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# Future hypernuclear experiments with HKS

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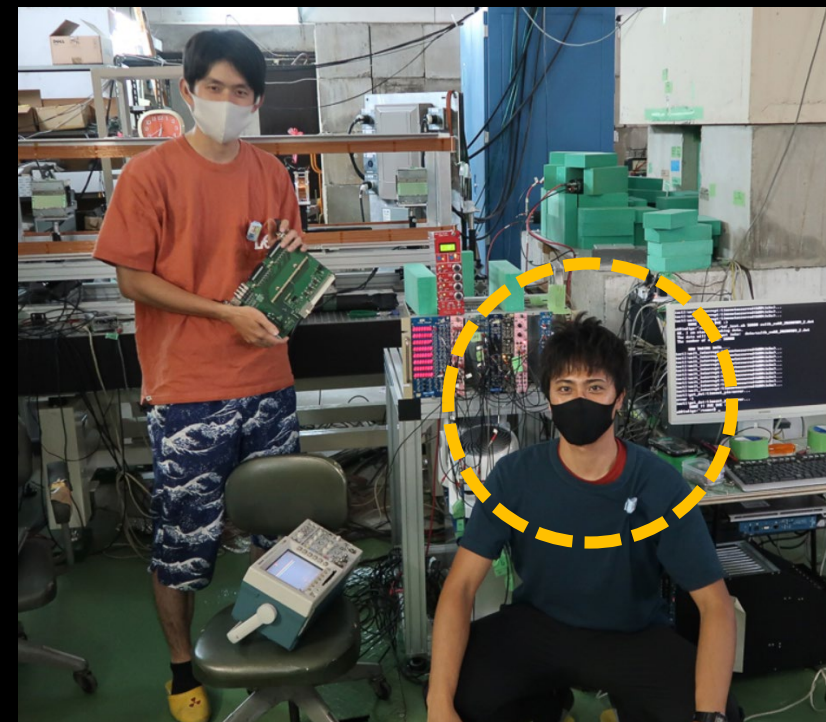
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SUPPORTING PROGRAM FOR INTERACTION-BASED  
INITIATIVE TEAM STUDIES

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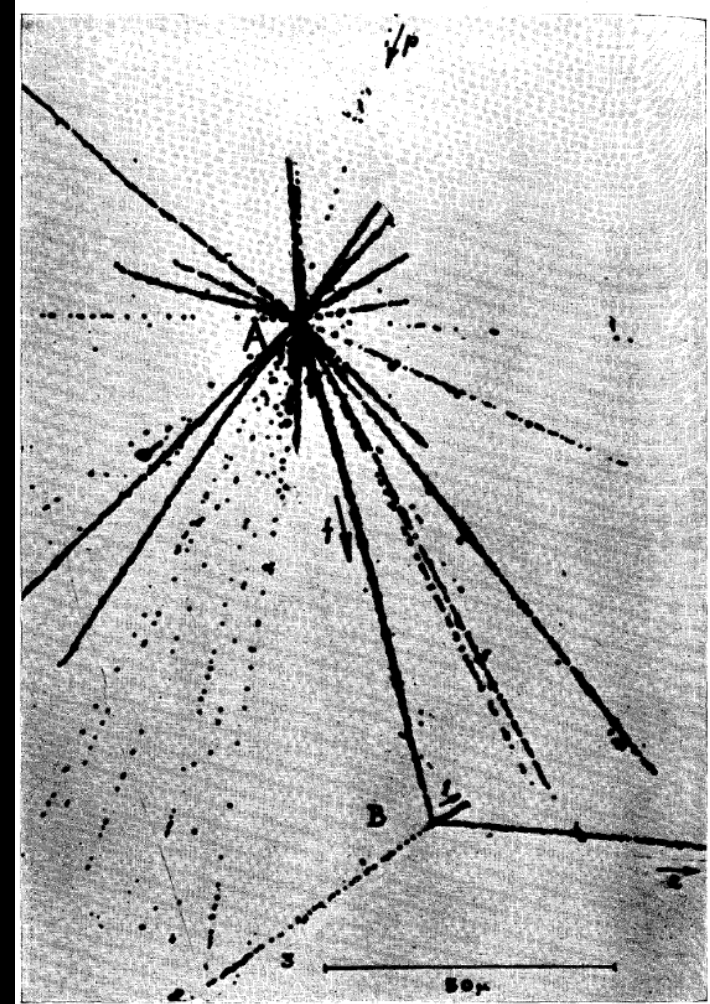


# THE FIRST HYPERNUCLUS

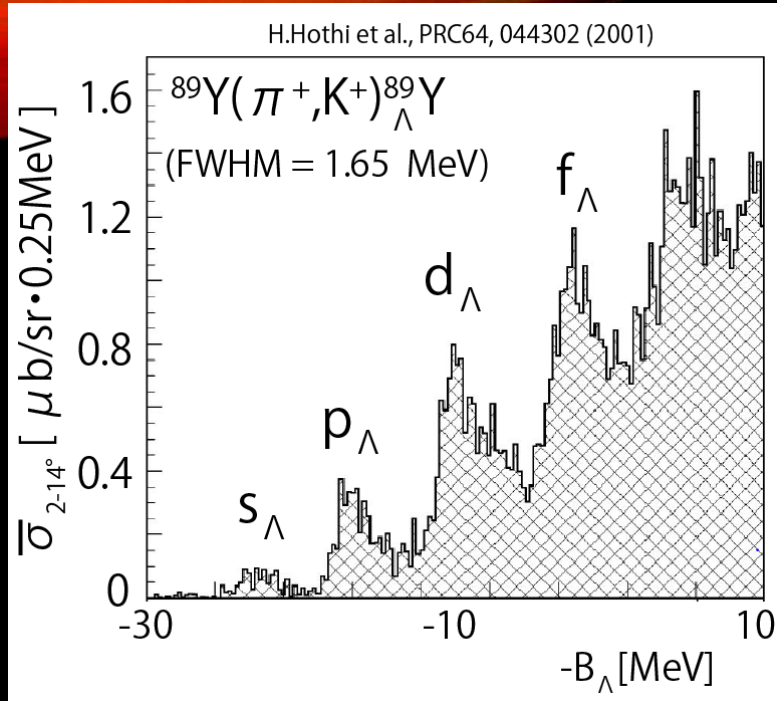
*The first  $A$  hypernucleus in history*



A.K. Wroblewski,  
*Acta Physica Polonica B* 35, 3 (2004).



M. Danysz & J. Pniewski, *Phil. Mag.*  
Ser. 7, 44, 14 (1953).



## WHAT WE CAN STUDY?

- YN / YY Interaction: Strong forces with different flavor from u and d
- Probe to investigate deep in nucleus: No Pauli Blocking from N
- Impurity effect: Deformation, Shrinkage

# ROLE OF STRANGENESS IN HIGH-DENSITY HADRONIC MATTERS

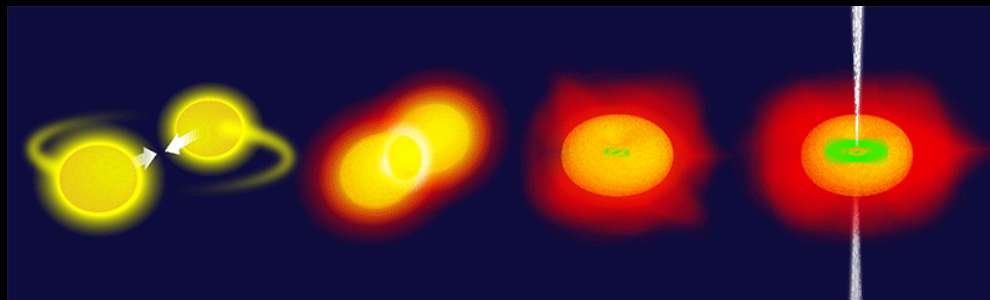
- Hyperon appearance  $\rightarrow$  Softening of EOS
- The EOS cannot hold  $2M_{\odot}$  (Hyperon puzzle)
- YNN three-body force would be a key

## Terrestrial experiments

- ✓ BB interaction with strangeness degree of freedom

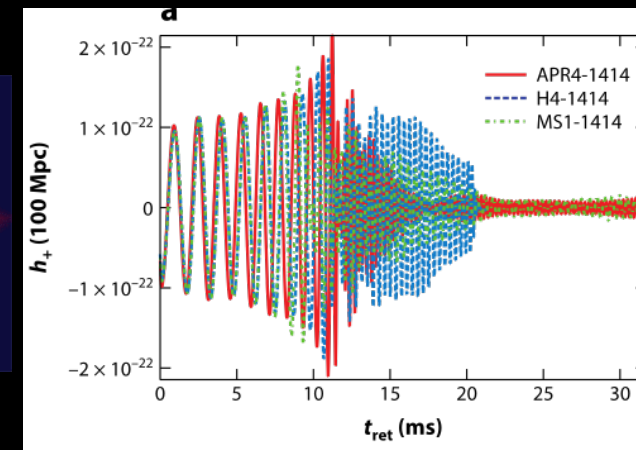
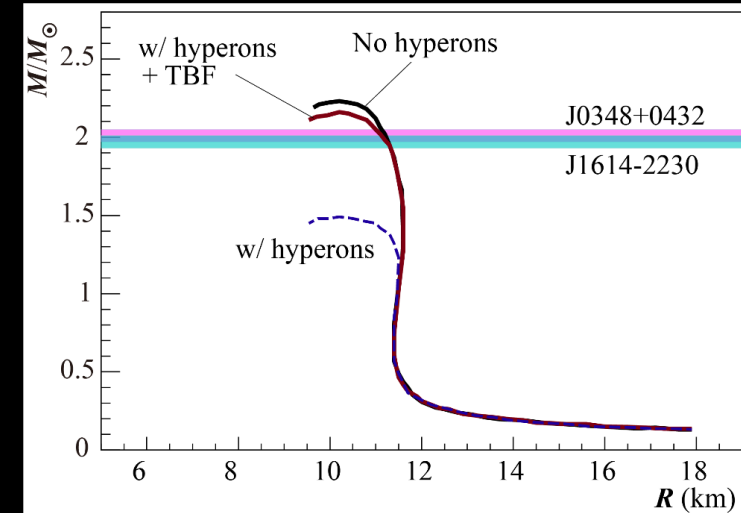
## Astronomical observation

- ✓ Binary NS Mergers observed



B. P. Abbott et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 119, 161101 (2017).

H. Togashi *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 93, 035808 (2016)





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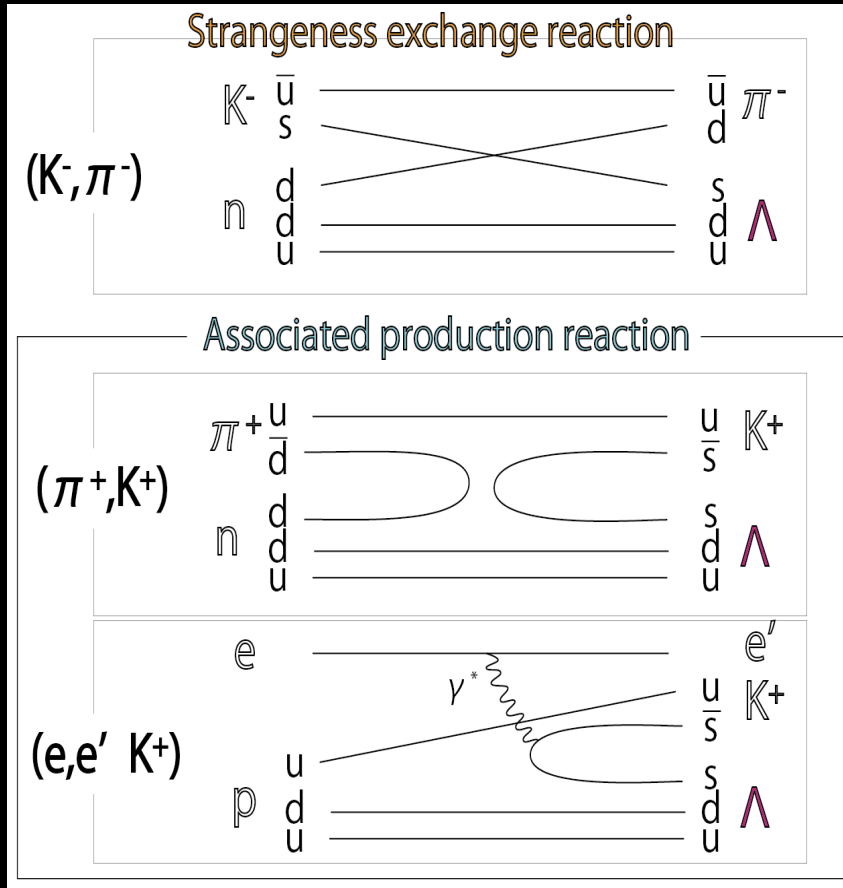
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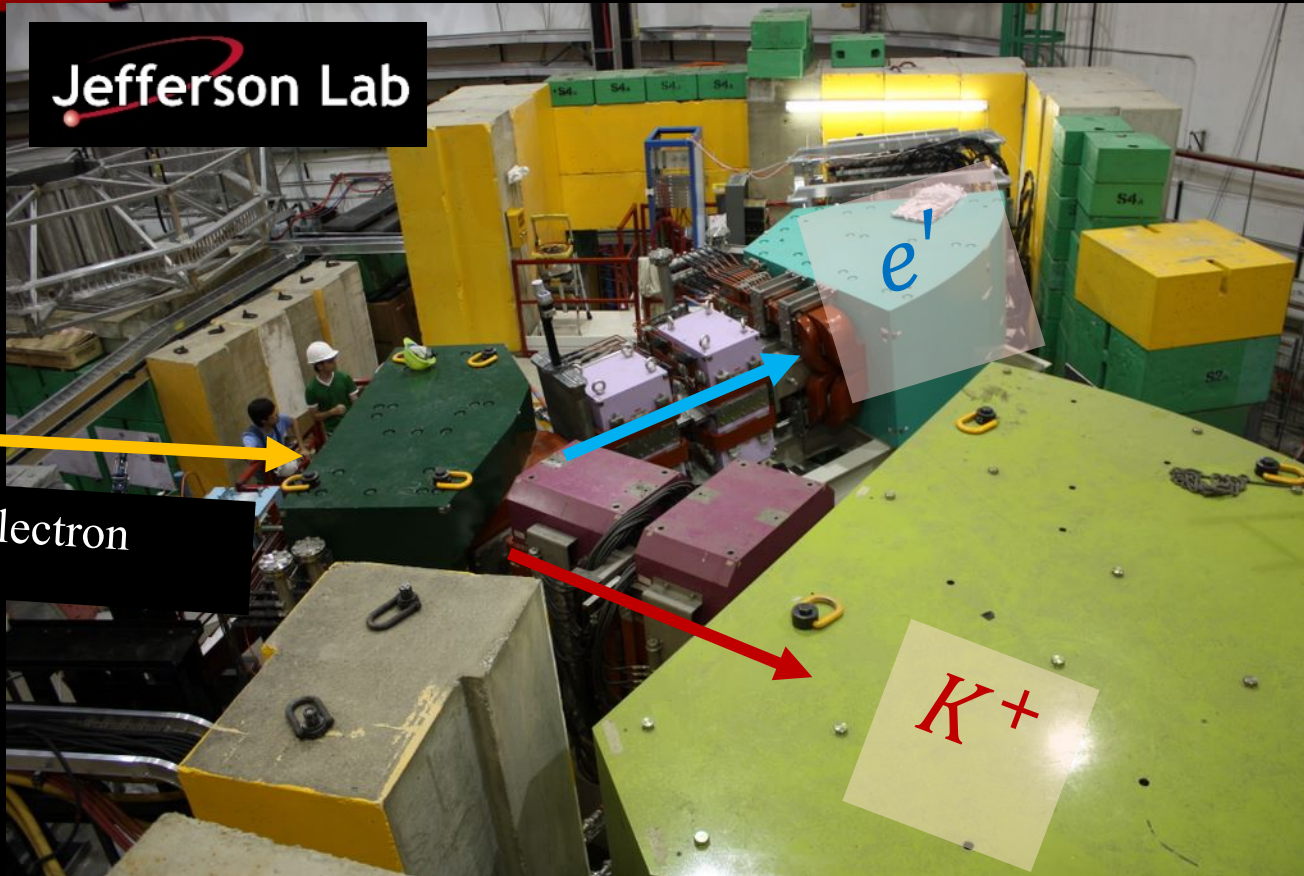
# REACTIONS



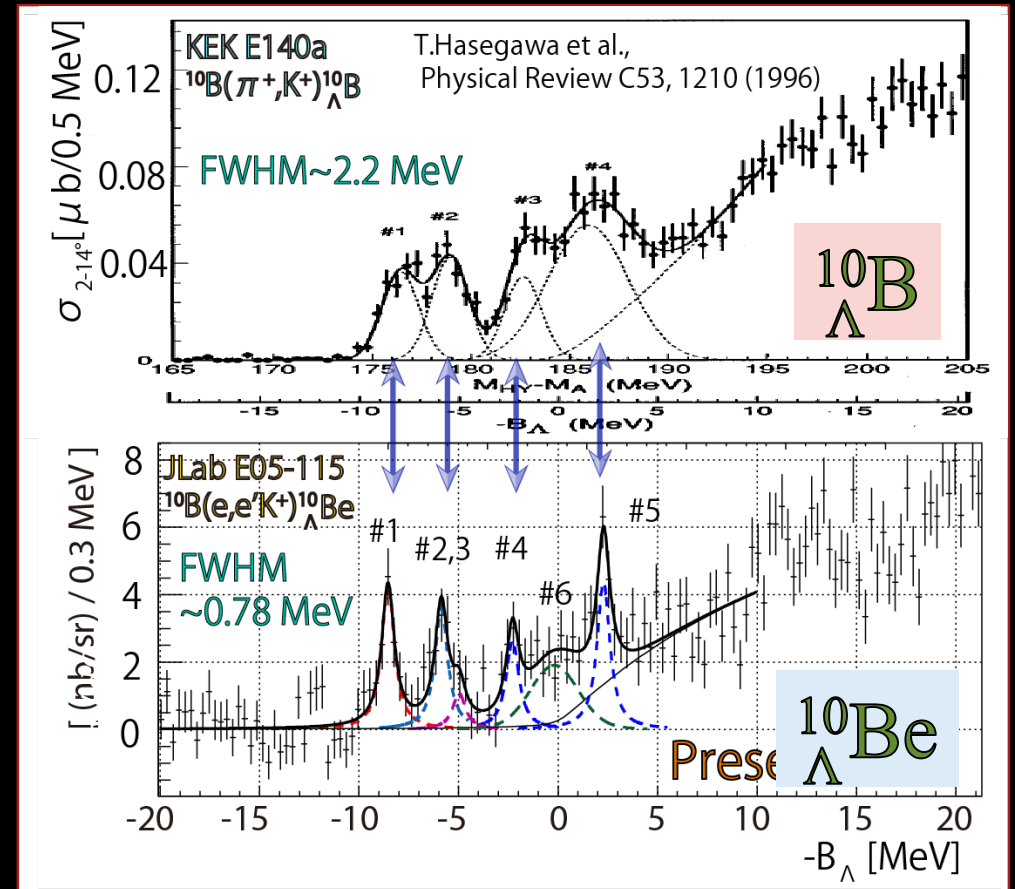
electron vs. hadron beams



# High precision measurement $^{10}_{\Lambda}\text{B}$ and $^{10}_{\Lambda}\text{Be}$

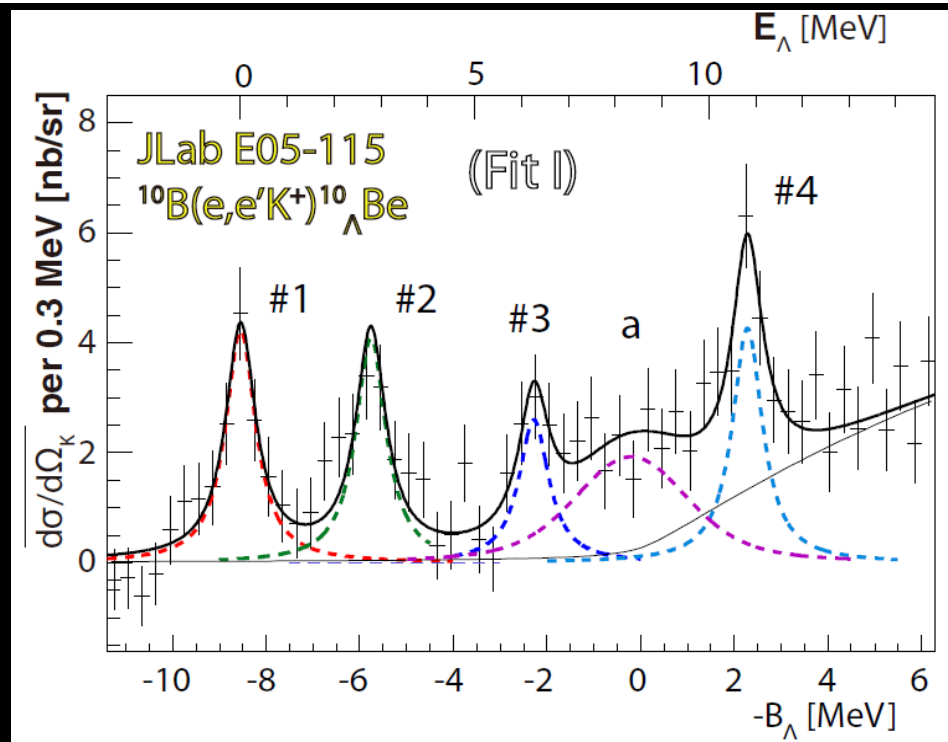
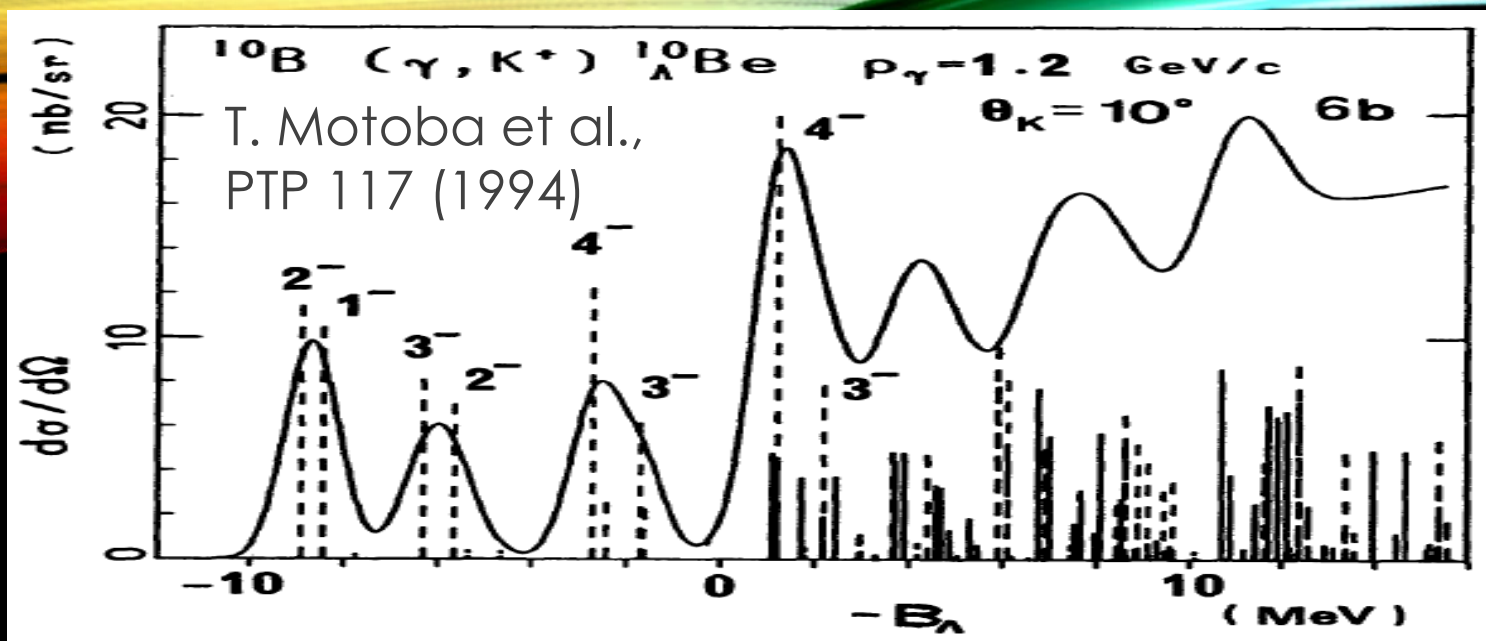


- ✓ High resolution
- ✓ High accuracy



RPC 93 (2016) 034314.





TG et al., PRC 93 (2016) 034314.

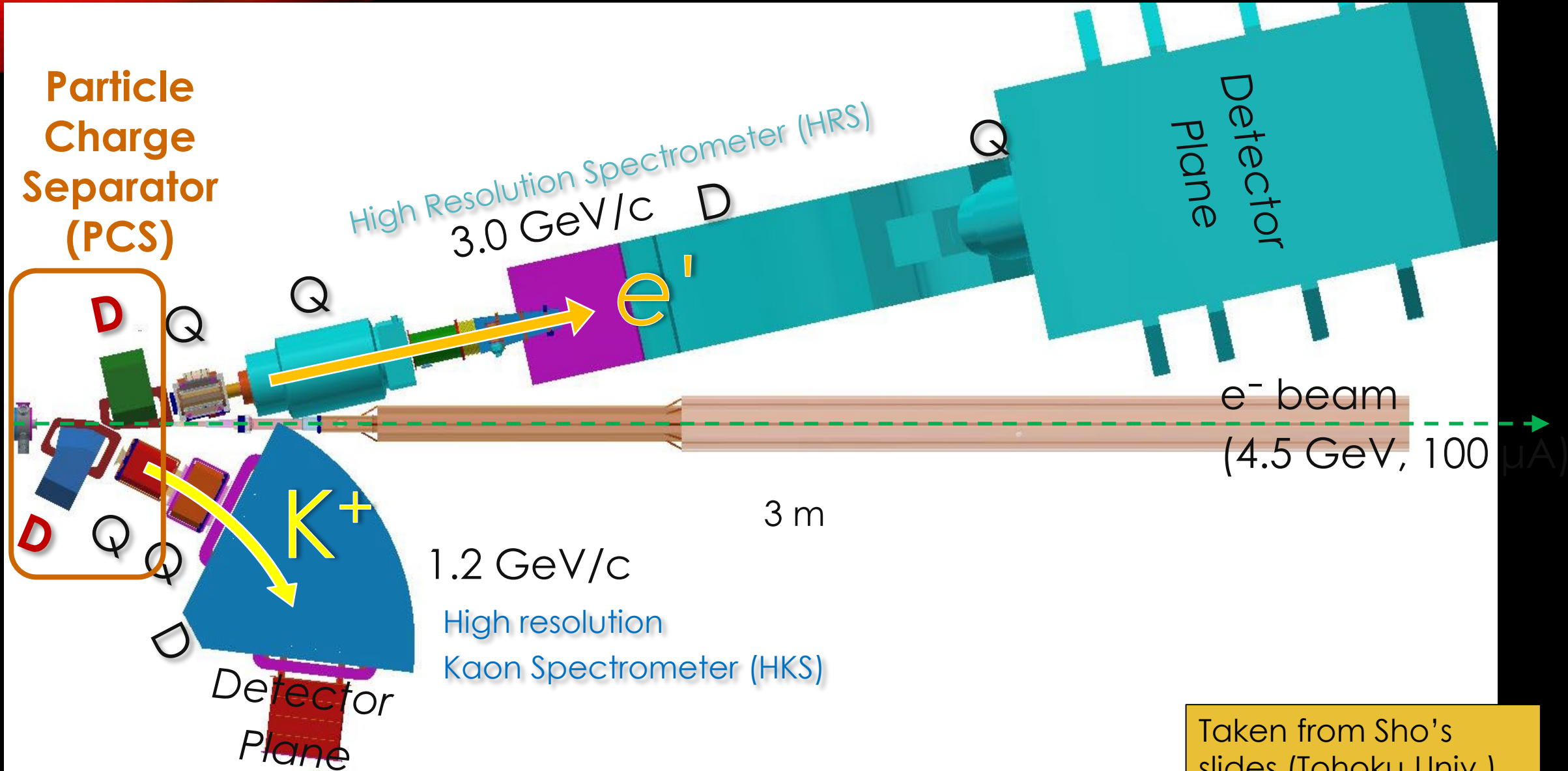
What's surplus, a ?

- Conventional shell model did not predict the state
- It was found that model space needs to be extended (A. Umeya et al., JPS Conf. Proc. 26, 023016 (2019)).

# Future hypernuclear measurements that I am going to talk

- ① C12-19-002 ( ${}^3,4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ ): hypertriton puzzle, CSB issue
- ② E12-15-008 ( ${}^{40,48}_{\Lambda}\text{K}$ ):  $\Lambda\text{NN}$  isospin interaction
- ③ E12-20-013 ( ${}^{208}_{\Lambda}\text{Tl}$ ):  $\Lambda\text{NN}$  3BF in uniform nuclear medium

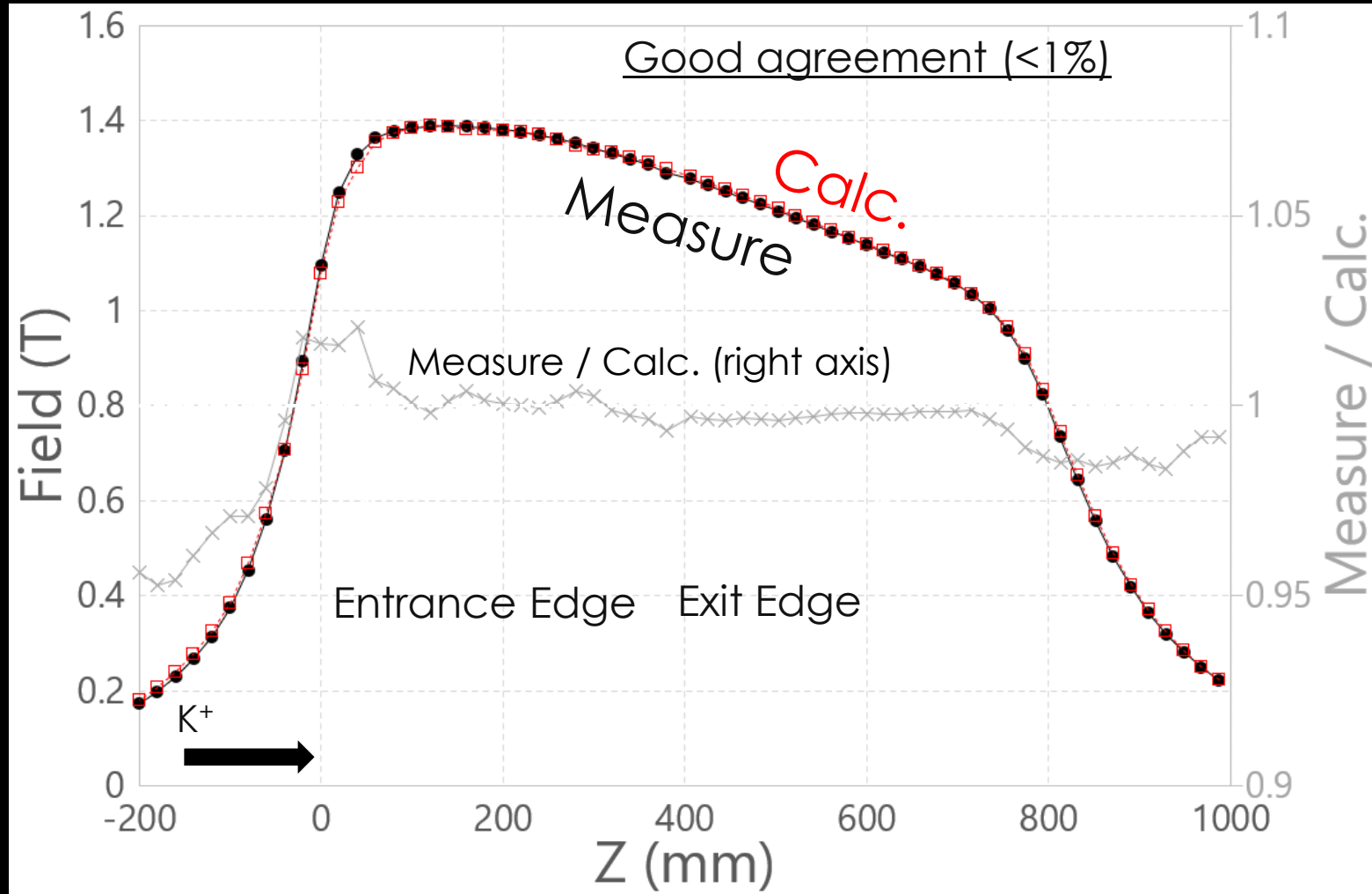
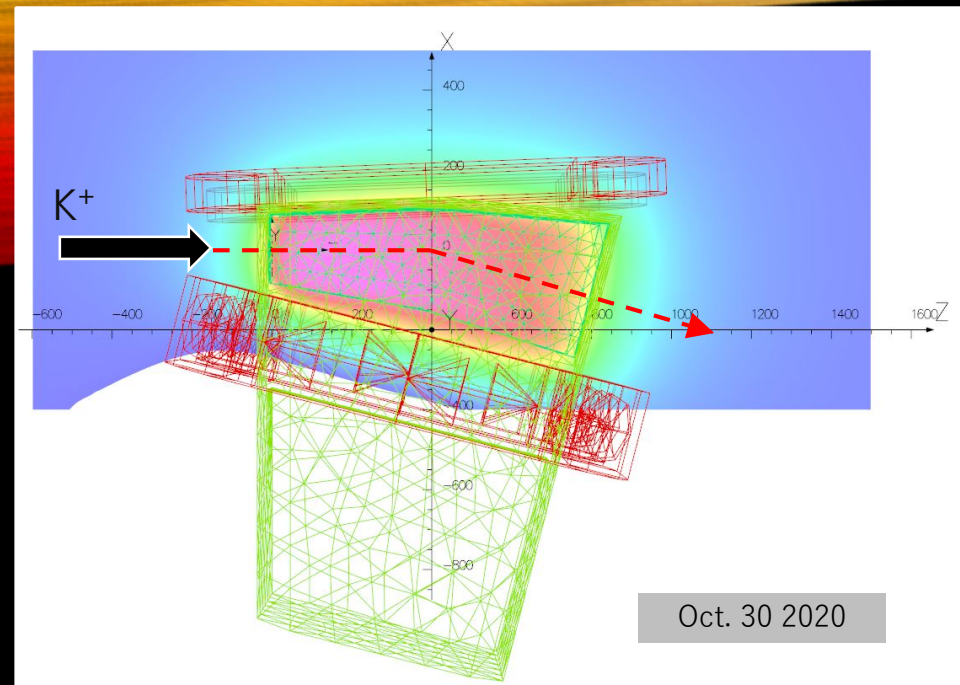
# Experimental Setup



Taken from Sho's slides (Tohoku Univ.)



# MAGNETIC FIELD MEASUREMENT



Taken from Sho's slides (Tohoku Univ.)

C12-19-002 ( ${}^3_{}{}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ )

# HYPERTRITON ( ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ ) PUZZLE

Small  $B_{\Lambda}$

vs.

Short Lifetime



$$\begin{cases} B_{\Lambda} = 0.13 \pm 0.05 \text{ MeV (emulsion}^1) \\ B_{\Lambda} = 0.41 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.11 \text{ MeV (STAR}^2) \end{cases}$$

➔ RMS radius,  $\sqrt{\langle r^2 \rangle} \cong \frac{\hbar}{\sqrt{4\mu B_{\Lambda}}}$

$$\tau = (0.5 \sim 0.92) \tau_{\Lambda}$$

(HypHI, STAR, ALICE)

Fadееv calculation with realistic NN/YN interactions

➔  $\tau = 0.97 \tau_{\Lambda}$

(H. Kamada *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. C* **57**, 4 (1998))

<sup>1</sup> M. Juric *et al.*, *Nucl. Phys. B* **52**, 1-30 (1973).

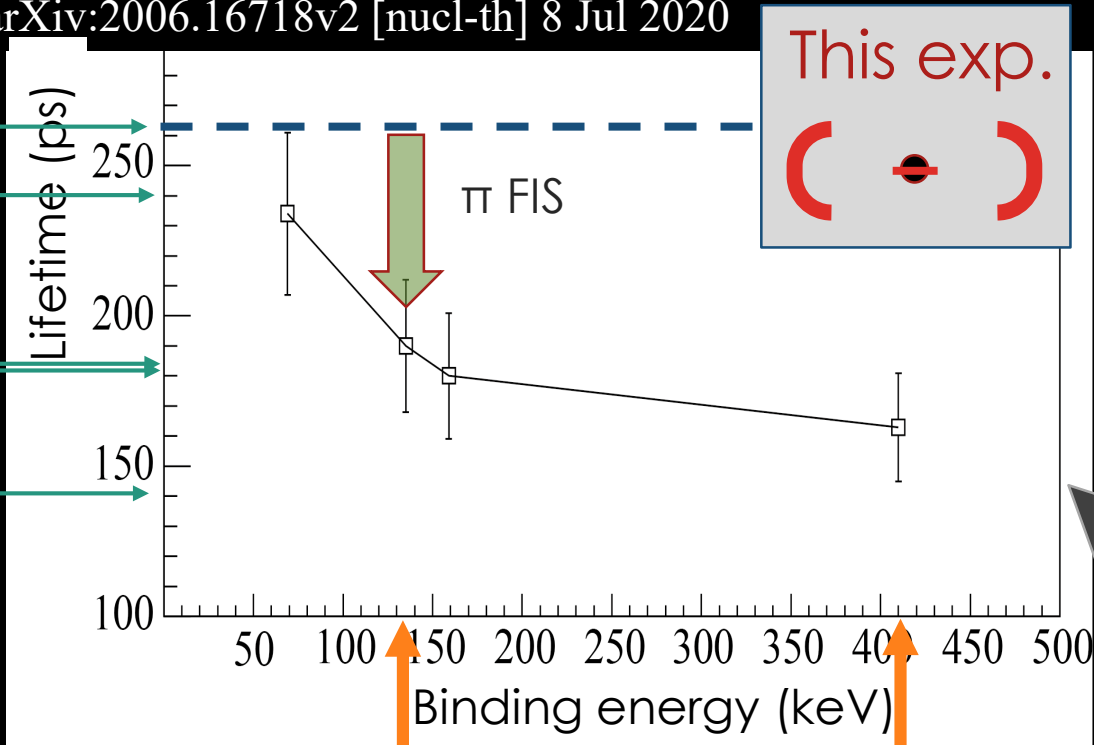
<sup>2</sup> The STAR Collaboration, *Nature Physics* (2020);  
<https://doi.org/10.1038/s41567-020-0799-7>



# LIFETIME VS. BINDING ENERGY OF ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$

arXiv:2006.16718v2 [nucl-th] 8 Jul 2020

Free  $\Lambda$   
ALICE 2  
HypHI  
ALICE 1  
STAR



**Emulsion**  
NPB52 (1973)1—30  
2BD:  $60 \pm 110$  keV  
3BD:  $230 \pm 110$  keV

**STAR**  
PRA982 (2019)811—814  
2BD:  $176 \pm 150$  keV  
3BD:  $586 \pm 160$  keV

ex.) Decay width of 2BD channel:

$$\frac{\Gamma_{\Lambda^3\text{H} \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} + \pi^-}}{(G_F m_\pi^2)^2} \approx \frac{q}{\pi} \frac{M_{^3\text{He}}}{M_{^3\text{He}} + \omega_{\pi^-}(q)} \times \left[ \mathcal{A}_\Lambda^2 + \frac{1}{9} \mathcal{B}_\Lambda^2 \left( \frac{k_{\pi^-}}{2M} \right)^2 \right] 3|F^{\text{PV}}(q)|^2$$

Spin indep. amp.

Form factor  
( $\pi$  FSI is included)

Spin dep. amp.

$$\propto \sqrt{B_\Lambda}$$

Proposed experiment (C12-19-002)

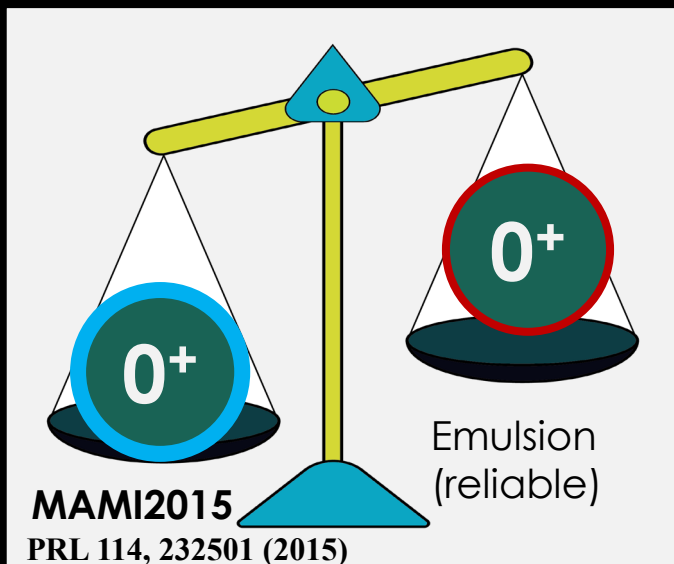
$|\Delta B^{\text{stat.}}| = 30$  keV,  $|\Delta B^{\text{sys.}}| = 70$  keV

**Best Accuracy on  $B_\Lambda({}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H})$**

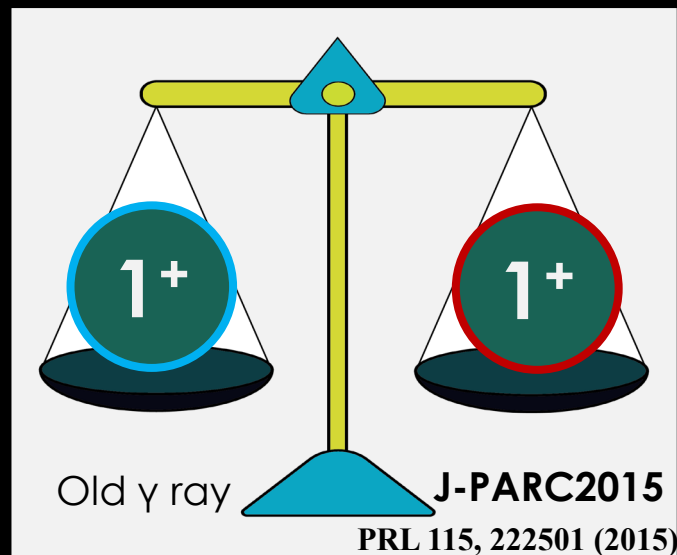
→ Pin down the hyperon puzzle

# CHARGE SYMMETRY BREAKING IN THE $\Lambda N$ INTERACTION

Unbalanced



Balanced



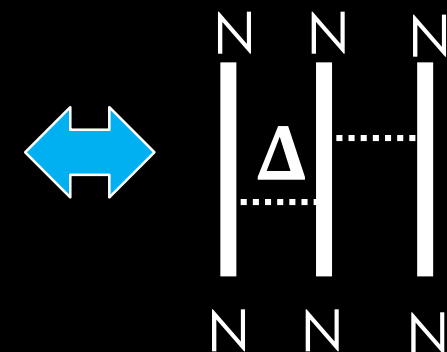
Mirror  
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$\Lambda N$ - $\Sigma N$  3BF<sup>(1)</sup>



Fujita-Miyazawa 3BF<sup>(2)</sup>



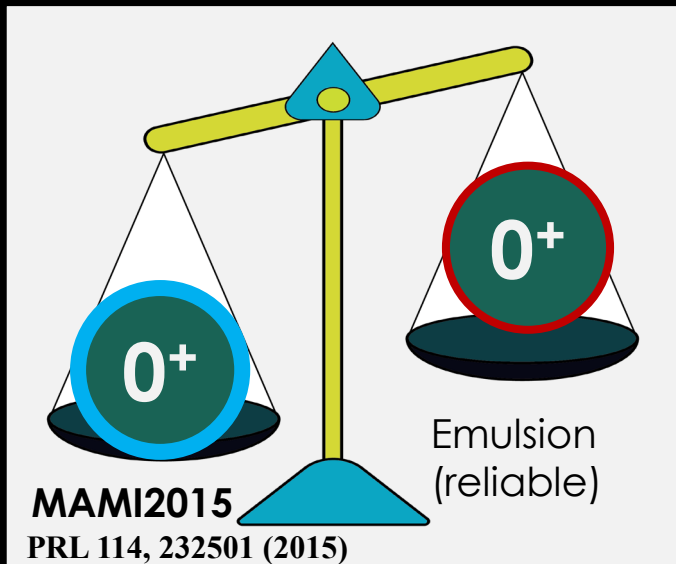
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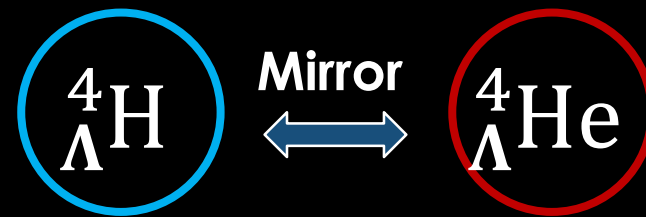
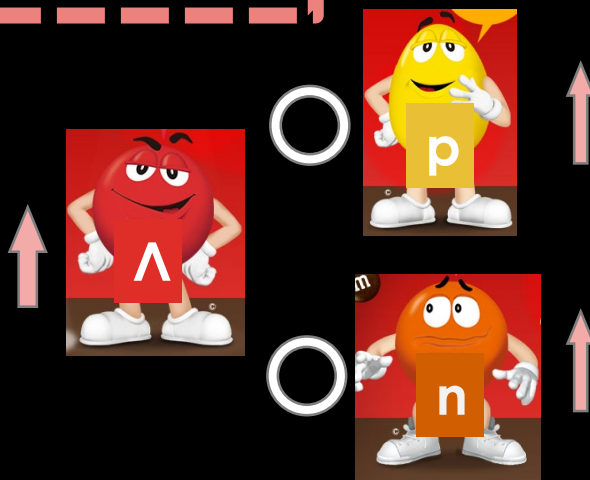
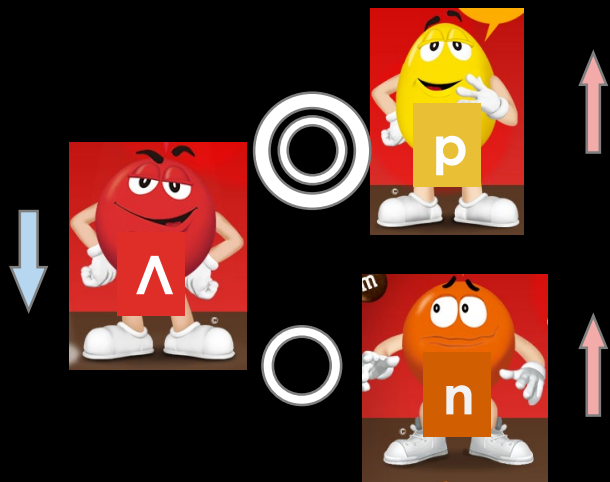
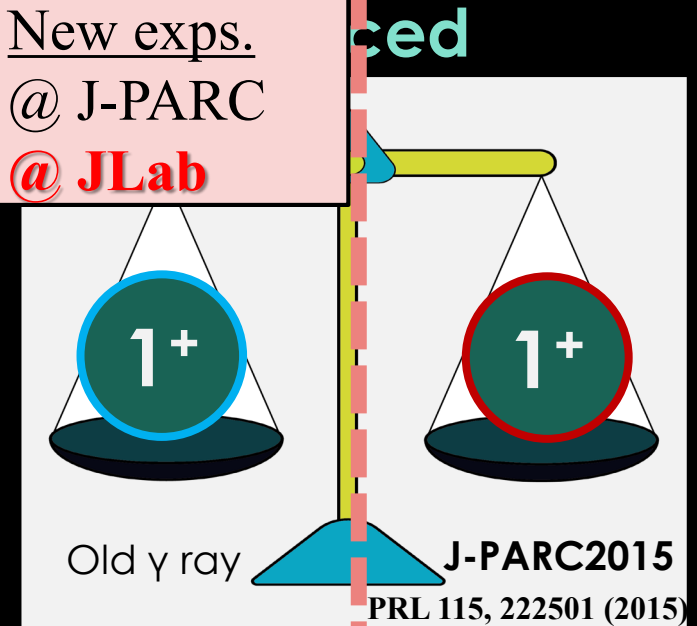
(2) J. Fujita and H. Miyazawa,  
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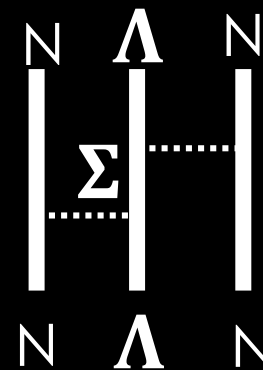
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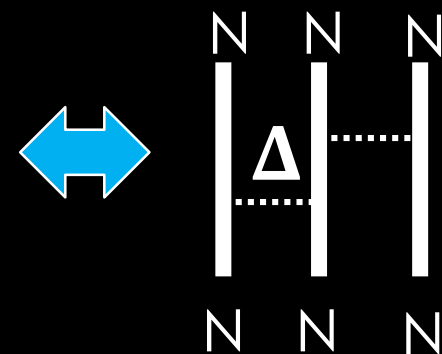
New expts.  
@ J-PARC  
@ JLab



$\Lambda N$ - $\Sigma N$  3BF<sup>(1)</sup>



Fujita-Miyazawa 3BF<sup>(2)</sup>



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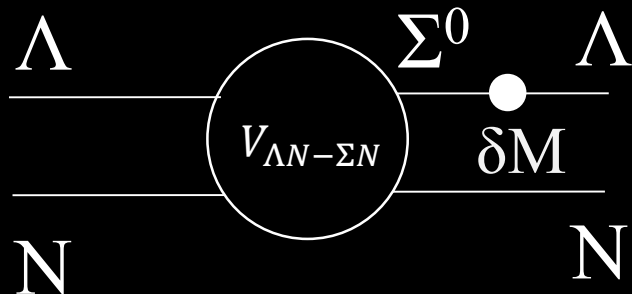
# BASIC INFORMATION FOR THE $\Lambda N$ CSB STUDY: ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He} - {}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$

## Explicit inclusion of $\Sigma$

A. Gal, Phys. Lett. B 744, 352 (2015)

D. Gazda and A. Gal, Phys. Rev. Lett. 116, 122501 (2016)

A. Gal et al., IOP Conf. Series: Jour. Phys.: Conf. Ser. 966 (2018) 012006



$$\langle N\Lambda | V_{CSB} | N\Lambda \rangle = -0.0297 \tau_{Nz} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \langle N\Sigma | V_{CS} | N\Lambda \rangle$$

## Phenomenological potential

E. Hiyama et al., Phys. Rev. C 80, 054321 (2009).

M. Isaka et al., Phys. Rev. C 101, 024301 (2020).

$$V_{\Lambda N}^{\text{CSB}}(r) = -\frac{\tau_z}{2} \left[ \frac{1 + P_r}{2} \left( v_0^{\text{even,CSB}} + \sigma_{\Lambda} \cdot \sigma_N v_{\sigma_{\Lambda} \cdot \sigma_N}^{\text{even,CSB}} \right) e^{-\beta_{\text{even}} r^2} + \frac{1 - P_r}{2} \left( v_0^{\text{odd,CSB}} + \sigma_{\Lambda} \cdot \sigma_N v_{\sigma_{\Lambda} \cdot \sigma_N}^{\text{odd,CSB}} \right) e^{-\beta_{\text{odd}} r^2} \right]$$

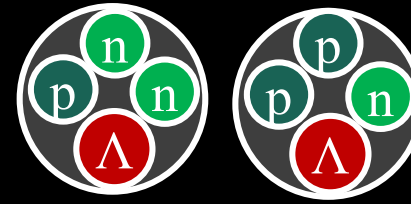
**Fundamental benchmark**



**CSB interaction**

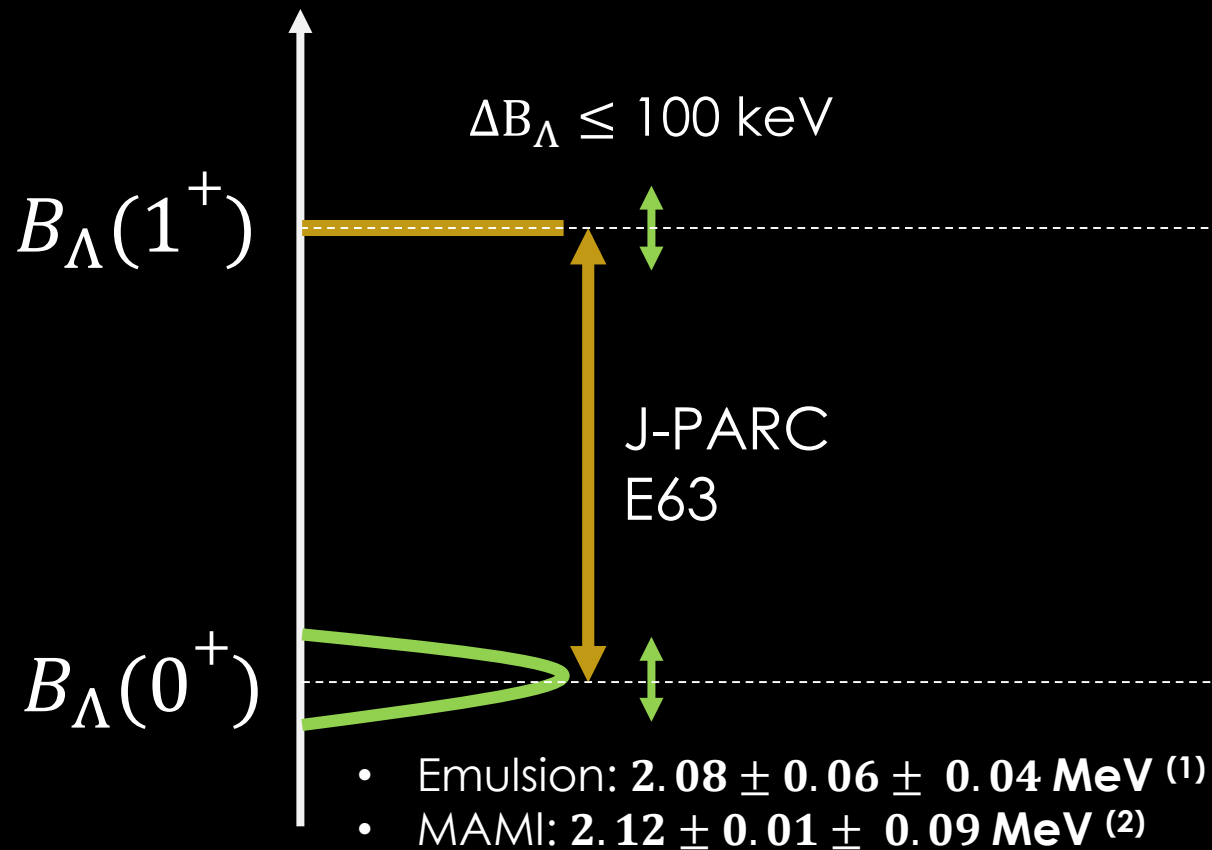


# HOW WE CONFIRM THE $B_{\Lambda}({}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}; 1^+)$



Conventional way

Proposed exp.



$\Delta B_{\Lambda} \leq 100 \text{ keV}$

C12-19-002  
(2 days)



Absolute Energy Measurement:

- Very unique (direct meas.)
- Complementary with other data

(1) NPB 52, 1-30 (1973)

(2) PRL 114, 232501 (2015)



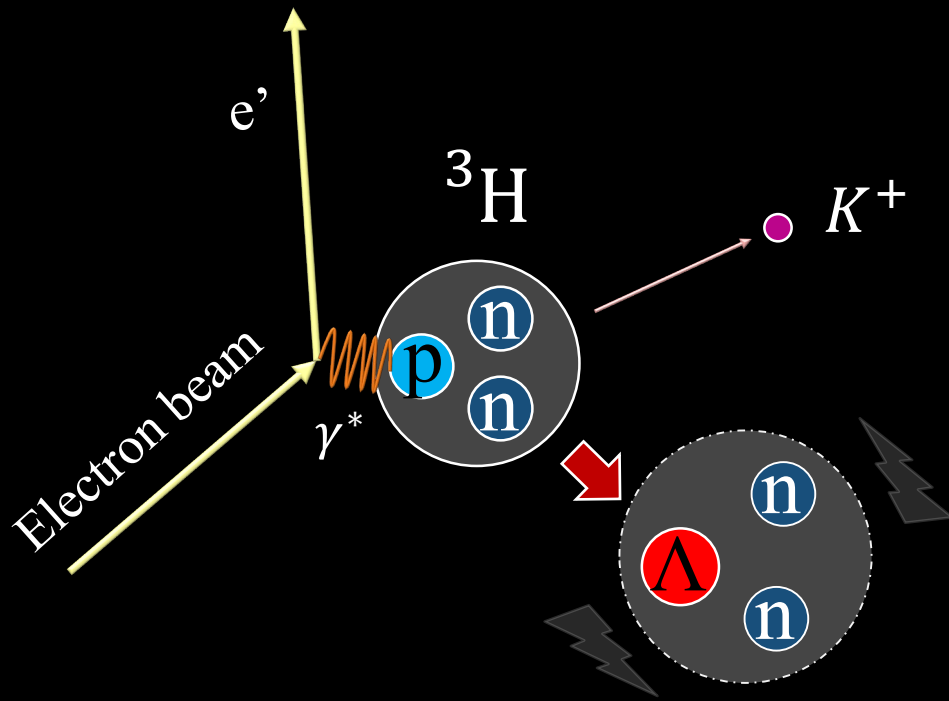
E12-17-003 (nnΛ)



# nn $\Lambda$ search experiment at JLab

${}^3\text{H}(e, e'K^+)nn\Lambda$  with HRSs

E12-17-003 (Oct 30—Nov 25, 2018)



We have sensitivity to both bound and resonant states

# STUDENTS WHO ANALYZE DATA

Independent analyses are in progress by students to doublecheck (triplecheck) results



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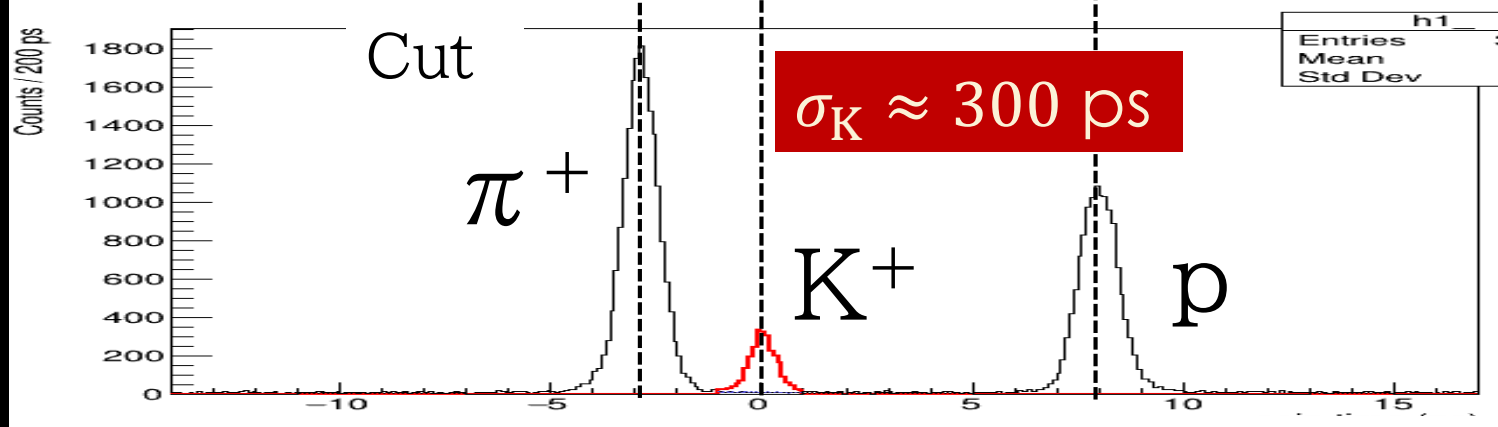
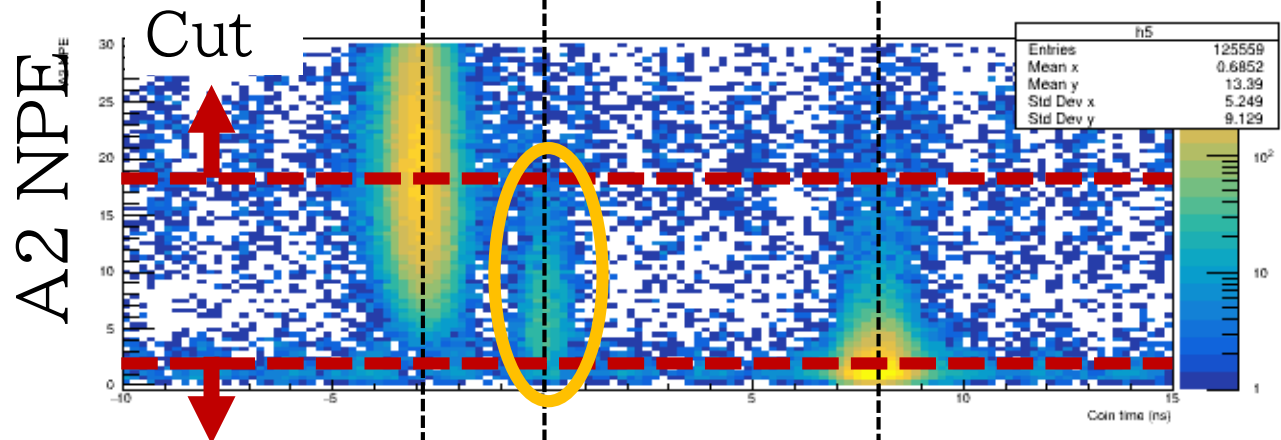
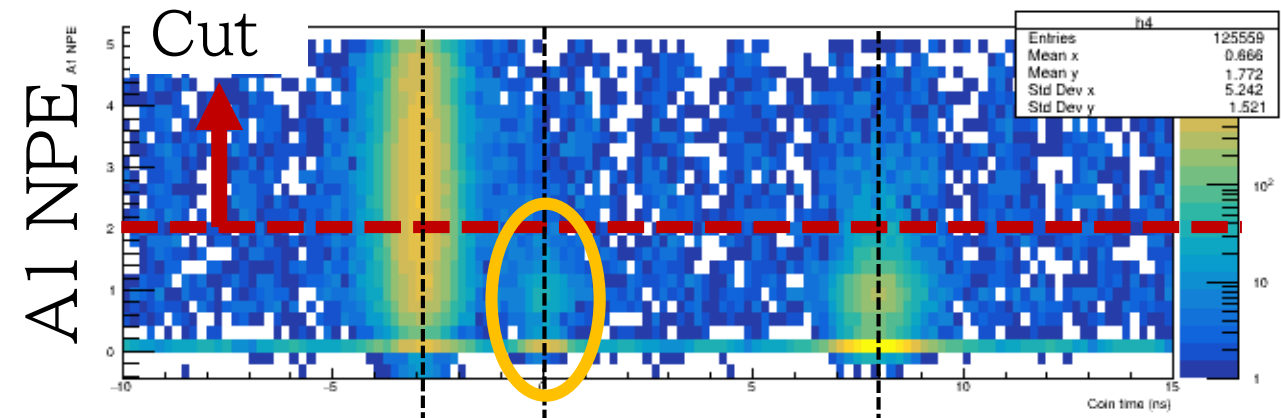
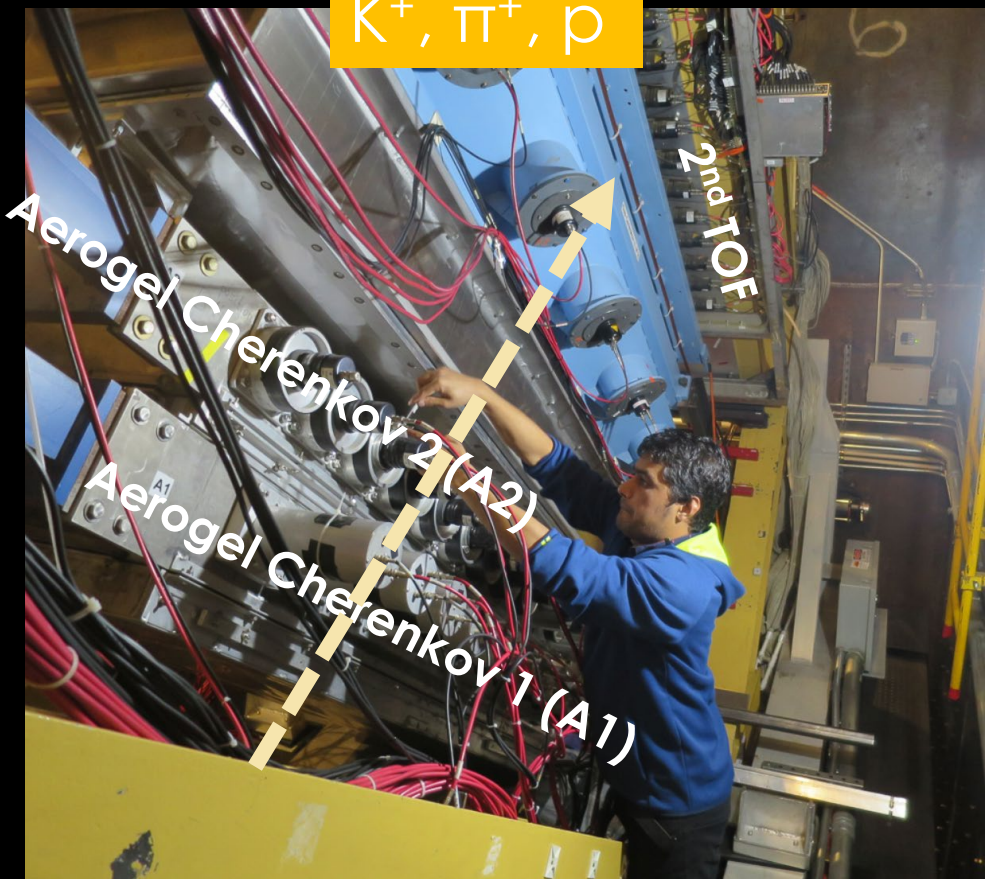
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An FSI, elementary production, nn $\Lambda$  search/CS, etc.



# KAON IDENTIFICATION

$K^+$ ,  $\pi^+$ , p



Timing consistency between L and R assuming  $m_K$  → Coin time (ns)



# CALIBRATION

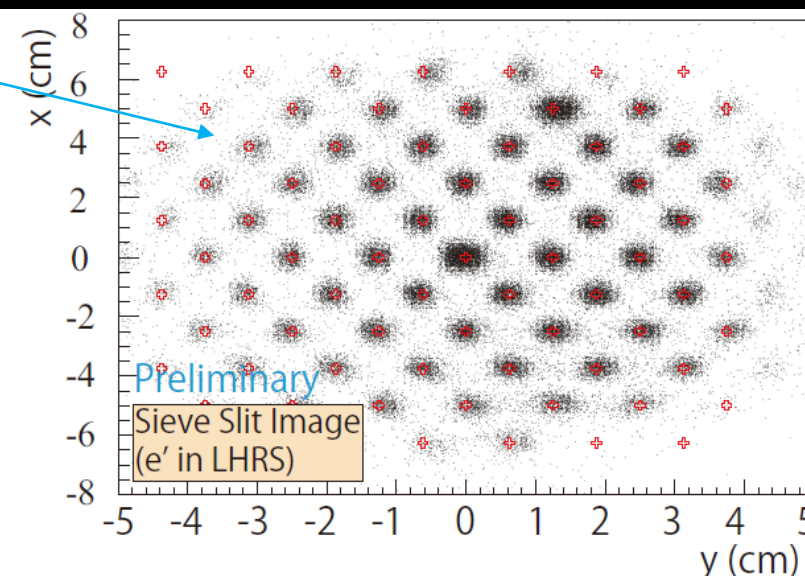
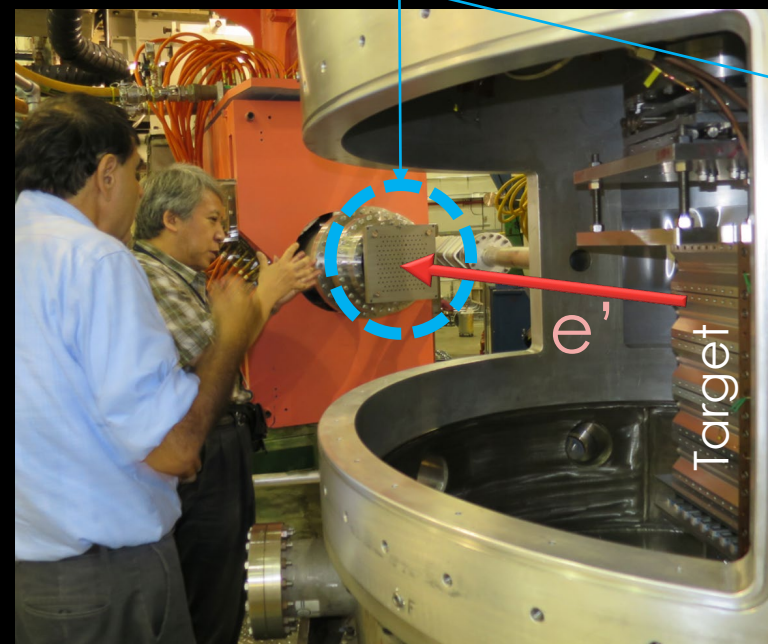
5<sup>th</sup> order matrix ( $z_t < 2$ )

Angle calibration

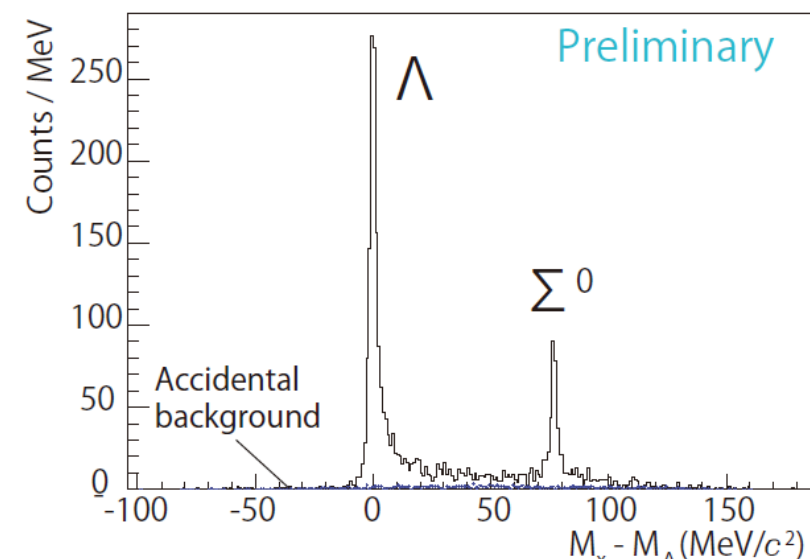
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Momentum calibration

Sieve Slit



**FIGURE 1.** A reconstructed particle image at the sieve slit for the sieve slit data in LHRS ( $e'$ ). Matrix parameters for reconstruction of angle at target were calibrated by using the sieve slit image.  $\pi^-$ s were eliminated by an event selection of light yield of a gas Cherenkov detector ( $\text{CO}_2$ ) [41] installed in LHRS.



**FIGURE 2.** A preliminary missing mass spectrum of  $\Lambda$  and  $\Sigma^0$  from a  $71\text{-mg}/\text{cm}^2$   $\text{H}_2$  gas target for a kinematics condition of M-Kine in JLab E12-17-003. The beam charge on the  $\text{H}_2$  target with M-Kine was about 2.5 C. The mass resolution is about  $3.5 \text{ MeV}/c^2$  (FWHM).

# Data vs. Geant4 (sim) for T<sub>2</sub> target

Momentum

$x_{FP}$  (cm)

$y_{FP}$  (cm)

$x'_{FP}$

$y'_{FP}$

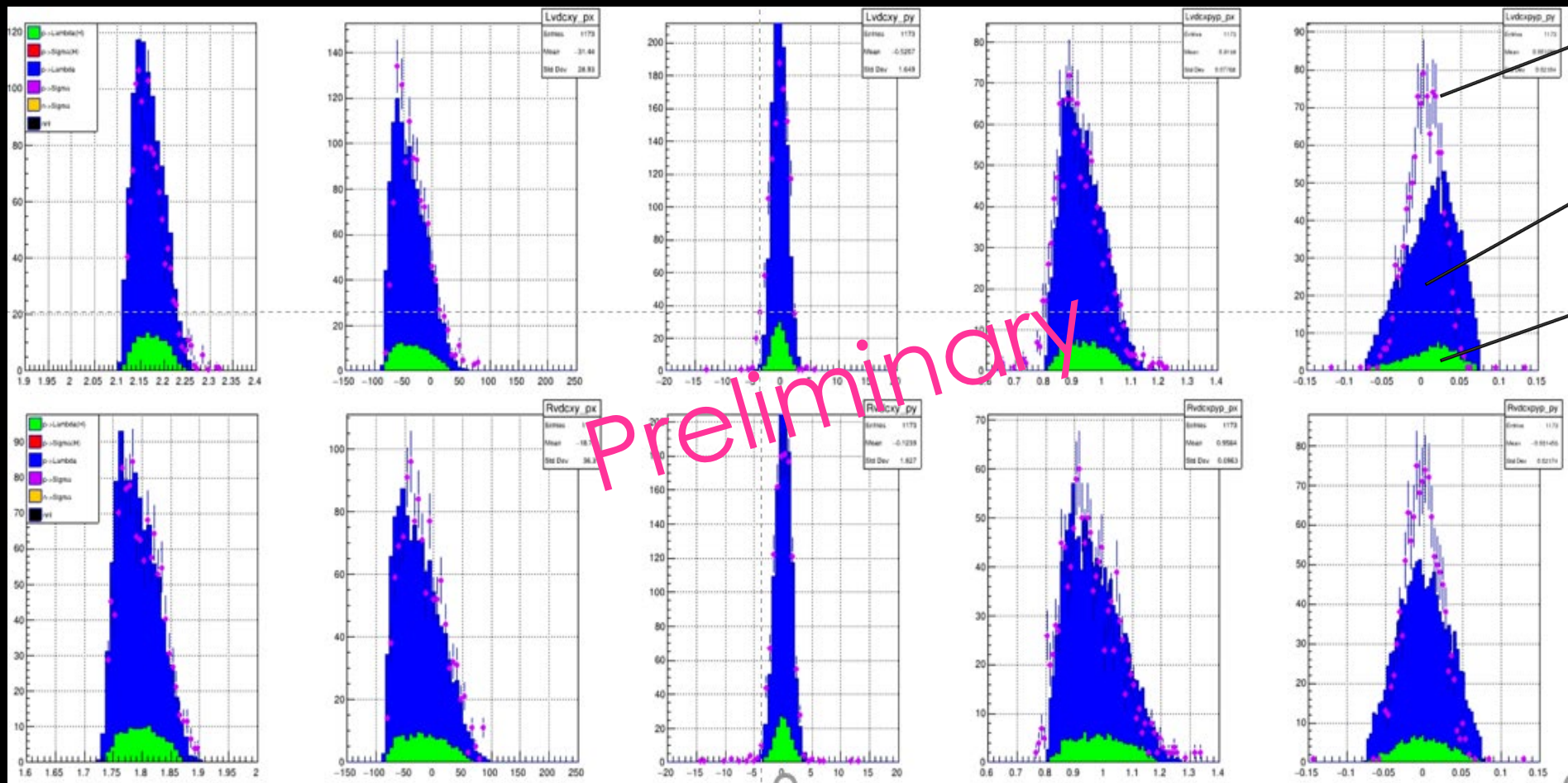
DATA ( $\Lambda$ ,  $\Sigma$ )

G4 SIM. (T2)

G4 SIM. (H)  
H contamination

→ Acceptance evaluation  
→ Cross section

Preliminary

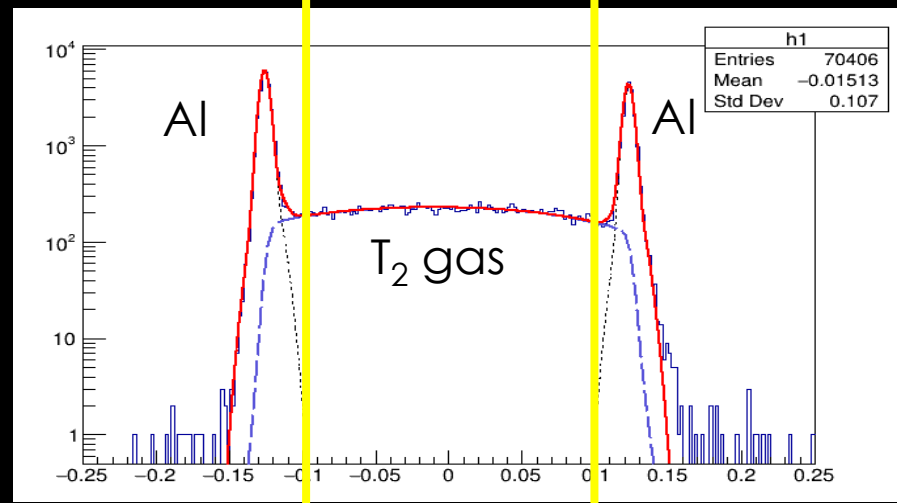
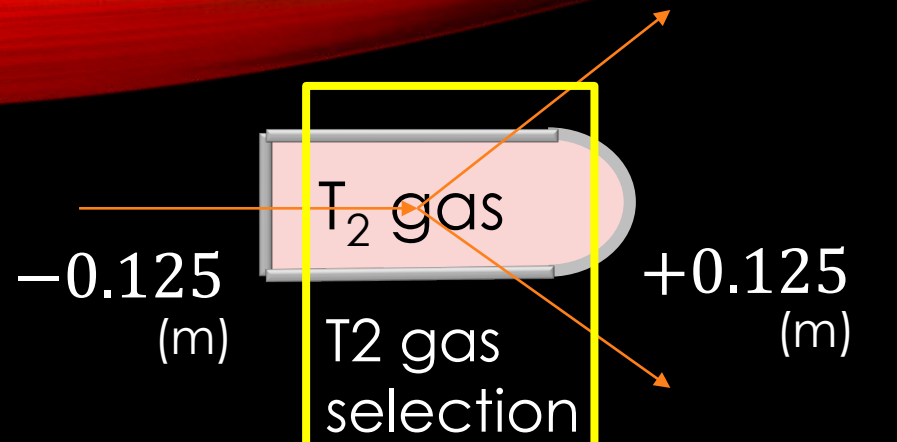


L-HRS  
(e')

R-HRS  
(K<sup>+</sup>)



# PRELIMINARY ${}^3\text{H}(e, e'K^+)nn\Lambda$



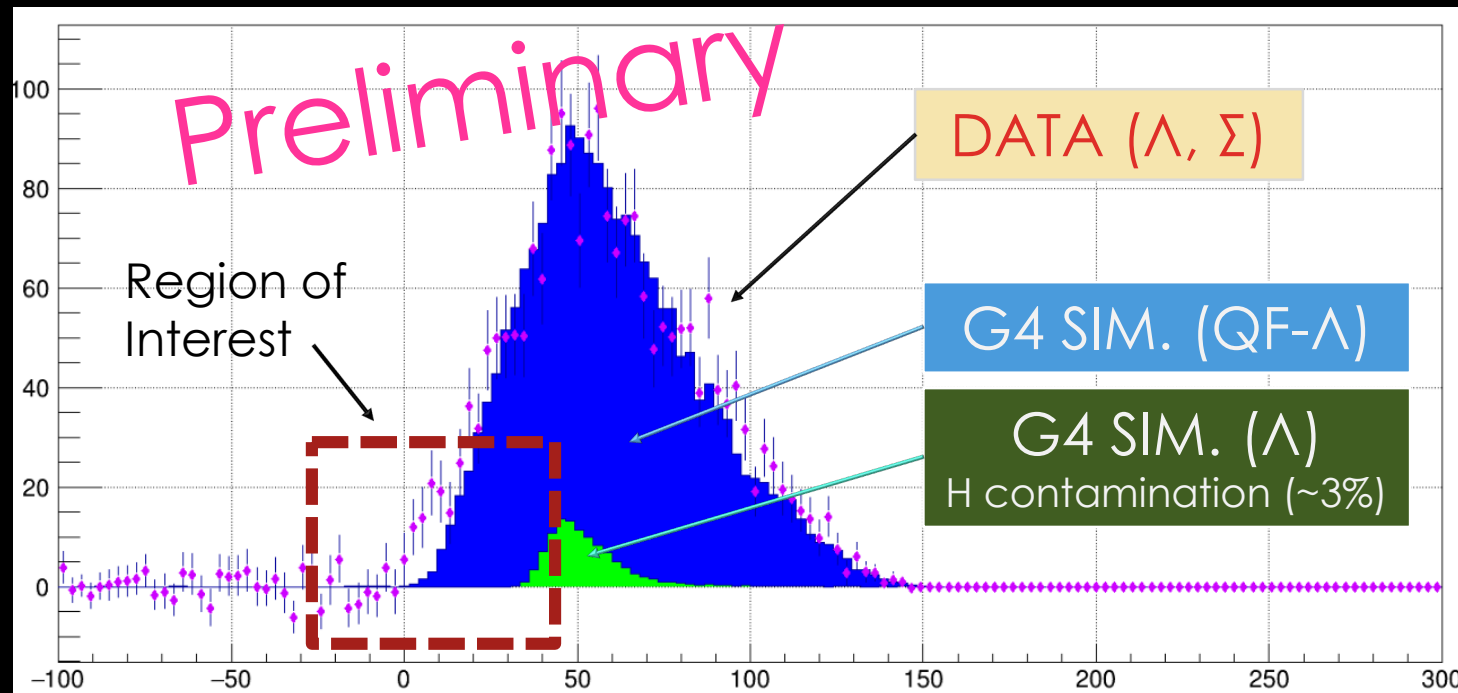
FWHM = 8.5 mm  
(by two arms)

$z_t$  (m)



Figure made by K.N. Suzuki 2021 (Kyoto)

Counts

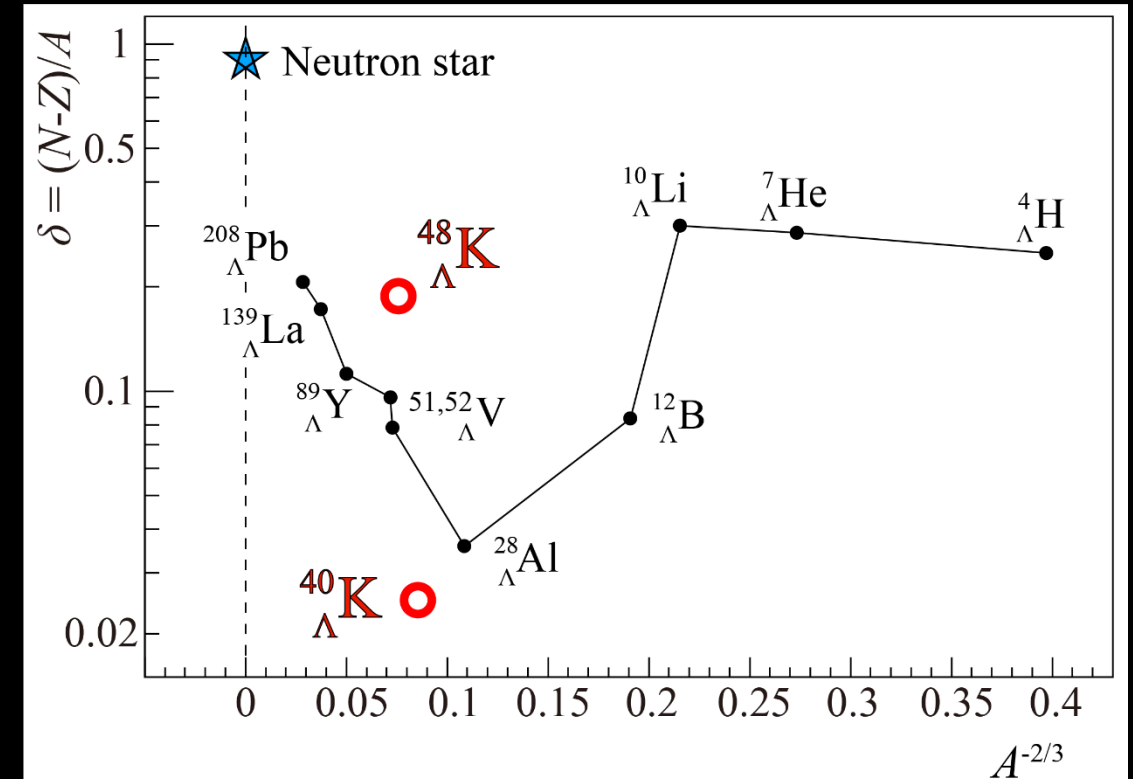
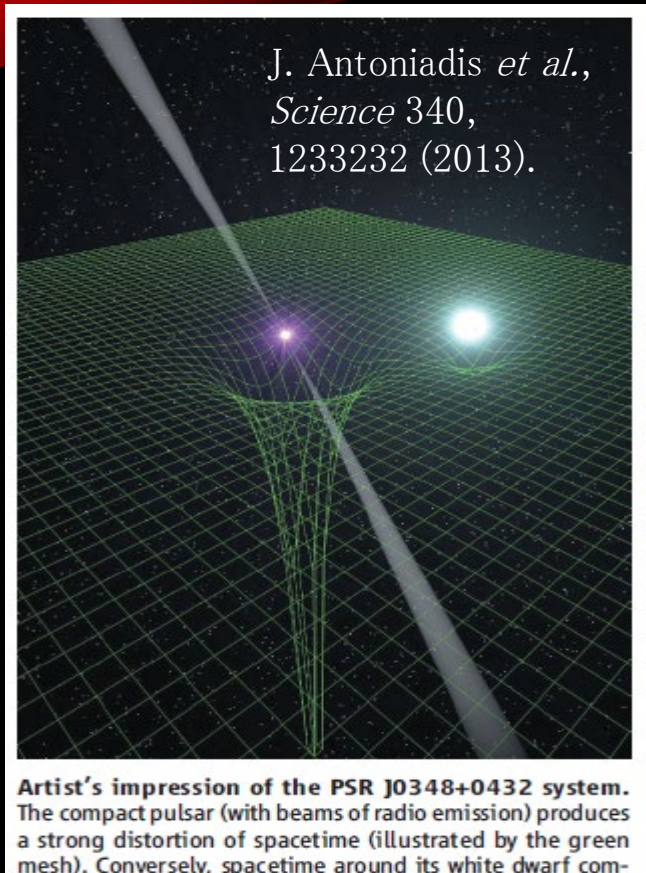


$-B_\Lambda [= M_x - (M_\Lambda + 2M_n)]$  (MeV)



E12-15-008 ( ${}^{40,48}_{\Lambda}\text{K}$ )

# Study of isospin dependence through precise measurement of ${}^{40,48}\text{Ca}(e, e'K^+){}^{40,48}_{\Lambda}\text{K}$



Neutron star:

- ✓ Very dense nuclear matter ( $\delta = \frac{N-Z}{A} \sim 0.9$ )
- ✓  $\leq 2M_{\odot} \Leftrightarrow \Lambda$  inclusion (hyperon puzzle)

$B_{\Lambda}({}^{40,48}_{\Lambda}\text{K})$  with high precision

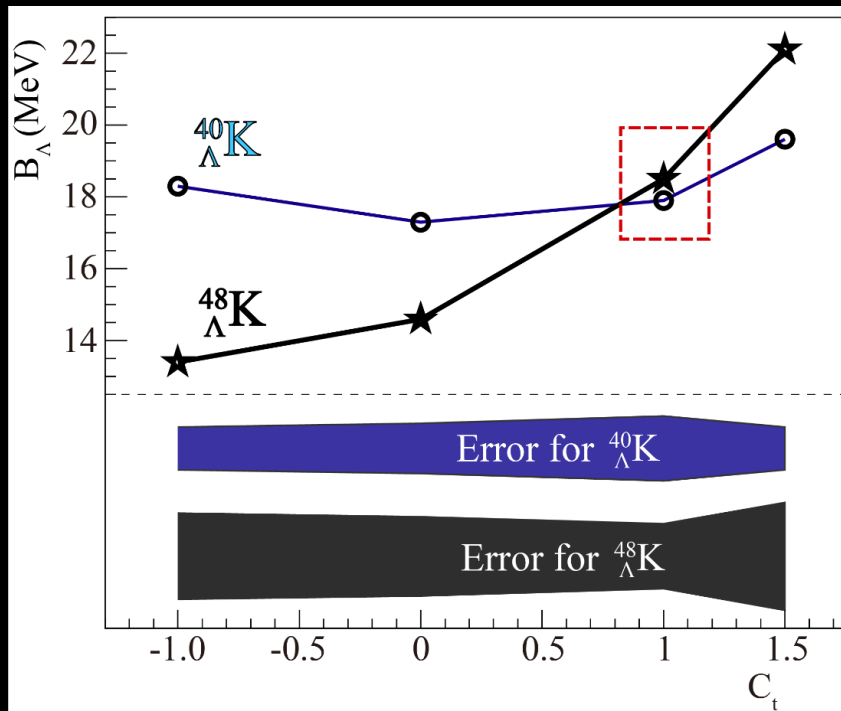


**Isospin dependence  
of the  $NNA$  interaction**

# $\Lambda NN$ isospin dependence

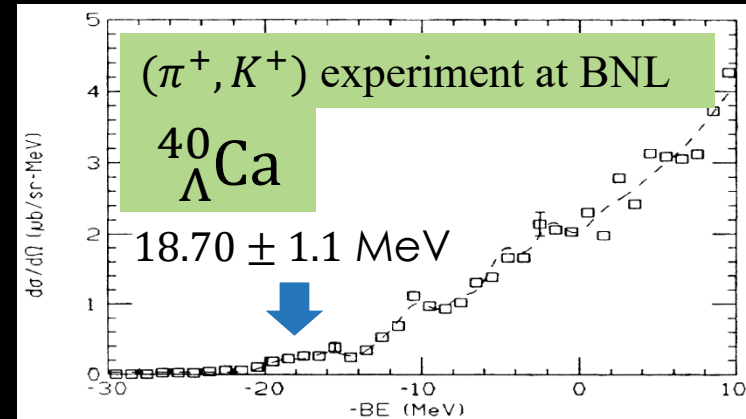
## AFDMC calculation

(F. Paderiva et al., arXiv:1506.04042v1 (2015))

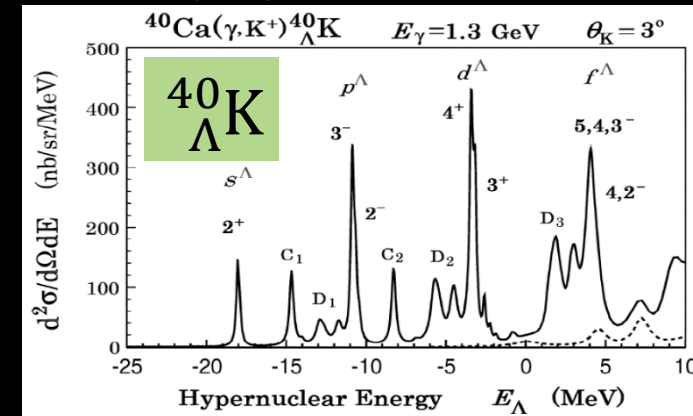


$C_t$ : Strength factor for the isospin triplet term

P. H. Pile et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 66, 20 (1991).



T. Motoba et al., Prog. Theor. Phys. Suppl., 185, 224 (2010).



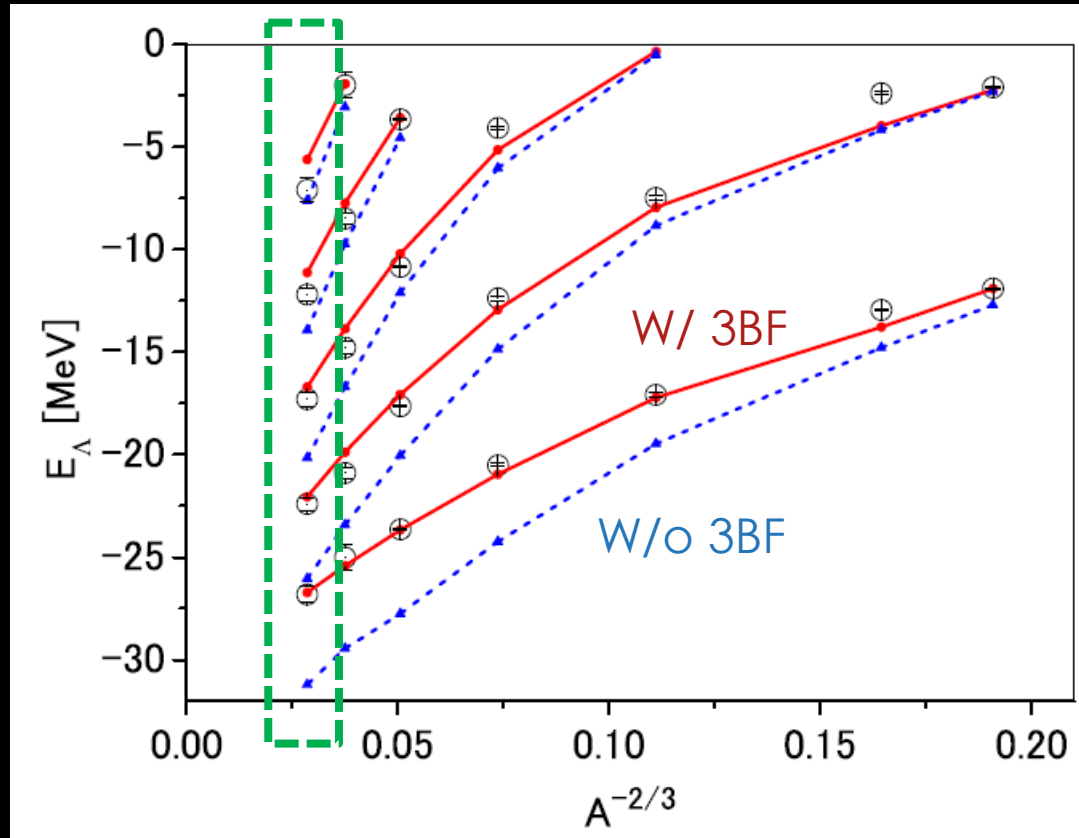
$B_\Lambda({}^{40}_\Lambda\text{K}) - B_\Lambda({}^{48}_\Lambda\text{K})$   
with **< 100 keV accuracy**  
→ Insights for the isospin dependence of  $\Lambda NN$  force



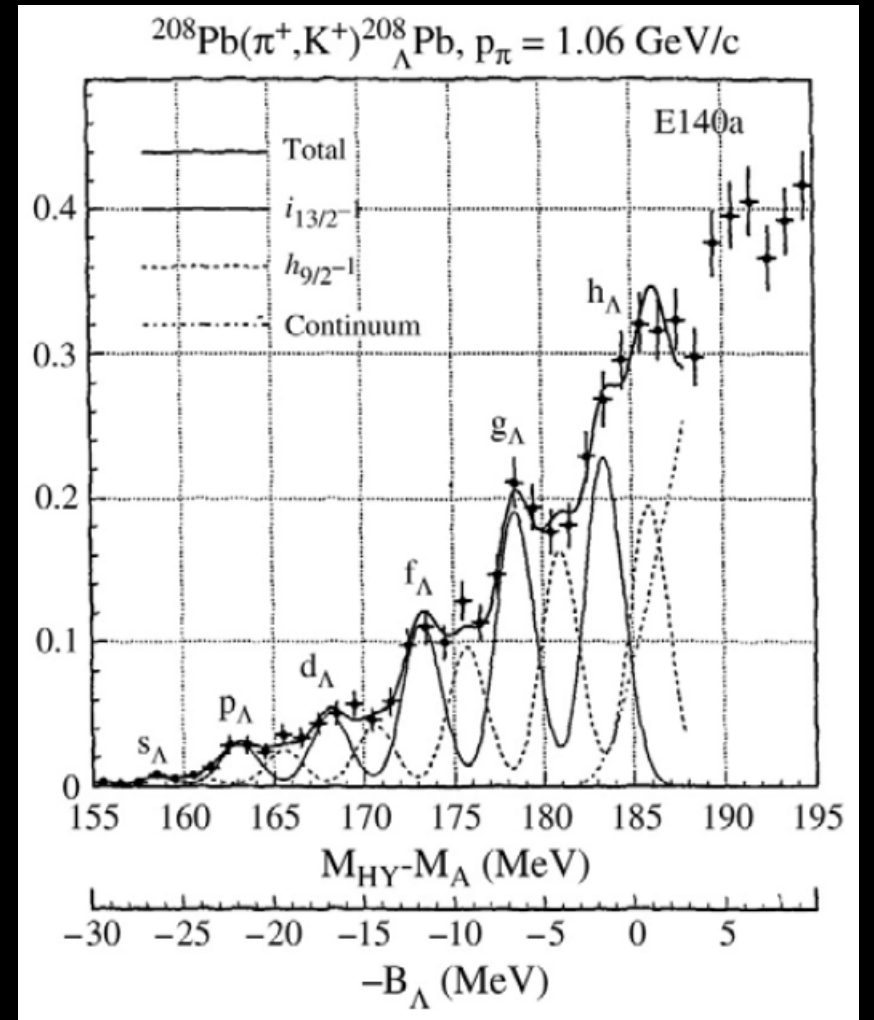
E12-20-013 ( $^{208}_{\Lambda}\text{Tl}$ )

# THREE BODY FORCE

ESC16+ / ESC16



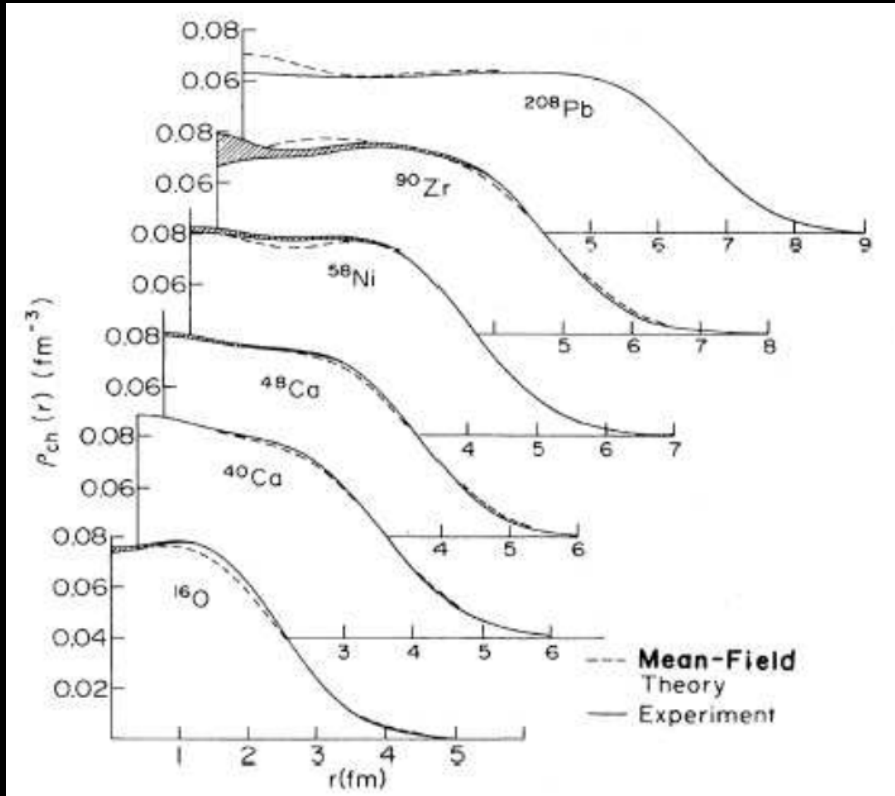
M. M. Nagels et al., Phys. Rev. C 99, 044003 (2019)



T. Hasegawa et al., Phys. Rev. C 53 (1996) 1210.

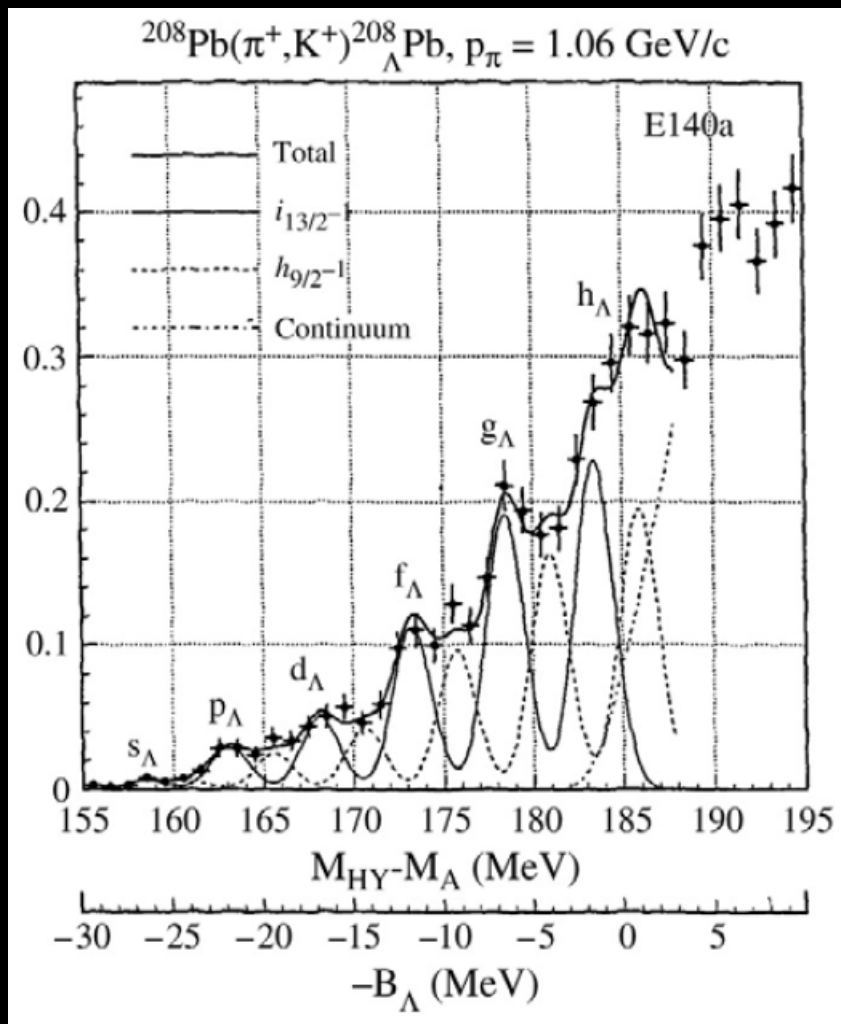
# $\Lambda$ in (almost) nuclear matter

B. Frois and C.N. Papanicolas, Ann. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci. 37, 133 (1987)

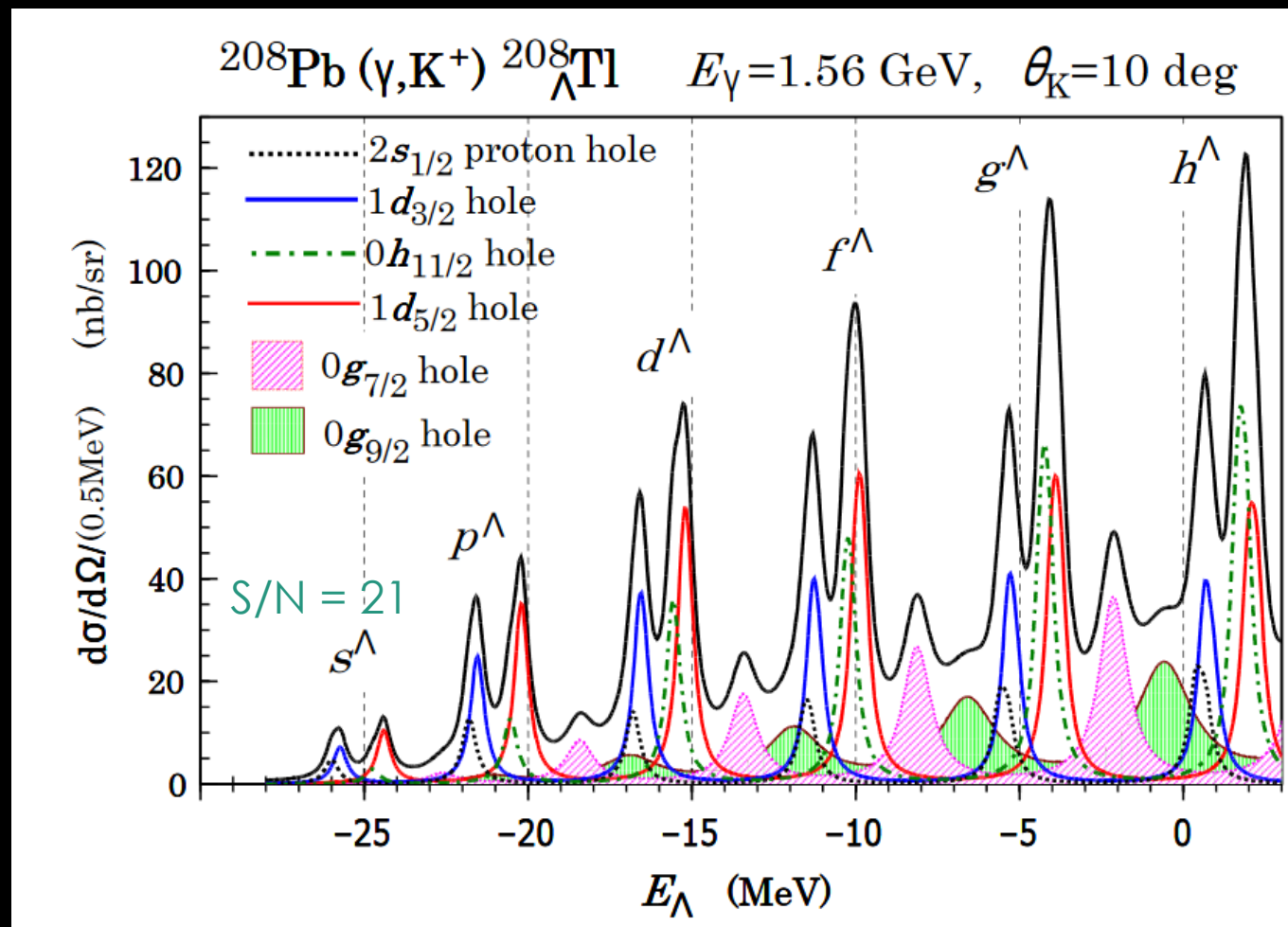


Deeply bound protons in the  $^{208}\text{Pb}$  ground state largely unaffected by finite size and shell effect  
→ It behave as if they were in **nuclear matter**  
→ The use of a  $^{208}\text{Pb}$  target appears to be uniquely suited to study  $\Lambda$  interactions in a uniform nuclear medium with **large neutron excess**

# TOWARD PRECISE SPECTROSCOPY



T. Hasegawa et al., Phys. Rev. C 53 (1996) 1210.



T. Motoba, JPS Conf. Proc. 17, 011003 (2017)

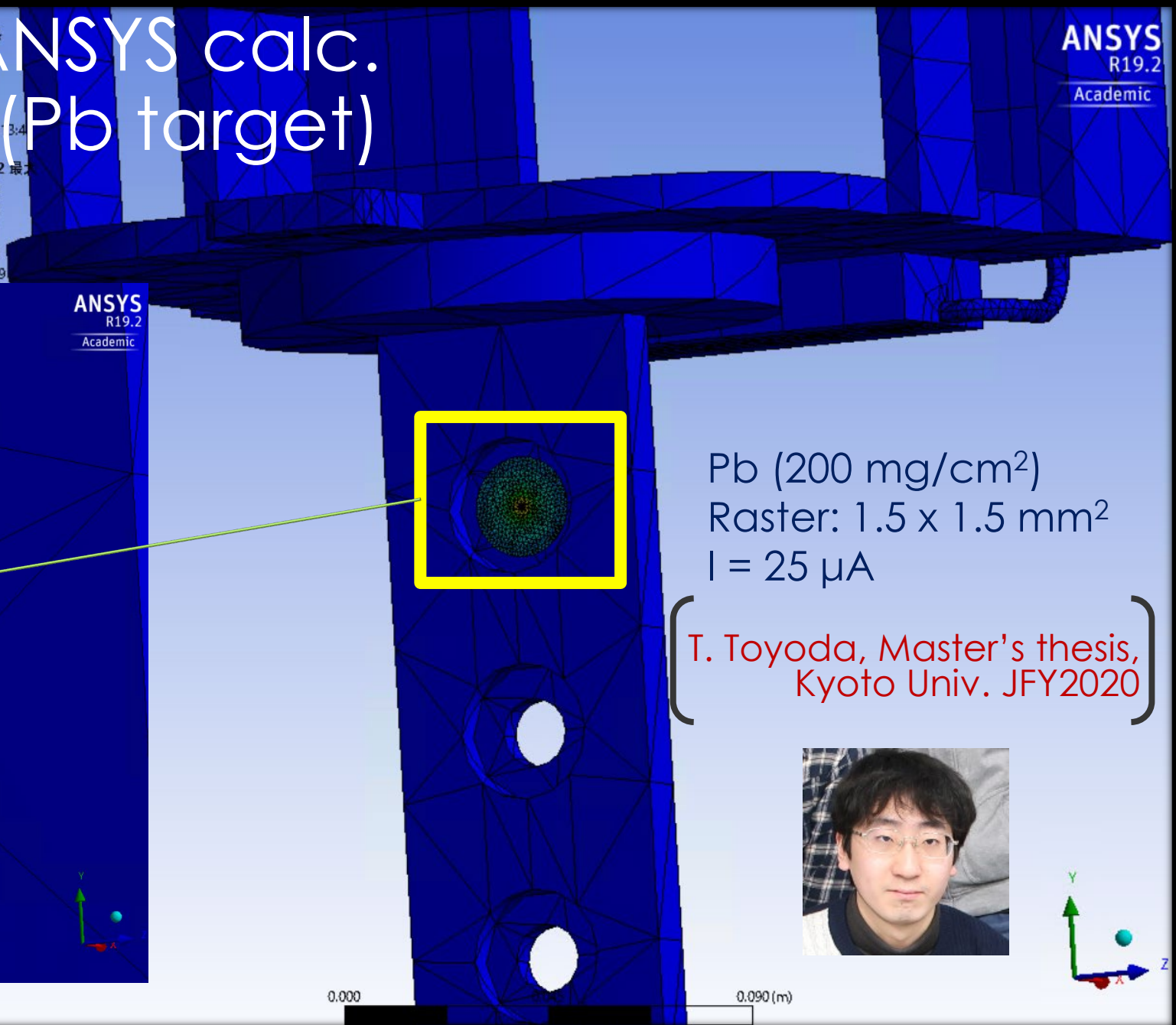
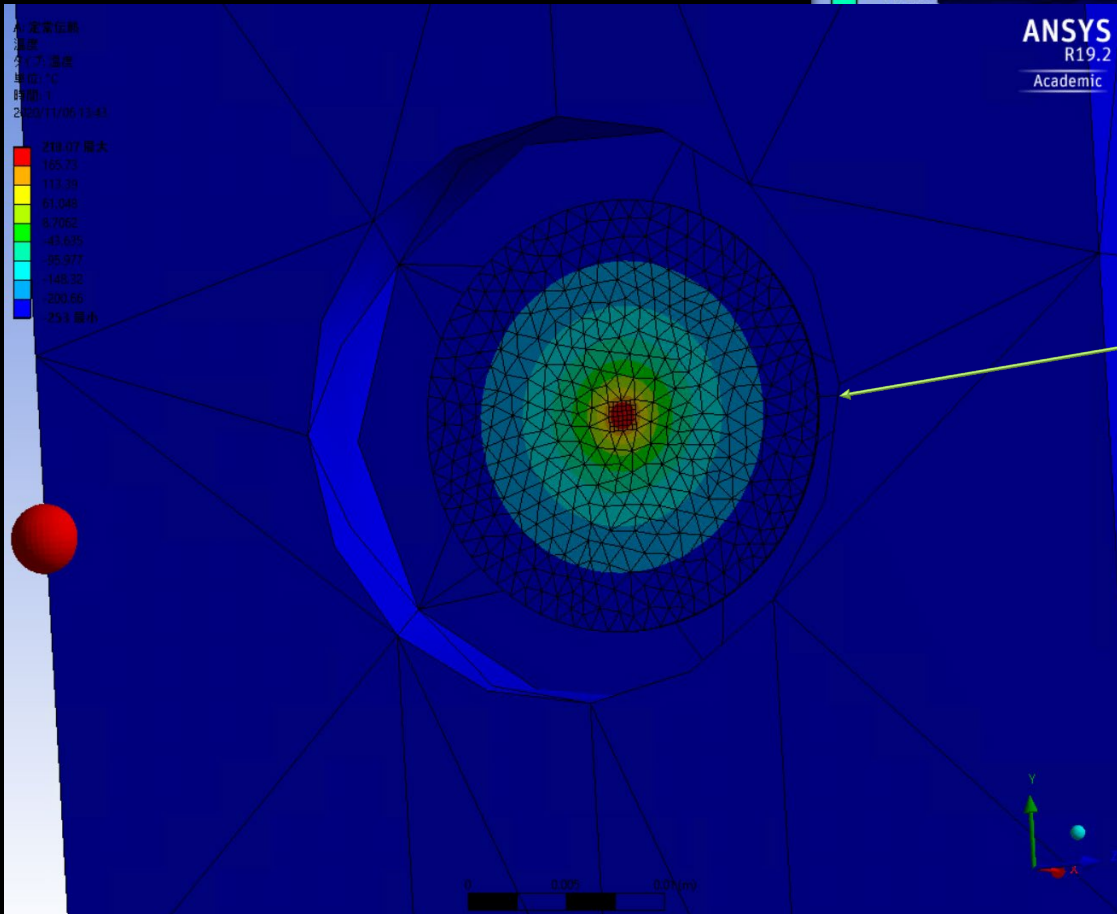


# ANSYS calc. w/ simple model (Pb target)

A: 定常状態  
温度  
タイプ: 温度  
単位: °C  
時間:  
2022/1/06 13:4

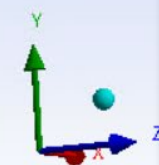
290.92	最大
230.48	
170.05	
109.61	
49.176	
-11.259	

ANSYS  
R19.2  
Academic



Pb ( $200 \text{ mg/cm}^2$ )  
Raster:  $1.5 \times 1.5 \text{ mm}^2$   
 $I = 25 \mu\text{A}$

T. Toyoda, Master's thesis,  
Kyoto Univ. JFY2020



# ACCIDENTAL RATE ESTIMATIONS



Geant4 (PCS+HRS+HKS) + Physics Event Generators  
(K. Katayama, Master's Thesis, Kyoto Univ. 2020)

Target	Thickness (mg/cm <sup>2</sup> )	Beam Current (μA)	e' (kHz)	ρ (kHz)	π (kHz)	Acc. rate (kHz)	Acc. rate w/ Chernkovs (kHz)
<sup>12</sup> C	100	100	21.5	56	71	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.023</b>
<sup>40</sup> Ca	100	50	64.5	48	71	<b>1.2</b>	<b>0.060</b>
<sup>208</sup> Pb	100	25	97.0	22	33	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.041</b>
<sup>3</sup> He+ <sup>27</sup> Al	37+160	50	71.8	95	170	<b>2.8</b>	<b>0.13</b>
<sup>4</sup> He+ <sup>27</sup> Al	74+160	50	74.0	112	197	<b>3.4</b>	<b>0.16</b>

# SUMMARY

- ① E12-17-003 ( ${}^3_{\Lambda}n$ ): nn $\Lambda$  puzzle,  $\Lambda N$  interaction
- ② C12-19-002 ( ${}^{3,4}_{\Lambda}H$ ): hypertriton puzzle, CSB issue = **25 days (requesting)**
- ③ E12-15-008 ( ${}^{40,48}_{\Lambda}K$ ):  $\Lambda NN$  isospin interaction = **28 days (approved)**
- ④ E12-20-013 ( ${}^{208}_{\Lambda}Tl$ ):  $\Lambda NN$  3BF in uniform nuclear medium = **20 days (approved)**

- Spectrometer system
  - PCS was constructed → needs to be transported to JLab
  - HKS base design/construction
- Detectors
  - New WC → Design was done (Master's thesis, Tohoku Univ. JFY2020)
  - Need detectors' commissioning
- Target
  - Basic concept to integrate solids and He targets was agreed
  - Detailed design with JLab target group will be done
- Software
  - Geant4 → Trigger rate / yield / resolutions were estimated
  - FPGA → Being developed (Master's thesis, Kyoto Univ. JFY2020)
  - Analyzer needs to be developed



Ready by 2022

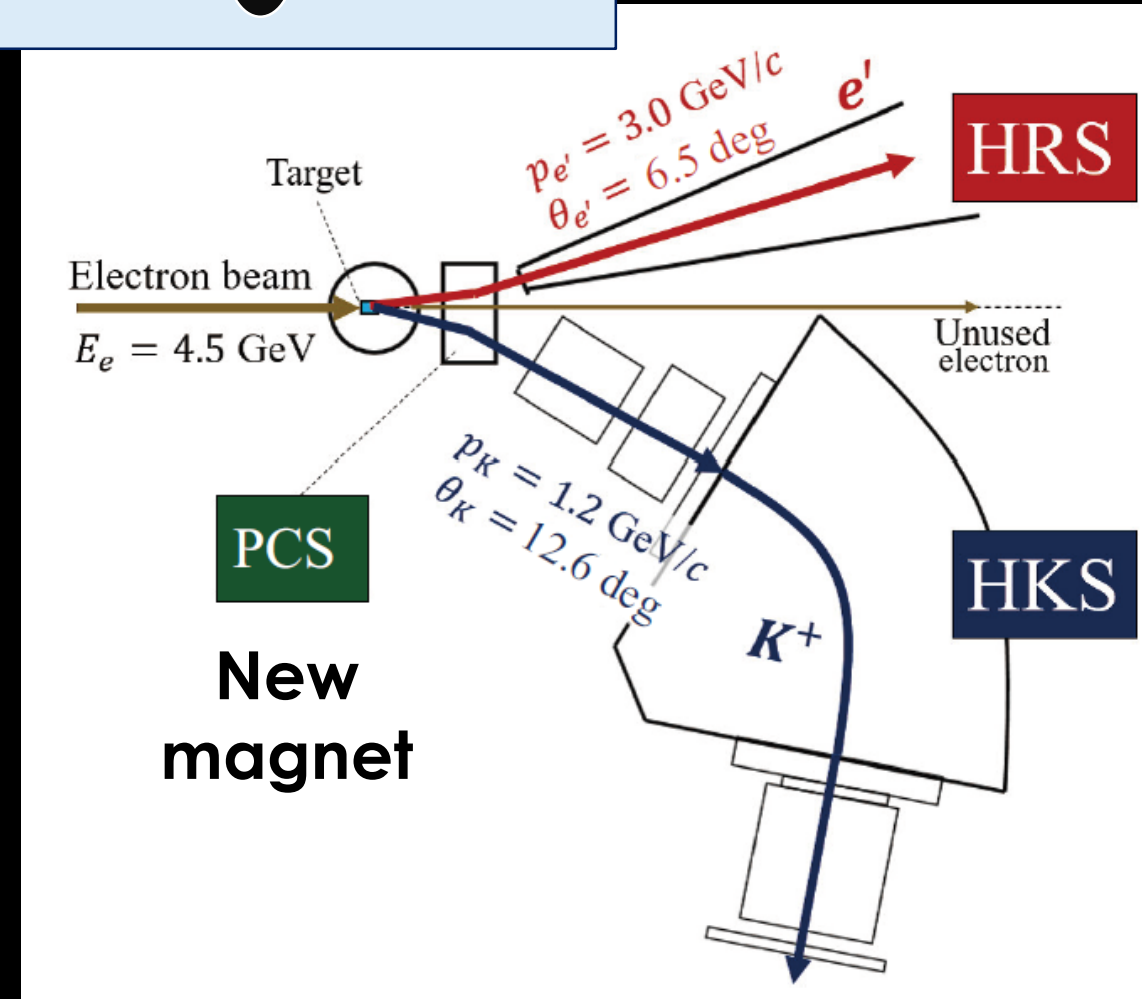
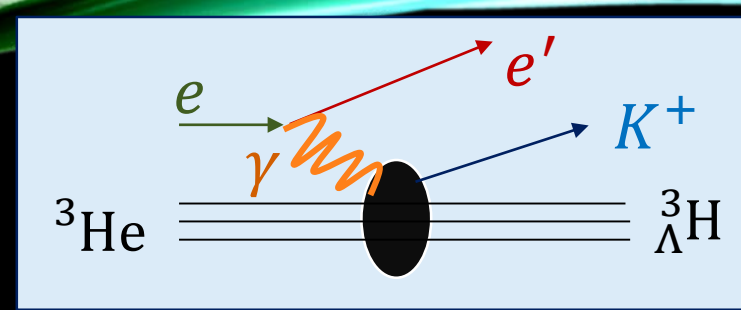




BACKUP

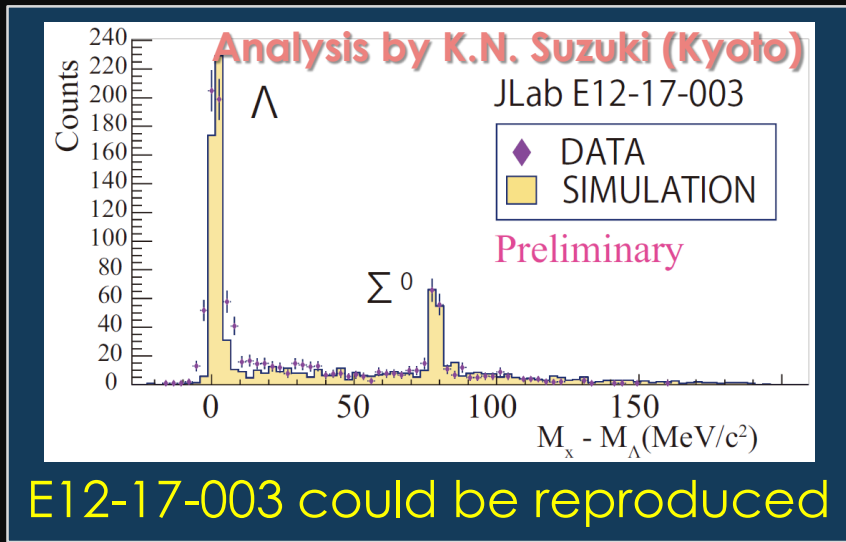
# EXPERIMENTAL SETUP

- Same as E12-15-008 ( ${}^{40,48}_{\Lambda}\text{K}$ )
- PCS  $\rightarrow$  constructed in Japan
- Proposed targets
  - Physics:  ${}^3\text{He}$ ,  ${}^4\text{He}$  gases
  - Calibration:  ${}^1\text{H}$  gas, Multi-C, Empty
- Target ladder may be separated from others

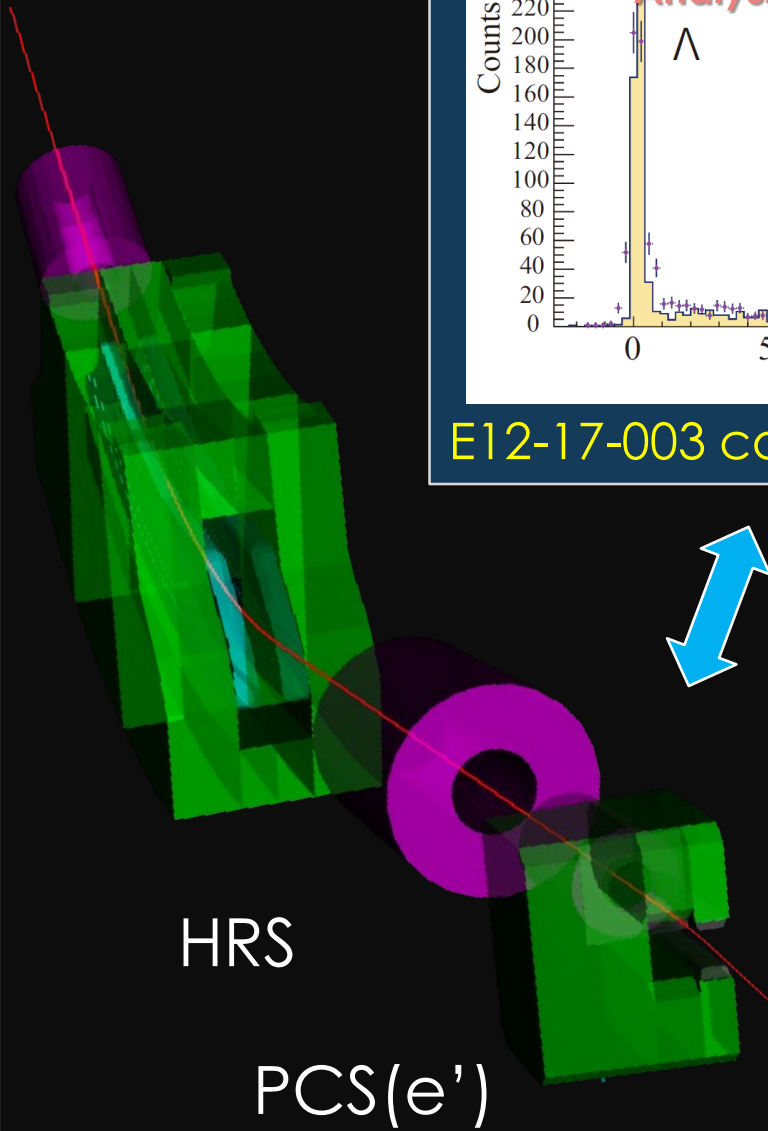


HKS magnet: Y. Fujii et al., NIMA 795 (2015) 351—363  
Kaon ID: TG et al., NIMA 729 (2013) 816—824

# EXPECTED MISSING MASS RESOLUTION



E12-17-003 could be reproduced



Same framework

Geant4 simulation for C12-19-002

$$z_{T,HRS} = \sum_{i+j+k+l=0}^{n_1} a_{ijklm} x_{FP}^i x'_{FP}{}^j y_{FP}^k y'_{FP}{}^l$$

$$\overrightarrow{p}^{HRS,HKS} = \sum_{i+j+k+l+m=0}^{n_2} a_{ijklm} x_{FP}^i x'_{FP}{}^j y_{FP}^k y'_{FP}{}^l z_{T,HRS}^m$$

	$\Delta p/p$	$\Delta\theta$ (mrad)
HRS	$2.6 \times 10^{-4}$	0.6
HKS	$4.2 \times 10^{-4}$	1.5

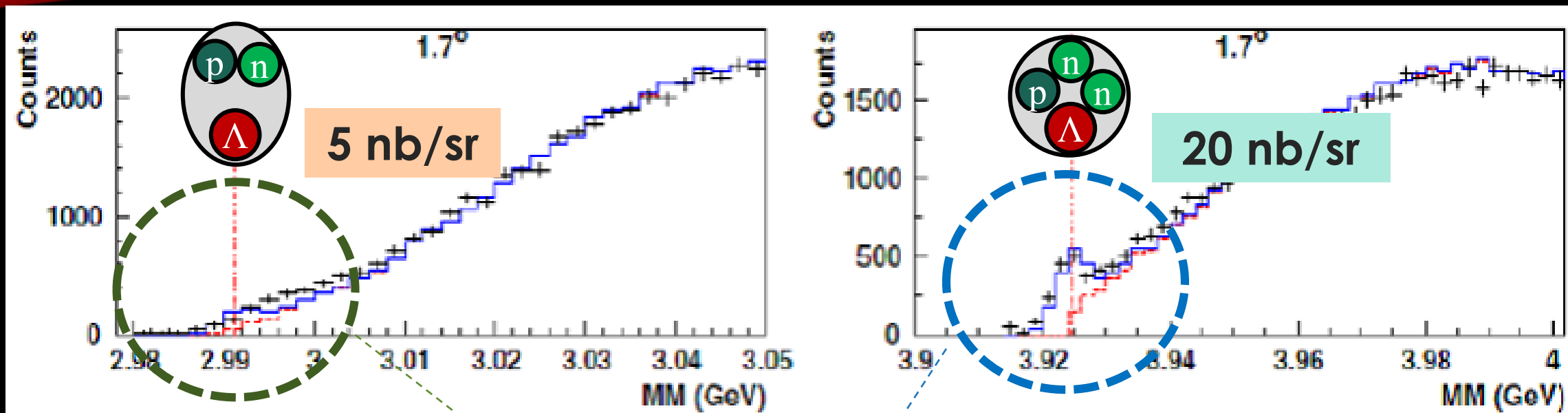
w/ materials (e.g. target):  
 $\frac{\Delta p}{p} \Rightarrow \frac{\Delta p}{p} \times 1.1, \Delta\theta \Rightarrow \Delta\theta \times 1.4$

**$\Delta M_{HYP} = 1 \text{ MeV (FWHM)}$**



# YIELD ESTIMATION

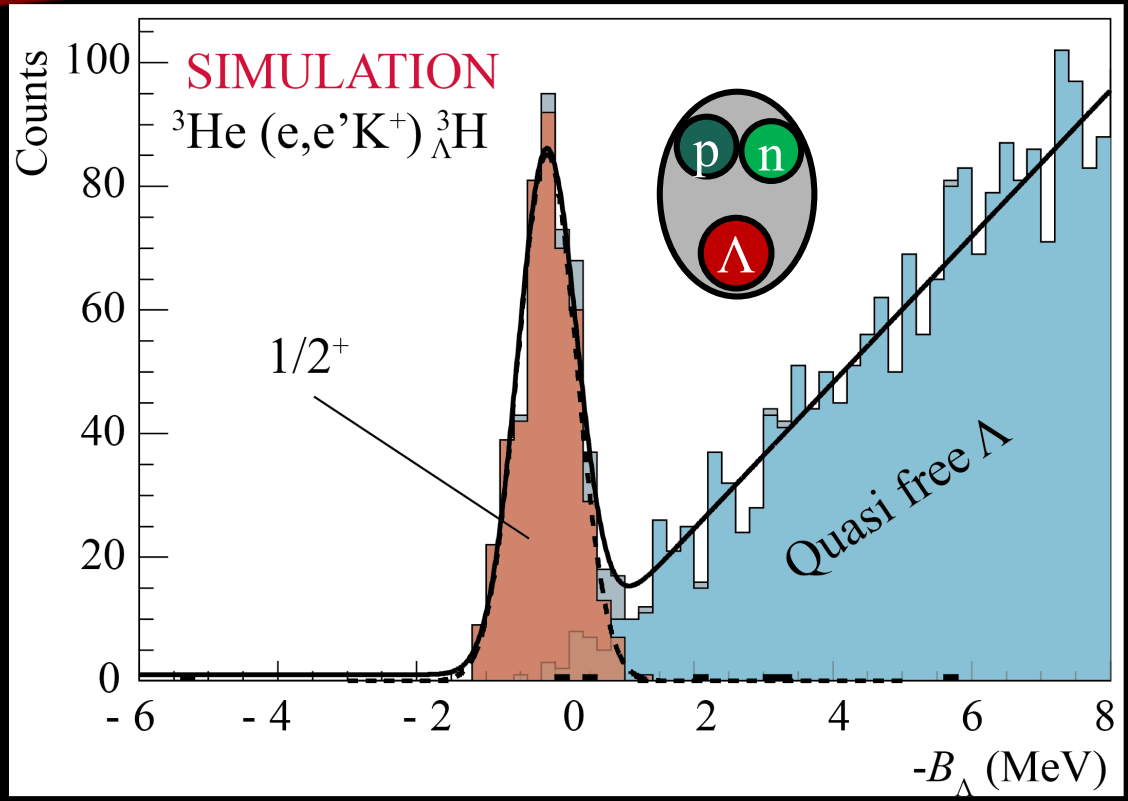
F. Dohrmann et al., *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **93**, 242501 (2004).



Product	Target (mg/cm <sup>2</sup> )	$I_{beam}$ (μA)	CS (nb/sr)	Yield / day	Beamtime (day)	Total yield
${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$	${}^3\text{He}$ (37)	50	5	23	20	<b>464</b>
${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$	${}^4\text{He}$ (74)		20	139	2	<b>278</b>

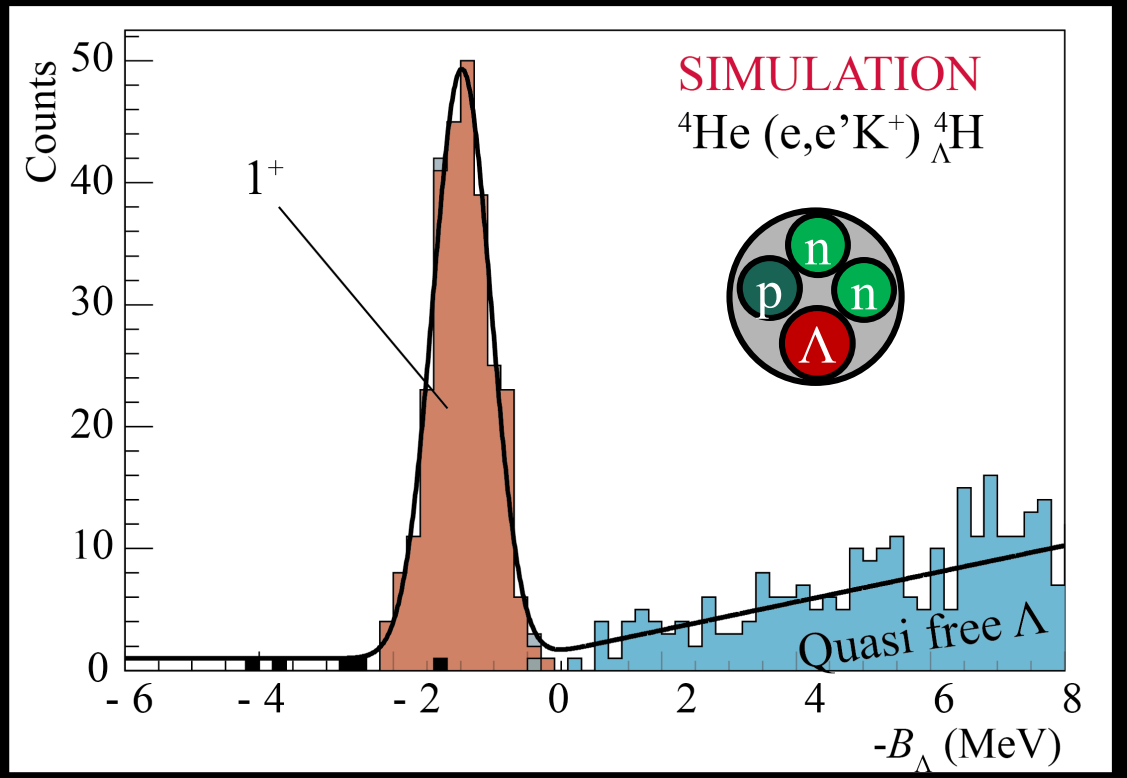
$$\text{VP flux} = 2 \times 10^{-5} (/e), \epsilon_{\text{det}} = 0.75, f_{\text{density}} = 0.85, f_{K\text{decay}} = 0.26, \Omega_K = 7 \text{ msr}$$

# EXPECTED SPECTRA AND STATISTICAL ERRORS



$|\Delta B_\Lambda^{\text{stat.}}| = 20 \text{ keV}$

➔ Hypertriton Puzzle +  $\Lambda\text{N}$  int.  
 (g.s. or excited states)



$|\Delta B_\Lambda^{\text{stat.}}| = 30 \text{ keV}$

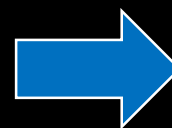
➔  $\Lambda\text{N}$  CSB in  $A = 4$

# CALIBRATIONS AND A SYSTEMATIC ERROR ON $B_\Lambda$

Calibration	Target + Sieve Slit	Reaction	$z_t$ range (mm)	Beamtime (day)	Remarks
Mom. + $z_t$	H	$p(e, e' K^+) \Lambda, \Sigma^0$	$-115 < z_t < 115$	1	$\Lambda: 6100, \Sigma^0: 2030$
Mom. + $z_t$	$^{12}\text{C}$ (multi foils)	$^{12}\text{C}(e, e' K^+) ^{12}_\Lambda\text{B}$		1	$^{12}_\Lambda\text{B}^{\text{g.s.}}: 300 \times 5$
Angle + $z_t$	$^{12}\text{C}$ (multi foils) + SS	-		0.2	
$z_t$	Empty	-	$-100 < z_t < 100$	0.1	+ Background study
	Empty (or gas) + SS	-		0.2	+ Angle resolution check
Physics	$^{3,4}\text{He}$	$^{3,4}_\Lambda\text{H}$	$-100 < z_t < 100$	22	

## Major contributions to a systematic error on $B_\Lambda$

- Energy scale calibration<sup>(\*)</sup>:  $\pm 50$  keV
- Energy loss correction:  $\pm 40$  keV
  - target density  $|\Delta d| = 3\%$
  - cell thickness uniformity  $|\Delta t| = 10\%$



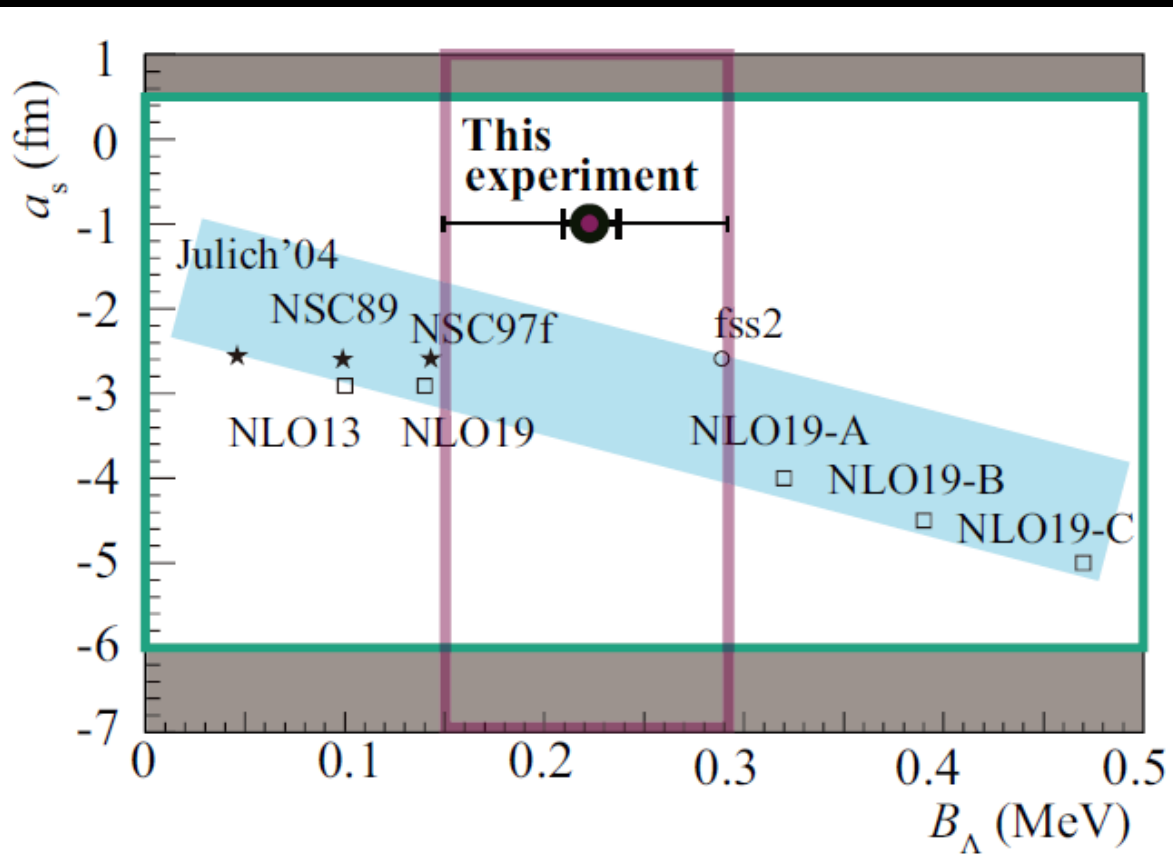
$$|\Delta B_\Lambda^{\text{sys.}}| = 70 \text{ keV}$$

<sup>(\*)</sup> TG et al., NIMA 900 (2018) 69—83





# GROUND STATE OF ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ ( $T = 0, J^{\pi} = 1/2^{+}$ )



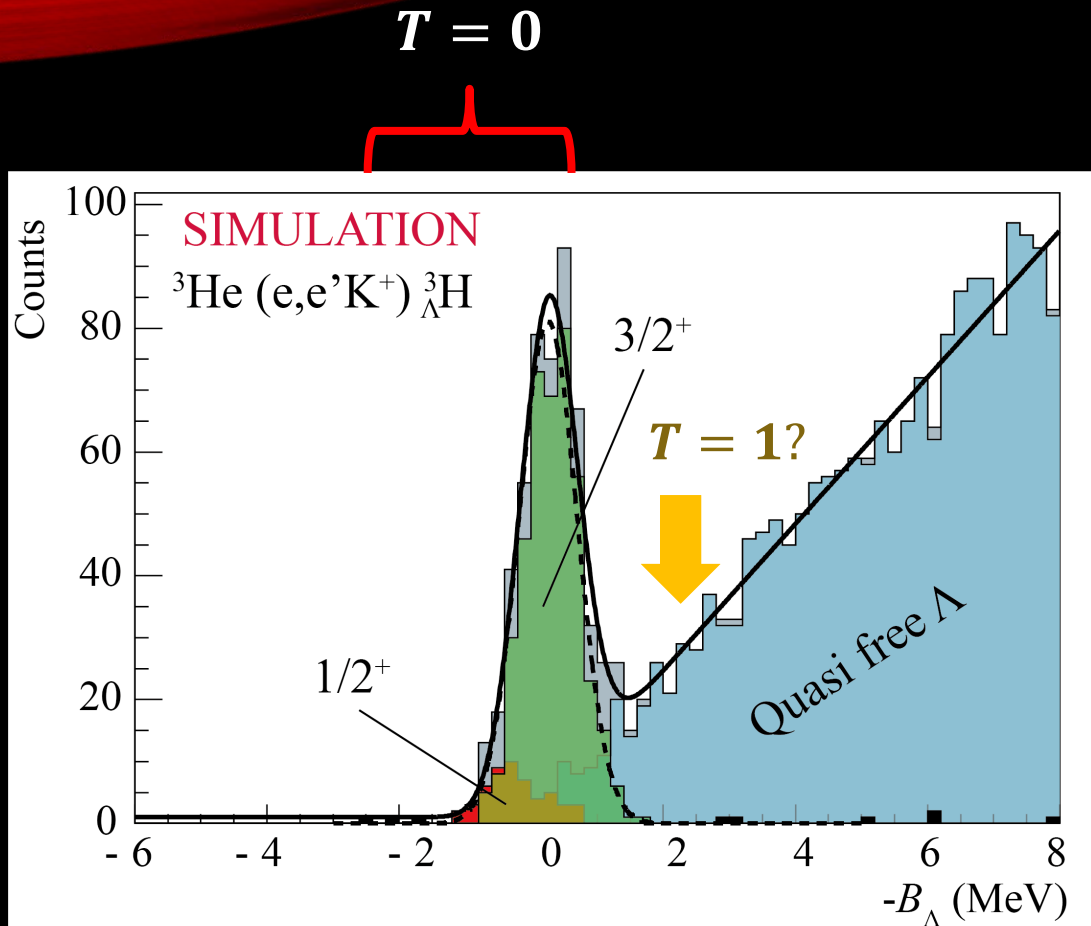
## Hypertriton Puzzle

- $\Lambda$  d m radius ( $|\Delta r| \leq 1$  fm)  
 → Better estimation for the lifetime

## $\Lambda\text{N}$ interaction

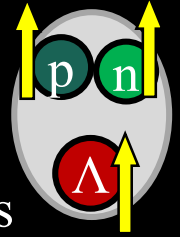
- Constraint for
  - Interaction models
  - The  $\Lambda\text{N}$  spin singlet scattering length ( $|\Delta a_s| \sim 1$  fm; cf.  $a_s = 1.8^{+2.3}_{-4.2}$  fm)

# EXCITED STATES OF ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$



## ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H} (T = 0, J^{\pi} = 3/2^{+})$

- Has NOT been measured
- Hard to measure by emulsion / HI experiments
- Does it exist?
  - If yes, the CS is larger than  $1/2$  by a factor of 8 <sup>(1)</sup>
  - If no, only the  $1/2^{+}$  state will be observed
- $\leftarrow$   $\bar{\kappa}$ EFT predicts  $3/2^{+}$  as a virtual state <sup>(2)</sup>
- Strong constraint for the  $\Lambda\text{N}$  spin triplet interaction



## ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H} (T = 1, J^{\pi} = 1/2^{+})$

- Isospin partner of  $nn\Lambda$  (and  $pp\Lambda$ )
  - $\rightarrow$  significant information on the existence of  $nn\Lambda$
- CSB study in the  $A = 3$  hypernuclear system
- If the CS is  $0.5 \text{ nb/sr} \rightarrow |\Delta B_{\Lambda}^{\text{stat.}}| \sim 70 \text{ keV}$



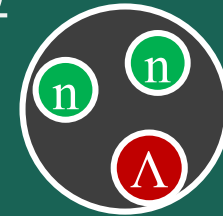
(1) T. Mart *et al*, *Nucl. Phys. A* **640**, 235-258 (1998)

(2) M. Schäfer *et al.*, *Phys. Lett. B* **808**, 135614 (2020)

# SUMMARY

## HRS-HRS @ Hall A (JLab E12-17-003, 2018)

- ${}^3\text{H}(e, e'K^+)nn\Lambda$
- Analysis in progress (by 3 independent teams)
  - Peak search,  $n(n)\text{-}\Lambda$  FSI, reaction cross section



## HRS-HKS @ Hall A (JLab C12-19-002, 2022/2023)

- $B_{\Lambda}({}^{3,4}_{\Lambda}\text{H})$  with an accuracy of

$$\Delta B_{\Lambda}^{\text{tot.}} = \sqrt{|\Delta B_{\Lambda}^{\text{sys.}}|^2 + |\Delta B_{\Lambda}^{\text{stat.}}|^2} < 80 \text{ keV}$$

- Hypertriton Puzzle / Charge Symmetry Breaking



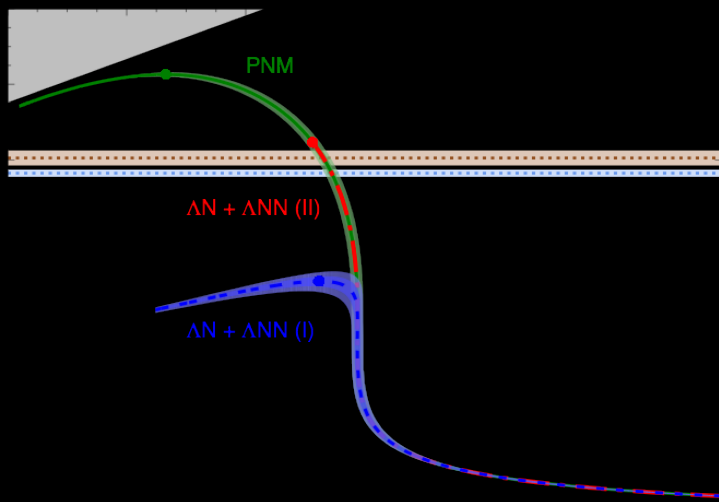


# Studying $\Lambda$ interactions in nuclear matter with the $^{208}\text{Pb}(e, e'K^+)^{208}_{\Lambda}\text{Tl}$

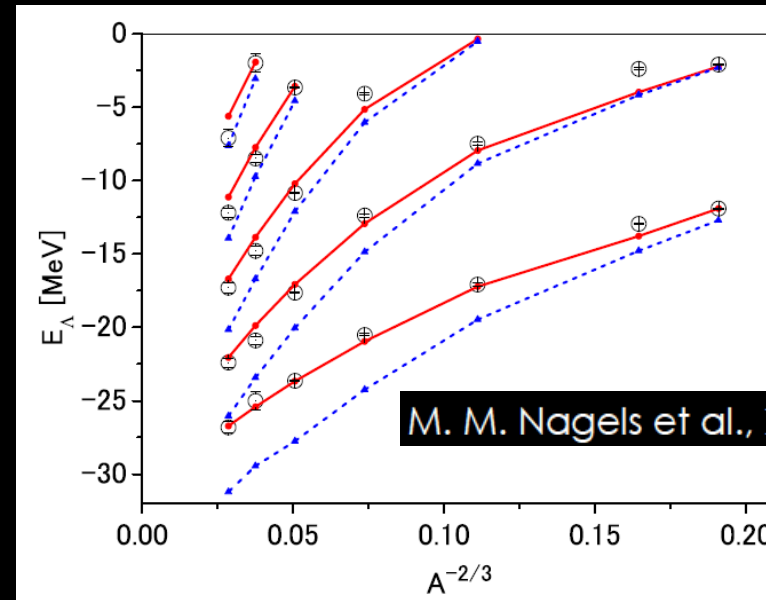
## Hyperon Puzzle

Strong softening of the EoS of dense matter due to the appearance of hyperons which leads to maximum masses of compact stars that are not compatible with the observations.

D. Lonardoni et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 114, 092301 (2015)



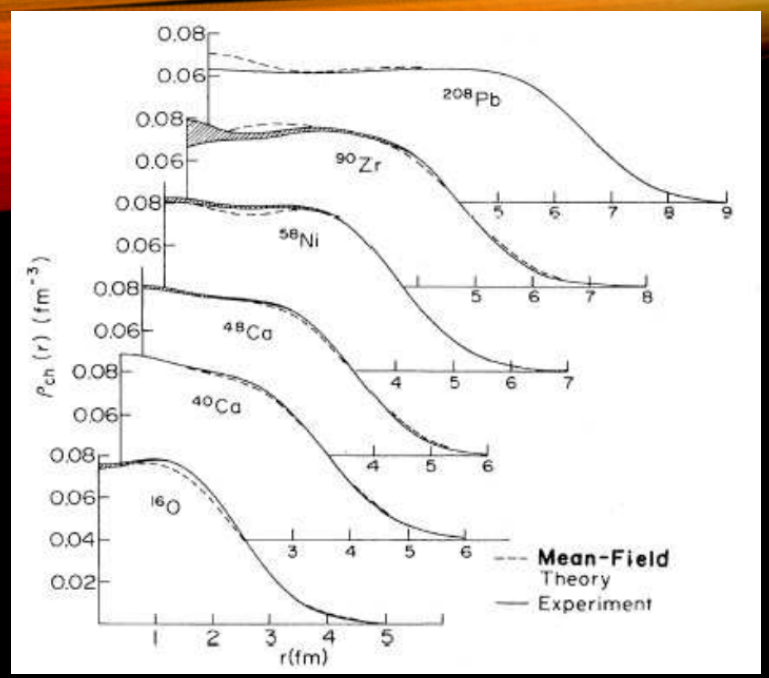
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M. M. Nagels et al., Phys. Rev. C 99, 044003 (2019)

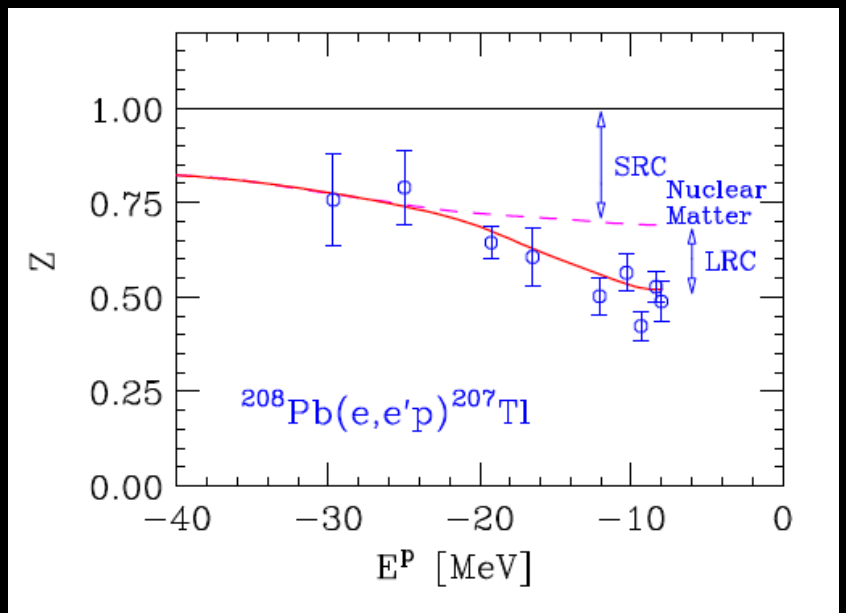
It clearly appears that the inclusion of YNN forces (PNM) leads to the right mass ( $\sim 2$  solar masses)

Three-body  $\Lambda\text{NN}$  forces are known to be strongly  $A$ -dependent, making the  $^{208}\text{Pb}$  target uniquely suited to study  $\Lambda$  interaction in a uniform nuclear medium with large neutron excess



The measured charge density distribution of  $^{208}\text{Pb}$  clearly shows that the region of nearly constant density accounts for a very large fraction ( $\sim 70\%$ ) of the nuclear volume, thus suggesting that its properties largely reflect those of uniform nuclear matter in the neutron star

The validity of this conjecture has been long established by a comparison between the results of theoretical calculations and the data extracted from the  $^{208}\text{Pb}(e,e'p)^{207}\text{Tl}$  cross sections measured at NIKHEF in the 1990s



Deeply bound protons in the  $^{208}\text{Pb}$  ground state largely unaffected by finite size and shell effect

→ behave as if they were in nuclear matter

→ The use of a  $^{208}\text{Pb}$  target appears to be uniquely suited to study  $\Lambda$  interactions in a uniform nuclear medium with large neutron excess