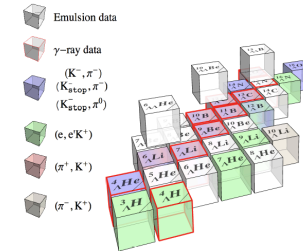


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**Reactions:**



**Physics aspects**

- Hypernuclear structure
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# Hyperon interactions: the state-of-the-art and applications

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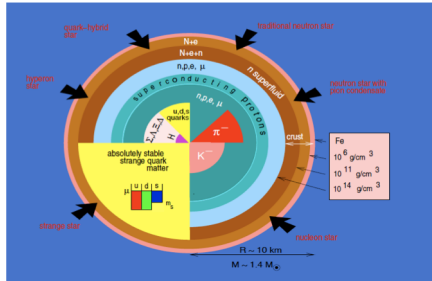


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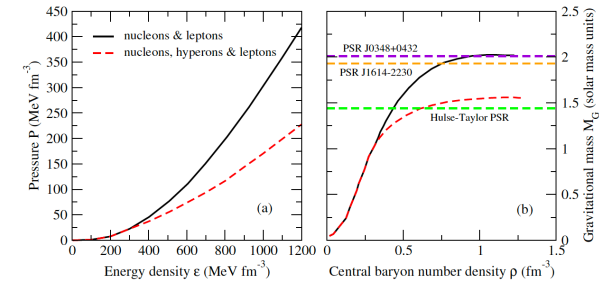


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# Outline



- Hyperons and where to find them
- YN and YY interactions
- Hypernuclei
- Hyperons in matter
- Hyperons and Neutron Stars
- The Hyperon Puzzle
- Present and Future

# Hyperons and where to find them

## On Earth: Hypernuclei

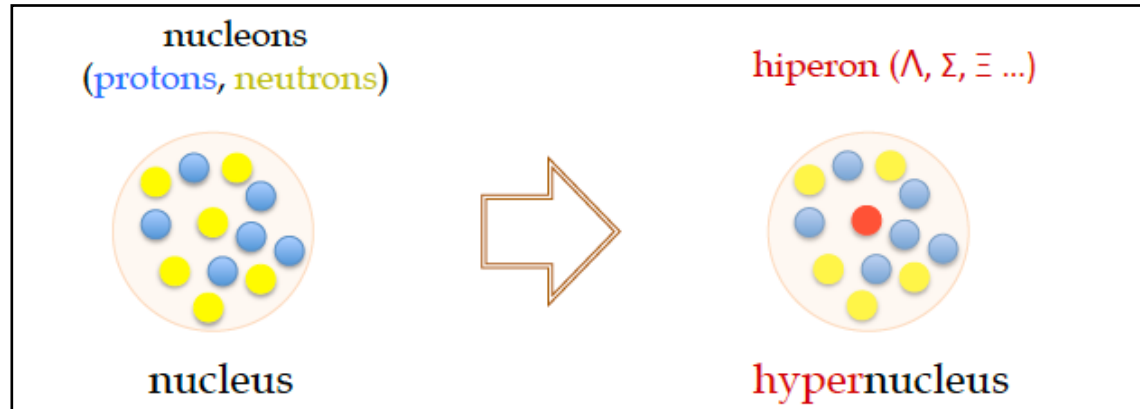
A **hyperon** is a baryon containing one or more strange quarks

Hyperon	Quarks	$I(J^P)$	Mass (MeV)
$\Lambda$	uds	$0(1/2^+)$	1115
$\Sigma^+$	uus	$1(1/2^+)$	1189
$\Sigma^0$	uds	$1(1/2^+)$	1193
$\Sigma^-$	dds	$1(1/2^+)$	1197
$\Xi^0$	uss	$1/2(1/2^+)$	1315
$\Xi^-$	dss	$1/2(1/2^+)$	1321
$\Omega^-$	sss	$0(3/2^+)$	1672

credit: I. Vidana

The **study of hypernucleus** allows for

- new spectroscopy
- information on strong and weak interactions between hyperons and nucleons



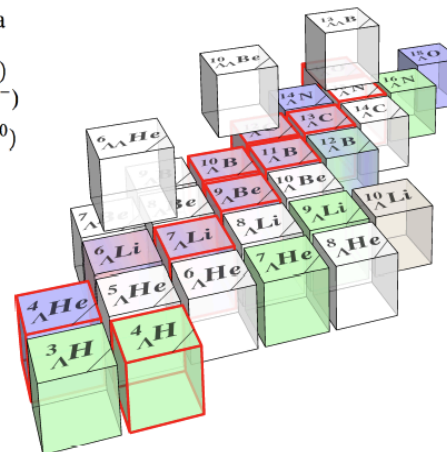
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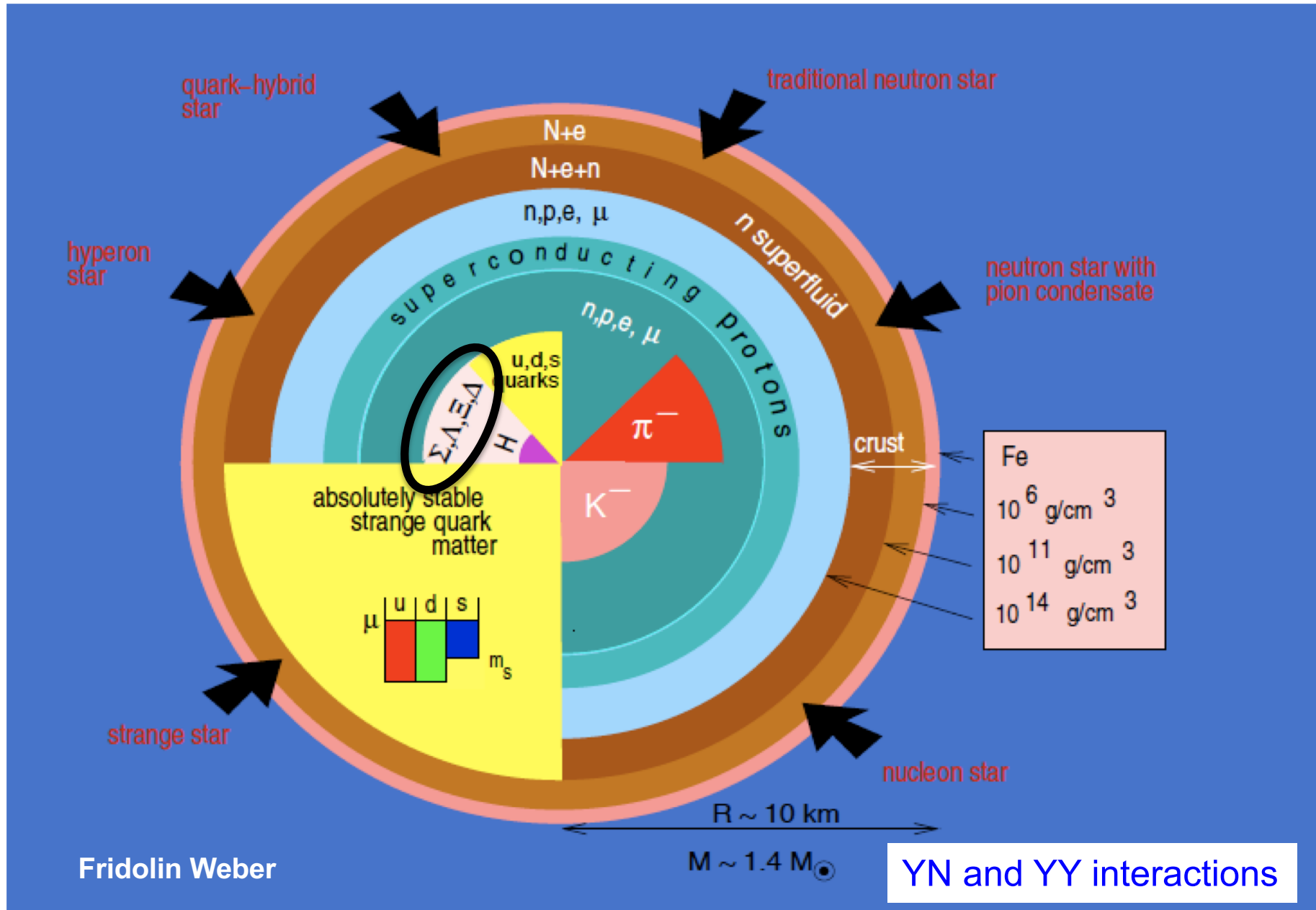


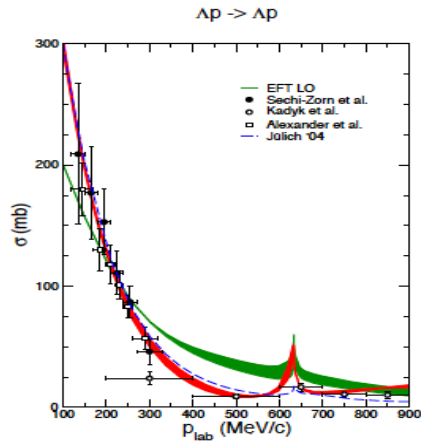
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credit: A. Perez-Obiol

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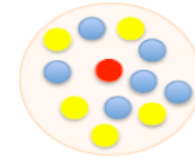




# YN and YY interactions

- Study strangeness in nuclear physics
- Provide input for hypernuclear physics and astrophysics

hiperon ( $\Lambda, \Sigma, \Xi \dots$ )



hypernucleus

Scarce YN scattering data due to the short life of hyperons and the low-density beam fluxes

$\Lambda N$  and  $\Sigma N$ : < 50 data points

$\Xi N$  very few events

$NN$ : > 5000 data  
for  $E_{\text{lab}} < 350$  MeV

Data from hypernuclei:

- more than 40  $\Lambda$ -hypernuclei ( $\Lambda N$  attractive)
- few  $\Lambda \Lambda$ -hypernuclei ( $\Lambda \Lambda$  weak attraction)
- few  $\Xi$ -hypernuclei ( $\Xi N$  attractive)
- evidence of 1  $\Sigma$ -hypernuclei ? ( $\Sigma N$  repulsive)

Data on femtoscopy!

# Theoretical approaches to YN and YY

- **Meson exchange models (Juelich/Nijmegen models)**

To build YN and YY from a NN meson-exchange model imposing  $SU(3)_{\text{flavor}}$  symmetry

**Juelich:** Holzenkamp, Holinde, Speth '89; Haidenbauer and Meißner '05

**Nijmegen:** Maesen, Rijken, de Swart '89; Rijken, Nagels and Yamamoto '10

- **Chiral effective field theory approach (Juelich-Bonn-Munich group)**

To build YN and YY from a chiral effective Lagrangian similarly to NN interaction

**Juelich-Bonn-Munich:** Polinder, Haidenbauer and Meißner '06; Haidenbauer, Petschauer, Kaiser, Meißner, Nogga and Weise '13

Kohnno '10; Kohnno '18

- **Quark model potentials**

To build YN and YY within constituent quark models

Fujiwara, Suzuki, Nakamoto '07

Garcilazo, Fernandez-Carames and Valcarce '07 '10

- **$V_{\text{low } k}$  approach**

To calculate a “universal” effective low-momentum potential for YN and YY using RG techniques

Schaefer, Wagner, Wambach, Kuo and Brown '06

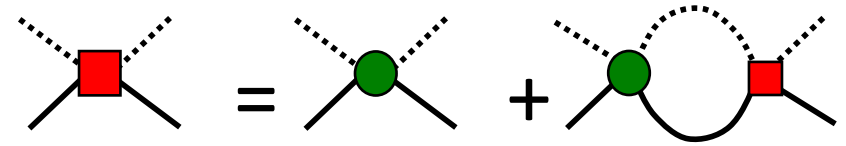
- **Lattice calculations (HALQCD/NPLQCD)**

To solve YN and YY interactions on the lattice

**HALQCD:** Ishii, Aoki, Hatsuda '07; Aoki, Hatsuda and Ishii '10; Aoki et al '12

**NPLQCD:** Beane, Orginos and Savage '11; Beane et al '12

# $\Lambda N$ and $\Sigma N$ scattering

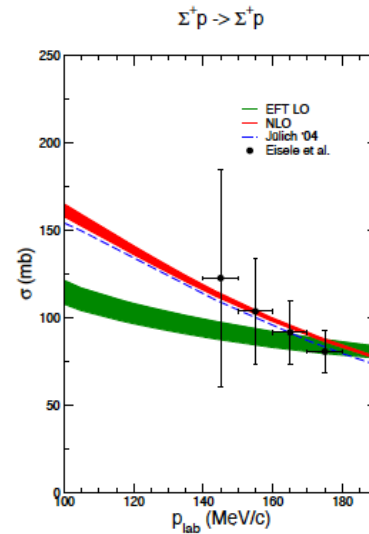
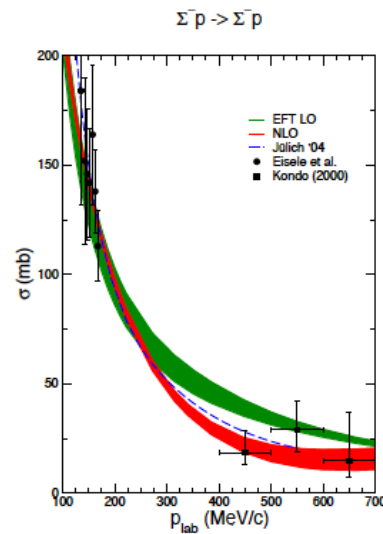
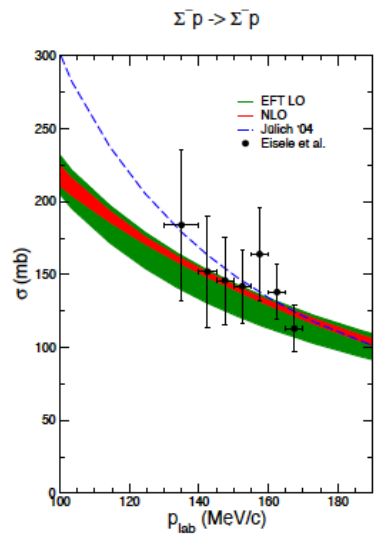
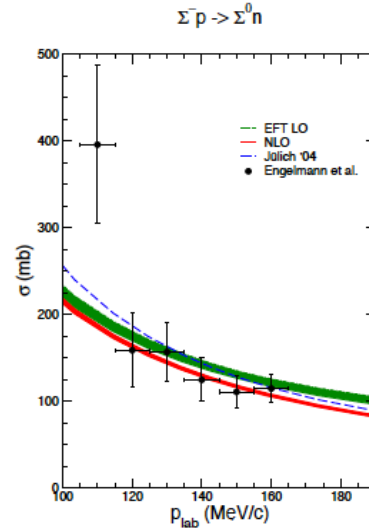
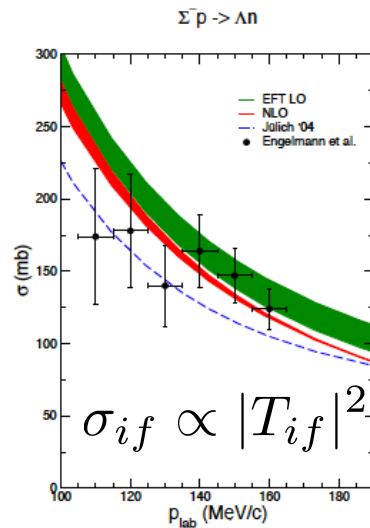
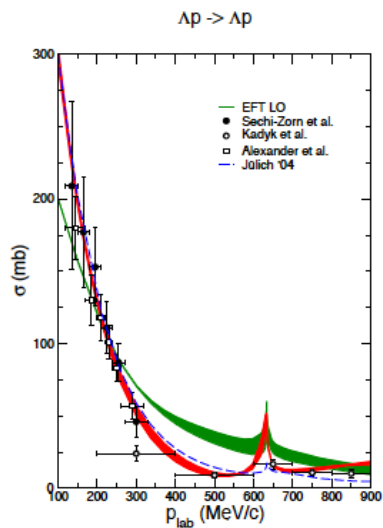


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NLO: J.H., N. Kaiser, et al., NPA 915 (2013) 24

Jülich '04: J.H., U.-G. Meißner, PRC 72 (2005) 044005

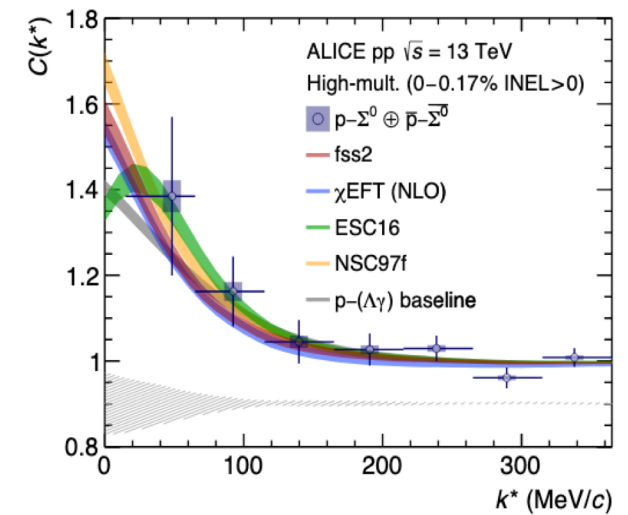
$$T = V + V \frac{1}{E_0 - H_0 + i\eta} T$$



New results from  
femtoscscopy for  $\Sigma^0 p$

$$C(k^*) = \mathcal{N} \times \frac{N_{\text{same}}(k^*)}{N_{\text{mixed}}(k^*)}$$

$$k^* = \frac{1}{2} \times |\mathbf{p}_1^* - \mathbf{p}_2^*|$$




S. Acharya et al. 2019

# Hypernuclei

## $\Lambda$ hypernuclei

PRODUCTION REACTIONS

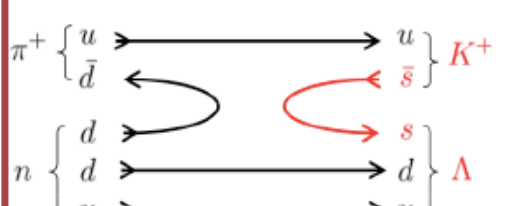
Strangeness exchange:  $n(K^-, \pi^-)\Lambda$   
 $p(K^-, \pi^\pm)\Sigma^\mp$  CERN, BNL, KEK  
FINUDA@DAPHNE



$K^- + {}^{12}\text{C} \rightarrow \pi^- + {}^{\Lambda}_{12}\text{C}$

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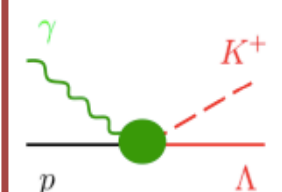
Associated production:  $n(\pi^+, K^+)\Lambda$  BNL, KEK



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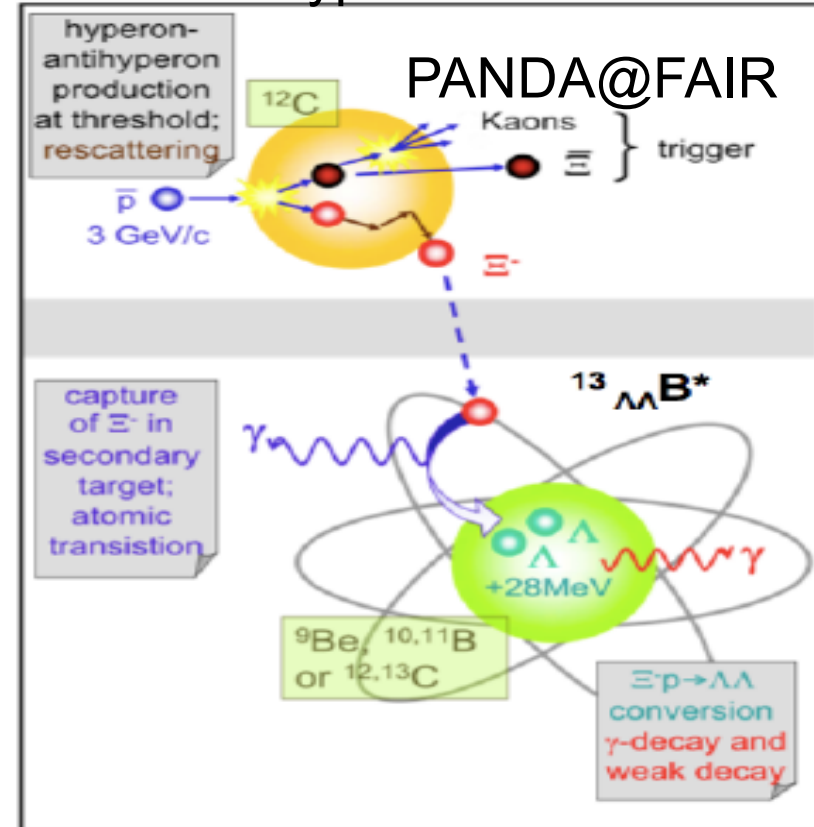
Electroproduction:  $p(\gamma, K^+)\Lambda$  Jlab, MAMI-C  
 $p(e, e'K^+)\Lambda$



$e + {}^{12}\text{C} \rightarrow e' + K^+ + {}^{\Lambda}_{12}\text{C}$

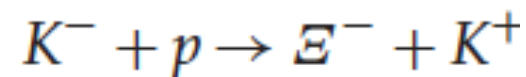
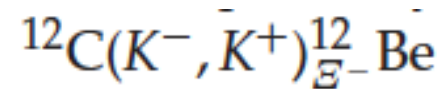
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## Double $\Lambda$ hypernuclei



credit: A. Sanchez-Lorente

Also  $\Xi$  hypernuclei @ BNL, KEK










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# Reactions:


 Emulsion data

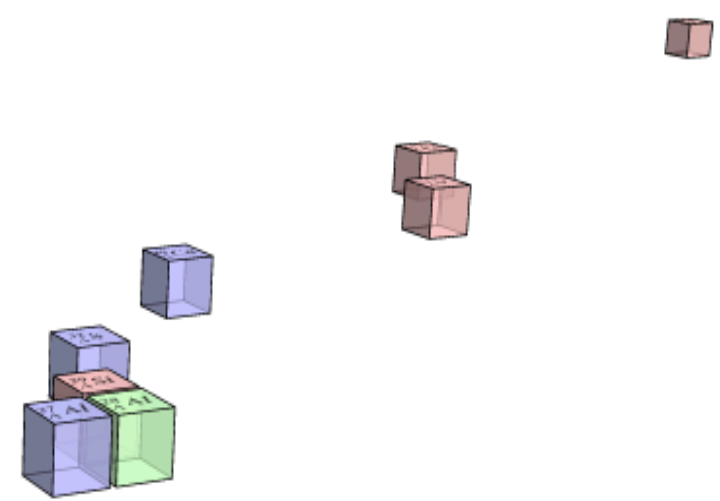
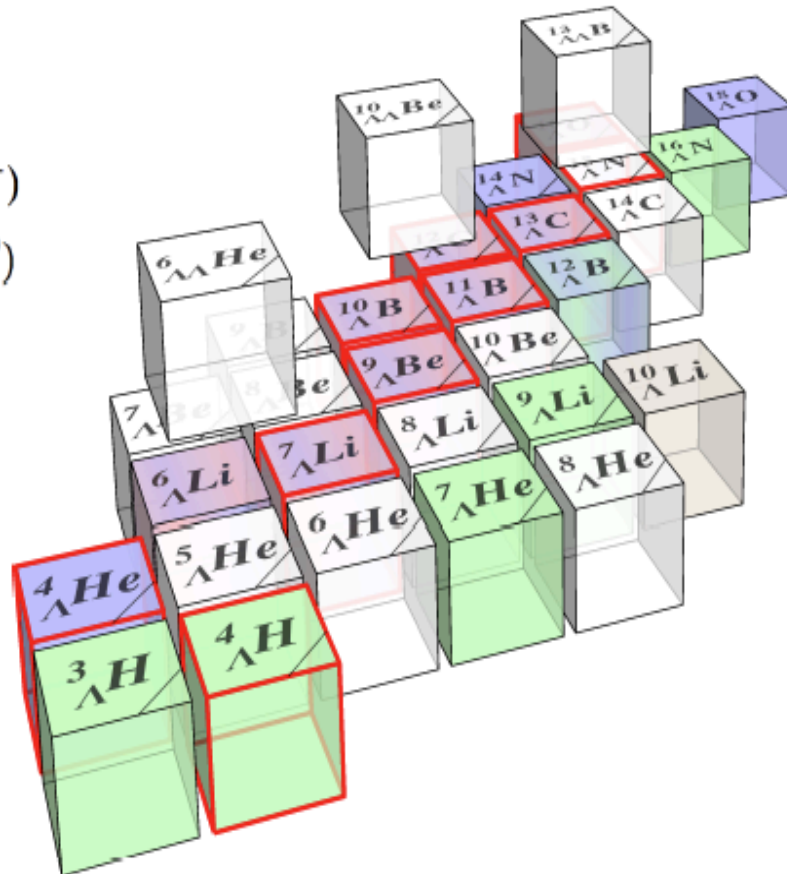
  $\gamma$ -ray data

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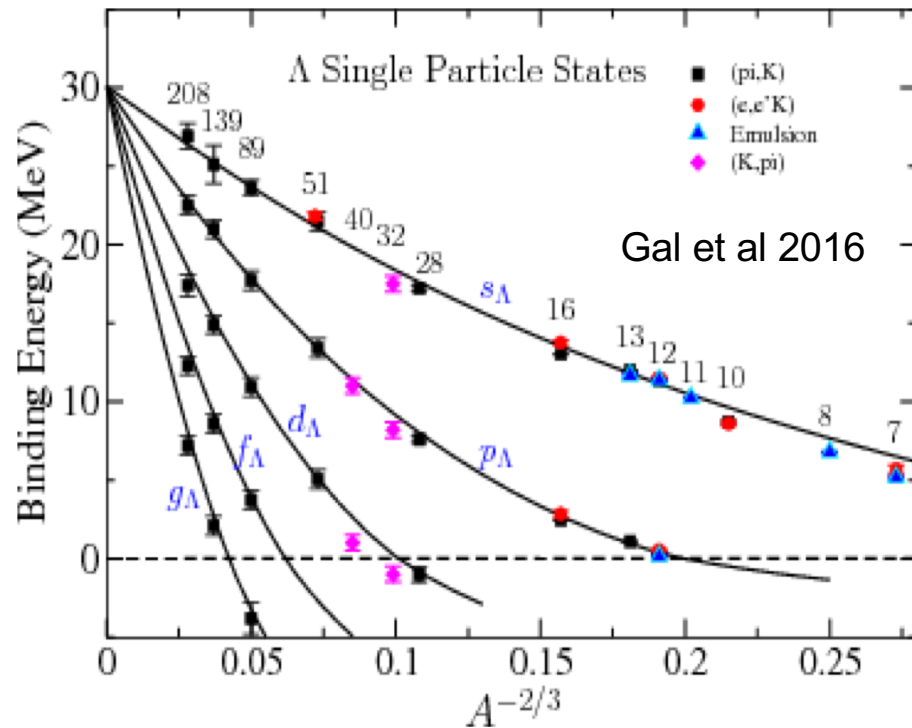


Physics that can be addressed:

- YN and YY interactions
- YN  $\rightarrow$  NN weak decay
- **Hypernuclear structure**

credit: A. Perez-Obiol

# Binding energy of $\Lambda$ hypernuclei

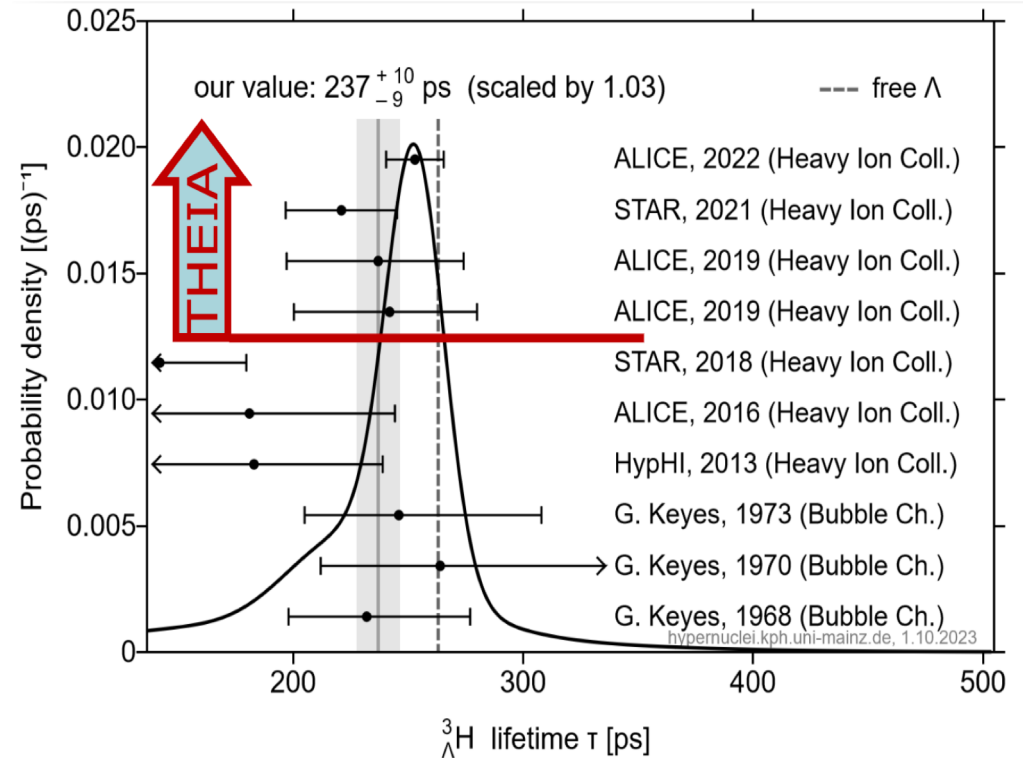


Binding energy of different hypernuclei as function of the mass number

Binding energy saturates at about -30 MeV for large nuclei

Single-particle model reproduces the data quite well Gal et al 2016

# Hypertriton lifetime puzzle



Expected  $\tau(^3_\Lambda\text{H}) = \tau(\Lambda)$

$\Leftrightarrow$  observed:  $\tau(^3_\Lambda\text{H}) < \tau(\Lambda)$

Conflicting measurements by STAR(2018) and ALICE(2019) of the hypertriton lifetime triggered the revived experimental and theoretical interest. Recent data solved the puzzle!

# Hyperons in matter

## $\Lambda$ and $\Sigma$ in dense matter

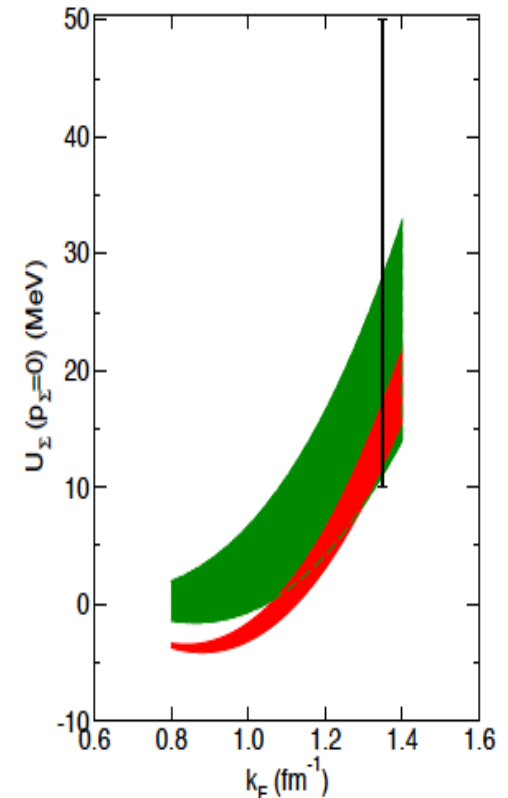
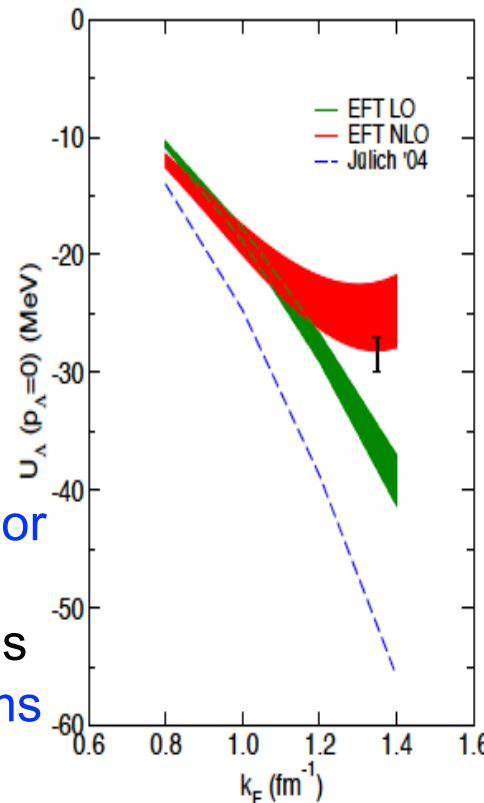
$$k_F = 1.35 \text{ fm}^{-1} (\rho_0 = 0.166 \text{ fm}^{-3})$$

$$G = V + V \frac{Q_{\text{pauli}}}{E_0 - H_0} G$$

	EFT LO	EFT NLO
$\Lambda$ [MeV]	550 ... 700	500 ... 650
$U_\Lambda(0)$	-38.0 ... -34.4	-28.2 ... -22.4
$U_\Sigma(0)$	28.0 ... 11.1	17.3 ... 11.9

- Empirical value of  $\Lambda$  binding in nuclear matter  $\sim 27\text{-}30$  MeV

-  $\Sigma N$  ( $I=3/2$ ): discussion about repulsion or attraction, where  ${}^3S_1$ - ${}^3D_1$  component is decisive. A repulsive  ${}^3S_1$ - ${}^3D_1$  interaction is chosen in accordance to data on  $\Sigma^-$  atoms and  $(\pi^-, K^+)$  inclusive spectra for  $\Sigma^-$  formation in heavy nuclei as well as lattice\* indications

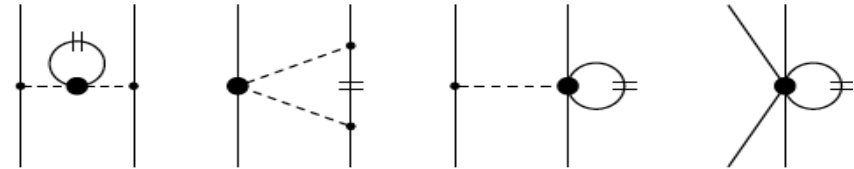


Haidenbauer and Meißner, NPA 936 (2015) 29

\* Nemura et al EPJ Web of Conferences 175 (2018) 05030

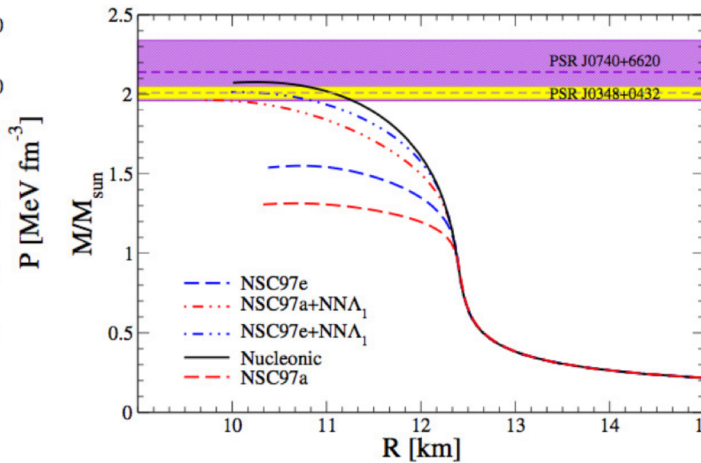
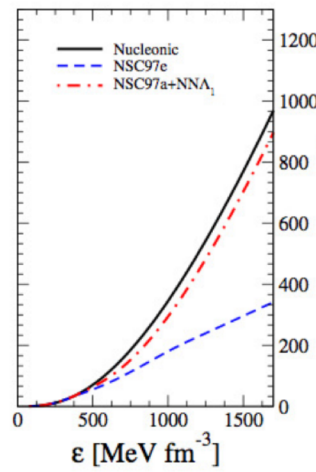
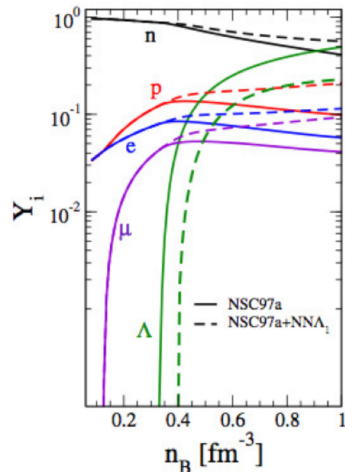
# $\Lambda$ in dense matter: including three-body forces

Three-body forces are required to reproduce few-nucleon binding energies, scattering observables and nuclear saturation in non-relativistic many-body approaches



credit: Haidenbauer

## $\Lambda$ in dense matter in $\chi$ EFT: Hyperon puzzle?

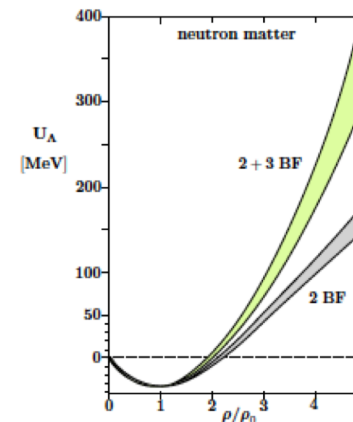
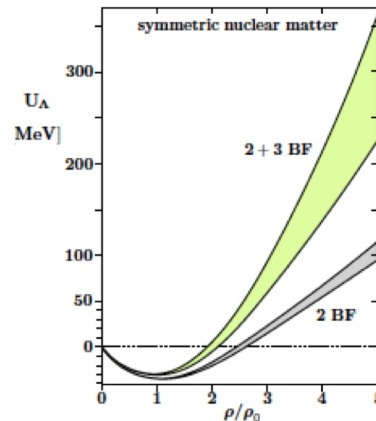
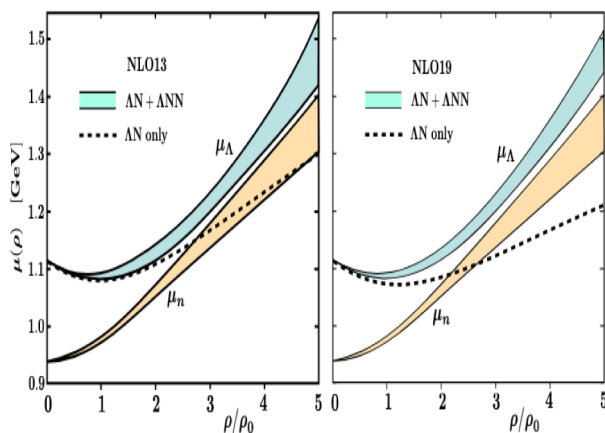


NS matter as mixture of  $n, p, e, \mu, \Lambda$  in  $\beta$ -equilibrium

$\chi$ EFT (NN, NNN,  $N\Lambda$ ) + meson-exchange (NY)

$\Lambda$  concentration is small but still present in  $2M_{\odot}$  NS

Logoteta, Vidana and Bombaci EPJA 55 (2019) 207



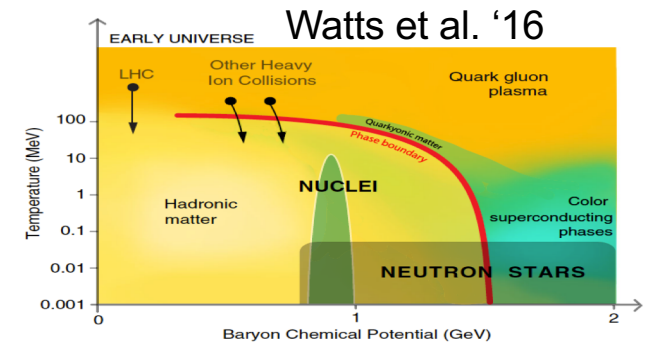
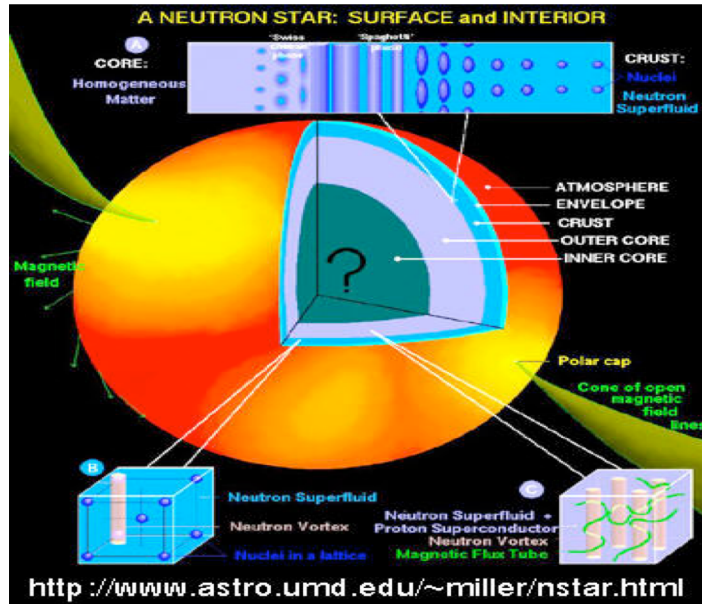
Only symmetric and neutron matter

$\chi$ EFT NN, NNN, NY, NNY

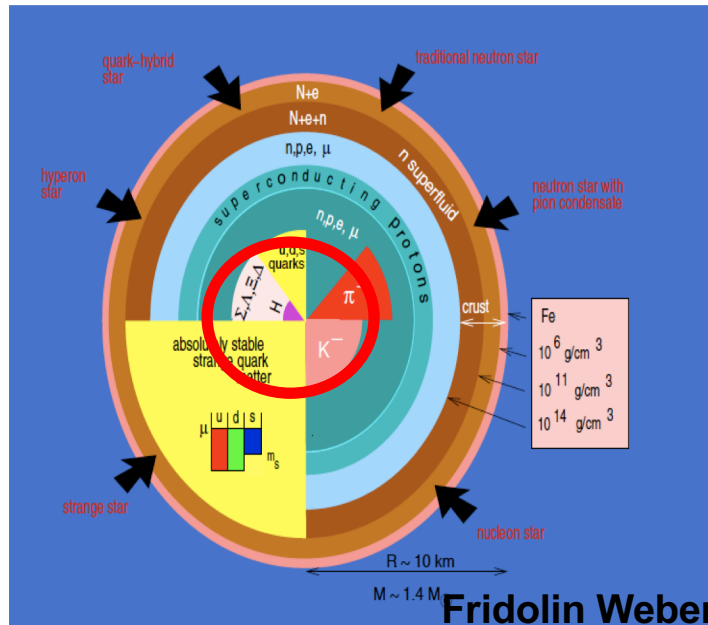
$\Lambda$  in NS energetically unfavorable, but only neutrons and  $\Lambda$  are considered

Gerstung, Kaiser and Weise EPJA 56 (2020) 175

# Hyperons and Neutron Stars



- produced in **core collapse supernova explosions**, usually observed as **pulsars**
- usually refer to compact objects with  $M \approx 1-2 M_{\odot}$  and  $R \approx 10-12 \text{ Km}$
- extreme densities up to  $5-10 \rho_0$  ( $n_0 = 0.16 \text{ fm}^{-3} \Rightarrow \rho_0 = 3 \cdot 10^{14} \text{ g/cm}^3$ )
- magnetic field :  $B \sim 10^{8..16} \text{ G}$
- temperature:  $T \sim 10^{6..11} \text{ K}$
- observations: **masses, radius, gravitational waves...**



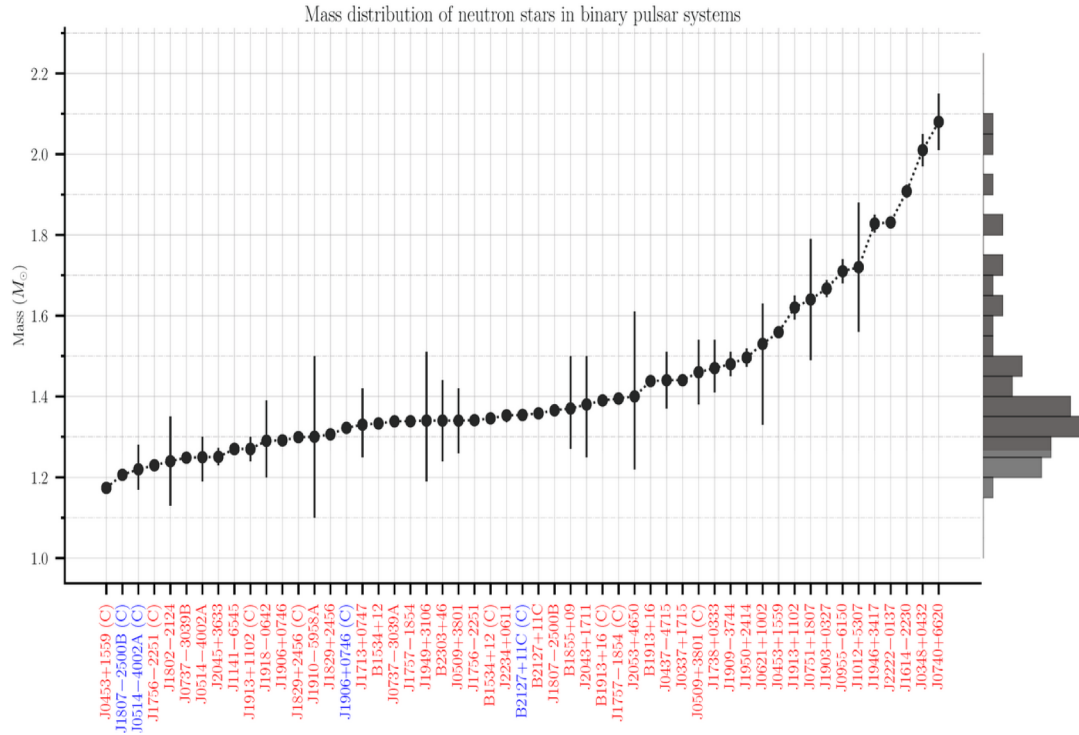
# Masses

credit: P. Freire

# Observations

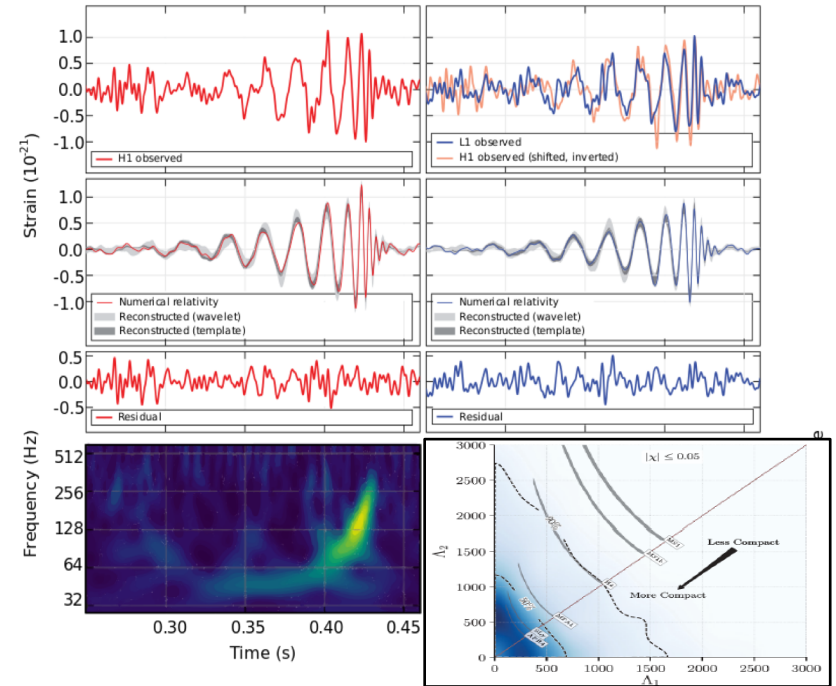
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Abbot et al. (LIGO-VIRGO) '17 '18



Hanford, Washington (H1)

Livingston, Louisiana (L1)



# Radius

**NICER  
PSR J0030+0451**

$R_{eq} = 13.02_{-1.06}^{+1.24}$  km  
 $M = 1.44_{-0.14}^{+0.15} M_{\odot}$   
 Miller et al. '19

$R_{eq} = 12.71_{-1.19}^{+1.14}$  km  
 $M = 1.34_{-0.16}^{+0.15} M_{\odot}$   
 Riley et al. '19

**NICER  
PSR J0740+6620**

$R_{eq} = 13.71_{-1.5}^{+2.6}$  km  
 $M = 2.08_{-0.07}^{+0.07} M_{\odot}$   
 Miller et al. '21

$R_{eq} = 12.39_{-0.98}^{+1.30}$  km  
 $M = 2.072_{-0.066}^{+0.067} M_{\odot}$   
 Riley et al. '21

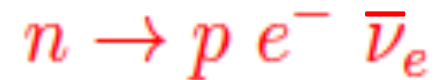
..also GW190425, GW190814

# What about Hyperons?

First proposed in 1960 by  
Ambartsumyan & Saakyan

Hyperon	Mass (MeV/c <sup>2</sup> )
$\Lambda$	$1115.57 \pm 0.06$
$\Sigma^+$	$1189.37 \pm 0.06$
$\Sigma^0$	$1192.55 \pm 0.10$
$\Sigma^-$	$1197.50 \pm 0.05$
$\Xi^0$	$1314.80 \pm 0.8$
$\Xi^-$	$1321.34 \pm 0.14$
$\Omega^-$	$1672.43 \pm 0.14$

Traditionally neutron stars were modeled by a uniform fluid of neutron rich matter in  $\beta$ -equilibrium



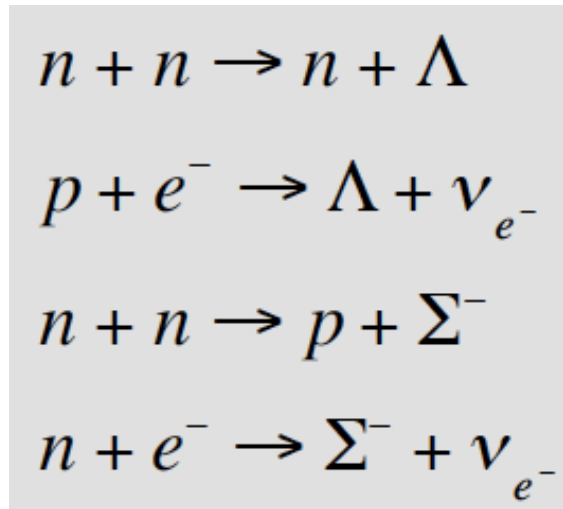
but more exotic degrees of freedom are expected, such as **hyperons**, due to:

- high value of density at the center and
- the rapid increase of the nucleon chemical potential with density

**Hyperons might be present at  $n \sim (2-3)n_0$  !!!**

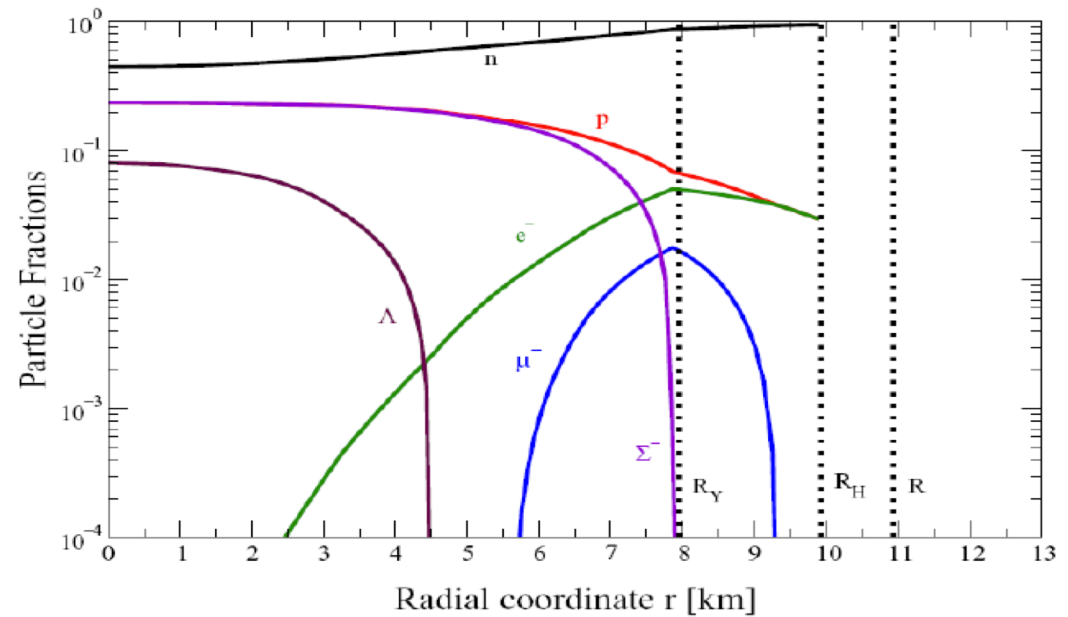
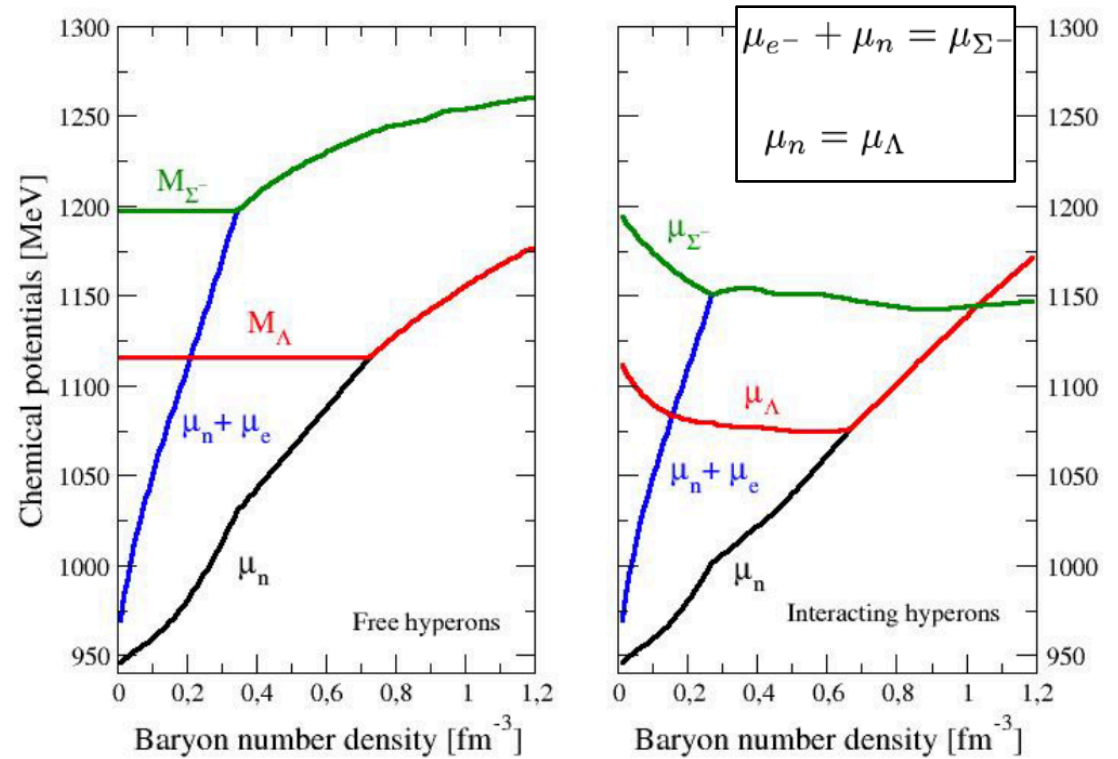
# $\beta$ -stable hyperonic matter

$\mu_N$  is large enough to make  $N \rightarrow Y$  favorable



$$\mu_i = b_i \mu_n - q_i \mu_e$$

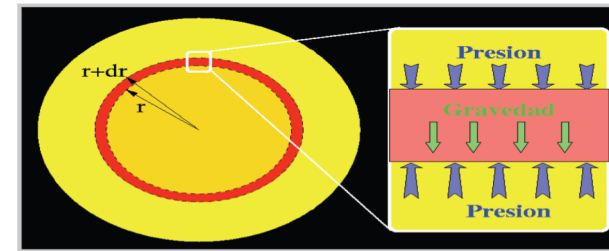
$$\sum_i x_i q_i = 0$$



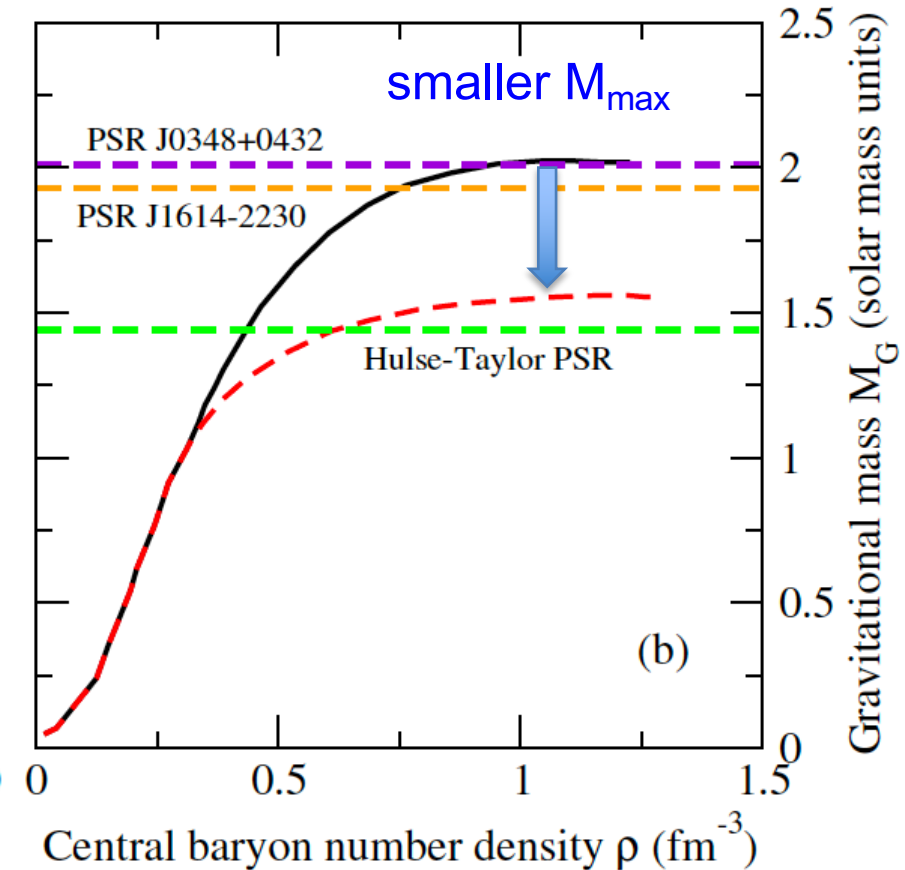
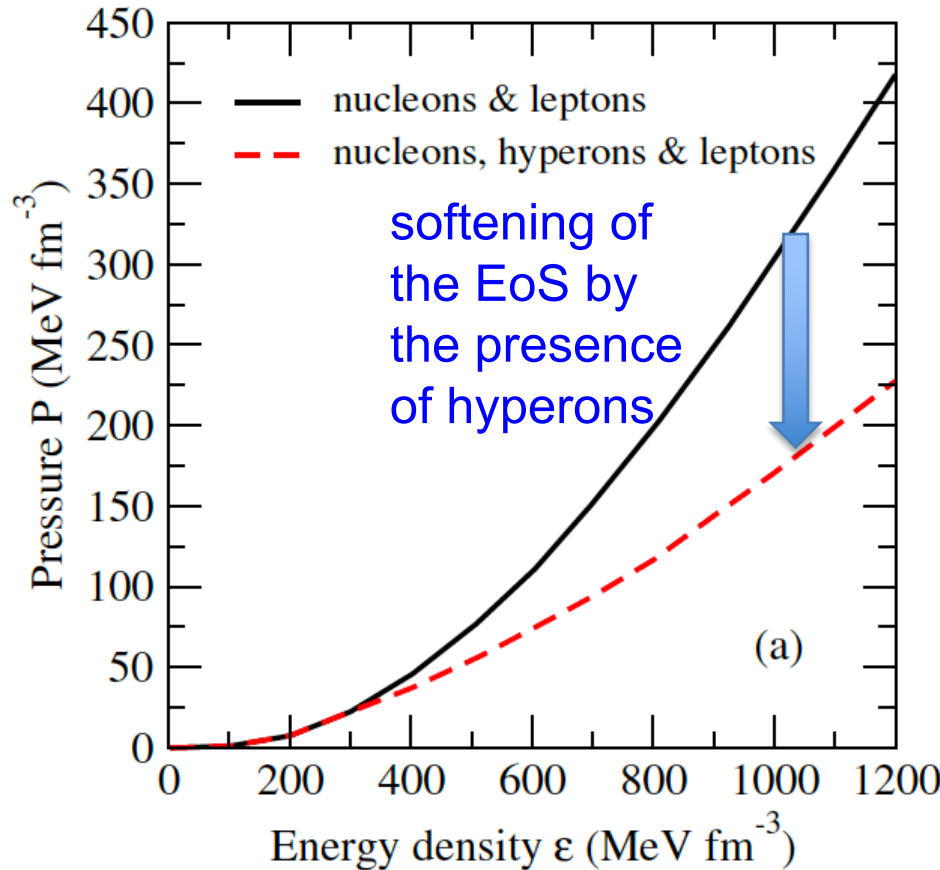
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# Inclusion of hyperons....



credit:  
Dani P. Page



..... induces a strong softening of the EoS  
that leads to  $M_{\text{max}} < 2M_{\odot}$



Chatterjee and Vidana '16  
Vidana '18

## The Hyperon Puzzle

# The Hyperon Puzzle



## Scarce experimental information:

- data from several single  $\Lambda$ - and few  $\Xi$ - hypernuclei, and few double  $\Lambda$  hypernuclei
- few YN scattering data ( $\sim 50$  points) due to difficulties in preparing hyperon beams and no hyperon targets available
- YN data from femtoscopy

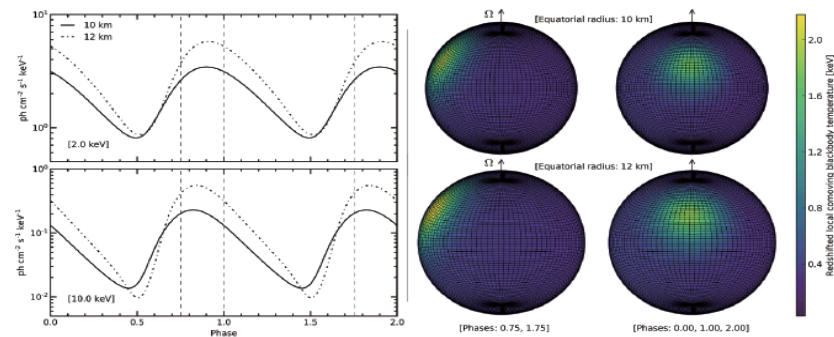
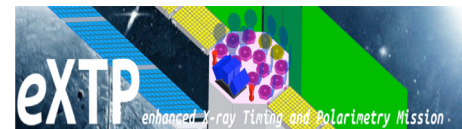
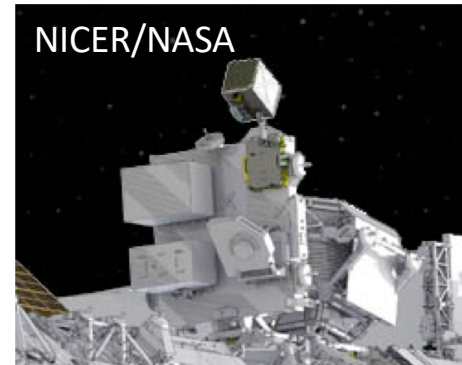
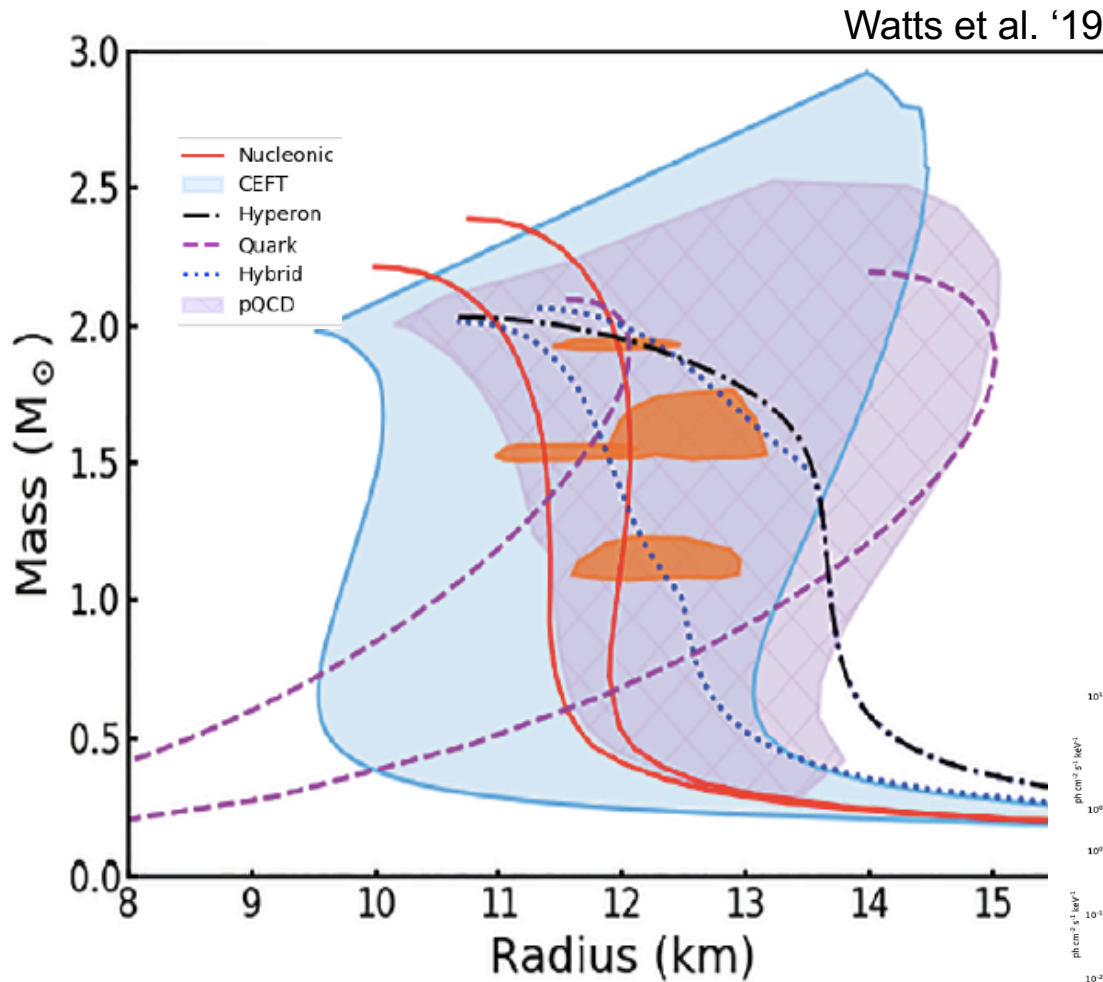
The presence of hyperons in neutron stars is energetically **probable** as density increases.

However, it induces a strong softening of the EoS that leads to **maximum neutron star masses  $< 2M_{\odot}$**

## Solution?

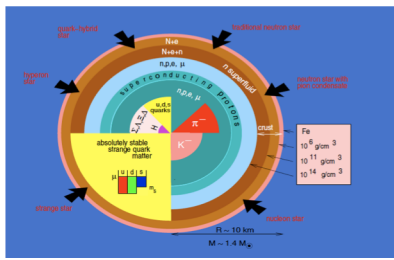
- **stiffer YN and YY interactions**
- **hyperonic 3-body forces**
- push of Y onset by  $\Delta$ -isobars or meson condensates
- quark matter below Y onset
- dark matter, modified gravity theories...

# Space missions to study the interior of NS

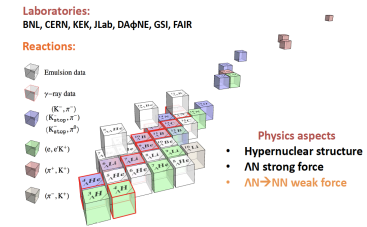


Constraints from pulse profile modelling of rotation-powered pulsars with eXTP

**and multimessenger astronomy!**



# Present and Future



A lot of experimental and theoretical effort has been invested to understand **hyperon-nucleon and hyperon-hyperon interactions**

**Hyperon-nucleon and hyperon-hyperon interactions** are crucial for describing **hypernuclei** and understanding long-standing problems, such as **the hypertriton lifetime puzzle**

The presence of hyperons in neutron stars is energetically probable as density increases. However, it induces a strong softening of the equation of state that leads to **maximum neutron star masses  $< 2M_{\odot}$** . This is known as **The Hyperon Puzzle**

The **future** of hyperon physics relies on **particle and nuclear experiments as well as X-ray and multimessenger astronomy**





The online service CompOSE provides data tables for different state of the art equations of state (EoS) ready for further usage in astrophysical applications, nuclear physics and beyond.

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