



$$I(J^P) = \frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}^+) \text{ Status: } ****$$

The parity has not actually been measured, but + is of course expected.

Ξ^0 MASS

The fit uses the Ξ^0 , Ξ^- , and Ξ^+ masses and the $\Xi^- - \Xi^0$ mass difference. It assumes that the Ξ^- and Ξ^+ masses are the same.

VALUE (MeV)	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
1314.86 ± 0.20 OUR FIT				
1314.82 ± 0.06 ± 0.20	3120	FANTI	00	NA48 p Be, 450 GeV
● ● ● We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. ● ● ●				
1315.2 ± 0.92	49	WILQUET	72	HLBC
1313.4 ± 1.8	1	PALMER	68	HBC

$m_{\Xi^-} - m_{\Xi^0}$

The fit uses the Ξ^0 , Ξ^- , and Ξ^+ masses and the $\Xi^- - \Xi^0$ mass difference. It assumes that the Ξ^- and Ξ^+ masses are the same.

VALUE (MeV)	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
6.85 ± 0.21 OUR FIT				
6.3 ± 0.7 OUR AVERAGE				
6.9 ± 2.2	29	LONDON	66	HBC
6.1 ± 0.9	88	PJERROU	65B	HBC
6.8 ± 1.6	23	JAUNEAU	63	FBC
● ● ● We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. ● ● ●				
6.1 ± 1.6	45	CARMONY	64B	HBC See PJERROU 65B

Ξ^0 MEAN LIFE

VALUE (10^{-10} s)	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
2.90 ± 0.09 OUR AVERAGE				
2.83 ± 0.16	6300	¹ ZECH	77	SPEC Neutral hyperon beam
2.88 ^{+0.21} _{-0.19}	652	BALTAY	74	HBC 1.75 GeV/c $K^- p$
2.90 ^{+0.32} _{-0.27}	157	² MAYEUR	72	HLBC 2.1 GeV/c K^-
3.07 ^{+0.22} _{-0.20}	340	DAUBER	69	HBC
3.0 ± 0.5	80	PJERROU	65B	HBC
2.5 ^{+0.4} _{-0.3}	101	HUBBARD	64	HBC
3.9 ^{+1.4} _{-0.8}	24	JAUNEAU	63	FBC
● ● ● We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. ● ● ●				
3.5 ^{+1.0} _{-0.8}	45	CARMONY	64B	HBC See PJERROU 65B

¹The ZECH 77 result is $\tau_{\Xi^0} = [2.77 - (\tau_{\Lambda} - 2.69)] \times 10^{-10}$ s, in which we use $\tau_{\Lambda} = 2.63 \times 10^{-10}$ s.

²The MAYEUR 72 value is modified by the erratum.

Ξ^0 MAGNETIC MOMENT

See the “Quark Model” review.

VALUE (μ_N)	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN
-1.250 ± 0.014 OUR AVERAGE			
-1.253 ± 0.014	270k	COX	81 SPEC
-1.20 ± 0.06	42k	BUNCE	79 SPEC

Ξ^0 DECAY MODES

Mode	Fraction (Γ_i/Γ)	Confidence level
$\Gamma_1 \Lambda\pi^0$	$(99.524 \pm 0.012) \%$	
$\Gamma_2 \Lambda\gamma$	$(1.17 \pm 0.07) \times 10^{-3}$	
$\Gamma_3 \Lambda e^+ e^-$	$(7.6 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-6}$	
$\Gamma_4 \Sigma^0\gamma$	$(3.33 \pm 0.10) \times 10^{-3}$	
$\Gamma_5 \Sigma^+ e^- \bar{\nu}_e$	$(2.52 \pm 0.08) \times 10^{-4}$	
$\Gamma_6 \Sigma^+ \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu$	$(2.33 \pm 0.35) \times 10^{-6}$	

$\Delta S = \Delta Q$ (SQ) violating modes or $\Delta S = 2$ forbidden (S2) modes

$\Gamma_7 \Sigma^- e^+ \nu_e$	SQ	< 1.6	$\times 10^{-4}$	90%
$\Gamma_8 \Sigma^- \mu^+ \nu_\mu$	SQ	< 9	$\times 10^{-4}$	90%
$\Gamma_9 p\pi^-$	S2	< 8	$\times 10^{-6}$	90%
$\Gamma_{10} p e^- \bar{\nu}_e$	S2	< 1.3	$\times 10^{-3}$	
$\Gamma_{11} p \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu$	S2	< 1.3	$\times 10^{-3}$	
$\Gamma_{12} K^- e^+$				
$\Gamma_{13} K^+ e^-$				

CONSTRAINED FIT INFORMATION

An overall fit to 5 branching ratios uses 11 measurements and one constraint to determine 5 parameters. The overall fit has a $\chi^2 = 7.5$ for 7 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	-57			
x_4	-82	0		
x_5	-7	0	0	
x_6	0	0	0	1
	x_1	x_2	x_4	x_5

Ξ^0 BRANCHING RATIOS

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

 Γ_2/Γ_1

VALUE (units 10^{-3})	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
1.17±0.07 OUR FIT				
1.17±0.07 OUR AVERAGE				
1.17±0.05±0.06	672	¹ LAI	04A NA48	p Be, 450 GeV
1.91±0.34±0.19	31	² FANTI	00 NA48	p Be, 450 GeV
1.06±0.12±0.11	116	JAMES	90 SPEC	FNAL hyperons

¹ LAI 04A used our 2002 value of 99.5% for the $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^0$ branching fraction to get $\Gamma(\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\gamma)/\Gamma_{\text{total}} = (1.16 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.06) \times 10^{-3}$. We adjust slightly to go back to what was directly measured.

² FANTI 00 used our 1998 value of 99.5% for the $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^0$ branching fraction to get $\Gamma(\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\gamma)/\Gamma_{\text{total}} = (1.90 \pm 0.34 \pm 0.19) \times 10^{-3}$. We adjust slightly to go back to what was directly measured.

$\Gamma(\Lambda e^+ e^-)/\Gamma_{\text{total}}$

 Γ_3/Γ

VALUE (units 10^{-6})	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
7.6±0.4±0.5	397 ± 21	¹ BATLEY	07C NA48	p Be, 400 GeV

¹ This BATLEY 07C result is consistent with internal bremsstrahlung.

$\Gamma(\Sigma^0\gamma)/\Gamma(\Lambda\pi^0)$

 Γ_4/Γ_1

VALUE (units 10^{-3})	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
3.35±0.10 OUR FIT				
3.35±0.10 OUR AVERAGE				
3.34±0.05±0.09	4045	ALAVI-HARATI01C	KTEV	p nucleus, 800 GeV
3.16±0.76±0.32	17	¹ FANTI	00 NA48	p Be, 450 GeV
3.56±0.42±0.10	85	TEIGE	89 SPEC	FNAL hyperons

¹ FANTI 00 used our 1998 value of 99.5% for the $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^0$ branching fraction to get $\Gamma(\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Sigma^0\gamma)/\Gamma_{\text{total}} = (3.14 \pm 0.76 \pm 0.32) \times 10^{-3}$. We adjust slightly to go back to what was directly measured.

$\Gamma(\Sigma^+ e^- \bar{\nu}_e)/\Gamma_{\text{total}}$

 Γ_5/Γ

VALUE (units 10^{-4})	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
2.52±0.08 OUR FIT				
2.53±0.08 OUR AVERAGE				
2.51±0.03±0.09	6101	BATLEY	07 NA48	p Be, 400 GeV
2.55±0.14±0.10	419	¹ BATLEY	07 NA48	p Be, 400 GeV
2.71±0.22±0.31	176	AFFOLDER	99 KTEV	p nucleus, 800 GeV

¹ This BATLEY 07 result is for $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \bar{\Sigma}^- e^+ \nu_e$ events.

$\Gamma(\Sigma^+ \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu)/\Gamma_{\text{total}}$ Γ_6/Γ

VALUE (units 10^{-6})	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
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2.3 ± 0.4 OUR FIT**2.17 ± 0.32 ± 0.17** 66 ¹ BATLEY 13 NA48 p Be, 400 GeV

¹ BATLEY 13 used $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Sigma^+ e^- \bar{\nu}_e$ decay as a normalization mode and its branching fraction value of $(2.51 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.09) \times 10^{-4}$ from BATLEY 07.

 $\Gamma(\Sigma^+ \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu)/\Gamma(\Sigma^+ e^- \bar{\nu}_e)$ Γ_6/Γ_5

VALUE	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
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0.0092 ± 0.0015 OUR FIT**0.018 $^{+0.007}_{-0.005}$ ± 0.002** 9 ABOUZAID 05 KTEV p nucleus 800 GeV $\Gamma(\Sigma^- e^+ \nu_e)/\Gamma_{\text{total}}$ Γ_7/Γ

VALUE	CL%	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
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< 1.6 × 10⁻⁴ 90 ABLIKIM 23B BES3 $J/\psi \rightarrow \Xi^0 \Xi^0$ $\Gamma(\Sigma^- e^+ \nu_e)/\Gamma(\Lambda\pi^0)$ Γ_7/Γ_1 Test of $\Delta S = \Delta Q$ rule.

VALUE (units 10^{-3})	CL%	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
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• • • We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. • • •

< 0.9	90	YEH	74	HBC	Effective denom.=2500
< 1.5		DAUBER	69	HBC	
< 6		HUBBARD	66	HBC	

 $\Gamma(\Sigma^- \mu^+ \nu_\mu)/\Gamma(\Lambda\pi^0)$ Γ_8/Γ_1 Test of $\Delta S = \Delta Q$ rule.

VALUE (units 10^{-3})	CL%	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
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< 0.9 90 YEH 74 HBC Effective denom.=2500

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

< 1.5		DAUBER	69	HBC	
< 6		HUBBARD	66	HBC	

 $\Gamma(p\pi^-)/\Gamma(\Lambda\pi^0)$ Γ_9/Γ_1 $\Delta S=2$. Forbidden in first-order weak interaction.

VALUE (units 10^{-6})	CL%	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
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< 8.2 90 WHITE 05 HYCP p Cu, 800 GeV

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

< 36	90	GEWENIGER	75	SPEC	
< 1800	90	YEH	74	HBC	Effective denom.=1300
< 900		DAUBER	69	HBC	
< 5000		HUBBARD	66	HBC	

 $\Gamma(p e^- \bar{\nu}_e)/\Gamma(\Lambda\pi^0)$ Γ_{10}/Γ_1 $\Delta S=2$. Forbidden in first-order weak interaction.

VALUE (units 10^{-3})	CL%	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
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< 1.3 DAUBER 69 HBC

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

< 3.4	90	YEH	74	HBC	Effective denom.=670
< 6		HUBBARD	66	HBC	

$\Gamma(p\mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu)/\Gamma(\Lambda\pi^0)$ Γ_{11}/Γ_1 $\Delta S=2$. Forbidden in first-order weak interaction.

VALUE (units 10^{-3})	CL%	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
<1.3		DAUBER	69	HBC
• • • We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. • • •				
<3.5	90	YEH	74	HBC Effective denom.=664
<6		HUBBARD	66	HBC

 $\Gamma(K^- e^+)/\Gamma_{\text{total}}$ Γ_{12}/Γ

VALUE	CL%	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
< 3.6×10^{-6}	90	¹ ABLIKIM	23AP BES3	$J/\psi \rightarrow \Xi^0 \Xi^0$

¹ This decay mode violates baryon and lepton number conservation with $\Delta(B-L) = 0$. $\Gamma(K^+ e^-)/\Gamma_{\text{total}}$ Γ_{13}/Γ

VALUE	CL%	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
< 1.9×10^{-6}	90	¹ ABLIKIM	23AP BES3	$J/\psi \rightarrow \Xi^0 \Xi^0$

¹ This decay mode violates baryon and lepton number conservation with $|\Delta(B-L)|=2$. **Ξ^0 DECAY PARAMETERS**

See the "Note on Baryon Decay Parameters" in the neutron Listings.

 $\alpha(\Xi^0) \alpha_-(\Lambda)$ This is a product of the $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^0$ and $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-$ asymmetries.

VALUE	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
-0.261 ± 0.006 OUR AVERAGE				
$-0.276 \pm 0.001 \pm 0.035$	4M	BATLEY	10B NA48	p Be, 400 GeV
$-0.260 \pm 0.004 \pm 0.005$	300k	HANDLER	82 SPEC	FNAL hyperons
• • • We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. • • •				
-0.317 ± 0.027	6075	BUNCE	78 SPEC	FNAL hyperons
-0.35 ± 0.06	505	BALTAY	74 HBC	$K^- p$ 1.75 GeV/c
-0.28 ± 0.06	739	DAUBER	69 HBC	$K^- p$ 1.7–2.6 GeV/c

 α FOR $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^0$ The PDG 22 average $\alpha(\Xi^0)\alpha_-(\Lambda) = -0.261 \pm 0.006$ divided by the PDG 22 average $\alpha_-(\Lambda) = 0.748 \pm 0.007$ gives $\alpha(\Xi^0) = -0.349 \pm 0.009$.

VALUE	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
-0.349 ± 0.009 OUR EVALUATION				
$-0.3750 \pm 0.0034 \pm 0.0016$	327k	ABLIKIM	23AU BES3	$J/\psi \rightarrow \Xi^0 \Xi^0$
• • • We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. • • •				
$-0.358 \pm 0.042 \pm 0.013$	1.9k	ABLIKIM	23AD BES3	$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \Xi^0 \Xi^0$

 α FOR $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \bar{\Lambda}\pi^0$

VALUE	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
$0.3790 \pm 0.0034 \pm 0.0021$	327k	ABLIKIM	23AU BES3	$J/\psi \rightarrow \Xi^0 \Xi^0$
• • • We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. • • •				
$0.363 \pm 0.042 \pm 0.013$	1.9k	ABLIKIM	23AD BES3	$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \Xi^0 \Xi^0$

ϕ ANGLE FOR $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^0$ ($\tan\phi = \beta/\gamma$)

VALUE (°)	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
0.292± 0.550±0.103	327k	¹ ABLIKIM	23AU BES3	$J/\psi \rightarrow \Xi^0 \Xi^0$
1.55 ± 6.70 ± 0.63	1.9k	ABLIKIM	23AD BES3	$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \Xi^0 \Xi^0$
16 ± 17	652	BALTAY	74 HBC	1.75 GeV/c $K^- p$
38 ± 19	739	² DAUBER	69 HBC	
− 8 ± 30	146	³ BERGE	66 HBC	

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

¹ Converted from radians to degrees.

² DAUBER 69 uses $\alpha_\Lambda = 0.647 \pm 0.020$.

³ The errors have been multiplied by 1.2 due to approximations used for the Ξ polarization; see DAUBER 69 for a discussion.

 ϕ ANGLE FOR $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \bar{\Lambda}\pi^0$ with $\tan\phi = \beta/\gamma$

VALUE (degrees)	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
− 0.304±0.556±0.109	327k	ABLIKIM	23AU BES3	$J/\psi \rightarrow \Xi^0 \Xi^0$
−10.60 ± 6.65 ± 0.97	1.9k	ABLIKIM	23AD BES3	$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \Xi^0 \Xi^0$

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

 $\Delta\phi_{CP}(\Xi^0) = (\phi_{\Xi^0} + \phi_{\Xi^0})/2$

VALUE (degrees)	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
− 0.006±0.395±0.052	327k	¹ ABLIKIM	23AU BES3	$J/\psi \rightarrow \Xi^0 \Xi^0$
−4.53 ± 4.70 ± 0.57	1.9k	¹ ABLIKIM	23AD BES3	$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \Xi^0 \Xi^0$

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

¹ Converted from radians to degrees.

 A_{CP} FOR $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^0, \Xi^0 \rightarrow \bar{\Lambda}\pi^0$

$$A_{CP} = (\alpha + \bar{\alpha}) / (\alpha - \bar{\alpha})$$

VALUE (units 10^{-3})	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
− 5.4± 6.5± 3.1	327k	¹ ABLIKIM	23AU BES3	$J/\psi \rightarrow \Xi^0 \Xi^0$
−7 ± 82 ± 25	1.9k	¹ ABLIKIM	23AD BES3	$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \Xi^0 \Xi^0$

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

¹ Probing CP symmetry and weak phases with entangled double-strange baryons.

RADIATIVE HYPERON DECAYS

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The weak radiative decays of spin-1/2 hyperons, $B_i \rightarrow B_f \gamma$, yield information about matrix elements (form factors) similar to that gained from weak hadronic decays. For a polarized spin-1/2 hyperon decaying radiatively via a $\Delta Q = 0$, $\Delta S = 1$ transition, the angular distribution of the direction $\hat{\mathbf{p}}$ of the final spin-1/2 baryon in the hyperon rest frame is

$$\frac{dN}{d\Omega} = \frac{N}{4\pi} (1 + \alpha_\gamma \mathbf{P}_i \cdot \hat{\mathbf{p}}) . \quad (1)$$

Here \mathbf{P}_i is the polarization of the decaying hyperon, and α_γ is the asymmetry parameter. In terms of the form factors $F_1(q^2)$, $F_2(q^2)$, and $G(q^2)$ of the effective hadronic weak electromagnetic vertex,

$$F_1(q^2)\gamma_\lambda + iF_2(q^2)\sigma_{\lambda\mu}q^\mu + G(q^2)\gamma_\lambda\gamma_5 ,$$

α_γ is

$$\alpha_\gamma = \frac{2 \operatorname{Re}[G(0)F_M^*(0)]}{|G(0)|^2 + |F_M(0)|^2} , \quad (2)$$

where $F_M = (m_i - m_f)[F_2 - F_1/(m_i + m_f)]$. If the decaying hyperon is unpolarized, the decay baryon has a longitudinal polarization given by $P_f = -\alpha_\gamma$ [1].

The angular distribution for the weak hadronic decay, $B_i \rightarrow B_f\pi$, has the same form as Eq. (1), but of course with a different asymmetry parameter, α_π . Now, however, if the decaying hyperon is unpolarized, the decay baryon has a longitudinal polarization given by $P_f = +\alpha_\pi$ [2,3]. The difference of sign is because the spins of the pion and photon are different.

$\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\gamma$ decay—The radiative decay $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\gamma$ of an unpolarized Ξ^0 uses the hadronic decay $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-$ as the analyzer. As noted above, the longitudinal polarization of the Λ will be $P_\Lambda = -\alpha_{\Xi\Lambda\gamma}$. Let α_- be the $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-$ asymmetry parameter and $\theta_{\Lambda p}$ be the angle, as seen in the Λ rest frame, between the Λ line of flight and the proton momentum. Then the hadronic version of Eq. (1) applied to the $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-$ decay gives

$$\frac{dN}{d \cos \theta_{\Lambda p}} = \frac{N}{2} (1 - \alpha_{\Xi\Lambda\gamma} \alpha_- \cos \theta_{\Lambda p}) \quad (3)$$

for the angular distribution of the proton in the Λ frame. Our current value, from the CERN NA48/1 experiment [4], is $\alpha_{\Xi\Lambda\gamma} = -0.704 \pm 0.019 \pm 0.064$.

$\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Sigma^0\gamma$ decay—The asymmetry parameter here, $\alpha_{\Xi\Sigma\gamma}$, is measured by following the decay chain $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Sigma^0\gamma$, $\Sigma^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\gamma$, $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-$. Again, for an unpolarized Ξ^0 , the longitudinal polarization of the Σ^0 will be $P_\Sigma = -\alpha_{\Xi\Sigma\gamma}$. In the $\Sigma^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\gamma$ decay, a parity-conserving magnetic-dipole transition, the polarization of the Σ^0 is transferred to the Λ , as may be seen as follows. Let $\theta_{\Sigma\Lambda}$ be the angle seen in the Σ^0 rest frame between the Σ^0 line of flight and the Λ momentum. For Σ^0 helicity $+1/2$, the probability amplitudes for positive and negative spin states of the Σ^0 *along the Λ momentum* are $\cos(\theta_{\Sigma\Lambda}/2)$ and $\sin(\theta_{\Sigma\Lambda}/2)$. Then the amplitude for a negative helicity photon and a negative helicity Λ is $\cos(\theta_{\Sigma\Lambda}/2)$, while the amplitude for positive helicities for the photon and Λ is $\sin(\theta_{\Sigma\Lambda}/2)$. For Σ^0 helicity $-1/2$, the amplitudes are interchanged. If the Σ^0 has longitudinal polarization P_Σ , the probabilities for Λ helicities $\pm 1/2$ are therefore

$$p(\pm 1/2) = \frac{1}{2}(1 \mp P_\Sigma) \cos^2(\theta_{\Sigma\Lambda}/2) + \frac{1}{2}(1 \pm P_\Sigma) \sin^2(\theta_{\Sigma\Lambda}/2), \quad (4)$$

and the longitudinal polarization of the Λ is

$$P_\Lambda = -P_\Sigma \cos \theta_{\Sigma\Lambda} = +\alpha_{\Xi\Sigma\gamma} \cos \theta_{\Sigma\Lambda}. \quad (5)$$

Using Eq. (1) for the $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-$ decay again, we get for the joint angular distribution of the $\Sigma^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\gamma$, $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-$ chain,

$$\frac{d^2 N}{d \cos \theta_{\Sigma\Lambda} d \cos \theta_{\Lambda p}} = \frac{N}{4} (1 + \alpha_{\Xi\Sigma\gamma} \cos \theta_{\Sigma\Lambda} \alpha_- \cos \theta_{\Lambda p}). \quad (6)$$

Our current average for $\alpha_{\Xi\Sigma\gamma}$ is -0.69 ± 0.06 [4,5].

References

1. R.E. Behrends, Phys. Rev. **111**, 1691 (1958); see Eq. (7) or (8).
2. In ancient times, the signs of the asymmetry term in the angular distributions of radiative and hadronic decays of polarized hyperons were sometimes opposite. For roughly 50 years, however, the overwhelming convention has been to make them the same. The aim, not always achieved, is to remove ambiguities.
3. For the definition of α_π , see the note on “Baryon Decay Parameters” in the Neutron Listings.
4. J.R. Batley *et al.*, Phys. Lett. **B693**, 241 (2010).
5. A. Alavi-Harati *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **86**, 3239 (2001).

α FOR $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\gamma$

See the note above on “Radiative Hyperon Decays.”

VALUE	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
$-0.704 \pm 0.019 \pm 0.064$	52k	¹ BATLEY	10B NA48	p Be, 400 GeV
• • •				We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. • • •
$-0.78 \pm 0.18 \pm 0.06$	672	LAI	04A NA48	See BATLEY 10B
-0.43 ± 0.44	87	² JAMES	90 SPEC	FNAL hyperons

¹BATLEY 10B also measured the $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \bar{\Lambda}\gamma$ asymmetry to be -0.798 ± 0.064 (no systematic error given) with 4769 events.

²The sign has been changed; see the erratum, JAMES 02.

α FOR $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda e^+ e^-$

VALUE	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
-0.8 ± 0.2	397 ± 21	¹ BATLEY	07C NA48	p Be, 400 GeV

¹This BATLEY 07C result is consistent with the asymmetry α for $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\gamma$, as expected if the mechanism is internal bremsstrahlung.

α FOR $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Sigma^0\gamma$

See the note above on “Radiative Hyperon Decays.”

VALUE	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
-0.69 ± 0.06 OUR AVERAGE				
$-0.729 \pm 0.030 \pm 0.076$	15k	¹ BATLEY	10B NA48	p Be, 400 GeV
$-0.63 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.05$	4045	ALAVI-HARATI01C	KTEV	p nucleus, 800 GeV

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

$+0.20 \pm 0.32 \pm 0.05$ 85 ² TEIGE 89 SPEC FNAL hyperons

¹BATLEY 10B also measured the $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \bar{\Sigma}^0\gamma$ asymmetry to be -0.786 ± 0.104 (no systematic error given) with 1404 events.

²This result has been withdrawn, due to an error. See the erratum, TEIGE 02.

$g_1(0)/f_1(0)$ FOR $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Sigma^+ e^- \bar{\nu}_e$

VALUE	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
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1.22±0.05 OUR AVERAGE

1.21±0.05		BATLEY 13	NA48	p Be, 400 GeV
$1.32^{+0.21}_{-0.17} \pm 0.05$	487	¹ ALAVI-HARATI01i	KTEV	p nucleus, 800 GeV

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

1.20±0.04±0.03	6520	² BATLEY 07	NA48	See BATLEY 13
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¹ ALAVI-HARATI 01i assumes here that the second-class current is zero and that the weak-magnetism term takes its exact SU(3) value.

² This BATLEY 07 result uses our 2006 value of V_{US} from semileptonic kaon decays as input.

 $g_2(0)/f_1(0)$ FOR $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Sigma^+ e^- \bar{\nu}_e$

VALUE	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
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$-1.7^{+2.1}_{-2.0} \pm 0.5$	487	¹ ALAVI-HARATI01i	KTEV	p nucleus, 800 GeV
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¹ ALAVI-HARATI 01i thus assumes that $g_2 = 0$ in calculating g_1/f_1 , above.

 $f_2(0)/f_1(0)$ FOR $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Sigma^+ e^- \bar{\nu}_e$

VALUE	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
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2.0±0.9 OUR AVERAGE

2.0±1.3		BATLEY 13	NA48	p Be, 400 GeV
2.0±1.2±0.5	487	ALAVI-HARATI01i	KTEV	p nucleus, 800 GeV

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