

Observation of New Narrow D_s states.

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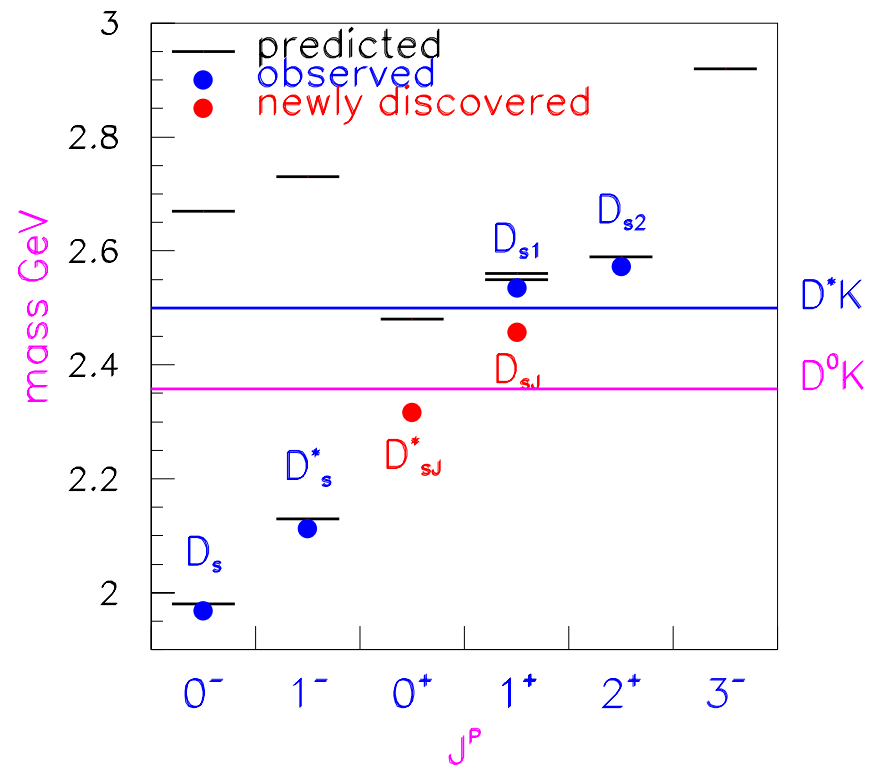
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(Charge conjugation is implied through all this work.)

Introduction.

- The expected spectrum of the $c\bar{s}$ D_s mesons still contains empty slots.
- For example, the Godfrey-Isgur-Kokoski potential model predicts the $J^P = 0^+$ member at a mass of $2.48 \text{ GeV}/c^2$, with a width $270\text{--}990 \text{ MeV}$ decaying mainly to $D^0 K$. The large width would make it difficult to observe.
- The model also predicts two 1^+ states at masses of 2.55 and $2.56 \text{ GeV}/c^2$.

- Potential model expectations and experimental status for D_s mesons.
- Remarkably good agreement up to now.
- Exception: the newly discovered states at 2.317 and $2.457 \text{ GeV}/c^2$.



Data selection.

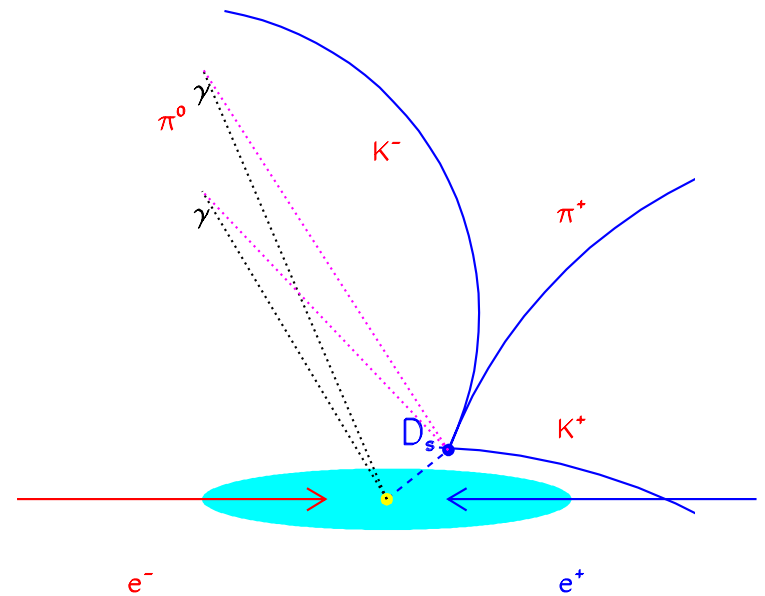
- Charm Analyses are performed on data selected from continuum $\bar{c}c$ production.

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow c\bar{c}$$

- In this work we search for resonances decaying to:

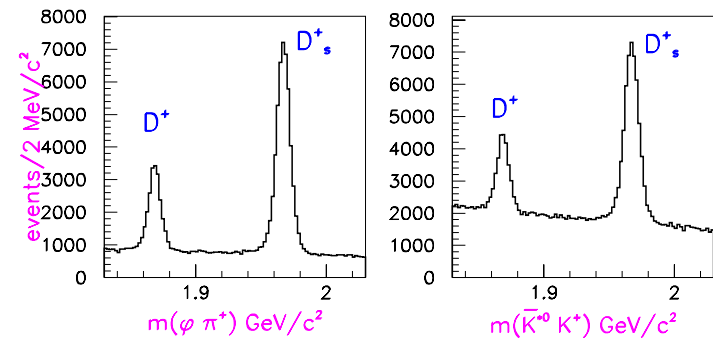
$$D_s^+\pi^0 \quad \text{and} \quad D_s^+\pi^0\gamma \quad \rightarrow \quad K^+K^-\pi^+\gamma\gamma(\gamma)$$

- Qualitative sketch, not to scale, of one event.
- Data sample: 91.5 fb^{-1} .

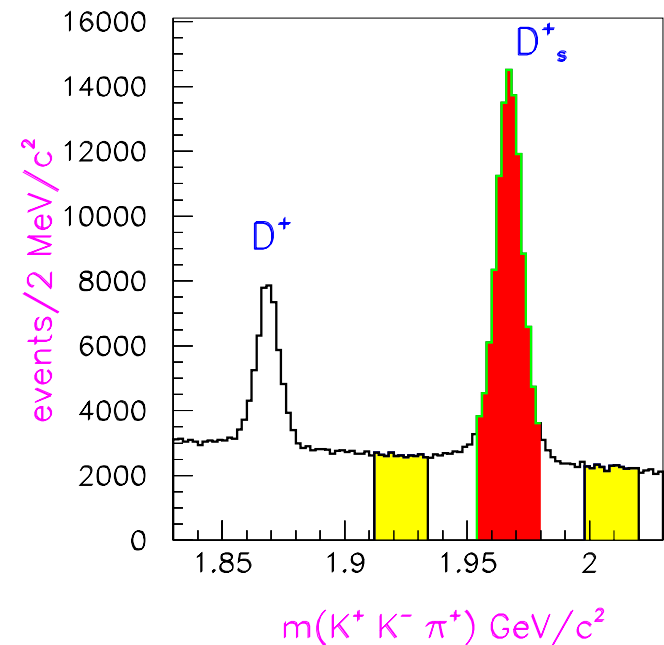


$K^+ K^- \pi^+$ mass spectrum.

- D_s^+ mesons are selected through the $\phi\pi^+$ and $\bar{K}^{*0}K^+$ decay modes.
- Require $|\cos\theta| > 0.5$ to enhance the D_s^+ signal (θ , helicity angle).
- Resulting $\phi\pi^+$ and $\bar{K}^{*0}K^+$ mass spectra:

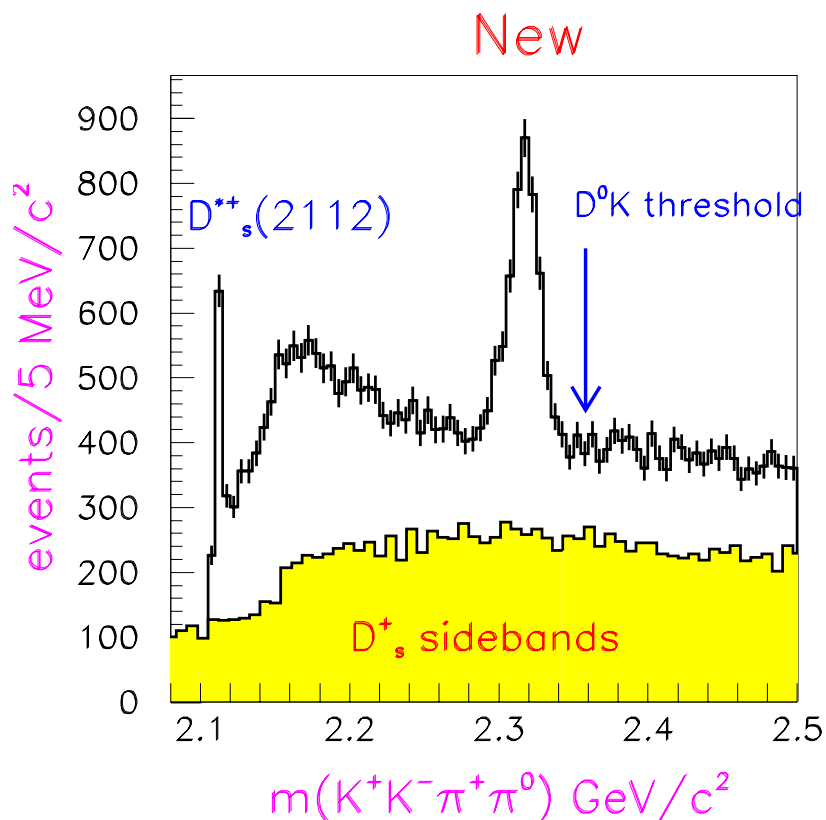


- The two samples have similar sizes.
- Sum of the $\phi\pi^+$ and $\bar{K}^{*0}K^+$ contributions ($\approx 80\,000$ D_s^+ events above background):



$D_s^+ \pi^0$ mass spectrum.

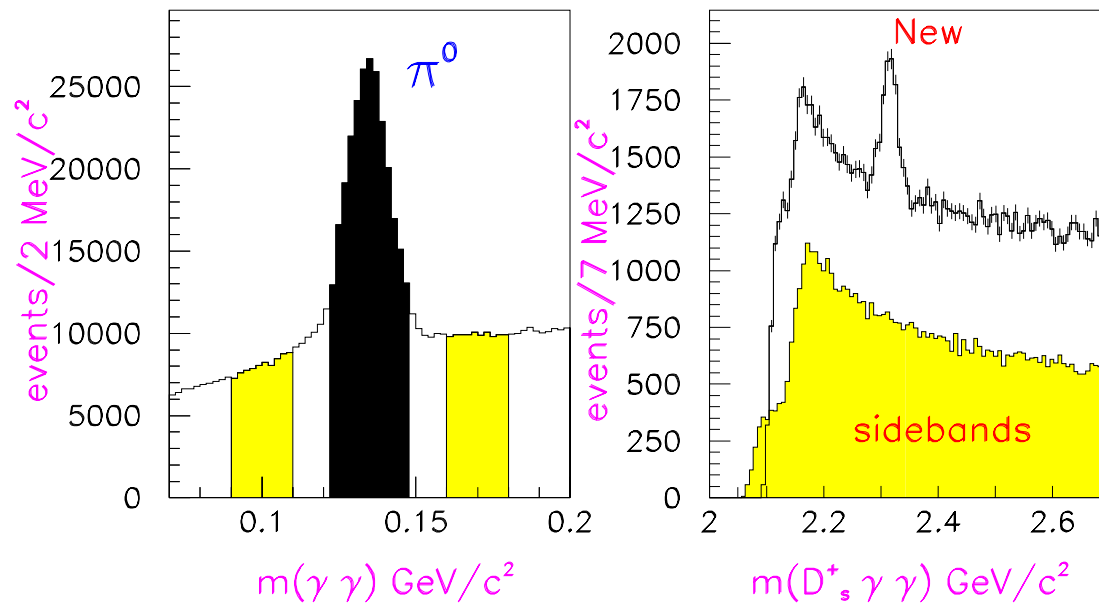
- Compare $(K^+ K^- \pi^+) \pi^0$ mass spectra for the D_s^+ signal region and sidebands.
- We observe the known decay: $D_s^{*+}(2112) \rightarrow D_s^+ \pi^0$.
- **Totally unexpected large signal (≈ 2200 events) at $2.32 \text{ GeV}/c^2$.**



- No signals for the D_s^+ sidebands.

$D_s^+ \gamma\gamma$ mass for π^0 signal and sidebands.

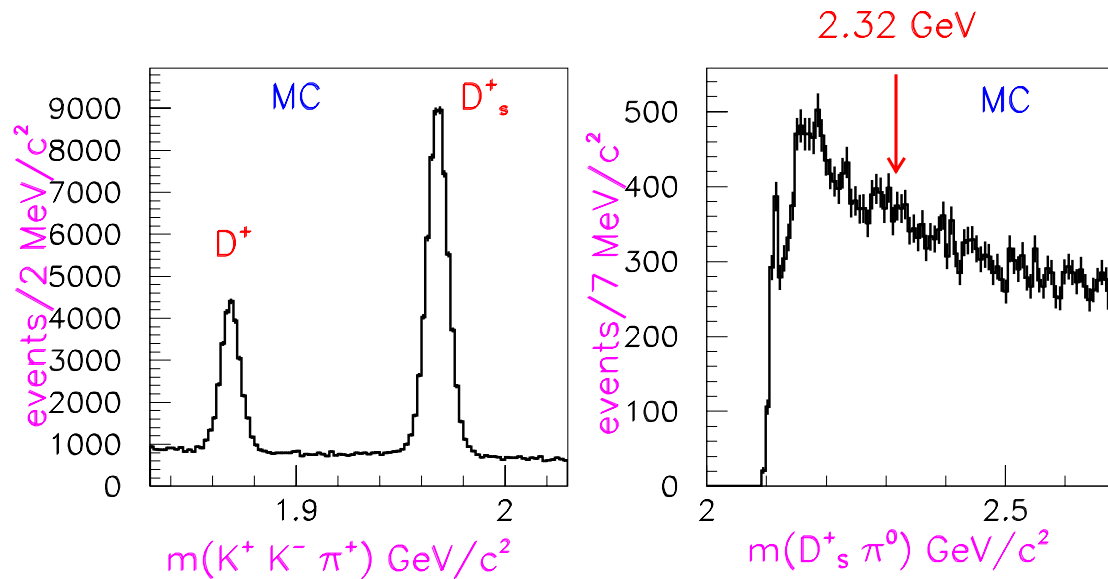
- Plot of the $\gamma\gamma$ effective mass defining π^0 signal and sideband regions.
- $D_s^+ \gamma\gamma$ mass spectrum for the π^0 signal region.
- We make no use of the fitted π^0 , use the 4-momentum of the γ pair.
- Same large signal at $2.32 \text{ GeV}/c^2$.
- $D_s^{*+}(2112)$ signal washed out because of “ π^0 ” resolution.



- π^0 sidebands: no signals.

Test for reflections using Monte Carlo simulation.

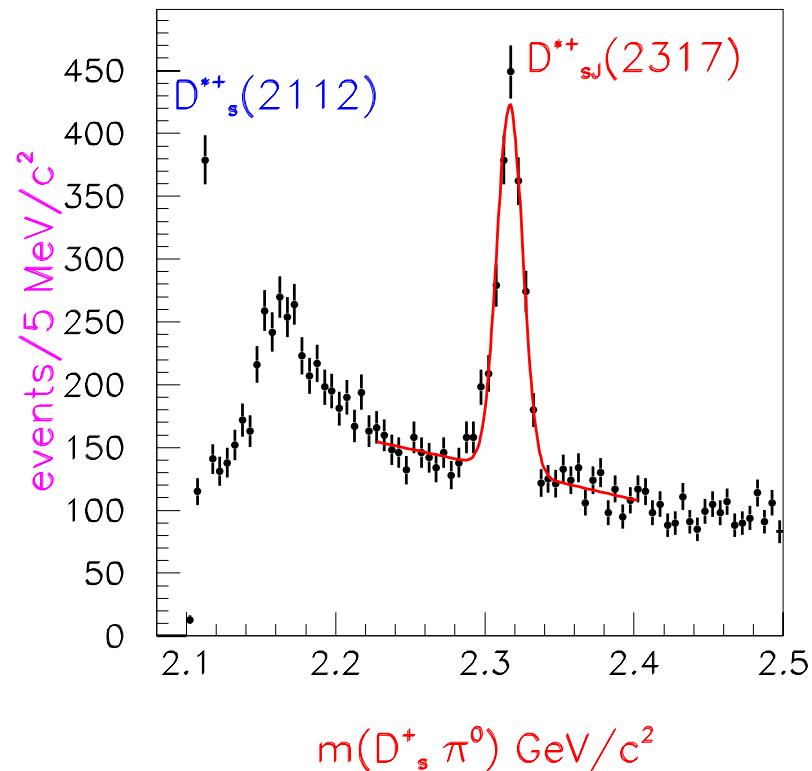
- Sum of $\phi\pi^+$ and $\bar{K}^{*0}K^+$ mass distributions and $D_s^+\pi^0$ mass spectrum.



- We observe the known decay: $D_s^{*+}(2112) \rightarrow D_s^+ \pi^0$.
- The $D_s^+ \pi^0$ mass spectrum shows no significant signal in the $2.32 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ mass region. We would expect ≈ 1400 events.
- We conclude that the $2.32 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ structure is not due to reflections from known states.

Fit to the $D_s^+ \pi^0$ mass spectrum in the 2.32 GeV/c^2 region.

- In order to select e^+e^- continuum events, require the $D_s^+ \pi^0$ center of mass momentum $p^* > 3.5 \text{ GeV}/c$.

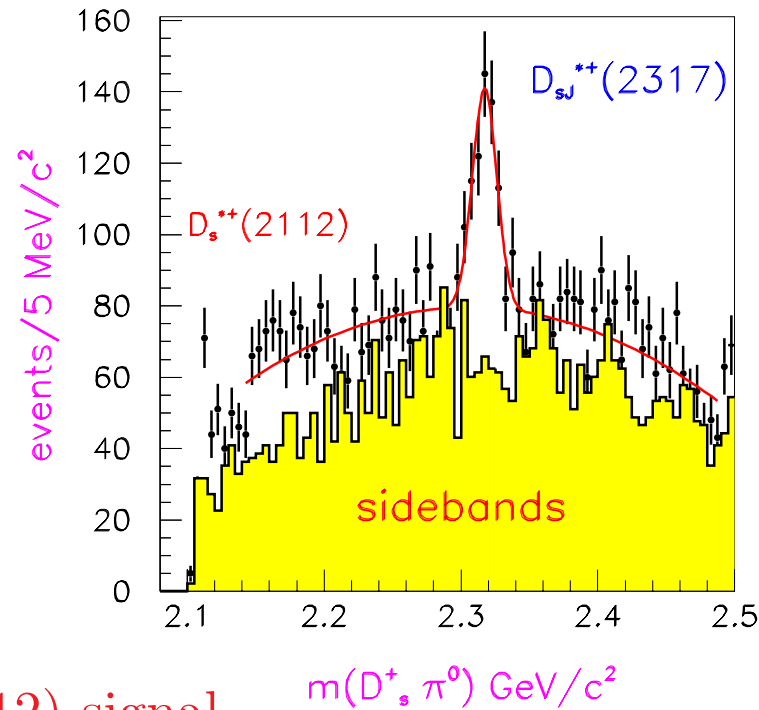


- Fit with a polynomial and a single Gaussian (statistical errors only).

$$m = 2316.8 \pm 0.4 \text{ MeV}/c^2 \quad \sigma = 8.6 \pm 0.4 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

The $D_s^+ \pi^0$ effective mass for $D_s^+ \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^0$.

- $D_s^+ \pi^0$ spectrum for the D_s^+ signal region and sidebands.



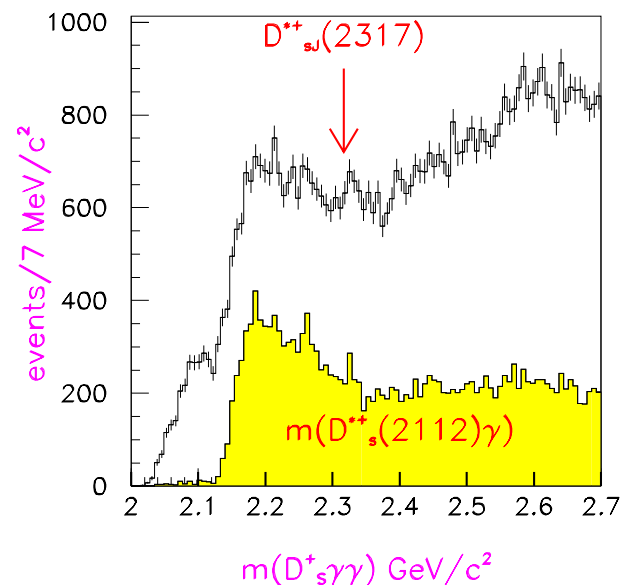
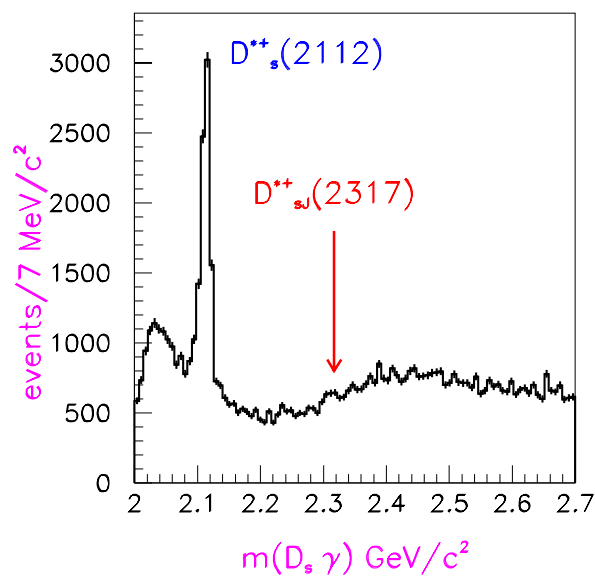
- There is a $D_s^{*+}(2112)$ signal.
- No signals for the D_s^+ sideband regions.
- There is a clear $D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317)$ signal with the following parameters:

$$m = 2317.6 \pm 1.3 \text{ MeV}/c^2 \quad \sigma = 8.8 \pm 1.1 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

- Consistent with the values obtained using the $D_s^+ \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^0$ decay mode.

Search for other $D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317)$ decay modes.

- Require that the γ is not part of any π^0 candidate.
- Require $p_{D_s\gamma}^* > 3.5$ and $p_{D_s\gamma\gamma}^* > 3.5$ GeV/c respectively.

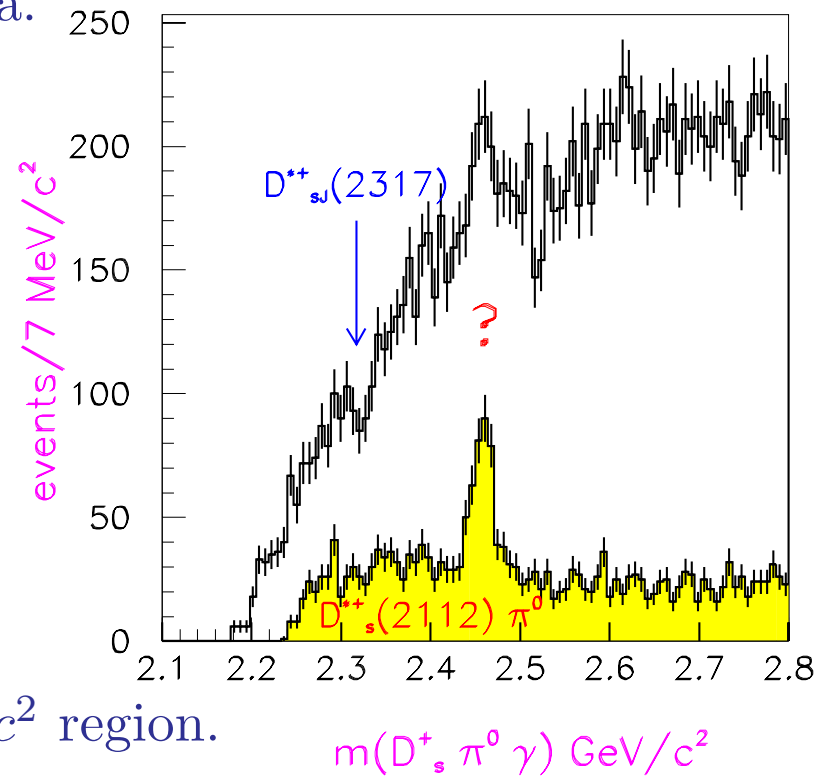


- At the present level of statistics.

- No significant $D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317)$ signal in the $D_s^+\gamma$ mass spectrum.
- No significant $D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317) \rightarrow D_s^+\gamma\gamma$ decay.
- No significant $D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317) \rightarrow D_s^{*+}(2112)\gamma$ decay.

Search for $D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317)$ decay to $D_s^+ \pi^0 \gamma$.

- Require $p_{D_s^+ \pi^0 \gamma}^* > 3.5 \text{ GeV}/c$.
- Require the π^0 lab. momentum $> 300 \text{ MeV}/c$.
- Neither γ from a π^0 can be part of any other π^0 .
- The bachelor γ cannot belong to any π^0 candidate.
- $D_s^+ \pi^0 \gamma$ and $D_s^{*+}(2112) \pi^0$ mass spectra.



- No significant signal in the 2.32 GeV/c² region.
- Possible structure at $\approx 2.46 \text{ GeV}/c^2$.

Could the $D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317)$ signal be due to the decay of a narrow state at $2.46 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ in $D_s^+ \pi^0 \gamma$?

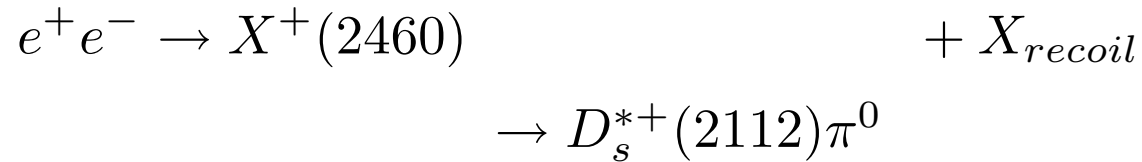
□ If we assume the existence of a narrow state, the $X^+(2460)$ which decays to $D_s^{*+}(2112)\pi^0$, the kinematic cross-over would result in a narrow signal in $m(D_s^+ \pi^0)$ near $2.32 \text{ GeV}/c^2$.

□ Two ways to test this hypothesis:

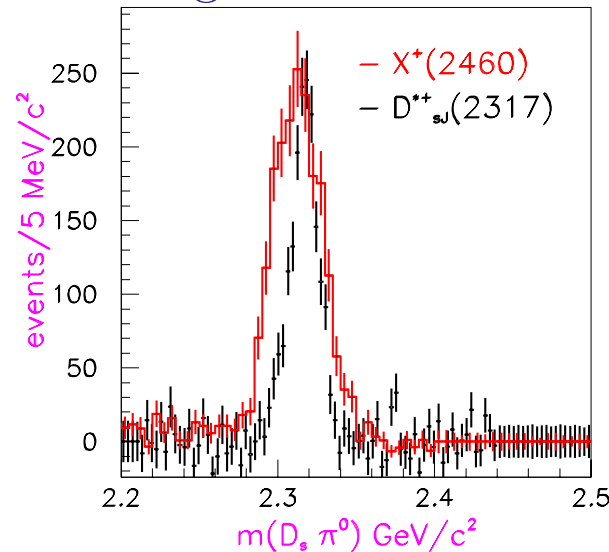
- The $D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317)$ lineshape.
- Comparison of the $D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317)/X^+(2460)$ relative rates for data and $X^+(2460)$ Monte Carlo simulation.

The $D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317)$ lineshape.

- Use of Monte Carlo simulation of:



- Comparison between the $X^+(2460)$ reflection from Monte Carlo and the $D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317)$ data signal after background subtraction.



- Conclusion: the $D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317)$ lineshape does not agree with that expected from $X^+(2460)$ reflection.

$D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317)/X^+(2460)$ ratio.

□ The second test is to compute the ratio $D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317)/X^+(2460)$ for data and Monte Carlo for $X^+(2460) \rightarrow D_s^{*+}(2112)\pi^0$ with no $D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317)$ generated.

□ For $p^* > 3.0$ GeV/c:

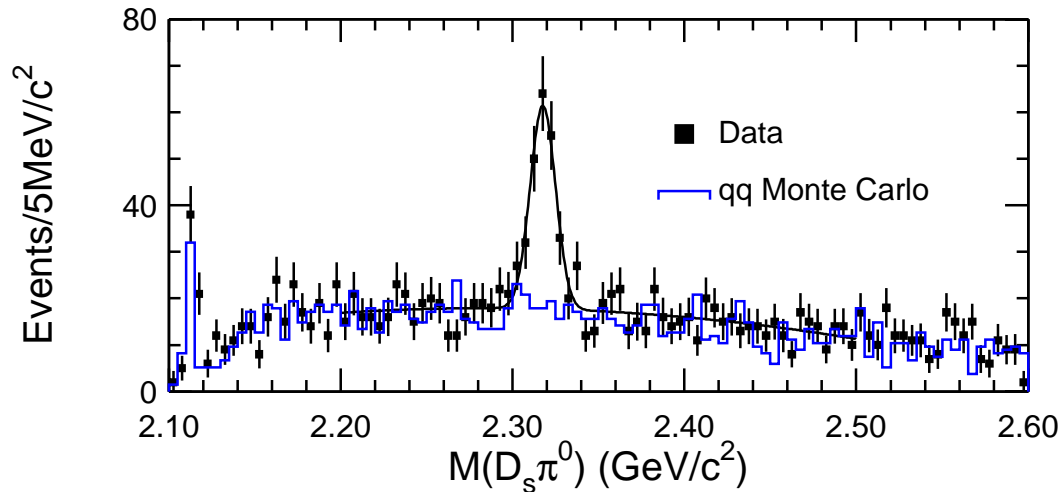
$$\frac{N(D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317))/N(X^+(2460))(Data)}{N(D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317))/N(X^+(2460))(MC)} = 5.4 \pm 0.3$$

□ In the data we find ≈ 5 times more $D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317)$ events than expected from a Monte Carlo simulation with only $X^+(2460)$ production.

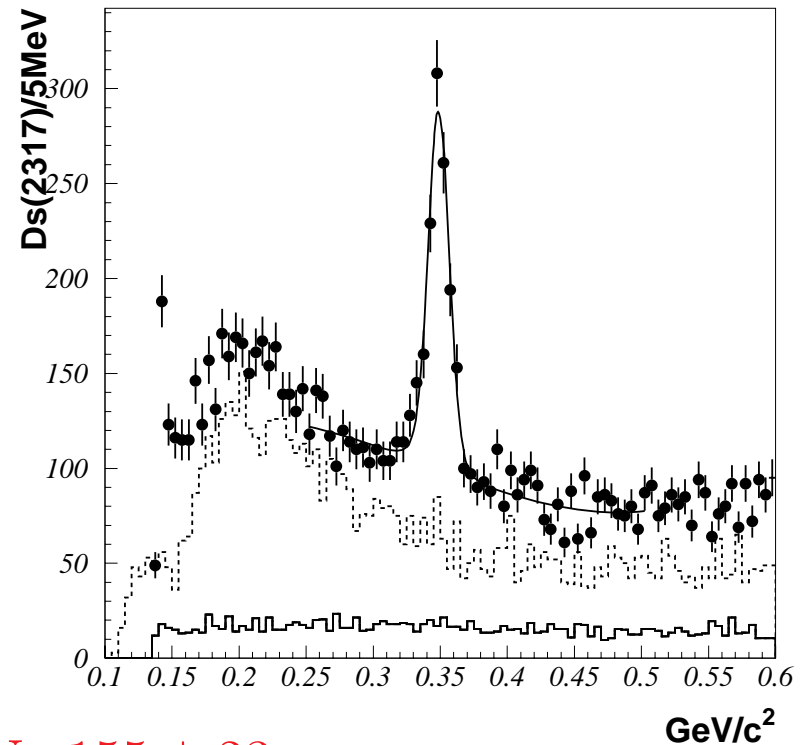
□ Conclusion: the relative rates disagree with the hypothesis that the $D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317)$ signal is due entirely to production of a state at ≈ 2.46 GeV/ c^2 which decays to $D_s^{*+}(2112)\pi^0$.

Confirmation of $D_{sJ}^+(2317)$ by other experiments.

CLEO 13.5 fb^{-1}



BELLE Preliminary 78 fb^{-1}



□ Confirmation by CLEO:

$\Delta m = 350.0 \pm 1.2 \text{ (stat)} \pm 1.0 \text{ (syst)} \text{ MeV}/c^2$, $N = 155 \pm 23$ hep-ex/0305017

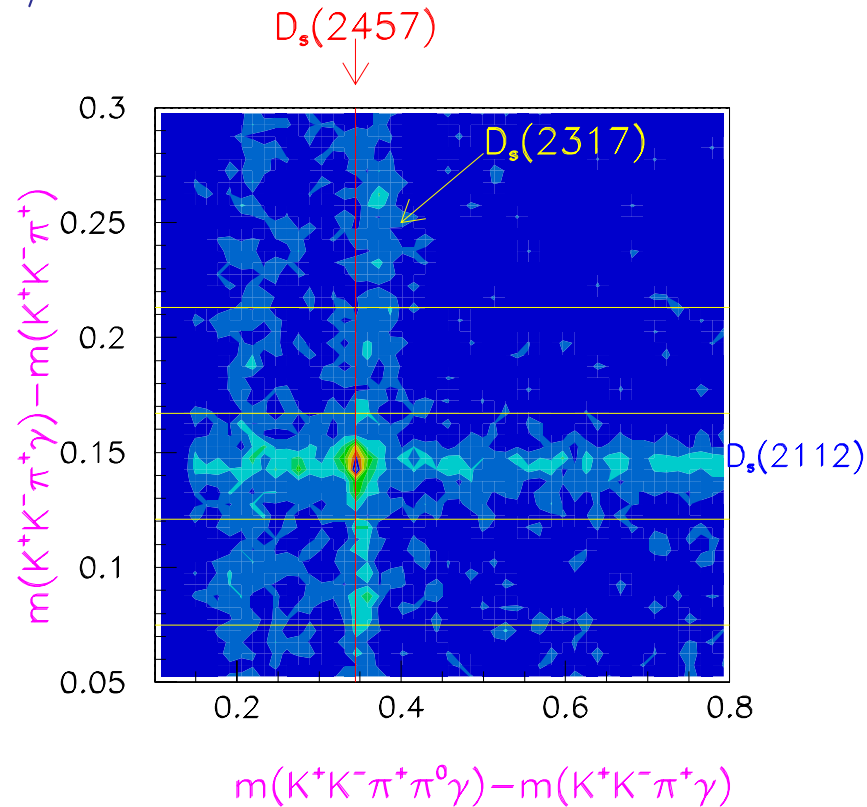
□ Confirmation by BELLE: $\Delta m = 348.9 \pm 0.5 \text{ (stat)} \text{ MeV}/c^2$, $N = 643 \pm 50$

□ In good agreement with BaBar (91.5 fb^{-1}):

$\Delta m = 348.4 \pm 0.4 \text{ (stat)} \text{ MeV}/c^2$, $N = 1948 \pm 104$.

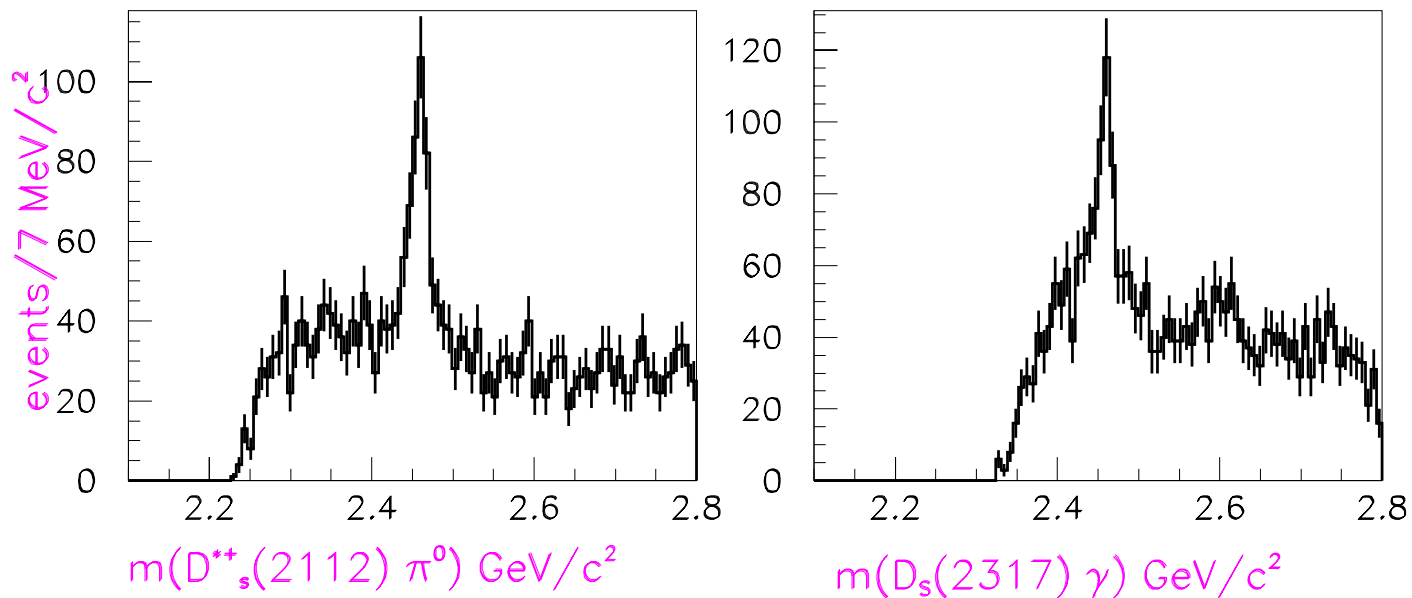
The 2.46 GeV/c² region of $m(D_s^+ \pi^0 \gamma)$: a new particle or an artifact of kinematics?

- In an inclusive environment, the scatter diagrams of $\Delta m(D_s^+ \gamma)$ vs $\Delta m(D_s^* \pi^0)$ exhibit bands due to $D_s^{*+}(2112)$ and $D_s^{*+}(2317)$ which cross near $m(D_s^+ \pi^0 \gamma) = 2.46$ GeV/c².



Mass distributions.

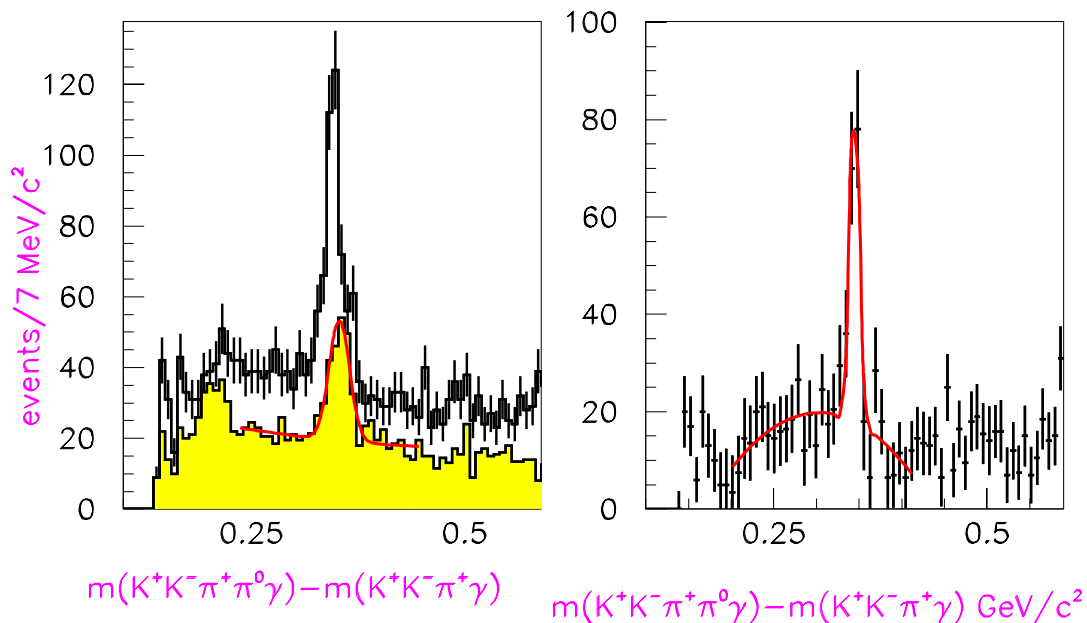
□ $D_s^{*+}(2112)\pi^0$ and $D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317)\gamma$ mass distributions.



□ Structures at ≈ 2.46 GeV/c² in both $D_s^{*+}(2112)\pi^0$ and $D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317)\gamma$. At this level, not possible to separate them.

Extraction of the $D_{sJ}^+(2457)$ signal.

- Subtract directly the sidebands in the Δm scatterplot (slide 17):



- Fitted parameters (preliminary, statistical errors only):

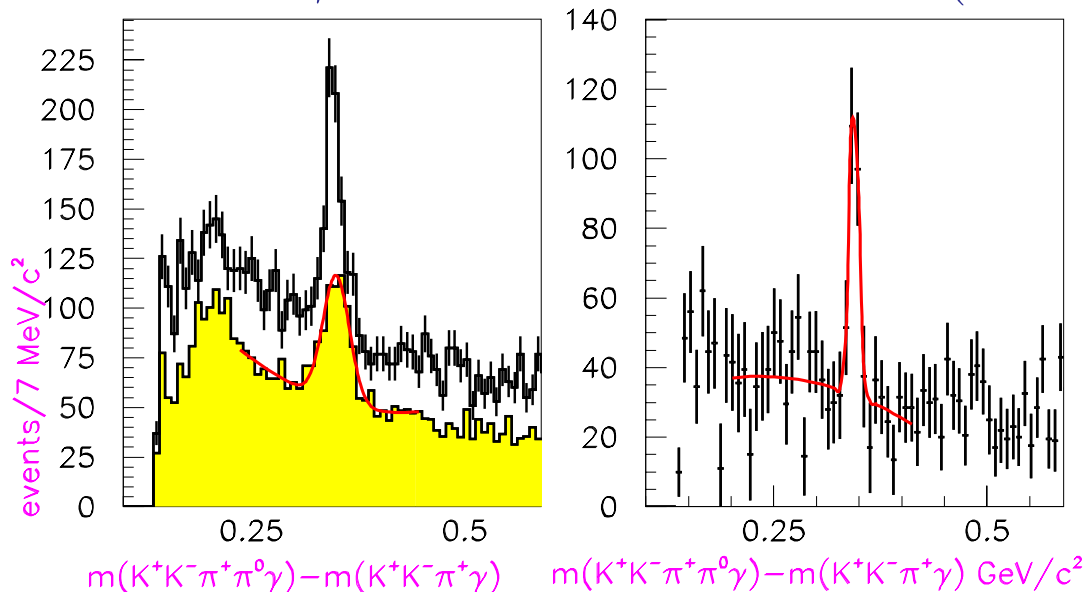
$$\Delta m(D_s^{*+}(2112)\pi^0) = 344.6 \pm 1.2 \quad \sigma = 5.5 \pm 1.4 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

- Events: $N = 140 \pm 22$

- Peaking background at $\Delta m = 353.1 \pm 2.2 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ ($\approx 50\%$ of the signal.)

Extraction of the $D_{sJ}^+(2457)$ signal.

- Relaxing the condition of γ 's not shared within π^0 's (like CLEO analysis):



- Signal parameters:

$$\Delta m = 344.2 \pm 0.9 \text{ MeV}/c^2 \quad \sigma = 5.3 \pm 1.2 \text{ MeV}$$

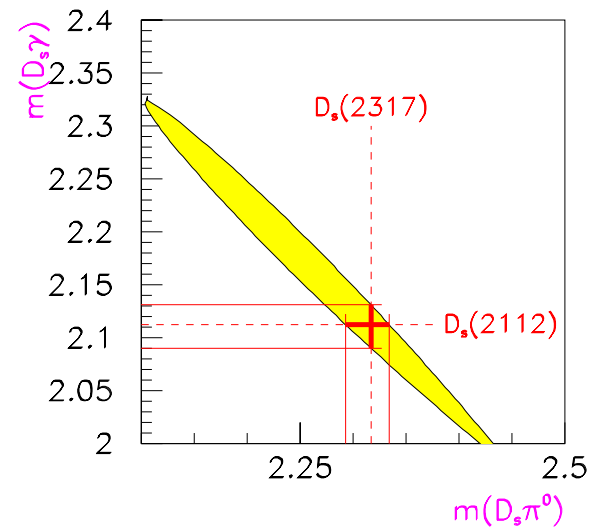
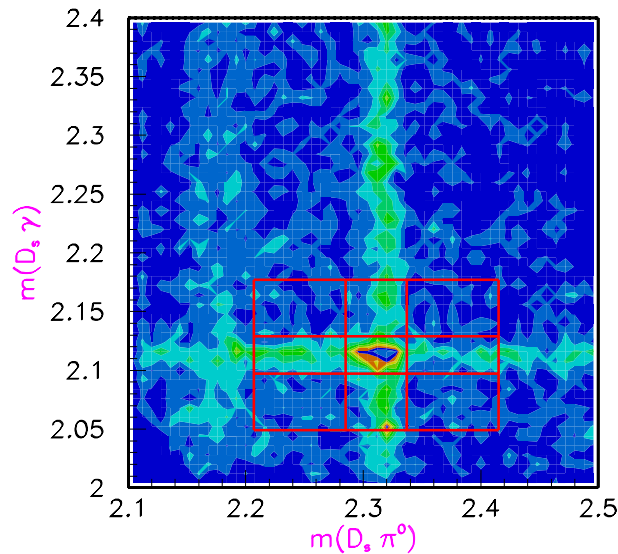
- Peaking background parameters:

$$\Delta m = 349.4 \pm 1.7 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

- $\approx 69\%$ of the signal is due to peaking background.

The method of the 9 tiles.

- Consider the $m(D_s^+ \gamma)$ vs. $m(D_s^+ \pi^0)$ scatter diagram:

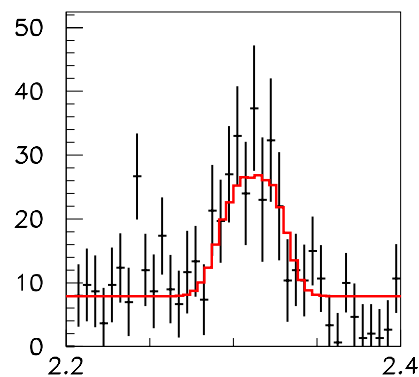


- Subtracting the adjacent tiles, the $D_{sJ}^+(2457)$ “Dalitz plot” projections on the two axes can be extracted.
- Predicted events from sidebands (assuming linear behavior): $N_p = 312 \pm 12$
- Observed events: $N_o = 472$
- Excess: $N_e = 160 \pm 25$. A better than 6σ effect.

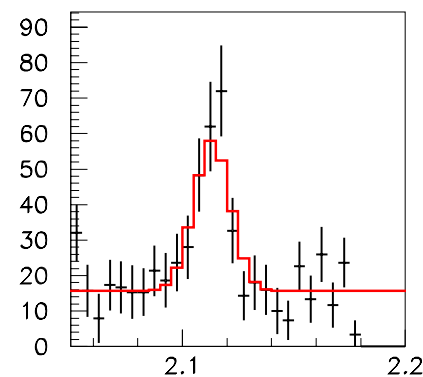
$D_{sJ}^+(2457)$ projections.

□ $D_{sJ}^+(2457)$ projections compared with Monte Carlo simulations for:

$$D_{sJ}^+(2457) \rightarrow D_s^{*+}(2112)\pi^0$$

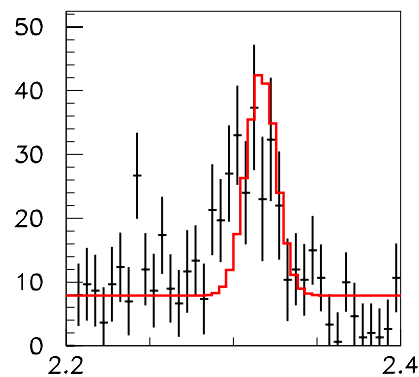


$m(D_s^+, \pi^0)$

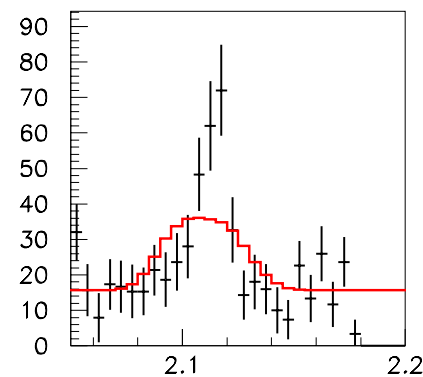


$m(D_s^+, \gamma)$

$$D_{sJ}^+(2457) \rightarrow D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317)\gamma$$



$m(D_s^+, \pi^0)$

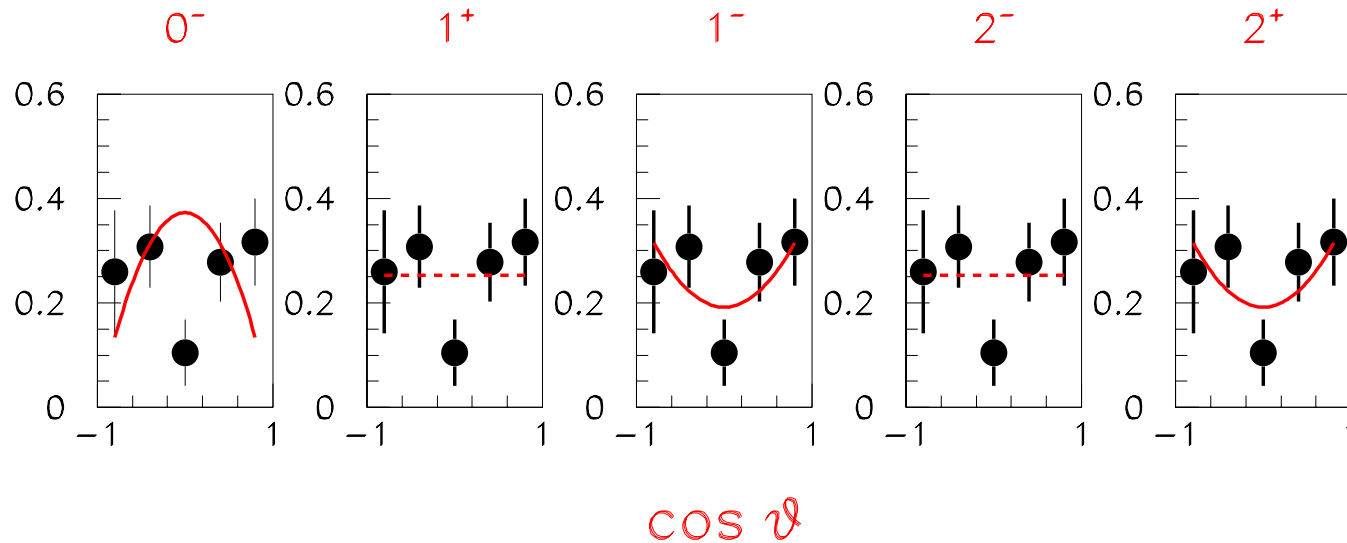


$m(D_s^+, \gamma)$

□ $D_{sJ}^+(2457) \rightarrow D_s^{*+}(2112)\pi^0$ decay clearly favoured.

Angular analysis.

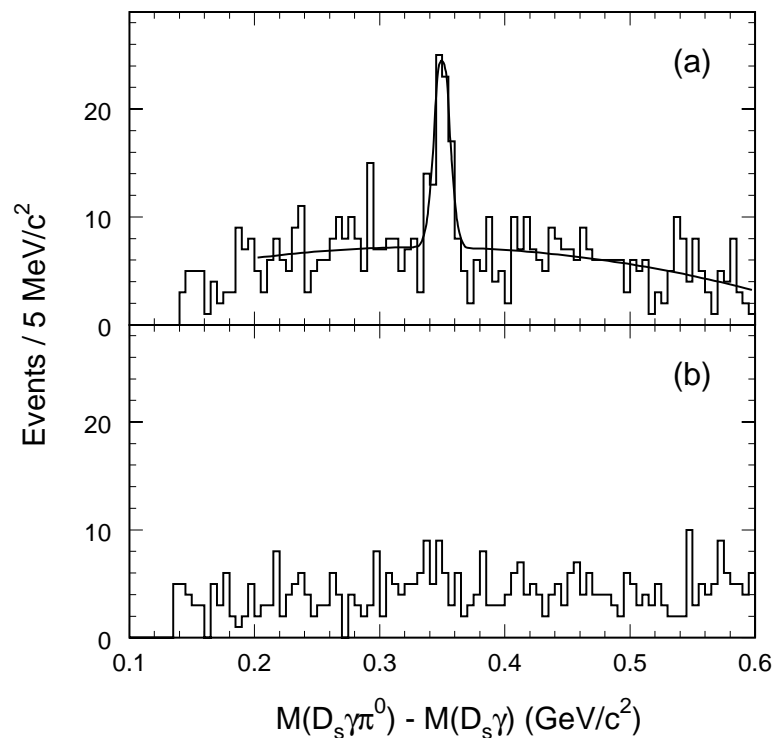
□ Distribution of the helicity angle θ of the γ with respect to the $D_s^{*+}(2112)$ direction in the $D_{sJ}^+(2457)$ rest frame (preliminary).



□ Inconsistent with $J^P = 0^-$.

$D_{sJ}^+(2457)$: results from other experiments.

CLEO 13.5 fb^{-1}

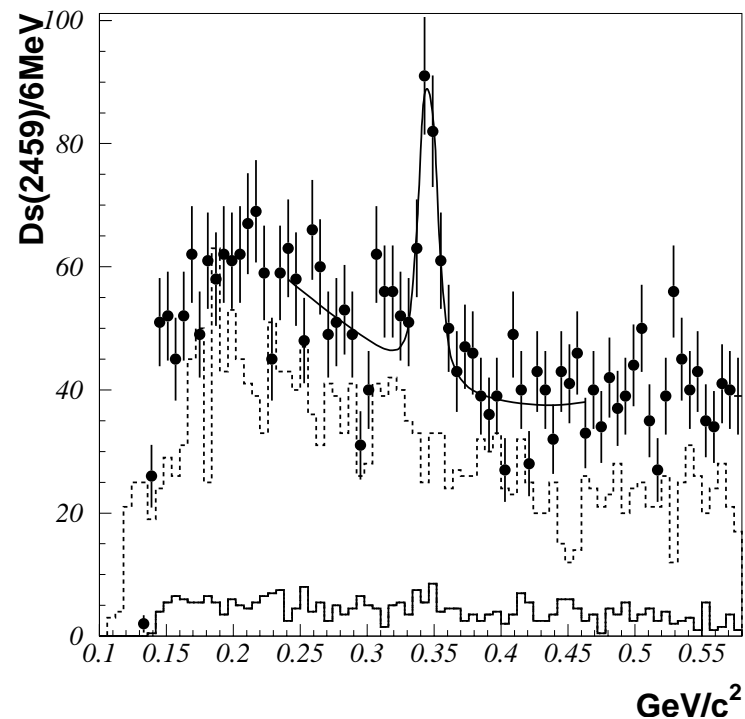


$$\Delta m = 351.0 \pm 1.7 \pm 1.0 \text{ MeV/c}^2$$

$$N = 41 \pm 12$$

No peaking background

BELLE preliminary 78 fb^{-1}



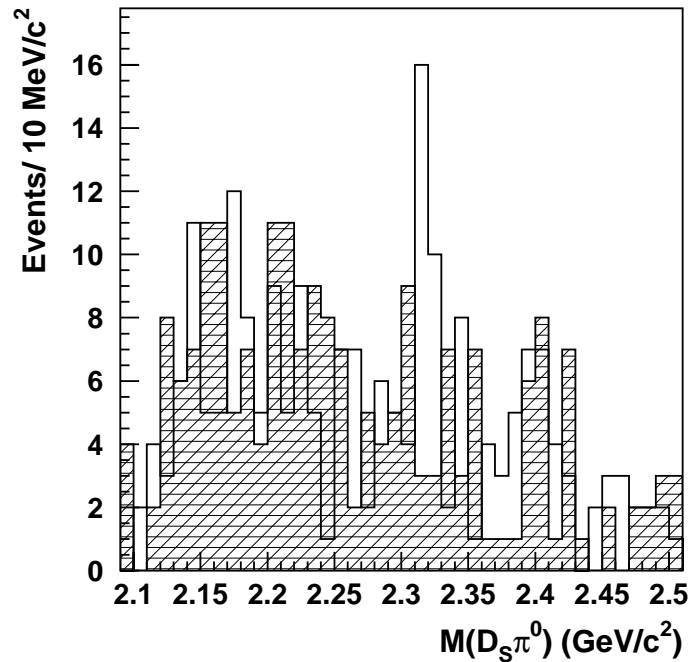
$$\Delta m = 345.4 \pm 1.3 \text{ MeV/c}^2$$

$$N = 79 \pm 18$$

B decays from BELLE.

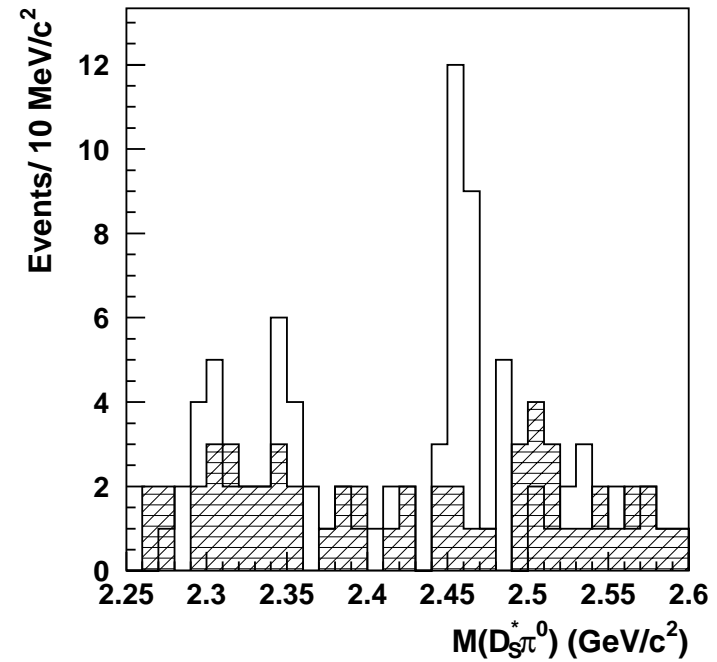
□ Evidence for:

$$B \rightarrow DD_s^* J^+(2317)$$



$$m = 2318 \pm 4 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$
$$N = 18.6^{+5.4}_{-4.8}$$

$$B \rightarrow DD_s^+ J^+(2457)$$

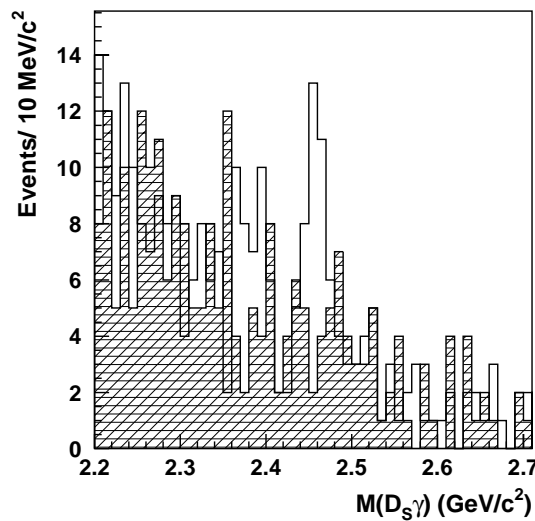


$$m = 2460 \pm 3 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$
$$N = 16.7^{+7.0}_{-6.0}$$

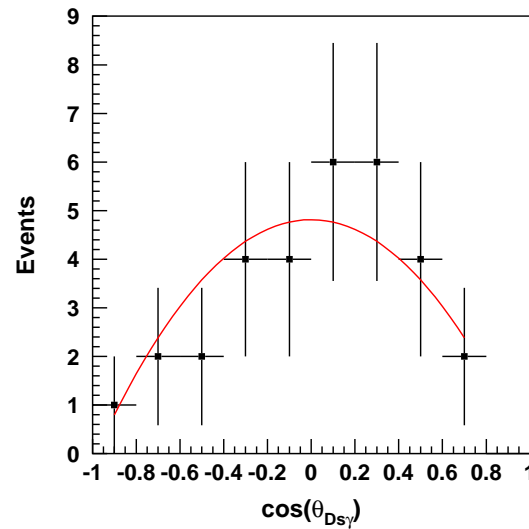
$D_{sJ}^+(2457) \rightarrow D_s^+ \gamma$ from BELLE.

□ From both B decays and continuum (preliminary):

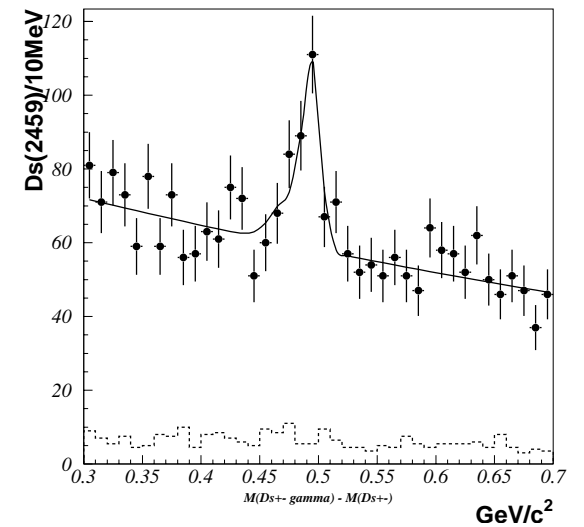
$B \rightarrow DD_{sJ}^+(2457)$



$m = 2460 \pm 2 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ Consistent with $J = 1$
 $N = 21.8^{+5.8}_{-5.1}$



$c\bar{c} \rightarrow D_{sJ}^+(2457) X$

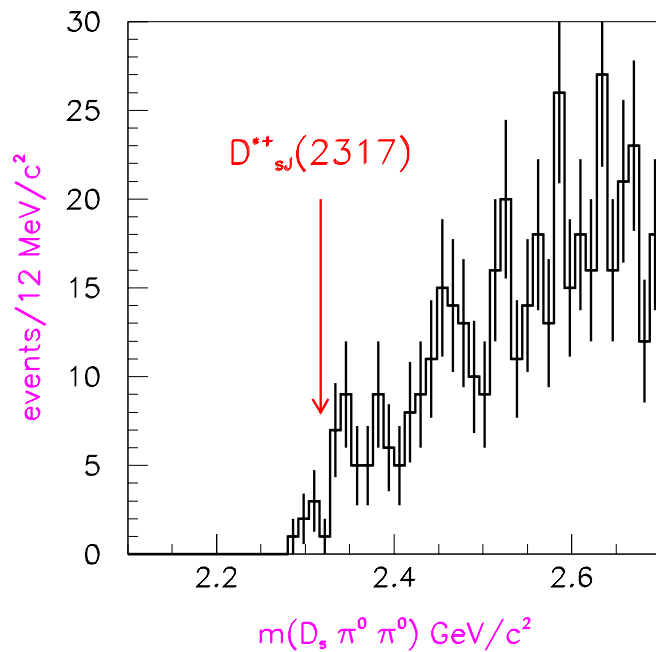


$N = 128 \pm 20$

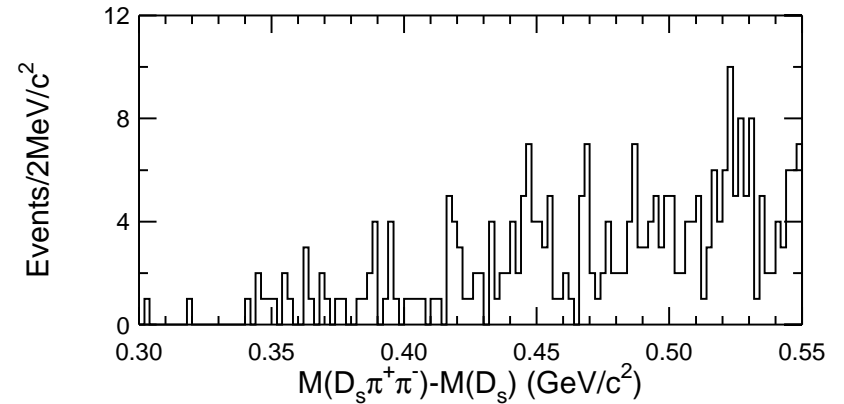
□ Evidence for $D_{sJ}^+(2457) \rightarrow D_s^+ \gamma$: $J = 0$ excluded.

Search for structure in $D_s^+ \pi \pi$.

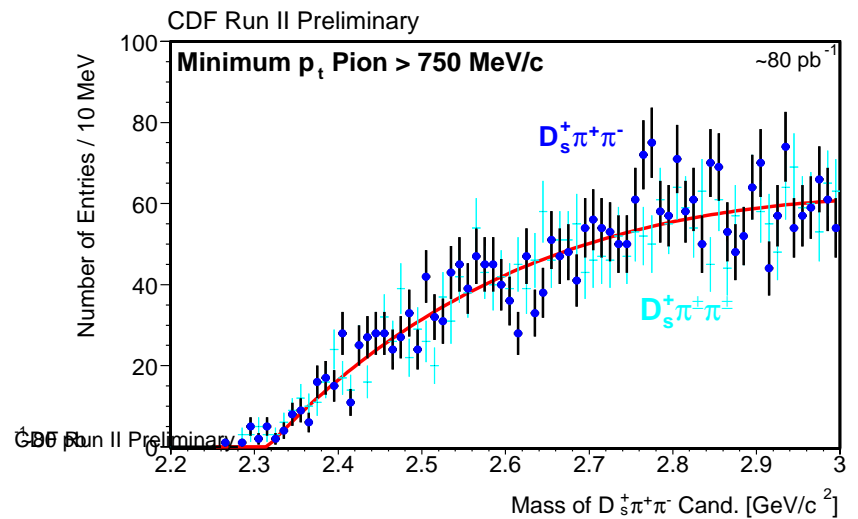
BABAR $D^0 \pi^0 \pi^0$



CLEO $D^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$



CDF II $D^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$



□ No structures seen in $D_s^+ \pi \pi$.

Experimental Summary ($D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317)$).

□ A large (≈ 2200 events), narrow signal has been discovered by BaBar experiment in the inclusively-produced $D_s^+ \pi^0$ mass distribution for the D_s^+ decay modes:

$$D_s^+ \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^+, \quad D_s^+ \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^0$$

□ The fitted mass value is:

$$m = 2316.8 \pm 0.4 \text{ MeV}/c^2 \quad (\textit{statistical error only})$$

□ The measured width is consistent with the experimental resolution, which implies a small intrinsic width ($\Gamma < 10 \text{ MeV}$).

□ The structure is not observed in the $D_s^+ \gamma$, $D_s^+ \gamma \gamma$, $D_s^{*+}(2112) \gamma$, $D_s^+ \pi^0 \pi^0$, $D_s^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$ nor $D_s^+ \pi^0 \gamma$ mass distributions.

□ The quantum numbers are consistent with being $J^P = 0^+$, but other natural spin-parity assignments cannot be excluded.

□ This observation has been confirmed by CLEO in continuum and by BELLE in both continuum and B decays.

Experimental Summary ($D_{sJ}^+(2457)$).

□ BaBar has first shown evidence of structure in the $D_s^+\pi^0\gamma$ mass distribution at ≈ 2.46 GeV/ c^2 . “However, the complexity of the overlapping kinematics of the $D_s^{*+}(2112) \rightarrow D_s^+\gamma$ and $D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317) \rightarrow D_s^+\pi^0$ requires more detailed study ... in order to arrive at a definitive conclusion.” Phys.Rev.Lett. 90 (2003) 242001

□ CLEO experiment observes $D_s^+(2463)$ state (hep-ex/0305100)

□ Confirmed by Belle, including $D_s^+\gamma$ decay mode

□ The preliminary analysis reported here by the BaBar experiment reports the observation of a state at 2.457 GeV/ c^2 decaying to $D_s^{*+}(2112)\pi^0$. The parameters of this state are the following (statistical errors only):

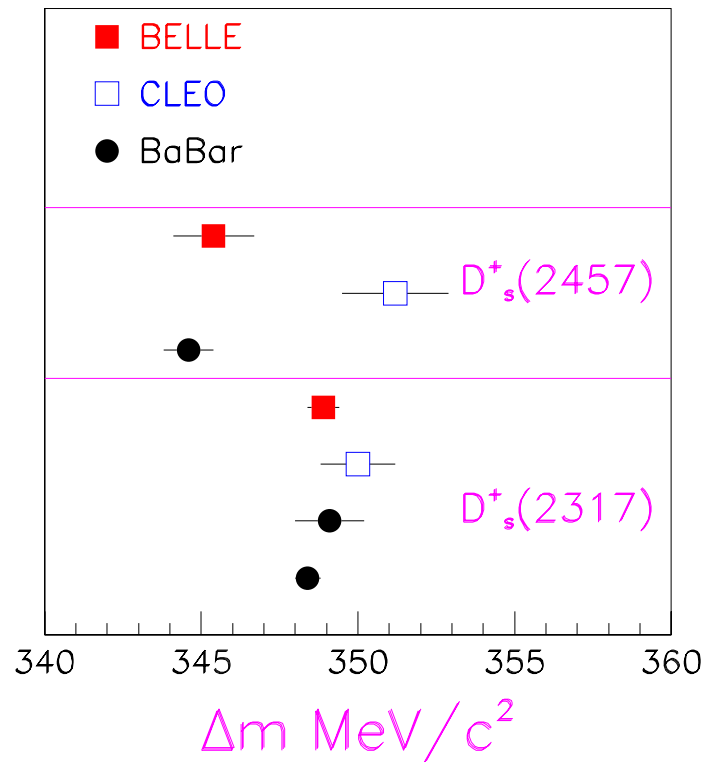
$$\Delta m = 344.6 \pm 0.8, \quad \sigma = 7.0 \pm 1.5 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$m(D_{sJ}^+(2457)) = 2.457 \pm 0.001 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

□ The width is consistent with experimental resolution.

Experimental Summary.

- Comparison of Δm from BELLE, CLEO, and BaBar:



- The spin analyses support the possibility that $D_{sJ}^+(2457)$ has $J^P = 1^+$.
- This is also supported by the BELLE observation of $D_{sJ}^+(2457) \rightarrow D_s^+ \gamma$ which rules out all J^P except 1^- or 1^+

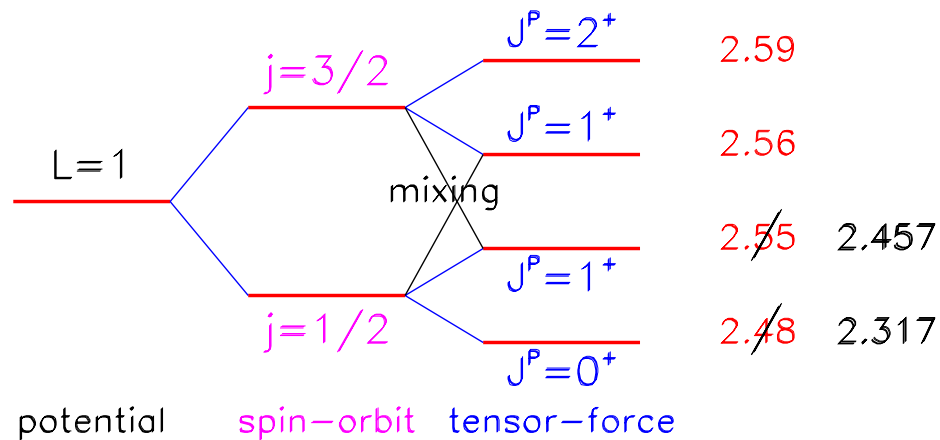
Experimental Summary.

- The mass of the $D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317)$ is 40 MeV/ c^2 below $D^0 K$ threshold.
- The mass of the $D_{sJ}^+(2457)$ is 44 MeV/ c^2 below $D^{0*} K$ threshold.
- If the isospin of these states is $I=0$, since the $D_s^+ \pi^0$ and $D_s^{*+} \pi^0$ systems have isospin $I=1$, these decays violate isospin conservation. This would explain the small widths.
- In this case it is possible that this isospin violating decay proceeds via $\eta - \pi^0$ mixing, as proposed by Cho and Wise. *Phys.Rev.* D49 (1994) 6228.

What can these states be?

□ Potential Models before $D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317)$ predicted masses too high.

S. Godfrey and N. Isgur, Phys. Rev. D32 (1985) 189, S. Godfrey and R. Kokoski, Phys. Rev. D43 (1991) 1679.



□ After discovery of $D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317)$ a class of potential models has some difficulty fitting all states and getting decay patterns right.

R. Cahn and J. Jackson, hep-ph/0305012, S. Godfrey, hep-ph/0305012, P. Colangelo and F. De Fazio, hep-ph/0305140.

□ Perhaps with new potentials all charm, non-charm mesons can be fit.

□ Also QCD Lattice calculations are in trouble: the mass for a scalar $c\bar{s}$ is expected to be higher than that measured.

G. Bali, hep-ph/0305209.

□ Chiral symmetry models predict observed pattern: splitting of $D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317)$ and $D_{sJ}^+(2457)$ is about the same as $D_s^+(1969) - D_s^{*+}(2112)$. Predict many decay modes, including radiative decay of $D_{sJ}^+(2457)$.

W. Bardeen et al., hep-ph/0305049.

What can these states be?

□ Four-quark states or molecules:

T.Barnes, F. Close, H. Lipkin (hep-ph/0305025), Cheng and Hou hep-ph/0305038, K. Terasaki hep-ph/0305213, A. Szczepaniak hep-ph/0305060

□ Ordinary $c\bar{s}$ states still there to be found.

□ Expect in this case a large variety of new states with $I=0$ and $I=1$.

How can we decide?

□ Measure radiative decays.

□ Measure transitions with di-pion emission.

□ Find still more states.

□ Look for other charge states.

Conclusions and Outlook.

- The BaBar discovery of a narrow D_s^+ state has opened a new window in particle physics.
- This, and related discoveries, will have a large impact on the theory of charmed and beauty meson spectroscopy.
- Lots of activity, both experimental and theoretical.