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# Strangeness production in tritium by electron scattering

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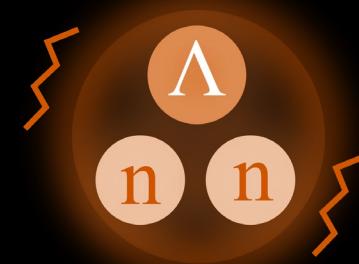


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*Counting room at JLab Hall A (2018)*

- ✓ HRS-HRS @ Hall A
- ✓ Tritium target
- ✓  $(e, e' K^+)$
- ✓ Oct—Nov 2018



## The cross-section measurement for the ${}^3\text{H}(e, e' K^+)nn\Lambda$ reaction $\oplus$

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Letter

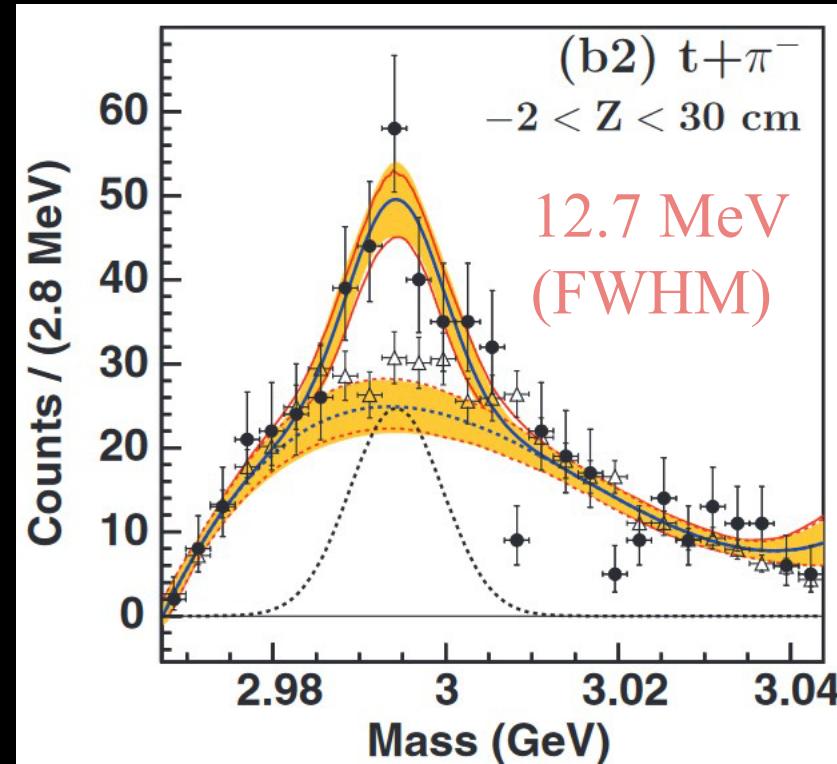
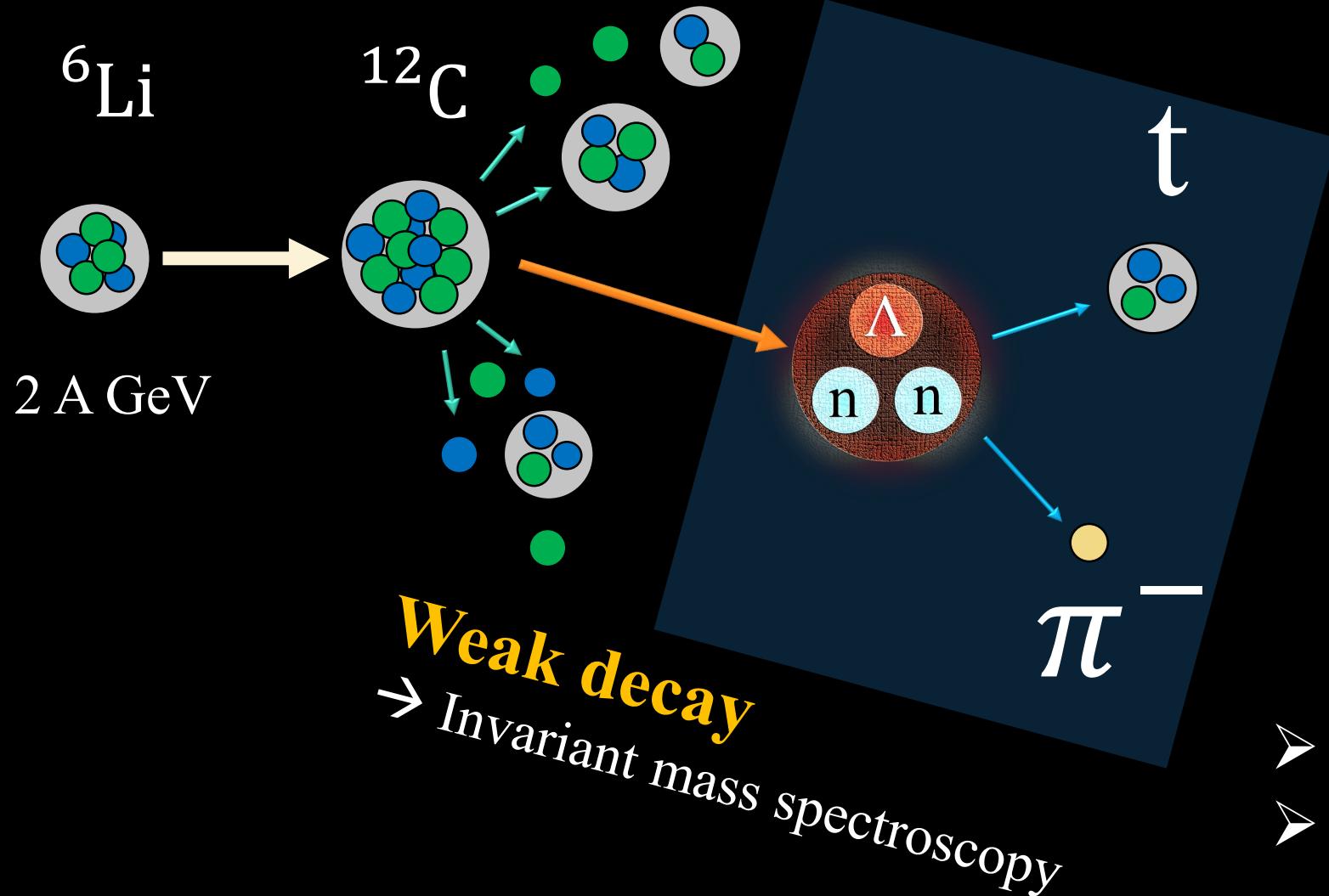
Spectroscopic study of a possible  $\Lambda nn$  resonance and a pair of  $\Sigma NN$  states using the  $(e, e' K^+)$  reaction with a tritium target

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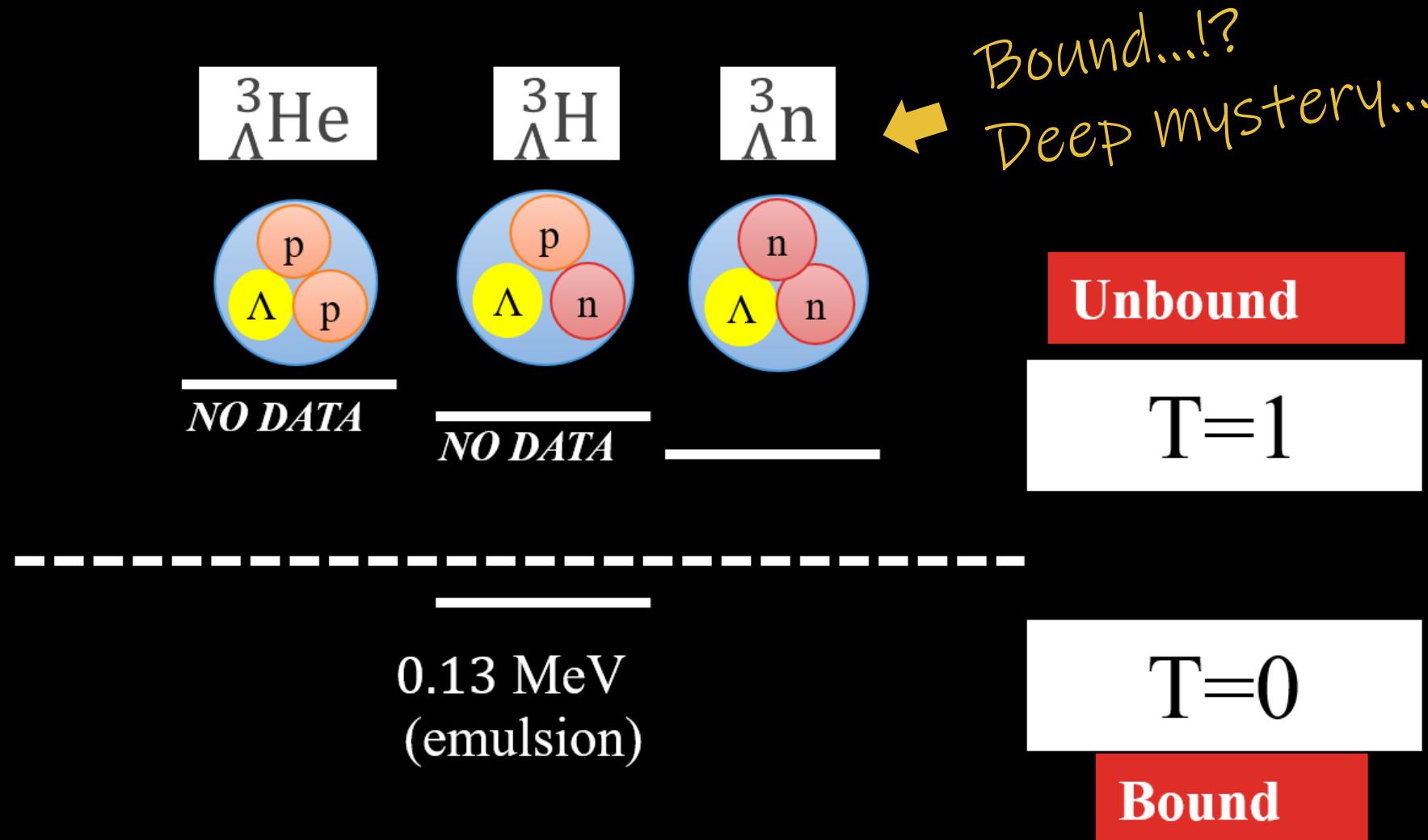
# nn $\Lambda$ ( $^3_{\Lambda}n$ ) measurement at GSI

C. Rappold et al., PRC 88, 041001(R) (2013)



- $\tau = 190^{+47}_{-35} \text{ ps}$
- $B_\Lambda = -0.5 \pm 1.1 \pm 2.2 \text{ MeV}$

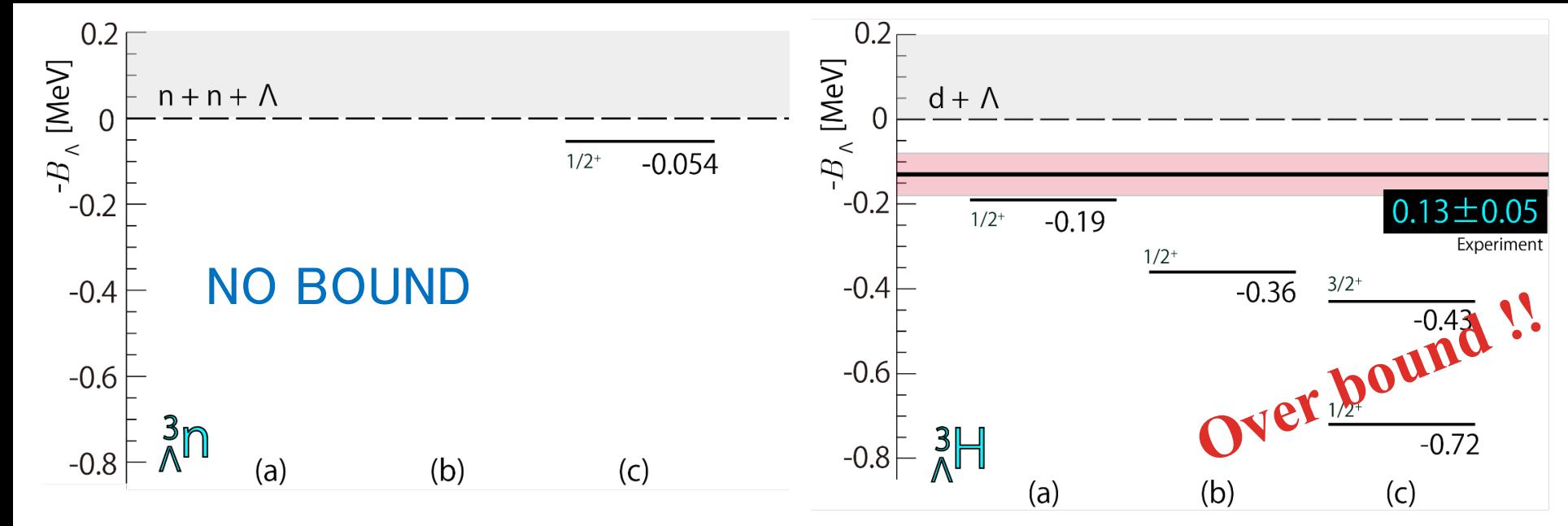
# Three-body system with $\Lambda$



# Can the $nn\Lambda$ be bound?

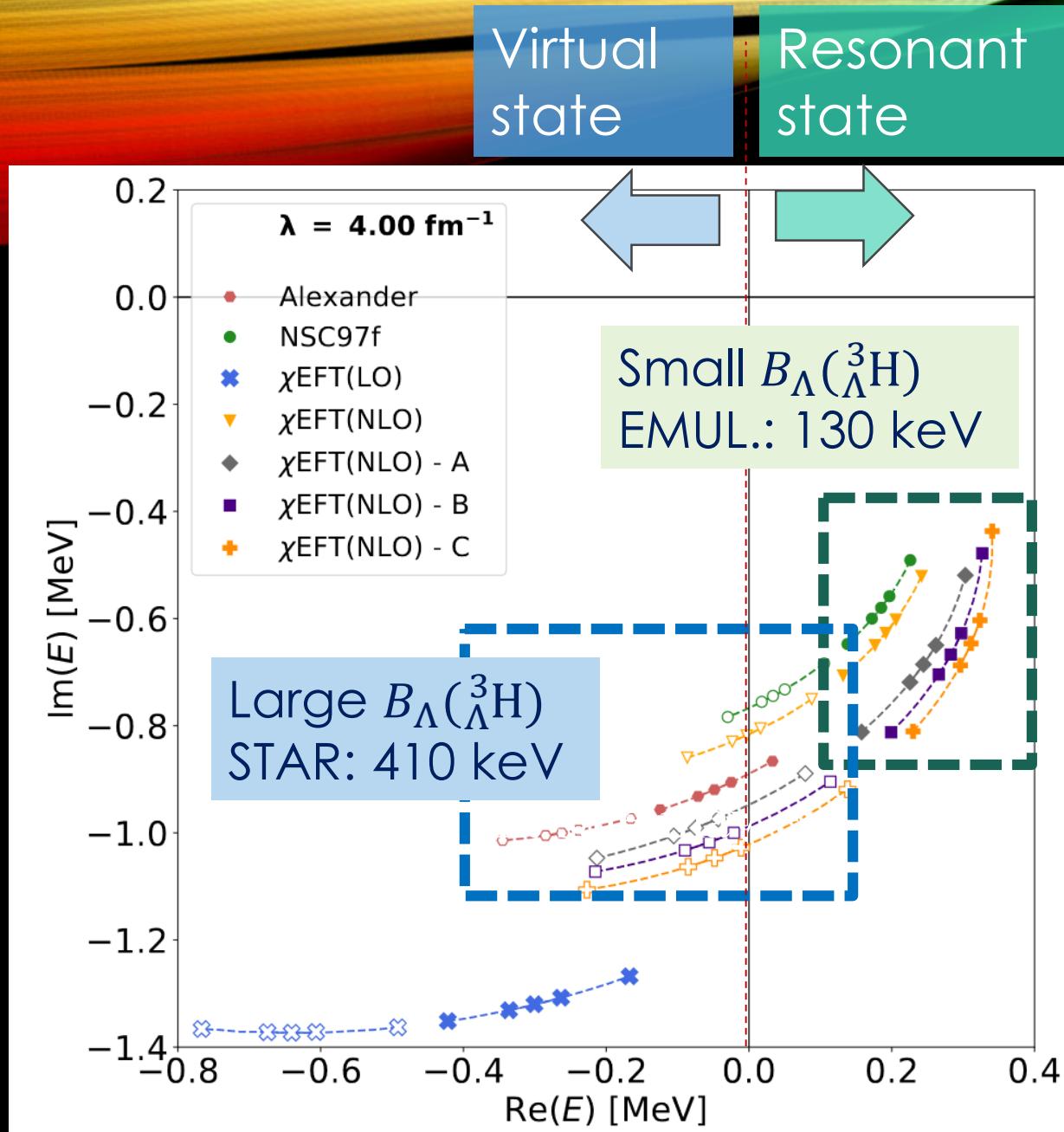
E. Hiyama, S. Ohnishi, B.F. Gibson, and Th. A. Rijken, Physical Review C 89, 061302(R) (2014).

AV8  $NN$  + NSC97f  $YN$  potentials

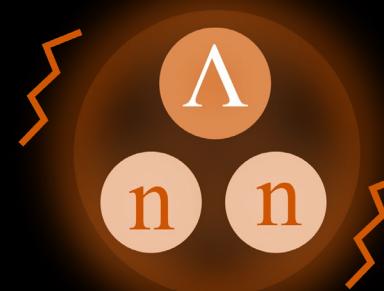


- (a)  ${}^3V_{\Lambda N-\Sigma N}^T \times 1.0$
- (b)  ${}^3V_{\Lambda N-\Sigma N}^T \times 1.1$
- (c)  ${}^3V_{\Lambda N-\Sigma N}^T \times 1.2$

Tensor component of the  $\Lambda N$ - $\Sigma N$  coupling was varied.  
**→ No solution was found** to make the  $nn\Lambda$  bound  
 maintaining the consistency with the  ${}^3H$  ( ${}^4H$ ,  ${}^4He$ ) data.



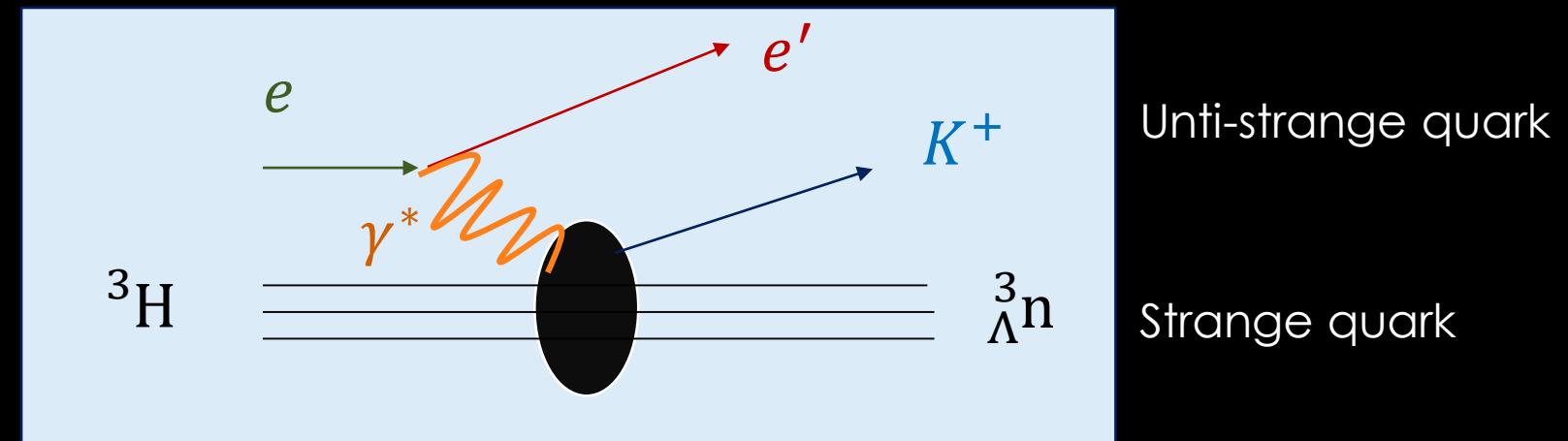
## Resonant nn $\Lambda$ state



nn $\Lambda$

- ✓ Resonant state may exist
- ✓ Energy + width  $\rightarrow$  n $\Lambda$  Interaction
- ✓ Strongly related to  $B_\Lambda(^3\text{H})$   
 $\rightarrow$  E12-19-002 (HKS)

# (e,e'K<sup>+</sup>) reaction spectroscopy



Missing-mass measurement at JLab

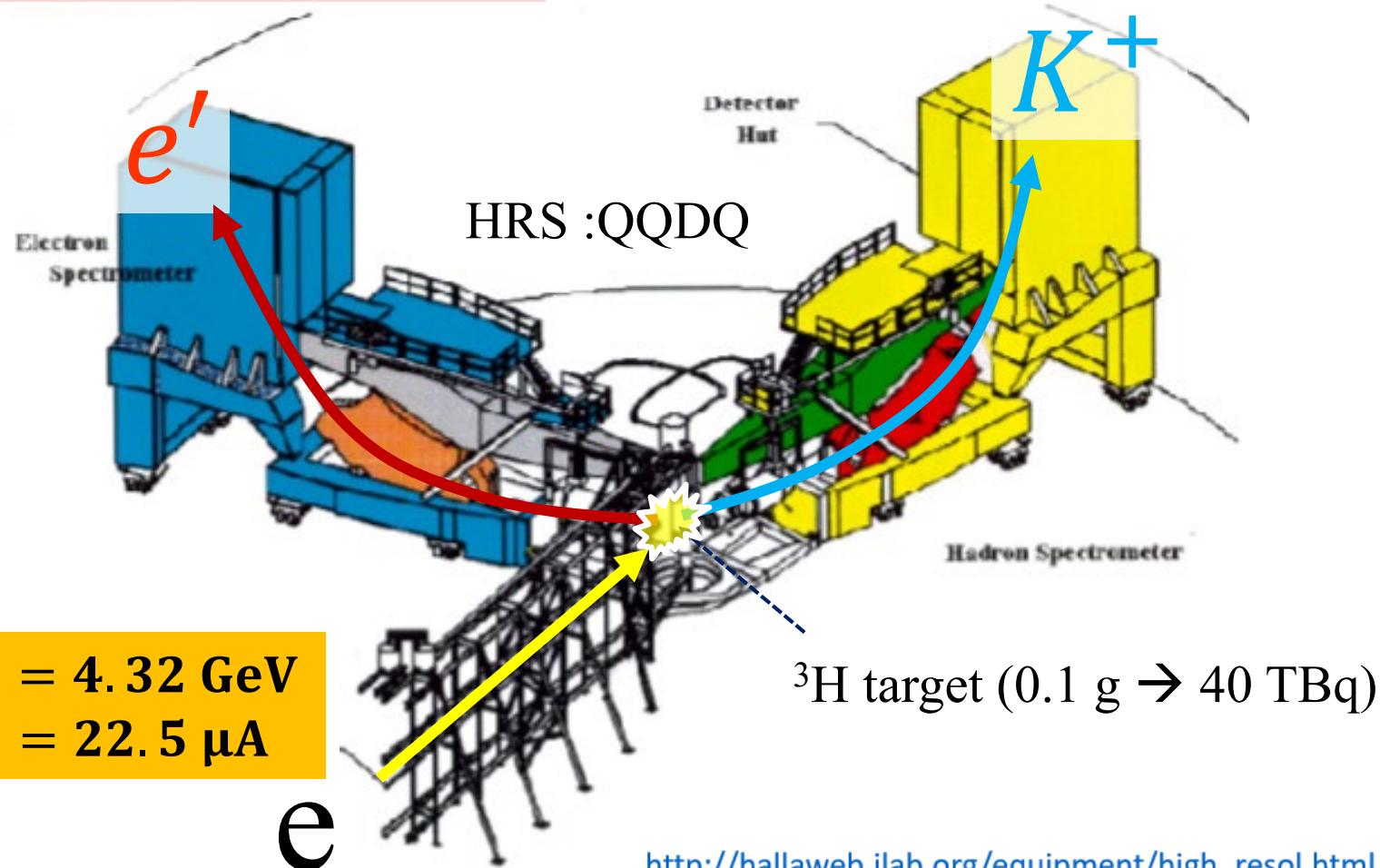
→ Sensitive to both **bound** and **resonant** states !!

c.f.) Invariant mass spectroscopy is sensitive to *only* bound state

# Experimental setup at Hall A

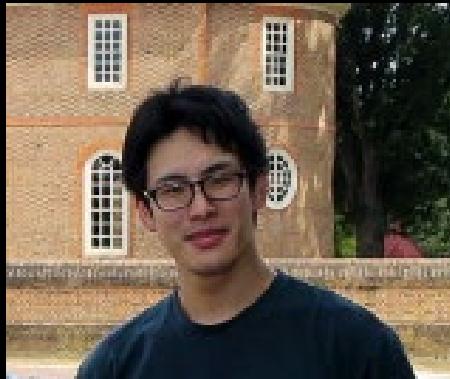
$$p_{e'} = 2.22 \text{ GeV}/c \pm 4.5\%$$
$$\theta_{ee'} = 13.2^\circ$$

$$p_K = 1.82 \text{ GeV}/c \pm 4.5\%$$
$$\theta_{eK} = 13.2^\circ$$



# ANALYSES

Analyses by Ph.D. Students  
→ 3 out of 5 earned Ph.D.



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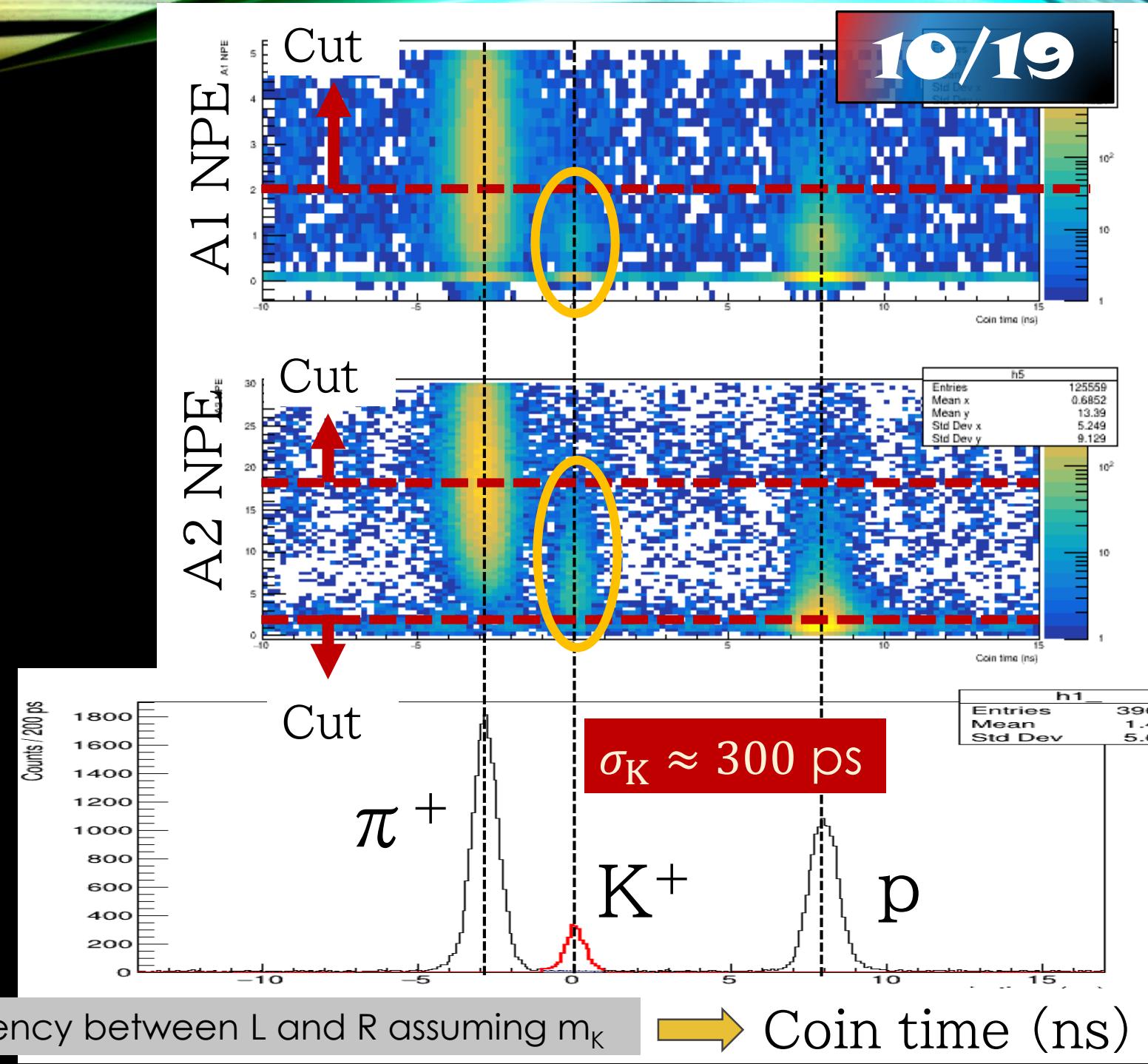
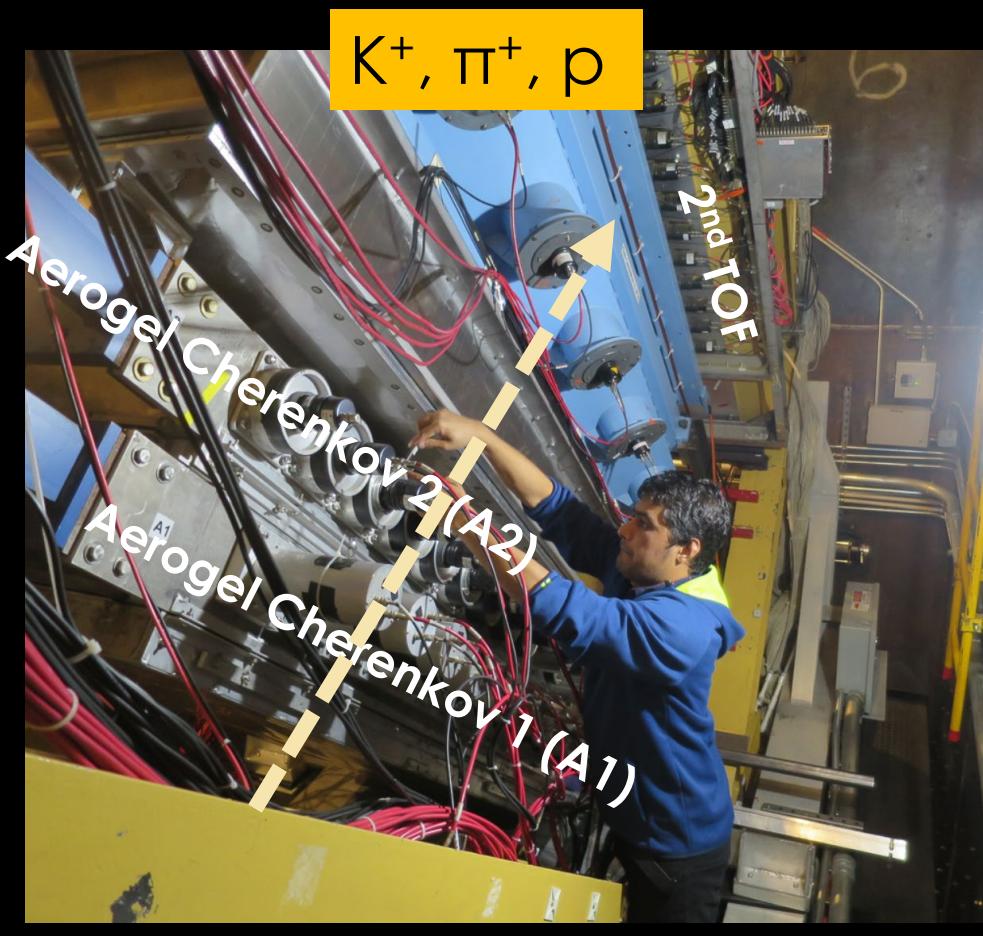


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# $K^+$ identification



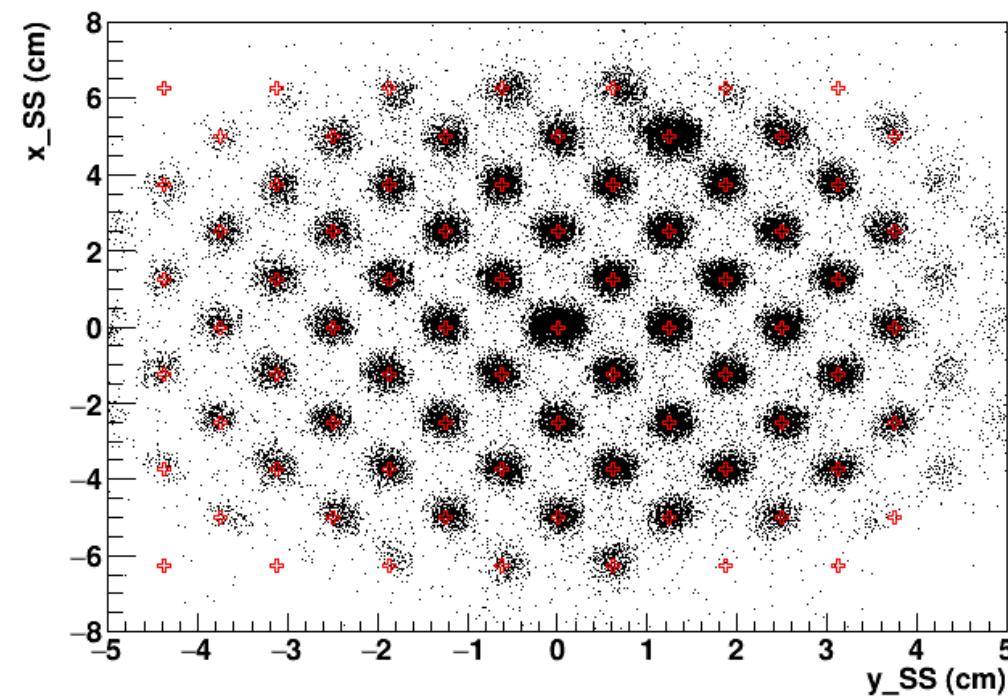
Timing consistency between L and R assuming  $m_K$

→ Coin time (ns)

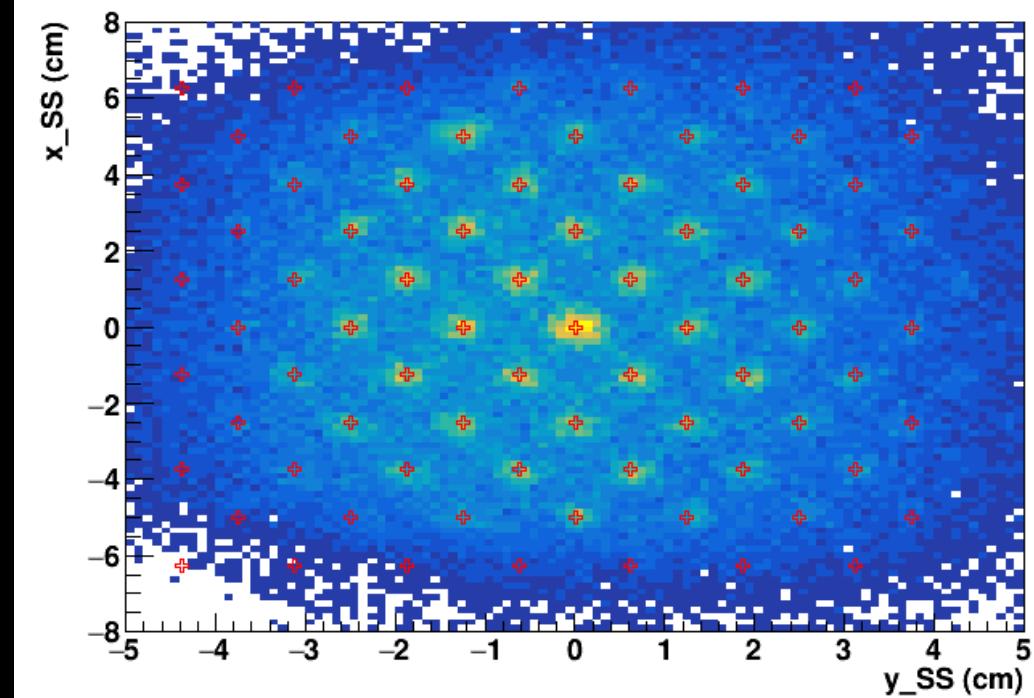
# Angle calibration by using sieve slits

The 4<sup>th</sup> order polynomial

Sieve slit pattern (LHRS)

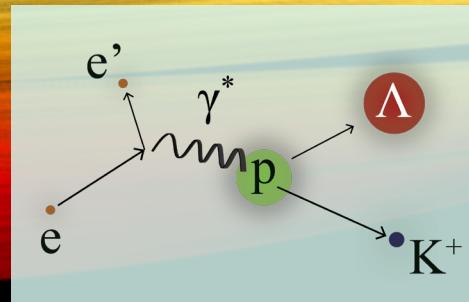


Sieve slit pattern (RHRs)



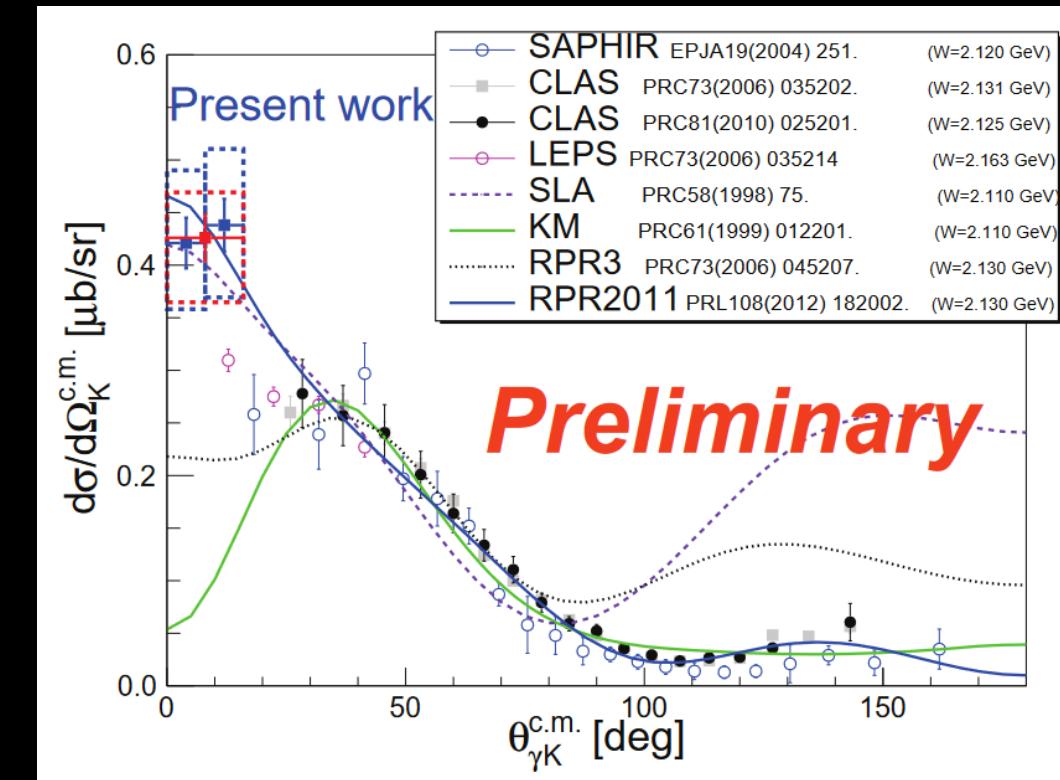
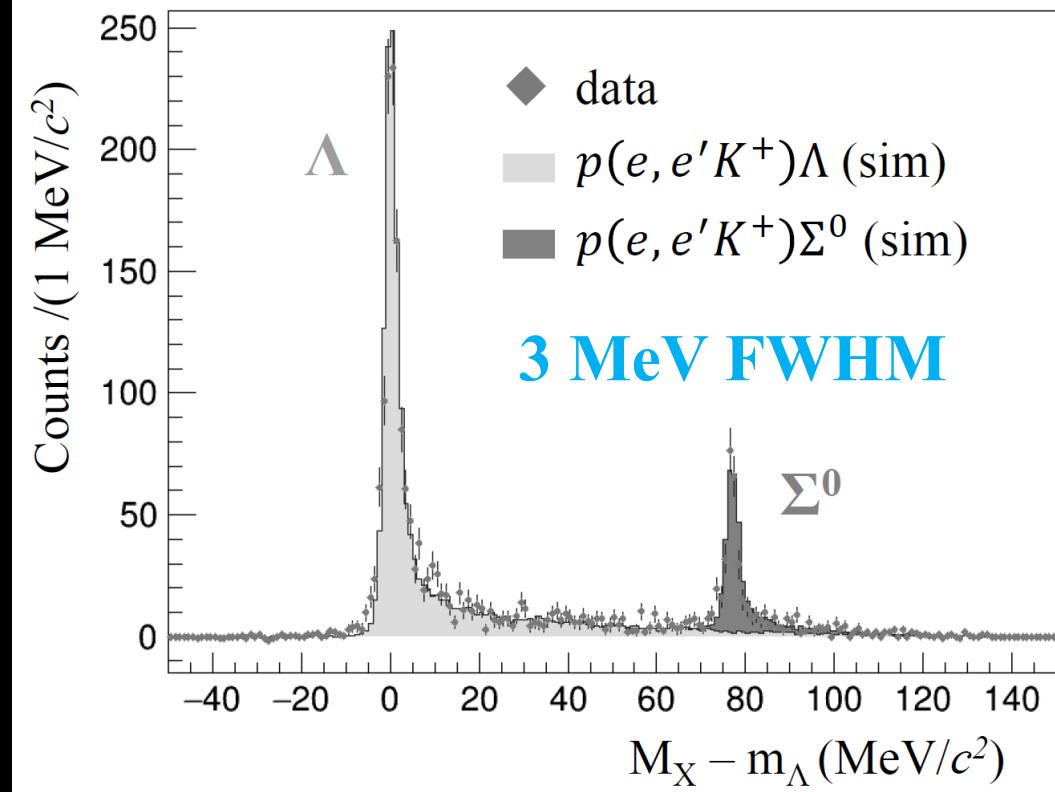
$e'$

Hadrons

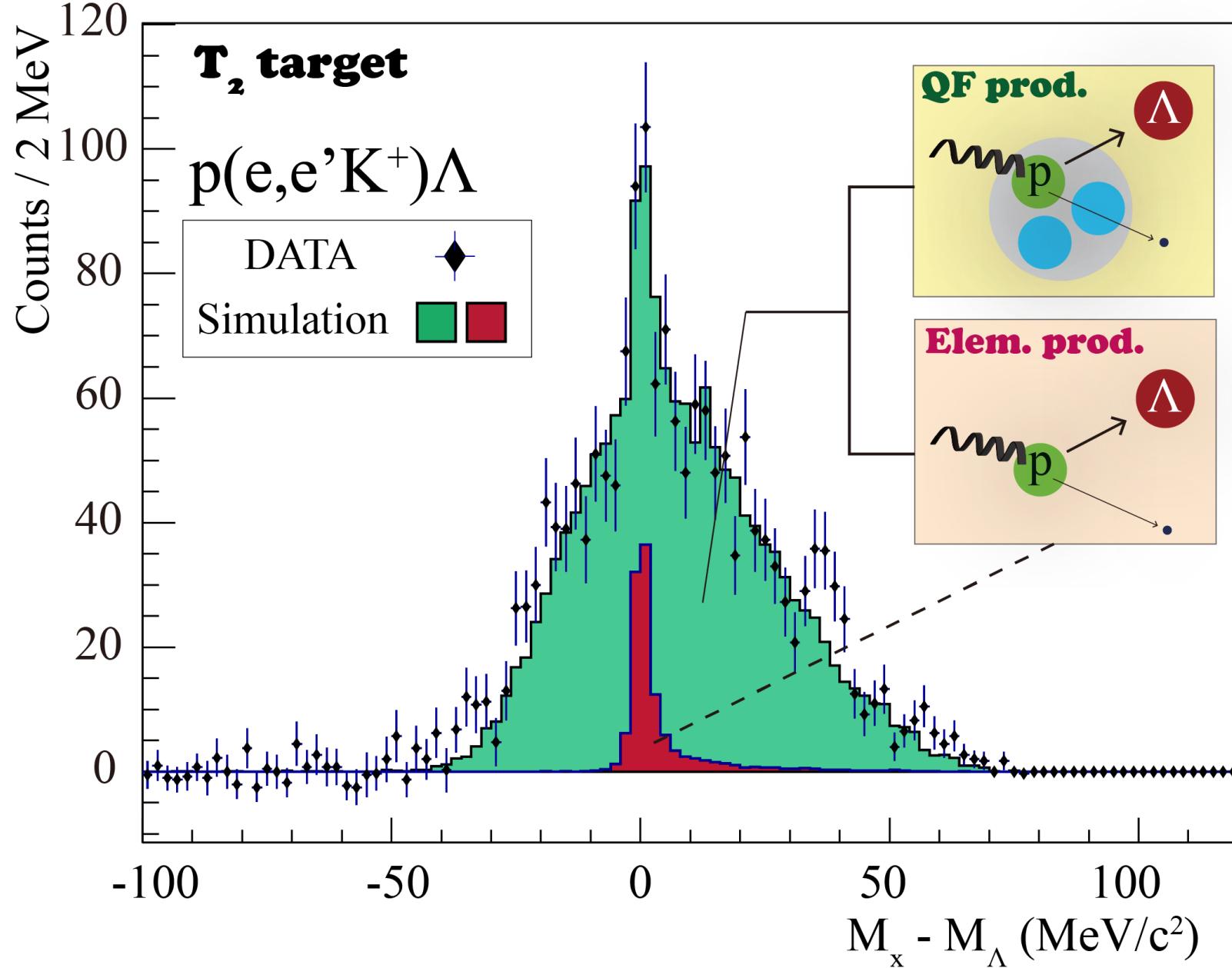


# Energy calibration by $\Lambda$ and $\Sigma$

K. Okuyama et al., EPJ Web. Conf. 271, 02003 (2022)



- Calibration with well known masses
- Geant4 simulation is consistent with data

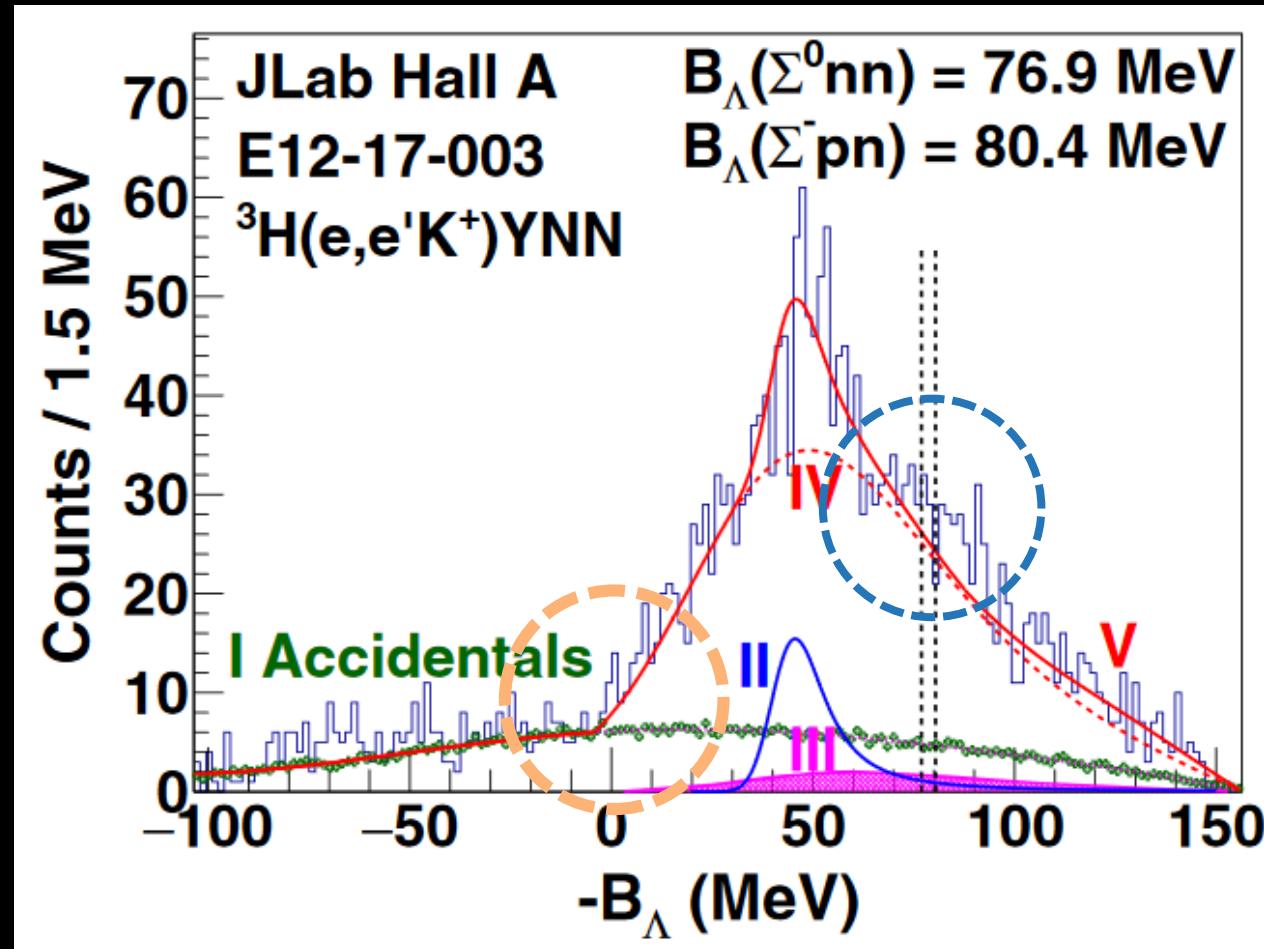


H<sub>2</sub> in T<sub>2</sub> target

A few % of H<sub>2</sub> compared to T<sub>2</sub>

# Significance study from count-base spectrum

B. Pandey et al., Phys. Rev. C 105, L051001 (2022)



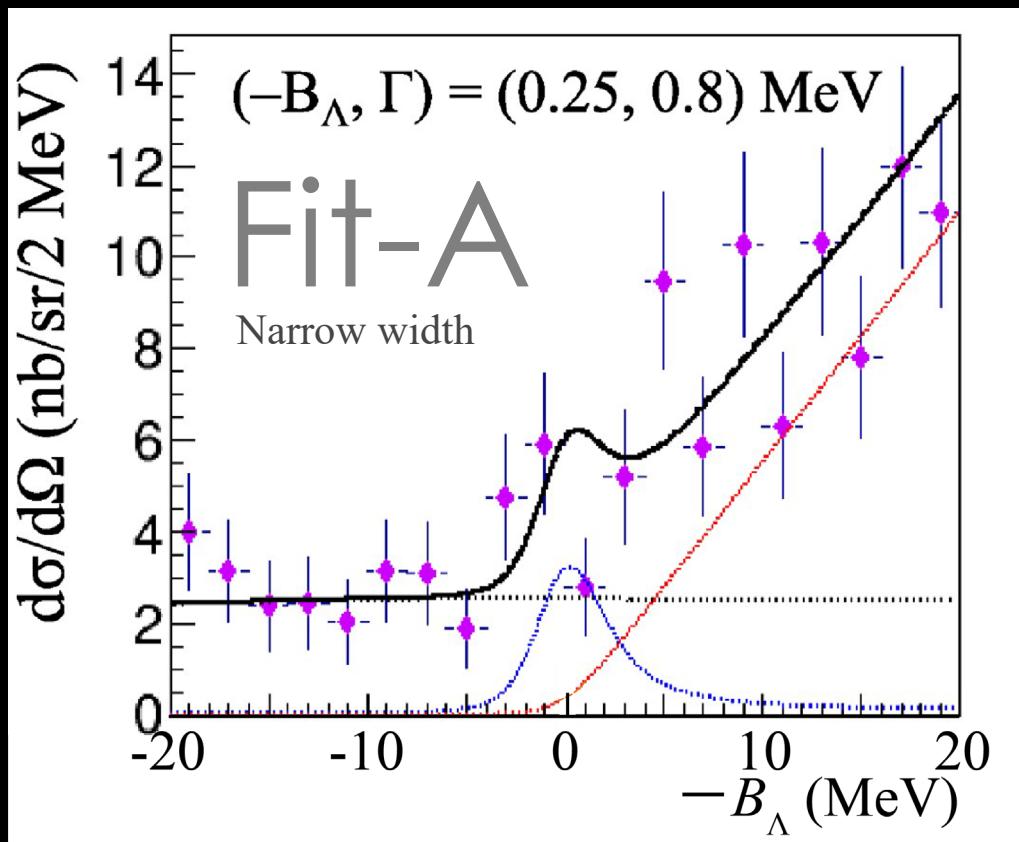
Binding energy:  
$$B_\Lambda = (2M_n + M_\Lambda) - M_x$$

No significant peaks: YNN  
But, there is excess.

- K.N. Suzuki et al., [PTEP 2022, 1, 013D01 \(2022\)](#)
- TG et al., [WPJ Web Conf. 271, 02002 \(2022\)](#)

# Cross section

Fit by unbinned max. likelihood



Fit	A	B
YN Int.	Nijmegen89 <sup>(*1)</sup>	Minnesota <sup>(*2)</sup>
$-B_\Lambda, \Gamma$ (/ MeV)	0.25, 0.8	0.55, 4.7
$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_K}\right)$ [/(nb/sr)]	<b>11.2</b> $\pm 4.8 \text{ (stat.)} {}^{+4.1}_{-2.1} \text{ (sys.)}$	<b>18.1</b> $\pm 6.8 \text{ (stat.)} {}^{+4.2}_{-2.9} \text{ (sys.)}$
Significance (stat. only)	2.3	2.7

(\*1) H. Kamada, K. Miyagawa, and M. Yamaguchi, EPJ Web Conf. 113, 07004 (2016).

(\*2) V. B. Belyaev, S. A. Rakityansky, and W. Sandhas, Nucl. Phys. A 803, 210–226 (2008).

# Final state interaction ( $\Lambda$ n int.)

K. Itabashi et al., [WPJ Web Conf. 271, 02006 \(2022\)](#)

QF distribution analysis  
→  $\Lambda$ -n interaction

Influence factor due to FSI

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{\text{FSI}} = I(\vec{k}_{\Lambda n}) \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{\text{w/oFSI}}$$

- $I(k)$  depends on
- scattering length
  - effective range

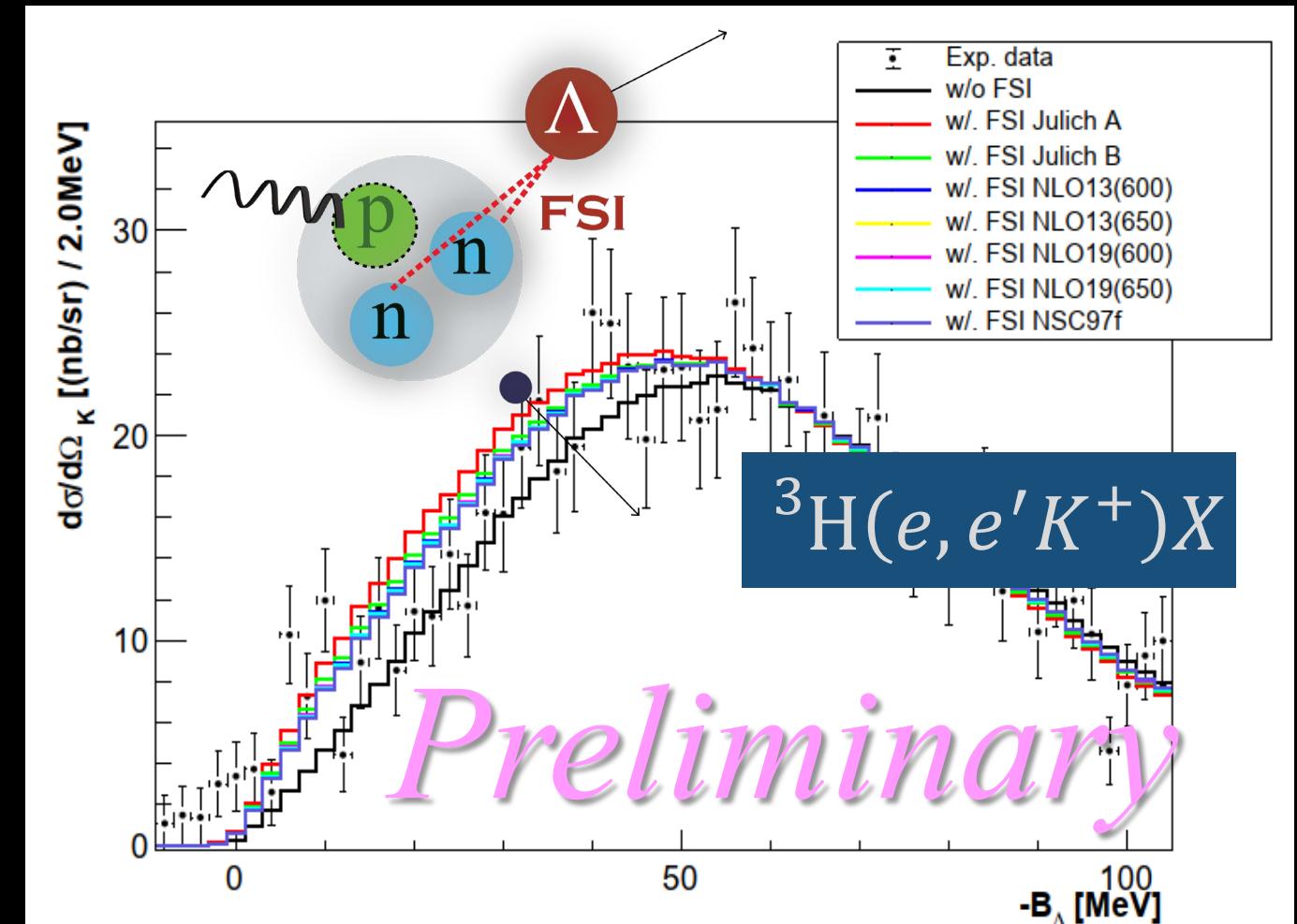
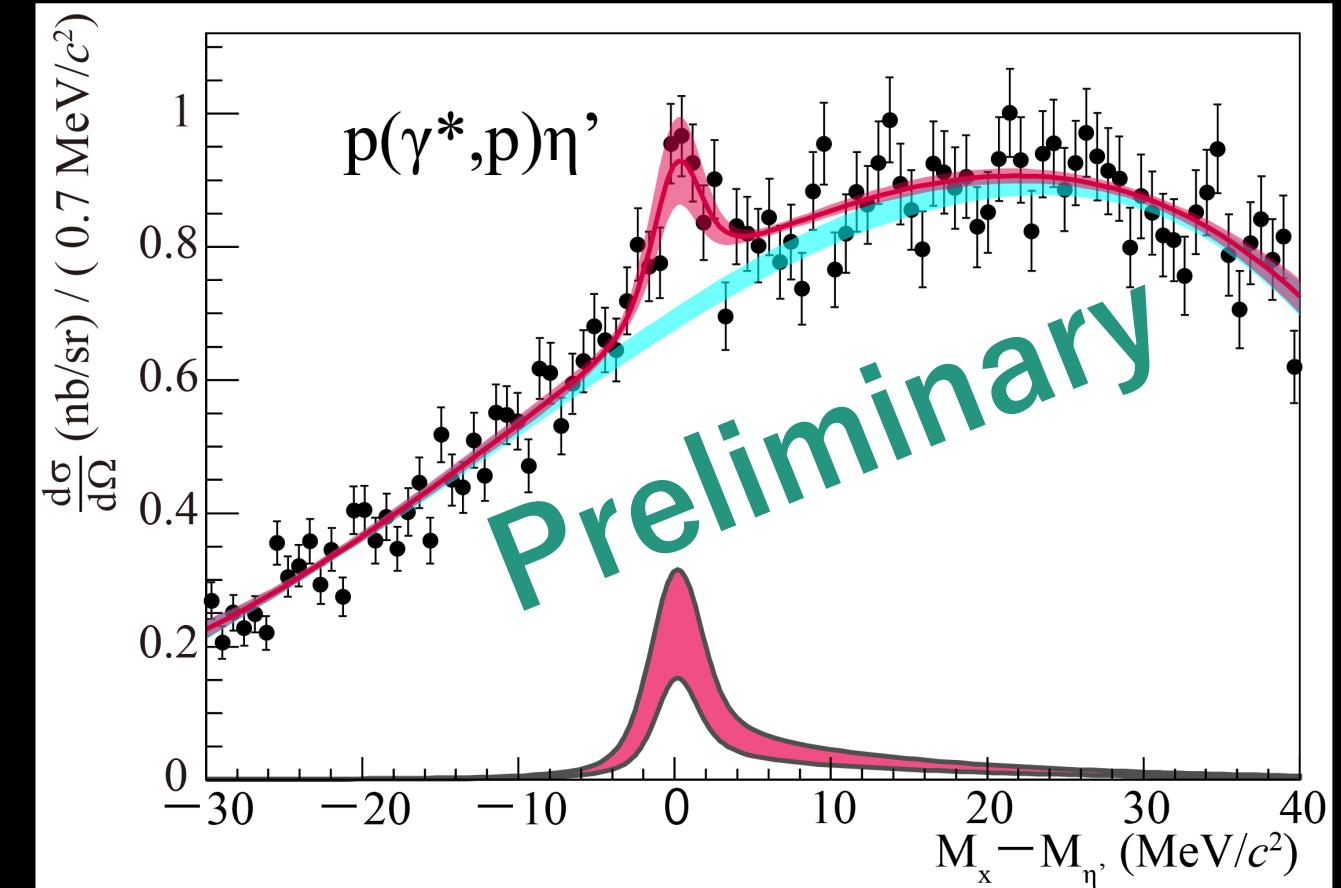
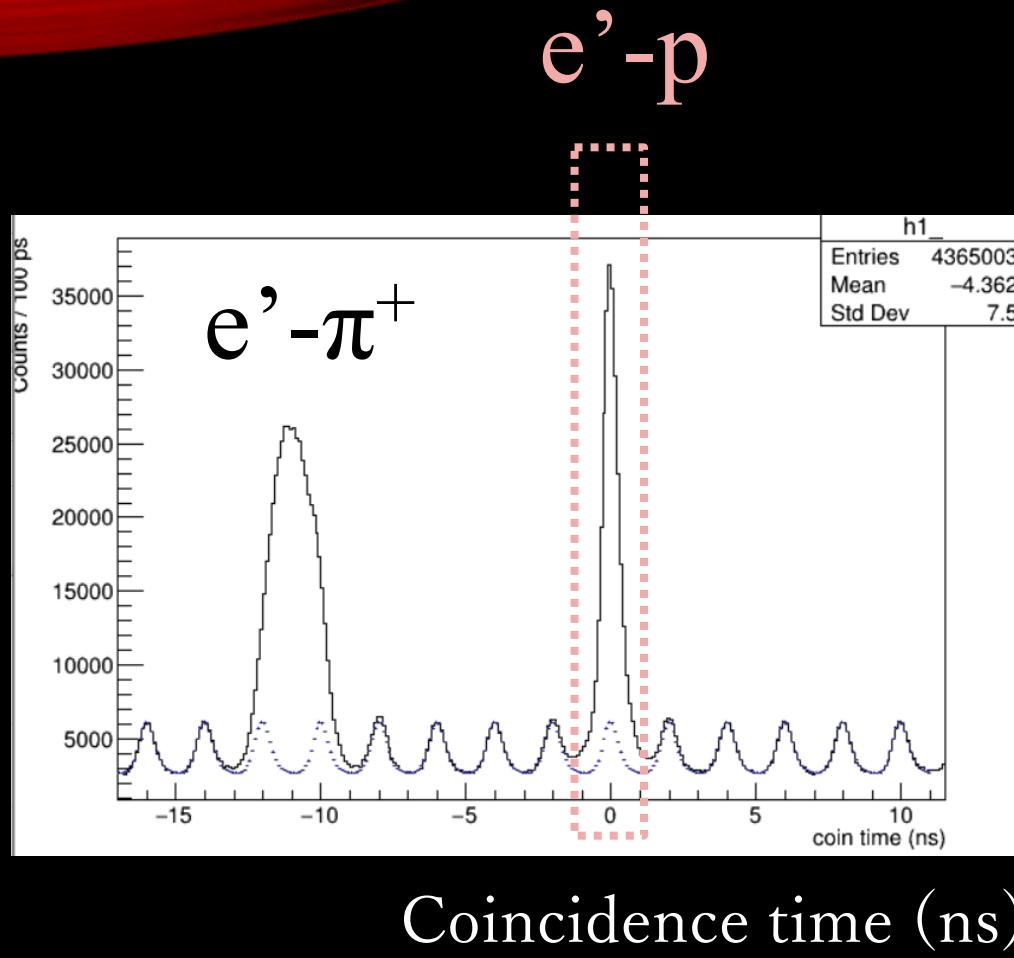


Figure from K. Itabashi (KEK)

# $p(\gamma^*, p)\eta'$ reaction cross section

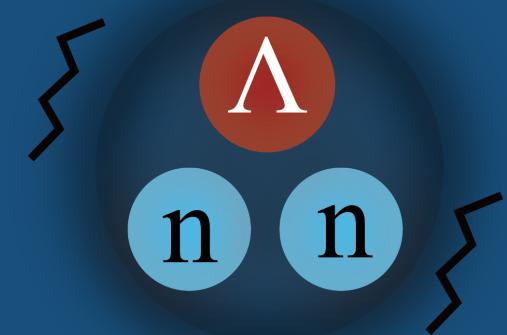


This channel is being analyzed by T. Akiyama (Tohoku Univ.)

# SUMMARY

## nn $\Lambda$ search experiment (E12-17-003, 2018)

- The existence of nn $\Lambda$  bound state is a deep mystery
- Resonant state may exist (theory)
- $^3\text{H}(\text{e},\text{e}'\text{K}^+)\text{nn}\Lambda$  @ Hall A
  - Sensitive to both bound and resonant states → **very unique**



## Results and on-going analyses

1. nn $\Lambda$ ; *no prominent peak was observed. But, there is excess from background.*
  1. Production cross section [K.N. Suzuki et al., [PTEP 2022, 1, 013D01 \(2022\)](#)]
  2. Peak search with a count-base spectrum [B. Pandey et al., [Phys. Rev. C 105, L051001 \(2022\)](#)]
  3. n $\Lambda$  FSI from the QF shape [K. Itabashi et al., [WPJ Web Conf. 271, 02006 \(2022\)](#)]
2. Others
  1.  $\Lambda / \Sigma^0$  electro-production [K. Okuyama et al., [EPJ Web. Conf. 271, 02003 \(2022\)](#)]
  2.  $\eta'$  electro-production [[link to hypnucl. collab. meeting 2022](#)]



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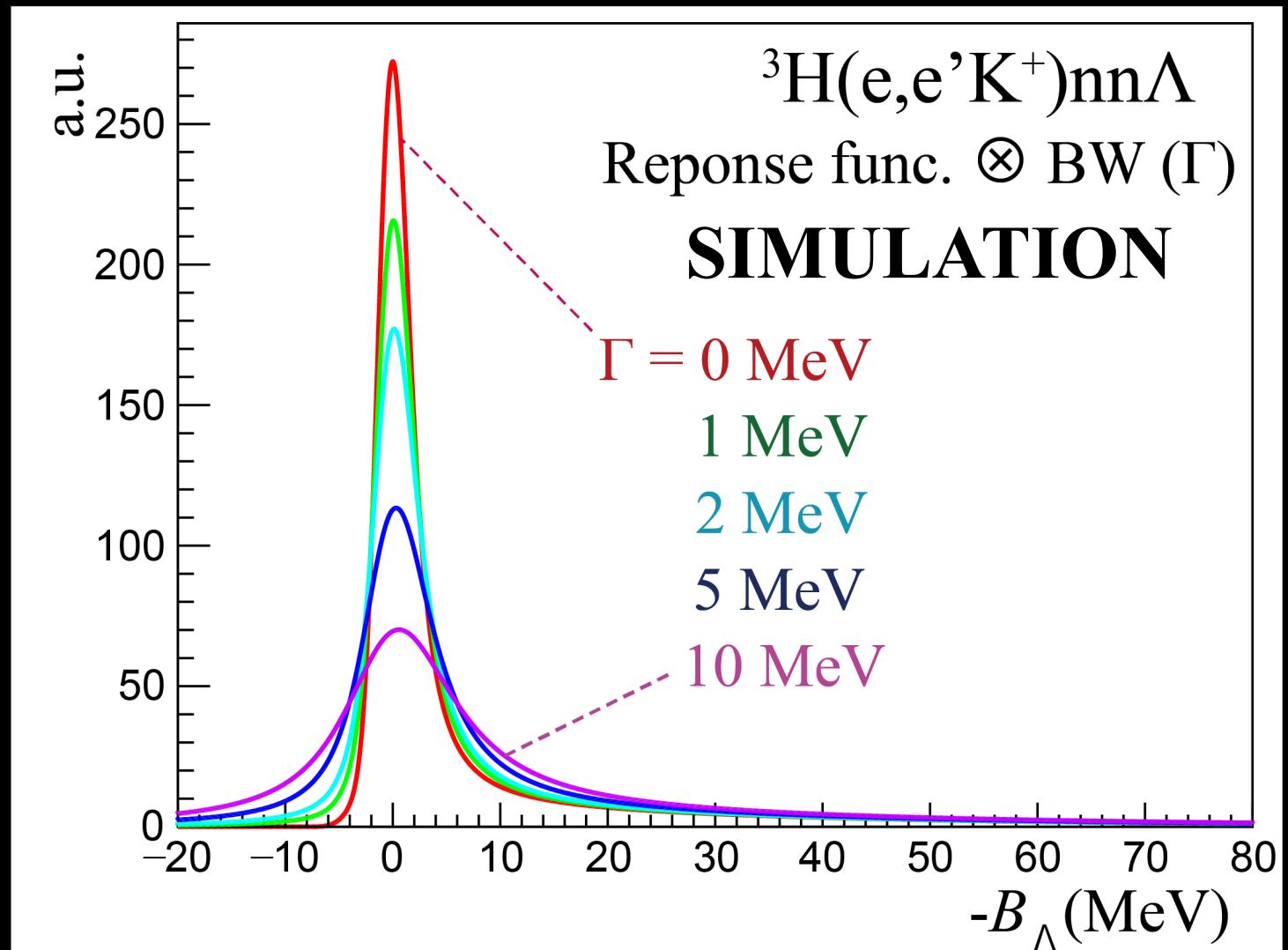
**Hypernuclear workshop 2023** on March 3<sup>rd</sup> @JLab  
← will be announced soon



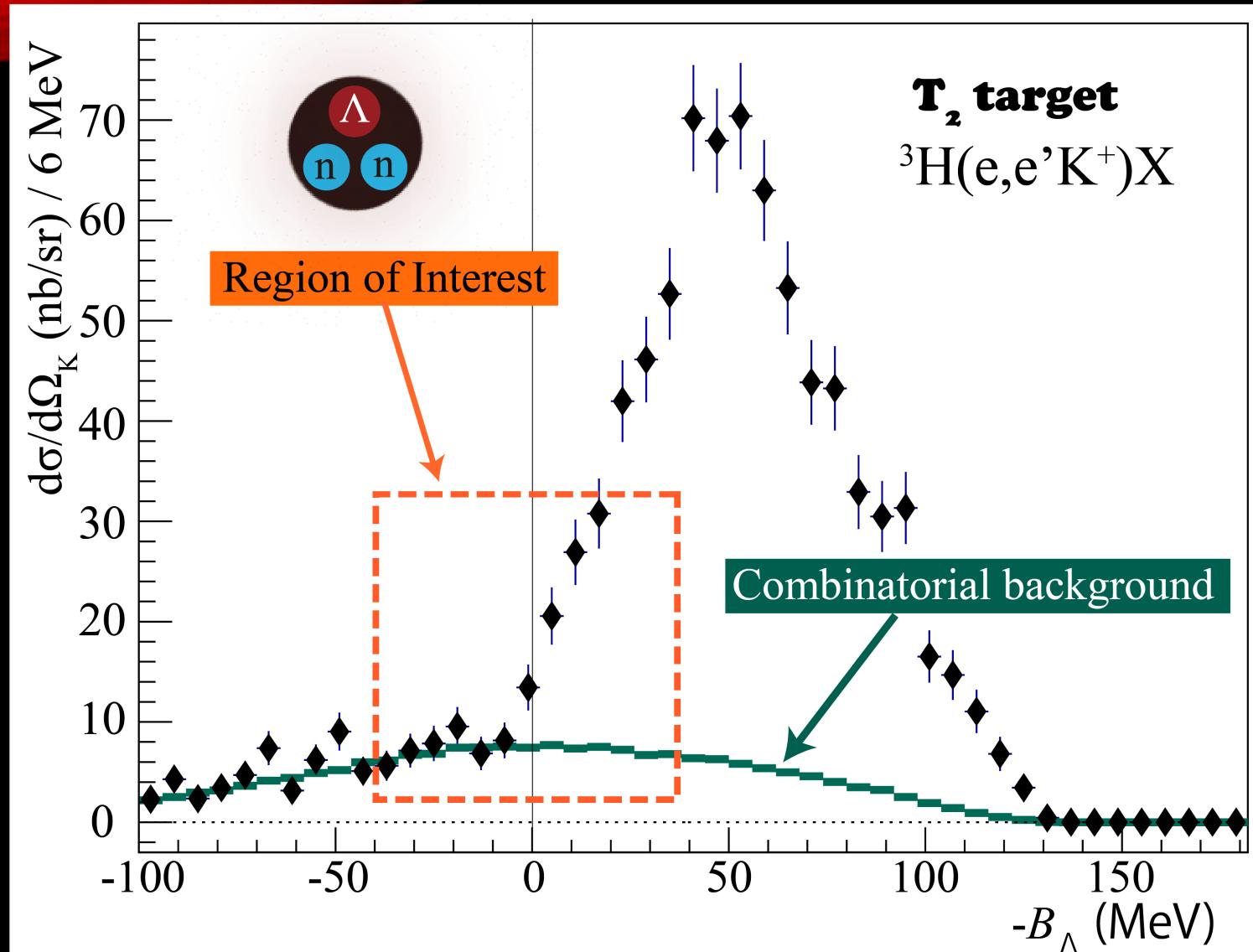
BACKUP

# Response function $\otimes$ BW

1. Response function (RF)
  - ✓ Geant4 simulation
2. Signal function
  - ✓ RF convoluted by Breit Wigner



# Cross section spectrum



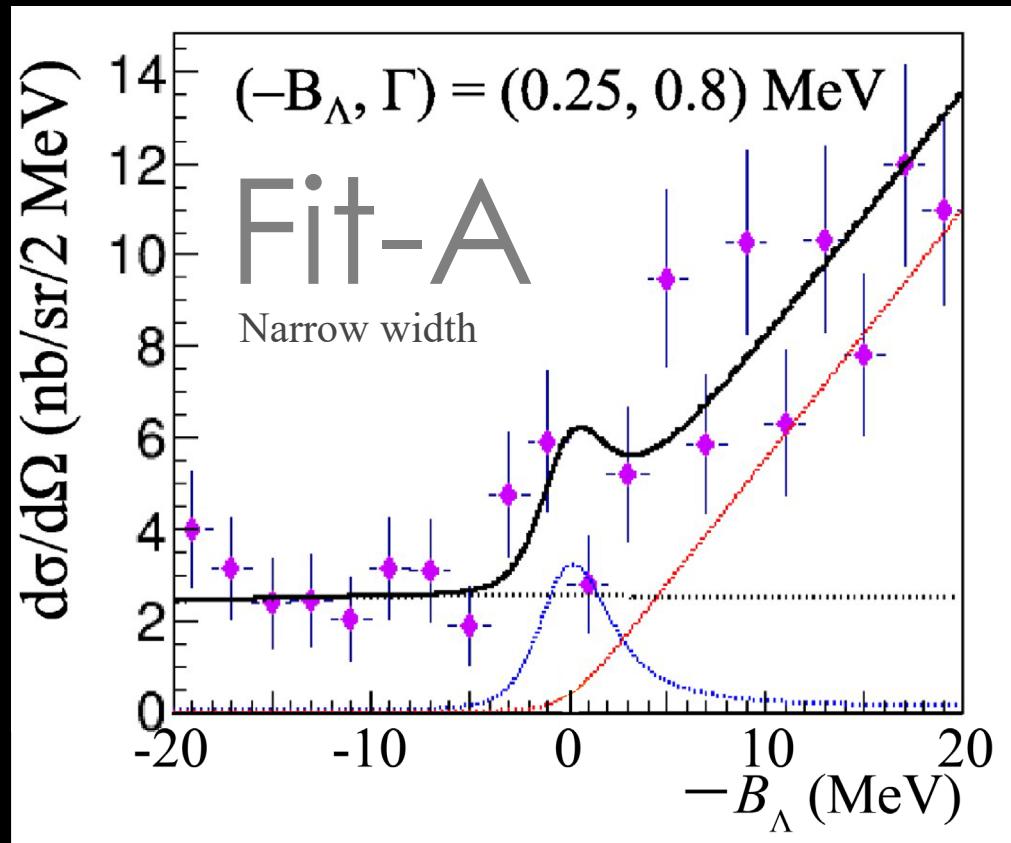
Unbinned maximum likelihood fit  
( $-20 < B_\Lambda < 20$  MeV)

Probability density function (PDF):

1. Response function (RF)
    - Geant4 simulation
  2. Decay width
    - Breit Wigner
  3. QF shape ( $-B_\Lambda > 0$ )
    - Unknown
    - Linear function  $\otimes$  RF
  4. Combinatorial background
    - Data → the 4<sup>th</sup> order polynomial
- Next page

# Fit result (typical cases)

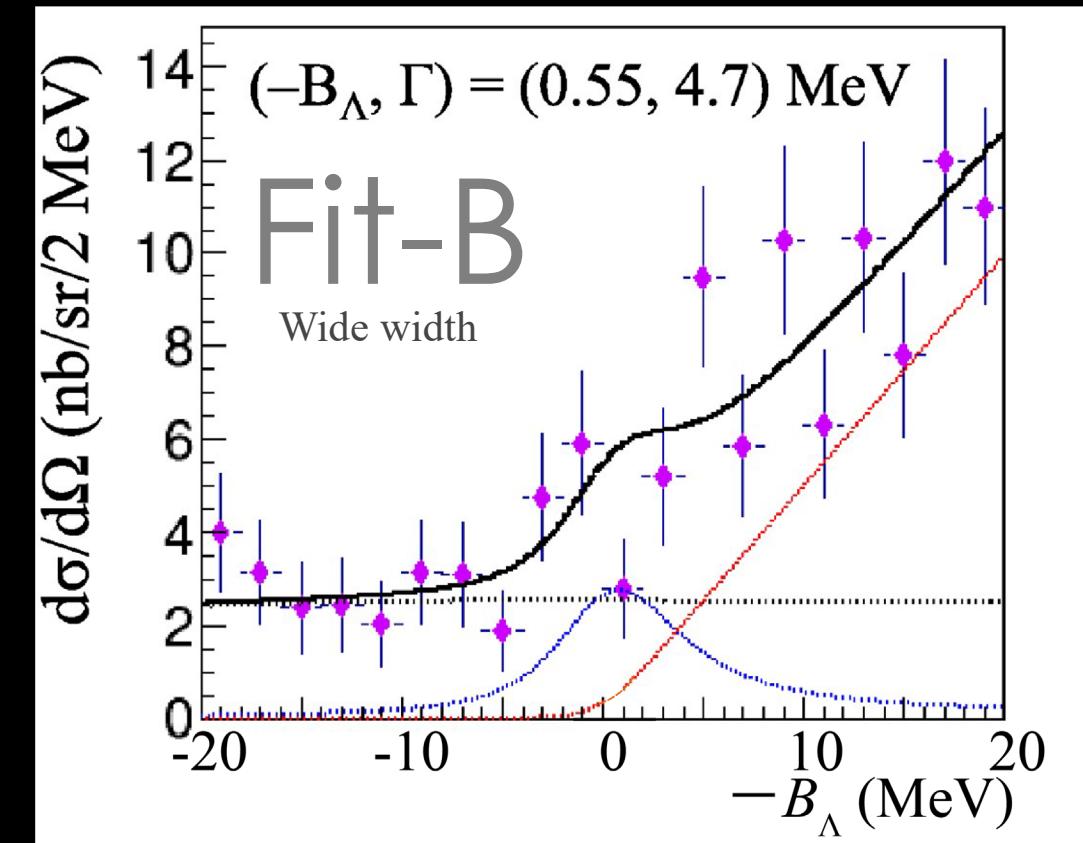
Kamada (2016): YN int. = **Nijmegen89**



$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_K}\right)_{\text{Fit A}} = \mathbf{11.2} \pm 4.8 \text{ (stat.)}^{+4.1}_{-2.1} \text{ (sys.)}$$

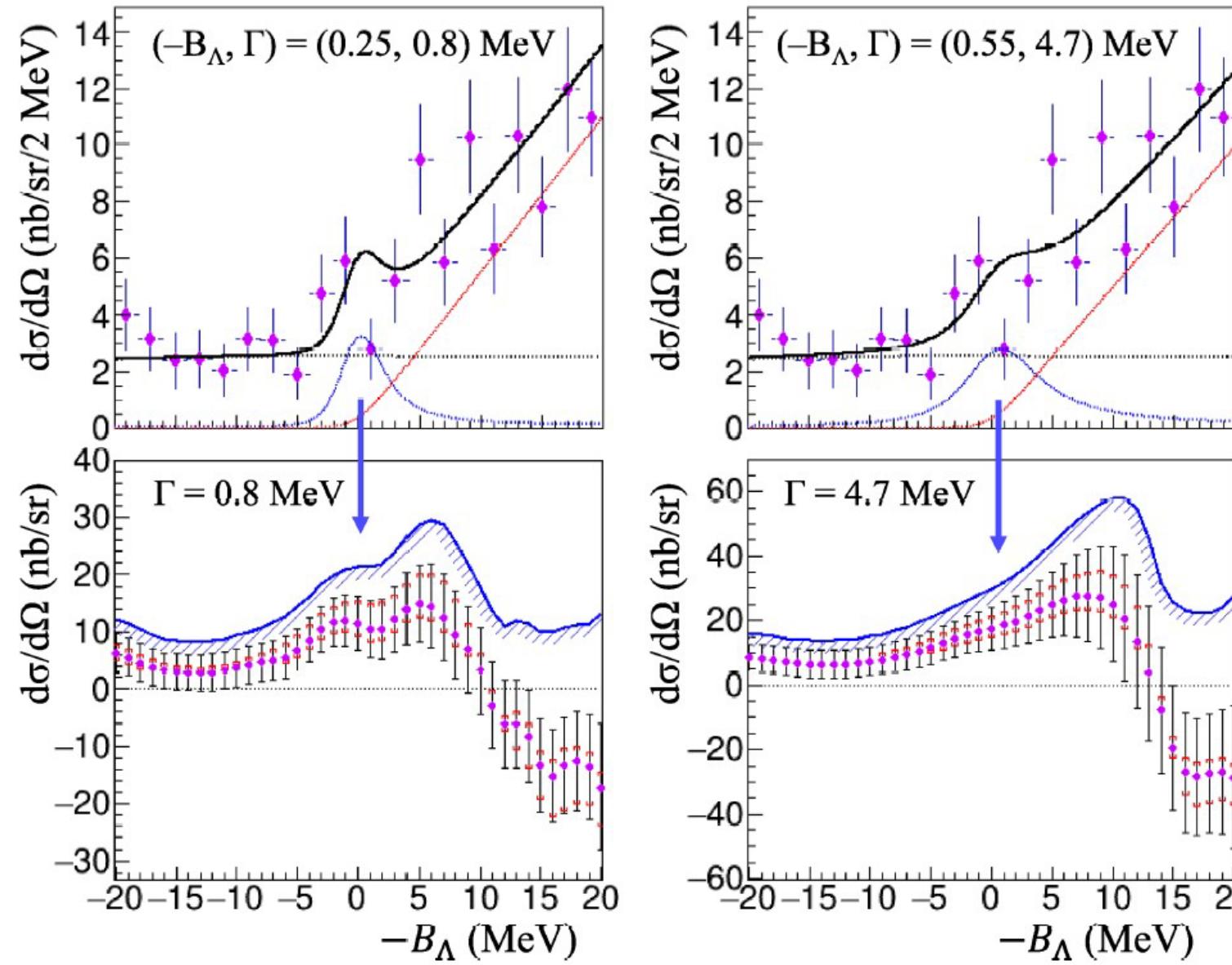
**2.3 σ (only stat.)**

Belyaev (2008): YN int. = **Minesota**



$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_K}\right)_{\text{Fit B}} = \mathbf{18.1} \pm 6.8 \text{ (stat.)}^{+4.2}_{-2.9} \text{ (sys.)}$$

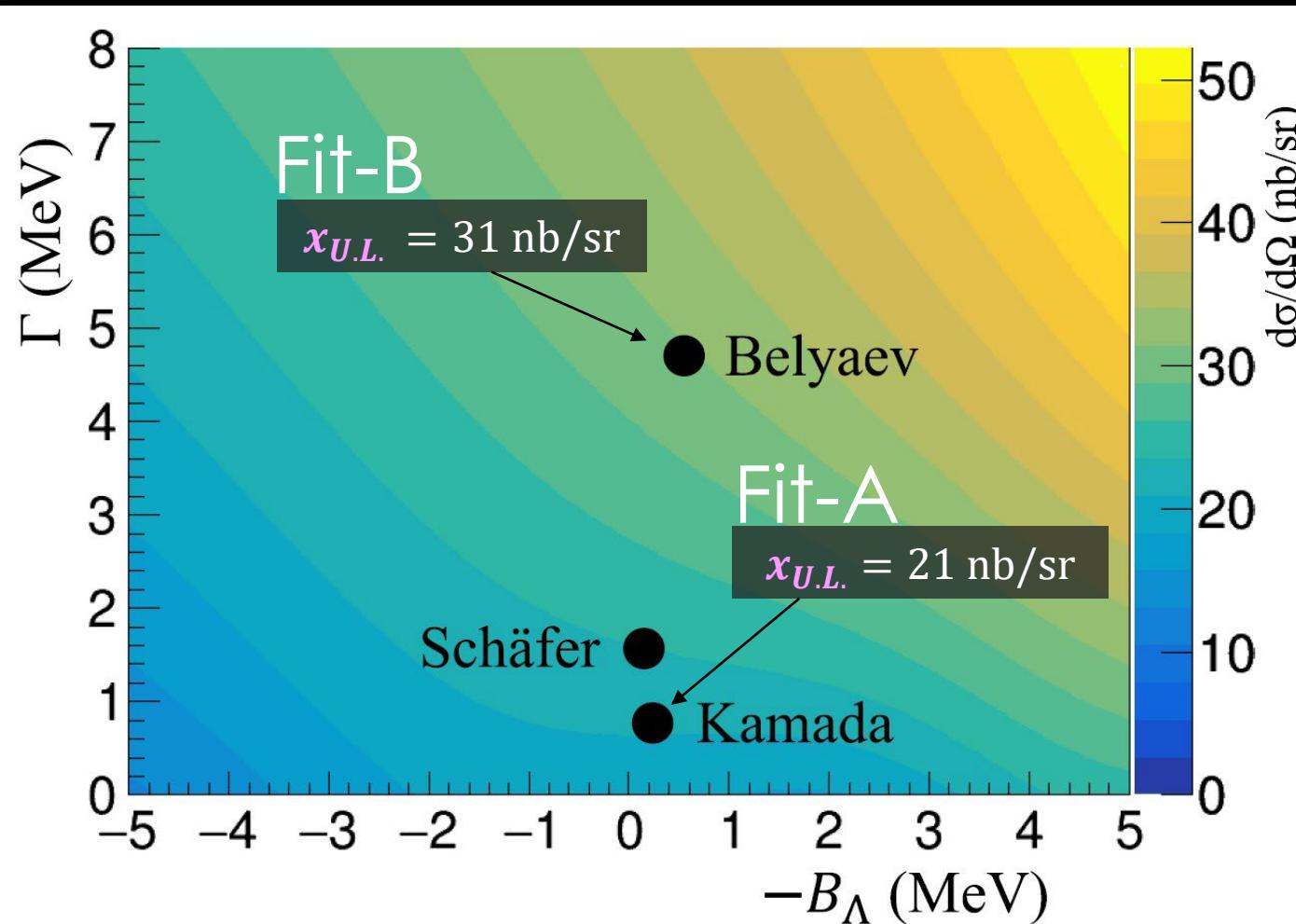
**2.7 σ (only stat.)**



**Fig. 11.** The differential cross-section as a function of  $-B_\Lambda$  (MeV). Spectral fits were done by assuming  $(-B_\Lambda, \Gamma) = (0.25, 0.8)$  MeV and  $(0.55, 4.7)$  MeV respectively, which are predictions adopted from Refs. [8, 12]. Each panel shows the differential cross-section of exceeded events over the assumed QF distribution as a function of an assumed peak center.

1-D SCAN

# Upper limit at 90% C.L. (2-D scan)



**Upper limit**  $x_{U.L.}$ :

$$\frac{\int_0^{x_{U.L.}^{\text{stat.}}} g(x) dx}{\int_0^{\infty} g(x) dx} = 90\%$$

where,  $g(x)$  is a Gaus.



$$x_{U.L.} = x_{U.L.}^{\text{stat.}} + \text{sys. err.}$$

Theoretical calculations  
to be compared with the  
results are awaited !!