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Radiative decays of the radially excited charmonium resonance, $\psi(2S)$, into $\pi\pi$, $KK$ and $\eta\eta$ final states have been measured in a sample of $4.02 \times 10^6 \psi(2S)$ events collected by the BES Collaboration. The branching ratios $B(\psi(2S)\rightarrow\gamma\rho(1700))=2.12\pm0.19\pm0.32\times10^{-4}$ and $B(\psi(2S)\rightarrow\gamma\rho(1710)) \times B(\rho(1710)\rightarrow K^+K^-)=(3.02\pm0.45\pm0.66)\times10^{-5}$ are obtained. When compared to the corresponding radiative $J/\psi$ decays, the observed $\phi(2S)$ radiative decay rates into $\gamma\rho(1270)$ and $\gamma\rho(1710)$ are consistent with the prediction of the “12%” rule.

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I. MOTIVATION

In perturbative QCD, the dominant process of $J/\psi$ and $\psi(2S)$ hadronic decay is $c\bar{c}$ annihilation into three gluons. Since the decay width is proportional to the amplitude of the $c\bar{c}$ wave function at the origin, $|\Psi(0)|^2$, the branching fractions of $J/\psi$ and $\psi(2S)$ decays into light quark states are related as [1].

\[
\frac{B(\psi(2S) \rightarrow h)}{B(J/\psi \rightarrow h)} = \frac{B(\psi(2S) \rightarrow ggg)}{B(J/\psi \rightarrow ggg)} = \frac{B(\psi(2S) \rightarrow e^+ e^-)}{B(J/\psi \rightarrow e^+ e^-)} = (12.3 \pm 0.7)\%.
\] (1)

This relation is called the 12% rule. The prediction was originally made for the total decay width into three gluons. Since the partial widths of individual channels involving the initial annihilation of $c\bar{c}$ quarks are also functions of $|\Psi(0)|^2$, we expect this rule to be generally valid.

Results from the Mark II experiment [2] show that while many of the $\psi(2S)$ hadronic decay channels obey this rule, it is severely violated in vector plus pseudoscalar (VP) final states such as $\rho \pi$ and $K^* \bar{K}^*$—the so-called $\rho \pi$ puzzle. These decays are strongly suppressed and yield ratios <0.65% and <1.1% respectively. In the BES experiment [3], we reported heavy suppression in the vector plus tensor (VT) final states such as $K^* \bar{K}^*$, $\rho \pi$, and $K^* K^*$—the so-called $\rho \pi$ puzzle. This paper explores the $\psi(2S)$ radiative decays into pairs of pseudoscalars, $\pi \pi$, $K \bar{K}$ and $\eta \eta$, and reports the first branching fraction measurements of $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma f_0(1270)$ and $\gamma f_0(1710)$. The branching fractions of $\chi_{c0}$ and $\chi_{c2}$ decays into $\pi \pi$ and $\eta \eta$ are also reported.

The $f_0(1710)$ has been observed with a large branching ratio in radiative decays of $J/\psi$ into $K \bar{K}$, but not in the reaction $K^- p \rightarrow K K \Lambda$ by the LASS experiment [5]. The latter result excludes $f_0(1710)$ as a conventional $s \bar{s}$ state and makes it a leading glueball candidate. Thus whether $f_0(1710)$ can be seen in the radiative $\psi(2S)$ decays is quite interesting.

II. BES DETECTOR

This study uses a subset of the 4.02 million $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \psi(2S)$ events [6] logged by the BES detector operating at the Beijing Electron Positron Collider (BEPC) storage ring at $\sqrt{s} \sim 3.686$ GeV. A detailed description of the BES detector can be found elsewhere [7]. It features a 40-layer main drift chamber (MDC) in a 0.4 T solenoidal magnetic field providing a momentum resolution of $\sigma_{p/p} = 1.7\% \sqrt{1+p^2}$ (GeV/c) and a $dE/dx$ resolution of 9% for hadron tracks. Outside the MDC cylinder is an array of 48 scintillation counters of the time-of-flight (TOF) system with a resolution of 450 ps for hadrons. A 24-layer lead-gas barrel electromagnetic shower calorimeter (BSC), outside of the TOF system, provides an energy resolution of $\sigma_E/E = 0.22\sqrt{E}$ (GeV), and spatial resolutions of $\sigma_\phi = 4.5$ mrad and $\sigma_\rho = 12$ mrad ($\theta$ and $\phi$ are the polar angle and azimuthal angle of the cylinder shape detector). The BSC is surrounded by a magnetic coil and steel plates (for magnetic flux return). There is a 3-layer gas proportional tube detector (the $\mu$ counter) interleaved with the steel plates to identify $\mu$ tracks.

The photons used in this analysis are detected as showers in the BSC. Showers within $8^\circ$ of each other are regarded as split showers of a single photon candidate and their energies are combined. For charged tracks, only those that fall in the fiducial region $|\cos \theta| < 0.8$ are used. Charged tracks identified as electrons or positrons by the BSC or identified as $\mu^+$ or $\mu^-$ by the $\mu$ counter are rejected. TOF information, $dE/dx$ information and kinematic fitting are used to identify charged particles. Kinematic fits are applied to improve momentum measurements and mass resolutions, as well as to resolve combinatorial ambiguities if more than one combination is possible in the same event.

III. $\psi(2S)$ NORMALIZATION

To determine branching fractions, the total number of $\psi(2S)$ events is required. BES determined this number by using the observed number of decays of $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi$, $J/\psi \rightarrow$ anything, and the branching fraction for this decay, $B(\psi(2S) \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi)$, which is $(30.5 \pm 1.6)\%$ [8]. The total number of $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi$ events observed in the full BES data sample is $(1.227 \pm 0.003 \pm 0.017) \times 10^6$ [6,9,10]. Because our results depend on $B(\psi(2S) \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi)$, this paper also provides ratios of branching fractions to $B(\psi(2S) \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi)$. They are obtained from the corrected numbers of events in various channels divided by the corrected number of events of $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi$, $J/\psi \rightarrow$ anything. (See Table III and Table V.)

IV. $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma \pi^+ \pi^-$ ANALYSIS

Here the analysis of decays into both charged and neutral pion pairs, $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma \pi^+ \pi^-$ and $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma \pi^0 \pi^0$, is described. In the charged channel, events are selected with two oppositely charged tracks and at least one photon. Kinematic fit, TOF, and $dE/dx$ information are combined, and the probability for the two pion hypothesis is required to be greater than 1% and also to be greater than the joint probability for the two kaon hypothesis. The solid-line histogram of Fig. 1 is the $\pi^+ \pi^-$ invariant mass distribution below 2.5 GeV. A clear $\rho$ signal is observed. This $\rho$ signal is not due to $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma \rho$ production but is from the initial state radiation process $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \gamma \rho$. This background and the smooth background from $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \gamma \mu^+ \mu^-$ are also present when we use the same analysis on the $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$ scan data taken by BES.
at $\sqrt{s} = 3.55 - 3.6$ GeV [below $\psi(2S)$ threshold] [11,12], and the mass distribution from the $\tau\tau$ scan can be used to represent these backgrounds in the $\psi(2S)$ sample. The $\pi^+\pi^-$ mass distribution taken from the $\tau$ scan data [normalized to the same integrated luminosity as the $\psi(2S)$ data] is also shown in Fig. 1 as the dashed line. In the fitting, backgrounds are removed by assigning each $\psi(2S)$ event a weight of 1 and each $\tau$ event a weight of $-w$ in the likelihood function for the mass fit. Here $w$ is the ratio of the integrated luminosities of these two data sets. Figure 2(a) shows the result of subtracting the $\tau\tau$ scan histogram normalized to the $\psi(2S)$ from the $\psi(2S)$ histogram.

In the neutral mode, events are required to have at least 5 photon candidates and no charged tracks. A six-constraint fit is made to all possible $\gamma\pi^0\pi^0$ combinations with two $\pi^0$ resonances. The combination with the smallest fit $\chi^2$ is selected. A four-constraint fit is also applied on that combination and $|M_{\gamma\gamma} - M_{\rho\rho}| < 70$ MeV is required. Because radiative background processes that are possible for the charged mode, such as $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\rho$ and $\gamma\mu^+\mu^-$, cannot appear in the pure-neutral-track final states, subtraction of the normalized $\tau$ data is not needed here. The resulting mass distribution is shown in Fig. 2(b).

In both the $\pi^+\pi^-$ and $\pi^0\pi^0$ invariant mass distributions, clear $f_2(1270)$ signals are observed. Both distributions are fitted with a $D$-wave Breit-Wigner function with the resonant parameters fixed at the Particle Data Group (PDG) [8] values for the $f_2(1270)$. An $S$-wave Breit-Wigner with mass and width fixed at the PDG values for the $f_0(1710)$ is included in the mass fitting in the $\gamma\pi^+\pi^-$ channel in order to describe the line shape in that region. A phase space background is included in the $\gamma\pi^0\pi^0$ channel. The fit yields $200.6 \pm 18.8$ events and $29.9 \pm 11.1$ events above background, as shown in Fig. 2(a) and Fig. 2(b), respectively.

Branching fractions of $B(\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma f_2(1270)) = (2.08 \pm 0.19 \pm 0.33) \times 10^{-4}$ from the $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma\pi^+\pi^-$ channel and $B(\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma f_2(1270)) = (2.90 \pm 1.08 \pm 1.07) \times 10^{-4}$ from the $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma\pi^0\pi^0$ channel are obtained using the total number of $\psi(2S)$ events and detection efficiencies, which are determined from Monte Carlo simulations, of 43.8% and 9.6%, respectively. The combined result from these two channels is

$$B(\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma f_2(1270)) = (2.12 \pm 0.19 \pm 0.32) \times 10^{-4}.$$ 

Here and below, the first error is statistical and the second is
systematic. The latter includes uncertainties from varying the cuts, the shape of the background, and the uncertainty from the total number of $\psi(2S)$ events. Compared with the corresponding branching fraction from $J/\psi$ decay, this result is consistent with the “12%” rule [8], as shown in Table I.  

A $f_0(1710)$ signal is observed in the $\pi^+\pi^-$ invariant mass distribution, as shown in Fig. 2(a). The number of $f_0(1710)$ events above background is 35.6 ± 4.8. The Monte Carlo determined efficiency for this channel is 45.4%, and the resulting branching fractions are

$$B(\psi(2S) \rightarrow f_0(1710)) \times B(f_0(1710) \rightarrow \pi \pi) = (3.01 \pm 0.41 \pm 1.24) \times 10^{-5}.$$  

The region with a $\pi^+\pi^-$ invariant mass greater than 3 GeV has been presented elsewhere [13]. The region with a $\pi^0\pi^0$ invariant mass greater than 3 GeV [see Fig. 3(a)] has signal peaks due to the $\chi_{c0}$ and $\chi_{c2}$ charmonium states. This mass distribution is fitted with two Breit-Wigner resonances plus a polynomial background function, and 96.9 ± 11.1 and 20.8 ± 5.8 events are obtained for $\chi_{c0}$ and $\chi_{c2}$, respectively. The detection efficiencies are 10.5% and 8.2%, and the resulting branching fractions are

$$B(\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0) = (2.79 \pm 0.32 \pm 0.57) \times 10^{-3}$$

and

$$B(\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0) = (9.8 \pm 2.7 \pm 5.6) \times 10^{-4}.$$  

The detection efficiencies, branching fraction acceptances, and final results for the decays described in this section are summarized in Tables II–V.

V. $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma KK$ ANALYSIS

Here the analysis of decays into charged and neutral kaon pairs, $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma K^+K^-$ and $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma K^0\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \gamma 4\pi^\pm$, is presented. For the $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma K^+K^-$ channel, cuts similar to those for the $\gamma \pi^+\pi^-$ analysis are used, but with the requirement that the combined probability of particle identification and kinematic fit for two kaon hypothesis should be greater than 1% and should be greater than the combined probability for the two pion hypothesis. QED backgrounds such as $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma \phi \rightarrow \gamma K^+K^-$ and $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma \mu^+\mu^-$ are determined using the $\sigma$ scan data (see Fig. 4). A $f_0(1710)$ signal and a hint of a possible $f_2(1525)$ signal (Fig. 5) are observed. The mass distribution is fitted using $S$-wave and $D$-wave Breit-Wigner functions with masses and widths fixed at the PDG values for $f_0(1710)$ and $f_2(1525)$, respectively. The fit yields 39.6 ± 5.9 $f_0(1710)$ events above background. The detection efficiency is 33.6%, giving a branching fraction

$$B(\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma f_0(1710)) \times B(f_0(1710) \rightarrow K^+K^-) = (3.02 \pm 0.45 \pm 0.66) \times 10^{-5}.$$  

The systematic error includes the uncertainties from varying the cuts and the total number of $\psi(2S)$’s. The uncertainties

![FIG. 3. Invariant mass of (a) $\pi^0\pi^0$ and (b) $\eta\eta$. The curves are Breit-Wigner functions to describe the $\chi_{c0}$ and $\chi_{c2}$ along with a polynomial to describe the background.](image-url)
TABLE II. Numbers of events before and after correction for efficiency and branching fraction acceptance. Branching fraction acceptance factors include branching fractions from intermediate decays processes such as $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$, $\eta \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$, $K_S^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$, $f_2(1270) \rightarrow \pi \pi$, etc. They do not include iso-spin factors.

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<tr>
<th>Mode</th>
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<th>Branching fractions correction factor</th>
<th>Number of events after correction</th>
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<tr>
<td>$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma f_2(1270)$ from $\gamma \pi^+ \pi^-$</td>
<td>200.8 ± 18.8</td>
<td>43.8%</td>
<td>0.847 ± 0.024</td>
<td>540.7 ± 50.6 ± 81.9</td>
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<td>$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma f_2(1270)$ from $\gamma \pi^0 \pi^0$</td>
<td>29.9 ± 11.1</td>
<td>9.6%</td>
<td>0.827 ± 0.028</td>
<td>376.7 ± 139.9 ± 138.1</td>
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<td>$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma f_0(1710) \rightarrow \gamma \pi \pi$ from $\gamma \pi^+ \pi^-$</td>
<td>35.6 ± 4.8</td>
<td>45.4%</td>
<td>1.0 ± 0.0</td>
<td>78.4 ± 10.7 ± 32.0</td>
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<tr>
<td>$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma f_0(1710) \rightarrow \gamma K^+ K^-$</td>
<td>39.6 ± 5.9</td>
<td>33.6%</td>
<td>1.0 ± 0.0</td>
<td>117.9 ± 17.6 ± 24.9</td>
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<td>$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma f_0(1710) \rightarrow \gamma K_S^0 K_S^0$</td>
<td>6.8 ± 3.1</td>
<td>18.0%</td>
<td>0.471 ± 0.003</td>
<td>80.3 ± 36.6 ± 41.9</td>
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TABLE III. Branching fractions and ratios of branching fractions [$B/B(\psi(2S) \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi)$] for $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma X \rightarrow \gamma P \bar{P}$ modes ($P$ stands for pseudo-scalar).

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<th>Mode</th>
<th>$B \times 10^{-4}$</th>
<th>$B/B(\psi(2S) \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi) \times 10^{-4}$</th>
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<tr>
<td>$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma f_2(1270)$ from $\gamma \pi^+ \pi^-$</td>
<td>2.08 ± 0.19 ± 0.33</td>
<td>6.82 ± 0.64 ± 1.04</td>
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<td>$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma f_2(1270)$ from $\gamma \pi^0 \pi^0$</td>
<td>2.90 ± 1.08 ± 1.07</td>
<td>9.52 ± 3.53 ± 3.49</td>
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<tr>
<td>$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma f_2(1270)$ from $\gamma \pi \pi$</td>
<td>2.12 ± 0.19 ± 0.32</td>
<td>6.99 ± 0.64 ± 1.00</td>
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<td>$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma f_0(1710) \rightarrow \gamma \pi \pi$ from $\gamma \pi^+ \pi^-$</td>
<td>0.301 ± 0.041 ± 0.124</td>
<td>0.99 ± 0.14 ± 0.40</td>
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<td>$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma f_0(1710) \rightarrow \gamma K^+ K^-$</td>
<td>0.302 ± 0.045 ± 0.066</td>
<td>0.99 ± 0.15 ± 0.21</td>
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<td>$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma f_0(1710) \rightarrow \gamma K_S^0 K_S^0$</td>
<td>0.206 ± 0.094 ± 0.108</td>
<td>0.68 ± 0.31 ± 0.35</td>
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TABLE IV. Numbers of events corrected for efficiency and branching fraction acceptance for $\chi_c$, decay.

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<tr>
<th>Mode</th>
<th>Number of event from mass fitting</th>
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<th>Branching fractions correction factor</th>
<th>Number of events after correction</th>
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<tr>
<td>$\chi_c^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$</td>
<td>96.9 ± 11.1</td>
<td>10.5%</td>
<td>0.9761 ± 0.0005</td>
<td>945.4 ± 108.3 ± 163.8</td>
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<tr>
<td>$\chi_c^2 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$</td>
<td>20.8 ± 5.8</td>
<td>8.2%</td>
<td>0.9761 ± 0.0005</td>
<td>259.9 ± 72.5 ± 145.8</td>
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<tr>
<td>$\chi_c^0 \rightarrow \eta \eta$</td>
<td>12.7 ± 5.3</td>
<td>11.9%</td>
<td>0.1554 ± 0.0014</td>
<td>686.3 ± 286.4 ± 187.9</td>
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<td>$\chi_c^2 \rightarrow \eta \eta$</td>
<td>&lt; 5.9</td>
<td>10.5%</td>
<td>0.1554</td>
<td>&lt;361.3</td>
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TABLE V. The $\chi_c$ decay branching fractions, and ratios of branching fractions for $\chi_c(2S) \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$ or $\eta \eta [B \times B(\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma \chi_c(2S)) / B(\psi(2S) \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi)]$.

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<th>Mode</th>
<th>$B \times 10^{-3}$</th>
<th>$B \times B(\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma \chi_c(2S)) \times 10^{-4}$</th>
<th>$B \times B(\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma \chi_c(2S)) / B(\psi(2S) \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi) \times 10^{-4}$</th>
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<tr>
<td>$\chi_c^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$</td>
<td>2.79 ± 0.32 ± 0.57</td>
<td>2.42 ± 0.28 ± 0.44</td>
<td>7.96 ± 0.91 ± 1.38</td>
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<tr>
<td>$\chi_c^2 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$</td>
<td>0.98 ± 0.27 ± 0.56</td>
<td>0.67 ± 0.19 ± 0.38</td>
<td>2.19 ± 0.61 ± 1.23</td>
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<td>$\chi_c^0 \rightarrow \eta \eta$</td>
<td>2.02 ± 0.84 ± 0.59</td>
<td>1.76 ± 0.73 ± 0.49</td>
<td>5.78 ± 2.41 ± 1.58</td>
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<td>$\chi_c^2 \rightarrow \eta \eta$</td>
<td>&lt; 1.37</td>
<td>&lt; 0.93</td>
<td>&lt; 3.04</td>
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of the mass and width of $f_0(1710)$ also contribute to the systematic error. This result is again consistent with the “12%” rule. See Table I.

For the $c(2S) \rightarrow gK_S^0 K_S^0$ channel, events with two positive charged tracks, two negative charged tracks and at least one photon are selected. Both $K_S^0$ vertices are reconstructed and $|M_{\pi^+ \pi^-} - M_{K_S^0}|$ must be smaller than 20 MeV. At least one of the combinations must yield a four-constraint fit with $\chi^2$ probability greater than 0.01. If more than one combination survives, the combination with the smallest value of $\chi^2$ is chosen. An $S$-wave Breit Wigner plus a polynomial background are used to fit the invariant mass distribution shown in Fig. 5(b). The fit finds $6.8 \pm 3.1$ events, or an upper limit of 10.8 events at the 90% confidence level. The detection efficiency for this channel is 18.0%. The branching fraction is

$$B(c(2S) \rightarrow \gamma f_0(1710)) \times B(f_0(1710) \rightarrow K_S^0 K_S^0) = (2.06 \pm 0.94 \pm 1.08) \times 10^{-5}$$

or

$$< 3.89 \times 10^{-5} \quad (90\% \ C.L.)$$

The detection efficiencies, branching fraction acceptances, and final results for the decays described in this section are summarized in Tables II to V.

VI. $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma \eta \eta$ ANALYSIS

Here the analysis of decays into $\eta$ pairs, $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma \eta \eta \rightarrow 5 \gamma$, is presented. The selection criteria for this channel are similar to those used in the $c(2S) \rightarrow \gamma \pi^0 \pi^0$ channel except that the requirement $|M_{\gamma \gamma} - M_{\eta \eta}| < 70$ MeV is imposed. In the region where $M_{\eta \eta} < 3$ GeV, no $\eta \eta$ resonant state is observed. In the mass region with $M_{\eta \eta} > 3$ GeV, shown in Fig. 3(b), a $\chi_{c0}$ signal and a possible $\chi_{c2}$ signal are observed. Two Breit-Wigner functions with a polynomial background are used to fit the mass distribution, and $12.7 \pm 5.3$ events for $\chi_{c0}$ and an upper limit of 5.9 $\chi_{c2}$ events are found, giving the following branching fractions

$$B(\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \eta \eta) = (2.02 \pm 0.84 \pm 0.59) \times 10^{-3}$$

$$B(\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \eta \eta) < 1.37 \times 10^{-3} \quad (90\% \ C.L.)$$

FIG. 4. $M_{K^+K^-}$ distributions. The solid line histogram is the distribution for the $\psi(2S)$ data; the dashed histogram is that for the normalized $\tau$ data.

FIG. 5. (a) $M_{K^+K^-}$ fit result. The data points are obtained from the difference of the two histograms in Fig. 4. The curves are Breit-Wigner functions to describe the $f_2'(1525)$ and the $f_0(1710)$ with a polynomial to describe the background. (b) $M_{K^0\bar{K}_0}$ fit result. The curves are a Breit-Wigner function for the $f_0(1710)$ and a polynomial for the background.
The detection efficiencies for these two channels are 11.9% and 10.5%, respectively.

Flavor SU(3) symmetry predicts that the branching fractions of $\chi_{c0}$ decay into $\pi^0\pi^0$ and $\eta\eta$ should be the same except for a phase space factor and a barrier factor of $p^{2s+1}$, where $p$ is the momentum of the $\pi^0$ or $\eta$ in $\chi_c$’s rest frame and $s$ is the spin of the $\chi_c$. Based on the PDG values for the $\chi_{c0}$, this predicts $B(\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \eta\eta)/B(\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0) = 0.95$ which is consistent with our measurement of

$$\frac{B(\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \eta\eta)}{B(\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0)} = 0.73 \pm 0.30 \pm 0.25.$$

The detection efficiencies, branching fraction acceptances, and final results for the decays described in this section are summarized in Tables II to V.

VII. SUMMARY

This paper studies $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma \pi^+\pi^-$, $\gamma \pi^0\pi^0$, $\gamma K^+K^-$, $\gamma K^0_S K^0_S$, $\gamma \eta\eta$ final states and reports the first measurement of the $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma f_2(1270)$ and $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma f_0(1710) \rightarrow \gamma K^+K^-$ and $\gamma K^0_S K^0_S$ branching fractions. A clear $f_0(1710)$ signal in $\psi(2S)$ radiative decay into $K^+K^-$ final states is observed. The results are consistent with the “12%” rule.

In addition, this paper reports the first measurement of the branching fractions of $\chi_{c0}$ and $\chi_{c2}$ decay into $\pi^0\pi^0$, $\chi_{c0}$ decay into $\eta\eta$, and an upper limit of the branching fraction of $\chi_{c2}$ decay into $\eta\eta$. The results from $\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0$ and $\eta\eta$ are consistent with the prediction by SU(3) flavor symmetry.

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[6] The total number of $\psi(2S)$ recorded by the BES detector is determined by the total number of $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- J/\psi$ events divided by the PDG branching fraction value for this mode.

This total $\psi(2S)$ number is $(4.02 \pm 0.22) \times 10^9$. In this paper, only runs of good quality have been used, corresponding to $3.90 \pm 0.21 \times 10^9 \psi(2S)$ events and $1.188 \pm 0.030 \pm 0.016 \times 10^6 \pi^+\pi^- J/\psi$ events. Please note that those numbers in reference paper [9] are obtained using a 1996 Particle Data Group publication [10].


[12] The 90% C.L. limits are calculated by increasing the number of events from the fit by 1.28$\sigma$, where $\sigma$ includes the statistical error and the systematic error added in quadrature.