# Baryon spectroscopy with Hyp-TPC at J-PARC

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#### Introduction

- J-PARC: multi-purpose facility with high-intensity proton beam & various 2ndary beams ( $\pi$ , K, n,  $\mu$ ...)
- Hyp-TPC: multi-purpose detector for hadron spectroscopy – compact but large acceptance



#### Contents

- I. Hyperon Spectrometer & HypTPC
- II. Experiments using HypTPC
  - E42 (H dibaryon)
  - E45 (N<sup>\*</sup>/Y<sup>\*</sup> spectroscopy)
  - E72 (Search for new narrow  $\Lambda^*$  resonance)

# Part I. Hyperon Spectrometer & HypTPC



#### The Superconducting magnet

- Helmholz type, design maximum field : 1.5 T
- Conduction cooling with 2 GM cryocoolers
- Coil diameter : 1.0m
- Field uniformity : Br/By<1% in the TPC volume to achieve the good momentum resolution





## HypTPC



- High rate capability
  - (100µm+50µm+50µm)
  - Gating grid
- Target inside the drift volume through the target holder
  - Large acceptance
- Drift field parallel to B-
  - Good position resolution

#### More on HypTPC

OOctagonal prism field cage O5768 readout pads

- Inner(10 rows): 2.1-2.7 × 9 mm<sup>2</sup>
- Outer(22 rows): 2.3-2.4 × 12.5 mm<sup>2</sup>

O Gating grid: φ50 μm, 1mm space

O Gas: P-10 (v<sub>max</sub> ~ 5.3 cm /s) O Gain ~ 10<sup>4</sup>

O Position resolution < 300  $\mu$ m

O Δp/p = 1-3% for  $\pi$  and p







#### **TPC Hodoscope**



- Used for trigger/TOF
- 32 segments of plastic scintillator array surrounding HypTPC.
- Plastic scintillator of 80cm x 7cm x 1cm
- MPPCs on both ends
  - PMTs not used due to the strong magnetic field.

# Part II. Experiments using HypTPC

# J-PARC E42 experiment ~Search for H dibaryon~

#### H dibaryon

Flavor-singlet (00) state (strangeness -2, isospin 0, or  ${}^{1}S_{0}$  state in  $\Lambda \Lambda - \Xi N - \Sigma \Sigma$  system)

in s-state

Color-magnetic force is not repulsive, but attractive S S d 6 quark state may exist  $\rightarrow$  H dibaryon but not found so far A resonant state just above  $\Lambda\Lambda$  threshold? All 6 quarks

⇒ Still an open and important question



#### Lattice QCD vs ALICE data



Valentina Mantovani Sarti (TUM Physics Department - E62)

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#### Talk by Valentina Mantovani Sarti (TUM) at MESON2018 (June 8, 2018)

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#### J-PARC E42 experiment

H-dibaryon search by using (K<sup>-</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>) reaction with diamond target.



#### Run in 2021



- Data taking is finished
- Analysis ongoing

#### **Event display**



HypTPC worked very well.

#### Analysis status of HypTPC

#### We are proceeding with careful analysis step by step, starting with basic calibration to evaluate efficiency and resolution.

#### **Baseline correction of waveform**



Even small dE MIPs, which were difficult to see due to noise in the online analysis, can be analyzed.



## J-PARC E45 experiment

# ~Baryon spectroscopy by using $p(\pi, 2\pi)$ reaction~

#### Missing resonances

- A lot of states are predicted by QM, but not observed
- Measured by using mainly  $\pi N \rightarrow \pi N$ ,  $\gamma N \rightarrow \pi N$  reactions



#### Importance of $\pi\pi N$ (Width of *N*\* resonances)

Over half of the decay branchig fraction goes into  $2\pi$  channel.



#### E45 setup

Measure  $(\pi, 2\pi)$  in large acceptance TPC in dipole magnetic field  $\pi^{p} \rightarrow \pi^{+} \pi^{n}, \pi^{0} \pi^{p}$  2 charged particles + 1 neutral particle  $\pi^{+} p \rightarrow \pi^{0} \pi^{+} p, \pi^{+} \pi^{+} n$   $\rightarrow$  missing mass technique

 $\pi N \rightarrow KY \text{ (2-body reaction)}$   $\pi^{*} p \rightarrow K^{0} \Lambda,$  $\pi^{*} p \rightarrow K^{+} \Sigma^{*} \text{ (I=3/2, } \Delta^{*})$ 

 $\pi^{+-}$  beam on liquid-H target (p= 0.73 – 2.0 GeV/c W=1.5-2.15 GeV)

x100 more statistics than ever

Run expected in 2025-2026



# J-PARC E72 experiment

# ~Search for new $\Lambda^*$ by using $K^-p \rightarrow \Lambda \eta$ reaction~

## A new $\Lambda$ resonance around 1670 MeV?

- 2 independent theory groups claim there is a new narrow  $\Lambda^*$  resonance around 1670 MeV with J=3/2
  - Kamano et al. [PRC90.065204, PRC92.025205]  $J^{P}=3/2^{+}$  (P<sub>03</sub>), M=1671+2-8 MeV, Γ=10+22-4 MeV
  - Liu & Xie [PRC85.038201, PRC86.055202]  $J^{P}=3/2^{-}$  (D<sub>03</sub>), M=1668.5±0.5 MeV,  $\Gamma=1.5\pm0.5$  MeV
- The reason is the same
  - From  $K^-p \rightarrow \Lambda \eta$  measurement near the threshold by Crystal Ball collaboration at BNL [PRC64.055205]
  - Model independent

#### Differential cross sections (1)



#### Differential cross sections (2)



- Flat near the threshold
   Expected for J=1/2 (S-wave)
- Concave-up around p<sub>K</sub>=734 MeV/c (Vs=1669 MeV)
- Flat again for p<sub>K</sub> > 750 MeV/c (vs=1677 MeV)
- Concave shape requires J=3/2 amplitude
   reason for a narrow resonance; model independent

#### What can it be?

• The experimental data suggest the existence of a new  $\Lambda^*$  resonance with spin 3/2 (P<sub>03</sub> or D<sub>03</sub>),  $\Lambda$ (1665):

Q: What is the nature of  $\Lambda(1665)$ , if it really exists?

- A: We have few ideas at the moment, aside from that it must be exotic, and thus very interesting.
- It is near the  $\Lambda\eta$  threshold, but threshold cusp is unlikely. – Visible cusp appears only in S wave
- A molecular state in P or D? Then, where is the S state?
  - Cf. X(3872) &  $\Lambda(1405)$  are in S wave.

#### $\rightarrow$ It may be a new type of exotic state!

- Mixture of a molecular state and a 3-quark state???
- $udss\bar{s}$  pentaquark???

#### J-PARC E72

- Repeat the Kp  $\rightarrow \Lambda \eta$  experiment again with a large acceptance detector, i.e., TPC (HypTPC)
  - Confirm angular distribution & the new resonance
  - Determine parity by  $\Lambda$  polarization measurement
- Principle
  - K beam momentum: 720-770 MeV/c
  - Momentum resolution: 1 MeV/c or better  $\rightarrow$  Can identify narrow resonance of  $\Gamma$ =1.5 MeV
  - Detect  $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^{-}$ , identify  $\eta$  by missing mass
- Run expected in 2024

#### Summary

- We developed a powerful multi-purpose time-projection-chamber, HypTPC.
  - Internal target  $4\pi$  acceptance
  - High-rate capability, good momentum resolution
- Three experiments for baryons at J-PARC
  - E42: Search for H-dibaryon by using (K<sup>-</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>) reaction
    → Finished data taking. HypTPC worked well.
  - E45: Baryon spectroscopy by using  $p(\pi, 2\pi)$  reaction
  - E72: Search for new Λ\* resonance via  $p(K^{-}, \Lambda)\eta$
  - More are coming.

# Backup

#### **TOF** resolution

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• Achieved ~140 ps resolution with a real size bar.

Time resolution of several voltage conditions

Time Resolution [ps]



#### PID capability

- By dE/dx in TPC & TOF with the Hodoscope
  - $-\pi$ -p separation up to 0.9 GeV/c
  - K- $\pi$  separation up to 0.5 GeV/c



# Part I. Introduction of J-PARC



#### Nuclear & Hadron Physics in J-PARC



#### Experiments at a glance (not all)



#### Test experiment at HIMAC



#### **Test experiment at HIMAC (July 2018)**

#### **Test Results**

Good resolution obtained w/o magnetic field

> <Transverse Diffusion>  $\sigma_T(L) = \sqrt{\sigma_0^2 + D_T^2 L}$

 $\sigma_D^2 \ [mm^2]$ 

<Position Resolution>

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Expected to have 200-250  $\mu m$  resolution under the B field of 1 T





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#### High rate capability



## Dalitz plot: $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- \pi^+$ [PRL117.011801]



\* M(pK<sup>-</sup>)<sup>41</sup>

**1D** projection --  $M(pK^-)$ 

![](_page_40_Figure_2.jpeg)

#### What's this?

- The peak position is ~1663 MeV, near the  $\Lambda\eta$  threshold (1663.5 MeV)
- Width is ~10 MeV, significantly narrower than  $\Lambda,$   $\Sigma$  resonances in this region
  - $-\Lambda$ (1670): 25-50 MeV
  - $-\Sigma$ (1660): 40-200 MeV
  - $-\Sigma$ (1670): 40-80 MeV
  - Λ(1690): ~60 MeV
- No such narrow states are theoretically predicted in this region – exotic?