

In search of Baryonia

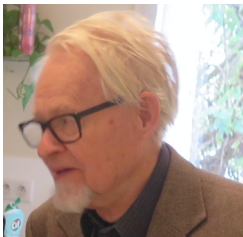
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Introduction

- Fruitful collaboration with [Slawek](#).
- ⇒ Where to search for nucleon-antinucleon (quasi-)bound states or baryonia?

1) Formation experiments

- ★ $J/\psi \rightarrow \mathcal{B}p\bar{p}$, $\mathcal{B} = \gamma(\omega, \phi, \pi)$
- ★ $M_{p\bar{p}}$ distribution compared BES III histogram data of $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma p\bar{p}$
- ★ Summary and outlook

2) Experiments testing sub-threshold energy region

- * Analysis of anti-protonic hydrogen and helium atoms
- * Results with the Paris potential models
- * Ratios of neutron over proton capture rates
- * Concluding remarks and outlook

Started in the late nineties, being both invited by Torleif Ericson at Uppsala. Since then, we have collaborated within the French-Polish IN2P3-COPIN agreement program.

Publications **not involving nucleon-antinucleon**:

- B. Loiseau , S. Wycech, $\pi\Lambda\Sigma$ coupling extracted from hyperonic atoms, Phys. Rev. C **63**, 034003 (2001); arXiv: nucl-th/0012005.
- T.E.O. Ericson, B. Loiseau, S. Wycech, A phenomenological π^-p scattering length from pionic hydrogen, Phys. Letters B **594**, 76 (2004); arXiv: hep-ph/0310134.

Publications **related to possible nucleon-antinucleon (quasi)-bound states or baryonia**:

- B. Loiseau, S. Wycech, Antiproton-Proton Channels in J/Psi decays Phys. Rev. C **72**, 011001(R) (2005); arXiv: hep-ph/0501112.
- B. El-Bennich, M. Lacombe, B. Loiseau, S. Wycech, Paris $N\bar{N}$ potential constrained by recent antiprotonic atom data and $\bar{n}p$ total cross sections, Phys. Rev C **79**, 054001 (2009); arXiv:0807.4454 [nucl-th].
- B. El-Bennich, J-P. Dedonder ,B. Loiseau, S. Wycech, Structure of the X(1835), Phys. Rev. C **80**, 045207 (2009); arXiv:0904.2163 [hep-ph].
- E. Friedman, A. Gal, B. Loiseau, S. Wycech, Antiproton-nucleus interaction near threshold from the Paris nucleon-antinucleon potential, Nucl. Phys. A **943**, 101 (2015); arXiv:1506.06965 [nucl-th].
- ⇒ J. -P. Dedonder, B. Loiseau, S. Wycech, Photon or meson formation in J/ψ decays into $p\bar{p}$, Phys. Rev. C **97**, 065206 (2018); arXiv:1802.00763 [hep-ph].
- ⇒ B. Loiseau, S. Wycech, Extraction of baryonia from the lightest anti-protonic atoms, Phys. Rev. C **102**, 034006 (2020); arXiv:2007.01775 [nucl-th].

Where to search for nucleon-antinucleon (quasi-)bound states or baryonia?

Search in $N\bar{N}$ since the beginnings of LEAR era at CERN but **nothing found** as:

- these **states are broad** due to fast annihilation processes and experiments confronted with **heavy backgrounds**,
- exclusion principle not operative and a **large number of partial waves** may be formed in the $N\bar{N}$ systems.

1) **Specific $N\bar{N}$ states** can be reached in **formation experiments**.

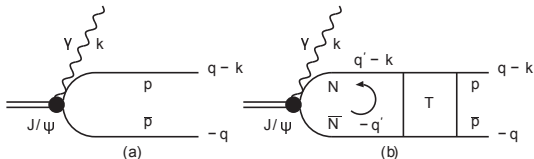
- $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma p\bar{p}$: **enhancement** close to the $p\bar{p}$ threshold observed by the BES Collaboration [Phys. Rev. Lett. **108**, 112003 (2012)].
- J/ψ meson and photon: $J^{PC} = 1^{--} \Rightarrow$ **only 1S_0 , 3P_1 , and 3P_0** final $p\bar{p}$ states allowed by P and C conservations in the $\gamma p\bar{p}$ channel.
- Semi-quantitative description of $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma p\bar{p}$ [B. Loiseau, S. Wycech, PRC**72**, 011001(R) (2005)] with final $\gamma p\bar{p}$ state dominated by the 1S_0 partial wave where **Paris potential** [B. El-Bennich, J-P. Dedonder, B. Loiseau, S. Wycech, PRC **79**, 054001 (2009)] has a **52 MeV broad quasi-bound state at 4.8 MeV below threshold**.
 $2S+1L_J$ or $2^{I+1}, 2S+1L_J \rightarrow S, L, J, I$: spin, angular momentum, total momentum, isospin (1 or 0) of $p\bar{p}$.
- ⇒ Study of $J/\psi \rightarrow \mathcal{B} p\bar{p}$ decays, $\mathcal{B} = \gamma, (\omega, \phi, \pi)$ [J. -P. Dedonder, B. Loiseau, S. Wycech, PRC **97**, 065206 (2018)]

2) Experiments testing **sub-threshold energy region**: **atomic levels in very light atoms**:

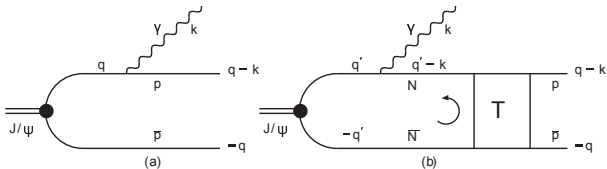
- Useful atoms to **study baryonia**: antiprotonic deuterium and antiprotonic helium - experimental data exist - relatively simple nuclear structure - study $\bar{p}N$ interaction at different sub-threshold energies.
- ⇒ Analysis of anti-protonic hydrogen and helium atoms [B. Loiseau, S. Wycech, PRC **102**, 034006 (2020)].

Two processes (DWBA) to describe the BES Collaboration data on γ (or ω).

a) **Direct Emission (DE):**



b) **Emission from Baryonic Current (BC):**

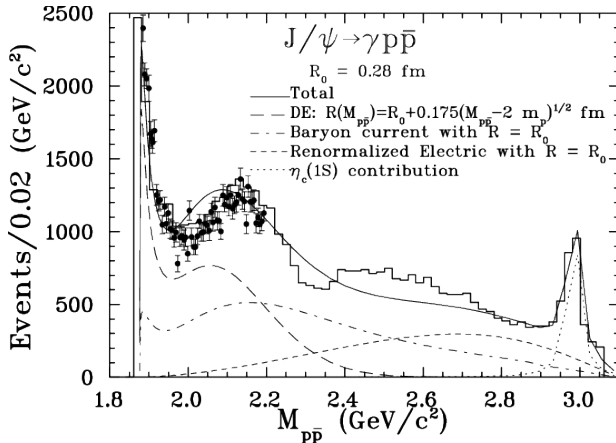


\bullet : J/ψ source, phenomenological Gaussian function with radius

$R(M_{p\bar{p}}) = R_0 + \beta\sqrt{M_{p\bar{p}} - 2m} \rightarrow R_0 = 0.28 \text{ fm}, \beta = 0.175 \text{ fm}^{3/2}$ represent the data fairly well.

(a) Born term, (b) **T**: Final State Interaction (FSI) with **S-wave half-off shell function from Paris $N\bar{N}$ potential** [B. El-Bennich, M. Lacombe, B. Loiseau, S. Wycech, PRC **79**, 054001 (2009)]

Peak related to strong nucleon-antinucleon attraction essentially in the $N\bar{N} \ ^{11}S_0$ state



→ 7 free parameters,
 i) normalization **source function** fixed by $J/\psi \rightarrow p\bar{p}$ decay rate,
 ii) **magnetic and electric** amplitudes calculated independently for DE and BC emission modes,
 iii) **emission** rates added and the normalizations of the DE and BC rates fixed to **reproduce** the experimental ratio $\mathcal{R} = \Gamma(p\bar{p}\gamma)/\Gamma(p\bar{p})$ and the invariant mass distribution,
 iv) **Electric contribution** (P -wave) is renormalized,
 v) the $\eta_c(2983)$ formation is fitted by a relativistic Breit-Wigner.

Baryonic current $p\bar{p}$ peak: strongly suppressed due to interference of intermediate $p\bar{p}$, $n\bar{n}$ channels.

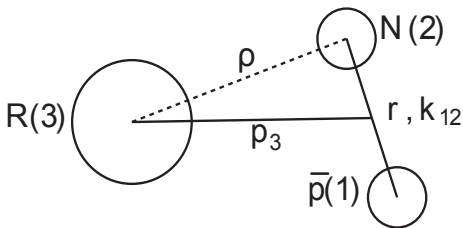
Summary: BES Collaboration data on $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma(\omega)p\bar{p}$ is described by **two processes**.

- 1) **Direct emission process** before formation of final baryons.
 - ★ FSI for $\gamma \Rightarrow$ 2 resonant states:
 - a) a very **sharp peak** close to threshold due to a **baryonium** - broad 52 MeV wide quasi-bound state at 4.8 MeV below threshold in $^{11}S_0$ wave of Paris potential,
 - b) a **resonant state at 2170 MeV** - shape resonance in the same partial wave.
 - ★ For (ω) Born contribution describes full ω spectrum at large $M_{p\bar{p}}$ and $M_{\omega p}$.
 - ★ For γ (or ω) weak energy dependence for the source radius is necessary.
- 2) **Emission from baryonic current**. Occurs after J/ψ decay into an $N\bar{N}$ pair.
 - ★ For γ not sufficient to reproduce final resonant states \Rightarrow need DE model.
 - ★ For (ω, π, ϕ , not shown here) the Born term is the dominant mode.
 - ★ But the **ω mass distribution** $M_{p\bar{p}}$ needs a strong reduction in the lower mass region: obtained by introducing a **FSI involving a $N^*(3/2)$ or $\bar{N}^*(3/2)$ resonance** created by an ω - p (ω - \bar{p}) interaction via an ω exchange between \bar{p} - p (p - \bar{p}) pairs.

Outlook

- * J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ different internal structure: DE \Rightarrow **no peak in $\psi(2S)$ formation**.
- * Paris potential **fits data $M_{p\bar{p}} \lesssim 2.1$ GeV** but produces reasonable results beyond.
- * Present approach could be applied with other interaction like the χ EFTN³LO [Ling-Yun Dai, J. Haidenbauer, U.-G. Meissner, JHEP **07**, 078 (2017)]
- * Present work \Rightarrow related $\bar{p}p \rightarrow J/\psi +$ **meson** reaction on nuclei sooner or later at **FAIR** (Facility for Antiproton and Ion Research), at GSI, Darmstadt, Germany.

Level shifts and width for ${}^2\text{H}(2P)$, ${}^3\text{He}(2P, 3D)$, ${}^4\text{He}(2P, 3D)$ expressed in terms of $\bar{p}N$ sub-threshold scattering lengths and volumes.



Quasi-three-body system, 1: antiproton, 2: nucleon, 3: residual system.

Jacobi coordinates, momentum: $\mathbf{p}_3, \mathbf{k}_{12}$, space: $\boldsymbol{\rho}, \mathbf{r}$.

- ⇒ If \bar{p} bound into an atomic orbital, energy shifts of upper levels (levels of small atomic-nucleus overlap) generated by perturbation and at leading order:
 $\Delta E_{nL} - i\Gamma_{nL}/2 = \sum_j \langle \psi_L \varphi | V_{\bar{p}N_j}(E, S) | \varphi \psi_L \rangle$, \sum_j over all nucleons of the nucleus.
 $\varphi(\boldsymbol{\rho})$: wave function of the struck nucleon; $\psi_L(\beta\rho)$: Coulomb-atomic-wave functions of given angular momentum L with $\beta = \frac{M_R}{M_R + M_N}$.

Outline for the S-wave interaction:

$$V_{\bar{p}N}(E_{cm}, S) = \frac{2\pi}{\mu} \tilde{T}_0(r, E_{cm})$$

$$\tilde{T}_0(r, E) = \frac{\mu_{N\bar{N}}}{2\pi} V_{N\bar{N}}(r, E) \frac{\Psi(r, E, k'(E))}{\psi_o(r, k'(E))}$$

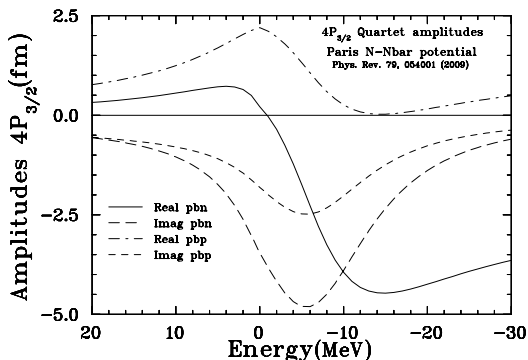
→ $E < 0$, $V_{N\bar{N}}(r, E)$: Paris model,
 $k'(E) = \sqrt{2\mu_{N\bar{N}}E}$, regular free wave:
 $\psi_o(r, k) = \sin(rk)/(rk)$, $\Psi(r, E, k'(E))$
 solution of the Lippman-Schwinger
 equation: $\Psi = \psi_o + G^+ V \Psi$.

order	Shift	Width
S wave	100{113}	210{145}
P wave	-9{58}	365{206}
Sum	91{171}	575{341}
Data [1, 2]	243 \pm 26	489 \pm 30

[1] D. Gotta, Prog.Part.Nuc.Phys. **52**, 133 (2004).

[2] D. Gotta *et al.*, NPA **660**, 283 (1999).

Results for **2P-deuterium** level corrections in meV calculated with the spin averaged amplitudes of the **Paris 2009** potential. Numbers curly brackets are results with the **Paris 1999** potential.



Subthreshold amplitudes generating the **4P_{3/2} hyperfine structure in deuterium**. With Paris 09 solution it is strongly dominated by the **resonant $a(^{33}P_1)$ at -4.8 MeV**. Relevant $\bar{p}N$ c.m. energies fall in the region **-7.6 \pm 1 MeV**. Downward **shift of the resonance position by a -4 MeV or more will strongly reduce the attraction** calculated in this component. In this way the hyperfine structure splitting is practically nullified.

	2P shift	2P width	3D width
S wave	6.68{9.22}	17.5{11.5}	0.69{0.49}
P wave	-6.36{1.44}	15.0{26.9}	1.46{2.08}
Sum	0.31{10.71}	32.5{38.4}	2.15{2.57}
Data [3]	17 ± 4	25 ± 9	2.14 ± 0.18

[3] M. Schneider *et al.*, Zeit. Phys. A **338**, 217 (1991).

	2P shift	2P width
S wave	6.66{7.83}	12.3{7.70}
P wave	-5.20{4.75}	19.1{22.13}
Sum	1.46{12.59}	31.4{29.8}
Data [3]	17 ± 4	25 ± 9

Leading order calculations in eV for 2P and in meV for 3D (widths only) [level corrections in \$^3\text{He}\$](#) obtained with the spin averaged amplitudes of the [Paris 2009](#) potential.

Numbers in [curly brackets](#) are obtained with the [Paris 1999](#) potential.

As in the above Table but only for 2P level [including higher order corrections](#). Now the contribution of the P wave interaction depends also on S wave interaction as a result of multiple scattering summation method.

	2P shift	2P width	3D width
<i>S</i> wave	9.72{17.6}	26.0{19.8}	0.66{0.50}
<i>P</i> wave	-9.01{-10.4}	14.9{14.8}	0.91{0.91}
Sum	0.708{7.2}	40.9{34.6}	1.57{1.41}
Data [3]	18 ± 2	45 ± 5	2.36 ± 0.10

[3] M. Schneider *et al.*, Zeit. Phys. A **338**, 217 (1991).

	2P shift	2P width
<i>S</i> wave	8.94{12.3}	14.7{10.4}
<i>P</i> wave	-8.71{-10.9}	19.0{18.6}
Sum	0.23{1.4}	33.7{29.0}
Data [3]	18 ± 2	45 ± 5

Leading order calculations in eV for 2*P* and in meV for 3*D* (widths only) [level corrections in \${}^4\text{He}\$](#) obtained with the spin averaged amplitudes of the [Paris 2009](#) potential.

Numbers in [curly brackets](#) are obtained with the Paris 1999 potential.

As in the above Table but only for 2*P* level [including higher order corrections](#). Now the contribution of the *P* wave interaction depends also on *S* wave interaction as a result of multiple scattering summation method.

The Ratios of neutron over proton capture rates from atomic states: $R_{n/p} = N(\bar{p}n)/N(\bar{p}p)$.

atom	$N(\bar{p}n)/N(\bar{p}p)$
^{96}Zr [4]	2.6 ± 0.3
^{124}Sn [4]	5.0 ± 0.6
^{106}Cd [4]	0.5 ± 0.1
^{112}Sn [4]	0.79 ± 0.14

[4] P. Lubiński, J. Jastrzębski, A. Trzcińska, W. Kurcewicz, F. J. Hartmann, W. Schmid, T. vonEgidy, R. Smolańczuk, S. Wycech, Composition of the nuclear periphery from antiproton absorption, PRC **57**, 2962 (1997).

Atom	Experiment	Paris 09	Paris 99
$\bar{p} \ ^2\text{H}$ [5]	0.81 ± 0.03	1.09 {0.55}	0.84 {0.61}
$\bar{p} \ ^2\text{H}$ [6]	0.749 ± 0.018	1.09 {0.55}	0.84 {0.61}
$\bar{p} \ ^3\text{He}$ [7]	0.70 ± 0.14	.65	1.00
$\bar{p} \ ^4\text{He}$ [7]	0.48 ± 0.03	.48	0.59

[5] R. Bizzari *et al.*, Nuovo Cim. **22A**, 225 (1974)

[6] T. E. Kalogeropoulos and G.S Tsanakos, PRD **22**, 2585 (1980).

[7] F. Balestra *et al.*, Nucl. Phys. **A474**, 651 (1987).

The ratios of $N(\bar{p}n)$ and $N(\bar{p}p)$ capture rates from atomic states. The second column gives the **experimental** numbers obtained in **radiochemical** experiments [4]. Two **normal cases** ^{96}Zr and ^{124}Sn : **neutron haloes**.

Anomalous results for ^{106}Cd and ^{112}Sn , partly due to a sizable differences (~ 3 MeV) in p and n separation energies valence nucleons. Additional explanation: fairly **narrow $N-\bar{N}$ quasibound** state boosting $\bar{p}-p$ absorptions over $\bar{p}-n$ ones.

$R_{n/p}$ ratios. Second column: **experimental** results from \bar{p} stopped in **bubble chambers**. Third and fourth columns Paris potential **calculation** It is assumed that capture occurs from **nP atomic levels**. Results for captures in deuterons from **nS states**: **curly brackets**.

Antiprotonic atomic levels characterized with very small nuclear-atom overlap are a **powerful method** to study $\bar{p}N$ amplitudes below the threshold, down to some -40 MeV.

- Paris 2009: *S*-wave $\bar{p}N$ amplitudes dominated by a **broad $^{11}S_0$** quasibound state, $E = -4.8$ MeV, $\Gamma = 50$ MeV, \rightarrow strong **repulsion** levels in the light atoms.
 - *P*-wave interactions are **attractive** and balance with *S* wave \rightarrow **uncertain position** of the $^{33}P_1$ -quasibound state predicted by Paris 2009 and 1999.
 - Repulsion from the $^{11}S_0$ wave not strong enough: \rightarrow new phenomenon below -40 MeV - In **Paris 2009: $l=1$ quasibound *S*-wave state at -80 MeV** - Data requires a **shift to -60 MeV**. \star **Medium and heavy atoms** - higher nuclear densities and level shifts far from Born approximations - require **attraction**.
 - Consistency with the ^2H , ^3He **atomic levels** + understanding of the $R_{n/p}$ **anomalies** require the $^{33}P_1$ quasibound state (-17 MeV in Paris 99; -4.5 MeV in Paris 09) to be **located** in the $[-11, -9]$ MeV region.
 - In antiprotonic deuterium measurement of the $4P_{3/2}$ **fine structure** would be valuable and would fix the energy of $^{33}P_1$ quasibound state.
- \Rightarrow Paris 2009 versus Paris 1999: **level shifts Paris 99 better** (strongly bound $^{33}P_1$); **Paris 09** fits on additional $\bar{n}p$ and capture rates $R_{n/p}$ **better** \rightarrow advantage **PUMA project** at CERN; Paris 09 better for the BES Collaboration enhancement results.
- \star **Outlook Paris 09** starting point for successful description of atomic, bubble chamber, radiochemical data if ***P*-wave baryonium position** shifted down by few MeV + **deeply bound *S* state** pushed up by some 20 MeV.
- \Rightarrow **Update** of this potential model, work is in progress.

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BACKUP MATERIAL

→ Related works to formation experiments

- A first indication that the near threshold $p\bar{p}$ enhancement observed by the BES collaboration in $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma p\bar{p}$ is in an $l = 0$ state was obtained in a simple quark model by A. Datta and P. J. O'Donnell [A new state of baryonium, PLB **567**, 273 (2003)]
- Near-threshold peak formed in the $1S_0$ wave reached by:
 - the Jülich group, although the Bonn-Jülich potential does not generate a bound state in this wave [Haidenbauer, U.-G. Meißner, A. Sibirtsev, Near threshold $p\bar{p}$ enhancement in B and J/ψ decays, PRD **74**, 017501 (2006).]
 - G. Y. Chen, H. R. Dong, J.P. Ma, [Near threshold enhancement of $p\bar{p}$ system and $p\bar{p}$ elastic scattering, PLB **692**,136 (2010)] in the framework of an effective NN interaction model.
- Another study of the near-threshold enhancement \rightarrow quasibound state [A. I. Milstein, S. G. Salnikov, Interaction of real and virtual $p\bar{p}$ pairs in $J/\psi \rightarrow p\bar{p}\gamma(\rho, \omega)$ decays, NPA **966**, 54 (2017).]
- The Bonn-Jülich group, good threshold behavior description in all mesic channels with a chirally motivated NN potential, conclusion similar to that of the Paris potential: \Rightarrow quasibound state [X.-Y. Kang, J. Haidenbauer, U.-G. Meißner, Near threshold $p\bar{p}$ invariant mass spectrum measured in J/ψ and ψ' decays, PRD **91**, 074003 (2015).]
- Analysis on baryon-antibaryon in the low relative momentum region in pp collisions, performed by Valentina Mantovani Sarti within The Alice collaboration, S. Acharya *et al.* [Investigating the role of strangeness in baryon-antibaryon annihilation at the LHC, arXiv: 2105.05190v1 [nucl-ex]]