

Insights into molecular states and novel constraints for strange meson-baryon interactions with correlations at LHC

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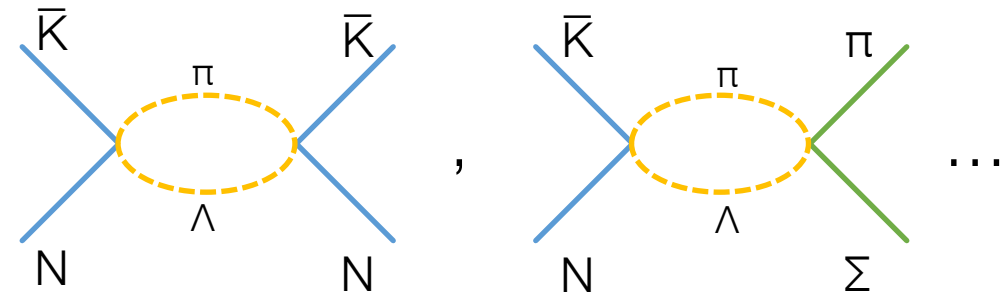


From Kyoto...to Kyoto.
In memory of Akira.

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Multi-strange meson-baryon systems and exotic states

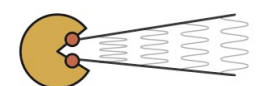
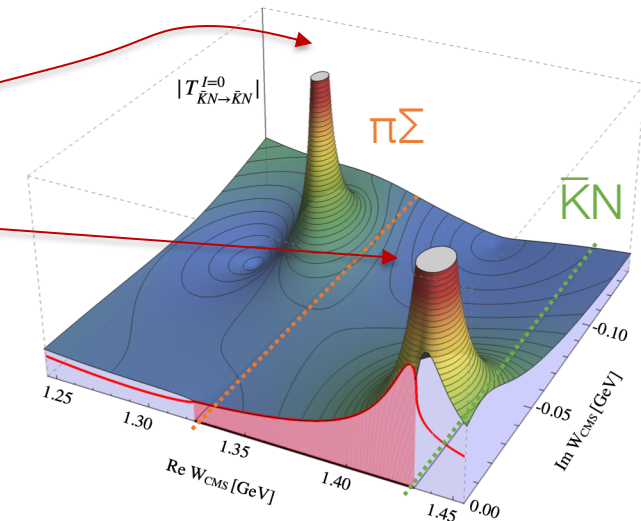
- Interactions between **mesons and baryons involving strangeness**
 - Possibility to study nature and properties of **exotic states**
- Presence of a **rich coupled-channel dynamics**
 - Systems sharing same quantum numbers (B,S,Q), relatively close in mass
 - On- and off-shell processes from one channel to the other



- Several candidates for exotic states with **molecular nature**
 - Typically observed close to channel thresholds
 - Main example given by the **two-pole $\Lambda(1405)$ state**

J. M.M. Hall et al. PRL 114 (2015) 13
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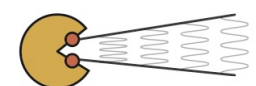
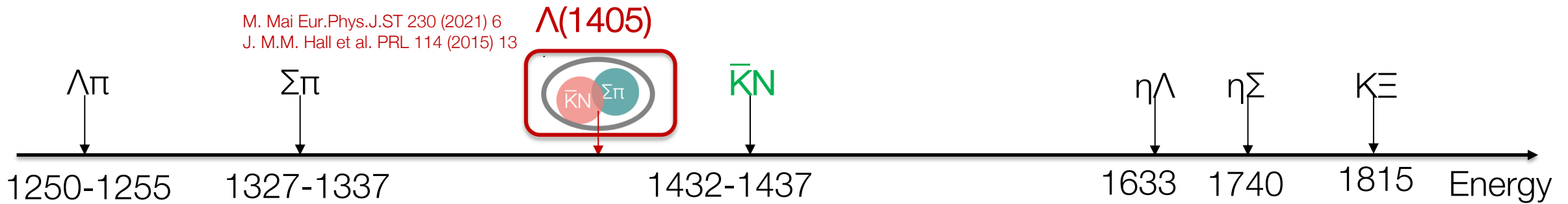
Today we will focus on
 strange molecular states!



Strange molecular states and where to find them

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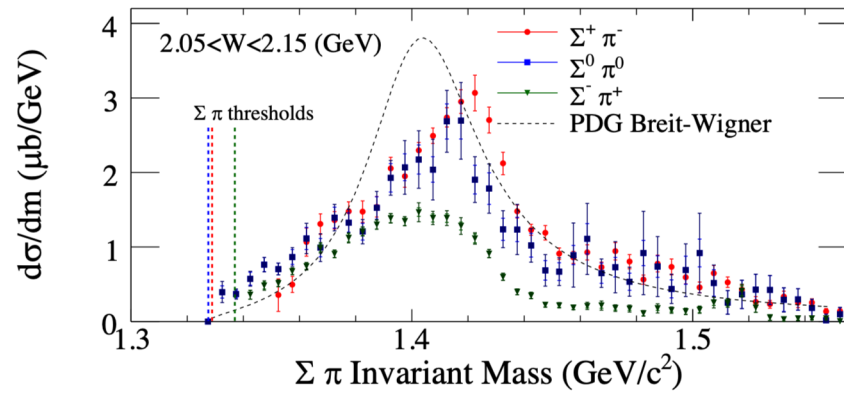
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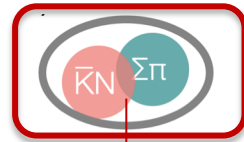
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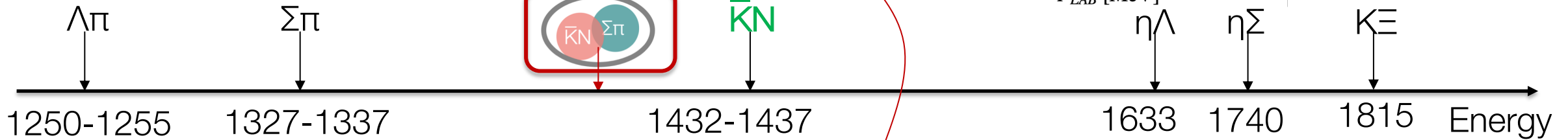
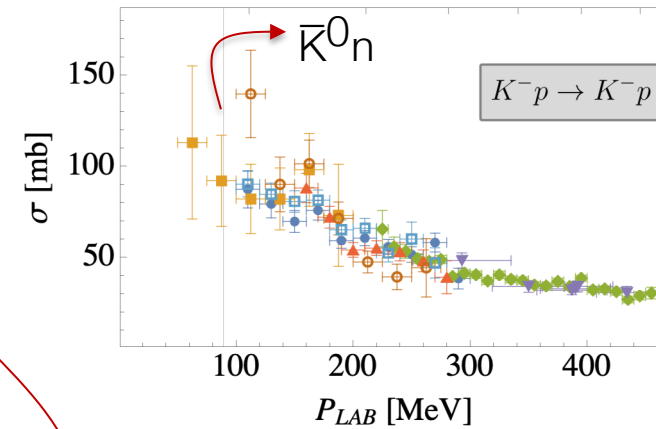
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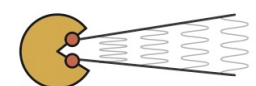
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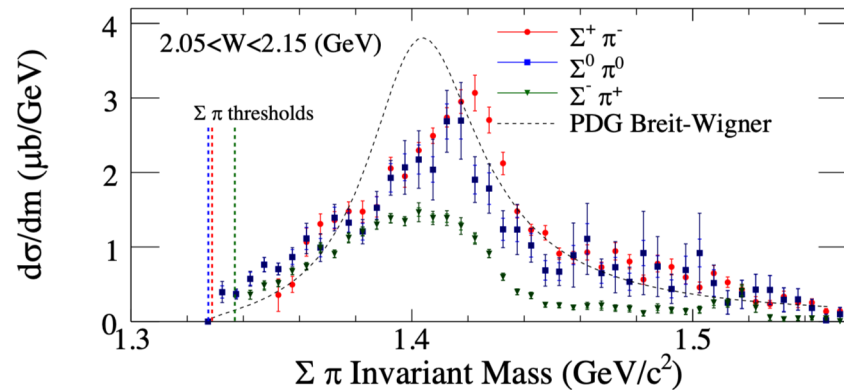
Need for high-precision data close to $\bar{K}N$ threshold!!



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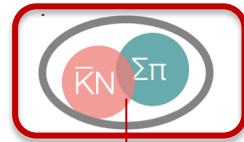
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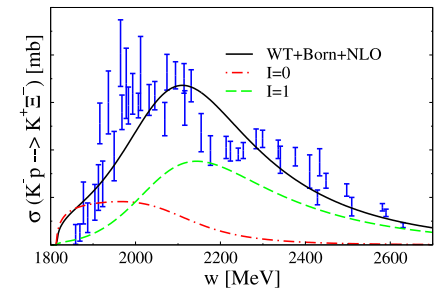
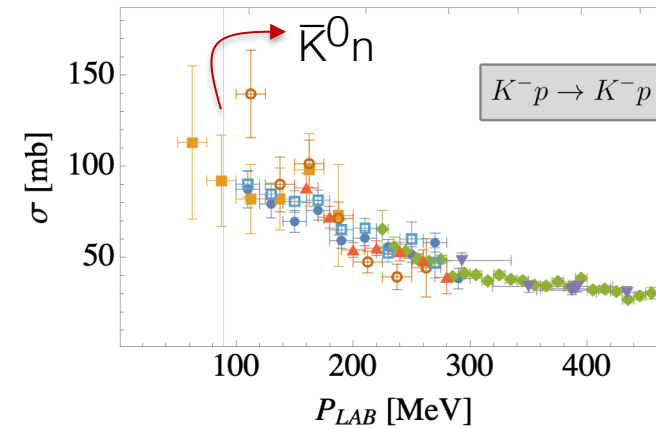
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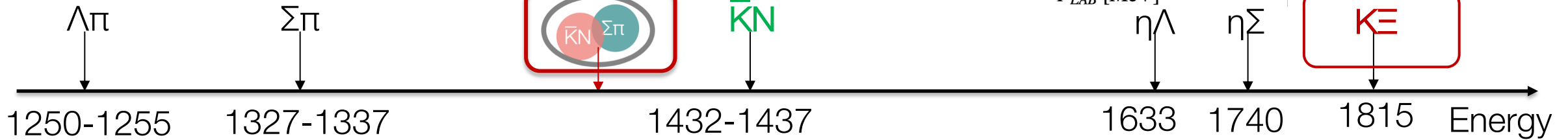
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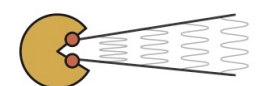
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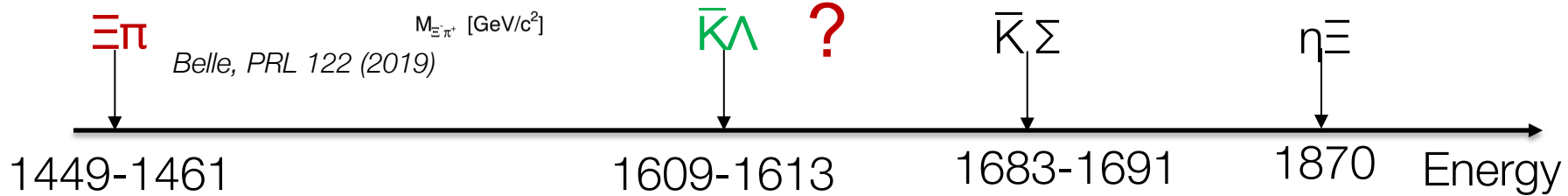
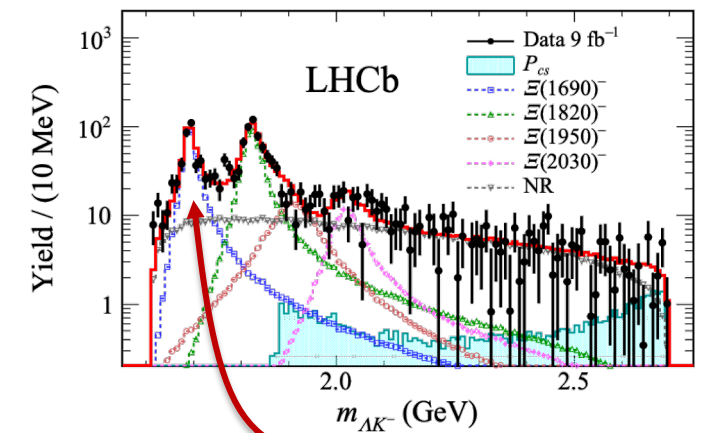
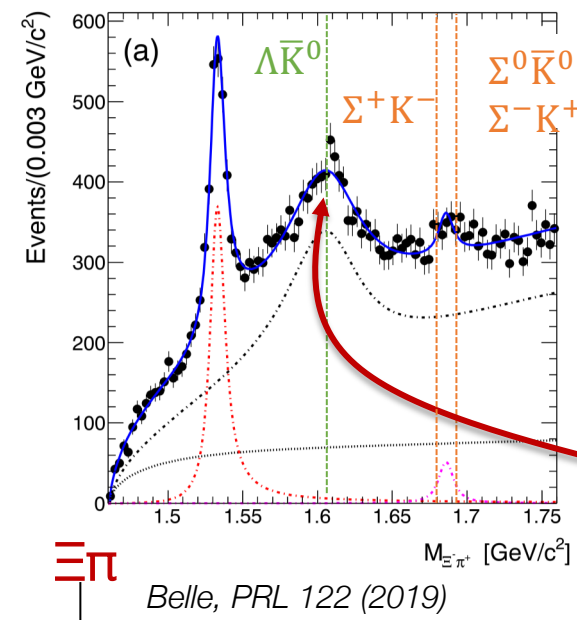
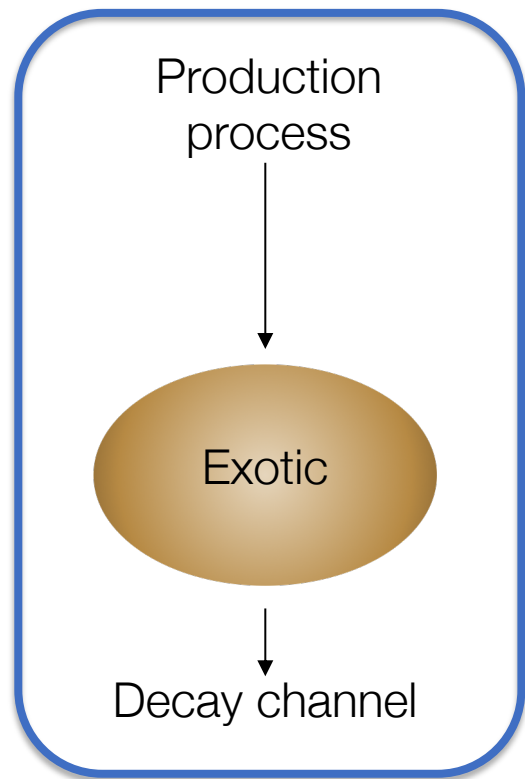


Need for experimental constraints on as many channels as possible!



More strange molecular states and where to find them

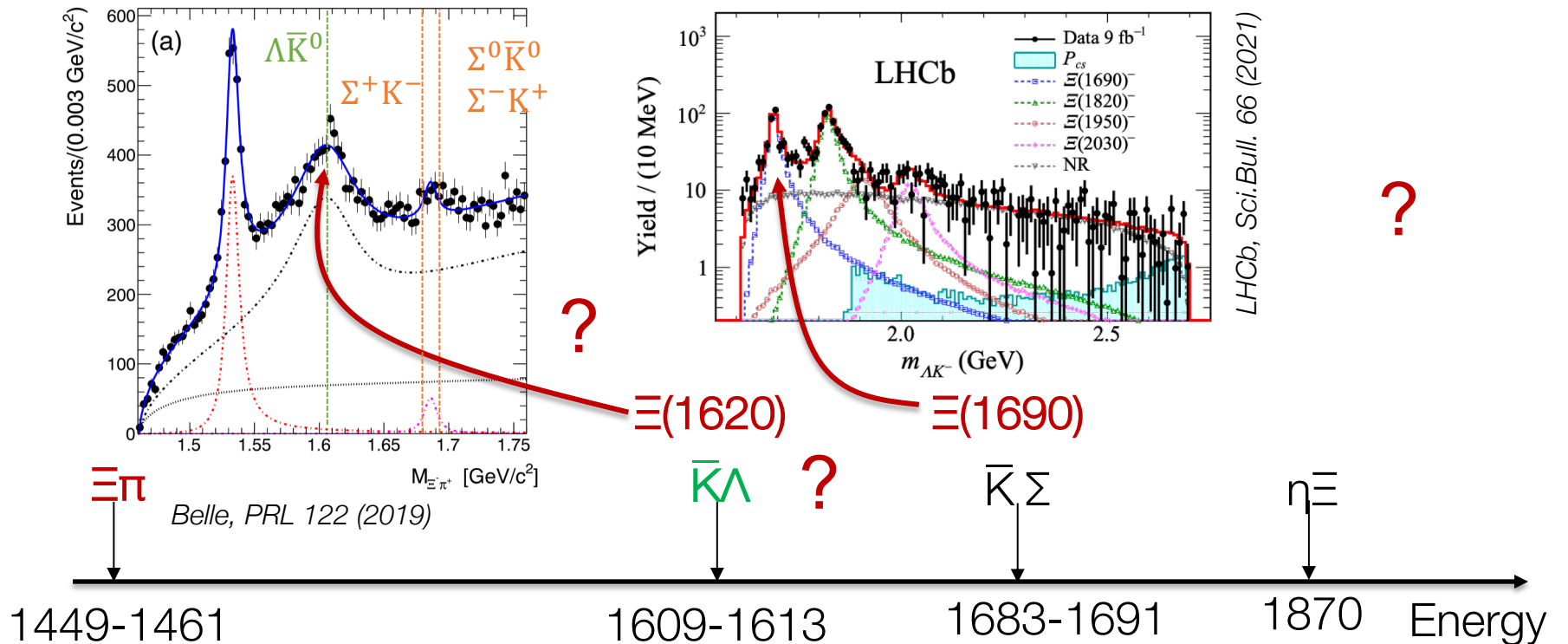
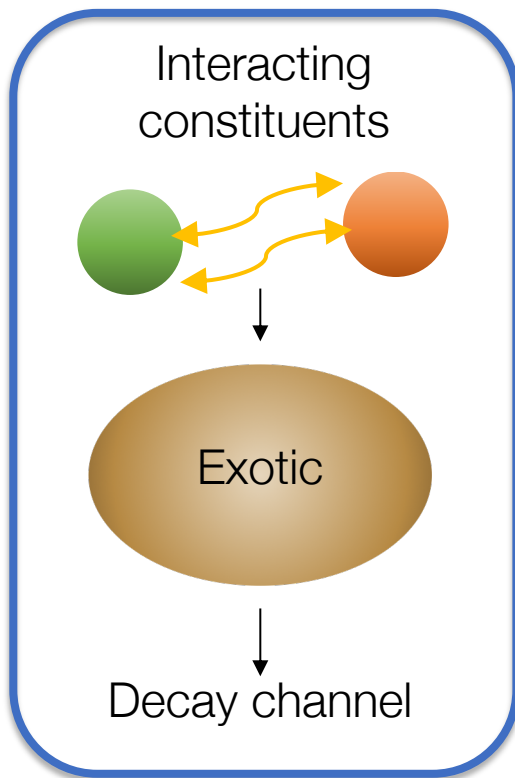
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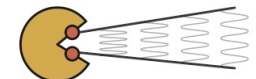
Combine different production mechanisms/decay channels to reveal the state's nature

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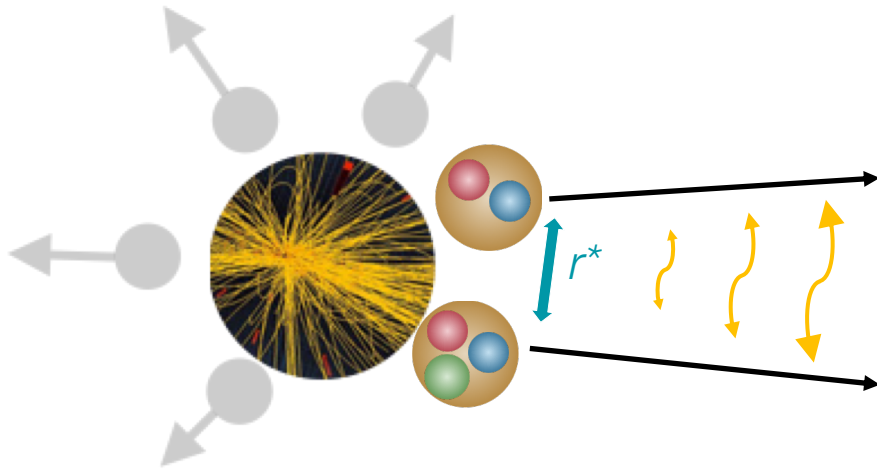
Accessing the interaction between the constituents



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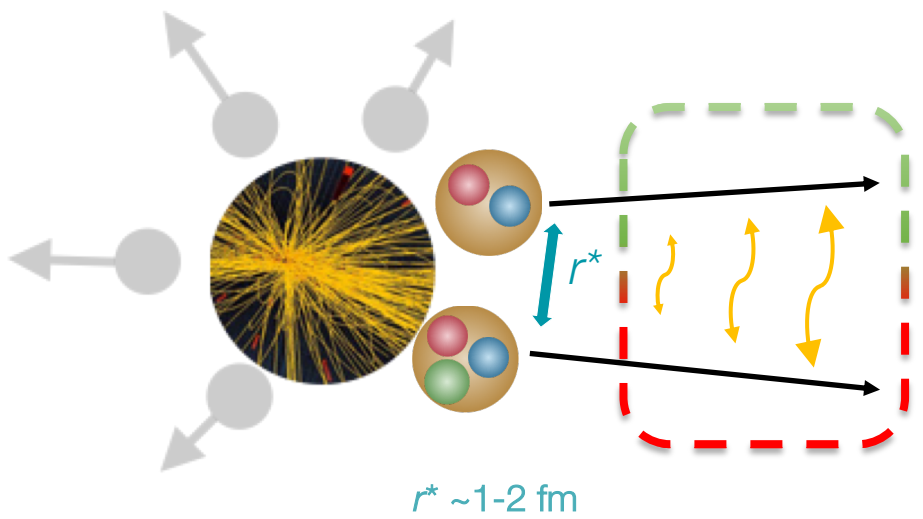
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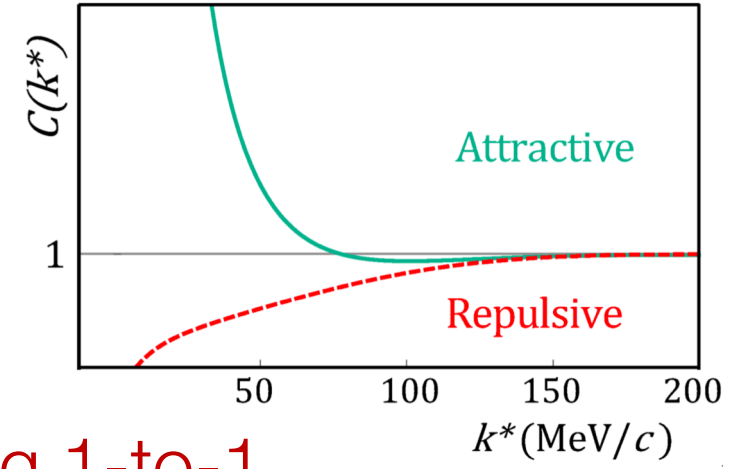
Koonin-Pratt equation
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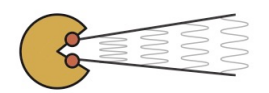
Interaction



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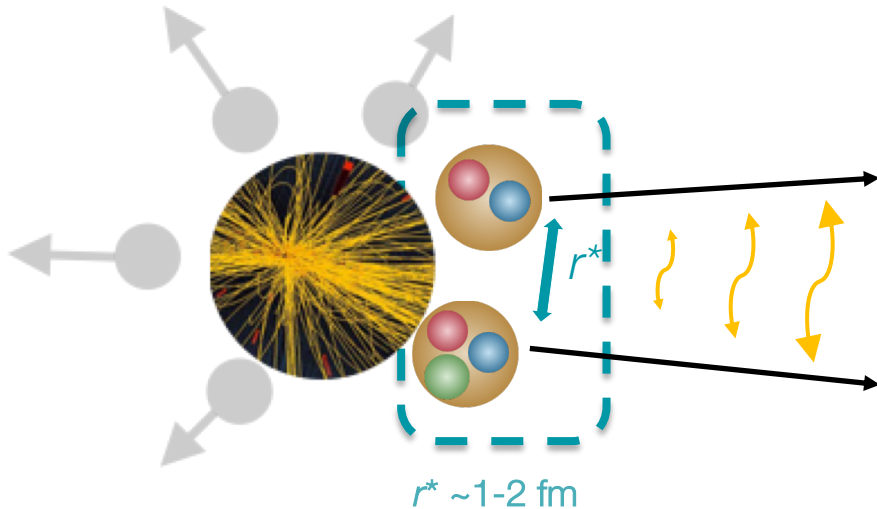
Correlation mapping 1-to-1
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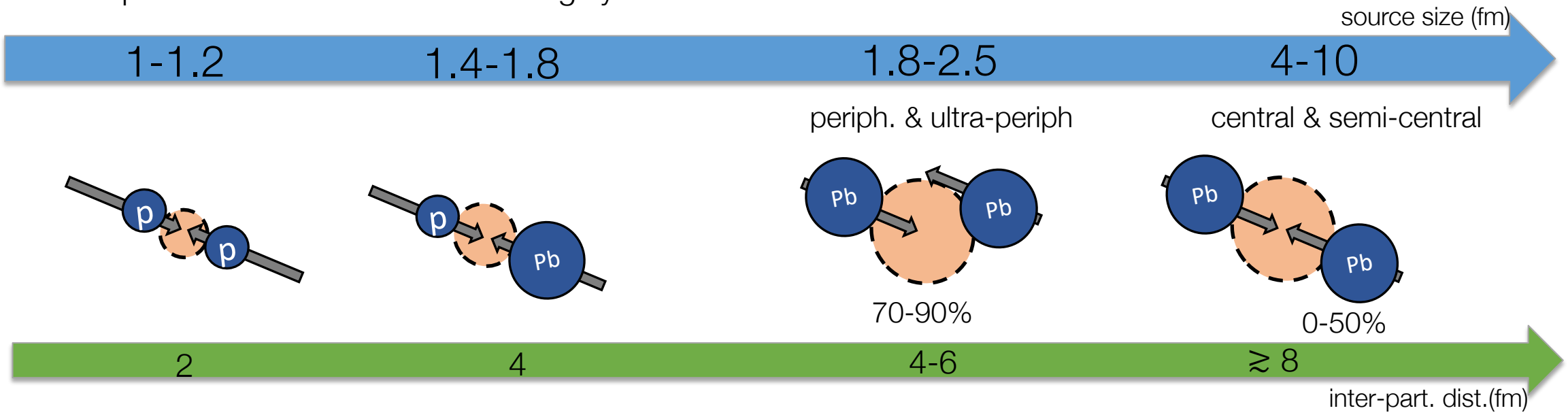
- It tells us on average at which relative r_{AB}^* distances the particles A and B are produced
- Acting as a probability density function in r^*
 → How much $|\psi(\vec{k}^*, \vec{r}^*)|^2$ do we sample?
- It depends on the collision system

What ranges of inter-particle distances are we probing at LHC?

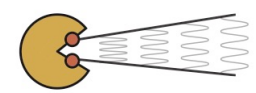
Small and large colliding systems at LHC: from pp to Pb-Pb

By changing the colliding system

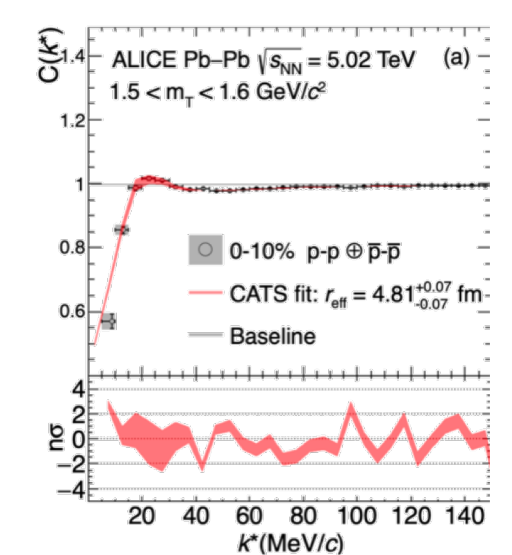
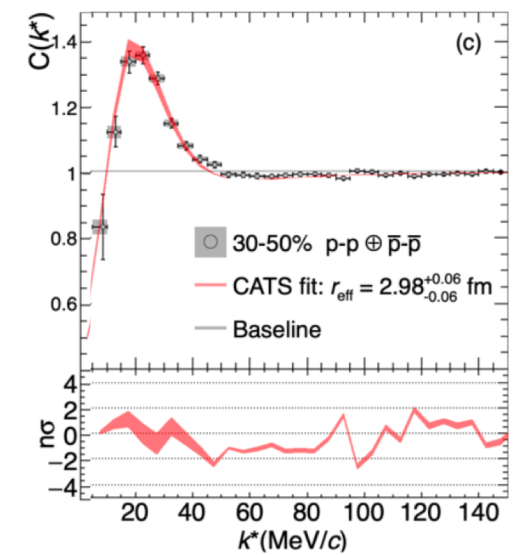
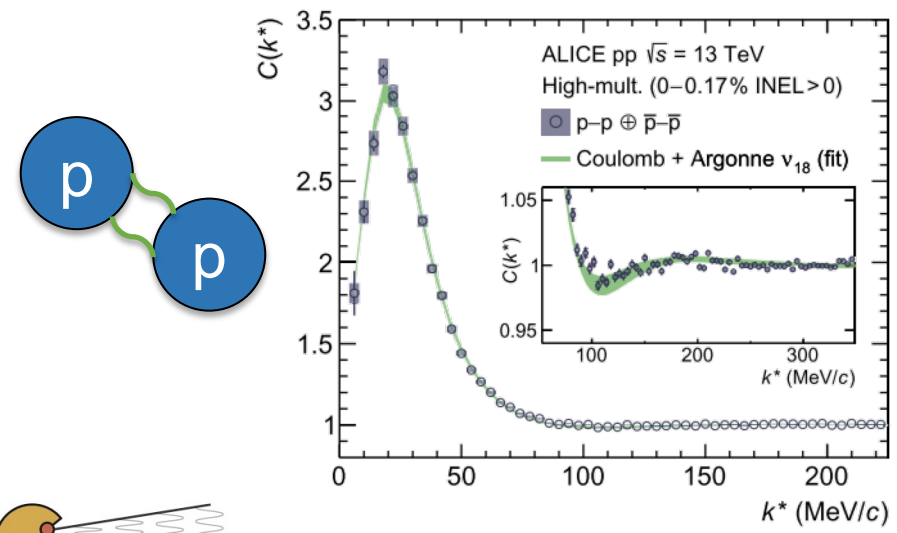
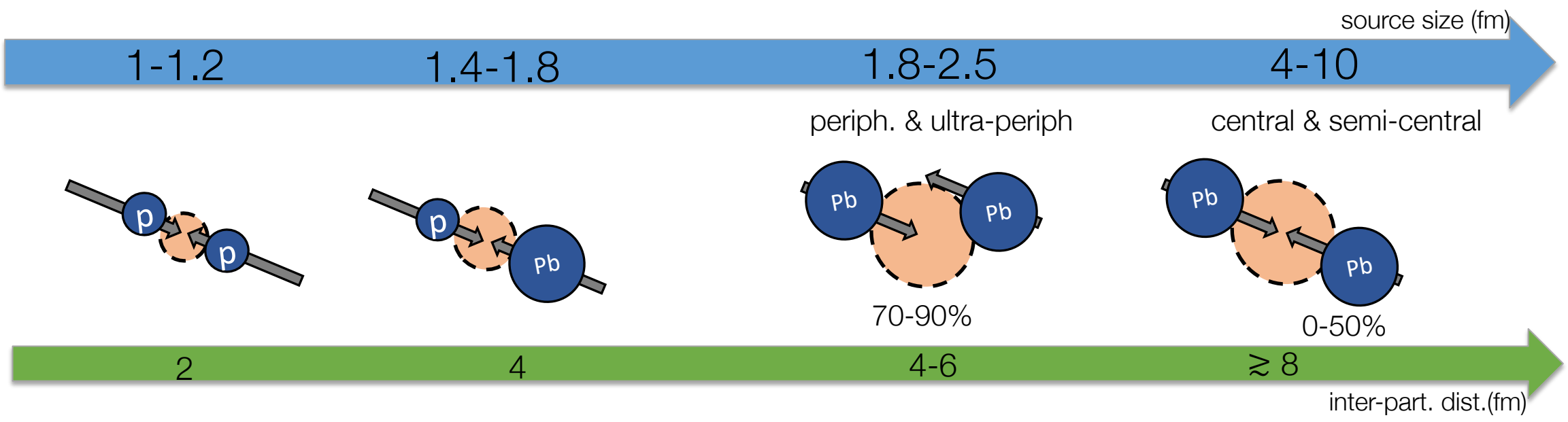
- Probe source sizes ranging from 1 fm up to 10 fm
- Interparticle distances from 2 to roughly 20 fm



How does the signal in the correlation function changes with the source size?

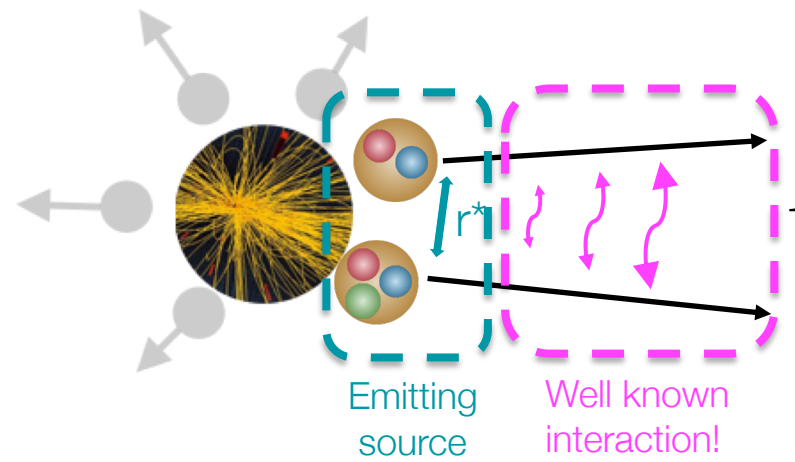


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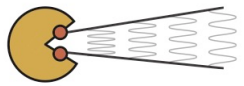
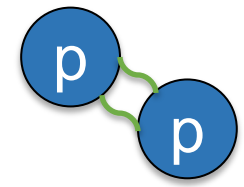
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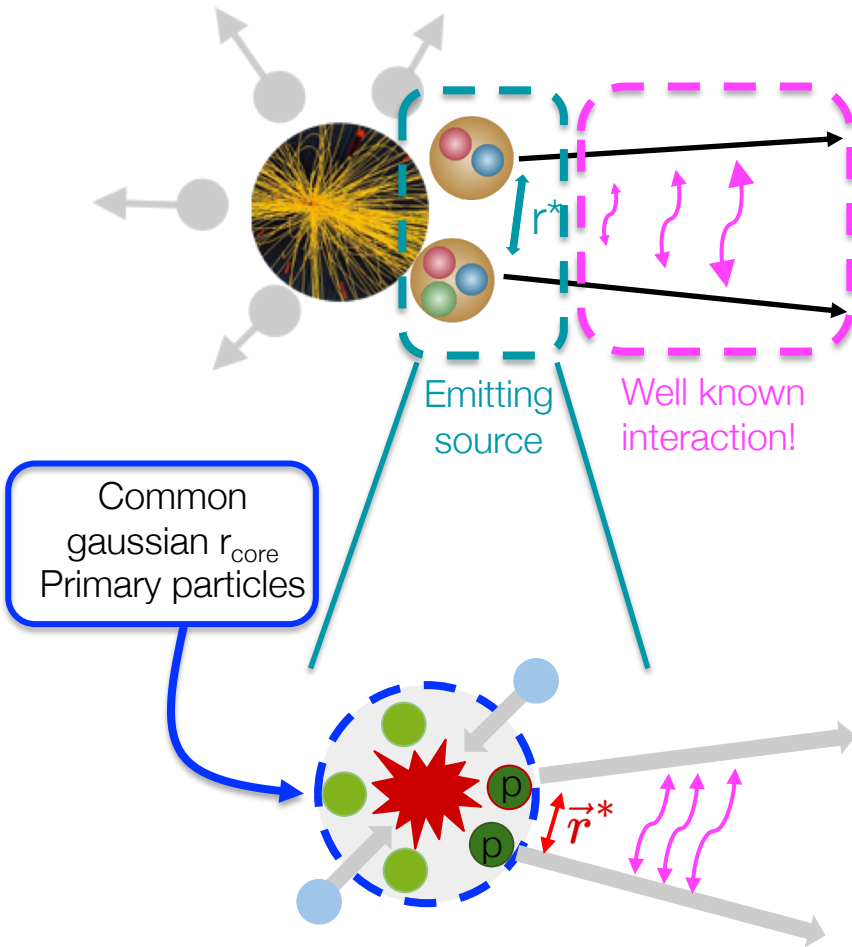
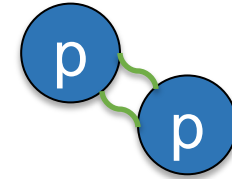
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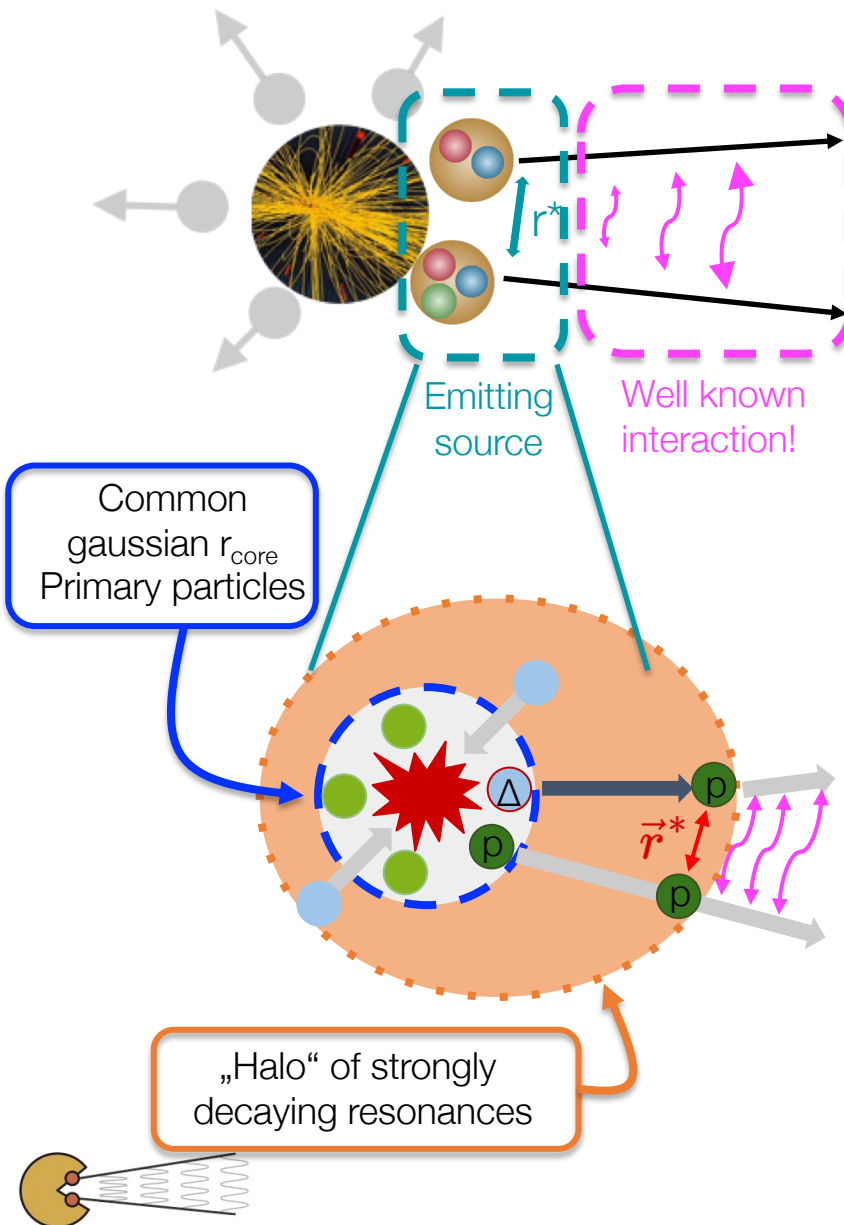
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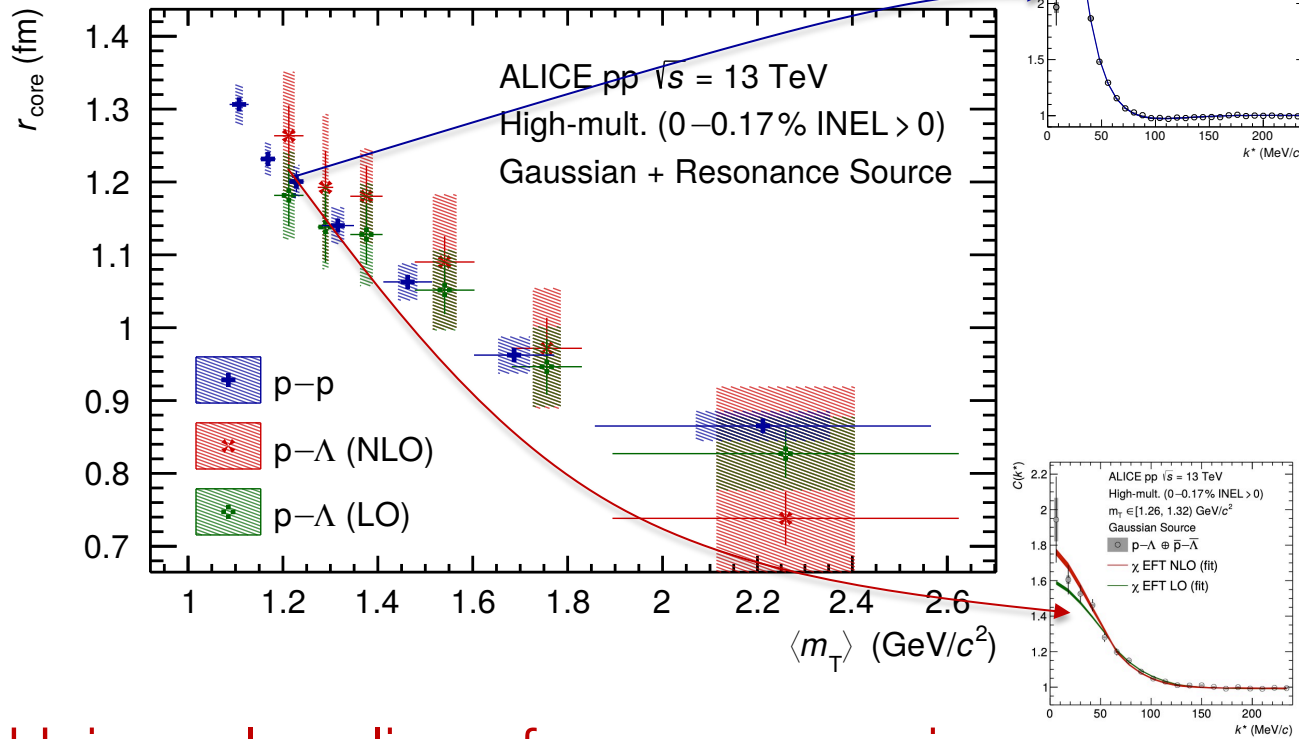
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 - Depending only on the mass of the pair
- **Strongly decaying resonances with $\sigma\tau \sim 1-2$ fm ($\Delta \rightarrow p\pi$)**
 - Tail at large r^* , effect. enlarging the source
 - Depending on the particles in the pair

Let's test our source hypothesis on the data!

The (common) emitting source in small colliding systems

Baryon-baryon pairs

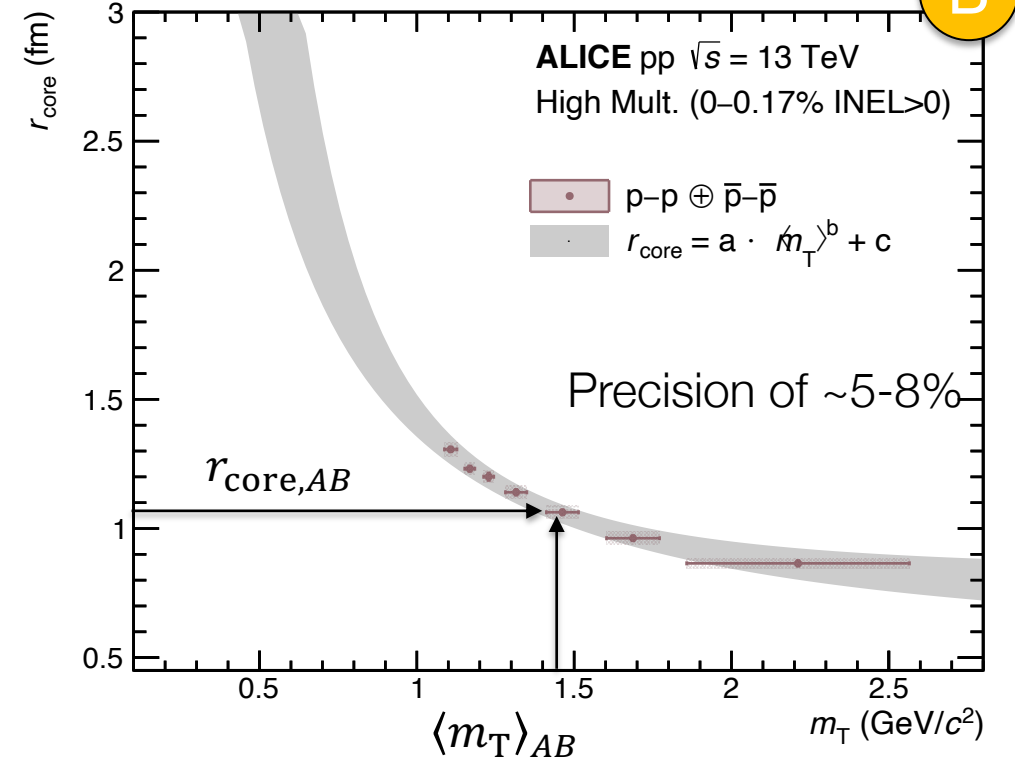
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Universal scaling of core source size observed for baryons

Similar results obtained in Mihaylov, Gonzalez EPJC 83 (2023)

Recipe to fix the source

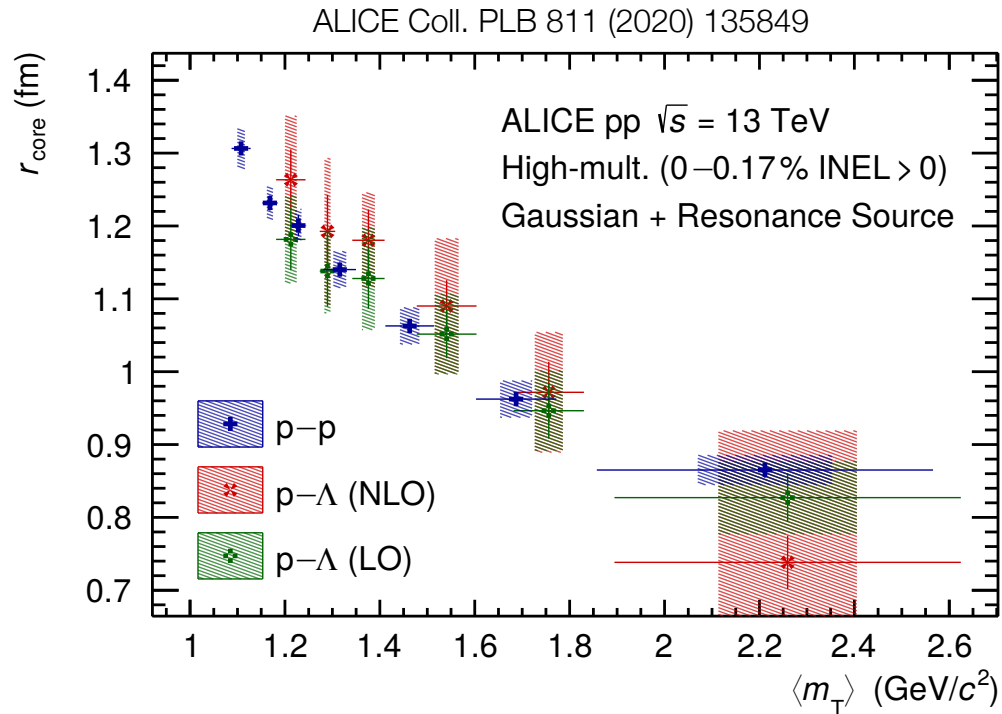


- Resonances yields and kinematics from thermal and transport models constrained to the dataset properties (e.g. multiplicity)

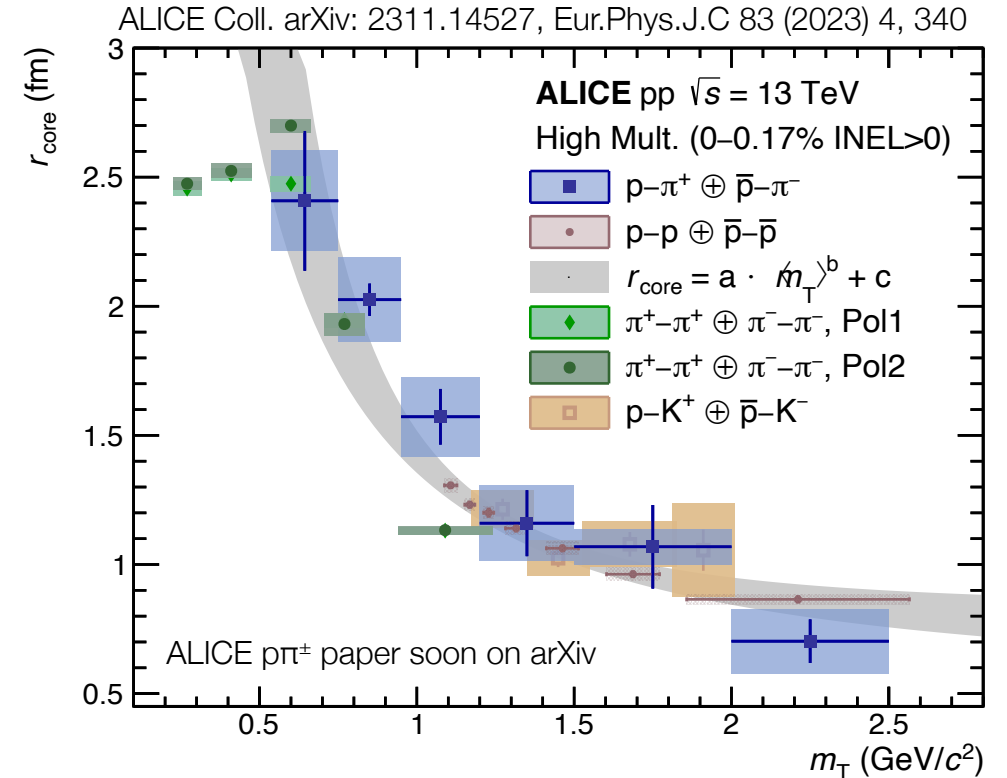
Interesting studies using a dynamical source on p ϕ CF: Kuroki, Hirano arXiv:2410.01204

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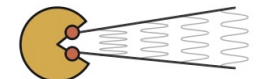


Meson-baryon and meson-meson pairs



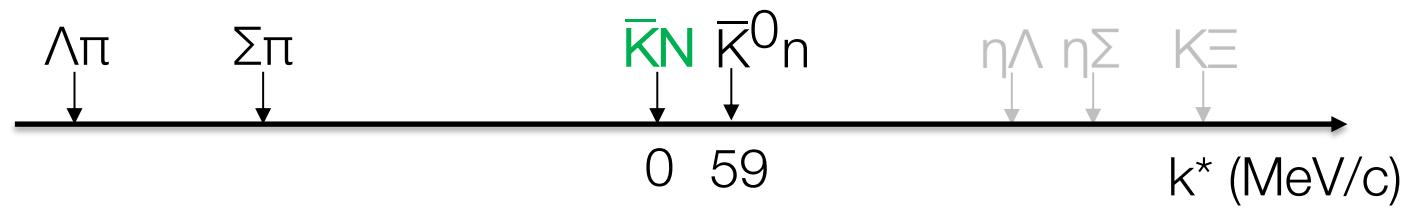
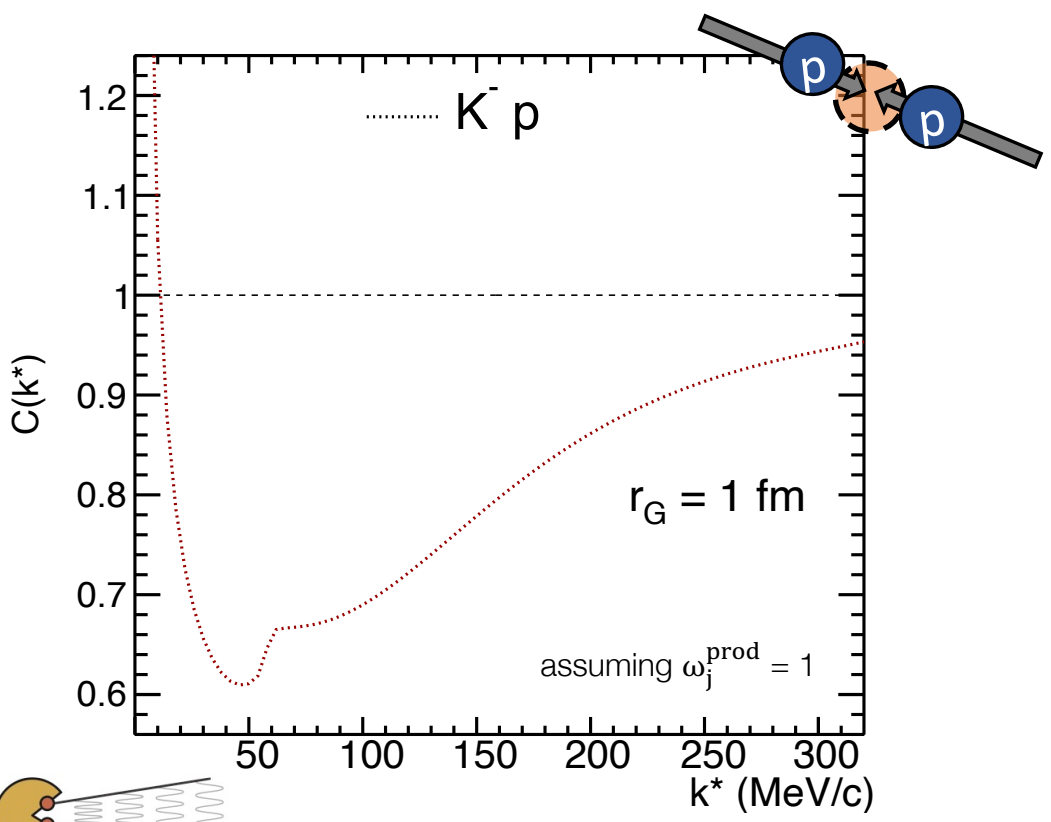
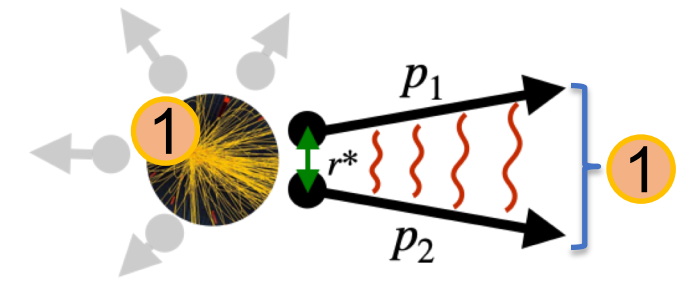
Observation of a common emitting source for hadrons in pp collisions

Similar approach tested on p-p correlations in Pb-Pb by ALICE will become available soon!!



Coupled-channels dynamics in femtoscopy

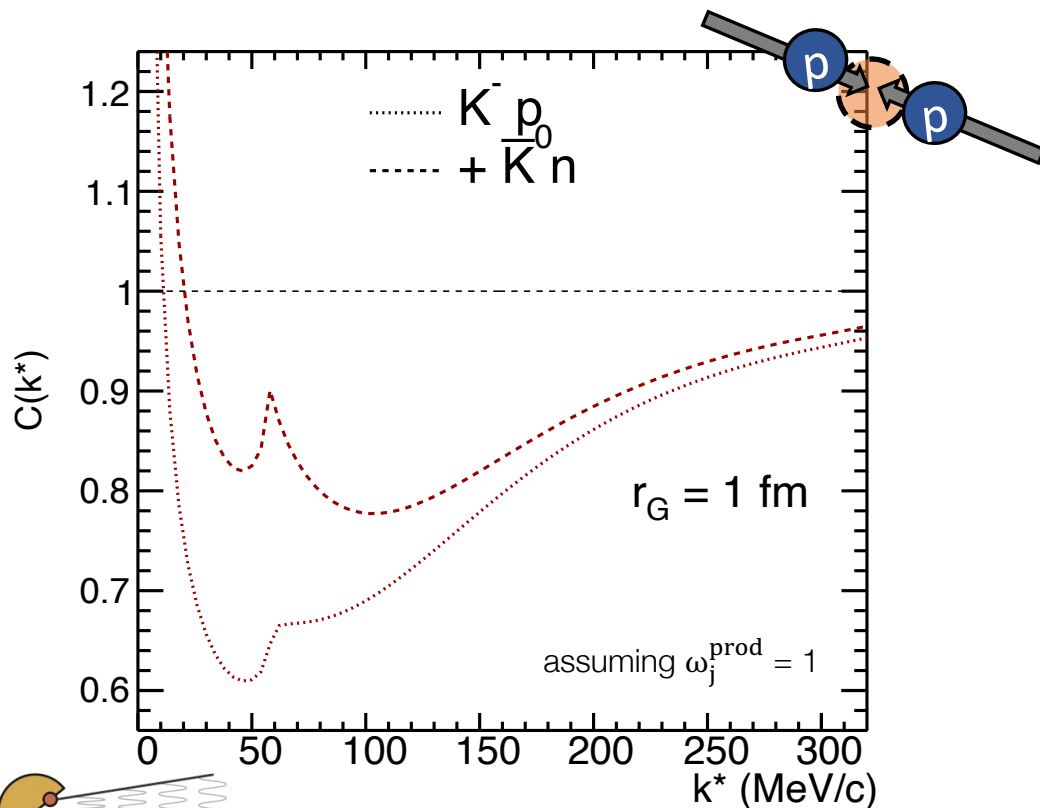
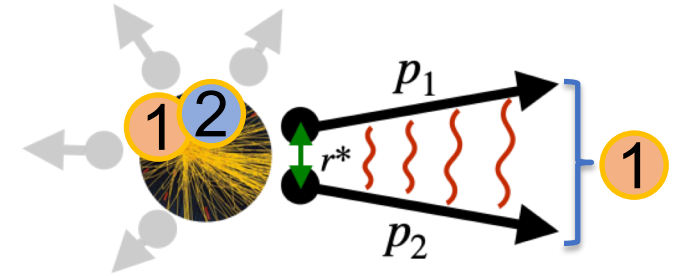
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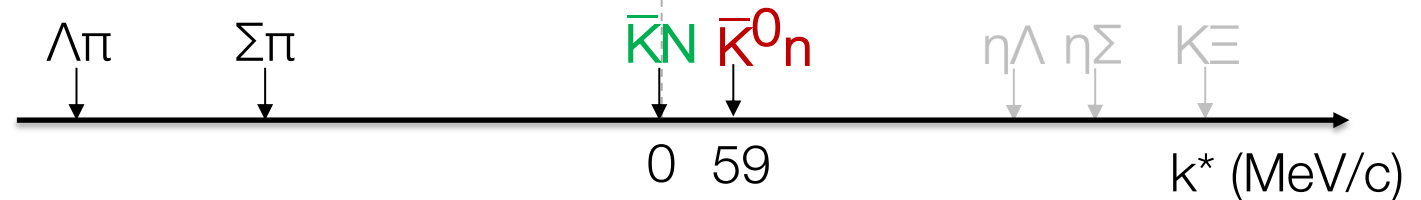
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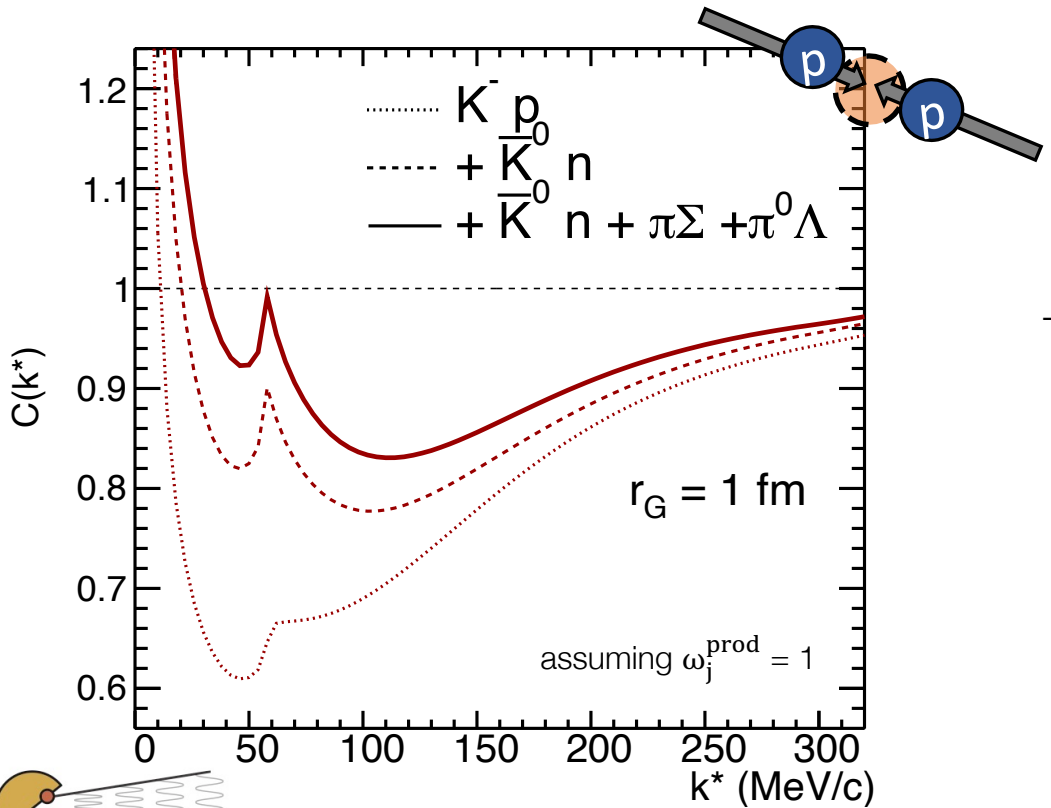
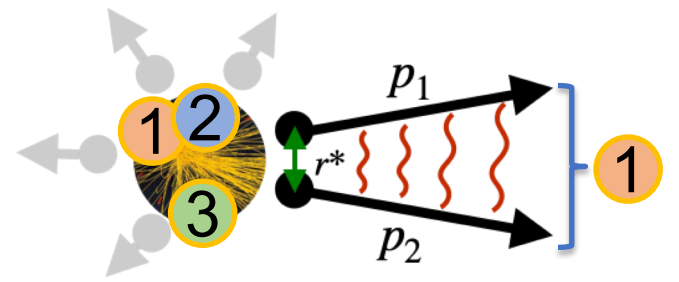
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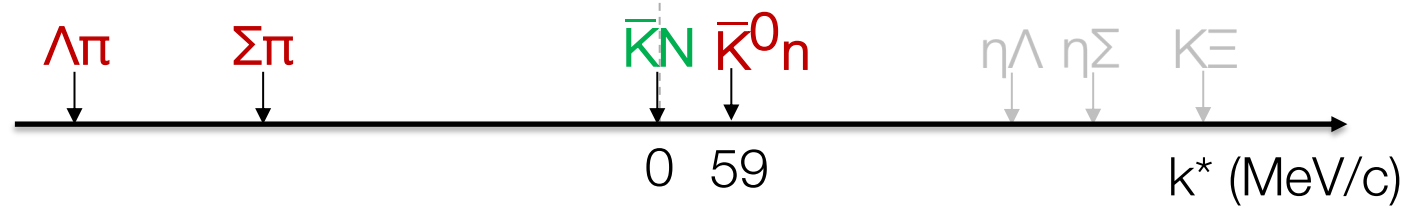
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Below threshold:
increase the strength of CF
→ shift upward of CF e.g. $\Sigma\pi$

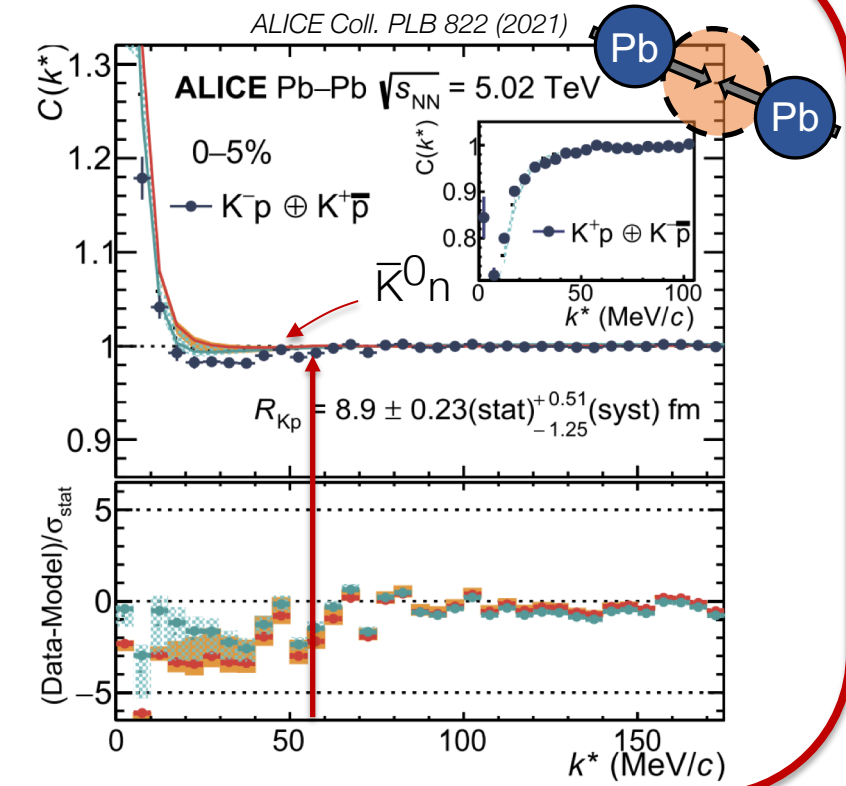
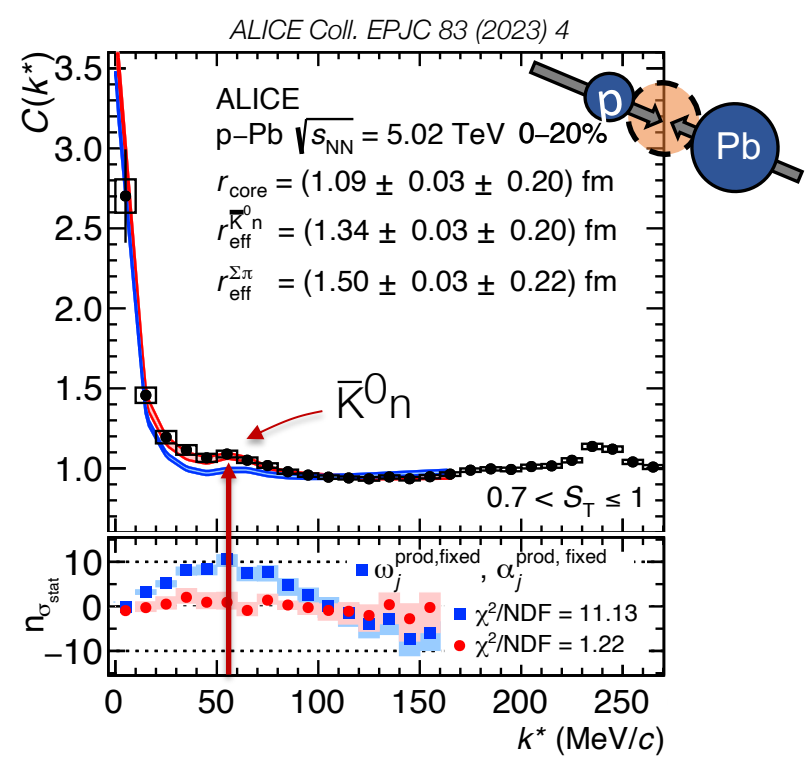
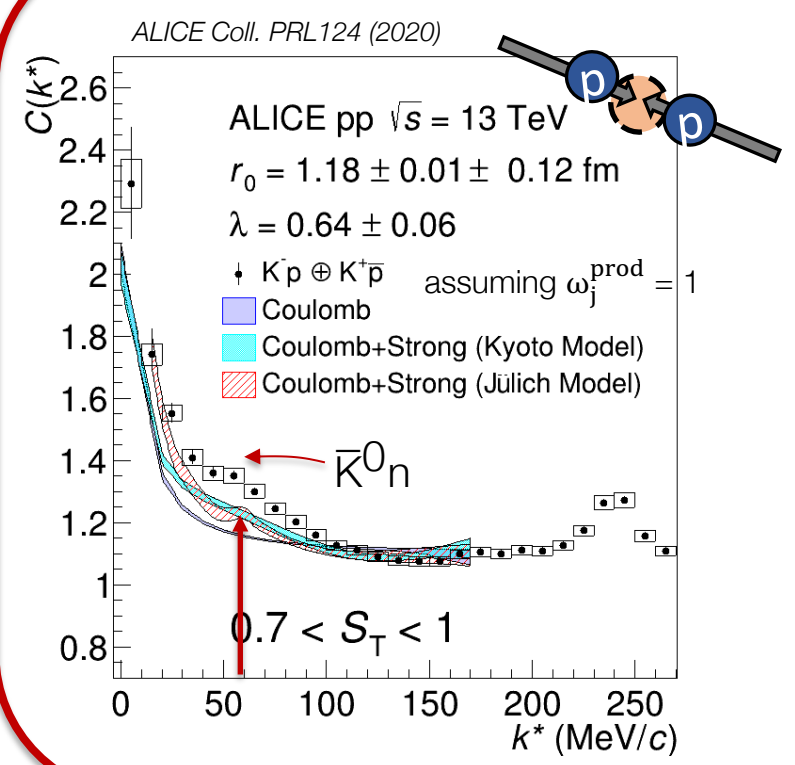
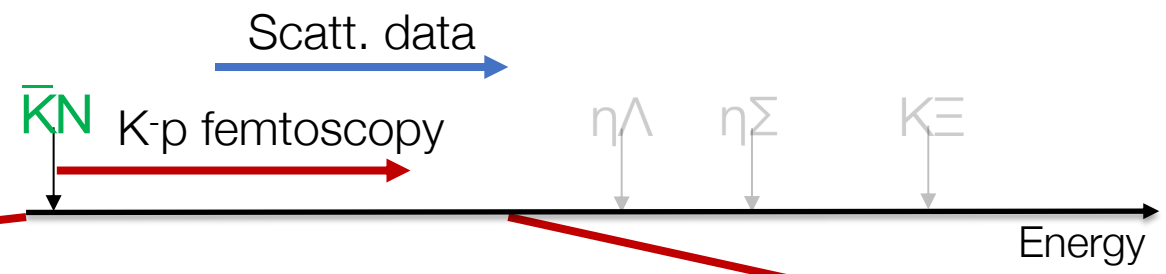
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High-precision data on S=-1 sector above threshold

- **Most precise data** above K-p threshold
- Crucial input for low-energy chiral effective potentials

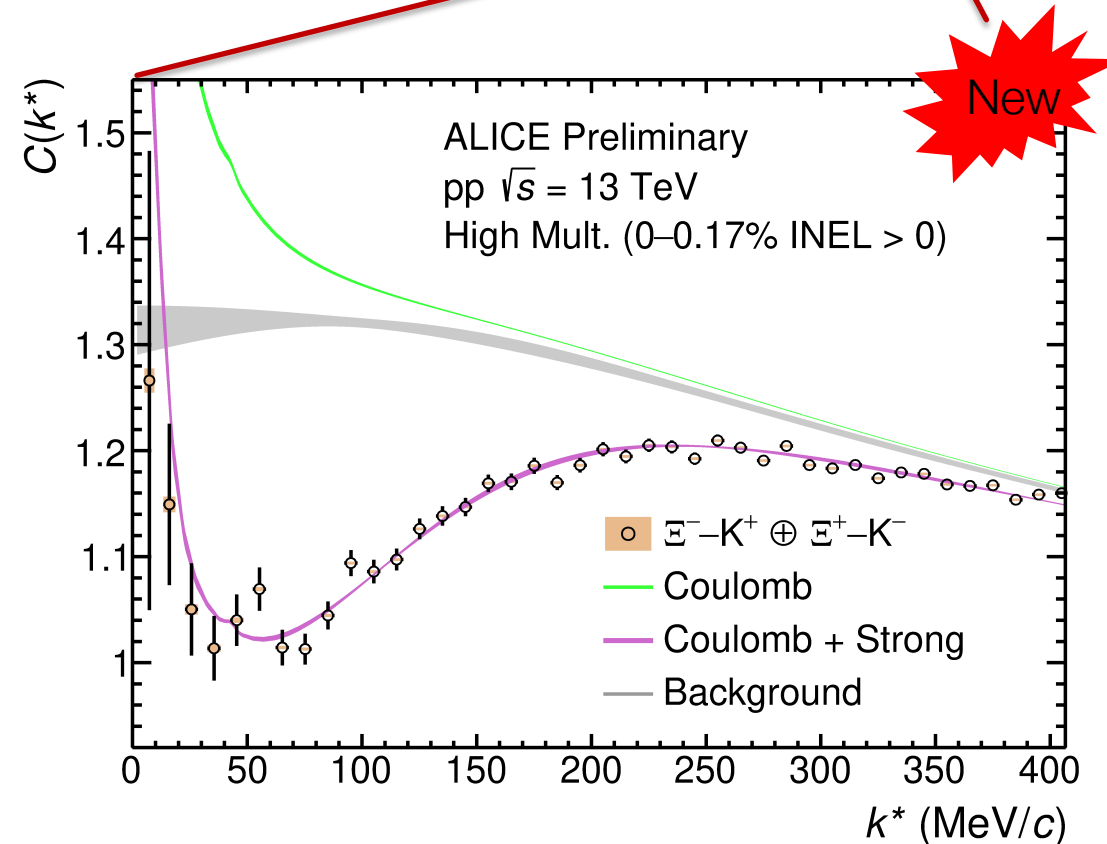
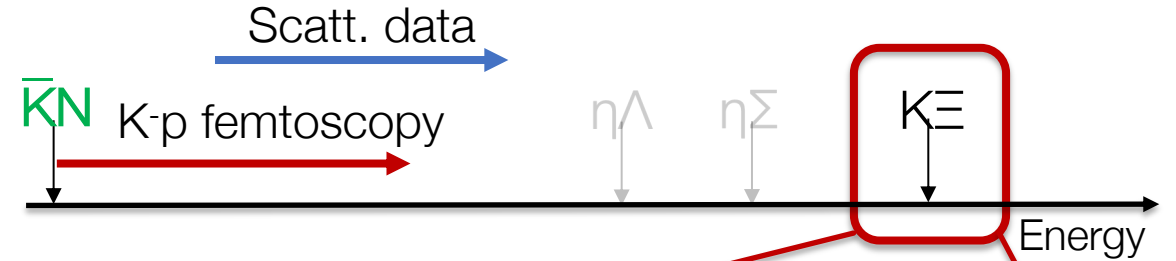


Accessing the $\Xi^- K^+$ system with femtoscopy

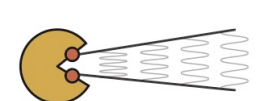
- **Most precise data at low momenta** on the interaction between Ξ and kaons
 - Input also for heavy Λ^* and Σ^* resonances
- Modeled assuming Lednicky-Lyuboshits wavefunction with Coulomb (S-wave only)
 - **Coulomb + strong repulsive interaction** well in agreement with the data
- Determination of scattering length from best fit

$$\Re f_0 = -0.61_{\pm 0.02(stat)}_{\pm 0.07(syst)}$$

$$\Im f_0 = \mathbf{0.41}_{\pm 0.04(stat)}_{\pm 0.11(syst)}$$

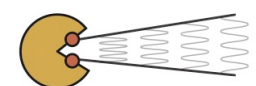
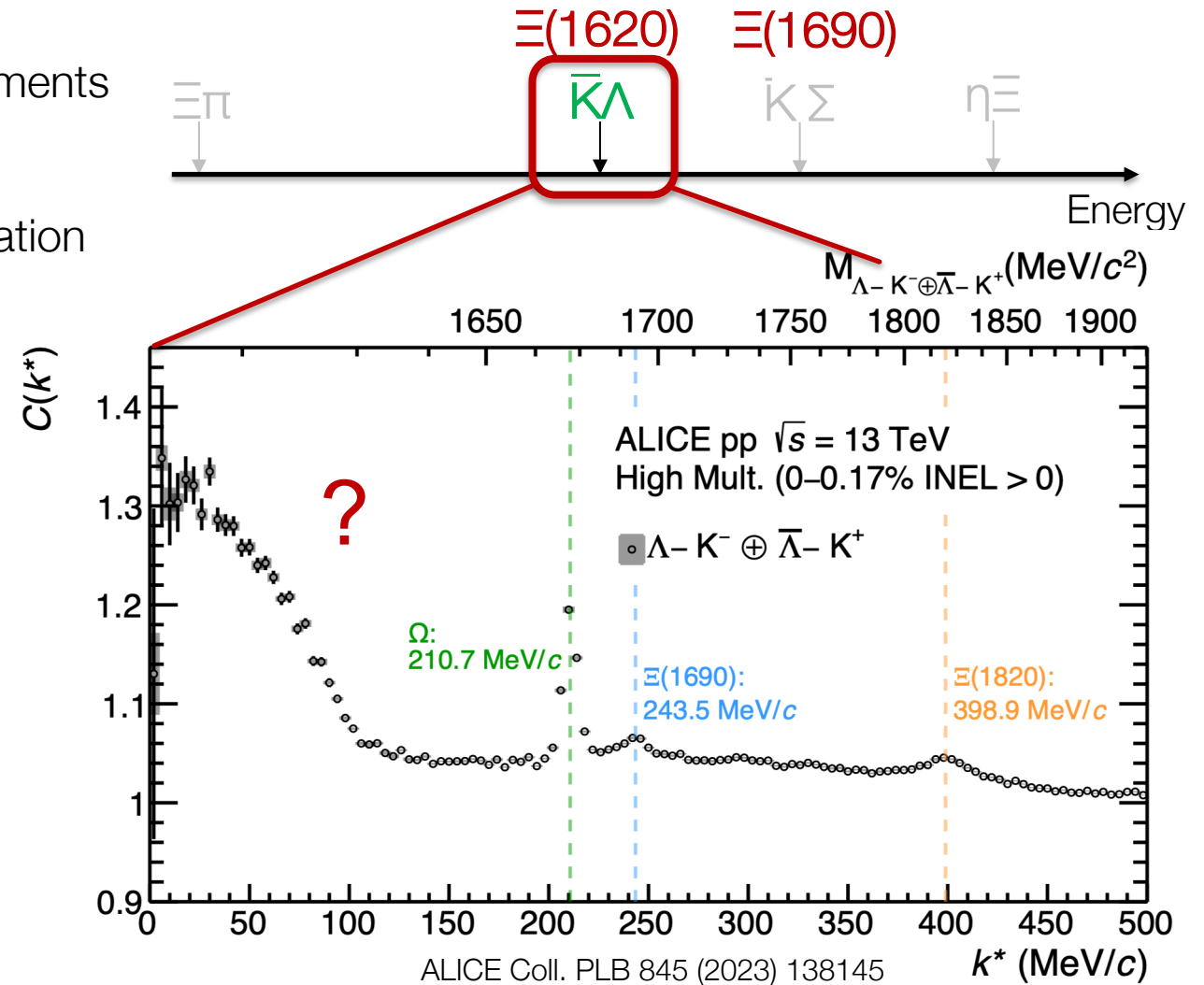


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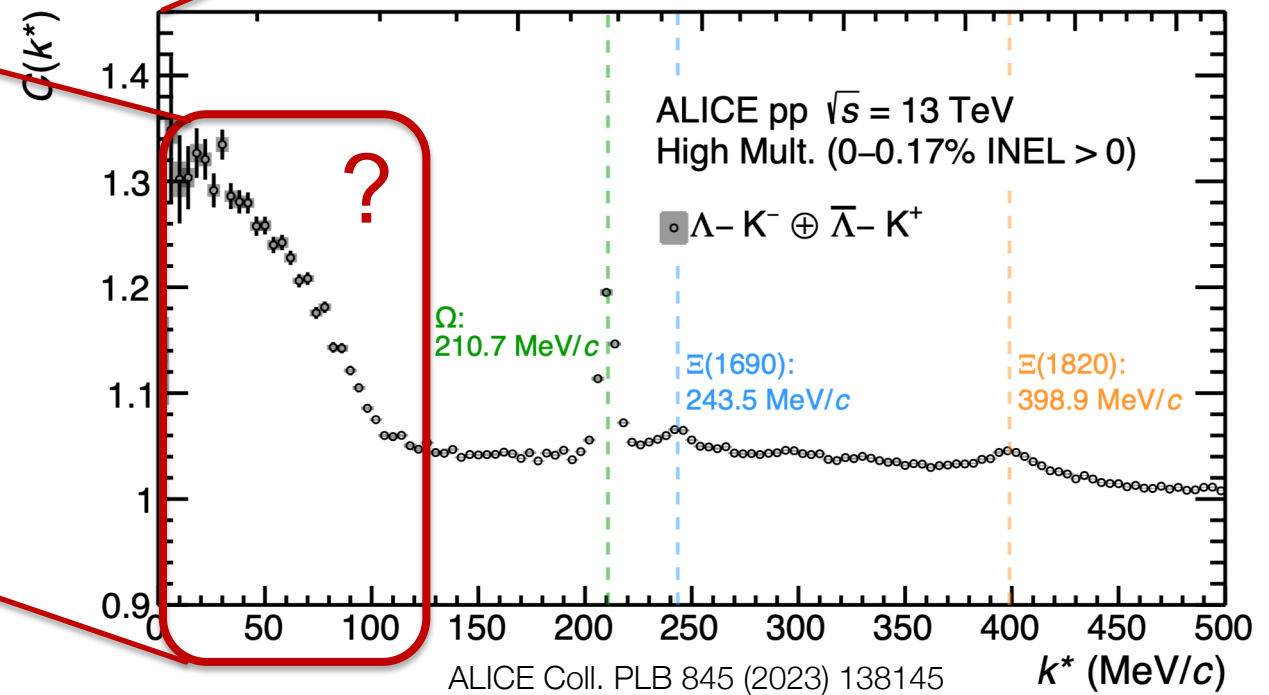
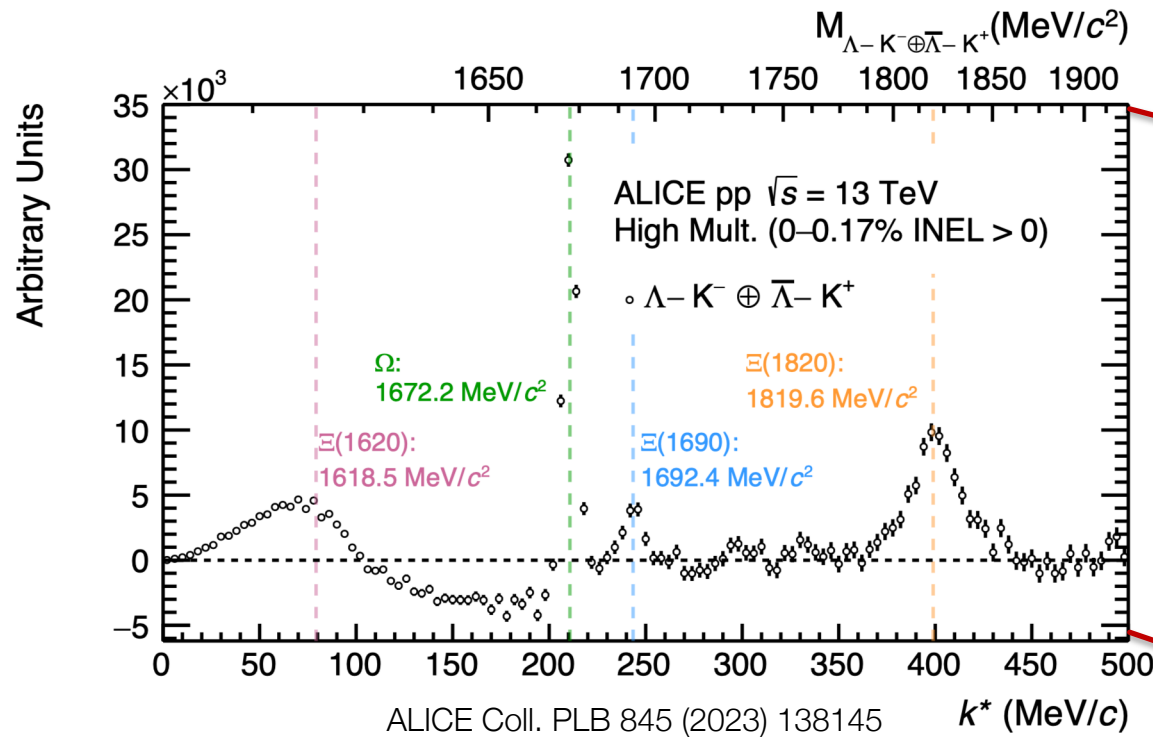
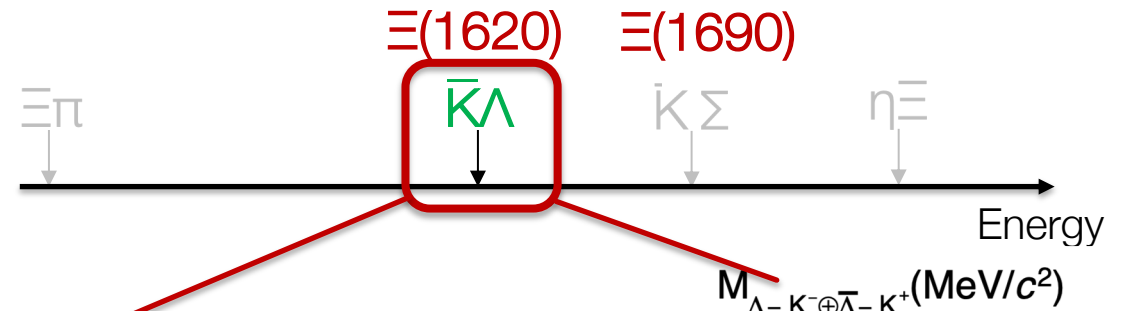
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- Several structures present in the measured correlation



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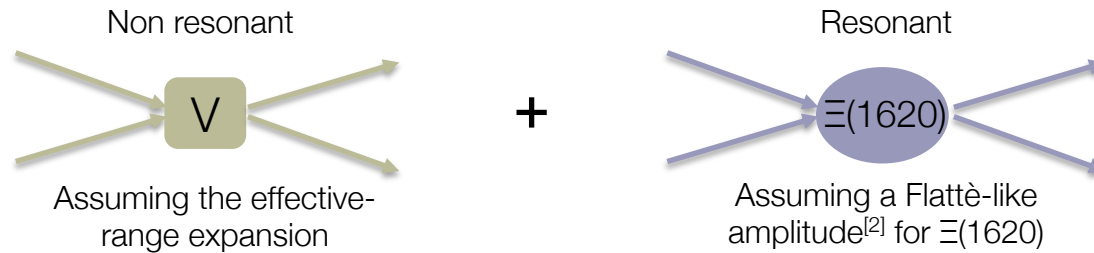
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First experimental evidence of $\Xi(1620)$ decay into ΛK^-

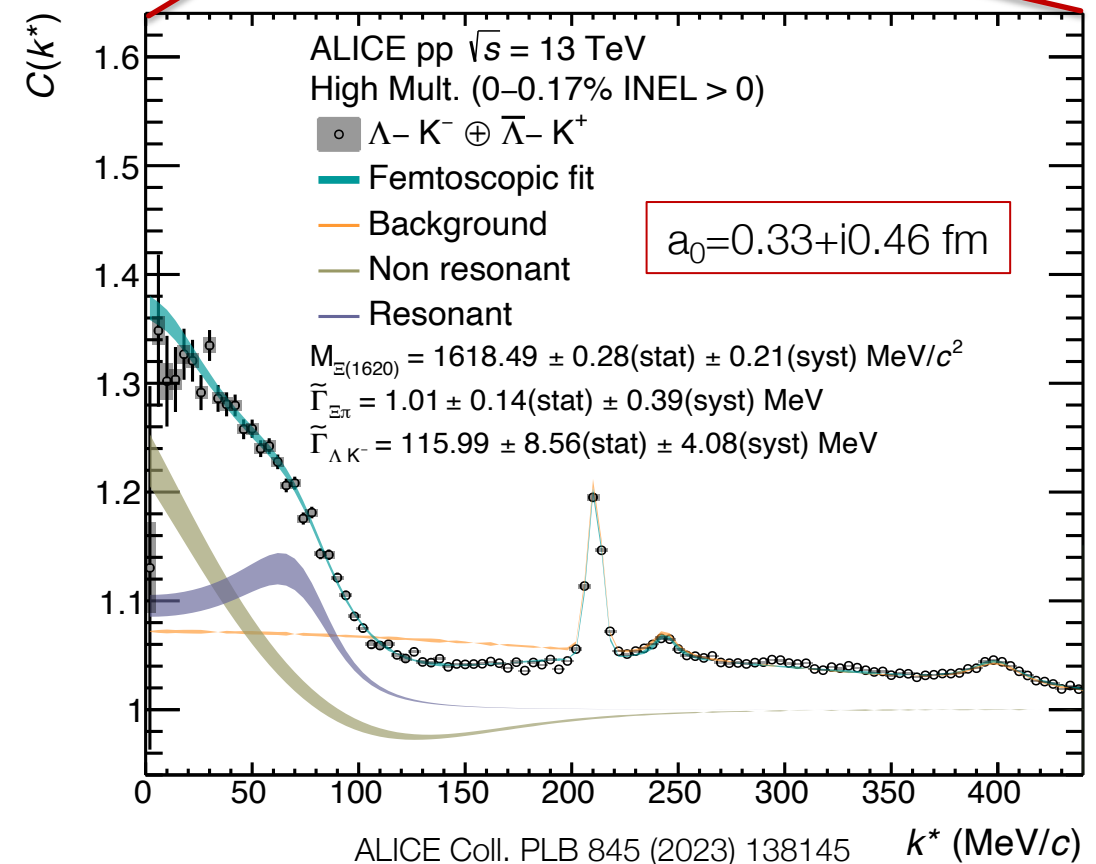
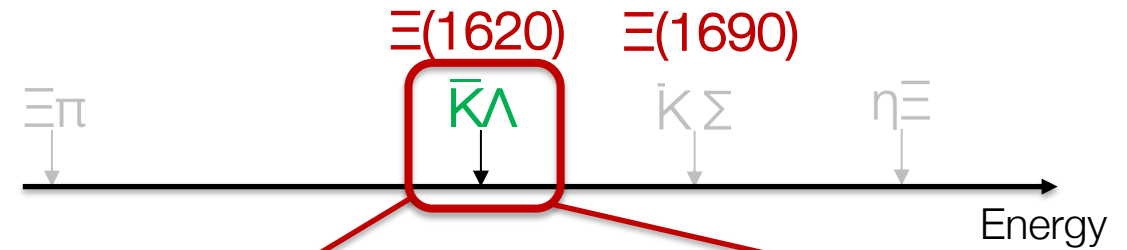
$K^- \Lambda$ correlations and the $S=-2$ meson-baryon sector

- Most precise data on $K^- \Lambda$ down to zero momenta
- Data modeled assuming effective scattering amplitude^[1]



- $\Xi(1620)$ properties and scattering parameters overall in agreement with Belle and Pb-Pb results
 - Indication of a large coupling of $\Xi(1620)$ to ΛK^-

Can we use these femtoscopic data to constrain effective QCD models and investigate the $\Xi(1620)$ nature?



[1] R. Lednicky, V. Lyuboshits SJNP 35 (1982)

[2] F. Giacosa et al. EPJA 57 (2021), 12, 336

Femtoscscopy era in the S=-2 meson-baryon sector

- First **combined effort in constraining** the low-energy constants (and subtraction constants) of an **effective chiral lagrangian to correlation data**

$$C(k^*) = \int S_1(\vec{r}^*) |\psi_{1 \rightarrow 1}(\vec{k}^*, \vec{r}^*)|^2 d^3r^* + \sum_{j \neq 1} \omega_j^{\text{prod}} \int S_j(\vec{r}^*) |\psi_{j \rightarrow 1}(\vec{k}_j^*, \vec{r}^*)|^2 d^3r^*$$

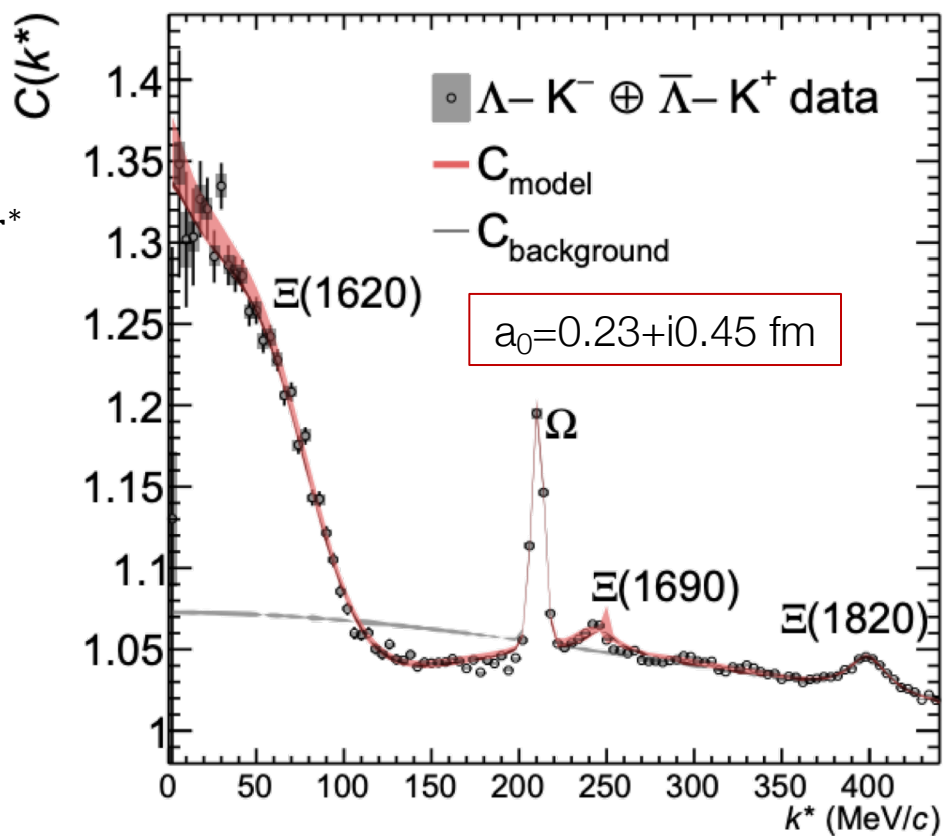
- Wavefunctions obtained in a **coupled-channel approach**
 - State-of-the-art **NLO effective lagrangian in U χ PT**
A. Feijoo et al., PLB 841 (2023)

$$\mathcal{L}_{\phi B}^{(1)} = i\langle \bar{B} \gamma_\mu [D^\mu, B] \rangle - M_0 \langle \bar{B} B \rangle - \frac{1}{2} D \langle \bar{B} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 [u^\mu, B] \rangle - \frac{1}{2} F \langle \bar{B} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 [u^\mu, B] \rangle$$

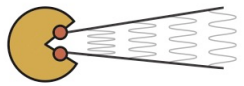
$$\mathcal{L}_{\phi B}^{(2)} = b_D \langle \bar{B} \chi_+, B \rangle + b_F \langle \bar{B} \chi_+, B \rangle + b_0 \langle \bar{B} B \rangle \langle \chi_+ \rangle + d_1 \langle \bar{B} \{u_\mu, [u^\mu, B]\} \rangle + d_2 \langle \bar{B} [u_\mu, [u^\mu, B]] \rangle + d_3 \langle \bar{B} u_\mu \rangle \langle u^\mu B \rangle + d_4 \langle \bar{B} B \rangle \langle u^\mu u_\mu \rangle$$

- Data-driven estimate of ω_j^{prod} and emitting source
ALICE Coll. Eur.Phys.J.C 83 (2023), VMS, A. Feijoo et al. arXiv: 2309.08756
- $\Xi(1620)$ and $\Xi(1690)$ properties overall in line with PDG and previous measurements
 - $\Gamma_{\Xi(1620)} = 24.7$ MeV, tension with Belle's results

VMS, A. Feijoo et al. PRD 110 (2024) 1, L011505

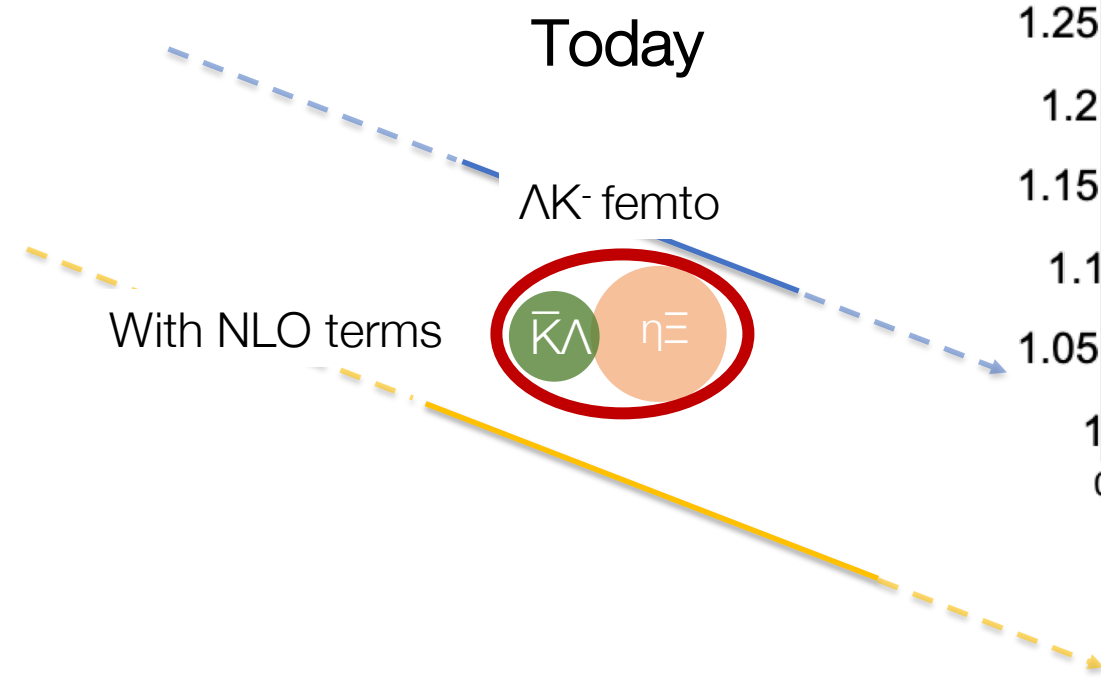


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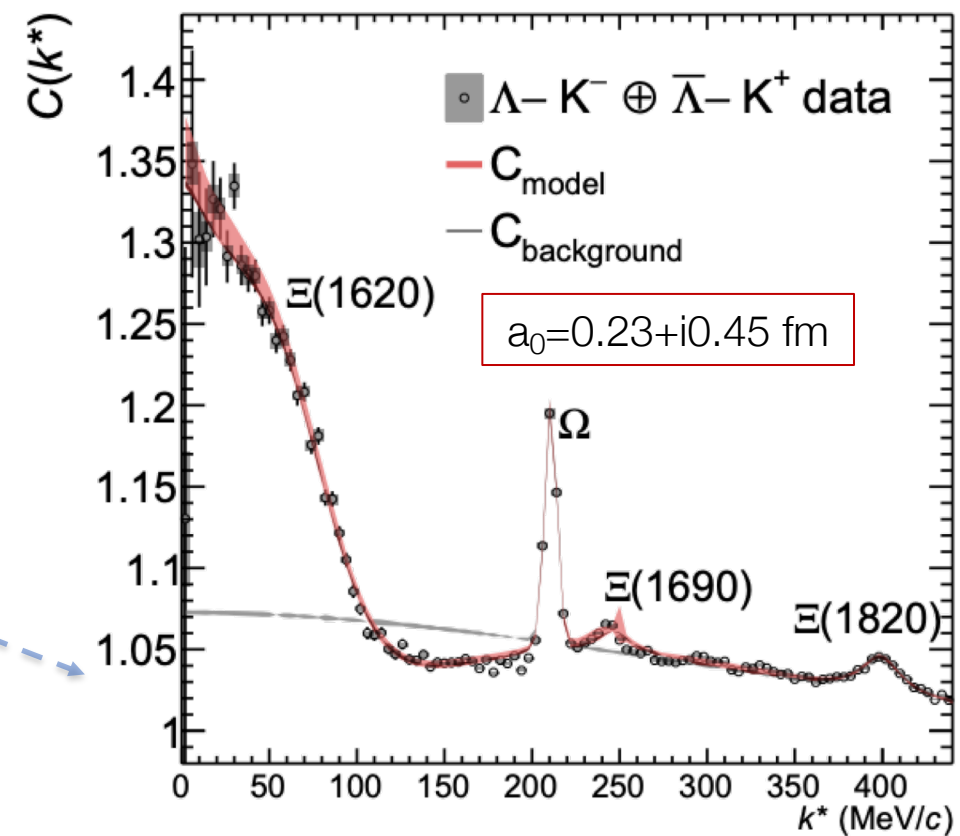


Femtoscopia era in the $S=-2$ meson-baryon sector

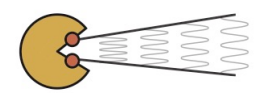
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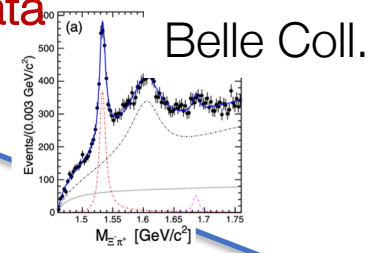
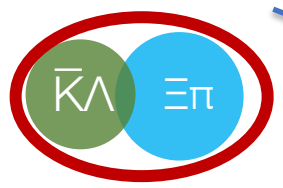


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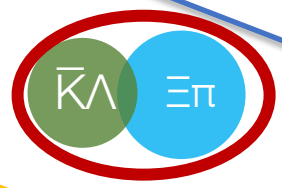
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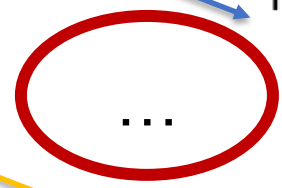
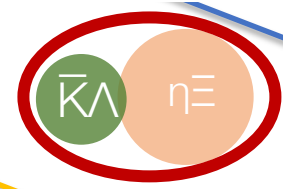
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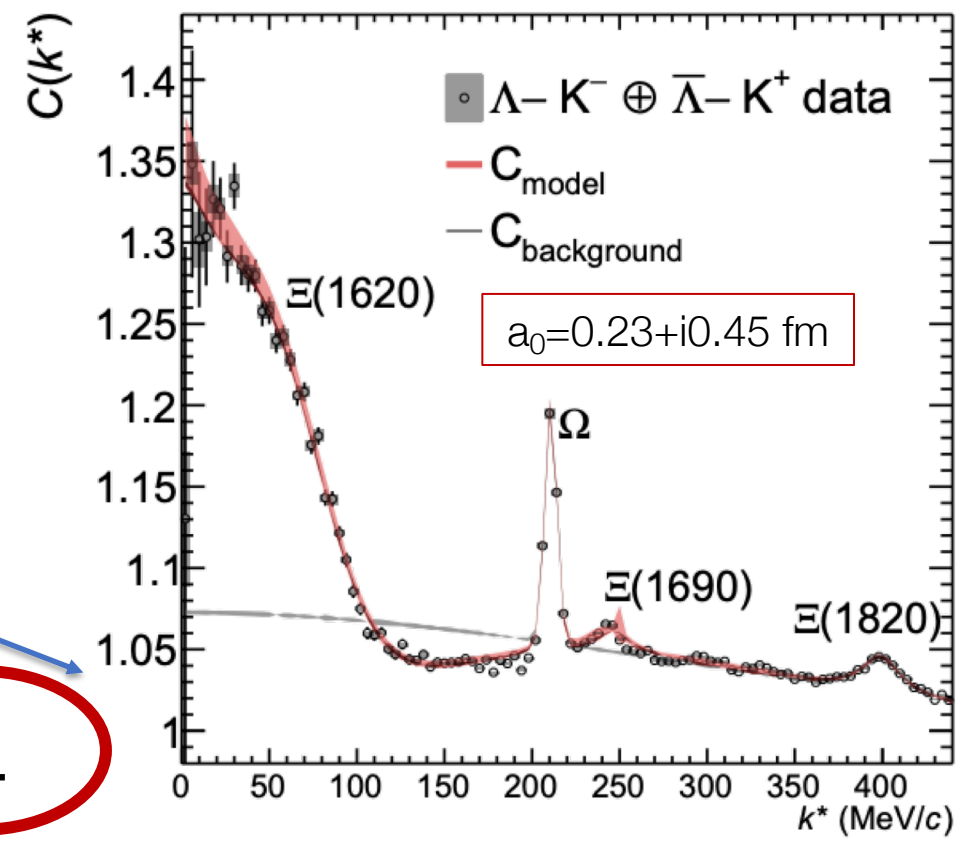
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ΛK^- femto

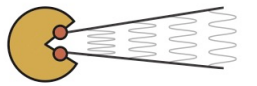


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Can we access other channels with correlations at LHC?

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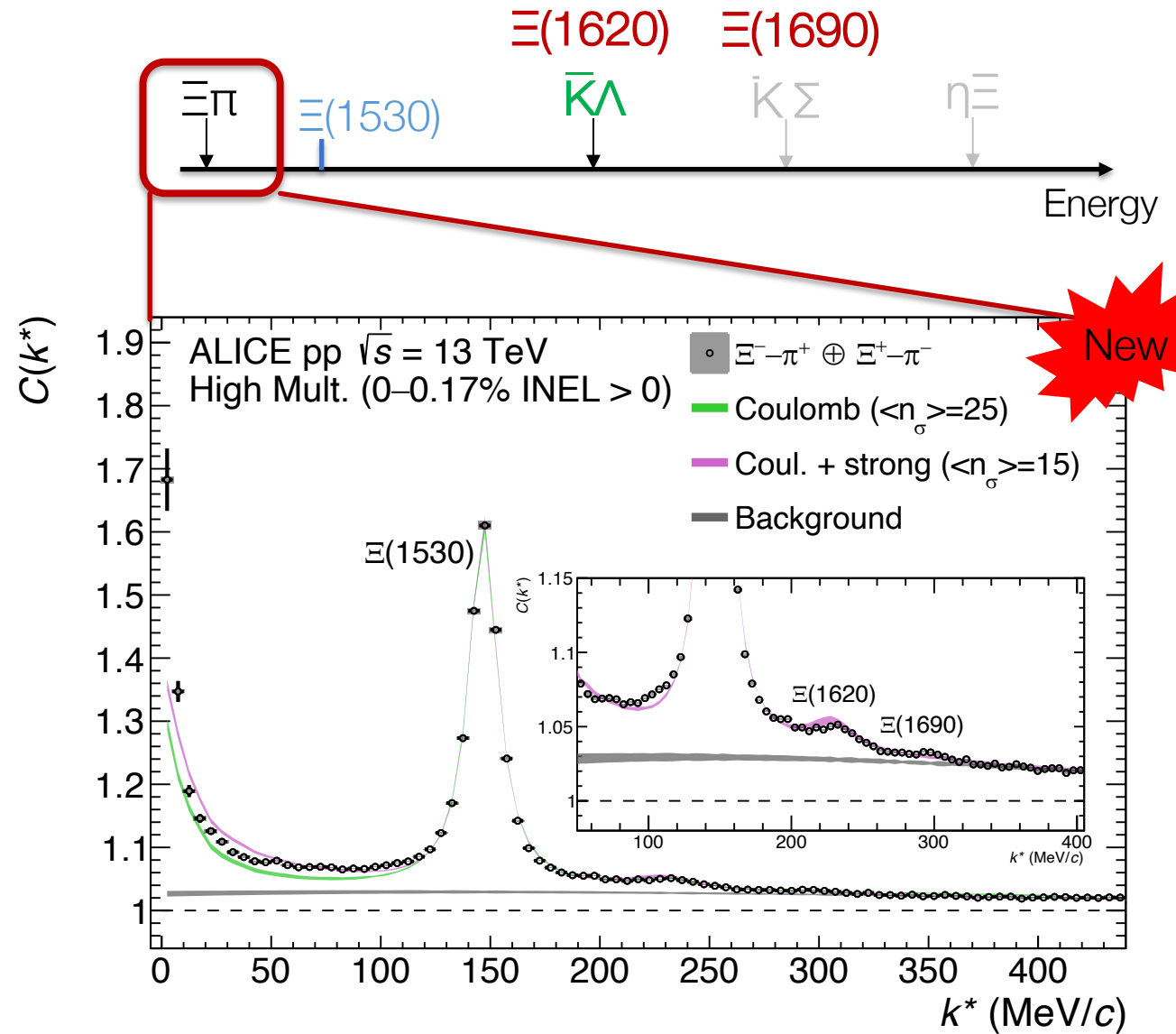
The $\Xi^- \pi^+$ correlation in pp collisions

- Most precise data for $\Xi^- \pi^+$ down to threshold
- Observation of $\Xi(1620)$ and $\Xi(1690)$, in agreement with Belle spectroscopy data
 - Mass and widths in line with previous spectroscopic measurements
- Evidence of shallow strong attraction

$$\Re f_0 = 0.089^{+0.007(stat)}_{\pm 0.009(syst)}$$

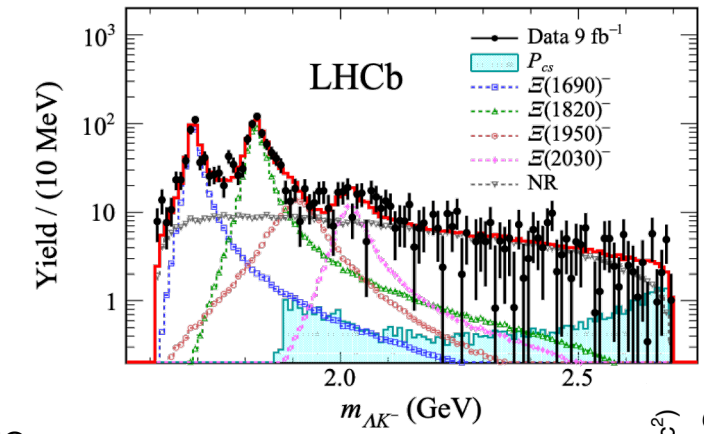
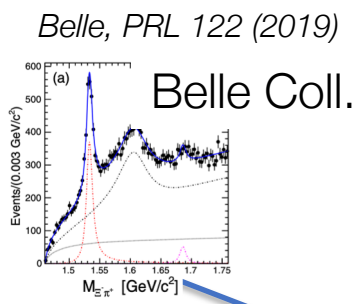
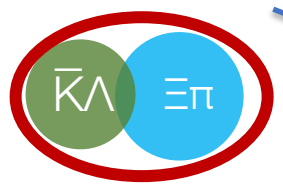
$$\Im f_0 = \mathbf{0.007}^{+0.003(stat)}_{\pm 0.005(syst)}$$

Novel high-precision data available to constrain this multi-strange meson-baryon sector!



Towards a new femtoscopy-spectroscopy alliance!

- Moving towards studies on the corresponding **available spectroscopy data**

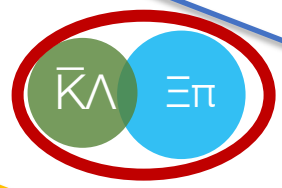


LHCb, Sci.Bull. 66 (2021)

Work in progress on LHCb data comparison with Dr. Feijoo and BCN group

A. Ramos, E. Oset PRL 89 (2002)

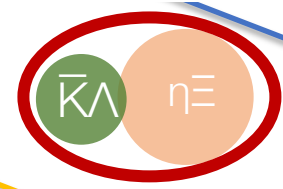
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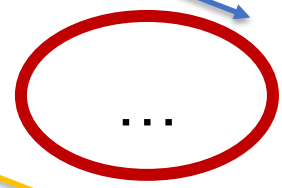
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ΛK⁻ femto



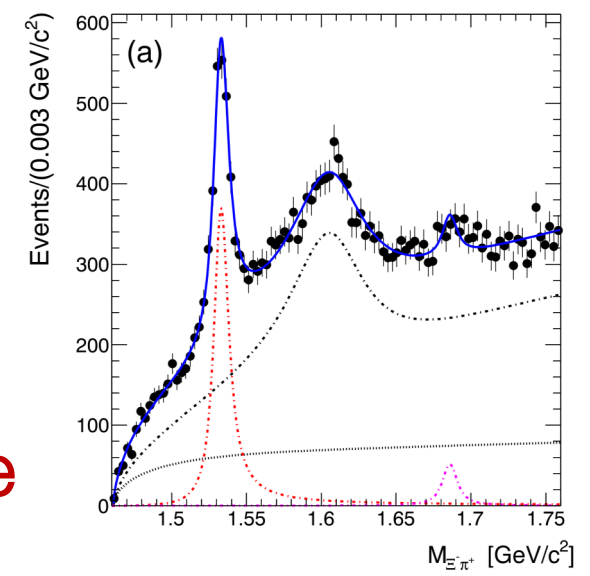
Soon
Ξπ femto



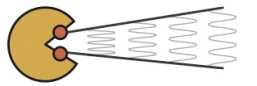
Towards a combined fit of all available data in this sector!!

(Preliminary work done on contact terms for pΛ, see backup)

Mihaylov, Haidenbauer, VMS PLB 850 (2024) 138550



Belle, PRL 122 (2019)



Conclusions and outlooks

- **Most precise data on ΞK and $\Xi \pi$** at low momenta available
 - Novel high-precision constraints on $S=-1$ and $S=-2$ baryon interactions available with correlation data
 - Input for low-energy effective chiral lagrangians
- **Femtoscopy** as a **complementary tool** to provide important input for **searches and studies of exotic states**



Many more correlations to come with on-going Run 3 and future LHC runs

Moving to three-body dynamics:
R. Del Grande Wed. 30 Oct



Outlooks and (soon) future with Run 3

- Soon available $\Lambda \pi^\pm$ correlation data!
- Possibility to reconstruct Σ^\pm via kink-topology method with ITS2 in Run 3
→ Access to $\pi \Sigma$, $\bar{K} \Sigma$
- Continuing the effort to measure interactions with charm hadrons



Many experimental and theoretical activities...

ALICE Collaboration:

PRC 99 (2019) 2, 024001
 PLB 797 (2019) 134822
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 PRL 124 (2020) 09230
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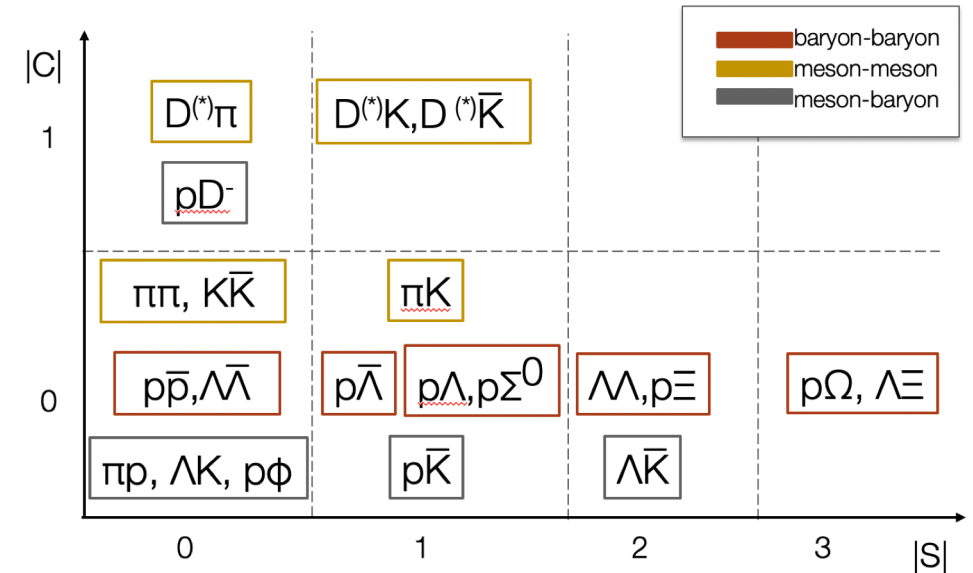
Nature 527 (2015) 345-348
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HADES Collaboration:

PRC 82 (2010) 021901
 PRC 94 (2016) 2, 025201

Latest theoretical studies on exotics and correlations:

Liu et al. Phys.Rev.D 107 (2023) 7, 074019
 Albaladejo et al. Phys.Rev.D 108 (2023) 1, 014020
 Kemchandani et al. arXiv:2312.11811
 Ikeno et al. Phys.Lett.B 847 (2023) 138281
 Torres-Rincon et al. Phys.Rev.D 108 (2023) 9, 096008
 Kamiya et al. Eur.Phys.J.A 58 (2022) 7, 131
 Vidaña, Feijoo et al. Phys.Lett.B 846 (2023) 138201
 Albaladejo, Feijoo et al. arXiv:2307.09873
 Liu et al. Phys.Rev.D 108 (2023) 3, L031503
 Feijoo et al. Phys.Rev.D 109 (2024) 1, 016014
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 M. Z. Liu et al. arXiv: 2404.06399 [hep-ph]
 Li et al. arXiv: 2311.14365 [hep-ph]
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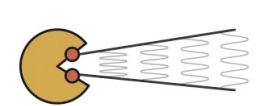
Three-body dynamics: $pd, ppp, pp\Lambda, ppK^\pm$

pd : ALICE Coll. PRX 14 (2024) 3, 031051
 $ppp, pp\Lambda$: ALICE Coll. EPJA 59, 145 (2023)
 ppK : ALICE Coll. EPJA 59,12 (2023)

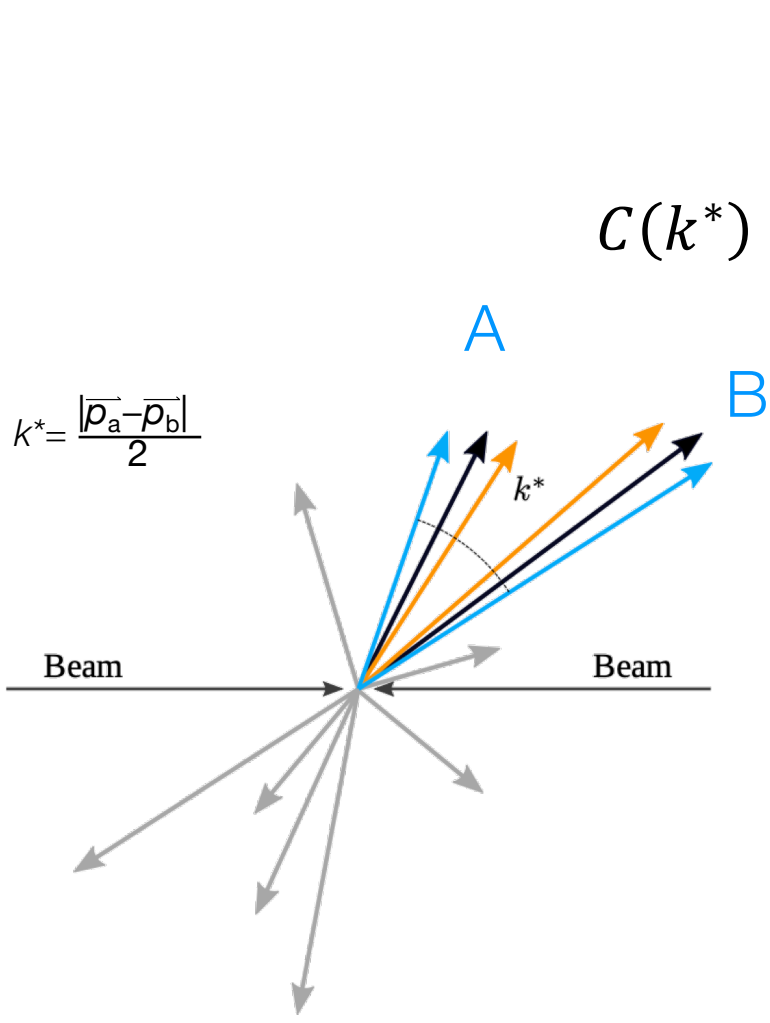
Theoretical papers:

M. Viviani et al, Phys.Rev.C 108 (2023) 6, 064002
 A. Kievsky, et al., Phys.Rev.C 109 (2024) 3, 034006
 E. Garrido et al., arXiv: 2408.01750 (2024)

Additional slides



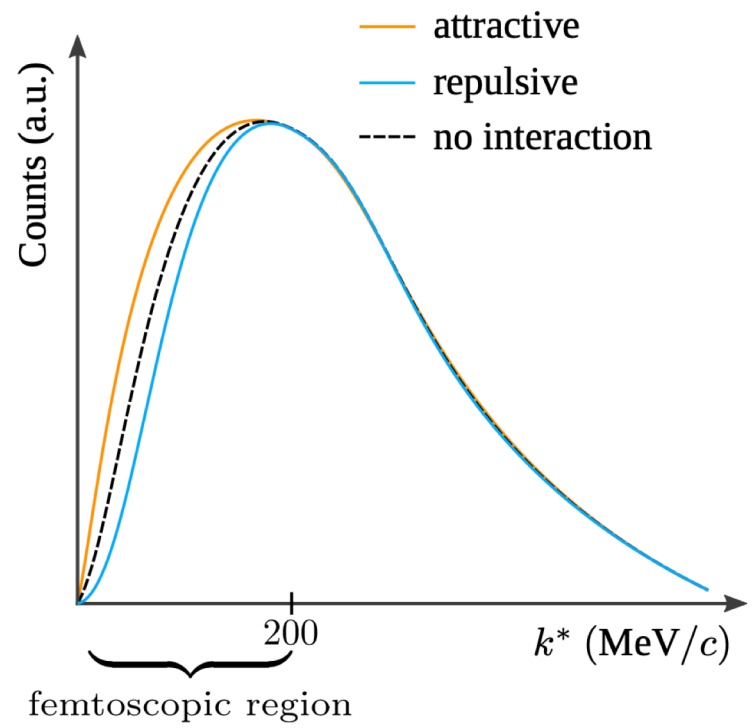
Basics of femtoscopy – Experimental definition



$$C(k^*) \propto \frac{N_{\text{same}}(k^*)}{N_{\text{mixed}}(k^*)}$$

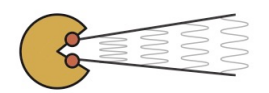
Pairs AB produced in the same event
→ they interact!!

Particles A and B from different events
→ **No interaction!**
→ Description of the underlying phase space

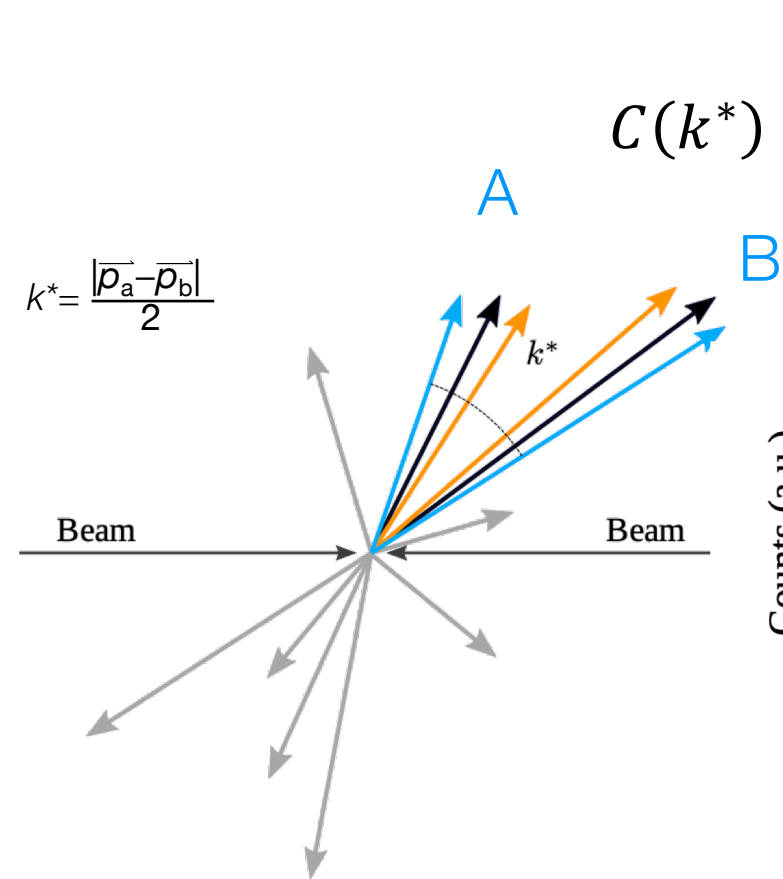


A and B push each other away 💔
Less pairs at small k^*

How does this translate to the correlation function?

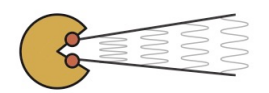
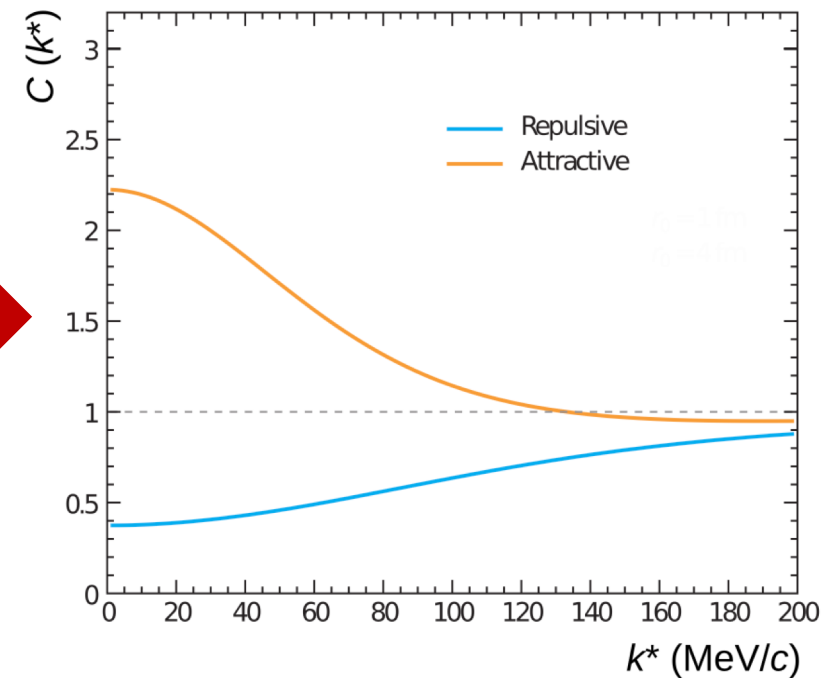
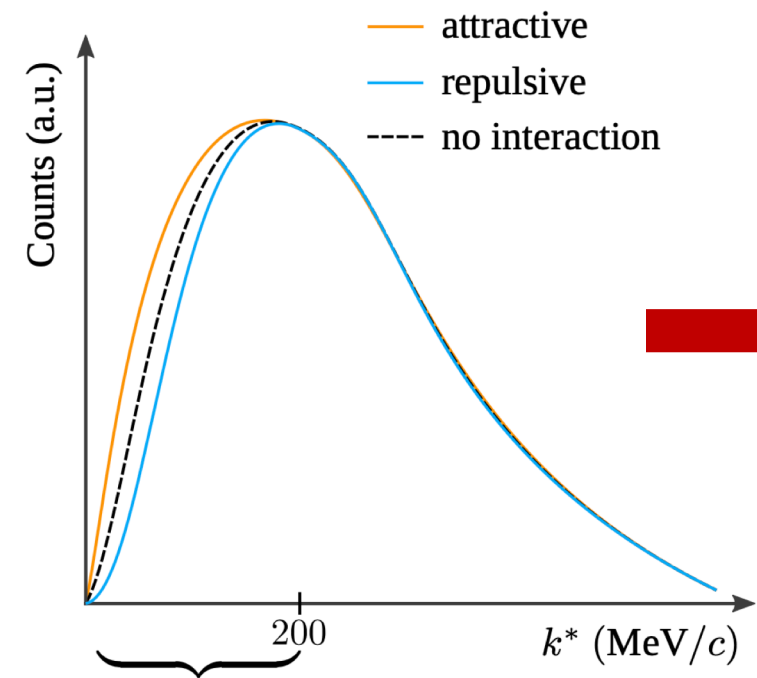


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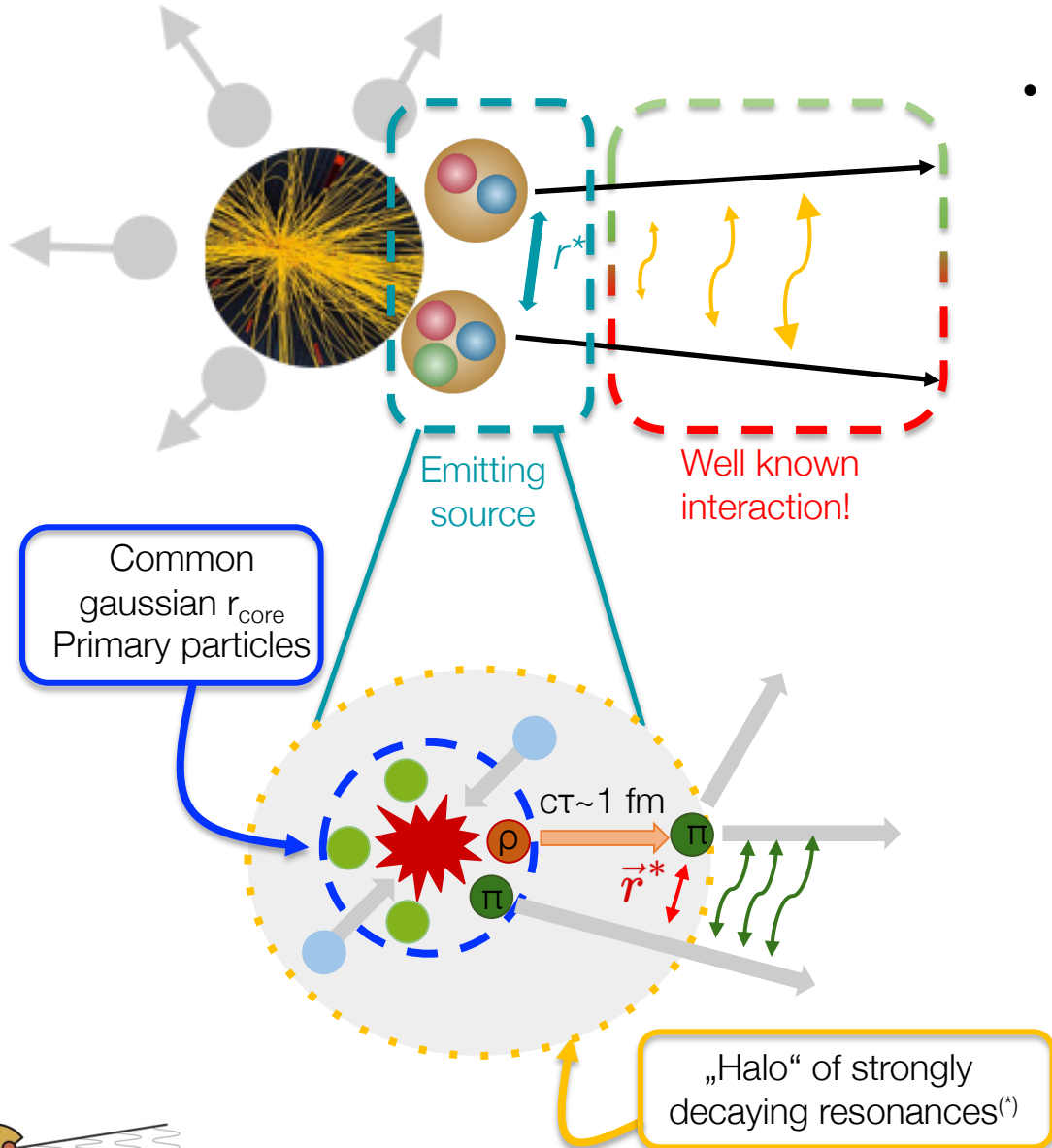


$$C(k^*) \propto \frac{N_{\text{same}}(k^*)}{N_{\text{mixed}}(k^*)} \begin{cases} > 1 & \text{Attractive interaction} \\ = 1 & \text{No interaction} \\ < 1 & \text{Repulsive interaction} \end{cases}$$

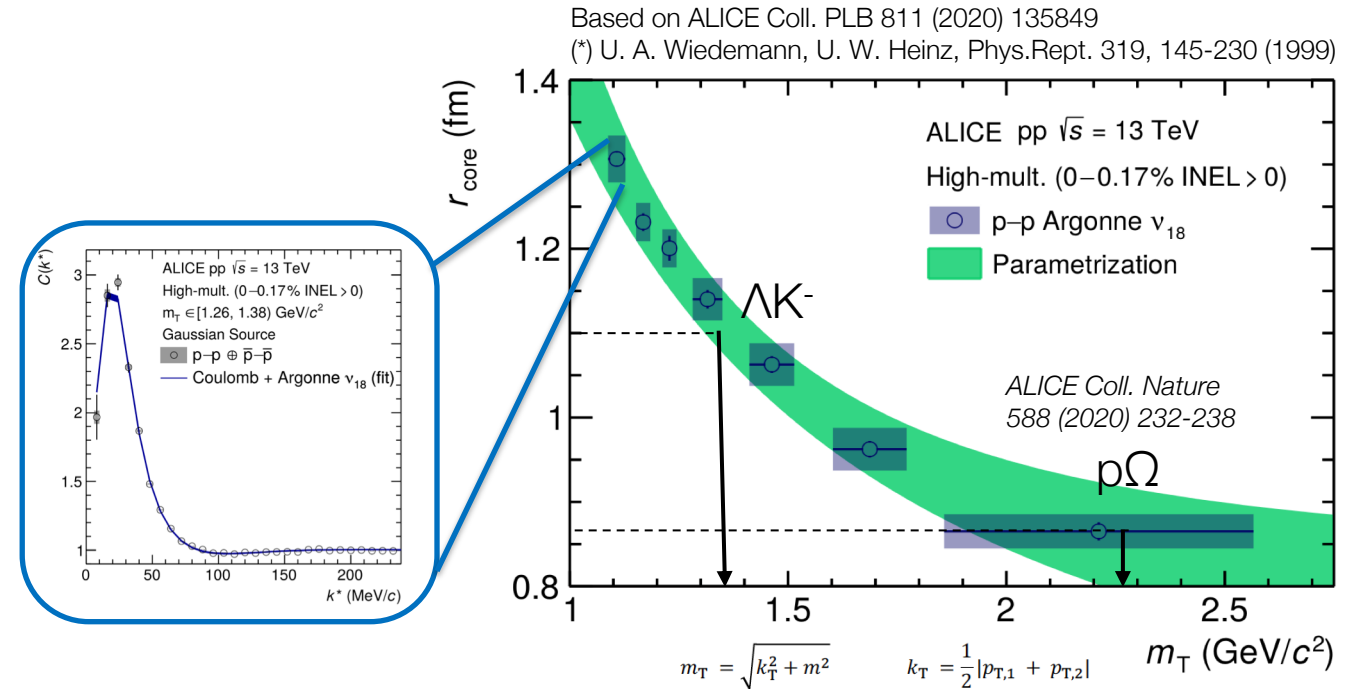
Mapping 1-to-1 the nature of the interaction



The emitting source in pp collisions



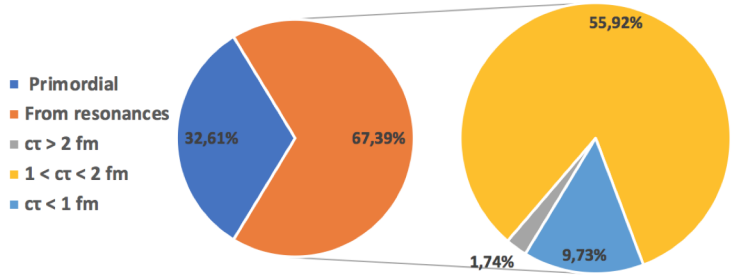
- Modeled in a data-driven way using **p-p correlations**, most known interaction!!



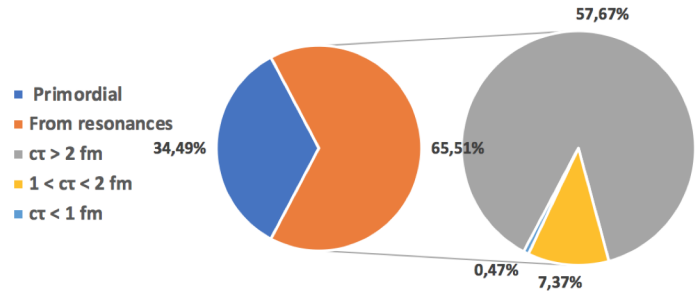
- Fixing of the source at corresponding $\langle m_T \rangle$
 → **Direct access to the interaction**
 → **Interparticle distances $\sim 1-2 \text{ fm}$**

The source function - Effect of short-lived resonances

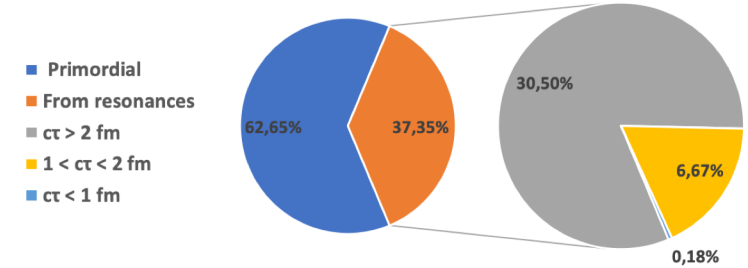
Protons



Λ s

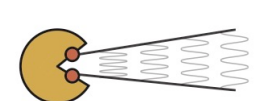


Σ^0 s

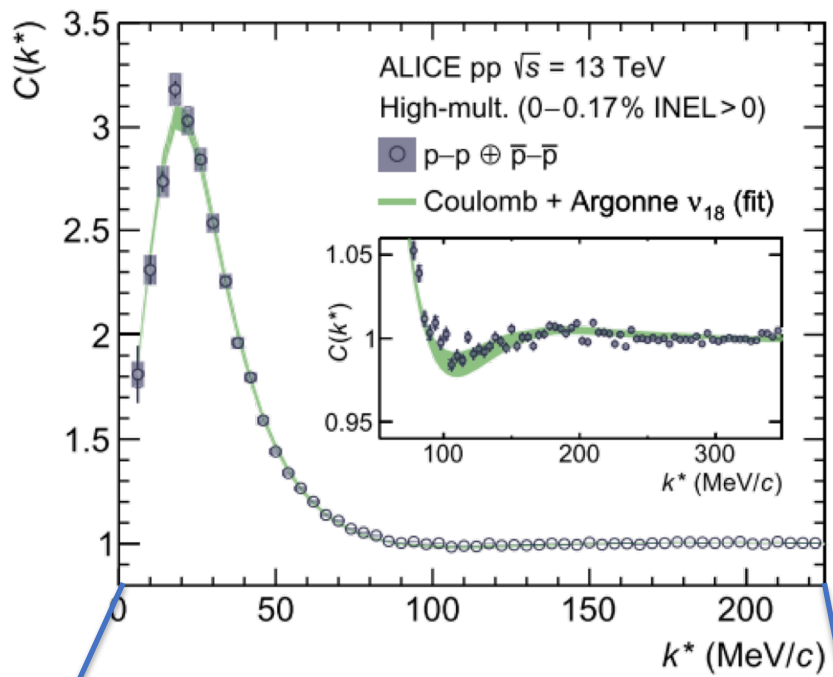


- For Ξ^- and Ω^- no contributions!
- Average mass and average $c\tau$ determined by the weighted average values of all resonances

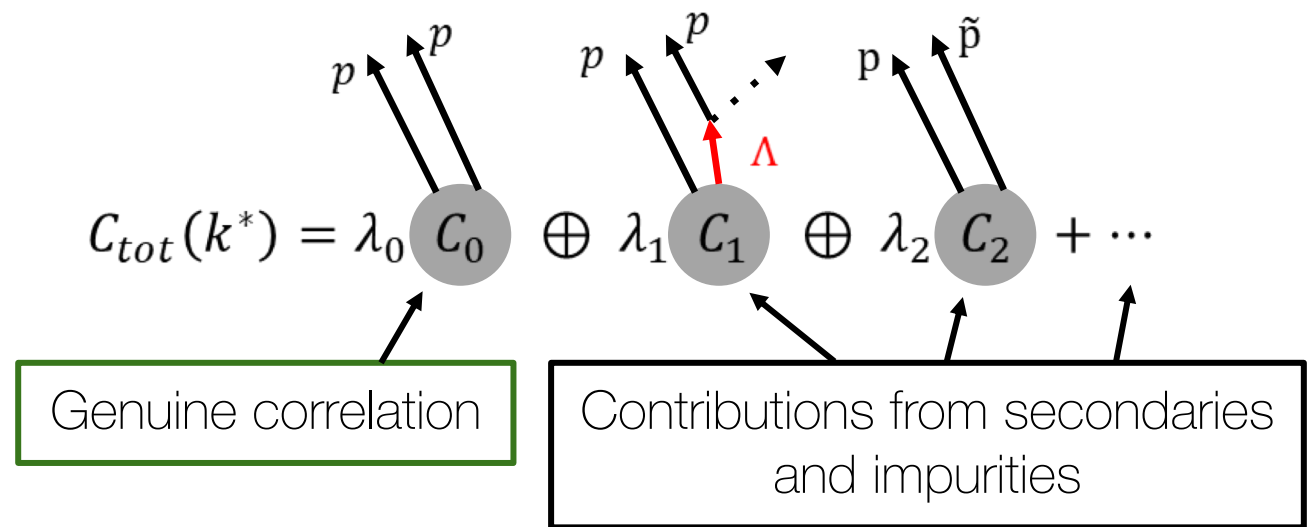
Particle	M_{res} [MeV]	τ_{res} [fm]
p	1361.52	1.65
Λ	1462.93	4.69
Σ^0	1581.73	4.28



Genuine and not genuine...that is (not) the problem!



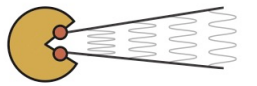
Unfortunately in our p-p pairs sample we do not have only **primary produced protons** undergoing the **genuine interaction** we aim at measuring



1. These **residual correlations** dilute the signal, need to be **constrained as much as possible** (modeling interaction when possible, e.g. p Λ)
2. Each contribution is weighted taking into account **purity** and **origin** of the particles in the pair

$$\lambda_i = P_{i,1} f_{i,1} \cdot P_{i,2} f_{i,2}$$

3. Both the purities and the fractions of particles coming from primary, secondaries, etc. can be determined using using Monte Carlo simulated data

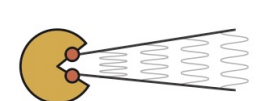
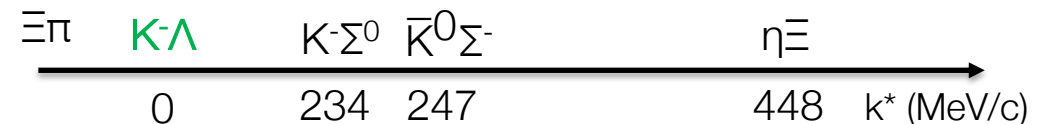
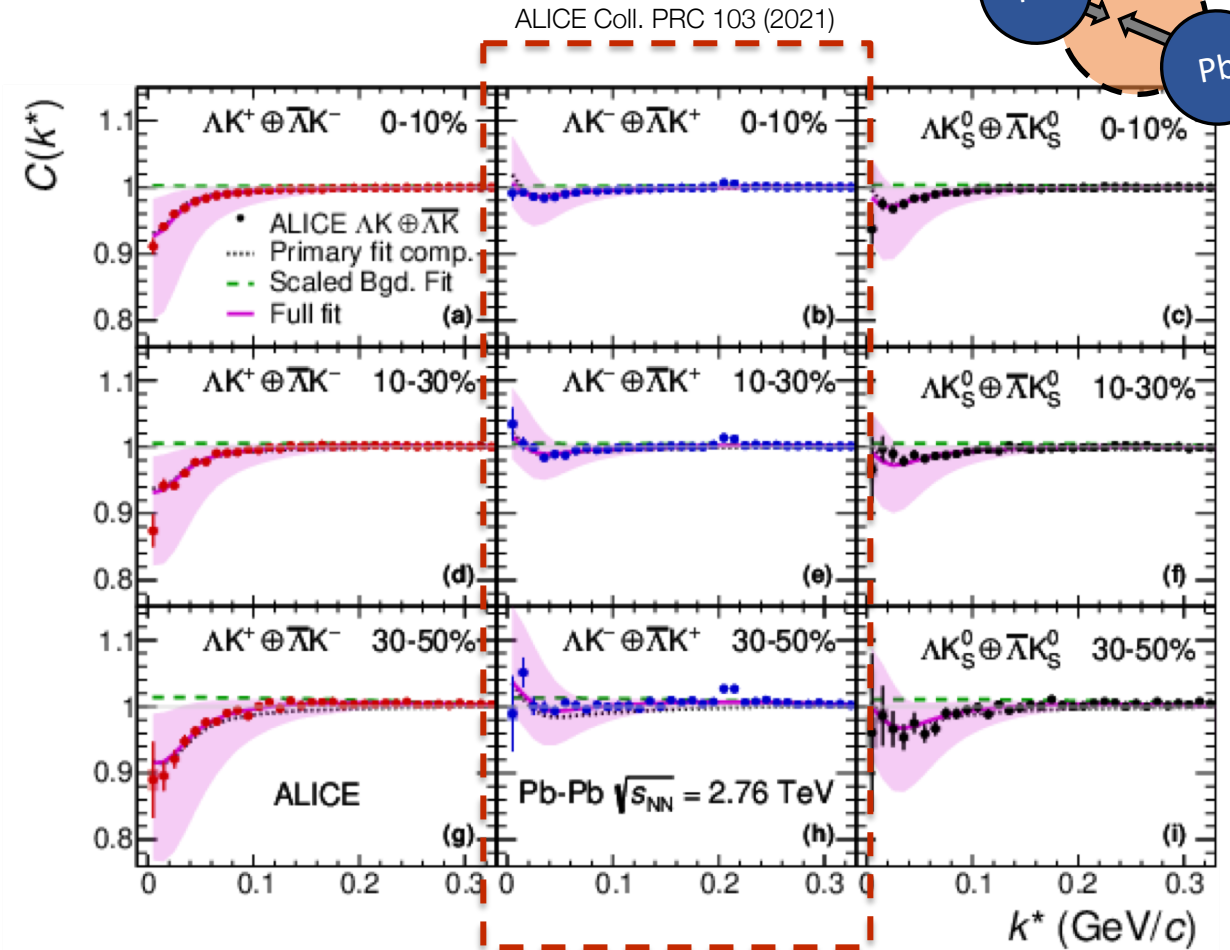
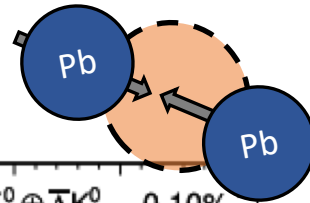


Moving to K- Λ correlations...

- Correlations measured in Pb-Pb collisions
 - No particular cusps or structure visible
 - First measurements of $\Lambda\bar{K}$ scattering parameters!

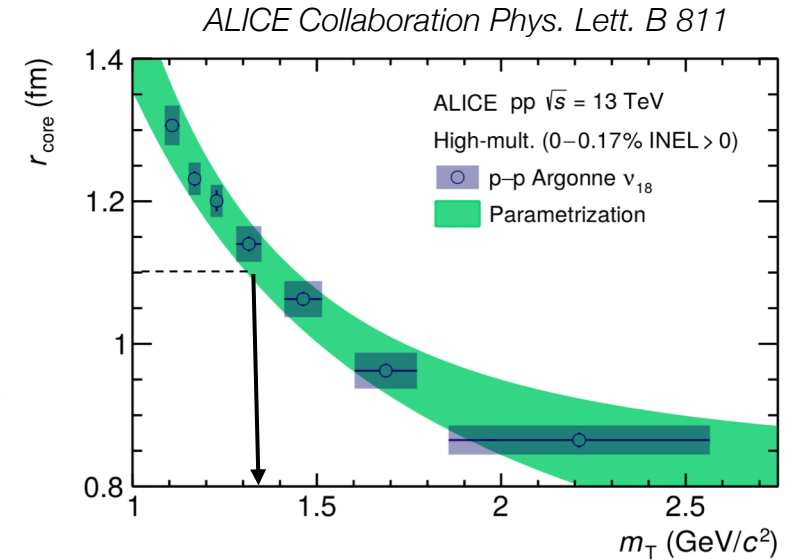
How does the correlation look like in pp collisions?

Can we shed light on the nature of $\Xi(1620)$ and $\Xi(1690)$ states with correlations?



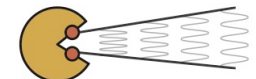
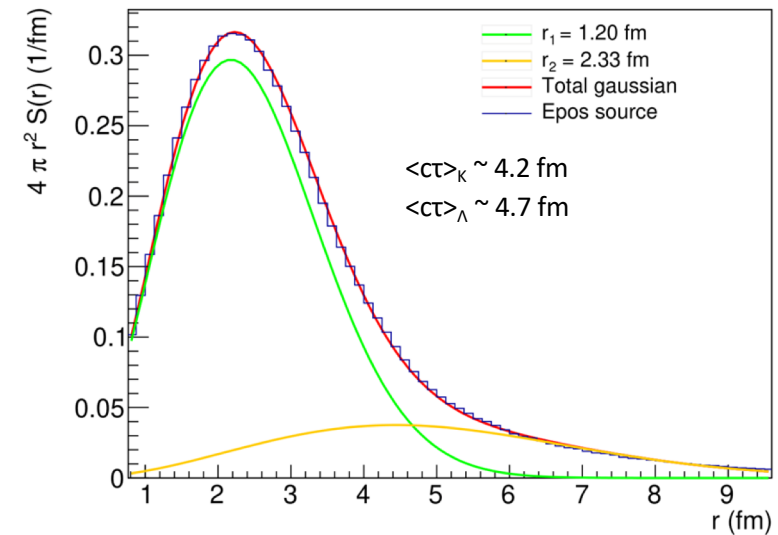
Fixing the source in ΛK correlations

- Core-halo resonance model anchored to p-p CF
 - $r_{\text{core}} = 1.11 \pm 0.04$ ($\langle m_T \rangle_{\Lambda K} = 1.35 \text{ GeV}/c^2$)
- Long-lived strongly decaying resonances feeding to Λ
 - fit with effective double gaussian



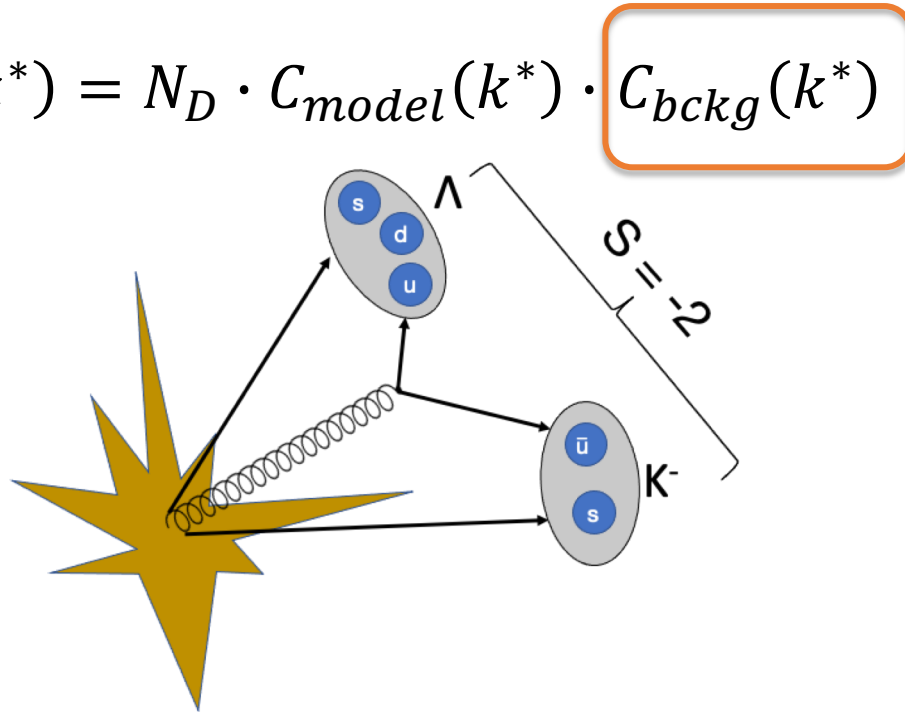
$$S_{\text{tot}}(r) = \lambda_s [\omega_s \cdot S(r_1) + (1 - \omega_s) \cdot S(r_2)]$$

Parameter	Value
r_{core} [fm]	$1.11^{+0.04}_{-0.04}$
$r_{1,\text{eff}}$ [fm]	$1.202^{+0.043}_{-0.042}$
$r_{2,\text{eff}}$ [fm]	$2.330^{+0.050}_{-0.045}$
ω	$0.7993^{+0.0037}_{-0.0027}$
λ	$0.9806^{+0.0006}_{-0.0008}$



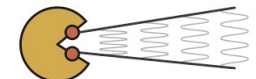
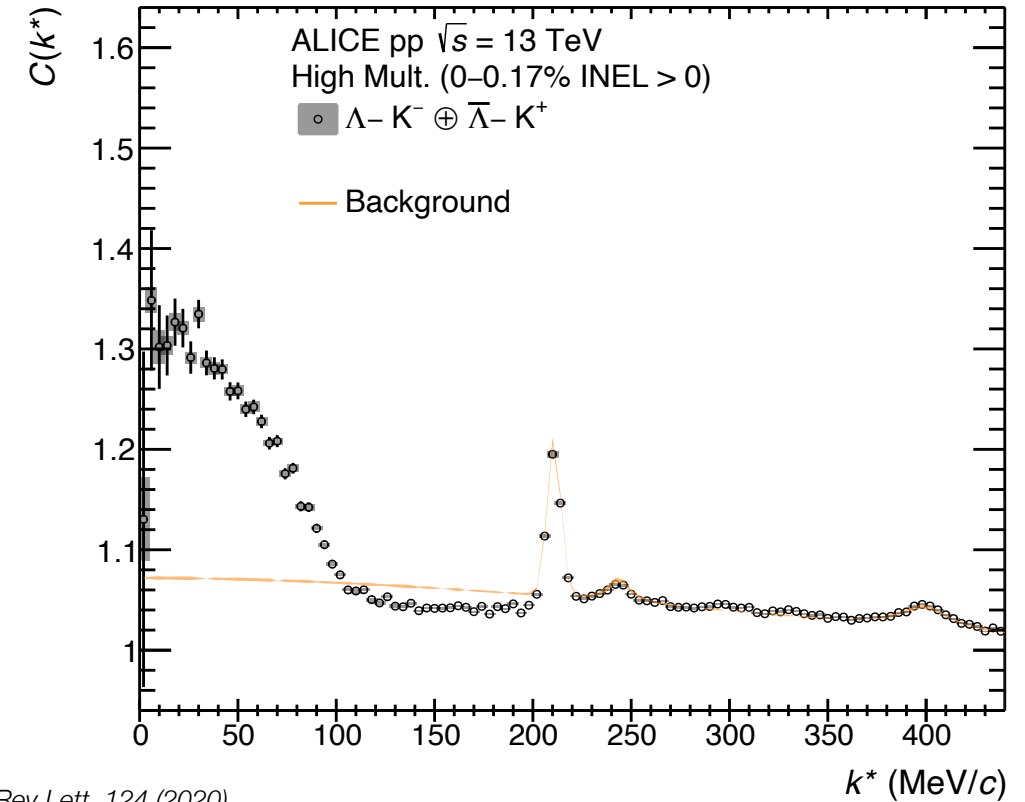
Modeling the correlation function

$$C(k^*) = N_D \cdot C_{model}(k^*) \cdot C_{bckg}(k^*)$$

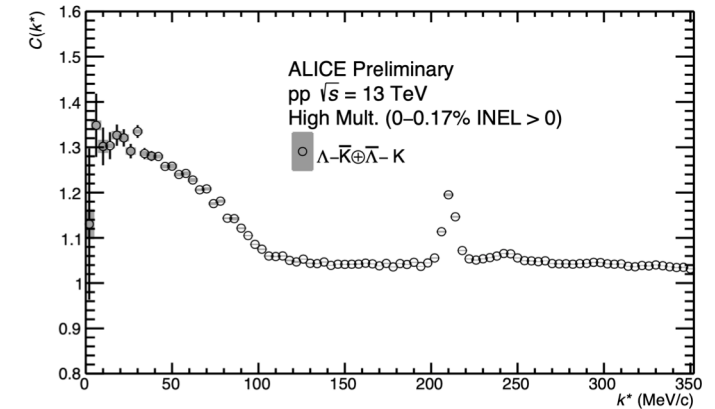
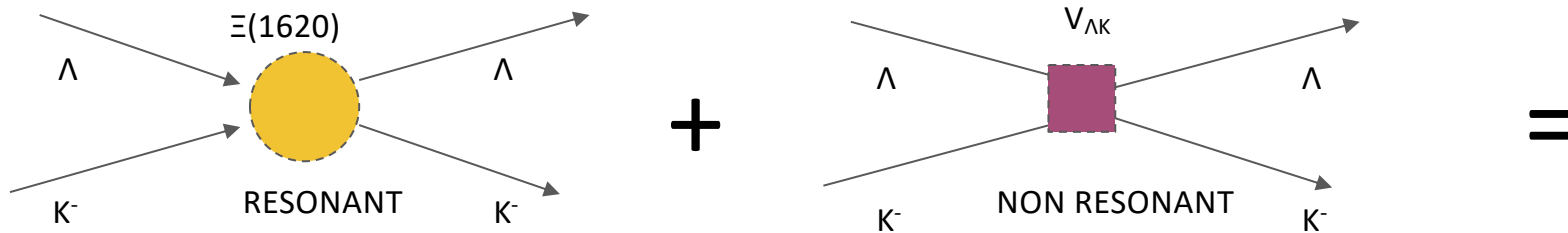


- Residual background due to initial parton scattering
 → Typically observed in meson-baryon correlations ALICE Coll. Phys.Rev.Lett. 124 (2020)
 → Modeled using Monte-carlo simulations
- Addition of Ω , Ξ^* resonances observed in the CF modeled with BW
 → Values of (M, Γ) to be extracted with fit to the data

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ΛK^- correlation: including the $\Xi(1620)$ resonance



$$C_{model}(k^*) = \lambda_{gen} C_{gen}(k^*) + \lambda_{\Xi K} C_{\Xi K}(k^*) + \lambda_{flat}$$

- Modeled with Lednicky-Lyuboshits analytical formula

$$C_{gen}(k^*) = w C_{non-res}(k^*) + (1 - w) C_{res}(k^*)$$

- $C_{non-res}$ → LL with ERE scatt. amplitude
- C_{res} → LL with Flattè-like scatt. amplitude ([F. Giacosa et al. Eur.Phys.J.A 57 \(2021\) 12, 336](https://arxiv.org/abs/2007.11231))

$$f(k^*) = \frac{-2\tilde{\Gamma}_2}{E^2 - M^2 + i\tilde{\Gamma}_1 \sqrt{E^2 - E_{thr,1}^2} + i\tilde{\Gamma}_2 \sqrt{E^2 - E_{thr,2}^2}}$$

ch. 1 = $\pi\Xi$
ch. 2 = ΛK^-

Thanks to Prof. F. Giacosa for the discussion

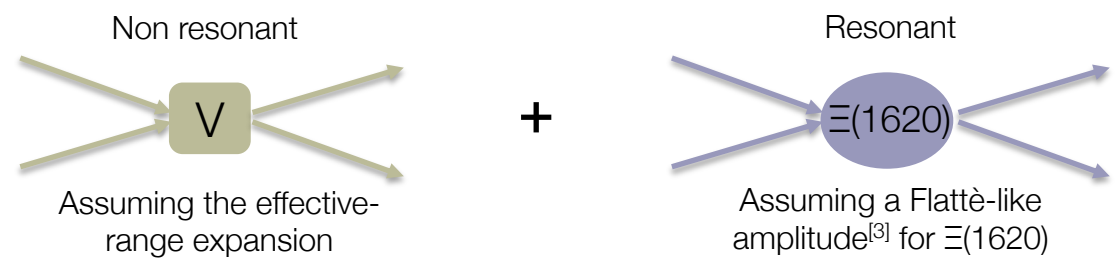
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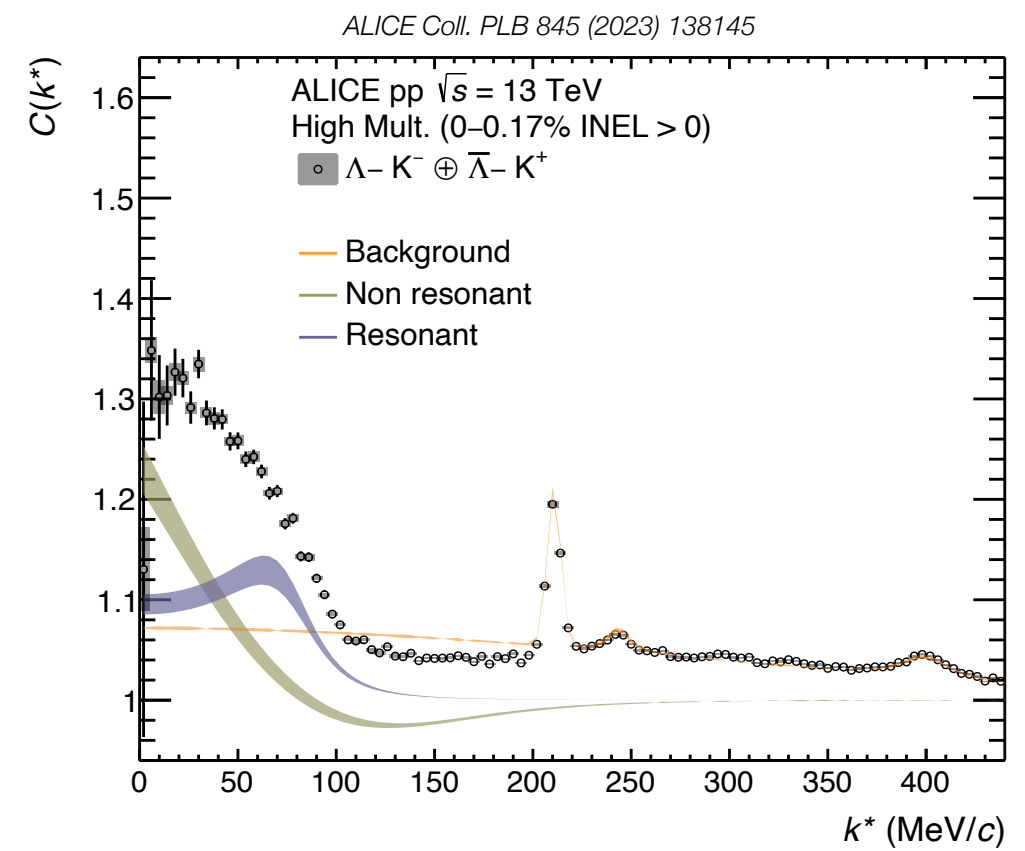
$$C_{model}(k^*) = \lambda_0 C_0(k^*) + \lambda_1 C_1(k^*) + \lambda_2 C_1(k^*) + \dots \quad [1]$$

$\lambda_0 = 51\%$
 $K^- \rightarrow \Lambda$ $K^- \rightarrow \Lambda$ $K^- \rightarrow \tilde{\Lambda}$
 Ξ, Σ^0

- Genuine correlation of interest
 → Modeled with the Lednicky-Lyuboshits formula^[2]



- Contributions from secondaries, impurities, etc..
 → Modeled when possible^[4] or assumed flat

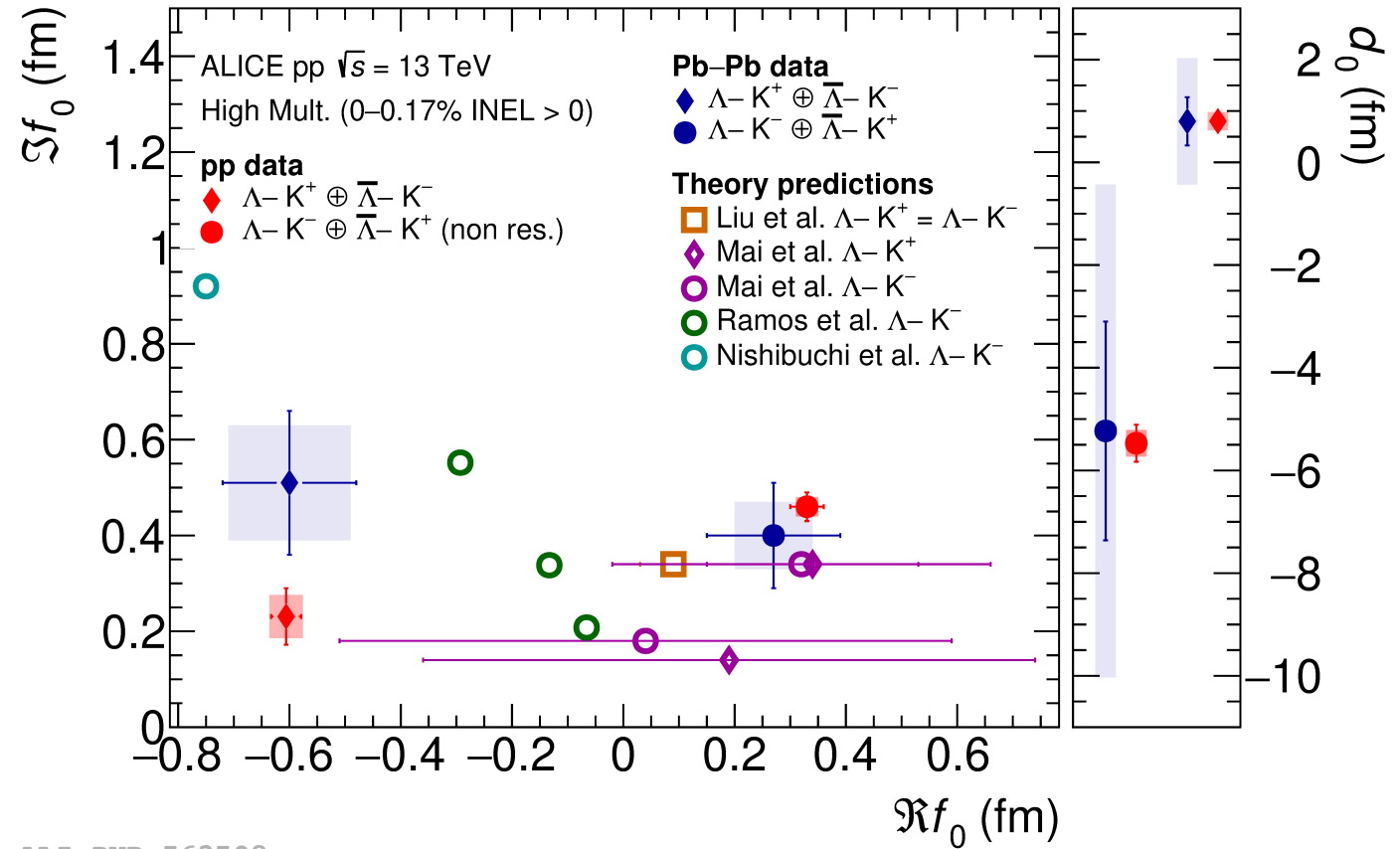


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^[2] R. Lednicky, V. Lyuboshits SJNP 35 (1982)
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^[4] CATS: D. Mihaylov et al., EPJC 78 (2018), 5, 394

Scattering parameters for ΛK^-

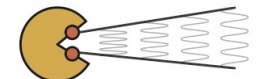
- Indication of an attractive non-resonant interaction
 → In agreement with ALICE Pb-Pb results^[1]
- Available models far from converging on similar results
 → Parameters fixed based on SU(3) flavour symmetry, isospin symmetry
 → Mainly anchored to πN or $\bar{K} N$ data
 → $\Xi(1620)$ typically lying below threshold

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U χ PT at LO: Ramos et al. PRL 89 (2002), Nishibuchi et al. EPJ Web Conf 271 (2022)
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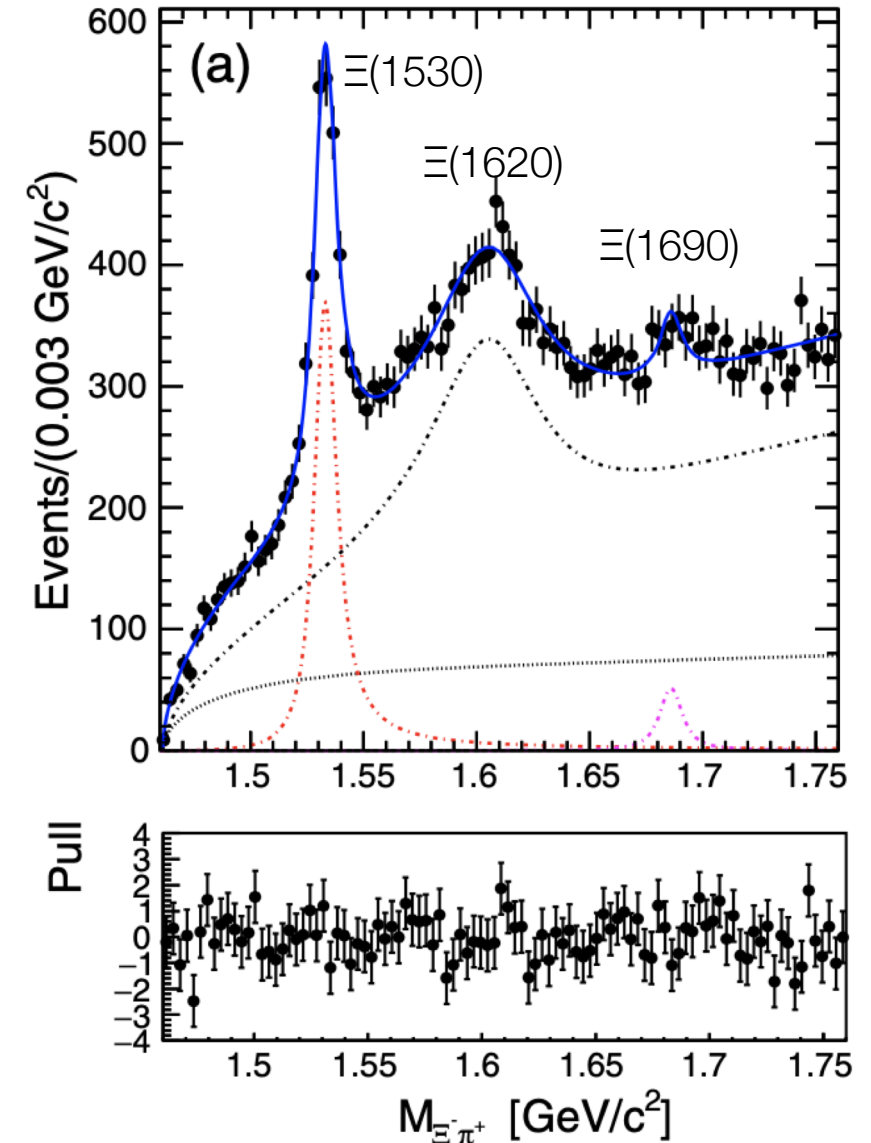
Overview on S=-2 meson-baryon sector

- Poorly constrained experimentally
→ Effective lagrangians anchored to S=-1 sector^[1]
- $\Xi(1620)$ and $\Xi(1690)$ ^[2] dynamically generated states within coupled-channel models
→ $\Xi(1620)$ observed by Belle in $\pi\Xi$ decay but currently only 1 star in PDG, $J^P = ??$, B.R. not quantit. known.

$$M = 1610.4 \pm 6.0^{+6.1}_{-4.2} \text{ MeV},$$

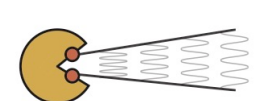
$$\Gamma = 59.9 \pm 4.8^{+2.8}_{-7.1} \text{ MeV}.$$

Belle Coll. PRL 122 (2019)



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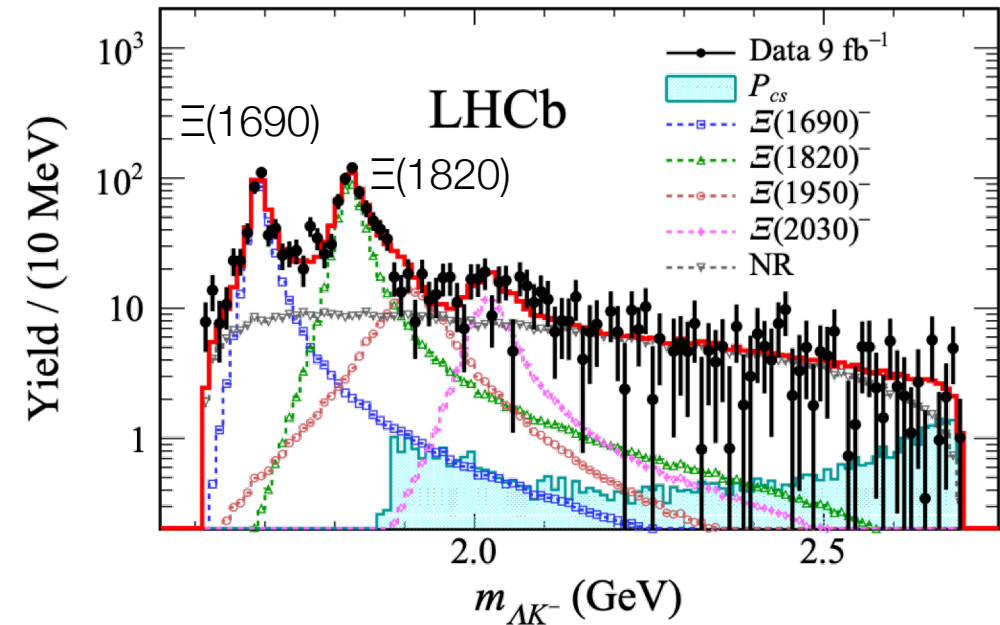
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- Poorly constrained experimentally
→ Effective lagrangians anchored to S=-1 sector^[1]
- $\Xi(1620)$ and $\Xi(1690)$ ^[2] dynamically generated states within coupled-channel models
→ $\Xi(1690)$ observed by LHCb in ΛK decay, currently 3 star in PDG, $J^P = ??$, B.R. not quantit. known.

$$M = 1692.0 \pm 1.3^{+1.2}_{-0.4} \text{ MeV,}$$

$$\Gamma = 25.9 \pm 9.5^{+14.0}_{-13.5} \text{ MeV.}$$

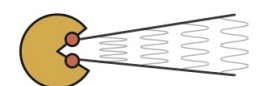


LHCb, Sci.Bull. 66 (2021)

- Recent development of chiral calculations at NLO^[3]

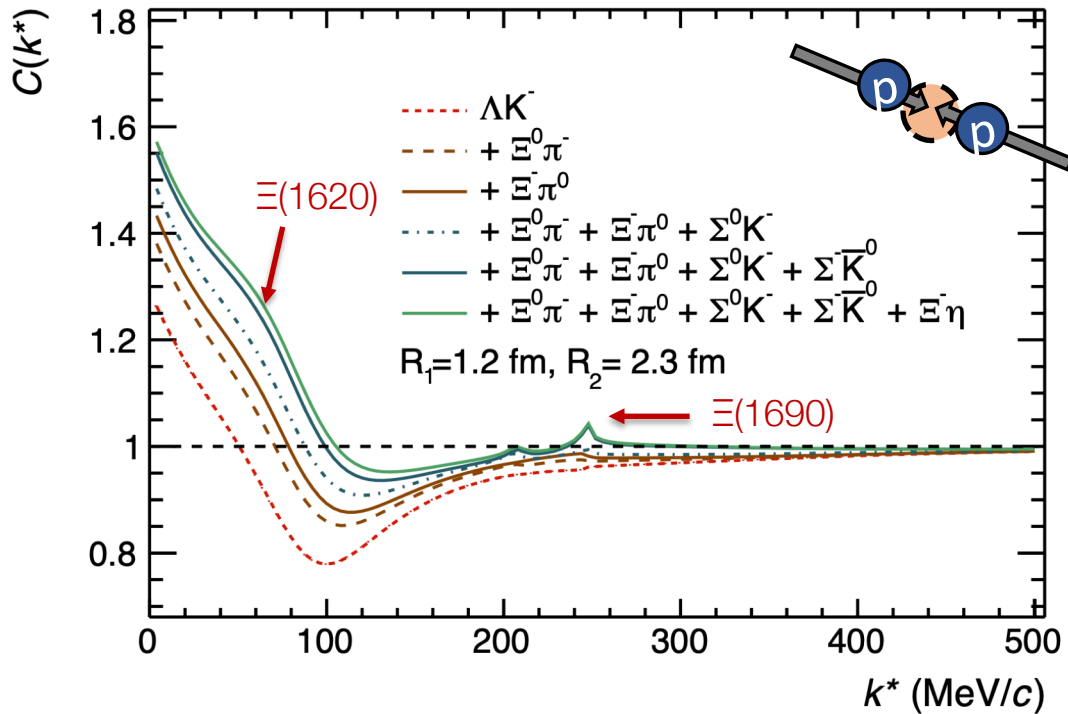
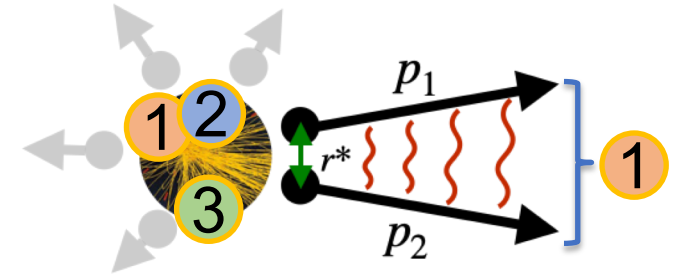
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Constraining effective QCD lagrangians with correlations

$$C(k^*) = \underbrace{\int S_1(\vec{r}^*) |\Psi_{1 \rightarrow 1}(\vec{k}^*, \vec{r}^*)|^2 d^3 r^*}_{\text{elastic } 1 \rightarrow 1} + \underbrace{\sum_{j \neq 1} \omega_j^{\text{prod}} \int S_j(\vec{r}^*) |\Psi_{j \rightarrow 1}(\vec{k}^*, \vec{r}^*)|^2 d^3 r^*}_{\text{inelastic } 2, 3, \dots \rightarrow 1}$$



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Wavefunctions obtained in a coupled-channel approach

- State-of-the-art NLO effective lagrangian in U χ PT
A. Feijoo et al., PLB 841 (2023)

$$\mathcal{L}_{\phi B}^{(1)} = i\langle \bar{B} \gamma_\mu [D^\mu, B] \rangle - M_0 \langle \bar{B} B \rangle - \frac{1}{2} D \langle \bar{B} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \{u^\mu, B\} \rangle - \frac{1}{2} F \langle \bar{B} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 [u^\mu, B] \rangle,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\phi B}^{(2)} = b_D \langle \bar{B} \{ \chi_+, B \} \rangle + b_F \langle \bar{B} [\chi_+, B] \rangle + b_0 \langle \bar{B} B \rangle \langle \chi_+ \rangle + d_1 \langle \bar{B} \{ u_\mu, [u^\mu, B] \} \rangle + d_2 \langle \bar{B} [u_\mu, [u^\mu, B]] \rangle + d_3 \langle \bar{B} u_\mu \rangle \langle u^\mu B \rangle + d_4 \langle \bar{B} B \rangle \langle u^\mu u_\mu \rangle.$$

- $\Xi(1620)$ and $\Xi(1690)$ dynamically generated states

Conversion weights ω_j^{prod} and source studies

- Detailed data-driven study using thermal and transport models

ALICE Coll. Eur.Phys.J.C 83 (2023), VMS, A. Feijoo et al. arXiv: 2309.08756

Constraining the $S=-2$ meson-baryon sector

- State-of-the-art U χ PT at NLO available^[1]
 - Low energy constants (LECs) fixed to $S=-1$ sector^[2]
 - Two sets of subtraction constants (SCs) values
 - Widths of $\Xi(1620)$ too large wrt to Belle's results^[3]

Use the high-precision femtoscopic data to fix LECs and SCs!

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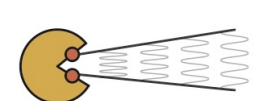
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Table 3: Comparison of the pole positions between the models: Model I and Model II (in MeV) with their couplings g_i and the corresponding modulus found in $J^P = \frac{1}{2}^-$, $(I, S) = (\frac{1}{2}, -2)$.

Model I		$\Xi(1620)$	$\Xi(1690)$	
M [MeV]		1599.95	1683.04	
Γ [MeV]		158.88	11.51	
		g_i	$ g_i $	
$\pi\Xi$		$2.09 + i1.00$	2.32	$-0.30 - i0.12$ 0.33
$\bar{K}\Lambda$		$-2.11 - i0.09$	2.11	$-0.49 + i0.05$ 0.50
$\bar{K}\Sigma$		$-0.90 + i0.34$	0.97	$1.57 - i0.24$ 1.59
$\eta\Xi$		$-0.23 + i0.13$	0.26	$0.74 - i0.11$ 0.74
Model II		$\Xi(1620)$	$\Xi(1690)$	
M [MeV]		1608.51	1686.17	
Γ [MeV]		170.00	29.72	
		g_i	$ g_i $	
$\pi\Xi$		$2.11 + i1.07$	2.37	$-0.36 - i0.24$ 0.43
$\bar{K}\Lambda$		$-2.10 - i0.09$	2.10	$-0.81 + i0.02$ 0.81
$\bar{K}\Sigma$		$-0.86 + i0.38$	0.94	$2.26 + i0.03$ 2.26
$\eta\Xi$		$-0.19 + i0.12$	0.23	$1.04 - i0.07$ 1.04

[2] A. Feijoo et al PRC 99 (2019)

[3] Belle coll. PRL 122 (2019)



Extension to $S=-2$ and $Q=-1$ sector

- The interaction kernel for the $S=-2, Q=-1$ sector can be built from the $S=-2, Q=0$ employing isospin symmetry arguments:

$$V_{ij}(S = -2, Q = 0) \rightarrow V_{ij}(I = 1/2), V_{ij}(I = 3/2) \rightarrow V_{ij}(S = -2, Q = -1)$$

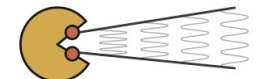
- Once again, the Bethe-Salpeter equation is solved in the same footing to get the T-matrix:

$$V_{ij} = V_{ij}^{WT} + V_{ij}^D + V_{ij}^C + V_{ij}^{NLO} \implies T = (1 - VG)^{-1}V \implies T_{ij}$$

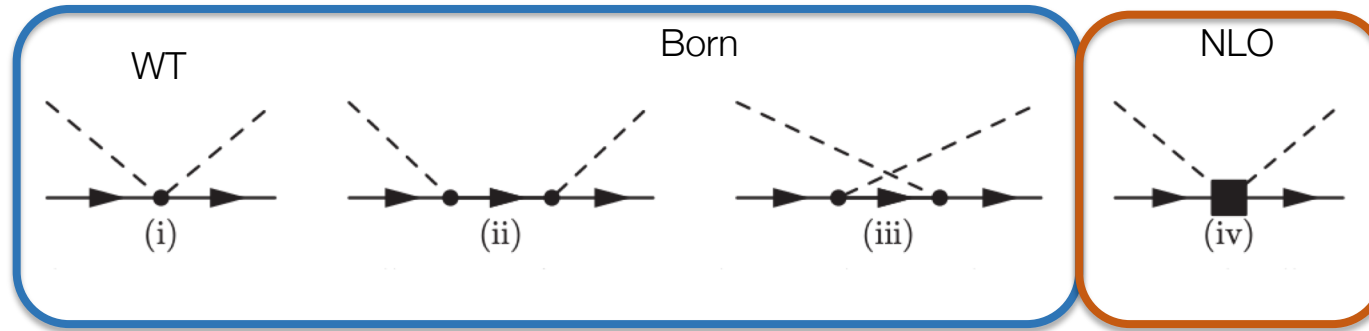
ΛK^- CF data available \longrightarrow unprecedented opportunity to fit a model for the first time in this sector

$$C(k) \simeq 1 + \int_0^\infty 4\pi r^2 dr S_{12}(r) \left[\sum_\beta \omega_\beta |\Psi_{\alpha\beta}(r)|^2 - |j_0(kr)|^2 \right]$$

$$\Psi_{\alpha\beta}(r) = \delta_{\alpha\beta} j_l(k_\alpha r) + \frac{1}{\pi} \int j_l(qr) dq q^2 \frac{1}{E - E_1^\beta(q) - E_2^\beta(q) + i\epsilon} T_{\alpha\beta;l}(q, k_\alpha; E)$$

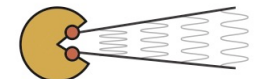


Fantastic LECs and SCs and where to find them

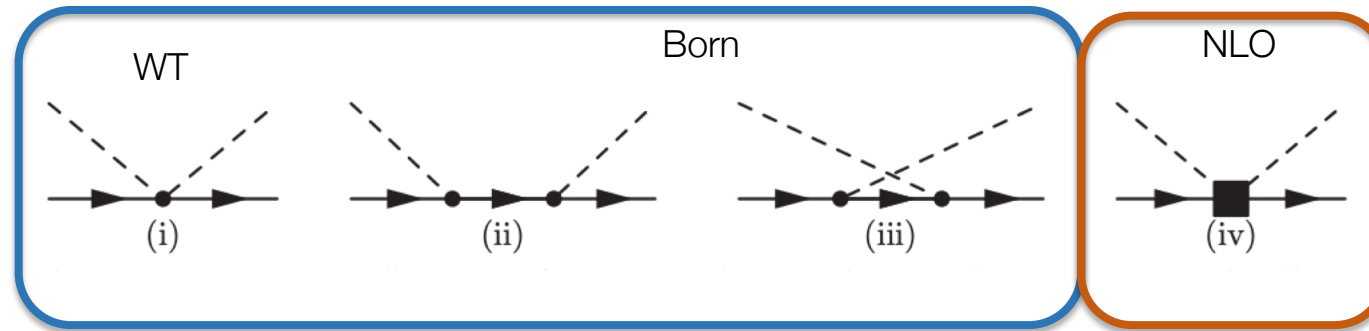


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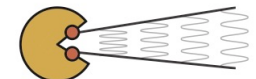
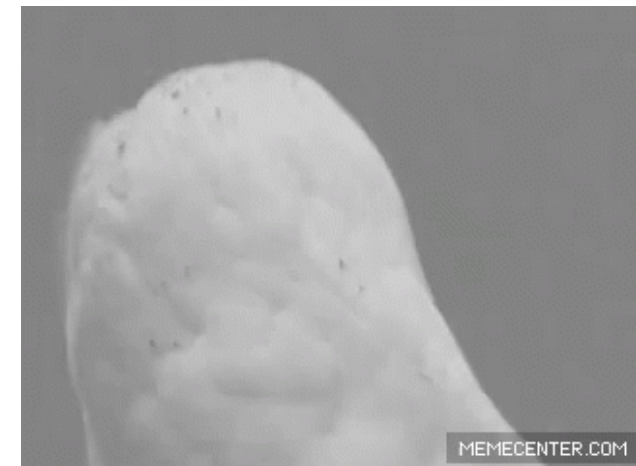
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Overall 12 input parameters to be fixed!

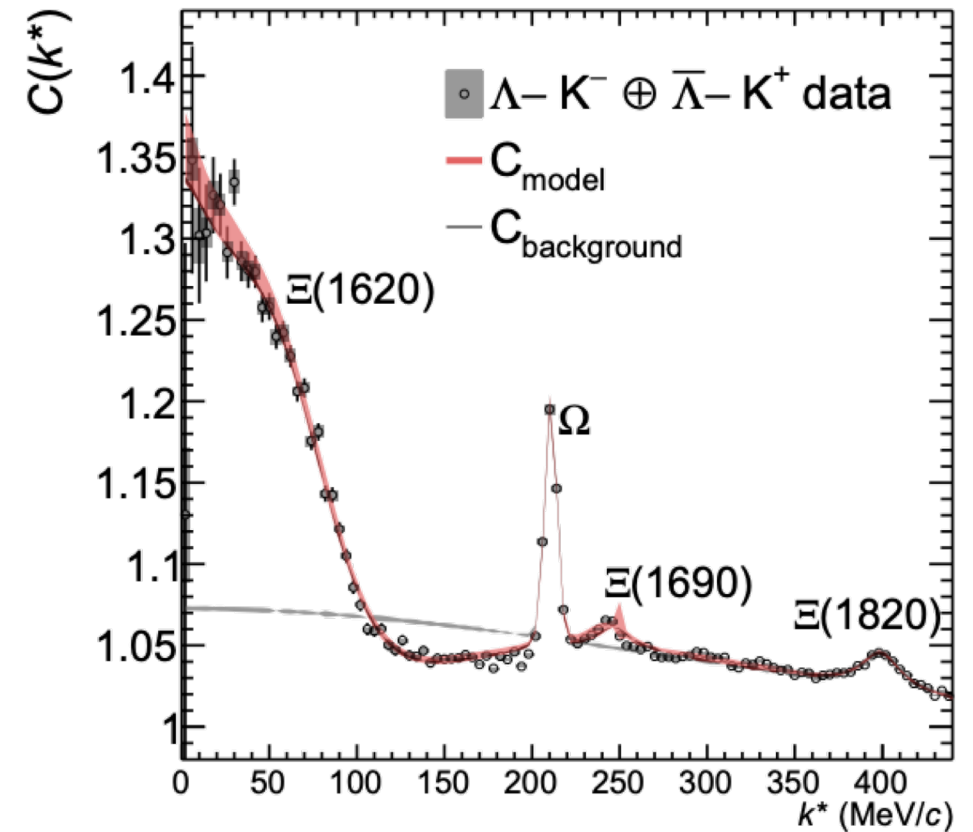


- First **combined effort in constraining** the input parameters of an **effective chiral lagrangian to correlation data**

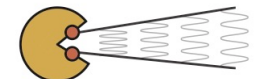
TABLE I. Extracted fit parameters with LECs and subtraction constants of the VBC $S = -2$ meson-baryon interaction at NLO and normalization constant N_D . The bootstrap method [62–64] was employed to determine the errors of the parameters.

$a_{\Xi\pi}$	-2.96 ± 0.11
$a_{\Lambda\bar{K}}$	-1.87 ± 0.10
$a_{\Sigma\bar{K}}$	-1.32 ± 0.02
$a_{\Xi\eta}$	-2.42 ± 0.03
f/f_π	1.000 ± 0.001
b_0 [GeV $^{-1}$]	-2.997 ± 0.002
b_D [GeV $^{-1}$]	1.20 ± 0.09
b_F [GeV $^{-1}$]	-0.30 ± 0.12
d_1 [GeV $^{-1}$]	-0.69 ± 0.18
d_2 [GeV $^{-1}$]	-0.21 ± 0.06
d_3 [GeV $^{-1}$]	0.08 ± 0.20
d_4 [GeV $^{-1}$]	-0.39 ± 0.05
N_D	1.0015 ± 0.0004

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Femtoscscopy era in the S=-2 meson-baryon sector

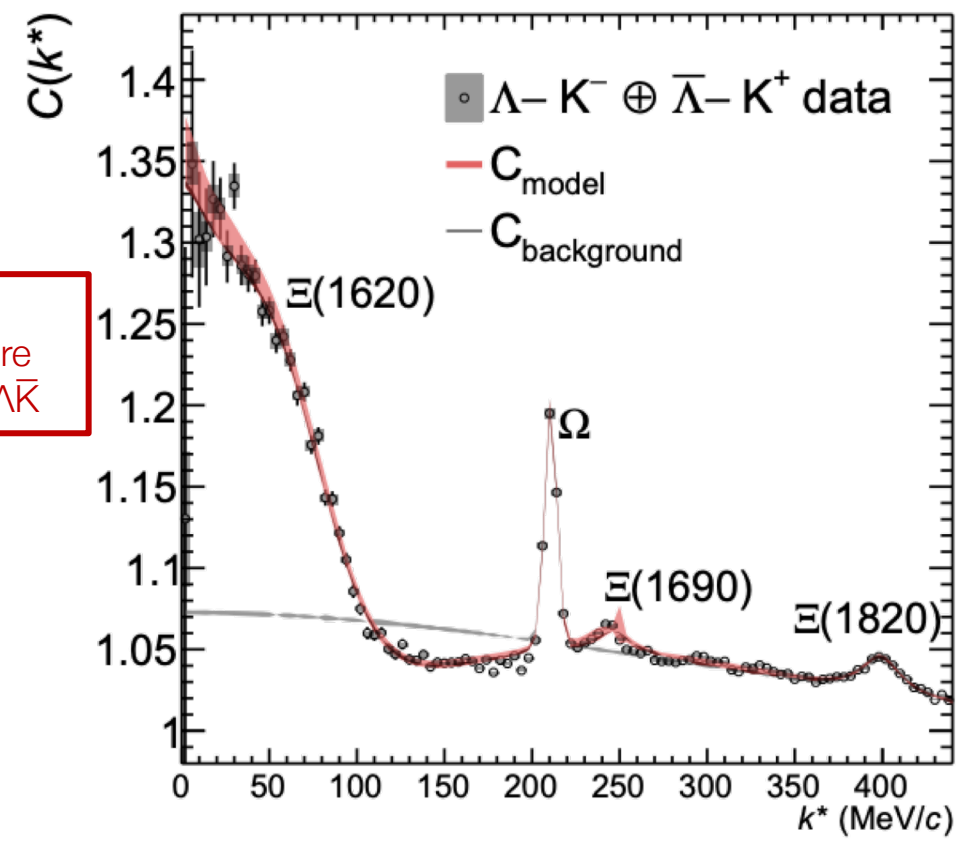
- First **combined effort in constraining** the input parameters of an **effective chiral lagrangian to correlation data**
- How does the $\Xi(1620)$ pole scenario look like?

mass M :	1612.68 MeV	1670.28 MeV
width Γ :	24.57 MeV	7.44 MeV
Riemann sheet:	(- - - + + +)	(- - - + + +)
	$ g_i $ $ g_i^2 dG/dE $	$ g_i $ $ g_i^2 dG/dE $
$\pi^- \Xi^0(1454)$	0.51 0.014	0.22 0.002
$\pi^0 \Xi^- (1456)$	0.36 0.007	0.39 0.007
$K^- \Lambda(1609)$	0.94 0.162	0.07 0.000
$K^- \Sigma^0(1686)$	0.17 0.002	2.20 0.761
$\bar{K}^0 \Sigma^- (1695)$	0.21 0.003	1.37 0.230
$\eta \Xi^- (1868)$	5.86 0.937	0.05 0.000
Experimental Ξ^* :	$\Xi(1620)$ [18]	$\Xi(1690)$ [56]
mass M :	$1610.4 \pm 6.0^{+5.9}_{-3.5}$ MeV	1690 ± 10 MeV
width Γ :	$59.9 \pm 4.8^{+2.8}_{-3.0}$ MeV	20 ± 15 MeV

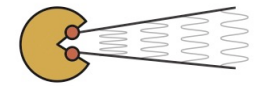
$\Xi(1620)$ pole
Mainly molecular nature
composed of $\eta \Xi$ and $\Lambda \bar{K}$

$\Xi(1690)$ pole
Virtual state
Mainly coupled to $\bar{K} \Sigma$

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Subtraction constants

- Unitarized scattering amplitude from Chiral Lagrangian (**WT+Born+NLO**)

$$V_{ij} = V_{ij}^{WT} + V_{ij}^D + V_{ij}^C + V_{ij}^{NLO} \implies T = (1 - VG)^{-1}V \implies T_{ij}$$

Only S-wave contribution is taken into account

$$G_l = \frac{2M_l}{(4\pi)^2} \left\{ a_l(\mu) + \ln \frac{M_l^2}{\mu^2} + \frac{m_l^2 - M_l^2 + s}{2s} \ln \frac{m_l^2}{M_l^2} + \frac{q_{\text{cm}}}{\sqrt{s}} \ln \left[\frac{(s + 2\sqrt{s}q_{\text{cm}})^2 - (M_l^2 - m_l^2)^2}{(s - 2\sqrt{s}q_{\text{cm}})^2 - (M_l^2 - m_l^2)^2} \right] \right\}$$

$$a_{\pi^0 \Xi^0} = a_{\pi^+ \Xi^-} = a_{\pi \Xi}$$

$$a_{\bar{K}^0 \Lambda} = a_{\bar{K} \Lambda}$$

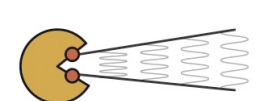
$$a_{\bar{K}^0 \Sigma^0} = a_{K^- \Sigma^+} = a_{\bar{K} \Sigma}$$

$$a_{\eta \Xi^0} = a_{\eta \Xi}$$

With isospin symmetry

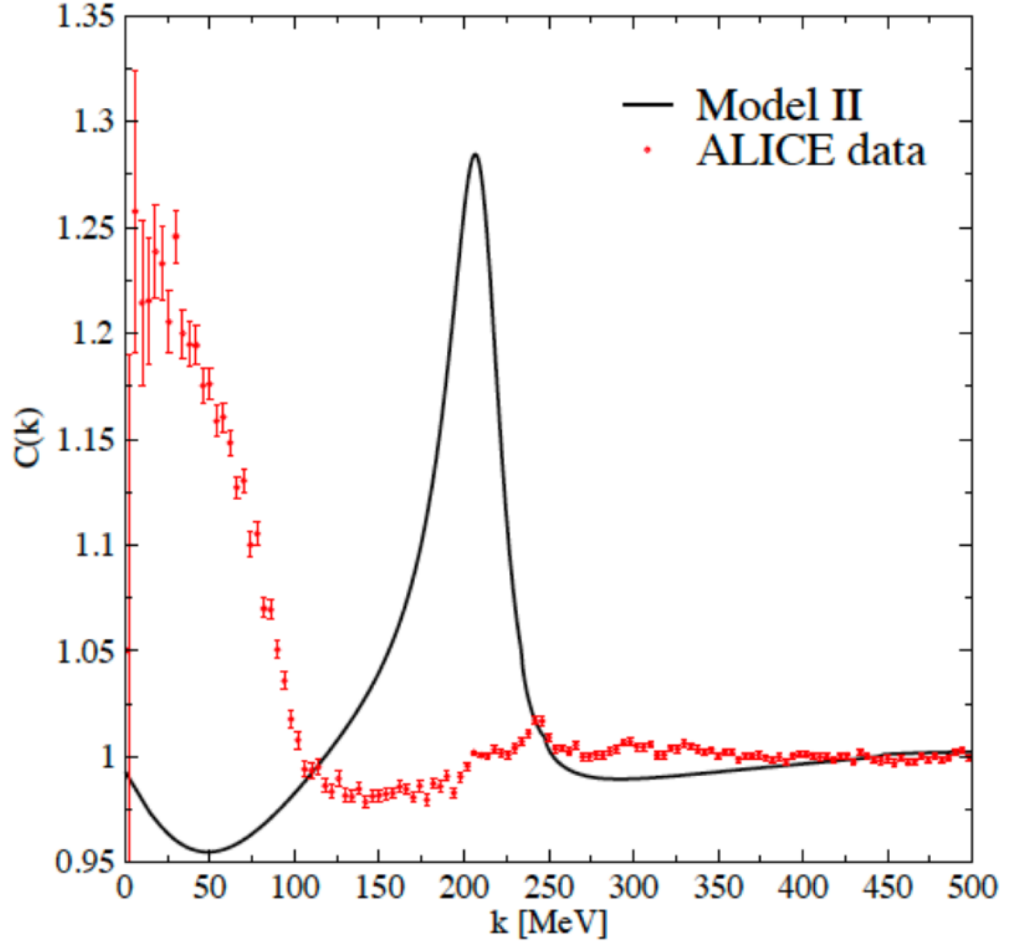
subtraction constants for the dimensional regularization scale $\mu = 630 \text{ MeV}$ in all the "I" channels.

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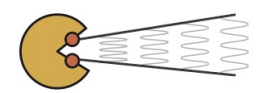
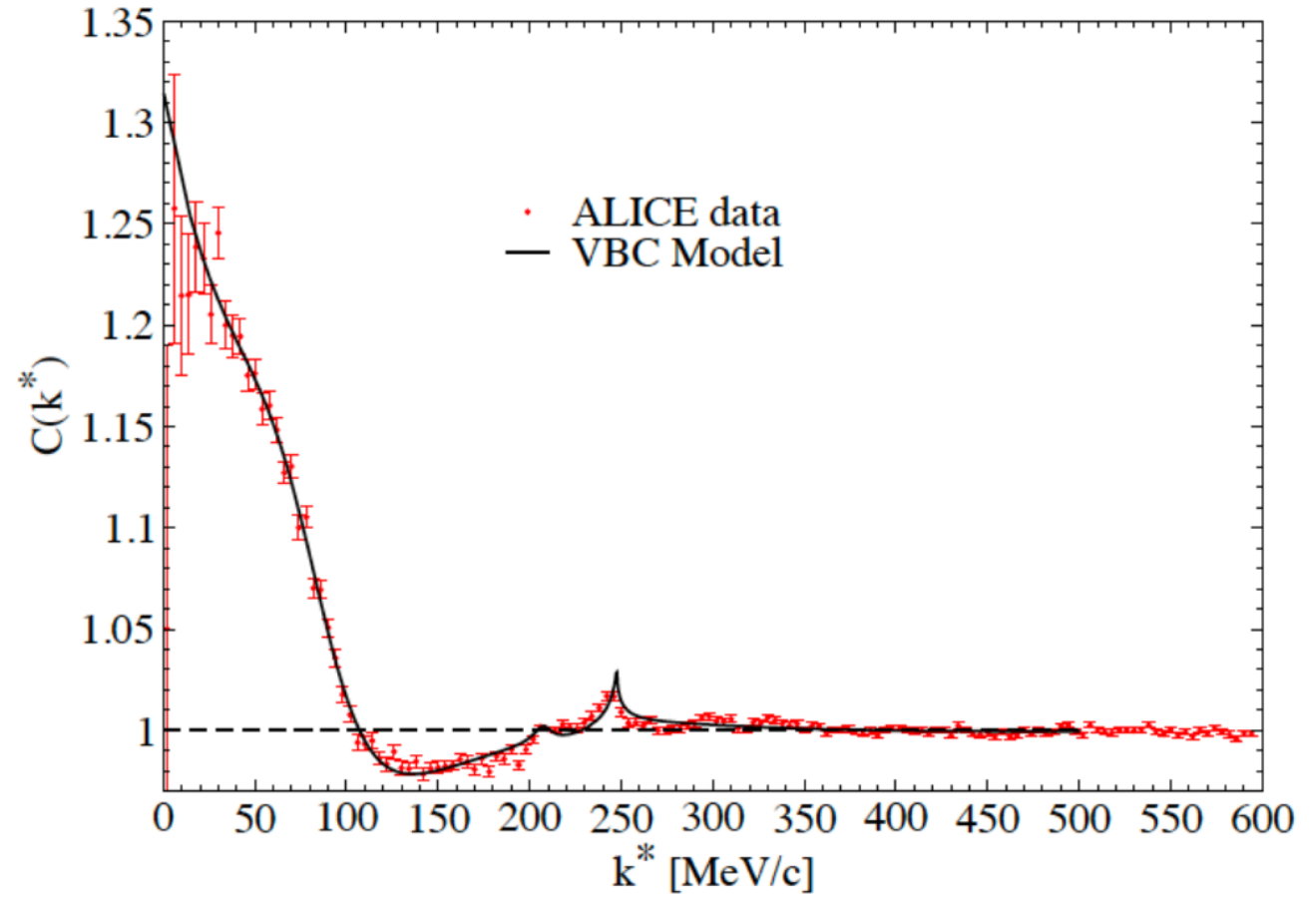


Comparison BCN and VBC model

$K^- \Lambda$ correlation function



$K^- \Lambda$ Correlation Function



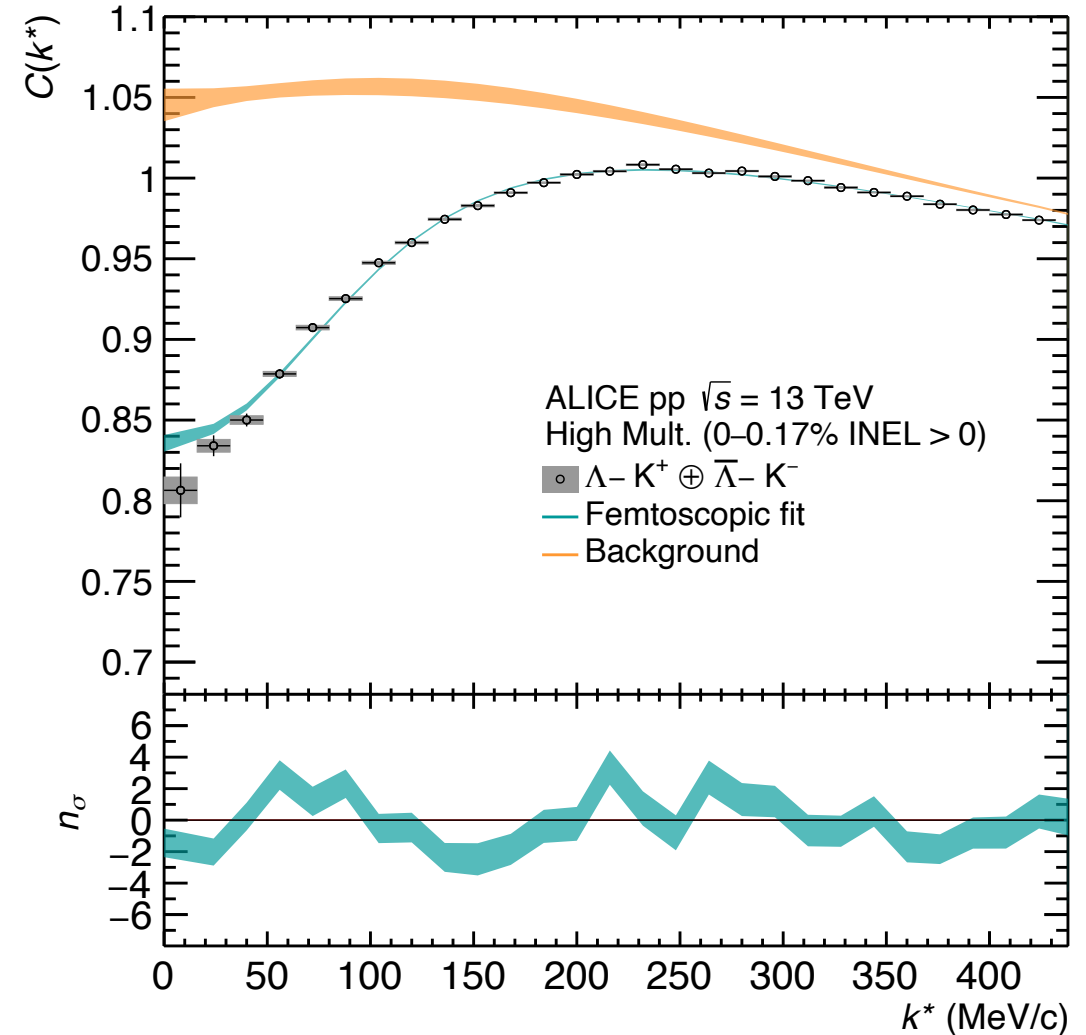
The ΛK^+ correlation in pp collisions

- Correlation below unity at low k^* → **Repulsive interaction**

$$C(k^*) = N_D \cdot C_{model}(k^*) \cdot C_{bckg}(k^*)$$

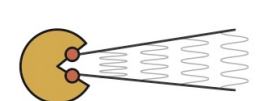
- Residual background** due to initial parton scattering
 - Typically observed in meson-baryon and baryon-antibaryon correlations^[1,2]
 - Modeled using **Monte-carlo simulations**^[2]
- Genuine correlation** modeled with the Lednicky-Lyuboshits formula^[2,3]
 - Assuming the **scattering amplitude** within the **effective range expansion**

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[1] ALICE Coll. Phys.Rev.Lett. 124 (2020)

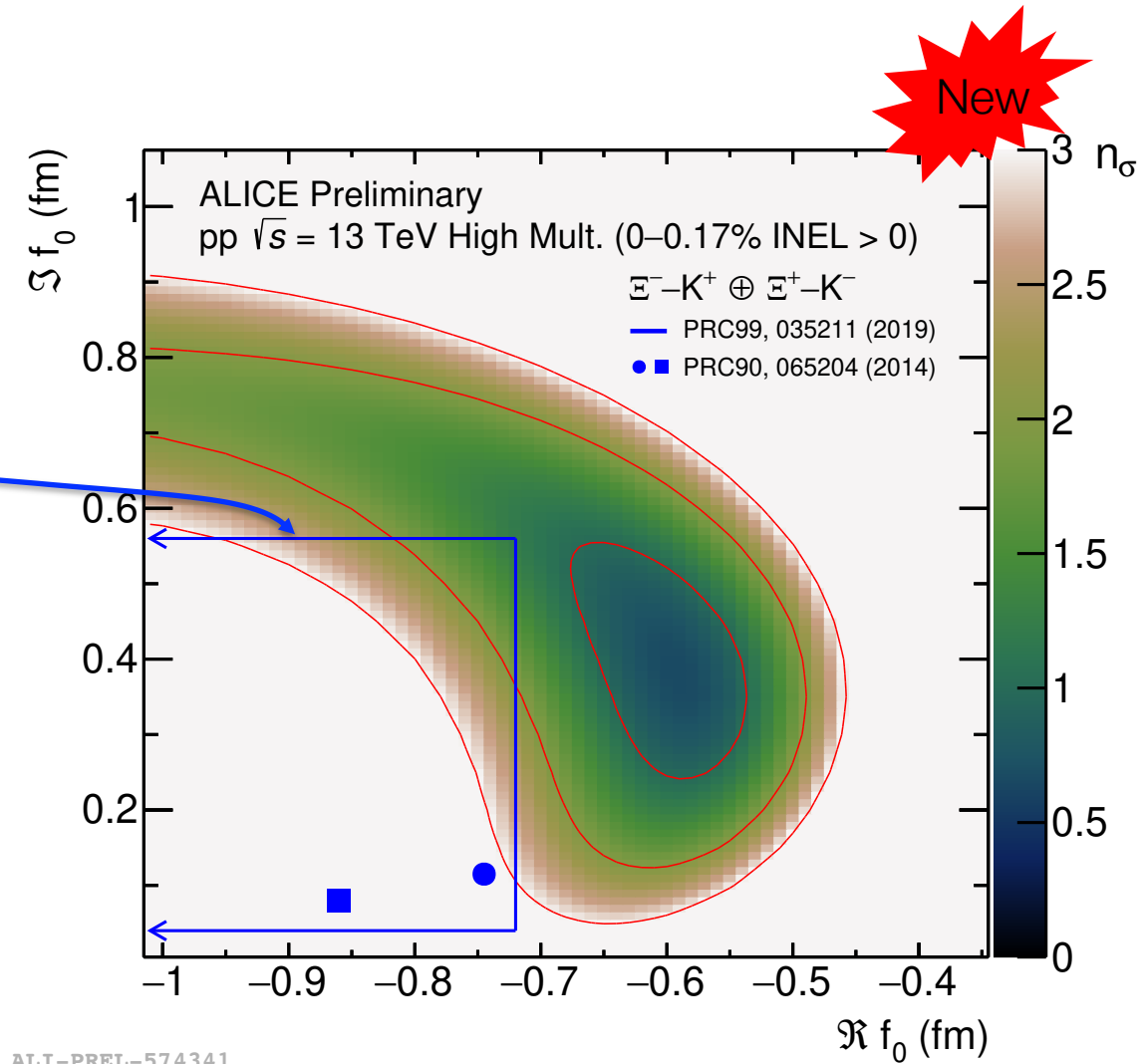
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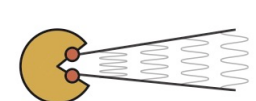
Constraining the scattering parameters of Ξ^-K^+ pairs

- Comparison of data with modeling assuming different values of $(\Re f_0, \Im f_0)$
 - Delivered in terms of number of standard deviations ($n\sigma$) in $k^* \in [0, 250]$ MeV/c
- Allowed values for f_0 from **state-of-the-art chiral calculations** at next-to-leading order and phenomenological potentials **constrained to available scattering data**

Higher precision constraints can be delivered with correlation data

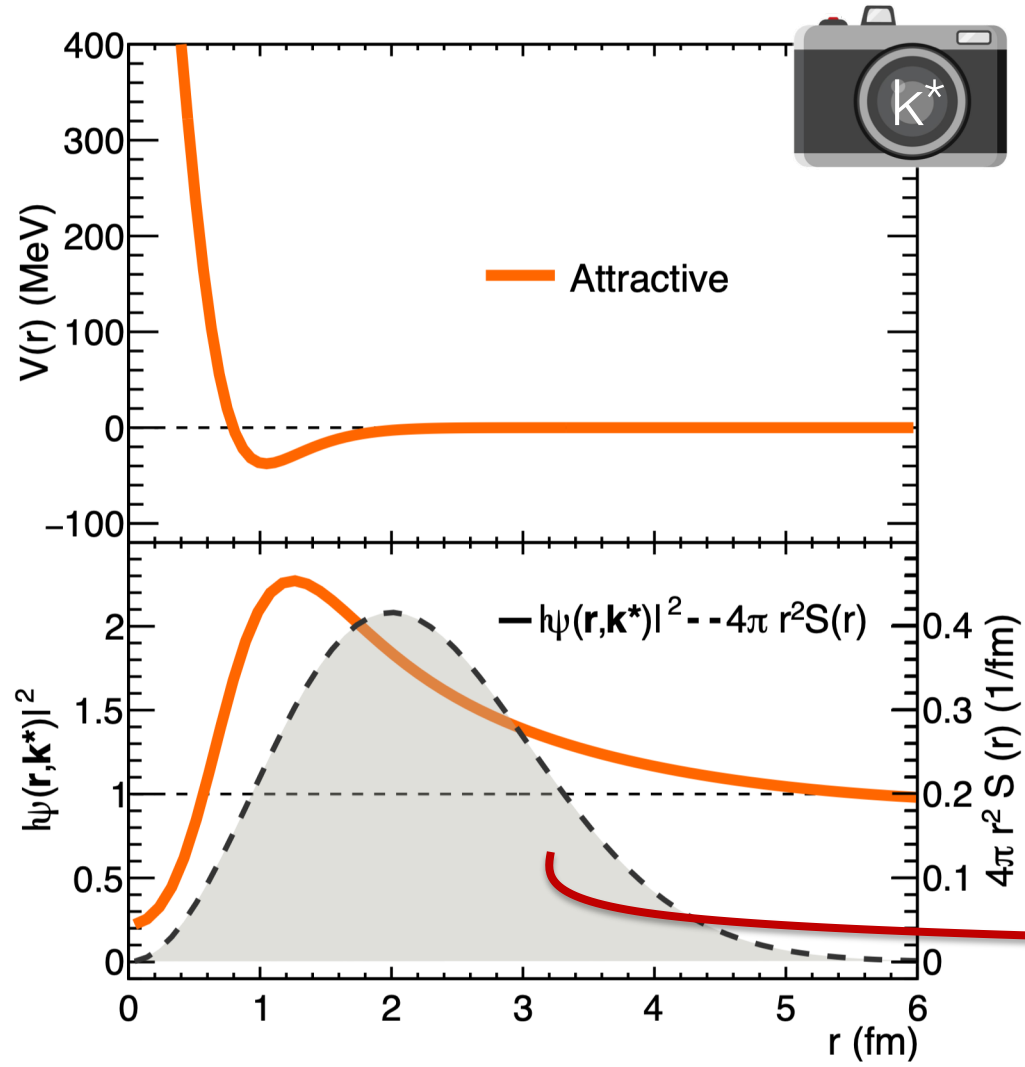


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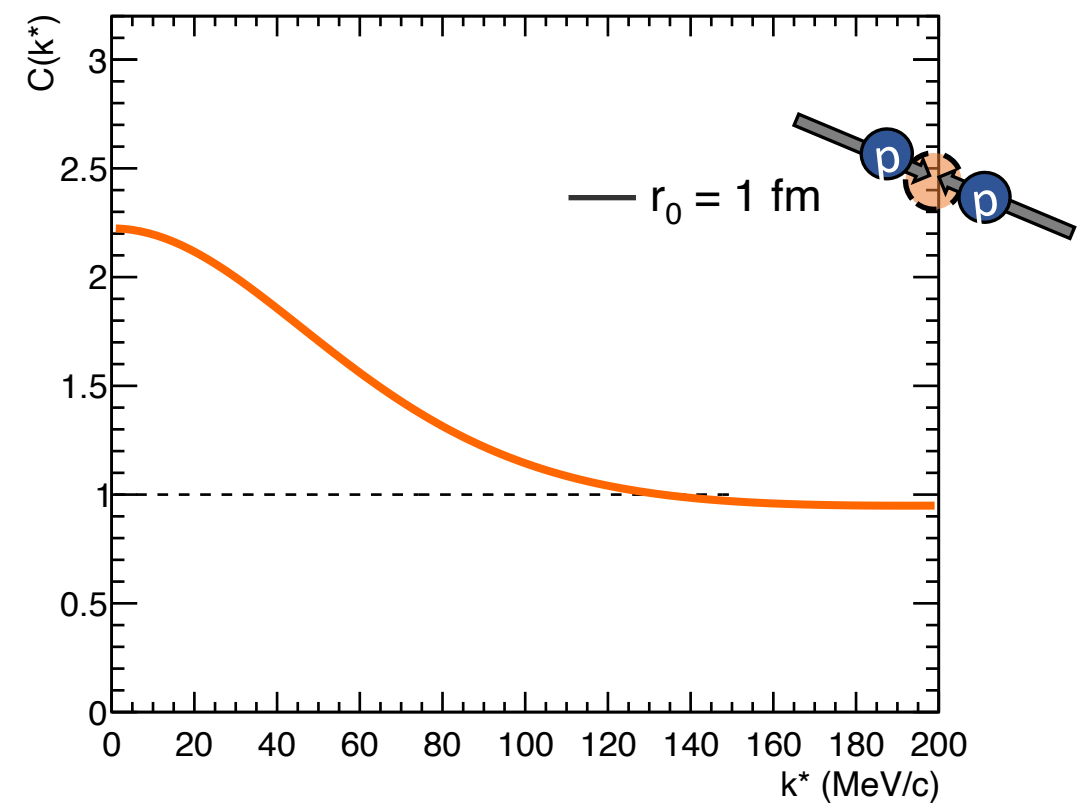


From small to large colliding systems

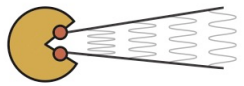
“What’s inside the integral“



$$C(k^*) = \int S(\vec{r}^*) |\psi(\vec{k}^*, \vec{r}^*)|^2 d^3\vec{r}^*$$

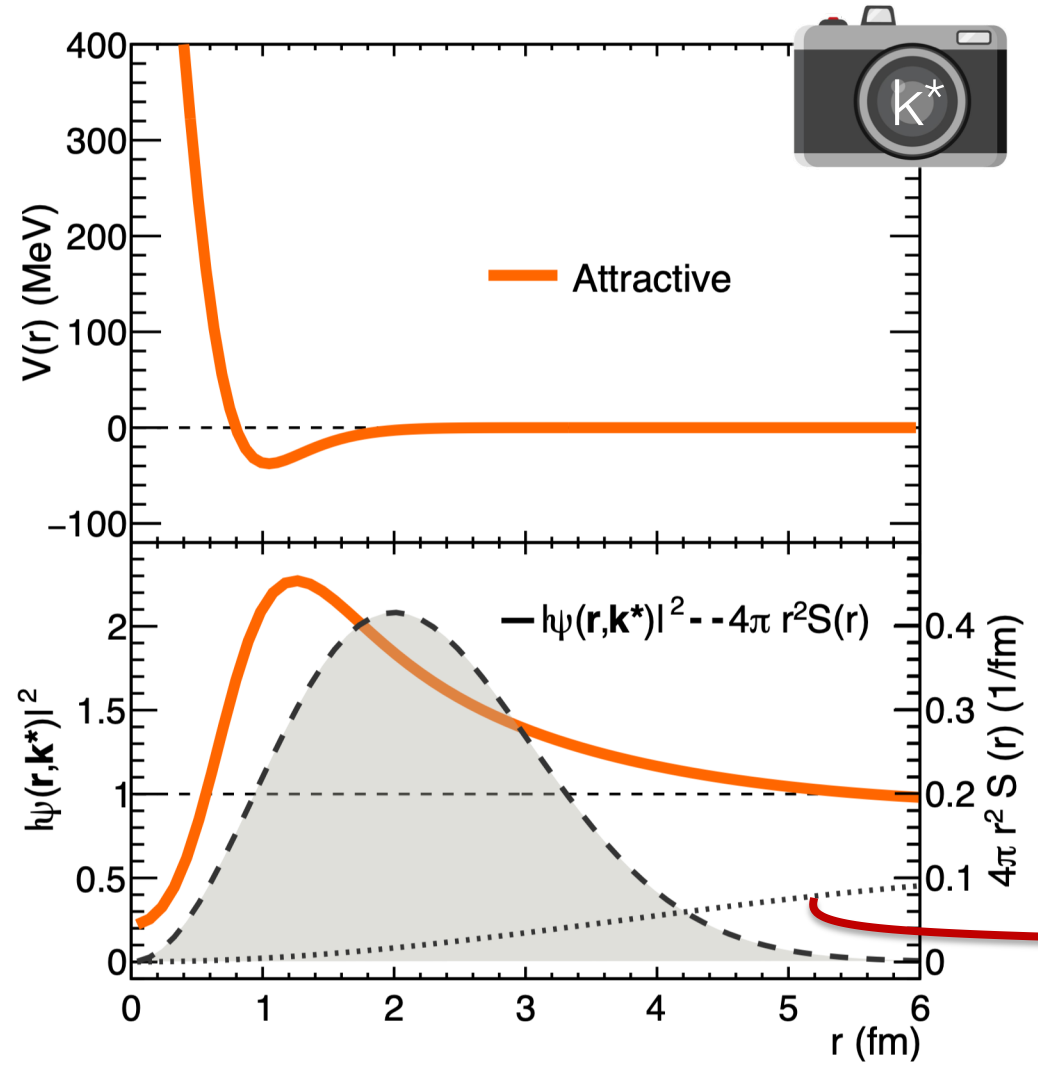


Accessing short-range dynamics in pp collisions

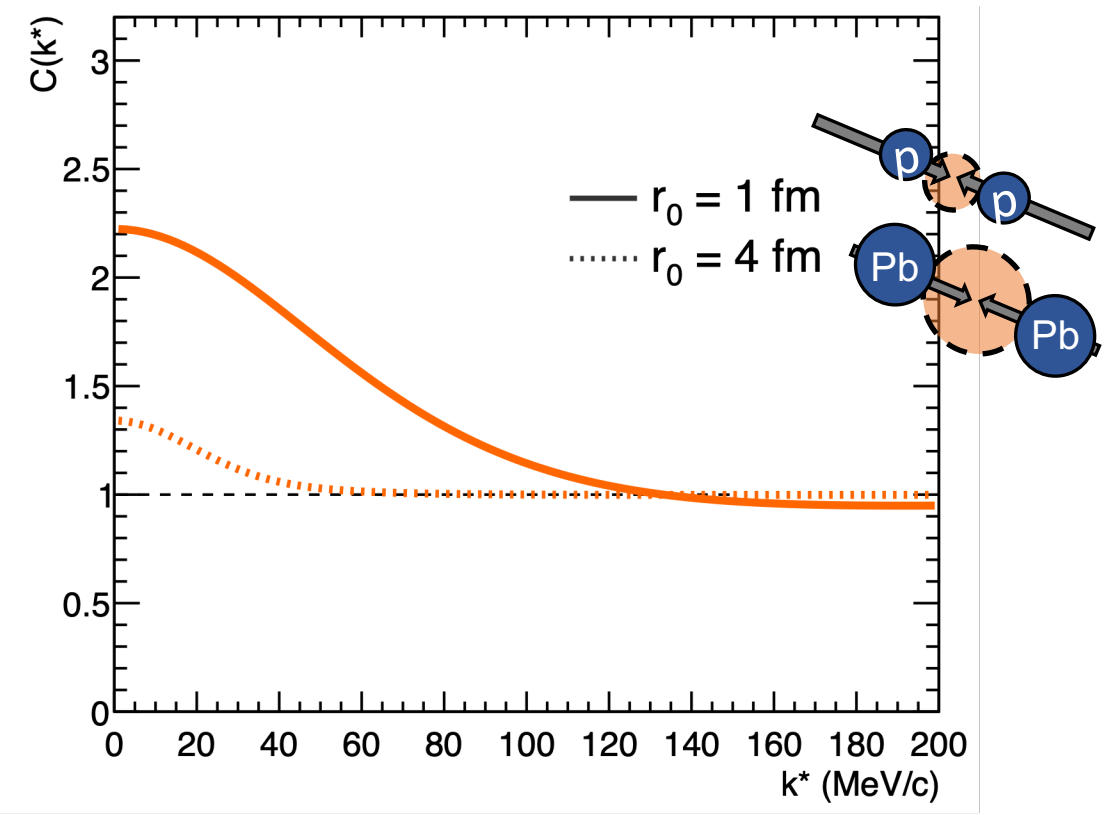


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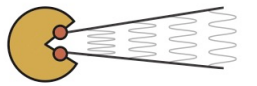
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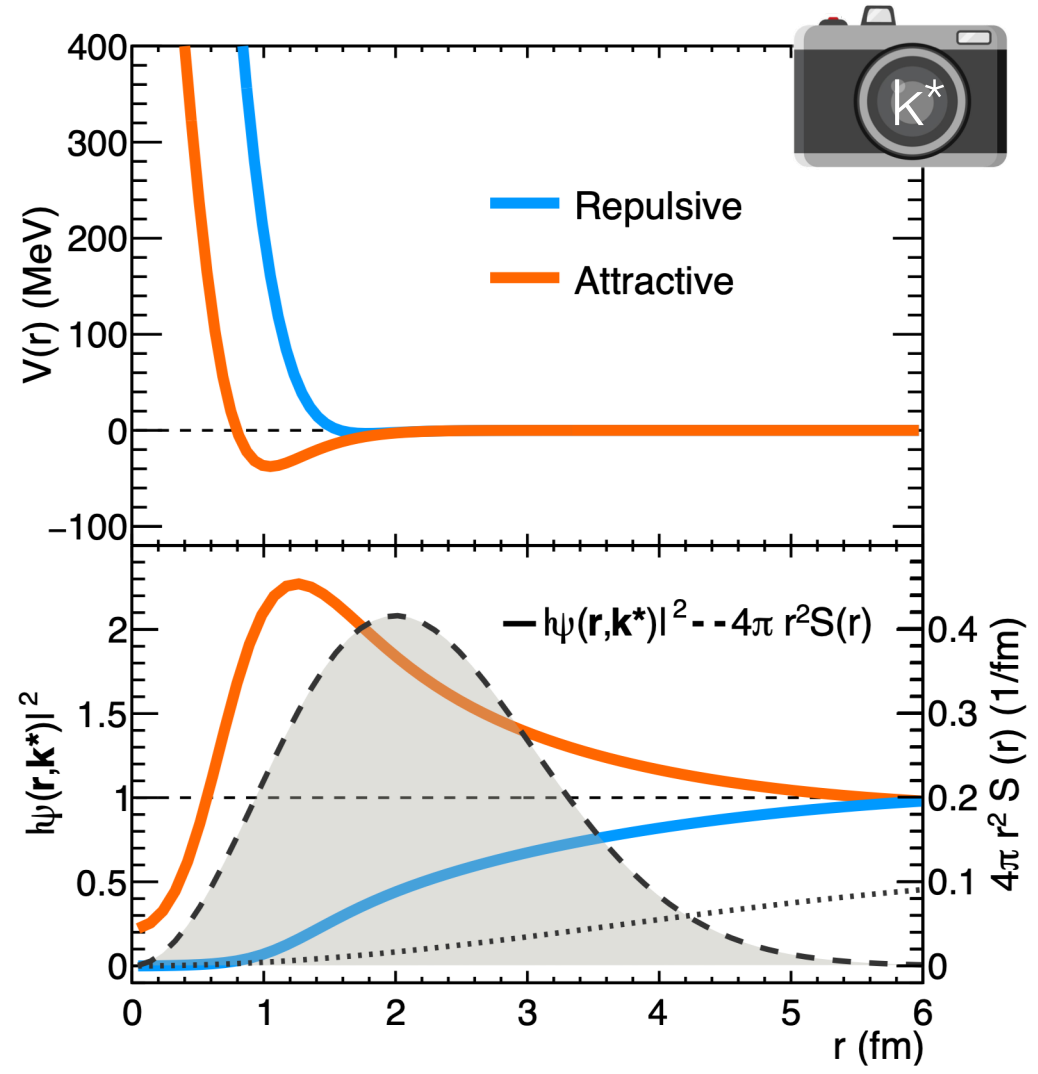


Decrease of signal strength for large source sizes

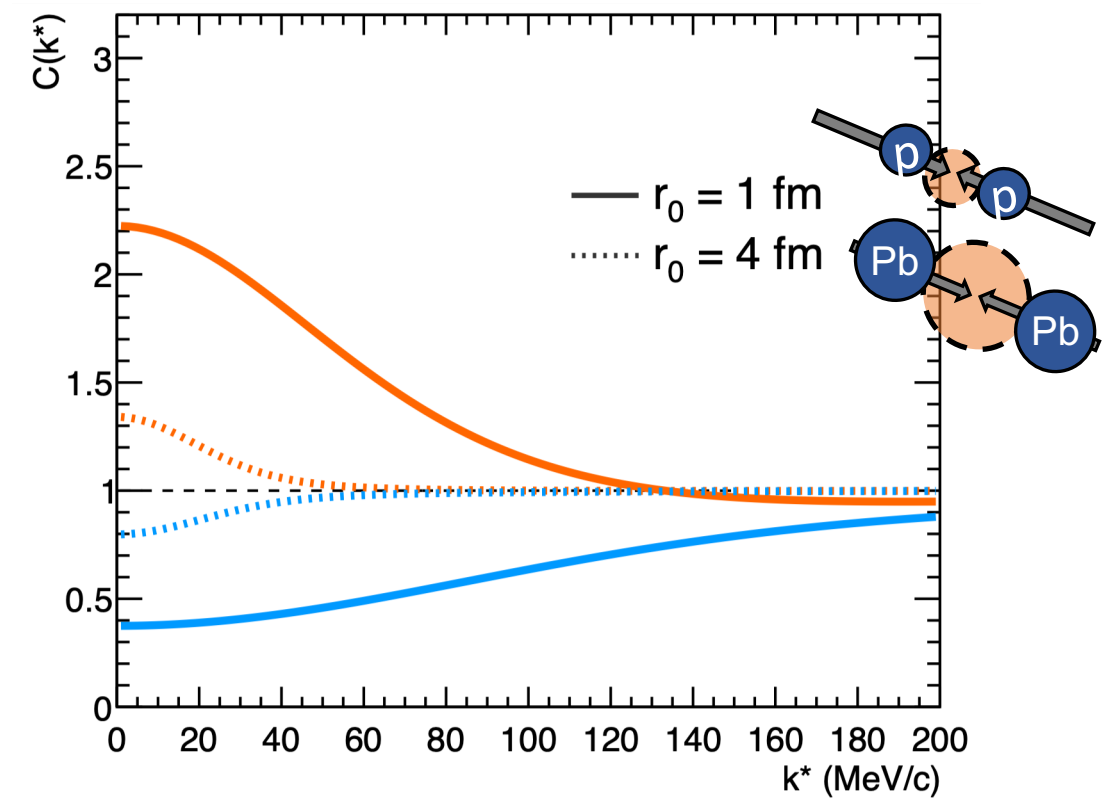


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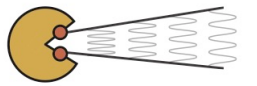
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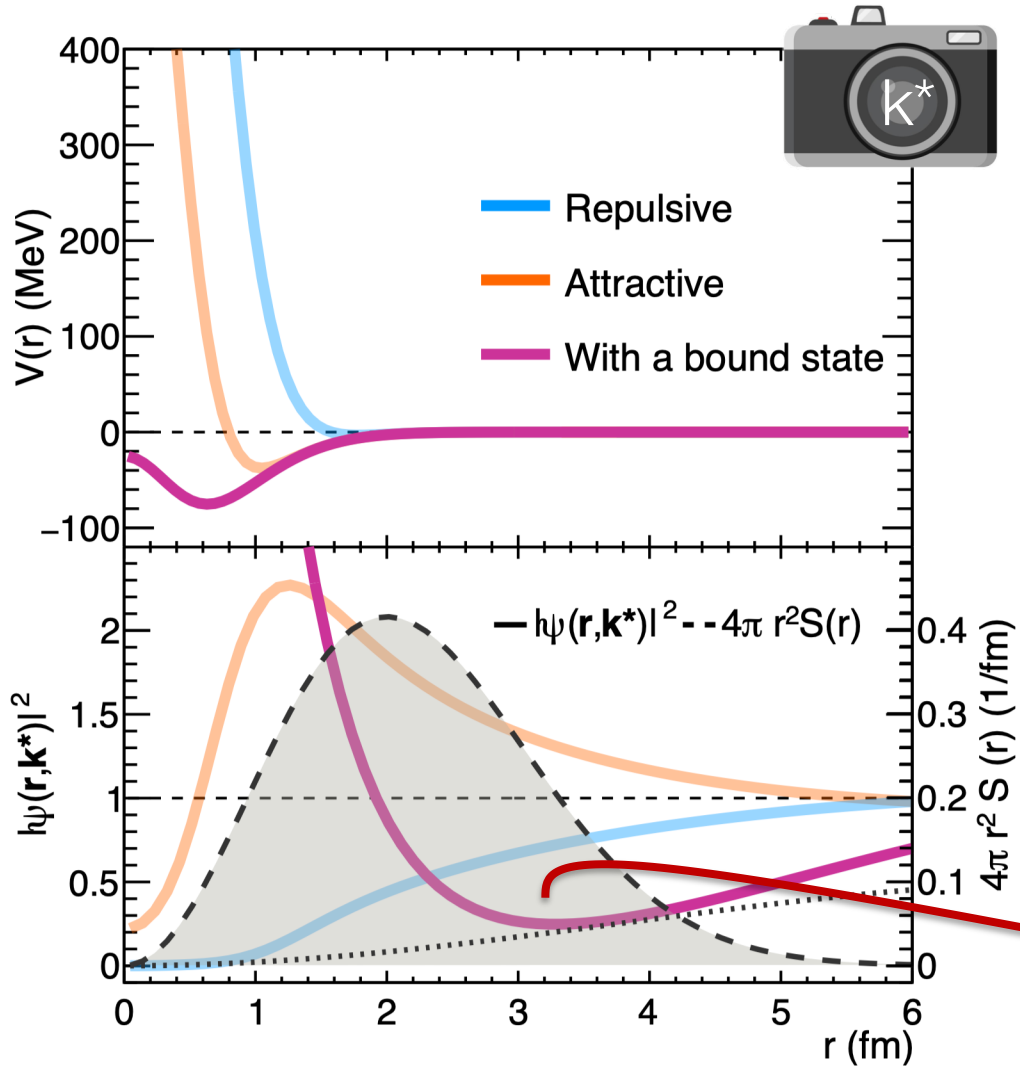


$C(k^*) \begin{cases} > 1 & \text{Attractive (no BS)} \\ < 1 & \text{Repulsive} \end{cases}$

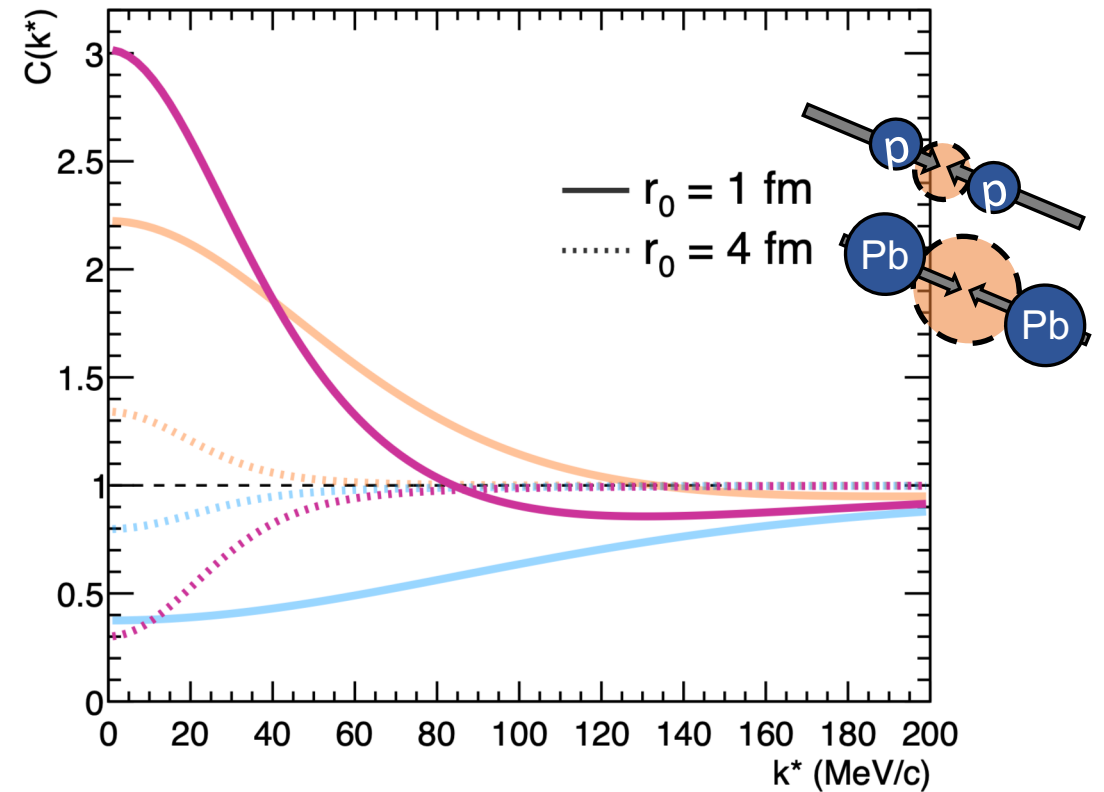


A clear signature for bound states

“What’s inside the integral“



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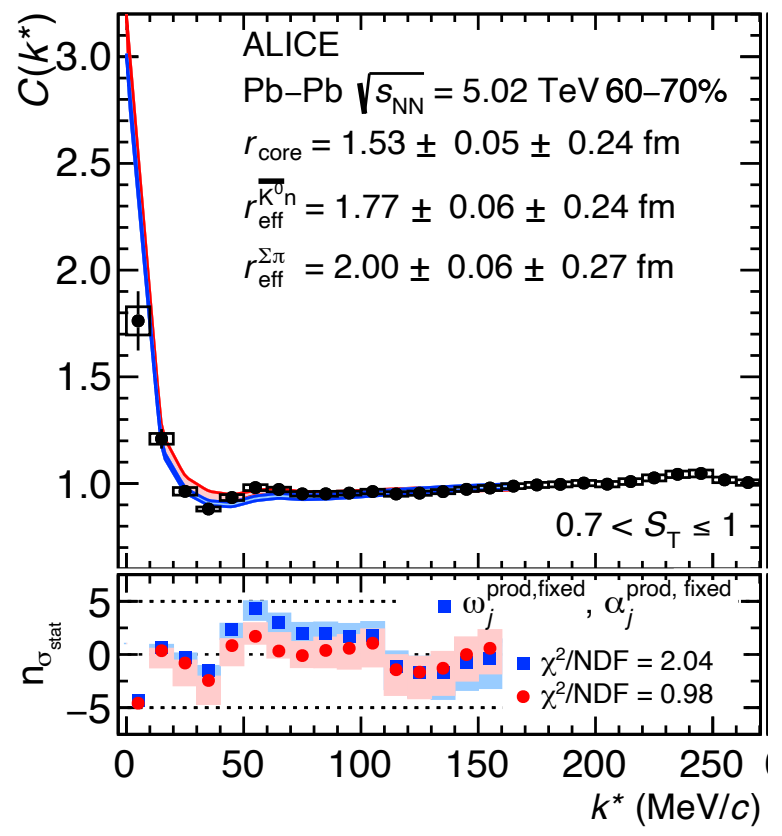
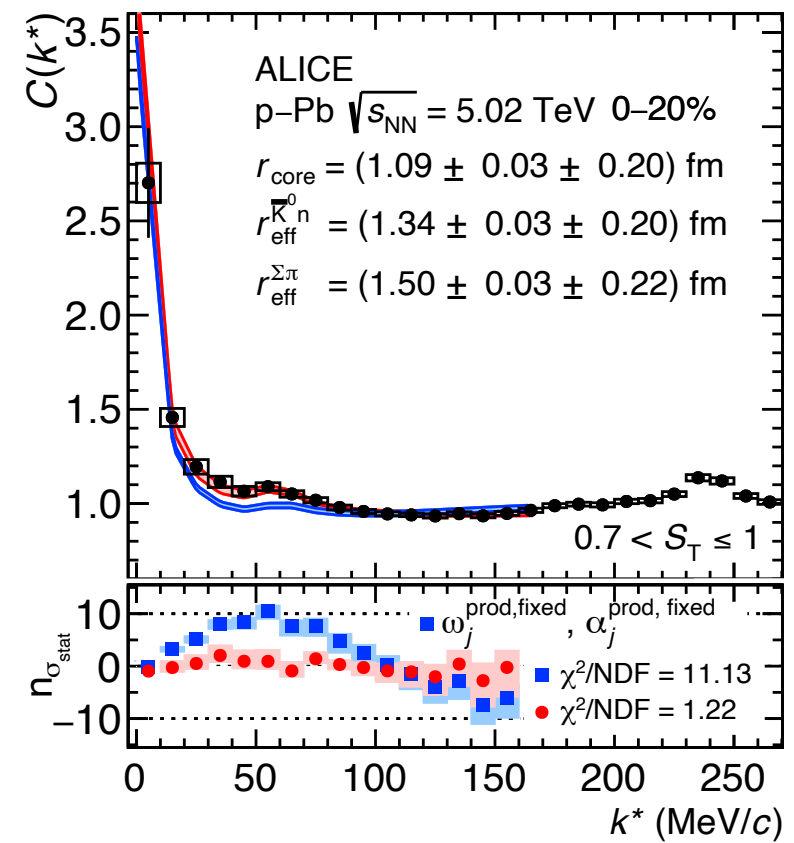
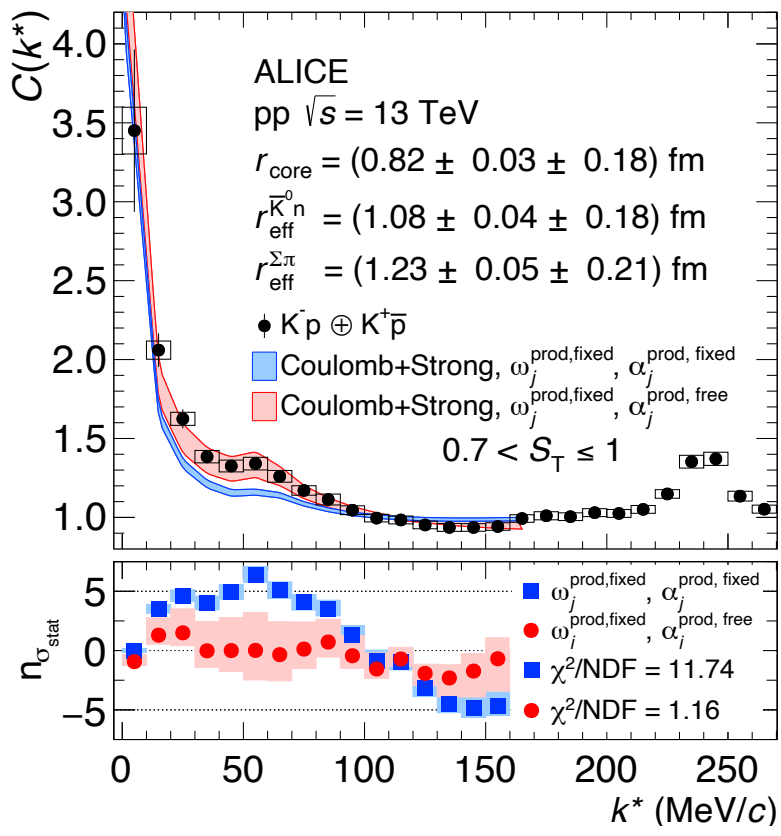
Correlation flips around unity when a bound state is present!

K⁻-p femtoscopy in different colliding systems

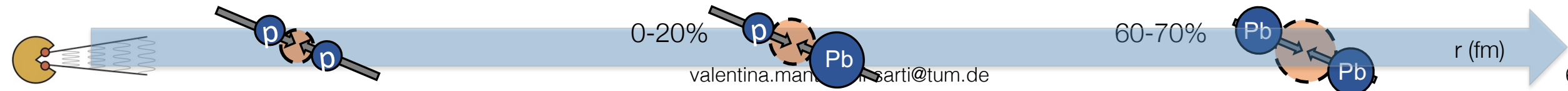
Fit the scaling factor needed for the model to reproduce the data

$$C(k^*) = \int S(r) |\psi_{1 \rightarrow 1}(k^*, r)|^2 d^3r + \sum_{j=\Sigma\pi, \bar{K}^0n} \alpha_j \cdot \omega_j^{\text{prod}} \int S_j(r) |\psi_{j \rightarrow 1}(k_j^*, r)|^2 d^3r$$

χ EFT Kyoto model:
 Ikeda et al. NPA 881 (2012),
 PLB706 (2011)
 Kamiya et al. PRL 124 (2020)
 Miyahara et al. PRC95 (2017)



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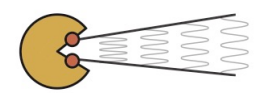
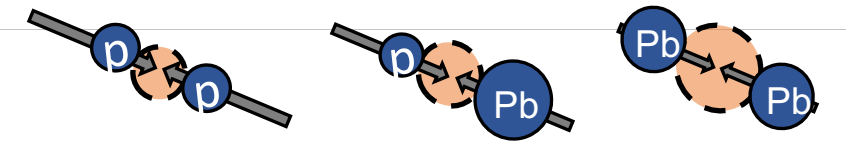
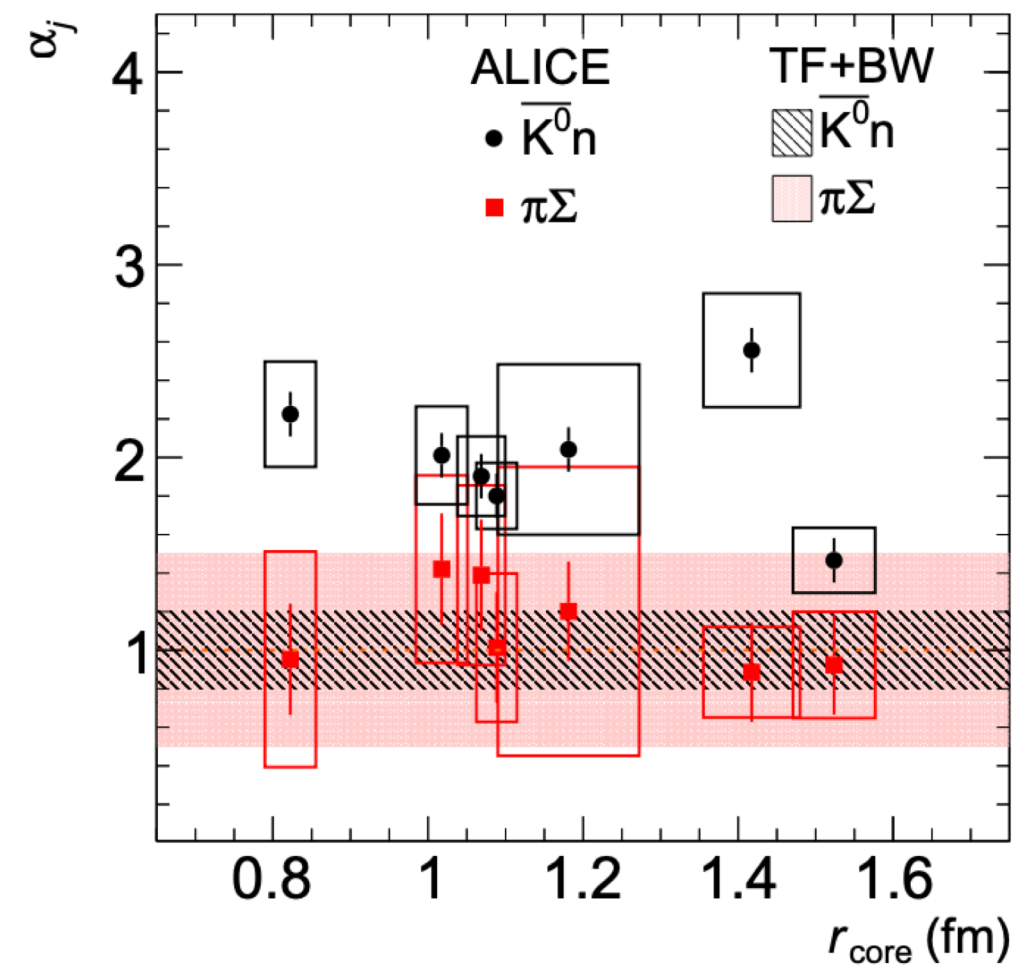


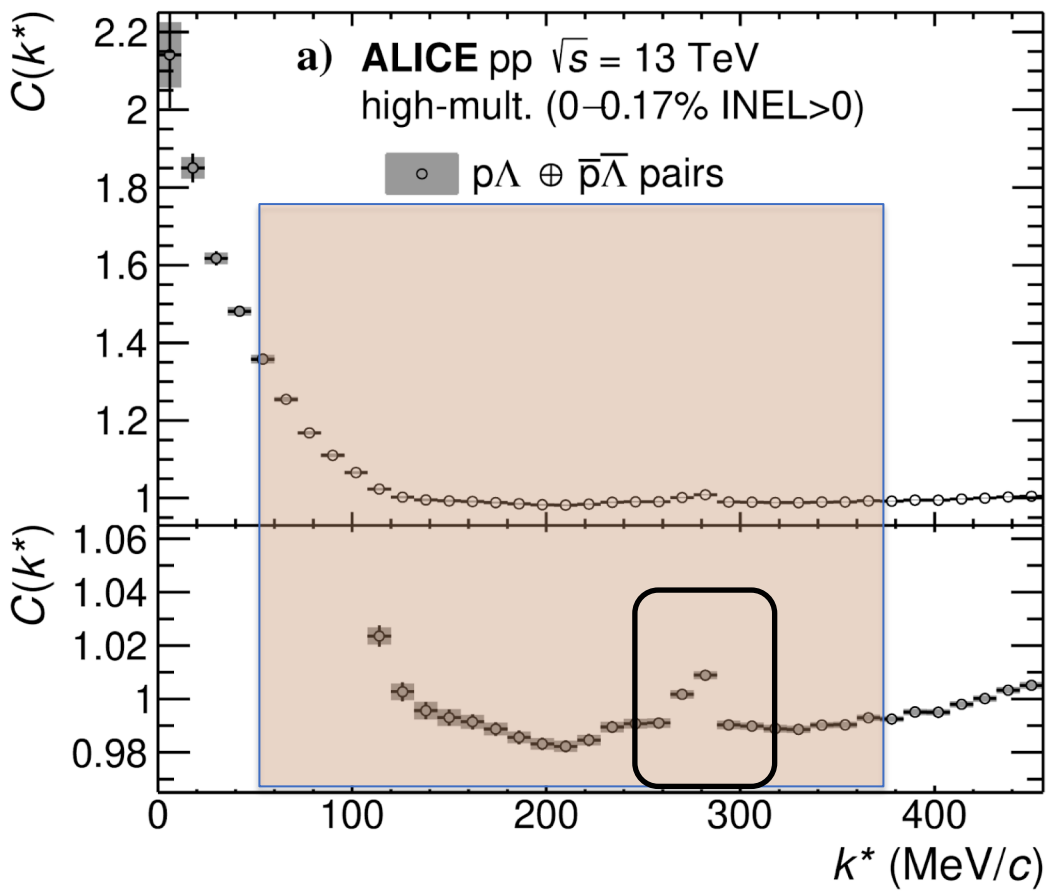
Extracted strong weights for $\Sigma\pi$ and $\bar{K}^0 n$ channels

Unique constraint and direct access to $K^-p \leftrightarrow \bar{K}^0 n$ and $K^-p \leftrightarrow \Sigma\pi$ dynamics

- $\Sigma\pi$ consistent with unity
- deviation from unity for $\bar{K}^0 n$
 - $K^-p - \bar{K}^0 n$ coupling too weak in chiral potentials
 - update the scattering amplitude of $KN-\pi\Sigma-\pi\Lambda$ system by including correlation measurements to available kaonic hydrogen and scattering data

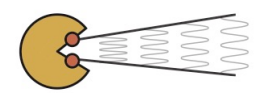
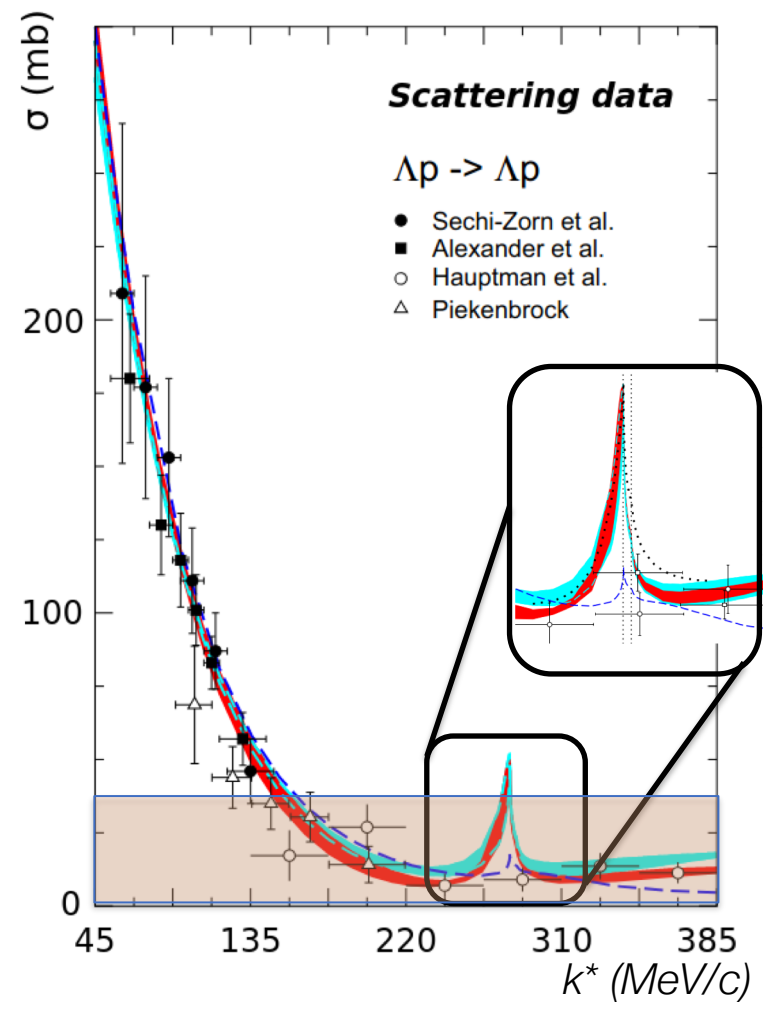
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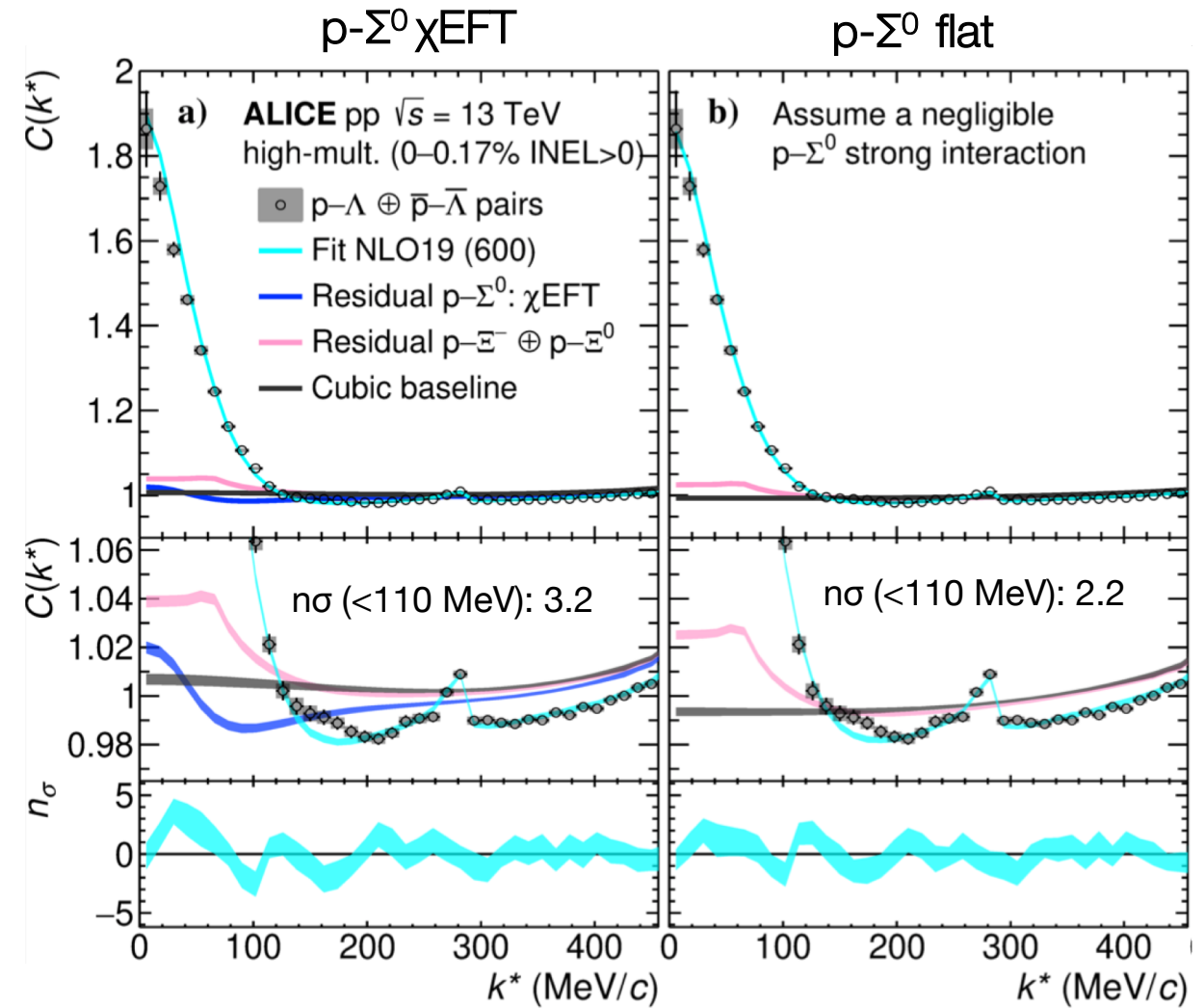
- Extension of kinematic range
- Measurement down to zero momentum
- Factor 20 improved precision in data (<1%)
- First experimental evidence of ΣN cusp in 2-body channel



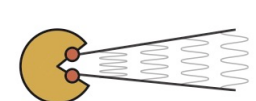
High-precision data on ΛN - ΣN interaction at LHC

- New scenario arising for ΛN - ΣN interaction
 - NLO19 potentials favoured
 - Sensitivity to residual p - Σ^0 interaction
 - Crucial input from several measurements:
 - $p\Sigma^{+,-}$ correlations in LHC Run 2/Run 3
 - $p\Sigma^{+,-}$ scattering data J-PARC E40
- Deviations with correlation data observed

First-ever combined analysis using available $p\Lambda$ scattering and correlation data

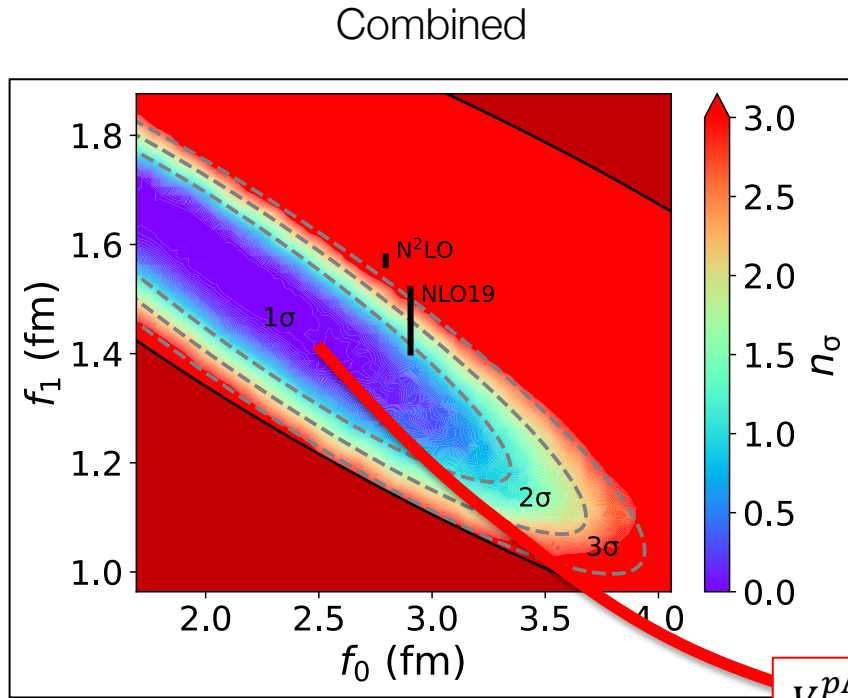


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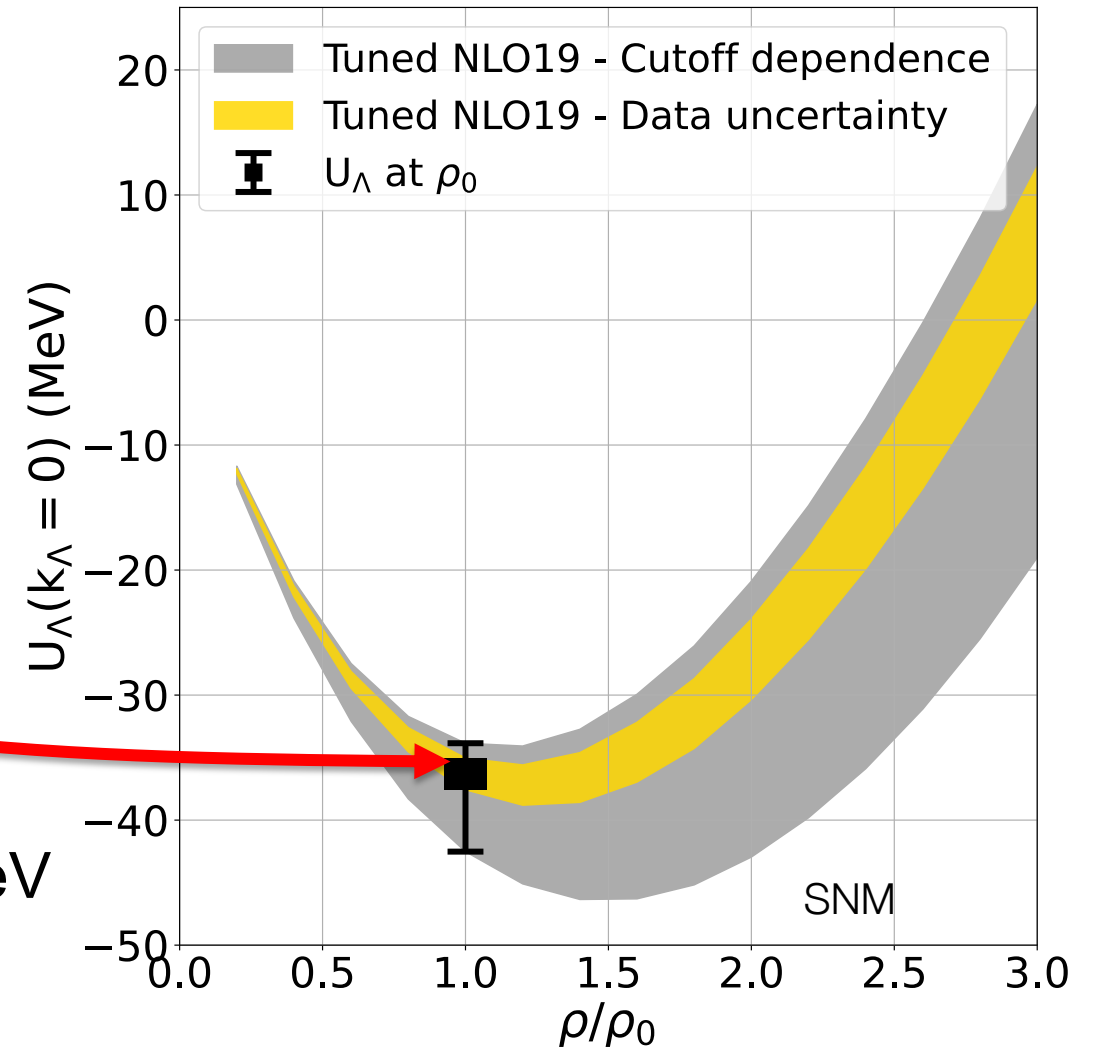


Quantifying the two-body contribution of U_Λ

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$V_{NLO19}^{p\Lambda}$ in mom. space
via G-matrix approach



$$U_\Lambda^{2BF}(\rho_0) = -36.3 \pm 1.3(stat)_{-6.2}^{+2.5}(syst) \text{ MeV}$$

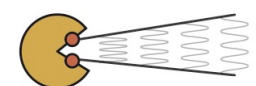
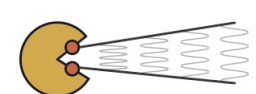


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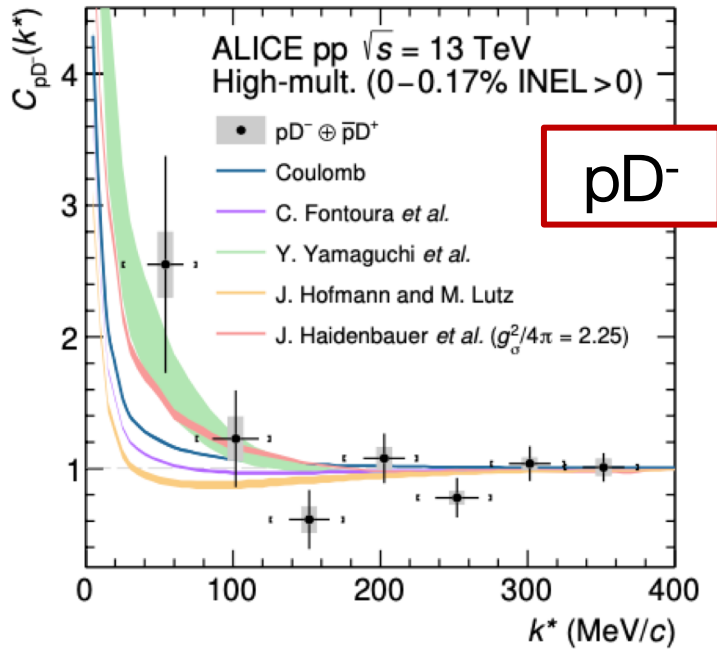
Summary table showing the compatibility of different scattering parameters to the femtocsopy data ($n\sigma_{\text{fmt}}$), scattering data ($n\sigma_{\text{sct}}$) as well as the combined analysis from the present work ($n\sigma_{\text{tot}}$). If the combined estimator $n\sigma_{\text{tot}}$ is considered, solutions ii, v and vii represent a set of “best” solutions.

Usmani parameterization	f_0 (fm)	f_1 (fm)	$n\sigma_{\text{fmt}}$	$n\sigma_{\text{sct}}$	$n\sigma_{\text{tot}}$
NLO13(600)	2.91	1.54	5.2	0.0	4.6
NLO19(600)	2.91	1.41	1.7	0.4	1.1
N ² LO(550)	2.79	1.58	5.4	0.0	4.8
i	2.10	1.44	0.2	2.1	1.0
ii	2.10	1.56	0.0	0.9	0.0
iii	2.10	1.66	1.8	0.2	1.0
iv	2.50	1.32	0.2	2.2	1.1
v	2.50	1.46	0.2	0.8	0.0
vi	2.50	1.55	1.8	0.2	1.0
vii	2.91	1.32	0.1	1.5	0.3
viii	3.34	1.18	1.2	0.9	1.0



Accessing the interaction between light and charm hadrons

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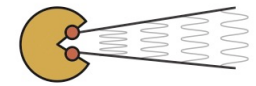
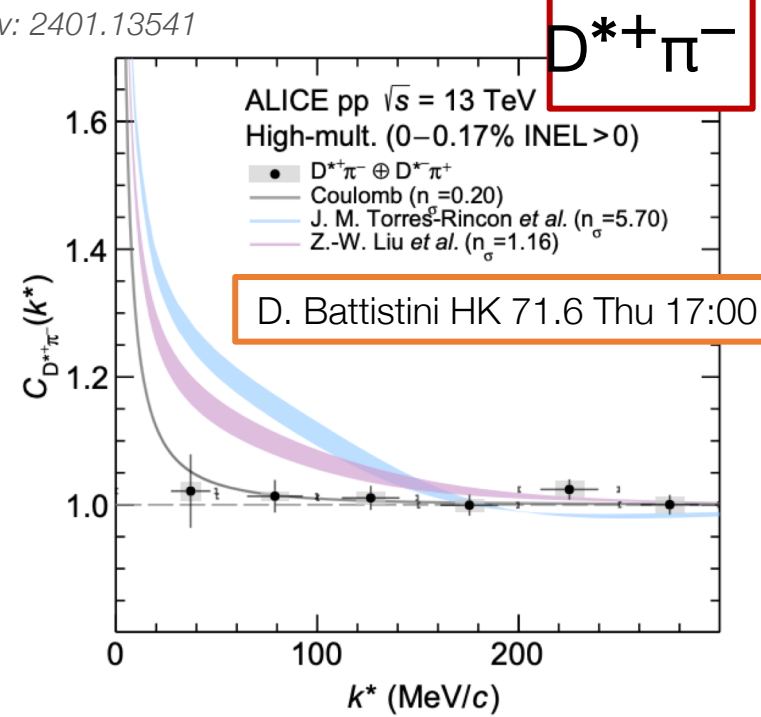
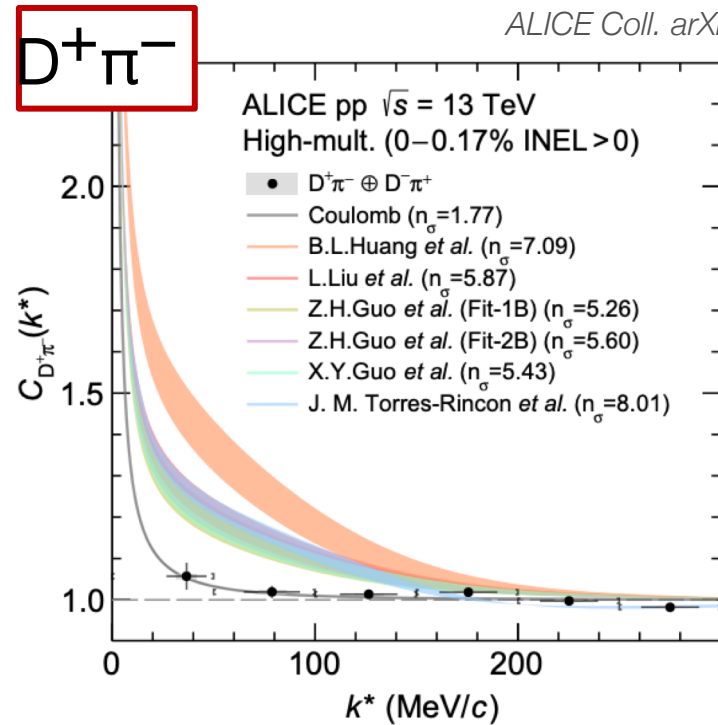


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- **First measurements of interaction between D(*) mesons and light hadrons**
 - Several predictions of exotic states, crucial input for charm nuclei and heavy-flavor observables in heavy-ions
- **Femtoscopy can be extended to the charm sector**
 - More results to come with the LHC Run 3 and Run 4 statistics

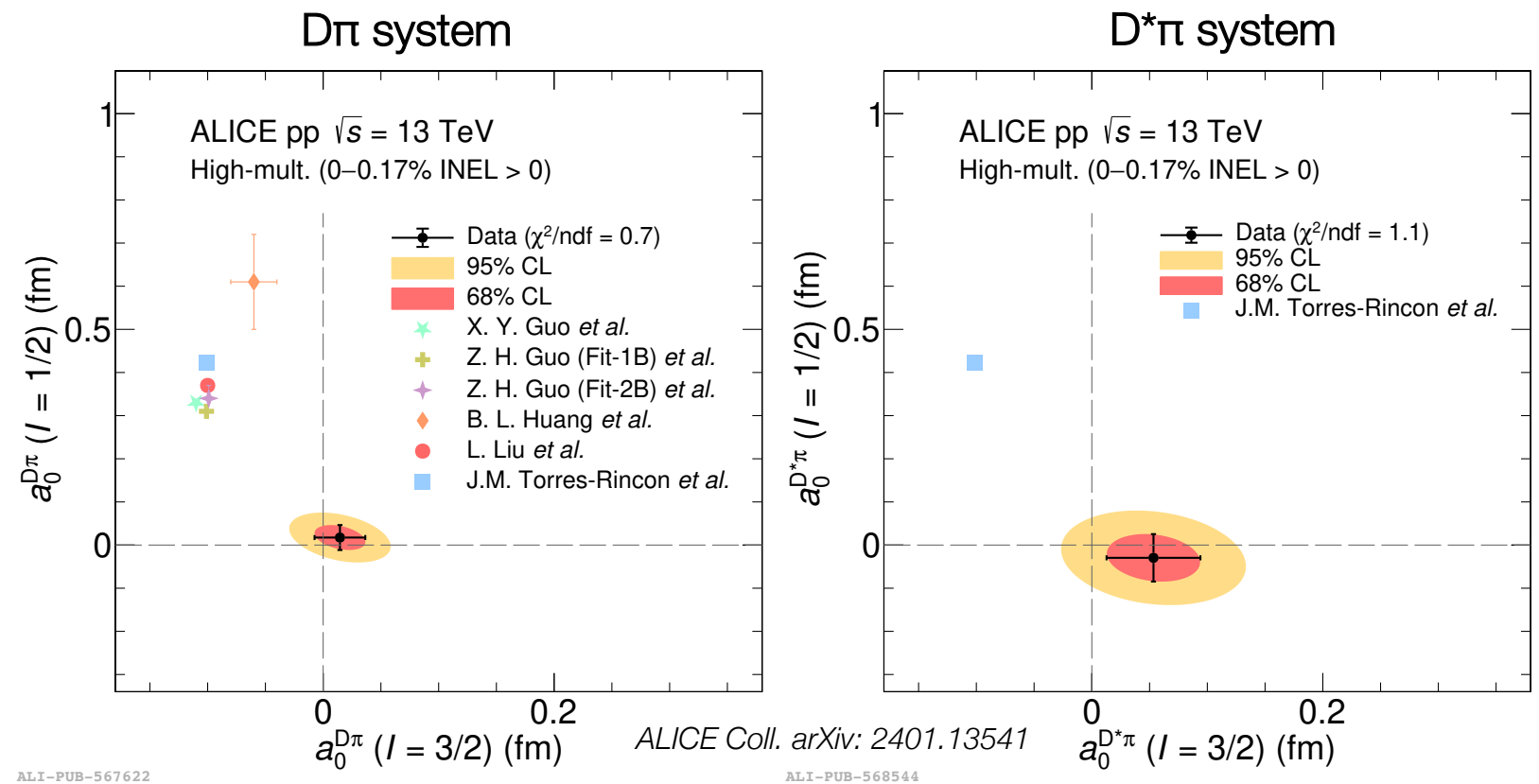
Moving towards a charming future

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Measuring the scattering length for $D\pi$ and $D^*\pi$ systems

- Extracted scattering lengths compatible with zero
 → No influence of the hadronic phase on heavy-flavour observables in heavy-ions
- Tension with available theoretical models
 → Novel possibility to constrain effective QCD models in the charm sector!



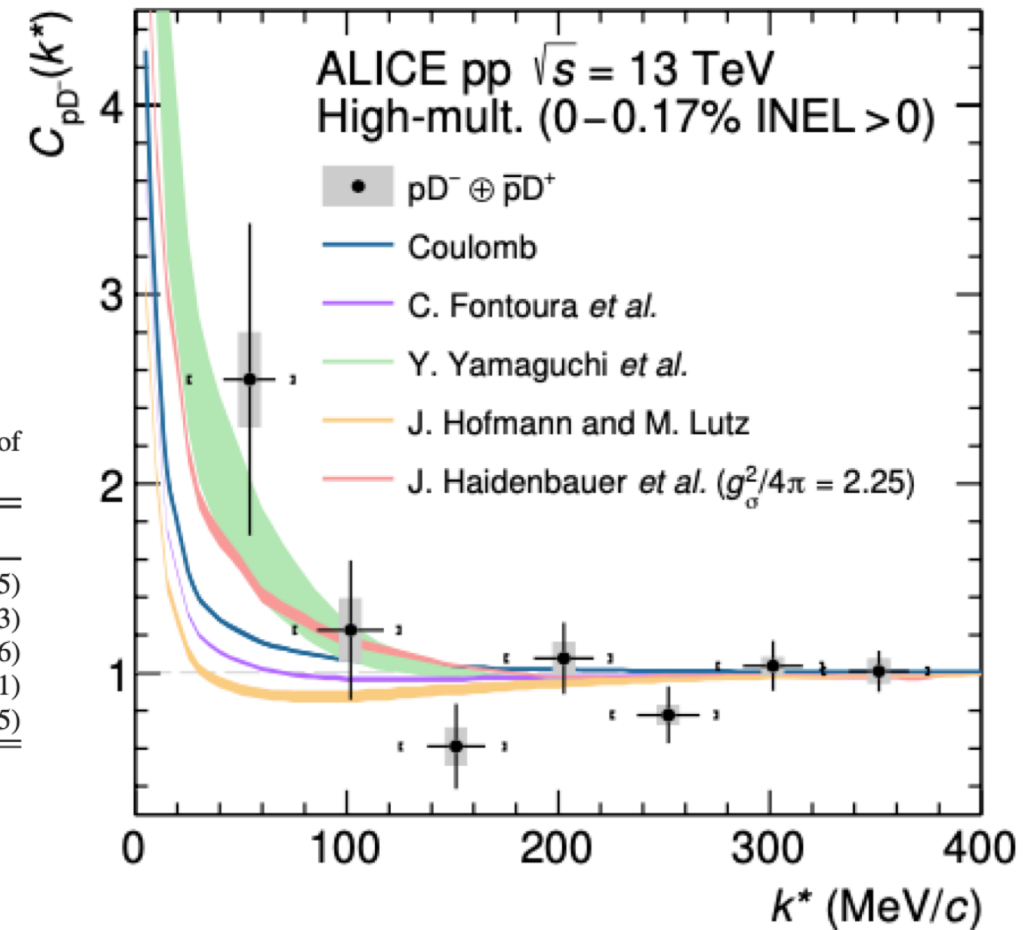
First experimental constraints available for $D^{(*)}$ - light mesons dynamics

- **First measurement of the genuine correlation between protons and D^- mesons**
 → Important input in studies and searches for charm nuclear states^[1]
- Comparison with available models
 → Indication of an **attractive interaction**
 → Compatible also with the **formation of bound state**

TABLE I. Scattering parameters of the different theoretical models for the $N\bar{D}$ interaction [22–25] and degree of consistency with the experimental data computed in the range $k^* < 200$ MeV/c.

Model	$f_0(I=0)$	$f_0(I=1)$	n_σ
Coulomb			(1.1–1.5)
Haidenbauer <i>et al.</i> [22] ($g_\sigma^2/4\pi = 2.25$)	0.67	0.04	(0.8–1.3)
Hofmann and Lutz [23]	-0.16	-0.26	(1.3–1.6)
Yamaguchi <i>et al.</i> [25]	-4.38	-0.07	(0.6–1.1)
Fontoura <i>et al.</i> [24]	0.16	-0.25	(1.1–1.5)

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