Pentaquarks Facts and Mysteries



- Introduction
- Experimental facts: Θ⁺(1540)
- Theoretical situation
- Experimental facts: Ξ(1860)
- Quintessence

Ordering schemes

- help to understand the principle of underlying physics
- help to make make predictions of missing pieces
- Dmitry Ivanovich Mendeleev (1834-1907)
 - *Zeitschrift für Chemie* **12**, 405-6 (1869)

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Te cannot have the atomic weight 128, but rather 123-126.

The Particle Zoo

 during the 50s and 60s many new elementary particles were discovered (particle zoo)



 1962 Murray Gell-Mann and, independently, Yuval Ne'eman suggested the *eightfold way* (baryon octet)

Quark/Aces model (1964)

- substructure of hadrons
 - ▶ Murray Gell-Mann → quarks
 - George Zweig $\rightarrow aces$
- quarks:
 - fractional electric charge!
 - ▶ spin 1/2
 - come in **flavors** (up, down, ...)





Gell-Mann

Zweig



quark	spin	charge	baryon	strangeness
		Q/e	number B	S
u	1/2	+2/3	1/3	0
d	1/2	-1/3	1/3	0
S	1/2	-1/3	1/3	-1

- baryons = three quarks
- mesons = quark-antiquark pair

$$B = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = 1$$
$$B = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{3} = 0$$



Quark Model

- Quark model in SU(3) (u, d and s quark have similar mass):
 - three valence quarks define flavour content of a baryon



 Success: prediction of W⁻ (Gell-Mann, 1964) and subsequent observation (V.E. Barnes *et al.*, 1964)

The Omega baryon





FIG. 2. Photograph and line diagram of event showing decay of Ω^{-} .

Pentaquarks



- common believe is that the states should be color neutral
- but: quark model does not exclude systems of more than 3 quarks
- in case of 5 quarks this implies a $qqqq\bar{q}$ to be color neutral
- two cases for baryons
 - antiquark has same flavor than another quark

$$qqqq_{f}\overline{q}_{f}:$$

$$B(qqqq_{f}\overline{q}_{f}) = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{3} = 1$$

$$Q(qqqq_{f}\overline{q}_{f}) = Q(qqq) = -1, 0 \text{ or } 1$$

$$S(qqqq_{f}\overline{q}_{f}) = S(qqq) = 0, -1, -2 \text{ or } -3$$

- same quantum numbers as ordinary baryons
- antiquark has unique flavor

$$qqqq\bar{Q}:$$

$$B(qqqq\bar{Q}) = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{3} = 1$$

$$Q(qqqq\bar{Q}) = Q(qqq) = -2, -1, 0, 1, 2$$

$$G(qqqq\bar{Q}) = -2, -1, 0, +1$$

$$UUdd\bar{S}$$

exotic quantum numbers or combinations possible

Group classification of $qqqq\bar{q}$

- B.G. Wybourne, hep-ph/0307170
- antidecuplet and octet



Beyond Meson and Baryons



- Until a year ago many signals of narrow exotic resonances have appeared, but all disappeared after detailed studies again !
 - ...for example the "famous" U-particle at 3100MeV/c² (diquonium)



WA62: 135 GeV/c Σ^- + Be



WA62, Phys. Lett. B **172**, 113 (1986)

U⁺ Ϸ $\Lambda \overline{p} \pi^{+} \pi^{+}$ S/B = 45/50 **σ**•BR = 4.8 ± 1.4 ± 0.8 μb/Be

U⁰ Ϸ $\Lambda \overline{p} \pi^{+} \pi^{+} \pi^{-}$ S/B = 19/28 σ•BR = 1.2 ± 0.7 ± 0.2 μb/Be

U⁻ \triangleright $\Lambda \overline{p} \pi^{+} \pi^{-}$ S/B = 62/187 σ•BR = 3.0 ± 1.7 ± 0.5 μb/Be



BIS 2: 135 GeV/c n + A





1. Experimental facts Part 1: $\Theta^+(1540)$

How to make a Pentaquark $\Theta^+(1540)$





 baryon can be detected (easy: p) or can be reconstructed from missing mass (diffcult: n)



Super Photon ring-8 GeV SPring-8

Third-generation synchrotron radiation facility Circumference: 1436 m 8 GeV 100 mA

62 beamlines



LEPS @ SPring-8 (1)

- T. Nakano et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 91, 012002 (2003)
- Compton backscattering of photons, E_{γ} =1.5-2.4GeV
- plastic scintillator (C:H=1:1)
- p or n from missing mass of N(γ,K⁺K⁻)X
- Cuts

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- ▶ total 4.3·10⁷
- ► K⁺K⁻ pair 8000
- SC target
 4000
- ► E_γ<2.35GeV 3200
- ▶ [0.9<M(N)<0.98] 1800
- ► M(KK)∉[1.00,1.04] 270
- ¬γp→K⁺K⁻p 109
- b) Events/(0.02 GeV/c²) 5 01 51 0 1.5 1.6 1.8 1.7 $MM_{\nu K}^{c}$ (GeV/c²)

- ▶ M(Θ⁺) = 1540 MeV
- ► Γ≤ 25 MeV
- 4.6 σ significance









Is the Θ^+ a reflection?



- A.R. Dzierba *et al.*,hep-ph/0311125
- total energy w of the KKN System in CLAS experiment: w=2.1-2.6GeV
- angular distribution \otimes w-distribution





SAPHIR @ ELSA (4)

J. Barth *et al*., Phys. Lett. B 572, 127 (2003)

 $\gamma p \to K^0_s \Theta^+ \to K^0_s K^+ n$



- ► M(Θ+) = 1540±6 MeV
- ► Γ≤ 25 MeV

So in

- 5.2 σ significance
- no signal in $\Theta^{++} \rightarrow K^+ p \Rightarrow$ suggests isoscalar state
- $\sigma(\Theta^+): \sigma(\Lambda_{1520})=60$ nb : (800-1200)nb $\approx 1:15$

vCC interactions @ CERN (5)

- A.E. Asratyan et al., hep-ex/0309042
- reanalysis of neutrino data collected at CERN in bubble chambers (WA21, WA25, WA59, E180, E632)

targets: p, d, Ne

dominated by Ne

24 Neon plus Deuterium 10 MeV comb. m(K_s⁰p)^{2.2}, GeV 1.6 1.8 2 2.4 2.6 18 Chi2 / ndf = 22.33 / 21 = 1.533 ± 0.004737 16 shifted = 0.008379 ± 0.002043 = 25.56 ± 6.417 bins = 1.214 ± 0.5881 comb. / 10 MeV = 17.71 ± 4.732 1.6 1.7 1.9 1.5 1.8 m(K_s^⁰p) , GeV

- ► M(Θ+) = 1533±5 MeV
- ► Γ≤ 20 MeV
- 6.7 σ significance

CLAS (p) @ TNAF (6)



HERMES @ DESY (7)

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• $\sigma(\Theta^+): \sigma(\Lambda_{1520}) = (100-220) \text{nb} : (62\pm11) \text{nb} \approx 2:1$



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A.Aleev *et al.*, hep-ex/ 70GeV p+C, Si, Pb \rightarrow pK⁰ + X



• no significant A dependence: consistent with $\propto A^{0.7}$

COSY-TOF (9)

external beam at COSY; 2000 + 2002 data

 $pp \rightarrow pK^0(\Sigma^+)$

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- p_p = 2.85, 2.95 and 3.2 GeV/c²
- σ_{tot}(2.95GeV/c²)=12.7μb



► $\Gamma_{\Theta} \le 25 \text{MeV}$

σ=0.4±0.1(stat)±0.1(sys) μb

ZEUS (10)

- S. Chekanov, hep-ex/0405013
- e⁺p and e⁻p
- c.m. energy 300-318 GeV
- ▶ Q²>1GeV²



- ▶ signals in K⁰p and K⁰pbar
- 372±75 candidates
- 1522±2(stat) MeV
- Γ=8±4(stat) MeV (from Monte Carlo expected 2MeV)

JINR C_3H_8 (11)



P. Zh. Aslanyan et al., hep-ex/0403044

 $10 \text{GeV/c } \text{p+C}_3 \text{H}_8$

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propane bubble chamber



JINR H₂ (12)

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hep-ex/0404003

1m H₂ bubble chamber at JINR



PHENIX (preliminary) (13)



C. Pinkenburg, Quark Matter 2004 d+Au, $\sqrt{s}=200$ GeV



- Excess at 1.54 GeV in $\overline{n}K^{-}$ invariant mass
- $\Gamma_{\Theta} \leq 6 \text{MeV} \approx \Gamma_{\Lambda}$

Nor or

"We ain't saying it's there and we ain't saying it's not there."

PHENIX (update)



Currently it is unclear what mechanism is behind the appearance of the peak at $1.54 \,\mathrm{GeV/c^2}$ and why the control $\mathrm{K^+\,\overline{n}}$ invariant mass distribution did not exhibit Don't stop when you see what you expect. $_{\mathrm{the}}$ neutrond anti– capał Try to disprove yourself! sigma or their

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Invariant Mass

GeV/c^2

Summary of published Observation



"Poor Mans" High Statistics Experiment

- Adding all spectra
 - fine binning (0.25MeV) because of different bin limits
 - equal distribution of counts within an original bin
 - adding corresponding sub-bins
 - re-binning in 10 resp. 15 MeV bins



Experimental status of $\Theta^+(1540)$

- Presently 12 experiments have seen a signal around 1.54 GeV/c²
 - 9 published
 - 3 preliminary



Summary of published Observations



The unseen $\Theta^+(1540)$???

 pointed out by V.D. Burkert, Pentaquark 2003 Workshop



• K⁺p interactions at $p_{K}=1.2-1.7$ GeV/c

A. Berthon, Nucl. Phys. B 63, 54 (1973)

The unseen $\Theta^+(1540)$!

• A. Berthon, Nucl. Phys. B 63, 54 (1973)



New LEPS experiment 2004: $\gamma d \rightarrow K^+K^-n$

- Ken Hicks (Ohio University), Denver APS Meeting, May 2, 2004
- Θ-peak:
 - ▶ 2003: 18 events
 - 2004: ~100 events
 - (x5-10 fold statistics)
- But: Why is the signal:background ratio so much smaller?
- we better wait for the final paper!


HERA-B (preliminary) (2)

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- T. Knöpfle, Quark Matter 04, Oakland, January 11 17, 2004 p+C, Ti, W; $p_p=920$ GeV/c
- expected mass resolution for $\delta M(\Theta^+)=3.2\pm0.2 MeV$



- at mid rapidity $\Theta^+(1540)/\Lambda(1520) < 0.002$
- F. Becattini *et al.*, hep-ph/0310049: Θ⁺(1540)/Λ(1520)~0.6

OPAL (3)



Georg Lafferty, 6. Jan 2004 (unpublished)

www.hep.man.ac.uk/u/gdl/xmas.pp

- Used 5M hadronic Z⁰ decay events from the LEP 1 data sample
- Track combinations from displaced vertices make K⁰_s candidates
- Use of dE/dx allows for proton identification
- Various other uninteresting standard cuts



T. Wengler, Moriond 2004

XXXIXth Rencontres de Moriond - March 28th-April 4th 2004 QCD and Hadronic interactions at high energy

- http://moriond.in2p3.fr/QCD/2004/WednesdayAfternoon/Wengler.pdf
- hadronic Z decays

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3.5M Hadronic Z decay 2800 A(1520)





HYPER-CP (E871) (6)



- M.J. Longo, QNP2004
- http://www.qnp2004.org/
- mixed beam (p, π , K, Y)
- p=120-250GeV/c
- pos. and neg. beam
- mass resolution <2MeV</p>



The ratio of θ^+ to total K^0 , *p* is <0.25% at 90% confidence level. This is compared to 2–8% for $\theta^+ \rightarrow K^0$, *p* sightings

E690 (7)

- ▶ D. Christian, QNP 2004
- ► pK_s in 800 GeV/c pp $\rightarrow pK_sK^-\pi^+p$
- Monte Carlo pKs ma: 225
- 5000 Λ(1520) above ²⁰⁰/₁₇₅
- ▶ Yield of ⊖(1530) < 2 150





Ghost tracks (HYPER-CP)

- ghost tracks can cause a peak around 1540 MeV
- postive track from $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-$ is used twice (as proton and π^+)
- final "ghost" state $p\pi^+\pi^-$



Status of Width Γ_{Θ}

- Θ⁺-Experiments
 - in most experiments the observed width is compatible with the experimental resolution (FWHM)

SPring8	<25	DIANA	<9
CLAS (d)	<21	SAPHIR	<25
ITEP (n)	<20	CLAS (p)	<26
SVD	<24	COSY-TOF	<18

- some indications for width ≈10MeV HERMES: $\Gamma = 19 \pm 5 \pm 2$ MeV MC: 14.3 MeV ZEUS: $\Gamma = 10 \pm 2$ (stat) MeV MC: 4 MeV
- From KN scattering data
 - R.A. Arndt et al., nucl-th/0311030
 - J. Haidenbauer *et al*., hep-ph/0309243
 - ▷ examined K⁺p and K⁺d scattering database
 - ▷ no structure in present data at $p_{Lab,K} \approx 0.44 GeV/c$
 - ▷ Compatible with a resonance around 1540MeV only if Γ_{Θ} <1MeV

2. Theoretical situation

"Everything should be made as simple as possible, but not simpler."

A. Einstein

The Boom of theoretical papers





What are these Peaks?

- KN molecular interpretation unlikely
 - \blacktriangleright Θ is above the KN threshold by 105 MeV; width <10 MeV
 - assume simple potential scattering
 - width and depth of a potential is related to position and width of resonance
 - for illustration: p-wave
 - ▷ width of potential ≈0.05fm

but

- typical scale of strong interaction 1fm
- ▶ no mechanism known to produce a resonance at r ≈0.05fm unless high L waves involved

▷ D.E. Kahana and S.H. Kahana, hep-ph/0310026

 even if possible: kaon and nucleon would loose their identity at r=0.05fm

KπN molecule

- P. Bicudo and M. Marques, hep-ph/0308078
- m(K⁺)+m(π)+m(N)≈1570MeV
- binding energy of 30 MeV typical
- possible but: implies bound πK system (not observed so far)
 - ▷ T. Kishimoto and T. Sato, hep-ex/0312003





What are these Peaks (if they are real)

What can it be:

$K^+(u\overline{s})n(udd)$

- decay into a baryon \Rightarrow It must be a baryonic system
- the small width <10MeV \Rightarrow must decay via strong interaction
- strong decay conserves strangeness
 - \Rightarrow particle must contain strange antiquark
- minimal quark configuration

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▶ is the mass of $\Theta^+(1540)$ consistent with a pentaguark state? naïve guark model:

 $m(\Theta^+) = 350 \times 4 + 500 = 1900 \text{ MeV}$

- need additional "interaction" between guarks
 - ▷ solitons
 - ▷ diquarks

▷ ...

Pentaquarks in Lattice QCD

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A study of pentaquarks on the lattice with overlap fermions

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We present a quenched lattice QCD calculation of spin-1/2 five-quark states with $uudd\bar{s}$ quark content for both positive and negative parities. We do not observe any bound pentaquark state in these channels for either I = 0 or I = 1. The states we found are consistent with KN scattering states which are checked to exhibit the expected volume dependence of the spectral weight. The results are based on overlap-fermion propagators on two lattices, $12^3 \times 28$ and $16^3 \times 28$, with the same lattice spacing of 0.2 fm, and pion mass as low as ~ 180 MeV.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Since the reported discovery [1] two years ago of an exotic 5-quark resonance, named $\Theta^+(uudd\bar{s})$, with a mass of about 1540 MeV and a narrow width of less than 20 MeV, there has been a rapid growth of interest in the subject. More independent experiments have reported the observation of the state [2]. It also stimulated the search for other pentaquarks [3]. It should be pointed out, however, that there are also a number of experiments reporting negative results [4]. One has to wait for high statistics experiments to clarify the situation in order to establish the exotic state beyond doubt.

The strangeness quantum number of Θ^+ is S = +1, but its isospin and spin-parity assignments are undetermined by the experiments. Based just on the valence quark content, the isospin could be 0, 1, or 2. The spinfiguration of a product of color-neutral meson and baryon interpolation fields,

$$\chi_1^{\mp} = \epsilon^{abc} \left(u^{Ta} C \gamma_5 d^b \right) \left[u^c \left(\bar{s}^e \gamma_5 d^e \right) \mp \left\{ u \leftrightarrow d \right\} \right], \quad (1)$$

where sum over all the color indices $\{a, b, c, e\}$ is implied. The minus sign is for isospin I=0 and plus sign for I=1 respectively. The explicit spin-parity of this interpolating field is $\frac{1}{2}^{-}$. By explicit, we mean the time-forward correlation with projection to the upper Dirac component using the $(1 + \gamma_4)$ projector. A slight variation with a different color contraction is given by

$$\chi_2^{\mp} = \epsilon^{abc} \left(u^{Ta} C \gamma_5 d^b \right) \left[u^e \left(\bar{s}^e \gamma_5 d^c \right) \mp \left\{ u \leftrightarrow d \right\} \right], \quad (2)$$

where the color indices e and c are positioned differently. Both interpolation fields in Eq. (1) and Eq. (2) have been used in lattice calculation to study the pentaquark

3. Experimental facts Part 2: Ξ(1860)

"The first principle is that you must not fool yourself--and you are the easiest person to fool. So you have to be very careful about that. After you've not fooled yourself, it's easy not to fool other scientists."

Richard Feynman Cargo Cult Science (1974)

NA49: Observation of Ξ^{--} Pentaquark



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servation of an Exotic S = -2, Q = -2 Baryon Resonance in Proton-Proton Collisions at the CERN SPS

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Observation of the Ξ -(1862) by NA49





The WA89 Experiment

- reported first at Σ^{-} and π^{-} beam of 340 GeV/c, n-beam of 260 GeV/c
- C, Cu targets
- 1993, 1994 data taking
- $4 \cdot 10^8$ interactions (*NA49: 6.5 \cdot 10⁶ events*) TRD: beam identification

Si- μ -strip: vertex near target **MWPC**: tracking **RICH**: π/K separation Calorimeter: e, γ ; **n W**

beam



RICH

Hypero

1993 layout

Calorimeters

TED Target area

Decay area

DC.MWPC

Omega spectrometer



Cross sections

- more than 20 different strange and charmed hadrons are analyzed under identical conditions
- typical statistical distribution with slope ~ 150 MeV



Ξ^- production





$\Xi^{-}\pi^{-}$ @ WA89 (final result)



$\Xi^{-}\pi^{-}$ @ WA89

- hep-ex/0405042
- different kinematic cuts

 $X_F = \frac{2p_L^{CM}}{\sqrt{s}}$



Limits for cross section

- tried x_F-cuts, p_t-cuts, angle-cuts...
- extrapolation to cross section per nucleon

 $\sigma_{nucl} = \sigma_0 \cdot A^{2/3}$

- ▶ 0.15<x_F<0.9
- **•** C target: $BR \cdot \sigma_{nucl} < 16\mu b$ $BR \cdot \sigma_0 < 3.1\mu b$
- Cu target: BR· σ_{nucl} < 55 μ b

BR· $\sigma_0 < 3.5 \mu b$

- Other cross sections (0<x_F<1)
 - ► Ξ⁻(1320): σ₀=1000μb
 - ► Ξ⁰(1530): σ₀=200μb
 - ► Ξ⁻(1820): BR · σ₀=20μb
 - Ξ⁻(1950): BR · σ₀ = 12μb



NA49 vs. WA89



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•	What is different between	NA49	and	WA89?	*
	target:	р	\leftrightarrow	C or Cu	
	beam energy:	158GeV	\leftrightarrow	340GeV	
	all known cross section h this energy regime	ave smoth beam r	noment	um depende	nce in
	beam:	p {uud}	\leftrightarrow	$\Sigma^{-} \{ dds \}$	
	▷ Σ^- has probably [ds] diquark structure [also possible for $\Xi^-(1860)$] ▷ no penalty factor compared to Ξ^- production expected				360)]
	• x_F range for observed Ξ^- :	[-0.25,+0.25]	\leftrightarrow	[0.1,1]	

Interesting situation!

- if the $\Xi^{--}(1860)$ exists it has an exotic production mechanism
- what about other experiments?

HERA-B (preliminary)



T. Knöpfle, Quark Matter 04, Oakland, January 11 - 17, 2004

p+C, Ti, W; p_p=920GeV/c ► C: 76M events

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- Ti: 16M events
- W: 72M events



- ▶ 11000 Ξ⁻
- resolution: 2.6 MeV

ZEUS

10:03





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e-p, √s=300-318GeV
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1361 E⁻

ZEUS



ALEPH

Dr. 04 P. Hansen, DIS04 3.5M Hadronic Z decay 80 3350 E⁻ 70 60 50 $\frac{N_{\Theta^+}}{N_{\Lambda(1520)}} \quad < \quad$ 40 0.10 30 20 NA49 peak $\frac{N_{\Xi(1862)^{--}}}{N_{\Xi(1530)^0}}$ 10 0 0.07 < **2.1** GeV/c² 1.5 1.7 1.8 1.9 1.6 2 1.4 doubly charged **Ep** invariant mass 120 100 80 60 40 $\Xi(1530)^{0}$ 20 0 **2.1** GeV/c² 1.5 1.7 1.8 1.4 1.6 1.9 2 neutral **Ep** invariant mass

CDF

Dr. 04



Igor Goreloc, DIS04

19150 Ξ⁻

 $18 \times statistics of NA49$



BABAR

0

1.9

2.8



1.95

1.9

Dr. 02 V. Halyo, 2004 APS April meeting e⁺e⁻, sqrt(s)=10.58 GeV 258000 E⁻ 450 Entries / 1 MeV m₌=1.862 GeV/c² 360 270 450 180 Entries / 1 MeV 360 90 270 0 1.85 1.8 $(\Xi^{-}\pi^{-})$ Inv Mass [GeV/c²] 180 90

3.7

4.6

 $(\Xi^{-}\pi^{-})$ Inv Mass [GeV/c²]

5.5



Experiment		number of Ξ^-		
е	NA49	1640 (incl. bg)		
J	WA89	676000		
J	HERA-B	11000		
J	ZEUS	1361		
J	ALEPH	3350		
J	CDF	19150		
J	BABAR	258000		

Last but not least...

- H1 collaboration, hep-ex/0403017
- ▶ predicted mass $M(\Theta_c)=2704 MeV/c^2$
 - Bin Wu & Bo-Qiang Ma, hep-ph/0402244



not seen by ZEUS and CDF





Quintessence

- On the experimental side...
 - The number of experiments, which have seen signatures of the Θ⁺(1540) is quite impressive

...but

- So far only low statistics experiments have seen signals for pentaquarks
- No experiment has seen both decay channels of the $\Theta^+(1540)$
- Masses of the observed peaks are barely consistent
- Consistency with KN scattering data not clear
- All present high statistics searches for the observed structures have failed so far
- It would be extremely surprising if the pentaquarks were only produced in specific reactions

- New experiments are scheduled to confirm the Θ⁺ in reactions where they were seen before
 - Spring-8, JLAB, ELSA, COSY...
 - typical improvement: factor 10
 - …let's wait for the final result

The Myth of Sysiphus



"The struggle itself toward the heights is enough to fill a man's heart. One must imagine Sisyphus happy."

Albert Camus (1955)

Cargo Cult Science

Richard Feynman

From a Caltech commencement address given in 1974 (Also in *Surely You're Joking, Mr. Feynman!*)

- ...the idea is to give all of the information to help others to judge the value of your contribution; not just the information that leads to judgement in one particular direction or another.
- The first principle is that you must not fool yourself--and you are the easiest person to fool. So you have to be very careful about that. After you've not fooled yourself, it's easy not to fool other scientists.
- If you've made up your mind to test a theory, or you want to explain some idea, you should always decide to publish it whichever way it comes out. If we only publish results of a certain kind, we can make the argument look good. We must publish BOTH kinds of results.