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Study of the spin-flavor structure of excited baryon masses from lattice QCD¹ ISHARA FERNANDO, Hampton University — The known classification of excited baryons based on the dynamical symmetry group $SU(6) \times O(3)$ can be understood in the framework of the $1/N_c$ expansion[1]. The application to masses [2-5] based on the experimentally determined masses can now be extended to the case of baryon masses obtained in lattice QCD[6,7]. The work to be presented analyses the ground state as well as the excited multiplets $[70, 1^-], [56, 0^+]$ and $[56, 2^+]$. Mass relations which are valid up to corrections $1/N_c^2$, or $\frac{1}{N_c}(m_s - m_d)$, or $(m_s - m_d)^2$ are tested and conclusions on quark mass dependence of the effective mass operators and minimal sets of effective mass operators are obtained.

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