

Charm of Charmonium

Scientists are very calm and equilibrated persons. Only sometimes they get very excited – in particular when they discover an elementary particle.

This was the case of “charmonium”. the meson made of $c\bar{c}$ quarks. the first evidence of the fourth quark, completing the second family (that of *strange* quark)..

Two months is more or less the (quickest) time for answering a (scientific) letter.

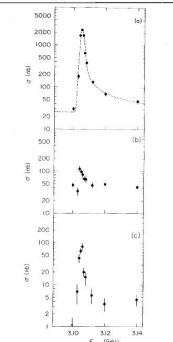
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Experimental Observation of a Heavy Particle J/ψ

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We report the observation of a heavy particle J/ψ , with mass $m = 3.1$ GeV and with approximately zero spin. The observation was made from the reaction $p + \bar{p} \rightarrow e^+e^- + \psi + 2\pi$ measuring the e^+e^- mass spectrum with a precise pair spectrometer at the Brookhaven National Laboratory's 30-inch alternating-gradient accelerator.



The discovery, as seen from the date (hours?) of the two papers submission was done contemporary by two groups.

One of them (MIT, Brookhaven) made measurements in several channels (decay into meson, baryons and leptons).

Another one (Stanford, Berkeley) just hit it with a single shot.

FIG. 1. Cross section versus energy for the multi-hadron final states, the ψ' final states, and the ψ final states. The curves in (a) to (c) are the expected shape of a δ -function resonance fitted with the Gaussian energy spread of the beam and including radiative processes. The cross sections shown in (b) and (c) are integrated over the detector acceptance. The total hadron cross section, σ_{tot} , has been corrected for detection efficiency.

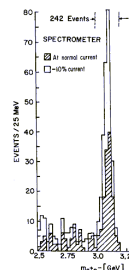
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Discovery of a Narrow Resonance in e^+e^- Annihilation*

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We have observed a very sharp peak in the cross section for $e^+e^- \rightarrow$ hadrons, e^+e^- , and possibly $\mu^+\mu^-$ at a center-of-mass energy of 3.103 ± 0.001 GeV. The upper limit to the full width at half-maximum is 1.5 MeV.



Two paper. two groups. two Nobel prizes and two names are used for the same particle charmonium J and Ψ .

Is'nt it charming?

FIG. 2. Mass spectrum showing the existence of J/ψ . Details from the spectrometer settings are plotted, showing that the peak is independent of spectrometer currents. The rate at reduced current was taken two months later than the normal run.

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Preliminary Result of Frascati (ADONE) on the Nature of a New 3.1-GeV Particle Produced in e^+e^- Annihilation*

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We report on the results at ADONE to study the properties of the newly found 3.1-GeV particle.

There was also a third group, from Rome, who published a paper just below the two upper. But they declared to have adjusted their machine for the shot after the call from USA.

No Nobel prize for them...

One discovery starts (“triggers”) the whole series: there is enough work for both experimentalists and theoreticians.

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Spectrum of Heavy Mesons in e^+e^- Annihilation*

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The picture that charmed quarks are interacting with each other through a linear potential is used to analyze the particle spectrum in the high-energy annihilation process $e^+e^- \rightarrow$ hadrons. With the newly found resonance at 3.1 and 3.7 GeV as input, we predict other resonances in particular, one at approximately 4.0 GeV and determine the hadronic widths of the 3.1 and 3.7 resonances. Extending the linear potential to quarks without charm enables us to predict the charmed-particle threshold to be approximately 5 GeV.

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Comment on Radiative Corrections to $e^+e^- \rightarrow \psi(3103)$ *

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The salient features of the radiative corrections to the line shape of the reaction $e^+e^- \rightarrow \psi(3103)$ are described, emphasizing the importance of treating the infrared divergence to all orders. A tentative value of 0.3 MeV is obtained for the partial width for the e^+ to decay to $e^+\gamma$. An interesting but possibly fortuitous relation among the leptonic decay widths of $\psi(3103)$, $\psi(3700)$, and $\psi(4040)$ is noted.

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SU(4) Symmetry and the Possible Existence of New Hadrons*

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We derive SU(4) mass formulas using mixing, whenever it occurs, fully into account. With the masses of the usual hadrons and that of the newly discovered resonance ψ as input, we predict the masses of the new Λ' and Σ' mesons as well as the Ξ' and Ξ'' baryons.

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Comment on Nonleptonic Decays of Charmed Hadrons*

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Within the framework of a $U(6)$ symmetry, a discussion of the nonleptonic decays of charmed hadrons under the assumption of pseudoscalar dominance leads to conclusions which may be relevant to impending charmed-particle searches.

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Orbital Excitations in Charmonium*

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We use a linear potential to analyze the orbital excitations of a bound charmed quark-antiquark system. The model predicts that a $2S$ - $1P$ ψ ray should be observed in the J/ψ transition from the $2S$ to the $1P$ state.

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Color Gluons and the Decay of the $\psi(3700)$ into $\psi(3100)$ *

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The decay of $\psi(3700)$ into $\psi(3100)$ plus hadrons constitutes a violation of Zweig's rule, on the assumption that the ψ -meson proceeds through the emission of Yang-Mills gluons in a color-singlet state. I predict a width of 1.9×10^{-4} sec for this process. All uncertainties entering the calculation are taken from previous fits to the decay widths of the $\psi(3100)$.

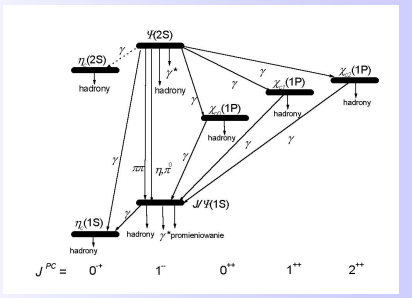
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J/ψ States of Charmonium and the Forces that Confine Quarks*

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A measurement of the energy differences of the $n=2$, 3P_0 states of charmonium may give significant information on the dynamics of the non-relativistic quark-antiquark ($q\bar{q}$) forces, since the more rapidly these forces increase with $q\bar{q}$ separation, the larger the ratios $R_1 = 16^3P_0 - 8^3P_0 / 16^3P_1 - 8^3P_1$ and $R_2 = (8^3P_1 - 8^3P_1) / (16^3P_1 - 8^3P_1)$ become if the forces are of vector character.

The fourth quark was discovered in 1974, but the theory (M. Kobayashi and T. Masakawa) in the same year predicted next two...



Charmonium is a meson composed of *charm* quark and antiquark. This is quite an exception in mesons family - mesons like to be composed from mixed quarks: meson π (that of nuclear forces) of u and d (or vice versa), K -mesons (those of CP symmetry breaking) of s and d , B -mesons (those from “BaBar” and “Belle” experiments) of b and u .

The energy (mass) spectrum of the $c\bar{c}$ meson is really rich.

Baryons [mass in MeV/c ²]	Mesons	Baryons	Mesons
uud p (proton) $m=938.271998 \pm 0.000038$	$(u\bar{u} + d\bar{d})/\sqrt{2}$ π^0 (neutral pion) $m= 134.9766 \pm 0.0006$	ddc Σ_c^0 (sigma-c) 2452.6 ± 0.6	+ Charmed $c\bar{c}$ J/Ψ (charmonium) also called η_c 3096.87 ± 0.04
udd n (neutron) $m= 939.565330 \pm 0.000038$	$u\bar{d}$ π^+ (positive pion) $m= 139.57018 \pm 0.00035$ charge radius $r=0.672 \times 10^{-15}$ m	udc Σ_c^+ (sigma-c) 2451.3 ± 0.7	$c\bar{u}$ D^0 1864.5 ± 0.5
$\bar{u}\bar{u}\bar{d}$ \bar{p} (antiproton) $m= 938$	$d\bar{u}$ π^- (negative pion) $m= 139.57018 \pm 0.00035$ charge radius $r=0.672 \times 10^{-15}$ m ...	uuc Σ_c^{++} (sigma-c) 2452.6 ± 0.6	$c\bar{d}$ D^+ 1869.3 ± 0.5
		...	$c\bar{d}$ D^- 1869.3 ± 0.5 ...
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uds Λ (lambda) 1115.683 ± 0.006	$d\bar{s}$ K^0 (neutral kaon) 497.672 ± 0.031	udb Λ_b^0 5624 ± 9	bb Ψ (ypsylon 1977) 9460.30 ± 0.26
uds Σ^0 (sigma zero) 1192.642 ± 0.024	$d\bar{s}$ \bar{K}^0 (neutral antikaon) 497.672 ± 0.031	usb Ξ_b^0 Energy ? lifetime 1.39 ps	$u\bar{b}$ B^+ 5279.0 ± 0.5 lifetime 1.674 ps ...
uus Σ^+ (sigma plus) 1189.37 ± 0.07	$u\bar{s}$ K^+ (positive kaon) 493.677 ± 0.013		
dds Σ^- (sigma minus) 1197.449 ± 0.030	$s\bar{u}$ K^- (negative kaon) 493.677 ± 0.013		
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