BACKWARD PRODUCTION OF K* (892) IN $K^+p \to K^0\pi^+p$ AND $K^+d \to K^+\pi^-p(p_s)$ REACTIONS BETWEEN 3.0 GeV/c AND 5.0 GeV/c

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ABSTRACT:

Data for backward production of K^{*+} (892) are given for the reaction $K^+p \to K^0\pi^-p$ at 3.0, 3.5, 4.6 and 5.0 Gev/c and for K^{*0} (892) backward production in the reaction $K^+d \to K^+\pi^-p(p_s)$ at 3.0 and 4.6 GeV/c. Energy dependence of the cross section for this reaction exhibits a simple (p_{lab}^{-n}) behaviour, with $n=2.7 \pm 0.3$. The production and decay angular distributions are presented. Comparisons with other backward reactions are made in terms of baryon exchange.

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