

Unveiling the strong interaction among hadrons at the LHC

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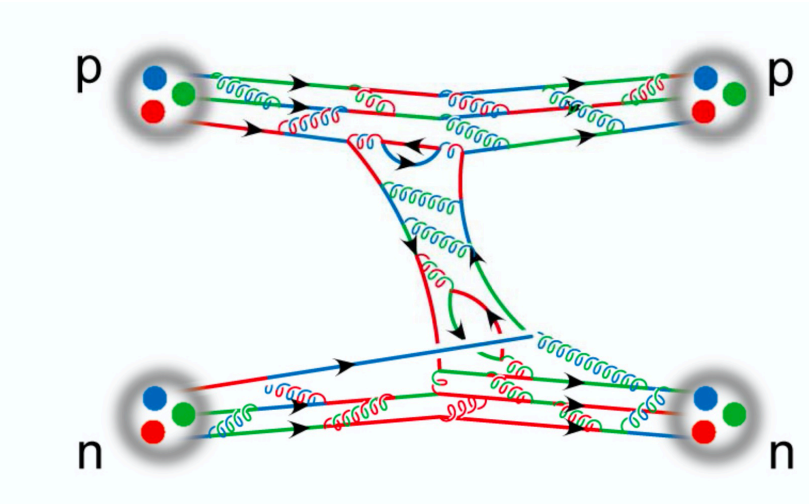


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Neutrinos
Dark Matter
Messengers

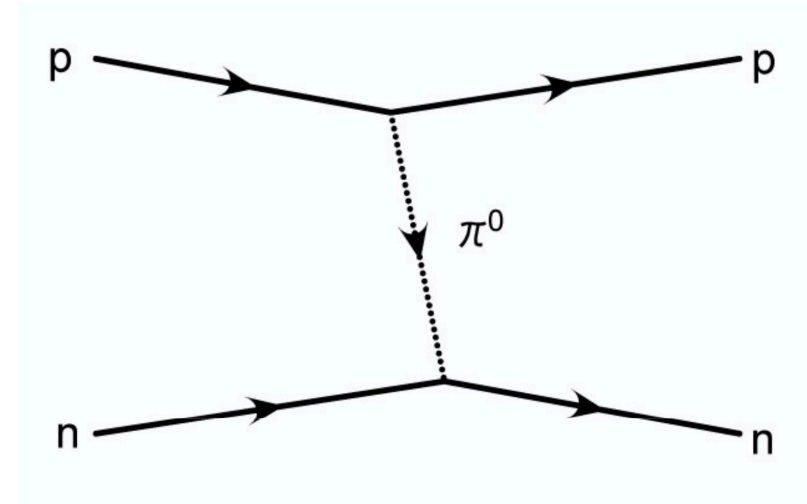
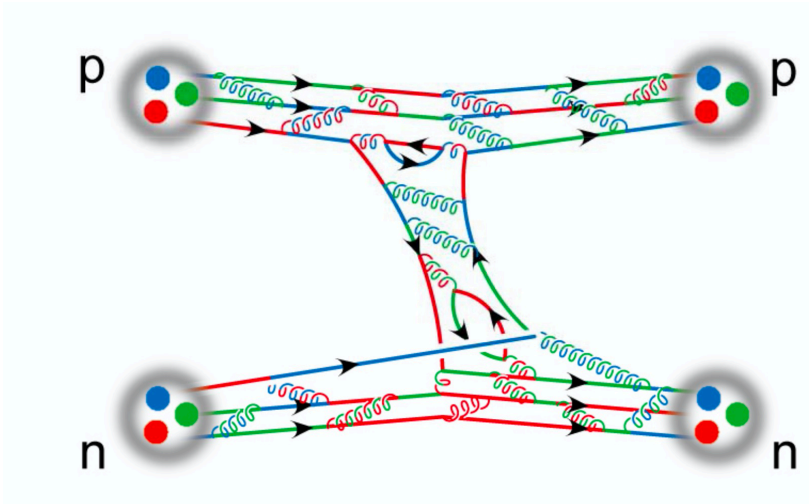


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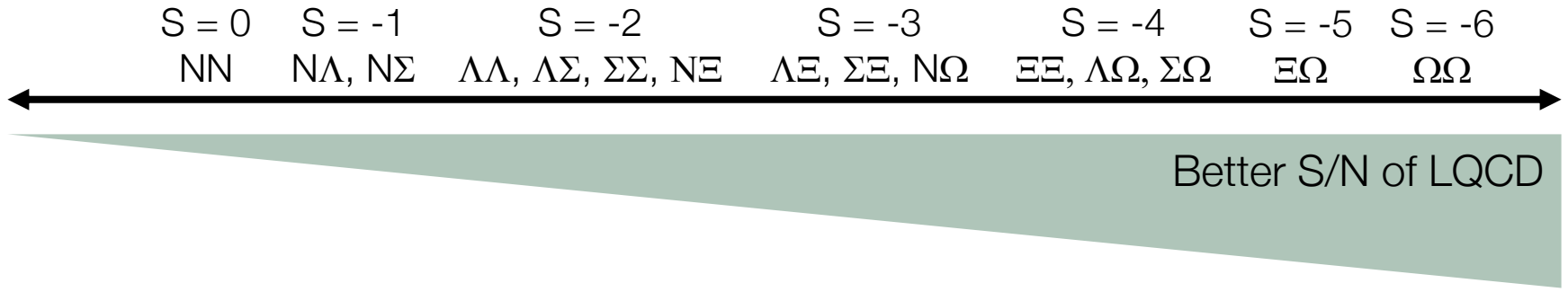


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- Calculations starting from an effective Lagrangian (chiral effective field theory)
 - Hadrons as degrees of freedom
 - Chiral Perturbation theory



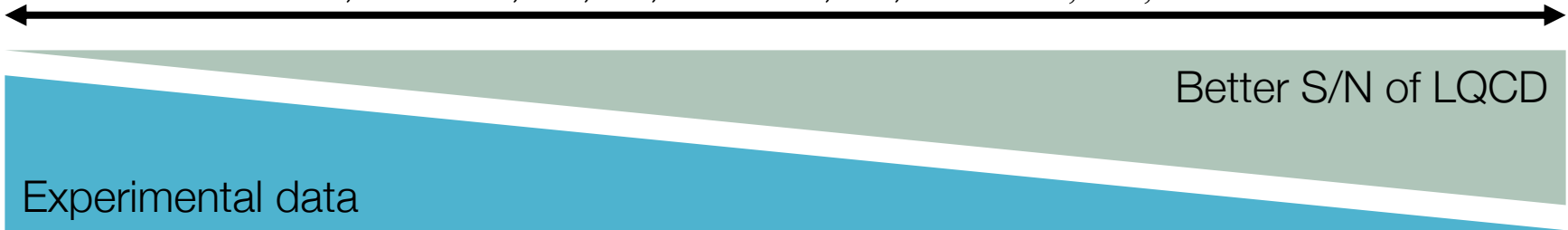
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Strong interaction among (strange) baryons

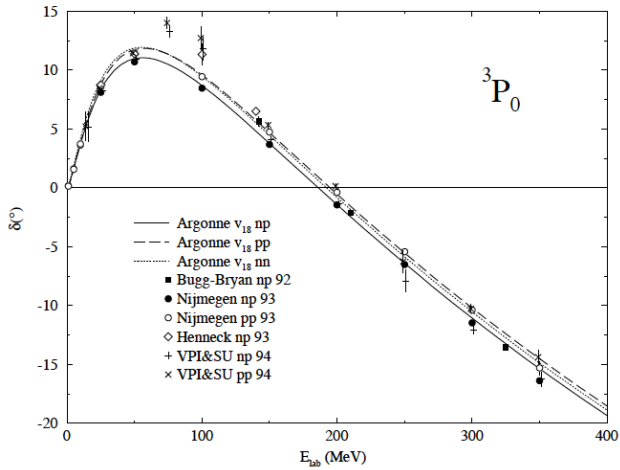


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$S = 0$ $S = -1$ $S = -2$ $S = -3$ $S = -4$ $S = -5$ $S = -6$
 NN $N\Lambda, N\Sigma$ $\Lambda\Lambda, \Lambda\Sigma, \Sigma\Sigma, N\Xi$ $\Lambda\Xi, \Sigma\Xi, N\Omega$ $\Xi\Xi, \Lambda\Omega, \Sigma\Omega$ $\Xi\Omega$ $\Omega\Omega$

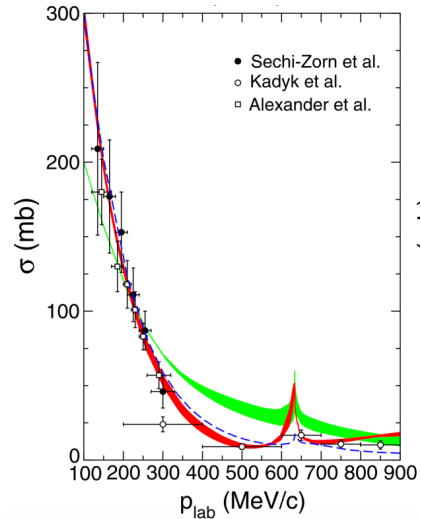


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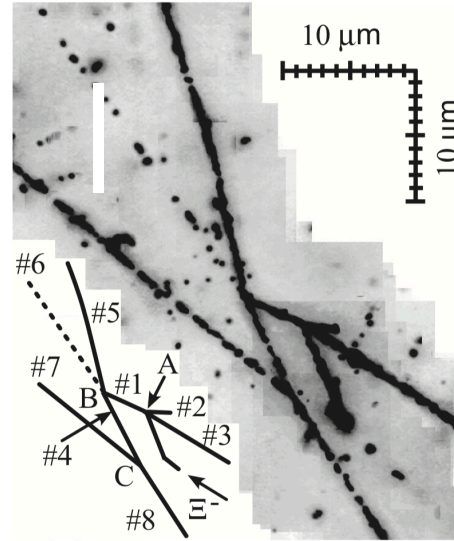
R. B. Wiringa, V. G. J. Stoks, R. Schiavilla, PRC 51 (1995) 38-51.

p-Λ → p-Λ



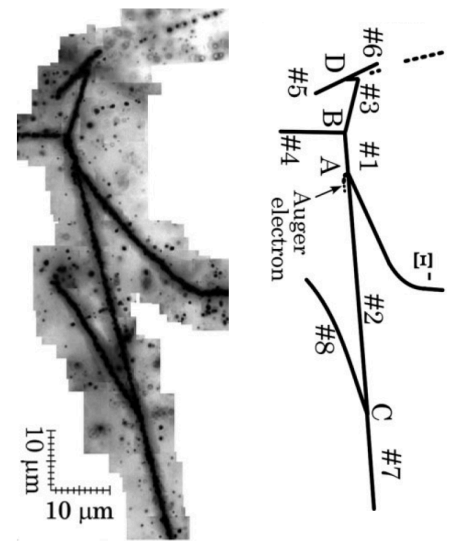
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Double Λ Hypernucleus



J. K. Ahn et al., PRC 88, 014003 (2013)

Ξ Hypernucleus



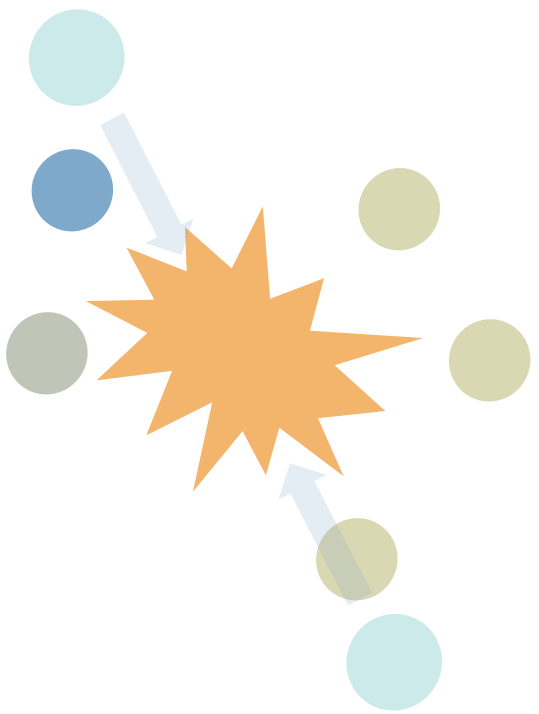
K. Nakazawa et al. PTEP 2015, 033D02



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- Study of correlations in the relative momentum k^* distribution of particle pairs

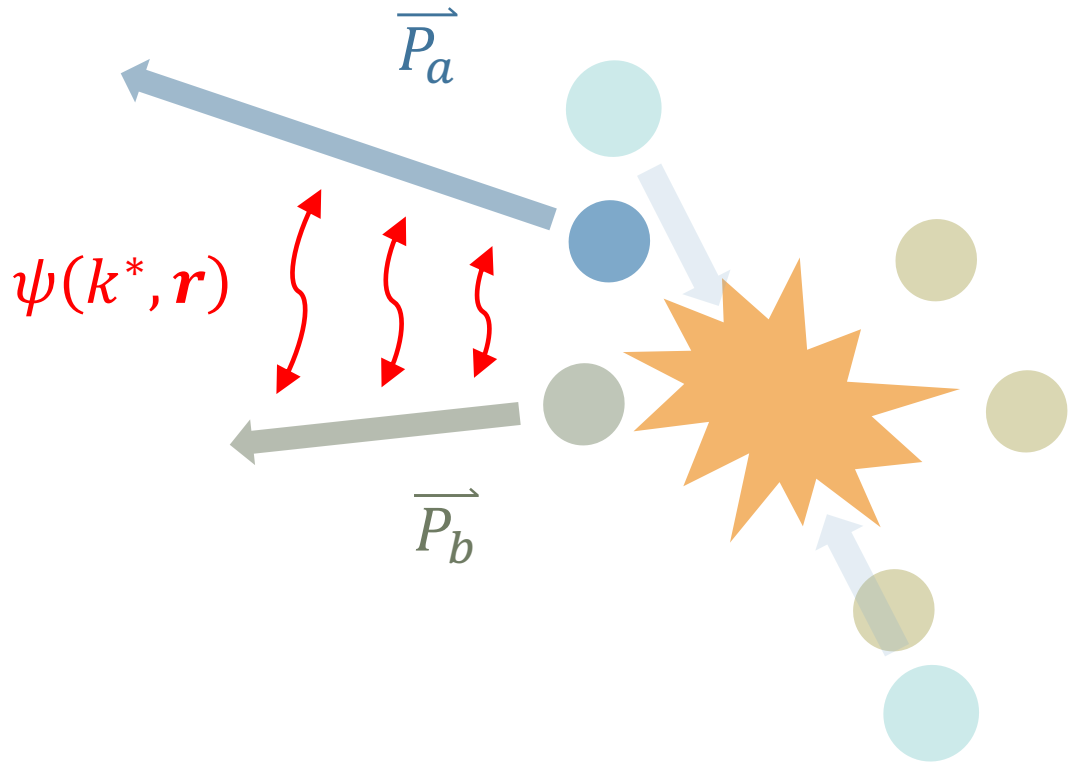




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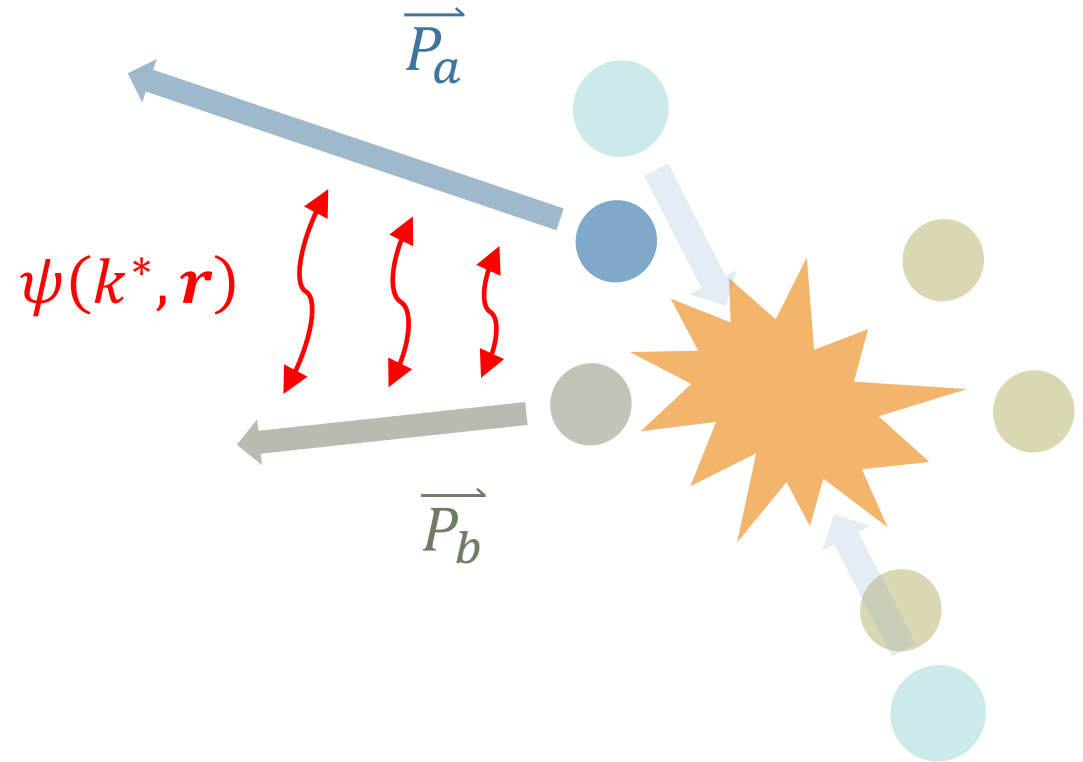
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Two particle correlation function

- Study of correlations in the relative momentum k^* distribution of particle pairs
 - Attractive interaction $\rightarrow C(k^*) > 1$
 - Repulsive interaction $\rightarrow C(k^*) < 1$



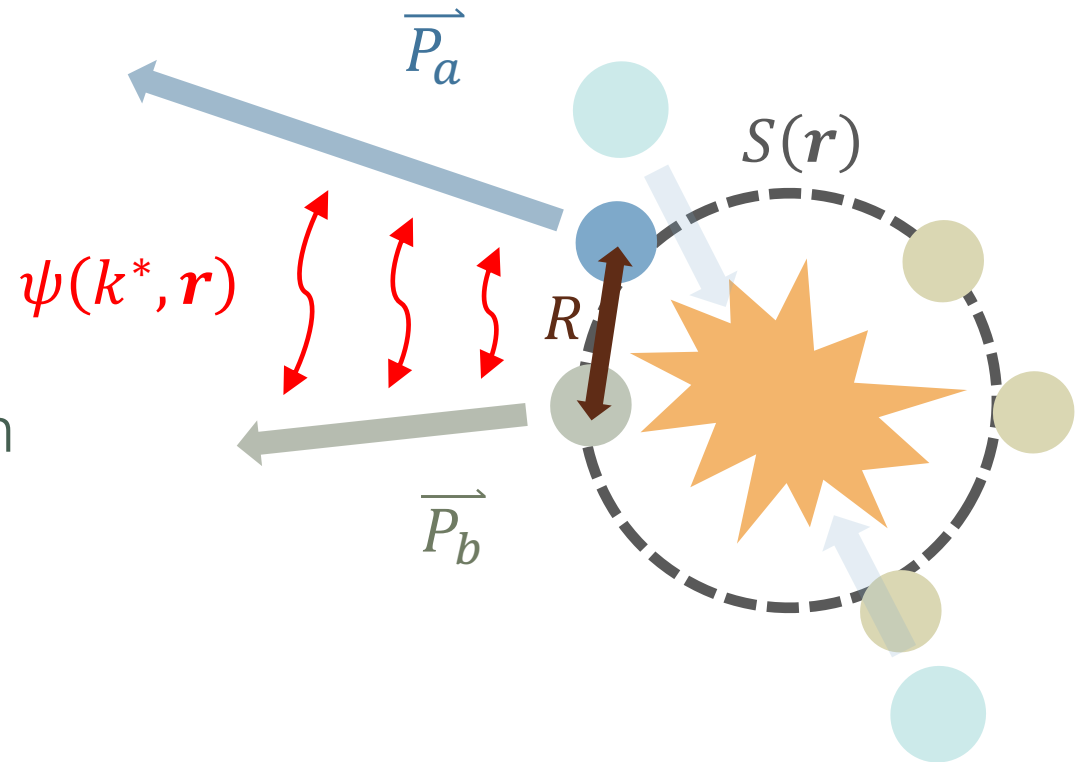
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Two particle correlation function

- Study of correlations in the relative momentum k^* distribution of particle pairs
- Correlation function linked to the source and **two-particle wave** function
 - Correlation Analysis Tool using the Schrödinger Equation

D. Mihaylov et al., Eur. Phys. J. C78 (2018) 394

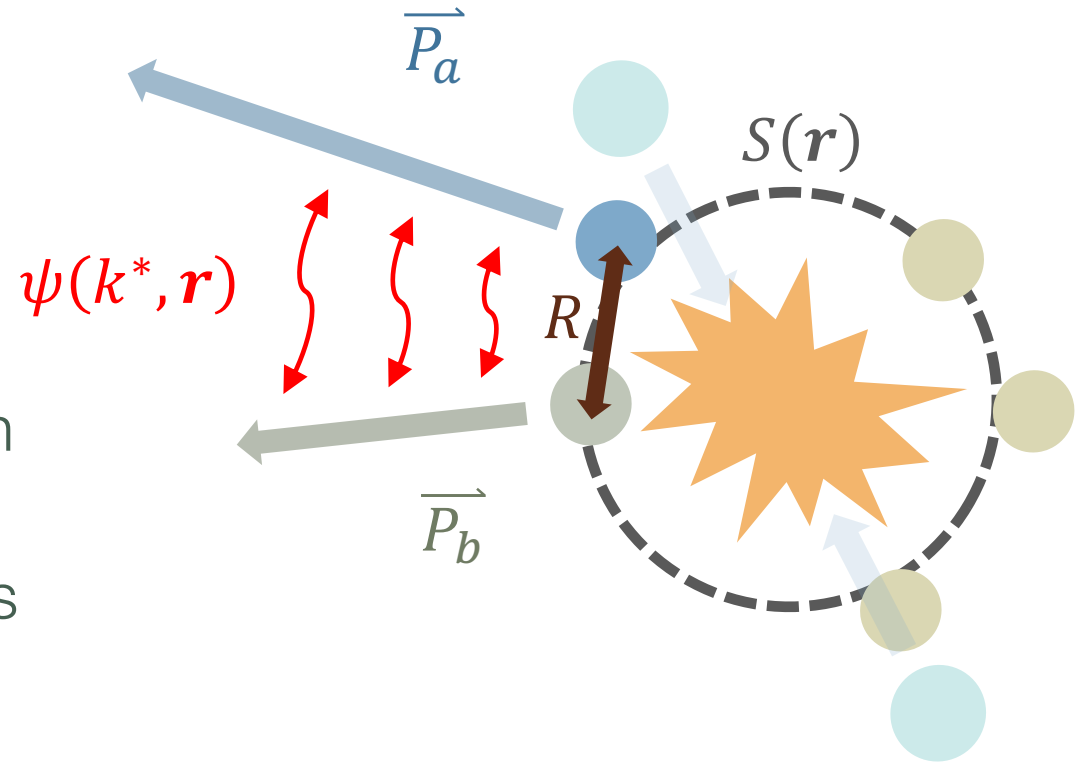


$$C(k^*) = \zeta(k^*) \cdot \frac{N_{same}(k^*)}{N_{mixed}(k^*)} = \int S(\mathbf{r}) |\psi(k^*, \mathbf{r})|^2 d^3r$$

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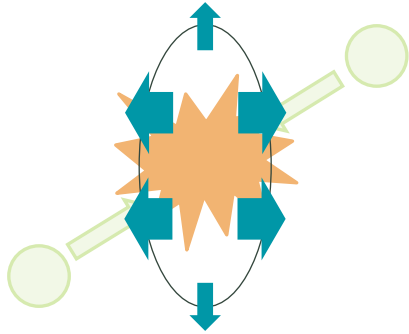
- Study of correlations in the relative momentum k^* distribution of particle pairs
- Correlation function linked to the source and **two-particle wave** function
 - Constraint the emission of particles
 - Study the interaction of selected pairs



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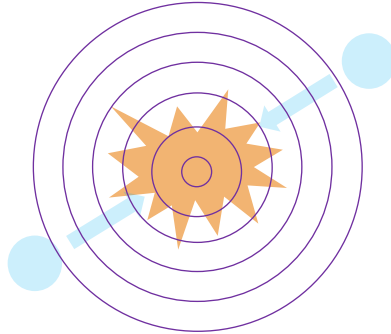
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Collective Effects and Strong Resonances



Anisotropic

+
pressure gradients



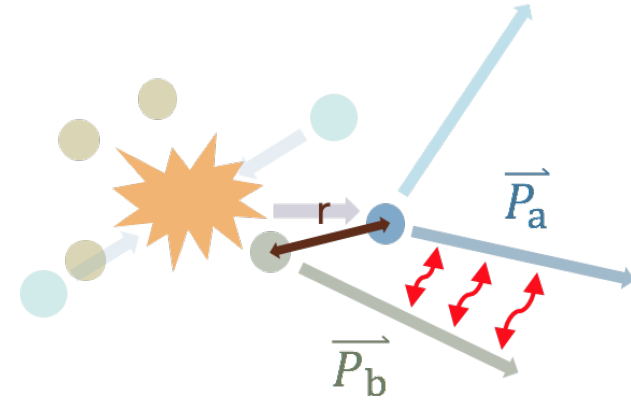
Radial

Different effect on different masses

$$S(r) = G(r, r_{core}(m_T)) = \frac{2\sqrt{\pi}r^2}{r_{core}^3} \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{4r_{core}^2}\right) \otimes \text{Folded}$$

$$E(r, M_{res}, \tau_{res}, p_{res}) = \frac{1}{s} \exp\left(-\frac{r}{s}\right)$$

$$s = \beta\gamma\tau_{res} = \frac{p_{res}}{M_{res}} \tau_{res}$$



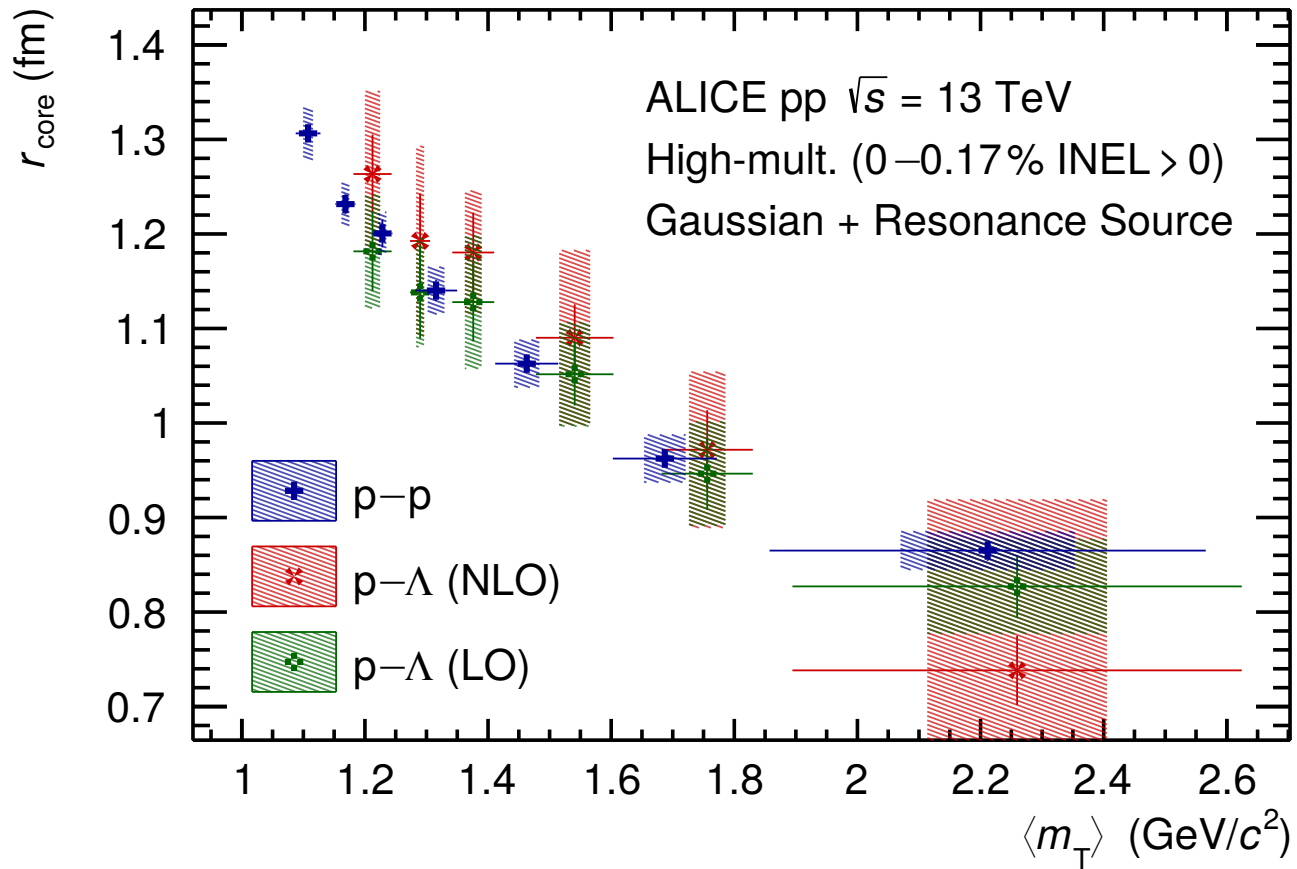
Resonances with $c\tau \sim r_0 \sim 1\text{fm}$ ($\Delta^{++}, N^*, \Sigma^*$)

Particle	Primordial fraction	Resonances $\langle c\tau \rangle$
Proton	33 %	1.6 fm
Lambda	34 %	4.7 fm

U. Wiedemann U. Heinz (PRC56 R610, 1997)

A Gaussian source with resonances

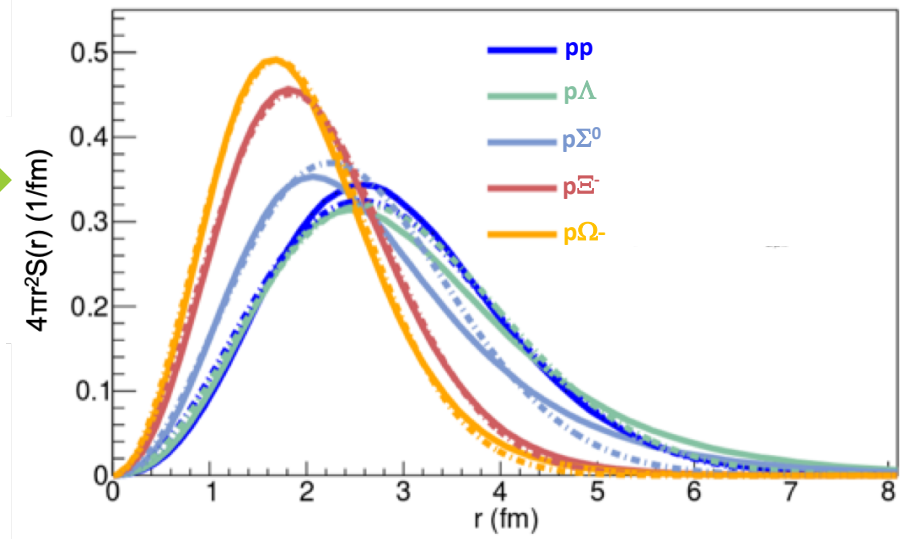
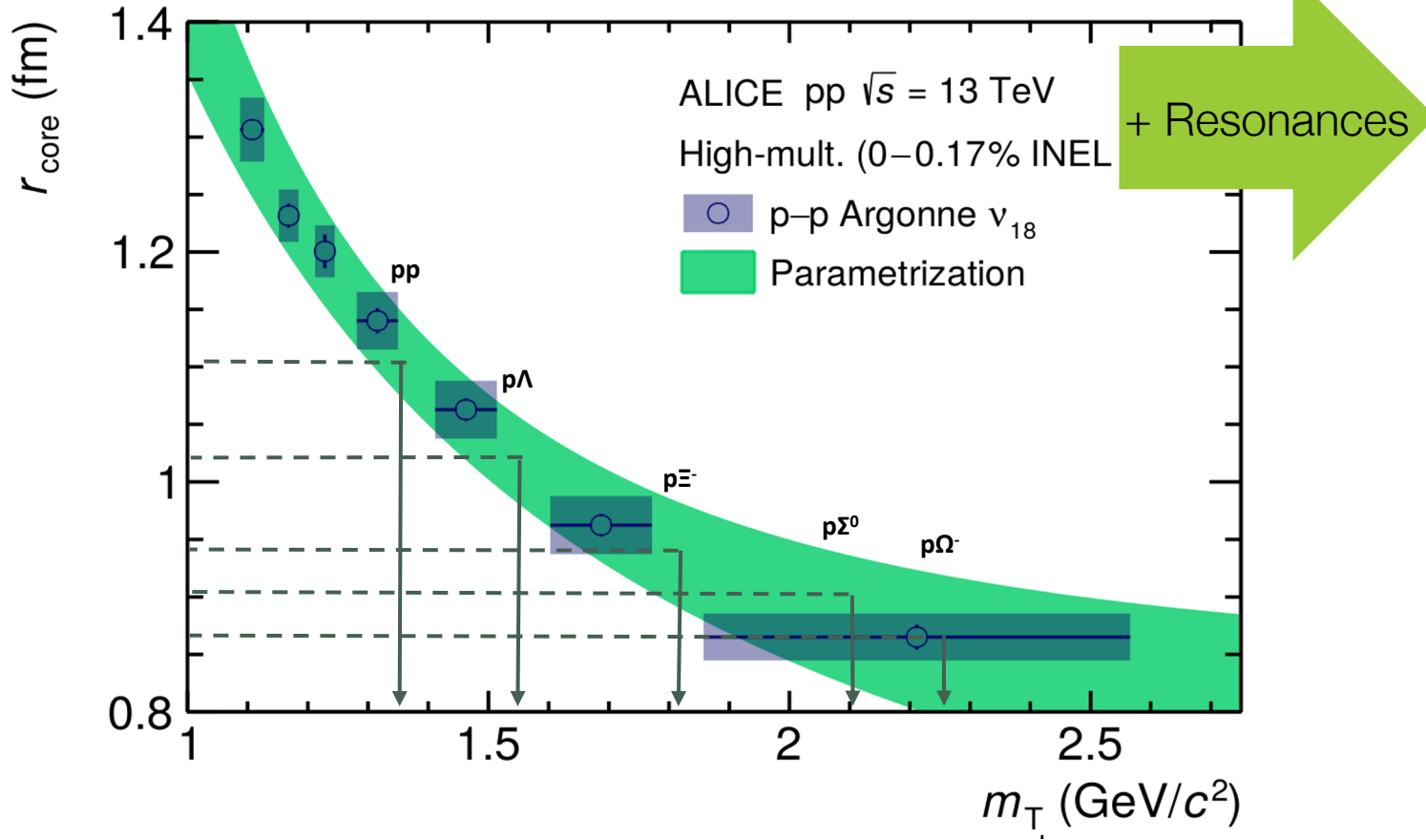
ALICE Collaboration, Physics Lett. B, 811, 135849



- Radii measured from the p-p and p-Λ correlation function
 - Input: Production fraction/life-times (SHM) and angular distributions (EPOS)
- Observation of a common m_T scaling of the core radius
 - Evidence of a universal emission source of baryons

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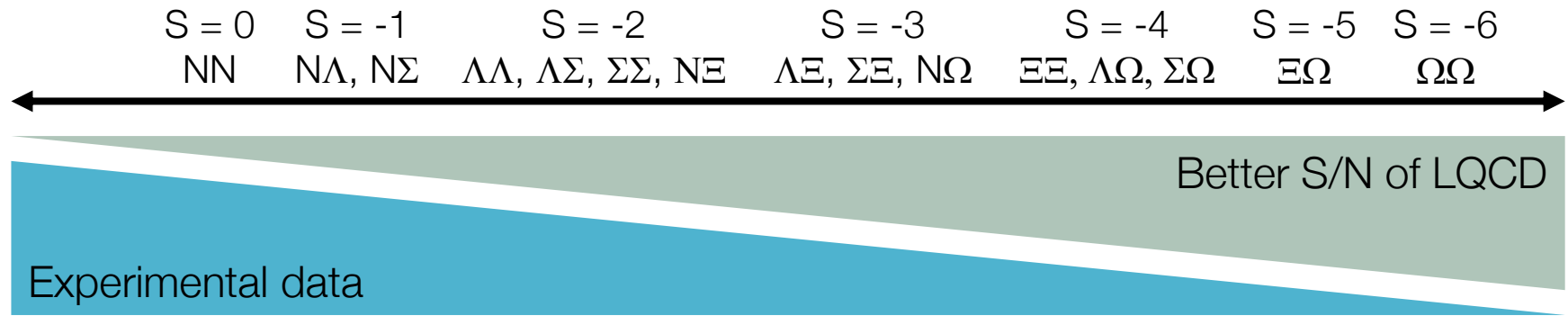
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Pair	r_{Core} [fm]	r_{Eff} [fm]
p-p	1.1	1.2
p- Λ	1.0	1.3
p- Σ^0	0.87	1.02
p- Ξ^-	0.93	1.02
p- Ω^-	0.86	0.95



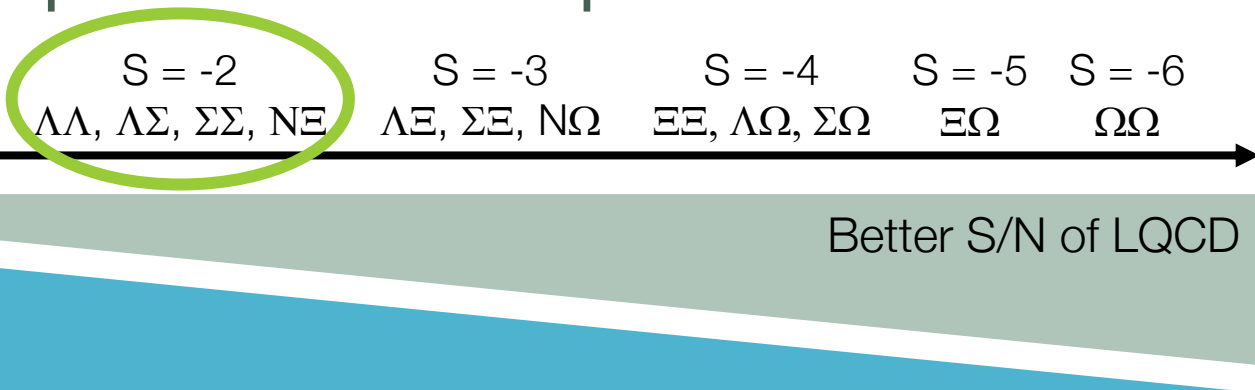
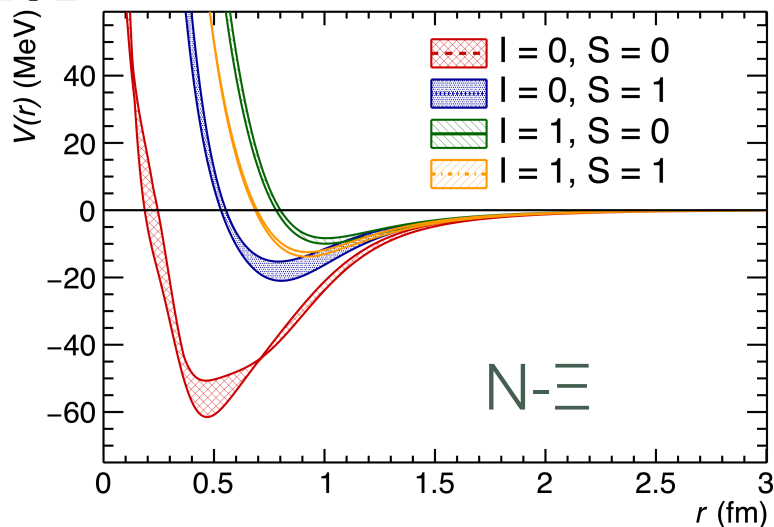
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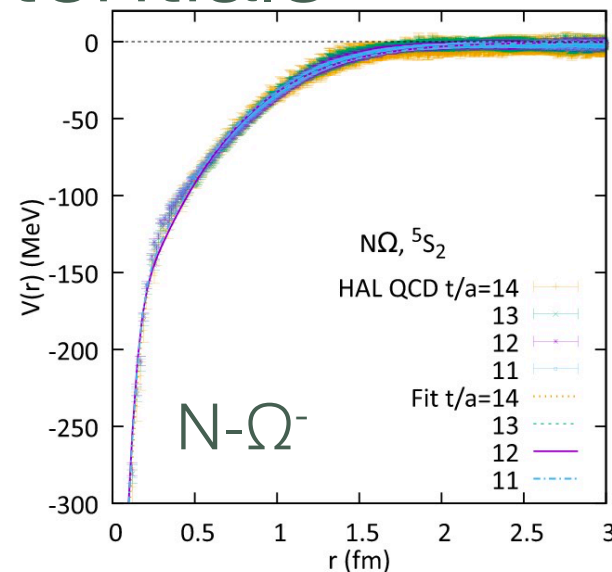
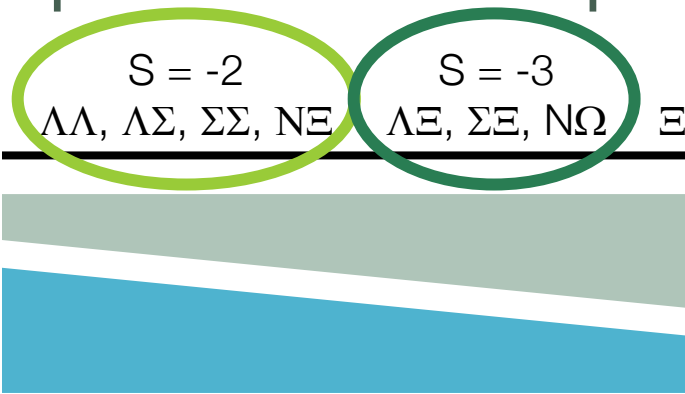
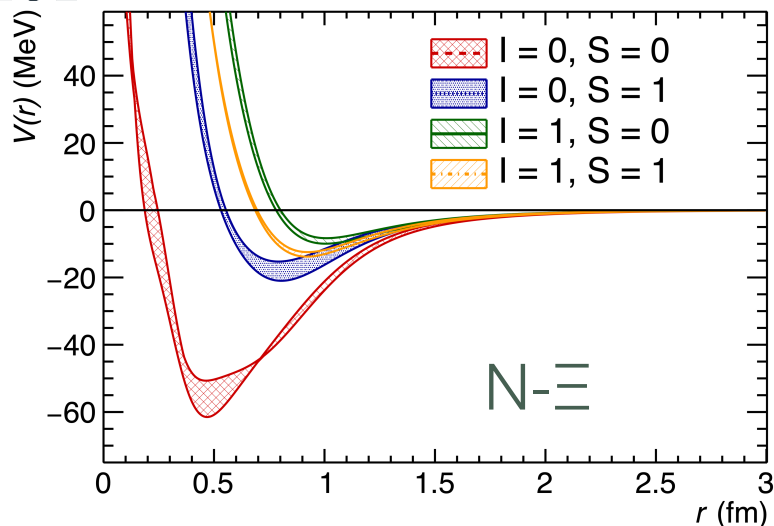
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- Interaction of $p-\Xi^-$ pairs in four Isospin ($l = 0, 1$) and Spin ($S=0, 1$) states
- Interaction of $p-\Omega^-$ pairs in ${}^3S_1 + {}^5S_2$ ($S=1, 2$) states
 - Inelastic channels (e.g. $p\Omega^- \rightarrow \Lambda\Xi^-$) in 3S_1 not yet calculated on the lattice
 - Attraction in 5S_2 results in a bound state (B.E. = 1.54 MeV)

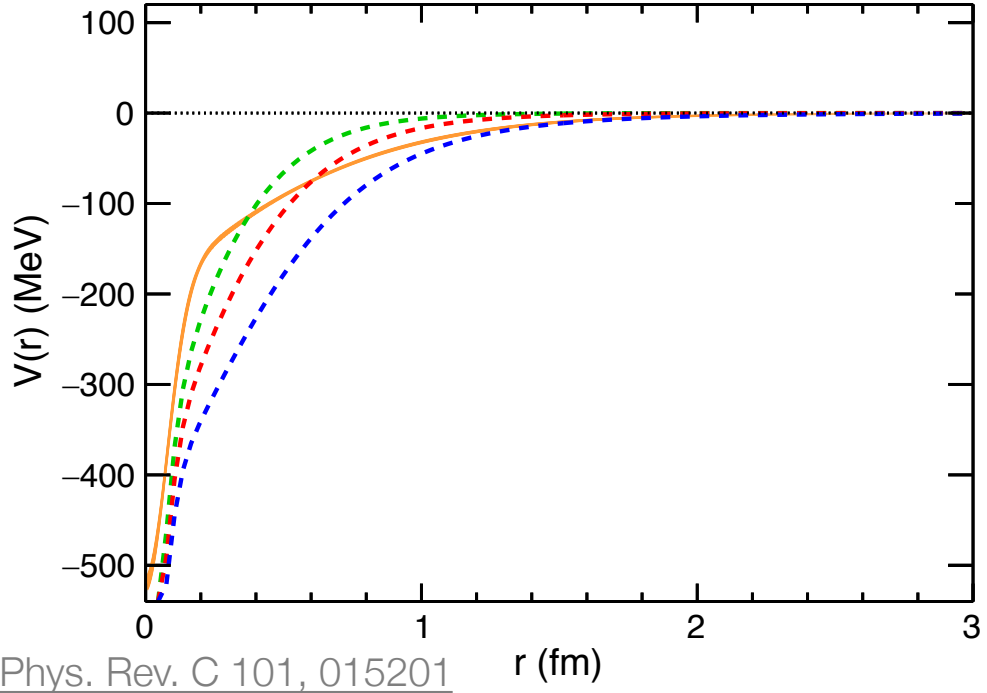
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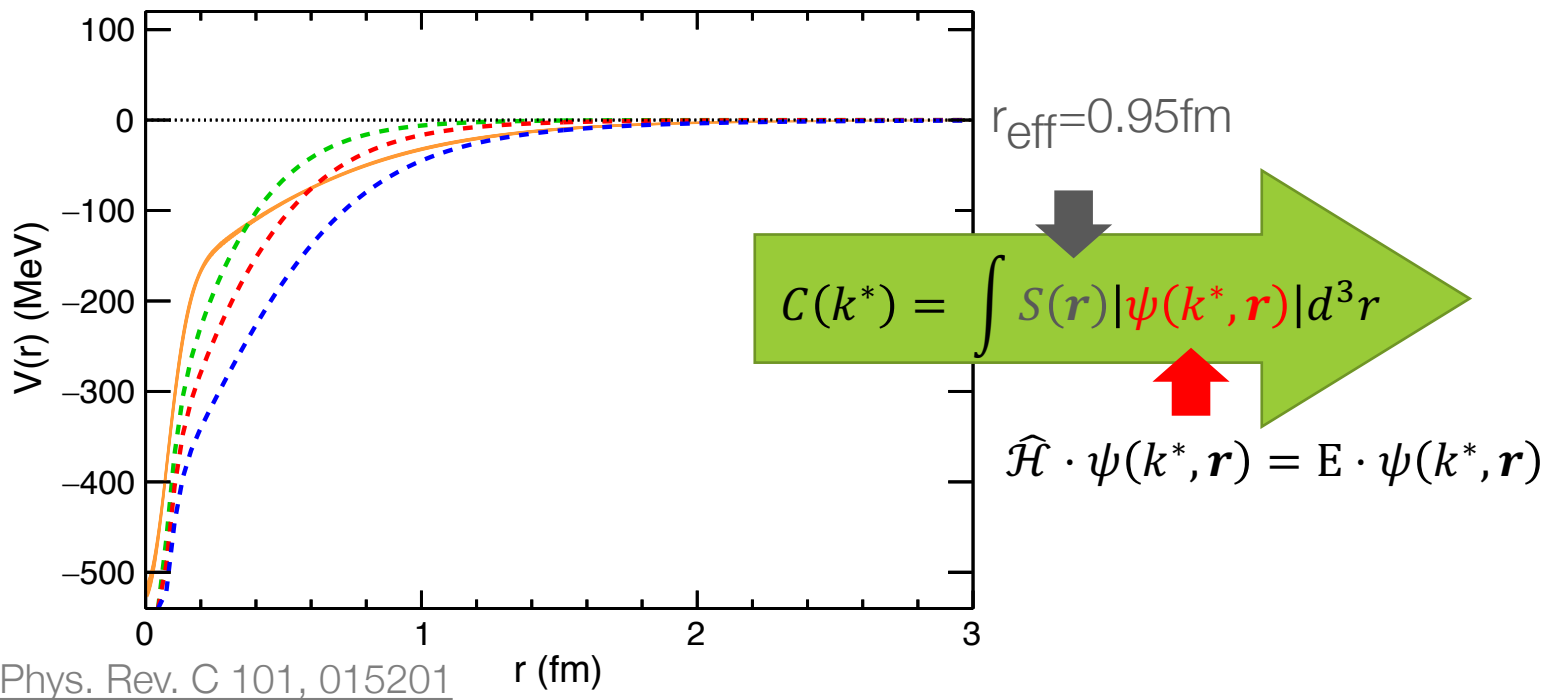
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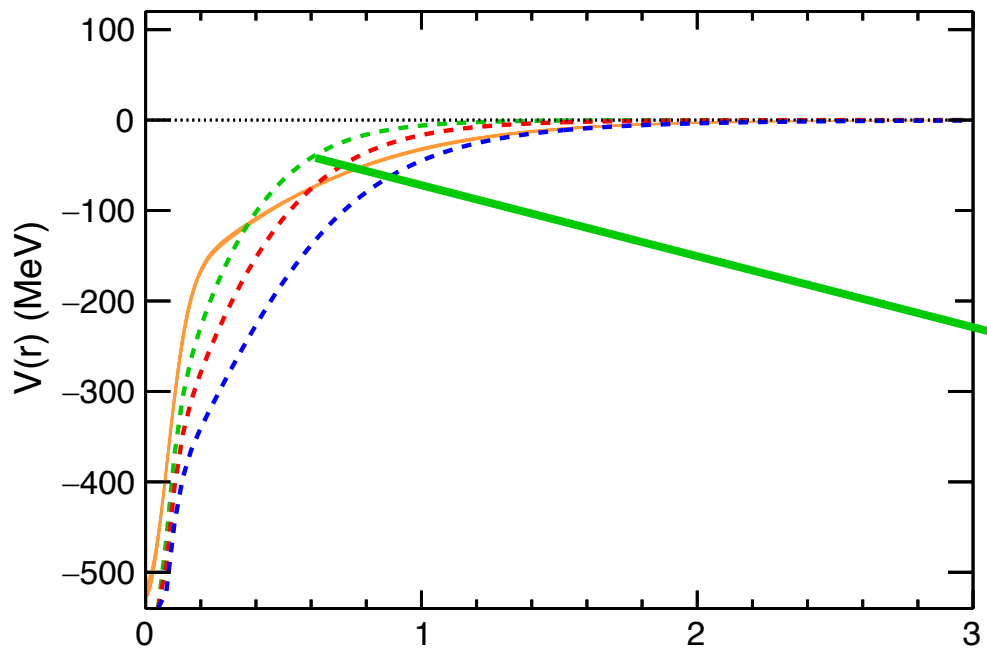
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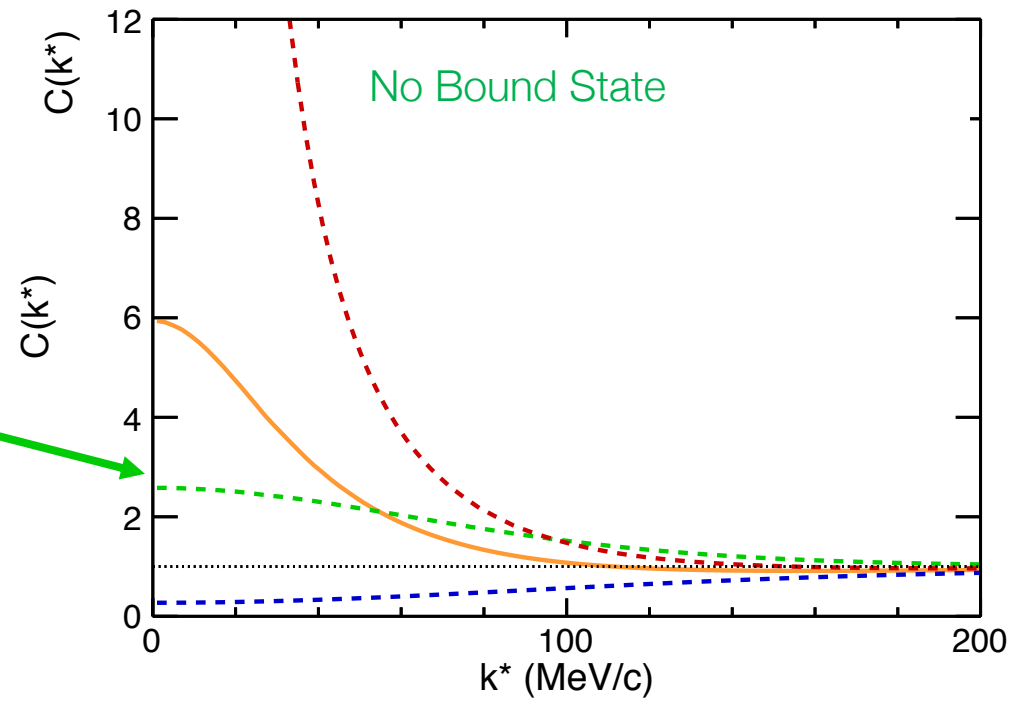


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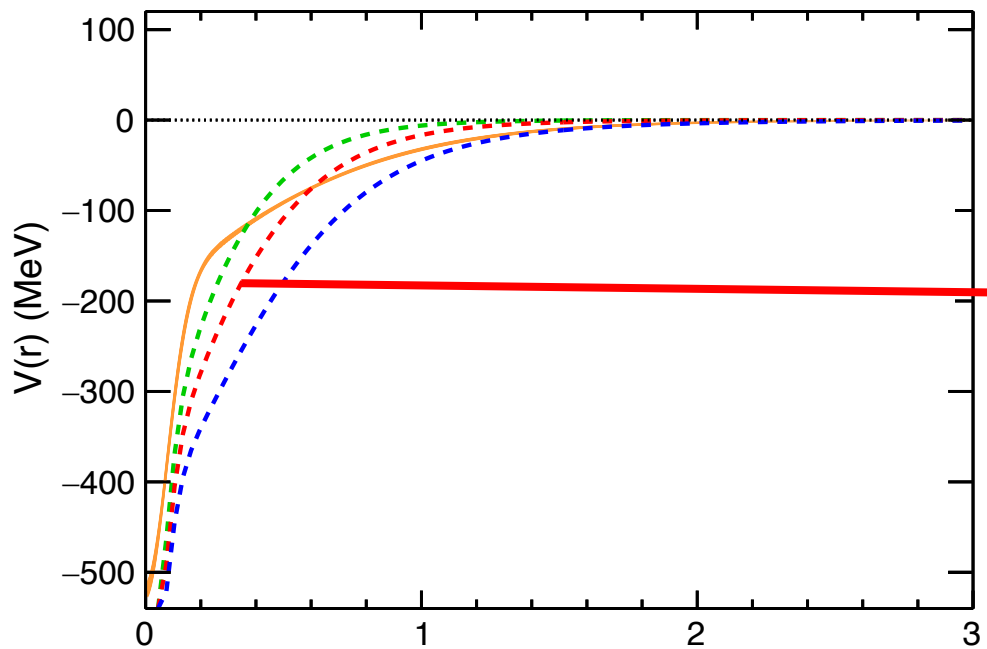
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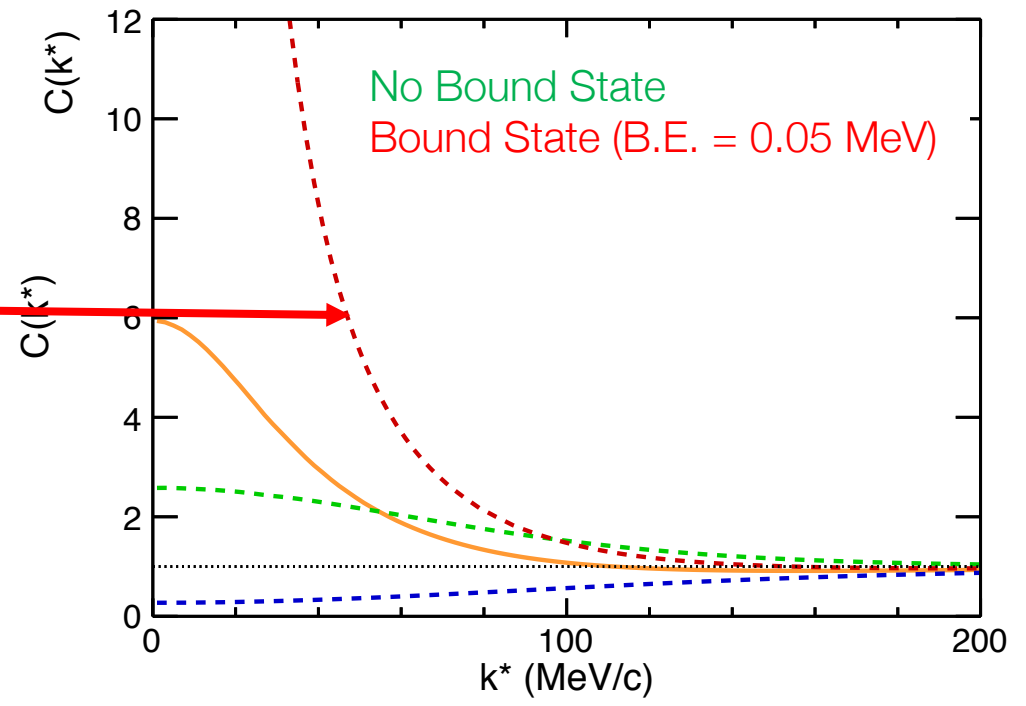


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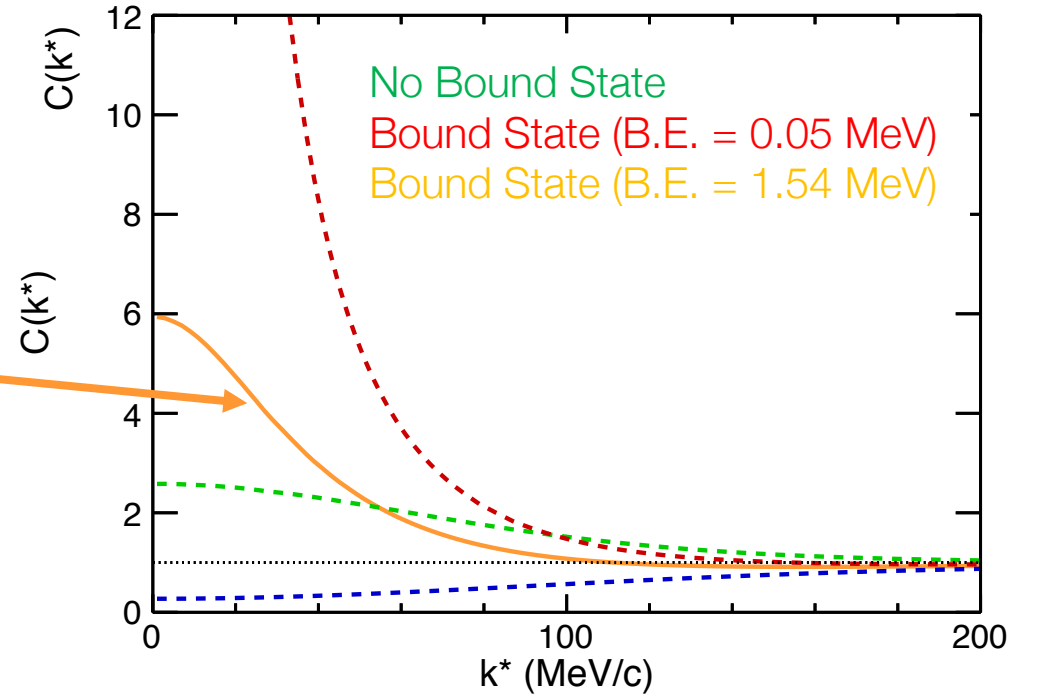
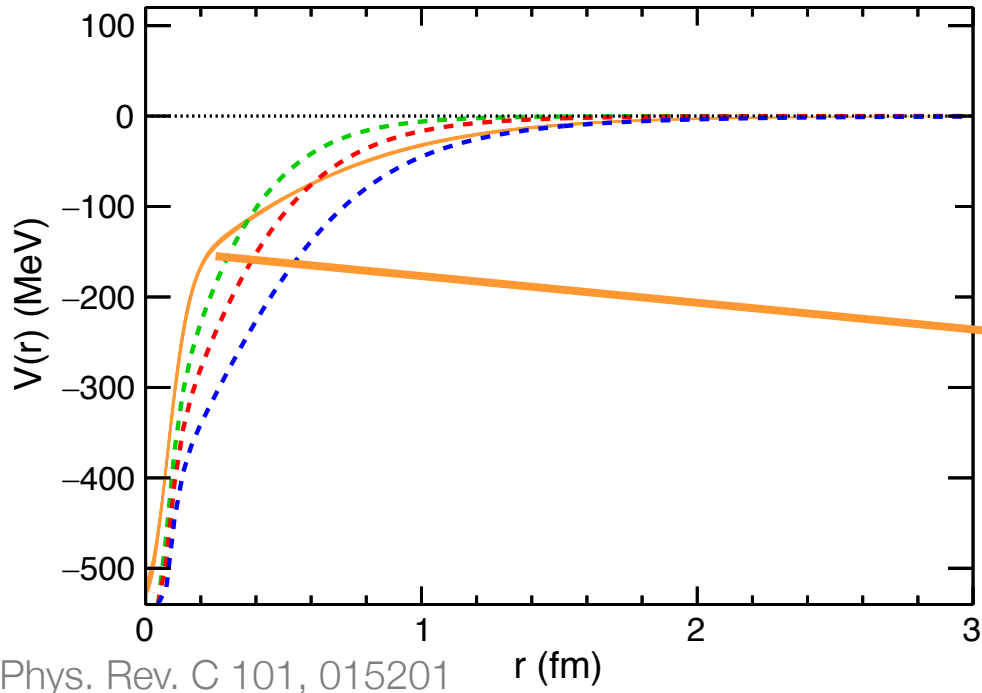


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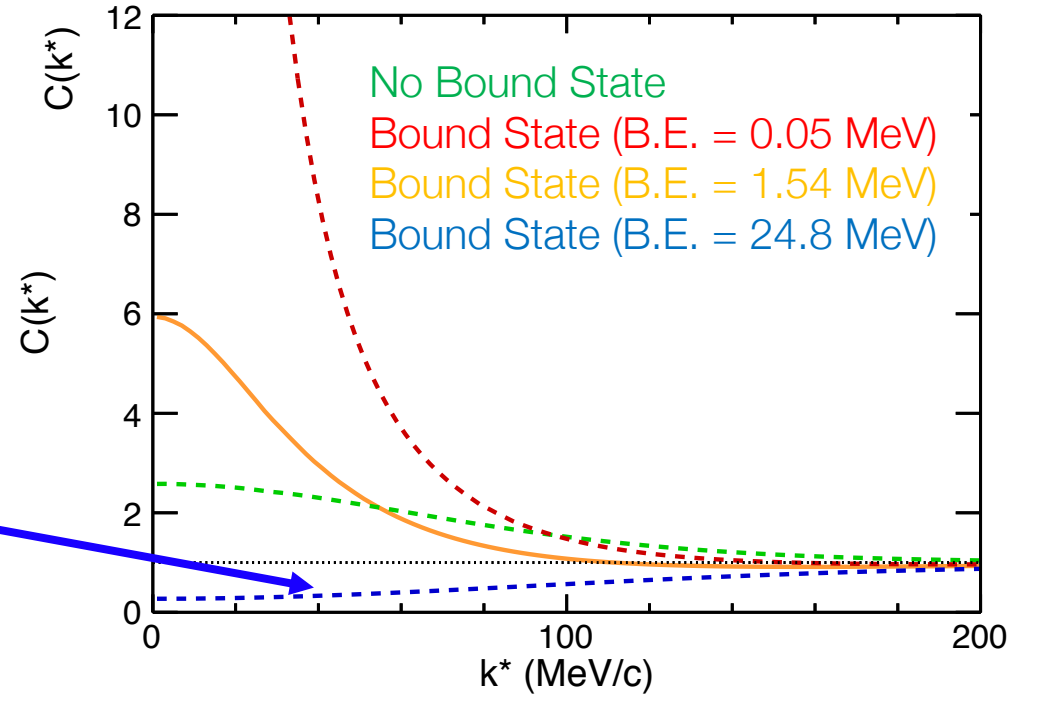
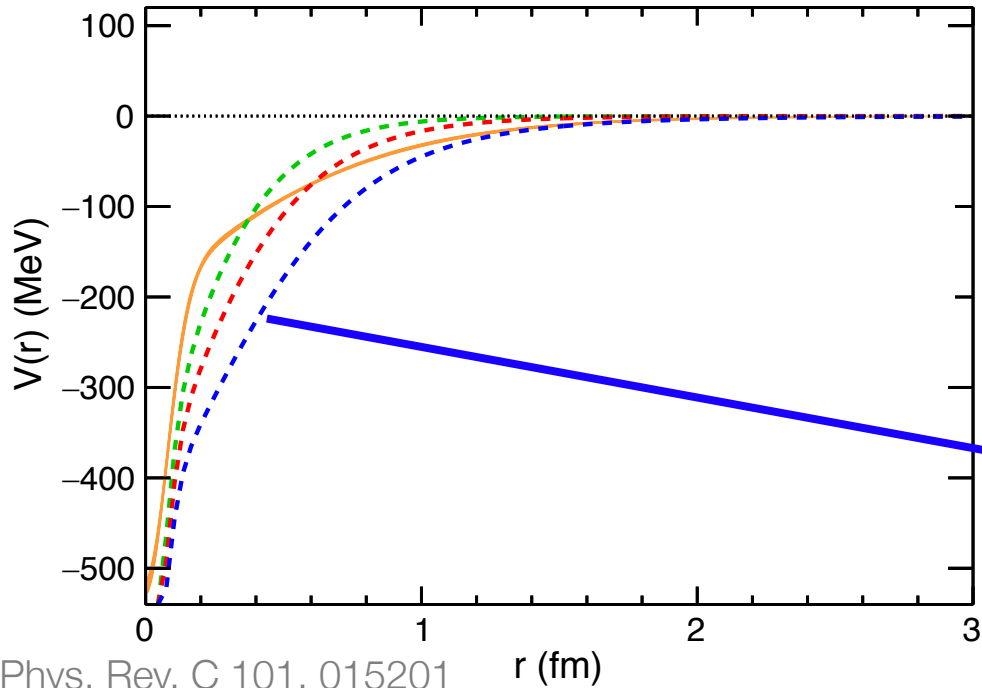


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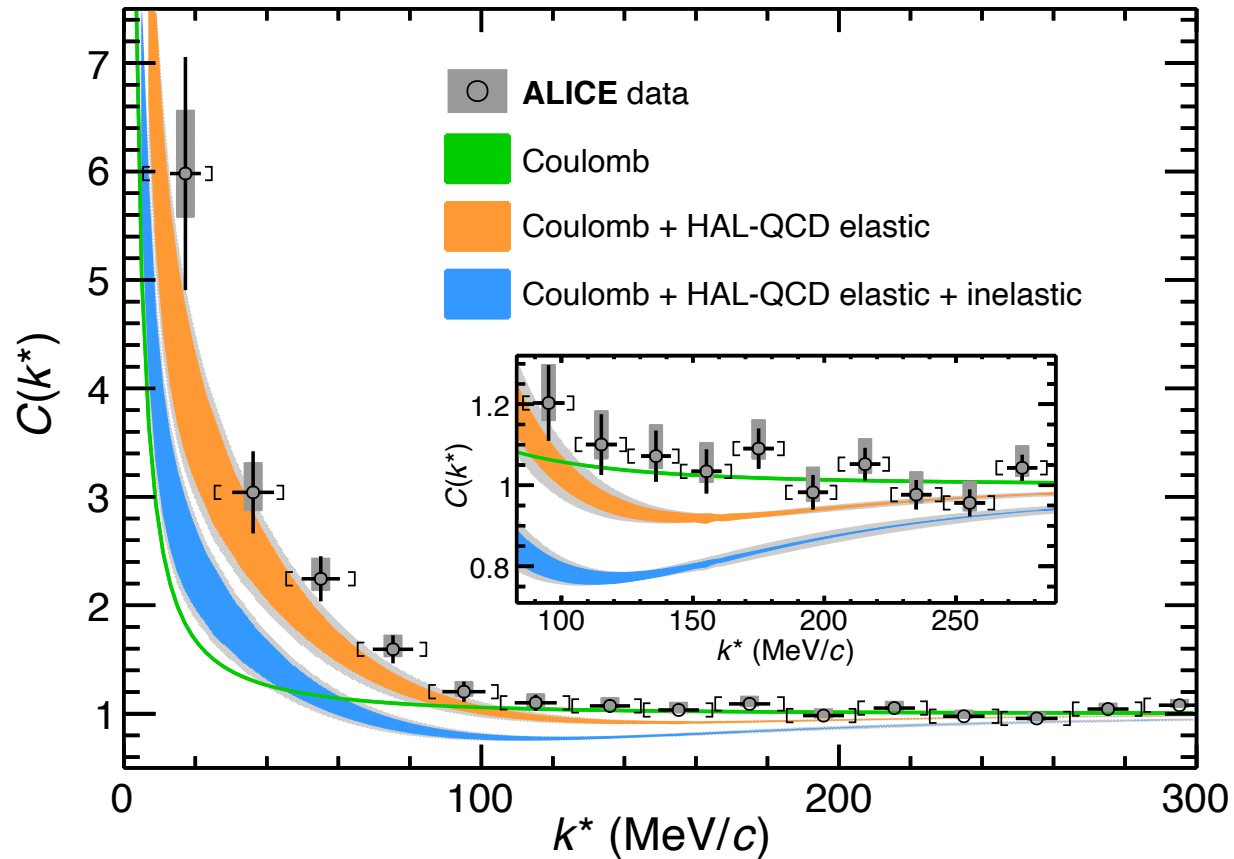


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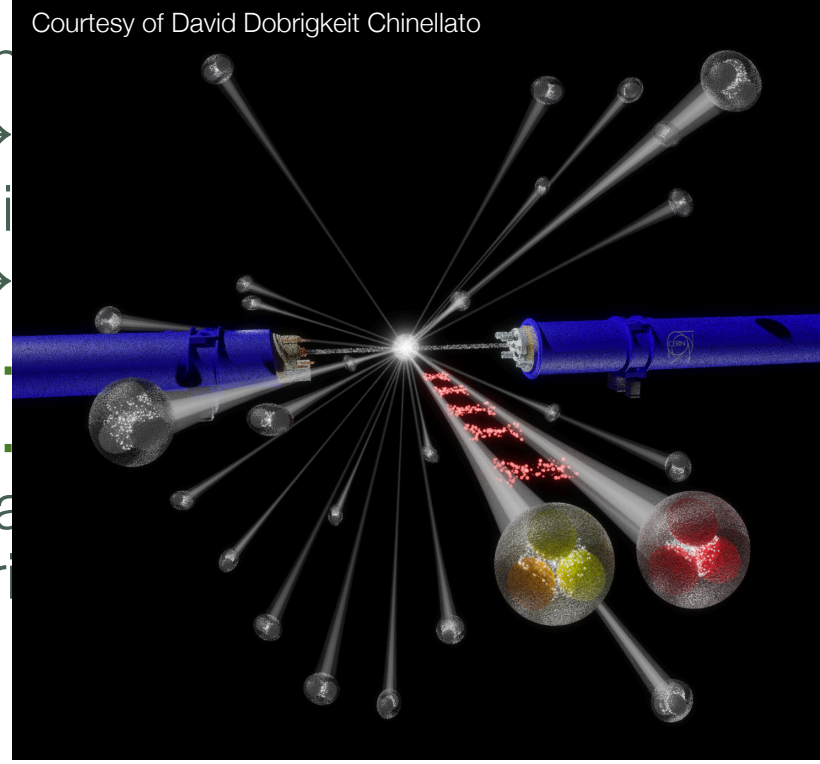
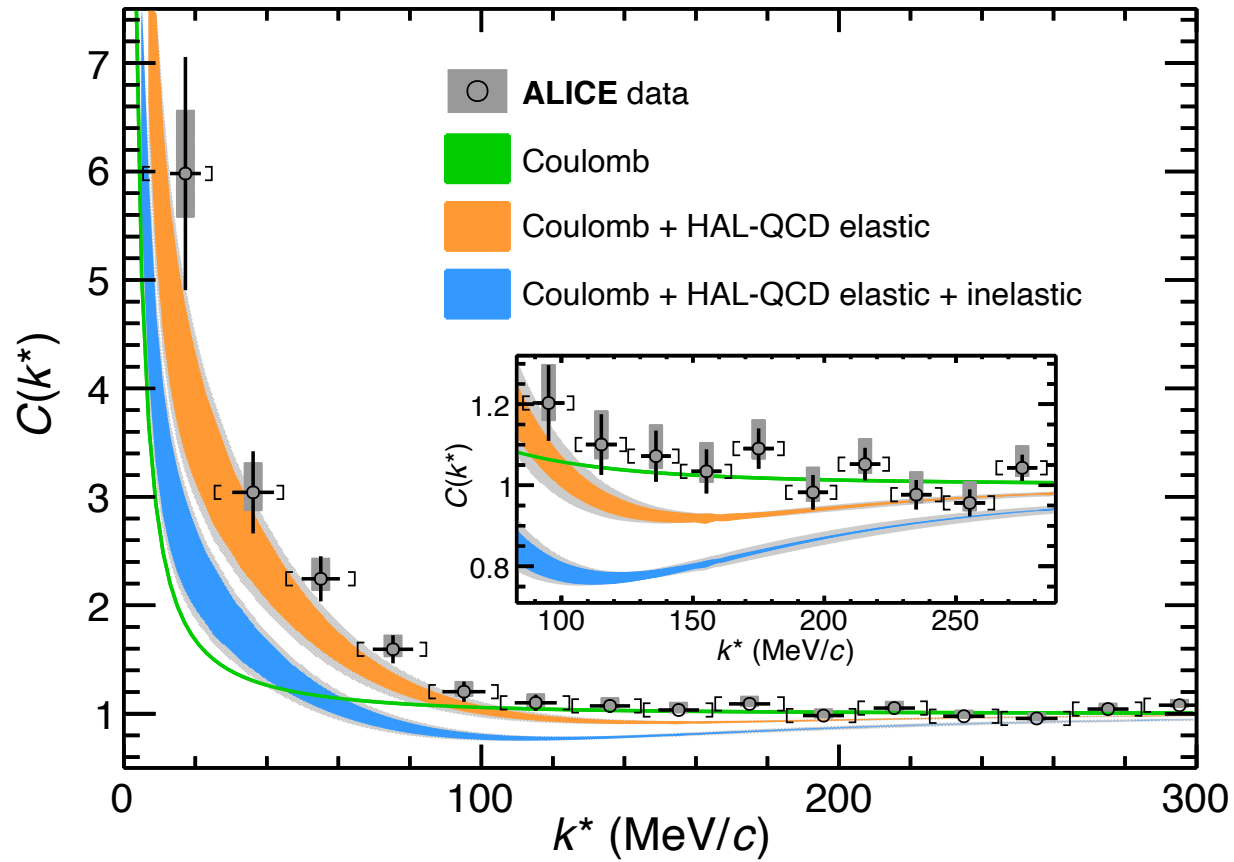
- Prediction sensitive to changes of the B.E.
- Femtoscopy in small systems sensitive to small system sensitive to minor differences in the interaction potentials

p - Ω^- correlation function in pp at 13 TeV



- Enhancement above Coulomb
→ Observation of the strong interaction
- Missing potential of the 3S_1 channel
→ Test of two cases:
 1. **Total Absorption by inel. channels**
 2. **Neglecting inel. channels**
- Data more precise than the first principle calculations
 - So far, no indication for a bound state
- Unveiling the strong interaction among stable and unstable hadrons at the LHC – accepted by Nature

$p-\Omega^-$ correlation function in pp at 13 TeV



- Entanglement
- Interaction channel
- Multi-particle
- Channels
- 1. ...
- 2. ...
- Data processing
- ... and
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Excursion to neutron stars



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Neutron Stars

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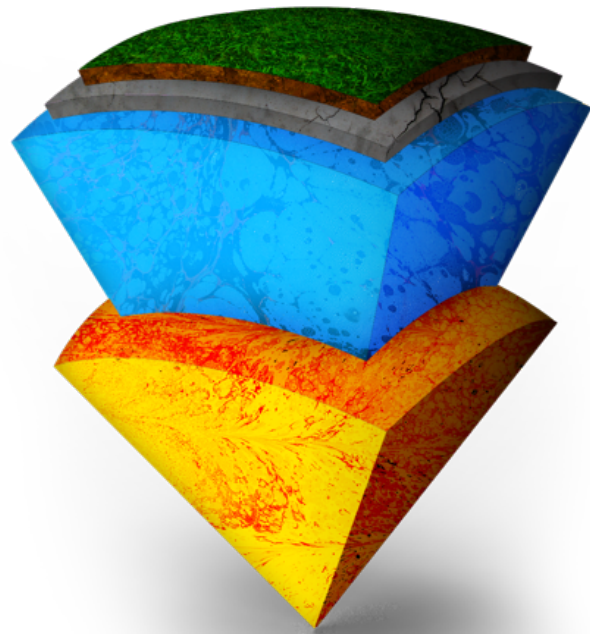
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Outer Crust

Ions, electron Gas,
Neutrons

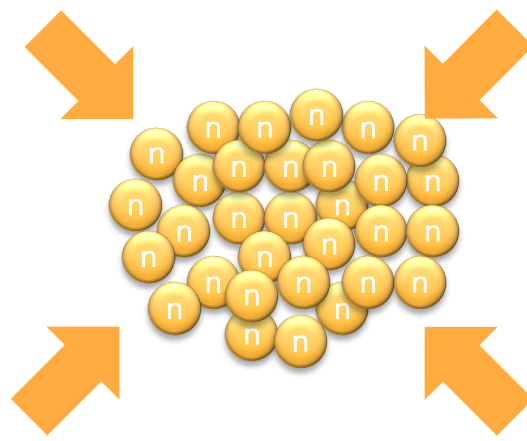
Inner Core

Neutrons?
Protons?
Hyperons?
Quark Matter?



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- Neutron Stars: very dense, compact objects





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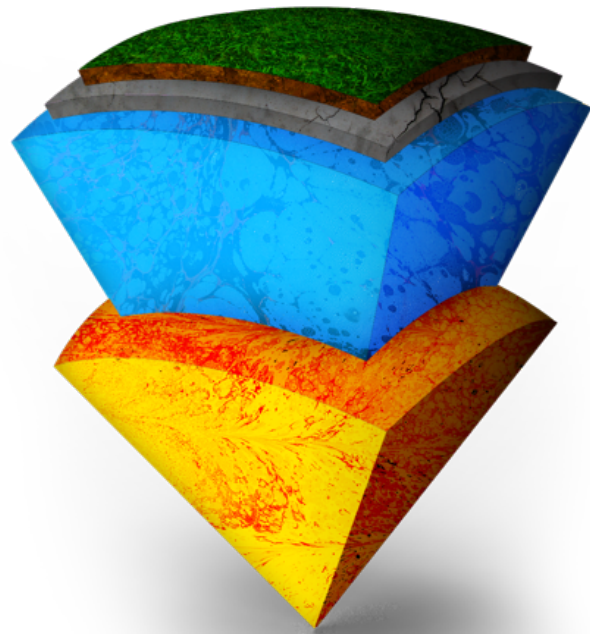
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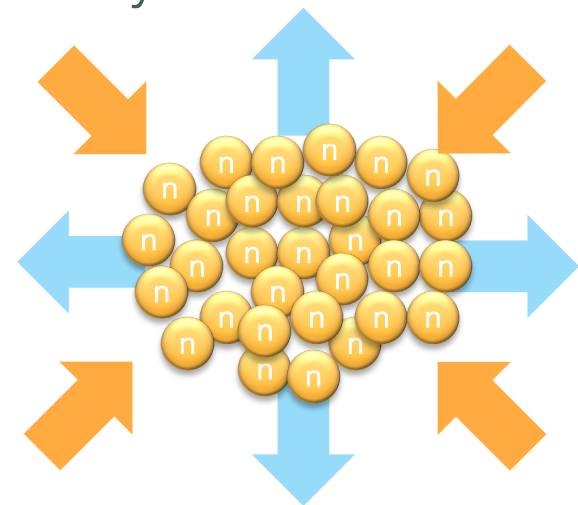
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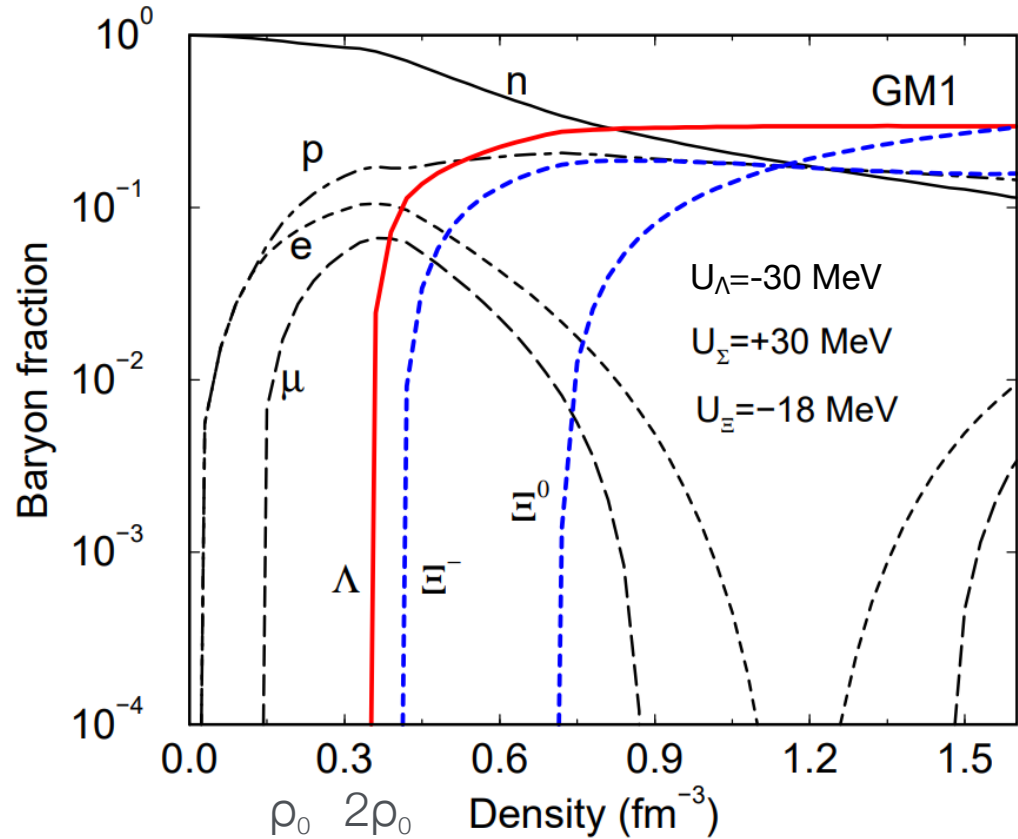


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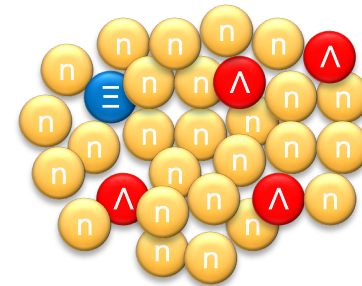
- **Neutron Stars:** very dense, compact objects
- What is the EoS?
 - What are the constituents to consider?
 - How do they interact?



Hyperons in Neutron Stars?

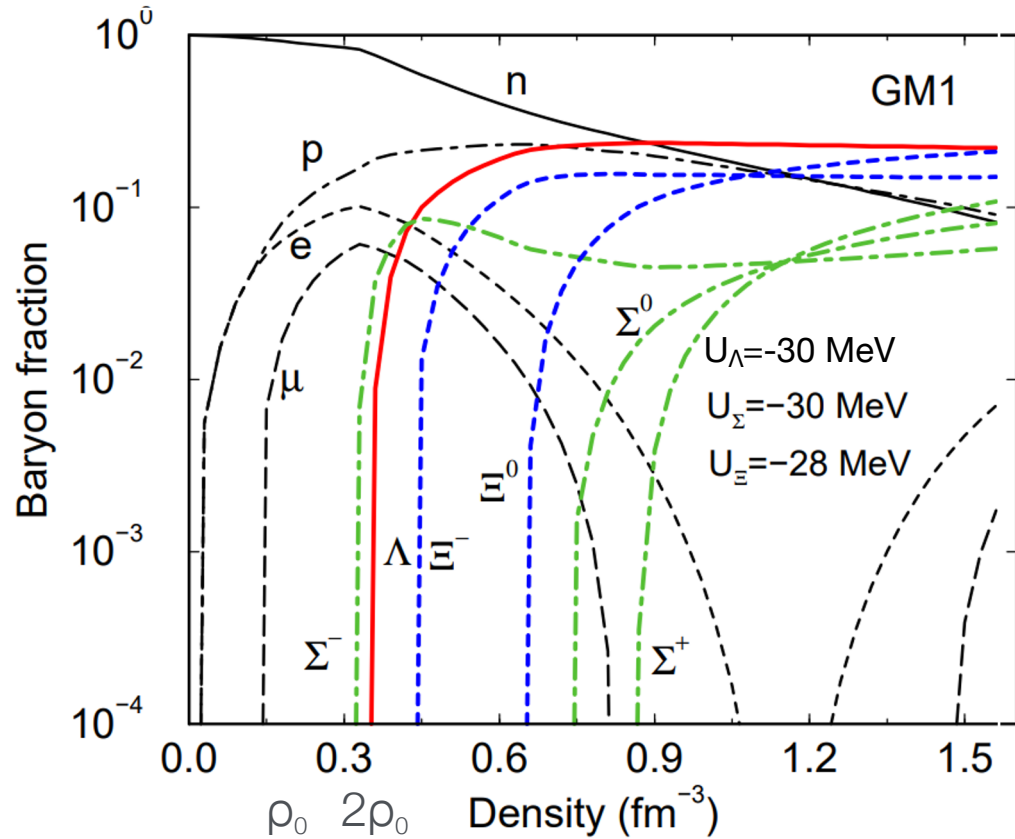


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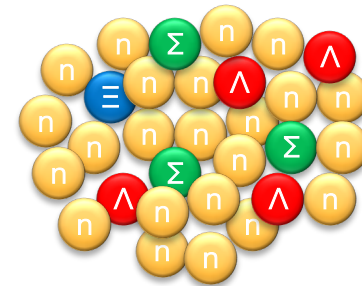
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Hyperons in Neutron Stars?



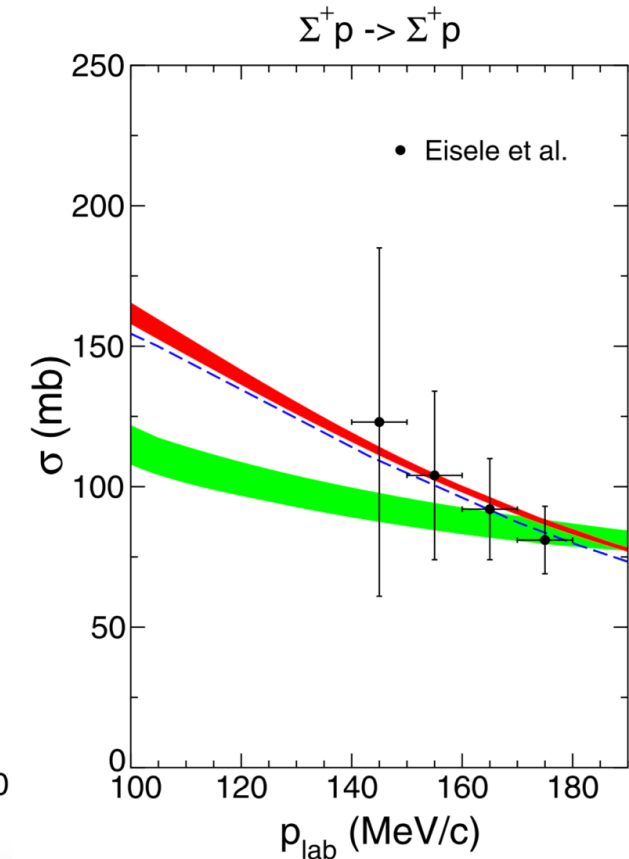
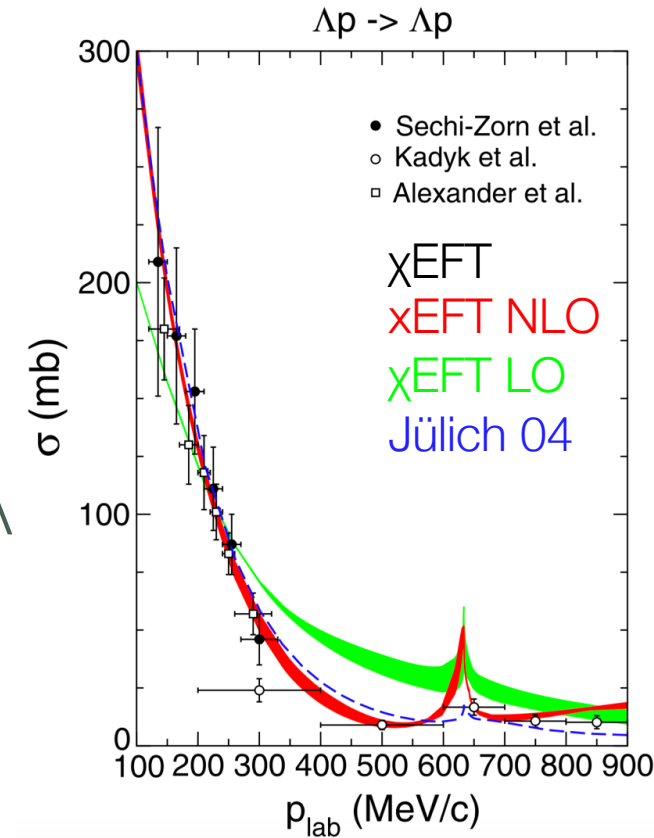
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- Exact composition strongly depends on constituent interactions and couplings!



$|S| = 1$ sector – Λ and Σ baryons

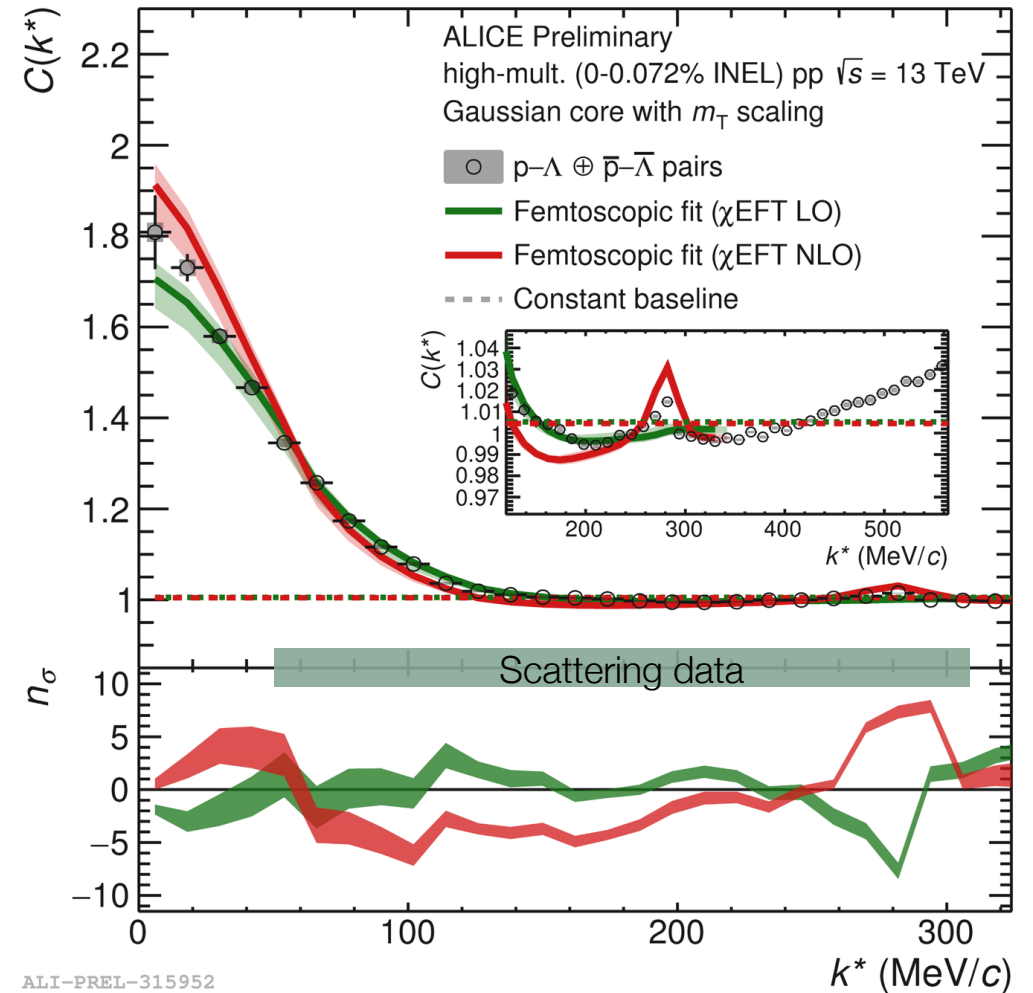
- Scarce experimental data
 - No constraints at lab momenta below 100 MeV/c
- Theoretical predictions for cusp: Coupling of Σ -N - Λ -N
 - Coupling introduces a repulsive short-range component in the p - Λ interaction
 - Not experimentally confirmed so far



J. Haidenbauer et al., Nucl. Phys. A 915 (2013) 24.

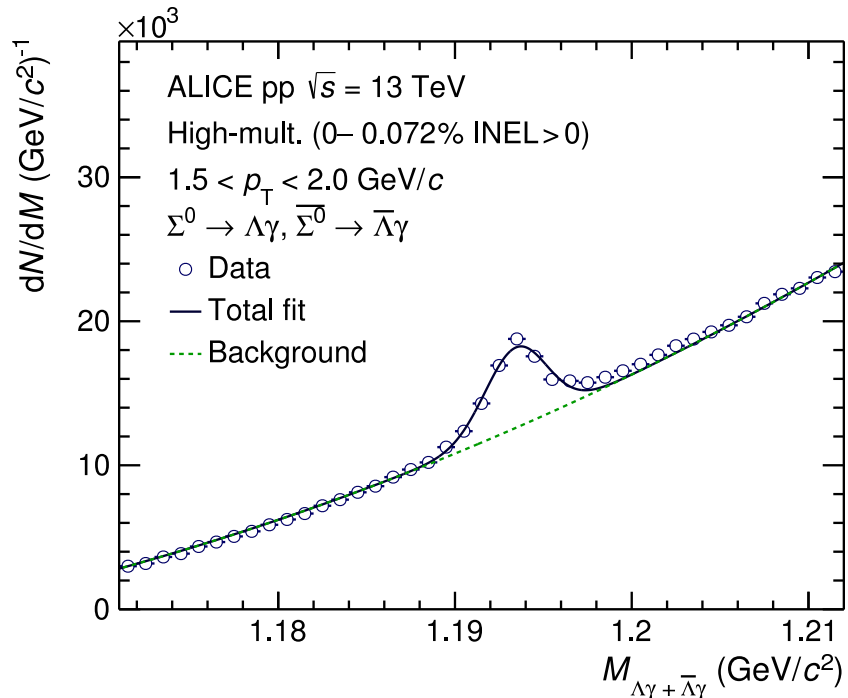
Measurement of the p - Λ interaction

- Significant extension of the kinematic range
- Clear experimental evidence for the cusp of $N\Lambda \leftrightarrow N\Sigma^0$ coupling
- Discrimination power between calculations at LO and NLO
 - Updated predictions \rightarrow Agreement improves significantly for NLO
 - In the future: Use the data to fine tune theory
- Paper currently in collaboration review

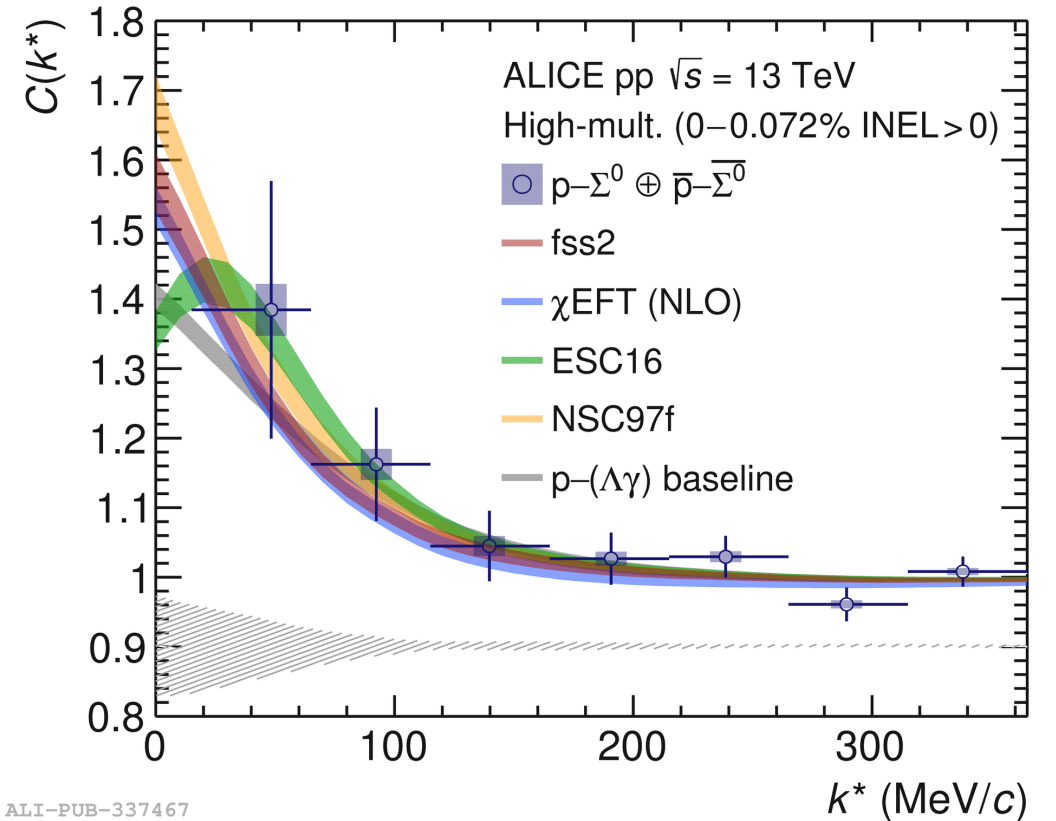


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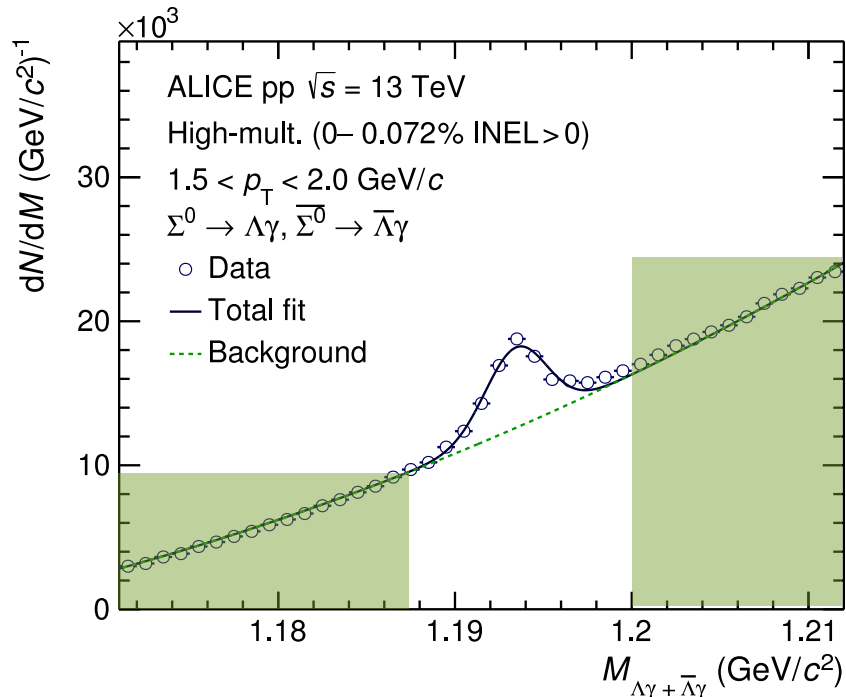


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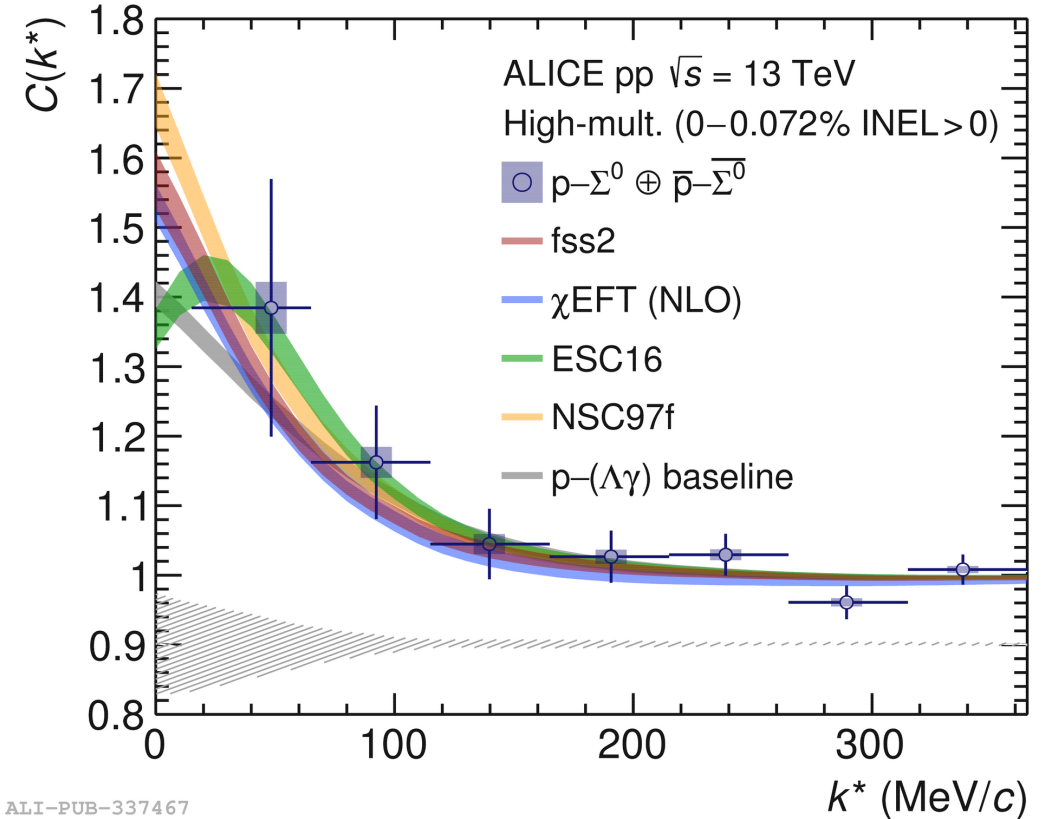
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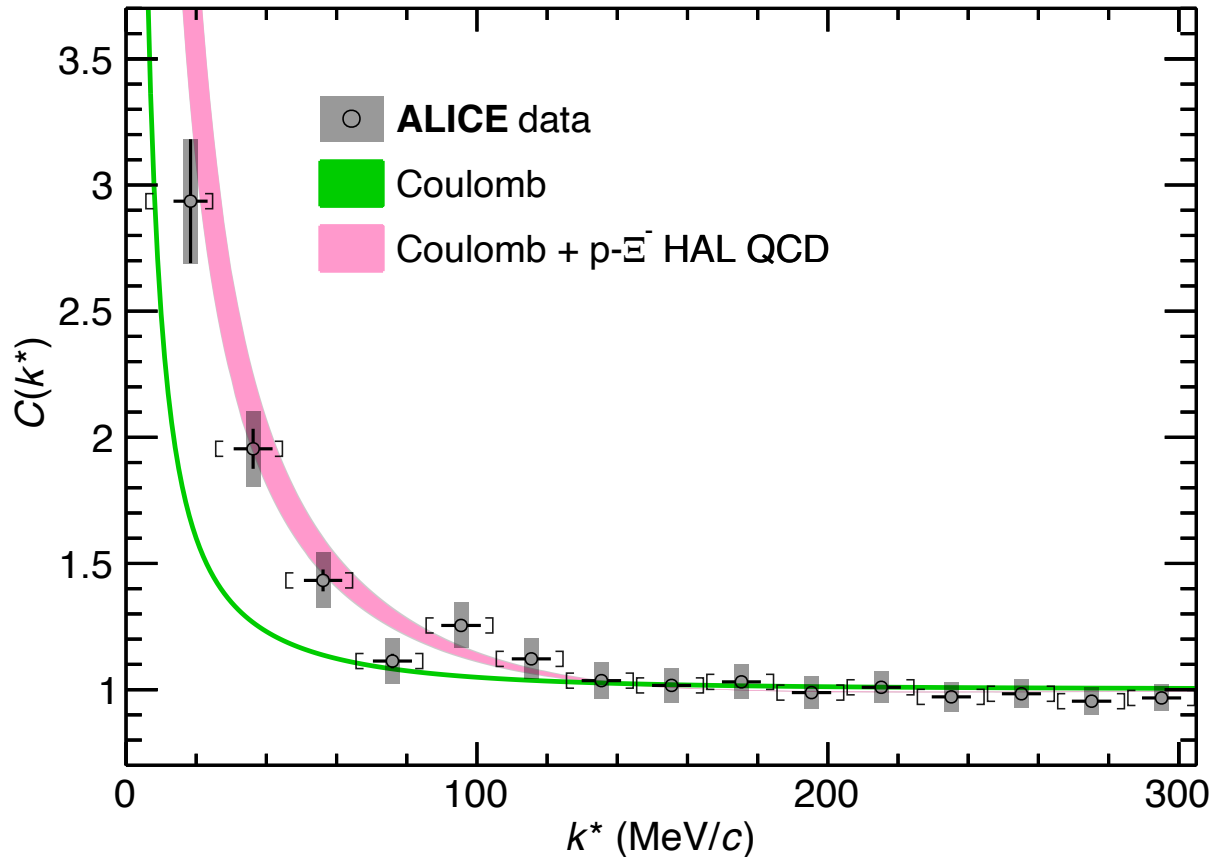
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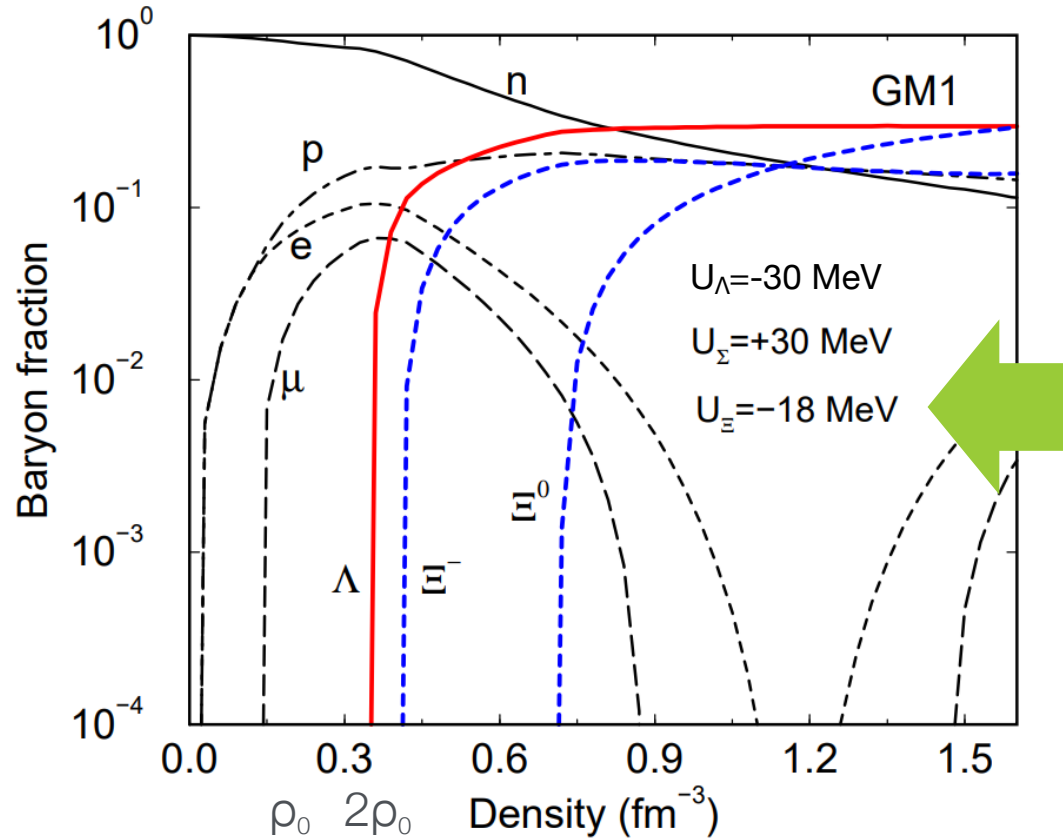
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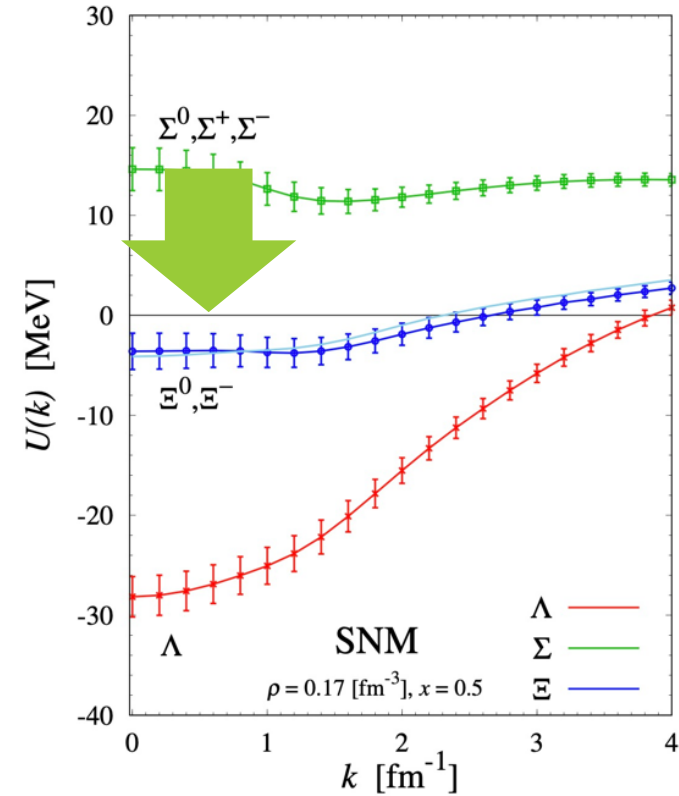


- Enhancement above Coulomb
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- Measurement in different collision system retains excellent agreement with lattice predictions (HAL-QCD)
- Continuation of the study in the p-Pb system [Phys. Rev. Lett. 123, 112002](#)
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Single particle potentials from lattice QCD



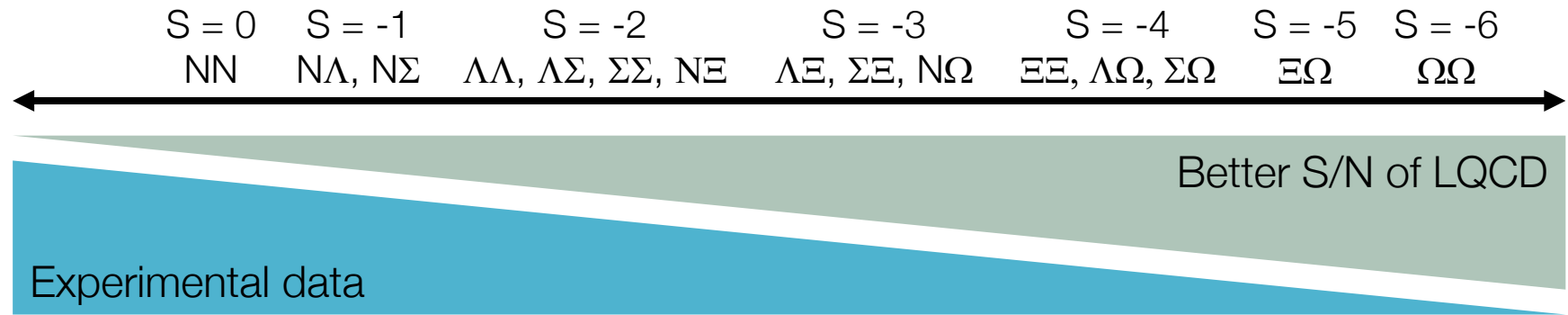
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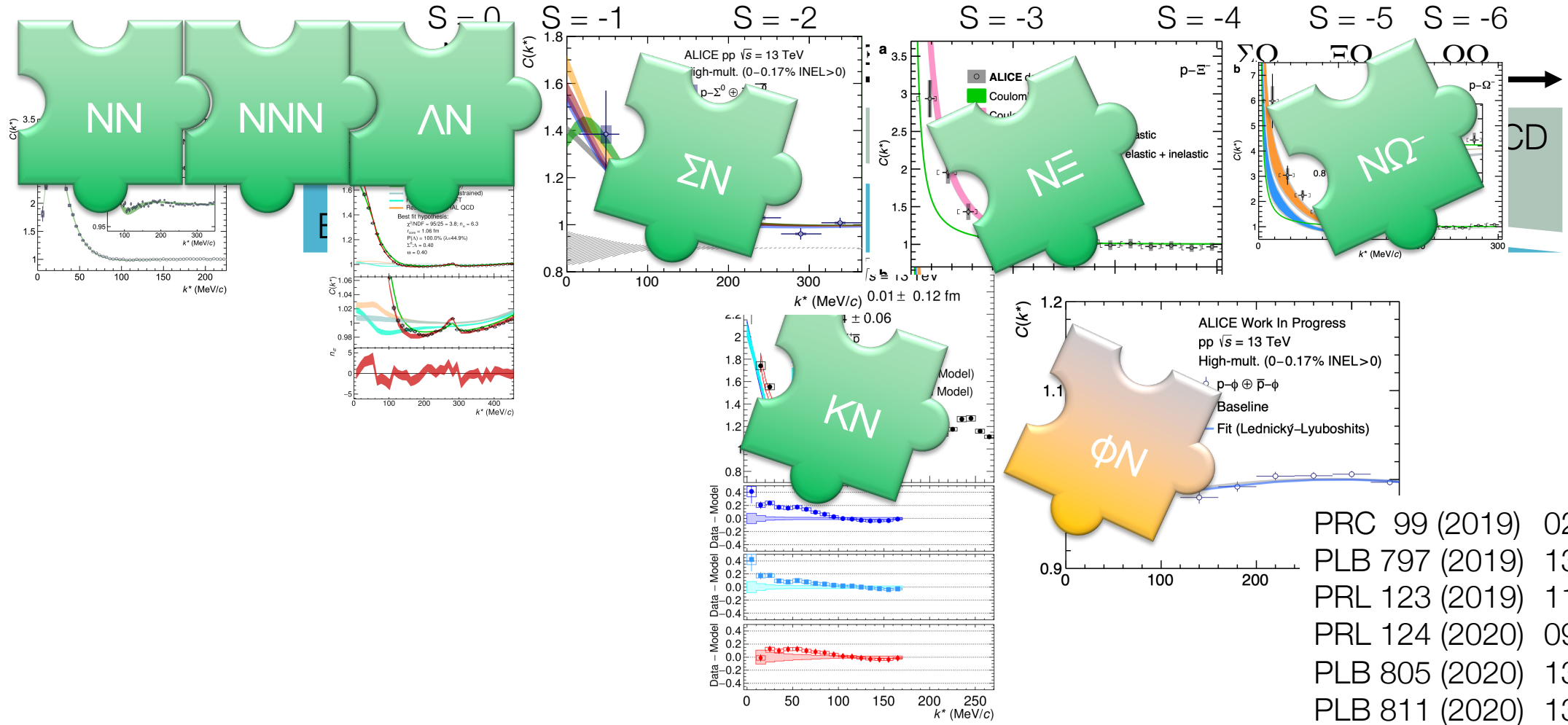


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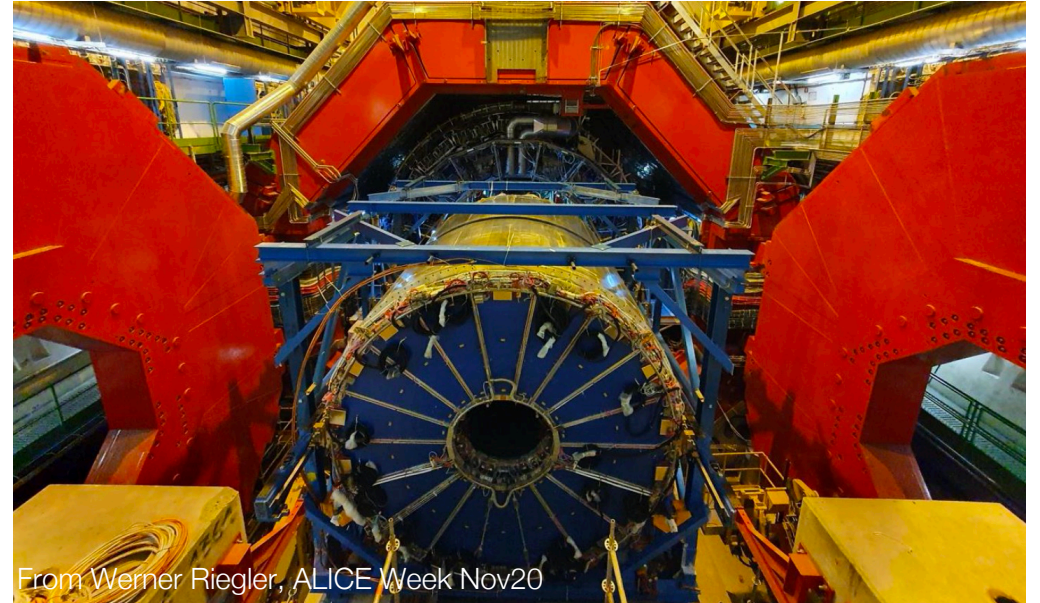


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The future is soon: Run3 of the LHC

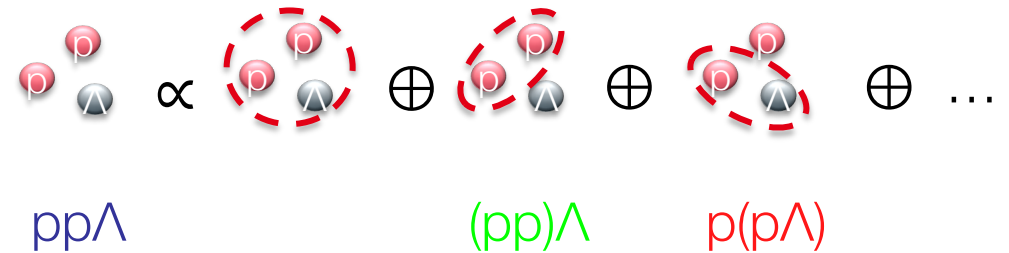
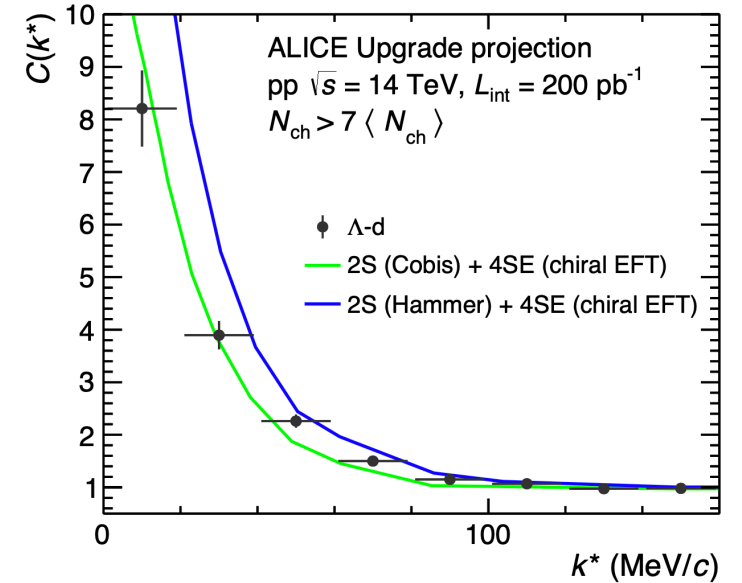
- Commissioning of upgrades of several ALICE detectors
 - e.g. New ITS, TPC read-out etc.
- Improved data taking conditions
 - Higher luminosities by the LHC
 - Continuous readout
- Good news for Femtoscopy studies!
 - O(100) larger event sample
 - Dedicated trigger to detect events with hyperons e.g. Ω^-



Reaction	Energy	Total Statistics RUN3 (evts)
pp	5.5 TeV	4×10^{11}
	14 TeV	2.4×10^{11}
pp	14 TeV	2×10^9
p-Pb	8.8 TeV	6×10^{11}

Measurements of the 3-body Forces

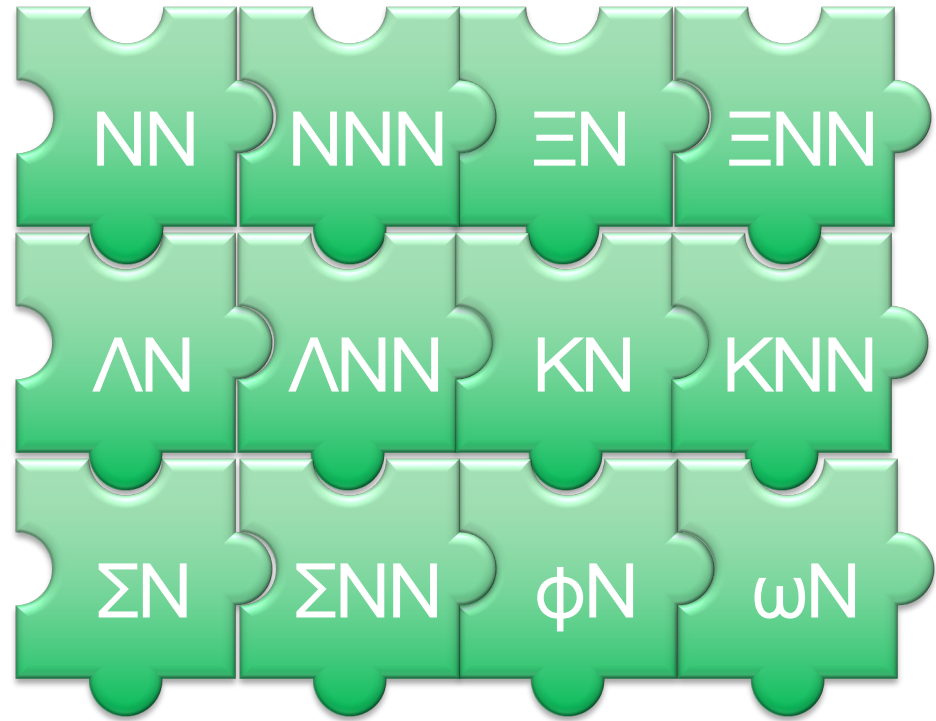
- Indirect: Λ -d correlations
 - Hypertriton ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ binding energy \Leftrightarrow Scattering parameters of the doublet ${}^2\text{S}$ state
 - Spin triplet ${}^3\text{S}_1$ Λ -N interaction \Leftrightarrow ${}^4\text{S}$ state
- Direct: Extraction of the genuine pp Λ three-body force via cumulants
 - Following the methods described in PRC 89 (2014) 024911
- The Run 3 & 4 data samples will provide a high-precision measurement





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... towards the solution of the puzzle





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Thanks for your attention



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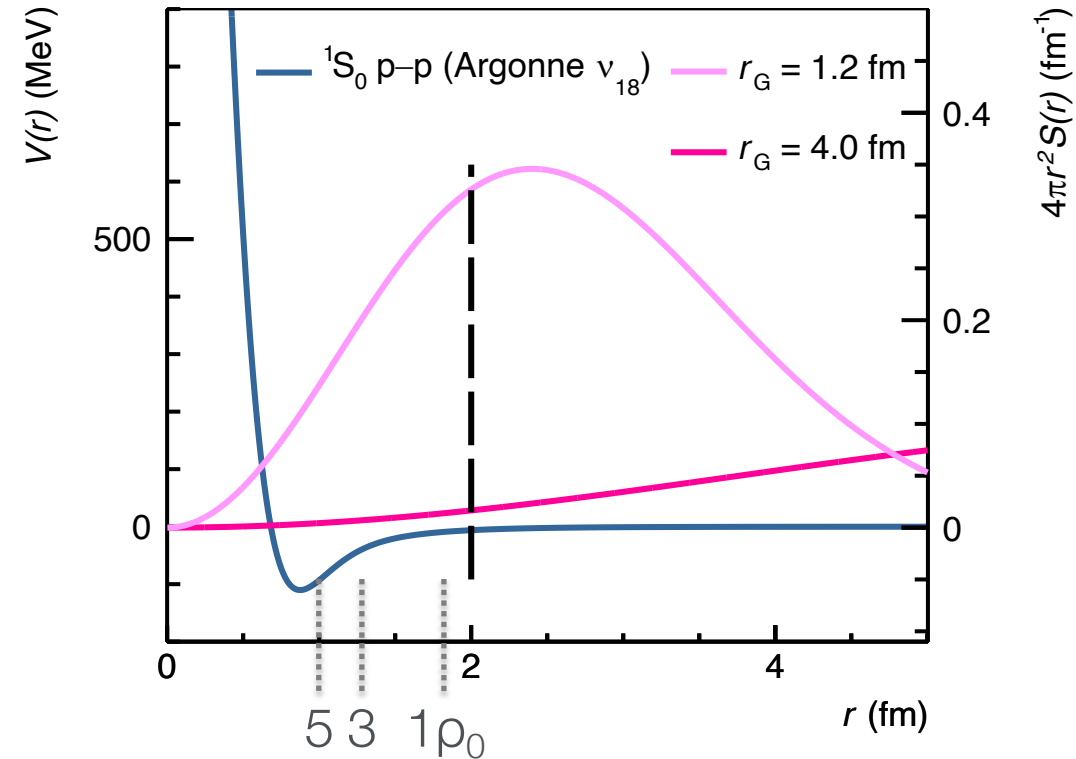
Backup

Strong interaction among (strange) baryons

	Effective Theories		First principles calculations
	Meson exchange models	Chiral Effective field theory	Lattice QCD calculations
General properties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hadronic degrees of freedom • Coupling constants fitted to scattering data and Hypernucleii data 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quarkonic and gluonic degrees of freedom • Lattice calculations with almost physical Pion (146 MeV) and Kaon (525 MeV) masses
NN	✓	✓ (N ³ LO)	✗
NΛ	✓	✓ (NLO)	✗
NΣ	✓	✓ (NLO)	✗
ΛΛ	✓	✓ (NLO)	✓
NΞ	✓	✓ (NLO)	✓
NΩ	✓	✗	✓

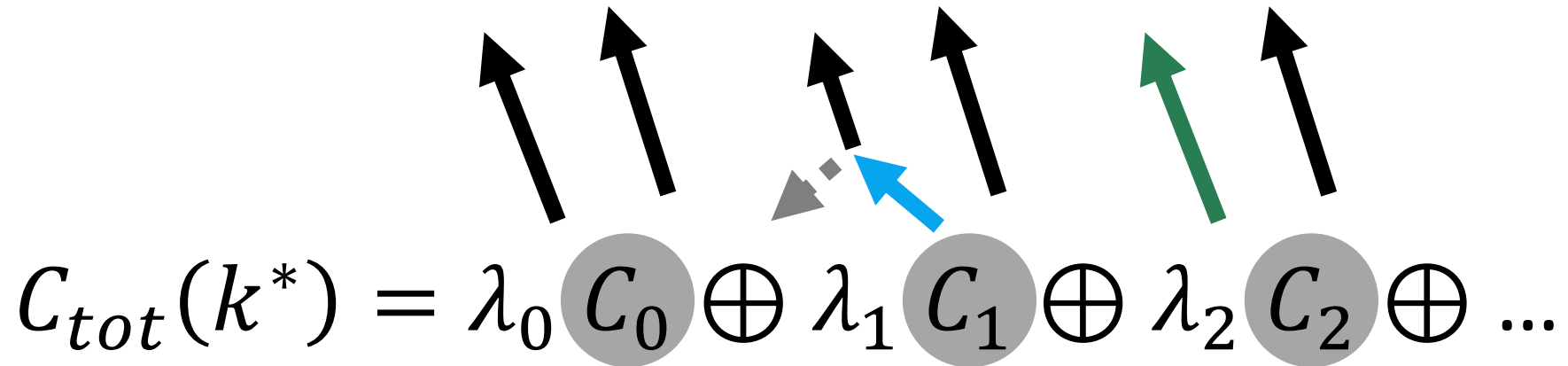
Two-particle correlation function

- Study of correlations in the relative momentum k^* distribution of particle pairs
- Linked to the source and **two-particle wave** function
- In elementary collisions: small source sizes
 - Doorway to study large densities



$$C(k^*) = \zeta(k^*) \cdot \frac{N_{same}(k^*)}{N_{mixed}(k^*)} = \int S(\mathbf{r}) |\psi(k^*, \mathbf{r})|^2 d^3r$$

Residual and non-femtoscopic correlations



$$C_{tot}(k^*) = \lambda_0 C_0 \oplus \lambda_1 C_1 \oplus \lambda_2 C_2 \oplus \dots$$

Contributions from: genuine feed-down misidentifications

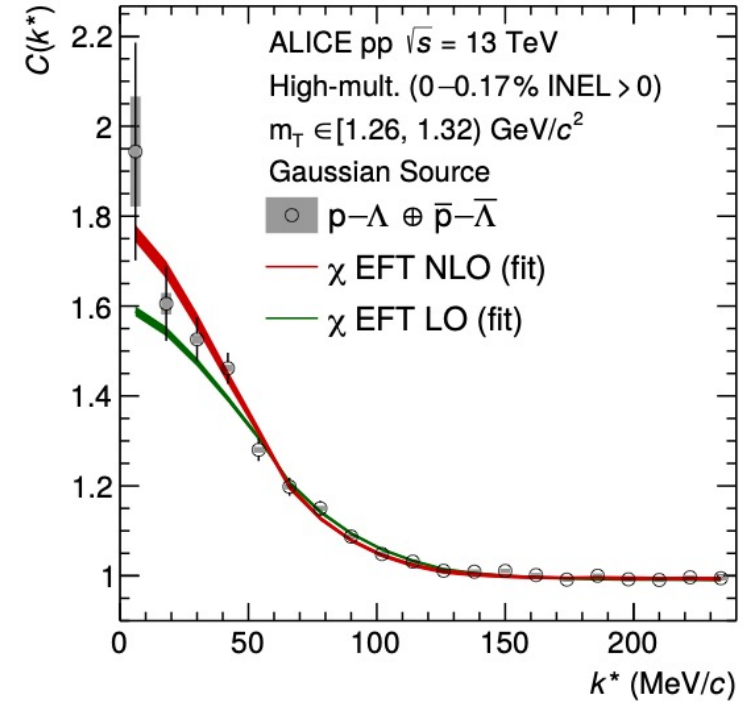
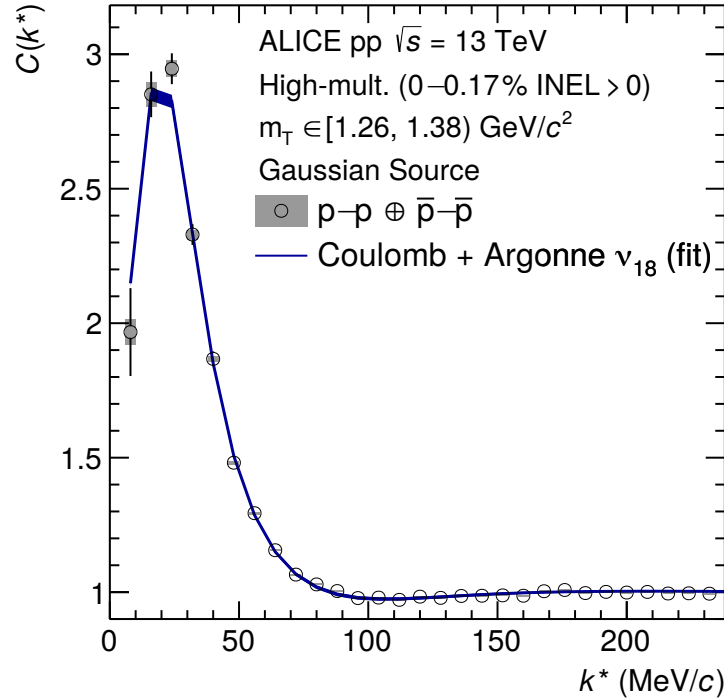
- Pair contributions quantified by purity (\mathcal{P}_i) and feed-down fractions (f_i)

$$\lambda_{ij} = \mathcal{P}_1 \cdot f_{i_1} \cdot \mathcal{P}_2 \cdot f_{j_2}$$

- Finite momentum resolution of the detector
- Non flat baseline

(Details see Phys. Rev. C 99 (2019), 024001)

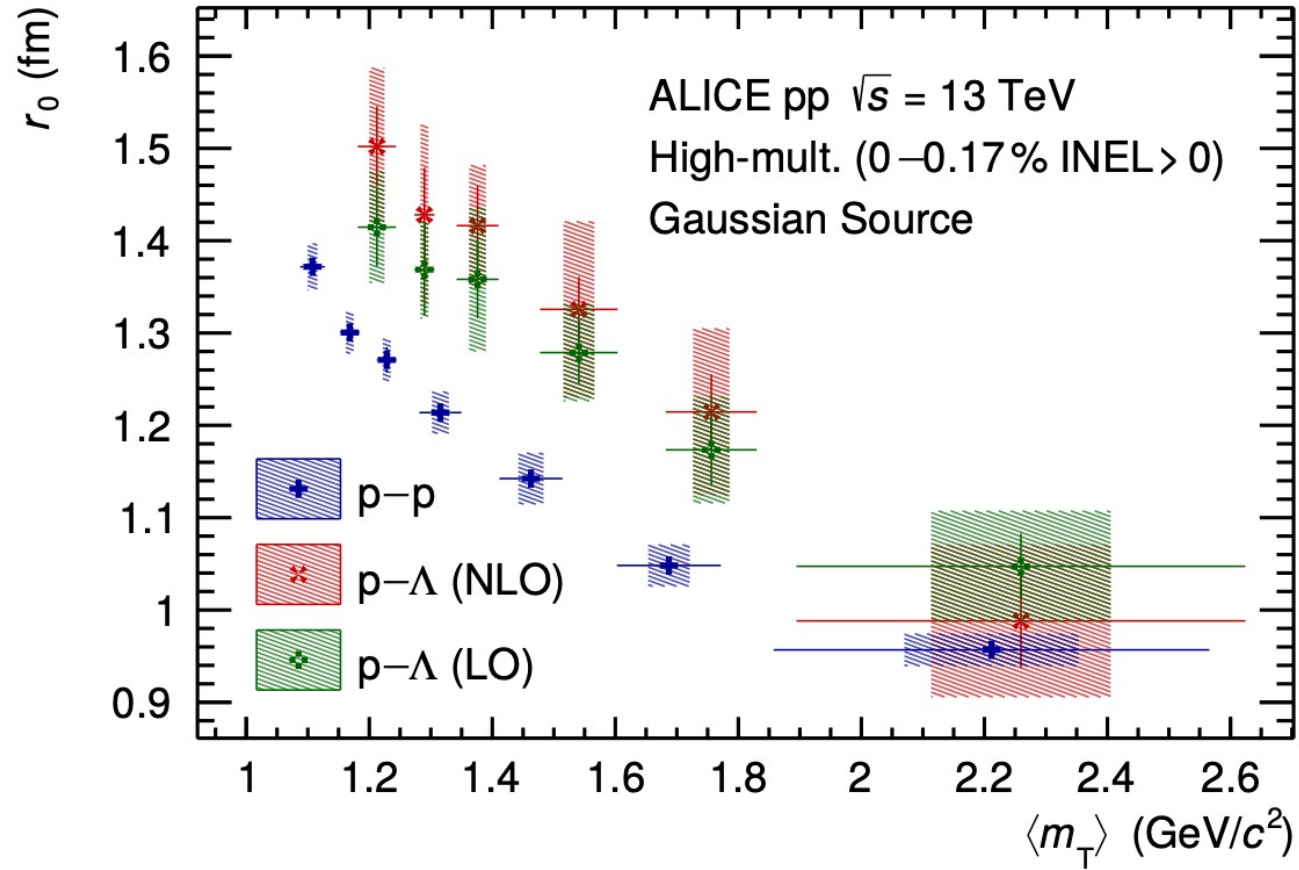
A Gaussian source with resonances



- Each $\langle m_T \rangle$ bin fitted independently with the two source models
- Our Ansatz: The scaling should be the same
 - The results are compared for p-p and p- Λ correlation

Paper in press at PLB

A Gaussian source with resonances



Coupled channel wave functions

- Pairs close in mass with the same quantum numbers: e.g. $p-\Xi^-$ and $\Lambda-\Lambda$
- Schrödinger equation of one pair \rightarrow Equation system of all $1, \dots, N$ pairs

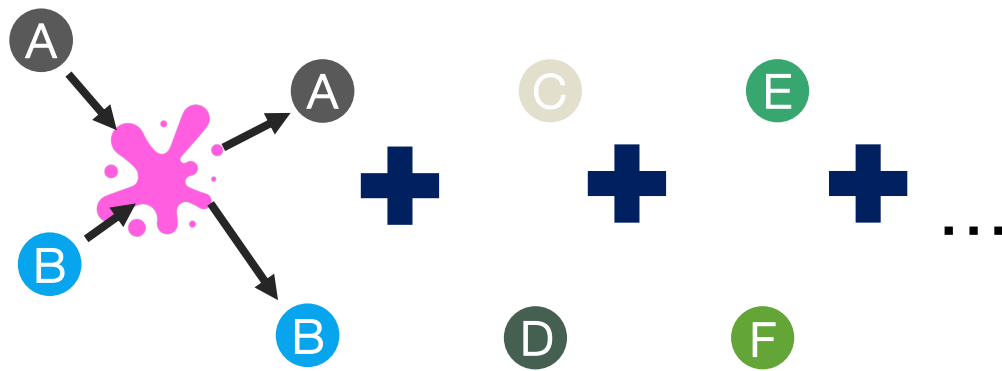
$$\hat{\mathcal{H}} \cdot \psi = E \cdot \psi \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\mathcal{H}}_{11} & \cdots & \hat{\mathcal{H}}_{1N} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \hat{\mathcal{H}}_{N1} & \cdots & \hat{\mathcal{H}}_{NN} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \vdots \\ \psi_N \end{pmatrix} = E \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \vdots \\ \psi_N \end{pmatrix}$$

- 1) Coupled channels influence the elastic channels of the two-particle wave function ψ_j

Observation of coupled channels

Scattering experiments: Boundary condition given by the initial state

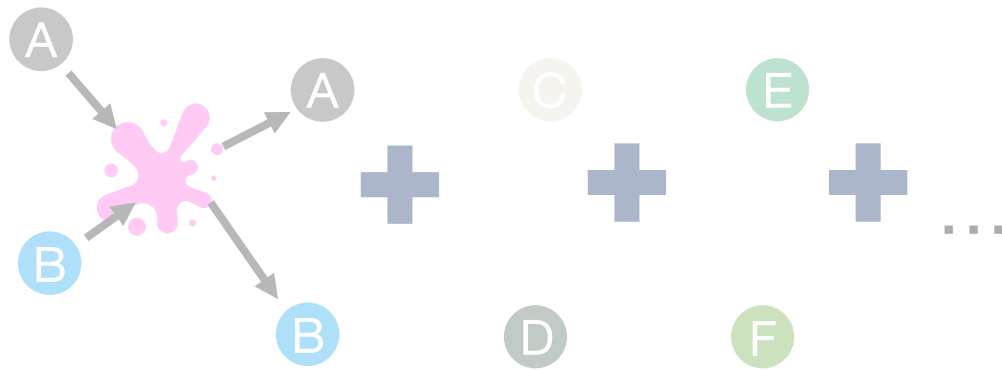
- e.g. beam + target or particle pair of interest
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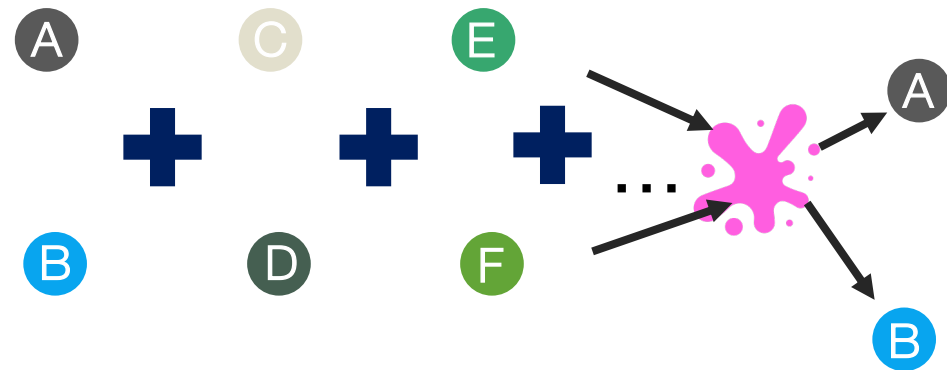
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Femtoscscopy: Boundary condition given by the final state

- All coupled pairs produced in the initial state contribute to the final state
- Measurement of one final state



Femtoscscopy with coupled channels

2) Each inelastic coupled channel contributes to the correlation function

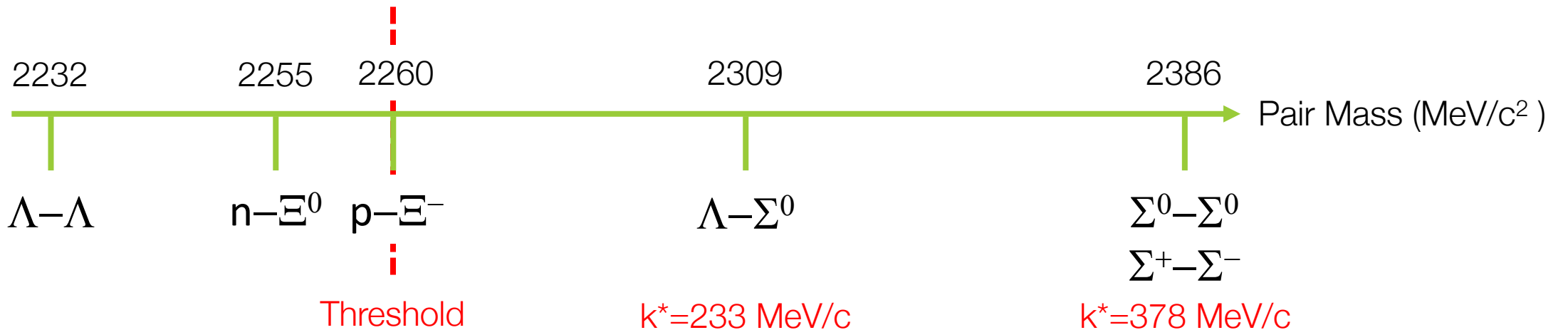
$$C(k^*) = \int S(\mathbf{r}) |\psi(k^*, \mathbf{r})| d^3r \mapsto C(k^*) = \sum_j \int w_j \cdot S_j(\mathbf{r}) |\psi_j(k^*, \mathbf{r})| d^3r$$

- Wave function $\psi_j(k^*, \mathbf{r})$ of each channel j contributes to $C(k^*)$
 - Obtained from the coupled channel Schrödinger equation
 - Shifted to fulfill the boundary condition given by the outgoing pair
- Weights w_j related to the prompt particle yield $N(h)$:
 - $w_j = (N(h'_1)N(h'_2))_{\text{coupled}} / (N(h_1)N(h_2))_{\text{outgoing}}$
 - Estimated from e.g. Statistical Hadronization Model

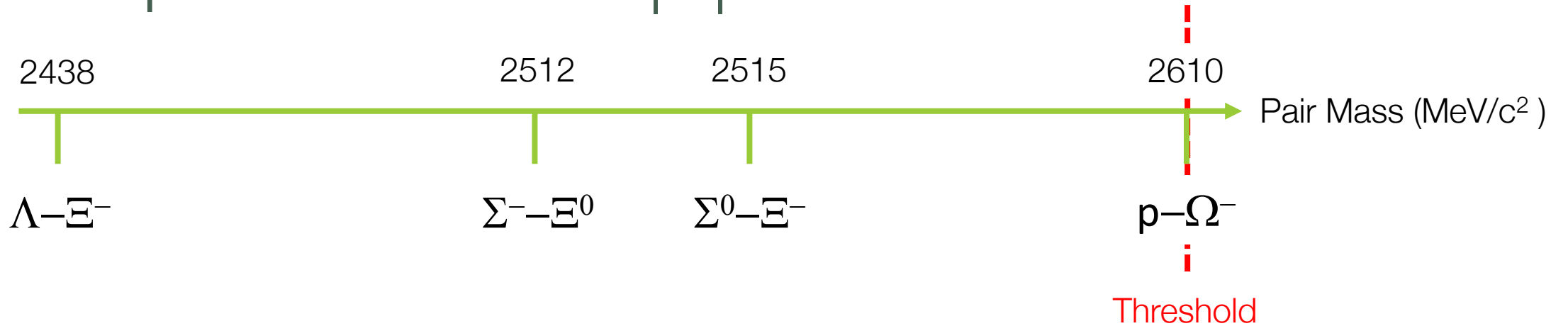
Coupled channels in $|S| = 2$

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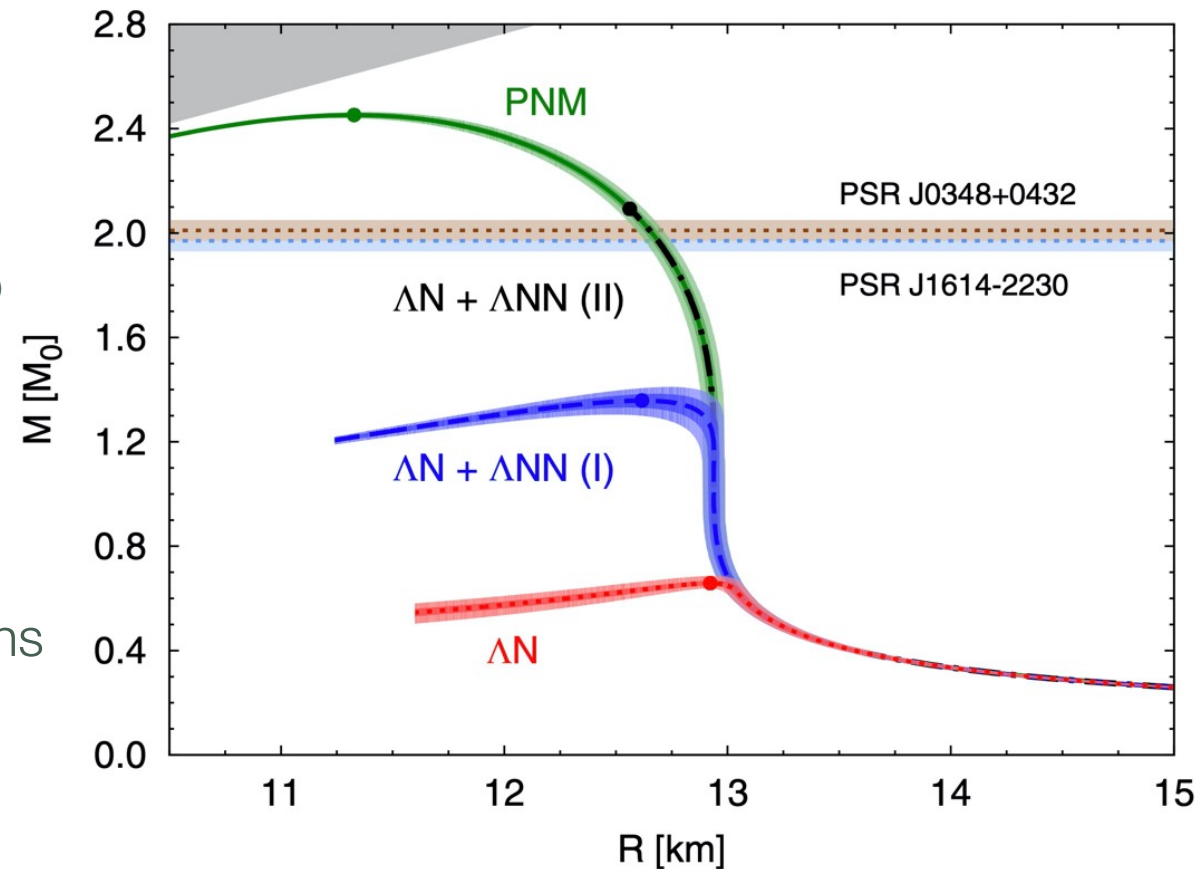
Couple channels in $|S| = 3$



- Absorption of $p - \Omega^-$ pairs in 3S_1 (${}^{2S+1}L_J$) configuration by the channels below threshold dominate interaction
 - Not included in the lattice calculations so far \rightarrow Test of two cases:
 - Total absorption of all $J = 1$ pairs: $V^{J=1}(r) = -i\theta(r_0 - r) V_0$ with $V_0 \rightarrow \infty$ for $r < 2$ fm
 - Neglecting the absorption and same behavior as in the 5S_2 configuration
 - Coupled channel treatment missing so far
- Inelastic interactions suppressed for $p - \Omega^-$ pairs in 5S_2 configuration

EoS and three-body Forces

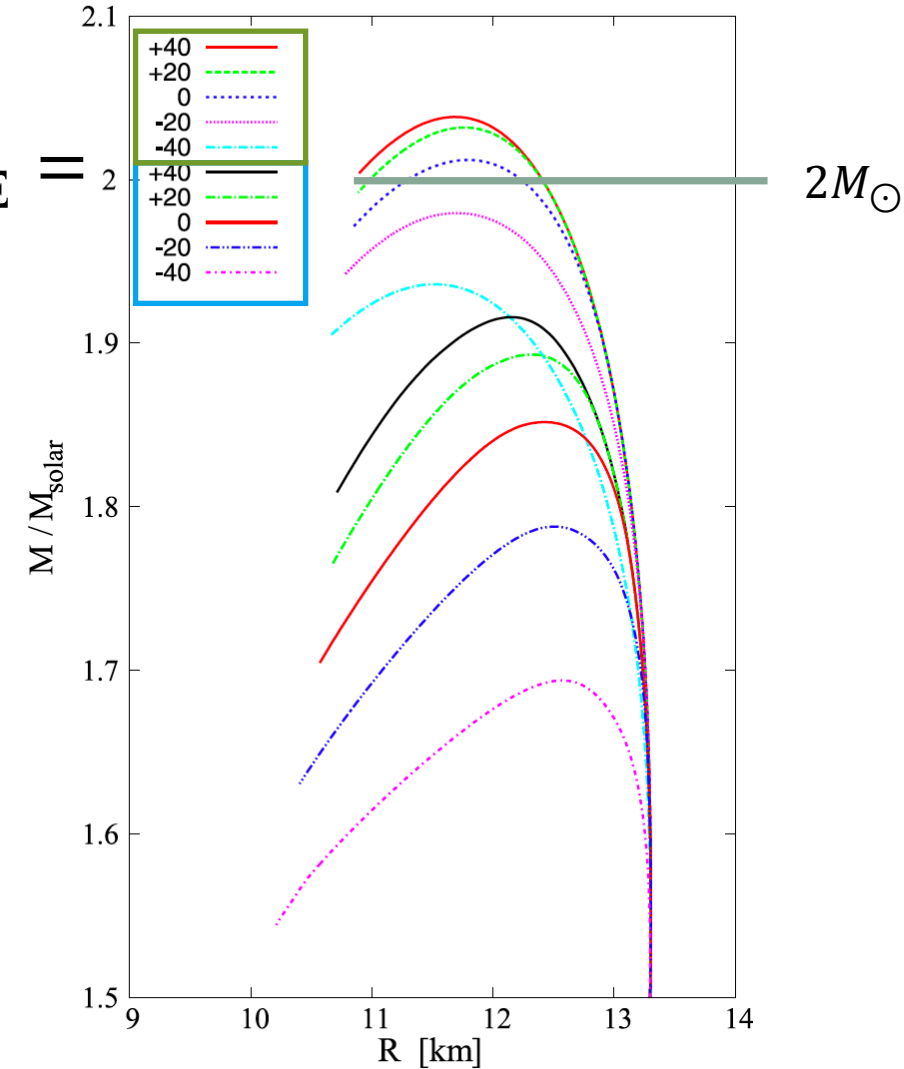
- Benchmark for EoS: Observation of neutron stars with $m=2M_{\odot}$
- Explore presence of nucleons + Λ 's
 - 2-body ΛN interaction: $M_{\max} \ll 2 M_{\odot}$
 - Hyperon Puzzle
 - Additional repulsive 3-body forces
 - Constraint by a fit to hypernucleii binding energies
 - In line with expectation by χ EFT calculations
e.g. <https://doi.org/10.1140/epja/s10050-020-00180-2>
- What about the other Hyperons?!



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Exemplary EoS with Ξ Baryons

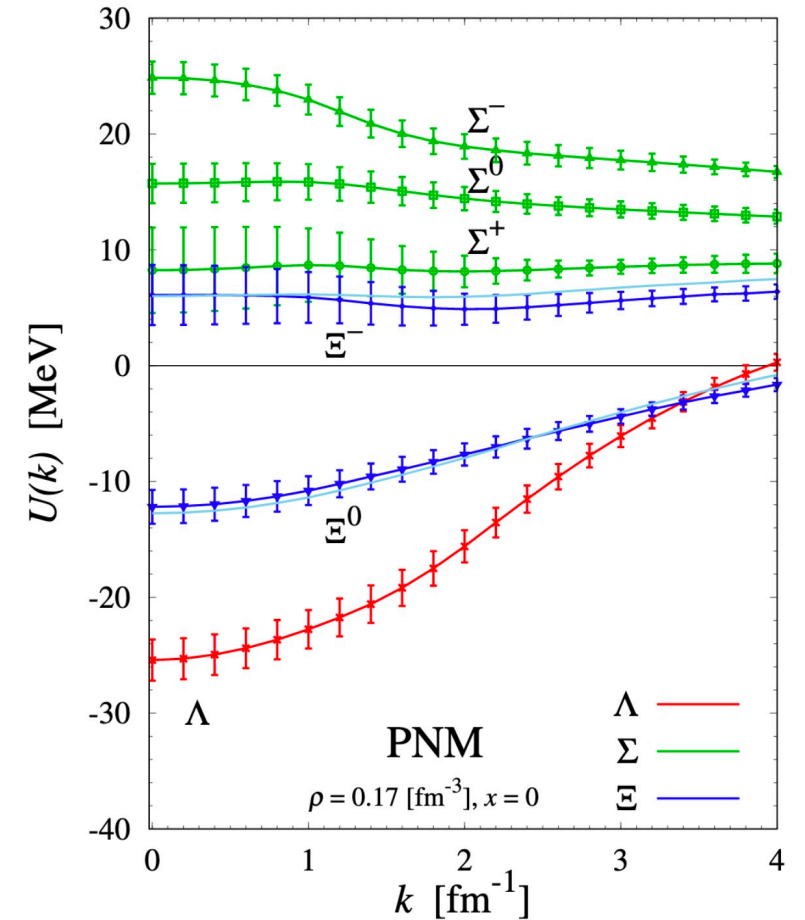
- Scan of different single particle potentials U_{Ξ} in $U_{[\Xi]}$ pure neutron matter
- Ingredients:
 - Attractive $U_{\Lambda} = -30$ MeV fitted to data from Hypernuclei
 - Assumes repulsive $U_{\Sigma} = 30$ MeV
 - **With** and **without** repulsive Hyperon Hyperon interaction



S. Weissborn et al., Nuclear Physics A 881 (2012) 62-77

Implications for neutron stars

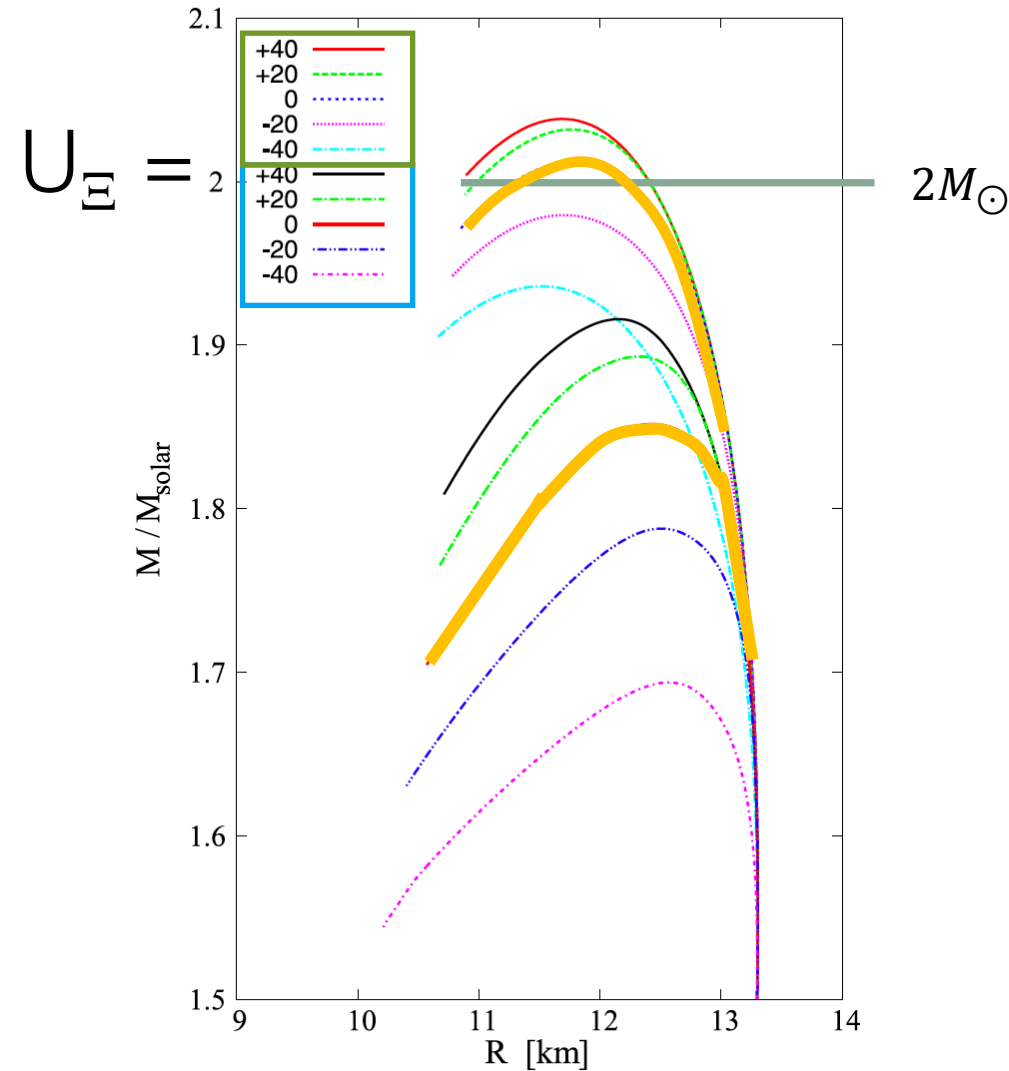
- In medium: Many body interaction – particle experiences an average potential
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HAL QCD Collaboration, arXiv:1809.08932

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