

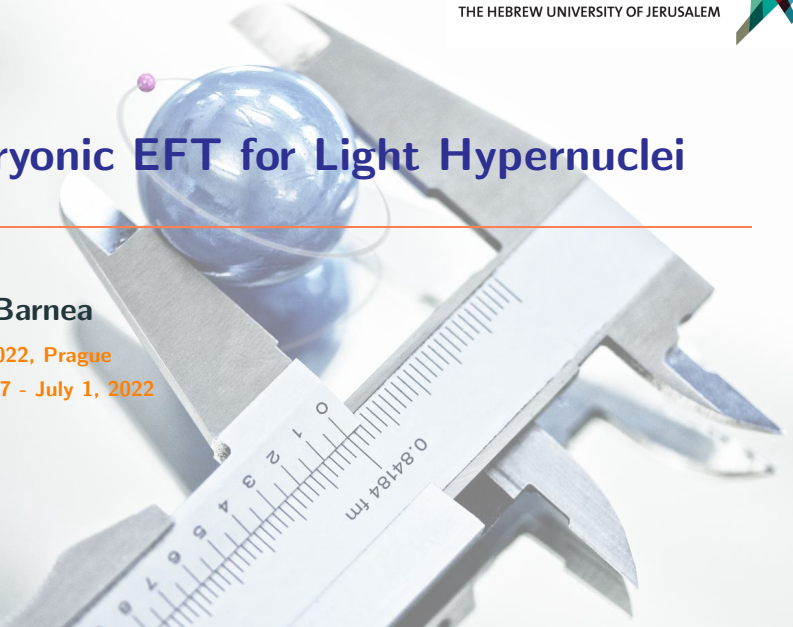


Baryonic EFT for Light Hypernuclei

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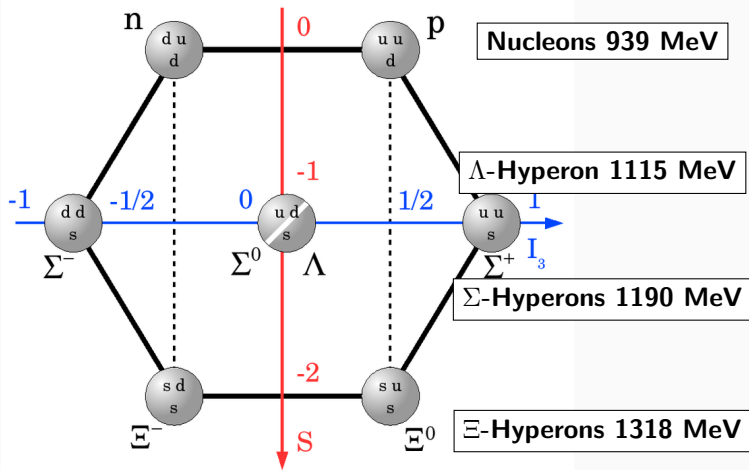
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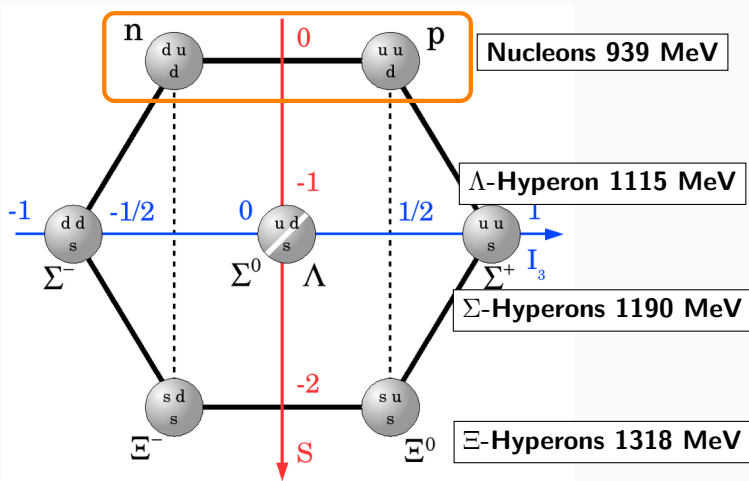
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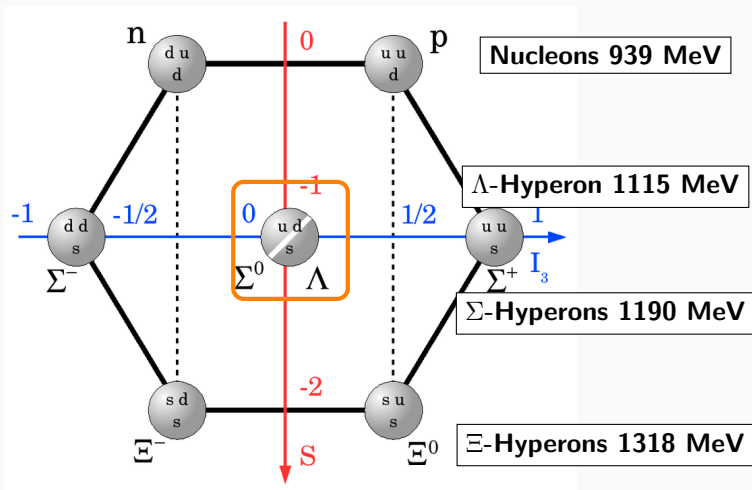
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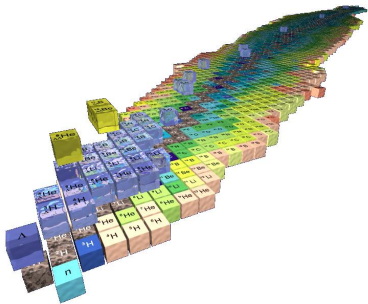
Introduction - the baryon octet





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Nuclei & Hypernuclei

≈ 3300 nuclear isotopes

≈ 40 single Lambda hypernuclei

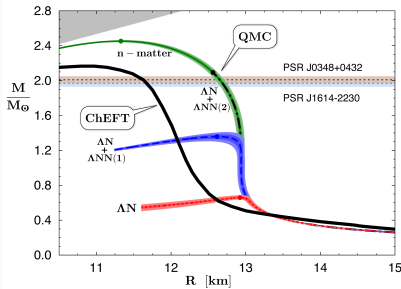
3 double Lambda hypernuclei

In neutron stars

Hyperons softens the EOS

Adding ΛNN -force stiffens the EOS

Lonardoni et al. PRL 114 (2015) 092301



Baryonic EFT

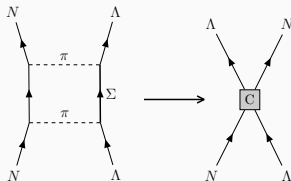
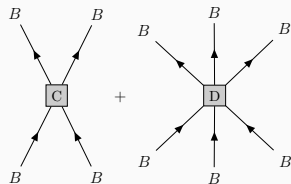


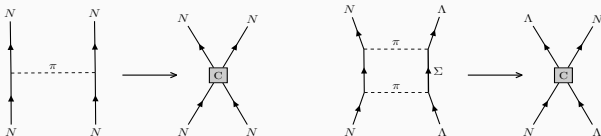
- $B = n, p, \Lambda$ are the only **DOF**.

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD}(q, G) \longrightarrow \mathcal{L}_{\chi EFT}(B, \pi, K) \longrightarrow \mathcal{L}(B)$$

- \mathcal{L} is expanded in powers of Q/M_h .
- Include contact terms and derivatives.
- Not too many parameters

$$\mathcal{L} = N^\dagger \left(i\partial_0 + \frac{\nabla^2}{2m} \right) N + \Lambda^\dagger \left(i\partial_0 + \frac{\nabla^2}{2m} \right) \Lambda + \mathcal{L}_{2B} + \mathcal{L}_{3B} + \dots$$





Accuracy for light nuclei

Nuclei The pion mass is our breaking scale M_h

$$\left(\frac{Q}{M_h} \right) = \frac{\sqrt{2B_N M_N}}{m_\pi} \approx 0.5 - 0.8$$

Seems to work better in practice as $\Delta B(^4\text{He}) \approx 10\%$

Hypernuclei No OPE therefore breaking scale is $2m_\pi$

$$\left(\frac{Q}{M_h} \right) = \frac{\sqrt{2B_\Lambda M_\Lambda}}{2m_\pi} \approx 0.3$$

At LO accuracy goes as $(Q/M_h)^2$



Two-body interaction

- Leading order,

$$V_{LO} = C_{00}$$

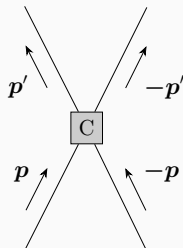
- NLO,

$$V_{NLO} = C_{20}p^2 + C_{02}p'^2$$

- N²LO,

$$V_{N^2LO} = C_{40}p^4 + C_{04}p'^4 + C_{22}p^2p'^2$$

- Symmetry $C_{nm} = C_{mn}$
- Regularization: $V \rightarrow F(\mathbf{p}'/\lambda) V F(\mathbf{p}/\lambda)$
- Normalization: $C_{nm} \rightarrow C_{nm}(\lambda)$
- Equivalent to the effective range expansion (van Kolck, Beane & Savage, ...).





1 The Wigner Bound Phillips, Beane and Cohen (1997-1998)

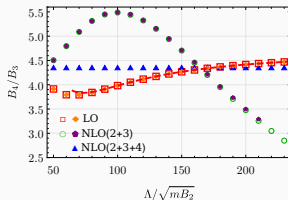
- The effective range is bounded by the cutoff $r_{\text{eff}} \leq W/\lambda$
- All orders but LO are perturbation (Kaplan, van Kolck, ...).

2 The Thomas collapse Bedaque, Hammer, and van Kolck (1999)

- With LO 2-body interaction $B_3 \propto \hbar\lambda^2/m$.
- A 3-body counter term must be introduced at LO.

3 NLO - no end to surprises Bazak et al. (2019)

- At NLO the 4-body system is unstable.
- Conclusion:** the 4-body force is promoted to NLO.





What do we have?

- LO and NLO \neq EFT fitted to low-energy experimental constraints
- No Coulomb (not a principle problem)
- The Schrödinger equation

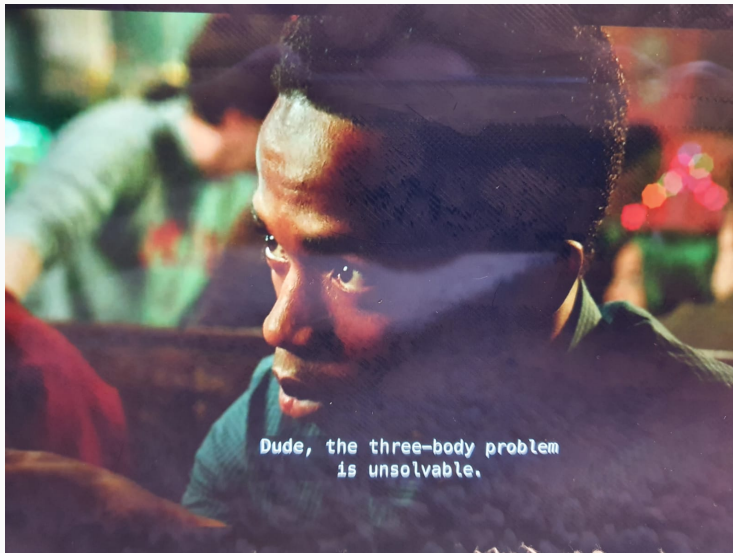
$$[T + V_{LO}] |\Psi_{LO}\rangle = E_{LO} |\Psi_{LO}\rangle \quad ; \quad \Delta E_{NLO} = \langle \Psi_{LO} | V_{NLO} | \Psi_{LO} \rangle$$

What do we want to know?

- Bound states, resonances, scattering

How do we get there?

- Gaussian basis functions
- Few-body bound states \Rightarrow SVM
- Scattering \Rightarrow Busch formula
- Complex rotation, analytic continuation \Rightarrow Resonances





- **Nuclear scattering**

Elastic s -wave scattering @NLO for $A \leq 5$

- **Λ hypernuclei (${}^A_{\Lambda}Z$)**

s -shell hypernuclei - overbinding of ${}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$

Hypernuclear resonances

- **$\Lambda\Lambda$ hypernuclei (${}^A_{\Lambda\Lambda}Z$)**

Onset of binding, $A=4$ or 5 ?

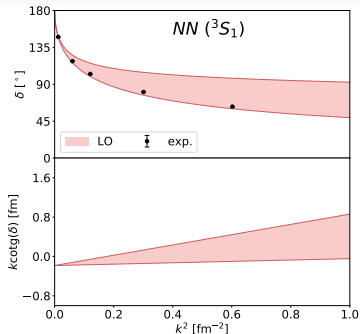
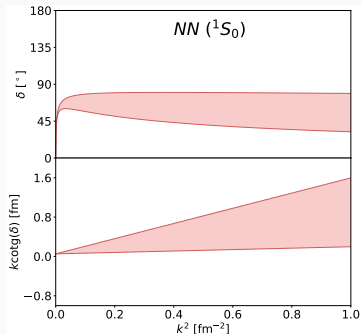
- **Charge symmetry breaking** (Martin's talk)

The Dalitz von Hippel parameters from SU(3) symmetry.

- **Nucleons in a box** (Betzalel's talk)

EFT matching of LQCD calcs.

The nuclear sector



Leading order (LO):

(exp. constraints)

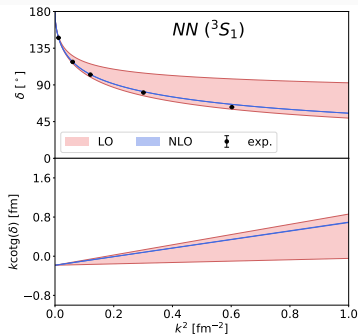
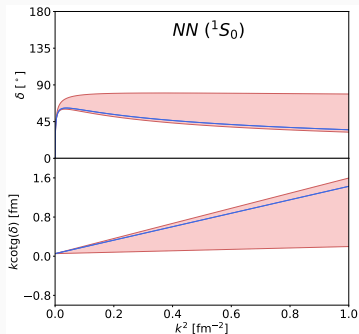
$$a_0^{nn} = -18.95(40) \text{ fm}$$

$$a_1^{np} = 5.419(7) \text{ fm}$$

$$B(^3\text{H}) = 8.482 \text{ MeV}$$

Effective range expansion:

$$k \cotg(\delta) = -\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{2}rk^2 + \dots$$



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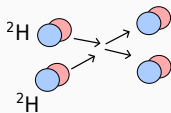
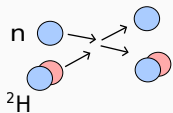
Next-to-leading order (NLO):

(exp. constraints)

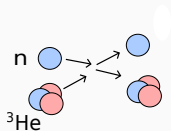
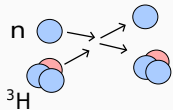
$$r_0^{nn} = 2.75(11) \text{ fm}$$

$$r_1^{nP} = 1.753(8) \text{ fm}$$

$$B(^4\text{He}) = 28.296 \text{ MeV}$$



Few-body s -wave scattering





1 Near-threshold ${}^3\text{H}^*$
virtual state

\Rightarrow pole of S-matrix

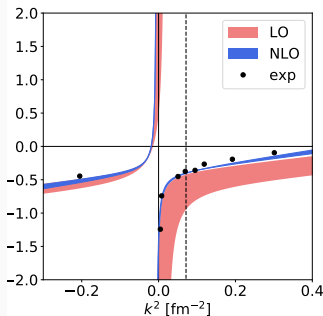
2 Near-threshold zero in
S-matrix

$$\frac{1}{k \cotg(\delta) - ik} = 0$$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow k_0} k \cotg(\delta) = \pm\infty$$

\Rightarrow modified ERE

$$k \cotg(\delta) = A + B k^2 + \frac{C}{(1 + D k^2)} \quad ; \quad a = -\frac{1}{A + C} \quad \text{and} \quad r = 2B$$

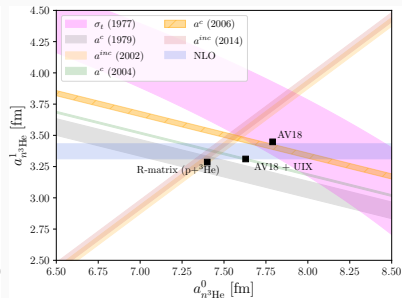
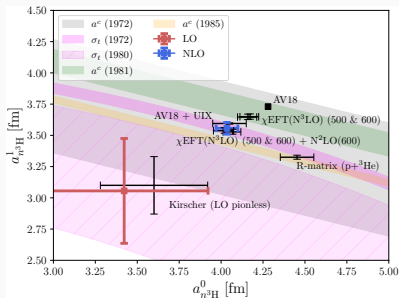


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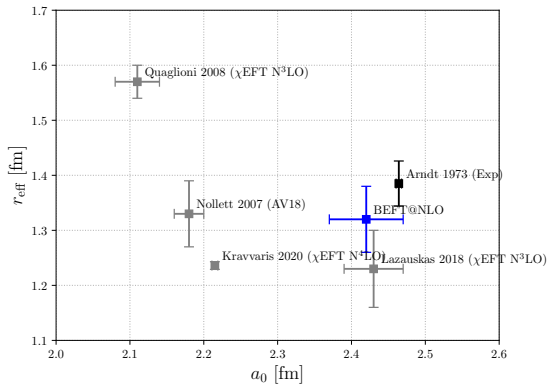
$$a_{n^2\text{H}}^{1/2} = 0.29 \text{ fm}$$

$$r_{n^2\text{H}}^{1/2} = 1.70 \text{ fm}$$

Experiment & Theory : $n + {}^3\text{H}$ and $n + {}^3\text{He}$ scattering lengths



Phys. Rev. C 42 (1990) 438; Phys. Rev. C 102 (2020) 034007; Few-Body Syst. 34 (2004) 105; Phys. Lett B 721 (2013) 355; Phys. Rev. C 68(R) (2003) 021002



Exp	a_0 [fm]	r_{eff} [fm]
Arndt 1973	2.4641 ± 0.0037	1.385 ± 0.041
Haun 2020	$2.4746^{+0.0017}_{-0.0011}$ [stat] [syst]	-

Light Hypernuclei @LO

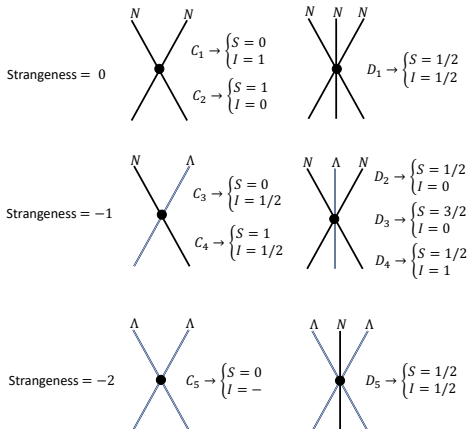


Data shortage

- Limited scattering data
- No real **low** energy data
- Only 5 known bound states for $A \leq 6$ (+mirror nuclei)
- No resonance data
- ...

Issues

- Contradicting results for life time and binding energy of ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$
- Charge symmetry breaking
- What is the onset of double Lambda binding?
- Stability of the Λnn system
- Overbinding of ${}^5\text{He}$
- ...



Nuclei:

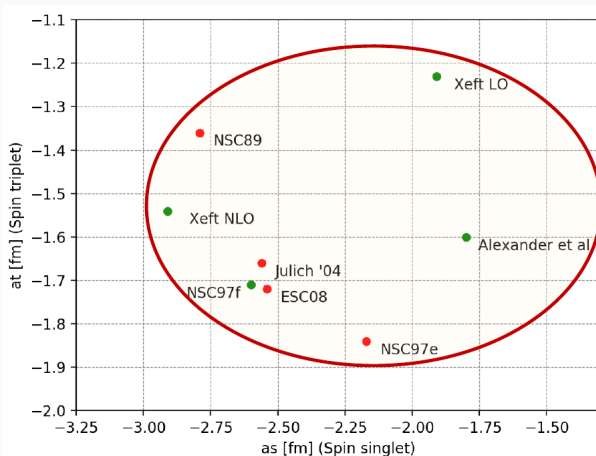
C_1, C_2 - NN scat. lengths
 D_1 - Triton B.E. $B(^3\text{H})$

Hypernuclei:

One $\Lambda\Lambda$ term
 Two $N\Lambda$ terms
 Three $NN\Lambda$ terms
 Single $N\Lambda\Lambda$ term
 No $\Lambda\Lambda\Lambda$ force at LO

How to fit the Λ & $\Lambda\Lambda$
 LECs?

L. Contessi, M. Schafer, N. Barnea, A. Gal, J. Mareš, PLB 797 (2019) 134893



A. Gal et al., Rev. Mod. Phys. 88 (2016) 035004



Heavy Ion Collisions

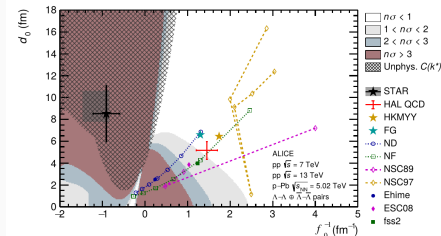
ALICE/STAR

- Scattering length $a_0 = -f_0$ and effective range d_0
- For $r_{eff} \rightarrow 0$: a_0 is bounded $|a_0| < 0.5$
- There is a possible bound $\Lambda\Lambda$ state

Analysis of $^{12}\text{C}(K^-, K^+ \Lambda\Lambda X)$ data

Scattering length $a_{\Lambda\Lambda} = -1.2 \pm 0.6$ fm

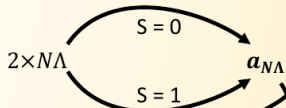
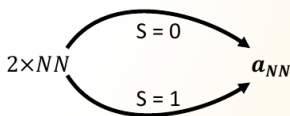
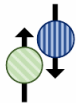
Gasparyan-Haidenbauer-Hanhart, PRC 85 (2012) 015204



ALICE Collaboration, Phys. Lett. B 797

(2019) 134822

Two body



$\Lambda\Lambda \longrightarrow a_{\Lambda\Lambda}$

No precise
Experimental data

NNN

${}^3\text{H}$

$3 \times N\Lambda\Lambda$



${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$

~~${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$~~

~~${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{He}$~~

~~${}^3_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{H}$~~

$\rightarrow {}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H} (S = 0, I = 1/2)$

$\rightarrow {}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H} (S = 1, I = 1/2)$

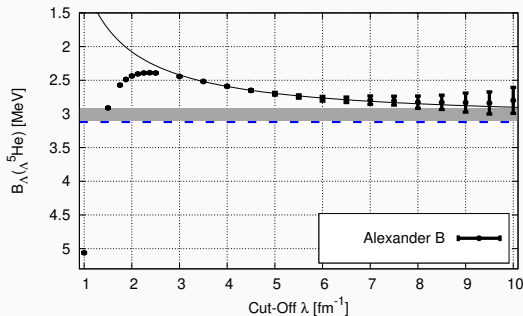
$\rightarrow {}^6_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{He}$

Three body





$B_{\Lambda}({}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He})$ vs. cut-off λ in
LO $\not\neq$ EFT



L.Contessi N.Barnea A.Gal, PRL 121 (2018) 102502

With Alexander B scattering lengths a_s, a_t $\not\neq$ EFT reproduces
 $B_{\Lambda}({}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He})$

Cut-off dependence

$$\frac{B_{\Lambda}(\lambda)}{B_{\Lambda}(\infty)} = 1 + \frac{\alpha}{\lambda} + \frac{\beta}{\lambda^2} + \dots$$

Double-Lambda Hypernuclei



Jaffe predicted **stable** $\mathbf{H}(uuddss)$ PRL 38 (1977) 195

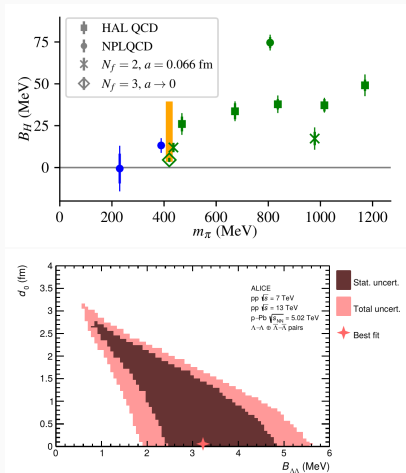
$$\mathbf{H} \sim \mathcal{A}[\sqrt{1/8} \Lambda\Lambda + \sqrt{1/2} N\Xi - \sqrt{3/8} \Sigma\Sigma], I=S=0$$

- To forbid ${}^6_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{He} \rightarrow \text{H} + {}^4\text{He}$, impose $B(H) \leq 7 \text{ MeV}$.

- Weakly bound H in LQCD calculations at unphysical pion mass

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- A bound H is not ruled out in $\Lambda\Lambda$ correlation femtoscopy; ALICE - PLB 797 (2019) 134822.

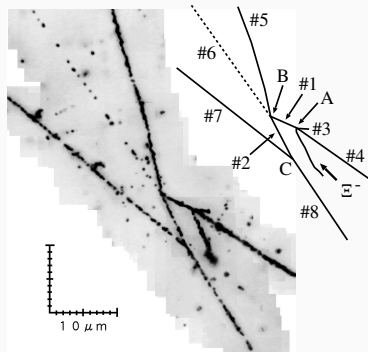




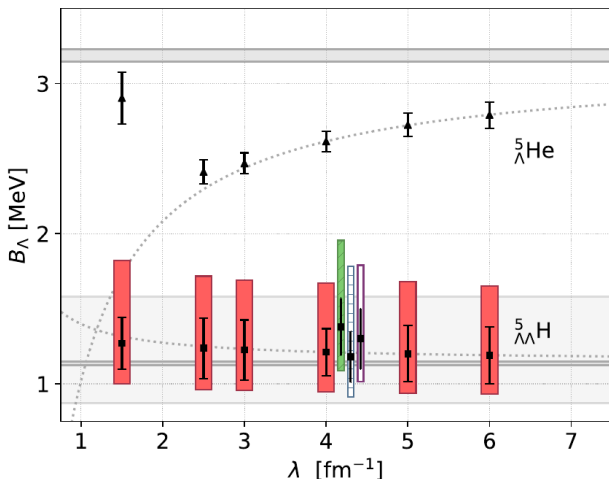
The Nagara event - ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}{}^6\text{He}$
(KEK-E373)

$$B_{\Lambda\Lambda}({}_{\Lambda\Lambda}{}^6\text{He}_{\text{g.s.}}) = 6.91 \pm 0.16 \text{ MeV}$$

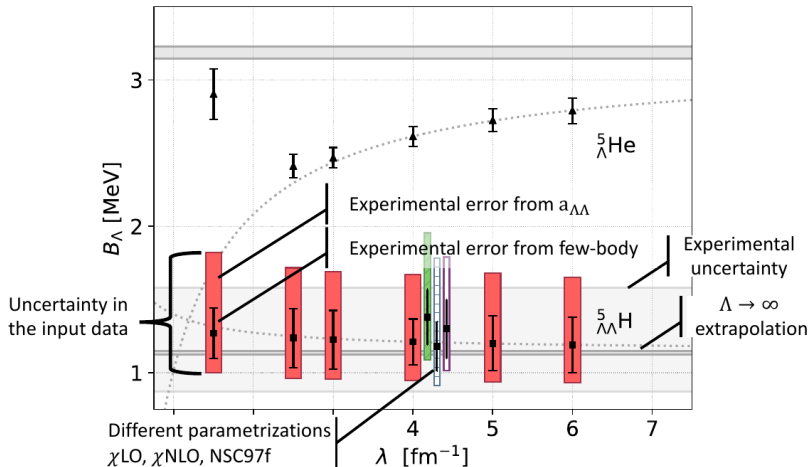
unambiguously determined.



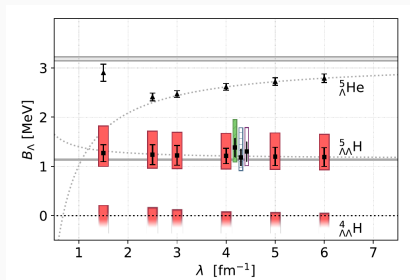
- Ξ^- capture $\Xi^- + {}^{12}\text{C} \rightarrow {}_{\Lambda\Lambda}{}^6\text{He} + t + \alpha$
- Weak decay ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}{}^6\text{He} \rightarrow {}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He} + p + \pi^-$ (no ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}{}^6\text{He} \rightarrow {}^4\text{He} + H$)
- ${}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ nonmesic weak decay to 2 $Z=1$ recoils + n.



Binding ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^5H = 1.14(1)_{-(25)}^{+(44)} \text{MeV}$

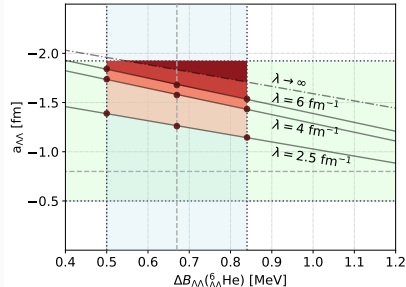


$$\text{Binding } {}_{\Lambda\Lambda}{}^5H = 1.14(1)_{-25}^{+44} \text{ MeV}$$



B_Λ vs. $\not\chi$ EFT cutoff λ

Contessi-Schafer-Barnea-Gal-Mareš, PLB 797 (2019) 134893.



Binding of $\Lambda\Lambda^4H$

The question of $\Lambda\Lambda^4H$ binding depends on the input data

$$\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda}({}^6_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{He}) = B_{\Lambda\Lambda}({}^6_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{He}) - 2B_\Lambda({}^5_{\Lambda}\text{H})$$

Conclusions: $\Lambda\Lambda^5\text{H}$ bound, $\Lambda\Lambda^4\text{H}$ unlikely

to bind $|a_{\Lambda\Lambda}| > 1.5 \text{ fm}$, larger $\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda}({}^6_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{He})$



Constraint (MeV)	${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^3\text{n}$	${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^4\text{n}$	${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^4\text{H}$	${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^5\text{H}$	${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^6\text{He}$
$\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda}({}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^6\text{He})=0.67$	–	–	–	1.21	3.28
$B_{\Lambda}({}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^4\text{H})=0.05$	–	–	0.05	2.28	4.76
$B({}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^4\text{n})=0.10$	–	0.10	0.86	4.89	7.89
$B({}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^3\text{n})=0.10$	0.10	15.15	18.40	22.13	25.66

Λ separation energies $B_{\Lambda}({}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^AZ)$

Calculated using

- $a_{\Lambda\Lambda} = -0.8$ fm
- Alexander[B] ΛN interaction model
- Cutoff $\lambda = 4$ fm⁻¹
- In each row a $\Lambda\Lambda N$ LEC was fitted to the underlined binding energy constraint.

Continuum states

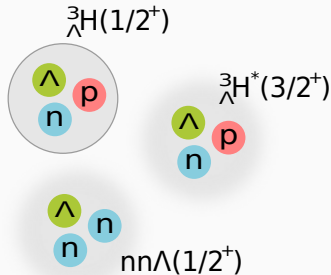


${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}^*(3/2^+)$

- no experimental evidence
- JLab C12-19-002 proposal

$\Lambda\text{nn}(1/2^+)$

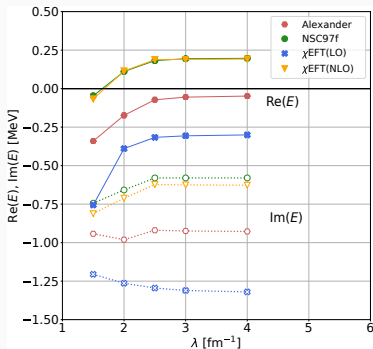
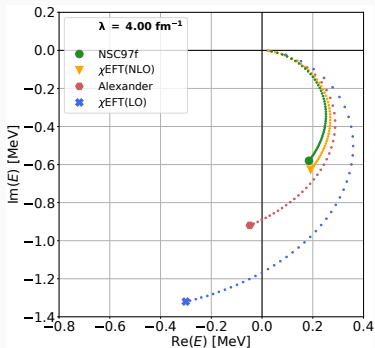
- experiment (HypHI)
- JLab E12-17-003 experiment



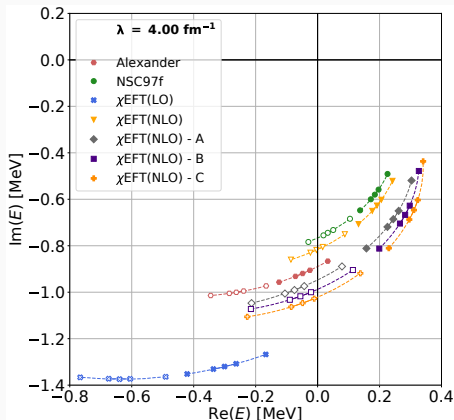
Calculating resonance states is a **non-trivial** task

We have used two techniques:

- Complex scaling method (CSM)
- Inverse analysis continuation in coupling constraint (IACCC)



- Λ_{nn} resonance pole moves with increasing cut-off towards physical Riemann sheet



- Full symbols

$$B_\Lambda({}^3_\Lambda\text{H}) = 0.13(5) \text{ MeV}$$

- Empty symbols

$$B_\Lambda({}^3_\Lambda\text{H}) = 0.41(12) \text{ MeV}$$

\Rightarrow increasing $B_\Lambda({}^3_\Lambda\text{H})$ shifts Λ_{nn} resonance pole towards the third quadrant

$\Rightarrow B_\Lambda({}^3_\Lambda\text{H})$ experimental error yields considerable uncertainty in $E_{\Lambda_{nn}}$ prediction

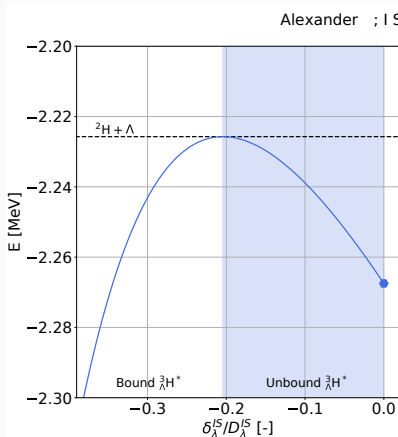
\Rightarrow

$$\Gamma_{\Lambda_{nn}} = -2\text{Im}(E_{\Lambda_{nn}}) \geq 0.8 \text{ MeV}$$

What about the ${}^3_{\Lambda}H^*$ pole?

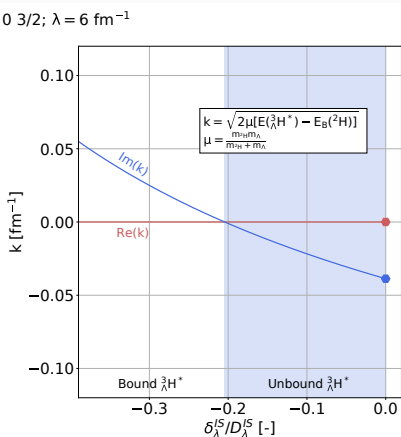
CSM

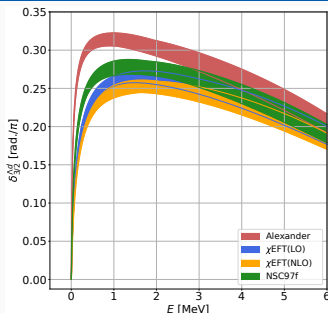
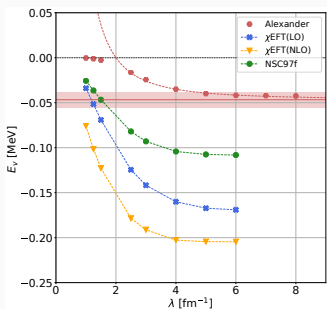
⇒ no sign of resonance



IACCC

⇒ $\delta(\kappa)$, $\kappa = -ik = -i\sqrt{E}$





- ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}^*$ virtual state - for all considered cut-offs and scattering lengths
- Nice convergence with cut-off
- At LO \neq EFT the virtual state is about 0.02- 0.25 MeV near the ${}^2\text{H} + \Lambda$ threshold
- We see its trace in the $\Lambda - d$ cross-section



Summary



All described together
(No overbinding problem!)



Solidaly bound



Virtual state



Marginal case
needs better scattering data



Unbound



Physical resonance?

