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# High-resolution Kaonic-atom X-ray Spectroscopy with Transition-edge-sensor Microcalorimeters

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$$I(J^P) = \frac{1}{2}(0^-)$$



#### the lightest hadron containing strange quark

anti-Kaon : 
$$\overline{K}$$
 strange  
quark  
 $K^+ = u\overline{s}, \ K^0 = d\overline{s}, \ \overline{K}^0 = \overline{d}\overline{s}, \ K^- = \overline{u}\overline{s},$   
Negative charged Kaon

For charged kaon :

mass	493.677(16) MeV	ex) ~1000 times heavier than electron		
lifetime	~ 12 nsec	ex) ~1/200 times shorter than muon		

# K - Nucleus strong interaction at low energy



Nucleus

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### K - Nucl. interaction at low energy?

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- ➡ (approximative) symmetries are good guidelines to understand the hadron dynamics

quark	mass [MeV]	symmetry		
up	~ 2	chiral	quark mass zero limit	
down	~ 5	symmetry		
strange	~ 100	intermediate		
charm	~ 1,300	heavy-quark	quark mass	
bottom	~ 4,200	symmetry	, infinity	
top	~ 170,000	weak decay w/o forming hadrons		

(K<sup>-</sup> is the lightest hadron containing strange quark.)

 "K<sup>-</sup>-Nucl." systems are suitable testing grounds for investigating the interplay between spontaneous and explicit chiral symmetry breaking.



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- ✓ Neutron star :
- ✓ Origin of mass :

higher density beyond normal nuclearmatter density?

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Why |

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#### **Deeply bound K<sup>-</sup> cluster**

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### do we study the How $\overline{K}$ - Nucl. interaction at low energy?

#### Kaon low-energy scattering experiment is difficult due to the short lifetime (~12 nsec)

### Kaon-nucleus bound states

# Coulomb bound state - Kaonic atom -





principal quantum number

 $n \sim sqrt(M^*/m_e) \sim 25$ (M\* : K-p reduced mass ~ 323 MeV)



### Kaonic atom

### 3) Strong interaction



### 4) nuclear absorption



How we observe the strong interaction ?



### Data & a theory for $Z \ge 2$ K-atom

#### Shift and width for last orbit



Plot w/error bar ... experimental data

Solid line ... a theoretical calc.

S.Hirenzaki, Y.Okumura, H.Toki, E.Oset, and A.Ramos Phys. Rev. C 61 055205 (2000)

# Two theoretical approaches







Next-generation K-atom experiment

### Next-generation K-atom exp.

#### 1. Crystal spectrometer



pionic atom exp. : D. Gotta (Trento'06)

#### 2. Microcalorimeter



W.B. Doriese, TES Workshop @ ASC (Portland), Oct 8, 2012

-> small acceptance

### Why TES Microcalorimeter ?

### **1. High collection efficiency**

- Multi device (Array)
- Large absorber

### 2. Compact and portable

limited beam time, then need to remove (at J-PARC, DAΦNE etc.)

### NISTTES array system



... a typical Silicon detector

used in the previous K-atom exp.

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REF: talk by Daniel Swetz (NIST) on Wednesday in this LTD-15 conf.

### J-PARC (Japan)

J-PARC @ Tokai

· 120 km from Tokyo

### J-PARC (Japan)

Japan Proton Accelerator Research Complex = J-PARC



## J-PARC (Japan)







### Side view (from downstream)





### A simple simulation

by H.Tatsuno

K-<sup>4</sup>He x-rays from Liq. <sup>4</sup>He Top view-100 TES: 5eV FWHM 90 TES (Bi 20 mm<sup>2</sup>, 5 um thick) 80 6cm 70 Counts / 1 eV Silicon Drift Detector(SDD) : 60 K- beam 190 eV FWHM Compton **50**F (Si 100 mm<sup>2</sup>, 400um thick) scattered **40** X-rays 30 Liq. He (~ 0.1 L) 20 10

Both have been serious problems in the prev. experiments.



### Rough estimation of stat. accuracy

	K-4He Kα events	detector resolution (FWHM)	stat. accuracy of determining the central value of 6 keV
KEK-E570 with SDD	1500 events	190 eV	<b>2 eV</b> = 190 / 2.35 / sqrt(1500)
TES Microcalorimeter	100 events (~ 4-day beam)	2 eV	0.09 eV
		3 eV	<b>0.13 eV</b> = 3 / 2.35 / sqrt(100)
		4 eV	0.17 eV



most fundamental quantity



Kaon mass is essential to determine the stronginteraction shift with 0.1-eV order of magnitude.  $(\Delta m = 16 \text{ keV} \rightarrow EM \text{ value for K-He La} = 0.15 \text{ eV})$  $(\Delta m = 2.5 \text{ keV} \rightarrow EM \text{ value for K-He La} = 0.03 \text{ eV})$ 

### Summary of Kaonic atom study

nucleus

#### strong-interaction study

Small n

the most tightly bound energy levels that are the most perturbed by the strong force

Large n

#### Kaon mass

the higher orbit having almost no influence on the strong interaction

### Rough yield estimation

		Acceptance (including x-ray attenuation)	Number of stopped kaon	Absolute x-ray yield / stopped K	Time	X-ray counts
prev. experiment (KEK-PS E570 2nd cycle)		0.126% / 7SDDs	~300/spill (2sec)	~8%	272 hours	1700 w/o cuts (including trigger condition ~40%)
TES J-PARC (30kW)	Не	0.024%	~300?/spill (2sec) duty ~45%	~8%	~4 days	130
	C	~0.01% self attenuation	~2000?/spill (2sec) duty ~45%	~17%	~1 weeks	2500

-> reasonable beam time



## Summary

Inext-generation K-atom exp. with NIST TES array having great performance of 2~3 eV (FWHM) resolution @ 6keV

open new door to investigate K-nucleus strong interaction

has potential to resolve a long-standing <u>"deep" or "shallow" problem</u> of the K-atom optical potential depth

provide new accurate charged kaon mass value (being also essential to determine the energy shift of K-<sup>4</sup>He atom)

future perspective

- 2013 : test experiment without beam (evaluation of basic performance)
- 2014 : test experiment with beam and preparation of Lol / proposal
- ► 2015 or later : the first experiment