

AntiKaon-deuteron measurements at Frascati. A new era of hadron-hadron interaction measurements.

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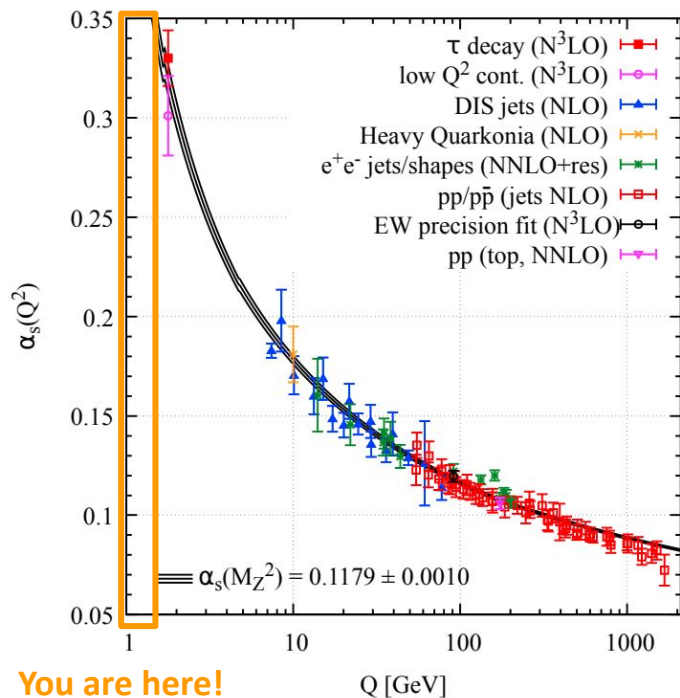
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from high-energy physics
to nuclear physics

Hadron-hadron strong interactions with strangeness

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Running coupling constant defines the boundaries of “Low energy QCD”

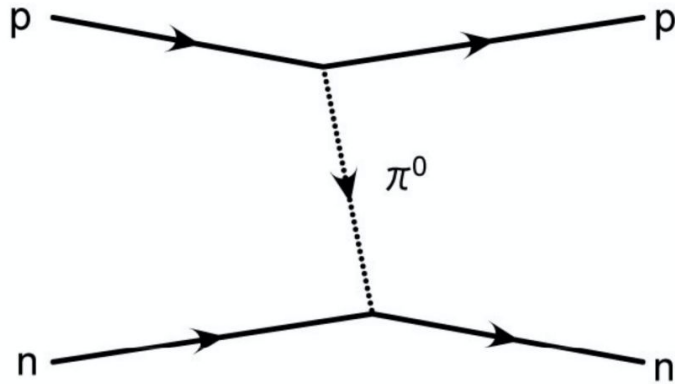
- Q ~ 1 GeV, R ~ 1 fm

- Perturbative methods not applicable

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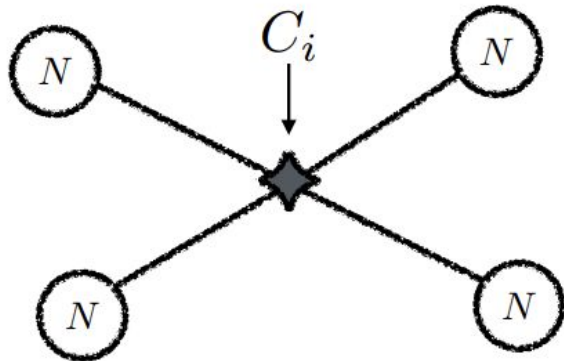
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$$\mathcal{L}_{EFT}[\pi, N, \dots; m_\pi, m_N, \dots, C_i]$$

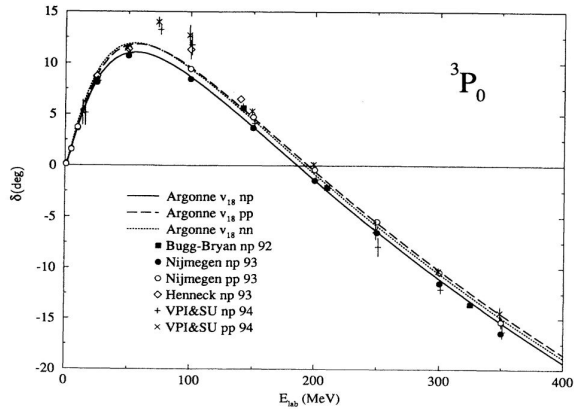
Effective theories (EFT)

- Hadrons as degrees of freedom
- Low-energy EFT coefficients constraint by data

Hadron-hadron interactions (with strangeness)

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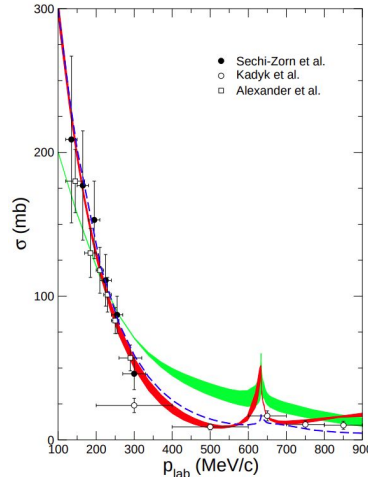
NN → NN



R. B. Wiringa, V. G. J. Stoks, R. Schiavilla Phys. Rev. C 51, 38 (1995)

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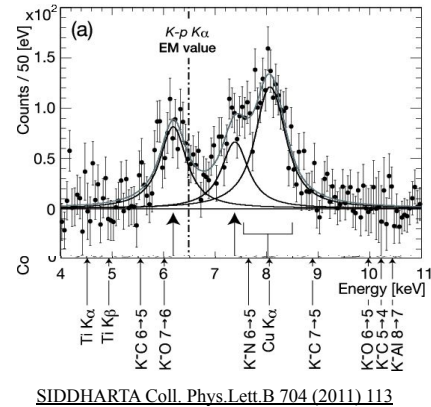
$\Lambda p \rightarrow \Lambda p$



LO: H. Polinder, J. Haidenbauer, U. Meißner, Nucl. Phys. A779 (2006) 244.
NLO: J. Haidenbauer et al., Nucl. Phys. A915 (2013) 24.

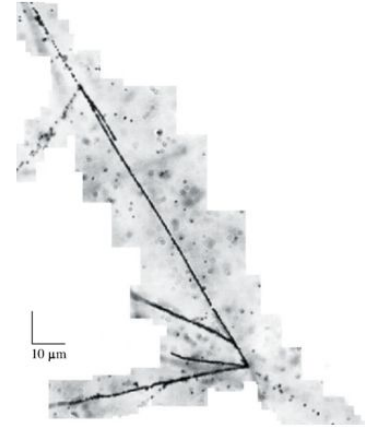
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Kaonic atoms



KISO event: [K. Nakazawa et al., Prog. Theor. Exp. Phys. 2015, 033D02](#)
IBUKI event [J-PARC E07 Coll., Phys. Rev. Lett. 126, 062501 \(2021\)](#)

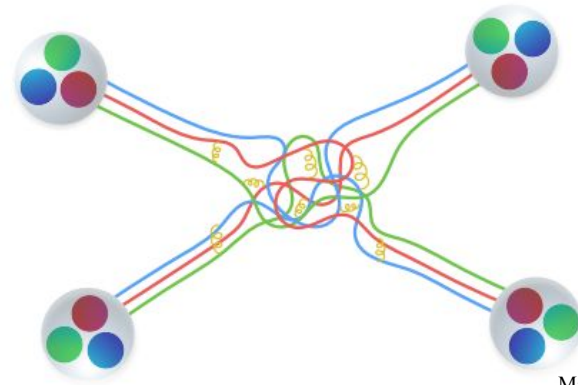
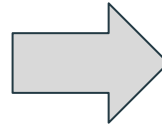
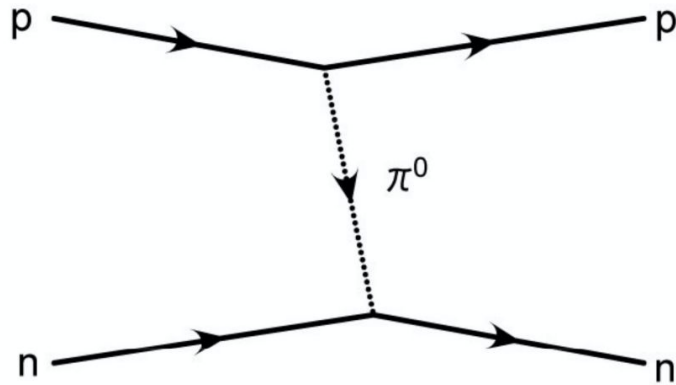
$\Lambda\Lambda, \Xi$ hypernuclei



Experimental data

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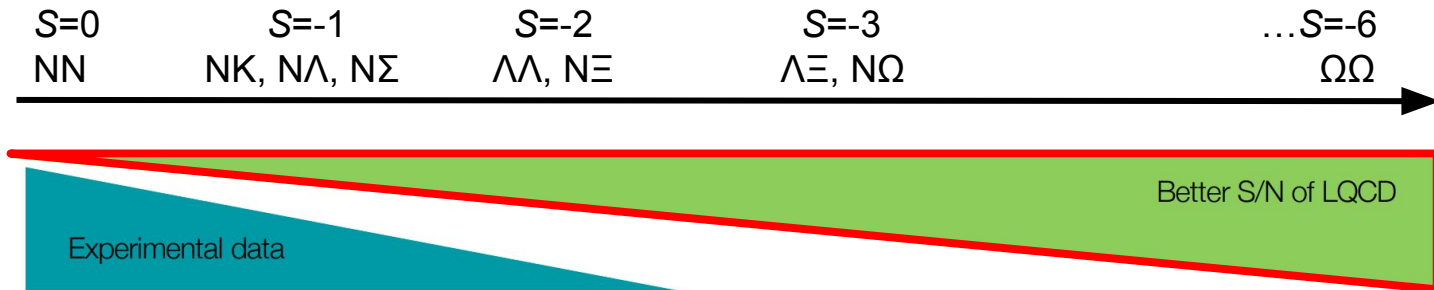
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$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD}[q, \bar{q}, A; m_q, \alpha_s]$$

Lattice QCD

- Understanding of the interaction starting from **quark and gluons**

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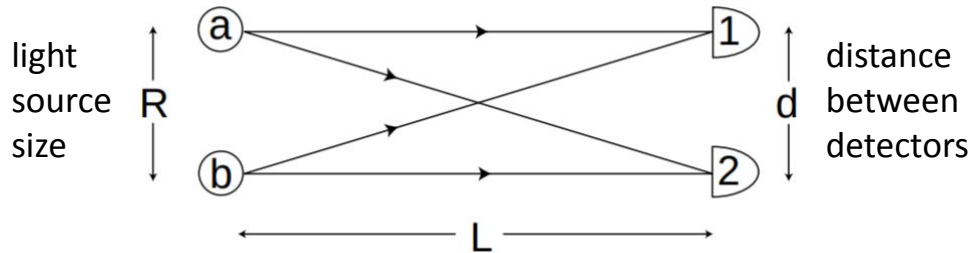
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Femtoscscopy

Femtoscscopy method in nuclear collisions

Method defined by HBT interferometry

- based in the **measurement of the correlation function** $C(\vec{d}) = \frac{\langle I_1 I_2 \rangle}{\langle I_1 \rangle \langle I_2 \rangle}$



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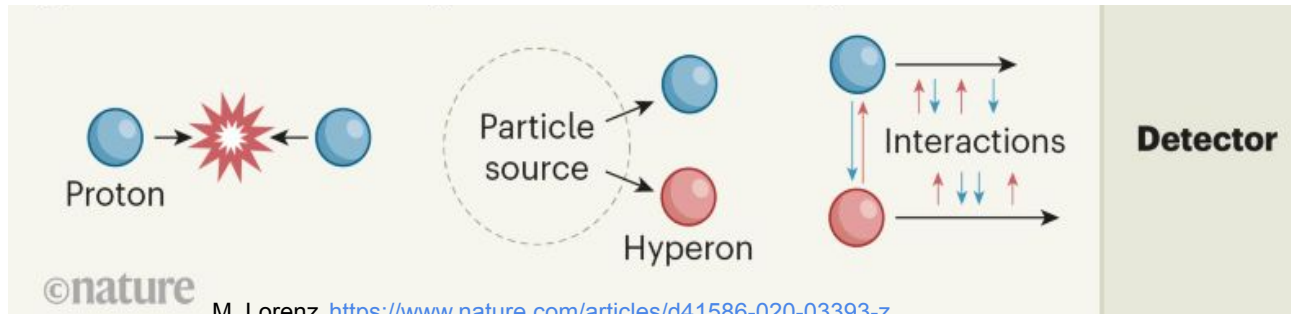
⇒ Application to Heavy Ion Collisions

Measurement of the particle source

- based on the correlation function of two particles emitted in the collision

$$C(\vec{p}_a, \vec{p}_b) = \frac{P(\vec{p}_a, \vec{p}_b)}{P(\vec{p}_a)P(\vec{p}_b)}$$

⇒ Application to Small Systems



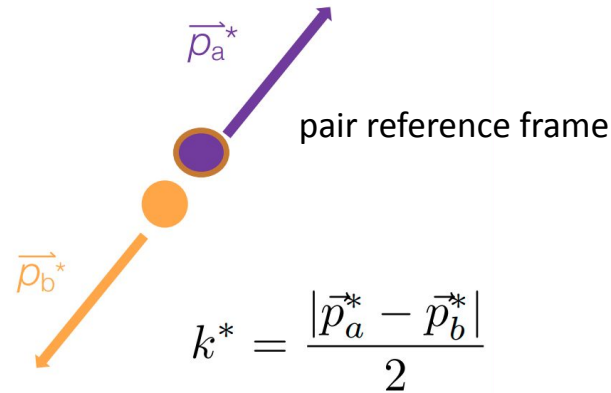
Experimental correlation function

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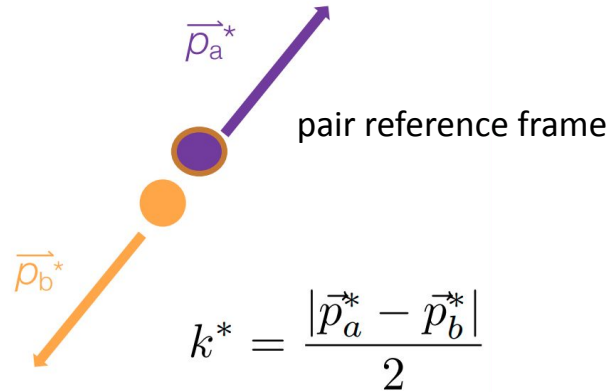
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- Normalization
- Resolution effects
- **Residual correlations**

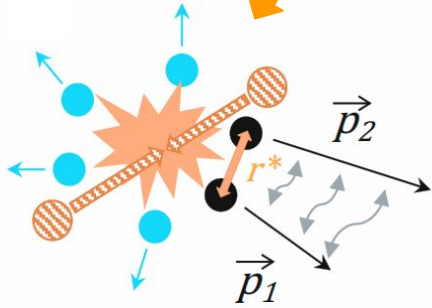


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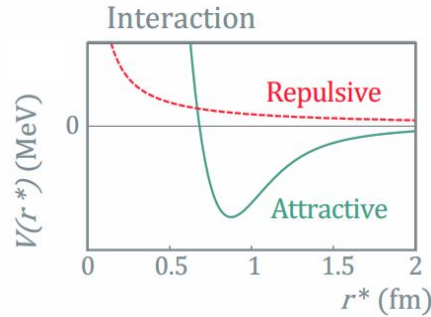
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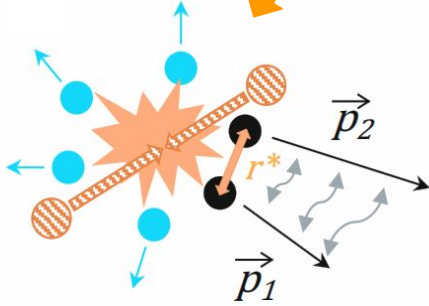
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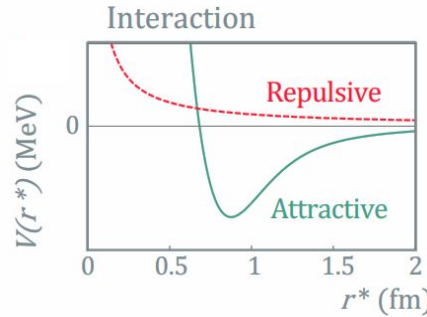
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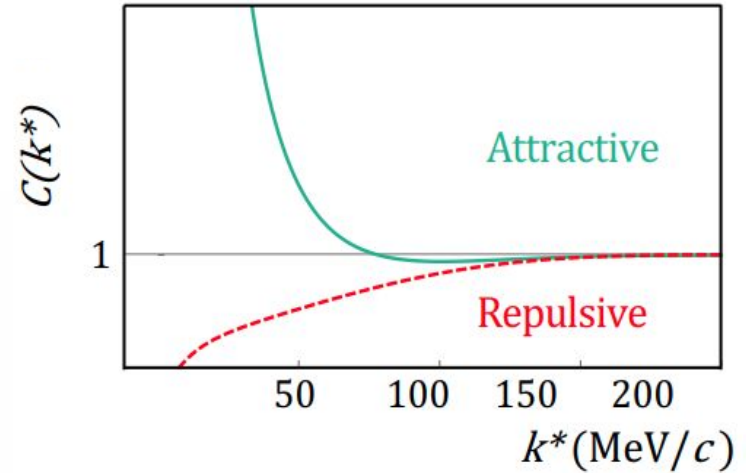


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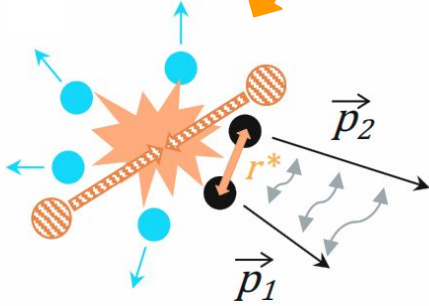
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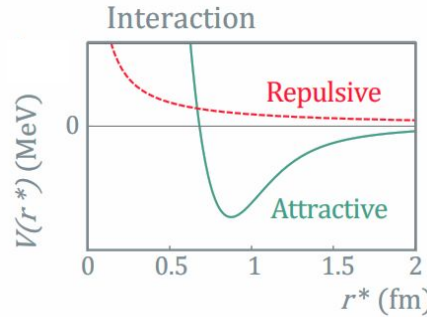


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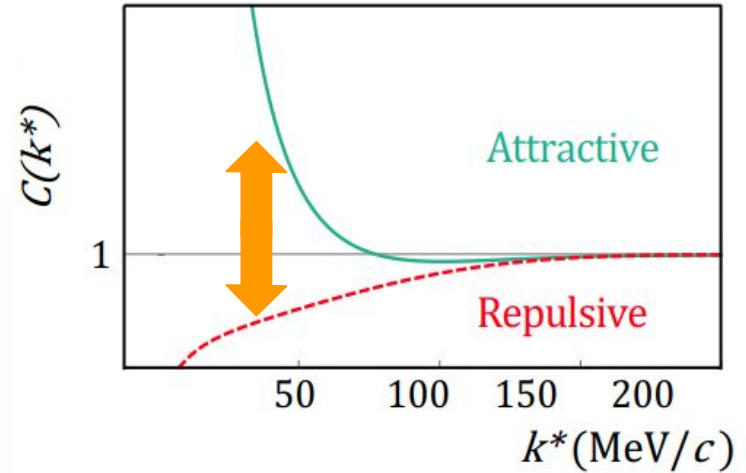


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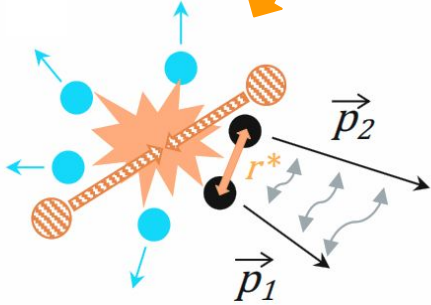
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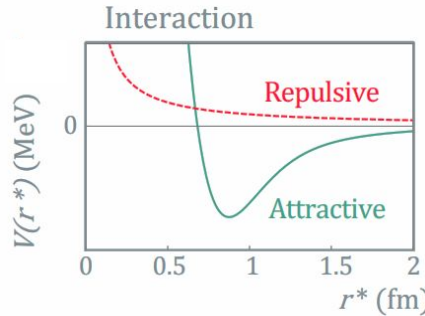


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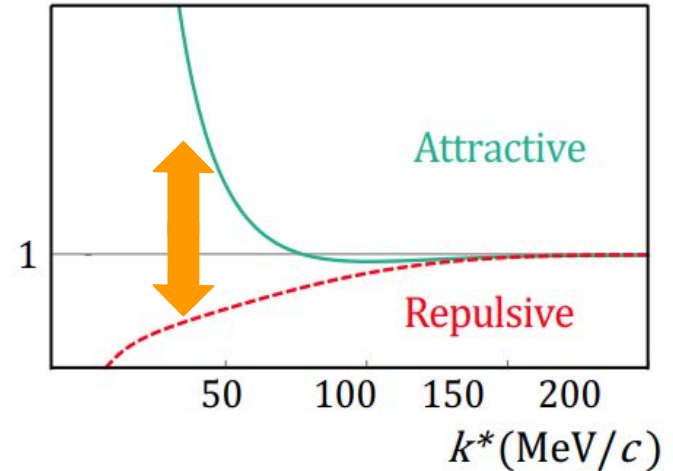
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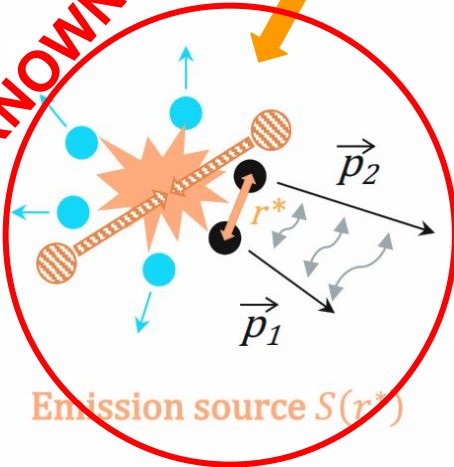
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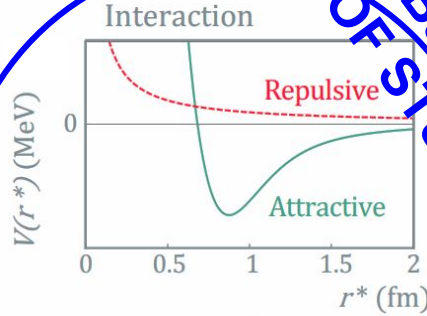
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OBJECT OF STUDY



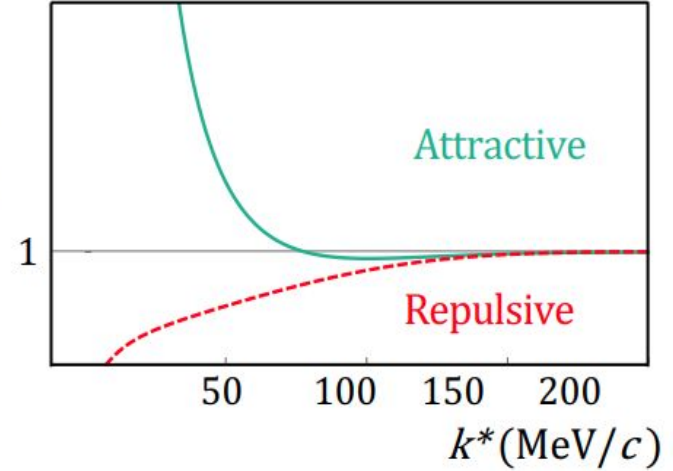
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Femtoscscopy method in small systems

“Traditional” femtoscopy analyses in Heavy Ions Collisions:

Study pairs of particles with “known” interaction

⇒ **Determine the characteristics of the source** (sizes 3-10 fm)

“Non-traditional” femtoscopy

⇒ **Study the interaction** given a known source

Applied to small collision systems ~1fm

Femtoscscopy in small systems with ALICE

Femtoscscopy at the LHC with ALICE

LHC



Small collision systems:

- pp $\sqrt{s} = 7, 13$ TeV

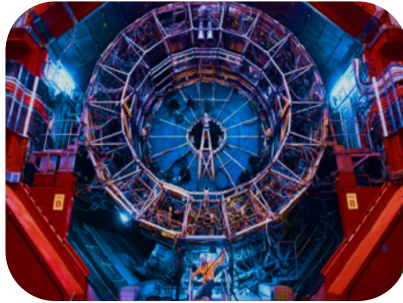
⇒ size of particle
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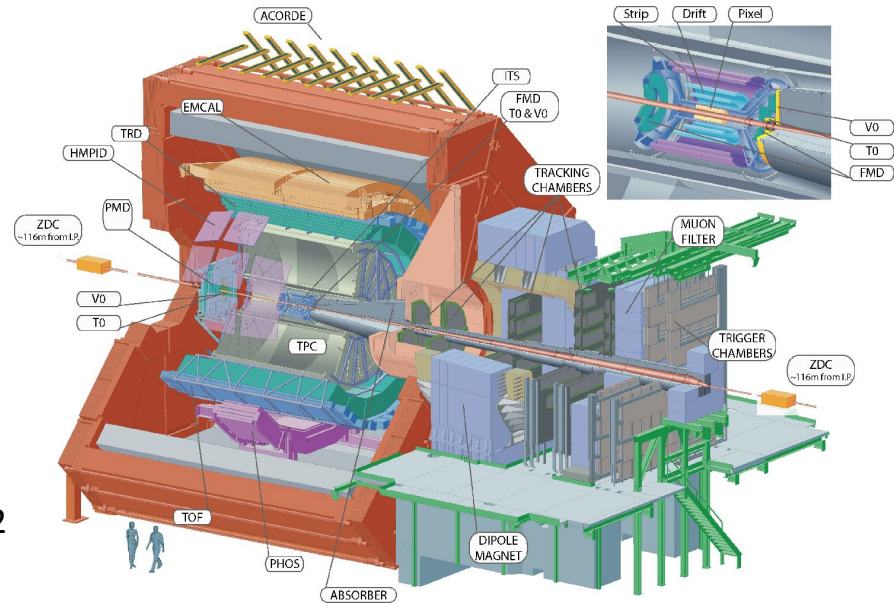


ALICE



Central barrel tracking and PID:

- Reconstruction of charged particles: p , π , K .
- **Hyperon reconstruction** through weak decays
 $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi$, $\Xi \rightarrow \Lambda\pi$, $\Omega \rightarrow \Lambda K$



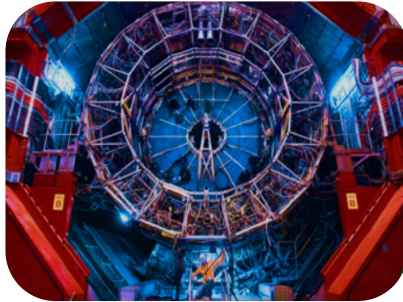
ALICE in Run 1 & 2

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ALICE



Study of hadron strong interactions

Femtoscscopy: Precise data in the low momentum range, hardly accessible with other approaches



[ALICE Coll. *Nature* 588, 232 \(2020\)](#)

High-energy physics
Proton collisions
probe nuclear force
for exotic particles

1st step: Setting the source [ALICE Coll., Phys. Lett. B 811 \(2020\) 135849](#)

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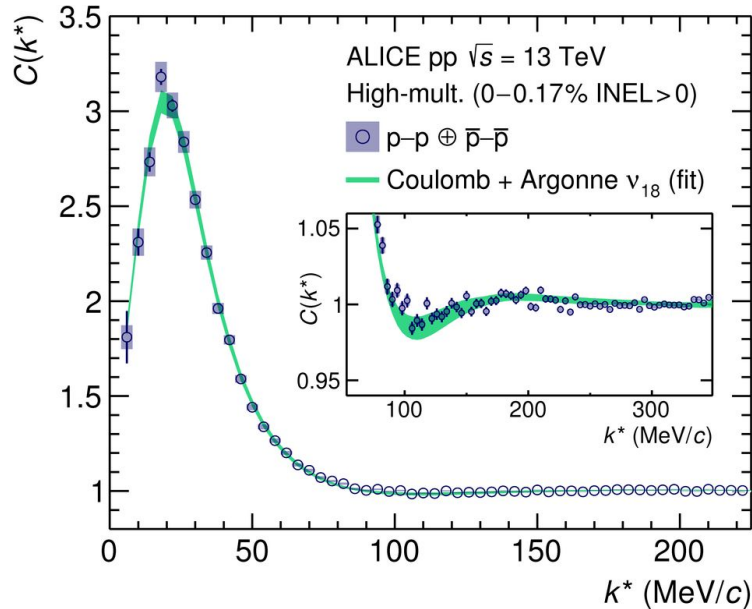
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⇒ Fit of the radius of the source of p-p pairs in p-p collisions.

The size source here is the only fit parameter

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Determine **gaussian “core” radius as a function of pair $\langle m_T \rangle$**
- **Common to all hadron-hadron pairs**



Effect of strong short-lived resonances
Adds exponential tail to the source profile
→ Angular distributions from EPOS

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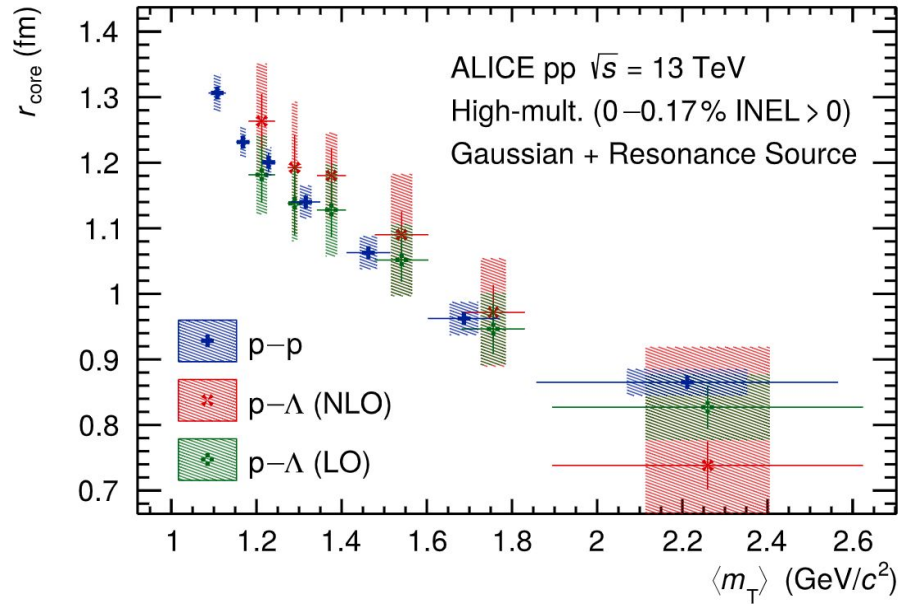
→ Production fraction/lifetimes (Statistical Hadronization Model)

F. Becattini and G. Passaleva Eur.Phys.J.C 23 (2002) 551-583

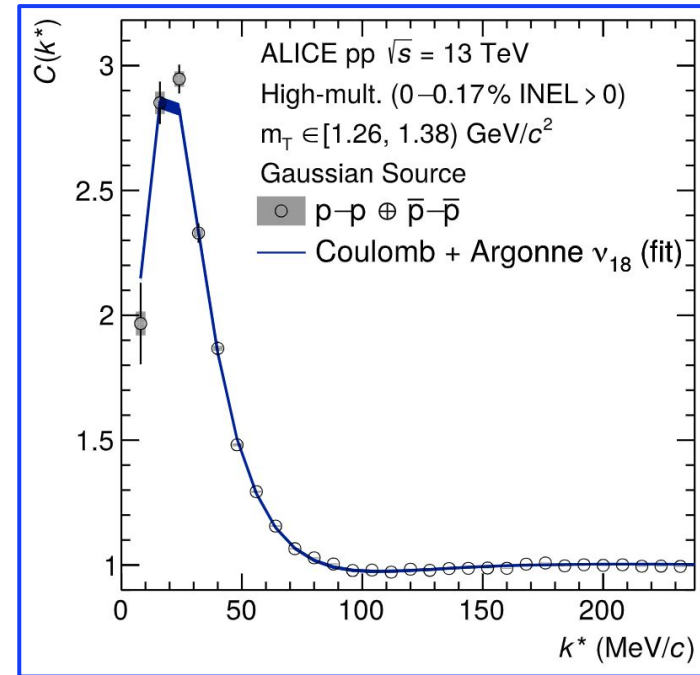
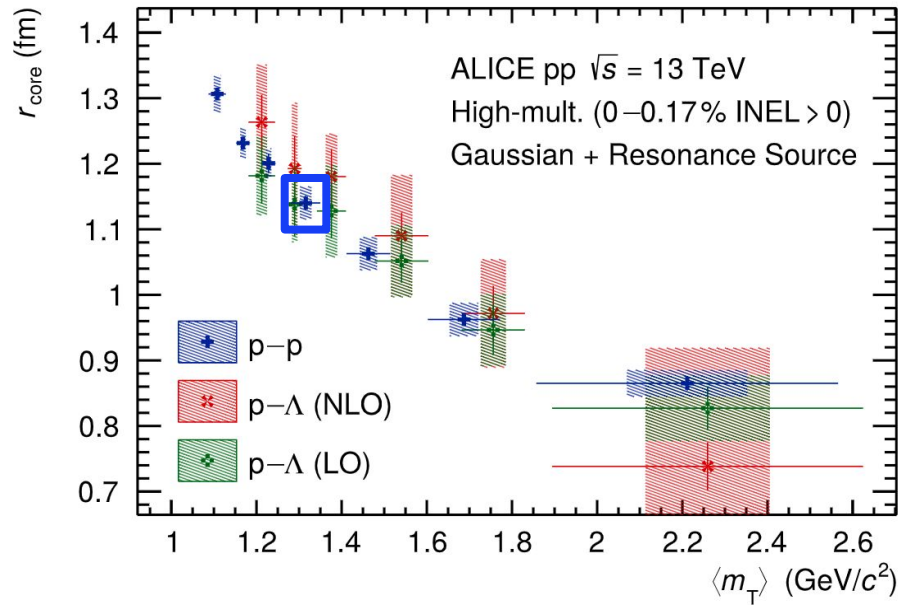
→ Angular distributions (EPOS event generator)

T. Pierog et al.m PRC 92 (2015) 3, 034906

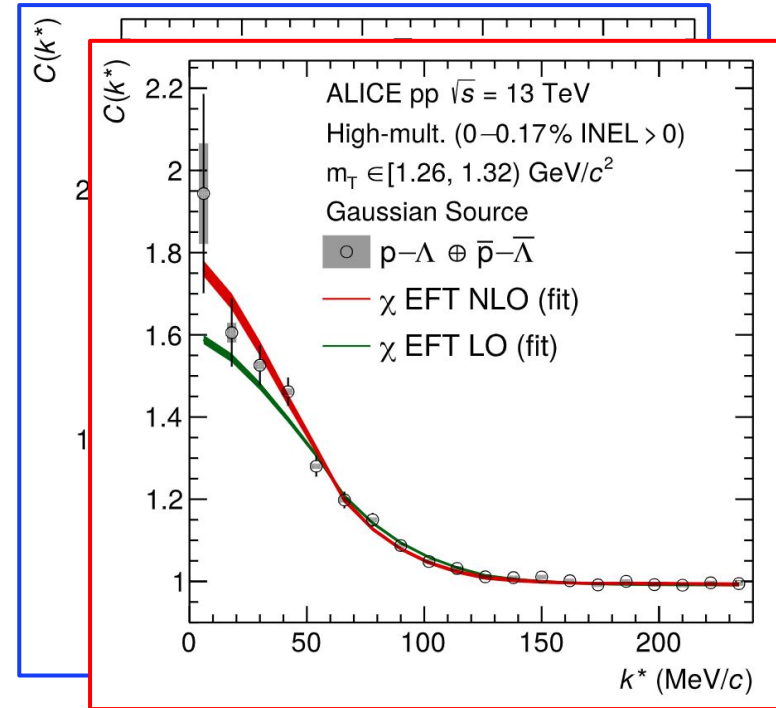
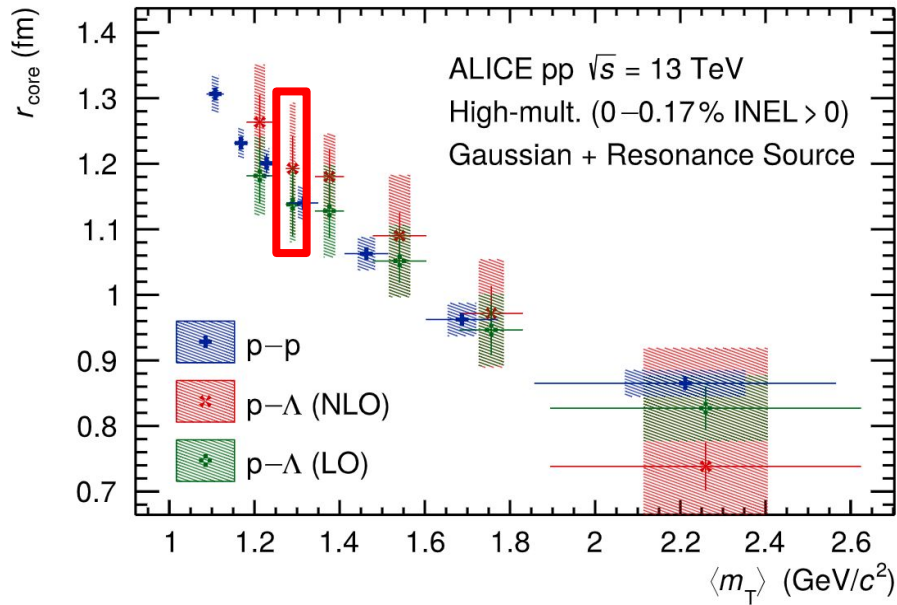
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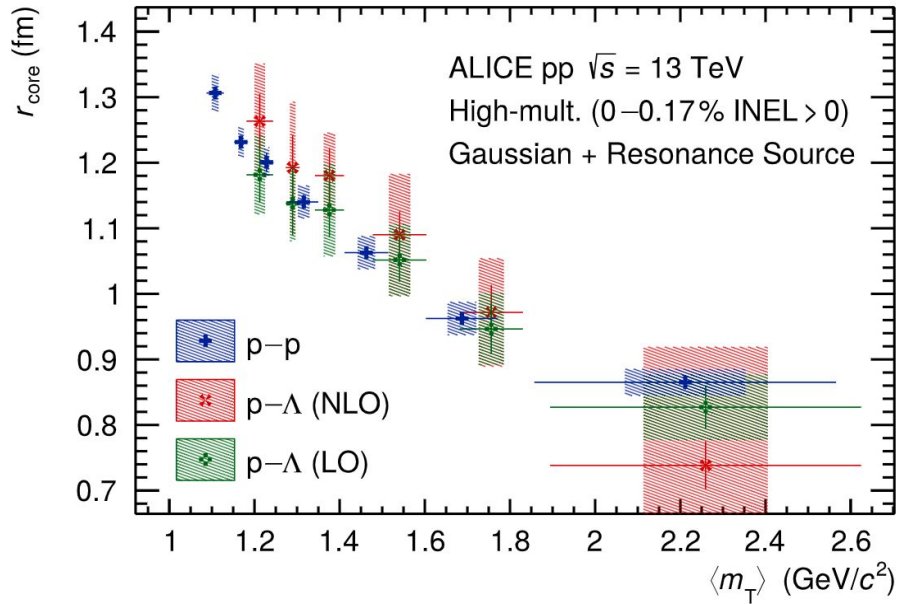


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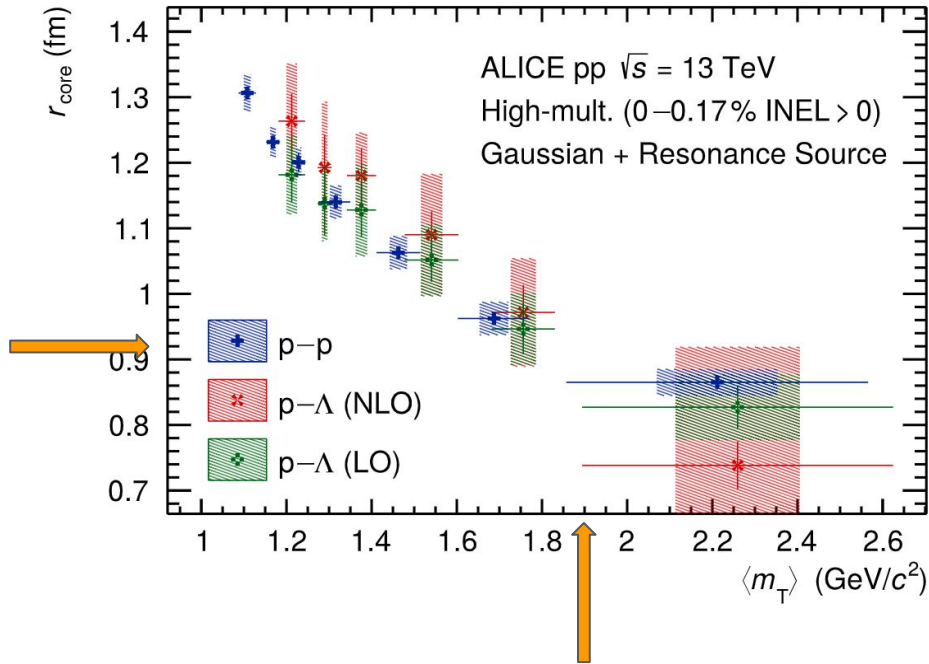


Dependence of the source size with $\langle m_T \rangle$
related to collective phenomena

“HIC”-like features being observed now in small systems:

- strangeness enhancement
- collective flow

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Source **size determined given the pair $\langle m_T \rangle$**
 and **considering the effect of strong resonances**
 for the particles of the pair of interest

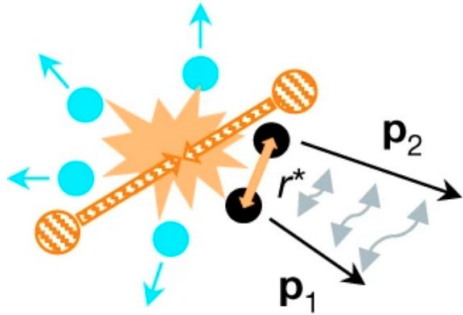
Example:

$\mathbf{p-\Xi^-}$: $\langle m_T \rangle = 1.9$ GeV/c $\Rightarrow r_{\text{core}} = 0.92 \pm 0.05$ fm

strong resonances
 effect

$\Rightarrow r_{\text{gauss}} = 1.02 \pm 0.05$ fm

Femtoscscopy for hadron-hadron interactions: What can we do this tool?



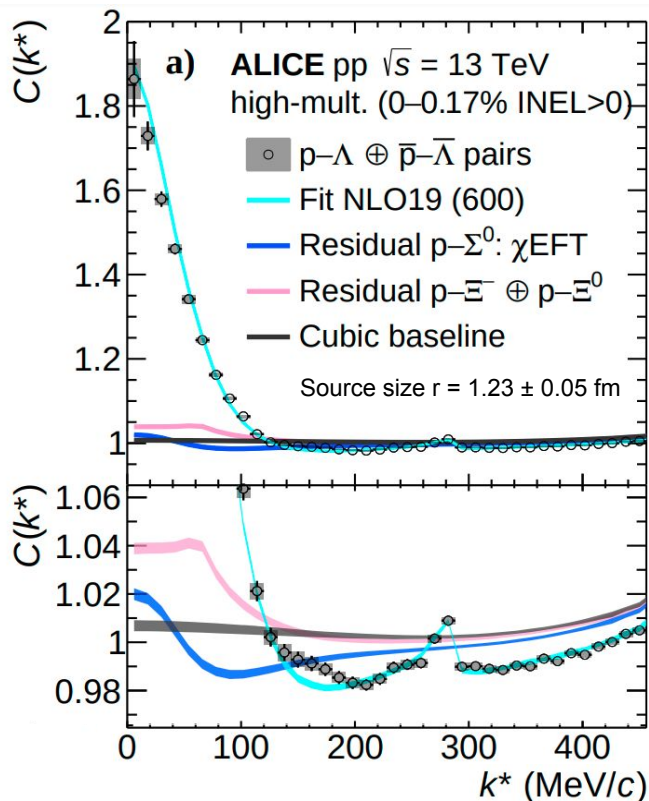
Precise data in the low momentum range to hadron-hadron interaction with unprecedented precision

Test of first principle calculations (and other models) and...

- Study **coupled-channel systems**
- **Equation of State** of neutron stars
- **Search for new bound states** beyond the deuteron

Coupled-channels: p - Λ correlation function

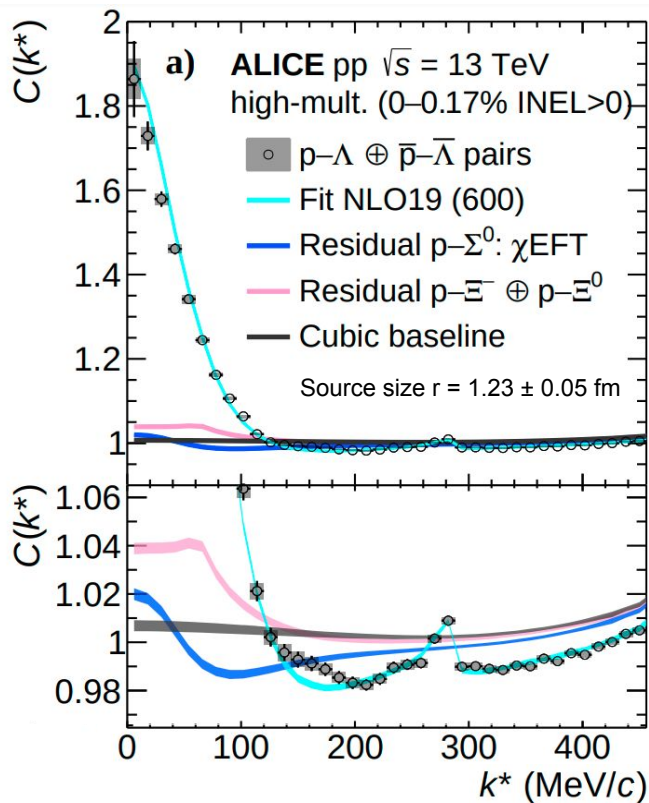
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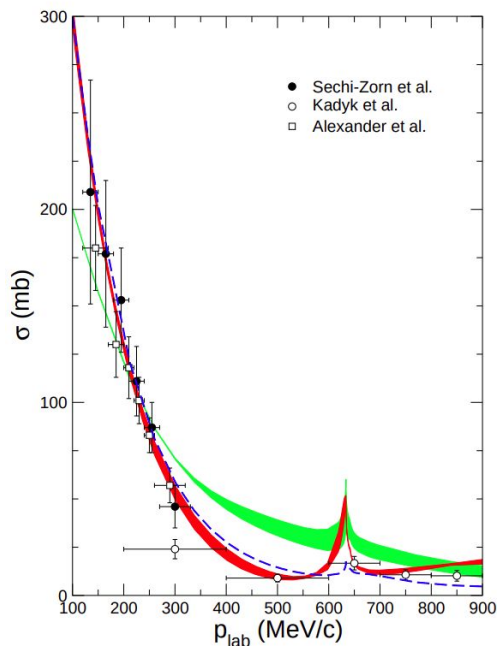
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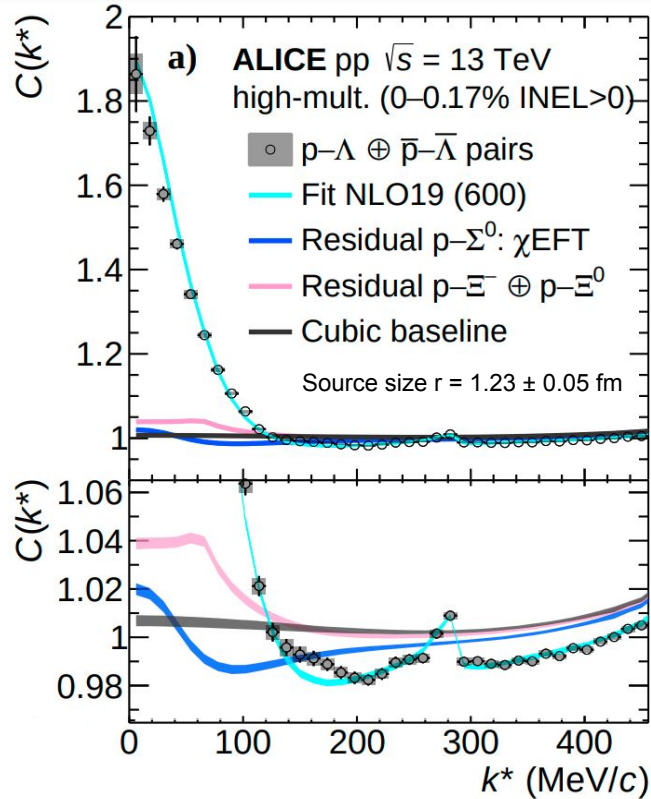


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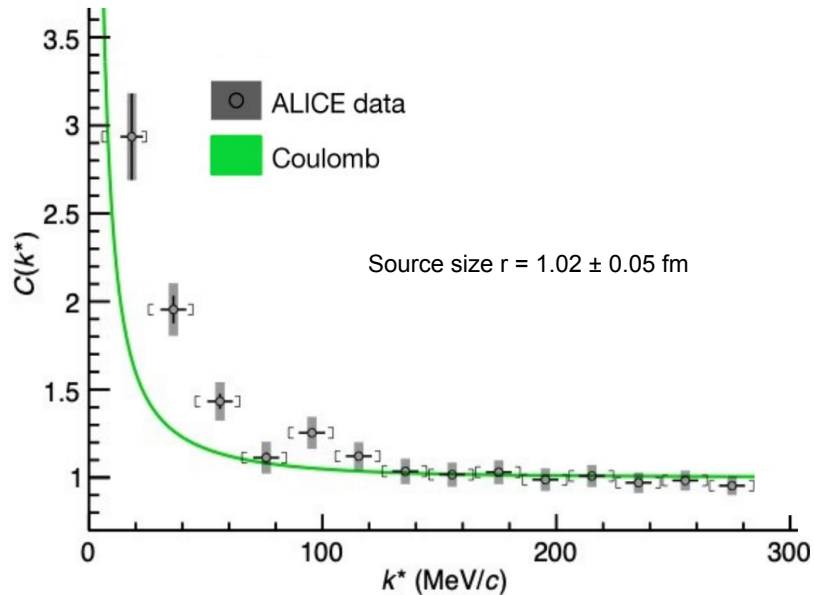
- Most precise measurements on the p - Λ interaction
- **Test strengths of the $N\Sigma \leftrightarrow N\Lambda$ transition**
- Hyperons in NS?: Exact composition strongly depends on constituent interactions and couplings

Theory: Haidenbauer et al., Eur. Phys. J. A 56 (2020) 91

Hyperons in NS: $p-\Xi^-$ correlation function

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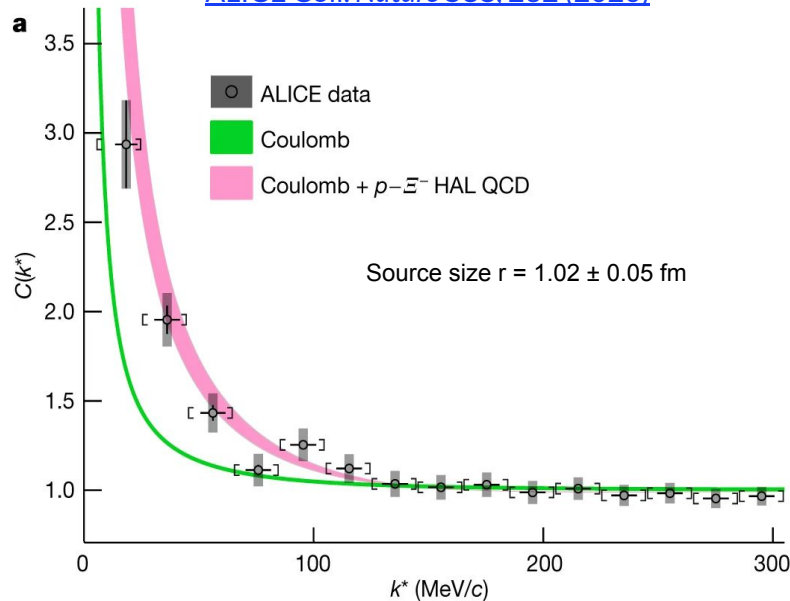


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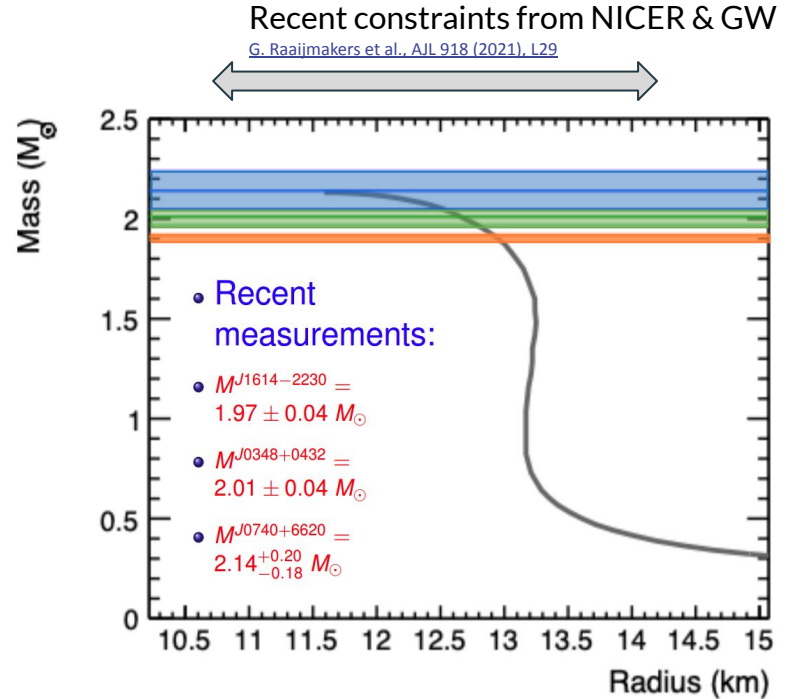
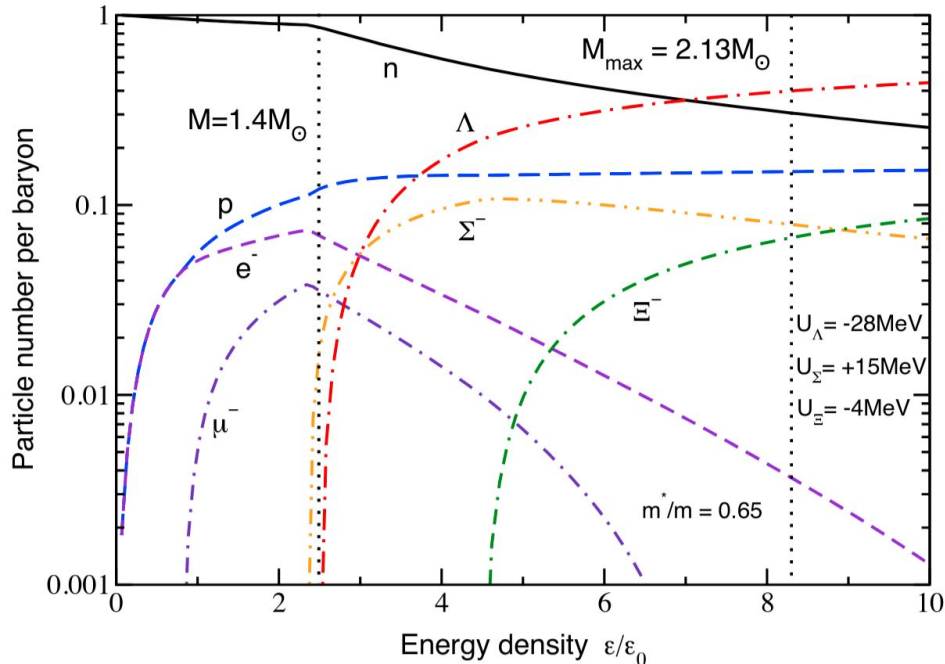
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Hyperons in NS

Lattice: slightly repulsive single particle potential in PNM for Ξ

⇒ Ξ appears at larger densities in NS

⇒ Stiffer EoS

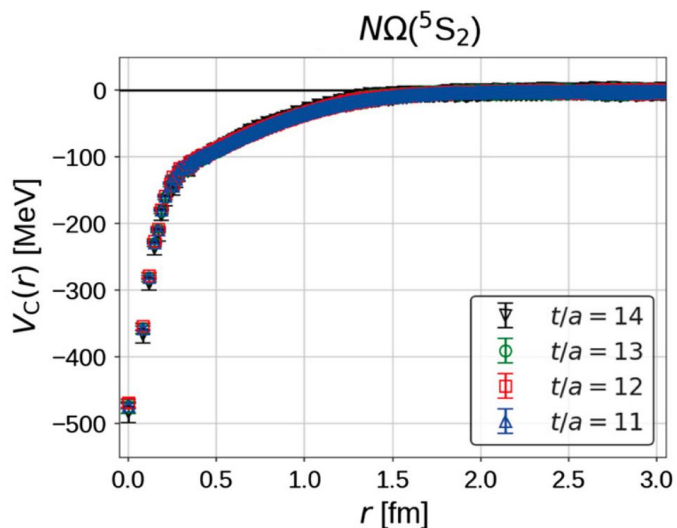


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Di-baryon states: $p-\Omega^-$ correlation function

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T. Iritani et al. (HAL QCD Coll.) Phys. Lett. B792 (2019) 284

Interaction of $p-\Omega^-$ pairs in 5S_2 state by HAL QCD

Predicts the formation of a $p-\Omega^-$ di-baryon

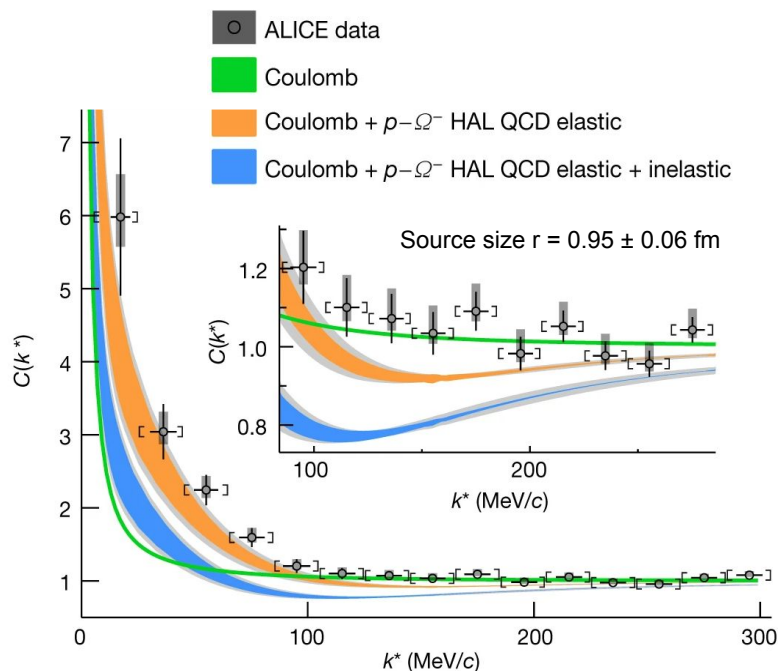
\Rightarrow Binding Energy = 2.5 MeV

Meson exchange models predict smaller binding

T. Sekihara et al., Phys. Rev. C 98, 015205 (2018)

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- **Data more precise than lattice calculations**
⇒ First constraints in the $S=-3$ sector
- **So far, no indication of a bound state**
No visible depletion of $C(k^*)$
- Uncertainty of calculations dominated by inelastic channels

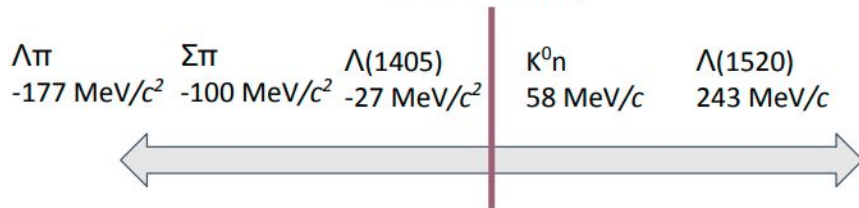
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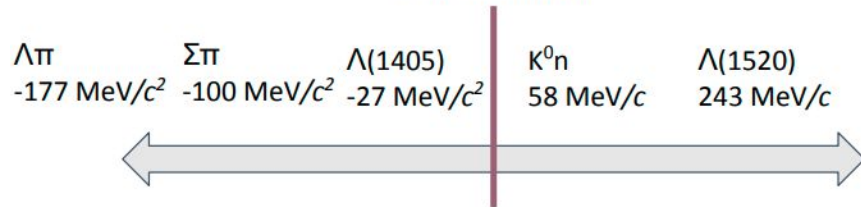
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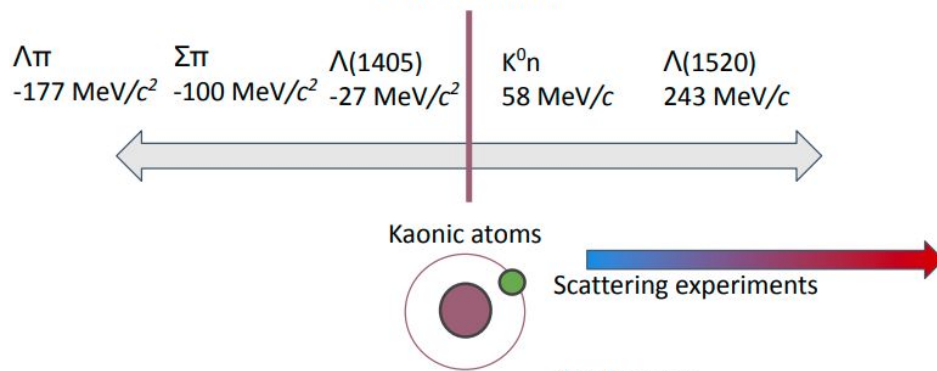
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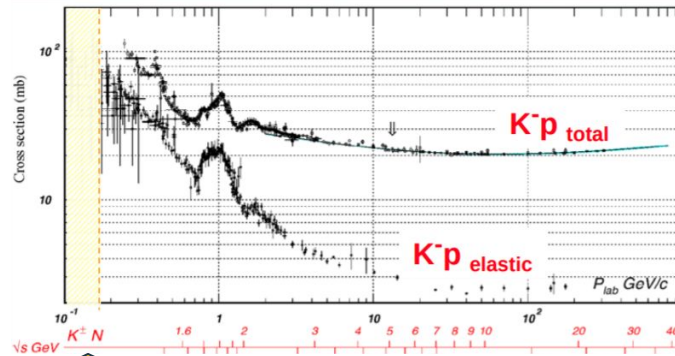
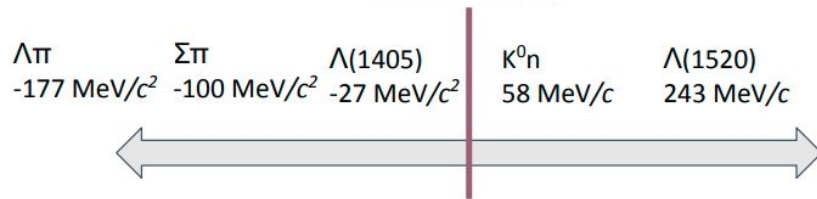
Connected to the main issues :

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[Y. Kamiya et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 124, 132501 \(2020\)](#)
- Kaonic bound states (case of $\bar{K}NN$)
[JPARC E15, PLB 789 \(2019\) 620](#)
- Enhanced production of strangeness with multiplicity [T. Song @ SQM2021](#)
- Strangeness in NS: kaon condensate
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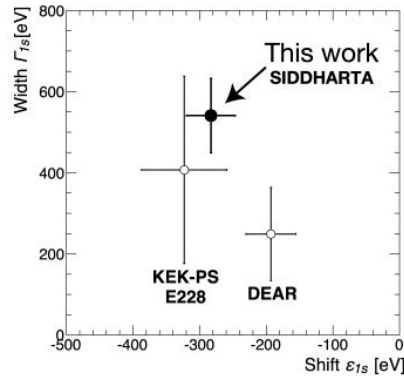
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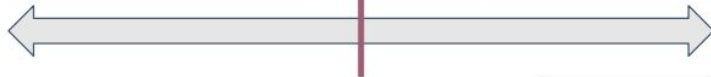
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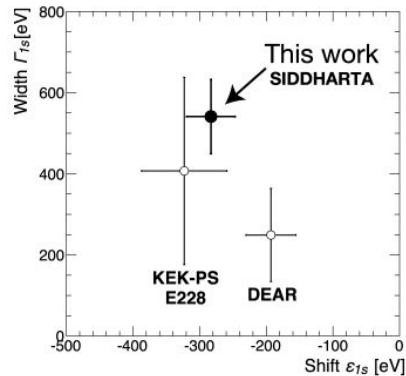
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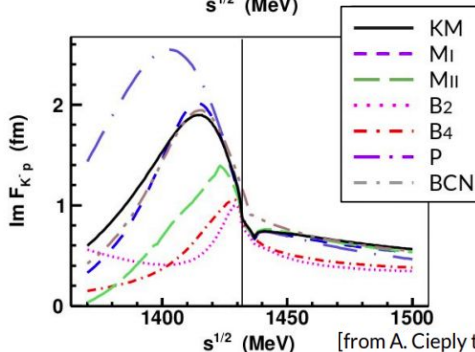
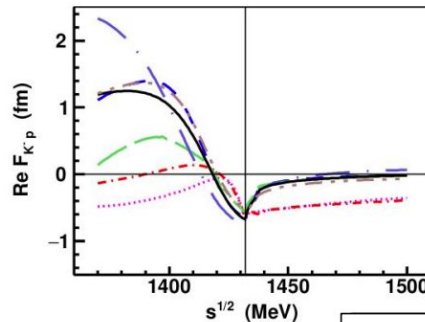
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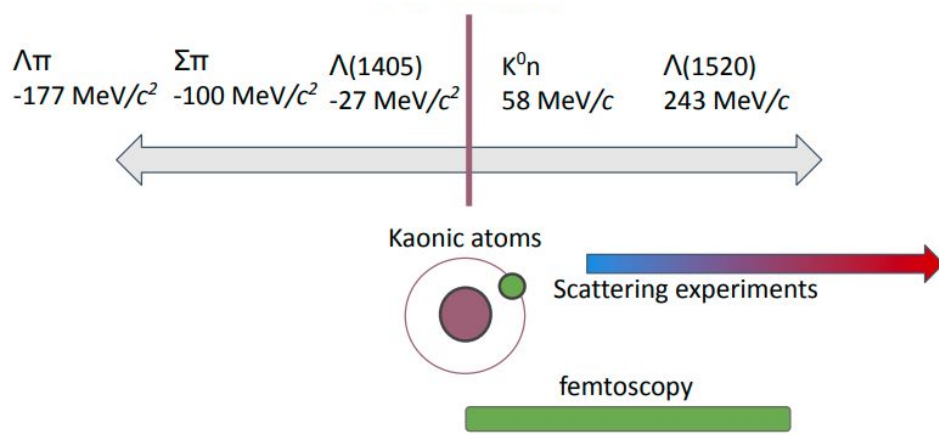
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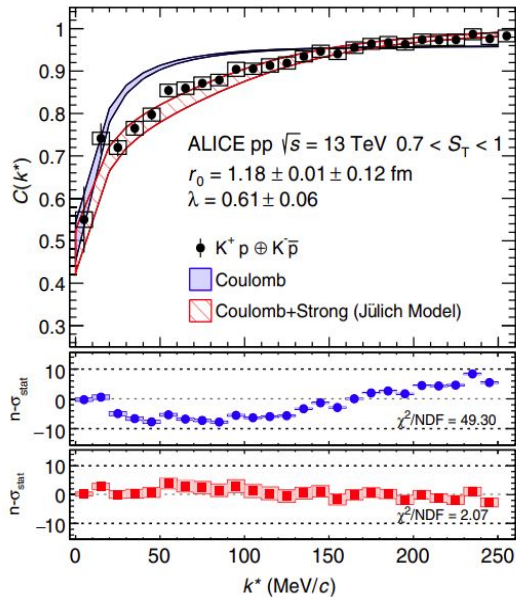
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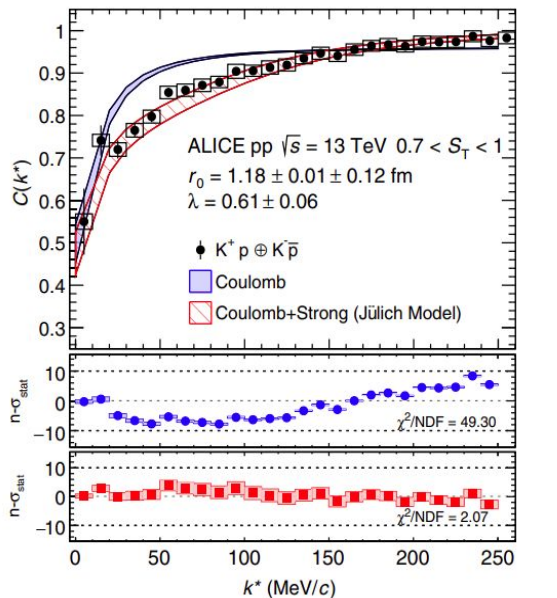
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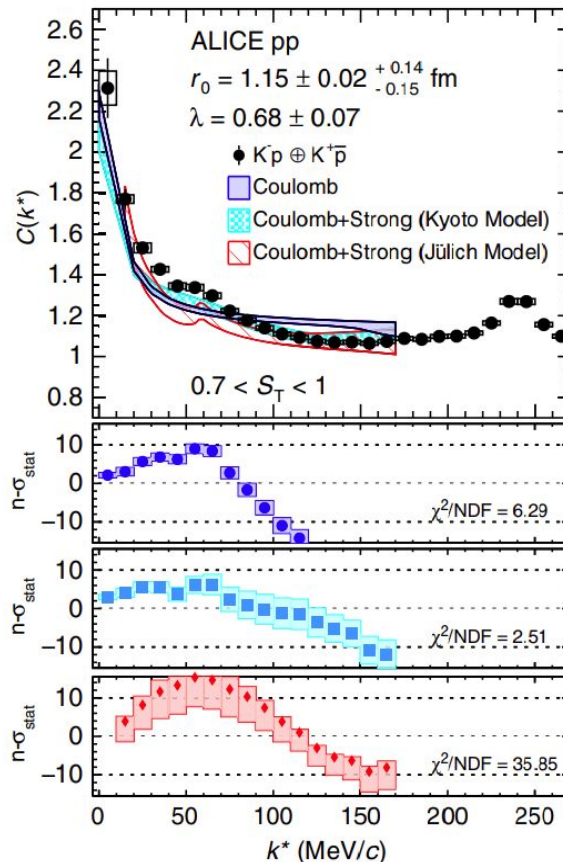
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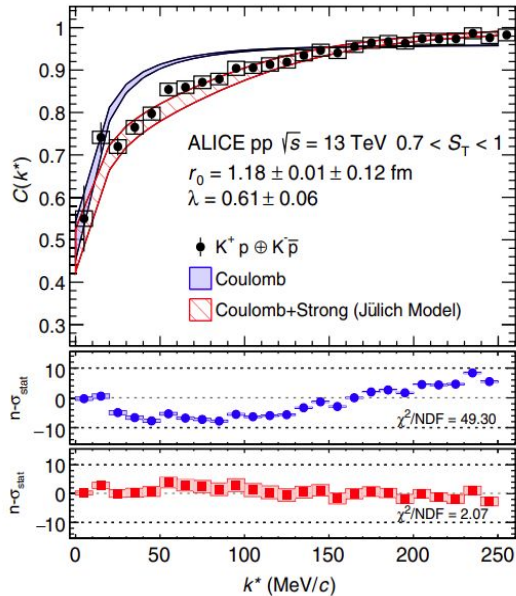


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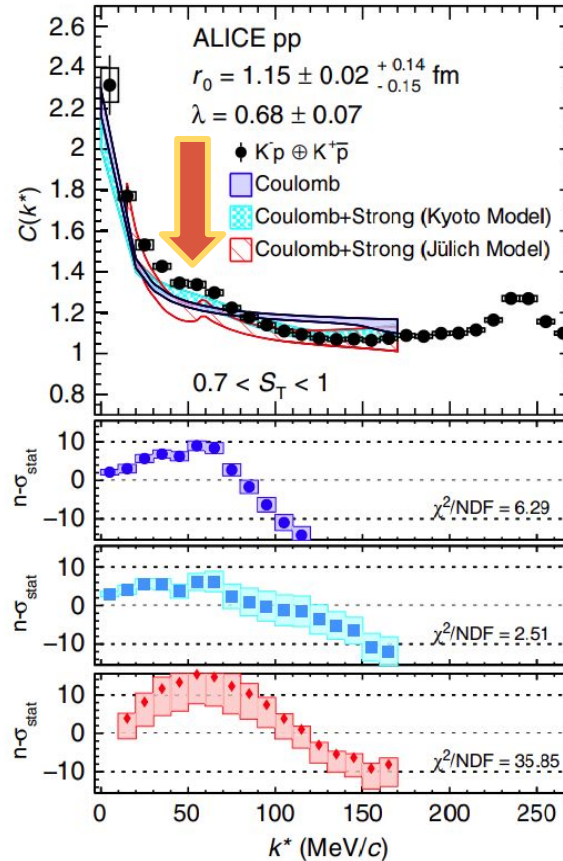
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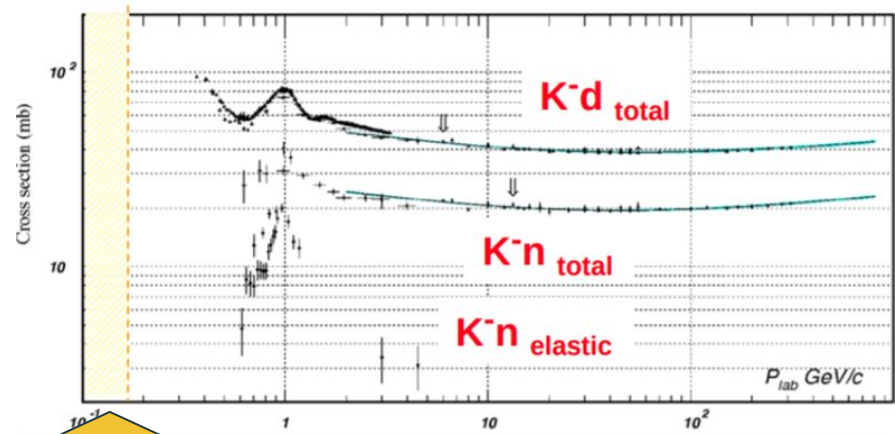
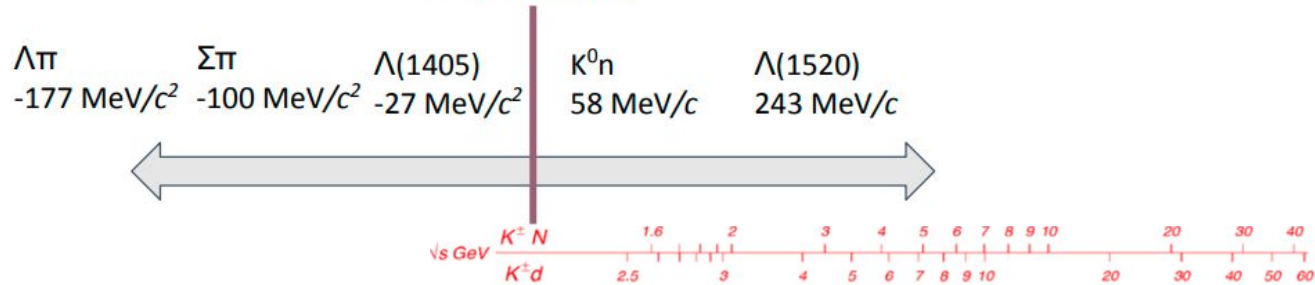


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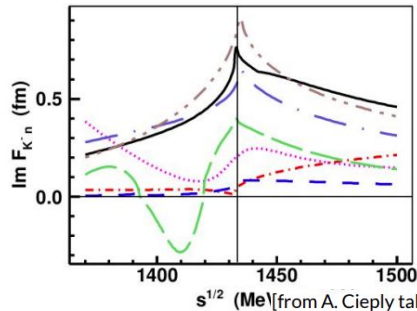
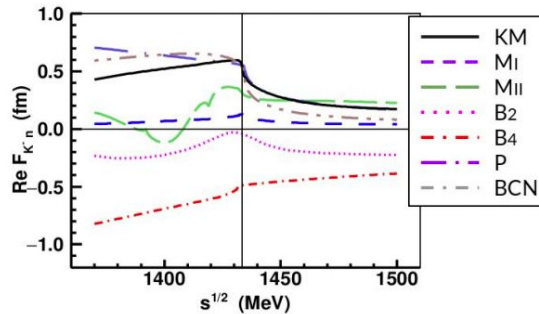
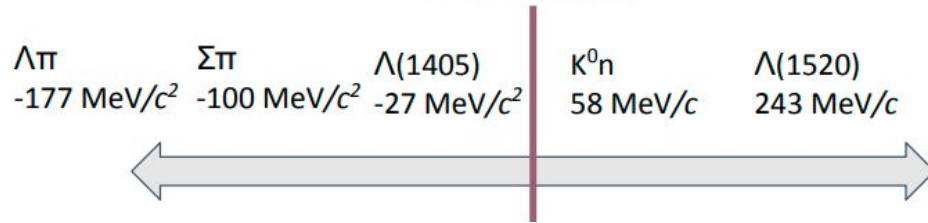
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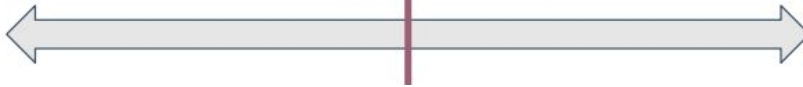


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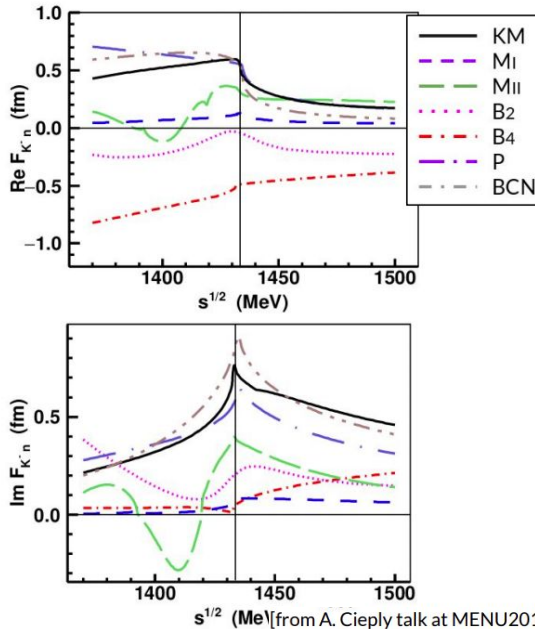
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- **Yield** of antiKaonic deuterium smaller than antiKaonic hydrogen
- Complete **upgrade** of SIDDHARTA setup
 - S/B improved

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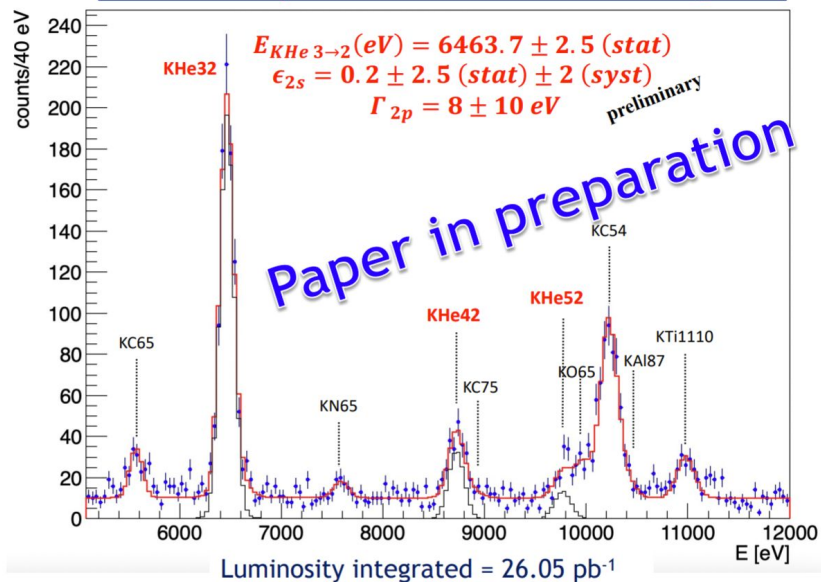
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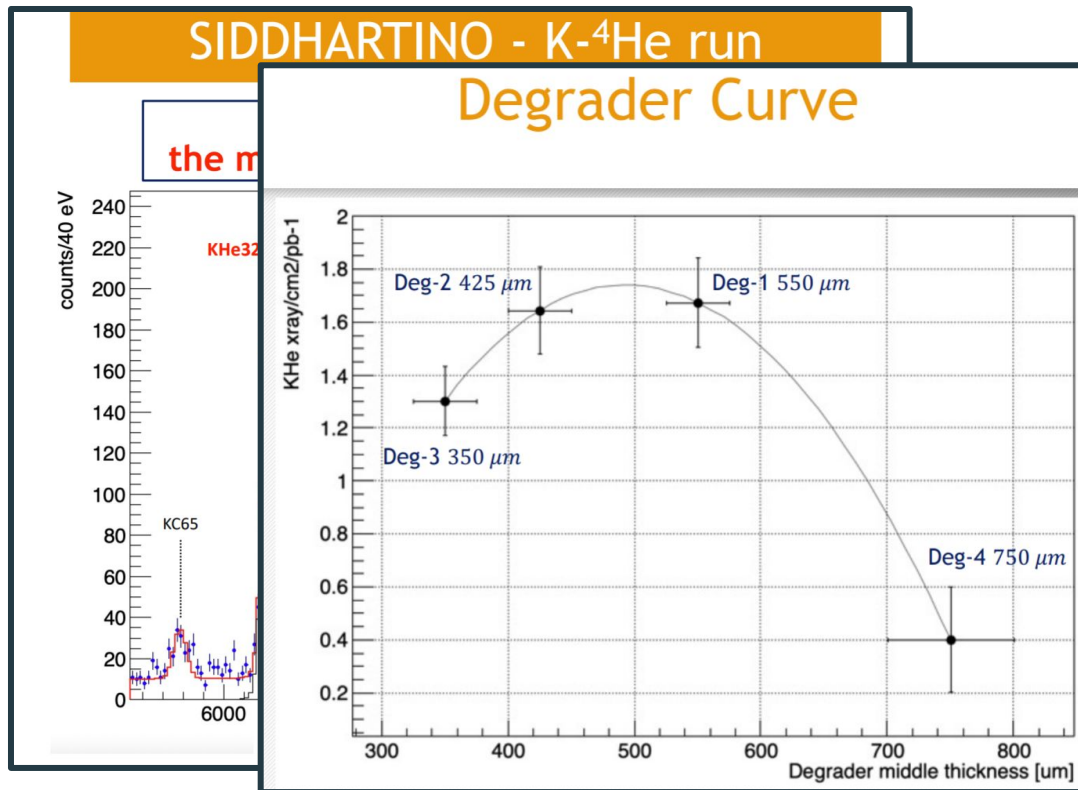
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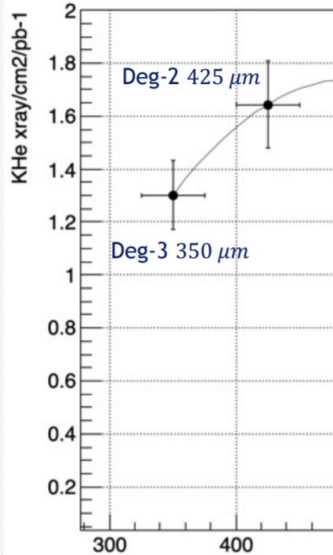
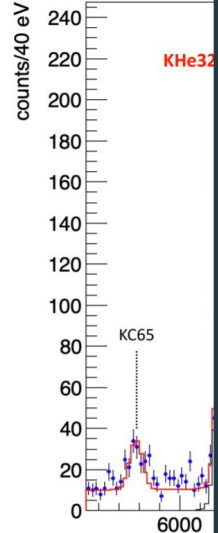


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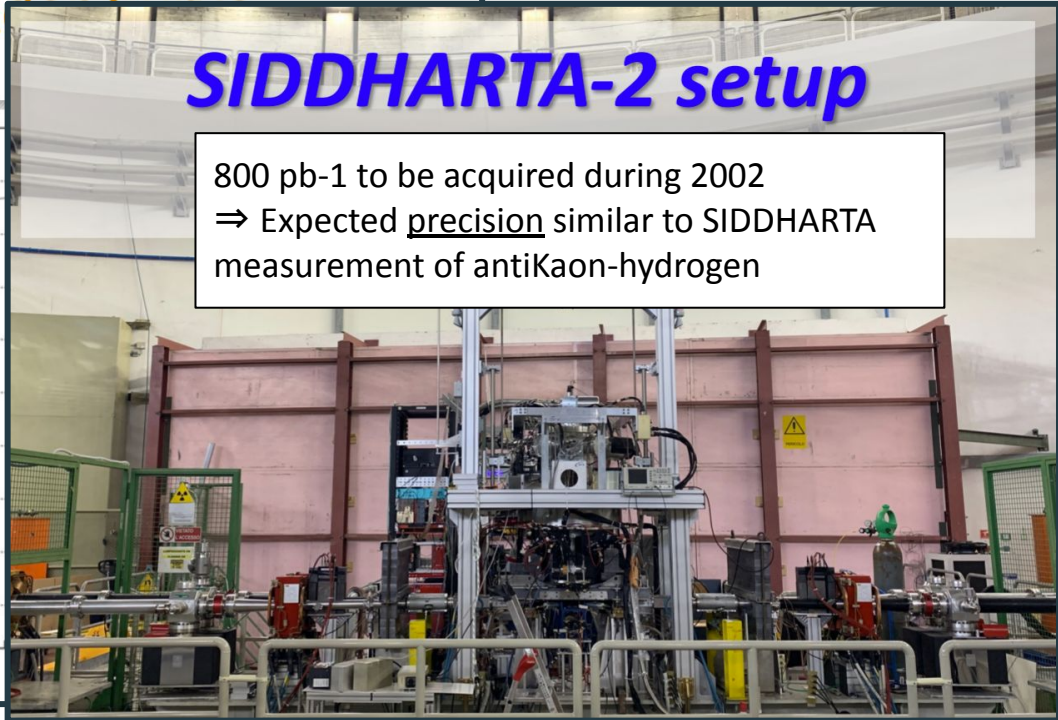
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Degradation



SIDDHARTA-2 setup

800 pb⁻¹ to be acquired during 2002
⇒ Expected precision similar to SIDDHARTA
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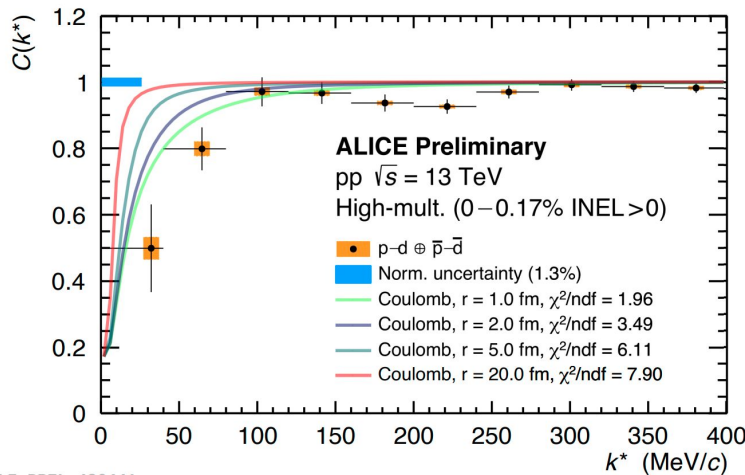
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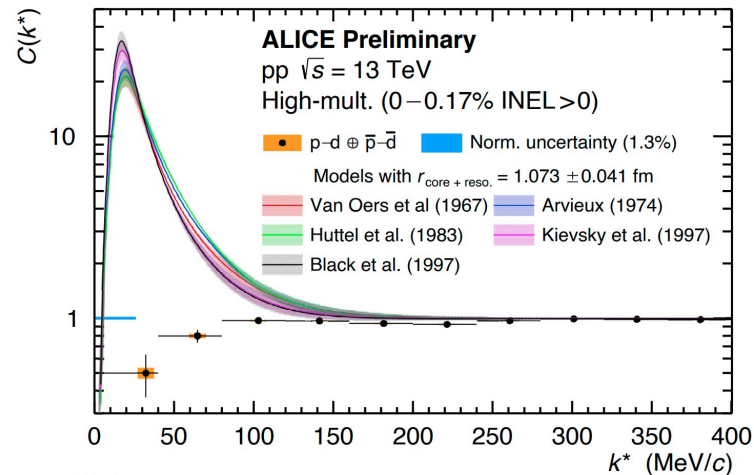
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p-d femtoscopy with ALICE (preliminary):



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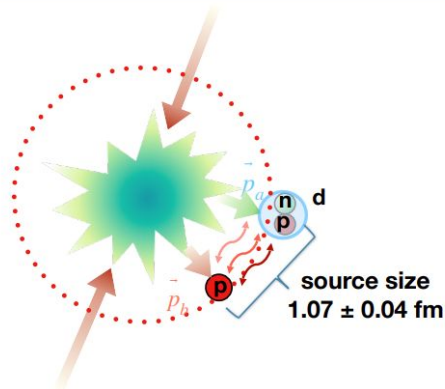
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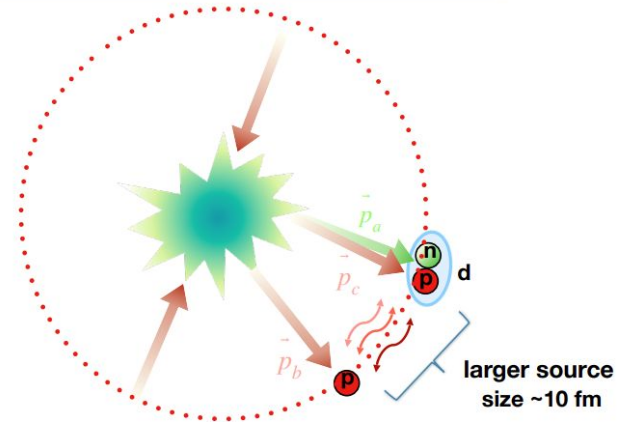
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Case I : p (Λ) and d are formed at the same time



Case II : delayed formation of d



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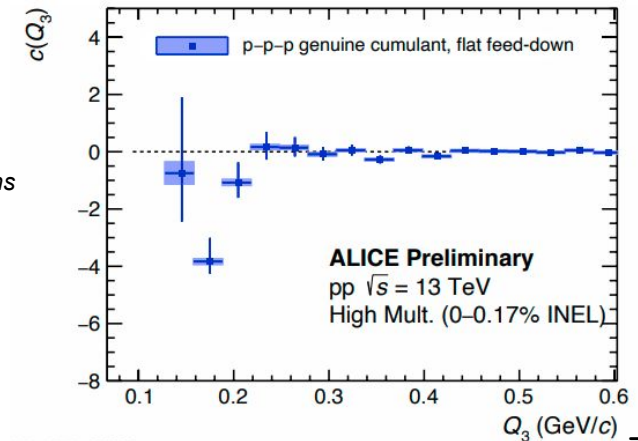
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ALICE femtoscopy → First measurement of genuine three-body p-p-p correlation function



A method to remove lower order contributions in multi-particle femtoscopy correlation functions
R. del Grande et al., [arXiv:2107.10227 \[nucl-th\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/2107.10227)



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Outlook

Precision studies of the strong interaction between hadrons at the LNF

- **Exotic atoms** experiments enter a **new era** with SIDDHARTA-2
- **Femtoscopy** studies at the LHC **updates the scenario of the experimental studies** on hadron-hadron interactions

⇒ The measurement of the antiKaon-deuteron interaction faces many challenges

- Very different experimental techniques will provide **complementary approaches**
- The expected results will **deliver a difficult test to the theoretical approaches**
- **The project is evolving and can be extended** (e. g. direct measurements of three-body interactions for the first time)

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