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- Brief overview of SNPO4
7/2004 at Osaka
- Brief review of $S=-2$ physics
- Extrapolation to Strange Hadronic
Matter

WHY study hypernuclei ?

YN and YY interactions are not (and will not be) fully available from free-space measurements; unified BB phenomenology.

Studying hypernuclei illuminates strange matter at medium and (occasionally) high density; connection to QCD properties.

Connection to other strange hadrons in matter:

K_s, \dots

hyperonic excitations: $\Lambda(1405), \Lambda(1520), \dots$

hidden strangeness: Ω, ϕ, \dots

Connection to strange quark matter, strangelets, neutron stars, hyperstars but where is the H dibaryon ???

HYPONUCLEI ($S=+1$) ? Θ^+ nuclei

- New facilities

- Jlab $A_Z(e, e'k^+) {}^A_{Z-1}$ Hashimoto
 ${}^{12}_1\text{B}$ spectroscopy; resolution below 1 MeV

- DAFNE, Finuda detector, Marcello ✓
new results from K^-_{stop} on Li, C, Al, V,
1.4 MeV FWHM. Σ^- , K^- signals?

- $S=-2$ hypernuclei

- extension of E373 - ${}^6_{11}\text{He}$ Nakazawa ✓
few more emulsion events

Theory: Nemura ($A=4, 5, 6$) ✓

Yamamoto, Rijken, Laushey, Fujiwara ✓

Ξ^- hypernuclei as a gateway, Nagae

- PANDA experiment at new GSI site
($\bar{p}p \rightarrow \Xi\bar{\Xi}$)

- Sensational Physics

- Θ^+ : $\frac{1}{2}^+$ or $\frac{1}{2}^-$? Toki
(Hiyama)

Okamoto - instanton contribution
vs. π dibaryon

Vicente-Vacas Θ^+ bound states?

(K^+, π^+) , (π^-, K^-) experiments

to look for HYPONUCLEI

(A. Goldhaber 1979?)

(Imai, Hosaka; at NPO6)

- K^- bound states ???

Suzuki ${}^4\text{He}(K_{st}^-, p)$ Iwasaki

theory: Dote, Gal

~ 200 MeV binding

excited ΣNN configuration?

Kishimoto ${}^{16}\text{O}(K_{st}^-, n)$ 90? 130? MeV bound

1 Review

$\Lambda\Lambda$ Hypernuclei [1998 INT Workshop by G. Franklin]

Stopped Ξ^- emulsion experiments

- Measure $\Lambda\Lambda$ ground state via $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-$ decay mode (only possible in light hypernuclei) $K^- p \rightarrow K^+ \Xi^-$
- Low K flux requirements (but need good K/ π ratio) $\Xi^- p \rightarrow \Lambda\Lambda$
- 3 reconstructed events identified in 30 years.
- 3 more recently observed $\Lambda\Lambda$ hypernuclei nonmesonic decays species and binding not determined
- $\Lambda\Lambda$ Hypernuclei exist, $\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda}$ probably positive, but... extra $\Lambda\Lambda$ binding $\langle V_{\Lambda\Lambda} \rangle^{1S_0}$

	#K ⁻	stops	B _{ΛΛ} (MeV)	ΔB _{ΛΛ} (MeV)
Danysz et al. 1963 ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^{10}\text{Be} \rightarrow {}_{\Lambda}^9\text{Be} + p + \pi^-$ $\quad \quad \quad \downarrow$ $\quad \quad \quad \rightarrow \alpha + \alpha + p + \pi^-$	10 ⁵	~2	17.7 ± 0.4	<u>4.3 ± 0.4</u>
Prowse 1966 'old' ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^6\text{He} \rightarrow {}_{\Lambda}^5\text{He} + p + \pi^-$ $\quad \quad \quad \downarrow$ $\quad \quad \quad \rightarrow \alpha + p + \pi^-$	10 ⁶	~30	10.9 ± 0.8	<u>4.7 ± 1.0</u>
Aoki et al. 1990 ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^{10}\text{Be} \rightarrow {}_{\Lambda}^{10}\text{B} + \pi^-$ $\quad \quad \quad \downarrow$ $\quad \quad \quad \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} + \alpha + p + n + n$	10 ⁹	80	8.5 ± 0.7	-4.9 ± 0.7
OR: ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^{14}\text{C}^* + n \rightarrow {}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^{13}\text{B} + p + n$ $\quad \quad \quad \downarrow$ $\quad \quad \quad \rightarrow {}_{\Lambda}^{13}\text{C} + \pi^-$ $\quad \quad \quad \downarrow$ $\quad \quad \quad \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} + \alpha + \alpha + n + n$			27.5 ± 0.7	<u>4.8 ± 0.7</u>

$\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda} = B_{\Lambda\Lambda} - 2B_{\Lambda}$
def.

Observation of a ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^6\text{He}$ Double-Hypernucleus

KEK-E373, PRL (in press) 19.11.01

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Abstract

A double-hyperfragment event has been found in a hybrid-emulsion experiment. It is identified uniquely as the sequential decay of ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^6\text{He}$ emitted from a Ξ^- hyperon nuclear capture at rest. The mass of ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^6\text{He}$ and the Λ - Λ interaction energy $\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda}$ have been measured for the first time devoid of the ambiguities due to the possibilities of excited states. The value of $\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda}$ is $1.01 \pm 0.20^{+0.18}_{-0.11}$ MeV. This demonstrates the Λ - Λ interaction is weakly attractive.

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'old' event gave $\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda} = 4.7 \pm 0.6 \text{ MeV}$

$$\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda} = B_{\Lambda\Lambda} - 2B_{\Lambda} \sim \langle V_{\Lambda\Lambda} \rangle$$

KEK E373
Nakajawa

$K^- p \rightarrow K^+ \Xi^-$ in emulsion

Takahashi et al. PRL 87 (2001)

Double-hypernucleus Event "Nagara"

NOTE: This is the preliminary result of the analysis $\textcircled{A} \Xi^- + {}^{12}\text{C} \rightarrow {}^4\text{He} + {}^3\text{H} + {}^6_{\Lambda}\text{He}$

Event Description

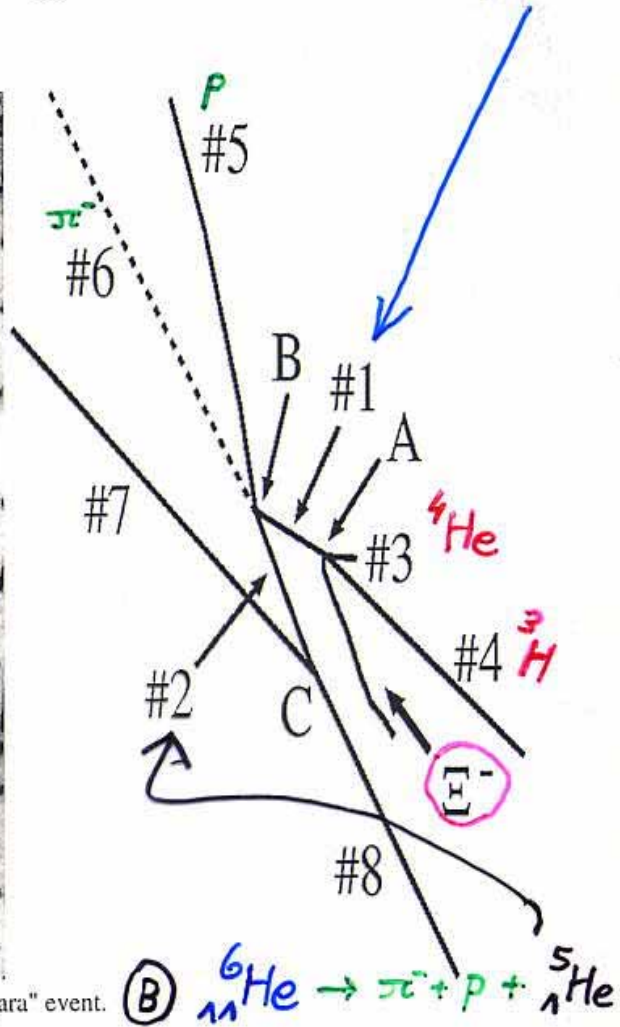
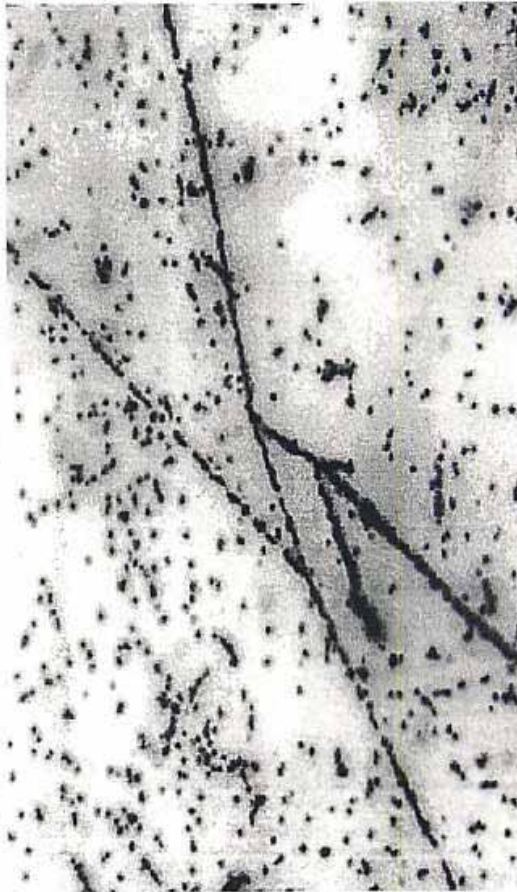


Figure 1: Picture and schematic drawing of "Nagara" event.

The picture and the schematic drawing of the event is shown in Figure 1. This event was found by Y. Iwata at Gifu University and named "Nagara". A Xi- hyperon came to rest at point A, from which 3 charged particles (track#1, #3, #4) were emitted. One of them decayed to 3 charged particles (track#2, #5, #6) at point B. The particle of track#2 decayed again to 2 charged particles (track#7, #8) at point C.

The event was detected in the most downstream plate (#12) of the emulsion module. The particle of track#7 left the emulsion stack and entered the downstream SciFi-Block detector (D-Block). Unfortunately track#5 ended in the base (50 micron thick acrylic film). The particle of track#8 was scattered by about 90 degree in plate#10 and stopped in plate#11. The particle of track#6 was identified as pi-.



[old result: $\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda} = 4.7 \pm 0.5 \text{ MeV}$]
final (PRL) $\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda} = 0.81 \pm 0.15 \text{ MeV}$
 $1.01 \pm 0.20 \pm 0.19 \text{ MeV}$

Strangeness -2

The H dibaryon ?

H: { u u d d s s } (particularly stable due to $\sum_{i,j} (\vec{\sigma}_i \cdot \vec{\sigma}_j) (\vec{c}_i \cdot \vec{c}_j) \mathcal{D}(\vec{r}_{ij})$)
 $\frac{1}{mf}, 0^+, 0$ OGE Jaffe 1977
holds also for $\Lambda\Lambda$

$$\sqrt{\frac{4}{5}} 8_c \otimes 8_c + \sqrt{\frac{1}{5}} 1_c \otimes 1_c$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{8}} \Lambda\Lambda + \sqrt{\frac{4}{8}} \Xi N + \sqrt{\frac{3}{8}} \Xi\Xi$$

if H exists, why ${}^6_{\Lambda\Lambda} \text{He} \rightarrow H + {}^4\text{He}$?

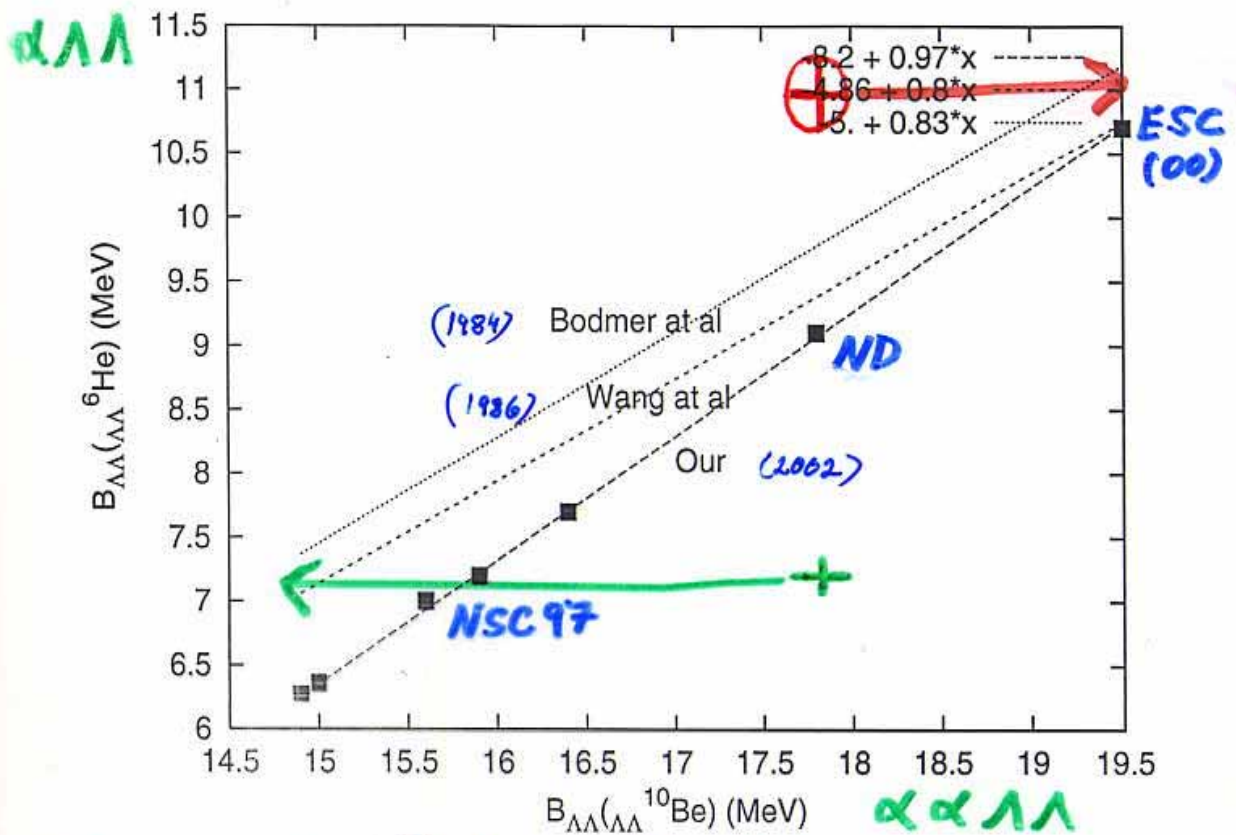
[range of calculations: $B_H \sim 80$ to -100 MeV.]

	69 "inside"	BB "outside"	}	How effective is this barrier for stopping $\Lambda\Lambda \rightarrow H$ from tunneling?
H	attraction	repulsion		
$\Lambda\Lambda$	repulsion	attraction		

AGS dedicated exp's 813/836
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deeply bound H ruled out by E836 (PRL 1997)

$\Xi^- d \rightarrow H n$
 $K^- {}^3\text{He} \rightarrow K^+ H n$
 (suggested by Aerts + Dover)

Consistency of ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}{}^6\text{He}$ and ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}{}^{10}\text{Be}$



3 and 4-body calculations

- 'old' ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}{}^6\text{He}$ event (1966)
 - 'new' ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}{}^6\text{He}$ event (2001)
- $\Delta B_{\Lambda} = 4.7 \pm 0.6$ MeV
 1.0 ± 0.3 MeV

'Our' = Filikhin and Gal, PRC 65 (2002) 041001
 NPA 707 (2002) 491

\leftarrow add ± 3 MeV to $B_{\Lambda\Lambda}({}_{\Lambda\Lambda}{}^{10}\text{Be})$ due to ${}^8\text{Be}(2^+)$
 \rightarrow

Nijmegen potential models (one-boson-exchange)

hard core

D (1977)	attraction	($\Lambda\Lambda$) _{iso}	1-5 MeV
F (1979)	repulsion		

soft core (attractive)

NSC89

NSC97

Λ -binding \checkmark
spin dependence \checkmark } versions e, f

$\lesssim 1$ MeV

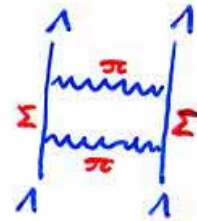
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~ 5 MeV

why $\Lambda\Lambda$ interaction is expected weak?

1. no one-pion exchange

2. quark-model motivated couplings



$$\frac{g_{\sigma\Lambda\Lambda}^2}{g_{\sigma NN}^2} \sim \frac{g_{\omega\Lambda\Lambda}^2}{g_{\omega NN}^2} \sim \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 \quad (\text{no } s \text{ quarks})$$

$$\therefore |V_{\Lambda\Lambda}| \lesssim \frac{1}{2} |V_{NN}|$$

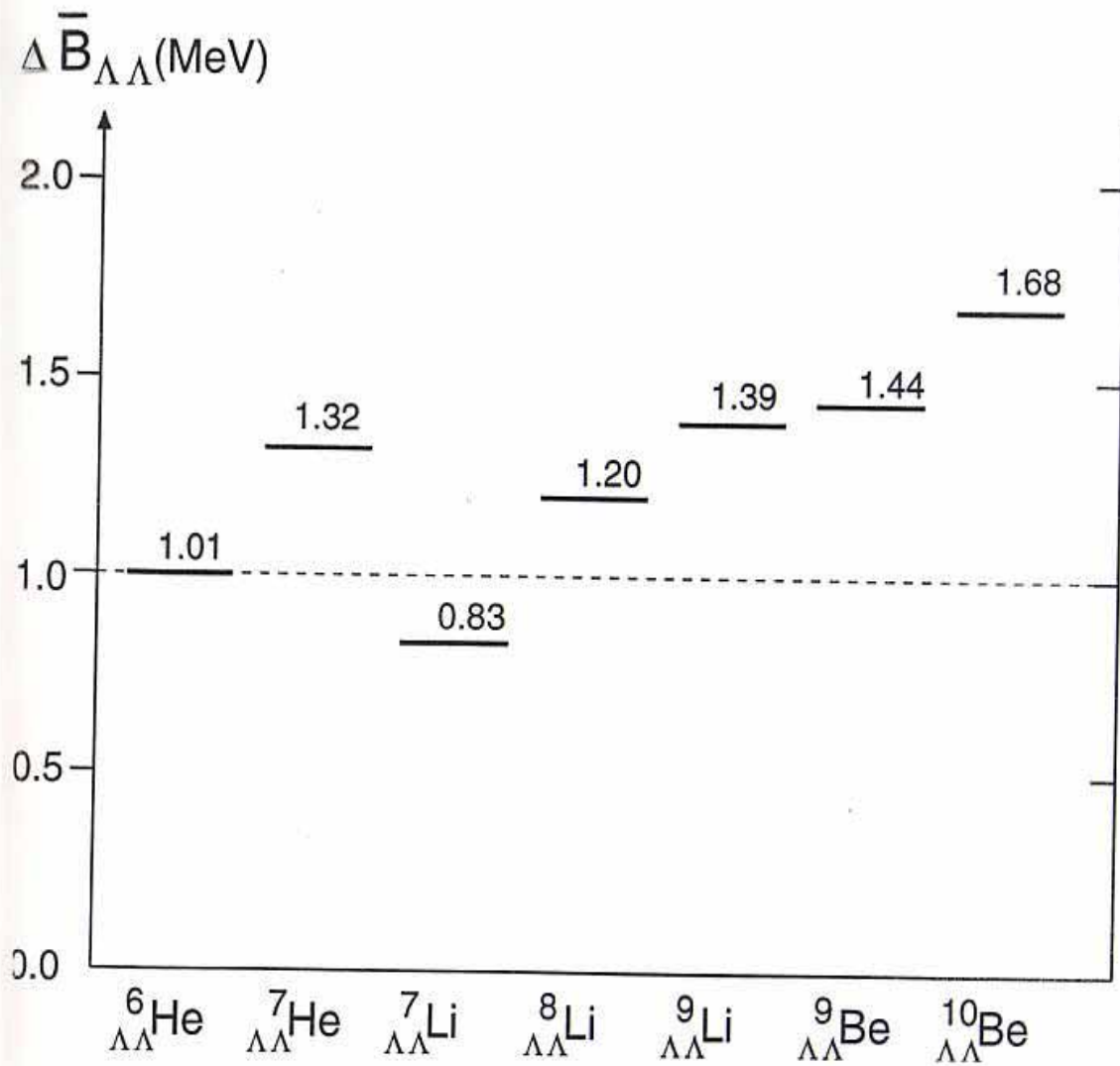
$$|V_{\Lambda\Lambda}| < |V_{\Lambda N}| < |V_{NN}|$$

but earlier $\Lambda\Lambda$ hyp. data indicated $|V_{\Lambda N}| < |V_{\Lambda\Lambda}| \lesssim |V_{NN}|$

Hiyama et al.

PRC 66 (2002)

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$\alpha X \Lambda \Lambda$ cluster model

${}^6\text{He}$ mostly

New calculations incorporate

(i) $\Lambda N - \Sigma N$ coupling (evident from $A=4$
 Λ hypernuclei)

(ii) $\Lambda\Lambda - \Xi N - \Sigma\Sigma$ coupling

Cazz, Afnan, Gibson (1997)

Afnan, Gibson (PRC 2008)

* Myint, Shimamura, Akaishi (EPJ A 2003)

Fidikhin, Gal, Suslov (PRC 2003)

Vidaña, Ramos, Polls (PRC 2004)

$\Sigma\Sigma$ is important!

Lanshoy, Yamamoto (PRC 2003) ${}^5\text{He}$

effects are small, 0.2-0.3 MeV, except for *

(about double)

(and except for $A=5$)

Yamada (PRC 2004)

(iii) rearrangement effects in ${}^4\text{He}$

Kobayashi, et al (PRC 2003)
Fujiwara, Akaishi

huge !?

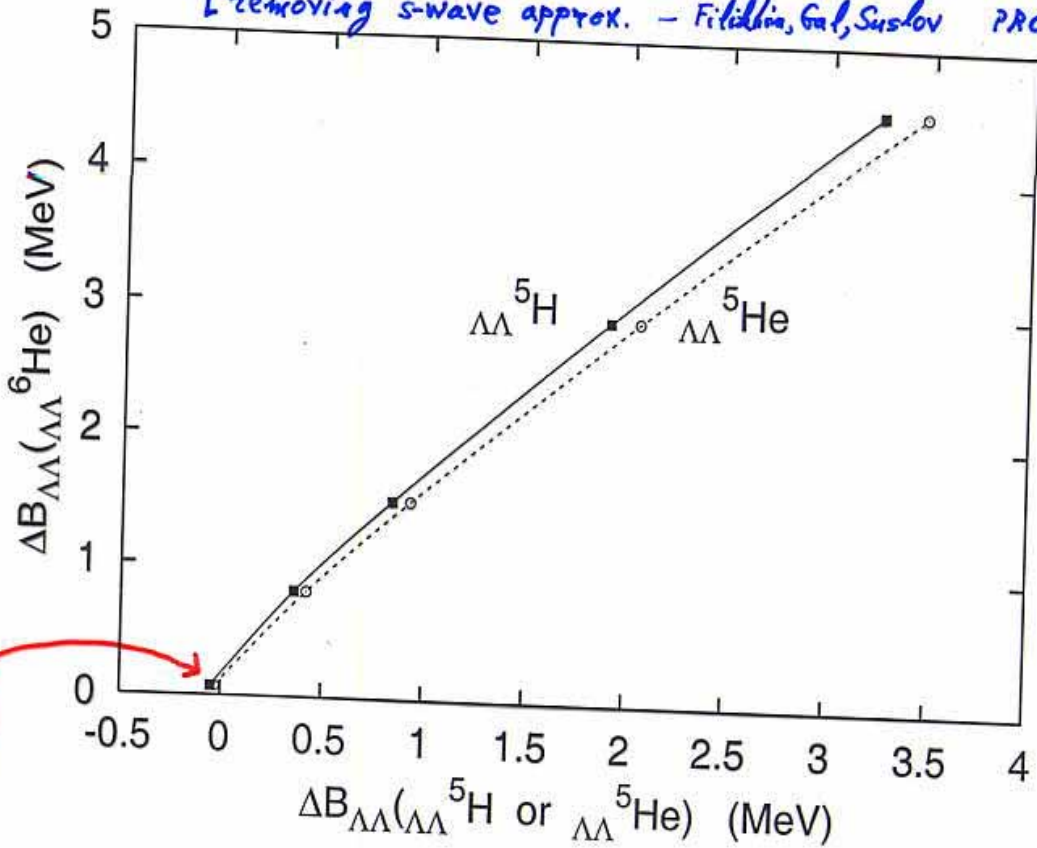
(i) + (ii) Namura et al. (2004)



Filippin and Gal, Faddeev calcs.

PRC (2003)
NPA

[removing s-wave approx. - Filippin, Gal, Suslov PRC (2003)]



$V_{\Lambda\Lambda} = 0$



${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ is reproduced



${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ is reproduced

$1^+ \text{ --- } 1.1$

$0^+ \text{ --- } 0$

MeV

${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{Z}$

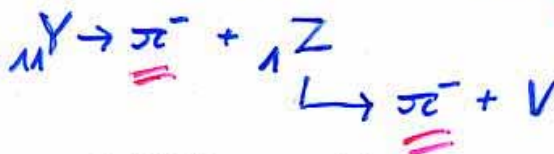
$$\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda} = B_{\Lambda\Lambda} - 2 \left(\frac{3}{4} B_{\Lambda}(1^+) + \frac{1}{4} B_{\Lambda}(0^+) \right)$$

yet ${}^5_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{Z}$ is stable against ${}^5_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{Z} \rightarrow \Lambda + {}^4_{\Lambda}\text{Z}$

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looking for pairs
of decay pions
in addition to those
from $\Lambda\Lambda$ decays



Production of $\Lambda\Lambda$ H Hypernuclei

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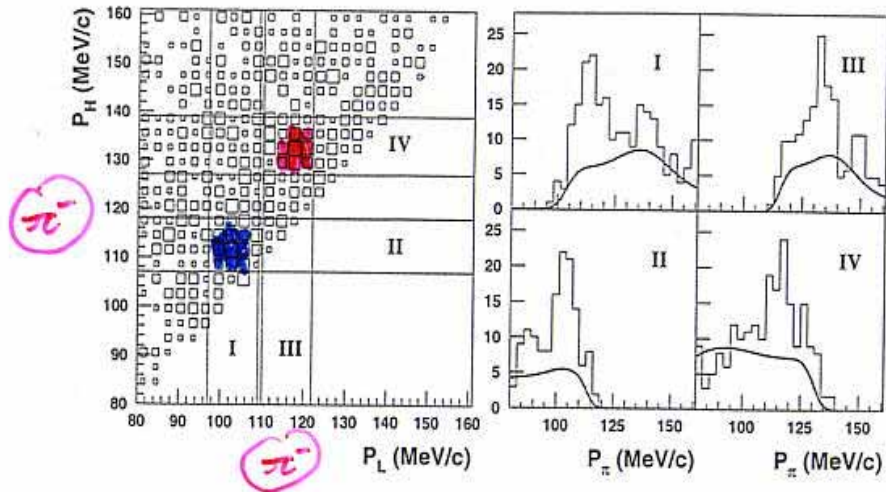
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Expected Signals and Lines

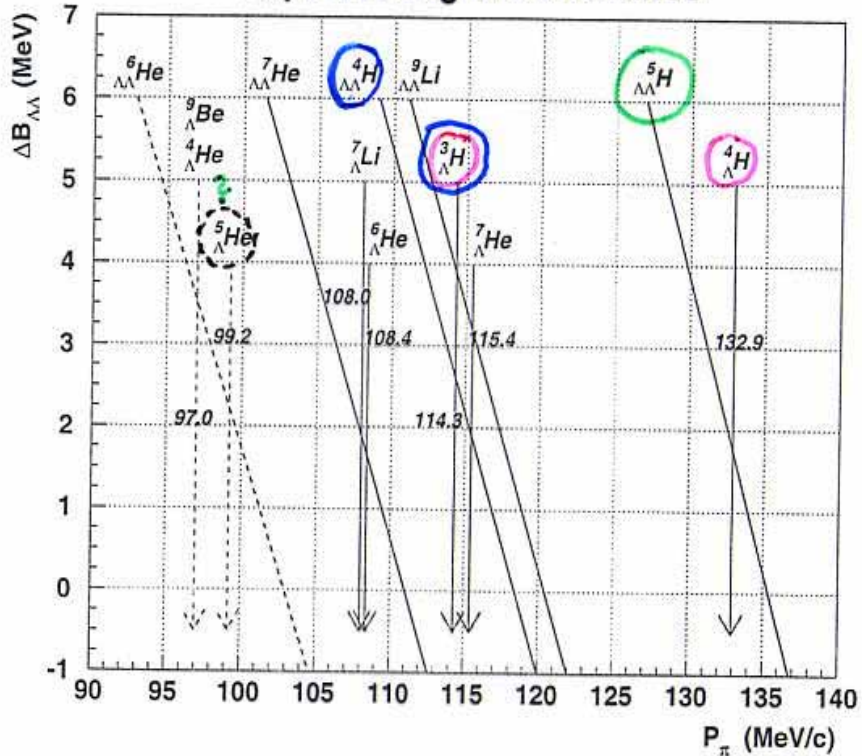
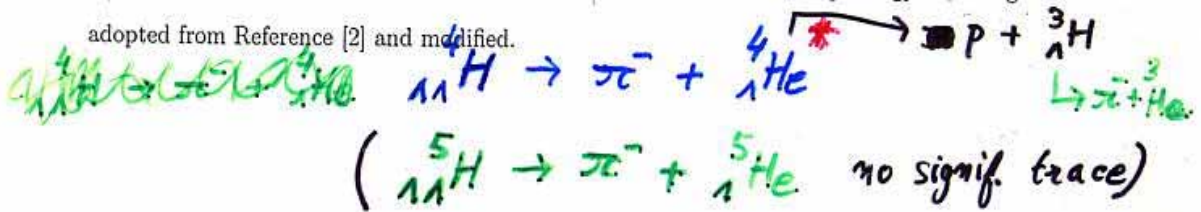
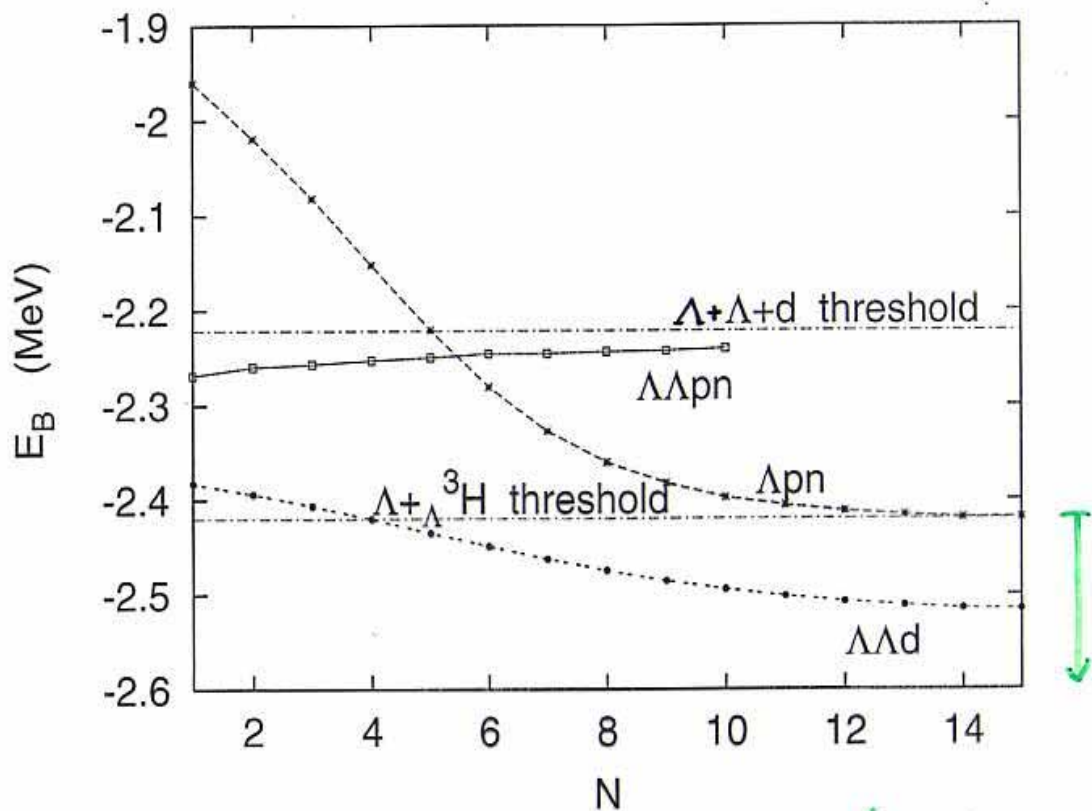


FIG. 3. The characteristic π momenta of the singly and doubly strange hyperfragments expected to be produced in this experiment. Dashed lines represent 3-body decay; the inclined lines show the dependence of the pion momenta on the assumed $\Lambda\Lambda$ pairing energy. This figure was adopted from Reference [2] and modified.



$\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda} \sim 1$ MeV for ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^6\text{He}$ is incompatible with ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^4\text{H}$ boundstate!
(Nemura)

Filikhin and Gal, PRL 89 (2002)



${}^4_{\Lambda\Lambda}H$ binding

4-body calc.

Increasing $V_{\Lambda\Lambda}$ does not bind ${}^4_{\Lambda\Lambda}H$!

How come Λpn is bound, but $\Lambda\Lambda pn$ is not ?

Nemura, Akaishi, Myint, PRC 67 (2003)

Stochastic variational search for ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^4\text{H}$

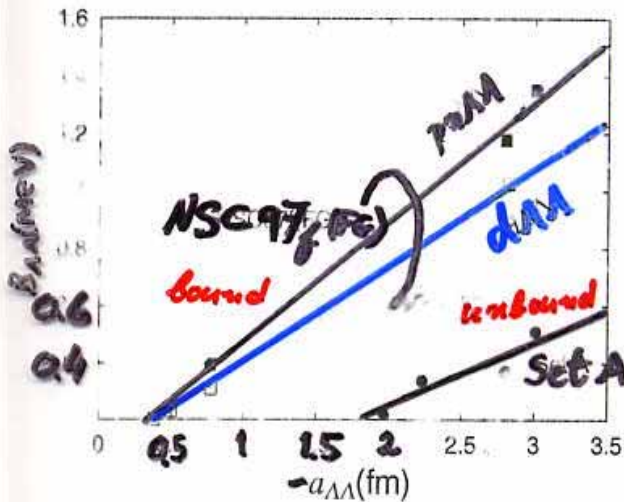


Fig. 1. Calculated $B_{\Lambda\Lambda}({}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^4\text{H})$ as a function of the scattering length, $a_{\Lambda\Lambda}$. The solid squares were obtained using the NSC97(FG) ΛN potential and the solid circles by the Set A potential. The open squares are the result of the $d\Lambda\Lambda$ three-body model, taken from Ref. [1]. The straight lines were drawn only for the sake of a guide to the reader.

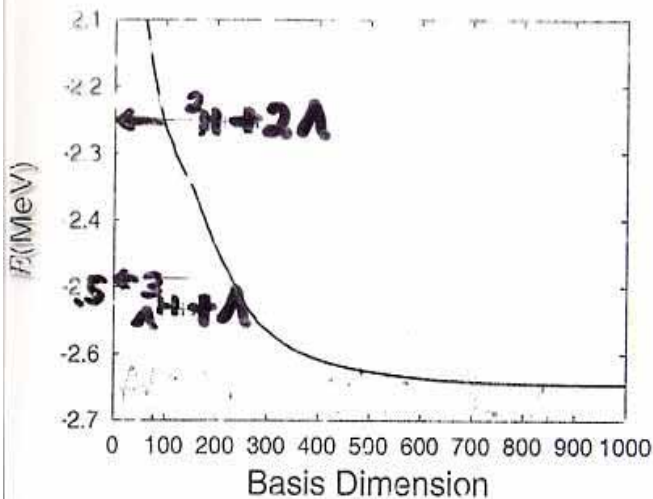


Fig. 2. Energy expectation value of ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^4\text{H}$ as a function of the basis dimension, K . The interactions are taken from Ref. [1]: spin-triplet NSC97(FG) ΛN and $\Lambda\Lambda$ deduced from the recent experimental $B_{\Lambda\Lambda}({}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^4\text{H}^*)$. The calculated energy is clearly set below the ${}^3\text{H} + \Lambda$ threshold.

Although the convergence of the energy is rather slow, the

	$\langle T_c \rangle$	$\langle V_{NN} \rangle$	E_c	$\sqrt{\langle r_{B=1}^2 \rangle}$
${}^2\text{H}$	18.74	-20.99	2.25	3.85
${}_{\Lambda}^3\text{H}^*$	19.09	-21.20	2.22	3.76
${}_{\Lambda}^3\text{H}$	20.70	-22.30	-1.59	3.54
${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^4\text{H}(a_{\Lambda\Lambda} = -0.77\text{fm})$	22.28	-23.17	-0.88	3.34
${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^4\text{H}(a_{\Lambda\Lambda} = -2.8\text{fm})$	24.73	-24.55	0.18	3.08

TABLE I: Energy expectation values of kinetic (T_c) potential (V_{NN}) terms, and the sum of these energies (the pn subsystem, in units of MeV). The rms distances of a proton and a neutron, or between a nucleon and a Λ listed, in units of fm. The spin-triplet pn and NSC97 ΛN potentials, taken from Ref. [1], were used.

	$B_{\Lambda}({}_{\Lambda}^3\text{H})$	$B_{\Lambda}({}_{\Lambda}^4\text{H})$	$B_{\Lambda}({}_{\Lambda}^4\text{H}^*)$
NSC97(FG)	0.24	2.69	1.99
Set A	0.18	2.24	1.14
Experiment	0.13 ± 0.05	2.04 ± 0.04	1.90 ± 0.0

TABLE II: Λ separation energies, given in units of $B/A = 3, 4$ single- Λ hypernuclei. The Minnesota NN ρ was used.

other at the point where $a_{\Lambda\Lambda} = 0$ fm. This is due to the polarization of the pn subsystem is small, and the $d\Lambda\Lambda$ model is a good approximation if the interaction is very weak. The polarization of the pn subsystem grows as the strength of the $\Lambda\Lambda$ interaction increases. Table I lists the energy expectation values of the proton and neutron subsystem in each hypernucleus, and also the root-mean square distances between a p and an n , or between a nucleon and a Λ . Here the kinetic energy of the pn subsystem, which is denoted by $T_c = (\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2)^2/4m_N$. The table shows that the influence of the Λ particle upon the internal structure of the pn subsystem becomes large as the Λ particle gets close to the nucleon. Especially in the case of a strong attractive $\Lambda\Lambda$ potential, the change in the internal structure of the pn subsystem is significant.

As can be seen in Fig. 2, the $B_{\Lambda\Lambda}$ value is sensitive to the choice of the ΛN potential. For the purpose of deciding whether ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^4\text{H}$ exists as a particle-stable bound state, the ΛN potential has to be examined carefully. Table II compares the B_{Λ} values of $A = 3, 4$ hypernuclei. The calculated B_{Λ} value of the $A = 4$ single- Λ hypernucleus using NSC97(FG) is larger than that using Set A.

Summary and Outlook

(i) $S = -2$ is the frontier of experimentation in Strangeness Nuclear Physics

a. $\Lambda\Lambda$ hypernuclei
(relevance to H dibaryon)

b. Ξ hypernuclei
(relevance to Strange Hadronic Matter)

(ii) Facilities:

Japan Hadron Facility

AGS - uncertain future
 Ξ^- atom search is feasible!
 ≈ 2006

50 GeV hadron machine

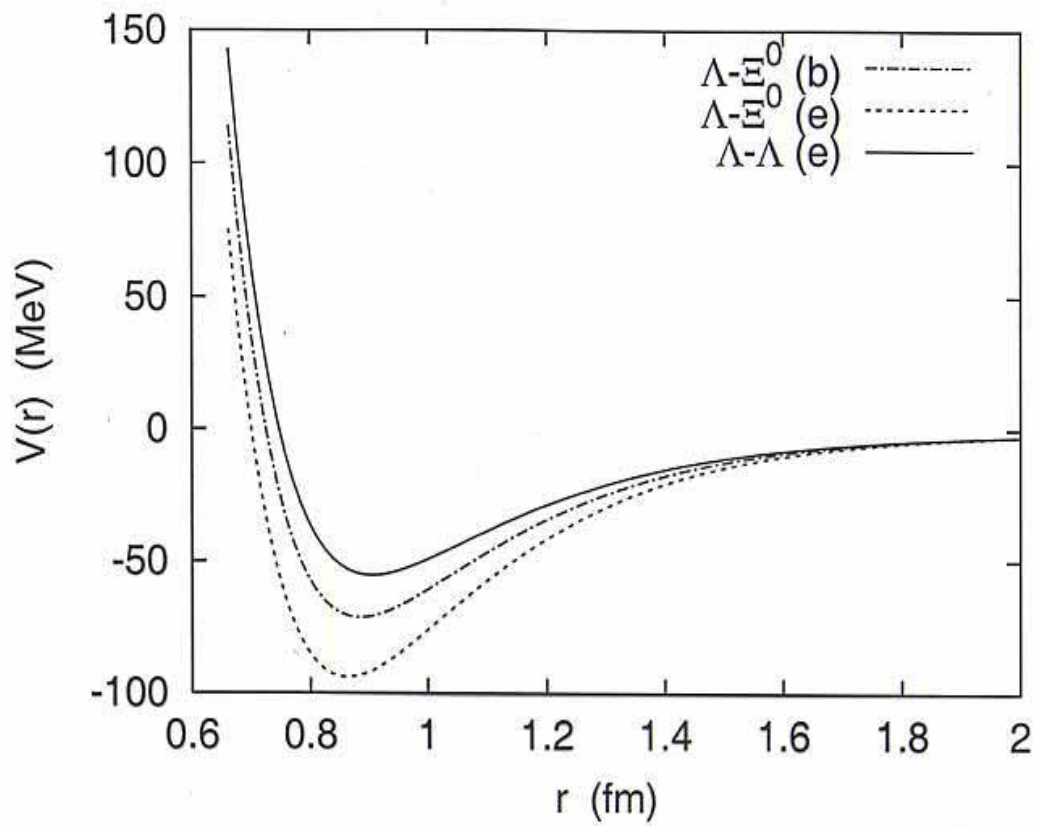
High Energy Storage Ring (GS1) - \bar{p} beam

Pochodzalla et al.: $\bar{p}p \rightarrow \Xi^- \Xi^+$

(3 GeV/c) $\hookrightarrow \Xi^- p \rightarrow \Lambda\Lambda$

estimate 4000 $\Lambda\Lambda$ hyp. per month on ^{12}C target

(Kilian: $\bar{p}p \rightarrow \bar{K}^* K^*$, $\bar{K}^* N \rightarrow \Xi K$)



from $S = -2$ to $S = -3$

using NSC97

Faddeev Calculations

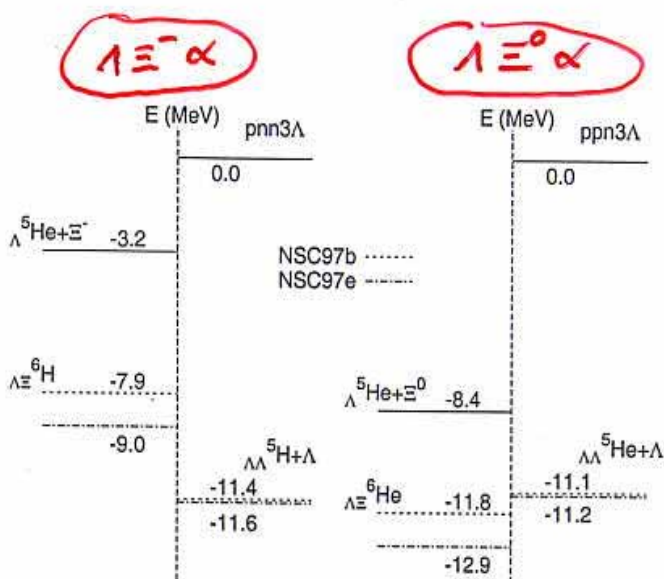


FIGURE 4. Calculated level scheme of ${}_{\Lambda\Xi}^6\text{H}$ and ${}_{\Lambda\Xi}^6\text{He}$ hypernuclei.

[18], does not resolve this incompatibility. Adding ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^{13}\text{B}$ [9] as input does not alleviate it either, since the possibility of unobserved γ deexcitation cannot be dismissed also for this species, while on the theoretical side the analysis of ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^{13}\text{B}$ in terms of a few-body cluster is more dubious than for the lighter $\Lambda\Lambda$ species.

Discarding past history of this emulsion experimentation for $\Lambda\Lambda$ hypernuclear events identified as heavier than ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^6\text{He}$, because of the ambiguities mentioned here, one remains with the very recent report from the KEK E373 experiment [14] which claims to have identified uniquely ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^6\text{He}$, with $\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda} \sim 1$ MeV. No particle-stable excited states are possible for this species or for its Λ hypernuclear core ${}_{\Lambda}^5\text{He}$, so this event - if confirmed - should be taken as the most directly relevant constraint on the $\Lambda\Lambda$ interaction.

Moreover, ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^6\text{He}$ is also ideally suited for three-body cluster calculations such as the Faddeev equations here solved for the $\alpha\Lambda\Lambda$ system. Using s -wave soft-core $\Lambda\Lambda$ potentials that simulate several of the Nijmegen $\Lambda\Lambda$ interaction models, we have shown that model NSC97 is the only one capable of coming close to the observed binding, short by about 0.5 MeV of the new value [14]. In fact, we estimate the theoretical uncertainty of our Faddeev calculation for ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^6\text{He}$ as bounded by 0.5 MeV, and such that the precisely calculated binding energy is *larger* by a fraction of this bound than the $\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda}$ values shown in Table 4. Taking into account such possible corrections would bring our calculated $\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda}$ values to within the error bars of the reported $\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda}$ value. There are two possible origins for this theoretical uncertainty, one is the restriction to s -waves in the partial-wave expansion of the Faddeev equations, excluding higher ℓ values; the other one is ignoring the off-diagonal $\Lambda\Lambda - \Xi N$ interaction which admixes Ξ components into the ${}_{\Lambda\Lambda}^6\text{He}$ wavefunction. Both effects have been tested in several previous calculations and found small. For example, a recent work by Yamada and Nakamoto [37] using

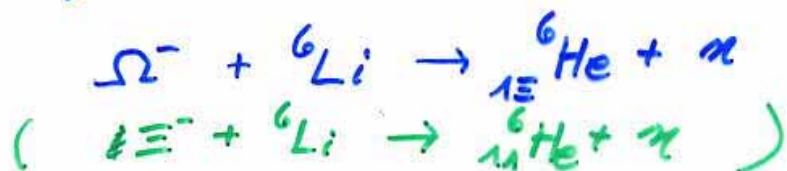
$S = -3$

${}_{\Lambda}^6\text{He}$ is particle stable ($\Lambda \equiv {}^0\alpha$)

${}_{\Lambda}^6\text{H}$ is **not** particle stable ($\Lambda \equiv {}^{-}\alpha$)

($m_{\Xi^{-}} > m_{\Xi^0}$ by 6.5 MeV)

Lightest $S = -3$ stable bound state;
requires Ω^{-} initiated reactions for production



Main assumptions:

1. $\Lambda \equiv$ from model NSC97 which is close to reproducing ${}_{\Lambda}^6\text{He}$ 'new' B_{Λ} .
2. $\Lambda\alpha$ is fitted to $B_{\Lambda}({}_{\Lambda}^5\text{He})$.
3. $\Xi\alpha$ is normalized to $\Xi^{-}{}^{11}\text{B}$ potential depth as deduced from E885 $K^{-} + {}^{12}\text{C} \rightarrow K^{+} + {}_{\Xi}^{12}\text{Be}$.

Ξ -nucleus interaction is poorly known;

search for ${}_{\Xi}^{\Lambda}Z$ bound states ($\Gamma \lesssim 3$ MeV)
and look for Ξ^{-} X rays in $n\Xi^{-}$ atoms.

Introduction

From Hypernuclei to Multi-Strange Objects

ordinary nuclei



A, Z

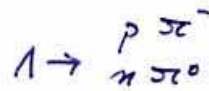
Λ -hyp.



A, Z

$$\left[\underbrace{(M_\Lambda - M_N) + (B_N - B_\Lambda)}_{\sim 176 \text{ MeV}} \right] \gg E_F = \frac{k_F^2}{2M_N} \approx 40 \text{ MeV}$$

$\sim 10^{-10} \text{ sec}$

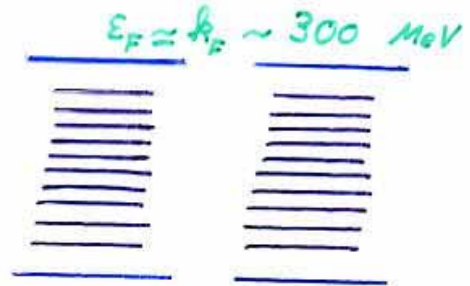
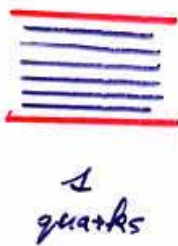


Add strangeness to nuclei: A, Z , Λ, Z , ...

Strange Quark Matter

Chin, Keznan 1979
Witten
Farrhi, Jaffe } 1984

$(M_\Lambda - M_N) \sim m_\Lambda - m_{u,d}$
 $\sim 150 \text{ MeV}$



Q (charge)

$-\frac{1}{3}$

$-\frac{1}{3}$

quarks

$+\frac{2}{3}$

Stable (?) Matter ???

$f_2 \approx \frac{1}{2}(1 - f_s)$

$f_2 = \frac{Z}{A} \rightarrow A^{-2/3}, f_s = \frac{|S|}{A} \sim 0.5 - 1.0$

3. Multi-Strange Objects -- Λ' 's and Ξ' 's

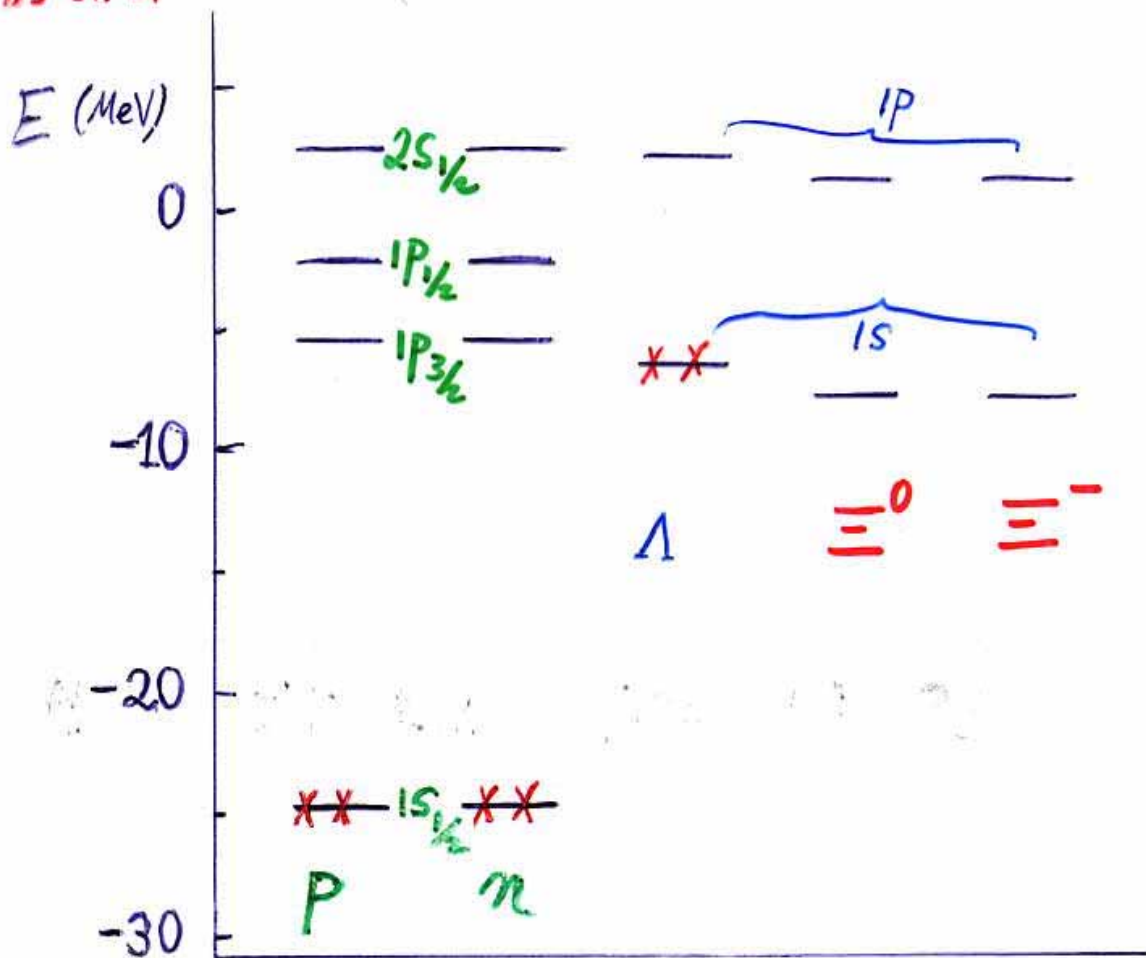
$$\Xi + N \rightarrow \Lambda + \Lambda + (\sim) 25 \text{ MeV}$$

($\sigma + W$ model)

overcome it
by Pauli blocking
of bound Λ' 's

Example: $pp \pi \pi \Lambda \Lambda \Xi^0 \Xi^0 \Xi^- \Xi^-$
 $n \bar{n} \pi^+ \pi^-$

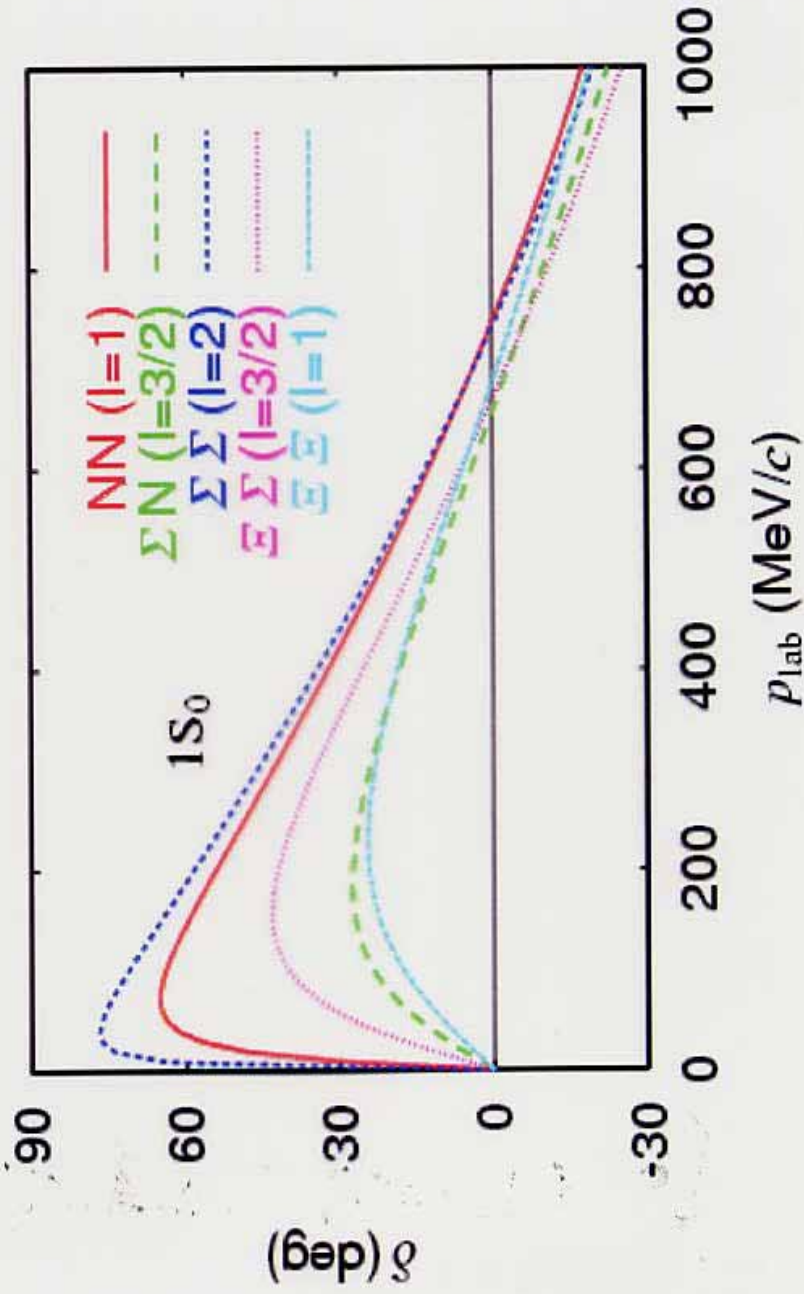
Schaffner et al.
PRC 46, 322 (92)



Fujiwara et al.

PRC 64 (2001) 054001

1S_0 phase shifts for B_8B_8 interactions with the pure (22) state (fss2)



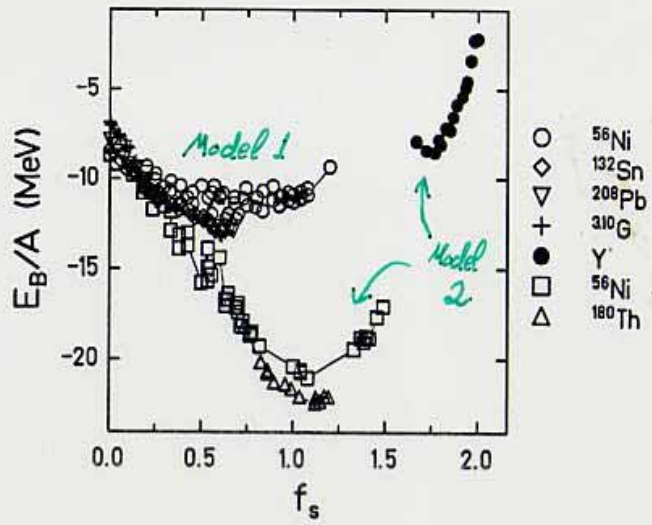


Figure 1: The binding energy of several SHM species vs. the strangeness fraction $f_s = |S|/A$

Schaffner Dover, Gal, C. Greiner, Stöcker

PRL 71 (1993) 1328 ; Ann. Phys. 235 (1994) 35 .

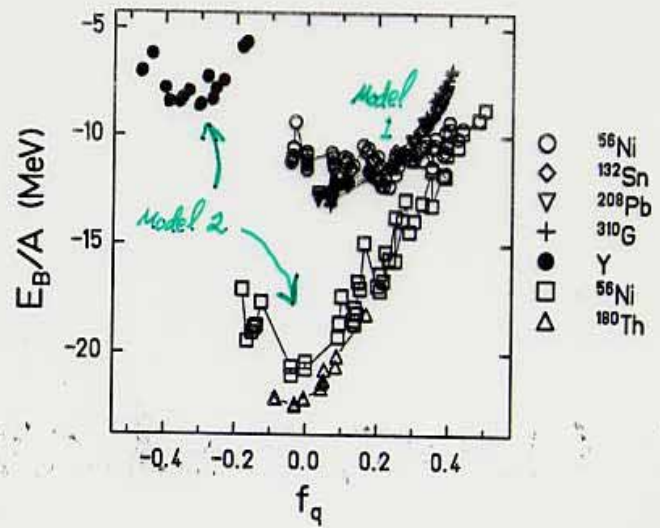
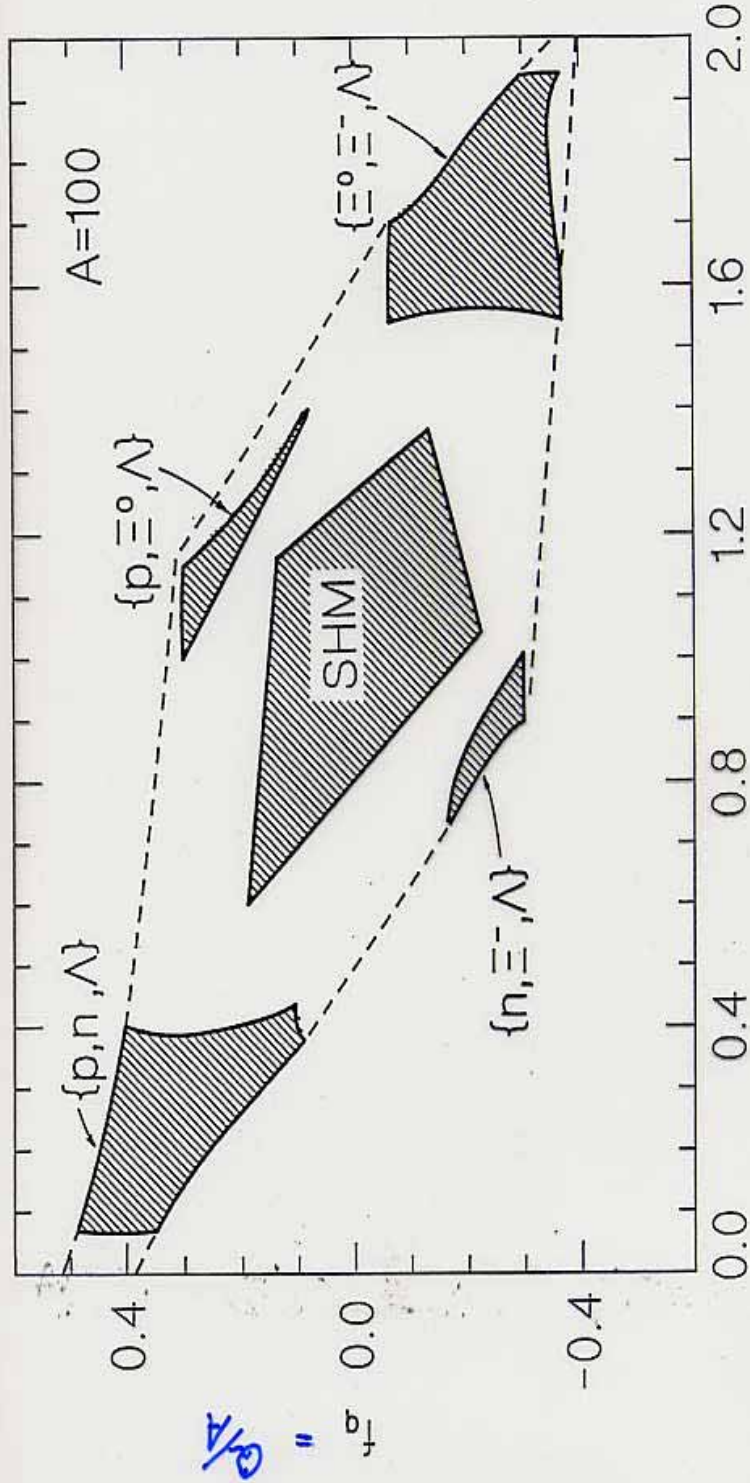
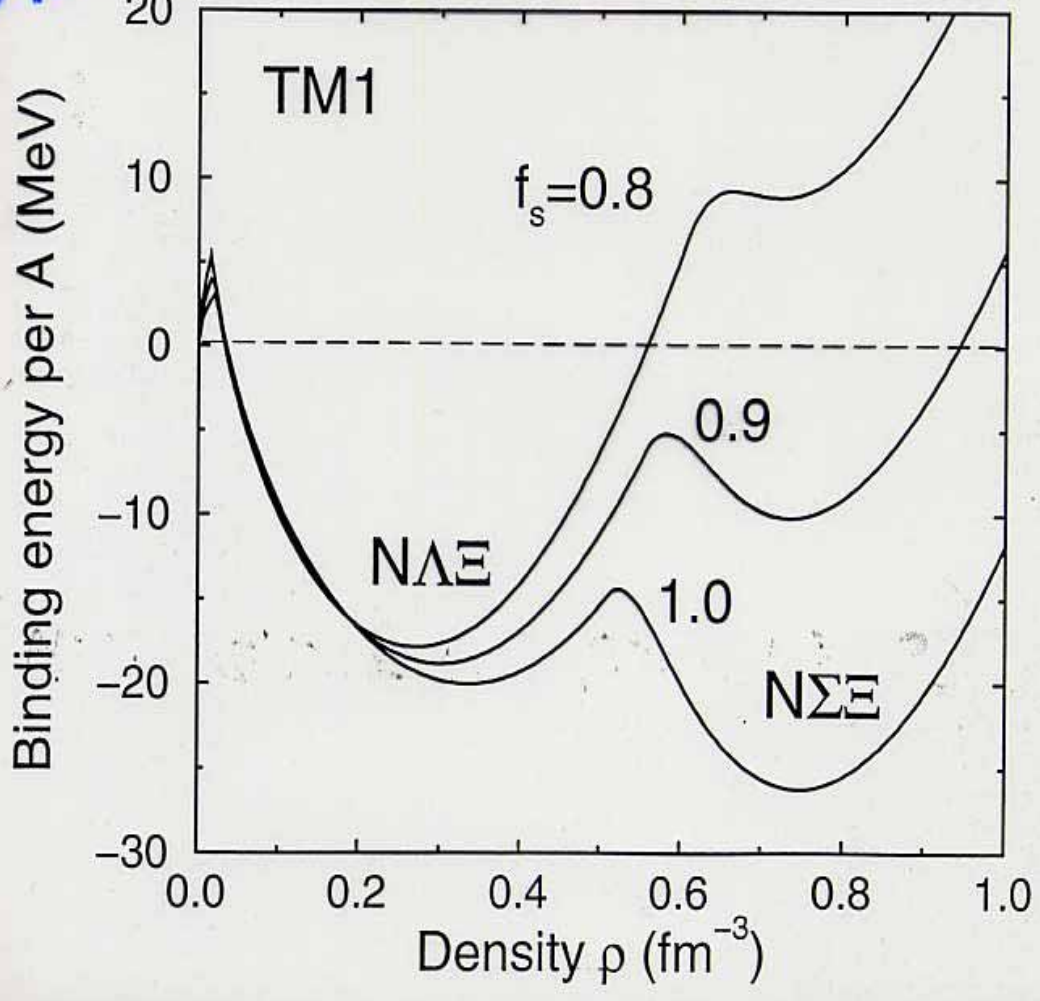
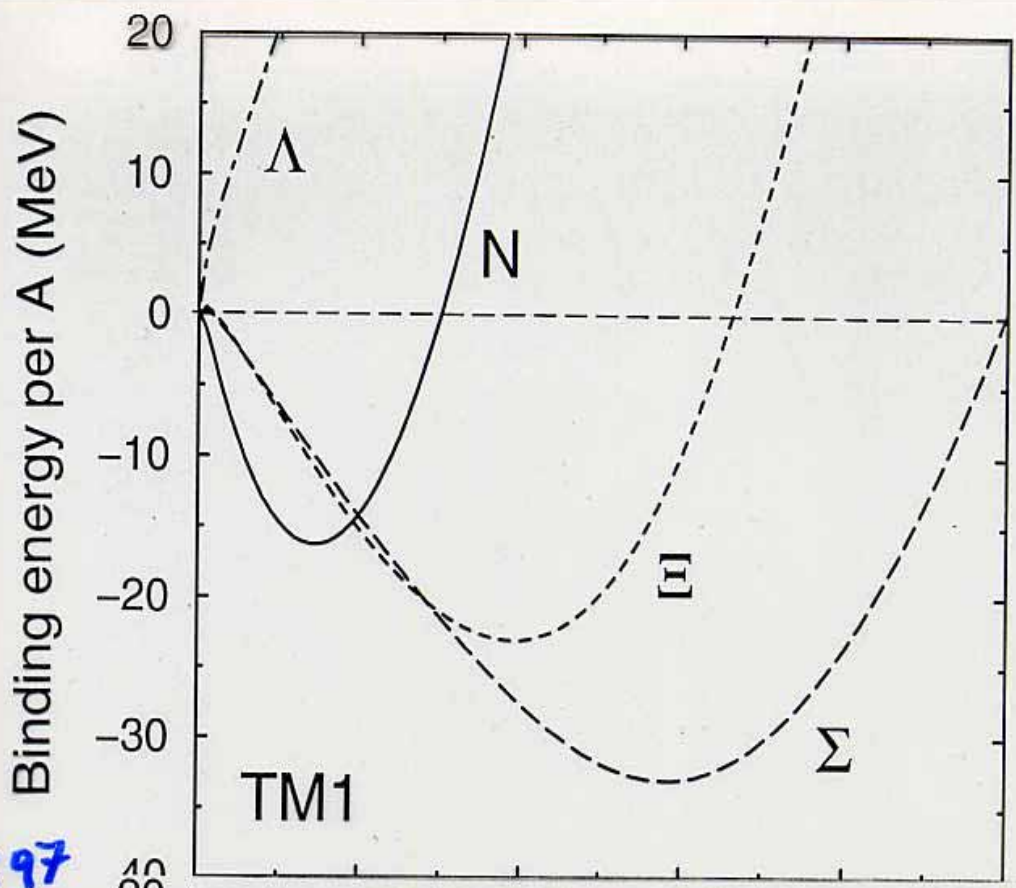


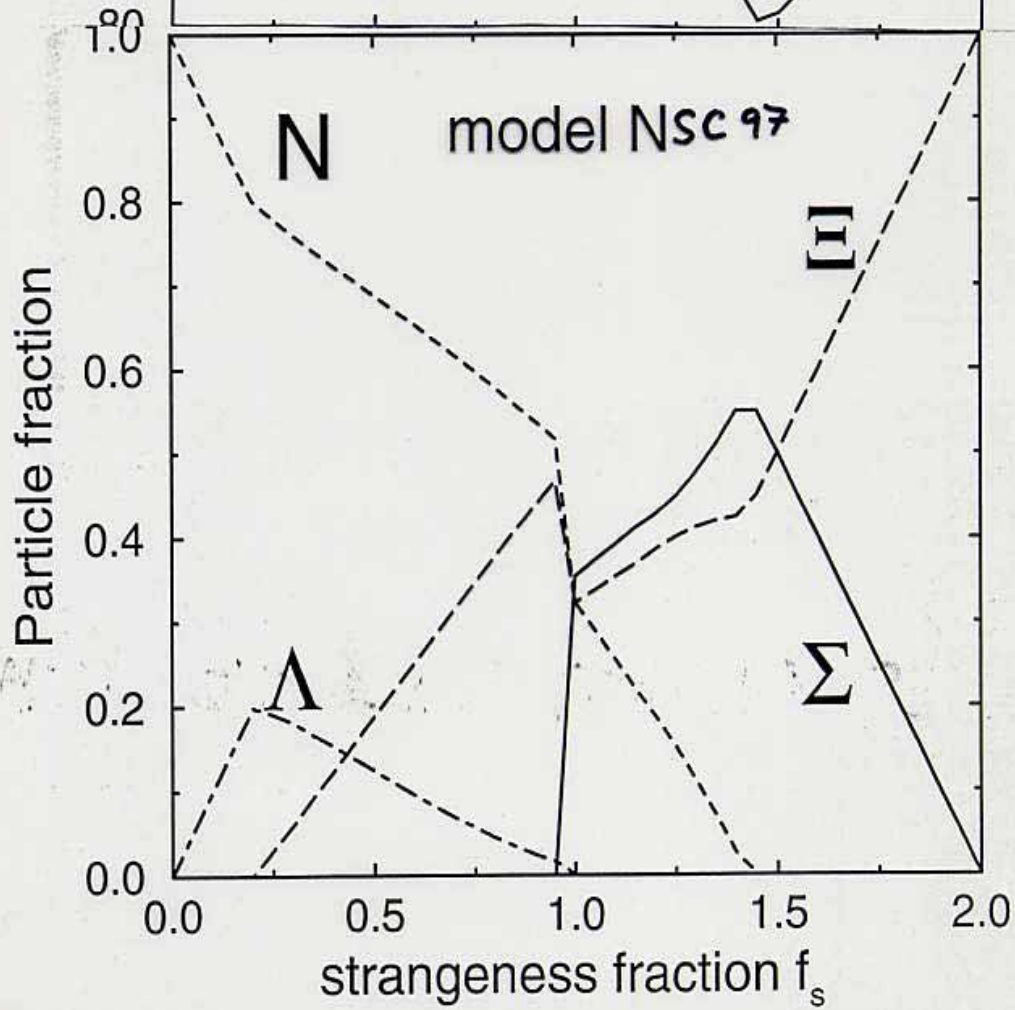
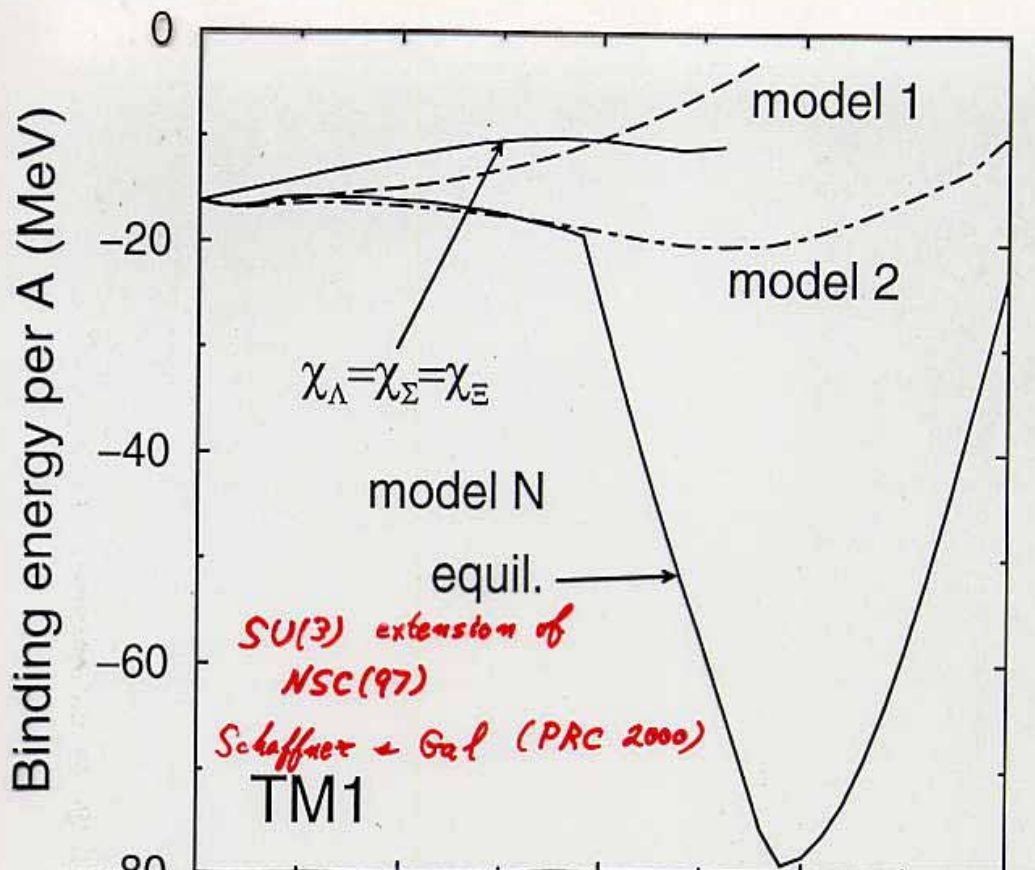
Figure 2: The binding energy of several SHM species vs. the charge fraction $f_q = Z/A$.



$$f_s = |S|/A$$

Balberg, Gal, Schoffner application of the generalized Bethe Weizsäcker mass formula
 (Dover, Gal NPA 1993)
 Fig. 5





CONCLUSION

strange hadronic matter is stable
against strong interactions: $\{p, n, \Lambda, \Xi^0, \Xi^-\}$

$$\tau \lesssim 10^{-10} \text{ -- } 10^{-12} \text{ sec}$$

$$\rho \sim 2\rho_0$$

$$b_s \sim 1$$

$$b_2 \sim 0$$

$$E_0/A \sim -15 \text{ -- } -25 \text{ MeV, but perhaps even more}$$

model dependence is NOT strong

* lightest bound $\Xi^0 \Lambda \Lambda \text{He}$

detection sensitivity of 10^{-n} at AGS $\Rightarrow n \geq |S| + A - 3$

consolidate $S = -2$ hadron/nucleon physics

(* perhaps $\Xi^0 \Lambda \Lambda \text{He}$ is bound)

NSC97: phase transition $N\Lambda\Xi \rightarrow N\Sigma\Xi$
($f_{s=1}$)