

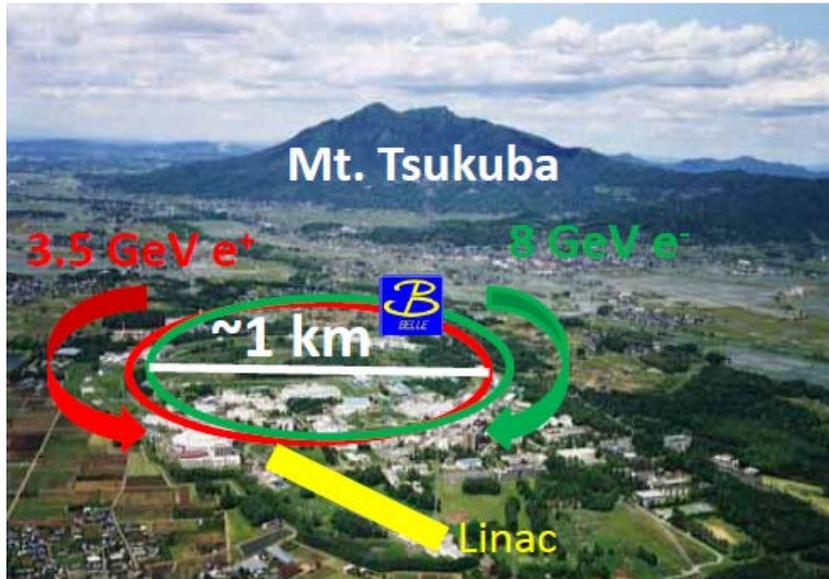


Recent highlights of heavy-flavor baryon physics from Belle

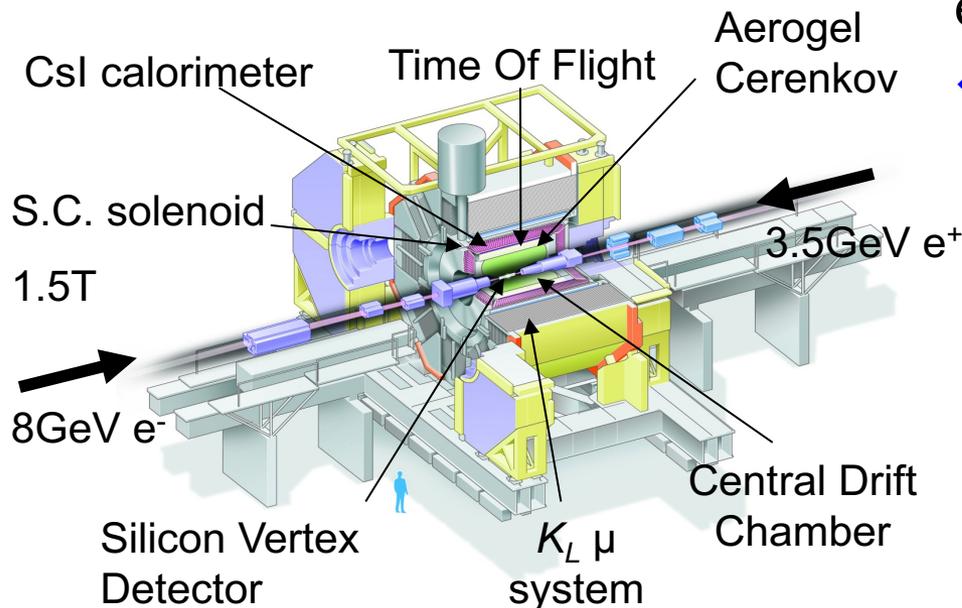
- ◆ Studies of excited Ξ_c
 - ◆ Mass and widths measurements of 5 excited Ξ_c states decaying into $\Xi_c\pi$
 - ◆ Higher excited Ξ_c decaying into ΛD
- ◆ Studies of Λ_c^+ decay modes
 - ◆ $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\phi\pi^0$ and $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+\pi^0$
 - ◆ $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^+\pi^-$
- ◆ Production cross sections of hyperons and charmed baryons

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The Belle experiment



- ◆ Asymmetric energy e^+e^- collider
- ◆ General purpose detector
 - Detect charged particles and photons
 - Good momentum/vertex resolution
 - K/π separation up to 3.5 GeV/c
- ◆ Data at $\Upsilon(4S)$ and some other energies
- ◆ Integrated luminosity $\sim 1 \text{ ab}^{-1}$



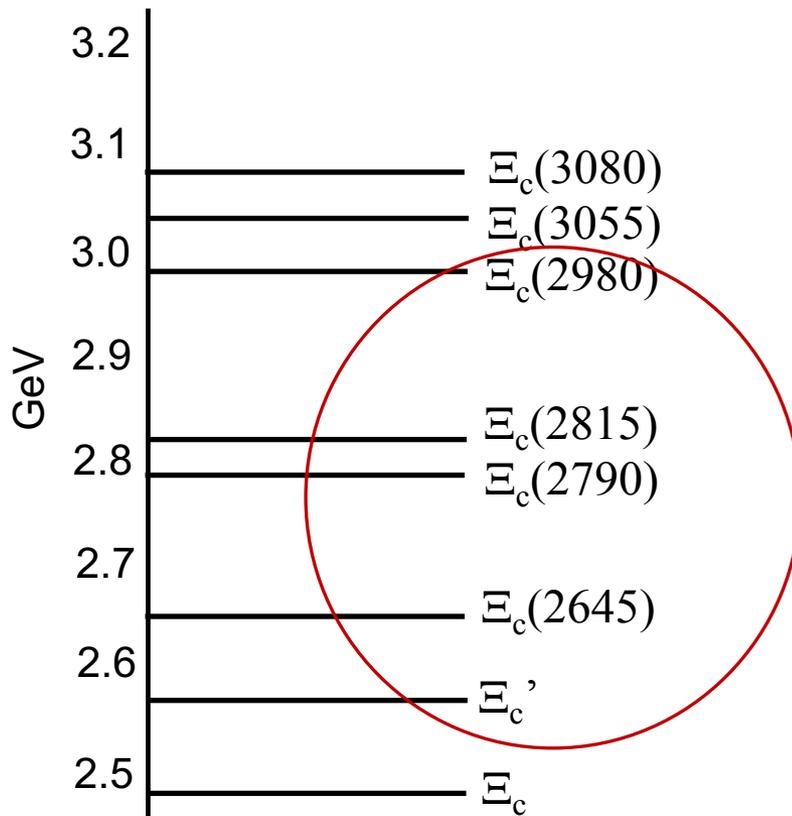
On resonance:

- $\Upsilon(5S): 121 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- $\Upsilon(4S): 711 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- $\Upsilon(3S): 3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- $\Upsilon(2S): 25 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- $\Upsilon(1S): 6 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

Off resonance/ scan: $\sim 100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

Mass and widths measurements of 5 excited Ξ_c states decaying into $\Xi_c \pi$

[PRD 94, 052011\(2016\)](#)



Study of excited Ξ_c states decaying into $\Xi_c\pi$

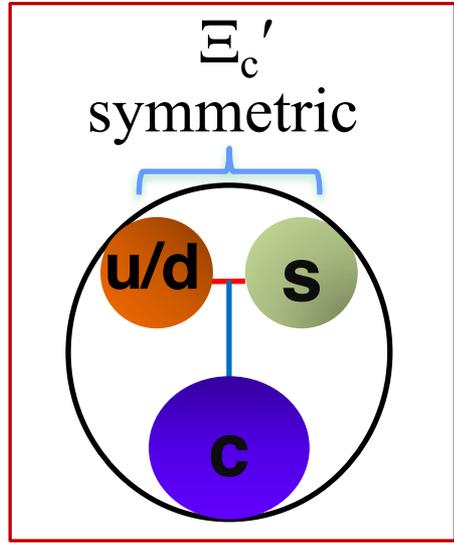
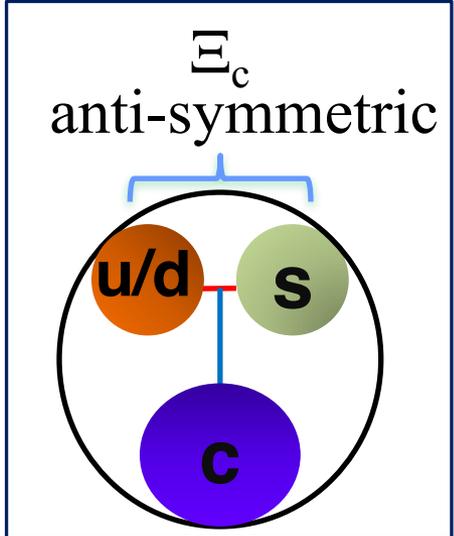
- ◆ Five isodoublets of excited Ξ_c [Ξ_c' , $\Xi_c(2645)$, $\Xi_c(2790)$, $\Xi_c(2815)$, $\Xi_c(2980)$] are studied using 980/fb of Belle data.

- ◆ Previous measurements (CLEO, BaBar, Belle) were with low statistics. For widths, only upper limits were given for many states.

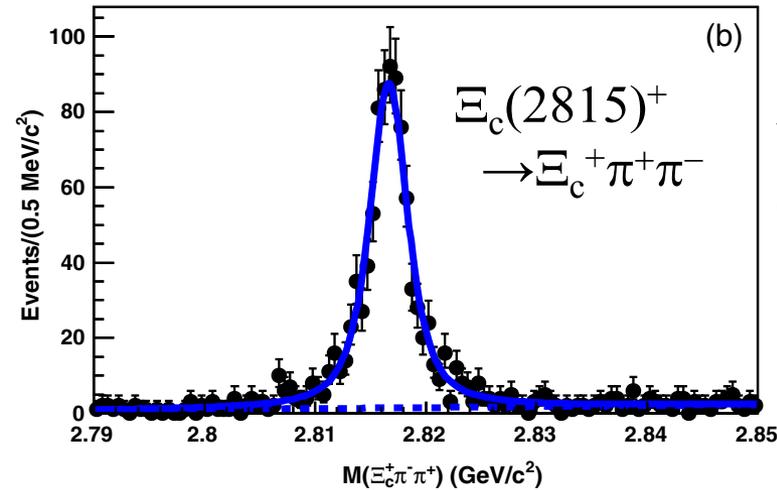
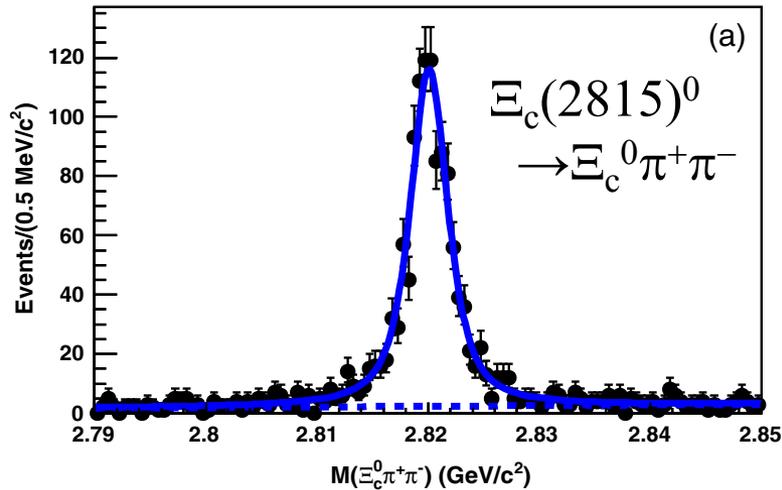
- ◆ Decays used in this analysis

- $\Xi_c(2980) \rightarrow \Xi_c(2645)\pi \rightarrow \Xi_c\pi\pi$
- $\Xi_c(2980) \rightarrow \Xi_c'\pi$
- $\Xi_c(2815) \rightarrow \Xi_c(2645)\pi \rightarrow \Xi_c\pi\pi$
- $\Xi_c(2815) \rightarrow \Xi_c'\pi$
- $\Xi_c(2790) \rightarrow \Xi_c'\pi$
- $\Xi_c' \rightarrow \Xi_c\gamma$

- ◆ Ξ_c^+ and Ξ_c^0 are reconstructed from 10 and 7 decay modes



Invariant mass spectra of excited Ξ_c states



w/ $\Xi_c(2645)$
selection in
 $M(\Xi_c \pi)$

$m = 2820.20 \pm 0.08$ (stat.) MeV
 $\Gamma = 2.54 \pm 0.18$ (stat.) MeV

$m = 2816.73 \pm 0.08$ (stat.) MeV
 $\Gamma = 2.43 \pm 0.20$ (stat.) MeV

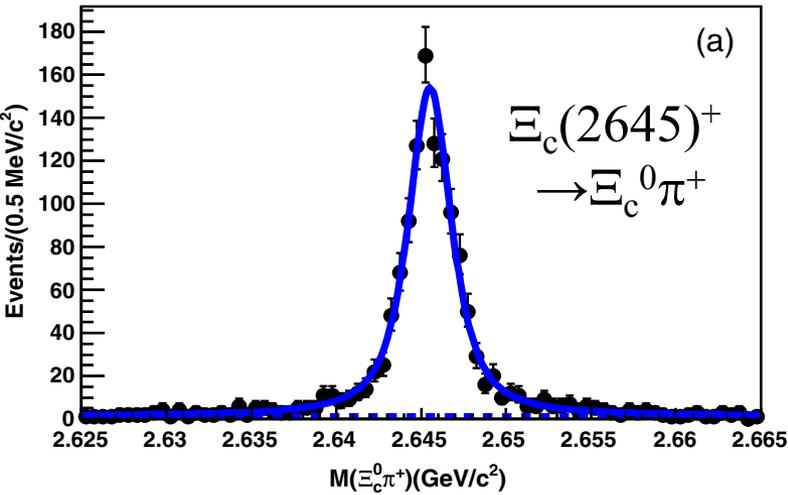
Masses and widths are determined from fit.

Fit functions are

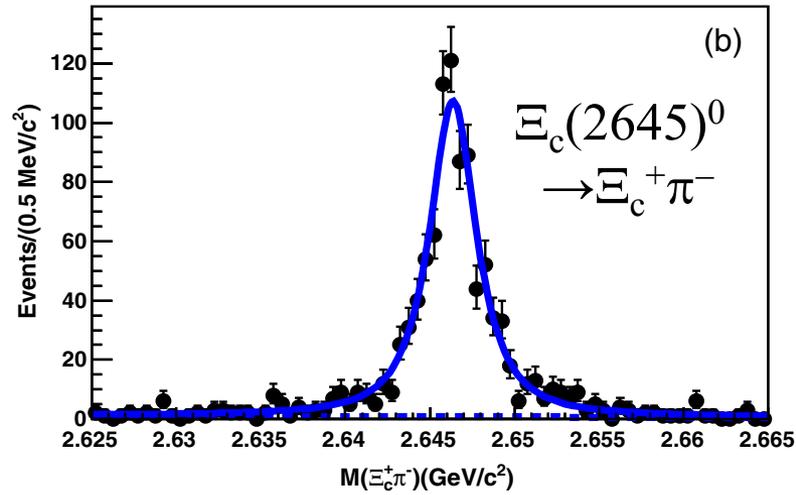
Signal: Breit-Wigner convoluted with a double-Gaussian resolution functions

Background : polynomial functions

Invariant mass spectra of excited Ξ_c states

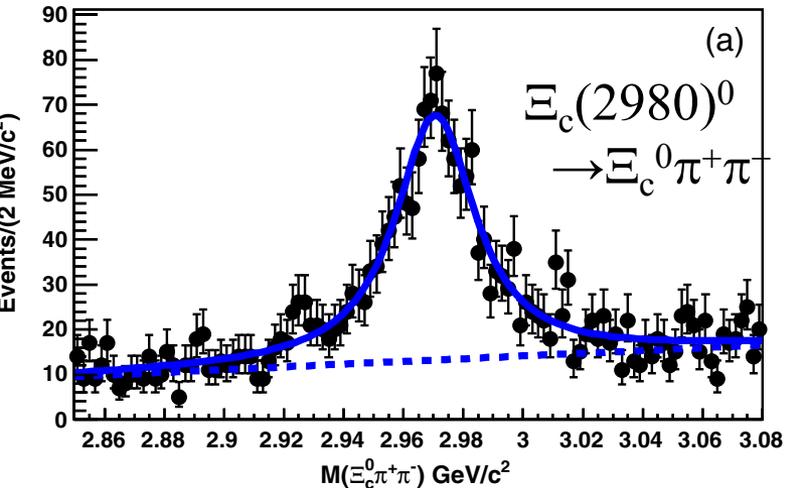


$m = 2645.58 \pm 0.06$ (stat.) MeV
 $\Gamma = 2.06 \pm 0.13$ (stat.) MeV

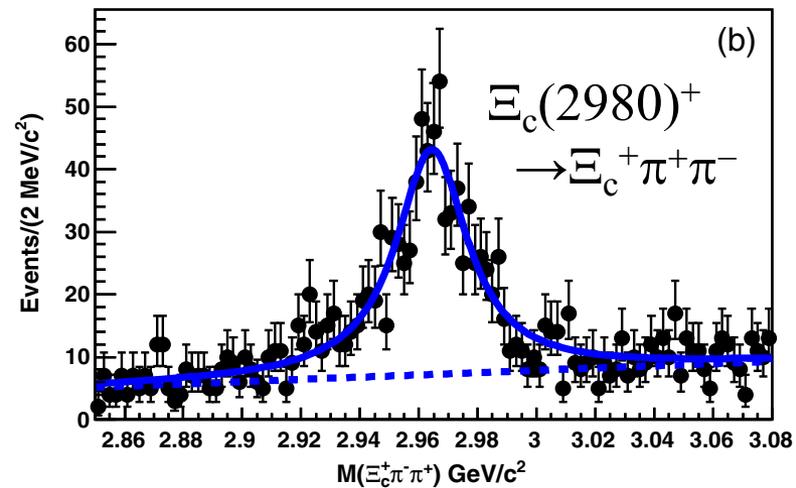


$m = 2646.43 \pm 0.07$ (stat.) MeV
 $\Gamma = 2.35 \pm 0.18$ (stat.) MeV

w/ $\Xi_c(2825)$
 selection in
 $M(\Xi_c \pi \pi)$



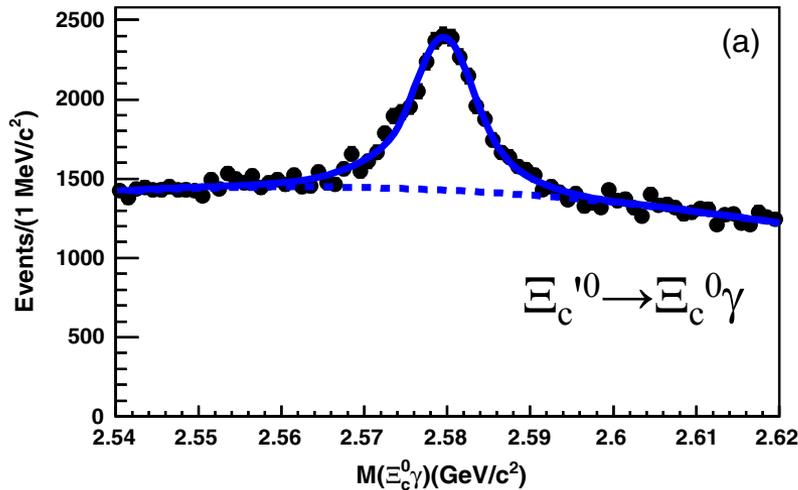
$m = 2970.8 \pm 0.7$ (stat.) MeV
 $\Gamma = 30.3 \pm 2.3$ (stat.) MeV



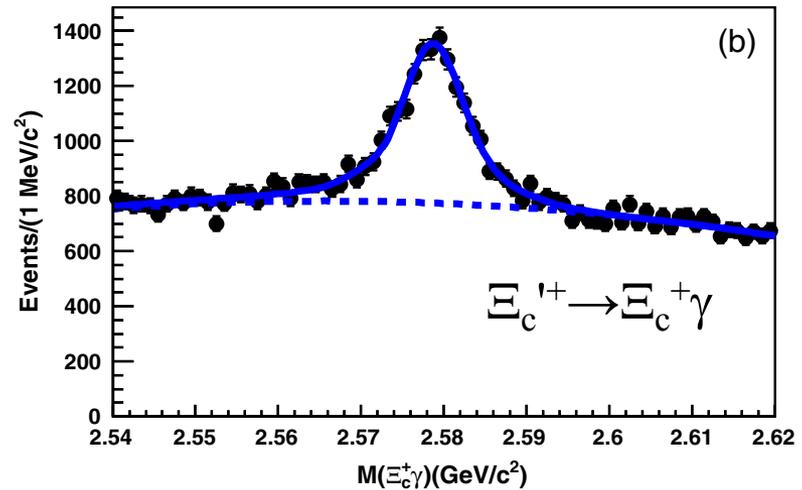
$m = 2966.0 \pm 0.8$ (stat.) MeV
 $\Gamma = 28.1 \pm 2.4$ (stat.) MeV

w/ $\Xi_c(2645)$
 selection cut
 on $M(\Xi_c \pi)$

Reconstruction of Ξ_c' states



$$m = 2579.2 \pm 0.1 (\text{stat.}) \text{ MeV}$$



$$m = 2578.4 \pm 0.1 (\text{stat.}) \text{ MeV}$$

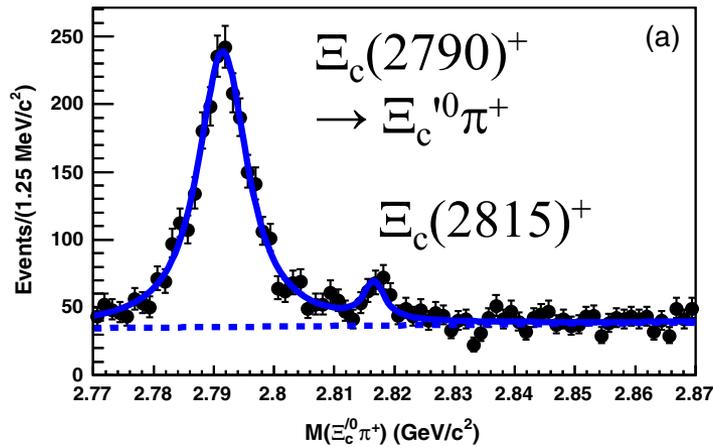
Masses are determined from fit.

Fit functions are

Signal: two "crystal ball" functions with different resolution parameters that are fixed using MC

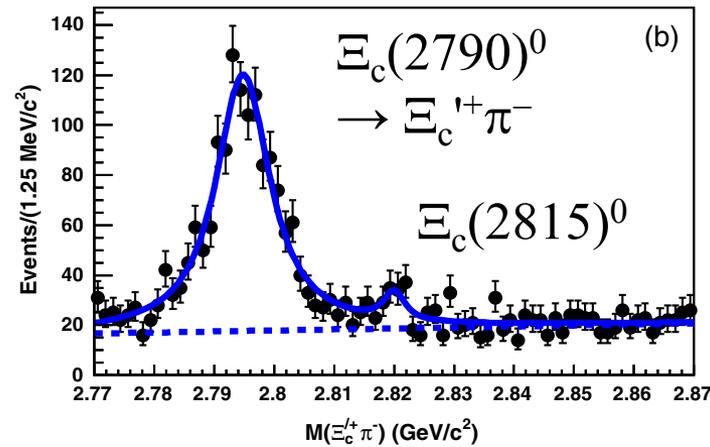
Background : polynomial functions

Invariant mass spectra of excited Ξ_c states



$$m = 2791.6 \pm 0.2 \text{ (stat.) MeV}$$

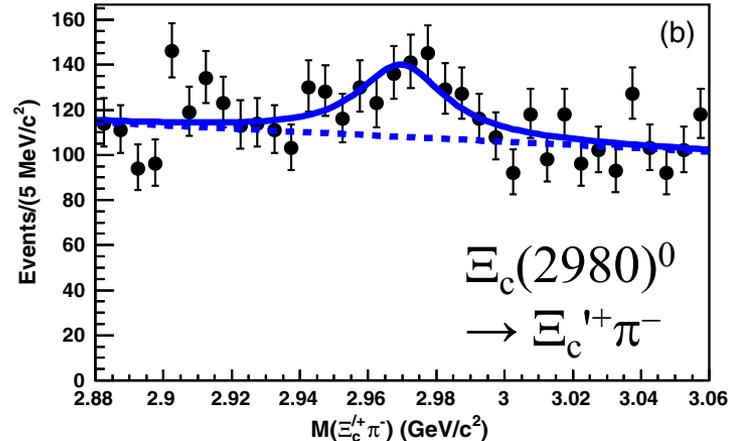
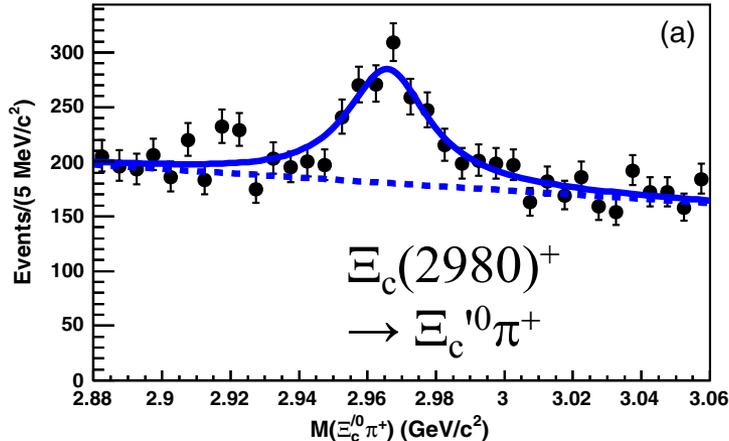
$$\Gamma = 8.9 \pm 0.6 \text{ (stat.) MeV}$$



$$m = 2794.9 \pm 0.3 \text{ (stat.) MeV}$$

$$\Gamma = 10.0 \pm 0.7 \text{ (stat.) MeV}$$

Signal: Breit-Wigner convoluted with a double-Gaussian resolution functions
 Background : polynomial functions



First observation in $\Xi_c' \pi$ decay.

Results

Particle	Yield	Mass	Width
$\Xi_c(2645)^+$	1260 ± 40	$2645.58 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.07^{+0.28}_{-0.40}$	$2.06 \pm 0.13 \pm 0.13$
PDG		2645.9 ± 0.5	$2.6 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.4$
$\Xi_c(2645)^0$	975 ± 36	$2646.43 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.07^{+0.28}_{-0.40}$	<u>$2.35 \pm 0.18 \pm 0.13$</u>
PDG		2645.9 ± 0.5	< 5.5
$\Xi_c(2815)^+$	941 ± 35	$2816.73 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.06^{+0.28}_{-0.40}$	<u>$2.43 \pm 0.20 \pm 0.17$</u>
PDG		2816.6 ± 0.9	< 3.5
$\Xi_c(2815)^0$	1258 ± 40	$2820.20 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.07^{+0.28}_{-0.40}$	<u>$2.54 \pm 0.18 \pm 0.17$</u>
PDG		2819.6 ± 1.2	< 6.5
$\Xi_c(2980)^+$	916 ± 55	$2966.0 \pm 0.8 \pm 0.2^{+0.3}_{-0.4}$	$28.1 \pm 2.4^{+1.0}_{-5.0}$
PDG		2970.7 ± 2.2	17.9 ± 3.5
$\Xi_c(2980)^0$	1443 ± 75	$2970.8 \pm 0.7 \pm 0.2^{+0.3}_{-0.4}$	$30.3 \pm 2.3^{+1.0}_{-1.8}$
PDG		$2968.0 \pm 2.6 \pm 0.5$	20 ± 7
Ξ_c^+	7055 ± 211	$2578.4 \pm 0.1 \pm 0.4^{+0.3}_{-0.4}$	
PDG		2575.6 ± 3.0	
Ξ_c^0	11560 ± 276	$2579.2 \pm 0.1 \pm 0.4^{+0.3}_{-0.4}$	
PDG		2577.9 ± 2.9	
$\Xi_c(2790)^+$	2231 ± 103	$2791.6 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.1 \pm 0.4^{+0.3}_{-0.4}$	<u>$8.9 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.8$</u>
PDG		2789.8 ± 3.2	< 15
$\Xi_c(2790)^0$	1241 ± 72	$2794.9 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.1 \pm 0.4^{+0.3}_{-0.4}$	<u>$10.0 \pm 0.7 \pm 0.8$</u>
PDG		2791.9 ± 3.3	< 12

- ◆ Masses: ~ 1 order improvement of precision
- ◆ Widths: 5 first measurements ($\Xi_c(2645)^0$, $\Xi_c(2815)^+$, $\Xi_c(2815)^0$, $\Xi_c(2790)^+$, $\Xi_c(2790)^0$)

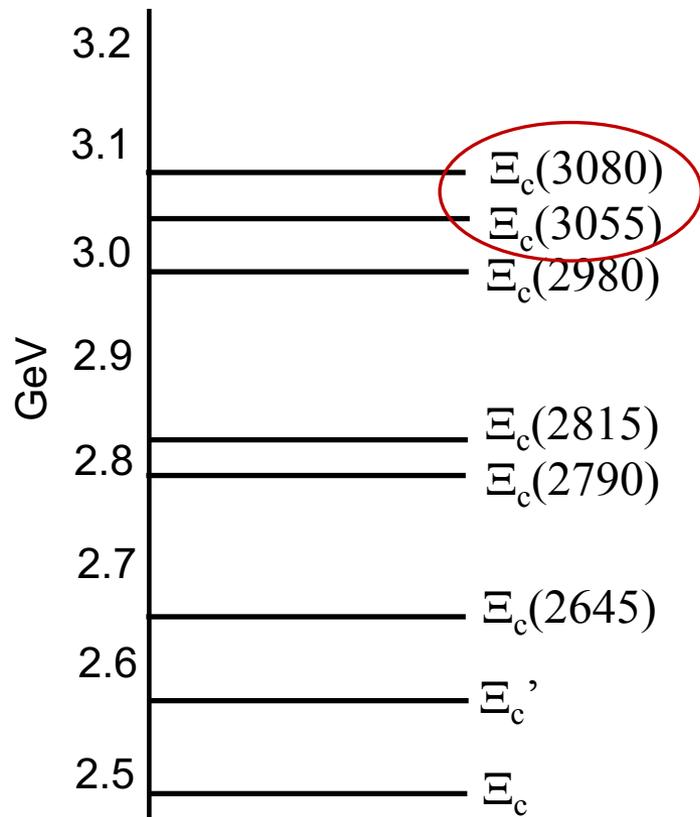
Measurement of the isospin splitting consistent with non-relativistic quark model. [B. Silvestre-Brac et.al. J.phys G 29, 2685, (2003)]



Particle	$M(\Xi_c^+) - M(\Xi_c^0)$ (MeV/ c^2)
$\Xi_c(2645)$	$-0.85 \pm 0.09 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.48$
$\Xi_c(2815)$	$-3.47 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.48$
$\Xi_c(2980)$	$-4.8 \pm 0.1 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.5$
Ξ_c'	$-0.8 \pm 0.1 \pm 0.1 \pm 0.5$
$\Xi_c(2790)$	$-3.3 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.1 \pm 0.5$

Excited Ξ_c states in ΛD

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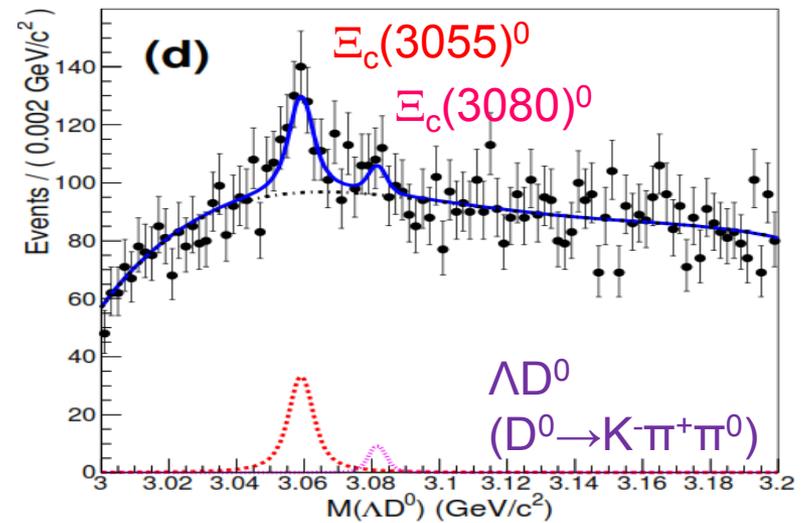
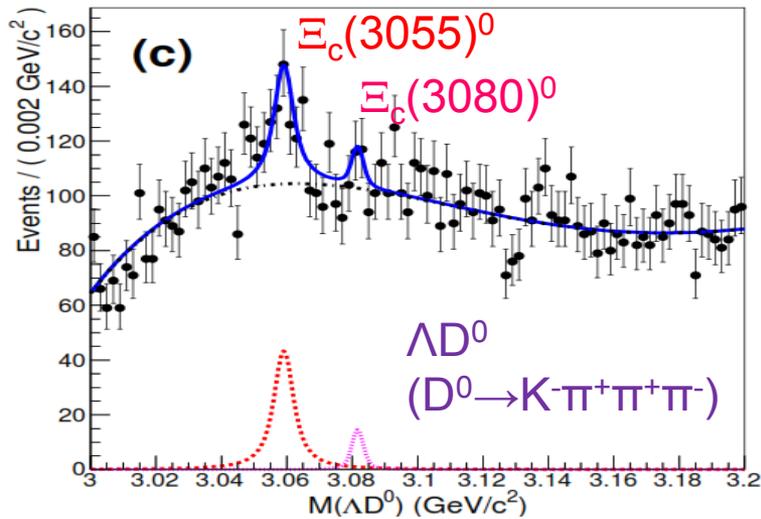
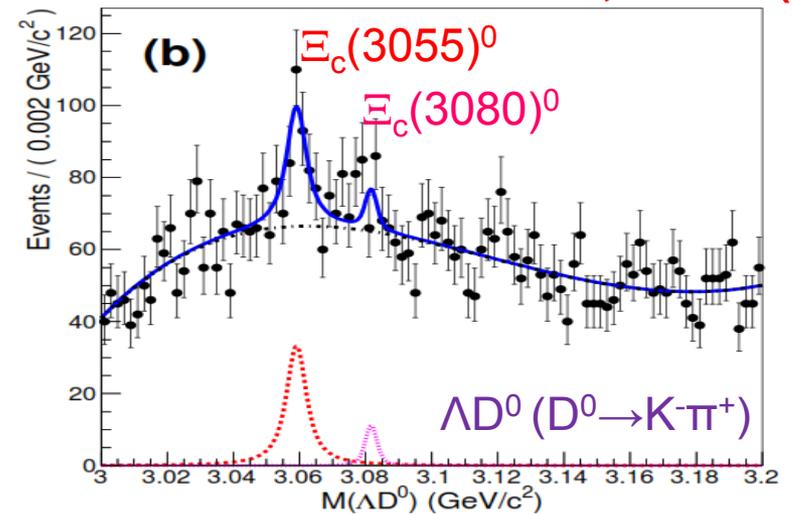
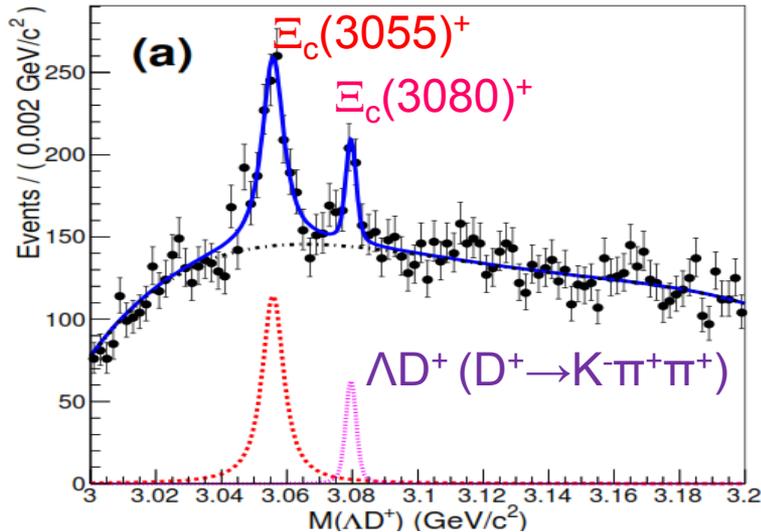
Excited Ξ_c states in ΛD

- ◆ Relative branching fractions (BF) of $\Sigma_c K$ and ΛD decays reveal the internal structure of Ξ_c states.
 - ◆ Chiral quark model: $\Xi_c(3055)$, $\Xi_c(3080)$ as D-wave and S-wave excitation in $N=2$ (radial) states. Small coupling to ΛD . PRD86,034024(2012)
- ◆ Relative BFs ($\Lambda D / \Sigma_c K$) for $\Xi_c(3055)$, $\Xi_c(3080)$ are studied using 980/fb of Belle data.
- ◆ Relative BF ($\Sigma_c^* K / \Sigma_c K$) for $\Xi_c(3080)$ is also studied.
- ◆ D^{+0} mesons are reconstructed in
 - ◆ $D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$
 - ◆ $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$, $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$, $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^0$

Observation of excited Ξ_c decay to ΛD

980fb⁻¹

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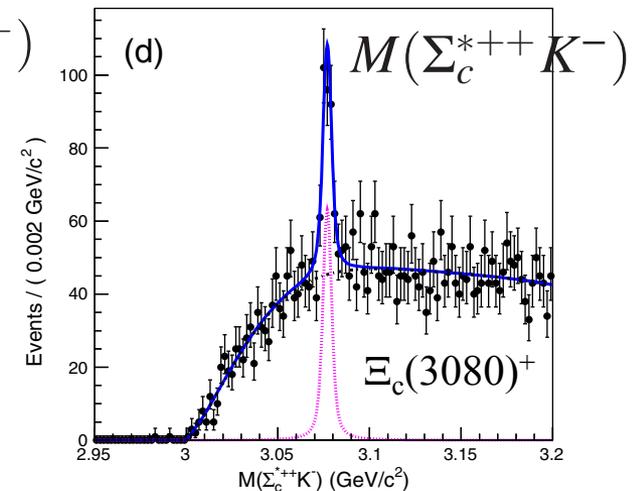
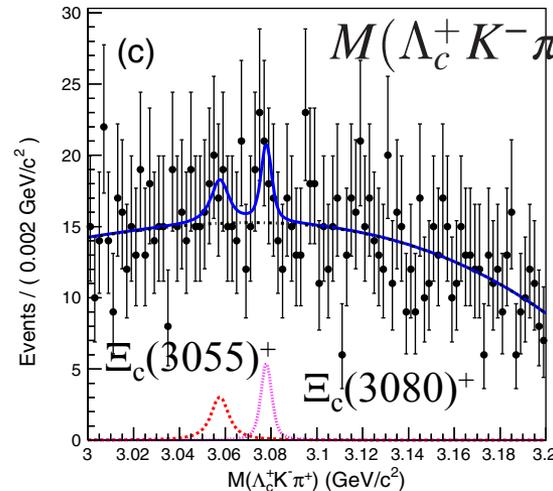
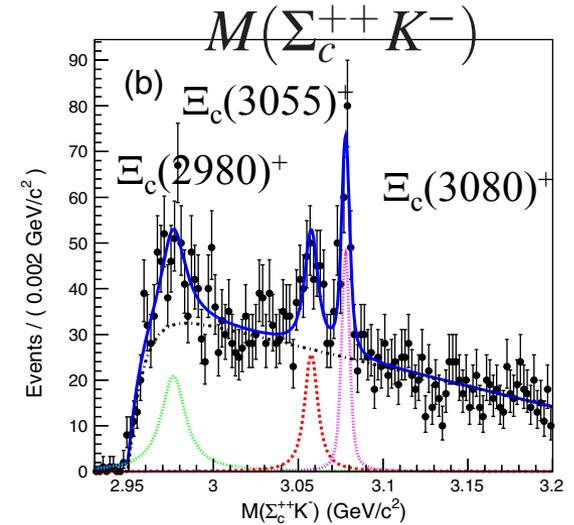
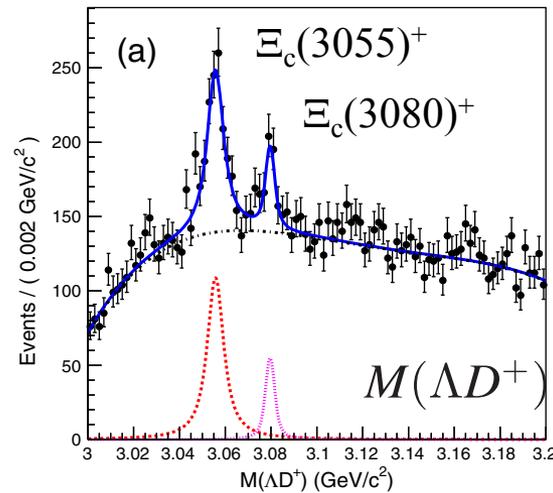


- ◆ Discovery of $\Xi_c(3055)^+ \rightarrow \Lambda D^+$ with 11.7σ and evidence for $\Xi_c(3080)^+ \rightarrow \Lambda D^+$ with 4.8σ
- ◆ Discovery of isospin partner $\Xi_c(3055)^0 \rightarrow \Lambda D^0$ with 8.6σ

Combined analysis of ΛD and $\Sigma_c K$ modes

- ◆ Simultaneous fit b/w $m(\Lambda D)$, $m(\Sigma_c^{++}K^-)$, $m(\Sigma_c^{*++}K^-)$, $m(\Lambda_c^+K^-\pi^+)$ with common width.

Resonance	Width (MeV)
$\Xi_c(3055)^+$	$7.8 \pm 1.2 \pm 1.5$
$\Xi_c(3080)^+$	$3.0 \pm 0.7 \pm 0.4$



Σ_c^{++} sideband region

Observation of excited Ξ_c decay to ΛD

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First discovery of $\Xi_c(3055)^0$, we measure its mass and width

- $M(\Xi_c(3055)^0) = 3059.0 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.6 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
- $\Gamma(\Xi_c(3055)^0) = 6.4 \pm 2.1 \pm 1.1 \text{ MeV}$

State	BR(ΛD^+)/BR($\Sigma_c^{++} K^-$)	BR($\Sigma_c^{*++} K^-$)/BR($\Sigma_c^{++} K^-$)
$\Xi_c(3055)^+$	$5.09 \pm 1.01 \pm 0.76$	
$\Xi_c(3080)^+$	$1.29 \pm 0.30 \pm 0.15$	$1.07 \pm 0.27 \pm 0.01$

The chiral quark model has been used to identify $\Xi_c(3055)$ as D -wave excitation in N=2 shell, and predict

PRD86,034024 (2012)

	$\Sigma_c \bar{K}$	$\Xi_c^*(2645)\pi$	$\Xi_c' \pi$	$\Sigma_c^* \bar{K}$	$D\Lambda$	total
$ \Xi_c^2 D_{\lambda\lambda}(3/2^+)\rangle$	2.3	0.5	1.0	0.1	0.1	4.0
$ \Xi_c^2 D_{\rho\rho}(3/2^+)\rangle$	5.6	0.8	3.3	0.3	-	10.0

Further identifies $\Xi_c(3080)$ as an S -wave excitation mode in N=2 shell and predicts that its decay into ΛD is forbidden.

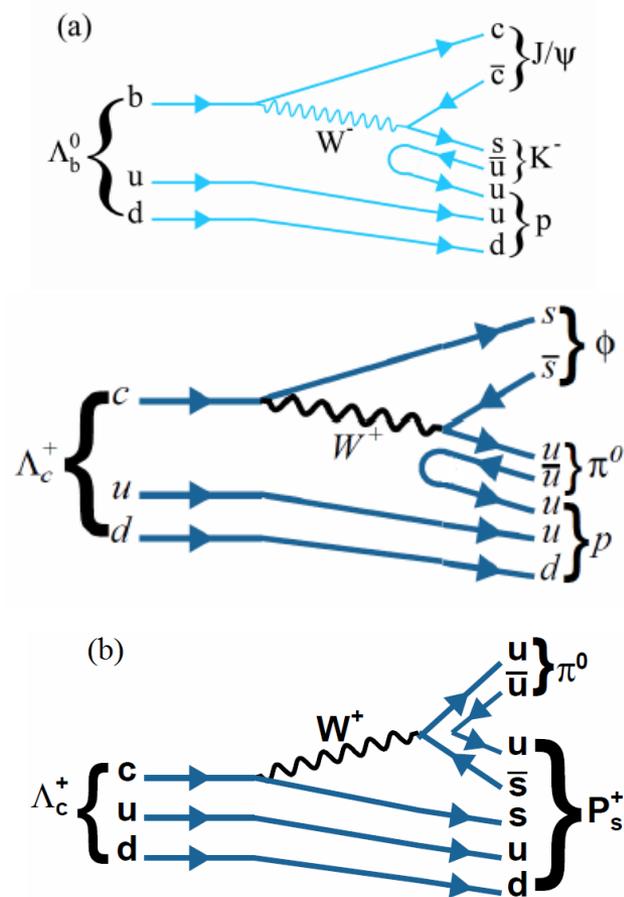
- Belle results contradicts some theory results.
- Crucial input to understand the nature of excited Ξ_c baryons.

Study of $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\phi\pi^0$ and $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+\pi^0$ decay with a search for pentaquark state

[arXiv:1707.00089 \[hep-ex\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/1707.00089)
[accepted by PRD](#)

Search for pentaquark state in $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\phi\pi^0$ decay

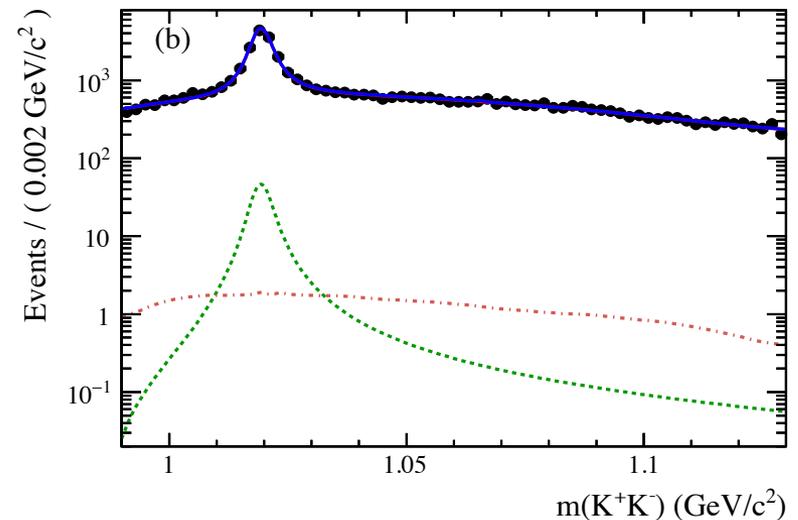
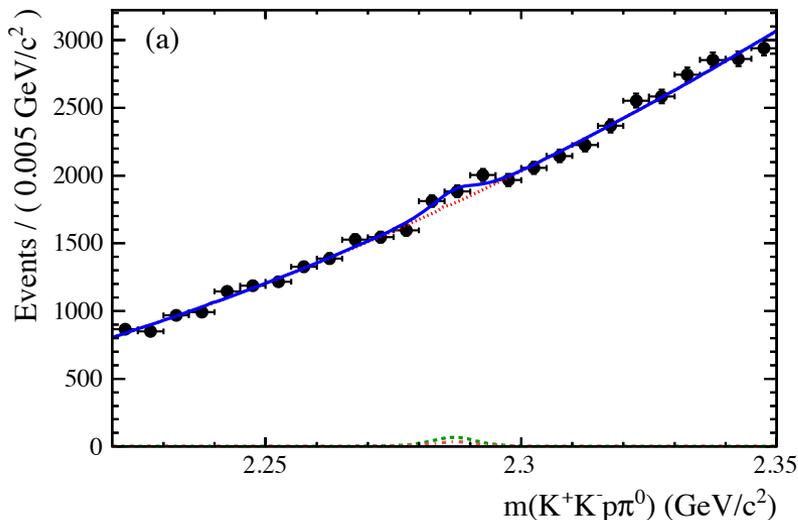
- ◆ LHCb's hidden-charm pentaquark (P_c^+) discovery in $J/\psi p$ of $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow J/\psi p K^-$
- ◆ Strange analog state (P_s^+) may appear in ϕp of $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \phi p \pi^0$ assuming production mechanism is flavor independent
 - ◆ V. Kopeliovich, arxiv:1510.05958 [hep-ph], R. F. Lebed, PRD92, 114030
 - ◆ Cabibbo-suppressed decay
- ◆ LEPS & CLAS observed a bump at $\sqrt{s} \sim 2.2$ GeV in ϕ photoproduction
 - ◆ PRL95, 182001, PRC89 055208, PRC90 019901
- ◆ This analysis used 916/fb of data collected at and near $\Upsilon(4S)$ and $\Upsilon(5S)$
- ◆ In addition, the precise measurement of branching fraction of Cabibbo favored decay $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\pi^+K^-\pi^0$ is presented



Analysis of $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\phi\pi^0$ decay

- ◆ Exclude events of $M(p\pi^0)$ within 10 MeV of mass of Σ^+
- ◆ Two dimensional fit is performed to $pK^+K^-\pi^0$ and K^+K^- invariant masses in order to extract the Λ_c^+ signal yield
 - ◆ 148.4 ± 61.8 for $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\phi\pi^0$
 - ◆ 75.9 ± 84.8 for $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^+K^-\pi^0$

$$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \phi p\pi^0) < 15.3 \times 10^{-5},$$
$$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow K^+K^-p\pi^0)_{\text{NR}} < 6.3 \times 10^{-5},$$

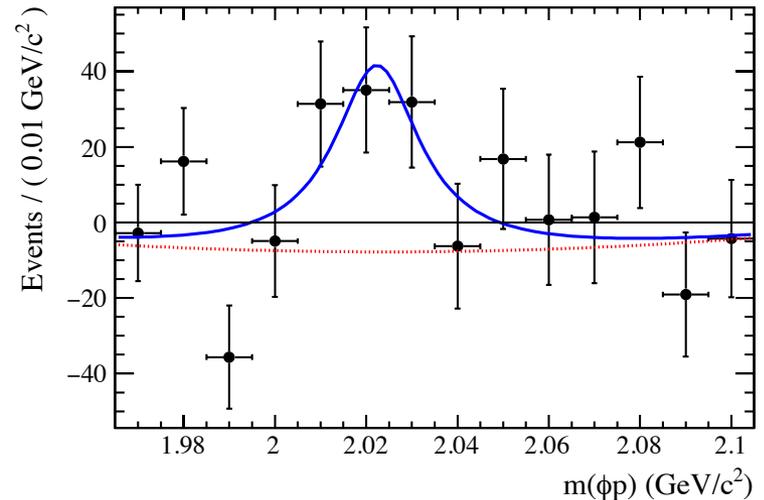


Search for a pentaquark state and branching fraction of $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+\pi^0$

◆ Select $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^+K^-\pi^0$ candidates in which $M(K^+K^-)$ is within 20 MeV of the mass of ϕ

◆ 77.6 ± 28.1 events

$$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow P_s^+ \pi^0) \times \mathcal{B}(P_s^+ \rightarrow \phi p) < 8.3 \times 10^{-5}$$



◆ Fit to $M(pK^-\pi^+\pi^0)$ spectrum

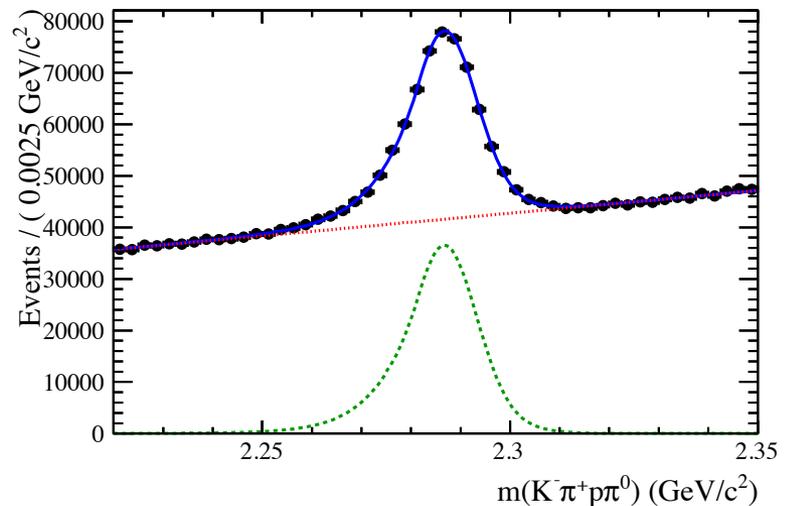
◆ Two crystal ball functions with a common mean for signal, and a linear function for background

$$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow K^-\pi^+p\pi^0) = (4.42 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.16)\%$$

◆ **World best measurement,**

consistent with BESIII (PRL116, 052001)

$$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow K^-\pi^+p\pi^0) = (4.53 \pm 0.23 \pm 0.30)\%$$



$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^+\pi^-$, doubly
Cabibbo-suppressed
(DCS) decay of Λ_c

[PRL117, 011801 \(2016\)](#)

Doubly Cabibbo-suppressed decay of Λ_c

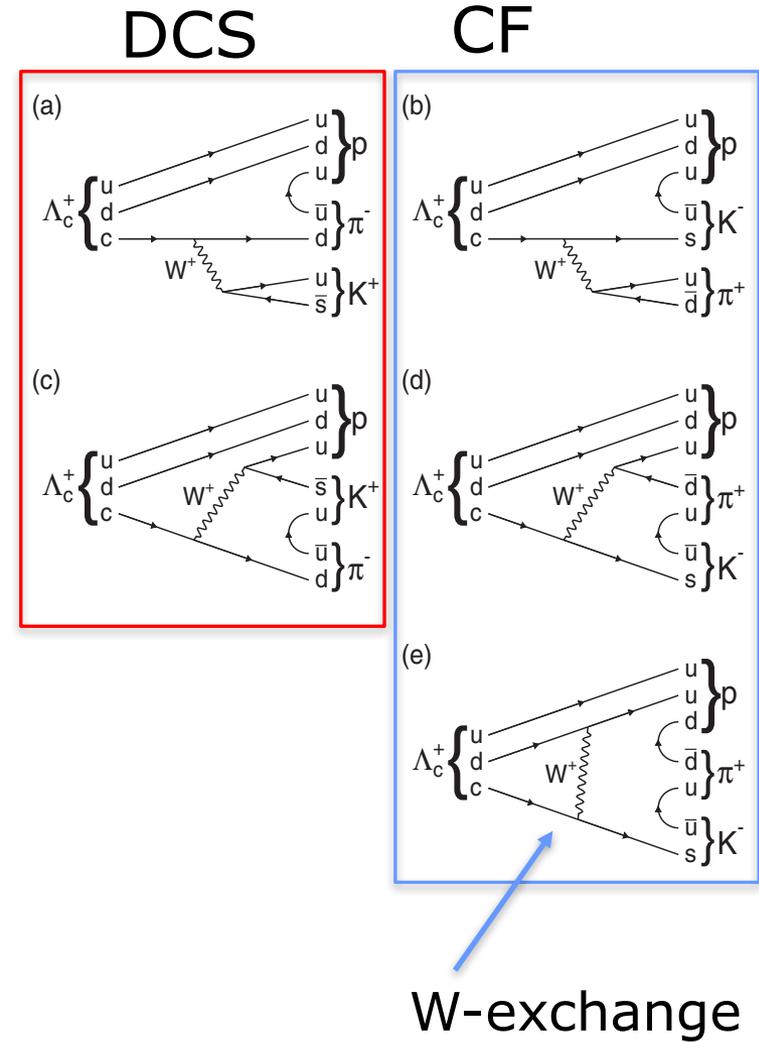
- ◆ Doubly Cabibbo-suppressed (DCS) decays seen in charm mesons, but not previously in baryons.

Naïve expectation: $\frac{B(DCS)}{B(CF)} =$

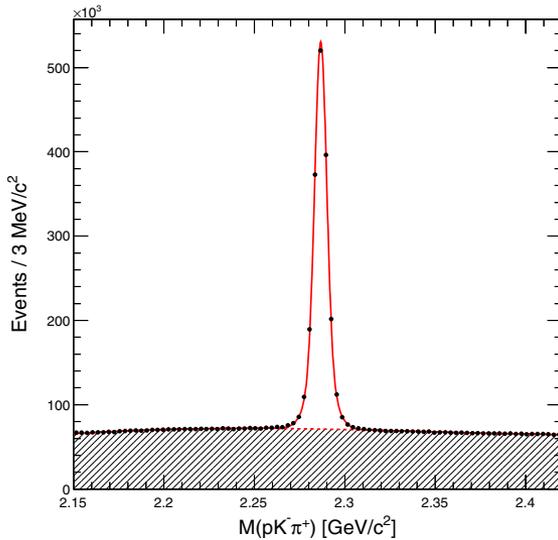
$$\tan^4 \theta_c = 0.285\%$$

Since W -exchange diagram is absent in DCS decay, $\frac{B(DCS)}{B(CF)}$ may be smaller than the naïve expectation.

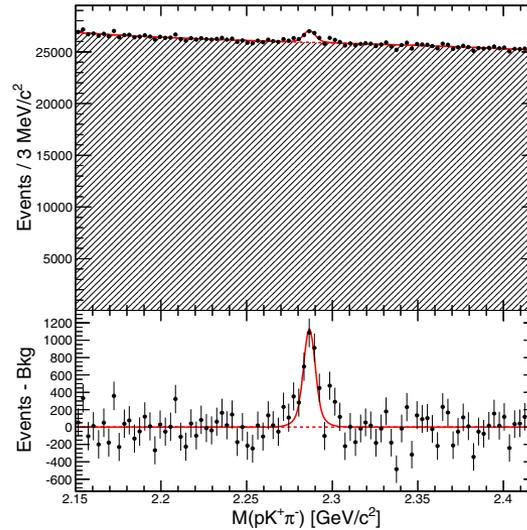
- ◆ This analysis uses 980/fb of data collected at and near $\Upsilon(1S)$, $\Upsilon(2S)$, $\Upsilon(3S)$, $\Upsilon(4S)$ and $\Upsilon(5S)$ resonances.



Analysis of $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^+\pi^-$, DCS decay



1.45M events in Cabibbo favored (CF) decay



3587 ± 380 events

After subtraction of $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda K^+ \rightarrow p\pi^- K^+$, we observe
 $3379 \pm 380 \pm 78$
 DCS events with a significance $> 9\sigma!$

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^+\pi^-)}{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+)} = (2.35 \pm 0.27 \pm 0.21) \times 10^{-3} \\ = (0.82 \pm 0.12) \tan^4 \theta_c$$

Absolute branching fraction

$$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^+\pi^-) = (1.61 \pm 0.23_{-0.08}^{+0.07}) \times 10^{-4} \\ \text{(First observation)}$$

After subtracting the contribution $\Lambda^*(1520)$ and Δ isobar intermediates, which only contribute to CF decay, the revised ratio

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^+\pi^-)}{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+)} = (1.10 \pm 0.17) \tan^4 \theta_c$$

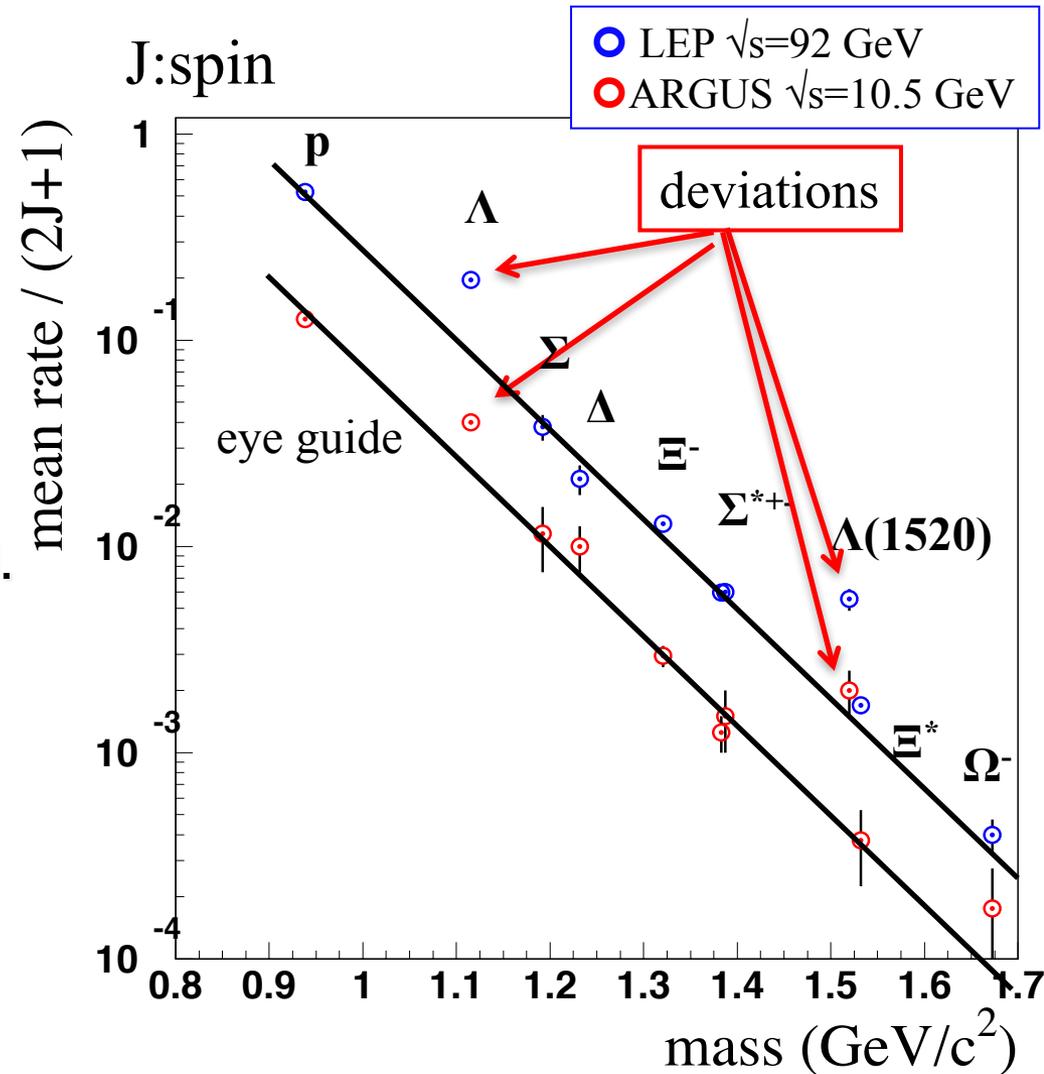
compatible with naïve expectation: no large W-exchange contribution in CF decay.

Production cross sections of hyperons and charmed baryons

[arXiv:1706.06791 \[hep-ex\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/1706.06791)
[submitted to PRD](#)

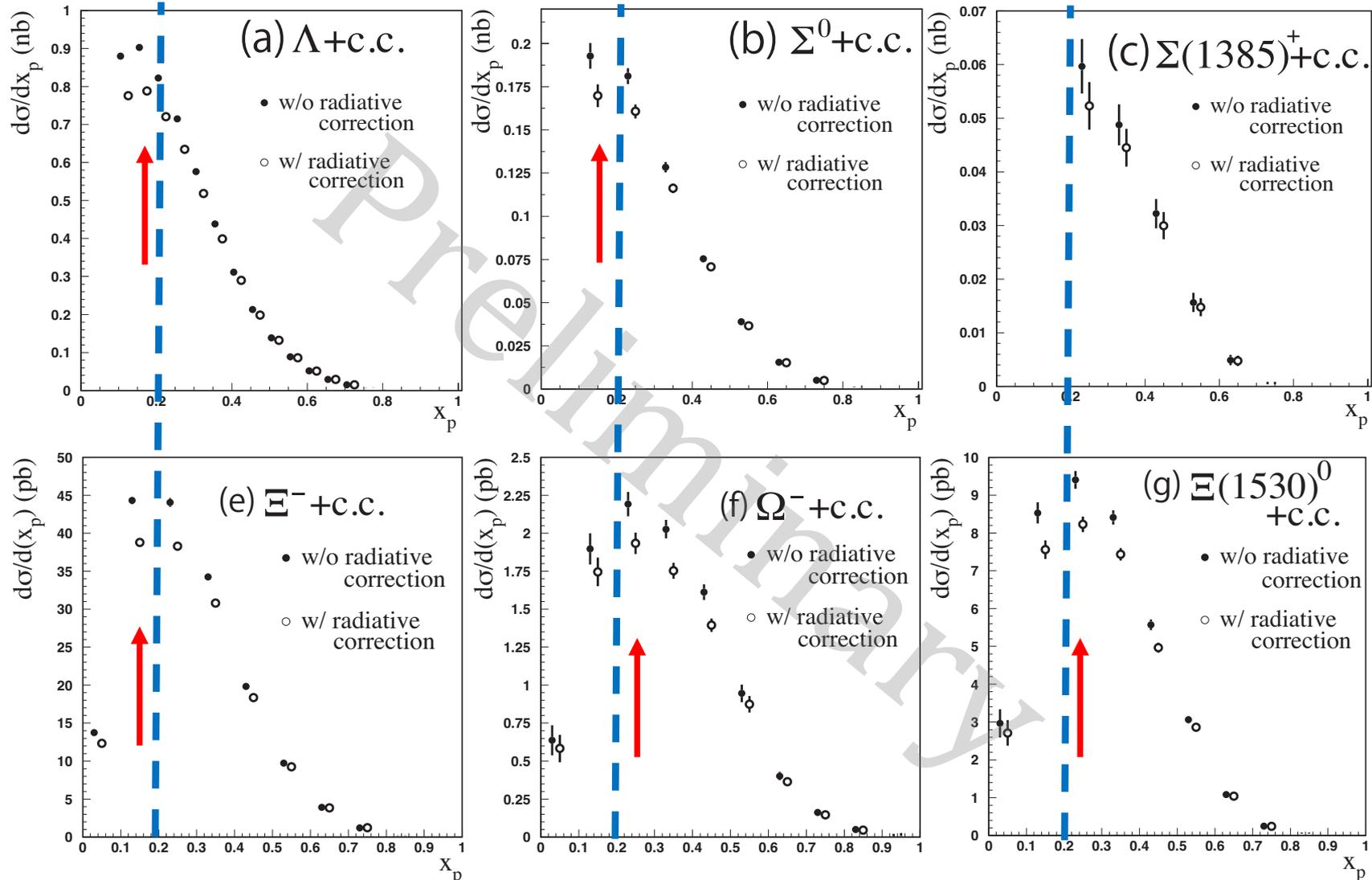
Baryon production rates in e^+e^- collision

- ◆ $\sigma/(2J+1) \propto \exp(\alpha m)$
- ◆ Higher rates for Λ and $\Lambda(1520)$ in ARGUS and LEP.
- ◆ $J=0$, light (ud) diquark in Λ ?
 - ◆ R.L. Jaffe, Phys.Rept.409,1 (2005)
 - ◆ A. Selem, F. Wilczek, hep-ph/0602128
- ◆ Issues
 - ◆ Feed down is not subtracted.
 - ◆ Large error in ARGUS results.
 - ◆ How about charmed baryons?
 - ◆ **Study at Belle!**



Inclusive differential cross sections, hyperons

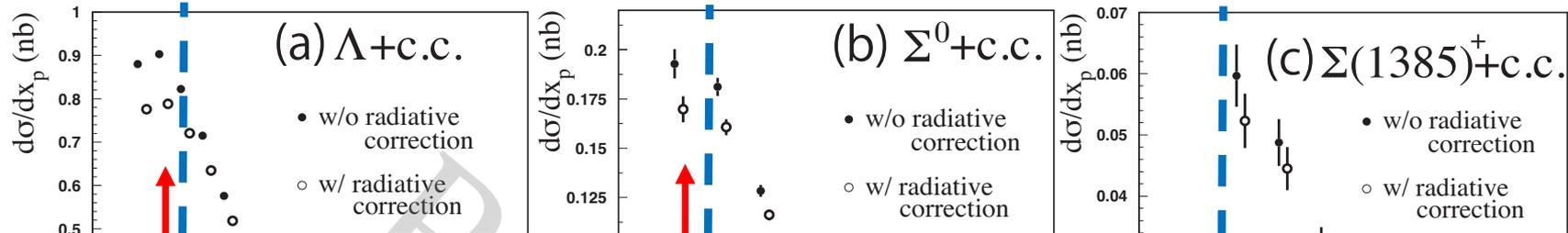
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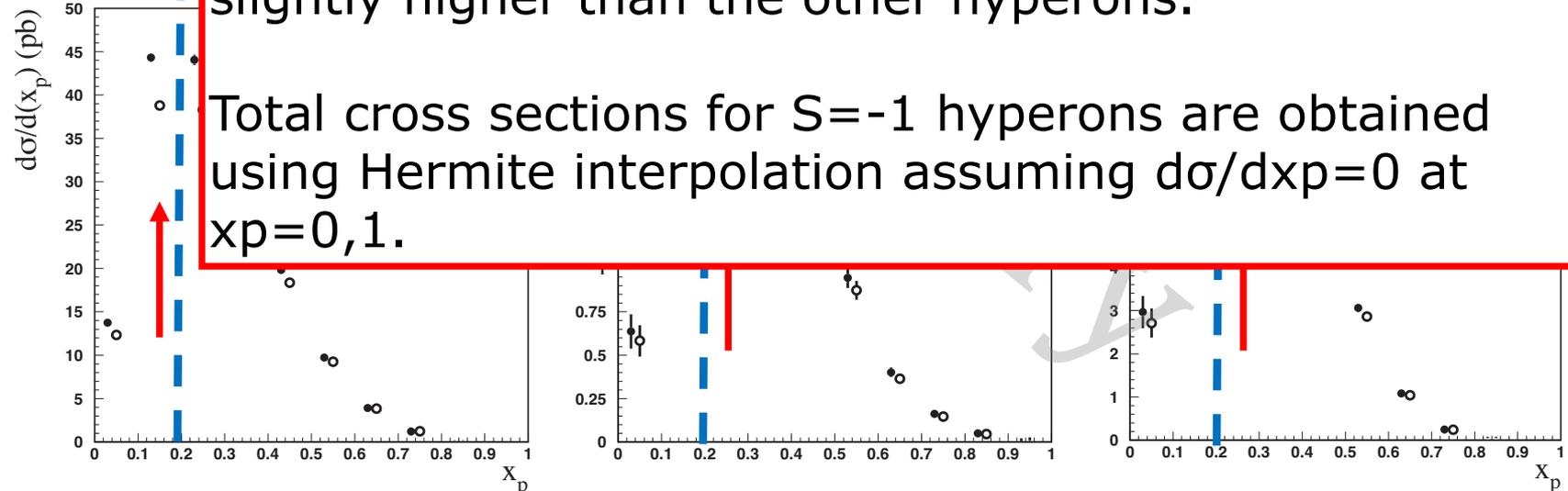
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Peaks around $x_p \sim 0.2-0.3$
 \rightarrow hyperons are produced in soft processes.

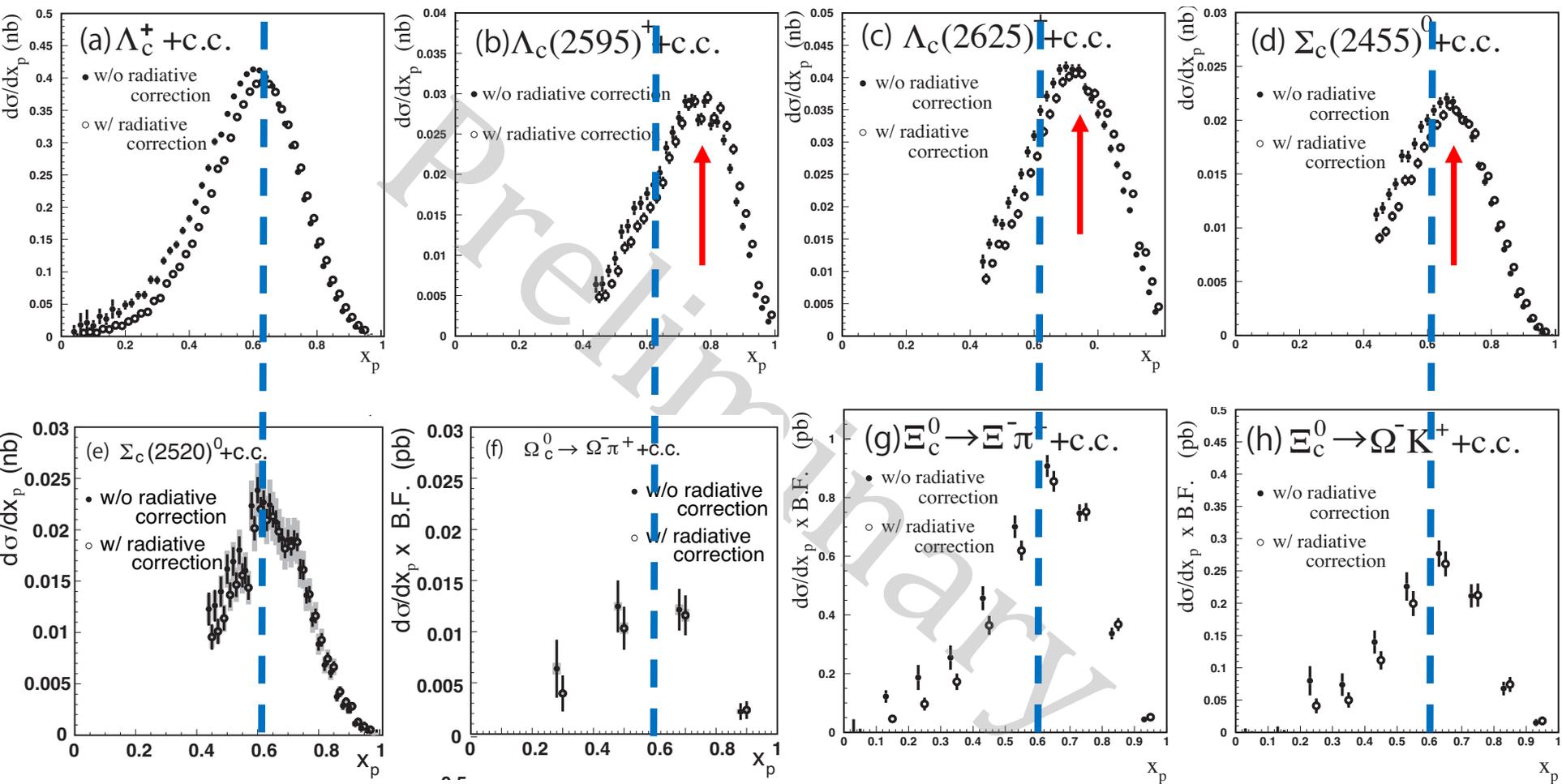
Peak positions for Ω^- and $\Xi(1530)$ seem slightly higher than the other hyperons.

Total cross sections for $S=-1$ hyperons are obtained using Hermite interpolation assuming $d\sigma/dx_p=0$ at $x_p=0,1$.

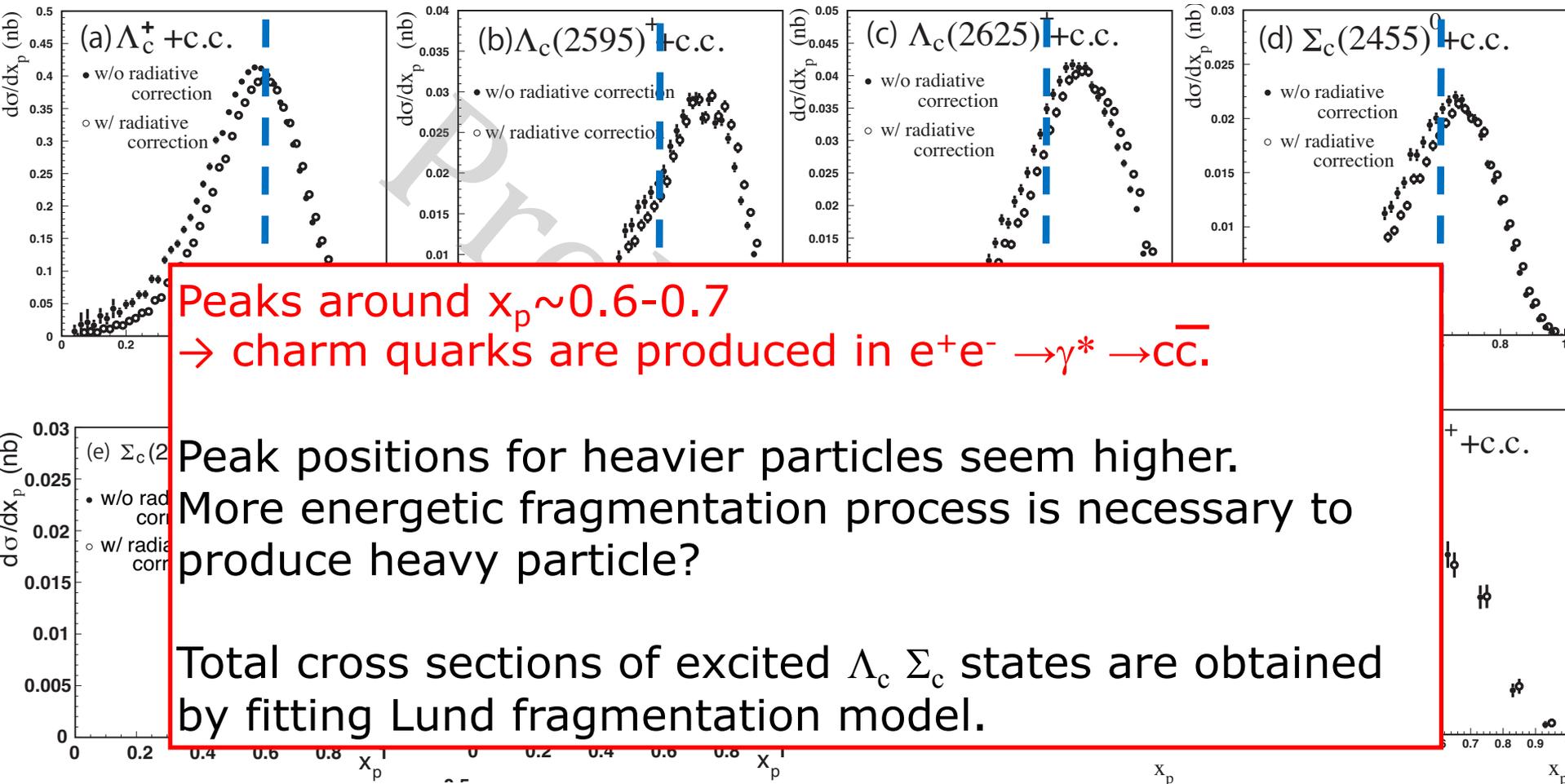


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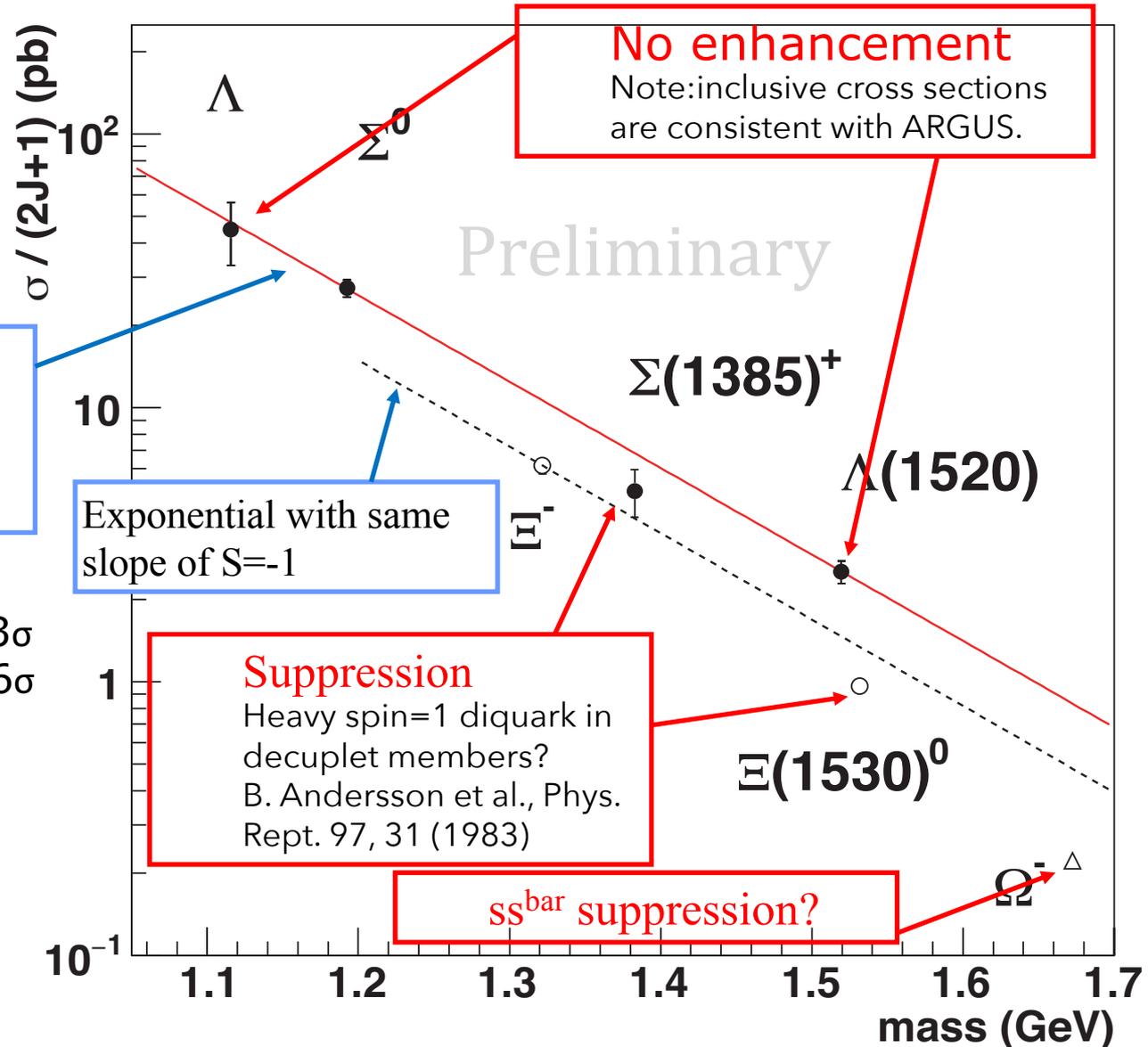


Results for hyperons

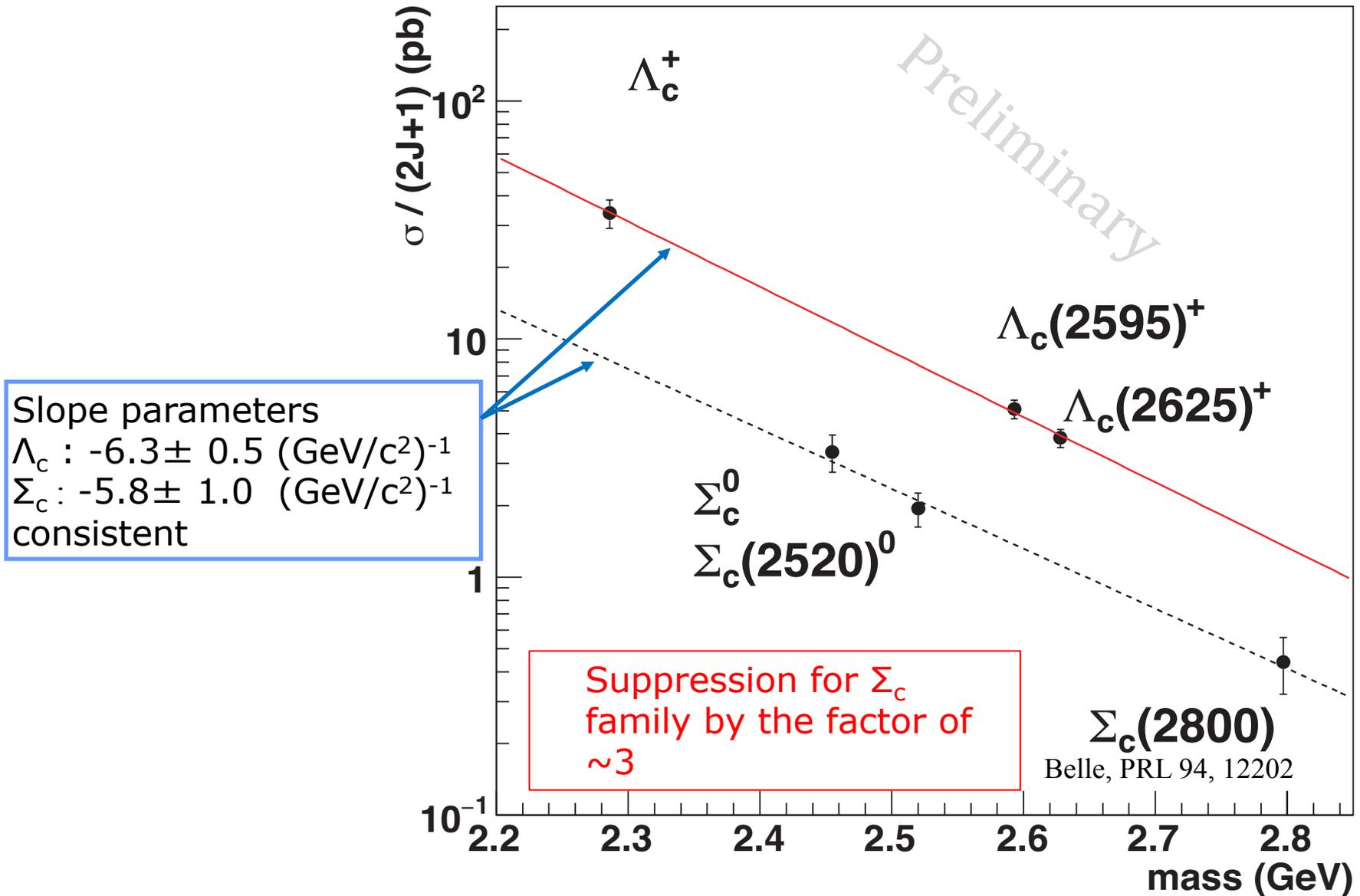
Feed-down
subtracted

Fit with $a_0 \exp(a_1 m)$,
Slope parameter
 -7.3 ± 0.3
 $(\text{GeV}/c^2)^{-1}$

- Suppression
- $\Sigma(1385)$: 33% with 2.3σ
- $\Xi(1530)$: 22% with 4.6σ



Results of charmed baryons



Discussion

- Assuming that a c-quark picks up a diquark from vacuum,

- Schwinger-like “tunnel effect” of diquark and anti-diquark

$$\sigma \propto \exp(-\pi\mu^2/\kappa) \quad \begin{array}{l} \mu: \text{diquark mass} \\ \kappa: \text{gluonic string tension} \end{array}$$

B. Andersson et al., Phys. Scripta. 32, 574 (1985)

- $\sigma(\Sigma_c)/\sigma(\Lambda_c) = 0.27 \pm 0.07$

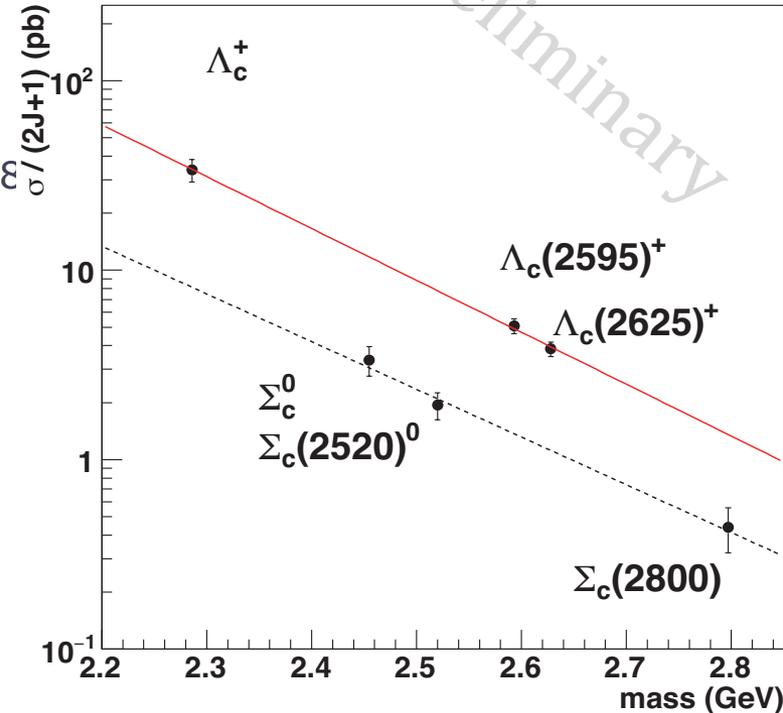
- Λ_c : spin-0 diquark, Σ_c : spin-1 diquark,
- mass difference of spin-1 and 0 diquarks

$$\begin{aligned} m(ud_1)^2 - m(ud_0)^2 \\ = (8.2 \pm 0.8) \times 10^4 \text{ (MeV}/c^2)^2 \end{aligned}$$

ref. $490^2 - 420^2 = 6.4 \times 10^4 \text{ (MeV}/c^2)^2$

B. Andersson et al., Phys. Rept. 97, 31 (1983)

- Slightly higher than reference but consistent with the spin-1/0 diquark mass difference!



Summary

- ◆ Mass and widths of 5 excited Ξ_c states decaying into $\Xi_c\pi$
 - ◆ Masses: ~ 1 order improvement of precision
 - ◆ Widths: 5 first measurements ($\Xi_c(2645)^0$, $\Xi_c(2815)^+$, $\Xi_c(2815)^0$, $\Xi_c(2790)^+$, $\Xi_c(2790)^0$)
- ◆ Higher excited Ξ_c decaying into ΛD
 - ◆ Relative BFs ($\Lambda D / \Sigma_c K$) for $\Xi_c(3055)$, $\Xi_c(3080)$
 - ◆ Relative BF ($\Sigma_c^* K / \Sigma_c K$) for $\Xi_c(3080)$
 - ◆ Mass and width of $\Xi_c(3055)^0$
- ◆ Studies of Λ_c^+ decay modes
 - ◆ Upper limit on $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\phi\pi^0$ and P_s
 - ◆ Precise measurement of B.F. of $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+\pi^0$
 - ◆ First observation of DCS decay of $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^+\pi^-$
- ◆ Production cross sections of hyperons and charmed baryons
 - ◆ **Suppression for Σ_c baryons**, indicating diquark structure in charmed baryons