

# Study of $\Xi^*$ and other Hyperons at Belle/Belle II

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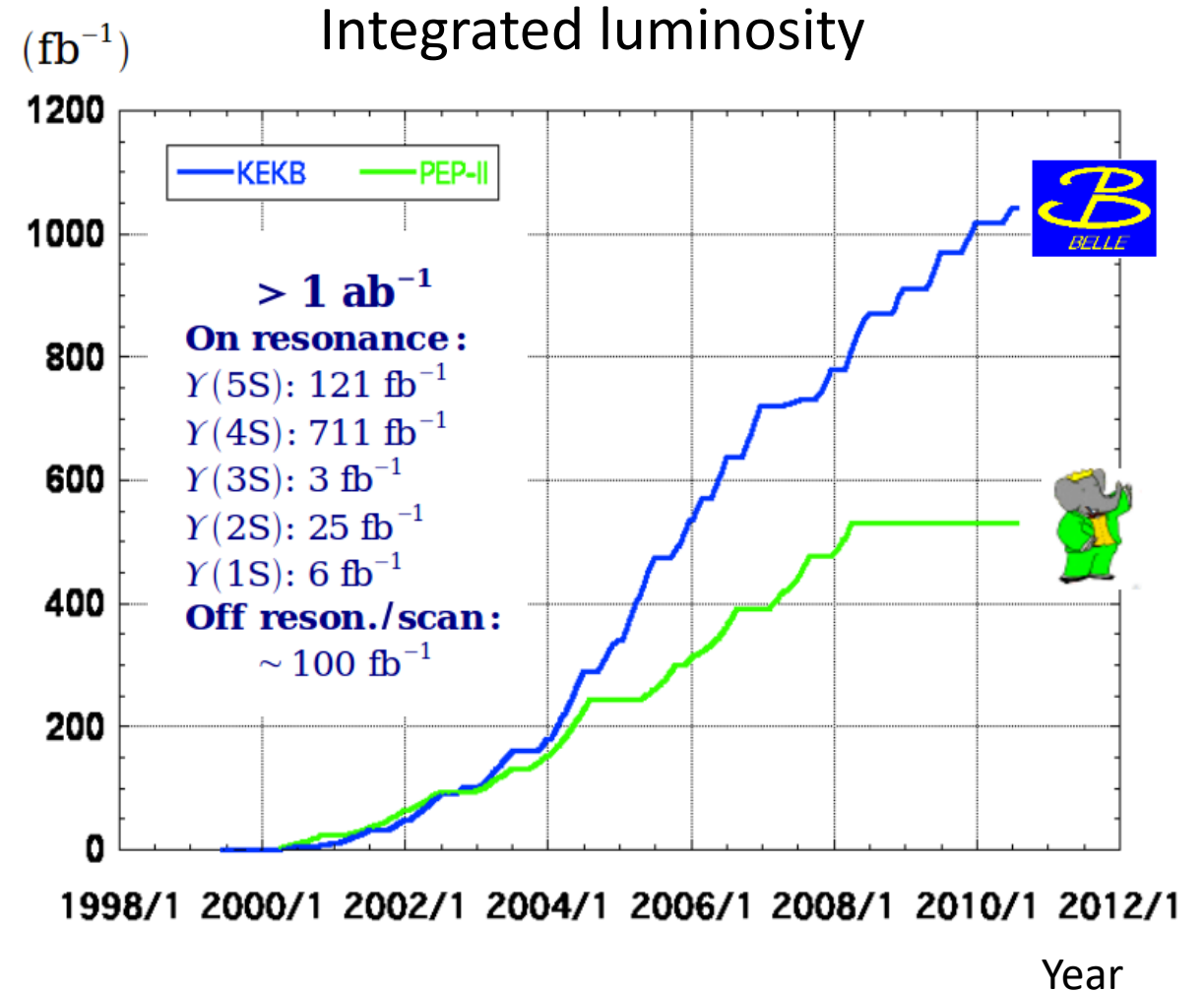


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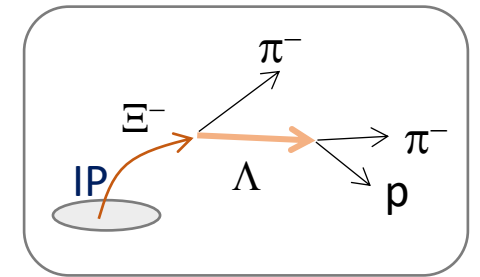
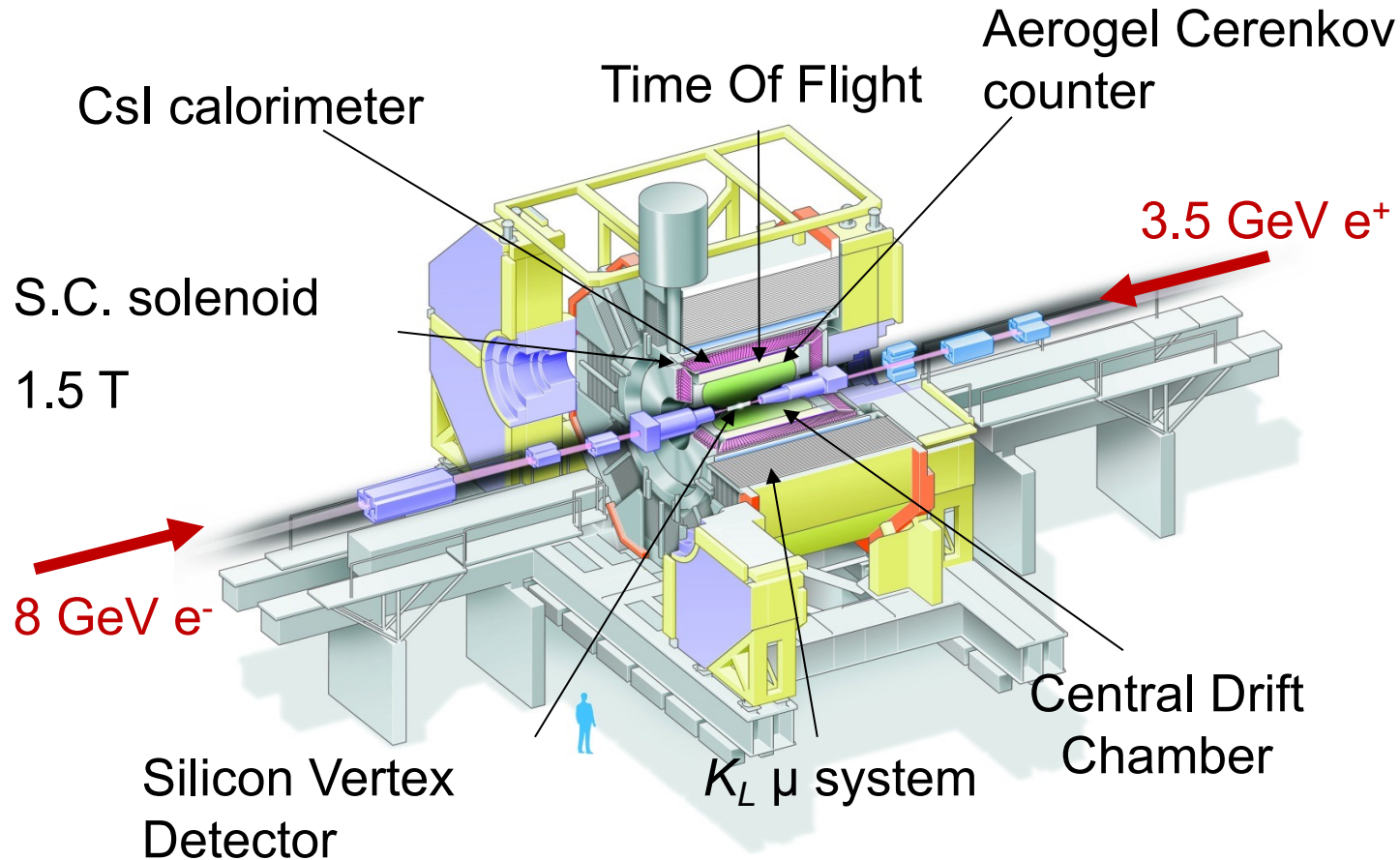
# Belle experiment



- Belle experiment is the experiment at **KEK B factory** with **Belle detector** dedicated for the CP violation physics of B mesons.
- Data acquisition was finished in June 2010 (running 1999-2010).
- $\sqrt{s} \sim 10.6 \text{ GeV}$
- $1 \text{ ab}^{-1}$  integrated luminosity
- A lot of hadrons  $\rightarrow$  **hadron physics**



# Belle detector



$$c\tau_{\Lambda} = 7.98 \text{ cm}$$

$$c\tau_{\Xi^-} = 4.91 \text{ cm}$$

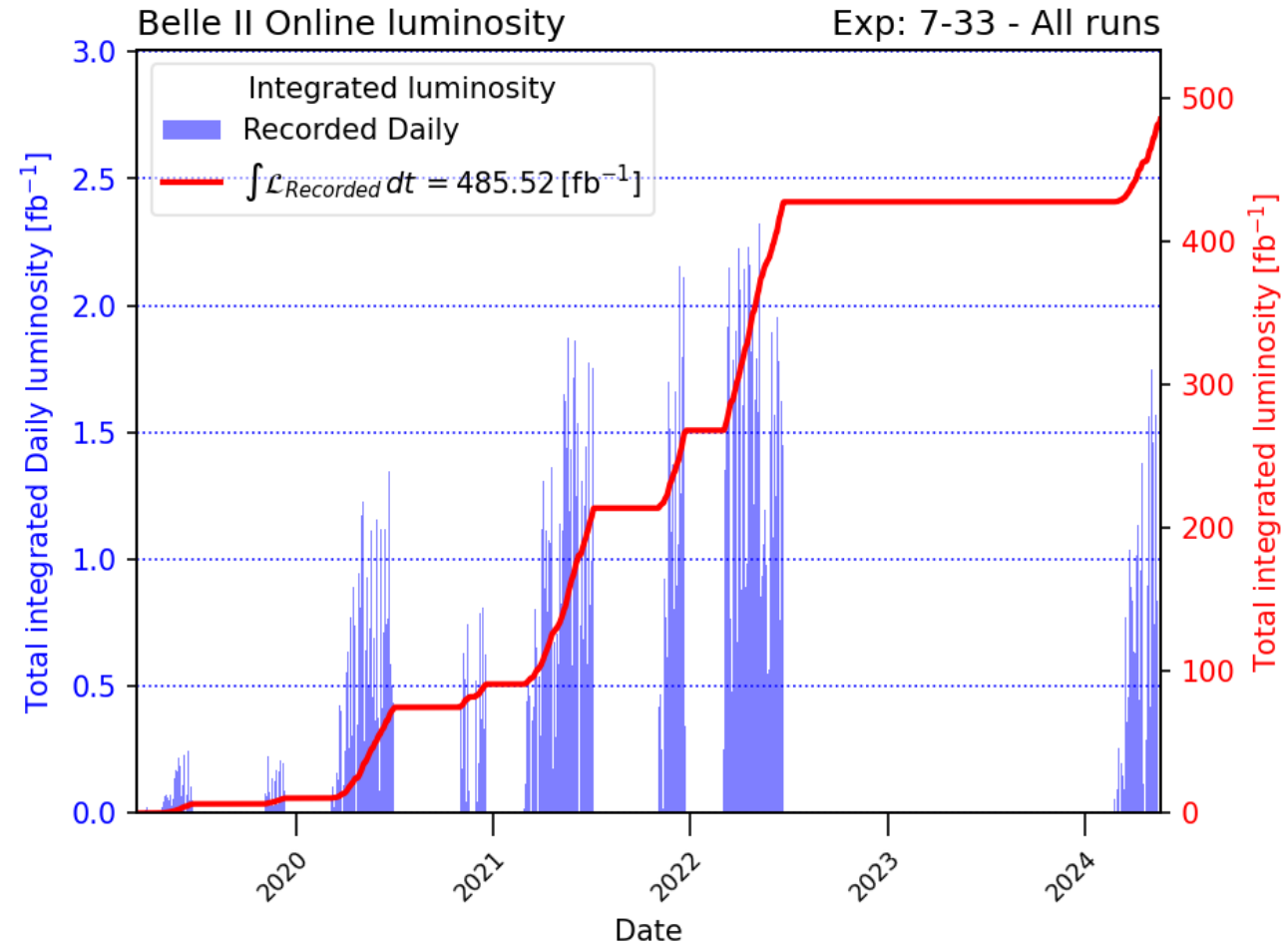
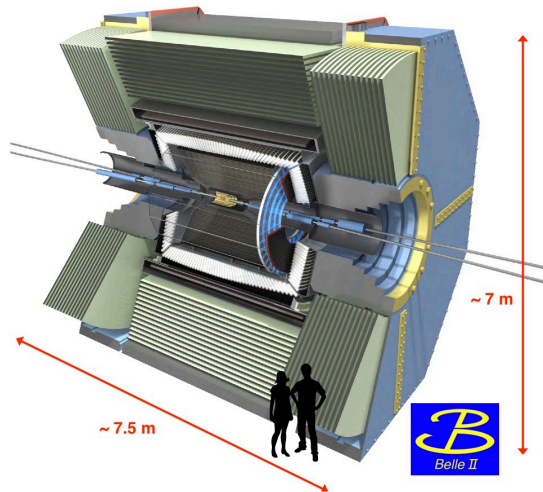
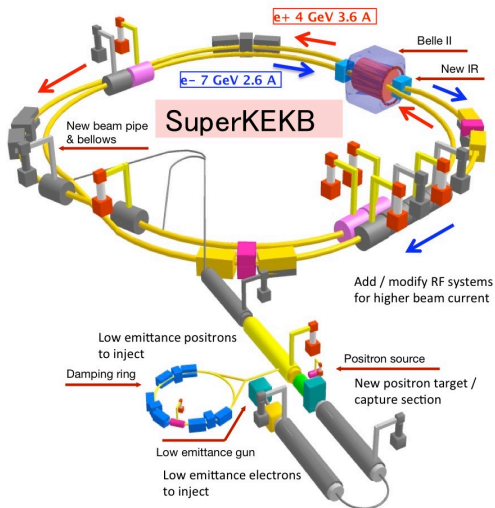
Long lifetime

Detect charged particle ( $e^{\pm} \mu^{\pm} \pi^{\pm} K^{\pm} p$ ) and  $\gamma$

# Belle → Belle II experiment

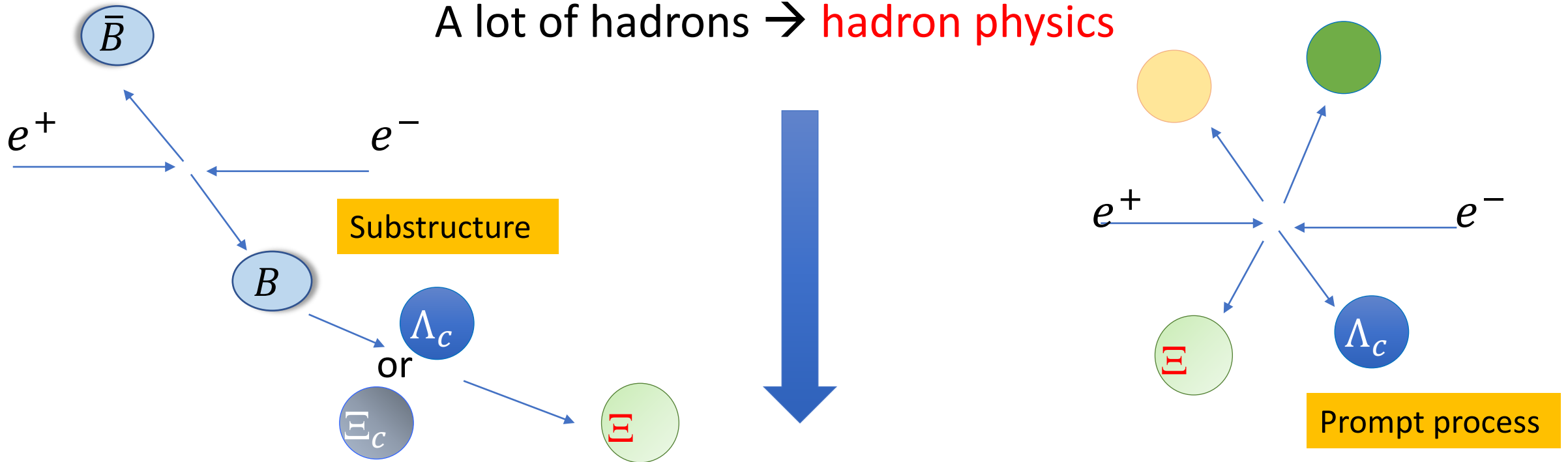


- Belle II experiment  
KEKB → SuperKEKB (accelerator)  
Belle detector → Belle II detector  
aiming one order higher luminosity
- Belle II experiment is now running.  
Upgrades in all parts of the detector



# Belle/Belle II experiment

A lot of hadrons → hadron physics



Access to various production/decay processes.  
Study charmed and strange baryons as resonant substructures in B meson decays or direct production from  $e^+e^-$  collisions.

$\Xi^*$  and cusp structures in  $\Lambda_c^+$  decay

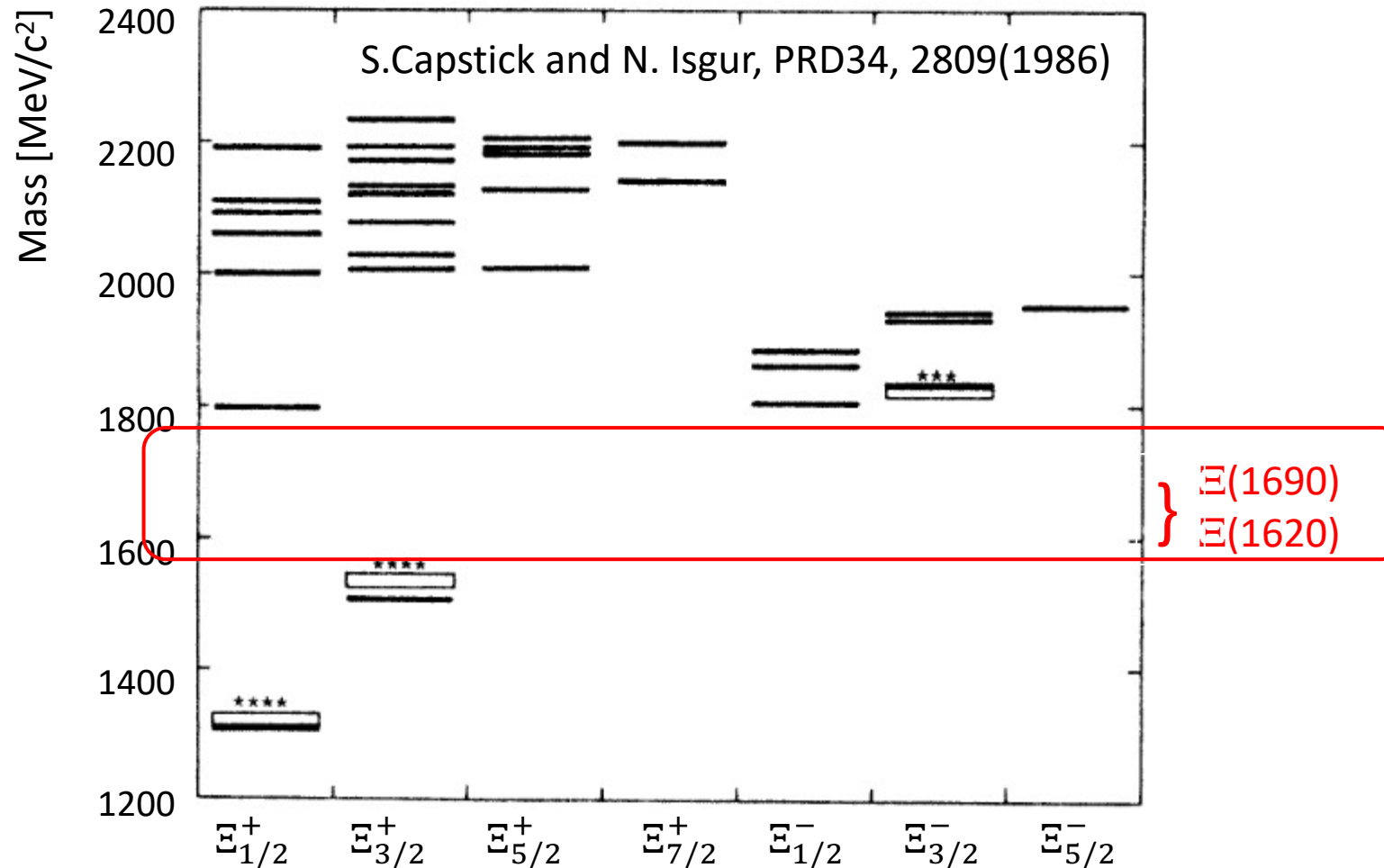
# Physics motivation -Status of $\Xi^*$

[Particle Data Group, Phys. Rev. D 110, 030001 \(2024\)](#)

Particle	$J^P$	Overall status	$\Xi\pi$	$\Lambda K$	$\Sigma K$	$\Xi(1530)\pi$	Other channels
$\Xi(1318)$	$1/2^+$	****					Decays weakly
$\Xi(1530)$	$3/2^+$	****	****				
$\Xi(1620)$		**	**				
$\Xi(1690)$		***	**	***	**		
$\Xi(1820)$	$3/2^-$	***	**	***	**	**	
$\Xi(1950)$		***	**	**		*	
$\Xi(2030)$		***		**	***		
$\Xi(2120)$		*		*			
$\Xi(2250)$		**					3-body decays
$\Xi(2370)$		**					3-body decays
$\Xi(2500)$							3-body decays

- First excited states with  $1/2^+$ ,  $1/2^-$  are not identified.
- Important test of our understanding
- Analog of  $\Lambda(1405)$  with  $1/2^-$
- $\Xi(1620)/\Xi(1690)$  are candidates for  $1/2^-, 1/2^+$   
 → Inconsistent with constituent quark model

# Prediction by constituent QM

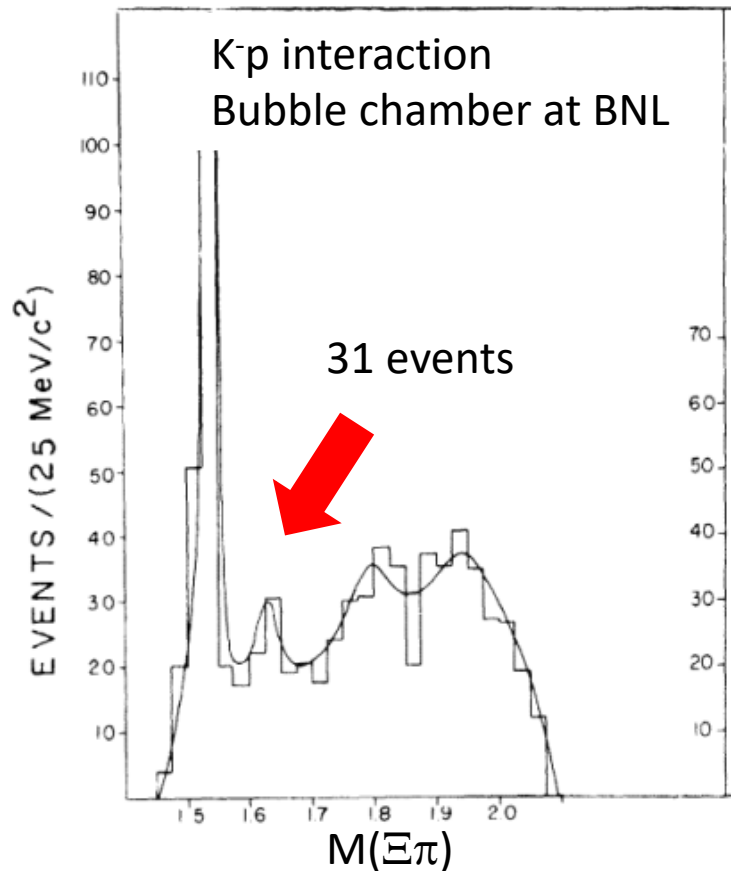


- Predicted first excited state in constituent quark model is around 1800 MeV.
- Controversy regarding the theoretical interpretation of  $\Xi(1690)$  and  $\Xi(1620)$



# Previous experiments on $\Xi(1620)^0/\Xi(1690)^0$

$\Xi(1620)^0$



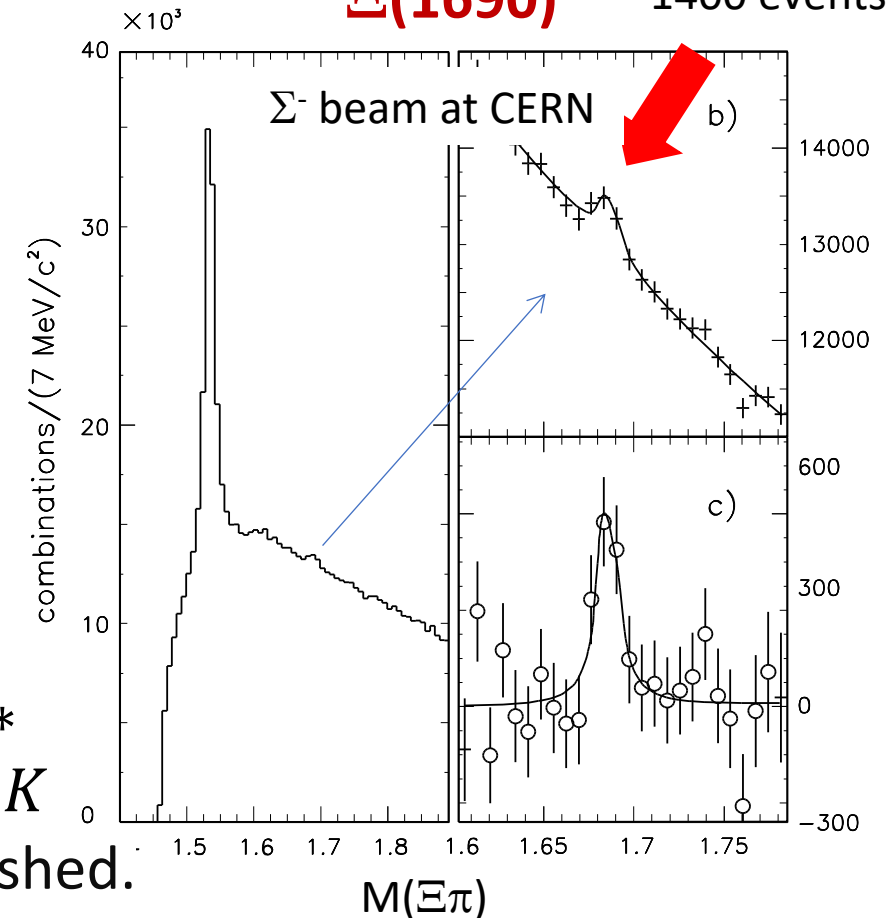
E. Briefel *et al.* PRD16 2706(1977)

$\Xi(1620)^*$   
the limited statistics

$\Xi(1690)^{***}$   
Seen in  $\Xi\pi, \Lambda K, \Sigma K$   
fairly well-established.

$\Xi(1690)^0$

1400 events

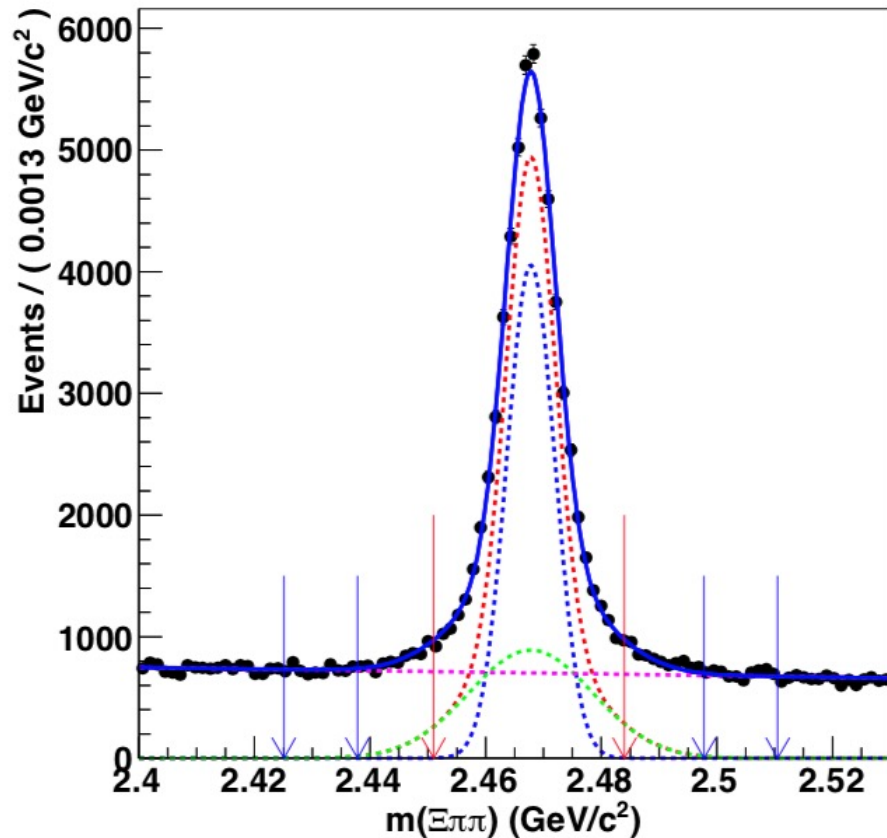


M.I. Adamovich *et al.* EPJ C5 621 (1998)  
WA89 collaboration

$\Xi(1620)/\Xi(1690)$  in  $\Xi_c^+ \rightarrow \Xi^- \pi^+ \pi^+$  at Belle

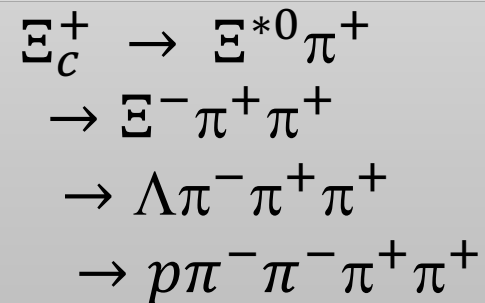
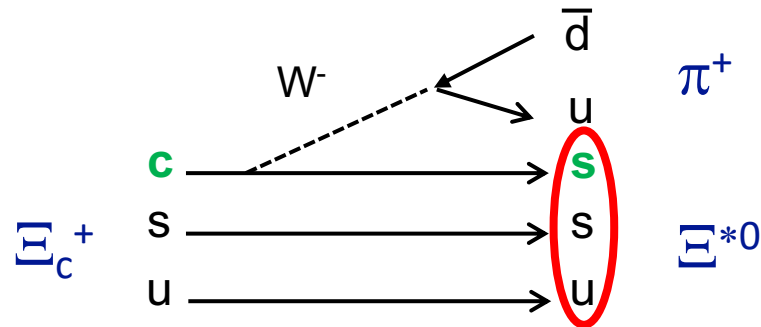


# $\Xi^{*0}$ in $\Xi_c^+ \rightarrow \Xi^- \pi^+ \pi^+$ at Belle experiment

 $\Xi_c^+$ 
 $\sim 50,000$  events


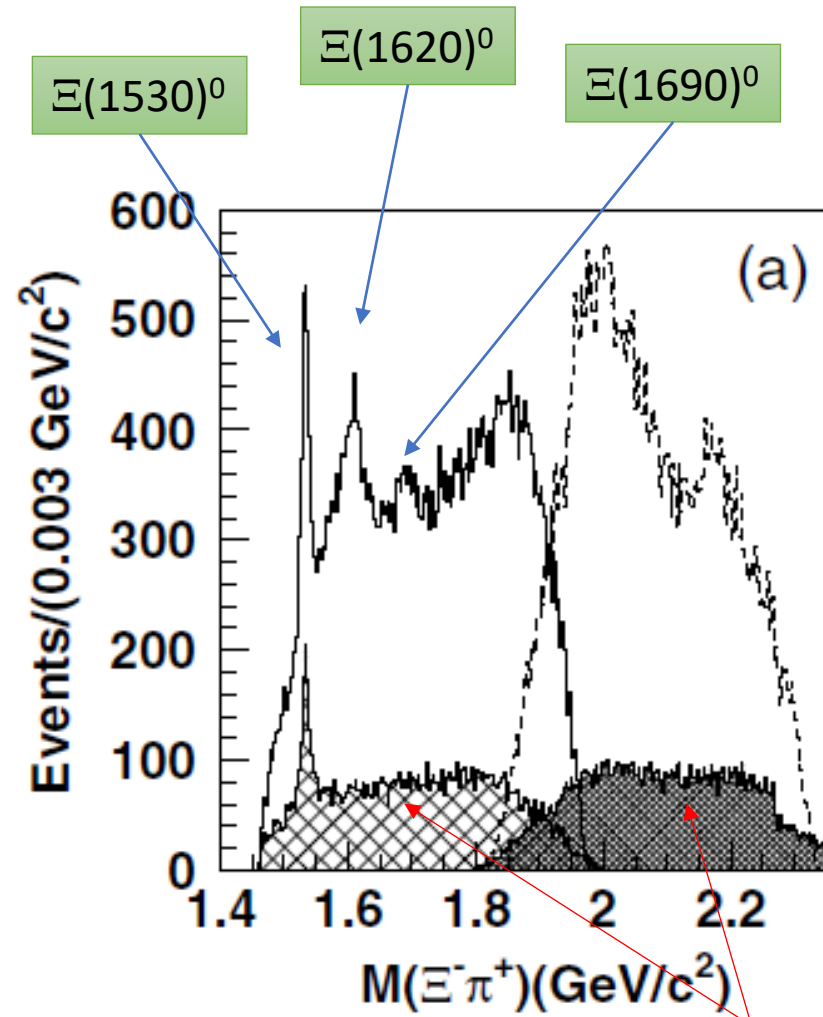
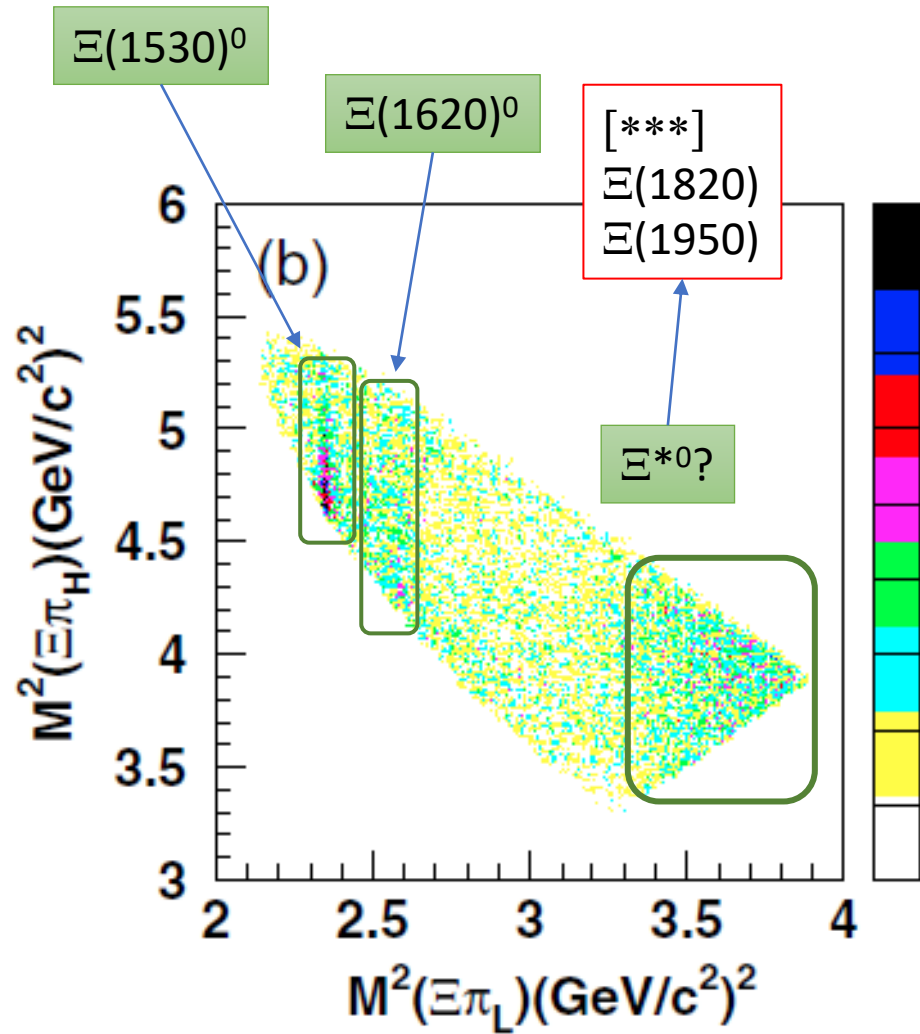
Charmed baryons have an advantage in finding strange baryons as a substructure in the weak decay of charmed baryons.

All data sample,  $980 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



The best condition  
due to a good efficiency  
and momentum resolution  
of charged particles

# Dalitz plot and $M(\Xi^-\pi^+)$ of $\Xi_c^+ \rightarrow \Xi^-\pi_L^+\pi_H^+$

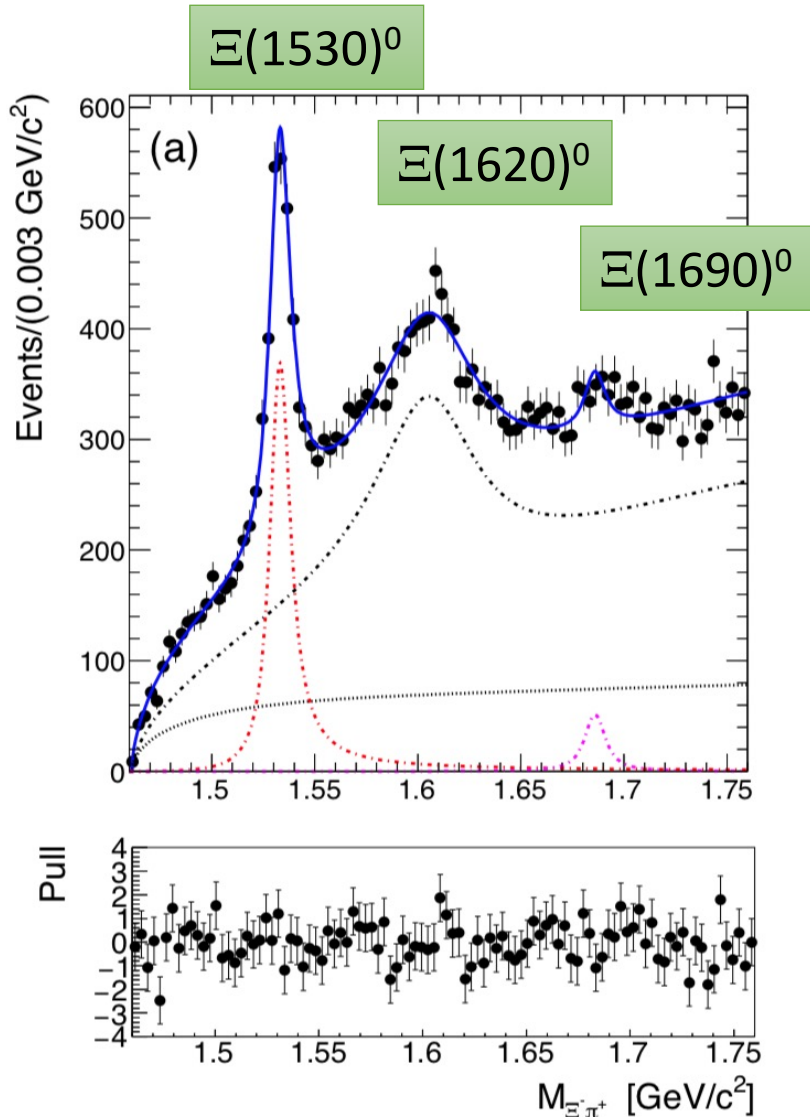


No prompt process?

$\Xi_c^+$  sideband events

# Invariant mass spectrum

$$\Xi^- \pi_L^+$$



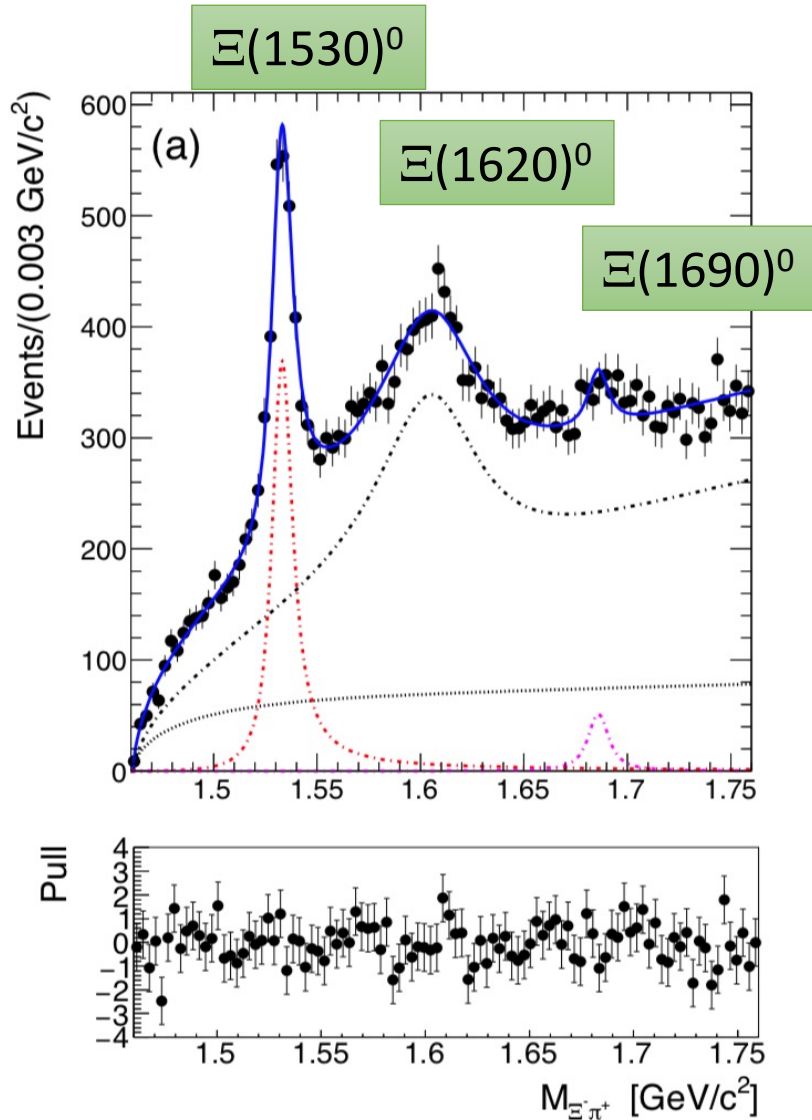
## Determination of mass and width of $\Xi(1620)^0$

✓ Fitting function:

- $\Xi(1530)$  -relativistic P-wave Breit-Wigner
- $\Xi(1620)$  -relativistic S-wave Breit-Wigner convoluted with Gaussian
- $\Xi(1690)$  -relativistic S-wave Breit-Wigner convoluted with Gaussian (fixed mass/width)
- **Nonresonant**- S-wave 3 body decay (phase space)
- **Combinatorial background** (sideband events)

Interference between  $\Xi(1620)$  and nonresonant

# Invariant mass spectrum $\Xi^- \pi_L^+$



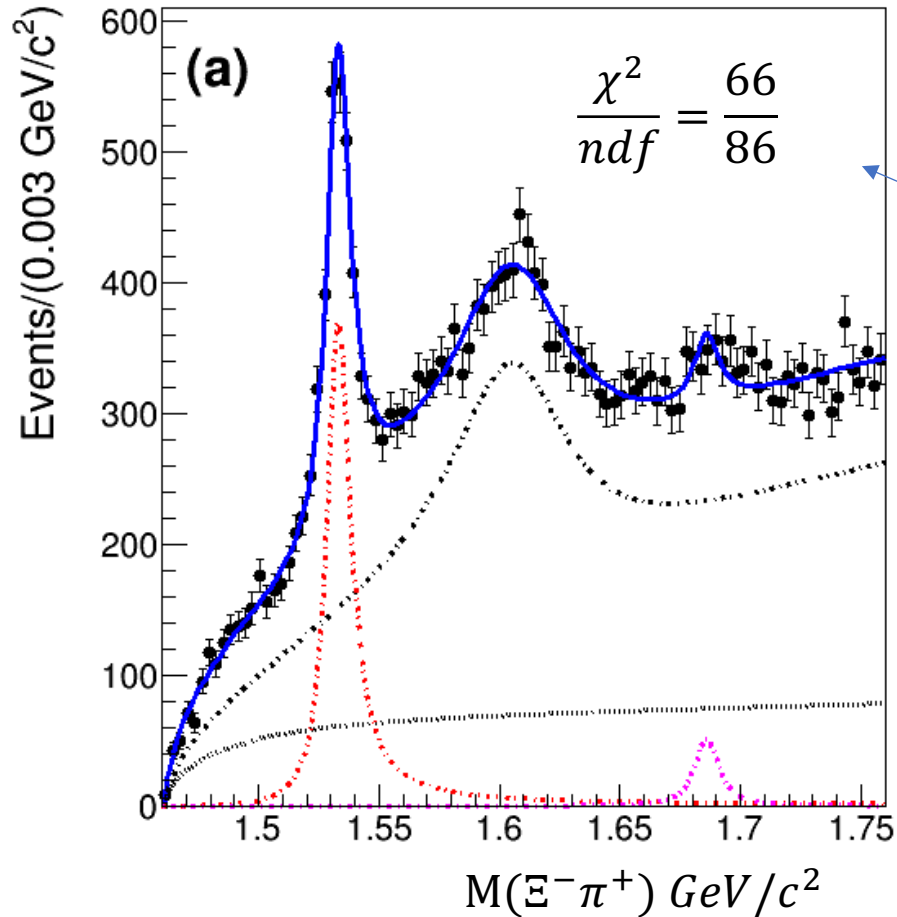
## Determination of mass and width of $\Xi(1620)^0$

- Mass:  
 $1610.4 \pm 6.0(\text{stat.})_{-4.2}^{+6.1}(\text{syst.}) \text{ MeV}/c^2$
- Width:  
 $59.9 \pm 4.8(\text{stat.})_{-7.1}^{+2.8}(\text{syst.}) \text{ MeV}$ 
  - ✓ Consistent with previous experiments
  - ✓ Much more precise
  - ✓ Large width
- Significance  
 $25\sigma$  for  $\Xi(1620)^0$ ,  $4.0\sigma$  for  $\Xi(1690)^0$



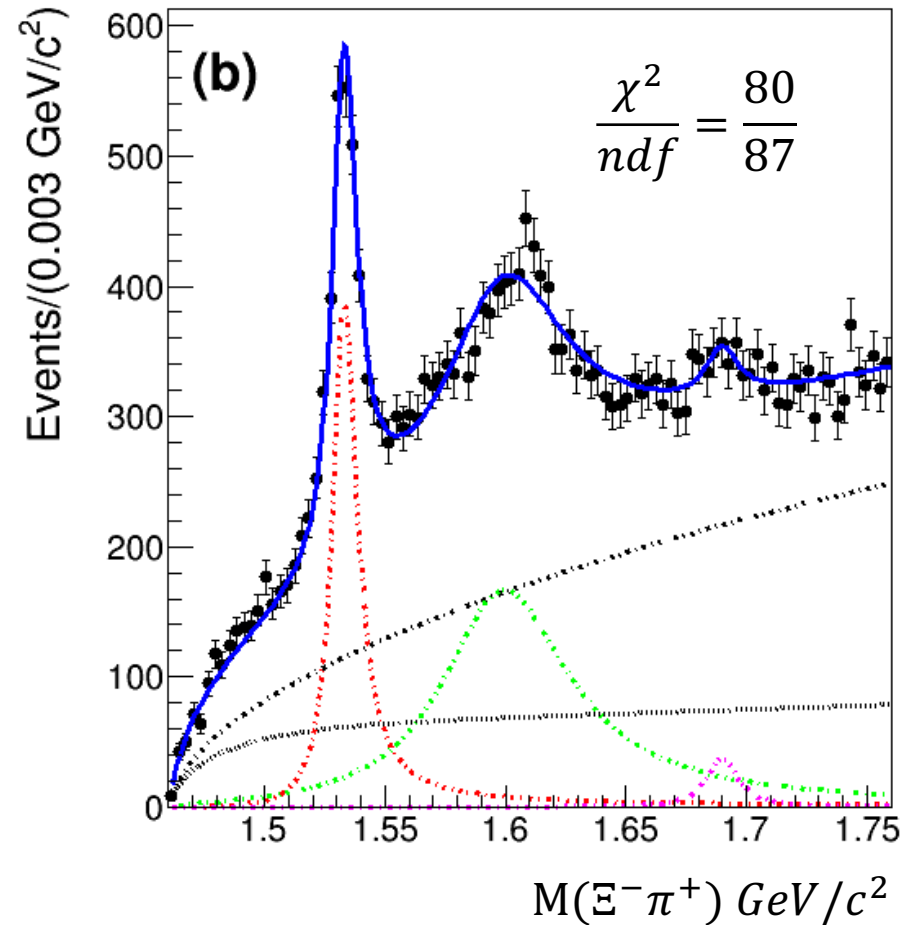
# Asymmetric shape of mass peak

w/ interference  
between  $\Xi(1620)$  and  $s$ -wave nonresonant



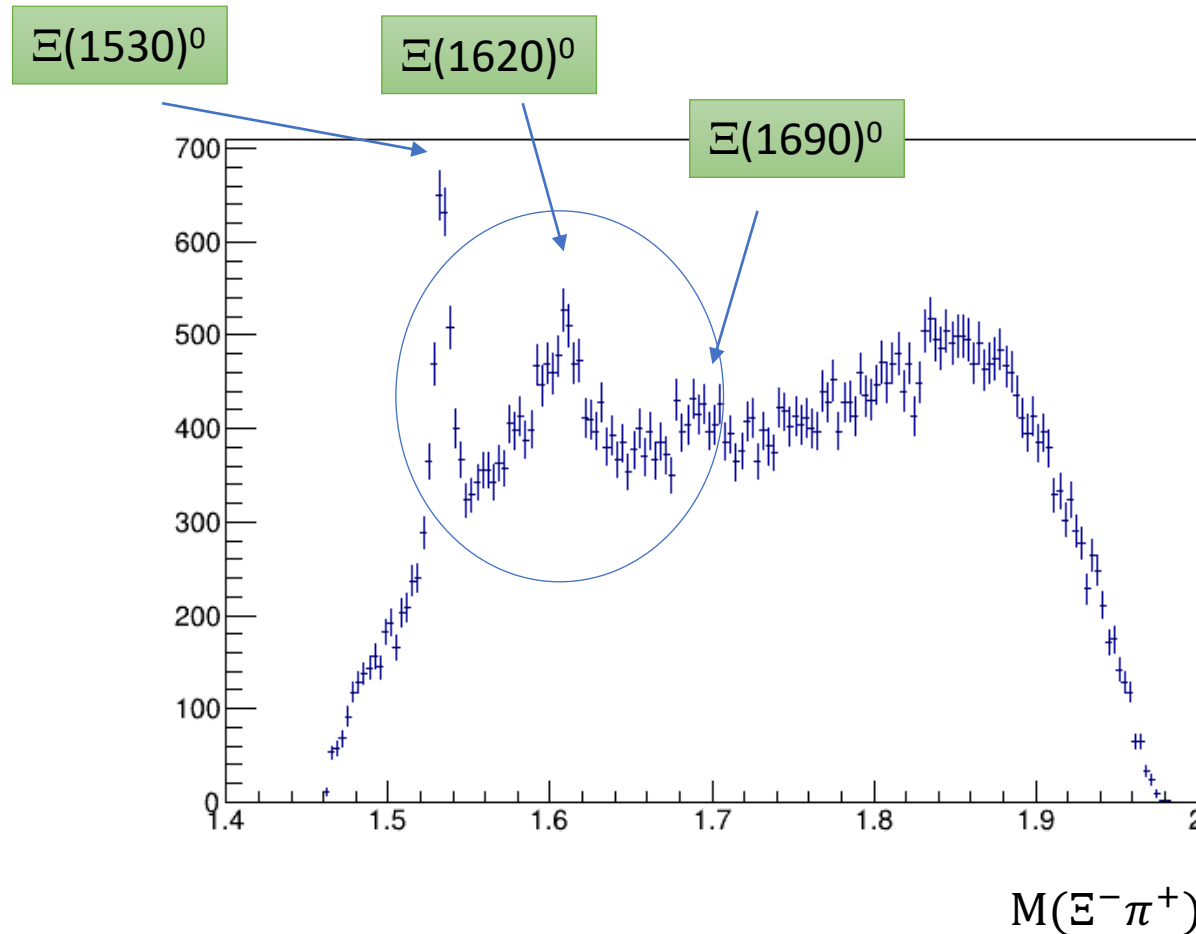
Better fit

w/o interference



# Is this a resonance?

Is interference the best explanation for the asymmetric shape?



“Asymmetric shape”



Interference?  
Another possibility?

Peak is near  $K\Lambda$  threshold.  
 $1620 \sim M(K\Lambda)$



Resonance or cusp?



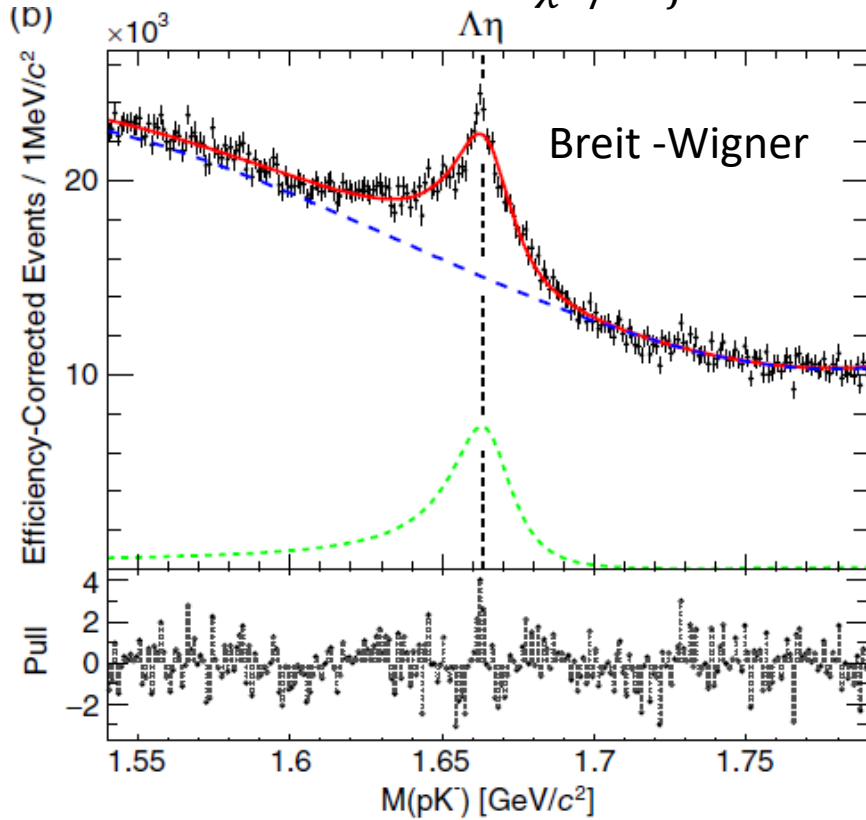


# Peak at $\Lambda\eta$ threshold in $pK^-$ of $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+$

All data sample,  $980 fb^{-1}$

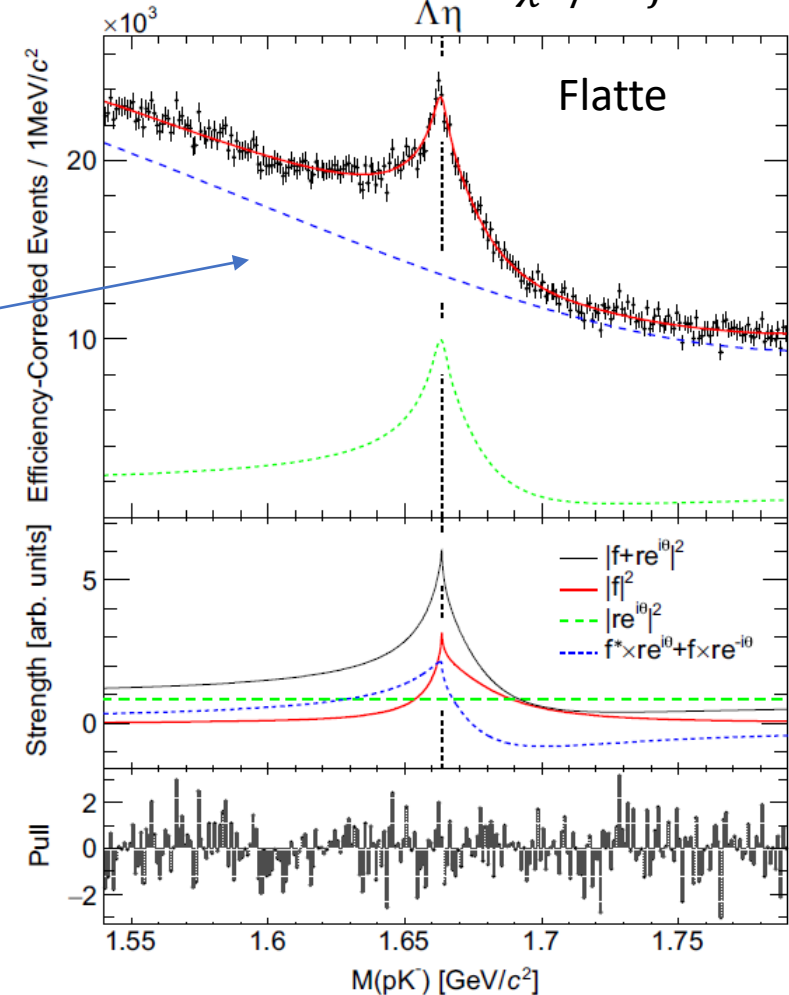
Breit-Wigner as Resonance

$\chi^2/ndf = 1.27$



Flatte function as Cusp

$\chi^2/ndf = 1.06$



Best fit



Threshold cusp

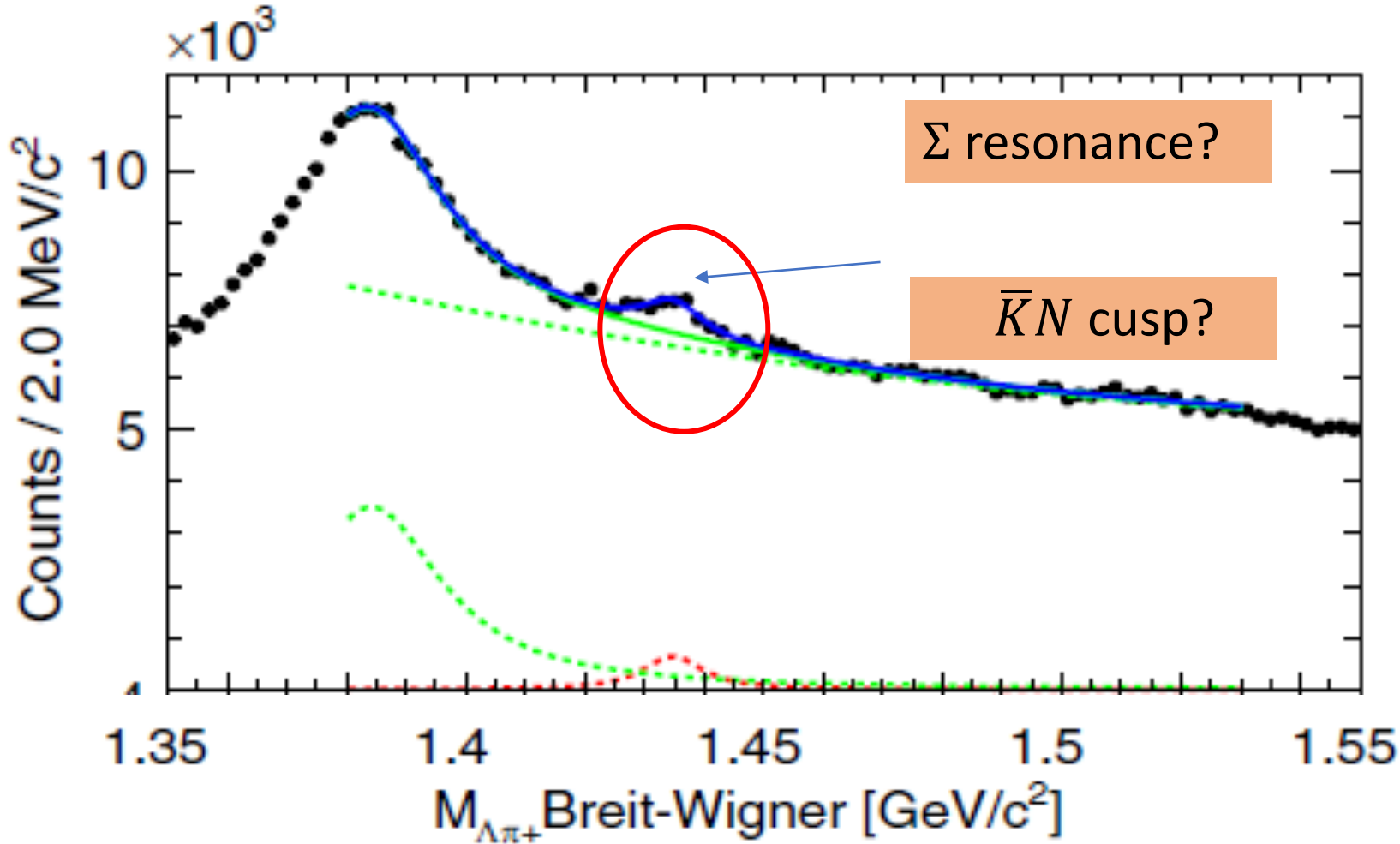
Flatte function



# Signal in $M(\Lambda\pi^\pm)$ in $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^+\pi^+\pi^-$

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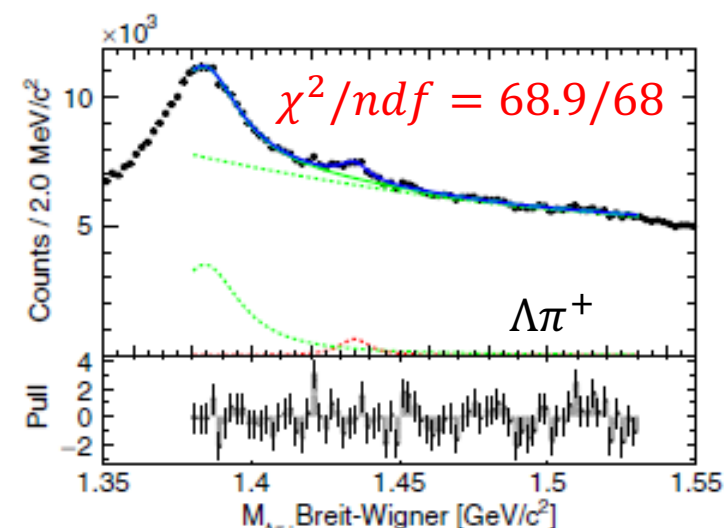
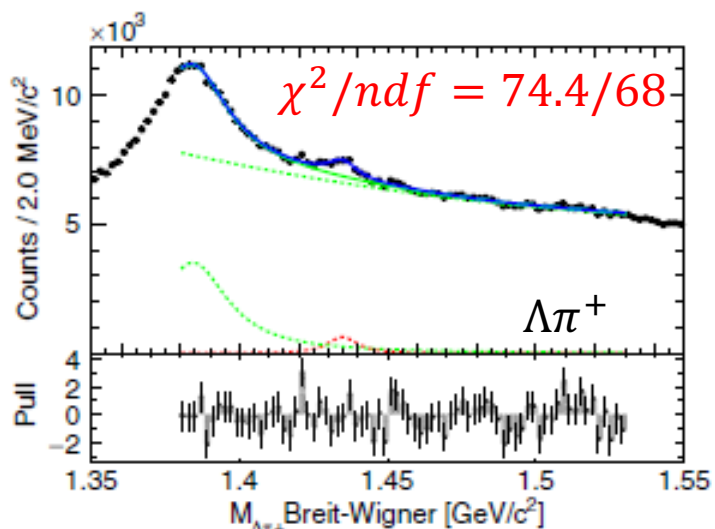
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^*\pi^+\pi^-$



Test  
with Breit-wigner function  
and  
with Dalitz model



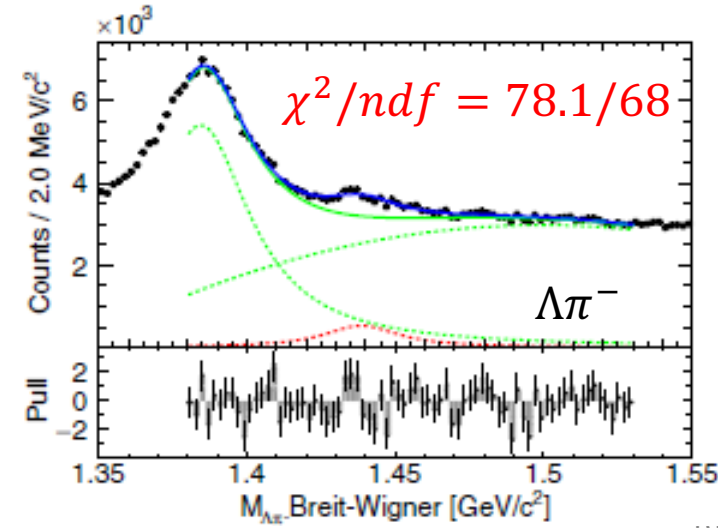
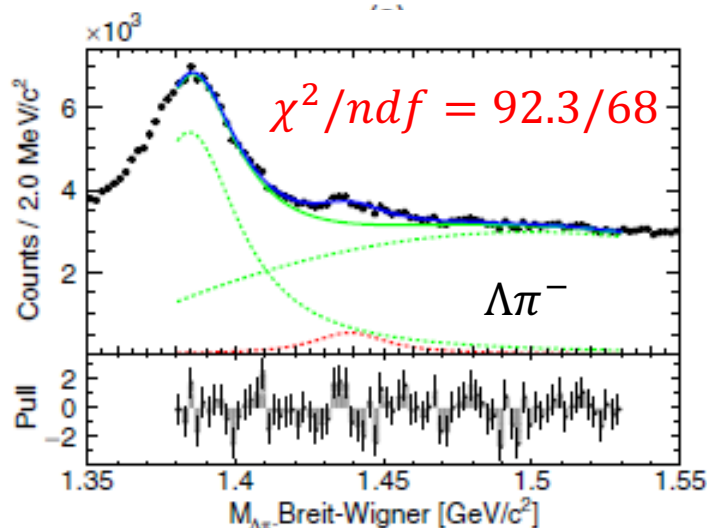
# Signal in $M(\Lambda\pi^\pm)$ in $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^+\pi^+\pi^-$



$\Sigma$  resonance

$\bar{K}N$  cusp

Not discriminate



# Theoretical calculations

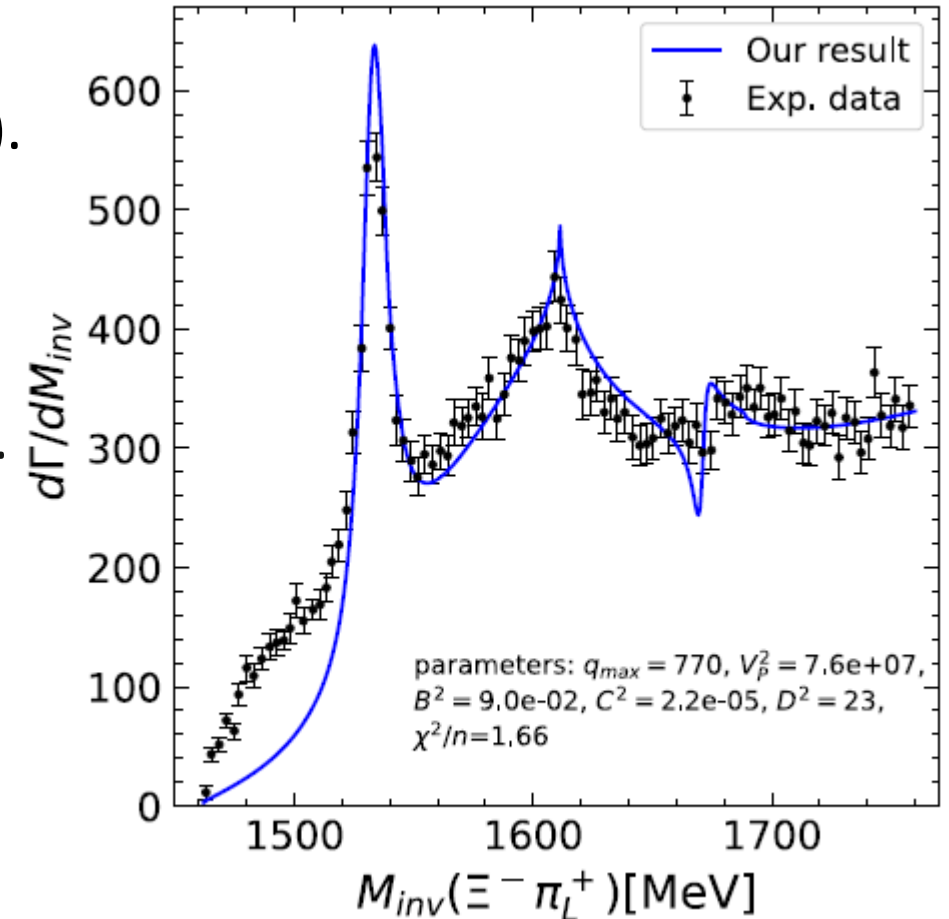
Eur. Phys. J. C (2023) 83:954

Some studies can generate both  $\Xi(1620)$  and  $\Xi(1690)$ .

These two resonances are generated dynamically from the interaction in coupled channels of  $\pi\Xi$ ,  $\bar{K}\Lambda$ ,  $\bar{K}\Sigma$ ,  $\eta\Xi$  within the chiral unitary approach.

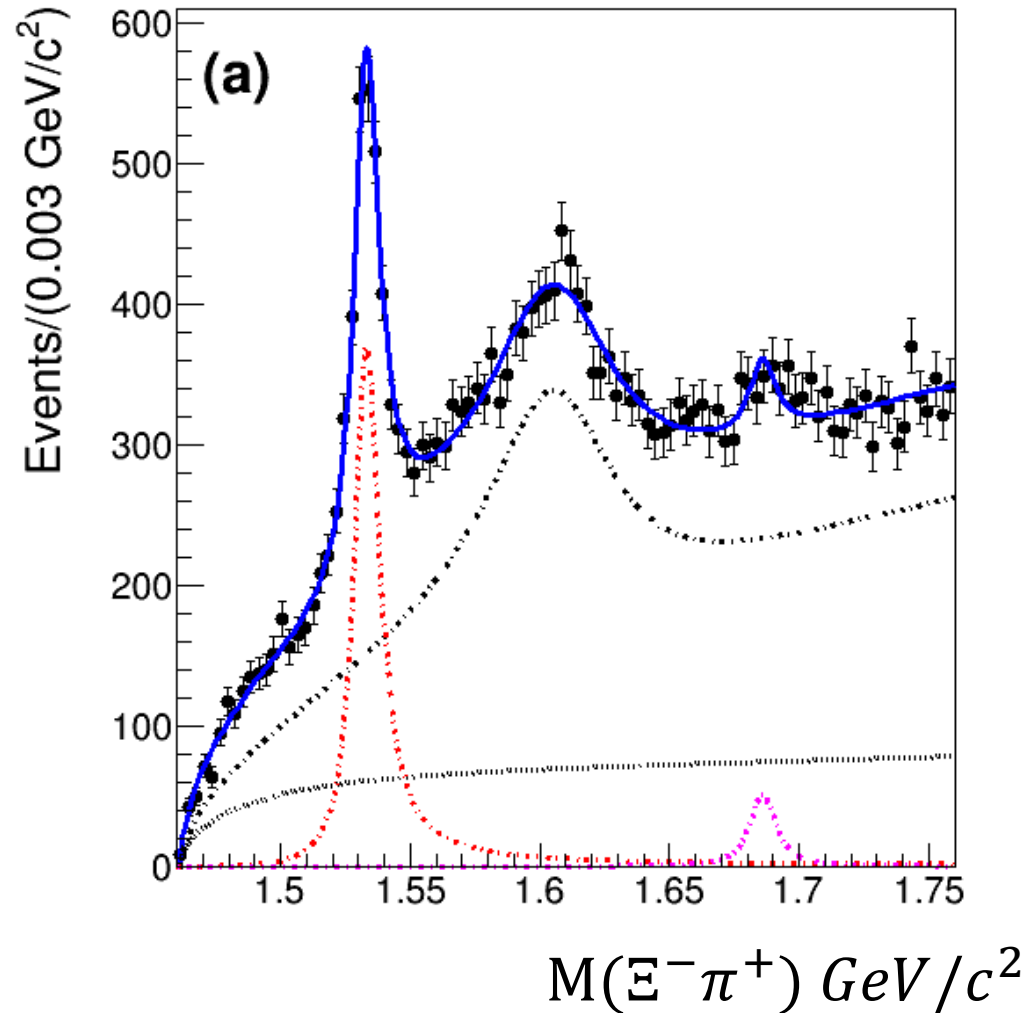
Some studies mention the  $\bar{K}N$  threshold effect.

The threshold cusp effect can distort the mass distribution and should be taken into account to determine the pole position.





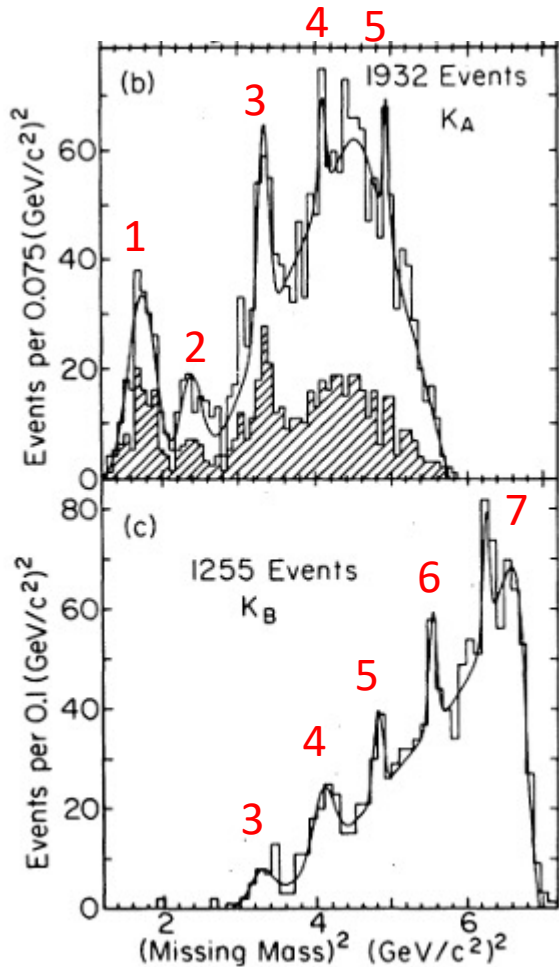
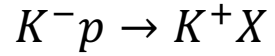
$$M(\Xi^- \pi^+) \text{ in } \Xi_c^+ \rightarrow \Xi^- \pi_L^+ \pi_H^+$$



Asymmetric shape  
→ We need further study  
Including a threshold cusp.

# $\Xi^*$ in missing mass

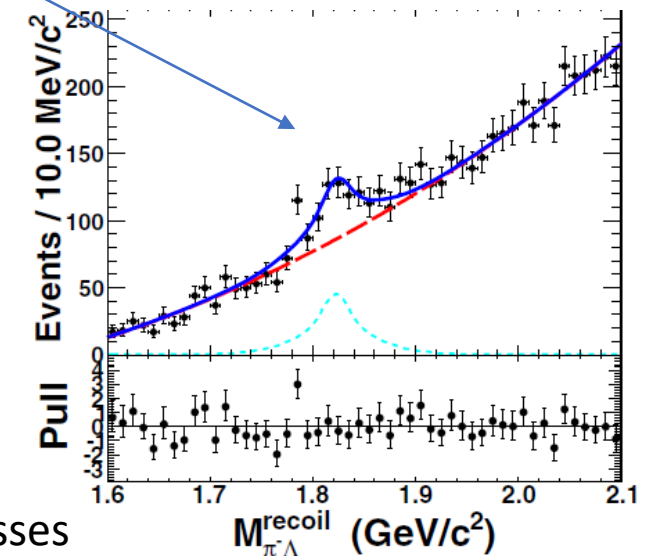
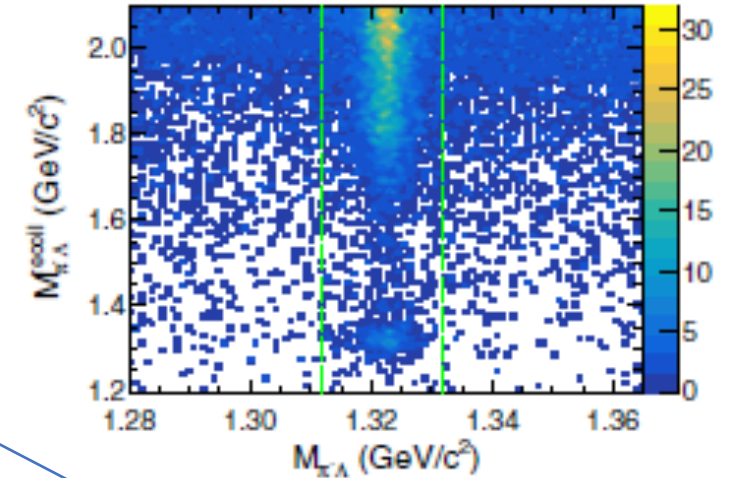
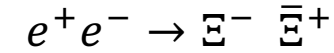
PRL 51.951 (1983) BNL



Particle	$J^P$	Overall status
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2 $\Xi(1530)$	$3/2^+$	****
→ $\Xi(1620)$		**
→ $\Xi(1690)$		***
3 $\Xi(1820)$	$3/2^-$	***
→ $\Xi(1950)$		***
4 $\Xi(2030)$		***
→ $\Xi(2120)$		*
5 $\Xi(2250)$		**
6 $\Xi(2370)$		**
7 $\Xi(2500)$		*

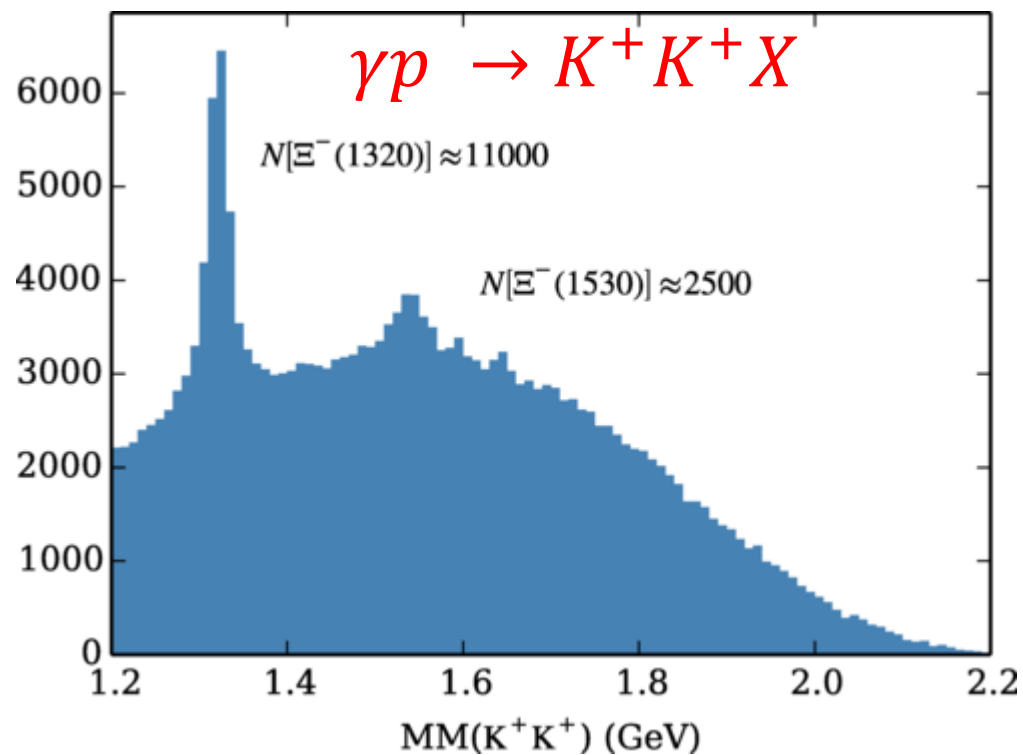
Missing??  
Broad width / low statistics

PRL 124,032002(2020) BESIII

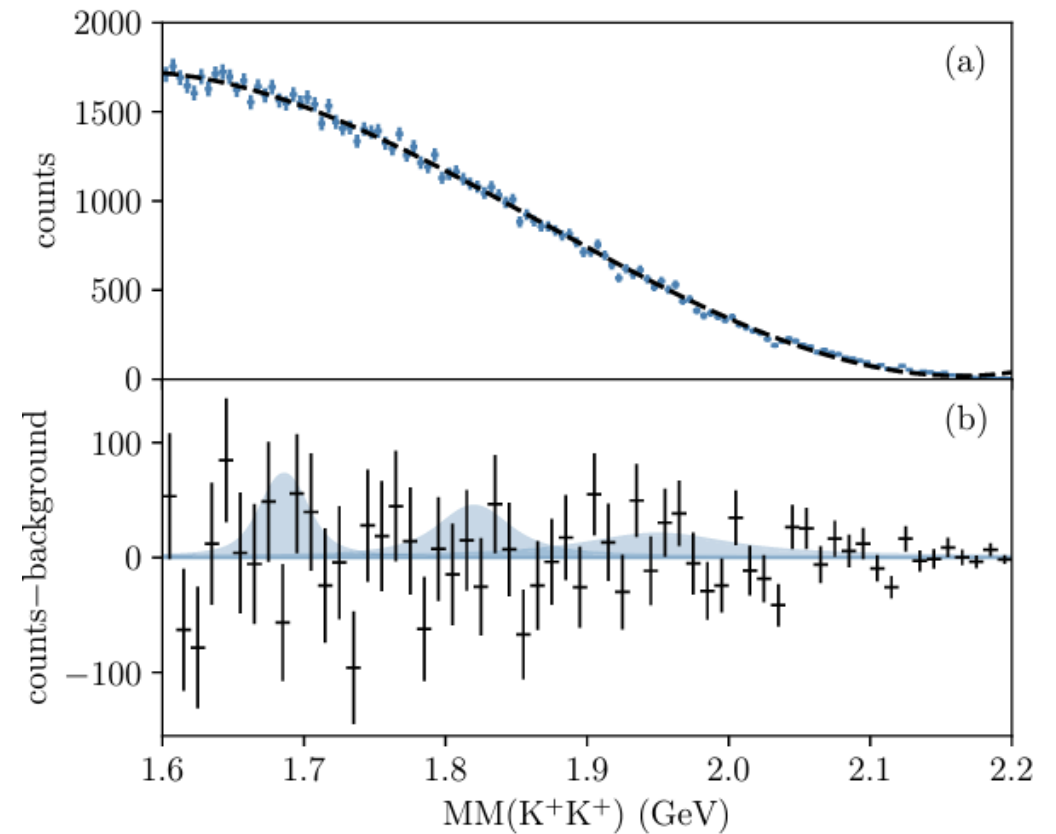


Some resonances might select specific production processes

# Missing mass of photoproduction from CLAS



No evidence for higher mass resonances



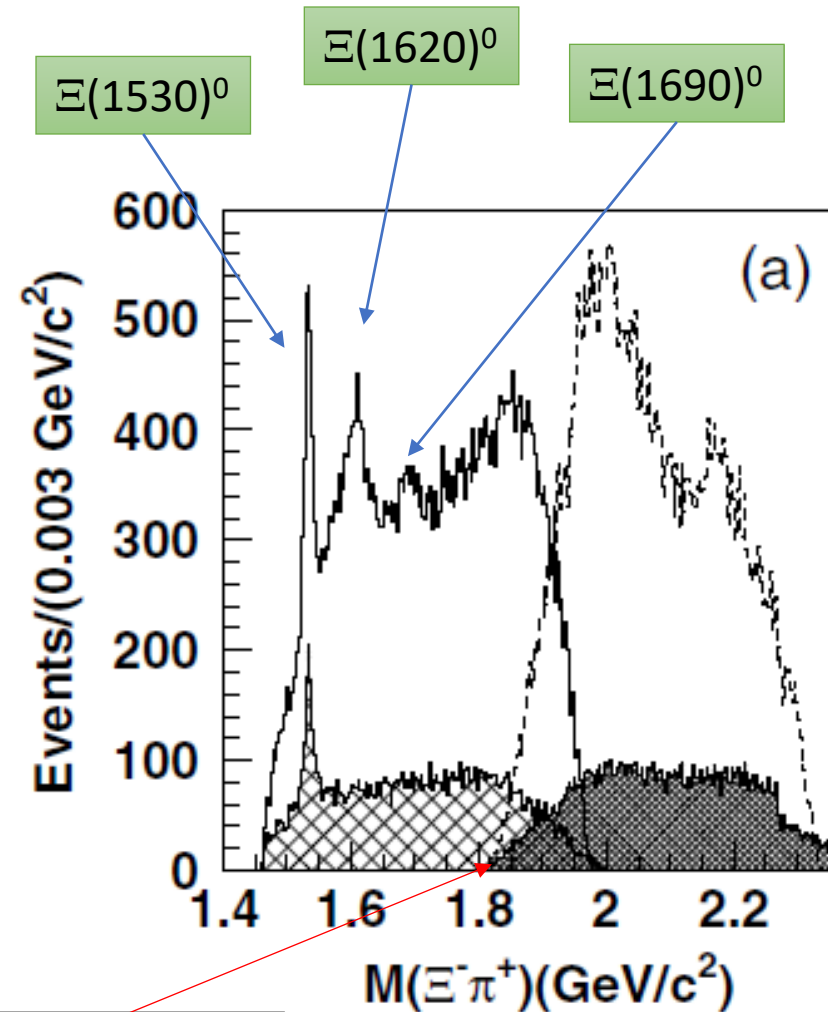
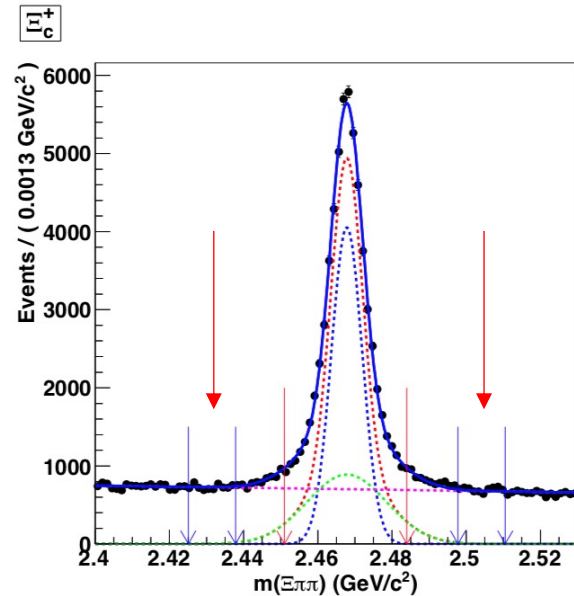
No evidence for higher mass  $\Xi^*$

This could be due to limited statistics. Alternatively, heavy resonances might not be producible with photons.



$$M(\Xi^- \pi^+) \text{ in } \Xi_c^+ \rightarrow \Xi^- \pi^+ \pi^+$$

- Resonance structures are seen in  $\Xi_c^+$  decay.
- Only  $\Xi(1530)$  is seen in the sideband spectrum.



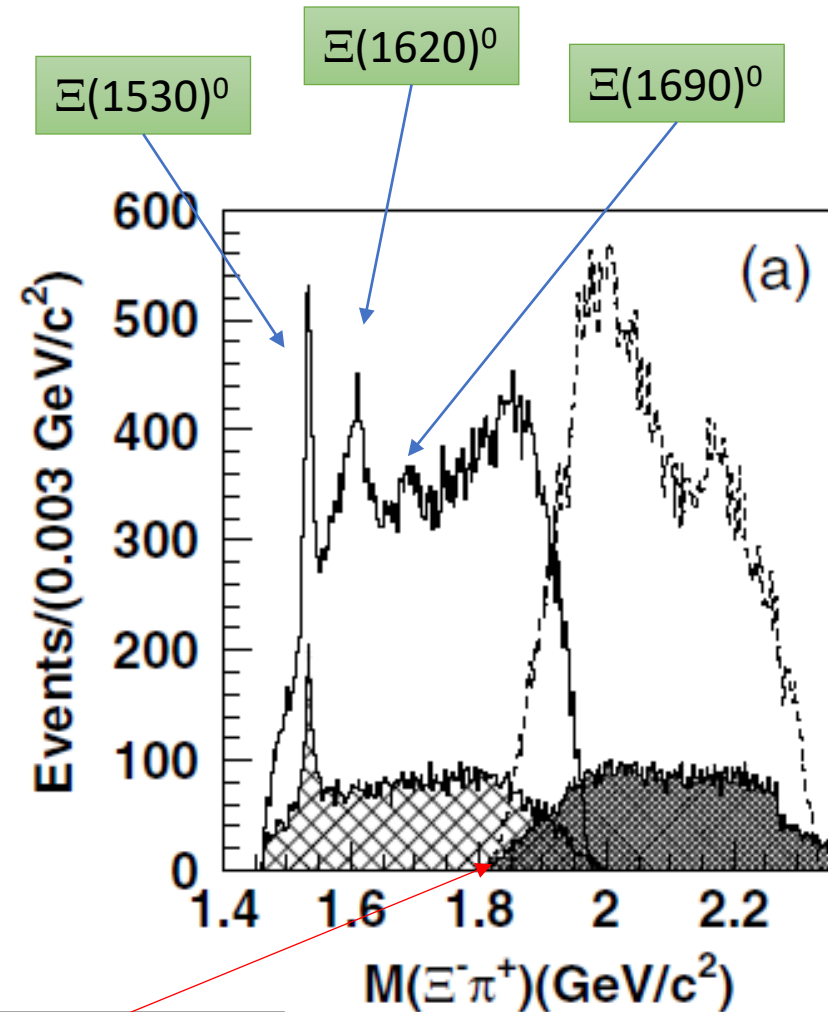
Sideband events





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- Resonance structures are seen in  $\Xi_c^+$  decay.
- Only  $\Xi(1530)$  is seen in the sideband spectrum.
- Some resonances can be generated through the charmed baryons but may not be generated in a prompt production.

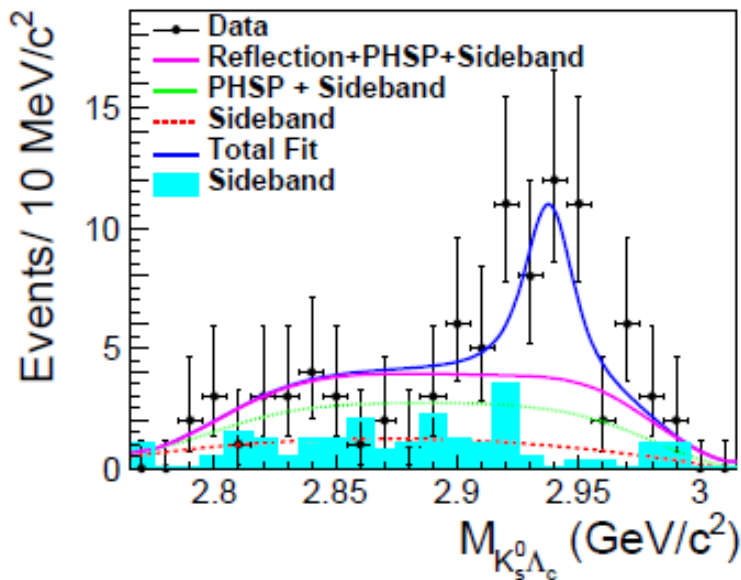
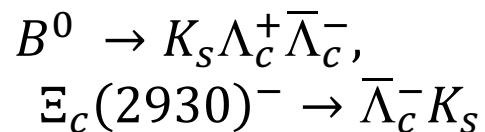


Sideband events

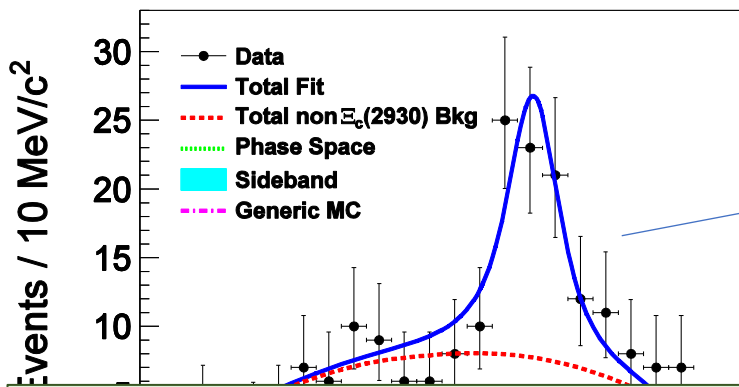
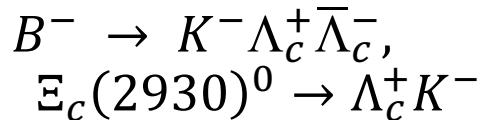
# Observation of $\Xi_c(2923) / \Xi_c(2939)$



EPJC78, 928 (2018)



EPJ C78, 252 (2018)



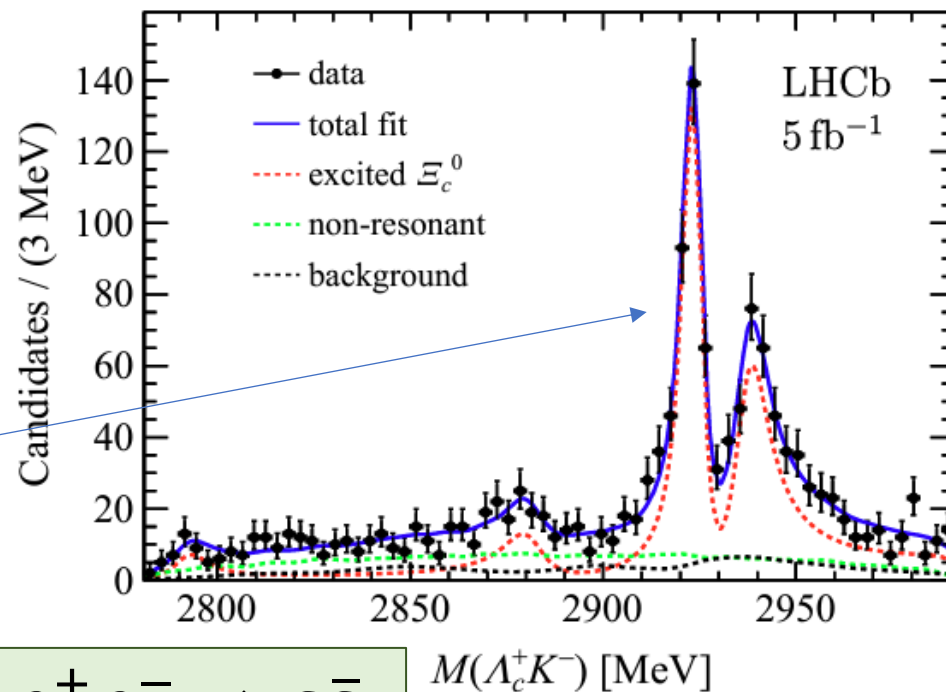
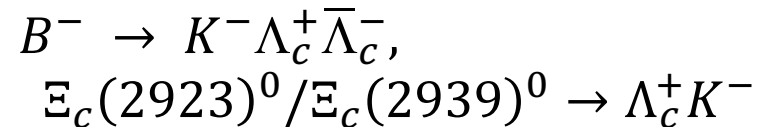
Not seen in prompt process in  $e^+ e^- \rightarrow c \bar{c}$

711 fb<sup>-1</sup> at  $\Upsilon(4S)$  data sample

$M_{K\Lambda_c}$  (GeV/c<sup>2</sup>)

LHCb

PRD, 108, 012020 (2023)



# Summary of $\Xi^*$ study

## ◆ Decay processes

- \* Invariant mass : select specific decay modes

- \* Missing mass : include all decay modes



investigate the nature of resonances

## ◆ Production processes

- \*  $K^-$  beam

- \* Photon beam

- \*  $e^+e^-$  collider

→ Direct (prompt) production / Substructure of charmed baryons

investigate the nature of resonances

Some resonances select specific production processes, production processes can also be a valuable tool to investigate the nature of resonances.

$$\Lambda_c (2625)^+ \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \text{ and } \Sigma_c \pi$$

# $\Lambda_c (2625)^+$ in PDG

$$I(J^P) = 0(\frac{3}{2}^-) \text{ Status: } ***$$

- Mass difference

$$\Lambda_c (2625)^+ - \Lambda_c^+ = 341.65 \pm 0.13 \text{ MeV}$$

- Width

$$\Gamma < 0.97 \text{ MeV}$$

- Decay mode

$$\Lambda_c^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \quad \sim 67\% \text{ (P - wave decay)}$$

$$\Sigma_c^{+,0} \pi^\pm \quad < 5\% \text{ (D - wave decay)}$$

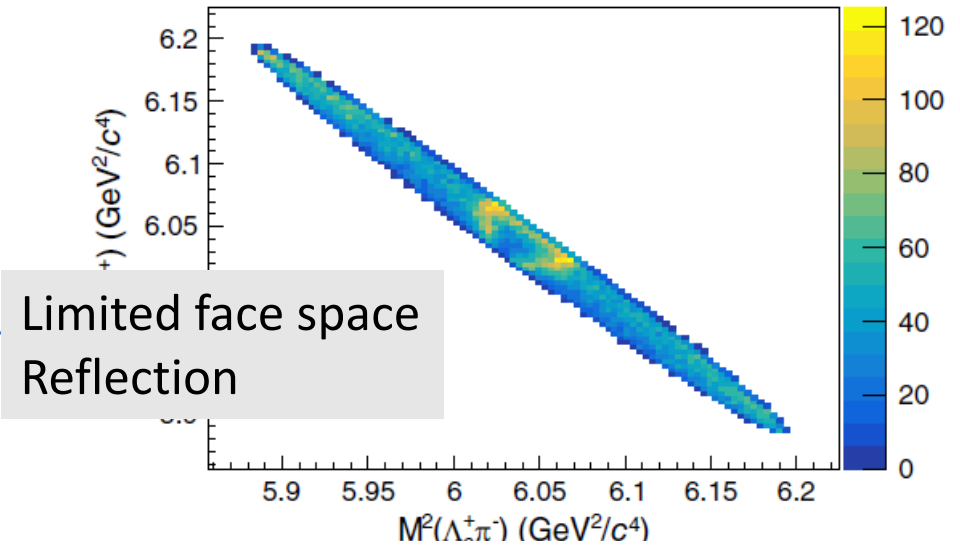
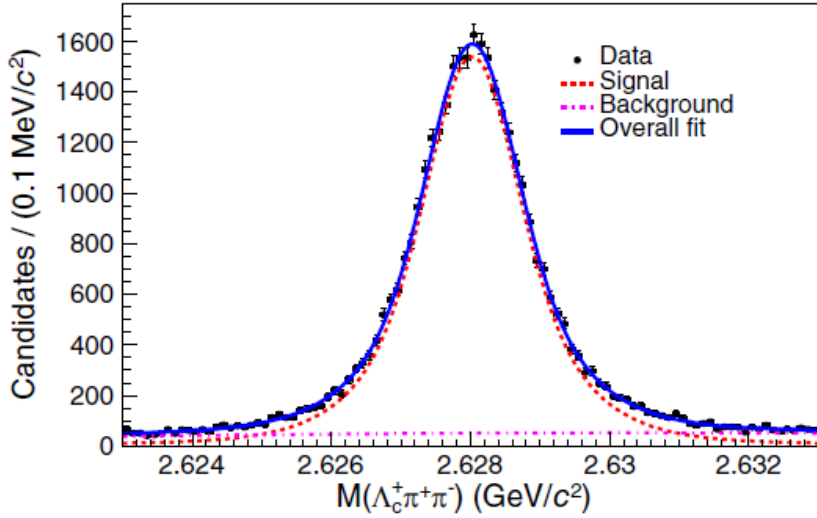
$J^P = 3/2^- \rightarrow$  both P and D-wave decay

$\Lambda_c^+$	$1/2^+$	****
$\Lambda_c(2595)^+$	$1/2^-$	***
$\Lambda_c(2625)^+$	$3/2^-$	***
$\Lambda_c(2765)^+$		*
$\Lambda_c(2860)^+$	$3/2^+$	***
$\Lambda_c(2880)^+$	$5/2^+$	***
$\Lambda_c(2940)^+$	$3/2^-$	***
$\Sigma_c(2455)$	$1/2^+$	****
$\Sigma_c(2520)$	$3/2^+$	***
$\Sigma_c(2800)$		***



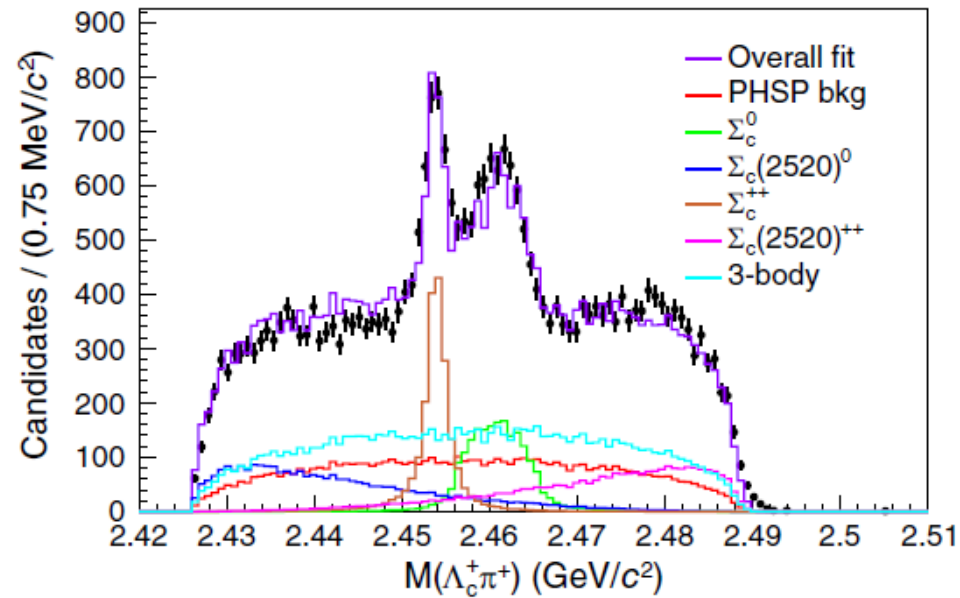
# Measurement of $\Lambda_c(2625)^+ \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \pi^+ \pi^- / \Sigma_c \pi$

All data sample,  $980 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



Measurement of mass and width

Measurement of branching fractions,  $\Lambda_c(2625)^+ \rightarrow \Sigma_c^{+,0} \pi^\pm / \Lambda_c^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$  by full Dalitz plot fit (AmpTool)





# Measurement results of $\Lambda_c (2625)^+$

- Mass difference

$$\Lambda_c (2625)^+ - \Lambda_c^+ = 341.518 \pm 0.006 \pm 0.049 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

(World average :  $341.65 \pm 0.13 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ )

- Width

$$\Gamma < 0.52 \text{ MeV}$$

(World average :  $0.97 \text{ MeV}$ )      **Much precise**

- Branching fraction ratios

$$\frac{B(\Lambda_c (2625)^+ \rightarrow \Sigma_c^0 \pi^-)}{B(\Lambda_c (2625)^+ \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \pi^+ \pi^-)} = (5.19 \pm 0.23 \pm 0.40)\%$$

$$\frac{B(\Lambda_c (2625)^+ \rightarrow \Sigma_c^{++} \pi^-)}{B(\Lambda_c (2625)^+ \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \pi^+ \pi^-)} = (5.13 \pm 0.26 \pm 0.32)\%$$

World average :  $< 5\%$

# Summary



- Belle & Belle II are actively working on hadron physics.
- $\Xi^*$  resonances
  - Observe  $\Xi(1620)^0$  and  $\Xi(1690)^0$  resonances in  $\Xi_c^+ \rightarrow \Xi^- \pi^+ \pi^+$
  - Finding structure at 1620 is asymmetric shape.
  - There is another possibility for this structure, threshold cusp.
- Studies of threshold cusp
  - Peak in  $pK^-$  of  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^- \pi^+$   $\rightarrow$  the  $\eta\Lambda$  threshold cusp
  - Signal in  $M(\Lambda\pi^\pm)$  in  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$   $\rightarrow$  the  $\bar{K}N$  threshold cusp or  $\Sigma$  resonance?
- $\Lambda_c(2625)^+$ 
  - Precise measurement of mass and width, and first measurement of branching ratios
  - These measurements can be used as inputs to theoretical models to understand  $\Lambda_c(2625)^+$
- Belle & Belle II will discover more hadrons, and measure observables of hadrons.