

Search for Pentaquarks

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Hadron Spectroscopy 101

Meson: quark-antiquark pair

Baryon: three quarks (valence)

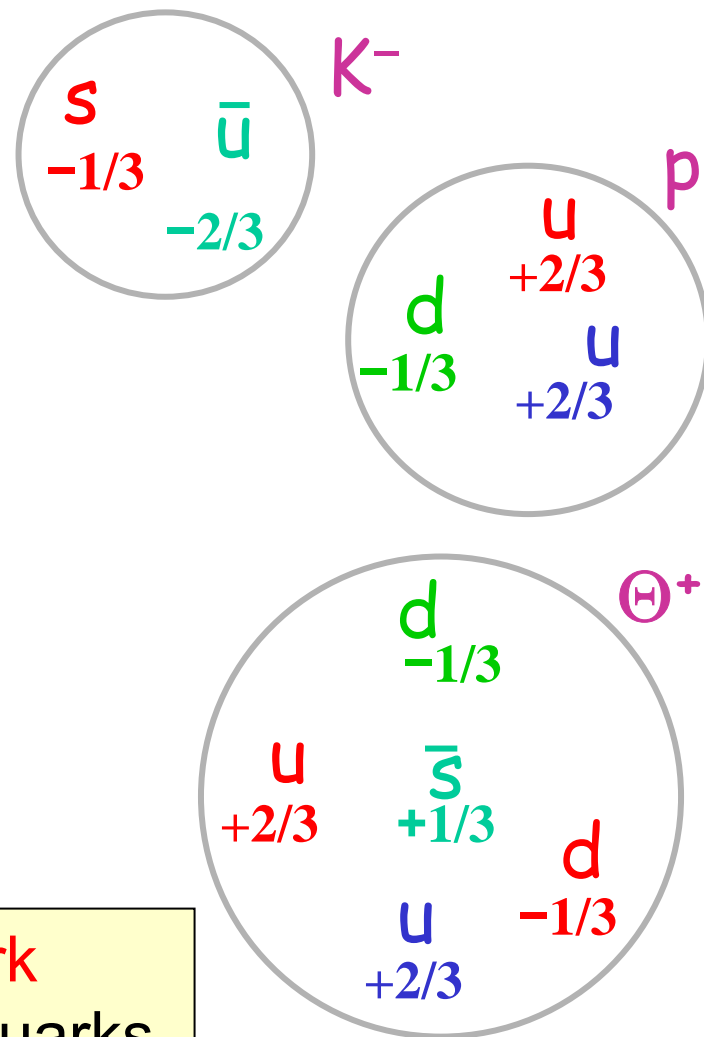
Pentaquark: 4 quarks + 1 antiquark

Each quark has a unique

- **charge** (+2/3 or -1/3)
- **flavor** (u,d,s,c,b,t)
- **color** (red, green, blue)

Hadrons must be colorless

The Θ^+ represents **a new form of quark matter** containing a minimum of five quarks.



Types of Pentaquarks

- “Non-exotic” pentaquarks
 - The antiquark has the same flavor as one of the other quarks
 - Difficult to distinguish from 3-quark baryons

Example: $uuds\bar{s}$, same quantum numbers as uud
Strangeness = $0 + 0 + 0 - 1 + 1 = 0$

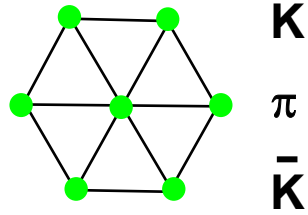
- “Exotic” pentaquarks
 - The antiquark has a flavor different from the other 4 quarks
 - They have quantum numbers different from any 3-quark baryon
 - Unique identification using experimental conservation laws

Example: $uudd\bar{s}$
Strangeness = $0 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 1 = +1$

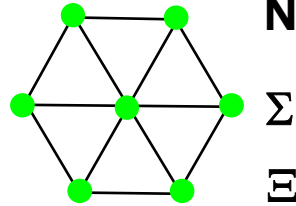


Hadron Multiplets

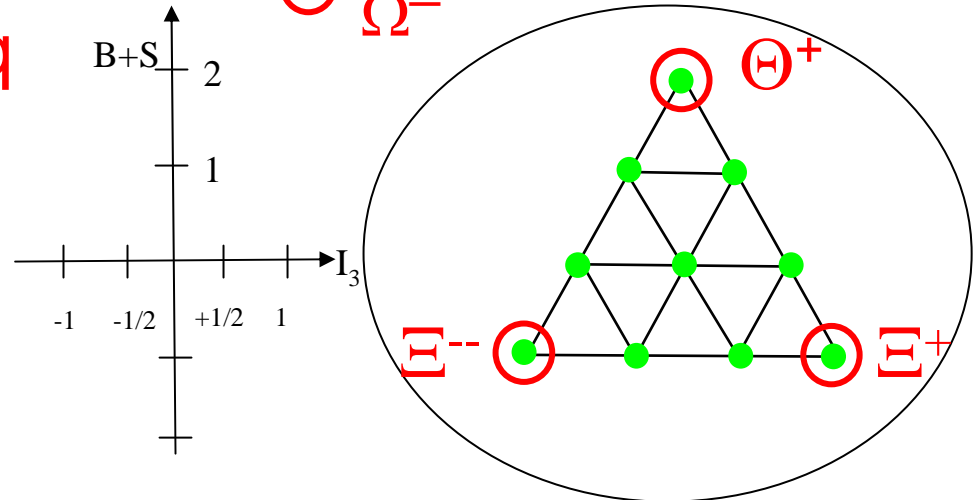
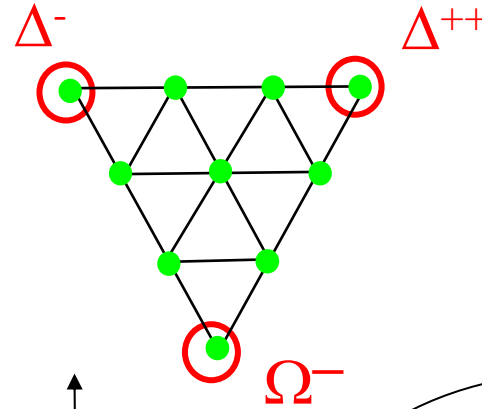
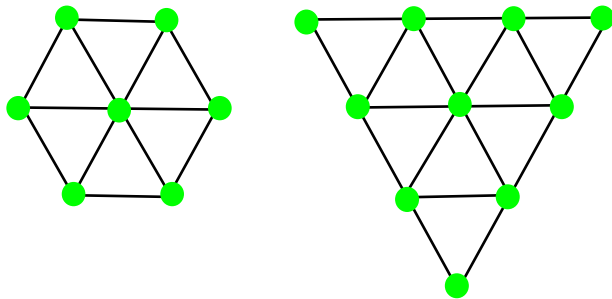
Mesons $q\bar{q}$



Baryons qqq



Baryons built from $qqqqq\bar{q}$

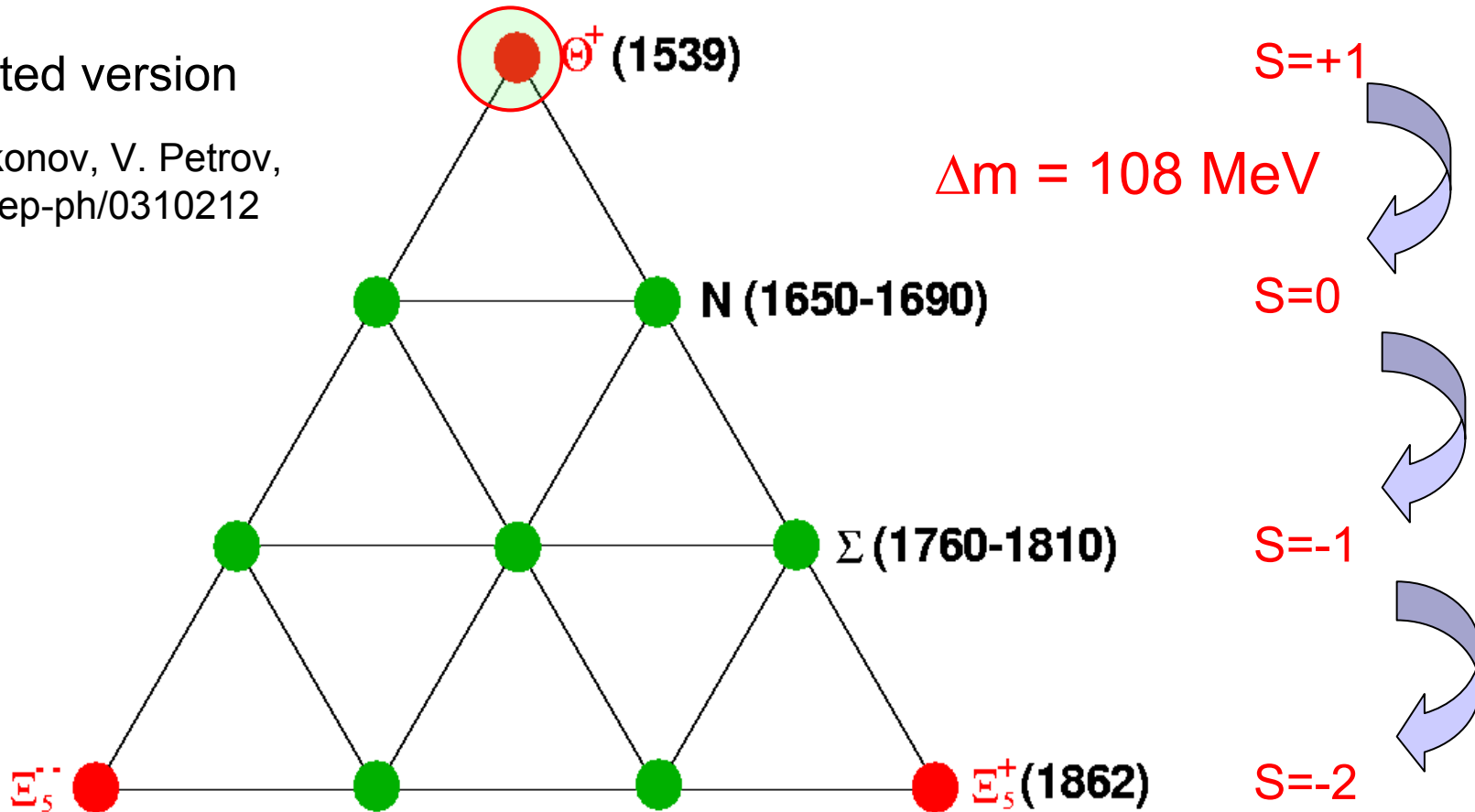


The Anti-decuplet in the χ SM

D. Diakonov, V. Petrov, M. Polyakov, Z.Phys.A359, 305 (1997)

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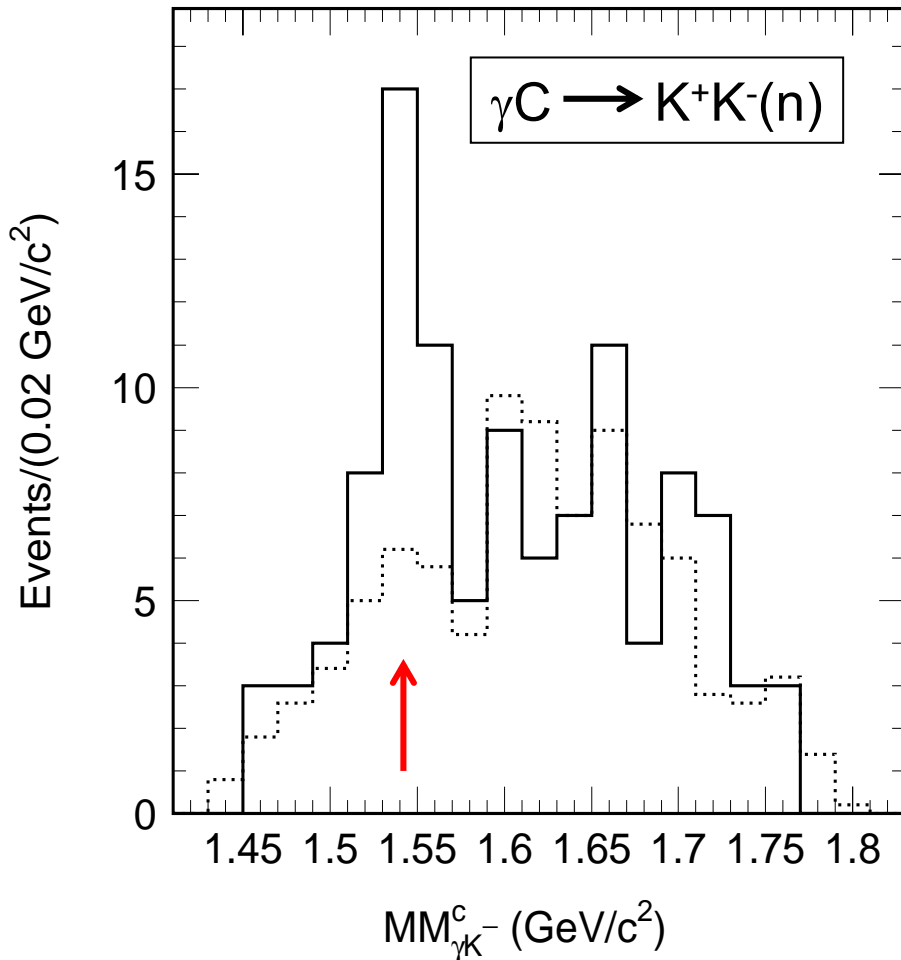
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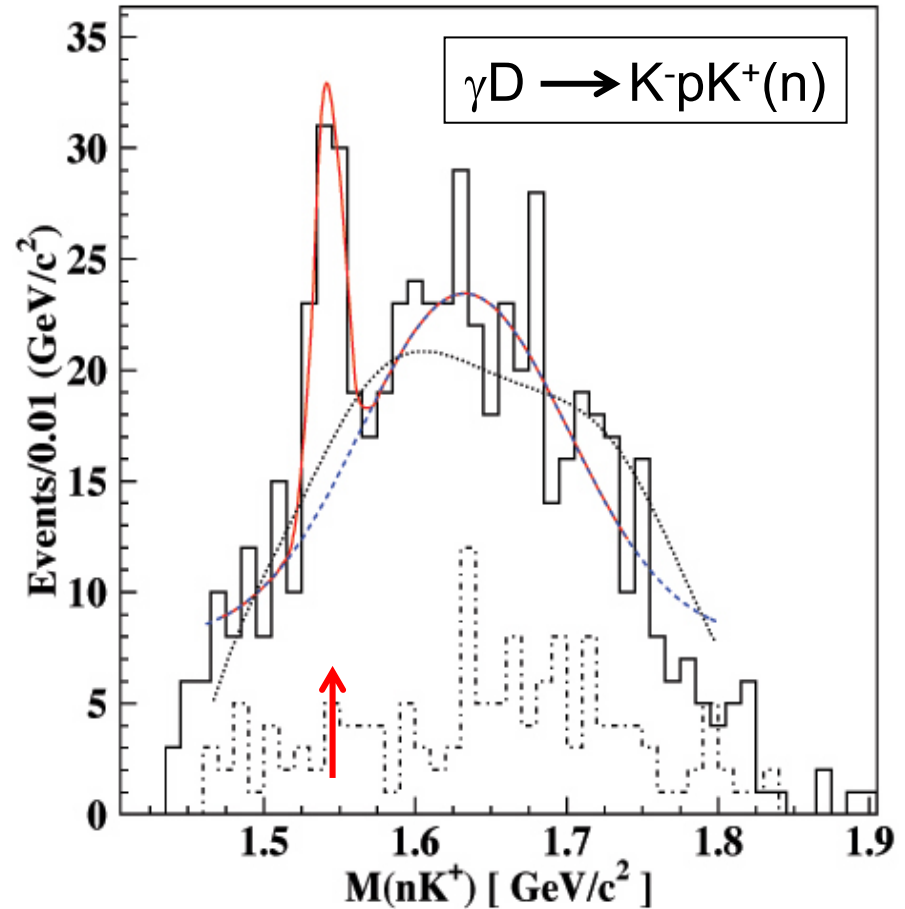
Show experimental evidence for results submitted for publication.

$\Theta^+(1540)$ as seen with e.m. probes

PRL91, 012002 (2003) **LEPS/SPring8**



PRL91, 252001 (2003) **CLAS/JLab**

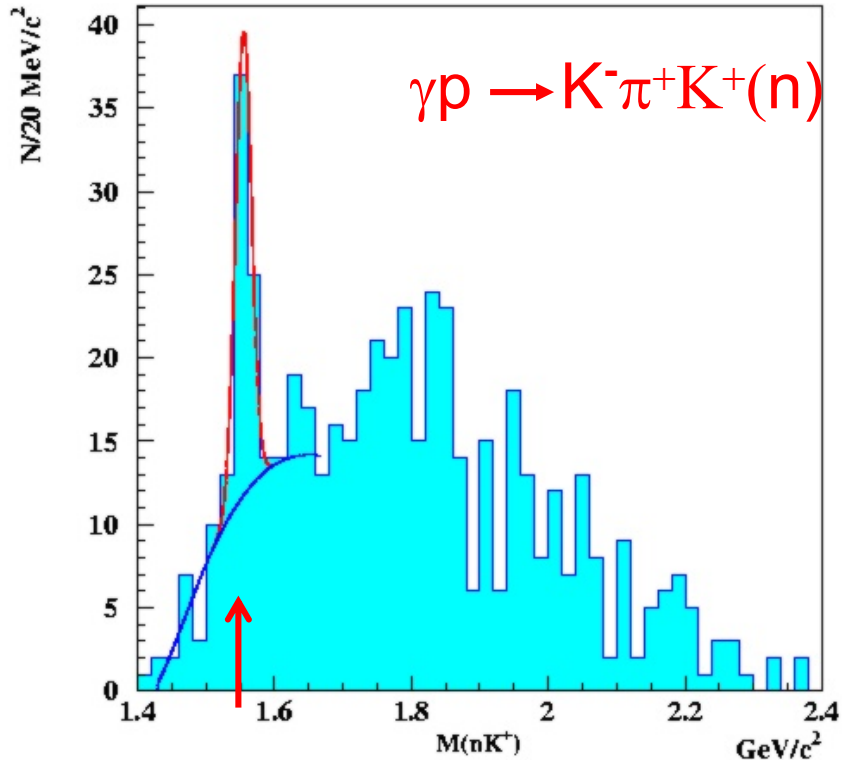


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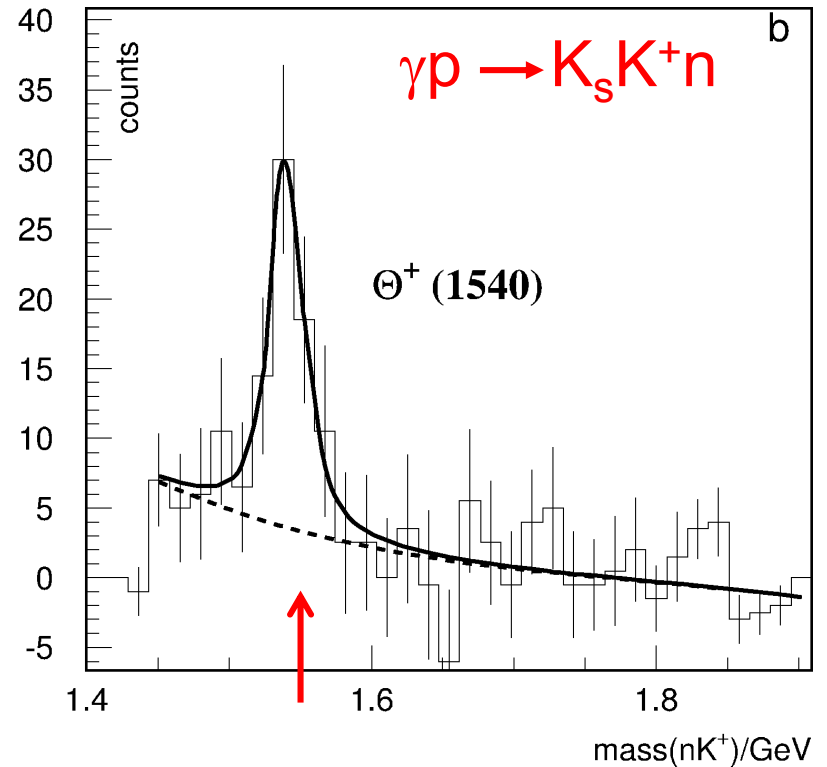
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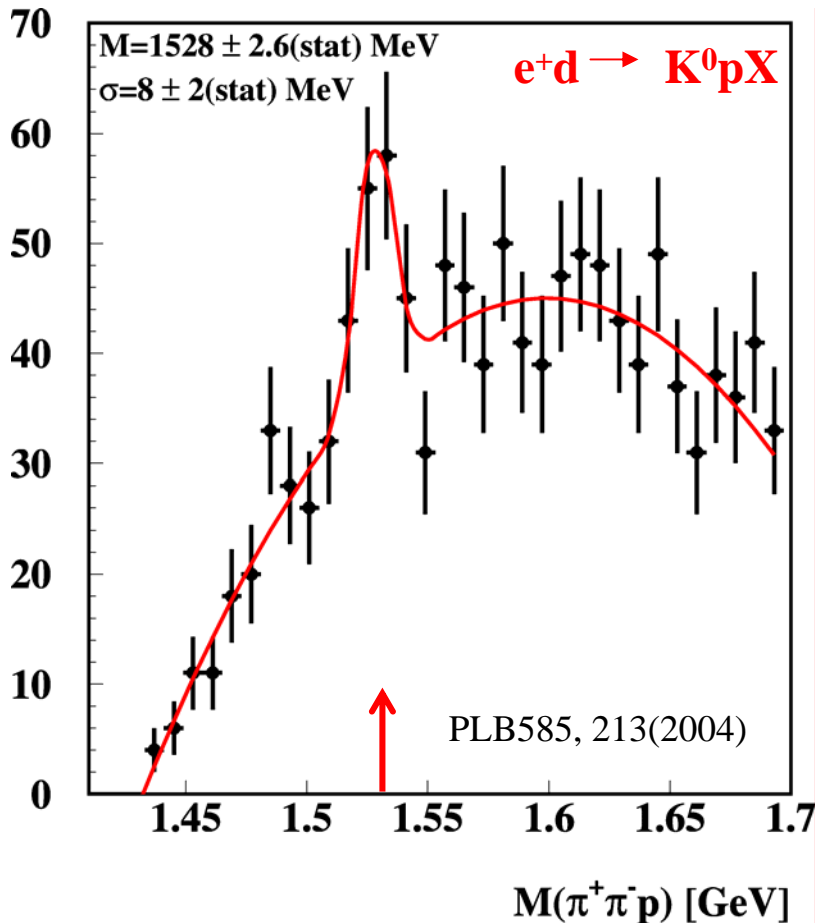


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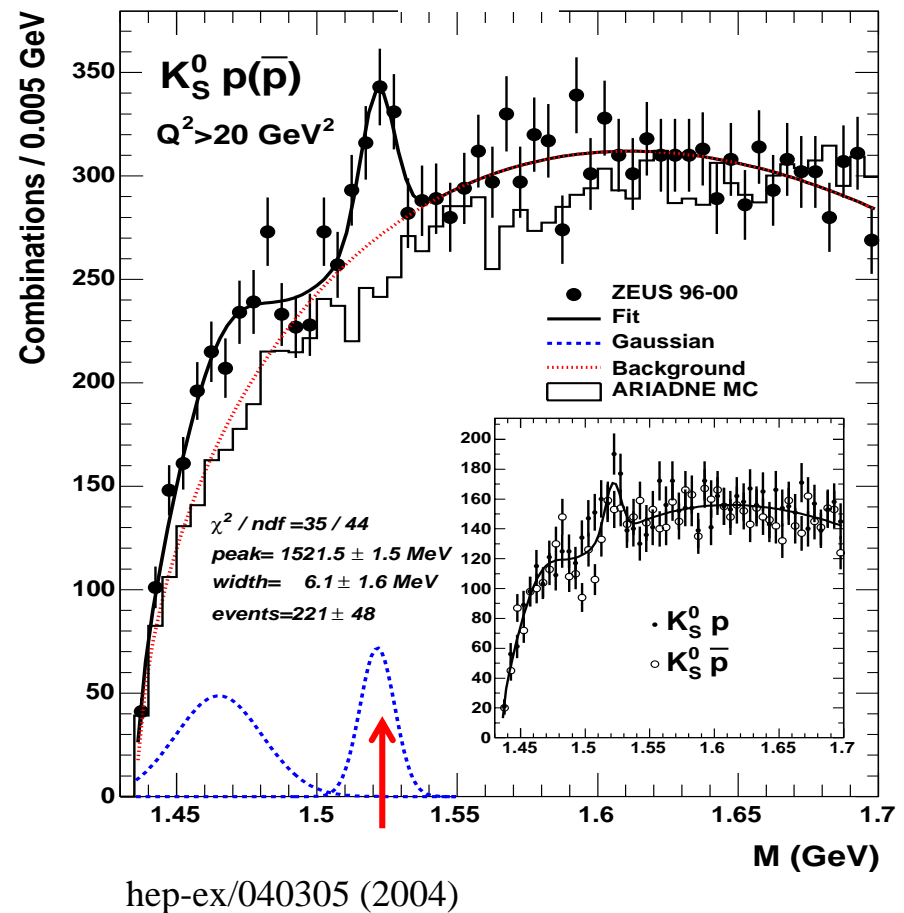


$\Theta^+(1540)$ as seen with e.m. probes

HERMES/DESY



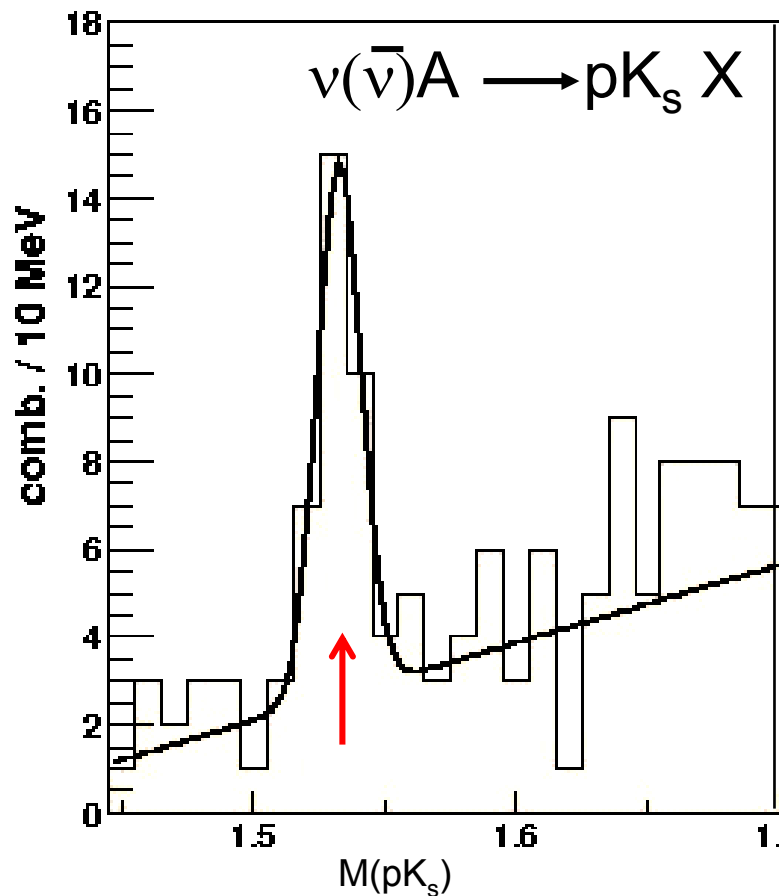
ZEUS/HERA



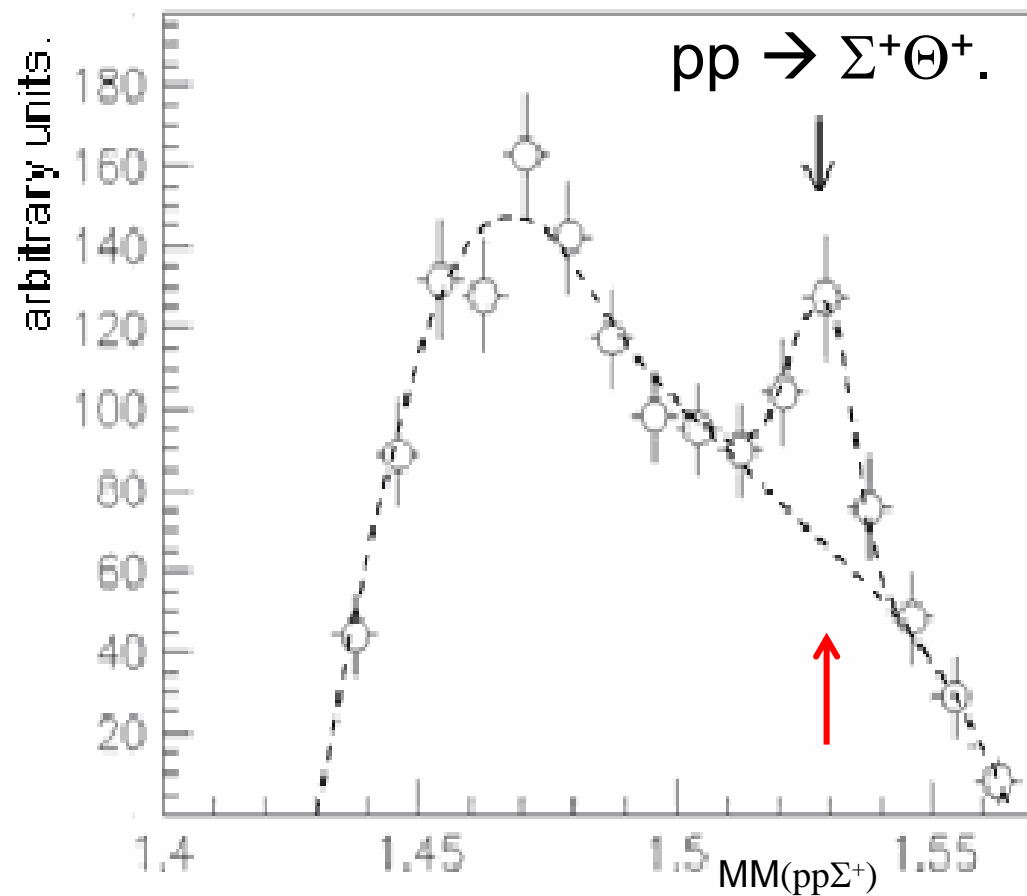
Θ^+ in non-electromagnetic interactions

Phys.A.Nucl.67, 682 (2004)

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hep-ex/0403011 (2004) COSY/TOF

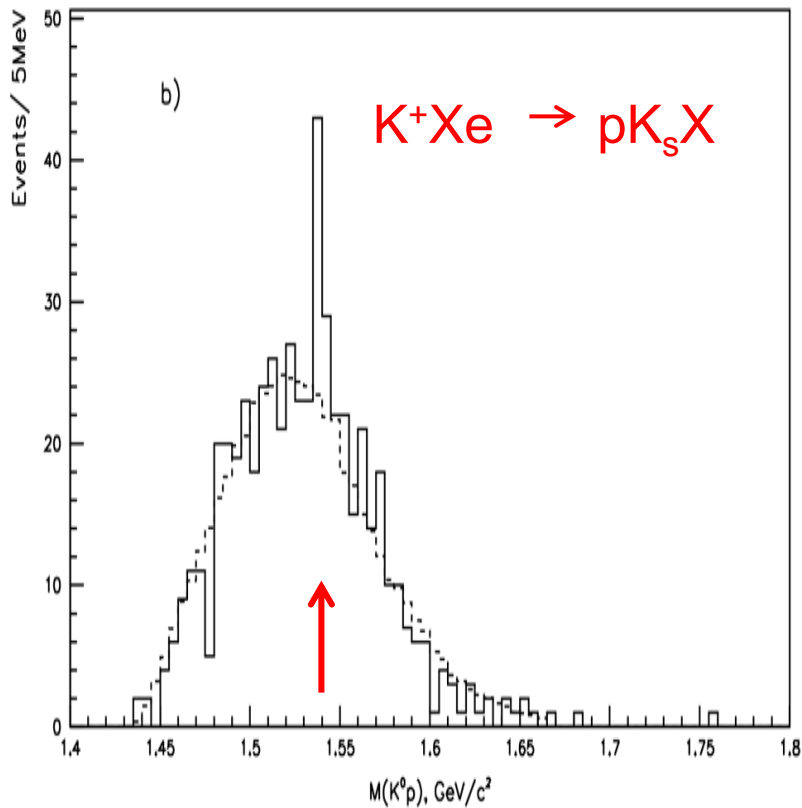


$\Theta^+(1540)$ in hadron-nucleus processes

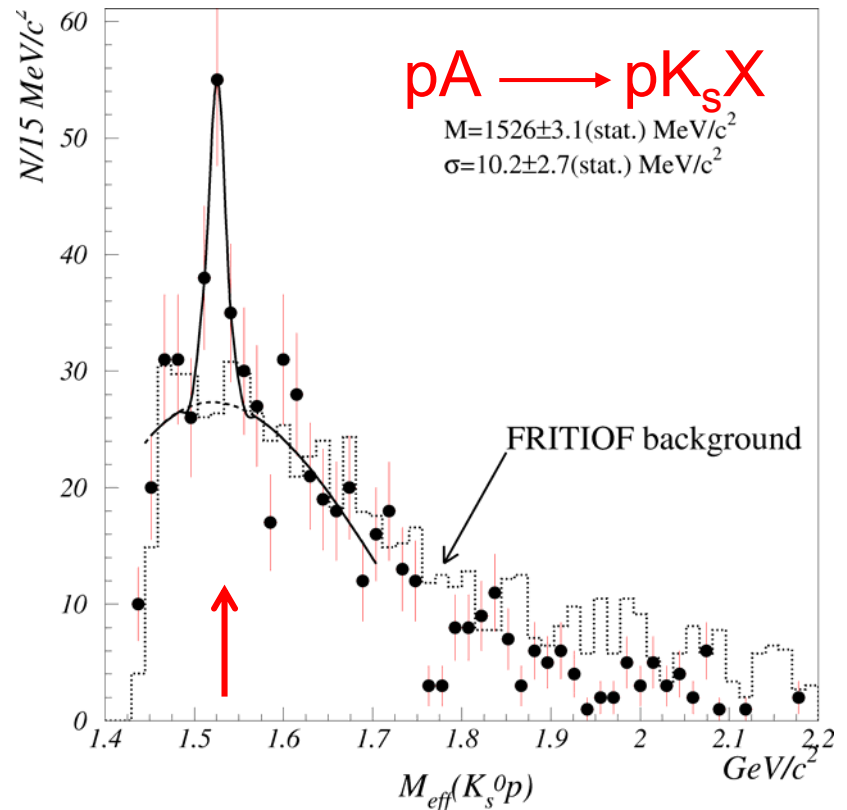
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DIANA

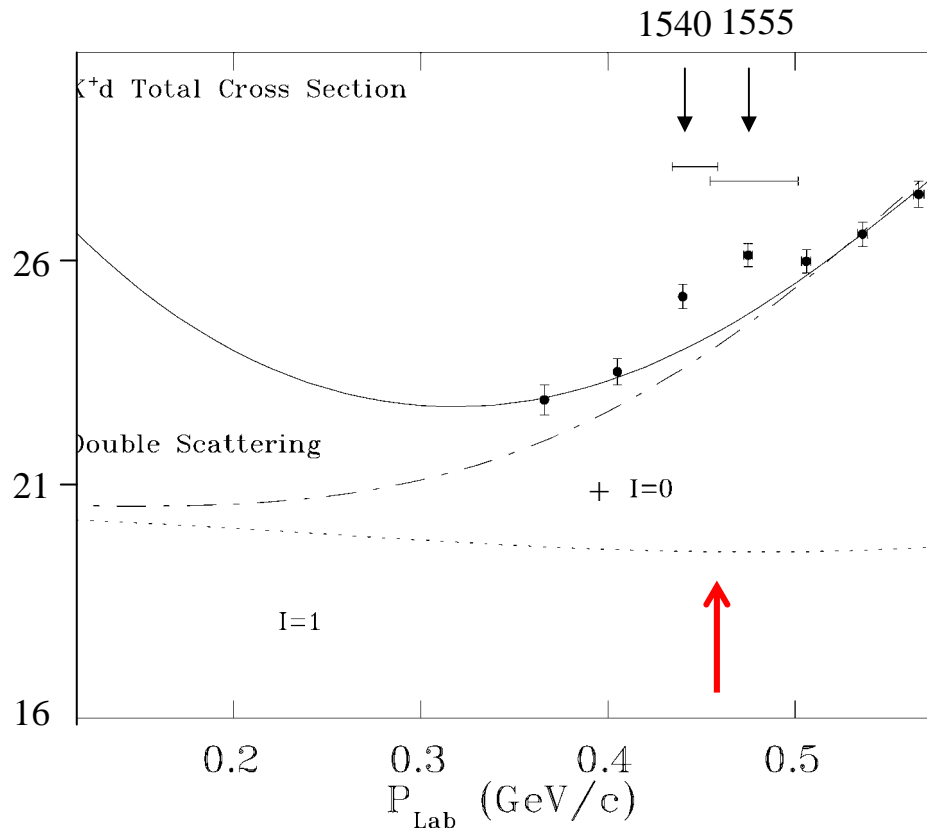


SVD/IHEP



$\Theta^+(1540)$ in K^+d Scattering

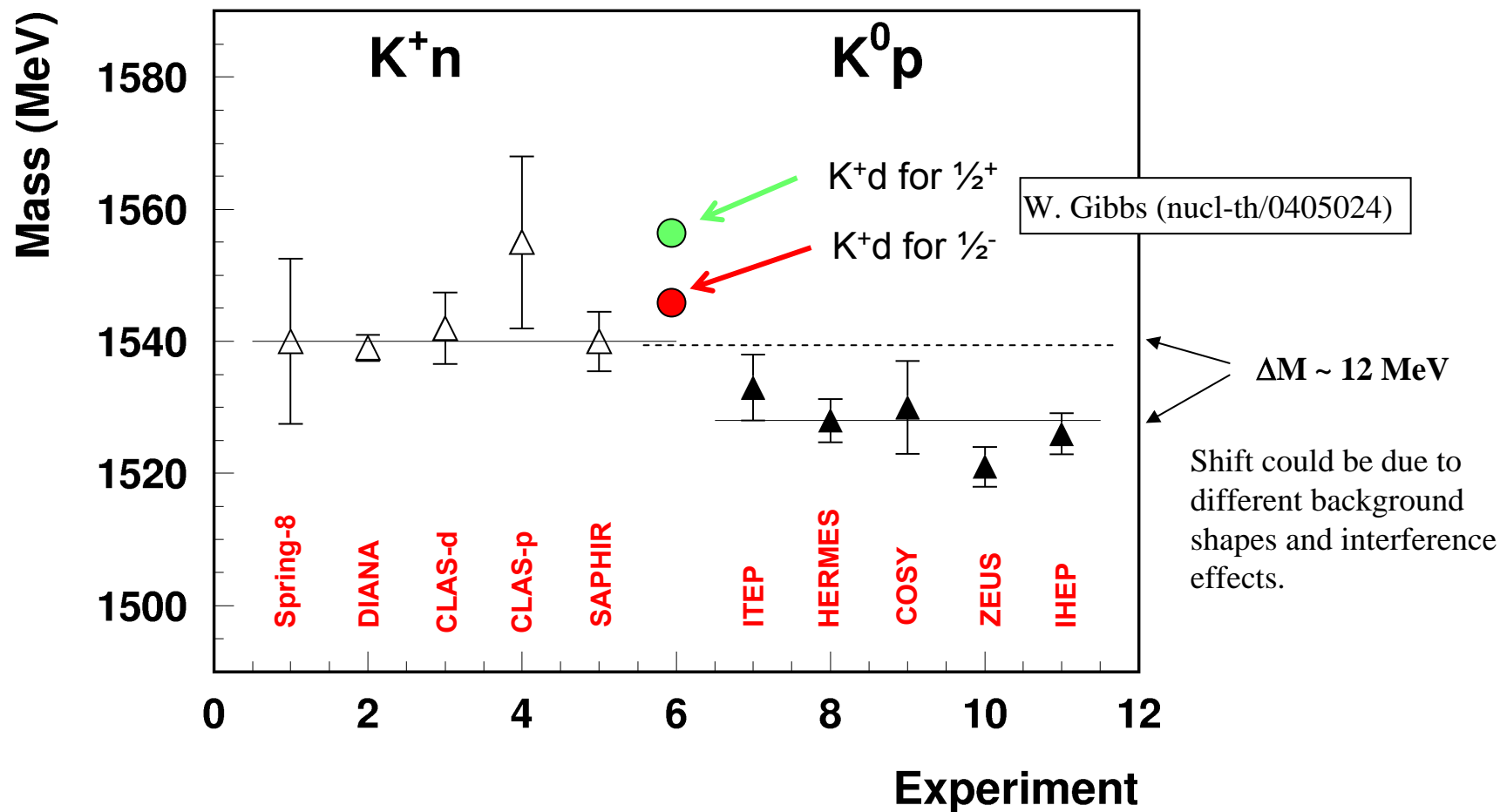
Data from T. Bowen et al. , PRD 2, 2599 (1970)



From: W. Gibbs
nucl-th/0405024 (2004)

Summary of Experimental Masses

$\Theta^+(1540)$ Mass



What do we know about the width of Θ^+ ?

Widths seen in experimental analyses are dominated by resolution effects.
 More precise information is obtained in analyses with theoretical constraints.

HERMES, PLB585, 213 (2004)

S. Nussinov et al., hep-ph/0307357

R. Arndt et al., PRC68, 42201 (2003)

R. Cahn and G. Trilling, PRD69, 11401(2004)

A. Sibirtsev, et al., hep-ph/0405099 (2004)

$$\Gamma_{\Theta} = 17 \pm 9 \pm 3 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Gamma_{\Theta} < 6 \text{ MeV} \quad (\text{non-observation})$$

$$\Gamma_{\Theta} < 1 \text{ MeV} \quad (\text{non-observation})$$

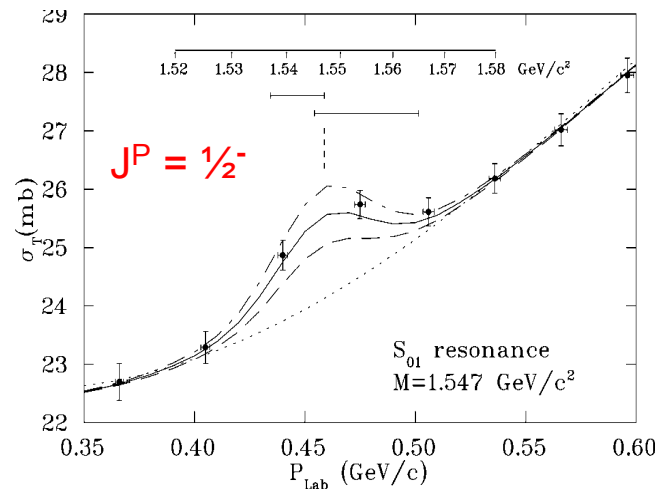
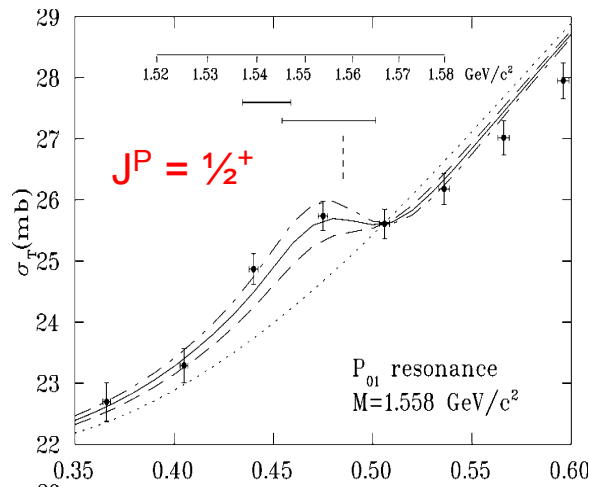
$$\Gamma_{\Theta} = 0.9 \pm 0.3 \text{ MeV} \quad (\text{from DIANA results})$$

$$\Gamma_{\Theta} < 1 \text{ MeV} \quad (K^+d \rightarrow K^0pp)$$

First positive identification of Θ^+ in K^+d , including double scattering.

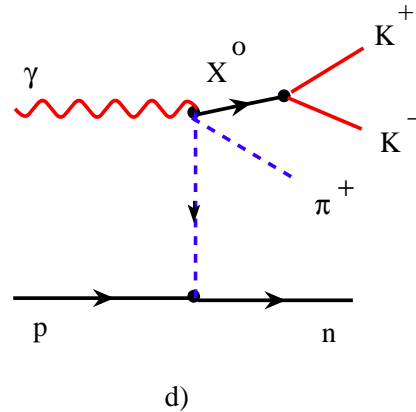
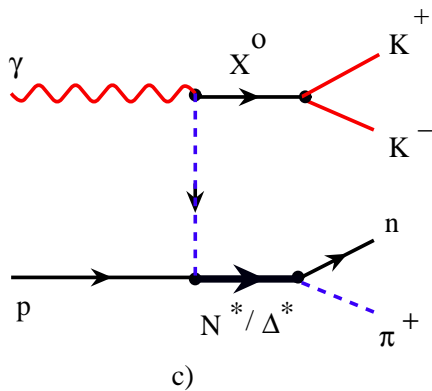
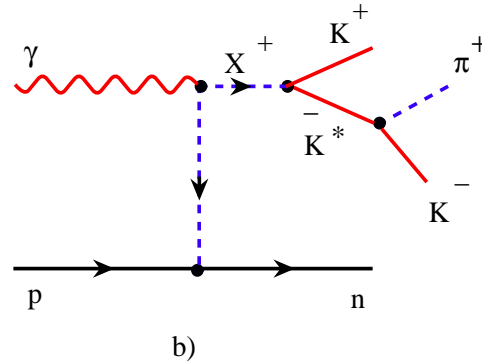
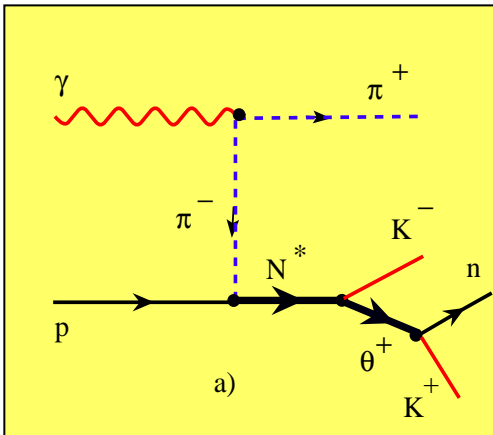
W. Gibbs, nucl-th/0405024 (2004)

$$\Gamma_{\Theta} = 0.9 \pm 0.2 \text{ MeV} \quad (K^+d \rightarrow X)$$



Θ^+ - Production mechanism on hydrogen

Possible production mechanism



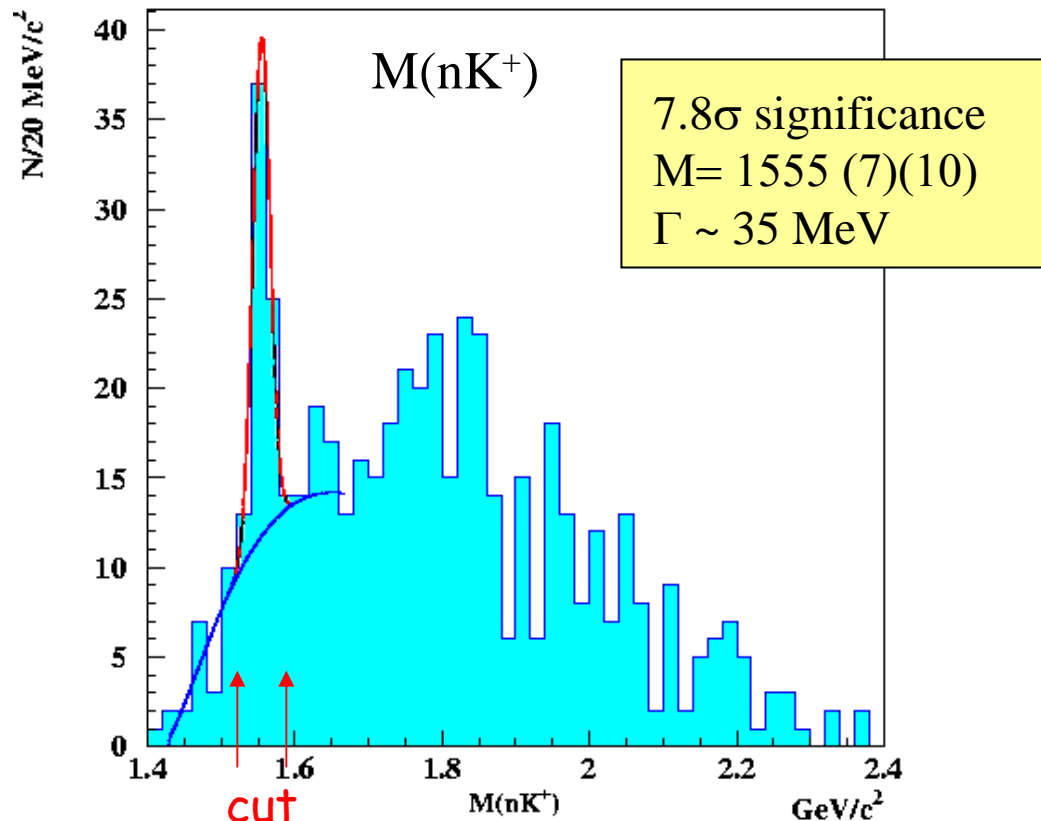
- Select t -channel process by tagging forward π^+ and reducing K^+ from t channel processes

- $\cos\theta_{\pi^+}^* > 0.8$
- $\cos\theta_{K^+}^* < 0.6$

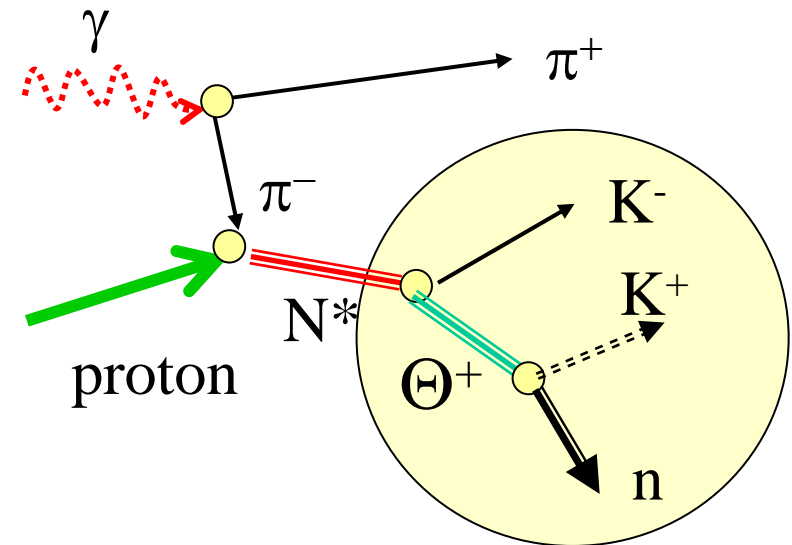
(in c.m. frame)

CLAS - Θ^+ production mechanism?

$E_\gamma = 3 - 5.4 \text{ GeV}$

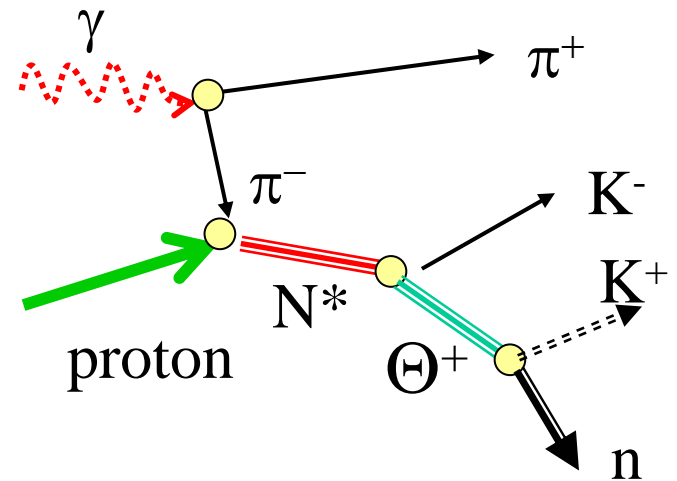
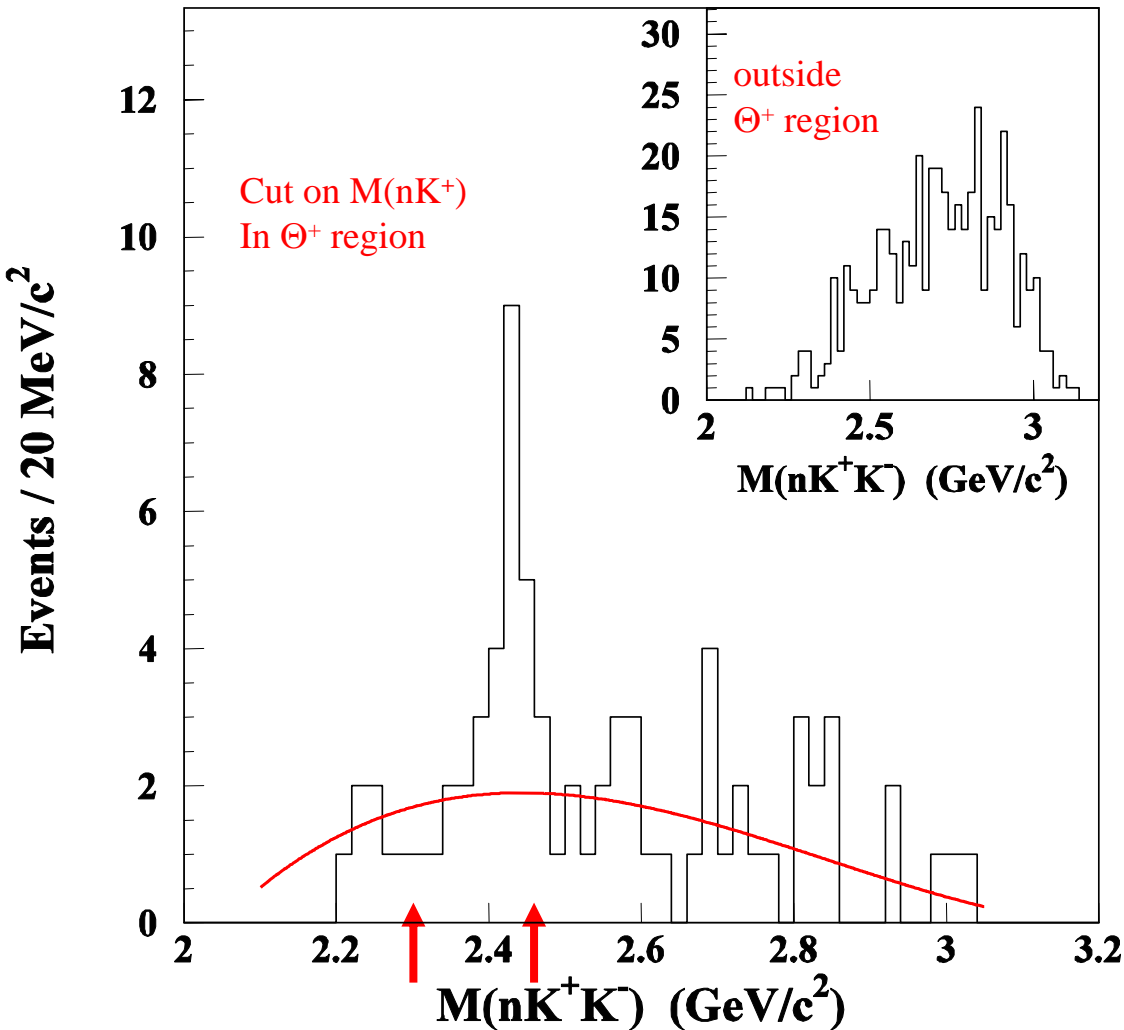


- Θ^+ production through N^* resonance decays?



- Cut on Θ^+ mass, and plot $M(nK^+K^-)$

CLAS - $\Theta^+(1540)$ and N^* ?



- What do π^-p scattering data say?
- π^-p cross section data in PDG have a gap in the mass range 2.3–2.43 GeV.

NA49 – Θ^+ through N^* excitations ?

pp collisions at $E_{CM} = 17.2$ GeV

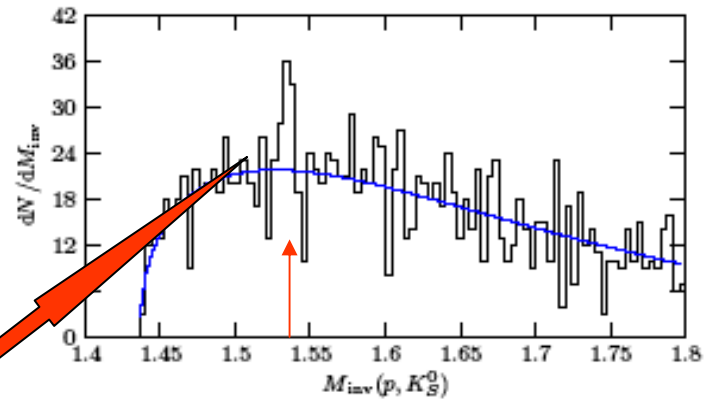
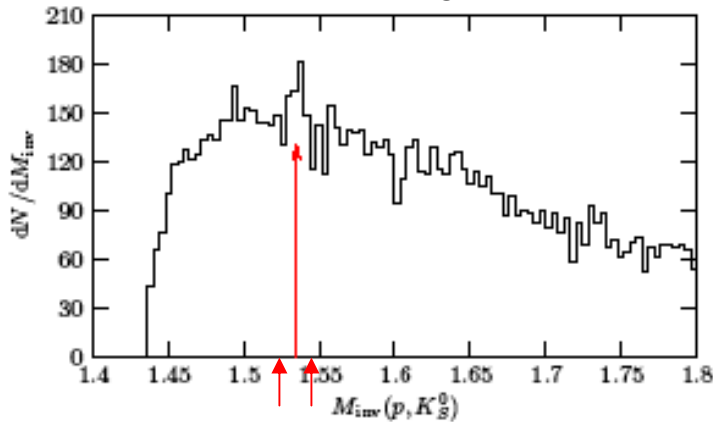
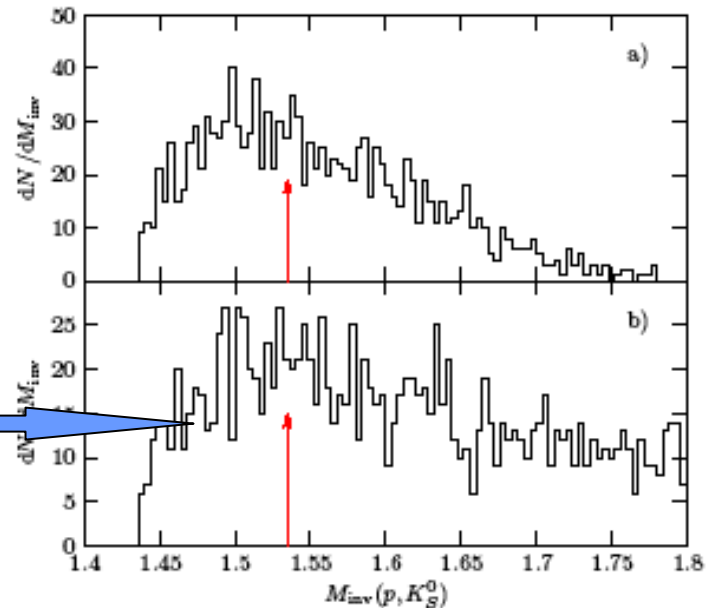
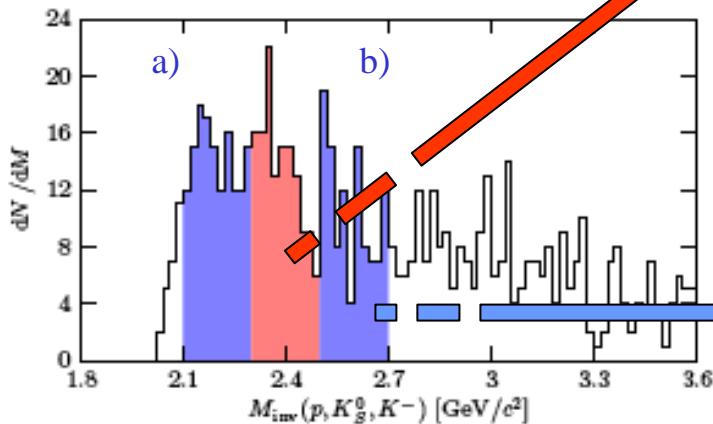


Figure 2: Invariant mass distribution of pK_S^0 pairs in the presence of a K^-



$M(pK^0K^-)$, if $1.525 < M(pK^0) < 1.545$ GeV

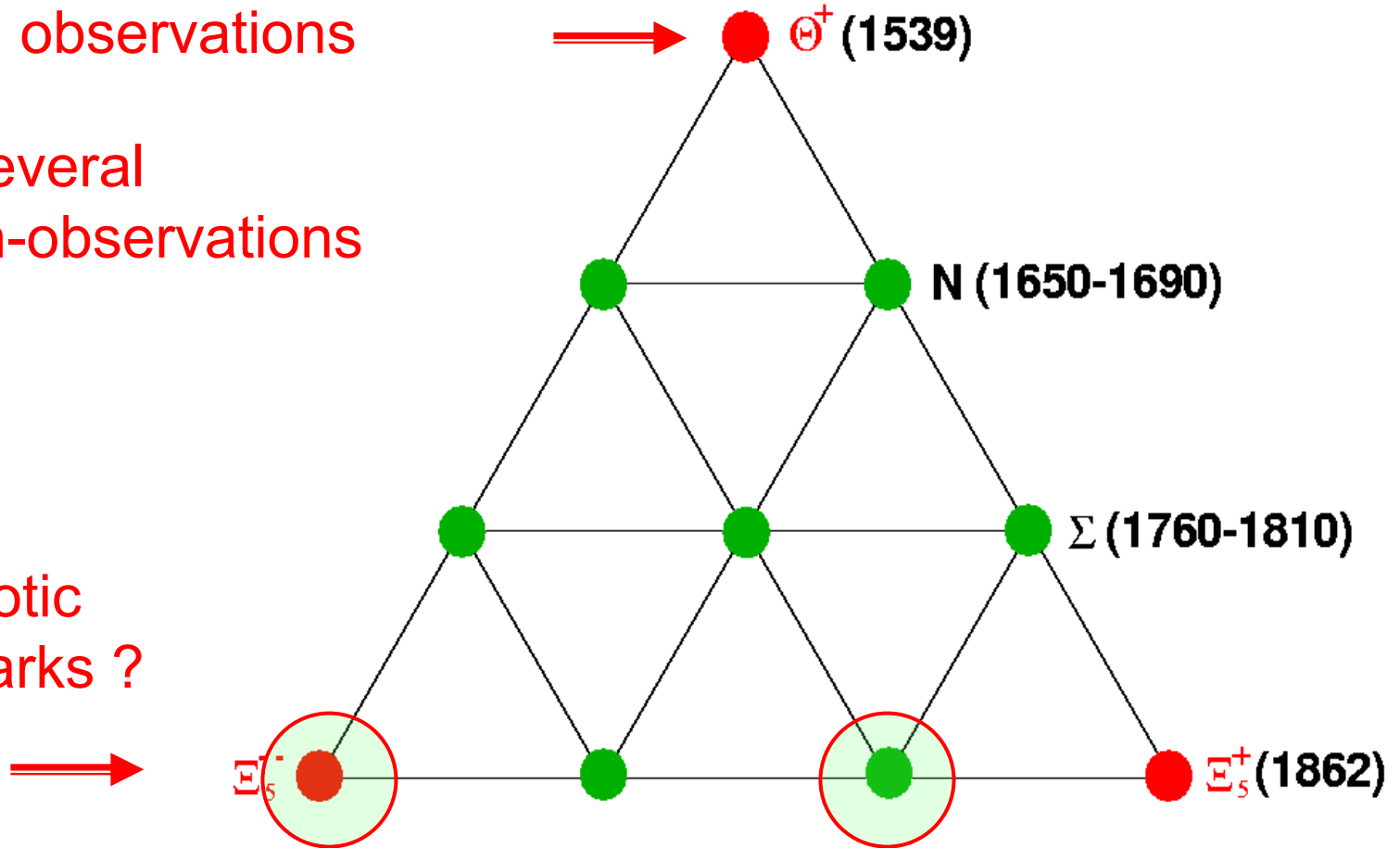
Negative Θ^+ Searches

- HERA-B (hep-ex/0403020):
 - reaction: pA at 920 GeV
 - measured: K^-p and K^0p invariant mass
 - signal for $\Lambda(1520)$, no signal for Θ^+
- BES (hep-ex/0402012):
 - reaction: $e^+e^- \rightarrow J/\psi \rightarrow \Theta^+\bar{\Theta}^-$
 - limit on B.R. of $\sim 10^{-5}$ (low sensitivity, negative result was expected)
- C. Pinkenburg (PHENIX) (nucl-ex/0404001):
 - reaction: $Au + Au \rightarrow \bar{n}K^-X$ (large combinatorial background)
 - See signal first, then not, unclear what changed.

Search for Ξ_5 Pentaquark states

- 11 observations
- Several non-observations

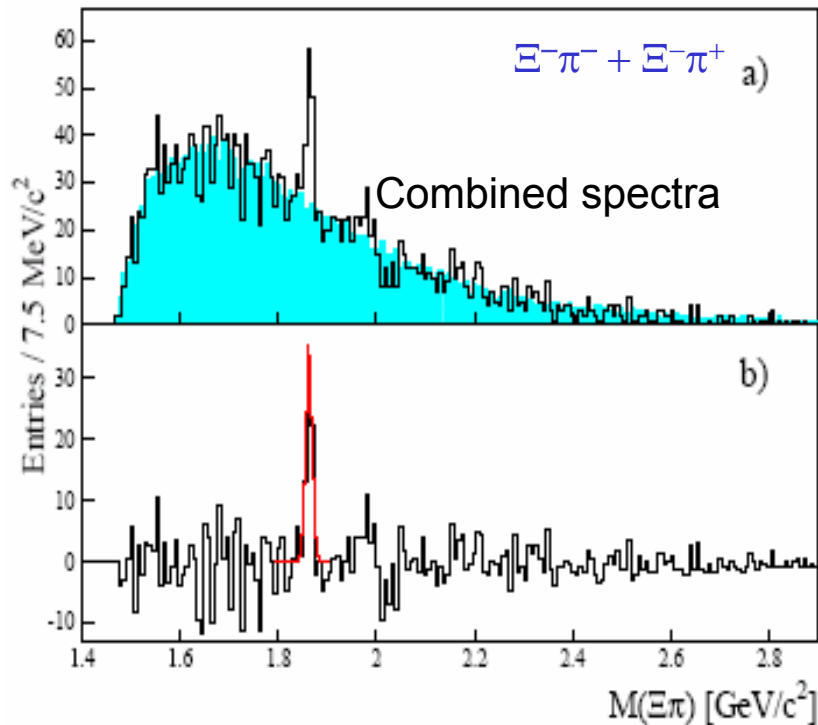
Other exotic Pentaquarks ?



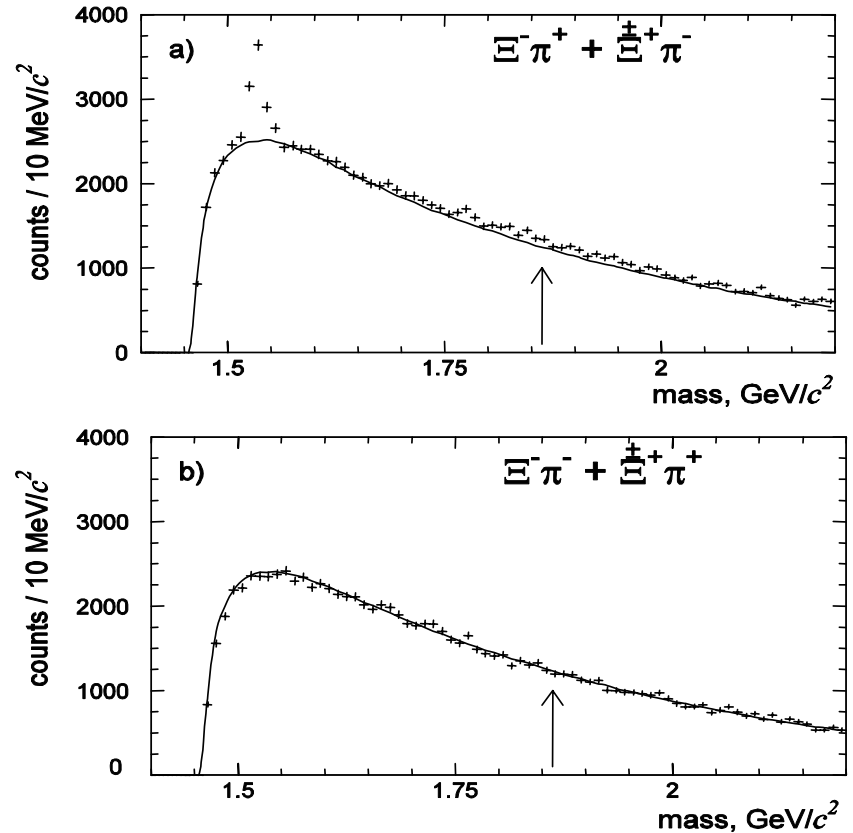
Search for Ξ_5^{--}, Ξ^0

NA49 pp $E_{\text{cm}} = 17.2 \text{ GeV}$

$M = 1.862 \pm 0.002 \text{ GeV}$ $\Gamma < 0.018 \text{ GeV}$



HERA-B p+A 940 GeV/c



C. Alt, et al., Phys.Rev.Lett.92, 042003 (2004)

hep-ex/0403020



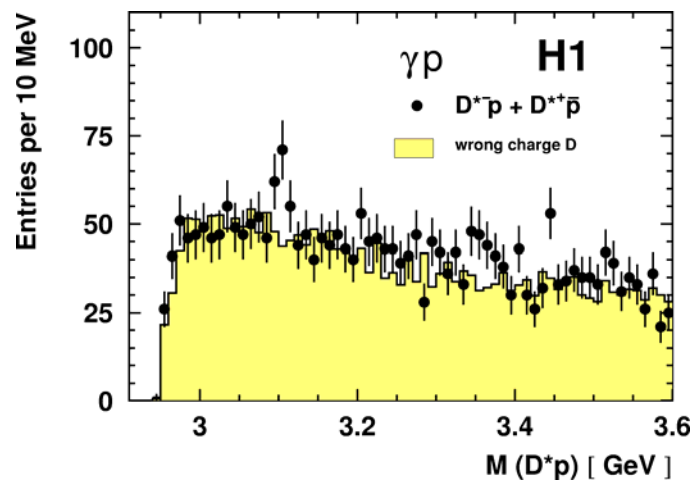
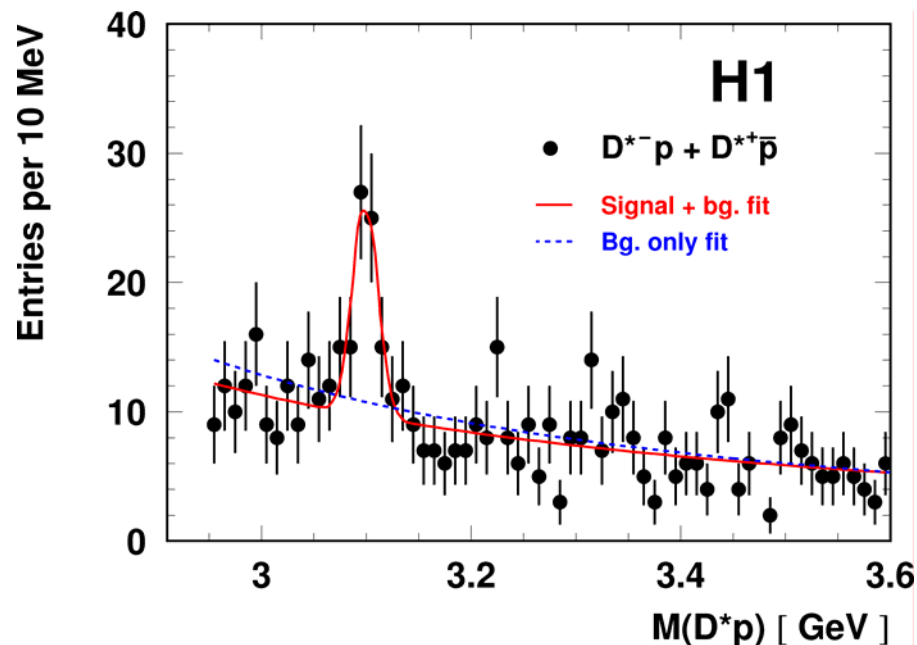
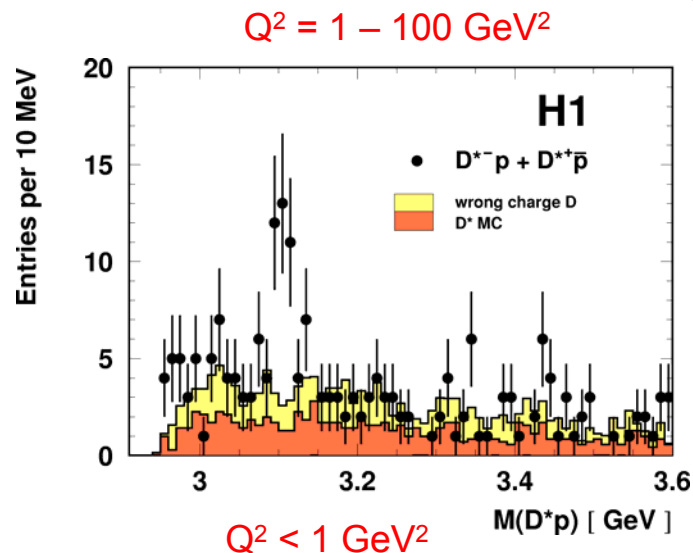
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H1 - A charmed pentaquark $\Theta_c^0(3100)$?

hep-ex/040305 (2004)

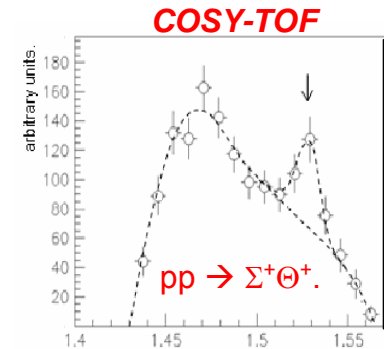
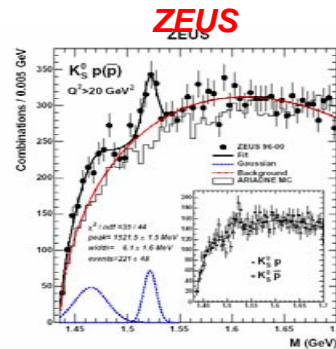
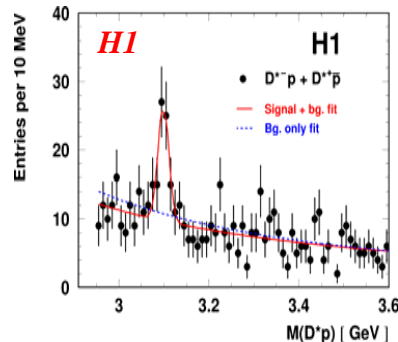
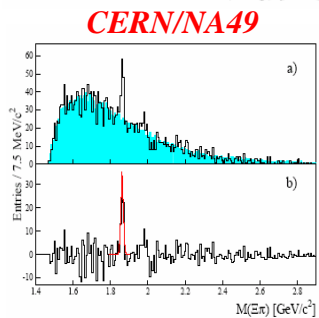
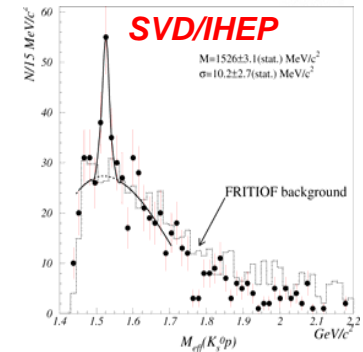
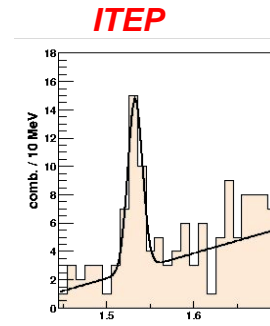
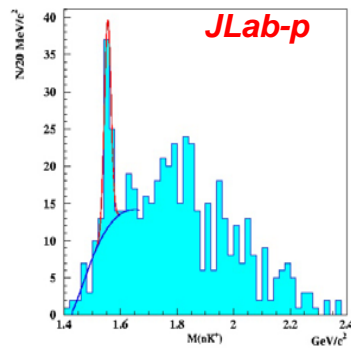
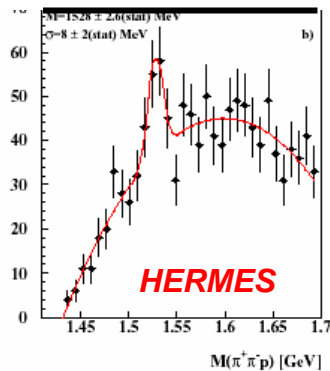
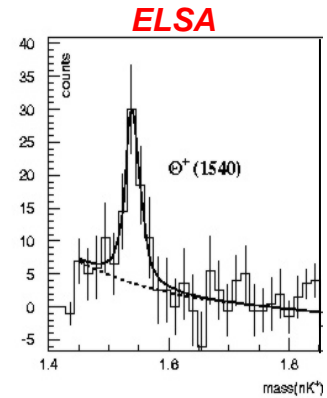
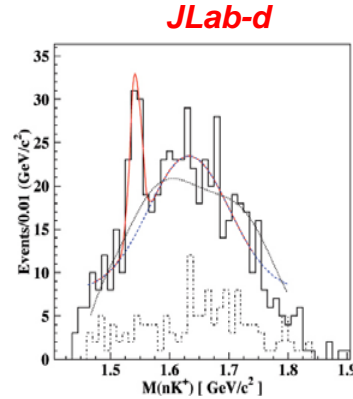
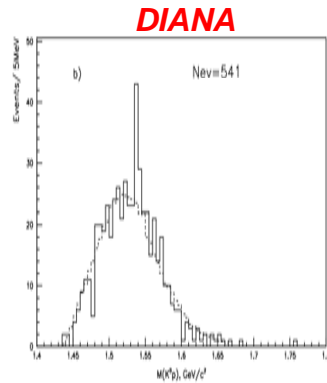
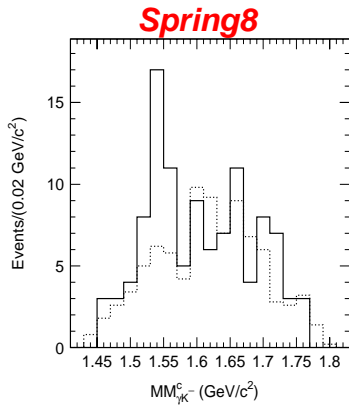


$$M = (3099 \pm 3 \pm 5) \text{ MeV}$$

Minimal quark content: $uudd\bar{c}$

Yet to be confirmed!

Evidence for Penta-Quark States



Theory Response to the Pentaquark

- Chiral soliton $P=+$
- Kaon-Skyrmion $P=+$
- $(qq)^2-q$ $P=+$ or $P=-$
- Kaon-nucleon resonance
- Super radiance resonance
- QCD sum rules
- Lattice QCD $P=-$, or find no signal
- Higher exotic baryon multiplets
- Pentaquarks in string dynamics
- $P_{11}(1440)$ as pentaquark
- $P_{11}(1710)$ as pentaquark
- Θ^+ as isotensor pentaquark
- Topological soliton
- $\Theta^+(1540)$ as a heptaquark
- Exotic baryons in the large N_c limit
- Anti-charmed Θ_c^0 and anti-beauty Θ_b^+
- Θ^+ and $\bar{\Theta}^+$ produced in quark-gluon plasma
- Instantons and diquark clustering
- Triquark-diquark cluster model
- Pentaquarks and radially excited baryons
- Peanut-shaped quark-diquark model
- Pentaquarks in the color-flavor-locking superconducting phase
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More than 220 papers
since July 1, 2003.



PentaQuark 2003 Workshop

The first **Topical Workshop PentaQuark 2003** held at JLab,
November 7-9, 2003

- Organized on a very short time scale of 3 months
- 117 registered participants (expected 35)
- Generated ideas for new experiments to study Θ^+ properties, such as spin, parity
- Initiated new proposals for the search of excited states Θ^{*+} , Θ^{*++} , and exotic Ξ pentaquark baryons

→ [Article in CERN Courier, April 2004](#)

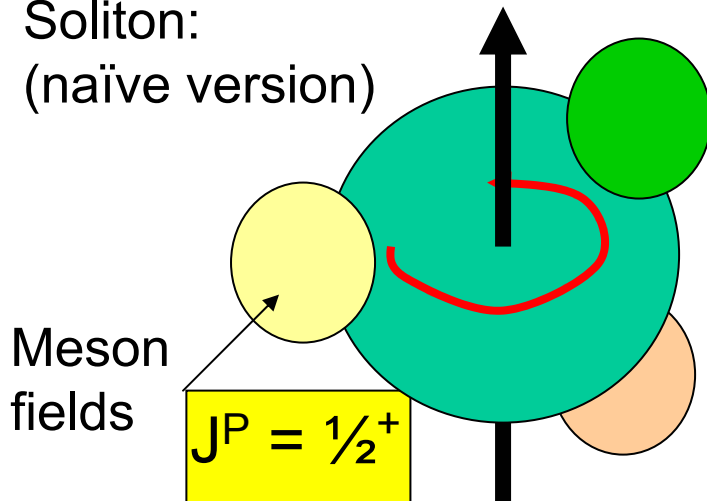


Pentaquarks – three model descriptions

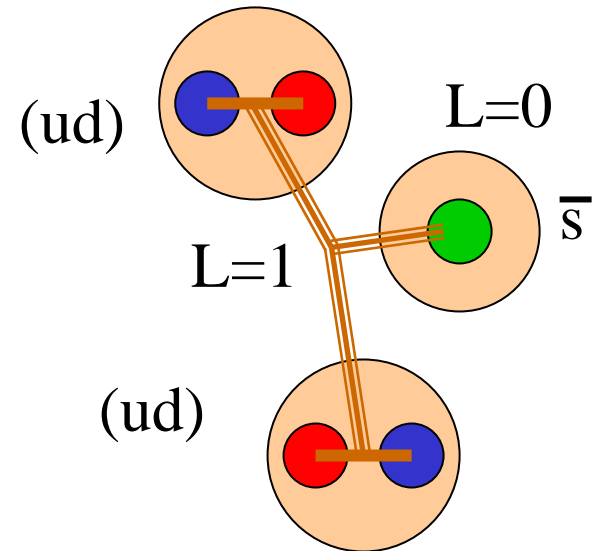
Chiral soliton model: (Diakonov, Petrov, Polyakov)

'Pentaquark' comes out naturally from these models. They represent rotational excitations of the soliton [rigid core (q^3) surrounded by meson fields ($\bar{q}q$)]

Soliton:
(naïve version)



Quark description (Jaffe, Wilczek)



$L=1$, one unit of orbital angular momentum needed to obtain

$J^P = 1/2^+$ as in the χ SM

Q-LQCD:

$J^P = 1/2^-$

Search for excited states of the $\Theta^+(1540)$

- Spin-flavor partners, $T = 1$, $J^P = 3/2^+$, to the Θ^+ are predicted at masses slightly higher than the Θ^+ .

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|------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Skyrme-soliton model Borisjuk et al. hep-ph/0307370 | $\Delta M(3/2-1/2) \sim 55 \text{ MeV}$ | |
| Constituent quark model Dudek and Close hep-ph/0311258 | $\Delta M(3/2-1/2) \sim 40 \text{ MeV}$ | Jaffe and Wilczek hep-ph/0307341 |
| | $\Delta M(3/2-1/2) \sim 35-65 \text{ MeV}$ | Karliner and Lipkin hep-ph/0307243 |

A Program for Pentaquark Spectroscopy

- High statistics confirmations for the Θ^+ urgently needed

- Solving the issues of the $\Theta^+(1540)$ properties

- mass to < 2 MeV

- spin $\frac{1}{2}$, isospin

- parity

- natural width of the Θ^+ ?

If $>$ few MeV

- production mechanism

May be addressed at JLab

- Are there excited states of the $\Theta^+(1540)$, $I = 1$, $J = 3/2$?

- How are pentaquark states related to N^* states?

- Do N^* couple to Θ^+ ?

- If so, are these 5-quark or 7-quark N^* ?

Theory input needed

- Where are the other exotic members of the decuplet Ξ_5^- , Ξ_5^+ ? NA49 results yet to be confirmed!

- Where are the non-exotic pentaquarks, N^* 's, Σ 's?



Pentaquark Searches at JLab

- ✓ JLab is well positioned to address many of these issues
- PAC24 approved search for Θ^+ on deuterium
 - G10 run - $\gamma D \rightarrow K^- K^+ p(n)$ (data taking completed)

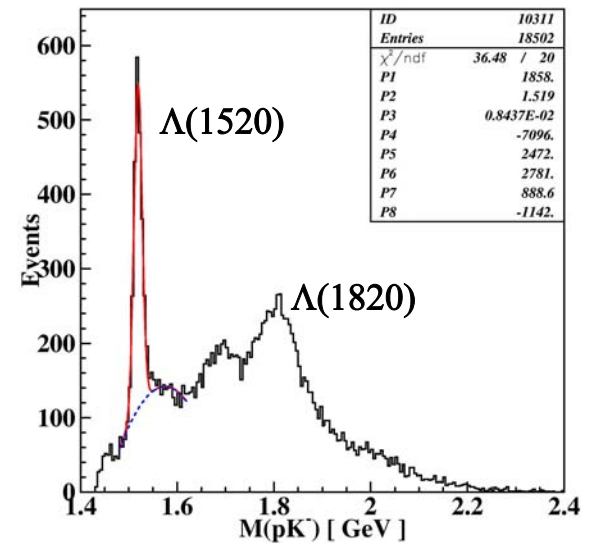
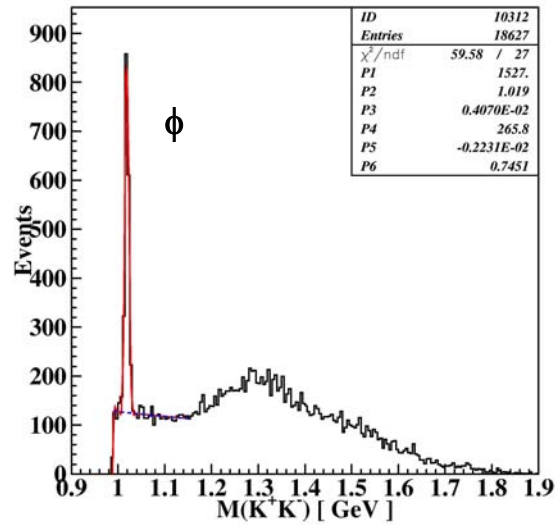
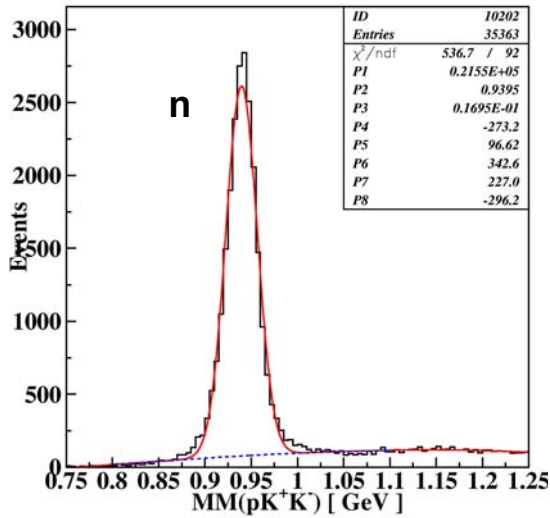
Major program approved by PAC25 to search for pentaquark states

- CLAS - Search for Θ^+ , Θ^{*+} , Θ^{*++}
 - G11 run $\gamma p \rightarrow$ various final states (running)
- Hall A - Search for Θ^{*++} , Σ_5^0
 - E04-012 $ep \rightarrow eK^- X^{++}$, $eK^+ X^0$ (data taking completed)
- CLAS – Search for Ξ pentaquarks
 - EG3 run $eD \rightarrow \Xi_5^-, \Xi_5^- X$ (scheduled for 2004/5)
- CLAS - Exotic hadron spectroscopy (to run in 2005/6)
 - G12 run γp at 6 GeV, high luminosity

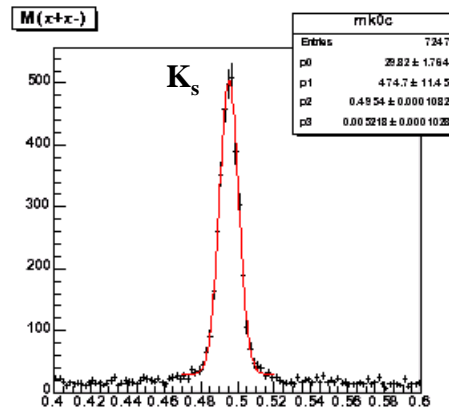


CLAS - G10 "online" plots

Fully exclusive processes: $\gamma d \rightarrow K^- p K^+ n$



$\gamma d \rightarrow K^- p K_s^0 (\pi^+ \pi^-) p_{sp}$



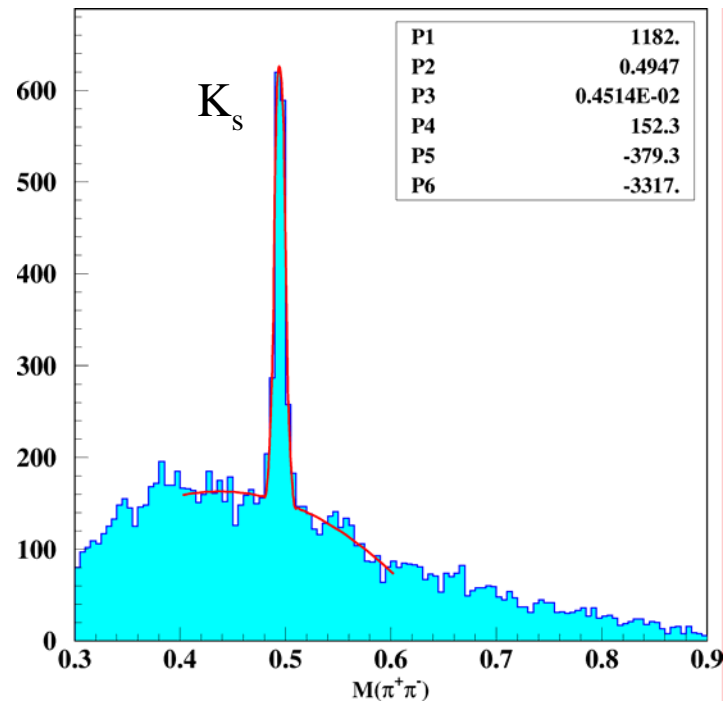
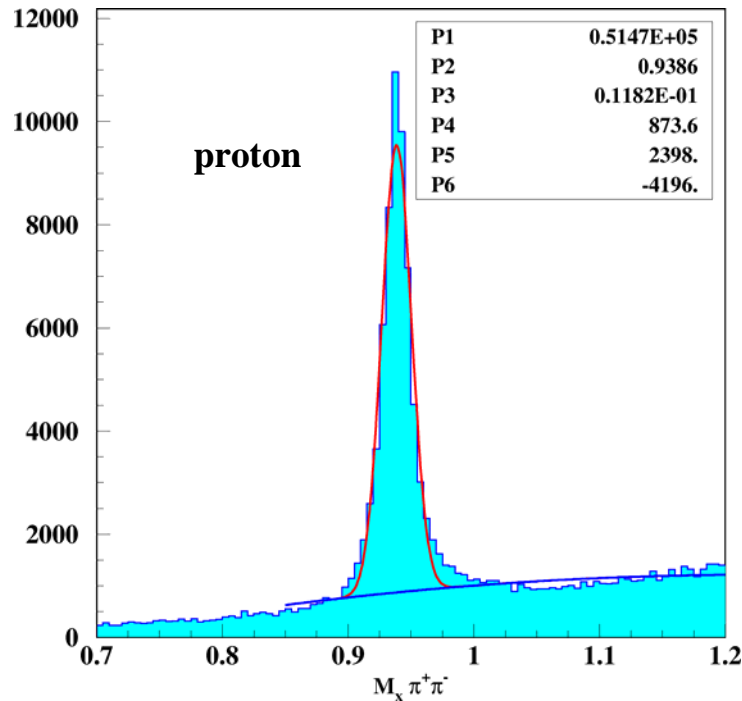
CLAS - G11 “online” plots

$$\gamma p \rightarrow K_s K^+(n); K_s K_s p; K^+ K^- p; K^+ K^- \pi^+(n)$$

$$\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-(p)$$

(calibration reaction)

$$\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- K^+(n)$$



G10, G11 Analysis efforts

□ Analysis teams – G10:

- o Dan Carman (Ohio), Reinhard Schumacher (Carnegie Mellon)
- o Dave Tedeschi, Nathan Baltzell (USC)
- o Ken Livingston, Bryan McKinnon (Glasgow)
- o Michel Guidal, Silvia Niccolai (ORSAY)
- o Patrizia Rossi, Marco Mirazita (INFN, Frascati)
- o Eugene Pasyuk (Arizona), Luminita Todor (Richmond, JLab)
- o Ken Hicks (Ohio), Stepan Stepanyan (JLab)

□ Analysis teams – G11:

- o Marco Battaglieri, Raffaella De Vita (INFN, Genova)
- o Valeri Koubarovski (RPI, JLab), Paul Stoler (RPI)
- o Dennis Weygand (JLab), Lei Guo (JLab),
- o Michael Ostrick (JLab/Bonn), Latifa Elouadrhiri (JLab)

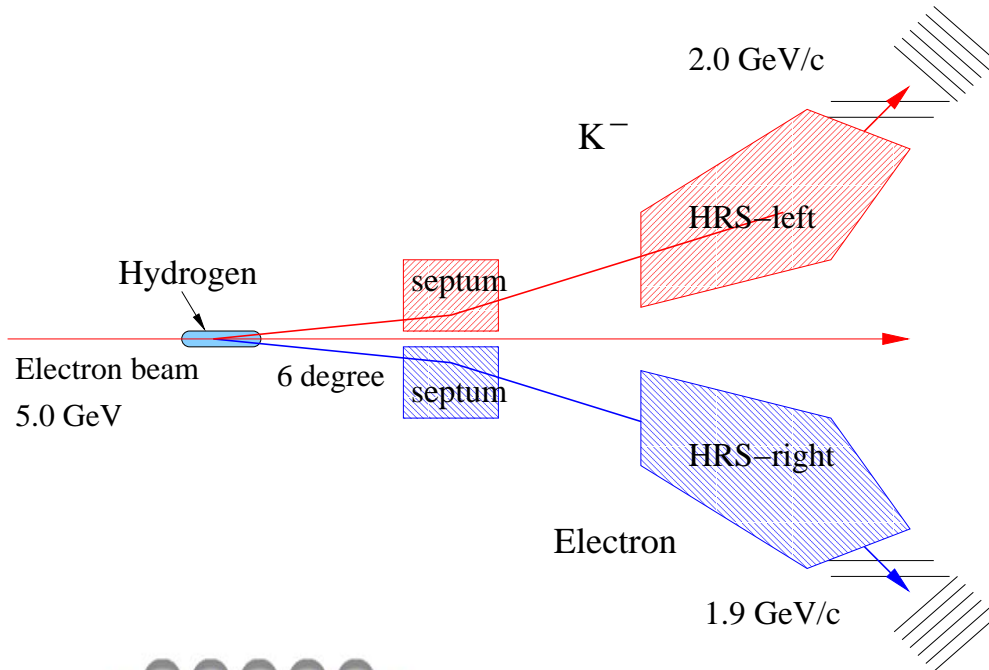
Common rules for all analyses:

1. Fully calibrated detector system
2. Use only selected “golden runs” (fully functioning equipment)
3. Analysis in well defined CLAS fiducial volume
4. Energy and momentum corrections that use independent well-studied channels
5. Analysis without and with kinematical constraints whenever possible
6. Independent analyses by several groups.



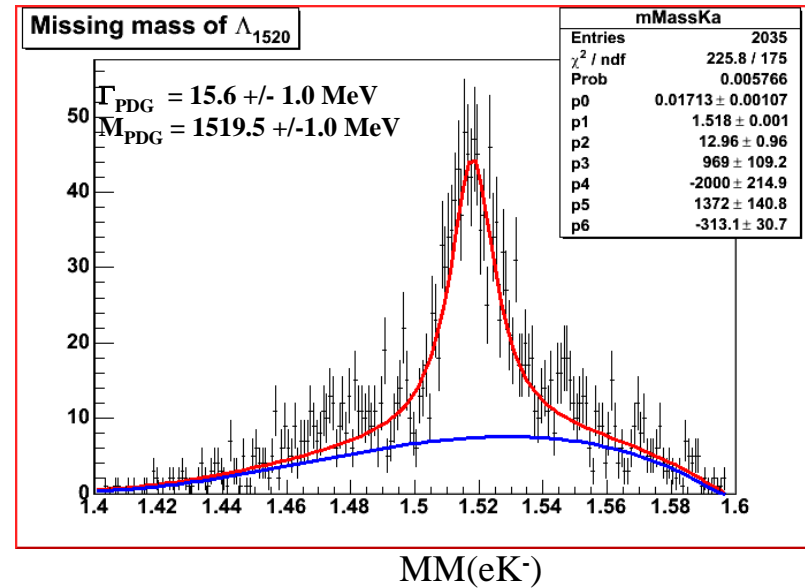
Hall A - Search for Θ^{++} and Σ_5

- Search for Θ^{*++} partners in $ep \Rightarrow e'K^-X^{++}$
 - Mass range: 1540 - 1620 MeV
- Search for Σ_5^0 in $ep \Rightarrow eK^+X^0$
 - Mass range: 1560 - 1860 MeV
- Mass resolution $\delta M \sim 1.75$ MeV



Run is completed

Online-analysis

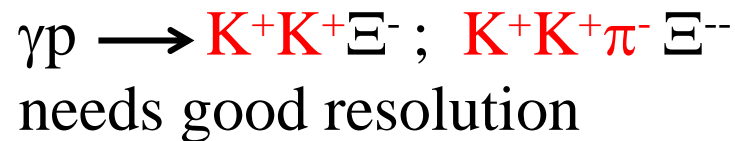


Mass of $\Lambda(1520)$ agrees to < 1.5 MeV with PDG value.

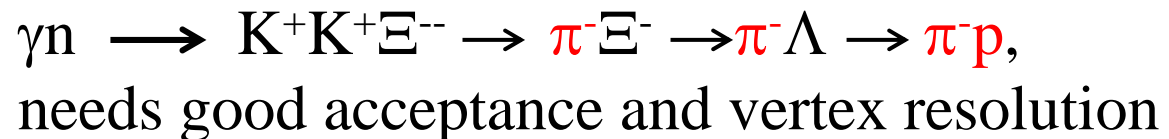
CLAS - Search for Ξ_5 Pentaquark States

The search for narrow Ξ_5 states can be approached in at least two ways:

- Missing mass technique:



- Reconstruction of all decay particles:



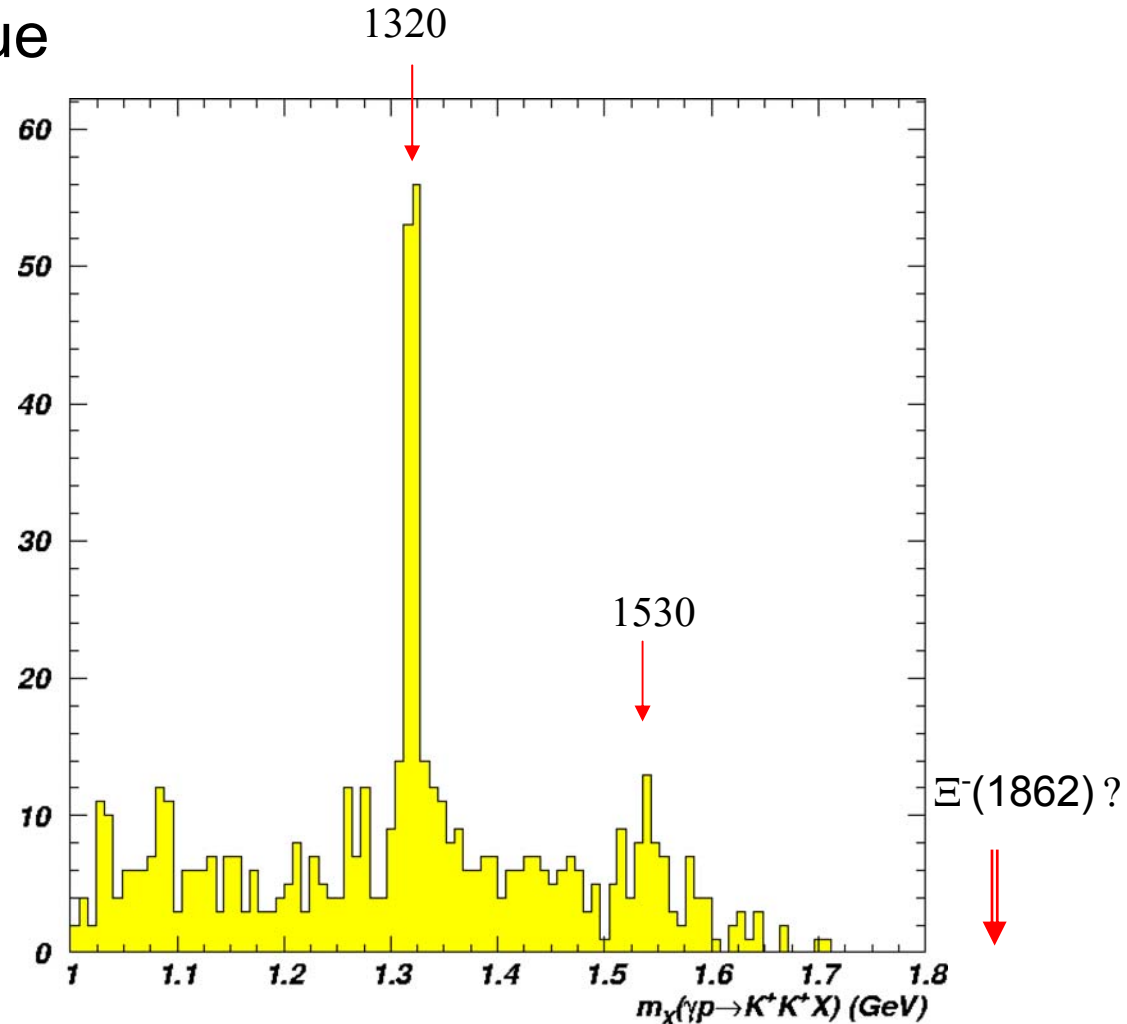
CLAS – Ξ_5 Searches

Missing mass technique

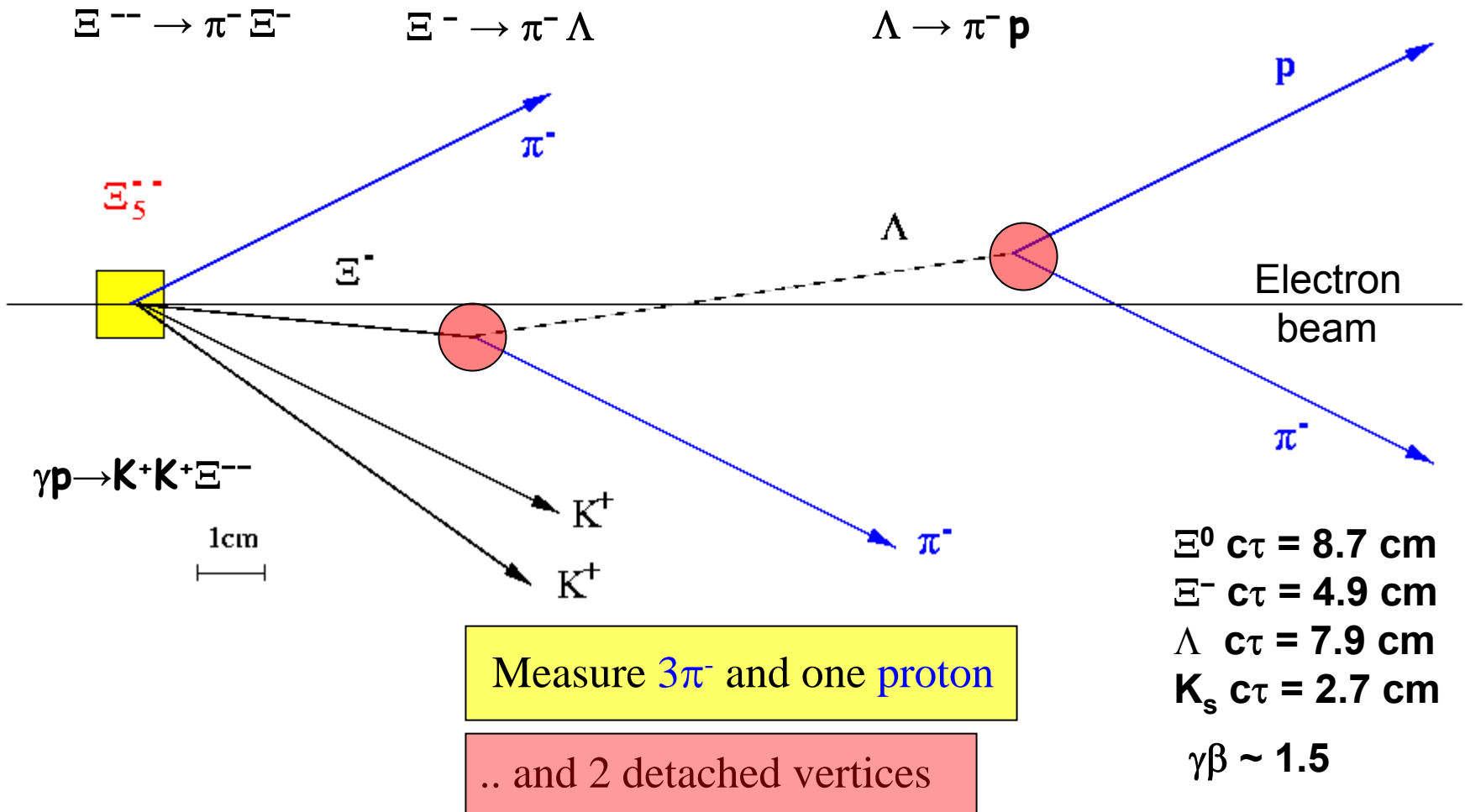
$$\gamma p \rightarrow K^+ K^+ X$$

Data from run at
 $E_\gamma < 3.8$ GeV

- Good missing mass resolution and low background.
- Needs $E_\gamma > 5$ GeV, new start counter



CLAS – Ξ_5 Searches (approved exp.)



Summary

- The initial evidence for the $\Theta^+(1540)$ pentaquark baryon has generated much excitement and a wide range of theoretical and experimental activities to understand this possible new form of quark matter.
- Jefferson Lab is in the unique position to explore the nature of the observed and predicted states with precise and high statistics experiments.
- The approved experimental program at JLab (110 PAC days Hall B, 7 days Hall A) is expected to provide definitive answers as to the existence and properties of the $\Theta^+(1540)$ and possible excited states in different spin and charge configurations.
 - two experiments at 37 PAC days completed,
 - one experiment at 25 days underway,
 - one experiment at 20 days scheduled for 12/04-01/05,
 - one experiment at 35 days to run in 2005/06

