## Strange Mesons in Nuclei and Neutron Stars

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- KN interaction: Λ(1405) resonance
- KNN bound state
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## **K**N interaction: the $\Lambda(1405)$

•  $\overline{\text{KN}}$  scattering in the I=0 channel is governed by the presence of the  $\Lambda(1405)$  resonance, located only 27 MeV below the  $\overline{\text{KN}}$  threshold





<mark>Λ\* (1405</mark>)

K=

s=-1

- 50's: idea originally proposed by Dalitz and Tuan
- since 90's: the study of KN scattering has been revisited by means of unitarized theories using meson-exchange models or chiral Lagrangians

#### meson-exchange models

Mueller-Groeling, Holinde and Speth '90; Buettgen, Holinde, Mueller-Groeling, Speth and Wyborny '90; Hoffmann, Durso, Holinde, Pearce and Speth '95; Haidenbauer, Krein, Meissner and Tolos '11..

#### chiral Lagrangian

Kaiser, Siegl and Weise, '95; Oset and Ramos '98; Oller and Meissner '01; Lutz, and Kolomeitsev '02; Garcia-Recio et al. '03; Jido et al. '03; Borasoy, Nissler, and Weise '05; Oller, Prades, and Verbeni '05; Oller '06; Borasoy, Nissler and Weise '05; Khemchandani, Martinez-Torres, Nagahiro, Hosaka '12 Feijoo, Magas and Ramos '19....

more channels, next-to-leading order, Born terms beyond WT (s-channel, u-channel), fits including new data

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#### Shift and width of the 1s state of the kaonic hydrogen

The SIDDHARTA collaboration at DAΦNE collider has determined the most precise values of the **shift and width of the 1s state of the kaonic hydrogen**, clarifying the discrepancies between KEK and DEAR results



SIDDHARTA results provide important constraints on theoretical descriptions

Ikeda, Hyodo and Weise '12 Guo and Oller '13 Mai and Meissner '13 Feijoo, Magas and Ramos '15

## Double-pole structure of Λ(1405)

 $\Lambda(1405)$  results from the superposition of two poles in the complex plane,



with different coupling to  $\pi\Sigma$  and  $\overline{K}N$  states

Pole positions for the  $\Lambda(1405)$  coming from recent chiral effective models including the SIDDHARTA constraint.

Model		First Pole [MeV]	Second Pole [MeV]
NLO	Ikeda, Hyodo and Weise '12	$1424^{+7}_{-23} - i26^{+3}_{-14}$	$1381^{+18}_{-6} - i81^{+19}_{-8}$
Fit II	Guo and Oller '13	$1421^{+3}_{-2} - i19^{+8}_{-5}$	$1388^{+9}_{-9} - i114^{+24}_{-25}$
Solution	n Nr. 2 Mai and Meissner '1	$_{5}1434^{+2}_{-2} - i10^{+2}_{-1}$	$1330^{+4}_{-5} - i56^{+17}_{-11}$
Solution Nr. 4		$1429^{+8}_{-7} - i  12^{+2}_{-3}$	$1325^{+15}_{-15} - i90^{+12}_{-18}$



the measured spectra of the  $\Sigma\pi$  final states associated to the  $\Lambda(1405)$  for kaon- and pion-induced reactions supports the double-pole structure of the  $\Lambda(1405)$ 

Magas, Oset and Ramos '05

## **Λ(1405) production**



 $\Sigma\pi$  invariant mass distributions for

different photon energies,

where  $\pi^{0}\Sigma^{0}$  is in red,  $\pi^{-}\Sigma^{+}$  in blue and  $\pi^{+}\Sigma^{-}$  in green Roca and Oset '13

Data from CLAS: Moriya et al '13

#### **Photo-induced reactions**

**CLAS** Moriya et al '13  $\gamma + p \rightarrow \Lambda(1405)K^+ \rightarrow (\Sigma\pi)^0 K^+$ 

Theory: Nacher et al. '99, Roca and Oset '13, Nakamura and Jido '14, Mai and Meissner '15..  $\Lambda(1405)$  photoproduction reactions most sensitive to high-energy pole

Kaon-induced reactions sensitive to high-energy pole Magas, Oset and Ramos '05, whereas Pion-induced reactions most sensitive to the low-energy pole Hyodo et al. '03

#### Kaon-induced reactions in deuteron J-PARC (E31) Naruki et al. '12

 $K^-d \to \pi \Sigma n$ 

**Theory:** Jido, Oset and Sekihara '09 '13, Miyagawa and Haidenbauer '12, Ohnishi et al '16, Miyagawa, Haidenbauer and Kamada '18..

#### Proton-proton collisions



## **K**NN bound state

if the  $\overline{K}N$  interaction is so attractive, the  $\overline{K}$ -nuclear clusters may form

→ The KNN (I=1/2) state



#### thoroughly addressed theoretically

Akaishi, Yamazaki, Shevchenko, Gal, Mares, Revai, Ikeda, Sato, Kamano, Dote, Hyodo, Weise, Wycech, Green, Bayar, Oset, Ramos, Yamagata-Sekihara, Barnea, Liverts, Dote, Inoue, Myo, Uchino, Hyodo, Oka..

#### initial claims by FINUDA, DISTO and OBELIX, that could find alternative conventional explanation Ramos et al '08 or not be reproduced Agakishiev et al [HADES] '15

more recent experiments did not find any Tokiyasu et al. [Spring8/LEPS] '14; Hashimoto et al [JPARC E15] '15; Vazquez-Doce et al. [AMADEUS] '16 or if found Ichikawa et al [J-PARC E27] '15; Nagae et al [J-PARC E27] '16 may have other interpretation Garcilazo et al '13

J-PARC E15 has found a structure near KNN threshold Sada et al [J-PARC E15] '16 being interpreted as KNN bound state Sekihara et al '16 Binding energy and width of K<sup>-</sup>pp for different chiral and phenomenological calculations using variational, Faddeev or ccCSM+Feshbach methods. Tolos and Fabbietti '20

Work	B [MeV]	Г [MeV]	Method	Type of potential
Barnea et al.	16	41	Variational	Chiral
Dote et al.	17–23	40-70	Variational	Chiral
Dote et al.	14–50	16-38	ccCSM	Chiral
Ikeda et al.	9–16	34-46	Faddeev	Chiral
Bayar et al.	15-30	75-80	Faddeev	Chiral
Sekihara et al.	15–20	70–80	Faddeev	Chiral
Yamazaki et al.	48	61	Variational	phenomenological
Shevchenko et al.	50–70	90-110	Faddeev	Phenomenological
Ikeda et al.	60-95	45-80	Faddeev	Phenomenological
Wycech et al.	40-80	40-85	Variational	phenomenological
Dote et al.	51	32	ccCSM	Phenomenological
Revai et al.	32/ 47–54	50–65	Faddeev	Chiral/phenomenological

Binding energies B~9-95 MeV with decay widths T~16-110 MeV

#### Variety of values due to

- uncertainties in subthreshold extrapolation of the KN interaction

(chiral interactions give lower binding energies than phenomenological ones)
use of variational or Faddeev calculations introduces certain approximations

(full three-body not account for in variational methods, whereas Faddeev calculations deal with separable two-body interactions), and ccCSM combines merits of variational and Faddeev but high computational cost

## **Kaons and Antikaons in matter**

## **KN** interaction in matter

Since no baryonic resonances with positive strangeness exist (assuming no pentaguarks), the KN interaction at low densities can be described by

$$U_K \sim T_{KN-KN} \rho$$
,

This is the so-called low-density theorem or Tp approximation **Different models throughout time** 

#### Nambu-Jona-Lasinio (NJL)

10% change in mass at  $\rho = \rho_0$  Lutz, Steiner and Weise '94

#### **Relativistic mean-field (RMF)**

repulsive potential similar to NJL at  $\rho_0$ Schaffner, Bondor and Mishustin '97

#### Quark-meson-coupling (QMC)

repulsive potential ~20 MeV at  $\rho_0$  Tsushima et al. '98

Unitarized coupled-channel approaches Oset, Ramos '98; Kaiser, Siegel, Weise '95 with SU(3) chiral Lagrangian: 10% or less change in mass at  $\rho = \rho_0$ 



Schaffner-Bielich. Mishustin and Bondorf '97

## **K**N interaction in matter

#### Relativistic mean-field, Quark meson coupling models...

RMF: early works based on mesonexchange picture or the chiral approach for the KN interaction on the mean-field level and fit the parameters to the KN scattering length



#### Phenomenological models

density dependent potentials fitted to kaonic atoms



recent K-N scattering amplitudes from  $\chi$ SU(3) EFT supplemented with phenomenological terms for K-multinucleon interactions: kaonic atoms test densities  $\rho < \rho_0$ 

Friedman and Gal '17

#### **Unitarized theory in matter:**

selfconsistent coupled-channel procedure



The presence of the  $\Lambda(1405)$  resonance makes the in-medium  $\overline{K}N$  interaction very sensitive to the particular details of the many-body treatment.



### K spectral function in matter





Koch '94; Waas and Weise '97; Kaiser et al '97; Oset and Ramos'98; Lutz '98; Schaffner-Bielich et al '00; Ramos and Oset '00; Lutz et al '02; Tolos et al '01 '02; Jido et al '02 '03; Magas et al '05; Tolos et al '06 '08; Lutz et al '08; Cabrera et al '14...

# $\begin{array}{l} \text{Re } U_{\text{K-}}(\rho_0) \thicksim -50 \text{ to } -80 \text{ MeV} \\ \text{Im } U_{\text{K-}}(\rho_0) \gtrsim \text{Re } U_{\text{K-}}(\rho_0) \end{array}$

## **•s-wave** $\overline{K}N$ interaction governed by $\Lambda(1405)$ :

attraction due to modified  $\Lambda(1405)$  in the medium using a self-consistent coupled-channel approach

#### p-wave (and beyond)

contributions to KN interaction: not important for atoms but important for heavy-ion collisions due to large momentum

## Experiments and observations: from atoms to stars



pioneer work of Kaplan and Nelson '86



review: Friedman and Gal '07 '17



### **Kaonic atoms**

Kaonic atoms are atoms in which an electron is replaced by a negatively charged antikaon





best fits to **kaonic atoms** seem to prefer  $U_K \sim -200$  MeV at  $\rho_0$ 

$$\left(-\nabla^2 + m_K^2 + 2m_K U_K(r) + V_{\text{Coul.}}\right)\Psi_K(r) = E_K^2 \Psi_K(r)$$

However, theoretical models based on the chiral  $\overline{KN}$  interaction with many-body effects (albeit an additional moderate phenomenological piece)  $\rightarrow$  moderate attraction for the K<sup>-</sup>-nucleus potential and **kaonic** atoms are also well described!! Kaonic atoms





Hirenzaki et al. '00; Baca, García-Recio and Nieves '00



kaonic data only constrains the K<sup>-</sup> optical potential for  $\rho < 25\%$  (50%)  $\rho_0$ 

### **Strangeness production in HICs**

#### strangeness production in matter

is one of the major research domains in heavy-ion collisions from SIS/GSI to LHC and RHIC up to the future FAIR/NICA/BESII/J-PARC-HI

Iow-energy HICs:Zinyuk (FOPI) '14KaoS/SIS18: K+,K-Foerster et al (KaoS) '07Agakishiev et al (HADES) '13 '14FOPI/SIS18: K+,K- $\phi(1020)$ .HADES/SIS18: K+, K\*(892)<sup>0</sup>,  $\phi(1020)$ ,  $\Xi(1321)$ , Ω,...

#### Early Universe Future LHC Experiments Current RHIC Experiments Current RHIC Experiments Quark-Gluon Plasma Future FAIR Experiments Critical Point Hadron Gas Vacuum UMeV 0 MeV 900 MeV Baryon Chemical Potential

high-energy HICs:Ada<br/>AggSTAR/RHIC: K\*(892)<sup>0</sup>, φ(1020), Ω..Kun<br/>KunALICE/LHC: K\*(892)<sup>0</sup>, φ(1020),  $Σ^{+-}(1385)$ ,  $\Xi(1530)^{0}$ ..Ada<br/>Ada

Adams et al. (STAR) '05 Aggarwal et al (STAR) '11 Kumar et al (STAR) '15 Abelev (ALICE) '15 Adam (ALICE) '16 Badala (ALICE) '17..

#### future:

CBM/FAIR BM@N/NICA BESII/RHIC J-PARC-HI

CBM (FAIR) Physics Book '11 NICA: http://theor0.jinr.ru/twiki-cgi/view/NICA Aggarwal et al (BES STAR White Paper) '10 JPARC: http://silver.j-parc.jp/sako/white-paper-v1.21.pdf-HI

#### credit: DOE

## K<sup>-</sup> and K+ at high $\mu_{B}$ (FOPI/HADES @ SIS18)

**KaoS:** from systematics of the experimental results and detailed comparison to transport model calculations<sub>150</sub> Foerster et al (KaoS) '07

• K<sup>+</sup> probe a soft EoS

• K<sup>+</sup> and K<sup>-</sup> yields are coupled  $NN \rightarrow K^+YN$ by strangeness exchange:  $K^-N \Leftrightarrow \pi Y$ 

- K<sup>+</sup> and K<sup>-</sup> exhibit different freeze-out conditions
- repulsion for K+ and attraction for K- seemed to be confirmed

but, for example, what is the role of  $\phi \rightarrow K^+ K^-$ ?

#### New results from **HADES** and **FOPI** indicate

Zinyuk et al (FOPI)'14; Gasik et al (FOPI) '16; Piasecki et al (FOPI) '16; Adamczewski-Musch et al (HADES) '17,...

- K<sup>+</sup> in-medium potential is repulsive: U<sub>KN</sub> (ρ<sub>0</sub>)≈ 20...40 MeV
- K<sup>-</sup> from Φ decay wash out the effects of the potential (spectra and flow!!)
- separate direct kaons ( $\rightarrow$  COSY)/elementary reactions
- more systematic, high statistic data on K<sup>-</sup> production necessary



conclusions from Leifels-SQM2017

Recent results on kaon and antikaon production in HiCs using a PHSD model with in-medium strange mesons compared to KaoS, FOPI and HADES experimental data

- The nuclear effects on (anti)kaon are more prominent in the collision of large nuclei
- (Anti)kaon production is (enhanced)suppressed due to (broadening of spectral function)repulsive kaon potential
- (Anti)kaon spectrum becomes (softer)harder in nuclear matter, whereas y-distribution (shrinks)broadens
- Different behaviour of v1/v2 for antikaons and kaons due to the attractive vs repulsive character of the interaction with nucleons
- A moderate EoS (K~300 MeV) reproduces the experimental HiC data better



Song et al '21

## Kaon condensation in neutron stars

Kaplan and Nelson '86 Brown and Bethe '94







#### **Kaon condensation?**

The condition  $\mu_{e-} \ge m^*_{K-}$  for a given  $\rho_c$ implies that  $m_{K-} - m^*_{K-} (\rho_c) \approx 200, 300$ MeV. However, unitarized schemes based (MeV) on meson-exchange models or chiral Lagrangians predict a moderate attraction in nuclear matter 400

Lutz '98 Ramos and Oset '00 Tolos, Polls, Ramos '01 Tolos, Ramos and Oset '06 Tolos, Cabrera and Ramos '08 Cabrera, Tolos, Aichelin and Bratkovskaya'14

#### Therefore, kaon condensation seems very unlikely within unitarized schemes





A lot of experimental and theoretical effort has been invested to understand the antikaon-nucleon interaction, that is governed by the presence of the  $\Lambda(1405)$ 

The interest has been focused in unveiling the nature of  $\Lambda(1405)$ , and the consequences for the formation of  $\overline{K}NN$  bound states

Kaons and antikaons in matter have been also investigated, in connection to kaonic atoms, creation and propagation of kaons/antikaons in nuclear collisions and kaon condensation in neutron stars











