

Recent news from hypernuclei

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ΛNN vs. ΛN content of V_Λ

A V_Λ^{opt} applied to $1s_\Lambda$, $1p_\Lambda$ states, $12 \leq A \leq 208$, suggests ≈ 14 MeV repulsive ΛNN component, thereby constraining the ‘hyperon puzzle’.

E. Friedman, A. Gal, arXiv:2204.02264

V_Ξ from Ξ^- capture events

All five KEK & J-PARC $\Xi^- + {}^A Z \rightarrow {}^{A'}_\Lambda Z' + {}^{A''}_\Lambda Z''$ capture events in light-nuclei emulsion occur in $1p_{\Xi^-}$ nuclear states, suggesting attractive $V_\Xi \geq 20$ MeV.

E. Friedman, A. Gal, PLB 820 (2021) 136555

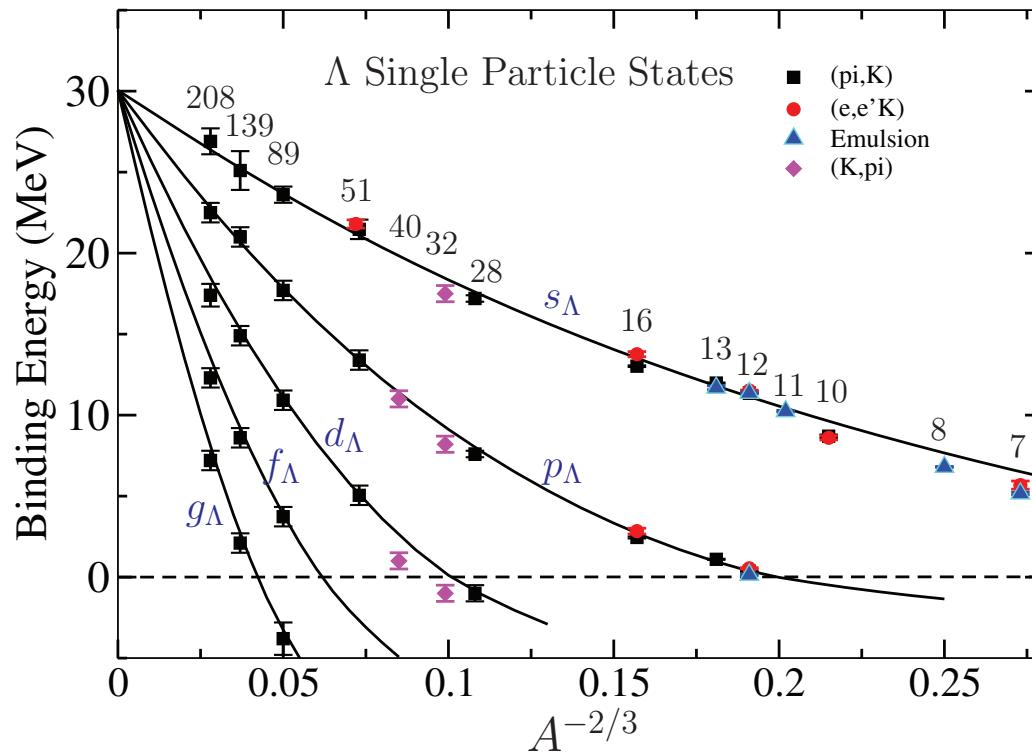
J-PARC E07 $1s_{\Xi^-}$ assignments in ${}^{14}\text{N}$ are questioned.

E. Friedman, A. Gal, arXiv:2209.01606

Λ NN vs. Λ N content of V_{Λ}^{opt}

from Λ hypernuclei

Update: Millener, Dover, Gal PRC 38, 2700 (1988)



Woods-Saxon $V = 30.05$ MeV, $r = 1.165$ fm, $a = 0.6$ fm

**B_Λ values in $^7_{\Lambda}\text{Li}$ to $^{208}_{\Lambda}\text{Pb}$ from experiment
and as calculated from a 3-parameter WS potential,
suggesting a Λ-nucleus potential depth D_Λ ≈ -30 MeV.**

Data: Table IV Gal-Hungerford-Millener, RMP 88 (2016) 035004

D_Λ in ΛN - ΣN models

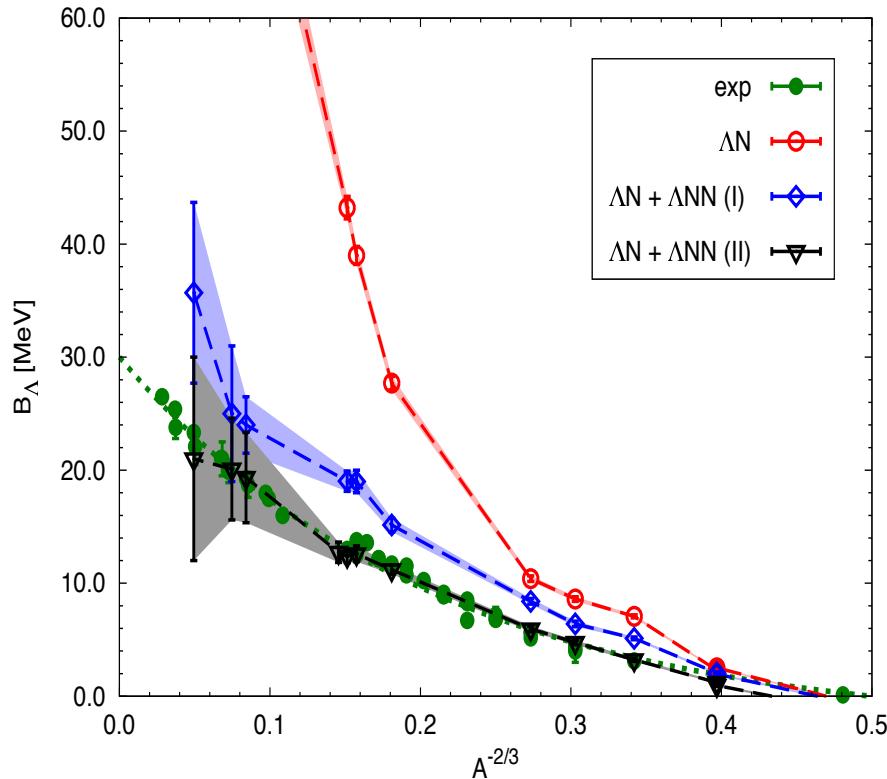
Most 2-body YN models overbind: $|D_\Lambda^{(2)}| > 30$ MeV.

- NSC and ESC models overbind, with $D_\Lambda^{(2)} \sim -40$ MeV.
- χ EFT(LO) overbinds; substantial cutoff dependence.
- χ EFT(NLO) models have substantial model and cutoff dependence; some might underbind.

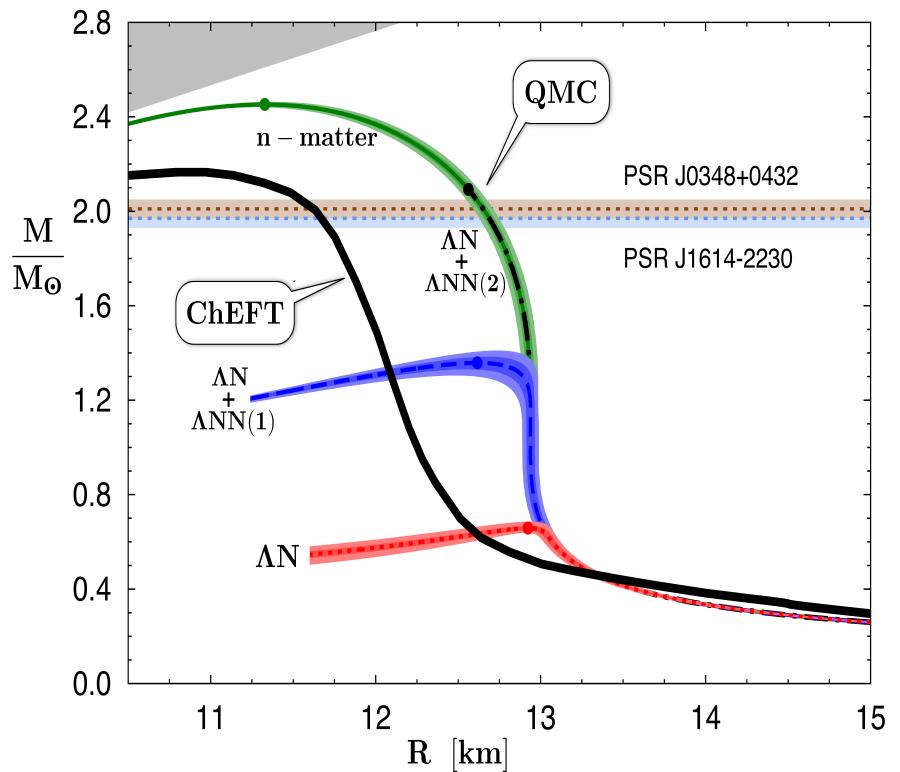
Underbinding would be disastrous for neutron-star matter considerations, implying attractive ΛNN contribution $D_\Lambda^{(3)}$ which will soften the EoS at sufficiently large density.

If repulsive, how large $D_\Lambda^{(3)}$ is?

Hyperon puzzle: QMC calculations



Lonardoni et al, PRC 89 (2014) 014314



PRL 114 (2015) 092301

- ΛN overbinds; added ΛNN stiffens neutron-star EoS.
- However, problematic ${}^5_\Lambda He$ & unlisted ${}^{17}_\Lambda O$ B_Λ input.
- Produced nuclear radii are $\approx 20\%$ too small.

Critique of SHF methodology

Millener-Dover-Gal, PRC 38 (1988) 2700

Schulze-Hiyama, PRC 90 (2014) 047301

$$V_\Lambda(\rho_N) = [V_\Lambda^{(2)}(\rho_N) = a_0 \rho_N] + [V_\Lambda^{(3)}(\rho_N) = a_3 \rho_N^2]$$

is fitted to some $B_\Lambda(A)$ data points [$\rho_0=0.17 \text{ fm}^{-1}$]

Ref.	Points	$V_\Lambda^{(2)}(\rho_0)$	$V_\Lambda^{(3)}(\rho_0)$	$V_\Lambda(\rho_0)$ (MeV)
MDG88	3	-57.8	31.4	-26.4
SH14	35	-55.4	20.4	-35.0 [†]
present (Q)	2	-57.6	30.2	-27.4

[†] ≈ -31 MeV adding $M_{\text{eff}}(\Lambda)$ contribution.

- Missing Pauli correlations (WRW97) start as $\rho^{4/3}$, affecting higher density powers, e.g., ρ^2 .
- Waas-Rho-Weise, NPA 617 (1997) 449, has been practised in K^- atom calculations.

WRW density dependence of V_Λ

$$\Lambda N \Rightarrow V_\Lambda^{(2)}(\rho) = -\frac{4\pi}{2\mu_\Lambda} b_0^{\text{lab}}(\rho) \rho$$

$$b_0^{\text{lab}}(\rho) = \frac{b_0^{\text{lab}}}{1 + \frac{3k_F}{2\pi} b_0^{\text{lab}}} \quad b_0^{\text{lab}} = \left(1 + \frac{A-1}{A} \frac{\mu_\Lambda}{m_N}\right) b_0$$

for Pauli correlations, with $k_F = (3\pi^2\rho/2)^{1/3}$.

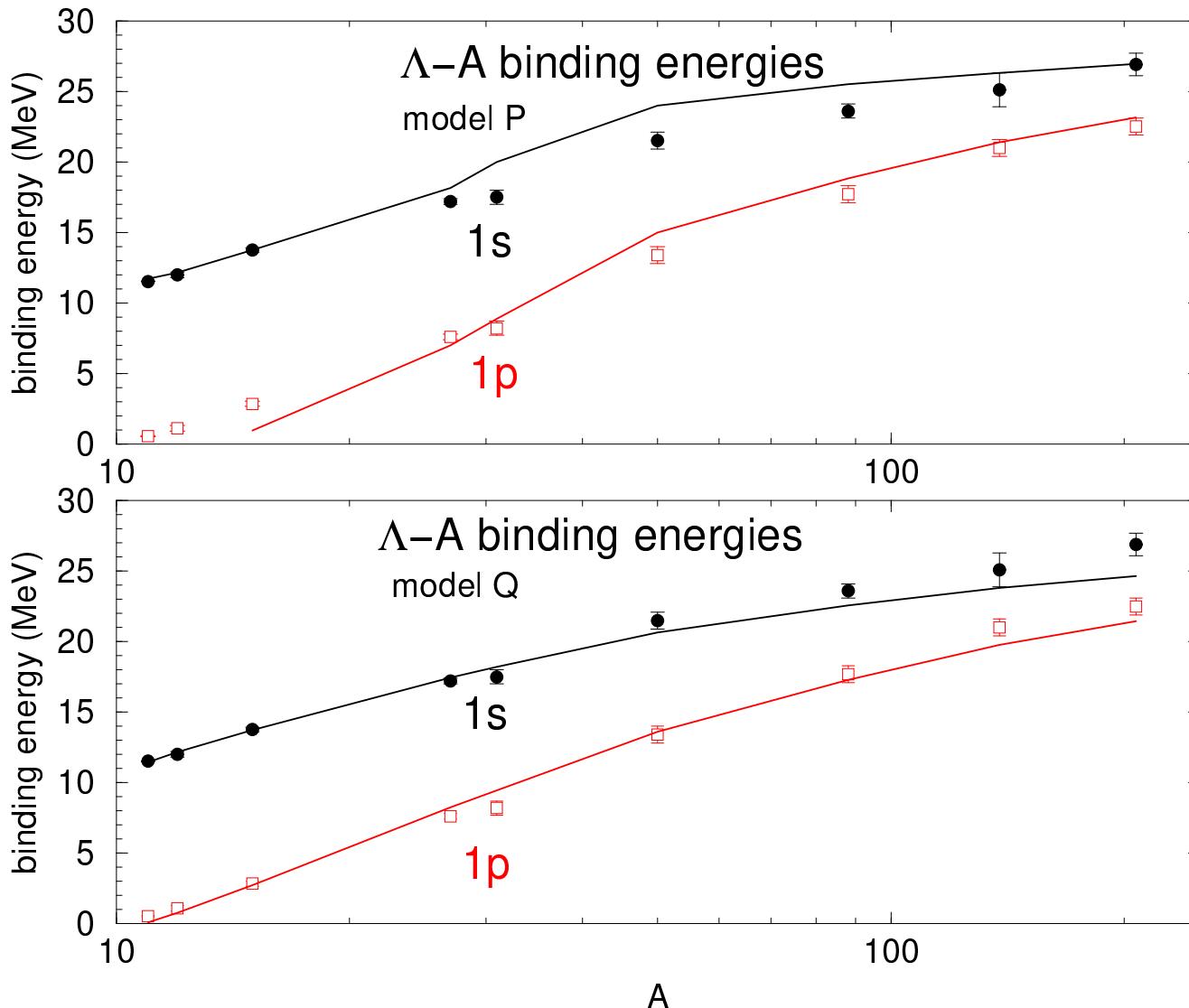
Short-range correlations negligible at $\rho \leq \rho_0$.

Pauli affects terms beyond $\rho^{4/3}$, e.g., ρ^2 .

Low density limit: $b_0 = \Lambda N$ scatt. length.

$$\Lambda NN \Rightarrow V_\Lambda^{(3)}(\rho) = +\frac{4\pi}{2\mu_\Lambda} B_0^{\text{lab}} \frac{\rho^2}{\rho_0}$$

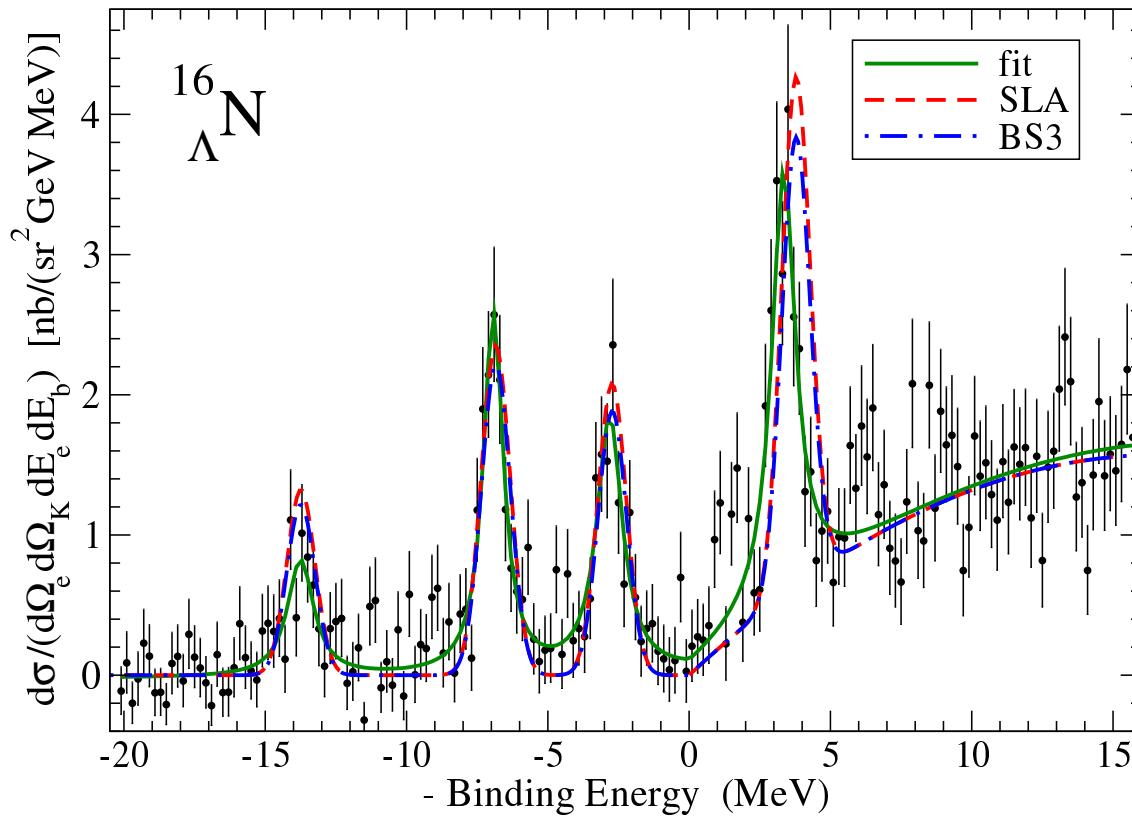
Applying Pauli to $V_\Lambda^{(3)}(\rho)$ has a minor effect.



$B_{\Lambda}^{1s,1p}(A)$ in Models P,Q fitted to $^{16}\Lambda N$. No Pauli

Model P: $b_0 \neq 0$, $B_0 = 0$ Model Q: $b_0 \neq 0$, $B_0 \neq 0$

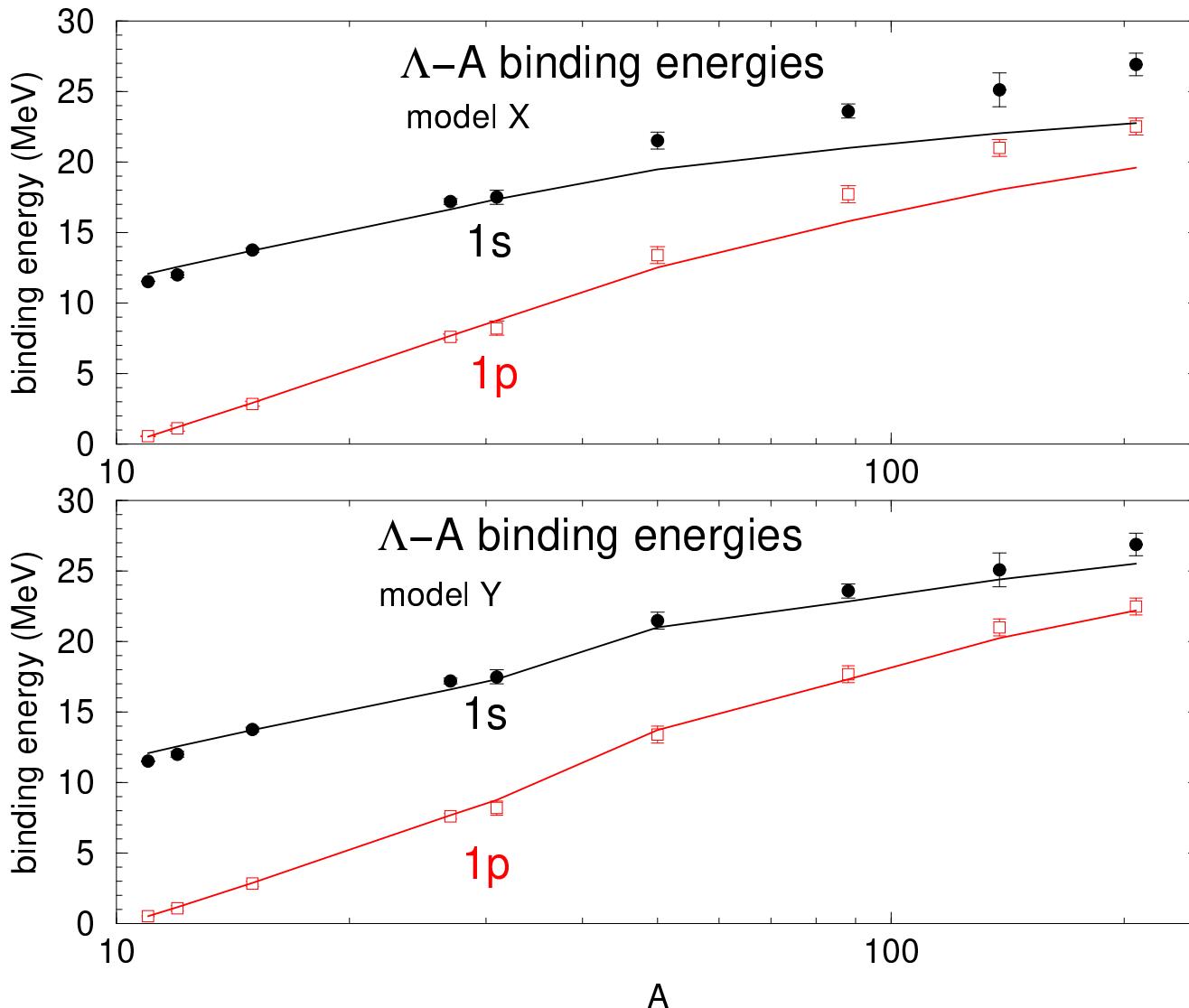
Model Q results close to SHF results



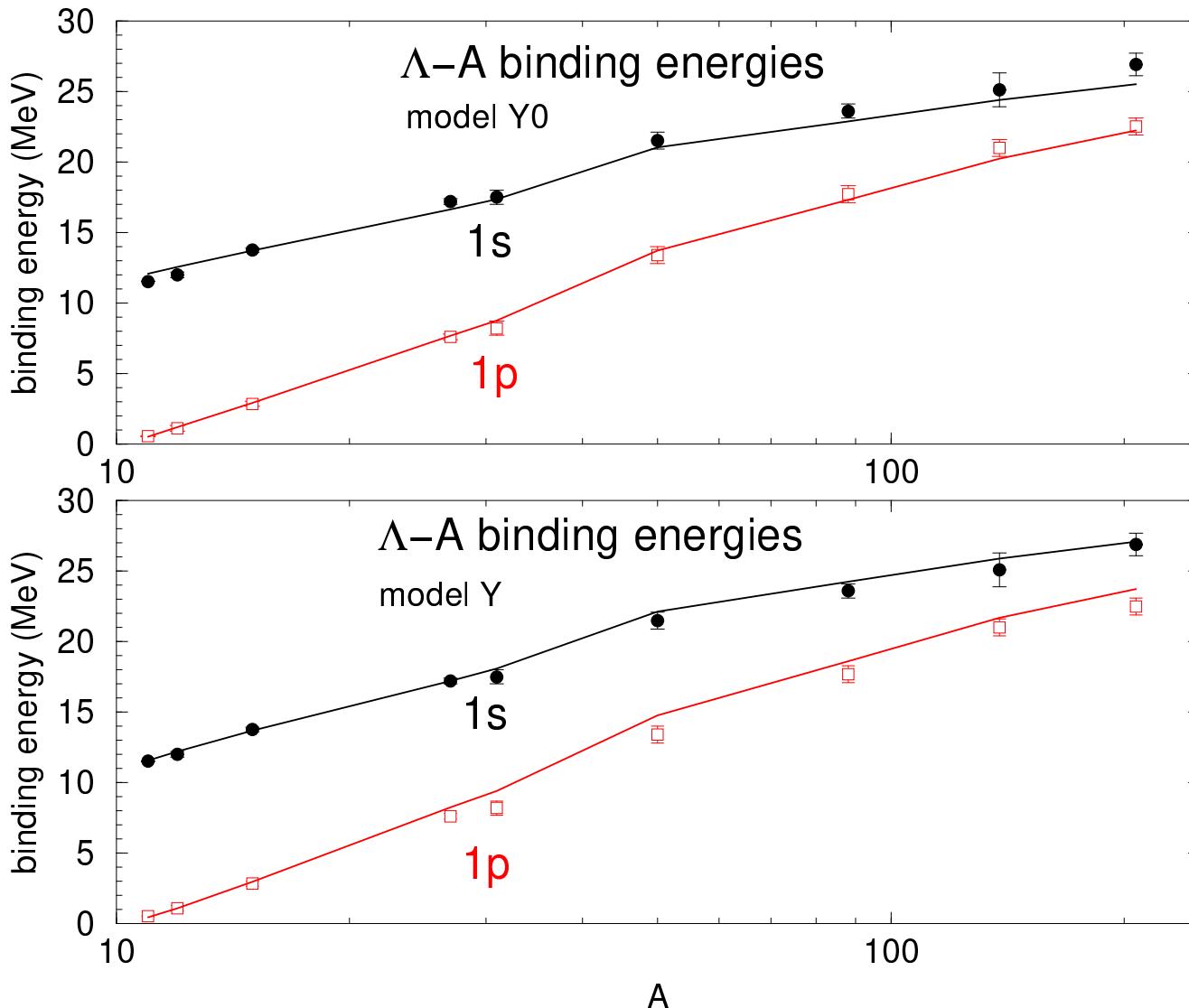
$^{16}\Lambda N$ spectrum from JLab Hall A (e,e'K⁺) experiment

PRL (2009) & PRC 99 (2019) 054309

Why $^{16}\Lambda N$? – (i) very accurate data
(ii) end of p-shell, very simple s.p. structure



$B_{\Lambda}^{1s,1p}(A)$ in Models X,Y fitted to $^{16}_{\Lambda}\text{N}$. Yes Pauli
 $b_0 \neq 0$, $B_0 \neq 0$ in both Models X,Y
 Neutron excess decoupled from rest in Model Y



Sensitivity of $B_{\Lambda}^{1s,1p}(A)$ in Model Y to $1/A$ corrections.
 $b_0 \neq 0$, $B_0 \neq 0$, Yes Pauli, and decoupled neutron excess.

ΛN & ΛNN contributions to D_Λ

Model	Pauli	$D_\Lambda^{(2)}$	$D_\Lambda^{(3)}$	D_Λ (MeV)
P	No	-34.1	-	-34.1
P'	Yes	-31.3	-	-31.3
MDG88	No	-57.8	31.4	-26.4
Q	No	-57.6	30.2	-27.4
X,Y	Yes	-39.9	13.9	-26.0

- Final depth values, including uncertainties:
 $D_\Lambda^{(2)} = -40.4 \pm 0.6$ MeV, $D_\Lambda^{(3)} = 13.9 \pm 1.4$ MeV
 $D_\Lambda = -26.5 \pm 1.5$ MeV.
- AFDMC depths: scale $\rho_0 = 0.17$ fm $^{-3}$ by r_N^{-3} .
 $D_\Lambda^{(2)} = -78.9 \pm 1.2$ MeV, $D_\Lambda^{(3)} = 53.0 \pm 5.3$ MeV
 $D_\Lambda = -26.5 \pm 1.5$ MeV.

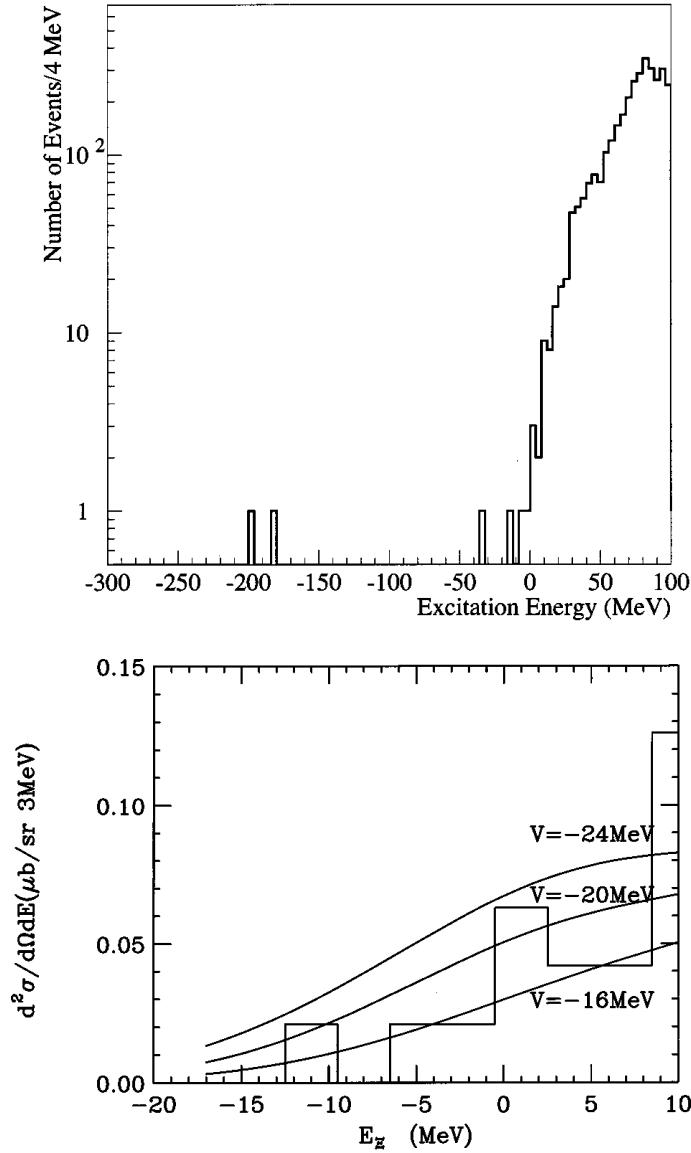
Λ NN summary & outlook

- DD optical potential methodology applied to Λ -nucleus single-particle spectra across the periodic table.
- Pauli corrected ΛN term, plus ΛNN term.
- Isospin dependence in ΛNN term:
neutron-excess density decoupled from symmetric nuclear-matter density.
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- Implications to dense neutron-star matter.

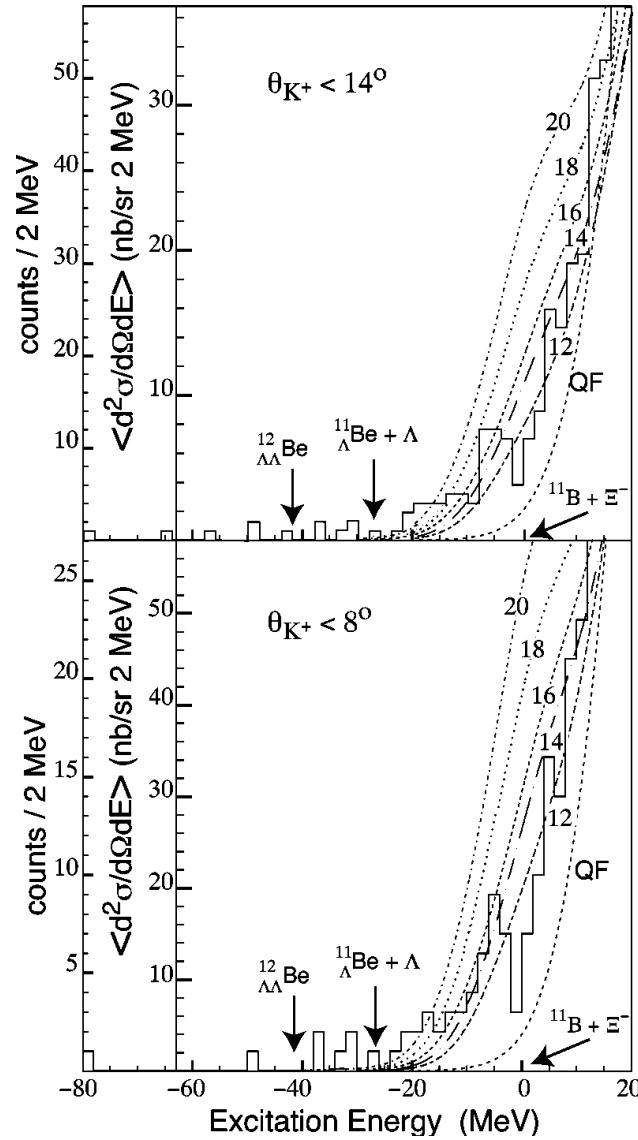
Ξ^- nuclear physics

from counter experiments,
from theory and femtoscopy,
& from capture in emulsion nuclei

E224 (KEK)

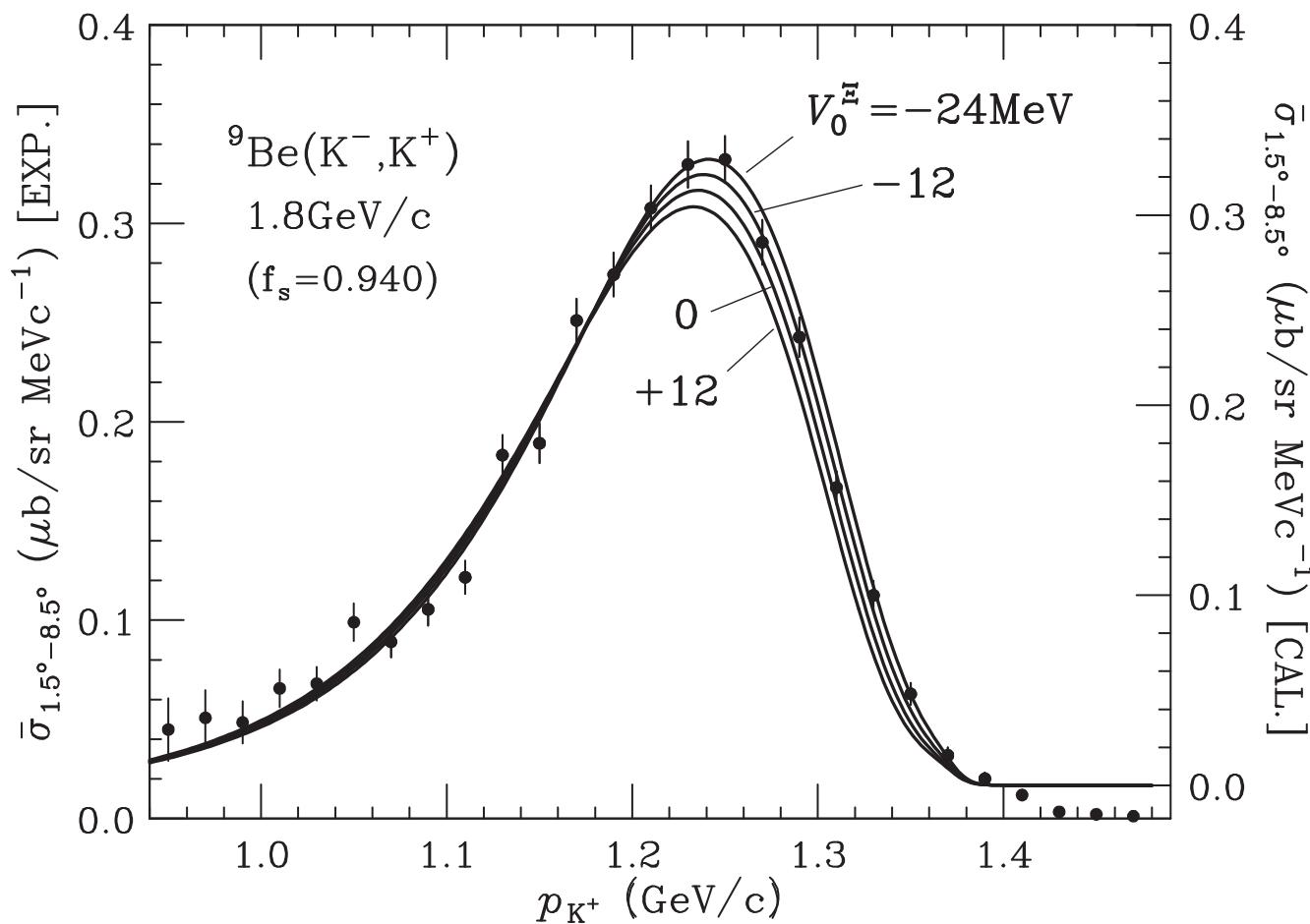


E885 (BNL)



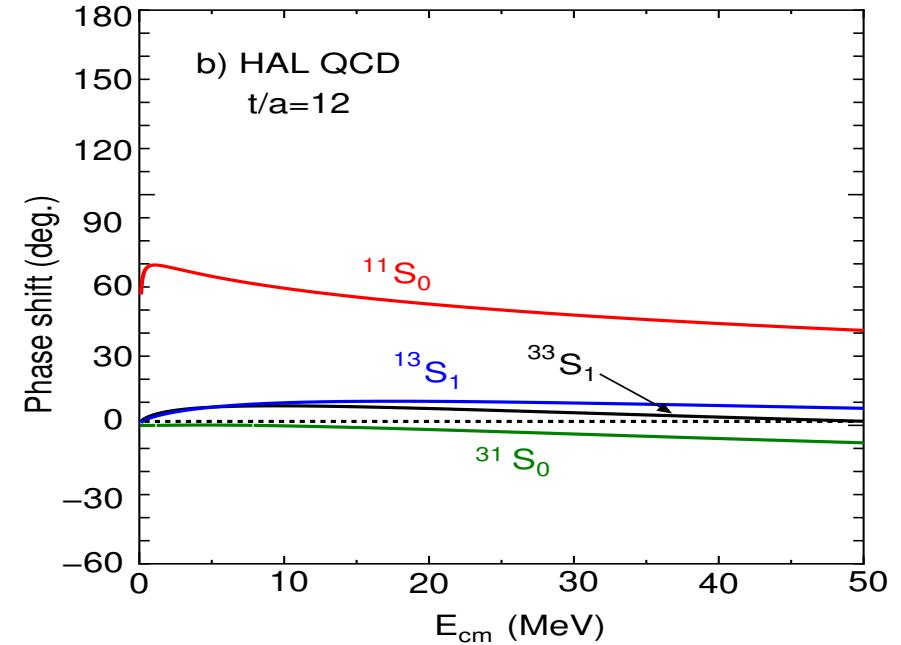
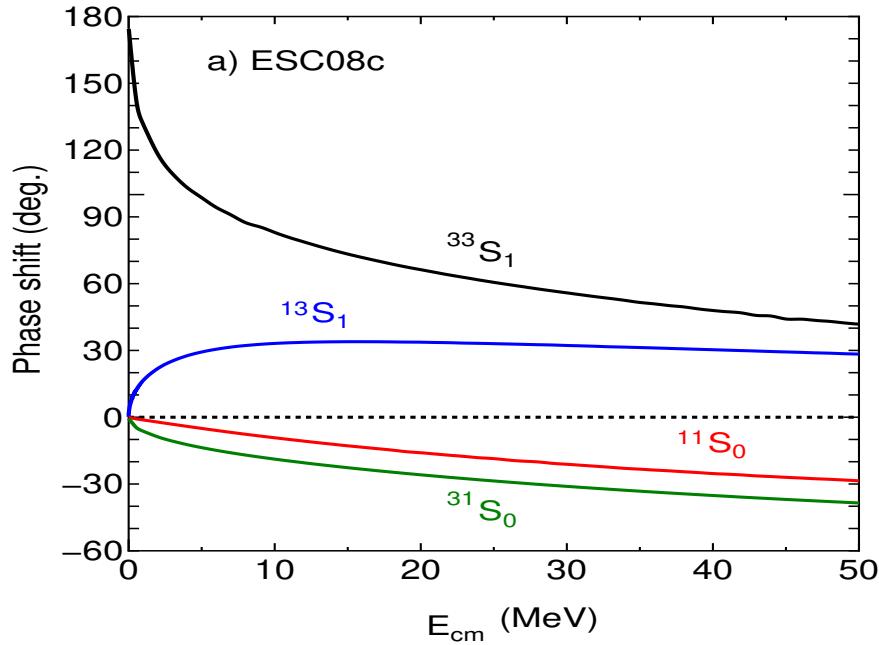
$^{12}\text{C}(\text{K}^-, \text{K}^+)$ counter experiments, end of 1990s.

Unresolved bound states, if any, V_{Ξ} of order 15 MeV



BNL AGS-906 on ${}^9\text{Be}$ claiming a stable ${}^4_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{H}$.
 QF calculation, Harada-Hirabayashi (PRC 2021),
 concludes $V_{\Xi} = 17 \pm 6 \text{ MeV}$. Yet, no Ξ^- bound state
 smoking gun from (K^-, K^+) experiments.
 Await J-PARC final E05 & future E70 results.

ΞN s-wave model interactions



Nijmegen ESC08c version

HAL-QCD version

Hiyama et al. PRL 124 (2020) 092501: $A \leq 4$ Ξ hypernuclei
Substantial model dependence

HAL-QCD: LQCD calculation at $m_{\pi(K)} = 146(525)$ MeV

Sasaki et al. NPA 998 (2020) 121737

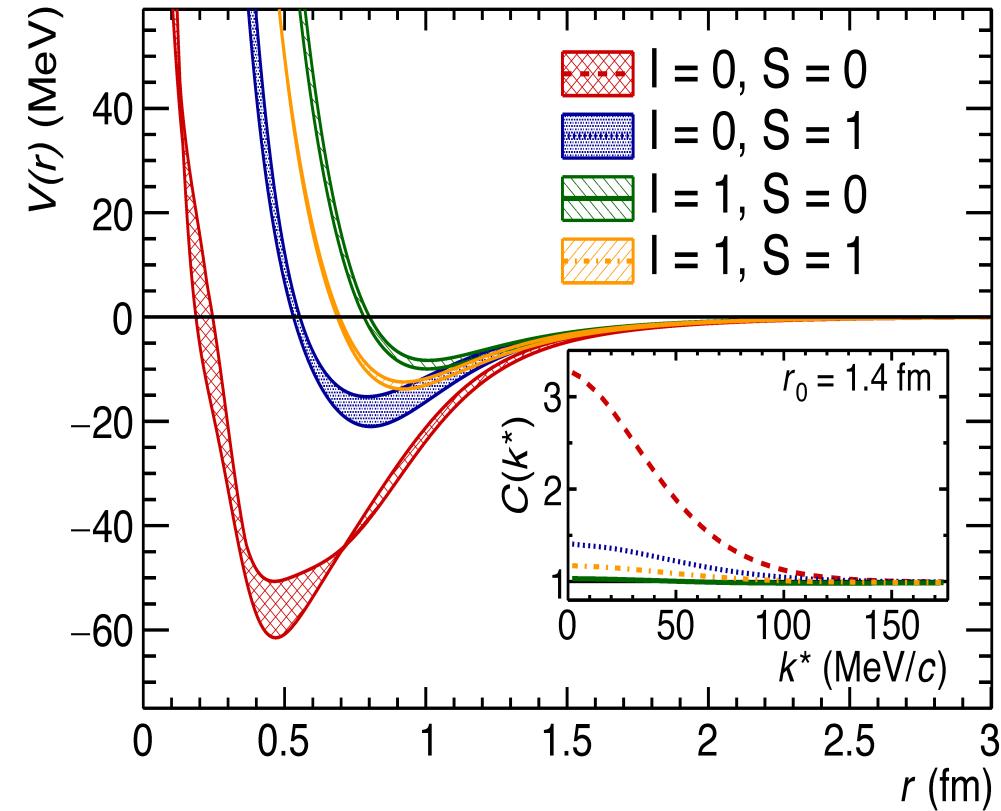
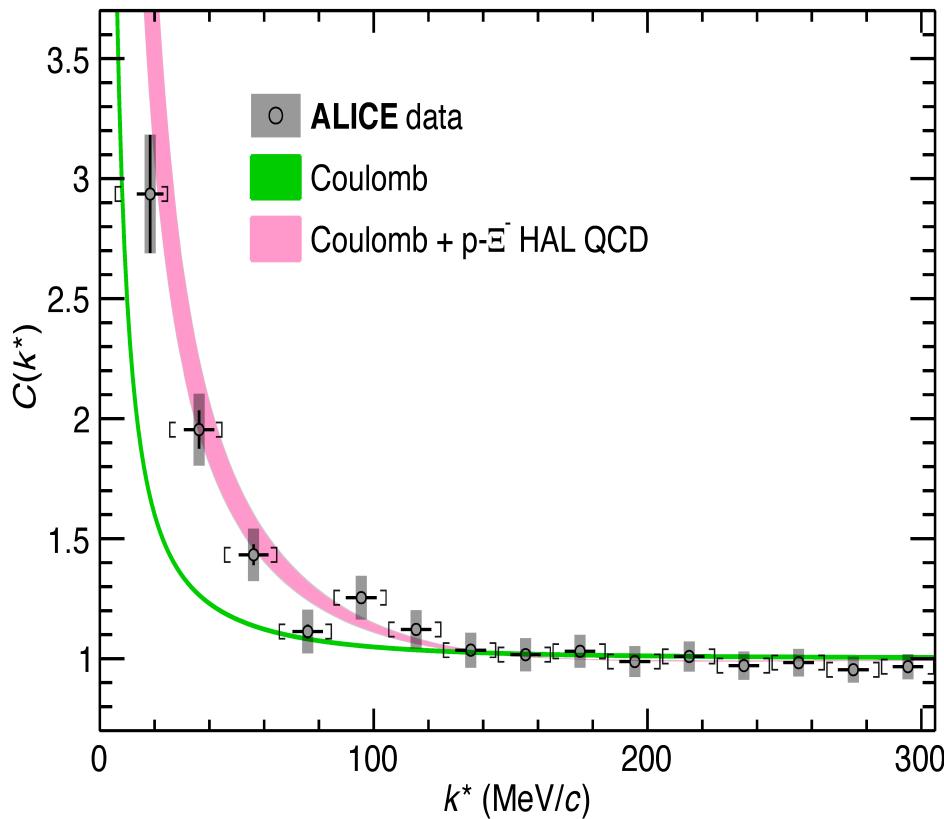
Inoue et al. AIPCP 2130 (2019) 020002: $V_{\Xi}^{\text{LQCD}} = 4 \pm 2$ MeV

Kohno, PRC 100 (2019) 024313: $V_{\Xi}^{\text{EFT}} \approx 10$ MeV

Femtoscopy study of p- Ξ^- correlations

ALICE, PRL 123 (2019) 112002

attractive HAL-QCD – yes
repulsive Nijmegen ESC16 – no



Twin Λ : capture & decay vertices

Include IBUKI (J-PARC E07) PRL 126 (2021) 062501

- A: **capture** $\Xi_{1p}^- + {}^{14}\text{N} \rightarrow {}^5_\Lambda\text{He} + {}^{10}_\Lambda\text{Be}$
- B: **decay** ${}^5_\Lambda\text{He} \rightarrow {}^4\text{He} + \text{p} + \pi^-$
- C: **decay** ${}^{10}_\Lambda\text{Be} \rightarrow 3 \text{ or } 4 \text{ nuclei} + \text{neutrons}$

Exclude KINKA (KEK E373) PTEP 2021 073D02

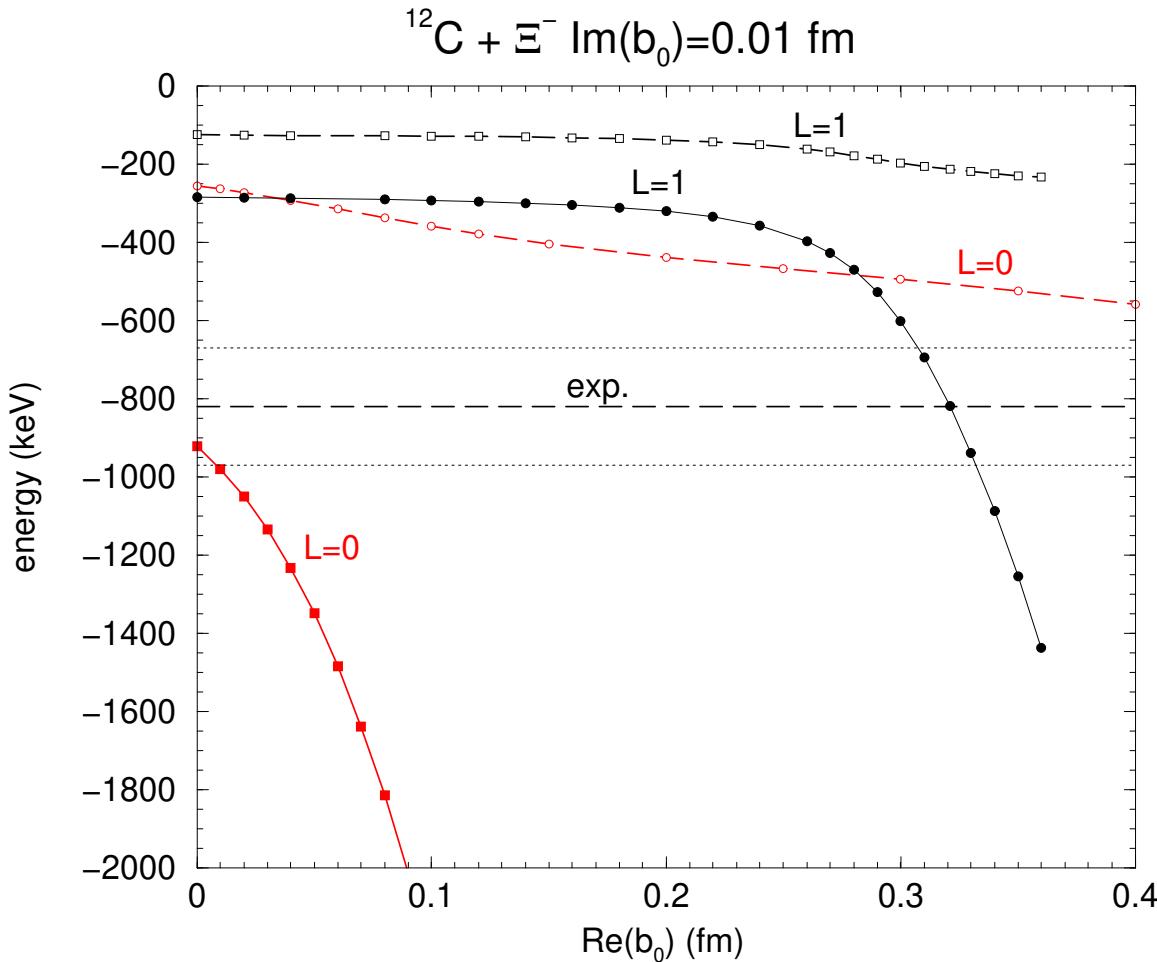
- A: **capture** $\Xi_{1s}^- + {}^{14}\text{N} \rightarrow {}^9_\Lambda\text{Be} + {}^5_\Lambda\text{He} + \text{n}$
- B: **decay** ${}^9_\Lambda\text{Be} \rightarrow {}^6\text{He} + 2\text{p} + \text{n}$
- C: **decay** ${}^5_\Lambda\text{He} \rightarrow 2 \text{ nuclei} + \text{neutrons}$

Furthermore, $1s_{\Xi^-}$ capture rate is only
a few % of $1p_{\Xi^-}$ capture rate

Two-body Ξ^- capture emulsion events

Experiment	Event	A_Z	${}_{\Lambda}^{A'} Z' + {}_{\Lambda}^{A''} Z''$	B_{Ξ^-} (MeV)
KEK E176	10-09-06	^{12}C	${}_{\Lambda}^4 \text{H} + {}_{\Lambda}^9 \text{Be}$	0.82 ± 0.17
KEK E176	13-11-14	^{12}C	${}_{\Lambda}^4 \text{H} + {}_{\Lambda}^9 \text{Be}^*$	0.82 ± 0.14
KEK E176	14-03-35	^{14}N	${}_{\Lambda}^3 \text{H} + {}_{\Lambda}^{12} \text{B}$	1.18 ± 0.22
KEK E373	KISO	^{14}N	${}_{\Lambda}^5 \text{He} + {}_{\Lambda}^{10} \text{Be}^*$	1.03 ± 0.18
J-PARC E07	IBUKI	^{14}N	${}_{\Lambda}^5 \text{He} + {}_{\Lambda}^{10} \text{Be}$	1.27 ± 0.21

- Ξ^- capture occurs mostly from 3D atomic state ($B_{\Xi^-} = 126, 175$ keV in ^{12}C , ^{14}N , respectively).
- To form $1s_{\Lambda}^2$ in $\Xi^- p \rightarrow \Lambda\Lambda$ need $l_{\Xi^-} = l_p$, hence expect capture from a Coulomb-assisted $1p_{\Xi^-}$ nuclear state bound by ~ 1 MeV, evolving by Strong Interaction from a 2P atomic state.



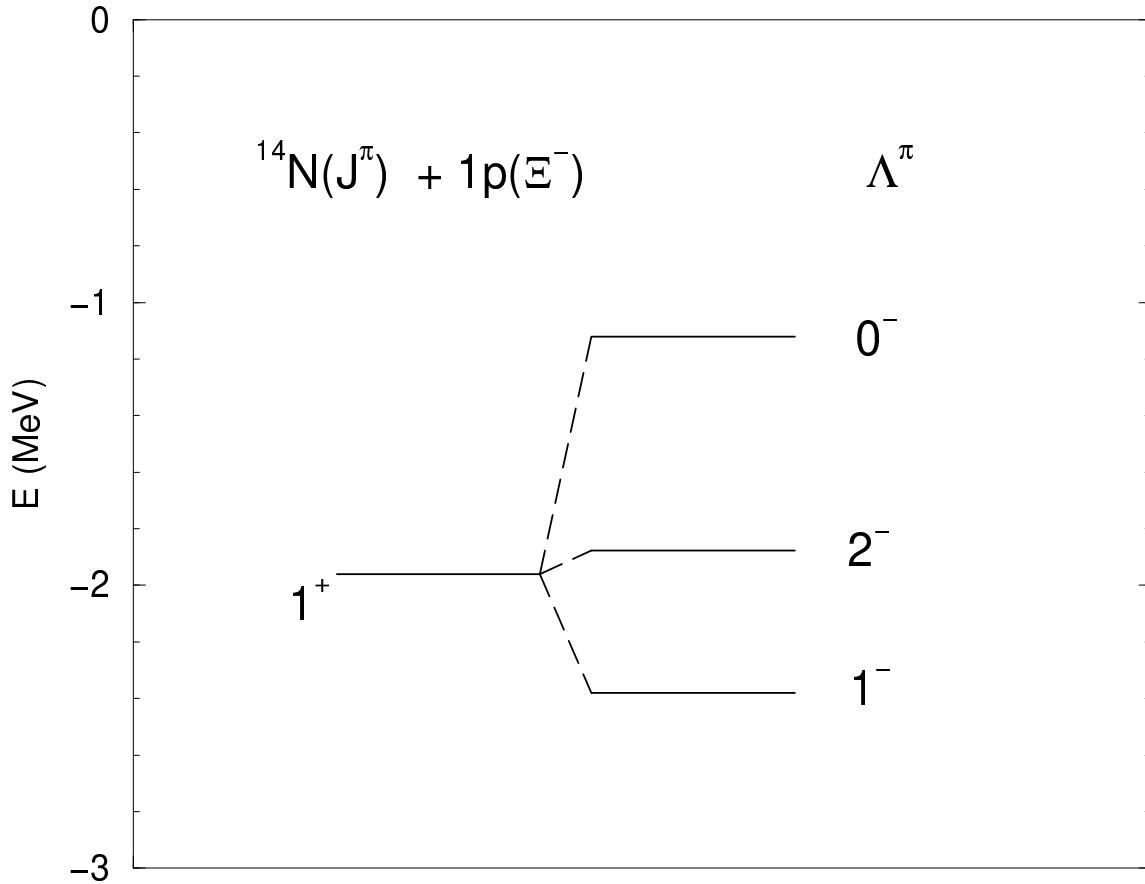
$V_{\text{opt}} = t\rho \sim b_0\rho(r)$: scan over $\text{Re } b_0$

Rearrangement: $3\text{P} \rightarrow 2\text{P}$, $2\text{S} \rightarrow 1\text{S}$, $2\text{P} \rightarrow 1\text{p}$, $1\text{S} \rightarrow 1\text{s}$

Fit exp.: $\text{Re } b_0 = 0.32 \pm 0.01 \text{ fm} \Rightarrow V_\Xi = 24.3 \pm 0.8 \text{ MeV}$

Pauli corrected: $21.9 \pm 0.7 \text{ MeV}$, but fails in ^{14}N :

$B_{1p}^{\Xi^-}(\text{calc.}) = 1.96 \pm 0.25 \text{ vs. } B_{1p}^{\Xi^-}(\text{exp.}) = 1.15 \pm 0.20 \text{ MeV}$



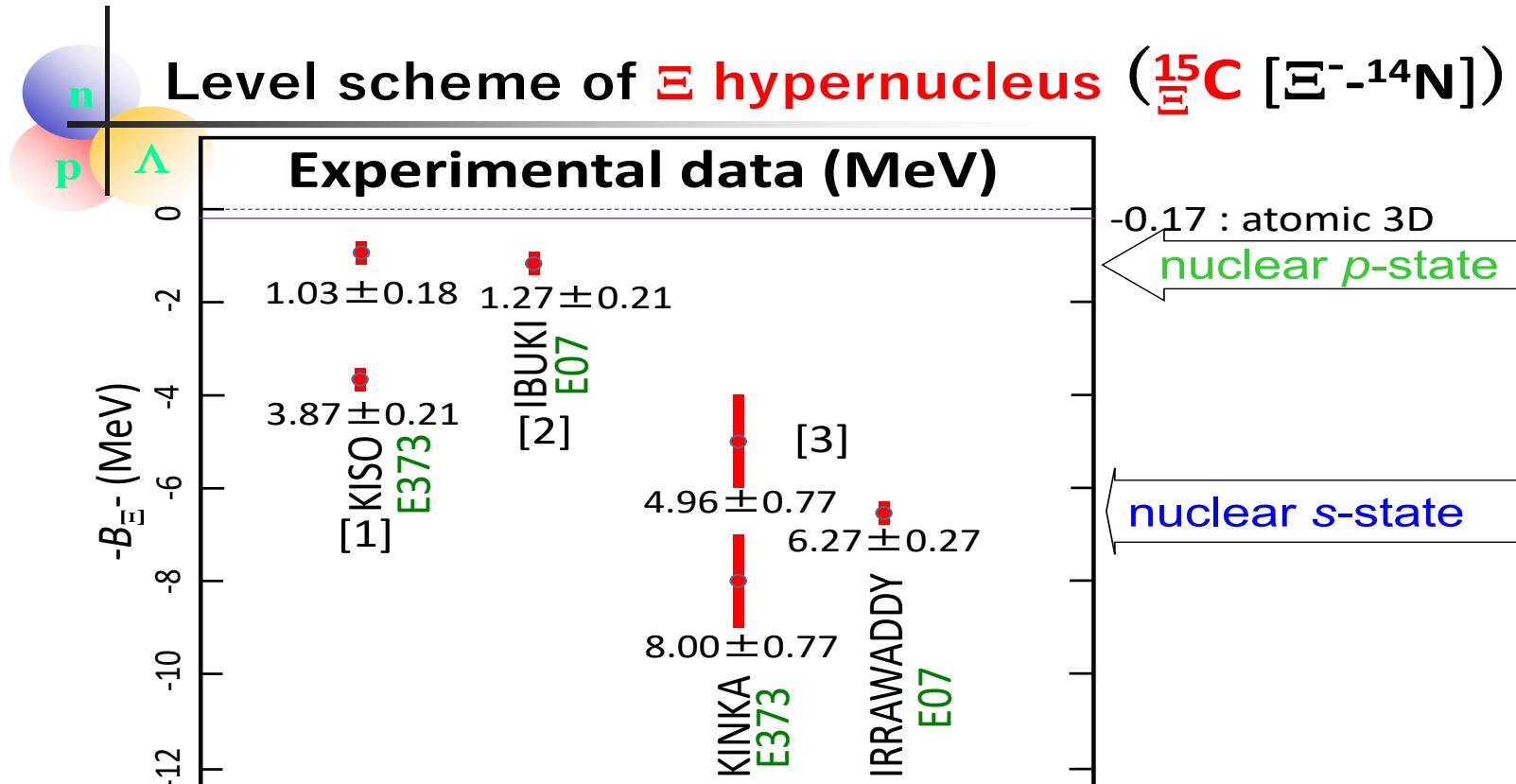
$^{14}\text{N}_{\text{g.s.}}(1^+)$ split by shell-model residual interaction

$$\mathbf{F}_{\Xi N}^{(2)} \mathbf{Q}_N \cdot \mathbf{Q}_\Xi \quad \mathbf{Q} = \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{5}} \mathbf{Y}_2(\hat{r})$$

$$\mathbf{F}_{\Xi N}^{(2)} = -3 \text{ MeV} \Rightarrow B_{1p}^{\Xi^-}(0^-) = 1.12 \pm 0.25 \text{ MeV}$$

agrees with $B_{1p}^{\Xi^-}(\text{exp.}) = 1.15 \pm 0.20 \text{ MeV}$

J-PARC E07 ^{14}N events



[1] K. Nakazawa, et. al., Prog. Theor. Exp. Phys. **2015**, 033D02 (2015),
E. Hiyama and K. Nakazawa, Ann. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci. **68**, 131 (2018).

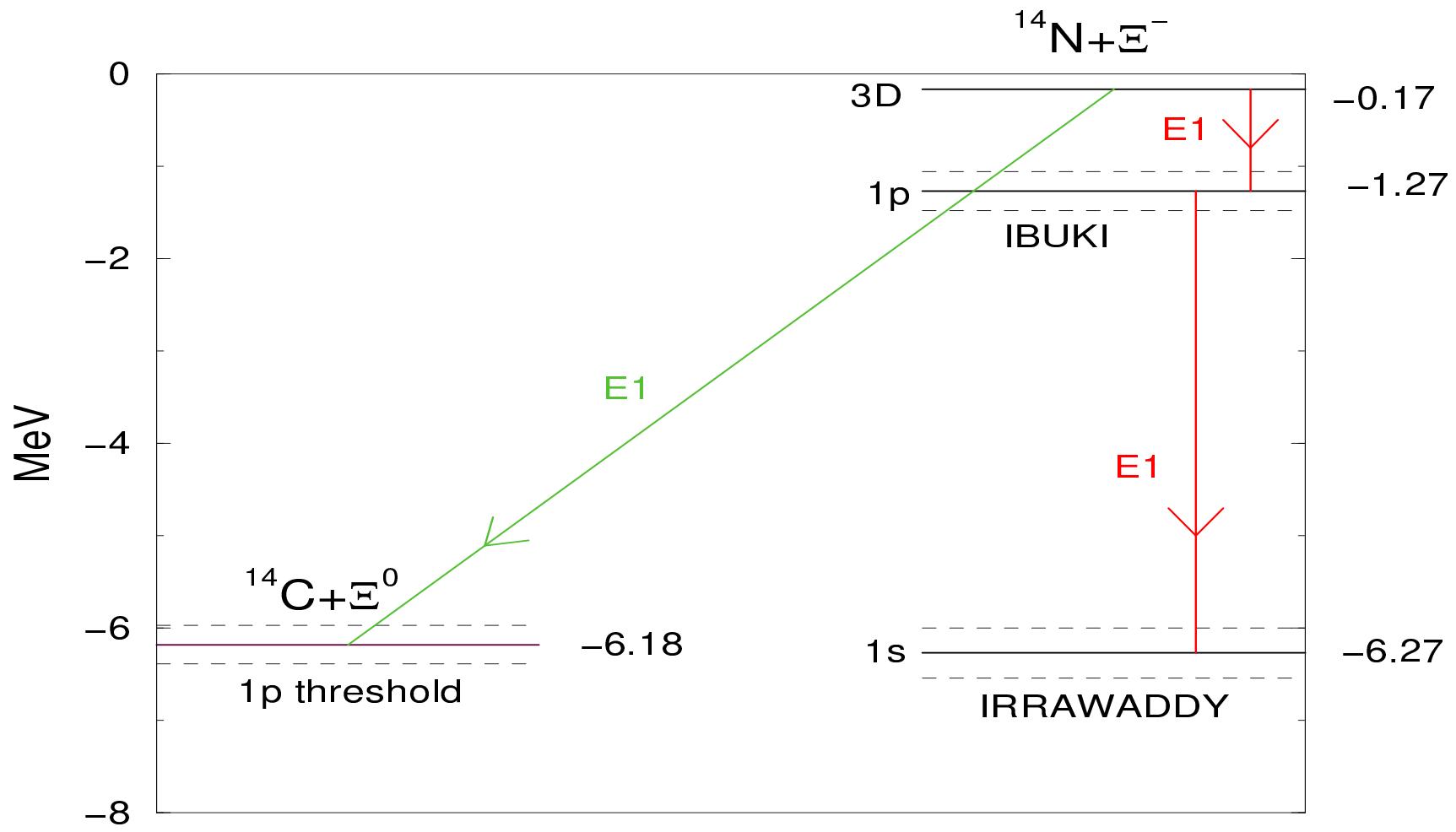
[2] S. Hayakawa, et. al., Phy. Rev. Lett., **126**, 062501 (2021).

[3] M. Yoshimoto, et. al., Prog. Theor. Exp. Phys. **2021**, 073D02 (2021).

Yoshimoto et al., PTEP 2021 073D02

$1s_{\Xi^-}$ states reported only in ^{14}N

$1s_{\Xi^-}$ interpreted as $1p_{\Xi^0}$



Friedman-Gal, arXiv:2209.01606

Ξ^0 mixing unique to ^{14}N

Density Dependence of V_Ξ

$$b_0 \rightarrow b_0(\rho) : \quad \text{Re } b_0(\rho) = \frac{\text{Re } b_0}{1 + \frac{3k_F}{2\pi} \text{Re } b_0^{\text{lab}}}$$

for Pauli correlations, with $k_F = (3\pi^2\rho/2)^{1/3}$,
reducing $V_\Xi(\rho_0) = 24.3 \pm 0.8$ to 21.9 ± 0.7 MeV,
with a systematic uncertainty of ≈ 1 MeV.

- A similar procedure fitting both 1s & 1p states in $^{16}_\Lambda\text{N}$: $V_\Lambda(\rho_0) \approx 30$ MeV (FG22).
- $B_{1s}(\Xi^-) \approx 10$ MeV in ^{12}C , ≈ 11.5 MeV in ^{14}N , much larger than Kinka's 8.0 ± 0.8 MeV.
- Expect $B_{1s}(\Xi^-) \approx 8\text{--}9$ MeV in $^{12}\text{C}(K^-, K^+)$ (J-PARC E05 → E70).
- Could ΞNN contributions prove useful?

Remarks on SHF Calculations

Guo-Zhou-Schulze, PRC 104 (2021) L061307

Suppressing SHF nonlocal terms and assuming $m_{\Xi}^* = m_{\Xi}$, the SHF Ξ mean field depth $V_{\Xi}(\rho_0)$ in n.m. density $\rho_0=0.17 \text{ fm}^{-1}$ is fixed by fitting

$$V_{\Xi}(\rho_N) = [V_{\Xi}^{(2)}(\rho_N) = a_0\rho_N] + [V_{\Xi}^{(3)}(\rho_N) = a_3\rho_N^2]$$

in ${}^{14}\text{N}$ to $B_{\Xi^-}(1s) \approx 8.00 \text{ MeV}$ (KINKA)

and $B_{\Xi}(1p) \approx 1.13 \text{ MeV}$ (KISO & IBUKI).

Method	Pauli	$V_{\Xi}^{(2)}(\rho_0)$	$V_{\Xi}^{(3)}(\rho_0)$	$V_{\Xi}(\rho_0)$ (MeV)
SHF	No	34.1	-20.4	13.7
V_{opt}	No	27.5	-12.6	14.9
V_{opt}	Yes	24.6	-11.0	13.6

Ξ^- capture: Summary & Outlook

- All five twin- Λ two-body capture events:
 $V_{\Xi}(\rho_0) = 24.3 \pm 0.8$ MeV, down to 21.9 ± 0.7 MeV
with Pauli correlations.
- KEK-E224 & BNL-E885: $V_{\Xi}(\rho_0) \approx 16 \pm 2$ MeV.
- BNL-E906: $V_{\Xi}(\rho_0) = 17 \pm 6$ MeV (recent HH).
- FT & LQCD suggest $V_{\Xi}(\rho_0) \leq 10$ MeV.
- SHF using E07 ^{14}N input: $V_{\Xi} \approx 14 \pm 1$ MeV,
with attractive ΞN & repulsive ΞNN terms.
- Why all E07-assigned $1s_{\Xi^-}$ events (Kinka...) are
in ^{14}N ? Need just one good $1s_{\Xi^-}$ event in ^{12}C .
- Implications to dense neutron-star matter?