

# p $\phi$ interaction from femtoscopy and comparison to lattice QCD

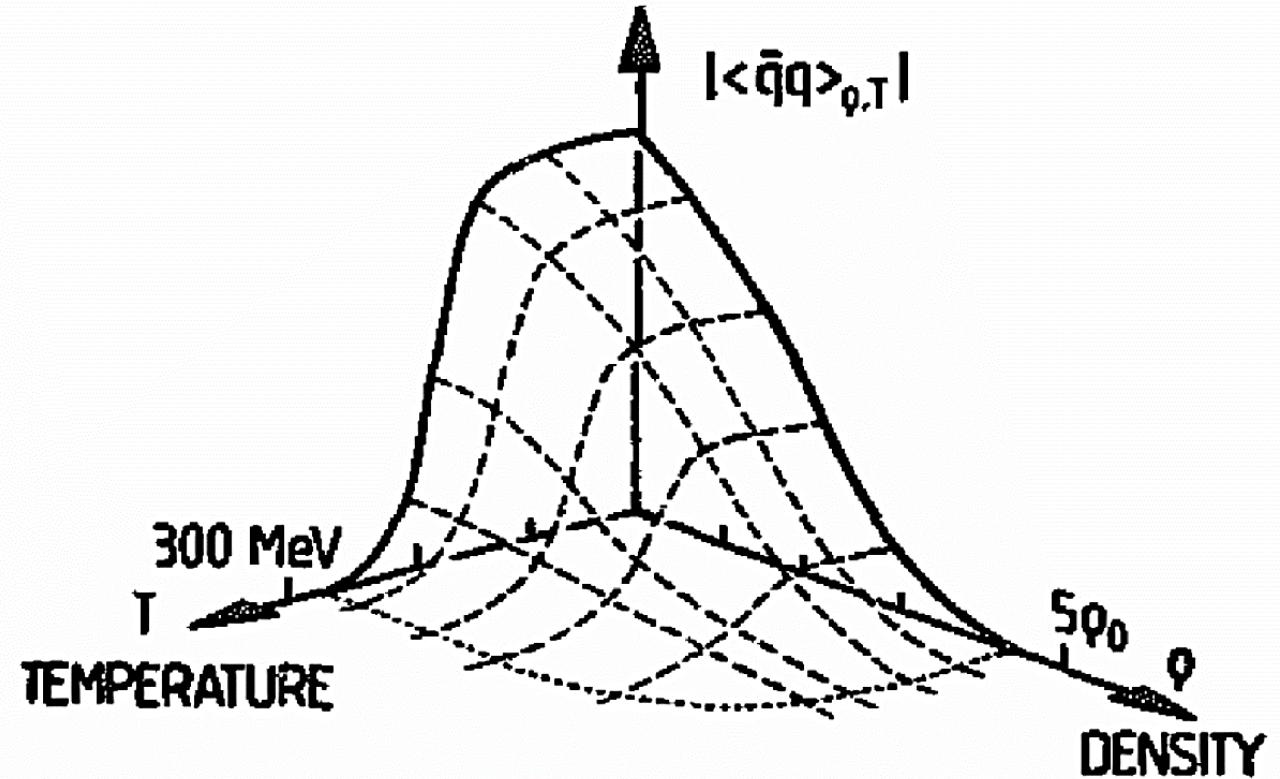
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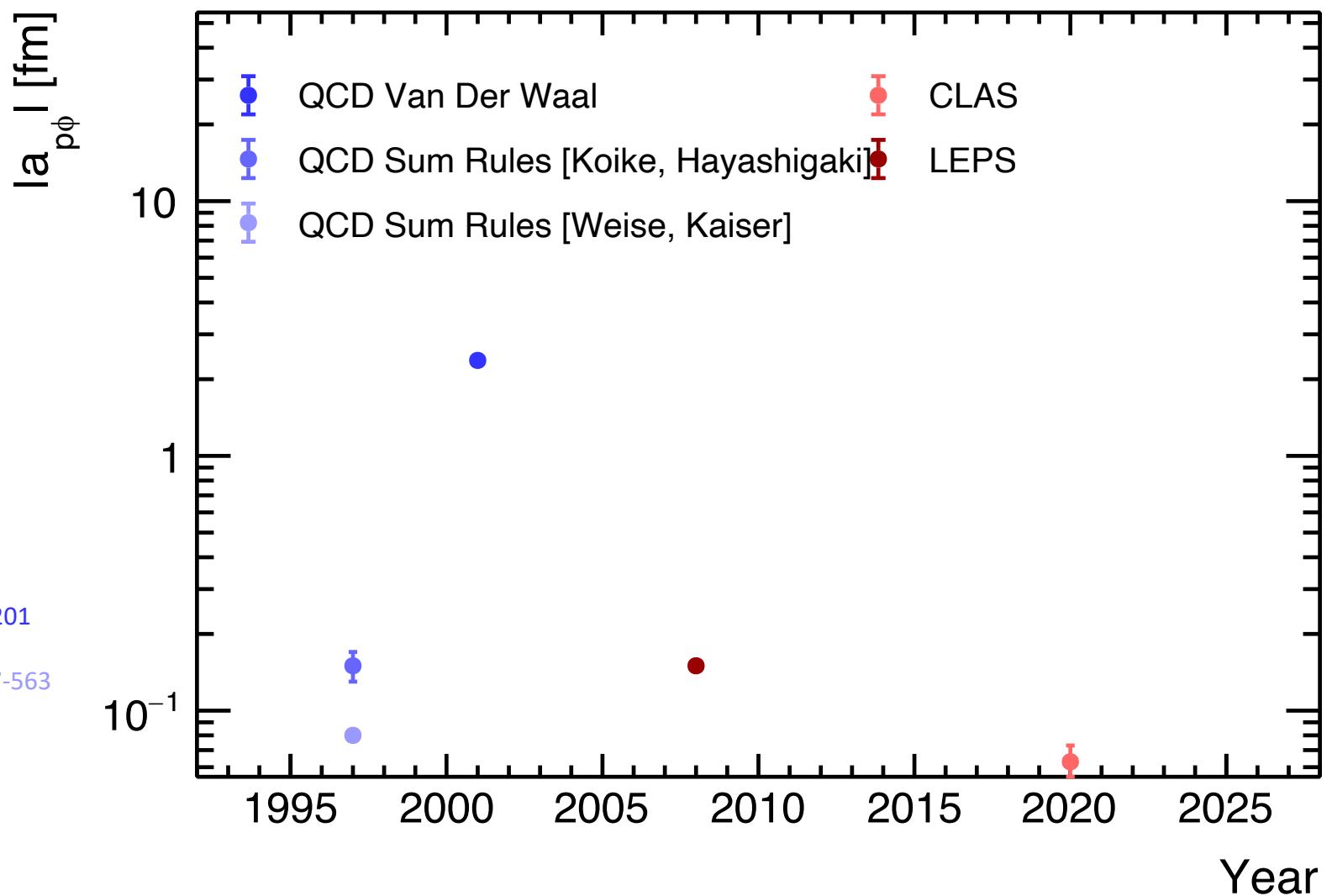
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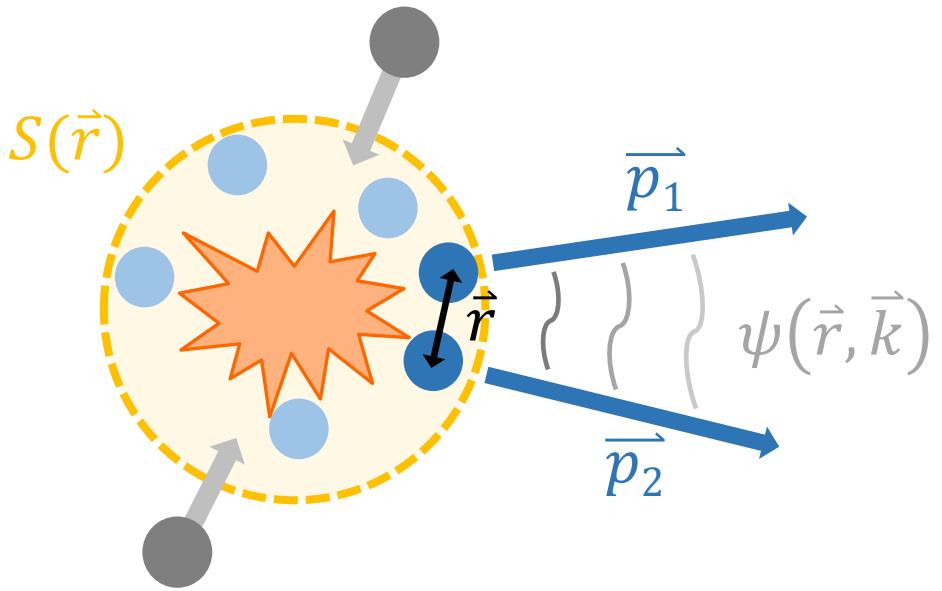
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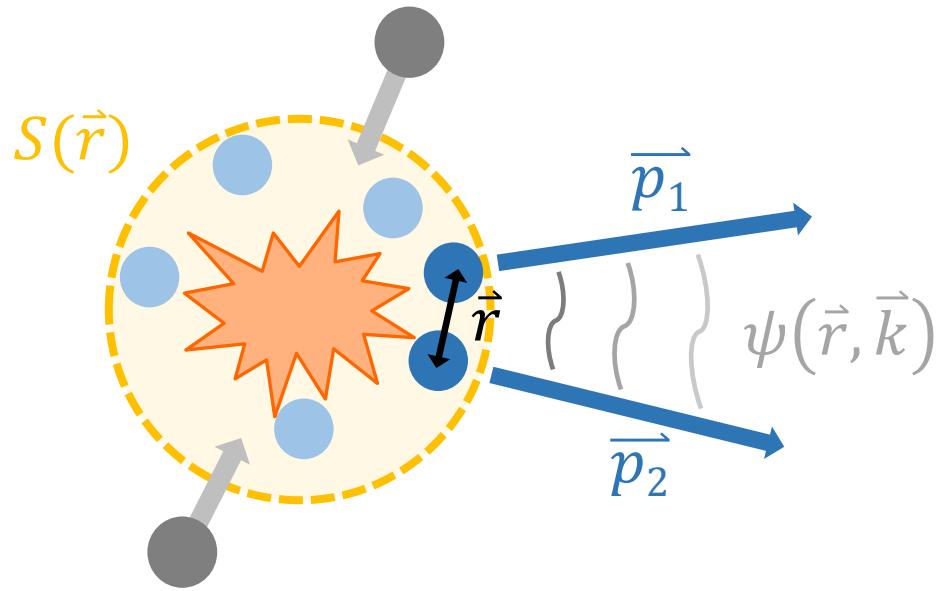
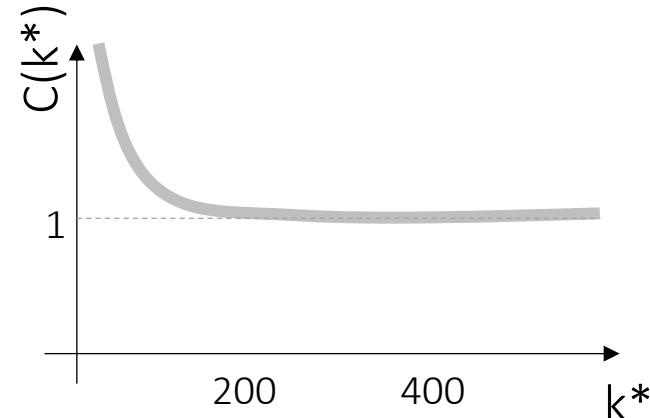
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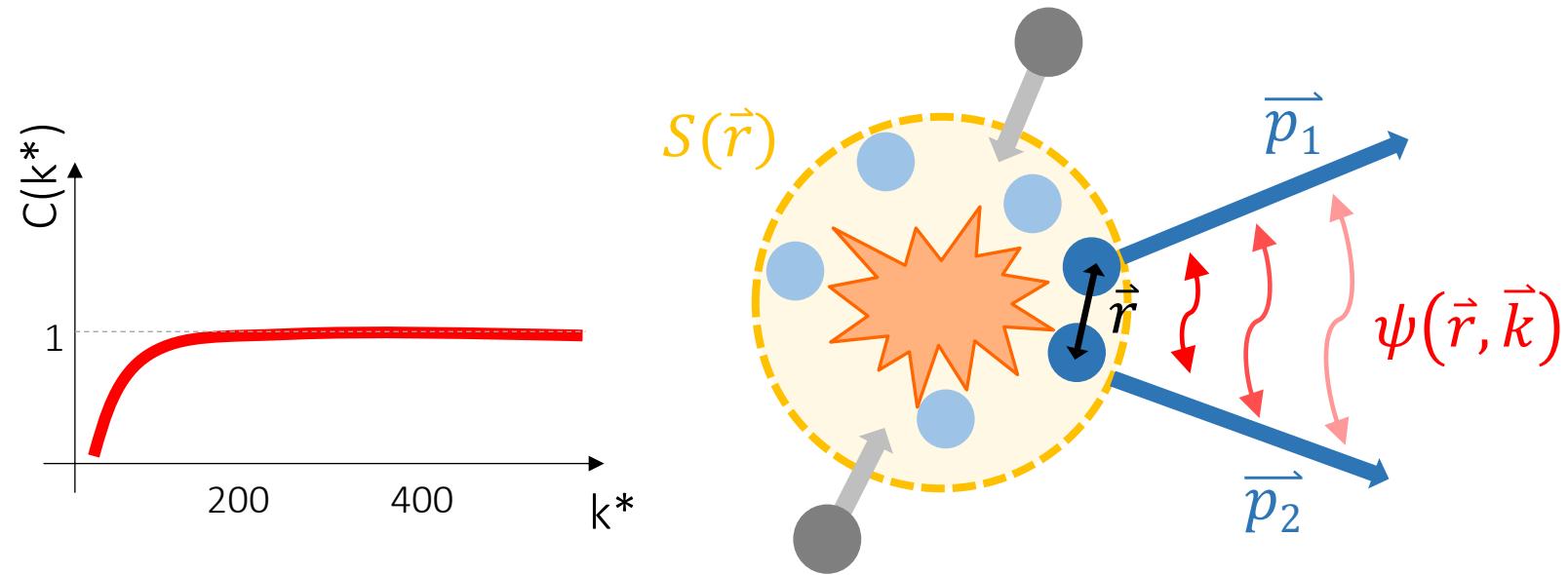
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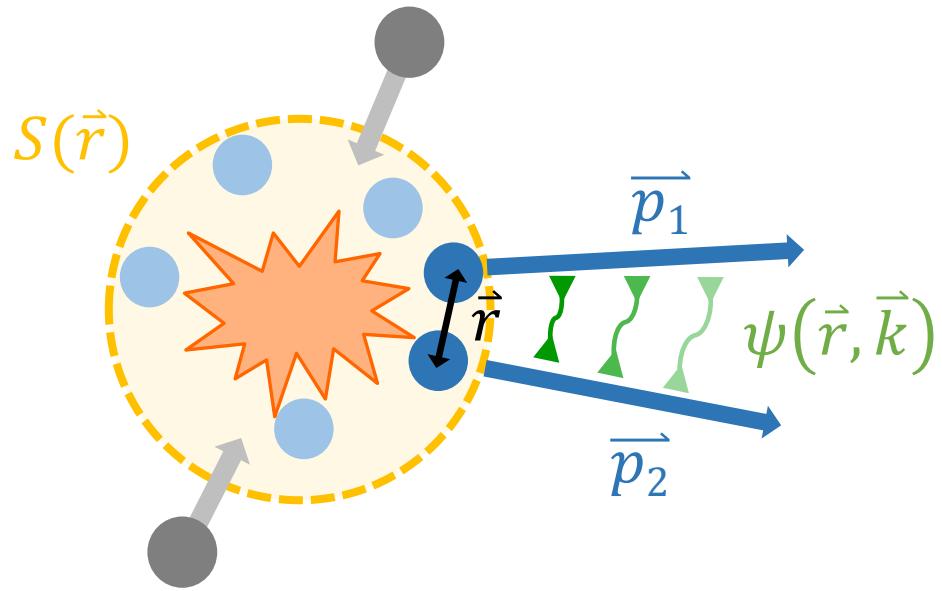
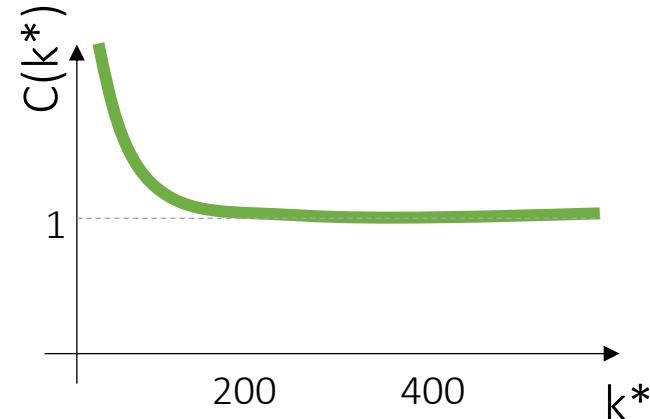
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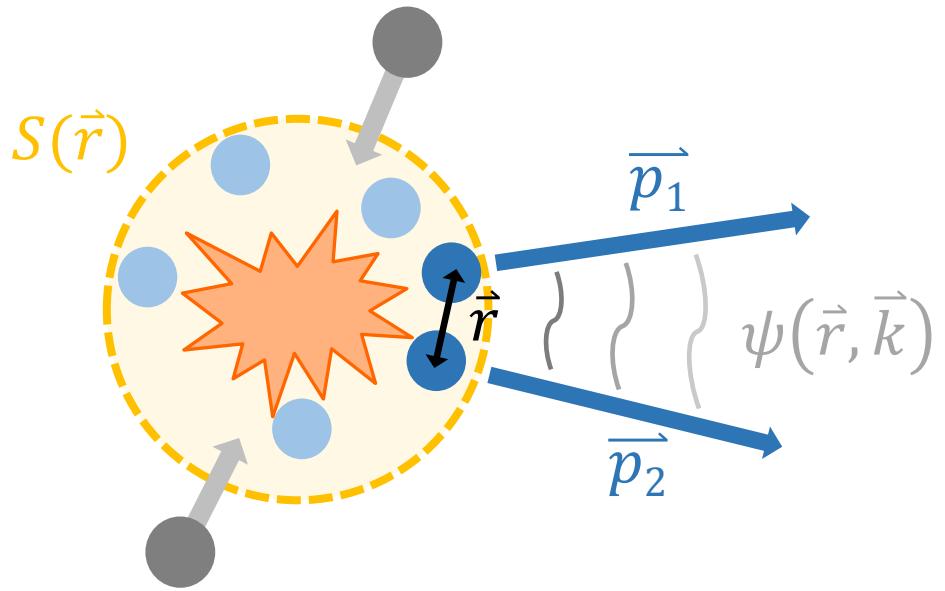


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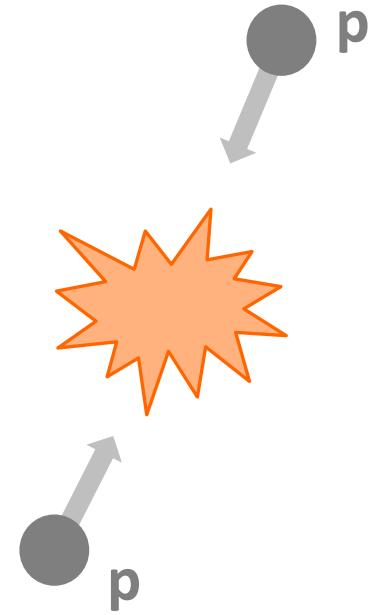
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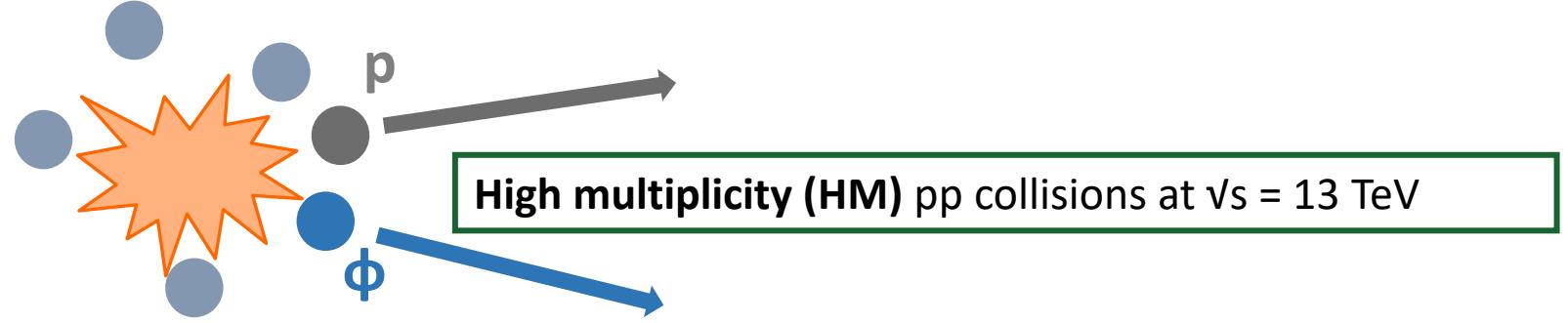
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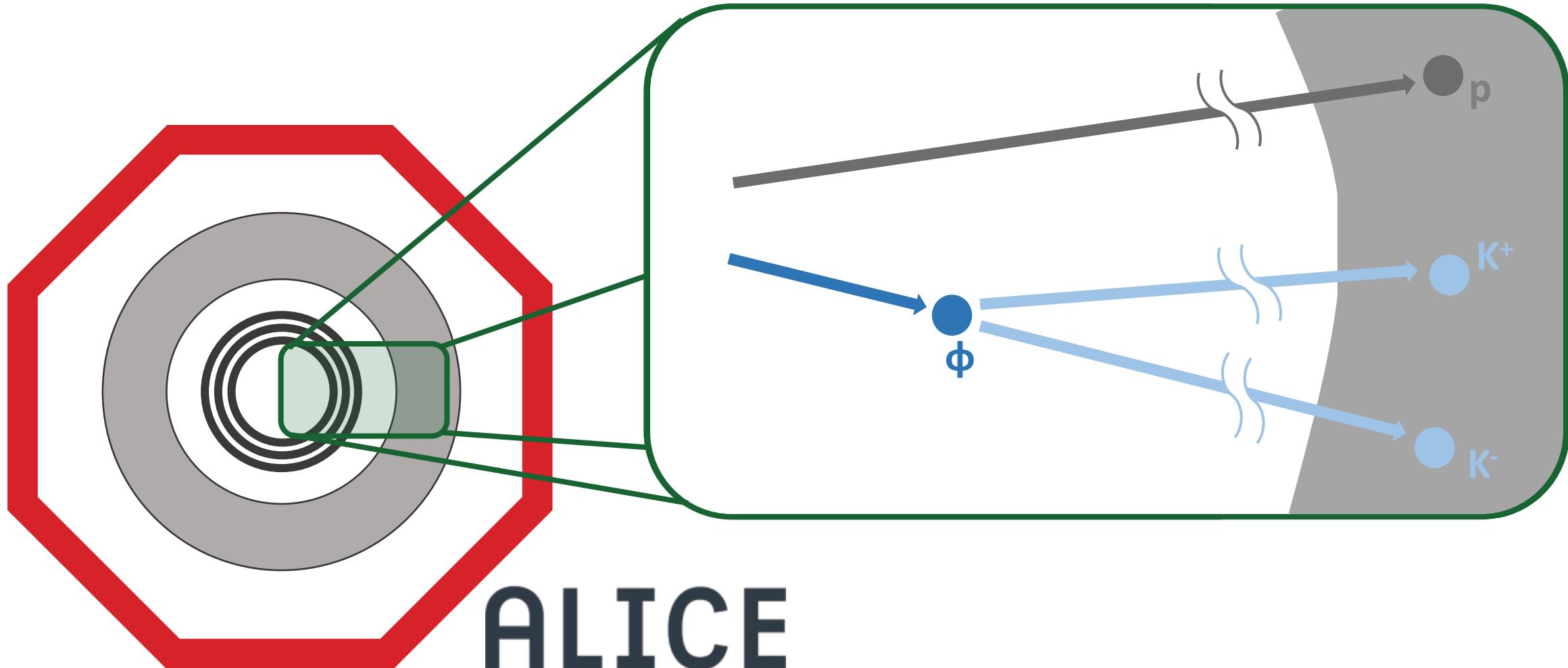


High multiplicity (HM) **pp collisions** at  $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$

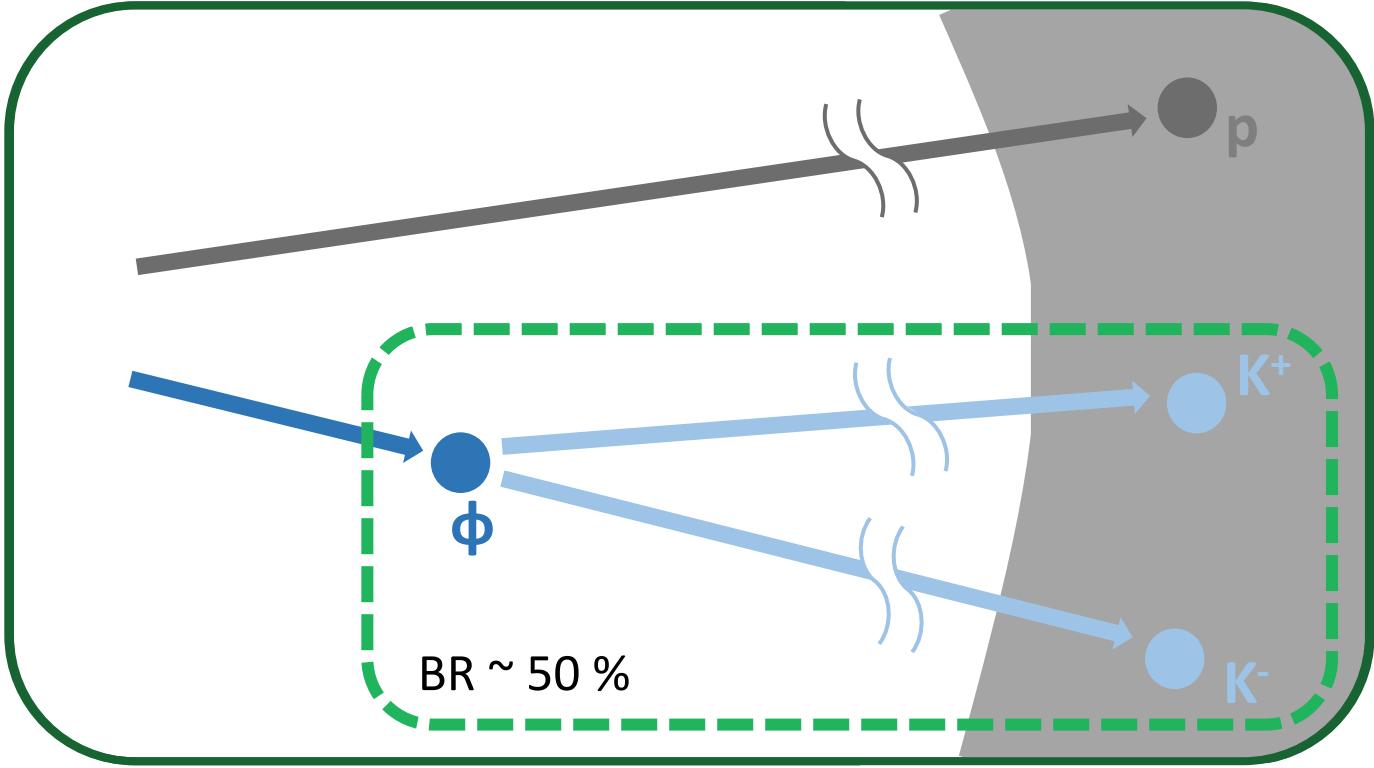
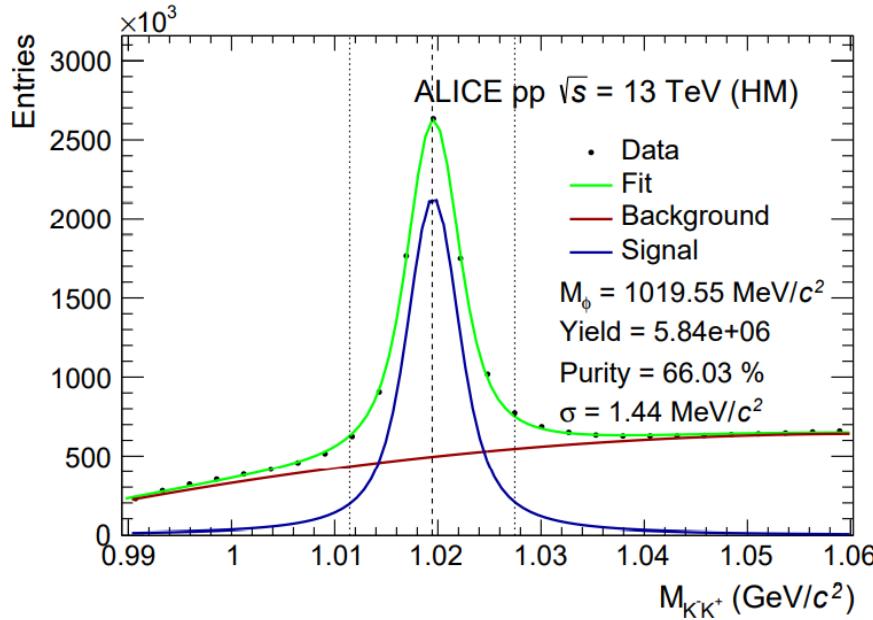
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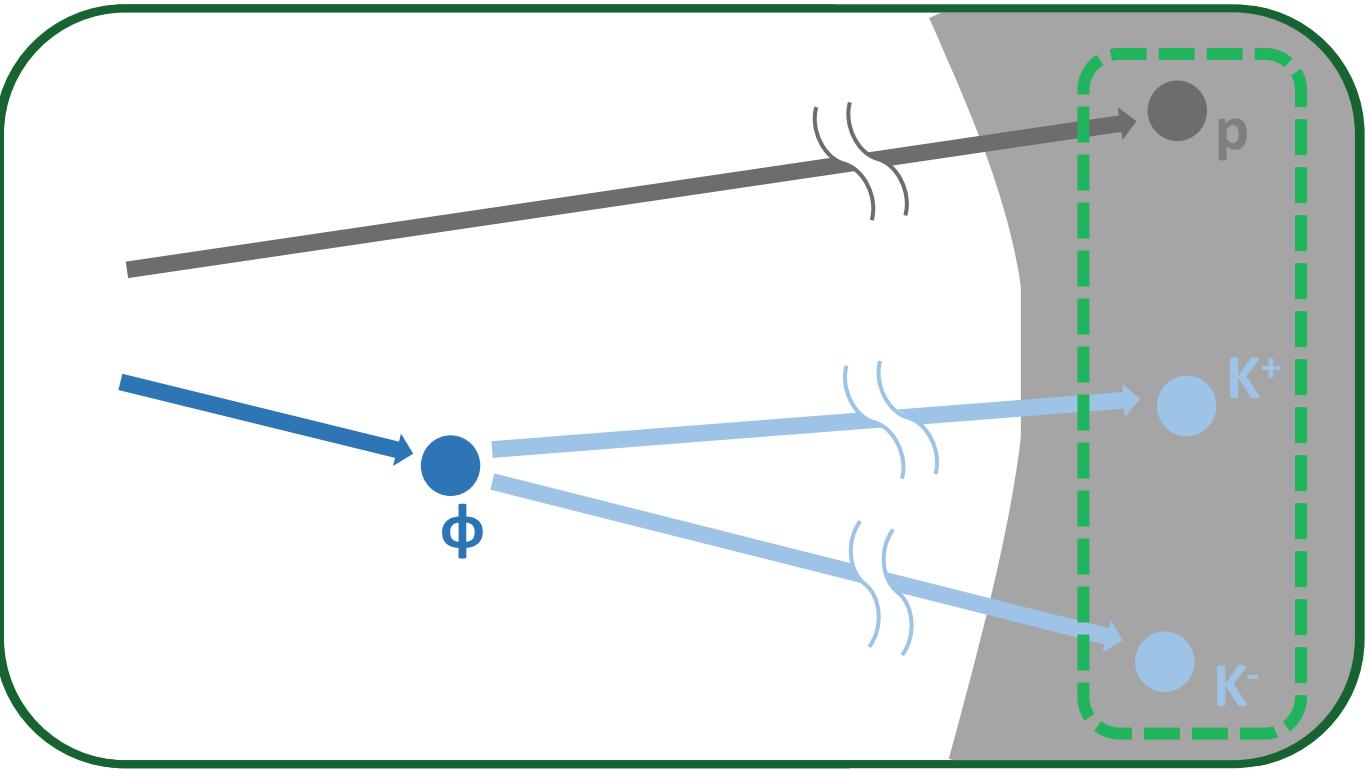
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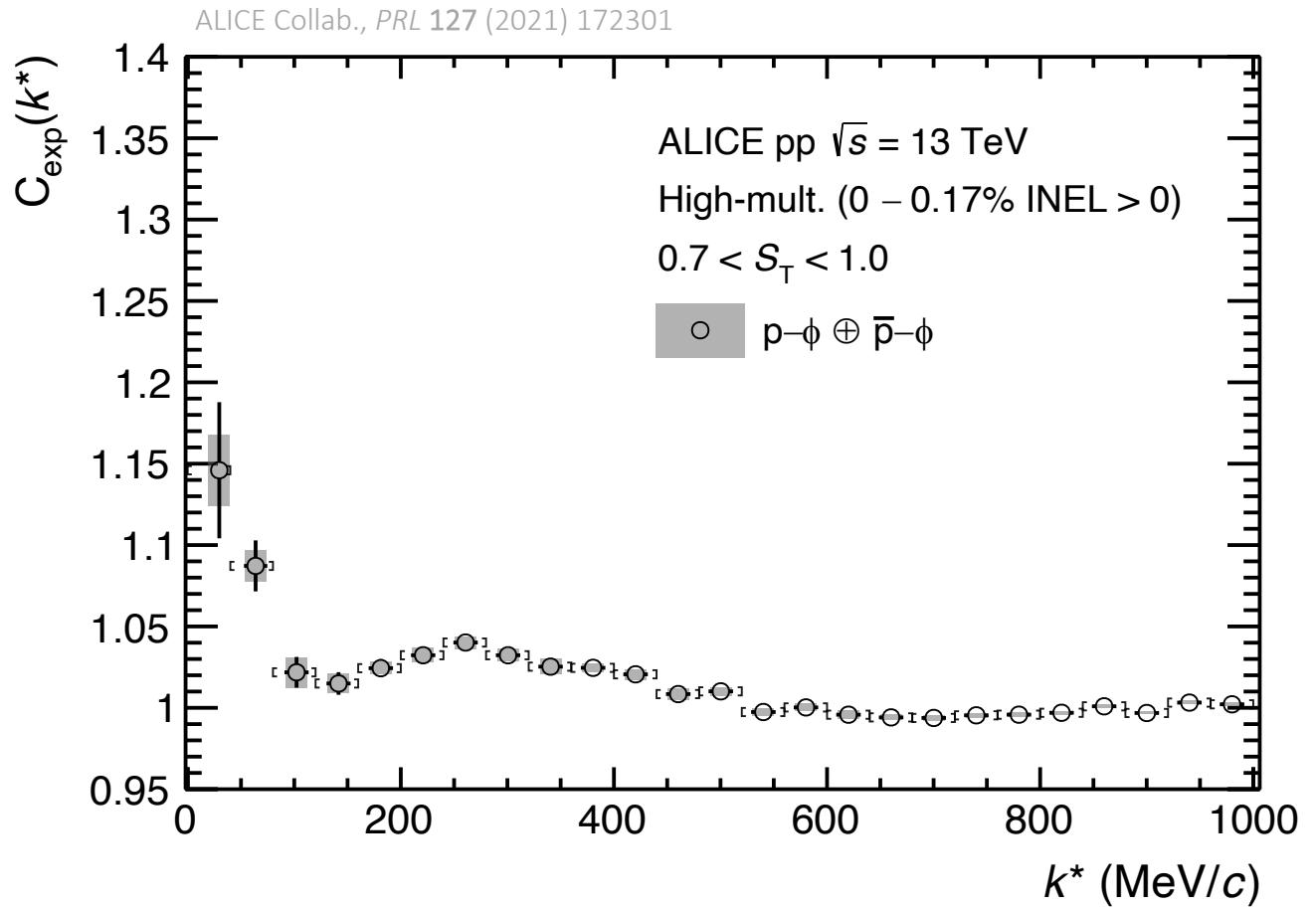
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Excellent PID with ALICE Detector → charged particles measured directly with purities  $\sim 99\%$

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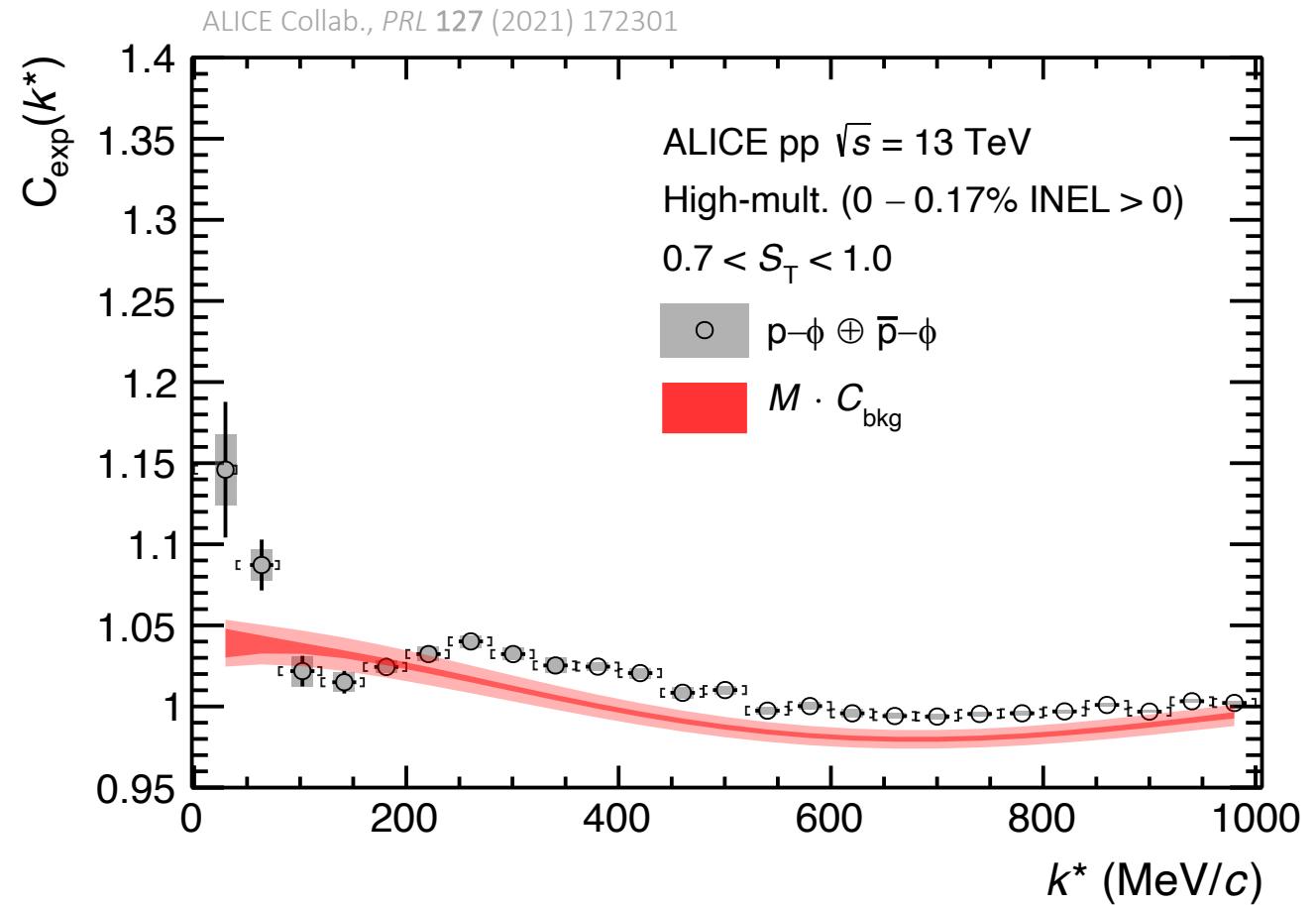
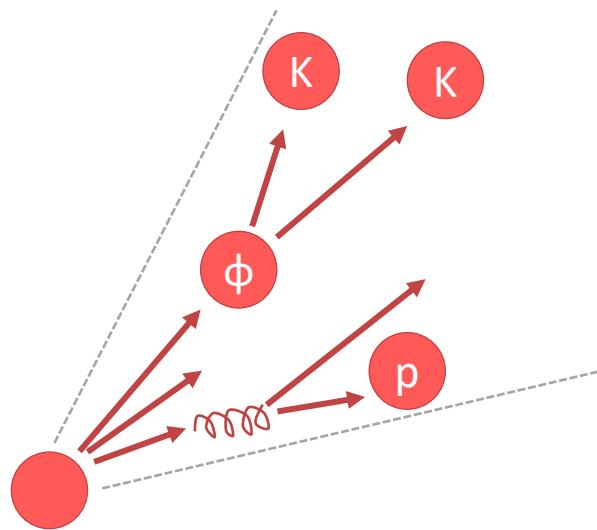


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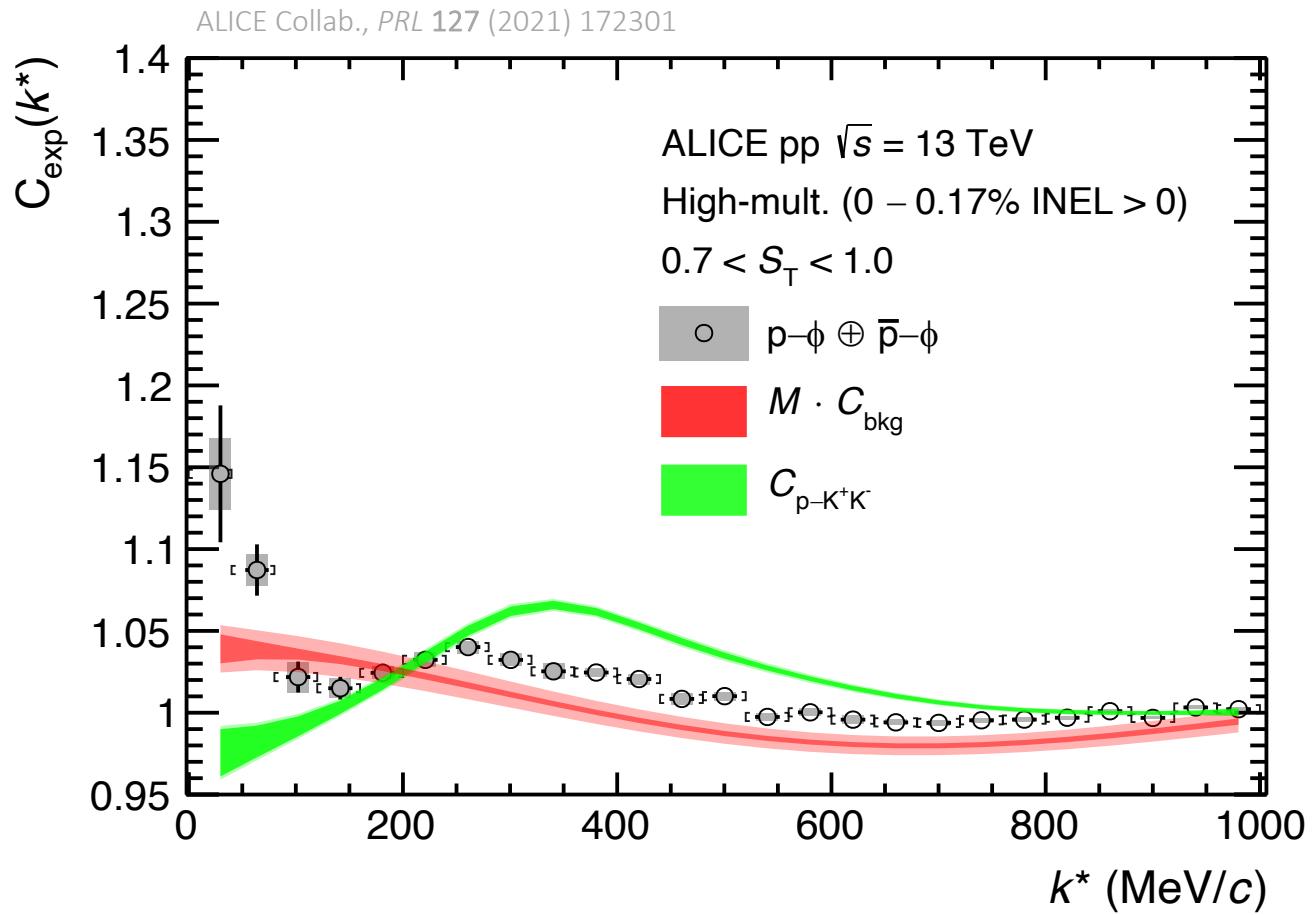
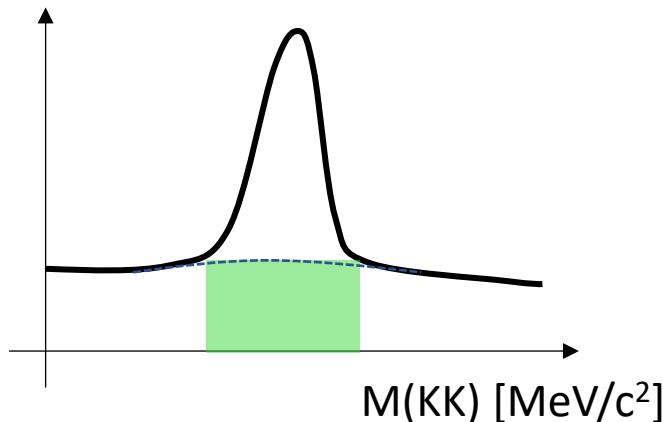
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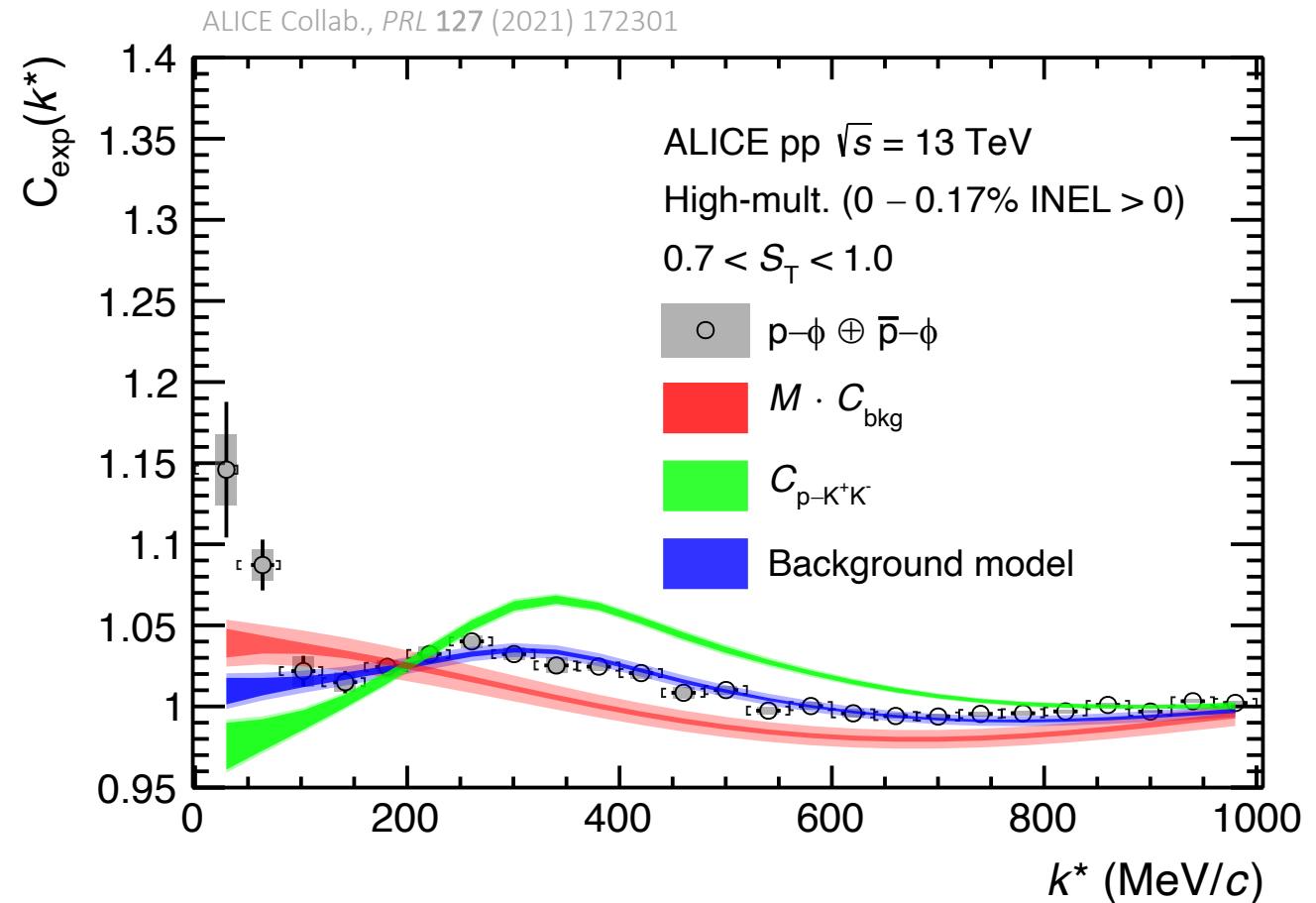
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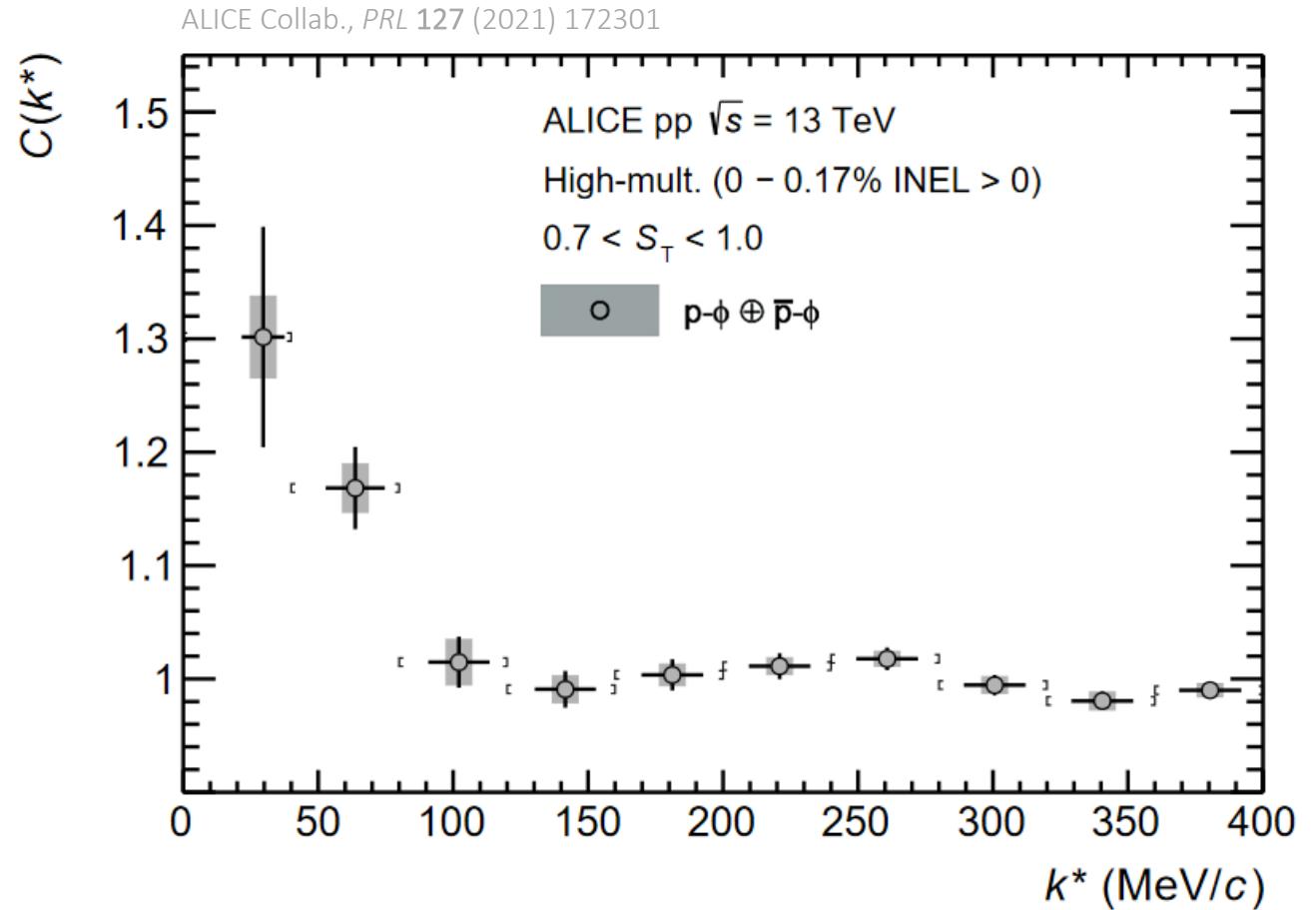
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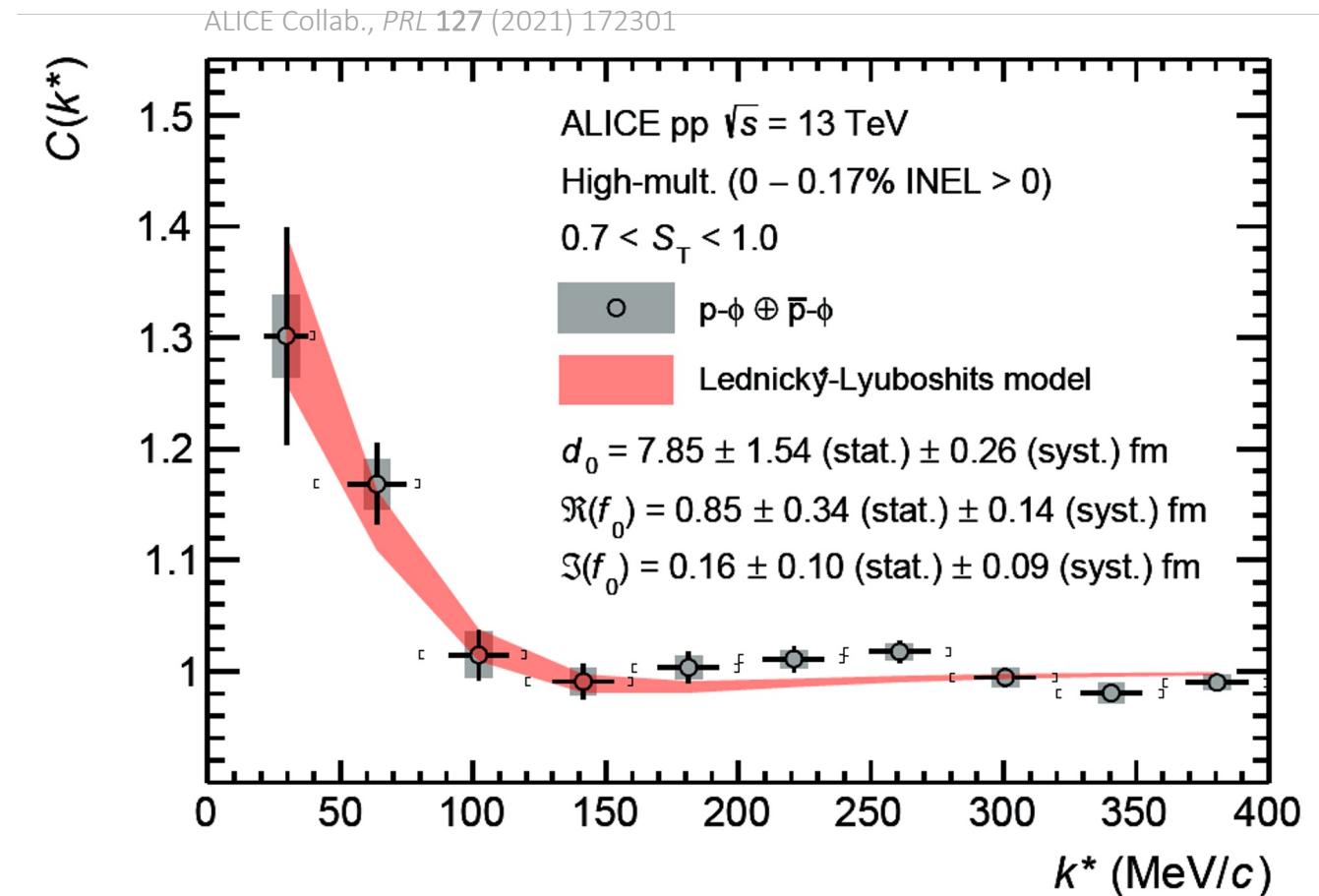
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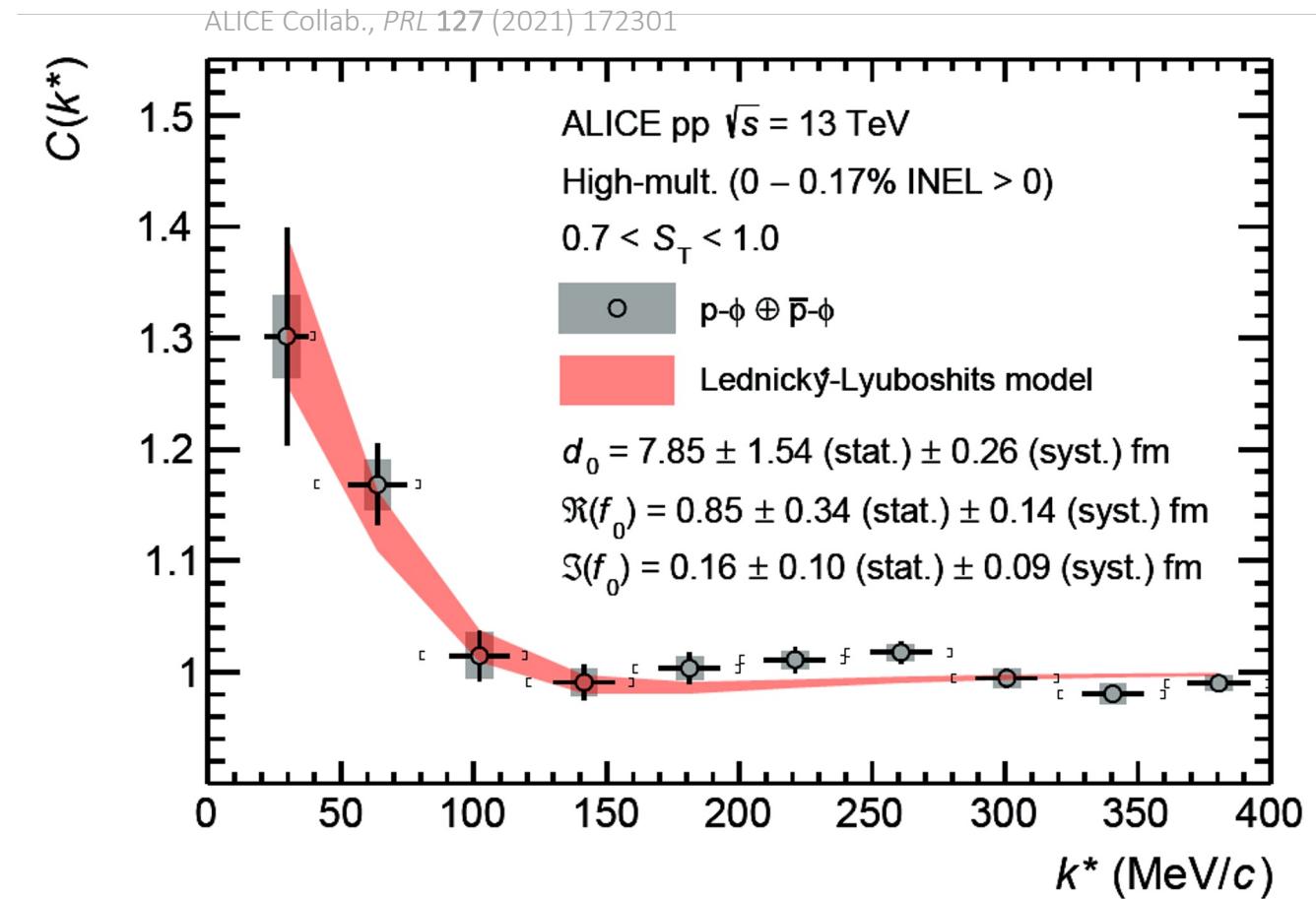
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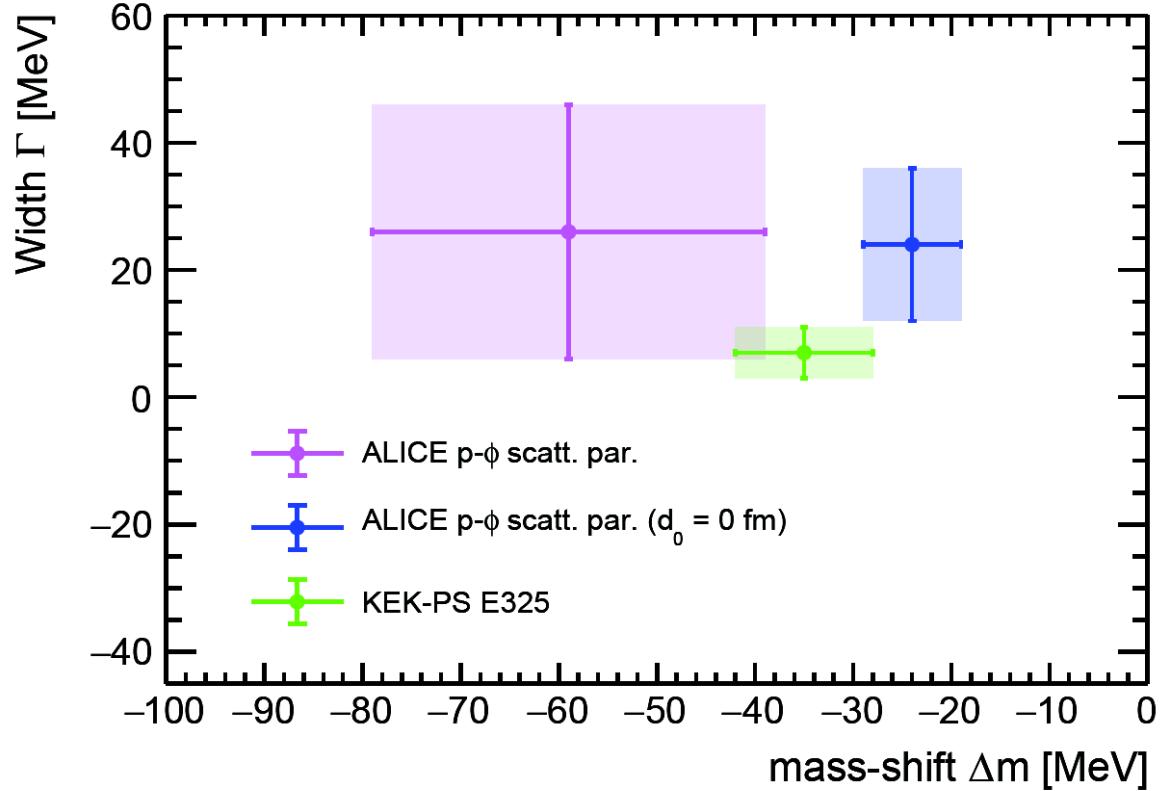
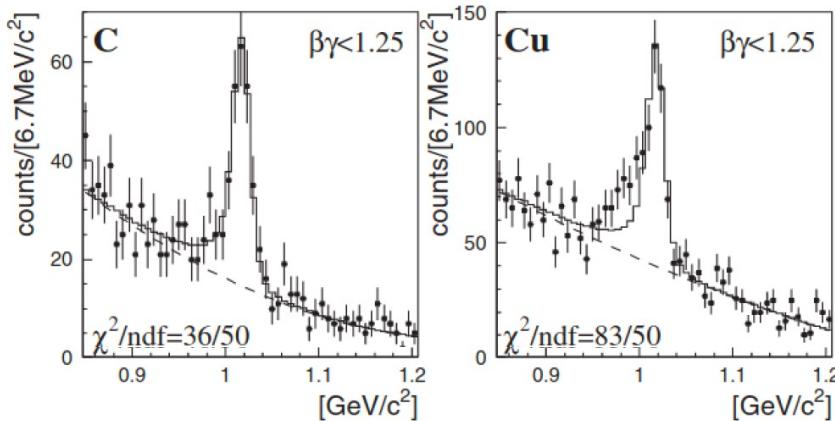
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# In medium properties

- Scattering length can be related to first order optical potential  $U(r) \approx \frac{1}{2m} 4\pi\rho \frac{b}{1+b/d_0} \approx \frac{1}{2m} 4\pi\rho b$  with  $b = f_0 \left(1 + \frac{m_\phi}{m_{proton}}\right)$
- V.A. Baskov et al. arXiv:nucl-ex/0306011v1 (2003)
- Real part related to mass-shift  $V(r) \approx \Delta m$
  - Imaginary part related to width  $W(r) \approx -\Gamma/2$
  - Similar to results of E325 Collab. of  $\Delta m = -(35 \pm 7)$  MeV and  $\Gamma = -(7 \pm 4)$  MeV

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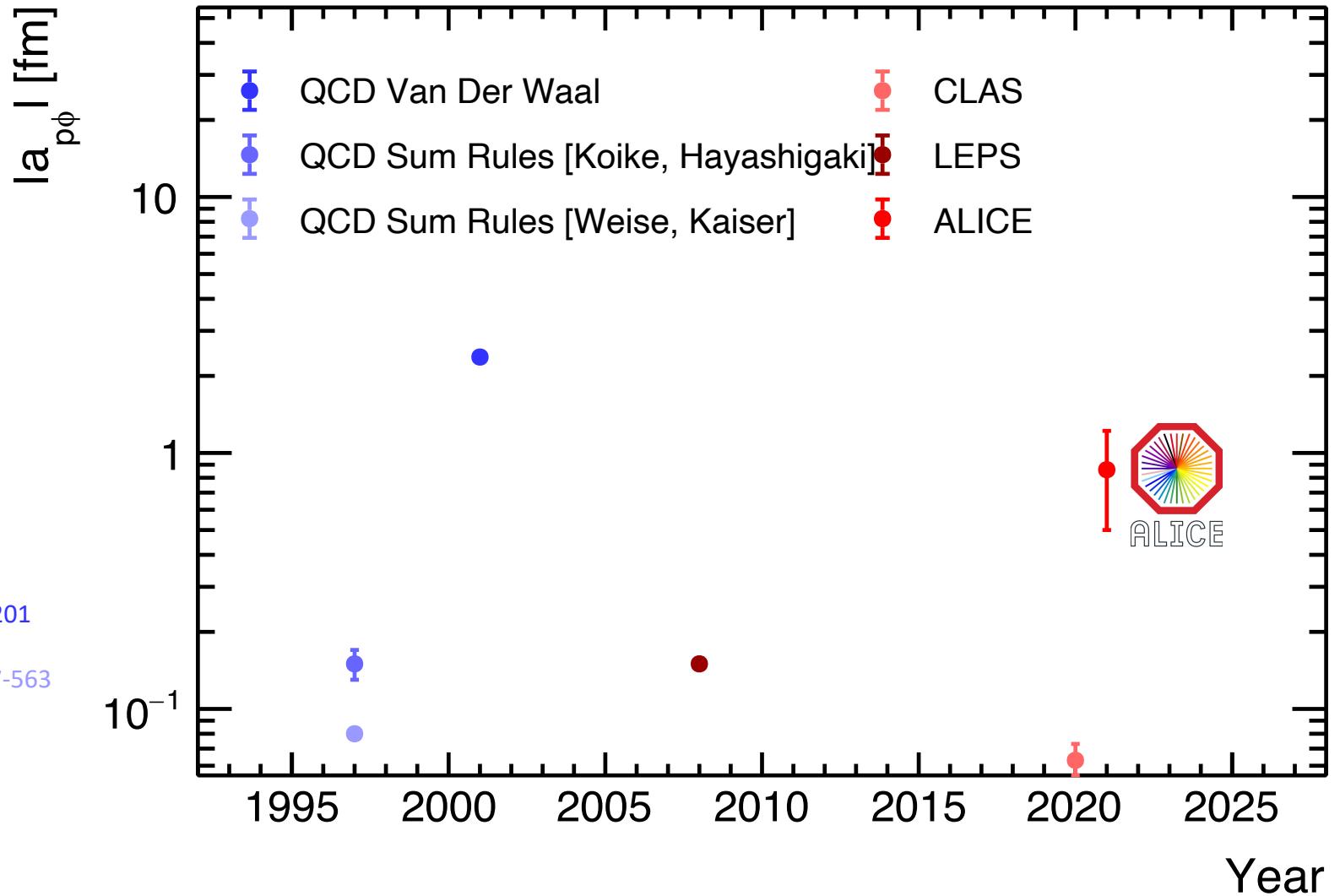


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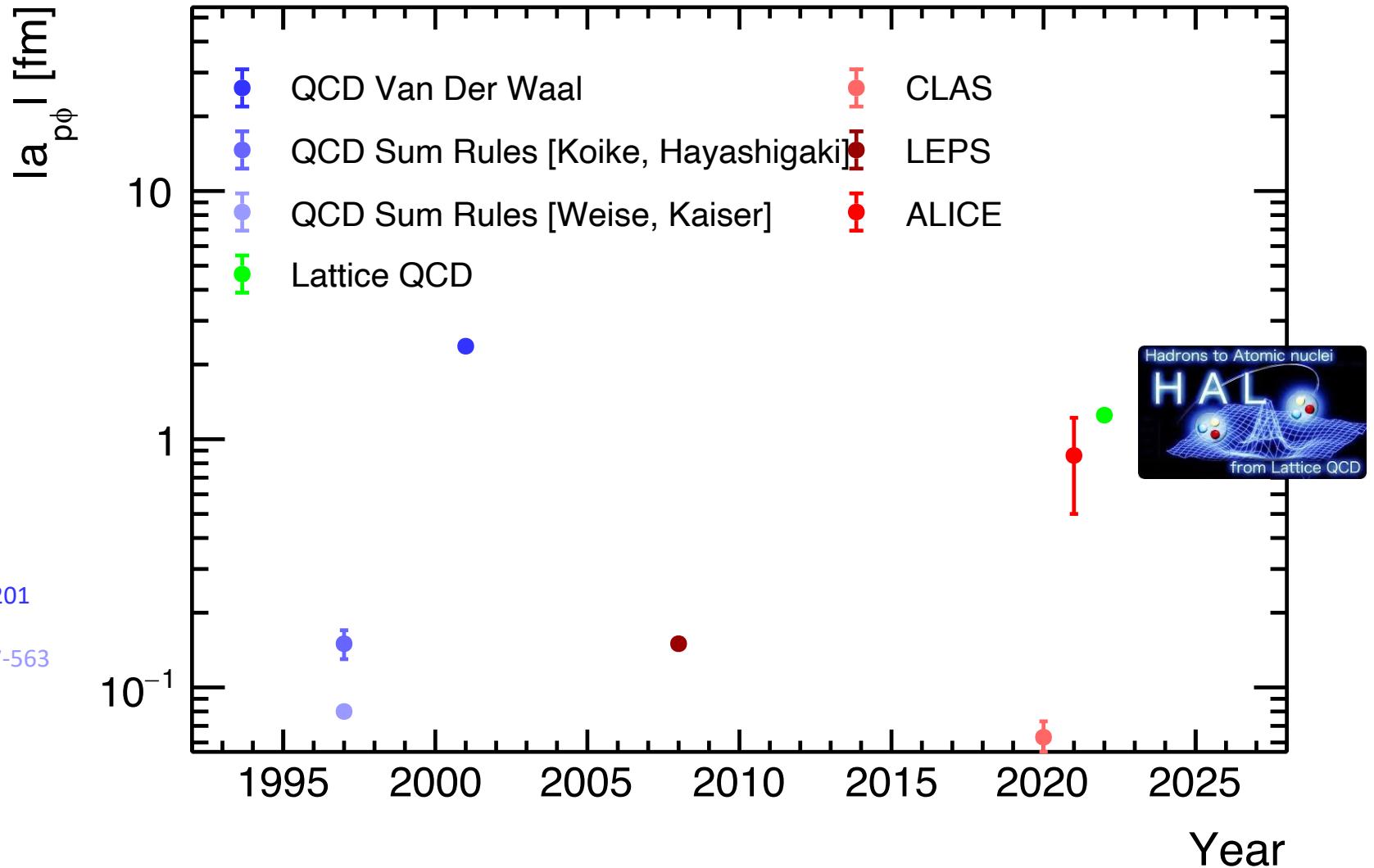


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Work in collaboration with Raffaele Del Grande, Takumi Doi, Laura Fabbietti, Tetsuo Hatsuda, Yuki Kamiya and Yan Lyu

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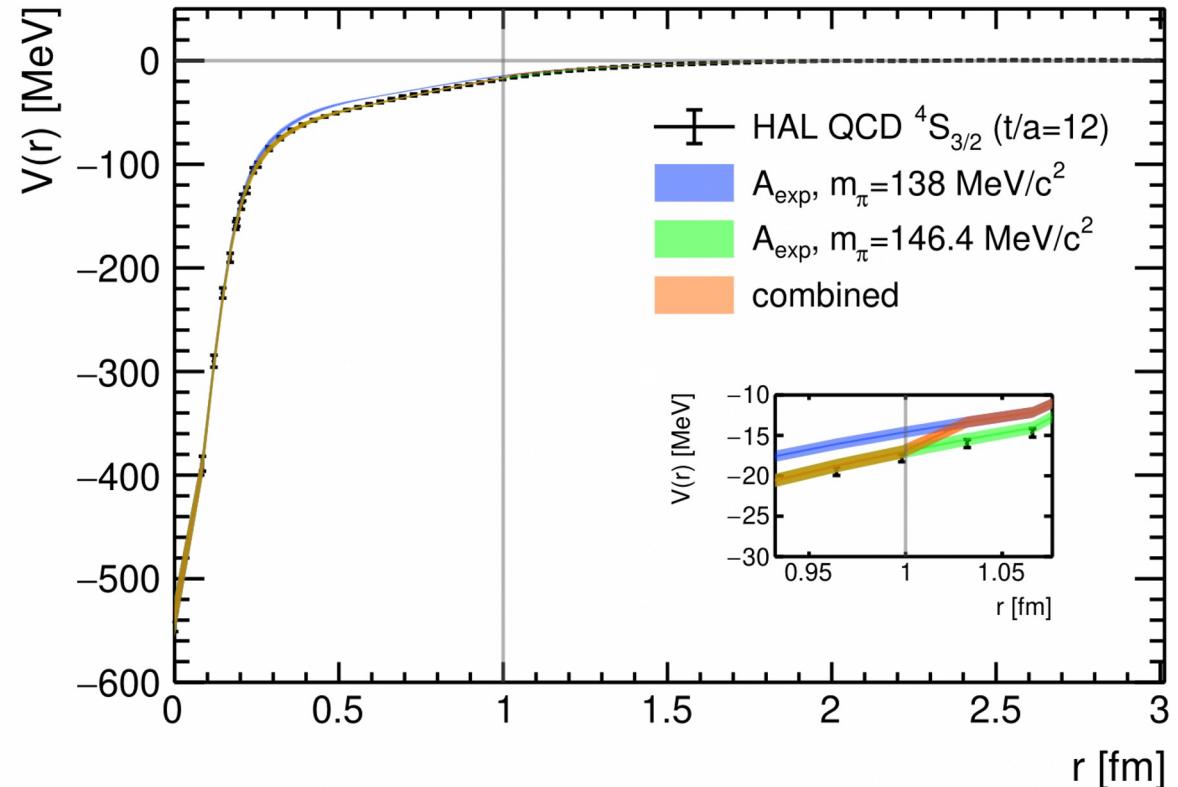
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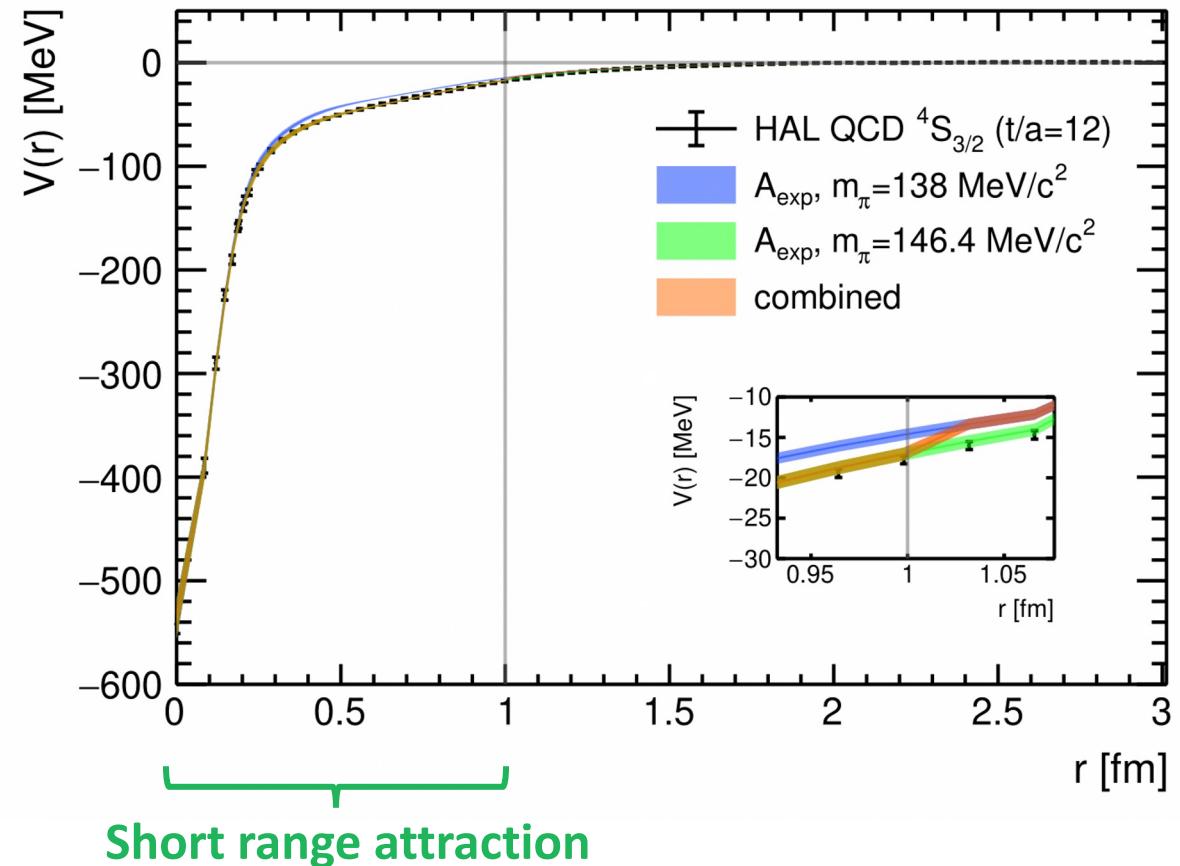
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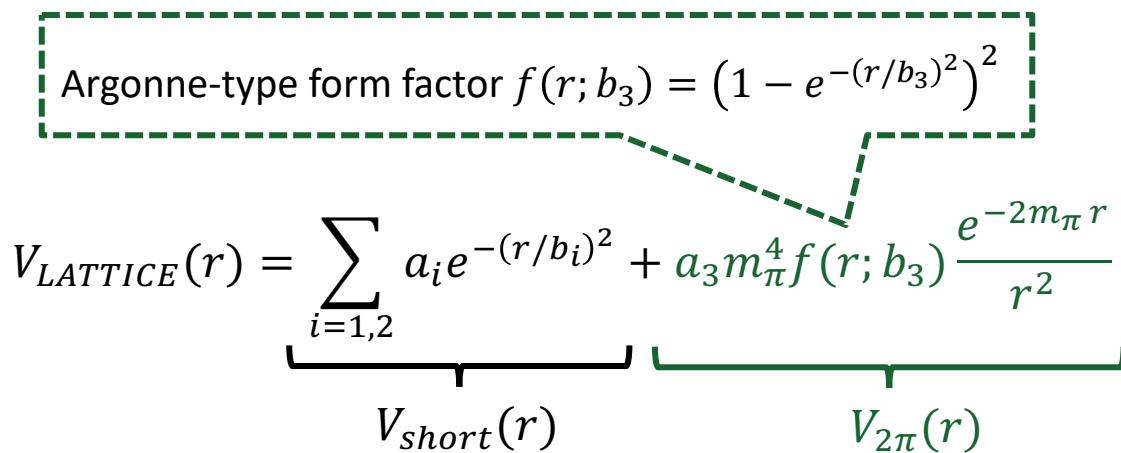
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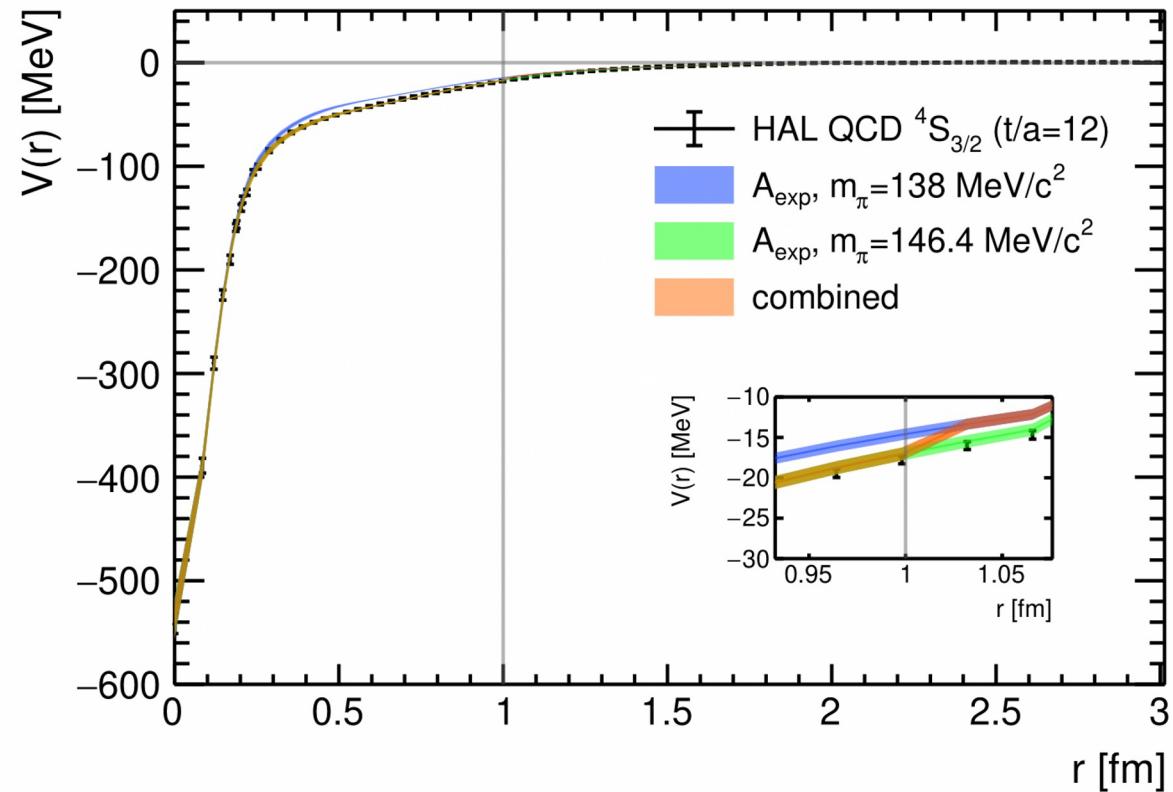
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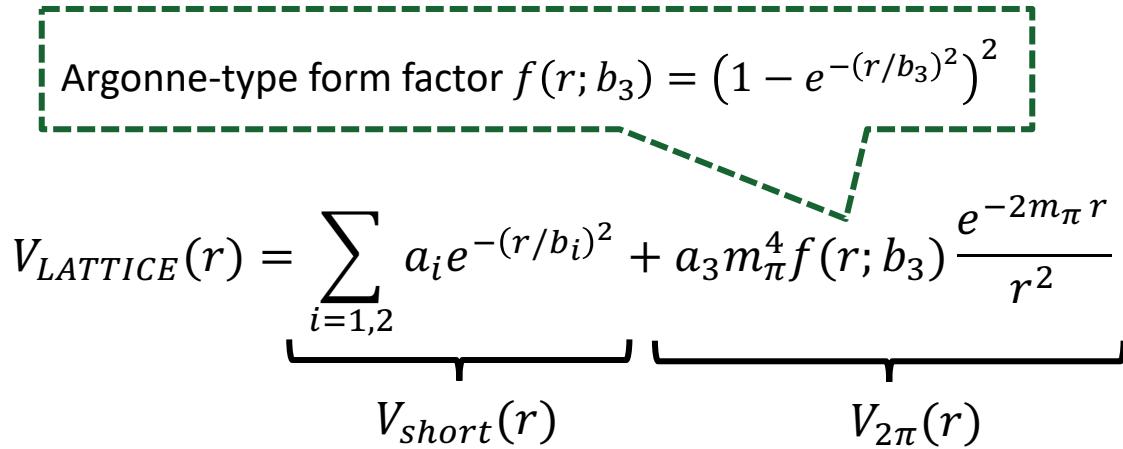
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dominant at long ranges > 1fm

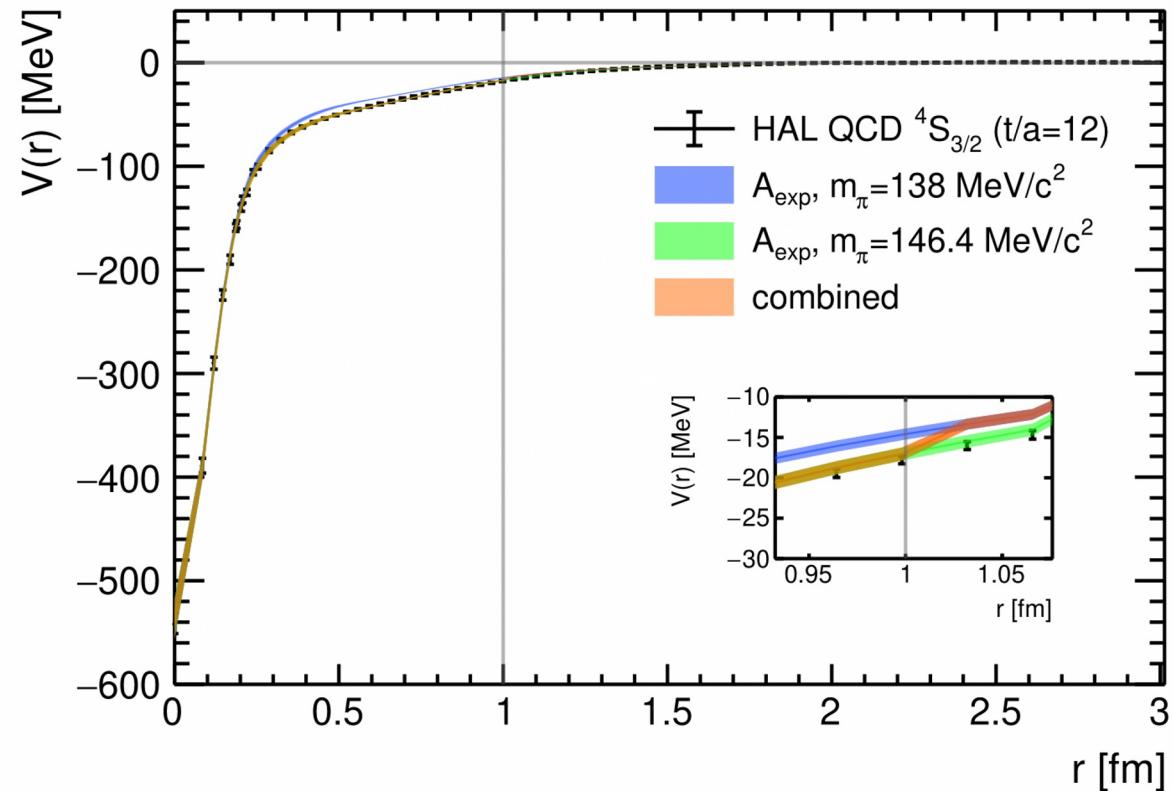
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## $^2S_{1/2}$ channel

- Shows signs of open channels
- S-wave fall-apart decay into  $\Lambda K$  ( $^2S_{1/2}$ ) and  $\Sigma K$  ( $^2S_{1/2}$ )
- No potential available from lattice QCD yet, due to possible effects from open channels
- Modelled using complex potential provided by Dr. Yuki Kamiya

$$V_{\frac{1}{2}}(r) = V_{LATTICE, MOD}(r) + i \cdot \sqrt{f(r; b_3)} \cdot \frac{\alpha_{Im}}{r} e^{-m_K \cdot r}$$

### Imaginary Part of Pot

Kaon exchange considered to give most significant contribution to coupling of decay channels

### Real Part of Pot

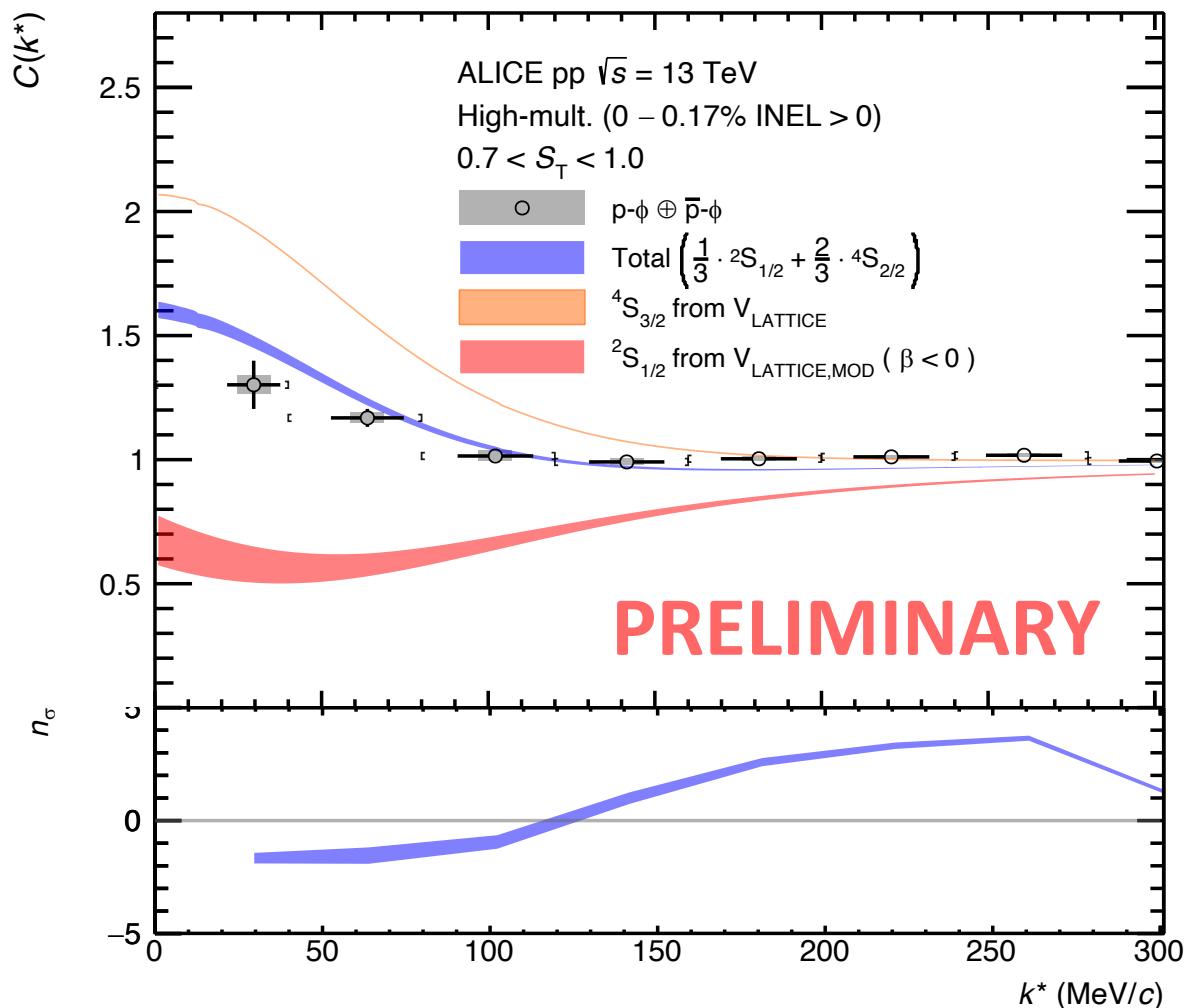
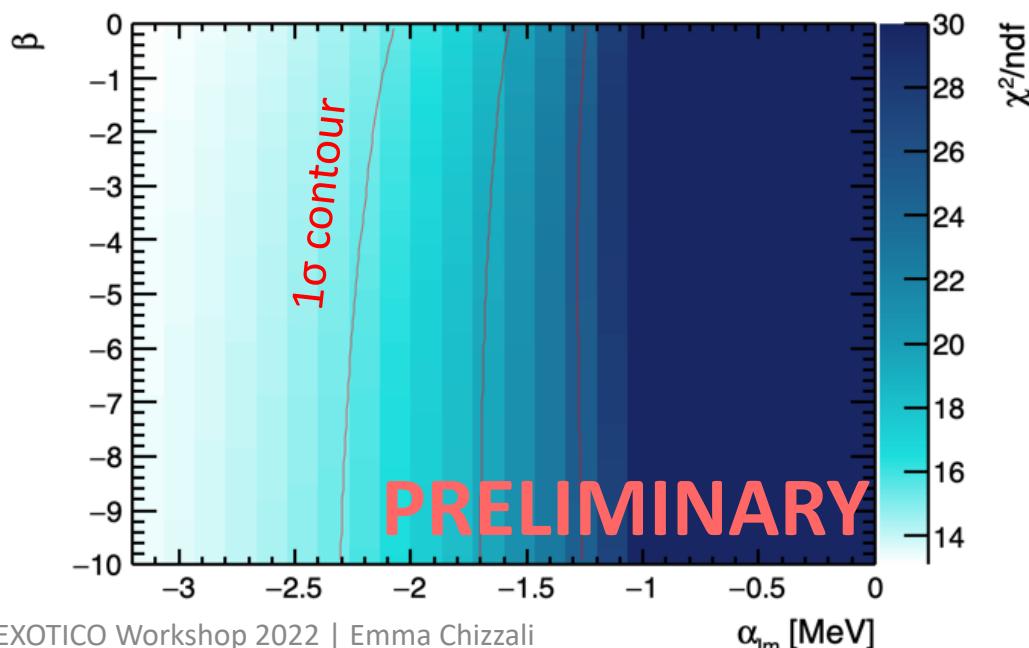
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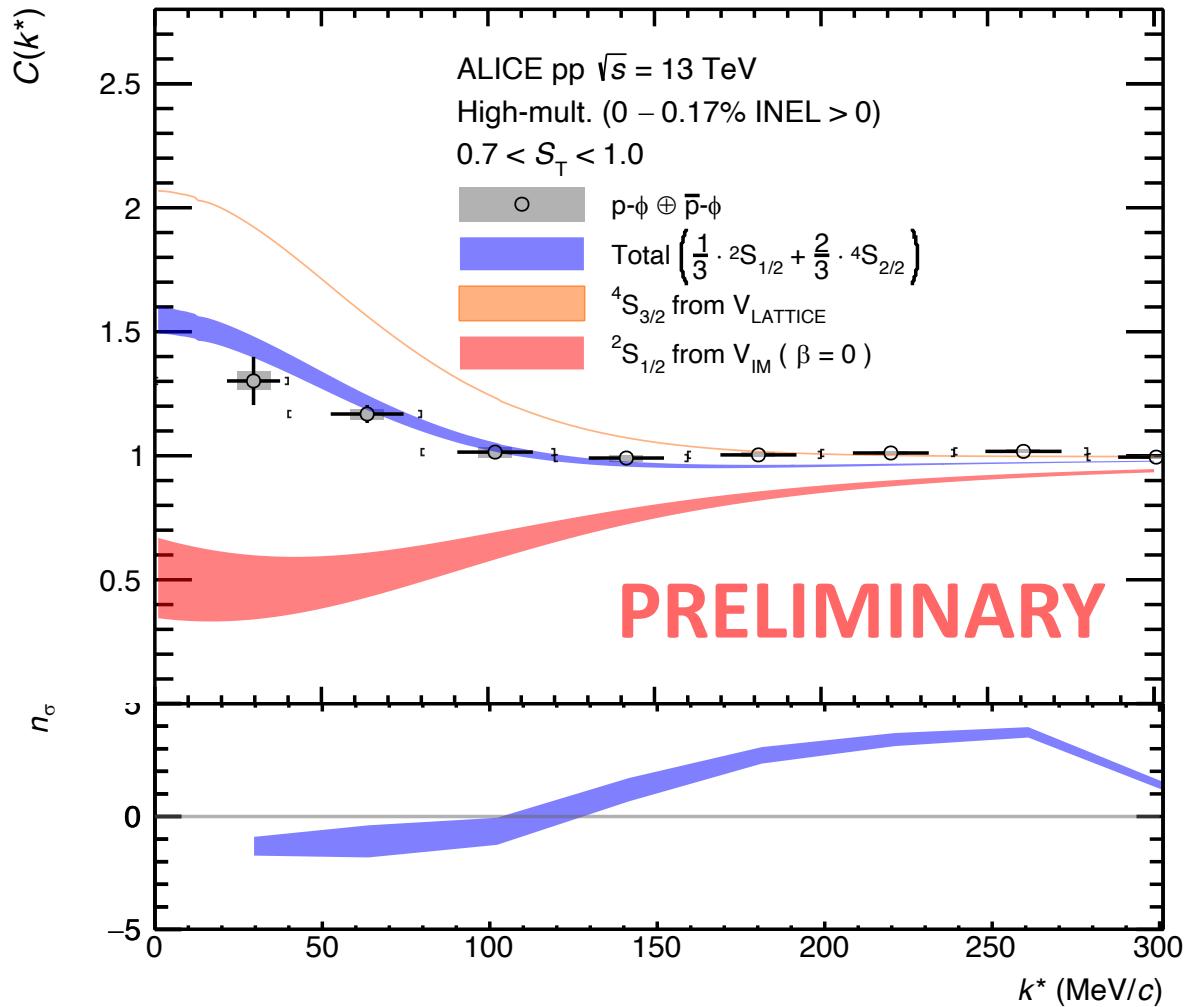
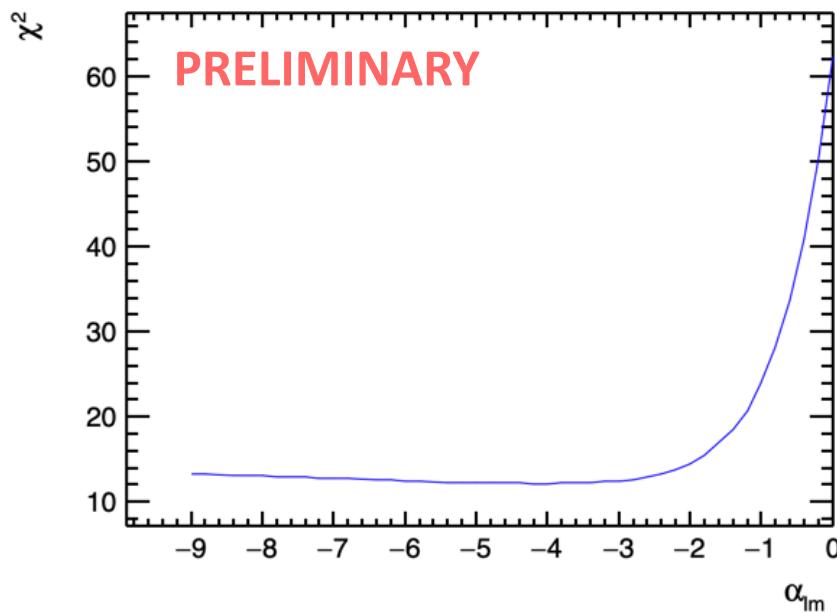
- Repulsive real part of potential ( $\beta < 0$ )
- Minimum for  $\alpha_{Im}=-3.2$  MeV and  $\beta=0$  ( $n_\sigma=2.8$ ,  $\chi^2=13.1$ )
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- **Imaginary only** potential
- Minimum for  $\alpha_{Im}=-4.2$  MeV ( $n_\sigma=2.4$ ,  $\chi^2=12.1$ )
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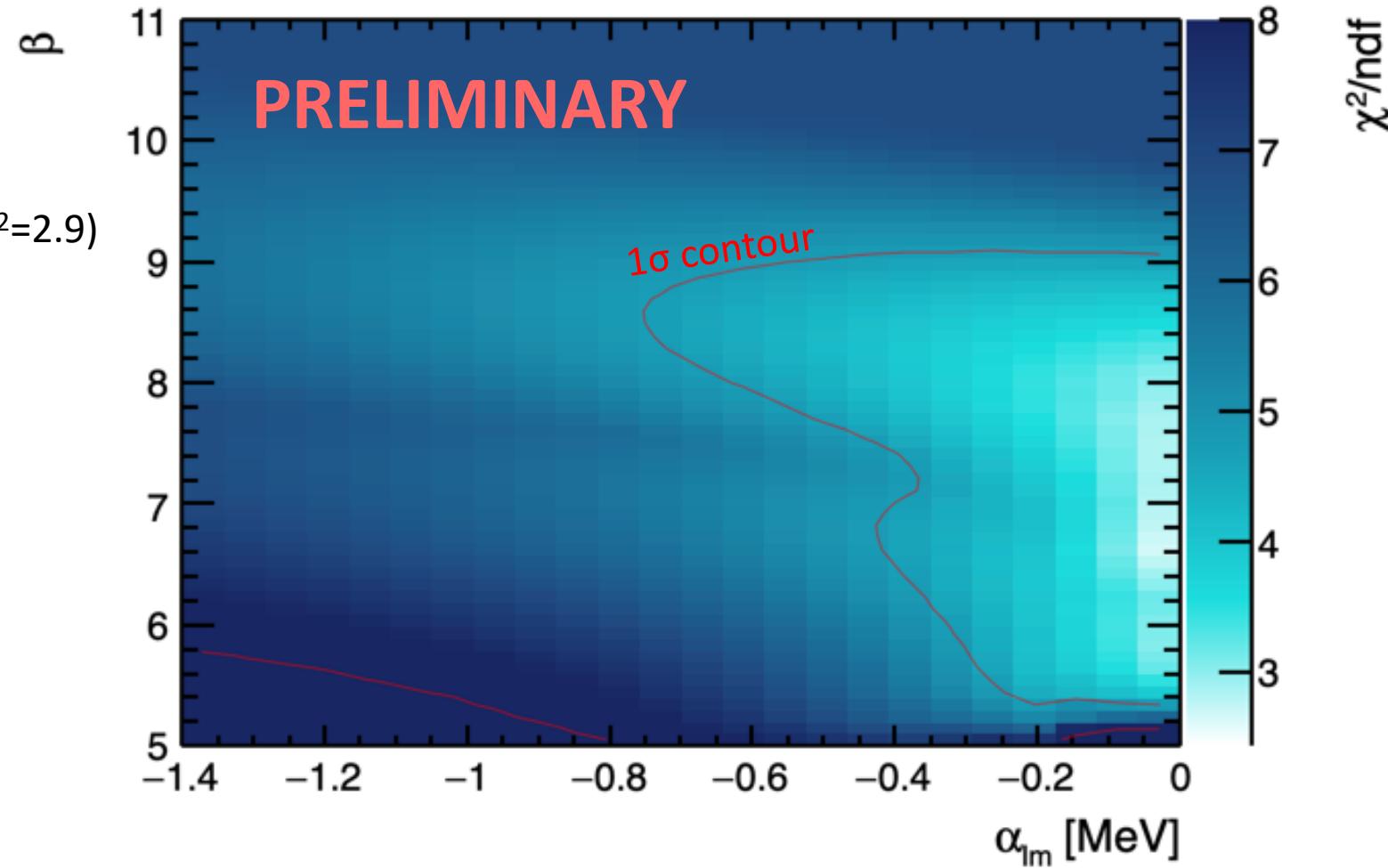


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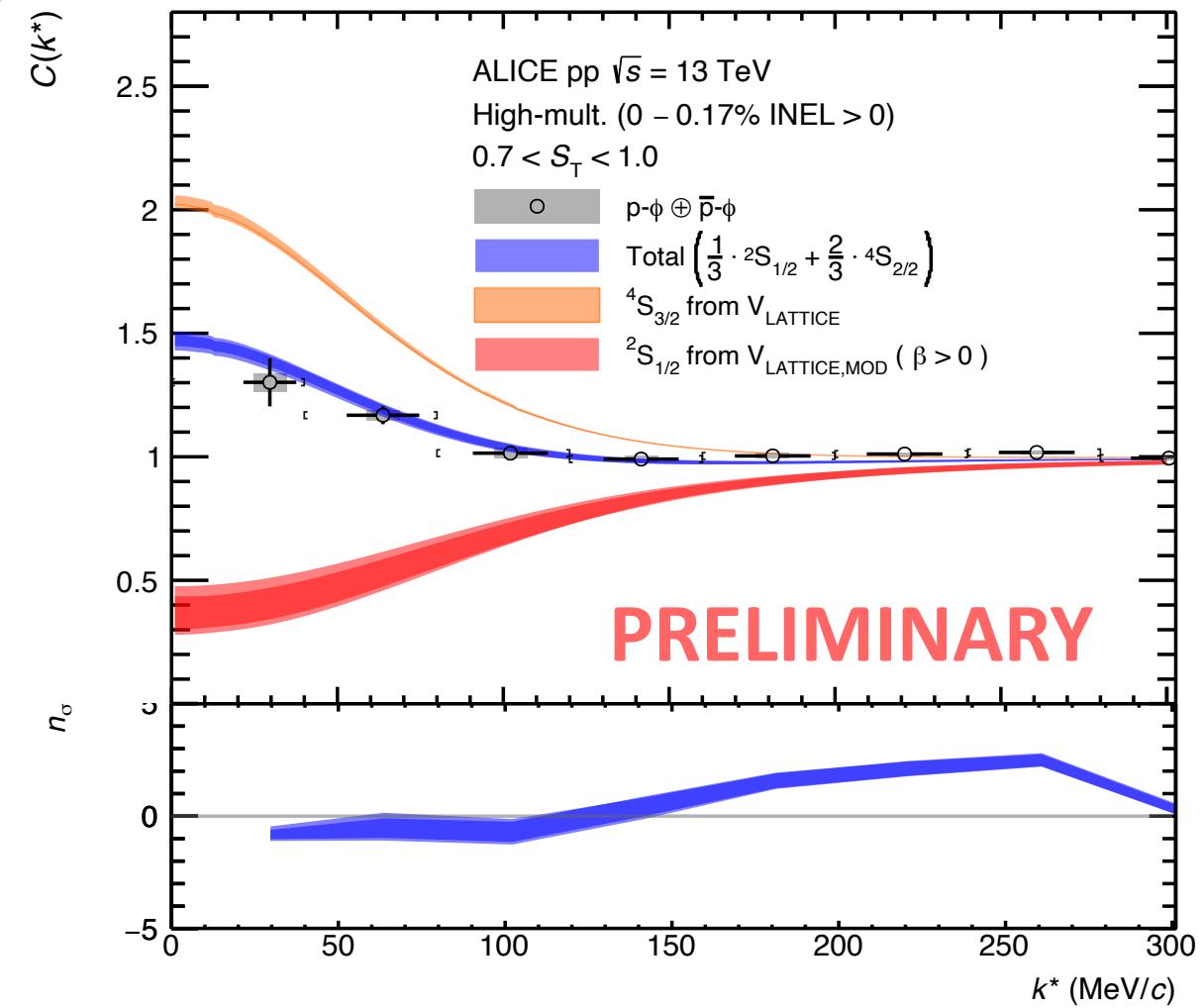
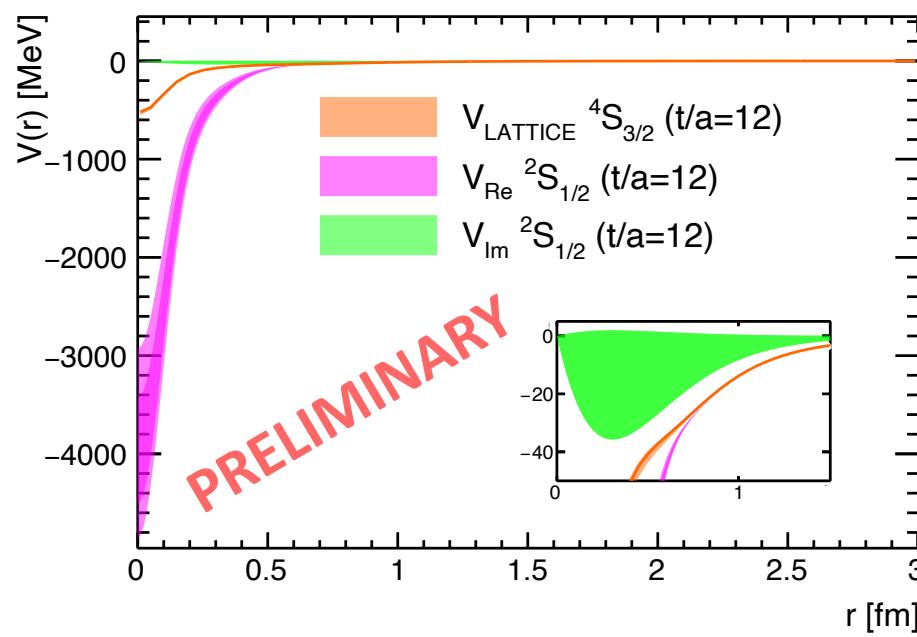
- Attractive real part of potential ( $\beta > 0$ )
- Minimum for  $\alpha_{Im}=0$  MeV and  $\beta=6.8$  ( $n_\sigma=0.8$ ,  $\chi^2=2.9$ )
- Compatible with small imaginary part



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# Scattering parameters

- Scattering parameters extracted from phase-shift using effective range expansion

$$k^* \cot \delta_0(k^*) \xrightarrow{k^* \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{f_0} + \frac{1}{2} d_0 k^{*2} + \mathcal{O}(k^{*4})$$

$$\rightarrow \Re(f_0) = -1.21^{+0.4}_{-0.9}(\text{stat.})^{+0.66}_{-2.92}(\text{syst.}) \text{ and } \Im(f_0) = 0.08^{+0.27}_{-0.08}(\text{stat.})^{+2.46}_{-0.17}(\text{syst.})$$

- Strongly attractive potential with repulsive scattering lenght

→ possible N $\phi$  bound state in S=1/2 with  $E_B \sim 2.2\text{-}200$  MeV

$$E_B = \frac{1}{\mu d_0^2} \left( 1 - \sqrt{1 + 2 \frac{d_0}{f_0}} \right) \sim \frac{1}{2\mu f_0^2}$$

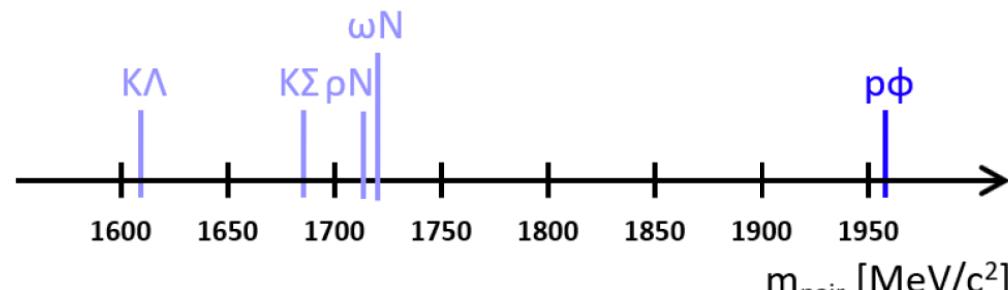
- $E_B < 10$  MeV predicted by theory

H. Gao, T.-S. H. Lee, and V. Marinov, Phys. Rev. C 63, 022201(R)

F. Huang, Z.Y. Zhang, and Y.W. Yu, Phys. Rev. C 71, 064001 (2006)

S. Liska, H. Gao, W. Chen, X. Qian, Phys. Rev. C 75, 058201 (2007)

- Within uncertainties, sizable  $\Im(f_0) \rightarrow N\phi$  interaction expected to proceed via coupled channels



# Summary and outlook

- First measurement of the p– $\phi$  correlation function

ALICE Collab., *PRL* **127** (2021) 172301

- Attractive p– $\phi$  interaction dominated by elastic contributions in vacuum (spin-averaged scattering parameters)

- Study p– $\phi$  interaction in S=1/2 using the published lattice potential for S=3/2

Yan Lyu *et al* arXiv:2205.10544 [hep-lat]

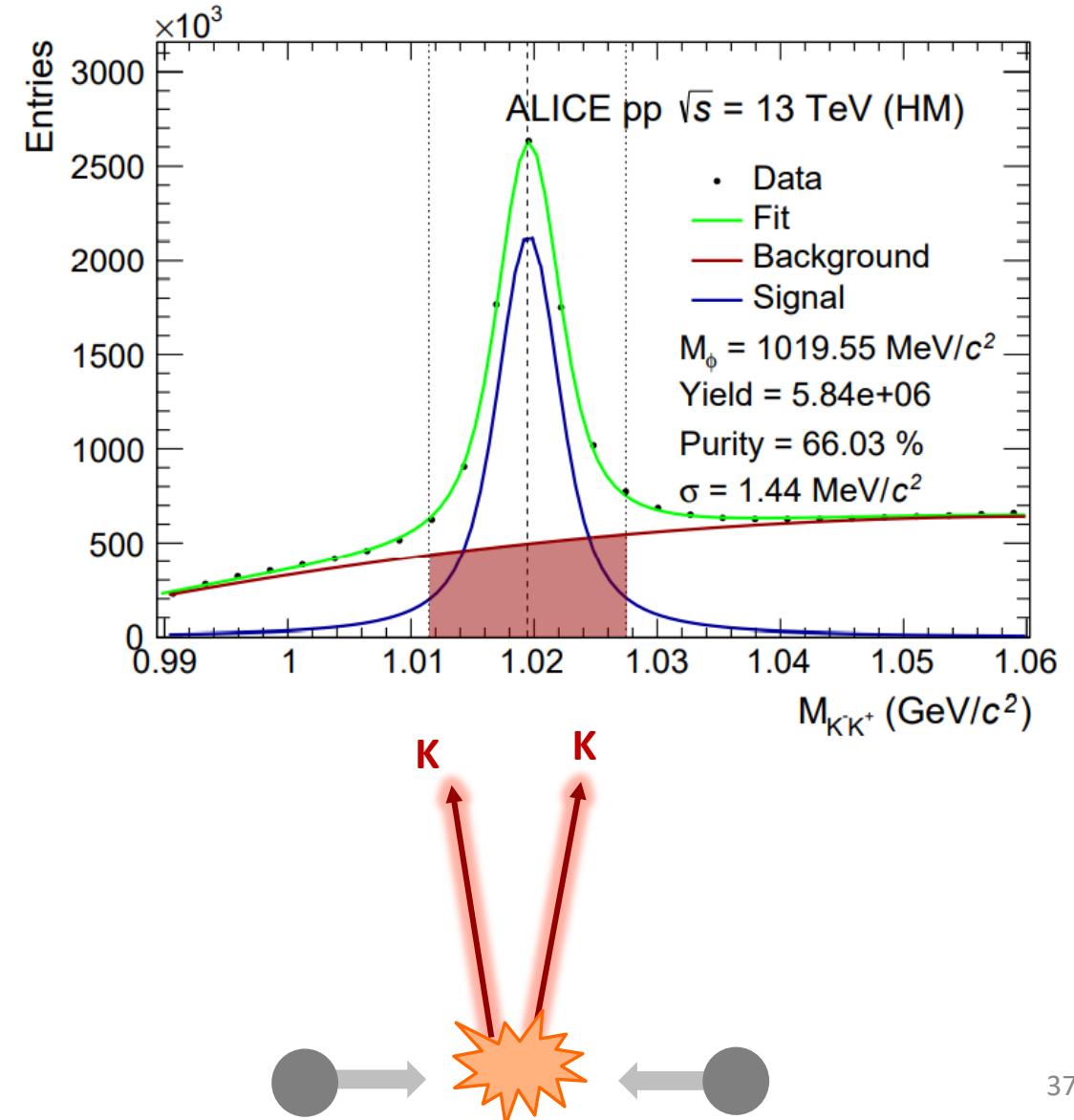
- Results for now suggest

- Strongly attractive potential with bound state in S=1/2
- Room for absorption term due to sizable imaginary contribution

# Additional material

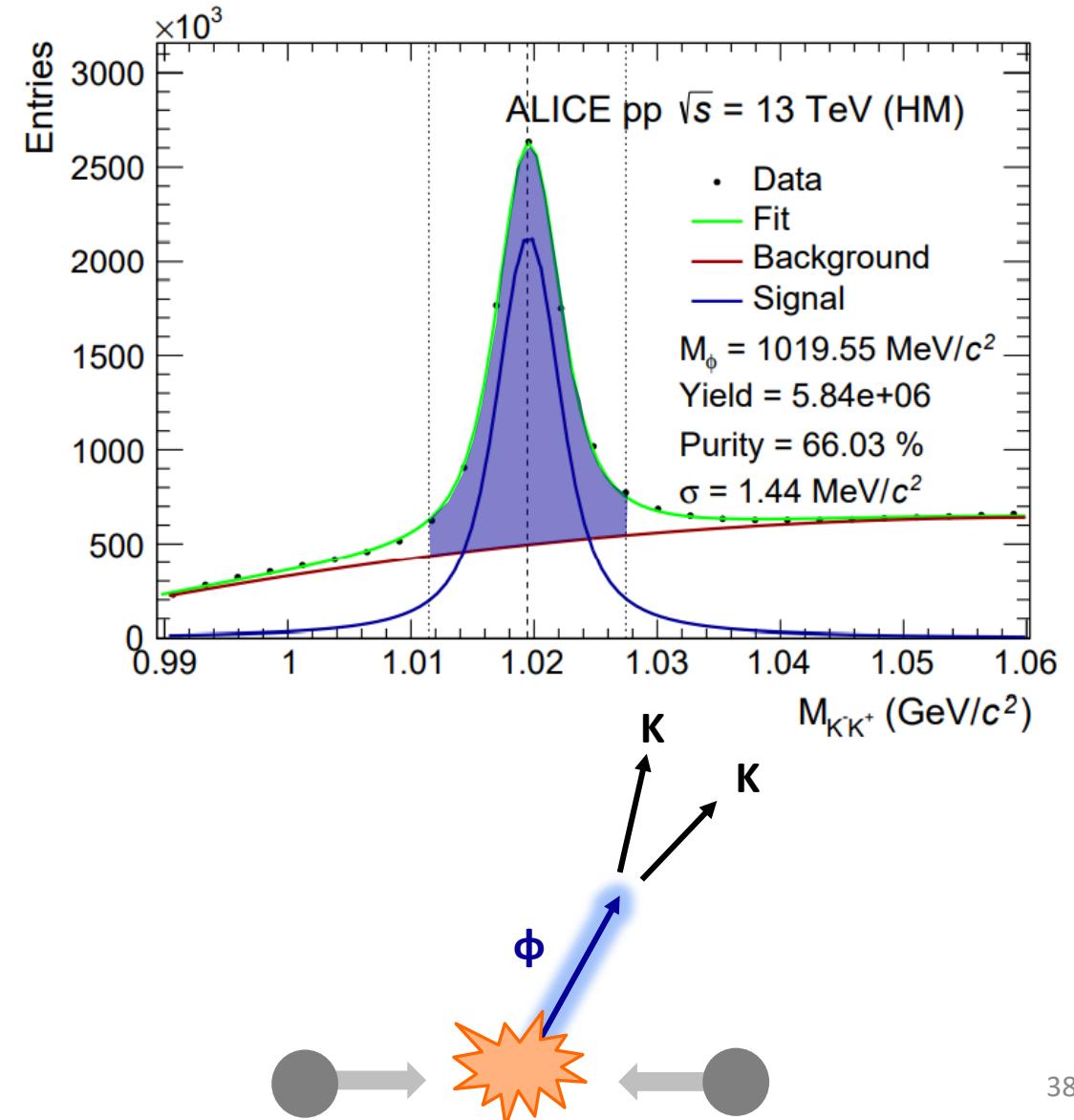
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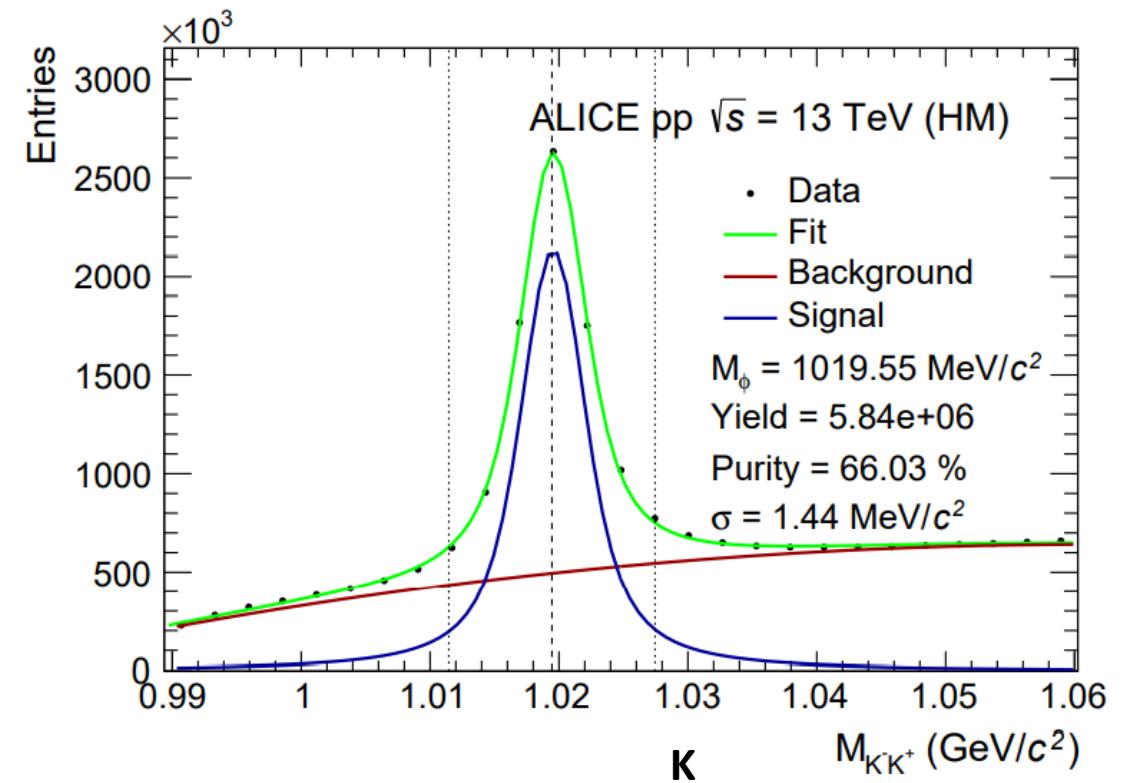
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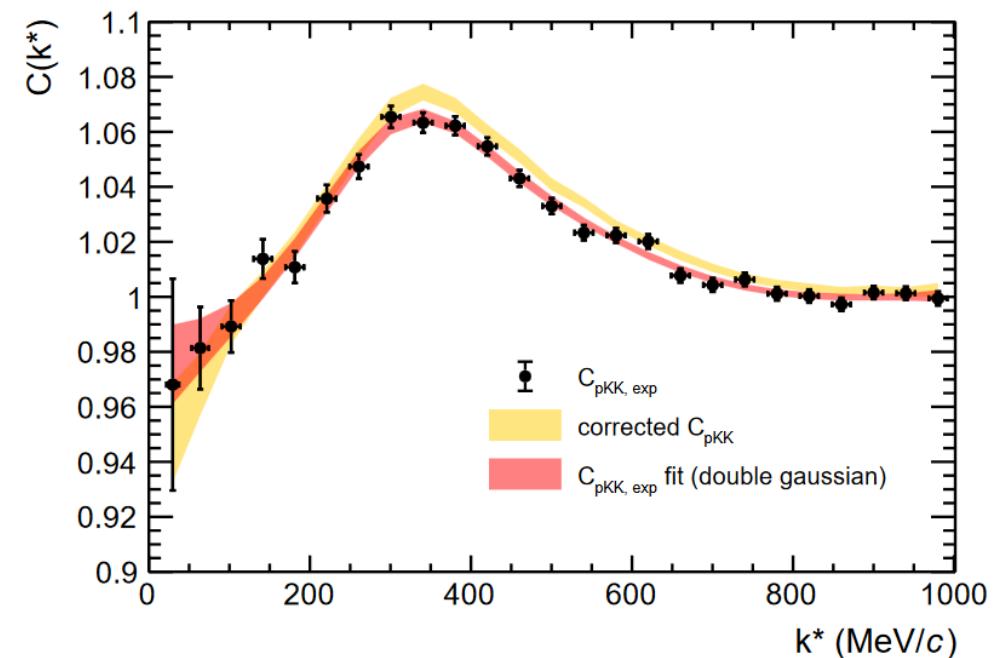
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# Correction for $\phi$ contamination

- Lack of experimental data of pure combinatorial BG  $C_{p-KK}(k^*)$
- Measured signal  $C_{p-KK,exp}(k^*)$  does not describe pure combinatorial background due to phi contamination in sidebands
  - Consists of 7% genuine p-phi ( $\alpha = 0.07$ ) and 93% actual combinatorial p-KK background
  - Additionally MJ, BL etc.
- $$C_{p-KK,exp}(k^*) = (1 - \alpha) \cdot C_{p-KK}(k^*) + \mathcal{N} \cdot (MJ_{p-\phi}(k^*) + BL) \cdot \alpha \cdot C_{gen}(k^*)$$
  - Rearrange in terms of  $C_{p-KK}(k^*)$  and enter into equation of CF model



# Model and correction

Original:

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda_{gen} &= 46.3\% \\ \lambda_{p-KK} &= 43.3\% \\ \lambda_{flat} &= 10.4\%\end{aligned}$$

$$C_{tot}(k^*) = \mathcal{N} \cdot (MJ_{p-\phi}(k^*) + BL) \cdot (\lambda_{gen} \cdot C_{gen}(k^*) + \lambda_{flat} \cdot C_{flat}(k^*)) + \lambda_{p-KK} \cdot C_{p-KK}(k^*)$$

**Modification** due to lack of pure experimental data of combinatorial BG  $C_{p-KK}(k^*)$ :

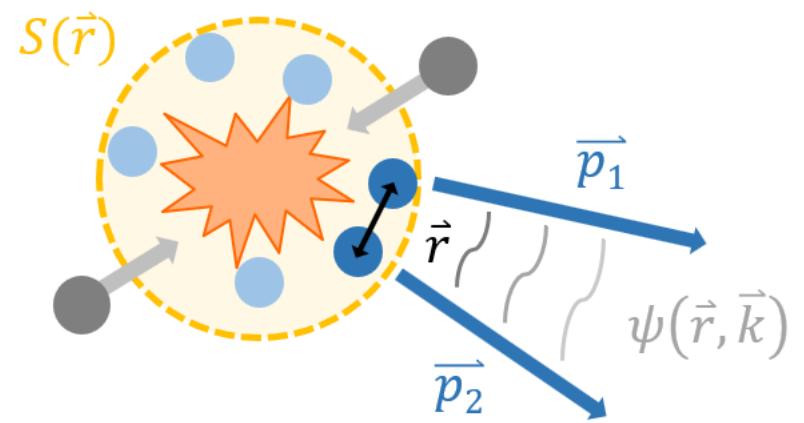
$$C_{tot}(k^*) = \mathcal{N} \cdot (MJ_{p-\phi}(k^*) + BL) \cdot \left[ \left( \lambda_{gen} - \frac{\lambda_{p-KK} \cdot \alpha}{(1 - \alpha)} \right) \cdot C_{gen}(k^*) + \lambda_{flat} \cdot C_{flat}(k^*) \right] + \frac{\lambda_{p-KK}}{(1 - \alpha)} \cdot C_{p-KK,exp}(k^*)$$

Data parametrized by a  
polynomial of fifth order

Data parametrized by a  
double Gaussian

# The Source

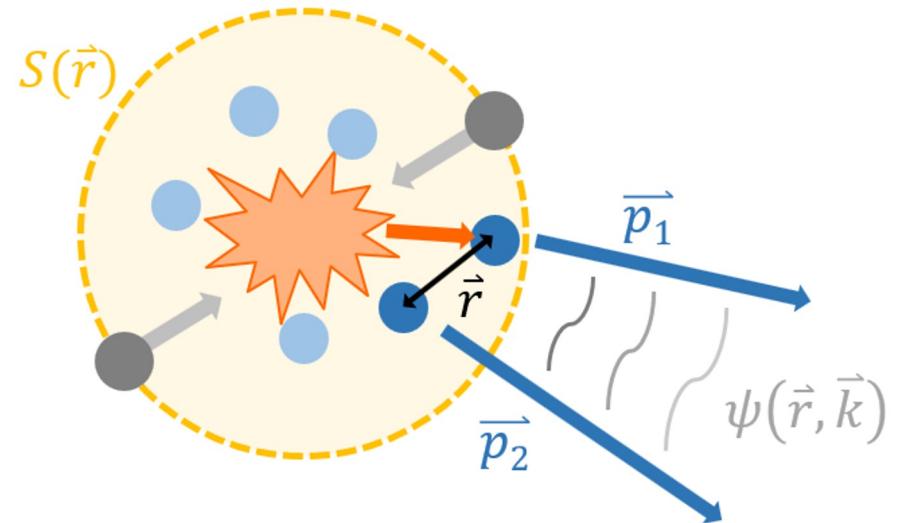
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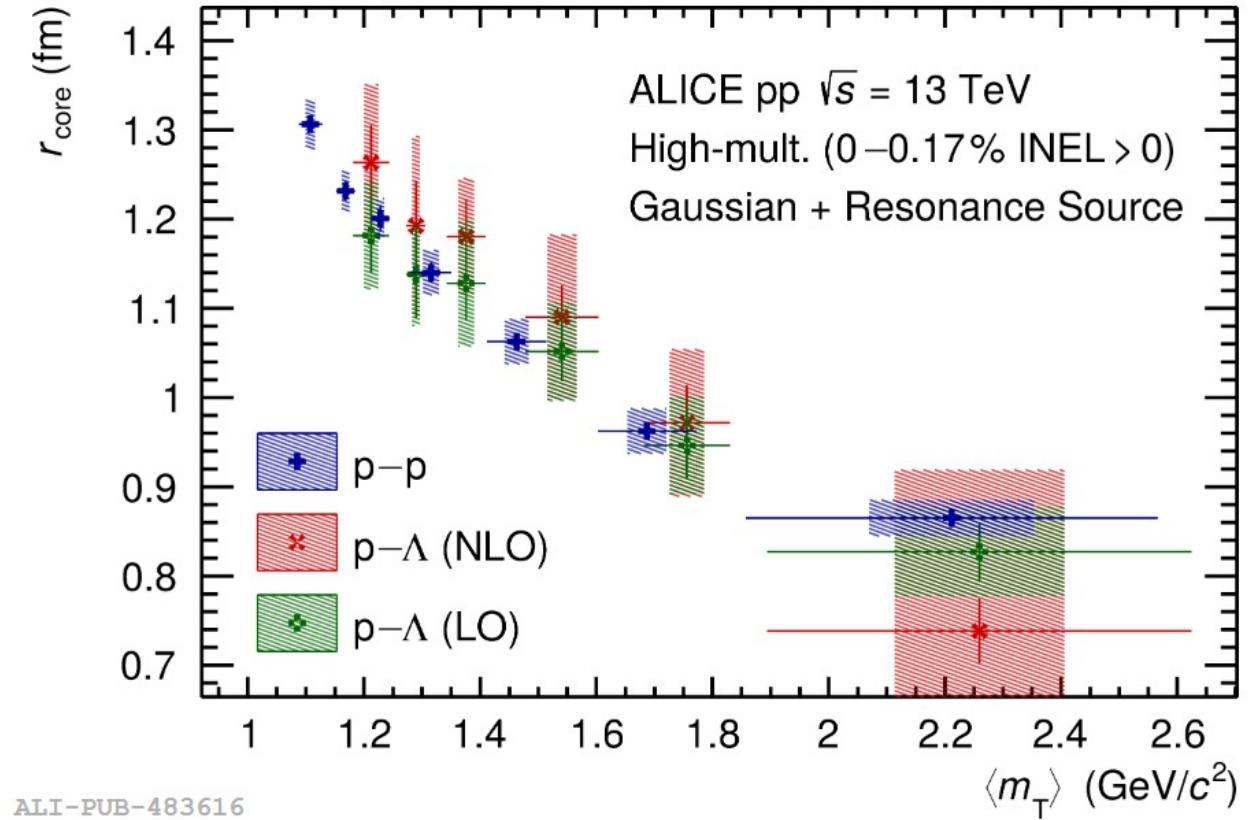
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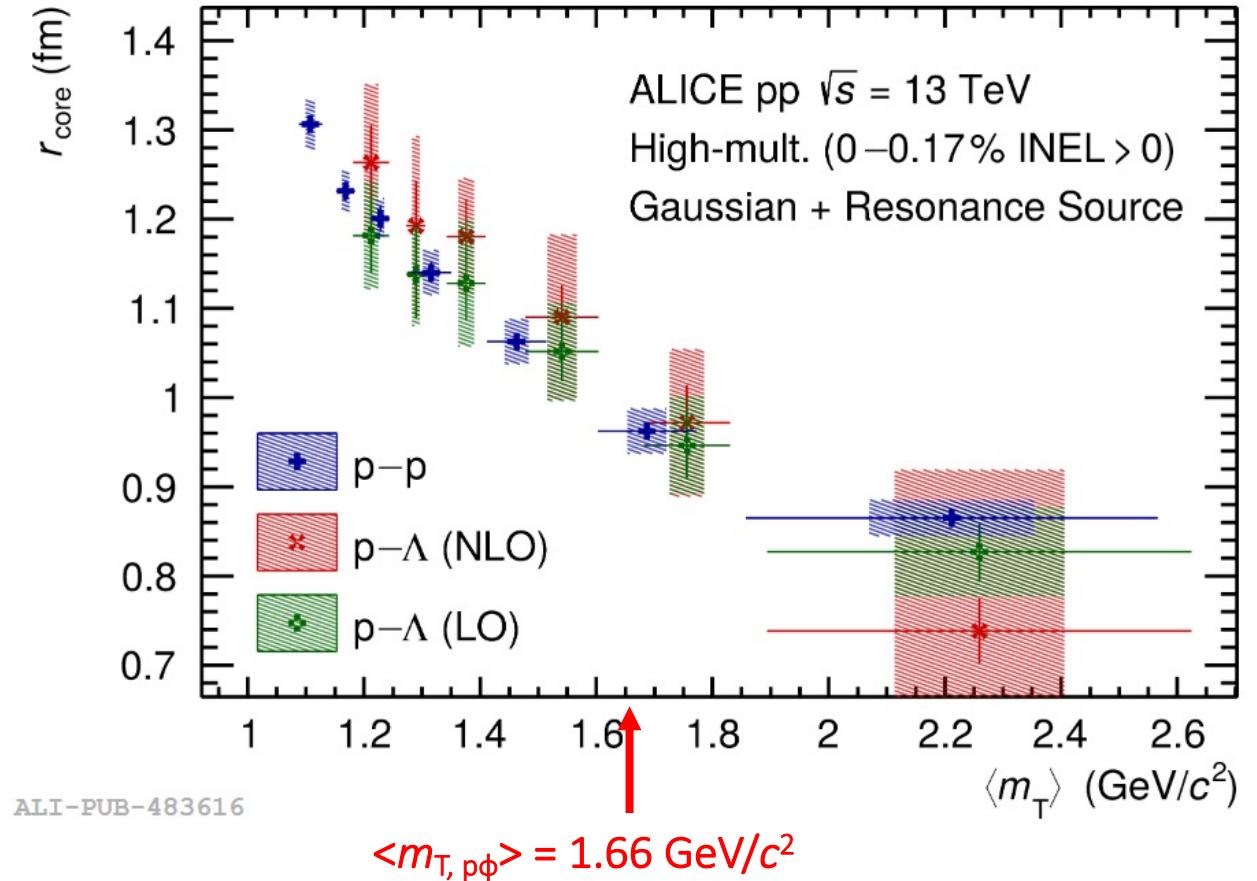
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- Gaussian core source scales with  $\langle m_T \rangle$ 
    - $r_{\text{core}} = 0.98 \pm 0.04 \text{ fm}$
  - Effects from short-lived resonances
    - no relevant contribution from strongly decaying resonances feeding to the  $\phi$
    - Sizable amount of protons from decay of e.g. Delta resonances (only  $\sim 33\%$  primordial protons)
    - effective Gaussian size:  $r_{\text{eff}} = 1.08 \pm 0.05 \text{ fm}$



# Lednicky-Lyuboshits Model

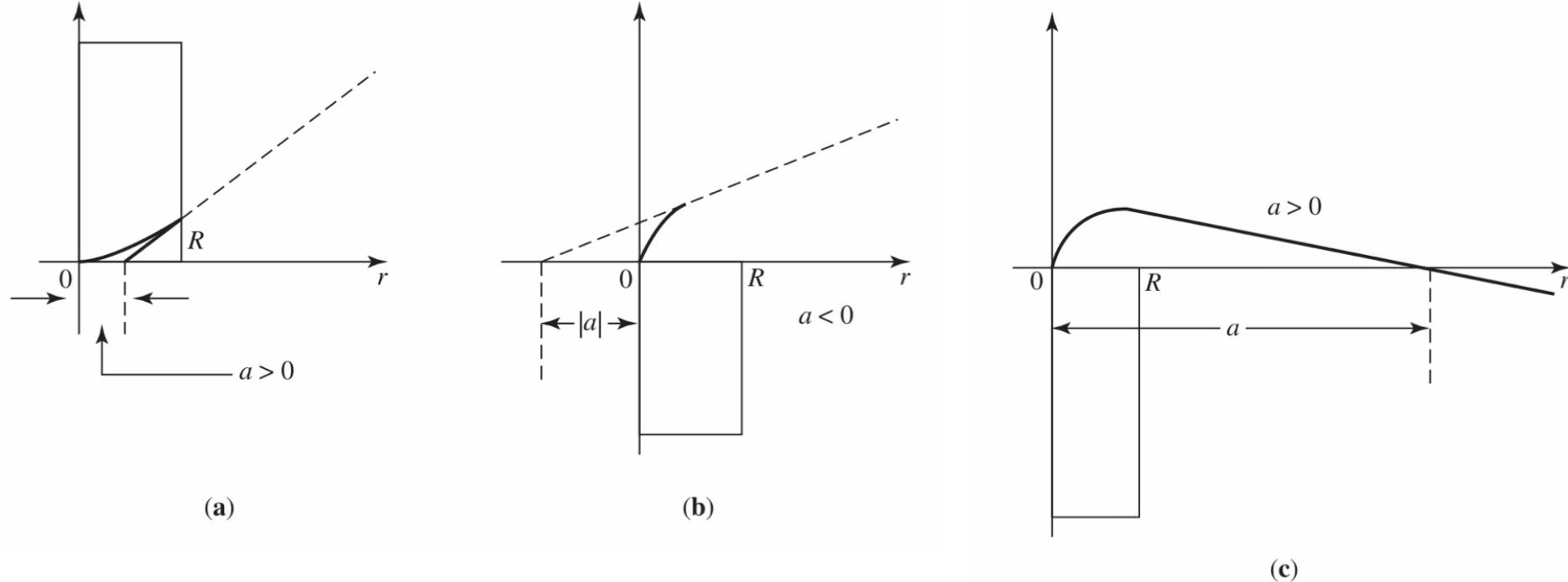
$$C(k^*) = \sum_S \rho_S \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left| \frac{f(k^*)}{r_{eff}} \right|^2 \left( 1 - \frac{d_0}{2\sqrt{\pi}r_{eff}} \right) + \frac{2\Re f(k^*)}{\sqrt{\pi}r_{eff}} F_1(2k^*r_{eff}) - \frac{\Im f(k^*)}{r_{eff}} F_2(2k^*r_{eff}) \right]$$

Analytical approach to model CF for strong final state interaction within effective range expansion

R. Lednicky and V.L. Lyuboshits, Sov. J. Nucl. Phys. 53 (1982) 770

- Isotropic source of Gaussian profile  $S(r^*)$
- Scattering amplitude:  $f(k^*) = \left( \frac{1}{f_0} + \frac{1}{2} d_0 k^{*2} - ik^* \right)^{-1}$ 
  - Effective range  $d_0$  and scattering length  $f_0$
- Spin averaged scattering parameters

# Scattering length



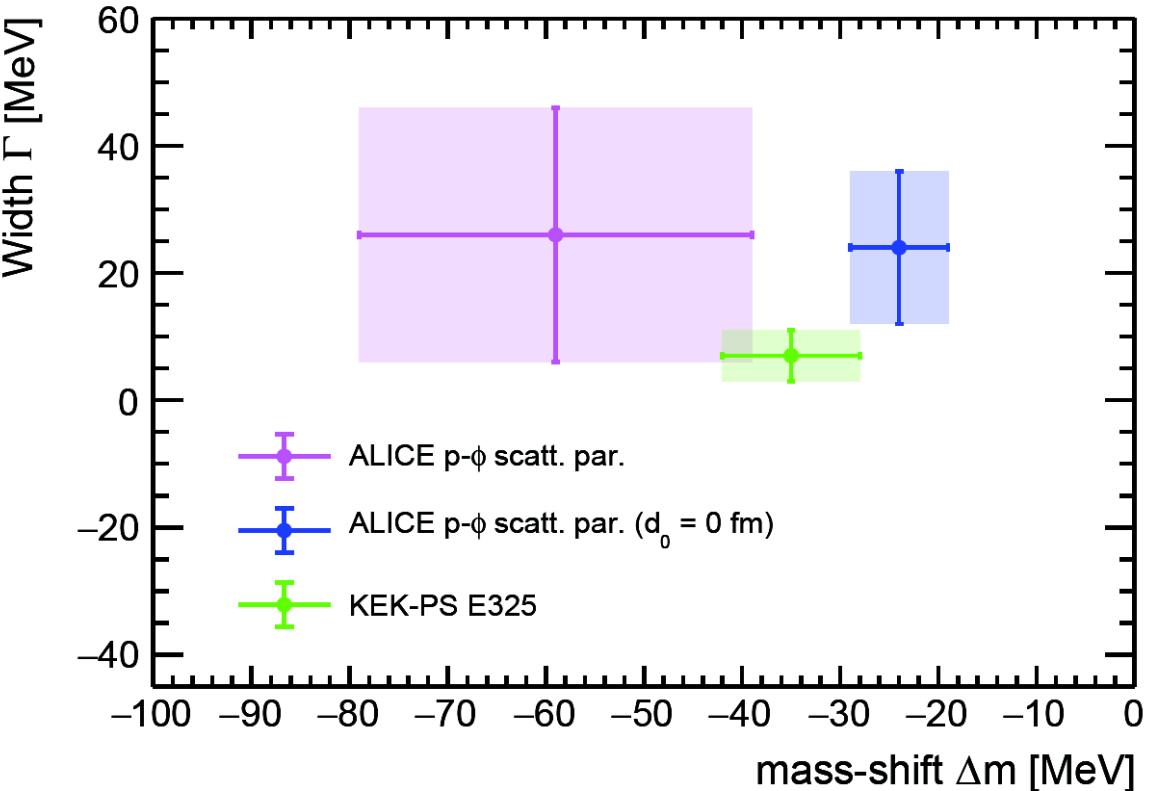
Different sign convention  
 $f_0, a_0 = -a$ !

**Figure 2.6:** Reduced wave-function  $u(r)$  for zero-energy ( $k^* \approx 0$ ) as function of  $r$  for a repulsive potential (a), an attractive potential (b) and increased attractive potential (c). The intercept of the outside  $u(r)$  with the  $r$ -axis gives the scattering length  $a$ . Figures taken from [113].

# In medium properties

- Scattering length can be related to first order optical potential  $U(r) \approx \frac{1}{2m} 4\pi\rho \frac{b}{1+b/d_0} \approx \frac{1}{2m} 4\pi\rho b$  with  $b = f_0 \left(1 + \frac{m_\phi}{m_{proton}}\right)$
- V.A. Baskov et al. arXiv:nucl-ex/0306011v1 (2003)
- Real part related to mass-shift  $V(r) \approx \Delta m$
  - Imaginary part related to width  $W(r) \approx -\Gamma/2$
  - Similar to results of E325 Collab. of  $\Delta m = -(35 \pm 7)$  MeV and  $\Gamma = -(7 \pm 4)$  MeV

KEK-PS E325 Collab., Phys. Rev. Lett. **98** (2007) 042501



# N- $\phi$ coupling constant

- Yukawa-type of potential with real parameters

Phys. Rev. Lett. 98 (2007) 042501

- $V(r) = -A \cdot \frac{e^{-\alpha r}}{r}$

- CF obtained numerically using CATS framework

D.L. Mihaylov et al, Eur. Phys. J. C78 (2018) no.5, 394

Strength  $A = 0.021 \pm 0.009(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.006(\text{syst.})$

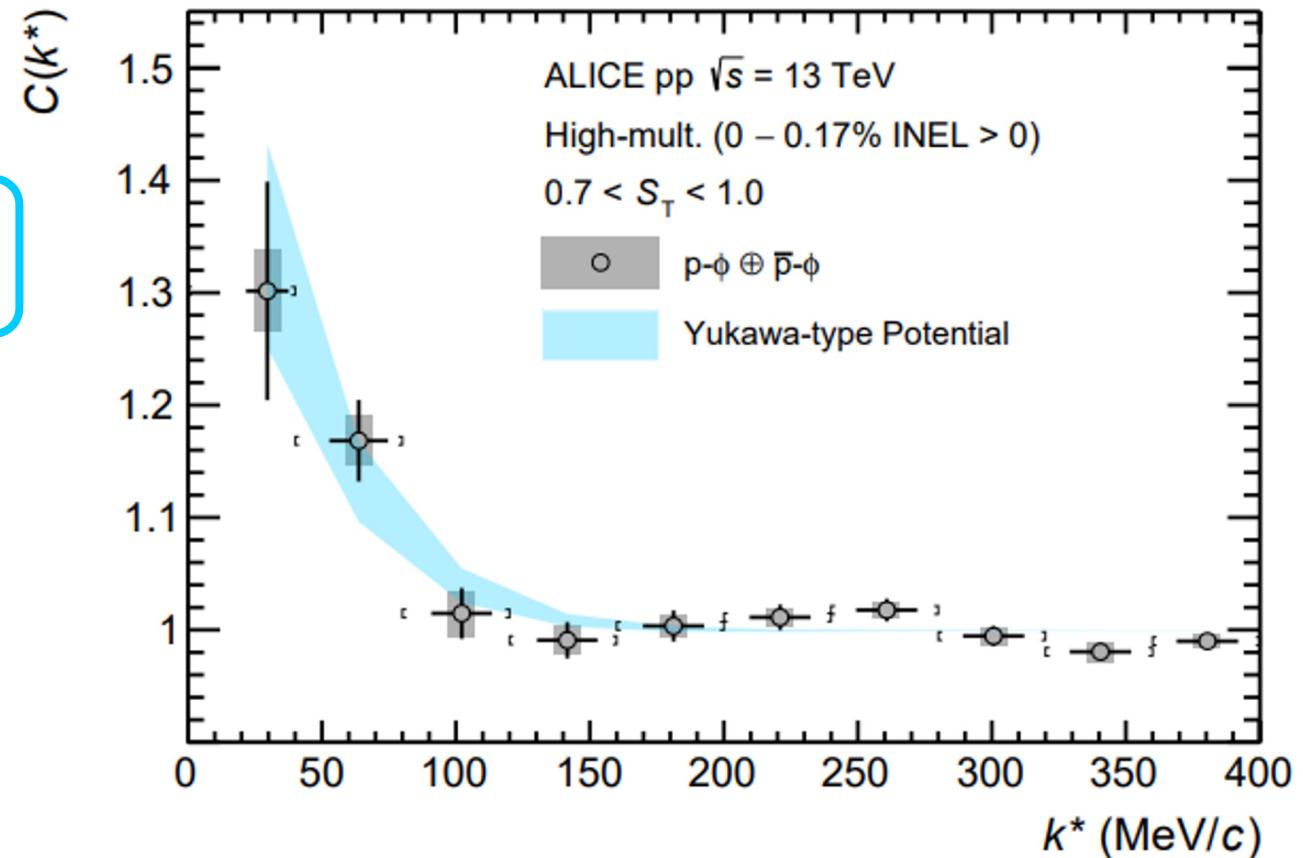
Inverse range  $\alpha = 65.9 \pm 38.0(\text{stat.}) \pm 17.5(\text{syst.}) \text{ MeV}$

- Extraction of N- $\phi$  coupling constant as  $\sqrt{A}$

$g_{\phi N} = 0.14 \pm 0.03(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.02(\text{syst.})$

- Link to Y-Y interaction  $g_{\phi Y} \propto g_{\phi N}$

S. Weissborn et al., Nuclear Physics A, 881 (2012) 62-77



# Relativistic mean field model

$$\mathcal{L}_{YY} = \sum_B \overline{\psi}_B (g_{\sigma^* B} \sigma^* - g_{\phi B} \gamma_\mu \phi^\mu) \psi_B + \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \sigma^* \partial^\mu \sigma^* - m_{\sigma^*}^2 \sigma^{*2}) - \left( \frac{1}{4} \phi_{\mu\nu} \phi^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} m_\phi^2 \phi_\mu \phi^\mu \right)$$



Meson-Baryon interaction      Scalar meson term      Vector meson term

# Info on $\phi\Lambda$ Coupling

$$\frac{g_{N\phi}}{g_{N\omega}} = -\frac{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}(4\alpha_V - 1)z}{\sqrt{6} + (4\alpha_V - 1)z},$$

$$\frac{g_{\Lambda\phi}}{g_{N\omega}} = -\frac{\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{2}(1 - \alpha_V)z}{\sqrt{6} + (4\alpha_V - 1)z},$$

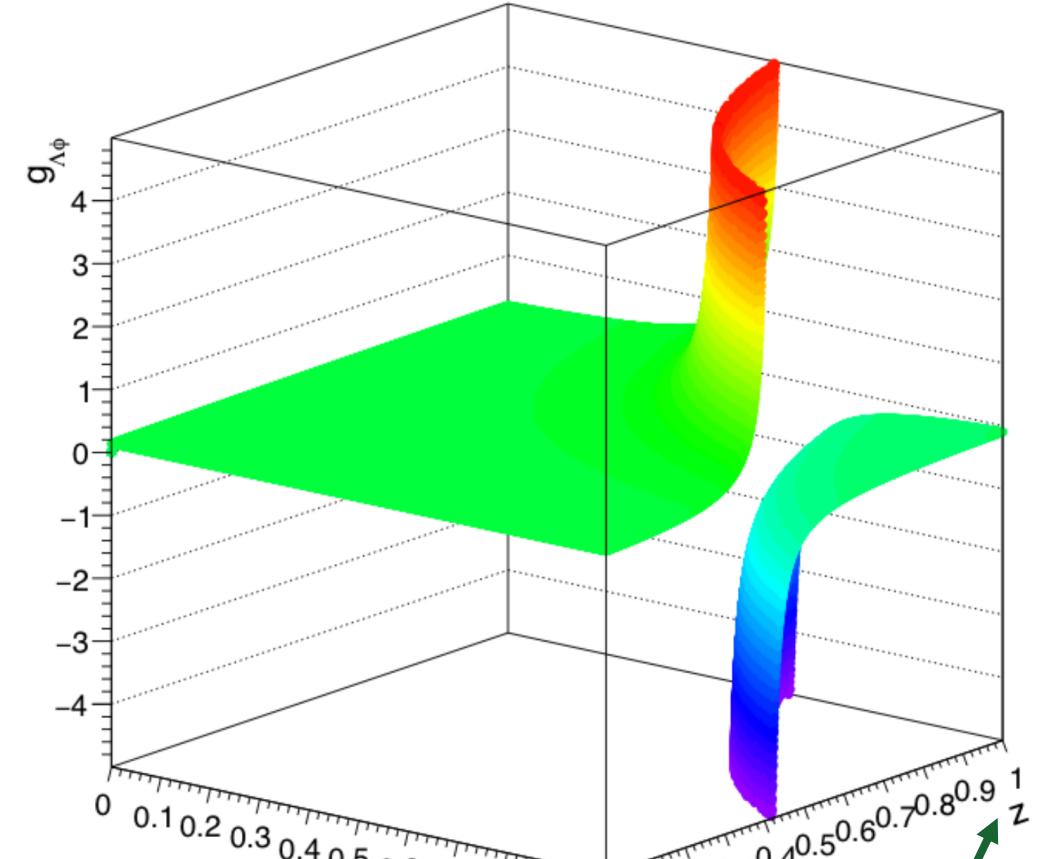
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$$\frac{g_{E\phi}}{g_{N\omega}} = -\frac{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}(1 + 2\alpha_V)z}{\sqrt{6} + (4\alpha_V - 1)z},$$

Relate expression of  
 $g_{\phi\Lambda}$  to  $g_{\phi N}=0.14$



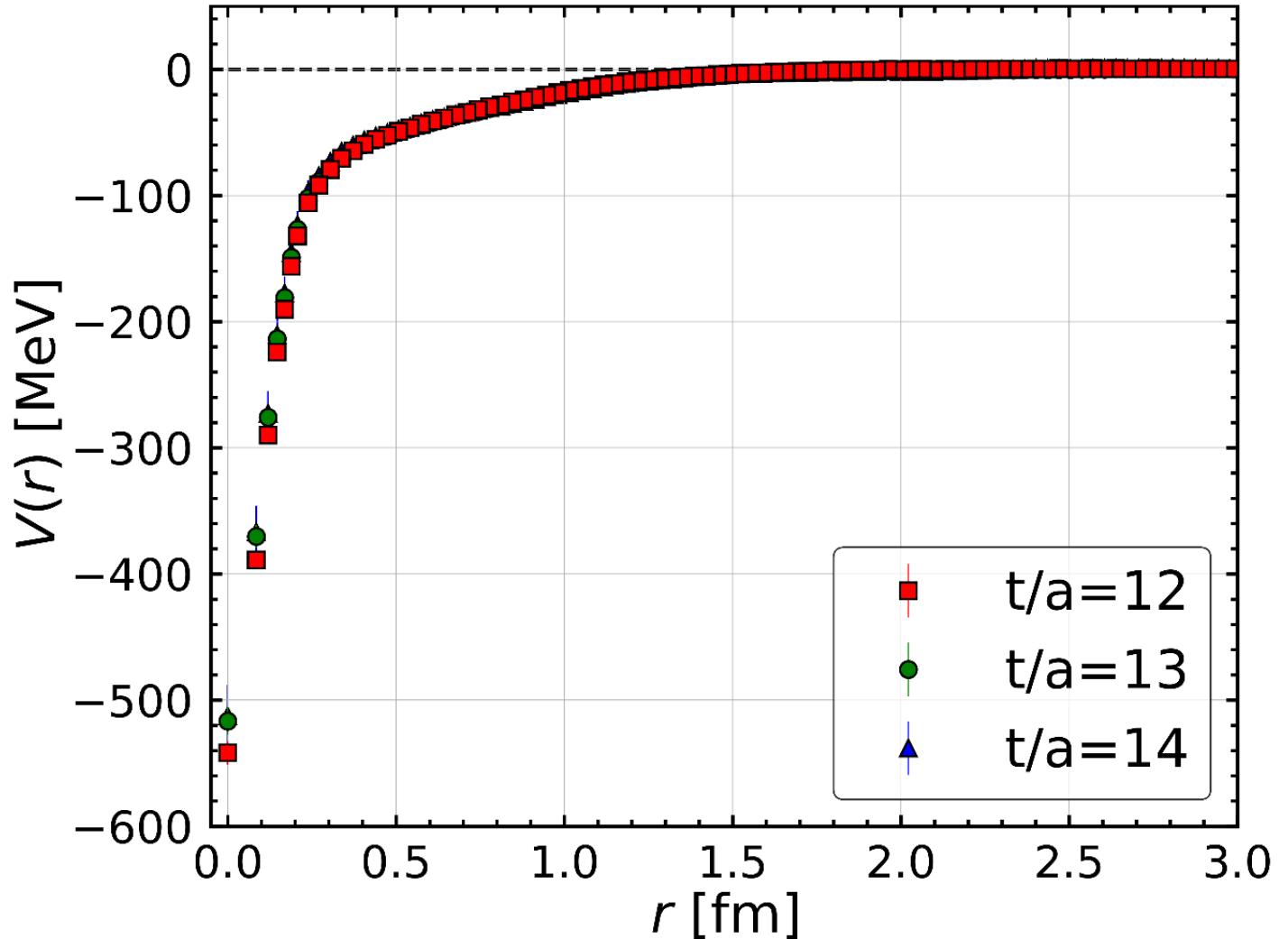
Weights the symmetric (D) and  
anti-symmetric part (F) of the  
octet-octet interaction  
 $\alpha_V=F/(F+D)$



Ratio of meson singlet and octet  
coupling constants  
 $z=g_8/g_1$

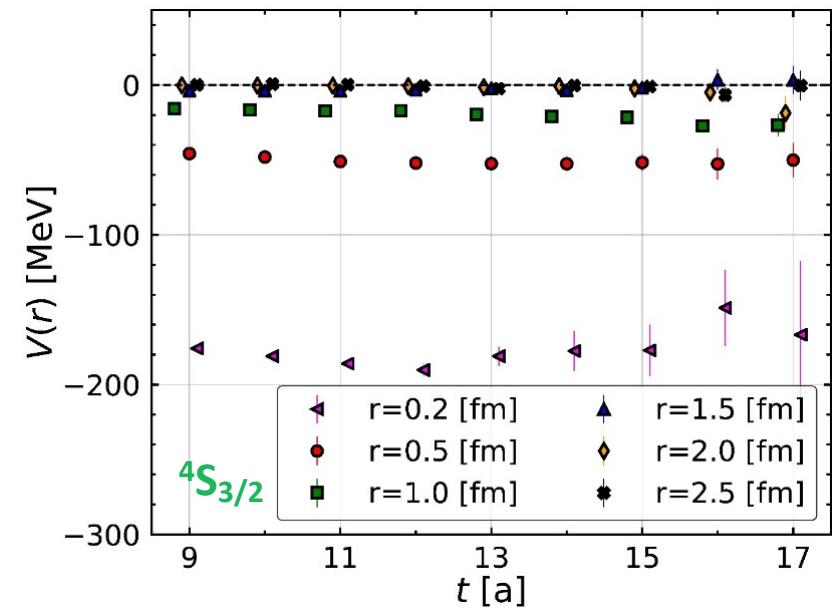
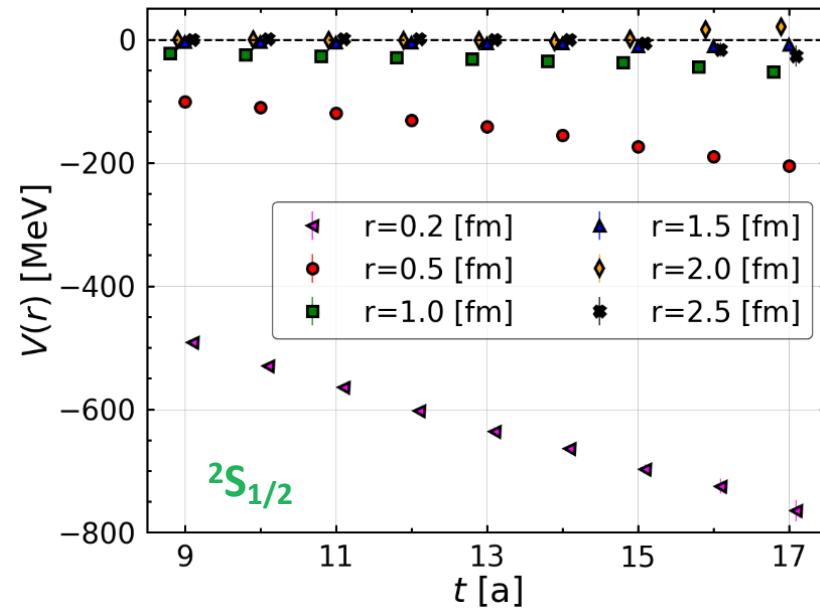
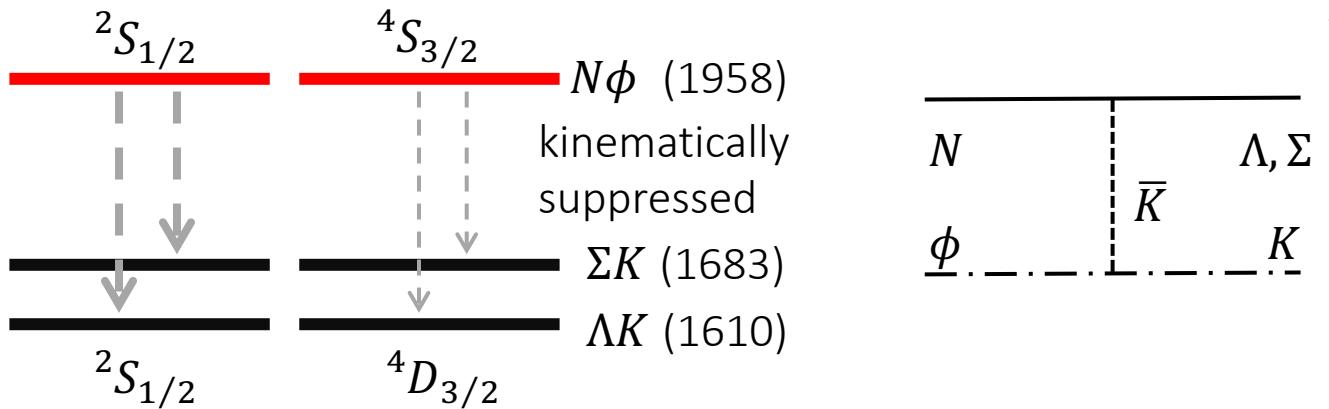
# Lattice potential ${}^4S_{3/2}$

- $N\phi({}^4S_{3/2})$  potential at Euclidean time 12, 13 and 14
- Attractive core, Pauli exclusion does not operate due to no common quarks
- Long-ranged attractive tail, hints of pion dynamics
- Weak  $t$  dependence

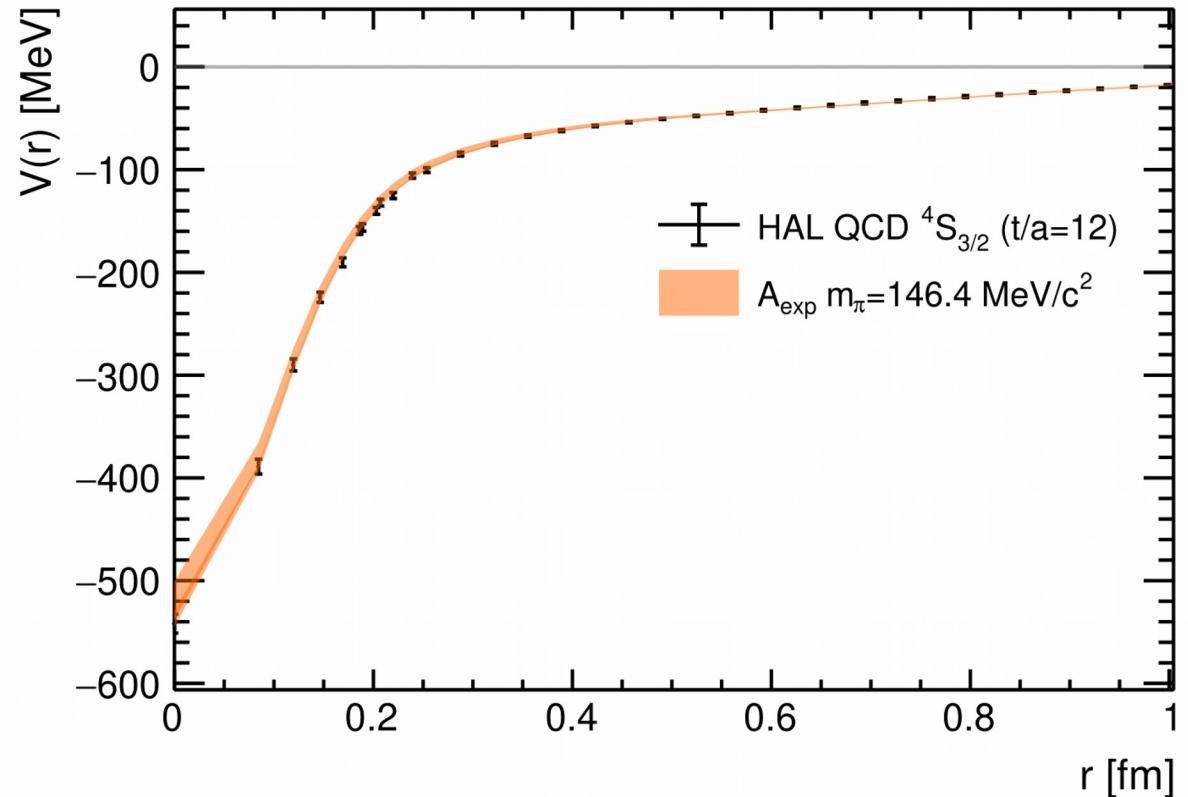
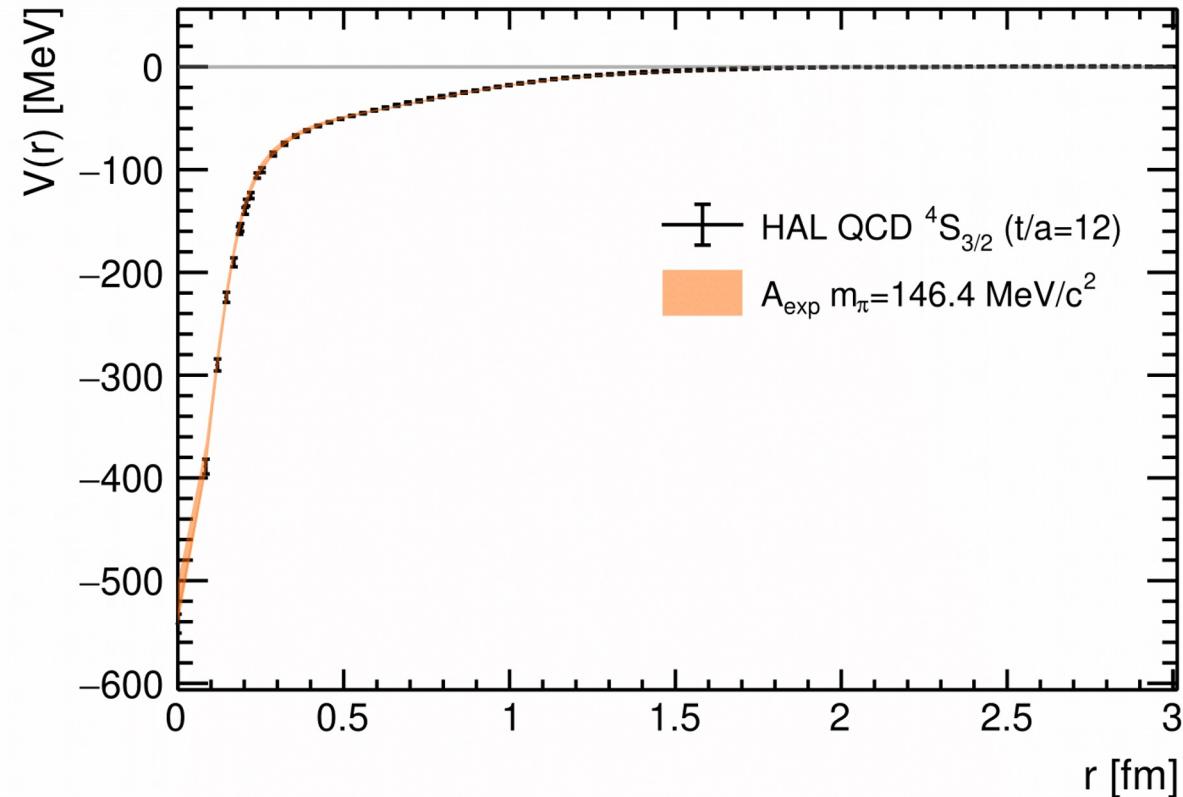


# What about $^2S_{1/2}$

- Two body channels
- Time dependence of potential
  - clear open channel effect in  $^2S_{1/2}$  case



# Parametrization of the ${}^4S_{3/2}$ potential

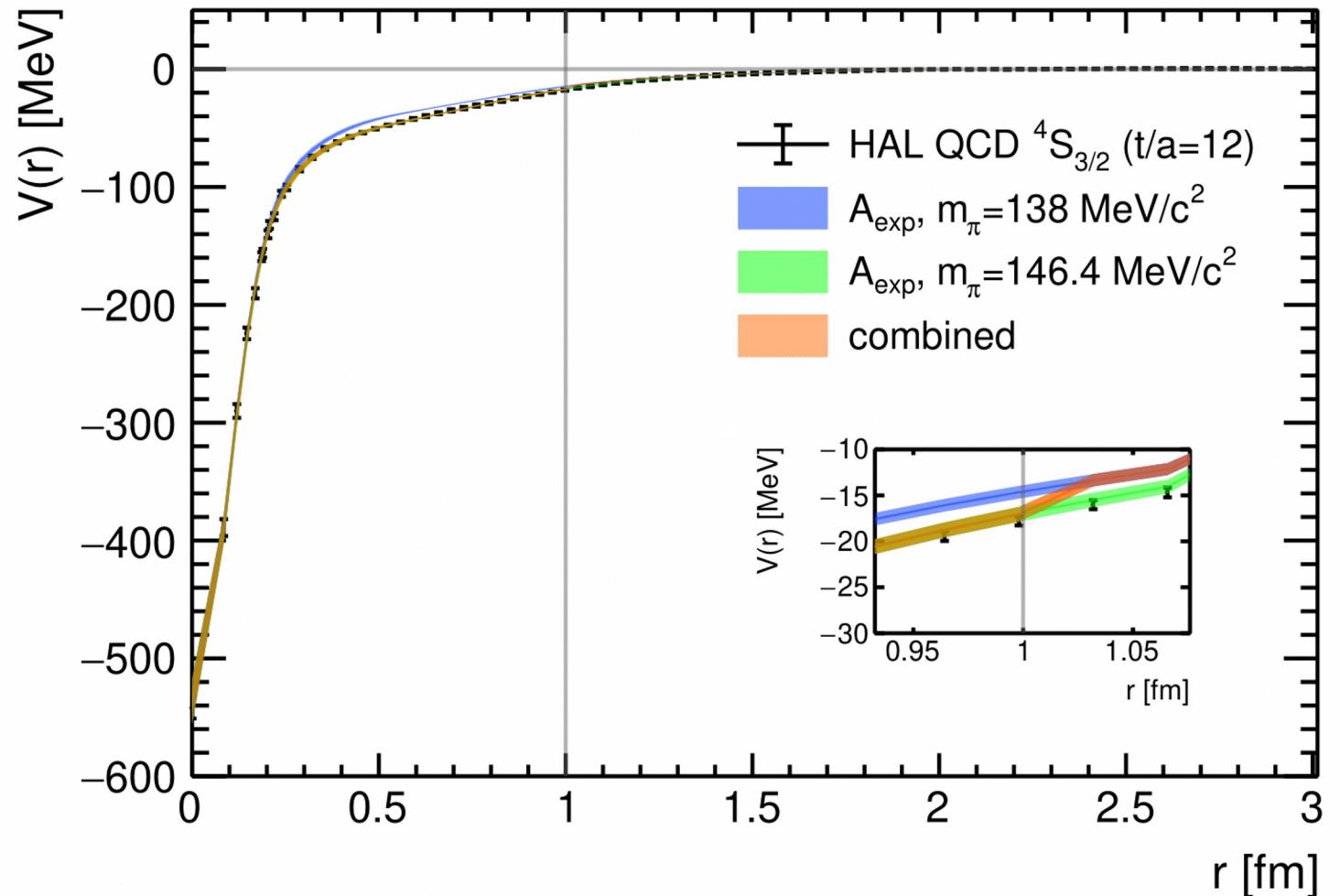


Argonne-type form factor  $f(r; b_3) = (1 - e^{-(r/b_3)^2})^2$

$$V_{LATTICE}(r) = \sum_{i=1,2} a_i e^{-(r/b_i)^2} + a_3 m_\pi^4 f(r; b_3) \frac{e^{-2m_\pi r}}{r^2}$$

# Pionmass variation

- Pion mass of 146.4 MeV used in lattice calculations unphysical  
→ leads to larger scattering parameters
- To estimate potential at physical pion mass:
  - Fit of lattice potential performed using pion mass of 146.4 MeV
  - Changing pion mass to the isospin-average of 138.0 MeV, while potential parameters remain fixed from fit to data



# Real Potential only in $^2S_{1/2}$

$$V_1(r) = V_{LATTICE,MOD}(r) + i \cdot \cancel{\sqrt{f(r; \beta_3)}} \frac{\alpha_{Im}}{r} e^{-m_K \cdot r}$$

- From fit to data  $\beta = (7.02 \pm 0.07_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.15_{\text{syst}})$
- $\chi^2/\text{ndf}$  ( $k^* < 200 \text{ MeV}/c$ ) = 1.98

