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On the possibility of producing and measuring the spin and parity of the Θ^+ using slow extraction beam at AGS / BNL

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$k^+ d \rightarrow \Theta^+ p$ $k^+ p \rightarrow \Theta^+ \pi^+$ $\pi^- p \rightarrow \Theta^+ k^-$

Why these Two-Body Reactions ?

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The current world data base: ~ 200 events.

CLASS / TJNAF new approved proposal: **800 events / 400 Hr.** Hall A , to be proposed : **100 events / day .**

At BNL 1 mb production yield: hundreds of events per hour.

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Simulation with: 1 mb $k^+ d \rightarrow \Theta^+ p$ 30 mb $k^+ d \rightarrow k^+ n p$ $P_{k} = 450 \text{ MeV/c}$

The proton detection angle [deg.]

Why these Two – Body Reactions (cont)?

The parity and spin of the theta can be determined by the angular distribution of the outgoing detected particle.

$k^+ d \rightarrow \Theta^+ p$ Intrinsic parity: - + + (?) +

 $\Delta L = I_f - I_i$ Must be odd if the initial and final states have opposite parity.





 $\Delta L = I_f - I_i$ Must be even if the initial and final states have same parity.



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Plane wave approximation



What incident momentum to choose?

		Threshold for ex	ktra pion
	threshold	production (k n τ	τ x)
	[MeV/c]	[MeV/c]	
$k^{+} d \rightarrow \Theta^{+} p$	400	460	
$k^+ p \rightarrow \Theta^+ \pi^+$	760	820	
$\pi^- p \rightarrow \Theta^+ k^-$	1720	1790	

At 600 MeV/c the θ 's are produced at rest.

Maximize the production cross section.

Allow separation from QE events.

Enough energy to the outgoing particles.

Angular distribution range sensitive to the theta quantum numbers.





D6 Beam Line and Experimental Area

E906 Experimental Area





Maximum Momentum: 830 MeV/c Pt target

2 Stage Separation, 3 rd order optics,	Particle	<u>Momentum</u>	<u>Flux</u>
special collimators	• K ⁺	800 MeV/c	3.0 x 10 ⁷
Length: 19.6 meters	• K ⁺	stopping	6.0 x 10 ⁶

Summary:

We propose a "second generation" experiment that can provide a strong signal of the theta and information on the spin and parity of the state.

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AGS/BNL is a natural place to exploit the Θ^+

- ✓ Beam lines and target are available
- ✓ A spectrometer is available for the D6 beam line, one could be configured for the LESBIII beam line
- $\checkmark\,$ No major equipment development is necessary
- ✓ As far as equipment and manpower is concern, these measurements can be done in early 2004 in the D6 beam line, some work required to be able to use LESBIII

Description Problem:

- > to get BNL / DOE to support an AGS fixed target experiment
- Anticipated budget problems are severe in FY 2004. There are 11 AGS fixed target NP and HEP experiments on the books with little hope of running

Only an exceptional strong support from a large community for a measurement with a very compelling physics potential might lead to positive response

The end

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AGS performance

PROTON BEAM	FY96 SEB	FY97 SEB	FEB (g-2)	FY98/99 SEB) FEB (g-2)	FY2000 FEB (g-2)	FY2001 FEB (g-2)	FY2002 SEB
Beam Energy Peak Beam Intensity Total protons accelerated	24 GeV 62 x 10 ¹² ppp 0.9 x 10 ²⁰	24 GeV 62 x 10 ¹² ppp 0.4 x 10 ²⁰	24 GeV 46 x 10 ¹² ppp 0.1 x 10 ²⁰	24 GeV 72 x 10 ¹² ppp 0.9 x 10 ²⁰	24 GeV 58 x 10 ¹² ppp 0.4 x 10 ²⁰	24 GeV 61 x 10 ¹² ppp 0.5 x 10 ²⁰	24 GeV 63 x 10 ¹² ppp 0.6 x 10 ²⁰	24 GeV 76 x 10 ¹² ppp 0.7 x 10 ²⁰
Spill Length/Cycle Time -> Duty Cycle	1.6 sec/3.6 sec 44%	1.6 sec/3.6 sec 44%		2.8 sec/5.1 sec 55%				2.4 sec/5.4 sec 44%
Spill Structure Modulation (peak-average) /average	20%	20%		20%				20%
Average Availability /Best Week	76% / 92%	71% / 79%	58 % / 67 %	71% / 88%	55 % / 83 %	74 % / 87 %	83 % / 88 %	85 % / <mark>97 %</mark>
HEAVY ION BEAM	Au	Au	Fe (NASA)	Au	Fe (NASA)	Fe (NASA)	Fe (NASA)	Fe (NASA)
Beam Energy /nucleon Peak Beam Intensity	11 / 4 / 2 GeV 4 x 10 ⁸ Au/p	11 / 8 / 6 GeV 17 x 10 ⁸ Au/p	1.0 / 0.6 GeV 20 x 10 ⁸ Fe/p	11 GeV 9 x 10 ⁸ Au/bund	1.0 / 0.6 GeV ch 36 x 10 ⁸ Fe/p	1.0 GeV 17 x 10 ⁸ Fe/p	1.0 GeV 80 x 10 ⁸ Fe/p	1.0 GeV 49 x 10 ⁸ Fe/p
Spill Length/Cycle Time -> Duty Cycle	1.4 sec/3.6 sec 39%	1.5 sec/4.0 sec 38%		1.2 sec/3.0 sec 40 %		0.9 sec/3.3 sec 27%	0.9 sec/3.3 sec 27%	0.9 sec/3.3 sec 27%
Spill Structure Modulation (peak-average) /average	<20%	<20%		<20%		<20%	<20%	<20%
Average Availability	80%	82 %	96 %	81 %	90 %	90 %	97 %	84 %

Properties of D6 2GeV Beam Line

- Maximum Momentum:1900 MeV/c
- 2 Stage Separation, 3rd order optics, special collimators
- Length: 31.6 meters
- Particle flux* per 3 x 10¹³, 25 GeV/c protons on 9 cm Pt target

Particle	<u>Momentum</u>	<u>Flux</u>	Beam Purity
K-	1800 MeV/c	8.0 x 10 ⁶	36%
K-	1800 MeV/c	$3.0 \ge 10^6$	70%
K-	1200 MeV/c	1.1 x 10 ⁶	94%
K-	930 MeV/c	3.8 x 10 ⁵	97%
р	1800 MeV/c	3.6 x 10 ⁶	47%
р	1400 MeV/c	1.2 x 10 ⁶	99%

* Proton flux in D-line limited by beam loss considerations, up to 7.6 x 10¹³ protons/AGS cycle have been extracted.

Properties of C4 LESBIII Beam Line

- Maximum Momentum: 830 MeV/c
- 2 Stage Separation, 3rd order optics, special collimators
- Length: 19.6 meters
- K⁻ flux per 6 x 10¹³, 25 GeV/c protons on 6 cm Pt target

	Particle	Momentum	<u>Flux</u>	Beam Purity
•	K^+	800 MeV/c	3.0 x 10 ⁷	71%
•	K^+	stopping	6.0 x 10 ⁶	

D6 Beam Line, 25 GeV/c protons on 9 cm pt





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For a direct pickup reaction (p,d)

