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RESONANCE PRODUCTION IN PHOTON PHOTON COLLISIONS

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1. INTRODUCTION

The experimental study of resonances in photon photon collisions owes its beginning to F. Low, who suggested in 1960 that the determination of the π^0 lifetime could be accomplished by measuring its $\gamma\gamma$ width at e^+e^- storage rings.¹⁾ The production cross section of a resonance R via two photon interactions in e^+e^- collisions can be written as

$$\sigma(ee \rightarrow eeR) = \frac{16\alpha^2(2J+1)}{m_R^3} \cdot \left(\ln \frac{E}{m_e} \right)^2 \cdot f\left(\frac{m_R}{2E}\right) \cdot \Gamma_{R\gamma\gamma}$$

where $f(x) = (2+x^2)\ln(1/x) - (1-x^2)(3+x^2)^2$, J is the spin, and $\Gamma_{R\gamma\gamma}$ is the $\gamma\gamma$ width of R.

It was not until the 1979 η' measurement by MKII²⁾ that any $\gamma\gamma$ width was determined this way. And $\Gamma_{\pi^0\gamma\gamma}$ was not measured in an e^+e^- storage ring until the 1984 result of the Crystal Ball Collaboration.³⁾

The study of resonances produced in $\gamma\gamma$ collisions has many advantages. The formation of resonances can be studied in exclusive final states over a large range of $\gamma\gamma$ energies. These resonances have even C-parity, I=0, 1, or 2. Two real photons can couple to all even-spin states and to all even-parity odd-spin states except J=1. The measured $\gamma\gamma$ widths provide information on the SU(3) mixing and gluon contents of the isoscalar mesons. They can also help to distinguish exotic states such as glueballs and four-quark states ($qq\bar{q}\bar{q}$) from $q\bar{q}$ states.

There are also certain experimental constraints in these studies. The $\gamma\gamma$ luminosity

falls rapidly as $\gamma\gamma$ energy increases. The $\gamma\gamma$ center of mass moves with considerable momentum, and the final state particles are Lorentz boosted along the beam directions. Often outgoing particles are inside the beam pipe and cannot be detected. As a result, the acceptance is small and event reconstruction is difficult.

A large number of $\gamma\gamma$ width measurements have been reported since the last International Workshop on Photon-Photon Collisions at Tahoe.⁴⁾ We review, in Sections 2 and 3, the present status of pseudoscalar and tensor mesons. The world averages of the $\gamma\gamma$ width measurements are used in Section 4 to obtain the SU(3) mixing angles, and in Section 5 to determine the gluon contents. The experimental situation of the scalar mesons is discussed in Section 6. The measured limits on the $\gamma\gamma$ widths of various higher mass states are reviewed in Section 7. In section 8, the overall experimental situation is summarized.

2. PSEUDOSCALAR MESONS

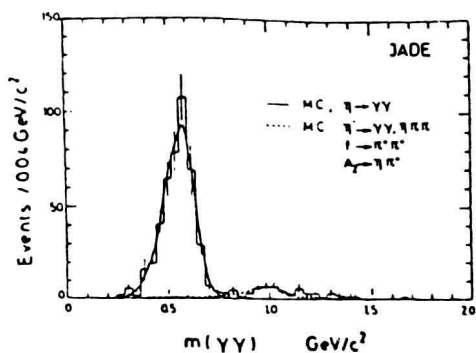
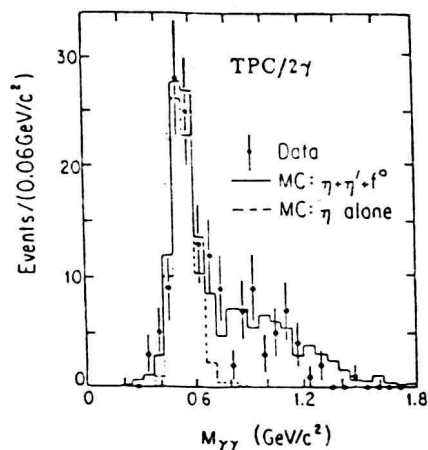
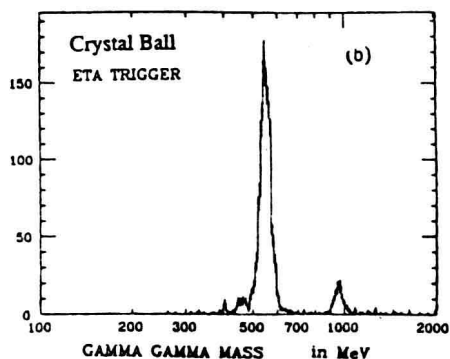
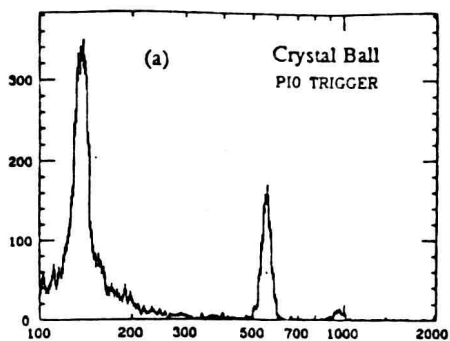
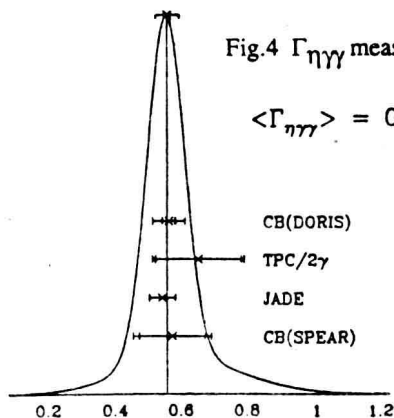
η MESON The measurements of JADE and TPC/2 γ have been recently published.^{5,6)} The data are shown in Figs. 1,2. Preliminary results of Crystal Ball are presented at this Workshop, as shown in Figs. 3 (a),(b).⁷⁾ These measurements are summarized in Fig. 4. The weighted average is $\langle \Gamma_{\eta\gamma\gamma} \rangle = 0.55 \pm 0.04$ KeV.

η' MESON TPC/2 γ has reported recently their studies of η' production in both tagged and untagged data, as shown in Figs. 5(a),(b).⁸⁾ The Q^2 dependence is shown in Fig. 5(c) and is well described by ρ -dominance. This and other measurements are summarized in Fig. 6. The weighted average is $\langle \Gamma_{\eta'\gamma\gamma} \rangle = 4.34 \pm 0.26$ KeV.

π^0 MESON The data of Crystal Ball with low threshold energy trigger show, in Fig.3(a), a prominent signal of π^0 production. However, no width measurement is reported because the background has not been completely understood. From the recent precision measurement of π^0 lifetime by Atherton et al.⁹⁾ and earlier measurements, one obtains the present world average $\langle \Gamma_{\pi^0\gamma\gamma} \rangle = 7.29 \pm 0.20$ eV.

3. TENSOR MESONS

A_2 MESON TASSO has presented at this Workshop an analysis of the A_2

Fig.1 JADE, $M(\gamma\gamma)$ distributionFig.2 TPC/2 γ , $M(\gamma\gamma)$ distributionFig.3 Crystal Ball, $M(\gamma\gamma)$ distribution for (a) π^0 trigger, and (b) η triggerFig.4 $\Gamma_{\eta\gamma\gamma}$ measurements and average

$$\langle \Gamma_{\eta\gamma\gamma} \rangle = 0.55 \pm 0.04 \text{ KeV}$$

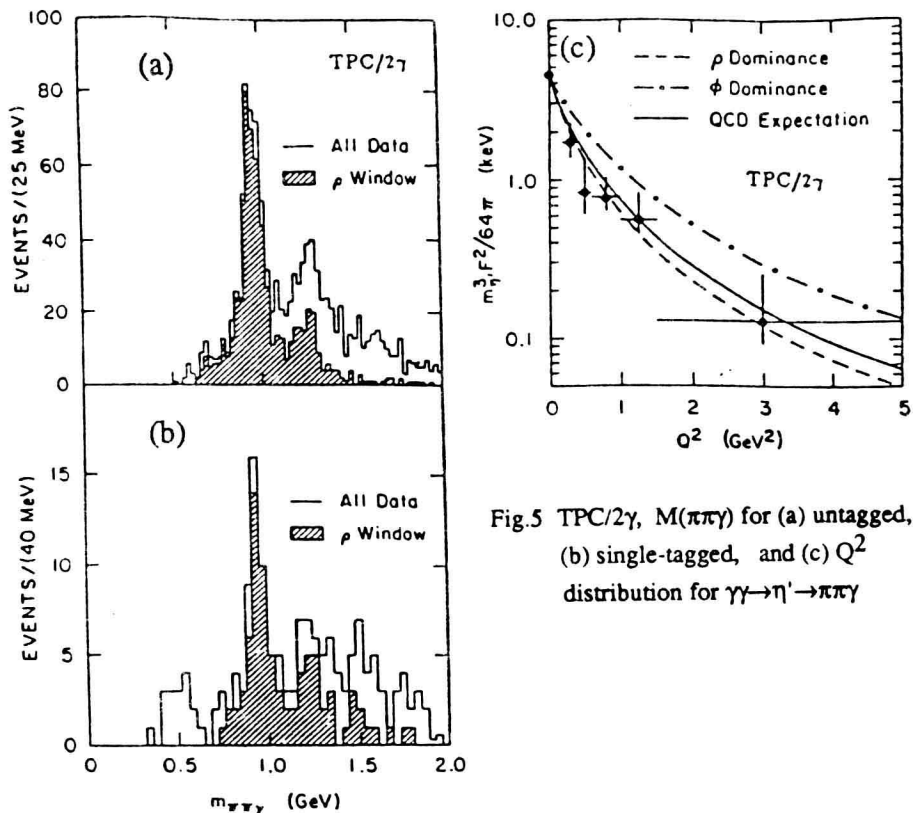
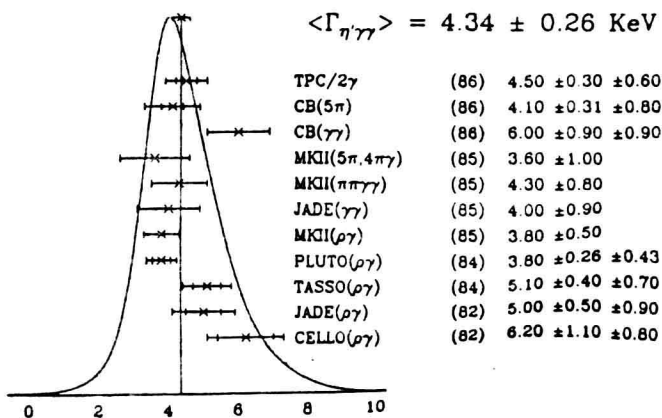


Fig.5 TPC/2 γ , $M(\pi\pi\gamma)$ for (a) untagged, (b) single-tagged, and (c) Q^2 distribution for $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \eta' \rightarrow \pi\pi\gamma$

Fig.6 $\Gamma_{\eta'\gamma\gamma}$ measurements and average



meson¹⁰⁾ After removing non-exclusive background, the neutral 3π mass distribution in Fig. 7 shows clear production of the A_2 . This and earlier measurements are summarized in Fig. 8. The weighted average is $\langle \Gamma_{A_2\gamma\gamma} \rangle = 0.90 \pm 0.11$ KeV.

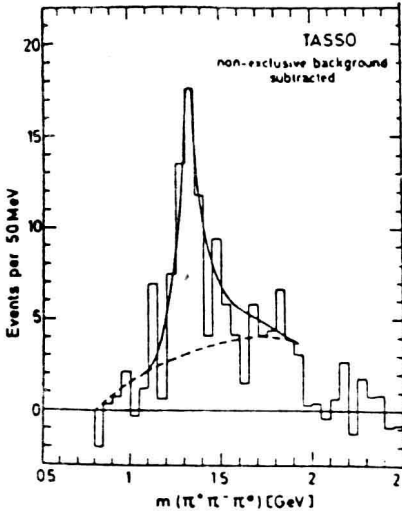
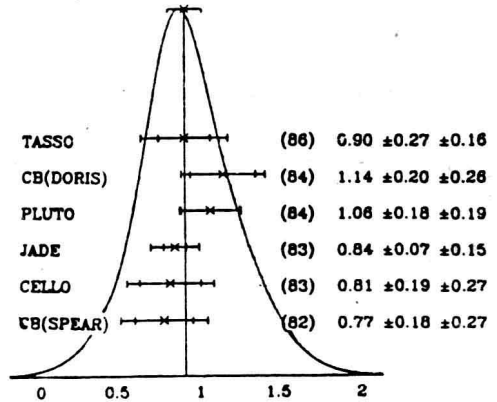


Fig.7 TASSO, $M(\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0)$ distribution

Fig.8 $\Gamma_{A_2\gamma\gamma}$ measurements and average

$$\langle \Gamma_{A_2\gamma\gamma} \rangle = 0.90 \pm 0.11 \text{ KeV}$$



f MESON Results from a detailed study of f production has been reported by TPC/2 γ .¹¹⁾ Very careful separation of $\pi\pi$ from ee and $\mu\mu$ final states was carried out using the particle identification capabilities of the TPC. Fig. 9(a) shows the cross section $\sigma(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \pi\pi)$ as a function of $\gamma\gamma$ energy. The decay angular distribution shown in Fig. 9(b) is consistent with pure helicity 2. The $\Gamma_{f\gamma\gamma}$ obtained by TPC/2 γ and other

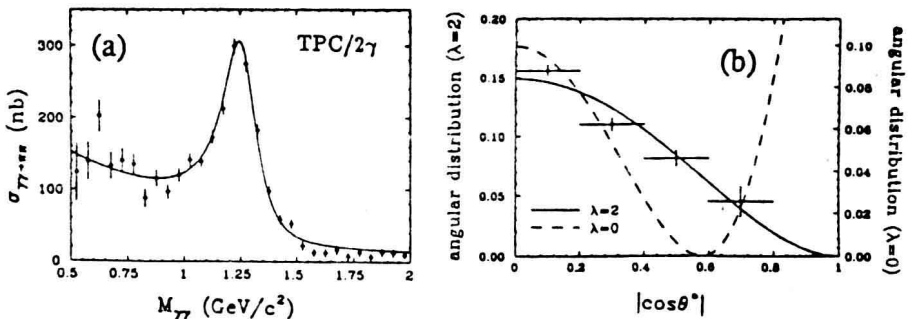


Fig.9 TPC/2 γ , (a) $\sigma(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \pi\pi)$ and (b) decay angular distribution of f