Preliminary Cross Section for $\Xi(1530)$

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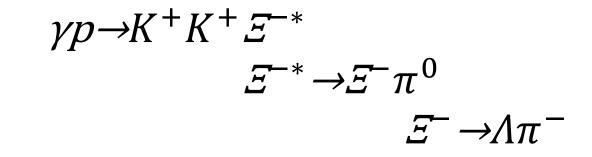




Preliminary $\mathcal{Z}^{*-}(1530) \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}^{-}\pi^{0}$ cross section



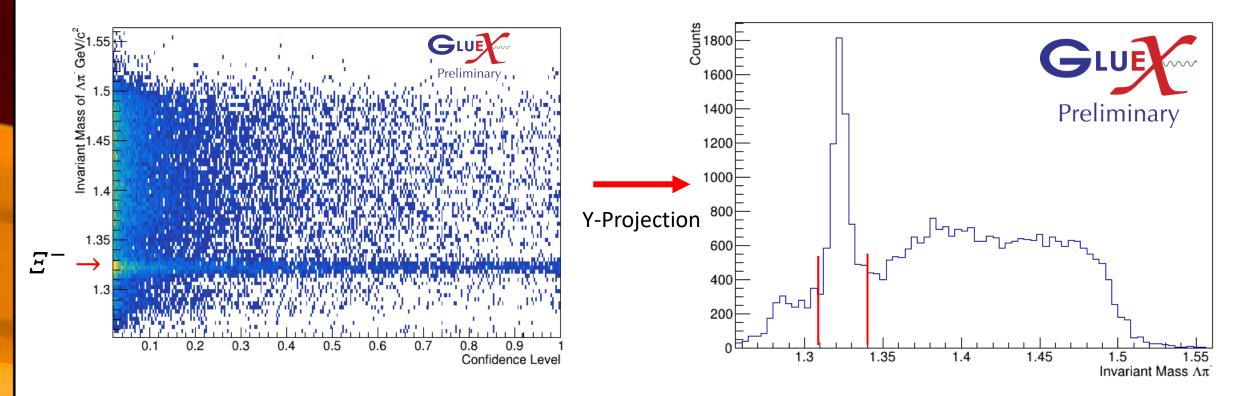
Decay chain



Note: $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ and $\Lambda \rightarrow p \pi^-$



Ξ^- Invariant mass selection



• Cut around the signal of the ground state cascade

Background contamination from K^*

• From the combinatorics of all final state particles, there can be an incorrectly linked K^* meson associated with the reaction

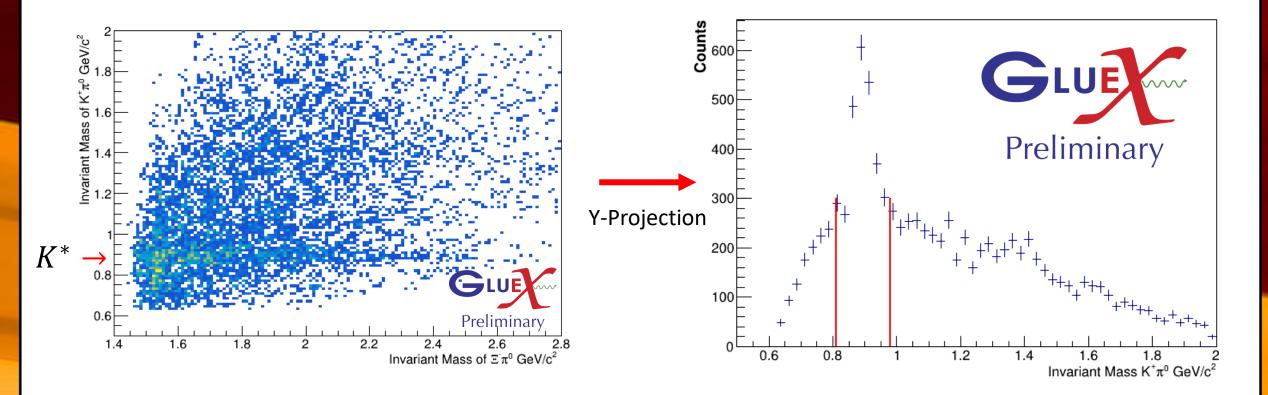
$$\gamma p \longrightarrow K^+ K^+ \Xi^{-*}$$
$$\Xi^{-*} \longrightarrow \Xi^- \pi^0$$

$$\gamma p \rightarrow K^+(K^+\pi^0)\Xi^-$$

$$K^{*+} \rightarrow K^+ \pi^0$$

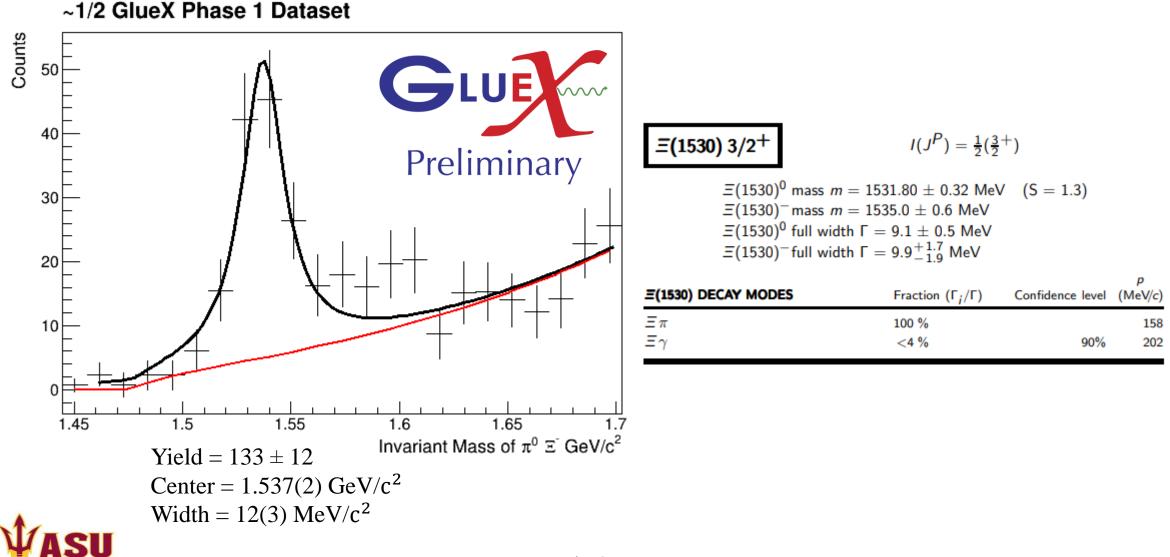


Background contamination from K*



• Reject events associated with $K^* \to K^+ \pi^0$ contamination

Excited Cascade 1530 Reconstruction



Modeling the cascade production in signal MC

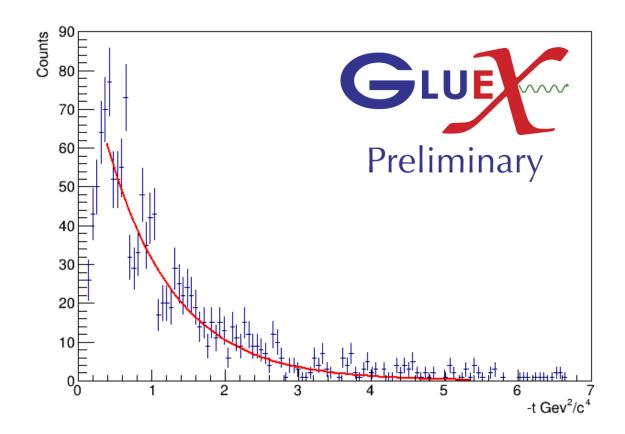
• Theoretical Calculations done by Nakayama, Oh and Haberzettl proposed the cascade/excited cascade are produced by a two-step process:

$$\gamma p \longrightarrow K^+ Y^*$$

$$Y^* \longrightarrow K^+ \mathcal{Z}^{-*}$$

• Direct production of the Ξ^{-*} would be OZI suppressed with two strange- antistrange pairs at the production vertex. Therefore, I defined *t* as $t = (P_{\gamma} - P_{K^+})^2$

t-Slope extraction



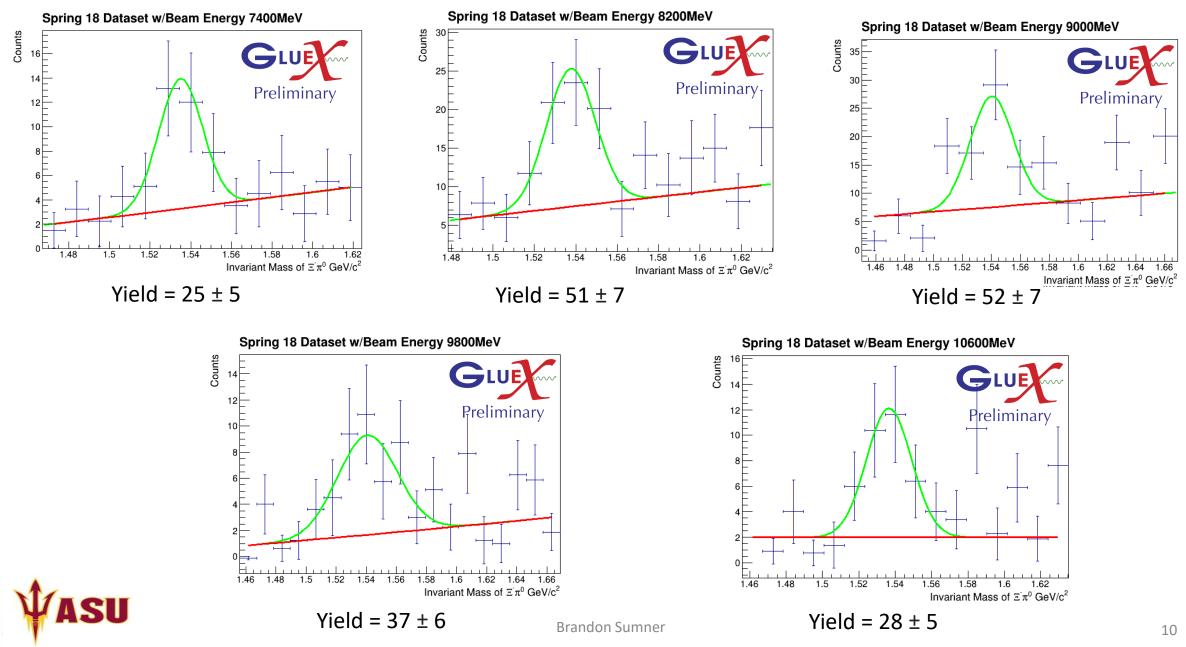
• Selecting events within the excited cascade 1530 peak

• Assuming :
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \propto e^{-bt}$$

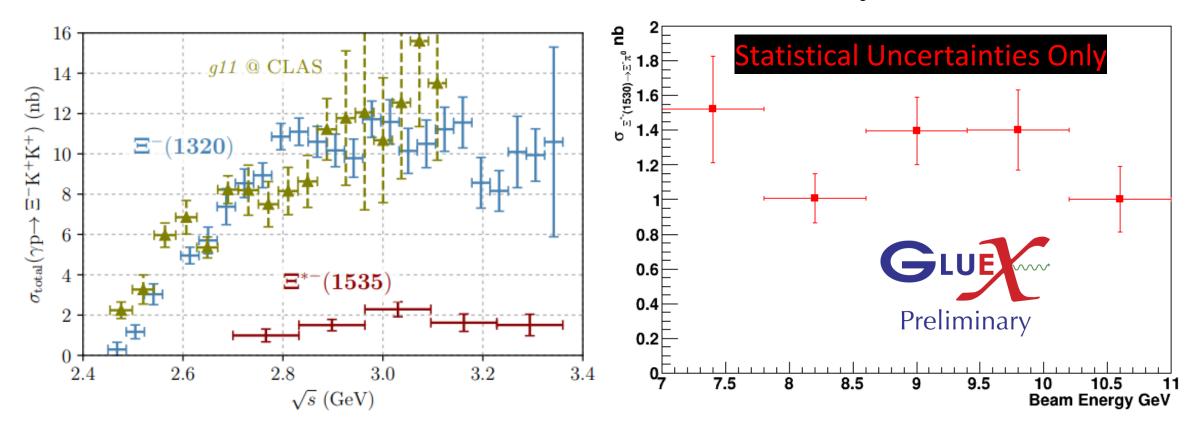
$$b = 1.08(4)/\text{GeV}^2$$



Energy-dependent E(1530) Yield Extraction

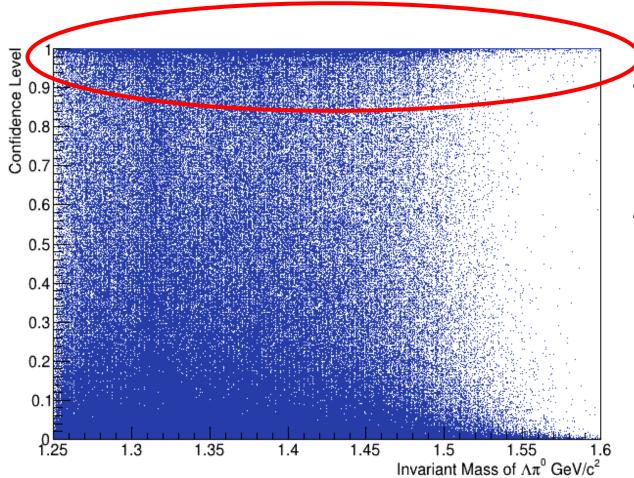


Cross sections for cascade baryons



"Upper limits were calculated on the production total cross sections of the three best-known excited states: the $\Xi(1690)$, the $\Xi(1820)$ and the $\Xi(1950)$ [7] at 0.75 nb, 1.01 nb, and 1.58 nb, respectively" -Study of Ξ Photoproduction from threshold to W = 3.3 GeV via CLAS collaboration

Issues w/Vertex fitting

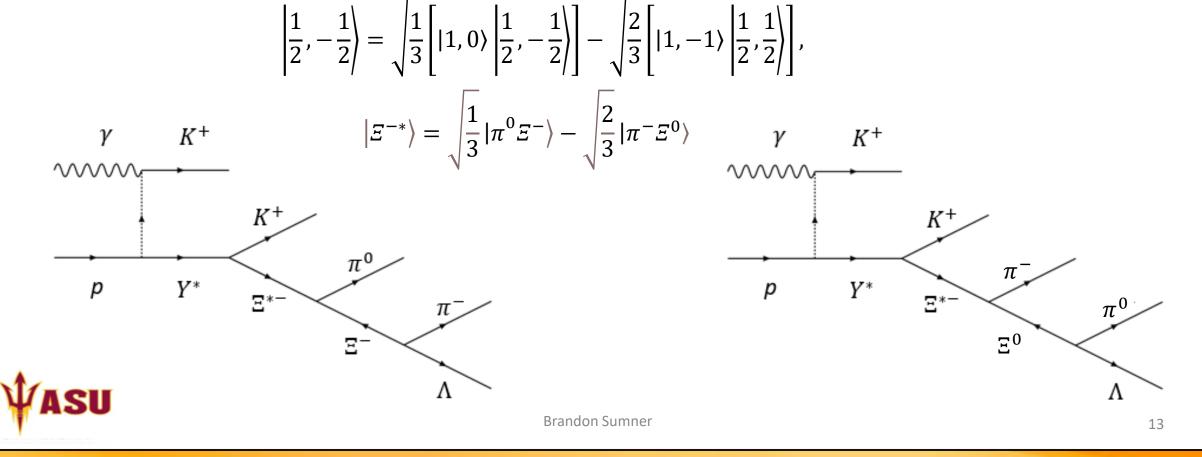


- Large contamination of misidentified particles at high confidence level
- The issues originates from the two neutrals come from the same vertex

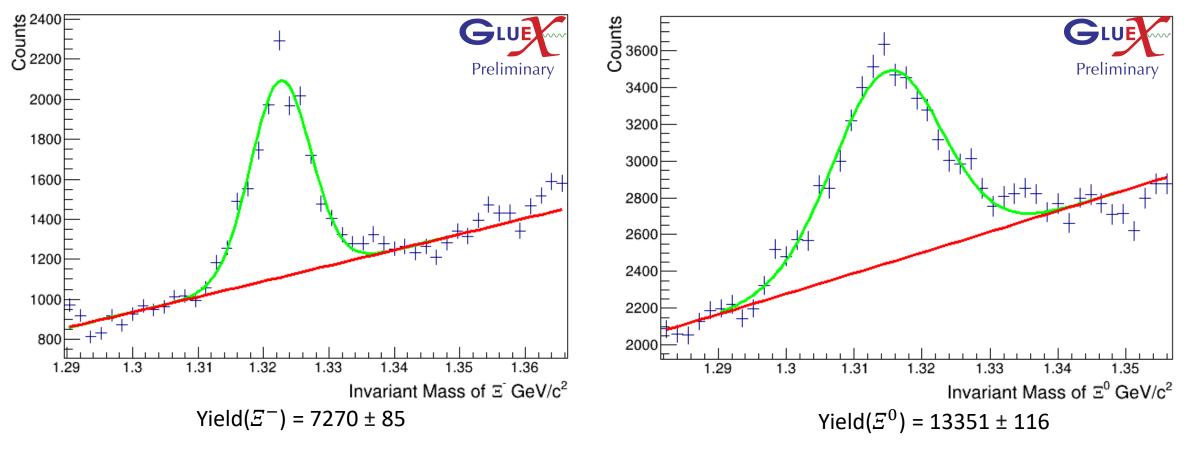


Clebsch Gordan study motivation

• This reaction $\Xi^* \rightarrow \Xi \pi$ should conserve isospin. Using Clebsch-Gordan coefficients we can that determine the neutral cascade channel should occur twice as often.



Yields from Ξ^0 and Ξ^- w/o vertex fitting w/CL above 10^{-3}



$$\frac{N[\Xi^{-}(1320)]}{N[\Xi^{0}(1320)]} = 0.54(2)$$

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Preliminary total cross section for $\Xi^{*-}(1530) \rightarrow \Xi\pi$

