## **SIDDHARTA-2: Status report**

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# We commemorate our dear colleague and friend **Dr Johann Zmeskal** who passed away in July 2024 you'll be very much missed!



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## **Data Taking Summary**

#### **SIDDHARTA2:** kaonic deuterium measurement

- \* *Kaonic neon*: initial calibration and optimization of the setup, int. lumi ~  $125 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  (April 2023)
- ✤ Run-1: int. luminosity 196 pb<sup>-1</sup> (May July 2023)
- \* Kaonic helium-4: final calibration of the setup , int. lumi ~  $40 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  (July 2023)
- **\*** *Kaonic neon*: initial calibration of the setup, int. lumi ~  $36 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  (Sept 2023)
- Run-2: int. luminosity 344 pb<sup>-1</sup> (October December 2023)
- \* Kaonic hydrogen: final calibration of the setup , int. lumi ~ 26  $pb^{-1}$  (Dec 2023)
- \* *Kaonic hydrogen*: initial calibration of the setup, int. lumi ~ 70  $\text{pb}^{-1}$  (Jan 2023)
- Run-3: int. luminosity 435 pb<sup>-1</sup> (February April 2024)
- \* Kaonic hydrogen: final calibration of the setup , int. lumi ~  $150 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  (April 2023)
- Low density run: int. luminosity 200 pb<sup>-1</sup> (May July 2024) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   From last Scicom
   Post Kd calibration run (July 2024) 20 pb<sup>-1</sup> with solid target

Total integrated luminosity good for physics 815 pb<sup>-1</sup> (delivered 975 pb<sup>-1</sup>) + 200 pb<sup>-1</sup> low density run

## Summary of activities since last SciCom



## **SDD Calibration Runs Analysis**

- ~ **20 000 calibration spectra** acquired periodically during the kaonic deuterium runs
- Calibration target: Ti Ka (4.5 keV) Fe Ka (6.4 keV) Cu Ka (8.0 keV) -> matching the K-d ROI
- Check of the SDDs energy response during the whole data taking (linearity, energy resolution and stability)
- Kaonic deuterium requirement: energy calibration accuracy better than 10 eV



### **SDD Calibration Runs Analysis**

Sum of the calibration data to study the energy response of the whole SDD detectors system -> evaluation of the systematic uncertainty and calibration accuracy





The accuracy of the energy calibration is **better than 3 eV** exceeding the requirements for the measurement of kaonic deuterium

# Calibration Runs : Stability

- Run1 and Run2 stability analysis completed
- Run3 and low density run analysis ongoing: data analyzed for the first 2 months
- The SDDs detectors shown an excellent long-term stability: fluctuations within 1 eV





### **SDD Calibration Runs Analysis: summary**

- $\sim 20\ 000\ calibration\ spectra\ acquired\ during\ the\ 4\ kaonic\ deuterium\ runs$
- Run-1 and Run2 calibration data analysis completed
  ✓ Energy calibration accuracy ~ 3 eV @ 4 -10 keV range
  ✓ Energy resolution 170 eV @ 6.4 keV
  ✓ Long-term stability ~ 1 eV
- Run3 and low density run calibration data analysis ongoing

## **Kaonic Deuterium Run1: preliminary result (reminder)**



"The most important experiment to be carried out in low energy K-meson physics today is the definitive determination of the energy level shifts in the K-p and K-d atoms, because of their direct connection with the physics of  $\overline{K}N$  interaction and their complete independence from all other kinds of measurements which bear on this interaction". **R.H. Dalitz (1982)** 

**Purely electromagnetic** 2p1s





## **Kaonic Deuterium analysis status**

Kaonic deuterium energy spectrum (preliminary) from run1 – run2 and run3 – run 4 (low density run)



#### Next Step of the analysis:

- Refined calibration of Run3 and low density run data (ongoing): X-ray tube and post Kd calibration data
- Complete the run3 and low density run data selection Veto-1 to determine the origin of the signal(similar to run1 analysis)
- Fit of the energy spectrum to extract the energy shift and with

## Kaonic Deuterium analysis: next steps

#### Short-term goals:

- Finalize the data analysis (calibration and events selection of the entire data set)  $\sim$  6 month
  - Evaluation of the 1s level energy shift and width and implications for the low energy QCD with strangeness
- Submission of an article about Kd shift and width

#### **Medium-long term goals:**

- Evaluation of the **kaonic deuterium X-ray yield** (high and low density runs) -> article
- Evaluation of the kaonic deuterium scattering length (in collaboration with theoreticians) -> article
- Combined analysis of kaonic hydrogen and deuterium to determine the isospin dependent antikaon-nucleon scattering lengths (in collaboration with theoreticians) and implication for theory -> article(s)

### Kaonic Deuterium analysis: next steps

The combined analysis of kaonic deuterium and hydrogen will have implications in nuclear, particle and astrophysics, providing experimental inputs to solve the discrepancy between the theoretical prediction for K-n scattering amplitudes



K-p and K-n scattering amplitudes



## **Post K-d calibration run**

The final calibration was performed with two solid targets Boron and Fluorine (Teflon):

- To exploit the last days of data taking maximizing the number of stopped kaons
- Thanks to the high yield of KB and KF, it is possible to observe a signal with limited integrated luminosity
- Combined with the calibration performed with the X-ray tubes this data will be used to check the performance of detectors and veto systems at the end of the data taking and to investigate the performance of the apparatus in the view of the EXKALIBUR first module



# **Kaonic Boron**

- 2 mm thick boron sheet placed in front of the window of the vacuum chamber
- Integrated luminosity 20 pb<sup>-1</sup>
- Feasibility test for solid target experiment with SDDs
- Analysis ongoing -> article



## **Kaonic Fluorine**



Analysis ongoing -> 2 articles

## **Kaonic Neon: updates**

#### We are developing/upgrading a theoretical model

(MCDFGME code written by Prof. Indelicato and Prof. Desclaux [Desclaux 9 (1975) 31-45]), originally used for muonic and antiprotonic atoms, to calculate transition energies and yields in kaonic atoms, taking into account corrections such as relativistic corrections, first and second-order QED effects, recoil effects, and electron screening effects.



Table 1: Kaonic neon energy transitions and absolute yields at the density of  $3.60 \pm 0.18$  g/l.

Transition	Energy [eV]	Yield
K-Ne $(10 \rightarrow 8)$	$7191.21 \pm 4.91 \text{ (stat) } \pm 2.00 \text{ (syst) eV}$	$0.010 \pm 0.001 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.001 (\text{syst})$
K-Ne $(10 \rightarrow 7)$	$11428.30 \pm 8.37 \text{ (stat)} \pm 3.00 \text{ (syst) eV}$	$0.004 \pm 0.002 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.001 (\text{syst})$
K-Ne $(9 \rightarrow 8)$	$4206.35 \pm 3.75$ (stat) $\pm 2.20$ (syst) eV	$0.137 \pm 0.012 (stat) \pm 0.010 (syst)$
K-Ne $(8 \rightarrow 7)$	$6130.86 \pm 0.71 \text{ (stat) } \pm 1.50 \text{ (syst) eV}$	$0.228 \pm 0.004 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.011 (\text{syst})$
K-Ne $(7 \rightarrow 6)$	$9450.08 \pm 0.41$ (stat) $\pm 1.50$ (syst) eV	$0.277 \pm 0.002 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.014 (\text{syst})$
K-Ne $(6 \rightarrow 5)$	$15673.30 \pm 0.52$ (stat) $\pm 9.00$ (syst) eV	$0.308 \pm 0.003 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.015 (\text{syst})$



#### **Kaonic Lead Measurement at DAΦNE with HPGe**

First article about kaonic lead measurement at DA $\Phi$ NE published



K <sup>-</sup> -Pb transition	Peak position	Resolution (FWHM)	Number of events
	$(\mathrm{keV})$	$(\mathrm{keV})$	
$10 \rightarrow 9$	$208.92 \pm 0.17$	$3.68 \pm 0.42$	$584 \pm 30$
$9 \rightarrow 8$	$292.47\pm0.17$	$3.97 \pm 0.49$	$770 \pm 65$
$8 \rightarrow 7$	$427.07 \pm 0.24$	$4.37\pm0.54$	$457 \pm 45$

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#### Full Length Article

A feasibility study of the measurement of kaonic lead X-rays at DA $\Phi$ NE for the precise determination of the charged kaon mass

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ABSTRACT

#### ARTICLE INFO

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An HPGe detector equipped with a transistor reset preamplifier and readout with a CAEN DT5781 fast pulse digitizer was employed in the measurement of X-rays from kaonic lead at the DA $\Phi$ NE  $e^+e^-$  collider at the Laboratori Nazionali di Frascati of INFN. A thin scintillator in front of a lead target was used to select kaons impinging on it and to form the trigger for the HPGe detector. We present the results of the kaonic lead feasibility measurement, where we show that the resolution of the HPGe detector in regular beam conditions remains the same as that without the beam and that a satisfactory background reduction can be achieved. This measurement serves as a test bed for future dedicated kaonic X-rays measurements for the more precise determination of the charged kaon mass.



# **CdZnTe system: update**

#### First kaonic atoms' spectrum measured with CZT detectors







CdZnTe detectors are easy to be used in parallel with already existing experiments requiring very small space and not invasive electronics

# **EXtensive Kaonic Atoms research:** *from LIthium and Beryllium to Uranium*



#### **67**<sup>th</sup> Scientific Committee Recommendation:



The Scientific Committee considers that the first module of the **EXKALIBUR experiment is a very** interesting scientific proposal of great value and merit, although its final realization depends, of course, on the operational situation of DAΦNE. Our recommendation is that it may be worth studying whether there is a possibility to carry out the first part of the module (8 weeks of dedication on gaseous Ne target) after the PADME Run IV are completed and in compatibility with other construction activities.

Fundamental physics at the strangeness frontier at DAONE. Outline of a proposal for future measurements,

C. Curceanu et al., Front.in Phys. 11 (2023) 1240250

## **Future plans - EXKALIBUR**



EXtensive Kaonic Atoms research: from LIthium and Beryllium to URanium

- Feasibility with <u>minimal modifications/addings</u> of the already existent SIDDHARTA-2
  - New calibration system (0.2 eV accuracy)
  - New 1mm thick SDDs
  - New and improved CZT setup
  - Ready from September 2025

• Impact: i.e. the maximal scientific outcome

## FIRST MODULE

- 1.1 Kaon mass by Kaonic neon measurement
- Use the SIDDHARTA2 setup
- Minimal modification
- new calibration system
- 300 pb<sup>-1</sup> of integrated luminosity

#### 1.2 - Light kaonic atoms (LHKA)

- Use the SIDDHARTA2 setup
- solid target Li, Be, B
- Minimal modification of the target
- integration of 1mm SDD
- 200 pb<sup>-1</sup> of integrated luminosity

#### Intermediate kaonic atoms (IMKA)

In parallel we plan dedicated runs for kaonic atoms (*O*, *Al*, *S*) with different types of detectors:

#### **CdZnTe detectors**

- 200 -300 pb<sup>-1</sup> of integrated luminosity/target

1.1 - Kaon mass by Kaonic neon measurement
- Use the SIDDHARTA2 setup
- 300 pb<sup>-1</sup> of integrated luminosity





- The first measurement we plan doing is the kaonic neon high-n levels transition with precisions below 1 eV, to extract the charged kaon mass with a precision of about 5 keV.
- By using a gaseous target, we can resolve the ambiguity in the charged kaon mass de-termination, providing a new precise value through the measurement of kaonic neon high-n transitions.
   Moreover, the measurement also provides a precision test of QED in atomic systems with strangeness (BSQED).





#### 1.2 - Light kaonic atoms (LHKA)

- Use the SIDDHARTA2 setup
- solid target Li, Be, B
- Add 1 mm thick SDDs
- 200 pb<sup>-1</sup> of integrated luminosity

Lithium-6		Lit	hium-7	Beryllium-9		
Transition Energy (keV)		Transition Energy (keV)		Transition	Energy $(keV)$	
${f 3}  o {f 2}$	15.085	${f 3}  o {f 2}$	15.261	${f 3}  ightarrow {f 2}$	27.560	
${f 4}  o {f 2}$	20.365	${f 4}  o {f 2}$	20.603	<b>4</b> ightarrow <b>3</b>	9.646	
${f 5}  ightarrow {f 2}$	22.809	${f 5}  o {f 2}$	23.075	${f 5}  ightarrow {f 3}$	14.111	
$4 \rightarrow 3$	5.280	$4 \rightarrow 3$	5.341	$5 \rightarrow 4$	4.465	
5  ightarrow 3	7.724	5  ightarrow 3	7.814	$6 \rightarrow 4$	6.890	
$5 \rightarrow 4$	2.444	$5 \rightarrow 4$	2.472	$6 \rightarrow 5$	2.425	
$6 \rightarrow 4$	3.771	$6 \rightarrow 4$	3.815			



#### Solid targets system

- Construction of new support system
- conical shape to maximize the solid angle
- MC simulations ongoing
- material procurement done



Γ	Bo	ron-10	Boron-11			
Ι	Transition	Energy $(keV)$	Transition	Energy $(keV)$		
Τ	${f 3}  ightarrow {f 2}$	43.568	${f 3}  o {f 2}$	43.768		
	${f 4}  o {f 3}$	15.156	${f 4}  o {f 3}$	15.225		
	${f 5}  ightarrow {f 3}$	22.171	${f 5}  o {f 3}$	22.273		
	$5 \rightarrow 4$	7.015	$5 \rightarrow 4$	7.047		
	$6 \rightarrow 4$	10.826	$6 \rightarrow 4$	10.875		
	$6 \rightarrow 5$	3.811	$6 \rightarrow 5$	3.828		





### **1 mm thick Silicon Drift Detectors**

New SDD modules produced at FBK:

- 2 X 4 matrix, pixel dimensions: 7.9 mm X 7.9 mm
- Special features: new focusing electrode on the window to reduce charge sharing
- Very good Leakage Current Density @ 24°C:
- 1-mm-thick SDDs: ~ 0.5-2 nA/cm<sup>2</sup>

**New detection module design** developed for experiment upgrade.

PCB dimensions enlarged to host a wider SDD chip
 PCB material changed from ceramic to more
 standard material in order to move from a 2-layer
 structure to a 6-layer structure, to improve signal
 integrity and to reduce noise and cross-talk
 problems





## 1 mm thick Silicon Drift Detectors: Energy response

Spectroscopic measurements with a first prototype:

- irradiation with an <sup>55</sup>Fe X-ray source;
- detector temperature: -30° C;
- spectra acquired with SFERA chip;
- Best energy resolution of 140.5 eV FWHM @ 5.9 keV (Mn  $K_{\alpha}$ )





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#### Development of high-efficiency X-ray detectors based on 1 mm thick monolithic SDD arrays

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## Characterization of 1 mm thick Silicon Drift Detectors at BTF

Spectroscopic measurement with first module by LNF group

- Dedicated beam time in June and October 2024 at BTF
- ✤ Irradiation with e<sup>-</sup> beam and X-ray sources
- Characterization of the 1 mm SDDs time response as function of the temperature
- Characterization of the energy response: new energy range 50 keV
- Study of the energy response in a high background environment (ionizing particles and radiation)





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Cu 1cm

SDD 1mm

SDD 0.450mm

Beam

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#### **Characterization of 1 mm thick Silicon Drift Detectors**



#### Intermediate kaonic atoms (IMKA)

In parallel we plan dedicated runs for kaonic atoms (*O*, *Al*, *S*) with different types of detectors: CdZnTe detectors - 200 -300 pb-1 of integrated luminosity/target

#### Scientific goals

- □ The energy and width of the KAI(3->2) and KO(3->2) transitions;
- The energies (E) and widths (W) of the KO(4->3), KS(4->3) and KAI(4->3) with precisions better than the present ones;
- The first measurements ever of the absolute yields of the Δn=1,2 transitions towards n=2,3 levels in KO, n=3,4,5 in KS and KAI



We are developing an optimized CdZnTe based setup

- Larger active area: 32 detectors instead of 8
- Optimized geometry and shielding to reduce the background

#### MC simulation: estimated precision for 300 pb<sup>-1</sup>

 $K^{32}S(4\rightarrow 3)$  @ 160 keV :  $\delta E = 41 \text{ eV}$ ,  $\delta \Gamma = 81 \text{ eV}$  (91 eV and 181 in the S/B = 1/10 case) for 16 cm<sup>2</sup>

 $K^{32}S(4\rightarrow 3)$  @ 160 keV :  $\delta E = 19 \text{ eV}$ ,  $\delta \Gamma = 37 \text{ eV}$  (42 eV and 83 in the S/B = 1/10 case) for 2% FWHM

### **EXKALIBUR: first module - Timescale**

- New calibration system and 1mm thick SDDs financed by INFN Gr3
  - Construction of the new calibration system
  - Construction of 3 buses of 1mm thick SDDs (192 detectors)
  - Construction of the multi element solid target

#### Potentially ready from Sept. 2025

	Month					
Data taking runs:	1	2	3	4	5	
Kaonic Neon measurement						
Commissioning and calibration of the experimental apparatus with beam						
Data taking: kaonic neon (300 pb <sup>-1</sup> integrated luminosity)						-
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Light mass solid target measurements						
Installation of the solid target						
Commissioning with beam						
Kaonic atoms from solid target measurement (200 pb <sup>-1</sup> Integrated luminosity)						
Intermediate mass solid target measurements (CZT detectors)						
Commisisoning with beam						
Data taking: Kaonic Carbon/Oxygen and Sulfur (300 pb <sup>-1</sup> )						
Data taking: Kaonic Aluminum and C/O or S (200 pb <sup>-1</sup> )					32	

#### Publications since last SciCom – May 2024

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9. F. Clozza et al., "A New Measurement of kaonic helium L-lines with SIDDHARTA-2 at DAONE" Frascati Physics Series Vol. 76 10. F. Artibani et al., "New opportunities in kaonic atoms spectroscopy with novel CZT Detector" Frascati Physics Series Vol. 76







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This workshop will be dedicated to the memory of Professor Carlo Guaraldo, from INFN-LNF, Deputy Scientific Coordinator of the STRONG-2020 project, who passed away on 19th May 2024 in Roma.

> The Workshop will be held in person from 17 to 19 June 2024. In Frascati (Italy) In the context of the project STRONG-2020

#### (http://www.strong-2020.eu/).

The objective is to gather a broad Hadron Physics Community, including both young and experienced researchers.

The first day will be dedicated to selected contributions, STRONG-2020 offers an opportunity to cover local and travel expenses for young researchers.

During the second and third days, invited speakers will present their work and perspectives in various areas of Hadron Physics and related fields.

The Workshop will be followed by the STRONG-2020 Annual Meeting organized In Frascati on 20-21 June 2024 and open to a large audience. The Agenda will be Indella and also

KAMPAI - KAONIC, ANTIPROTONIC, MUONIC, PIONIC AND "ONIA" EXOTIC ATOMS: INTERCHANGING **KNOWLEDGE AND RECENT** RESULTS



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## Good news about SIDDHARTA folks:

- Francesco Clozza Ph.D. at University of Rome Tor Vergata
- Riccardo Gasbarrini bachelor degree student
- Francesco Sgaramella: best talk STRONG-2020

## Conclusions

- The SIDDHARTA-2 Kd data taking (Runs 1, 2, 3 and 4) has been successfully completed, integrating
   975/815 pb<sup>-1</sup> + 200/185 pb<sup>-1</sup> of data; Run 1 and 2: SDD detectors calibrated ; Runs 3 and 4 calibration ongoing;
- Full data analyses of Kd ongoing (to be completed within about 6 months); to be followed by extraction of antikaon-nucleon scattering lengths and theoretical interpretations (12 months);
- Kaonic atoms: boron and fluorine (calib runs) -> under analyses (scientific and technological impact) -> at least 3 articles;
- Data analyses for CZT setup run (KAI) –ongoing; KPb data acquired with HPGe: paper published;
- >10 articles were published/submitted since the last Sci Com, 4 are in preparation and > 10 talks in International Workshops and Conferences;
- For the first EXKALIBUR measurements module: realization of refined calibration system ongoing; successful tests of 1 mm SDDs at BTF; ready to start as soon as possible

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## **SIDDHARTA-2** Collaboration

#### Silicon Drift Detectors for Hadronic Atom Research by Timing Application



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# Intermediate mass kaonic atoms with CZT Detectors <u>Motivations:</u>

**Kaonic Oxygen is a key element to provide information on the nuclear-matter distribution**. The lowest measured transition in kaonic oxygen is the  $4\rightarrow 3$  one; however, when compared to other typical values of strong interaction induced shift and widths on the lower levels in various elements, the weaker measured ones suggest the possibility that the KO( $3\rightarrow 2$ ) transitions could be measured as well. This transition is expected around 113 keV.

In the KAl case the measured values of the shift and width on the lowest level suggest that, probably, transitions to an even lower level may be observed; the  $KAl(3\rightarrow 2)$  transitions could be then observed and measured at 300 keV

There exist three and two measurements of KS(4->3) and KAl(4->3), respectively, not compatible among themselves and with large errors on the widths.

For KS, the values of the shift and the width are compatible with those of a typical lowest level, so a new measurement of the KS( $4\rightarrow3$ ) transition, laying around 160 keV, would be crucial and strongly demanded by the theoretical community.

Most of the  $\Delta n=1,2$  transitions in KC, KAl, and KS have never been measured and will provide new experimental inputs both to the Kaon-Nucleon(s) interaction theoretical models and to the EM atomic cascade ones.

# Light Mass (low-Z) Kaonic Atoms

- The second module of measurement are light mass (Li, Be, B) kaonic atoms, to study in detail the strong interaction between kaon and few nucleons (many body).
- Now precise measurements for these kaonic atoms of the shifts, widths and yields will result in a **significative improvement on the knowledge of the interactions of kaons in matter**, with a great impact on the **low energy QCD and astrophysics** (equation of state for neutron stars).

Lit	hium-6	Lit	hium-7	Bery	/llium-9	Bo	ron-10	Bo	ron-11
Transition	Energy $(keV)$	Transition	Energy (keV)						
<b>3</b> ightarrow <b>2</b>	15.085	<b>3</b> ightarrow <b>2</b>	15.261	<b>3</b> ightarrow <b>2</b>	27.560	<b>4</b> ightarrow <b>3</b>	15.156	<b>4</b> ightarrow <b>3</b>	15.225
<b>4</b> ightarrow <b>2</b>	20.365	<b>4</b> ightarrow <b>2</b>	20.603	<b>4</b> ightarrow <b>3</b>	9.646	<b>5</b> ightarrow <b>3</b>	22.171	<b>5</b> ightarrow <b>3</b>	22.273
<b>5</b> ightarrow <b>2</b>	22.809	${f 5}  o {f 2}$	23.075	<b>5</b> ightarrow <b>3</b>	14.111	$5 \rightarrow 4$	7.015	$5 \rightarrow 4$	7.047
$4 \rightarrow 3$	5.280	$4 \rightarrow 3$	5.341	$5 \rightarrow 4$	4.465	$6 \rightarrow 4$	10.826	$6 \rightarrow 4$	10.875
$5 \rightarrow 3$	7.724	$5 \rightarrow 3$	7.814	$6 \rightarrow 4$	6.890	$6 \rightarrow 5$	3.811	$6 \rightarrow 5$	3.828
$5 \rightarrow 4$	2.444	$5 \rightarrow 4$	2.472	$6 \rightarrow 5$	2.425				
$6 \rightarrow 4$	3.771	$6 \rightarrow 4$	3.815						

## The charged kaon mass discrepancy

Severe consequences for nuclear and particle physics and all the processes in which charged kaons are involved

- The uncertainty on the charged kaon mass leads to an error of 50 keV ( $\sigma$ ) on the  $D^0$  mass
- Large uncertainty on the charmonium spectrum, in particular on precise values of charm-anticharm meson thresholds
- A particular case is that of D<sup>0</sup>D<sup>\*0</sup> which lies within the measured width of the best-known candidate for a hadron-hadron molecule, the X(3872), an improved K-mass measurement would lead to a better interpretation of the X(3872), and of its radius.

C. Amsler, "Impact of the charged kaon mass on the charmonium spectrum", workshop, Frascati, 19 April 2021

#### Impact on the K-N scattering lengths and sub eV measurement of K-nuclei interaction (kaonic atoms)

<u>A new kaonic helium measurement in gas by SIDDHARTINO at the DAFNE collider</u> <u>D. Sirghi</u>, <u>F. Sirghi</u>, <u>F. Sgaramella</u>, et al., J.Phys.G 49 (2022) 5, 055106 <u>Measurements of Strong-Interaction Effects in Kaonic-Helium Isotopes at Sub-eV Precision</u> <u>with X-Ray Microcalorimeters</u>, J-PARC E62 Collaboration, Phys.Rev.Lett. 128 (2022) 11, 112503

Implications for studies in Bound State QED (BSQED)

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### **Kaonic Neon: Cascade calculation - Radiative and Auger**



## **Cascade for Kaonic Neon: Connection with the Experiment**



Table 1: Kaonic neon energy transitions and absolute yields at the density of  $3.60 \pm 0.18$  g/l.

Transition	Energy [eV]	Yield
K-Ne $(10 \rightarrow 8)$	$7191.21 \pm 4.91 \text{ (stat)} \pm 2.00 \text{ (syst)} \text{ eV}$	$0.010 \pm 0.001 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.001 (\text{syst})$
K-Ne $(10 \rightarrow 7)$	$11428.30 \pm 8.37 \text{ (stat)} \pm 3.00 \text{ (syst)} \text{ eV}$	$0.004 \pm 0.002 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.001 (\text{syst})$
K-Ne $(9 \rightarrow 8)$	$4206.35 \pm 3.75$ (stat) $\pm 2.20$ (syst) eV	$0.137 \pm 0.012 (stat) \pm 0.010 (syst)$
K-Ne $(8 \rightarrow 7)$	$6130.86 \pm 0.71$ (stat) $\pm 1.50$ (syst) eV	$0.228 \pm 0.004 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.011 (\text{syst})$
K-Ne $(7 \rightarrow 6)$	$9450.08 \pm 0.41$ (stat) $\pm 1.50$ (syst) eV	$0.277 \pm 0.002 (stat) \pm 0.014 (syst)$
K-Ne $(6 \rightarrow 5)$	$15673.30 \pm 0.52$ (stat) $\pm 9.00$ (syst) eV	$0.308 \pm 0.003 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.015 (\text{syst})$

#### (Simone Manti)



## **DAΦNE('s uniqueness) – JPARC for gaseous target**

