

Recent SELEX Results on the Properties of Charmed Hadrons

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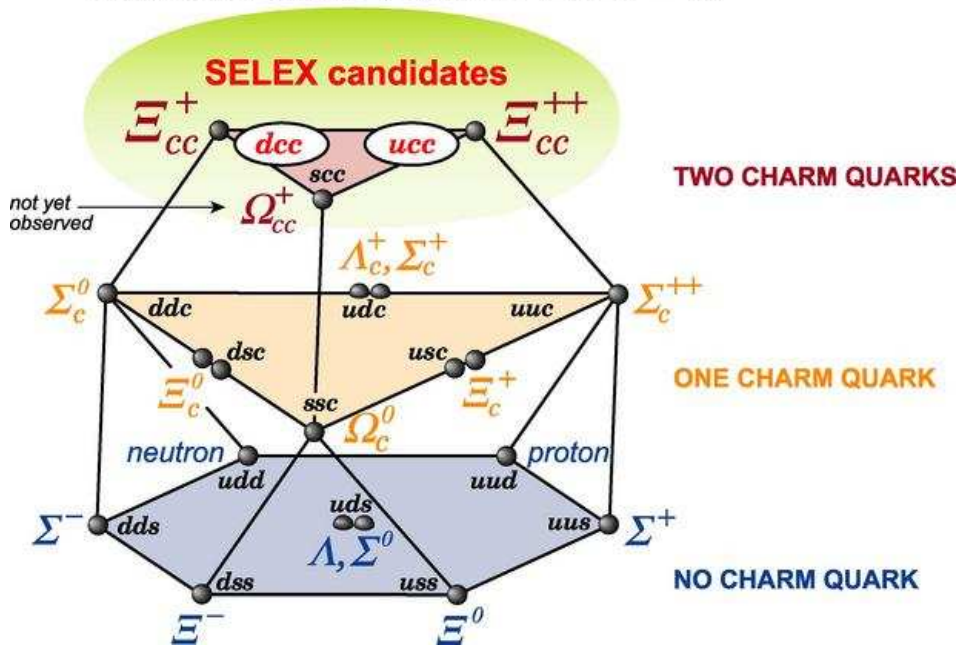
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Introduction

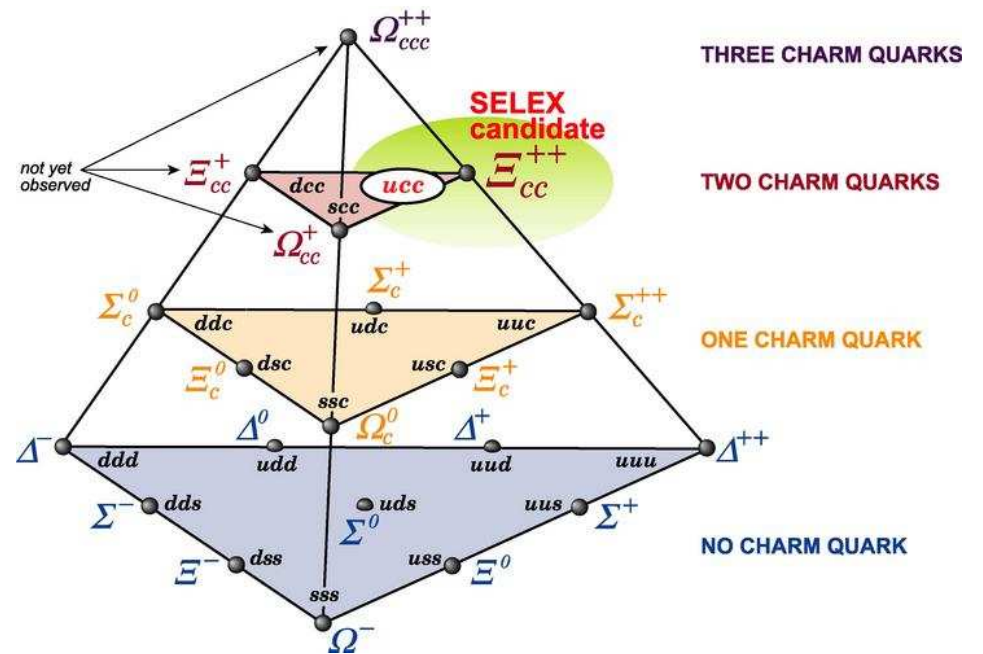
- Mesons consist of 2 valence quarks
- Baryons consist of 3 valence quarks
- 4, 5, and 6 quark systems not yet unambiguously confirmed
- there are 6 different types of quarks
- only 5 of them form hadrons.

- A lot of possible baryons states
- All ground states, first excited states with one charm quark observed:
 Mesons: $D^0 (c\bar{u})$, $D^+ (c\bar{d})$, $D_s^+ (c\bar{s})$, Ψ
 Baryons (cqq): Λ_c^+ , Σ_c^0 , Σ_c^+ , Σ_c^{++}
 Baryons (csq): Ξ_c^0 , Ξ_c^+ , $\Xi_c^{\prime 0}$, $\Xi_c^{\prime +}$
 Baryon (css): Ω_c^0

BARYONS WITH LOWEST SPIN ($J = 1/2$)



BARYONS WITH HIGHEST SPIN ($J = 3/2$)



Model Predictions for Doubly Charmed Baryon Masses

author	year	model	$\Xi_{cc}(J = 3/2)$	$\Xi_{cc}(J = 1/2)$
Bjorken	1986	phenom	3.70 GeV/c ²	3.64 GeV/c ²
Fleck & Richard	1989	bag	3.636	3.516
Fleck & Richard	1989	quarkonium	3.741	3.613
Roncaglia et al.	1995	Feynmann/Hellman	3.81	3.66
Ellis	2002	phenom	3.711	3.651

- ground states near 3.6 GeV/c²
- ground states Isospin=1/2 multiplets degenerate
- Hyperfine splitting around 60 – 120 MeV/c²
- Most predict electromagnetic hyperfine transition (but some pionic)
- Model dependent predictions for orbital and radial excitations
- Some Models: Light Quark excitation characteristics similar to heavy-light meson spectra (heavy (cc) diquark)

Production

- Basically no models (except independent production)
- Expect small production cross section
- But why not look anyway??

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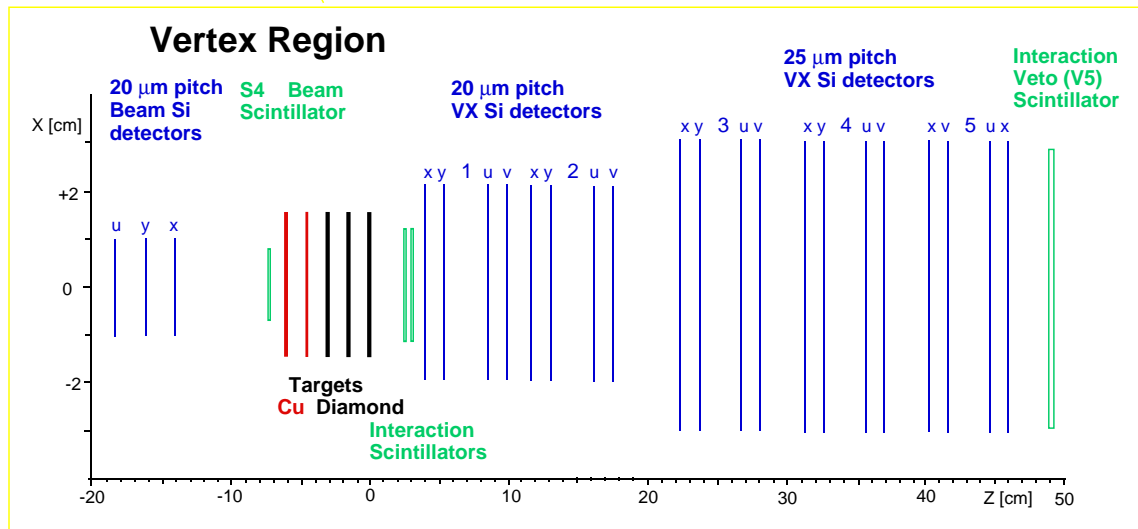
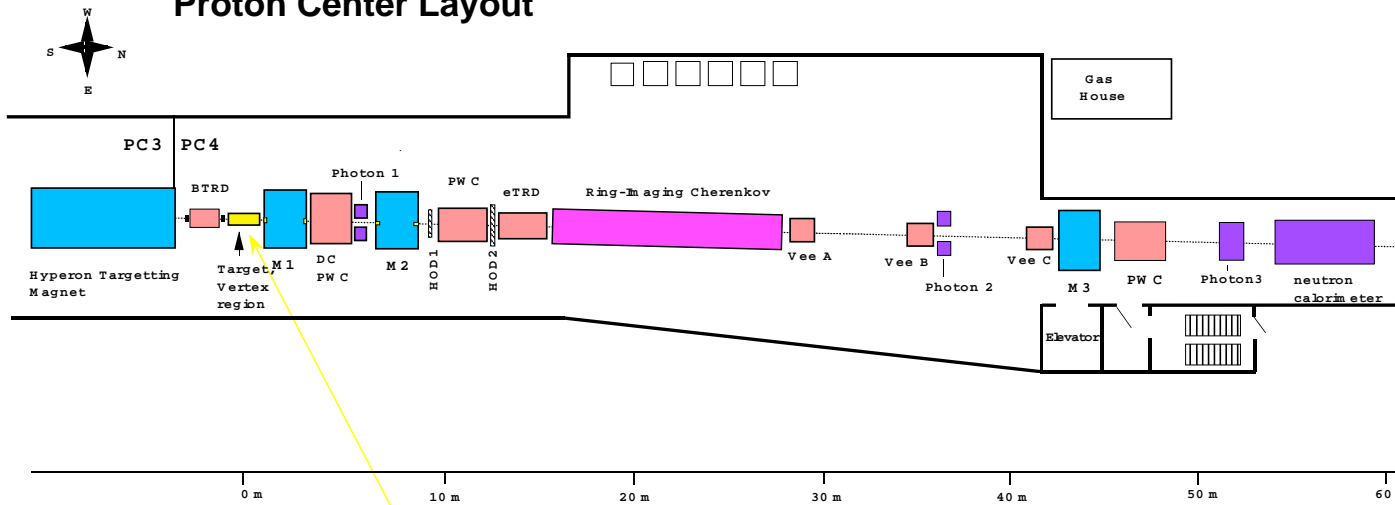
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The SELEX Experiment at Fermilab

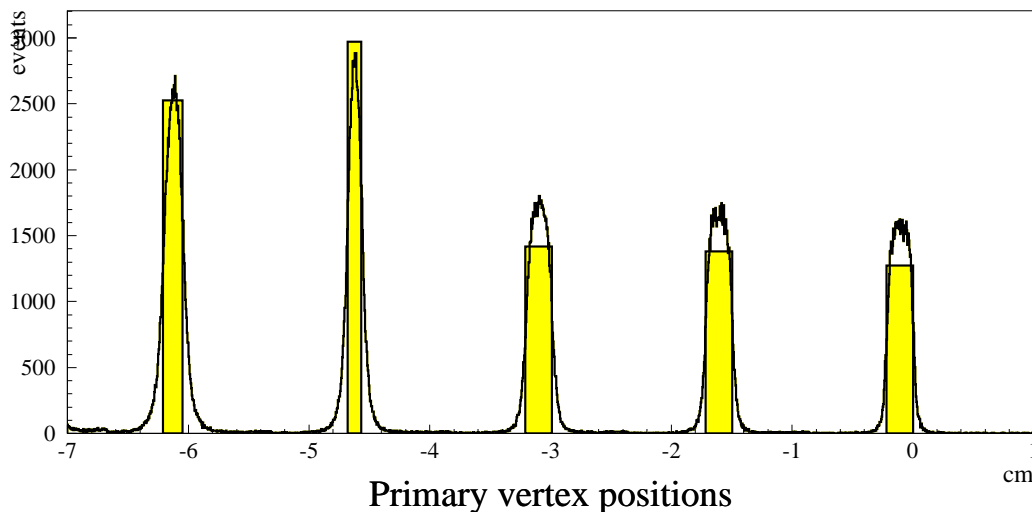
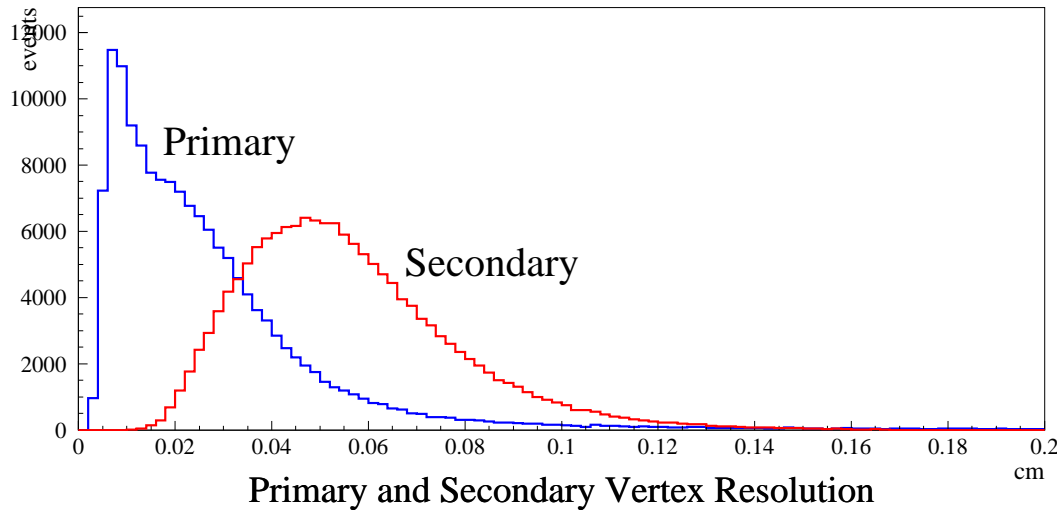
Selex (E781)
Proton Center Layout



SELEX experiment

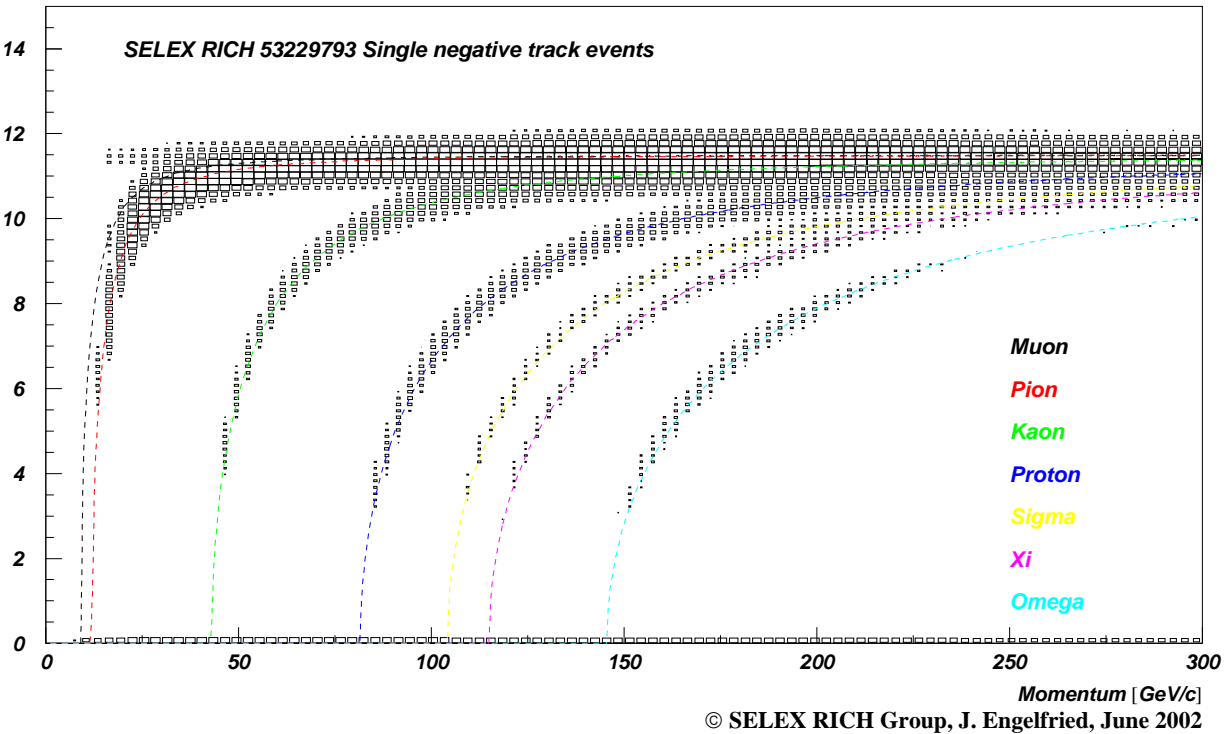
- Forward ($x_F > 0.1$) charm production
- Σ^- , π , p beam at 600 GeV/c
- RICH PID above ~ 22 GeV/c
- 20 plane Si-Vertex.
- Data taken 1996/7

Vertex Spectrometer Performance

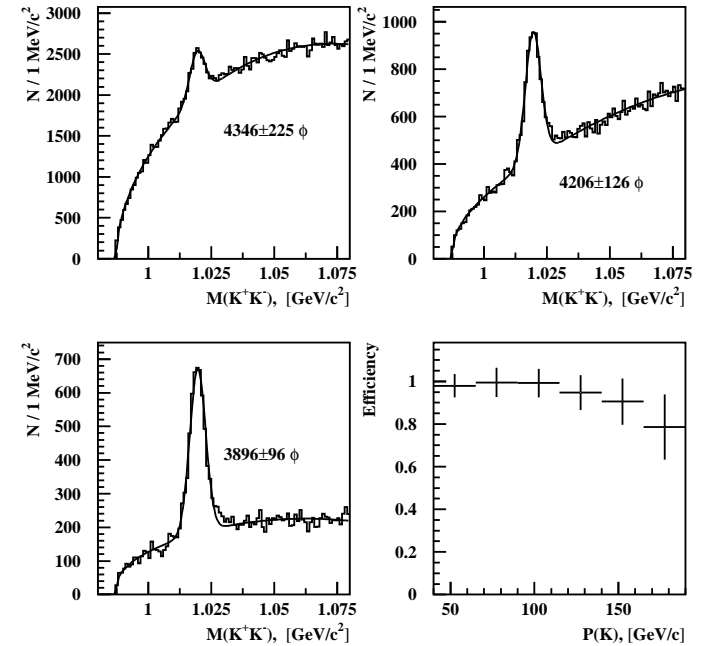
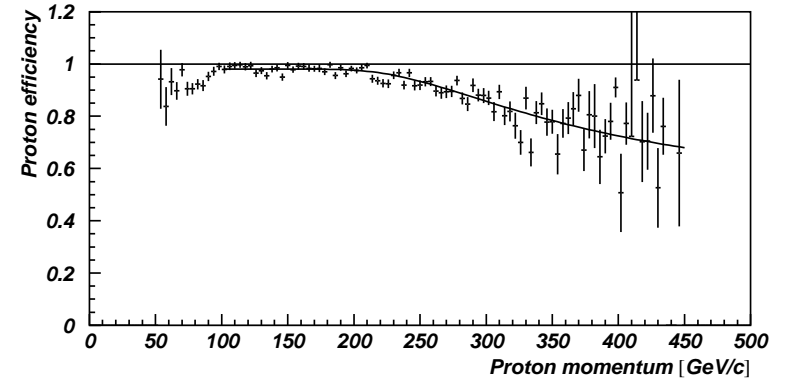


- transverse vtx resolution 8 – 15 μm
- 20 highly-efficient vertex planes over-determine tracks, reduce tracking confusion in high-multiplicity events
- target foils 0.8-2.2 mm thick with 1.5 cm spacing to localize primary interaction
- Lifetime resolution ~ 20 fs (slightly depending on particle and decay mode)

Ring Imaging Cherenkov Counter Performance



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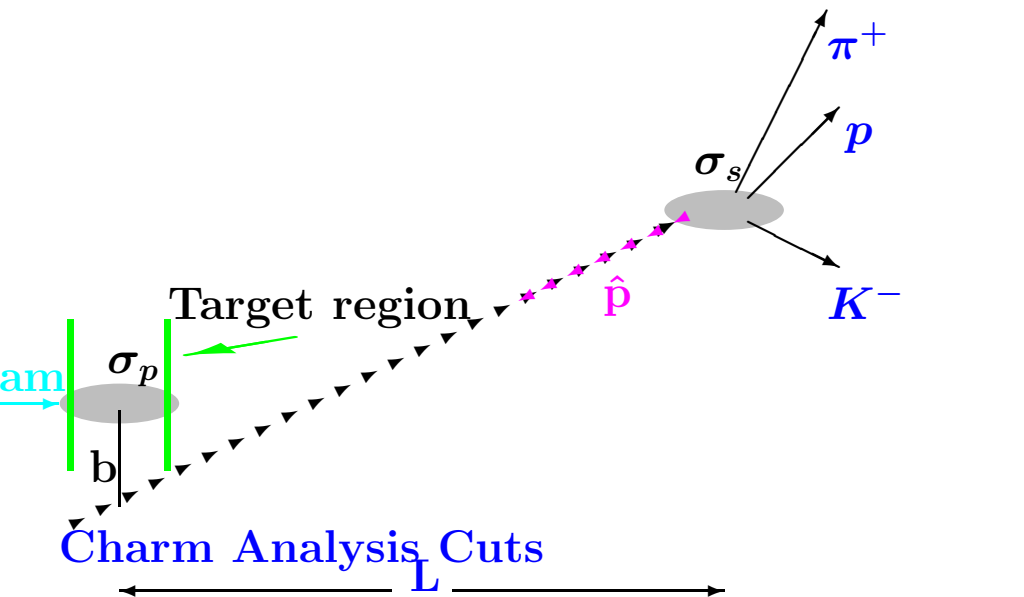
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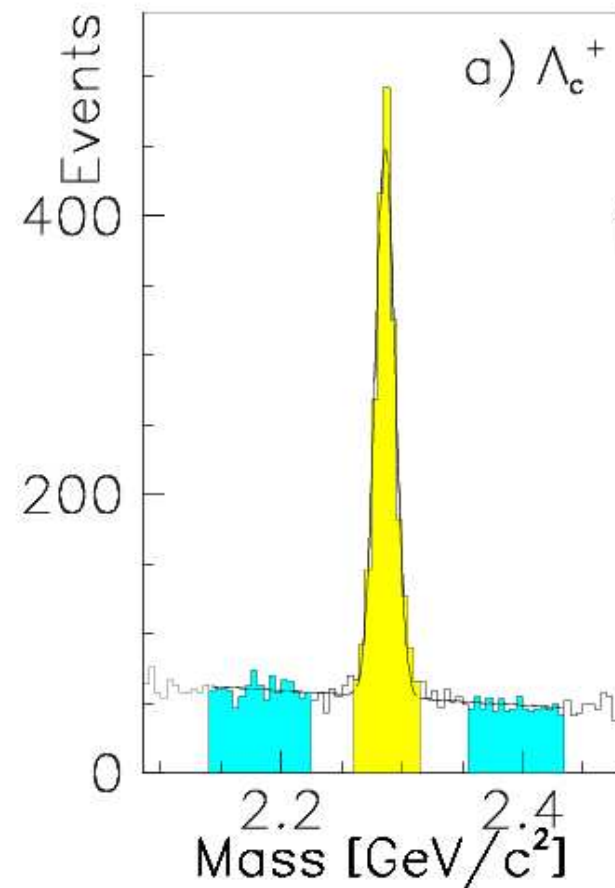
Charm Topics

Non-Charm Topics

SELEX Single Charm Analysis

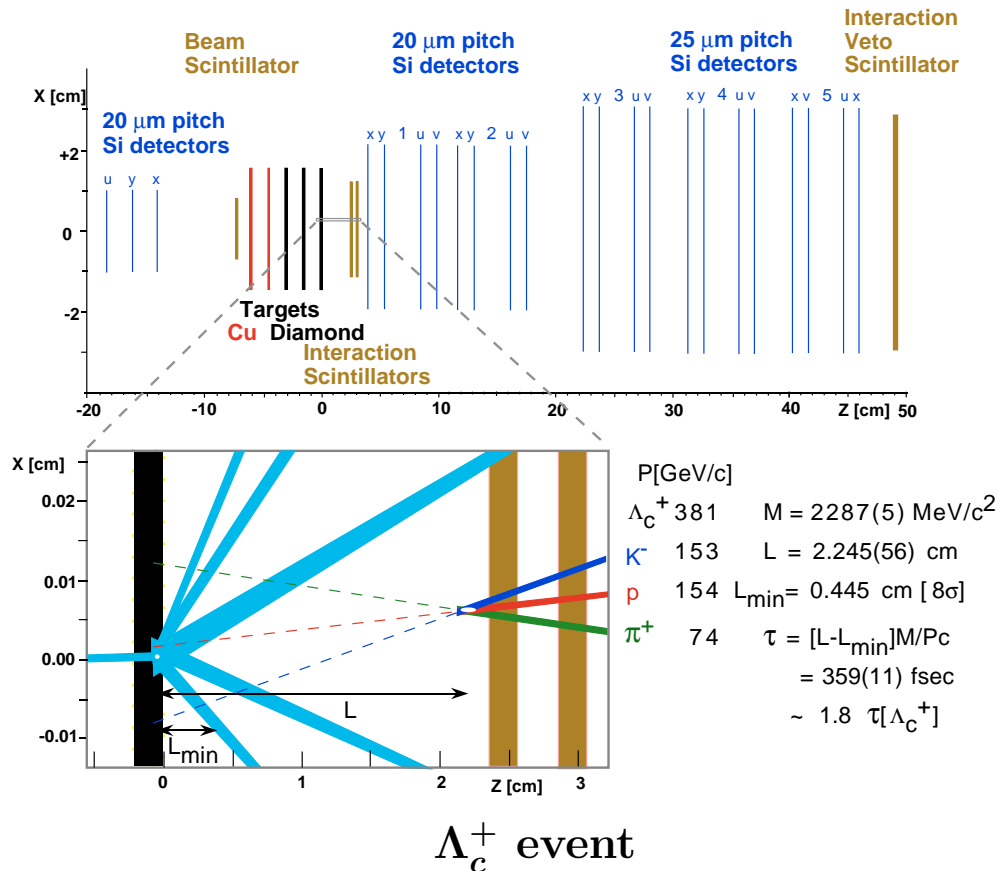


- Decay vertex separation significance L/σ
- Charm vector momentum points back to primary: cut on $(b/\sigma_b)^2$ (point-back cut)
- Decay vertex lies outside target material (space cut)
- Proton and Kaon identified in RICH detector



- $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+$ sample used to search for double charm

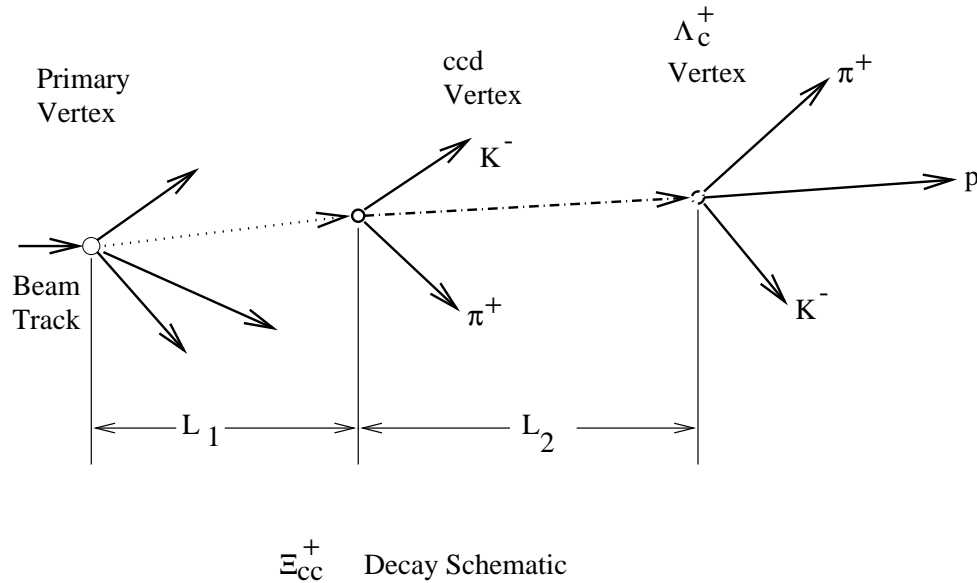
SELEX Charm Selection Criteria



Charm Selection Cuts for single charm studies:

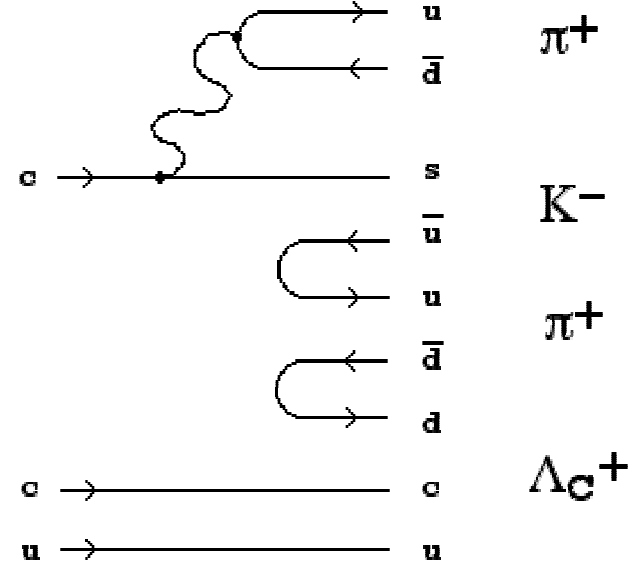
- secondary vertex significance:
 - $L/\sigma \geq 1$ short-lived states (Ξ_c^0, Ω_c^0)
 - $L/\sigma \geq 8$ long-lived states (Λ_c^+, D^+)
- Pointback ≤ 4 ($2\sigma_b$)
- *second*-largest miss significance among decay tracks ≥ 4 .
- primary vertex tagged by beam track
- secondary vertex must lie outside material

SELEX Search Strategy for Doubly-Charmed Baryons



- ccq decays to $csqu\bar{d}$. Look for charm, strange and baryon in final state. SELEX started with $\Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ (\pi^+)$.
- Look for new secondary vertex between primary and Λ_c^+
- no RICH PID on new $K^- \pi^+$ tracks (too soft)
- All other cuts fixed from previous searches

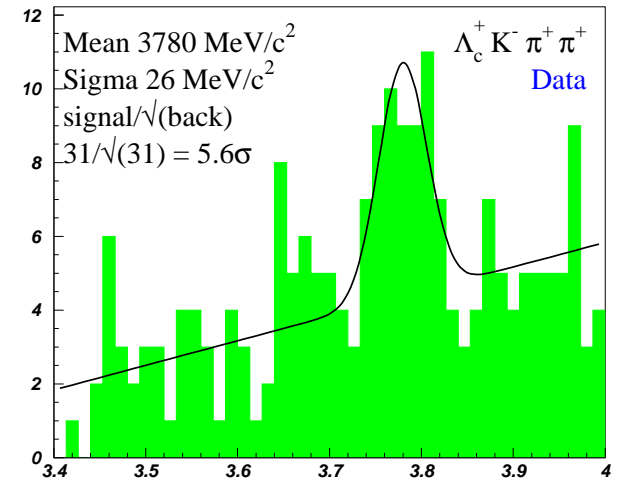
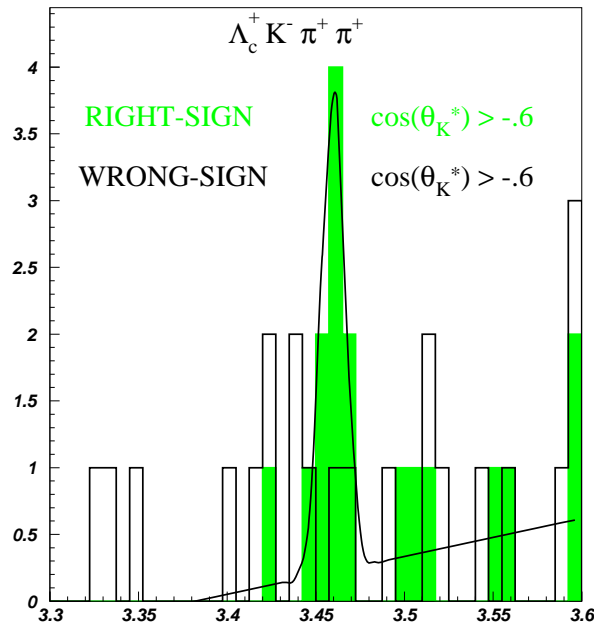
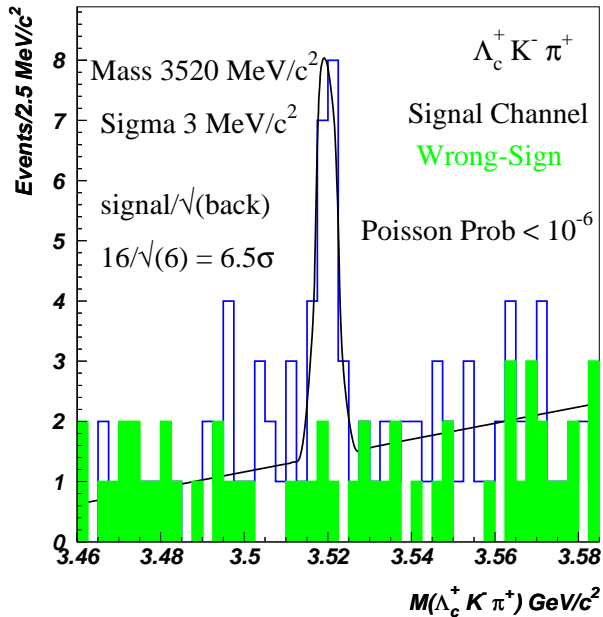
Ξ_{cc}^{++}



SELEX: Experimental Evidence from 2002

SELEX reported 3 significant high mass peaks

- in $\Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+$ at $3520 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
- in $\Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$ at $3460 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ and $3780 \text{ MeV}/c^2$

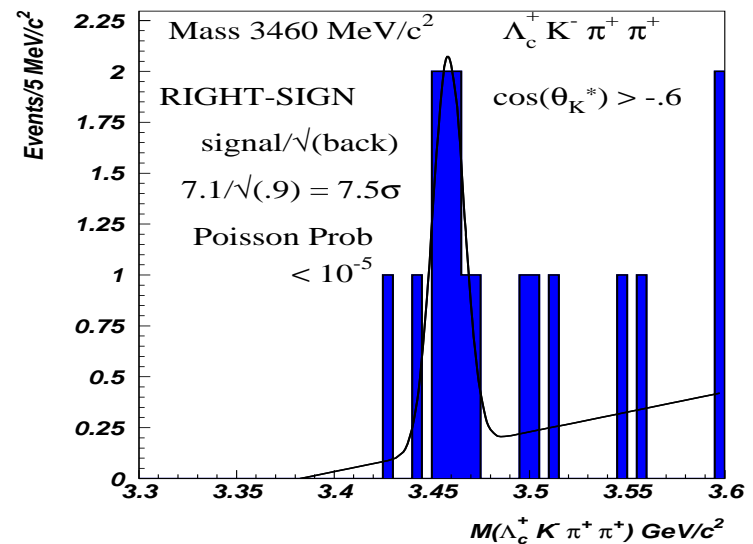
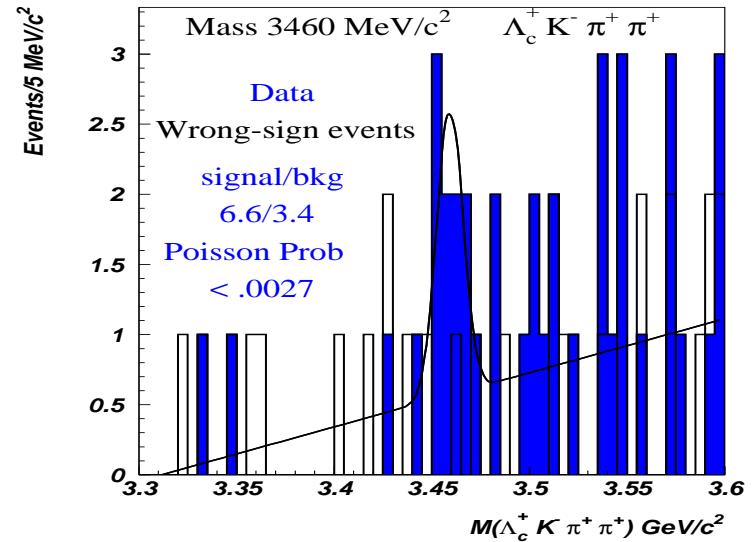


SELEX argued that these states are doubly-charmed baryons

First Observation of the Doubly Charmed Baryon $\Xi_{cc}^+ \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+$. Phys. Rev. Letters 89 (2002) 112002.

SELEX: Search for $ccd^+(3520)$ Isopartner: ccu^{++}

- same cuts as before:
3.5 σ hint in $\Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$.
- No peak in wrong sign ($\Lambda_c^+ K^+ \pi^- \pi^+$).
- Try additional cut: $\cos \Theta_K^* > -0.6$ to remove soft vertex tracks
- Mass peak at $3460 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
7.1 signal, 0.9 background. 7.5 σ
- Loss of signal consistent with phase space ($L = 0$)
- $\Xi_{cc}^{++}(3460)$, $\Xi_{cc}^+(3520)$ Isodoublet??

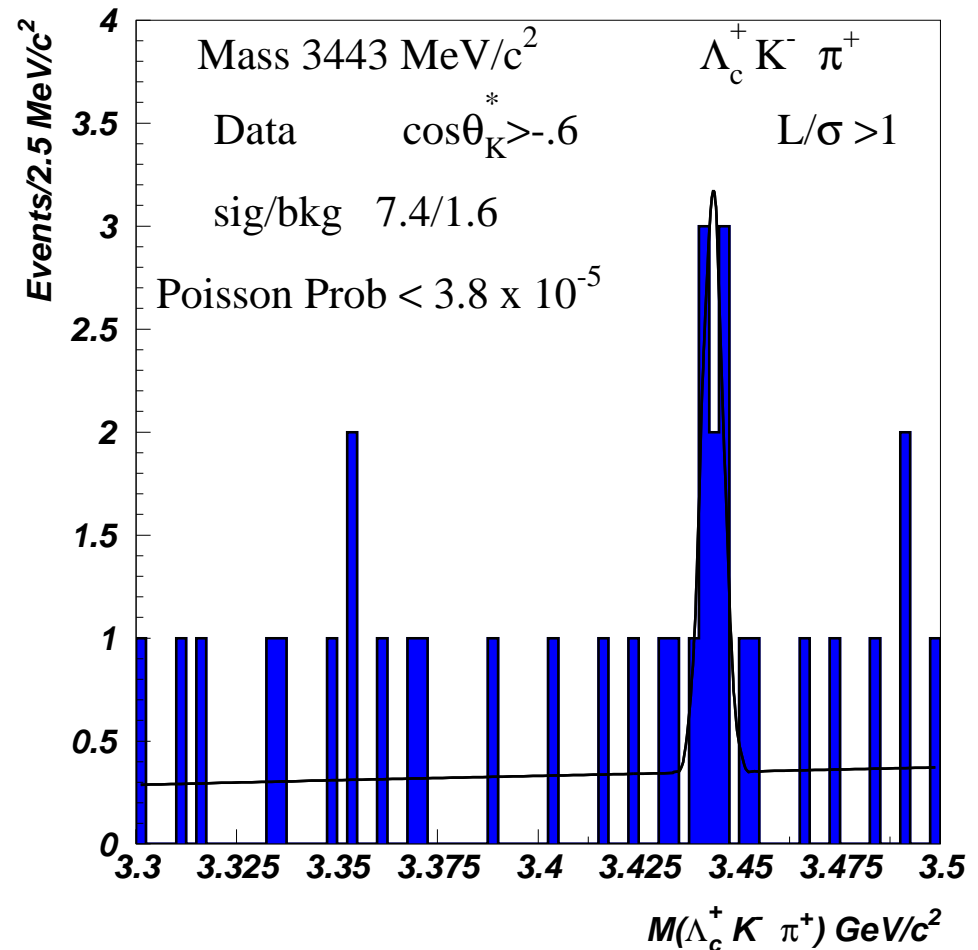


SELEX: Where is the Isopartner to $\Xi_{cc}^{++}(3460)$?

- apply $\cos \Theta_K^* > -0.6$ also to $\Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+$
- $ccd^+(3520)$ strongly attenuated:
 \Rightarrow not phase space
- \Rightarrow NOT isopartner to $ccu^{++}(3460)$

New $ccd^+(3443)$ now very significant

- there was a “bump” before –
– was ignored
- Now: 7.4 signal, 1.6 background. 5.8σ
- Consistent with phase space decay
- $ccd^+(3443)$ is partner to $ccu^{++}(3460)$

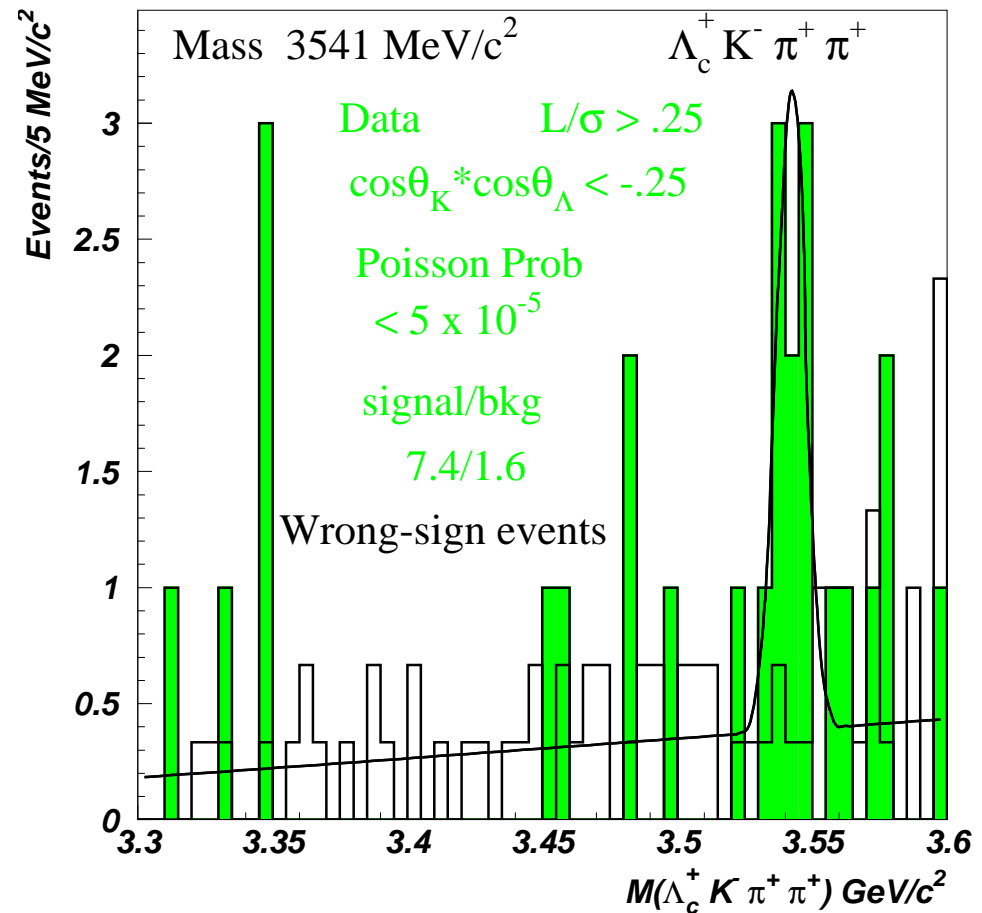


SELEX: Where is the Isopartner to $\Xi_{cc}^+(3520)$?

- $ccd^+(3520)$ not phase space ($\cos \Theta_K^*$ cut)
- Λ_c^+ and K^- are back-to-back:
 $\cos \Theta_K^* \cos \Theta_{\Lambda_c}^* < -0.25$ keeps most of signal
- Apply also to $\Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$ sample: Nothing
- Reduce cut to $L/\sigma > 0.25$

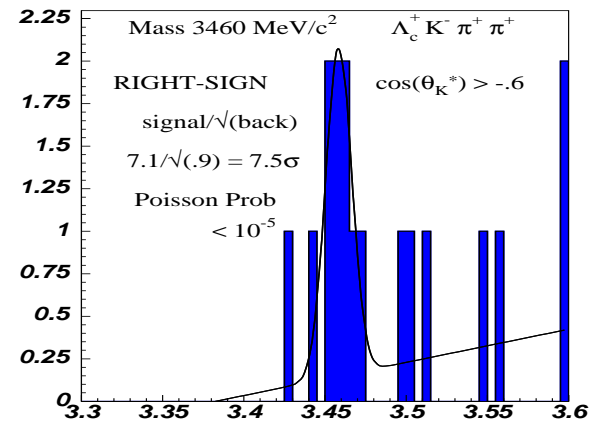
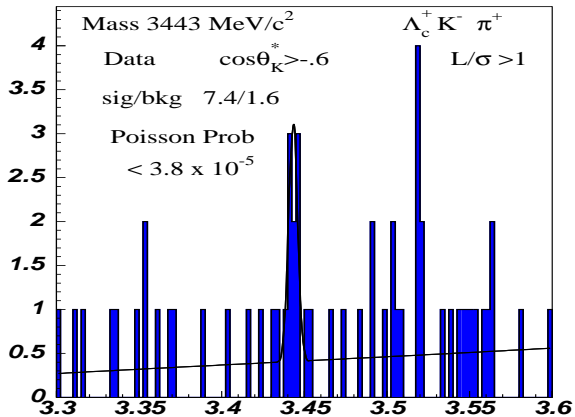
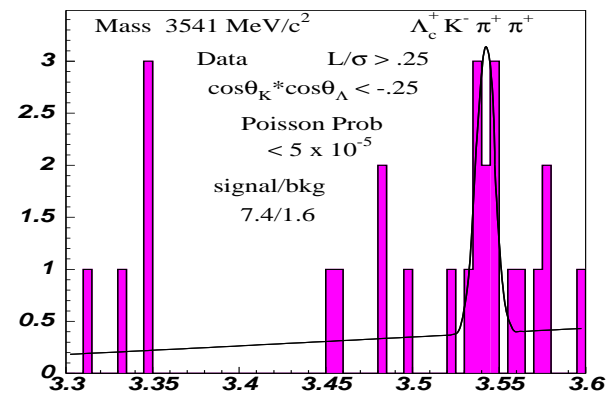
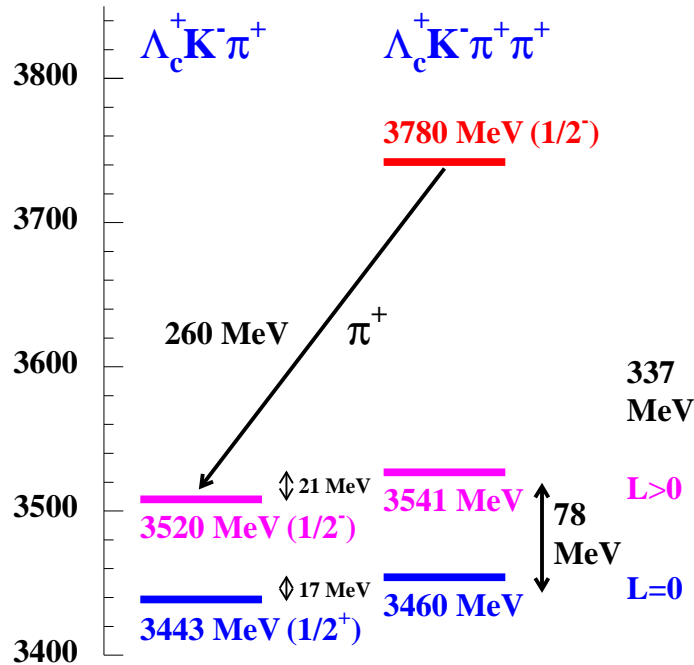
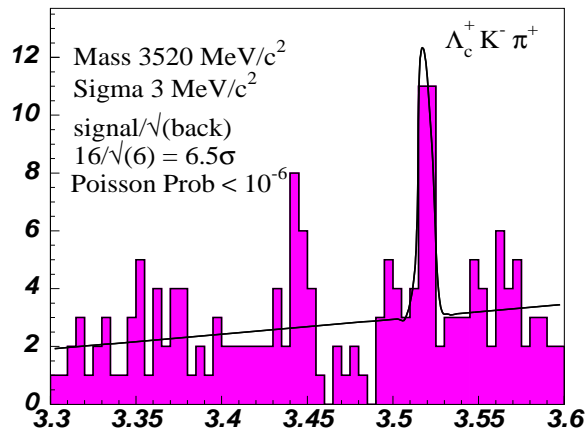
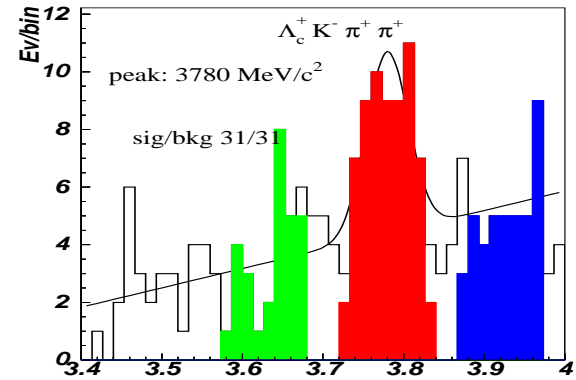
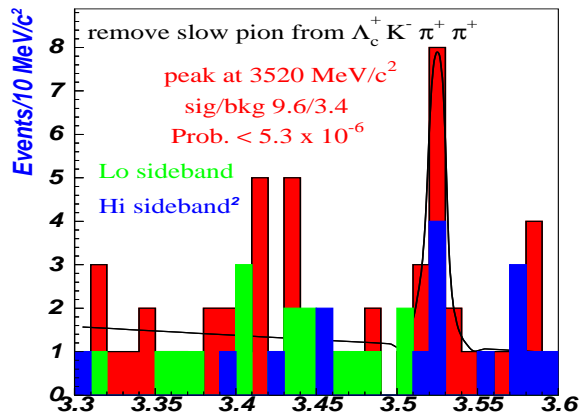
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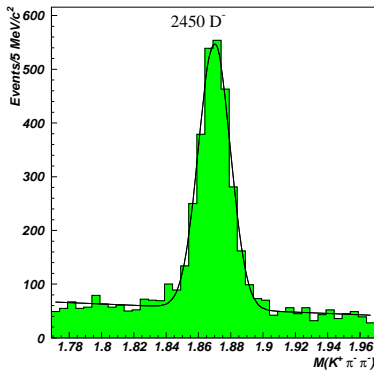
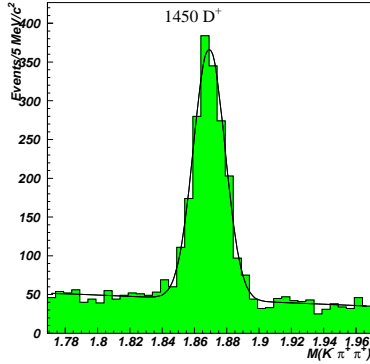
SELEX Double Charmed Baryon States

An excited state and a pair of isodoublets?

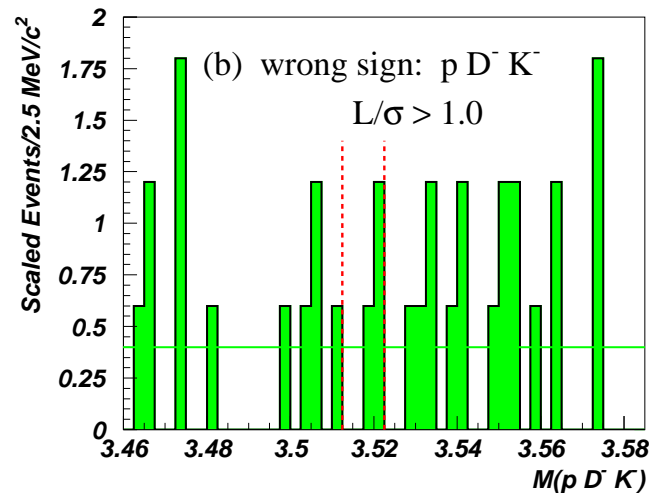
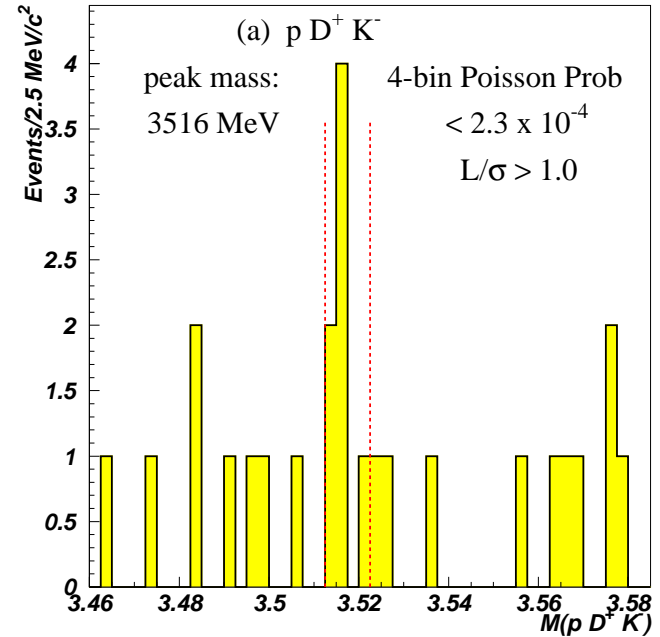


Other Double Charm Baryon Decay Modes?

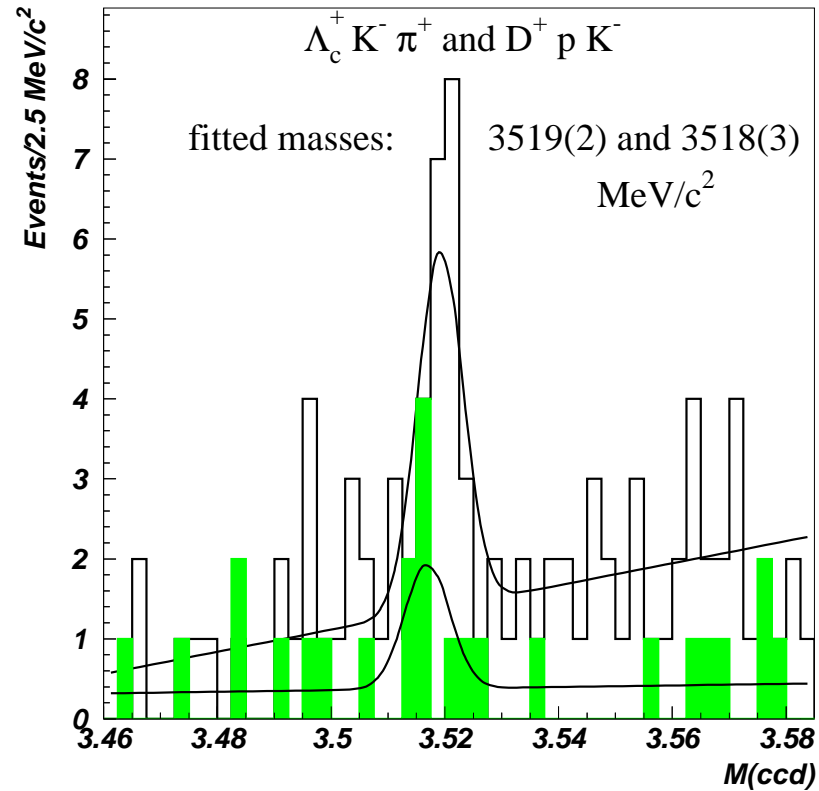
New SELEX result on $\Xi_{cc}^+ \rightarrow p D^+ K^-$: hep-ex/0406033, submitted to PRL



SELEX D^+ and D^-
Sample



Both Ξ_{cc}^+ Decay Modes combined



$$\begin{aligned} \Xi_{cc}^+ &\rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ : (3519 \pm 2) \text{ MeV}/c^2 \\ \Xi_{cc}^+ &\rightarrow p D^+ K^- : (3518 \pm 3) \text{ MeV}/c^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma(\Xi_{cc}^+ \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+)}{\Gamma(\Xi_{cc}^+ \rightarrow p D^+ K^-)} = 0.078 \pm 0.045$$

Not possible to access $ccd(3443)$, $ccu(3460)$, $ccu(3541)$ with D modes

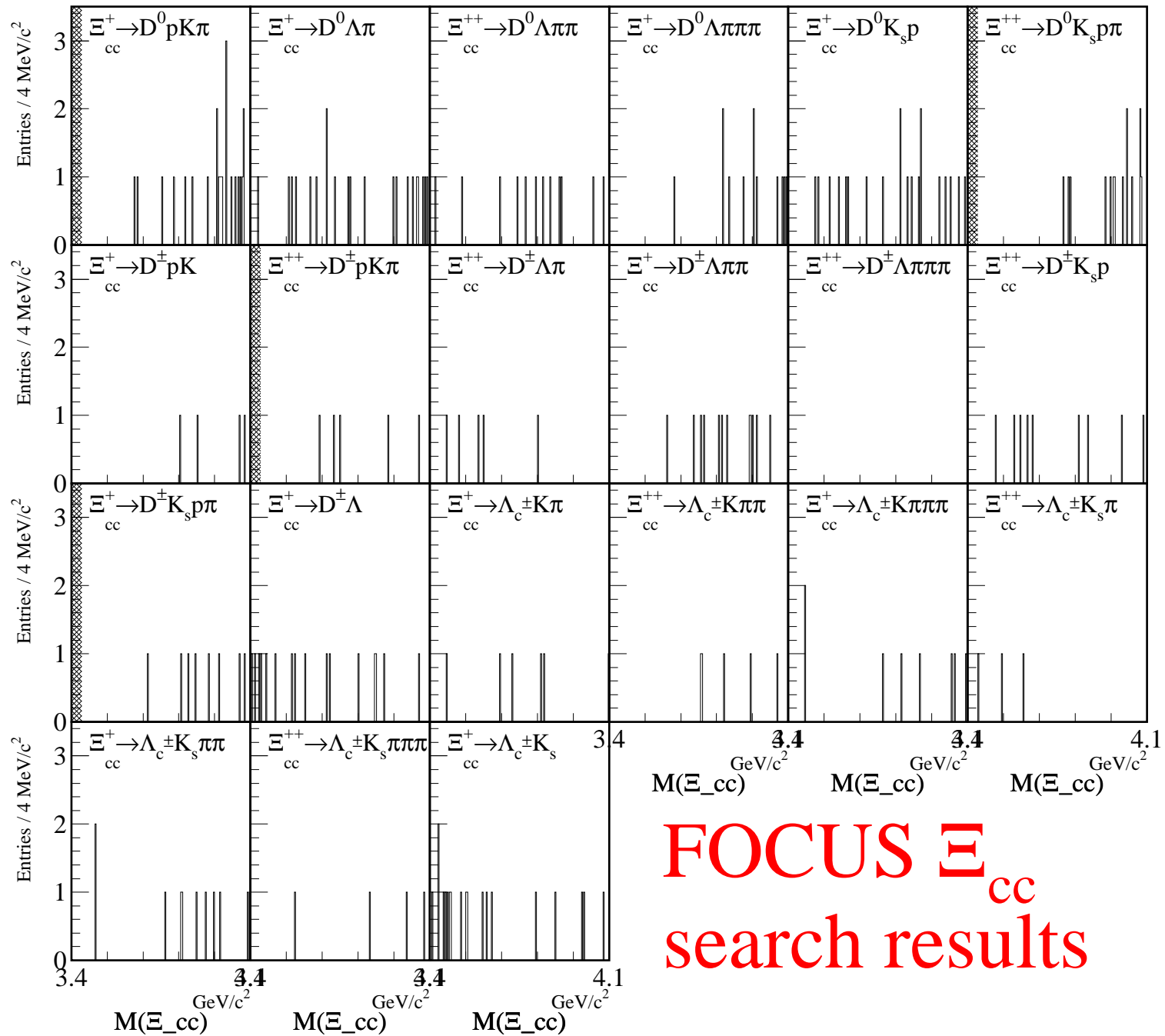
Doubly Charmed Baryons Properties

Lifetimes

- SELEX tried to measure lifetime: All lifetimes near resolution limit: $\tau_{cc} < 30$ fs
- Decays are via weak interaction
- Model predictions: several hundreds of fs.

Production

- SELEX: Dominantly produced by baryon (Σ^- , p) beam
- E791 has looked in 250 GeV/ c π^- production **no signal**
- FOCUS looked in 250 GeV/ c photo-production **no signal**



FOCUS Ξ_{cc} search results

Why weakly decaying Doublet?

- Observed Excitation is $\sim 78 \text{ MeV}/c^2$:
- If Excitation is Chromomagnetic:
 - Expect dominant M1 Dipole Transition (like in $D^* \rightarrow D\gamma$)
 - Weak decay of Chromomagnetic Excited State Suppressed by ~ 6 orders of magnitude
- Bardeen, Eichten and Hill: spectroscopy of cc compared to $c\bar{s}$ (PRD68 054024, hep-ph/0305049)

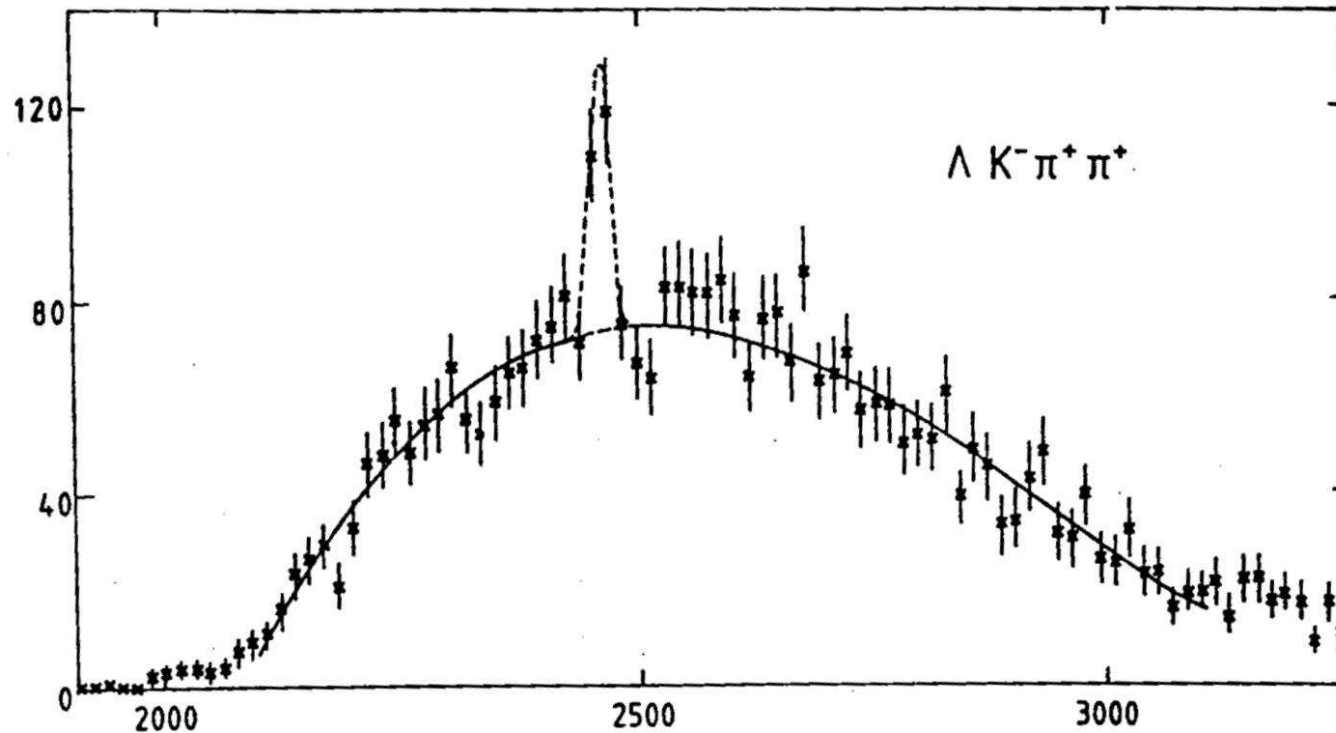
$$\text{Ground State: } J^P = \frac{1^+}{2} [c \uparrow c \uparrow L = 0, J^P = 1^+] q \downarrow$$

$$\text{Excited State: } J^P = \frac{1^-}{2} [c \uparrow c \downarrow L = 1, J^P = 1^-] q \downarrow$$

- First excited state is $L = 1$ of heavy (cc) di-quark
- In at least one version of the model splitting is consistent with observed $78 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
- First EM transition is M2.

Charm Mysteries (1) – Discovery of the Ξ_c^+

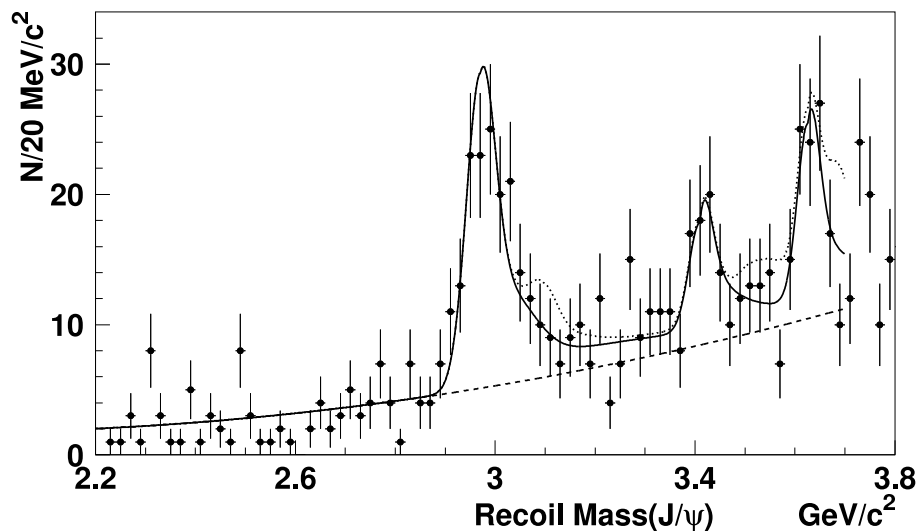
CERN WA62 (1983)



- Beam: 135 GeV/c Σ^-
- 3 weeks of running
- no silicon detectors

- 83 events $\Xi_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$
- measured Ξ_c^+ lifetime correctly

(Double)-Charm Mysteries (2) – $J/\Psi \eta_c$ Production



- Belle observed high double charm production in $e^+e^- \rightarrow J/\Psi c\bar{c}$, $e^+e^- \rightarrow J/\Psi \eta_c$ (Phys. Rev. Lett. 89 (2002) 142001, hep-ex/0205104)
- Belle does not see $e^+e^- \rightarrow J/\Psi J/\Psi$ (hep-ex/0306015)
- At publication, factor x40 higher cross section than theory.
- revised models still x10 too low.
- No confirmation from BaBar yet

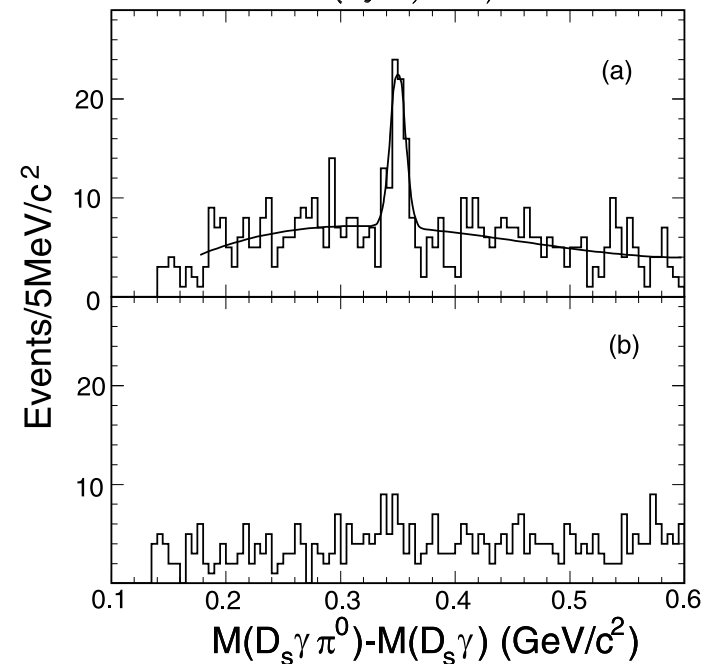
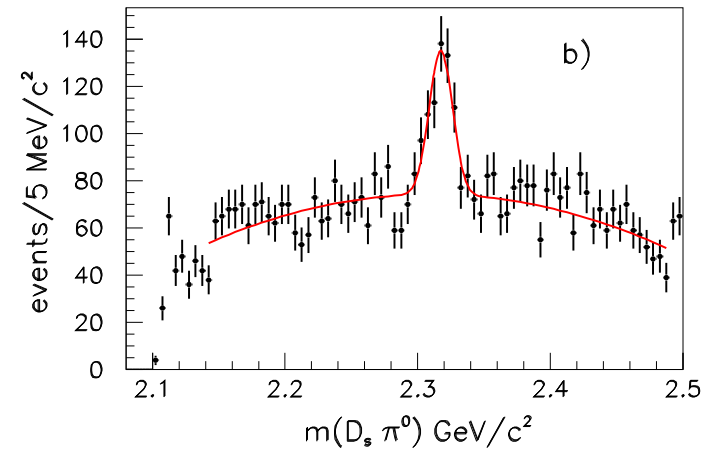
Charm Mysteries (3) – Narrow D_s Resonances

BaBar, CLEO, Belle (2003)

$$D_{sJ}^*(2315) \rightarrow D_s \pi^0, D_{sJ}(2463) \rightarrow D_s \gamma \pi^0$$

PRL90 (hep-ex/0304021); PRD68;

PRL91 (hep-ex/0308019)



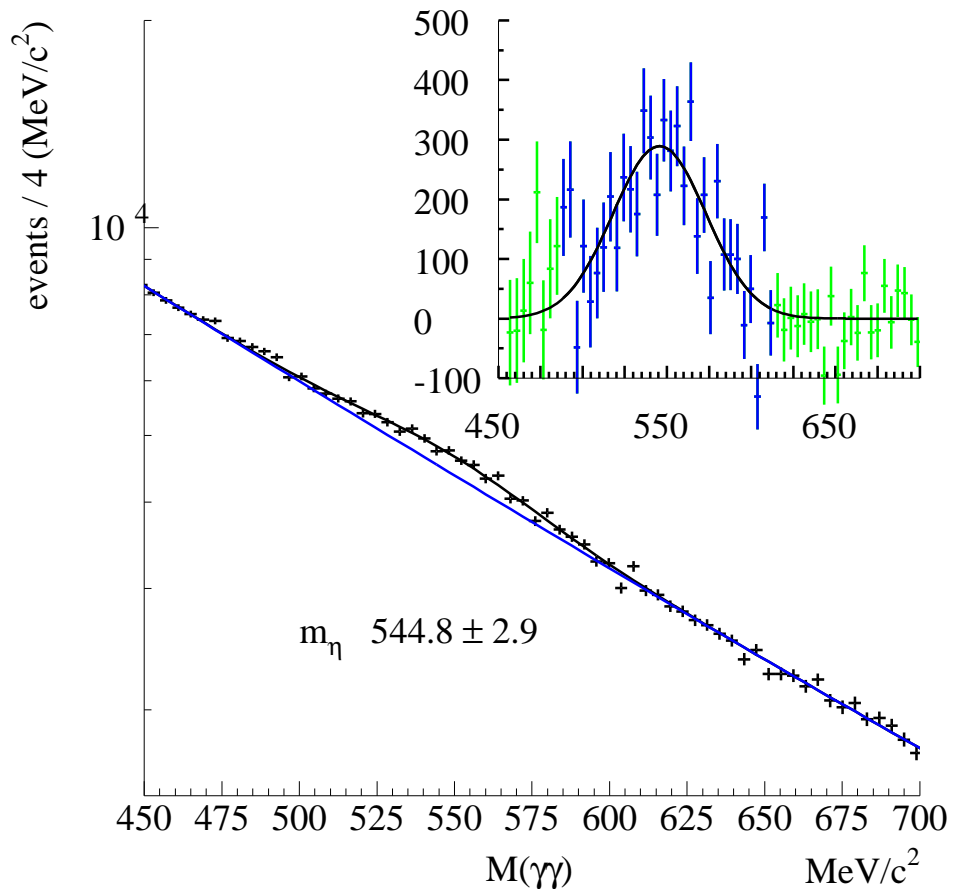
SELEX Search: η Signal in Charm trigger

SELEX Photon detection (Leadclass):

- Energy scale verified on π^0 , Σ^0 :
Good to $< 2\%$ over full energy range
- Also on D^* .

$\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

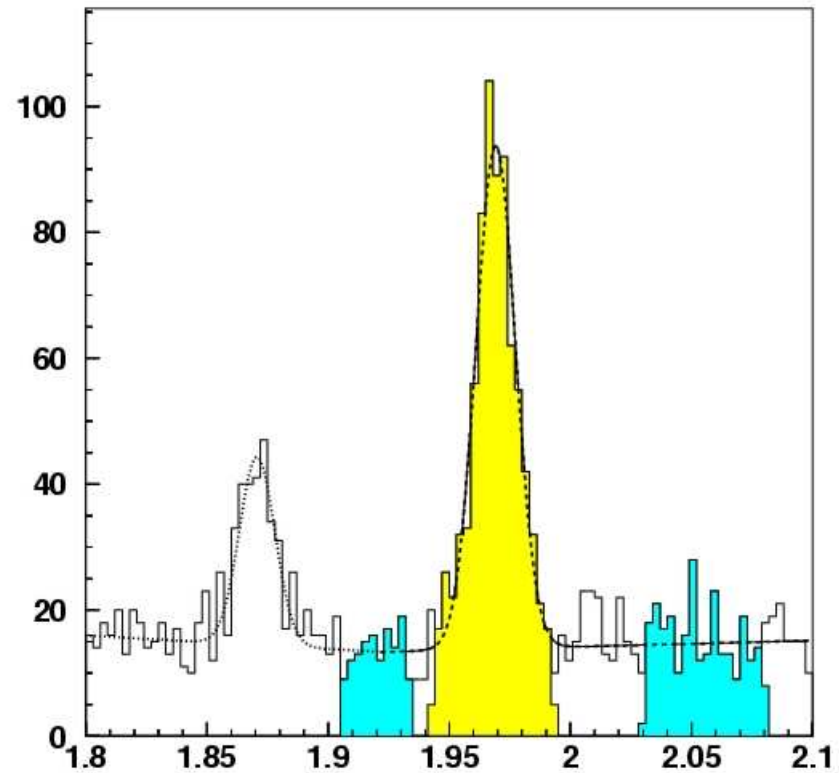
- $E_\gamma > 2 \text{ GeV}$
- $E_{\gamma\gamma} > 15 \text{ GeV}$
- Good fit to: exponential + Gauss
 - Fit $M(\eta) = 544.9 \pm 2.9$
 - PDG $M(\eta) = 547.3 \pm 0.12$
 - Fit Width: 27.8 ± 4.3
 - MC resolution: 30.2 ± 1.2



η -yield per interaction: 0.05

SELEX Search: D_s Signal in Charm trigger

$$D_s \rightarrow K^- K^+ \pi^-$$

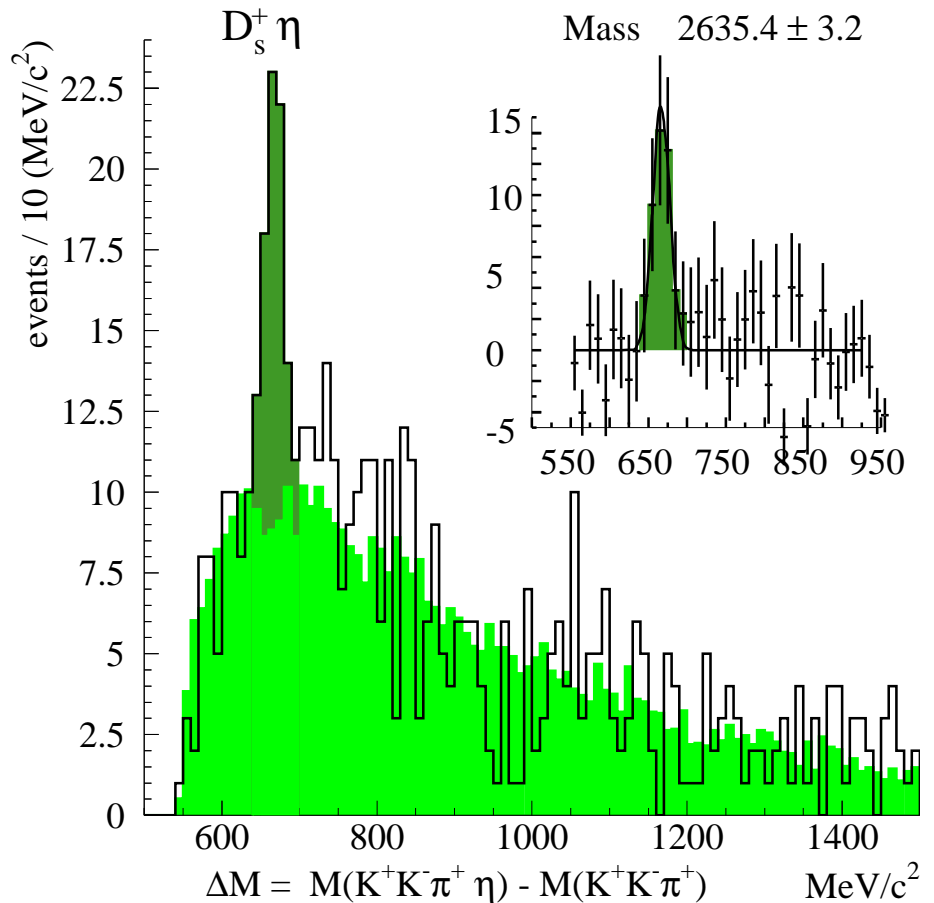


SELEX: $D_{sJ}^*(2632) \rightarrow D_s^+ \eta$

- Combine D_s events with η candidates
- Reject events with $N_\eta > 5$ (loss: 18/554)
- **Background: mix η from 25 other events with each D_s and rescale**
- 43.4 ± 9.1 signal events for Gaussian fit to subtracted data; $\chi^2 = 0.9$
- 6.2σ peak at $2635.4 \text{ MeV}/c^2$

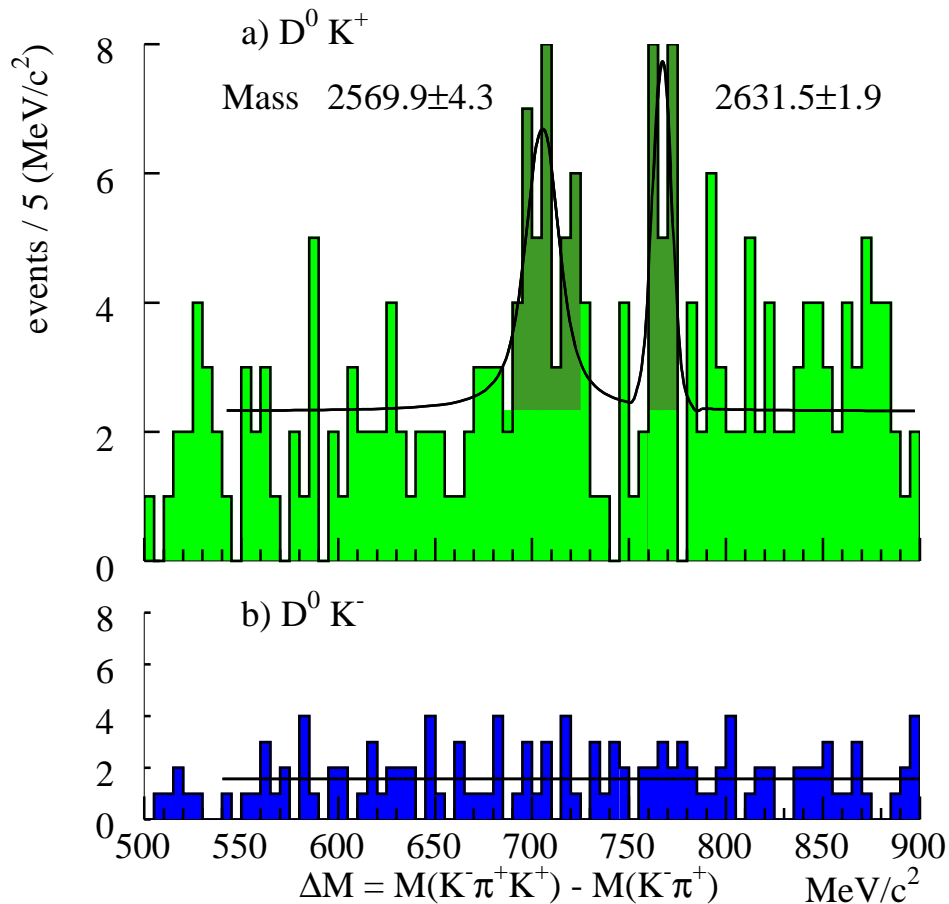
η -yield:

- in signal band: 0.18 per interaction with D_s
- Remove Signal: $.12 \pm 0.05$



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SELEX: $D_{sJ}^*(2632) \rightarrow D^0 K^+$



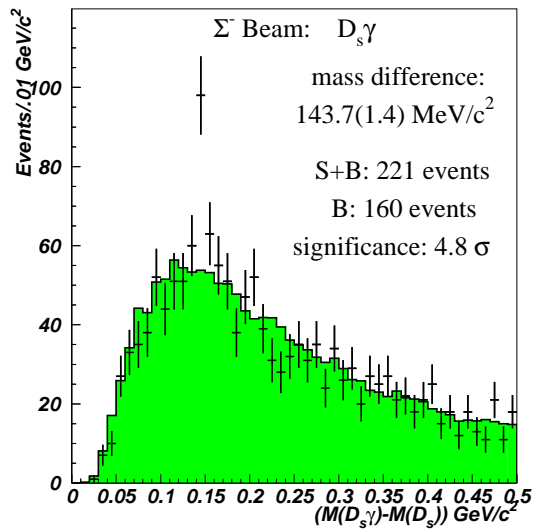
- Well identified D^0, K^+
 - $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$ only (S/N 4/1)
 - $\text{Prob}(K^+) > 10 \text{ Prob}(\text{any other})$
- Wrong sign background constant
- Fit to 2 Breit-Wigner with Gaussians, and constant background
- Width of Gaussians fixed from MC

$D_{sJ}(2573)$	Mass	Width Γ
PDG	2573 ± 1.7	15^{+5}_{-4}
SELEX	2569 ± 4.3	14^{+9}_{-6}

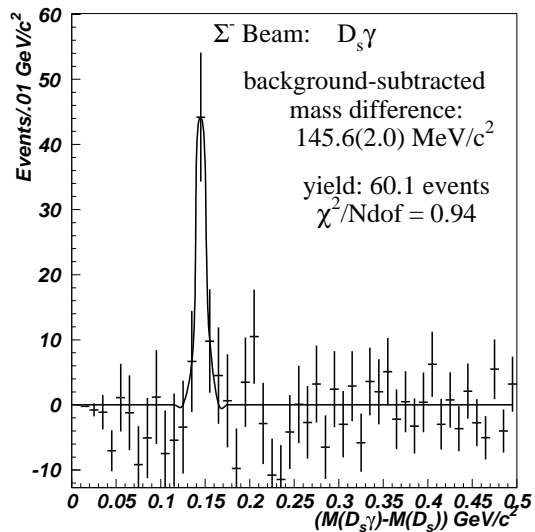
14 ± 4.5 Events at $2631.5 \pm 1.9 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
 Poisson excess prob. 10^{-4}
 90% CL upper limit: $\Gamma < 17 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
ABOVE THRESHOLD! WHY NARROW?

$$\frac{\Gamma(D^0 K^+)}{\Gamma(D_s^+ \eta)} = 0.16 \pm 0.06$$

Look at $D_s(2112) \rightarrow D_s\gamma$



- CLEO: $D_s(2112)/D_s$: $0.59 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.01$
- SELEX: $D_s(2112)/D_s$: 0.24 ± 0.06
- BUT: A lot of D_s come from $D_s(2632)$!
Corrected SELEX Yield:
 $D_s(2112)/D_s$: 0.53 ± 0.13



- $D_s(2632)$ has different production mechanism
- What is it?

Summary and Outlook

- SELEX observes the $\Xi_{cc}^+(3520)$ in two decay modes: $\Xi_{cc}^+ \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+$, $\Xi_{cc}^+ \rightarrow p D^+ K^-$
- SELEX observes two doublet of weakly decaying Double Charm Baryons:
 - $\Xi_{cc}^+(3443) \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+$
 - $\Xi_{cc}^+(3520) \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+$
 - $\Xi_{cc}^{++}(3460) \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$
 - $\Xi_{cc}^{++}(3541) \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$
 - Isospin splitting $\sim 19 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
 - Excitation $\sim 78 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
 - decay of lower states compatible with phase space, higher states not
- SELEX observes an excited Double Charm Baryon: $\Xi_{cc}^{*++} \rightarrow \Xi_{cc}^+ \pi^+$
- Double Charm Baryons produced by baryons (Σ^-, p)
- Lifetime at resolution limit: $\tau_{cc} < 30 \text{ fs}$
- SELEX is working on other decay modes:
 - Most promising $\Xi_{cc}^{+(+) } \rightarrow \Xi_c^+ \pi^+ \pi^- (\pi^+)$
 - Eventually also go to the Ω_{cc}^{++}
- SELEX observes new excited D_s Meson in two decay modes: $D_{sJ}(2632) \rightarrow D_s^+ \eta$ and $D^0 K^+$, with small width, and mostly decaying to $D_s^+ \eta$
- SELEX is working on charmed baryon properties:
 - Ω_c lifetime
 - Ξ_c lifetimes
 - D^\pm, D^0 production