Reconstructing multi-particle final states with GlueX

Decay modes of Gluonic excitations GlueX Experiment Reconstruction of photons Reconstruction of charged particles

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Normal Mesons – $q\bar{q}$ color singlet bound states

Spin/angular momentum configurations & radial excitations generate the known spectrum of light quark mesons.

Starting with **u** - **d** - **s** we expect to find mesons grouped in nonets - each characterized by a given J, P and C.



Naming Scheme for u,d Mesons

Name (I=1, I=0)	L	S	JPC	$^{2S+1}L_{J}$	Examples
π, η	0	0	0- +	¹ S ₀	π, η
ρ, ω	0	1	1	³ S ₀	ρ(770), ω(782)
b, h	1	0	1+-	¹ P ₁	b ₁ (1235), h ₁ (1170)
a, f	1	1	0++	³ P ₀	a ₀ (980), f ₀ (980)
a, f	1	1	1++	³ P ₁	a ₁ (1260), f ₁ (1285)
a, f	1	1	2 ++	³ P ₂	a ₂ (1320), f ₂ (1270)
π, η	2	0	2-+	¹ D ₂	π ₂ (1670)
ρ, ω	2	1	1	³ D ₁	$\rho_1(1700), \omega_1(1600)$
ρ, ω	2	1	2	³ D ₂	
ρ, ω	2	1	3	³ D ₃	ρ ₃ (1670)
b, h	3	0	3+ -	¹ F ₃	
a, f	3	1	2 + +	³ F ₂	$P = (-1)^{L+1}$
a, f	3	1	3++	³ F ₃	$C = (-1)^{L+S}$
a, f	3	1	4 + +	³ F ₄	$PC=(-1)^{S+1}$

Hybrid Mesons





Quantum Numbers of Hybrid Mesons



Flux tube excitation (and parallel quark spins) lead to exotic J^{PC}

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K₁
$$I^{G}(J^{PC}) = \frac{1}{2} (1^{-})$$

 $\pi_{1} I^{G}(J^{PC}) = 1^{-}(1^{-+})$
 $\eta'_{1} I^{G}(J^{PC}) = 0^{+}(1^{-+})$
 $\eta_{1} I^{G}(J^{PC}) = 0^{+}(1^{-+})$

$$\gamma \Leftrightarrow \rho, \omega, \phi$$

Couple to vector meson + exchanged particle

$$\pi_1 \Leftrightarrow \rho \pi$$

$$η_1 ⇔ ρb_1, ωφ$$

$$\eta_1 \Leftrightarrow \phi \omega$$



Mass Predictions

Lowest mass expected to be $\pi_1(1^{-+})$ at 1.9±0.2 GeV



Selection Rules

 Decays of J^{PC}=0⁺⁻, 1⁻⁺, 2⁺⁻,.... exotic hybrids to pseudoscalar mesons vanish.

> Hybrids do not decay to $\eta\pi$.

> Hybrids decays to $\pi\pi$, $\rho\rho$, KK are forbidden.

- Decays of hybrids to s-wave mesons highly suppressed.
 - > Hybrid decay to $\rho\pi$ is suppressed.



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How do exotics decay?



Possible daughters:

L=1: a,b,h,f,... L=0: π,ρ,η,ω,...

The angular momentum in the flux tube stays in one of the daughter mesons (L=1) and (L=0) meson, e.g:

flux tube L=1 quark L=1 Example: $\pi_1 \rightarrow b_1 \pi$ $\rightarrow \omega \pi \rightarrow (3\pi) \pi$ or $\omega \pi \rightarrow (\pi \gamma) \pi$

simple decay modes such as $\eta \pi, \rho \pi, \dots$ are suppressed.

Flux Tube Expectations for π_1 **(2000)**

Decay Mode	Final	Partial Width PSS	Partial Width IKP	
	state	(MeV)	(MeV)	
b ₁ (1235) π	$\omega\pi\pi$	43	58	
K ₁ (1400) K	Κππ Κ	33	75	
η(1295) π	ηππ π	27	21	
ρπ	ππ π	16	16	
ρ(1450) π	ππ π	12	12	
f ₁ (1285) π	ππππ π	10	38	
a ₁ (1260) ղ	ρπ η	7	13	
K ₁ (1270) K	Κρ Κ	7	19	
Total		> 155	> 252	

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Partial width dependence on hybrid mass



FIG. 1. Dominant partial widths of a 1^{-+} isovector hybrid at various hybrid masses. The partial widths to $K_1(1400)K$, $\eta(1295)\pi$, $b_1\pi$ and $\rho\pi$ correspond to the highest to the lowest intersections with the vertical axis.

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Strategy for Exotic Meson Search

- Use 8 9 GeV polarized photons (12 GeV electron beam)
 - Expect production of hybrids to be comparable to normal mesons
 - Dearth of experimental data
- Use hermetic detector with large acceptance
 - Decay modes expected to have multiple particles
 - hermetic coverage for charged and neutral particles
 - high data acquisition rate to enable amplitude analysis
- Perform partial-wave analysis
 - identify quantum numbers as a function of mass
 - check consistency of results in different decay modes



Exotic Meson Decay Channels

Our "Golden" Channels:

TABLE VI: Possible Decay Modes for Exotic Hybrids

Particle	J^{PC}	Ι	G	Possible $Modes^a$
b_0	0^{+-}	1	+	
h_0	0^{+-}	0	_	$b_1\pi$
π_1	1^{-+}	1	_	$\rho\pi, b_1\pi$
η_1	1^{-+}	0	+	$a_2\pi$
b_2	2^{+-}	1	+	$a_2\pi$
h_2	2^{+-}	0	_	$ ho\pi, b_1\pi$

^aAssuming the G = + channel $2\pi\eta$ or the G = - channels 3π or $2\pi\omega$.

... resulting in 3π , $2\pi\eta$, and $2\pi\omega$.

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$$\pi_1 \rightarrow f_1 \pi; \\f_1 \rightarrow a_0 \pi; \\a_0 \rightarrow \eta \pi. \\(i.e., 3\pi n)$$

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Photon beam and experimental area



Linearly Polarized Photon Beam

Rates are based on

- 12 GeV electron beam
- 20 μm diamond crystal
- 300 nA electron beam
- Rad-collimator: 76 m
- Collimator diameter: 3.5mm

Leads to $10^7 \gamma$ /s on target

Design is expandable to $10^{8}\gamma/s$





Hall D Detector



Hall D Detector



Hall D: Detector Design Parameters

Capability	Quantity	Range					
Charged particles	Coverage	1º < θ < 160º					
	Momentum Resolution (5°-140°)	σ _p /p = 1 − 3%					
	Position resolution	σ ~ 0.15-0.20 mm					
	dE/dx measurements	20 < θ < 160 °					
	Time-of-flight measurements	σ _{τοF} ~ 60 ps; σ _{BCal} ~ 200ps					
	Barrel time resolution	$\sigma_{t}^{ ext{ g}}$ < (74 / $\sqrt{ extsf{E}}$ \oplus 33) ps					
Photon detection	Energy measurements	2° < θ < 120°					
	FCAL energy resolution (E > 60 MeV)	σ _E /E = (7.3/√E⊕ 3.5)%					
	BCAL energy resolution (E > 40 MeV)	σ _E /E =(5.54/√E⊕ 1.6)%					
	FCAL position resolution	σ _{x,y,} ~ 0. 64 cm/√E					
	BCAL position resolution	σ_{z} ~ 0.5cm / \sqrt{E}					
DAQ/trigger	Level 1	< 200 kHz					
	Level 3 event rate to tape	~ 15 kHz					
	Data rate	300 MB/s					
Electronics	Fully pipelined	250 / 125 MHz fADCs, TDCs					
Photon Flux	Initial: 10 ⁷ γ/s for 8.4 <e<9.0 gev<="" td=""><td>Final: 10⁸ γ/s</td></e<9.0>	Final: 10 ⁸ γ/s					
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Calorimetry

Detector Region	$\sigma(M_{\gamma\gamma})$ for π^0 [MeV/ c^2]
FCAL	5.4
BCAL	9.2
FCAL + BCAL	7.6

Barrel Calorimeter:

- 191 layer Pb-scintillating fiber sandwich (15.5X_o)
- 12.5% sampling fraction
- 1152 + 192 = 1344 readout sections/end

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- $\underline{\sigma}_{E}/E=$ (5.54/VE \oplus 1.6) %
- $\sigma_{z} = 5 \text{mm/VE}$
- $\sigma_t = 74 \text{ ps/VE} \oplus 33 \text{ ps}$
- angular coverage 11° < θ < 120°



Central Drift Chambers



Forward Drift Chambers

beam

- Four packages
- Six cathode-wire-cathode sandwiches per package
- Wire planes sandwiched between U & V cathode strip planes.
 - Strips at ±75degrees to wires
 - Neighboring layers within package rotated by 60 degrees
 - 96 anode wires/plane
 - 216 cathode strips/plane
- Number of channels = 12672



Signal Cables

(power cables not shown)

Spacers



Magnetic field and chamber location



Radiation length scan



Particle kinematics



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Comments on acceptance

- Single particle acceptance
 - Geometrical
 - Thresholds
 - Energy loss, absorption and scattering by material in the detector
 - Detector efficiencies
 - EM background (uncorrelated)
- Environment
 - Other tracks or particles in the same event (confusion)
 - Particles from other interactions (accidentals)
- These considerations affect both photons and charged particles but in different ways, and have been studied to different degrees for each
- Full event reconstruction is a work-in-progress, but partial answers can be found with simpler (parametric) tools



Parametric Monte Carlo

"HDFast" Parametric MC.

Acceptance Criteria:

- (1) tracks have at least 4 hits
- (2) photons hit the BCal or FCal

(3) photon minimum energy is: 20 MeV (BCal), 100 MeV (FCal)

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#	State	Mass	Width	Decay
1	η_1	1800	300	$a_1(1260)^-\pi^+ \to [\rho^\circ\pi^-]\pi^+ \to [(\pi^+\pi^-)\pi^-]\pi^+$
2	η_1	1800	300	$a_1(1260)^-\pi^+ \to [\rho^-\pi^\circ]\pi^+ \to [(\pi^-\pi^\circ)\pi^\circ]\pi^+$
3	π_1°	1700	400	$f_1(1285)\pi^\circ \rightarrow [a_0(980)\pi^\circ]\pi^\circ \rightarrow [(\pi^\circ\eta)\pi^\circ]\pi^\circ$
4	π_1°	1700	400	$a_1(1260)^\circ\eta\to [\rho(770)^+\pi^-]\eta\to [(\pi^+\pi^\circ)\pi^-]\eta$
5	b_2^+	2000	300	$a_1(1260)^+\pi^\circ \rightarrow [\rho(770)^+\pi^\circ]\pi^\circ \rightarrow [(\pi^+\pi^\circ)\pi^\circ]\pi^\circ$
6	π_1^+	1700	400	$b_1(1235)^+\pi^\circ \rightarrow [\omega(782)\pi^+]\pi^\circ \rightarrow [(\pi^+\pi^-\pi^\circ)\pi^+]\pi^\circ$
7	h_2	2000	300	$b_1(1235)^-\pi^+ \rightarrow [\omega(782)\pi^-]\pi^+ \rightarrow [(\pi^+\pi^-\pi^\circ)\pi^-]\pi^+$

New Modes:

Mode 3: $\pi_1(1700) \rightarrow f_1(1285)\pi^0 \rightarrow 8\gamma$



Reconstruction of single photons



Realistic Geometry (Parametric)

The realistic FCal acceptance has a big effect on some channels, for example:

 $\gamma p \to \eta \pi^0 p$

Look at stand-alone MC.

Acceptance criteria:

- · photons hit the FCal or BCal
- use FCal reconstruction efficiencies
- minimum energies are 40 MeV (BCal), 100 MeV (FCal)





- A. Generated distribution
- B. Geometry (96%) + E_{min} Cuts
- C. FCal Reconstruction Efficiencies
- D-G. Reject BCal-FCal transition region from 11 to 12, 13, 14, 15 degrees.

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Realistic Reconstruction (first attempt)

- Generate $\gamma p \rightarrow \eta \pi^0 p$ and $\gamma p \rightarrow \eta 3 \pi^0 p$.
- Generate Pythia background using Pythiapredicted $\eta\pi^0$ and $\eta3\pi^0$ rates.
- Do full calorimeter reconstruction.
- Assume 100% efficiency for recoil proton.
- Balance initial and final 4-momenta.

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Notes:

- Efficiencies are lower than "HDFast"
- Signal to background is still quite good.
- More background MC would help.
- a₀ and a₂ are correctly identified in PWA.
- Most realistic picture to date ... promising ...





Acceptance for $\gamma p \rightarrow X p \rightarrow \eta \pi^0 p$

Polar angle distribution of all photons



- Significant population of final state photon in the efficiency gap region
- Reconstruction efficiency of four photons in the calorimeters:

35.5 % for the SiPM readout

32.2 % for the fine-mesh PMT readout





Acceptance for $\gamma p \rightarrow X p \rightarrow \eta \pi^0 p$



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Decays with charged and neutrals



Reconstruction of charged particles

- Momentum reconstruction uses central (CDC) and forward drift chambers (FDC)
 - Low-energy particles can either stop in the target, or spiral multiple times confusing event reconstruction
 - Trajectories in the transition between CDC and FDC is a challenge
- Particle identification
 - Energy loss in CDC to tag protons
 - Time-of-flight measurements in barrel calorimeter and forward scintillator array used to easily separate pions from protons
 - Kaon identification limited to p < 1.5 GeV for $\theta < 10$ deg.
 - BUT at present, we usually make simplifying assumptions about the particle identification in the event analysis.
- Comments
 - All hadronic interactions turned on for signal particles.
 - BUT: no electromagnetic background, no random noise, no out-oftime interactions.



"typical" $\gamma p \rightarrow 2\pi^+ 2\pi^- p$





Single track proton tracking efficiency



π^+ momentum resolution



"typical" $\gamma p \rightarrow 2\pi^+ 2\pi^- p$





"typical" $\gamma p \rightarrow 2\pi^+ 2\pi^- p$





Generated event 52 $\gamma p \rightarrow 2\pi^+ 2\pi^- p$





Kalman Filter fit event 52 $\gamma p \rightarrow 2\pi^+ 2\pi^- p$

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1	pi+	0.5565	23.41	2.87	57.4	1	pi-	2.235	11.99	1.52	56.22	4.313	18
2	pi+	1.038	16	5.786	57.4	2	pi-	6.06	5.306	4.223	59.3	3.739	39
3	pi-	5.322	5.324	4.267	57.4	3	pi+	0.5574	22.81	2.858	56	0.5777	15
4	pi-	1.999	11.88	1.557	57.4	4	proton+	0.6791	73	0.04931	64.06	153.7	11
5	proton	0.31	40.65	0.5825	57.4								



Least-square fit event 52 $\gamma p \rightarrow 2\pi^+ 2\pi^- p$





Summary

Model expectations

- In photoproduction, gluonic excitations will be produced with roughly the same cross sections as normal mesons.
- Gluonic excitations are expected to decay preferentially to multiparticle final states
- The GlueX detector has been designed to have high acceptance for both neutral and charged particles
 - Studies are underway to understand the detailed acceptance of many photoproduction reactions at high intensity and with many particles in the final state.
 - Full event reconstruction with charged and neutrals with all backgrounds included is a work-in-progress

