Strange Hadron Spectroscopy with the KLong Facility at Jefferson Lab

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Strange Quarks and Hadron Spectroscopy



- Rich spectrum of *uds* baryons expected
- Study of properties with # of strange-quarks gives insight into baryon interactions, d.o.f.
- Important input to high-density/temperature hadron physics
- Many more states expected than observed!

	PDG 2004	PDG 2020	LQCD
N*	15	21	62
Δ	10	12	38
٨	14	14	71
Σ	10	9	66
Ξ	6	6	73
Ω	2	2	36

[PDG 3* & 4* states]



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Photoproduction



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- Kaon beams allow for high-statistics production of strange quark hadrons
- K_L beam provides unique data for spectroscopy

KLF: Hall D @ Jefferson Lab

- The K_L beam Facility is located in Hall D at Jefferson Lab
 - Approved for 200 days of running [proposal: arXiv:2008.08215]
 - Tertiary beam:
 electrons → photons → K_L
 - Uses GlueX large acceptance solenoidal spectrometer







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- Compact Photon Source (CPS) provides intense, untagged y beam
- Beryllium K_L production target yields ~10⁴ K_L / second







K_L Beam Properties



- Flux of ~ 10^4 K_L/s with E $\approx 1-9$ GeV
 - ~10³ times previous SLAC K_L beam measurements
- Beam momentum (or c.m.e. W) measured through TOF or exclusive final state reconstruction

Example: Σ* **Production**

- Focus on 2-body final states
 - Proton target: only Σ^*
 - $K_L p \to K_S p$
 - $K_L p \rightarrow \pi^+ \Lambda$
 - $K_L p \rightarrow K^+ \Xi^0$
 - $K_L p \to \pi^0 \Sigma^+$
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- Exclusive final states reconstructed well in GlueX spectrometer
- KLF will provide precision cross section measurements



KLF: Partial Wave Analysis

- To identify resonance contributions, we must perform a coupledchanneled PWA to extract spin-parity and pole positions
- Inputs: $d\sigma/d\Omega$, hyperon self-polarization from decay



KLF: Σ* **Expectations**

- Psuedodata for $K_L p \to K^+ \Xi^0$ with 2 Σ^* states
 - $\Sigma * (5^{-}/2)$: $M = 1.94 \text{ GeV}, \Gamma = 0.35 \text{ GeV}$
 - $\Sigma * (7^+/2)$: $M = 1.94 \text{ GeV}, \Gamma = 0.4 \text{ GeV}$
- Projected uncertainties for $d\sigma/d\Omega$ and P [100 days on proton target]



KLF: Σ* Expectations



Isospin Amplitudes in $\pi\Lambda$ / $\pi\Sigma$

- K_L production of πΛ / πΣ has different isospin amplitudes than with K⁻
 - Complementary measurement provides key data!
- Example BnGn prediction with and without 3 new Σ* states

$$|A(K^{-}p)|^{2} = \frac{1}{2}(|A_{1}|^{2} + |A_{0}|^{2} + 2Re(A_{1}A_{0}^{*}))$$
$$|A(K^{0}n)|^{2} = \frac{1}{2}(|A_{1}|^{2} + |A_{0}|^{2} - 2Re(A_{1}A_{0}^{*}))$$

 $|A(K^{0}p)|^{2} = |A_{1}|^{2}$



Example: Ξ^* **Production**

- Most of our knowledge of Ξ spectrum comes from K^- beam experiments in the 60s–80s, with little new until recently
- KLF can search for many decay channels:

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$$\Xi^* \to \Lambda K$$
 • $\Xi^* \to \Xi \omega$

• $\Xi^* \to \Xi \pi$









KLF Projections: $K_L n \to K^+ \Xi^{*-}, \ \Xi^{-*} \to \Lambda K^-$



Strange meson spectroscopy

- Again, most knowledge of kaon spectrum comes from older kaon beam experiments
 - More recent insight from e.g. PWA of decays from charm quark hadrons
- High-statistics KLF data gives additional insight
 - Unique access to high mass/spin states
 - Study of scalar $K\pi$ system



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 $K_L p \to K^{\pm} \pi^{\mp} p$

Example: $K\pi$ S-wave

- Study $K\pi$ scattering in several different final states to extract S-wave isospin components
 - Additional input to dispersive analyses of $\kappa/K^*(700)$ properties, especially at low mass/*t*
 - Challenges: requires K_L detection and detailed reaction models
 - $K_L p \to K_L \pi^0 p$ $K_L p \to K^+ \pi^0 n$
 - $K_L p \to K^{\pm} \pi^{\mp} p$ $K_L p \to K^- \pi^0 \Delta^{++}$
 - $K_L p \to K_{(L,S)} \pi^+ n$ $K_L p \to K_{(L,S)} \pi^- \Delta^{++}$





Summary

- The K_L beam facility in Hall D at JLab has been approved to run for 200 days and will provide a set of unique, high-statistics data
- Cross sections and polarization measurements will allow detailed study of the hyperon spectrum
- Many other possible topics:
 - Neutron-induced reactions
 - Hyperon decays
 - Exotic hadrons
- Technical design of hardware components and simulation studies on-going
- Approved Hall D photon beam program through ~2025

New Collaborators welcome! More information: https://wiki.jlab.org/klproject



Σ(1920) 5/2 σ [mb] 0.06 0.04 0.02 1800 1900 2000 2100 W [MeV] $\Xi - 391$ Ξ* sensitivity K V E*(2030) 10^{-1} E*(1820) 50 200 100 150 $\frac{5^{+}}{2}$ $\frac{1^{-}}{2}$ $\frac{3^{-}}{2}$ $\frac{5^{-}}{2}$ $\frac{7^{-}}{2}$ $\frac{3^{+}}{2}$ $\frac{7^{+}}{2}$ length of experiment [days]

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