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The Search for Exotic Baryons at HERMES WOUTER DECONINCK, WOLFGANG LORENZON, University of Michigan, HERMES COLLABORATION — An experimental search for the $\Theta^+(1540)$ and $\Xi^{--}(1862)$ resonances was performed using the decay modes pK_s and $\Xi^-\pi^-$, respectively. While evidence for a $\Theta^+(1540)$ with a statistical significance of 4σ is presented, no evidence for the $\Xi^{--}(1862)$ is found. The absence of a peak in the $\Xi^-\pi^-$ spectrum near 1862 MeV allows only to estimate an upper limit for quasi-real photoproduction of the $\Xi^{--}(1862)$. Systematic studies and future plans will be discussed as well. Among those is an attempt to use time-of-flight identification to probe low momentum Θ^+ production.

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