

Hadron Spectroscopy at GlueX and the Search for Gluonic Excitations

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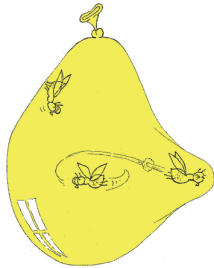
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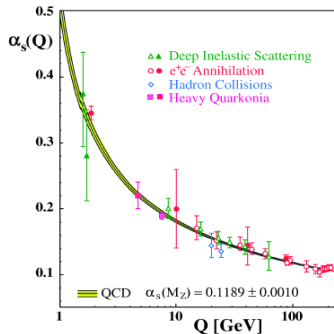
Strong-Coupling Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD)

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = \sum_q \bar{q} (i\gamma_\mu D^\mu - m_q) q - \frac{1}{4} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}$$

QCD = Theory of the strong nuclear force
Strong processes at larger distances and at small (soft) momentum transfers belong to the realm of non-perturbative QCD.



Confinement & Strong QCD
“World of Hadrons”

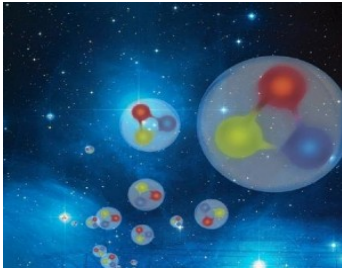


“pQCD”



Asymptotic Freedom

Non-Perturbative QCD



How does QCD give rise to excited hadrons?

- 1 What is the origin of confinement?
- 2 How are confinement and chiral symmetry breaking connected?
- 3 What role do gluonic excitations play in the spectroscopy of light mesons, and can they help explain quark confinement?

Baryons: What are the fundamental degrees of freedom inside a nucleon? Constituent quarks? How do the degrees change with varying quark masses?

Mesons: What are the properties of the predicted states beyond simple quark-antiquark systems (hybrid mesons, glueballs, tetraquarks, ...)?

→ **Gluonic Excitations provide a measurement of the excited QCD potential.**

Hybrid baryons are also possible ...

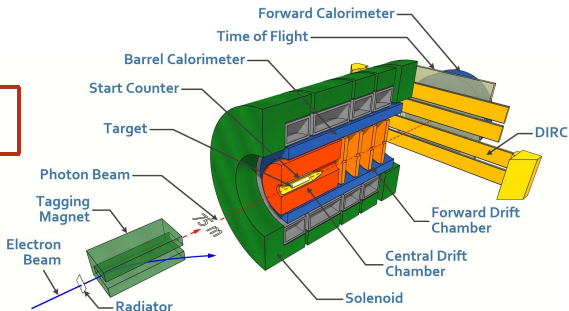
Hadron Spectroscopy

- $\pi + \text{Nucleus}$

- γp *Photoproduction*

- $e^+ e^-$

- $\bar{p} p$



The GlueX Collaboration

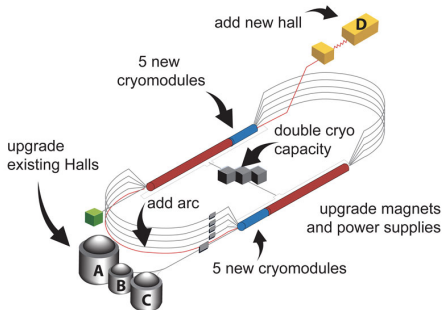
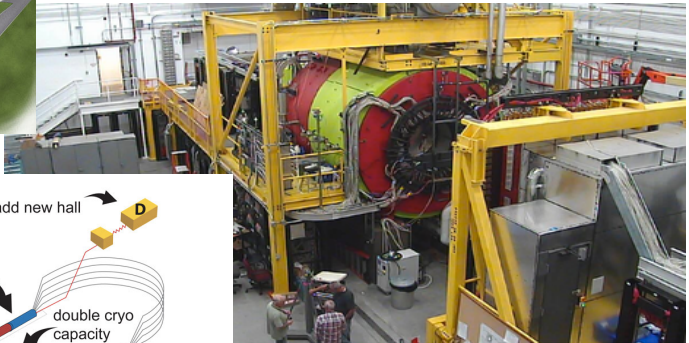
- ~ 135 members, 29 institutions
(Armenia, Canada, Chile, China, Germany, Greece, Russia, UK, USA)
- GlueX phase-I complete (120 PAC days)
- First physics published in 2017



May 2014



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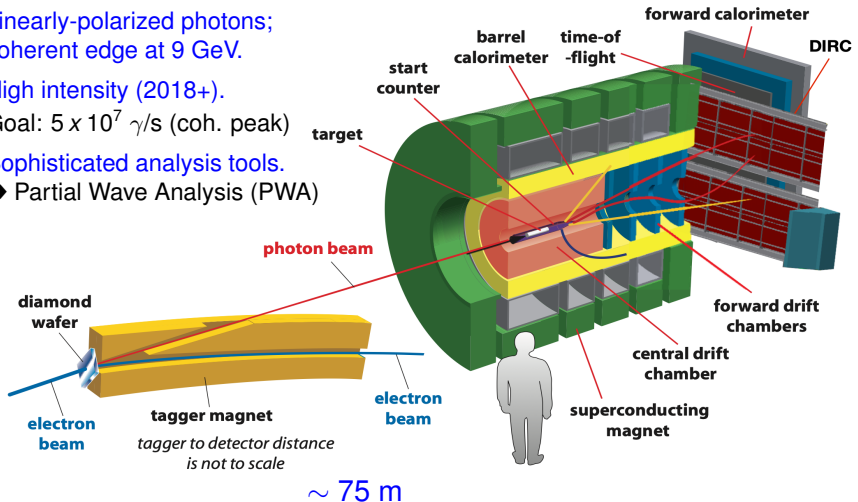


Jefferson Lab Upgrade to 12 GeV

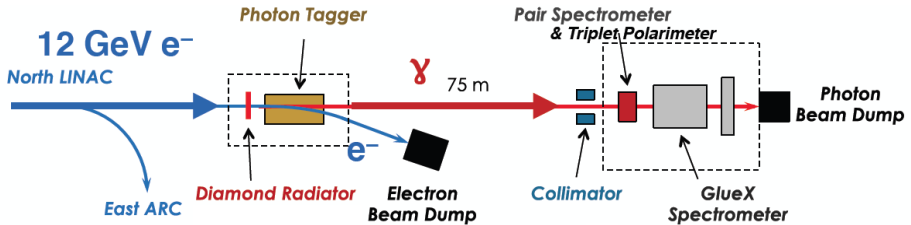
- 10.1 GeV achieved, Fall 2014
- GlueX commissioning in 2015

Study of light-flavor (hybrid) mesons and baryons:

- Linearly-polarized photons; coherent edge at 9 GeV.
- High intensity (2018+).
Goal: $5 \times 10^7 \gamma/\text{s}$ (coh. peak)
- Sophisticated analysis tools.
→ Partial Wave Analysis (PWA)

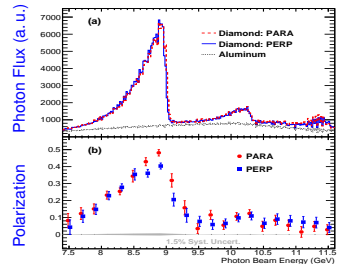


The GlueX Experiment: Photon Beamline



Polarized photon beam produced via coherent bremsstrahlung off thin diamond radiator:

- Tagging system with $\Delta E < 25$ MeV.
- Linear photon polarization of $P_\gamma \approx 40\%$ in the coherent peak.
- Design intensity of $10^8 \gamma/\text{s}$ in peak.



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Quark-Model Classification: Ordinary & Exotic Mesons

Quantum Numbers $J^{PC} \equiv 2S+1 L_J$

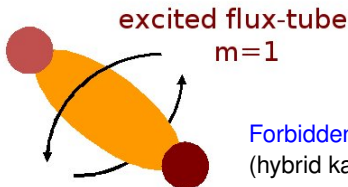
- **Parity:** $P = (-1)^{L+1}$
- **Charge Conjugation:** $C = (-1)^{L+S}$
(defined for neutral mesons)
- **G parity:** $G = C(-1)^I$

$L = 0, S = 0 :$

e.g. π, η ($J^{PC} = 0^{-+}$)

$L = 0, S = 1 :$

e.g. ρ, ω, ϕ ($J^{PC} = 1^{--}$)



12 GeV CEBAF upgrade has high priority

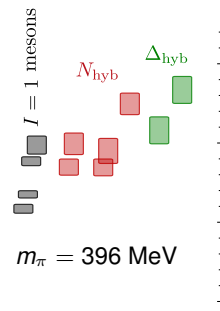
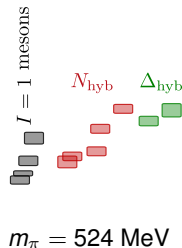
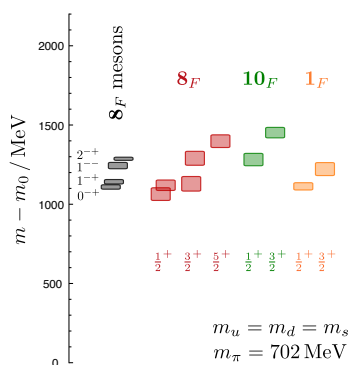
(DOE Office of Science, Long Range Plan)

“[key area] is experimental verification of the powerful force fields (*flux tubes*) believed to be responsible for quark confinement.”

Forbidden States (Exotics): $J^{PC} = 0^{+-}, 0^{--}, 1^{-+}, 2^{+-}, \dots$
(hybrid kaons do not have exotic QNs)

Gluonic Excitations on the Lattice

J. J. Dudek and R. G. Edwards, Phys. Rev. D **85**, 054016 (2012)

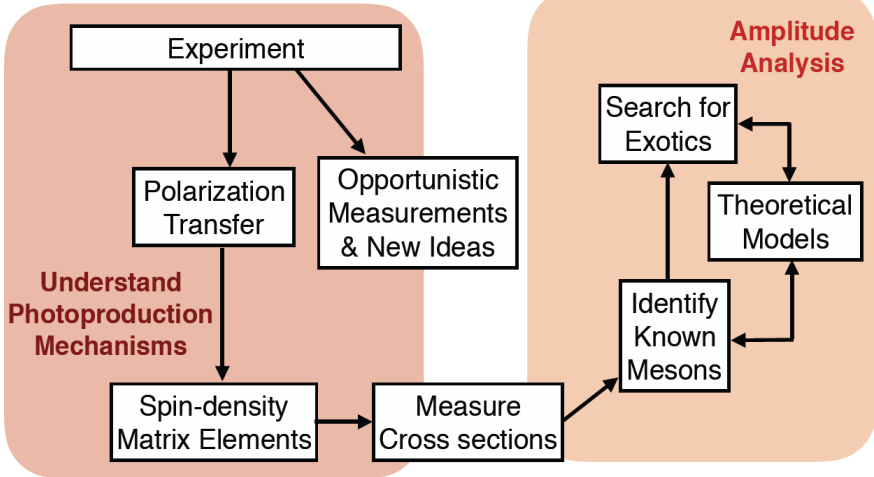


The mass scale is $m - m_\rho$ for mesons and $m - m_N$ for baryons.

Common scale of ~ 1.3 GeV for gluonic excitation.

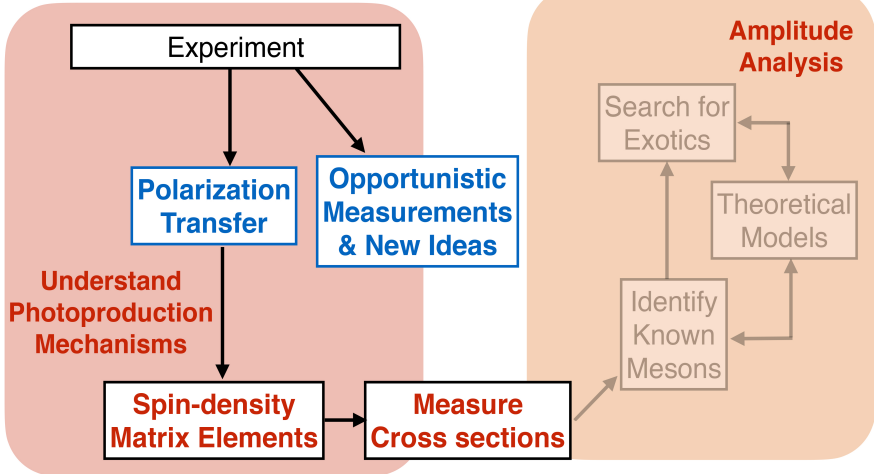
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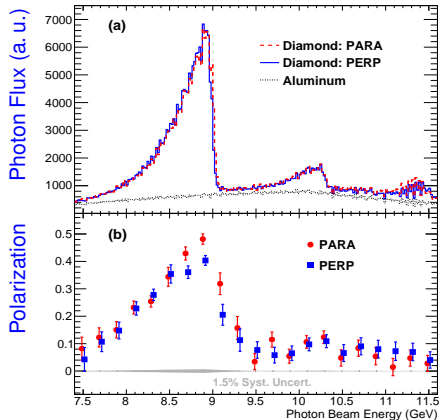


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First GlueX “Physics:” Initial Analyses



← H. Al Ghouli *et al.*, PRC **95**, 042201 (2017)

Detector Understanding:

$$\gamma p \rightarrow p \pi^0$$

$$\gamma p \rightarrow p \eta \rightarrow \text{Beam Asymmetries}$$

$$\gamma p \rightarrow p \eta'$$

$$\gamma p \rightarrow K^+ \Sigma^0$$

$$\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^- \Delta^{++}$$

$$\gamma p \rightarrow p \rho$$

$$\gamma p \rightarrow p \omega$$

$$\gamma p \rightarrow p \phi$$



cross sections

SDMEs

Initial Exotic
Hybrid Searches

$$\gamma p \rightarrow \eta \pi (p, \Delta^{++})$$

$$\gamma p \rightarrow \eta' \pi (p, \Delta^{++})$$

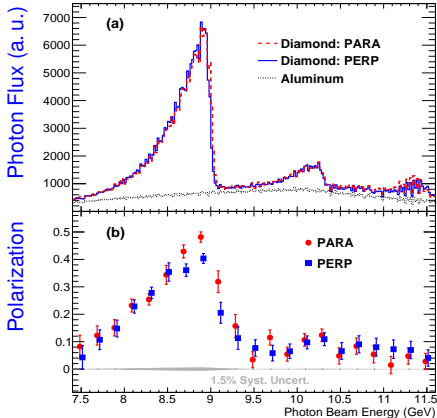
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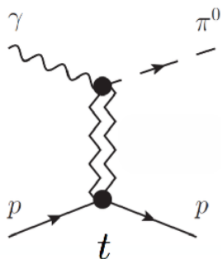
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Strange Baryons: $\gamma p \rightarrow K^+ \Lambda, K \Sigma, K K \Xi$

Measurement of Beam Asymmetries: $\gamma p \rightarrow p \pi^0$

Beam Asymmetry, Σ , yields information on production mechanism



Exchange of J^{PC}

$1^{--} : \omega, \rho$

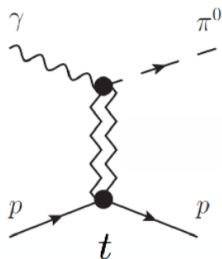
$1^{+-} : b, h$

$$\Sigma = \frac{|\omega + \rho| - |h + b|}{|\omega + \rho| + |h + b|}$$

V. Mathieu *et al.*, Phys. Rev. D **92**, no. 7, 074004 (2015)

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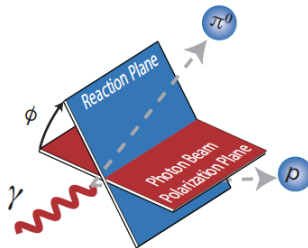
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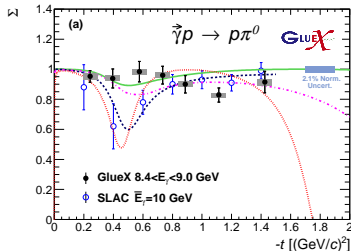
Experimentally:

$$\frac{Y_{\perp} - F_R Y_{\parallel}}{Y_{\perp} + F_R Y_{\parallel}} = P_{\gamma} \Sigma \cos 2\phi_p$$



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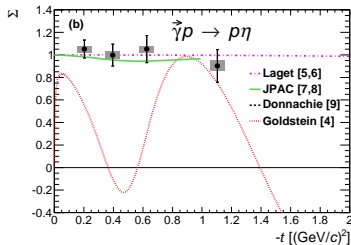
Measurement of Beam Asymmetries: $\gamma p \rightarrow p \pi^0 / \eta$



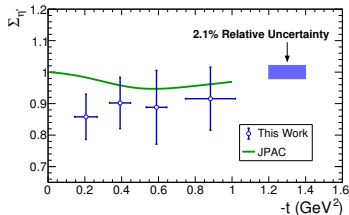
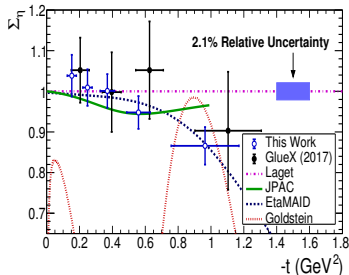
H. Al Ghouli *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C **95**, no. 4, 042201 (2017)

Significantly improved data quality

- First measurement of the η beam asymmetry for $8.4 < E_\gamma < 9.0$ GeV.
- Beam asymmetries close to unity: $\Sigma \approx 1$
 → Dominance of vector-meson exchange
 No dip around $-t = 0.5 \text{ GeV}^2$ for π^0
- Comparison with Regge calculations contributes to understanding of production mechanisms in photoproduction.
 → Step toward search for exotic mesons.



Measurement of Beam Asymmetries: $\gamma p \rightarrow p \eta/\eta'$



S. Adhikari *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C **100**, no.5, 052201 (2019)

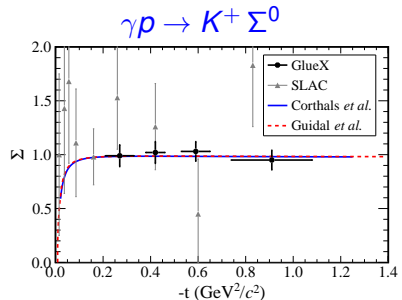
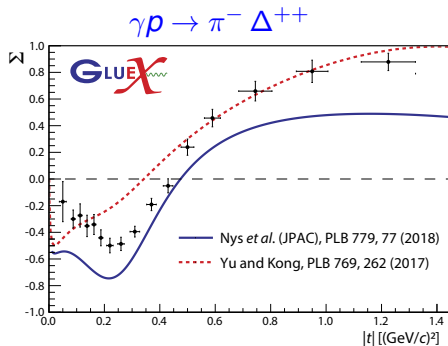
Significantly improved data quality

- First measurement of the $(\eta)/\eta'$ beam asymmetries for $8.2 < E_\gamma < 8.8$ GeV.
- Beam asymmetry close to unity: $\Sigma_\eta \approx 1$
 → Dominance of vector-meson exchange
 No indication for 2^{--} exchange
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Measurement of Beam Asymmetries

S. Adhikari *et al.*, [arXiv:2009.07326 [nucl-ex]]

- Charge exchange process
- Dominated by π exchange at low $|t|$

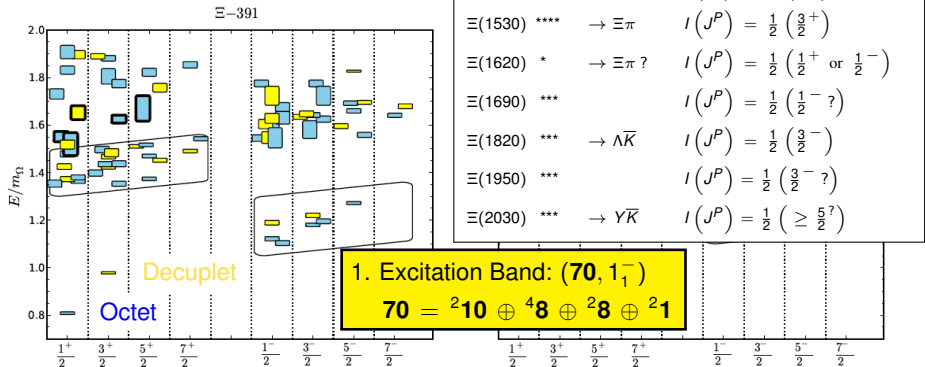


Phys. Rev. C **101**, no.6, 065206 (2020)

- Consistent with unity
 → Dominant natural parity exchange

The Ξ^* Resonance Spectrum from Lattice QCD

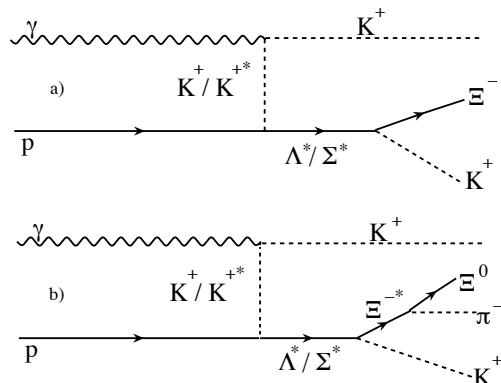
R. Edwards *et al.*, PRD **87**, 054506 (2013)



Exhibits broad features expected of $SU(6) \otimes O(3)$ symmetry

→ Counting of states of each flavor and spin consistent with QM for the lowest negative- and positive-parity bands.

Possible Production Mechanisms



$K^+(\Xi^- K^+), K^+(\Xi^0 K^0), K^0(\Xi^0 K^+)$

→ Cross sections, beam asymmetries
(similar to $p\pi\pi$ & pKK^*)

At other facilities (for comparison):

$K^- p \rightarrow K^+ \Xi^{*-}$

J-PARC

$K_L p \rightarrow K^+ \Xi^{*0}$

Hall D

$pp \rightarrow \Xi^* X$

LHCb

$\bar{p}p \rightarrow \Xi^* \Xi$

PANDA

$e^+ e^- \rightarrow \Xi^* X$

Belle II, BES III

* W. Roberts *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C **71**, 055201 (2005)

CLAS g11a: Excited States in $\gamma p \rightarrow K^+ K^+ \pi^- (X)$

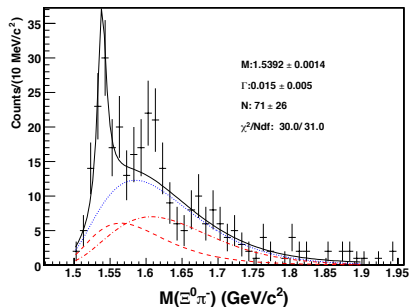
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Phys. Rev. C **76**, 025208 (2007)

Need high-statistics, high-energy data from an experiment designed to see Ξ states:

- 3- or 4-track trigger
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- Improved detectors

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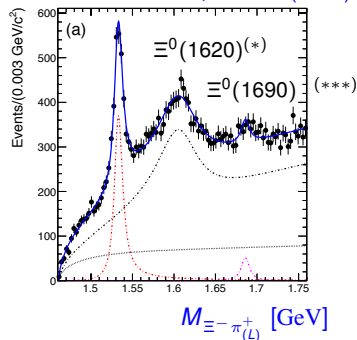
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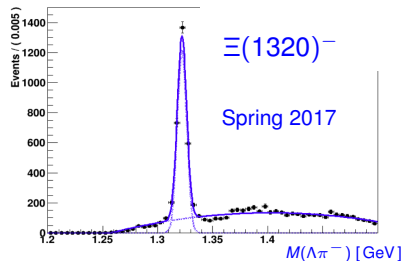
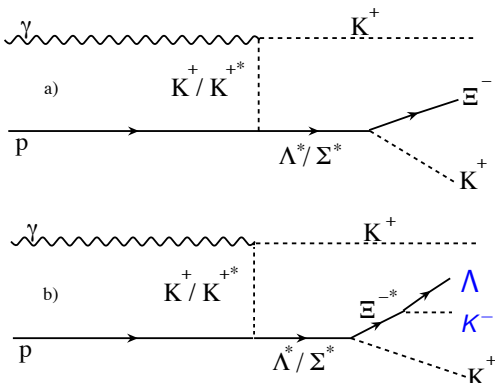
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Belle: PRL **122**, 072501 (2019)



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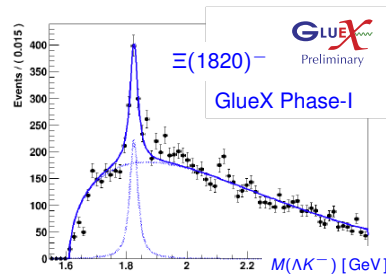
Study and Measurement of

- Cross sections
- Beam asymmetry
- $\Xi^- - \Xi^0$ mass splitting

Possible Production Mechanisms

First observation of excited Ξ^* state
 in photoproduction with

- $\approx 700 \Xi(1820)^-$ signal events
- Peak significance $> 10\sigma$



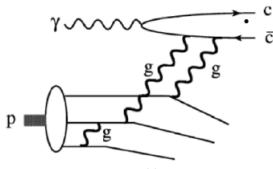
$$\gamma p \rightarrow K^+ (K^+ \Xi^{*-}) \rightarrow K^+ (p \pi^- K^-) K^+$$

Ashley Ernst, Dissertation (2020), Florida State University

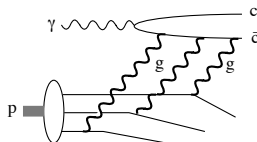
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Photoproduction of J/ψ (near threshold)
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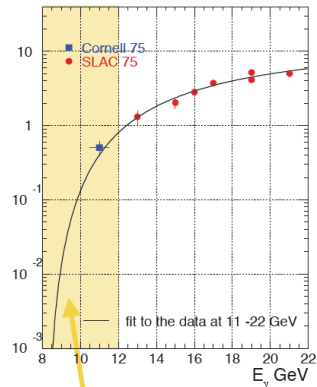
- Probes gluon distribution in proton
(D. Kharzeev *et al.*, Nucl. Phys. A **661**, 568 (1999))
- Sensitive to multi-quark correlations
(S. Brodsky *et al.*, Phys. Lett. B **498**, 23 (2001))



leading twist



higher twist

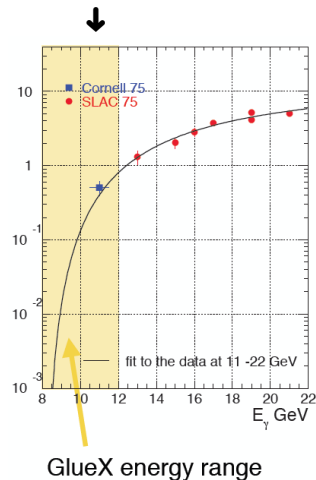
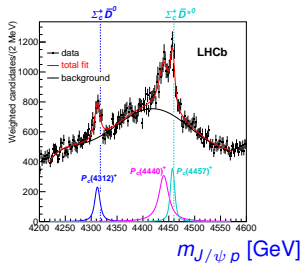
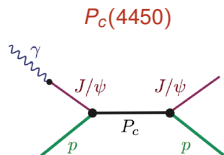


GlueX energy range

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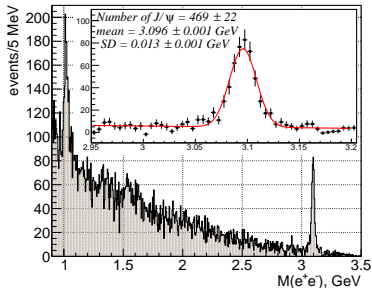
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- Intriguing possibility of five-quark interaction



R. Aaij *et al.*, PRL **122**, 222001 (2019)

Observation of J/ψ at GlueX

A. Ali *et al.* [GlueX], Phys. Rev. Lett. **123**, no.7, 072001 (2019)

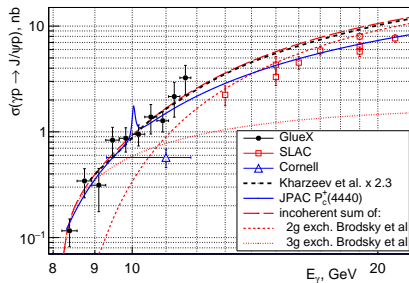
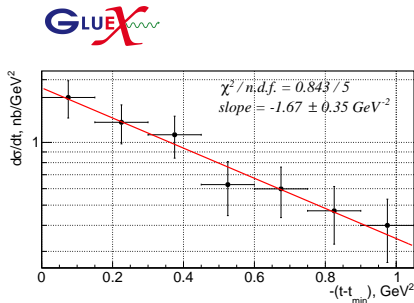


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- Measurement of t slope (at 10.7 GeV avg. E_γ): $(-1.67 \pm 0.39) \text{ GeV}^{-2}$
- Limits on pentaquark production

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Broad and rich physics program in Hall D using the GlueX detector:

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Summary

Early GlueX data show rich prospects for hadron spectroscopy:

- High-luminosity running (+ BaBar DIRC detectors) will extend the program to strange-quark states.



First observation of
Charmonium at JLab!!



Outlook

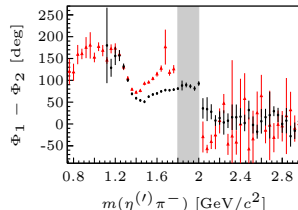
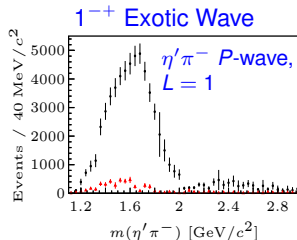
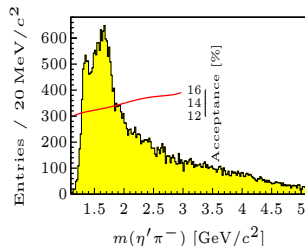
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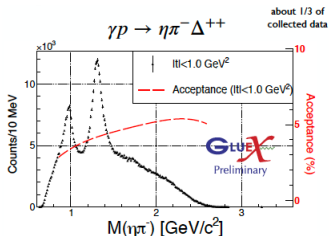
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Analysis of $\gamma p \rightarrow \eta^{(\prime)} \pi^- (p)$ priority for GlueX

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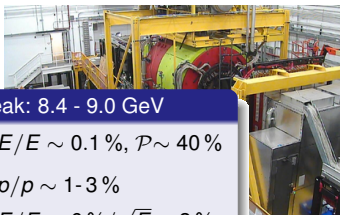
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Backup Slides

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48 4-m long modules



2.0 T superconducting solenoid

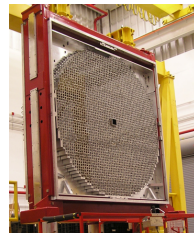


Coh. Peak: 8.4 - 9.0 GeV

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$$h^\pm \quad \sigma p/p \sim 1-3\%$$

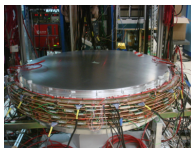
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FCAL: 2800 lead glass blocks

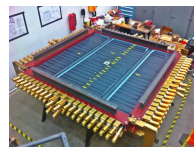


CDC: 28-layer
straw-tube chamber



FDC: four six-plane
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Goniometer:
20 μm diamond



TOF: two planes of
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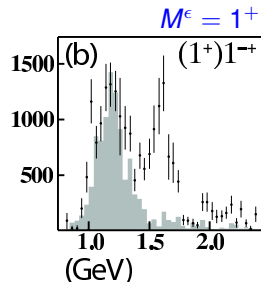
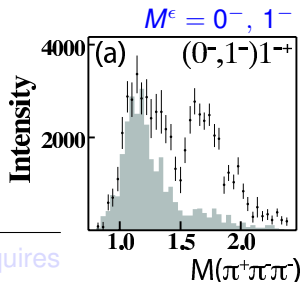
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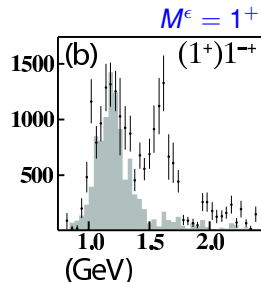
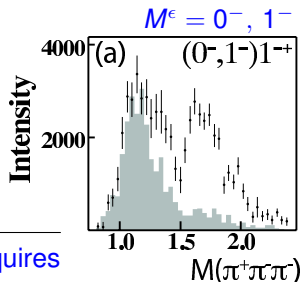
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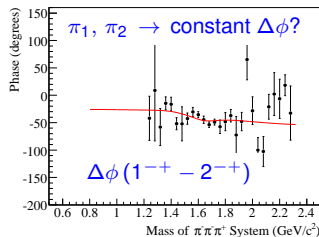
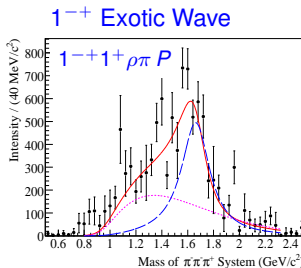
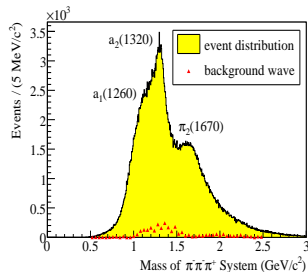
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COMPASS Experiment (1): $\pi^- Pb \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^- \pi^+ (Pb)$

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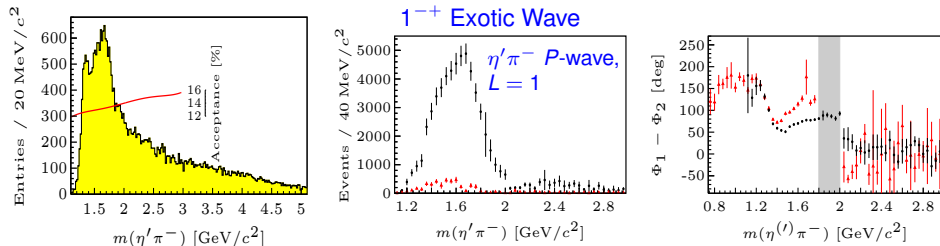
Based on $\sim 420,000$ events using a 180 GeV π beam:

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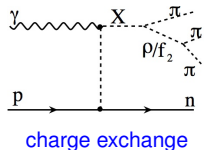
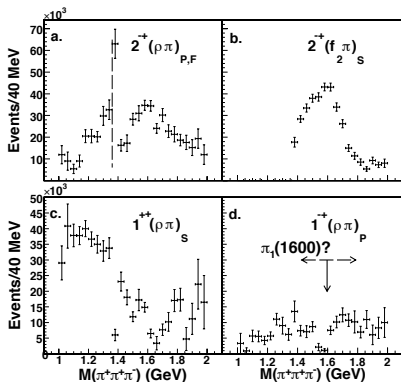
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Meson Spectroscopy in Photoproduction: CLAS

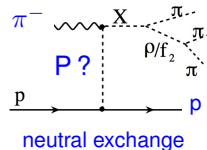
Results on light mesons from CLAS at Jefferson Lab

Search for the photo-excitation of exotic mesons in the $\pi^+\pi^+\pi^-$ system:

(M. Nozar *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **102**, 102002 (2009))



CLAS



E852

CLAS does not observe a resonant structure in the $1^{-+} (\rho \pi)_P$ partial wave.