



Production mechanism of Hidden-Charm Exotic Mesons

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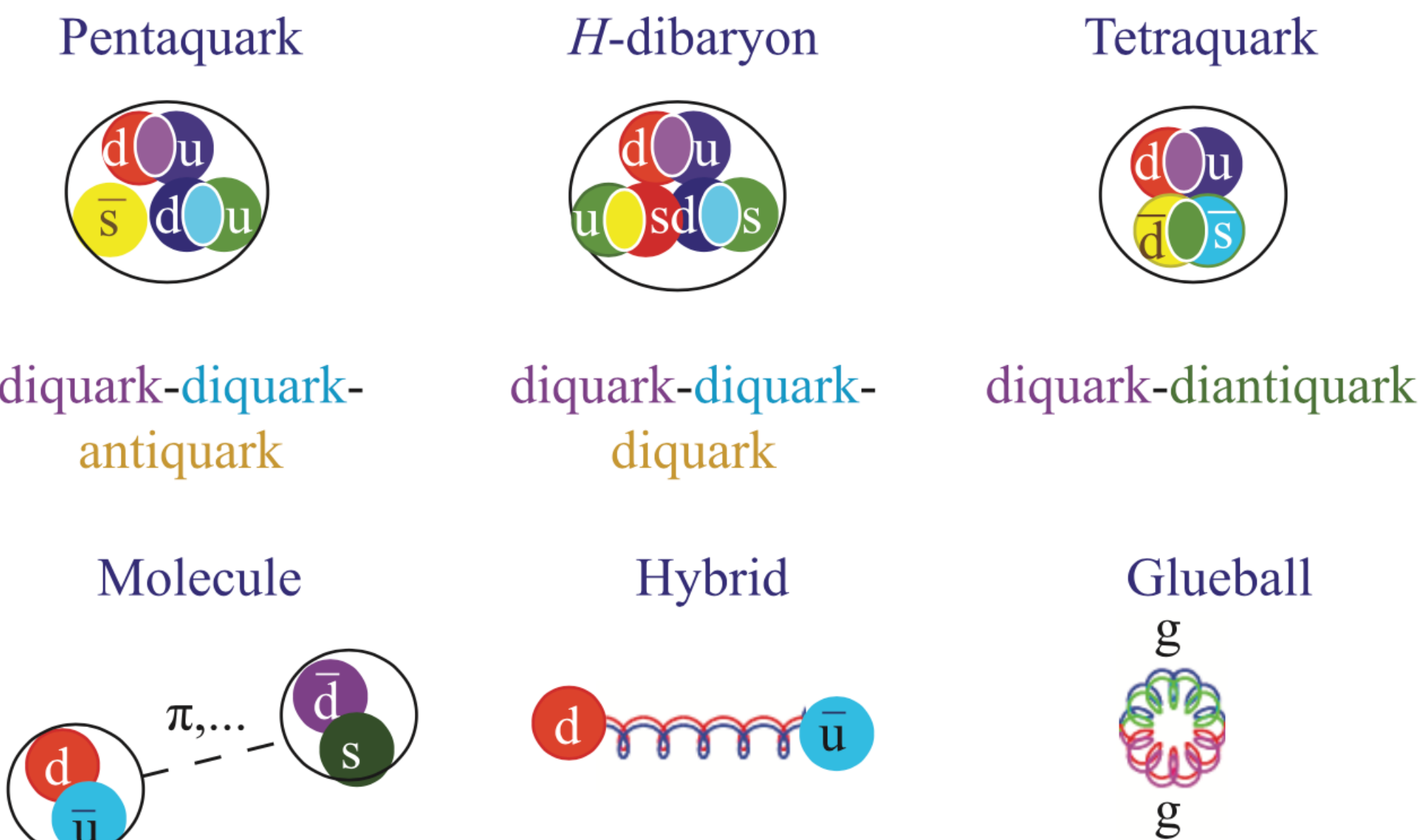
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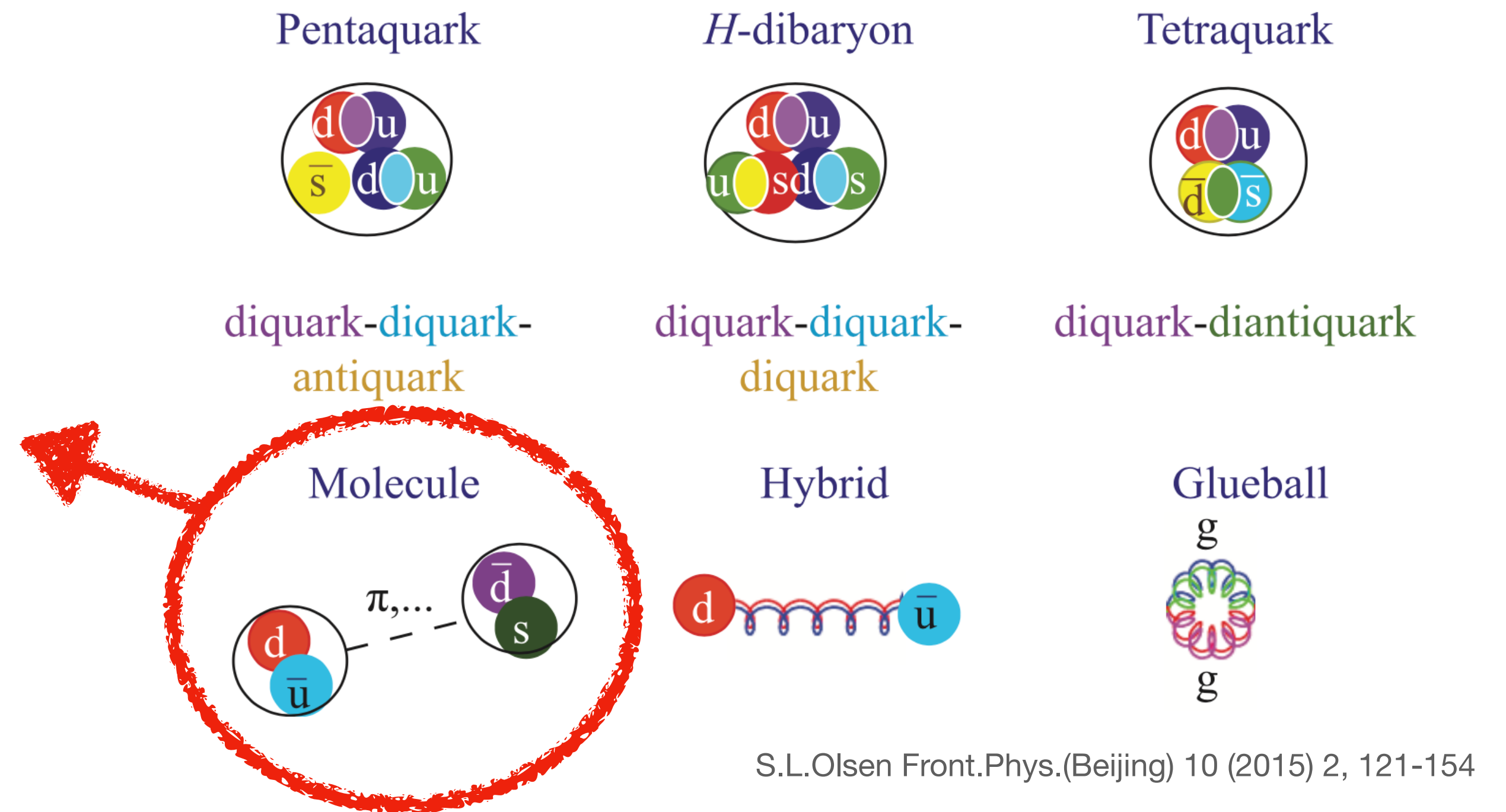
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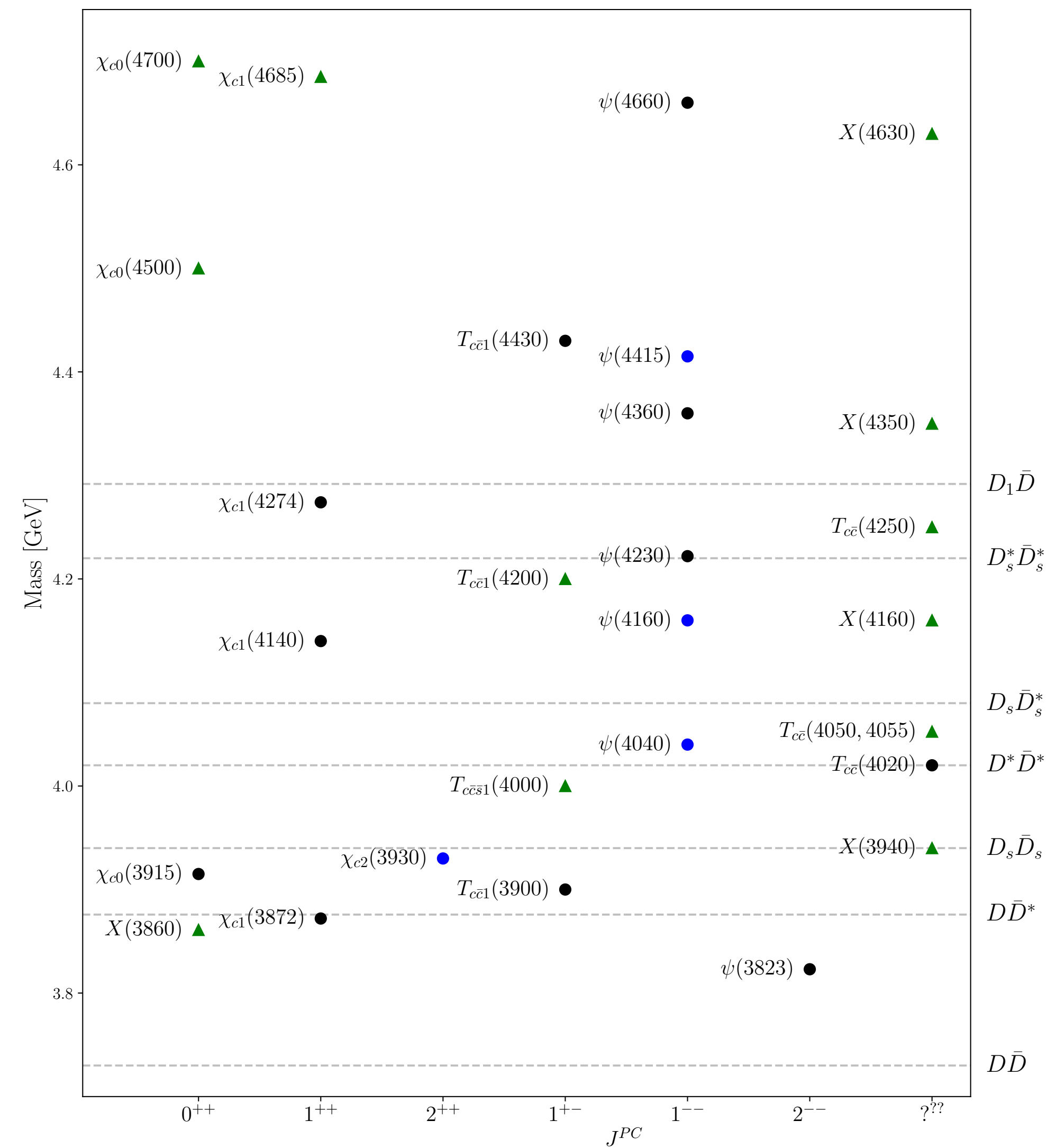
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- Bound states of color-neutral states mediated by meson-exchanges
- Typically appear near two-particle thresholds
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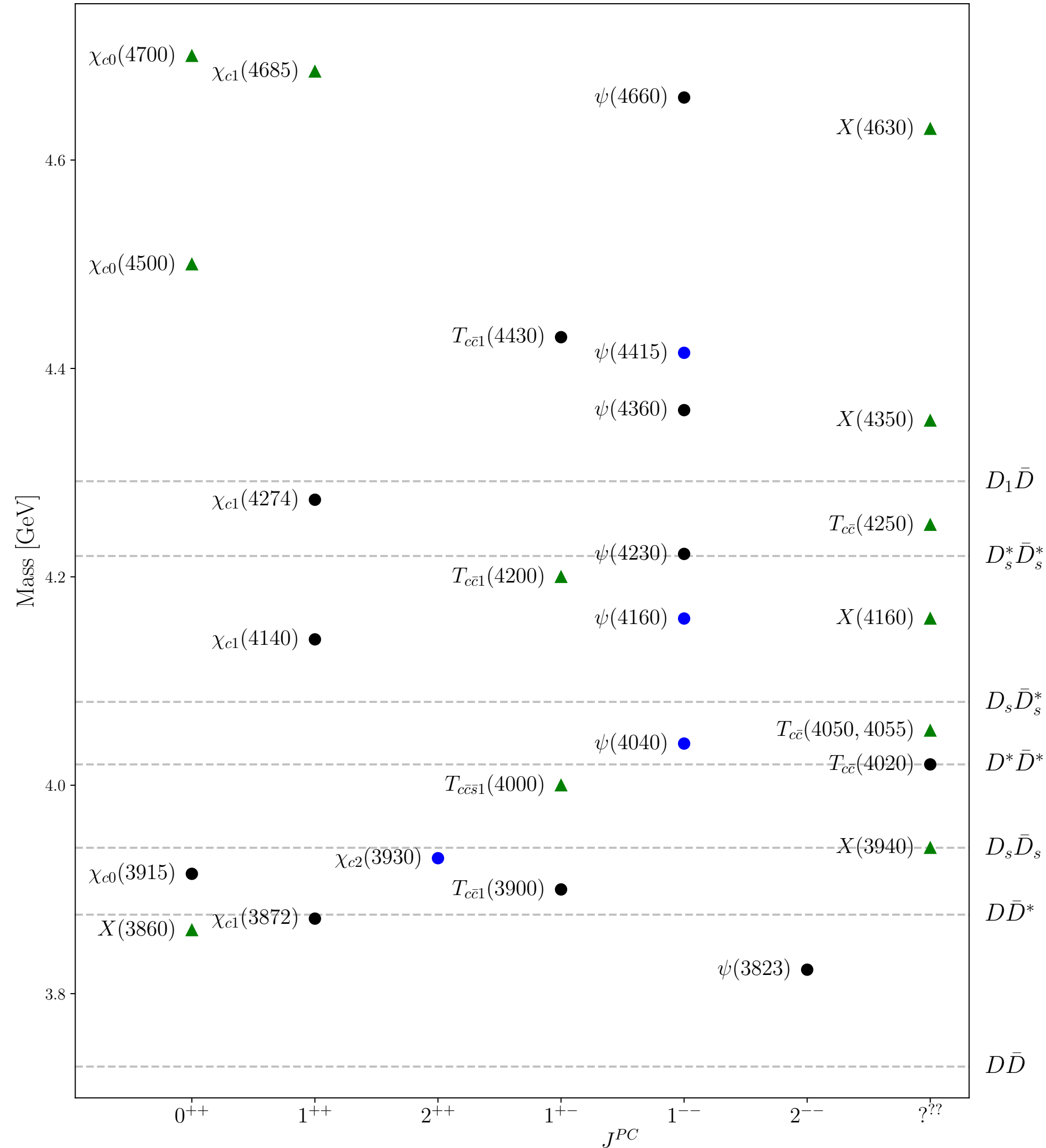


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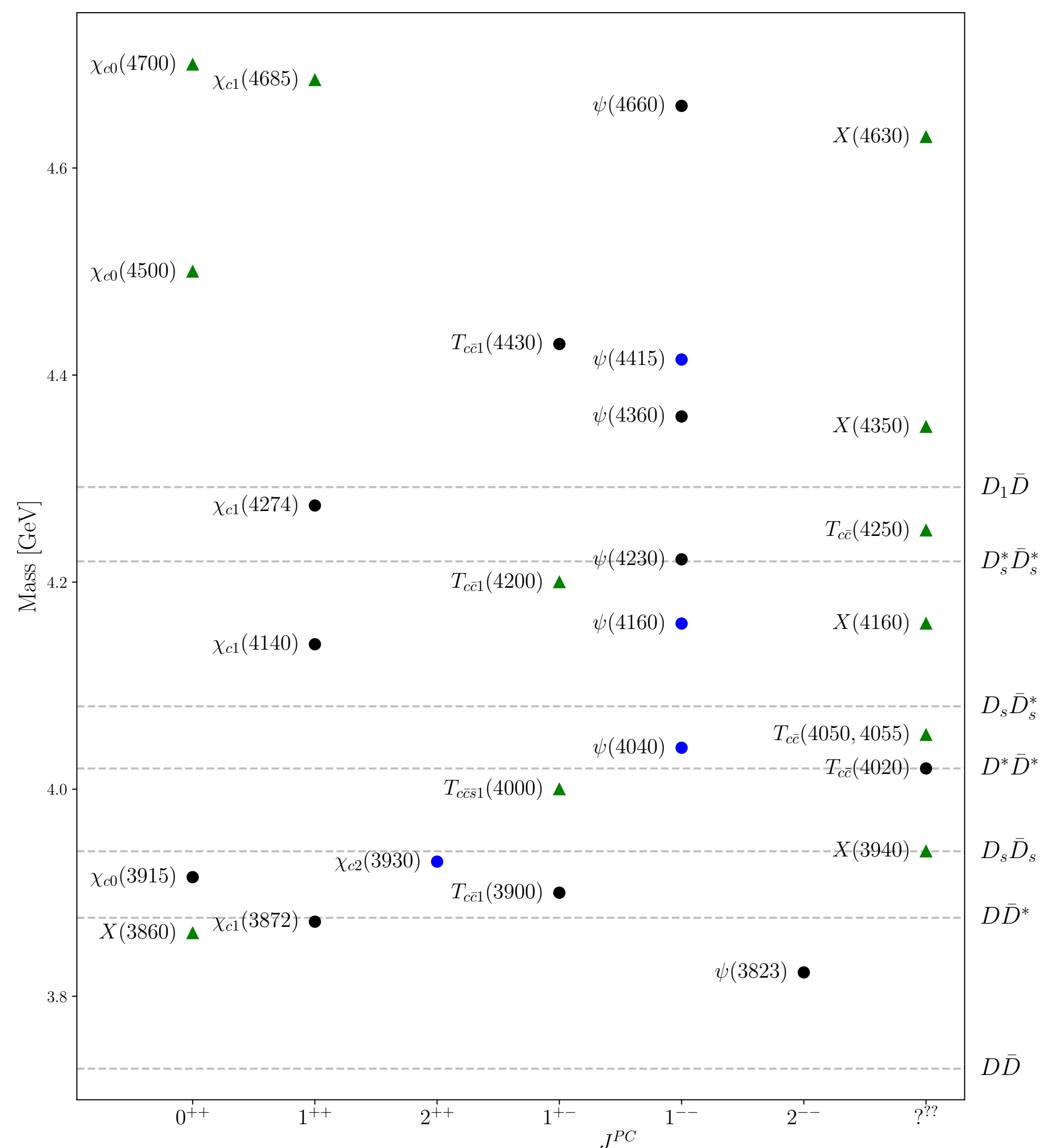
$$M_{\chi_{c1}} - (m_{D^0} + m_{\bar{D}^{*0}}) = -0.09 \pm 0.28 \text{ MeV}$$

It dominantly decays into this channel:

$$\mathcal{B}(\chi_{c1}(3872) \rightarrow D^0 \bar{D}^{*0}) > 34 \%$$

Consistent with the characteristics of hadronic molecules

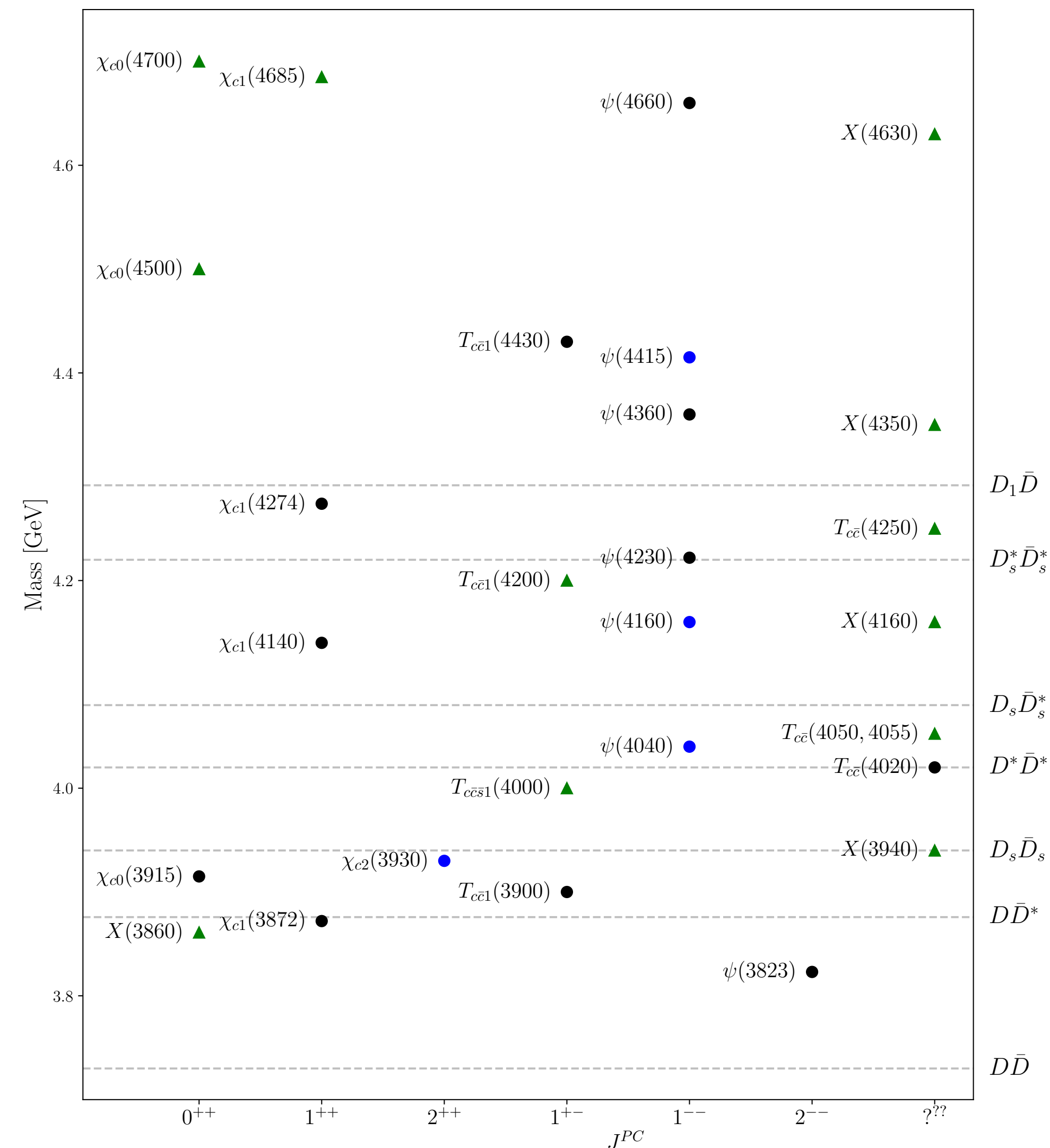
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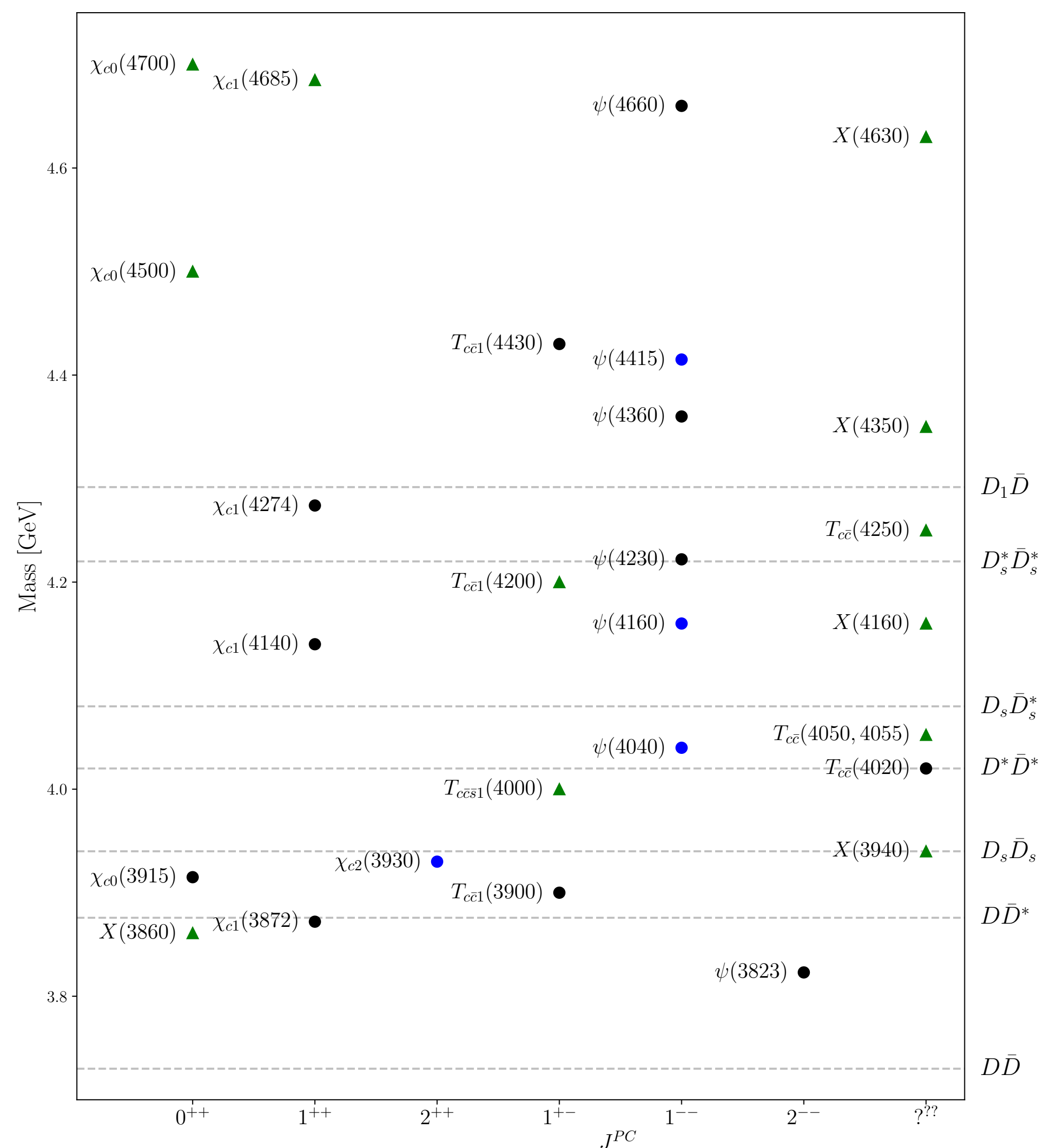
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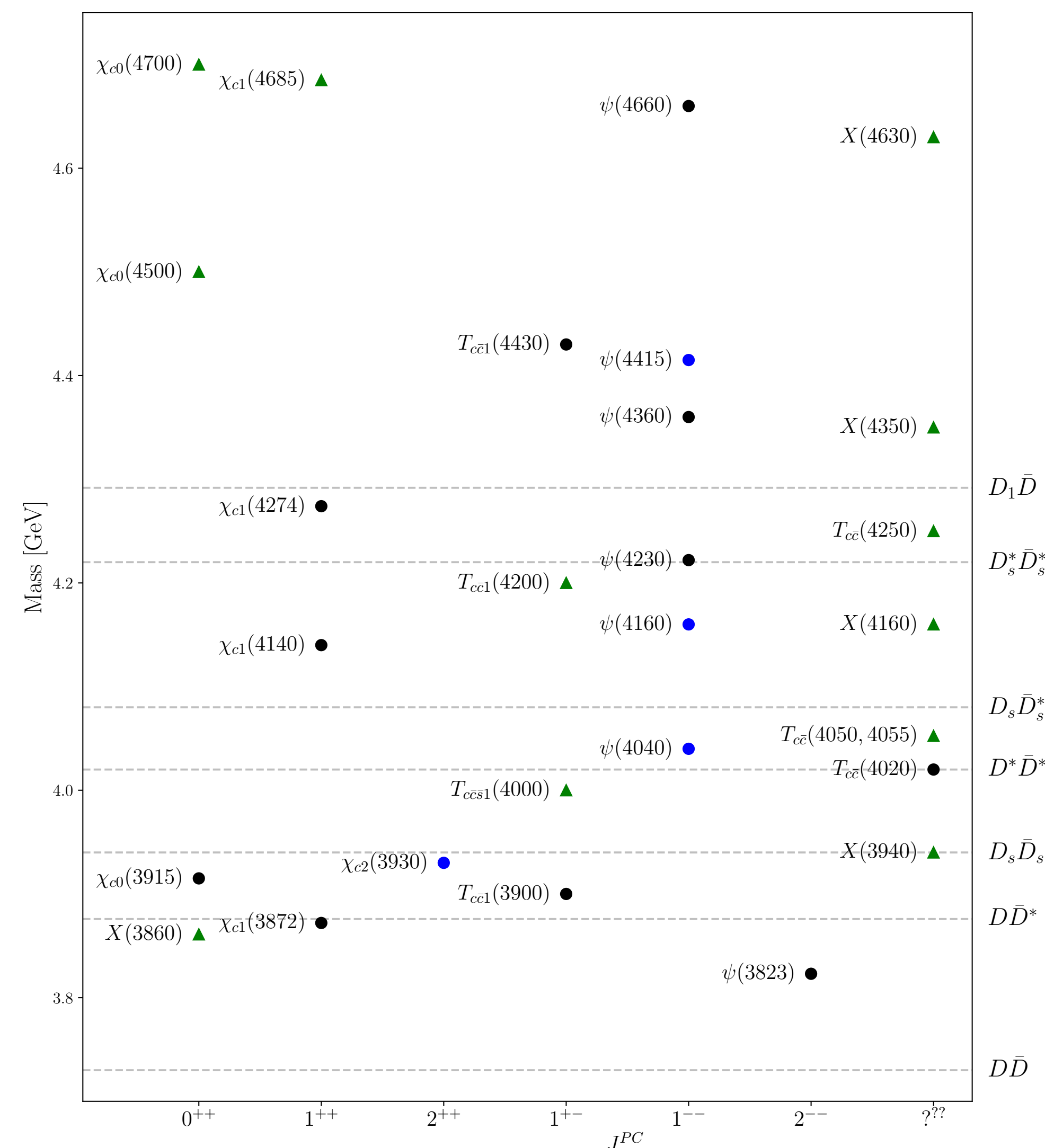
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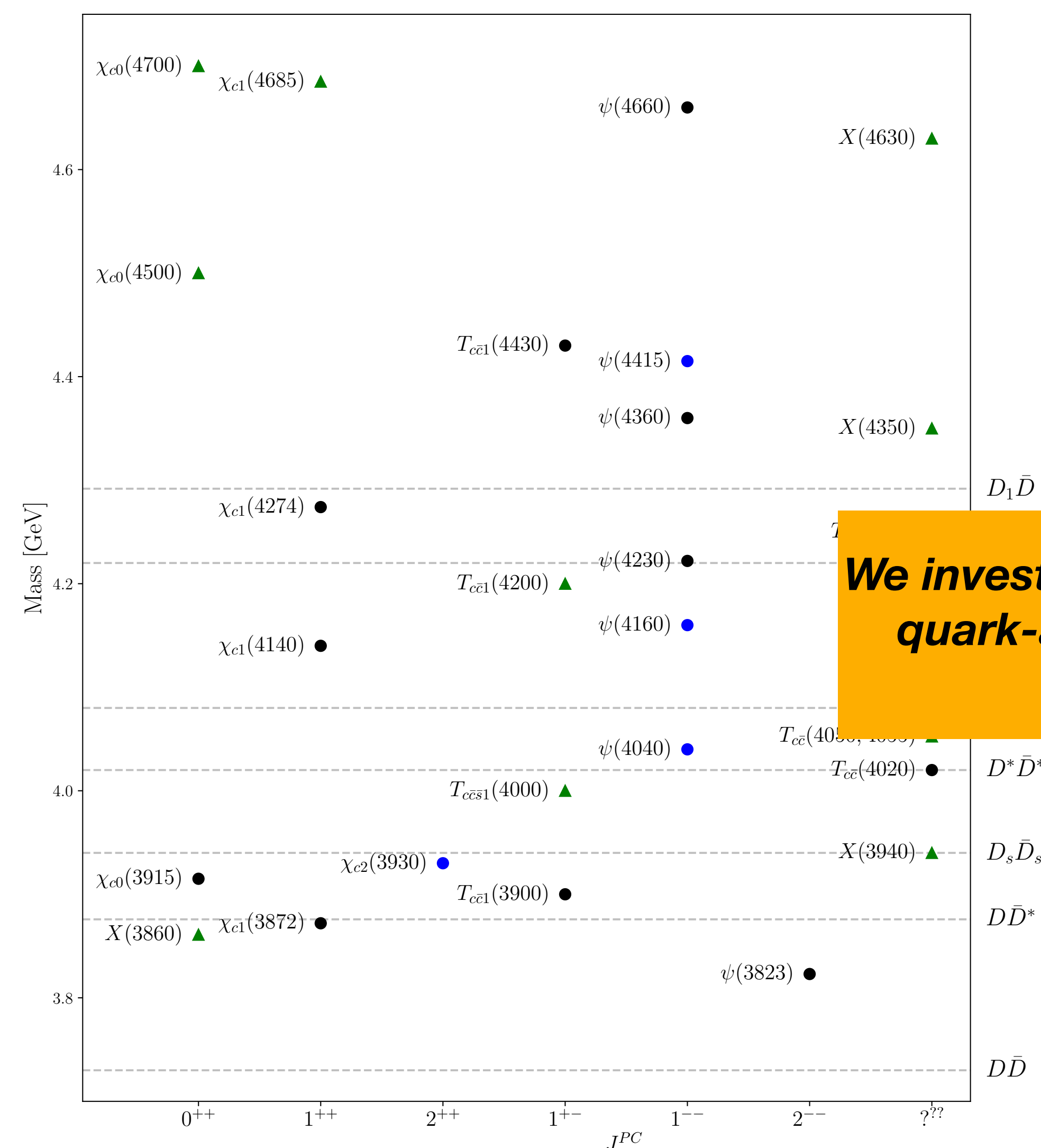
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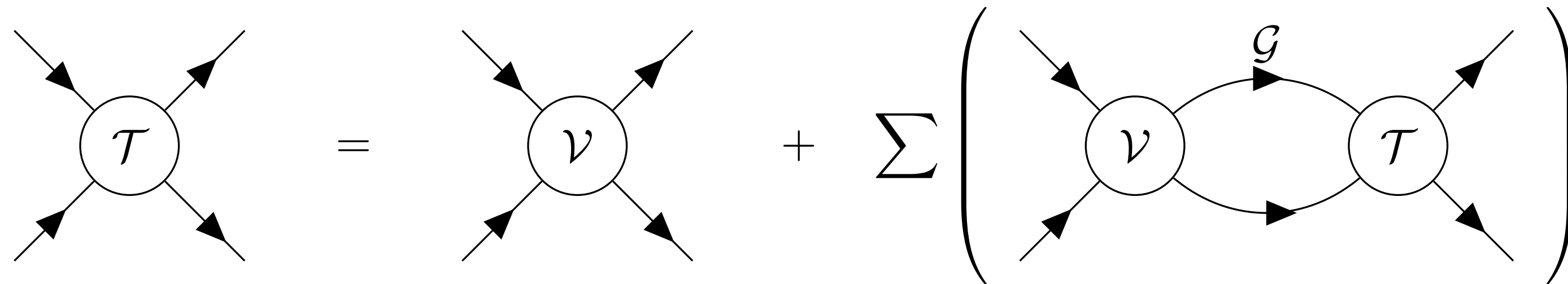
We investigate the production mechanism of the exotic states containing heavy quark-anti heavy quark pair using the *fully off-mass-shell* coupled-channel formalism within the meson-exchange framework.

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Coupled-channel formalism

Two-Body Scattering Equations

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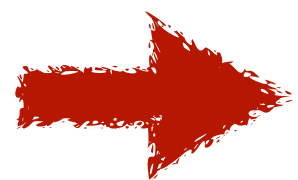
$$T = V + VGT$$

- The two-body T-matrix is obtained by solving the *Bethe-Salpeter* equation:

$$T_{fi} = V_{fi} + \sum_n \int \frac{d^4 k_1}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{d^4 k_2}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{V_{fn} T_{ni}}{(k_1^2 - m_1^2 + i\epsilon)(k_2^2 - m_2^2 + i\epsilon)}$$

- The three-dimensional reduction within the **Blankenbecler-Sugar** scheme preserves both unitarity and off-shell behavior:

$$G_k(q) = \frac{\pi}{\omega_1^k \omega_2^k} \delta \left(q^0 - \frac{\omega_1^k - \omega_2^k}{2} \right) \frac{\omega_1^k + \omega_2^k}{s - (\omega_1^k + \omega_2^k)^2 + i\epsilon}$$



$$T_{fi}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}') = V_{fi}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}') + \sum_n \int \frac{d^3 q}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{\omega_1^n + \omega_2^n}{s - (\omega_1^n + \omega_2^n)^2 - i\epsilon} V_{ni}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) T_{fn}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p}')$$

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- Projection onto total angular momentum

$$T_{fi}^J(p, p') = V_{fi}^J(p, p') + \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int_0^\infty dq \frac{\omega_1 + \omega_2}{2\omega_1\omega_2} \frac{q^2 V_{fk}^J(p, q) T_{ki}^J(q, p')}{s - (\omega_1 + \omega_2)^2 - i\varepsilon}$$

Matrix inversion method: $T^J = V^J + V^J G T^J \implies T^J = (1 - V^J G)^{-1} V^J$

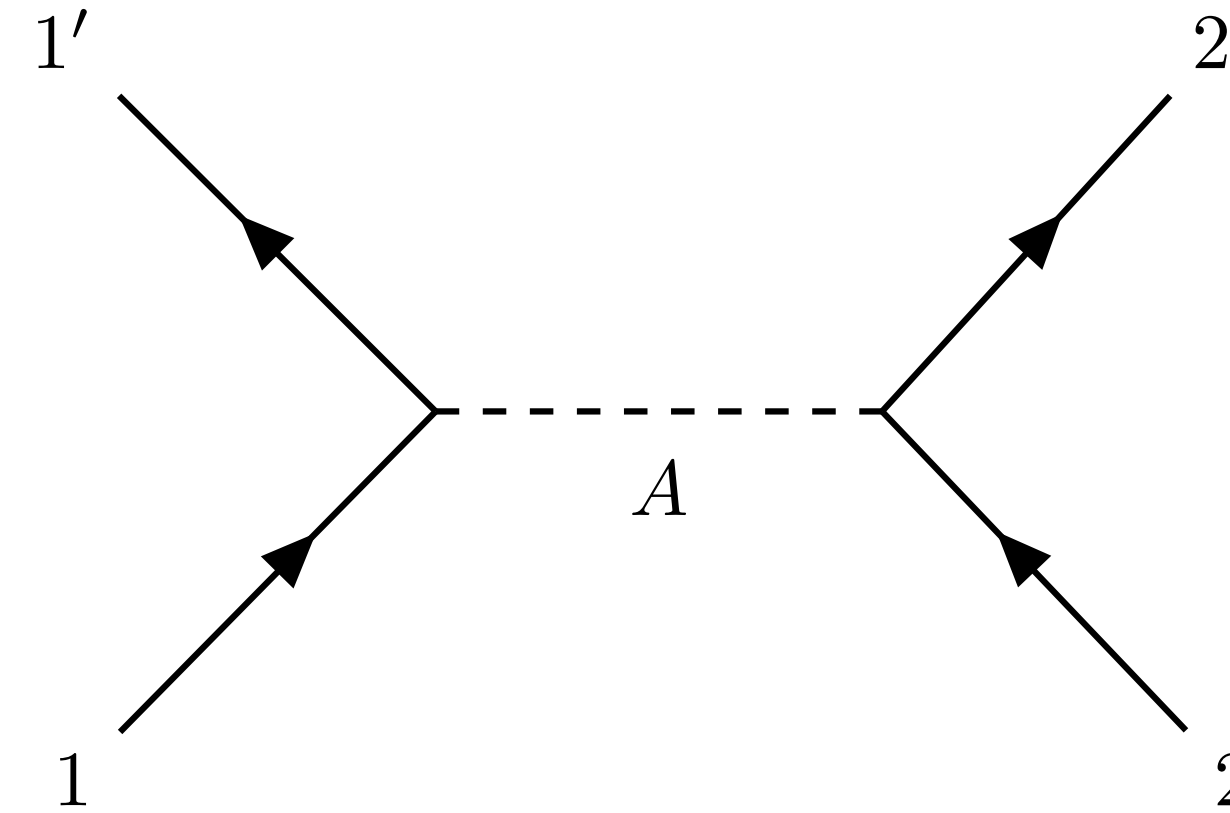
The *off-mass-shell* T matrix in the **full-channel momentum space**

$$\begin{matrix} & \overbrace{p_1 \cdots p_n}^{i=1} & \overbrace{p_1 \cdots p_n}^{i=2} & \cdots \\ f=1 & \left\{ \begin{matrix} p'_1 \\ \vdots \\ p'_n \end{matrix} \right. & \begin{pmatrix} & & \cdots \\ & & \\ & & \end{pmatrix} \\ f=2 & \left\{ \begin{matrix} p'_1 \\ \vdots \\ p'_n \end{matrix} \right. & \begin{pmatrix} & & \\ & & \\ & & \end{pmatrix} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{matrix}$$

Kernel amplitudes

- Scattering amplitudes

$$\mathcal{V}_{12 \rightarrow 1'2'} = \sum_A \mathcal{M}_{12 \rightarrow 1'2'}^A$$



$$\mathcal{M}_{12 \rightarrow 1'2'}^A = IS F^2(q^2) \Gamma_{11}^A \mathcal{P}^A \Gamma_{22}^A$$

- Since the hadron has a finite size, form factor is need to be considered at each vertex: $F(q^2) = \left(\frac{n\Lambda^2 - m_{\text{ex}}^2}{n\Lambda^2 - q^2} \right)^n$
- Reduced cutoff mass: $\Lambda_0 = \Lambda - m_{\text{ex}} = 600 \text{ MeV}$
- IS : product of the isospin symmetric factor from the isospin projection (for definite isospin channels) and SU(3) factor

Effective Lagrangian

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- **Heavy chiral Lagrangian**

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$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{heavy}} = ig\text{Tr}[H_b\gamma_\mu\gamma_5\mathcal{A}_{ba}^\mu\bar{H}_a] + i\beta\text{Tr}[H_b v^\mu(\mathcal{V}_\mu - \rho_\mu)_{ba}\bar{H}_a] + i\lambda\text{Tr}[H_b\sigma_{\mu\nu}F_{ba}^{\mu\nu}(\rho)\bar{H}_a] + g_\sigma\bar{H}_a H_a\sigma$$

A heavy-light meson is made up by a **heavy** quark Q and a **light** antiquark $\bar{q}$.

→ **Heavy Quark Spin Symmetry**(HQSS), **Heavy Quark Flavor Symmetry**(HQFS) + **Chiral symmetry**

- **Heavy superfield:** HQSS, HQFS, Lorentz invariance, Parity invariance

$$H^a = \frac{1 + \not{v}}{2}(P_\mu^{*a}\gamma^\mu - P^a\gamma_5), \quad \bar{H} = \gamma_0 H^\dagger \gamma_0 = (P_\mu^{*\dagger a}\gamma^\mu + P^{\dagger a}\gamma_5)\frac{1 + \not{v}}{2}$$

Pseudoscalar heavy field: $P^a = \{D^+, D^0, D_s^+\}$ or $\{B^-, \bar{B}^0, \bar{B}_s^0\}$

Vector heavy field: $P_\mu^{*a} = \{D_\mu^{*+}, D_\mu^{*0}, D_{s\mu}^{*+}\}$ or $\{B_\mu^{*-}, \bar{B}_\mu^{*0}, \bar{B}_{s\mu}^{*0}\}$

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- *Light pseudoscalar mesons*: chiral symmetry spontaneous break down

$$\mathcal{A}^\mu = \frac{i}{f_\pi}\partial^\mu\mathcal{M} + \dots \quad \mathcal{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\pi^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{6}} & \pi^+ & K^+ \\ \pi^- & -\frac{\pi^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{6}} & K^0 \\ K^- & \bar{K}^0 & -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\eta \end{pmatrix}$$

- *Light vector mesons*: dynamical gauge boson of the hidden local symmetry

$$\rho^\mu = i\frac{g_V}{\sqrt{2}}V^\mu, \quad V^\mu = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\rho^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\omega}{\sqrt{6}} & \rho^+ & K^{*+} \\ \rho^- & -\frac{\rho^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\omega}{\sqrt{6}} & K^{*0} \\ K^{*-} & \bar{K}^{*0} & -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\omega \end{pmatrix}^\mu$$

Numerical Results

Feynman amplitudes

- Kernel matrices

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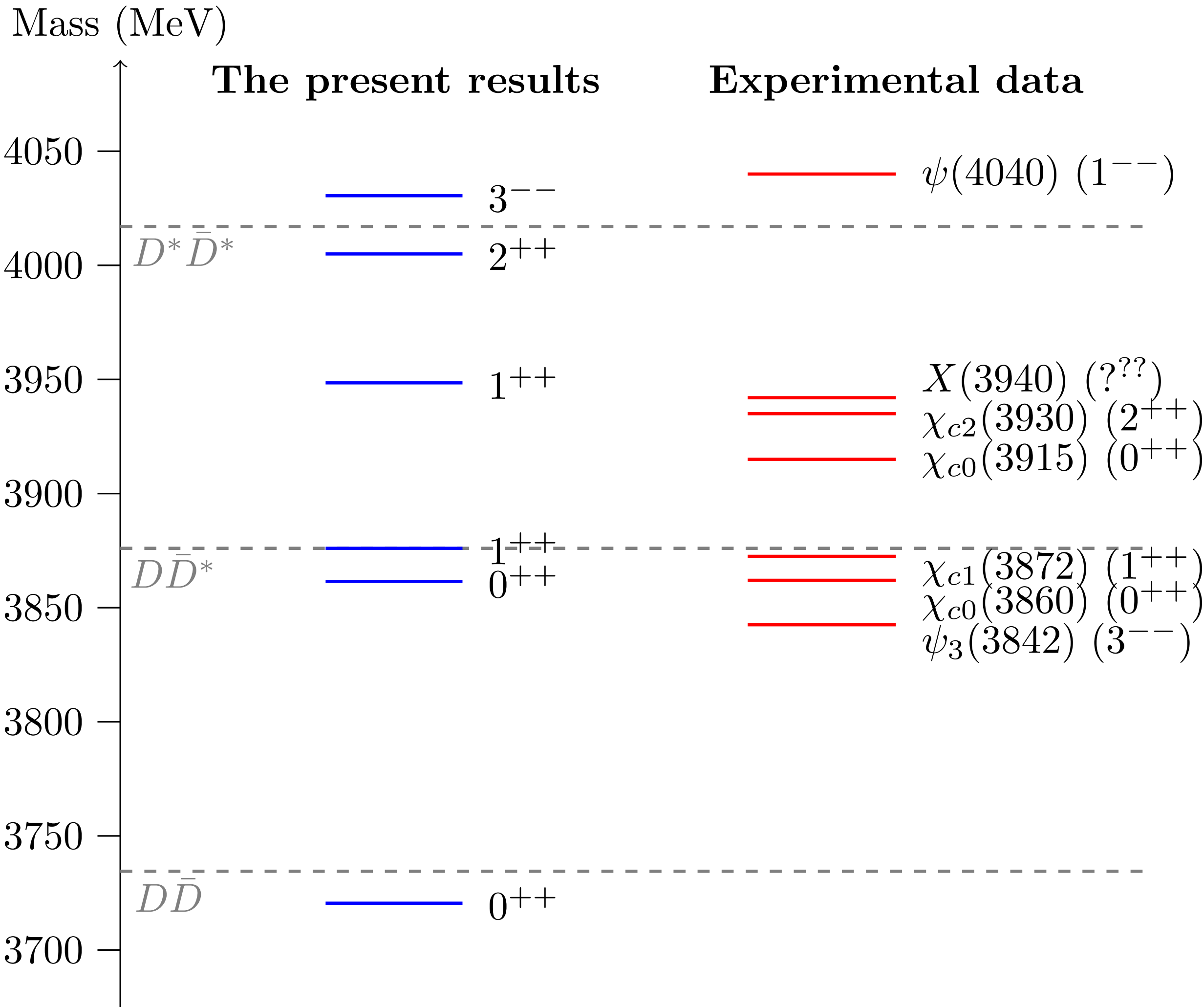
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Each kernel matrix element represents the sum of all allowed Feynman amplitudes

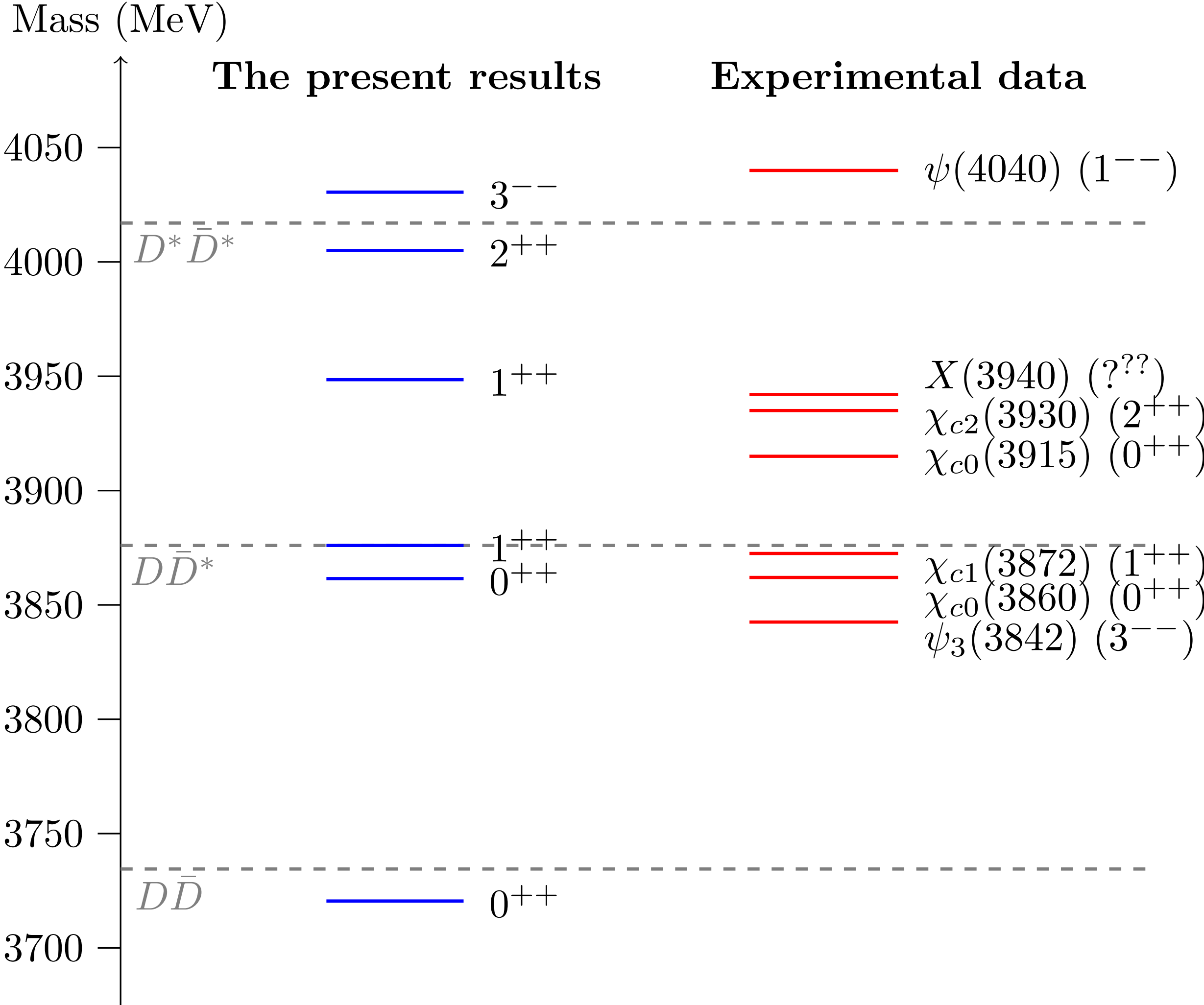
All elements are expressed in momentum space

We thus construct the *off-mass-shell* kernel matrix in the full coupled-channel momentum space

Mass spectrum in hidden-charm channel



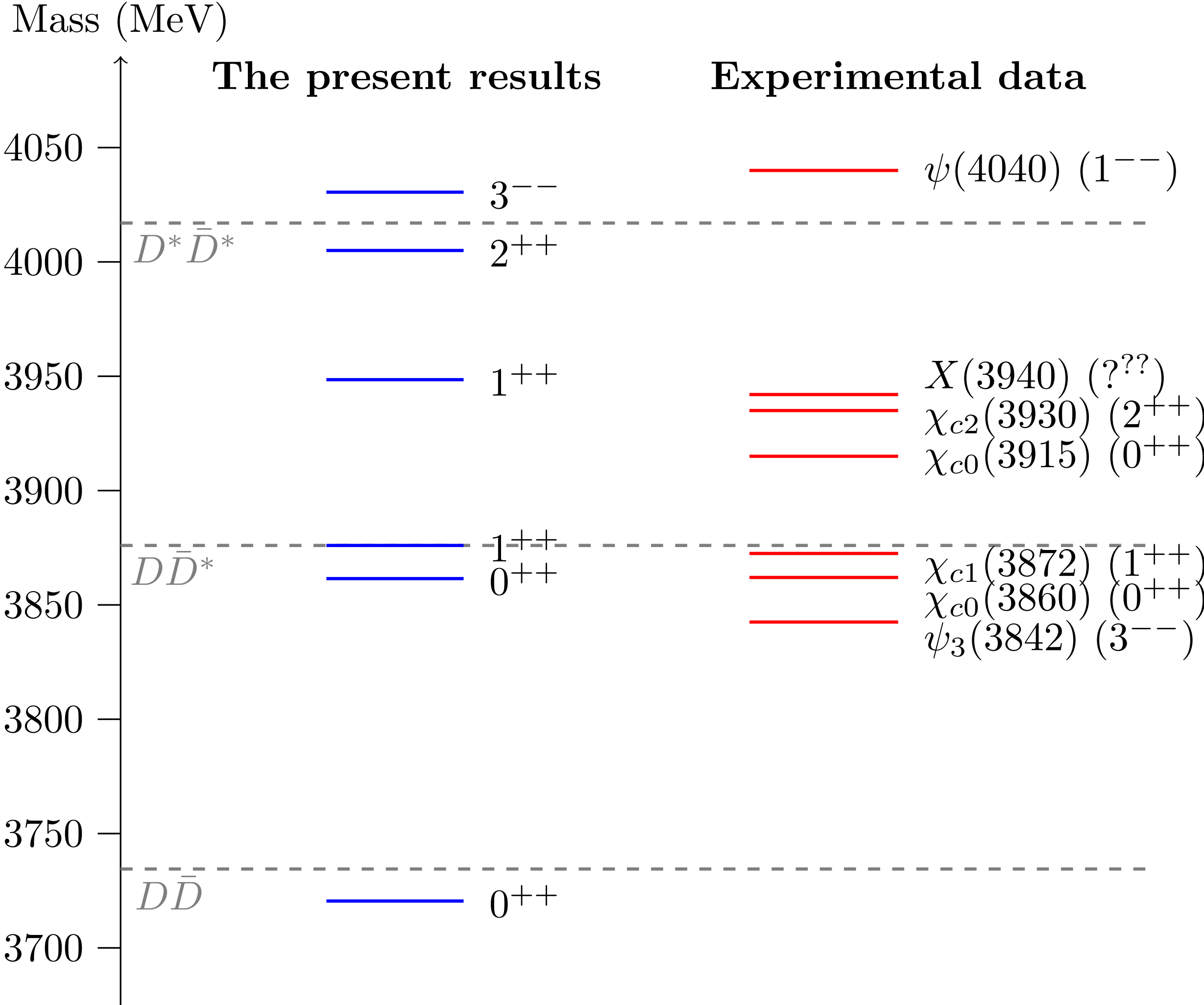
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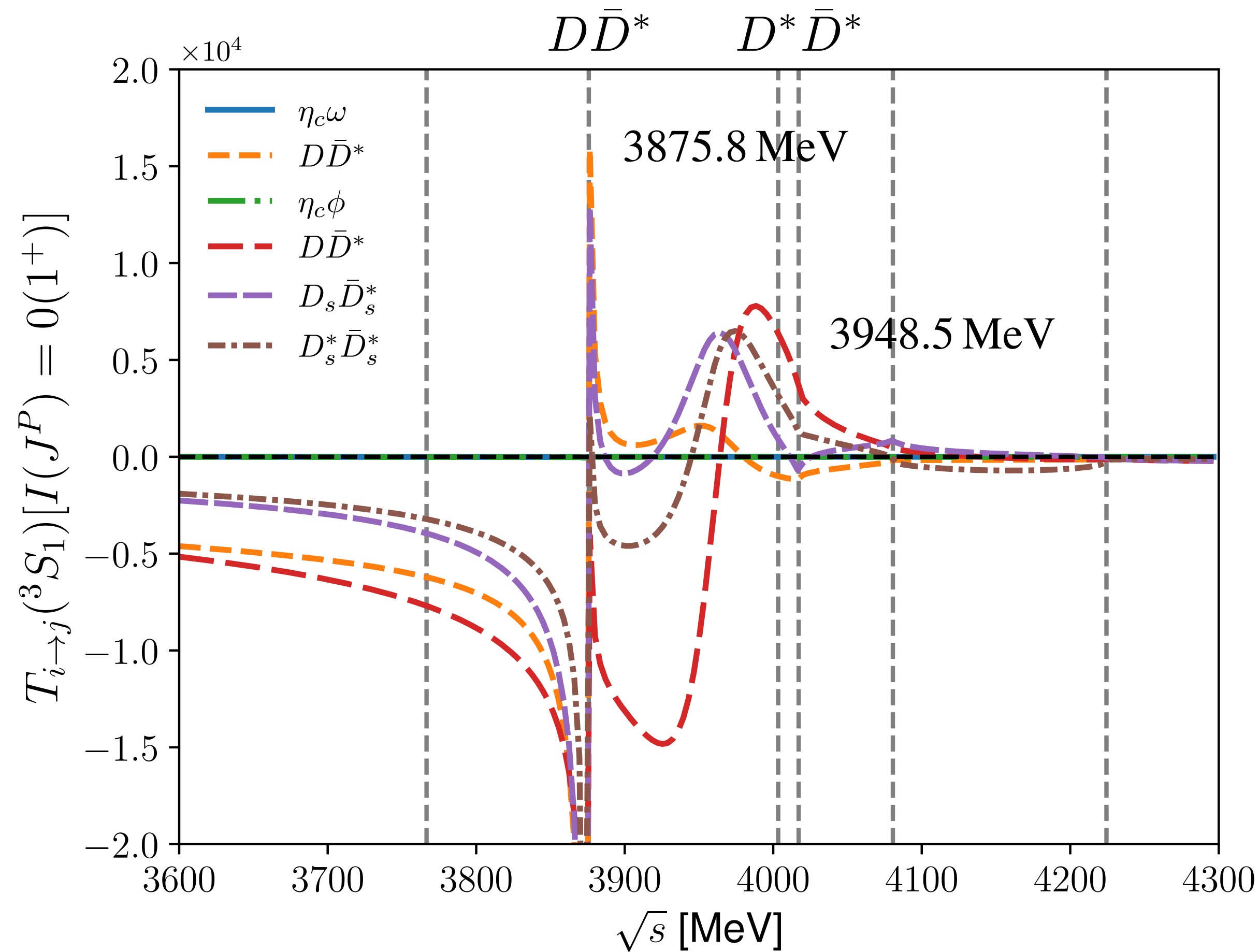
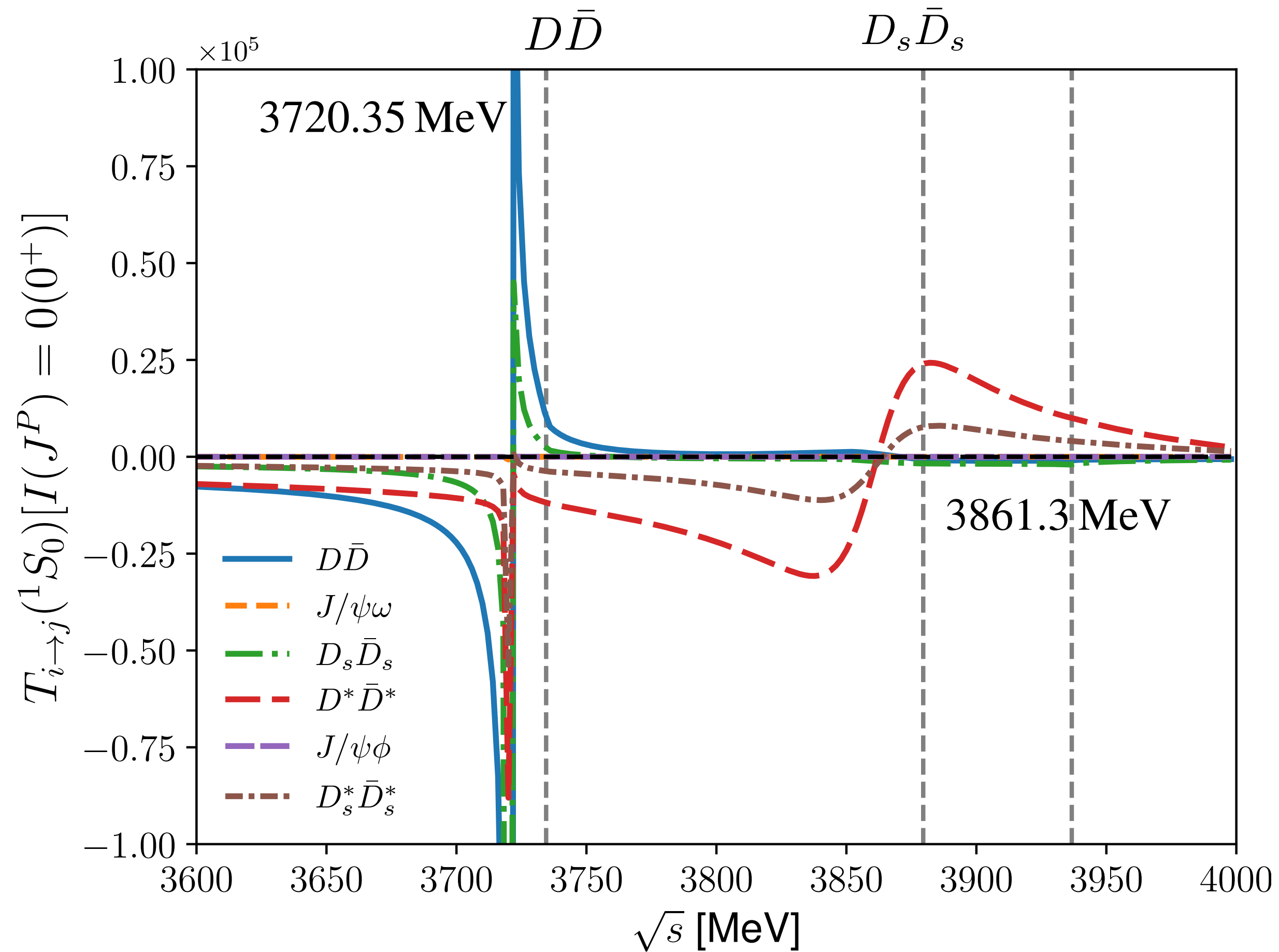
Experimental candidates:

- $\chi_{c0}(3860), \chi_{c0}(3915)$
- $\chi_{c1}(3872), X(3940)$
- $\chi_{c2}(3930)$
- $\psi_3(3842), \psi(4040)$

Fully-coupled T-matrices

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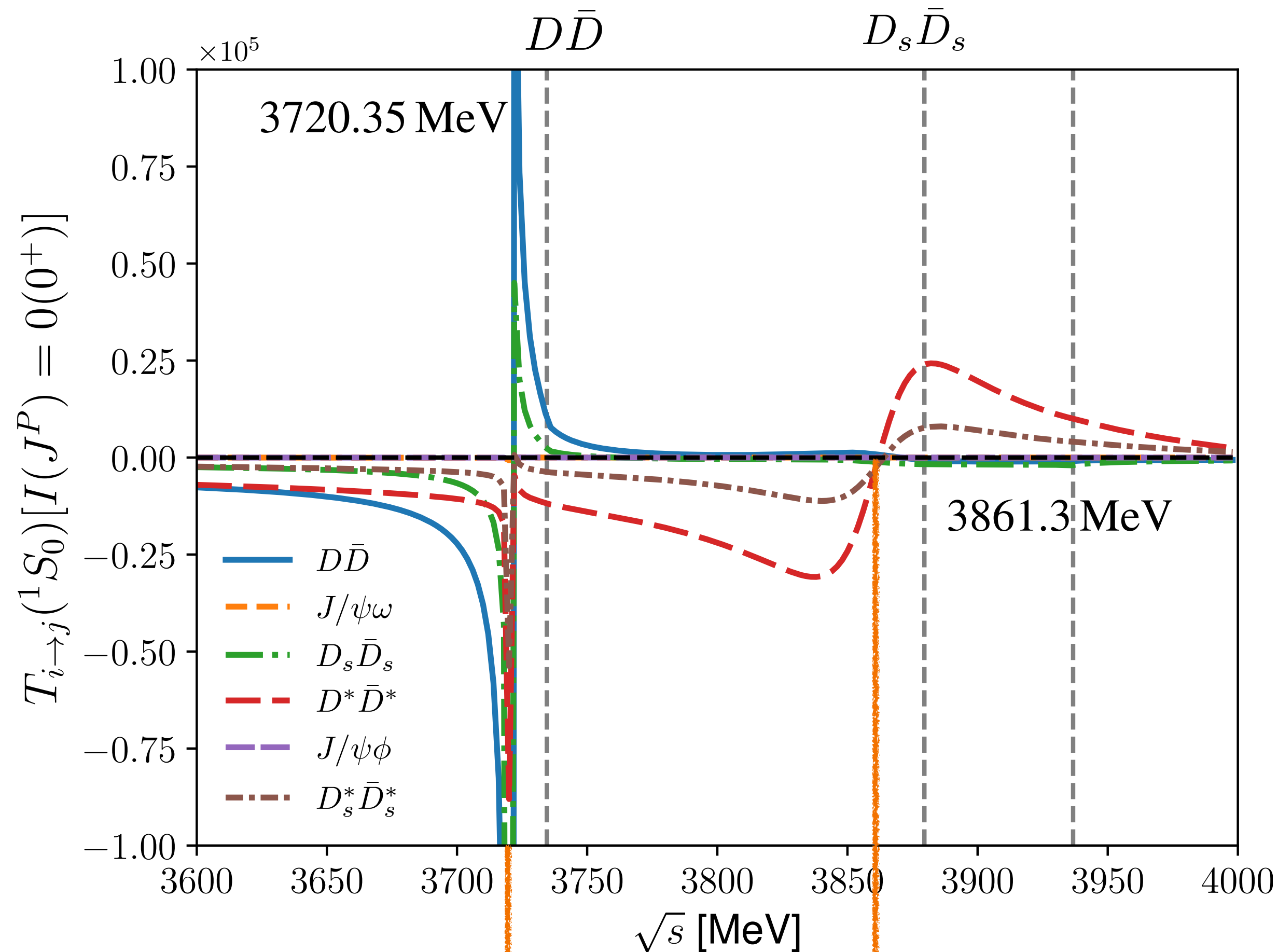
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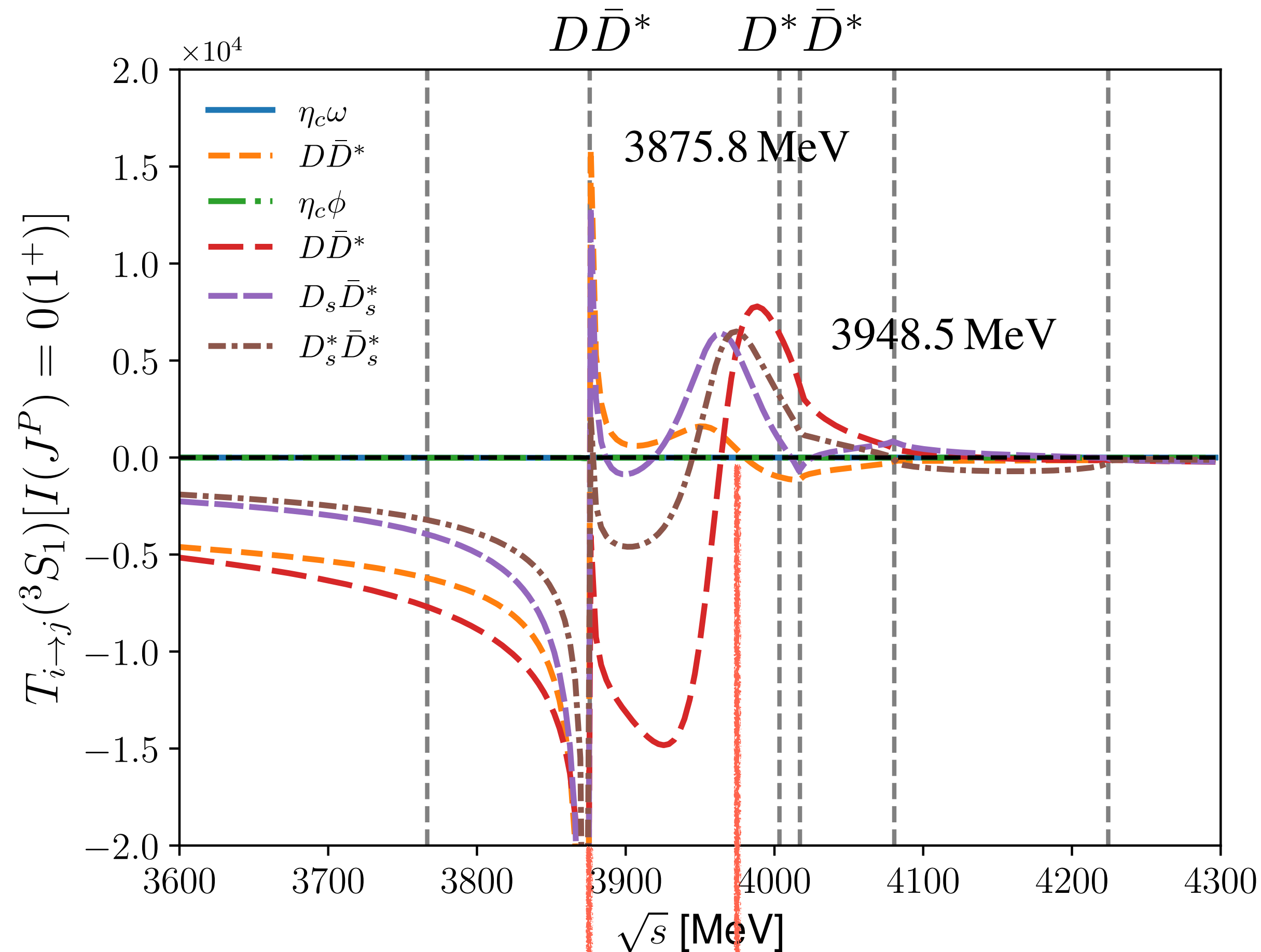


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seen in $D\bar{D}$ modes

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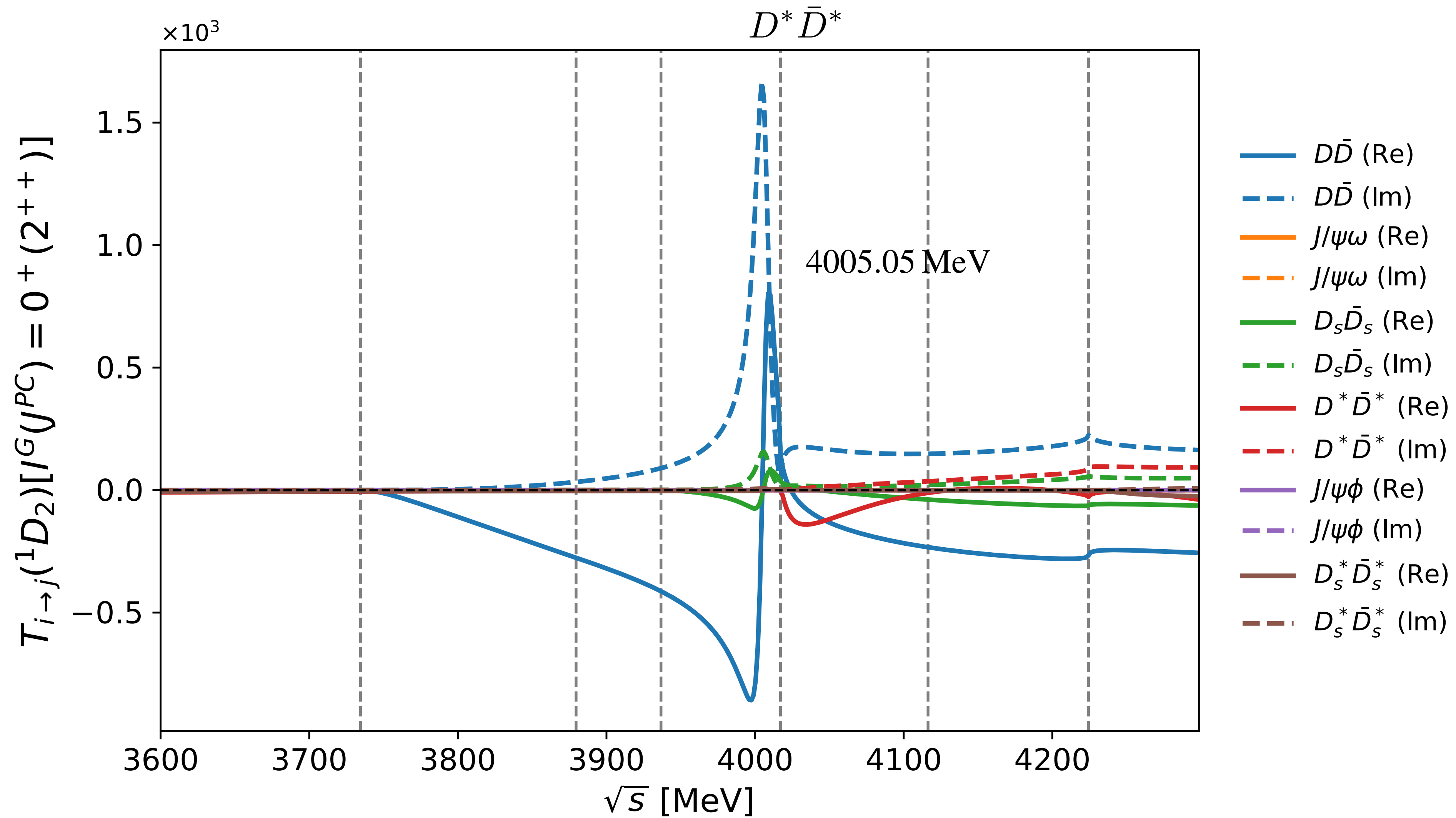
$\chi_{c1}(3872)$ $X(3940)$

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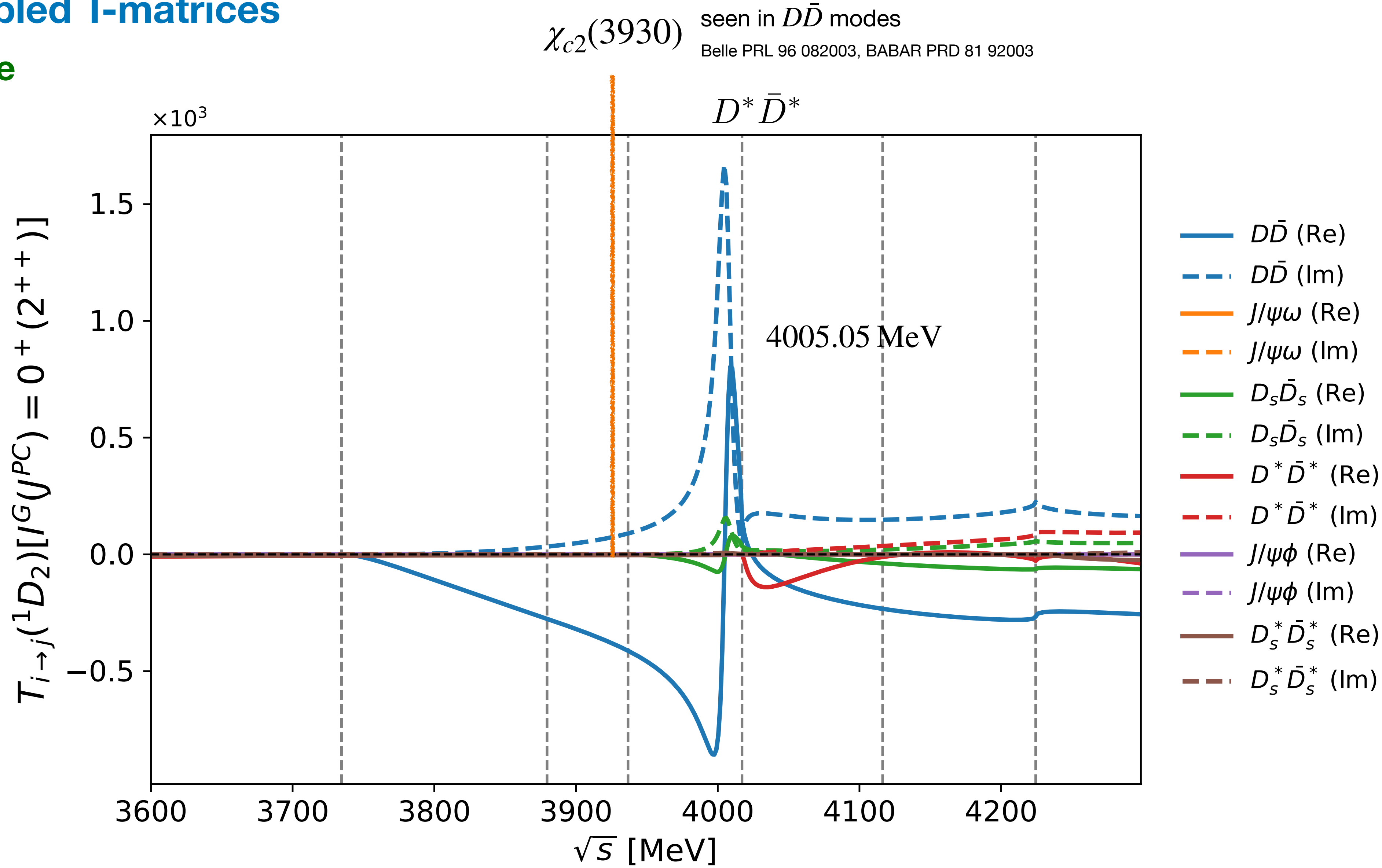
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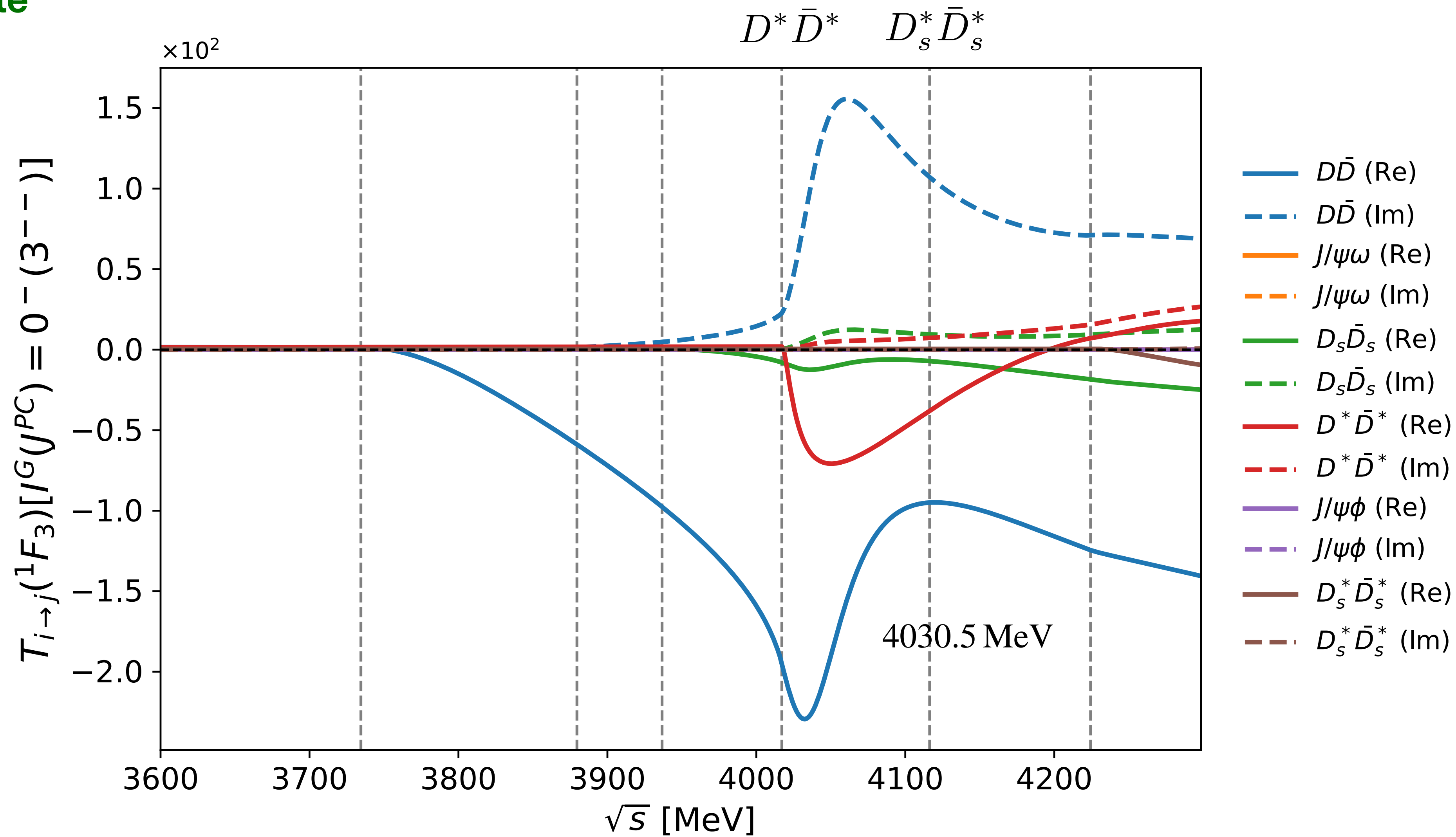
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Channel Coupling Strengths

• χ_{c0} states

$\sqrt{s_R}[\text{MeV}]$	3720.35	$3861.31 - i 22.5$
$g_{D\bar{D}}(^1S_0)$	<u>14.132</u>	$5.547 + i 5.774$
$g_{J/\psi \omega} (^1S_0)$	0.190	$0.561 - i 0.099$
$g_{D_s \bar{D}_s} (^1S_0)$	<u>7.484</u>	$2.272 + i 4.924$
$g_{D^* \bar{D}^*} (^1S_0)$	2.680	<u>$36.412 - i 16.022$</u>
$g_{J/\psi \phi} (^1S_0)$	0.178	$0.482 - i 0.074$
$g_{D_s^* \bar{D}_s^*} (^1S_0)$	2.228	<u>$20.894 - i 10.769$</u>

• χ_{c1} states

$\sqrt{s_R}[\text{MeV}]$	3875.80	$3948.5 - i 32.25$
$g_{\eta_c \omega} (^3S_1)$	0.016	$0.162 + i 0.249$
$g_{\eta_c \omega} (^3D_1)$	—	$0.104 - i 0.021$
$g_{D\bar{D}^*} (^3S_1)$	<u>0.732</u>	$4.018 + i 6.604$
$g_{D\bar{D}^*} (^3D_1)$	—	$0.130 - i 1.056$
$g_{\eta_c \phi} (^3S_1)$	0.016	$0.369 + i 0.188$
$g_{\eta_c \phi} (^3D_1)$	—	$0.002 + i 0.005$
$g_{D^* \bar{D}^*} (^3S_1)$	<u>0.526</u>	<u>$21.904 + i 0.316$</u>
$g_{D^* \bar{D}^*} (^3D_1)$	0.009	$0.144 + i 0.087$
$g_{D_s \bar{D}_s^*} (^3S_1)$	<u>0.729</u>	<u>$11.095 + i 8.403$</u>
$g_{D_s \bar{D}_s^*} (^3D_1)$	0.017	$0.117 + i 0.154$
$g_{D_s^* \bar{D}_s^*} (^3S_1)$	<u>0.501</u>	<u>$14.539 + i 5.397$</u>
$g_{D_s^* \bar{D}_s^*} (^3D_1)$	0.021	$0.424 + i 0.222$

Channel Coupling Strengths

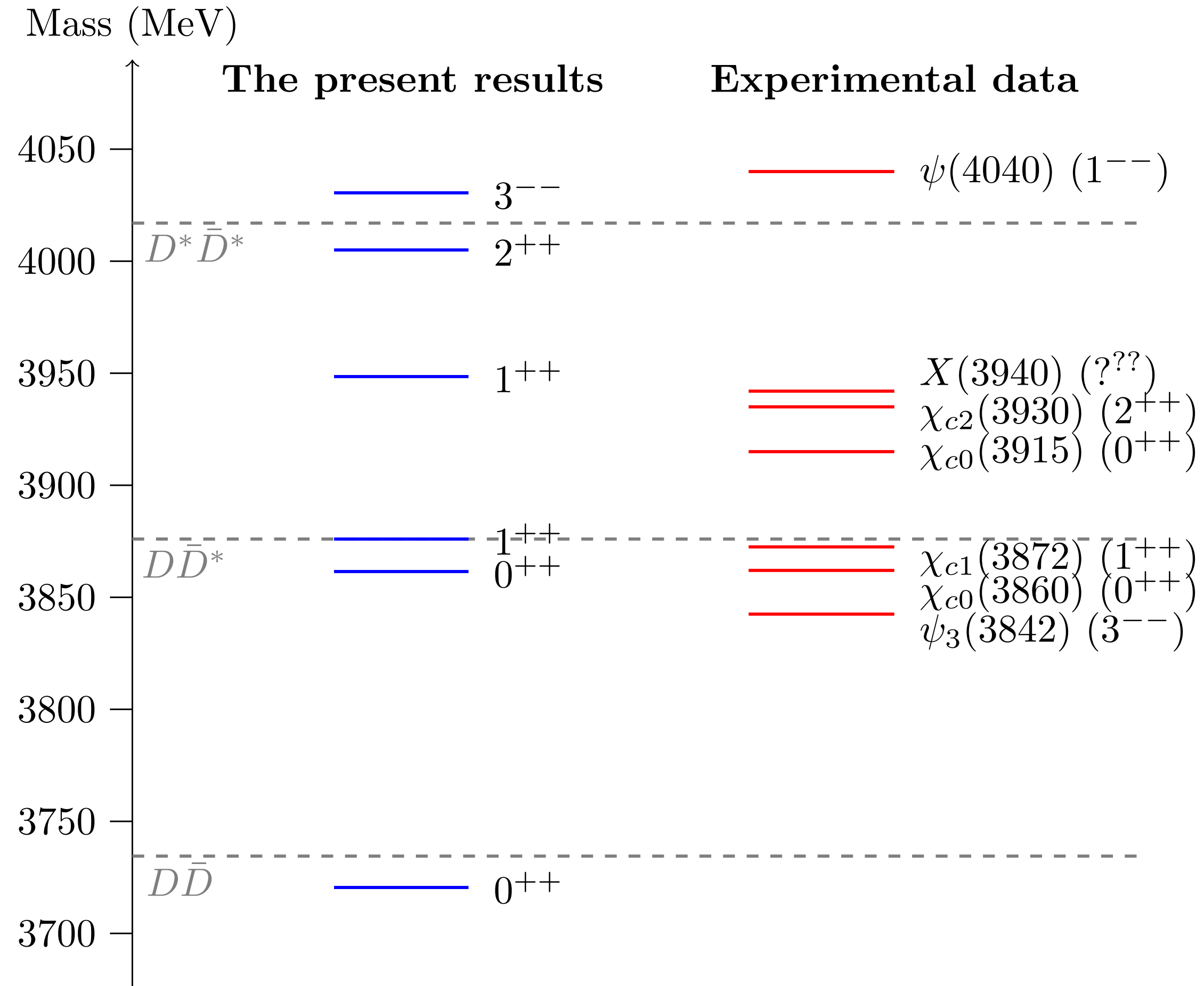
- χ_{c2} and ψ_3 states

TABLE III. Comparison of coupling strengths g_i for $\chi_{c2}(^1D_2)$ and $\psi_3(^1F_3)$.

$\sqrt{s_R}[\text{MeV}]$	4005.300 $- i$ 5.950		4030.380 $- i$ 33.330	
Channel	$g_i(\chi_{c2})$	$ g_i _{\chi_{c2}}$	$g_i(\psi_3)$	$ g_i _{\psi_3}$
$g_{D\bar{D}}$	2.415 $+ i$ 0.619	2.494	0.977 $- i$ 1.061	1.441
$g_{J/\psi\ \omega}$	$6.722 \times 10^{-4} - i\ 2.492 \times 10^{-3}$	0.003	$9.233 \times 10^{-4} - i\ 3.240 \times 10^{-3}$	0.003
$g_{D_s\bar{D}_s}$	$0.766 + i\ 7.944 \times 10^{-2}$	0.770	$0.261 - i\ 0.330$	0.421
$g_{D^*\bar{D}^*}$	$1.561 \times 10^{-2} + i\ 1.180 \times 10^{-2}$	0.020	$0.209 - i\ 0.147$	0.255
$g_{J/\psi\ \phi}$	$2.879 \times 10^{-4} + i\ 3.495 \times 10^{-5}$	0.000	$8.131 \times 10^{-6} - i\ 1.194 \times 10^{-5}$	0.000
$g_{D_s^*\bar{D}_s^*}$	$0.165 + i\ 4.324 \times 10^{-2}$	0.170	$1.707 \times 10^{-4} - i\ 1.040 \times 10^{-3}$	0.001

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- Using the fully off-mass-shell coupled-channel formalism, we have investigated the spectrum and production mechanisms of hidden-charm exotic mesons.
- Our results predict several bound and resonance states near the relevant open-charm thresholds, as summarized in the figure on the left.
- For χ_{cJ} states, we predict a $D\bar{D}$ bound state at 3720 MeV and a higher χ_{c2} state at 4005 MeV.
- Our χ_{c1} at 3948 MeV exhibits properties quite similar to those of the $X(3940)$ state.
- A ψ_3 -like state is found above the $D^*\bar{D}^*$ threshold with significant coupling to the $D\bar{D}$ channel.

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