

# On a possibility of baryonic exotica

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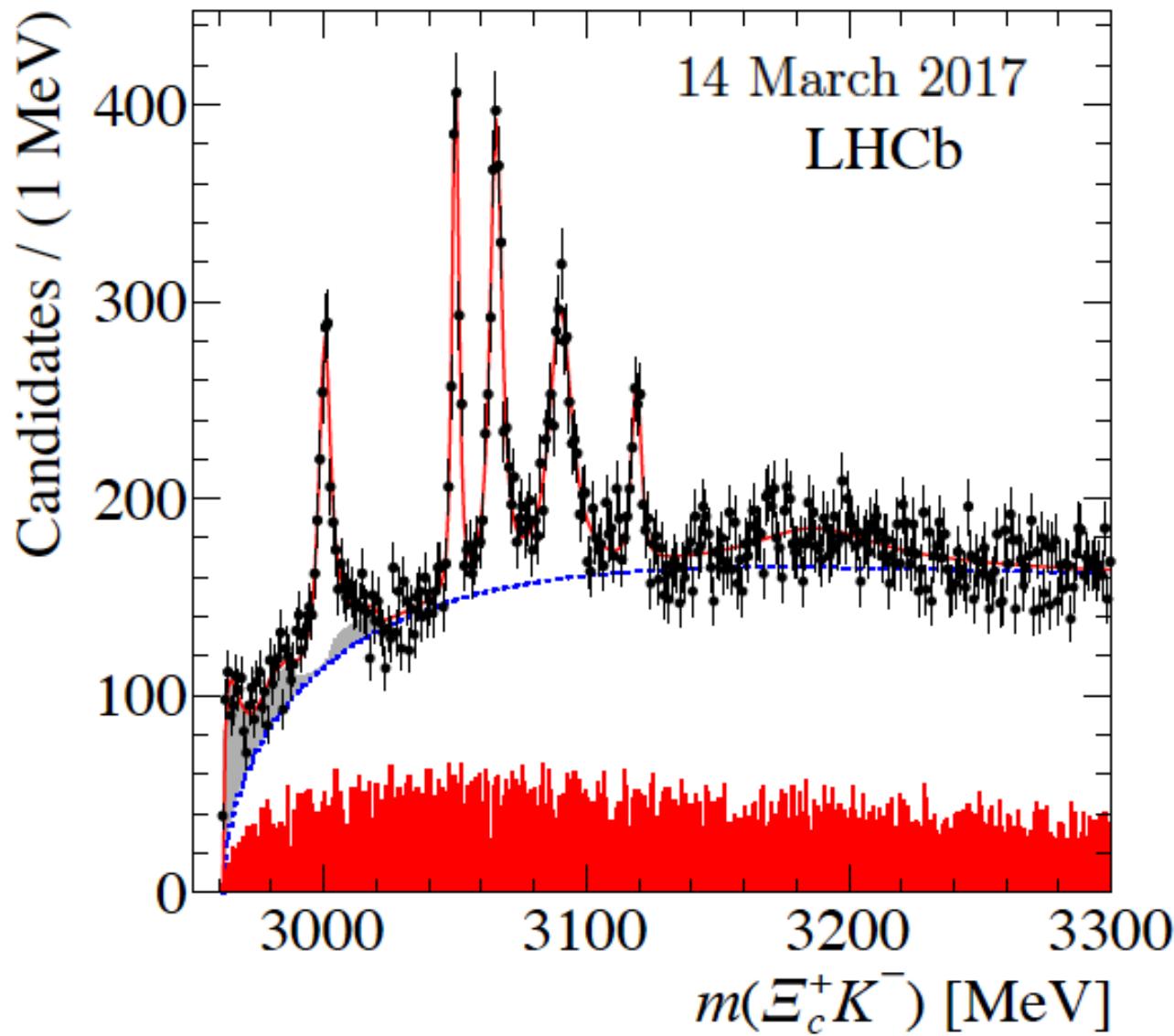
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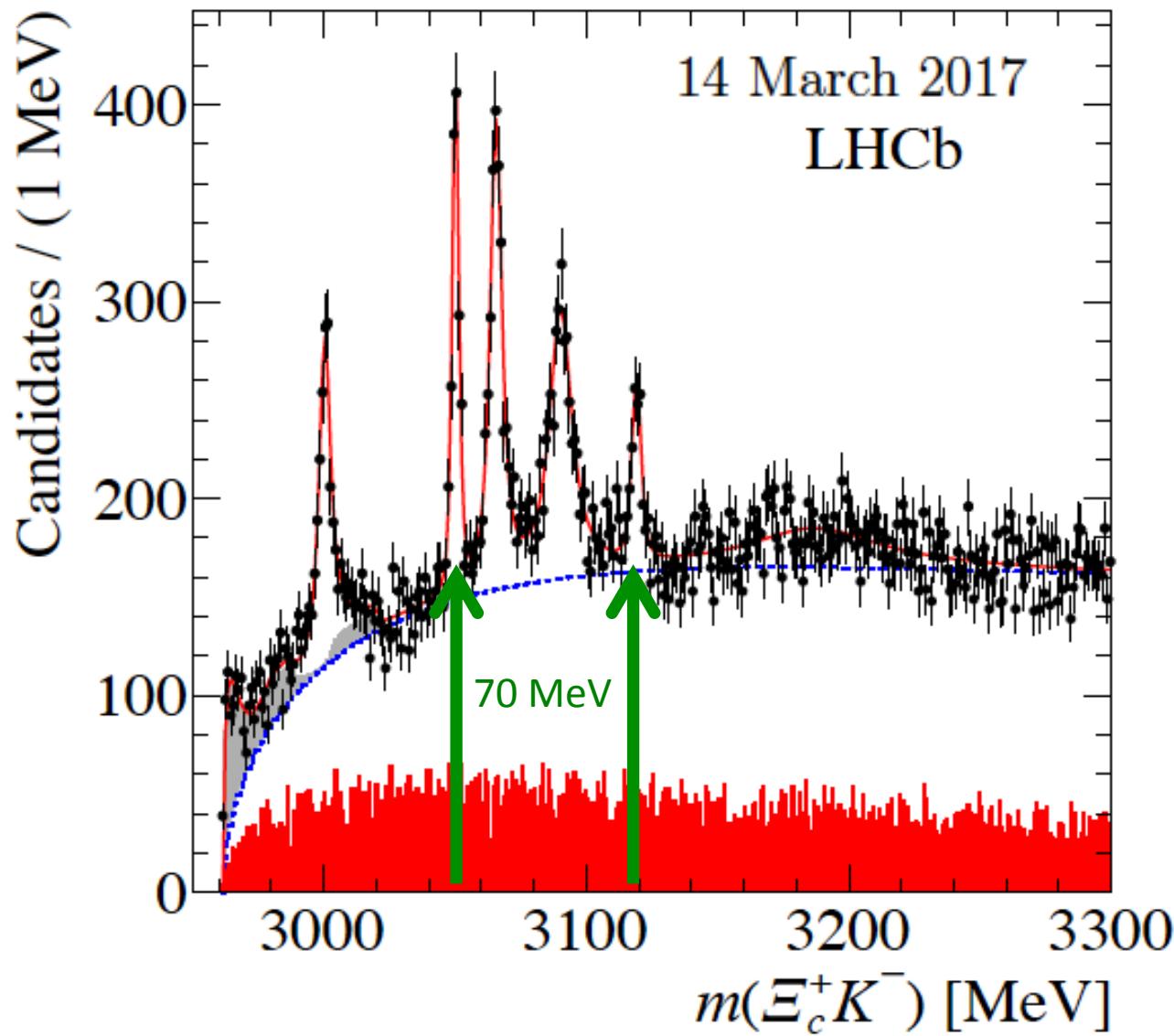
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Resonance	Mass ( MeV)	$\Gamma$ ( MeV)
$\Omega_c(3000)^0$	$3000.4 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.1^{+0.3}_{-0.5}$	$4.5 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.3$
$\Omega_c(3050)^0$	$3050.2 \pm 0.1 \pm 0.1^{+0.3}_{-0.5}$	<u><math>0.8 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.1</math></u>
	<b>70 MeV</b>	$< 1.2 \text{ MeV, 95\% CL}$
$\Omega_c(3066)^0$	$3065.6 \pm 0.1 \pm 0.3^{+0.3}_{-0.5}$	$3.5 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.2$
$\Omega_c(3090)^0$	$3090.2 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.5^{+0.3}_{-0.5}$	$8.7 \pm 1.0 \pm 0.8$
$\Omega_c(3119)^0$	$3119.1 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.9^{+0.3}_{-0.5}$	<u><math>1.1 \pm 0.8 \pm 0.4</math></u>
		$< 2.6 \text{ MeV, 95\% CL}$
$\Omega_c(3188)^0$	$3188 \pm 5 \pm 13$	$60 \pm 15 \pm 11$

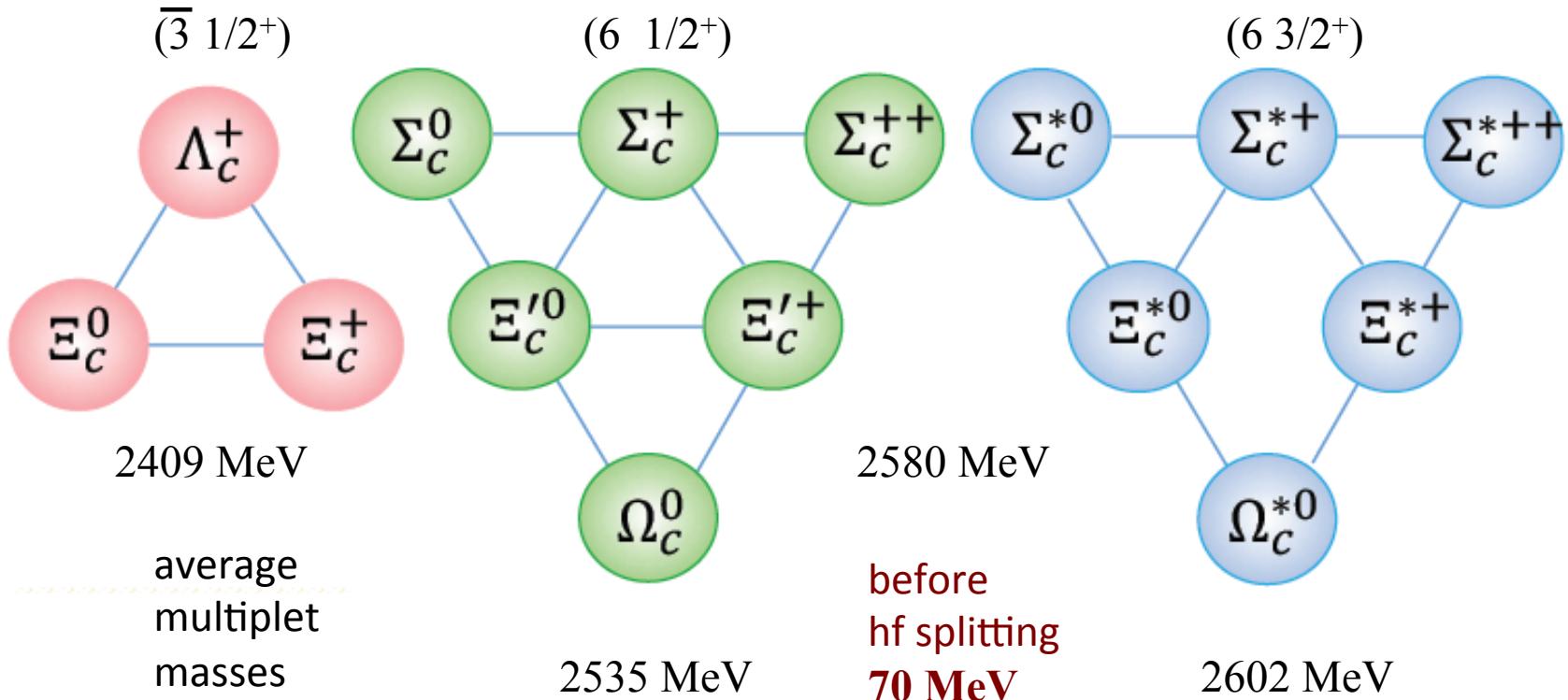
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# Reminder

# Heavy baryon ground states

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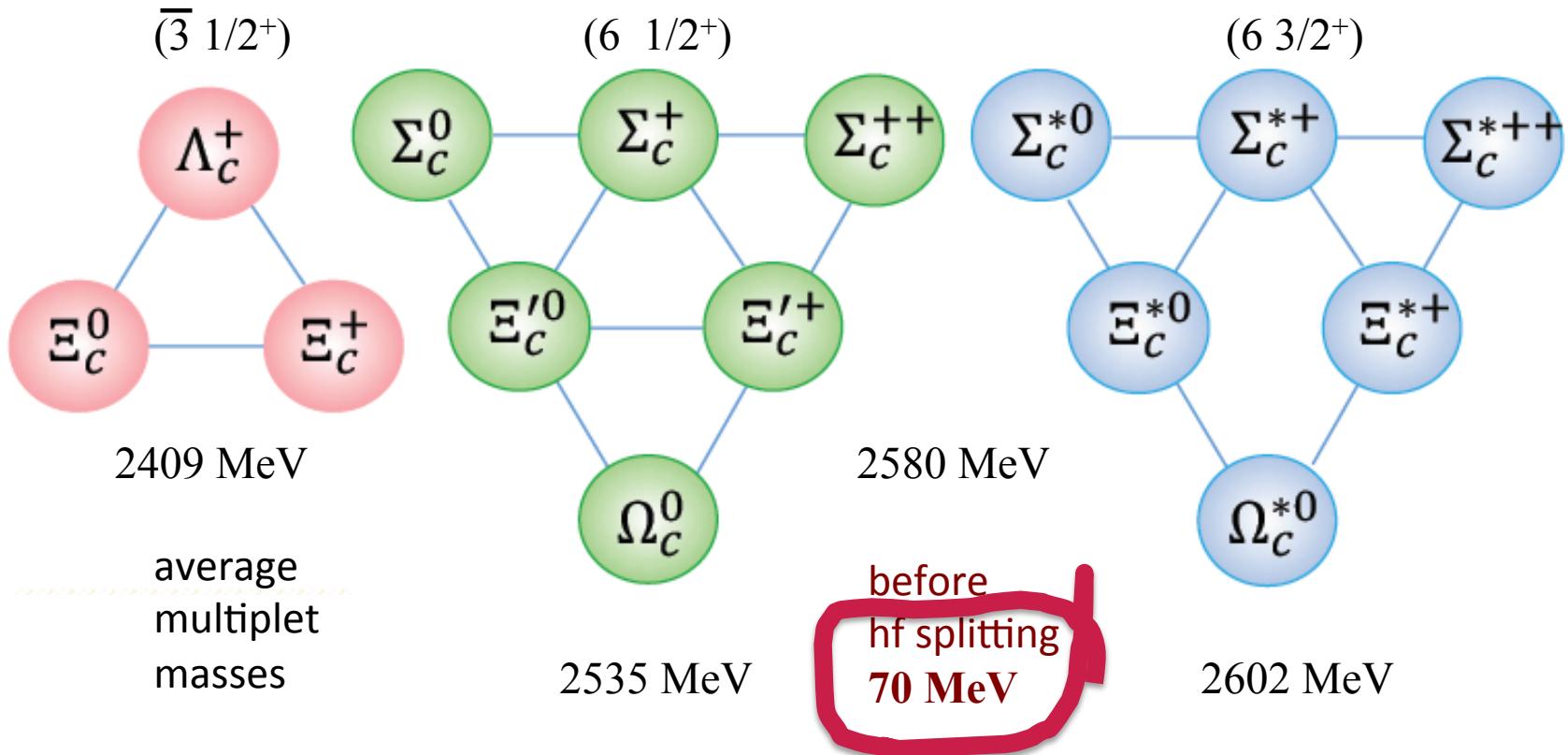


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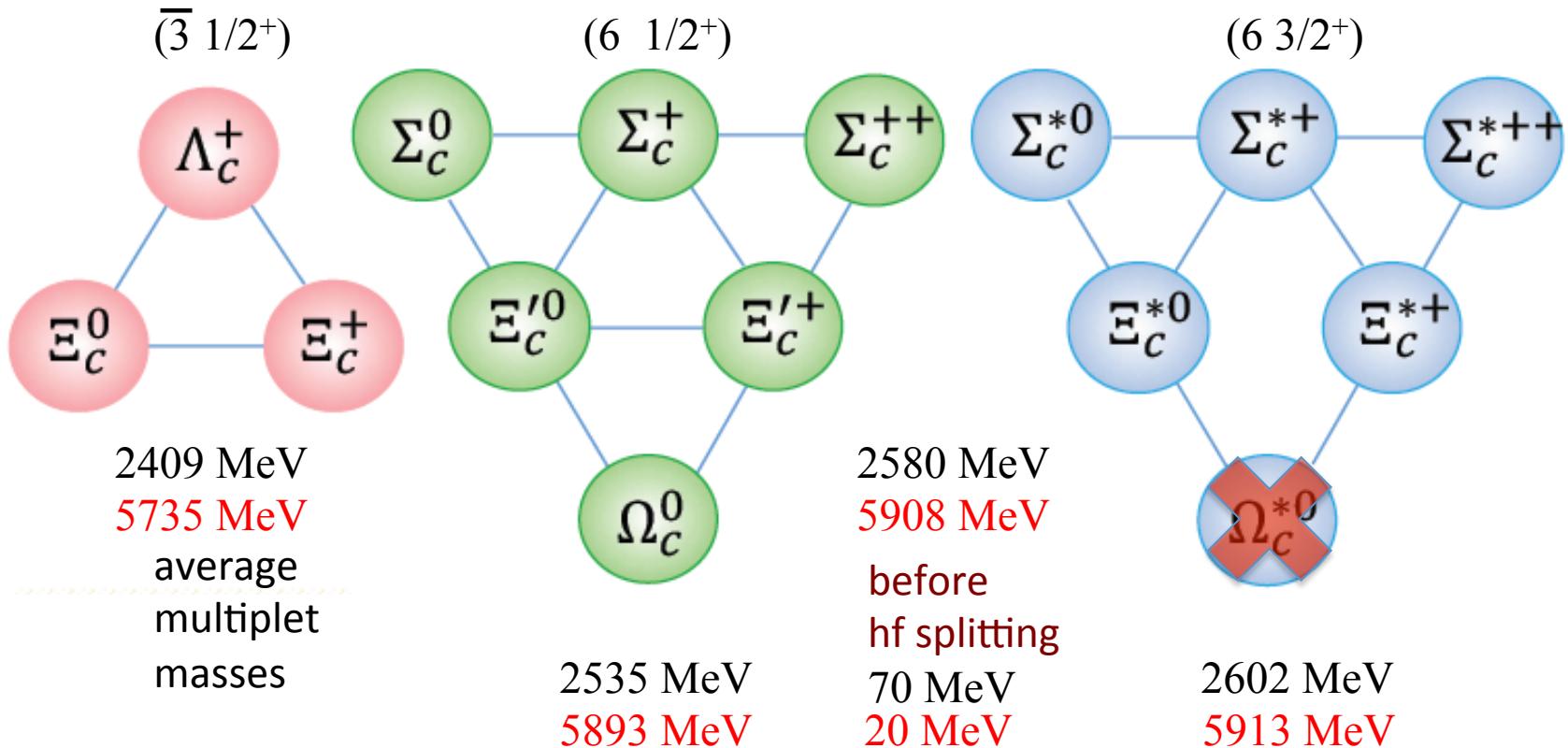


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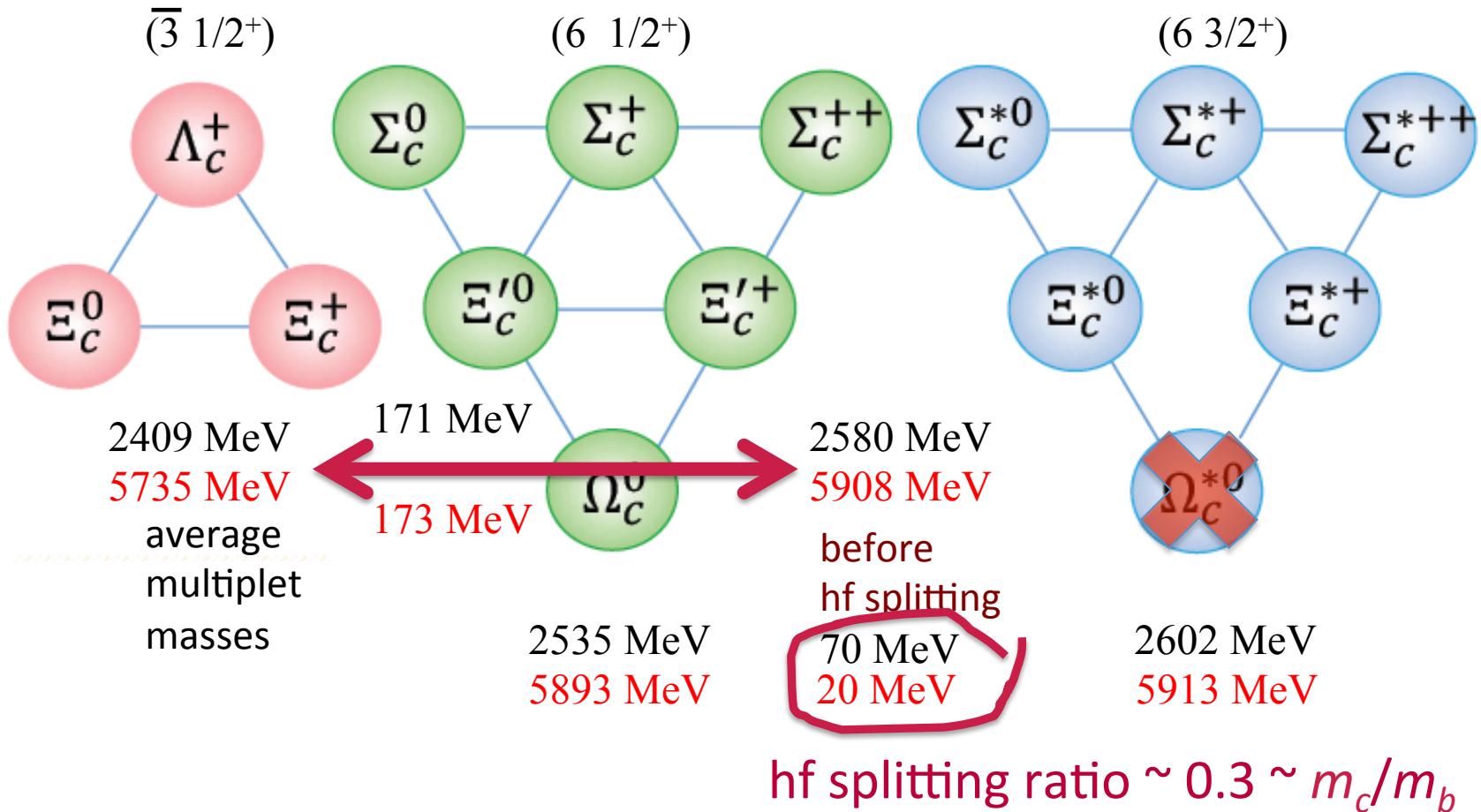
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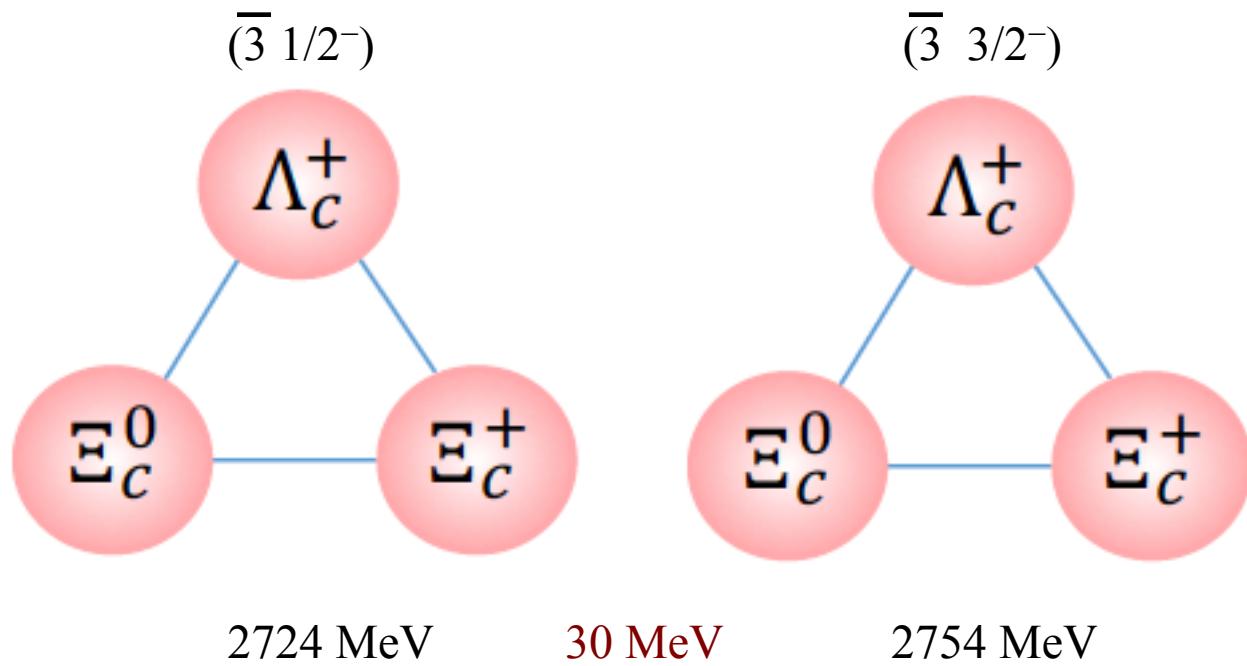
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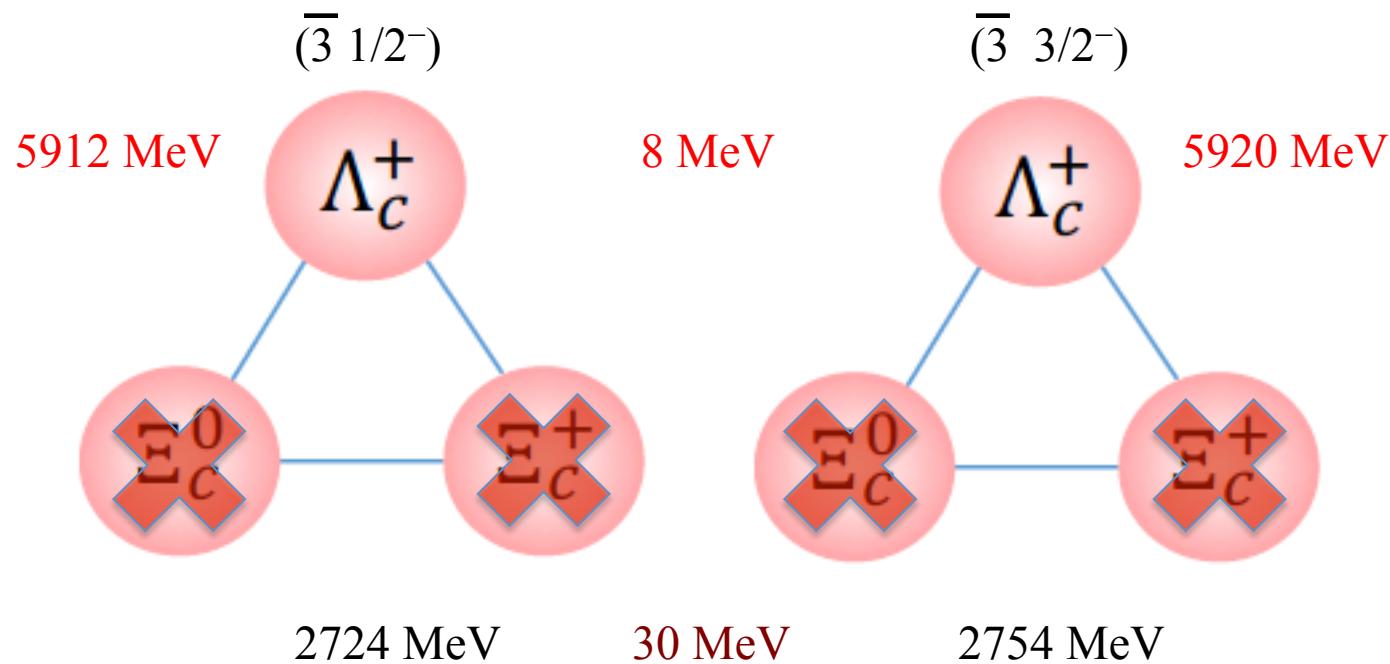
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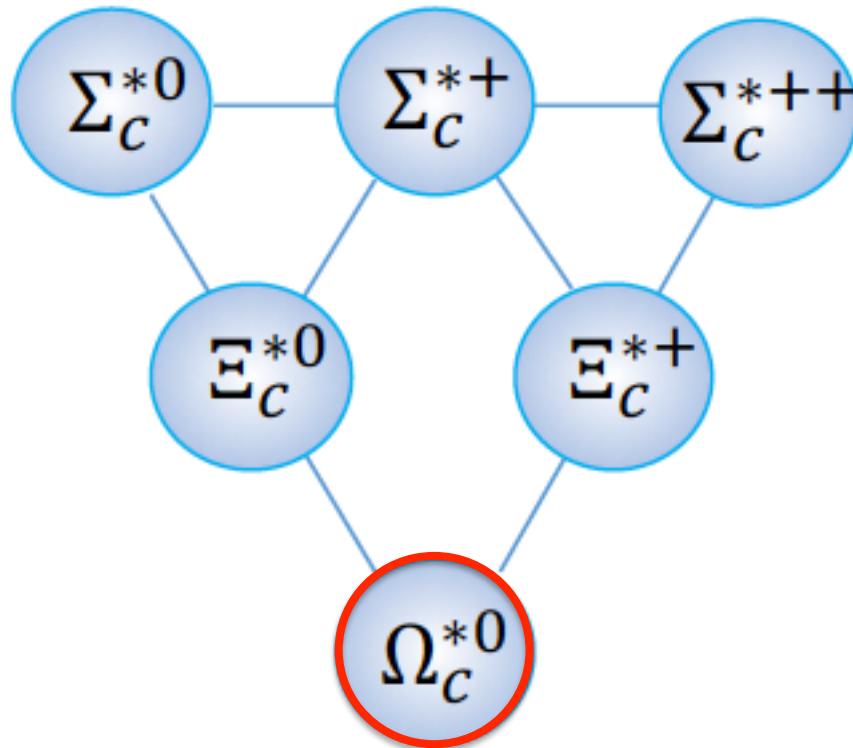
$$s = 0 \text{ diquark} + s = 1/2 \text{ HQ} + L = 1$$

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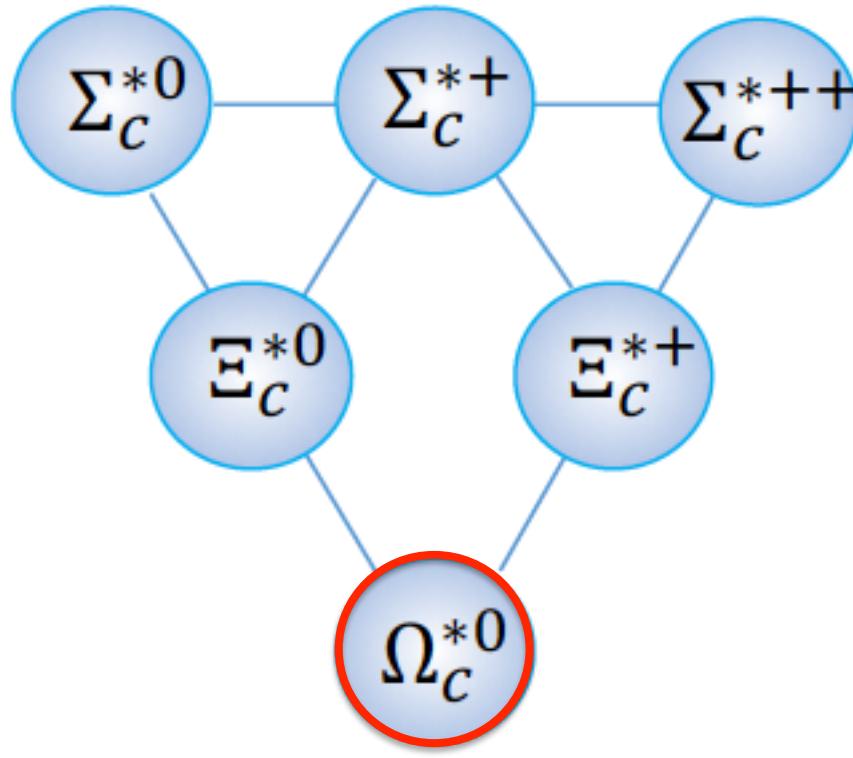
not much known in the bottom sector

# Sextet excitations $1/2^-$ and $3/2^-$ ?



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however:  
one has to fit both  
masses  
and  
widths

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- different approaches:**
- quark and quark-diquark models**
  - quarks + resonating group method**
  - chiral quark models**
  - QCD sum rules**
  - lattice phenomenology**
  - holographic QCD**
- outcome:**
- s – wave and p – wave excitations**
  - both positive and negative parity**
  - pentaquarks**
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# **Chiral Quark-Soliton Model**

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- because it predicts small widths  
for some specific decays

# QCD: quarks and gluons



integrate out gluons

many quark nonlocal interactions

Lagrangian chirally symmetric



approximation:

manyq, nonl.  $\rightarrow$  4q, local

Nambu Jona Lasinio model

spontaneous chiral symmetry breaking



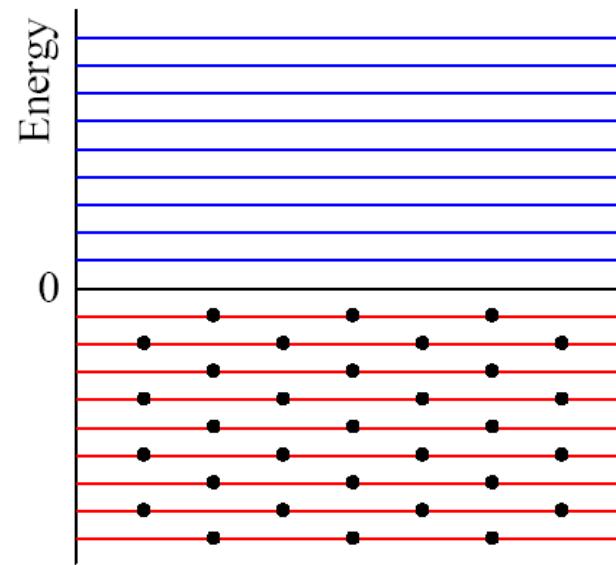
semibosonization:

$q\bar{q}q\bar{q} \rightarrow q\bar{q}\pi$

## Chiral Quark Model

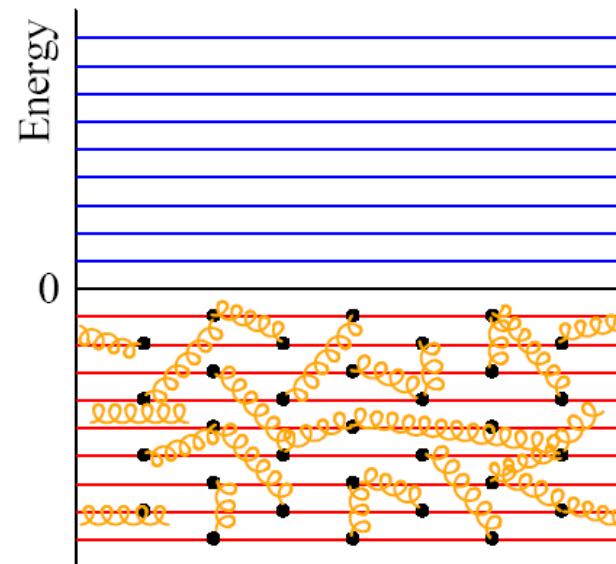
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QCD vacuum:



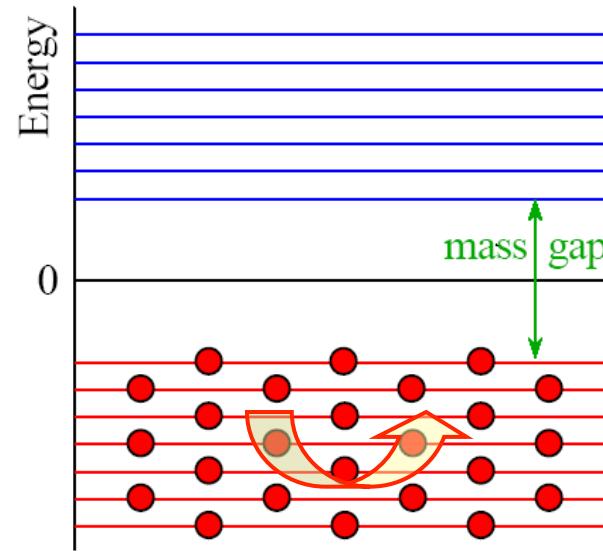
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chiral symmetry breaking:

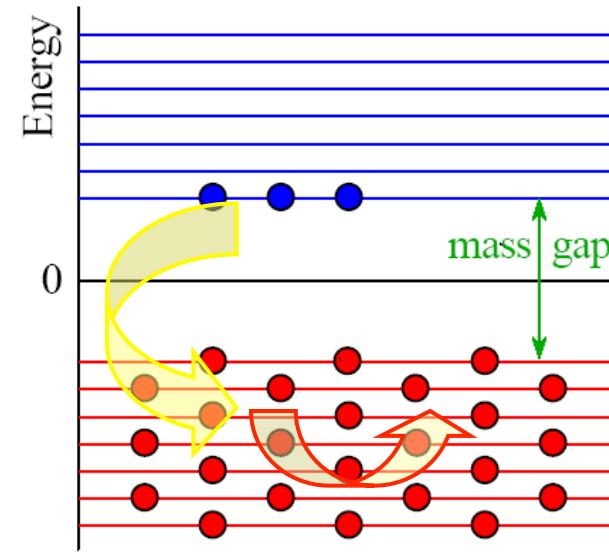


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baryon:

adding valence quarks:



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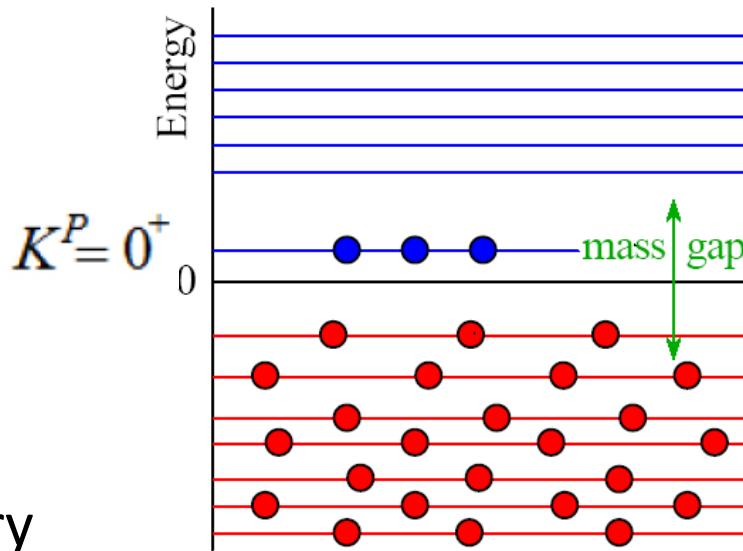
## baryon:

due to hedgehog symmetry  
of the mean field only  
**grand spin**

$$K = T + S$$

is a *good* quantum number

“classical” baryon:

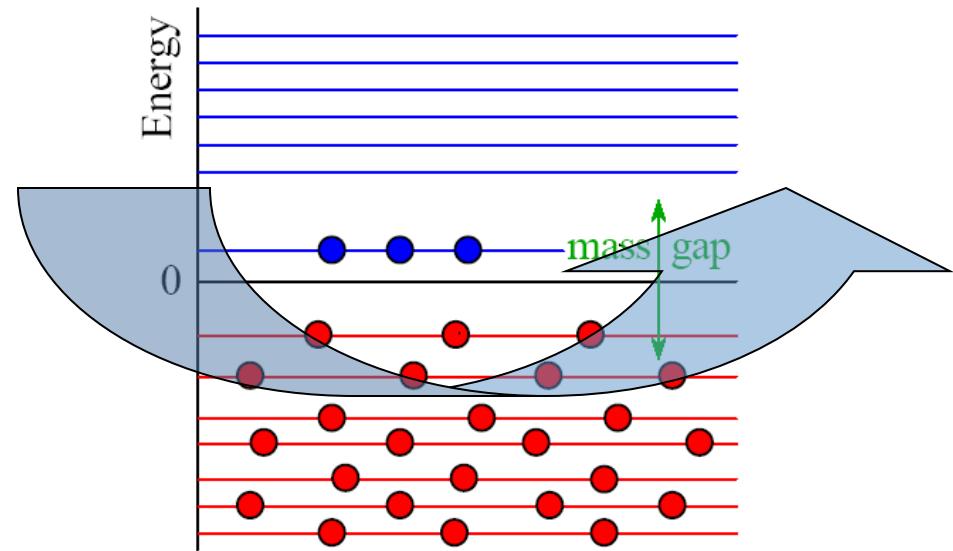


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"quantum" baryon:



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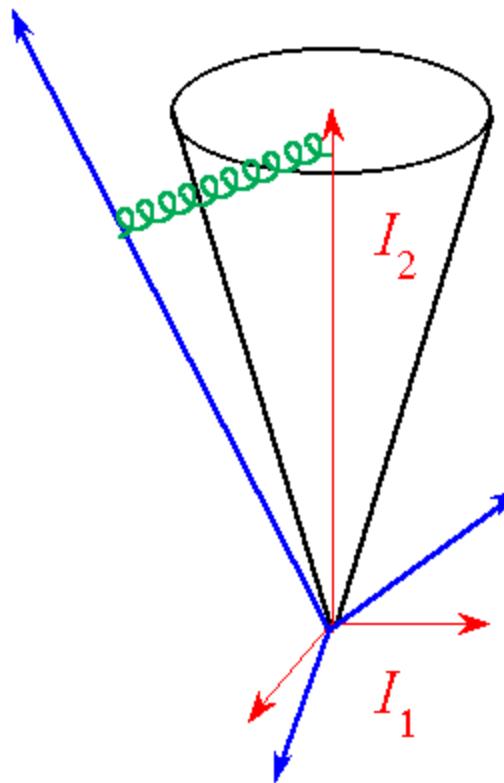
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rotation generates flavor and spin

# Mass formula

$$\pi_8 = N_c/2\sqrt{3}$$

$$H_0 = M_{\text{cl}} + \frac{1}{2I_1} S(S+1) + \frac{1}{2I_2} \left( C_2(\mathcal{R}) - S(S+1) - \frac{N_c^2}{12} \right)$$

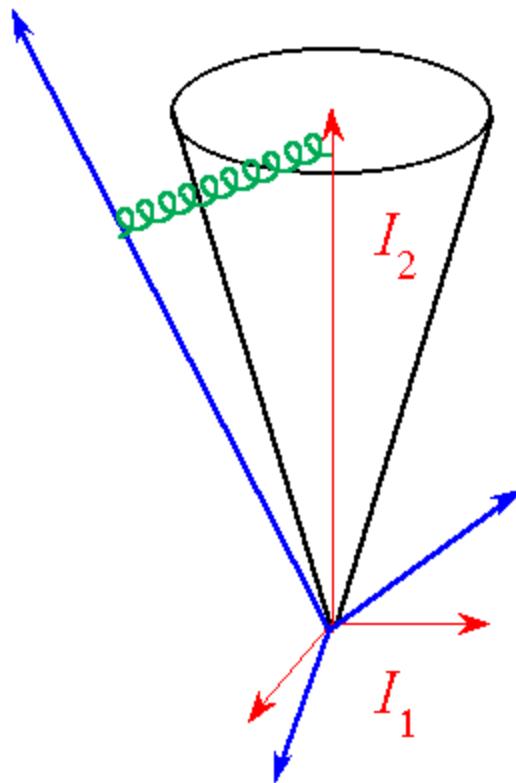


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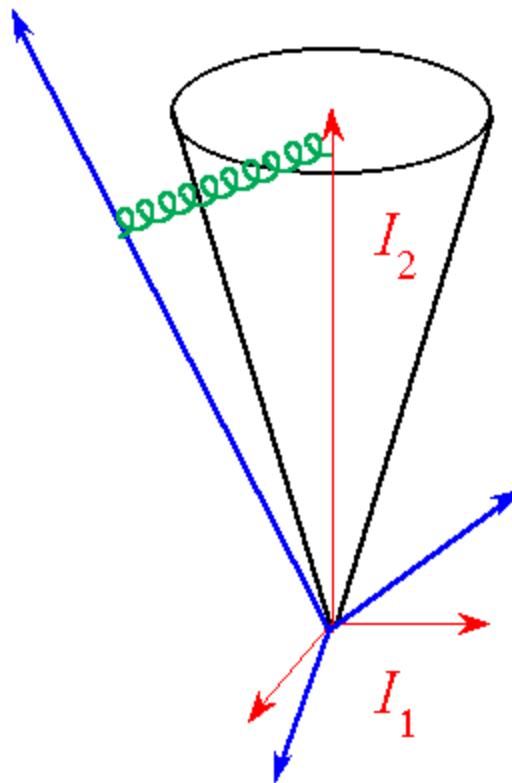
$O(1)$  corrections  
to  $M_{\text{cl}}$  do not allow  
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octet-decuplet splitting      ↑ known      ? ↑ exotic-nonexotic splittings



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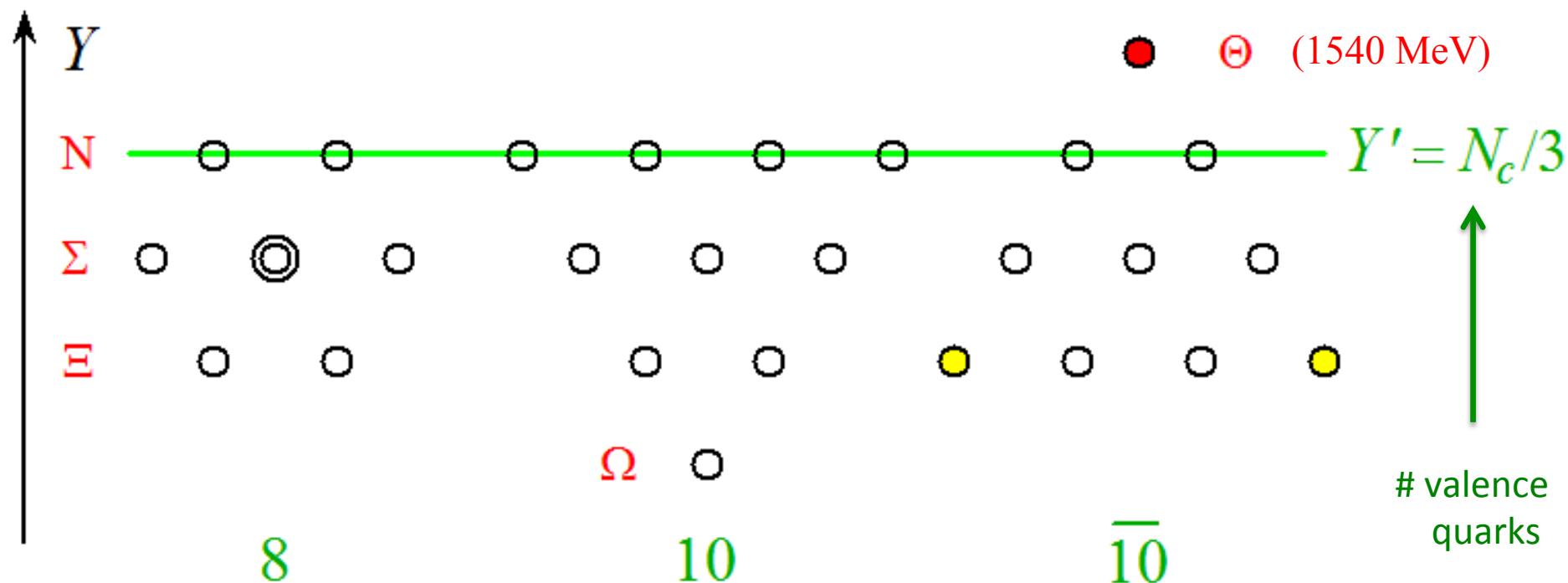
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# Allowed states

- allowed SU(3) representations must contain states with hypercharge  $Y' = N_c/3$ ,
- the isospin  $\mathbf{T}'$  of the states with  $Y' = N_c/3$  couples with the soliton spin  $\mathbf{J}$  to a singlet:  $\mathbf{T}' + \mathbf{J} = 0$ .



# Successful Phenomenology

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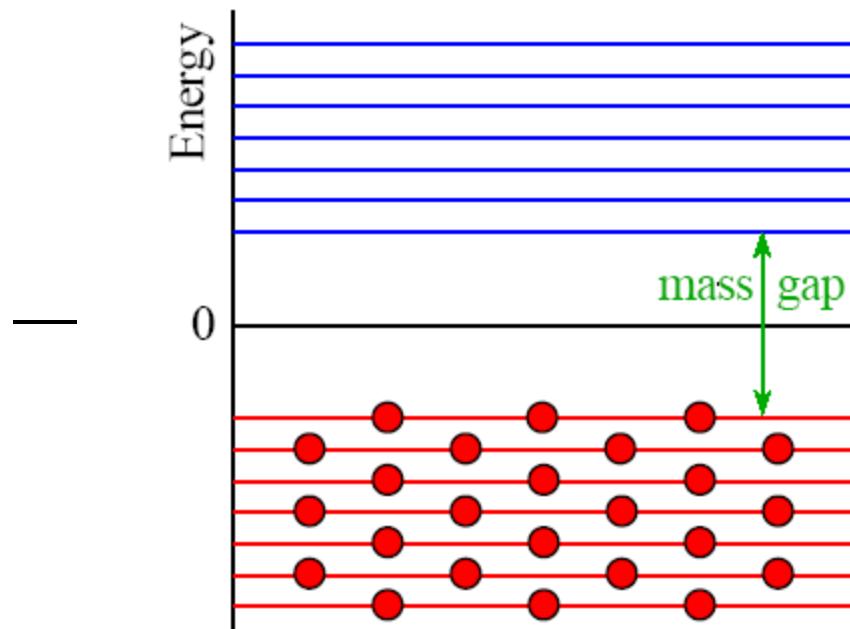
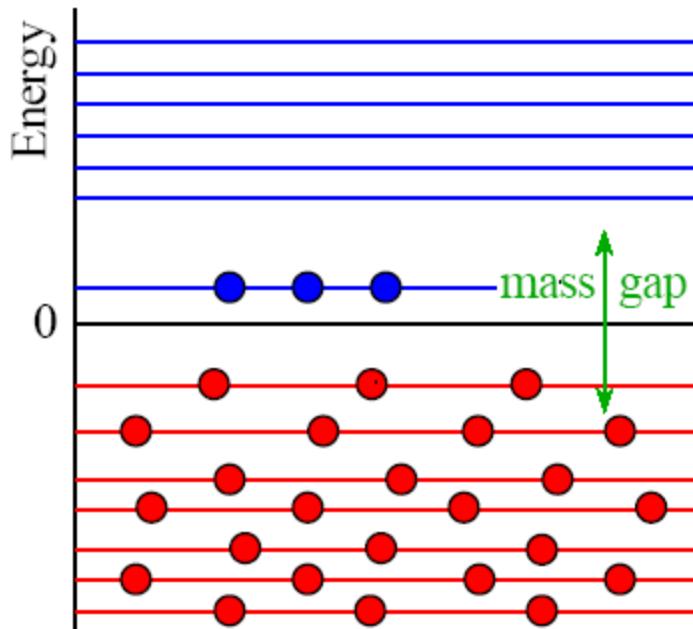
but also one can recover the NRQM result  
in a special limit

**NRQM limit =**  
**= squeezing the soliton to zero size**

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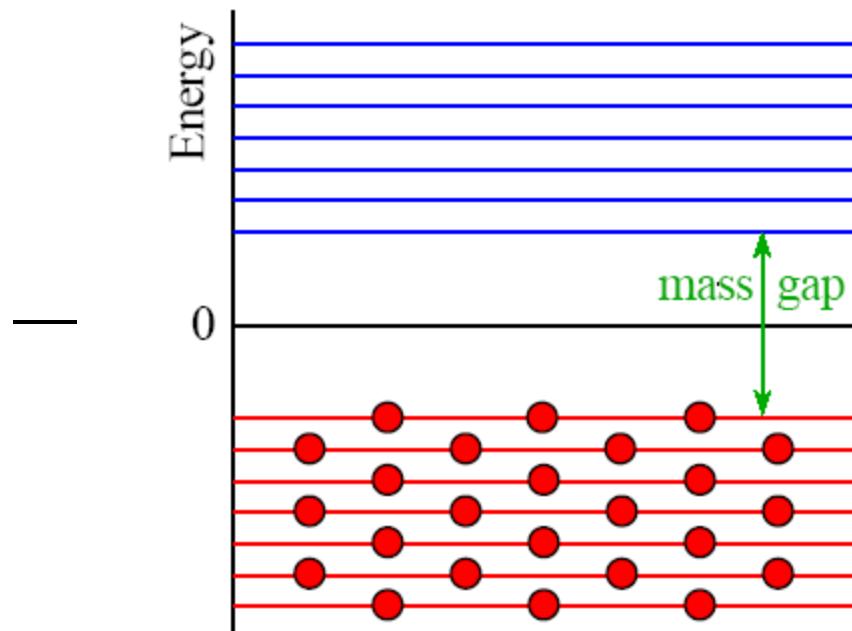
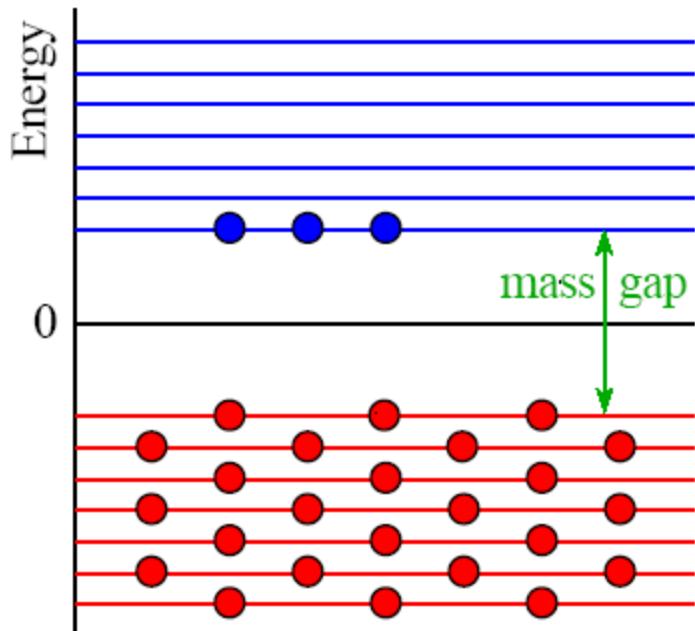
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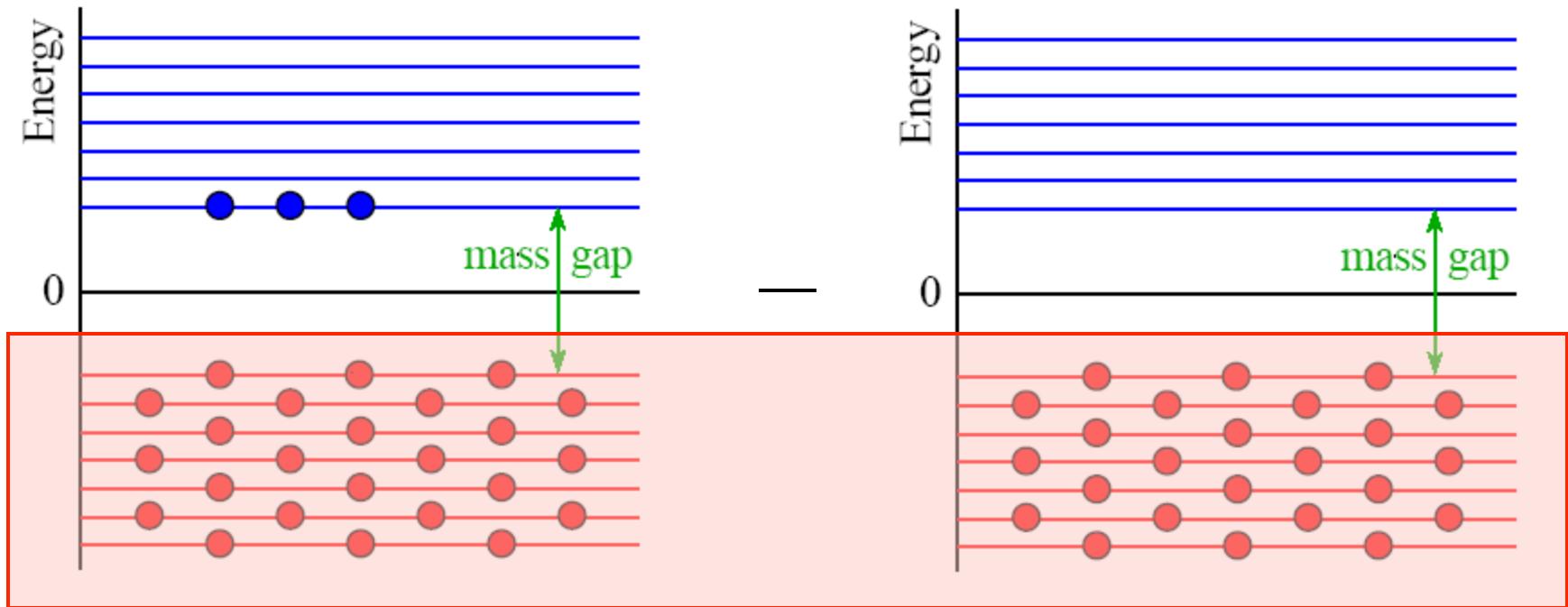
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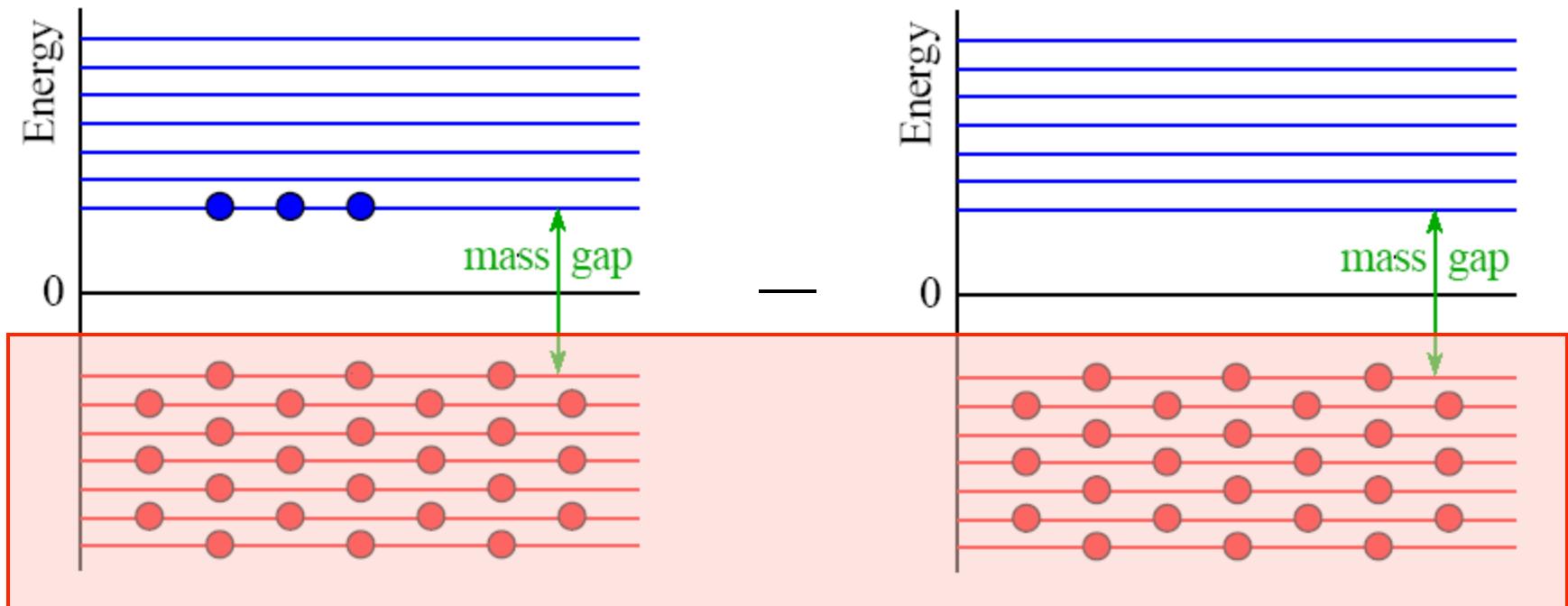
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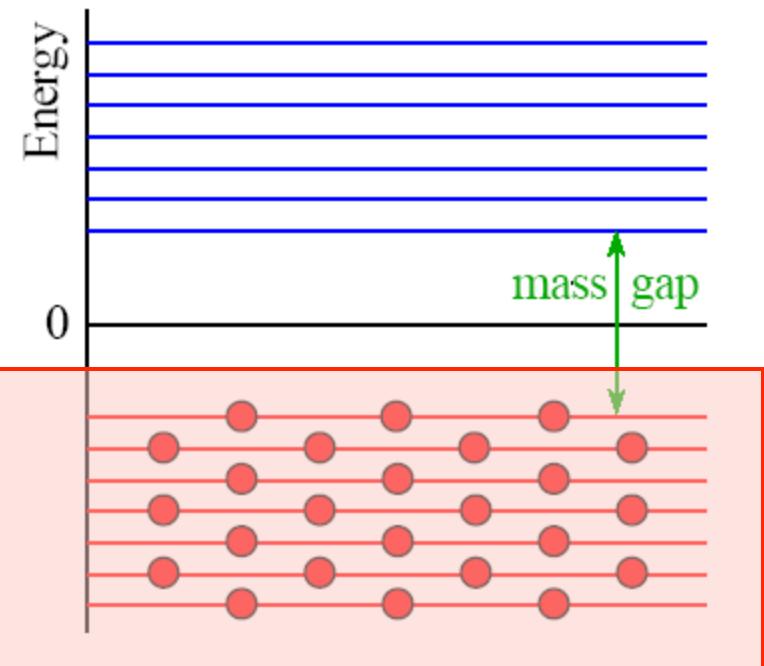
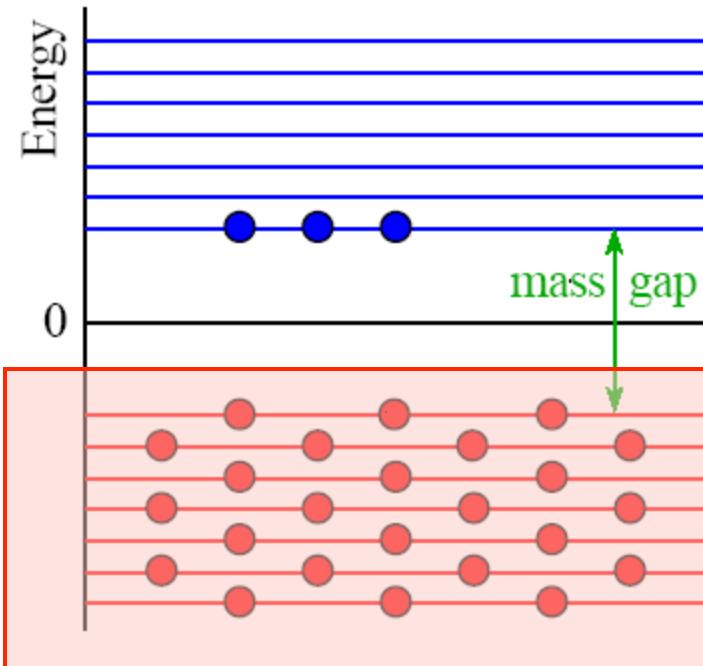
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pentaquark width = 0 !

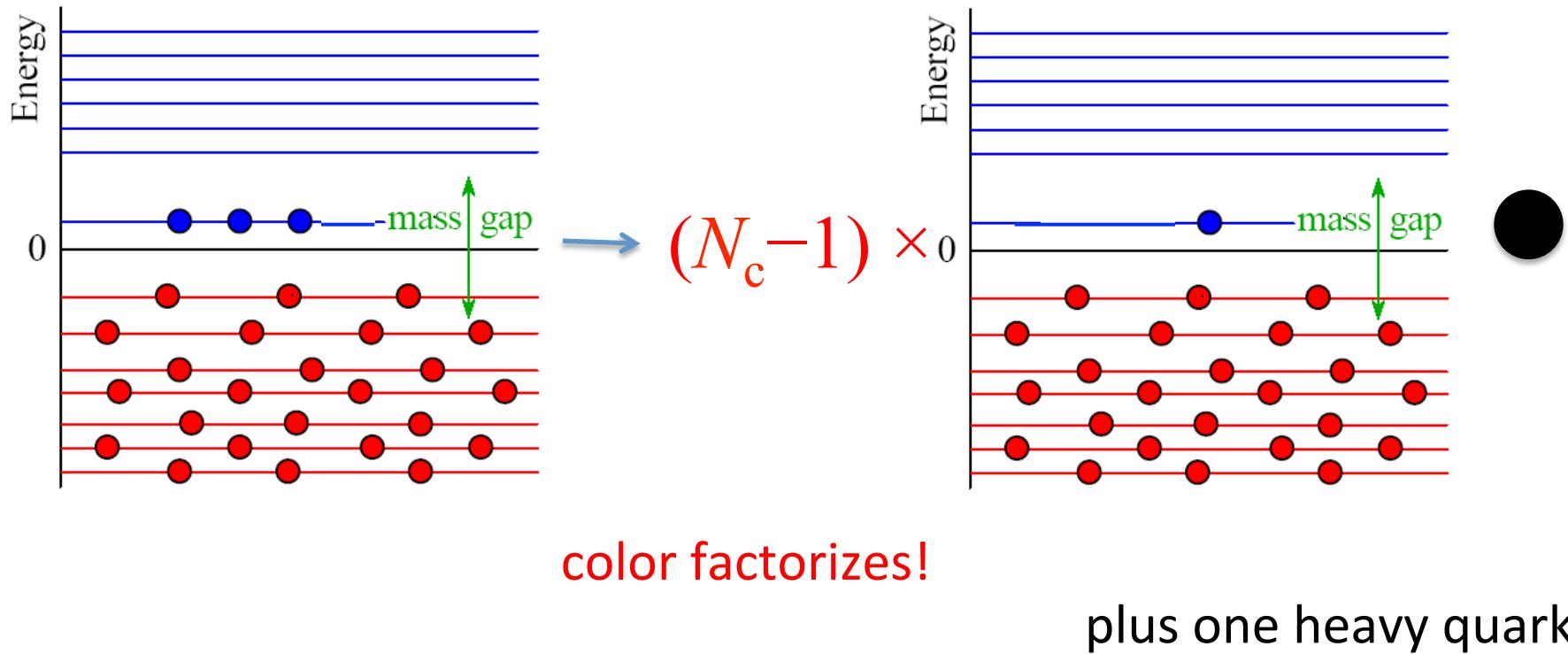


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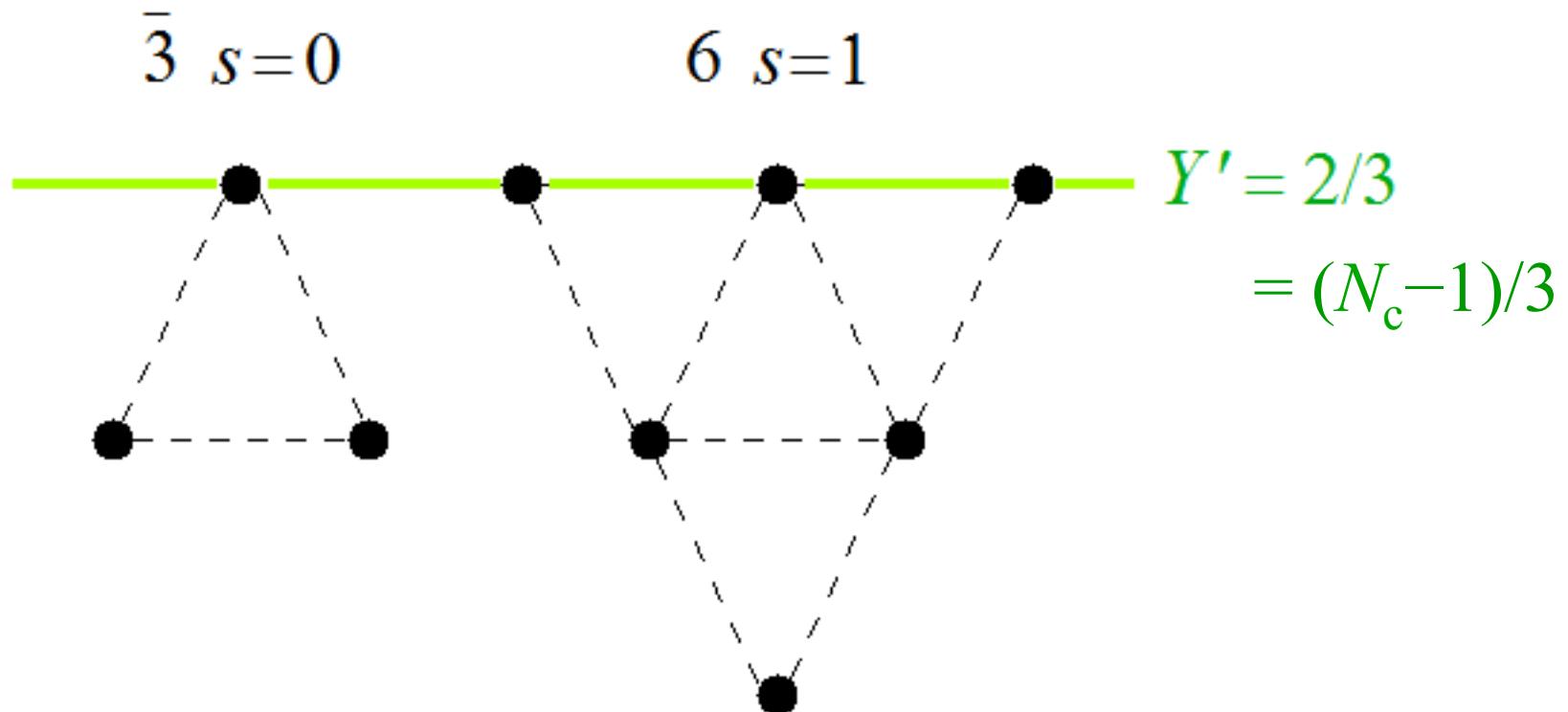
# **Heavy baryons in the Chiral Quark-Soliton Model**

# Soliton with $N_c - 1$ quarks

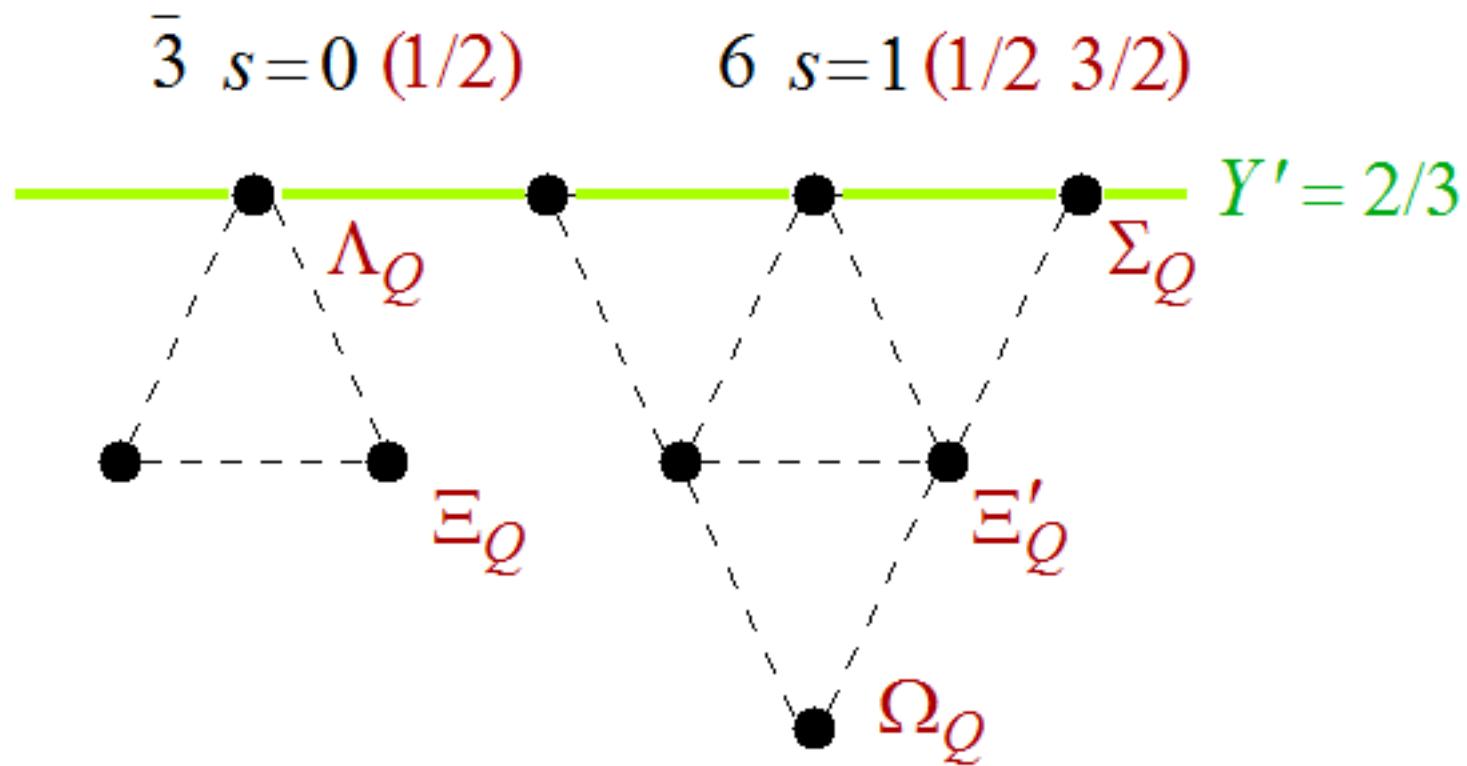
if  $N_c$  is large,  $N_c - 1$  is also large and one can use the same mean field arguments



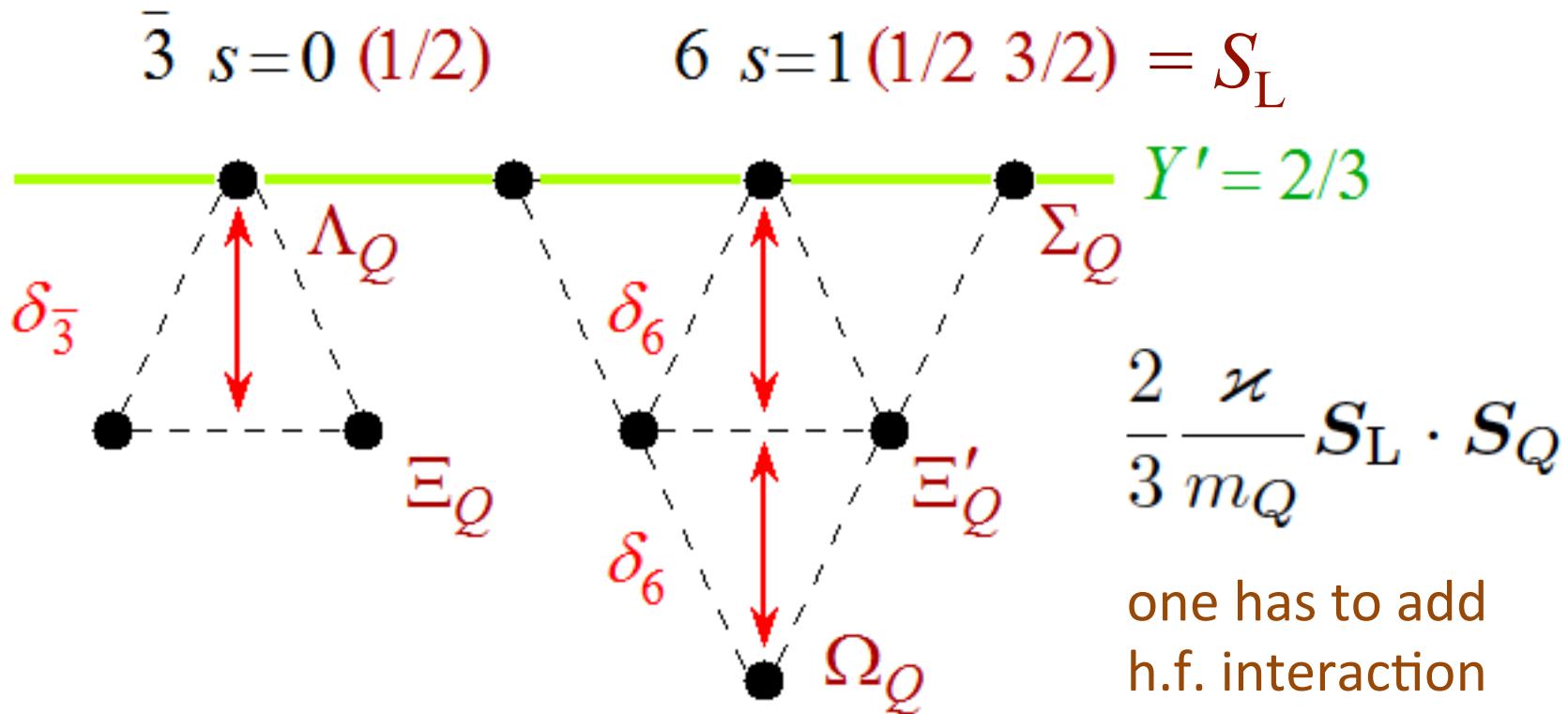
# Allowed SU(3) irreps.



# Heavy Baryons: soliton + heavy Q

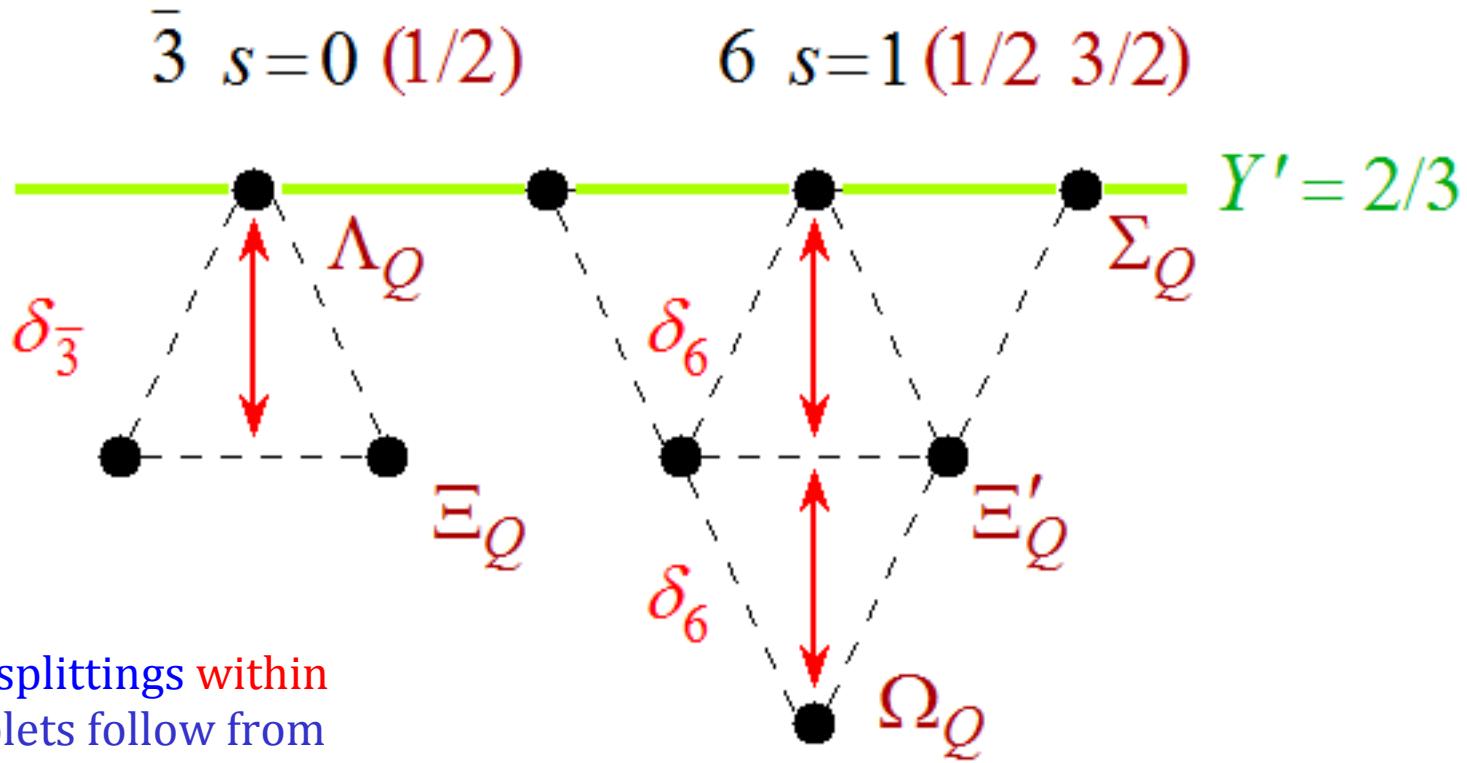


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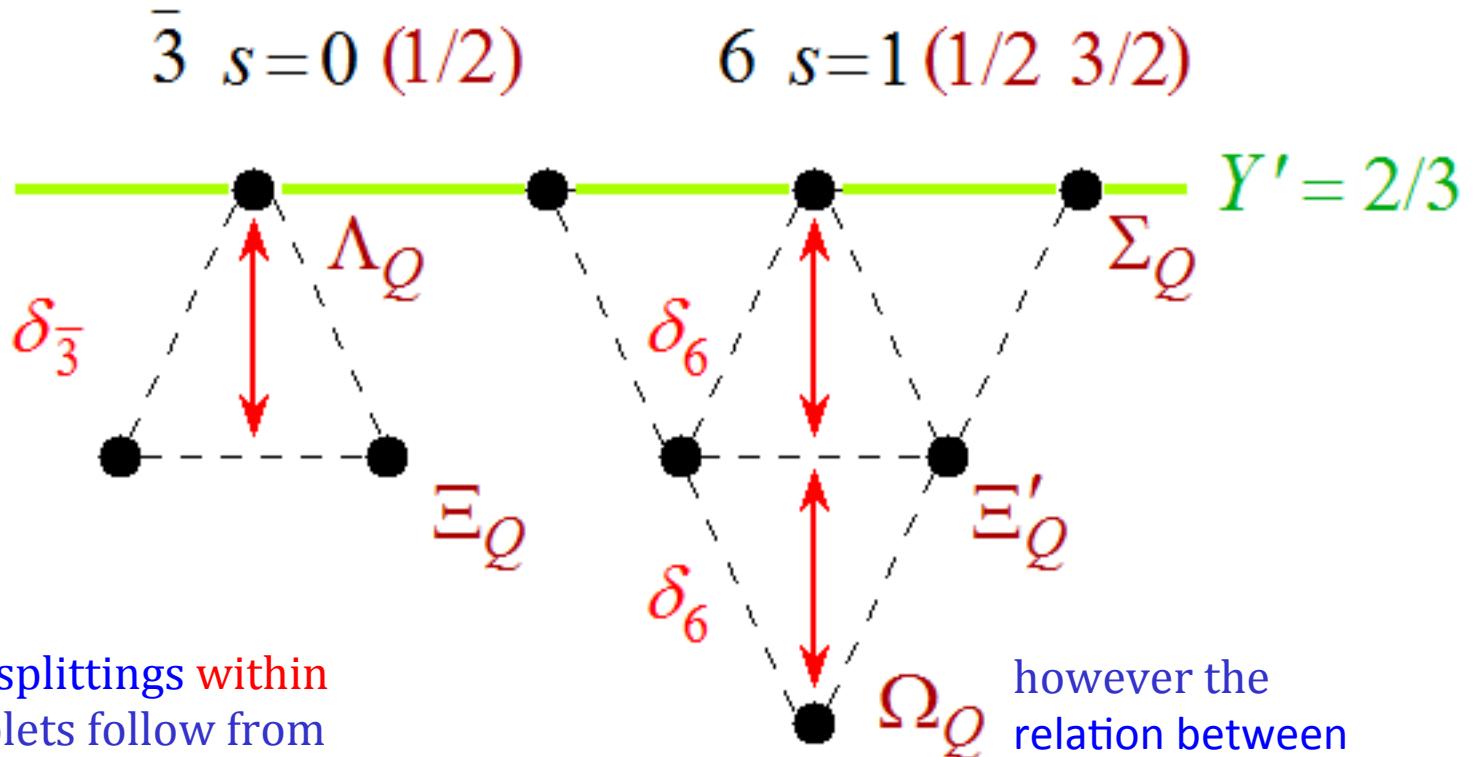
$$\kappa/m_c = 70 \text{ MeV}$$

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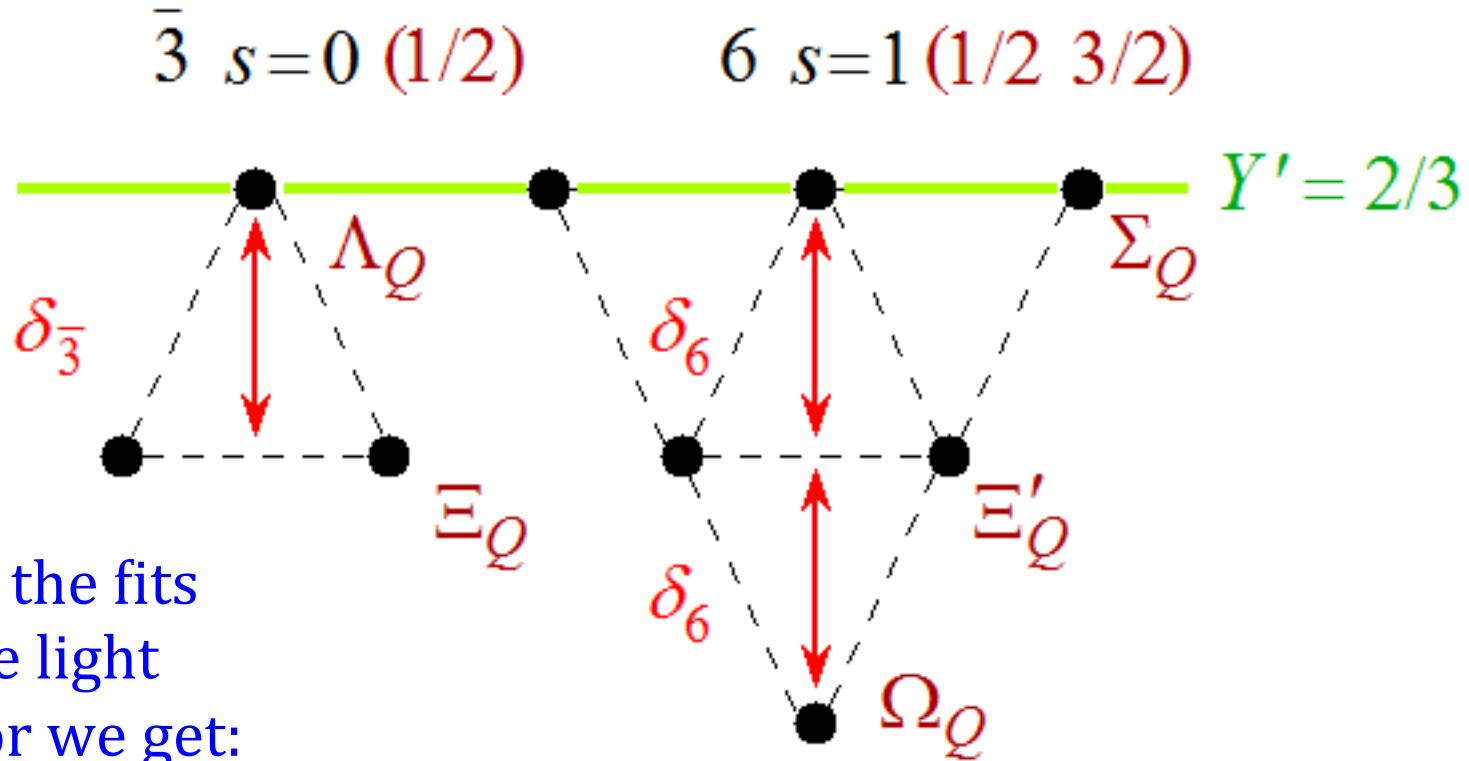
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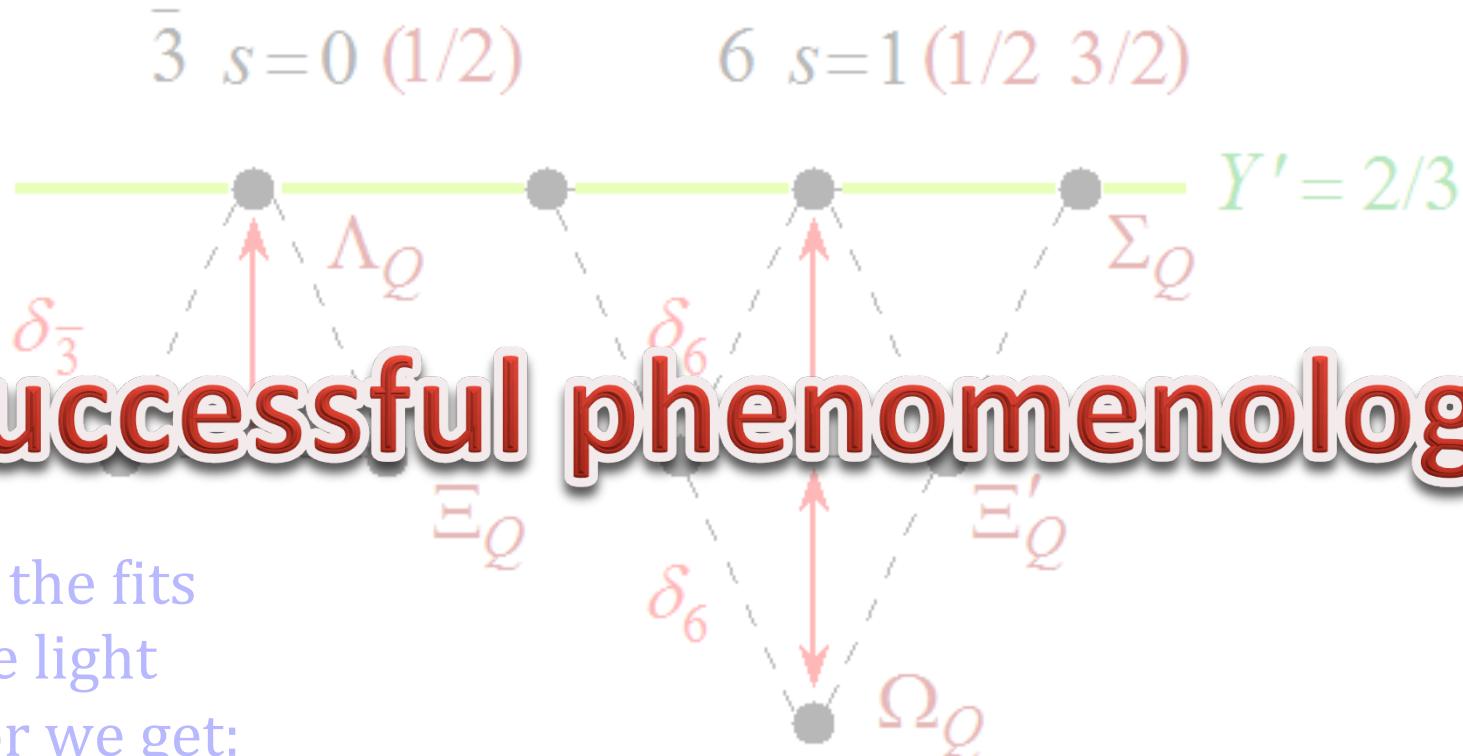


$$\delta_{\bar{3}} = 203.8 \pm 3.5 \text{ MeV}, \quad (\text{exp.: } 178 \text{ MeV})$$

$$\delta_6 = 135.2 \pm 3.3 \text{ MeV}, \quad (\text{exp.: } 121 \text{ MeV})$$

13%

# Splittings inside multiplets



**Successful phenomenology**  
from the fits  
to the light  
sector we get:

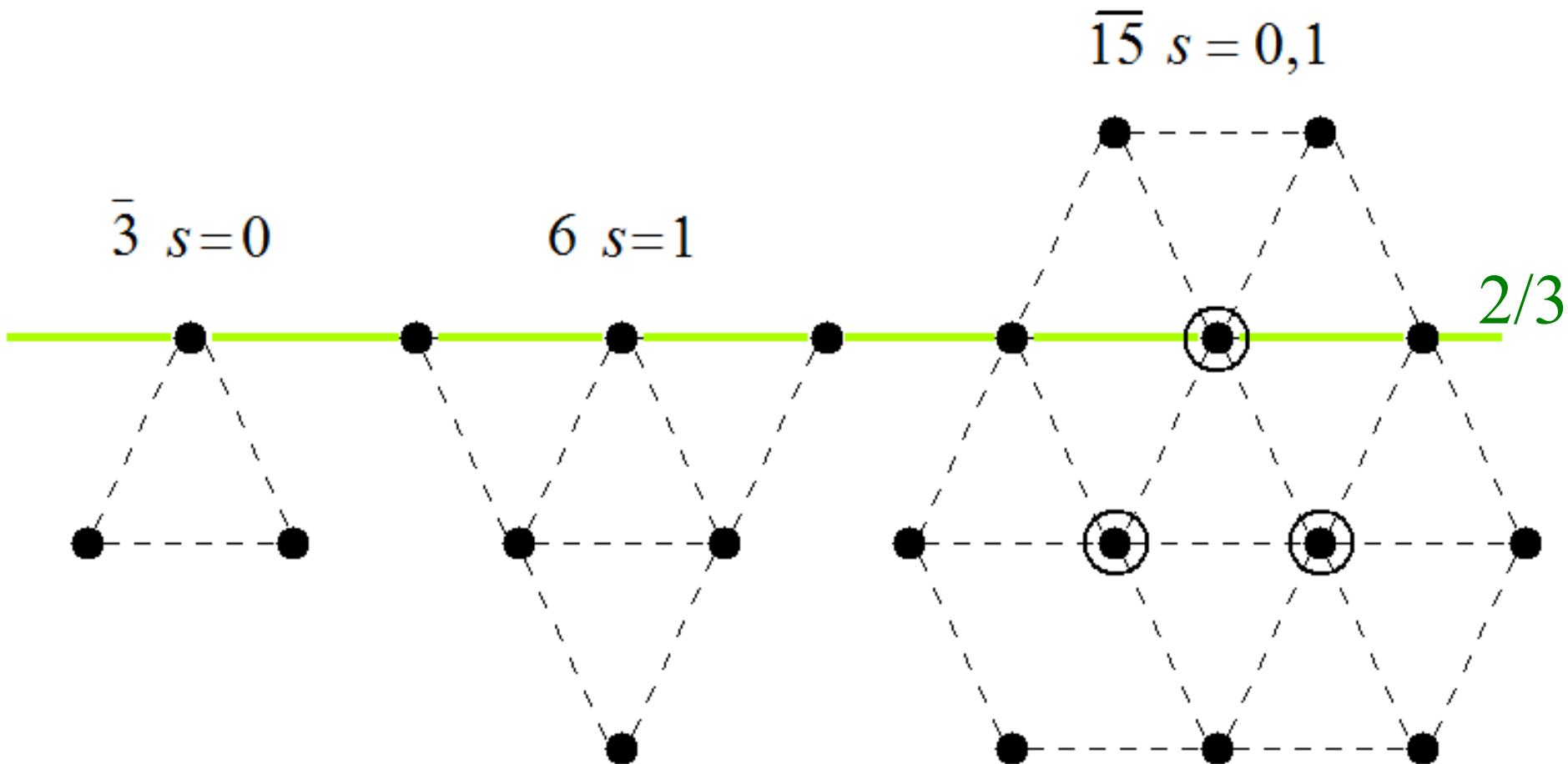
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$$\delta_{\bar{3}} = 203.8 \pm 3.5 \text{ MeV}, \quad (\text{exp.: } 178 \text{ MeV})$$

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13%

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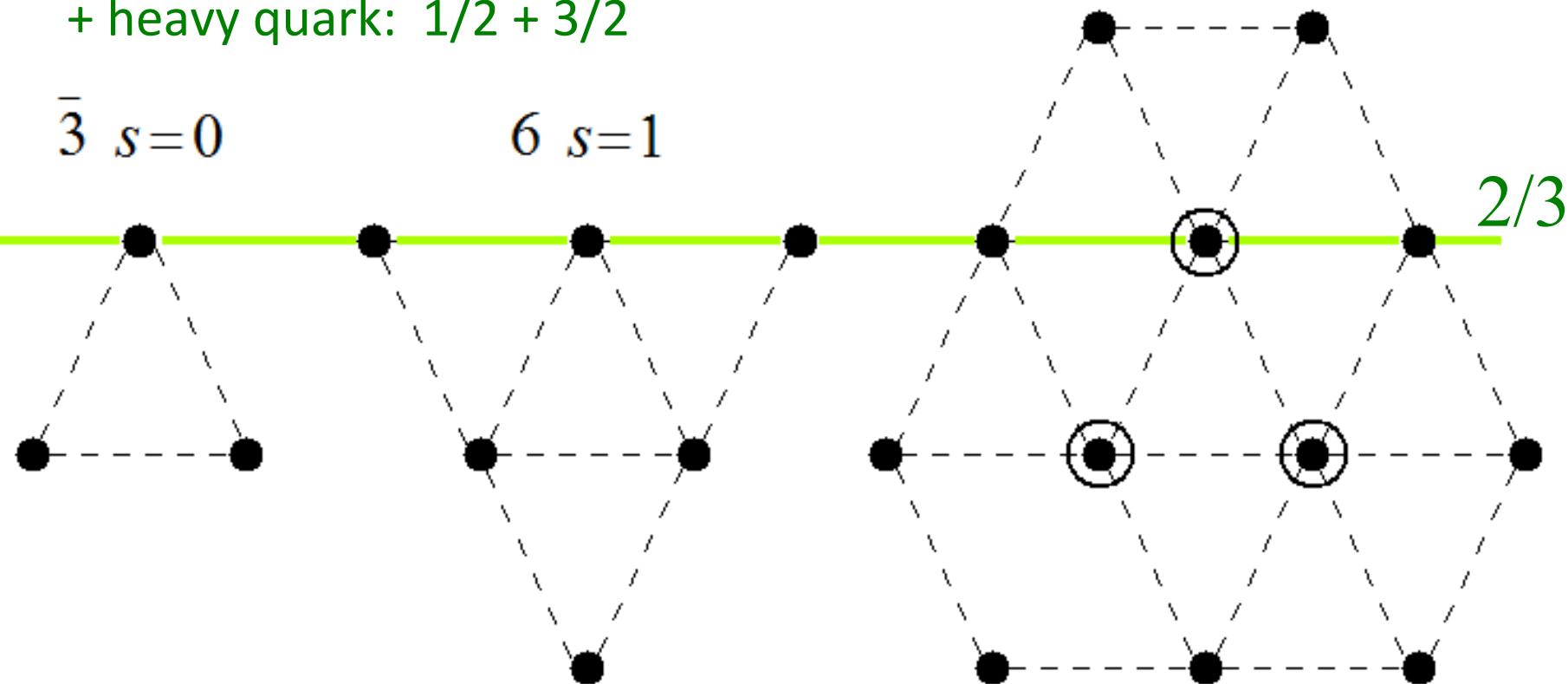
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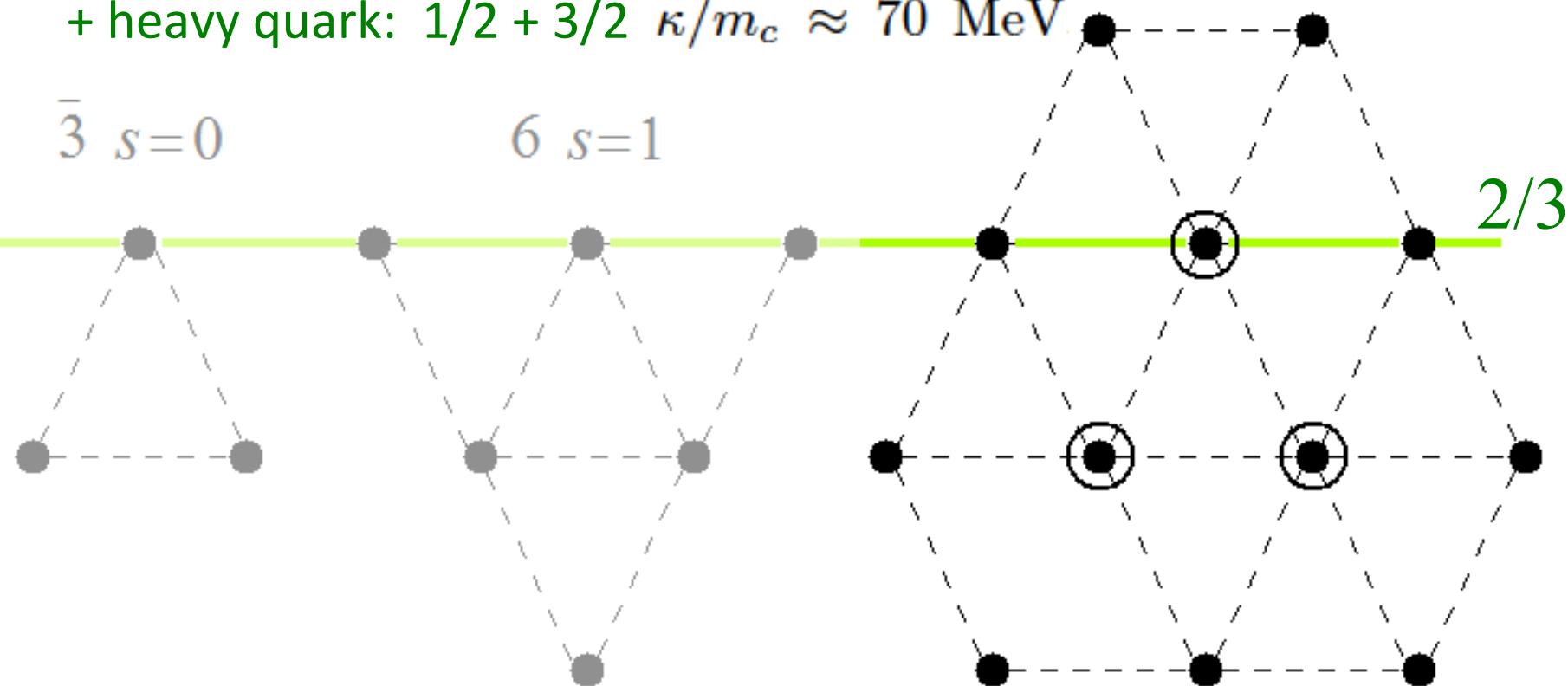
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# Decays

axial-vector constants with  $X = 3, 8, 0$

$$g_{\perp}^{(B_1 \rightarrow B_2)} = a_1 \langle B_2 | D_{X3}^{(8)} | B_1 \rangle + a_2 d_{pq3} \langle B_2 | D_{Xp}^{(8)} \hat{S}_q | B_1 \rangle + \frac{a_3}{\sqrt{3}} \langle B_2 | D_{X8}^{(8)} \hat{S}_3 | B_1 \rangle$$

$a_1 \sim N_c$   $a_2 \sim O(1)$   $a_3 \sim O(1)$  fixed from the data on weak hyperon decays

Goldberger-Treiman relation:

for strong decays  $B_1 \rightarrow B_2 + \varphi$  use the same operator, but

$$\{a_1, a_2, a_3\} \rightarrow \frac{M_1 + M_2}{2F_\varphi} \{a_1, a_2, a_3\}$$

$$\Gamma_{\Sigma(\mathbf{6}_1) \rightarrow \Lambda(\overline{\mathbf{3}}_0) + \pi} = \frac{1}{72\pi} \frac{p^3}{F_\pi^2} \frac{M_{\Lambda(\overline{\mathbf{3}}_0)}}{M_{\Sigma(\mathbf{6}_1)}} H_{\overline{\mathbf{3}}}^2 \frac{3}{8}$$

$$H_{\overline{\mathbf{3}}} = -a_1 + \frac{1}{2}a_2$$

example

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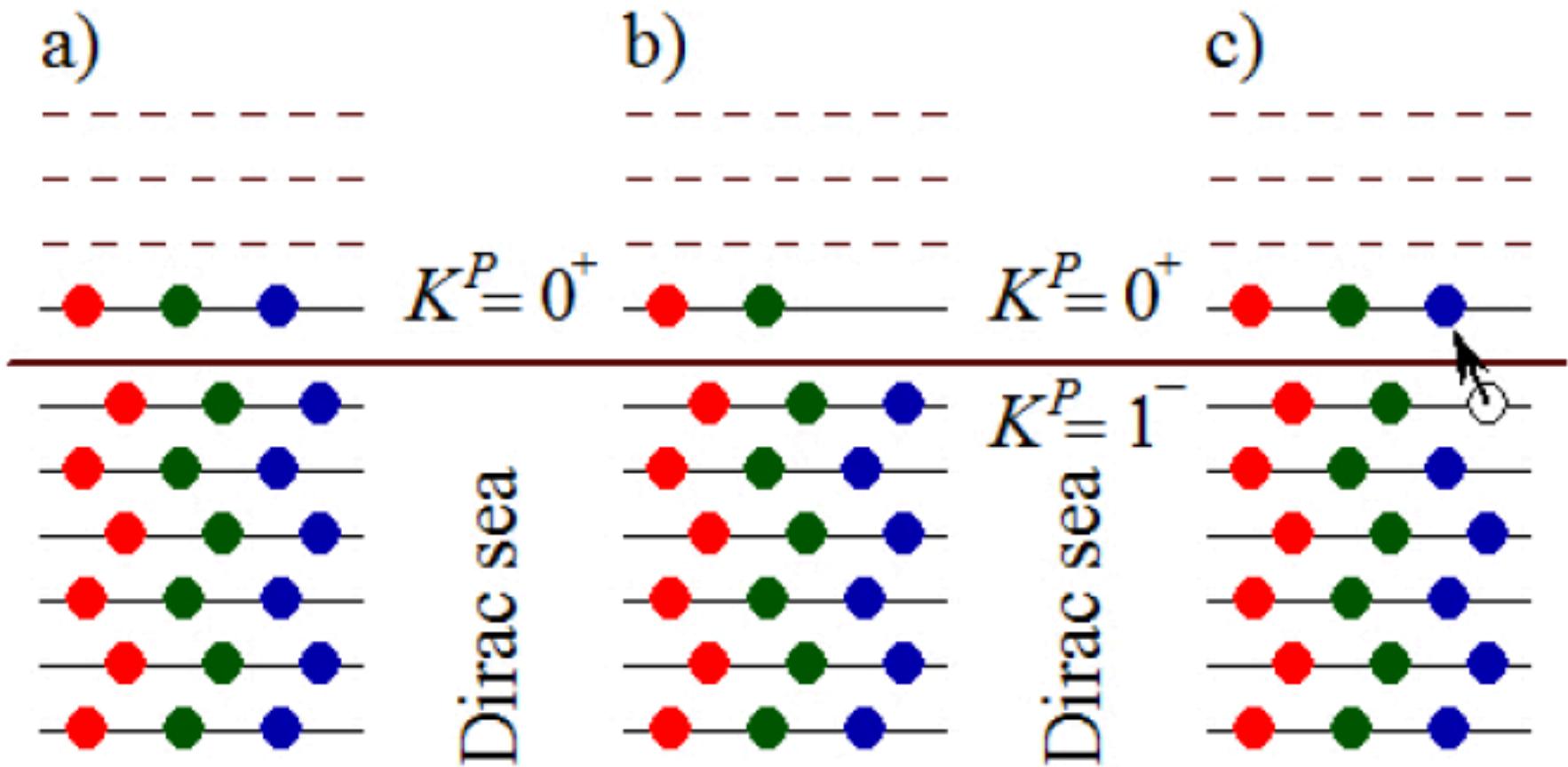
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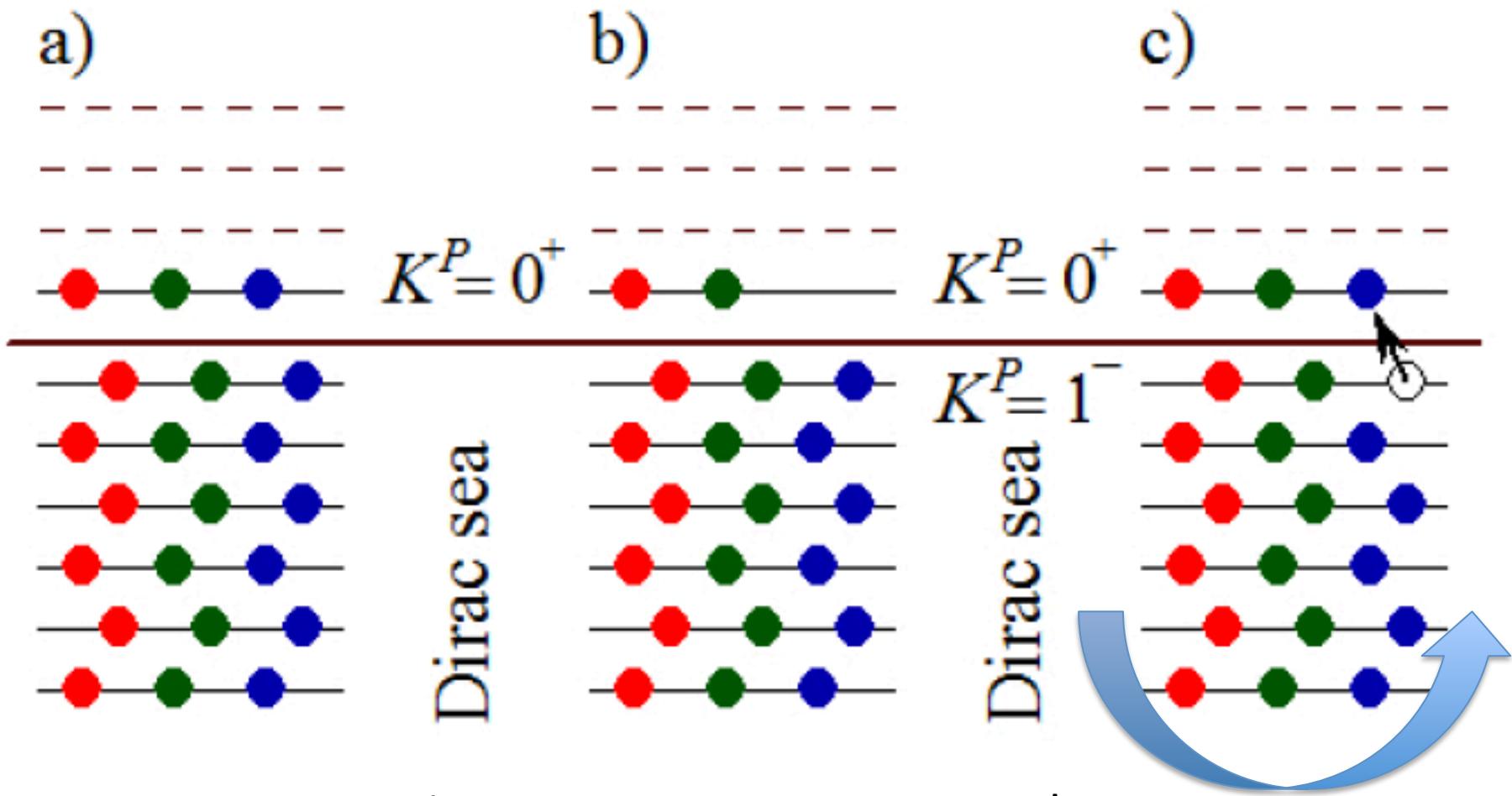
$$\overline{\mathbf{15}}_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{6}_1 \quad \text{In NRQM limit:} \quad G_6 = 0$$

Expectations:  
some decays will be suppressed

# Quark excitations: non-exotic heavy baryons

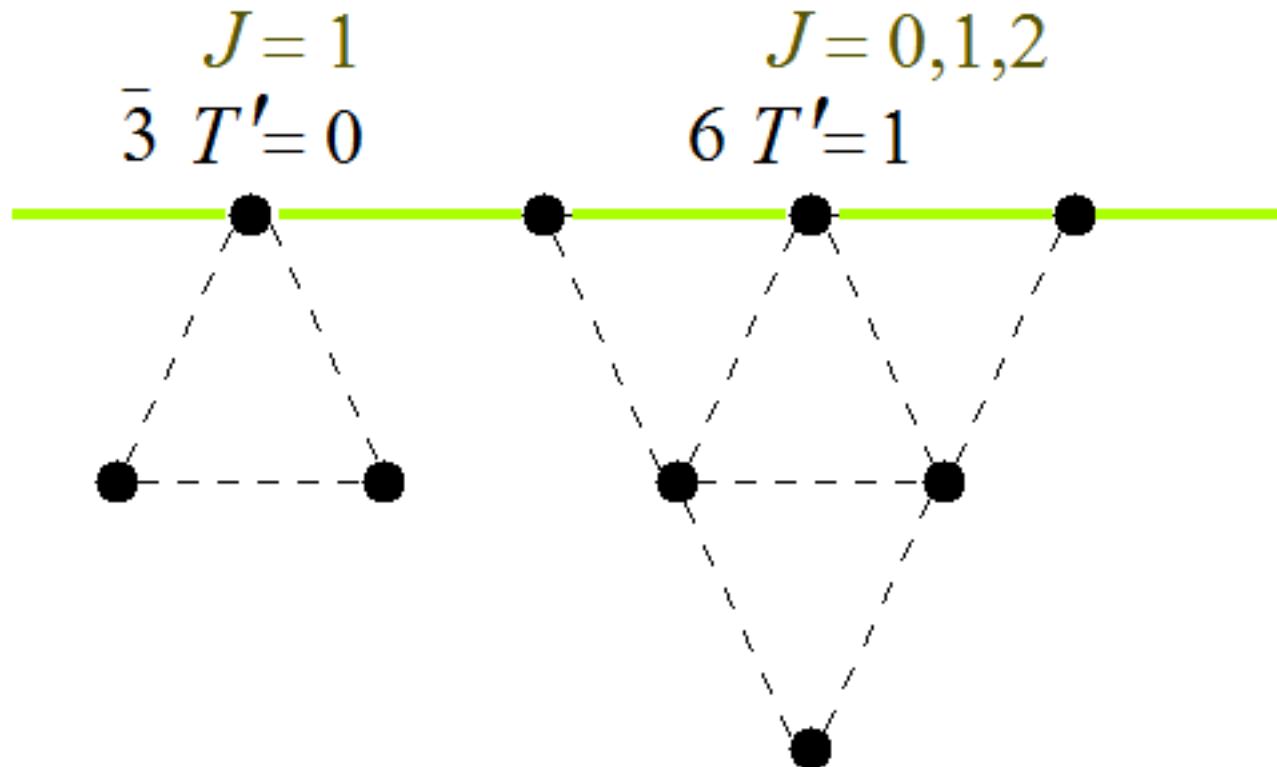


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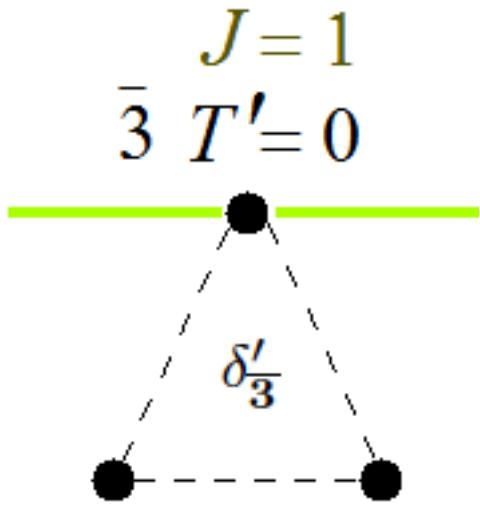


# One $K=1$ quark excited solitons

- the isospin  $T'$  of the states with  $Y' = (N_c - 1)/3$  couples with the soliton spin  $J$  as follows:  $T' + J = K$ , where  $K$  is the grand spin of the excited level.



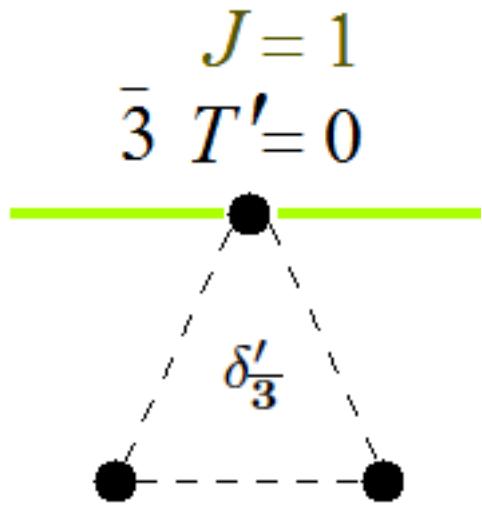
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experimentally:

$\Lambda_c(2592)$	$\Lambda_c(2628)$
198 MeV	190 MeV
$\Xi_c(2790)$	$\Xi_c(2818)$
$(1/2)^-$	$(3/2)^-$

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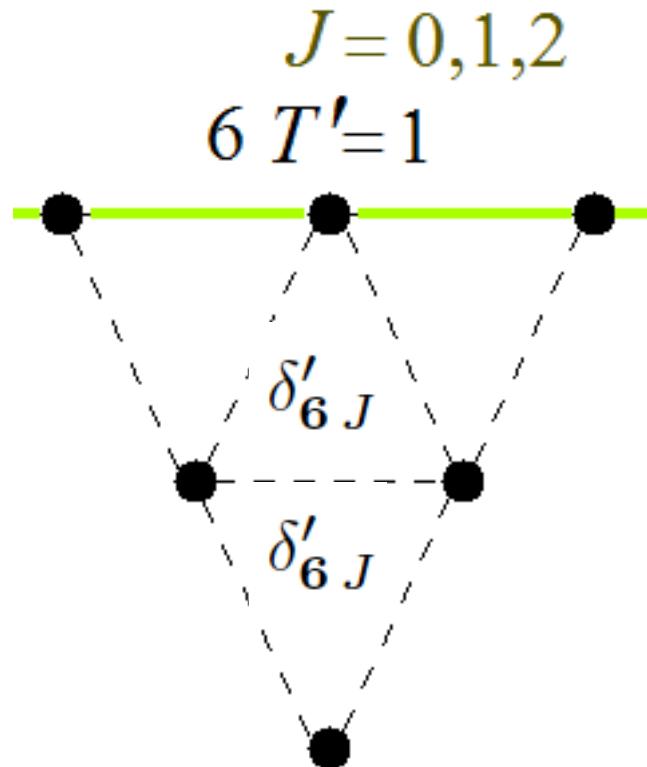
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$$H_{\text{hf}} = \frac{2}{3} \frac{\kappa}{m_Q} \mathbf{J} \cdot \mathbf{J}_Q$$

$$\frac{\kappa'}{m_c} = 30 \text{ MeV}$$

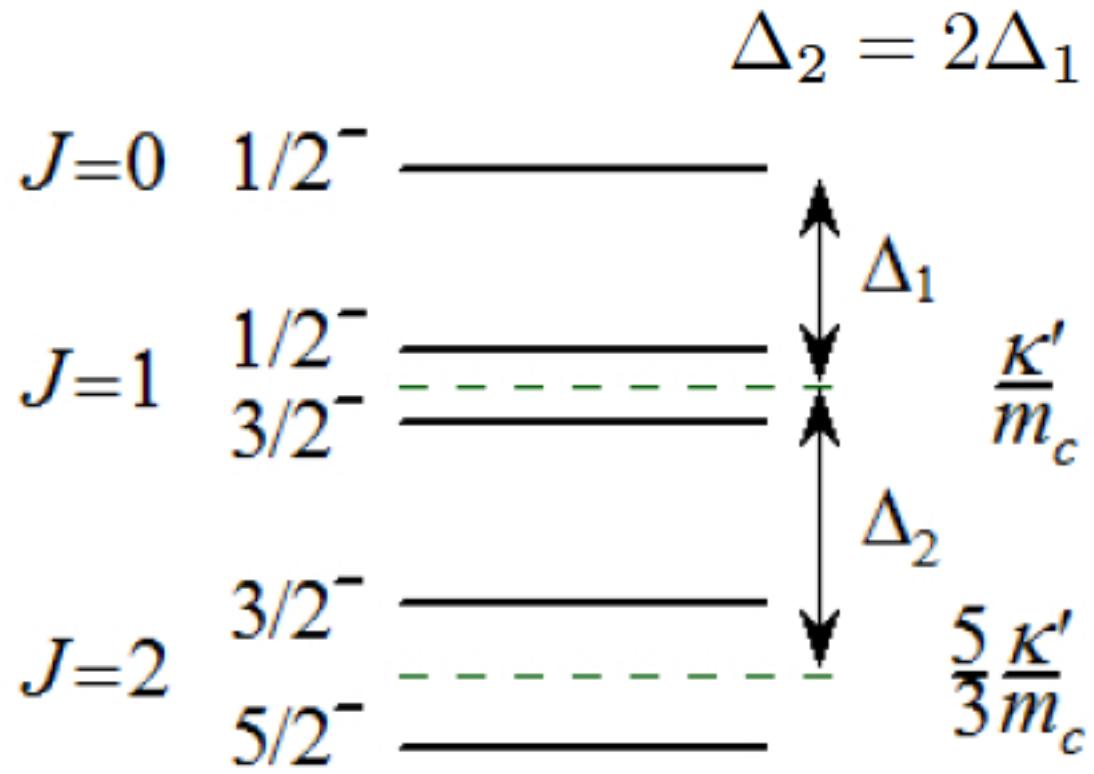
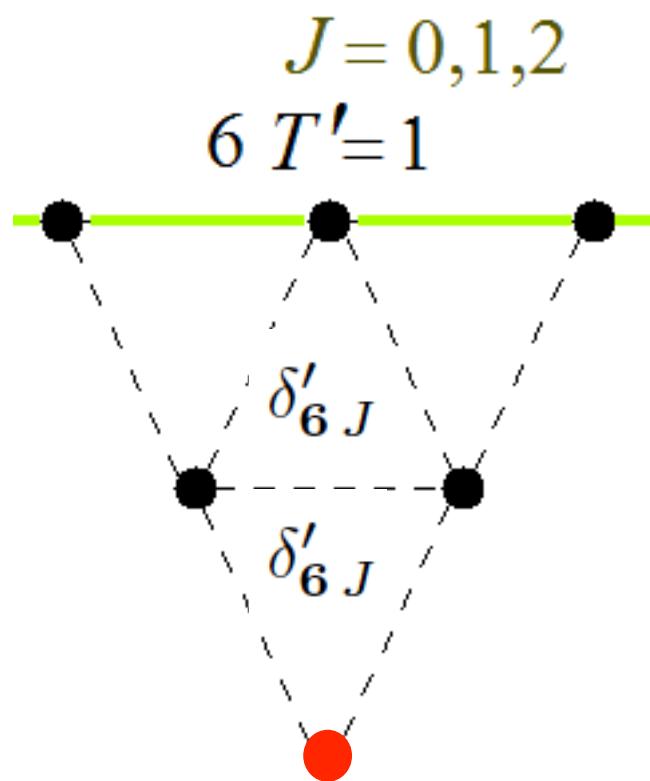
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# sextet excited baryons

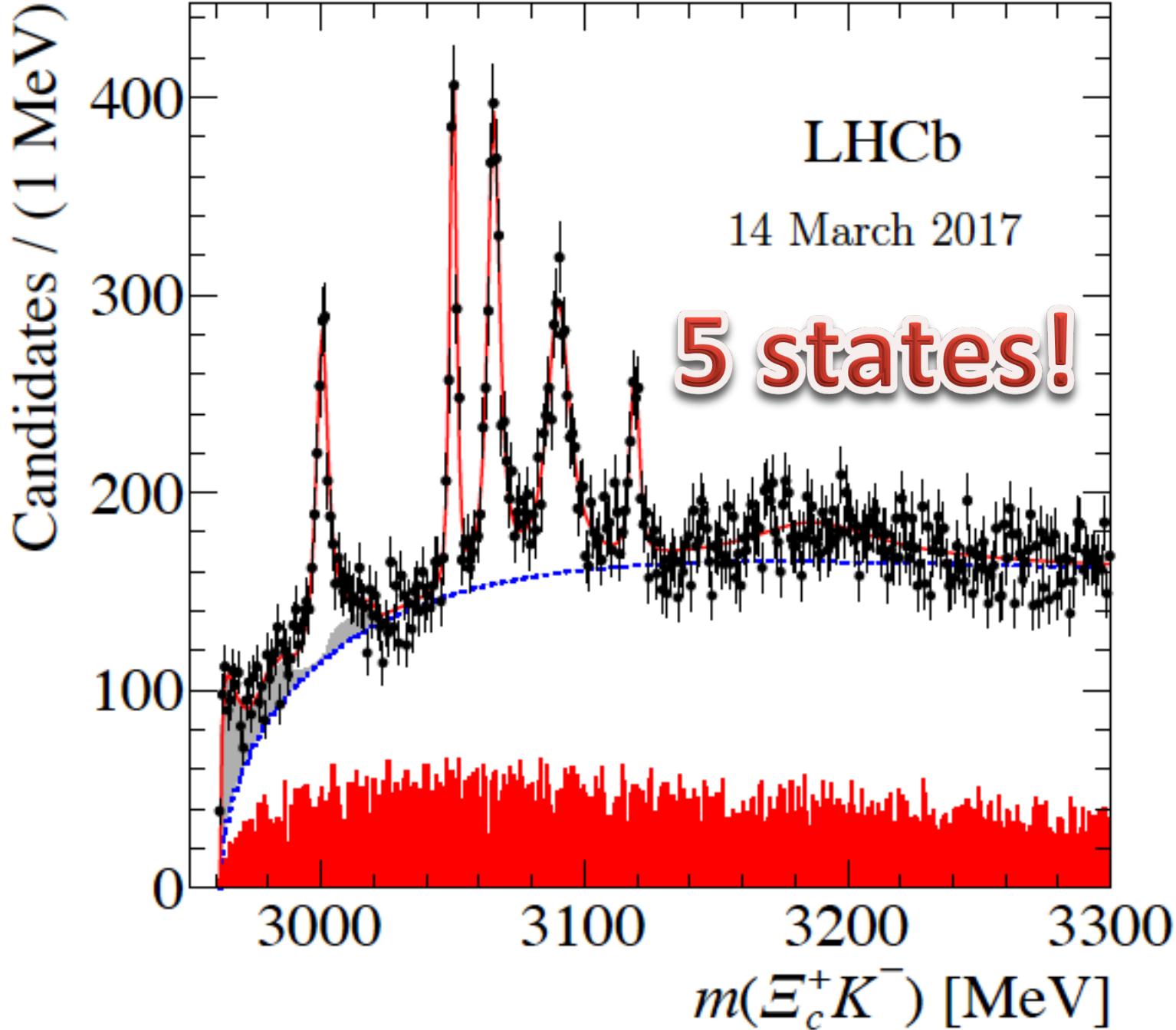


$$\delta'_{6 J} = \delta_6 - \frac{3}{20} \delta \times \begin{cases} 2 & \text{for } J = 0 \\ 1 & \text{for } J = 1 \\ -1 & \text{for } J = 2 \end{cases}$$

# sextet excited baryons



excited Omega\_Q spectrum,  
5 states



# Scenario 1: all LHCb Omega's are sextet states

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0	$\frac{1}{2}^-$	3000	—	—
1	$\frac{1}{2}^-$	3050	16	61
	$\frac{3}{2}^-$	3066		
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similar problem in the quark models

# Scenario 2

## force sextet constraints

Candidates / (1 MeV)

400  
300  
200  
100  
0

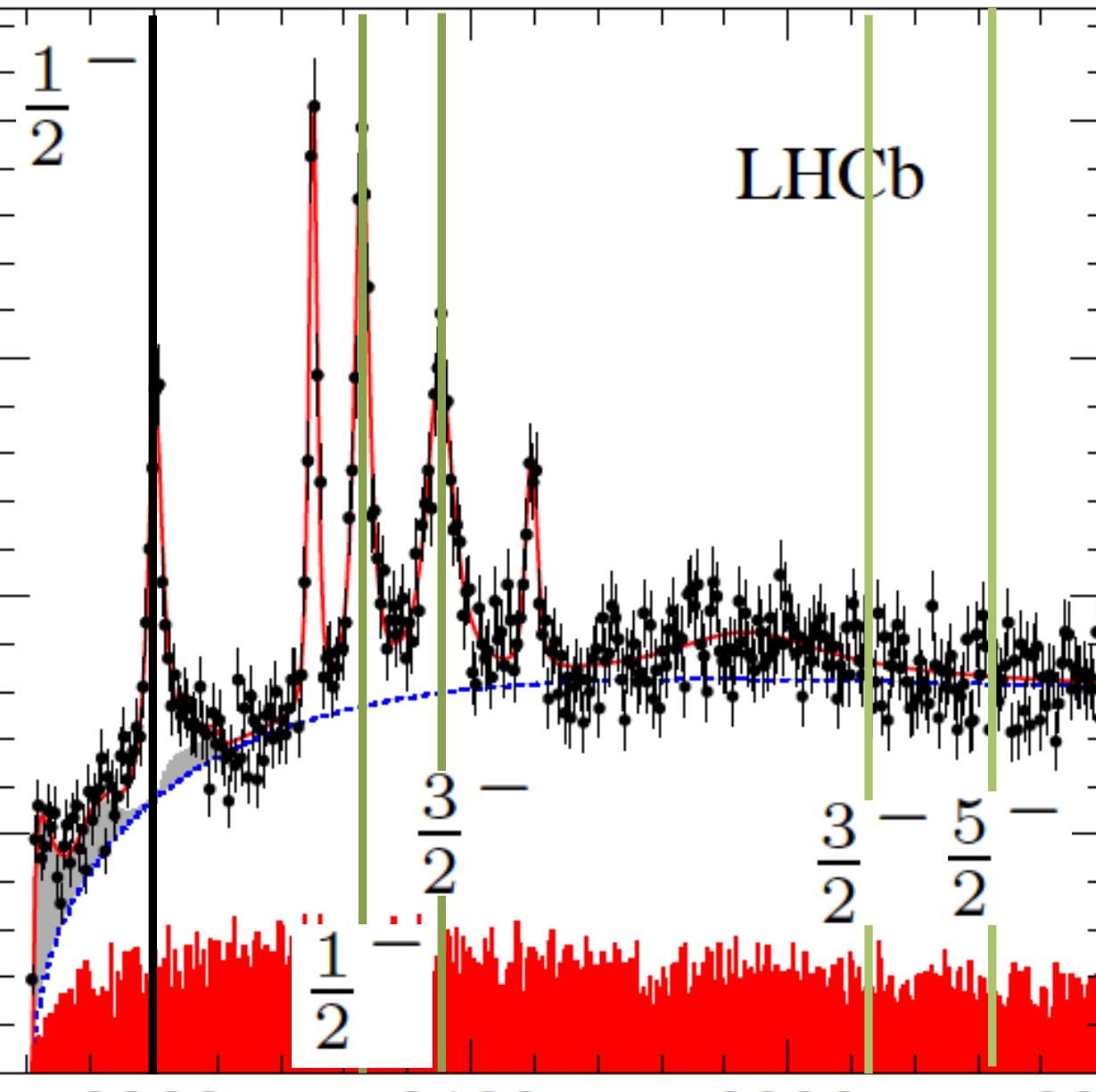
$$\frac{\kappa'}{m_c} = 24$$

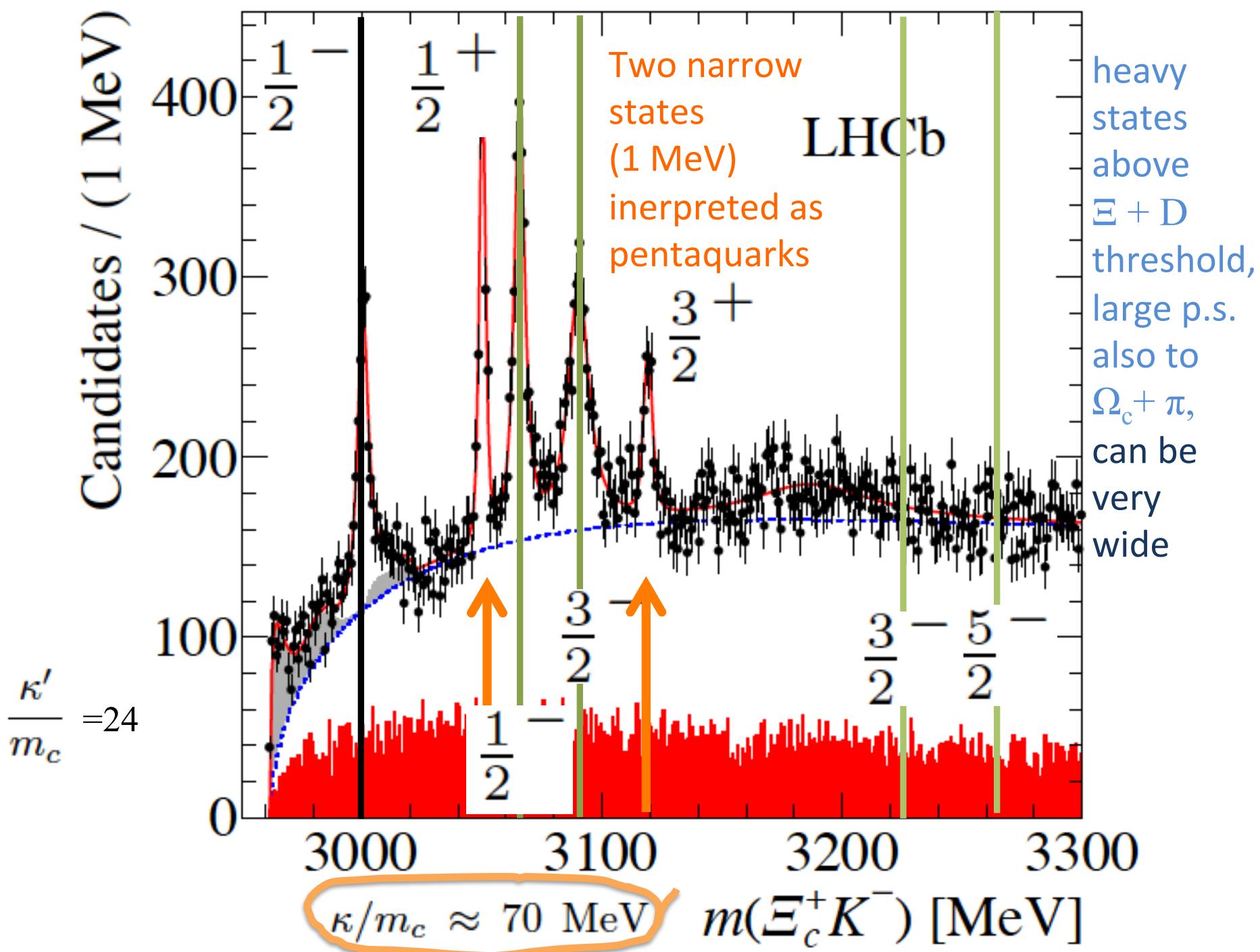
3000 3100 3200 3300

$m(\Xi_c^+ K^-)$  [MeV]

LHCb

heavy states above  $\Xi + D$  threshold, large p.s. also to  $\Omega_c + \pi$ , can be very wide

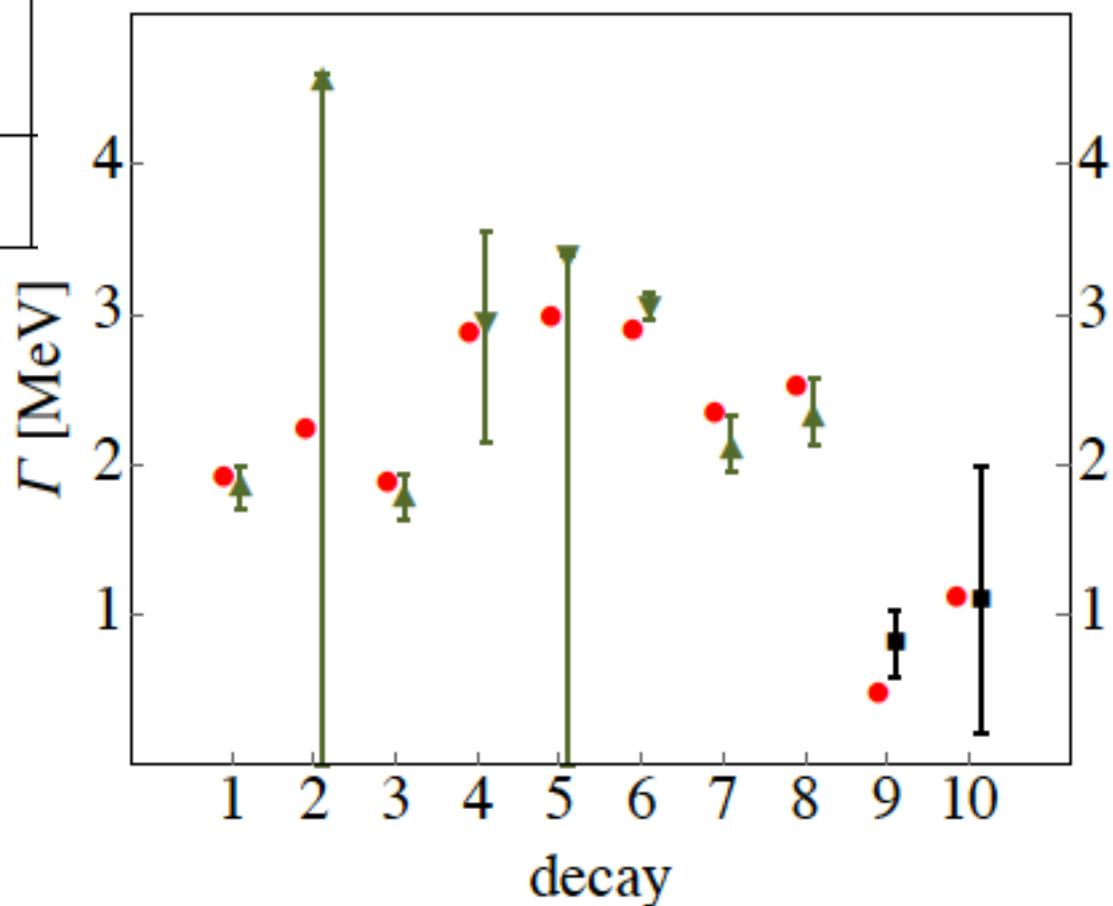




# Charm decay widths

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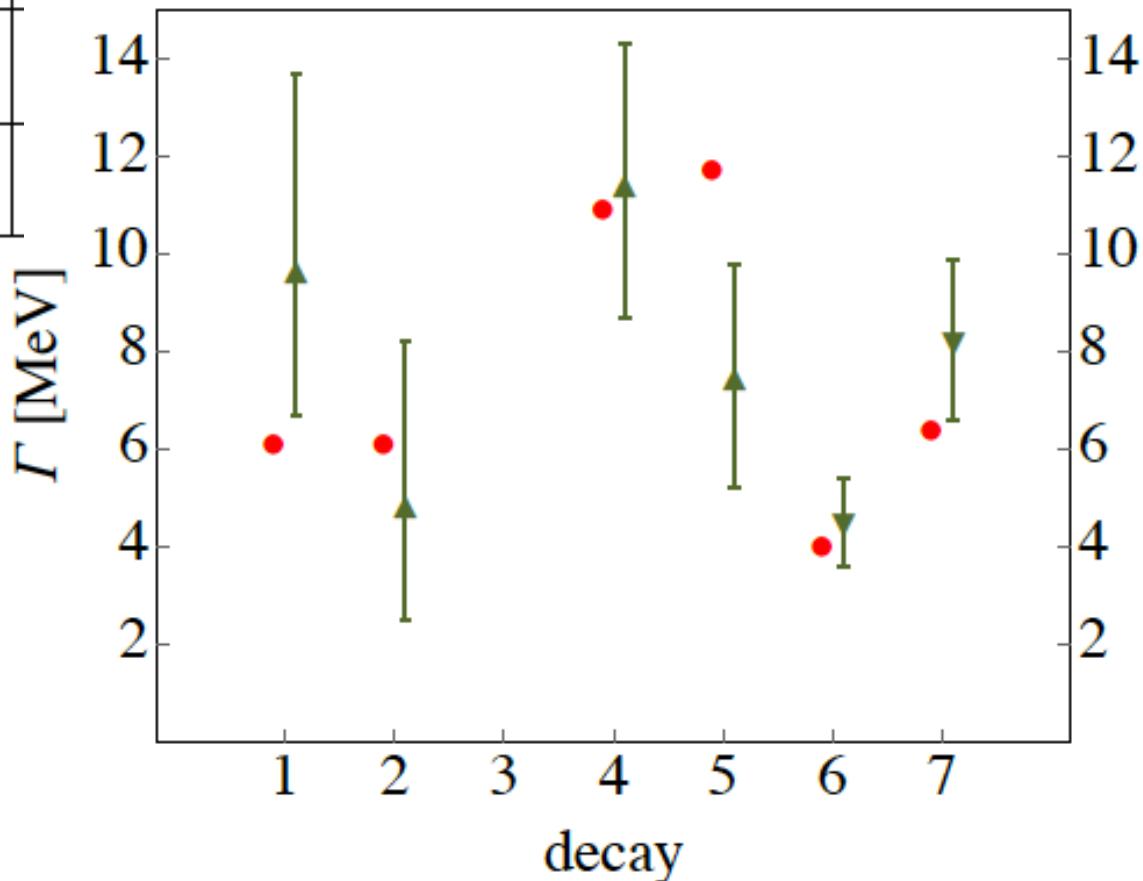
with one adjustable parameter that takes into account the fact that soliton is built up from  $N_c - 1$  quarks. 15% correction to  $a_1$



# Bottom decay widths

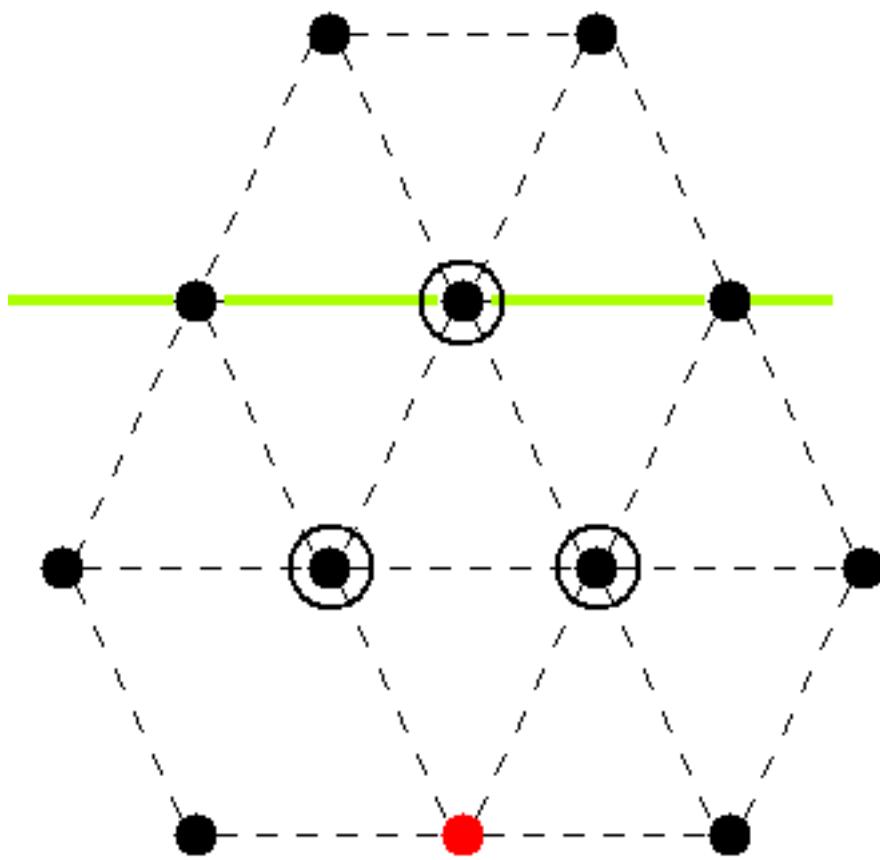
1	$\Sigma_b^+(6_1, 1/2) \rightarrow \Lambda_b^0(\bar{3}_0, 1/2) + \pi^+$
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3	$\Xi_b'(6_1, 1/2) \rightarrow \Xi_c(\bar{3}_0, 1/2) + \pi$
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experimental data  
a little puzzling  
because of rather strong  
isospin  
violation



# Consequences

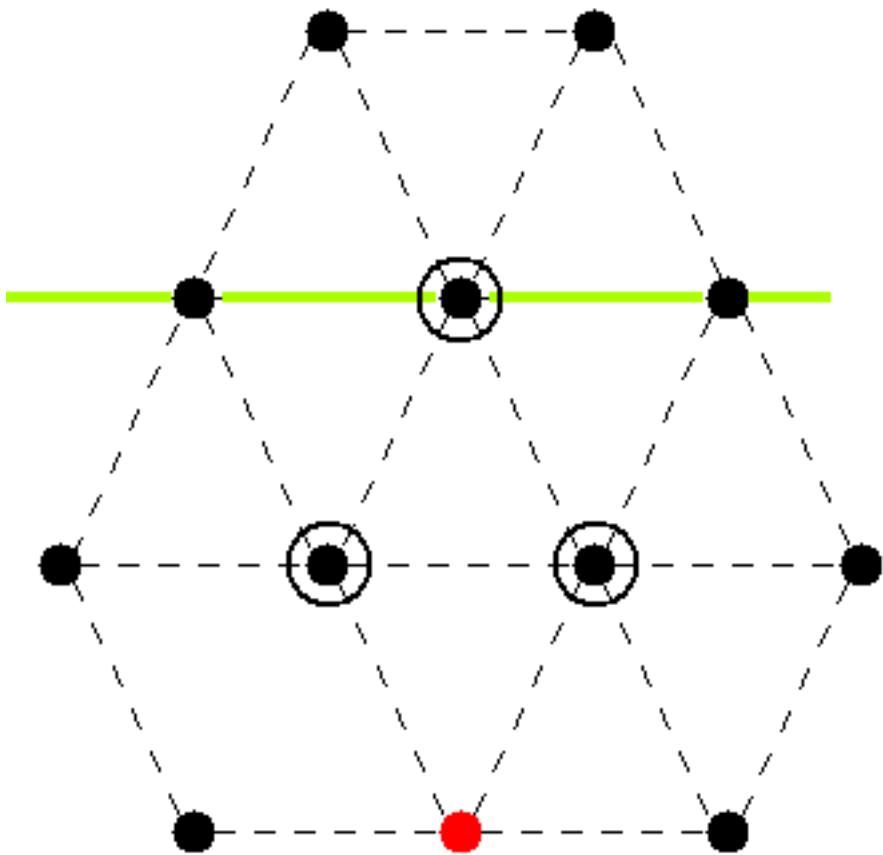
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Omega's form isospin triplet,  
easy to check experimentally

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$\overline{15} \ s=1$



rich structure -  
- many new states,  
also in the case of b baryons

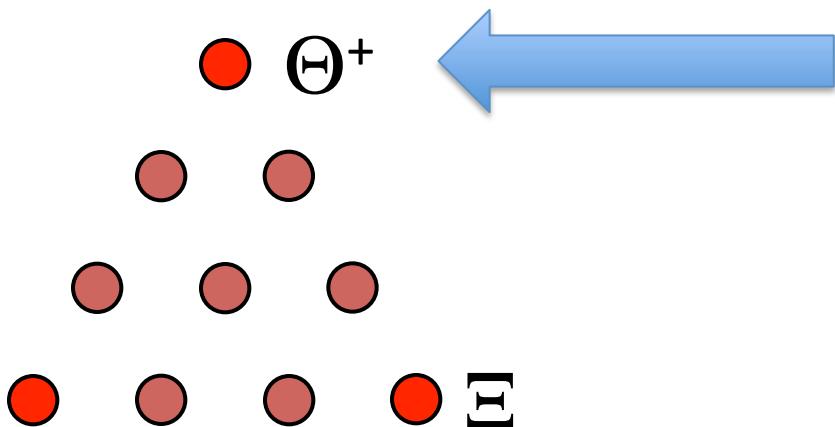
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# Conclusions

- soliton models **ARE** quark models
- **successful phenomenology** in the light baryon sector
- in soliton models pentaquarks are **naturally light**
- in NR limit **no decay** of antidecuplet to octet (!)
- heavy baryons can be described in terms of  **$N_c$ -1 quark soliton**
- two types of excitations:
  - **rotations:** 15-bar (exotic)
  - **quark excitations** (regular)
- decay widths **agree** well with the data with one free parameter
- **two** of the LHCb Omega\_c states may be interpreted as **5q**

# Backup slides

# What is the experimental status of light pentaquarks today?





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LEPS

## Status of the $\Theta^+$ analysis at LEPS

and various conference  
proceedings

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### Abstract

We report recent results on the  $\Theta^+$  study from LEPS. The  $\gamma d \rightarrow K^+ K^- pn$  reaction has been studied to search for the evidence of the  $\Theta^+$  by detecting  $K^+ K^-$  pairs at forward angles. The Fermi-motion corrected  $nK^+$  invariant mass distribution shows a narrow peak at  $1.53 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ . The statistical significance of the peak calculated from a shape analysis is  $5\sigma$ , and the differential cross-section for the  $\gamma n \rightarrow K^- \Theta^+$  reaction is estimated to be  $12 \pm 2 \text{ nb/sr}$  in the LEPS angular range by assuming the isotropic production.

**Key words:** Penta-quark, Photo-production

# DIANA

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## Observation of a narrow baryon resonance with positive strangeness formed in $K^+Xe$ collisions

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The charge-exchange reaction  $K^+Xe \rightarrow K^0 p Xe'$  is investigated using the data of the DIANA experiment. The distribution of the  $pK^0$  effective mass shows a prominent enhancement near 1538 MeV formed by nearly 80 events above the background, whose width is consistent with being entirely due to the experimental resolution. Under the selections based on a simulation of  $K^+Xe$  collisions, the statistical significance of the signal reaches  $5.5\sigma$ . We interpret this observation as strong evidence for formation of a pentaquark baryon with positive strangeness,  $\Theta^+(uudd\bar{s})$ , in the charge-exchange reaction  $K^+n \rightarrow K^0 p$  on a bound neutron. The mass of the  $\Theta^+$  baryon is measured as  $m(\Theta^+) = 1538 \pm 2$  MeV. Using the ratio between the numbers of resonant and nonresonant charge-exchange events in the peak region, the intrinsic width of this baryon resonance is determined as  $\Gamma(\Theta^+) = 0.34 \pm 0.10$  MeV.

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## Observation of a narrow structure in ${}^1\text{H}(\gamma, K_S^0)X$ via interference with $\phi$ -meson production

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We report observation of a narrow peak structure at  $\sim 1.54$  GeV with a Gaussian width  $\sigma = 6$  MeV in the missing mass of  $K_S$  in the reaction  $\gamma + p \rightarrow pK_SK_L$ . The observed structure may be due to the interference between a strange (or antistrange) baryon resonance in the  $pK_L$  system and the  $\phi(K_SK_L)$  photoproduction leading to the same final state. The statistical significance of the observed excess of events estimated as the log-likelihood ratio of the resonant signal + background hypothesis and the  $\phi$ -production-based background-only hypothesis corresponds to  $5.3\sigma$ .

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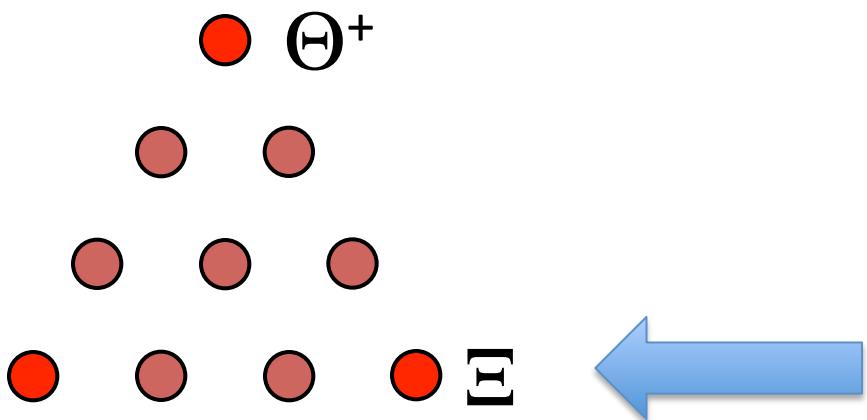
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This analysis was reviewed by the CLAS Collaboration, following the established procedures for all CLAS papers, and did not receive approval. The purpose of this Comment is to explain the reasons why that analysis was not approved for publication.

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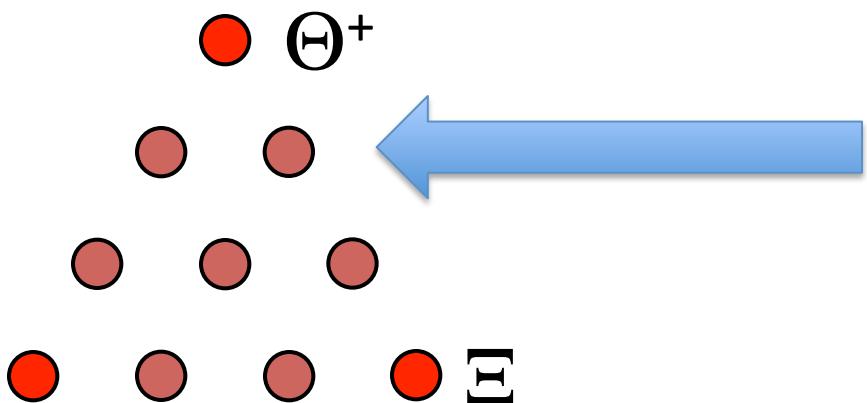
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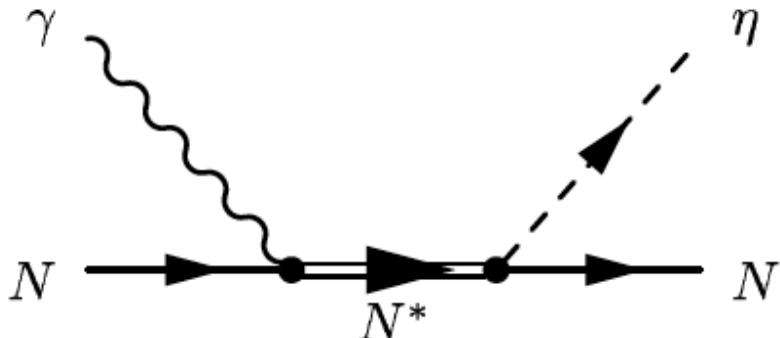
**Evidence for an Exotic  $S = -2, Q = -2$  Baryon Resonance in Proton-Proton Collisions at the CERN SPS**

Results of resonance searches in the  $\Xi^- \pi^-$ ,  $\Xi^- \pi^+$ ,  $\Xi^+ \pi^-$ , and  $\Xi^+ \pi^+$  invariant mass spectra in proton-proton collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 17.2$  GeV are presented. Evidence is shown for the existence of a narrow  $\Xi^- \pi^-$  baryon resonance with mass of  $1.862 \pm 0.002$  GeV/ $c^2$  and width below the detector resolution of about 0.018 GeV/ $c^2$ . The significance is estimated to be above  $4.2\sigma$ . This state is a candidate for the hypothetical exotic  $\Xi_{3/2}^{--}$  baryon with  $S = -2$ ,  $I = \frac{3}{2}$ , and a quark content of  $(dsd\bar{s}\bar{u})$ . At the same mass, a peak is observed in the  $\Xi^- \pi^+$  spectrum which is a candidate for the  $\Xi_{3/2}^0$  member of this isospin quartet with a quark content of  $(dsu\bar{s}\bar{d})$ . The corresponding antibaryon spectra also show enhancements at the same invariant mass.

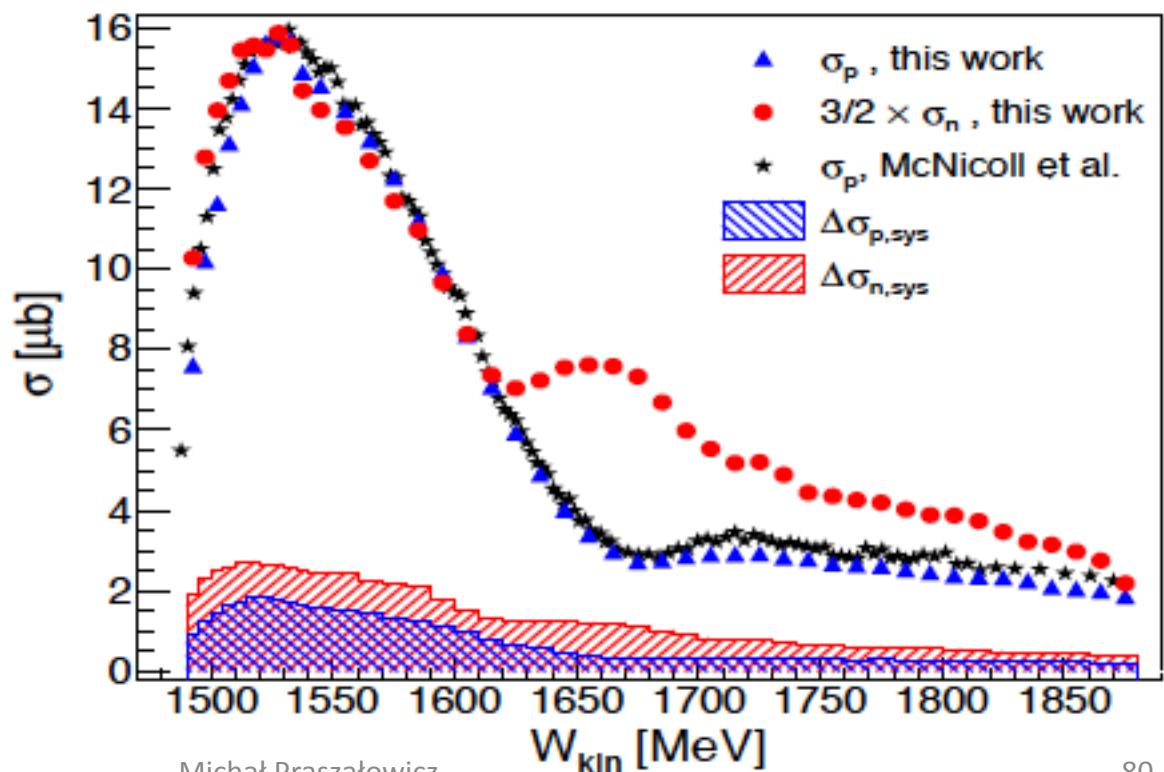
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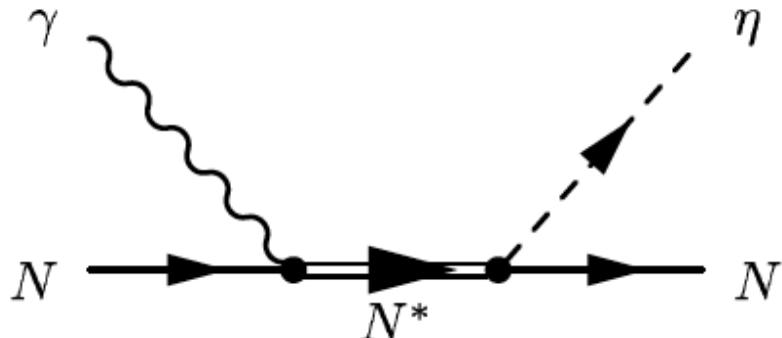
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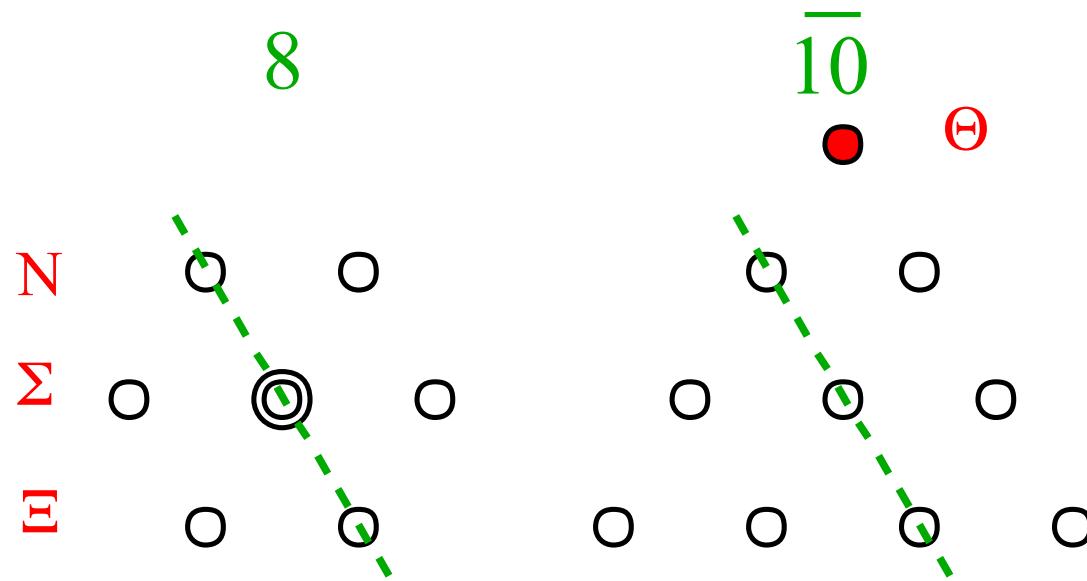
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# Pentanucleon?



M.V. Polyakov and A. Rathke,  
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natural (but not the only one) explanation if  $N^*$  is a pentaquark

## Insight into the Narrow Structure in $\eta$ Photoproduction on the Neutron from Helicity-Dependent Cross Sections

(A2 Collaboration at MAMI)

The double polarization observable  $E$  and the helicity dependent cross sections  $\sigma_{1/2}$  and  $\sigma_{3/2}$  were measured for  $\eta$  photoproduction from quasifree protons and neutrons. The circularly polarized tagged photon beam of the A2 experiment at the Mainz MAMI accelerator was used in combination with a longitudinally polarized deuterated butanol target. The almost  $4\pi$  detector setup of the Crystal Ball and TAPS is ideally suited to detect the recoil nucleons and the decay photons from  $\eta \rightarrow 2\gamma$  and  $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi^0$ . The results show that the narrow structure previously observed in  $\eta$  photoproduction from the neutron is only apparent in  $\sigma_{1/2}$  and hence, most likely related to a spin-1/2 amplitude. Nucleon resonances that contribute to this partial wave in  $\eta$  production are only  $N1/2^-$  ( $S_{11}$ ) and  $N1/2^+$  ( $P_{11}$ ). Furthermore, the extracted Legendre coefficients of the angular distributions for  $\sigma_{1/2}$  are in good agreement with recent reaction model predictions assuming a narrow resonance in the  $P_{11}$  wave as the origin of this structure.