

# Status of simulation of hyperon Dalitz decays and cascade production

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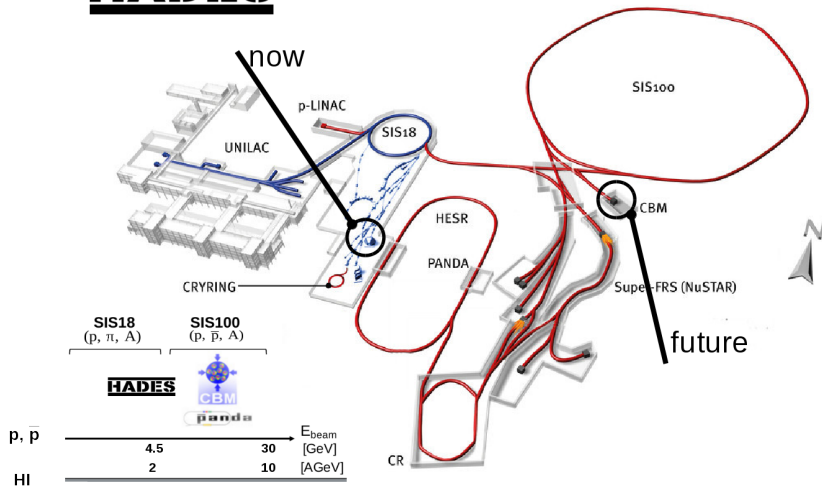


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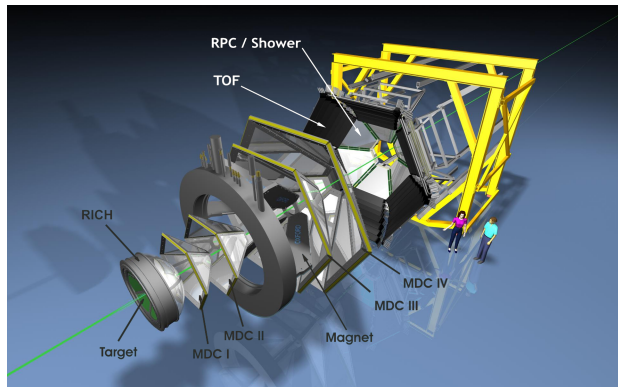
# HADES

- first detector in FAIR Phase-0 (2018-2020)



Rich experimental programme:

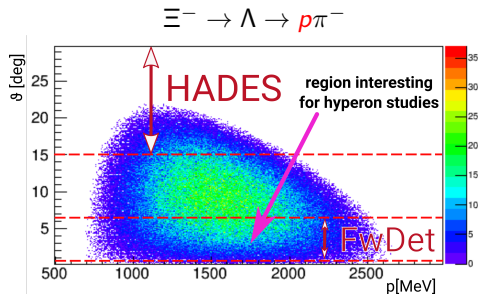
- ▶  $Ag + Ag@1.7\text{ GeV}$  ( $e^+e^-$ , strangeness)
- ▶  $\pi NN$  ( $e^+e^-$ , hadron spectroscopy)
- ▶  $p + p, p + Pb$  ( $e^+e^-$ , meson,  $N^*\Delta^*$ , hyperon spectroscopy)



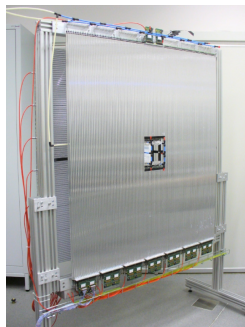
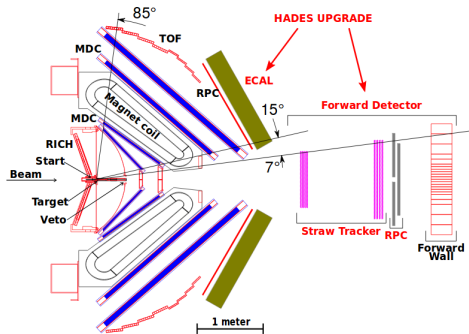
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# Forward Detector

- ▶ Straws — tracking
- ▶ RPC —  $\beta$ /ToF measurement
- ▶ HADES —  $p, \pi, e^+, e^-, K$  excellent PID and momentum resolution



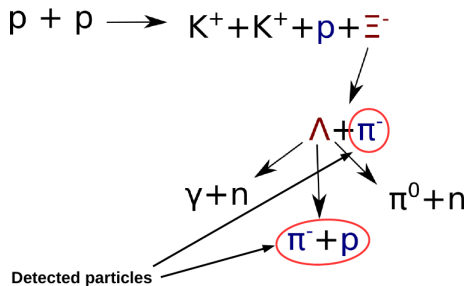
w/o Forward Detector only 8.7% of all possible  $p$  are reconstructed



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STS2  
Kraków + Orsay

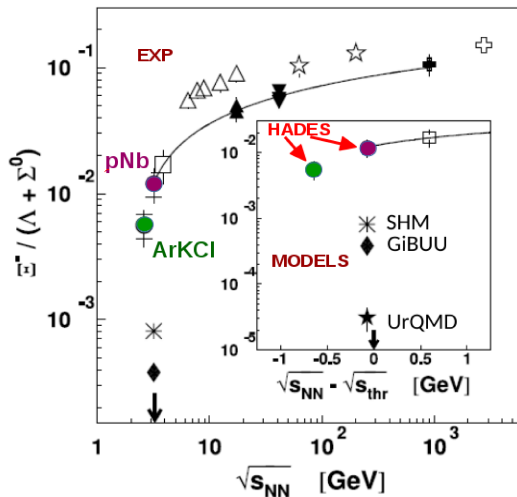
# Benchmark reactions

## 1. $\Xi^-$ (cascade particle) production



- ▶ strong enhancement in respect to existing models (UrQMD, GiBUU) in sub-threshold production in Ar+KCl@1.76 AGeV and p+Nb@3.5 GeV reaction
- ▶ no data close to threshold in NN reactions
- ▶ NN collisions at low energies  $\Rightarrow$  test of cascade production models

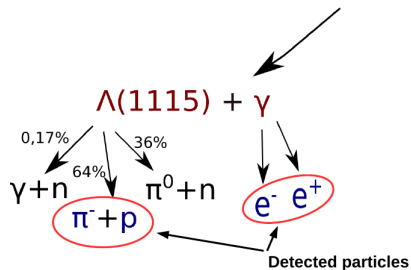
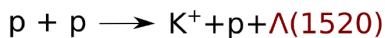
## HADES puzzle



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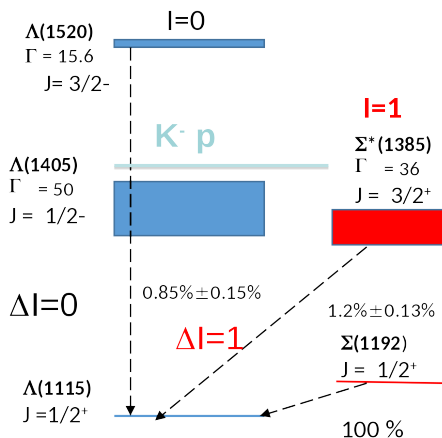
# Benchmark reactions

## 2. Hyperon EM decays



Dalitz decays of  $\Lambda(1520)$ ,  $\Lambda(1405)$ ,  $\Sigma(1385)$

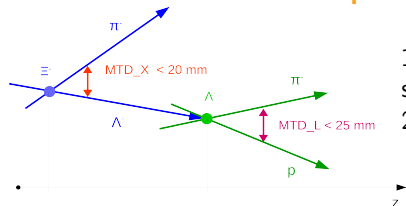
- ▶ EM tFF  $\Rightarrow q$  distribution
- ▶ EM decay widths for  $Y^* \rightarrow Y\gamma$



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# Strategy of the analysis

## 1. Cascade production



1.  $p\pi^-$  pairs  $\rightarrow \Lambda(1115)$  reconstruction.

2. Topological cuts:

- ▶ distance between  $p$  and  $\pi^-$  tracks,
- ▶  $\Lambda(1115)$  vertex- $z$ .

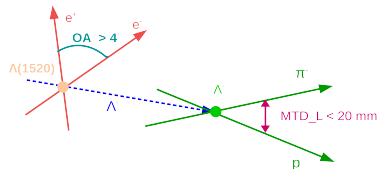
3. Cut on  $\Lambda(1115)$  mass.

4.  $\pi^- + \Lambda(1115)$  candidate  $\rightarrow \Xi^-$ .

5. Topological cut: distance between  $\Lambda(1115)$  and  $\pi^-$  tracks.

6. Sum of reconstructed  $\Lambda$  and  $\pi^-$  4-vectors.

## 2. Dalitz decays



3. Cut on  $\Lambda(1115)$  mass.

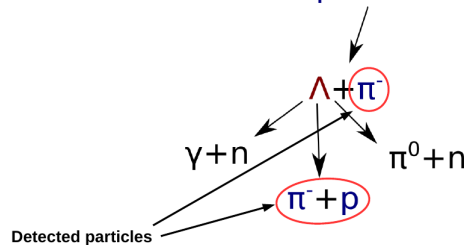
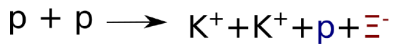
4. Dilepton pairs  $\Rightarrow OA > 4^\circ$ ,  
 $m(e^+e^-) > m(\pi^0)$ .

5. Sum of reconstructed  $\Lambda$  and  $e^+e^-$  4-vectors.

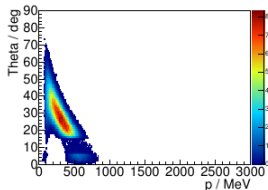
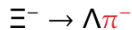


# Simulations & analysis

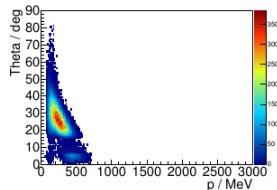
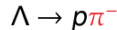
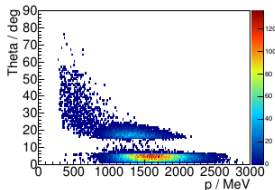
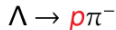
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Registration of 2  $\pi^-$ s in HADES and  $p$  in FD required for the  $\Xi^-$  reconstruction.

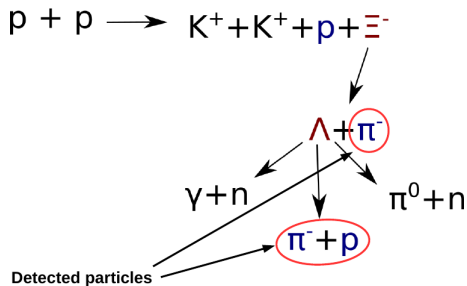


Pluto+Geant simulations



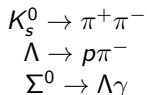
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## 1. $\Xi^-$ (cascade particle) production



No.	reaction	cross-section [ $\mu\text{b}$ ]
0.	$K^+ K^+ p \Xi^-$	4.8
1.	$pp2\pi^-2\pi^+$	600
2.	$p\Lambda K_s^0 \pi^+$	100
3.	$p\Lambda K^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$	30
4.	$n\Lambda K_s^0 2\pi^+$	30
5.	$p\Sigma^0 K_s^0 \pi^+$	20
6.	$pp2K_s^0$	20

### The most contributing BG sources:

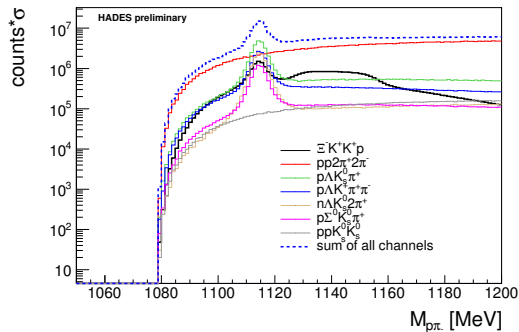


- 1 multi- $\pi^-$  production
- 2–5  $\Lambda$  or  $\Sigma^0$  and  $K_s^0$  as a  $\pi^-$  source
- 6  $2K_s^0$  as pions source

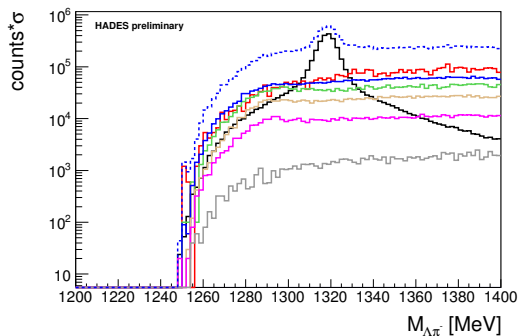
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$\Lambda(1115)$  reconstruction

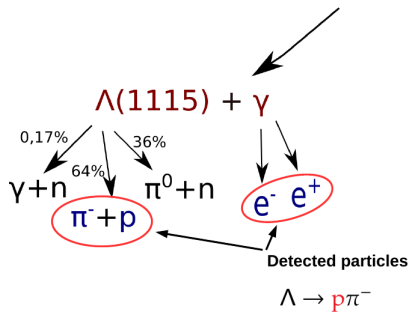
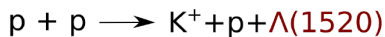


$\Xi^-$  reconstruction

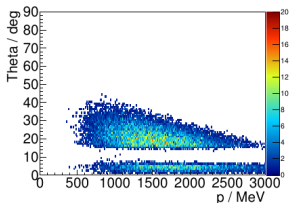


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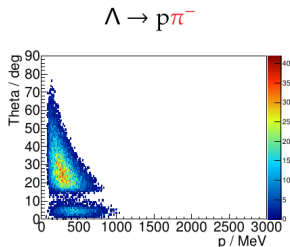
## 2. Hyperon EM decays in HADES @ 4.5 GeV



Registration of  $\pi^-$  in HADES,  $p$  in HADES or FD and dilepton in RICH required for the  $\Lambda(1520)$  reconstruction.

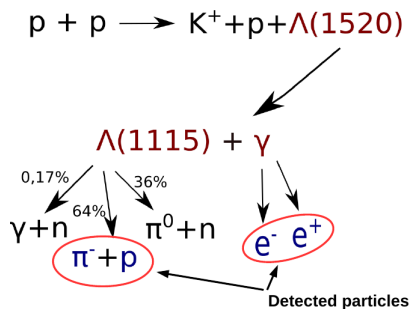


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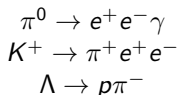
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## 2. Hyperon EM decays



No.	reaction	cross-section [ $\mu\text{b}$ ]
0.	$pK^+\Lambda(1520)$	50
1.	$pK^+\Lambda\pi^0$	100
2.	$pK^+\Lambda 2\pi^0$	20
3.	$pK^+\Lambda 3\pi^0$	7
4.	$pp\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$	1840
5.	$pp\pi^+\pi^-2\pi^0$	300
6.	$pn2\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$	200
7.	$\Lambda(1520)$ decays	50

The most contributing BG sources:



1–3  $\Lambda$  and a dilepton source ( $K^+$  or  $\pi^0$ )

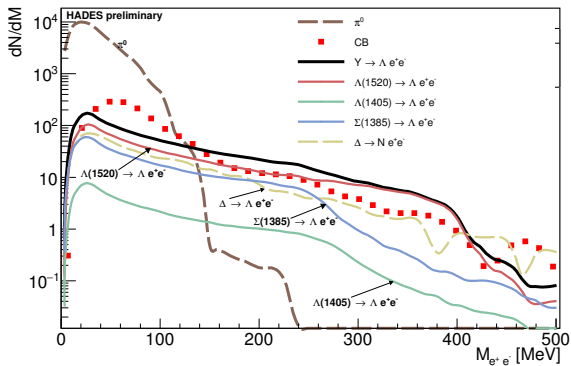
4–6 multi pion production

7 other reactions with  $p\Lambda(1520)K^+$  in the final state

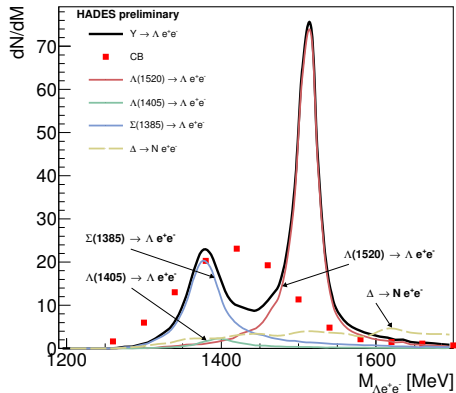
# Simulations & analysis

## 2. Hyperon EM decays

Di-lepton invariant mass



$\Lambda e^+e^-$  invariant mass



# Experimental plans

Plans of the HADES Collaboration for the FAIR-Phase0:

- ▶ Heavy-ion beam (Ag+Ag) — 2018 → 2019
- ▶ Pion beams — 2019 (??)
- ▶ **Proton beams (p+p) E=4.5 GeV — 2020 (??) ⇒ FAIR-Phase0/HADES-PANDA**

## Count rate estimation (preliminary):

Beam rate =  $10^8$  part/s  
Luminosity =  $2 \cdot 10^{31} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  } extrapolated from  $pp@3.5$  GeV  
with assumption 200 kHz DAQ

$H^*$ production	$pp \rightarrow pK^+\Lambda^*$	$pp \rightarrow pK^+\Sigma^*$	$pp \rightarrow \Xi^- K^+ K^+ p$
$\sigma_{tot}$ :	130 $\mu\text{b}$	80 $\mu\text{b}$	4.8 $\mu\text{b}$
$H^*$ Dalitz decay	$\Lambda^* \rightarrow \Lambda e^+ e^-$	$\Sigma^* \rightarrow \Lambda e^+ e^-$	—
$\sigma_{Dalitz}$	$8.3 \cdot 10^{-3} \mu\text{b}$	$7.0 \cdot 10^{-3} \mu\text{b}$	—
$\varepsilon_{H^* rec}$ :	0.5%	0.5%	0.79%
Expected count rate:	34 part/day		$8.64 \cdot 10^4$ part/day



## Hyperon studies:

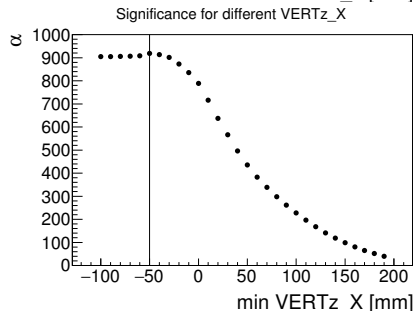
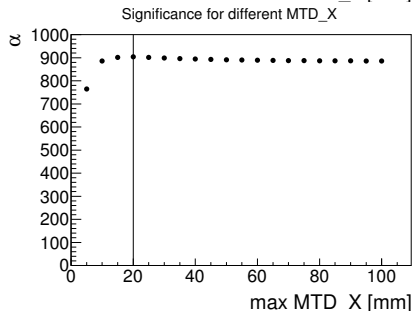
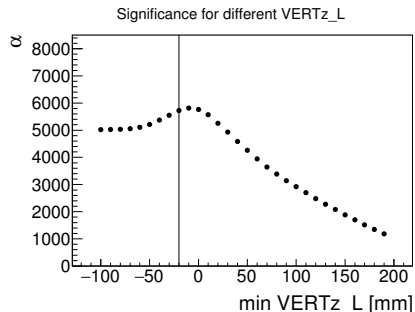
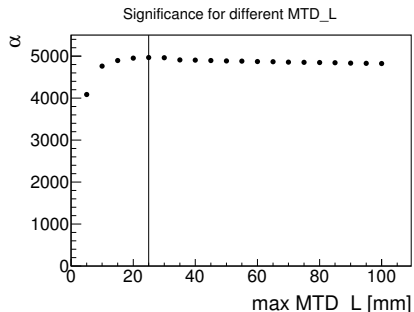
- ▶ internal baryonic structure and test of the quark models
- ▶ Dalitz decays of hyperons  $\Rightarrow$  access to the interesting  $q^2$  region
- ▶ enhancement of  $\Xi$  production — HADES puzzle

## Outlook:

- ▶ PID in FD  $\rightarrow$  better  $S/B$  ratio
- ▶ improvement of the PID in HADES
- ▶ HADES upgrade and measurements at the SIS18  $\rightarrow$  better statistics
- ▶ in the (near) future measurements at the new SIS100@FAIR

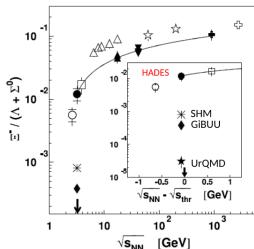
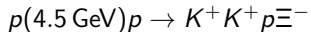


# Cuts estimation for $\Xi^-$ reconstruction

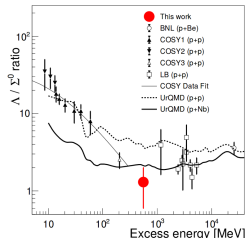


# Simulation of the cascade $\Xi^-$

Simulated reaction channel:



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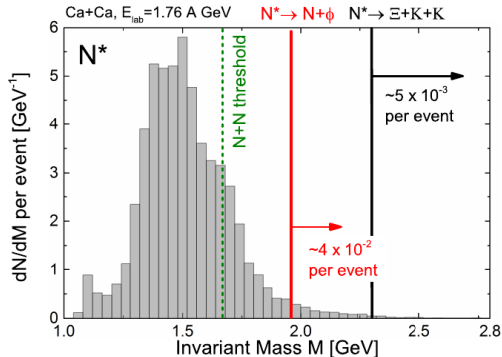


*arXiv:1711.05559*

## Cross section estimation:

1. cross-sections ratio  $\frac{\sigma_{\Xi^-}}{\sigma_{\Lambda} + \sigma_{\Sigma^0}}$  measured by HADES in p-Nb and Ar-KCl
2.  $\sigma_{\Lambda}$  known from literature (L-B)
3. cross-sections ratio  $\frac{\sigma_{\Lambda}}{\sigma_{\Sigma^0}}$  measured by COSY, BNL and LB
4. from 2,3  $\rightarrow \sigma_{\Sigma^0}$
5. from 1,2,4  $\rightarrow \sigma_{\Xi^-}$

# Strangeness production via high mass baryon resonances



**Figure 2.** [Color online] Invariant mass distribution of  $N^*$  resonances produced in collisions of Ca+Ca at a fixed target beam energy of  $E_{lab} = 1.76$  A GeV. We consider events with an impact parameter smaller than  $b < 5$  fm, in accordance with HADES experiment specifications. The vertical green dashed line indicates the maximum mass a  $N^*$  can have in an elementary  $N + N$  collision at the same beam energy. The vertical red line depicts the  $\phi$  production threshold mass while the black line corresponds to the  $\Xi + K + K$  threshold mass.

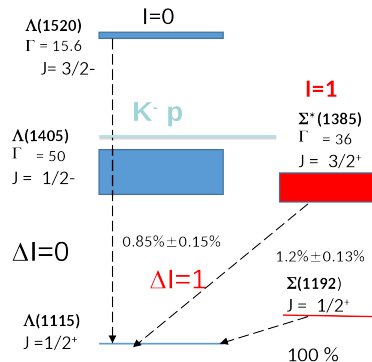
Steinheimer, *J.Phys.G43* (2016)015104

# Electromagnetic decay widths for $Y^* \rightarrow Y\gamma$

## Quark models

Model	$\Delta(1232)$	$\Sigma^0(1385)$		$\Lambda(1405)$		$\Lambda(1520)$	
	$p\gamma$	$\Lambda(1116)\gamma$	$\Sigma^0(1193)\gamma$	$\Lambda(1116)\gamma$	$\Sigma^0(1193)\gamma$	$\Lambda(1116)\gamma$	$\Sigma^0(1193)\gamma$
NRQM[3, 4]	360[14]	273	22	200	72	156	55
RCQM[5]		267	23	118	46	216	293
$\chi$ CQM[6]	350	265	17.4				
MIT Bag[3]		152	15	60, 17	18, 2.7	46	17
Chiral Bag[7]				7.5	1.9	32	51
Soliton[8]		243, 170	19, 11	44, 40	13, 17		
Skyrme[9, 10]	309-348	157-209	7.7-16				
Algebraic model[11]	343.7	221.3	33.9	116.9	155.7	85.1	180.4
HB $\chi$ PT[12] <sup>†</sup>	(670-790)	290-470	1.4-36				
$1/N_c$ expansion[13]		298 ± 25	24.9 ± 4.1				
Previous Experiments	640-720[30]	<2000[22]	<1750[22]	27±8[19]	10±4[19] 23±7[19]	33±11[17] 134±23[16] 109±23±26[18]	47±17[17]
This experiment		479 ± 120 <sup>+81</sup> <sub>-100</sub>				167 ± 43 <sup>+26</sup> <sub>-12</sub>	

Taylor et al. (CLAS Collaboration), Phys. Rev. C71 (2005) 054609



Radiative decays are a sensitive test of the hyperon structure

- Predictions of decay widths (Quark, Bag,  $\chi$ PT... models) span over one order of magnitude
- Recent experimental results (CLAS) show very large decay widths

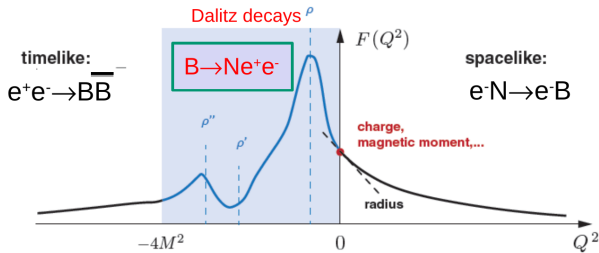
CLAS: PRD83(2011)072004,  
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# Hyperon Dalitz decays

$$Y^* \rightarrow Ye^+e^- \text{ (via virtual massive } \gamma^*)$$

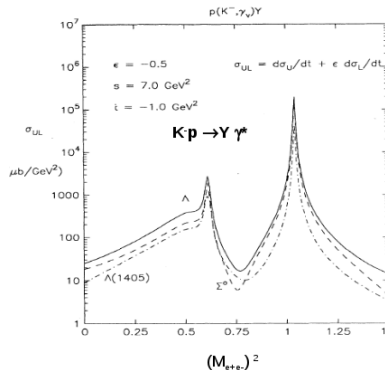
$$Q^2 = -q^2 = -(M_Y - M_\Lambda)^2$$

- ▶ measurement of time-like  $\gamma^*$  complementary to space-like  $\gamma$ 
  - ⇒ predicted to be sensitive to meson cloud effects
  - ⇒ coupling to Vector Mesons ( $\phi/\omega$  ( $s\bar{s}$  content!),  $\rho$ ) (Ramalho, Williams)
- ▶ **Dalitz Decays of non-strange baryons: EM Transition Form Factors (TFF)**



# Vector Meson Dominance model

Strong effects for hyperons predicted by VDM:



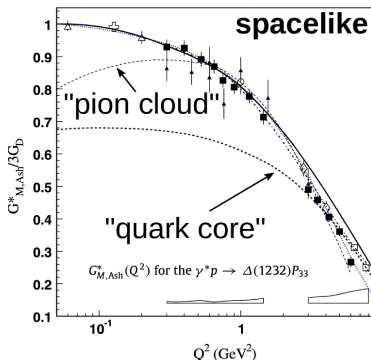
Williams, PRC48(1993)1318

$$d\Gamma(B \rightarrow N\gamma^*) \sim G_{QED}(Q^2)(a(l)G_{M/E}^2(q^2) + b(l)G_{E/M}^2(q^2) + c(\frac{q^2}{m^2})G_C^2(q^2))$$

# Internal structure of baryons

## Quark core - pion cloud model by Ramalho&Peña

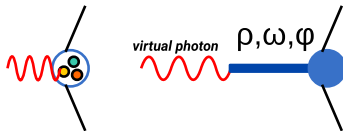
World data  $\Delta \rightarrow N\gamma^*$  (spacelike)



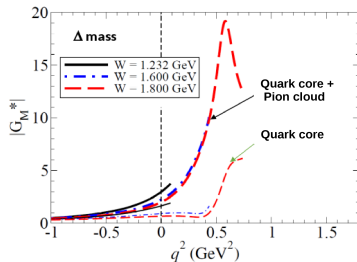
Aznauryan, Burkert, *Prog.Part.Nucl.Phys.* 67(2012)1-54

Big role of the pion cloud at small  $q^2$ !

quark core    pion cloud

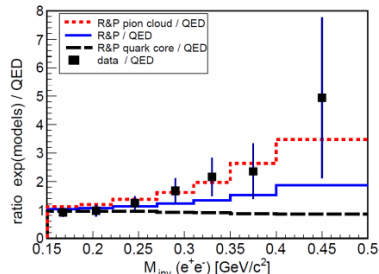


Theory:



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HADES data:  $\Delta \rightarrow N\gamma^*$  (timelike)



PRC95(2017)065205

In SU(3) flavour symmetry  $\Delta \rightarrow N\gamma^*$  equal to  $\Sigma^*(1385) \rightarrow \Lambda\gamma^*$