

# Charm baryon decays at BESIII

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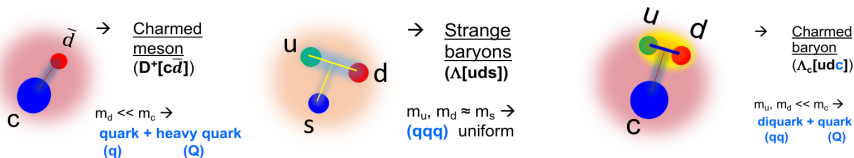
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# $\Lambda_c^+$ : the lightest charmed baryon spectroscopy



- Most of charmed baryons will eventually decay to  $\Lambda_c^+$
- $\Lambda_c^+$ : one of important tagging hadrons in  $c$ -quark counting in the productions at high energy experiment
- Also important input to  $\Lambda_b$  (including  $\Xi_{cc}^{++}$ ) physics as  $\Lambda_b$  decay preferentially to  $\Lambda_c^+$   $\rightarrow$  Important input to  $B$  physics and  $V_{ub}$  calculations
- $\Lambda_c^+$  may provide more powerful test on internal dynamics than  $D/D_s$  does!
- Naive quark model picture:

Heavy quark ( $c$ ) with an unexcited spin-zero diquark ( $u - d$ ). Diquark correlation is enhanced by weak Color Magnetic Interaction with a heavy quark (HQET)



[PLB237(1990)527] [ConfProcC900318(1990)583] [PLB240(1990)447] [NPB343(1990)1]

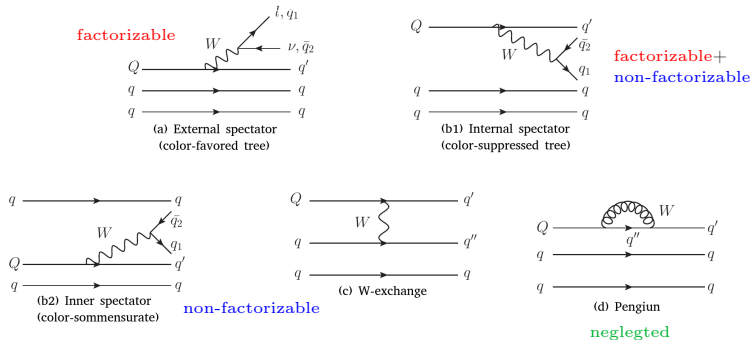
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[ChinJPhys78(2022)324][ZPhysC55(1992)659]

- Contrary to charmed mesons,  $W$ -exchange contribution is important  
→ No color suppression and helicity suppression



- Phenomenology goal: explain data and predict important observables
- Calculation (what we can: HQET, factorization) + parametrization (what we cannot) + measurement (some non-factorization processes)

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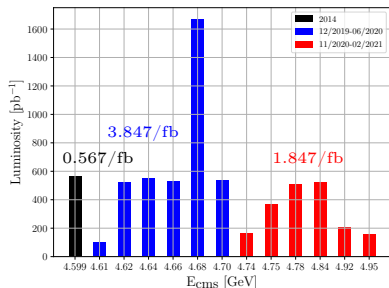
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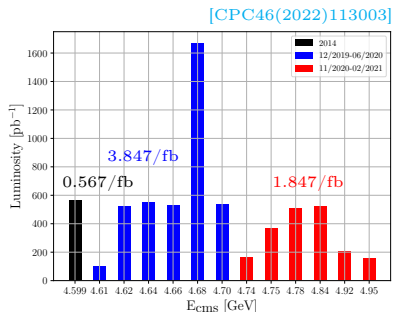
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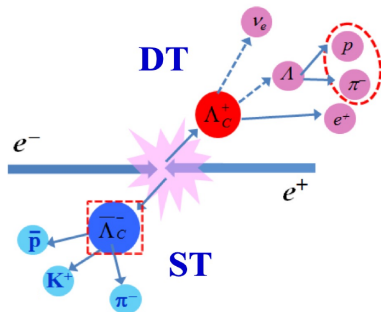


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- **Single Tag (ST):**

- $\Delta E = E_{\Lambda_c^+} - E_{beam}$
- beam-constrained mass

$$M_{BC} = \sqrt{E_{beam}^2 - |\vec{p}_{\Lambda_c^+}|^2}$$

- **Double Tag (DT):**

- kinematic variable to obtain neutrino information

$$U_{miss} = E_{miss} - c|\vec{p}_{miss}|$$

- **Branching fraction:**

$$\mathcal{B} = \frac{N_{DT}}{N_{ST}} \frac{\varepsilon_{ST}}{\varepsilon_{DT}}$$

- Full reconstruction of ST CBD by hadronic decays with large  $\mathcal{B}$
- Allow to access absolute  $\mathcal{B}$ s and decay dynamics

# $\Lambda_c^+$ decay modes



	Hadronic mode	$\mathcal{B}[\%]$ [PDG2023]
1	$\Lambda\pi^+\pi^0$	$7.02 \pm 0.35$
2	$pK^-\pi^+$	$6.26 \pm 0.29$
3	$\Sigma^+\pi^+\pi^-$	$4.48 \pm 0.23$
4	$pK^-\pi^+\pi^0$	$4.45 \pm 0.28$
5	$\Lambda\pi^-2\pi^+$	$3.62 \pm 0.26$
6	$\Sigma^0\pi^+\pi^0$	$3.5 \pm 0.4$
7	$pK_S^0\pi^0$	$1.96 \pm 0.12$
8	$pK_S^0$	$1.59 \pm 0.07$
9	$pK_S^0\pi^+\pi^-$	$1.6 \pm 0.11$
10	$\Lambda\pi^+$	$1.29 \pm 0.05$
11	$\Sigma^0\pi^+$	$1.27 \pm 0.06$
12	$\Sigma^+\pi^0$	$1.25 \pm 0.09$
13	$\Sigma^0\pi^-2\pi^+$	$1.10 \pm 0.30$
14	$p\pi^+\pi^-$	$0.46 \pm 0.03$

~40%

	Semileptonic mode	$\mathcal{B}[\%]$ [PDG2023]
1	$\Lambda e^+\nu_e$	$3.56 \pm 0.13$
2	$\Lambda\mu^+\nu_\mu$	$3.5 \pm 0.5$
3	$\Lambda(1520)e^+\nu_e$	$0.10 \pm 0.05$



## Semileptonic decay modes



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axial-vector helicity amplitudes

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$$\text{where } Q_\pm = (M_1 \pm M_2)^2 - q^2 \equiv M_\pm^2 - q^2, \quad H_{-\lambda_2, -\Delta_W}^{V,A} = \pm H_{\lambda_2, \Delta_W}^{V,A}$$

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- FF parametrization for **hyperons** [PLB478(2000)417][EPJC81(2021)226]:

$$F_i^{V,A}(q^2) = \frac{F_i^{V,A}(0)}{1 - \frac{q^2}{M_{V,A}^2}} \frac{1}{1 - \alpha_{\text{BK}} \frac{q^2}{M_{V,A}^2}} \implies F_i^{V,A}(q^2) = F_i^{V,A}(0) \left[ 1 + r_i^{V,A} q^2 + \dots \right]$$

with  $r^{V,A} = 2/m_{V,A}^2$  [AnnRevNuclPartSci34(1984)351] [AnnRevNuclPartSci53(2003)39]

- $\Delta S = 0$ :  $m_V = 0.84$  GeV [RivNuovoCim2(1972)241],  $m_A = 1.08$  GeV [BNL-24848]
- $|\Delta S| = 1$ :  $m_V = m_{K^*(892)} = 0.89$  GeV,  $m_A = m_{K^*(1270)} = 1.27$  GeV

Decay	$\mathcal{B}(\times 10^{-4})$	$g_{av}^D(0)$	$g_w^D(0)$	$M_1 - M_2$ [MeV]	Ref.
$\Lambda \rightarrow pe^- \bar{\nu}_e$	8.32(14)	0.718(15)	1.066	177	[1, 2]
$\Sigma^+ \rightarrow \Lambda e^+ \nu_e$ [a]	0.20(05)	0.01(10)	2.4(17)	74	[1]
$\Xi^- \rightarrow \Lambda e^- \bar{\nu}_e$	5.63(31)	0.25(5)	0.085	206	[2, 3]

[a] Since  $F_1^\Sigma = 0$ ,  $g_{av}$  and  $g_w$  are defined as  $F_1^V/F_1^A$  and  $F_2^V/F_1^A$ , respectively

[1] PTEP2022 083C01(2022)    [2] AnnRevNuclPartSci53(2003)39    [3] ZPhysC21(1983)1

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$$\frac{d\Gamma(B_1 \rightarrow B_2 l \nu_l)}{dq^2} \propto G_F^2 |V_{ij}|^2 q^2 p \left[ \left(1 - \frac{3}{2}\delta\right) (F_1^V)^2 + \left(3 - \frac{9}{2}\delta\right) (F_1^A)^2 - 4\delta F_1^A F_2^A + \mathcal{O}(\delta^2) \right]$$

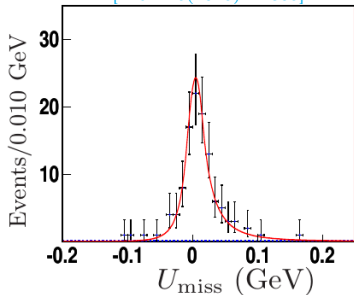
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# Study of decay $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda e^+ \nu_e$ (1)

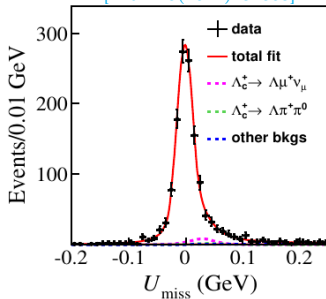


[PRL115(2015)221805]



- **Data:** 0.567/fb @ 4.6 GeV
- $N_{\text{sig}} = 103.5 \pm 10.9$
- First absolute  $\mathcal{B}$  measurement:  
 $\mathcal{B} = (3.63 \pm 0.38 \pm 0.20)\% (\sim 12\%)$

[PRL129(2022)231803]



- **Data:** 4.5/fb @ 4.6-4.699 GeV
- $N_{\text{sig}} = 1253 \pm 39$
- Update  $\mathcal{B}$  and first FFs measurement:  
 $\mathcal{B} = (3.56 \pm 0.11 \pm 0.07)\% (\sim 4\%)$

$$|V_{cs}| = 0.936 \pm 0.017_{\mathcal{B}} \pm 0.024_{\text{LQCD}} \pm 0.007_{\tau_{\Lambda_c}}$$

- Consistent with  $|V_{cs}| = 0.939/0.972 \pm 0.038/0.007$  using  $D \rightarrow Kl\nu_l$  within  $1\sigma$   
[\[PDG2020/PGD2023\]](#)

# Study of SL $\Lambda_c^+$ decay kinematics

[PRL129(2022)231803]



- Differential decay rate:

$$\frac{d^4\Gamma}{dq^2 d\cos\theta_e d\cos\theta_p d\chi} = \frac{G_F^2 |V_{cs}|^2}{2(2\pi)^4} \frac{Pq^2}{24M_{\Lambda_c}^2} \times$$
$$\left\{ \frac{3}{8} (1 - \cos\theta_e)^2 |H_{\frac{1}{2}1}|^2 (1 + \alpha_\Lambda \cos\theta_p) + \frac{3}{8} (1 + \cos\theta_e)^2 |H_{-\frac{1}{2}-1}|^2 (1 - \alpha_\Lambda \cos\theta_p) \right.$$
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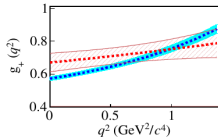
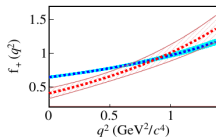
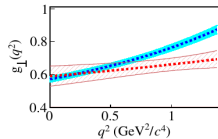
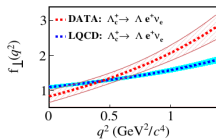
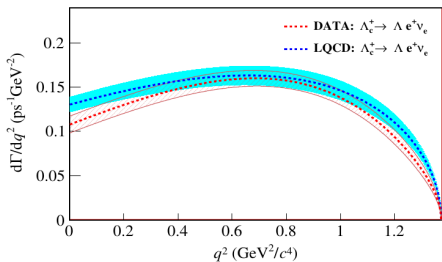
$$H_{\frac{1}{2}0}^V = \sqrt{Q_-/q^2} f_+(q^2) (M_{\Lambda_c} + M_\Lambda),$$

$$H_{\frac{1}{2}0}^A = \sqrt{Q_+/q^2} g_+(q^2) (M_{\Lambda_c} - M_\Lambda)$$

- $z$ -expansion for form factor parametrization:

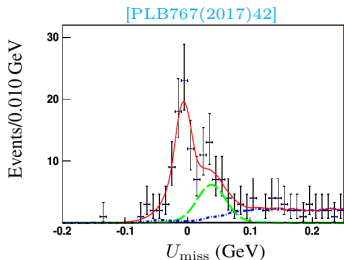
$$f(q^2) = \frac{a_0^f}{1 - q^2 / (m_{\text{pole}}^f)^2} \left[ 1 + \alpha_1^f \times z(q^2) \right]$$

- Used the same in LQCD calculations [PRL118(2017)082001]
- 5 fitted parameters:  $\alpha_1^{g_\perp}$ ,  $\alpha_1^{f_\perp}$ ,  $r_{f_+}$ ,  $r_{f_\perp}$ ,  $r_{g_+}$

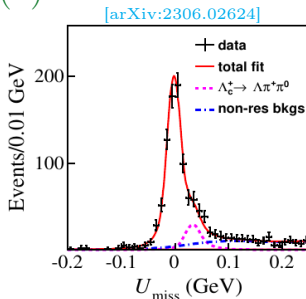


- First direct comparison on  $d\Gamma/dq^2$  rates and FFs with LQCD calculations
  - Discrepancies at high  $q^2$  for  $f_{\perp}$  and  $g_{\perp}$  and at low  $q^2$  for  $f_{+}$  and  $g_{+}$
  - Fair agreement in  $d\Gamma$  throughout  $q^2$  region
- Important inputs in understanding SL CB decays and help to calibrate theor. calculations

# Study of decay $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda \mu^+ \nu_\mu$ (1)



- **Data:** 0.567/fb @ 4.6 GeV
- $N_{\text{sig}} = 77.1 \pm 11.4$
- First absolute  $\mathcal{B}$  measurement:  
 $\mathcal{B} = (3.49 \pm 0.46 \pm 0.27)\%$  ( $\sim 15\%$ )
- $R^{\mu e} = 0.96 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.04$



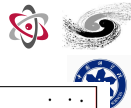
- **Data:** 4.5/fb @ 4.6-4.699 GeV
- $N_{\text{sig}} = 752 \pm 31$
- Update  $\mathcal{B}$  and first FFs measurement:  
 $\mathcal{B} = (3.48 \pm 0.14 \pm 0.10)\%$  ( $\sim 5\%$ )
- $R^{\mu e} = 0.98 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.03$  vs. **SM:** 0.97

$$|V_{cs}| = 0.937 \pm 0.014_{\mathcal{B}} \pm 0.024_{\text{LQCD}} \pm 0.007_{\tau_{\Lambda_c}}$$

- Most precise measurement with SL CB decays
- Consistent with  $|V_{cs}| = 0.972 \pm 0.007$  using  $D \rightarrow Kl\nu_l$  within  $1.2\sigma$  [PDG2023]

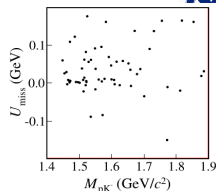
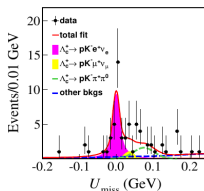
# Study of decay $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^- e^+ \nu_e$

[PRD106(2022)112010]



- **Data:** 4.5/fb @ 4.6-4.7 GeV
- $N_{\text{sig}} = 33.5 \pm 6.3$
- New observed mode clearly confirms that SL  $\Lambda_c^+$  decays are not saturated by  $\Lambda l^+ \nu_l$

$$\mathcal{B} = (0.88 \pm 0.17 \pm 0.07) \cdot 10^{-3} \quad (8.2\sigma)$$



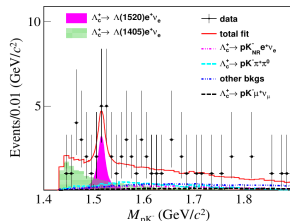
- To study the internal structure of excited  $\Lambda^*$ :

$$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda(1520)[\rightarrow pK^-]e^+ \nu_e) = (0.23 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.02) \cdot 10^{-3} \quad (3.3\sigma)$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda(1405)[\rightarrow pK^-]e^+ \nu_e) = (0.42 \pm 0.19 \pm 0.04) \cdot 10^{-3} \quad (3.2\sigma)$$

	$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda(1520)e^+ \nu_e) [\times 10^{-3}]$	$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda(1405)e^+ \nu_e) [\times 10^{-3}]$
Constituent quark model [8]	1.01	3.04
Molecular state [9]	...	0.02
Nonrelativistic quark model [10]	0.60	2.43
Lattice QCD [12, 13]	$0.512 \pm 0.082$	...
Measurement	$1.02 \pm 0.52 \pm 0.11$	$\frac{0.42 \pm 0.19 \pm 0.04}{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda(1405) \rightarrow pK^-)}$

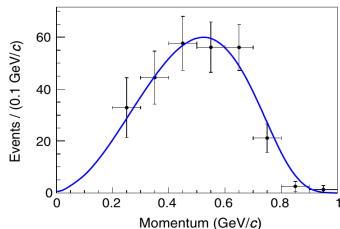
$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda(1405) \rightarrow pK^-)$  is unknown [PDG2020]



# Study of decay $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow X e^+ \nu_e$

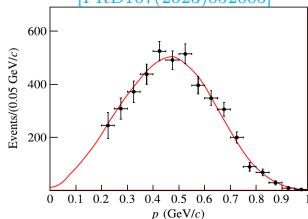


[PRL121(2018)251801]



- **Data:** 0.567/fb @ 4.6 GeV
- $N_{\text{sig}} = 228.0 \pm 15.1$

[PRD107(2023)052005]



- **Data:** 4.5/fb @ 4.6-4.699 GeV
- $N_{\text{sig}} = 3706 \pm 71$

Result	$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow X e^+ \nu_e$	$[\Gamma(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow X e^+ \nu_e) / \bar{\Gamma}(D \rightarrow X e^+ \nu_e)]$
BESIII 2018	$3.95 \pm 0.35$ (~ 9%)	$1.26 \pm 0.12$
BESIII 2023	$4.06 \pm 0.13$ (~ 3%)	$1.28 \pm 0.05$
MARK II [11]	$4.5 \pm 1.7$	$1.44 \pm 0.54$
Effective-quark method [8,9]		1.67
Heavy-quark expansion [10]		1.2

- $\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ \nu_e) < 3.9 \cdot 10^{-4}$  @90%C.L.
- $\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p K_S^0 \pi^- e^+ \nu_e) < 3.3 \cdot 10^{-4}$  @90%C.L.

[PLB843(2023)137993]



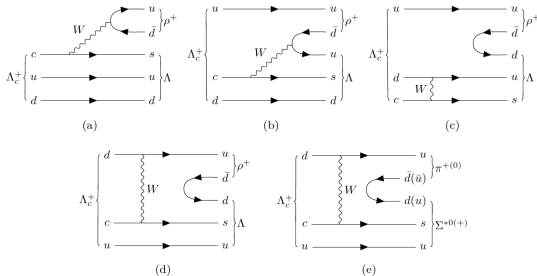
# Hadronic decay modes



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# Study of decay $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^+ \pi^0$ (1)

[JHEP12(2022)033]



- $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda \rho^+$ : **factorizable (a)** and **non-factorizable (b-d)** contributions
- $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma(1385)\pi$ : pure **non-factorizable (e)** contribution

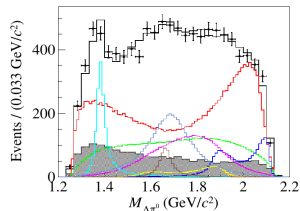
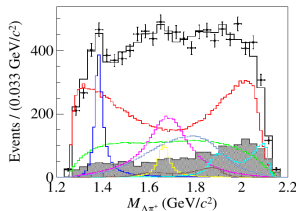
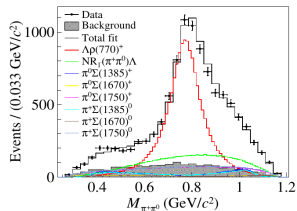
- Previous measurement of  $\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^+ \pi^0)$  by BESIII [PRL116(2016)052001] without intermediate structure study
- Important inputs to improve theoretical calculations of non-factorizable contributions
- First BESIII amplitude analysis of CB multi-hadronic decays
- Use **TF-PWA package** to construct decay amplitudes

# Study of decay $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^+ \pi^0$ (2)

[JHEP12(2022)033]



- **Data:** 4.4/fb @ 4.6-4.7 GeV
- $N_{\text{sig}} \sim 10^4$  with purity  $> 80\%$

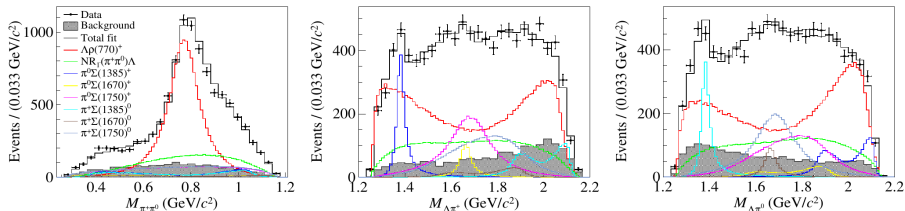


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[JHEP12(2022)033]



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	Theoretical calculation		This work	PDG	FF (%)	Significance
$10^2 \times \mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda \rho(770)^+)$	$4.81 \pm 0.58$ [13]	$4.0$ [14,15]	$4.06 \pm 0.52$	$< 6$	$57.2 \pm 4.2$	$36.9 \sigma$
$10^3 \times \mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma(1385)^+ \pi^0)$	$2.8 \pm 0.4$ [16]	$2.2 \pm 0.4$ [17]	$5.86 \pm 0.80$	—	$7.18 \pm 0.60$	$14.8 \sigma$
$10^3 \times \mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma(1385)^0 \pi^+)$	$2.8 \pm 0.4$ [16]	$2.2 \pm 0.4$ [17]	$6.47 \pm 0.96$	—	$7.92 \pm 0.72$	$16.0 \sigma$
$\alpha_{\Lambda \rho(770)^+}$	$-0.27 \pm 0.04$ [13]	$-0.32$ [14,15]	$-0.763 \pm 0.070$	—		
$\alpha_{\Sigma(1385)^+ \pi^0}$	$-0.91^{+0.45}_{-0.10}$ [17]		$-0.917 \pm 0.089$	—		
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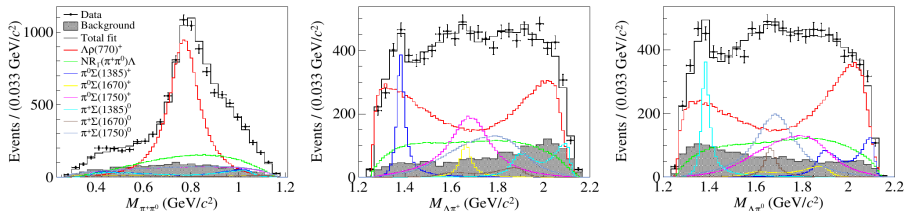
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# Study of decay $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^+ \pi^0$ (2)

[JHEP12(2022)033]



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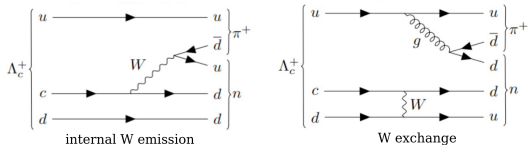
- First measurement of decay asymmetry parameters for resonant components
- None of theoretical predictions explains both  $\mathcal{B}$  and decay asymmetry

# Study of decay $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow n\pi^+$ (1)

[PRL128(2022)142001]

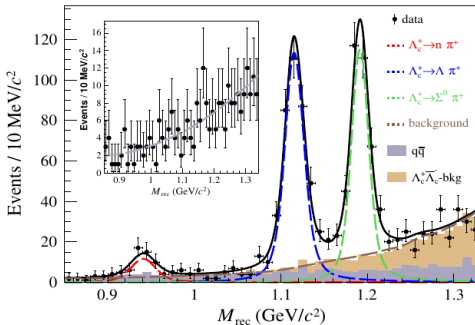


non-factorizable contribution



- SCS decays provide information about factorizable and non-factorizable interference
- Exp. inputs are required to improve understanding of validity of different theor. models

- **Data:** 3.9/fb @ 4.612-4.7 GeV
- $N_{\text{sig}}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow n\pi^+) = 50 \pm 9$
- $N_{\text{sig}}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^+) = 376 \pm 22$
- $N_{\text{sig}}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^0\pi^+) = 343 \pm 22$



# Study of decay $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow n\pi^+$ (2)

[PRL128(2022)142001]



Theoretical models	$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow n\pi^+) \times 10^{-4}$	$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow n\pi^+) / \mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\pi^0)$
SU(3) flavor symmetry (1997) [1]	4	2
(2016) [2]	9	2
(2018) [3]	$11.3 \pm 2.9$	2
Constituent quark (1994) [4]	8 or 9	4.5 or 8.0
Pole model and CA (2018) [5]	2.66	3.5
SU(3) + $\mathcal{O}(\overline{15})$ (2019) [6]	$6.1 \pm 2.0$	4.7
Topological-diagram (2020) [7]	$7.7 \pm 2.0$	9.6

$$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow n\pi^+) = (6.6 \pm 1.2 \pm 0.4) \cdot 10^{-4}$$

- $\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^+) = (1.31 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.05) \cdot 10^{-2}$
- $\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^0\pi^+) = (1.22 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.07) \cdot 10^{-2}$
- Use  $\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\pi^0) < 8.0 \cdot 10^{-5}$  @90% C.L. by Belle [PRD103(2021)072004]

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow n\pi^+)}{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\pi^0)} > 7.2 \text{ @90\% C.L.}$$

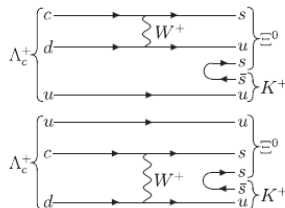
- Disagreement with most predictions of theor. models, implying that non-factorization contributions are overestimated

# Study of decay $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Xi^0 K^+$ (1)

[PRL132(2024)031801]



- Significant dependence on non-factorizable contributions from  $W$ -boson-exchange diagrams  $\rightarrow$  differ from charmed mesons (helicity suppressed)
- **Goal:** measurement of asymmetry parameter and decay dynamic parameters



Theory or experiment	$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Xi^0 K^+) (\times 10^{-3})$	$\alpha_{\Xi^0 K^+}$	$ A  (\times 10^{-2} G_F \text{ GeV}^2)$	$ B  (\times 10^{-2} G_F \text{ GeV}^2)$	$\delta_p - \delta_s \text{ (rad)}$
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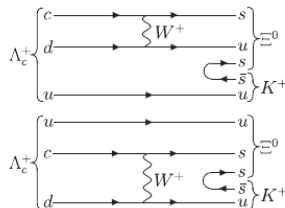


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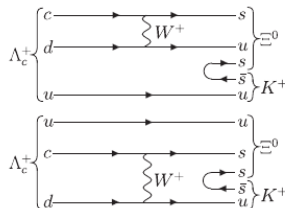
Explained as strong cancellation in S- and P-wave amplitudes, corresponding to L=0 and L=1 orbital angular momenta of  $\Xi^0 - K^+$  system

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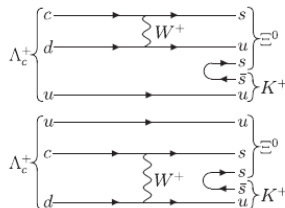
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Reproduction of relatively large exp. Br introduces large positive decay asymmetry

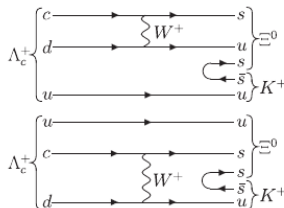
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Theory or experiment	$B(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Xi^0 K^+) (\times 10^{-3})$	$\alpha_{\Xi^0 K^+}$	$ A  (\times 10^{-2} G_F \text{ GeV}^2)$	$ B  (\times 10^{-2} G_F \text{ GeV}^2)$	$\delta_p - \delta_s (\text{rad})$
Körner (1992), CCQM [7]	2.6	0			
Xu (1992), Pole [8]	1.0	0			
Żencaykowski (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]	$5.7 \pm 0.9$	$0.94^{+0.06}_{-0.11}$	$2.7 \pm 0.6$	$16.1 \pm 2.6$	...
Zou (2020), CA [6]	7.1	0.90	4.48	12.10	...
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]	$5.0^{+0.6}_{-0.9}$	$0.99 \pm 0.01$			
BESIII (2018) [14]	$5.90 \pm 0.86 \pm 0.39$	...			
PDG fit (2022) [2]	$5.5 \pm 0.7$	...			

Reproduction of relatively large exp. Br introduces large positive decay asymmetry

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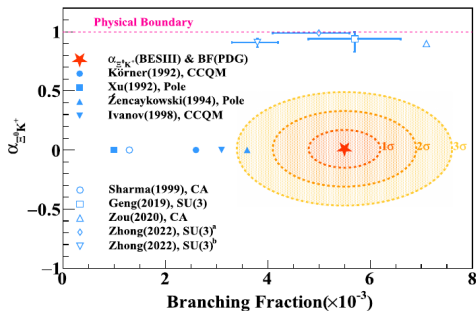
- **Data:** 4.4/fb @ 4.6-4.7 GeV
- $N_{\text{sig}} = 378 \pm 21$
- First measurement of decay parameters
- Value of  $\alpha_{\Xi^0 K^+}$  is consistent with theor. predictions from 1990s

$$\alpha_{\Xi^0 K^+} = 0.01 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.03$$

$$\Delta_{\Xi^0 K^+} = 3.84 \pm 0.90 \pm 0.17 \text{ rad}$$

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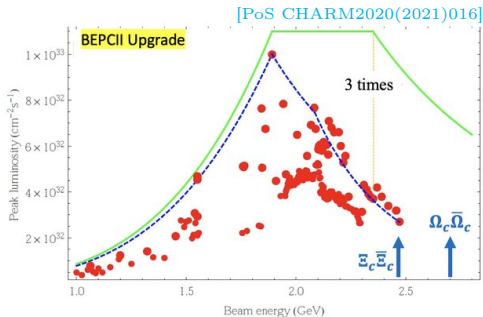


- Neutron-involved decays
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- Inclusive decays
  - Absolute  $\mathcal{B}$  of  $\bar{\Lambda}_c^- \rightarrow \bar{n}X$  [[PRD108\(2023\)L031101](#)]
- Rare decays
  - Search for  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^+\gamma$  [[PRD107\(2023\)052002](#)]
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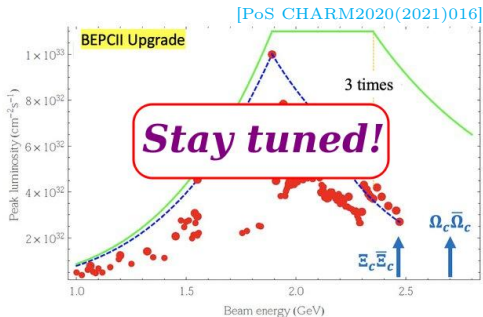


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# $V_{cs}$ using decay $D \rightarrow K \nu_l$



- SL decays involve interaction of leptonic current with hadronic current

$$\mathcal{M} = -i \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{cs} L^\mu H_\mu$$

- Hadronic current when final state is pseudoscalar:

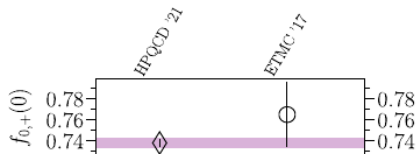
$$H_\mu = \langle K(p) | \bar{s} \gamma_\mu c | D(p') \rangle = f_+(q^2) \left[ (p' + p)_\mu - \frac{m_D^2 - m_K^2}{q^2} q_\mu \right] + f_0(q^2) \frac{m_D^2 - m_K^2}{q^2} q_\mu$$

- Kinematics require:  $f_+(0) = f_0(0)$ . For  $e$ -mode only  $f_+(q^2)$  is relevant
- Differential partial width:

$$\frac{d\Gamma(D \rightarrow K l \nu_l)}{dq^2} \propto G_F^2 |V_{cs}|^2 p^{*3} |f_+(q^2)|^2$$

- Many different  $f_+(q^2)$  parametrizations

Parameter	2021	2023
$ V_{cs}  f_+^{DK}(0)$	0.7180(33) <sup>[1]</sup>	
$f_+^{DK}(0)$	0.765(31) <sup>[2]</sup>	0.7385(44) <sup>[3]</sup>
$ V_{cs} ^{D \rightarrow K l \nu_l}$	0.939(38) <sup>[4]</sup>	0.972(7) <sup>[5]</sup>
$ V_{cs}  \Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda e^+ \nu_e$	0.936(30) <sup>[6]</sup>	



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[1] [HFLAV2021] [2] [PRD96(2017)054514]

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