Dalitz decays of Hyperons

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Motivation

- Electromagnetic Form Factors (eFF) contain information about hadron charge and currents distributions. For J>1/2 there are 3 eFF (usually G_M,G_E,G_C)
- Generally eFF depends on q² and can be probed in scattering experiments (space like region), annihilation experiments (see below) AND Dalitz decays (topic of my talk)-(time like region)

Annihilation experiments : e+e- \rightarrow hyp anty-hyp ($q^2 > 4^*m_{hyp}^2$)

 $\sigma(s) = \left(4\pi\alpha^2\beta_B/3s\right)\left[|G_M(s)|^2 + \tau/2|G_E(s)|^2\right].$

- eFF sensitive to hyperon structure (for example di-quark correlations)
- Are eFF for hyperons equivalent to their counterpartners in baryon sector $-N^*$, Δ (SU(3)-symmetry)?
- Measured eFF (CLEO) are larger by factor 10 from early predictions based on VDM



Closed circles : GE= GM, Open circles: GE= 0

Dalitz decays

- Dalitz decays; for example $\Lambda^{3/2-}(1520) \rightarrow \Lambda^{1/2+}$ e+e- probe etransitionFF in time like region at low Q² = (4m_I; m_{$\Lambda(1520)$} m_{Λ}) –complementary to annihilation experiments
 - Predictions based on VDM shows rich structure due to intermediate vector meson states ρ,ω,φ...
 for example R. Williams et. al. PRC48(1993)1381 →

- As compared to Dalitz decays of baryon resonances (for example counterpartner decay N(1520) ^{3/2-}→ p^{1/2+} e+e-) are easeier to identify because hyperons are narrow states
- PANDA can measure
- Hyp*->Hyp γ (radiative decays), Dalitz decays into leptons and muons and hadronic decays as well !



 $a^2 (GaV^2)$

Dalitz decays - formalism

Generally we can express differentia decay width of such transition as:

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dM} = "\text{QED}" \otimes eTFF(Q^2 = M^2)$$

where "QED" parts accounts for description of point like particles with given spin, parity eTFF are Electromagnetic transition FF which depends on lepton inv. mass (M) and contains information on hyperon structure

"QED" part has been calculated for various baryonic tranistions in M.I. Krivouchenko et.al Ann.Phys.296(2002)299 , M. Zetenyi and G. Wolf Phys.Rev.C67(2003)044002 (arxiv:02020471)

$$d\Gamma(N^* \to Ne^+e^-) = \Gamma(N^* \to N\gamma^*)M\Gamma(\gamma^* \to e^+e^-)\frac{dM^2}{\pi M^4}$$
$$M\Gamma(\gamma^* \to e^+e^-) = \frac{\alpha}{3}(M^2 + 2m_e^2)\sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_e^2}{M^2}}$$

$$\Gamma(N_{(\pm)}^* \to N\gamma^*) = \frac{9\alpha}{16} \frac{(l!)^2}{2^l(2l+1)!} \frac{m_{\pm}^2(m_{\mp}^2 - M^2)^{l+1/2}(m_{\pm}^2 - M^2)^{l-1/2}}{m_*^{2l+1}m^2} \left[\left(\frac{l+1}{l} \left| G_{M/E}^{(\pm)} \right|^2 + (l+1)(l+2) \left| G_{E/M}^{(\pm)} \right|^2 + \frac{M^2}{m_*^2} \left| G_C^{(\pm)} \right|^2 \right).$$

M. Krivoruchenko for J \geq 3/2 ± transitions

eTFF

Example of $\Lambda(1520)^{3/2-} \rightarrow \Lambda^{1/2+}$ I+I-

DalitzK(x)



• "QED" forumla with constant FF . FF values adjusted to restore known radiative decay width of $\Lambda(1520) \Gamma(\Lambda(1520)->\Lambda\gamma) = 132 \text{ keV}$

I – electrons

– muons

Dashed line – effect of simple eTFF of the "dipole" form : $1/(1 - (M/0.71)^2)$ Effect is most visible at high masses

Integrated $\Gamma_{\Lambda \text{e+e-}}\cong$ 1 keV (BR= 6.8e-5)

Note that $\Gamma_{\Lambda e^+e^-} / \Gamma_{rad} \cong 1/132 \cong \alpha$

Simulation:

- pbar-p@4GeV/c
- Full Panda geometry included
- channels:
- $pbar p \rightarrow \Lambda \overline{\Lambda} \rightarrow p \, \overline{p} \, \pi^+ \, \pi^-$
- $pbar p \rightarrow \Lambda(1520)\overline{\Lambda}(1520)(stable) \rightarrow e^+e^-\pi^-p$

Anisotropic LEAR parametrization!

• $pbar - p \rightarrow \Lambda(1520)\overline{\Lambda}(1520)(stable) \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-\pi^-p$



https://www.ideals.illinois.edu/bitstream/handle/2142/22932/9543744.pdf?sequence=2

Reconstructed proton/anti-proton pi+/pi-



| pi+ | pi- |
|-----|-----|
| 52% | 53% |



| р | pbar |
|-----|------|
| 20% | 65% |

Invariant mass reconstruction



| | Lannoud |
|-----|---------|
| 34% | 5% |

Conclusion

- 50% of the pions are reconstructed, 62% of anti-protons and only 20% of protons reconstructed !
- 34% of lambda0bar reconstructed, and only 6% of lambdas with a poor mass resolution
- What to do next ? Preform the same study with the reduced field by a factor of 2 in solenoid and dipole.

| Field setting | р | p-bar | pi+ | pi- |
|---------------|-----|-------|-----|-----|
| Full | 20% | 65% | 52% | 53% |
| Half | 21% | 65% | 46% | 45% |



$\Lambda(1520)\overline{\Lambda}(1520)$ study

- 30000 events simulated
- only $\Lambda(1520)$ -> Λ e+e- reconstructed (decay according to phase space), $\overline{\Lambda}(1520)$ is marked as a stable particle



Facts & Figures

| Reconstructed e+ | Reconstructed e- | |
|------------------|------------------|--|
| 76% | 74% | |

Possible problems:

- low momenta electrons/positrons can be hard to reconstruct
- bremsstrahlung contribution visible in the e+ e- invariant mass distribution (no correction for bremsstrahlung photons in EMC included- to be done)



Reconstruction resolution



Momentum [GeV/c]

Momentum [GeV]



Reconstruction of $\Lambda^0(p \pi^-)$ $\Lambda(1520)^0(p \pi^-e^+e^-)$ (Phase space)



Conclusion

- Bremsstrahlung and problem with low momenta electron is visible in reconstruction
- Low reconstruction efficiency and low mass resolution
- A possibility to reconstruct $\Lambda(1520)^{\circ}$ from the $\mu^{+}\mu^{-}$ channel ?



Reconstruction of $\Lambda^0(p \pi^-)$ $\Lambda(1520)^0(p \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^-)$ (phase space)



Results

- increased reconstruction efficiency
- better energy resolution
- Bremsstrahlung is negligible (~1/m²)

| Reconstructed μ ⁺ | Reconstructed µ ⁻ |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 88% | 87% |





- Di-muons cut at 2*mµ but sensitive to effects of eFF on di-lepton mass which are important at high values
- Bremsstrahlung correction must be apllied for electrons

Modification of (e+ e-) distributions according to "QED" d Γ /dm

Each event weighted according to calculated (see slide 4) $d\Gamma/dm$ (formula from Krivoruchenko for $\Lambda(1520)^{3/2-} \rightarrow \Lambda^{1/2+} e^+e^-$ transition





Same for dimuon channel (mu+ mu-)



Baryon spectroscopy @ PANDA startup version

Assumption: 10x lower luminosity (J. Ritman Panda overview talk)

| | $ar{\Lambda}\Lambda$ | [I] [I] | $\cdot \Omega^+ \Omega^-$ | $ar{\Lambda}^+_c \Lambda^c$ |
|------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1.64 GeV/c | 2x10 ⁵ h ⁻¹ | | | |
| 4 GeV/c | 4x10 ⁴ h ⁻¹ | 2500 h⁻¹ | | |
| 15 GeV/c | 2x10 ⁴ h ⁻¹ | (≈ 1000 h ⁻¹) | (30 h ⁻¹) | ((5 day ⁻¹)) |

Assuming $\Lambda(1520)$ Production rates of similar order as Λ we can expect ~ few e+e-/hour

Final conclusions

- Bremsstrahlung and problem with low momenta electron is visible in reconstructioncorrection for energy loss is needed – to be done in next
- Low reconstruction efficiency and low mass resolution for e+ e-
- A possibility to reconstruct $\Lambda(1520)^{0}$ from the $\mu^{+}\mu^{-}$ channel yields in:
- increased reconstruction efficiency
- better energy resolution
- Bremsstrahlung is negligible