# Particle discoveries; 1

### **Overview**

- Discovery of fundamental particles in the last 100 years
- See how possibility of discovery goes hand in hand with available energy and technology

### This lecture:

Resonances

Fundamental particles → 1970

# Uncertainty principle

Heisenberg Uncertainty Relation:

$$\Delta E \Delta t = h/2\pi$$

### In particle physics:

 $\Delta t = lifetime of particle (\tau)$ 

 $\Delta E$  = width of particle

If particle at rest:  $mc^2 = E$ 

 $\Delta E \Rightarrow \Delta m$ 

(how well we know the mass)

# Uncertainty principle

## Resonances

- Resonances are excited states of mesons and baryons
- Most hadrons are resonances

resonance	$I(J^{PC})$
$\rho^0(769)$	1(1**)
$f_2^0 (1275)$	0(2++)
$\rho^0(1700)$	1(3**)

e.g. excited  $\pi^0$  states

- Resonances decay by the strong force
  - Short lifetime ( $\Delta t$  small, ~10<sup>-23</sup> s ⇒ width large)
- Usually infer presence of resonance by reconstructing and combining decay products

### Resonances

 $\sigma(E) \sim \Gamma^2$   $(E - Mc^2)^2 + \Gamma^2/4$ 

Described by **Breit Wigner** formula

- Width  $\Gamma = \Delta E \sim 1 / \tau$
- σ(E) is cross-section for production at given
- M is central mass of particle

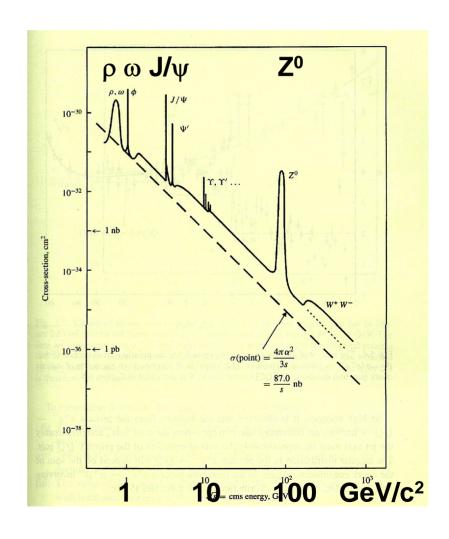
Γ/2 Mc<sup>2</sup>

Section 5.3, Martin & Shaw

### Resonances

Identified by looking for:
invariant mass "bumps"
increases in production
cross-section with
rising CM energy

We will see examples in history of particle discovery



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### **Proton & neutron**

#### **Protons:**

1919 Rutherford;

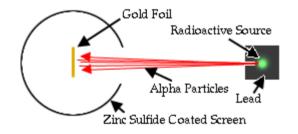
Realised that nucleus contained small positively charged scattering centres

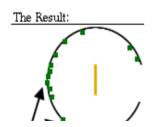
#### **Neutrons:**

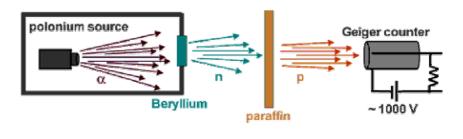
1931 Chadwick:

Bombarded Be foil with  $\alpha$  particles: neutral particles produced.

Not  $\gamma$ ; prob. of interaction too large







Detection ability dependant on probing power (particle energy)

# Electron, muon, neutrinos

Electron: J.J. Thomson 1897

Cathode tubes

(nb. Also xrays  $\rightarrow \gamma$ )

**Muon: Cosmic rays 1937** 

Very penetrating. 200 electron mass particle in cosmic rays

No strong interactions

collision

More energetic probes ....

More massive particles

found

**Neutrinos:** Reines and Cowan 1956

**Nuclear reactor produces anti-neutrinos** 

Interact with proton detector :  $v_e + p \rightarrow e^+ + n$ 

 $e^++ e^- \rightarrow \gamma$  (detect  $\gamma$  with scintillator)

## Mesons

Pions: cosmic rays 1946

$$\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu \mu$$

$$\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ + \nu e + \nu \mu$$

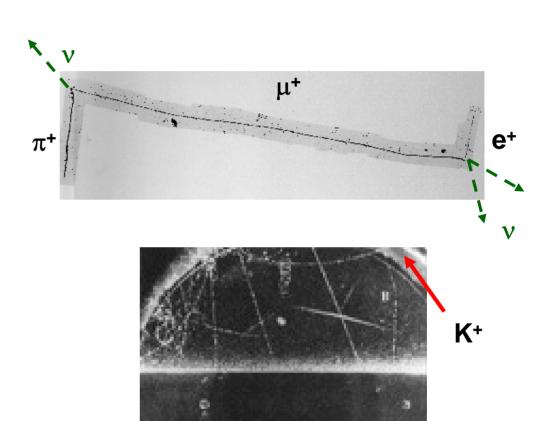
Kaons: cosmic rays

1944 K+, 1947 K<sup>0</sup>

Interact weakly; "strangely" long lifetime cf. charged pions

**Advent of colliders;** 

Loads of mesons and baryons!



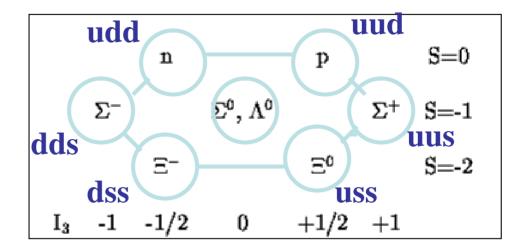
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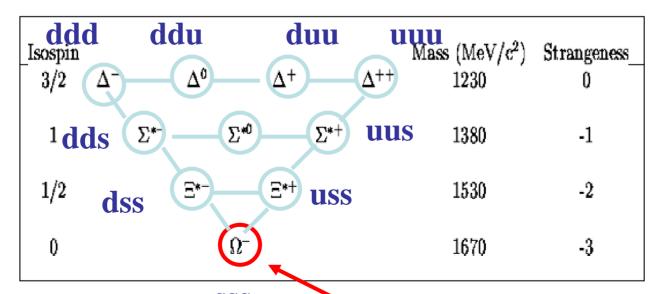
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## **Quark Model**

Express particles as combinations of **u,d,s type quarks** → patterns

"Quarks"; "Three quarks for Muster Mark"





# Discovery of $\Omega$ (sss) baryon

#### 1964:

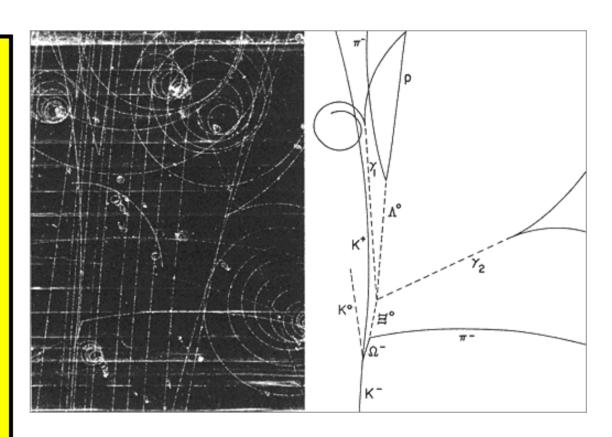
Brookhaven, bubble chamber experiment

Kaon beam incident on proton target

-We worked out before how energetic the kaon beam must be to create an omega;

-In fact kaon beam is 5 GeV

Discovery confirmed multiplet and quark models of particles



$$\mathbf{K}^{\text{-}}$$
 +  $\mathbf{p}$   $\rightarrow$   $\Omega^{\text{-}}$  +  $\mathbf{K}^{0}$  +  $\mathbf{K}^{\text{+}}$   $\Omega^{\text{-}}$   $\rightarrow$   $\Xi^{0}$  +  $\pi^{\text{-}}$ 

## Review

- Concept of resonances
  - Semi-bound excited hadron states
  - Strong force ⇒ short lifetime ⇒ measureable width
  - Detect from reconstructing decays;
     characteristic mass, shape from Breit Wigner
- Particle history
  - $-p,n,e,\mu,\nu,mesons \rightarrow \Omega$

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