

Using light hypernuclei to constrain hypernuclear interactions



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- YN interactions
- Uncertainty of Λ separation energies and size of chiral 3BF contributions
- Chiral YNN interactions
- Conclusions & Outlook

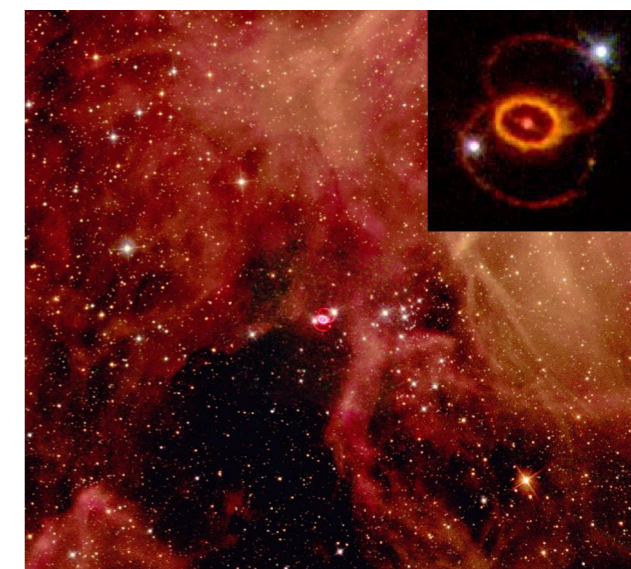
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Hypernuclear interactions

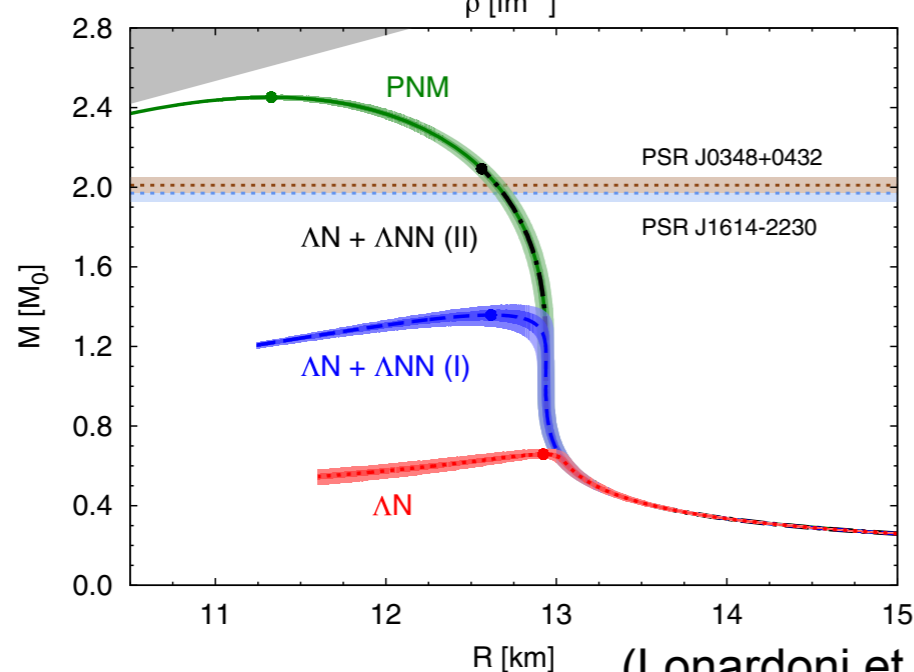
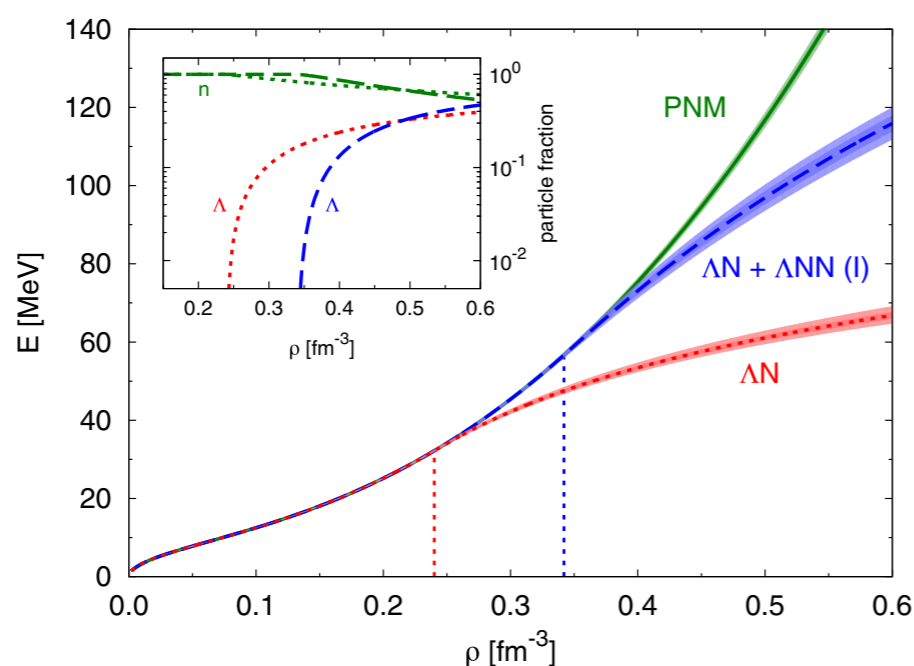


Why is understanding hypernuclear interactions interesting?

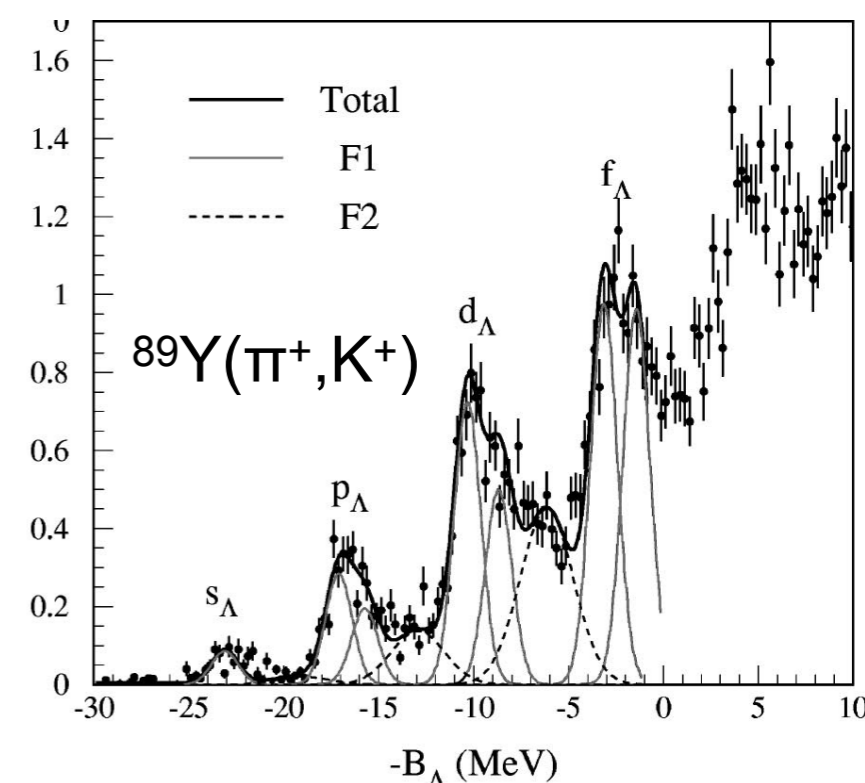
- hyperon contribution to the EOS, neutron stars, supernovae
- "hyperon puzzle"
- Λ as probe to nuclear structure
- flavor dependence of baryon-baryon interactions



(SN1987a, Wikipedia)



(Lonardoni et al. (2015))



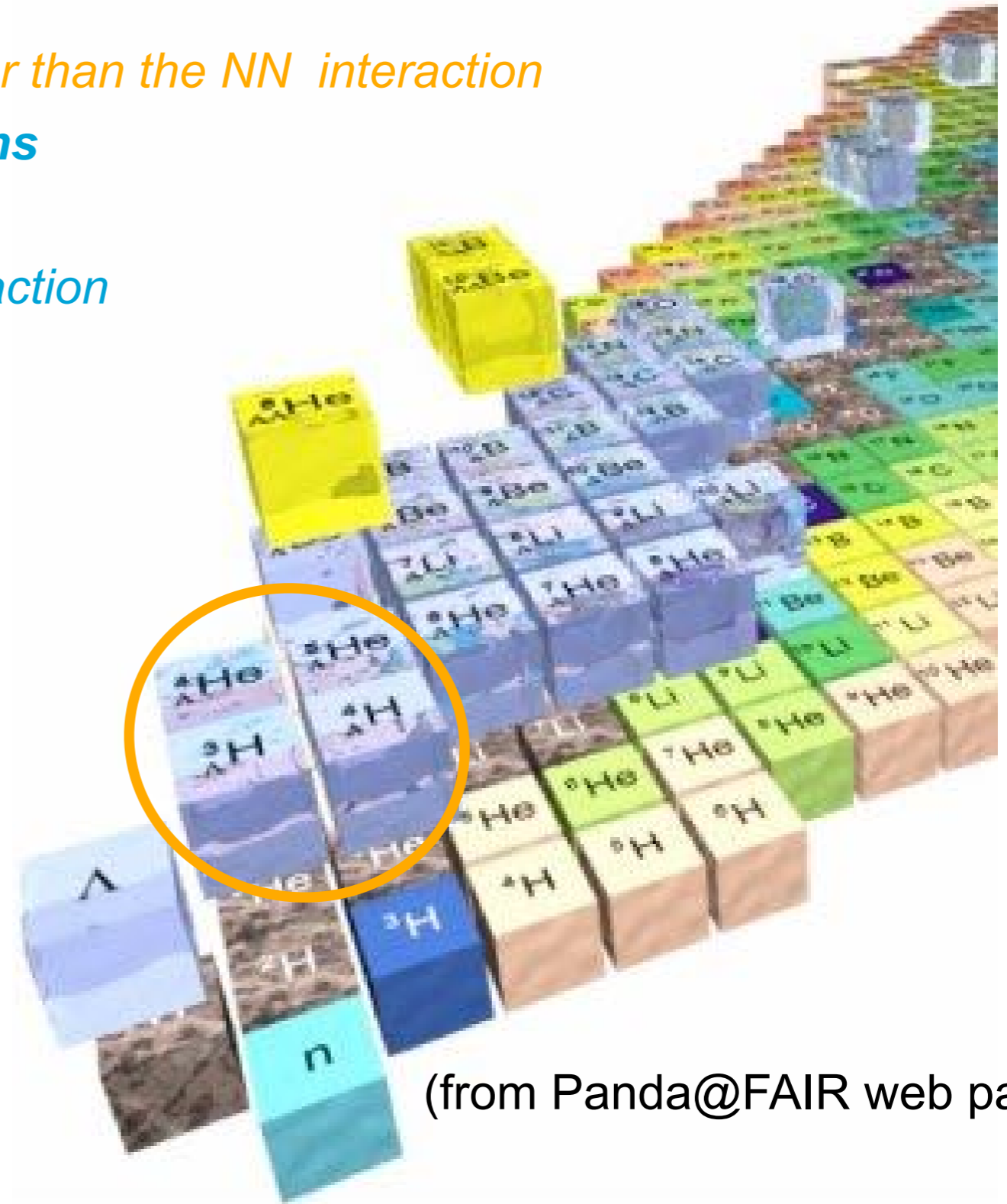
(Hotchi et al. (2001))

Hypernuclei



Only few YN data. Hypernuclear data provides additional constraints.

- ΛN interactions are generally weaker than the NN interaction
 - naively: core nucleus + hyperons
 - „separation energies“ are quite independent from NN(+3N) interaction
- no Pauli blocking of Λ in nuclei
 - good to study nuclear structure
 - even light hypernuclei exist in several spin states
- non-trivial constraints on the YN interaction even from lightest ones
- size of YNN interactions?
need to include Λ - Σ conversion!



(from Panda@FAIR web page)

Chiral NN & YN interactions



EFT based approaches

	BB force	3B force	4B force	
LO		—	—	5 NN/YN short range parameters
NLO		—	—	23 NN/YN short range parameters
N ² LO			—	no additional contact terms in NN/YN

Chiral EFT implements **chiral symmetry of QCD** (adapted from Epelbaum, 2008)

- symmetries constrain exchanges of Goldstone bosons
- relations of two- and three- and more-baryon interactions
- breakdown scale $\approx 600 - 700 \text{ MeV}$
- Semi-local momentum regularization (SMS) up to N²LO

Retain flexibility to adjust to data due to counter terms

Regulator required — cutoff/different orders often used to estimate uncertainty

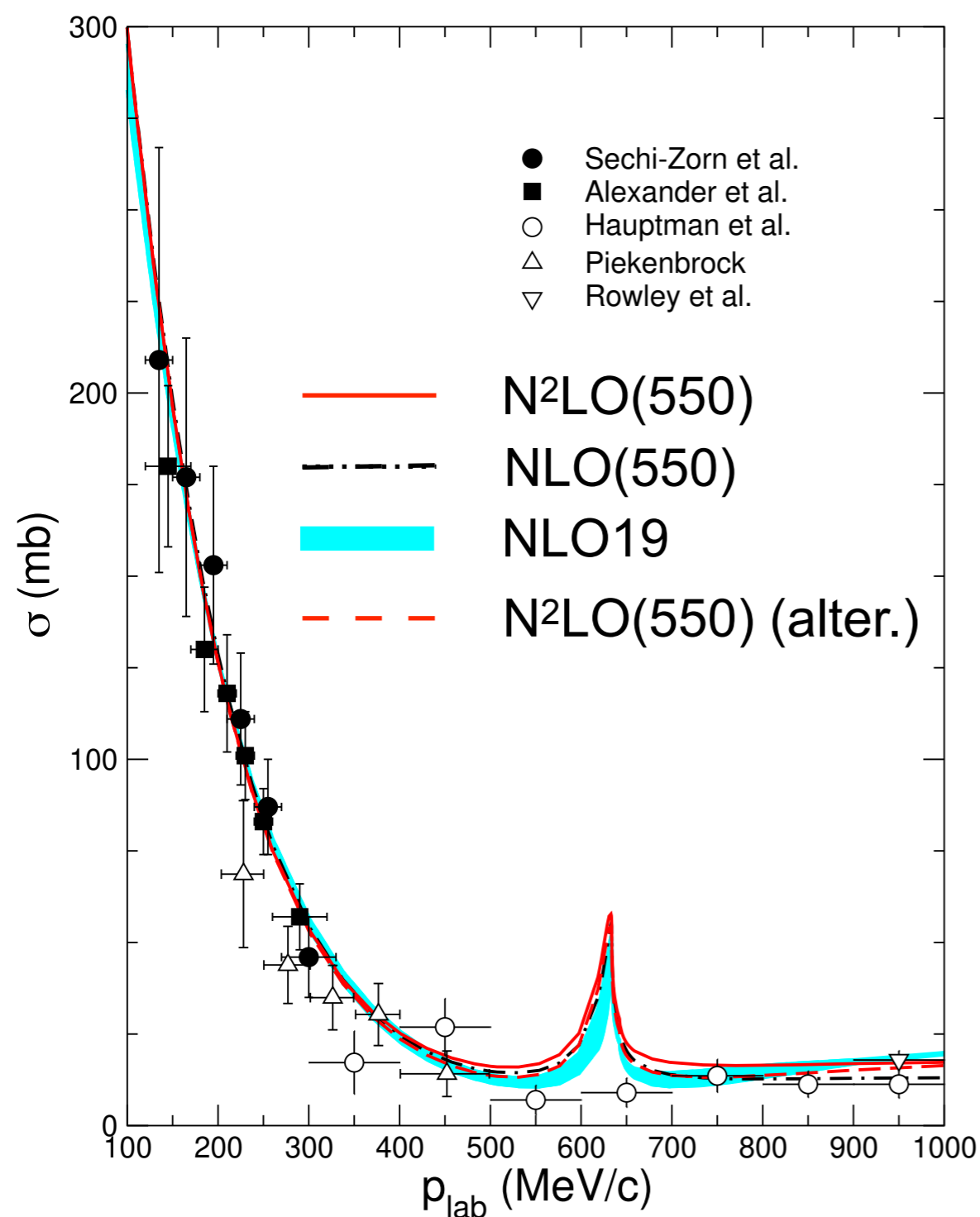
$\Lambda - \Sigma$ **conversion** is explicitly included (3BFs appear only in N²LO)

SMS NLO/N²LO interaction



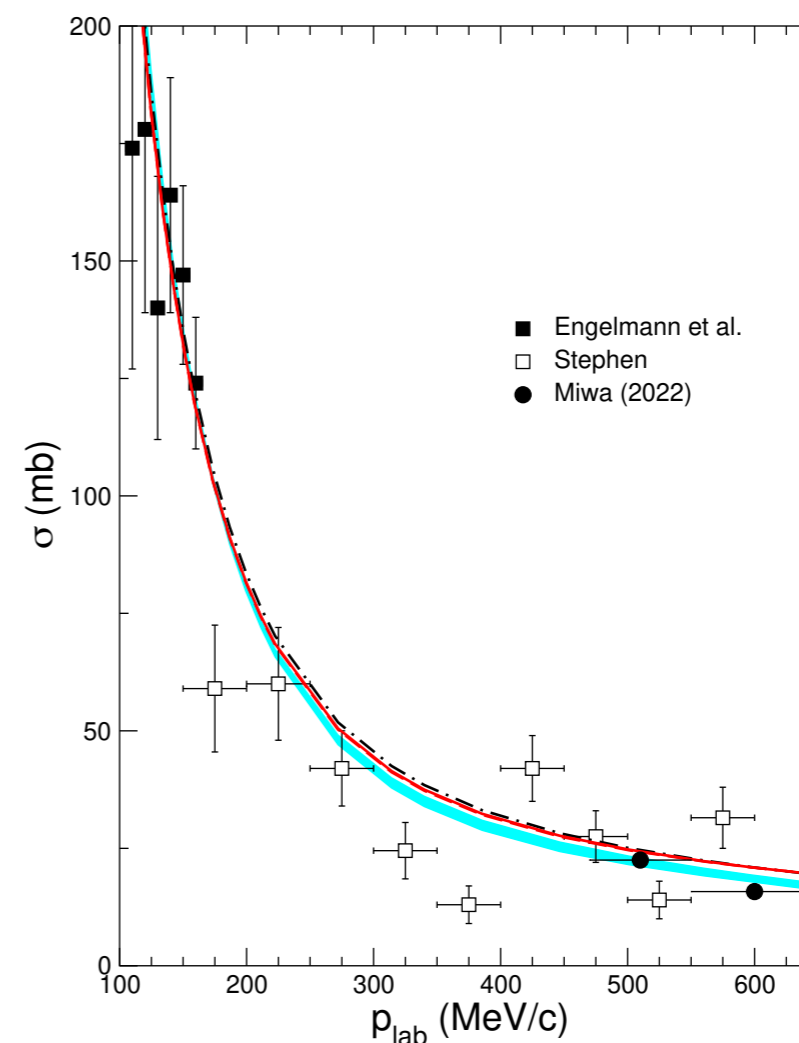
Selected results (show $\Lambda = 550$ MeV, others are very similar in quality)

$\Lambda p \rightarrow \Lambda p$



- most relevant cross sections very similar in NLO and N²LO
- similar to NLO19 (non-local regulator)
- alternative fit (see later)
- uses ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ to determine spin dependence

$\Sigma^- p \rightarrow \Lambda n$

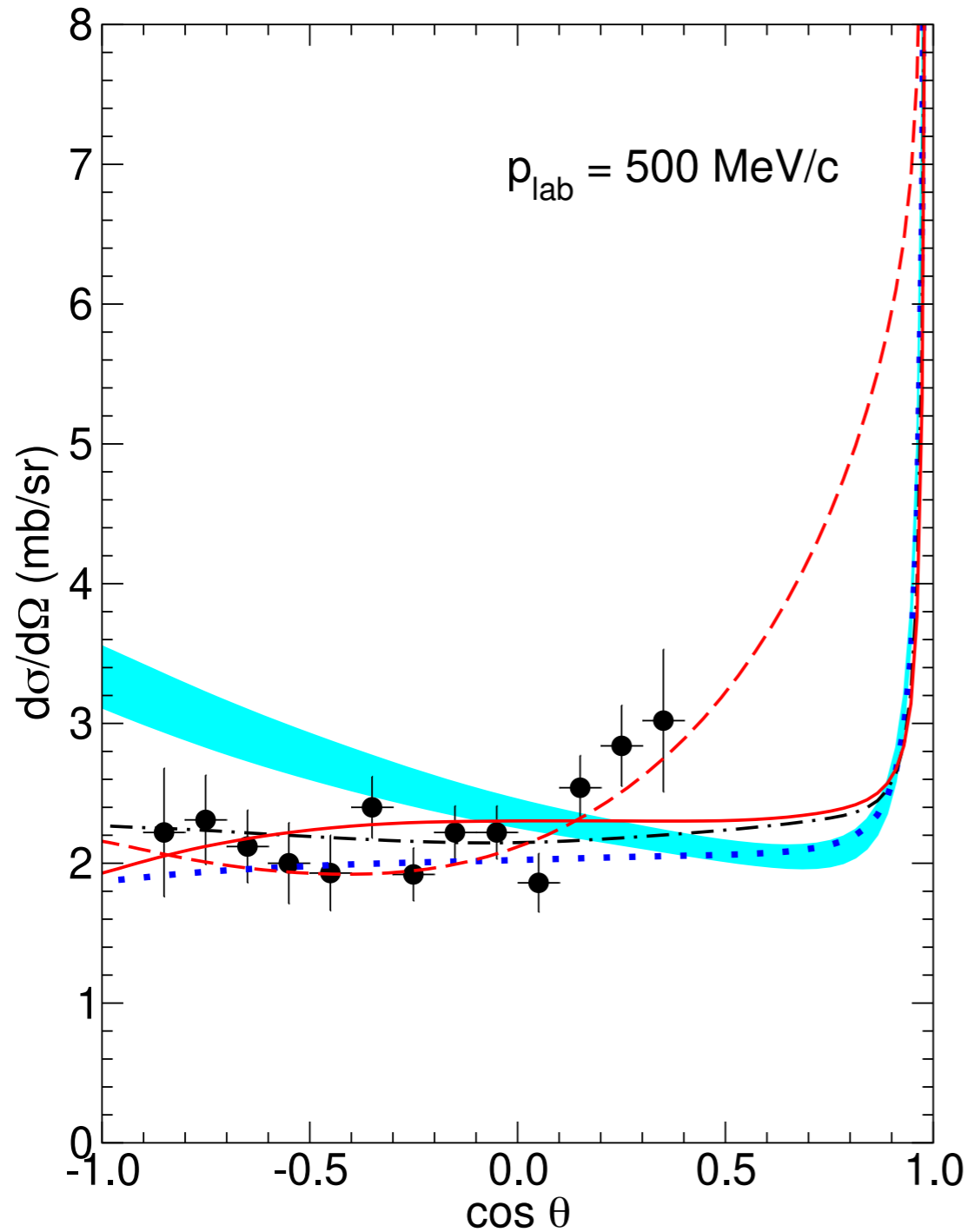


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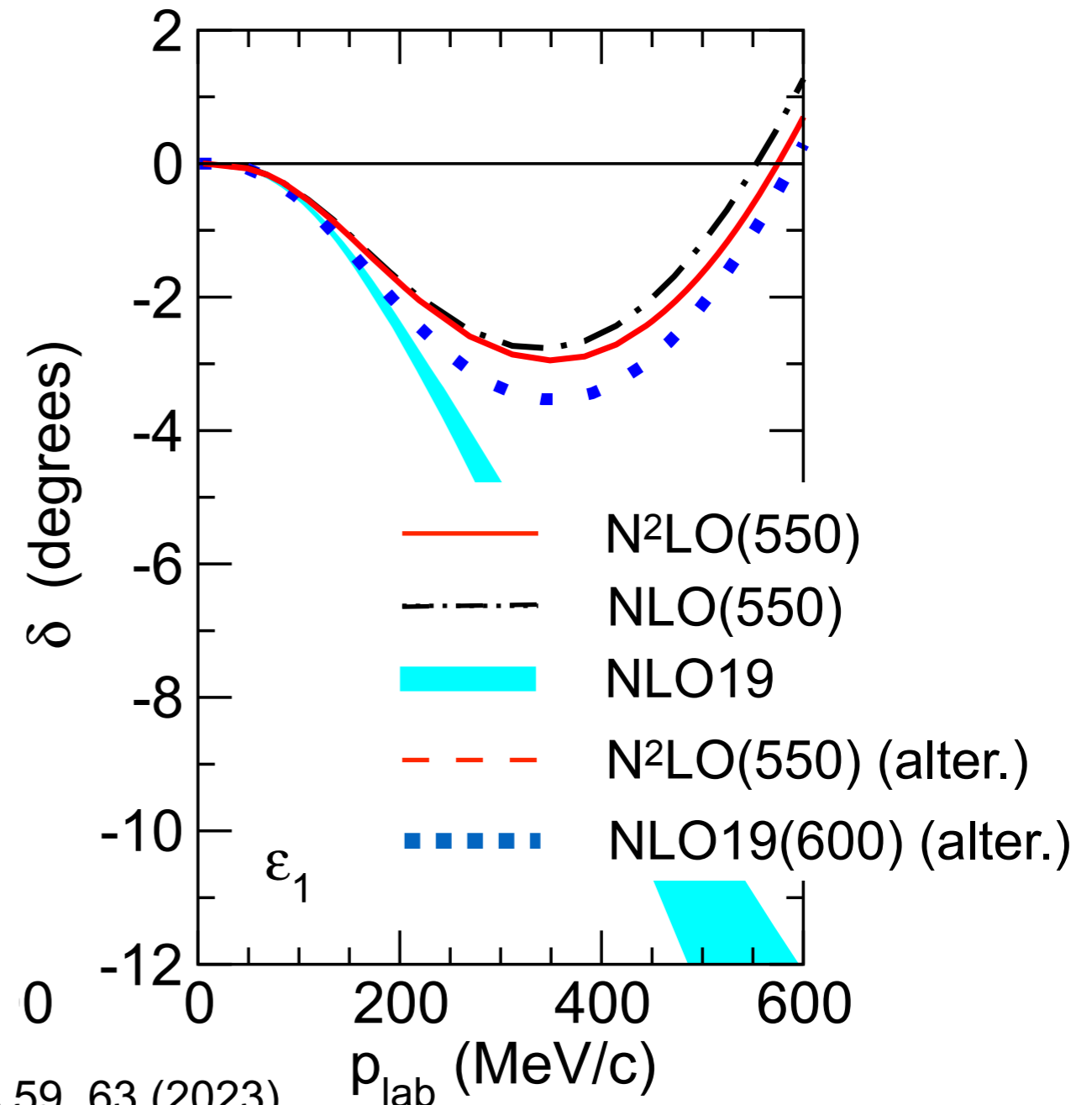


new data (Miwa(2022), see talk on Friday) at higher energies provides new constraints!

$$\Sigma^+ p \rightarrow \Sigma^+ p$$



J. Haidenbauer et al. EPJ A 59, 63 (2023).



Uncertainty analysis to $A = 3$ to 5



Order N²LO requires combination of chiral NN, YN, 3N and **YNN** interaction

Results for **different orders** enable uncertainty estimate:

Ansatz for the order by order convergence:

$$X_K = X_{ref} \sum_{k=0}^K c_k Q^k \quad \text{where} \quad Q = M_{\pi}^{eff} / \Lambda_b \quad (X_{ref} \text{ LO, exp., max, ...})$$

Bayesian analysis of the uncertainty following Melendez et al. 2017,2019

Extracting c_k for $k \leq K$ from calculations

→ **probability distributions** for c_k

→
$$\delta X_K = X_{ref} \sum_{k=K+1}^{\infty} c_k Q^k$$

Uncertainty due to missing higher orders is more relevant

than numerical uncertainty! (for light nuclei)

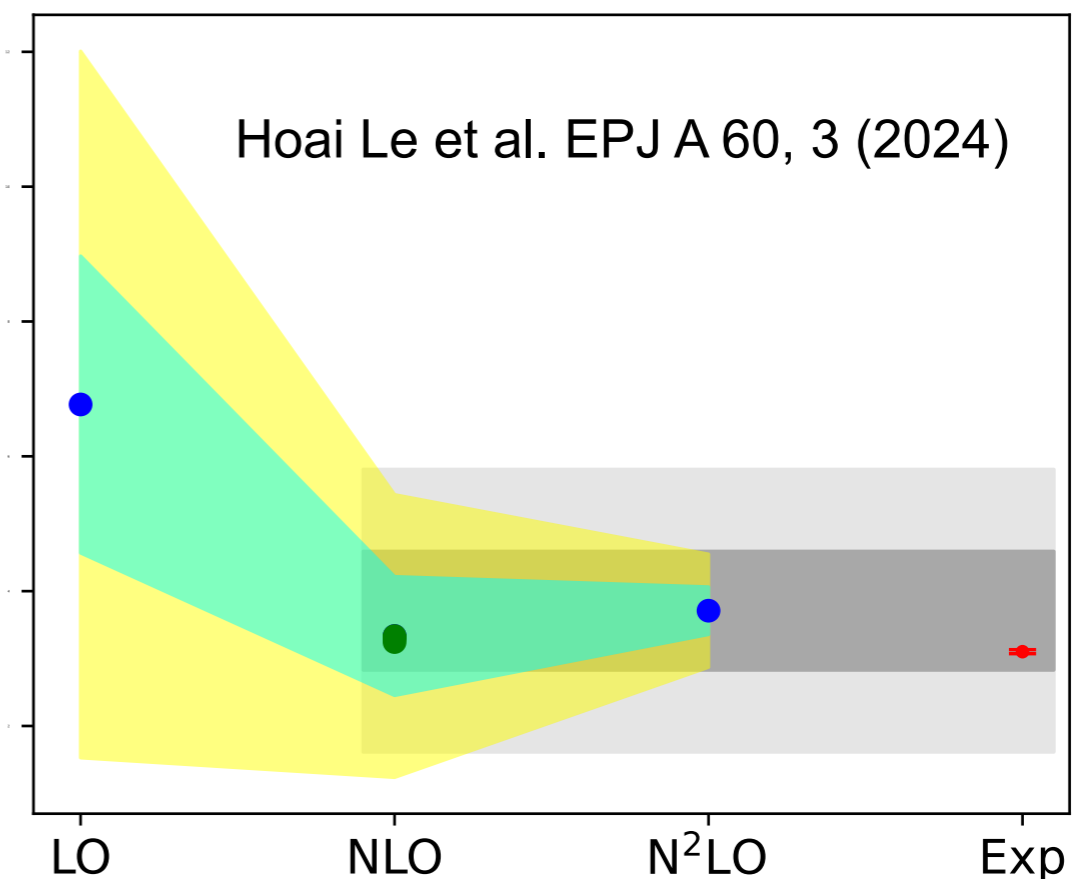
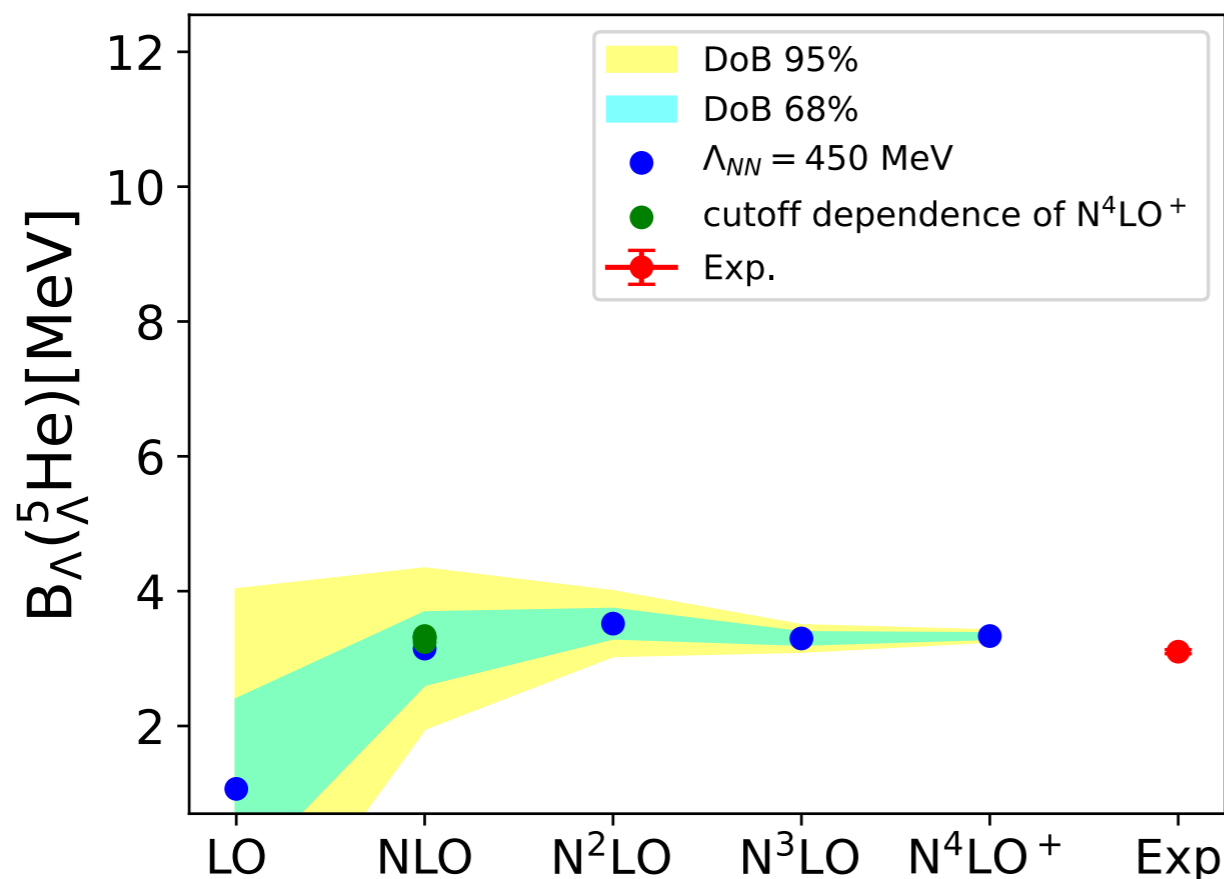
Application to ${}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ and summary



- without YNN: sizable uncertainties at $A = 4$ and 5
- $A = 3$ sufficiently accurate
- NN/YN dependence small at least for $A = 3$

nucleus	$\Delta_{68}(NN)$	$\Delta_{68}(YN)$
${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$	0.011	0.015
${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He} (0^+)$	0.157	0.239
${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He} (1^+)$	0.114	0.214
${}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$	0.529	0.881

→ at the same time: estimate of YNN !

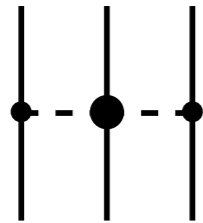




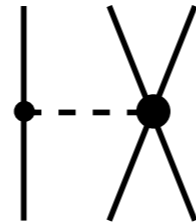
YNN (Λ NN) interactions

Leading 3BF with the usual topologies (see Petschauer et al., 2016 & 2017)

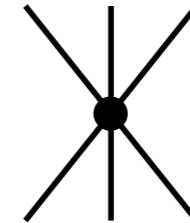
ChPT \longrightarrow all octet mesons contribute \longrightarrow **only take π explicitly into account**



2 LECs in Λ NN
(up to 10)



2 LECs in Λ NN
(up to 14)

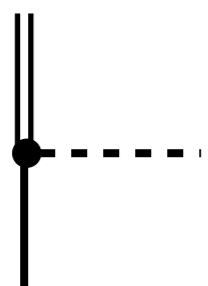


3 LECs in Λ NN
5 LECs in Σ NN + 1 Λ - Σ transition

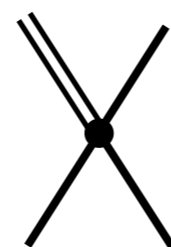
only few data \longrightarrow need to keep the **# of LECs** small

Decuplet baryons (Σ^* ...) might enhance YNN partly to NLO (see Petschauer et al., 2017)

By decuplet saturation all LECs can be related to the following leading octet-decuplet transitions (Petschauer et al., 2020)



$$\propto C = \frac{3}{4} g_A$$



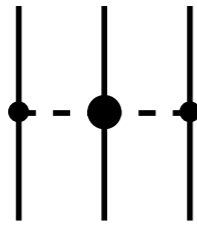
$$\propto G_1, G_2$$

\longrightarrow **reduction to 2 LECs**

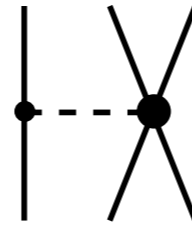
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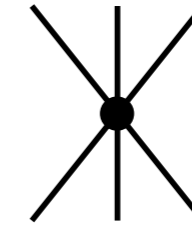
Decuplet saturation relates all LECs to G_1 and G_2



$$\propto C^2$$



$$\propto CG_1, CG_2$$



$$\propto (G_1)^2, (G_2)^2, G_1G_2$$

For Λ NN: $\propto C^2$

$$\propto C(G_1 + 3G_2)$$

$$\propto (G_1 + 3G_2)^2 \quad \mathbf{1 \text{ LEC}}$$

➡ density dependent BB interactions (Petschauer et al., 2017)

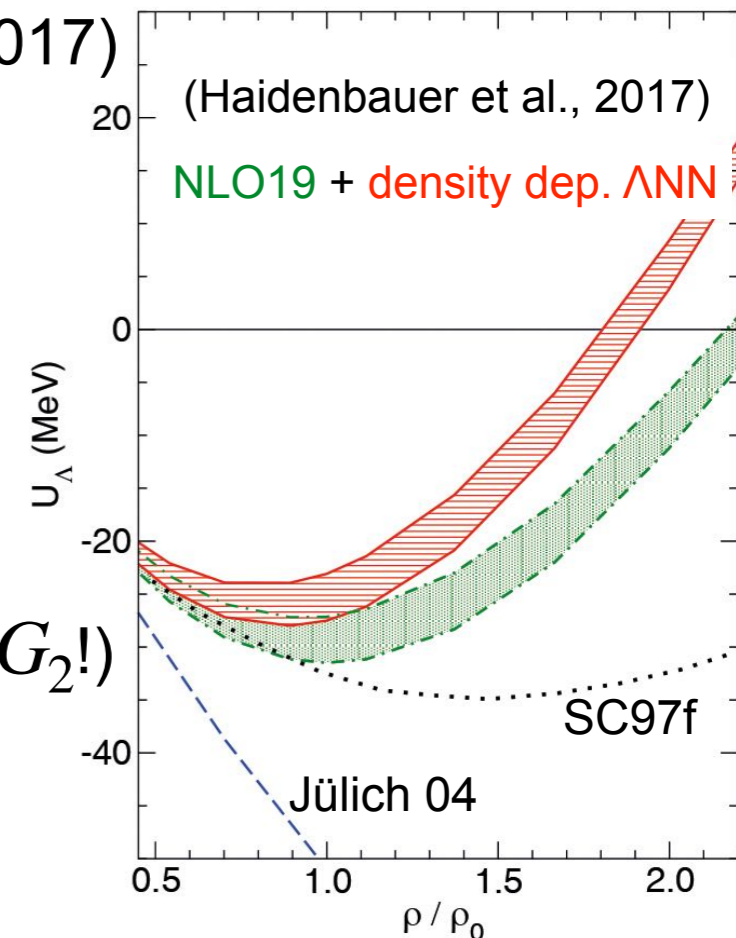
➡ application to nuclear matter (Haidenbauer et al., 2017)

neutron stars (Logoteta et al., 2019)

- contribution on the single particle potentials can be large
- realistic results seem to require partly
cancellations of 2π and 1π exchange (fixes sign of $G_1 + 3G_2$!)

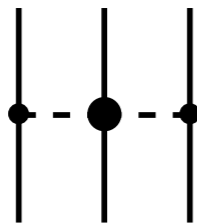
Recently: successful benchmark of matrix elements:

Hoai Le et al. [arXiv:2407.02064v1](https://arxiv.org/abs/2407.02064v1)

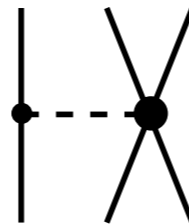




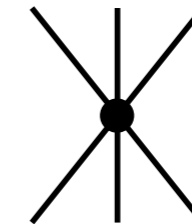
Decuplet approximation in YNN



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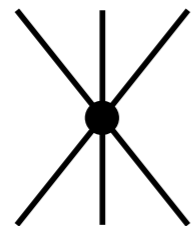
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is not sufficient to fix spin dependence

➔ + Λ NN contact terms **without decuplet constraints**



$$\Lambda\text{NN} \propto C'_1, C'_2, C'_3$$

ad hoc choice: alter C_2 :

$$C'_1 = C'_3 = \frac{(G_1 + 3G_2)^2}{72\Delta}$$

$$C'_2 = 0$$



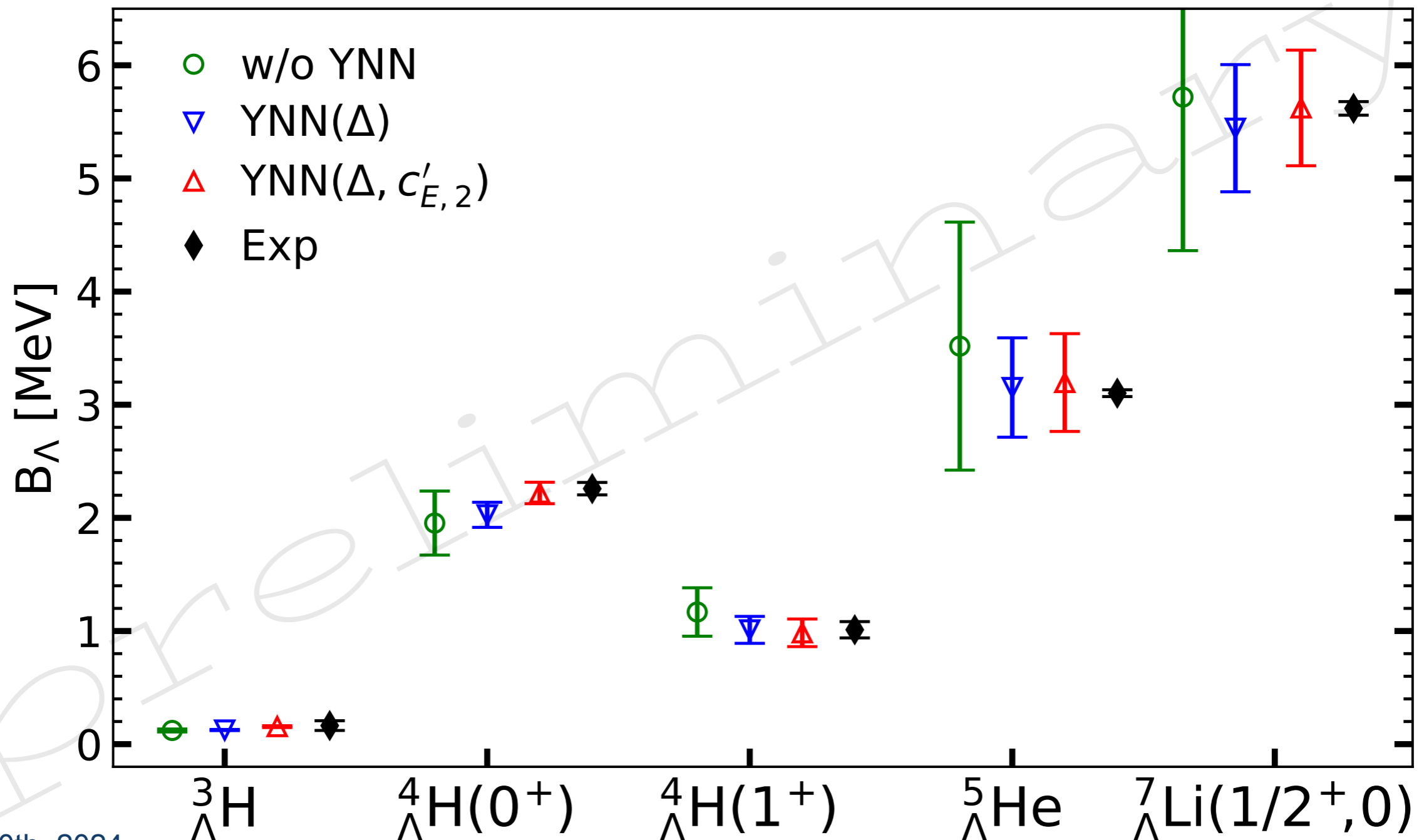
$$V_{\Lambda\text{NN}} = C'_2 \vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot (\vec{\sigma}_2 + \vec{\sigma}_3) (1 - \vec{\tau}_2 \cdot \vec{\tau}_3)$$

$$C'_2 = G_3$$

C'_2 introduces a spin dependent interaction in the most relevant particle channel



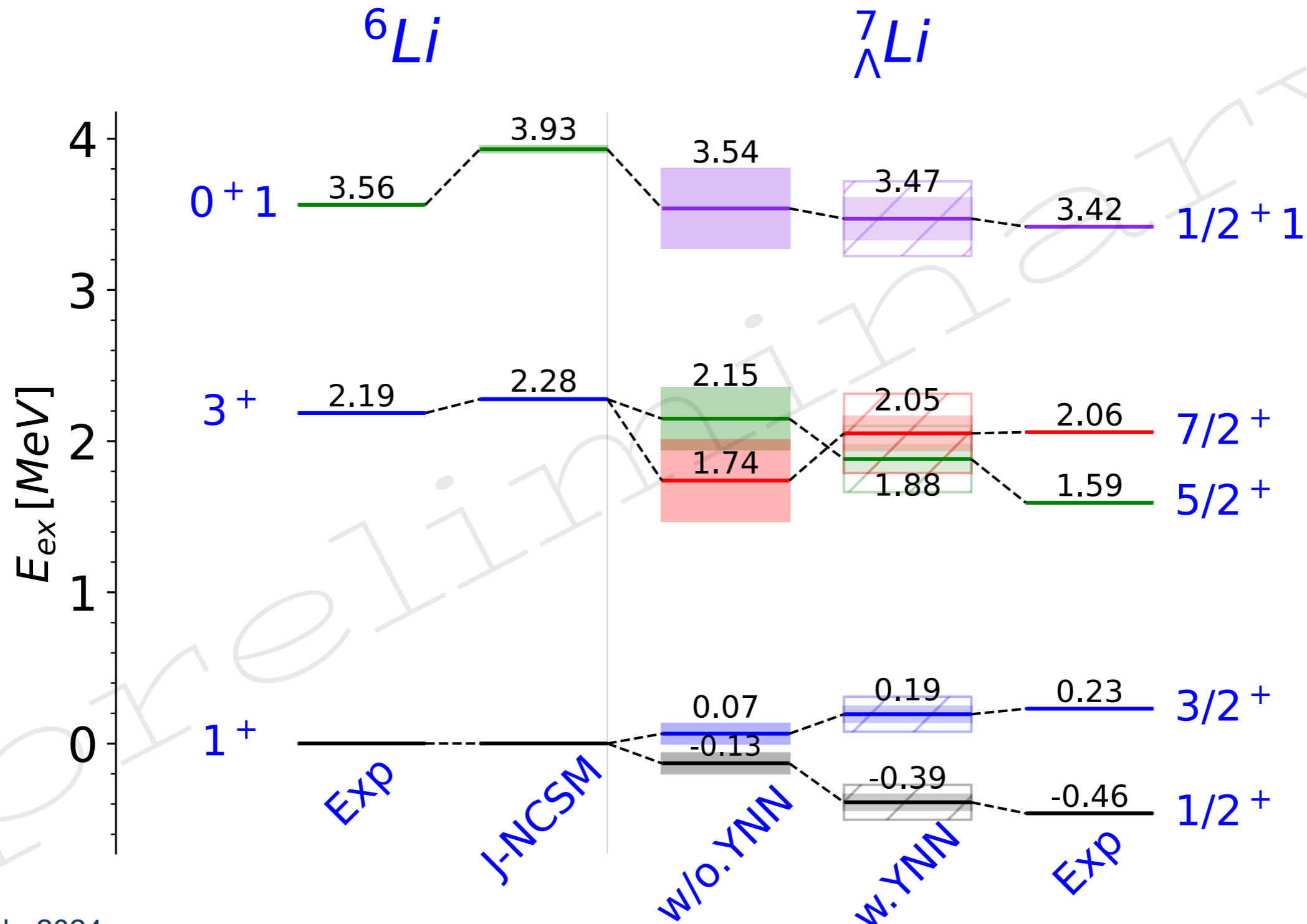
- Fit to 0^+ and 1^+ state of ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ and/or ${}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$
- spin-dependence in $A=4$ not well explained by decuplet saturation
- C'_2 term improves 0^+ of ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ and $1/2^+$ of ${}^7_{\Lambda}\text{Li}$
- agreement generally much better than $N^2\text{LO}$ uncertainty



YNN prediction for ${}^7_{\Lambda}\text{Li}$



- good agreement
- C'_2 term included, but not very important (not shown)
- higher states have significant uncertainty





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