

Hadron-Hadron interactions and physics of neutron stars

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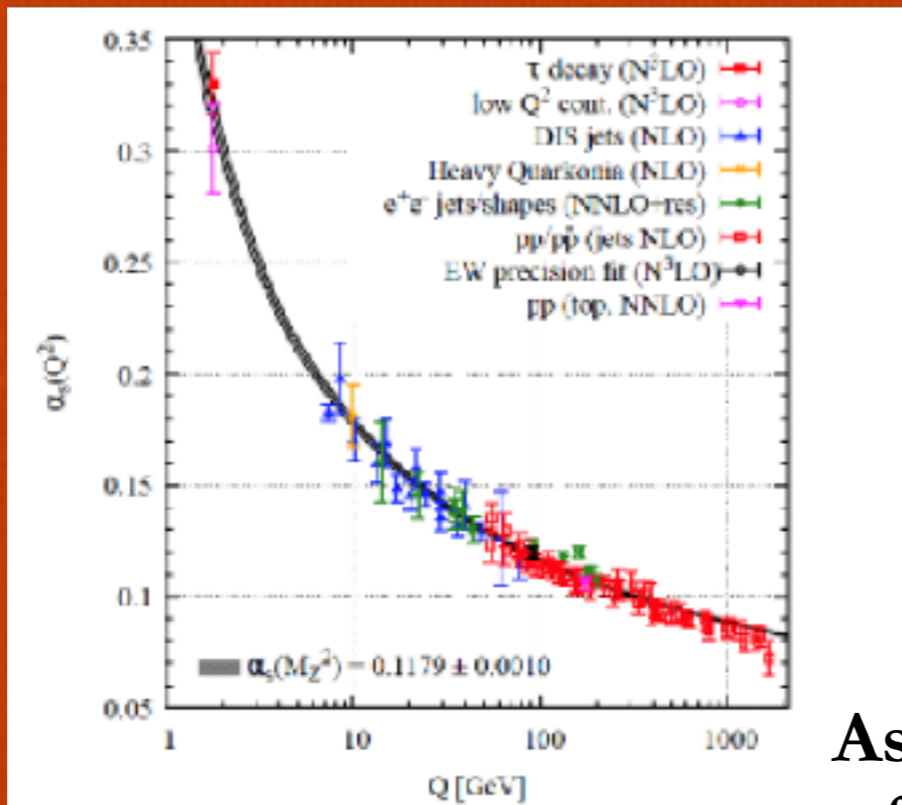
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Overview

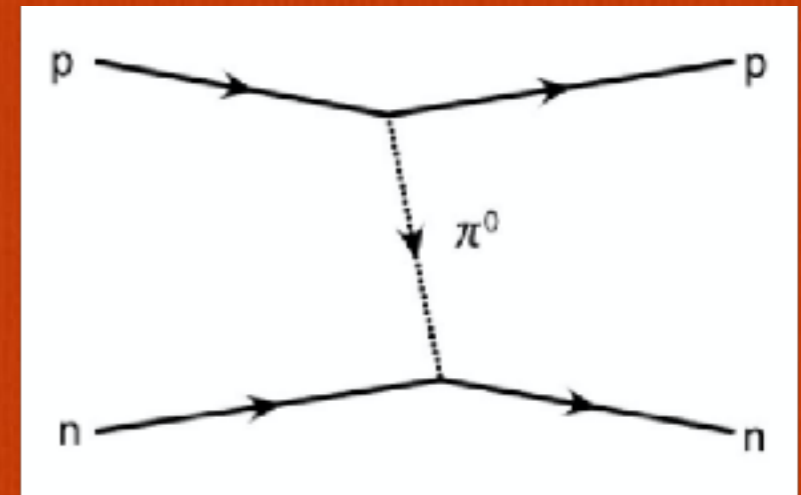
- Equation of state of dense nuclear matter as possibly present inside neutron stars can needs as input two- and three-body interactions.
- If we consider that neutron stars can contain nucleon and hyperons, it is hence necessary to study the hyperon-nucleon and hyperon-hyperon interactions.
- Today we learn about two-body scattering and femtoscopy at the LHC as tool to study two-body interactions including hyperons and nucleons.

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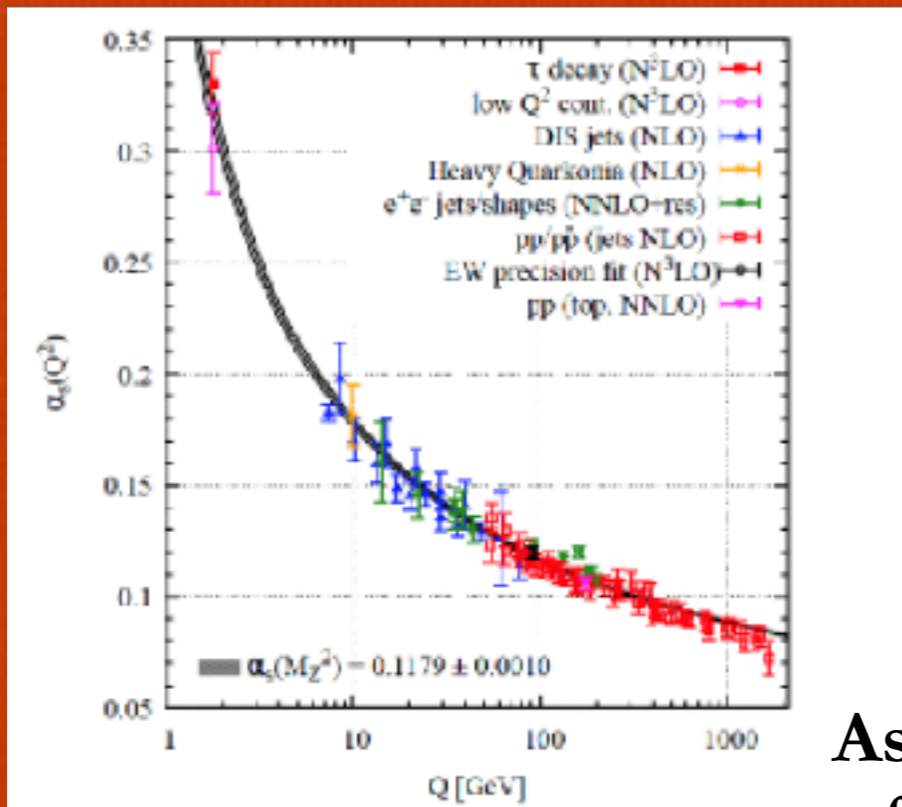
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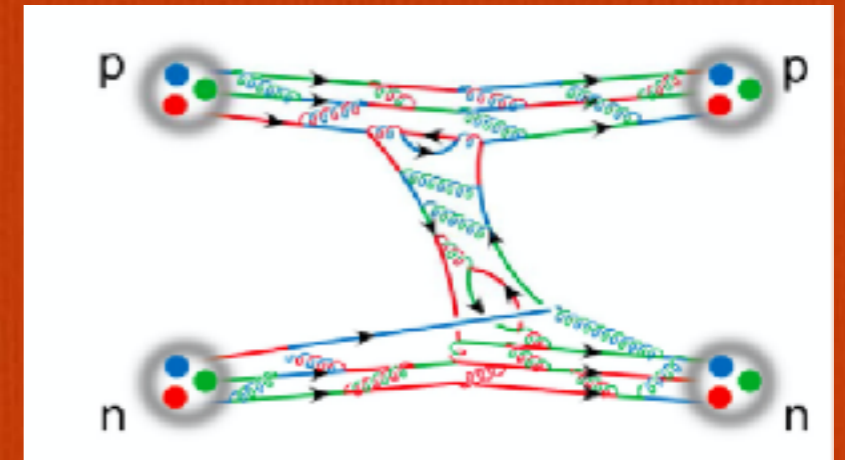
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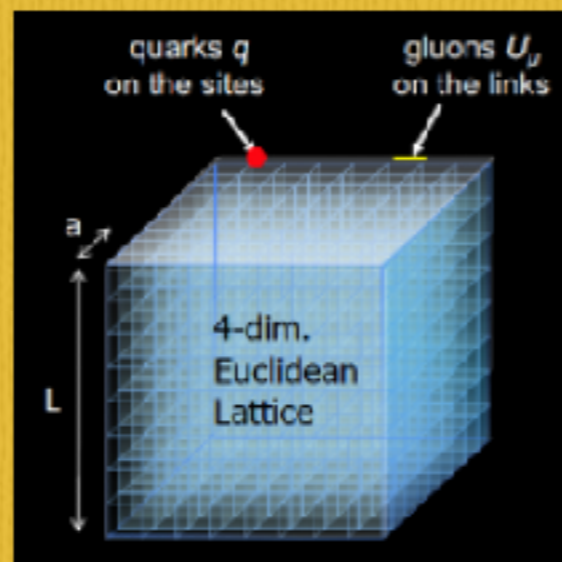
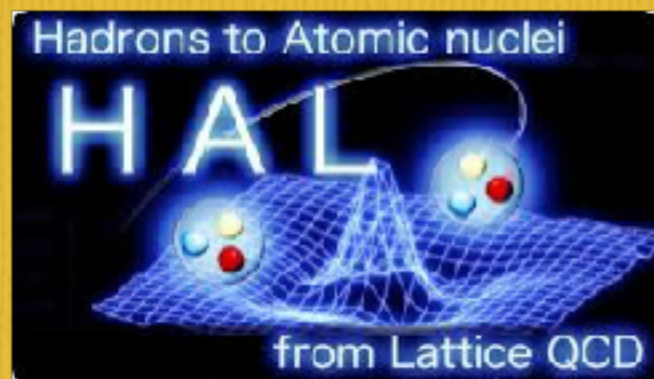
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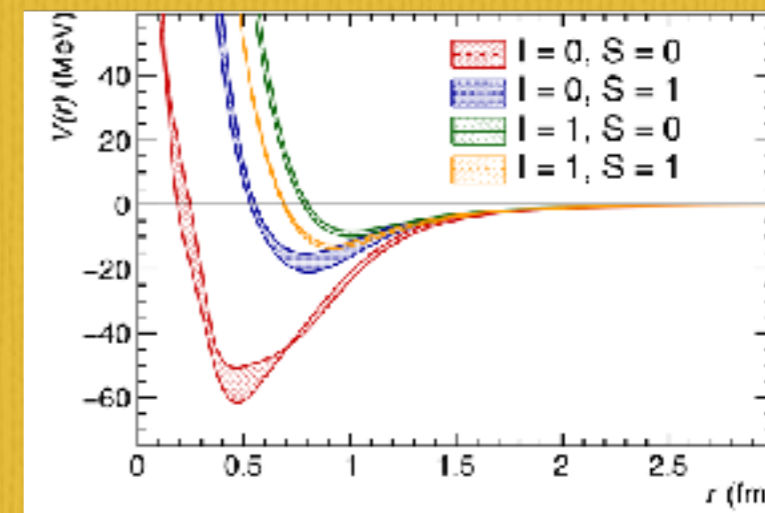
→ Next Step: Understanding of the interaction starting from quark and gluons

Lattice calculations for hyperons interactions

Numerical method to extract the hadron-hadron interactions starting from gluons and quarks as degrees of freedom



Local potentials for the Nucleon- Ξ interactions



HAL QCD Coll., Nucl. Phys. A 998 (2020) 121737

T. Hatsuda, K. Sasaki et al.

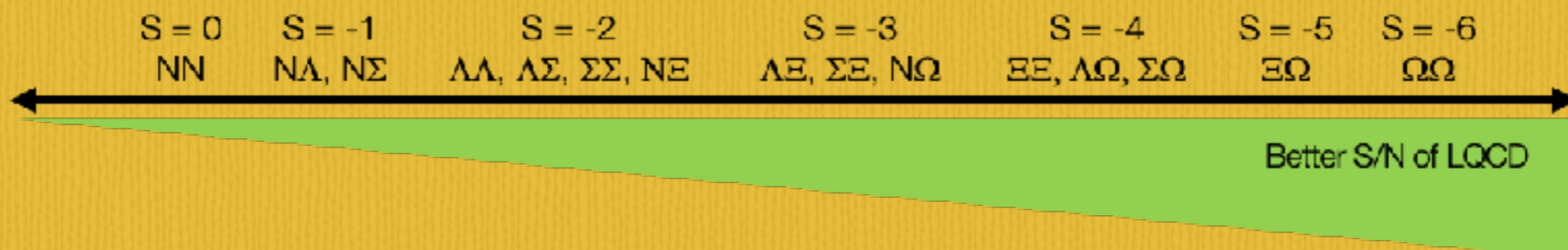
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$$a = 0.085 \text{ fm}$$

$$L = 8.1 \text{ fm}$$

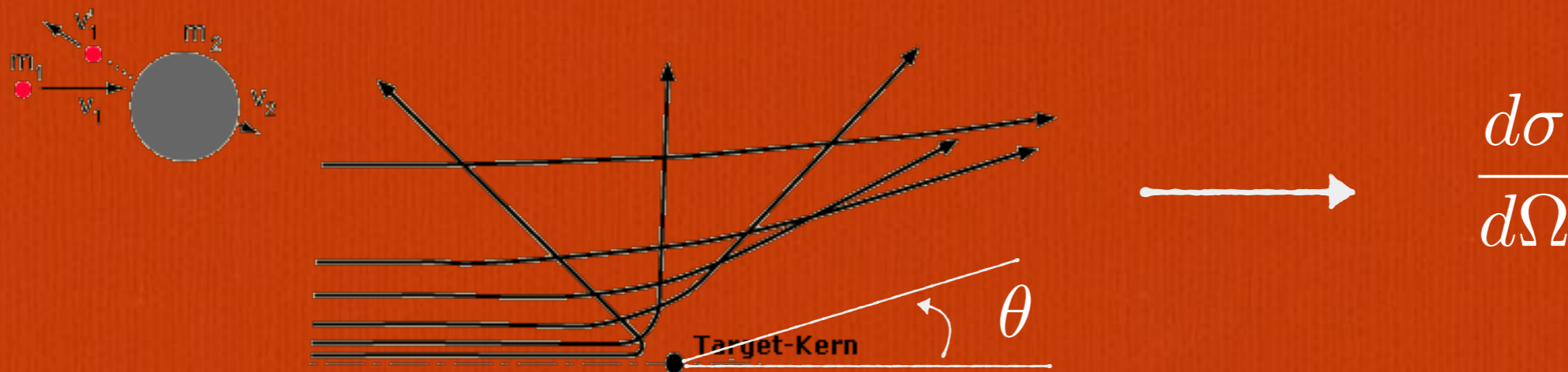
$$m_\pi = 146 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$m_K = 525 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$



Scattering Data and Interaction Parameters

Scattering experiments -> Extraction fo the differential cross section



Expansion in partial waves:

$$\sigma = \frac{4\pi}{k^2} \sum_l (2l + 1) \sin^2(\delta_l).$$

What are these shifts?

Partial Wave Decomposition and Shifts

If we set, $\psi(\mathbf{r}) \simeq e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} + f(\theta)\frac{e^{ikr}}{r}$

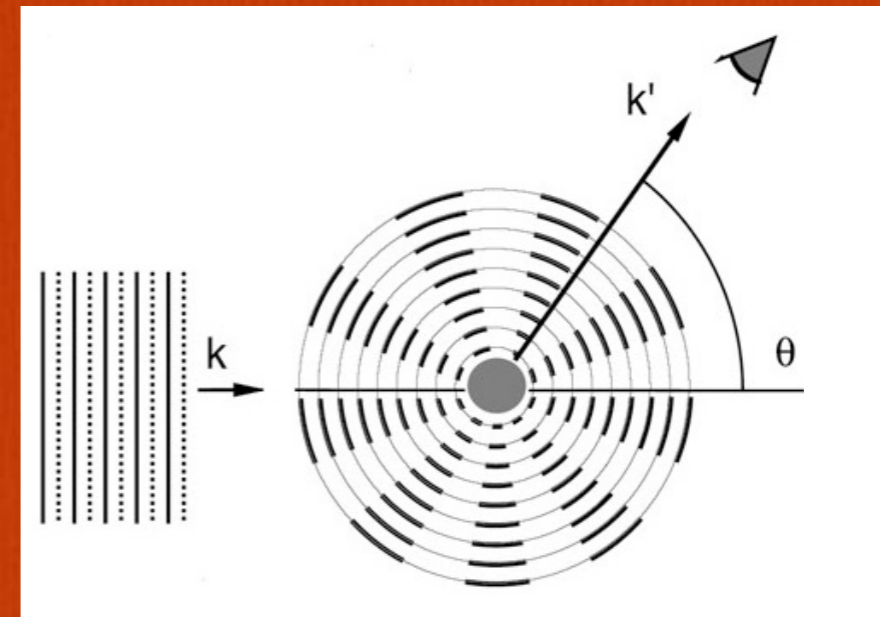
$$f(\theta) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (2l+1)f_l(k)P_l(\cos\theta)$$

$$f_l(k) = \frac{e^{2i\delta_l(k)} - 1}{2ik}$$

$\delta_l(k)$ Phase Shifts

$f(\theta)$ of the scattered wave clearly depends on the interacting potential between beam and target.

By measuring the scattering cross-section one can infer on the scattering parameters and determine the interaction



Determination of the phase shifts

How to determine δ_l ?

$$\psi(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} R_{\ell}(r) P_{\ell}(\cos \theta)$$

Expansion in Legendre Polynomials for the wave function and the scattering amplitude $f(\theta)$

$$[\partial_r^2 - U(r) + k^2] u(r) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} u(a_0) &= \sin(ka_0 + \delta_0) = \sin(ka_0) \cos \delta_0 + \cos(ka_0) \sin \delta_0 \\ &= \sin \delta_0 [\cot \delta_0 \sin(ka_0) + \cos(ka_0)] \simeq \sin \delta_0 [ka_0 \cot \delta_0 + 1] \end{aligned}$$

$$a_0 = - \lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{k} \tan \delta_0(k).$$

For $l=0$

Scattering Length

$$a_0 = - \lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{k} \tan \delta_0(k).$$

$l=0 \rightarrow$ s-wave only!!

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}} = \frac{4\pi}{k^2} \sin^2 \delta_0(k) \stackrel{k \rightarrow 0}{\simeq} \frac{4\pi}{k^2} \frac{(ka_0)^2}{1 + (ka_0)^2} \simeq 4\pi a_0^2$$

The scattering length characterizes the **EFFECTIVE** size of the target

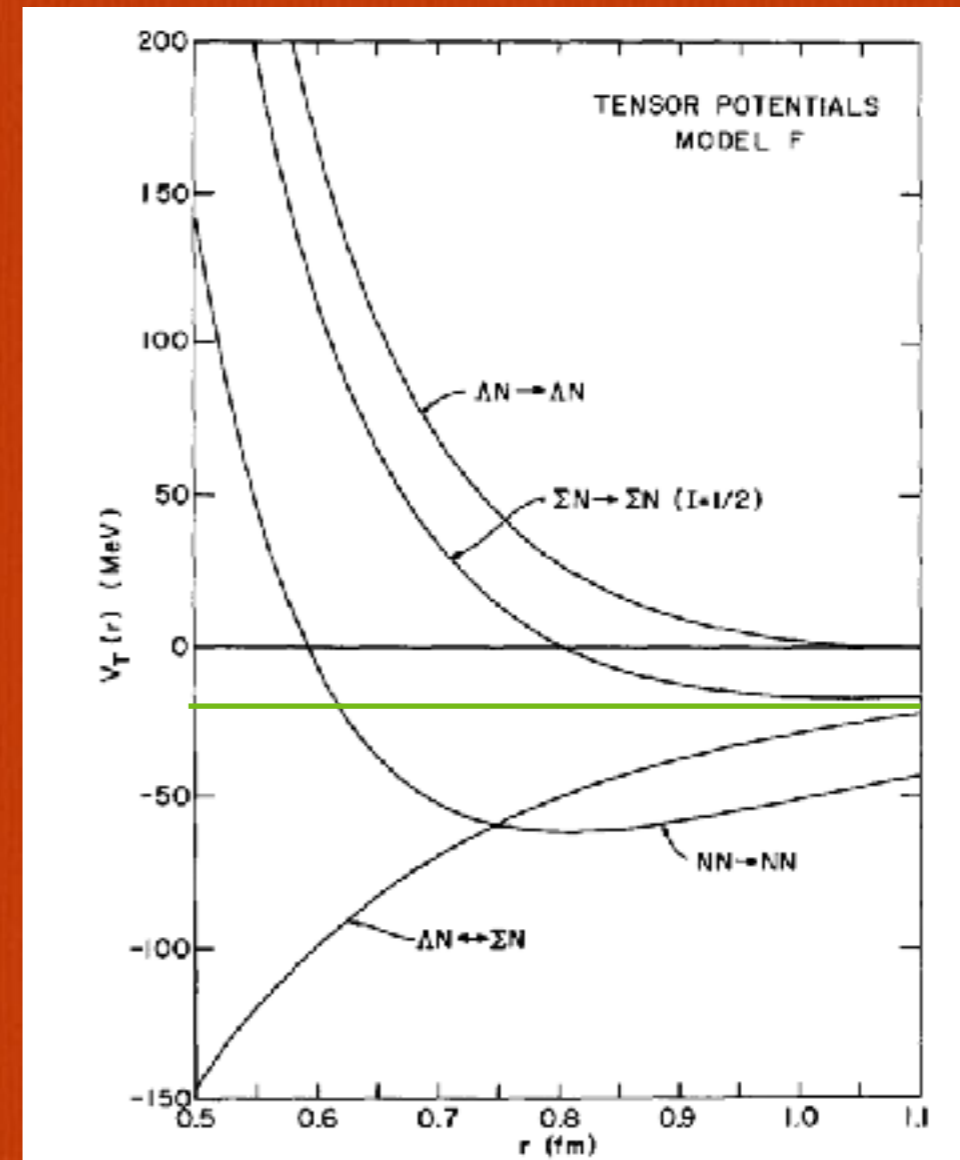
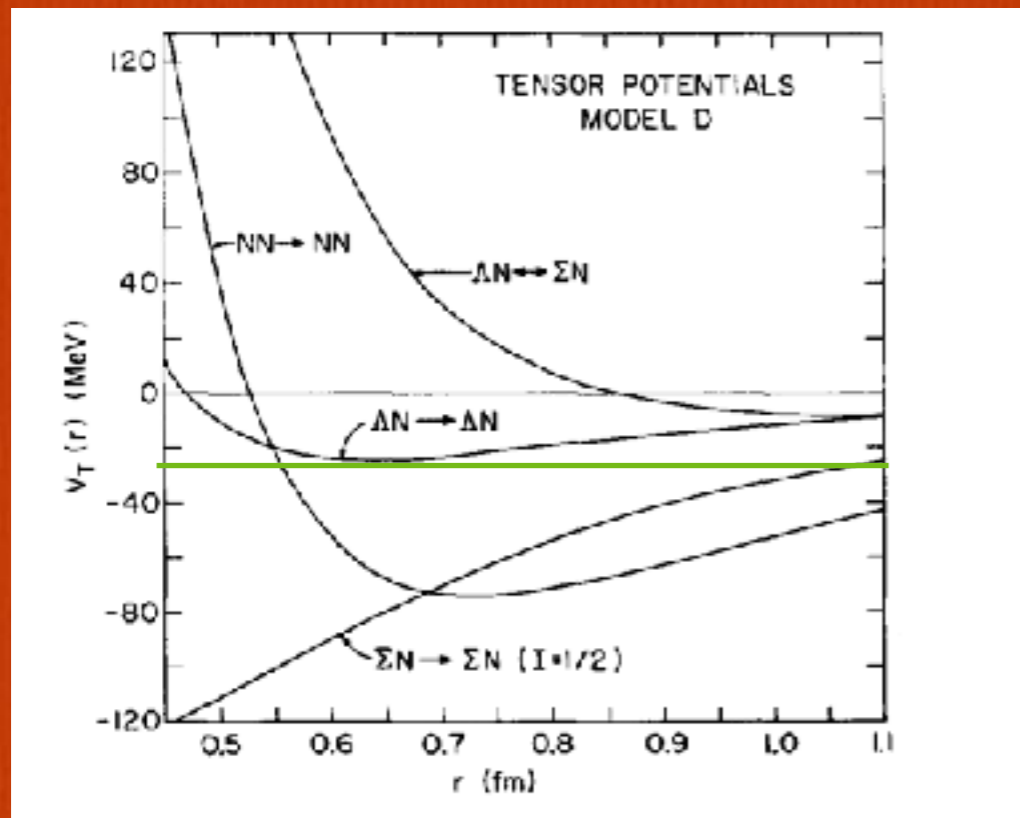
Effective range d_0 is used to define the range of the interaction

If we know $U(r)$ we can solve the Schrödinger equation and determine the scattering parameters and compare this to the scattering data to see if it works :)

This is a simple way of treating the problem with a local potential that depends only from the distance between the two particles

Comparison of the N-N and Y-N Interactions

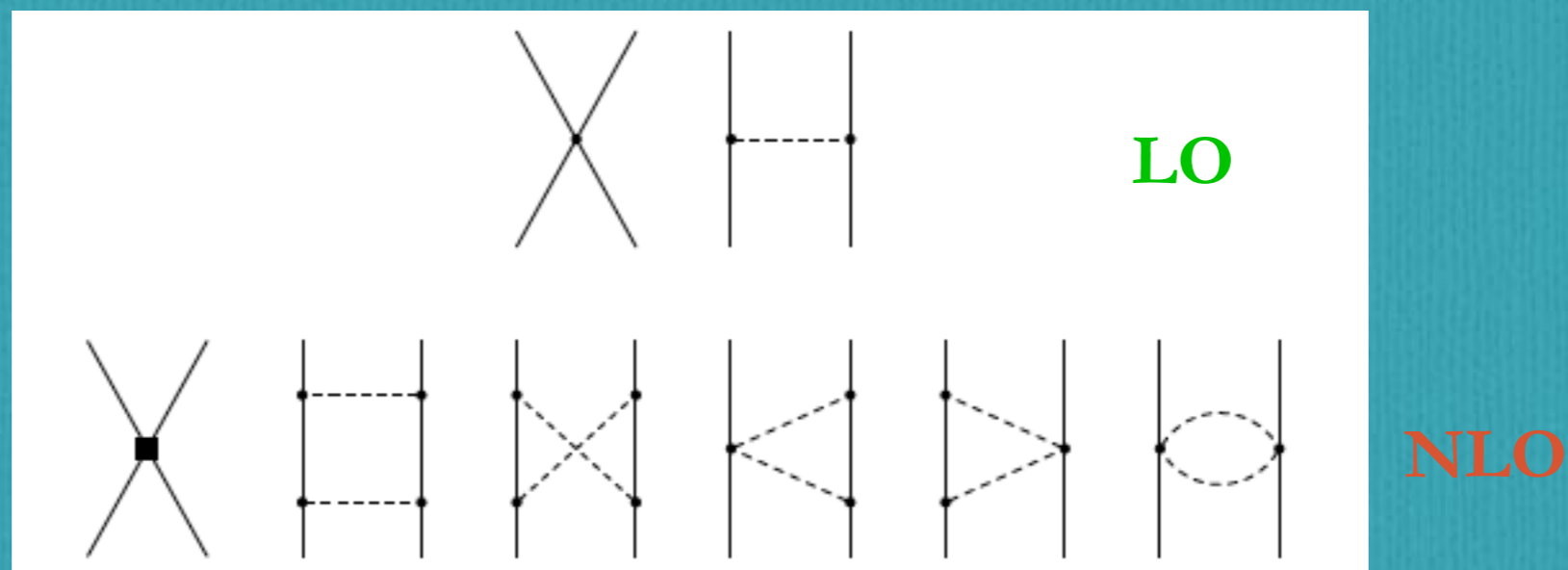
Progress in particle and nuclear Physics
Vol. 12, 1984 Pages 171-239



$U(r) \rightarrow$ plug it in the Schrödinger equation \rightarrow solve it \rightarrow extract scattering parameters \rightarrow calculate cross-sections and compare to scattering data

Calculation for Hyperon-Nucleon Scattering

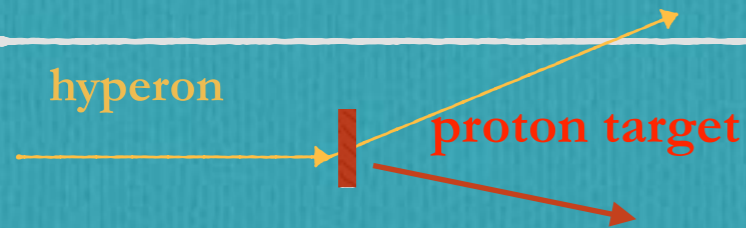
- **Baryon-baryon** interaction in **SU(3) EFT** à la **Weinberg** (1990)
- **Advantages:**
 - **Power counting**
 - systematic improvement by going to higher order
 - Possibility to derive **two- and three baryon forces** and **external current operators** in a **consistent way**
- **degrees of freedom:** **baryon** octet, **pseudoscalar Goldstone boson** octet
 - **pseudoscalar-meson exchanges**
 - **contact** terms – represent **unresolved** short-distance dynamics



LO: H. Polinder, J.H., U. Meißner, NPA 779 (2006) 244

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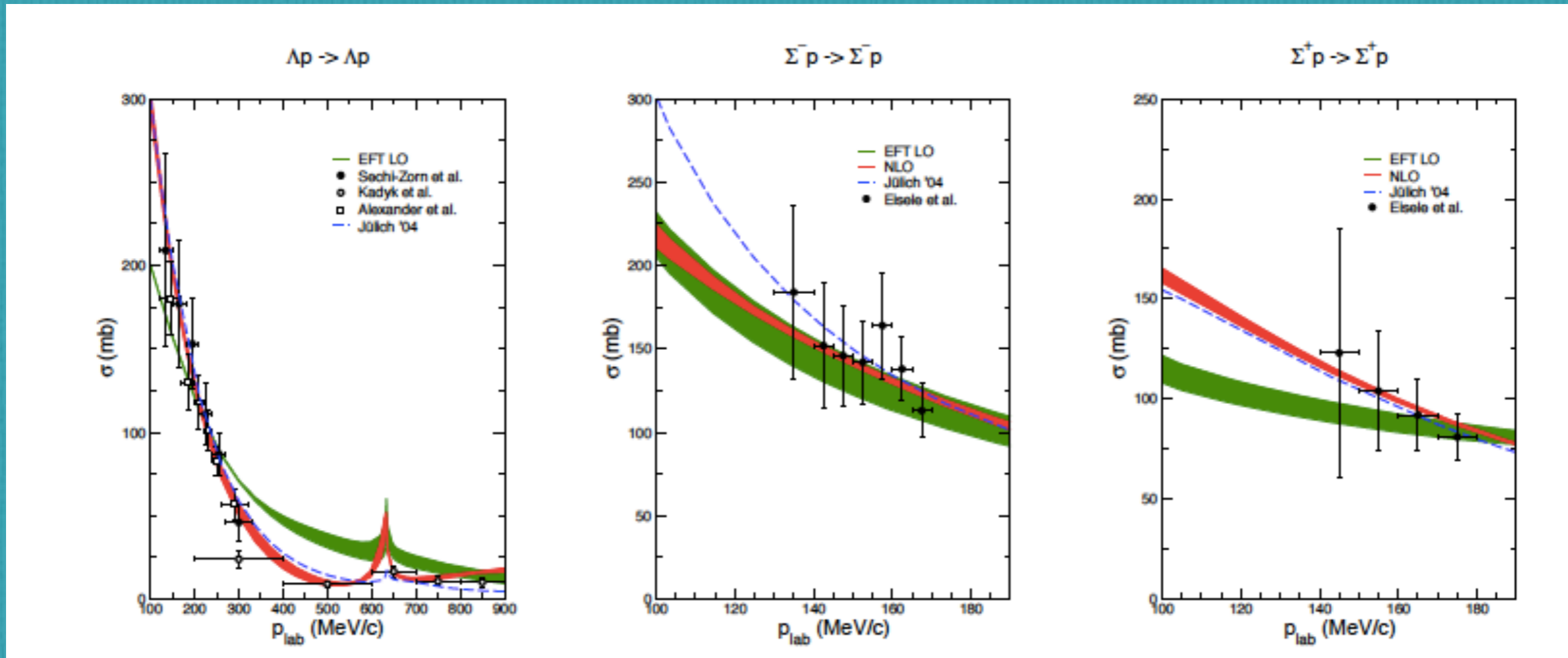
Hyperon-nucleon scattering results



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Jülich '04: J.H., U.-G. Meißner, PRC 72 (2005) 044005



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S=1

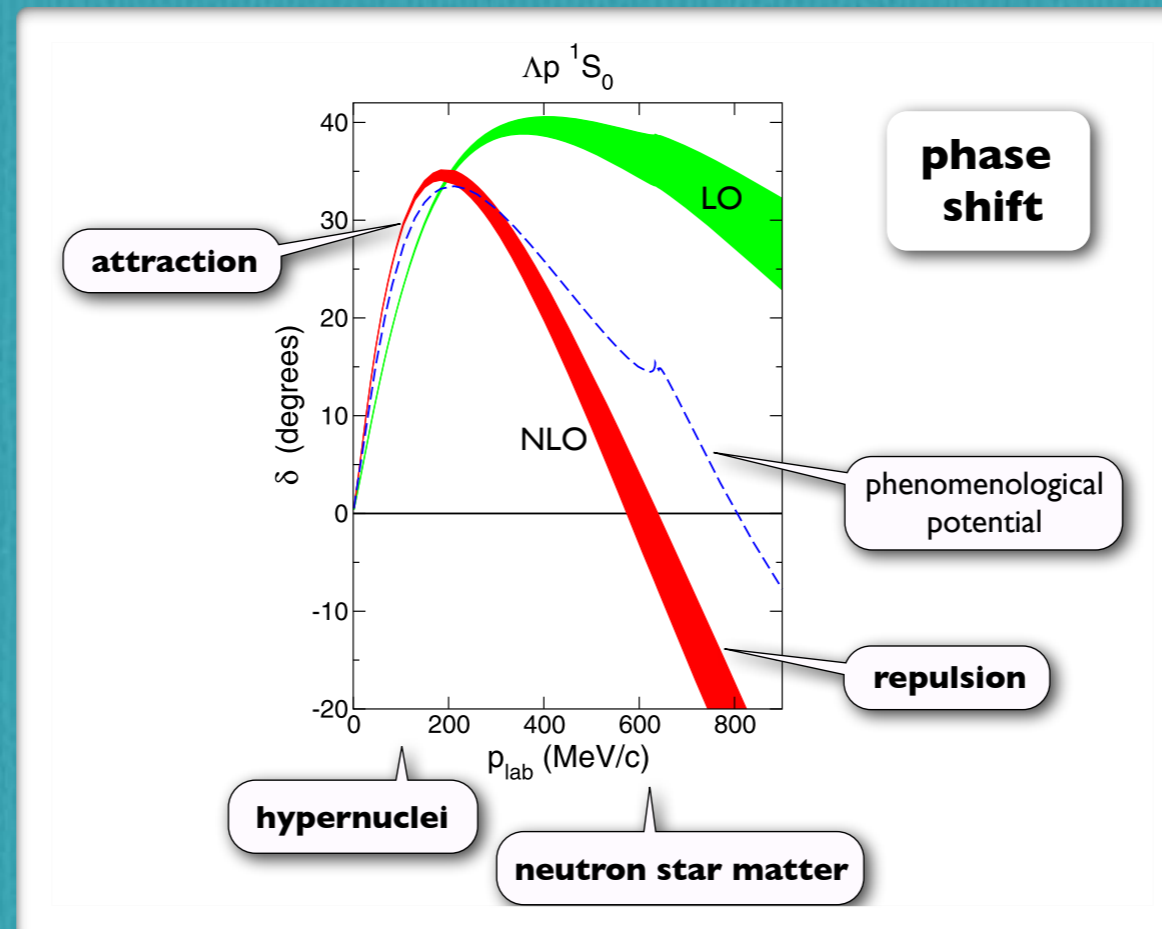


S=0



More about the interaction

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



It all depends upon the Λ -N and Λ -NN interaction and whether or not it has a repulsive core

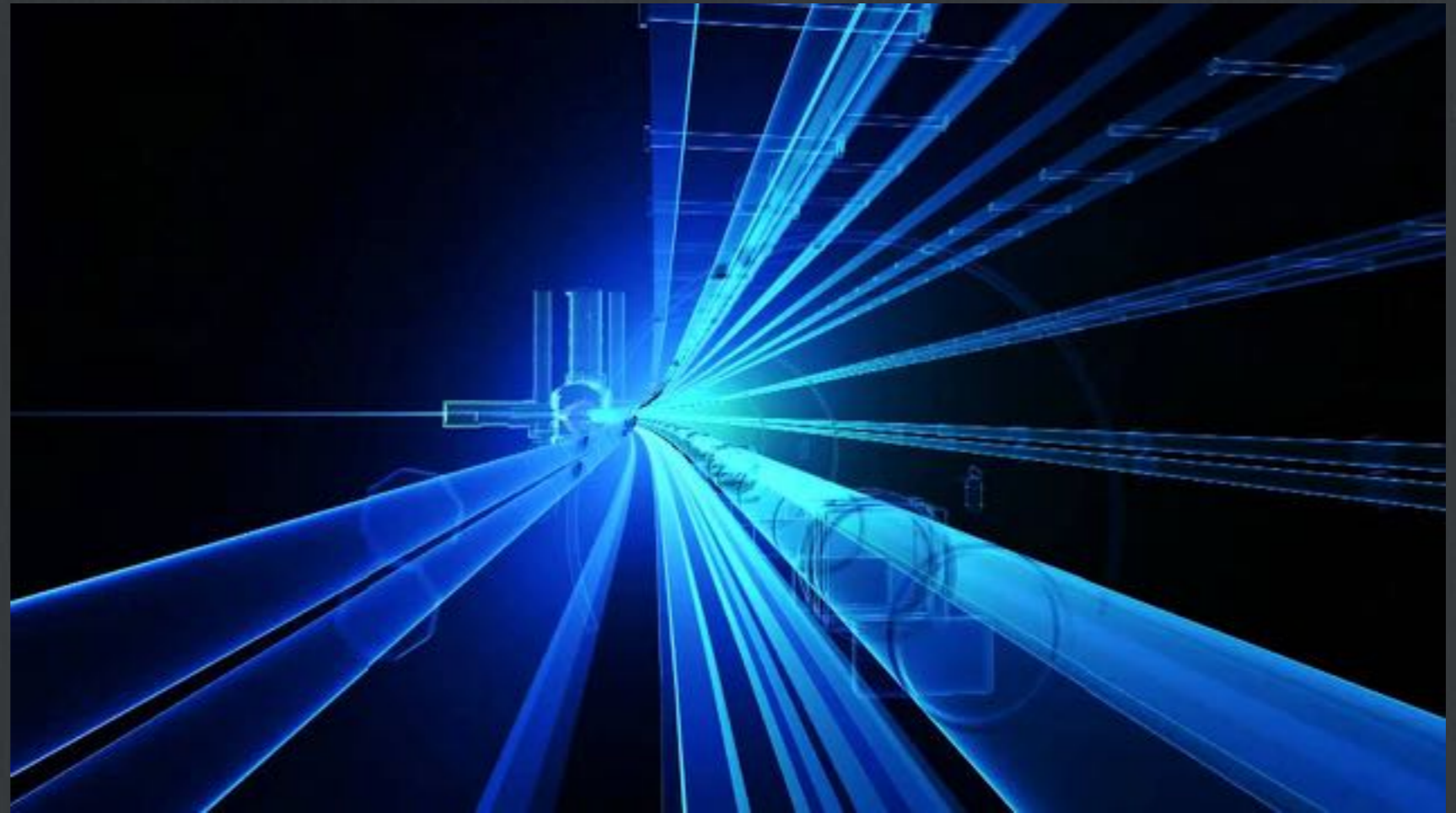
This repulsive core could stiffen again the EOS allowing for heavy neutron stars

Scattering data for hyperon-nucleon are very scarce!

Which other data can constrain the theory?

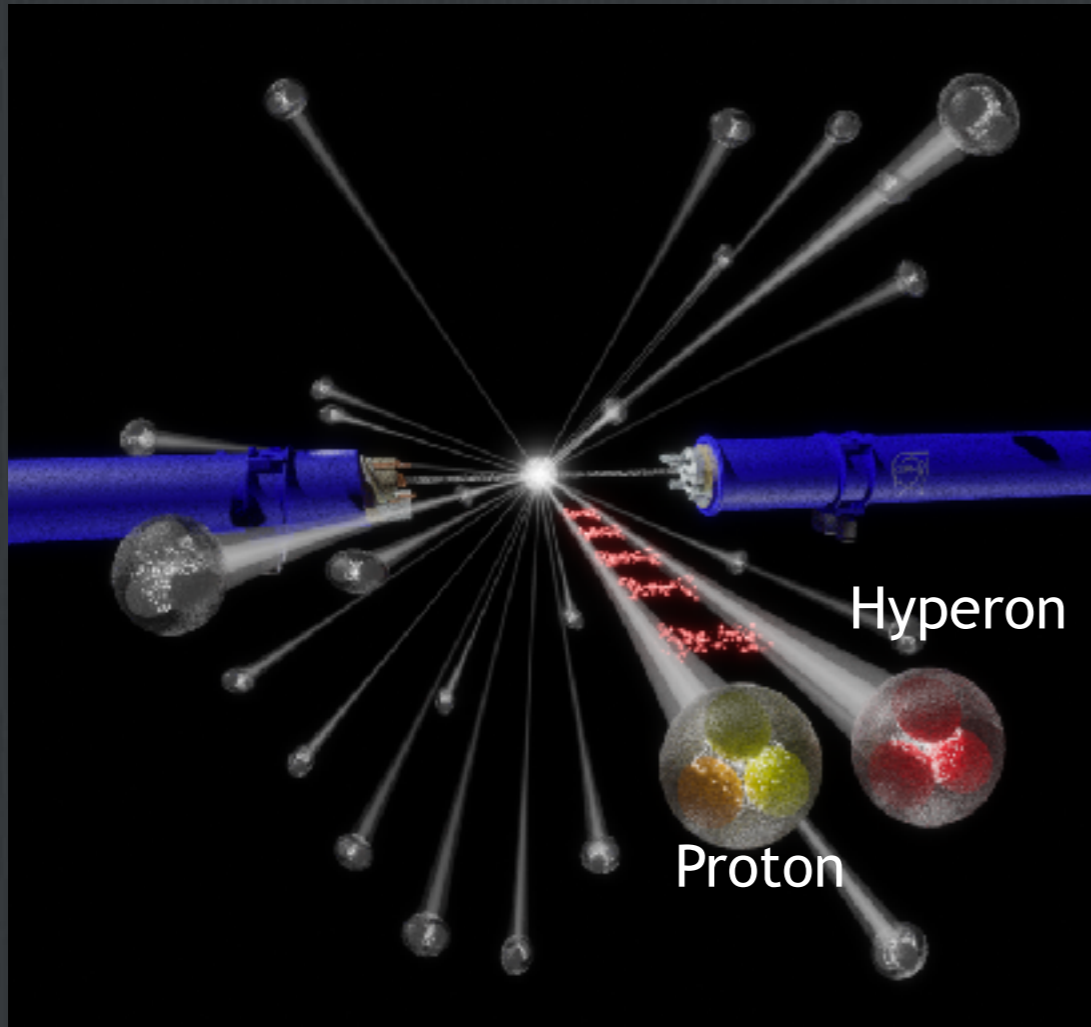
How can we solve this puzzle?

Large Hadron Collider LHC
The largest and fastest accelerator in the world



Particle production and decays

Courtesy D. Chinellato



The energy of the accelerated protons is (partly) converted into mass.

$$E = mc^2$$

20-50 new particles are created from each collision.

Protons are stable, hyperons decay and the daughter particles are measured.

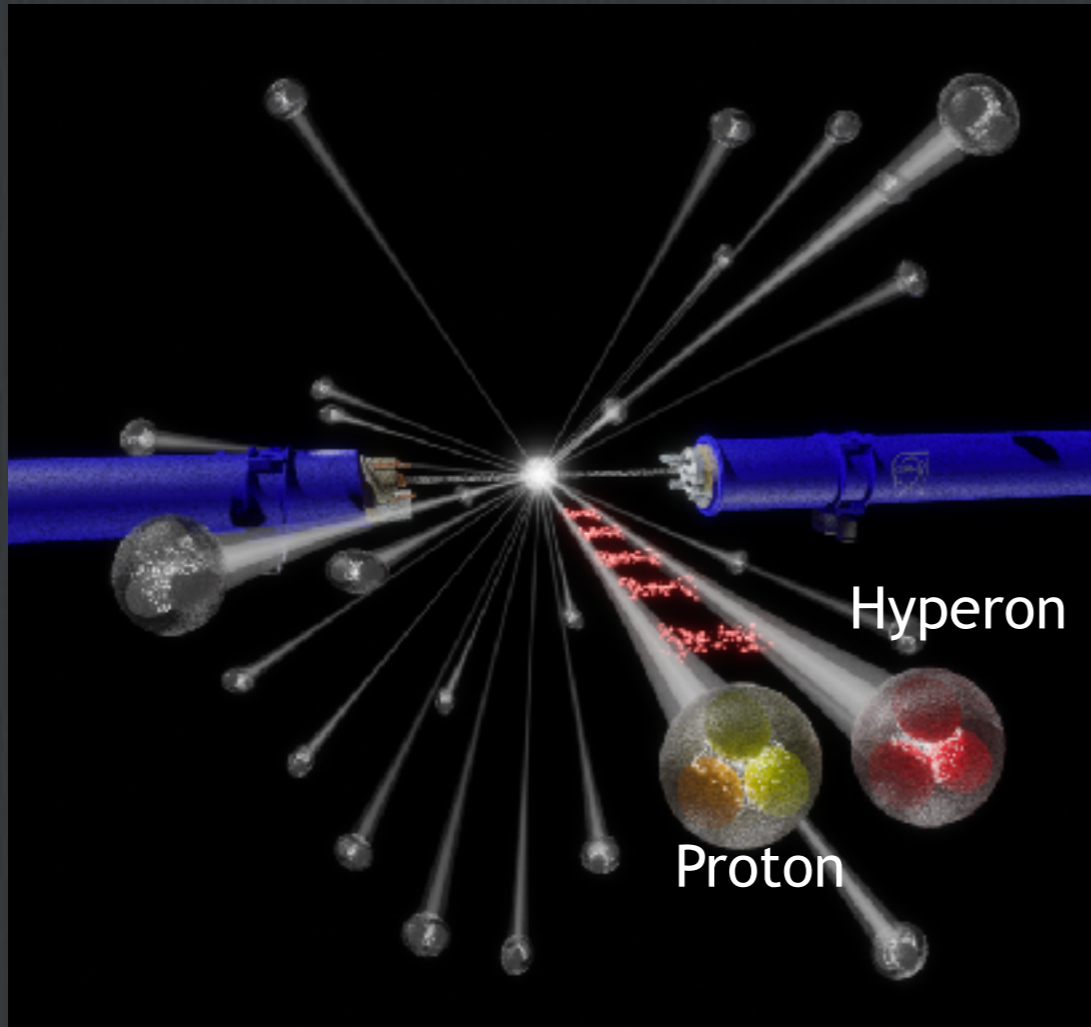
In general:

The trajectory, velocity and mass of each charged particle must be measured!!!

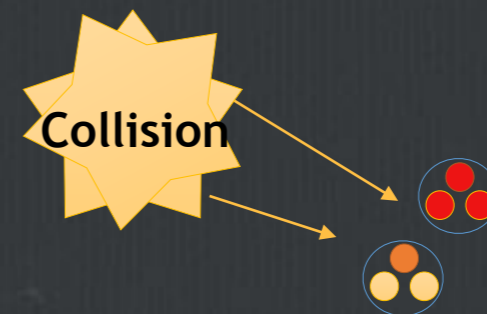
1000 'pictures' per second!

How can we measure the interaction?

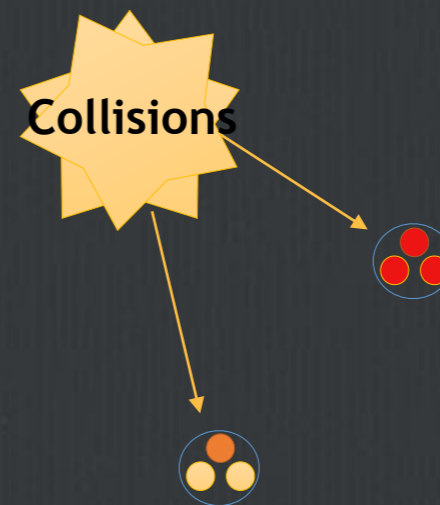
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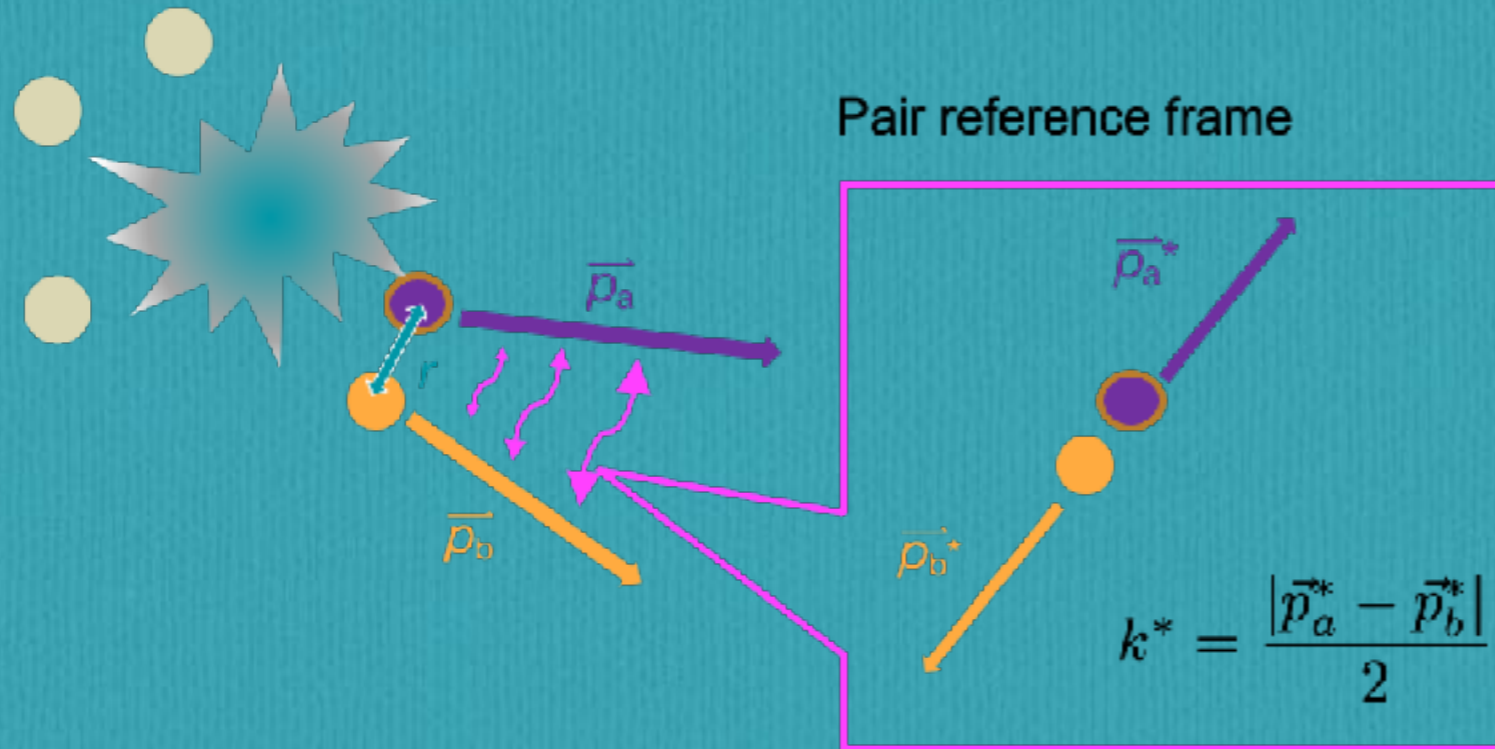
Attractive interaction



Repulsive interaction



Potentials and Correlation Functions



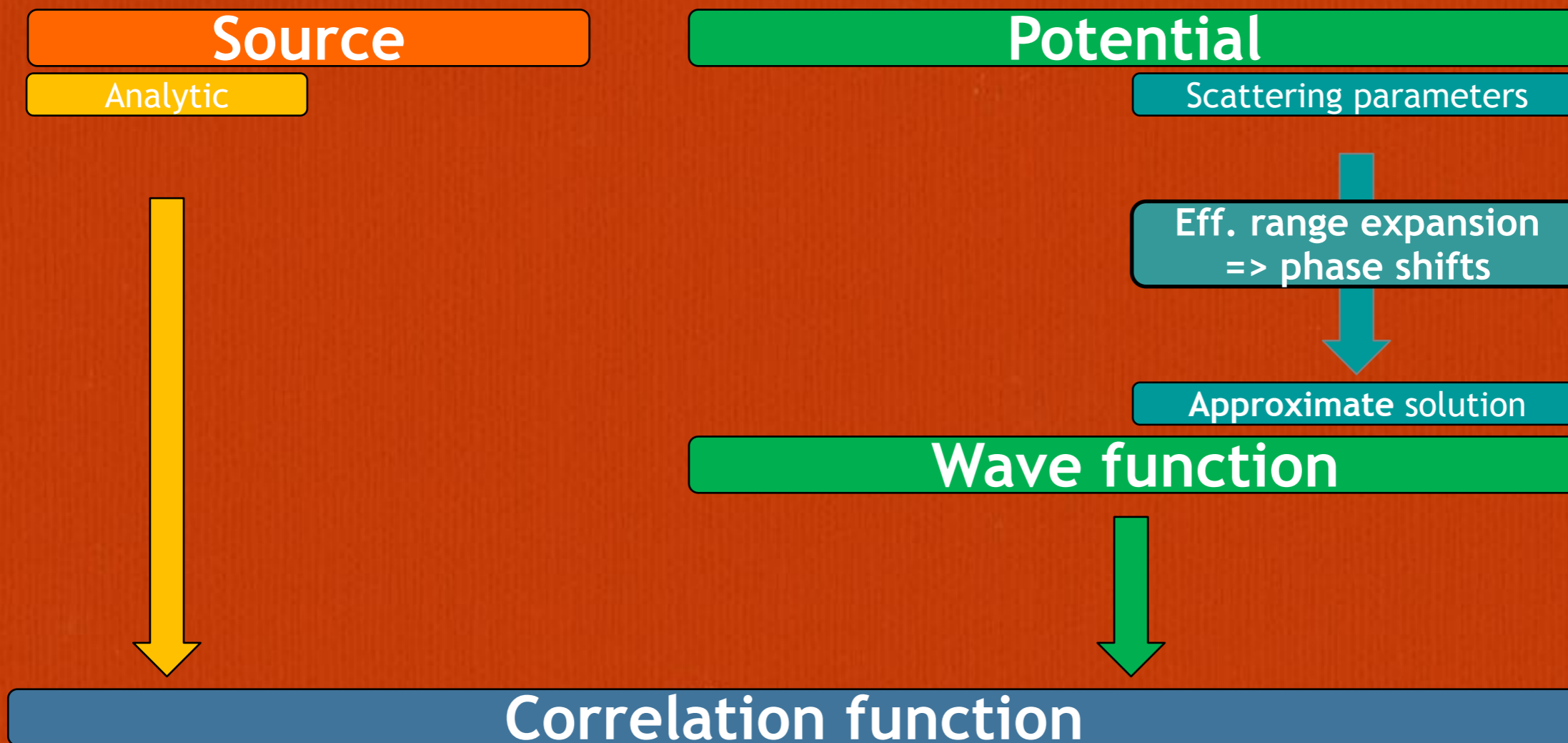
Schrödinger Equation:

$V(r) \rightarrow |\psi(\vec{k}^*, \vec{r})|^2$ relative wave function for the pair

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

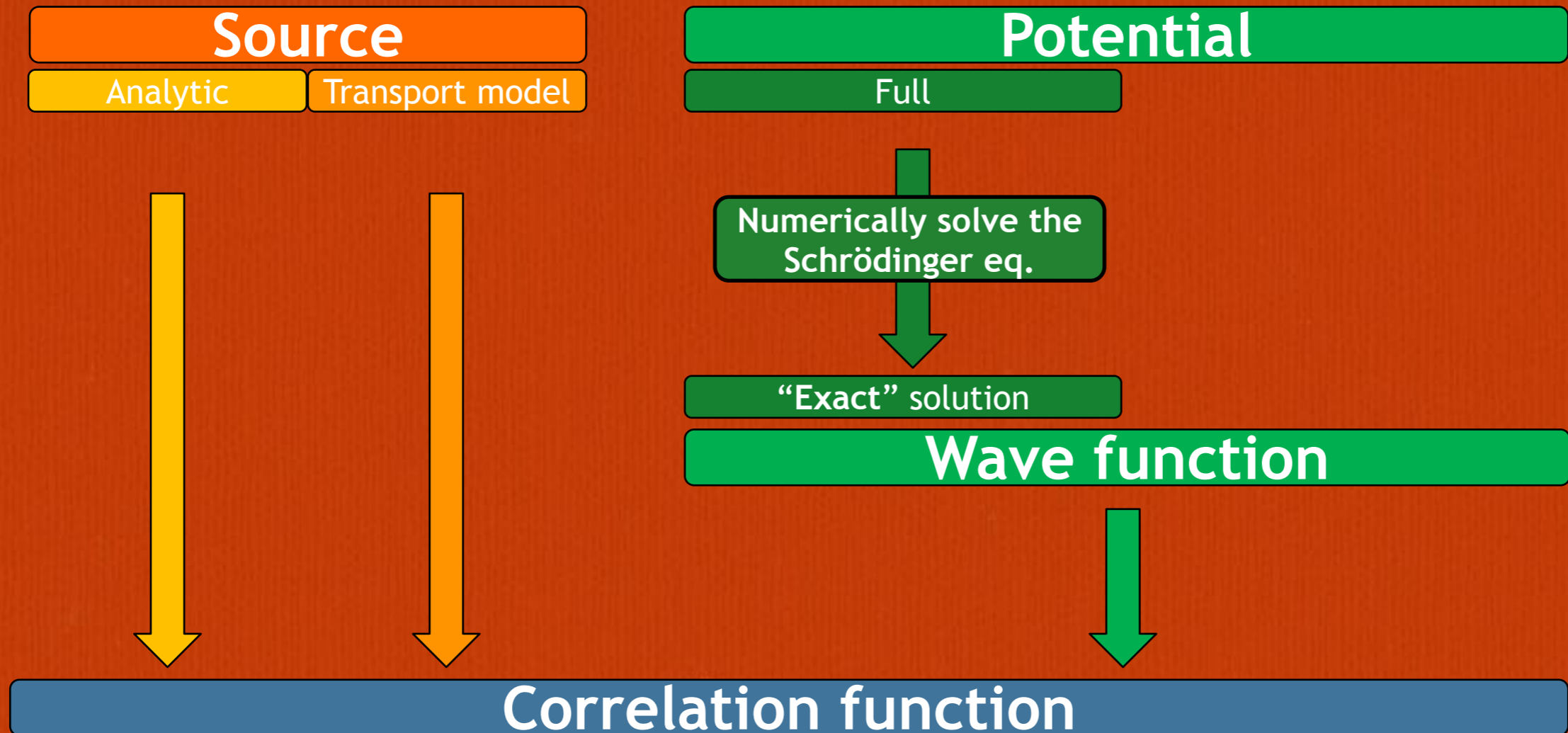
Emission source Two-particle wave function

S. E. Koonin et al. PLB 70 (1977)



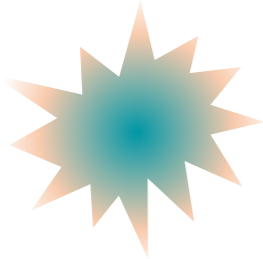
CATS (Correlation Analysis Tools using the Schrödinger equation)

D. Mihaylov, L. Fabbietti et al. EPJC 78 (2018)



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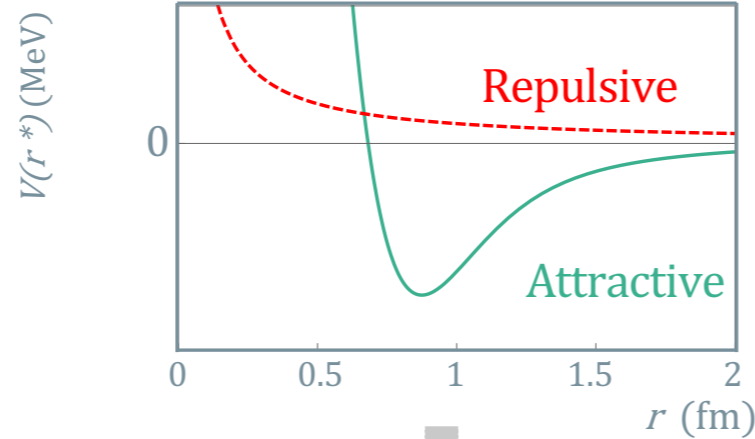
Source parametrisation



Gaussian source

$$S(r) = (4\pi r_0^2)^{-3/2} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{4r_0^2}\right)$$

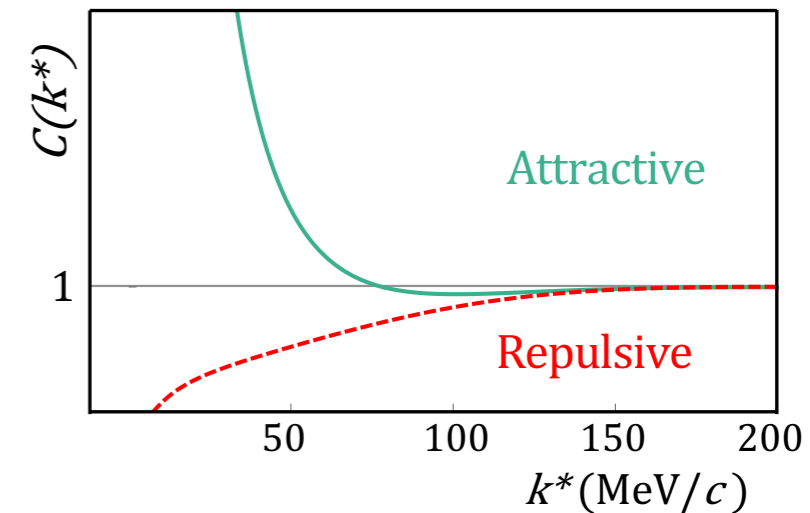
Interacting potential



Schrödinger equation**

Two-particle wave function $|\Psi(k^*, r)|$

Correlation function



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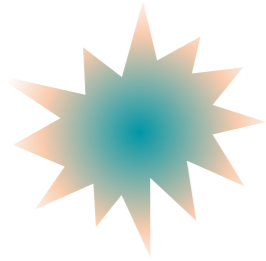
$$C(k^*) = \int S(r) |\Psi(\vec{k}^*, \vec{r})|^2 d^3r$$

Emission source

>1 if the interaction is attractive
= 1 if there is no interaction
<1 if the interaction is repulsive

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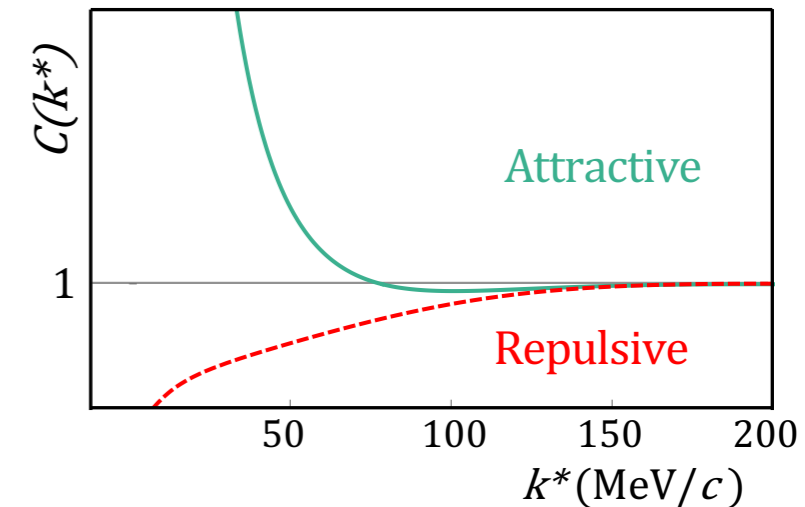
Scattering parameters**

S = spin state
 d_0^S = effective range
 f_0^S = scattering length

$$f(k^*)^S = \left(\frac{1}{f_0^S} + \frac{1}{2} d_0^S k^{*2} - ik^* \right)^{-1}$$



Correlation function



**R. Lednicky and V. L. Lyuboshits Sov. J. Nucl. Phys. 35 (1982)

$$C(k^*) = 1 + \sum_S \rho_S \left[\frac{1}{2} \left| \frac{f(k^*)^S}{r_0} \right|^2 \left(1 - \frac{d_0^S}{2\sqrt{\pi}r_0} \right) + \frac{2\Re f(k^*)^S}{\sqrt{\pi}r_0} F_1(2k^*r_0) - \frac{2\Im f(k^*)^S}{\sqrt{\pi}r_0} F_2(2k^*r_0) \right]$$

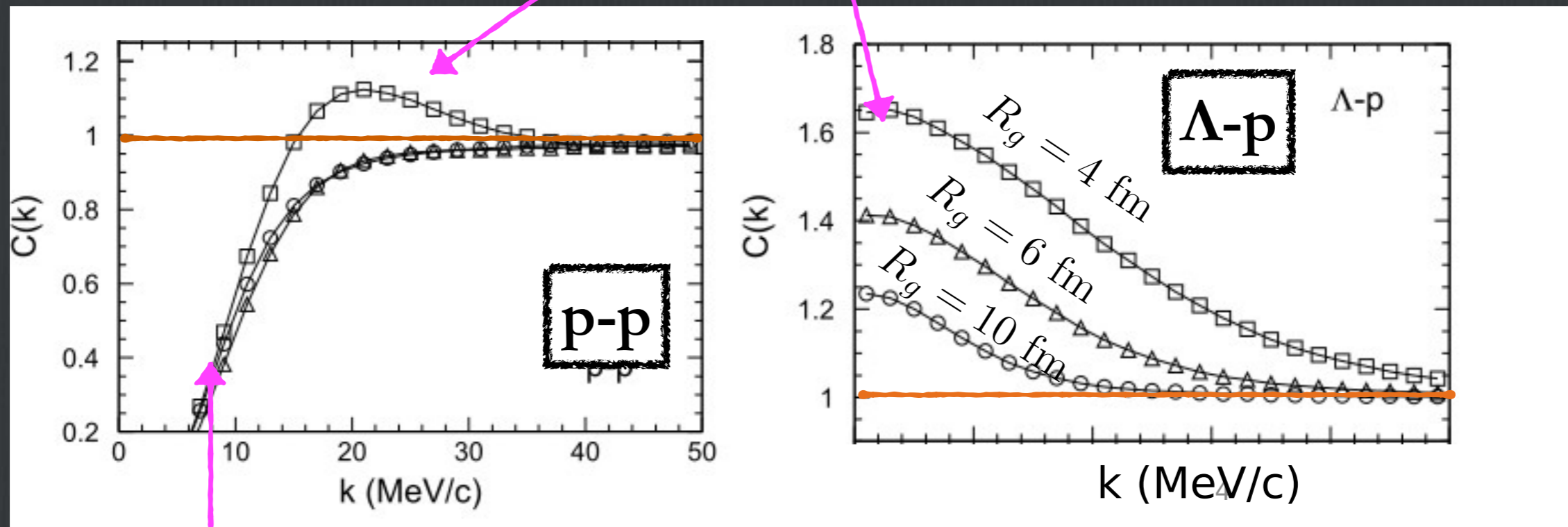
Based on effective range expansion, works well for large sources

Some correlations examples

Examples of Correlations from Calculations

F. Wang and S. Pratt, Phys. Rev. Lett. 83, 3138 (1999).

Strong Attraction $C(k) > 1$



Coulomb Repulsion $C(k) < 1$

Scattering parameters and Correlation Functions (LL model)

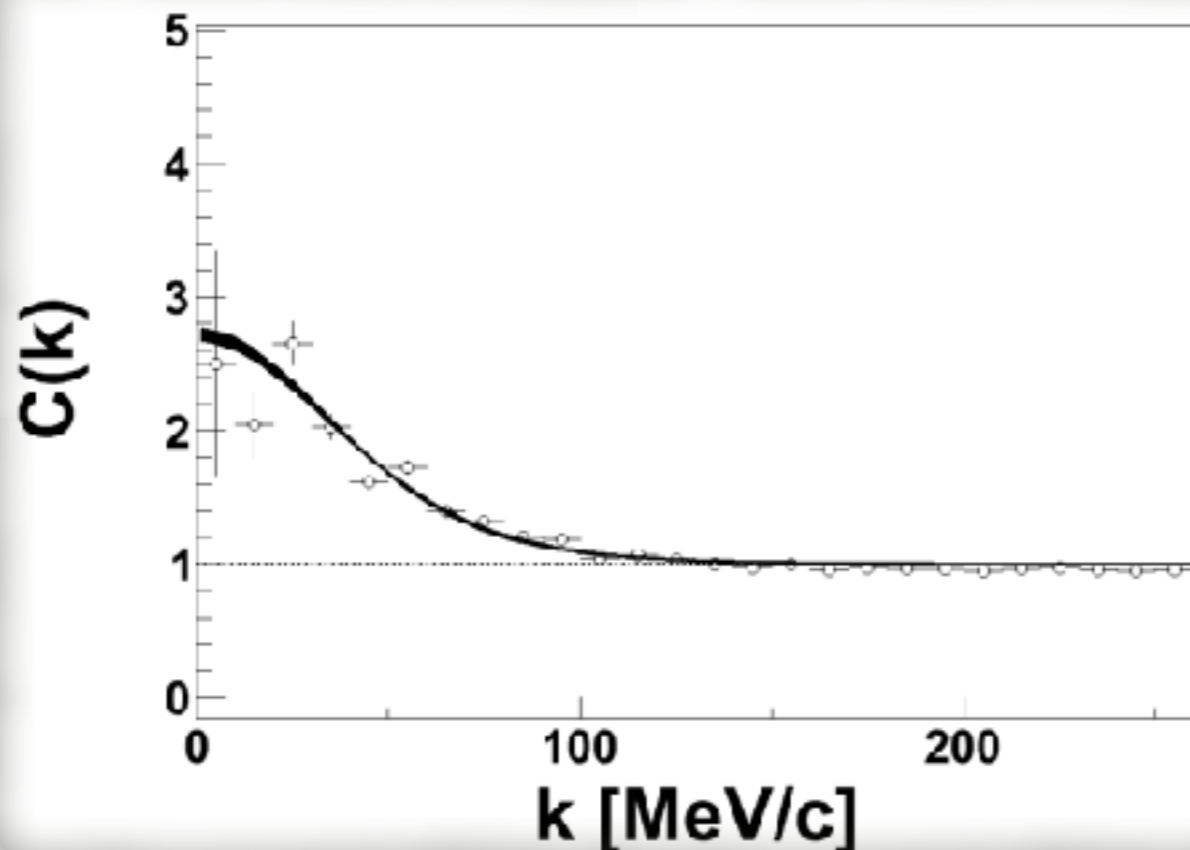
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$$C(k) = 1 + \sum_S \rho_S \left[\frac{1}{2} \left| \frac{f^S(k)}{r_0} \right|^2 \frac{2\mathcal{R}f^S(k)}{\sqrt{\pi}r_0} F_1(Qr_0) - \frac{\mathcal{I}f^S(k)}{r_0} F_2(Qr_0) \right]$$

Sum over all spin configurations

$$f^S(k) = \left(\frac{1}{a_0^S} + \frac{1}{2} d_0^S k^2 - ik \right)^{-1}$$

a_0^S = Scattering length
 d_0^S = Scattering range



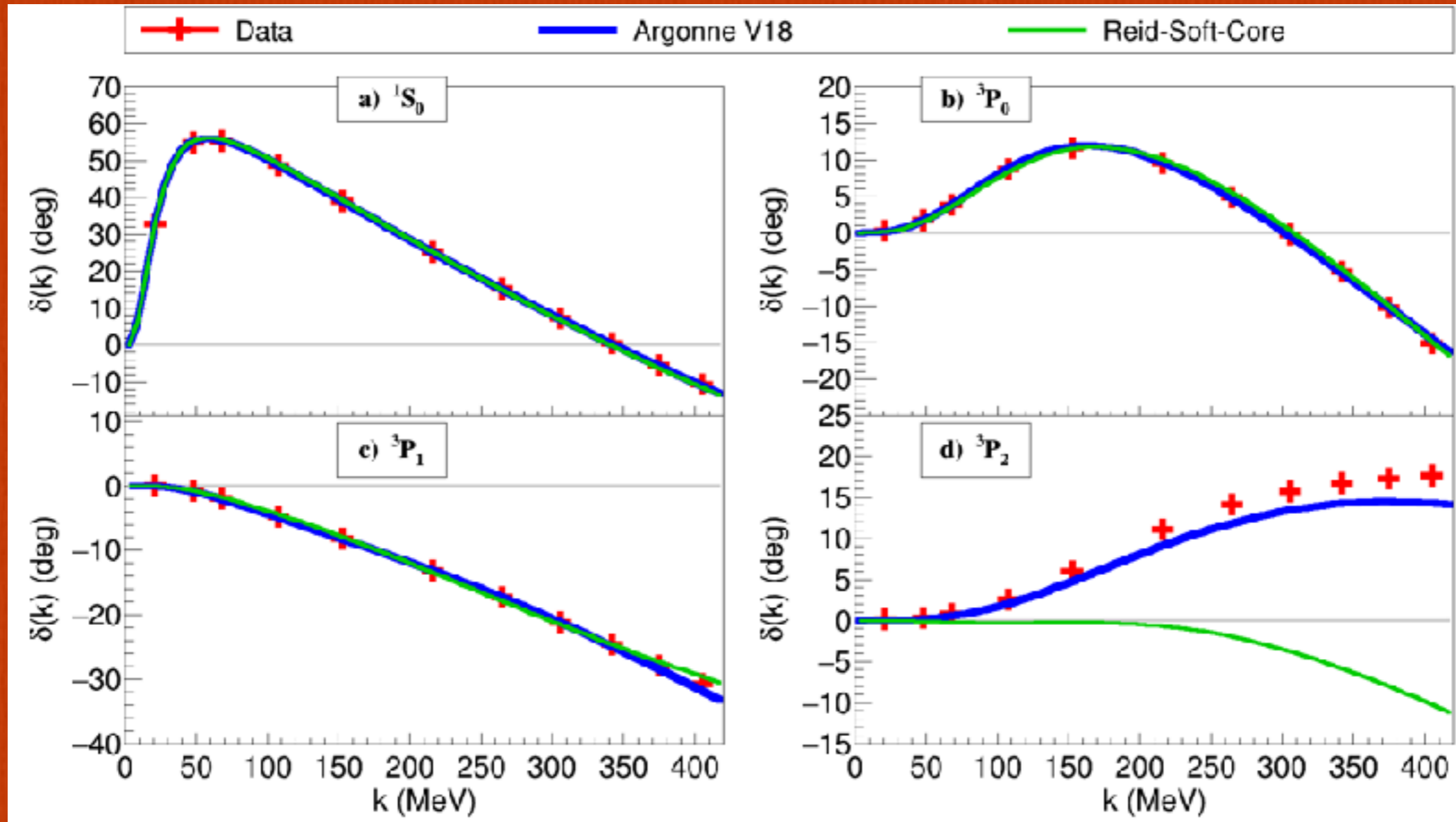
In this analytical formula the Source is assumed to be a Gaussian distribution with width-parameter r_0

$$S(r) = (4\pi r_0^2)^{-3/2} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{4r_0^2}\right)$$

By fitting the measured correlation function one can extract the different parameters.

p-p Interaction

Potentials for the strong interactions tuned to scattering data of NN



p-p Correlation

pp Pairs:

- Coulomb Interaction
- Strong Interaction (AV18)
- Quantum Statistics for Fermions

Koonin Fit Function -> Extraction of the Source Radius R_G

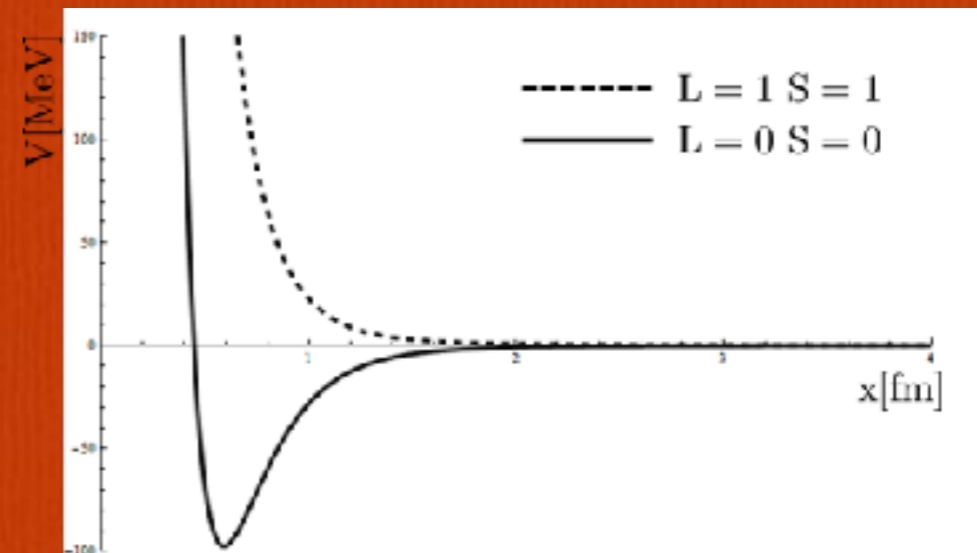
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S. Pratt et al., Nucl. Phys. A 566 (1994) 103c

p-p Strong Pot.

$$C(k) = \int dr^3 \phi_{\text{rel}}^2(r, k) \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{4R_G^2}\right)$$

ϕ_{rel} from Schroedinger Eq. with
Coulomb and Strong interaction



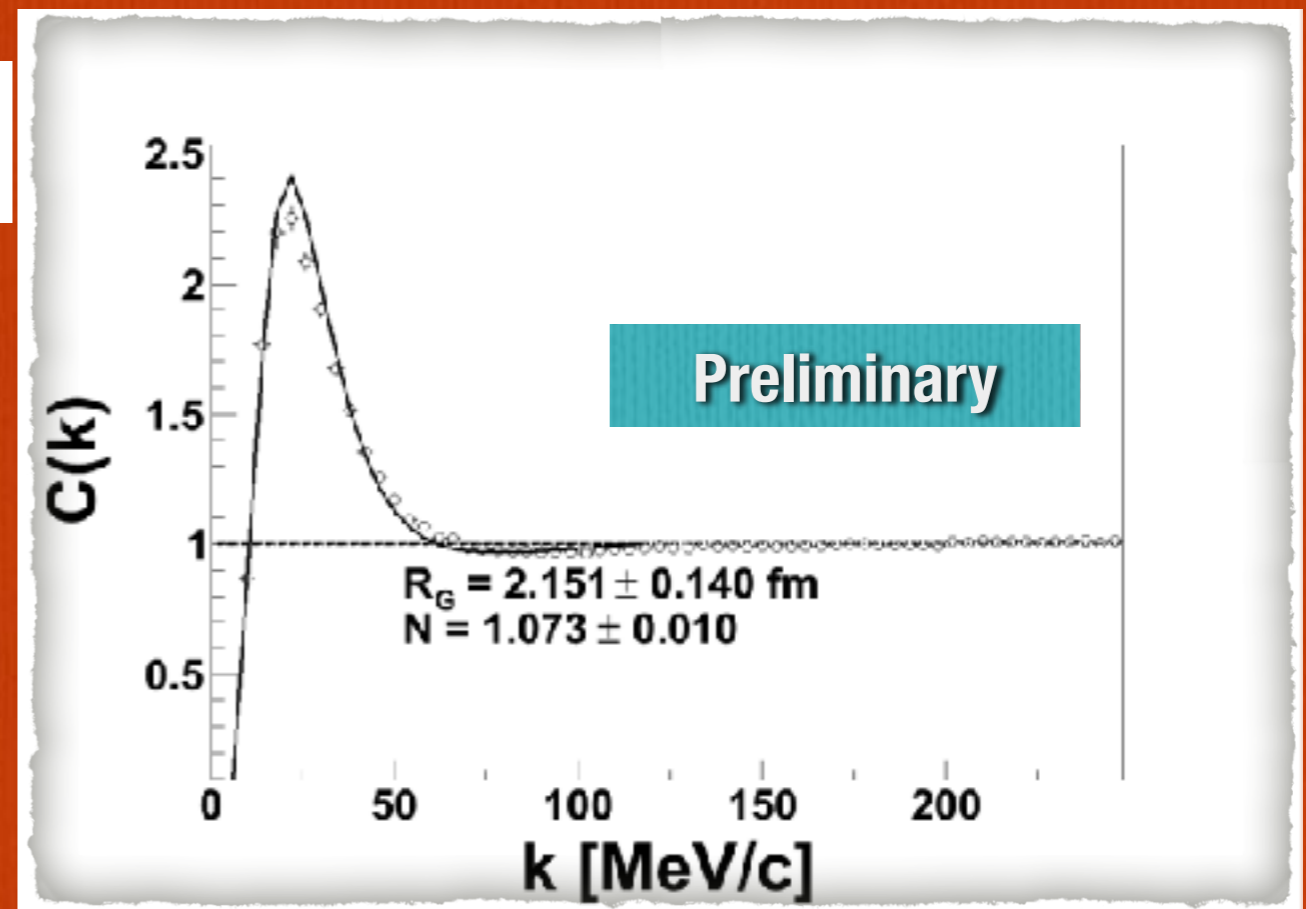
p-p Correlation

p+Nb, 3.5 GeV

Experimental Correlation after:
Close-Tracks rejection
Long-Range Correlation Correction via UrQMD

$$C(k) = \mathcal{N} \frac{N(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2)_{\text{same}}}{N(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2)_{\text{mixed}}} \quad \begin{array}{l} k = \frac{1}{2} |\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2| \\ \mathbf{p}_1 + \mathbf{p}_2 = 0 \end{array}$$

$$C(k) = \int dr^3 \phi_{\text{rel}}^2(r, k) \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{4R_G^2}\right)$$



Example for p-p correlations

F. Wang, and S.Pratt, Phys. Rev. Lett. **83** (1999) 3138

Simulation of the particle
Production and Freeze-
Out coordinates



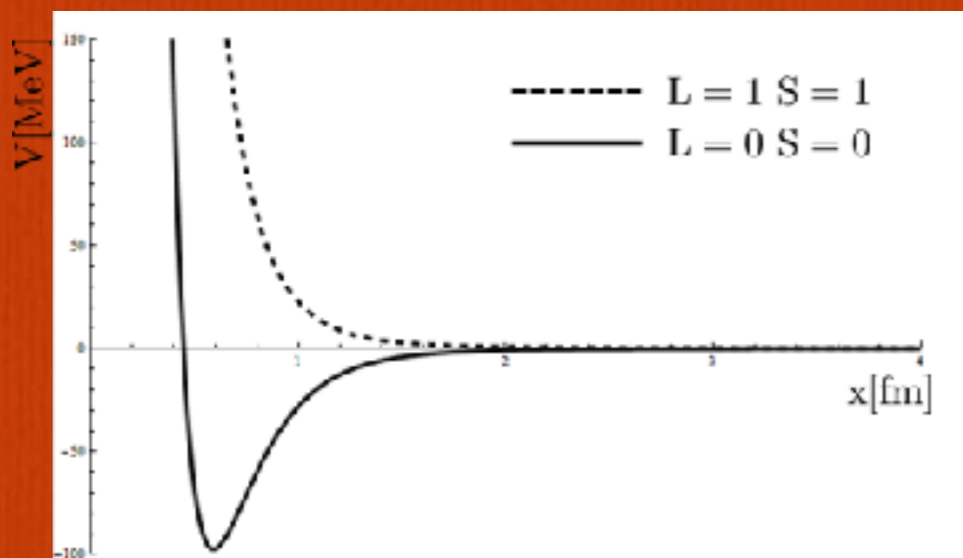
After-Burner which
includes the relevant
Interactions



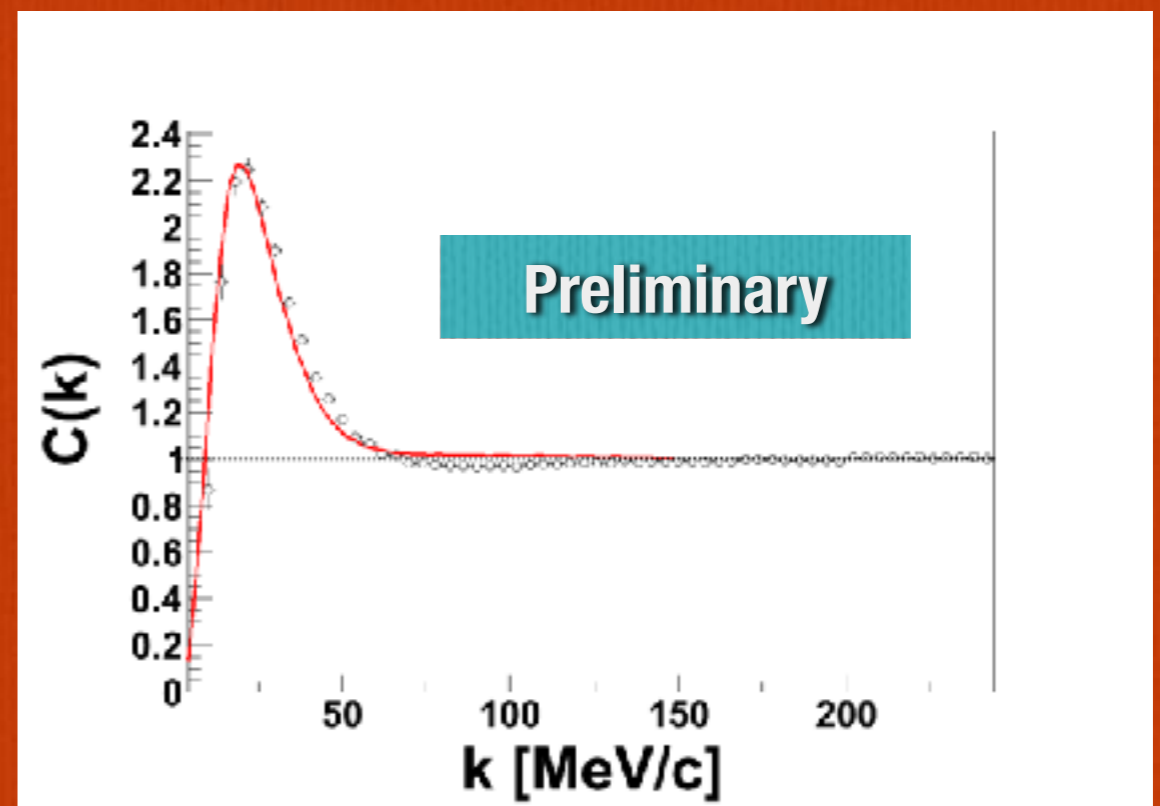
Comparison with
the measured
correlations

p+Nb reaction simulated in UrQMD +
CRAB afterburner

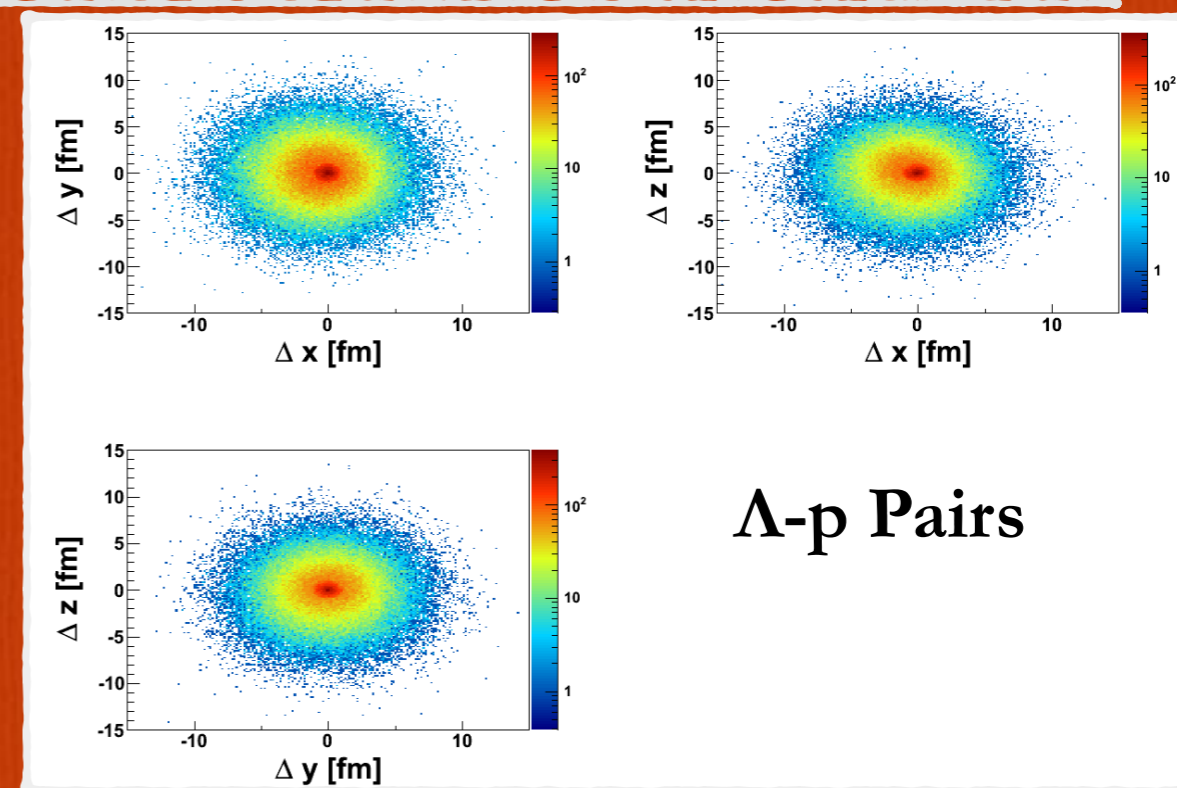
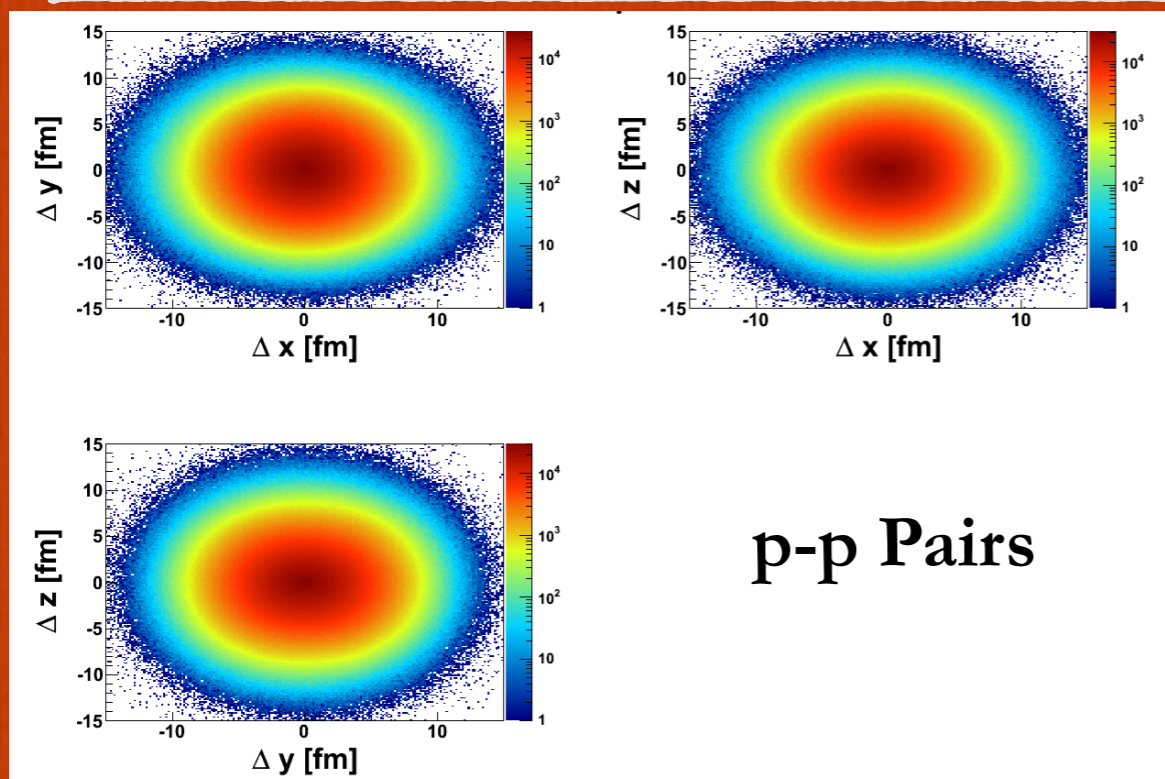
Coulomb +



Excellent Agreement

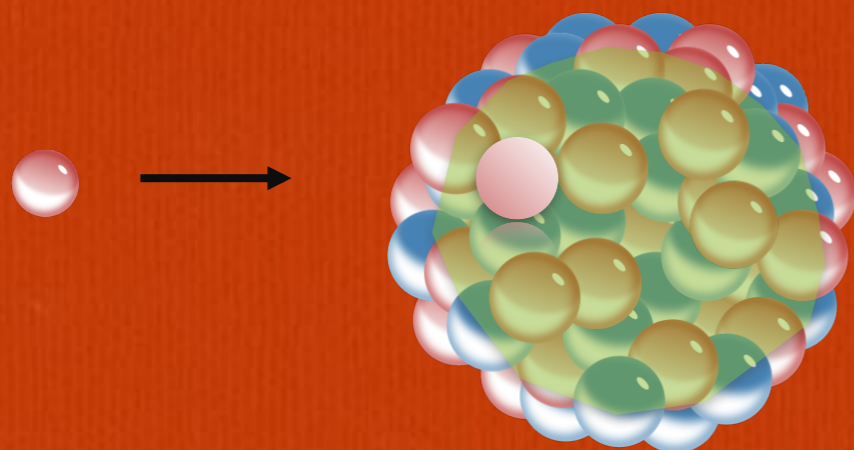


Source Determination at low energies via UrQMD

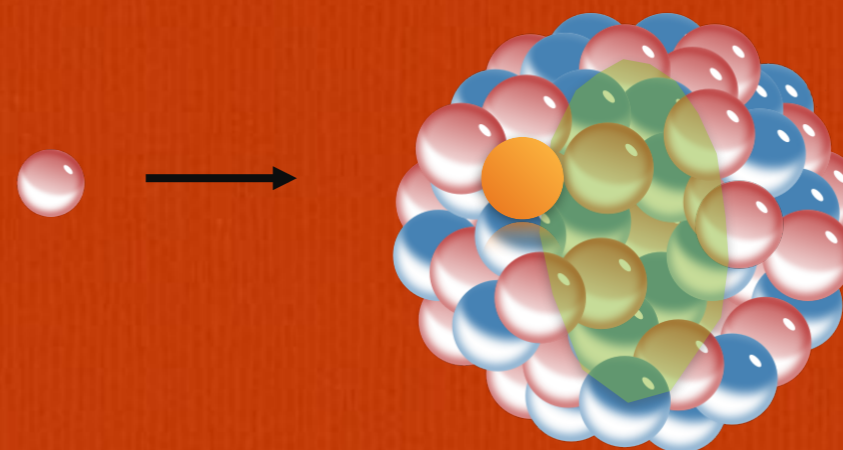


Λ-p source: 1.24 times smaller than p-p source (from UrQMD)

p-scattering in the nucleus

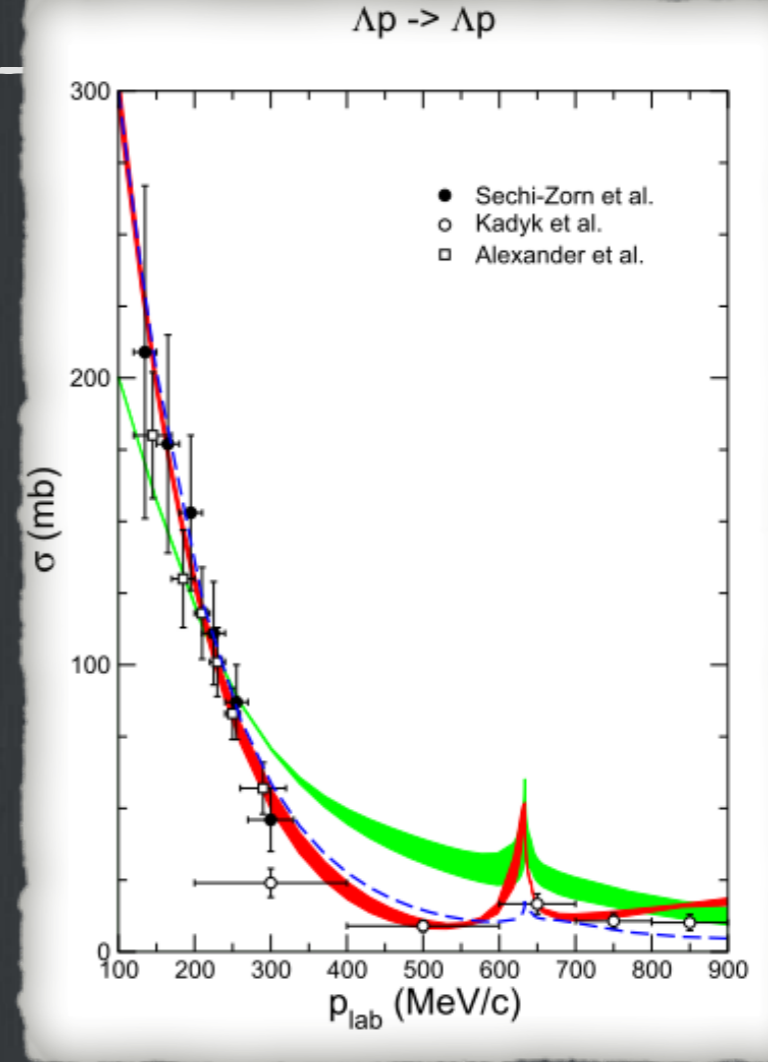
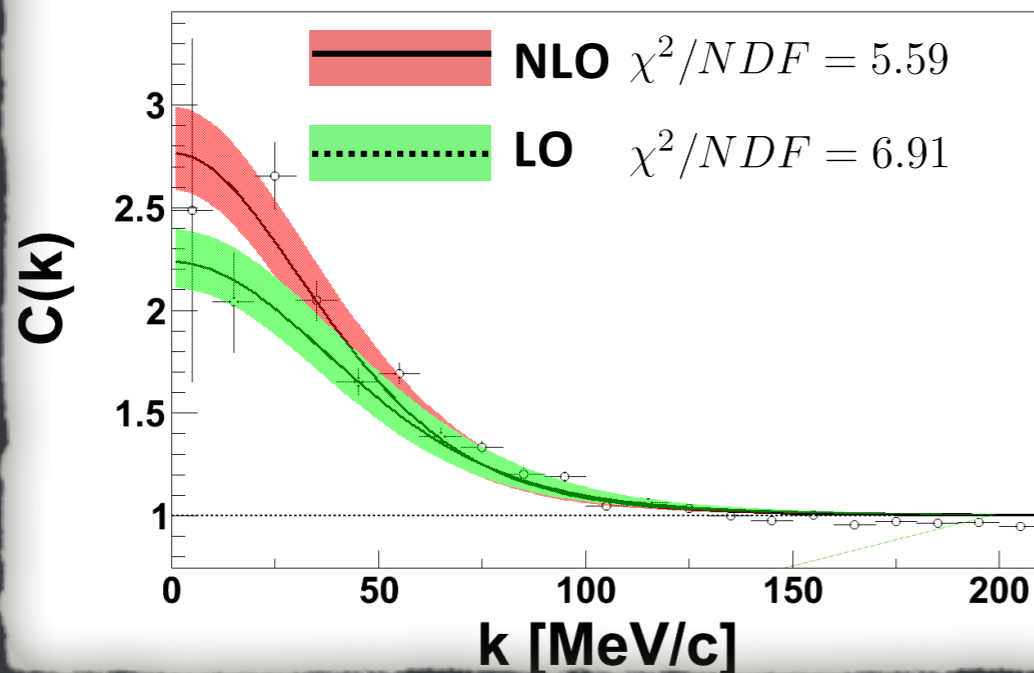


Λ-scattering in the nucleus



Λ -p Correlation in p+Nb collisions at 3.5 GeV

J. Adamczewski-Musch et al., [HADES coll.] Phys. Rev. C. 94 (2016).



$$C(k) = 1 + \sum_S \rho_S \left[\frac{1}{2} \left| \frac{f^S(k)}{R_G^{\Lambda p}} \right|^2 \left(1 - \frac{d_0^S}{2\sqrt{\pi} R_G^{\Lambda p}} \right) + 2 \frac{\mathcal{R}f^S(k)}{\sqrt{\pi} R_G^{\Lambda p}} F_1(Q R_G^{\Lambda p}) - \frac{\mathcal{I}f^S(k)}{R_G^{\Lambda p}} F_2(Q R_G^{\Lambda p}) \right]$$

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a < 0 means attraction!

ALICE data

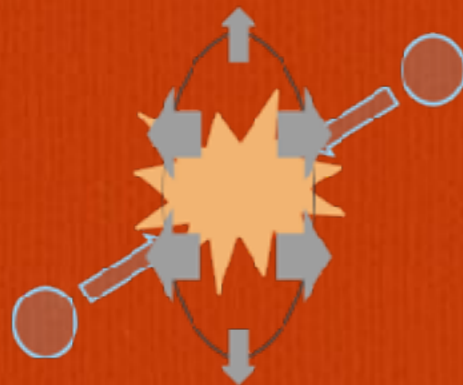
p+p 13 TeV High Multiplicity trigger, RUN 2 ~1000 Millions Events

For such collisions it is possible to

- 1) Model an universal Source for all hadrons!
- 2) Produce much larger yields of even the rarest hyperons!

Source

Elliptic flow



Radial flow



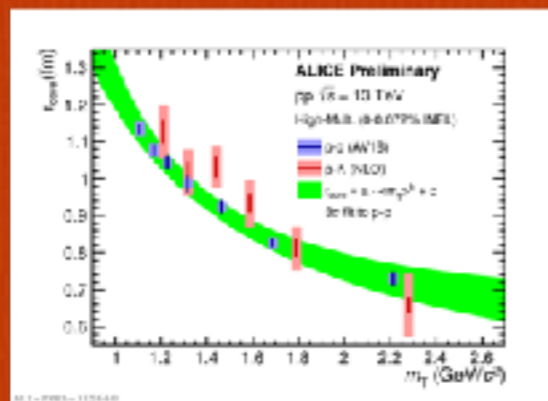
Collective effects -> m_T scaling

Strong decays of broad resonances

U. A. Wiedemann, U. W. Heinz, Phys.Rept. 319, 145-230 (1999)

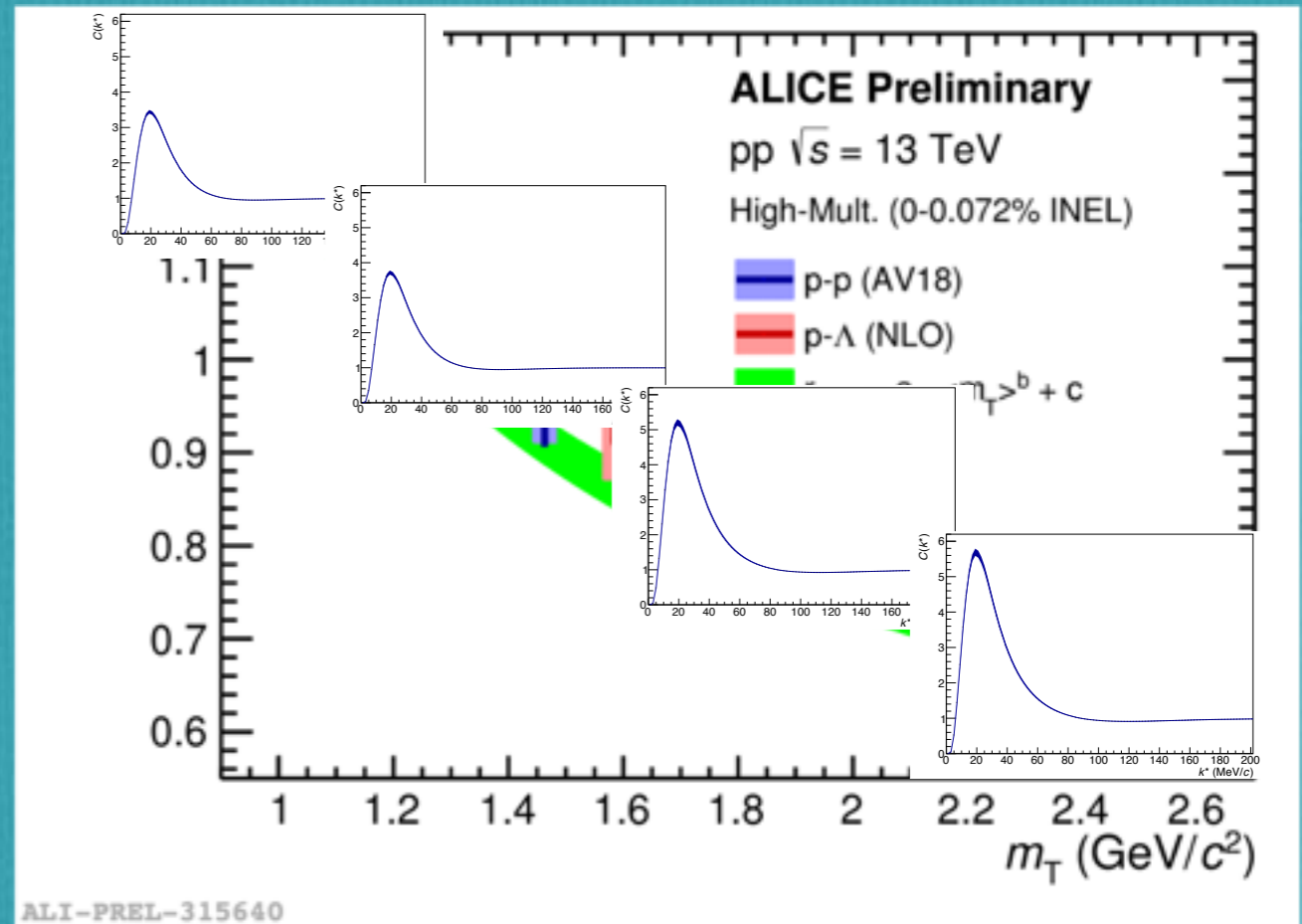
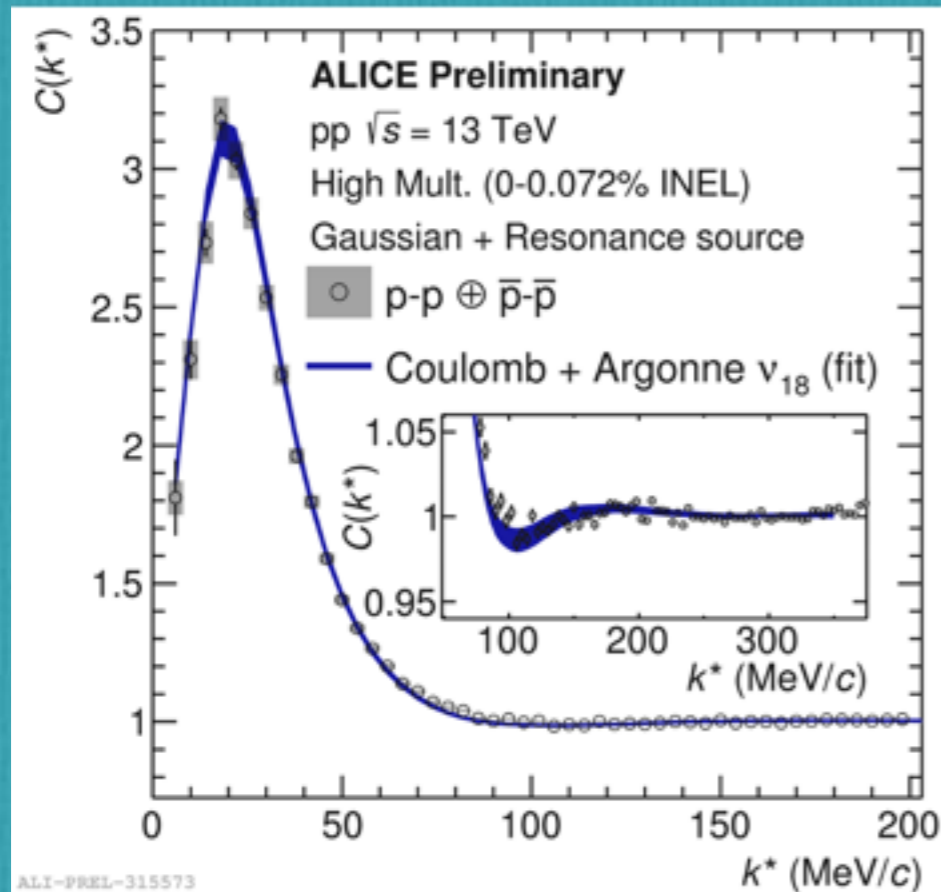


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‘Tail’ in the source distribution due to the specific strong resonance contribution for each pair of interest.

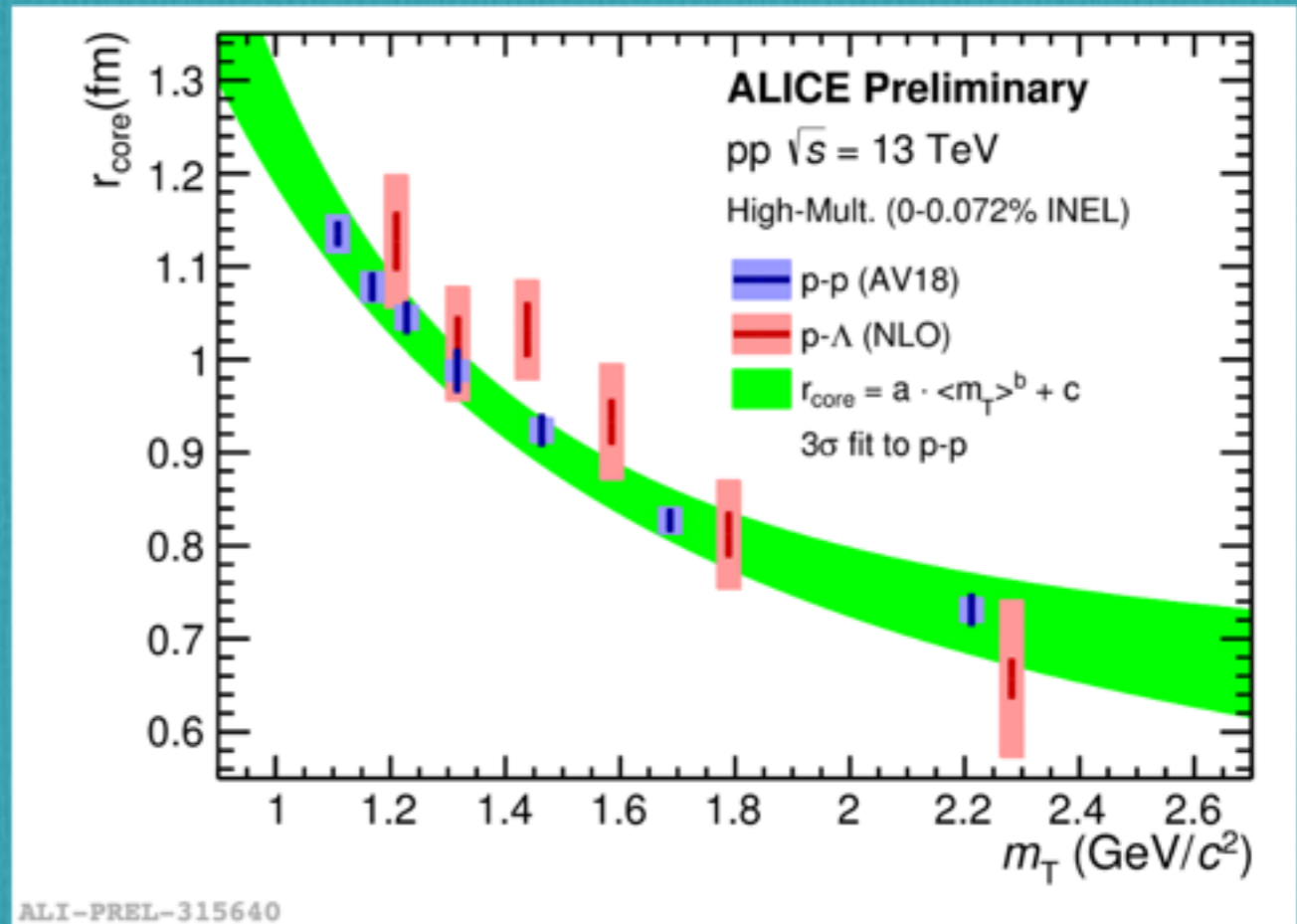
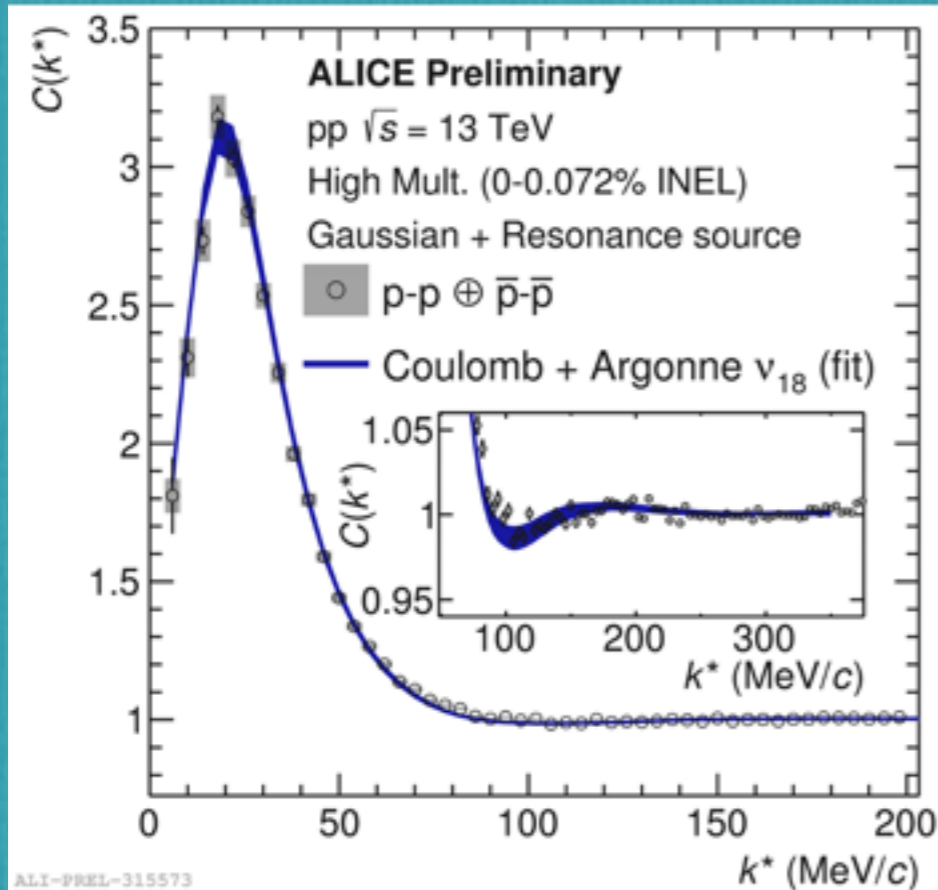
Source determination using p-p correlations



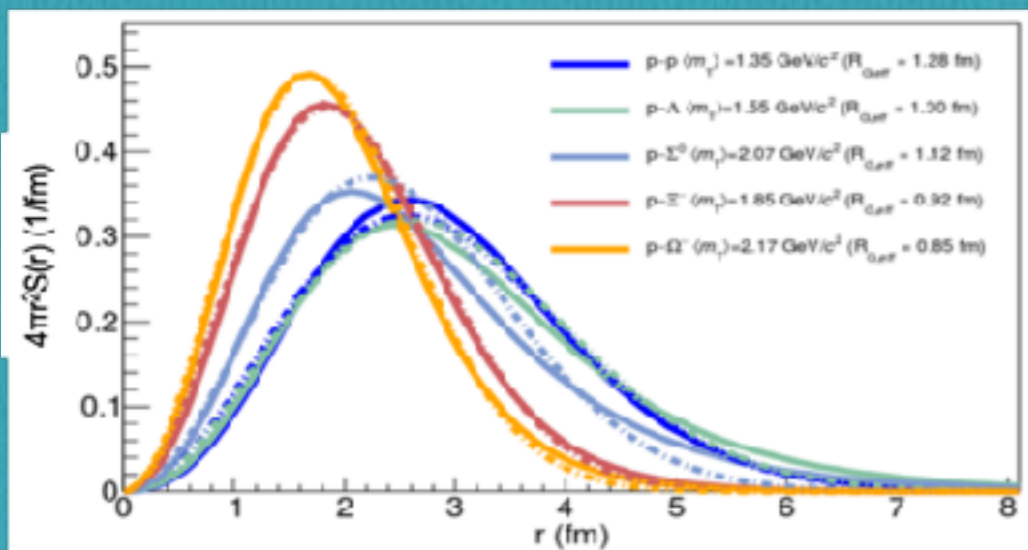
$$C(k) = \int dr^3 \phi_{\text{rel}}^2(r, k) \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{4R_G^2}\right) \frac{1}{s} e^{-r/s}$$

$s = \beta\gamma\tau_{\text{res}}$ for the pertinent Ensemble of resonances decaying into protons via strong decay

Source determination using p-p correlations

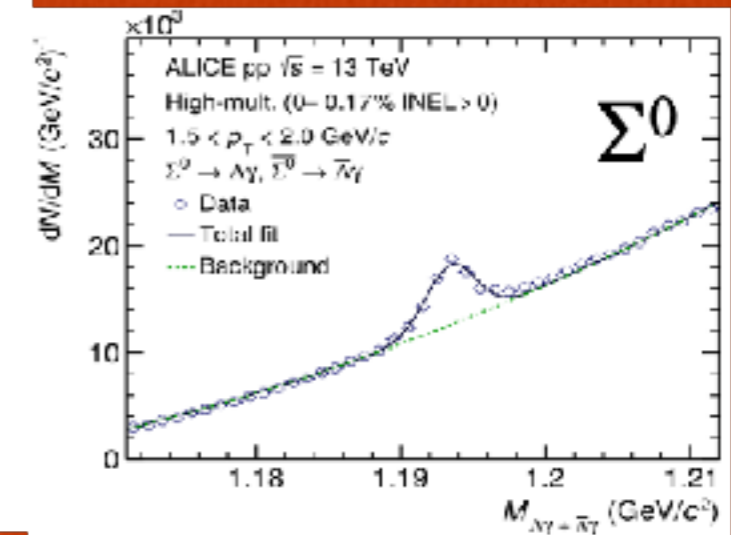
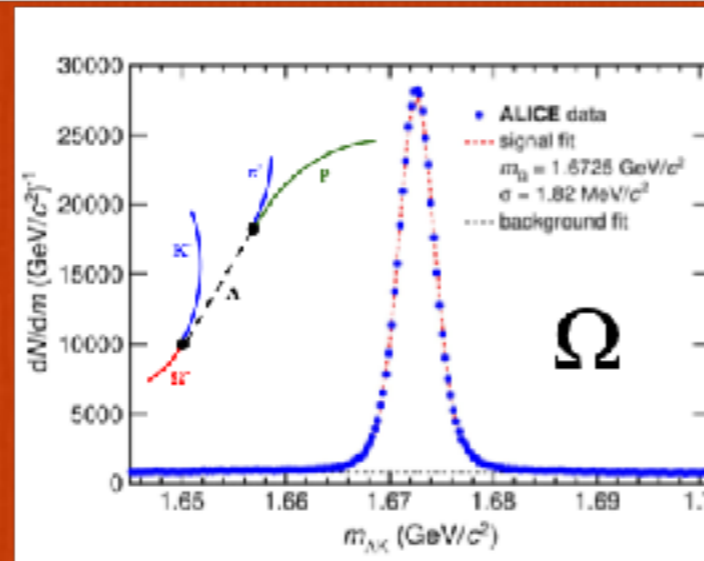
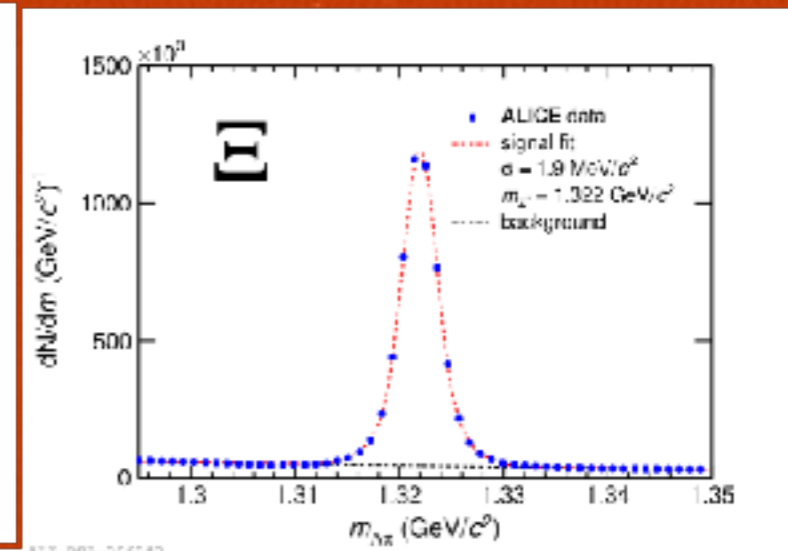
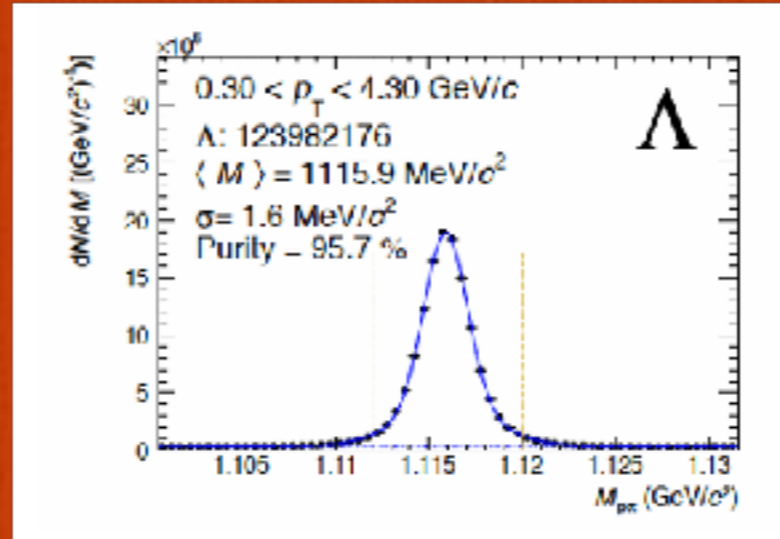
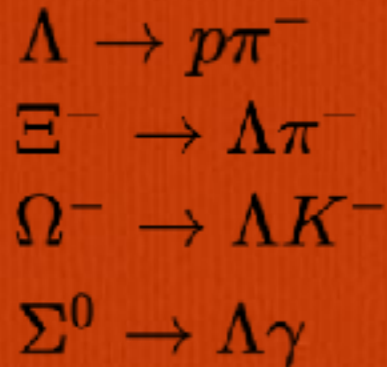
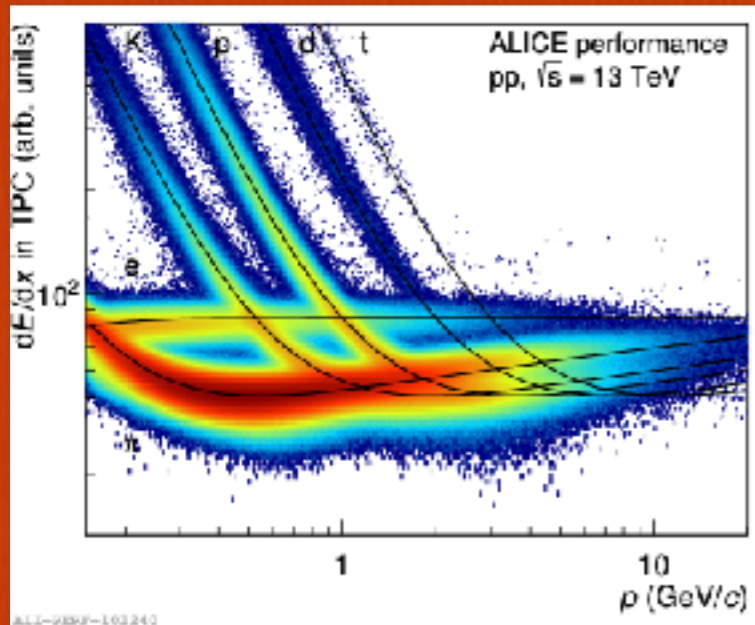


Global Source for each Pair



Pair	r_{Core} [fm]	r_{Eff} [fm]
pp	0.96	1.28
p Λ	0.88	1.3
p Σ^0	0.75	1.12
p Σ^-	0.8	0.92
p Ω^-	0.73	0.85

Considerations about Hyperons statistics

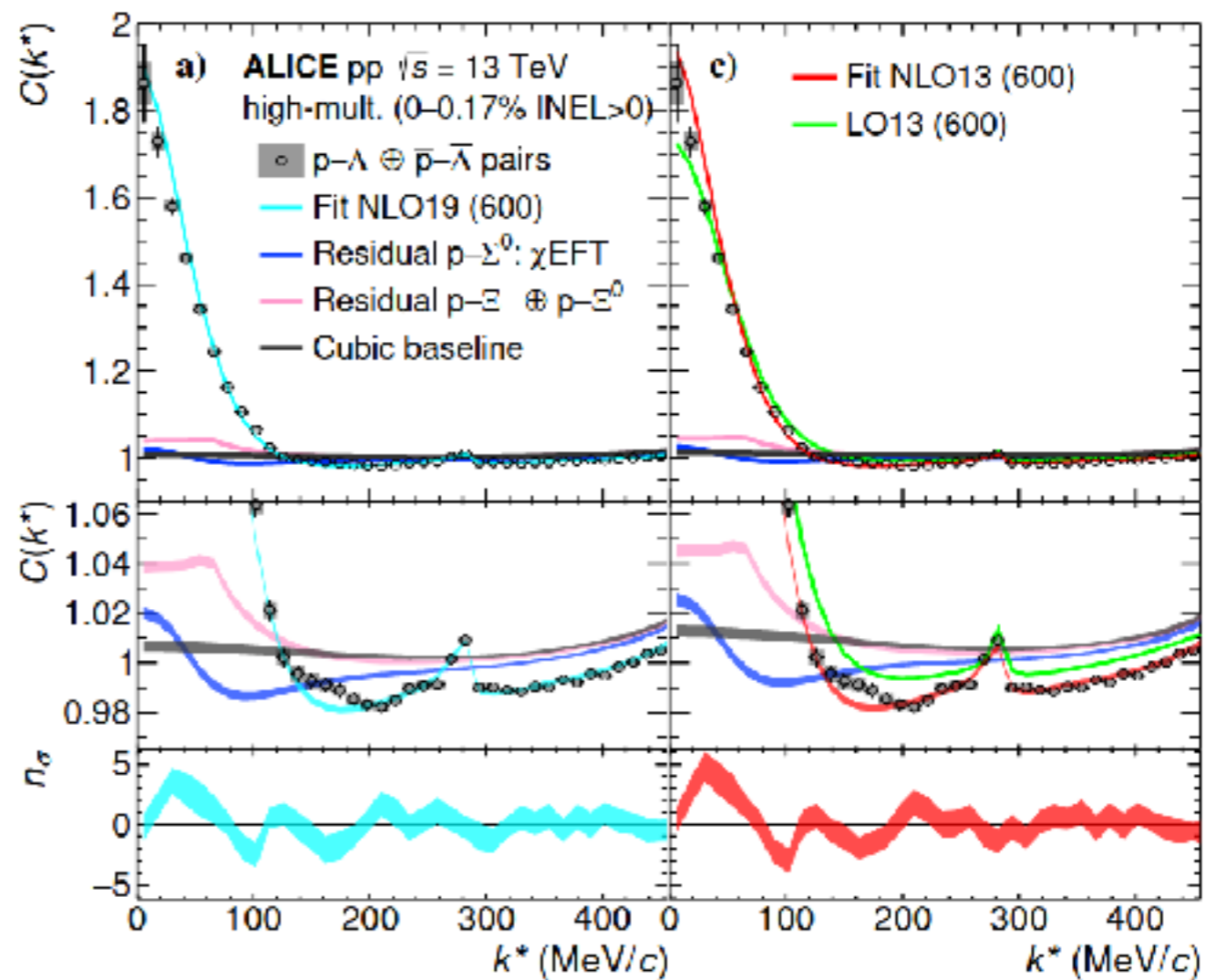
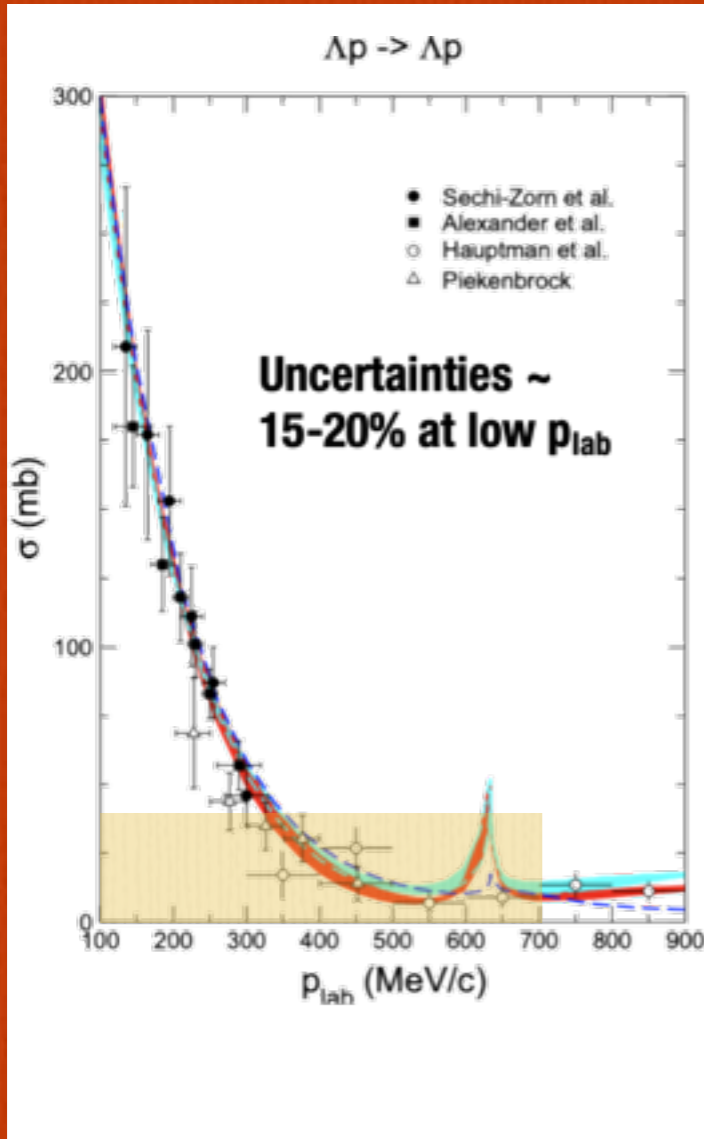


Λ -p Interaction

Scattering Data

ALICE femtoscopy data

arXiv:2104.04427



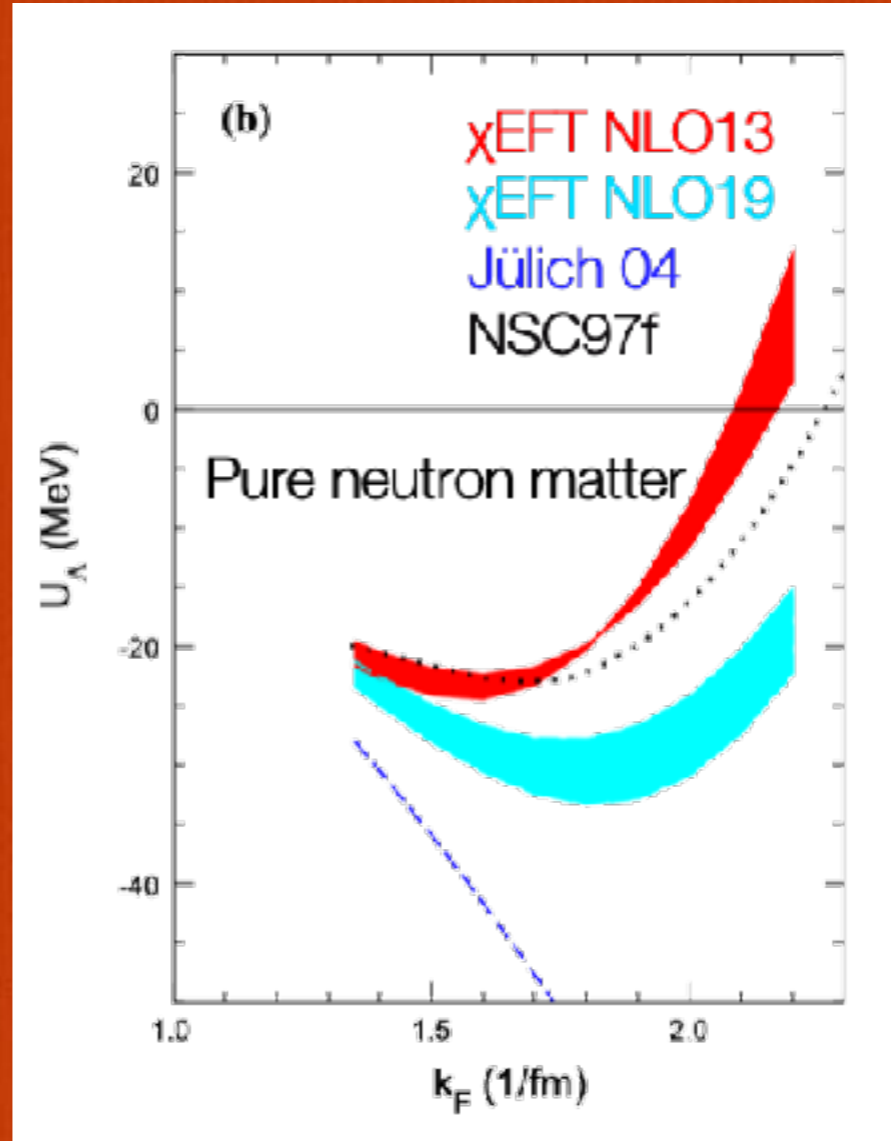
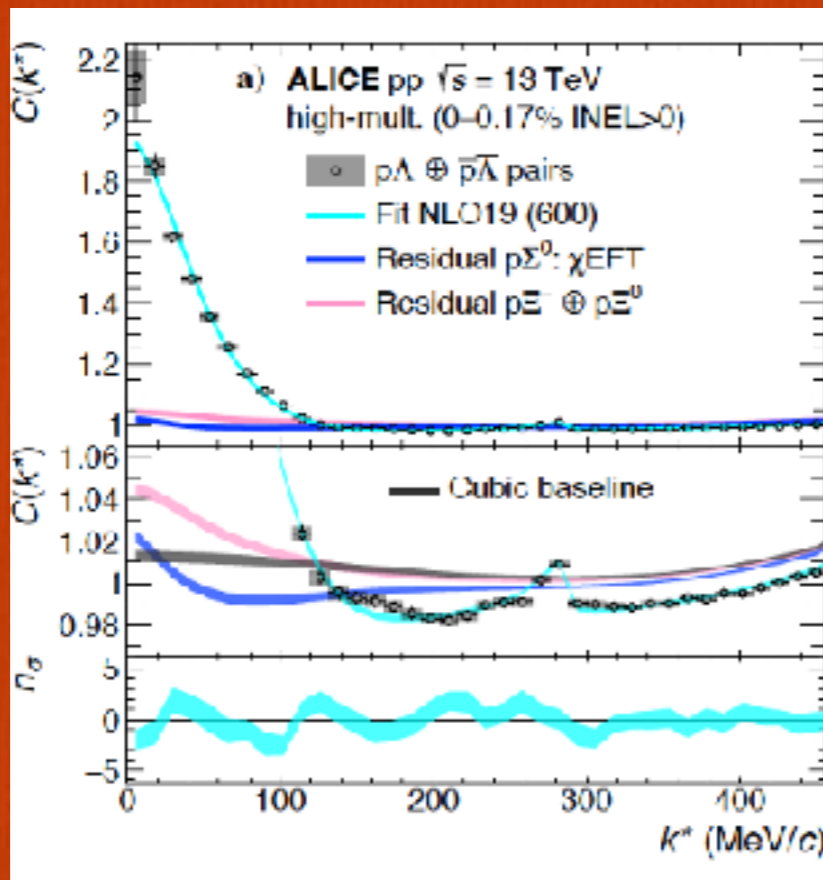
$$p_{lab} = 2 \cdot k^*$$

New Data: Factor 20-25 improvement in the statistics !

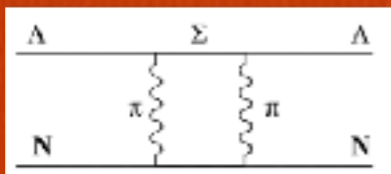
Clear evidence of the $\Sigma N - \Lambda N$ cusp

Implication for dense nuclear matter

Single Particle Potential U_Λ



* ΣN coupling strength deeply affects the behaviour of Λ at finite density



* Relevance for EoS in NS and for connection to role of ΛNN three-body interaction

* Updated NLO19 with weaker coupling strength in $N\Lambda$ - $N\Sigma$ leading to more attractive U_Λ at large densities and to softer EoS

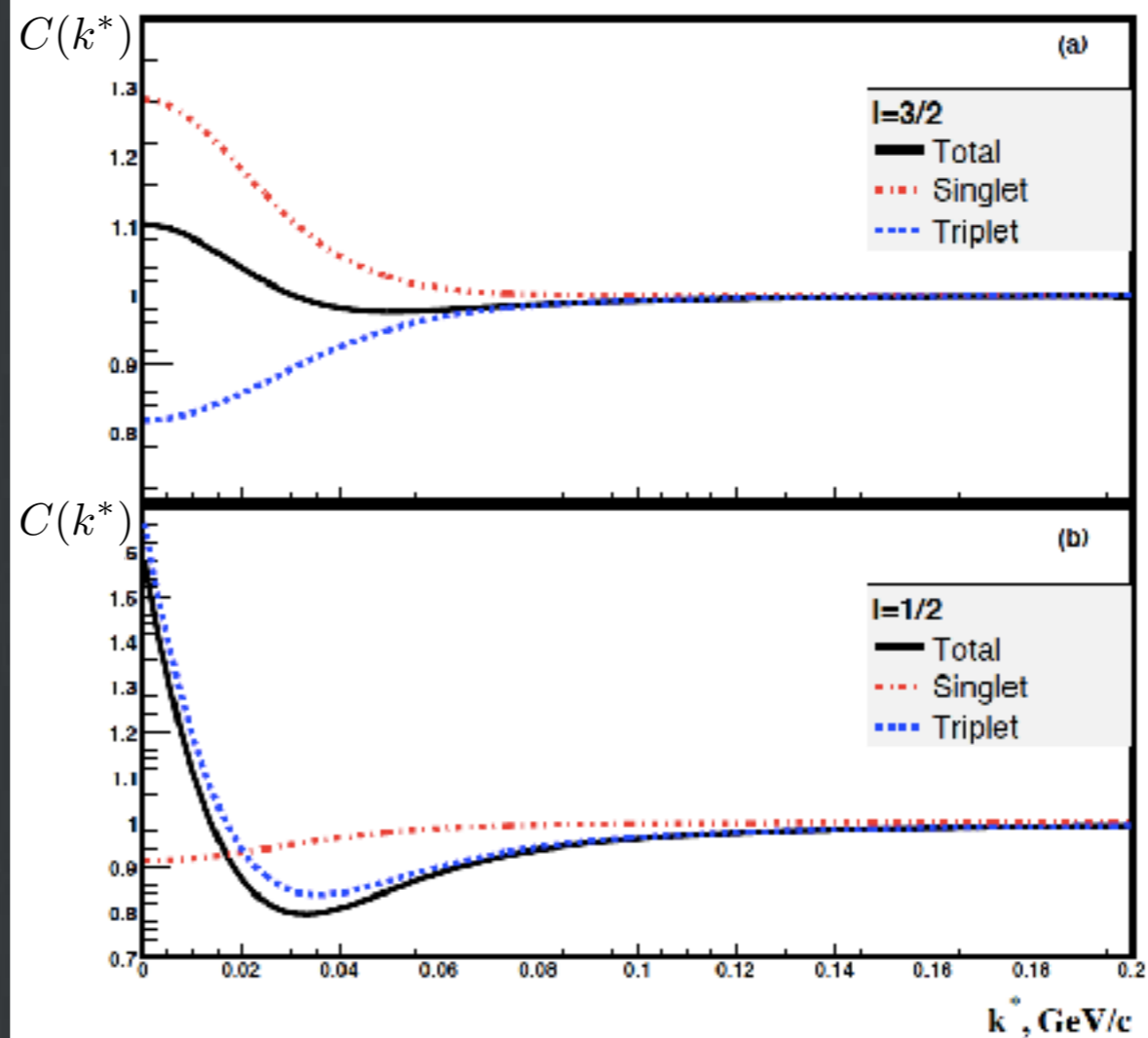
$\Sigma^0 - p$ Interaction

$$\Sigma^0 \rightarrow \Lambda + \gamma$$

$$E_\gamma \approx 80 \text{ MeV}$$

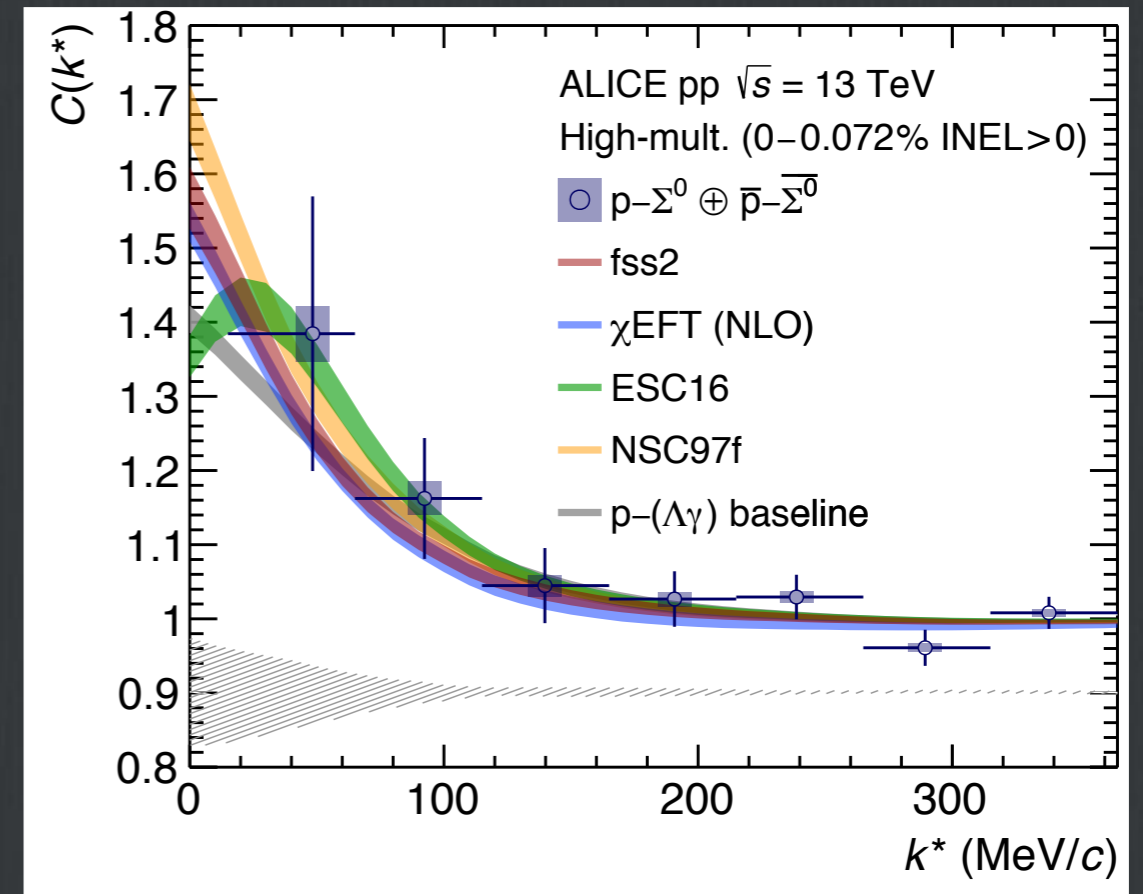
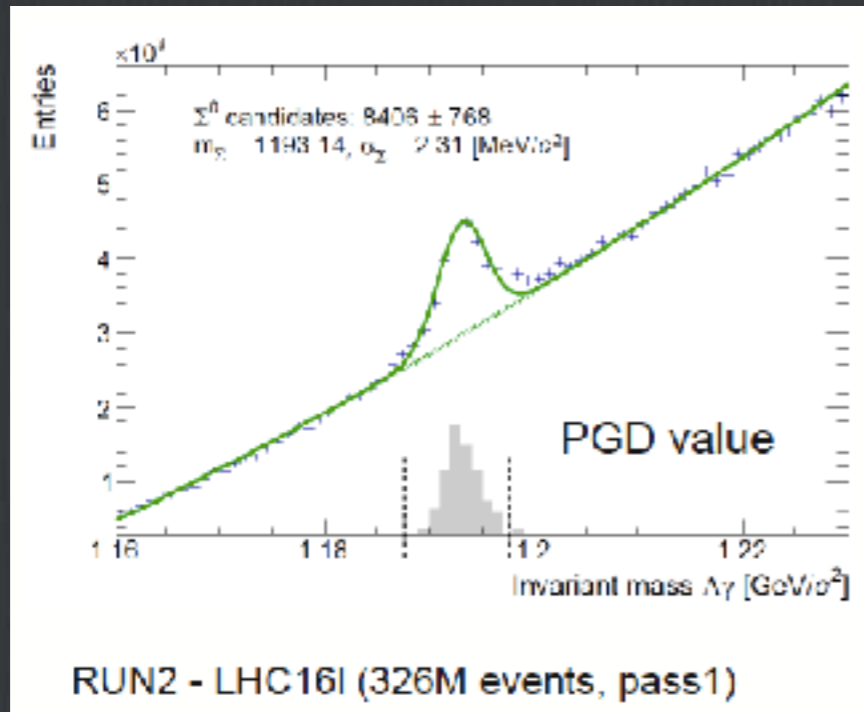
Interaction moderately attractive for $I=1/2$ but repulsive for $I=3/2$

Isopin I	$a_I^{S=0}$ [fm]	$a_I^{S=1}$ [fm]	$d_I^{S=0}$ [fm]	$d_I^{S=1}$ [fm]
1/2	-1.1	-1.1+i4.3	-1.5	-2.2-i2.4
3/2	2.51	-0.73	4.92	-1.22



$\Sigma^0 - p$ Interaction

ALICE coll., PLB 805 (2020) 135419

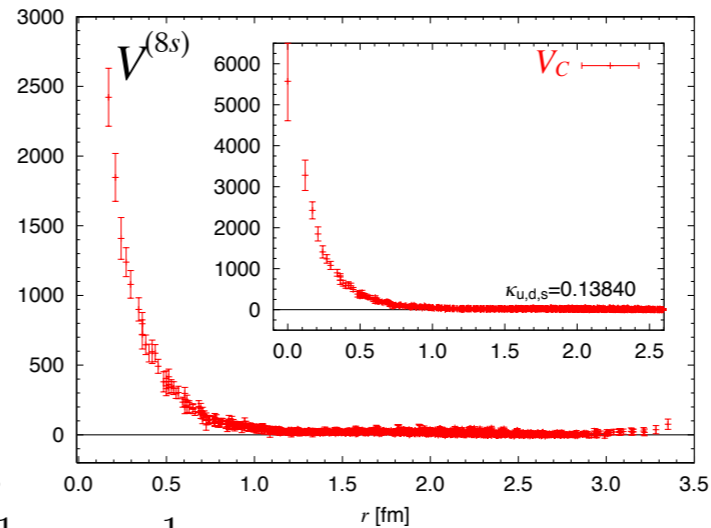
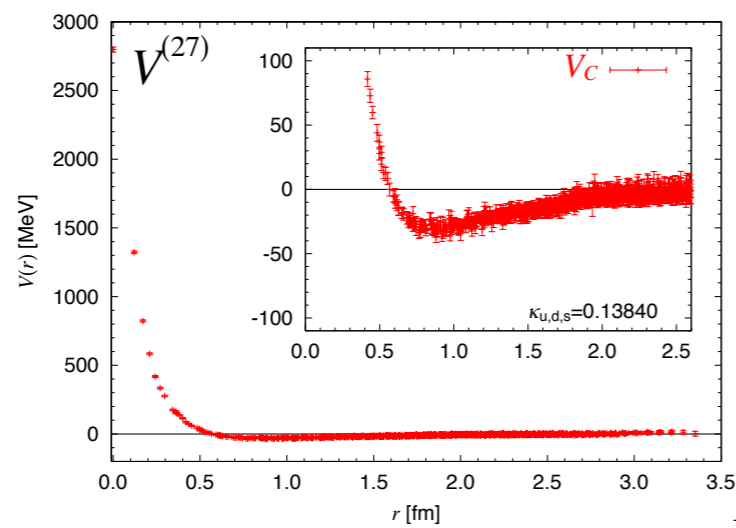


- Very challenging measurement via the difficult electromagnetic decay $\Sigma^0 \rightarrow \Lambda \gamma$
- Data can not distinguish between different models but the interaction should be rather **shallow**

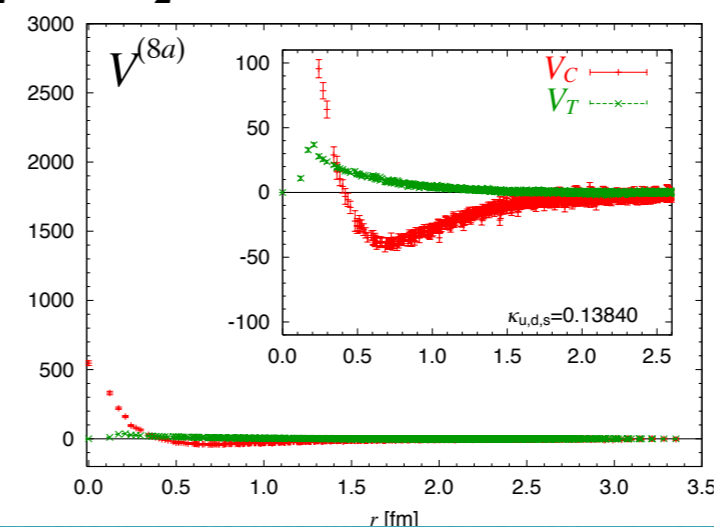
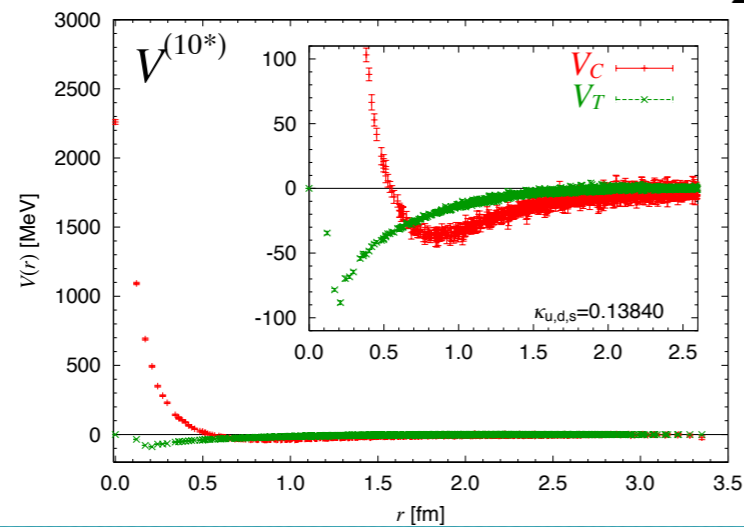
Lattice Potential for $\Lambda - N$

$m_\pi = 470$ MeV

$$\Lambda N(^1S_0) = \frac{9}{10}[27] + \frac{1}{10}[8_s]$$



$$\Lambda N(^3S_1) = \frac{1}{2}[10^*] + \frac{1}{2}[8_a]$$



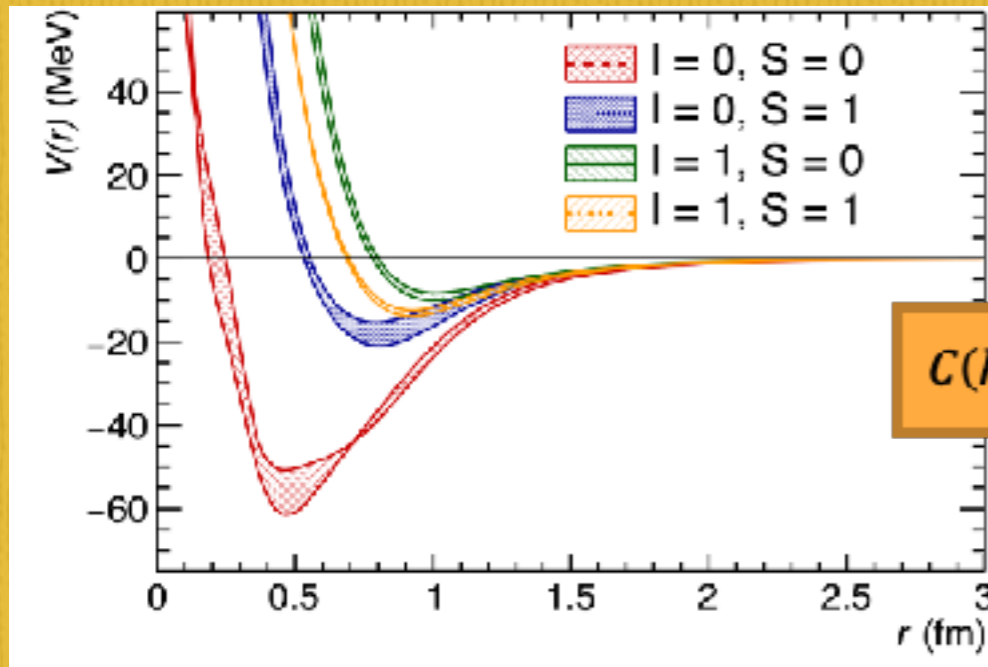
T. Inoue et al. Nucl. Phys. A881 (2012) 28

$p - \Xi^-$ Interaction

Interaction of $p - \Xi^-$ pairs in four Isospin ($I = 0, 1$) and Spin ($S = 0, 1$) states

Lattice Potential

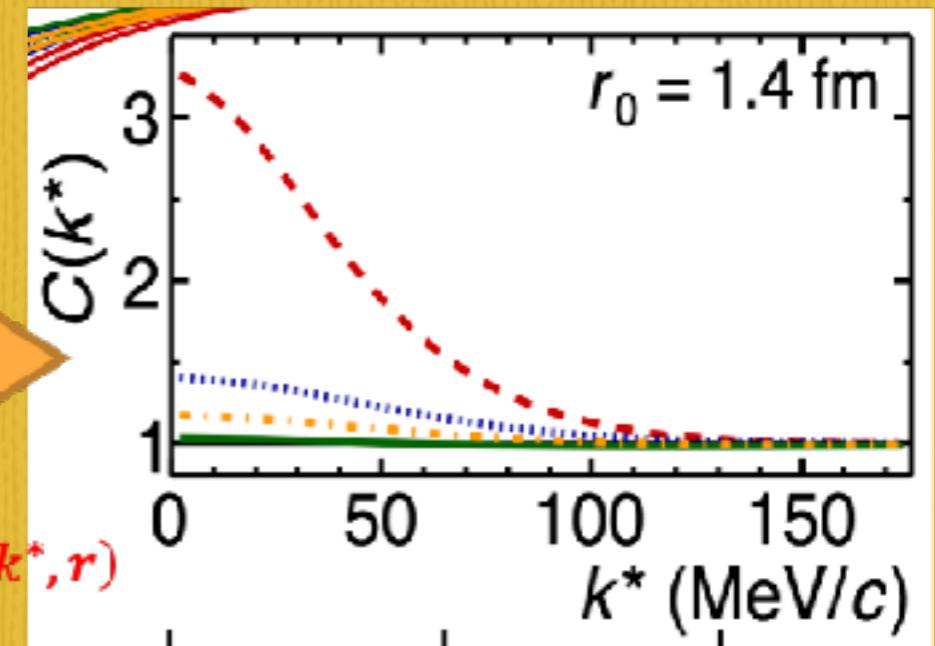
Predicted correlation function



$r_{\text{eff}} = 1.4 \text{ fm}$

$$C(k^*) = \int S(\mathbf{r}) |\psi(k^*, \mathbf{r})|^2 d^3r$$

$$\hat{H} \cdot \psi(k^*, \mathbf{r}) = E \cdot \psi(k^*, \mathbf{r})$$

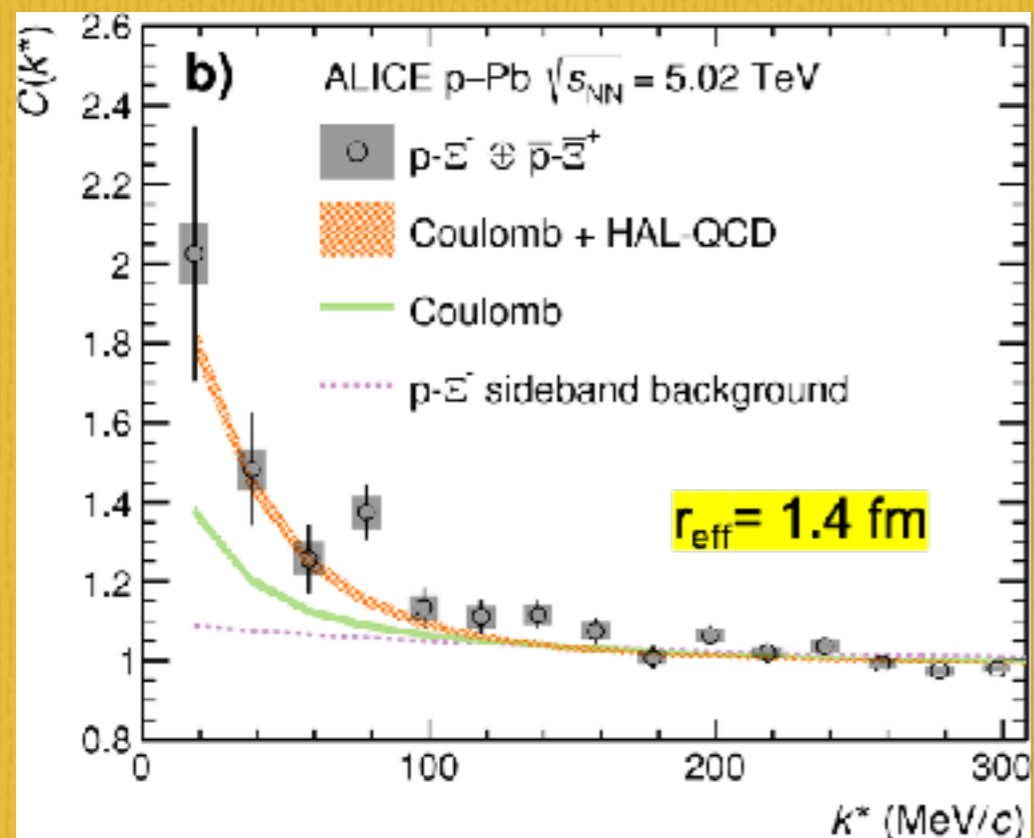


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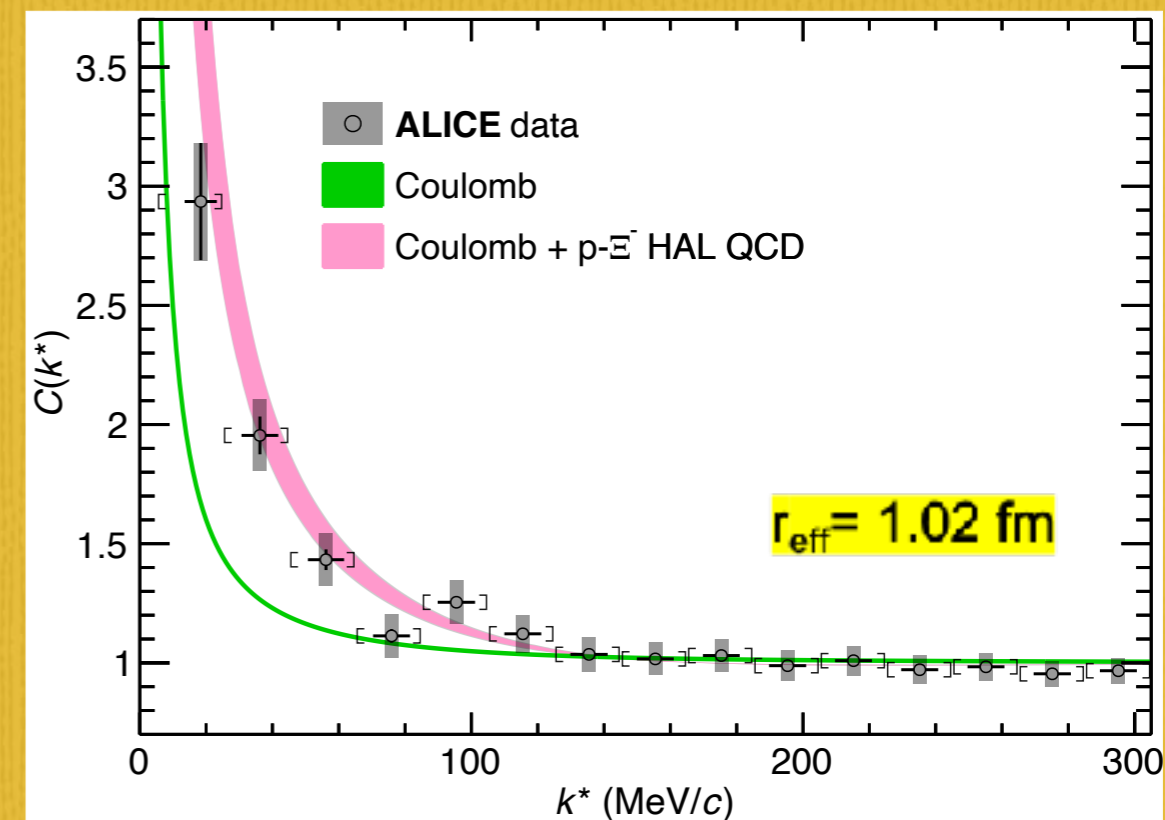
$$C_{p-\Xi^-} = \frac{1}{8} C_{N-\Xi} (I=0, S=0) + \frac{3}{8} C_{N-\Xi} (I=0, S=1) \\ + \frac{1}{8} C_{N-\Xi} (I=1, S=0) + \frac{3}{8} C_{N-\Xi} (I=1, S=1).$$

$p - \Xi^-$ Interaction

ALICE Coll, Phys. Rev. Lett 123, (2019) 112002



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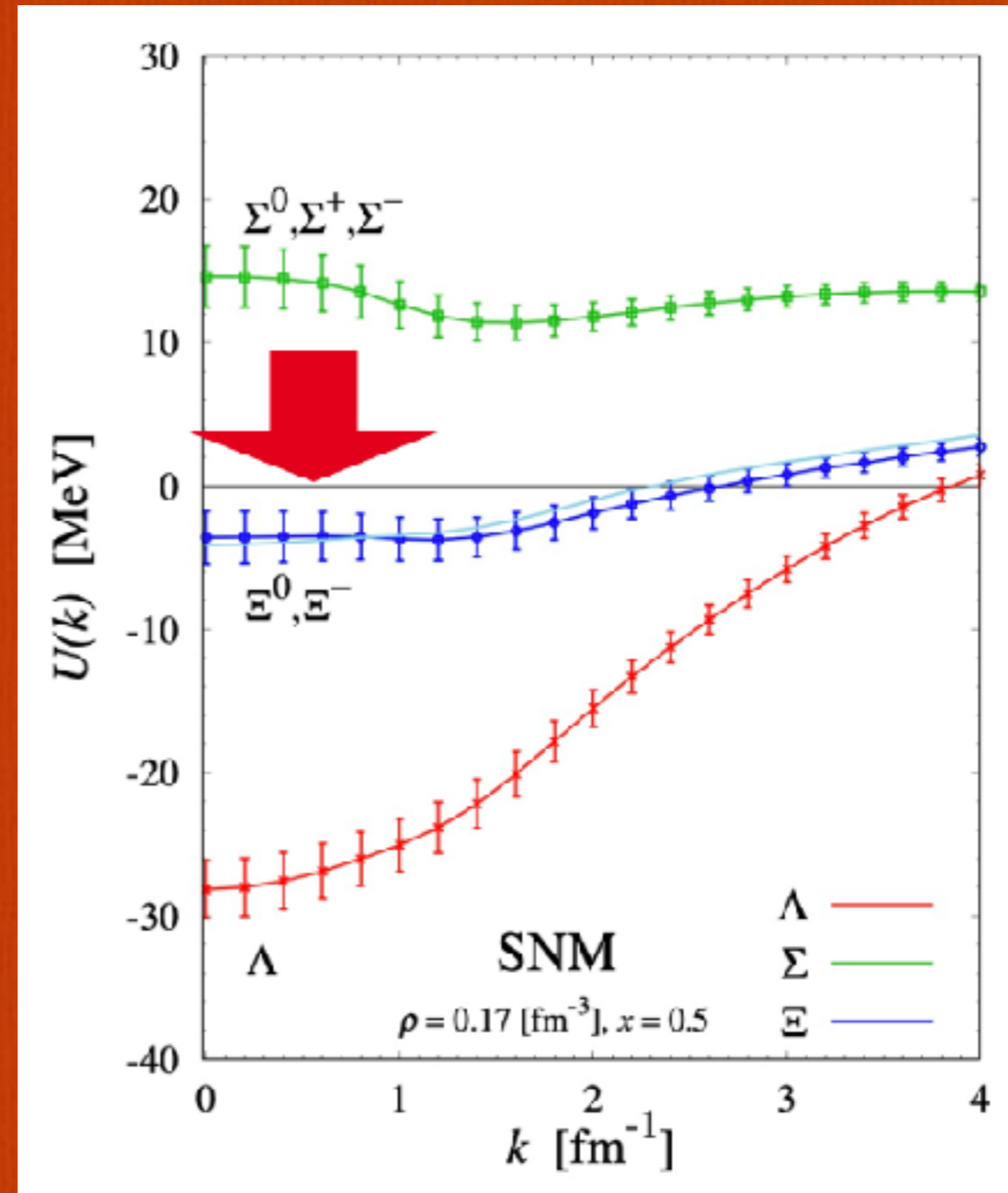
Observation of the strong interaction beyond Coulomb

Agreement with LQCD calculations confirmed in pp and p-Pb colliding systems

Consequences for Neutron Stars

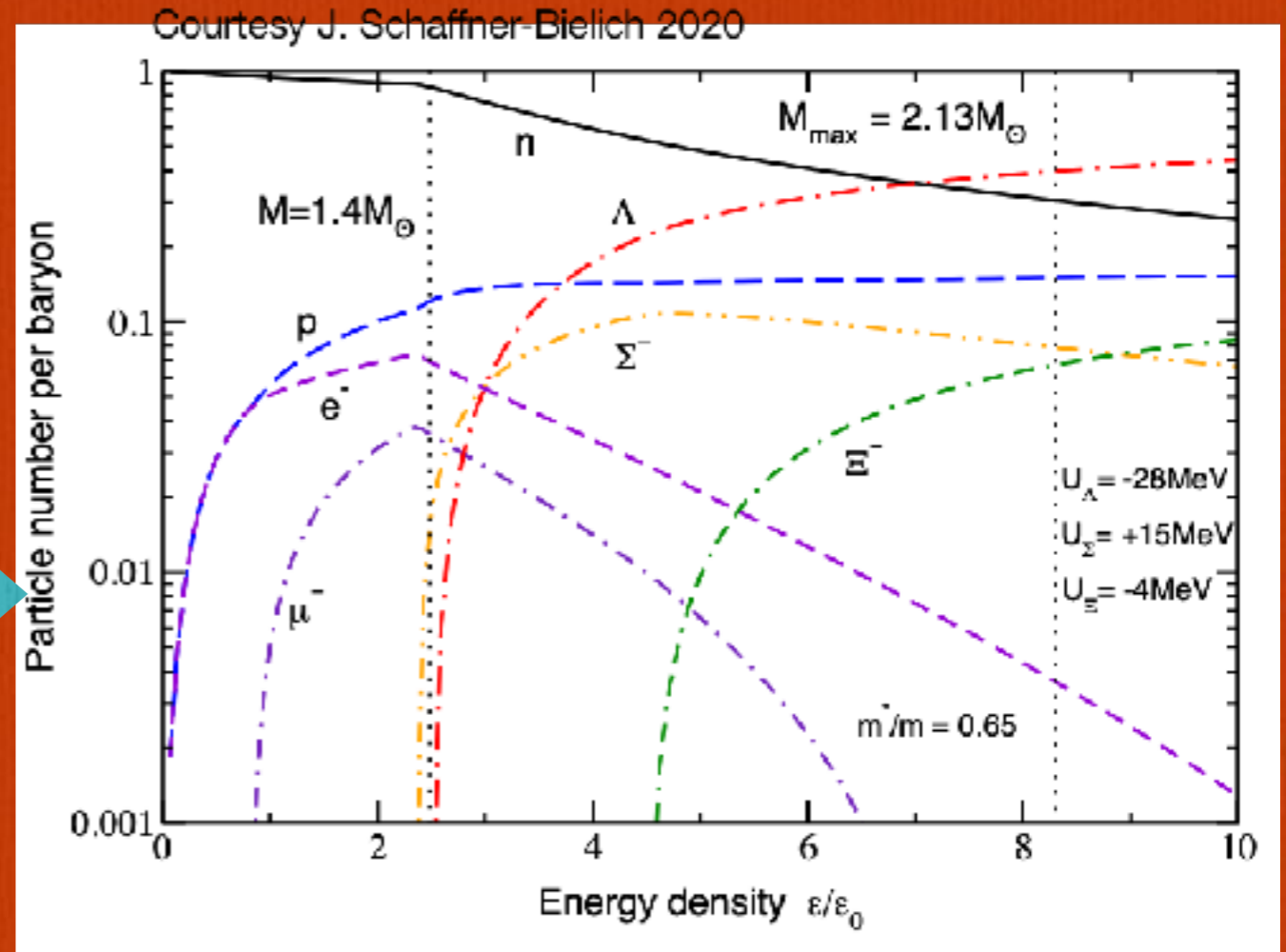
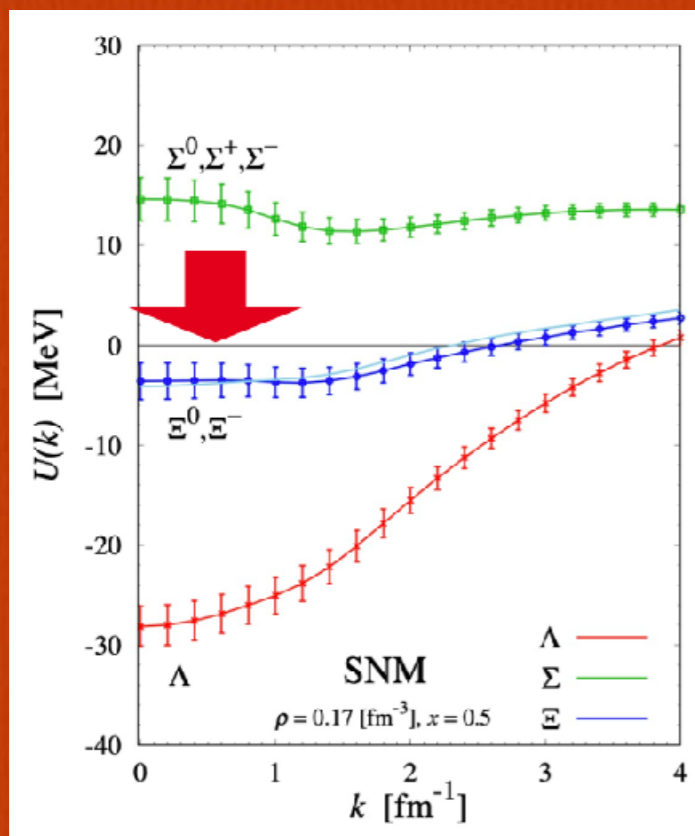
Attractive $p\Xi^-$ interaction
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(Isospin symmetries)

→ Ξ^- appears at larger
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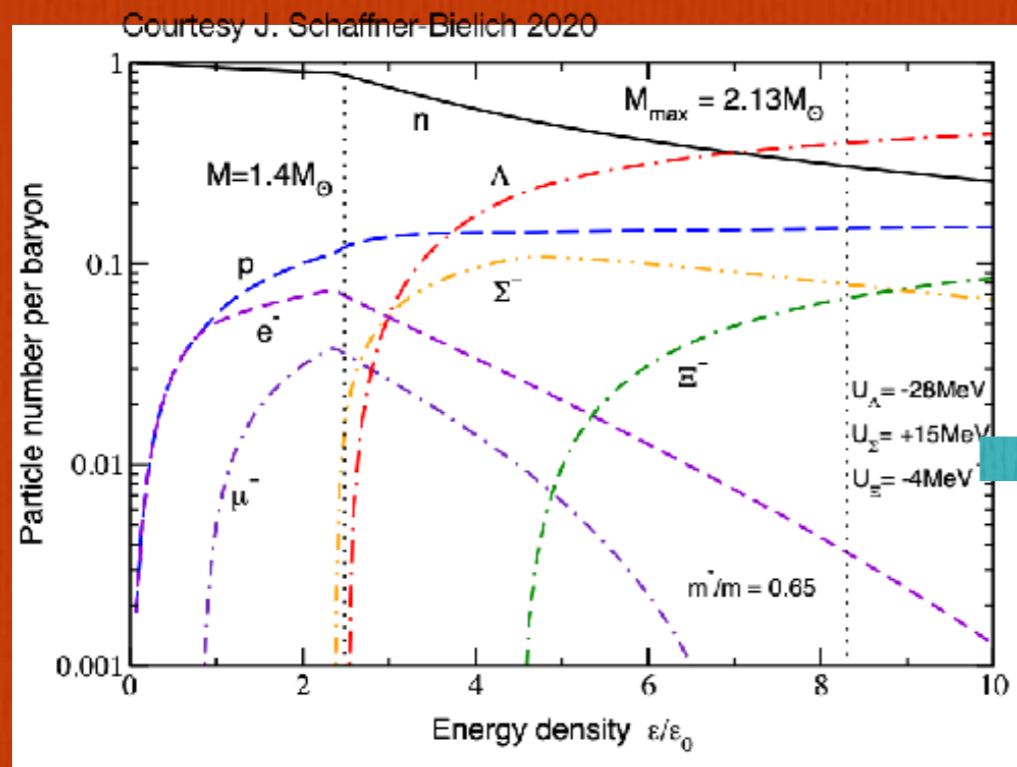
Consequences for Neutron Stars

Updated RMF Model with single particle potential consistent with the femtoscopy measurements

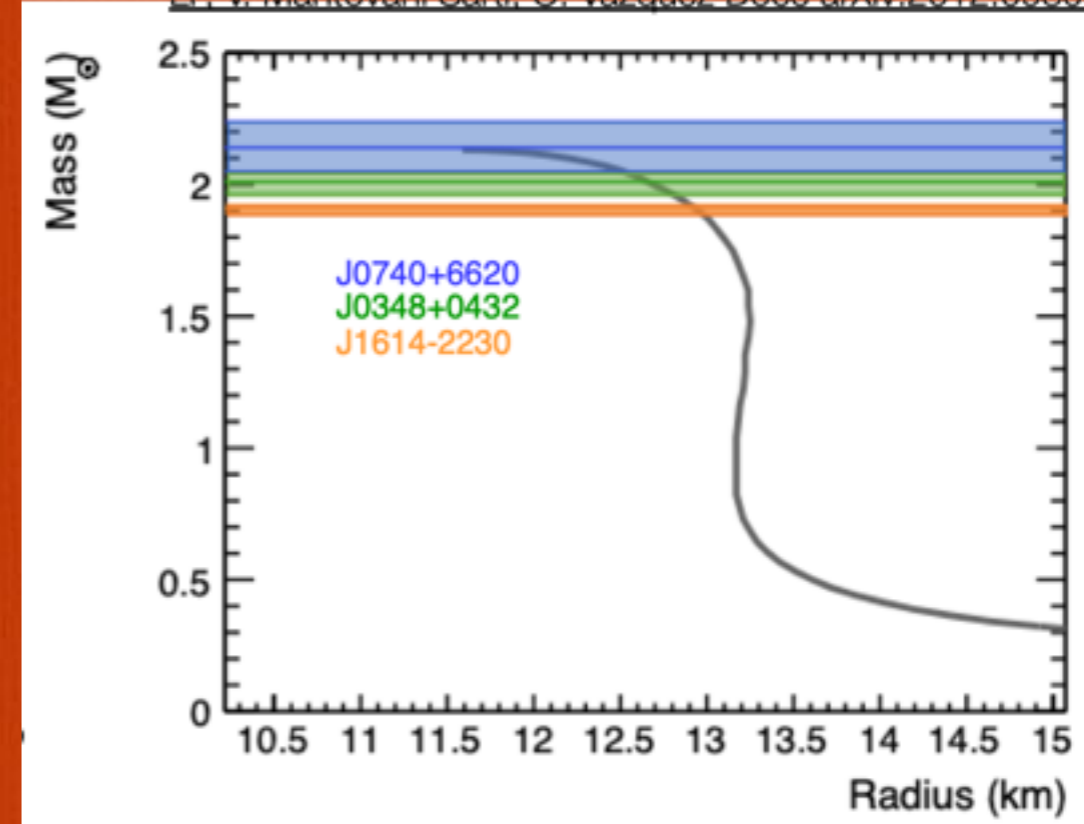


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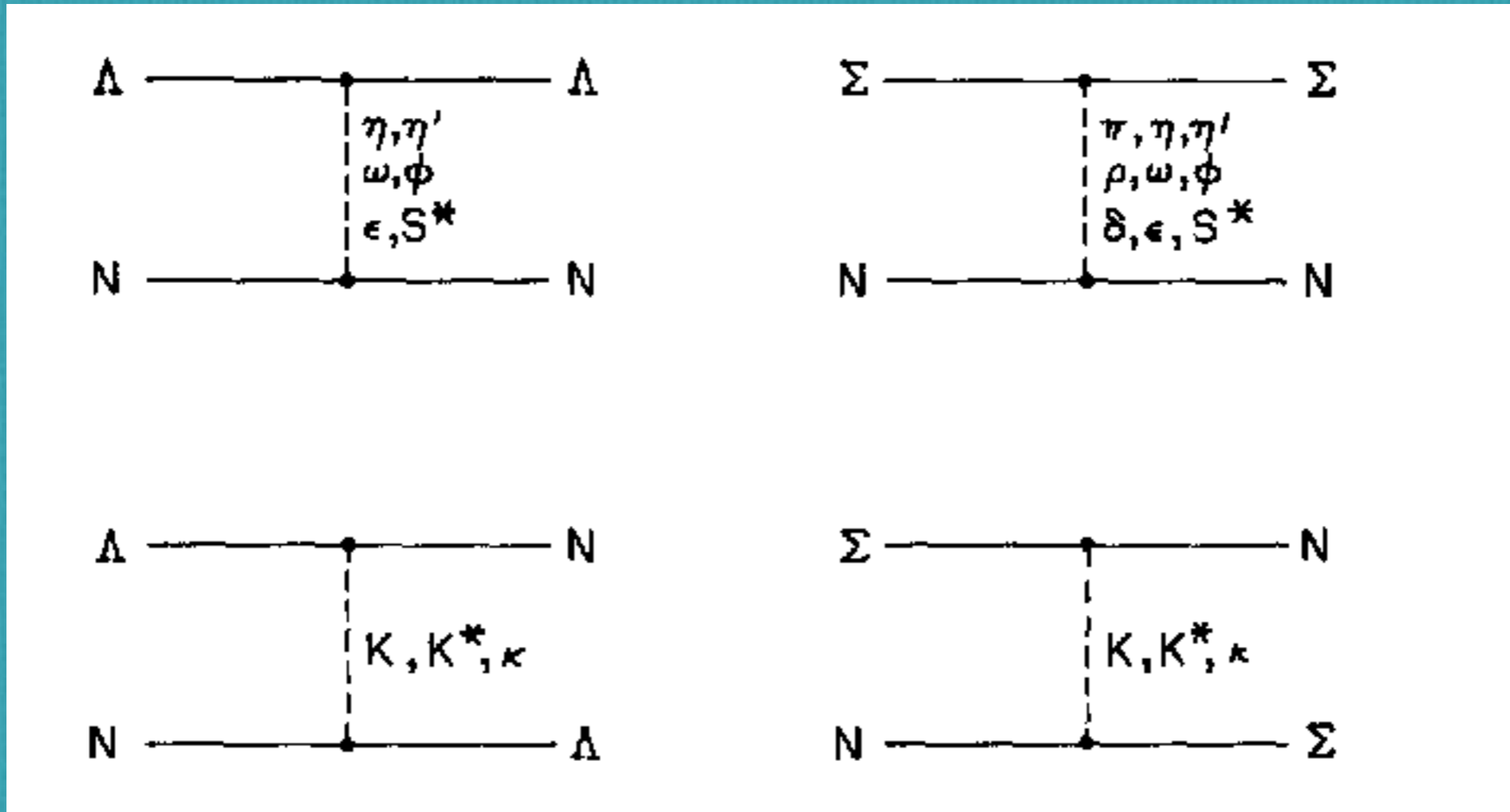


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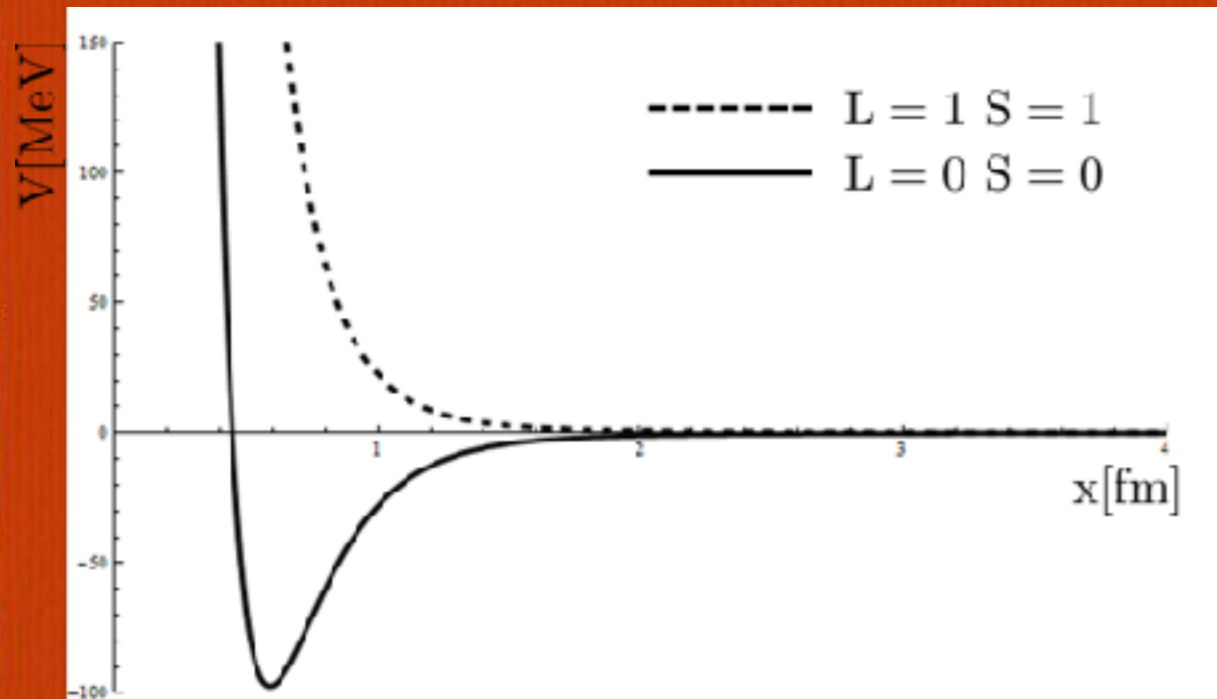
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Which are the building blocks of the interaction?



Example of local Potentials

Nucleon-Nucleon Potential



Similar to the NN potential:
attractive for large distances and with a
repulsive core

Hyperon-Nucleon Potential

Repulsive Core

$$V_{\Lambda p} = V_C + \left(\bar{V} - \frac{1}{4} V_\sigma \sigma_\Lambda \cdot \sigma_p \right) T_\pi^2$$

$$T_\pi = \left(1 + \frac{3}{x} + \frac{3}{x^2} \right) \frac{e^{-x}}{x} \left(1 - e^{-cr^2} \right)$$

$$V_C = W_C \left[1 + \exp \left(\frac{r - R}{d} \right) \right]^{-1}$$