

$\Lambda(1405) \ 1/2^-$ $I(J^P) = 0(\frac{1}{2}^-)$ Status: ****

In the 1998 Note on the $\Lambda(1405)$ in PDG 98, R.H. Dalitz discussed the S-shaped cusp behavior of the intensity at the $N\bar{K}$ threshold observed in THOMAS 73 and HEMINGWAY 85. He commented that this behavior "is characteristic of S-wave coupling; the other below threshold hyperon, the $\Sigma(1385)$, has no such threshold distortion because its $N\bar{K}$ coupling is P-wave. For $\Lambda(1405)$ this asymmetry is the sole direct evidence that $J^P = 1/2^-$."

A recent measurement by the CLAS collaboration, MORIYA 14, definitively established the long-assumed $J^P = 1/2^-$ spin-parity assignment of the $\Lambda(1405)$. The experiment produced the $\Lambda(1405)$ spin-polarized in the photoproduction process $\gamma p \rightarrow K^+ \Lambda(1405)$ and measured the decay of the $\Lambda(1405)$ (polarized) $\rightarrow \Sigma^+$ (polarized) π^- . The observed isotropic decay of $\Lambda(1405)$ is consistent with spin $J = 1/2$. The polarization transfer to the Σ^+ (polarized) direction revealed negative parity, and thus established $J^P = 1/2^-$.

See the related review(s):
[Pole Structure of the \$\Lambda\(1405\)\$ Region](#)

$\Lambda(1405)$ POLE POSITION

REAL PART

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1429^{+8}_{-7}	¹ MAI	15 DPWA
1434 ± 2	² MAI	15 DPWA
1421^{+3}_{-2}	GUO	13 DPWA
1424^{+7}_{-23}	IKEDA	12 DPWA

¹Solution number 4.
²Solution number 2.

-2xIMAGINARY PART

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24^{+4}_{-6}	¹ MAI	15 DPWA
20^{+4}_{-2}	² MAI	15 DPWA
38^{+16}_{-10}	GUO	13 DPWA
52^{+6}_{-28}	IKEDA	12 DPWA

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$\Lambda(1405)$ MASS**PRODUCTION EXPERIMENTS**

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1405.1^{+1.3}_{-1.0} OUR AVERAGE

1405	$+11$ -9	HASSANVAND 13	SPEC	$pp \rightarrow p\Lambda(1405)K^+$
1405	$+1.4$ -1.0	ESMAILI 10	RVUE	${}^4\text{He } K^- \rightarrow \Sigma^\pm \pi^\mp X$ at rest
1406.5	± 4.0	¹ DALITZ 91		M-matrix fit
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1391	± 1	700	¹ HEMINGWAY 85	HBC $K^- p$ 4.2 GeV/ <i>c</i>
~ 1405		400	² THOMAS 73	HBC $\pi^- p$ 1.69 GeV/ <i>c</i>
1405		120	BARBARO-... 68B	DBC $K^- d$ 2.1–2.7 GeV/ <i>c</i>
1400	± 5	67	BIRMINGHAM 66	HBC $K^- p$ 3.5 GeV/ <i>c</i>
1382	± 8		ENGLER 65	HDBC $\pi^- p, \pi^+ d$ 1.68 GeV/ <i>c</i>
1400	± 24		MUSGRAVE 65	HBC $\bar{p} p$ 3–4 GeV/ <i>c</i>
1410			ALEXANDER 62	HBC $\pi^- p$ 2.1 GeV/ <i>c</i>
1405			ALSTON 62	HBC $K^- p$ 1.2–0.5 GeV/ <i>c</i>
1405			ALSTON 61B	HBC $K^- p$ 1.15 GeV/ <i>c</i>

¹DALITZ 91 fits the HEMINGWAY 85 data.²THOMAS 73 data is fit by CHAO 73 (see next section).**EXTRAPOLATIONS BELOW $\bar{N}K$ THRESHOLD**

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1407.56 or 1407.50	¹ KIMURA 00		potential model
1411	² MARTIN 81		K-matrix fit
1406	³ CHAO 73	DPWA	0–range fit (sol. B)
1421	MARTIN 70	RVUE	Constant K-matrix
1416 ± 4	MARTIN 69	HBC	Constant K-matrix
1403 ± 3	KIM 67	HBC	K-matrix fit
1407.5 ± 1.2	⁴ KITTEL 66	HBC	0–effective-range fit
1410.7 ± 1.0	KIM 65	HBC	0–effective-range fit
1409.6 ± 1.7	⁴ SAKITT 65	HBC	0–effective-range fit

¹The KIMURA 00 values are from fits A and B from a coupled-channel potential model using low-energy $\bar{K}N$ and $\Sigma\pi$ data, kaonic-hydrogen x-ray measurements, and our $\Lambda(1405)$ mass and width. The results bear mainly on the *nature* of the $\Lambda(1405)$: three-quark state or $\bar{K}N$ bound state.²The MARTIN 81 fit includes the $K^\pm p$ forward scattering amplitudes and the dispersion relations they must satisfy.³See also the accompanying paper of THOMAS 73.⁴Data of SAKITT 65 are used in the fit by KITTEL 66. **$\Lambda(1405)$ WIDTH****PRODUCTION EXPERIMENTS**

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50.5 \pm 2.0 OUR AVERAGE

62 ± 10		HASSANVAND 13	SPEC	$pp \rightarrow p\Lambda(1405)K^+$
50 ± 2	¹ DALITZ 91			M-matrix fit

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24	$\begin{matrix} + & 4 \\ - & 3 \end{matrix}$		ESMAILI	10	RVUE	${}^4\text{He } K^- \rightarrow \Sigma^\pm \pi^\mp X$ at rest
32	± 1	700	¹ HEMINGWAY	85	HBC	$K^- p$ 4.2 GeV/c
45	to 55	400	² THOMAS	73	HBC	$\pi^- p$ 1.69 GeV/c
35		120	BARBARO-...	68B	DBC	$K^- d$ 2.1–2.7 GeV/c
50	± 10	67	BIRMINGHAM	66	HBC	$K^- p$ 3.5 GeV/c
89	± 20		ENGLER	65	HDBC	
60	± 20		MUSGRAVE	65	HBC	
35	± 5		ALEXANDER	62	HBC	
50			ALSTON	62	HBC	
20			ALSTON	61B	HBC	

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² THOMAS 73 data is fit by CHAO 73 (see next section).

EXTRAPOLATIONS BELOW $N\bar{K}$ THRESHOLD

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50.24 or 50.26	¹ KIMURA	00	potential model
30	² MARTIN	81	K-matrix fit
55	^{3,4} CHAO	73	DPWA 0–range fit (sol. B)
20	MARTIN	70	RVUE Constant K-matrix
29 ± 6	MARTIN	69	HBC Constant K-matrix
50 ± 5	KIM	67	HBC K-matrix fit
34.1 ± 4.1	⁵ KITTEL	66	HBC
37.0 ± 3.2	KIM	65	HBC
28.2 ± 4.1	⁵ SAKITT	65	HBC

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² The MARTIN 81 fit includes the $K^\pm p$ forward scattering amplitudes and the dispersion relations they must satisfy.

³ An asymmetric shape, with $\Gamma/2 = 41$ MeV below resonance, 14 MeV above.

⁴ See also the accompanying paper of THOMAS 73.

⁵ Data of SAKITT 65 are used in the fit by KITTEL 66.

$\Lambda(1405)$ DECAY MODES

Mode	Fraction (Γ_i/Γ)
Γ_1 $\Sigma\pi$	100 %
Γ_2 $\Lambda\gamma$	
Γ_3 $\Sigma^0\gamma$	
Γ_4 $N\bar{K}$	

$\Lambda(1405)$ PARTIAL WIDTHS

$\Gamma(\Lambda\gamma)$

Γ_2

VALUE (keV)	DOCUMENT ID	COMMENT
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27 ± 8	BURKHARDT	91	Isobar model fit
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$\Gamma(\Sigma^0\gamma)$ Γ_3

VALUE (keV)	DOCUMENT ID	COMMENT
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10 ± 4 or 23 ± 7	BURKHARDT 91	Isobar model fit

 $\Lambda(1405)$ BRANCHING RATIOS $\Gamma(N\bar{K})/\Gamma(\Sigma\pi)$ Γ_4/Γ_1

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<3	95	HEMINGWAY 85	HBC	$K^- p$ 4.2 GeV/c

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