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Hypernuclear physics studies with FINUDA: setup, method, results, inheritance

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Overview

- the FINUDA experiment
- physics program
- methods & results
- inheritance



FINUDA: FIsica NUcleare a DAΦNE

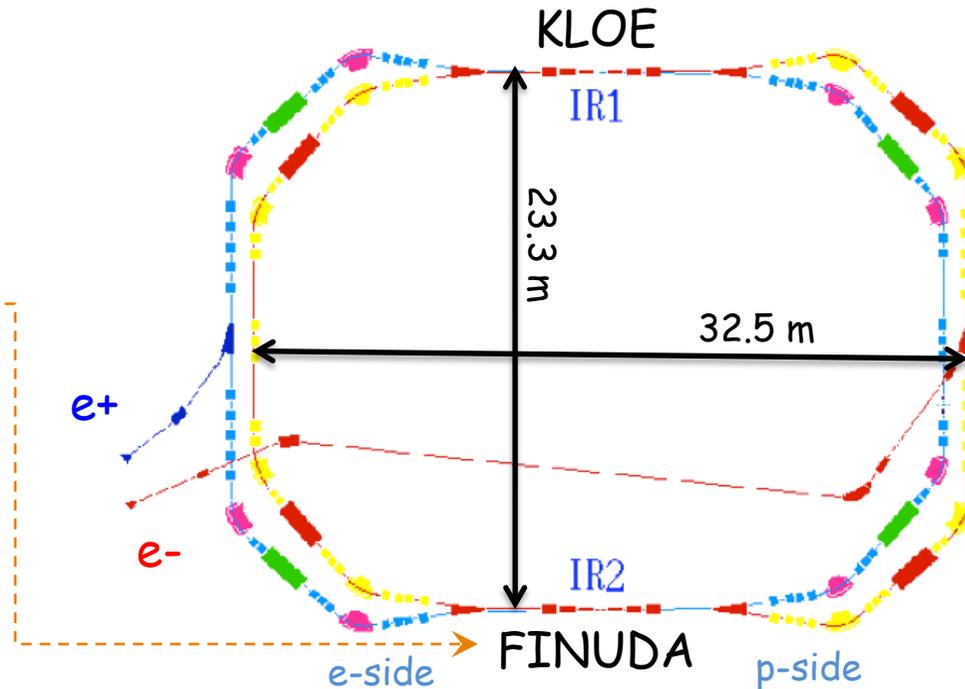
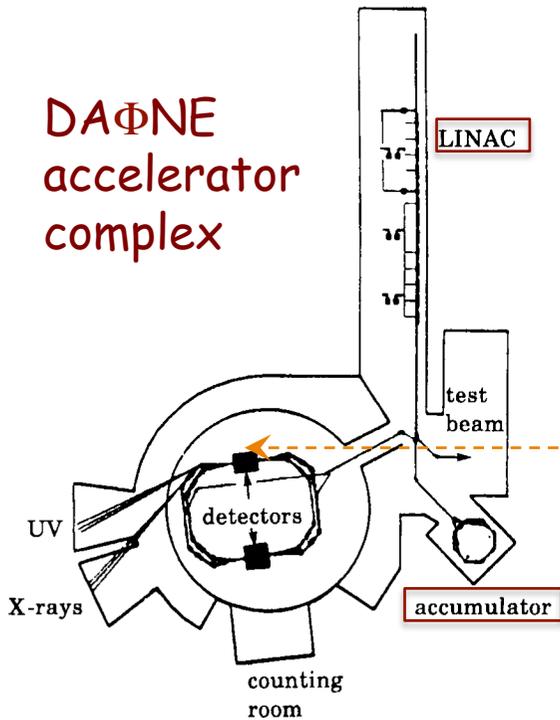
DAΦNE

Double Annular Φ -factory for
Nice Experiments

facility for low momentum not collimated K^- beam

Energy (GeV)	0.51
Luminosity ($\text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$)	10^{32}
Beam Hor. Dim. at IP (mm)	2.11
Beam Vert. Dim. at IP (mm)	0.021
R.M.S. Bunch length (mm)	30
Crossing angle (mrad)	25
Collision frequency (MHz)	380.44
Bunches/ring	120
Max number of particles/bunch	$9.0 \cdot 10^{10}$
Max total mean current (A)	5.5

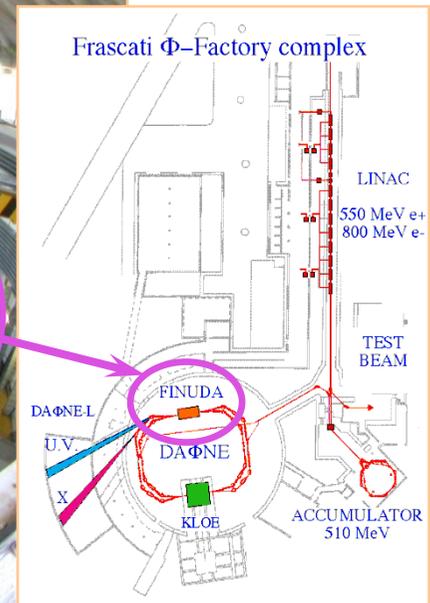
$\phi(1020) \sim$ at rest



FINUDA: FIsica NUcleare a DAΦNE

The very first example of a *(hyper)nuclear physics* fixed-target experiment carried on at a *collider* (DAΦNE @ LNF)

Optimized to produce hypernuclei $^A_{\Lambda}Z$ in a completely new way



FINUDA: the Collaboration

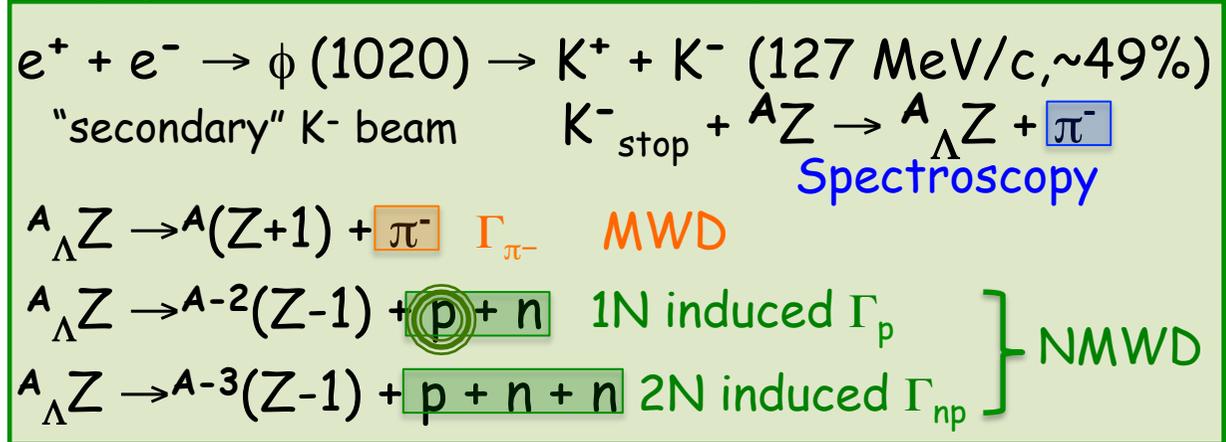
Collaborating institutes

 <p>University of Victoria</p> 	 <p>Seoul National University</p> 	 <p>JINR Dubna</p> 
 <p>Bari University & INFN Bari Brescia University & INFN Pavia Pavia University & INFN Pavia Torino Polytechnic & INFN Torino Torino University & INFN Torino Trieste University & INFN Trieste L.N.F. / INFN Frascati</p> 		    <p>Kyoto, KEK, RIKEN</p>
		 <p>Teheran Shahid Beheshti University</p> 

Data takings

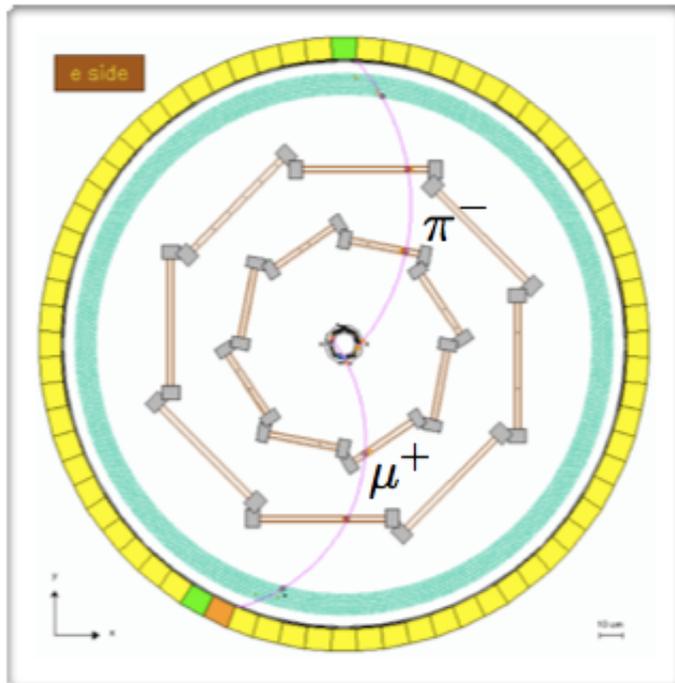
data taking	oct 2003 - jan 04	nov 2006 - jun 07
int. luminosity	220 pb ⁻¹	960 pb ⁻¹
daily luminosity	6 pb ⁻¹	10 pb ⁻¹
Total events (M)	30	200
Targets	⁶ Li (2), ⁷ Li (1), ¹² C (3), ²⁷ Al (1), ⁵¹ V (1)	⁶ Li (2), ⁷ Li (2), ⁹ Be (2), ¹³ C (1), D ₂ O (1)

Hypernuclear Physics @FINUDA



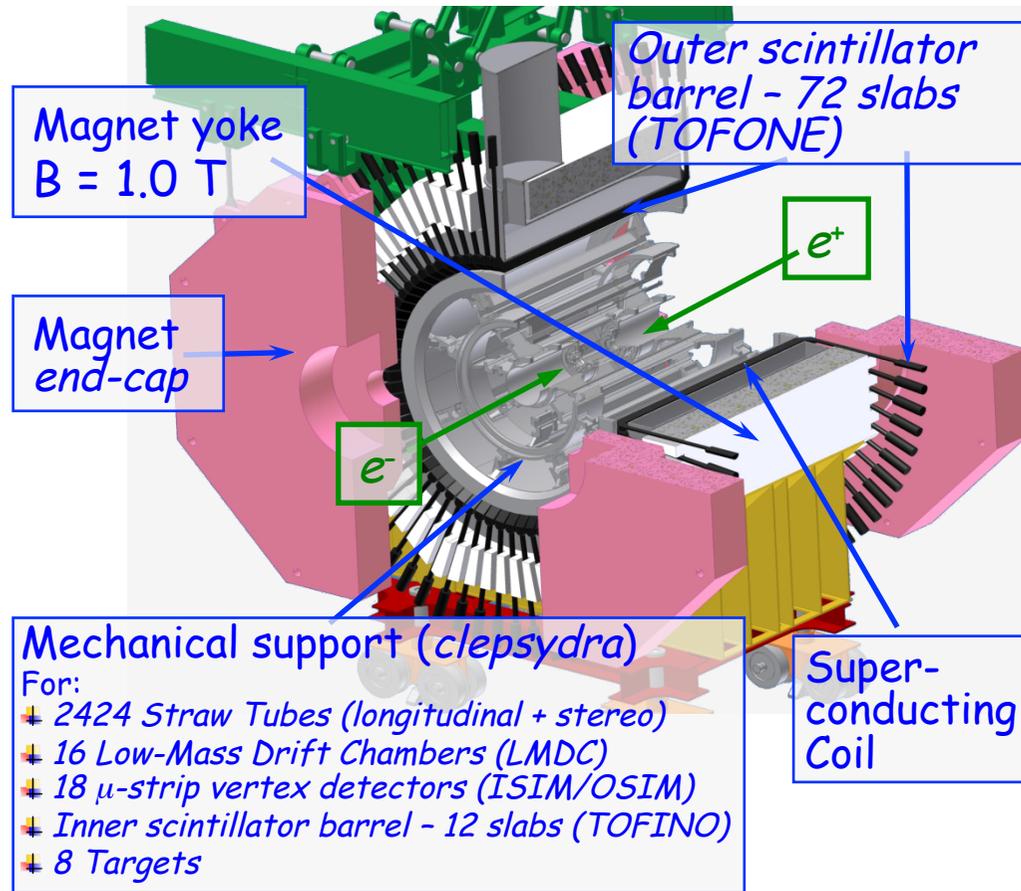
$\mathcal{L} = 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
 $\phi: \sim 4.4 \times 10^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$
 (K^+, K^-) pairs: $\sim 2.2 \times 10^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$
 collinear, background free,
 very low energy

FINUDA key features



- very thin targets ($0.1 \div 0.3 \text{ g/cm}^2$)
 transparency \rightarrow "high" resolution spectroscopy
- different targets in the same run
 \rightarrow high degree of flexibility
- coincidence measurement with large acceptance
 complete event \rightarrow decay mode study
- simultaneous tracking of μ^+ from the K^+ decay
 $K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_{\mu} \rightarrow$ energy and rate calibration

The FINUDA detector



Detector capabilities:

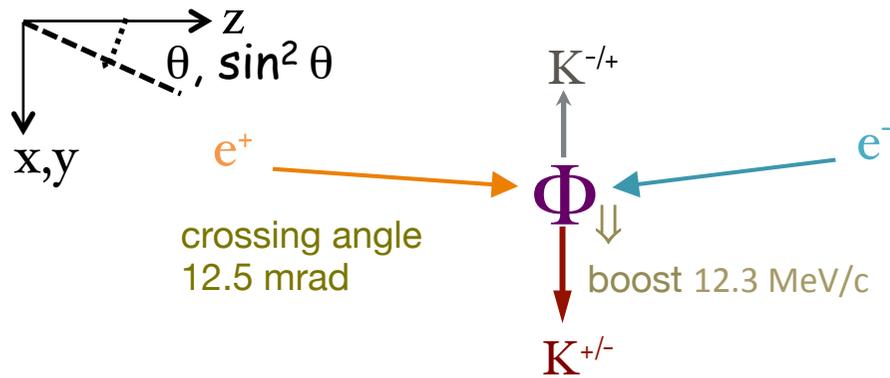
- ✦ **Selective trigger** based on fast scintillation detectors (TOFINO, TOFONE)
- ✦ **precise K^- vertex identification** ($< 1 \text{ mm}^3$) (ISIM P.ID.+ x,y,z resolution + K^+ tagging)
- ✦ **p, K, p, d, \dots P.ID.** (OSIM and LMDC dE/dx)
- ✦ **High momentum resolution**
(6‰ FWHM for π^- @270 MeV/c for spectroscopy)
(1% FWHM for π^- @270 MeV/c for decay study)
(6% FWHM for π^- @110 MeV/c for decay study)
(2% FWHM for p @400 MeV/c for decay study)
(tracker resolution + **He bag + thin targets**)
- ✦ **Neutron detection TOF** (TOFONE-TOFINO)
(13% FWHM for n @10 MeV, 20% @100 MeV)

Apparatus designed for a typical collider experiment:

- ✦ Cylindrical geometry
- ✦ large solid angle ($\sim 2\pi \text{ sr}$)
- ✦ multi-tracks analysis

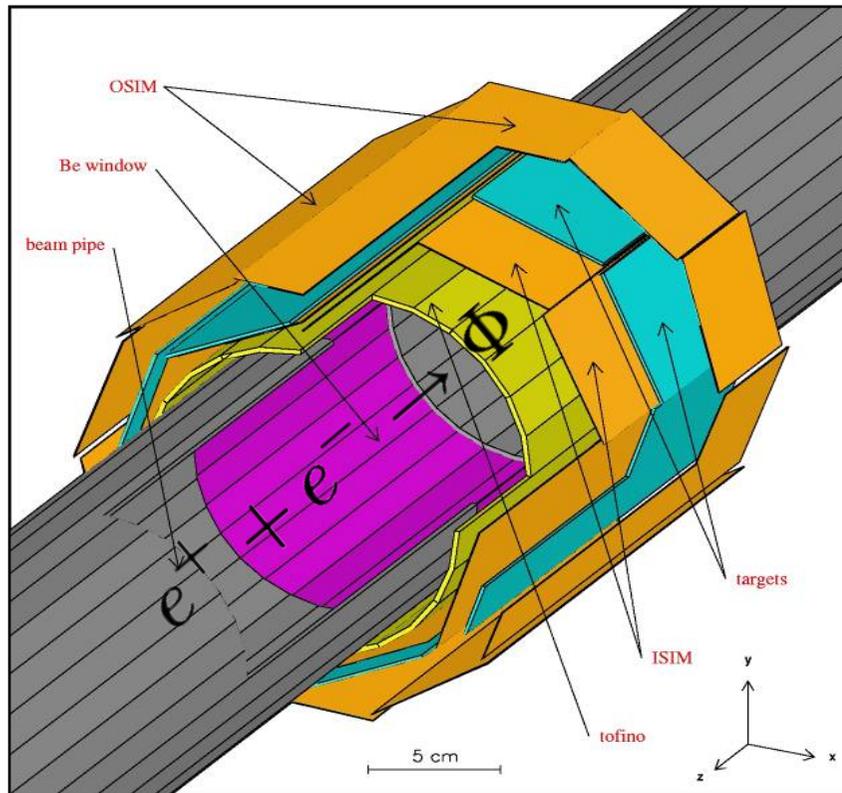
Simultaneous study of **formation** and **decay** of strange hadronic systems by **full event reconstruction**

FINUDA: the interaction region

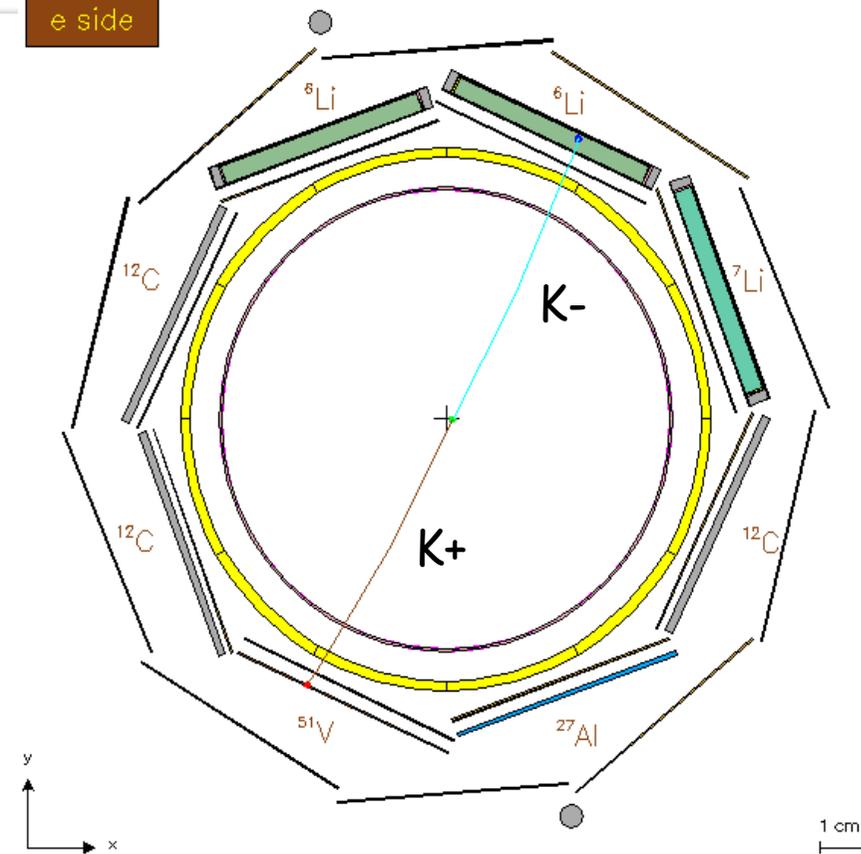


target region

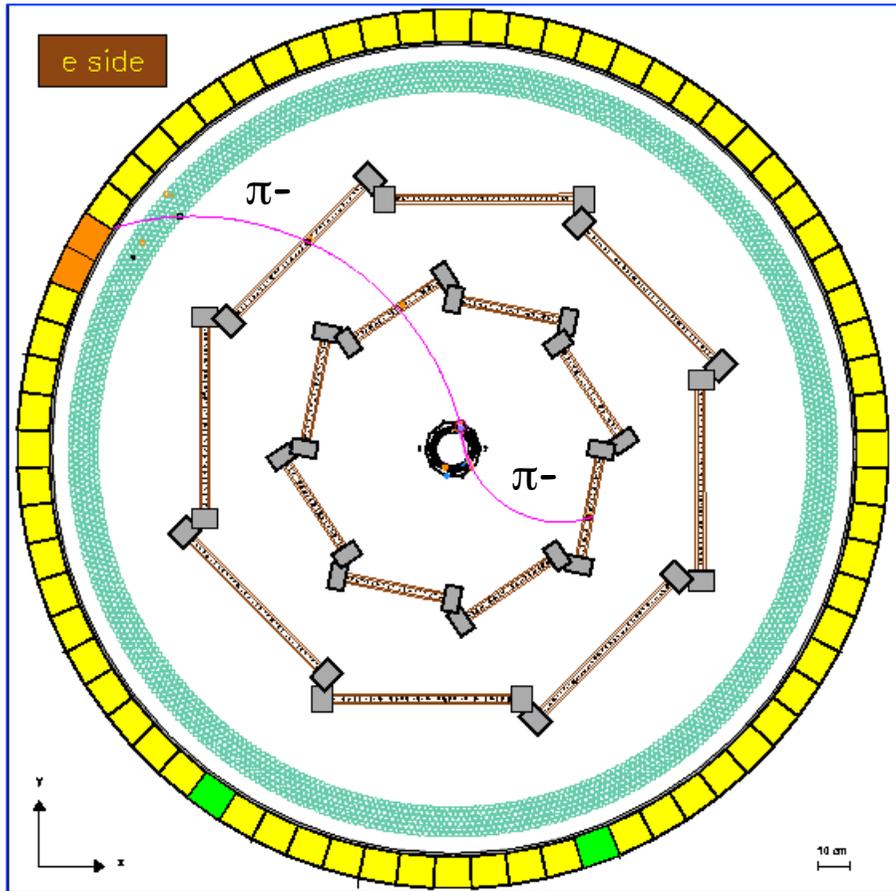
- 12 scintillators (TOFINO)
- 8 silicon microstrips layer (ISIM)
- 8 targets
- 10 silicon microstrip layer (OSIM)



e side



FINUDA: the tracking/outer regions

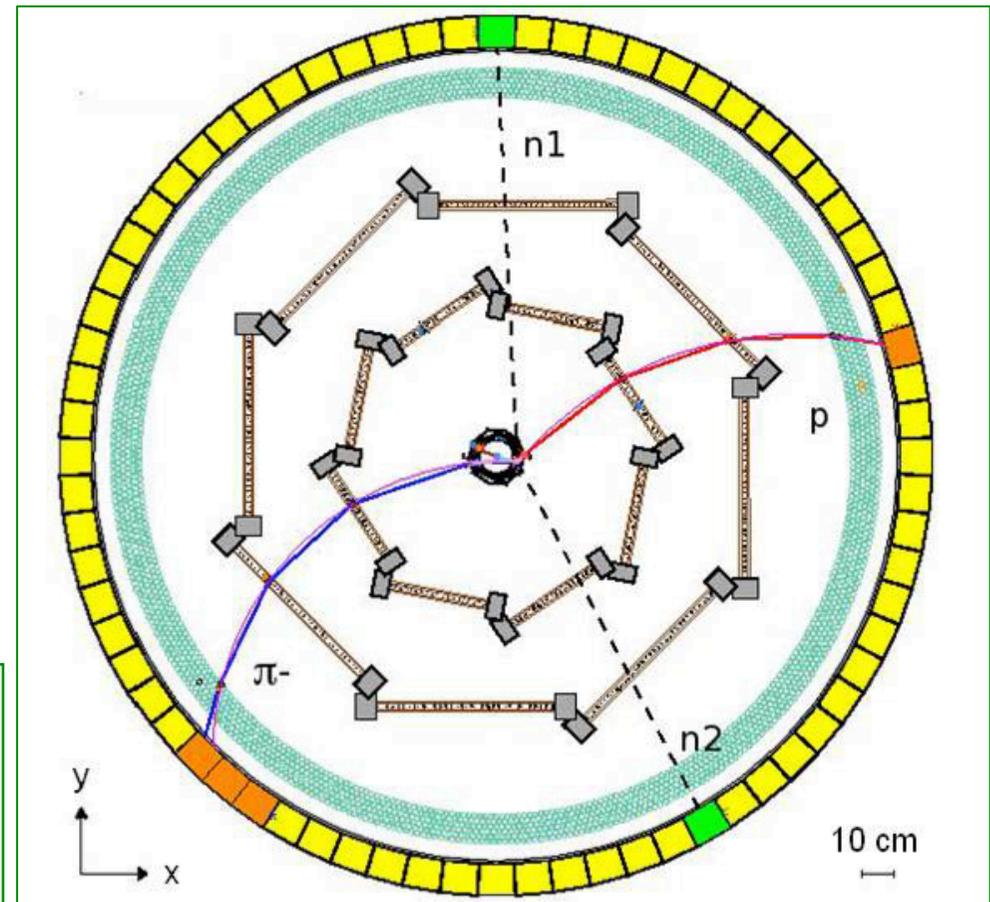


tracker

- 10 silicon microstrip layer (OSIM)
- 2x8 Low Mass Drift Chamber layers
- 6x404 stereo straw tube layer system
- $B=1\text{ T}$
- He bag

outer region

- 72 scintillator slab system
- trigger
- n detection



FINUDA Scientific Program - Results

Main topics (.. not complete!):

Hypernuclear spectroscopy: PLB 622 (2005) 35: $^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$
PLB 698 (2011) 219: $^7_{\Lambda}\text{Li}$, $^9_{\Lambda}\text{Be}$, $^{13}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$, $^{16}_{\Lambda}\text{O}$

Weak Decay: NPA 804 (2008) 151: NMWD $^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$, $^7_{\Lambda}\text{Li}$, $^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$
PLB 681 (2009) 139: MWD ($^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$), $^7_{\Lambda}\text{Li}$, $^9_{\Lambda}\text{Be}$, $^{11}_{\Lambda}\text{B}$, $^{15}_{\Lambda}\text{N}$

PLB 685 (2010) 247 } NMWD & 2N $^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$, $^7_{\Lambda}\text{Li}$, $^9_{\Lambda}\text{Be}$, $^{11}_{\Lambda}\text{B}$, $^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$,
PLB 701 (2011) 556 } $^{13}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$, $^{15}_{\Lambda}\text{N}$, $^{16}_{\Lambda}\text{O}$

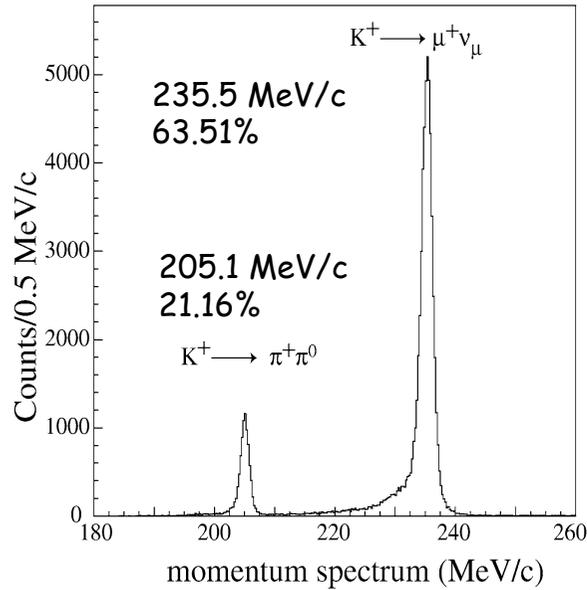
NPA 881 (2012) 322 : (n, n, p) events from 2N
PLB 738 (2014) 499: NMWD Γ_{2N}/Γ_{NM} & $\Gamma_p/\Gamma_{\Lambda}$ $^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$, $^7_{\Lambda}\text{Li}$, $^9_{\Lambda}\text{Be}$,
 $^{11}_{\Lambda}\text{B}$, $^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$, $^{13}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$, $^{15}_{\Lambda}\text{N}$, $^{16}_{\Lambda}\text{O}$
(PLB 748 (2015) 86: Γ_p , Γ_n , Γ_{2N} $^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$, $^{11}_{\Lambda}\text{B}$)

Rare Decays: NPA 835 (2010) 439; $^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}$, $^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ 2-body decays

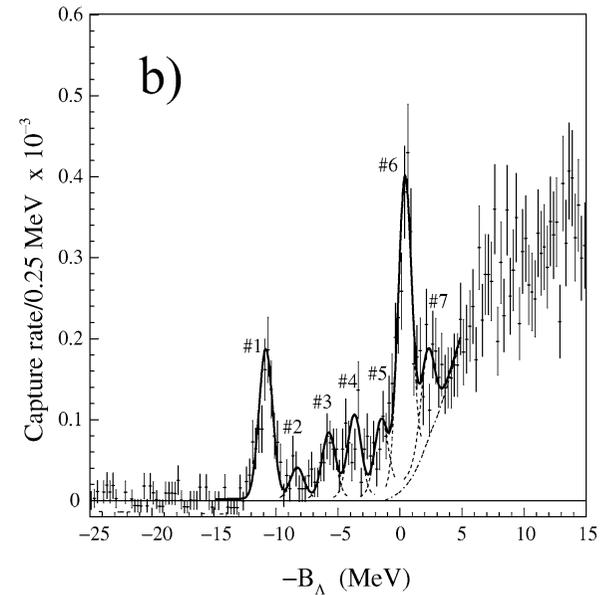
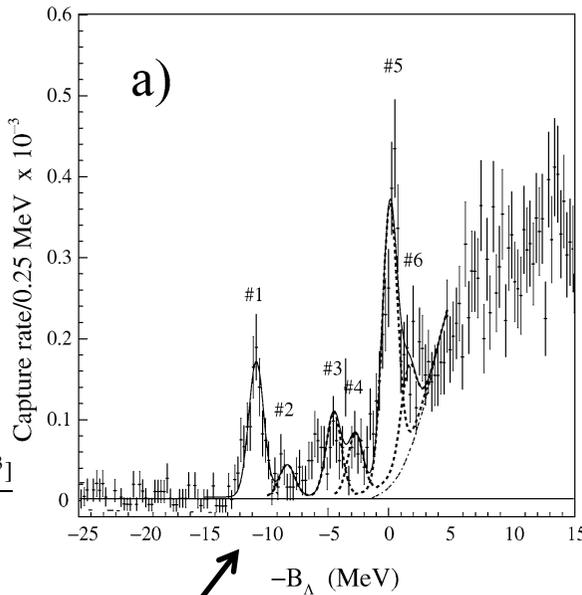
Neutron-rich Hypernuclei: PLB 640 (2006) 145: upper limits $^6_{\Lambda}\text{H}$, $^7_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ and $^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{Be}$
PRL 108 (2012) 042501: $^6_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ observation
NPA 881 (2012) 269: $^6_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ observation
PRC 86 (2012) 057301: $^9_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ upper limit

Hypernuclear Spectroscopy: $^{12}_{\Lambda}C$

M. Agnello et al., PLB 622 (2005) 35



$\Delta p/p = 0.6\%$ FWHM
 absolute momentum scale: 200 keV/c
 $\Delta E = 1.29$ MeV FWHM



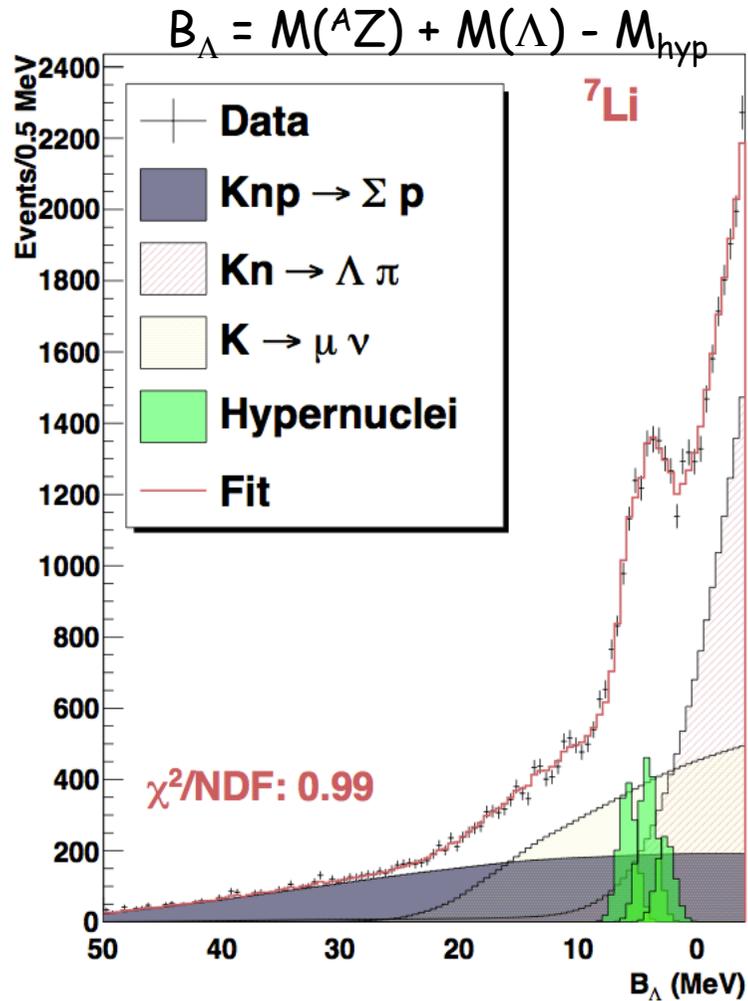
Peak number	$-B_{\Lambda}$ (MeV)	Capture rate/(stopped K^{-}) [$\times 10^{-3}$]
1	-10.94 ± 0.06	$1.01 \pm 0.11_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.10_{\text{sys}}$
2	-8.4 ± 0.2	0.21 ± 0.05
3	-5.9 ± 0.1	0.44 ± 0.07
4	-3.8 ± 0.1	0.56 ± 0.08
5	-1.6 ± 0.2	0.50 ± 0.08
6	0.27 ± 0.06	2.01 ± 0.17
7	2.1 ± 0.2	0.58 ± 0.18

KEK E369: 6 peaks
 1.45 MeV FWHM

Hypernuclear Spectroscopy: p-shell

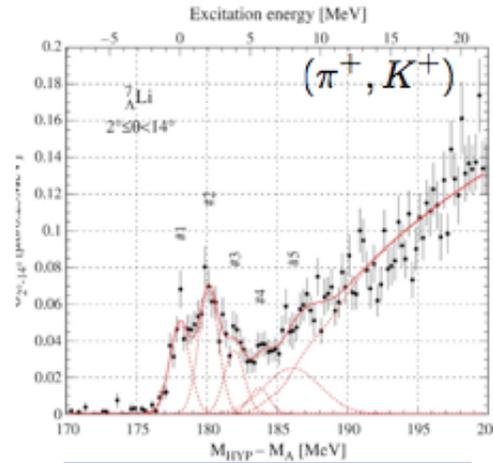
M. Agnello et al., PLB 698 (2011) 219

First world measurement of formation probability

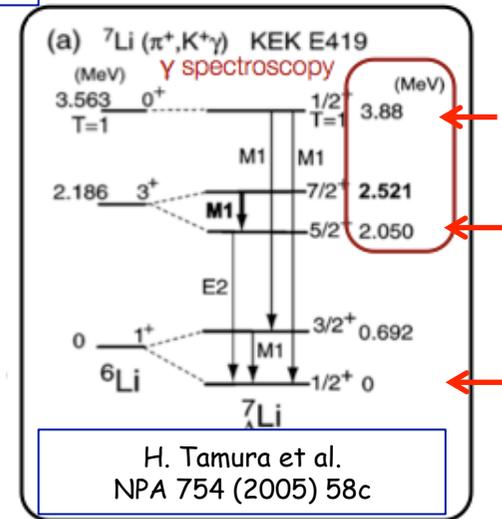


${}^7\text{Li}$	B_{Λ} (MeV)	E_x (MeV)	Formation probability per stopped K^- (10^{-3})
1	5.8 ± 0.4	-	$0.37 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.05$
2	4.1 ± 0.4	1.7	$0.46 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.06$
3	2.6 ± 0.4	3.2	$0.21 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.03$
the ground state from emulsion data $B_{\Lambda} = -5.58 \pm 0.03$ MeV			$1.04 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.14$

M. Juric et al., NPB 52 (1973), 1

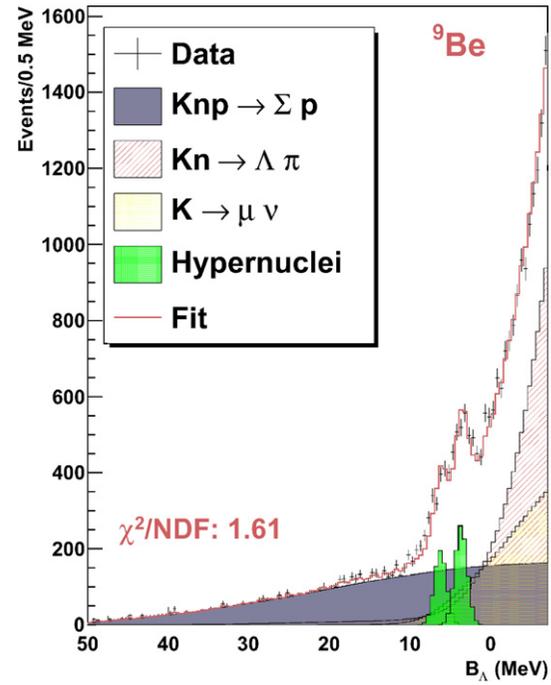
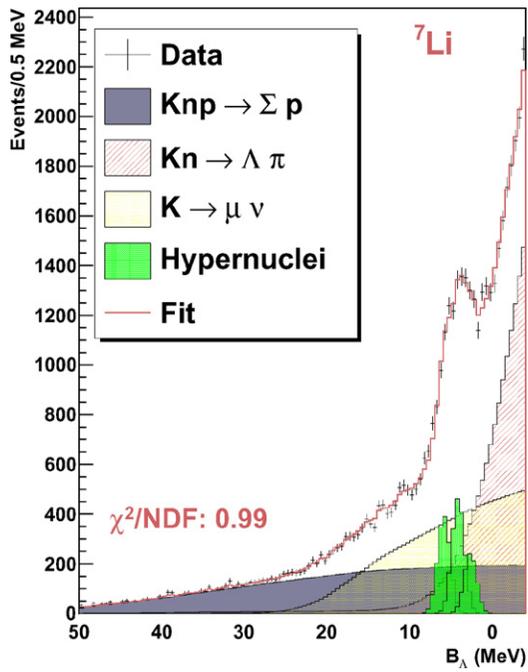


O. Hashimoto, H. Tamura
PPNP 57 (2006) 564
(E336 data)

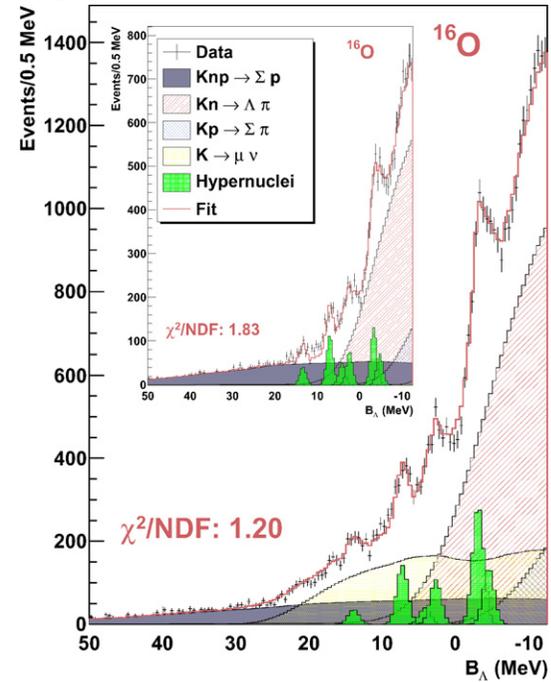
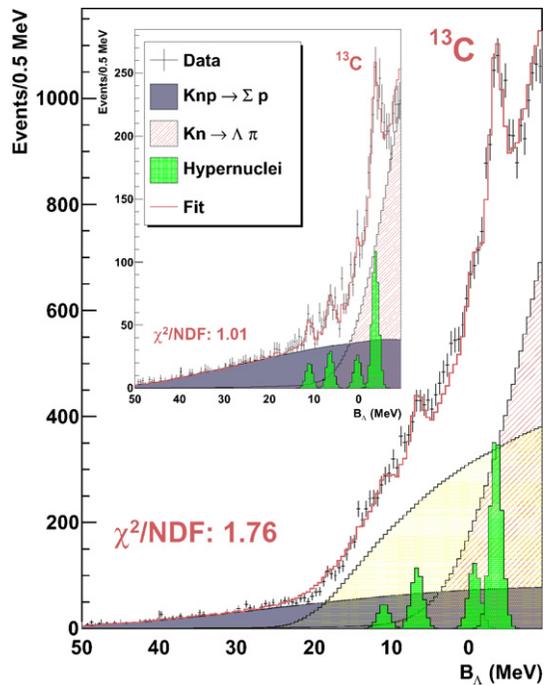


absolute energy scale known at the level of 0.3 MeV
 (we know from the $K^+ \rightarrow \mu \nu$ - self calibrated apparatus)
 momentum resolution: 0.5-0.9% FWHM ($\sigma(B_{\Lambda}) = 0.4$ MeV)

Formation probability
 it is connected to the number of events in the peaks,
 calculated taking into account acceptances and efficiencies
 ($K^+ \rightarrow \mu \nu$ - rate calibrated apparatus)



“backward” tracks to reduce background from $K \rightarrow \mu \nu$

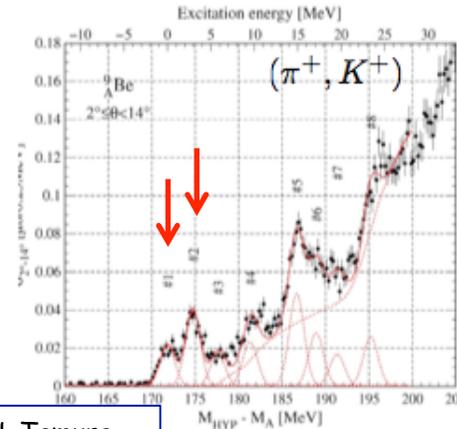


⁹ Be	B _Λ (MeV)	E _X (MeV)	Formation probability per stopped K ⁻ (10 ⁻³)
1	6.2 ± 0.4	-	0.16 ± 0.02 ± 0.02
2	3.7 ± 0.4	2.5	0.21 ± 0.02 ± 0.03
the ground state from emulsion data			0.37 ± 0.04 ± 0.05

B_Λ = -6.71 ± 0.04 MeV

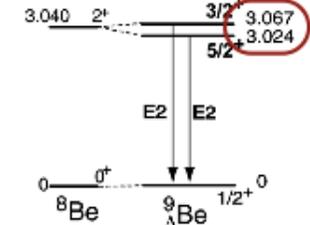
M. Juric et al., NPB 52 (1973), 1

~1800 events



(b) ⁹Be (K⁻, π⁻ γ) BNL E930('98)

γ spectroscopy



H. Tamura et al.
NPA 754 (2005) 58c

O. Hashimoto, H. Tamura
PPNP 57 (2006) 564
(E336 data)

H. Kohri, et al., Phys. Rev. C 65 (2002) 034607.
PHYSICAL REVIEW C, VOLUME 65, 034607

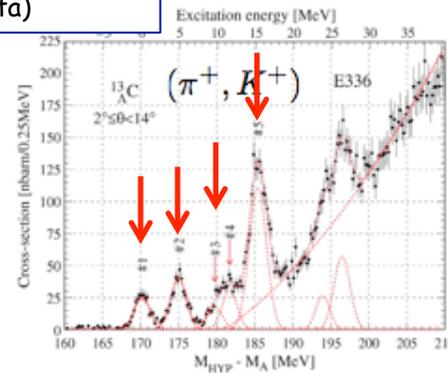
¹³ C	B _Λ (MeV)	E _X (MeV)	Formation probability per stopped K ⁻ (10 ⁻³)
1	11.0 ± 0.4	-	0.10 ± 0.02 ± 0.01
2	6.4 ± 0.4	4.6	0.19 ± 0.02 ± 0.03
3	0.3 ± 0.4	10.7	0.16 ± 0.02 ± 0.02
4	-3.7 ± 0.4	14.7	0.47 ± 0.04 ± 0.07

the ground state from emulsion data

B_Λ = -11.22 ± 0.08 MeV

M. Juric et al., NPB 52 (1973), 1

~1100 events 3p



¹³C hypernucleus studied with the ¹³C(K⁻, π⁻ γ) reaction

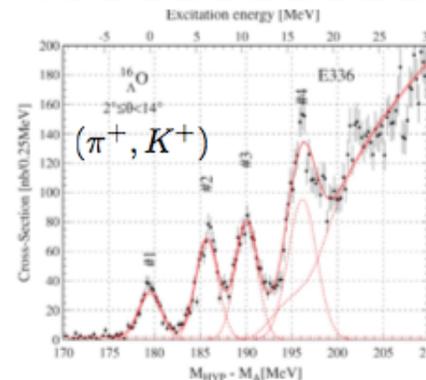
ceeded in measuring γ rays from the 1/2⁻ and 3/2⁻ states, which have predominantly a [¹²C_{gs}(0⁺) ⊗ p_Λ] configuration, to the GS in ¹³C by using NaI detectors. The splitting was found to be ΔE(1/2⁻ - 3/2⁻) = +152 ± 54(stat) ± 36(syst) keV which was almost 20-30 times smaller than that of single particle states in nuclei around this mass region. The excitation energies of the 1/2⁻ and 3/2⁻ states were obtained as 10.982 ± 0.031(stat) ± 0.056(syst) and 10.830 ± 0.031(stat) ± 0.056(syst) MeV, respectively. The J_Λ = ℓ_Λ - 1/2[(p_{1/2})_Λ] state appeared higher in energy, as in normal nuclei, which is consistent with theoretical predictions. We also observed γ rays from the 3/2⁻ state to the GS in ¹³C and the excitation energy of the state was obtained as 4.880 ± 0.010(stat) ± 0.017(syst) MeV.

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γ spectroscopy

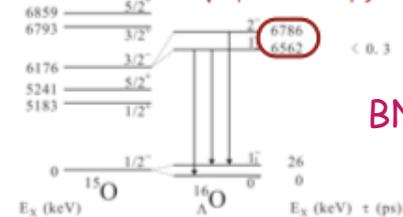
¹⁶ O	B _Λ (MeV)	E _X (MeV)	Formation probability per stopped K ⁻ (10 ⁻³)
1	13.4 ± 0.4	-	0.10 ± 0.02 ± 0.01
2	7.1 ± 0.4	6.3	0.26 ± 0.04 ± 0.04
3	4.3 ± 0.4	9.1	0.13 ± 0.03 ± 0.02
4	2.4 ± 0.4	11.0	0.15 ± 0.03 ± 0.02
5	-3.3 ± 0.4	16.7	0.55 ± 0.07 ± 0.08
6	-4.7 ± 0.4	18.1	0.28 ± 0.06 ± 0.04

~750 events 2p



PHYSICAL REVIEW C 77, 054315 (2008)

γ spectroscopy



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M. Agnello et al., PLB 698 (2011) 219

O. Hashimoto, H. Tamura
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(E336 data)

E930('01) Collaboration

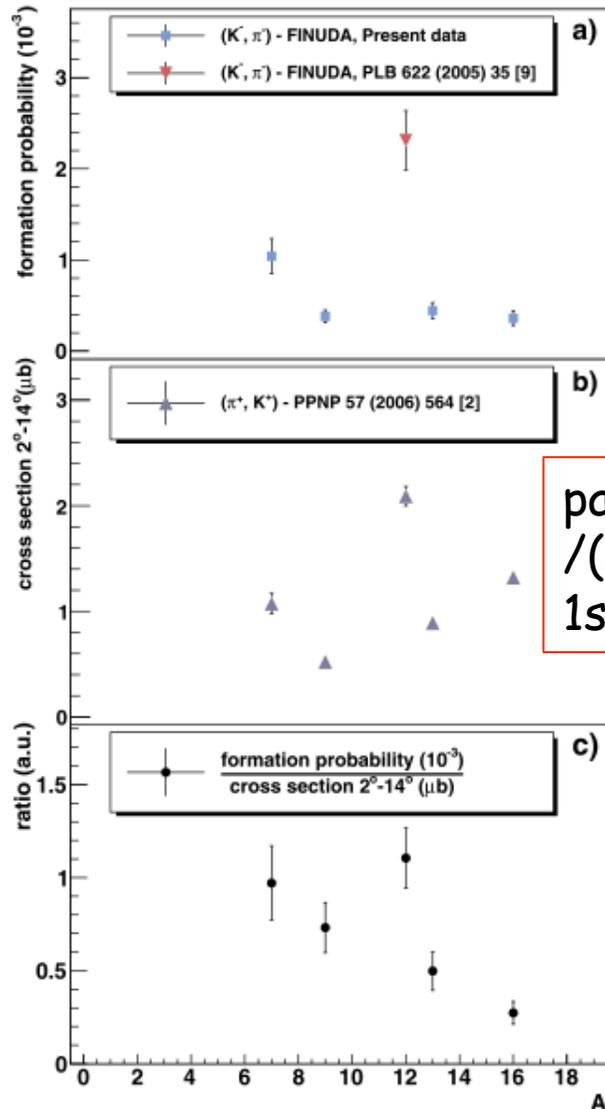


Fig. 7. Formation probabilities from FINUDA (a) and cross section from E336 [2] (b) for bound states, see text for details. In (c) the ratio between the two is shown.

Constraints on the threshold K- nuclear potential from FINUDA ${}^AZ(K^-_{stop}, \pi^-) {}^AZ$ spectra

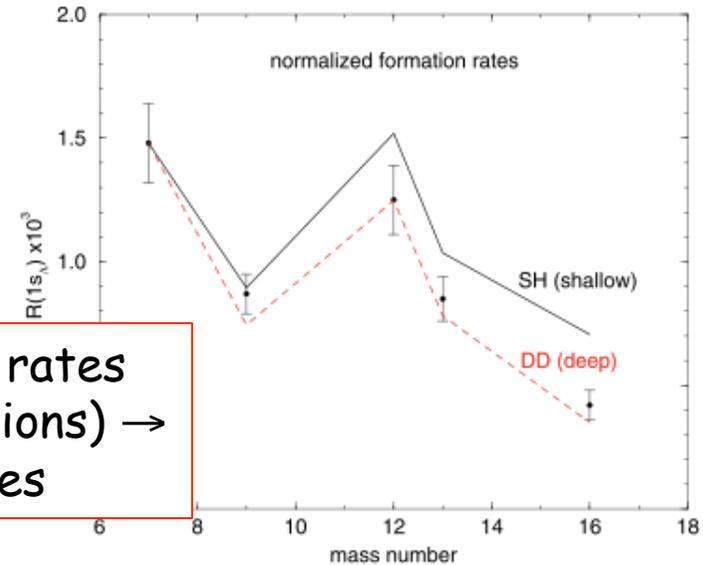


Fig. 2. Comparison between $1s_A$ formation rates derived from the FINUDA K^- capture at rest data [8,14] and DWIA calculations normalized to the $1s_A$ formation rate of 7Li listed in Table 1 for shallow (SH, solid) and deep (DD, dashed) K^- nuclear potentials. The calculated $1s_A$ formation rates use $K^-n \rightarrow \pi^-A$ in-medium BRs without self energies, see Section 3, and pion optical potential π_e from Ref. [6]. The error bars consist of statistical uncertainties only.

two different potentials have been tested (shallow SH and deep DD)

$$Re V_{K^-}(\rho_0) \sim -(40 - 60) MeV$$

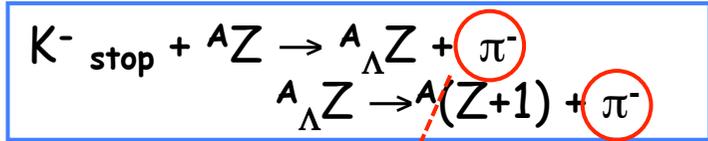
$$Re V_{K^-}(\rho_0) \sim -(150 - 200) MeV$$

the comparison with the FINUDA data slightly favors a deep K- nuclear potential 15

Hypernuclear weak decay studies: p-shell

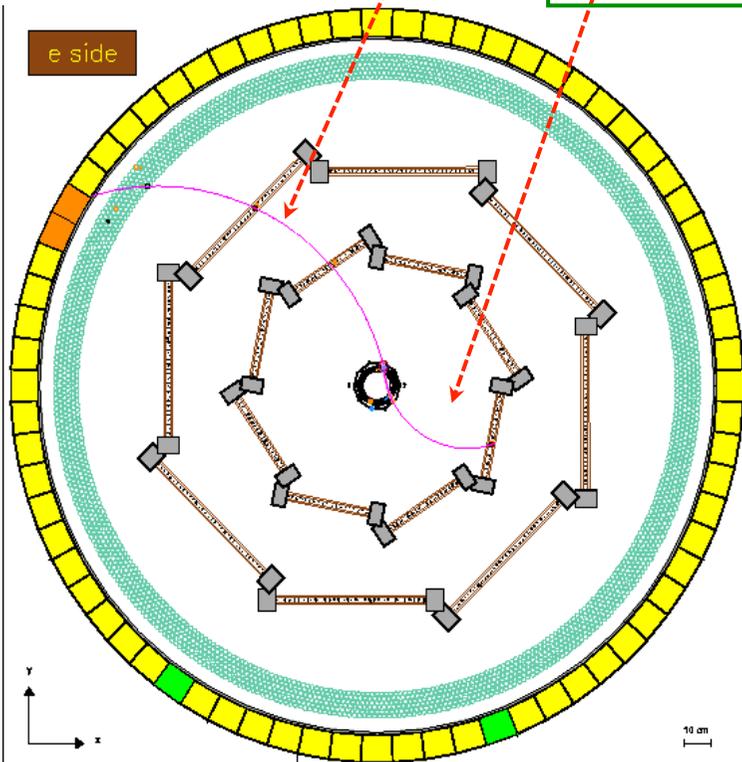
Coincidence measurement

charged Mesonic channel

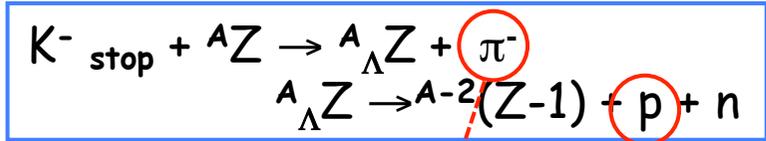


S-EX
260-280 MeV/c

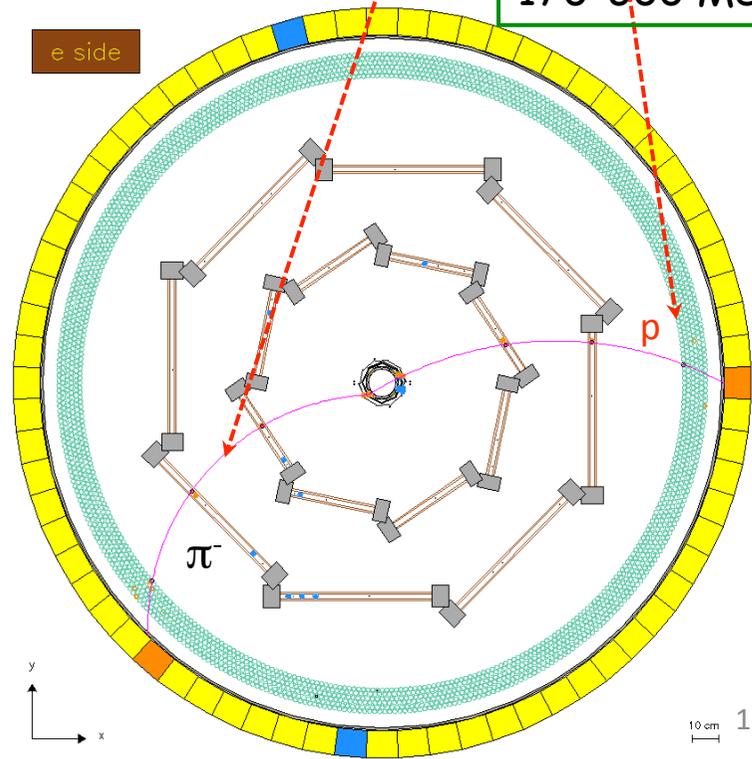
MWD
80-110 MeV/c



charged Non-Mesonic channel

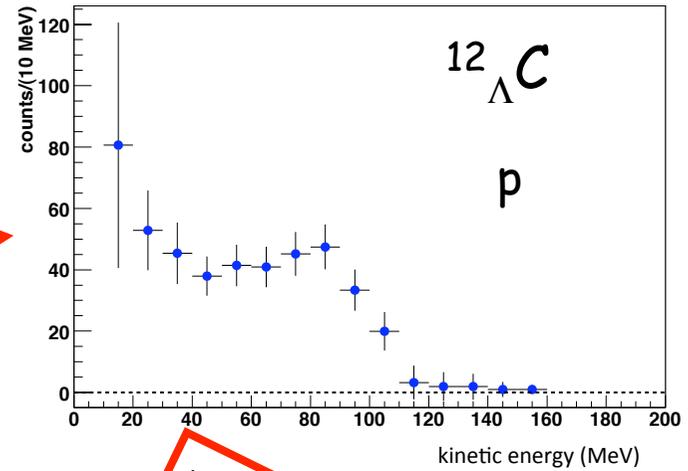
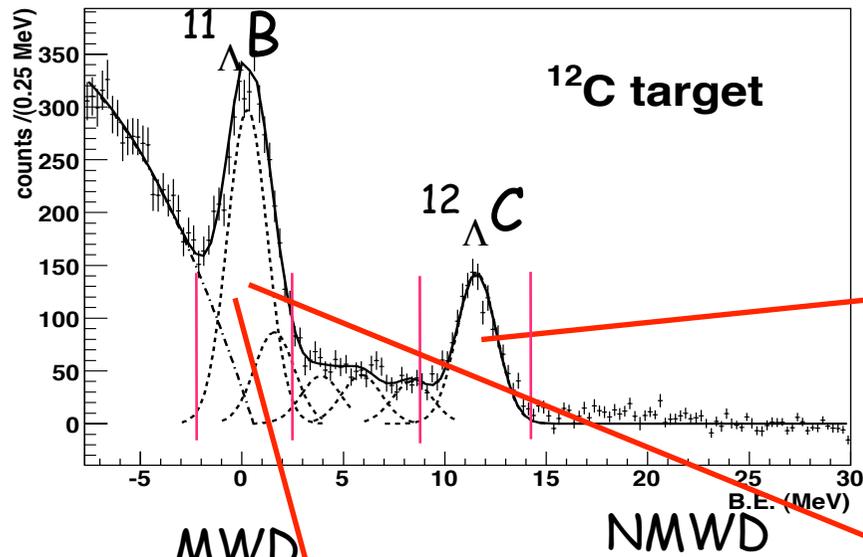


NMWD
170-600 MeV/c

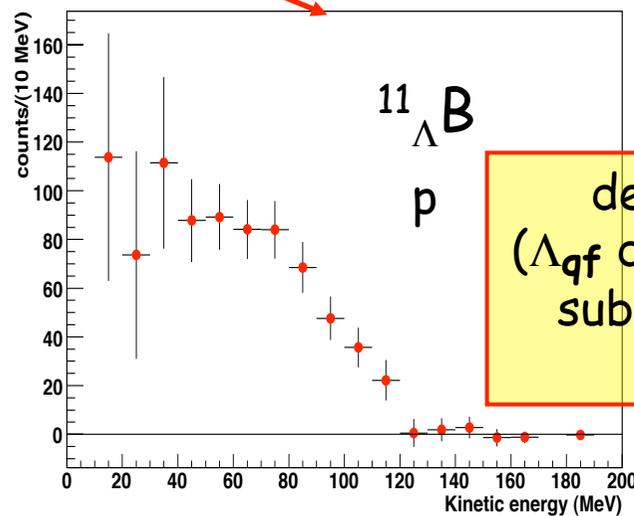
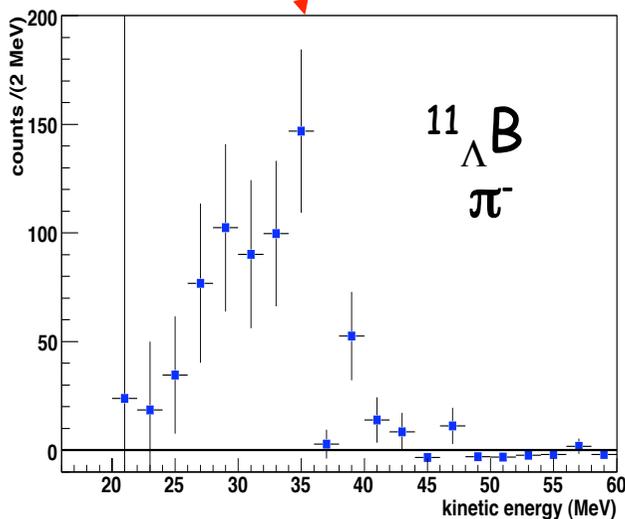


MWD & NMWD in FINUDA: strategy

Inclusive production π^- spectra
 K^-np background corrected



magnetic analysis !!



decay π^- and p spectra
 $(\Lambda_{\text{qf}} \text{ decay})/K^-np$ background
 subtracted & acceptance
 corrected

Mesonic decay ratio: $\Gamma_{\pi^-} / \Gamma_{\Lambda}$

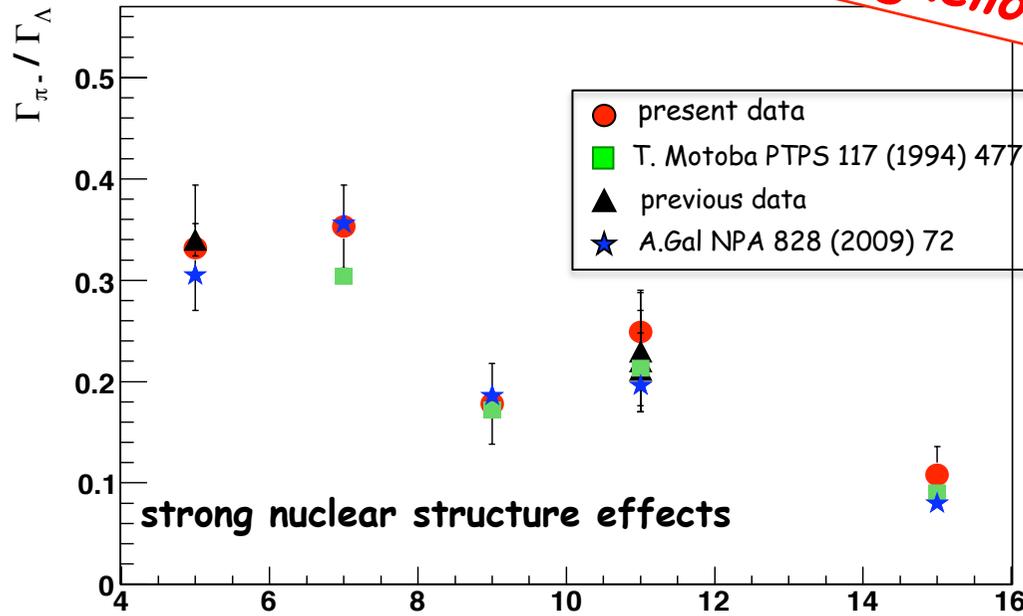
J^{π} assignment:

${}^7_{\Lambda}\text{Li}$ ($1/2^+$), ${}^9_{\Lambda}\text{Be}$ ($1/2^+$),
 ${}^{11}_{\Lambda}\text{B}$ ($5/2^+$), ${}^{15}_{\Lambda}\text{N}$ ($3/2^+$)

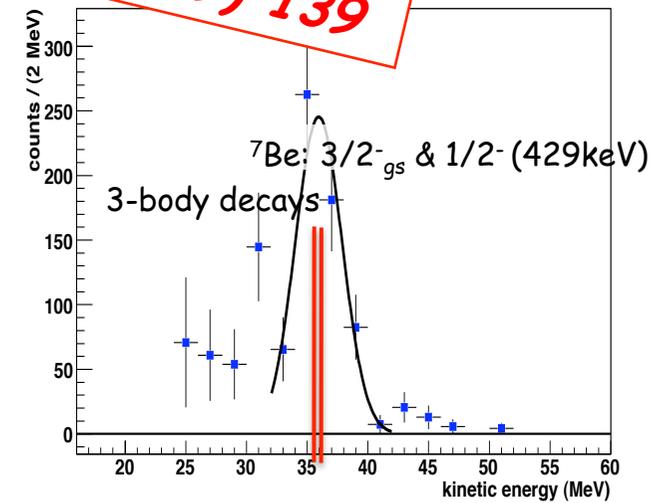
first determination

$$\Gamma_{\pi^-} / \Gamma_{\Lambda} = \Gamma_{\text{tot}} / \Gamma_{\Lambda} \cdot \text{BR}_{\pi^-}$$

M. Agnello PLB 681 (2009) 139



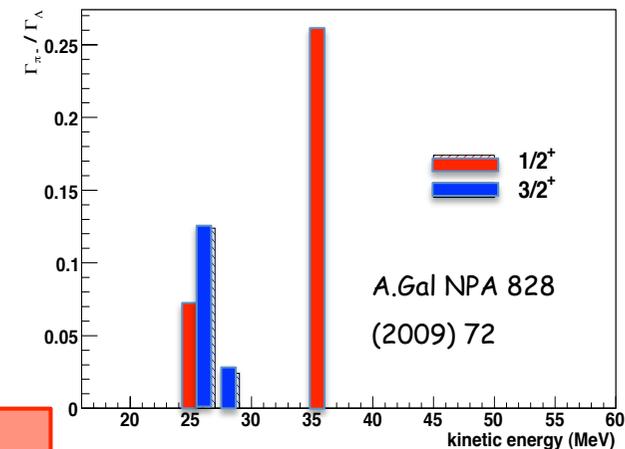
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Extensive calculations:

- Motoba et al., Progr. Theor. Phys. Suppl. 117 (1994) 477
- Gal Nucl. Phys. A 828 (2009) 72.

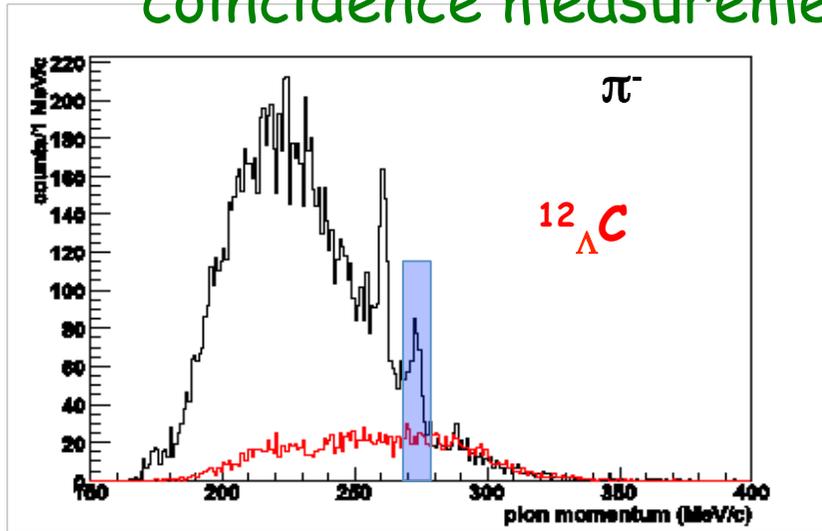
π distortion, MWD enhancement proved !



MWD indirect spectroscopic tool !

NMWD: p spectra

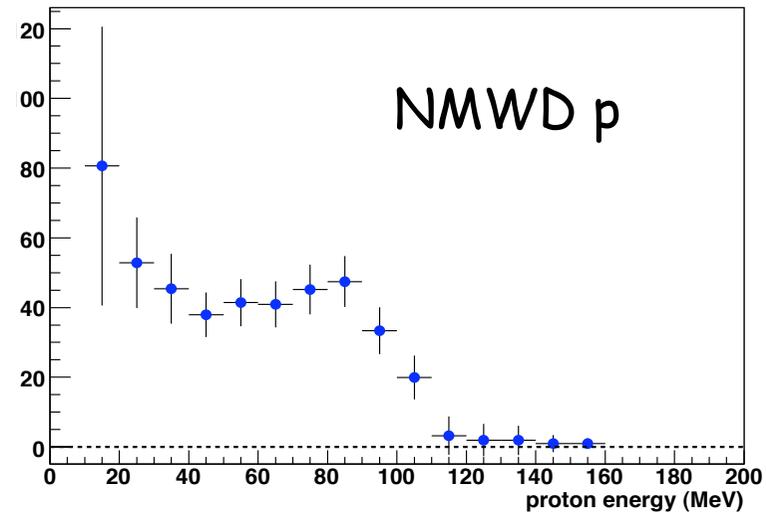
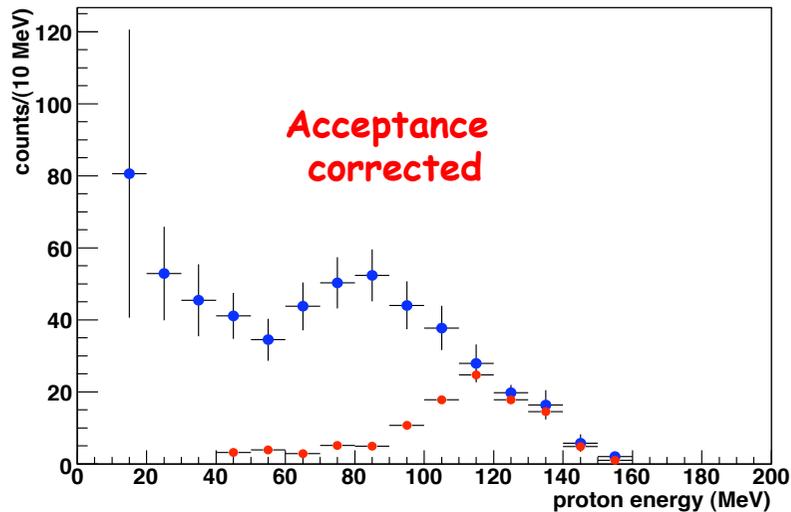
coincidence measurement: method



- Spectrum of negative pions for events in which a proton is detected in coincidence with a π^-
- Asking for the proton coincidence a clear peak emerges at $272 \text{ MeV}/c$ (ground state)

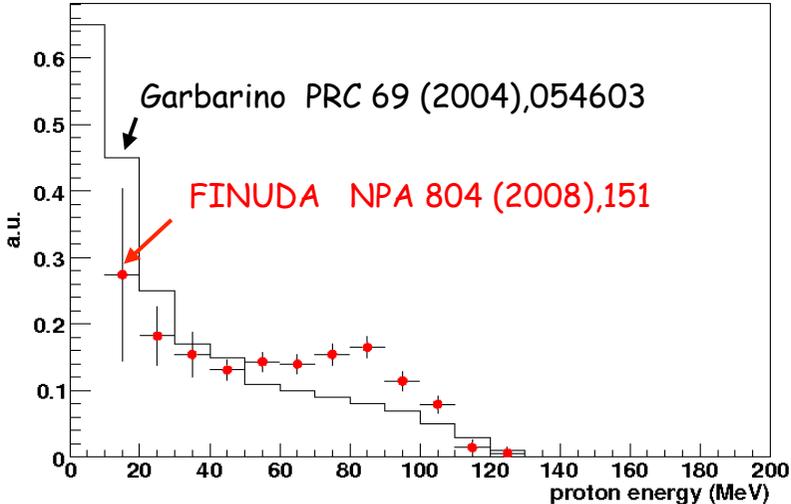
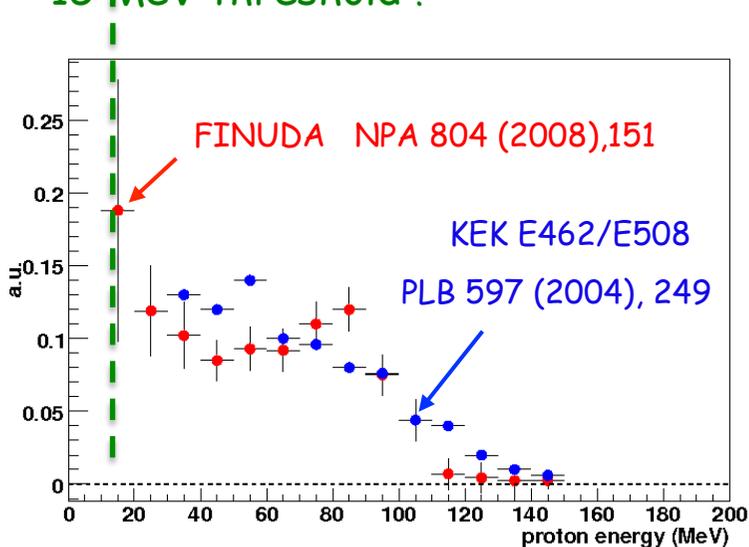
- Background: $K^- np \rightarrow \Sigma^- p$
 $\Sigma^- \rightarrow n \pi^-$

M. Agnello et al., NPA 804 (2008), 151: ${}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$, ${}^7_{\Lambda}\text{Li}$ and ${}^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$

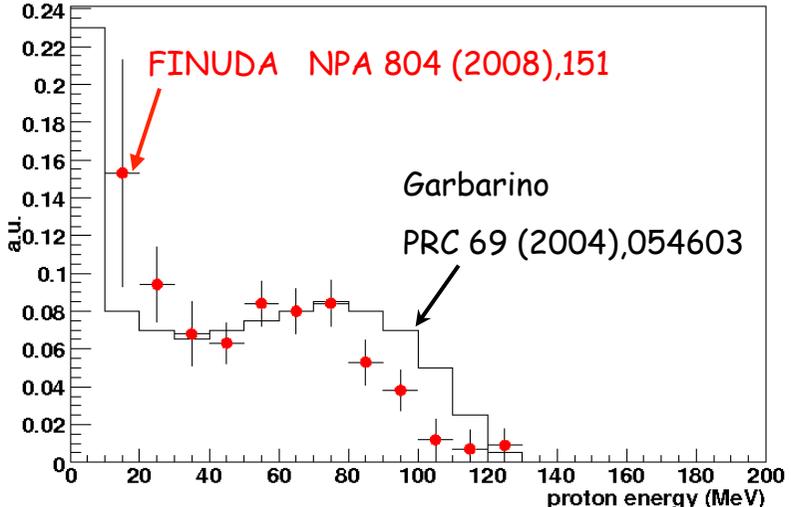
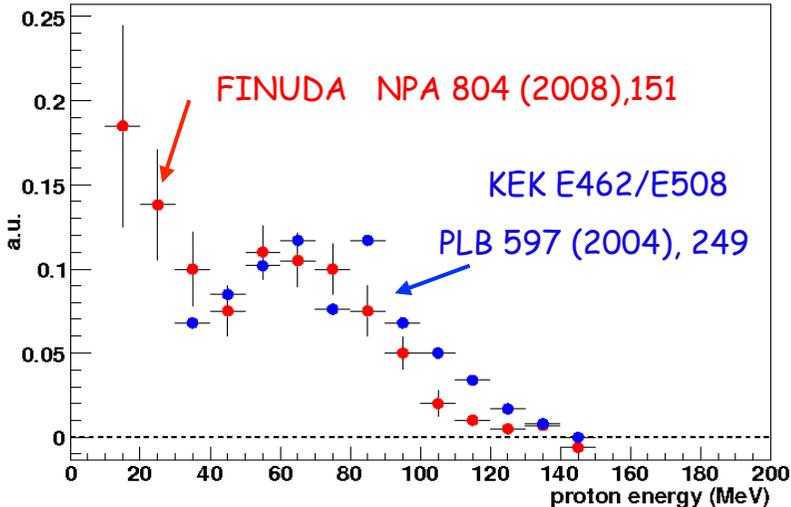


Comparisons with theory and KEK results

15 MeV threshold !



5_ΔHe



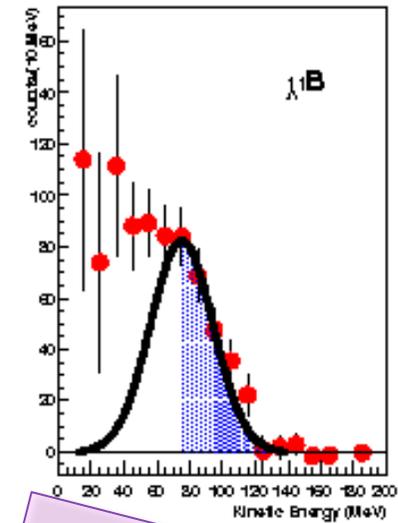
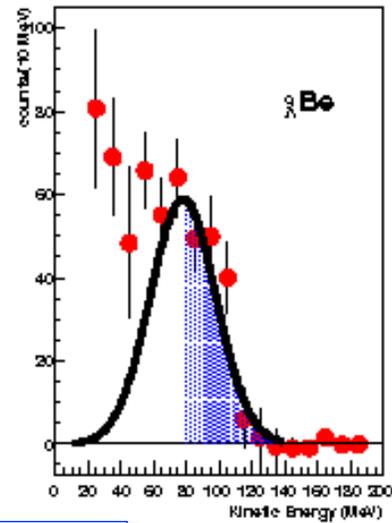
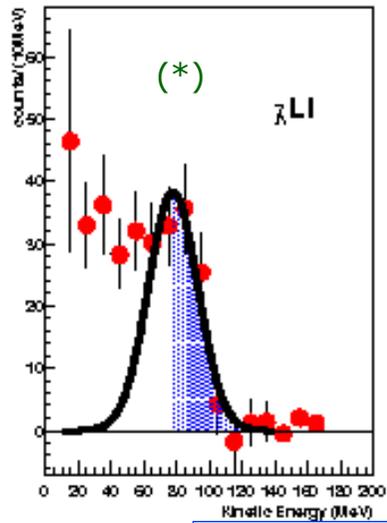
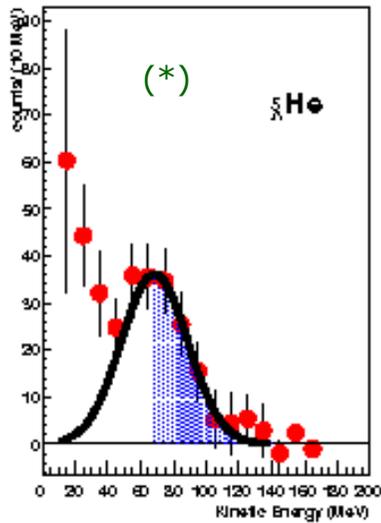
NMWD: Γ_{2N}

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M. Agnello *et al.*, *NPA* 804 (2008) 151.

M. Agnello *et al.*, *PLB* 685 (2010) 247.

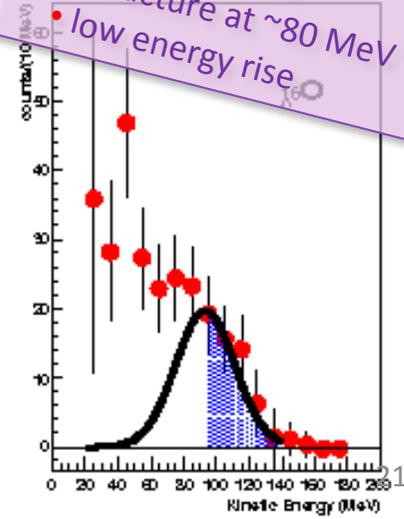
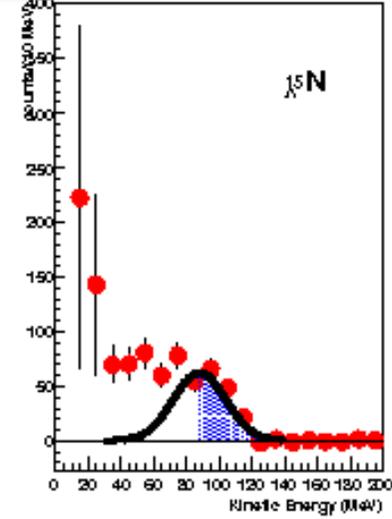
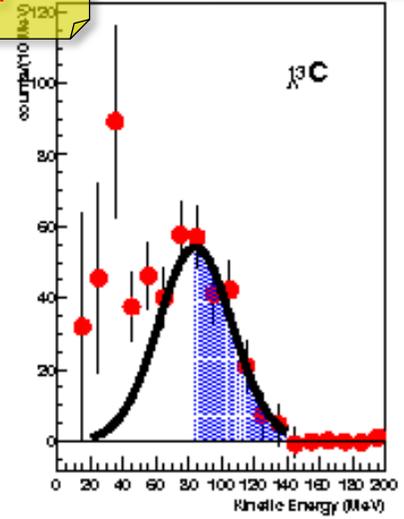
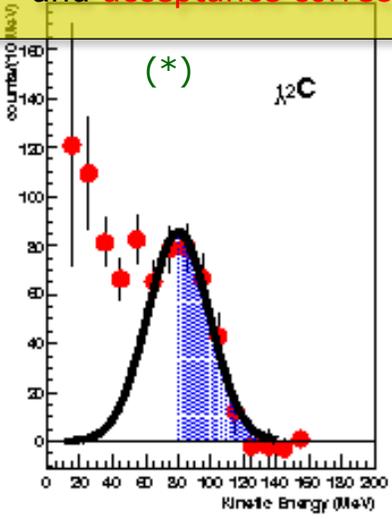
FSI & Δ NN contribution evaluation: systematics



p spectra background subtracted and acceptance corrected

1N , 2N , FSI!!!

common features:
 • structure at ~80 MeV
 • low energy rise



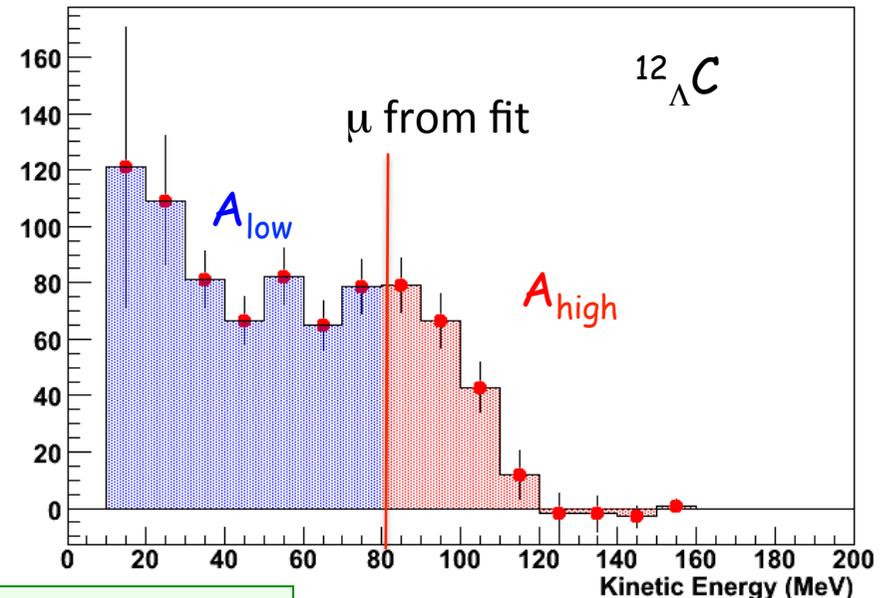
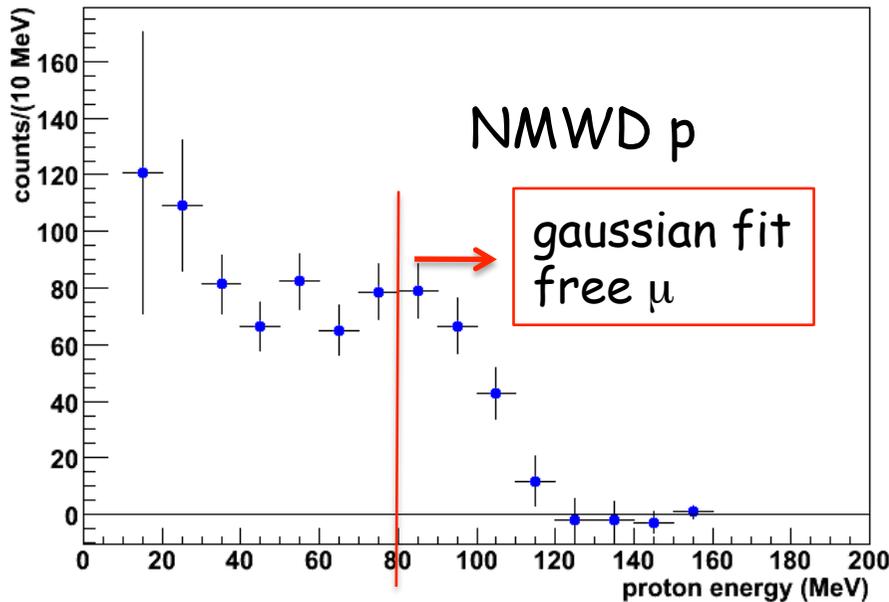
NMWD: Γ_{2N} from (π^-, p) events

M. Agnello et al., PLB 685 (2010) 247

$\Gamma_{2N}/\Gamma_{\text{NMWD}}$ & Γ_n/Γ_p independent on A

← assumption

W. Alberico and G. Garbarino, Phys. Rev. 369 (2002) 1.



A_{low} : spectrum area below μ
1N + 2N + FSI

A_{high} : spectrum area above μ
1N + FSI

← assumption

$p(2N, >70 \text{ MeV}) \sim 5\% p(2N, \text{tot})$

G. Garbarino, A. Parreno and A. Ramos, Phys. Rev. Lett. 91 (2003) 112501.

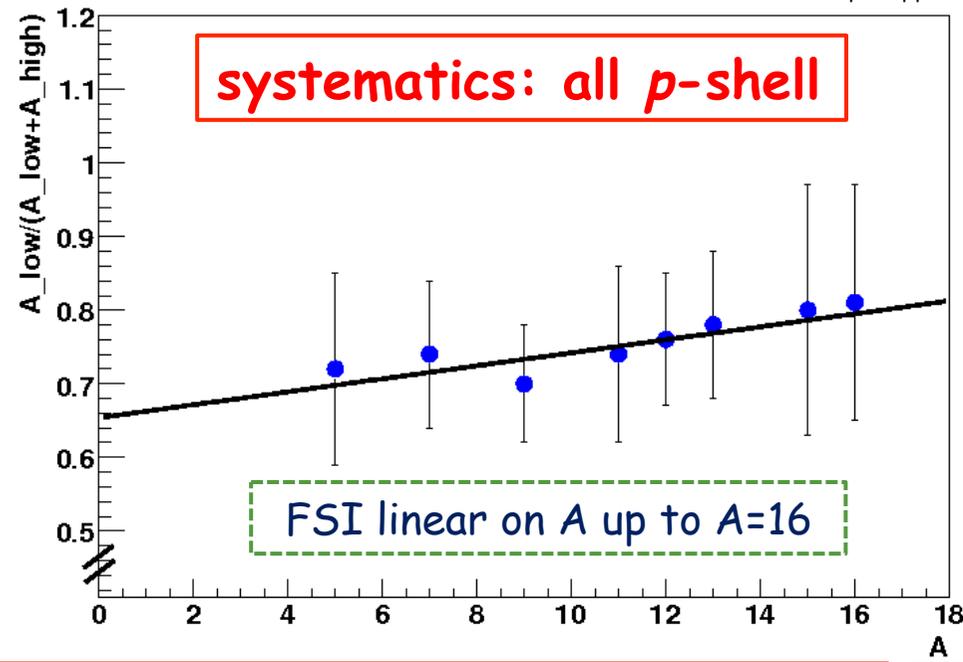
Phys. Rev. C 69 (2004) 054603.

$$R = \frac{A_{low}}{A_{low} + A_{high}} = \frac{0.5 N(\Lambda p \rightarrow np) + N(\Lambda np \rightarrow nnp) + N_p^{FSI-low}}{N(\Lambda p \rightarrow np) + N(\Lambda np \rightarrow nnp) + N_p^{FSI-low} + N_p^{FSI-high}}$$

$$R(A) = a + b A = \frac{0.5 + \Gamma_2/\Gamma_p}{1 + \Gamma_2/\Gamma_p} + b A$$

Assumption: Γ_2/Γ_1 and Γ_n/Γ_p not dependent on $A \rightarrow$ supported by exp and theory

$\Gamma_{np} : \Gamma_{pp} : \Gamma_{nn} = 0.83 : 0.12 : 0.04$ Bauer et al., NPA 828 (2009) 29



Bauer et al., NPA 828 (2009) 29
 Bhang et al., EPJ A33 (2007) 259: ~ 0.4 $^{12}_{\Lambda}C$
 M. Kim et al., PRL 103 (2009) 182502:
 0.29 ± 0.13 $^{12}_{\Lambda}C$
 J.D.Parker et al., PRC 76 (2007), 035501:
 ≤ 0.24 (95% CL) $^4_{\Lambda}He$

Bhang et al., EPJ A33 (2007) 259.

$$\frac{\Gamma_2}{\Gamma_p} = \frac{[R(A) - bA] - 0.5}{1 - [R(A) - bA]} = 0.43 \pm 0.25$$

$$\frac{\Gamma_2}{\Gamma_{NM}} = \frac{\Gamma_2/\Gamma_p}{\Gamma_n/\Gamma_p + 1 + \Gamma_2/\Gamma_p} = 0.24 \pm 0.10$$

NMWD: Γ_{2N} from (π^-, p, n) events

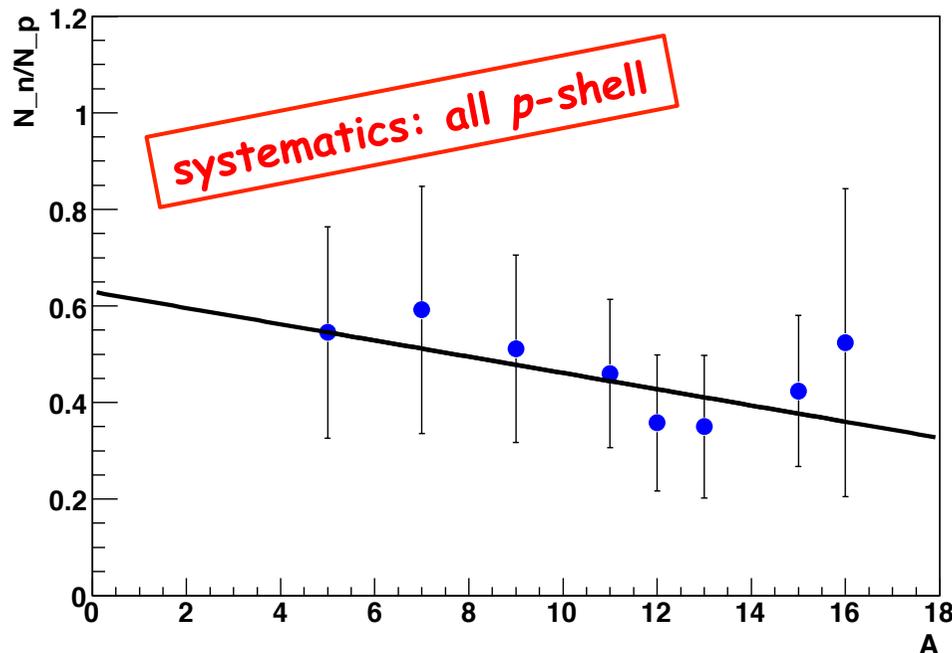
M. Agnello et al., PLB 701 (2011) 556

$$R(A) = \frac{N_n (\cos \theta \geq -0.8, E_p < \mu - 20 \text{ MeV})}{N_p (E_p > \mu \text{ p single spectra fit})} = \frac{N(\Lambda n p \rightarrow nnp) + N^{\text{FSI}}}{0.5 N(\Lambda p \rightarrow np) + N^{\text{FSI}}}$$

$\Gamma_{np} : \Gamma_{pp} : \Gamma_{nn} = 0.83 : 0.12 : 0.04$ Bauer et al., NPA 828 (2009) 29

$$R(A) = a + b A = \frac{\Gamma_2}{0.5 \Gamma_p} + b A$$

Γ_2/Γ_p not dependent on A



$$\frac{\Gamma_2}{\Gamma_p} = 0.39 \pm 0.16_{\text{stat}} + 0.04_{\text{sys}} - 0.03_{\text{sys}}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma_2}{\Gamma_{\text{NM}}} = 0.21 \pm 0.07_{\text{stat}} + 0.03_{\text{sys}} - 0.02_{\text{sys}}$$

M. Kim et al., PRL 103 (2009) 182502:
 0.29 ± 0.13 $^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$
 FINUDA Coll. et al., PLB 685 (2010) 247:
 0.24 ± 0.10

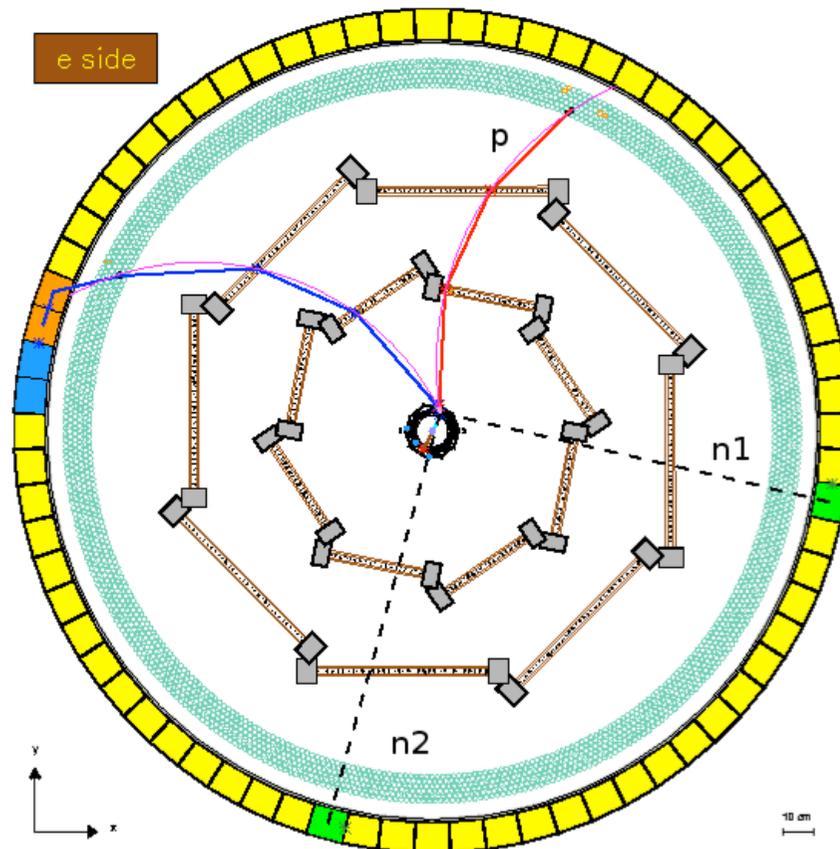
- low statistics
- direct measurement (n, p)
- reduced error

NMWD: evidence for (π^-, p, n, n) events

3 fourfold coincidence (π^-, n, n, p) events:

1 exclusive ${}^9_{\Delta}\text{Be} \rightarrow {}^6\text{Li} + p + n + n$ event

2 exclusive $\Delta n p \rightarrow n n p$ ${}^7_{\Delta}\text{Li} \rightarrow {}^4\text{He} + p + n + n$ decay events



$p_{\pi^-} = 276.93 \text{ MeV}/c$
 $E_{\text{tot}} = 178.3 \text{ MeV}$
 $Q\text{-value} = 167 \text{ MeV}$
 $p \text{ miss} = 216.6 \text{ MeV}/c$

$E(n1) = 110.2 \text{ MeV}$
 $E(n2) = 16.9 \text{ MeV}$
 $E(p) = 51.0 \text{ MeV}$

$\theta(n1 \ n2) = 95^\circ$
 $\theta(n1 \ p) = 102^\circ$
 $\theta(n2 \ p) = 154^\circ$
no n-n or p/n scattering

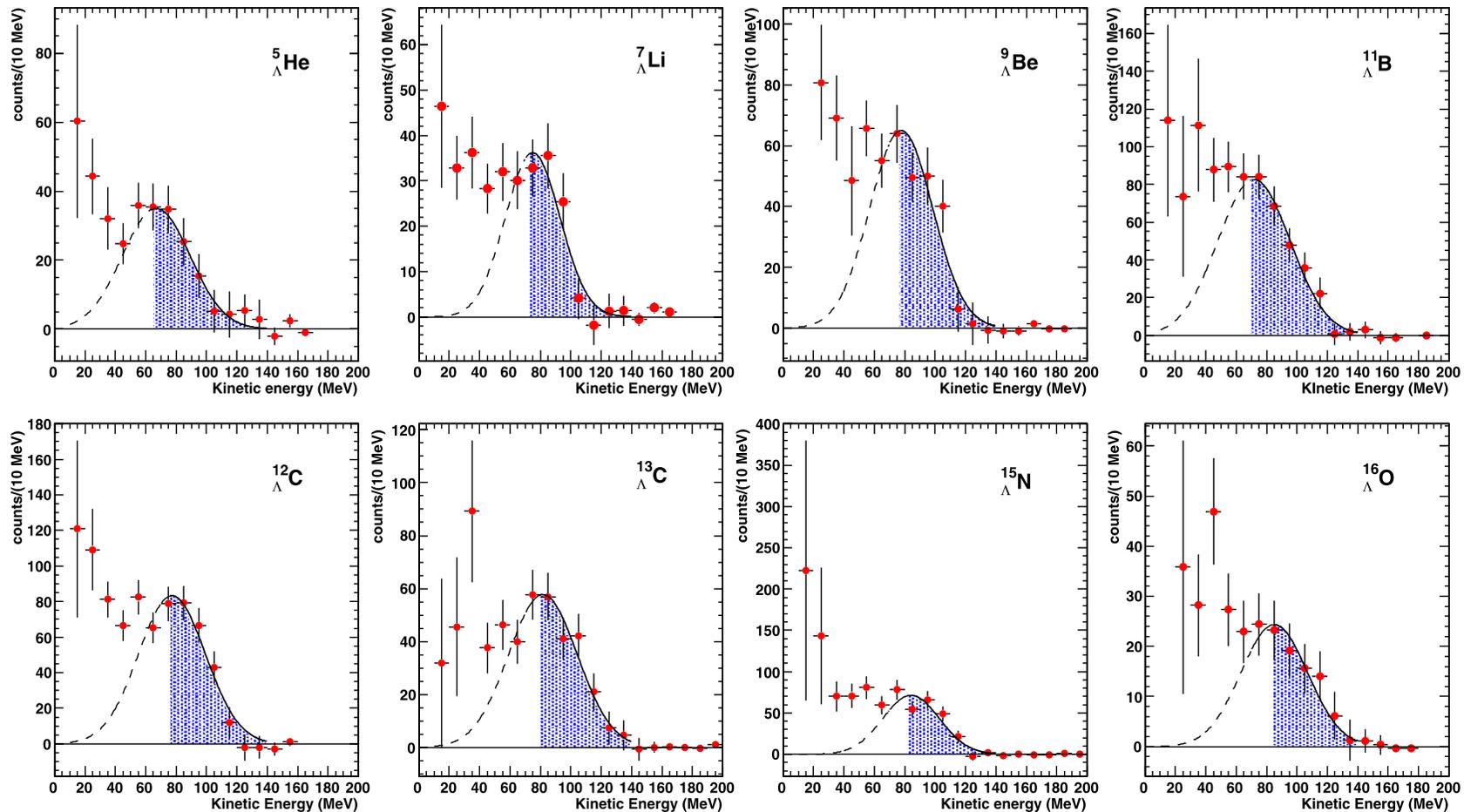
M. Agnello et al., NPA 881 (2012) 322

First direct experimental evidence of 2N-induced NMWD !!

Revisited analysis of the proton spectra

Attempt of **improving** the fits by **shifting down the lower edge** for the fits to 50, 60 and 70 MeV:

better value of $\chi^2/n = 1.33$ when choosing the **starting point at 70 MeV**



M. Agnello et al., PLB 738 (2014) 499

$$R_1(A) = \frac{A_{low}(A)}{A_{low}(A) + A_{high}(A)}$$

$\Gamma_{2N} / \Gamma_p = 0.50 \pm 0.24$	$(\Gamma_{2N} / \Gamma_{NMWD} = 0.25 \pm 0.12)$
$\Gamma_{2N} / \Gamma_p = 0.43 \pm 0.25$	$(\Gamma_{2N} / \Gamma_{NMWD} = 0.24 \pm 0.10)$ PLB 685 (2010) 247

$$R_2(A) = \frac{N_{np}[\cos \vartheta(np) \geq -0.8, E_p \leq (\mu - 20) \text{ MeV}]}{N_p(E_p > \mu \text{ } p \text{ single spectra fit})}$$

$\frac{\Gamma_{2N}}{\Gamma_p} = 0.36 \pm 0.14_{\text{stat} - 0.04\text{sys}}^{+0.05}$	$\left(\frac{\Gamma_{2N}}{\Gamma_{NMWD}} = 0.20 \pm 0.08_{\text{stat} - 0.02\text{sys}}^{+0.03} \right)$
$\frac{\Gamma_{2N}}{\Gamma_p} = 0.39 \pm 0.16_{\text{stat} - 0.03\text{sys}}^{+0.04}$	$\left(\frac{\Gamma_{2N}}{\Gamma_{NMWD}} = 0.21 \pm 0.07_{\text{stat} - 0.02\text{sys}}^{+0.03} \right)$ PLB 701 (2011) 556

First determination of $\Gamma_p / \Gamma_\Lambda$ for 8 Hypernuclei

$$\frac{\Gamma_p}{\Gamma_\Lambda} = \frac{\Gamma_T}{\Gamma_\Lambda} BR(p) = \frac{\Gamma_T}{\Gamma_\Lambda} \frac{2(N_p - N_{2N}) + \alpha(N_p - N_{2N})}{N_{hyp}} \quad \left(\frac{\alpha}{2 + \alpha} \right) \text{ "lost" protons FSI}$$

on the basis of Γ 's **experimental values** from **FINUDA** and **KEK**

$$\frac{\Gamma_T}{\Gamma_\Lambda} = \frac{\Gamma_{\pi^-} + \Gamma_{\pi^0}}{\Gamma_\Lambda} + \frac{\Gamma_p}{\Gamma_\Lambda} + \frac{\Gamma_n}{\Gamma_p} \cdot \frac{\Gamma_p}{\Gamma_\Lambda} + \frac{\Gamma_{2N}}{\Gamma_p} \cdot \frac{\Gamma_p}{\Gamma_\Lambda}$$

no INC calculation

$$\Gamma_{2N} / \Gamma_p = 0.36 \pm 0.14$$

$$\Gamma_n / \Gamma_p = 0.45 \pm 0.10 \text{ (} ^5\text{He}_\Lambda \text{)} \quad \Gamma_n / \Gamma_p = 0.51 \pm 0.15 \text{ (} ^{12}\text{C}_\Lambda \text{)}$$

- $\Gamma_p / \Gamma_\Lambda = 0.22 \pm 0.03 \text{ (} ^5\text{He}_\Lambda \text{)}$

J.J. Szymanski *et al.*, PRC 43 (1991) 849: 0.21 ± 0.07

- $\Gamma_p / \Gamma_\Lambda = 0.49 \pm 0.06 \text{ (} ^{12}\text{C}_\Lambda \text{)}$

H. Noumi *et al.*, PRC 52 (1995) 2936: 0.31 ± 0.07
 H. Bhang *et al.*, JKPS 59 (2011) 1461: 0.45 ± 0.10

- $\alpha_5(5) = 1.15 \pm 0.26$

- $\alpha_{12}(12) = 2.48 \pm 0.46$

linear scaling with A :

- $\alpha_5(12) = 1.04 \pm 0.19$

- $\alpha_{12}(5) = 2.77 \pm 0.63$



$$\overline{\alpha}_5 = 1.08 \pm 0.16$$

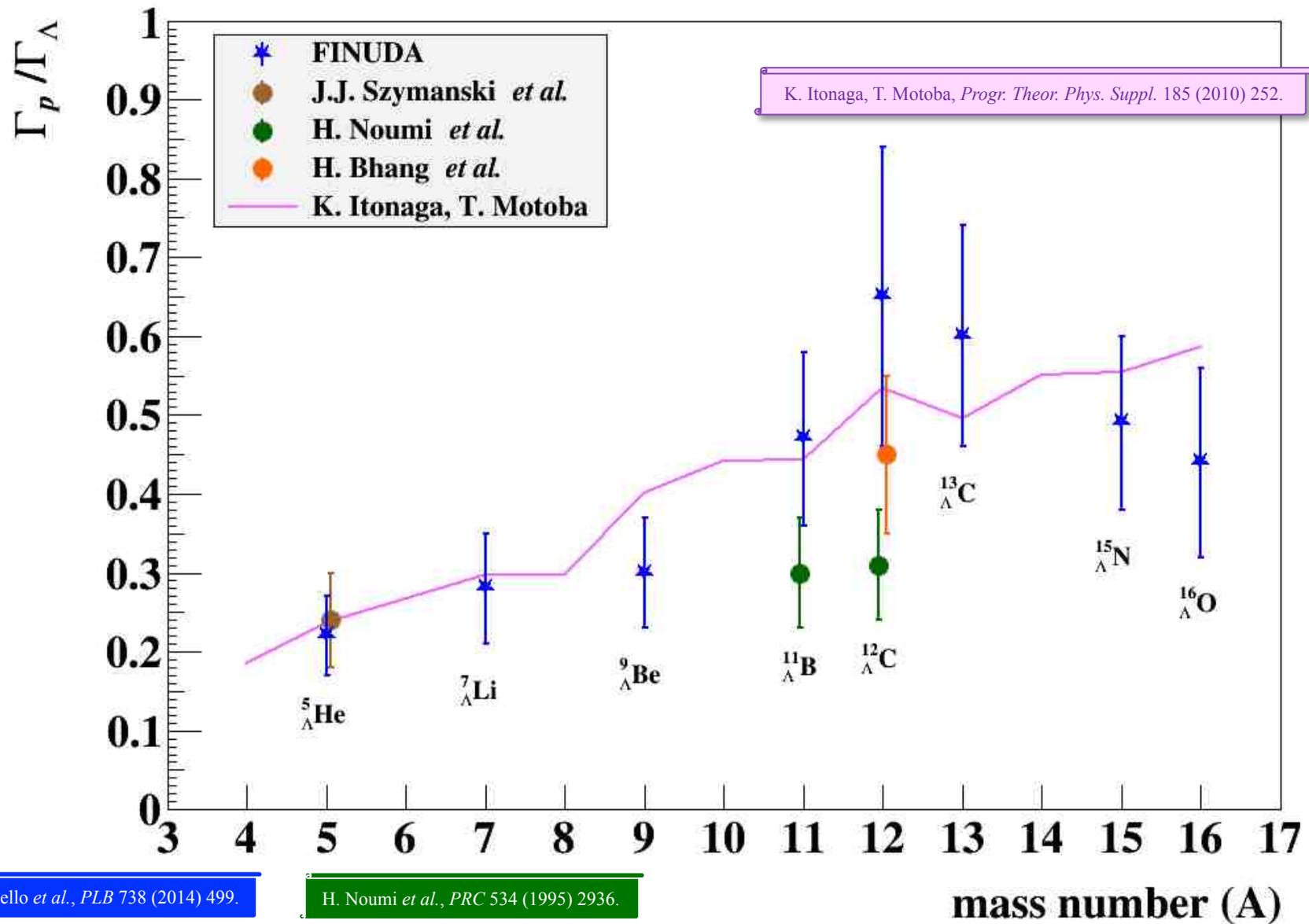
$$\overline{\alpha}_{12} = 2.58 \pm 0.37$$

weighted average

general expression:

$$\alpha(A) = (0.215 \pm 0.031)A$$

First determination of $\Gamma_p / \Gamma_\Lambda$ for 8 Hypernuclei



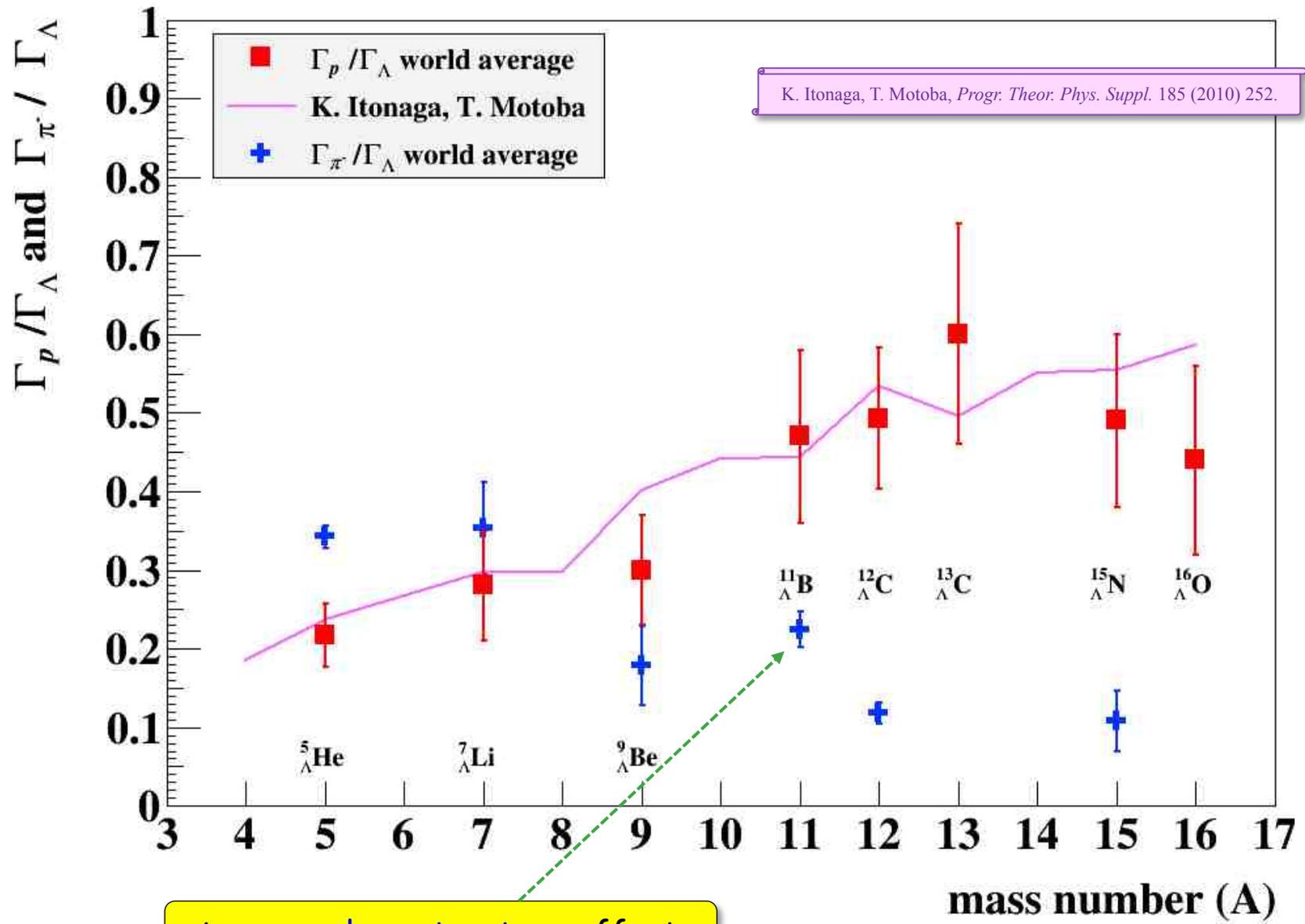
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H. Bhang *et al.*, *JKPS* 59 (2011) 1461.

Complementarity of $\Gamma_p / \Gamma_\Lambda$ and $\Gamma_{\pi^-} / \Gamma_\Lambda$



Completion of decay pattern for ${}^5\Lambda\text{He}$ and ${}^{11}\Lambda\text{B}$

	${}^5\Lambda\text{He}$	${}^{11}\Lambda\text{B}$	${}^{12}\Lambda\text{C}$	${}^{12}\Lambda\text{C}$
$\Gamma_T / \Gamma_\Lambda$	0.962±0.034	1.274±0.072	1.241±0.041	1.241±0.041
$\Gamma_{\pi^-} / \Gamma_\Lambda$	0.342±0.015	0.228±0.027	0.120±0.014	0.123±0.015
$\Gamma_{\pi^0} / \Gamma_\Lambda$	0.201±0.011	0.192±0.056	0.165±0.008	0.165±0.008
$\Gamma_p / \Gamma_\Lambda$	0.217±0.041	0.47±0.11	0.493±0.088	0.45±0.10
$\Gamma_{2N} / \Gamma_\Lambda$	0.078±0.034	0.169±0.077	0.178±0.076	0.27±0.13
$\Gamma_n / \Gamma_\Lambda$	0.125±0.066	0.21±0.16	0.28±0.12	0.23±0.08
Γ_n / Γ_p	0.58±0.32	0.46±0.37	0.58±0.27	0.51±0.14
Γ_n / Γ_p	0.508	0.502	0.418	

H. Bhang *et al.*, JKPS 59 (2011) 1461

B.H. Kang *et al.*, PRL 96 (2006) 062301:
0.45 ± 0.11

K. Itonaga, T. Motoba, PTP 185 (2010) 252



$$\Gamma_{2N} / \Gamma_p = 0.36 \pm 0.14_{\text{stat}-0.04\text{sys}}^{+0.05}$$

E. Botta *et al.*, PLB 748 (2015) 86

${}^6_{\Lambda}H$ and ${}^7_{\Lambda}H$ (${}^{12}_{\Lambda}Be$) search with FINUDA

Inclusive measurement oct 2003 - jan 2004: 190 pb^{-1}

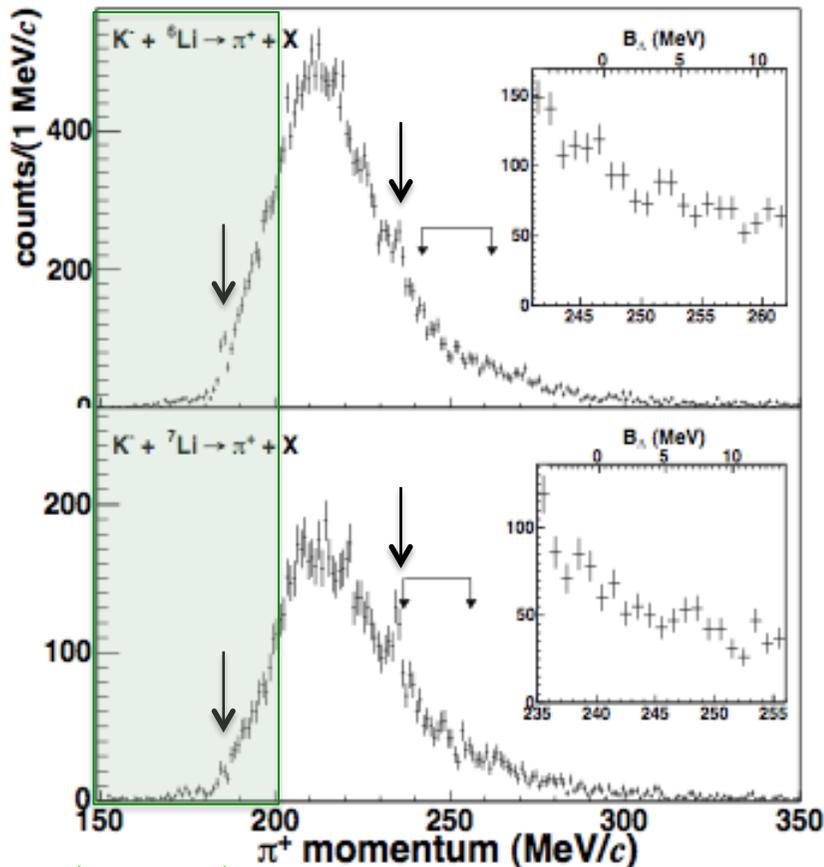
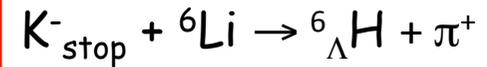
(K^-_{stop}, π^+)

M. Agnello et al. Phys. Lett. B 640 (2006) 145

${}^6_{\Lambda}H$ (${}^6\text{Li}$) U.L. = $(2.5 \pm 1.4) \cdot 10^{-5} / K^-_{\text{stop}}$

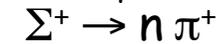
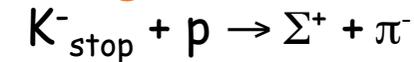
${}^7_{\Lambda}H$ (${}^7\text{Li}$) U.L. = $(4.5 \pm 1.4) \cdot 10^{-5} / K^-_{\text{stop}}$

${}^{12}_{\Lambda}Be$ (${}^{12}\text{C}$) U.L. = $(2.0 \pm 0.4) \cdot 10^{-5} / K^-_{\text{stop}}$

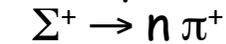


raw inclusive spectra
not acceptance corrected

background:



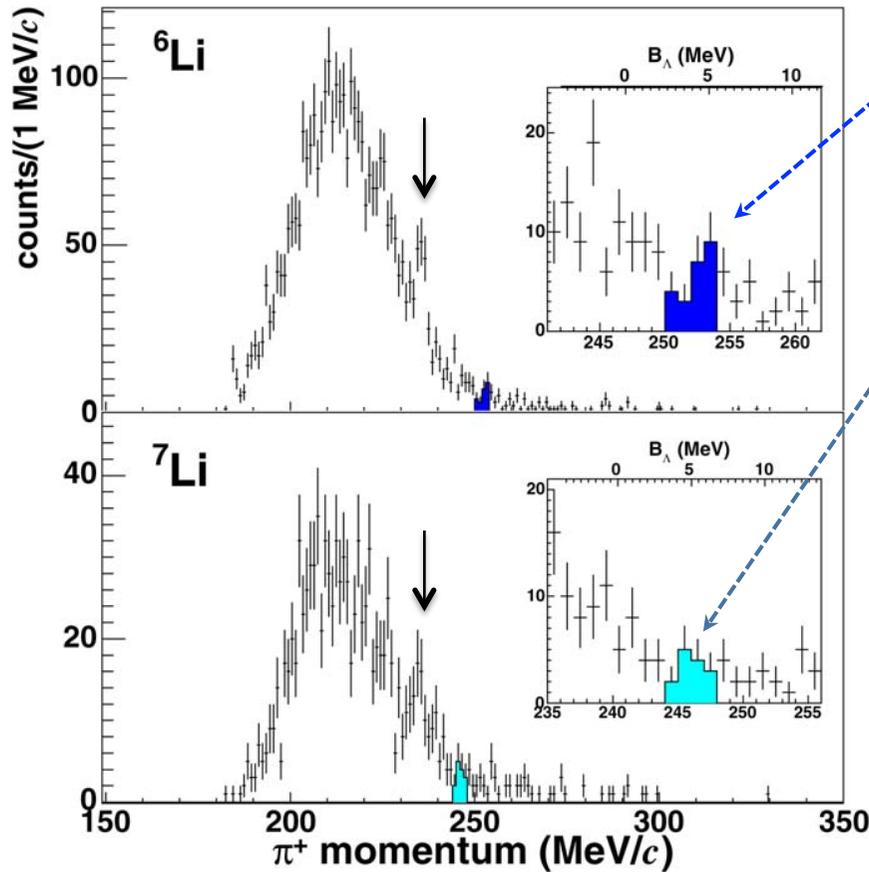
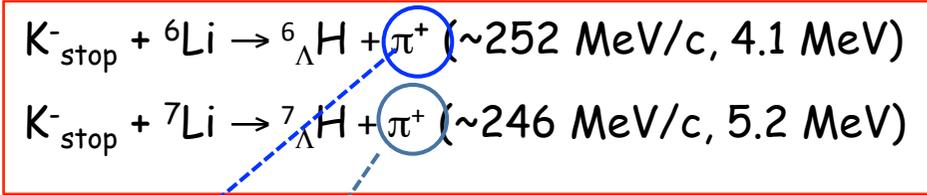
($\sim 130\text{-}250 \text{ MeV}/c$)



($\sim 100\text{-}320 \text{ MeV}/c$)

cut on K^-/π^+ distance: 2 mm

acceptance cut
for "long" tracks



statistics reduced (0.2)
shape only slightly modified



statistical significance
C.L. < 90%: U.L.

$$R_{\pi^+({}^6_{\Lambda}\text{H})} < (2.5 \pm 0.4_{\text{stat}}^{+0.4} - 0.1_{\text{syst}}) \cdot 10^{-5} / K_{\text{stop}}^-$$

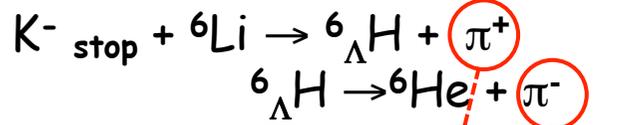
$$R_{\pi^+({}^7_{\Lambda}\text{H})} < (4.5 \pm 0.9_{\text{stat}}^{+0.4} - 0.1_{\text{syst}}) \cdot 10^{-5} / K_{\text{stop}}^-$$

$$R_{\pi^+({}^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{Be})} < (2.0 \pm 0.4_{\text{stat}}^{+0.3} - 0.1_{\text{syst}}) \cdot 10^{-5} / K_{\text{stop}}^-$$

background subtracted spectra
not acceptance corrected

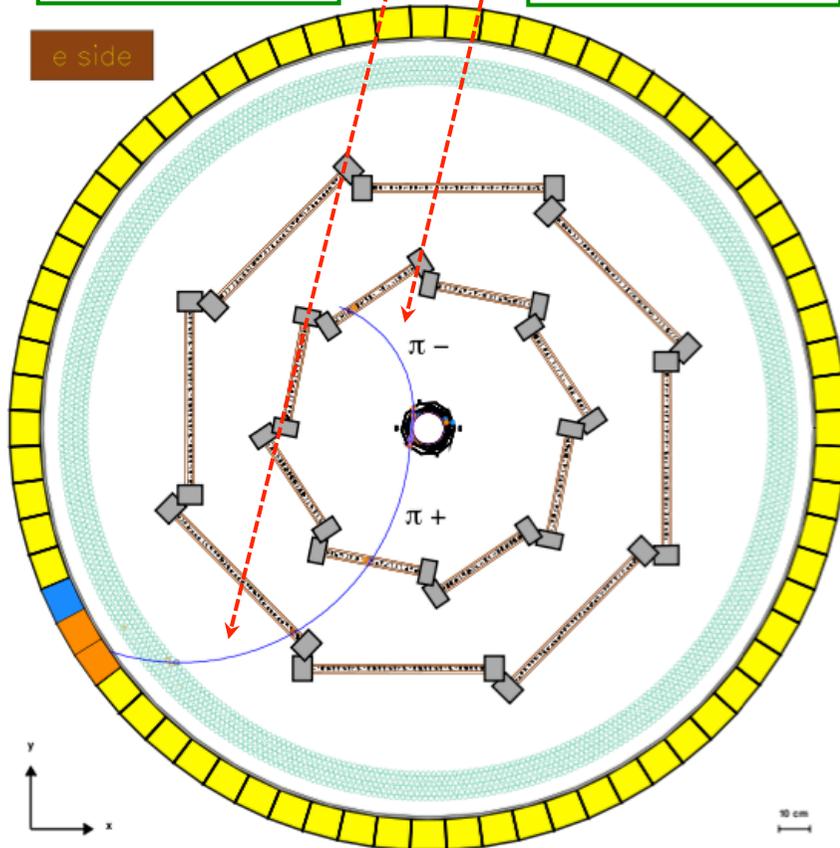
Coincidence measurement

nov 2006 - jun 2007: 960 pb⁻¹



D-CEX
~252 MeV/c

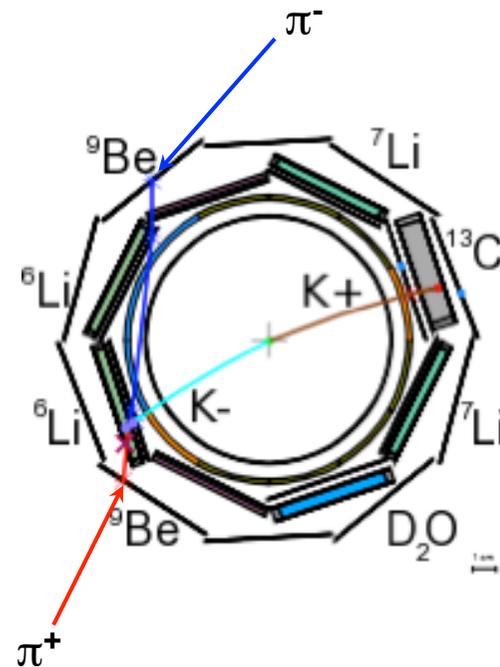
MWD
~134 MeV/c



Detector capabilities:

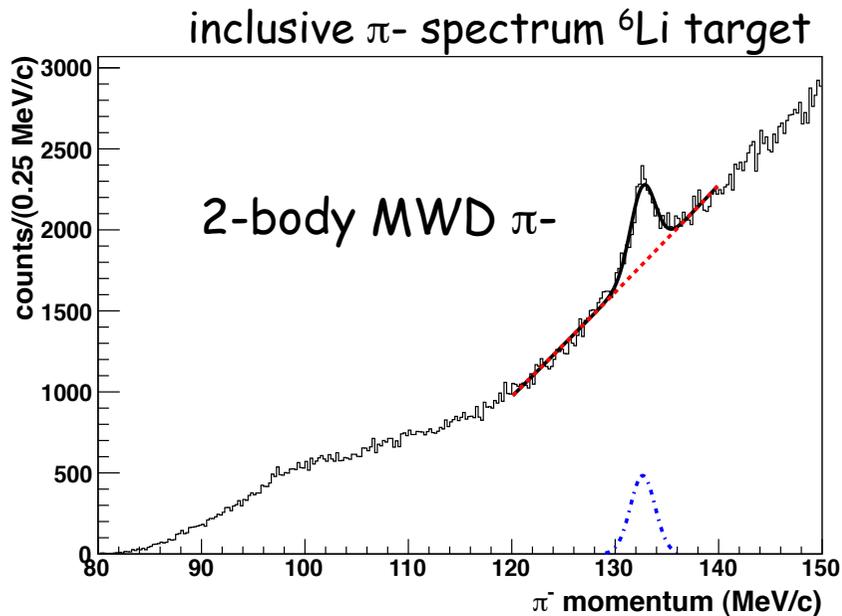
- ⊕ *Selective trigger* based on fast scint. detectors
 - ⊕ *precise K⁻ vertex identification* (~ 1 mm³) (P.ID.+ x,y,z resolution + K⁺ tagging)
 - ⊕ p, K, p, d, ... P.ID. (OSIM and LMDC dE/dx)
 - ⊕ *High momentum resolution*
- 6‰ FWHM π⁻ @270 MeV/c, 6‰ FWHM π⁻ @110 MeV/c
(tracker resolution + He bag + thin targets)

B = 1T



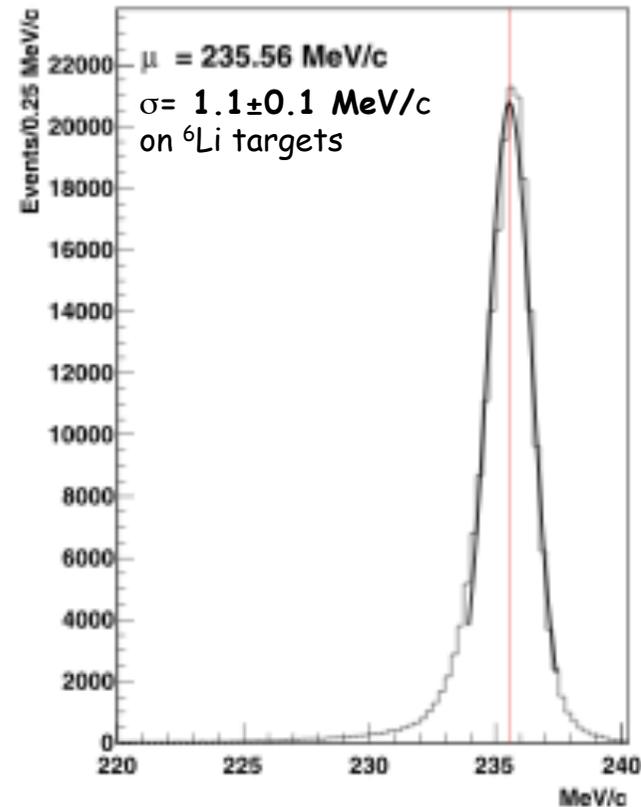
FINUDA π^\pm momentum calibration and resolution: physical "monochromatic" signals

production of ${}^4_\Lambda\text{H}$ hyperfragment on ${}^6\text{Li}$
and decay at rest



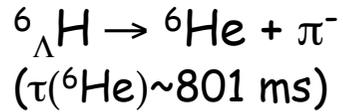
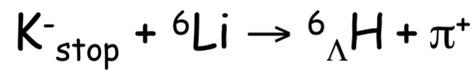
$\mu = 132.6 \pm 0.1 \text{ MeV/c}$ (132.8 MeV/c)
 $\sigma = 1.2 \pm 0.1 \text{ MeV/c}$
 $\chi^2/\text{ndf} = 79.1/74$

**by-products: continuous monitoring
stability**



FINUDA π^+ momentum resolution
(235 MeV/c): $K_{\mu 2}$ decay
(PLB 698 (2011) 219)

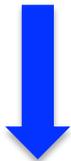
Coincidence measurement



if ${}^6_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ is a stable (bound) system
independent 2-body reactions:
decay at rest

$$M(K^-) + \underbrace{3 M(n) + 3M(p) - B({}^6\text{Li})}_{\text{Li}} = \underbrace{M({}^6_{\Lambda}\text{H})}_{\text{H}} + T({}^6_{\Lambda}\text{H}) + M(\pi^+) + \underbrace{T(\pi^+)}_{\text{H}}$$

$$\underbrace{M({}^6_{\Lambda}\text{H})}_{\text{H}} = \underbrace{4 M(n) + 2M(p) - B({}^6\text{He})}_{\text{He}} + T({}^6\text{He}) + M(\pi^-) + \underbrace{T(\pi^-)}_{\text{H}}$$



$$T(\pi^+) + T(\pi^-) =$$

$$M(K^-) + M(p) - M(n) - B({}^6\text{Li}) + B({}^6\text{He}) - T({}^6\text{He}) - T({}^6_{\Lambda}\text{H}) - M(\pi^+) - M(\pi^-)$$

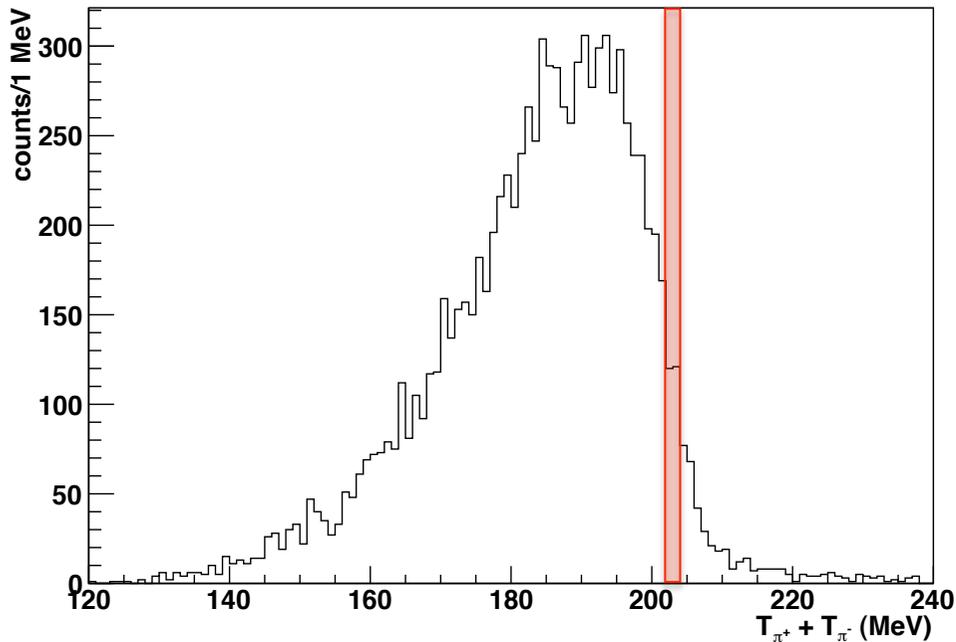
$$= \mathbf{203.0 \pm 1.3 \text{ MeV}} \quad (203.5 \div 203.3 \text{ MeV with } B_{\Lambda} = 0 \div 6 \text{ MeV})$$

$$\text{cut on } \underbrace{T(\pi^+) + T(\pi^-)}_{\text{H}}: 202 \div 204 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\sqrt{M^2({}^6\text{He}) + p^2(\pi^-)} - M({}^6\text{He})$$

$$\sqrt{M^2({}^6_{\Lambda}\text{H}) + p^2(\pi^+)} - M({}^6_{\Lambda}\text{H})$$

$$M({}^6_{\Lambda}\text{H}) = M({}^5\text{H}) + M(\Lambda) - B(\Lambda)$$



selection:
 $T(\pi^+) + T(\pi^-) = 202 \div 204 \text{ MeV}$

background contribution

Finuda Coll. and A. Gal,
 NPA 881 (2012) 269.

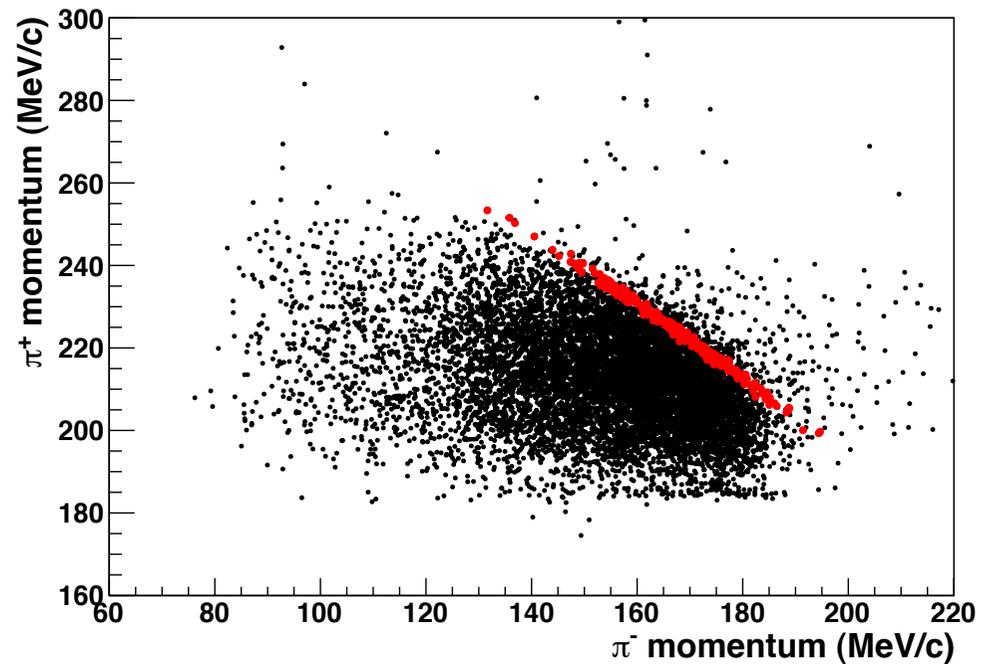
absolute energy scale:
 μ -(235.6 MeV/c) from $K_{\mu 2}$
 $\Delta_p < 0.12 \text{ MeV/c}$

π -(132.8 MeV/c) from ${}^4_{\Lambda}H$
 $\Delta_p < 0.2 \text{ MeV/c}$

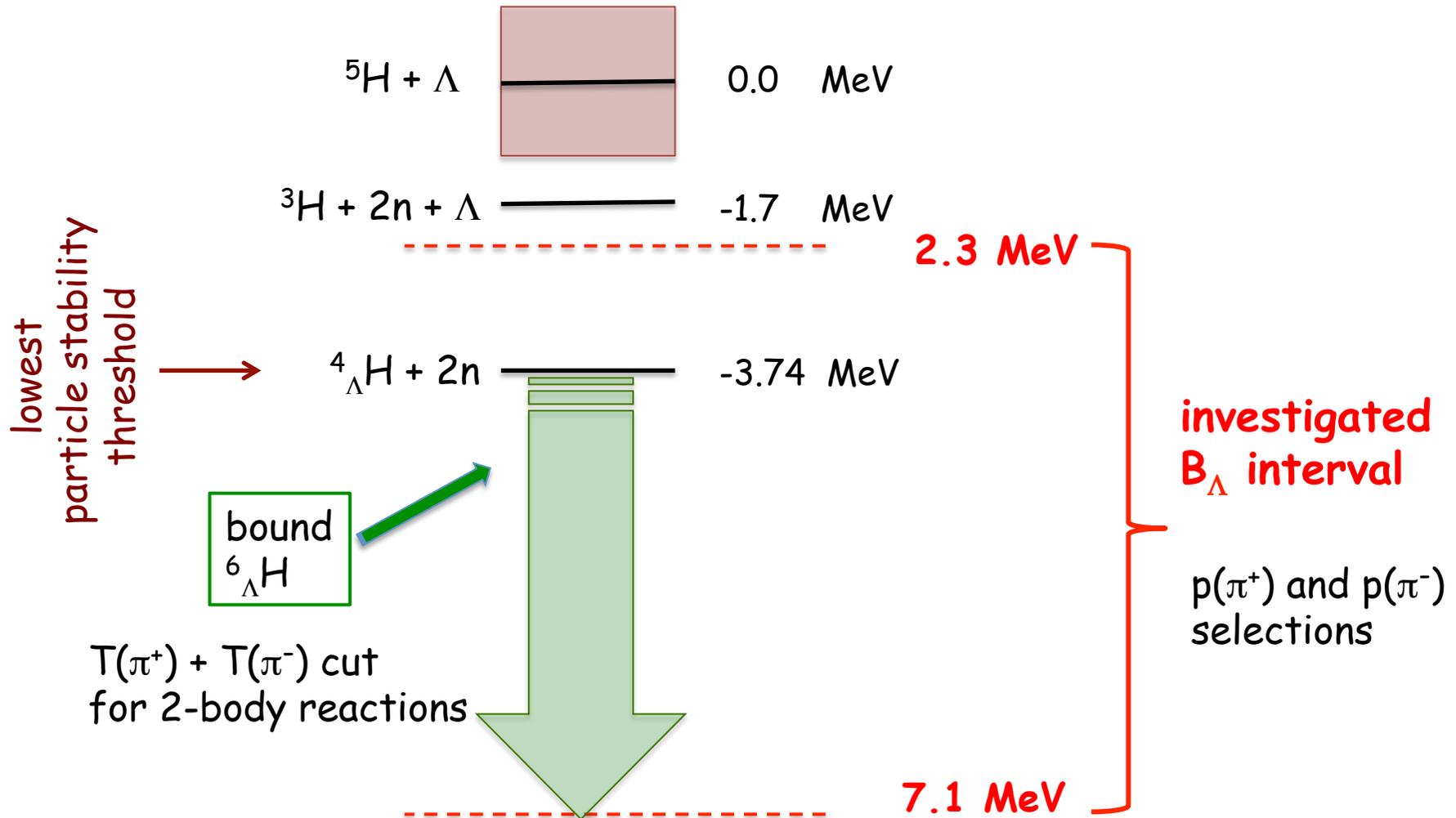
systematic errors
 $\sigma T_{\text{sys}} = 0.17 \text{ MeV}$

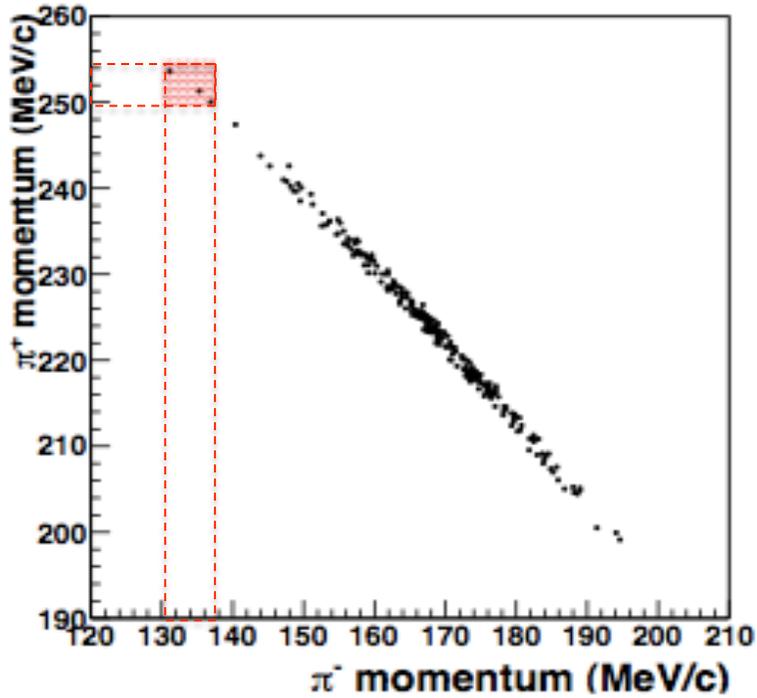
$\sigma T(\pi^+) = 0.96 \text{ MeV}$, $\sigma T(\pi^-) = 0.84 \text{ MeV}$
 $\sigma T_{\text{exp}} = 1.3 \text{ MeV}$
 $\sigma T = 1.3 \text{ MeV} (\sim 0.5 \%)$

uncertainty on $T(\pi^+) + T(\pi^-) = 0.2 \text{ MeV}$
 sensitivity of 30 keV per MeV of $B_{\Lambda}({}^6_{\Lambda}H)$



Search for bound ${}^6_{\Lambda}H$



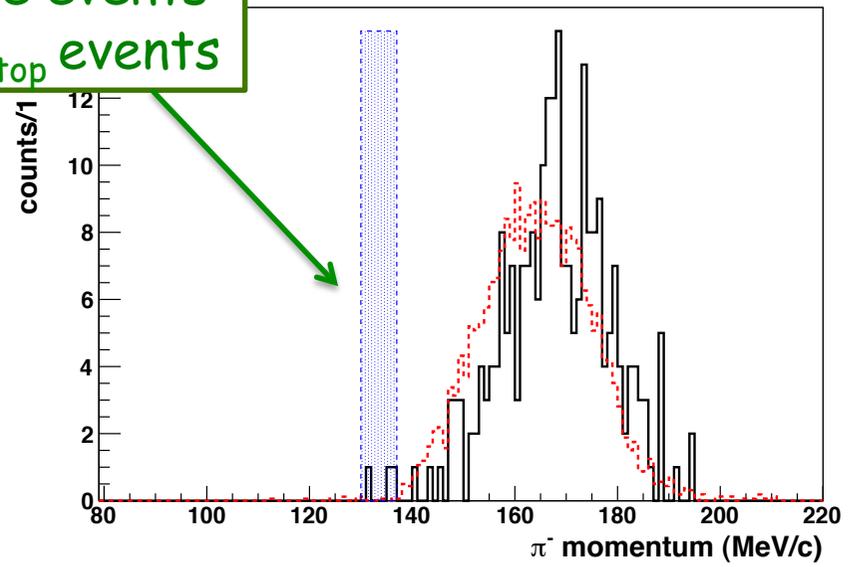
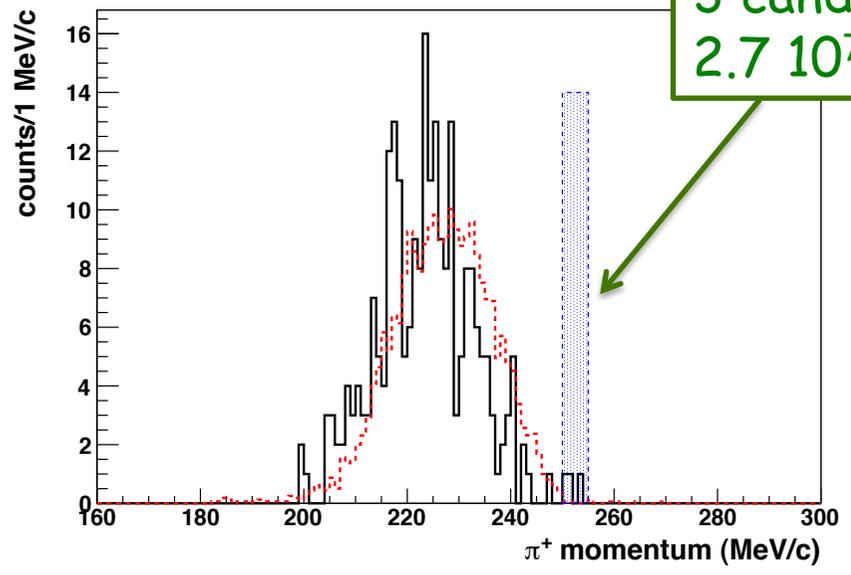


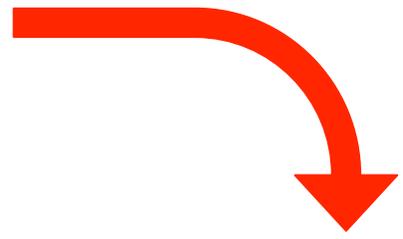
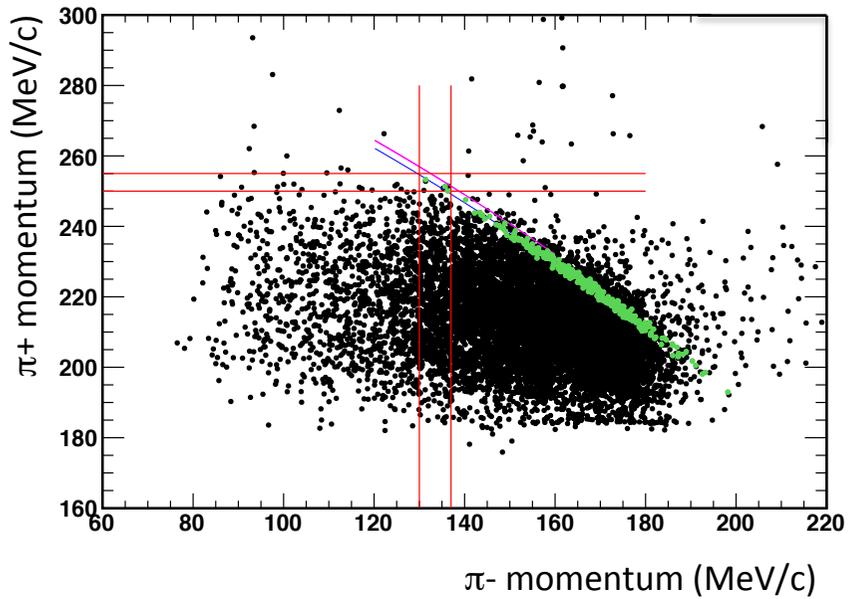
250÷255 MeV/c ($\sigma_p = 1.1$ MeV/c)
 130÷137 MeV/c ($\sigma_p = 1.2$ MeV/c)

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blue bars: p_{π^+/π^-} selection regions
 including ${}^6_{\Lambda}H$ lowest particle stability
 threshold ${}^4_{\Lambda}H + 2n$ ($p_{\pi^+} = 251.9$ MeV/c,
 $p_{\pi^-} = 135.6$ MeV/c) $B_{\Lambda} = 2.3 \div 7.1$ MeV

3 candidate events
 $2.7 \cdot 10^7$ K^-_{stop} events



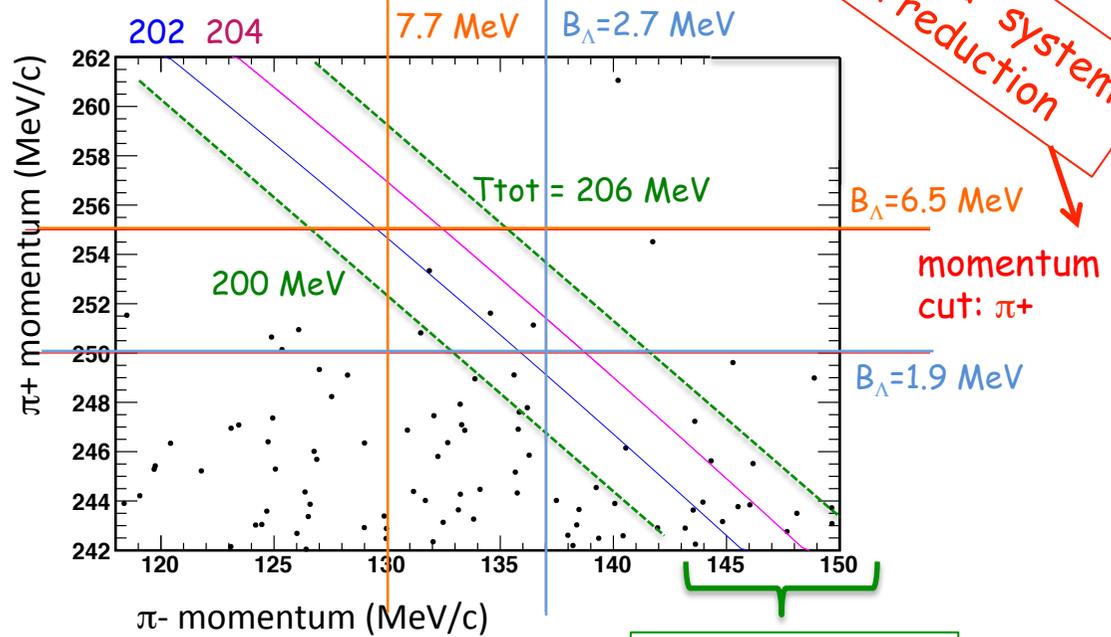


"completely bound" system
 Σ^+ background reduction

momentum cut: π^-

$B_\Lambda = 7.1 \text{ MeV}$

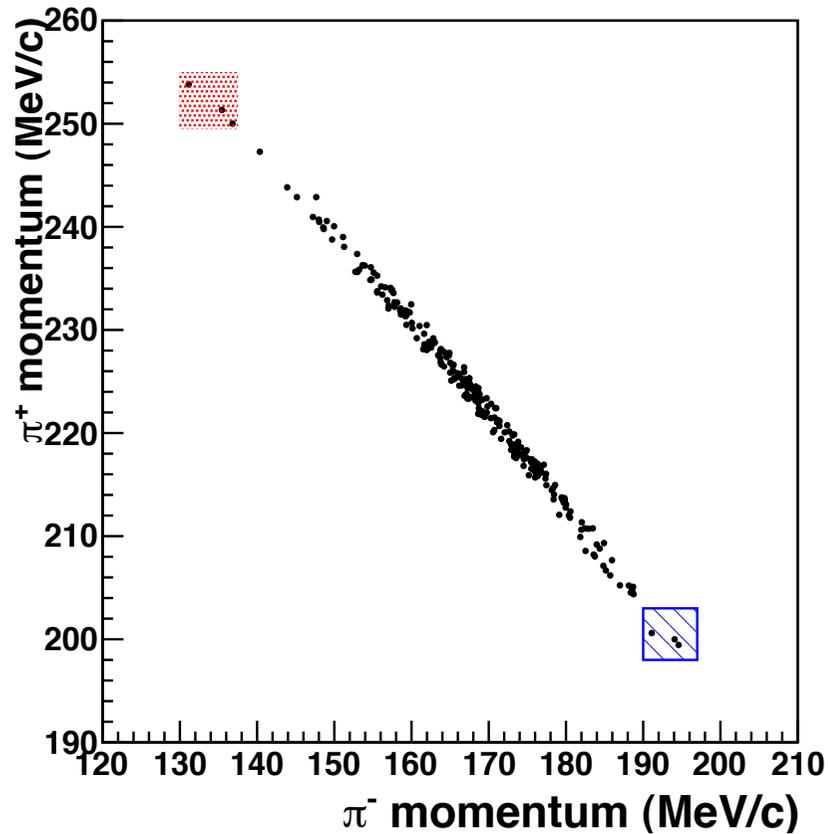
$B_\Lambda = 2.3 \text{ MeV}$



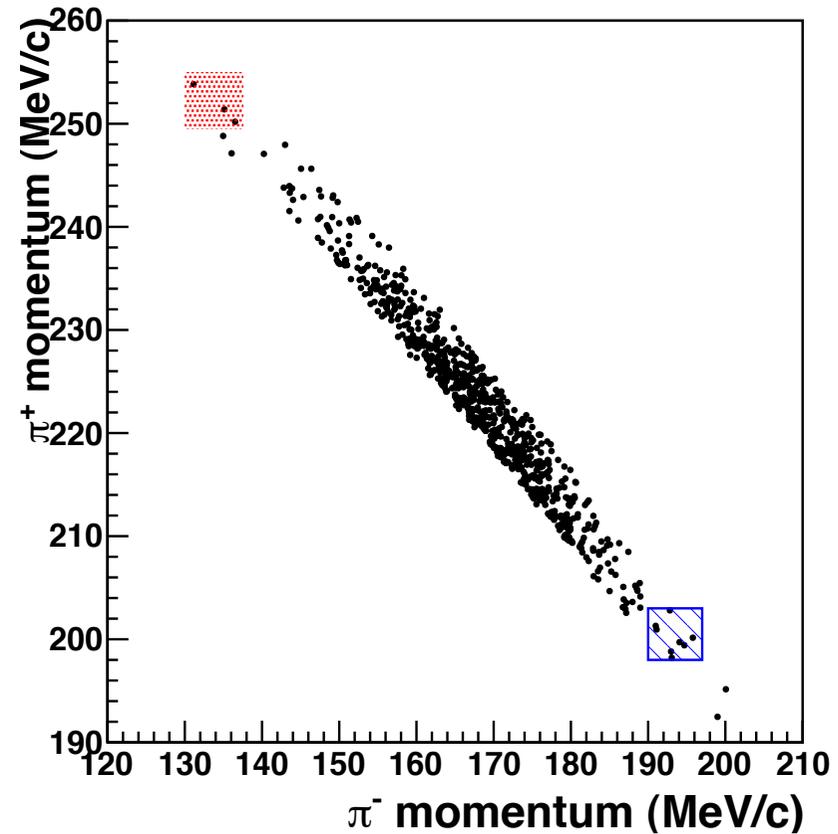
Mprod = Mdecay
 cut: Ttot

$T(\pi^+) + T(\pi^-)$ cut : systematics

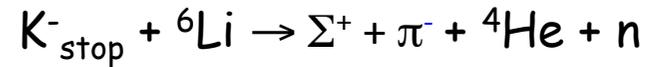
$T(\pi^+) + T(\pi^-) = 202 \div 204 \text{ MeV}$



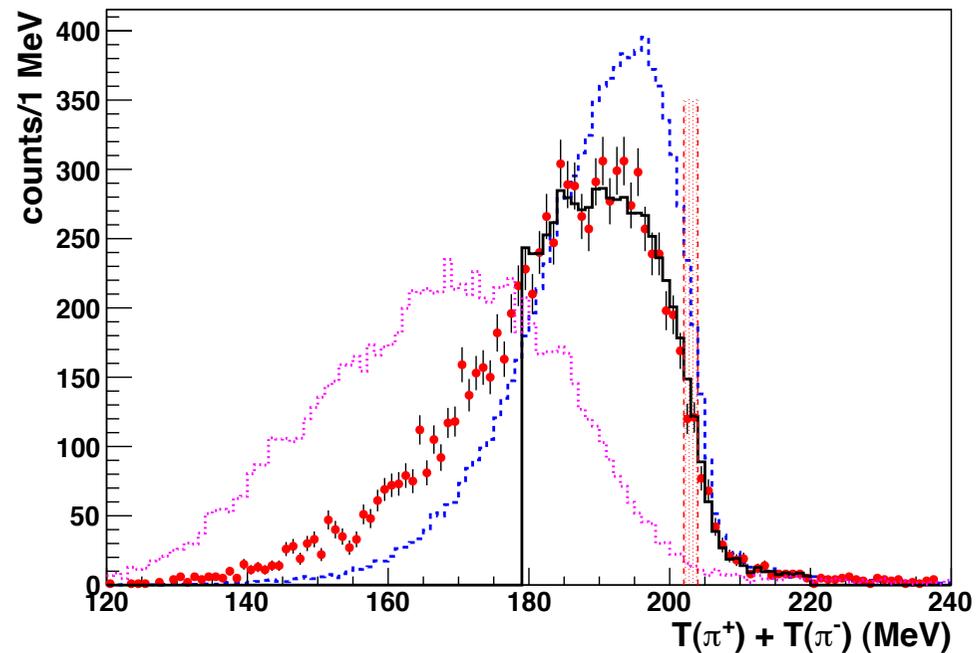
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Background sources: Σ^+ production and decay



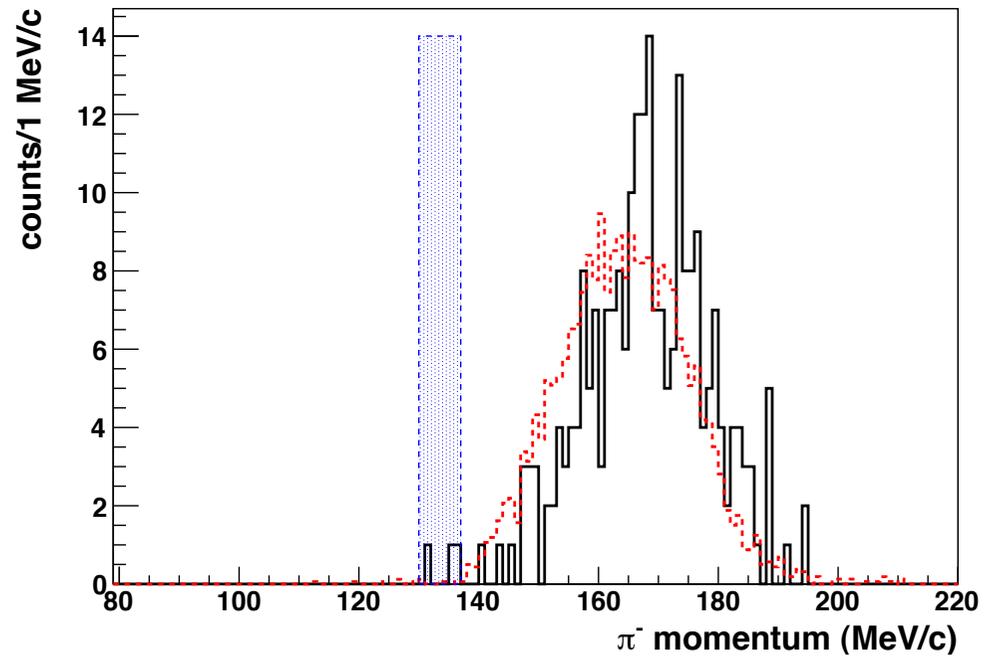
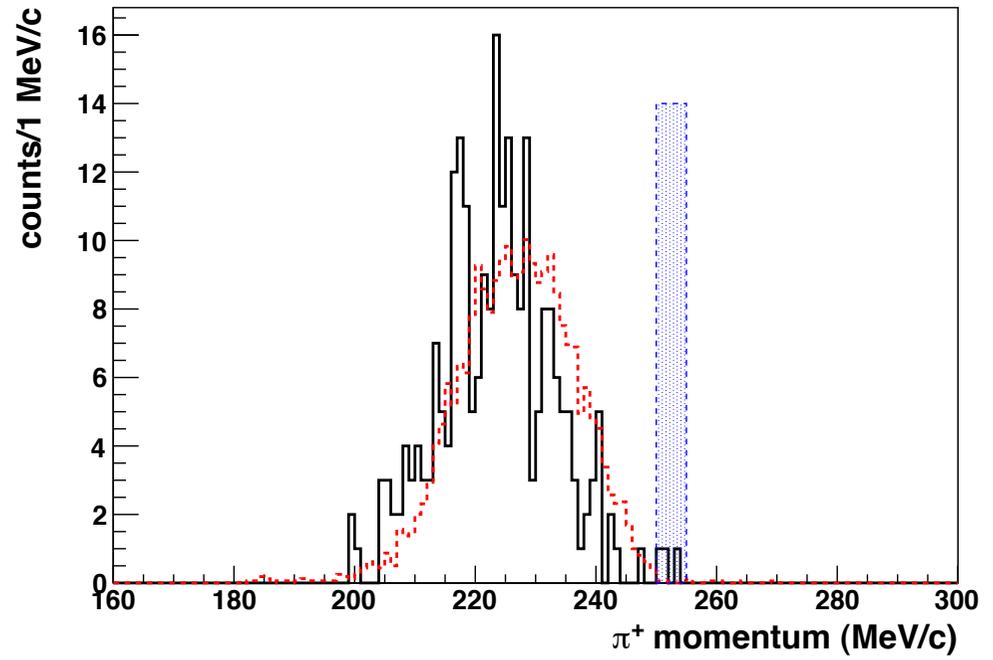
- quasi free approach: 0.743 ± 0.019
- 4-body interaction: 0.257 ± 0.017 $\chi^2/\text{ndf} = 40.0/39$
- ${}^4\text{He} + n$ and " ${}^5\text{He}$ " final state

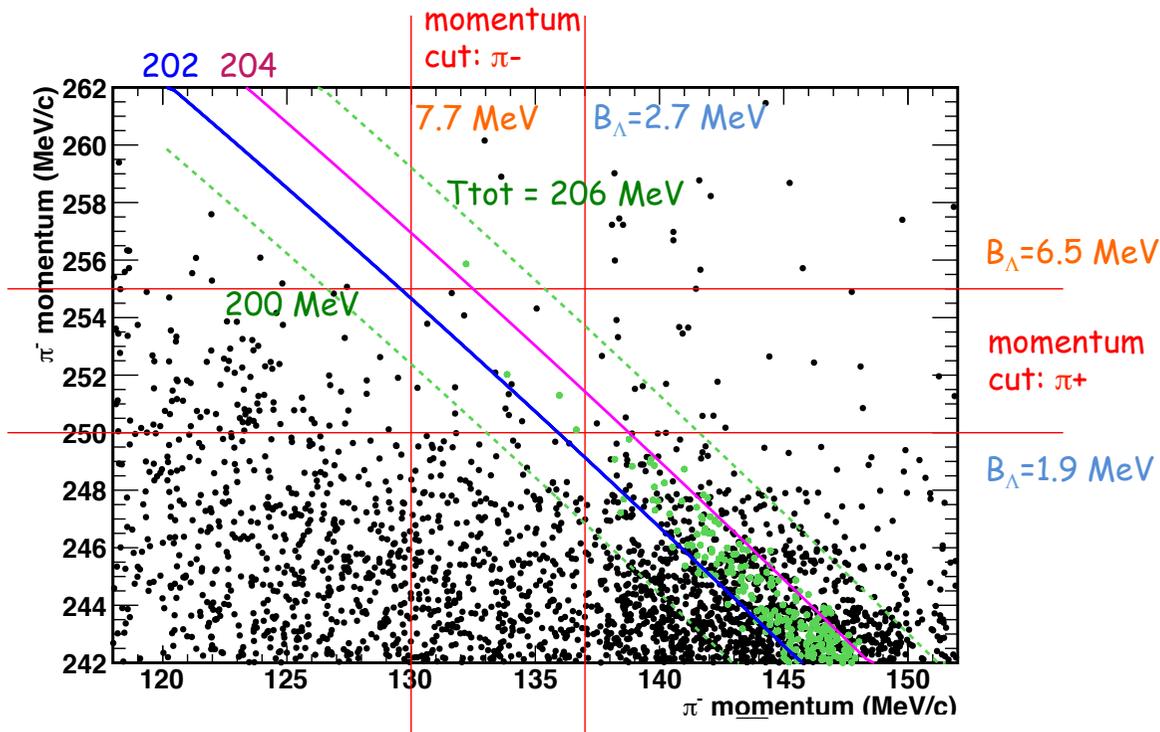


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130-220 MeV
 χ^2/ndf increases of ~ 3.8
fractions change < 0.025 ($1.3\text{-}1.5\sigma$)

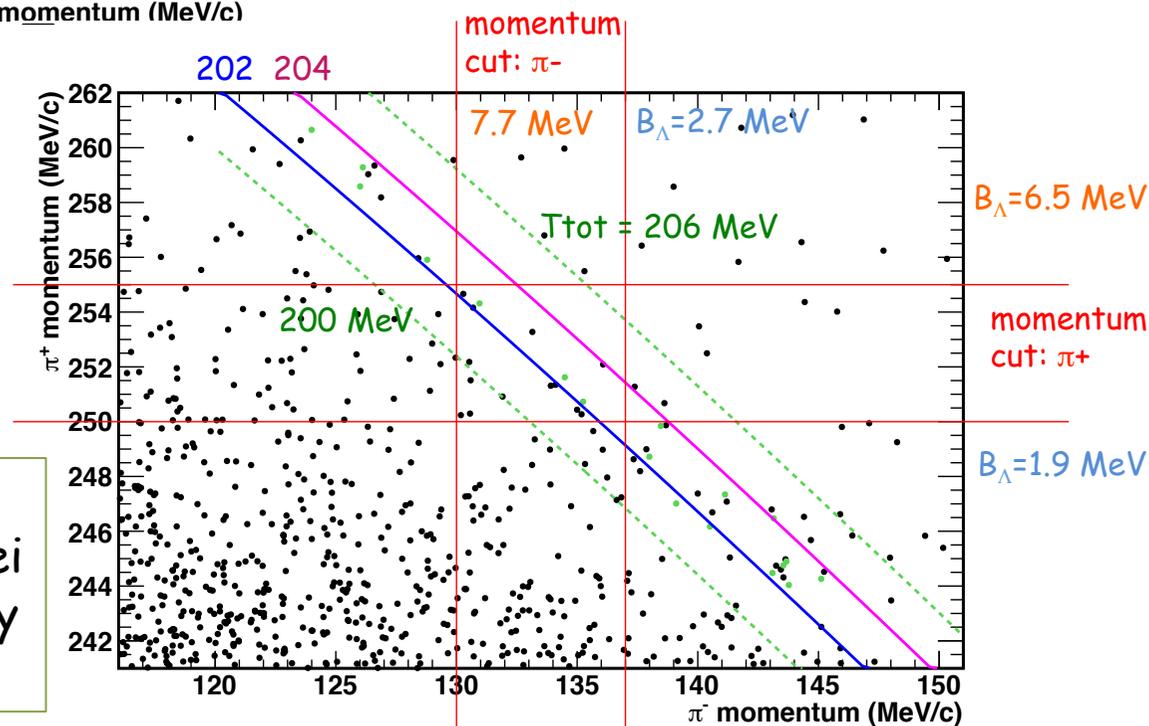
1d π^+/π^- spectra





• pure quasi free approach
 $\sim 2.2 \cdot 10^7 K_{\text{stop}}^-$ MC events
 3 ev. $\rightarrow 0.15 \pm 0.09$ ev.

• pure 4-body interaction
 $\sim 2.7 \cdot 10^7 K_{\text{stop}}^-$ MC events
 5 ev. $\rightarrow 0.20 \pm 0.11$ ev.



• data: $\sim 2.7 \cdot 10^7 K_{\text{stop}}^-$ events
 • $BR(K_{\text{stop}}^- + p \rightarrow \Sigma^+ + \pi^-)$ on nuclei
 • $\Sigma^+ + n \rightarrow \Lambda + p$ conv. probability
 • $BR(\Sigma^+ \rightarrow n + \pi^+)$

${}^6_{\Lambda}\text{H}/\text{K}^-_{\text{stop}}$ production rate

Total background: BGD1 + BGD2 = 0.43 ± 0.28 events on ${}^6\text{Li}$

Poisson statistics: 3 events DO NOT belong to pure background: C.L.= 99% ($S=3.9$)

$$R * \text{BR}(\pi^-) = (3 - \text{BGD1} - \text{BGD2}) (\epsilon(\pi^-))^{-1} (\epsilon(\pi^+))^{-1} / (\text{n. } \text{K}^-_{\text{stop}} \text{ on } {}^6\text{Li})$$

Corrections: ${}^6\text{Li}$ targets purity, $\pm 0.77 \sigma$ $T(\pi^+) + T(\pi^-)$ cut, decay in flight

90%
0.5588
10%

$$R * \text{BR}(\pi^-) = (2.9 \pm 2.0) 10^{-6}/\text{K}^-_{\text{stop}}$$

H. Tamura, et al.,
PRC 40 (1989) R479
 ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ on ${}^7\text{Li} = 0.2$

H. Tamura, et al.,
PRC 40 (1989) R479
 $\text{BR}(\pi^-) {}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H} = 0.49$

$$R = (5.9 \pm 4.0) 10^{-6}/\text{K}^-_{\text{stop}}$$

Agnello et al., *PLB* 64(2006) 145
U.L. 90%: $(2.5 \pm 0.4^{+0.4}_{-0.1}) 10^{-5}/\text{K}^-_{\text{stop}}$

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first evidence of ${}^6_{\Lambda}H$ based on 3 events that cannot be attributed to pure instrumental and physical background

kinematics

T_{tot} (MeV)	$p(\pi^+)$ (MeV/c)	$p(\pi^-)$ (MeV/c)	$M({}^6_{\Lambda}H)$ formation (MeV/c ²)	$M({}^6_{\Lambda}H)$ decay (MeV/c ²)	$\Delta M({}^6_{\Lambda}H)$ (MeV)
202.5±1.3	251.3±1.1	135.1±1.2	5802.33±0.96	5801.41±0.84	0.92±1.28
202.7±1.3	250.0±1.1	136.9±1.2	5803.45±0.96	5802.73±0.84	0.71±1.28
202.1±1.3	253.8±1.1	131.2±1.2	5799.97±0.96	5798.66±0.84	1.31±1.28

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- ✓ B_{Λ} determination
- ✓ formation - decay mass difference

${}^6_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ binding energy

$(N+Y)/Z=5$

Dalitz et al., N. Cim. 30 (1963) 489 (binding energy 4.2 MeV)

B ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ 2.39 Λ	${}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ 3.12 Λ	${}^6_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ 4.18 n 0.17 xxx	${}^7_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ 5.23 n 2.92 halo	${}^8_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ 7.16 n 1.49 xxx	${}^9_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ (8.5) n 3.9 halo
${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ 0.13 Λ	${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ 2.04 Λ	${}^5_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ (3.1) n -1.8 xxx	${}^6_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ (4.2) 2n -5 xxx	${}^7_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ (5.2) 3n 0.4 xxx	

4.2 MeV

L. Majling, NPA 585 (1995) 211c

- binding energy

- prod. rate $\sim 10^{-2}$ * hyp. prod. rate in $(K^-_{\text{stop}}, \pi^-)$

Y. Akaishi et al., AIP Conf. Proc. 1011 (2008) 277

K.S. Myint, et al., Few Body Sys. Suppl. 12 (2000) 383

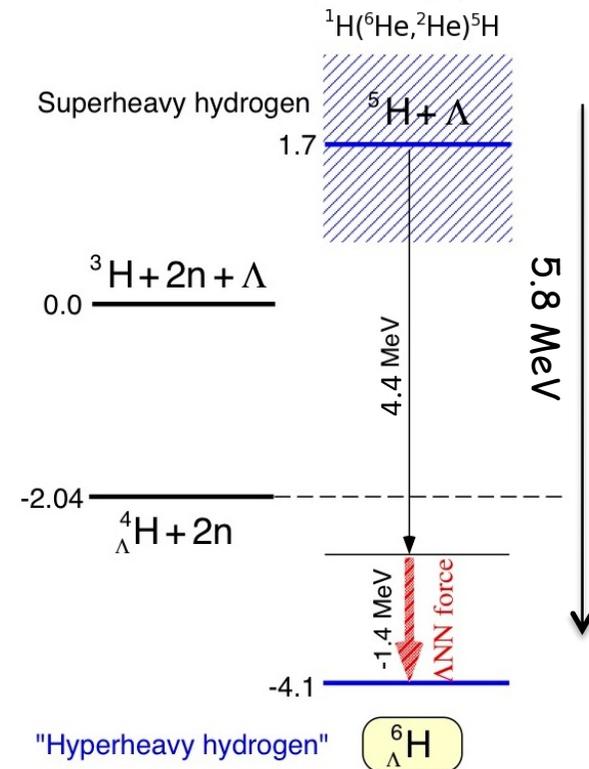
Y. Akaishi et al., Frascati Phys. Series XVI (1999) 16

"coherent" Λ - Σ coupling in 0^+ states

→ Λ NN three body force:

$B_{\Lambda\text{NN}} = 1.4 \text{ MeV}$, $\Delta E(0^+_{g.s.} - 1^+) = 2.4 \text{ MeV}$

model originally developed for ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ and ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}$



$B_{\Lambda}(^6_{\Lambda}H)$ determination

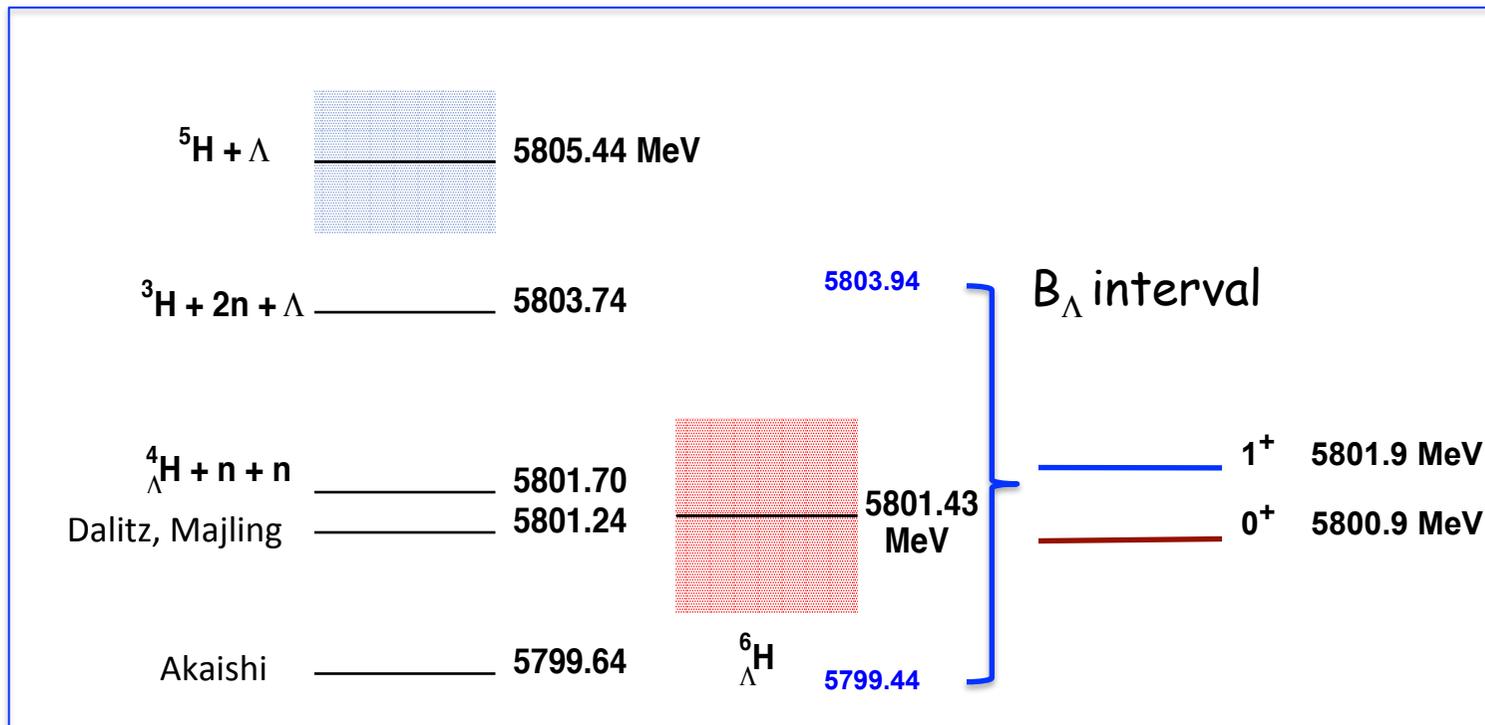
mass mean value = 5801.4 ± 1.1

$$B_{\Lambda} = 4.0 \pm 1.1 \text{ MeV } (^5\text{He} + \Lambda)$$

$$B = 0.3 \pm 1.1 \text{ MeV } (^4_{\Lambda}\text{H} + 2n)$$

$$B_{\Lambda} = 5.8 \text{ MeV } (^5\text{He} + \Lambda)$$

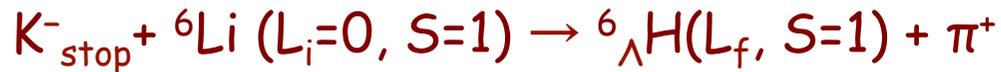
$\Delta\text{NN force: } 1.4 \text{ MeV}$



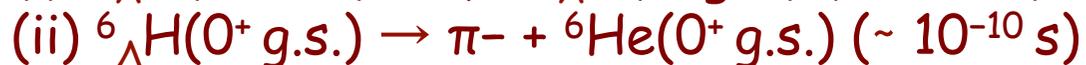
formation - decay = $0.98 \pm 0.74 \text{ MeV}$

formation - decay ΔM

Spin flip is forbidden in production at rest:



$L_f = 0 \rightarrow {}^6_{\Lambda}\text{H}(1^+_{\text{exc.}})$ followed by :



$\rightarrow B_{\Lambda}({}^6_{\Lambda}\text{H}) = (4.5 \pm 1.2) \text{ MeV}$ vs ${}^5\text{He} + \Lambda$ from decay mass only

little neutron-excess effect compared to $B_{\Lambda}({}^6_{\Lambda}\text{He}) = (4.18 \pm 0.10) \text{ MeV}$

Excitation energy of the 1^+ spin-flip state from a systematic difference $\Delta M = 0.98 \pm 0.74 \text{ MeV}$ between values of ${}^6_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ mass derived separately from production and from decay.

1^+ particle stable? 0^+ particle stable?

J-PARC E10

Recent searches: J-PARC - E10

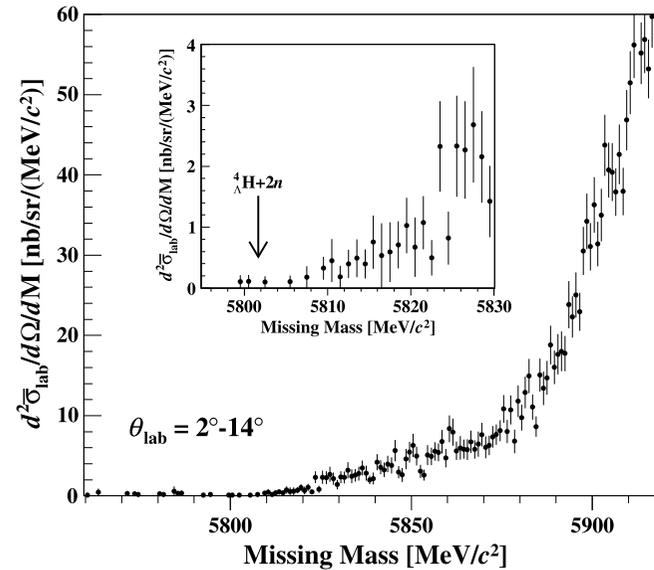
(π^-, K^+)

H.Sugimura et al., PLB 729 (2014) 39

J-PARC K1.8 beamline $p_{\pi^-} = 1.2 \text{ GeV}/c$

no peak structure in the MM spectrum

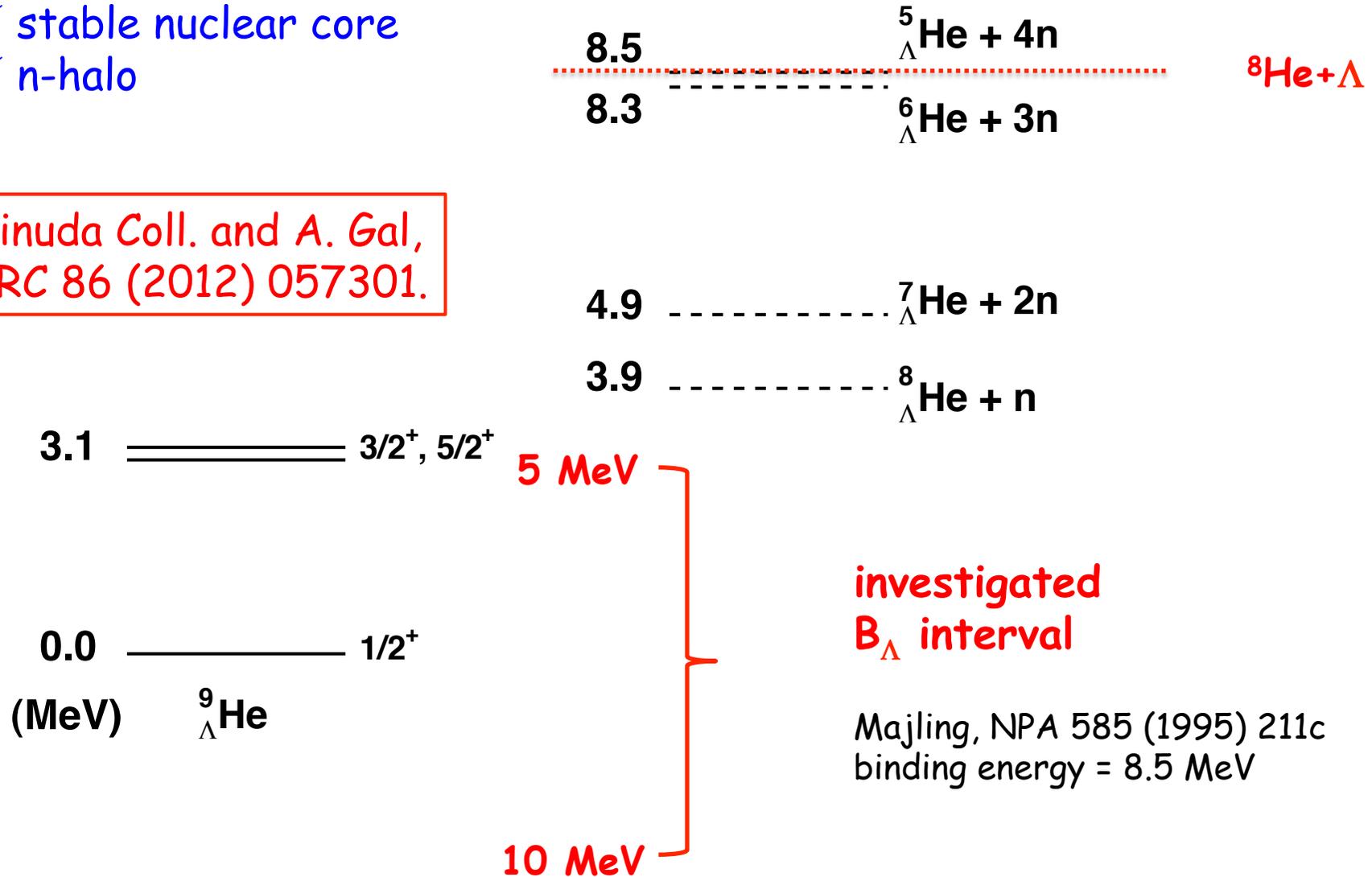
${}^6_{\Lambda}H$ (${}^6\text{Li}$) $d\sigma/d\Omega$: U.L. 1.2 nb/sr 90% C.L.



${}^9_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ search with FINUDA

- ✓ $(N+Y)/Z = 3.5$
- ✓ stable nuclear core
- ✓ n-halo

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PRC 86 (2012) 057301.

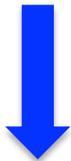


${}^9_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ search with FINUDA



$$M(K^-) + 5 M(n) + 4 M(p) - B({}^9\text{Be}) = M({}^9_{\Lambda}\text{He}) + T({}^9_{\Lambda}\text{He}) + M(\pi^+) + T(\pi^+)$$

$$M({}^9_{\Lambda}\text{He}) = 6 M(n) + 3M(p) - B({}^9\text{Li}) + T({}^9\text{Li}) + M(\pi^-) + T(\pi^-)$$

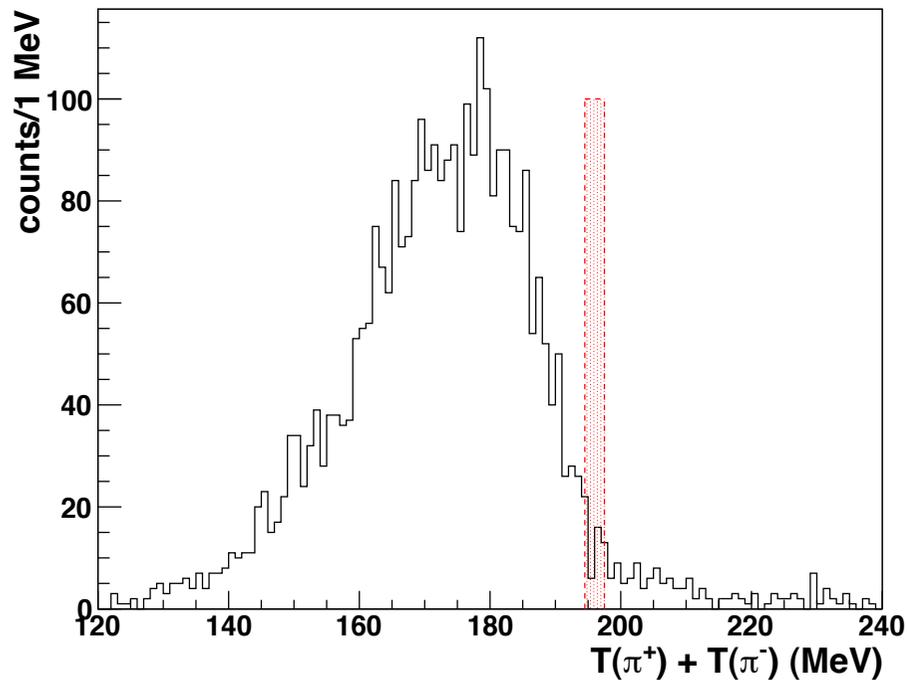


$$\sqrt{M^2({}^9\text{Li}) + p^2(\pi^-)} - M({}^9\text{Li})$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \sqrt{M^2({}^9_{\Lambda}\text{He}) + p^2(\pi^+)} - M({}^9_{\Lambda}\text{He}) \\ M({}^9_{\Lambda}\text{He}) = M({}^8\text{He}) + M(\Lambda) - B(\Lambda) \end{array}$$

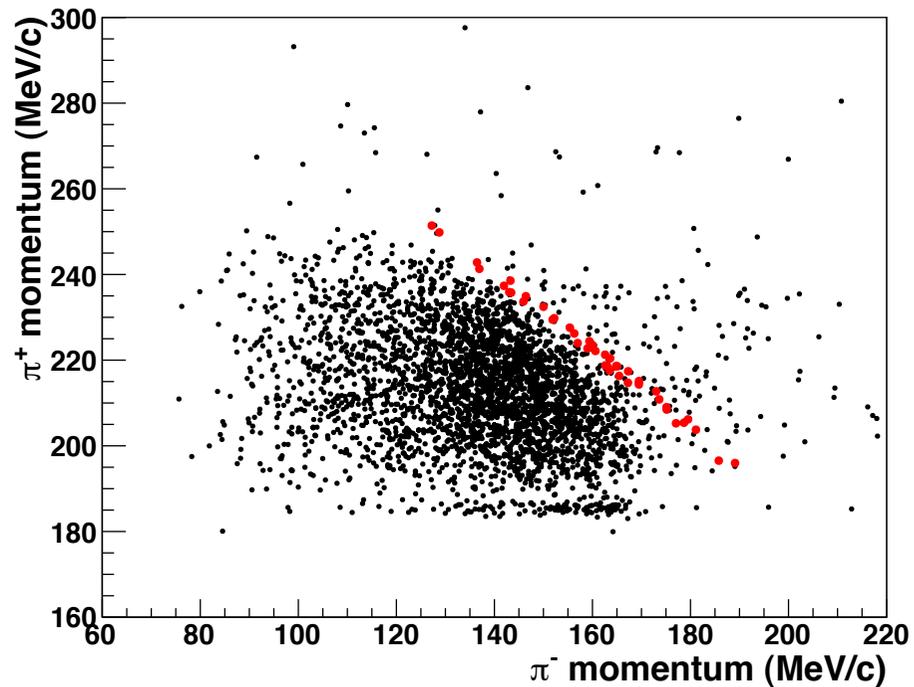
$$\begin{aligned} T(\pi^+) + T(\pi^-) &= \\ &M(K^-) + M(p) - M(n) - B({}^9\text{Be}) + B({}^9\text{Li}) - T({}^9\text{Li}) - T({}^9_{\Lambda}\text{He}) - M(\pi^+) - M(\pi^-) \\ &= \mathbf{195.8 \pm 1.3 \text{ MeV}} \quad (195.8 \div 195.7 \text{ MeV with } B_{\Lambda} = 0 \div 10 \text{ MeV}) \end{aligned}$$

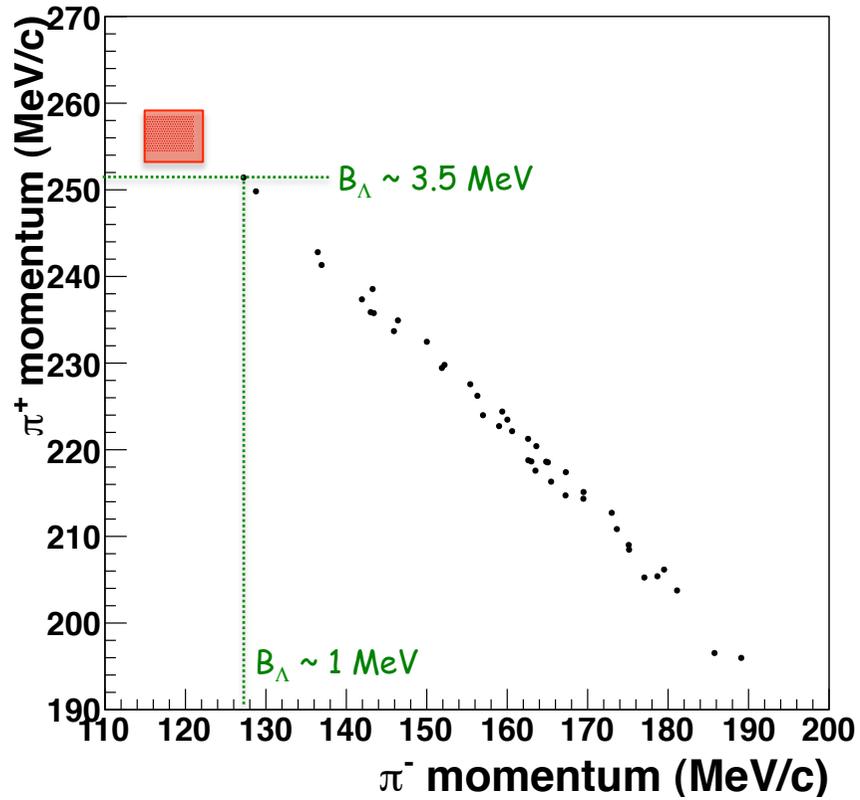
$$\text{cut on } T(\pi^+) + T(\pi^-): 194.5 \div 197.5 \text{ MeV}$$



selection:
 $T(\pi^+) + T(\pi^-) = 194.5 \div 197.5 \text{ MeV}$

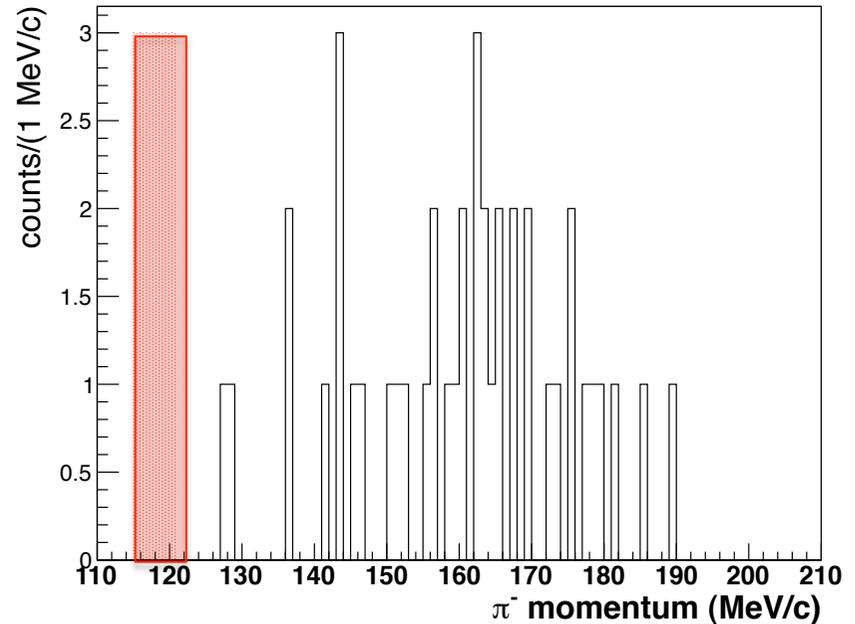
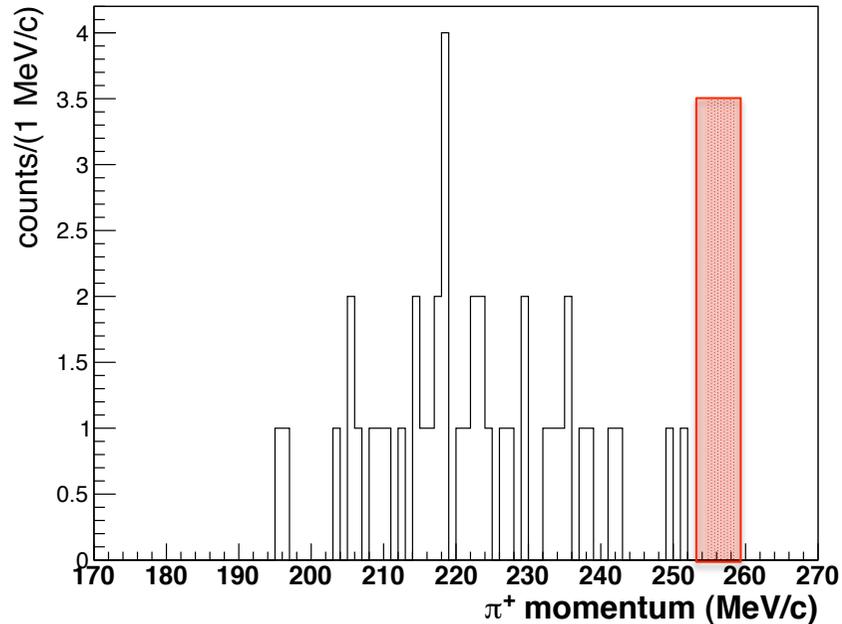
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253.5÷259 MeV/c ($\sigma_p = 1.1$ MeV/c)
 114.5÷122 MeV/c ($\sigma_p = 1.2$ MeV/c)
 $B_\Lambda = 5\div 10$ MeV

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${}^9_{\Lambda}\text{He}/K^-_{\text{stop}}$ production rate

upper limit evaluation

- ✓ 0 observed events
- ✓ $\varepsilon(\pi^-)$, $\varepsilon(\pi^+)$
- ✓ n. K^-_{stop} on ${}^9\text{Be}$ ($2.5 \cdot 10^7$ K^-_{stop} events)

$$R * \text{BR}(\pi^-) < (2.3 \pm 1.9) \cdot 10^{-6} / (\text{n. } K^-_{\text{stop}} \text{ on } {}^9\text{Be}) \text{ (90\% C.L.)}$$

$$\Gamma({}^9_{\Lambda}\text{He}_{\text{gs}} \rightarrow {}^9\text{Li}_{\text{gs}} + \pi^-) = 0.261 \Gamma_{\Lambda}$$

from A. Gal, Nucl. Phys. A 828, 72 (2009)

$$R < 1.6 \cdot 10^{-5} / (\text{n. } K^-_{\text{stop}} \text{ on } {}^9\text{Be}) \text{ (90\% C.L.)}$$

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K.Kubota et al, NPA 602 (1996) 327.

${}^9_{\Lambda}\text{He}({}^9\text{Be}) \text{ U.L.} = 2.3 \cdot 10^{-4} / K^-_{\text{stop}}$

... coincidence method limits

target	hypernucleus	2-b MWD daughter nucleus	lifetime	MWD 'model'	MWD 'model' BR(π^-) $R \cdot BR(\pi^-)$
${}^6\text{Li}$	${}^6_{\Lambda}\text{H}$	${}^6\text{He}$	801 ms	${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$	0.49 <small>H. Tamura, et al., PRC 40 (1989) R479</small>
${}^7\text{Li}$	${}^7_{\Lambda}\text{H}$	${}^7\text{He}$	unstable	${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$	0.49 <small>H. Tamura, et al., PRC 40 (1989) R479</small>
${}^9\text{Be}$	${}^9_{\Lambda}\text{He}$	${}^9\text{Li}$	178 ms	${}^9_{\Lambda}\text{He}$	0.261 <small>A. Gal, Nucl. Phys. A 828, 72 (2009)</small>
${}^{12}\text{C}$	${}^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{Be}$	${}^{12}\text{B}$	20 ms	${}^9_{\Lambda}\text{Be}$	0.154 <small>FINUDA PLB 681 (2009) 139</small>
${}^{13}\text{C}$	${}^{13}_{\Lambda}\text{Be}$	${}^{13}\text{B}$	17.3 ms	${}^9_{\Lambda}\text{Be}$	0.154 <small>FINUDA PLB 681 (2009) 139</small>
${}^{16}\text{O}$	${}^{16}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$	${}^{16}\text{N}$	7.13 s	${}^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$	0.099 <small>Y.Sato et al., PRC 71 (2005) 025203</small>

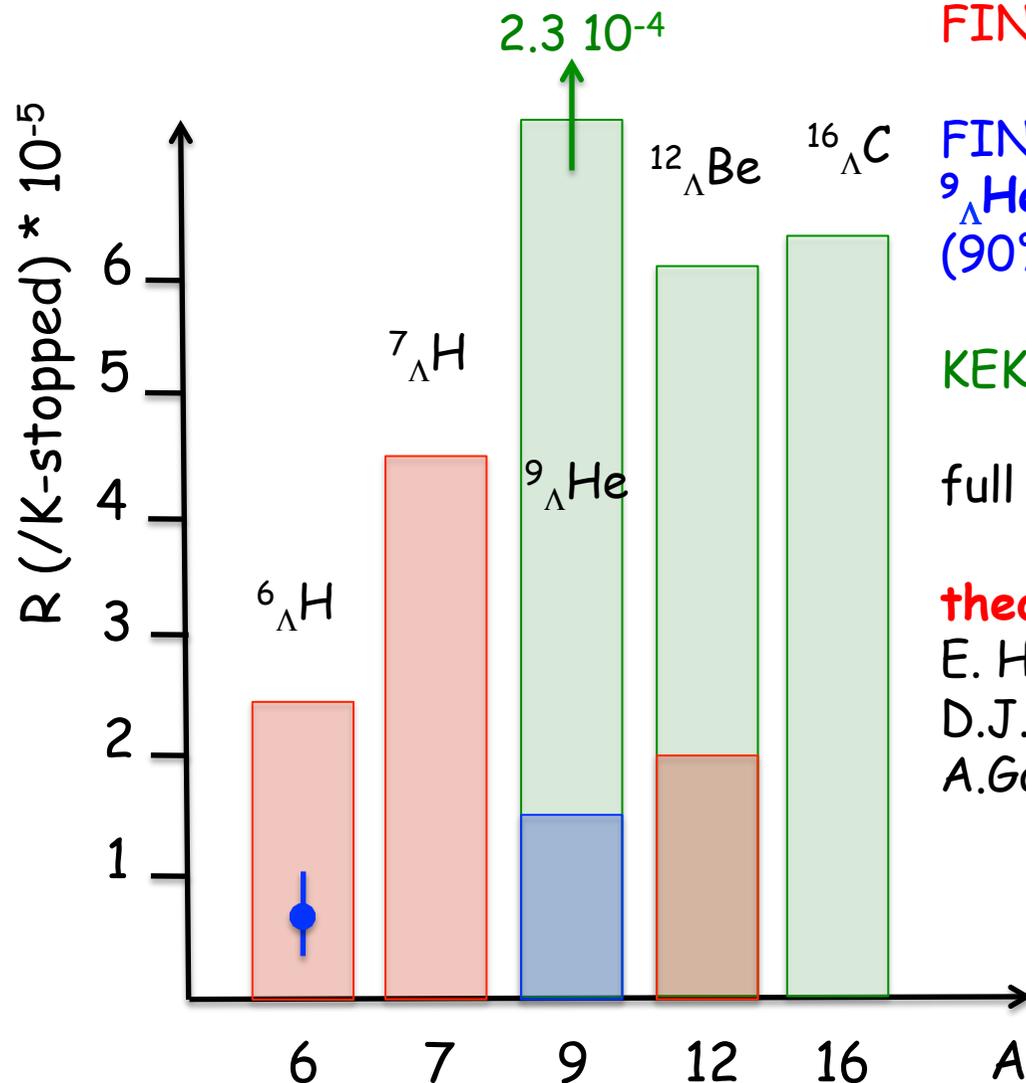
production and decay from the same energy level

2-body processes production&decay

decreasing MWD BR



Overview of n-rich (K^-_{stop}, π^+) production rate vs A



FINUDA: inclusive spectra

FINUDA: coincidence

${}^9_{\Lambda}\text{He}$: $R < 1.6 \times 10^{-5}$ / (n. K^-_{stop} on ${}^9\text{Be}$)
(90% C.L.), PRC 86 (2012) 057301

KEK K.Kubota et al, NPA 602 (1996) 327

full bars: U.L., 90% C.L.

theoretical interest for ${}^6_{\Lambda}\text{H}$

E. Hiyama et al., NPA 908 (2013) 29

D.J. Millener, NPA 881 (2012) 298

A.Gal, D.J.Millener, PLB 725 (2013) 445

... inheritance

- very thin targets ($0.1 \div 0.3 \text{ g/cm}^2$): transparency \rightarrow "high" resolution spectroscopy
- different targets in the same run \rightarrow high degree of flexibility
- coincidence measurement with large acceptance \rightarrow decay mode study
- simultaneous tracking of μ^+ from the K^+ decay \rightarrow energy and rate calibration
- systematic study of p-shell nuclei

Spectroscopy

Decay: MWD & NMWD

n-rich hypernuclei

- low statistics
- lifetime measurement
- (K^+ , $\pi^+\pi^-$) method

indications for new, high statistics measurements with "complete" apparatuses