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$\Xi$ spectroscopy in photoproduction on a proton target at Jefferson Lab LEI GUO, Jefferson Lab, CLAS COLLABORATION - The CLAS Collaboration at Jefferson Lab conducted a photoproduction experiment on a proton target using a tagged photon beam with an energy range of $1.6-3.8 \mathrm{GeV}$ during May-July 2004. With an integrated luminosity of about $70 \mathrm{pb}^{-1}$, this experiment provides the largest data set for photon-proton reactions ever collected. The reaction $\gamma p \rightarrow K^{+} K^{+} \Xi^{-}(1320)$ has been investigated with the two $K^{+}$'s detected by CLAS and $\Xi^{-}(1320)$ constructed from missing four momentum. The preliminary results of the cross section measurement of $\Xi^{-}(1320)$ for the photon energy range of $2.7-3.8 \mathrm{GeV}$ will be presented. In search for excited cascade states, the reaction of $\gamma p \rightarrow K^{+} K^{+} \pi^{-}\left(\Xi^{0}(1320)\right)$ has been explored. Preliminary results of excited cascade states decaying into $\Xi^{0} \pi^{-}$will be shown. The feasibility of searching for pentaquark cascade states in photoproduction on a proton target will also be discussed.

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