

# Precision Measurement of $\tau$ lepton mass at BESIII

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# Motivation

- $m_\tau$  is a fundamental parameter of SM

$$\frac{B(\tau \rightarrow l\nu\bar{\nu})}{\tau_\tau} = \frac{g_\tau^2 m_\tau^5}{192\pi^3} F_{cor}(m_\tau, m_l)$$

- Determination of  $m_\tau$  to the highest possible precision → high precision test of the Standard Model.

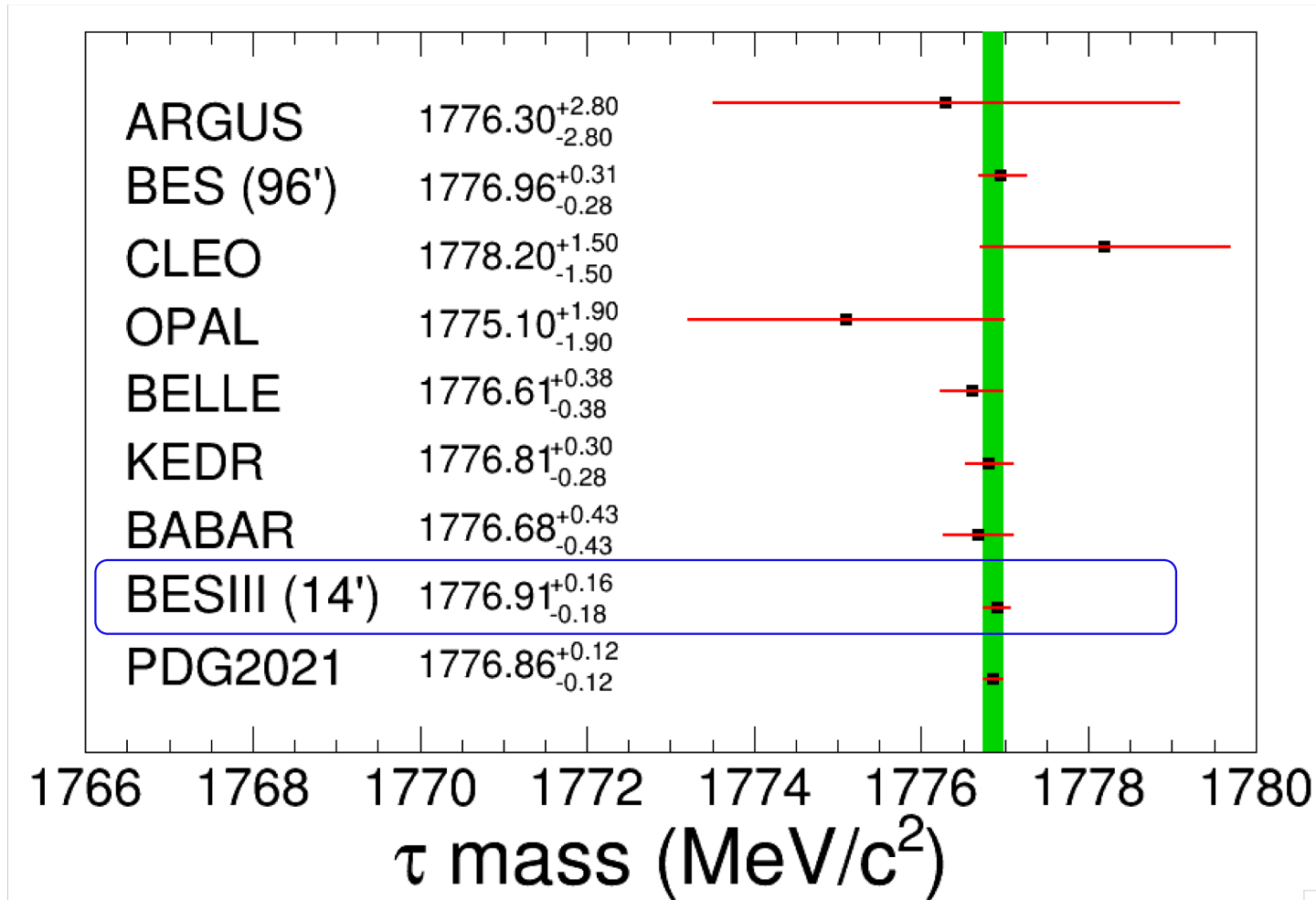
- Check lepton universality

$$\left(\frac{g_\tau}{g_\mu}\right)^2 = \frac{\tau_\mu}{\tau_\tau} \left(\frac{m_\mu}{m_\tau}\right)^5 \frac{B(\tau \rightarrow e\nu\bar{\nu})}{B(\mu \rightarrow e\nu\bar{\nu})} F_r = 1$$

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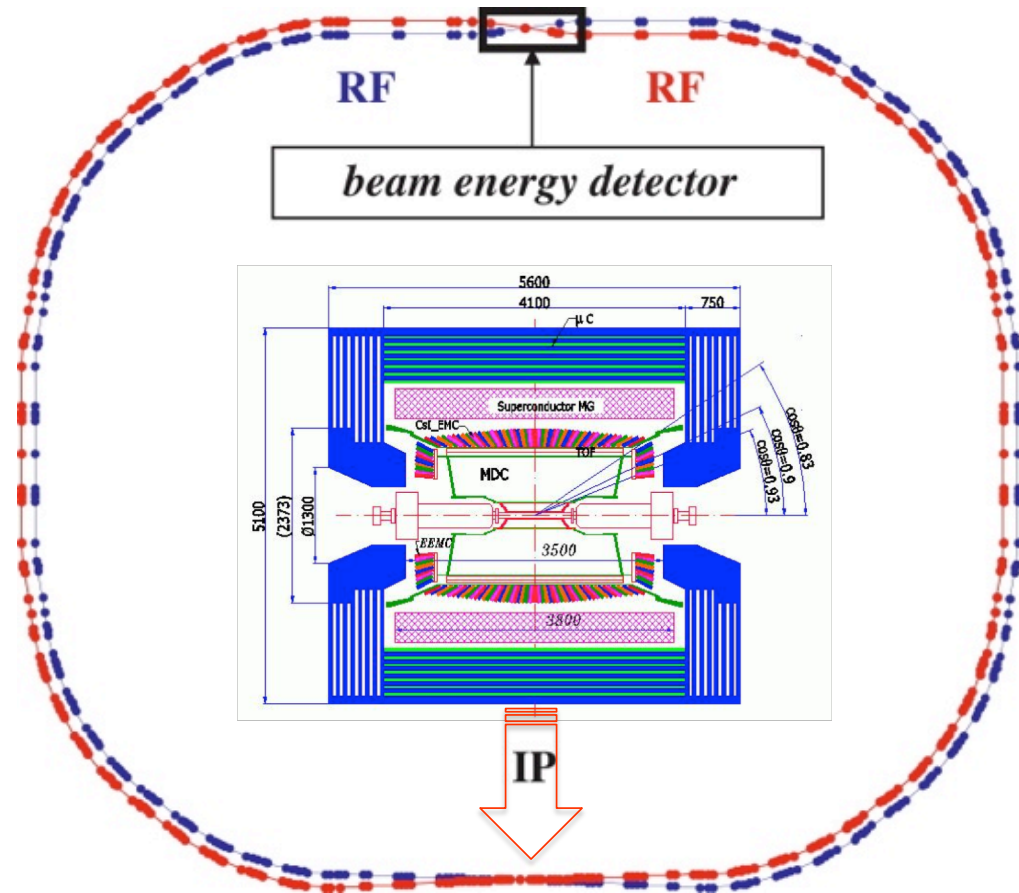
- Universality is sensitive to:  $m_\tau^5$
- For e,  $\mu$ ,  $\Delta m/m \sim 10^{-8}$ , for  $\tau$ ,  $\Delta m/m \sim 10^{-4}$ , need more precise measurements.

# Current status on $\tau$ mass measurement

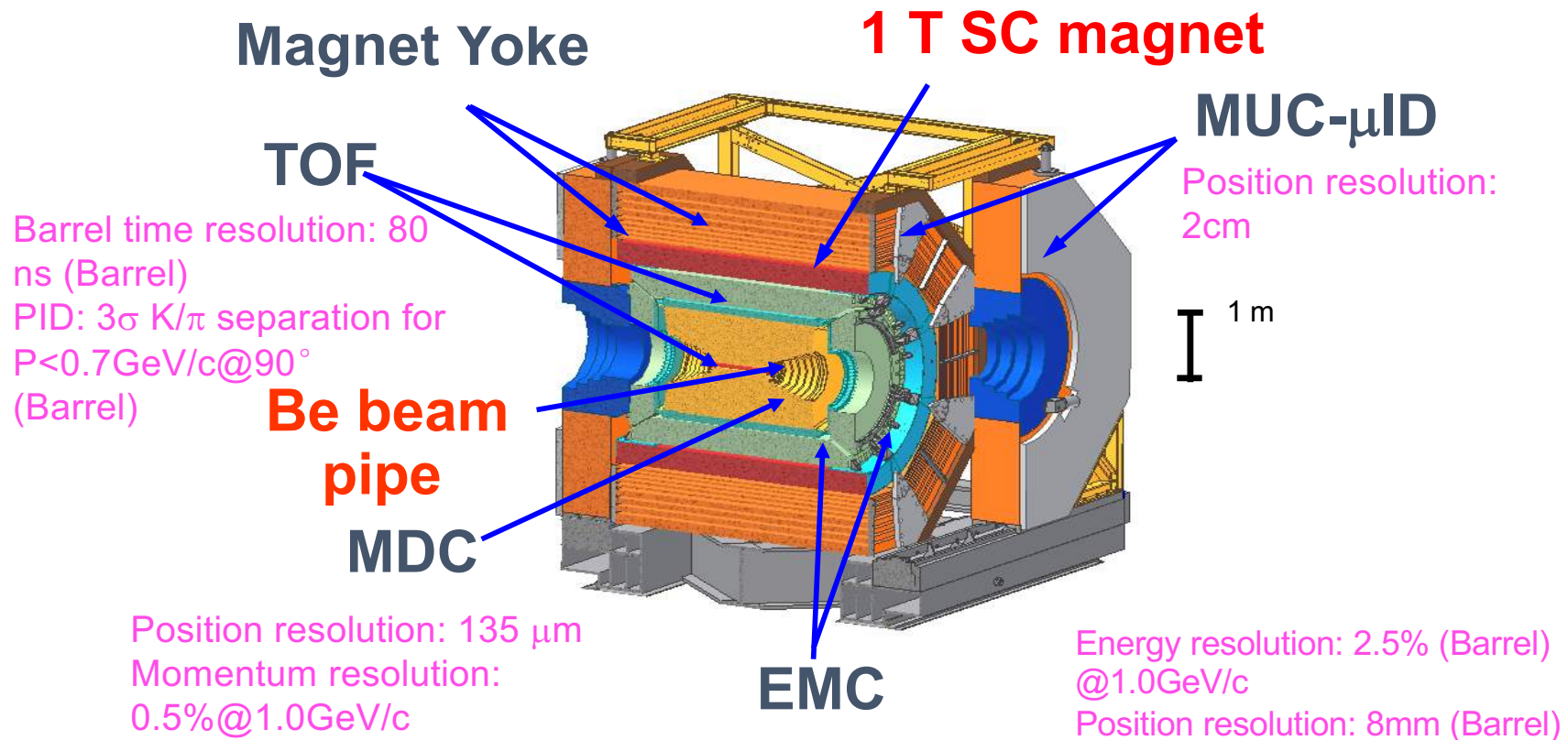


# Beijing Electron Positron Collider (BEPCII)

- Beam energy: 1.0 ~ 2.3 GeV
- Double-ring structure
- 2004: started BEPCII upgrade, BESIII construction
- 2009 -now: BESIII physics run
- 1989-2004 (BEPC):  
 $L_{\text{peak}} = 1.0 \times 10^{31} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
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 (4/5/2016)



# BESIII Detector

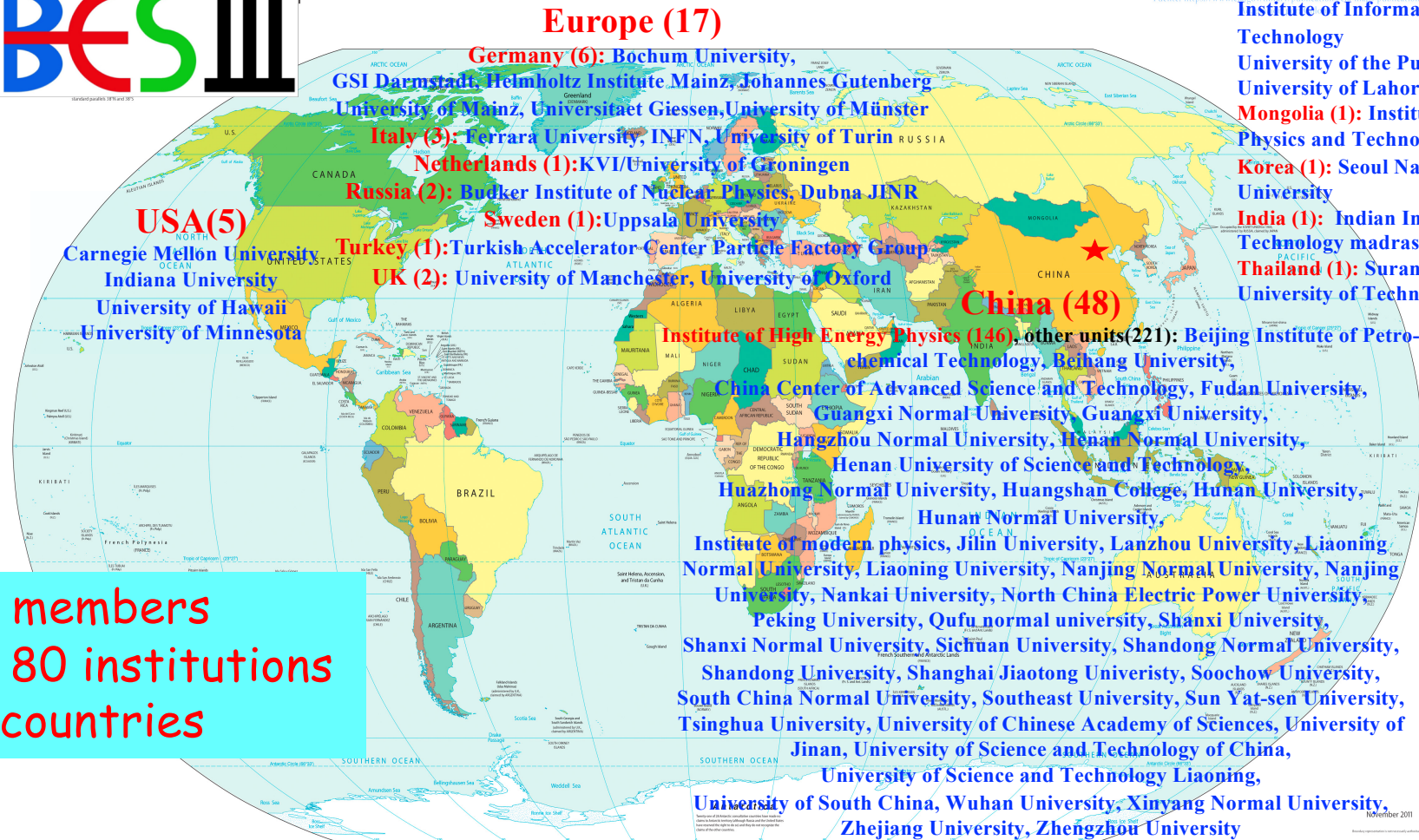


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# The BESIII Collaboration



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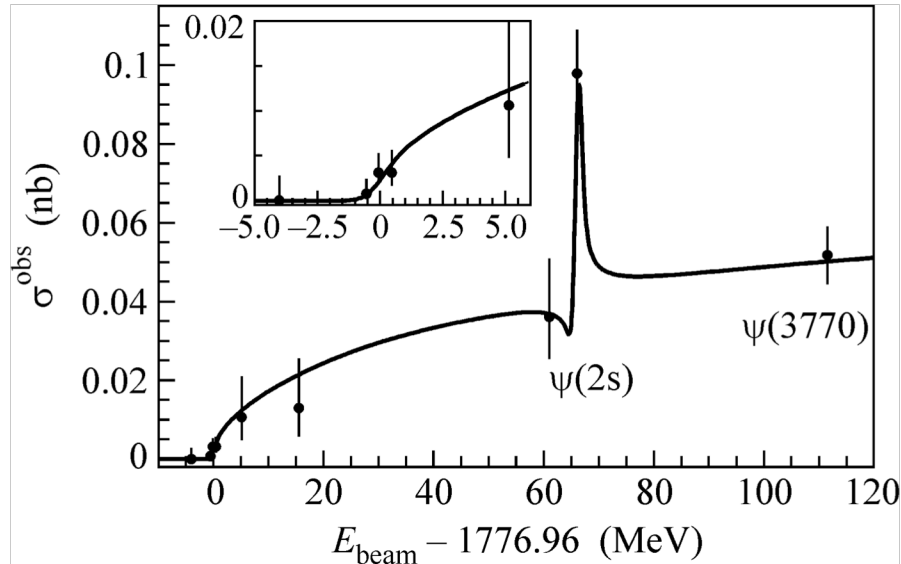


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# Threshold scan method

- Study of the threshold behavior of the  $\tau$  pair production cross section in  $e^+e^-$  collisions
- Extremely important is to determine the beam energy and the beam energy spread precisely

Observed  $\tau^+\tau^-$  cross section versus the beam energy



KEDR detector  
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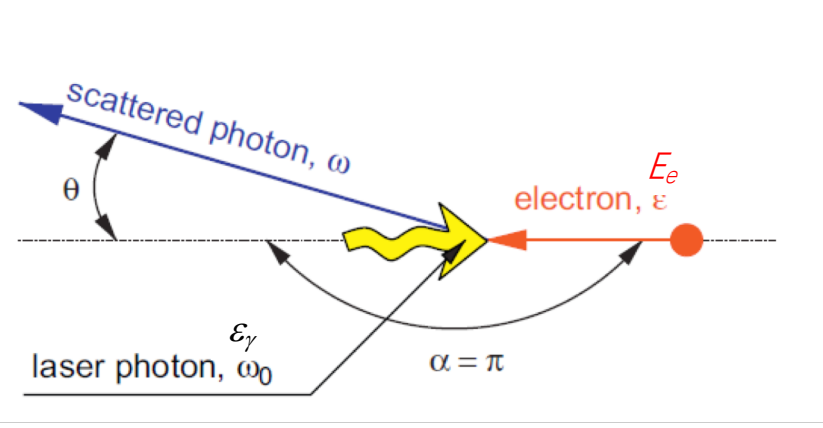
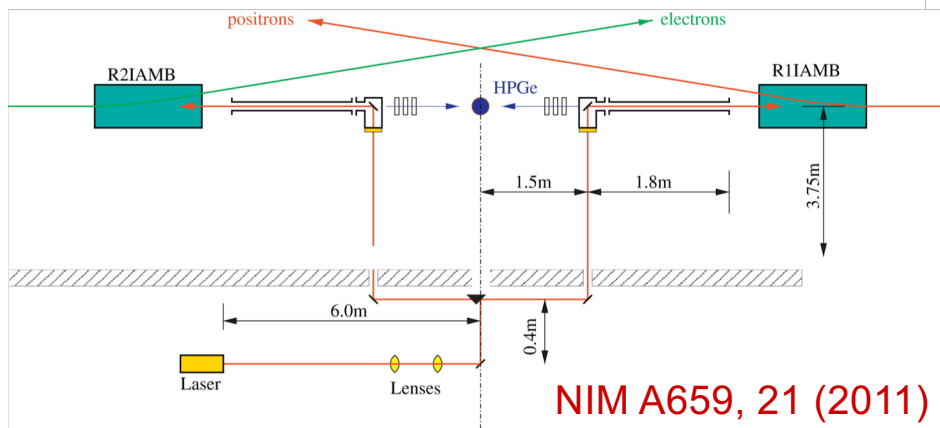


# Beam Energy Measurement System (BEMS)

- Determination of beam energy crucial for  $\tau$  mass measurement
- The electron energy  $E_e$  is related to the maximal energy of the scattered photon  $E_\gamma$  by the kinematics of Compton scattering

$$E_e = \frac{E_\gamma}{2} \left[ 1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{m_e^2}{\varepsilon_\gamma E_\gamma}} \right] \longrightarrow E_{CM} = 2 \times \sqrt{\bar{E}_{e^+} \times \bar{E}_{e^-}} \times \cos\left(\frac{\theta_{e^+e^-}}{2}\right)$$

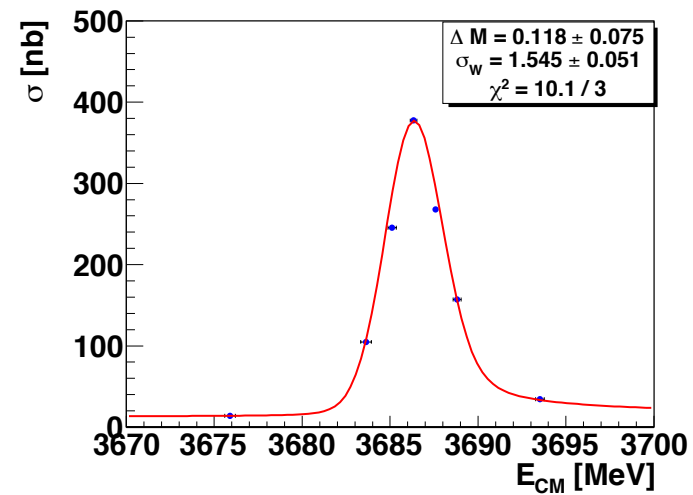
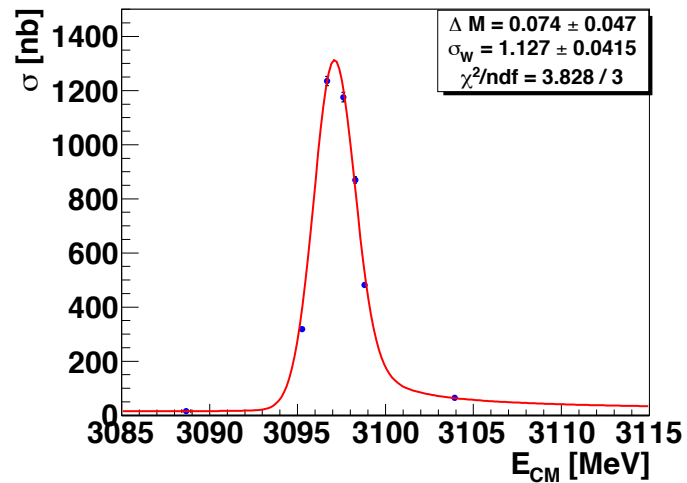
- $\sigma(\text{Energy}) \sim 10^{-5}$ ,  $\Delta$  (Energy spread) / Energy spread  $\sim 6\%$



# Data taking scenario

Three stages:

- $J/\psi$  scan for BEMS calibration and beam energy spread measurement
- $\tau$  mass scan near tau threshold
- $\psi'$  scan for BEMS calibration and beam energy spread measurement



# $\tau$ mass scan at BESIII in 2011

- The likelihood function for the maximum likelihood fitting:

$$L(m_\tau, R_{Data/MC}, \sigma_B) = \prod_{i=1}^4 \frac{\mu_i^{N_i} e^{-\mu_i}}{N_i!},$$

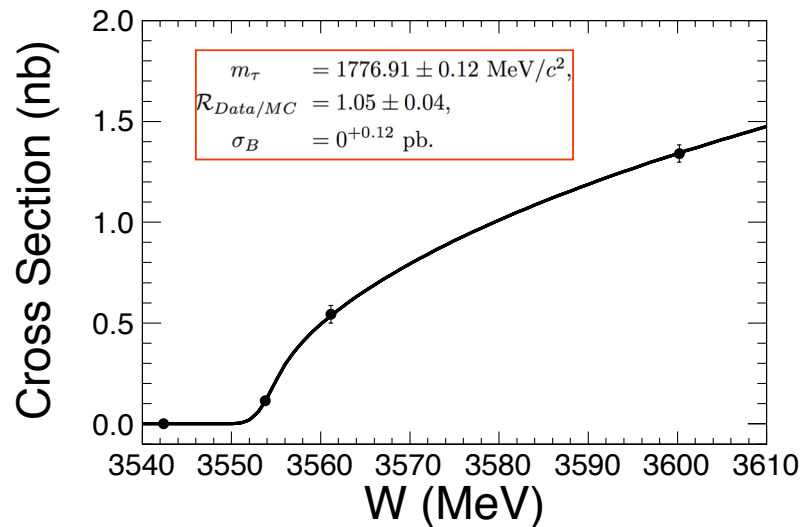
$$\mu_i = [R_{Data/MC} \times \varepsilon_i \times \sigma(E_{CM}^i, m_\tau) + \sigma_B] \times l_i$$

$$\varepsilon_i = Br_j \varepsilon_{ij},$$

$i$  represents energy points,  $j$  represent channels

- In carrying out the ML fit,  $m_\tau$ ,  $R_{data/MC}$ ,  $\sigma_B$  are free parameters

The CM energy dependence of the  $\tau$  pair cross section resulting from the likelihood fit (curve), compared to the data (Poisson errors)



Systematic errors	
Source	keV
Theo.	10
$E_{\text{Spread}}$	16
$E_{\text{Scale}}$	+22 -86
$E_{\text{Selection}}$	50
Eff.	48
Bg. shape	40
Lum.	6
Sum	+100 -130

$$m_\tau = 1776.91 \pm 0.12(\text{stat.})_{-0.13}^{+0.10}(\text{sys.}) \text{ MeV}$$

$$\left(\frac{g_\tau}{g_\mu}\right)^2 = 1.0016 \pm 0.0042$$

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# Prospect on the new $\tau$ mass scan in 2018

	J/ $\psi$ ( $\text{pb}^{-1}$ )	$\psi'$ ( $\text{pb}^{-1}$ )	$\tau$ Mass scan( $\text{pb}^{-1}$ )					
			3540MeV	3552MeV	3553MeV	3560MeV	3600MeV	total
2011	15	7.5	4.3	0	5.6	3.9	9.6	23.4
2018	31.7	67.9	23.8	69.7	9.2	15.0	14.9	138.3

- Data analysis on the new  $\tau$  mass scan in 2018 is ongoing
- $\sigma_{\text{stat.}}$  is expected to be around 50KeV.
- $\sigma_{\text{sys.}}$  is expected to be the same level as  $\sigma_{\text{stat.}}$
- New result is coming soon.

# Summary

- In order to check lepton universality precisely, more precise measurement of  $\tau$  mass is required.
- Thanks to the BEMS and the new  $\tau$  threshold scan data collected at BESIII in 2018, the uncertainty of tau mass measurement at BESIII is expected to be less than 100KeV.
- New result from the new data is coming soon.