Radiation detectors for present and future kaonic atoms' measurements at DAΦNE

"EXOTICO: EXOTIc atoms meet nuclear COllisions for a new frontier precision era in low-energy strangeness nuclear physics"

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Why (again and still) kaonic atoms?

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C.J. Batty et al. / Physics Reports 287 (1997) 385-445



Fig. 7. Shift and width values for kaonic atoms. The continuous lines join points calculated with the best-fit optical potential discussed in Section 4.2.

Except for the most recent measurements at DAΦNE and JPARC on KHe and KH, the whole knowledge on kaonic atoms dates back to 1970s and 1980s

These data are the experimental basis for all the developed theoretical models

These theoretical models are used to derive, for example:

- KN interaction at threshold
- KNN interaction at threshold
- Nuclear density distributions
 - Possible existence of kaon condensates
 - Kaon mass
- Kaonic atoms cascade models

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Table 1 Compilation of K^- atomic data

Nucleus	Transition	e (keV)	Γ (keV)	Y	Γ_{μ} (eV)	Ref.
Не	3→2	-0.04 ± 0.03	-	_	_	[15]
		-0.035 ± 0.012	0.03 ± 0.03	-	-	[16]
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Al	$4 \rightarrow 3$	-0.130 ± 0.050	0.490 ± 0.160	-	-	[20]
		-0.076 ± 0.014	0.442 ± 0.022	0.55 ± 0.03	0.30 ± 0.04	[19]
Si	4 → 3	-0.240 ± 0.050	0.810 ± 0.120	-	-	[20]
		-0.130 ± 0.015	0.800 ± 0.033	0.49 ± 0.03	0.53 ± 0.06	[19]
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S	$4 \rightarrow 3$	-0.550 ± 0.06	2.330 ± 0.200	0.22 ± 0.02	3.10 ± 0.36	[18]
		-0.43 ± 0.12	2.310 ± 0.170	-	-	[21]
		-0.462 ± 0.054	1.96 ±0.17	0.23 ± 0.03	2.9 ± 0.5	[19]
Cl	$4 \rightarrow 3$	-0.770 ± 0.40	3.80 ± 1.0	0.16 ± 0.04	5.8 ±1.7	[18]
		-0.94 ± 0.40	3.92 ± 0.99	-	-	[22]
		-1.08 ± 0.22	2.79 ± 0.25	-	-	[21]
Co	5 → 4	-0.099 ± 0.106	0.64 ± 0.25	-	-	[19]
Ni	$5 \rightarrow 4$	-0.180 ± 0.070	0.59 ± 0.21	0.30 ± 0.08	5.9 ±2.3	[20]
		-0.246 ± 0.052	1.23 ± 0.14	-	-	[19]
Cu	$5 \rightarrow 4$	-0.240 ± 0.220	1.650 ± 0.72	0.29 ± 0.11	7.0 ± 3.8	[20]
		-0.377 ± 0.048	1.35 ± 0.17	0.36 ± 0.05	5.1 ± 1.1	[19]
Ag	$6 \rightarrow 5$	-0.18 ± 0.12	1.54 ± 0.58	0.51 ± 0.16	7.3 ±4.7	[19]
Cd	$6 \rightarrow 5$	-0.40 ± 0.10	2.01 ± 0.44	0.57 ± 0.11	6.2 ± 2.8	[19]
In	$6 \rightarrow 5$	-0.53 ± 0.15	2.38 ± 0.57	0.44 ± 0.08	11.4 ± 3.7	[19]
Sn	$6 \rightarrow 5$	-0.41 ± 0.18	3.18 ± 0.64	0.39 ± 0.07	15.1 ± 4.4	[19]
Ho	$7 \rightarrow 6$	-0.30 ± 0.13	2.14 ± 0.31	-	-	[23]
Yb	7 → 6	-0.12 ± 0.10	2.39 ± 0.30	-	-	[23]
Ta	7→6	-0.27 ± 0.50	3.76 ± 1.15	~	-	[23]
Pb	$8 \rightarrow 7$	-	0.37 ± 0.15	0.79 ± 0.08	4.1 ± 2.0	[24]
		-0.020 ± 0.012	-	-	-	[25]
U	8 → 7	-0.26 ± 0.4	1.50 ± 0.75	0.35 ± 0.12	45 ±24	[24]

The available data on "lower levels" have big uncertainties

Many of them are actually UNmeasured

Many of them are hardly compatible among each other

Relative yields with upper levels are not always measured

Absolute yields are basically unknown (except for few transitions)

The REmeasured ones have been proved WRONG

This situation would already be a proper justification for new measurements

What more can we learn from new measurements?



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"Fundamental Physics at the strangeness frontier at DA ΦNE" Workshop INFN-LNF - ONLINE, 25-26/02/2021 80 participants from more than 20 different institutes

Several "strange" topics covered and intense discussion showing that the physics case and the community are strong and sparkling

Focused on DAΦNE, the BEST facility in the world for low energy strangeness experiments

Summary

- Significant progress in understanding kaonic atoms, converging on multinucleon interaction with the nucleus.
- 35-40 years old data have yielded beyond expectations.
- High quality measurements for L=1 kaonic states in ^{3,4}He, ^{6,7}Li, ⁹Be, ^{10,11}B and ¹²C could allow for few-body approaches, connecting to the density dependence in heavier kaonic atoms.
- It is high time for new experiments.

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Conclusions: kaonic atoms calculations

- The microscopic K^-NN model was applied in the calculations of kaonic atoms
- Preliminary results:
 - data are best described by $K^-N + K^-NN$ potentials based on Pauli blocked BCN amplitudes
 - K⁻N + K⁻NN potentials supplemented by a phenomenological term describing 3 and 4 nucleon processes
 - fit to the data suggests that $\text{Re}(K^-N + K^-NN)$ should be more attractive and $\text{Im}(K^-N + K^-NN)$ should be less absorptive

• EXPERIMENT:

- It would be desirable to revise some kaonic atom data
- More data on 3N and 4N absorption fractions are needed

Still....The Kaon Mass Puzzle....

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Kaon masses. Why are they important?

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Introduction

- The π^{\pm} mass accuracy is 1.2×10^{-6} , while for K^{\pm} it is 20 times worse, 2.6×10^{-5} . The same accuracy has been achieved for the K^0 mass.
- The D^0 -meson mass is restricted by the accuracy of $m(K^{\pm})$ and $m(K^0)$. In turn, masses of excited charmed mesons for which direct measurements are not precise, $D_1(2420)^0, D_2^*(2460)^0$ and $D_{s1}(2536)^{\pm}$, are precisely determined from a fit of measured masses and mass differences for D^0 , D^{\pm} and D_s^{\pm} .
- Knowledge of kaon masses affects our understanding of the $\chi_{c1}(3872)$ (X(3872)) nature - the first of X, Y, Z states, discovered by Belle in 2003. Its current explanation – a mixture of regular $c\bar{c}$ and $D^0\bar{D}^{*0}$ molecule. How close is $m(\chi_{c1}(3872))$ to the $D^0 \bar{D}^{*0}$?
- The whole mass scale for charmed hadrons comes from the J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$: $3096.900 \pm 0.002 \pm 0.006$ MeV and $3686.099 \pm 0.004 \pm 0.009$ MeV measured by KEDR in Novosibirsk V.V. Anashin et al., Phys. Lett. B749 (2015) 50

The most precise (incompatible) measurements date back to 1988 and 1991

Kaon mass precision impacts not only in low energy strangeness QCD

For example, D and J/ψ is affected

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Errors can be improved with high precision measurements of "high n levels" of kaonic atoms

Motivations & Scientific case

The main disagreement is between the two most recent and precise measurements (x-ray energies from kaonic atoms):

m_к=493.696±0.007 MeV A.S. Denisov et al. JEPT Lett. 54 (1991)558

K⁻¹²C, crystal diffraction spectrometer (6.3 eV at 22.1 keV), 4f-3d

m_K=493.636±0.011 MeV

K.P. Gall et al.

Phys. Rev. Lett. 60 (1988)186

K⁻Pb, K⁻W; HPGe detector, **K⁻Pb (9 -> 8),**

K⁻Pb (11 -> 10), K⁻W (9 -> 8), K⁻W (11 -> 10)



This puzzle could be addressed, together with the renewal of the kaonic atoms database, again with the recent advancements in radiation detectors.

TES, Bragg Spectrometers, HPGe, SDD, and CdZnTe

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Bragg spectrometers





Von Hamos geometry and mosaic crystals can improve collection efficiency

Photons of different energies are reflected in different positions

With a crystal and a position detector, energy spectra with ultra-high resolution can be obtained

For monochromatic sources, also directionality could be tested



FWHM of few eV with NO COOLING

Energy range between 1-20 keV (n=1, depending on the crystal)

Extremely low efficiencies (solid angle)

Bragg spectrometers: VOXES

Spectrometer developed under CSN5 Young Researcher Grant (2016-2018)



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Table 3 Best achieved resolutions and precisions summary.

Element	$ ho_{c}(mm)$	Parameter	value (eV)	$S'_0/\Delta\theta'(mm,^\circ)$
		$\sigma(K\alpha_{1,2})$	$4,17 \pm 0,16$	0,3/0,24
	77,5	$\delta(K\alpha_1)$	0, 11	0,6/0,44
		$\delta(K\alpha_2)$	0,18	0,6/0,44
		$\sigma(K\alpha_{1,2})$	$4,05 \pm 0,13$	0,3/0,18
Fe	103,4	$\delta(K\alpha_1)$	0,09	0,7/0,34
		$\delta(K \alpha_2)$	0,13	0,7/0,34
		$\sigma(K\alpha_{1,2})$	$4,02 \pm 0,08$	1,1/0,60
	206,7	$\delta(K\alpha_1)$	0,1	1,2/0,70
		$\delta(K\alpha_2)$	0,15	1,2/0,70
		$\sigma(K\alpha_{1,2})$	$6,8 \pm 0,07$	0,3/0,16
	77,5	$\delta(K\alpha_1)$	0,07	0,6/0,32
		$\delta(Klpha_2)$	0,1	0,6/0,32
		$\sigma(K\alpha_{1,2})$	$4,77 \pm 0,05$	0,3/0,16
Cu	103,4	$\delta(K\alpha_1)$	0,04	0,7/0,32
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		$\sigma(K\alpha_{1,2})$	$3,60 \pm 0,05$	0,8/0,60
	206,7	$\delta(K\alpha_1)$	0,04	1, 1/0, 70
		$\delta(K\alpha_2)$	0,07	1,1/0,70
		$\sigma(K\alpha_{1,2})$	$5,15 \pm 0,13$	0,5/0,27
Cu	103,4	$\delta(K\alpha_1)$	0,10	0,6/0,22
		$\delta(K \alpha_2)$	0,21	0,6/0,22
		$\sigma(K\beta)$	$6,02 \pm 0,24$	0,5/0,27
Ni	103,4	$\delta(K\beta)$	0,13	0,6/0,22
		$\sigma(K\alpha_{1,2})$	$6,20 \pm 0,34$	0,5/0,27
Zn	103,4	$\delta(K\alpha_1)$	0,26	0,6/0,22
		$\delta(K\alpha_2)$	0,42	0,6/0,22
		$\sigma(K\alpha_{1,2})$	$21,1\pm 0,8$	1,6/0,80
Mo	77,5	$\delta(K\alpha_1)$	0,6	1,6/0,80
		$\delta(K\alpha_2)$	2,0	1,6/0,80
		$\sigma(K\beta)$	$36,9 \pm 1,3$	1, 6/0, 80
Nb	77,5	$\delta(K\beta)$	1,3	1,6/0,80

High precision measurements with VOXES in LNF Lab

VOXES: (possible) applications in DAΦNE

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Exploiting $DA\Phi NE$

SDDs (4-15 keV) - Light Kaonic Atoms



DA Φ NE delivers almost 4π K⁻

We want to exploit this uniqe beam as much as possible to perform important physics measurements

Transitions: energies and widths...which detector?



SDD: present and future at $DA\Phi NE$



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Kaonic Helium transitions on 1s level would be accessible (very difficult):

 $K^{3}He(2 \rightarrow 1): 33 \text{ keV}$ $K^{4}He(2 \rightarrow 1): 35 \text{ keV}$



Feasibility:

1-2 mm SDDs already financed by INFN CSN3

Electronics is similar to SIDDHARTA-2 SDDs

800µm and 1mm SDDs prototypes already produced by FBK for ARDESIA (INFN)

SIDDHARTA-2 – like setup with 1-2 mm thick SDDs





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Advanced ultra-fast solid STate detectors for high precision RAdiation spectroscopy : ASTRA

Organization legal name	Short name	Activity leader
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Jagiellonian University, Krakow, Poland	UJ	P. Moskal
Laboratori Nazionali di Frascati (LNF) – INFN, Italy	INFN	A. Scordo
Politecnico Milano, Dipartimento di Elettronica, Italy	POLIMI	C. Fiorini
University of Zagreb, Croatia	UNIZG	D. Bosnar

The main objective of the *ASTRA* project is to develop beyond state-of-art ultra-fast CdZnTe/CdTe radiation detector systems for high-precision measurements of gamma- and X-ray events in a broad energy range, **few keV to MeV**.

ASTRA: first outcomes

Advanced ultra-fast solid STate detectors for high precision RAdiation spectroscopy : ASTRA

First prototypes of Cd(Zn)Te delivered by JRA8-ASTRA (STRONG-2020) and tested



CZT: proposal for new measurements at $DA\Phi NE$

Detector Key Points:

- High efficiency in the 20-100 keV region
- Reasonable efficiencies up to 300 keV
- Good resolution (FHWM/E ~ %)
- Fast response and time resolution (< 50 ns)
- No need for cooling
- Compact readout and installation package







Feasibility:

CdTe (and also CdZnTe) detectors developed in the JRA8-ASTRA (STRONG-2020) project

Further prototypes will be available by mid 2023

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K¹²C 3-->2 63 K¹²C 4-->2 85 K¹²C 5-->2 95 K¹²C 6-->2 101 K¹²C 7-->2 104 K¹²C 4-->3 22 K¹²C 5-->3 32 K¹²C 6-->3 38 K¹²C 7-->3 41 Transition E (keV) Element K³²S 4-->3 161 K³²S 5-->4 74

6-->4

7-->4

8-->4

9-->4

10-->4

Transition E (keV)

Element

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K ²⁷ AI	3>2	302
K ²⁷ AI	4>3	106
K ²⁷ AI	5>3	155
K ²⁷ AI	6>3	181
K ²⁷ AI	7>3	197
K ²⁷ AI	8>3	208
K ²⁷ AI	5>4	49
K ²⁷ AI	6>4	76
K ²⁷ AI	7>4	91
K ²⁷ AI	8>4	102
K ²⁷ AI	9>4	109
K ²⁷ AI	10>4	114

KC(3 \rightarrow 2), KAl(3 \rightarrow 2), KS(4 \rightarrow 3):

Precisions < 20 eV (ϵ) and <40 eV (Γ) are reachable in few months

Measurements of several parallel transitions _ new inputs for cascade casculations

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K³²S

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Goal: background and resolution assessment in machine environment (first time)

SIDDHARTA-2 Luminosity Monitor







22/06/2022:

First prototype installed in DAΦNE to check "on beam" response and possible issues









K / MIPs peaks are very well separated with the SIDDHARTA-2 Luminometer

Processing with TAC preserves time resolution and discrimination capabilities

RF/4 is used, causing 4 K/MIPs structures

The request of a TAC signal before a hit on CdZnTe leads to a $\sim 10^{-3}$ background rejection factor



 1.02×10^{6}

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 $K_{TAC}^-, \Delta T < 100 \, ns$

Rejection factors ~10⁶ can be expected

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New Kaon Mass measurement with HPGe

the SIDDHARTA-2 luminometer, which is used as trigger

HPGe detector provided by the group of the University of Zagreb (Croatian Science Foundation project 8570)

obtained with ⁶⁰Co, ¹³³Ba sources :

0.870 keV @ 81 keV 1.106 keV @ 302.9 keV 1.143 keV @ 356 keV 1.167 keV @ 1330 keV

Recent activities and achievements

Installation of HPGe structures and preliminary shielding

Pb target support behind luminomiter

Ge refilling procedure to be done each 7-10 days

Recent activities and achievements

LM signal processed with a Time to Analog Converter (TAC) to select events on HPGe in coincidence with Kin the LM

CONCLUSIONS

- Kaonic atoms measurements are still strongly demanded in the nuclear physics (and not only) community
- DAΦNE is a unique facility in the world to perform such kind of measurements
- There is a plethora of fundamental kaonic atoms transition lines to be measured, with different detectors and techniques
- Many measurements and tests can be carried on in parallel with SIDDHARTA-2
- New experiments with new setups can be proposed (some already have)
- Joint effort between thereticians (ask, calculate, support, approve, endorse) and experimentalists (build strong teams and improve know-how) is crucial