

# Recent progress on charmed baryon at BESIII

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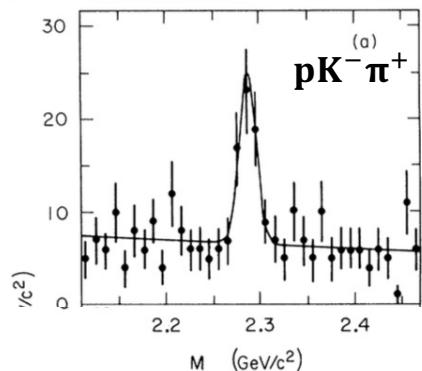
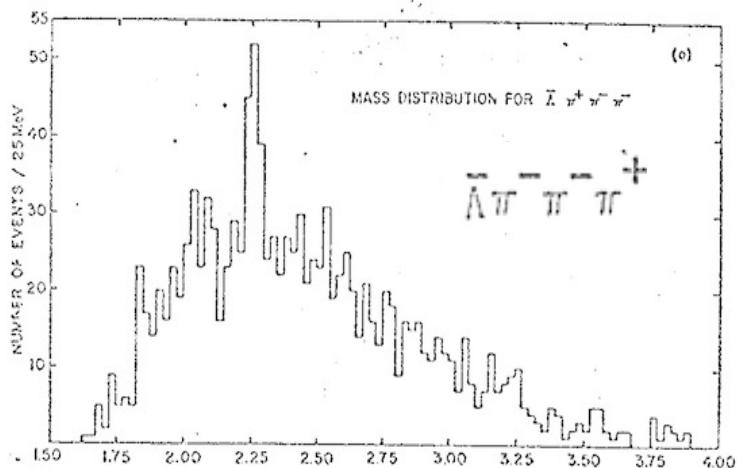
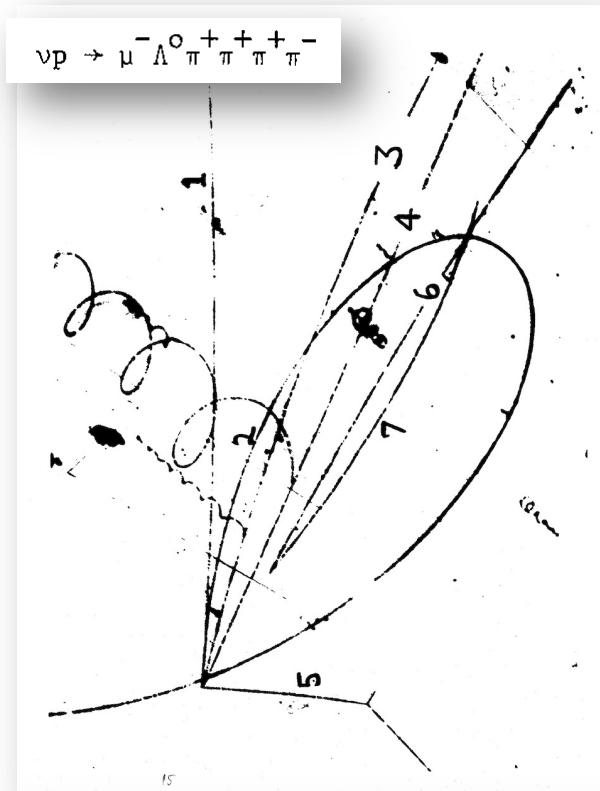


# Outline

- Introduction to the charmed baryons
- BESIII progress in studying the  $\Lambda_c^+$
- Future plan
- Summary

# Discovery of the charmed heavy baryon

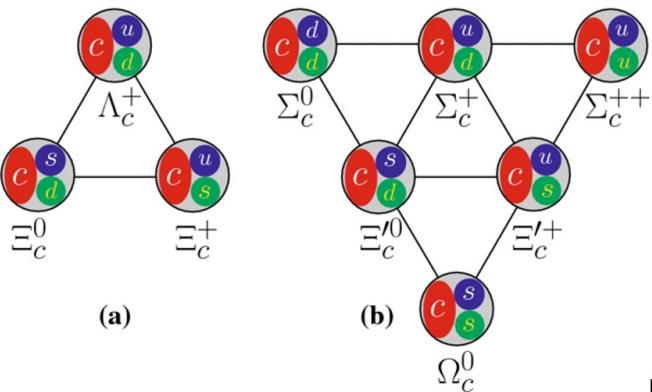
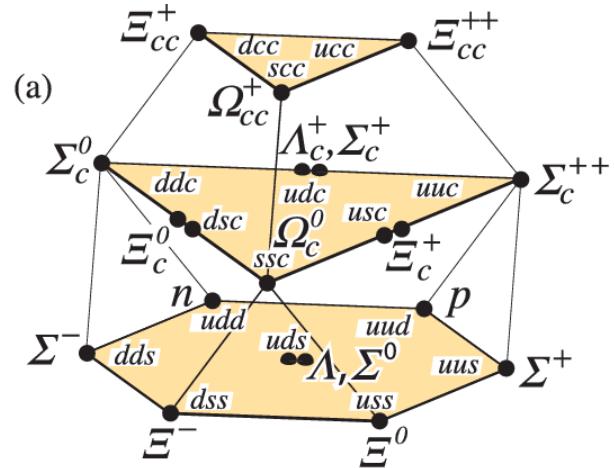
- Not exclusively clear about the first observation
- A number of experiments which published evidence for the charmed baryons beginning in 1975
  - ✓ First hint of charmed baryon  $\Sigma_c^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \pi^+$  in BNL PRL34, 1125 (1975)
  - ✓ First evidence of  $\Lambda_c^+$  at Fermi Lab PRL37, 882 (1976)
- The first well established state is the  $\Lambda_c^+$  at MarkII PRL44, 10 (1980)



# The charmed baryon family

- Singly charmed baryons
  - ✓ Established ground states:  
 $\Lambda_c^+$ ,  $\Sigma_c$ ,  $\Xi_c^{(')}$ ,  $\Omega_c$
  - ✓ Excited states are being explored
- Observation of other doubly charmed baryon  $\Xi_{cc}^{++}$
- No observations of other doubly or triply charmed baryons

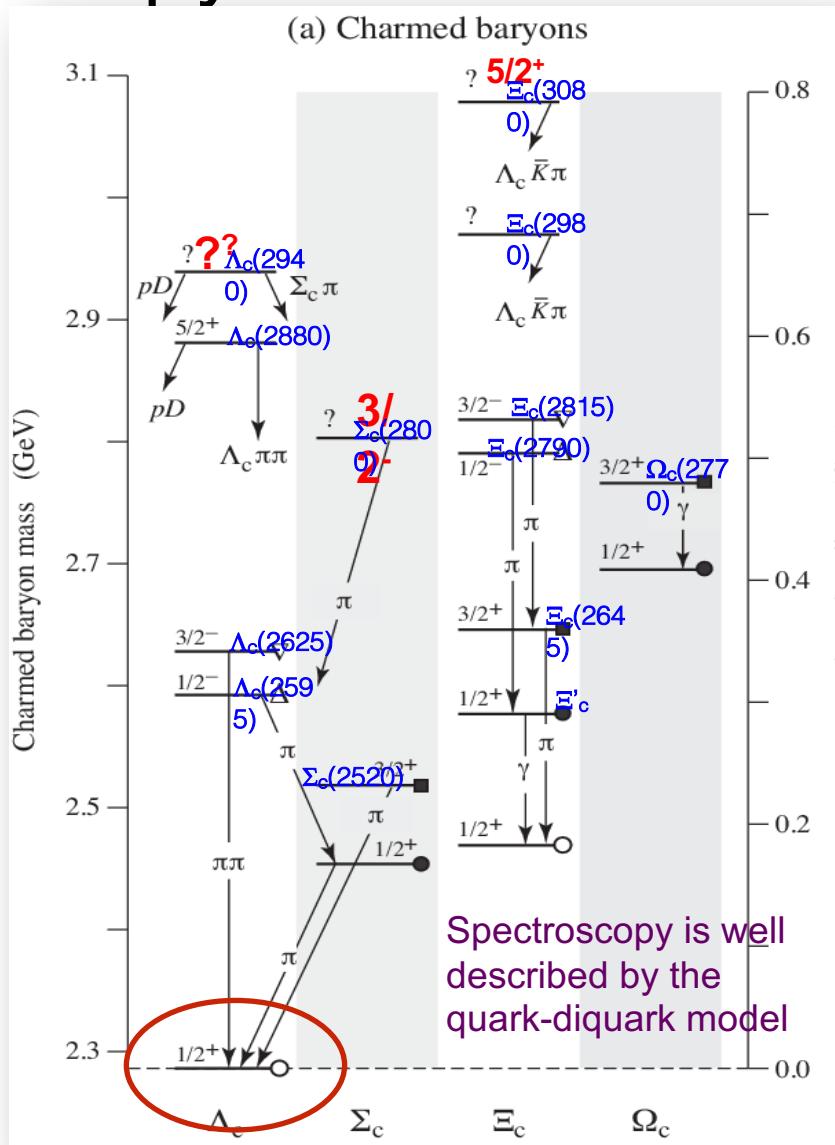
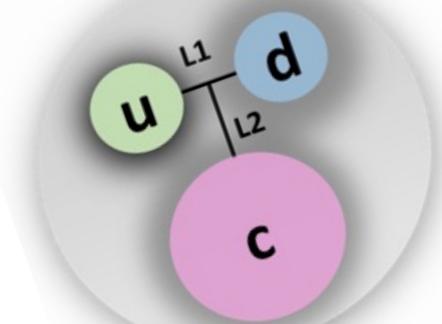
- $\Lambda_c^+$ : decay only weakly, many experimental progress since 2014
- $\Sigma_c$  :  $B(\Sigma_c \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \pi) \sim 100\%$ ;  $B(\Sigma_c \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \gamma)$ ?
- $\Xi_c$  : decay only weakly; absolute BF measured with poor precision
- $\Omega_c$  : decay only weakly; no absolute BF measured



# $\Lambda_c^+$ : cornerstone of charmed baryon spectroscopy



- The lightest charmed baryon
- Most of the charmed baryons will eventually decay to  $\Lambda_c$
- The  $\Lambda_c$  is one of important tagging hadrons in c-quark counting in the productions at high energy energies and Bottom baryon decays
- $B(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- \pi^+)$ : dominant error for  $V_{ub}$  via baryon decay

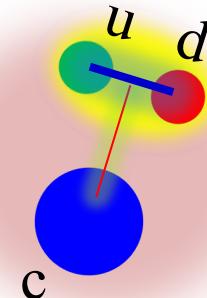
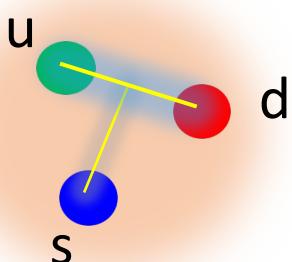
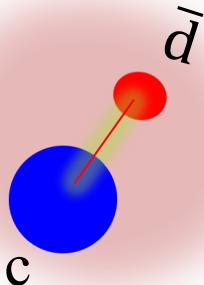




# Quark model picture

a heavy quark ( $c$ ) with an unexcited spin-zero diquark ( $u-d$ )

→ *diquark correlation is enhanced by weak Color Magnetic Interaction with a heavy quark.*



→ Charmed meson ( $D^+ [c\bar{d}]$ )  
 $m_d \ll m_c \rightarrow$  **quark + heavy quark**  
**(q)**                   **(Q)**

→ Strange baryons ( $\Lambda [uds]$ )  
 $m_u, m_d \approx m_s \rightarrow$  **(qqq)** uniform

→ Charmed baryon ( $\Lambda_c [udc]$ )  
 $m_u, m_d \ll m_c \rightarrow$  **diquark + quark**  
**(qq)**                   **(Q)**

In some sense, more reliable prediction of heavy-light quark transition without dealing with light degrees of freedom that have net spin or isospin.

$\Lambda_c^+$  may provide complementary powerful test on internal dynamics to D/Ds does



# Experimental studies on $\Lambda_c^+$ until 2014

Before 2014, the  $c$ -ed baryons have been produced and studied at many experiments, notably fixed-target experiments (such as FOCUS and SELEX) and  $e^+e^-$  B-factories (ARGUS, CLEO, BABAR, and BELLE).

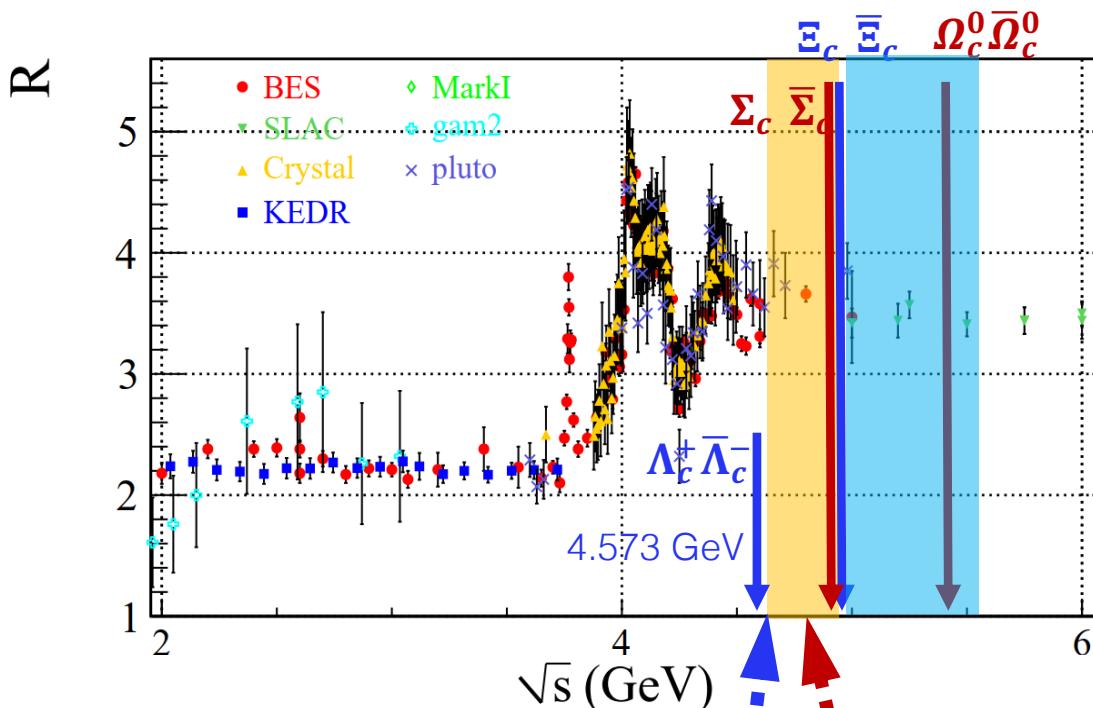
- ✓ Total branching fraction  $\sim 60\%$
- ✓ Lots of unknown decay channels
- ✓ Quite large uncertainties ( $> 20\%$ )
- ✓ Most BFs are measured relative to  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+$

Large uncertainties in experiment  
→ slow development in theory

## $\Lambda_c^+$ data in PDG2015

$\Lambda_c^+$ DECAY MODES	Fraction ( $\Gamma_i/\Gamma$ )	Scale factor/ Confidence level	$p$ (MeV/c)
<b>Hadronic modes with a <math>p</math>: <math>S = -1</math> final states</b>			
$p\bar{K}^0$	$(3.21 \pm 0.30)\%$		
$pK^-\pi^+$	$(6.84 \pm 0.40)\%$		
$p\bar{K}^*(892)^0$	$[q] (2.13 \pm 0.30)\%$		22.9%
$\Delta(1232)^{++}K^-$	$(1.18 \pm 0.27)\%$		25.0%
$\Lambda(1520)\pi^+$	$[q] (2.4 \pm 0.6)\%$		10.5%
$pK^-\pi^+$ nonresonant	$(3.8 \pm 0.4)\%$		13.3%
$p\bar{K}^0\pi^0$	$(4.5 \pm 0.6)\%$		23.5%
$p\bar{K}^0\eta$	$(1.7 \pm 0.4)\%$		11.4%
$p\bar{K}^0\pi^+\pi^-$	$(3.5 \pm 0.4)\%$		13.0%
$pK^-\pi^+\pi^0$	$(4.6 \pm 0.8)\%$		33.3%
$pK^*(892)^-\pi^+$	$[q] (1.5 \pm 0.5)\%$		18.0%
$p(K^-\pi^+)_{\text{nonresonant}}\pi^0$	$(5.0 \pm 0.9)\%$		seen
$\Delta(1232)\bar{K}^*(892)$			
$pK^-\pi^+\pi^+\pi^-$	$(1.5 \pm 1.0) \times 10^{-3}$		66.7%
$pK^-\pi^+\pi^0\pi^0$	$(1.1 \pm 0.5)\%$		45.4%
<b>Hadronic modes with a <math>p</math>: <math>S = 0</math> final states</b>			
$p\pi^+\pi^-$	$(4.7 \pm 2.5) \times 10^{-3}$		45.4%
$p f_0(980)$	$[q] (3.8 \pm 2.5) \times 10^{-3}$		53.2%
$p\pi^+\pi^+\pi^-\pi^-$	$(2.5 \pm 1.6) \times 10^{-3}$		64.0%
$pK^+K^-$	$(1.1 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-3}$		36.4%
$p\phi$	$[q] (1.12 \pm 0.23) \times 10^{-3}$		
$pK^+K^-$ non- $\phi$	$(4.8 \pm 1.9) \times 10^{-4}$		
<b>Hadronic modes with a hyperon: <math>S = -1</math> final states</b>			
$\Lambda\pi^+$	$(1.46 \pm 0.13)\%$		8.9%
$\Lambda\pi^+\pi^0$	$(5.0 \pm 1.3)\%$		26.0%
$\Lambda\rho^+$	$< 6\%$	CL=95%	
$\Lambda\pi^+\pi^+\pi^-$	$(3.59 \pm 0.28)\%$		7.8%
$\Sigma(1385)^+\pi^+\pi^-, \Sigma^{*+} \rightarrow$	$(1.0 \pm 0.5)\%$		20.0%
$\Lambda\pi^+$			
$\Sigma(1385)^-\pi^+\pi^+, \Sigma^{*-} \rightarrow$	$(7.5 \pm 1.4) \times 10^{-3}$		18.7%
$\Lambda\pi^-$			

# Charmed baryon thresholds



BESIII energy upgrades:

4.6 GeV (Phase I, 2014)

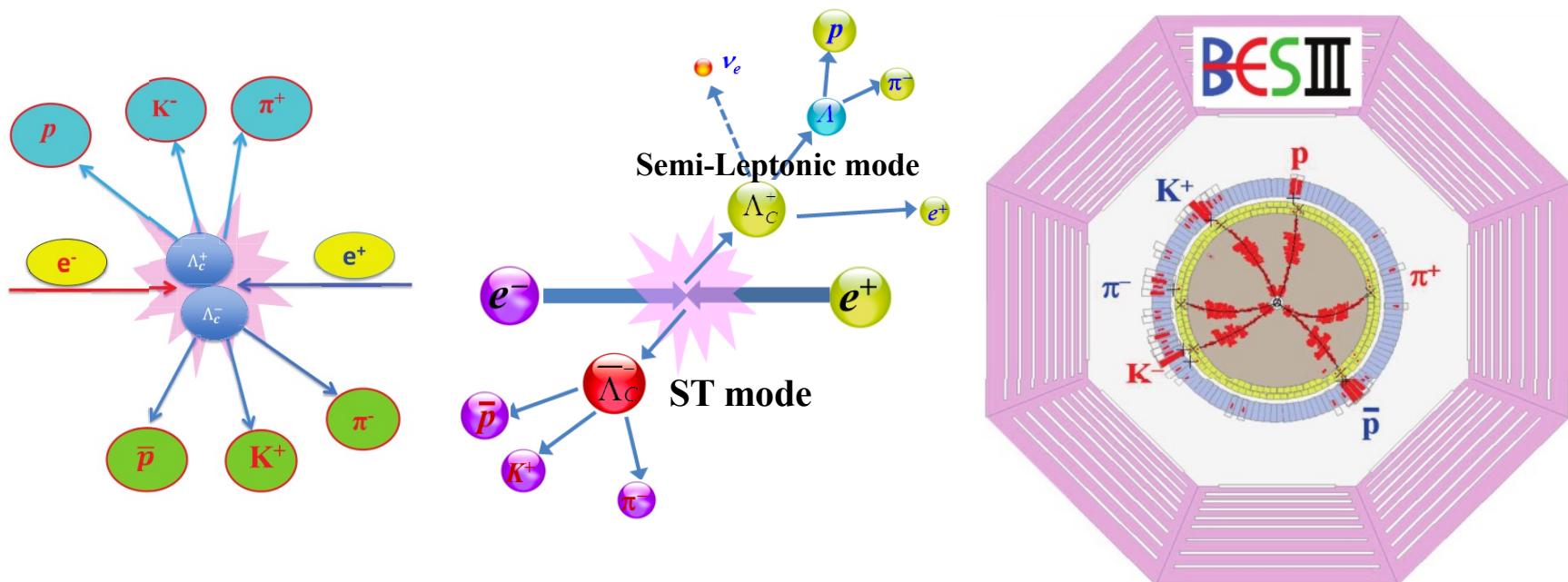
→ 4.95 GeV (Phase II, 2021)

→ 5.6 GeV (Phase III, planned in 2024)

# Single Tag (ST) and Double Tag (DT) method at Threshold



The absolute BF can be obtained by the ratio of DT yields to ST yields.



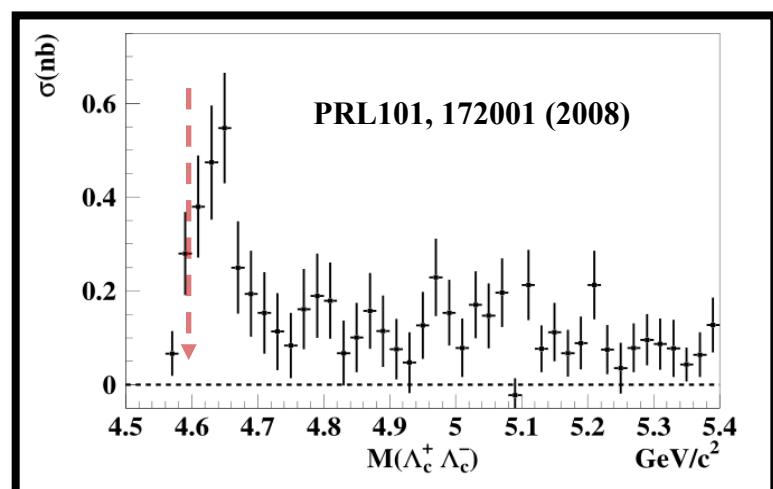
- High efficiency and clean background
- Absolute measurement with many systematics cancel out
- Missing-mass technique:  $K_L$ /neutron, neutrino, ...
- Good photon resolution:  $\Sigma$ ,  $\Xi$ ,  $\pi^0$ , ...

$$\mathcal{B}_i = \frac{N_{ij}^{\text{DT}}}{N_j^{\text{ST}}} \frac{\varepsilon_j}{\varepsilon_{ij}}$$



In 2014, BESIII took (only!) 35 days to run at 4.6GeV and collected ~500/pb data.

Energy(GeV)	lum.(1/pb)
4.575	47.67
4.580	8.54
4.590	8.16
4.600	566.93

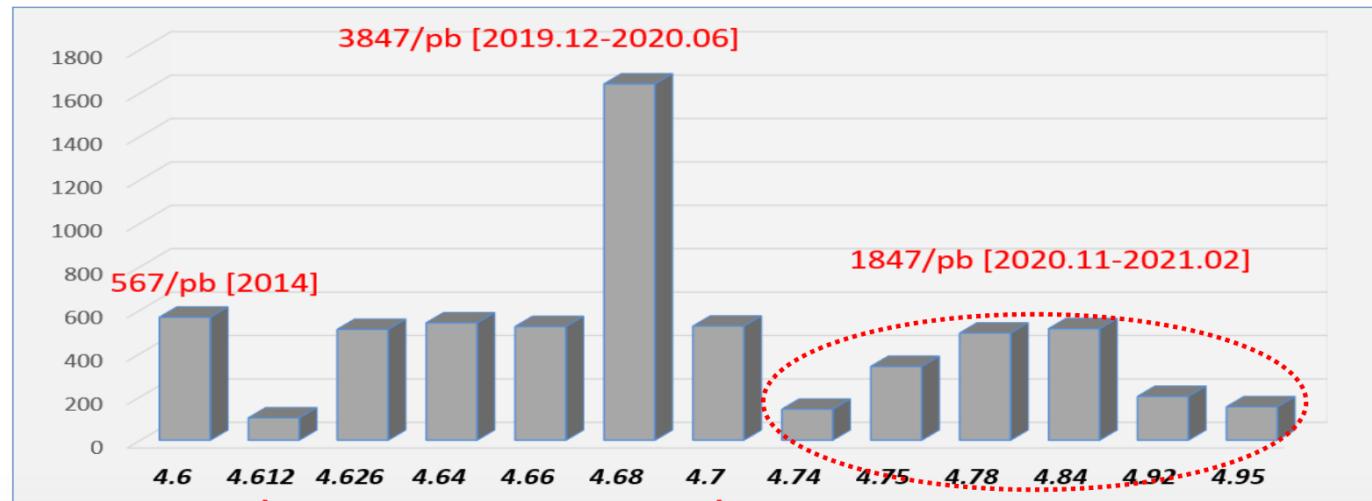


Corresponds to 0.1M  $\Lambda_c$  pairs

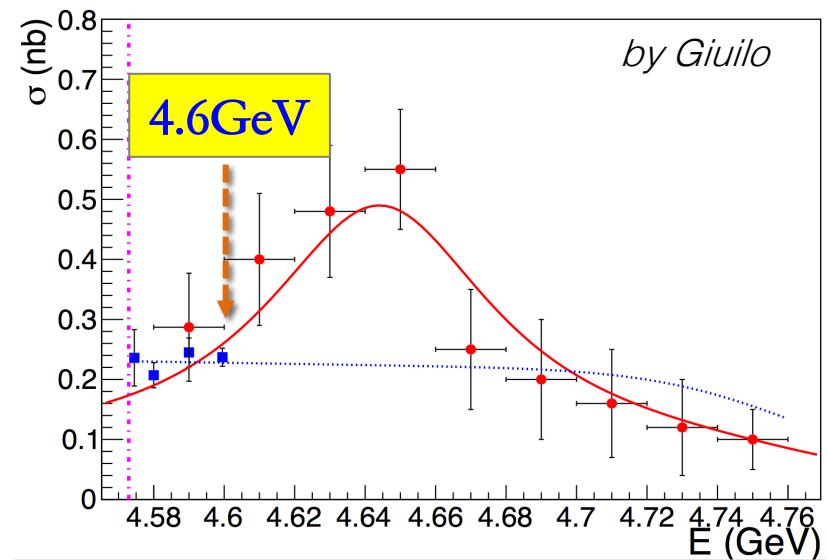
Measurement using the threshold pair-productions via  $e^+e^-$  annihilations is unique: *the most simple and straightforward*

**First time to systematically study charmed baryon at threshold!**

# More $\Lambda_c^+$ data at BESIII



in total, 6.4 fb<sup>-1</sup> data above  $\Lambda_c^+$  threshold (~8x times more  $\Lambda_c^+$  statistics)





Published 17 papers

- A series of precise absolute BF measurements: hadronic, semi-leptonic and inclusive decays
- Observation of decays into neutron  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow n K_s \pi^+$ ,  $\Sigma^- \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^0$
- Threshold cross section and form factors of  $\Lambda_c^+$  pairs
- Observation of Cabibbo-suppressed decay  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p \pi^+ \pi^-$
- First evidence of Cabibbo-suppressed decay  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p \eta$
- First measurements of many decay asymmetries
- Determination of  $\Lambda_c^+$  spin

Very productive for the data set taken in 35 days!

<i>Hadronic decay</i>		<u>2014 : 0.567 fb<sup>-1</sup> at 4.6 GeV</u>
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- \pi^+ + 11$ CF modes		PRL 116, 052001 (2016)
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p K^+ K^-$ , $p \pi^+ \pi^-$		PRL 117, 232002 (2016)
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow n K s \pi^+$		PRL 118, 12001 (2017)
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p \eta$ , $p \pi^0$		PRD 95, 111102(R) (2017)
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^- \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^0$		PLB 772, 388 (2017)
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Xi^{0(*)} K^+$		PLB 783, 200 (2018)
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda \eta \pi^+$		PRD 99, 032010 (2019)
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^+ \eta$ , $\Sigma^+ \eta'$		CPC 43, 083002 (2019)
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow$ BP decay asymmetries		PRD 100, 072004 (2019)
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p K_s \eta$		PLB 817, 136327 (2021)
$\Lambda_c^+$ spin determination		PRD 103, L091101(2021)
<i>Semi-leptonic decay</i>		
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda e^+ \nu_e$		PRL 115, 221805(2015)
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda \mu^+ \nu_\mu$		PLB 767, 42 (2017)
<i>Inclusive decay</i>		
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda X$		PRL 121, 062003 (2018)
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow e^+ X$		PRL 121 251801(2018)
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow K_s^0 X$		EPJC 80, 935 (2020)
<i>Production</i>		
$\Lambda_c^+ \Lambda_c^-$ cross section		PRL 120,132001(2018)



# Physics publications based on Phase II data

## Semi-leptonic decay

- ✓ Form factors of  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda e^+ \nu_e$  and  $\Lambda \mu^+ \nu_\mu$
  - ✓  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- e^+ \nu_e$
  - ✓ Search for  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ \nu_e$  and  $p K_s \pi^- e^+ \nu_e$
  - ✓  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow n e^+ \nu_e$
- PRL129, 231803 (2022); PRD108, L031105 (2023)**  
**PRD106, 112010 (2022)**  
**PLB843, 137993 (2023)**  
**arXiv:2410.13515**

## Neutron-involved decay

- ✓  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow n \pi^+$
  - ✓  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow n \pi^+ \pi^0, n \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$ ,  $n K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$
  - ✓  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow n K_s K^+$
  - ✓  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^- K^+ \pi^+$
  - ✓  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow n K_s \pi^+ \pi^0$
- PRL 128, 142001 (2022)**  
**CPC 47, 023001 (2023) (Cover Story)**  
**PRD 109, 072010 (2024)**  
**PRD 109, L071103 (2024)**  
**PRD 109, 053005 (2024)**

## Hadronic CS decays

- ✓  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p \pi^0, p \eta, p \omega$
  - ✓  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p \eta'$
  - ✓  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda K^+, \Lambda K^+ \pi^0, \Lambda K_s \pi^+$
  - ✓  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^+ K_s, \Sigma^0 K^+$
  - ✓  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^+ K^+ \pi^-$
- JHEP11, 137 (2023); PRD09, L091101 (2024); arXiv:2410.13368**  
**PRD106, 072002 (2022)**  
**PRD106, L111101 (2022); PRD109, 032003 (2024); arXiv:2410.16912**  
**PRD106, 052003 (2022)**  
**JHEP09, 125 (2023);**

## Hadronic CF decays

- ✓ PWA of  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^+ \pi^0$  and  $\Lambda \pi^+ \eta$
  - ✓ W-exchange-only process  $\Xi^0 K^+$
  - ✓  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Xi^0 K^+ \pi^0$
  - ✓  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p K_L, p K_L \pi^0, p K_L \pi^+ \pi^-$
- JHEP 12, 033(2022); arXiv:2407.12270**  
**PRL132, 031801 (2024)**  
**PRD109, 052001 (2024)**  
**JHEP09, 007 (2024)**

## Inclusive decay

- ✓ Improved BF of  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow e^+ X$
  - ✓ First BF of  $\bar{\Lambda}_c^- \rightarrow \bar{n} X$
- PRD107, 052005 (2023)**  
**PRD108, L031101 (2023)**

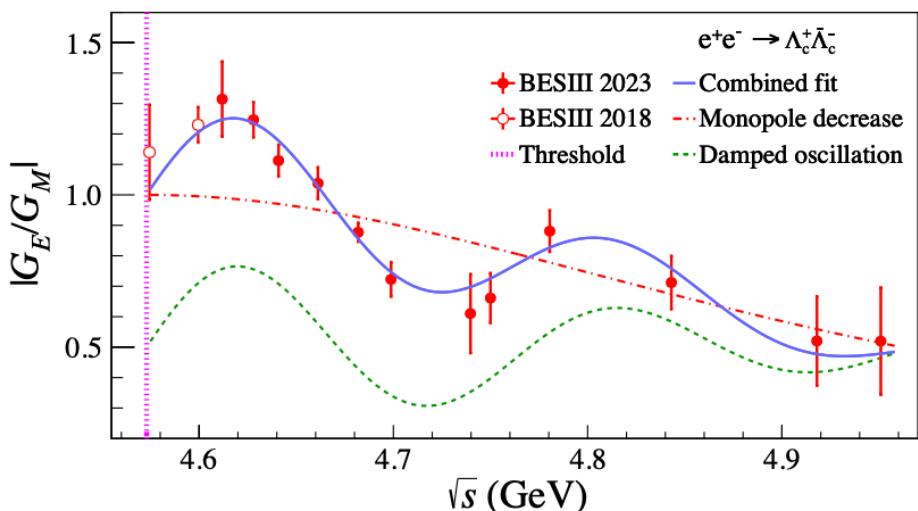
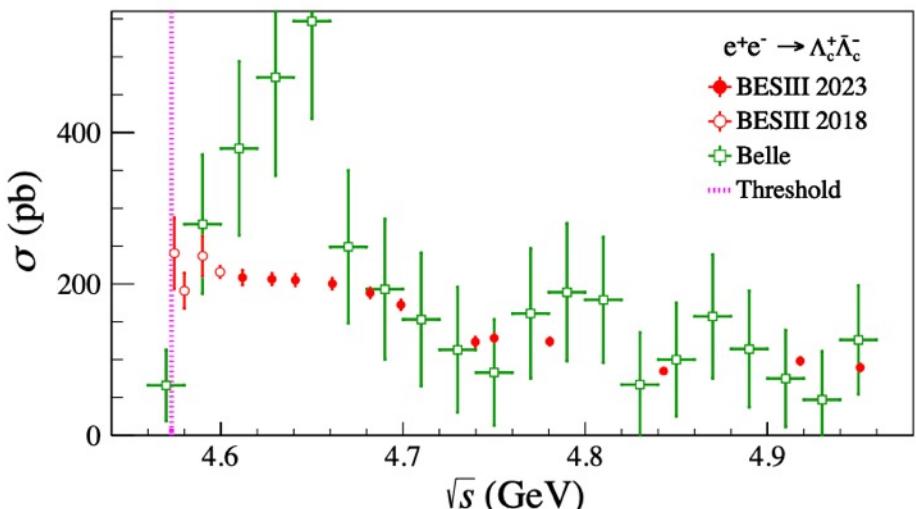
## Rare decay

- ✓  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \gamma \Sigma^+$
- PRD107, 052002 (2023)**

## Production and excited $\Lambda_c^+$

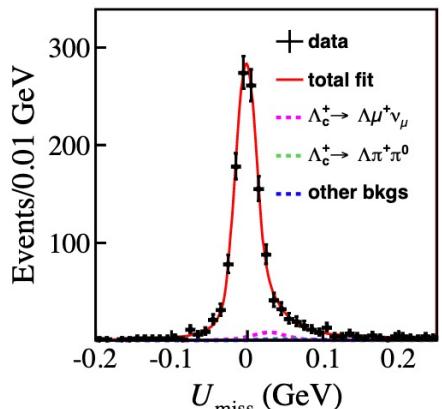
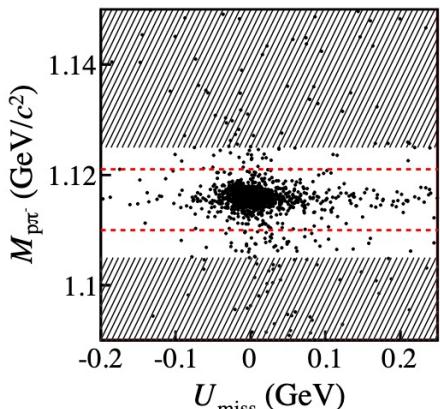
- ✓  $\Lambda_c^+ \bar{\Lambda}_c^-$  lineshape and form factor
  - ✓  $\Lambda_c (2595)^+$  and  $\Lambda_c (2625)^+$  production and decay
- PRL107, 052002 (2023)**  
**PRD 109, L071104 (2024); PRD 109, 112007 (2024)**

PRL131, 191901 (2023)

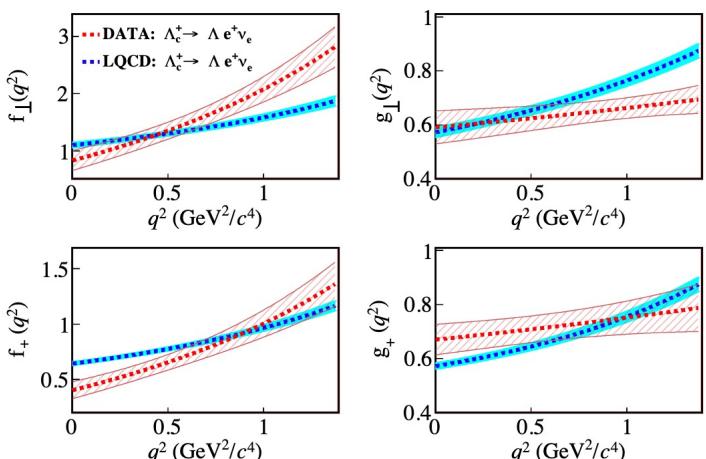


- Negate the  $Y(4630)$  in decaying into  $\Lambda_c^+\bar{\Lambda}_c^-$  reported by BELLE
- Energy-dependence of  $|G_E/G_M|$  reveals an oscillation feature, which may imply a non-trivial structure of the lightest charmed baryon.

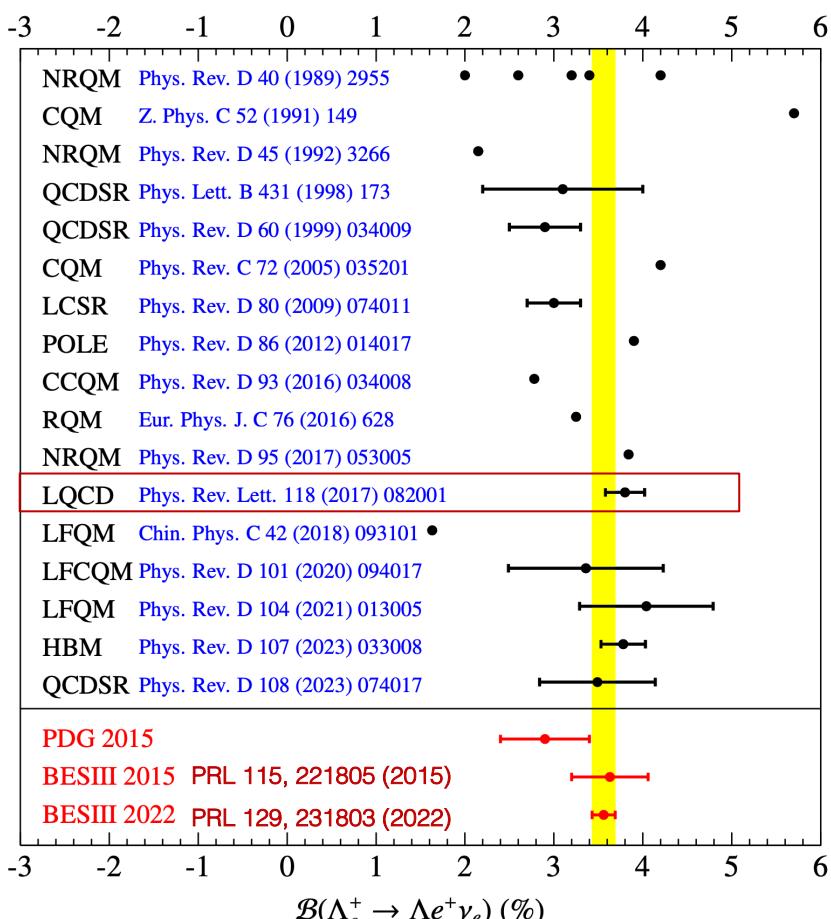
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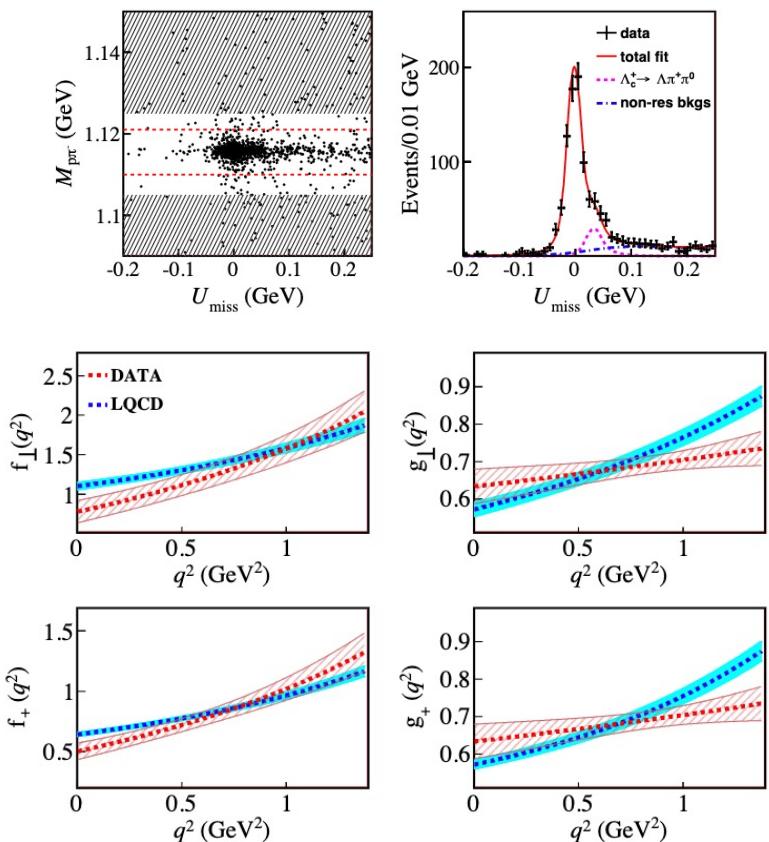


$$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda e^+ \nu_e) = (3.56 \pm 0.11 \pm 0.07)\%$$



First direct comparisons on the differential decay rates and form factors with LQCD calculations



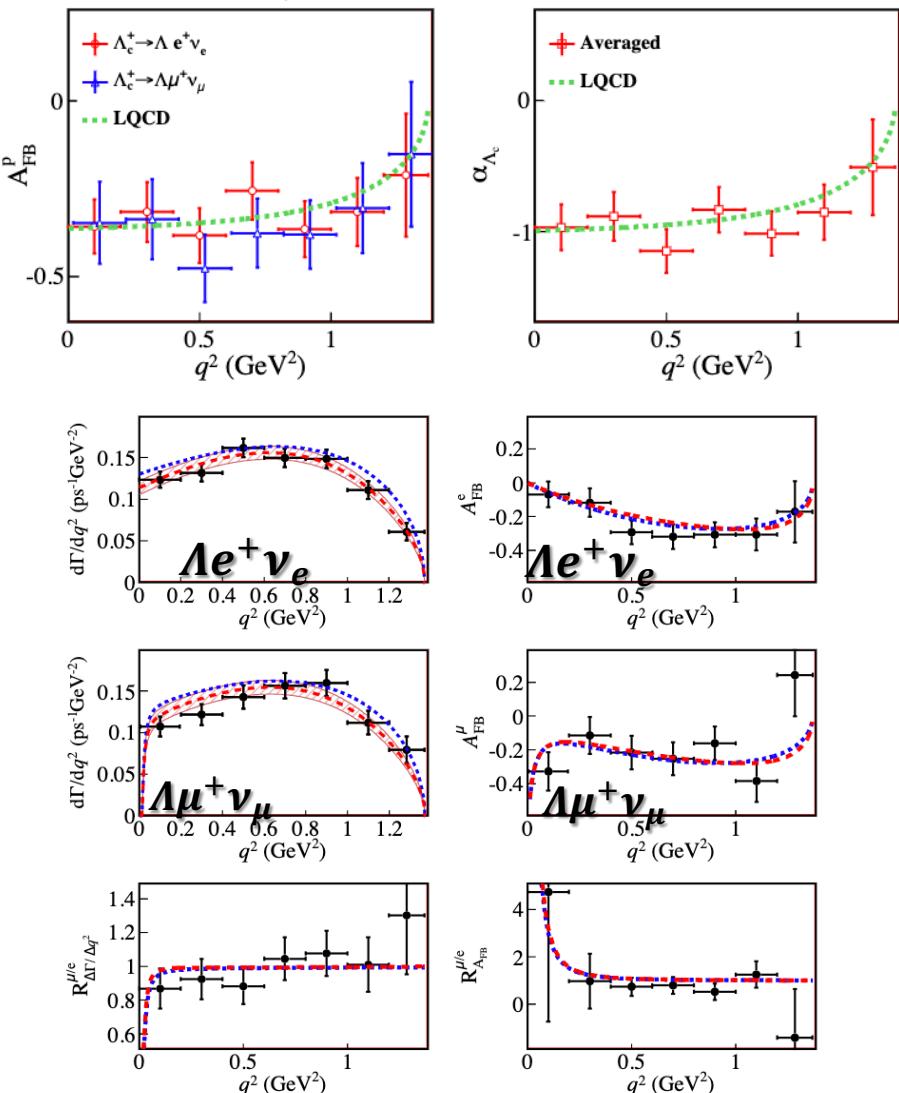


$$B(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda\mu^+\nu_\mu) = (3.48 \pm 0.14 \pm 0.10)\%$$

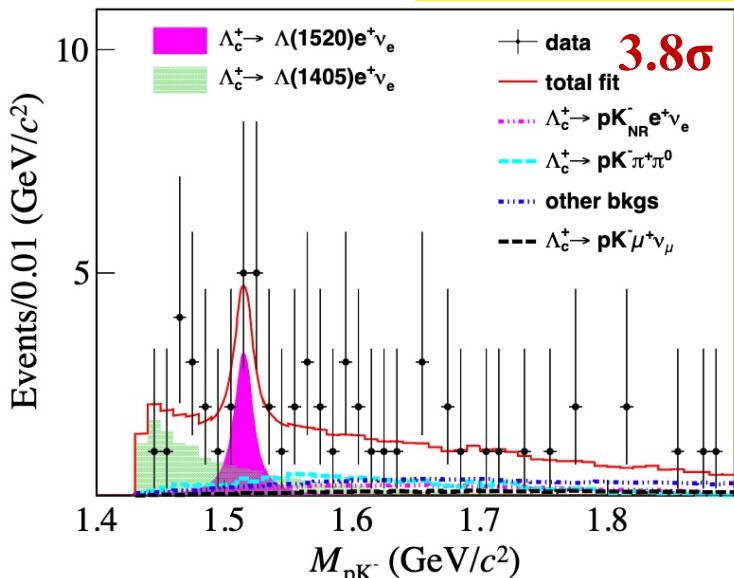
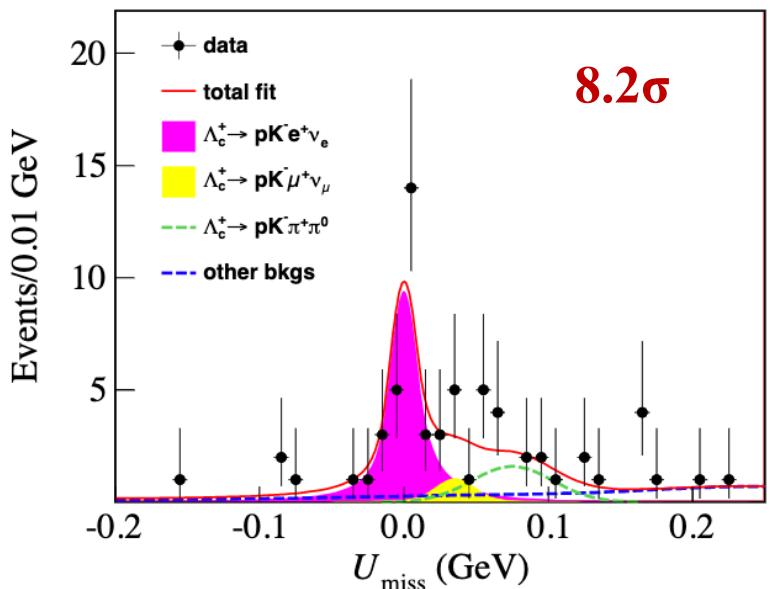
$$B(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda\mu^+\nu_\mu)/B(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda e^+\nu_e) = 0.98 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.03$$

PRD 108, L031105 (2023)

$$\langle \alpha_{\Lambda_c} \rangle = -0.94 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.03$$



PRD106, 112010 (2022)

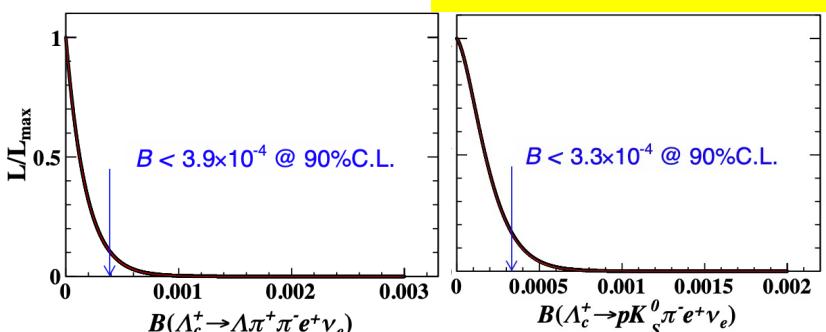


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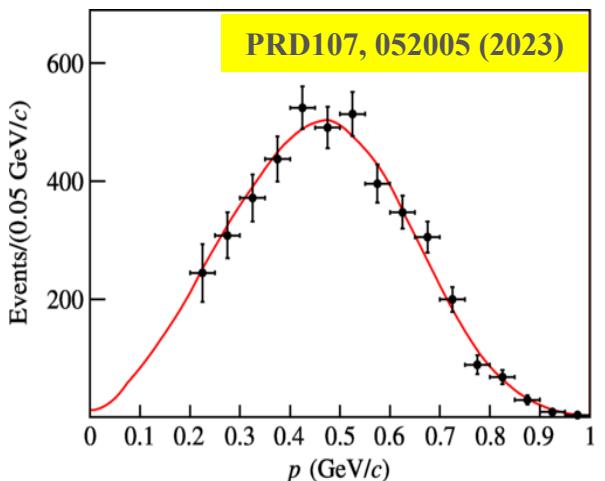
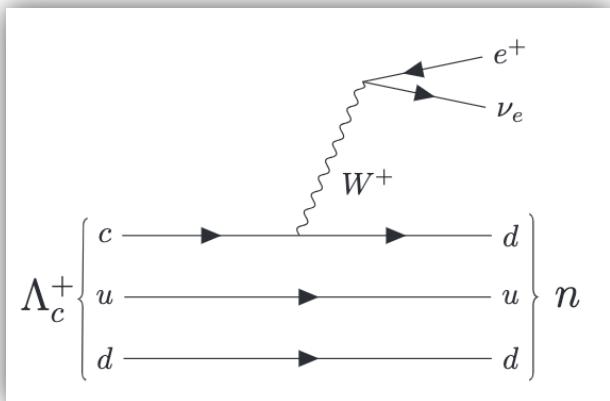
- Second leptonic decay of  $\Lambda_c^+$  is observed!
- Good channel to study  $\Lambda$  excited states, such as  $\Lambda(1405)$  and  $\Lambda(1520)$

PLB 843, 137993 (2023)



# Cabibbo-suppressed SL decays

- There is still room of 0.5% for un-seen SL decay of the  $\Lambda_c^+$
- The Cabibbo-Suppressed SL decays have not been studied in experiment
- $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow ne^+\nu_e$  is the most promising channel for the experimental observation

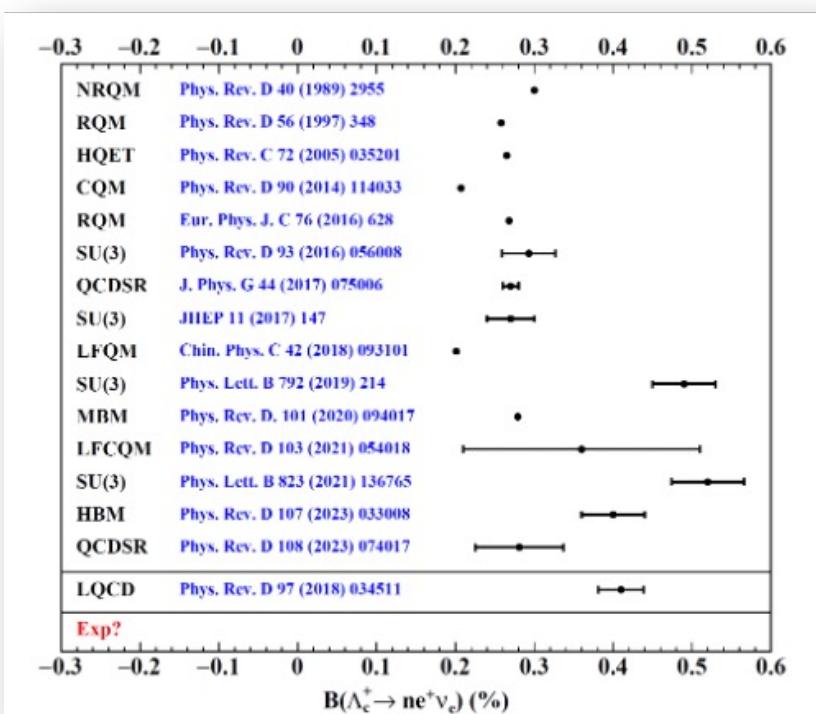


$$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow X e^+ \nu_e) = (4.06 \pm 0.10_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.09_{\text{syst}})\%.$$

$$B(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda e^+ \nu_e) = (3.56 \pm 0.11 \pm 0.07)\%$$

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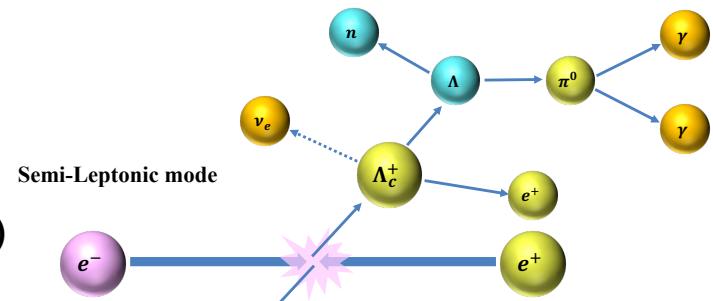
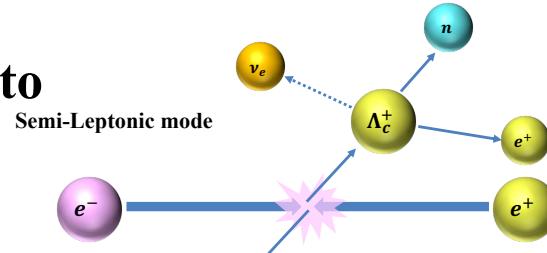


# Hunting for $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow ne^+\nu$

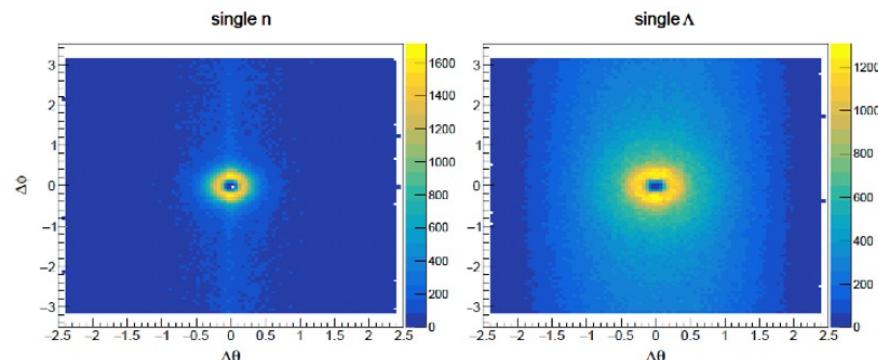
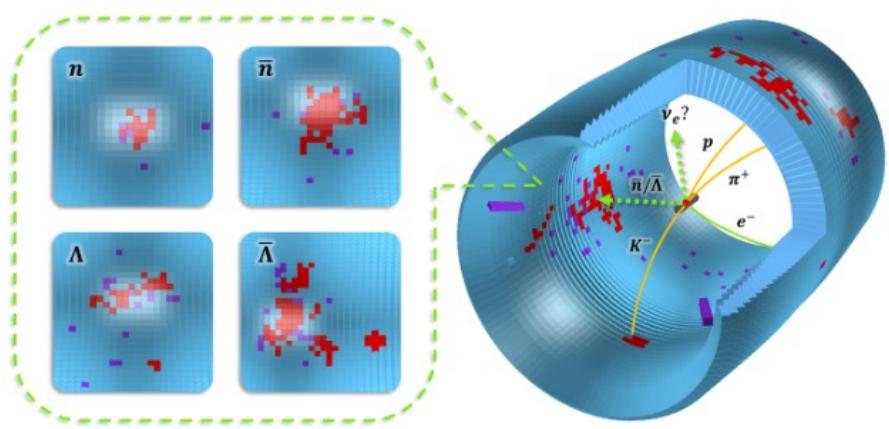
- Important process of semi-leptonic  $\Lambda_c^+$  decay to probe strong dynamics in charmed baryon

- Challenges:

- ✓ neutrino is missing in detection
- ✓ dominant backgrounds from  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda(\rightarrow n\pi^0)e^+\nu$ , with  $\sim 10x$  yields than that of the pursuing signals
- ✓ elusive neutron detection due to neutral charge and contaminations from the photon showers (& noises) in electro-magnetic calorimeter (EMC)



Need advanced Machine Learning tool to identify neutron showers in EMC

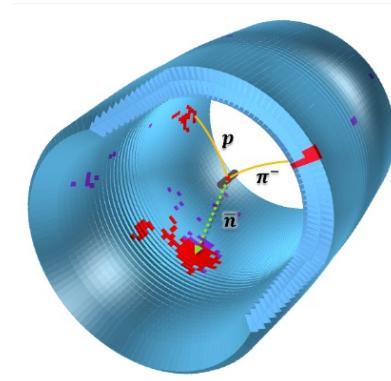
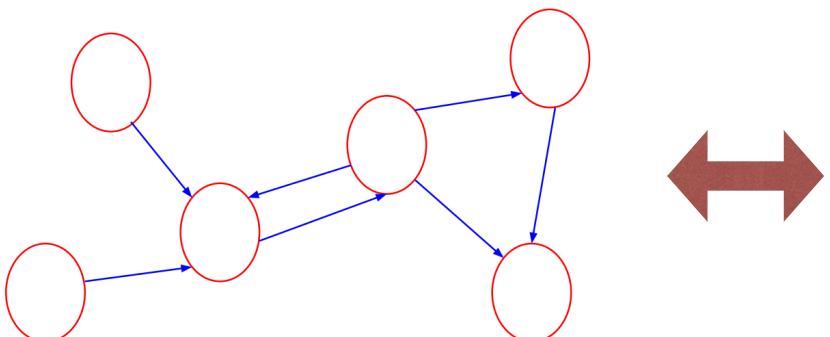


# Why Graph Neural Networks (GNN)



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- Many neural network architectures are specialized for sequential and image-like data such as RNNs, transformers and CNNs.
- GNN can model more arbitrary relations among data objects by treating them as edges between nodes in a graph.



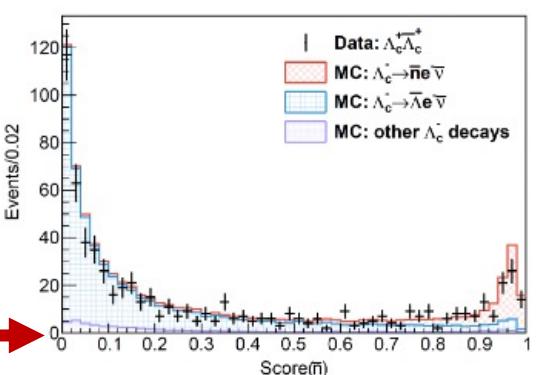
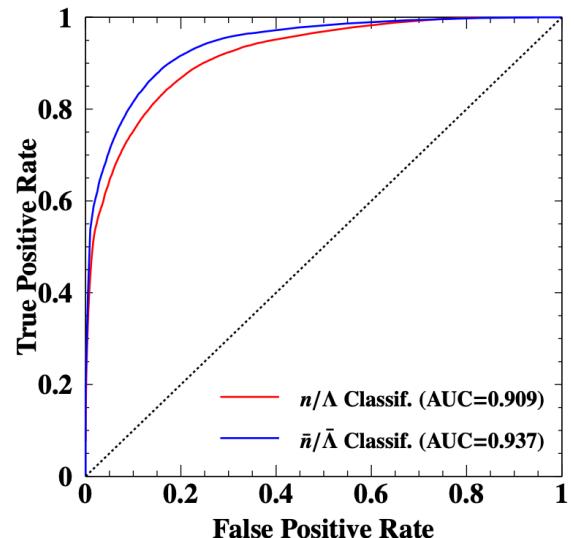
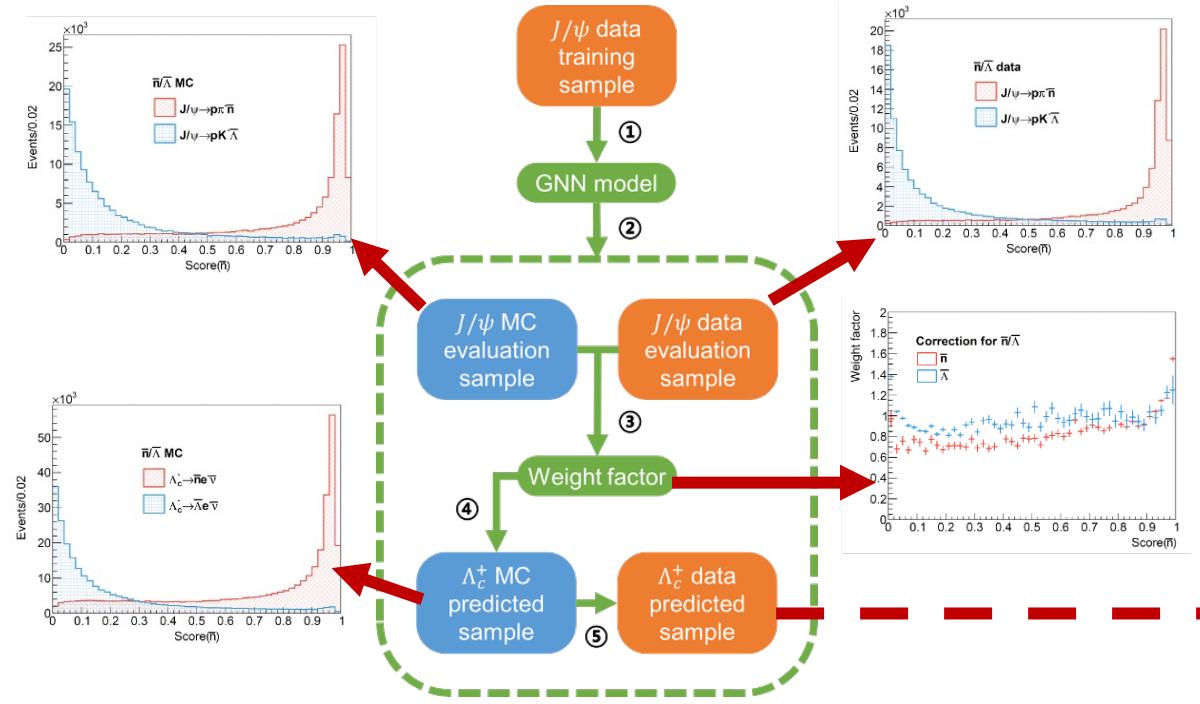
- Sharing of parameters across node and edge updates in the graph
- Permutation invariance
- Nearly unlimited labeled samples
- Structured data
- Clear training objectives

This fits well to the final state particles in physics collisions, where we deal with various objects like tracks/showers and their kinematic relations.

# Analysis strategy

- Threshold  $\Lambda_c^+$  production: clean environment and  $\Lambda_c^+$  tagging
- Train GNN with **ParticleNet** using control data from  $J/\psi \rightarrow \bar{p}n\pi^+$ ,  $\bar{p}\Lambda K^+$  and c.c. modes based on 10B  $J/\psi$  decays

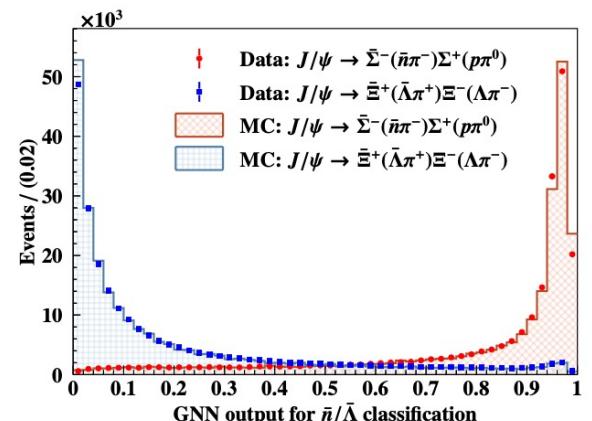
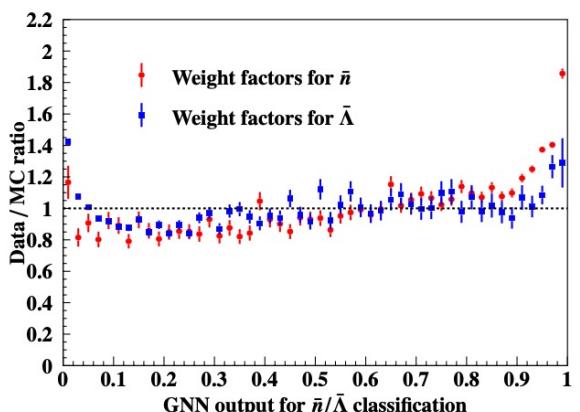
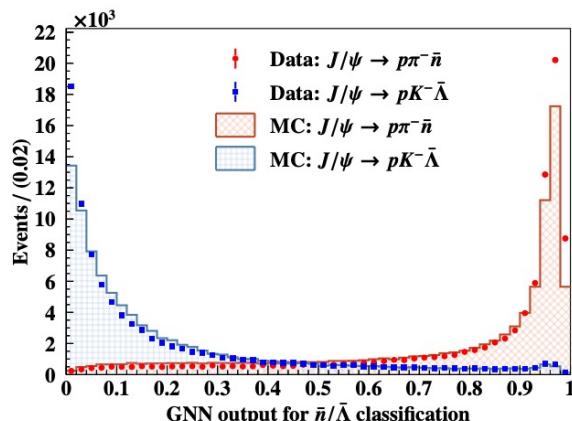
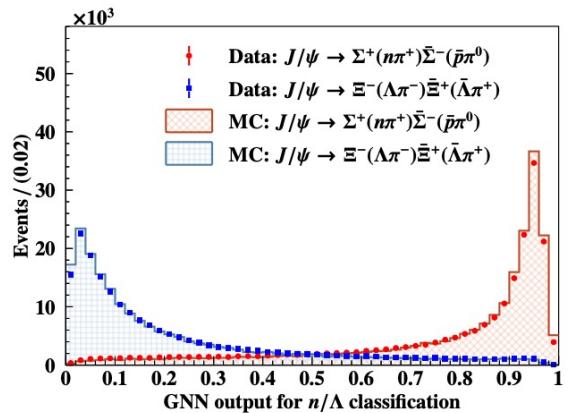
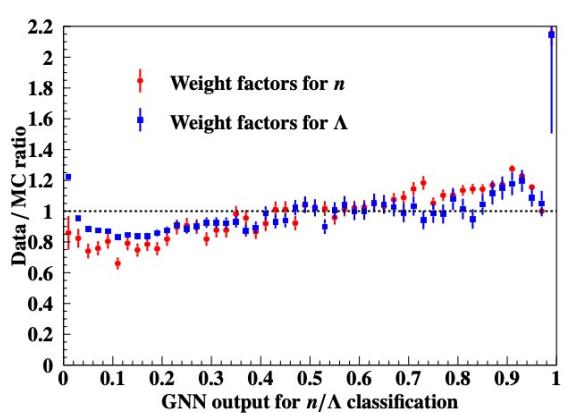
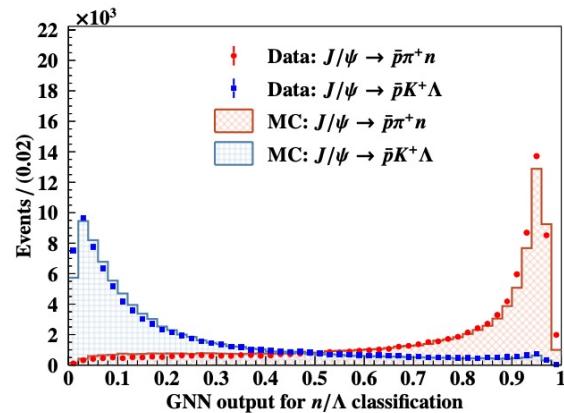
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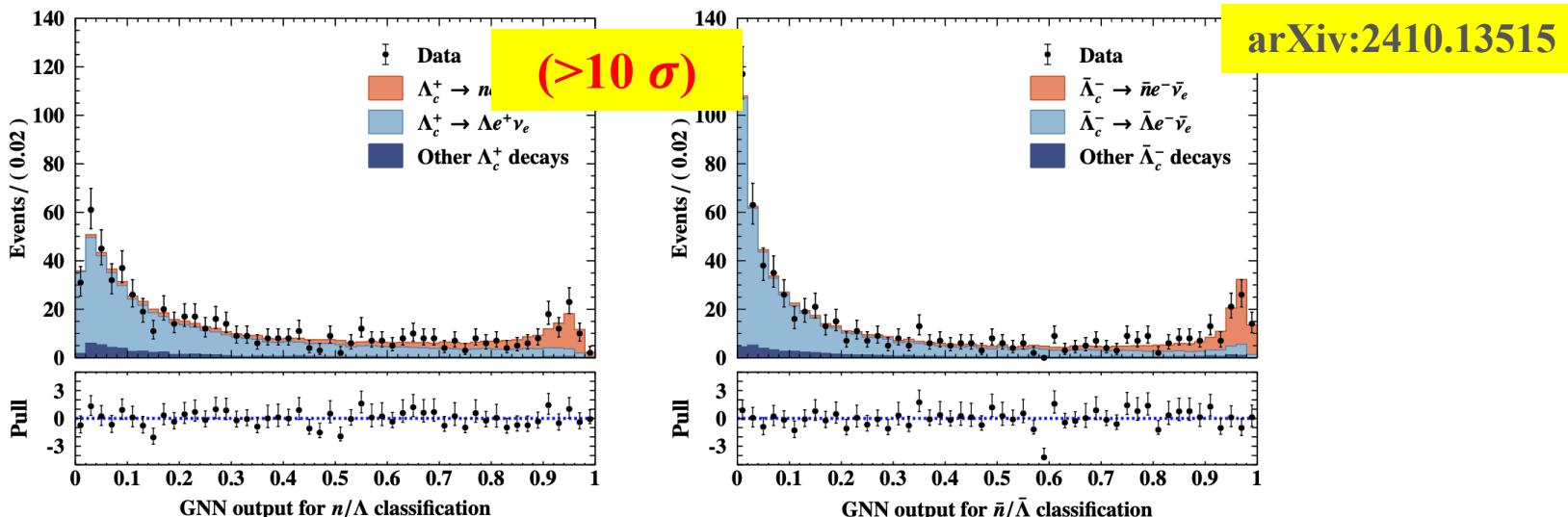
# Method validation

- Control channels of  $J/\psi \rightarrow \Sigma^+(\textcolor{blue}{n}\pi^+)\bar{\Sigma}^-(\bar{p}\pi^0)$  and  $J/\psi \rightarrow \Xi^+(\Lambda\pi^+)\bar{\Xi}^-(\bar{\Lambda}\pi^-)$  based on 10B  $J/\psi$  decays

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# Observation of $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow ne^+\nu_e$



## good control of systematics on GNN training

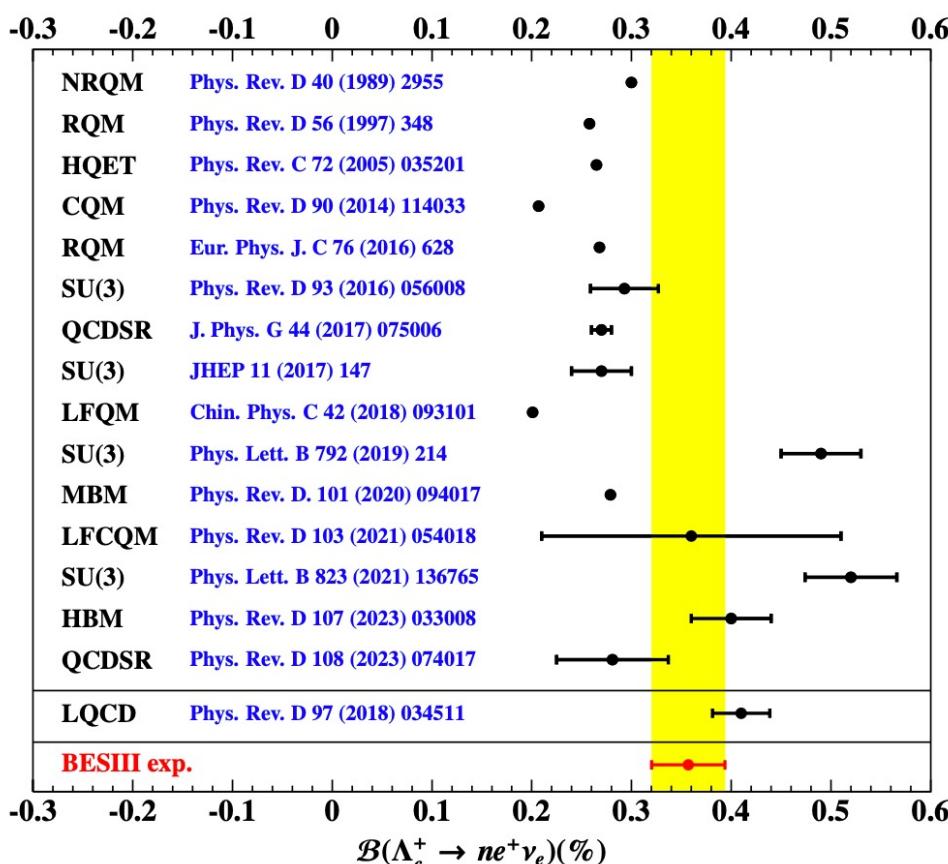
- **Model settings:** network weight initialization, batch processing sequence and dropout layer are randomly varied
- **Domain shift:** validation of independent control sample via  $J/\psi \rightarrow \Sigma^+(n\pi^+)\bar{\Sigma}^-(\bar{p}\pi^0)$  and  $J/\psi \rightarrow \Xi^-(\Lambda\pi^-)\bar{\Xi}^+(\bar{\Lambda}\pi^+)$

$$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow ne^+\nu_e) = (0.357 \pm 0.034_{\text{stat.}} \pm 0.014_{\text{syst.}})\%,$$

# Results of BF for $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow ne^+\nu_e$



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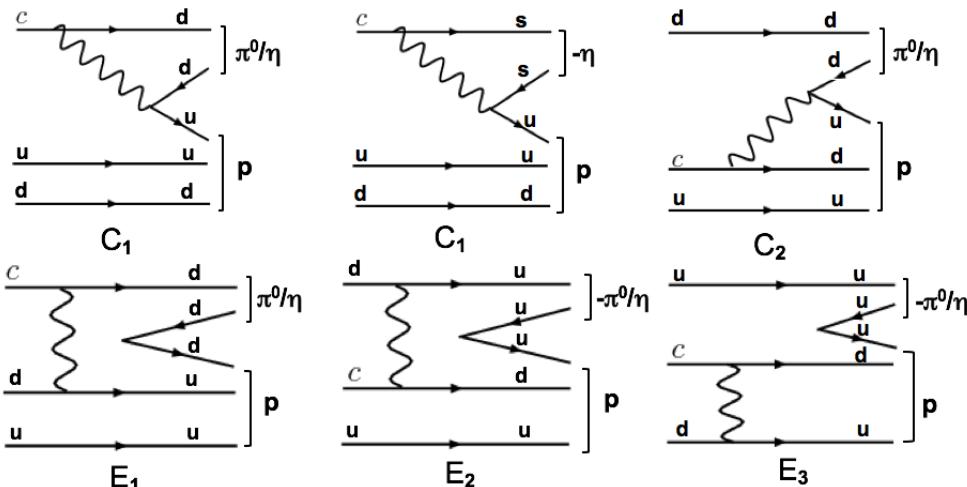
Combining with the LQCD calculation of the Form Factors, we obtain  $\Gamma(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow ne^+\nu_e) = |V_{cd}|^2 (0.405 \pm 0.016 \pm 0.020) \text{ ps}^{-1}$ ,  $|V_{cd}| = 0.208 \pm 0.011_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.005_{\text{LQCD}} \pm 0.001_{\tau_{\Lambda_c}}$   
*first determination of  $|V_{cd}|$  in charmed baryon decays*

# $\Lambda_c^+$ hadronic decay

Study of SCS channels:  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda K^+, p\pi^0, p\eta, n\pi^+, \Sigma^0 K^+, \Sigma^+ K^0$  etc.

from HY Cheng

## Singly Cabibbo-suppressed modes: $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\pi^0, p\eta$



$$\pi^0 = (d\bar{d} - u\bar{u})/\sqrt{2}, \quad \eta = (d\bar{d} + u\bar{u} - s\bar{s})/\sqrt{3} \quad \text{for } \eta - \eta' \text{ mixing angle} = 19.5^\circ$$

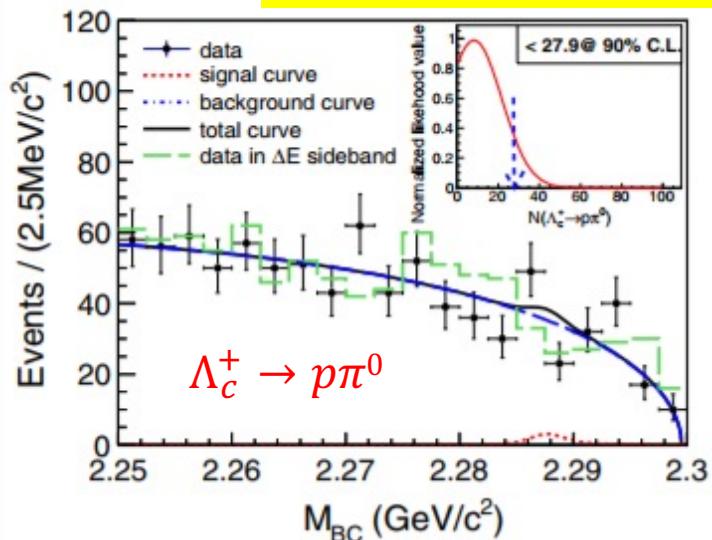
$$A(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\pi^0) = (C_1 + C_2 + E_1 - E_2 - E_3)/\sqrt{2}$$

It is most likely that

$$A(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\eta) = (2C_1 + C_2 + E_1 + E_2 + E_3)/\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Gamma(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\eta) \gg \Gamma(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\pi^0)$$

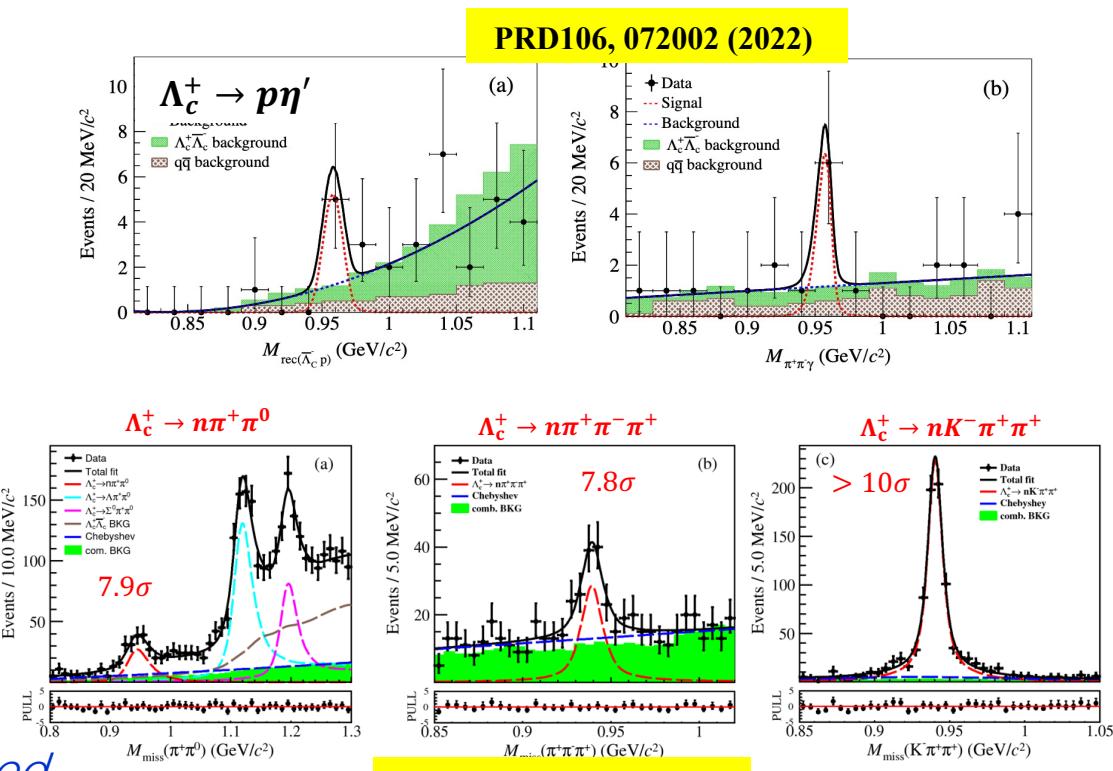
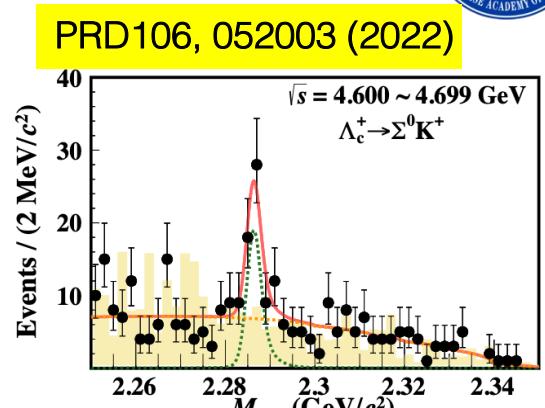
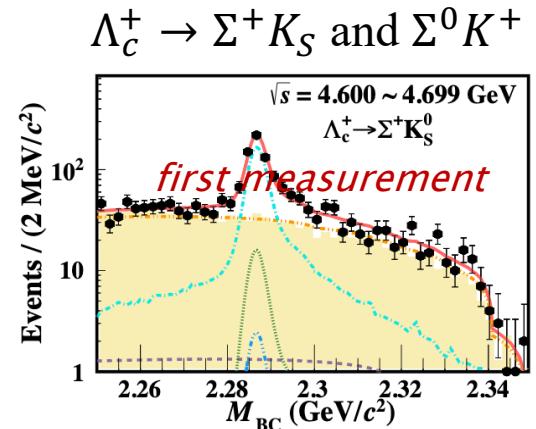
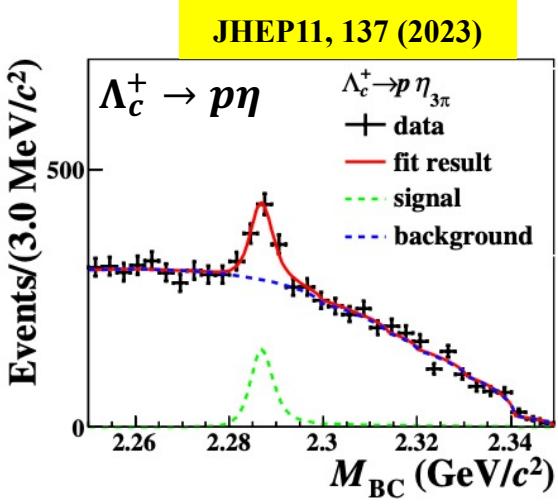
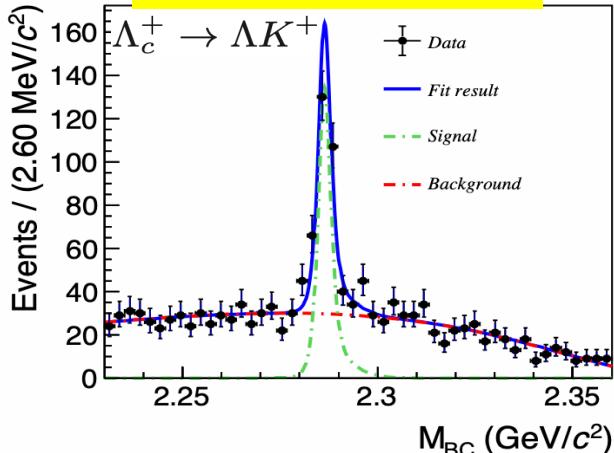
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BESIII:  $\text{BF} < 2.7 \times 10^{-4}$

$$M(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow n\pi^+) = \sqrt{2}M(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\pi^0),$$

- More precise comparison of the two BFs are desired to explore the interference of different non-factorizable diagrams and BESIII result support the theoretic prediction. It is predicted that  $\text{BF}[\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow n\pi^+] \sim 3.5 \times \text{BF}[\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\pi^0]$  [arXiv: 1801.08625]

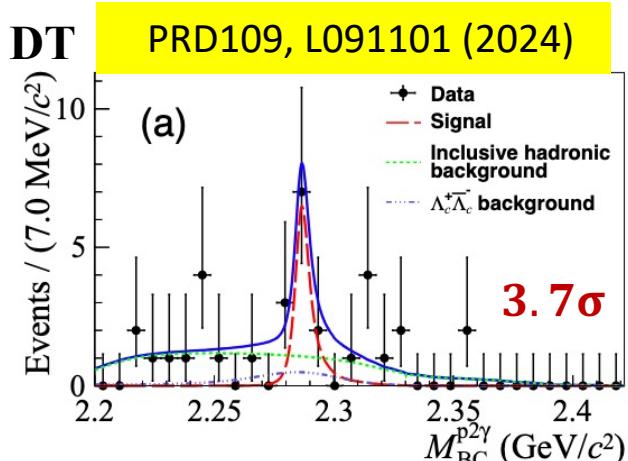


Many CS modes are being explored.

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# Singly Cabibbo-suppressed decays of $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\pi^0$ and $n\pi^+$

## First evidence of $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\pi^0$



$$BF = (1.56^{+0.72}_{-0.58} \pm 0.20) \times 10^{-4}$$

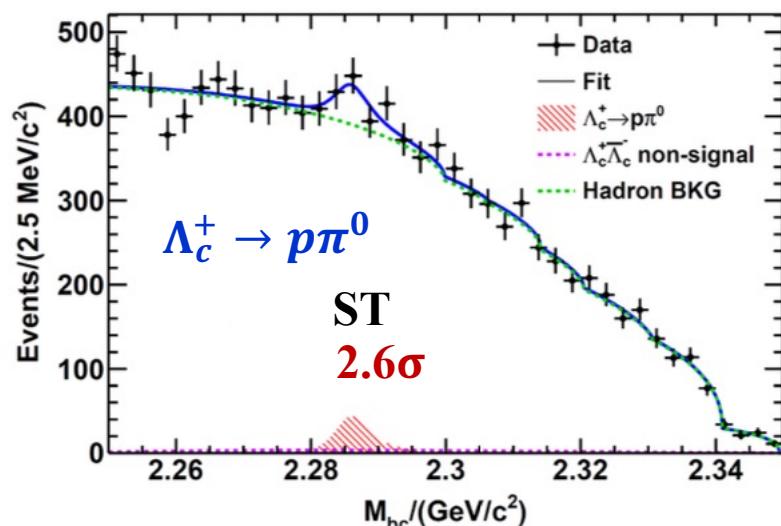
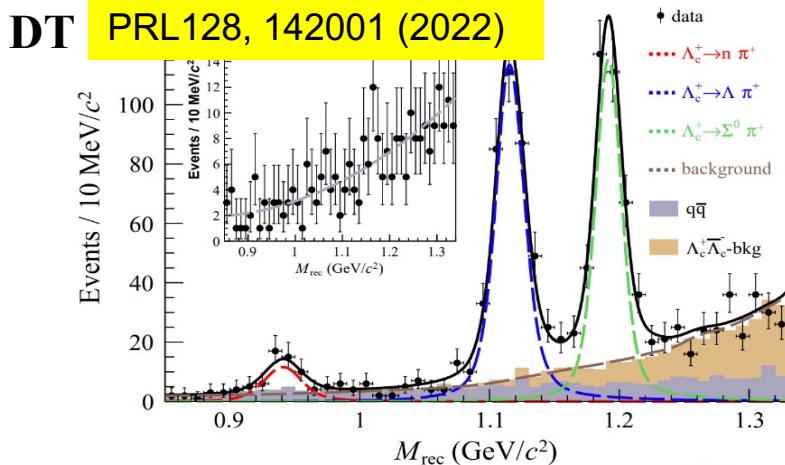
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\pi^0$ :

- conflicts with BELLE ( $BF < 8.0 \times 10^{-5}$ )
- need better precision to discriminate different theoretical calculations

Experimental challenge

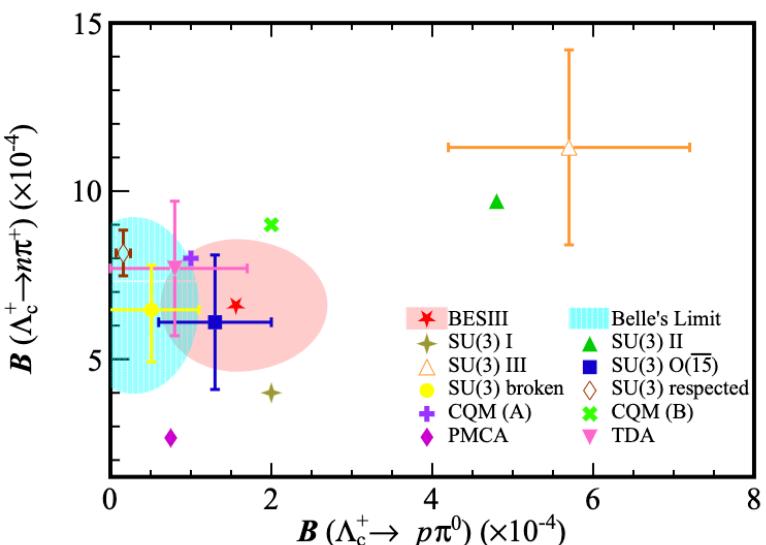
- neither ST nor DT can achieve sufficient signal sensitivity!

## Observation of $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow n\pi^+$



# Branching fraction comparisons

Model	$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda^+ \rightarrow p\pi^0) \times 10^4$	$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\eta) \times 10^4$	$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow n\pi^+) \times 10^4$
Constituent quark model [7]	(1, 2)	3	(8, 9)
Heavy quark effective theory [8]	1.1 - 3.6	-	1.0 - 2.1
Dynamic calculation [9, 10]	(0.75, 1.3)	12.8	2.66
Topological diagram [11]	$0.8^{+0.9}_{-0.8}$	$11.4 \pm 3.5$	$7.7 \pm 2.0$
Topological diagram [12]	$(0.3^{+1.0}_{-0.3}, 0.4^{+1.7}_{-0.4})$	$(14.2 \pm 2.3, 14.7 \pm 2.8)$	$(7.6 \pm 1.7, 8.3 \pm 2.6)$
SU(3) flavor symmetry [13]	2	-	4
SU(3) flavor symmetry [14]	4.8	-	9.7
SU(3) flavor symmetry [15]	$5.7 \pm 1.5$	-	$11.3 \pm 2.9$
SU(3) flavor symmetry [16]	$1.3 \pm 0.7$	$13.0 \pm 1.0$	$6.1 \pm 2.0$
SU(3) flavor symmetry [17]	$1.1^{+1.3}_{-1.1}$	$11.2 \pm 2.8$	$7.6 \pm 1.1$
SU(3) flavor symmetry [18]	$2.1 \pm 1.0$	$14.1 \pm 1.1$	$6.5 \pm 2.3$
BESIII experiment	$< 2.7$ [19] $1.57^{+0.74}_{-0.60}$ [23]	$12.4 \pm 3.0$ [19] $15.8 \pm 1.2$ [20]	$6.6 \pm 1.3$ [22]
Belle experiment	$< 0.8$ [21]	$14.2 \pm 1.2$ [21]	-





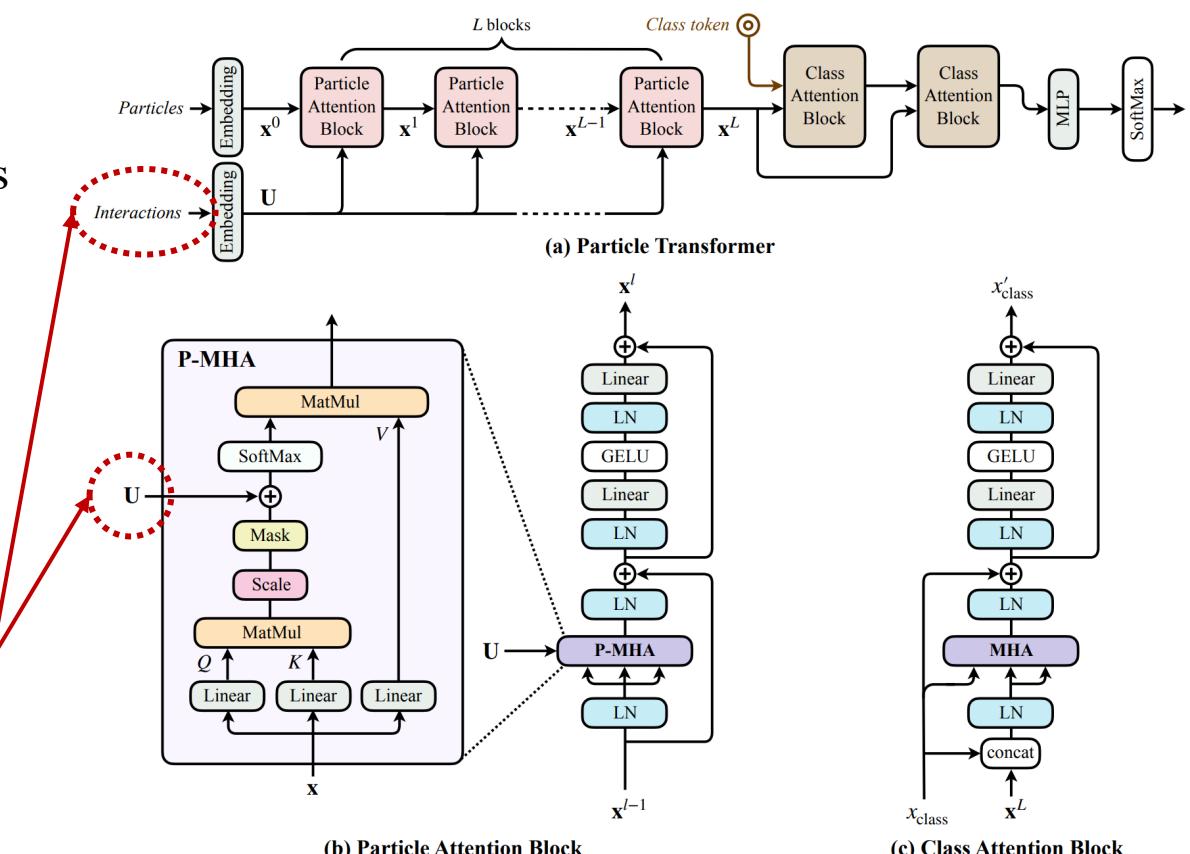
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## Model architecture – Transformer

- Foundation of Large Language Models like GPT
- Core concept: self-attention mechanism
- Particle Transformer: [arXiv:2202.03772](https://arxiv.org/abs/2202.03772)

- ✓ A transformer model tailored for particle physics
- ✓ Inject **physics-inspired pairwise features** as “bias” to the self-attention block

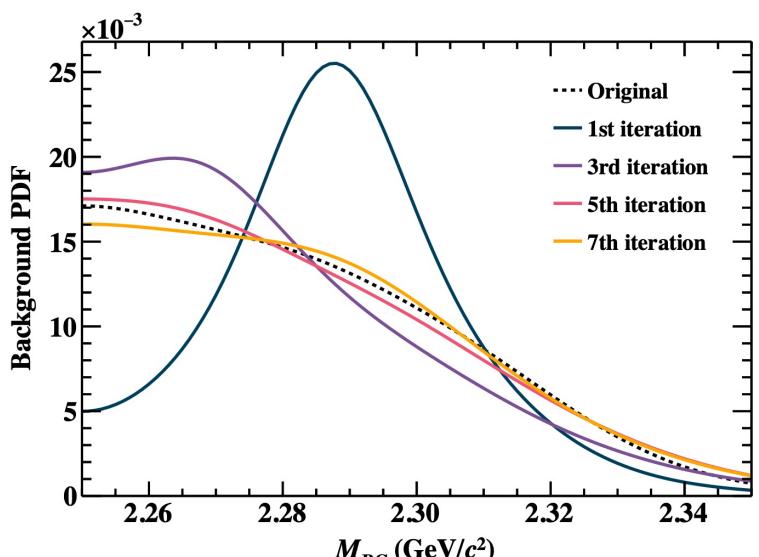
$$\begin{aligned}\Delta &= \sqrt{(y_a - y_b)^2 + (\phi_a - \phi_b)^2}, \\ k_T &= \min(p_{T,a}, p_{T,b})\Delta, \\ z &= \min(p_{T,a}, p_{T,b})/(p_{T,a} + p_{T,b}), \\ m^2 &= (E_a + E_b)^2 - \|\mathbf{p}_a + \mathbf{p}_b\|^2.\end{aligned}$$



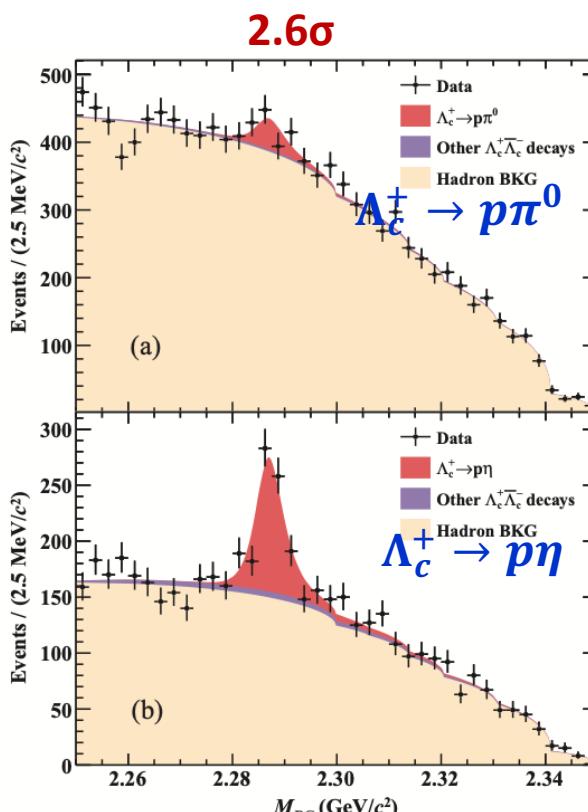
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- Use Deep Neural Network (DNN) to identify  $\Lambda_c^+ (\rightarrow p\pi^0)\bar{\Lambda}_c^- (\rightarrow \text{anything})$  after ST selections
  - ✓ Form point clouds with all recorded tracks & showers
  - ✓ Train Transformer model with MC samples covering all  $\bar{\Lambda}_c^-$  final states
  - ✓ Randomly shuffle signal & background MC samples with equal statistics
- Take  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\eta, \eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  as reference channel
- Data augmentation
  - ✓ train  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\pi^0$  and  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\eta$  in one uniform model
  - ✓ maximum systematic cancellation
- Mass decorrelation to ease the model decoration on the signal discriminator
  - ✓ an iterative method is implemented on beam-constrained mass in background events in loss function

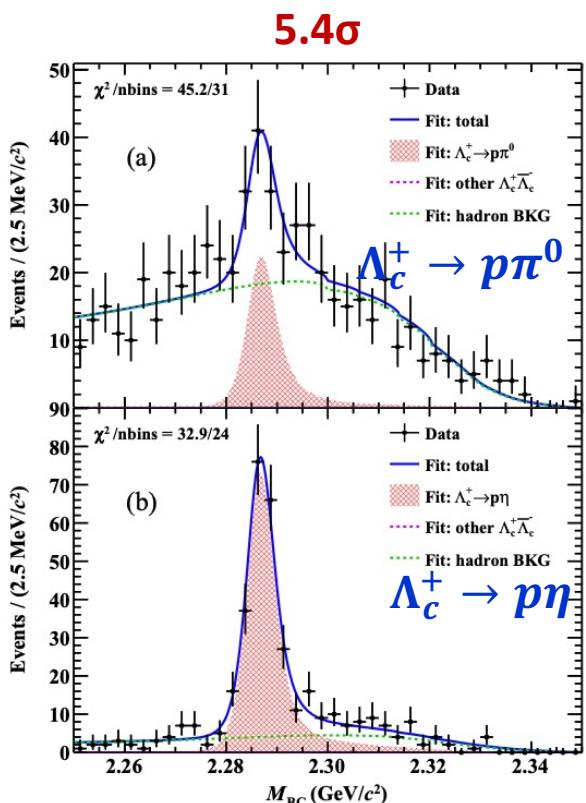
$$\omega_0(M_{BC}) = 1, \omega_i(M_{BC}) = \omega_{i-1}(M_{BC}) \cdot \frac{p_{i-1}^{BKG}(M_{BC})}{p_{orig}^{BKG}(M_{BC})}$$



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DNN training

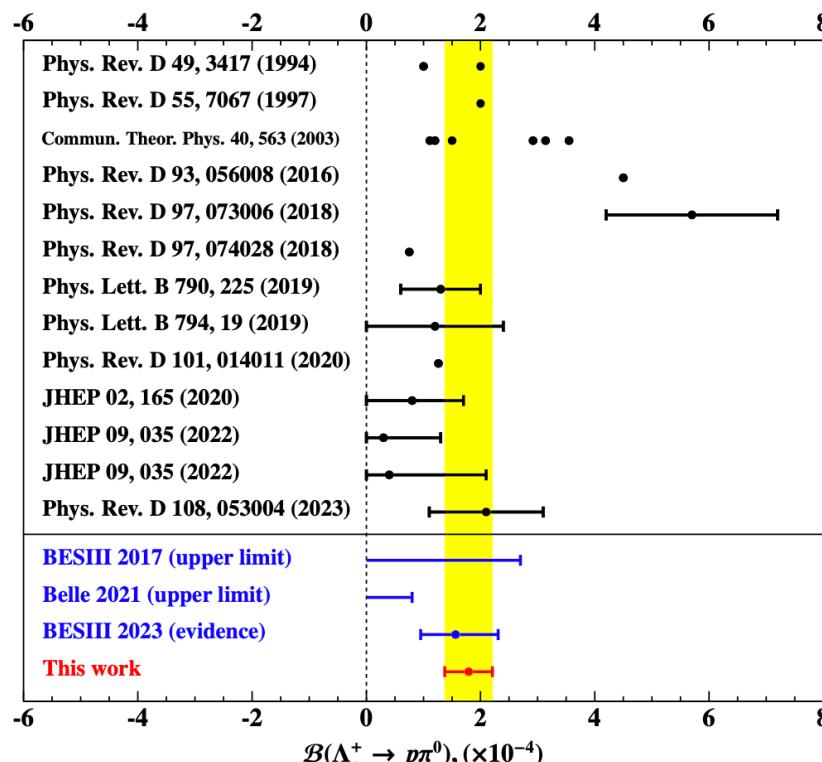


- 20 times of background suppression with 50% of signal efficiency
- validation samples of  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK_S\pi^0$  and  $pK_S\eta$

# SCS decays of $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\pi^0$

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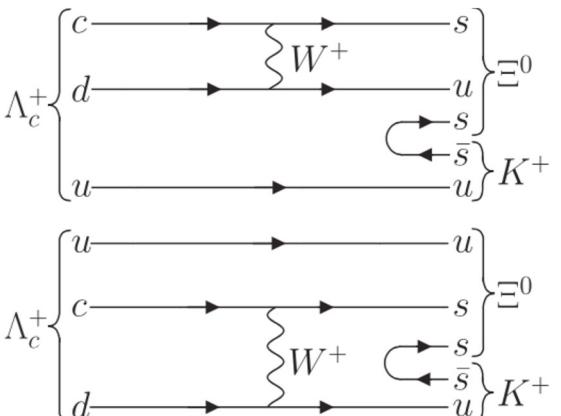
- The ratio is directly measured to be  $\frac{B(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\pi^0)}{B(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\eta)} = 0.120 \pm 0.026 \pm 0.007$
- The branching fraction is obtained to be  $B(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\pi^0) = (1.79 \pm 0.39 \pm 0.11 \pm 0.08) \times 10^{-4}$ , by adopting the average value of  $B(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\eta)$  from BESIII and BELLE.
- Agree with previous BESIII measurements and exceeds the upper limit set by BELLE



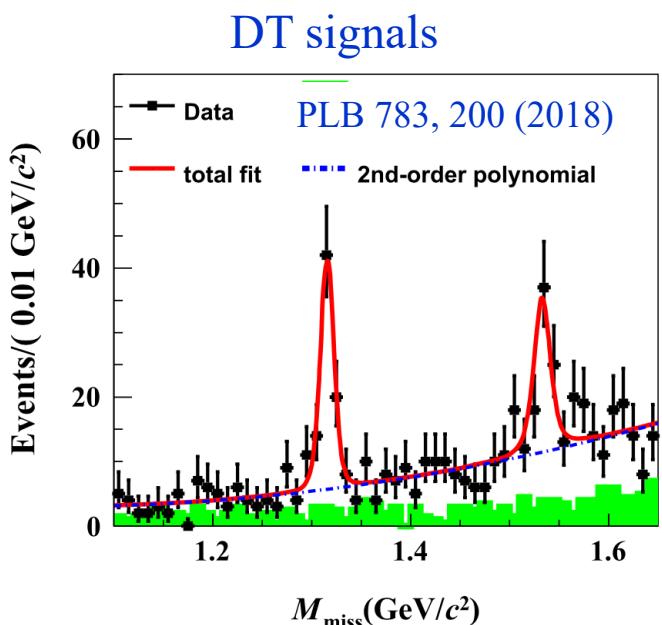
$$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Xi^0 K^+$$

- Previous theoretical calculation on the BF lower than exp. measurement, which all predicted zero decay asymmetry
- BESIII confirmed the exp. result of BF in 2018 [PLB 783, 200 (2018)]
- In theory, BF is enhanced by enhancing the decay asymmetry  $\alpha$  close to 1

$$\alpha_{\Xi^0 K^+} = 2\text{Re}(s^* p) / (|s|^2 + |p|^2)$$

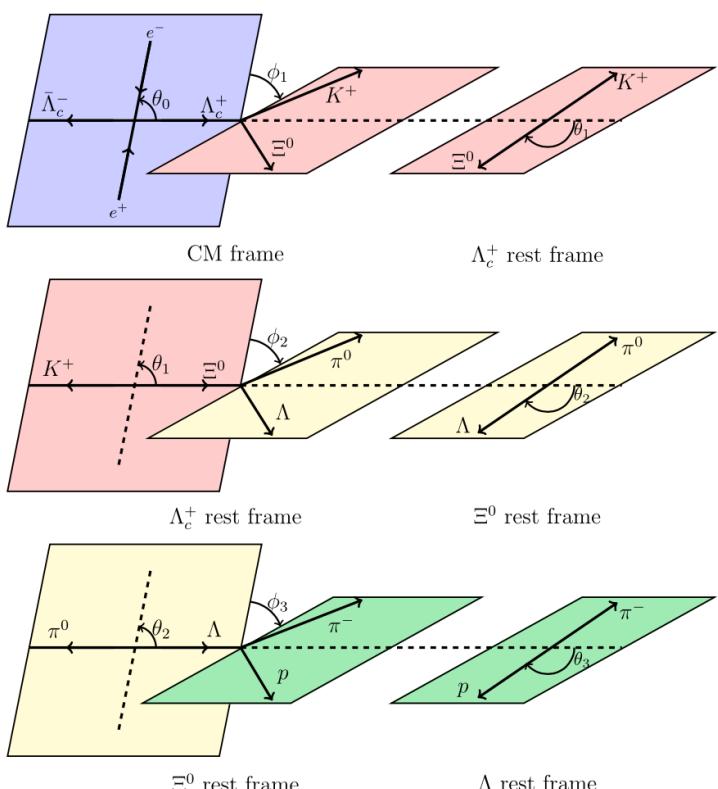
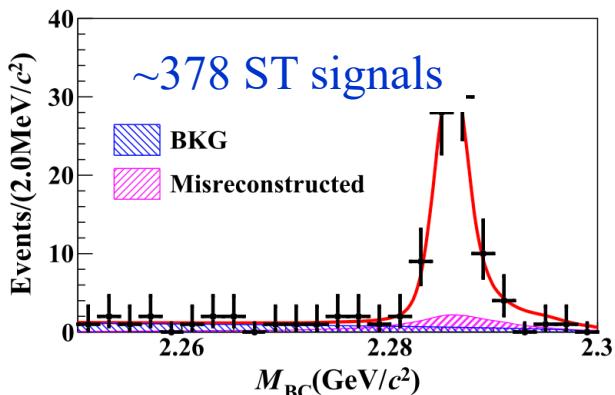


Theory or experiment	$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Xi^0 K^+) (\times 10^{-3})$	$\alpha_{\Xi^0 K^+}$
Körner (1992), CCQM [7]	2.6	0
Xu (1992), Pole [8]	1.0	0
Žencaykowski (1994), Pole [9]	3.6	0
Ivanov (1998), CCQM [10]	3.1	0
Sharma (1999), CA [11]	1.3	0
Geng (2019), SU(3) [12]	$5.7 \pm 0.9$	$0.94^{+0.06}_{-0.11}$
Zou (2020), CA [6]	7.1	0.90
Zhong (2022), SU(3) <sup>a</sup> [13]	$3.8^{+0.4}_{-0.5}$	$0.91^{+0.03}_{-0.04}$
Zhong (2022), SU(3) <sup>b</sup> [13]	$5.0^{+0.6}_{-0.6}$	$0.99 \pm 0.01$
BESIII (2018) [14]	$5.90 \pm 0.86 \pm 0.39$	...
PDG fit (2022) [2]	$5.5 \pm 0.7$	...

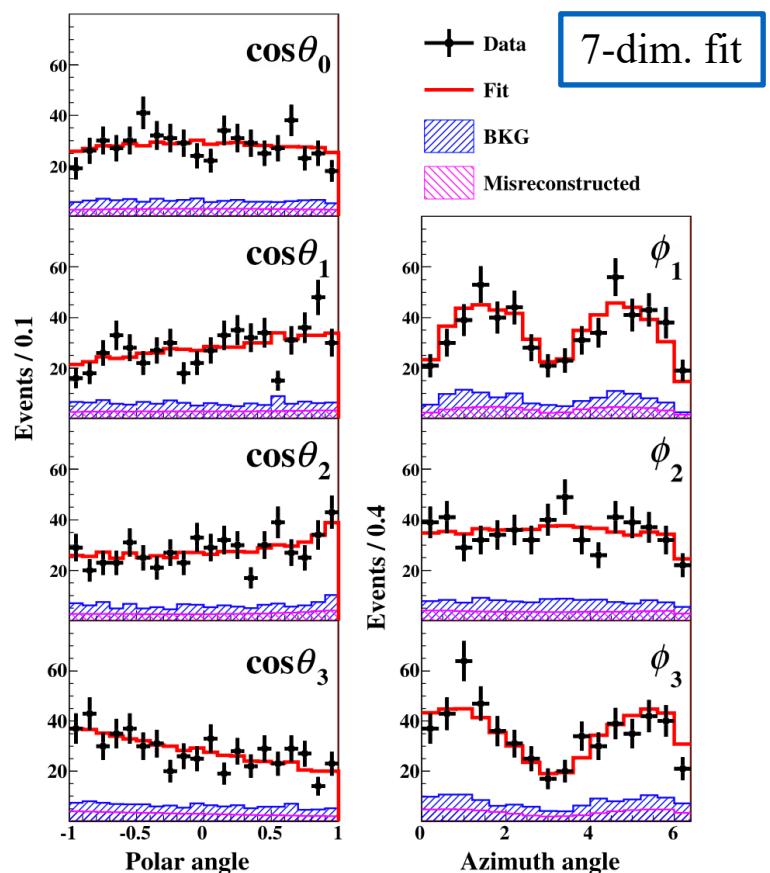


$$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Xi^0 K^+$$

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three-level cascade decay

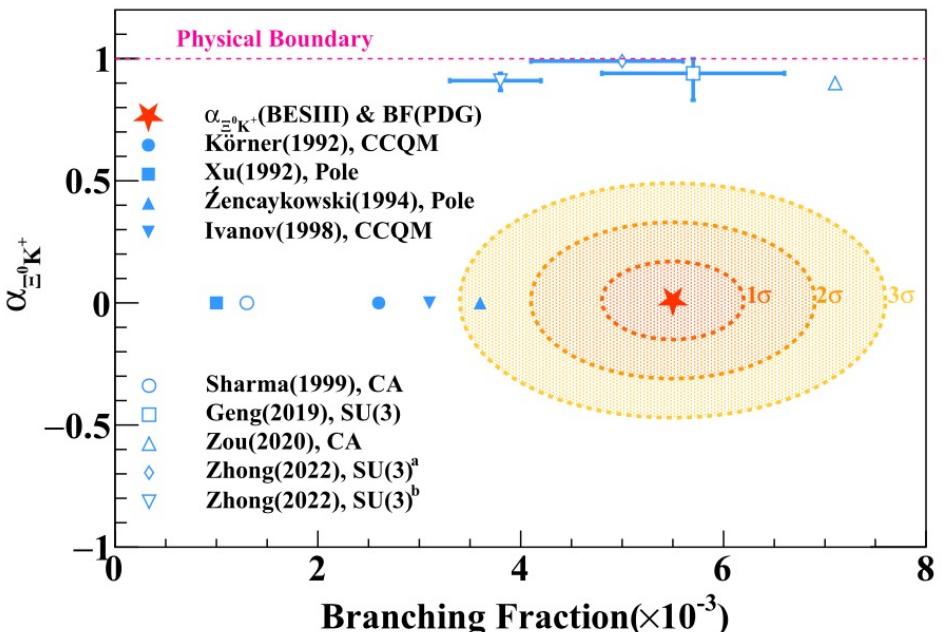
$$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Xi^0 K^+, \Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^0, \Lambda \rightarrow p \pi^-$$


# Decay asymmetry result and branching fraction



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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{d\Gamma}{d\cos\theta_0 \, d\cos\theta_1 \, d\cos\theta_2 \, d\cos\theta_3 \, d\phi_1 \, d\phi_2 \, d\phi_3} \\
 & \propto 1 + \alpha_0 \cos^2 \theta_0 \\
 & + (1 + \alpha_0 \cos^2 \theta_0) \alpha_{\Xi^0 K^+} + \alpha_{\Lambda \pi^0} \cos \theta_2 \\
 & + (1 + \alpha_0 \cos^2 \theta_0) \alpha_{\Xi^0 K^+} + \alpha_{p\pi^-} - \cos \theta_2 \cos \theta_3 \\
 & + (1 + \alpha_0 \cos^2 \theta_0) \alpha_{\Lambda \pi^0} \alpha_{p\pi^-} - \cos \theta_3 \\
 & - (1 + \alpha_0 \cos^2 \theta_0) \alpha_{\Xi^0 K^+} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_{\Lambda \pi^0}^2} \alpha_{p\pi^-} \sin \theta_2 \sin \theta_3 \cos(\Delta_{\Lambda \pi^0} + \phi_3) \\
 & + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_0^2} \sin \Delta_0 \sin \theta_0 \cos \theta_0 \alpha_{\Xi^0 K^+} + \sin \theta_1 \sin \phi_1 \\
 & + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_0^2} \sin \Delta_0 \sin \theta_0 \cos \theta_0 \alpha_{\Lambda \pi^0} \sin \theta_1 \sin \phi_1 \cos \theta_2 \\
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 \end{aligned}$$



First determination of decay asymmetry  
 $\alpha_{\Xi^0 K^+} = 0.01 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.03$ , which is  
 consistent with zero

# Determination on the phase differences

- Based on the angular fit, the phase angle  $\Delta_{\Xi^0 K^+} = (3.84 \pm 0.90 \pm 0.17) \text{ rad}$

$$\beta_{\Xi^0 K^+} = \sqrt{1 - (\alpha_{\Xi^0 K^+})^2} \sin \Delta_{\Xi^0 K^+}, \quad \beta_{\Xi^0 K^+} = -0.64 \pm 0.69 \pm 0.13$$

$$\gamma_{\Xi^0 K^+} = \sqrt{1 - (\alpha_{\Xi^0 K^+})^2} \cos \Delta_{\Xi^0 K^+}. \quad \gamma_{\Xi^0 K^+} = -0.77 \pm 0.58 \pm 0.11$$

- First determination on phase difference  $\delta_p - \delta_s$ , with two solutions of  $\pi/2$  and  $-\pi/2$

$$\Gamma_{\Xi^0 K^+} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Xi^0 K^+)}{\tau_{\Lambda_c^+}} = \frac{|\vec{p}_c|}{8\pi} \left[ \frac{(m_{\Lambda_c^+} + m_{\Xi^0})^2 - m_{K^+}^2}{m_{\Lambda_c^+}^2} |A|^2 + \frac{(m_{\Lambda_c^+} - m_{\Xi^0})^2 - m_{K^+}^2}{m_{\Lambda_c^+}^2} |B|^2 \right],$$

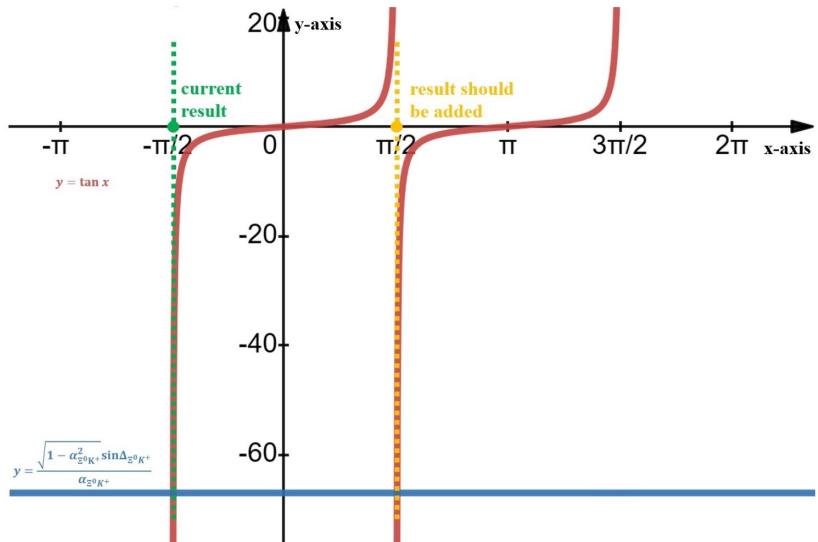
$$\alpha_{\Xi^0 K^+} = \frac{2\kappa|A||B|\cos(\delta_p - \delta_s)}{|A|^2 + \kappa^2|B|^2},$$

$$\Delta_{\Xi^0 K^+} = \arctan \frac{2\kappa|A||B|\sin(\delta_p - \delta_s)}{|A|^2 - \kappa^2|B|^2}$$

$$\delta_p - \delta_s = \arctan \left( \sqrt{1 - \alpha_{\Xi^0 K^+}^2} \sin \Delta_{\Xi^0 K^+} / \alpha_{\Xi^0 K^+} \right)$$

1st sol.:  $(-1.55 \pm 0.25 \pm 0.05) \text{ rad}$

2nd sol.:  $(1.59 \pm 0.25 \pm 0.05) \text{ rad}$





# $\Lambda_c^+$ decay asymmetries

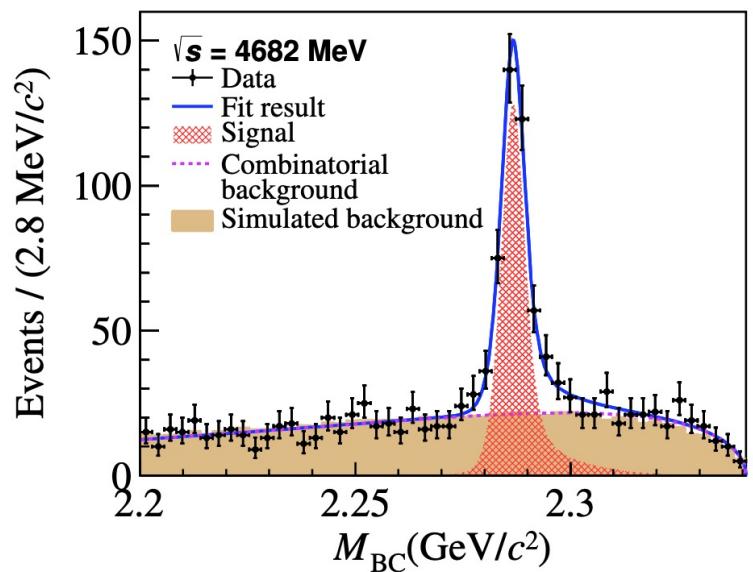
Predictions and measurements	$\alpha_{\Lambda_c^+}^{pK_s^0}$	$\alpha_{\Lambda_c^+}^{\Lambda\pi^+}$	$\alpha_{\Lambda_c^+}^{\Sigma^0\pi^+}$	$\alpha_{\Lambda_c^+}^{\Sigma^+\pi^0}$	$\alpha_{\Lambda_c^+}^{\Xi^0K^+}$
CLEO(1990) [1]	-	$-1.0^{+0.4}_{-0.1}$	-	-	-
ARGUS(1992) [2]	-	$-0.96 \pm 0.42$	-	-	-
Körner(1992), CCQM [3]	-0.10	-0.70	0.70	0.71	0
Xu(1992), Pole [4]	0.51	-0.67	0.92	0.92	0
Cheng, Tseng(1992), Pole [5]	-0.49	-0.96	0.83	0.83	-
Cheng, Tseng(1993), Pole [6]	-0.49	-0.95	0.78	0.78	-
Žencaykowski(1994), Pole [7]	-0.90	-0.86	-0.76	-0.76	0
Žencaykowski(1994), Pole [8]	-0.66	-0.99	0.39	0.39	0
CLEO(1995) [9]	-	$-0.94^{+0.21+0.12}_{-0.06-0.06}$	-	$-0.45 \pm 0.31 \pm 0.06$	-
Alakabha Datta(1995), CA [10]	-0.91	-0.94	-0.47	-0.47	-
Ivanov(1998), CCQM [11]	-0.97	-0.95	0.43	0.43	0
Sharma(1999), CA [12]	-0.99	-0.99	-0.31	-0.31	0
FOCUS(2006) [13]	-	$-0.78 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.19$	-	-	-
BESIII(2018) [14]	$0.18 \pm 0.43 \pm 0.14$	$-0.80 \pm 0.11 \pm 0.02$	$-0.73 \pm 0.17 \pm 0.07$	$-0.57 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.07$	-
Geng(2019), SU(3) [15]	$-0.89^{+0.26}_{-0.11}$	$-0.87 \pm 0.10$	$-0.35 \pm 0.27$	$-0.35 \pm 0.27$	$0.94^{+0.06}_{-0.11}$
Zou(2020), CA [16]	-0.75	-0.93	-0.76	-0.76	0.90
BELLE(2022) [17, 18]	-	$-0.755 \pm 0.005 \pm 0.003$	$-0.463 \pm 0.016 \pm 0.008$	$-0.48 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.02$	-
Zhong(2022), SU(3) <sup>a</sup> [19]	$-0.57 \pm 0.21$	$-0.75 \pm 0.01$	$-0.47 \pm 0.03$	$-0.47 \pm 0.03$	$0.91^{+0.03}_{-0.04}$
Zhong(2022), SU(3) <sup>b</sup> [19]	$-0.29 \pm 0.24$	$-0.75 \pm 0.01$	$-0.47 \pm 0.03$	$-0.47 \pm 0.03$	$0.99 \pm 0.01$
Liu(2023), Pole [20]	$-0.81 \pm 0.05$	$-0.75 \pm 0.01$	$-0.47 \pm 0.01$	$-0.45 \pm 0.04$	$0.95 \pm 0.02$
Liu(2023), LP [20]	$-0.68 \pm 0.01$	$-0.75 \pm 0.01$	$-0.47 \pm 0.01$	$-0.45 \pm 0.04$	$-0.02$
BESIII(2023) [21]	-	-	-	-	$0.01 \pm 0.16$
Geng(2023), SU(3) [22]	$-0.40 \pm 0.49$	$-0.75 \pm 0.01$	$-0.47 \pm 0.02$	$-0.47 \pm 0.02$	$-0.15 \pm 0.14$
Zhong(2024), TDA [23]	$0.01 \pm 0.24$	$-0.76 \pm 0.01$	$-0.48 \pm 0.02$	$-0.48 \pm 0.02$	$-0.16 \pm 0.13$
Zhong(2024), IRA [23]	$0.03 \pm 0.24$	$-0.76 \pm 0.01$	$-0.48 \pm 0.02$	$-0.48 \pm 0.02$	$-0.19 \pm 0.12$
LHCb(2024) [32]	$-0.754 \pm 0.008 \pm 0.006$	$-0.785 \pm 0.006 \pm 0.003$	-	-	-
Zhong(2024), TDA [31]	$-0.74 \pm 0.03$	$-0.76 \pm 0.01$	$-0.47 \pm 0.01$	$-0.47 \pm 0.01$	$-0.04 \pm 0.12$
Zhong(2024), IRA [31]	$-0.74 \pm 0.03$	$-0.76 \pm 0.01$	$-0.47 \pm 0.01$	$-0.47 \pm 0.01$	$-0.06 \pm 0.12$
PDG Fit(2024) [33]	$0.20 \pm 0.50$ (only BESIII)	$-0.755 \pm 0.006$	$-0.466 \pm 0.018$	$-0.484 \pm 0.027$	...

# Partial wave analysis of $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^+\eta$



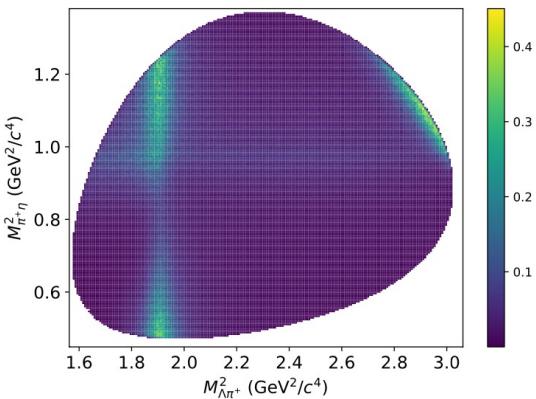
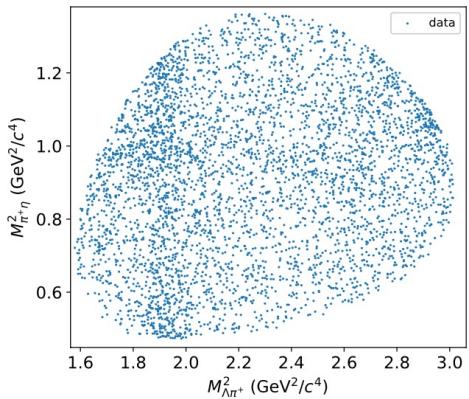
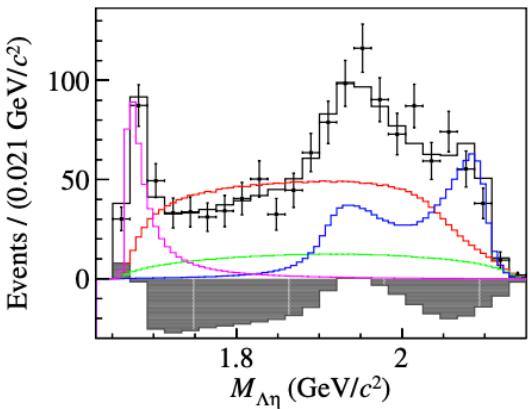
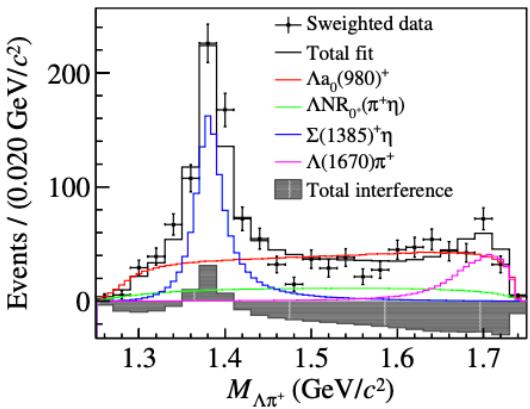
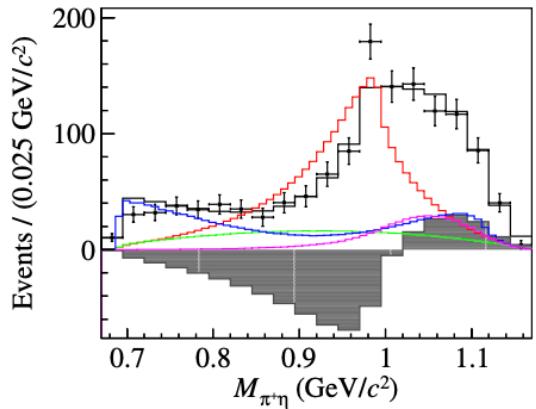
- A good channel to investigate different types of hadron states, especially tetraquark or pentaquark candidates
- $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^+\eta$  decay provides a good platform to study the internal structure of  $a_0(980)^+$  whose exact nature remains elusive.
- The  $\Lambda\pi^+$  mode, representing a pure  $I = 1$  combination, excludes influences from  $\Lambda^*$  resonances as compared to the  $\Sigma\pi$  and  $pK$  modes.
- Study of low-lying excited  $\frac{1}{2}^-$  state, eg  $\Sigma(1380)^+$ , can be performed, along with the nearby state  $\Sigma(1385)^+$

- Based on **TF-PWA** package:  
<https://gitlab.com/jiangyi15/tf-pwa>
- BDTG trained sample with about 1312 signals with purity of about 80%



# Baseline model of $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^+\eta$

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Process	FF (%)	$\mathcal{S}$	$\alpha$
$\Lambda a_0(980)^+$	$54.0 \pm 8.4 \pm 2.6$	$13.1\sigma$	$0.91^{+0.09}_{-0.18} \pm 0.08$
$\Sigma(1385)^+ \eta$	$30.4 \pm 2.6 \pm 0.7$	$22.5\sigma$	$-0.61 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.04$
$\Lambda(1670)\pi^+$	$14.1 \pm 2.8 \pm 1.2$	$11.7\sigma$	$0.21 \pm 0.27 \pm 0.33$
$ANR_0^+$	$15.4 \pm 5.3$	$6.7\sigma$	...

- $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda a_0(980)^+$  firstly observed
- Decay asymmetries obtained based on PWA amplitudes

$$\alpha_{\Lambda a_0(980)^+} = \frac{\left| H_{\frac{1}{2},0}^{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda a_0(980)^+} \right|^2 - \left| H_{-\frac{1}{2},0}^{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda a_0(980)^+} \right|^2}{\left| H_{\frac{1}{2},0}^{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda a_0(980)^+} \right|^2 + \left| H_{-\frac{1}{2},0}^{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda a_0(980)^+} \right|^2}$$

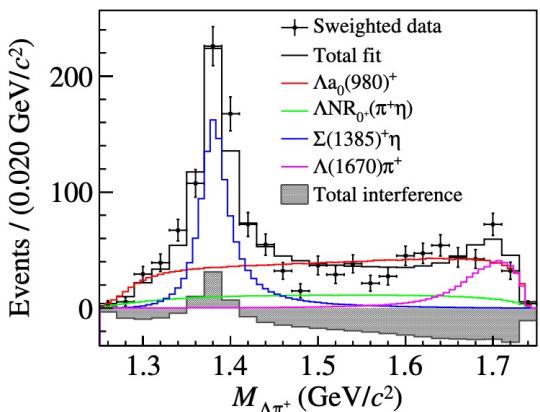
$$\alpha_{\Sigma(1385)^+ \eta} = \frac{\left| H_{\frac{1}{2},0}^{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma(1385)^+ \eta} \right|^2 - \left| H_{-\frac{1}{2},0}^{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma(1385)^+ \eta} \right|^2}{\left| H_{\frac{1}{2},0}^{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma(1385)^+ \eta} \right|^2 + \left| H_{-\frac{1}{2},0}^{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma(1385)^+ \eta} \right|^2}$$

$$\alpha_{\Lambda(1670)\pi^+} = \frac{\left| H_{\frac{1}{2},0}^{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda(1670)\pi^+} \right|^2 - \left| H_{-\frac{1}{2},0}^{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda(1670)\pi^+} \right|^2}{\left| H_{\frac{1}{2},0}^{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda(1670)\pi^+} \right|^2 + \left| H_{-\frac{1}{2},0}^{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda(1670)\pi^+} \right|^2}$$

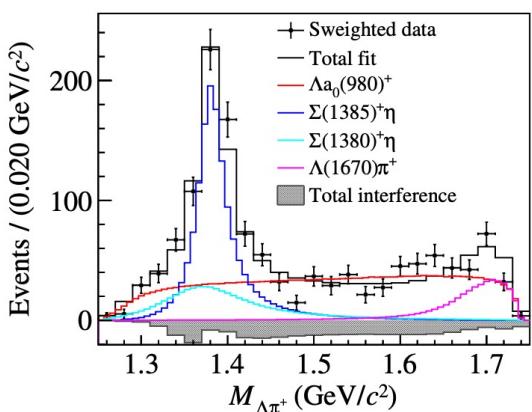
# Test of $\Sigma(1380)^+$ in $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^+\eta$

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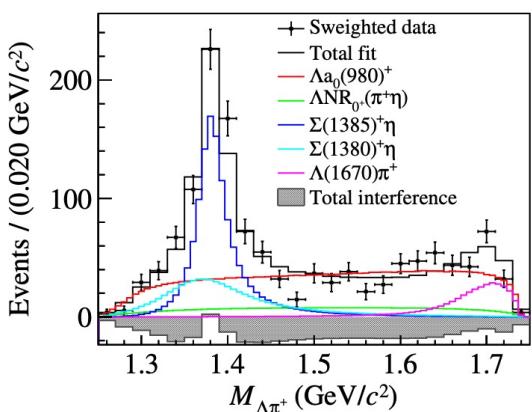
Baseline model



Model A



Model B

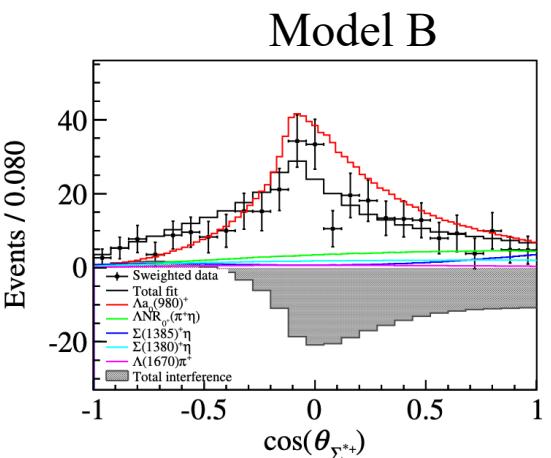
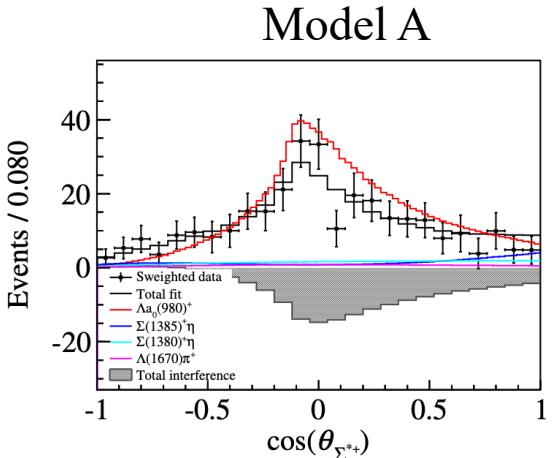
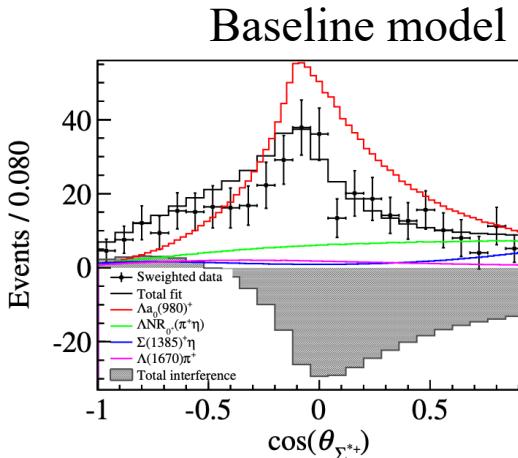


Process	Model A	Model B
$\Lambda a_0(980)^+$	$52.9 \pm 4.5$ ( $13.4\sigma$ )	$50.6 \pm 8.0$ ( $11.1\sigma$ )
$\Sigma(1385)^+\eta$	$36.6 \pm 2.6$ ( $15.8\sigma$ )	$31.3 \pm 3.0$ ( $14.6\sigma$ )
$\Lambda(1670)\pi^+$	$10.7 \pm 1.4$ ( $15.0\sigma$ )	$9.0 \pm 1.6$ ( $11.9\sigma$ )
$\Sigma(1380)^+\eta$	$15.5 \pm 4.4$ ( $6.1\sigma$ )	$17.7 \pm 5.7$ ( $3.3\sigma$ )
$\Lambda NR_0^+$	...	$11.3 \pm 4.4$ ( $4.2\sigma$ )

- An evidence of  $\Sigma(1380)^+$  is found with significance larger than  $3\sigma$

# Comparison of $\Sigma^{*+}$ helicity angles

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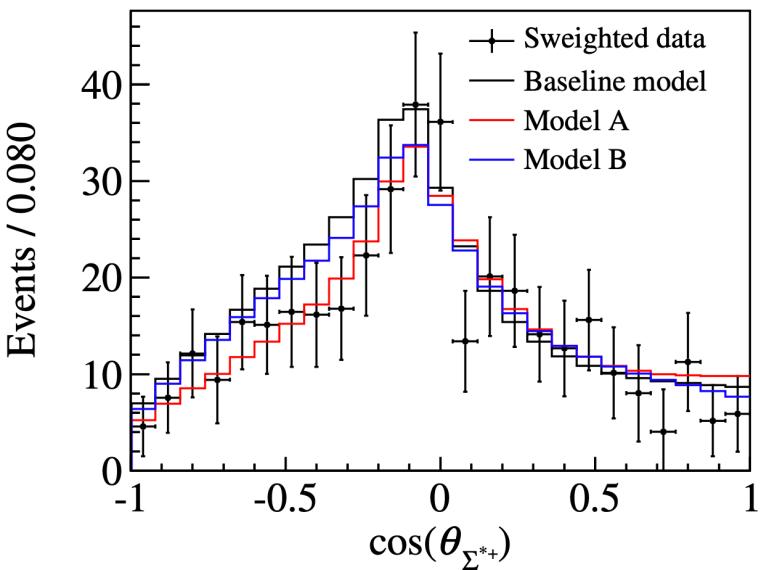


Kinematic region:

$$M_{\Lambda\pi^+} > 1.44 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

$$M_{\Lambda\eta} > 1.72 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

Better description of  $\Sigma^{*+}$  helicity angle distribution with inclusion of  $\Sigma(1380)$





# Partial wave analysis of $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^+\eta$

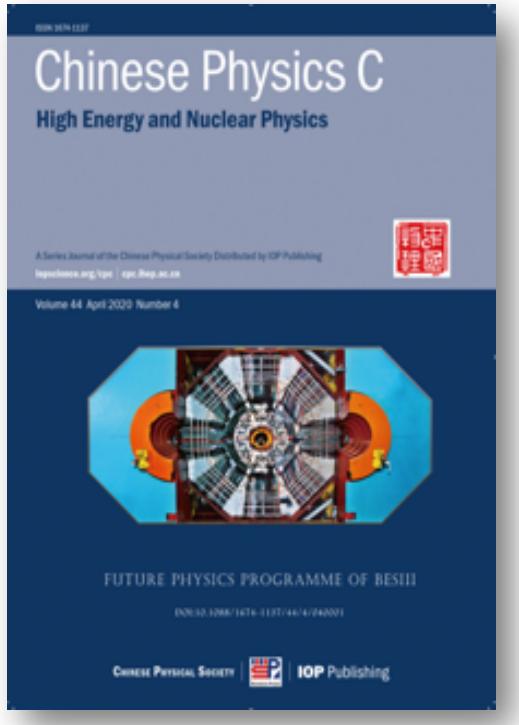
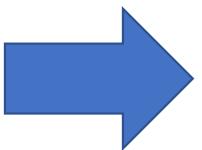
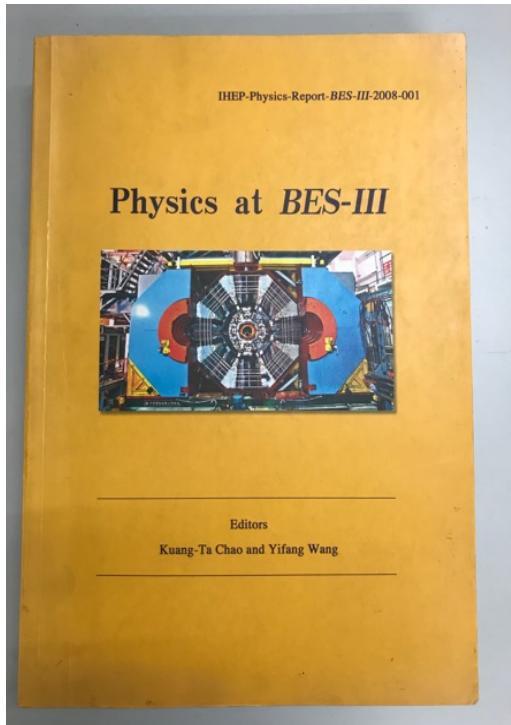
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	This work	BESIII previous	Belle
$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^+\eta)(\%)$	$1.94 \pm 0.13$	$1.84 \pm 0.26$	$1.84 \pm 0.13$
$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda a_0(980)^+) \cdot \mathcal{B}(a_0(980)^+ \rightarrow \pi^+\eta)(\%)$	$1.05 \pm 0.18$	—	—
$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma(1385)^+\eta)(\times 10^{-3})$	$6.78 \pm 0.76$	$9.1 \pm 2.0$	$12.1 \pm 1.5$
$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda(1670)^0\pi^+) \cdot \mathcal{B}(\Lambda(1670)^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\eta)(\times 10^{-3})$	$2.74 \pm 0.62$	—	$3.48 \pm 0.53$
$\alpha_{\Lambda a_0(980)^+}$	$0.91^{+0.09}_{-0.18} \pm 0.08$	—	—
$\alpha_{\Sigma(1385)^+\eta}$	$-0.61 \pm 0.15$	—	—
$\alpha_{\Lambda(1670)^0\pi^+}$	$0.21 \pm 0.43$	—	—

Decay Mode	Ref. [19]	Ref. [20]	Ref. [21]	Ref. [14]
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma(1385)^+\eta (\times 10^{-3})$	10.4	$2.1 \pm 1.1 / 1.4 \pm 1.0$	$6.2 \pm 0.5 (3.1 \pm 0.6)$	$5.3 \pm 0.8 (7.3 \pm 1.5)$
Decay Mode		Ref. [26]		Ref. [27]
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda a_0(980)^+$		$1.9 \times 10^{-4}$		$(1.7^{+2.8}_{-1.0} \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-3}$

- If taking  $\mathcal{B}(a_0(980)^+ \rightarrow \pi^+\eta) = (85.3 \pm 1.4)\%$ ,  $\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda a_0(980)^+) = (1.23 \pm 0.21)\%$ , which differs significantly larger than theoretical prediction by 1-2 orders of magnitude.
- Large decay asymmetry in  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda a_0(980)^+$

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# Planned future data set

Table 7.1: List of data samples collected by BESIII/BEPCII up to 2019, and the proposed samples for the remainder of the physics program. The most right column shows the number of required data taking days in current ( $T_C$ ) or upgraded ( $T_U$ ) machine. The machine upgrades include top-up implementation and beam current increase.

Energy	Physics motivations	Current data	Expected final data	$T_C / T_U$
1.8 - 2.0 GeV	$R$ values Nucleon cross-sections	N/A	$0.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ (fine scan)	60/50 days
2.0 - 3.1 GeV	$R$ values Cross-sections	Fine scan (20 energy points)	Complete scan (additional points)	250/180 days
$J/\psi$ peak	Light hadron & Glueball $J/\psi$ decays	$3.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ (10 billion)	$3.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ (10 billion)	N/A
$\psi(3686)$ peak	Light hadron & Glueball Charmonium decays	$0.67 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ (0.45 billion)	$4.5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ (3.0 billion)	150/90 days
$\psi(3770)$ peak	$D^0/D^\pm$ decays	$2.9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	$20.0 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	610/360 days
3.8 - 4.6 GeV	$R$ values $XYZ$ /Open charm	Fine scan (105 energy points)	No requirement	N/A
4.180 GeV	$D_s$ decay $XYZ$ /Open charm	$3.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	$6 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	140/50 days
4.0 - 4.6 GeV	$XYZ$ /Open charm Higher charmonia cross-sections	$16.0 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ at different $\sqrt{s}$	$30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ at different $\sqrt{s}$	770/310 days
4.6 - 4.9 GeV	Charmed baryon/ $XYZ$ cross-sections	$0.56 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ at 4.6 GeV	$15 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ at different $\sqrt{s}$	1490/600 days
4.74 GeV	$\Sigma_c^+ \bar{\Lambda}_c^-$ cross-section	N/A	$1.0 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	100/40 days
4.91 GeV	$\Sigma_c \bar{\Sigma}_c$ cross-section	N/A	$1.0 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	120/50 days
4.95 GeV	$\Xi_c$ decays	N/A	$1.0 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	130/50 days

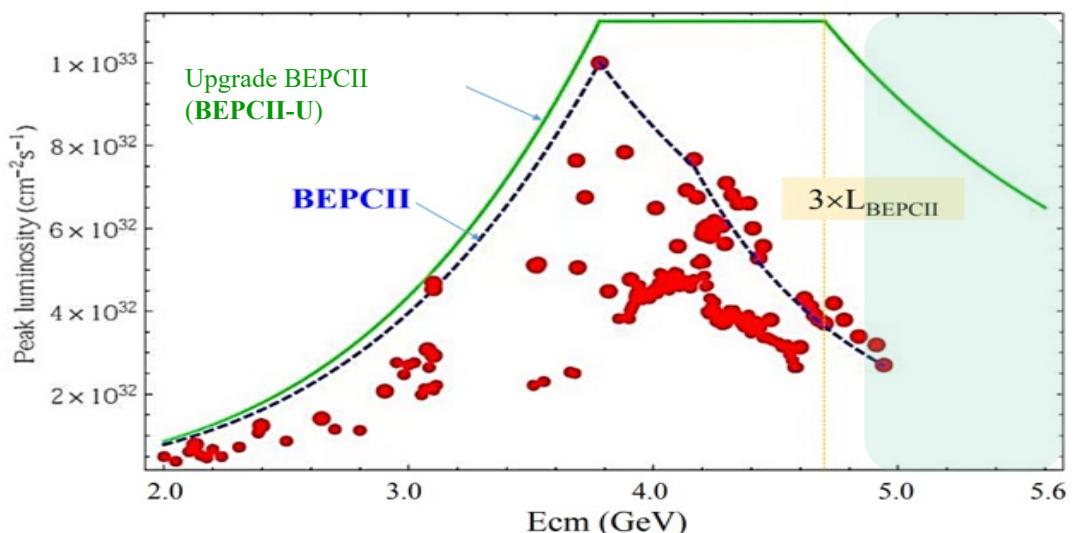
$18 \text{ fb}^{-1}$   
 $\Lambda_c^+$  data

in 2020-2021,  $5.8 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  is taken

[Chin. Phys. C 46, 113003 (2022)]

An upgrade of BEPCII (**BEPCII-U**) has been approved in July 2021 and planned to be completed by the end of 2024

- ✓ Improve luminosity by 3 times higher than current BEPCII at 4.7 GeV
- ✓ Extend the maximum energy to 5.6 GeV

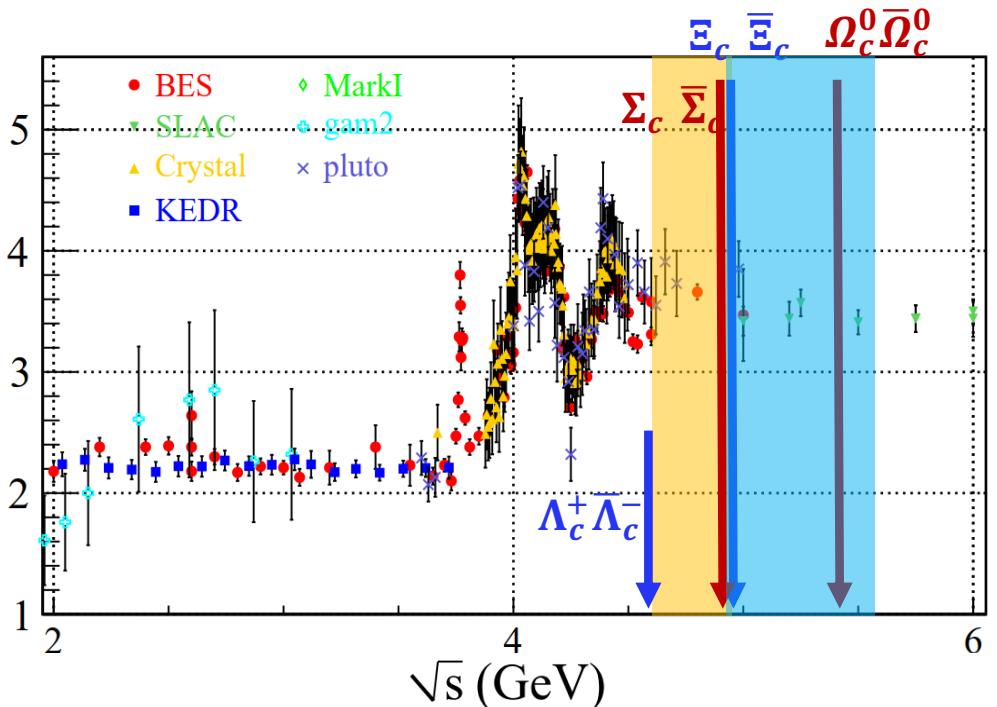
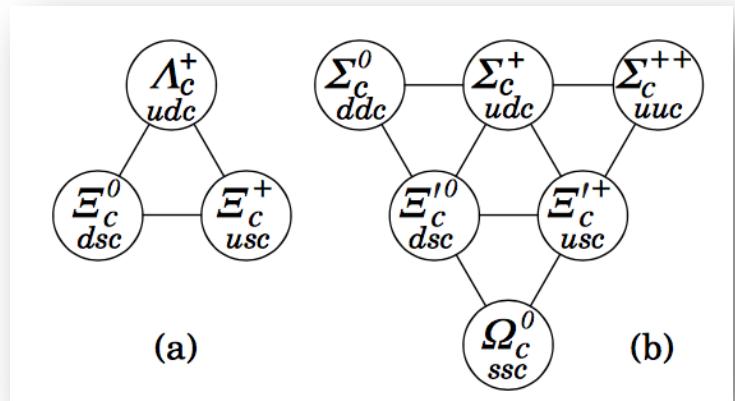


Capable of finishing the proposed luminosity of  $\Lambda_c^+$  data in shorter time

1490 → 600 days

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# Heavier charmed baryons



- Energy thresholds
  - ✓  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+\bar{\Sigma}_c^-$  4.74 GeV
  - ✓  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+\bar{\Sigma}_c^- \pi$  4.88 GeV
  - ✓  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Sigma_c \bar{\Sigma}_c$  4.91 GeV
  - ✓  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Xi_c \bar{\Xi}_c$  4.94 GeV
  - ✓  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Omega_c^0 \bar{\Omega}_c^0$  5.40 GeV

- Cover all the **ground-state charmed baryons**: studies on their production & decays, CPV search, **to help developing more reliable QCD-derived models in charm sector**
- Studies on the production and decays of **excited charmed baryons**



# Yet-to-be-Explored $\Xi_c^{+,0}/\Omega_c^0$ Decays

- We (will) have precise  $\Lambda_c^+$  data after BESIII efforts
- However,  $\Xi_c^{+,0}/\Omega_c^0$  has insufficient data
- A new territory for BESIII!

<i>Mode</i>	<i>Fraction (<math>\Gamma_i / \Gamma</math>)</i>
▼ Cabibbo-favored ( $S = -2$ ) decays	
$\Gamma_1 p2 K_S^0$	$(2.5 \pm 1.3) \times 10^{-3}$
$\Gamma_2 \Lambda \bar{K}^0 \pi^+$	
$\Gamma_3 \Sigma(1385)^+ \bar{K}^0$	<sup>[1]</sup> $(2.9 \pm 2.0)\%$
$\Gamma_4 \Lambda K^- 2 \pi^+$	$(9 \pm 4) \times 10^{-3}$
$\Gamma_5 \Lambda \bar{K}^*(892)^0 \pi^+$	<sup>[1]</sup> $< 5 \times 10^{-3}$
$\Gamma_6 \Sigma(1385)^+ K^- \pi^+$	<sup>[1]</sup> $< 6 \times 10^{-3}$
$\Gamma_7 \Sigma^+ K^- \pi^+$	$(2.7 \pm 1.2)\%$
$\Gamma_8 \Sigma^+ \bar{K}^*(892)^0$	<sup>[1]</sup> $(2.3 \pm 1.1)\%$
$\Gamma_9 \Sigma^0 K^- 2 \pi^+$	$(8 \pm 5) \times 10^{-3}$
$\Gamma_{10} \Xi^0 \pi^+$	$(1.6 \pm 0.8)\%$
$\Gamma_{11} \Xi^- 2 \pi^+$	$(2.9 \pm 1.3)\%$
$\Gamma_{12} \Xi(1530)^0 \pi^+$	<sup>[1]</sup> $< 2.9 \times 10^{-3}$
$\Gamma_{13} \Xi(1620)^0 \pi^+$	seen
$\Gamma_{14} \Xi(1690)^0 \pi^+$	seen
$\Gamma_{15} \Xi^0 \pi^+ \pi^0$	$(6.7 \pm 3.5)\%$
$\Gamma_{16} \Xi^0 \pi^- 2 \pi^+$	$(5.0 \pm 2.6)\%$
$\Gamma_{17} \Xi^0 e^+ \nu_e$	$(7 \pm 4)\%$
$\Gamma_{18} \Omega^- K^+ \pi^+$	$(2.0 \pm 1.5) \times 10^{-3}$

<i>Mode</i>	<i>Fraction (<math>\Gamma_i / \Gamma</math>)</i>
► Cabibbo-favored ( $S = -3$ ) decays — relative to $\Omega^- \pi^+$	
$\Gamma_6 \Xi^0 \bar{K}^0$	$1.64 \pm 0.29$
$\Gamma_7 \Xi^0 K^- \pi^+$	$1.20 \pm 0.18$
$\Gamma_8 \Xi^0 \bar{K}^{*0}, \bar{K}^{*0} \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$	$0.68 \pm 0.16$
$\Gamma_9 \Omega(2012)^- \pi^+, \Omega(2012)^- \rightarrow \Xi^0 K^-$	$0.12 \pm 0.05$
$\Gamma_{10} \Xi^- \bar{K}^0 \pi^+$	$2.12 \pm 0.28$
$\Gamma_{11} \Omega(2012)^- \pi^+, \Omega(2012)^- \rightarrow \Xi^- \bar{K}^0$	$0.12 \pm 0.06$
$\Gamma_{12} \Xi^- K^- 2 \pi^+$	$0.63 \pm 0.09$
$\Gamma_{13} \Xi(1530)^0 K^- \pi^+, \Xi^{*0} \rightarrow \Xi^- \pi^+$	$0.21 \pm 0.06$
$\Gamma_{14} \Xi^- \bar{K}^{*0} \pi^+$	$0.34 \pm 0.11$
$\Gamma_{15} p K^- K^- \pi^+$	seen
$\Gamma_{16} \Sigma^+ K^- K^- \pi^+$	$< 0.32$
$\Gamma_{17} \Lambda \bar{K}^0 \bar{K}^0$	$1.72 \pm 0.35$

$\Xi_c^+$  PDG2023

$\Omega_c^0$  PDG2023



# Summary

- ◆ In recent years, experimental activities on charmed baryons are reviving, esp. at BESIII, LHCb and Belle (II)
- ◆ **Threshold data at BESIII** opens a new door to direct measurements of the decays → comprehensive and systematic studies of charmed baryon decays
  - ✓ BESIII has published several world-leading results based on  $\sim 80 \text{ M } \Lambda_c^+$  samples
  - ✓ More efforts on hadronic decays with  $n/\Sigma/\Xi$  particles & semi-leptonic decays
  - ✓ Plan to take data up to 5.6 GeV to cover all the ground-state charmed baryons
- ◆ The advanced machine-learning technique and PWA analysis becomes very competitive and powerful to achieve precise measurement
- ◆ The coming BEPCII-U will be essential for future BESIII program in charmed baryon decays