

The $\Omega_c(3120)$ as a molecular state and its analogy with the $\Omega(2012)$

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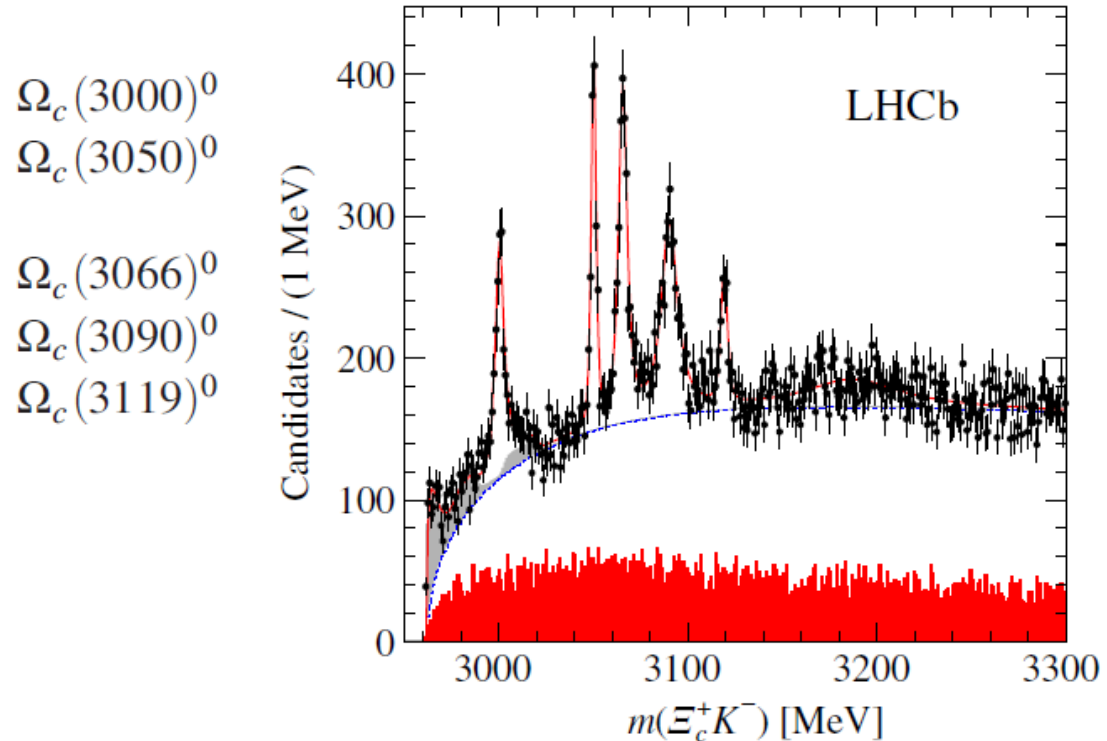
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Discovery of excited $\Omega_c (=css)$ states by LHCb

- Five states of Ω_c in 2017

Phys. Rev. Lett. 118, 182001 (2017)



- Two additional states of Ω_c in 2023

Phys. Rev. Lett. 131, 131902 (2023)

Resonance	m (MeV)	Γ (MeV)
$\Omega_c(3000)^0$	3000.44 ± 0.07	3.83 ± 0.23
$\Omega_c(3050)^0$	3050.18 ± 0.04	0.67 ± 0.17
$\Omega_c(3065)^0$	3065.63 ± 0.06	3.79 ± 0.20
$\Omega_c(3090)^0$	3090.16 ± 0.11	8.48 ± 0.44
$\Omega_c(3119)^0$	3118.98 ± 0.12	0.60 ± 0.63
$\Omega_c(3185)^0$	3185.1 ± 1.7	50 ± 7
$\Omega_c(3327)^0$	3327.1 ± 1.2	20 ± 5

- Many theoretical studies to understand the Ω_c nature
 - Quark model, -Molecular picture, Lattice QCD,....

Works based on molecular perspective of Ω_c

G. Montana, A. Feijoo and A. Ramos, Eur. Phys. J. A 54, 64 (2018)

V. R. Debastiani, J. M. Dias, W. H. Liang and E. Oset, Phys. Rev. D97, 094035 (2018)

- Coupled channels of Meson-Baryon interaction
- Vector meson exchange interaction based on local hidden gauge approach
- $\Omega_c(3050)$, $\Omega_c(3090)$:
 $J^P = 1/2^-$ states by both works
- $\Omega_c(3119)$:
Not obtained as a $J^P = 1/2^-$ state by both works
 $J^P = 3/2^-$ state by V. R. Debastiani et al.
 - Couples mostly to $\Xi_c^* \bar{K}$, $\Omega_c^* \eta$,
 - The mass was around 3125 MeV, and the width was zero

TABLE I. $J = 1/2$ states chosen and threshold mass in MeV.

States	$\Xi_c \bar{K}$	$\Xi_c' \bar{K}$	ΞD	$\Omega_c \eta$	ΞD^*	$\Xi_c \bar{K}^*$	$\Xi_c' \bar{K}^*$
Threshold	2965	3074	3185	3243	3327	3363	3472

TABLE II. $J = 3/2$ states chosen and threshold mass in MeV.

States	$\Xi_c^* \bar{K}$	$\Omega_c^* \eta$	ΞD^*	$\Xi_c \bar{K}^*$	$\Xi^* D$	$\Xi_c' \bar{K}^*$
Threshold	3142	3314	3327	3363	3401	3472

V. R. Debastiani et al., PRD 97, 094035 (2018)

Discovery of $\Omega(2012)$ by Belle: Excited state of Ω (=sss)

In 2018, Belle reported a new state $\Omega(2012)$ state: PRL121(2018)052003

$$M_{\Omega(2012)} = 2012.4 \pm 0.7 \pm 0.6 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Gamma_{\Omega(2012)} = 6.4_{-2.0}^{+2.5} \pm 1.6 \text{ MeV}$$

This prompted many theoretical studies of the $\Omega(2012)$ nature

- ▣ Quark model pictures
- ▣ Molecular pictures based on the meson-baryon interaction

$\Omega(2012)$ is dynamically generated as a molecular state from the $\bar{K}\Xi^*$ and $\eta\Omega$ coupled channels interaction

$J^P = 3/2^-$ state

To test the molecular nature of $\Omega(2012)$, the Belle performed some tests, particularly looking at the decay into $\bar{K}\pi\Xi$, a signal of the $\bar{K}\Xi^*$ component of the state.

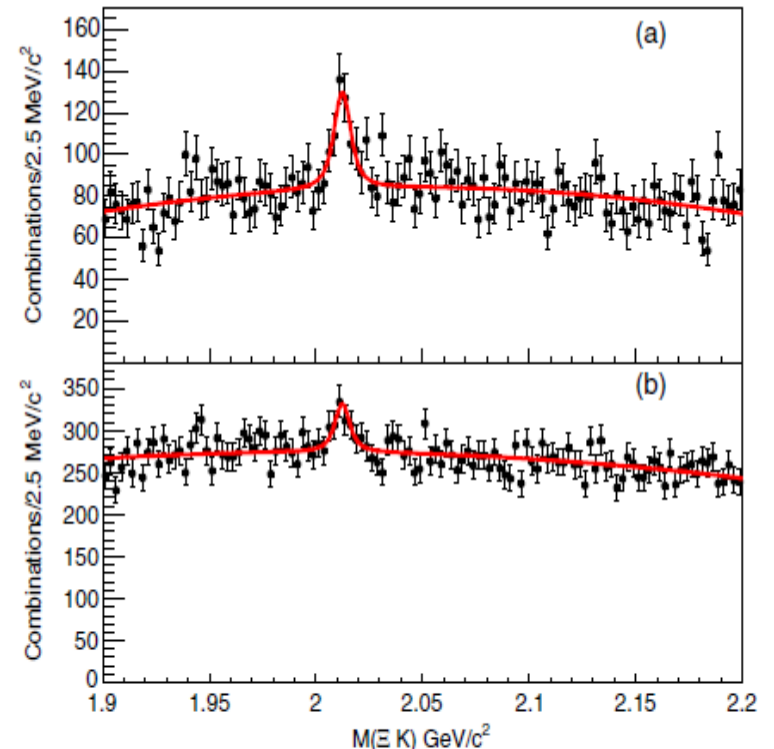


FIG. 2. The (a) $\Xi^0 K^-$ and (b) $\Xi^- K^0$ invariant mass distributions in data taken at the $\Upsilon(1S)$, $\Upsilon(2S)$, and $\Upsilon(3S)$ resonance energies.

Belle experiment of $\Omega(2012)$

- In **2019**, Belle reported a ratio of the $\Omega(2012)$ decay: PRD100(2019)032006

$$\mathcal{R}_{\Xi K}^{\Xi\pi K} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(\Omega(2012) \rightarrow \Xi(1530)(\rightarrow \Xi\pi)K)}{\mathcal{B}(\Omega(2012) \rightarrow \Xi K)} < 11.9\%$$

Three-body $\Xi\pi K$ decay width is significantly smaller than that of two-body ΞK decay width

⇒ Challenging result for the molecular picture nature, although not necessarily, as explained in

N. Ikeno, G. Toledo, E. Oset, PRD(2020)

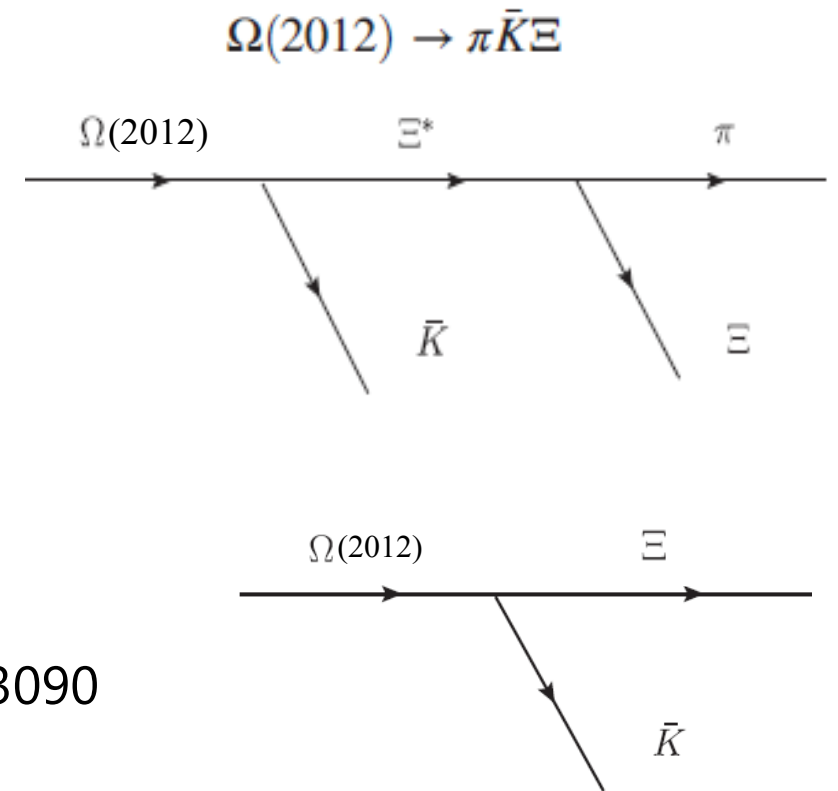
J. Lu, C. Zeng, E. Wang, J. Xie, and L. Geng, EPJC(2020)

- In **2022**, a reanalysis of data (different cut): arXiv:2207.03090

$$\mathcal{R}_{\Xi K}^{\Xi\pi\bar{K}} = 0.97 \pm 0.24 \pm 0.07$$

⇒ Consistent with the molecular interpretation e.g. R. Pavao and E. Oset, EPJC78(2018)

⇒ Strong support for the molecular picture



Analogy of $\Omega_c(3119)$ [$\Omega_c(3120)$ in PDG] and $\Omega(2012)$

Transition potential from coupled channels

- $\Omega_c(3120)$ with $J^P=3/2^-$

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} \Xi_c^* \bar{K} & \Omega_c^* \eta \\ \boxed{\begin{matrix} F & \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} F \\ \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} F & 0 \end{matrix}} & \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \Xi_c^* \bar{K} \\ \Omega_c^* \eta \end{matrix}$$

$$F = -\frac{1}{4f^2}(k^0 + k'^0)$$

k^0, k'^0 the energies of initial and final states

V. R. Debastiani, J. M. Dias, W. H. Liang, E. Oset, PRD97 (2018)

- $\Omega(2012)$ with $J^P=3/2^-$

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{K} \Xi^* & \eta \Omega & \bar{K} \Xi \\ \boxed{\begin{matrix} 0 & 3F \\ 3F & 0 \end{matrix}} & \alpha q_{\text{on}}^2 & \\ \alpha q_{\text{on}}^2 & \beta q_{\text{on}}^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \bar{K} \Xi^* \\ \eta \Omega \\ \bar{K} \Xi \end{matrix}$$

- s-wave potentials between $\bar{K} \Xi^*$ and $\eta \Omega$:

S. Sarkar, E. Oset, M.J. Vicente Vacas, NPA750(2005) 294

- $K \Xi$ channel is considered after the discovery of $\Omega(2012)$

R. Pavao and E. Oset, EPJC78(2018)

=> In the $\Omega_c(3120)$ case, we can introduce the $\Xi_c \bar{K}$ channel in the D-wave by analogy with what was done in the $\Omega(2012)$ case

- We like to understand the nature of $\Omega_c(3120)$ based on the molecular picture
- Apply the analogy of the $\Omega(2012)$ studies to $\Omega_c(3120)$
- We retake the work by V. R. Debastiani et al., PRD 97 (2018), and we introduce the $\Xi_c \bar{K}$ channel in the D-wave
- We evaluate the mass, width of $\Omega_c(3120)$, and the partial decay widths into $\Xi_c \bar{K}$ and $\pi \Xi_c \bar{K}$

Coupled channels approach

3 channels: $\Xi_c^* \bar{K}$, $\Omega_c^* \eta$ (s-wave), $\Xi_c \bar{K}$ (d-wave)

• Transition potential: $\Omega_c^* J^P=3/2^-$

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} \Xi_c^* \bar{K} & \Omega_c^* \eta & \Xi_c \bar{K} \\ F & \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} F & \alpha q_{\text{on}}^2 \\ \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} F & 0 & \beta q_{\text{on}}^2 \\ \alpha q_{\text{on}}^2 & \beta q_{\text{on}}^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \Xi_c^* \bar{K} \\ \Omega_c^* \eta \\ \Xi_c \bar{K} \end{matrix}$$

$$F = -\frac{1}{4f^2}(k^0 + k'^0) \quad q_{\text{on}} = \frac{\lambda^{1/2}(s, m_K^2, m_{\Xi_c}^2)}{2\sqrt{s}}$$

k^0, k'^0 the energies of initial and final states

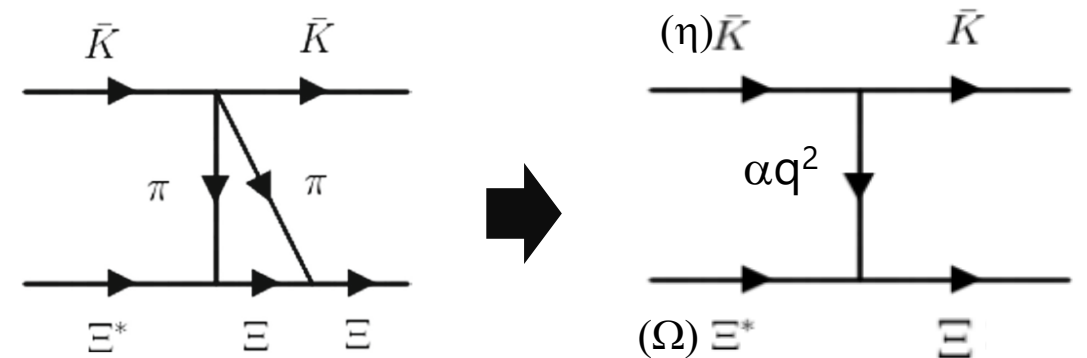
Attractive in the $\Xi_c^* \bar{K}$ channel
(\leftrightarrow Diagonal potential is **null** in the Ω (2012) case)

• Bethe-Salpeter equation:

$$T = [1 - VG]^{-1} V$$

- s-wave potentials between $\Xi_c^* \bar{K}$, $\Omega_c^* \eta$ taken from [V. R. Debastiani, J. M. Dias, W. H. Liang, E. Oset, PRD97 \(2018\)](#)
- d-wave potential between $\Xi_c \bar{K}$ and $\Xi_c^* \bar{K}$ or $\Omega_c^* \eta$ described in terms of α, β : **free parameters**

Similar way to [R. Pavao and E. Oset, EPJC78\(2018\)](#)



A possible d-wave diagram for the $\bar{K}\Xi^* \rightarrow \bar{K}\Xi$ transition

We do not make a model

Effect of Ξ_c^* decay width

- Meson-Baryon loop function G: $\text{diag}(G_{\Xi_c^* \bar{K}}, G_{\Omega_c^* \eta}, G_{\Xi_c \bar{K}})$

q_{max} : cut-off parameter

For s-wave channel of $\Xi_c^* \bar{K}, \Omega_c^* \eta$:

$$G_i(\sqrt{s}) = \int_{|\vec{q}| < q_{\text{max}}} \frac{d^3 q}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2\omega_i(q)} \frac{M_i}{E_i(q)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{s} - \omega_i(q) - E_i(q) + i\epsilon}$$

For d-wave channel of $\Xi_c \bar{K}$:

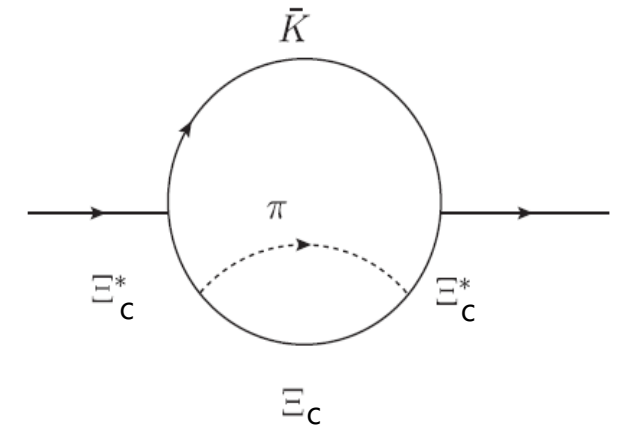
$$G_{\Xi_c \bar{K}}(\sqrt{s}) = \int_{|\vec{q}| < q_{\text{max}}} \frac{d^3 q}{(2\pi)^3} \left(\frac{q}{q_{\text{on}}}\right)^4 \frac{1}{2\omega_{\bar{K}}(q)} \frac{M_{\Xi_c}}{E_{\Xi_c}(q)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{s} - \omega_{\bar{K}}(q) - E_{\Xi_c}(q) + i\epsilon}$$

- We take into account Ξ_c^* decay width for $\Xi_c^* \rightarrow \pi \Xi_c$ decay

$$\tilde{G}_{\Xi_c^* \bar{K}}(\sqrt{s}) = \int_{|\vec{q}| < q_{\text{max}}} \frac{d^3 q}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2\omega_{\bar{K}}(q)} \frac{M_{\Xi_c^*}}{E_{\Xi_c^*}(q)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{s} - \omega_{\bar{K}}(q) - E_{\Xi_c^*}(q) + i \frac{\sqrt{s'}}{2E_{\Xi_c^*}(q)} \Gamma_{\Xi_c^*}(\sqrt{s'})}$$

$$\Gamma_{\Xi_c^*}(M_{\text{inv}}) = \frac{M_{\Xi_c^*}}{M_{\text{inv}}} \left(\frac{q'}{q'_{\text{on}}}\right)^3 \Gamma_{\text{on}} \theta(M_{\text{inv}} - m_{\pi} - M_{\Xi_c})$$

- Result **with** Ξ_c^* decay width: Accounts for $K\Xi_c$ and $\pi K\Xi_c$ decays
- Result **without** Ξ_c^* decay width: Only for $K\Xi_c$ decay



\Rightarrow Estimate $\Omega_c(3120)$ decay width into $K\Xi_c$ and $\pi K\Xi_c$ decay channels

Calculated mass and width of $\Omega_c(3120)$

We make a fit to the experimental data by changing **the α , β , q_{\max} parameters.**

Exp. data: $M_{\Omega_c(3120)} = 3119.1 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.9_{-0.5}^{+0.3}$ MeV,

$$\Gamma_{\Omega_c(3120)} = 1.1 \pm 0.8 \pm 0.4 \text{ MeV}.$$

We get a good fit to the data with the parameters

$$q_{\max} = 674.6 \text{ MeV}, \quad \alpha = 2.6 \times 10^{-8} \text{ MeV}^{-3},$$

$$\beta = 2.0 \times 10^{-9} \text{ MeV}^{-3}.$$

Pole position appears at $(3119.13 + i0.54)$ MeV.

\Rightarrow The width is 1.08 MeV in agreement with the data

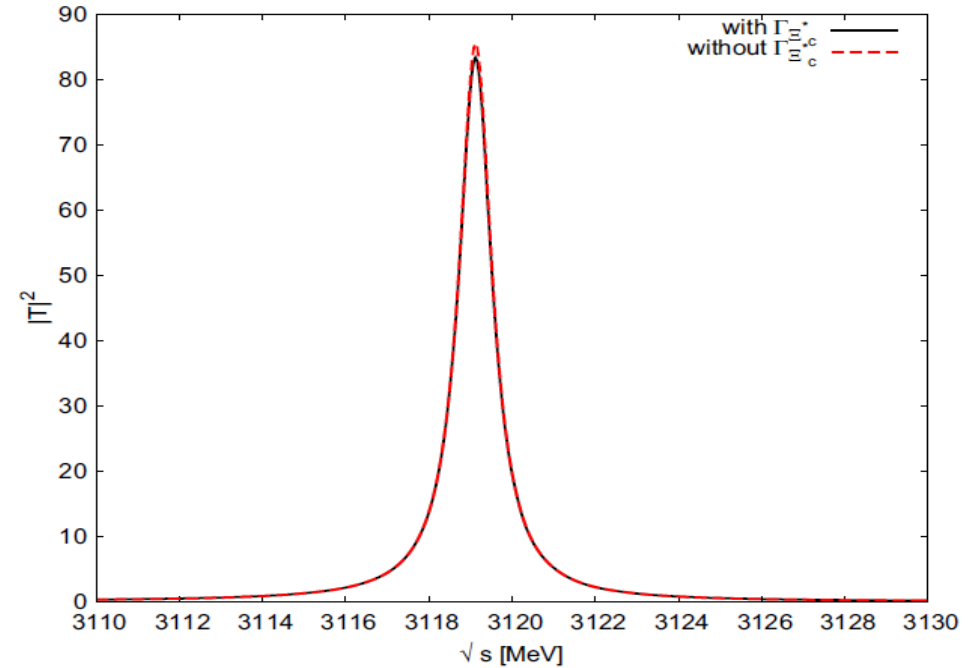


FIG. 2. $|T_{\Xi_c^* \bar{K}}|^2$ as a function of \sqrt{s} in the cases with $\Gamma_{\Xi_c^*}$ and without $\Gamma_{\Xi_c^*}$, respectively.

Effect of Ξ_c^* decay width is very small in Figure

\Rightarrow Unlike in the case of the $\Omega(2012)$, we cannot

determine the $\Omega_c(3120) \rightarrow \Xi_c^* \bar{K} \rightarrow \Xi_c \pi \bar{K}$ in this way \Rightarrow We use the other way

Couplings g_i , wf at the origin($g_i G_i$), probability $-g_i^2 \frac{\partial G_i}{\partial \sqrt{s}}$

- $\Omega_c(3120)$

	$\Xi_c^* \bar{K}$	$\Omega_c^* \eta$	$\Xi_c \bar{K}$
g_i	$2.06 - i0.02$	$2.09 - i0.01$	-0.138
$g_i G_i$	$-36.77 + i0.17$	$-17.64 + i0.06$	
$-g_i^2 \frac{\partial G_i}{\partial \sqrt{s}}$	0.63	0.10	

- $\Omega(2012)$ R. Pavao and E. Oset, EPJC78(2018)

	$\Xi_c^* \bar{K}$	$\Omega \eta$	$\Xi \bar{K}$
g_i	$2.01 + i0.02$	$2.84 - i0.01$	-0.29
$g_i G_i$	$-37.11 + i0.55$	$-24.95 + i0.38$	
$-g_i^2 \frac{\partial G_i}{\partial \sqrt{s}}$	0.64	0.16	

The couplings are defined at the pole as

$$g_i g_j = \lim_{\sqrt{s} \rightarrow \sqrt{s_p}} (\sqrt{s} - \sqrt{s_p}) T_{ij},$$

with $\sqrt{s_p}$ the energy of the pole

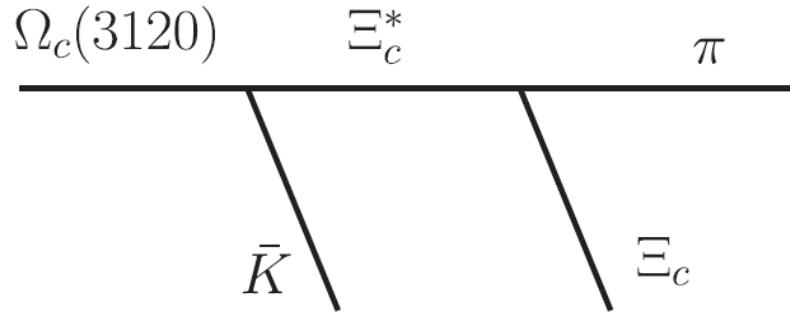
$\Xi_c^* \bar{K}$ has the largest probability of around 63% and $\Omega_c^* \eta$ around 10%

\Rightarrow Largely molecular state

The results of $\Omega_c(3120)$ are similar to those of $\Omega(2012)$.

Partial decay widths into $\Xi_c \bar{K} \pi$ and $\Xi_c \bar{K}$

- Mechanism for $\Omega_c(3120)$ to decay into $\Xi_c \bar{K} \pi$ via primary decay into $\Xi_c^* \bar{K}$

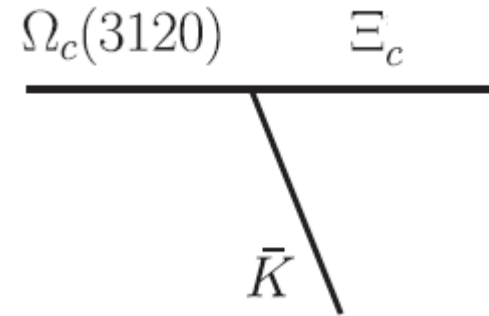


$$\frac{d\Gamma_{\Omega_c}}{dM_{\text{inv}}(\pi \Xi_c)} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{M_{\Xi_c}}{M_{\Omega_c}} p_{\bar{K}} \tilde{p}_{\pi} |t_{\Omega_c \rightarrow \pi \bar{K} \Xi_c}|^2$$

$$t_{\Omega_c \rightarrow \pi \bar{K} \Xi_c} = g_{\Omega_c, \bar{K} \Xi_c^*} \frac{1}{M_{\text{inv}}(\pi \Xi_c) - M_{\Xi_c^*} - i\Gamma_{\Xi_c^*}/2} g_{\Xi_c^*, \pi \Xi_c} \tilde{p}_{\pi}$$

$$\Gamma_{\Omega_c \rightarrow \Xi_c \pi \bar{K}} = \underline{0.03 \text{ MeV}}$$

- $\Omega_c(3120)$ to decay into $\Xi_c \bar{K}$



$$\Gamma_{\Omega_c \rightarrow \Xi_c \bar{K}} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{M_{\Xi_c}}{M_{\Omega_c}} g_{\Omega_c, \Xi_c \bar{K}}^2 p'_{\bar{K}} = \underline{0.90 \text{ MeV}}$$

=> Sum of them is $\Gamma_{\Omega_c} \sim \mathbf{1 \text{ MeV}}$

The width of $\Omega_c(3120)$ decay to $\Xi_c \bar{K} \pi$ is much smaller than the $\bar{K} \pi \Xi$ in the case of the $\Omega(2012)$. The small ratio of 3% is challenging in the present experimental errors

Scattering length a_j and effective range $r_{0,j}$

- $\Omega_c(3120)$

	a_j	$r_{0,j}$
$\Xi_c^* \bar{K}$	$1.45 - i0.07$	$-0.08 - i0.01$
$\Omega_c^* \eta$	$0.44 - i0.09$	$0.26 + i0.01$

- $\Omega(2012)$

	a_j	$r_{0,j}$
$\Xi^* \bar{K}$	$1.69 - i0.17$	$-0.37 - i0.01$
$\Omega \eta$	$0.51 - i0.09$	$0.25 - i0.03$

Scattering length

$$-\frac{1}{a_j} = -\frac{8\pi\sqrt{s}}{2M_j} (T_{jj})^{-1} \Big|_{\sqrt{s_{\text{th},j}}}$$

Effective range

$$r_{0,j} = \frac{1}{\mu_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial \sqrt{s}} \left[-\frac{8\pi\sqrt{s}}{2M_j} (T_{jj})^{-1} + ik_j \right] \Big|_{\sqrt{s_{\text{th},j}}}$$

These magnitudes are determined experimentally, something feasible nowadays, for instance, measuring correlation functions

Discussion on the nature of T_{cc} and $X(3872)$ from these information

J. Song, L. R. Dai and E. Oset, PRD 108,114017 (2023); L. R. Dai, J. Song and E. Oset, PLB846, 138200 (2023)

Summary

- We have studied the $\Omega_c(3120)$ based on the molecular picture
- The $\Omega_c(3120)$ mostly couples to $\Xi_c^* \bar{K}$, $\Omega_c^* \eta$ channels
- The state with $J^P = 3/2^-$ decays to $\Xi_c \bar{K}$ in the D-wave and we included this decay channel in our approach
- Evaluation of the fraction of the $\Omega_c(3120)$ width that goes into $\Xi_c \bar{K} \pi$ by the analogous analysis of $\Omega(2012)$ to see the nature of the molecular state
⇒ Small ratio of about 3% is obtained due to a relatively big binding, compared to its analogous $\Omega(2012)$ state
- As an alternative, the scattering length, and effective length, together with BE, and width of $\Omega_c(3120)$ will help to understand the nature of $\Omega_c(3120)$

