# Application of SMS chiral interactions to light hypernuclei





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- Motivation
- New chiral YN interactions
- Theoretical uncertainties of  $\Lambda$ -separation energies
- Estimates of 3BF contributions for  ${}^3_{\Lambda}H$  ,  ${}^4_{\Lambda}H$  /  ${}^4_{\Lambda}He$  and  ${}^5_{\Lambda}He$
- CSB of the YN interaction
- Conclusions & Outlook

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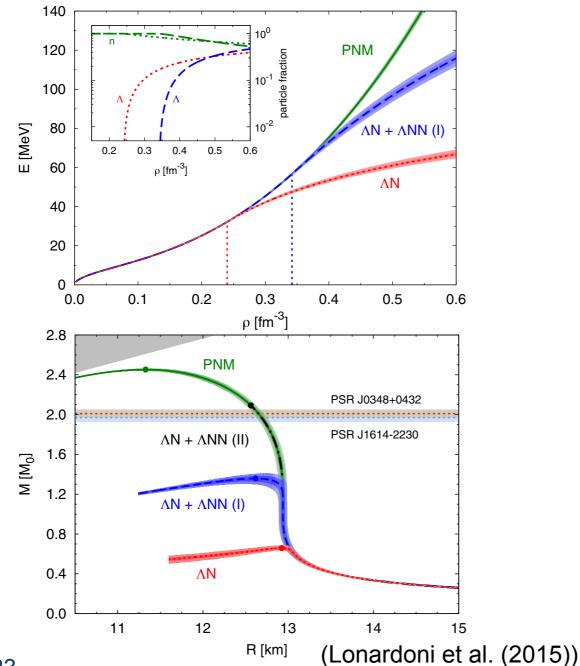
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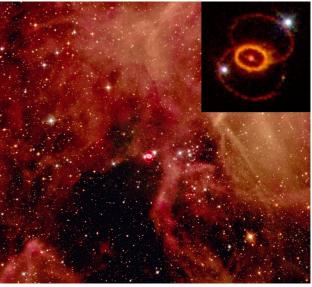
#### Hypernuclear interactions

#### Why is understanding hypernuclear interactions interesting?

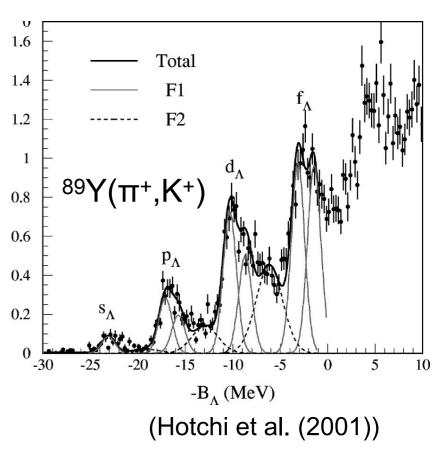
- hyperon contribution to the EOS, neutron stars, supernovae
- "hyperon puzzle"
- Λ as probe to nuclear structure
- flavor dependence of baryon-baryon interactions







(SN1987a, Wikipedia)



#### Hypernuclei

# Only few YN data. Hypernuclear data provides additional constraints.

- AN interactions are generally weaker than the NN interaction
  - naively: core nucleus + hyperons
  - "separation energies" are quite independent from NN(+3N) interaction
- no Pauli blocking of Λ in nuclei
  - good to study nuclear structure
  - even light hypernuclei exist in several spin states
- *non-trivial constraints* on the YN interaction even from lightest ones
- size of YNN interactions?
   need to include Λ-Σ conversion!





(from Panda@FAIR web page)

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#### Hypernuclei





- new data (J-PARC, Star, Alice, ...)
- world averages compiled by Mainz group (Eckert et al.)

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### Hypernuclear interactions

We will use here chiral interactions, start with a brief summary of other approaches to the  $\Lambda N~(YN)$  interaction

Long history of  $\Lambda N$  interaction models

- early models (Downs, Iddings, Brown, Dalitz, before 1970)
- Nijmegen group (Nijm D, Nijm F, SC89, SC97 and ESC(ESC16), 1973-2016)
- Jülich model (Jülich 1994, Jülich 2004)
- RGM model of Fujiwara, fss2 (1995, 2002)

models have successfully used to understand binding mechanism

important role of  $\Lambda\!-\!\Sigma$  conversion

EFT based approaches

pionless (=Goldstone boson less) EFT

- application to  ${}^{3}_{\Lambda}$ H and  $\Lambda nn$  (Hammer 2002, Hildenbrand et al. 2019,2020)

- application to A = 3 - 5 hypernuclei (Contessi et al. PRL 2018)

interactions given by contact interactions, usually in leading order

only  $\Lambda$  explicitly considered

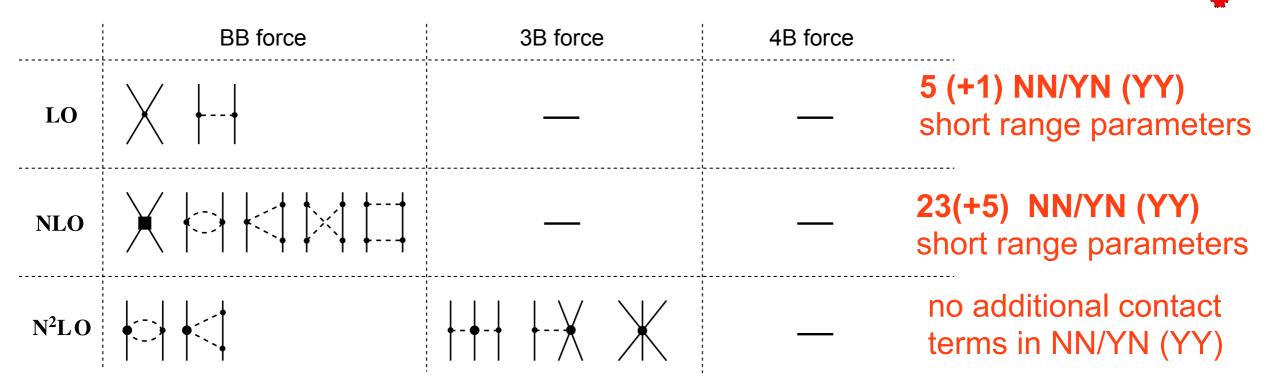
EFT requires **3BFs** in leading order (three additional parameters) expansion parameter



#### Chiral NN & YN interactions



#### EFT based approaches (cont')



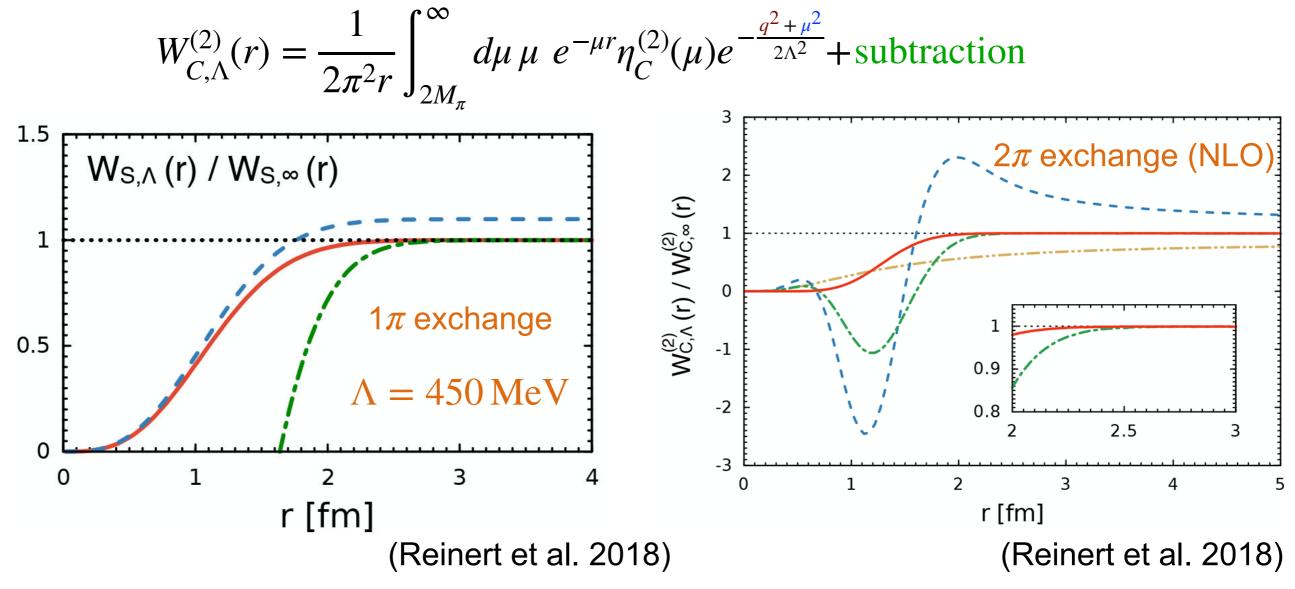
Chiral EFT implements chiral symmetry of QCD (adapted from Epelbaum, 2008)

- perturbative expansion for the interaction
- non-perturbative solution of Schrödinger eq.
- symmetries constrain exchanges of Goldstone bosons
- relations of two- and three- and more-baryon interactions
- breakdown scale  $\, \approx \, 600 700 \, MeV$

Retain flexibility to adjust to data due to counter terms **Regulator required** — cutoff/different orders often used to estimate uncertainty **Λ-Σ conversion** is explicitly included (size of 3BFs expected to be N<sup>2</sup>LO) October 9th, 2023

#### Choice of regulator

- trad. regularized (Entem et al. 2005, Epelbaum 2001, Ordonez et al. 1994)
- spectral function (SFR) regularization (Epelbaum 2005)
- semilocal coordinate-space (SCS) regularization (Epelbaum et al. 2015)
- semilocal momentum-space (SMS) regularization (Reinert et al. 2018)



NLO13/NLO19 YN based on trad. reg.

#### N<sup>2</sup>LO based on SMS (incl. subtractions)



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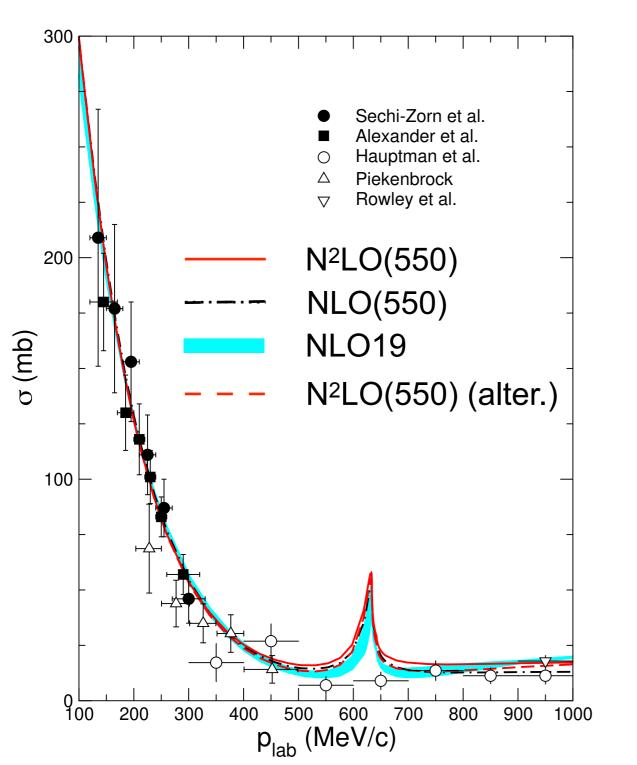
In order to check uncertainties realization in LO(700) NLO(500), NLO(550), NLO(600) and N<sup>2</sup>LO(500), N<sup>2</sup>LO(550), N<sup>2</sup>LO(600)

Details on fitting procedure using partly flavor-SU(3):

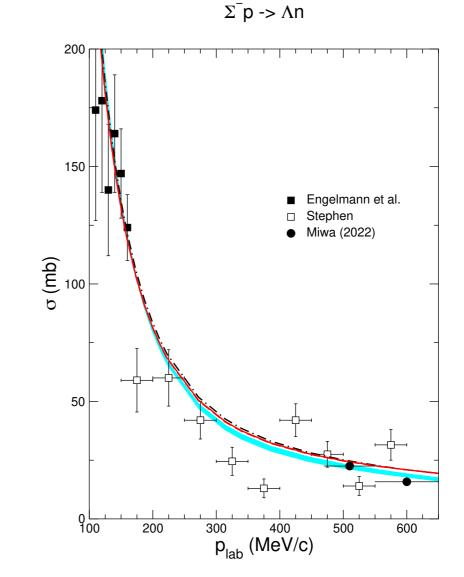
- flavor SU(3) is broken by using physical meson and baryon masses!
- retain only the 2π exchange from the 2 Goldstone boson exchanges
   should be absorbed in SU(3)-breaking counter terms
- use **36 data** at low energy to determine **s-wave counter** terms
- hypertriton is required to be bound (binding energy roughly correct)  $a_s(\Lambda p) = -2.8 \text{ fm}$  in NLO and N<sup>2</sup>LO
- include SU(3) breaking in LO counter terms (necessary to avoid bound states in YN)
- assume SU(3) symmetry for p-waves counter terms in NLO values for p-wave counter terms of NN
- fit to differential cross section in N<sup>2</sup>LO
  - two versions for N<sup>2</sup>LO(550) differ for differential cross sections none is clearly preferred

 $\Lambda p \rightarrow \Lambda p$ 

Selected results (show  $\Lambda = 550 \, MeV$ , others are very similar in quality)



- most relevant cross sections very similar in NLO and N<sup>2</sup>LO
- similar to NLO19
- alternative fit (see later)



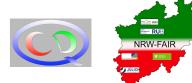
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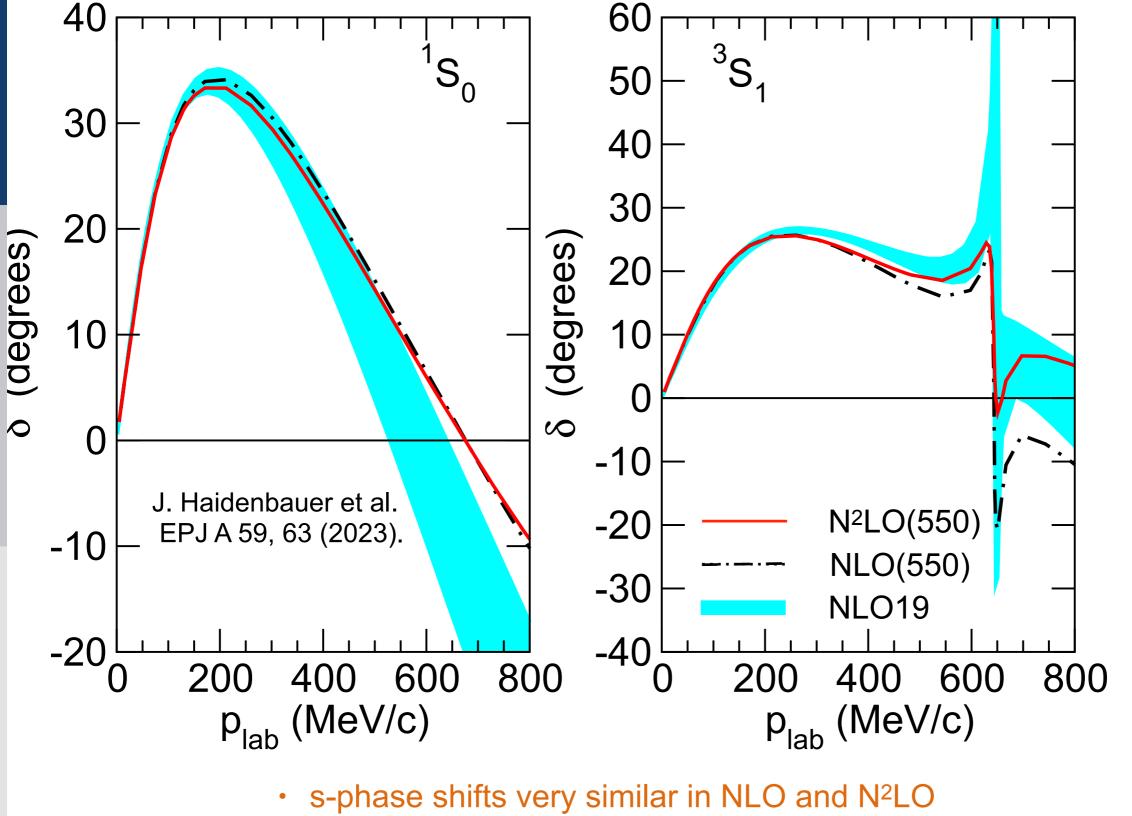






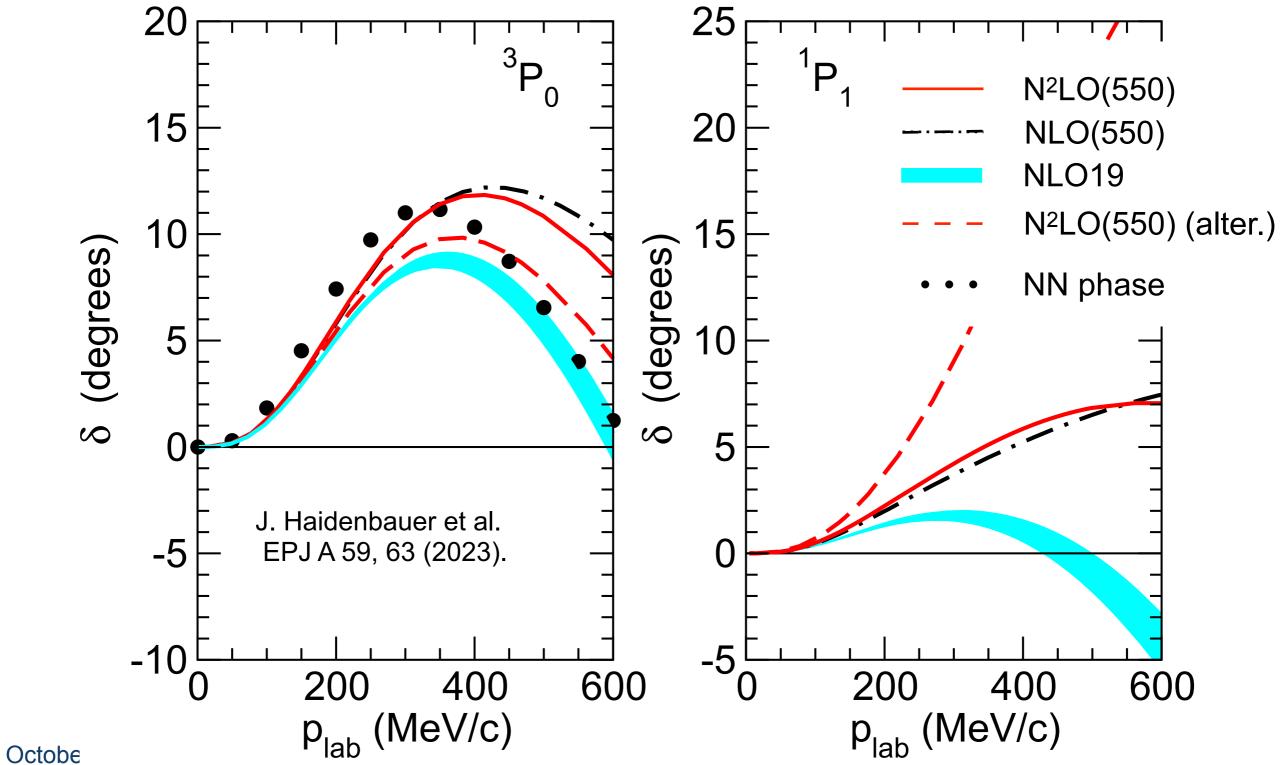


Selected phase shifts



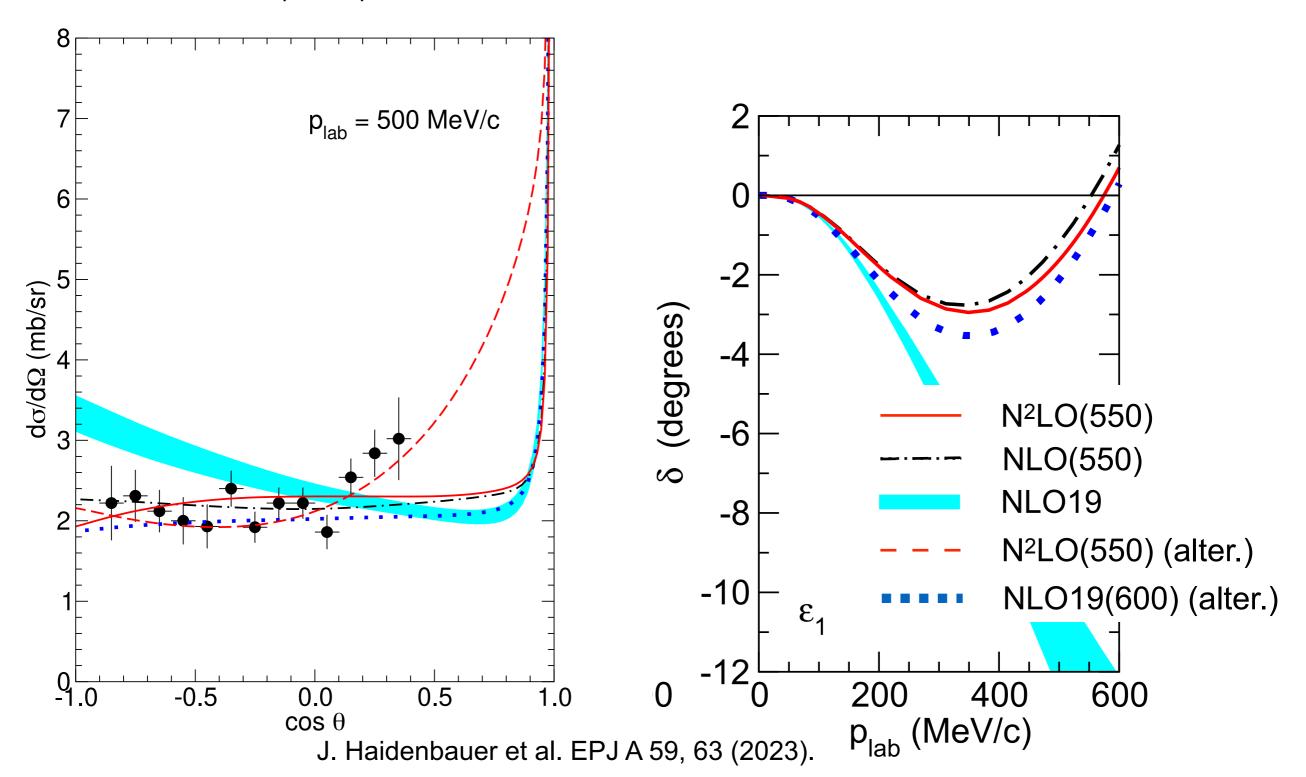
similar to NLO19 although different tail at high momenta

 $\Sigma^+$ —*p* scattering can be strongly related to NN in <sup>3</sup>P<sub>0</sub>,<sup>3</sup>P<sub>1</sub>,<sup>3</sup>P<sub>2</sub> (at least in NLO) In <sup>1</sup>P<sub>1</sub>, in NLO, setting the counter term to zero is OK.



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new data (Miwa(2022)) at higher energies provides new constraints!



 $\Sigma^+ p \rightarrow \Sigma^+ p$ 





Notes on the current status of the SMS interactions

- so far no YNN forces (N<sup>2</sup>LO) have been used in A>2 calculations (see in a moment)
- p-waves are not uniquely determined more accurate hypernuclear calculations and/or additional differential observables (polarizations, more cross differential cross sections, ...)
- data from additional channels will be helpful ( $\Lambda p, \Sigma^- p \to \Sigma^0 n, \dots$ )
- calculation for single particle energies in nuclear matter yields results similar to NLO19

   dependence on order and cutoff indicates need to include YNN forces
- even ratio of spin singlet/spin triplet strength requires  ${}^3_\Lambda H$

Is assumption of negligible YNN force valid for this hypernucleus?

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- 1. pin down dependence on NN force (motivated by recent work of Gazda et al 2022, Htun et al. 2021)
- 2. estimate N2LO contribution which quantifies the expected YNN force contribution

#### Uncertainty analysis to A = 3 to 5





Order N<sup>2</sup>LO requires combination of chiral NN, YN, 3N and YNN interaction

Need calculation of separation energies (use Faddeev, Yakubovsky eq. or J-NCSM) and use **different orders** for uncertainty estimate.

Assuming a negligible numerical uncertainty and the following ansatz for the order by order convergence

$$X_{K} = X_{ref} \sum_{k=0}^{K} c_{k} Q^{k} \quad \text{where} \quad Q = M_{\pi}^{eff} / \Lambda_{b} \quad (X_{ref} \text{ LO, exp., max, ...})$$

a Bayesian analysis of the uncertainty is possible (see Melendez et al. 2017,2019)

**Extracting**  $c_k$  for  $k \le K$  from calculations and assuming identical probability distributions for  $c_k$  for k > K the uncertainty is given by the distribution of

$$\delta X_K = X_{ref} \sum_{k=K+1}^{\infty} c_k Q^k$$

#### **Uncertainty analysis** to A = 3 to 5



How to obtain the distribution for  $c_k$ ?

EFT expectation:  $c_k$  are natural-sized, i.e. of order 1.

defines prior distribution (usually normal distribution with width  $\bar{c}$ )  $\bar{c}$  is distributed using an inverse- $\chi^2$  distribution (parameters  $\nu_0$ ,  $\tau_0$ )

For this choice, the posterior then follows the same distribution (conjugate prior) with shifted parameters given the data:

 $\nu = \nu_0 + n_c \quad \nu \tau^2 = \nu_0 \tau_0^2 + \vec{c}_k^2 \quad (\vec{c}_k^2 = \sum c_k^2 \text{ for } n_c \text{ values extracted})$ 



uncertainty follows so-called student *t* distribution (analytically known) allows to extract degree of believe intervals (DoB)

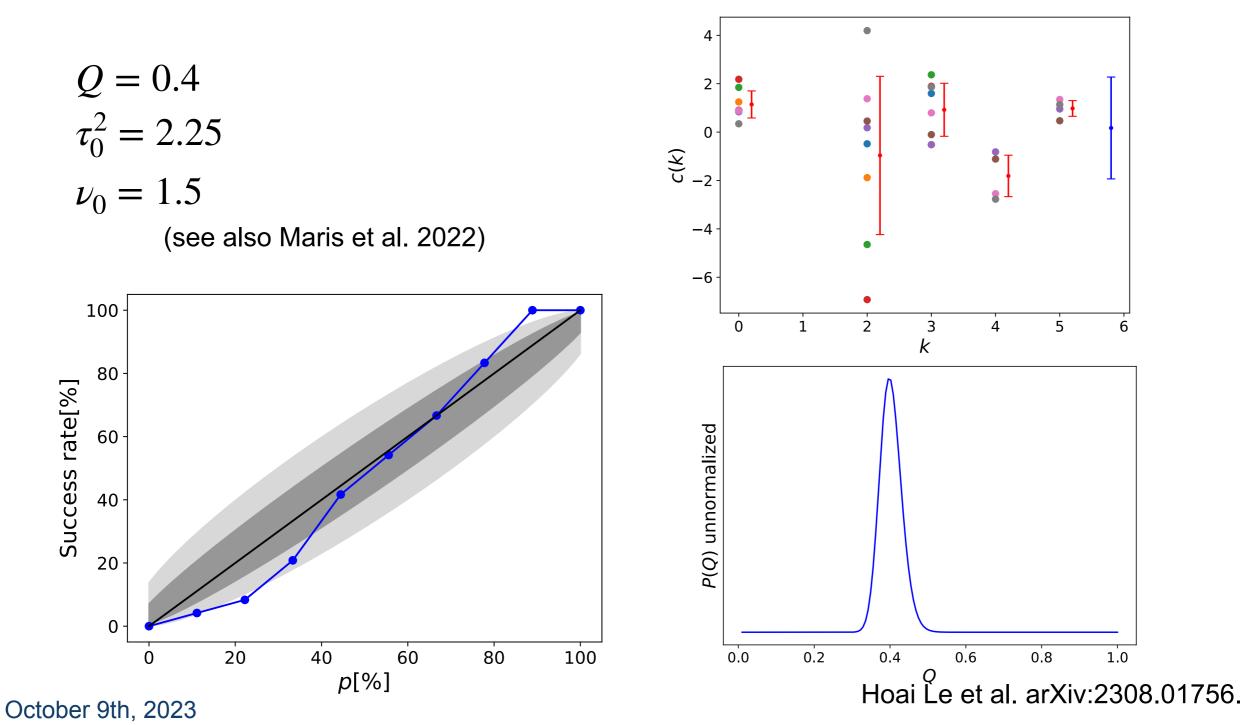
dependence on choice of prior will be less for large  $n_c$  !

### Uncertainty analysis to A = 3 to 5

• expansion parameter Q should be consistent with assumption of k independent distribution of  $c_k$ 



- distribution of of prior should be consistent with observed pattern for  $c_k$
- few orders used cannot entirely remove prior dependence

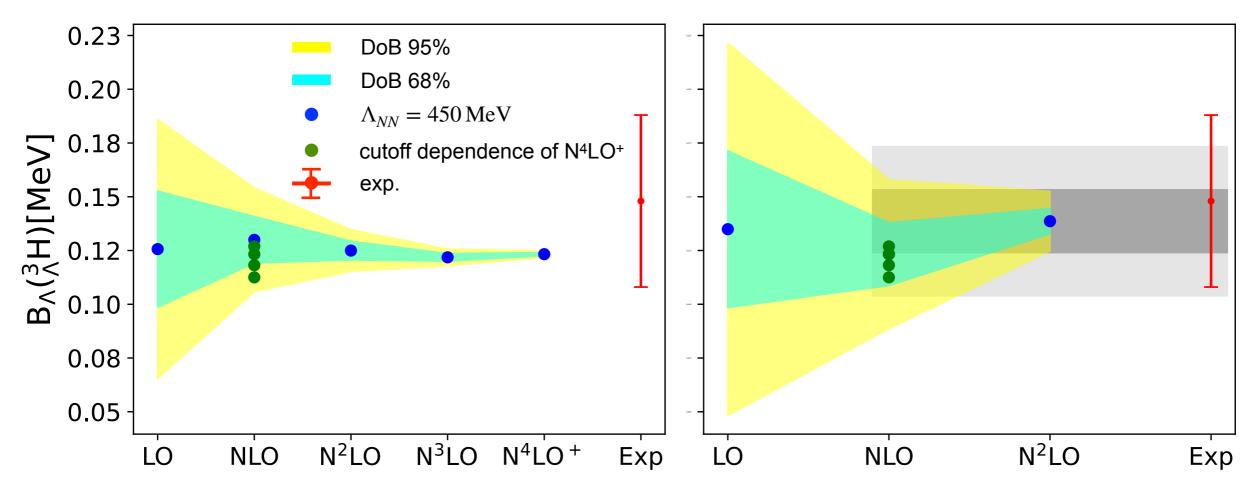


# Application to $^{3}_{\Lambda}H$

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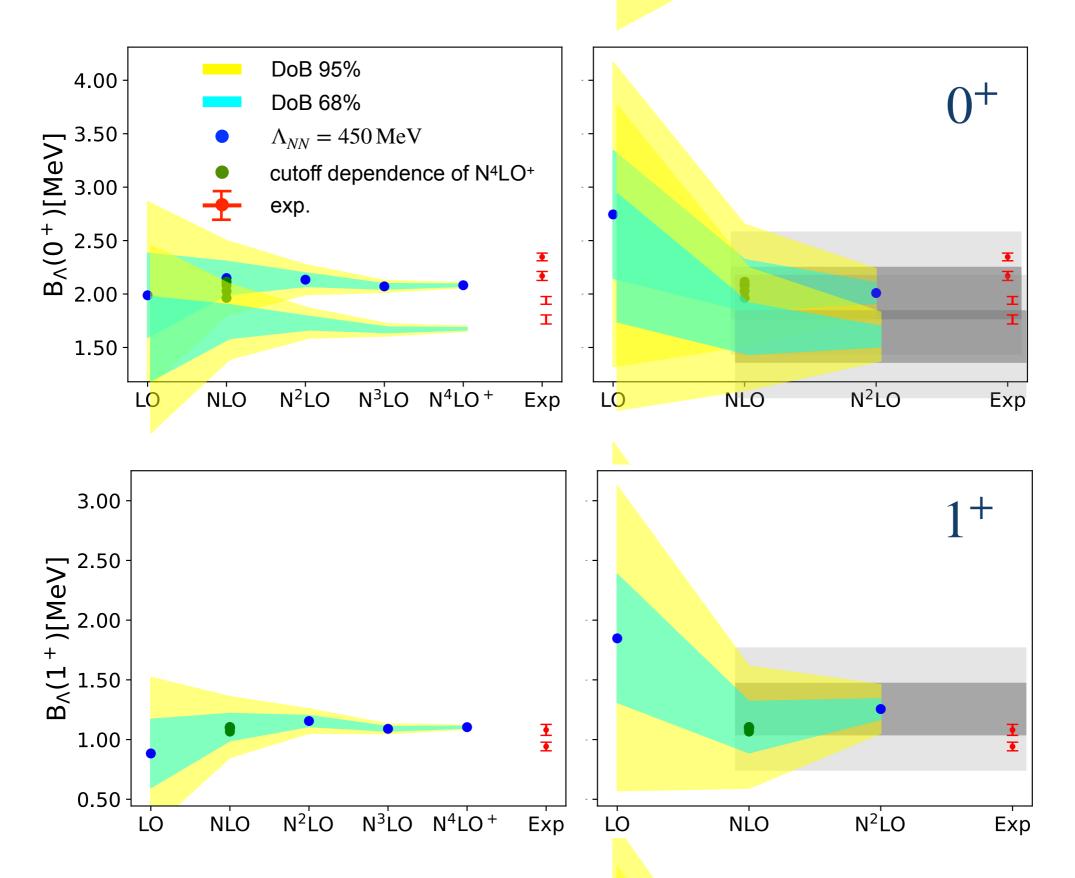


- Q,  $u_0$  and  $u_0$  are chosen using all available data (NN and YN convergence)
- uncertainties are extracted using  $c_k$  for NN or YN convergence
- use  $c_k$  of individual hypernuclei
  - individual uncertainties for NN and YN convergence for each separation energy consistent with experimental data cutoff dependence always at least NLO (YNN missing!)



**Application to**  ${}^{4}_{\Lambda}$ He





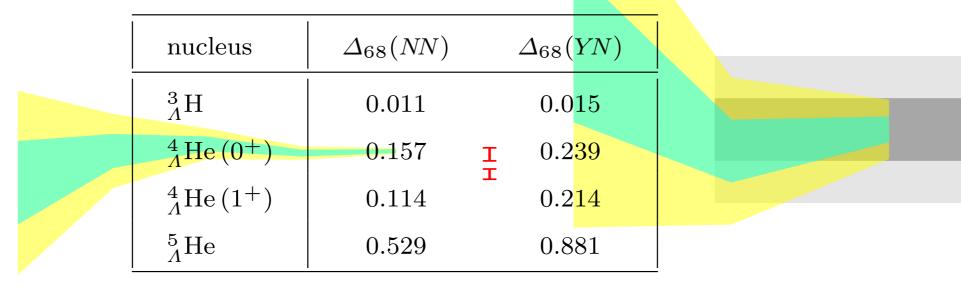
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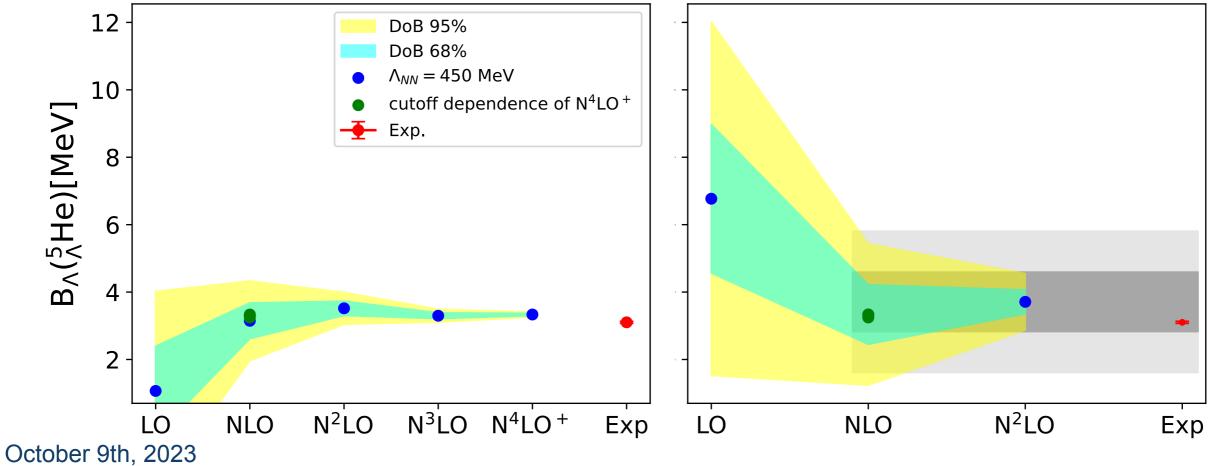
- without YNN: sizable uncertainties at A = 4 and 5
- A = 3 sufficiently accurate
- NN/YN dependence small at least for A = 3



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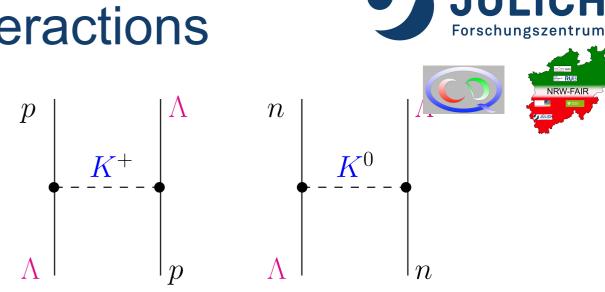






### CSB contributions to YN interactions

- formally leading contributions: Goldstone boson mass difference
  - very small due to the small relative difference of kaon masses



subleading but most important

- effective CSB  $\Lambda\Lambda\pi$  coupling constant (Dalitz, van Hippel, 1964)

- so far less considered, but equally important
  - CSB contact interactions (for singlet and triplet)

#### Aim: use A=4 hypernuclei to determine the two unknown CSB LECs and predict Λn scattering

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#### Fit of contact interactions

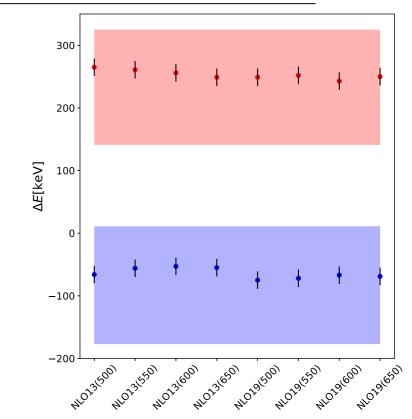
- Adjust the two CSB contact interactions to one main scenario (CSB1)
- Size of LECs as expected by power counting

$$\frac{m_d - m_u}{m_u + m_d} \left(\frac{M_{\pi}}{\Lambda}\right)^2 C_{S,T} \approx 0.3 \cdot 0.04 \cdot 0.5 \cdot 10^4 \,\text{GeV} \propto 6 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot 10^4 \,\text{GeV}$$

Λ	NLO13		NLO19			
	$C_s^{CSB}$	$C_t^{CSB}$	$C_s^{CSB}$	$C_t^{CSB}$		
500	$4.691 \times 10^{-3}$	$-9.294 \times 10^{-4}$	$5.590 \times 10^{-3}$	$-9.505 \times 10^{-4} \\ -1.260 \times 10^{-3}$		
550	$6.724 \times 10^{-3}$	-8.625 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>	$6.863 \times 10^{-3}$			
600	$9.960 \times 10^{-3}$	$-9.870 \times 10^{-4}$	$9.217 \times 10^{-3}$	$-1.305 \times 10^{-3}$		
650	$1.500 \times 10^{-2}$	-1.142 × 10 <sup>-3</sup>	$1.240 \times 10^{-2}$	$-1.395 \times 10^{-3}$		

The values of the LECs are in  $10^4 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$ 

- Problem: large experimental uncertainty of experiment
- here only fit to central values to test theoretical uncertainties



### **Prediction for** $\Lambda n$ **scattering**

- assuming the current experimental situation for  ${}^4_{\Lambda}H$  /  ${}^4_{\Lambda}He$
- without CSB:  $a_s^{\Lambda n} \approx 2.9 \ fm$  with CSB1:  $a_s^{\Lambda n} \approx 3.3 \ fm$
- improved description of  $\Lambda p$  data
- almost independent of cutoff & NLO variant
- CSB of triplet is smaller than of singlet

	$a_s^{\Lambda p}$	$a_t^{\Lambda p}$	$a_s^{\Lambda n}$	$a_t^{\Lambda n}$	$\chi^2(\Lambda p)$	$\chi^2(\Sigma N)$	$\chi^2(\text{total})$
NLO13(500)	-2.604	-1.647	-3.267	-1.561	4.47	12.13	16.60
NLO13(550)	-2.586	-1.551	-3.291	-1.469	3.46	12.03	15.49
NLO13(600)	-2.588	-1.573	-3.291	-1.487	3.43	12.38	15.81
NLO13(650)	-2.592	-1.538	-3.271	-1.452	3.70	12.57	16.27
NLO19(500)	-2.649	-1.580	-3.202	-1.467	3.51	14.69	18.20
NLO19(550)	-2.640	-1.524	-3.205	-1.407	3.23	14.19	17.42
NLO19(600)	-2.632	-1.473	-3.227	-1.362	3.45	12.68	16.13
NLO19(650)	-2.620	-1.464	-3.225	-1.365	3.28	12.76	16.04

An accurate prediction for the  $\Lambda n$  interaction is possible using hypernuclei! remeasurement of  $^{4}_{\Lambda}H$  excitation energy to match accuracy for  $^{4}_{\Lambda}He$ ? measurement of  $^{4}_{\Lambda}He$  ground state at J-PARC



for "CSB1": currently accepted experimental values

#### **Conclusions & Outlook**

- YN interactions not well understood
  - scarce YN data
  - more information necessary to solve "hyperon puzzle"
- Hypernuclei provide important constraints
  - CSB of  $\Lambda N$  scattering &  ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}$  /  ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$
  - ${}^{3}_{\Lambda}$ H is used to constrain the spin dependence
  - new experiments planned at J-PARC, MAMI, J-Lab, FAIR,...
- New SMS YN interactions
  - give an accurate description low energy YN data
  - order LO, NLO and N<sup>2</sup>LO allow uncertainty quantification
  - have a non-unique determination of contact interactions (data necessary)
- Chiral 3BF need to be included
  - NLO uncertainty is sizable in A = 4 and 5
  - chiral 3BFs are formulated (Petschauer et al., (2016)) and the implementation is currently checked

