplitude for the  $D\bar{D}$  component in the molecule model. We can estimate the off-resonance amplitude of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow H + \gamma$  from the  $D\bar{D}$  component. The parton-level amplitudes may be compared with the hadron-level amplitudes:

$$\mathcal{A}[e^-(k_1)e^+(k_2) \rightarrow c\bar{c}(2p_1) + \gamma] \sim \mathcal{A}[e^-(k_1)e^+(k_2) \rightarrow D\bar{D}(2p_1) + \gamma] \quad (2.9)$$

By contrast, the  $R_{c\bar{c}}^l(0) \sim v^{2l}R_{c\bar{c}}^S(0) \gg R_{D\bar{D}}(0)$  with the  $S$  wave  $l = 0$  and  $P$  wave  $l = 1$  for the binding energies of  $c\bar{c}$  and  $D\bar{D}$  are several hundreds of MeV and several MeV, respectively. If  $Z_{c\bar{c}}^H \sim Z_{D\bar{D}}^H$ , we can consider the  $c\bar{c}$  contributions only.

In the numerical calculation, we consider the charm quark mass as half of the hadron mass consistent with the physics phase space. With a large charm quark mass, the wave functions at the origin are identified as the Cornell potential result in Ref.[96]. The selected parameters are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} m_c &= m_H/2, & \alpha_s &= 0.23, & \alpha &= 1/133, \\ v^2 &= 0.23, & R_{1S} &= 1.454\text{GeV}^3, & R_{2S} &= 0.927\text{GeV}^3, \\ R_{3S} &= 0.791\text{GeV}^3, & R'_{1P} &= 0.131\text{GeV}^5, & R'_{2P} &= 0.186\text{GeV}^5, \\ R''_{1D} &= 0.031\text{GeV}^7. \end{aligned} \quad (2.10)$$

The wave functions at origin for higher states are estimated as

$$\begin{aligned} R_{4S} &= 2 \times R_{3S} - R_{2S} = 0.655\text{GeV}^3, \\ R'_{3P} &= (R'_{1P} + R'_{2P})/2 = 0.159\text{GeV}^5, \\ R''_{2D} &= R''_{1D} = 0.031\text{GeV}^7. \end{aligned} \quad (2.11)$$

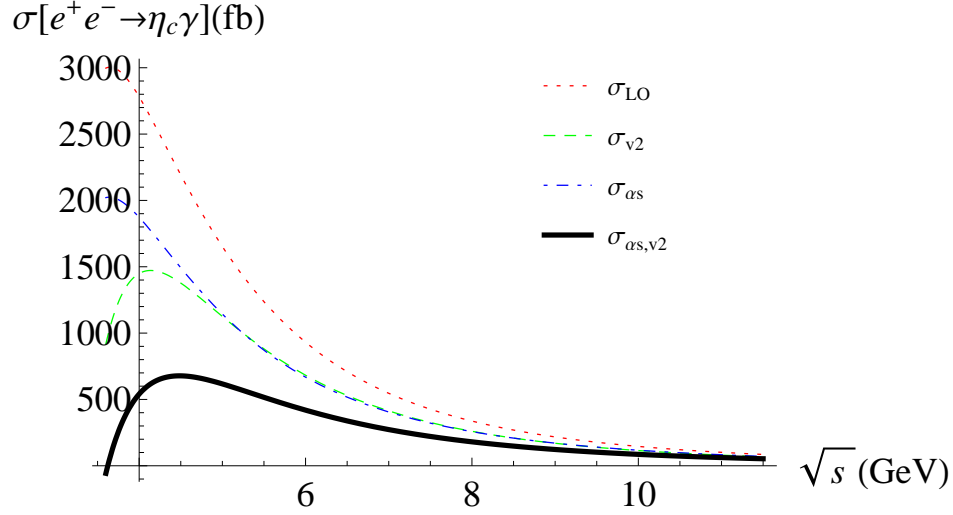
In the numerical result, " $\sigma_{LO}$ " is the LO cross-section, " $\sigma_{v^2}$ " is the cross-section including the LO and the relativistic correction, " $\sigma_{\alpha_s}$ " is the cross-section including the LO and the radiative correction, and " $\sigma_{\alpha_s, v^2}$ " is the cross-section including the LO, the relativistic correction, and the radiative correction. In addition, "LO" is the LO cross-section, "RC" is the relativistic correction, "QCD" is the radiative correction, and "Total" is the cross-section including the LO, the relativistic correction, and the radiative correction.

For the LO, the cross-section is  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^0 v^0)$ . As  $\alpha_s = 0.23 \pm 0.03$  and  $v^2 = 0.23 \pm 0.03$  are reasonable estimates, we can estimate that the uncertainty of the numerical result from  $\alpha_s$  and  $v^2$  is  $< 10\%$ .

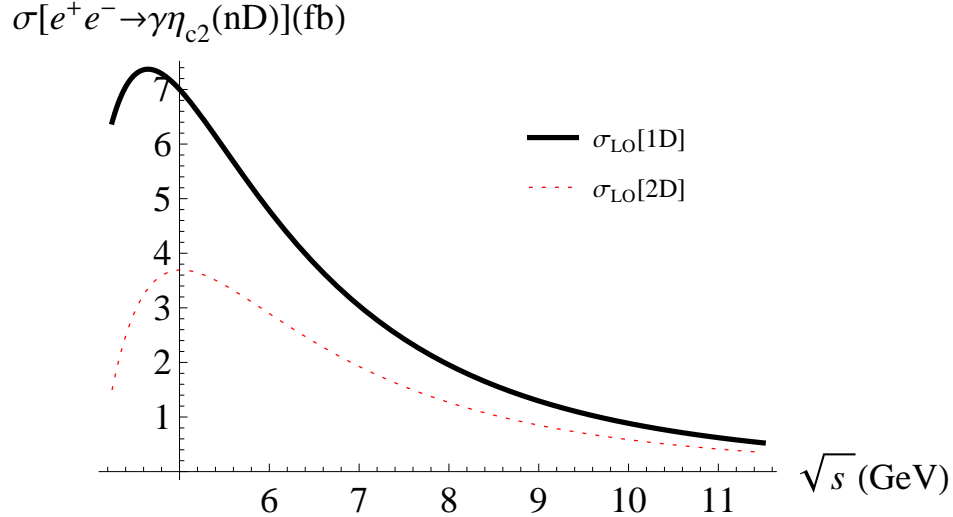
### 3 Pure $C = +$ charmonium states

We can estimate the cross-sections for pure  $C = +$  charmonium states  $H$  in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma + H$  at BESIII with  $H = \eta_c(nS)$  ( $n=1, 2, 3$ , and 4),  $\chi_{cJ}(nP)$  ( $n=1, 2$ , and 3), and  $^1D_2(nD)$  ( $n=1$

and 2). The mass of the lower states can be found in Ref.[24], and the mass of the higher states is selected from Ref.[17].



**Figure 1.** The cross-sections of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \eta_c + \gamma$  as a function of  $\sqrt{s}$  in fb. The cross-section " $\sigma_{LO}$ ", " $\sigma_{v^2}$ ", " $\sigma_{\alpha_s}$ ", and " $\sigma_{\alpha_s, v^2}$ " are defined near the end of Section 2.



**Figure 2.** The cross-sections of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \eta_{c2}(1D, 2D) + \gamma$  as a function of  $\sqrt{s}$  in fb.

The cross-section of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \eta_c + \gamma$  as a function of  $\sqrt{s}$  is shown in Fig.1. The cross-sections of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \eta_{c2}(1D, 2D) + \gamma$  as a function of  $\sqrt{s}$  are shown in Fig.2. The numerical results for  $nS$  with  $n = 1, 2, 3, 4$  and  $nD$  with  $n = 1, 2$  are listed in Table 2. We determined

**Table 2.** The cross-sections of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow H + \gamma$  for  $\eta_c(nS)$  with  $n = 1, 2, 3, 4$  and  $\eta_{c2}(nD)$  for  $n = 1, 2$  charmonium states in fb. The labels LO, RC, QCD and Total are defined near the end of Section 2. The mass of  $\eta_c(3S)$ ,  $\eta_c(4S)$ ,  $\eta_{c2}(1D)$ , and  $\eta_{c2}(2D)$  are selected from Ref.[17]. The other mass can be found in Ref.[24].

$\sqrt{s}(\text{GeV})$		4.00	4.25	4.50	4.75	5.00	10.6	11.2
$\eta_c(2981)$	LO	2781	2494	2192	1906	1652	117	95
	RC	-1332	-1033	-814	-650	-526	-25	-20
	QCD	-909	-807	-700	-598	-508	-22	-16
	Total	540	653	678	658	617	70	58
$\eta_c(2S)(3639)$	LO	563	684	706	679	629	58	48
	RC	-730	-563	-442	-352	-284	-13	-10
	QCD	-177	-221	-231	-222	-205	-13	-10
	Total	-344	-100	33	105	141	32	27
$\eta_c(3S)(3994)$	LO		233	337	374	377	44	36
	RC		-450	-352	-279	-225	-10	-8
	QCD		-72	-107	-121	-123	-10	-8
	Total		-228	-122	-27	29	24	20
$\eta_c(4S)(4250)$	LO			133	198	225	34	28
	RC			-279	-221	-178	-8	-6
	QCD			-41	-63	-73	-8	-7
	Total			-186	-86	-26	17	15
$\eta_{c2}(1D)(3796)$	LO	4.0	6.4	7.3	7.3	7.0	0.71	0.58
$\eta_{c2}(2D)(4099)$	LO		1.5	2.9	3.5	3.7	0.47	0.38

that the radiative and relativistic corrections are negative and large for  $\eta_c(nS)$ , respectively. The LO cross-sections for  $\eta_{c2}(1D, 2D)$  is very small at BESIII; hence, the high order corrections are ignored.

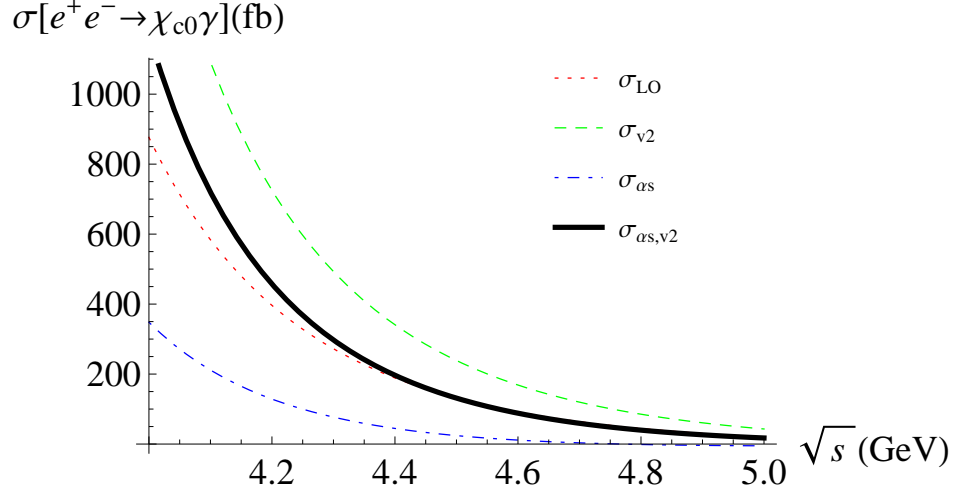
The cross-sections of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \chi_{cJ} + \gamma$  as a function of  $\sqrt{s}$  are shown in Fig.3, Fig.4, and Fig.5 for  $J = 0, 1, 2$ , respectively. The numerical results for  $\chi_{cJ}(nP)$  with  $n = 1, 2, 3$  are listed in Table 3, Table 4, and Table 5 for  $J = 0, 1, 2$ , respectively. We determined that the QCD corrections are large but negative and the relativistic corrections are large and positive. Hence, many  $P$  wave states can be searched at BESIII.

The NRQCD requires that the energy of photon at the center of the mass frame of  $e^+e^-$

$$E_\gamma = \frac{s - M_H^2}{2\sqrt{s}} \sim \sqrt{s} - M_H + \mathcal{O}[(1 - M_H/\sqrt{s})^2] \quad (3.1)$$

be larger than  $\Lambda_{QCD} \sim 300 \text{ MeV} \sim m_c v^2$ . Although this process is a QED process, the prediction is not reliable and only a reference value if this requirement is not satisfied. If we replace photon with gluon, the soft photon contributions correspond to the long-distance color octet contributions[31, 50].





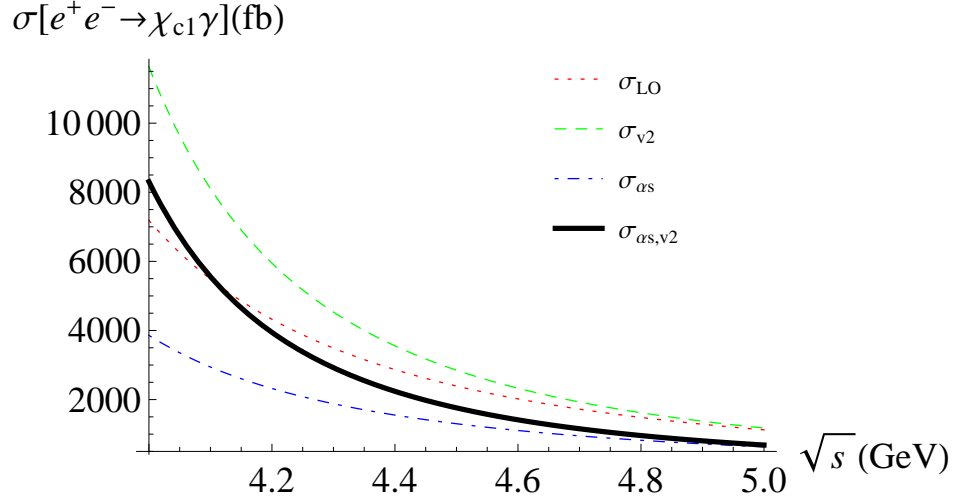
**Figure 3.** The cross-sections of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \chi_{c0} + \gamma$  as a function of  $\sqrt{s}$  in fb. The cross-section " $\sigma_{LO}$ ", " $\sigma_{v^2}$ ", " $\sigma_{\alpha_s}$ ", and " $\sigma_{\alpha_s, v^2}$ " are defined near the end of Section 2.

**Table 3.** The cross-sections of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \chi_{c0}(nP) + \gamma$  with  $n = 1, 2, 3$  in fb. The labels LO, RC, QCD and Total are defined near the end of Section 2. The  $\chi_{c0}(2P)$  is considered as  $X(3915)(X(3945)/Y(3940))$  [1, 33]. The mass of  $\chi_{c0}(3P)$  are selected from Ref.[17]. The other mass can be found in Ref.[24].

$\sqrt{s}(\text{GeV})$		4.00	4.25	4.50	4.75	5.00	10.6	11.2
$\chi_{c0}(3415)$	LO	877	328	132	53	21	1.81	1.6
	RC	825	268	107	48	22	-0.77	-0.63
	QCD	-528	-228	-107	-52	-26	-0.38	-0.29
	Total	1173	368	131	49	17	1.42	1.22
$\chi_{c0}(2P)(3918)$	LO		1991	665	271	119	1.30	1.18
	RC		3102	680	230	96	-0.64	-0.54
	QCD		-1013	-384	-177	-89	0.39	0.30
	Total		4080	962	324	127	1.04	0.94
$\chi_{c0}(3P)(4131)$	LO			1073	384	164	0.82	0.75
	RC			1600	391	140	-0.44	-0.38
	QCD			-551	-223	-107	0.29	0.23
	Total			2121	554	198	0.67	0.61

#### 4 $C = +$ XYZ states

$X(4160)$  and  $Y(4274)$  are found in the B decay  $B \rightarrow K + H \rightarrow K + \phi J/\psi$  by CDF collaboration[44]. No signal of  $X(4160)$  or  $Y(4274)$  is reported by B factories. Hence, the cross-sections for  $X(4160)$  or  $Y(4274)$  at BESIII may be too small. The cross-sections of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma H$  for  $X(3872)$ ,  $X(3940)$ ,  $X(4160)$ , and  $X(4350)$  are discussed here. The  $1^{--}$



**Figure 4.** The cross-sections of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \chi_{c1} + \gamma$  as a function of  $\sqrt{s}$  in fb. The cross-section " $\sigma_{LO}$ ", " $\sigma_{v^2}$ ", " $\sigma_{\alpha_s}$ ", and " $\sigma_{\alpha_s, v^2}$ " are defined near the end of Section 2.

**Table 4.** The cross-sections of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \chi_{c1}(nP) + \gamma$  with  $n = 1, 2, 3$  in fb. The labels LO, RC, QCD and Total are defined near the end of Section 2. The mass of  $\chi_{c1}(2P, 3P)$  are selected from Ref.[17]. And the mass of  $\chi_{c1}(1P)$  can be found in Ref.[24].

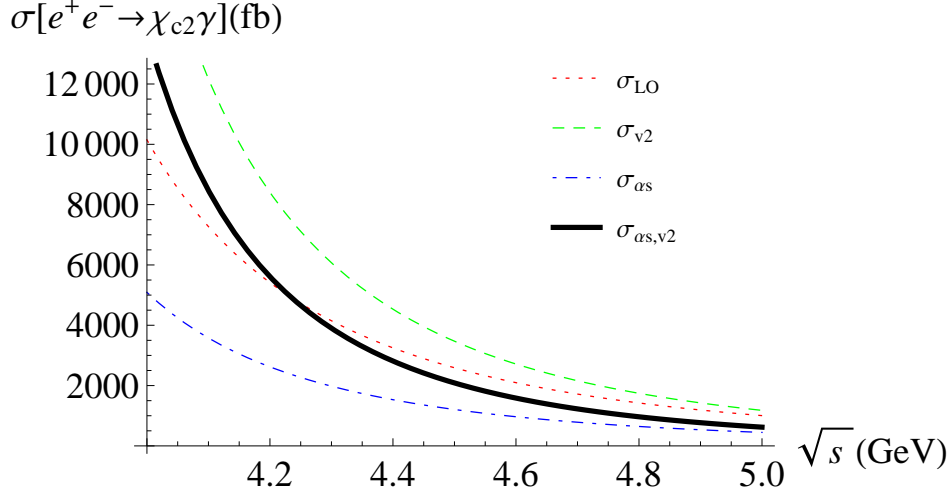
$\sqrt{s}(\text{GeV})$		4.00	4.25	4.50	4.75	5.00	10.6	11.2
$\chi_{c1}(3511)$	LO	7186	3874	2392	1597	1124	23.5	18.5
	RC	4448	1296	459	168	52	-4.8	-3.8
	QCD	-3327	-1791	-1091	-715	-492	-6.5	-4.9
	Total	8307	3379	1760	1051	685	12.3	9.7
$\chi_{c1}(2P)(3901)$	LO		8854	4244	2495	1624	25.7	20.0
	RC		9585	2297	789	312	-4.9	-3.9
	QCD		-4041	-1967	-1152	-741	-7.7	-5.70
	Total		14397	4573	2131	1195	13.2	10.3
$\chi_{c1}(3P)(4178)$	LO			1073	384	164	0.82	0.75
	RC			1600	391	140	-0.44	-0.38
	QCD			-551	-223	-107	0.29	0.23
	Total			2121	554	198	0.67	0.61

resonance contributions are ignored here.

#### 4.1 $X(3872)$

In the light of the mixture state of the  $\chi_{c1}(2P)$  and  $D^0\bar{D}^{*0}$  molecule, the cross-sections of  $X(3872)$  at hadron collides can be expressed as[20]:

$$d\sigma[X(3872) \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+\pi^-] = d\sigma[\chi_{c1}(2P)] \times k, \quad (4.1)$$



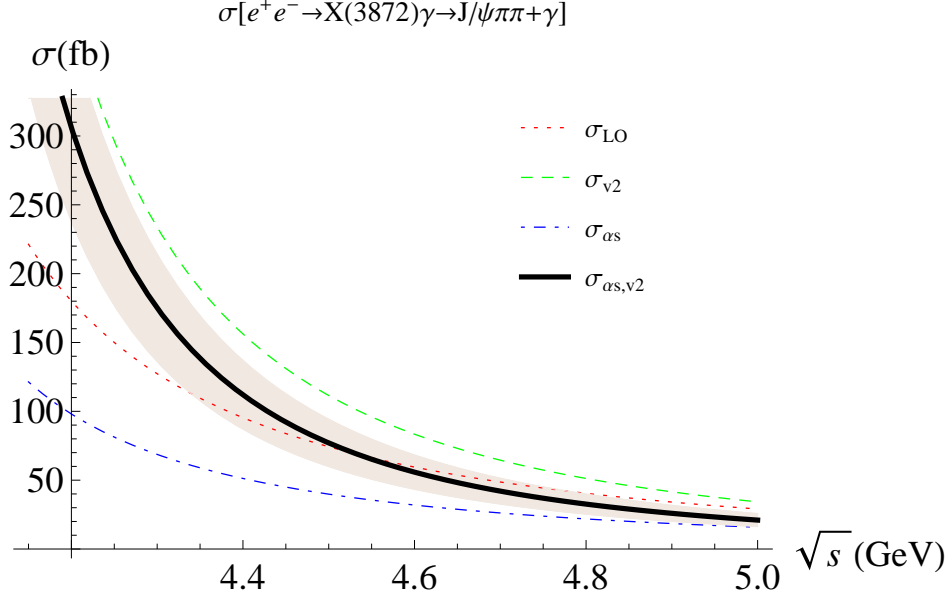
**Figure 5.** The cross-sections of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \chi_{c2} + \gamma$  as a function of  $\sqrt{s}$  in fb. The cross-section " $\sigma_{LO}$ ", " $\sigma_{v^2}$ ", " $\sigma_{\alpha_s}$ ", and " $\sigma_{\alpha_s, v^2}$ " are defined near the end of Section 2.

**Table 5.** The cross-sections of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \chi_{c2}(nP) + \gamma$  with  $n = 1, 2, 3$  in fb. The labels LO, RC, QCD and Total are defined near the end of Section 2.  $\chi_{c2}(2P)$  is considered as  $Z(3930)$ , [1, 33]. The mass of  $\chi_{c2}(3P)$  are selected from Ref.[17]. And the mass of  $\chi_{c2}(1P)$  can be found in Ref.[24].

$\sqrt{s}(\text{GeV})$		4.00	4.25	4.50	4.75	5.00	10.6	11.2
$\chi_{c2}(3556)$	LO	10149	4724	2590	1562	1004	9.66	7.37
	RC	8587	2385	880	376	173	-1.16	-0.93
	QCD	-5056	-2455	-1384	-851	-557	-6.27	-4.82
	Total	13679	4655	2087	1086	621	2.22	1.63
$\chi_{c2}(2P)(3927)$	LO		13419	5581	2931	1927	11.29	8.53
	RC		17835	3965	1355	565	-1.22	-0.99
	QCD		-6423	-2822	-1533	-926	-7.25	-5.52
	Total		24862	6723	2754	1368	2.82	2.03
$\chi_{c2}(3P)(4208)$	LO			8938	3607	1886	8.55	6.40
	RC			14212	2949	995	-0.83	-0.68
	QCD			-4210	-1803	-977	-5.43	-4.10
	Total			18941	4753	1904	2.28	1.62

where  $k = Z_{c\bar{c}}^{X(3875)} \times Br[X(3872) \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-]$ .  $Br[X(3872) \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-]$  is the branching fraction for  $X(3872)$  decay to  $J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$ .  $Z_{c\bar{c}}^{X(3875)}$  is the possibility of the  $\chi_{c1}(2P)$  component in  $X(3872)$ . And  $k = 0.018 \pm 0.04$  [19, 20].

To clarify the nature of  $X(3872)$ , we also give the numerical calculation of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow$



**Figure 6.** The cross-sections of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \chi_{c2} + \gamma$  as a function of  $\sqrt{s}$  in fb. The cross-section " $\sigma_{LO}$ ", " $\sigma_{v^2}$ ", " $\sigma_{\alpha_s}$ ", and " $\sigma_{\alpha_s, v^2}$ " are defined near the end of Section 2. The uncertainty bind of  $\sigma_{\alpha_s, v^2}$  is from the uncertainty of  $k = 0.018 \pm 0.04$ .

**Table 6.** The cross-sections of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow X(3872) + \gamma \rightarrow J/\psi \pi \pi + \gamma$  in fb. The labels LO, RC, QCD and Total are defined near the end of Section 2.

$\sqrt{s}(\text{GeV})$	4.15	4.2	4.25	4.3	4.35	4.45	4.55
LO	221 $\pm$ 49	180 $\pm$ 40	150 $\pm$ 33	127 $\pm$ 28	110 $\pm$ 24	84 $\pm$ 19	66 $\pm$ 15
RC	310 $\pm$ 69	208 $\pm$ 46	146 $\pm$ 32	106 $\pm$ 24	80 $\pm$ 18	47 $\pm$ 10	30 $\pm$ 7
QCD	-100 $\pm$ 22	-82 $\pm$ 18	-69 $\pm$ 15	-59 $\pm$ 13	-51 $\pm$ 11	-39 $\pm$ 9	-31 $\pm$ 7
Total	431 $\pm$ 96	306 $\pm$ 68	227 $\pm$ 51	175 $\pm$ 39	138 $\pm$ 31	92 $\pm$ 20	65 $\pm$ 14
$\sqrt{s}(\text{GeV})$	NRQCD prediction for continue				BESIII [46, 47]		
4.009					<130 at 90% CL.		
4.160	401 $\pm$ 89						
4.230	255 $\pm$ 57				320 $\pm$ 150 $\pm$ 20		
4.260	215 $\pm$ 48				350 $\pm$ 120 $\pm$ 20		
4.360	133 $\pm$ 29				<130 at 90% CL.		
4.415	105 $\pm$ 23						
4.660	47 $\pm$ 10						

$\gamma X(3872) \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$  in this picture

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sigma[e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma X(3872)] \times \text{Br}[X \rightarrow J/\psi \pi \pi] \\
& = \sigma[e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma \chi_{c1}(2P)(3872)] \times (0.018 \pm 0.004)
\end{aligned} \tag{4.2}$$

The cross-sections as a function of  $\sqrt{s}$  is shown in Fig.6. Many  $1^{--}$  states with  $M_H < 5$  GeV are also observed. We can predict the cross-sections from continuous contributions at this point, and the result is listed in Table 6. We ignore the  $1^{--}$  resonances contributions here. We emphasize that if we select  $\sqrt{s} = 4.009\text{GeV}$ , the energy of photon  $E_\gamma = 134$  MeV and smaller than  $\Lambda_{QCD} \sim m_c v^2 \sim 300$  MeV. Hence, NRQCD cannot accurately predict the cross-sections with a soft photon with  $\sqrt{s} = 4.009\text{GeV}$ [50]. If  $\sqrt{s} = 4.160\text{GeV}$ , the energy of photon is  $E_\gamma = 270\text{MeV}$ . Although this process is a QED process, the prediction is not reliable and only a reference value[31]. We determined that the NRQCD prediction of the continuous contributions can be compared with the BESIII data of the cross-sections of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma X(3872)$  [46, 47] in Eq.(1.1).

When we only considered the continuum production, the resonance contributions can be estimated as that:

$$\sigma_{Res}[s] = \frac{12\pi\Gamma[Res \rightarrow e^+e^-]\Gamma[Res \rightarrow \gamma X]}{(s - M^2)^2 + (M\Gamma_{tot}[Res])^2}. \quad (4.3)$$

We take into account only one resonance here and ignore continuum and other resonances here. If we ignore the interference between one resonance and continuum and other resonances, the *gamma* energy dependence of the  $\Gamma[Res \rightarrow \gamma X]$ , and  $D\bar{D}$  contributions of decay of  $Res \rightarrow \gamma X$ , we can estimate the resonance contributions. With  $X(3872)$  considered as  $2P$  states, the largest decay widths are  $\psi(4040)$  and  $\psi(4160)$ , which are considered as the mixing of  $\psi(3S)$  and  $\psi(2D)$  [97, 98]. The  $\Gamma[Res \rightarrow \gamma X]$  for other states will be less than 1 keV [98], and  $\Gamma_{tot} \sim 100$  MeV,  $\Gamma[Res \rightarrow e^+e^-] \sim 1$  keV. Hence, we ignore the contributions from other resonances. With the parameters for  $\psi(4040)$  and  $\psi(4160)$ [24, 98]:

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma[\psi(4040) \rightarrow e^+e^-] &= 0.87 \text{ keV} & \Gamma[\psi(4040) \rightarrow \gamma X] &= 40 \text{ keV} & \Gamma_{tot}[\psi(4040)] &= 80 \text{ MeV} \\ \Gamma[\psi(4160) \rightarrow e^+e^-] &= 0.83 \text{ keV} & \Gamma[\psi(4160) \rightarrow \gamma X] &= 140 \text{ keV} & \Gamma_{tot}[\psi(4160)] &= 103 \text{ MeV} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we can determine the contributions of these parameters to  $X(3872)\gamma \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+\pi^-\gamma$

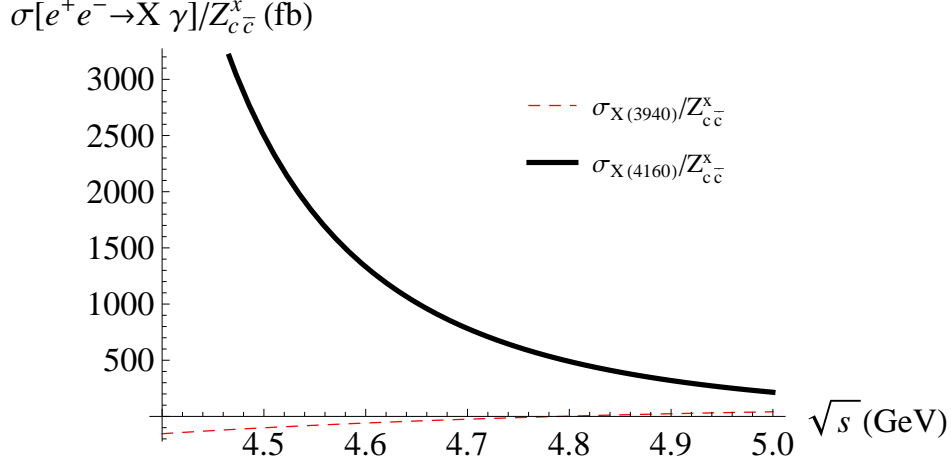
$$\begin{aligned} (\sigma_{\psi(4040)}[4.23] + \sigma_{\psi(4160)}[4.23]) \times k &= (62 \pm 14)fb \\ (\sigma_{\psi(4040)}[4.26] + \sigma_{\psi(4160)}[4.26]) \times k &= (37 \pm 8)fb \end{aligned} \quad (4.4)$$

If we considered the interference, the result would be more complex. On the other hand, we have calculated the quark-level intermediate states, which do not clearly deal with the hadron-level intermediate states.

#### 4.2 $X(3940)$ and $X(4160)$

$X(3940)$  and  $X(4160)$  are observed in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow J/\psi(D\bar{D})$  at B factories [43].  $\eta_c$  and  $\chi_{c0}$  are recoiled with  $J/\psi$ , but  $\chi_{c1}$  and  $\chi_{c2}$  are missed[43]. The theoretical predictions are consistent with the experimental data[61, 69, 99, 100]. So there should be large  $\eta_c(nS)$  and  $\chi_{c0}(nP)$  component in  $X(3940)$  and  $X(4160)$ , respectively. The mass of  $\eta_c(3S)$  and  $\chi_{c0}(3P)$  are predicted as 3994 MeV and 4130 MeV respectively[17]. Compared with Table 2 and Table

3, we can found that the cross-sections of  $\eta_c(3S)$  is small even negative at  $\sqrt{s} < 5$  GeV. But  $\chi_{c0}(3P)$  is large. The cross-sections as a function of  $\sqrt{s}$  is shown in Fig 7. Here  $Z_{c\bar{c}}^X \leq 1$  is the possibility of  $\eta_c(3S)$  and  $\chi_{c0}(3P)$  component in  $X(3940)$  and  $X(4160)$  respectively. The BESIII collaboration can search  $X(3940)$  and  $X(4160)$  in the process  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma + X(D\bar{D})$ . The result may be useful in identifying the nature of  $X(3940)$  and  $X(4160)$ .



**Figure 7.** The cross-sections of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow X(3940)(X(4160)) + \gamma$  as a function of  $\sqrt{s}$  in fb.

### 4.3 $X(4350)$

$X(4350)$  are found in  $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow H \rightarrow \phi J/\psi$  at B factories [45]. And  $J^{PC}$  is  $0^{++}$  or  $2^{++}$ . So there should be large  $\chi_{c0}(nP)$  or  $\chi_{c2}(nP)$  component in  $X(4350)$ . In Ref.[17], The mass of  $\chi_{c2}(3P)$  is 4208 MeV. Ignore more detail of the mass, we considered it as  $\chi_{c0}(nS)$  or  $\chi_{c2}(nP)$ , the wave function at origin are estimated as

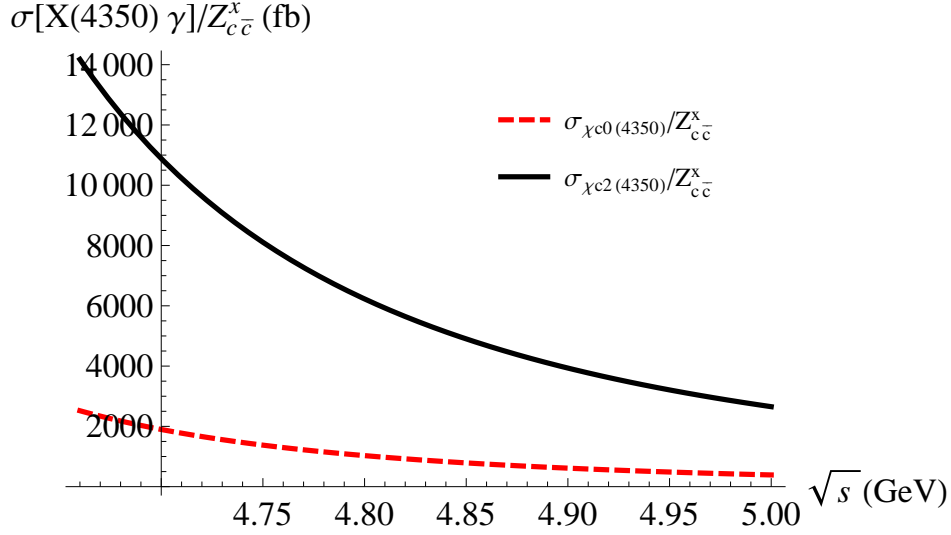
$$R' = R'_{3P} = (R'_{1P} + R'_{2P})/2 = 0.159\text{GeV}^5, \quad (4.5)$$

The cross-sections of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow X(4350) + \gamma$  as a function of  $\sqrt{s}$  is show in Fig.8. Here  $Z_{c\bar{c}}^X$  is the possibility of  $\chi_{c0}(nP)$  or  $\chi_{c2}(nP)$  component in  $X(4350)$ . The cross-section for  $\chi_{c2}(nP)$  is larger than  $\chi_{c0}(nP)$  by a factor of 6. The result may be useful in identifying the nature of  $X(4350)$ .

## 5 Summary and discussion

While BESIII and Belle have collected a large amount of data, some final states may be searched by the experimentalists. We can estimate the possible event number at BESIII and Belle. The possible event number is

$$N = \sigma[e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma + c\bar{c}[n]] \times Z_{c\bar{c}}^H \times Br \times \mathcal{L} \times \epsilon, \quad (5.1)$$



**Figure 8.** The cross-sections of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow X(4350) + \gamma$  as a function of  $\sqrt{s}$  in fb. The cross-section " $\sigma_{LO}$ ", " $\sigma_{v^2}$ ", " $\sigma_{\alpha_s}$ ", and " $\sigma_{\alpha_s, v^2}$ " are defined near the end of Section 2. And  $Z_{cc}^X$  is the possibility of  $\chi_{c0}(nP)$  or  $\chi_{c2}(nP)$  component in  $X(4350)$ .

where  $\epsilon$  is the efficiency of detectors selected as 20%,  $Br$  is the branch ratio of  $H$  to the decay mode, and  $\mathcal{L}$  is the luminosity. The result is listed in Table 7.

**Table 7.** The possible event number of  $C = +$  charmonium and  $XYZ$  states through  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma + H$  at BESIII and Belle. The efficiency of detectors are selected as 20%. The integrated luminosity is  $1.0fb^{-1}@4.23$  GeV,  $1.0fb^{-1}@4.26$  GeV,  $0.5fb^{-1}@4.66$  GeV, and  $1ab^{-1}@10.6$  GeV. The decay mode of  $nK m\pi$  corresponds to  $D\bar{D}$  decay, and the branch ratio is estimated as 1%.

H	Decay	$Br$	$Z_{cc}^H$	4.23	4.26	4.66	10.6
$\eta_c$	$K\bar{K}\pi$	7.2%	1	9	9	5	1012
$\chi_{c0}$	$2\pi^+2\pi^-$	2.2%	1	2	2		6
$\chi_{c1}$	$\gamma l^+l^- (\gamma J/\psi)$	4.1%	1	29	27	5	101
$\chi_{c2}$	$\gamma l^+l^- (\gamma J/\psi)$	2.3%	1	23	20	3	10
$\eta_{c2}(1D)$	$\gamma\gamma K\bar{K}\pi$	1.5%	1				2
$\eta_c(2S)$	$K\bar{K}\pi$	1.9%	1				123
$X(3872)(\chi_{c1}(2P))$	$\pi^+\pi^-l^+l^- (\pi^+\pi^- J/\psi)$	0.6%	0.36	6	5	1	6
$X(3915)(\chi_{c0}(2P))$	$\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0l^+l^- (\omega J/\psi)$	1%	1	9	8		2
$Z(3930)(\chi_{c2}(2P))$	$nK m\pi(D\bar{D})$	1%	1	57	46	4	6
$X(3940)(\eta_c(3S))$	$nK m\pi(D\bar{D})$	1%	1				48

As a summary, we study the production of  $C = +$  charmonium states  $H$  in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma + H$  at BESIII with  $H = \eta_c(nS)$  ( $n=1, 2, 3$ , and 4),  $\chi_{cJ}(nP)$  ( $n=1, 2$ , and 3), and  $^1D_2(nD)$  ( $n=1$  and 2) within the framework of NRQCD. The radiative and relativistic corrections are

calculated to next-to-leading order for  $S$  and  $P$  wave states. We then argue that the search for  $C = + XYZ$  states such as  $X(3872)$ ,  $X(3940)$ ,  $X(4160)$ , and  $X(4350)$  in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma + H$  at BESIII may help clarify the nature of these states. BESIII can search  $XYZ$  states through two body process  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma H$ , where  $H$  decay to  $J/\psi\pi^+\pi^-$ ,  $J/\psi\phi$ , or  $D\bar{D}$ . This result may be useful in identifying the nature of  $C = + XYZ$  states. For completeness, the production of  $C = +$  charmonium in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma + H$  at B factories is also discussed.

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