#### J-PARCにおけるK中間子原子核の実験的研究 ~J-PARC E27実験と今後~

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# K<sup>-</sup>pp bound state



- Total charge:+1,  $I = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $J^{P} = 0^{-}$ .
- The bound state was expected due to the KN strong interaction, which is strong attractive in I = 0.
- It has a rich information such as the K
   K
   N strong interaction in sub-threshold region and behavior of Λ(1405) in many body system.
- It makes high density (?)

# Past experiments for the K<sup>-</sup>pp

T. Yamazaki et al., PRL 104, 132502 (2010).

- FINUDA experiment M. Agnello et al., PRL 94, 212303 (2005).
  - Stopped K<sup>-</sup> absorption on  $^{6,7}$ Li and  $^{12}$ C.
  - Invariant mass of back-to-back  $\Lambda p$  pairs.
  - BE: 115 <sup>+6</sup><sub>-5</sub>(stat.)<sup>+3</sup><sub>-4</sub> (syst.)MeV, Γ: 67 <sup>+14</sup><sub>-11</sub>(stat.)<sup>+2</sup><sub>-3</sub> (syst.)MeV
- **DISTO** experiment
  - − pp→K<sup>+</sup>Ap reaction at  $T_p=2.85$ GeV.
  - K<sup>+</sup> missing mass and  $\Lambda p$  invariant mass.
  - BE: 103 ±3(stat.) ±5(syst.)MeV, Γ: 118 ±8(stat.) ±10(syst.)MeV
- **OBELIX** experiment
  - -p annihilation reaction on <sup>4</sup>He.
  - (pp $\pi^{-}$ ) invariant mass.
  - BE: 151.0 ±3.2(stat.) ±1.2(syst.)MeV, Γ: < 33.9 ±6.2 MeV



# Comparison BE and Γ of the K<sup>-</sup>pp

- Theoretical values of BE and Γ strongly depend on the KN interaction and calculation method.
- Theoretical values can't reproduce the experimental ones.
- Experimental values are not consistent with each other.





#### Requirement of the new experiment

• Target

- It is better to use lighter target to reduce FSI.

- Reaction
  - We should know the reaction mechanism.
  - Background reaction should be controlled.
- Measurement
  - Exclusive or semi-exclusive measurement is important for the sensitivity of the K<sup>-</sup>pp.

#### J-PARC E27 experiment

# $d(\pi^+, K^+)$ reaction

- K<sup>-</sup>pp is expected to be produced as a  $\Lambda(1405)$  doorway.
- Main background is quasi-free hyperon ( $\Lambda$ ,  $\Sigma^{+/0}$ ) and hyperon resonance ( $\Lambda$ (1405),  $\Sigma$ (1385)<sup>+/0</sup>) production.
  - Elementary cross sections were measured. (bubble chamber)



## Λ(1405) elementary cross section

•  $\pi^- p \rightarrow K^0 \Lambda(1405)$  reaction was measured by using hydrogen bubble chamber at 1.69 GeV/c. ( $\pi^+ n \rightarrow K^+ \Lambda(1405)$  cross section should be same assuming the isospin symmetry. We know the elementary cross section of  $\Lambda(1405)$ .)



## **Experimental setup**

- $[d(\pi^+, K^+) \text{ reaction at } p_{\pi} = 1.69 \text{ GeV}/c]$
- K1.8 beam line spectrometer
  - 1.69 GeV/c  $\pi^+$  beam
  - $\Delta p/p \sim 2 \times 10^{-3}$
- SKS spectrometer
  - 0.8 1.3 GeV/c for  $K^{\scriptscriptstyle +}$
  - $-\Delta p/p \sim 2 \times 10^{-3}$
  - ΔΩ ~ 100 msr
- Target
  - Liquid deuterium



#### Simulated inclusive missing-mass spectrum

- There are many quasi-free Y<sup>(\*)</sup> productions (background).
  - Estimated using the elementary cross sections of the  $\pi^+p \rightarrow K^+X$  and  $\pi^-p \rightarrow K^0X$  (for  $\pi^+n \rightarrow K^+X$ ) reactions with deuteron wave-function. (Bonn potential)

# K<sup>-</sup>pp signal will be hidden by quasi-free processes at inclusive spectrum.



# Range counter array (RCA) for the coincidence measurement

- RCA is installed to measure the proton from the K<sup>-</sup>pp. - K<sup>-</sup>pp $\rightarrow \Lambda p \rightarrow p\pi^-p$ ; K<sup>-</sup>pp $\rightarrow \Sigma^0 p \rightarrow p\pi^-\gamma p$ ; K<sup>-</sup>pp $\rightarrow Yp\pi \rightarrow p\pi p\pi + (etc.)$
- We suppress the QF background by tagging a proton.
  Seg2 and 5 are free from QF background.
- More strongly suppress by tagging two protons.



## Requirement of the new experiment

- Target
  - It is better to use lighter target to reduce FSI.
  - **E27**  $\Rightarrow$  We use the liquid deuterium target.
- Reaction
  - We should know the reaction mechanism.
  - E27  $\Rightarrow$  The K<sup>-</sup>pp is expected to be produced as a  $\Lambda(1405)$  doorway.
    - Background reaction should be controlled.
  - E27 ⇒ The main BG is quasi-free hyperon (resonance) productions.
- Measurement
  - Exclusive or semi-exclusive measurement is important for the sensitivity of K<sup>-</sup>pp.



 $\Rightarrow$ We carried out the coincidence experiment with RCA.

#### $d(\pi^+, K^+)$ at 1.69 GeV/c (Inclusive spectrum)

#### Y\* peak; data = 2400.6 ± 0.5(stat.) ± 0.6(syst.) MeV/c<sup>2</sup> sim = 2433.0 $^{+2.8}_{-1.6}$ (syst.) MeV/c<sup>2</sup> `shift" = -32.4 ± 0.5(stat.) $^{+2.9}_{-1.7}$ (syst.) MeV/c<sup>2</sup>



## **ΣN** cusp (Inclusive spectrum)

- A cusp at  $\Sigma N$  threshold is prominent in the forward angle.
  - $-M_0 = 2130.5 \pm 0.4$  (stat.)  $\pm 0.9$  (syst.) [MeV/ $c^2$ ]
  - $-\Gamma = 5.3^{+1.4}_{-1.2}$  (stat.)<sup>+0.6</sup><sub>-0.3</sub> (syst.) [MeV]
  - $d\sigma/d\Omega = 10.7 \pm 1.7 \ \mu b/sr$



H. Machner et al., NPA 901, 65 (2013).

#### Previous measurement (ΣN cusp)

The ΣN cusp structure was observed in the d(K<sup>-</sup>, π<sup>-</sup>), d(π<sup>+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>) and p(p, K<sup>+</sup>) reaction.
 In the d(K<sup>-</sup>, π<sup>-</sup>) and d(π<sup>+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>) reaction



Further detailed theoretical studies including the present data would reveal the information on the  $\Sigma N$ - $\Lambda N$  coupling strength and pole position.

- There was no experiment to observe the ΣN cusp in the inclusive spectrum in the d(K<sup>-</sup>, π<sup>-</sup>) and d(π<sup>+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>) reactions.
  - We can directly compare the inclusive spectrum with the theoretical spectrum.
  - Our MM resolution (3.2 MeV) is better than previous measurement.



# ``K<sup>-</sup>pp''-like structure(coincidence)

- Broad enhancement ~2.28 GeV/c<sup>2</sup> has been observed in the Σ<sup>0</sup>p spectrum.
  - Mass: 2275  $^{+17}_{-18}$  (stat.)  $^{+21}_{-30}$  (syst.) MeV/ $c^2$  (BE: 95  $^{+18}_{-17}$  (stat.)  $^{+30}_{-21}$  (syst.) MeV )
  - Width:  $162 + \frac{87}{-45}$  (stat.)  $+ \frac{66}{-78}$  (syst.) MeV
  - $d\sigma/d\Omega_{K^-pp"\to\Sigma^0 p} = 3.0 \pm 0.3 \text{ (stat.) }^{+0.7}_{-1.1} \text{ (syst.) } \mu \text{b/sr}$
  - $\Gamma_{\Lambda p}/\Gamma_{\Sigma^0 p} = 0.92 \stackrel{+0.16}{_{-0.14}} (\text{stat.}) \stackrel{+0.60}{_{-0.42}} (\text{syst.})$ . [Theoretical value: ~1.2]



<1 proton coincidence probability>



#### Discussion on the ``K<sup>-</sup>pp''-like structure 1

 Obtained mass (BE ~ 100 MeV) and broad width are not inconsistent with the FINUDA and DISTO values.



#### Discussion on the ``K<sup>-</sup>pp''-like structure 2

- Sticking probability of the  $\Lambda(1405)$  (Elementary: 36.9  $\mu$ b/sr)
  - −  $(d\sigma/dΩ_{K^{-}pp^{"}\rightarrow\Sigma^{0}p})/(d\sigma/dΩ_{\Lambda(1405)})$  = 8.2 %
  - $(d\sigma/d\Omega_{K^{-}pp^{\prime\prime}\rightarrow\Lambda p})/(d\sigma/d\Omega_{\Lambda(1405)}) = 6.0 \%$
  - $(d\sigma/d\Omega_{K-pp''})/(d\sigma/d\Omega_{\Lambda(1405)}) \gtrsim 14.2\% \quad \text{(for the } Y^* : \gtrsim 3.1\%\text{)}$
  - Theoretical value is about 1%.

# Incorrect assumption of the Λ(1405) doorway (?) and/or the other possibilities (?)

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# Future plan

1. To confirm the "K-pp"-like structure

2. To study the  $\overline{K}$ -A interaction for the kaonic nuclei search.

#### To confirm the "K-pp"-like structure

- Further experiment is planed by using **Hyp-TPC** + KURAMA Spectrometer and same reaction (d( $\pi^+$ , K<sup>+</sup>) reaction).
  - E27 experiment = RCA + SKS spectrometer
  - RCA  $\rightarrow$  Hyp-TPC(Improve to the large acceptance!! (About 4 times larger)!!)
  - − SKS → KURAMA (Improve to the large acceptance (About 2 times larger!!)
  - In the further experiment, we carried out the perfect experiment to detect all particles in high statistic and determine the spin and parity of the K<sup>-</sup>pp-like structure!!
  - We are going to search further kaonic nucleus by using this detector system with <sup>3</sup>He(π<sup>+</sup>,K<sup>+</sup>)K<sup>-</sup>ppp, d(K<sup>-</sup>,K<sup>0</sup>)K<sup>-</sup>K<sup>-</sup>pp, <sup>3</sup>He(K<sup>-</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>) K<sup>-</sup>K<sup>-</sup>ppn reactions.



#### C(K<sup>-</sup>, p) spectrum to study K<sup>bar</sup>-A interaction

- It is not still conclusive whether K<sup>bar</sup>-nucleus potential is deep or shallow.
  - − Chiral based study:
    Re(V<sub>0</sub>) ≤ -60 MeV (Shallow)
  - Phenomenological study (DD etc.) Re(V<sub>0</sub>)  $\sim$  -200 MeV (Deep)
- Experimental data
  - Kaonic atom
  - Production rate of Λ hypernuclei
    (Stopped K<sup>-</sup> reaction: FINUDA).
  - K<sup>-</sup>/K<sup>+</sup> ratio of the heavy ion collision (Kaos).
  - − C(K<sup>-</sup>,N) spectrum (KEK E548).



# KEK E548 [C(K<sup>-</sup>, N) spectrum]



T. Kishimoto et al., PTP **118**, 1 (2007)

V<sub>opt</sub> was studied by comparing the DWIA calculation.

- C(K<sup>-</sup>, n): V<sub>opt</sub> = (-190, -40) MeV
- C(K<sup>-</sup>, p): V<sub>opt</sub> = (-160, -50) MeV

## **Discussion about KEK E548**

- V. K. Magas *et al.*, pointed out a serious drawback in this experimental setup.
  - In E548, at lest one charged particle detected in their decay counter was required. (semi-inclusive spectrum)
- We plan to take the <sup>12</sup>C(K<sup>-</sup>, p) spectrum as by-product of E05 pilot run (next Autumn ??).



# C(K<sup>-</sup>, p) study in the E05 pilot run

- Goal of this measurement
  - Determine the K<sup>bar</sup>A optical potential from QF inclusive spectrum.
  - Search the Kaonic nuclei  $({}^{11}_{K}B)$ .
    - If background is small and width of  ${}^{11}_{K}B$  is not so broad, we can see the signal.

#### We can take this data with E05 setup at the same time.



#### Preliminary result of the trigger study data

We took trigger study data (K<sup>-</sup> beam at 1.8 GeV/*c* with CH<sub>2</sub> target) in April. Data condition: 190k/spill K-beam, 10 minutes data. We can see clear K<sup>-</sup>p  $\rightarrow$  K<sup>-</sup>p (Elastic) peak.

In Autumn beam time, we will be able to get ~4000 times more statistics.



# Conclusion

#### E27

- The K<sup>-</sup>pp bound state are not well explored, yet. We have searched for the K<sup>-</sup> pp bound state using the d(π<sup>+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>) reaction at 1.69 GeV/c.
- We have measured the inclusive missing-mass spectrum at 1.69 GeV/c in high statistic and energy resolution for the first time.
- The overall structure is well reproduced with a simple quasi-free picture except for two peculiar deviations.
  - $Y^*$  region peak shift /  $\Sigma N$  cusp.
- We have observed a mass distribution of the ``K<sup>-</sup>pp''-like structure in the  $\pi$  +d $\rightarrow$ K<sup>+</sup>``K<sup>-</sup>pp'', ``K<sup>-</sup>pp'' $\rightarrow$  $\Sigma^{0}$ p mode in two-proton coincidence.
  - Mass:  $2275 {}^{+17}_{-18}$  (stat.)  ${}^{+21}_{-30}$  (syst.) MeV/ $c^2$  (BE:  $95 {}^{+18}_{-17}$  (stat.)  ${}^{+30}_{-21}$  (syst.) MeV )
  - Width:  $162 {+87 \atop -45}$  (stat.)  ${+66 \atop -78}$  (syst.) MeV

#### Future plan

- K<sup>-</sup>pp study by using d( $\pi^+$ , K<sup>+</sup>) reaction with KURAMA + Hyp-TPC. (J<sup>P</sup>?)
- C(K<sup>-</sup>, p) spectrum to study the K<sup>bar</sup>-nucleus interaction as a by-product measurement of E05 pilot experiment.