

# Femtoscscopy for exotic hadrons and nuclei




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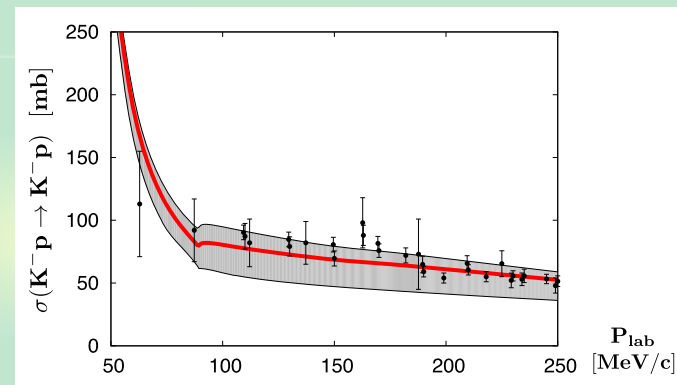
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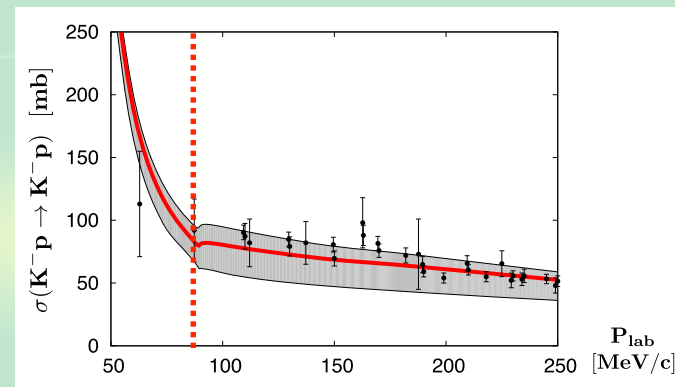


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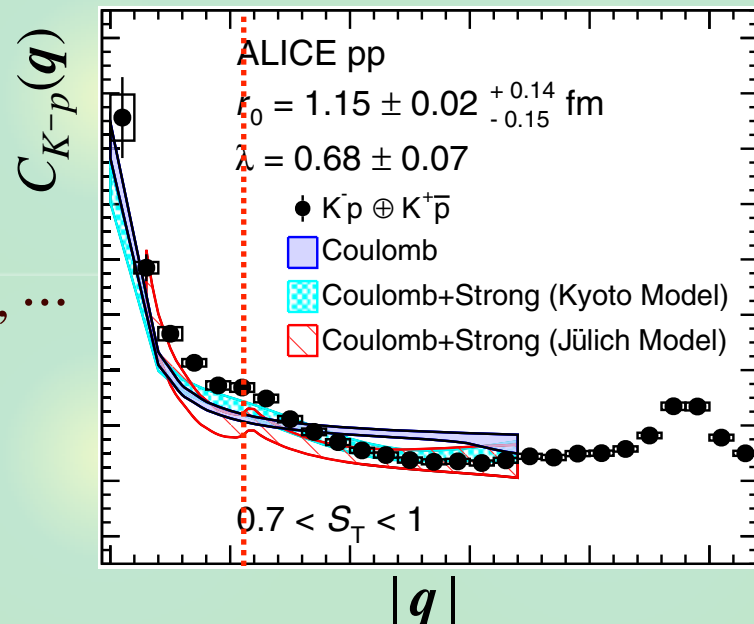
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## Femtoscopy: correlation function

ALICE collaboration, PRL 124, 092301 (2020)

- Various systems:  $\Lambda\Lambda, N\Omega, \phi N, \bar{K}\Lambda, DN, \dots$
- Heavy hadrons: **possible!**
- Excellent **precision** ( $\bar{K}^0 n$  cusp)

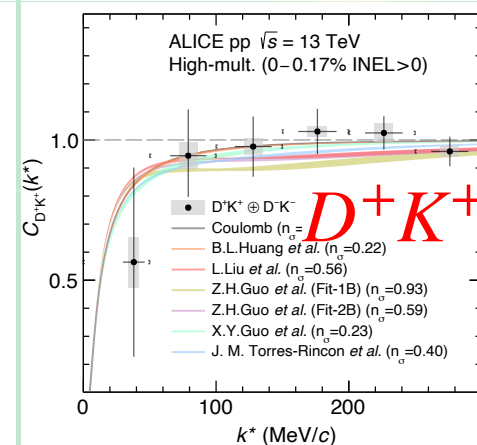
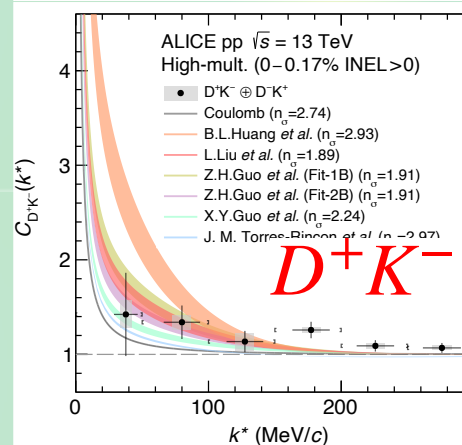
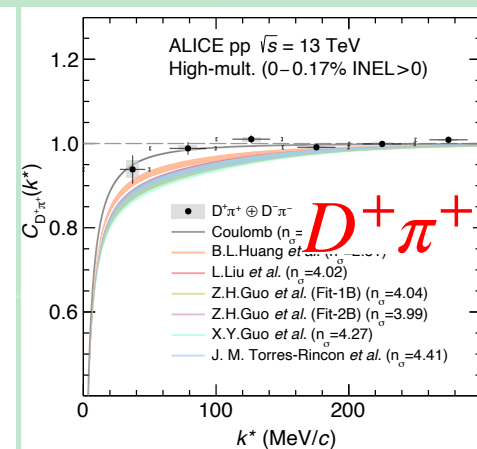
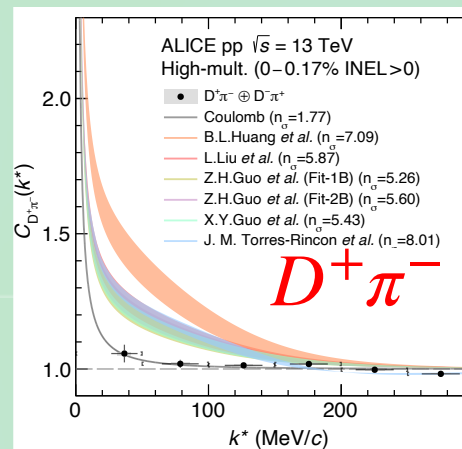
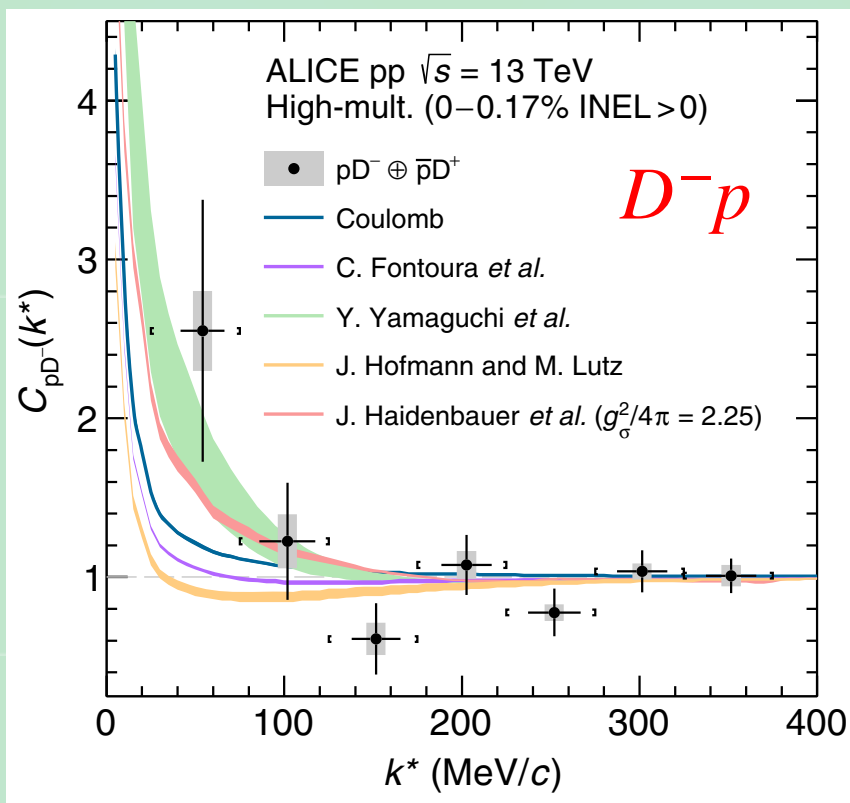


# Experimental data in charm sector

## Observed correlation functions with charm: $DN, D\pi, DK$

ALICE collaboration, PRD 106, 052010 (2022);

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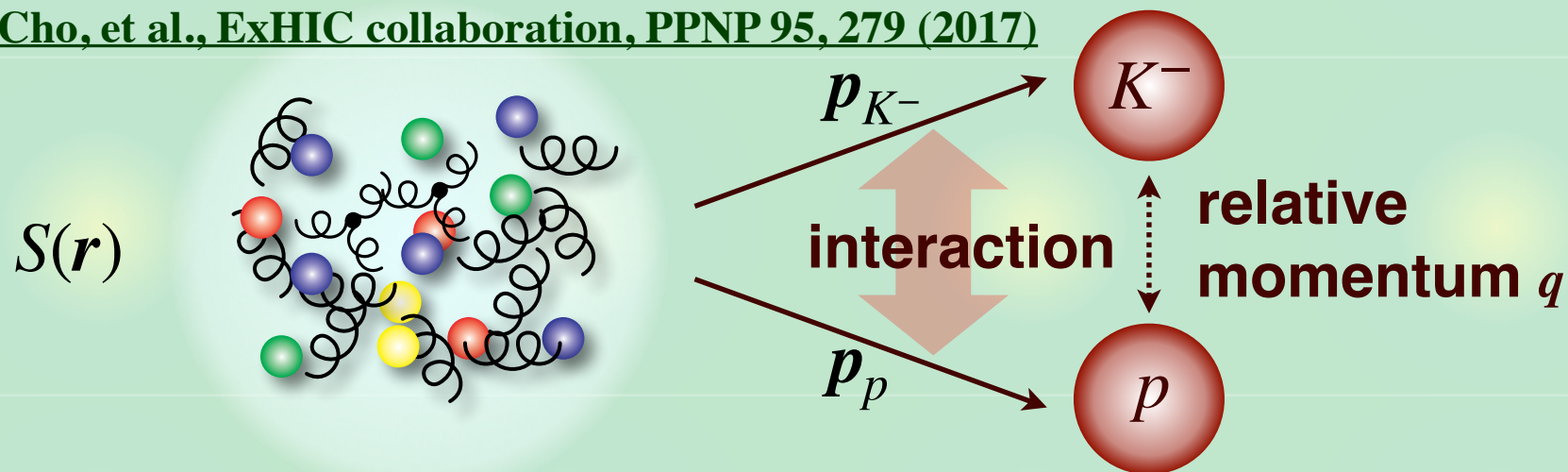


Unique way to obtain data in charm sector (yet low statistics)

# Correlation function and KP formula

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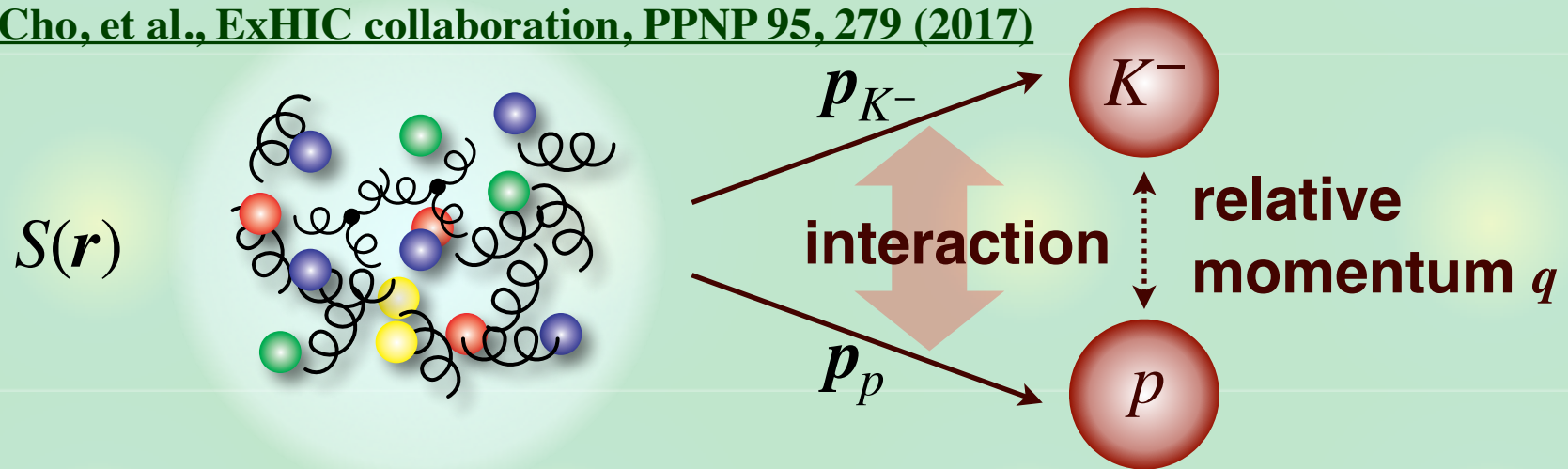
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## - Theory (Koonin-Pratt formula)

incoming + outgoing

S.E. Koonin, PLB 70, 43 (1977); S. Pratt, PRD 33, 1314 (1986)

$$C(q) \simeq \int d^3r S(r) |\Psi_q^{(-)}(r)|^2, \quad \Psi_q^{(-)}(r) \propto S^\dagger e^{-iqr} - e^{+iqr} \quad (r \rightarrow \infty)$$

Source function  $S(r) \leftrightarrow$  wave function  $\Psi_q^{(-)}(r)$  (interaction)

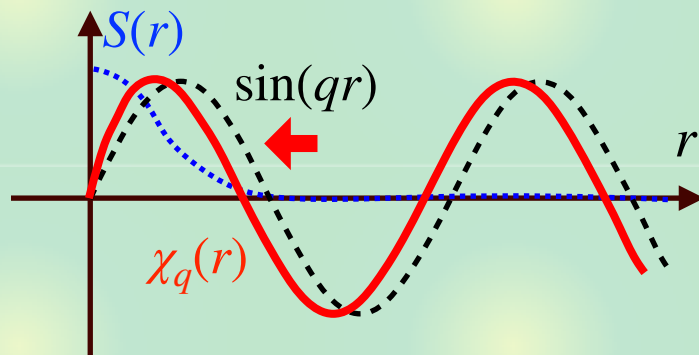


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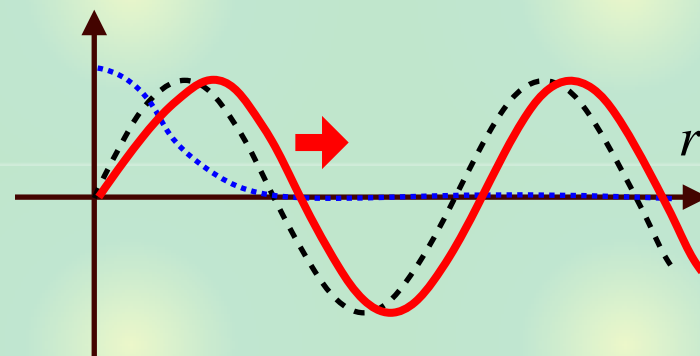
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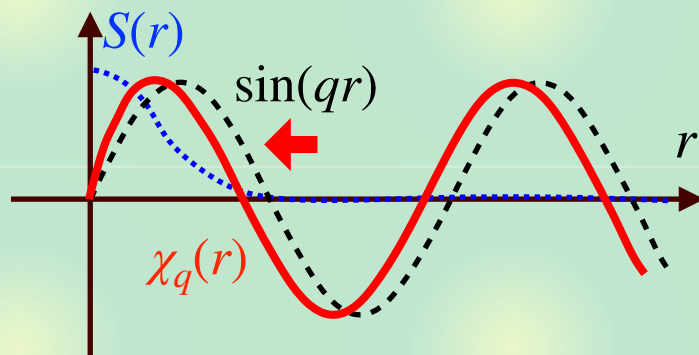


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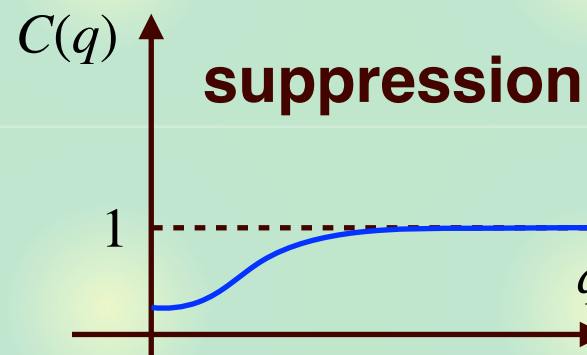
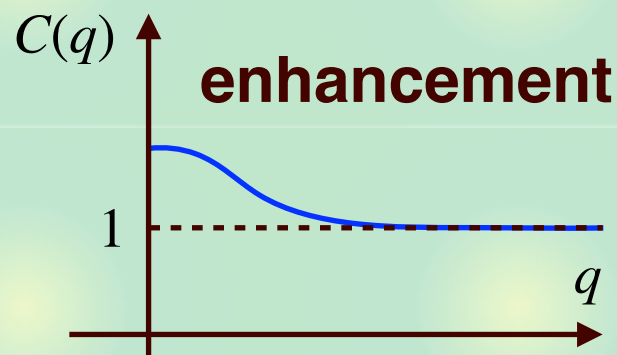
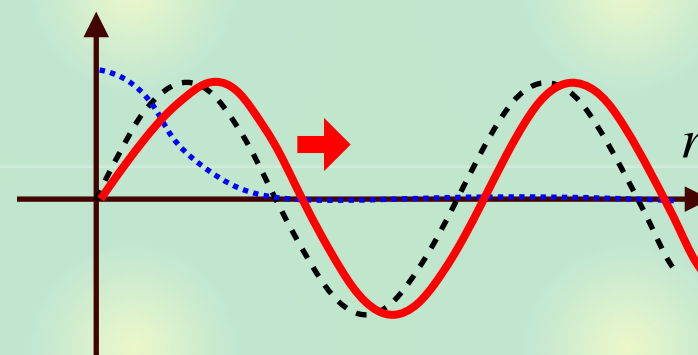
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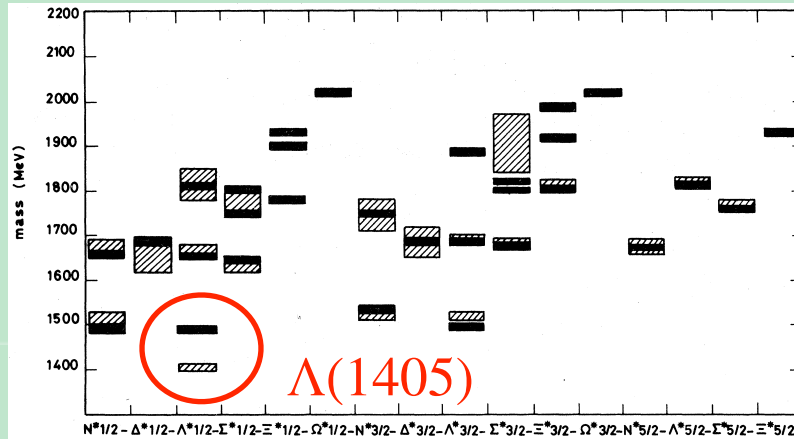
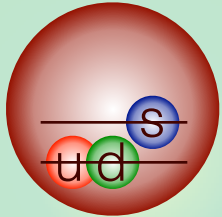
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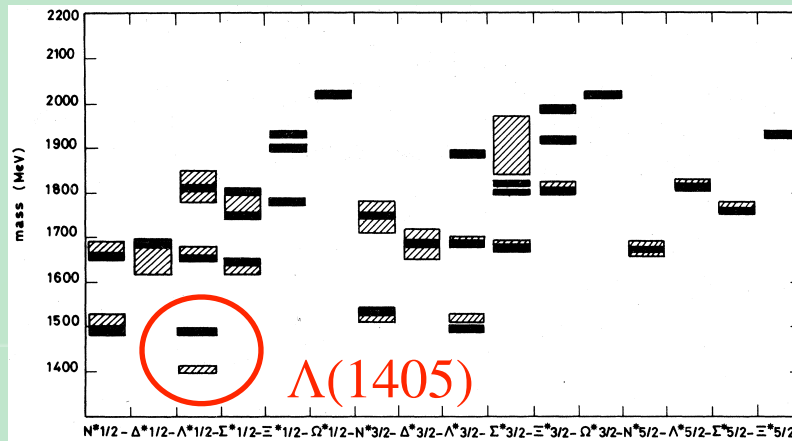
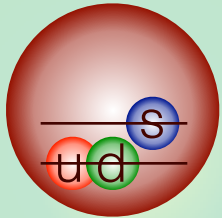
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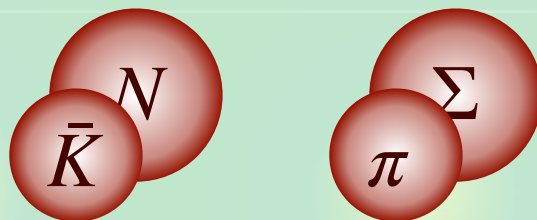


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Resonance in **coupled-channel** scattering

- Coupling to MB: chiral SU(3) dynamics



energy ↑

—  $\bar{K}N$  threshold

▨  $\Lambda(1405)$

—  $\pi\Sigma$  threshold

# Coupled-channel effects

## Schrödinger equation (s-wave)

$$\begin{pmatrix}
 \frac{-1}{2\mu_1} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} + V_{11}(r) + V_C(r) & V_{12}(r) & \dots \\
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 \vdots & \vdots & \ddots
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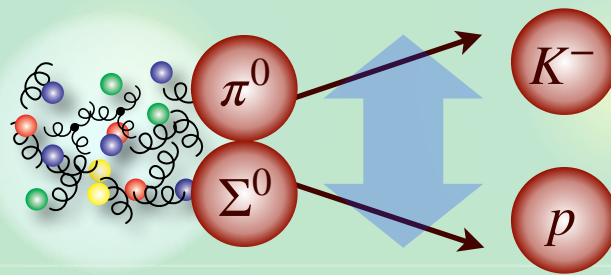
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## Asymptotic ( $r \rightarrow \infty$ ) wave function (incoming + outgoing)

$$\begin{pmatrix} \psi_{K^-p}(r) \\ \psi_{\bar{K}^0 n}(r) \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \propto \begin{pmatrix} S_{11}^\dagger e^{-iq_1 r} - e^{iq_1 r} \\ S_{12}^\dagger e^{-iq_2 r} - 0 \times e^{iq_2 r} \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \quad (r \rightarrow \infty)$$

- **Transition** from  $\bar{K}^0 n, \pi^+ \Sigma^-, \pi^0 \Sigma^0, \pi^- \Sigma^+, \pi^0 \Lambda$  is in  $\psi_i(r)$  with  $i \neq K^-p$



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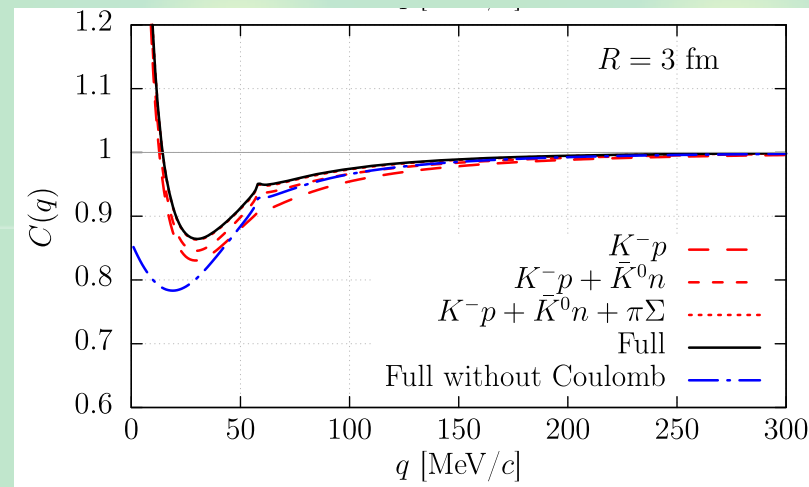
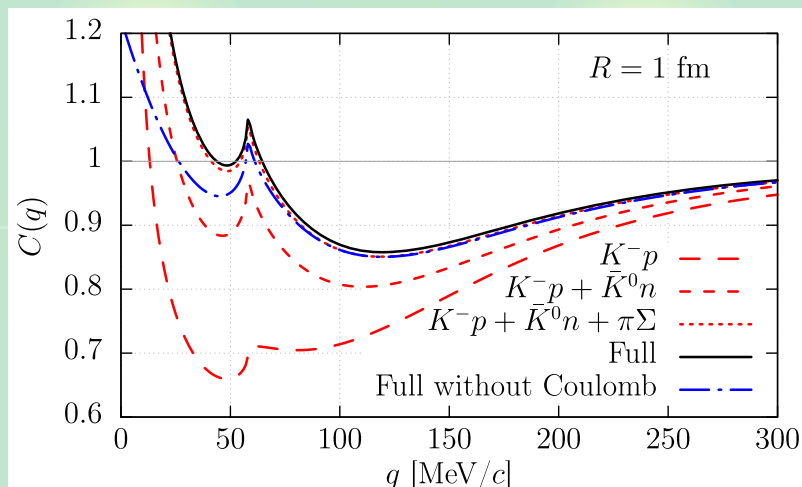
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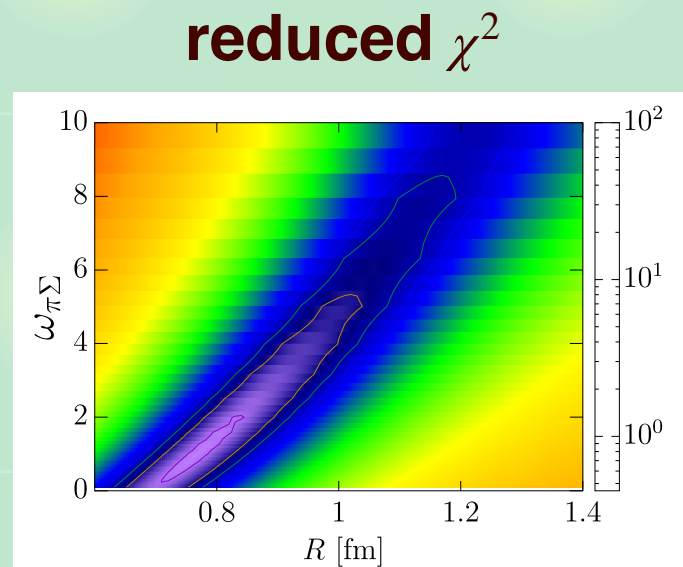
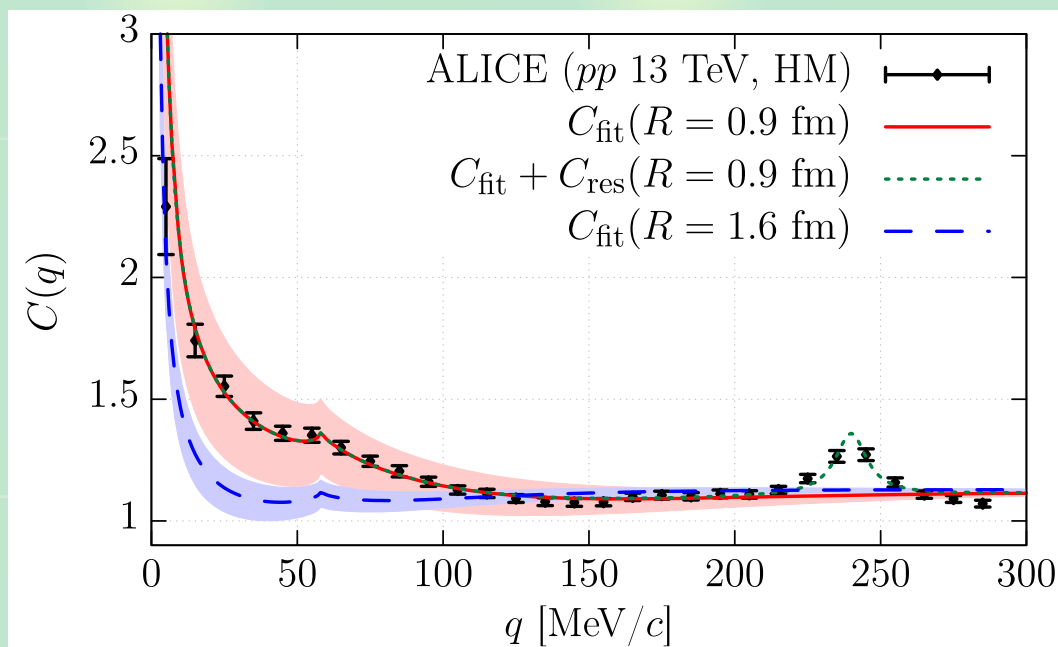
Coupled-channel effect is enhanced for **small sources**

# Correlation from chiral SU(3) dynamics

Wave function  $\Psi_{i,q}^{(-)}(r)$ : Kyoto  $\bar{K}N-\pi\Sigma-\pi\Lambda$  potential

K. Miyahara, T. Hyodo, W. Weise, PRC98, 025201 (2018)

- Source function  $S(r)$ : gaussian,  $R \sim 1$  fm from  $K^+p$  data
- Source weight  $\omega_{\pi\Sigma} \sim 2$  by simple statistical model estimate



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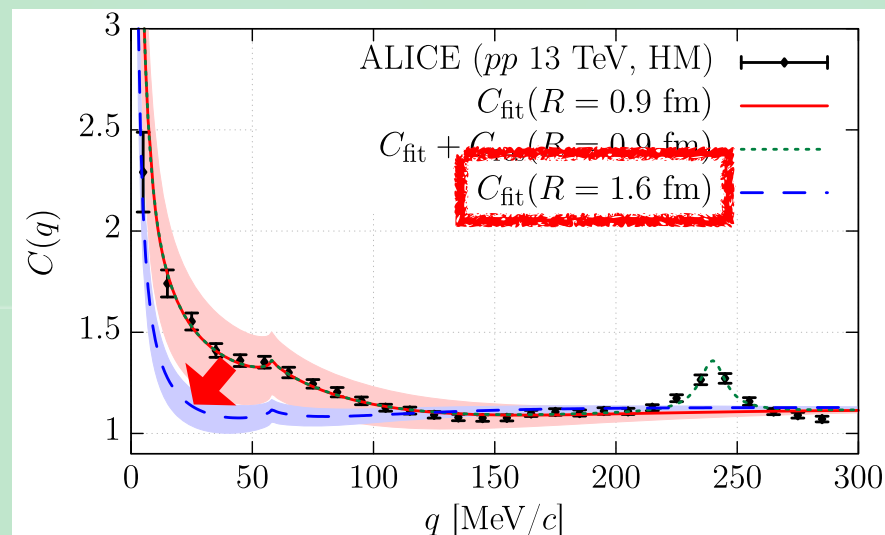
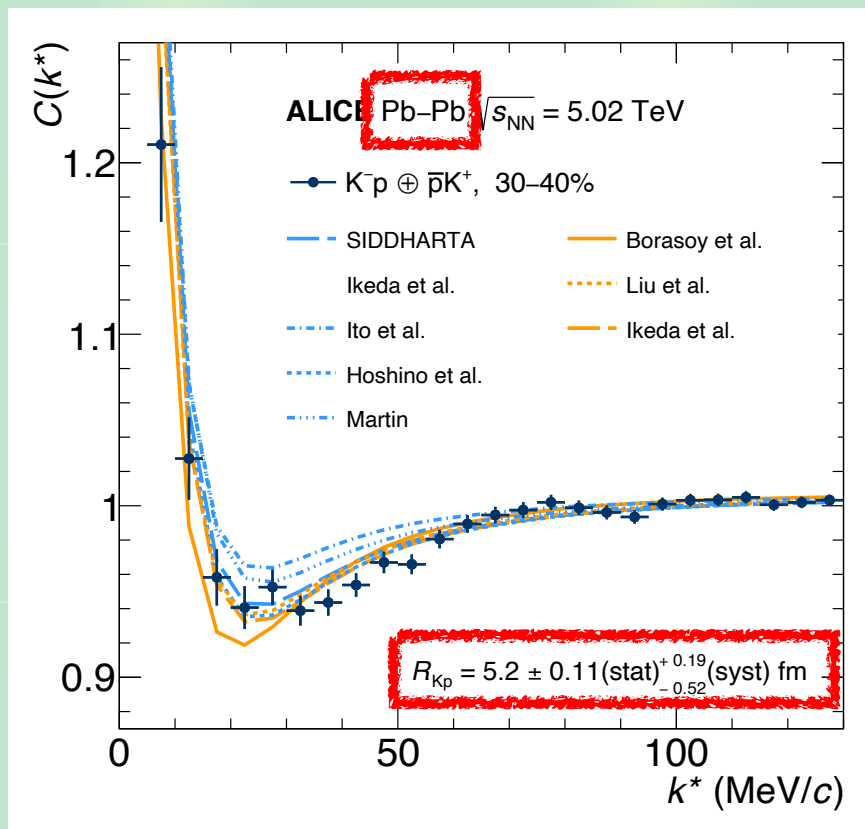
Correlation is **well reproduced** by chiral SU(3) potential

# Large source case

New data with Pb-Pb collisions at 5.02 TeV

ALICE collaboration, PLB 822, 136708 (2021)

- Scattering length  $a_{K^-p} = -0.91 + 0.92i$  fm



Correlation is suppressed at larger  $R$ , as predicted

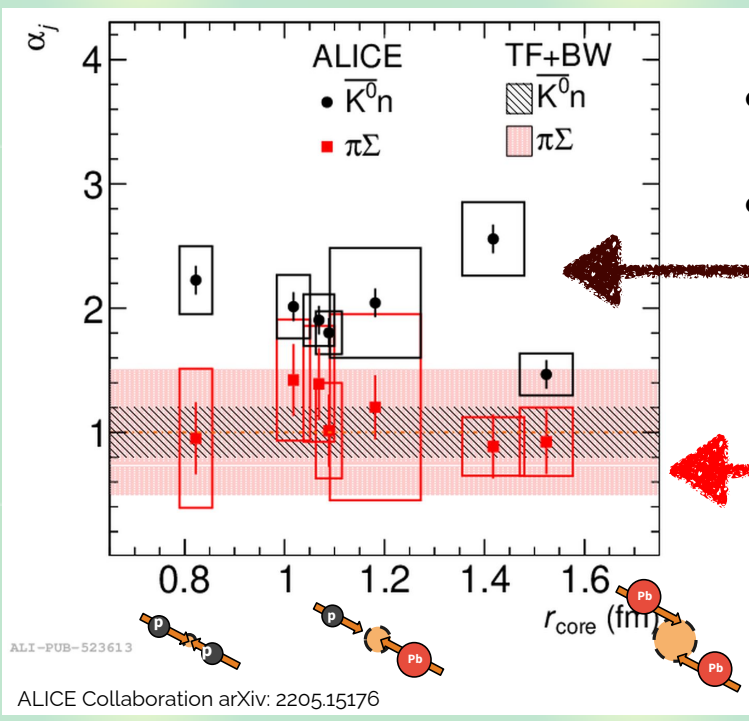
# Systematic study of source size dependence

Correlations in  $pp$ ,  $p$ -Pb, Pb-Pb by Kyoto  $\bar{K}N-\pi\Sigma-\pi\Lambda$  potential

ALICE collaboration, EPJC 83, 340 (2023)

$$C_{K^-p}(\mathbf{q}) \simeq \int d^3\mathbf{r} S_{K^-p}(\mathbf{r}) |\Psi_{K^-p,q}^{(-)}(\mathbf{r})|^2 + \sum_{i \neq K^-p} \alpha_i \omega_i \int d^3\mathbf{r} S_i(\mathbf{r}) |\Psi_{i,q}^{(-)}(\mathbf{r})|^2$$

$\omega_i$ : expected weight by Thermal Fist + Blast Wave




enhancement needed to explain data

expected weight is OK

More strength is needed in the  $\bar{K}^0n$  channel

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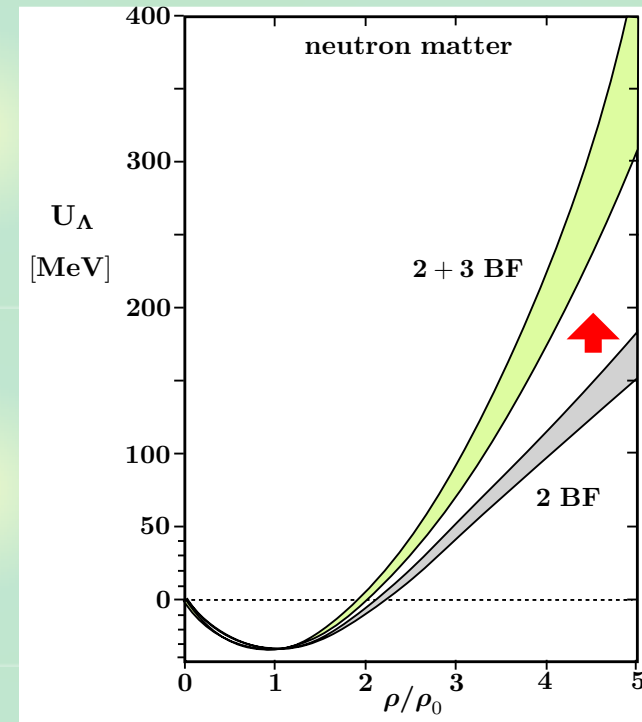
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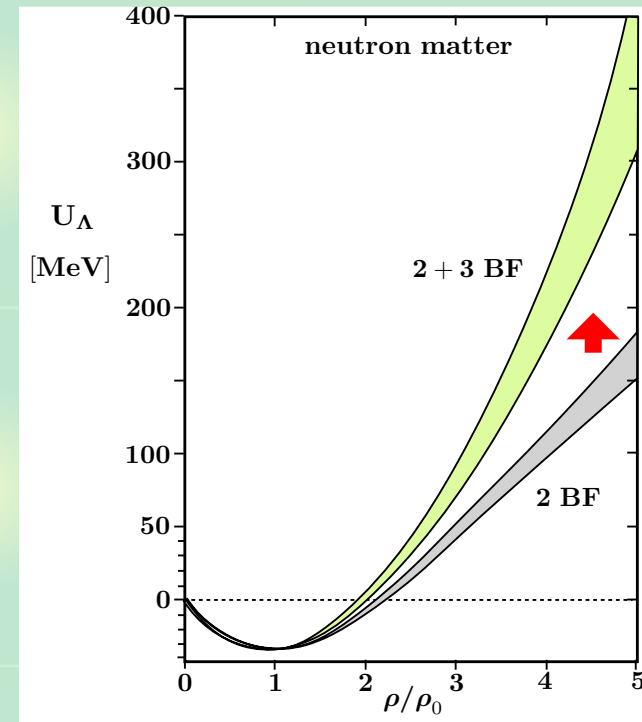
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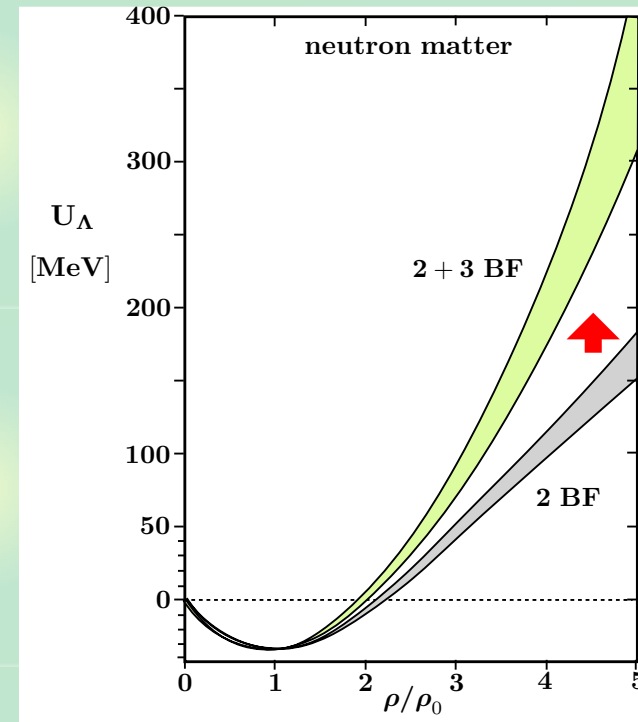
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## $\Lambda$ -nucleus correlation function?

- Heavy nuclei are difficult to produce
- Strong binding of  $\alpha$ : two-body treatment justified



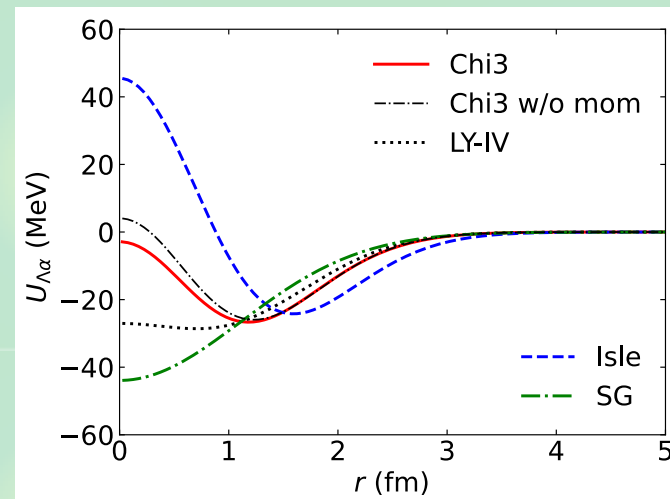
$\Lambda\alpha$  correlation function  $\rightarrow$  **nature of  $\Lambda\alpha$  potential?**

# $\Lambda\alpha$ potentials

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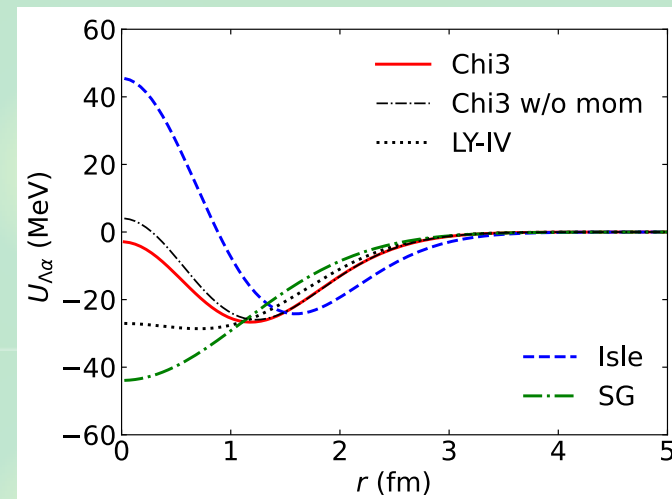
- **LY4**: phenomenorogical

D.E. Lanskoy, Y. Yamamoto, PRC 55, 2330 (1997)

- **Chi3**: based on chiral EFT with  $\Lambda NN$  force

A. Jinno, K. Murase, Y. Nara, A. Ohnishi, PRC 108, 065803 (2023)

- Both potentials reproduce hypernuclear data from C to Pb
- $\alpha$  density distribution  $\rightarrow \Lambda\alpha$  potentials

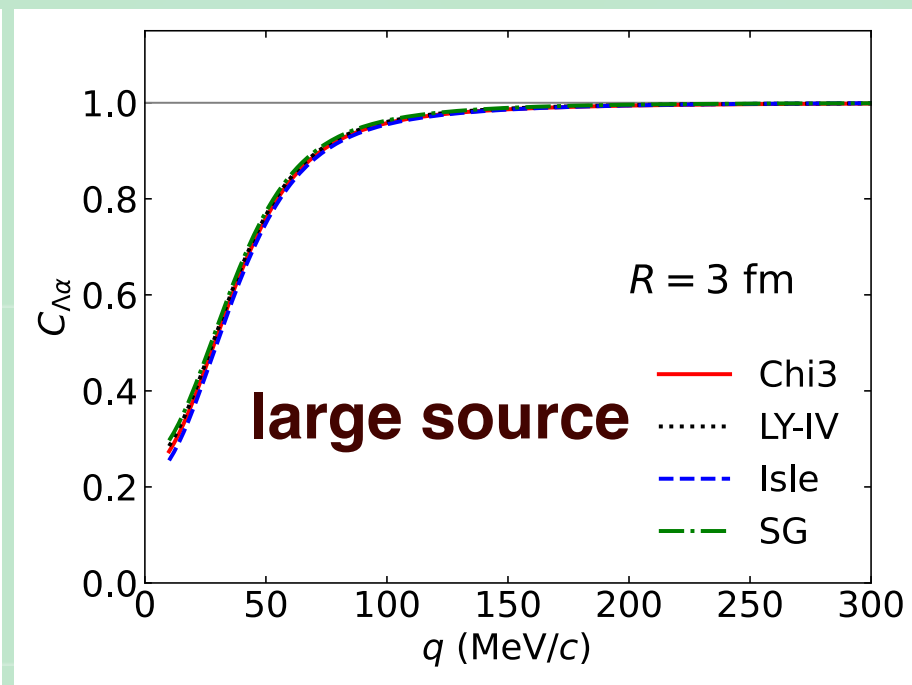
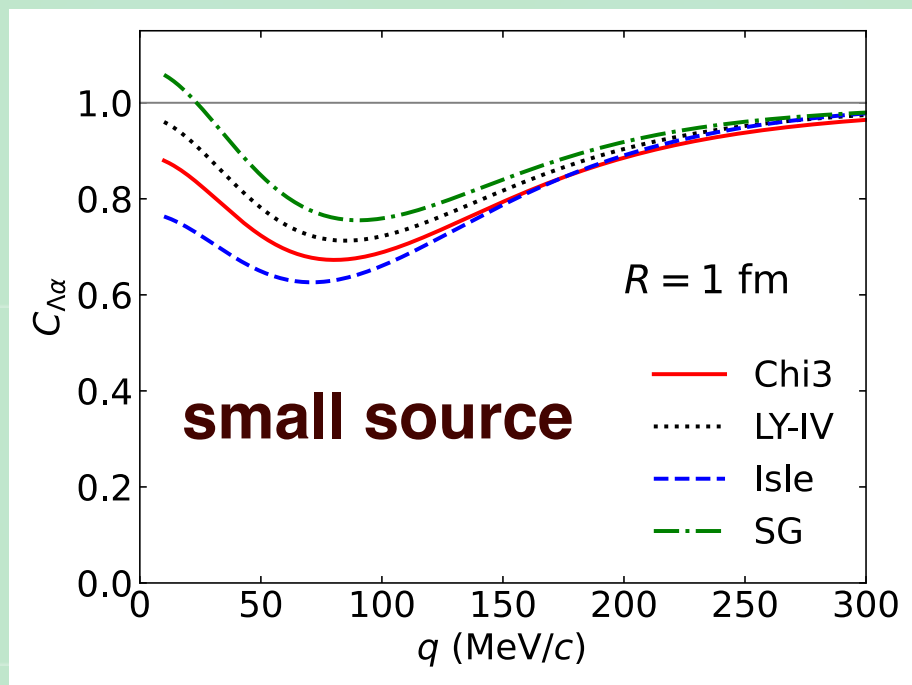


Effect of repulsive core  $\rightarrow$  correlation function?

# $\Lambda\alpha$ correlation functions: source size dependence

## Correlation functions from small and large sources

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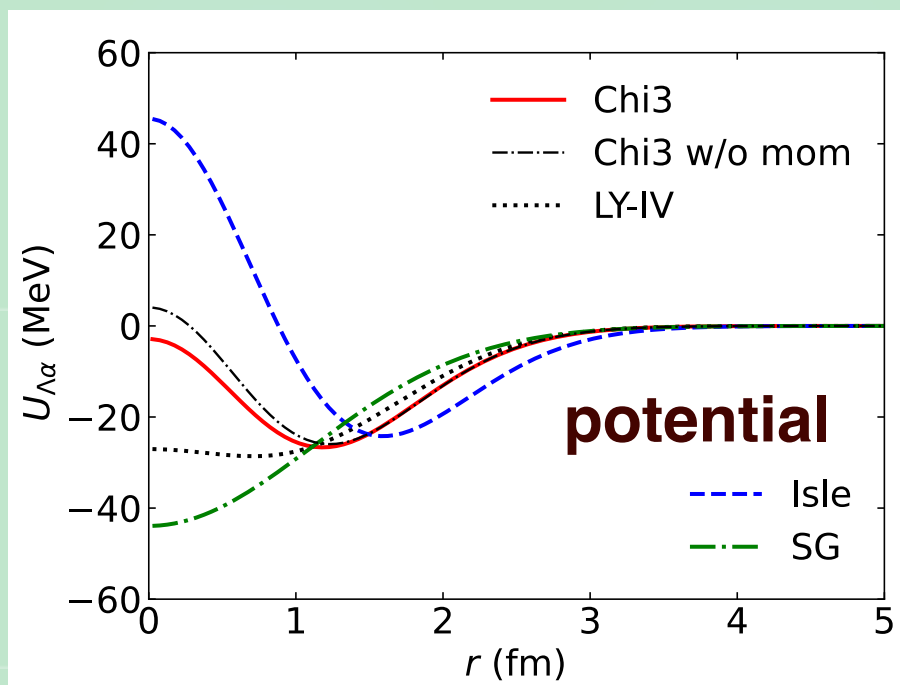
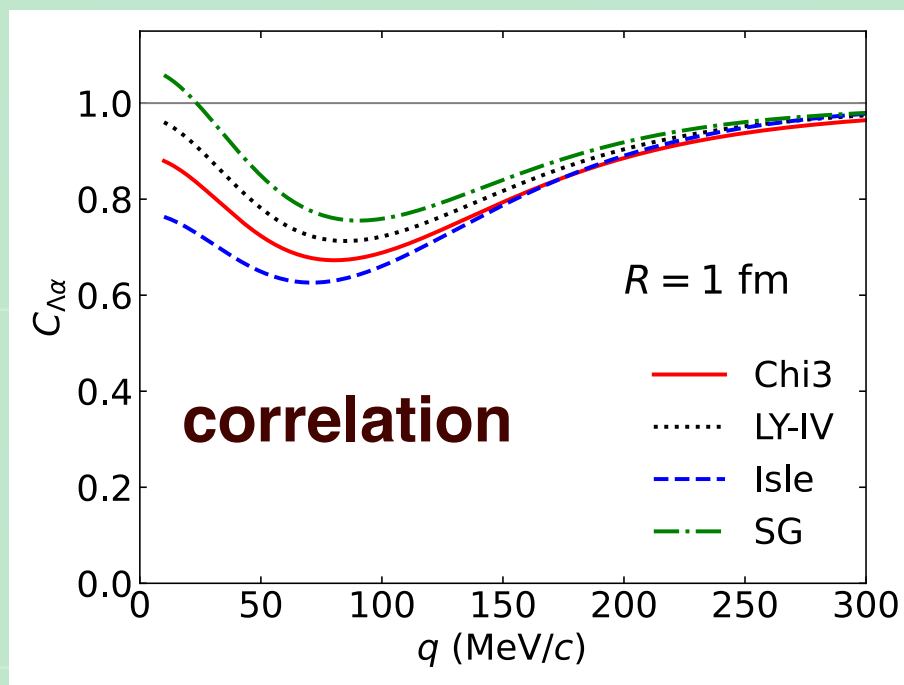


- Bound state signature (dip at low  $q$  in small source)
- No difference in large source ( $R \sim 3$  fm)
- **Potential dependence** in small source ( $R \sim 1$  fm)

# $\Lambda\alpha$ correlation functions: potential dependence

## Correlation functions and $\Lambda\alpha$ potentials

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-  $U_{\Lambda\alpha}(r = 0)$ : **Isle** > **LY-IV** > **Chi3** > **SG**

-  $C_{\Lambda\alpha}(q = 0)$ : **Isle** < **LY-IV** < **Chi3** < **SG**

- **Central repulsion suppresses correlation at low  $q$**

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**Femtoscscopy: novel and useful method to study interactions of exotic hadrons and nuclei**

- unique tool to study **charm sector**



**$K^-p$  correlations**

- precise test for  $\Lambda(1405)$  and  $\bar{K}N$  interactions

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**$\Lambda\alpha$  correlations**

- hint for repulsive core in  $\Lambda\alpha$  interaction

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# Hadron2025

Hadron 2025 conference will be held in **Osaka**

- **March 27-31, 2025**
- **Registration will be open soon**

<https://hadron2025.rcnp.osaka-u.ac.jp/>



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# HADRON2025

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## LL formula

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- **s-wave interaction only**

- **zero-range interaction :  $R \gg R_{\text{int}}$  (use asymptotic w.f.)**

$$C(q) = 1 + \frac{|f(q)|^2}{2R^2} F_3(r_e/R) + \frac{2\text{Re } f(q)}{\sqrt{\pi}R} F_1(2qR) - \frac{\text{Im } f(q)}{R} F_2(2qR)$$

-  $F_i(x)$  : **known functions,  $f(q)$  : s-wave scattering amplitude**

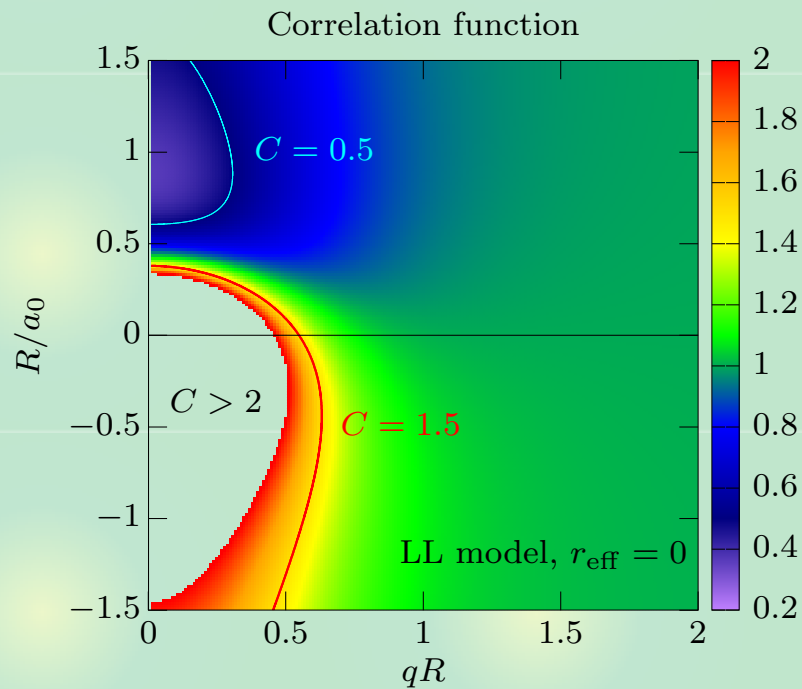
**S. Cho, et al., ExHIC collaboration, PPNP 95, 279 (2017)**

$$f(q) = \frac{1}{q \cot \delta - iq} \simeq \frac{1}{-\frac{1}{a_0} + \frac{r_e}{2}q^2 - iq}$$

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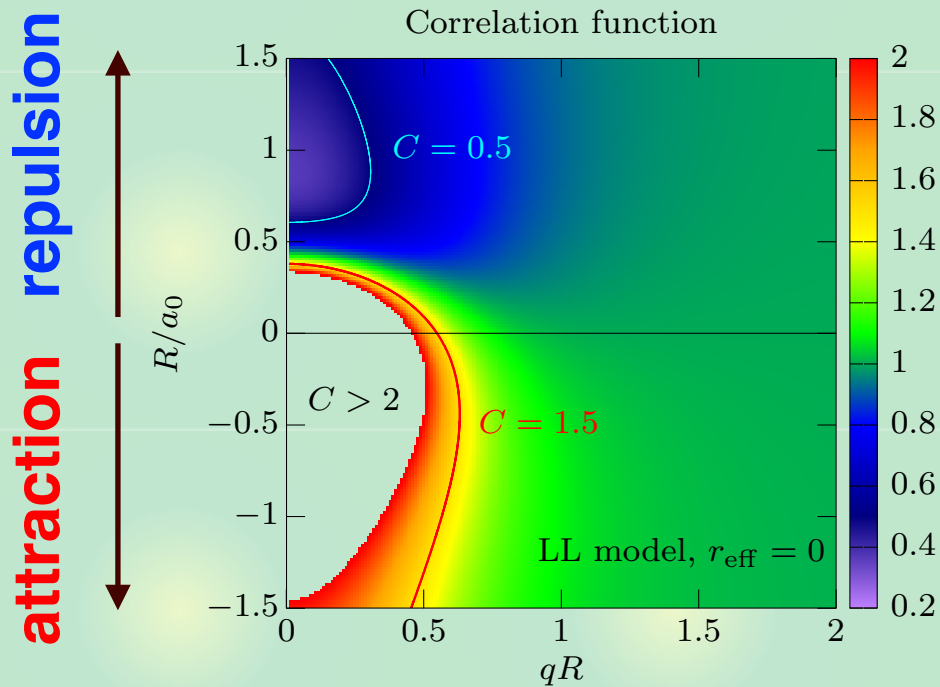


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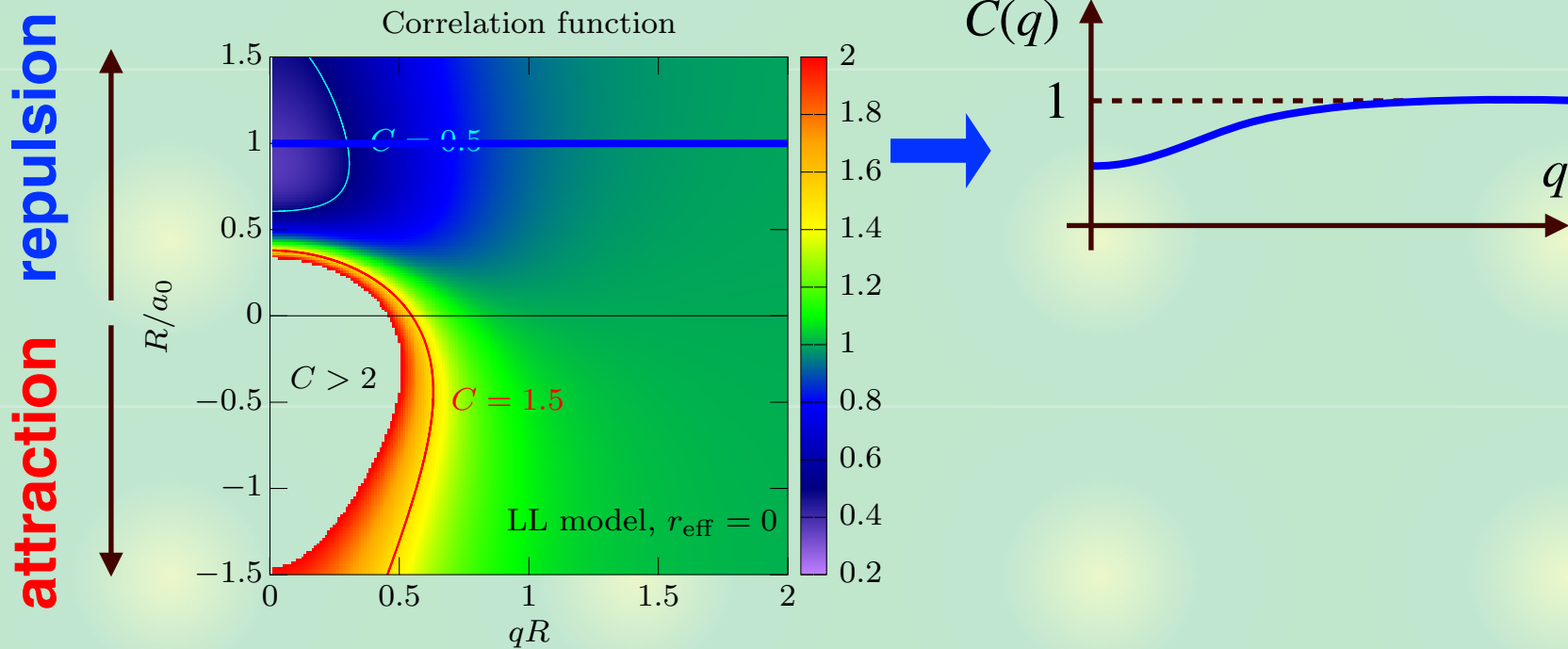


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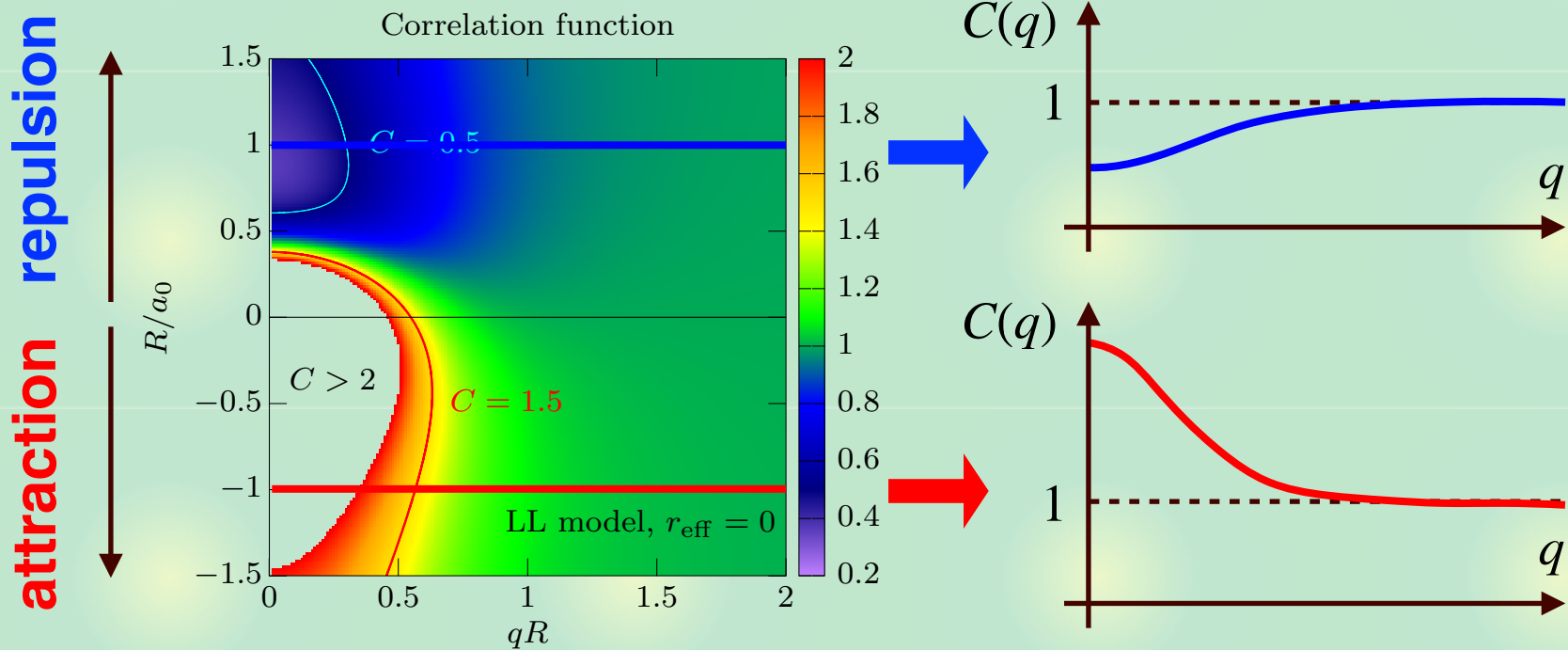


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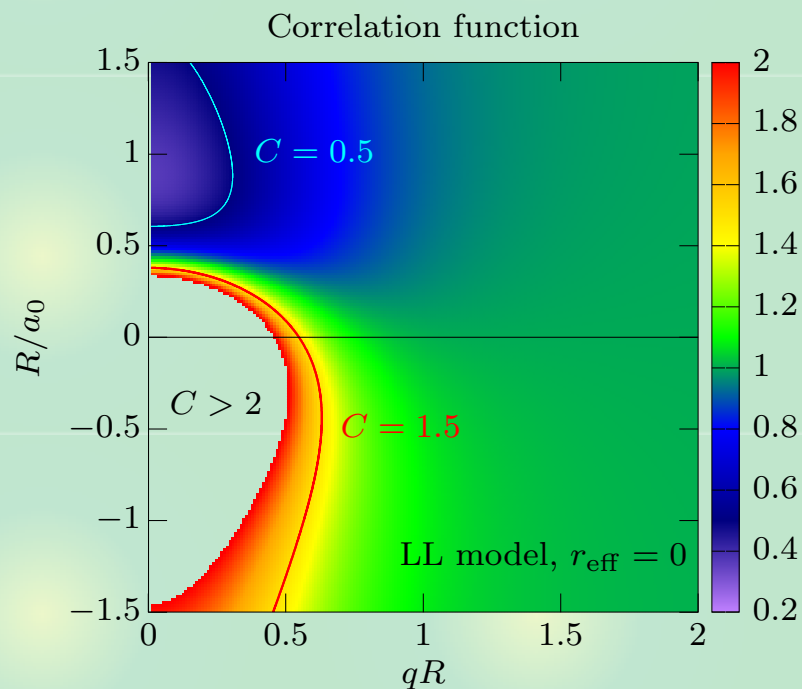


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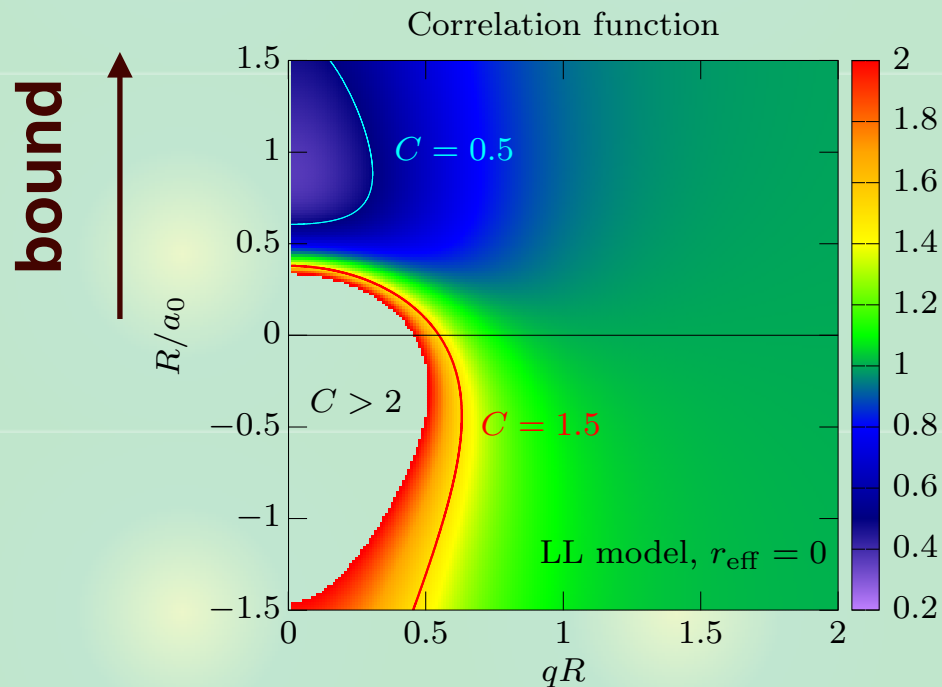


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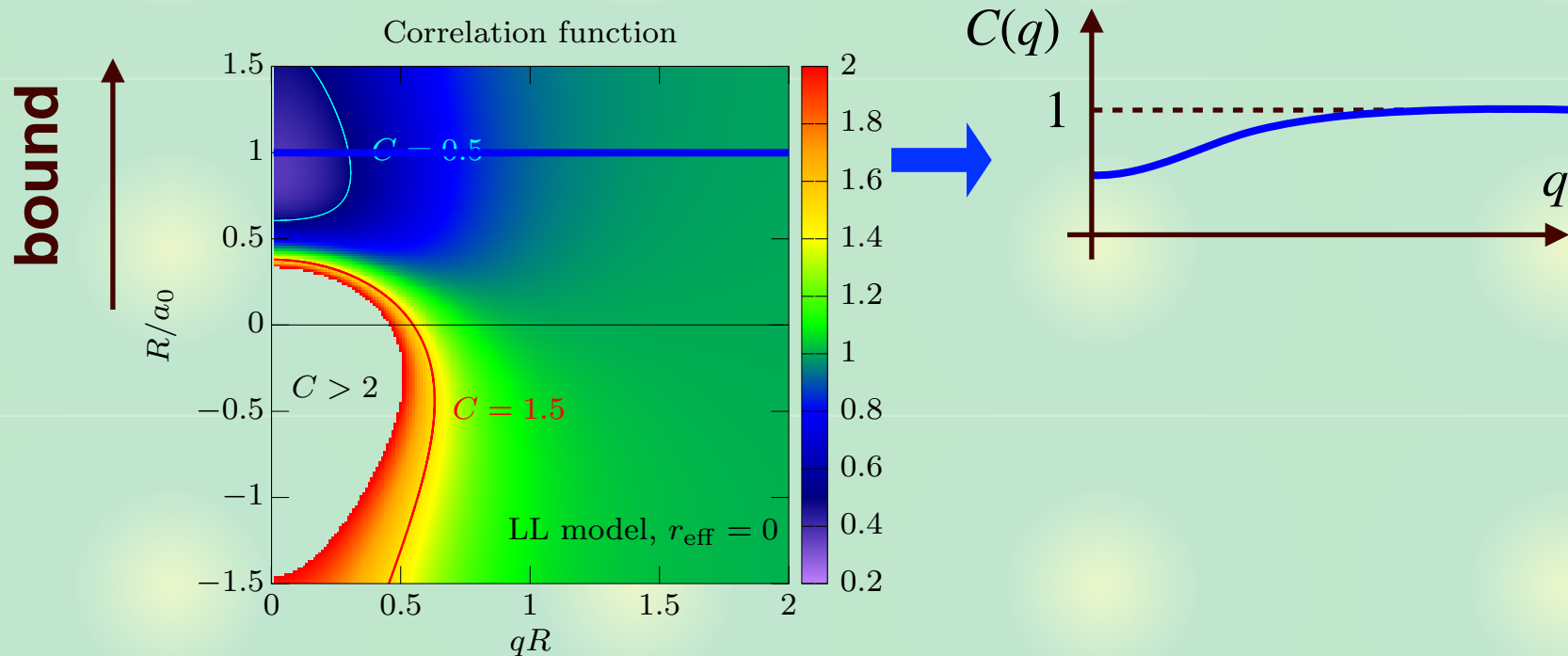


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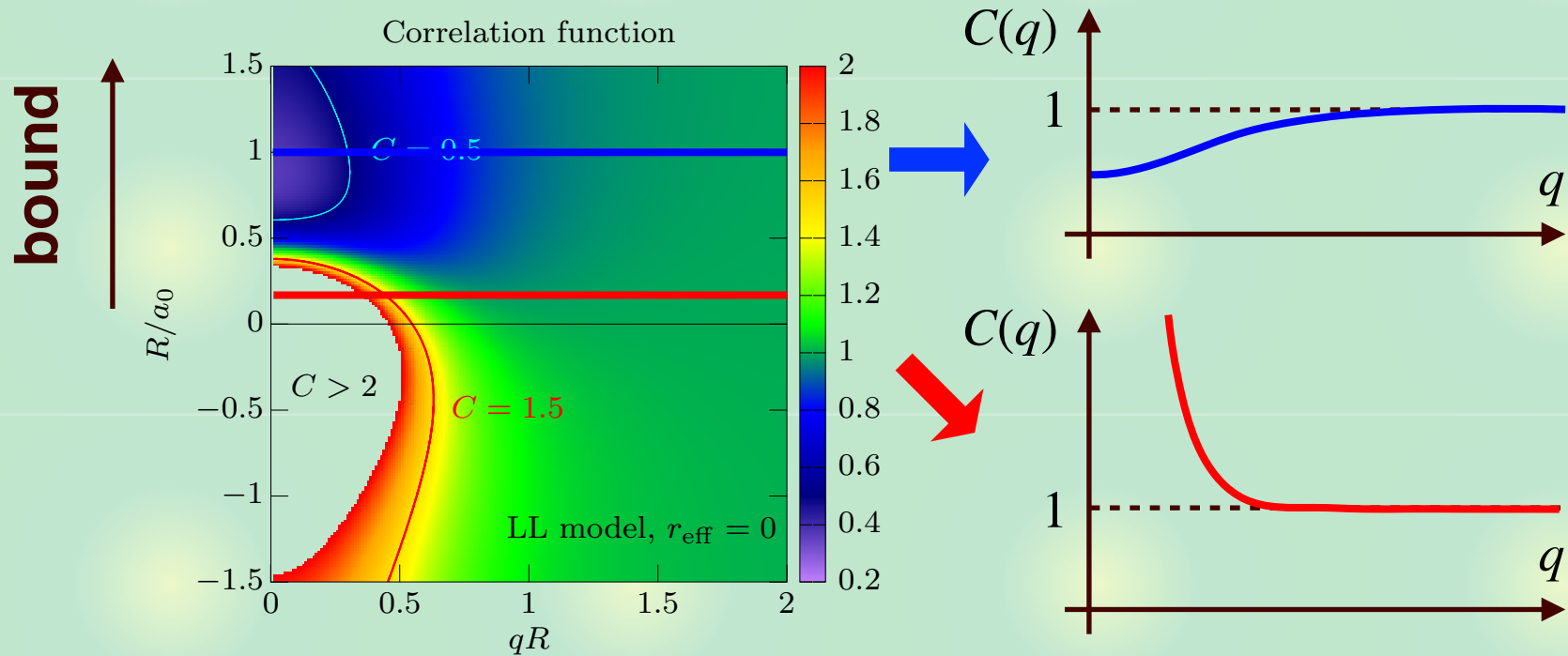


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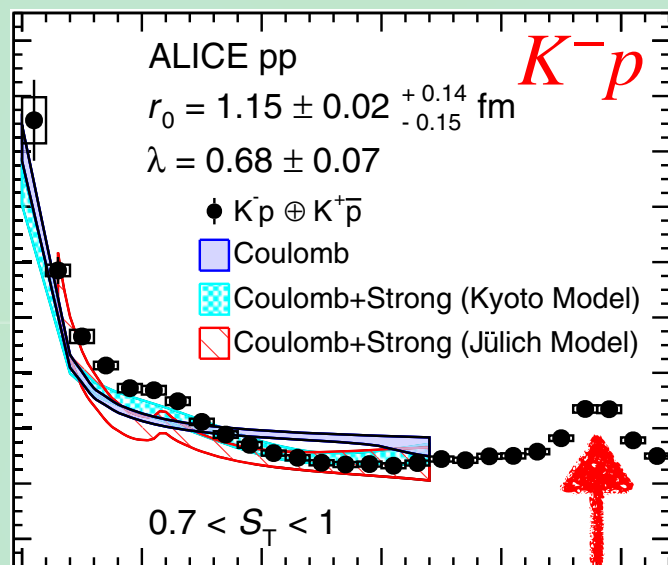


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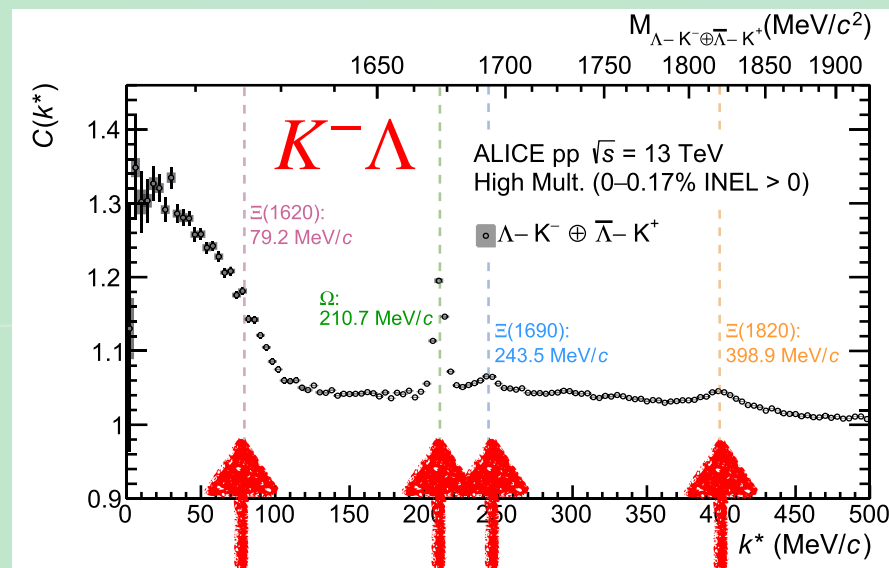
# Higher partial waves and resonance contributions

Resonances in  $\ell = 0$  and in  $\ell \neq 0$  are seen

- Simple Breit-Wigner function has been used



$\Lambda(1520)$  : d-wave



$\Xi(1620), \Xi(1690)$ : s-wave

$\Omega$  : p-wave (weak decay)

$\Xi(1820)$ : d-wave

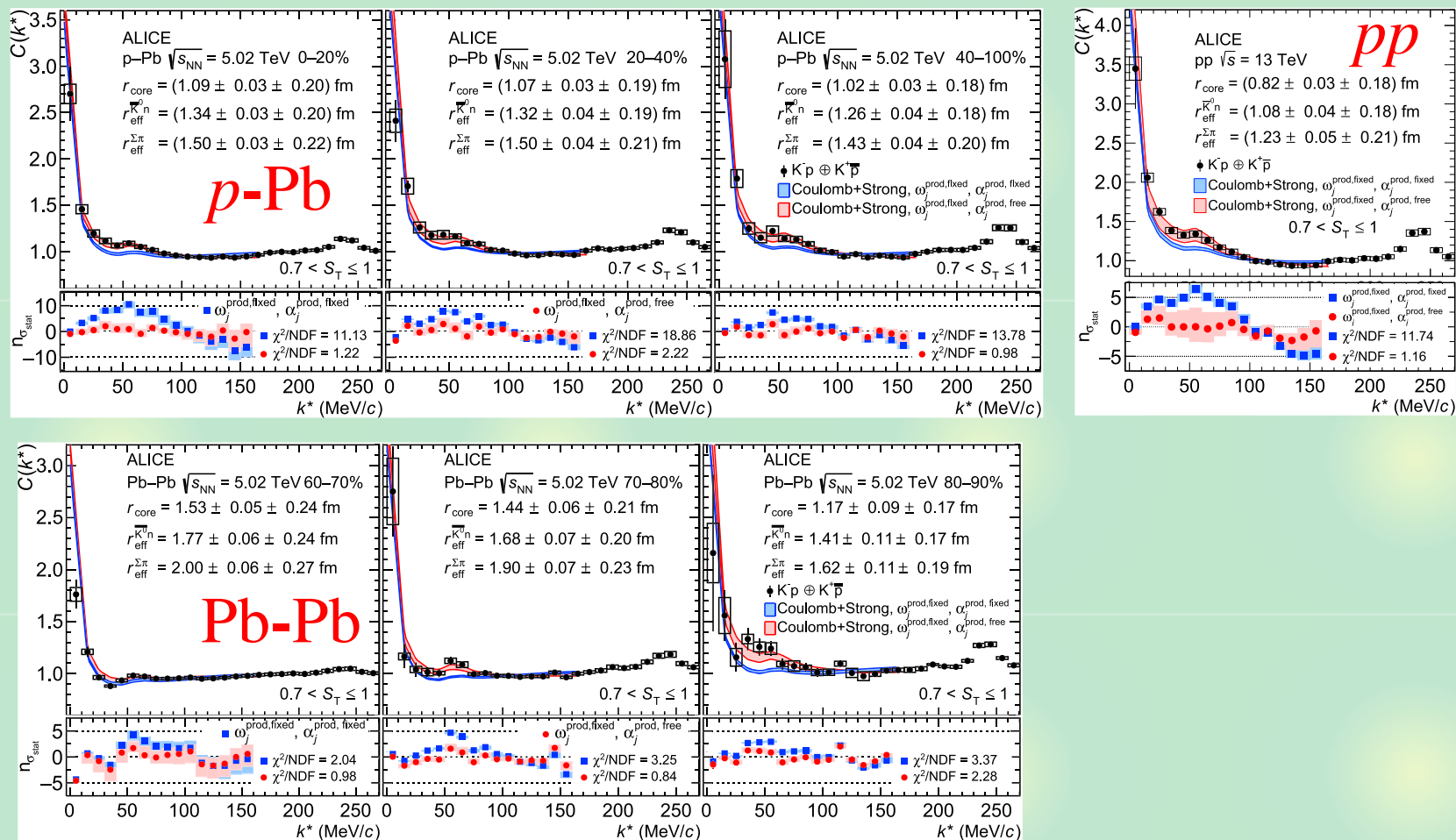
## Questions

- Contribution from higher partial waves?
- Is Breit-Wigner function fine for resonance?

# Systematic study of source size dependence

## Correlations in $pp$ , $p$ -Pb, Pb-Pb by Kyoto $\bar{K}N$ - $\pi\Sigma$ - $\pi\Lambda$ potential

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## Correlations with different source size