Recent Spectroscopic Investigation of Λ-Hypernuclei by the (e,e'K⁺) Reaction at JLab Hall C

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Introduction

Physical Goals:

- To understand YN and YY interactions
- To explore and understand nuclear structure using Λ as a probe
 - Model the baryonic many body system
 - Study the role of Λ in the nuclear medium
- Shell Model with Λ -N Effective Potential ($p_N s_\Lambda$) for p-shell hypernuclei







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Spectrometer System Calibration





Spectrometer System Calibration -Forward Optical Tuning-



The real field map deviated significantly from that calculated by TOSCA model Forward Optical Tuning

To find a map that gives close expression of the real magnetic field



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Mathematical Spectrometer System Calibration

Purpose: achieve accurate mass spectroscopy with sub-MeV energy resolution Technique: 2-arm coupled calibration for both kinematics and optics



Using known masses of Λ , Σ^0 and identified hypernuclear bound states (${}^{12}_{\Lambda}B$) for the spectrometer calibration

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mass	mean (MeV)	Width(FWHM) (MeV)			
Λ	-0.030±0.015	1.436±0.036			
Σ0	76.940±0.028	1.281±0.070			
Separation = 76.970±0.031MeV					
mass	mean (MeV)	Width(FWHM) (MeV)			
Λ	0.014±0.033	1.998±0.085			
Σ0	77.001±0.094	1.946±0.243			

Separation = 76.987±0.100MeV

Results and Discussion -12_{AB} -



 $#1 - #4, #7: s_{\Lambda} \otimes {}^{11}B \text{ core}$ $#5, 6, 8: p_{\Lambda} \otimes {}^{11}B \text{ core}$

Results and Discussion $-{}^{12}_{\Lambda}B$ -



Fitted σ = 231keV for E05-115 Fitted σ = 300keV for E01-011



Ratio (2⁻/ 1⁻)= 3.5

Results and Discussion $-{}^{12}{}_{\Lambda}B$ -

Quoted uncertainties: statistical

Systematic uncertainties for measured E_x is 0.07MeV

Peak	Main structure	J_n^{π}	E_x^{\exp}	E_x^{th}	$\sigma^{ m exp}$	$\sigma^{ m th}$
			(MeV)	(MeV)	(nb/sr)	(nb/sr)
#1-1	$^{11}B(3/2^-; \text{g.s.}) \otimes s_{1/2\Lambda}$	1_{1}^{-}	0.00	0.00	101.1 ± 2.8	100.0
#1-2	$^{11}B(3/2^-; \text{g.s.}) \otimes s_{1/2\Lambda}$	2^{-}_{1}	0.179 ± 0.013	0.12	101.1 ± 2.0	5 100.0
#2	$^{11}B(1/2^-; 2.125) \otimes s_{1/2\Lambda}$	1_{2}^{-}	3.11 ± 0.04	2.59	247 ± 42	32.0
#4	$^{11}B(1/2^-; 2.125) \otimes s_{1/2\Lambda}$	0_{1}^{-}	5.11 ± 0.04	2.59	24.1 ± 4.2	52.9
#3	$^{11}B(3/2^-; 5.020) \otimes s_{1/2\Lambda}$	2^{-}_{3}	6.05 ± 0.05	5.64	931 ± 47	12.4
#9	$^{11}B(3/2^-; 5.020) \otimes s_{1/2\Lambda}$	1_{3}^{-}	0.05 ± 0.05	5.72	25.1 1 4.7	4.0
#5	$^{11}B(3/2^-; \text{g.s.}) \otimes p_{3/2\Lambda}$	2^+_1	10.23 ± 0.05	10.29	33.0 ± 5.7	5.1
#0	$^{11}B(3/2^-; \text{g.s.}) \otimes p_{\Lambda}$	1_{1}^{+}	10.23 ± 0.03	10.34	33.0 ± 0.1	2.6
#6	$^{11}B(3/2^-; \text{g.s.}) \otimes p_{1/2\Lambda}$	2^{+}_{2}	10.00 ± 0.02	10.93	00.4 ± 10.0	30.6
	$^{11}B(3/2^-; \text{g.s.}) \otimes p_{3/2\Lambda}$	3_{1}^{+}	10.99 ± 0.02	11.01	50.4 ± 10.0	46.8
#8	$^{11}B(1/2^-; 2.125) \otimes p_{3/2\Lambda}$	2^{+}_{3}	12.50 ± 0.06	12.80	30.5 ± 5.9	19.4
	$^{11}B(1/2^-; 2.125) \otimes p_{\Lambda}$	1_{3}^{+}		12.91		5.8

Results and Discussion

-¹²_ΛΒ-

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9.1850 ± 2.0	2+	1.9 ⁺¹⁵ ₋₁₁ eV	γ, α	1, 2, 13, 21, 22, 26, 34, 61
9.2744±2	5+	4	γ, α	1, 2, 13, 21, 22, 34, 61
9.876±8		110 ± 15	α	5, 13, 28
10.26 ± 15	1	165 ± 25	γ, α	2, 5, 13
10.33 ± 11	3-	110 ± 20	γ, α	2, 5, 13, 22, 34
10.597 ± 9	1+	100 ± 20	γ, α	2, 5, 13, 18, 20, 34
10.96 ± 50	5	4500	a	5
11.265 ± 17	9+ 2	110 ± 20	α	5, 13
11.444 ± 19	154	103 ± 20	α	5, 13
11.589 ± 26	<u></u> ^{‡+}	170 ± 30	n, a	3, 5, 13, 18, 20, 34
11.886 ± 17	5-2	200 ± 20	n, α	3, 5, 13, 18, 20
12.0 ± 200	7+	~1000	n, α	5, 18, 20
12.557 ± 16	$\frac{1}{2}^{+}(\frac{3}{2}^{+}); \frac{3}{2}$	210 ± 20	γ, p, α	5, 13, 16, 37

Peak	E _x (MeV)	Structure	¹¹ B state	¹¹ B E _x (MeV)
#4	8.85±0.06	s ⁴ p ⁶ (sd) \otimes s $_{\Lambda}$	3/2+	9.88
Extra #5	10.23±0.05	s ⁴ p ⁶ (sd) \otimes s $_{\Lambda}$	7/2+	10.60
#7	11.75±0.04	$s^4p^6(sd)\otimes s_\Lambda$	5/2+	11.60

Conclusion

- The unique CEBAF beam has enabled high-precision spectroscopic investigations of hypernuclei for studying the ΛN interaction.
- There is stronger evidence for sd-shell nuclei from spectroscopy of $^{12}{}_{\Lambda}\text{B}$
- The key technical improvement for possible future experiments in study spectroscopy of hypernuclei will be the reduction of the accidental background.



Introduction

-Production of Λ hypernuclei -



Nuclear shell model



3.3 Nuclear states: nuclear spin, parity and excitation energy

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Nuclear spin I:
Nucleons (proton, neutron) are Fermions with s=1/2
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Total angular momentum of the nucleon j = 1 + s (vector su

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Total angular momentum of the nucleus I

I = Σ<sub>i</sub>j<sub>i</sub> = Σ<sub>i</sub> (l<sub>i</sub> + s<sub>i</sub>)

gg-nucleus I=0

uu-nucleus I≠0, but also I=0

ug-,gu-nuclei I half integer
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Total angular momentum of the atom ("hyperfine structure"):
nuclear spin I + electronic shell J = atomic spin F
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splitting of atomic J leads to 2I+1 (I \le J) or 2J+1 (J \le I) sublevels
H<sub>Hfs</sub> = A I · J with E<sub>Hfs</sub> = A/2 [F(F+1) - I(I+1) - J(J+1)]
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Parity π (I^{π}):

symmetry behavior of the wave function under reflection (in space) $\Pi_{op}\Psi(r) = \Psi(-r) = \pi \Psi(r)$ if $\Pi_{op} H \Pi_{op}^{-1} = H$ with $H\Psi = E\Psi$

2-fold application = identity operation therefore: eigenvalues for parity operation +1 or -1.

Parity is a multiplicative quantum number

Parity even (+1): with even orbital angular momentum Parity odd (-1): with odd orbital angular momentum

characterizing energy levels



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Systematic uncertainties for B_{Λ} E05-115: ± 120keV; E01-011: ± 160keV

Systematic uncertainties for cross section: ± 12%

E05 - 115: $\theta_{\nu K} = 6.8^{\circ}$ E01 - 011: $\theta_{\nu K} = 5.8^{\circ}$

	B_{Λ}	B_{Λ}	B_{Λ}	cross sectin	cross section
peak	(E05-115)	(E01-011)	Average	(E05-115)	(E01-011)
	(MeV)	(MeV)	(MeV)	(nb/sr)	(nb/sr)
#1-1	11.529 ± 0.012	11.517 ± 0.014	11.523 ± 0.013	83.0 ± 3.0	101.0 ± 4.2
#1-2	11.348 ± 0.012	11.341 ± 0.014	11.344 ± 0.014	05.0 ± 5.0	101.0 ± 4.2
#2	8.425 ± 0.047	8.390 ± 0.075	8.415 ± 0.040	19.1 ± 3.7	33.5 ± 11.3
#3	5.488 ± 0.052	5.440 ± 0.085	5.475 ± 0.044	18.0 ± 4.6	26.0 ± 8.8
#4	2.499 ± 0.075	2.882 ± 0.085	2.667 ± 0.056	16.2 ± 5.1	20.5 ± 7.3
#5	1.220 ± 0.056	1.470 ± 0.091	1.289 ± 0.048	28.7 ± 7.2	31.5 ± 7.4
#6	0.524 ± 0.024	0.548 ± 0.035	0.532 ± 0.020	75.7 ± 10.8	87.7 ± 15.4
#7	-0.223 ± 0.039	-0.318 ± 0.085	-0.240 ± 0.035	39.0 ± 7.4	46.3 ± 10.3
#8	-1.047 ± 0.078	-0.849 ± 0.101	-0.973 ± 0.062	27.8 ± 7.9	28.5 ± 7.4

2005(E01-011) 2nd Experiment :

 $^{7}_{\otimes}$ He $^{12}_{\Lambda}$ B, $^{28}_{\Lambda}$ Al

- ✤ Newly-constructed HKS for K⁺ side
- Apply "Tilt Method" for e' side

2009(E05-115) 3rd Experiment:

¹²_⊗B, ⁷_AHe, ¹⁰_ABe, ⁹_⊗Li and ⁵²_AV
◆Beam Energy 1.8 #2.344 GeV
◆Brand-new e' spectrometer, HES

Calibration by the elementary process

 $p(e,e'K^+) \otimes or \blacklozenge : CH_2$

CEBAF Bird's-eye photo



Hall C technique in 6GeV program -common split magnet-





- New HES spectrometer \rightarrow larger $\Delta \Omega$
- Same Tilt Method
- ✤ High beam luminosity
- Further improves accidental rate
- Further improves resolution and accuracy
- ✤ High yield rate
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-Forward Optical Tuning-



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Introduction

Merits of the (e,e'K+) experiment

© Large momentum transfer

 \rightarrow Excitation of deeply-bound state

 \odot p to Λ reaction \rightarrow Mirror and Neutron-rich hypernuclei

©Spin-flip/non-flip production

☺ High Energy Resolution due to CEBAF beam's quality





CEBAF Bird's-eye photo

KID and coincidence

Coincidence time: $T_C = T_{HKS} - T_{HES}$



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4th doublet separation: $\Delta E(1_3^{-} - 2_3^{-}) \approx 0.22 \pm 0.06(\text{stat}) \pm 0.07(\text{sys.}) \text{ MeV}$ Theory prediction: $\Delta E(1_3^{-} - 2_3^{-}) = 0.08$