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Λ MASS

The fit uses Λ , Σ^+ , Σ^0 , Σ^- mass and mass-difference measurements.

VALUE (MeV)	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
1115.683±0.006 OUR FIT				
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1115.678±0.006±0.006	20k	HARTOUNI	94	SPEC $p p$ 27.5 GeV/c
1115.690±0.008±0.006	18k	¹ HARTOUNI	94	SPEC $p p$ 27.5 GeV/c
• • • We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. • • •				
1115.59 ± 0.08	935	HYMAN	72	HEBC
1115.39 ± 0.12	195	MAYEUR	67	EMUL
1115.6 ± 0.4		LONDON	66	HBC
1115.65 ± 0.07	488	² SCHMIDT	65	HBC
1115.44 ± 0.12		³ BHOWMIK	63	RVUE

¹ We assume *CPT* invariance: this is the $\bar{\Lambda}$ mass as measured by HARTOUNI 94. See below for the fractional mass difference, testing *CPT*.

² The SCHMIDT 65 masses have been reevaluated using our April 1973 proton and K^\pm and π^\pm masses. P. Schmidt, private communication (1974).

³ The mass has been raised 35 keV to take into account a 46 keV increase in the proton mass and an 11 keV decrease in the π^\pm mass (note added Reviews of Modern Physics **39** 1 (1967)).

$$(m_\Lambda - m_{\bar{\Lambda}}) / m_\Lambda$$

A test of *CPT* invariance.

VALUE (units 10^{-5})	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
- 0.1 ± 1.1 OUR AVERAGE				
		Error includes scale factor of 1.6.		
+ 1.3 ± 1.2	31k	⁴ RYBICKI	96	NA32 π^- Cu, 230 GeV
- 1.08 ± 0.90		HARTOUNI	94	SPEC $p p$ 27.5 GeV/c
4.5 ± 5.4		CHIEN	66	HBC 6.9 GeV/c $\bar{p}p$
• • • We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. • • •				
-26 ± 13		BADIER	67	HBC 2.4 GeV/c $\bar{p}p$

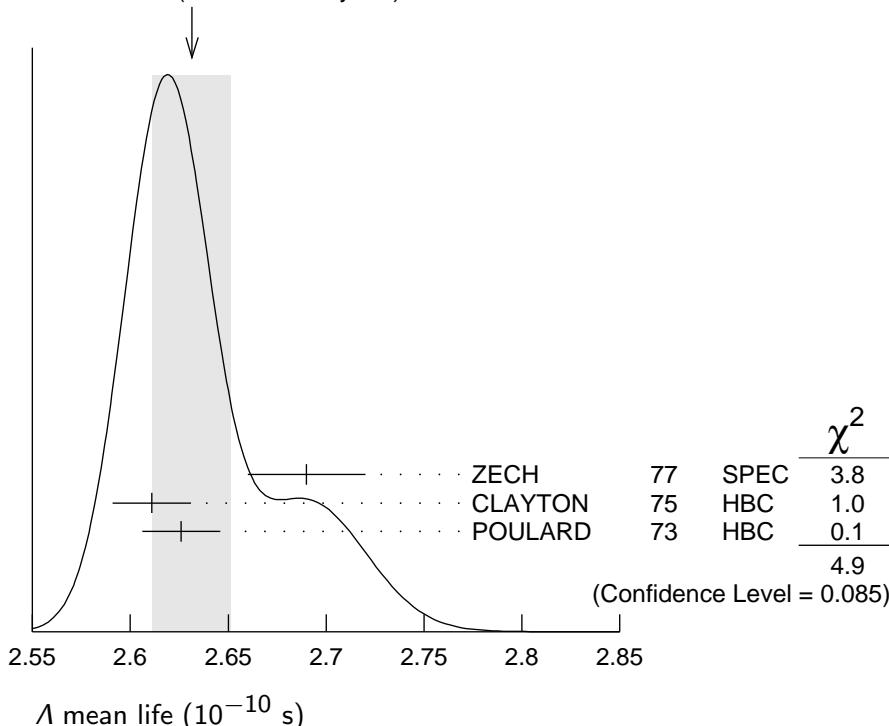
⁴ RYBICKI 96 is an analysis of old ACCMOR (NA32) data.

Λ MEAN LIFE

Measurements with an error $\geq 0.1 \times 10^{-10}$ s have been omitted altogether, and only the latest high-statistics measurements are used for the average.

VALUE (10^{-10} s)	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
2.631±0.020 OUR AVERAGE	Error includes scale factor of 1.6. See the ideogram below.			
2.69 ± 0.03	53k	ZECH	77	SPEC Neutral hyperon beam
2.611±0.020	34k	CLAYTON	75	HBC 0.96–1.4 GeV/c $K^- p$
2.626±0.020	36k	POULARD	73	HBC 0.4–2.3 GeV/c $K^- p$
• • • We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. • • •				
2.69 ± 0.05	6582	ALTHOFF	73B	OSPK $\pi^+ n \rightarrow \Lambda K^+$
2.54 ± 0.04	4572	BALTAY	71B	HBC $K^- p$ at rest
2.535±0.035	8342	GRIMM	68	HBC
2.47 ± 0.08	2600	HEPP	68	HBC
2.35 ± 0.09	916	BURAN	66	HLBC
2.452 ^{+0.056} _{-0.054}	2213	ENGELMANN	66	HBC
2.59 ± 0.09	794	HUBBARD	64	HBC
2.59 ± 0.07	1378	SCHWARTZ	64	HBC
2.36 ± 0.06	2239	BLOCK	63	HEBC

WEIGHTED AVERAGE
2.631±0.020 (Error scaled by 1.6)



$(\tau_\Lambda - \tau_{\bar{\Lambda}}) / \tau_\Lambda$

A test of *CPT* invariance.

VALUE	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
-0.001 ±0.009 OUR AVERAGE			
-0.0018±0.0066±0.0056	BARNES 96	CNTR	LEAR $\bar{p}p \rightarrow \bar{\Lambda}\Lambda$
0.044 ±0.085	BADIER 67	HBC	2.4 GeV/c $\bar{p}p$

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Λ MAGNETIC MOMENT

See the “Note on Baryon Magnetic Moments” above. Measurements with an error $\geq 0.15 \mu_N$ have been omitted.

VALUE (μ_N)	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
-0.613 ±0.004 OUR AVERAGE				
-0.606 ±0.015	200k	COX 81	SPEC	
-0.6138±0.0047	3M	SCHACHIN...	78	SPEC
-0.59 ±0.07	350k	HELLER 77	SPEC	
-0.57 ±0.05	1.2M	BUNCE 76	SPEC	
-0.66 ±0.07	1300	DAHL-JENSEN 71	EMUL	200 kG field

Λ ELECTRIC DIPOLE MOMENT

A nonzero value is forbidden by both *T* invariance and *P* invariance.

VALUE (10^{-16} e-cm)	CL%	DOCUMENT ID	TECN
< 1.5	95	5 PONDROM 81	SPEC
• • • We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. • • •			
<100	95	6 BARONI 71	EMUL
<500	95	GIBSON 66	EMUL

⁵ PONDROM 81 measures $(-3.0 \pm 7.4) \times 10^{-17}$ e-cm.
⁶ BARONI 71 measures $(-5.9 \pm 2.9) \times 10^{-15}$ e-cm.

Λ DECAY MODES

Mode	Fraction (Γ_i/Γ)
$\Gamma_1 p\pi^-$	(63.9 ±0.5) %
$\Gamma_2 n\pi^0$	(35.8 ±0.5) %
$\Gamma_3 n\gamma$	(1.75±0.15) × 10 ⁻³
$\Gamma_4 p\pi^-\gamma$	[a] (8.4 ±1.4) × 10 ⁻⁴
$\Gamma_5 pe^-\bar{\nu}_e$	(8.32±0.14) × 10 ⁻⁴
$\Gamma_6 p\mu^-\bar{\nu}_\mu$	(1.57±0.35) × 10 ⁻⁴

[a] See the Listings below for the pion momentum range used in this measurement.

CONSTRAINED FIT INFORMATION

An overall fit to 5 branching ratios uses 20 measurements and one constraint to determine 5 parameters. The overall fit has a $\chi^2 = 10.5$ for 16 degrees of freedom.

The following *off-diagonal* array elements are the correlation coefficients $\langle \delta x_i \delta x_j \rangle / (\delta x_i \cdot \delta x_j)$, in percent, from the fit to the branching fractions, $x_i \equiv \Gamma_i / \Gamma_{\text{total}}$. The fit constrains the x_i whose labels appear in this array to sum to one.

x_2	-100			
x_3	-2	-1		
x_5	46	-46	-1	
x_6	0	0	0	0
	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_5

Λ BRANCHING RATIOS

$\Gamma(p\pi^-)/\Gamma(N\pi)$

VALUE	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT	$\Gamma_1/(\Gamma_1+\Gamma_2)$
0.641 ± 0.005 OUR FIT					
0.640 ± 0.005 OUR AVERAGE					
0.646 \pm 0.008	4572	BALTAY	71B	HBC	$K^- p$ at rest
0.635 \pm 0.007	6736	DOYLE	69	HBC	$\pi^- p \rightarrow \Lambda K^0$
0.643 \pm 0.016	903	HUMPHREY	62	HBC	
0.624 \pm 0.030		CRAWFORD	59B	HBC	$\pi^- p \rightarrow \Lambda K^0$

$\Gamma(n\pi^0)/\Gamma(N\pi)$

VALUE	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	$\Gamma_2/(\Gamma_1+\Gamma_2)$
0.359 ± 0.005 OUR FIT				
0.310 ± 0.028 OUR AVERAGE				
0.35 \pm 0.05		BROWN	63	HLBC
0.291 \pm 0.034	75	CHRETIEN	63	HLBC

$\Gamma(n\gamma)/\Gamma_{\text{total}}$

VALUE (units 10^{-3})	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT	Γ_3/Γ
1.75 ± 0.15 OUR FIT					
1.75 ± 0.15	1816	LARSON	93	SPEC $K^- p$ at rest	
$\bullet \bullet \bullet$ We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. $\bullet \bullet \bullet$					
1.78 \pm 0.24 $^{+0.14}_{-0.16}$	287	NOBLE	92	SPEC See LARSON 93	

$\Gamma(n\gamma)/\Gamma(n\pi^0)$

VALUE (units 10^{-3})	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT	Γ_3/Γ_2
$\bullet \bullet \bullet$ We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. $\bullet \bullet \bullet$					
2.86 \pm 0.74 \pm 0.57	24	BIAGI	86	SPEC SPS hyperon beam	

$\Gamma(p\pi^-\gamma)/\Gamma(p\pi^-)$

<u>VALUE (units 10^{-3})</u>	<u>EVTS</u>
1.32 ± 0.22	72

 Γ_4/Γ_1

<u>DOCUMENT ID</u>	<u>TECN</u>	<u>COMMENT</u>
BAGGETT	72C	HBC $\pi^- < 95 \text{ MeV}/c$

 $\Gamma(pe^-\bar{\nu}_e)/\Gamma(p\pi^-)$

<u>VALUE (units 10^{-3})</u>	<u>EVTS</u>
1.301 ± 0.019 OUR FIT	

 1.301 ± 0.019 OUR AVERAGE

1.335 ± 0.056	7111
1.313 ± 0.024	10k
1.23 ± 0.11	544
1.27 ± 0.07	1089
1.31 ± 0.06	1078
1.17 ± 0.13	86
1.20 ± 0.12	143
1.17 ± 0.18	120
1.23 ± 0.20	150

 Γ_5/Γ_1

<u>DOCUMENT ID</u>	<u>TECN</u>	<u>COMMENT</u>

• • • We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. • • •

1.32 ± 0.15	218	⁷ LINDQUIST	71	OSPK	See LINDQUIST 77
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⁷ Changed by us from $\Gamma(pe^-\bar{\nu}_e)/\Gamma(N\pi)$ assuming the authors used $\Gamma(p\pi^-)/\Gamma_{\text{total}} = 2/3$.

⁸ Changed by us from $\Gamma(pe^-\bar{\nu}_e)/\Gamma(N\pi)$ because $\Gamma(pe^-\nu)/\Gamma(p\pi^-)$ is the directly measured quantity.

 $\Gamma(p\mu^-\bar{\nu}_\mu)/\Gamma(N\pi)$ $\Gamma_6/(\Gamma_1+\Gamma_2)$

<u>VALUE (units 10^{-4})</u>	<u>EVTS</u>
1.57 ± 0.35 OUR FIT	

 1.57 ± 0.35 OUR AVERAGE

1.4 ± 0.5	14	BAGGETT	72B	HBC	$K^- p$ at rest
2.4 ± 0.8	9	CANTER	71B	HBC	$K^- p$ at rest
1.3 ± 0.7	3	LIND	64	RVUE	
1.5 ± 1.2	2	RONNE	64	FBC	

 Λ DECAY PARAMETERS

See the "Note on Baryon Decay Parameters" in the neutron Listings. Some early results have been omitted.

 α_- FOR $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-$

<u>VALUE</u>	<u>EVTS</u>
0.642 ± 0.013 OUR AVERAGE	

<u>DOCUMENT ID</u>	<u>TECN</u>	<u>COMMENT</u>
ASTBURY	75	SPEC
CLELAND	72	OSPK
DAUBER	69	HBC From Ξ decay
OVERSETH	67	OSPK Λ from $\pi^- p$
CRONIN	63	CNTR Λ from $\pi^- p$

ϕ ANGLE FOR $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-$

VALUE (°)	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
= 6.5 ± 3.5 OUR AVERAGE				
- 7.0 ± 4.5	10325	CLELAND	72	OSPK Λ from $\pi^- p$
- 8.0 ± 6.0	10130	OVERSETH	67	OSPK Λ from $\pi^- p$
13.0 ± 17.0	1156	CRONIN	63	OSPK Λ from $\pi^- p$

 $\alpha_0 / \alpha_- = \alpha(\Lambda \rightarrow n\pi^0) / \alpha(\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-)$

VALUE	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
1.01 ± 0.07 OUR AVERAGE				
1.000 ± 0.068	4760	⁹ OLSEN	70	OSPK $\pi^+ n \rightarrow \Lambda K^+$
1.10 ± 0.27		CORK	60	CNTR

⁹ OLSEN 70 compares proton and neutron distributions from Λ decay.

 $[\alpha_-(\Lambda) + \alpha_+(\bar{\Lambda})] / [\alpha_-(\Lambda) - \alpha_+(\bar{\Lambda})]$

Zero if CP is conserved; α_- and α_+ are the asymmetry parameters for $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-$ and $\bar{\Lambda} \rightarrow \bar{p}\pi^+$ decay. See also the Ξ^- for a similar test involving the decay chain $\Xi^- \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^-$, $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-$ and the corresponding antiparticle chain.

VALUE	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
0.012 ± 0.021 OUR AVERAGE				
+ 0.013 ± 0.022	96k	BARNES	96	CNTR LEAR $\bar{p}p \rightarrow \bar{\Lambda}\Lambda$
+ 0.01 ± 0.10	770	TIXIER	88	DM2 $J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda\bar{\Lambda}$
- 0.02 ± 0.14	10k	¹⁰ CHAUVAT	85	CNTR $p\bar{p}, \bar{p}p$ ISR

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VALUE	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
- 0.07 ± 0.09	4063	BARNES	87	CNTR See BARNES 96

¹⁰ CHAUVAT 85 actually gives $\alpha_+(\bar{\Lambda})/\alpha_-(\Lambda) = -1.04 \pm 0.29$. Assumes polarization is same in $\bar{p}p \rightarrow \bar{\Lambda}X$ and $p\bar{p} \rightarrow \Lambda X$. Tests of this assumption, based on C -invariance and fragmentation, are satisfied by the data.

 g_A / g_V FOR $\Lambda \rightarrow pe^-\bar{\nu}_e$

Measurements with fewer than 500 events have been omitted. Where necessary, signs have been changed to agree with our conventions, which are given in the “Note on Baryon Decay Parameters” in the neutron Listings. The measurements all assume that the form factor $g_2 = 0$. See also the footnote on DWORKIN 90.

VALUE	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
-0.718 ± 0.015 OUR AVERAGE				
- 0.719 ± 0.016 ± 0.012	37k	¹¹ DWORKIN	90	SPEC $e\nu$ angular corr.
- 0.70 ± 0.03	7111	BOURQUIN	83	SPEC $\Xi \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^-$
- 0.734 ± 0.031	10k	¹² WISE	81	SPEC $e\nu$ angular correl.

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VALUE	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
- 0.63 ± 0.06	817	ALTHOFF	73	OSPK Polarized Λ

¹¹ The tabulated result assumes the weak-magnetism coupling $w \equiv g_W(0)/g_V(0)$ to be 0.97, as given by the CVC hypothesis and as assumed by the other listed measurements. However, DWORKIN 90 measures w to be 0.15 ± 0.30 , and then $g_A/g_V = -0.731 \pm 0.016$.

¹² This experiment measures only the absolute value of g_A/g_V .

A REFERENCES

We have omitted some papers that have been superseded by later experiments. See our earlier editions.

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RYBICKI	96	APP B27 2155	K. Rybicki	
HARTOUNI	94	PRL 72 1322	E.P. Hartouni <i>et al.</i>	(BNL E766 Collab.)
Also		PRL 72 2821 (erratum)	E.P. Hartouni <i>et al.</i>	(BNL E766 Collab.)
LARSON	93	PR D47 799	K.D. Larson <i>et al.</i>	(BNL-811 Collab.)
NOBLE	92	PRL 69 414	A.J. Noble <i>et al.</i>	(BIRM, BOST, BRCO+)
DWORKIN	90	PR D41 780	J. Dworkin <i>et al.</i>	(MICH, WISC, RUTG+)
TIXIER	88	PL B212 523	M.H. Tixier <i>et al.</i>	(DM2 Collab.)
BARNES	87	PL B199 147	P.D. Barnes <i>et al.</i>	(CMU, SACL, LANL+)
BIAGI	86	ZPHY C30 201	S.F. Biagi <i>et al.</i>	(BRIS, CERN, GEVA+)
CHAUVAT	85	PL 163B 273	P. Chauvat <i>et al.</i>	(CERN, CLER, UCLA+)
BOURQUIN	83	ZPHY C21 1	M.H. Bourquin <i>et al.</i>	(BRIS, GEVA, HEIDP+)
COX	81	PRL 46 877	P.T. Cox <i>et al.</i>	(MICH, WISC, RUTG, MINN+)
PONDROM	81	PR D23 814	L. Pondrom <i>et al.</i>	(WISC, MICH, RUTG+)
WISE	81	PL 98B 123	J.E. Wise <i>et al.</i>	(MASA, BNL)
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SCHACHIN...	78	PRL 41 1348	L. Schachinger <i>et al.</i>	(MICH, RUTG, WISC)
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ASTBURY	75	NP B99 30	P. Astbury <i>et al.</i>	(LOIC, CERN, ETH+)
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ALTHOFF	73	PL 43B 237	K.H. Althoff <i>et al.</i>	(CERN, HEID)
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CLELAND	72	NP B40 221	W.E. Cleland <i>et al.</i>	(CERN, GEVA, LUND)
HYMAN	72	PR D5 1063	L.G. Hyman <i>et al.</i>	(ANL, CMU)
ALTHOFF	71	PL 37B 531	K.H. Althoff <i>et al.</i>	(CERN, HEID)
BALTAY	71B	PR D4 670	C. Baltay <i>et al.</i>	(COLU, BING)
BARONI	71	LNC 2 1256	G. Baroni, S. Petrera, G. Romano	(ROMA)
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MALONEY	69	PRL 23 425	J.E. Maloney, B. Sechi-Zorn	(UMD)
GRIMM	68	NC 54A 187	H.J. Grimm	(HEID)
HEPP	68	ZPHY 214 71	V. Hepp, H. Schleich	(HEID)
BADIER	67	PL 25B 152	J. Badier <i>et al.</i>	(EPOL)
MAYEUR	67	U.Libr.Brx.Bul. 32	C. Mayeur, E. Tompa, J.H. Wickens	(BELG, LOUC)
OVERSETH	67	PRL 19 391	O.E. Overseth, R.F. Roth	(MICH, PRIN)
PDG	67	RMP 39 1	A.H. Rosenfeld <i>et al.</i>	(LRL, CERN, YALE)
BURAN	66	PL 20 318	T. Buran <i>et al.</i>	(OSLO)
CHIEN	66	PR 152 1171	C.Y. Chien <i>et al.</i>	(YALE, BNL)
ENGELMANN	66	NC 45A 1038	R. Engelmann <i>et al.</i>	(HEID, REHO)
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