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The invariant and helicity amplitudes in the transitions $\Lambda_b \to \Lambda^*(\frac{1}{2}^{\pm}, \frac{3}{2}^{\pm}) + J/\psi$.

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I present results for the invariant and helicity amplitudes in the transitions $\Lambda_b \to \Lambda^*(J^P) + J/\psi$ where $\Lambda^*(J^P)$ are sud-resonances with $J^{P} = \frac{1}{2}^{\pm}, \frac{3}{2}^{\pm}$. The calculations are performed in the framework of our covariant confined quark model. We find that the values of the helicity amplitudes for the $\Lambda^*(1520,\ \frac{3}{2}^-)$ and $\Lambda^*(1890, \frac{3}{2}^+)$ are suppressed compared with those for the ground state $\Lambda(1116, \frac{1}{2}^+)$ and $\Lambda^*(1405, \frac{1}{2}^-)$. This analysis is important for the identification of the charmed pentaquark P_c^+ since the cascade decay $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda^*(\frac{3}{2}^{\pm})(\rightarrow pK^-) + J/\psi.$ involves the same final states as the decay $\Lambda_b^0 \to P_c^+(\to p K^-) + J/\psi.$ I also discuss polarization effects in the cascade decay

 $\Lambda_b \to \Lambda(1116) (\to p\pi^-) + J/\psi (\to \ell^+ \ell^-).$ This analysis was published in [1].

[1] T. Gutsche, M. A. Ivanov, J. G. K\"orner, V. E. Lyubovitskij and P. Santorelli, Phys.\ Rev.\ D {\bf 88}, no. 11, 114018 (2013)

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