

**Hypernuclear Physics with
Quark-Meson Coupling (QMC)
model (quark-based
relativistic mean field theory)**

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(K. Saito, KT, A.W. Thomas, PPNP, 58, 1 (2007))


Outline

- Introduction
- **QMC** model, **finite nuclei**
- **Hypernuclei** in the **latest** QMC model (Σ, Λ, Ξ): **no** heavy Σ hypernuclei as in experiments
- **Photoproduction** of Λ -hypernuclei
- Discussions

Introduction

- **(Heavy) nuclei** in terms of **quarks** and **gluons** (or **QCD**) **????!!!**
- **NN, NNN, NNNN, NNNNN**..... interactions
⇒ **Nucleus ?** ⇐ shell model, **MF** model, **density** functional theory... **BUT ?**
- **Lattice QCD**: **still** extracting **NN** and **NY** **2-body** interactions, [**Y**=hyperons: **Λ, Σ, Ξ**]
- **Hypernucleus ?** (Nucleus+**Y**) bound states
- **Quark** model based description of **nucleus**

Description of Nucleus ?

- **Nucleus**: System of many nucleons bound by the **strong interaction** \Leftrightarrow **QCD**
 - **Many-body problem**: **difficult!** even using N (hadronic) degrees of freedom
 \Rightarrow **“super-difficult”** via **quarks & gluons**
- Hope: lattice QCD** (future !???)
- Nuclear shell model, QMD (molecular dynamics [**quarks**]), **Mean field model**
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Hypernuclei: **SU(3)** so bad ?

Λ hypernuclei: **well established** Expts.
up to **Pb** core nucleus, many states

Σ^+ hypernuclei: **only** ${}^4_{\Sigma}\text{He}$ **confirmed**

\Rightarrow Probably **no** other **heavy** **Σ** hypernuclei

Ξ hypernuclei: **hints** – **not confirmed**

\Rightarrow **Planned Expts.:** (JLab?), **J-PARC**,
GSI-FAIR

The QMC model

P. Guichon, PLB 200, 235 (1988)

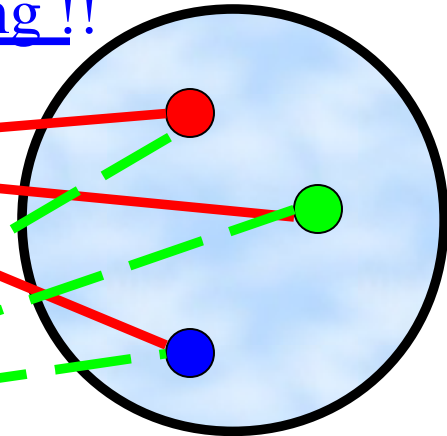
(For a review, PPNP 58, 1 (2007))

Light (**u,d**) quarks interact self-consistently with mean σ and ω fields

Nuclear Binding !!

$\langle \sigma \rangle$

$\langle \omega \rangle$



$$m^*_q = m_q - g^q_\sigma \sigma = m_q - V^q_\sigma$$

↓ nonlinear in σ

$$M^*_N \cong M_N - g^N_\sigma \sigma + (d/2)(g^N_\sigma \sigma)^2$$

$$M^*_N = M_N - V^N_\sigma$$

$$[i \partial \cdot \gamma - (m_q - V^q_\sigma) + \gamma_0 V^q_\omega] q = 0$$

1. Start

$$[i \partial \cdot \gamma - M^*_N + \gamma_0 V^N_\omega] N = 0$$

$$V^N_\omega = 3V^q_\omega$$

Self-consistent !

At Nucleon Level Response to the Applied Scalar Field is the **Scalar Polarizability**

Nucleon response to a **chiral invariant scalar field** is then a nucleon property of great interest...

$$M^*(\vec{R}) = M - g_\sigma \sigma(\vec{R}) + \frac{d}{2} (g_\sigma \sigma(\vec{R}))^2$$

Non-linear dependence: **scalar polarizability**
(d)**¼ = 0.22 R in original QMC (MIT bag)

Indeed, in nuclear matter at mean-field level (e.g. QMC), this is the **ONLY** place the response of the **internal structure** of the nucleon enters.

Bound quark Dirac spinor ($1s_{1/2}$)

Quark Dirac spinor in **a bound hadron**:

$$q_{1s}(\mathbf{r}) = \begin{pmatrix} U(\mathbf{r}) \\ i\hat{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{r} L(\mathbf{r}) \end{pmatrix} \chi$$

Lower component is **enhanced** !

$$\implies g_A^* < g_A : \sim |U|^2 - (1/3) |L|^2,$$

\implies **Decrease** of **scalar density** \implies

Decrease in Scalar Density

Scalar density (quark): $\sim |U|^{**2} - |L|^{**2}$,



M_N^* , **N** wave function, **Nuclear** scalar density etc., are **self-consistently modified** due to the **N internal structure change** !

⇒ **Novel Saturation mechanism** !

Nuclear (Neutron) matter, E/A

New saturation
mechanism !

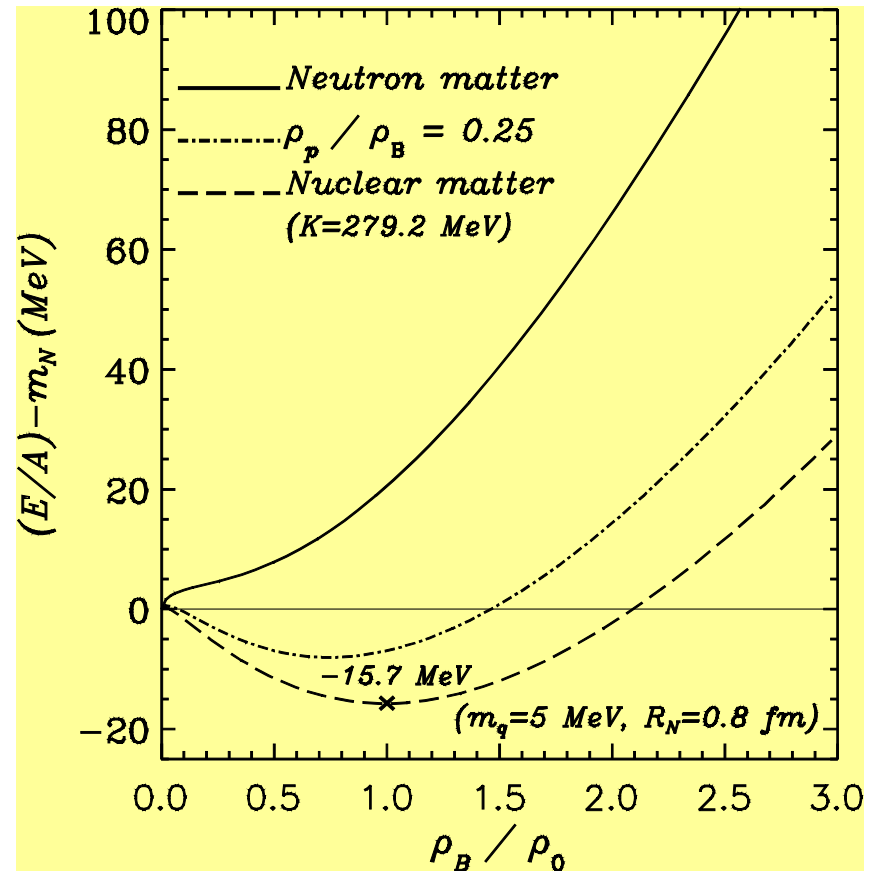
Incompressibility

(~ spring constant)

$K \approx 280$ MeV

(200 ~ 300 MeV)

PLB 429, 239 (1998)



Finite nuclei: ^{208}Pb energy levels

NPA 609, 339 (1996)

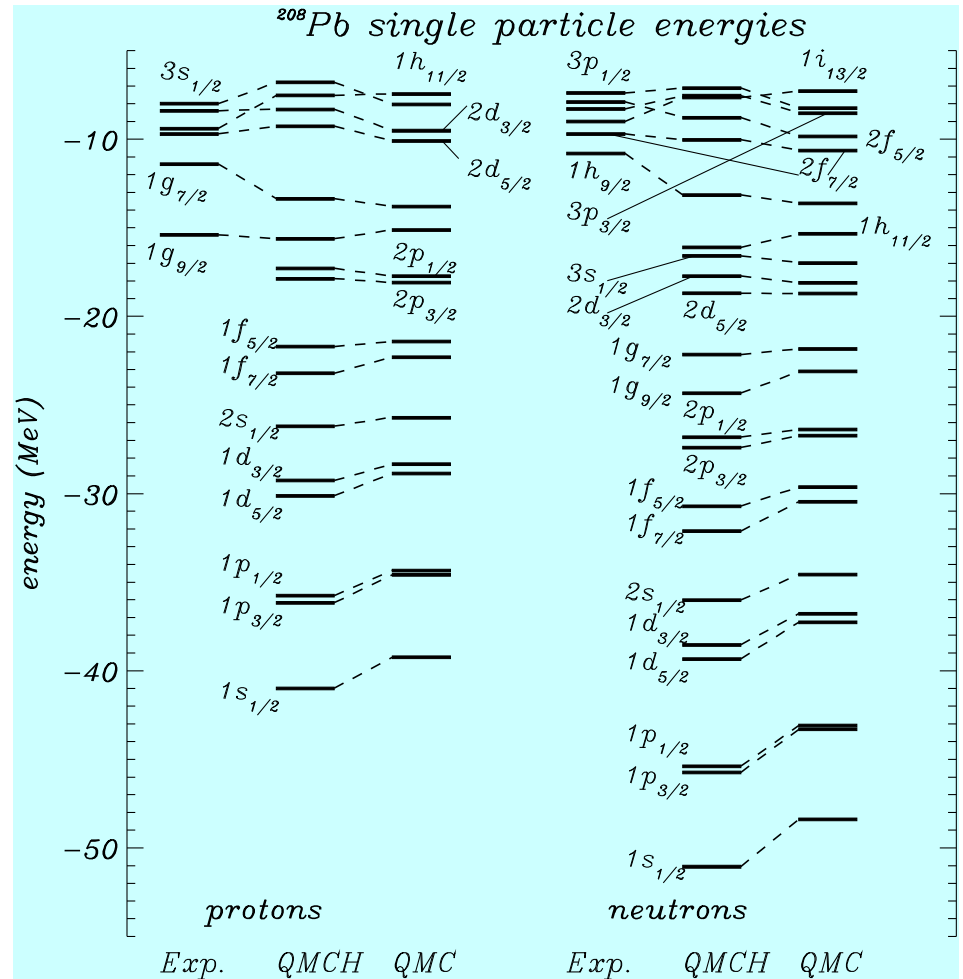
Heavy mass nuclei

Based on quarks !



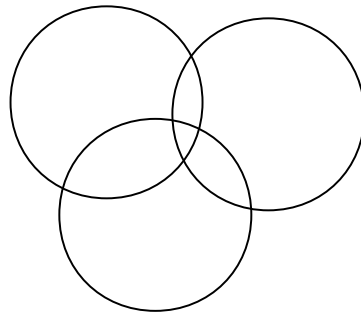
Hypernuclei

(the latest version of QMC)



Summary : Scalar Polarizability

- Can always rewrite **non-linear coupling** as linear coupling plus non-linear scalar self-coupling – **likely physical origin of non-linear versions of QHD**
- In nuclear matter this is the **only** place the **internal structure** of the nucleon enters in MFA
- Consequence of **polarizability** in atomic physics is **many-body forces**:



$$V = V_{12} + V_{23} + V_{13} + V_{123}$$

Non-linearity

QMC \leftrightarrow QHD

- QHD shows importance of **relativity** :
mean σ , ω and ρ fields
- **QMC** goes far beyond QHD by incorporating effect of hadron *internal structure*
- Minimal model couples these mesons to *quarks* in relativistic quark model – e.g. MIT bag, or confining NJL
- g_σ^q , g_ω^q , g_ρ^q fitted to ρ_0 , E/A and **symmetry energy**
- *No additional parameters* : predict change of structure and binding in nuclear matter of **all hadrons**:
e.g. ω , ρ , η , J/ψ , N , Λ , Σ , $\Xi \Rightarrow$ see later !

Linking QMC to Familiar Nuclear Theory

Since early 70's tremendous amount of work
in nuclear theory is based upon **effective forces**

- Used for everything from nuclear astrophysics to collective excitations of nuclei
- **Skyrme Force: Vautherin and Brink**

In Paper : **Guichon and Thomas, Phys. Rev. Lett. 93, 132502 (2004)**

explicitly obtained effective force, 2- plus 3- body, of **Skyrme** type

- equivalent to **QMC** model (required expansion around $\sigma = 0$)



Physical Origin of Density Dependent Force of the Skyrme Type within the QMC model

That is, apply new effective force directly to calculate nuclear properties using Hartree-Fock (as for usual well known force)

| | E_B (MeV, exp) | E_B (MeV, QMC) | r_c (fm, exp) | r_c (fm, QMC) |
|------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| ^{16}O | 7.976 | 7.618 | 2.73 | 2.702 |
| ^{40}Ca | 8.551 | 8.213 | 3.485 | 3.415 |
| ^{48}Ca | 8.666 | 8.343 | 3.484 | 3.468 |
| ^{208}Pb | 7.867 | 7.515 | 5.5 | 5.42 |

- Where analytic form of (e.g. $H_0 + H_3$) piece of energy functional derived from QMC is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{H}_0 + \mathcal{H}_3 = & \rho^2 \left[\frac{-3 G_\rho}{32} + \frac{G_\sigma}{8 (1 + d\rho G_\sigma)^3} - \frac{G_\sigma}{2 (1 + d\rho G_\sigma)} + \frac{3 G_\omega}{8} \right] + \\
 & (\rho_n - \rho_p)^2 \left[\frac{5 G_\rho}{32} + \frac{G_\sigma}{8 (1 + d\rho G_\sigma)^3} - \frac{G_\omega}{8} \right],
 \end{aligned}$$

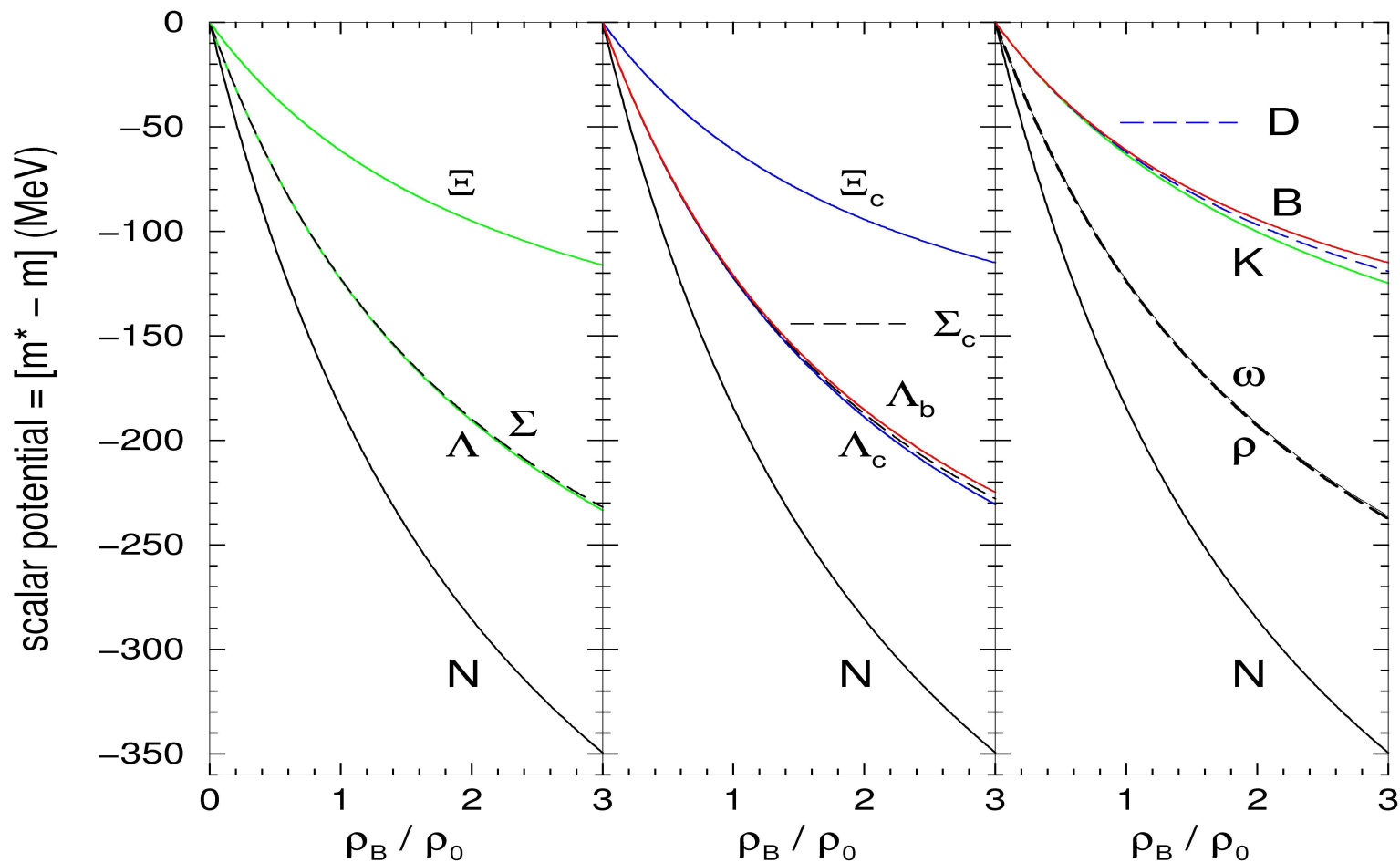
○ highlights scalar polarizability

Spin-Orbit Splitting

| | Neutrons (Expt) | Neutrons (QMC) | Protons (Expt) | Protons (QMC) |
|---|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| ¹⁶ O 1p _{1/2} -1p _{3/2} | 6.10 | 6.01 | 6.3 | 5.9 |
| ⁴⁰ Ca 1d _{3/2} -1d _{5/2} | 6.15 | 6.41 | 6.0 | 6.2 |
| ⁴⁸ Ca 1d _{3/2} -1d _{5/2} | 6.05 (Sly4) | 5.64 | 6.06 (Sly4) | 5.59 |
| ²⁰⁸ Pb 2d _{3/2} -2d _{5/2} | 2.15 (Sly4) | 2.04 | 1.87 (Sly4) | 1.74 |

Agreement generally very satisfactory – **NO** parameter adjusted to fit

Scalar potentials in QMC respects **SU(3)** (light quark # !)



Λ and $\Sigma \iff$ Self-consistent OGE color hyperfine interaction

- Λ and Σ hypernuclei are more or less similar (channel couplings) \iff improve !
- Ξ potential: **weaker** ($\sim 1/2$) of Λ and Σ (Light quark #, or SU(3))
- Very **small spin-orbit splittings** for Λ hypernuclei \iff **SU(6) quark model**

Bag mass and **color** mag. HF int. contribution (**OGE**)

T. DeGrand *et al.*, PRD 12, 2060 (1975)

$$M = [N_q \Omega_q + N_s \Omega_s]/R - Z_0/R + 4\pi BR^3/3 \\ + \underline{(Fs)^n} \Delta E_M(f) \quad (f=N, \Delta, \Sigma, \Lambda, \Xi \dots)$$

$$\Delta E_M = -3\alpha_c \sum_{a, i < j} \lambda_i \lambda_j \vec{\sigma}_i \cdot \vec{\sigma}_j M(m_i, m_j, R)$$

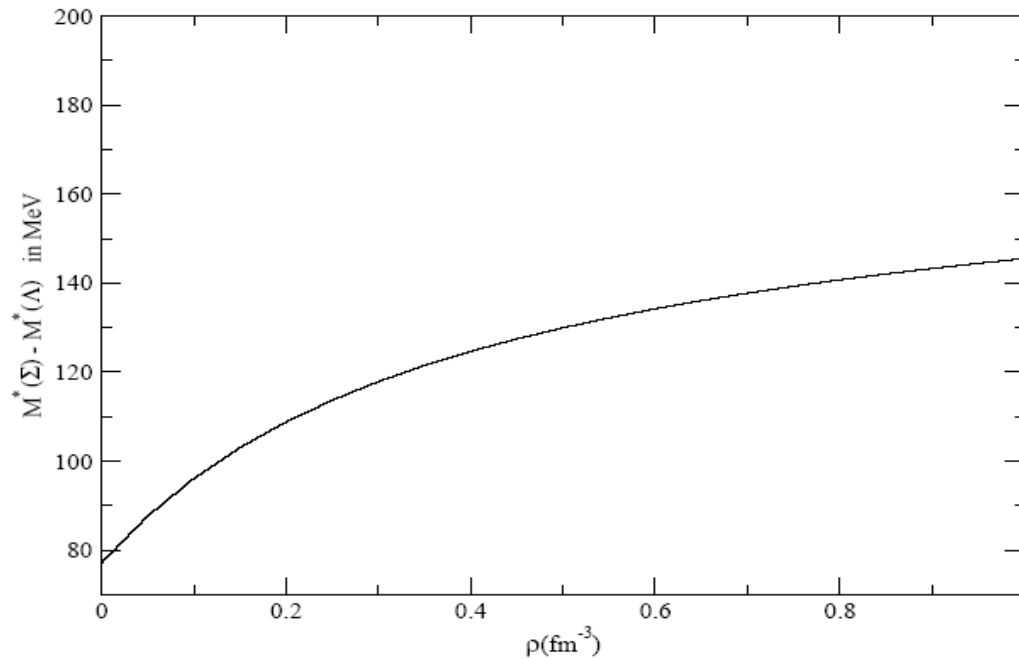
$$\Delta E_M(\Lambda) = -3\alpha_c M(m_q, m_q, R), \quad (q=u, d)$$

$$\Delta E_M(\Sigma) = \alpha_c M(m_q, m_q, R) \\ - 4\alpha_c M(m_q, m_s, R)$$

Latest QMC: Includes Medium Modification of Color Hyperfine Interaction

$\Sigma - \Lambda$ and $\Sigma - \Lambda$ splitting arise from **one-gluon-exchange** in MIT Bag Model : as “ σ ” so does this splitting...

Difference of Sigma and Lambda effective mass



$\Sigma - \Lambda$ splitting



Σ -hypernuclei unbound!!

Guichon, Thomas, Tsushima, Nucl. Phys. A841 (2008) 66

Octet and Decuplet masses (GeV)

NPA 814, 66 (2008) (arXiv:0712.1925 [nucl-th])

| F_s | m_s | Λ | Σ | Ξ | Σ^* | Ξ^* | Ω |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1 | 0.341 | 1.135 | 1.176 | 1.355 | 1.416 | 1.599 | 1.784 |
| 0.726 | 0.297 | 1.107 | 1.189 | 1.325 | 1.368 | 1.507 | 1.654 |
| Expt. | | 1.116 | 1.193 | 1.318 | 1.385 | 1.533 | 1.672 |

$R_N=0.8$ fm, N, Δ masses $\rightarrow B=0.5541$ fm $^{-1}$, $Z_0=2.6422$,

$\alpha_c=0.4477$, (0.55), Less enhanced the “Coulomb-spike” for **s** quark
 \Rightarrow independent, **F_s, m_s** : fit to **Λ, Σ, Ξ** masses (**predictions**)

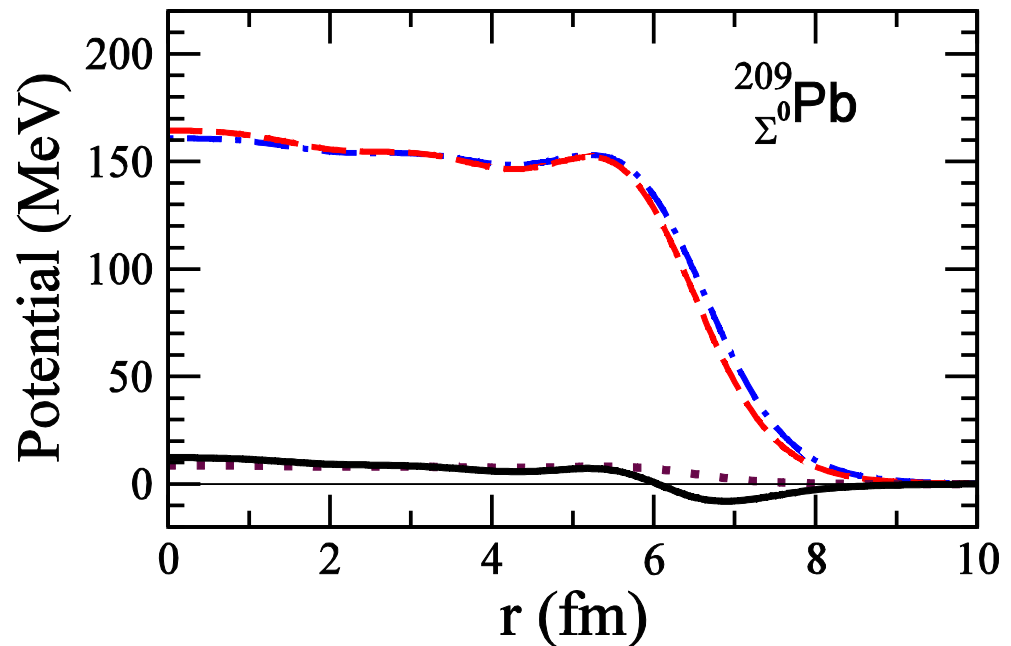
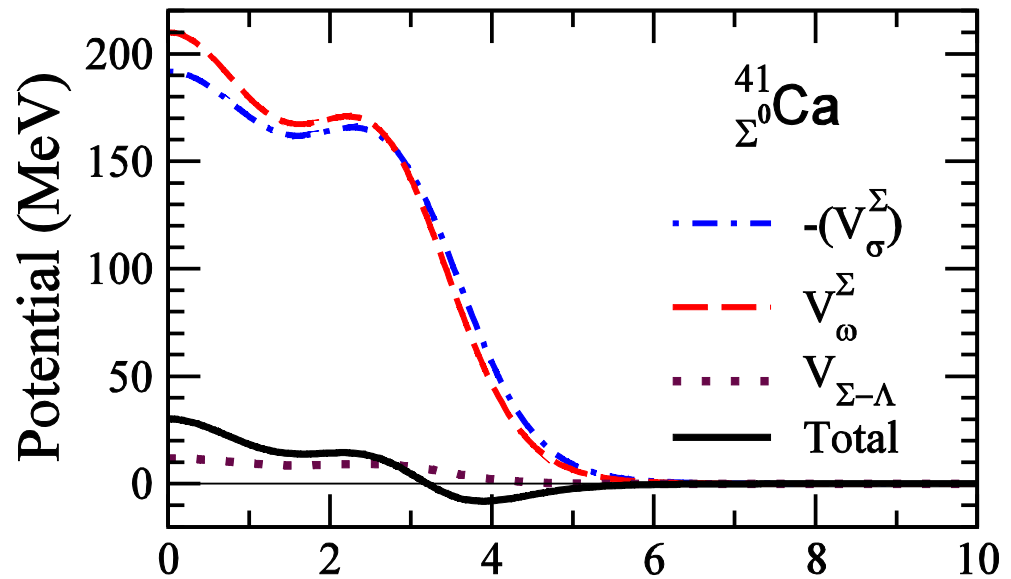
Σ^0 potentials ($1s_{1/2}$)

Repulsion
in center

Attraction
in surface

**No Σ nuclear
bound state!**

HF couplings for
hyperons \Leftrightarrow
successful for high
density neutron star
(NPA 792, 341 (2007))



Hypernuclei spectra 1

NPA 814, 66 (2008)

| | $^{16}_{\Lambda}$ O Exp. | $^{17}_{\Lambda}$ O | $^{17}_{\Xi^0}$ O | $^{40}_{\Lambda}$ Ca Exp. | $^{41}_{\Lambda}$ Ca | $^{41}_{\Xi^0}$ Ca | $^{49}_{\Lambda}$ Ca | $^{49}_{\Xi^0}$ Ca |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| 1s _{1/2} | -12.4 | <u>-16.2</u> | -5.3 | -18.7 | <u><u>-20.6</u></u> | -5.5 | -21.9 | -9.4 |
| 1p _{3/2} | | <u>-6.4</u> | | | <u>-13.9</u> | -1.6 | <u>-15.4</u> | -5.3 |
| 1p _{1/2} | -1.85 | <u>-6.4</u> | | | <u>-13.9</u> | -1.9 | <u>-15.4</u> | -5.6 |
| 1d _{5/2} | | | | | <u>-5.5</u> | | <u>-7.4</u> | |
| 2s _{1/2} | | | | | -1.0 | | -3.1 | |
| 1d _{3/2} | | | | | <u>-5.5</u> | | <u>-7.3</u> | |

Hypernuclei spectra 2

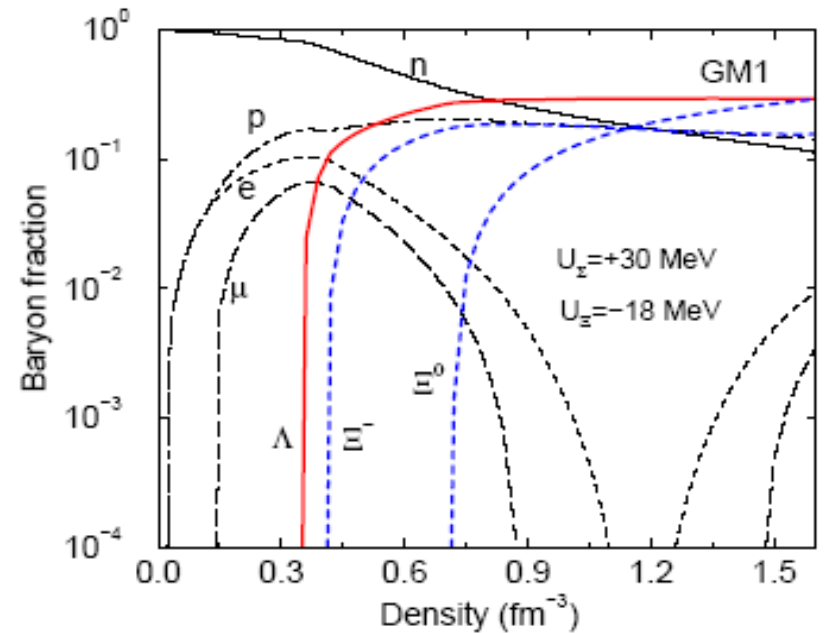
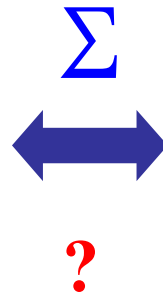
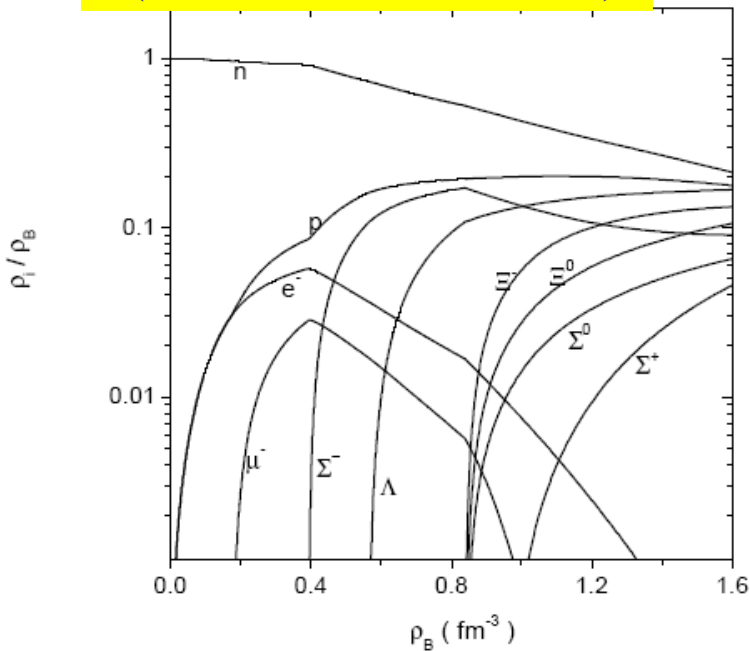
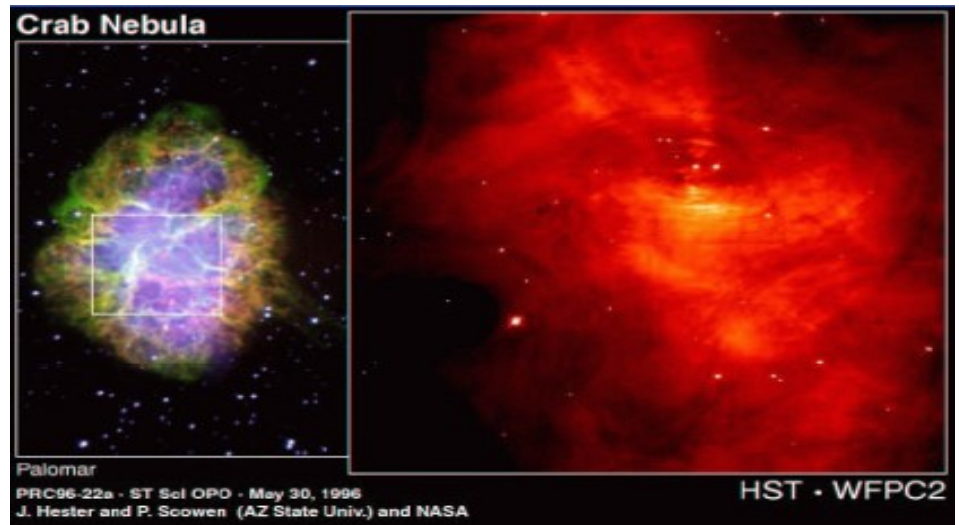
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| | $^{89}_{\Lambda}\text{Yb}$ Exp. | $^{91}_{\Lambda}\text{Zr}$ | $^{91}_{\Xi^0}\text{Zr}$ | $^{208}_{\Lambda}\text{Pb}$ Exp. | $^{209}_{\Lambda}\text{Pb}$ | $^{209}_{\Xi^0}\text{Pb}$ |
|------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| $1s_{1/2}$ | -23.1 | <u>-24.0</u> | -9.9 | -26.3 | <u>-26.9</u> | -15.0 |
| $1p_{3/2}$ | | <u>-19.4</u> | -7.0 | | <u>-24.0</u> | -12.6 |
| $1p_{1/2}$ | -16.5 | <u>-19.4</u> | -7.2 | -21.9 | <u>-24.0</u> | -12.7 |
| $1d_{5/2}$ | -9.1 | <u>-13.4</u> | -3.1 | -16.8 | <u>-20.1</u> | -9.6 |
| $2s_{1/2}$ | | -9.1 | — | | -17.1 | -8.2 |
| $1d_{3/2}$ | (-9.1) | <u>-13.4</u> | -3.4 | (-16.8) | <u>-20.1</u> | -9.8 |

Summary: hypernuclei

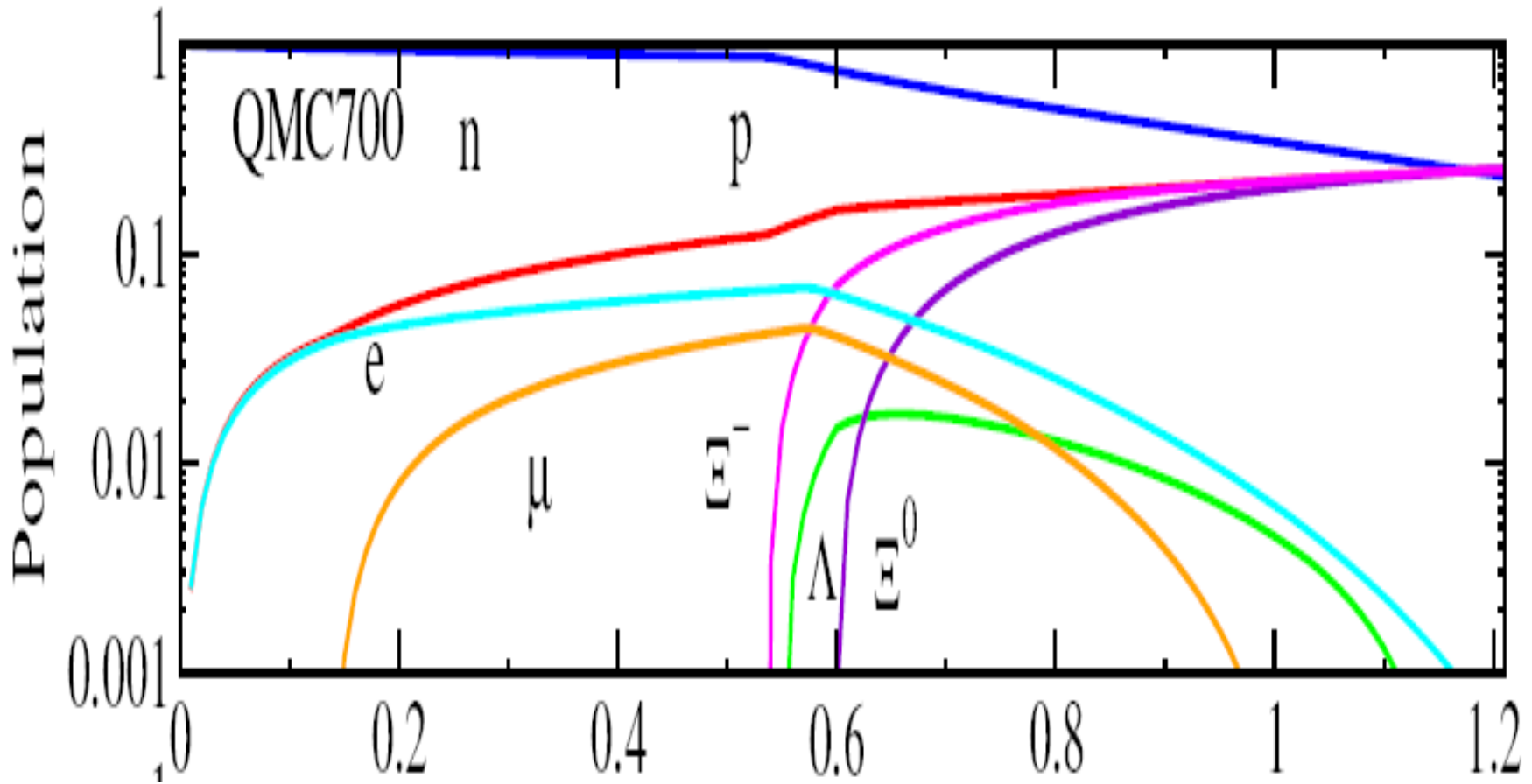
- The latest version of QMC (OGE color hyperfine interaction included self-consistently in matter) \implies
- Λ single-particle energy $1s_{1/2}$ in Pb is **-26.9** MeV (Exp. **-26.3** MeV) \iff **no extra parameter!**
- **Small** spin-orbit splittings for the Λ
- **No** Σ nuclear bound state !!
- Ξ is expected to form nuclear bound state

- **Hyperons** enter at just $2-3 \rho_0$
- Hence need effective **Σ -N** and **Λ -N** forces in this density region!
- **Hypernuclear data is important input** (J-PARC, FAIR, JLab)



Consequences for Neutron Star

New QMC model, fully relativistic, Hartree-Fock treatment



Stone et al., Nucl. Phys. A792 (2007) 341

Photoproduction of Λ Hypernuclei

R. Shyam, KT, A.W. Thomas, PLB 676, 51 (2009)

Λ and K^+ are produced
via **s-channel**

N^* excitation (**dominant**)

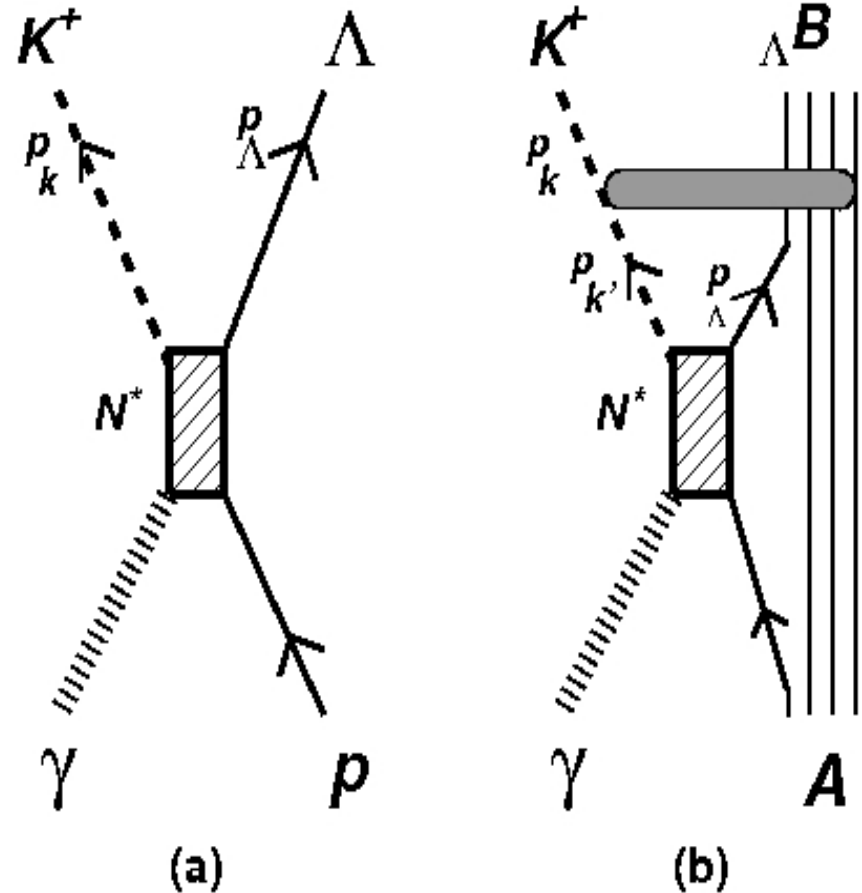
$S_{11}(1650)$, $P_{11}(1710)$

$P_{13}(1720)$



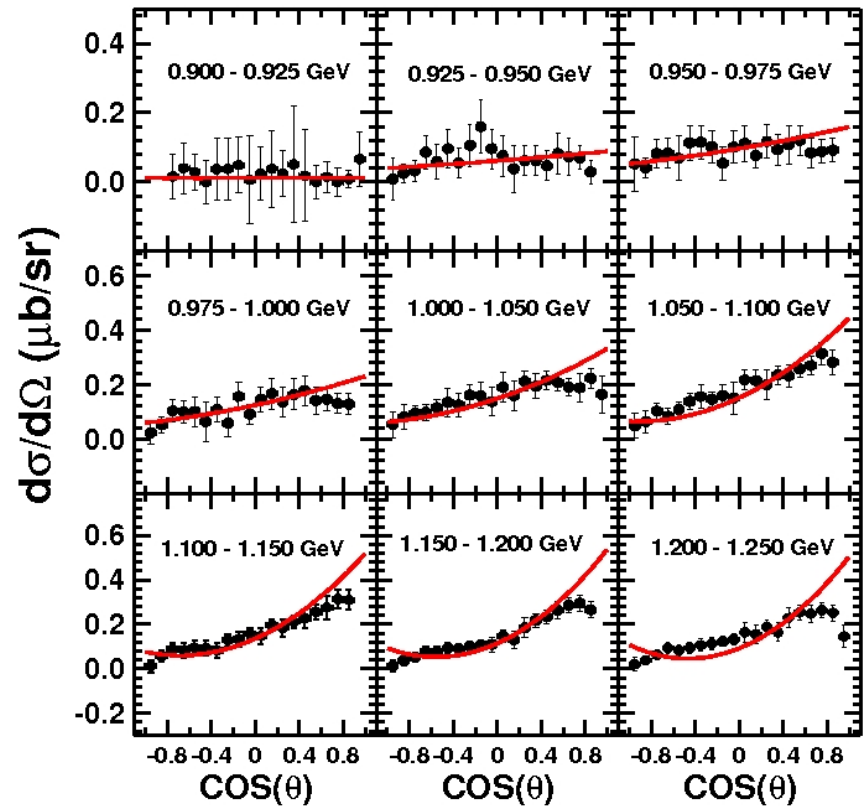
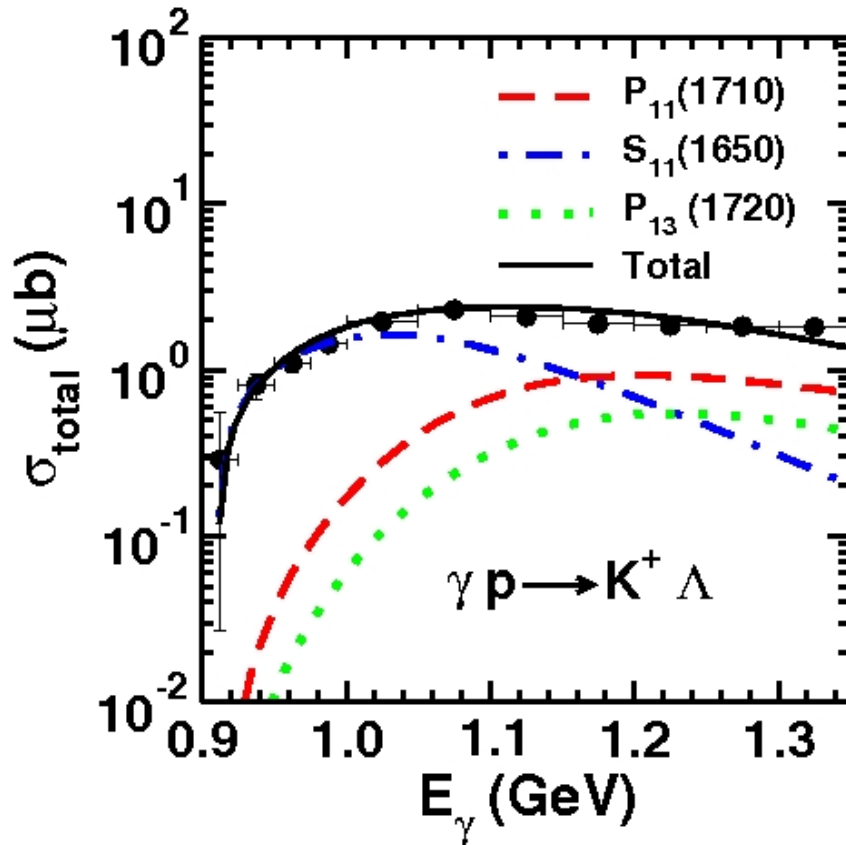
Energy region of interests,
hypernuclei production

(~ 10 % **ambiguity** due to
the other background \Rightarrow)



Elementary $\gamma p \rightarrow K^+ \Lambda$ reaction

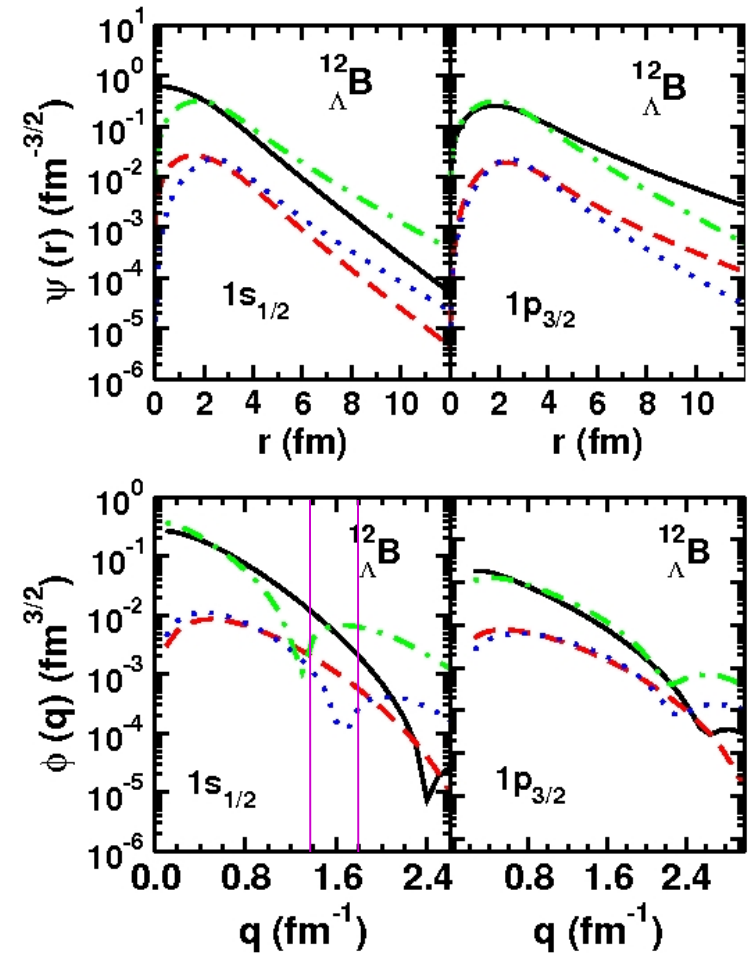
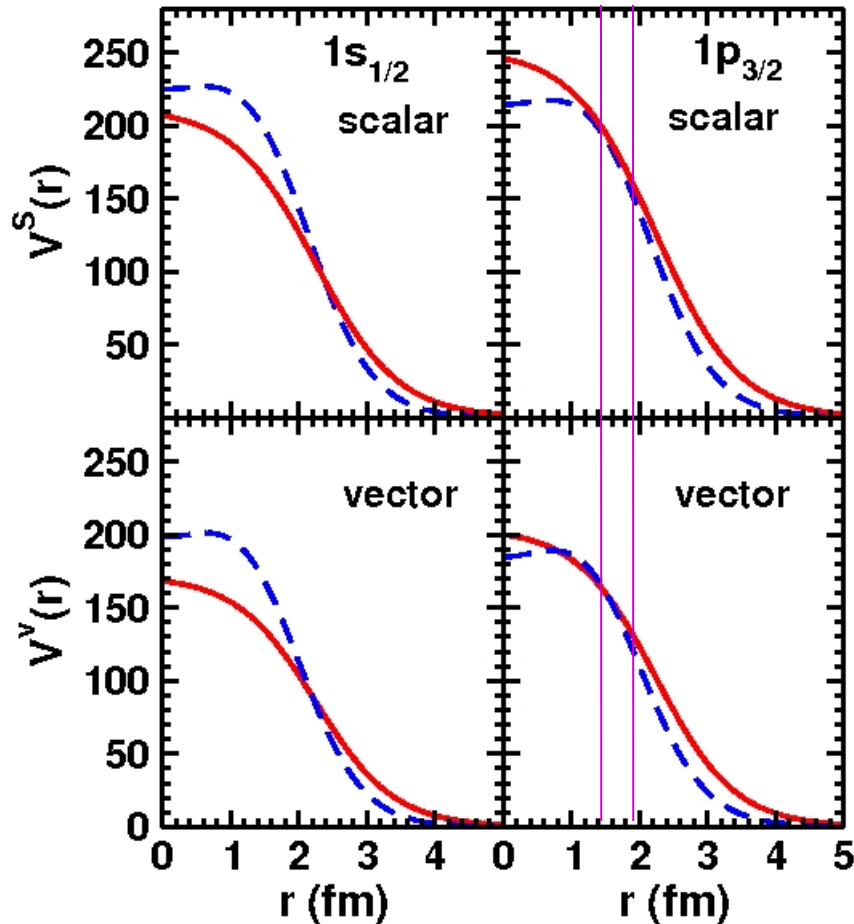
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$^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{B}$ hypernucleus (MeV)

| State | Exp. | QMC | V_V (W.S) | V_S (W.S) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| $^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{B}1s_{1/2}$ | 11.37 | 14.93 | 171.78 | -212.69 |
| $^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{B}1p_{3/2}$ | 1.73 | 3.62 | 204.16 | -252.28 |
| $^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{B}1p_{1/2}$ | 1.13 | 3.62 | 227.83 | -280.86 |
| $(p1p_{3/2})^{-1}$ ^{12}C | 15.96 Sep. energy | (\congOK) | 382.60 | -472.34 |

Potentials and wave functions



QMC, **W.S.** type

QMCU, **QMCL**, **DiracpU**, **DiracpL**

Differential cross sections: $^{12}\text{C}(\gamma, K^+)_{\Lambda}^{12}\text{B}$

PLB 676, 51 (2009)

$E_{\text{th}} \sim 695 \text{ MeV}$

$d\sigma/d\Omega$ at

Kaon angle $\theta = 10^\circ$

$1^-, 2^- \Leftrightarrow (1p_{3/2}^{-p}, 1s_{1/2}^{\Lambda})$

(wave functions!) \Rightarrow

$2^+, 3^+ \Leftrightarrow (1p_{3/2}^{-p}, 1p_{3/2}^{\Lambda})$

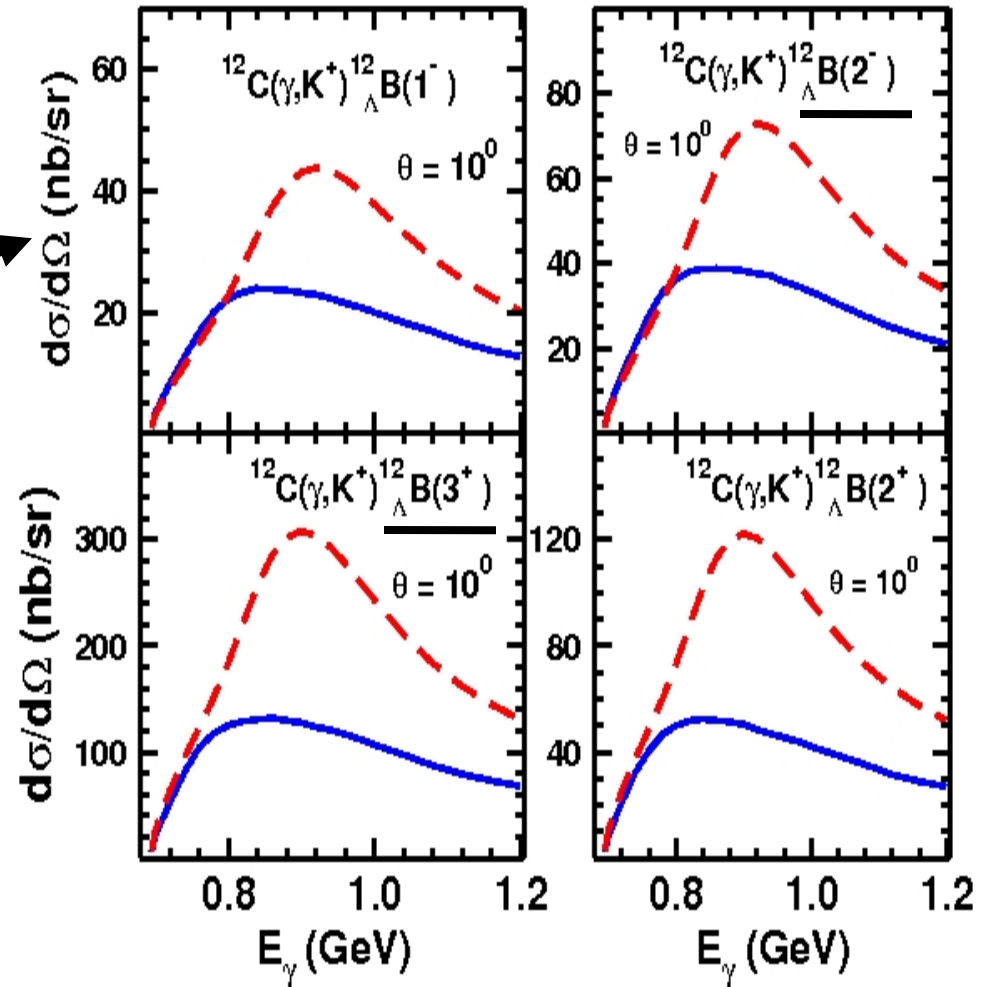
(potentials!) \Rightarrow

Diracp

(phenomenological)

QMC

$|q| \cong [1.4, 1.7] \text{ fm}^{-1}$



Summary: Hypernuclei photoproduction

1. **First attempt** to study photoproduction of Λ -hypernuclei ($^{12}\text{C}(\gamma, \text{K}^+)^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{B}$ reaction) via **quark-based** model (**QMC**)
2. **$d\sigma/d\Omega$** at Kaon angle $\theta = 10^\circ$ shows **distinguishable difference!**
3. **Back ground** inclusion for higher energies
4. **Heavier** hypernuclei

Discussions

1. Study of Ξ hypernuclei
 $\uparrow \Rightarrow A(K^-, K^+) \Xi B$ reaction
2. Elementary $K^- p \rightarrow \Xi K^+$ reaction
3. Heavier Λ hypernuclei **photoproduction**
(1, 2 \Rightarrow waiting! 3. **Nearly ready!**)
4. **Electroproduction** of Λ hypernuclei
5. **Λ_c** hypernuclei **????!!!**