

# Studies of Hyperons and Antihyperons in Nuclei

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- introduction & motivation
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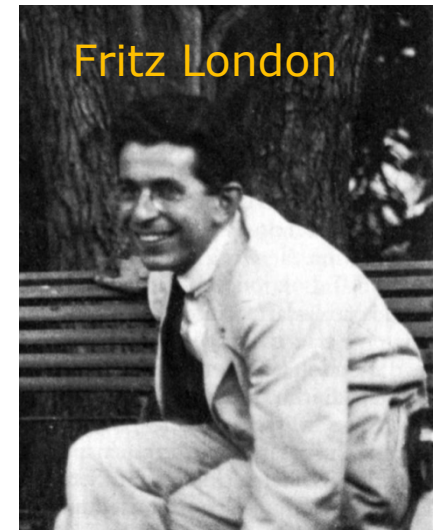
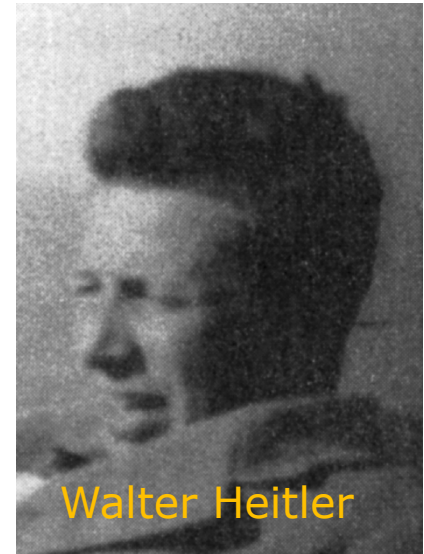
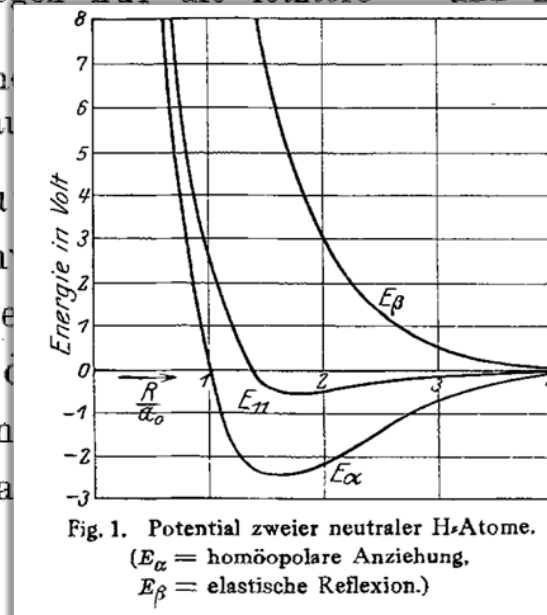
## Wechselwirkung neutraler Atome und homöopolare Bindung nach der Quantenmechanik<sup>1</sup>.

Von W. Heitler und F. London in Zürich.

Mit 2 Abbildungen. (Eingegangen am 30. Juni 1927.)

Das Kräftespiel zwischen neutralen Atomen zeigt eine charakteristische quantenmechanische Mehrdeutigkeit. Diese Mehrdeutigkeit scheint geeignet zu sein, die verschiedenen Verhaltensweisen zu umfassen, welche die Erfahrung liefert: Bei Wasserstoff z. B. die Möglichkeit einer homöopolaren Bindung, bzw. elastischer Reflexion, bei den Edelgasen dagegen nur die letztere — und zwar dies bereits als Effekte erster Näherung von der Auswahl und Diskussion der verschiedenen Zustände, wobei das Pauliprinzip auch hier, in Anwendung auf die

Die Wechselwirkung zwischen neutralen Atomen ist durch die quantenmechanische Behandlung bisher erhebliche Schwierigkeiten bereitet. Man hat sich von den Anziehungskräften der Atome ein einfaches Bild machen konnte, schienen die Wechselwirkungen zwischen neutralen Atomen, insbesondere die Möglichkeit einer homöopolaren Bindung, außerordentlich schwer verständlich, wenn man sich auf die klassischen Erklärungen greifen wollte<sup>2</sup>.



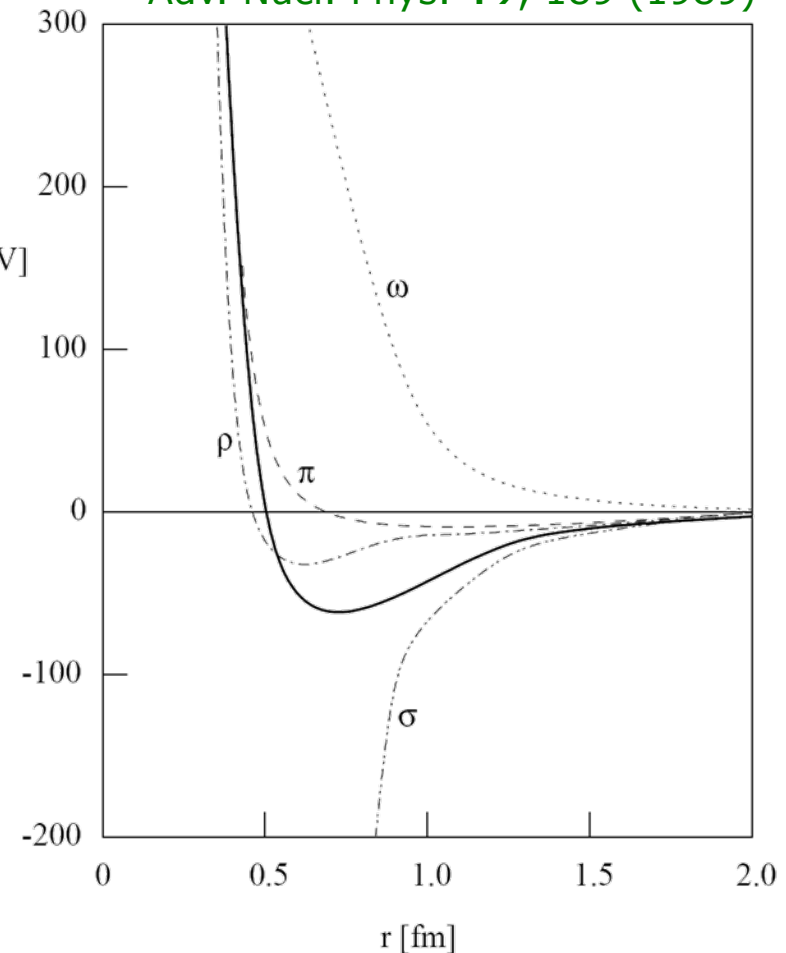
# Traditional View of the N-N Interaction

- ▶ Experimental observation
  - ▶ short range ( $r < 0.5 \text{ fm}$ ) repulsion
  - ▶ intermediate ( $r \approx 1 \text{ fm}$ ) strong attraction
  - ▶ long range ( $r > 1.5 \text{ fm}$ ) attraction
- ▶ Boson exchange model
  - ▶ Yukawa (1935)
  - ▶ Klein-Gordon equation

$$\left(\partial^2 + m^2\right)\varphi(x) = g\bar{\psi}\psi \quad V [\text{MeV}]$$

- ▶ range of N-N interaction  $R \approx 2 \text{ fm}$
- ▶  $R = \hbar c / mc^2 \Rightarrow m \approx 100 \text{ MeV}/c^2 \Rightarrow \text{pion}$

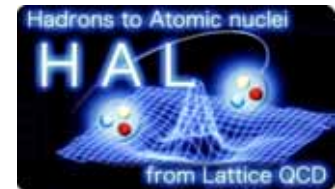
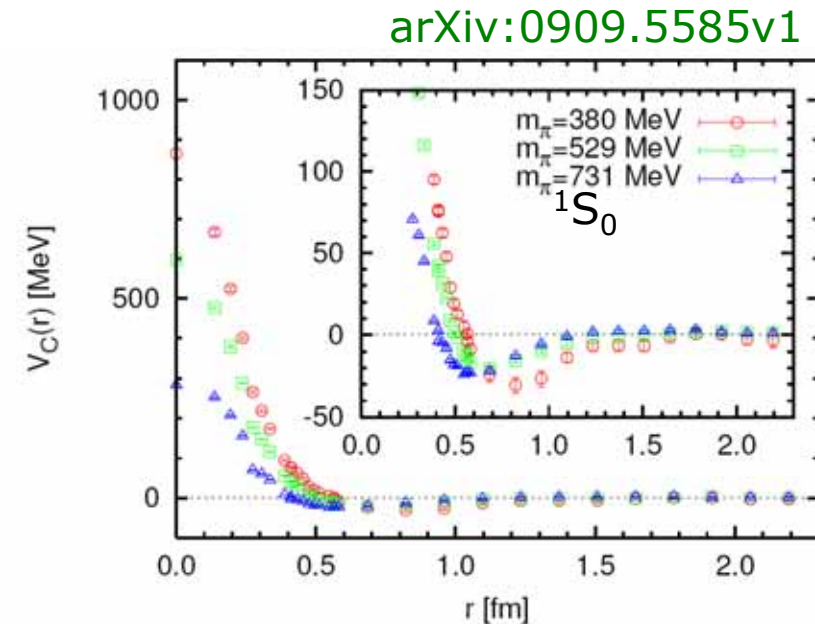
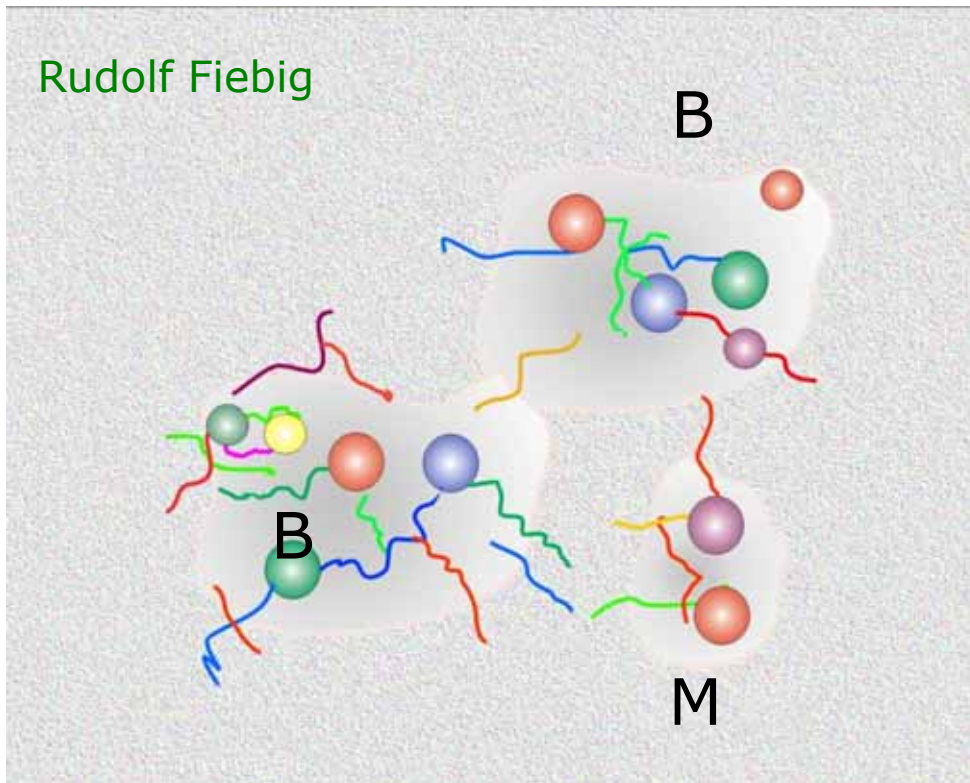
R. Machleidt,  
Adv. Nucl. Phys. **19**, 189 (1989)





# Modern Version of B-B Interaction

- ▶ Pauli Principle not essential for repulsive core: Spin  $\otimes$  flavor  $\otimes$  color
- ▶ Understanding baryons and their mutual interactions is a complex, quantum-fieldtheoretical, non-perturbative many-body problem

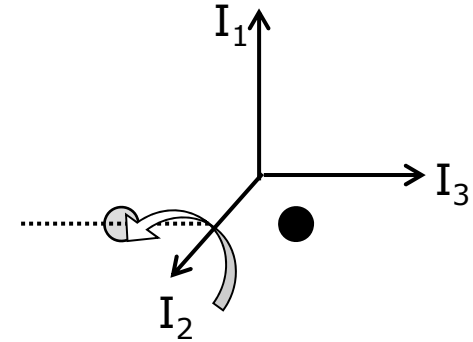


„The achievement is both a computational *tour de force* and a triumph for theory“  
 Nature Research Highlights 2007

- ▶ strong interaction conserves isospin and C-parity
- ▶  $G$ =charge conjugation + 180° rotation around 2nd axis in isospin (Lee und Yang 1956, L. Michel 1952 „Isoparität“)

$$G = C \cdot e^{i\pi I_2}$$

$$|I, I_3\rangle \xrightarrow{C} |I, -I_3\rangle \xrightarrow{e^{i\pi I_2}} |I, I_3\rangle$$



- ▶ reminder: rotation in space

$$Y_l^m(\vartheta, \varphi) \xrightarrow{\exp(i\pi L_y)} Y_l^m(\vartheta + \pi, \pi - \varphi) = (-1)^l Y_l^m(\vartheta, \varphi)$$

- ▶ isospin rotation

$$|I, I_3\rangle \xrightarrow{\exp(i\pi I_2)} (-1)^I |I, I_3\rangle$$

- ▶ particle-antiparticle systems

$$G|\bar{f}\bar{f}\rangle = (-1)^I C|\bar{f}\bar{f}\rangle = (-1)^{I+L+S} |\bar{f}\bar{f}\rangle$$

$$G|\pi^{\pm 0}\rangle = (-1)^1 C|\pi^{\pm 0}\rangle = -|\pi^{\pm 0}\rangle$$

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$$G|\omega\rangle = (-1)^0 C|\omega\rangle = -|\omega\rangle$$

$$G|\sigma\rangle = (-1)^0 C|\sigma\rangle = +|\sigma\rangle$$

# G-Parity and $N\bar{N}$ Potential

- ▶ G-parity of particle-antiparticle multiplets

$$G|\bar{f}f\rangle = (-1)^I C|\bar{f}f\rangle = (-1)^{I+L+S}|\bar{f}f\rangle$$

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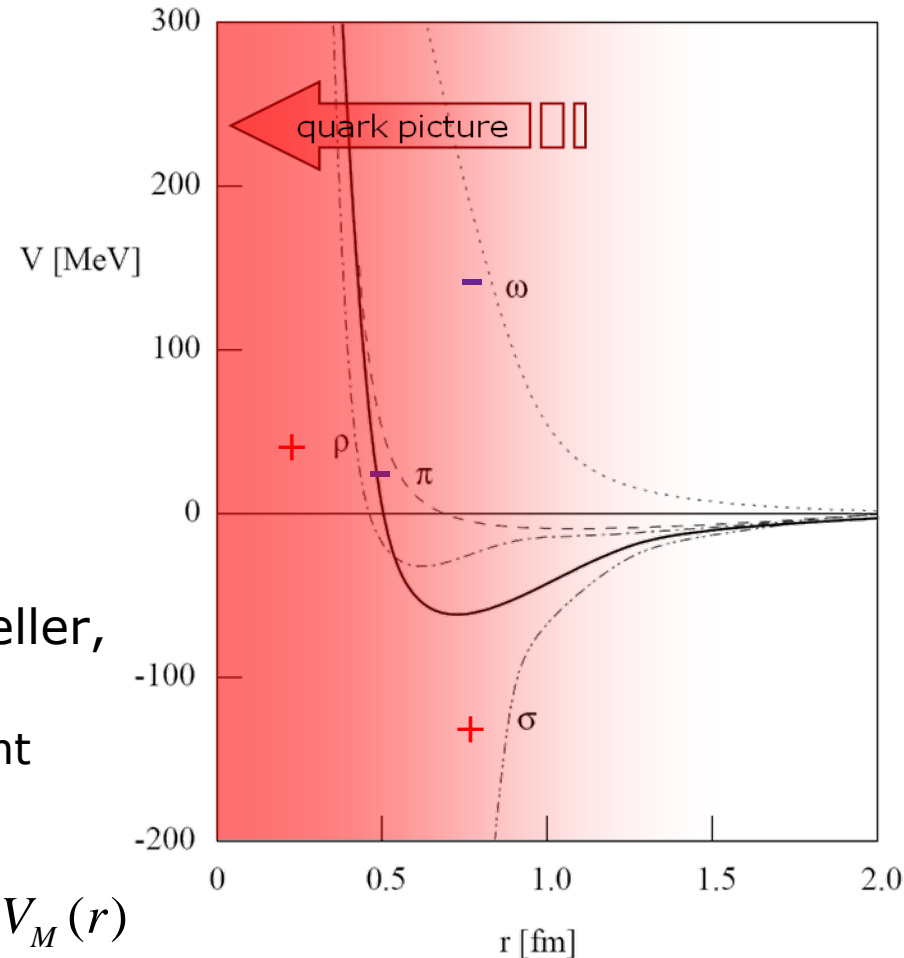
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- ▶ Hans-Peter Dürr and Edward Teller, Phys. Rev. **101**, 494 (1956)

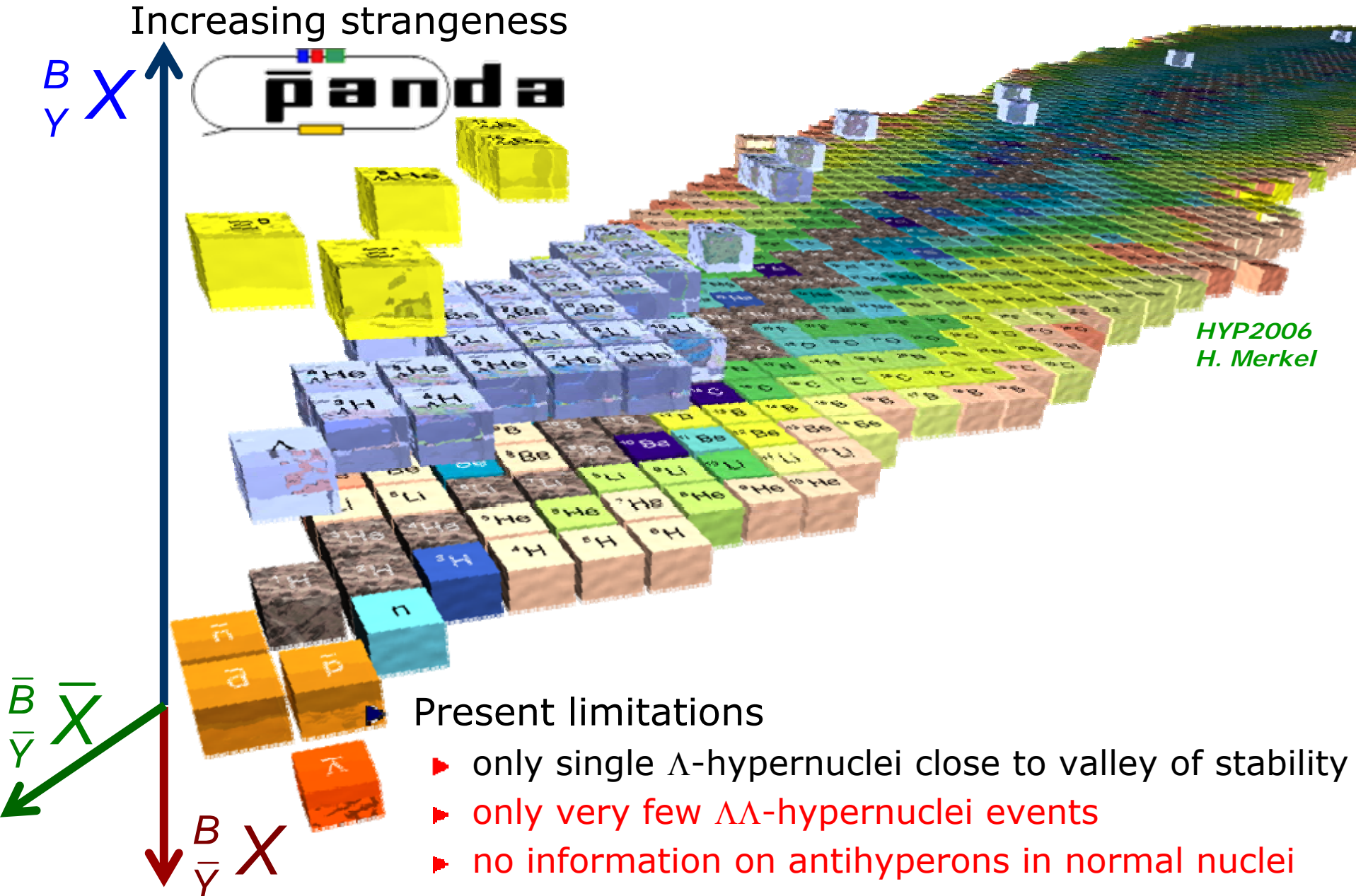
- ▶ sign change in coupling constant when going from NN to  $N\bar{N}$

$$V(NN)(r) = \sum_M V_M(r) \rightarrow V(N\bar{N})(r) = \sum_M G_M V_M(r)$$

- ▶ Caveat: meson picture will probably not work at small distance
- ▶ Chance to study transition from meson to quark-gluon regime

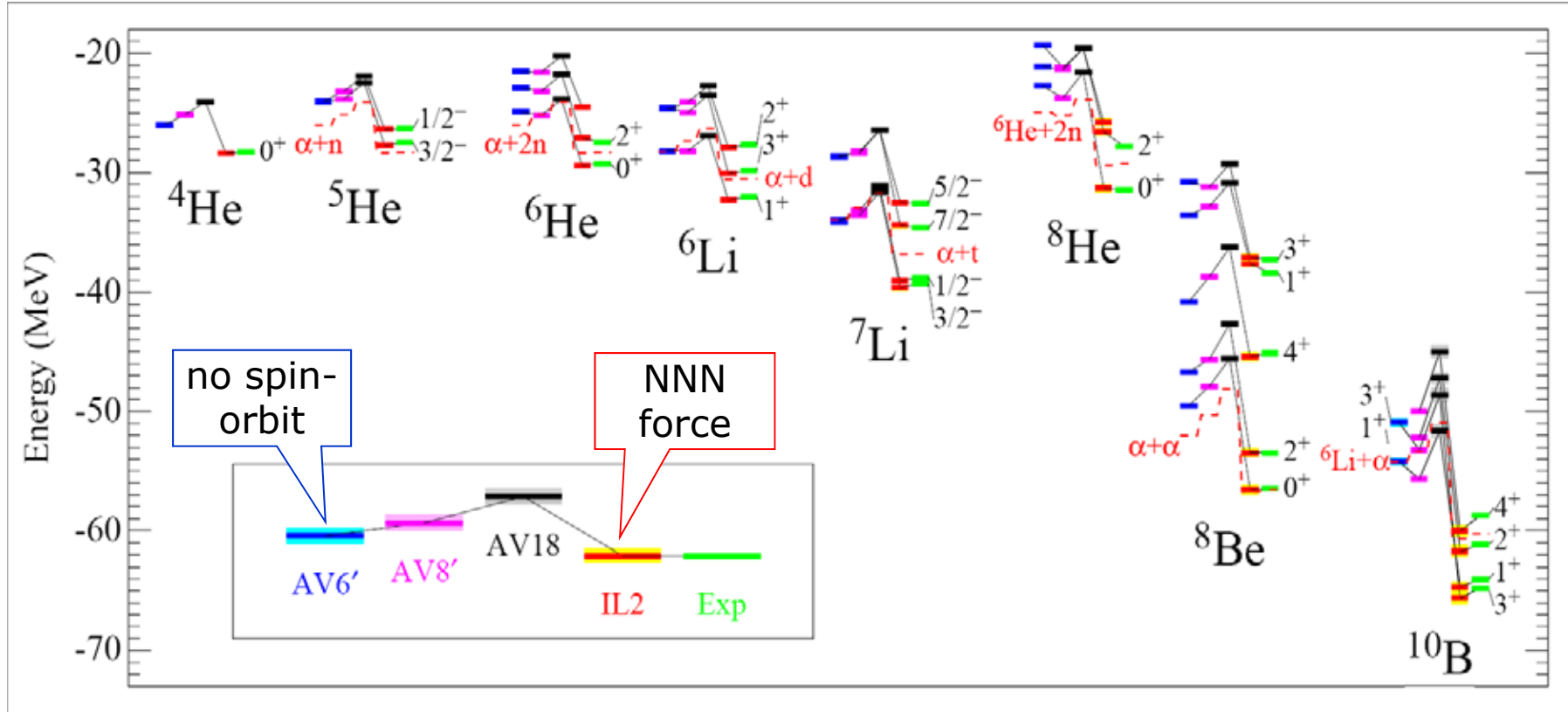


# The present nuclear chart



# Understanding Nuclear Structure

- ▶ Steven Stephen C. Pieper *et al.*, 2002
- ▶ potentials with increasing complexity



- ▶ spin-isospin and tensor forces present in long-range one-pion-exchange are essential
- ▶ multi-nucleon forces are vital
- ▶ sub-MeV precision ( $\sim 3$  parameters only)





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- ▶ Hypernuclei offer a bridge between traditional nuclear physics , hadron physics and astrophysics
  - ▶ It helps to explore fundamental questions like
    - ▶ How do nucleons and nuclei form out of quarks?
    - ▶ Can nuclear structure be derived *quantitatively* from QCD?
    - ▶ Properties of strange baryons in nuclei and structure of QCD vacuum?
    - ▶ Can we constrain the interior of neutron stars?

astrophysics



# S=-2 Nuclei

Alicia Sanchez Lorente, PhD Thesis, Mainz 2010

J.P., Nucl. Instr. and Methods in Physics Research B **214**, 149-152 (2004).

A. Sanchez Lorente, A. Botvina, J.P.

# The first event (1)

## ► 1.3-1.5 GeV/c $K^-$ +Emulsion; 31000 $K^-$

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### OBSERVATION OF A DOUBLE HYPERFRAGMENT

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(Received 3 April 1963)

## ► carefully reanalyzed

- During a systematic scan for the decays of 1.3- and 1.5-GeV/c  $K^-$  mesons<sup>1</sup> in emulsions irradiated in the separated  $P$ -neutron beam at CERN,<sup>2</sup> an event has been found which is interpreted as the production and subsequent mesonic
- of a  $\Xi^-$  hyperon decaying into  $\Lambda^0$  and  $\pi^-$ . The processes are summarized in Table I. All reasonable interpretations of this event, other than that of a  $\Xi^-$  hyperon capture at  $B$  leading to the emission of a double hyperfragment, have been

Dalitz et al., Proc. R. Soc. Lond. A426, 1 (1989)



# The observed first event

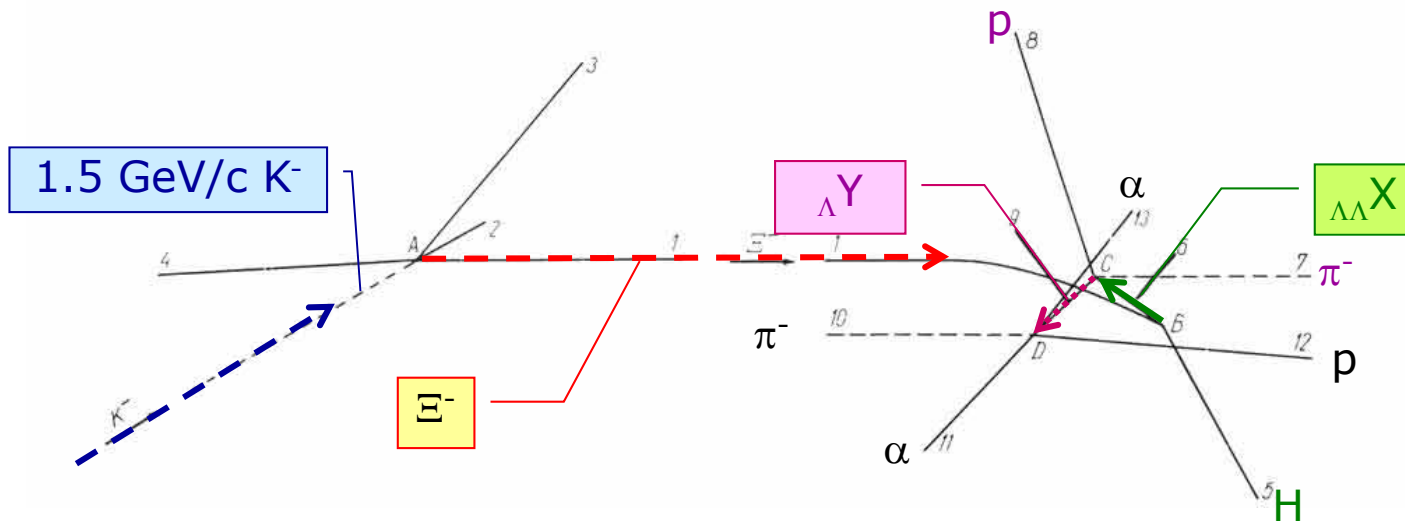
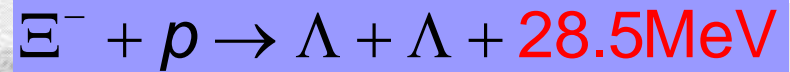
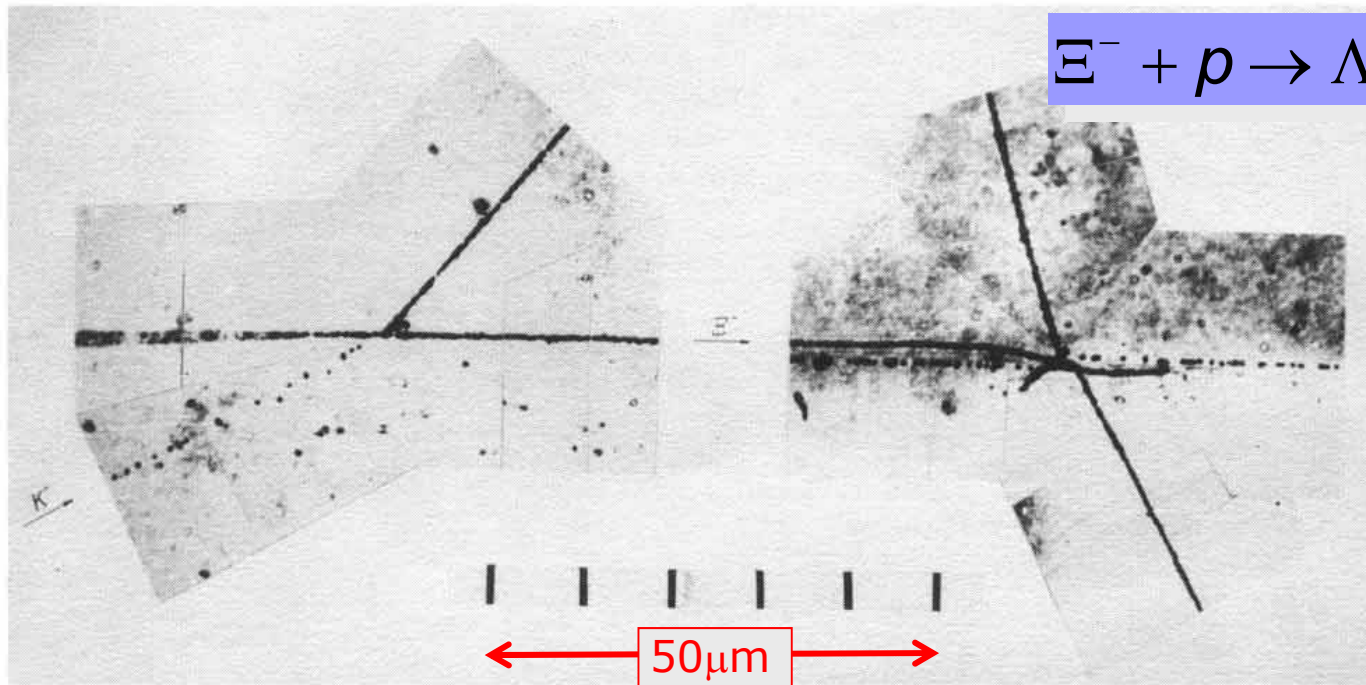
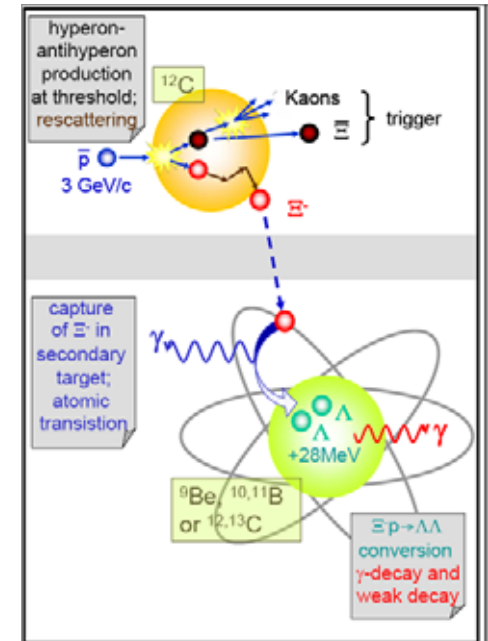
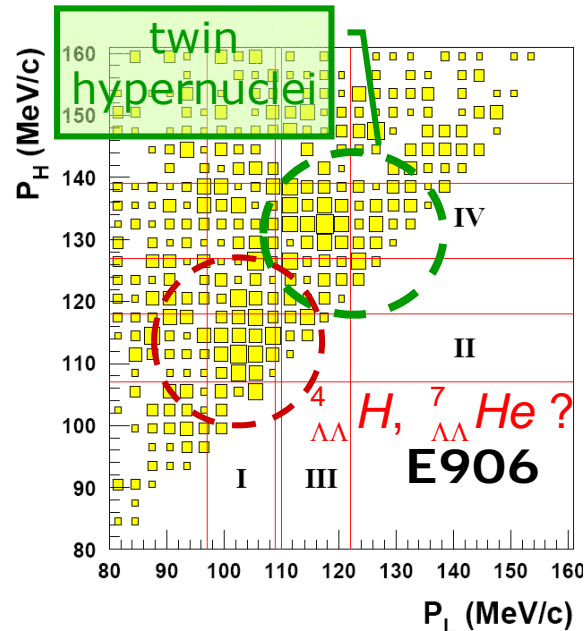
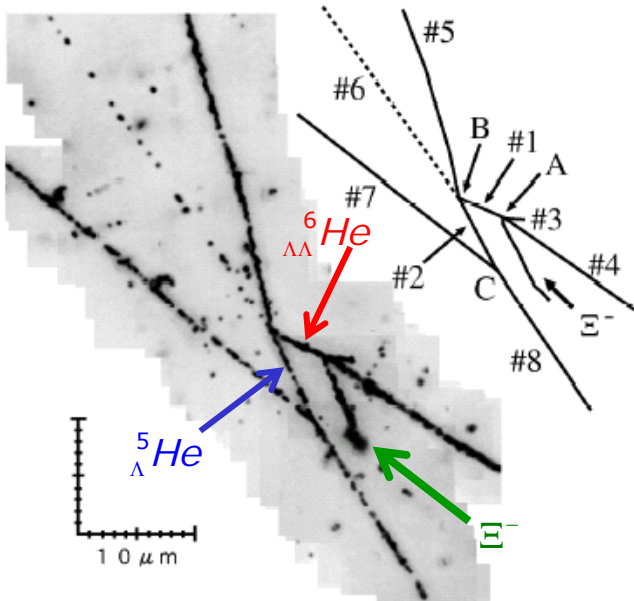


FIG. 1. A photomicrograph and a schematic drawing of the production of a  $\Xi^-$  hyperon in a 1.5-GeV/c  $K^-$ -meson interaction at A followed by capture at rest of the  $\Xi^-$  hyperon at B with the emission of a double hyperfragment decaying in cascade at C and D.



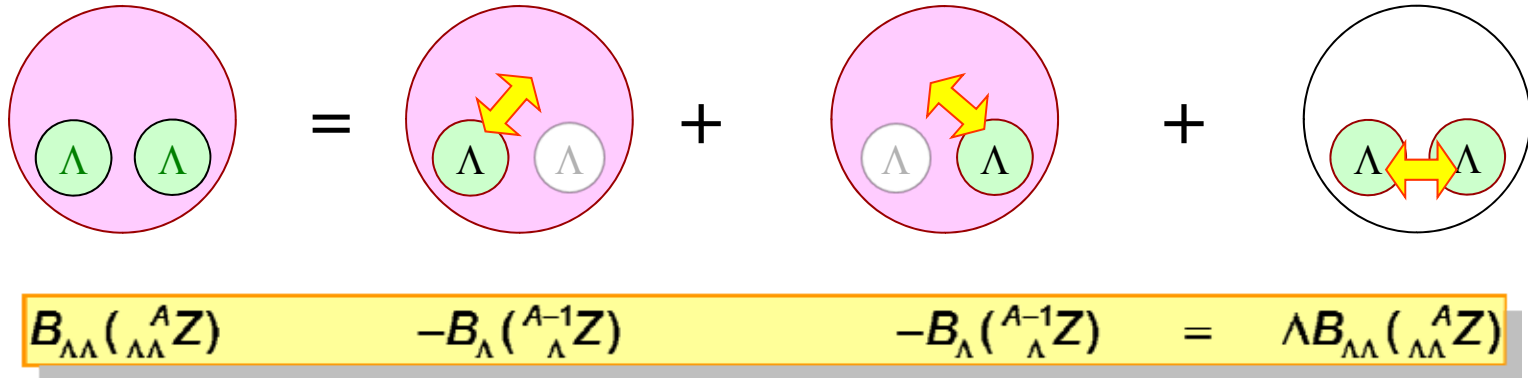
# Decay Products of $\Lambda\Lambda$ Hypernuclei

- ▶ nuclear fragments  $\Rightarrow$  emulsion hadron+nucleus
  - ▶ detection of charged products only
  - ▶ limited to light nuclei
- ▶ weak decay products  $\Rightarrow$  BNL-AGS E906  ${}^9\text{Be}(K^-, K^+)X$ 
  - ▶ resolution limited
  - ▶ no information on excited states
  - ▶ interpretation not unique because  $\pi$  momenta are similar
- ▶  $\gamma^-$  spectroscopy  $\Rightarrow$  PANDA p+A
  - ▶ no excited states observed yet, but theoretically predicted
  - ▶ How to identify the nucleus ?



# First approach to the $\Lambda\Lambda$ interaction

- ▶ We are mainly interested in the additional binding energy *between* the two  $\Lambda$ s



- ▶ in the case of the Danysz-event one obtains

$$B_{\Lambda\Lambda}({}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^AZ) = B_{\Lambda}({}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^AZ) + B_{\Lambda}({}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^{A-1}Z) = (17.7 \pm 0.4) \text{ MeV}$$

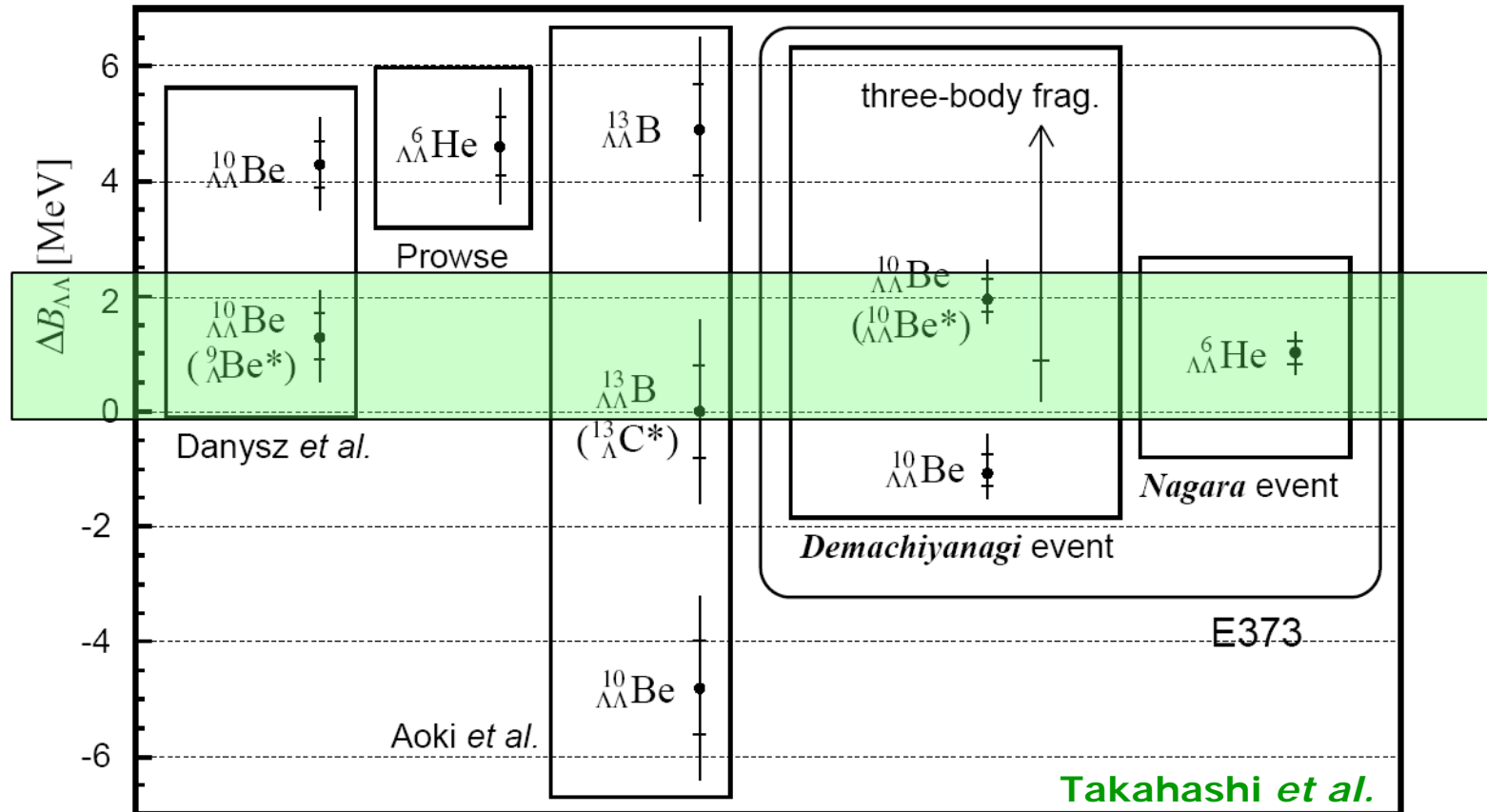
$$\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda}({}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^AZ) = B_{\Lambda}({}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^AZ) - B_{\Lambda}({}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^{A-1}Z) = (4.3 \pm 0.4) \text{ MeV}$$

- ▶ positive  $\Rightarrow$  attractive interaction
- ▶ this is the net  $\Lambda\Lambda$  binding provided that
  - ▶ the core is not distorted by adding one  $\Lambda$  after the other
  - ▶ the core spin is zero
  - ▶ no  $\gamma$ -unstable excited states are produced

note:

$\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda}$  is proportional to the kinetic energy of the produced pions

# Double Hypernuclei – Status <2009



- ▶ Interpreting  $\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda}$  as  $\Lambda\Lambda$  bond energy one has to consider e.g.
  - ▶ dynamical change of the core nucleus
  - ▶  $\Lambda\text{N}$  spin-spin interaction for non-zero spin of core
  - ▶  $\Lambda\Lambda$ - $\Xi\text{N}$ - $\Sigma\Sigma$  coupling
  - ▶ excited states possible, but have not been clearly identified so far



# *Double- $\Lambda$ Hypernuclei via Capture Reaction of $\Xi^-$ hyperon at rest in Hybrid-Emulsion Experiments*

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## Outline

1. Motivation of our experiment
2. Introduce recent data of double- $\Lambda$  hypernuclei
  - 2-1. from KEK-E176  
 **$^{13}\text{B}_{\Lambda\Lambda}$**  nucleus ==> S.Aoki et al., NP. A828 (2009) 191-232
  - 2-2. from KEK-E373
    - / **NAGARA** event  **$^6\text{He}_{\Lambda\Lambda}$**  nucleus
    - / **MIKAGE** event  **$^6\text{He}_{\Lambda\Lambda}$**  nucleus
    - / **DEMACHI-YANAGI** event  **$^{10}\text{Be}_{\Lambda\Lambda}$**  (Excited) nucleus
    - / **HIDA** event  **$^{11}\text{Be}_{\Lambda\Lambda}$**  ( **$^{12}\text{Be}_{\Lambda\Lambda}$** ) nucleus
3. Summary and near-future perspective



# Summary and perspective (1)

By checking consistency of  $\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda}$  (NAGARA) within 3 STD. errors,

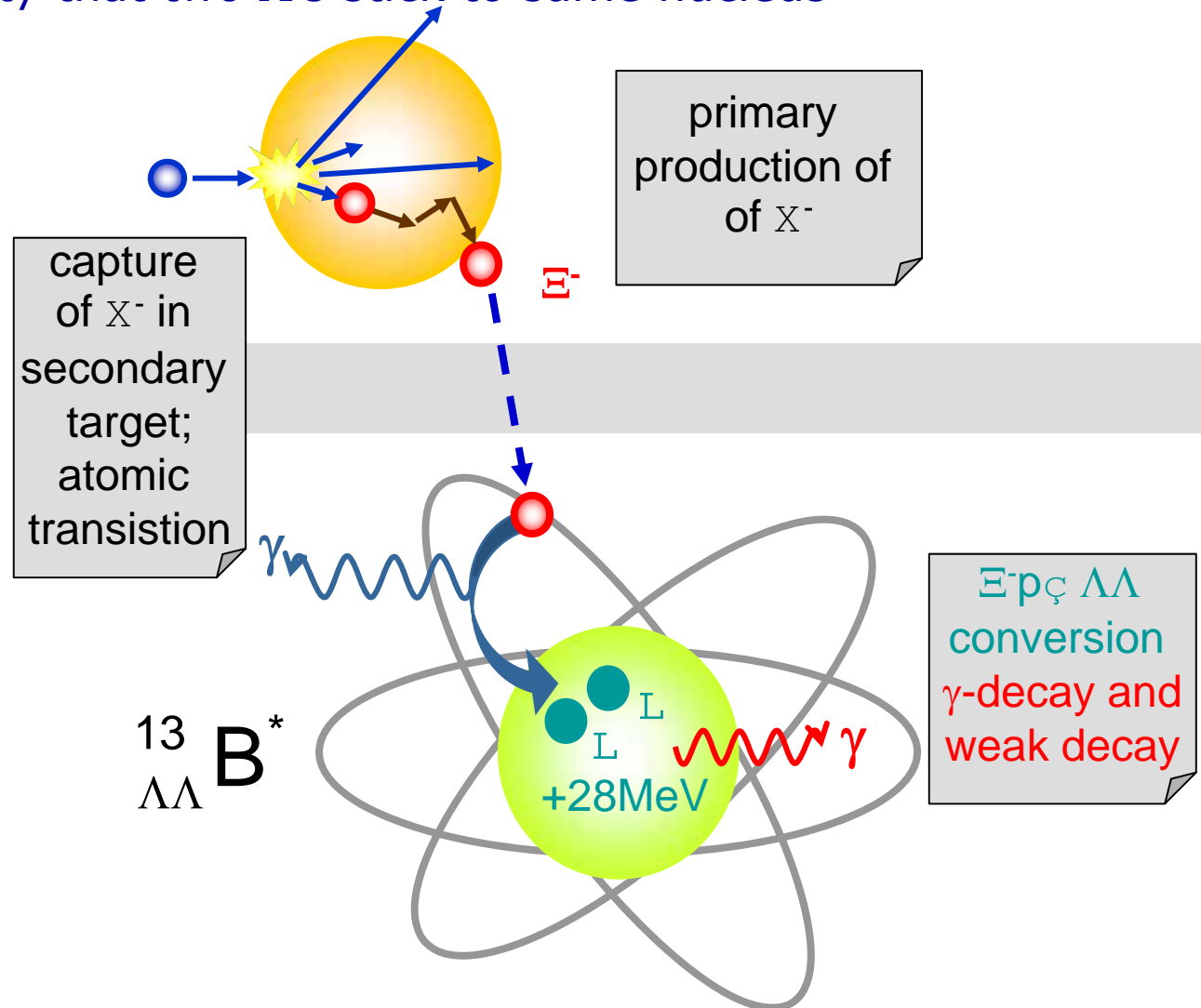
$\Lambda\Lambda Z$	$\Xi^-$ Captured	$B_{\Lambda\Lambda} - B_{\Xi^-}$ [MeV]	$\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda} - B_{\Xi^-}$ [MeV]	Assumed level	$B_{\Lambda\Lambda}$ [MeV]	$\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda}$ [MeV]
NAGARA	${}^6_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{He}$ ${}^{12}\text{C}$	$B_{\Lambda\Lambda} = 6.79 + 0.91B_{\Xi^-}$ (+/- 0.16) $\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda} = 0.55 + 0.91B_{\Xi^-}$ (+/- 0.17) $B_{\Xi^-} < 1.86$		3D	6.91 +/- 0.16	0.67 +/- 0.17
MIKAGE	${}^6_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{He}$ ${}^{12}\text{C}$	9.93 +/- 1.72	3.69 +/- 1.72	3D	10.06 +/- 1.72	3.82 +/- 1.72
DEMACHI-YANAGI	${}^{10}_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{Be}^*$ ${}^{12}\text{C}$	11.77 +/- 0.13	-1.65 +/- 0.15 <i>cf. Ex = 3.0</i>	3D	11.90 +/- 0.13	-1.52 +/- 0.15 <i>cf. Ex = 3.0</i>
HIDA	${}^{11}_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{Be}$ ${}^{16}\text{O}$	20.26 +/- 1.15	2.04 +/- 1.23	3D	20.49 +/- 1.15	2.27 +/- 1.23
	${}^{12}_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{Be}$ ${}^{14}\text{N}$	22.06 +/- 1.15	-----	3D	22.23 +/- 1.15	-----
E176	${}^{13}_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{B} \rightarrow {}^{13}_{\Lambda}\text{C}^*$ <i>Ex = 4.9</i>	-----	-----	3D	23.3 +/- 0.7	0.6 +/- 0.8
	${}^{10}_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{Be} \rightarrow {}^9_{\Lambda}\text{Be}^*$ <i>Ex = 3.0</i>	-----	-----	not checked, yet.	14.7 +/- 0.4	1.3 +/- 0.4

M.Danyasz et al., PRL.11(1963)29;  
R.H.Dalitz et al., Proc. R.S.Lond.A436(1989)1

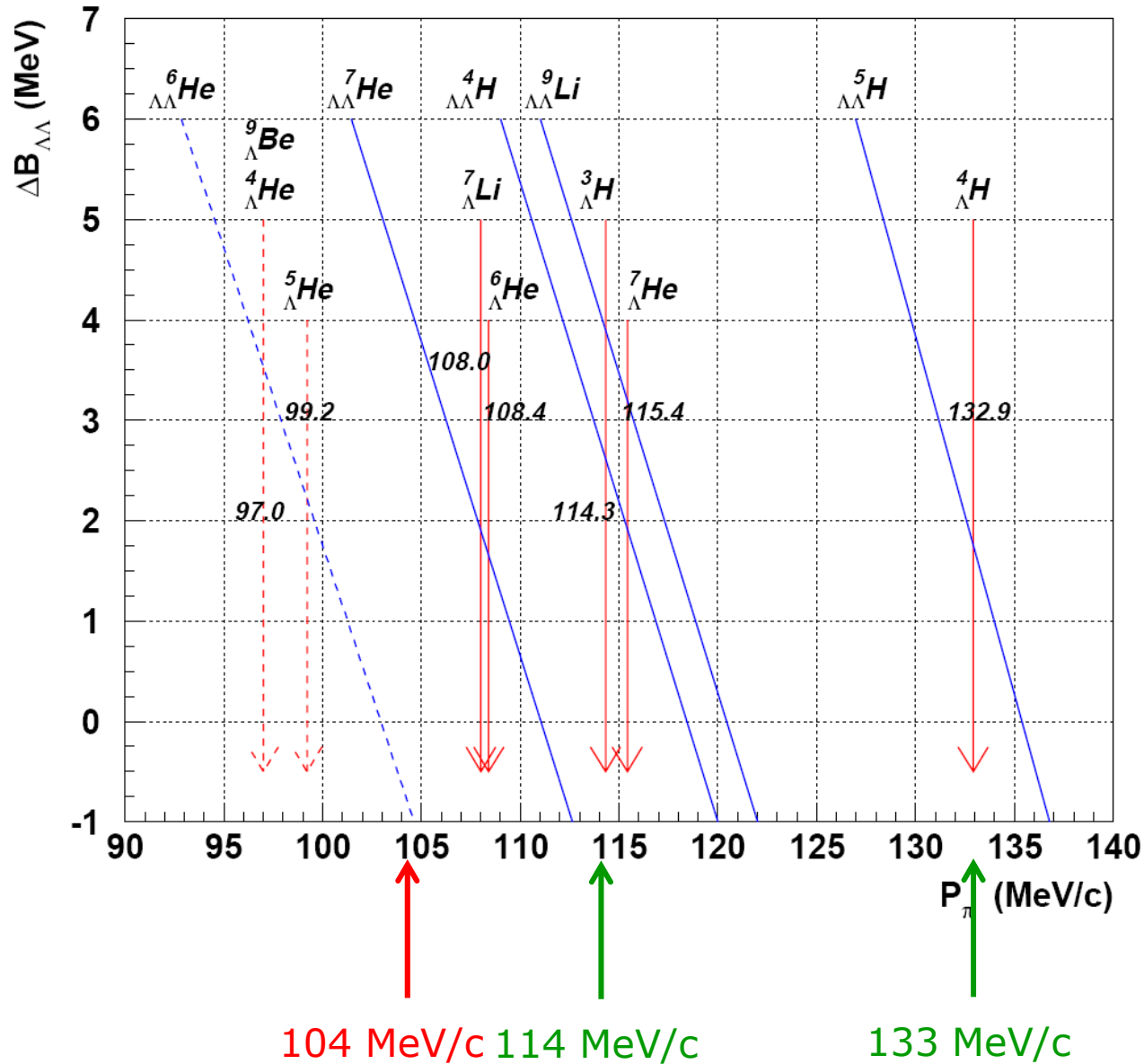
$B_{\Xi^-}$  (atomic 3D) = **0.13** MeV [ ${}^{12}\text{C}-\Xi^-$ ], **0.17** MeV [ ${}^{14}\text{N}-\Xi^-$ ], **0.23** MeV [ ${}^{16}\text{O}-\Xi^-$ ].

# Production of $\Lambda\Lambda$ Hypernuclei

- ▶ simultaneous implantation of two  $\Lambda$ 's impossible
- ▶  $\Xi^-$  conversion in  $2\Lambda$ :  $\Xi^- + p \rightarrow \Lambda + \Lambda + 28\text{MeV}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  large probability that two  $\Lambda$ 's stick to same nucleus



# Pion momenta



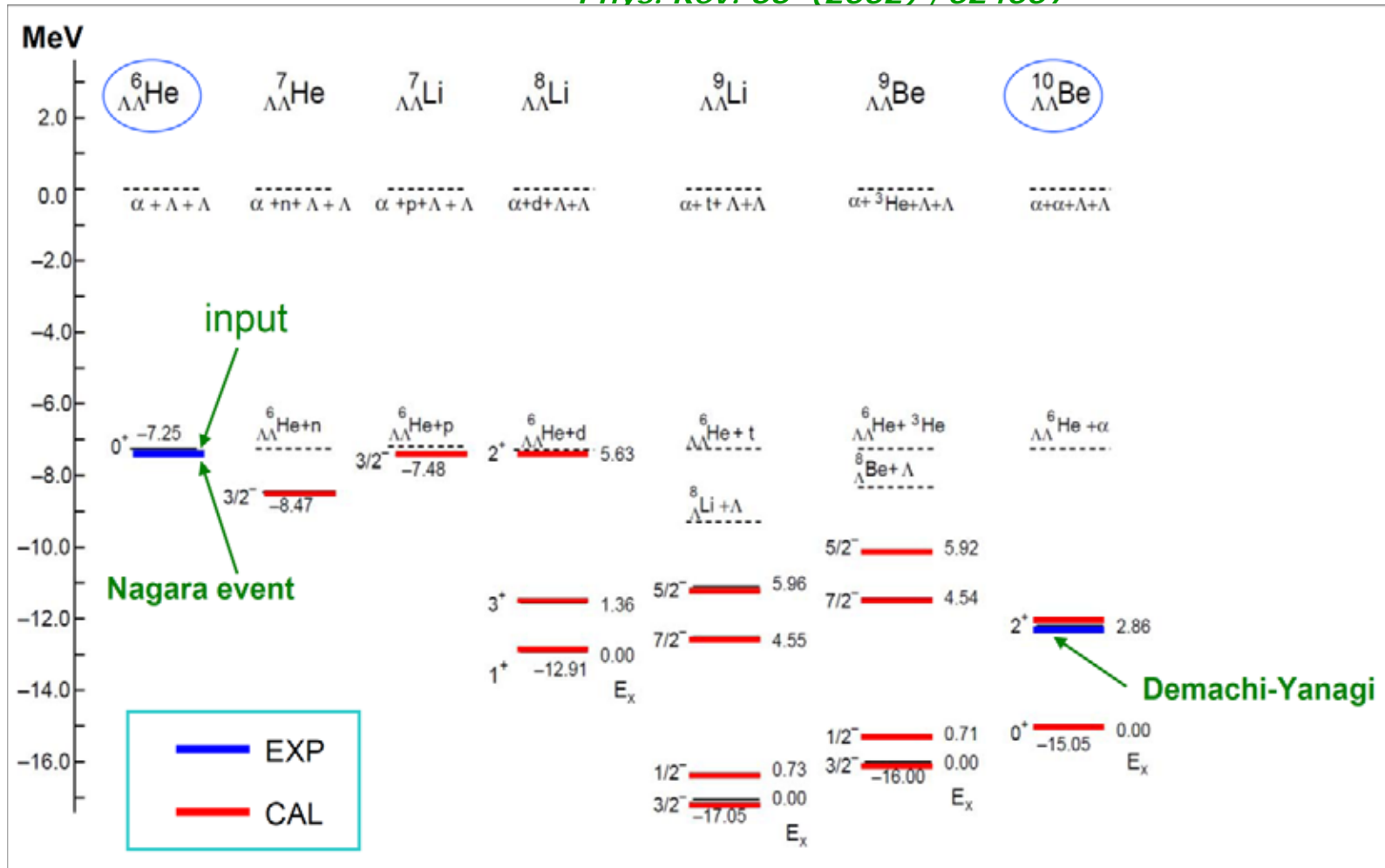
► ...is not straight forward

- ▶ Do excited states exist ?
- ▶ What is the chance that **individual excited**, particle stable states of **double hypernuclei** are produced ?
- ▶ Can we develop a strategy to **identify and assign** possible  $\gamma$ -transitions?



# Spectroscopy of $\Lambda\Lambda$ -hypernuclei

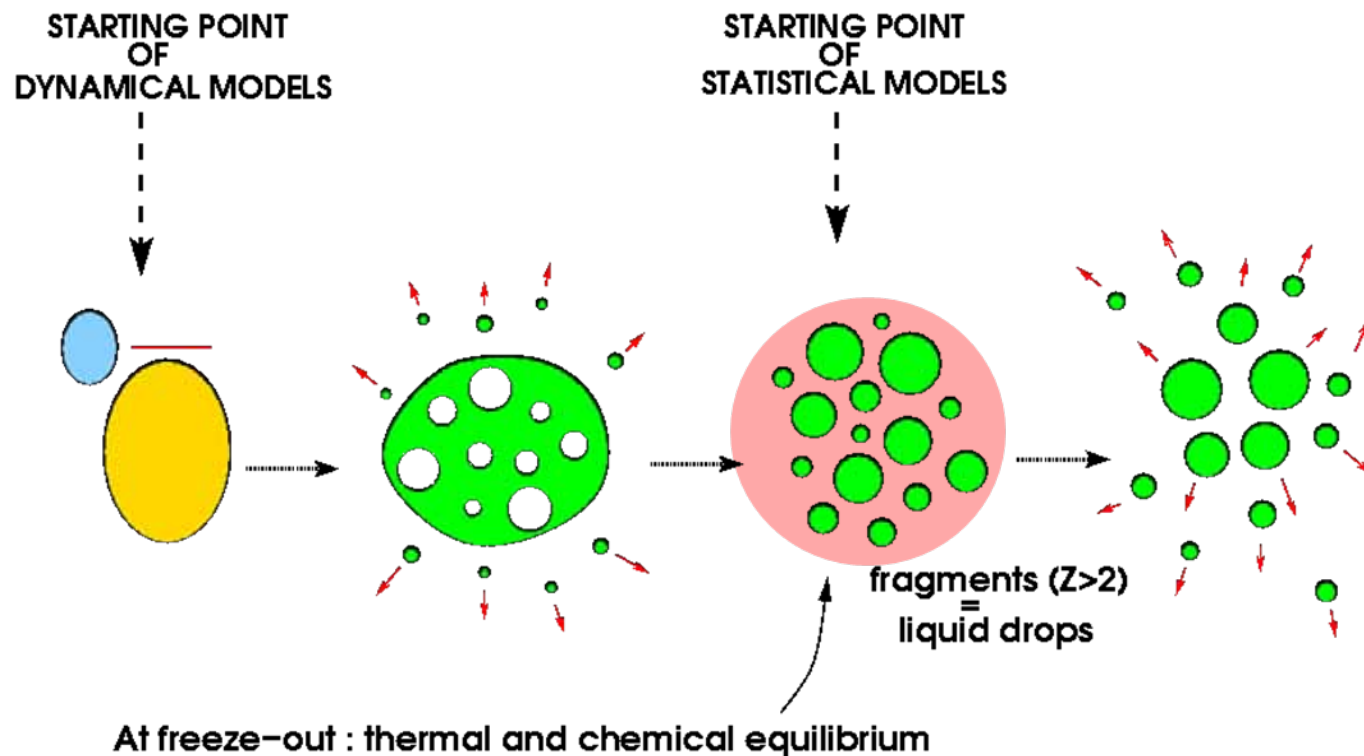
*E. Hiyama, M. Kamimura, T. Motoba, T. Yamada and Y. Yamamoto  
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- ▶ many excited, particle stable states in double hypernuclei predicted
- ▶ level structure reflects levels of core nucleus

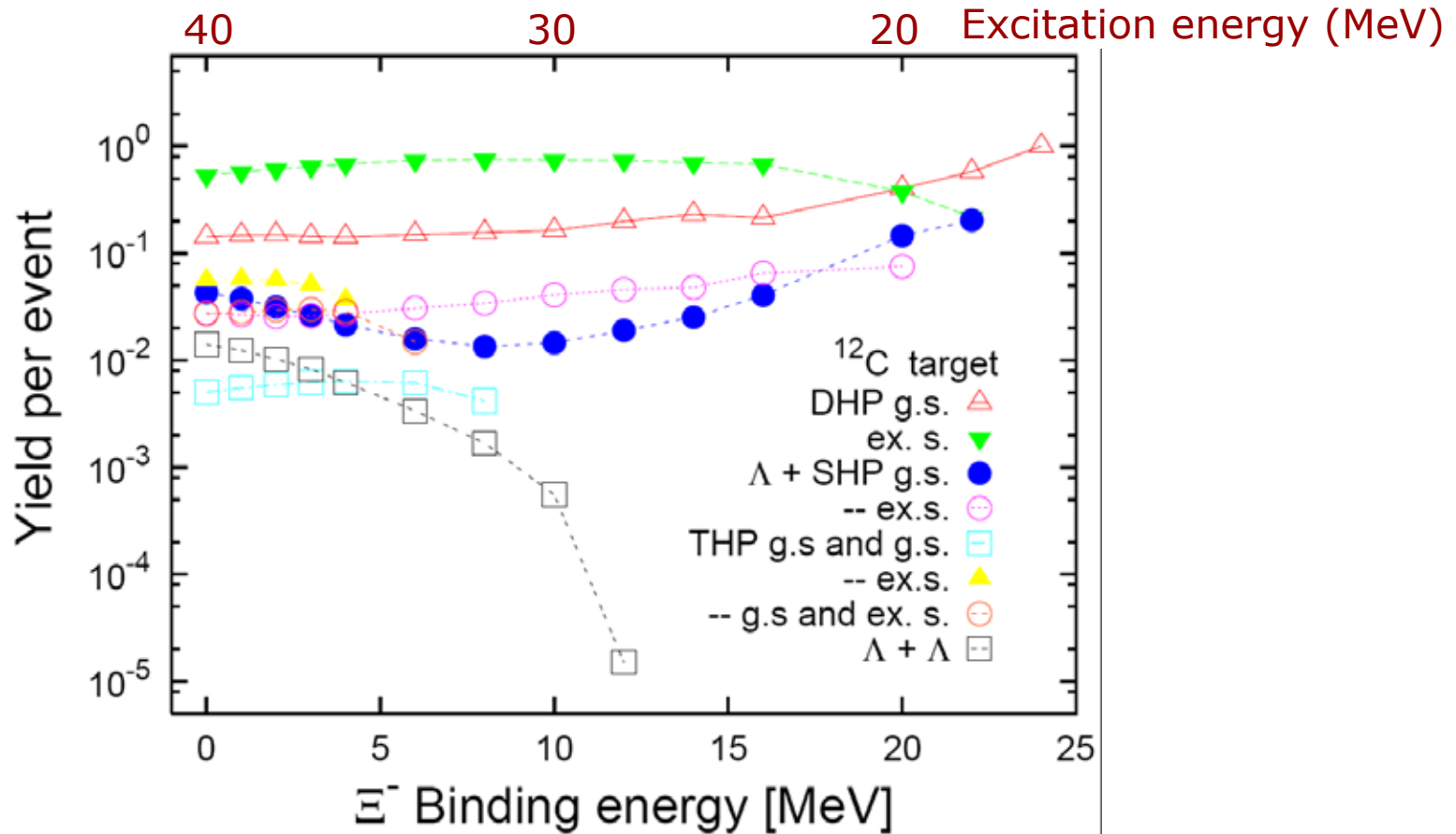
# Multifragmentation

- ▶ conversion width  $\Xi+p_{\zeta} \Lambda\Lambda$  around  $\Gamma=1\text{MeV}$
- ▶ excitation energy  $\sim 40\text{MeV}/12 \approx 3\text{MeV/nucleon}$ 
  - ▶ fragmentation of excited projectile remnants are well understood in that regime
- ▶  $\Rightarrow$  Statistical decay models may work (*E. Fermi; J.P. Bondorf et al.*)
  - ▶ De-excitation of light nuclei via Fermi break-up process
  - ▶ Conservation of  $A, Z, H$ , Energy and momentum



# Excitation Function for ${}^{13}_{\Lambda\Lambda}B^*$ decays

- ▶ DHP  $\nabla\triangle$ : double hypernuclei dominates
- ▶ SHP  $\bullet\circ$ : single hypernuclei below  $B_{\Xi} = -12\text{MeV}$  only  ${}^{12}_{\Lambda}B$  states
- ▶ THP  $\square\blacktriangle\circ$ : twin hypernuclei  $\sim 10\%$



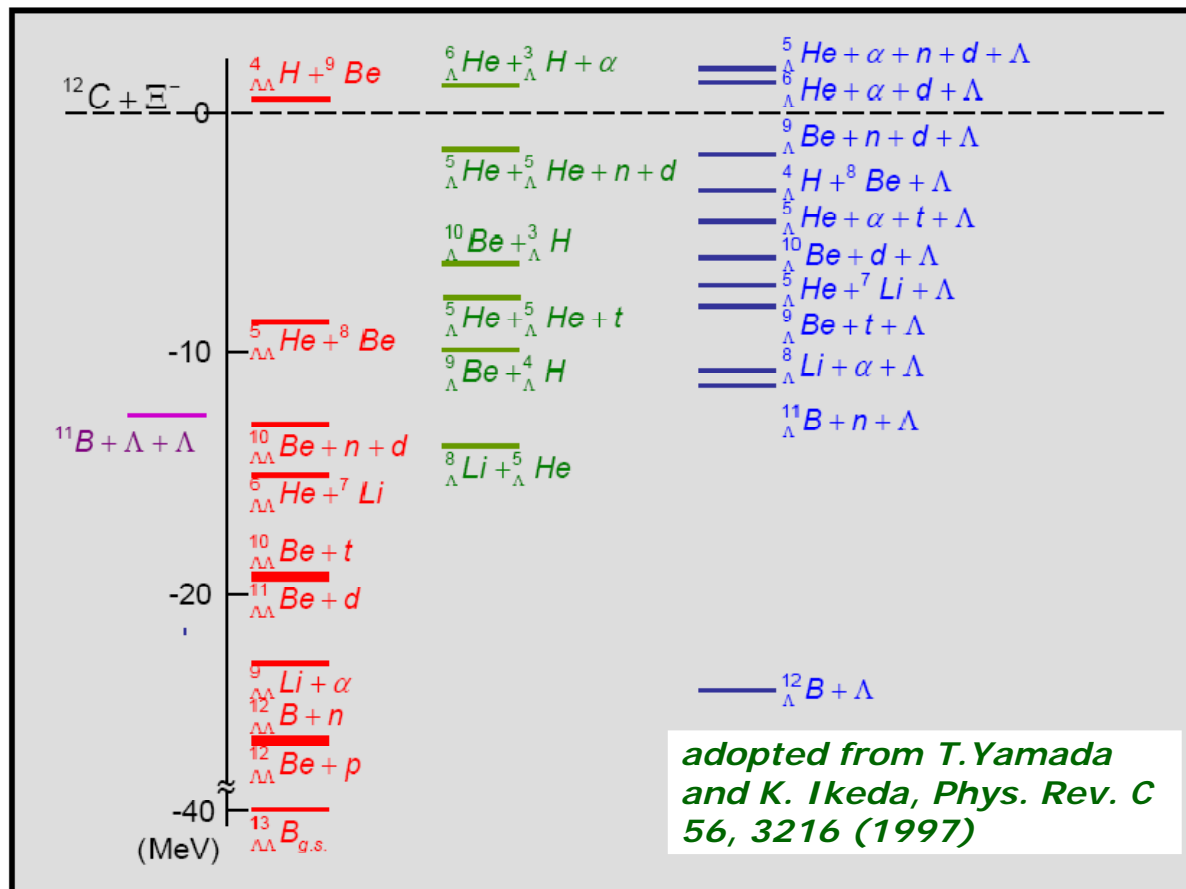
- ▶ note: relevant range probably  $B_{\Xi} \approx -5 \dots 0\text{MeV}$

# Energy Balance for $\Xi$ conversion

- ▶ Maximum energy available with respect to  ${}^{13}_{\Lambda\Lambda}B_{g.s.} \approx 40$  MeV

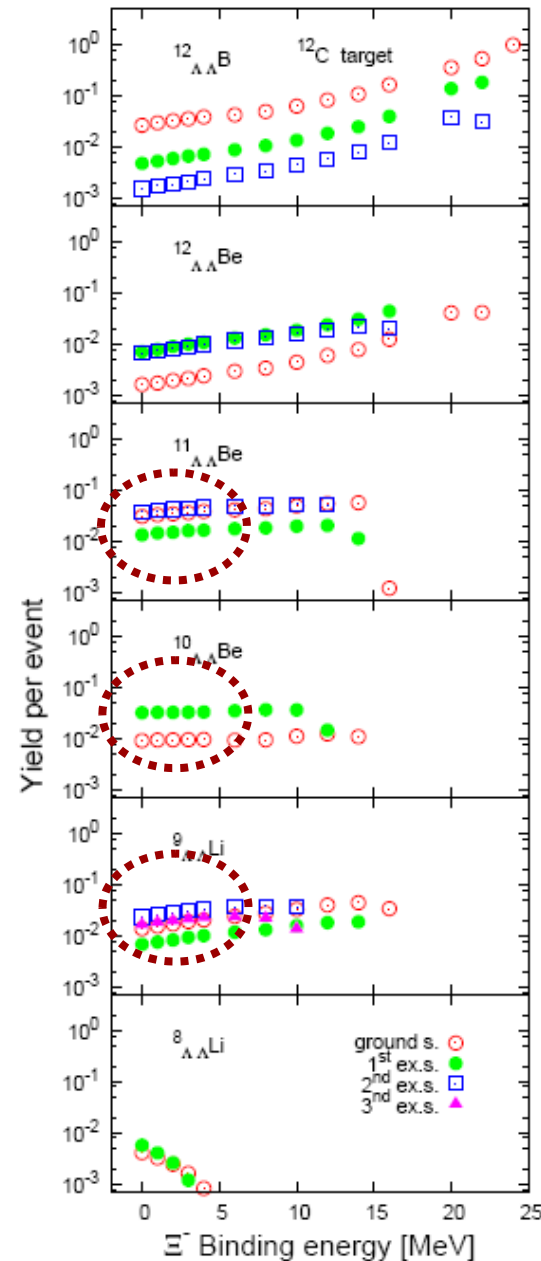
$$E_x = m({}^{12}C) + m(\Xi^-) + B_{\Xi} - m({}^{13}_{\Lambda\Lambda}B)$$

- ▶  $\Xi^-$  binding energy unknown
  - ▶ Theoretical calculations on  $\Xi$  nuclear potential leads to 0.6 – 3.7 MeV  
(*C.J Batty et al, Aoki et al.,...*)



# Population of individual states for $^{12}\text{C}$

- ▶  $^9_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{Li}$ ,  $^{10}_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{Be}$ ,  $^{11}_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{Be}$  dominate (few percent)
- ▶ excited state in  $^{10}_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{Be}$  more likely than ground state  $\Rightarrow$  c.f. E. Hiyama
- ▶ relative large probability ( $\sim 5\%$ ) for individual *excited* states ● □

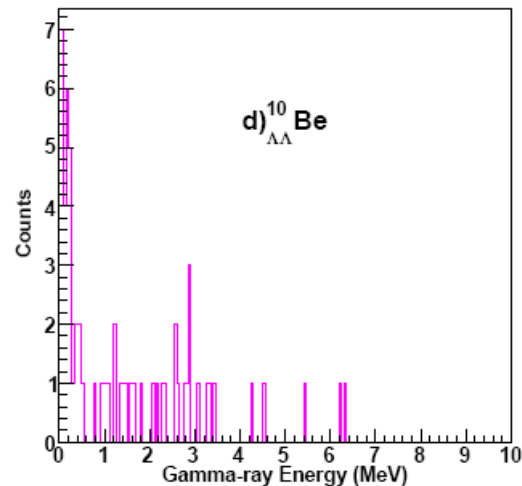
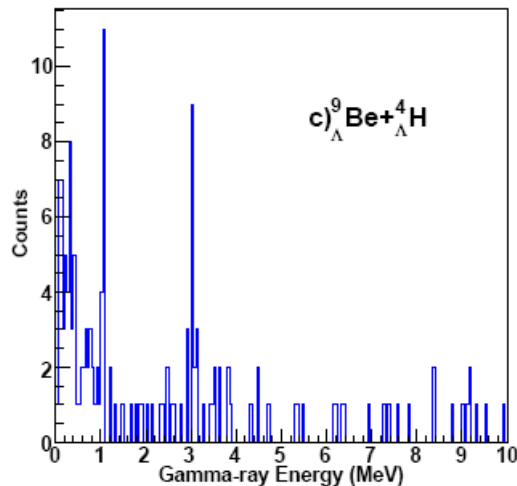
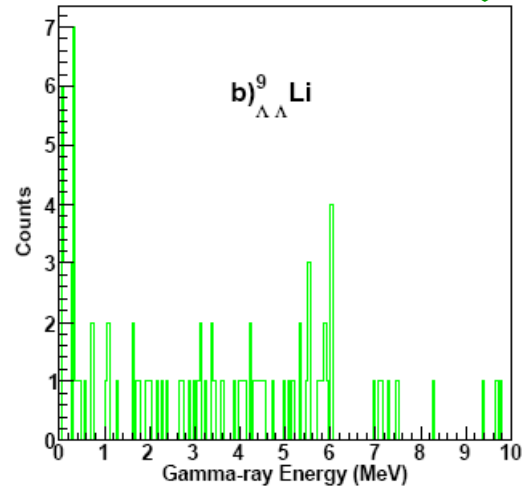
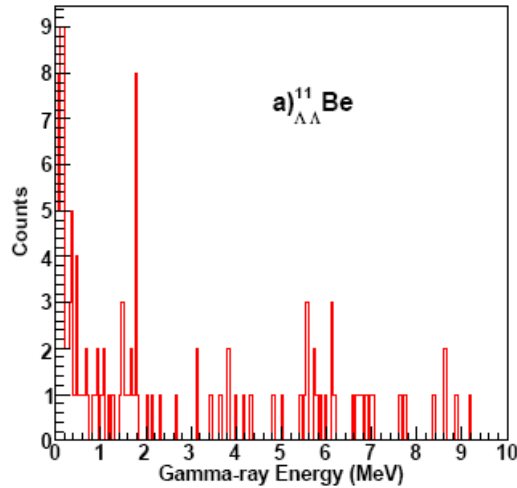




# Simulation within PANDA\_ROOT

- ▶ Example: secondary  $^{12}\text{C}$  target ( $\sim 2$  weeks<sup>\*</sup>)

Alicia Sanchez (Mainz)

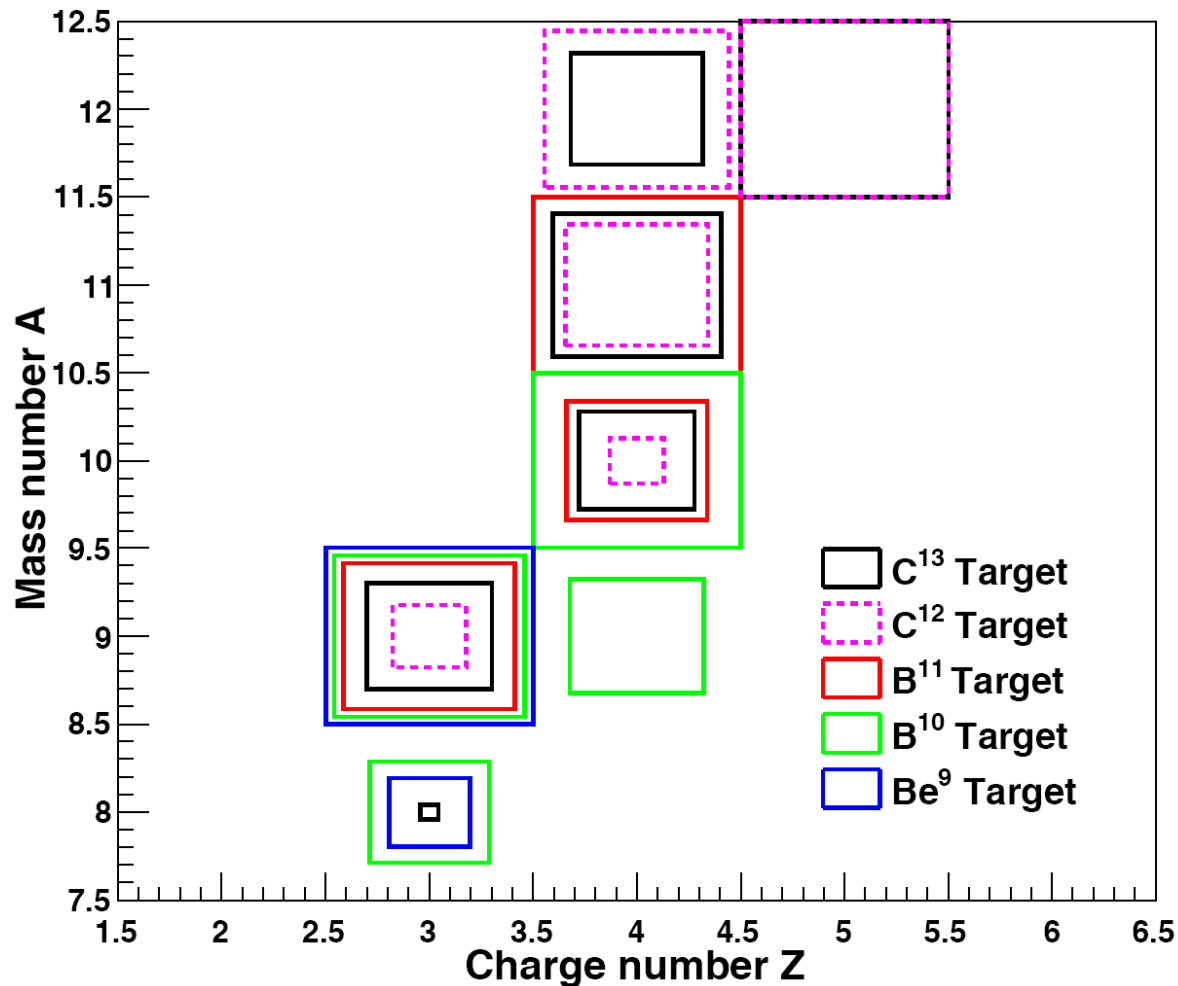


<sup>\*</sup>)In these simulations we assume a  $\Xi$  capture and conversion probability of 5%

([arXiv:0903.3905](https://arxiv.org/abs/0903.3905))

# Identification of double hypernuclei

- ▶ PANDA will explore several targets:  ${}^9\text{Be}$ ,  ${}^{10}\text{B}$ ,  ${}^{11}\text{B}$ ,  ${}^{12}\text{C}$ ,  ${}^{13}\text{C}$
- ▶ Sum of dominating first and second **excited** state

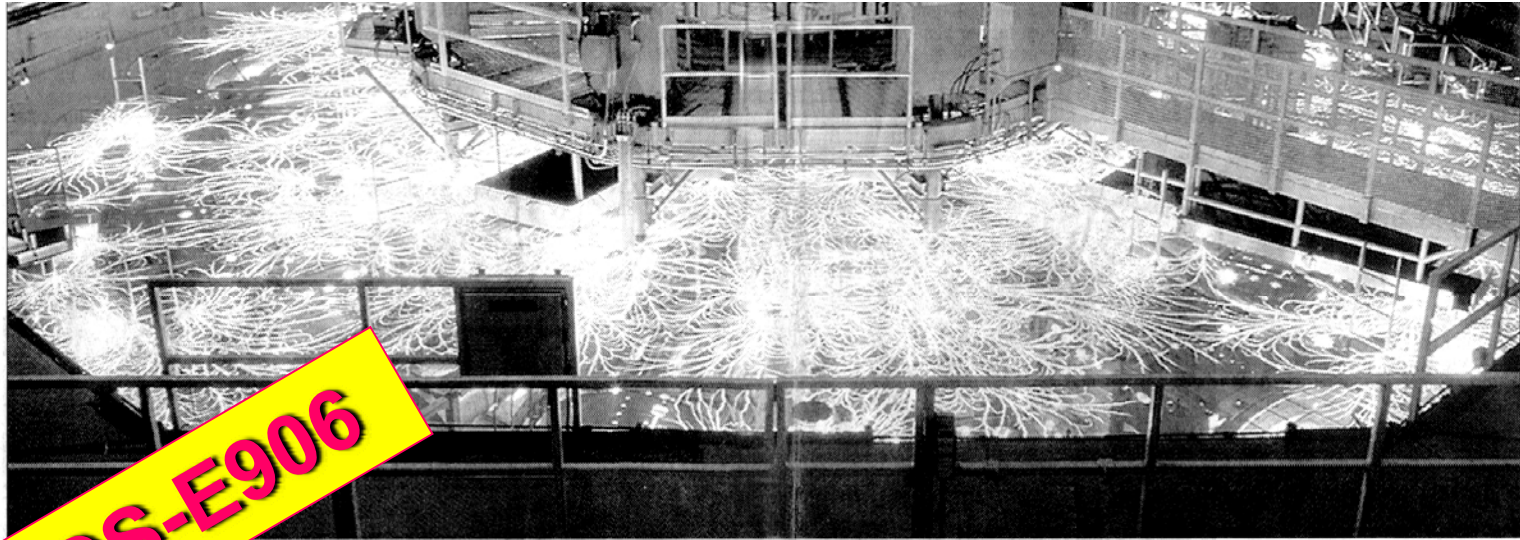


- ▶ caveat: probabilities need to be folded with efficiency

A large, blue, textured planet dominates the left side of the frame. A bright white star is positioned at the center of the planet, creating a vertical lens flare. The background is a deep black space filled with numerous white stars. In the lower right quadrant, a vibrant, multi-colored nebula (purple, blue, green, and red) is visible. A semi-transparent grey horizontal bar is overlaid across the middle of the image, containing the text "The E906 Puzzle" in a light orange, sans-serif font.

# The E906 Puzzle





AGS-E906

...in die modernen Alchimisten Materie ineinander um oder erzeugen gar Materieformen, die es auf der Erde überhaupt nicht gibt. Das Foto zeigt eine Kernfusionsanlage in Neu-Mexiko

## Doppelt seltsame Atomkerne synthetisiert

Nach 40 Jahren gelingt Physikern in den USA die Herstellung von exotischer Neutronenstern-Materie

VON BRIGITTE RÖTHLEIN

**Brookhaven** – Drei Jahre nach Abschluss einer Serie von Experimenten konnten Forscher im Brookhaven National Lab auf Long Island bei der Auswertung der Ergebnisse eine bisher nicht bekannte Art von Materie nachweisen. Sie entstand 1998 bei Zusammenstößen von Wolframatomen mit superschnellen Protonen.

Die Physiker sprechen von „doppelt seltsamen Kernen“ und bringen damit zum Ausdruck, dass sich bei den Kollisionen im Beschleuniger ein Komplex aus mehreren Teilchen gebildet hat, der normalen Atomkernen nicht unähnlich ist. Das Besondere daran ist jedoch, dass diese

Gebilde je zwei „seltsame“ Teilchen enthalten.

Die Experimente von Teilchenforschern laufen in Sekundenbruchteilen ab. Man lässt dabei beschleunigte Elementarteilchen auf Ziele prallen und untersucht mit Hilfe großer Detektoren, welche Bruchstücke dabei entstehen. Die Vielzahl der in den letzten Jahrzehnten auf diese Weise entdeckten Teilchen hat gezeigt, dass sich unsere „normale“ Materie auf zwei so genannte Quarks (mit den Namen „up“ und „down“) und Elektronen zurückführen lässt.

Daneben gibt es aber auch noch exotische Arten von Materie, die aus schwereren Teilchen bestehen und auf der Erde üblicherweise nicht

vorkommen. Zur Unterscheidung erhielten die Quarks dieser Materie die willkürlich gewählten Namen „strange“ (seltsam) und „charm“.

Aus den Millionen von Daten, die während einer Messkampagne entstehen, müssen die Physiker am Ende die wirklich relevanten „Ereignisse“ herausfinden, die sprichwörtliche Nadel im Heuhaufen. In Brookhaven hat sich die Mühe offenbar gelohnt; aus 100 Millionen infrage kommenden Ereignissen filterten Computer zunächst 100 000 heraus, unter denen man dann 30 bis 40 mit den gesuchten Eigenschaften fand. „Hier wurde zum ersten Mal eine größere Anzahl von seltsamen Atomkernen erzeugt“, erklärt Adam Rusek, der

stellvertretende Sprecher der 50 beteiligten Physiker aus sechs Ländern.

40 Jahre lang hatte man in den USA, Europa und Japan nach den Gebilden gesucht, aber nur je eines davon gefunden, zum Teil mit zweifelhafter Sicherheit. Nun gelang es nachzuweisen, dass über einen mehrstufigen Zerfallsprozess Strukturen entstanden waren, die aus einem Neutron, einem Proton und zwei Lambda-Teilchen bestanden. Diese enthalten je ein up- und ein down-Quark und ein seltsames (strange) Quark. Die Lambda-Paare sind nun die bejubelten „doppelt seltsamen Kerne“. Es ist allerdings sehr schwierig, sie näher zu untersuchen, da sie bereits nach weniger

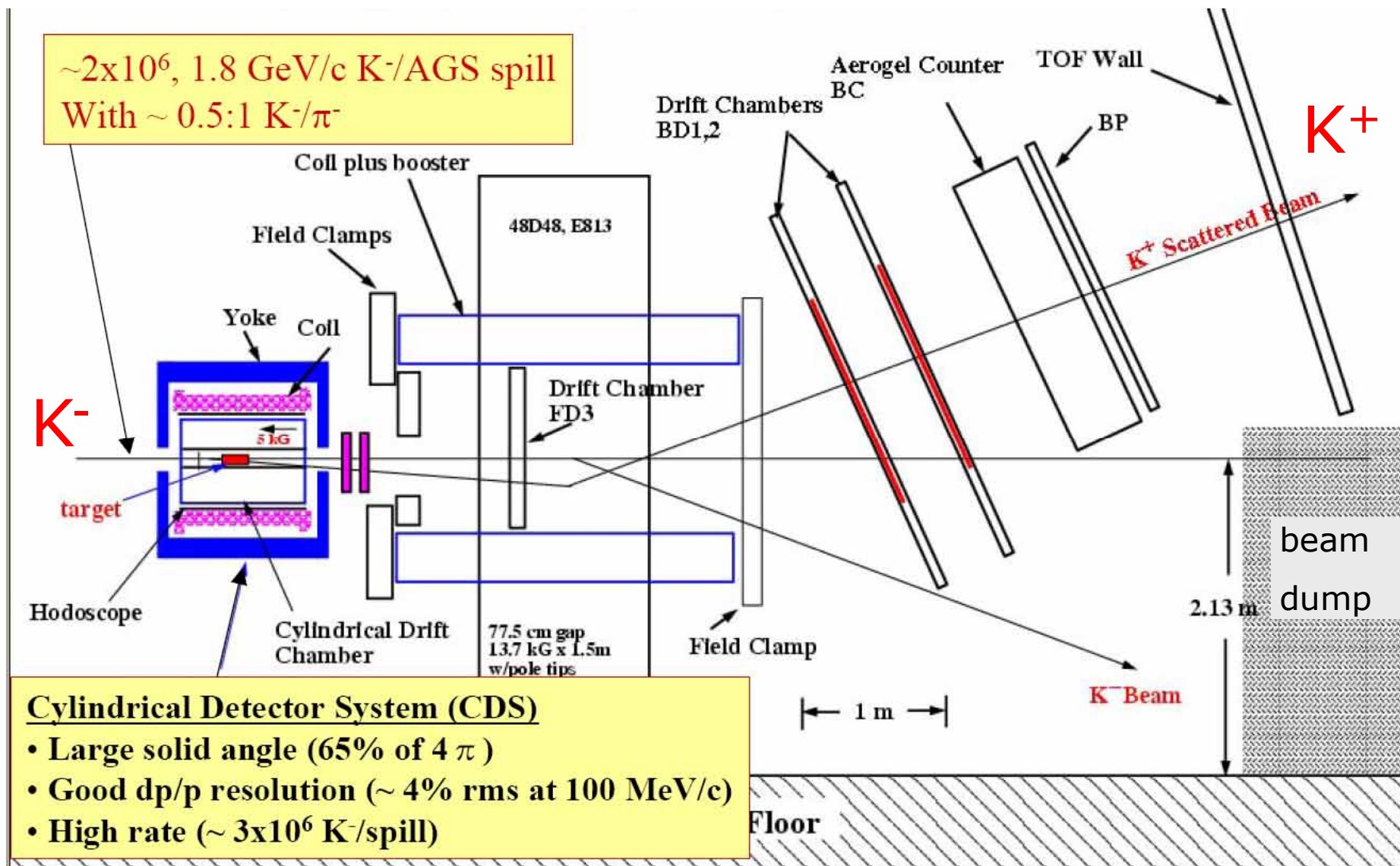
als einer Milliardstel Sekunde wieder zerfallen.

Die Forscher erhoffen sich vom Studium der seltsamen Kerne Erkenntnisse über jene Kräfte, die zwischen den Teilchen wirken. Daraus wollen sie Rückschlüsse auf die Prozesse in so genannten Neutronensternen ziehen. Diese Himmelskörper entstehen, wenn heiße Sterne am Ende ihres Lebens ausgebrannt sind und in sich zusammenstürzen. Man vermutet, dass sie große Mengen seltsamer Teilchen enthalten und dass sie der einzige Ort im All sind, wo seltsame Materie stabil existiert.



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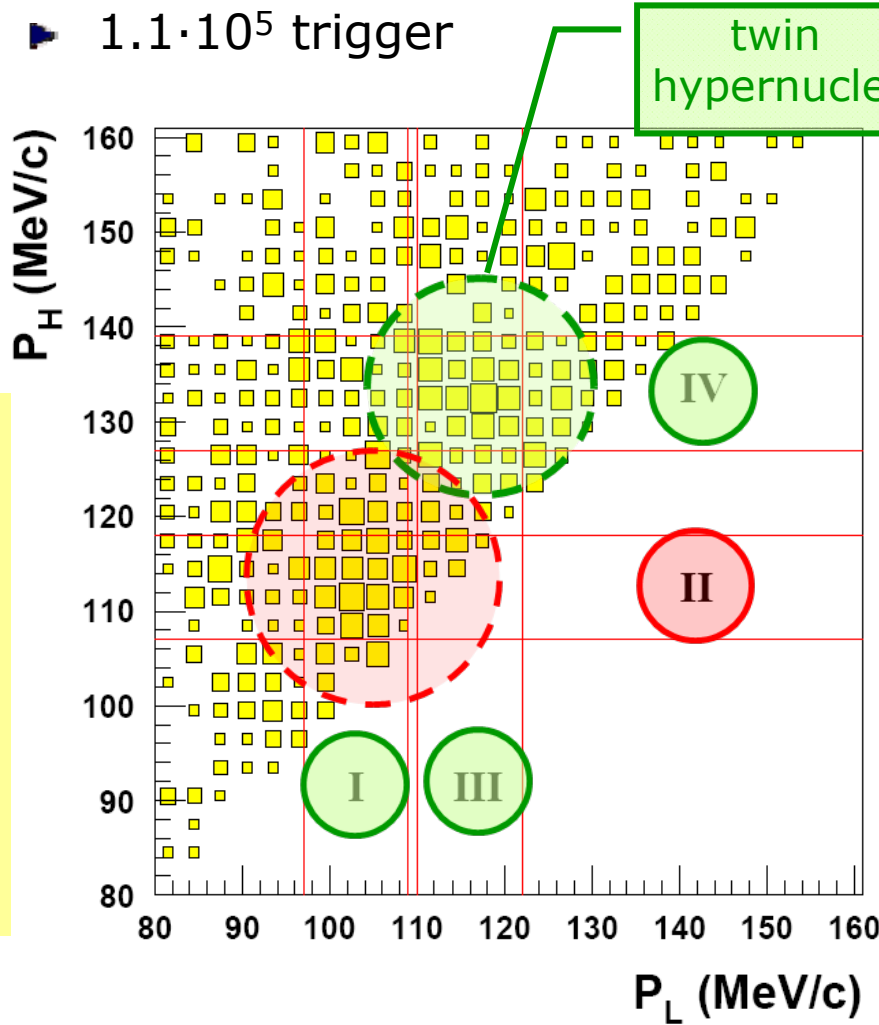
# The E906 experiment





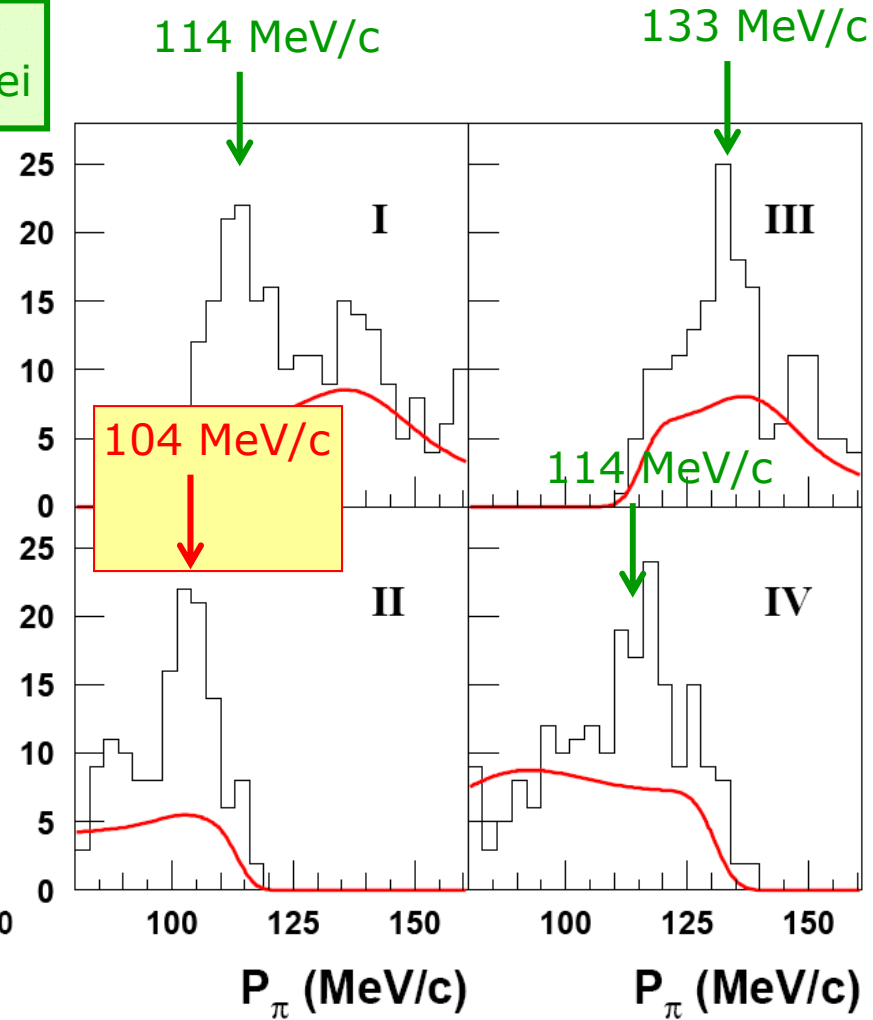
- ▶  $9 \cdot 10^{11}$   $K^-$  on Be target
- ▶  $1.1 \cdot 10^5$  trigger

momentum of the pion  
with lower momentum



momentum of the pion  
with lower momentum

consistent with single  $\Lambda$  hypernuclei



## Production of ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^4\text{H}$ Hypernuclei

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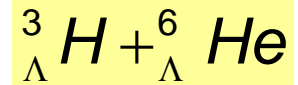
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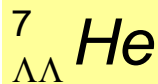
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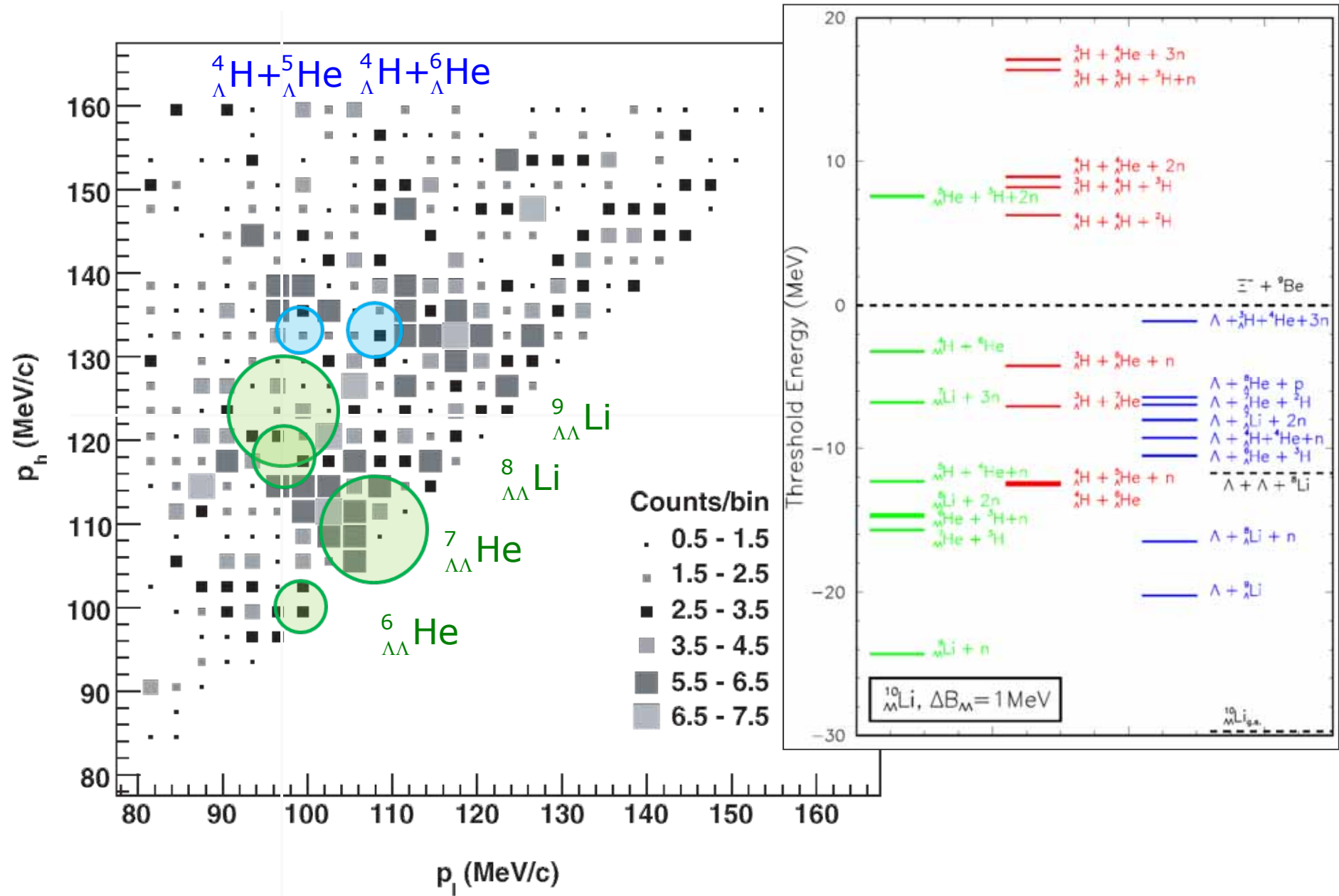
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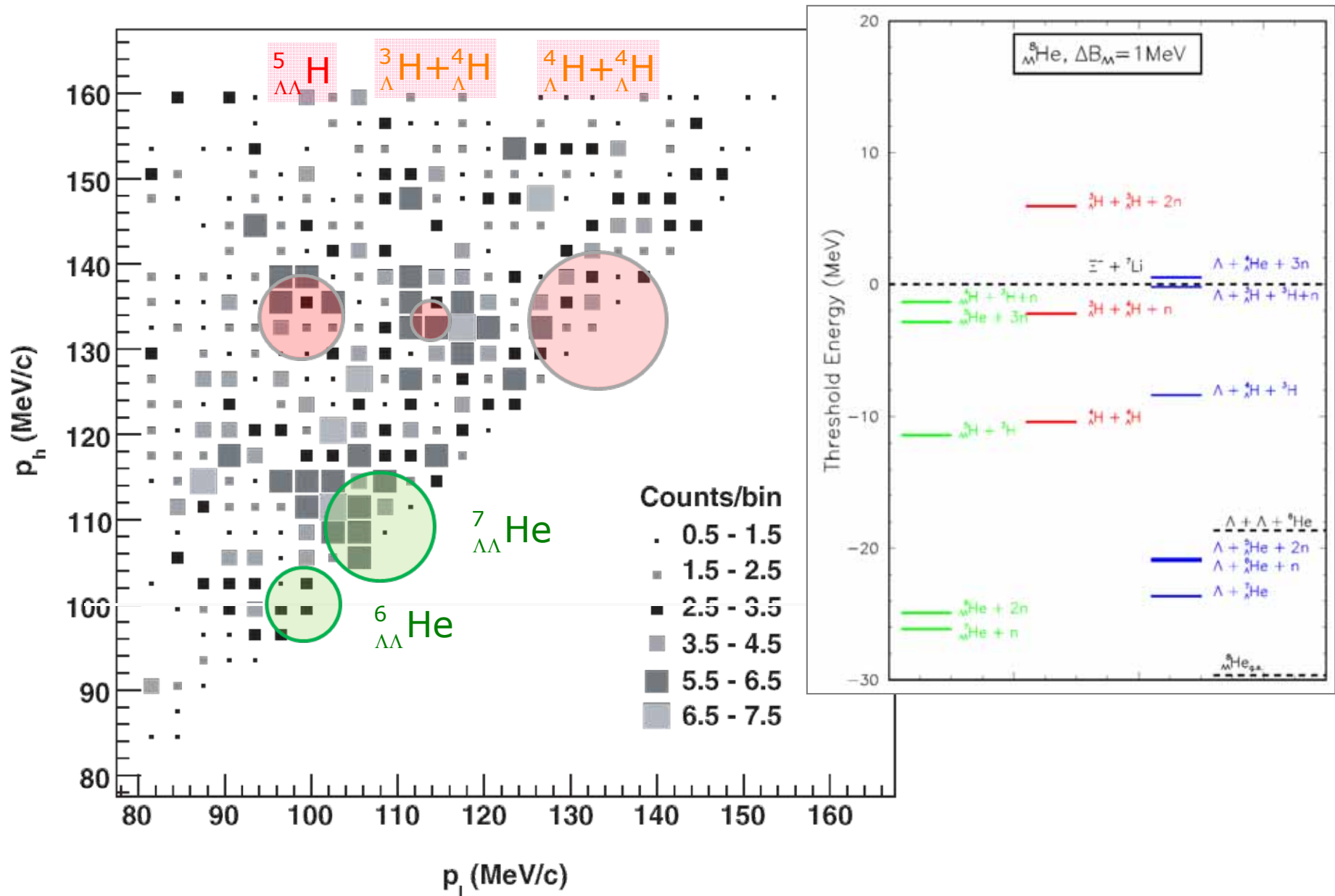
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# $\Xi^-$ Stopping & Fusion: $\Xi^- + {}^9\text{Be} \rightarrow {}^{10}_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{Li}^*$



# $p(K^-, K^+) \Xi^-$ & N kickout $\Rightarrow$ ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^8 \text{He}^*$ or ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^8 \text{H}^*$







# Antihyperons in Nuclei

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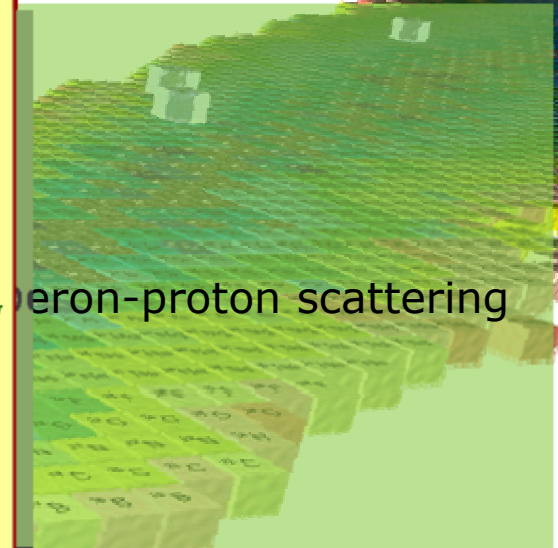


# Nuclei with hyperons

Increasing strangeness

$B$   
 $Y$   $X$

<i>Nucleon</i>	$\approx -40\text{MeV}$
<i>Lambda</i>	$\approx -27\text{MeV}$
<i>Cascade</i>	$\sim -15\text{MeV}$
<i>Antinucleon</i>	$\sim -150\text{MeV}$
<i>Antilambda</i>	?
<i>Anticascade</i>	?



Hyperon-proton scattering

$\bar{B}$   
 $\bar{Y}$   $\bar{X}$

$B$   
 $\bar{Y}$   $X$

Can we do a scattering experiment with low momentum antihyperons?

In principle Yes !

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# How to measure a potential (difference)

$$\tilde{p}_Y = \sqrt{p_Y^2 - 2U_Y m_Y}$$

$$\tilde{p}_{\bar{Y}} = \sqrt{p_{\bar{Y}}^2 - 2U_{\bar{Y}} m_{\bar{Y}}}$$



$$\vec{p}_Y = -\vec{p}_{\bar{Y}}$$

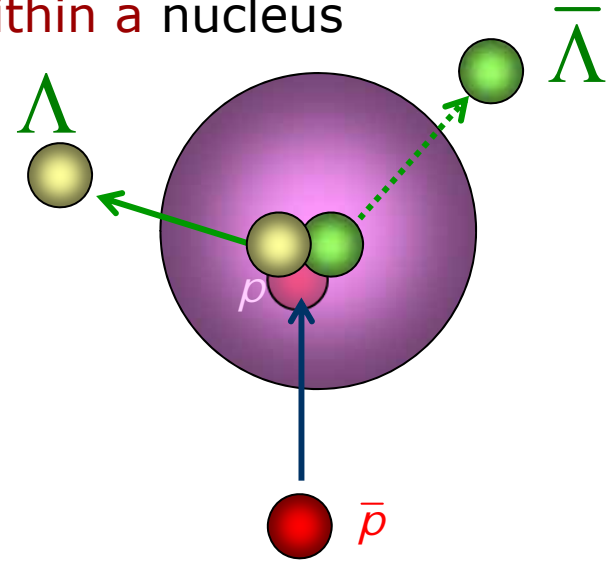


► If  $m_Y \approx m_{\bar{Y}} \approx m$  and  $U_Y \approx U_{\bar{Y}} \approx U \Rightarrow$

$$\alpha = \frac{\tilde{p}_Y - \tilde{p}_{\bar{Y}}}{\tilde{p}_Y + \tilde{p}_{\bar{Y}}} = \frac{\sqrt{p_0^2 - 2m_Y U_Y} - \sqrt{p_0^2 - 2m_{\bar{Y}} U_{\bar{Y}}}}{\sqrt{p_0^2 - 2m_Y U_Y} + \sqrt{p_0^2 - 2m_{\bar{Y}} U_{\bar{Y}}}} \approx \frac{U_{\bar{Y}} - U_Y}{4 \left( \frac{p_0^2}{2m} - U \right)} \approx \frac{U_{\bar{Y}} - U_Y}{4E_{kin}}$$

# Can we measure the potential for $\bar{Y}$ ?

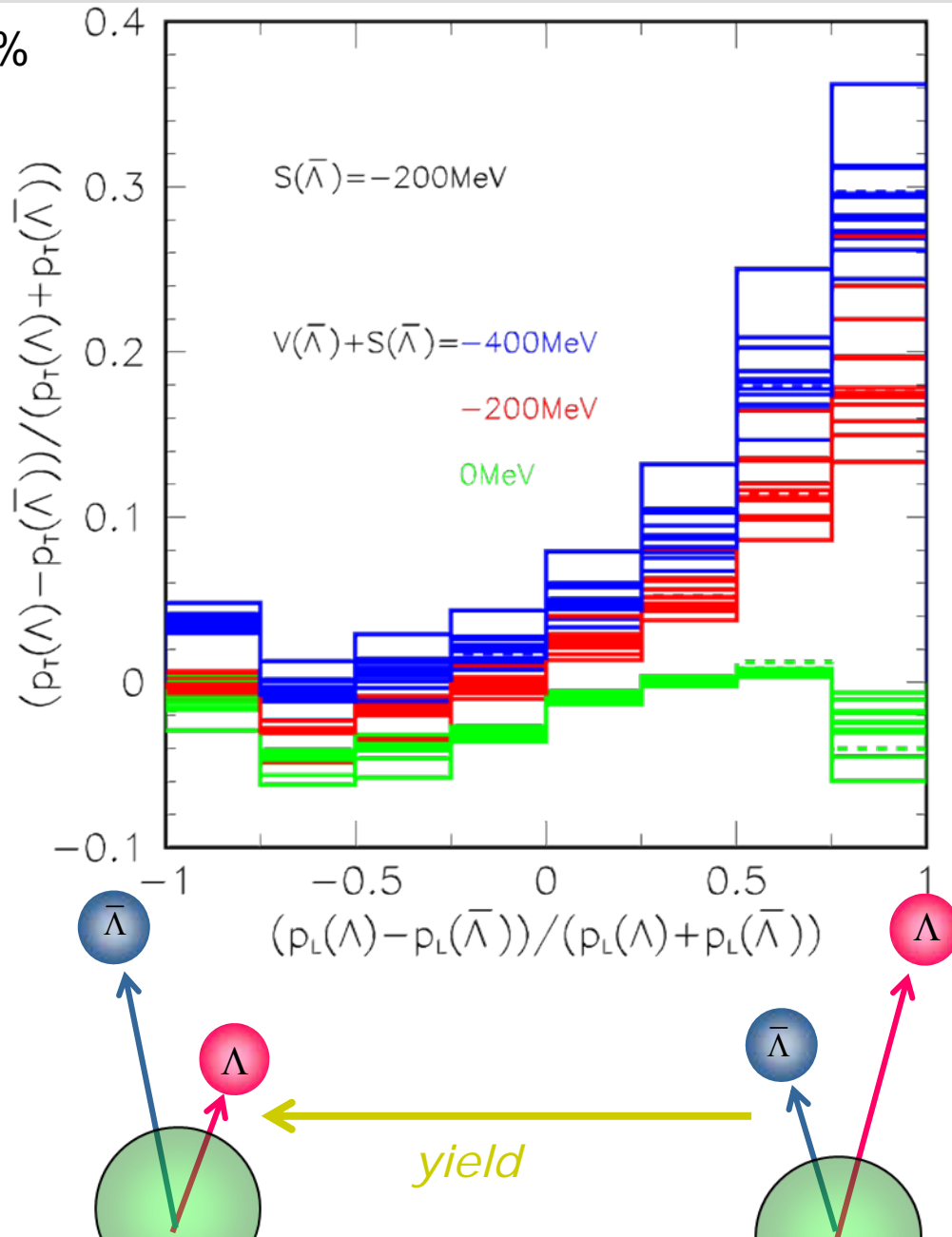
- ▶ antiprotons are optimal for the production of mass without large momenta
- ▶ consider  $p+p \rightarrow Y+\bar{Y}$  close to threshold **within a nucleus**
- ▶  $\Lambda$  and  $\bar{\Lambda}$  that leave the nucleus will have different asymptotic momenta depending on the respective potential
- ▶ experimental complications
  - ▶ Fermi motion of struck proton
  - ▶ Non-isotropic production
  - ▶ Density distribution  $U(\rho)$
  - ▶ Exclusiveness

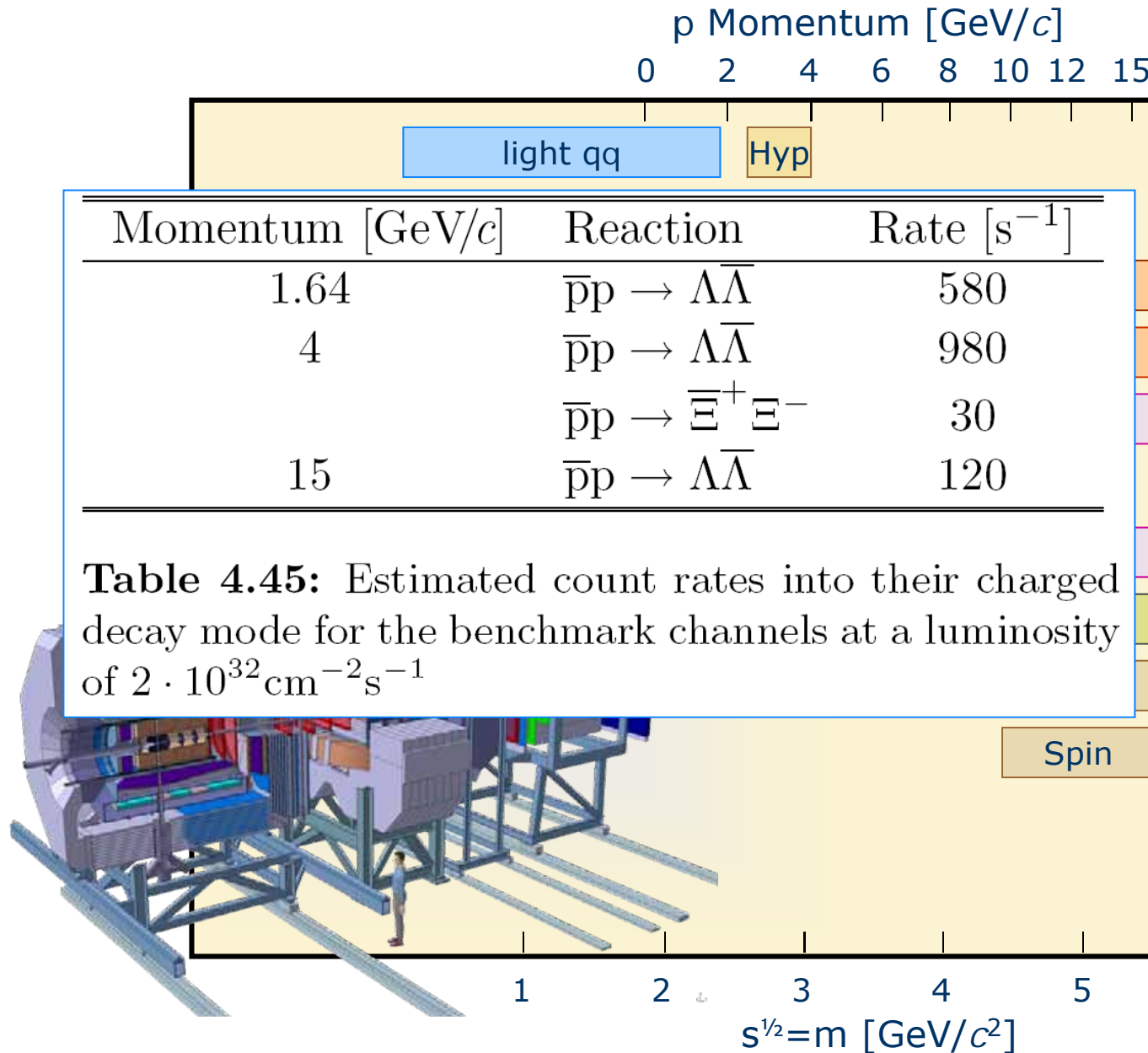


⇒ need to look at **average transverse** momentum close to threshold of **coincident  $Y\bar{Y}$  pairs**

# Parameter Scan

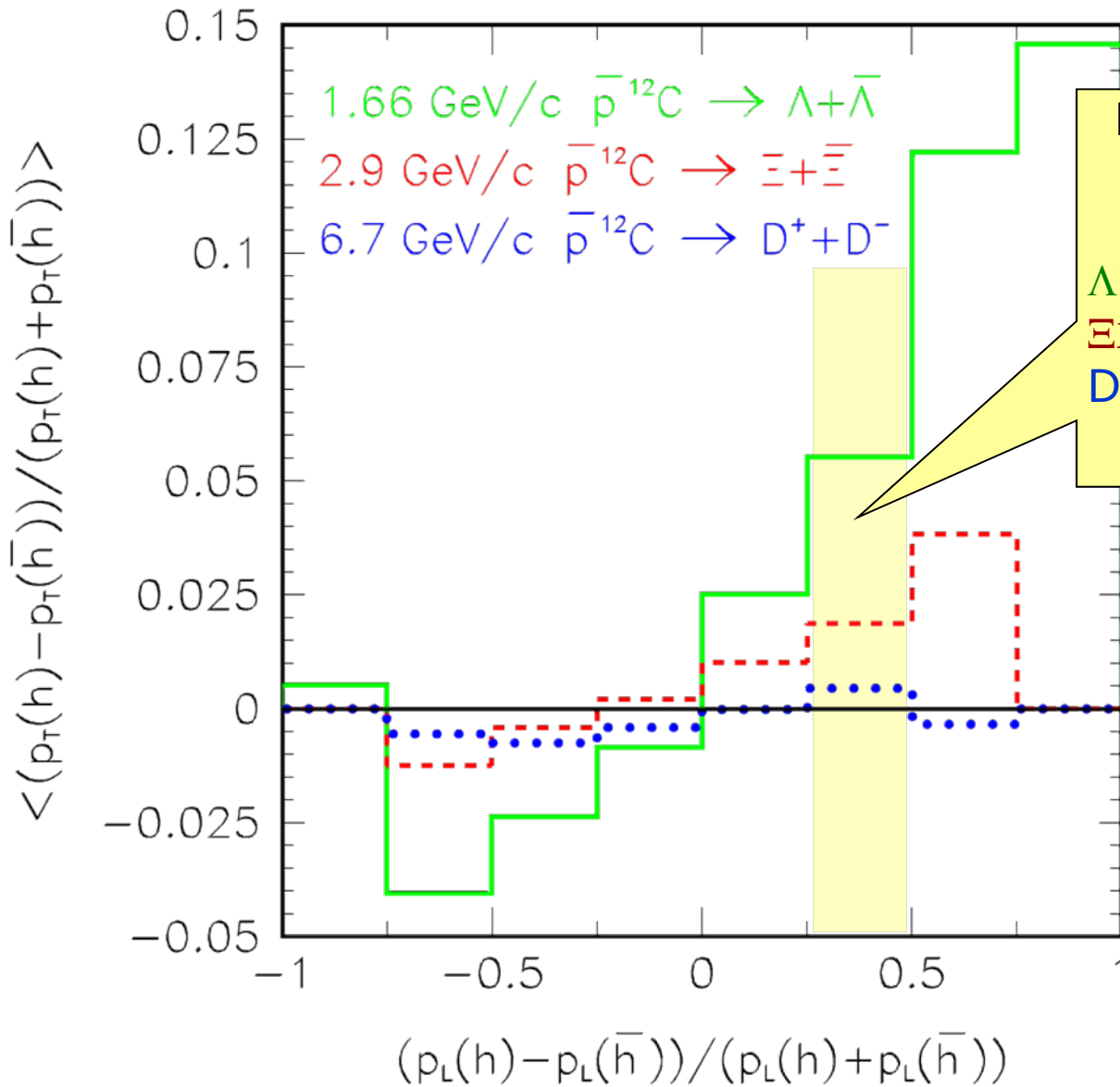
- ▶ Parameter variation by  $\pm 50\%$ 
  - ▶ Other potentials ( $p, p, \Lambda$ )
  - ▶ absorption cross sections
  - ▶ angular distribution
  - ▶ diffuseness
- ▶ Transverse asymmetry mainly determined by total potential
- ▶ Effect largest for backward emitted  $\bar{\Lambda}$
- ▶  $a_T$  non-zero even if  $V+S=0$







# Other hadron-antihadron pairs



Required running time  
for  $\delta a/a = 10\%$ :

$\Lambda_L$ : few minutes  
 $\Xi_X$ : several h  
 $D_D$ : several months  
at PANDA

# Summary

- ▶ **Modern theoretical approaches** offer the chance to extract Y-N and Y-Y interaction from hypernuclei
- ▶ **Gamma spectroscopy of double hypernuclei** will be feasible at PANDA
- ▶ Antiproton collisions with nuclei are the ideal tool to produce exclusively hyperon-antihyperon pairs in nuclei at momenta close to threshold
- ▶ Transverse momentum correlations of hyperon-antihyperon pairs produced close to threshold offer a unique opportunity to explore the **potential of antihyperons** *relative* to that of hyperons

THANK YOU