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Measurement of inclusive $\Lambda(1520)$ photoproduction on deuteron KENNETH HICKS, TSUTOMU MIBE, Ohio University, STEPAN STEPANYAN, Jefferson Laboratory, CLAS COLLABORATION — The possible observation of the $\gamma n \to K^-\Theta^+$ reaction in LEPS and non-observation of the reaction $\gamma p \to \bar{K}^0\Theta^+$ in CLAS would require a large isospin asymmetry in the cross section. In 2005, Nam, Hosaka and Kim proposed a large isospin asymmetry in the cross section due to the possible absence of a contact term (Kroll-Ruderman term) in production from the neutron of a Θ^+ with spin 3/2. The $\Lambda(1520)$ is a well-established excited hyperon with spin and parity $J^P=3/2^-$. If a large isospin asymmetry exists in the Θ^+ photoproduction ($\sigma_n(\Theta^+) >> \sigma_p(\Theta^+)$), then a similar but opposite cross section asymmetry is predicted in the photoproduction of $\Lambda(1520)$ from the proton and neutron ($\sigma_n(\Lambda^*) << \sigma_p(\Lambda^*)$). This talk will report the measurement of differential cross sections and decay angular distributions for the inclusive reaction $\gamma d \to \Lambda(1520) X$ at Jefferson Laboratory using the CLAS detector. Data for $\Lambda(1520)$ photoproduction from both proton and neutron targets will be discussed.

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