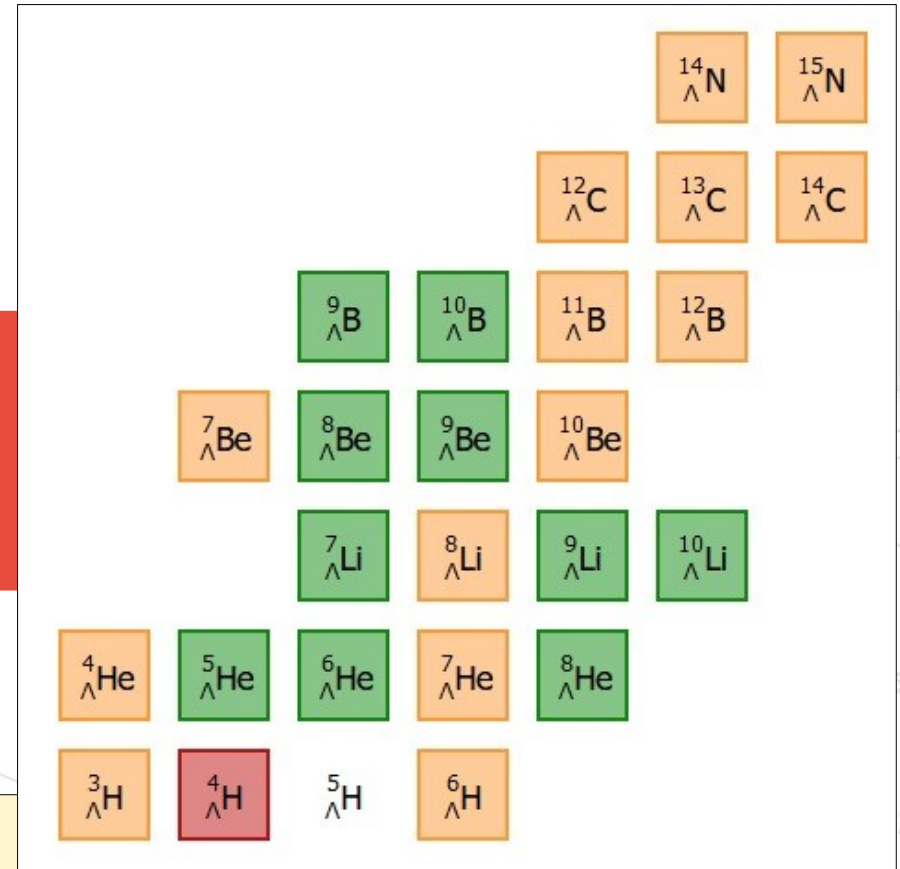




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Hypernuclear Database



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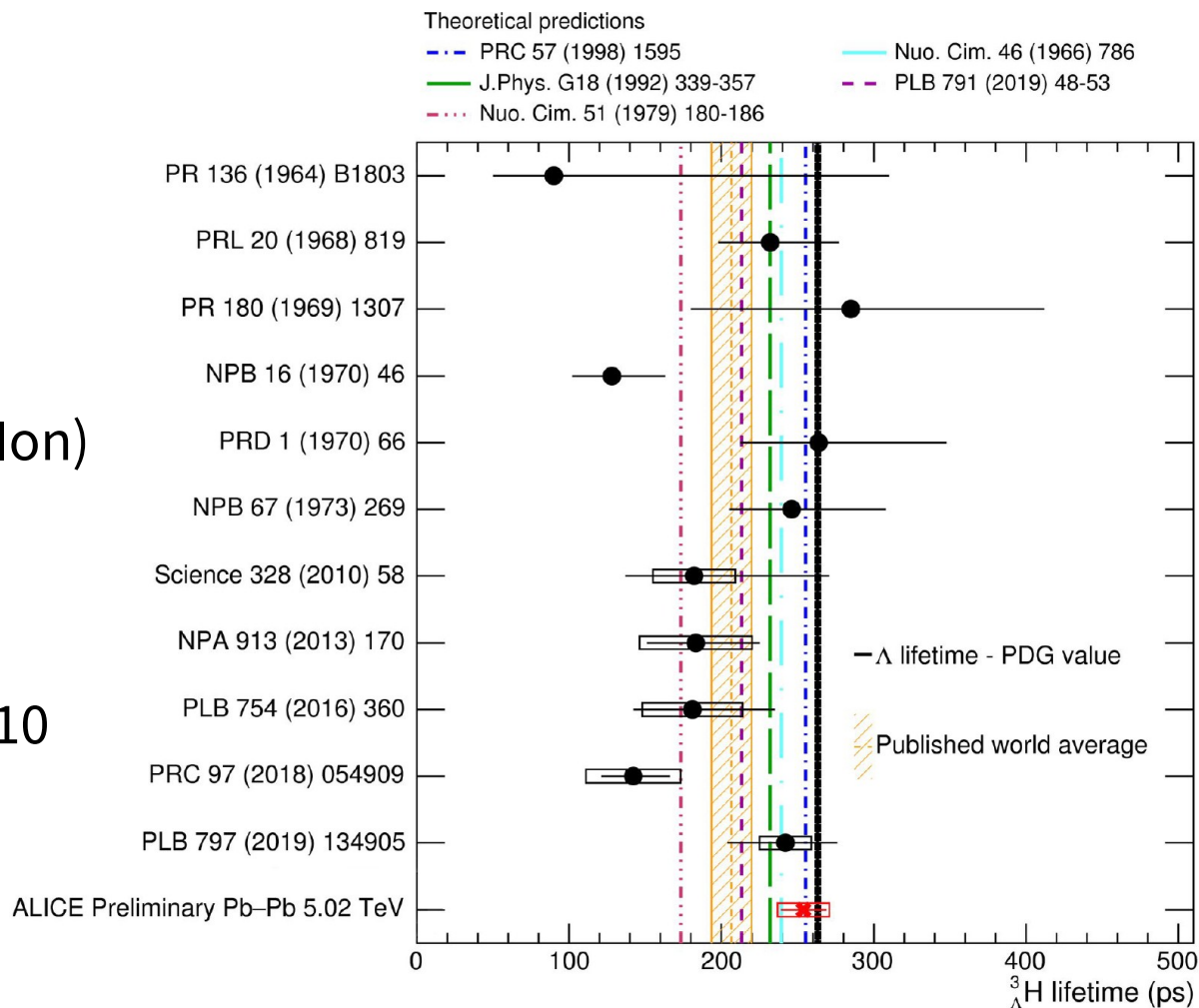
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1. Why a Database – Hypertriton Lifetime

Data situation:

- history of almost 60 years
- different exp. approaches (Emulsion, Bubble Ch., Heavy Ion)
- asymmetric errors
- missing systematics before 2010
- large progress in last years
- conflicts within the data?



F. Mazzaschi, "Status of the hypertriton lifetime from ALICE"

1. Our Goal for a Database

Collect data:

- complete collection of hypernuclear data
- include methods, references, ...

Public availability:

- accessible to everyone via web
- interactive user interface to assess individual data sets
- generate downloadable content (plots, ideograms, datasets, refs.)

Combine data:

- evaluate averages
- estimate and treat errors (scalings, corrections?)

Expert Group

- overseeing the project

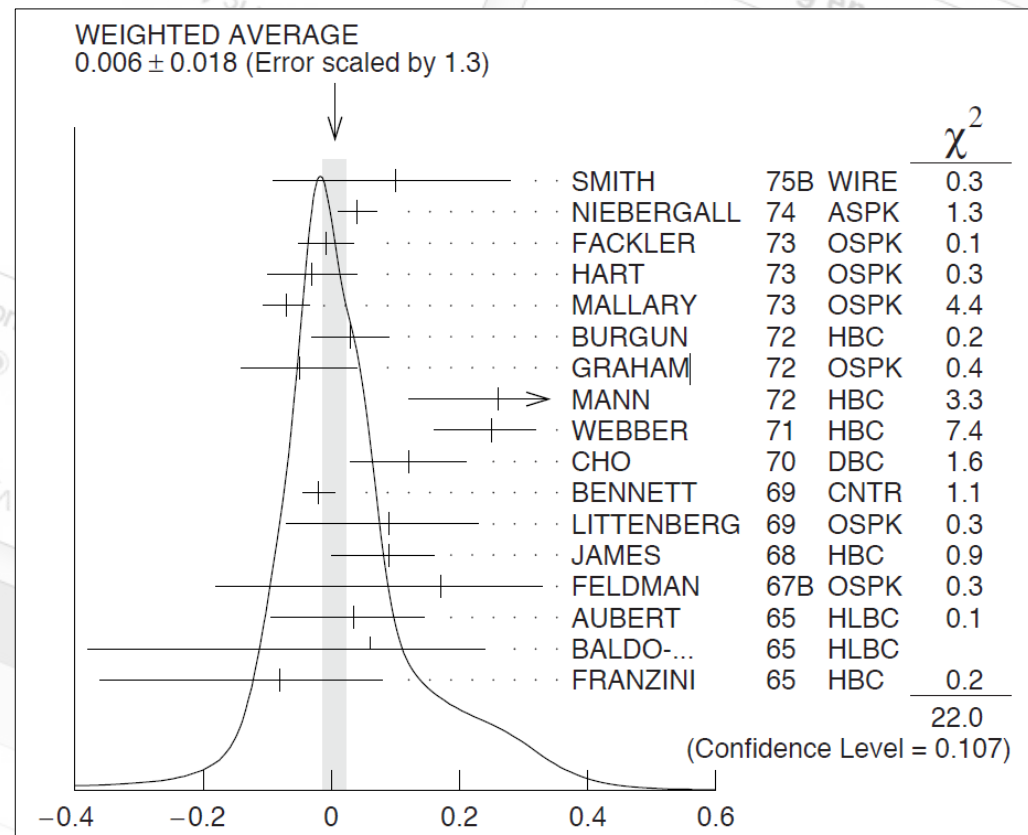
1. Key Feature: Ideograms

What an ideogram consists of:

- visualisation of experimental data (and the errors!)
- resulting average
- probability curve

→ within seconds:

- overview on data situation
- spot discrepancies



PDG: „A typical ideogram“,
Review of Particle Physics

1. Content of the Database

Properties of a hypernucleus inside the data base:

1. binding energy

2. excitation energies

3. lifetime

4. branching ratios
(planned)

5. non-strange core

consist of published measurements

← literature values, mass and lifetime

1. Where we are so far

- basic user interface exists
- averaging procedures are implemented
- ideograms can be generated and downloaded
- url on university server¹ (newest version offline)
- collected data for hypertriton's lifetime and binding energy

¹: <https://www.blogs.uni-mainz.de/fb08-nuclear-physics/research/hypernuclei-database/>

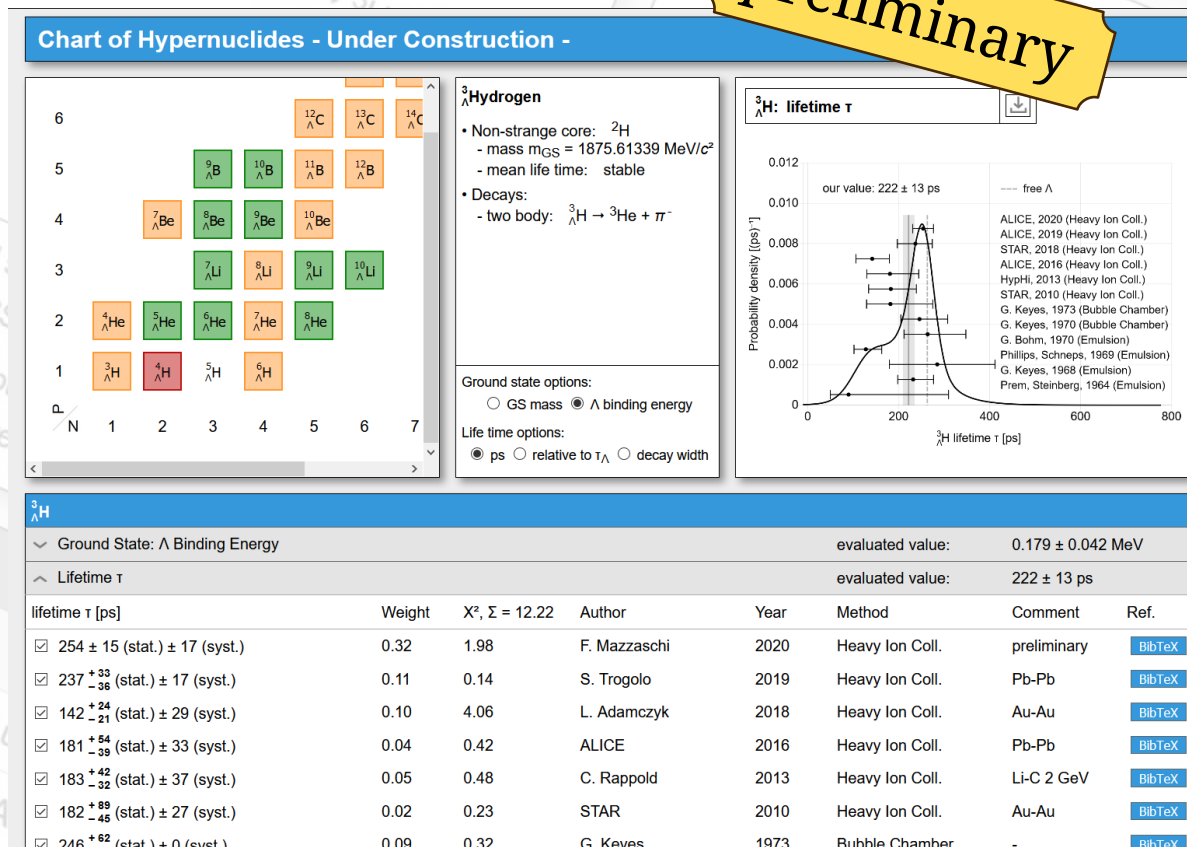
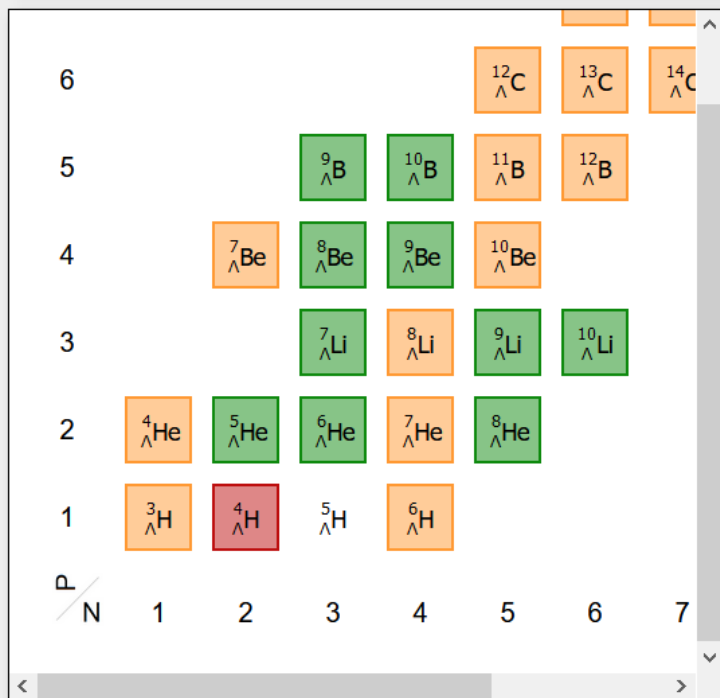


Chart of Hypernuclides - Under Construction -



${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ Hydrogen

- Non-strange core: ${}^2\text{H}$
 - mass $m_{\text{GS}} = 1875.61339 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
 - mean life time: stable
- Decays:
 - two body: ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H} \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} + \pi^-$

Ground state options:

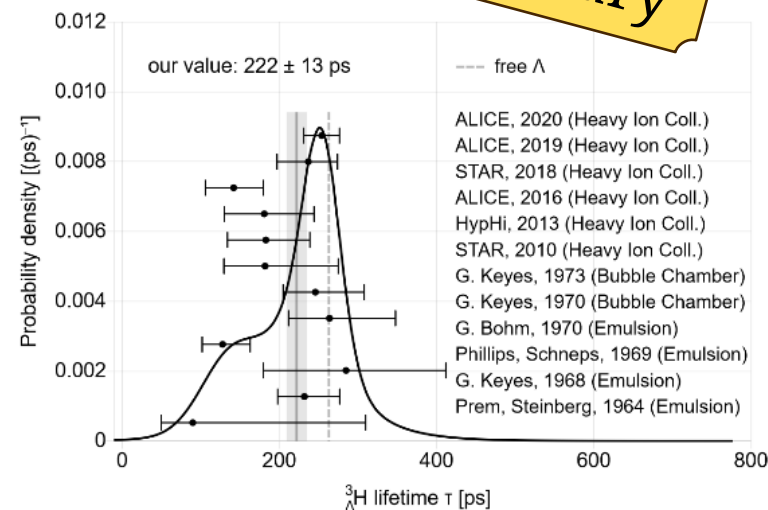
- GS mass Λ binding energy

Life time options:

- ps relative to τ_{Λ} decay width

${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$: lifetime τ

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${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$

Ground State: Λ Binding Energy

evaluated value: $0.179 \pm 0.042 \text{ MeV}$

Lifetime τ

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2. Averaging Procedures – Error weighted Mean

Set of n measurements: $\mu_i \pm \sigma_i$, $\sigma_i^2 = \sigma_{stat,i}^2 + \sigma_{syst,i}^2$

- weight for i^{th} measurement:

$$w_i = \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2}$$

- weights normalized to 1:

$$w'_i = \frac{w_i}{\sum_j w_j}$$

- total mean:

$$\bar{x} = \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i w'_i$$

- total variance:

$$\sigma_{\bar{x}}^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i'^2 \sigma_i^2$$

2. Averaging Procedures – Asymmetric Errors

How to handle asymmetric errors?

$$\mu \pm \sigma \Rightarrow \mu + \sigma_+ - \sigma_-$$

Idea:

parametrise pdf via asymmetric Gaussian curve

$$L(x) = e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma(x)} \right)^2}$$

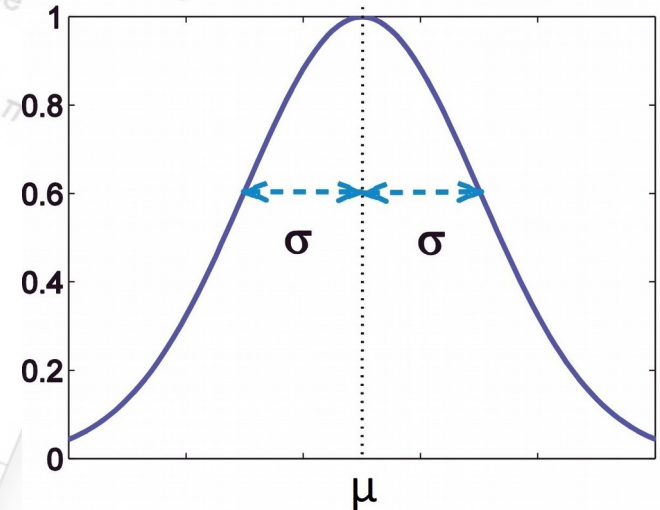
turning σ into a function $\sigma(x)$ linear in x

$$\sigma(x) = \sigma_1 + \sigma_2 \cdot (x - \mu)$$

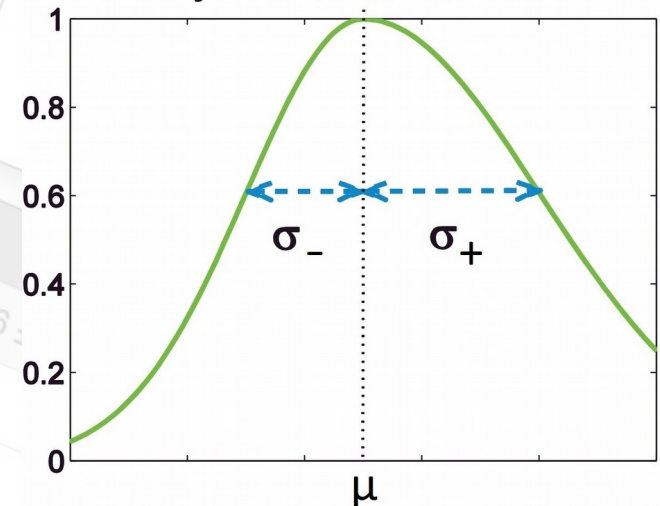
R. Barlow: “Asymmetric Statistical Errors“ (2004)

<https://arxiv.org/abs/physics/0406120v1>

Symmetric Gaussian Curve



Asymmetric Gaussian Curve



2. Averaging Procedures – Asymmetric Errors

How to choose σ_1 and σ_2 within $\sigma(x) = \sigma_1 + \sigma_2 \cdot (x - \mu)$?

Restriction from Gaussian shaped function: $g(x) = e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2}$

$$g(\mu - \sigma) = g(\mu + \sigma) = e^{-\frac{1}{2}} \Rightarrow L(\mu - \sigma_-) \stackrel{!}{=} L(\mu + \sigma_+) \stackrel{!}{=} e^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

Solution given by

$$\sigma_1 = \frac{2\sigma_+\sigma_-}{\sigma_+ + \sigma_-} \quad \sigma_2 = \frac{\sigma_+ - \sigma_-}{\sigma_+ + \sigma_-}$$

Then the $[\mu - \sigma_-, \mu + \sigma_+]$ interval is equivalent to a common 1σ interval,

→ both cover a probability of 68.27 %

2. Asymmetric Errors – Mean Value

Set of n measurements: $\mu_i + \sigma_{+,i} - \sigma_{-,i}$, $\sigma_{\pm}^2 = \sigma_{\text{stat},\pm}^2 + \sigma_{\text{syst},\pm}^2$

- Mean value \bar{x} can be found with:

$$\bar{x} \sum_i w_i = \sum_i \mu_i w_i$$

$$w_i = \frac{\sigma_{1i}}{(\sigma_{1i} + \sigma_{2i}(\bar{x} - \mu_i))^3}$$

depends on mean

- numerical solution via iterations:

- Initial value $\bar{x}_0 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^n \mu_i$

- Accuracy of 10^{-5} can be achieved in about 5 iterations

2. Asymmetric Errors – Error Interval

log-likelihood function:
$$\ln L(x) = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{x - \mu_i}{\sigma_i(x)} \right)^2$$

- $\ln L$ has maximum at \bar{x}

- from there, find both $e^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ points, equivalent to $\ln L(\bar{x}) - \ln L(\sigma_{\pm}) = -\frac{1}{2}$

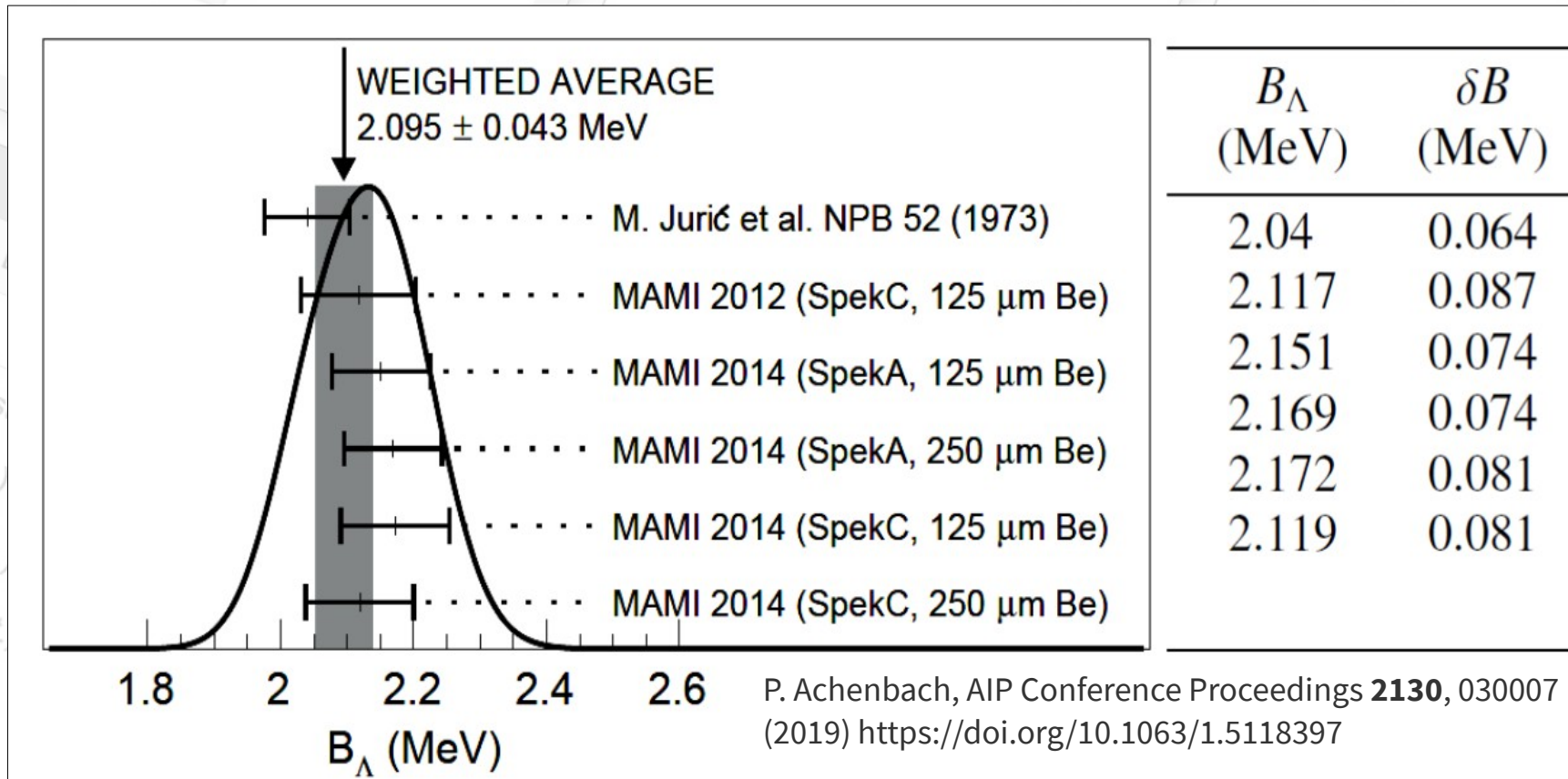
- initial values $\sigma_{\pm,0} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_{\pm,i}^2} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

- errors with accuracy 10^{-3} already found after 3 iterations!

➔ application in online calculator possible!

2. How to treat Shared Systematic Errors

Example for ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ binding energy:



2. Treatment of Shared Systematic Errors

Set of measurements with same systematic error σ_{syst}

$$\mu_i \pm \sigma_{\text{stat},i} \pm \sigma_{\text{syst}}$$

→ modified systematic error:

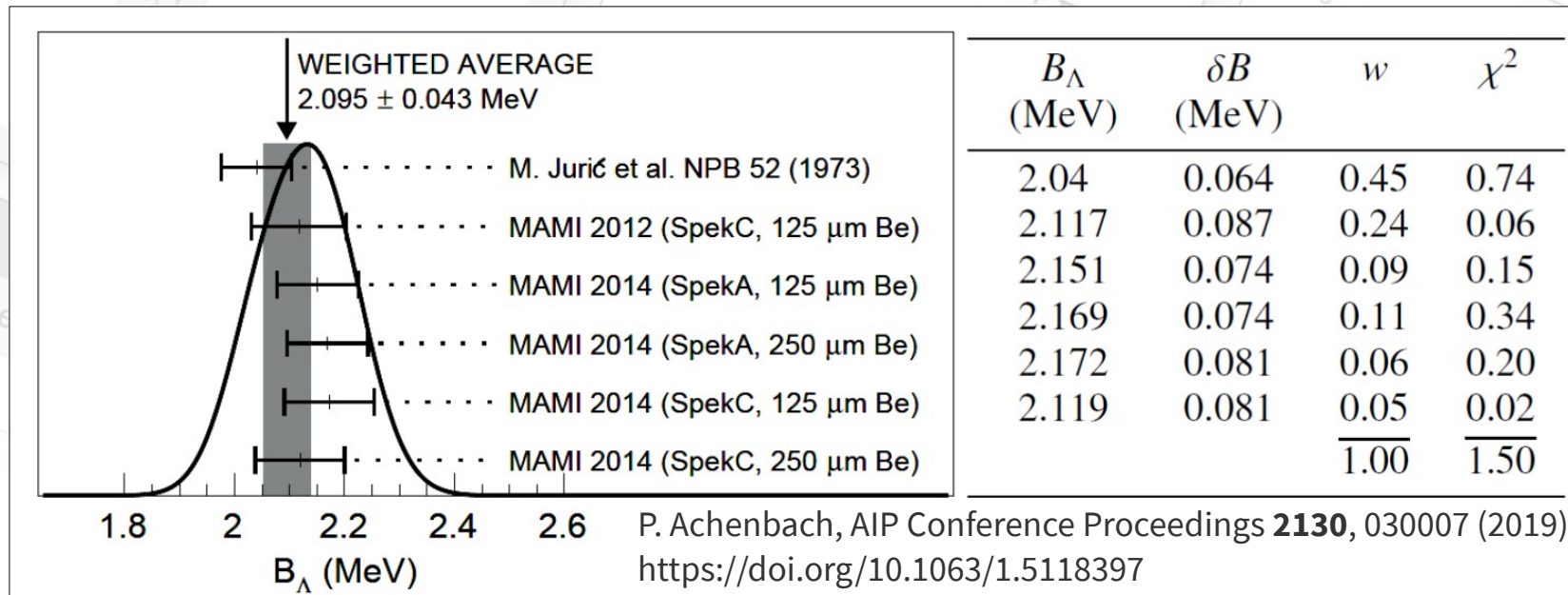
$$\sigma_{\text{syst},i} = \sigma_{\text{syst}} \cdot \sigma_{\text{stat},i} \left(\sum_j \frac{1}{\sigma_{\text{stat},j}^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

“This procedure has the advantage that, with the modified systematic errors [...], each measurement may be treated as independent and averaged in the usual way with other data.” – PDG

→ inside the database, measurements are grouped in settings

2. Shared Systematic Errors – Example

Example calculation for ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ binding energy:



- error treatment avoids overestimation of MAMI's influence:

→ weights distributed **almost 1:1** instead of 1:5

- no underestimation of resulting error

2. How to treat published Averages?

Example: Jurič's hypertriton binding energy $B_{\Lambda} = 130 \pm 50 \text{ keV}$

Published value consists of four different single values:

Hypernucleus	Decay mode	No of events	$B_{\Lambda} \pm \Delta B_{\Lambda}$ (MeV)
${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$	$\pi^{-} + {}^1\text{H} + {}^2\text{H}$	24	0.23 ± 0.11
	$\pi^{-} + {}^3\text{He}$	58	0.06 ± 0.11
	total	82	0.15 ± 0.08

	$B_{\Lambda} \pm \Delta B_{\Lambda}$ (MeV)
	Bohm et al. ^{a)}
${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$	0.01 ± 0.07

Combination to mean not trivial:

3.2.1. The ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ hypernucleus

From the observation of 82 examples of ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$, the binding energy of this hypernucleus is found to be $0.15 \pm 0.08 \text{ MeV}$. An accurate determination of the binding energy of the ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ hypernucleus is of great importance to estimate the strength of the ΛN interaction in the singlet state. Combining the result obtained in this experiment with the data compiled by Bohm et al. [2], reanalysed using the methods and selection criteria defined in the present work, the best estimate for the binding energy of ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ is found to be $B_{\Lambda} = 0.13 \pm 0.05 \text{ MeV}$.

M. Jurič, Nuclear Physics B, Vol. 52, 1, p 1 – 30 (1973)

2. How to treat published Averages – Options

Options for adopting the values to the database:

1. only take underlying measurements

includes 2 and 3 body channels of Jurič and Bohm

Problem: final mean value can't be reproduced

2. only take mean value:

Problem: loss of information on underlying measurements

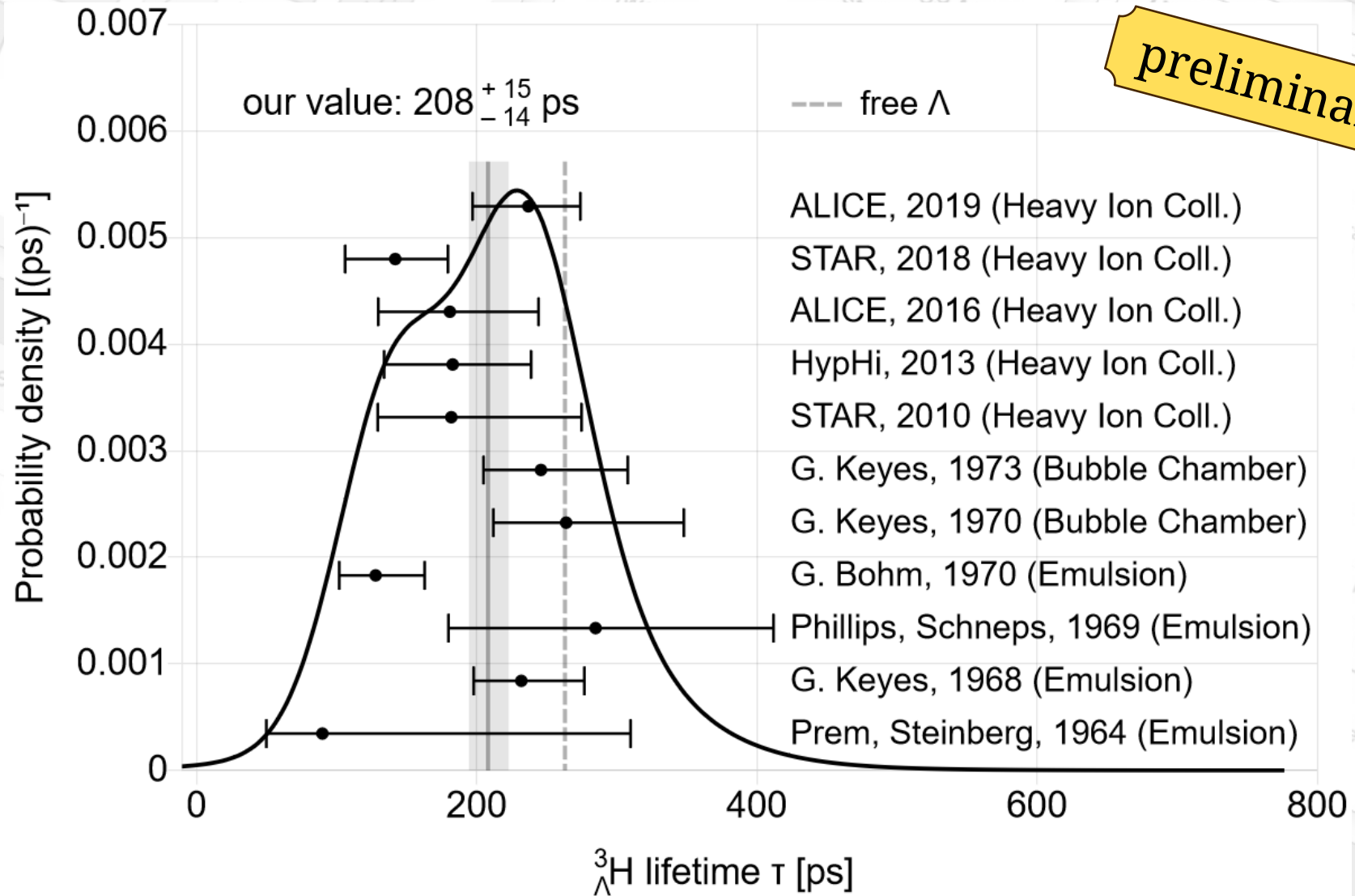
3. take all values:

Problem: assure that no measurement appears twice in average!

➔ go for 3rd option → measurements grouped in collections

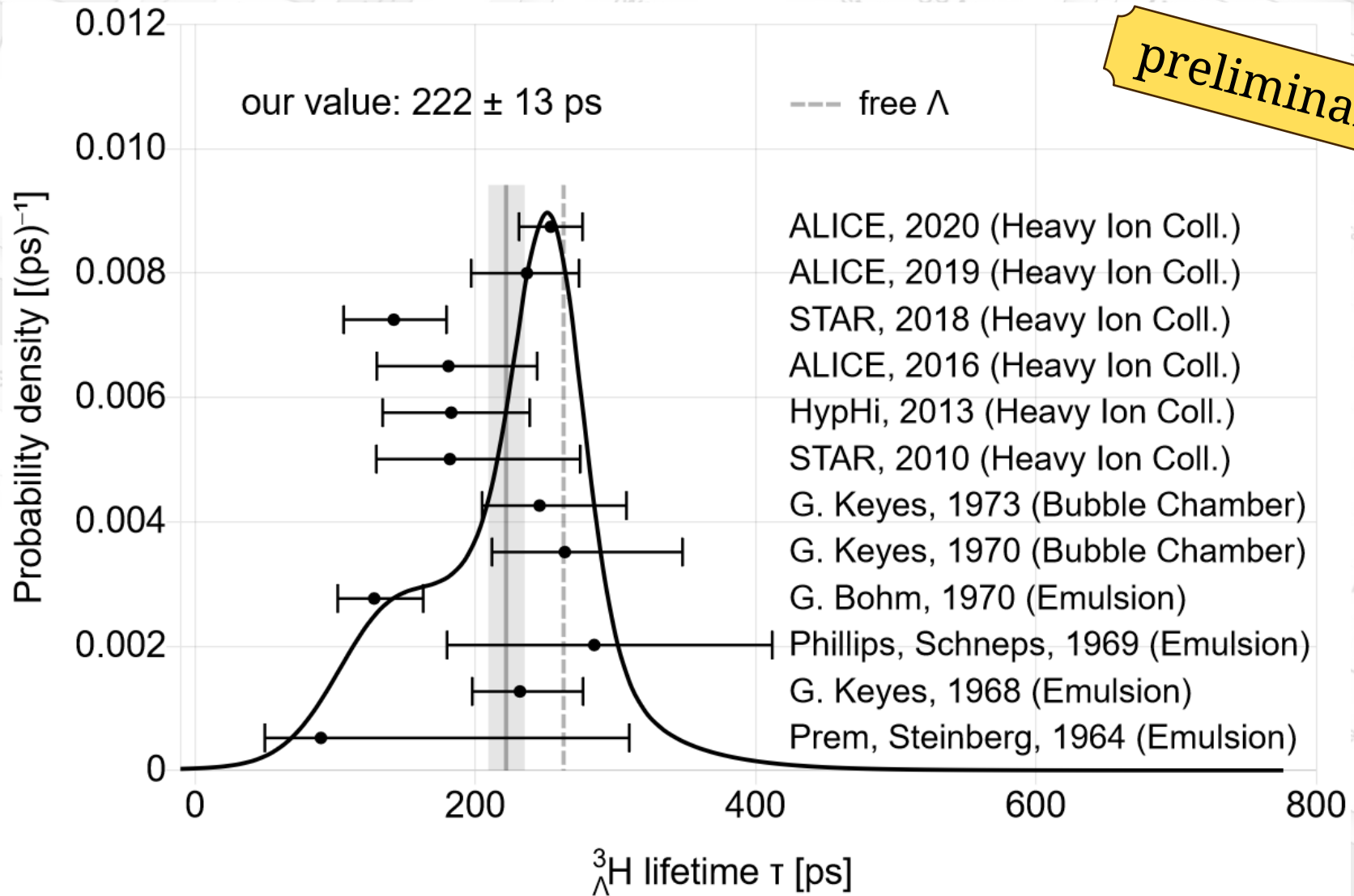
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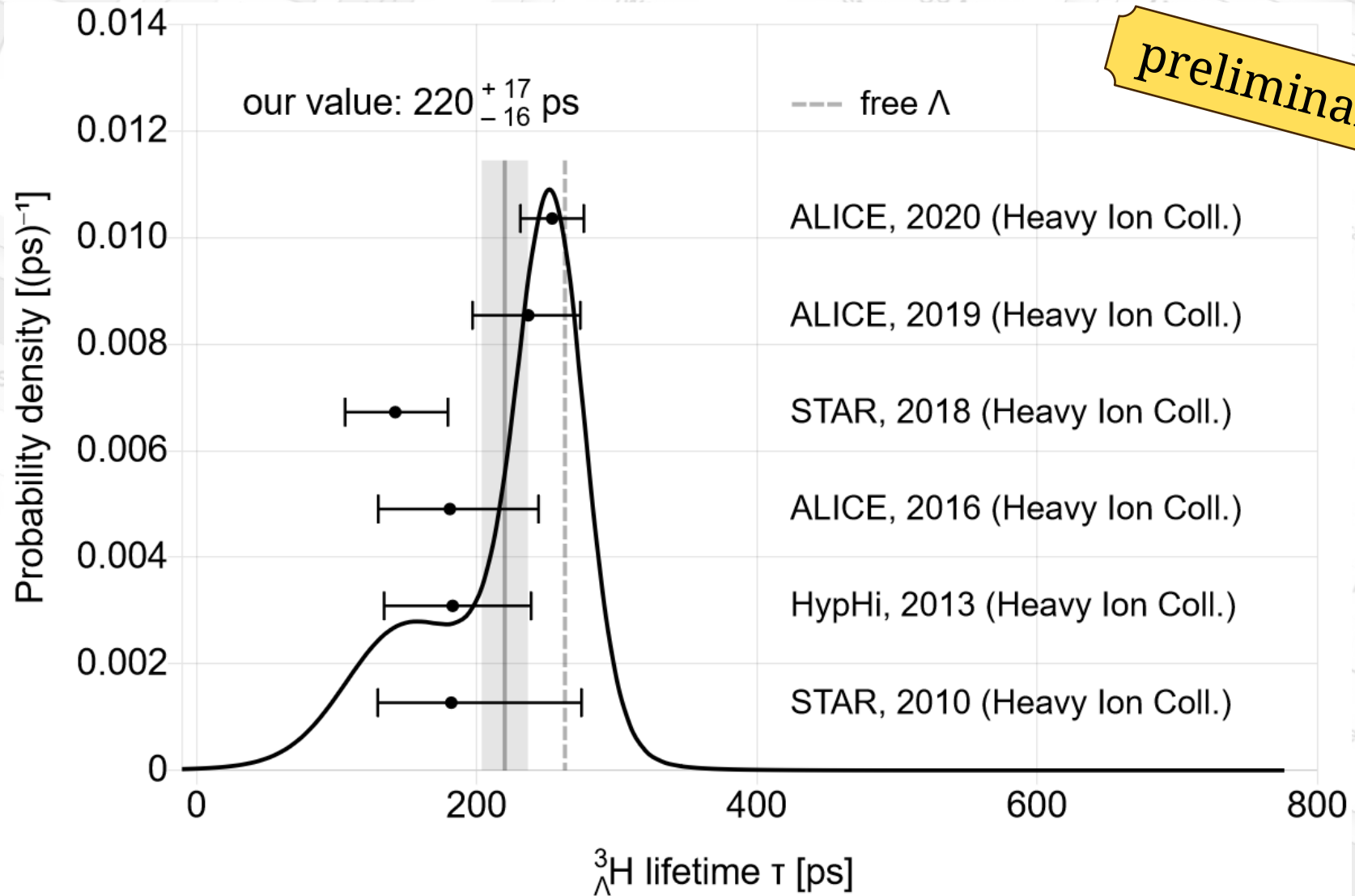
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New ALICE Value



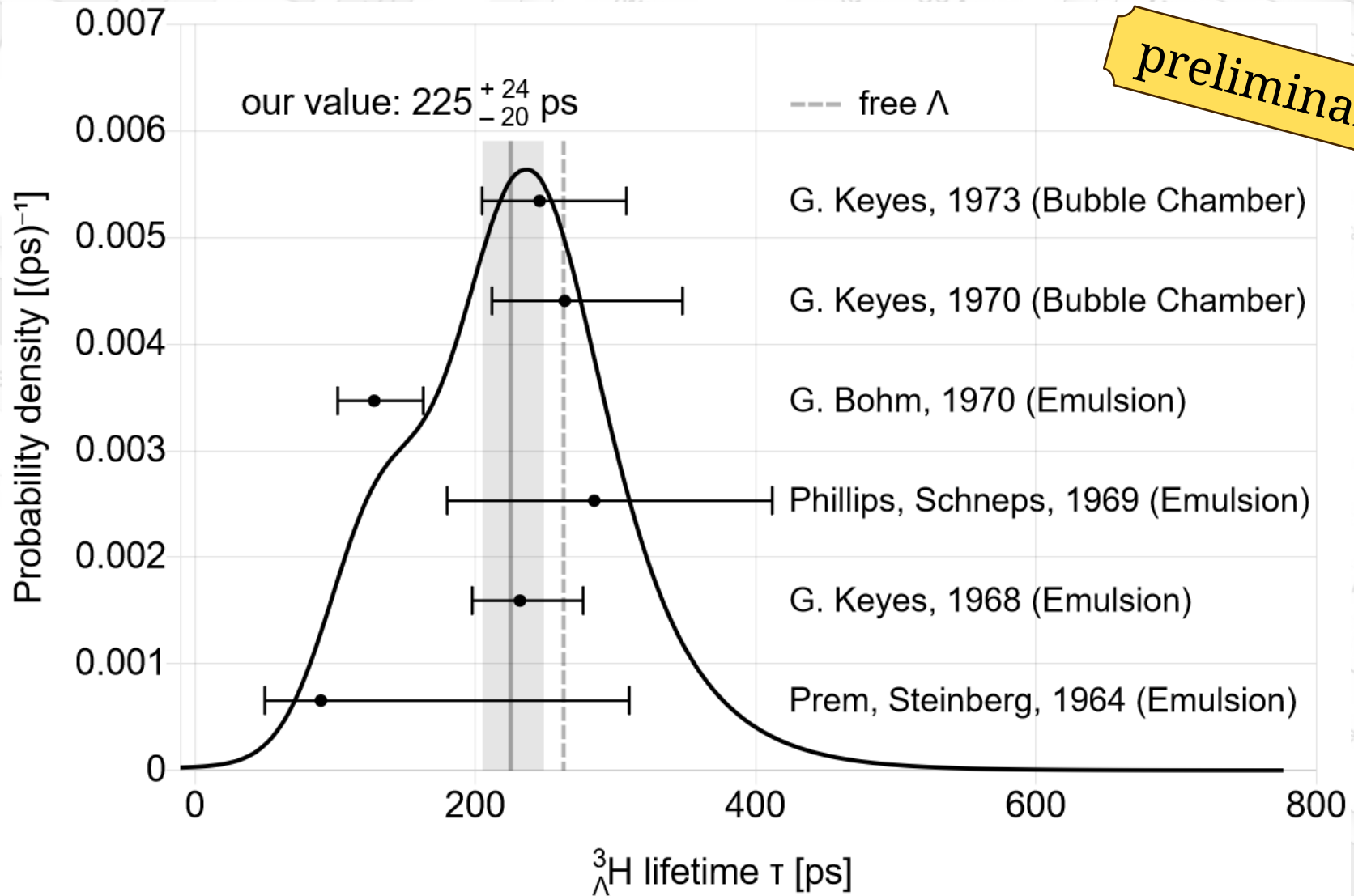
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Heavy Ion only



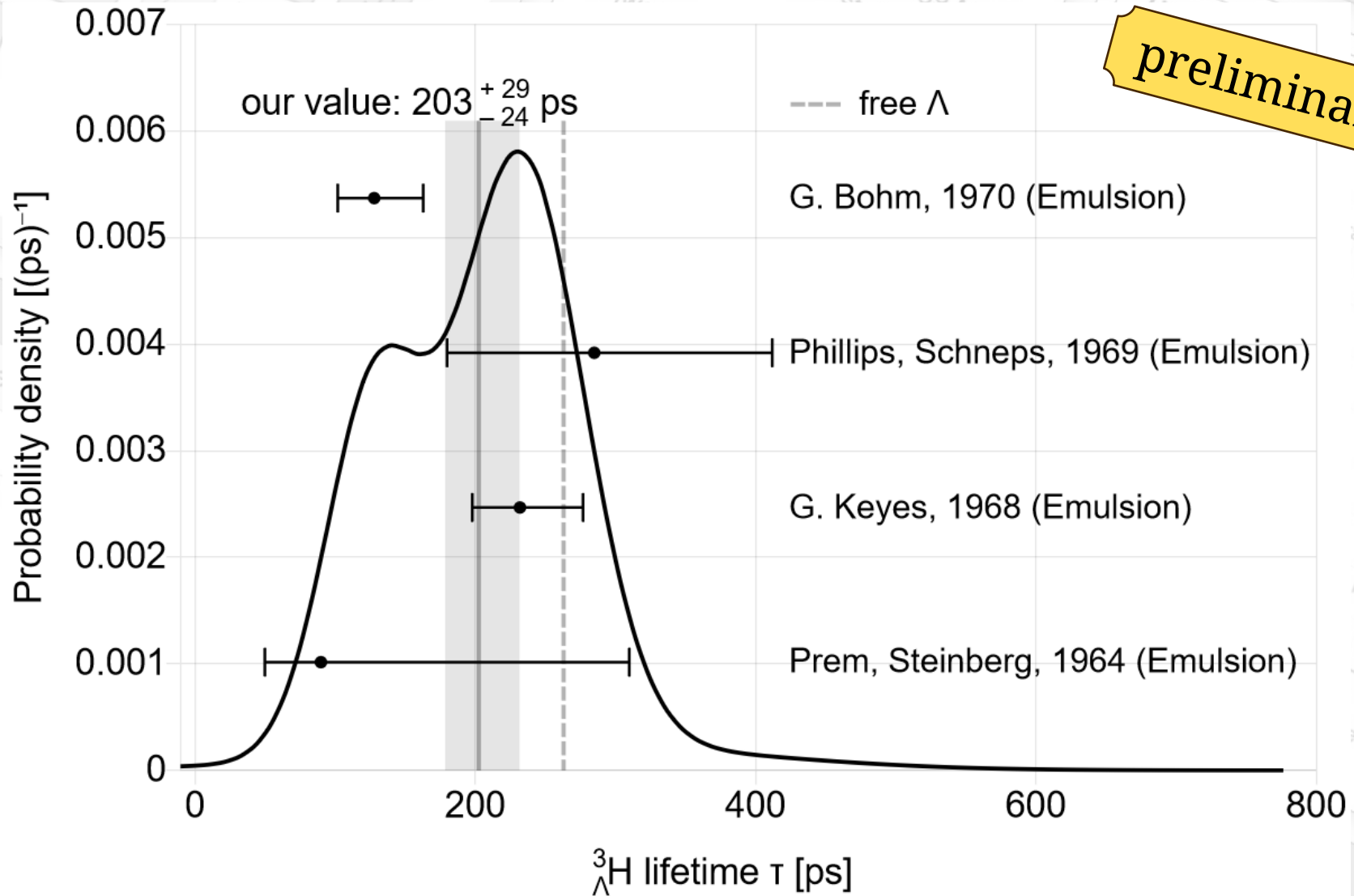
3. The Hypertriton Lifetime

Without Heavy Ion



3. The Hypertriton Lifetime

Emulsion only



3. The Hypertriton Lifetime – Summary

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- new ALICE value dominates average (weight of 1/3)

- our total average value is:

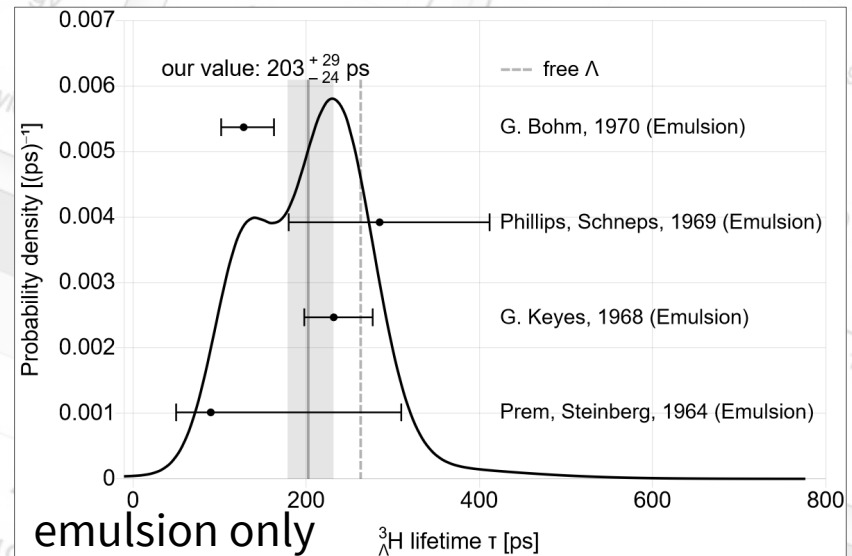
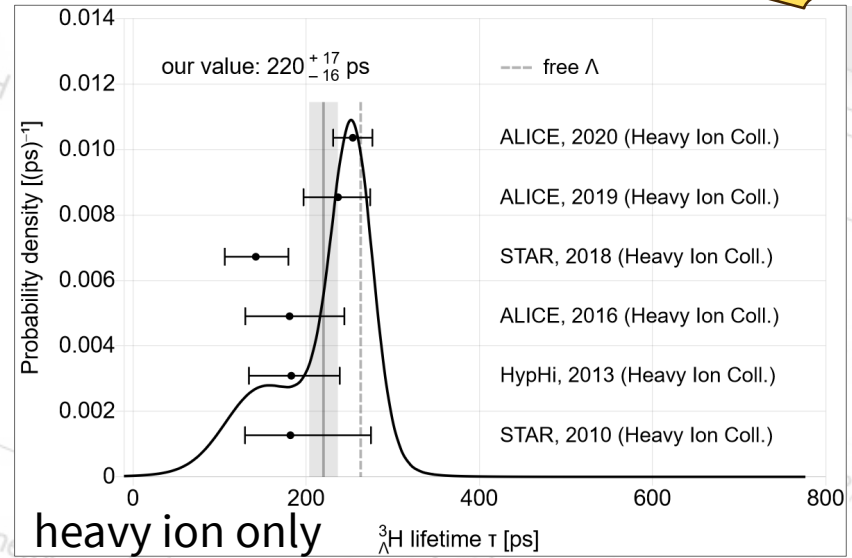
$$\tau_{\Lambda^3\text{H}} = 222 \pm 13 \text{ ps}$$

- heavy ion only result almost the same:

$$\tau_{\Lambda^3\text{H}} = 220^{+17}_{-16} \text{ ps}$$

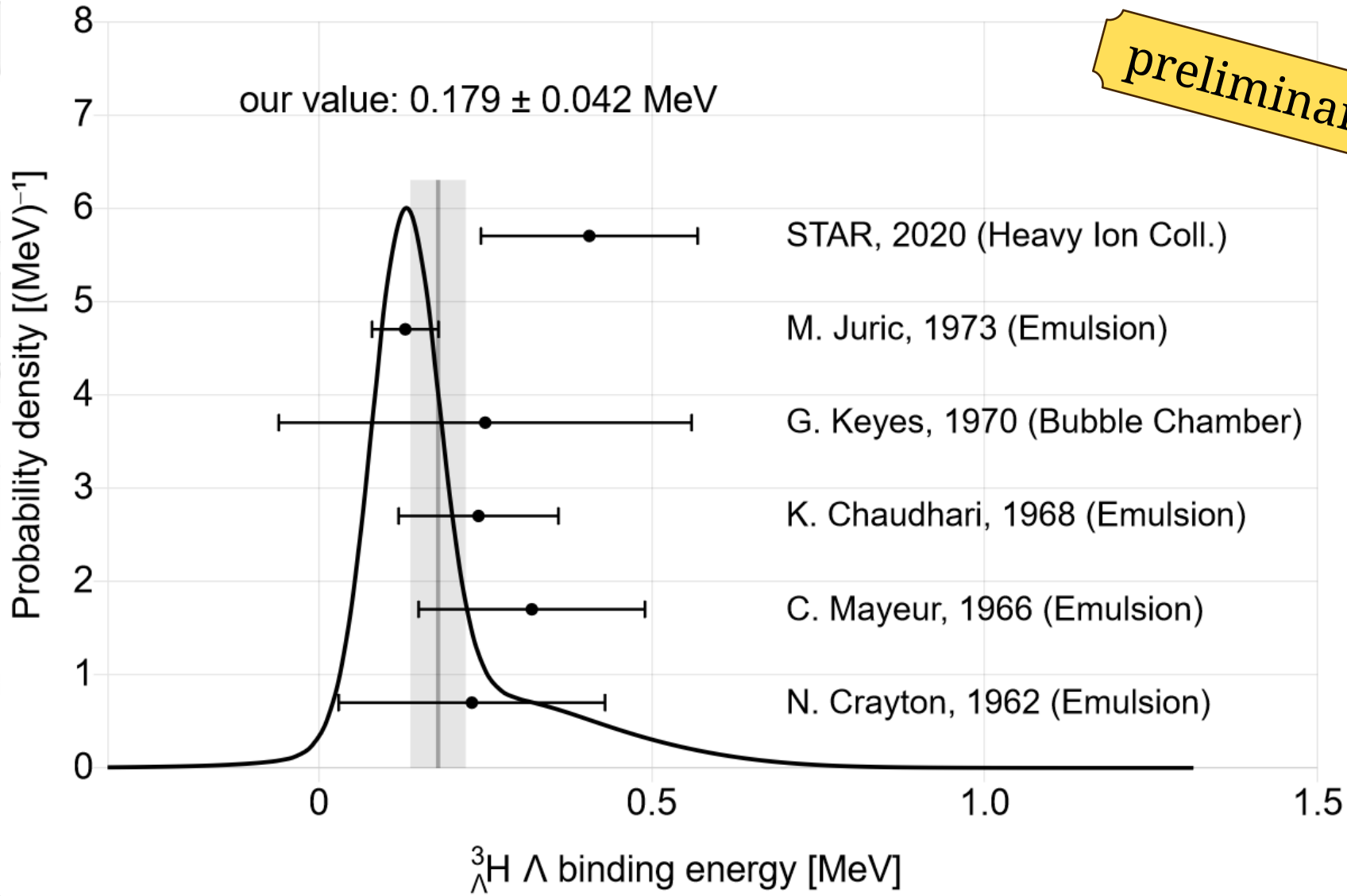
- both, heavy ion only and emulsion only show a double structure:

→ hidden systematics?



3. Other Result: Hypertriton Binding Energy

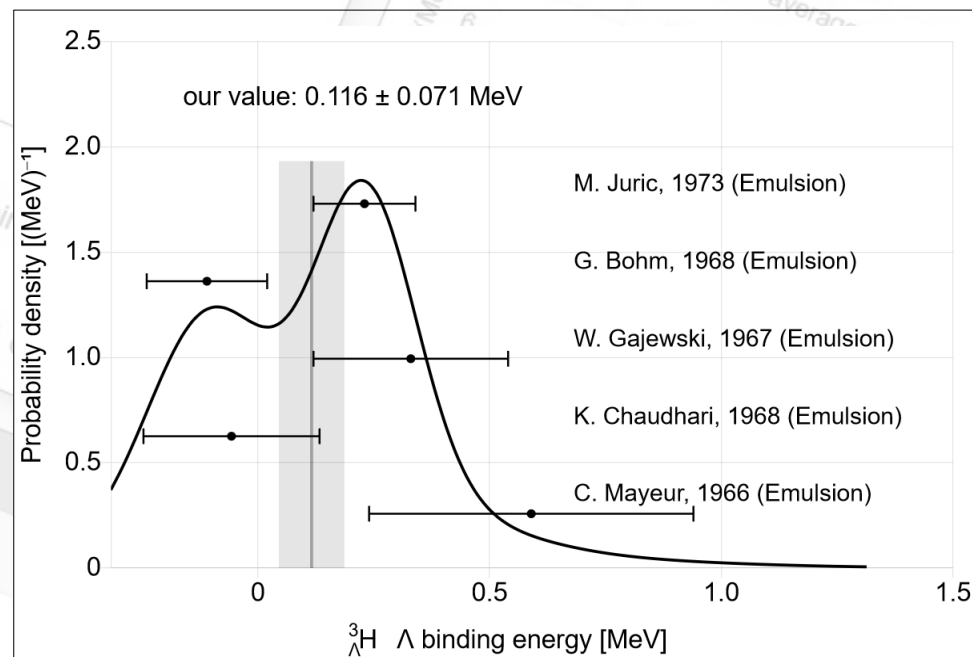
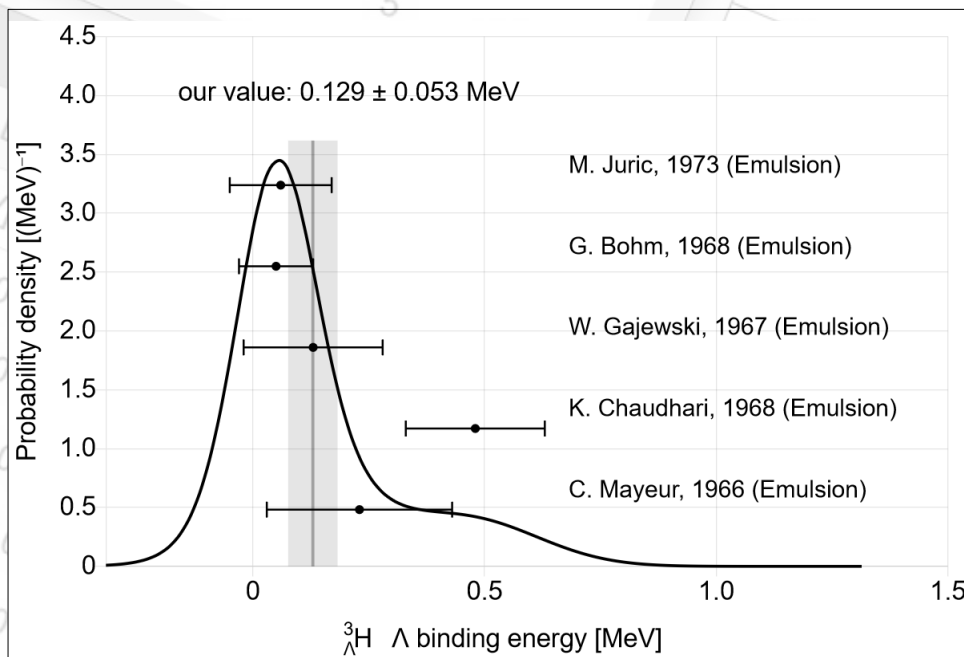
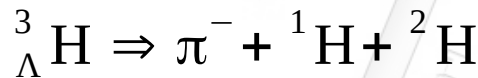
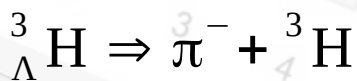
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3. Hypertriton Binding Energy

Comparing 2-body and 3-body decays in emulsion data:

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2-body: $B_{\Lambda} = 129 \pm 53$ keV

3-body: $B_{\Lambda} = 116 \pm 71$ keV

3. Outlook – Recalibration of Historical Data?

Particle masses have changed over the decades ... → PDG values:

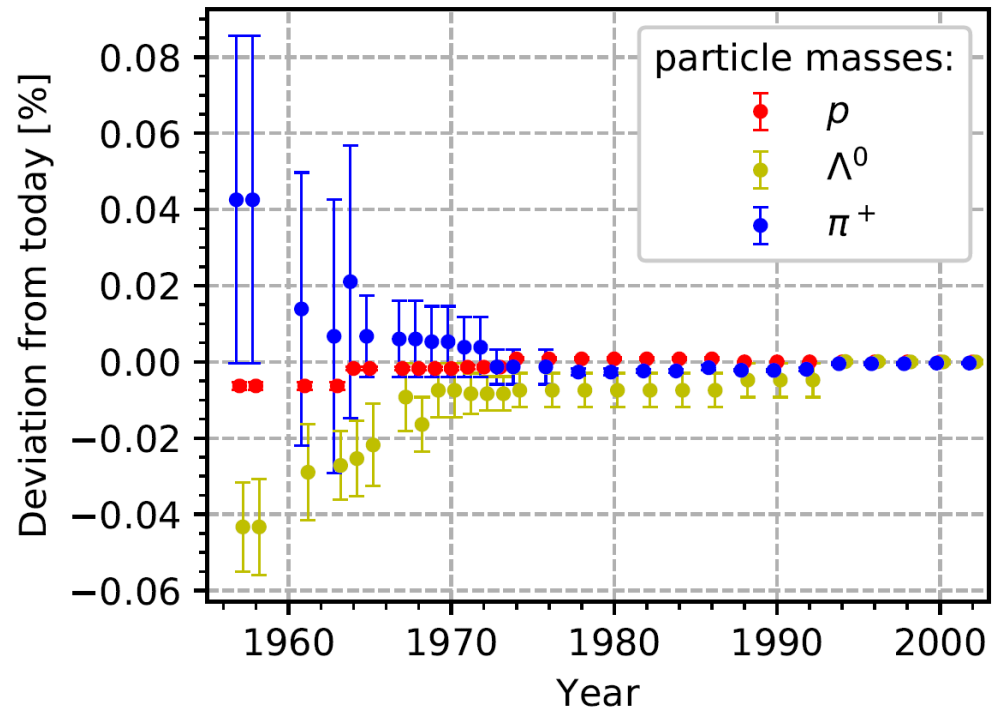
Deviation of 0.02 % in Λ mass
equals to 220 keV in total!



Influence on nuclei like hypertriton?

Correction by P. Liu et al.¹ on Juric's
hypertriton measurement:

150 keV → 270 keV



→ Find agreement for consistent correction!

¹: Chinese Physics C Vol. 37, No. 1 (2019) 010201

3. Outlook – Systematic Error for Historical Data?

Suggestion by Davis¹: $\sigma_{\text{syst}} = 40 \text{ keV}$

Example: hypertriton binding energy

- dominated by Juric's value

$$B_{\Lambda} = 130 \pm 50 \text{ keV}$$

- with additional systematic error

$$B_{\Lambda} = 130 \pm 64 \text{ keV} \quad (\text{total error})$$

→ comparably large change in average:

$$\bar{B}_{\Lambda} = 179 \pm 42 \text{ keV} \Rightarrow 196 \pm 49 \text{ keV}$$

¹: D. H. Davis, Nuclear Physics A 754 (2005) 3c–13c

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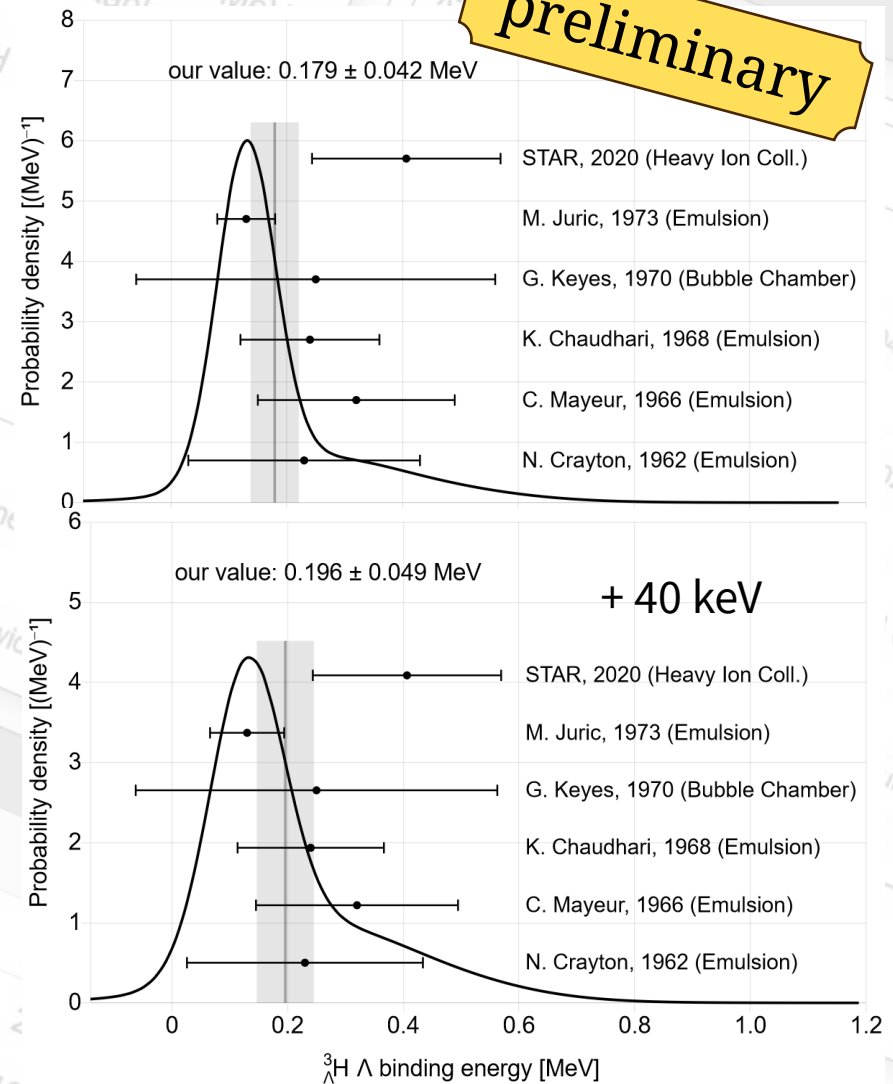
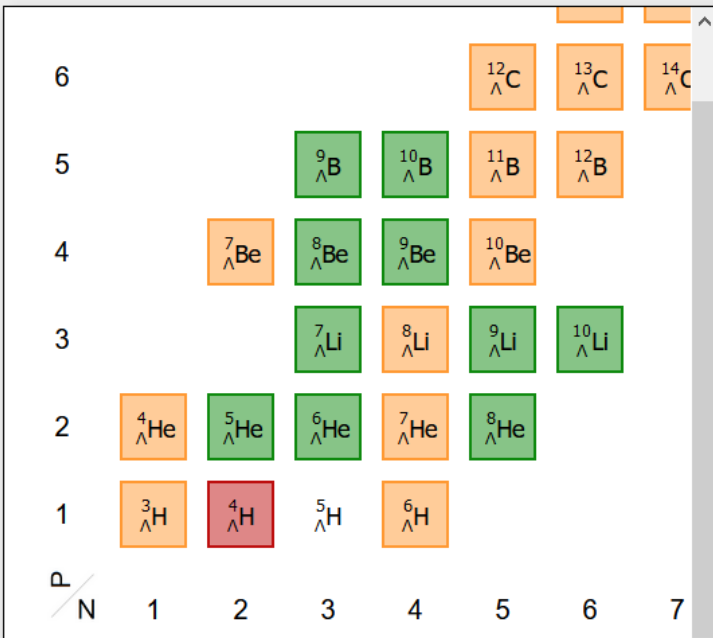


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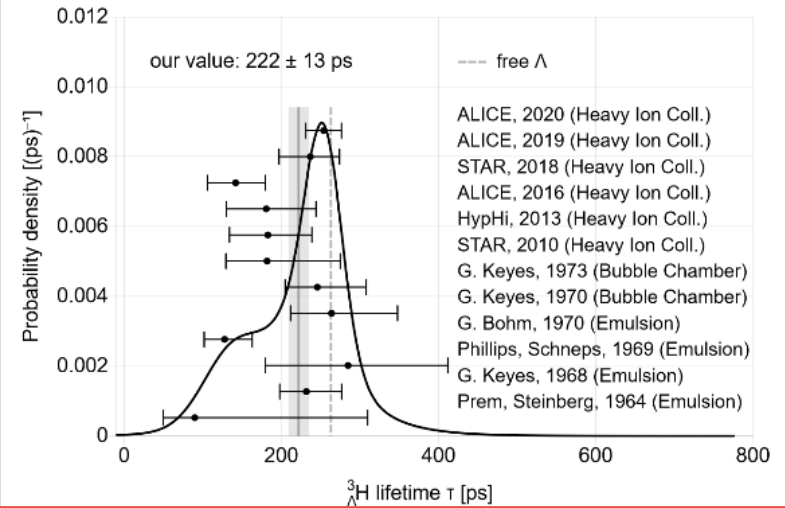
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collaboration	table for corresponding collaboration
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