

Constraining Hyperon-Nucleon and Hyperon-Hyperon interactions with femtoscopy in ALICE

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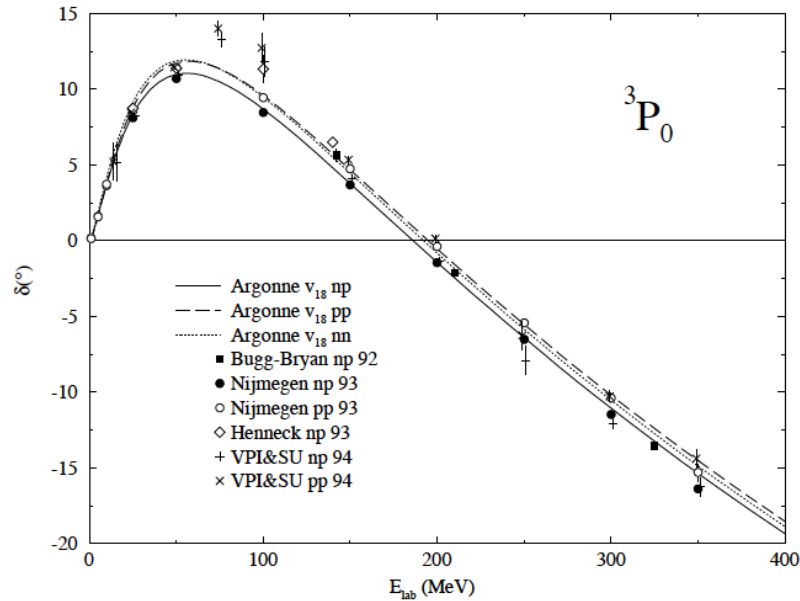


Outline

- Short motivation
- Constraining the particle source
- Testing models with hadronic degrees of freedom
- Benchmarking lattice QCD
- Outlook

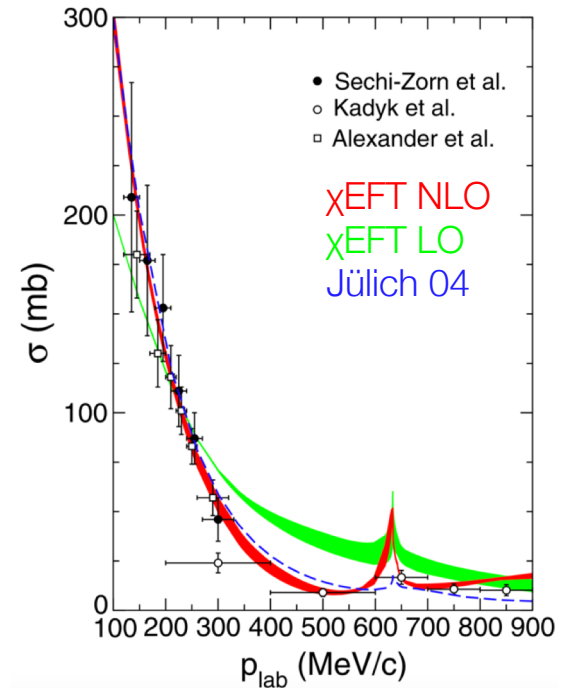
Strong interaction among (strange) hadrons

$N-N \rightarrow N-N$



R. B. Wiringa, V. G. J. Stoks, R. Schiavilla, PRC 51 (1995) 38-51.

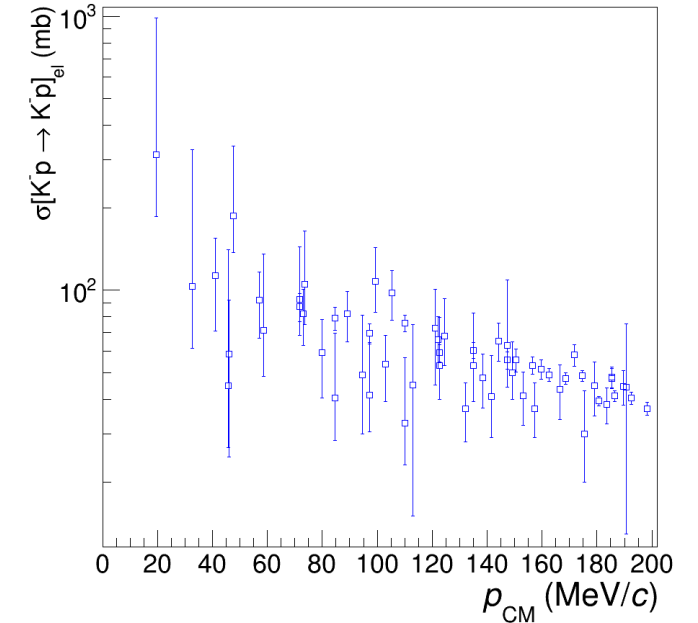
$p-\Lambda \rightarrow p-\Lambda$



LO: H. Polinder, J.Haidenbauer, U. Meißner, NPA 779 (2006) 244.

NLO: J.Haidenbauer., N.Kaiser *et al.*, NPA 915 (2013) 24.

$p-K^- \rightarrow p-K^-$



M. Tanabashi et al. (Particle Data Group), PRD 98, 030001 (2018).

- (High precision) measurements conducted with scattering experiments

Theoretical predictions

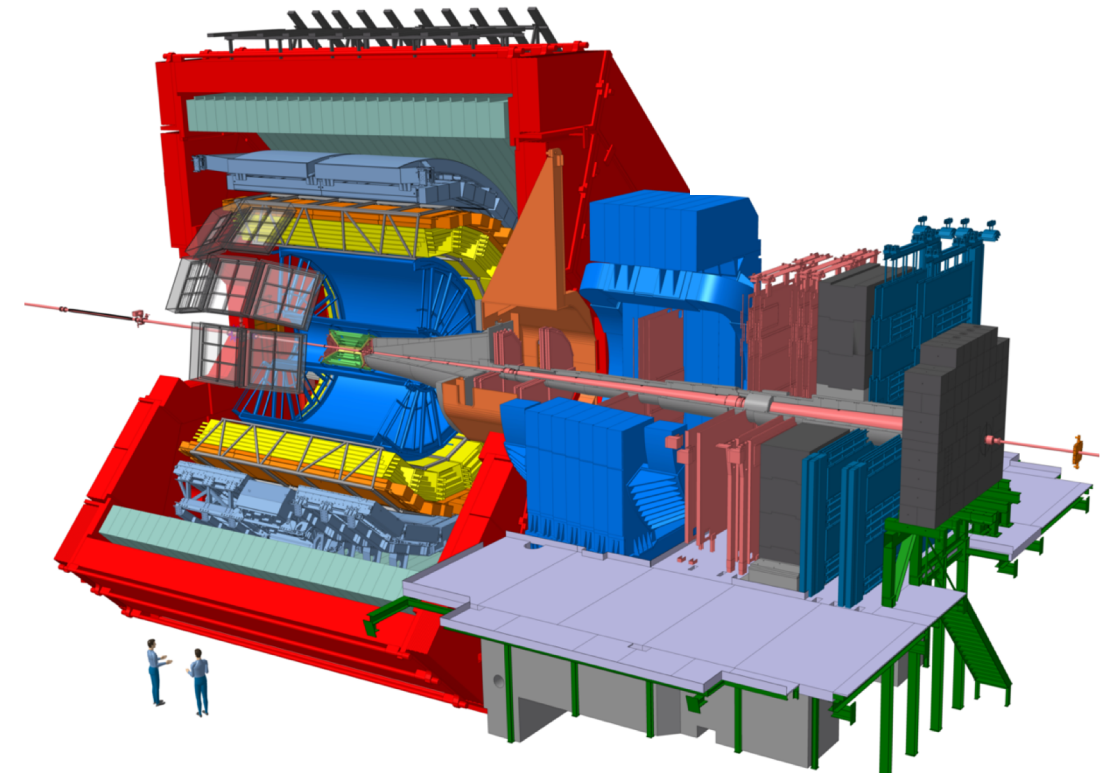
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ALICE – A Large Ion Collider Experiment

- Excellent particle identification in large kinematic range with the TPC (dE/dx) and TOF
- Direct detection of charged particles (p , K , π)
- Reconstruction of hyperons
 - $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-$
 - $\Sigma^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\gamma$
 - $\Xi^- \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^-$
 - $\Omega^- \rightarrow \Lambda K^-$



System	# events
pp 7 TeV	3.4×10^8 minimum bias
p-Pb 5.02 TeV	6.0×10^8 minimum bias
pp 13 TeV	15×10^8 minimum bias
	10×10^8 high multiplicity (0-0.072% INEL)

Run 1 (2009 – 2013)
Pb-Pb @ $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV
p-Pb @ $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV
pp @ $\sqrt{s} = 0.9, 2.76, 7, 8$ TeV

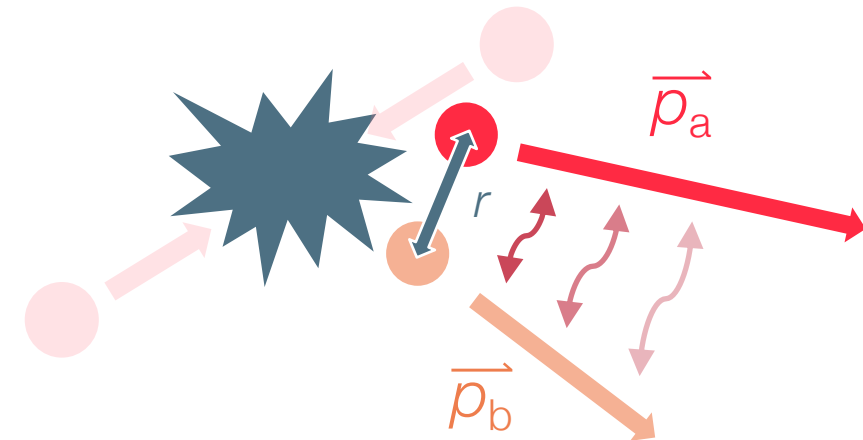
Run 2 (2015 – 2018)
Pb-Pb @ $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV
Xe-Xe @ $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.44$ TeV
p-Pb @ $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02, 8.16$ TeV
pp @ $\sqrt{s} = 5, 13$ TeV

Non-traditional femtoscopy to study the FSI

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Emission source Two-particle wave function

- Study correlations in the relative momentum k^* distribution of a particle pair
- Traditionally used to study the geometry of the emission source with particles of known interaction
- Reversing the paradigm of femtoscopy: Study the interaction among the particles
 - All detectable particle species can be studied!



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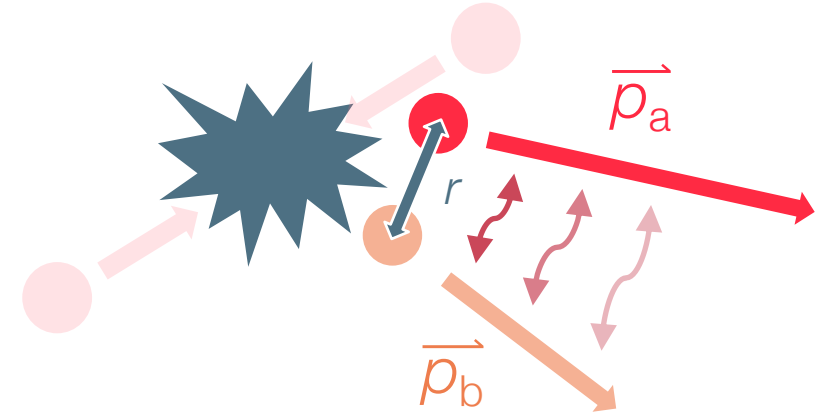
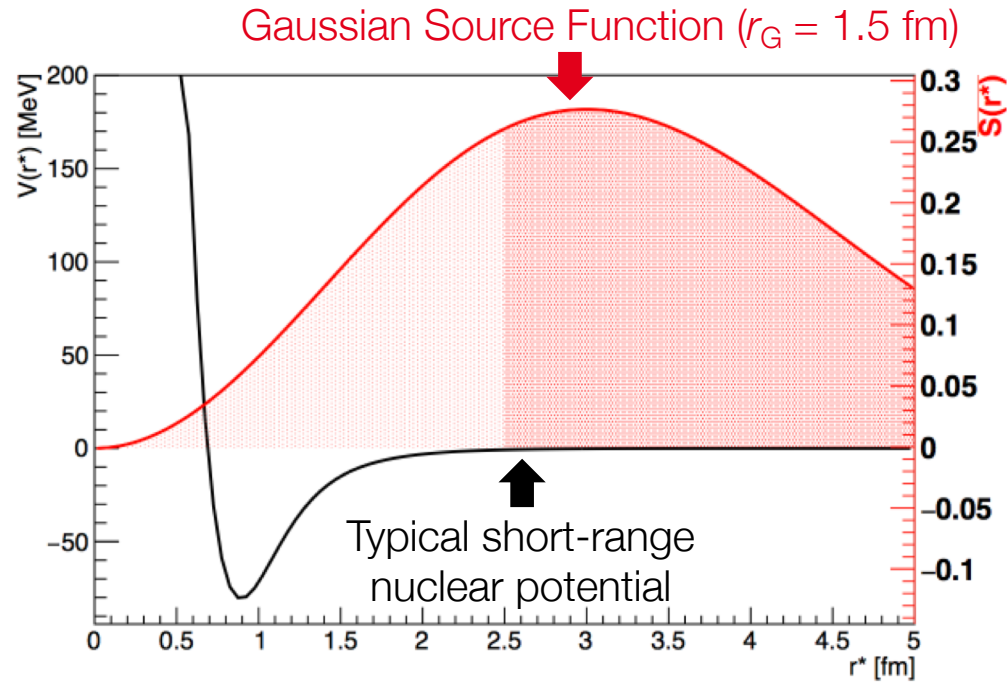
Emission source Two-particle wave function

- $C(k^*)$ can be evaluated
 - **numerically** using the **CATS framework** (D.L. Mihaylov et al, Eur. Phys. J. C78 (2018) no.5, 394)
Solves the Schrödinger equation for any strong interaction potential, Coulomb interaction and effects of quantum statistics
 - **analytically** using the **Lednický model** (R. Lednický and V.L. Lyuboshits, Sov. J. Nucl. Phys. 53, 770 (1982))
The interaction is modelled using the scattering length (f_0) and the effective range (d_0)
- Under the prerequisite that the source is known

Constraining the particle source

Using known interactions

The unique benefit of small sources



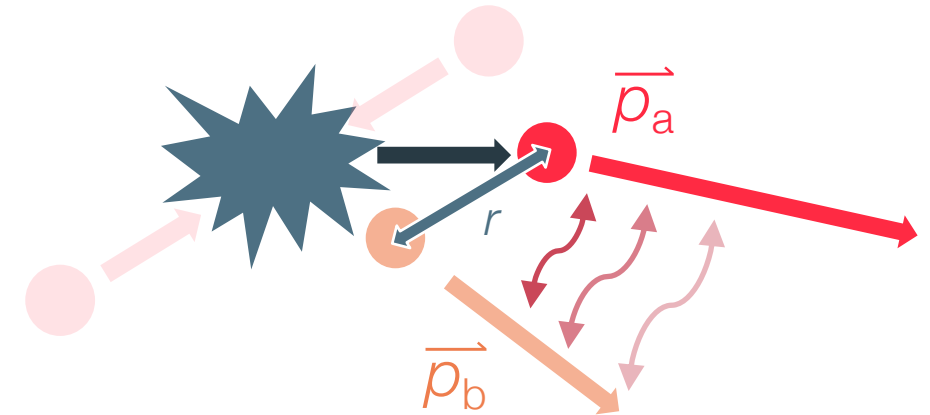
- Small particle-emitting source created in pp and p–Pb collisions at the LHC
 - Essential ingredient for detailed studies of the strong interaction
- **p–p correlation** is used to constrain the source, since Coulomb and Strong interactions are well known
- K^+ – p correlation is used as a cross-check since also for this channel the Coulomb and Strong interactions are known

(An)isotropic flow



- (An)isotropic pressure gradients affect the emission
 - Initial geometric anisotropies introduce a transverse modulation
 - Expanding source with *common velocity field*
- Affects particles depending on their mass

+ Strongly decaying resonances



- Resonances with $c\tau \sim r_0 \sim 1$ fm (Δ, N^*) introduce an *exponential tail* to the source
- Different for each particle species!

Collective effects and strongly decaying resonances

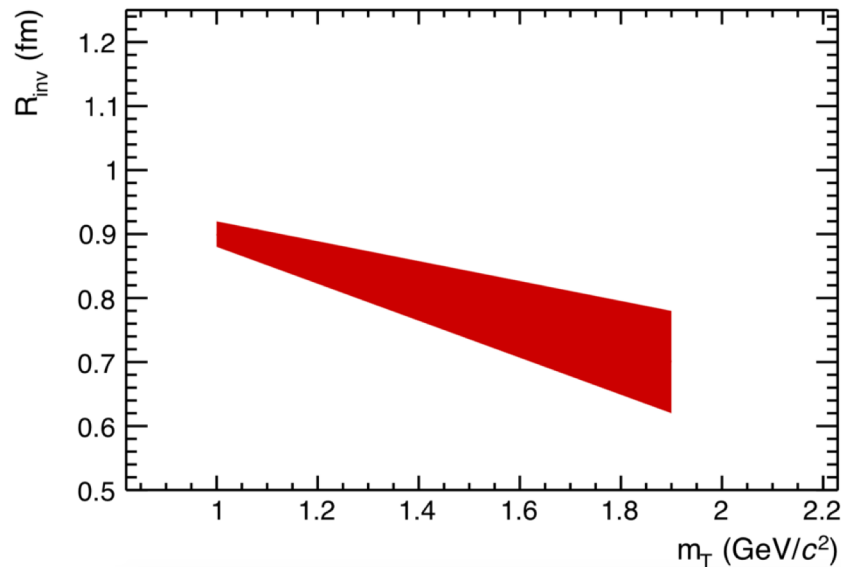
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Gaussian core



Exponential tail



Particle	Primordial fraction	Resonances	
		$1 < c\tau < 2$ fm	$c\tau > 2$ fm
Proton	33 %	56 %	2 %
Lambda	35 %	8 %	58 %

- Amount of resonances determined within the Statistical Hadronization Model in the canonical approach
- Priv. Comm. with Prof. F. Becattini
J.Phys. G38 (2011) 025002.

Application of the model to p-p correlations

(An)isotropic flow

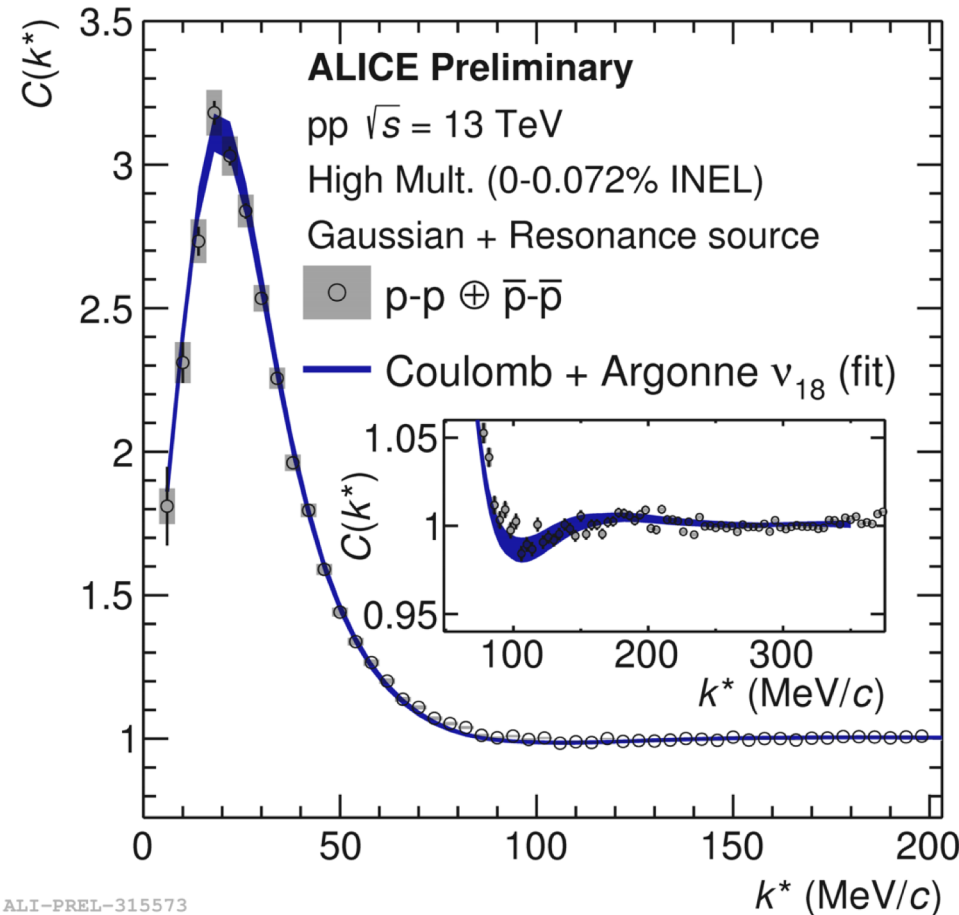
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Strongly decaying resonances

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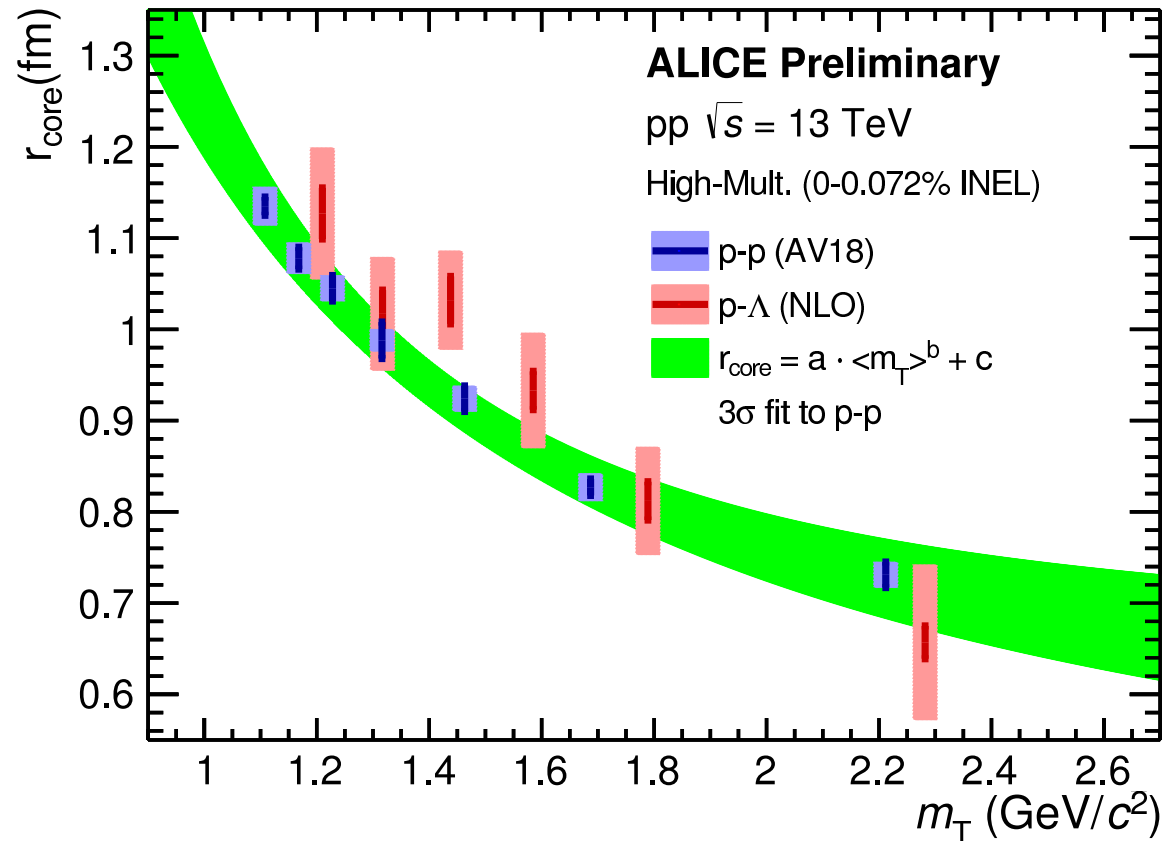


$$r_{\text{Core}} = 0.995 \pm 0.005 \begin{matrix} +0.024 \\ -0.022 \end{matrix} \text{ fm}$$

$$r_{\text{Eff}} = 1.332 \pm 0.006 \begin{matrix} +0.029 \\ -0.027 \end{matrix} \text{ fm}$$

m_T dependence of the Gaussian core radius

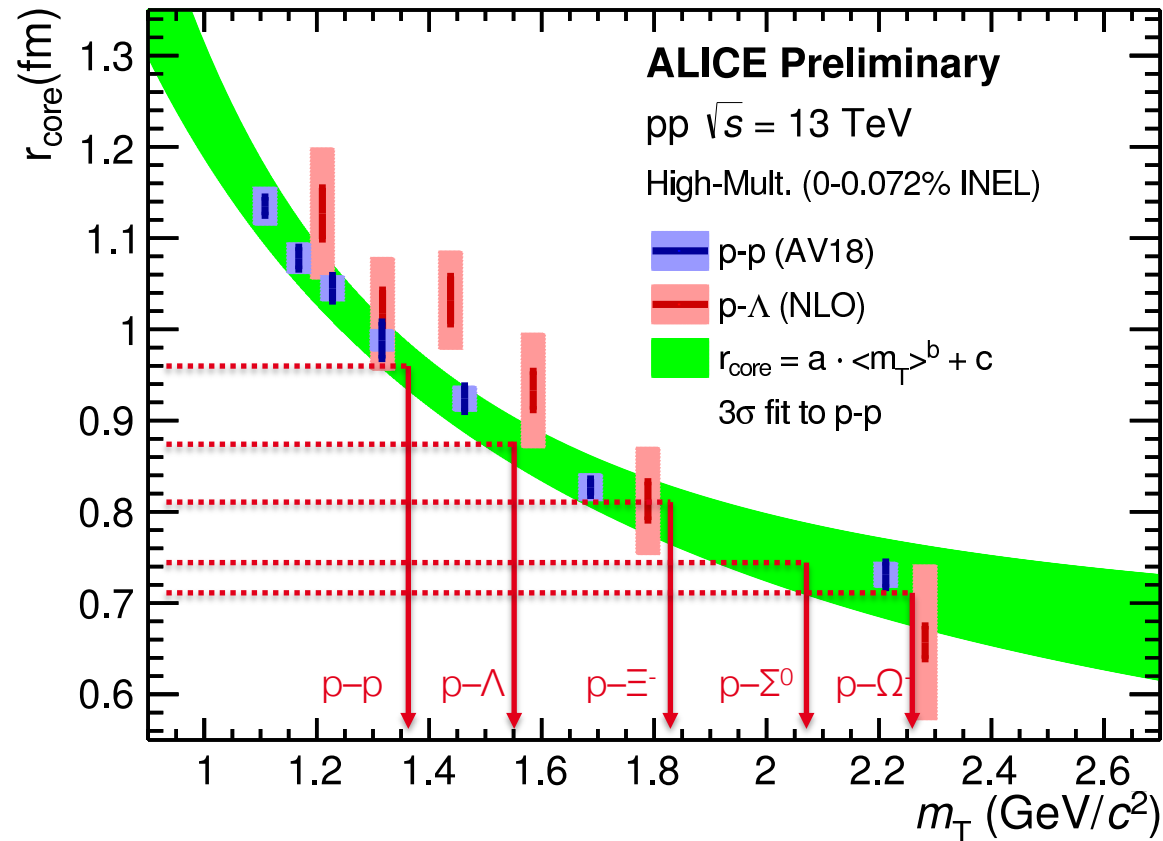
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- Core radius for p-p and p- Λ in good agreement
 - Observation of a universal particle-emitting source

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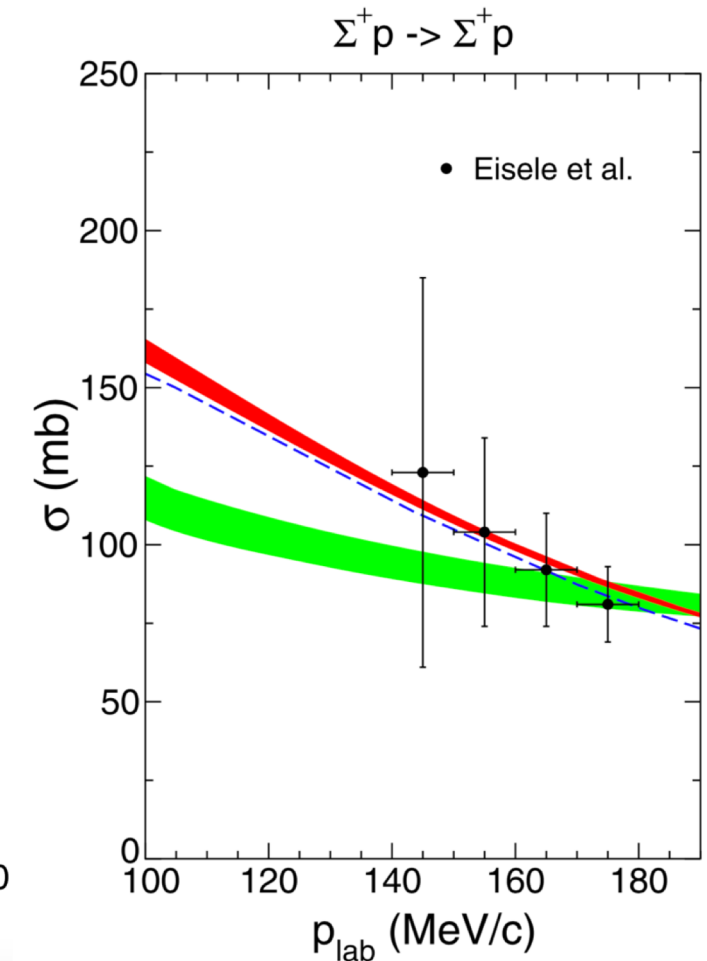
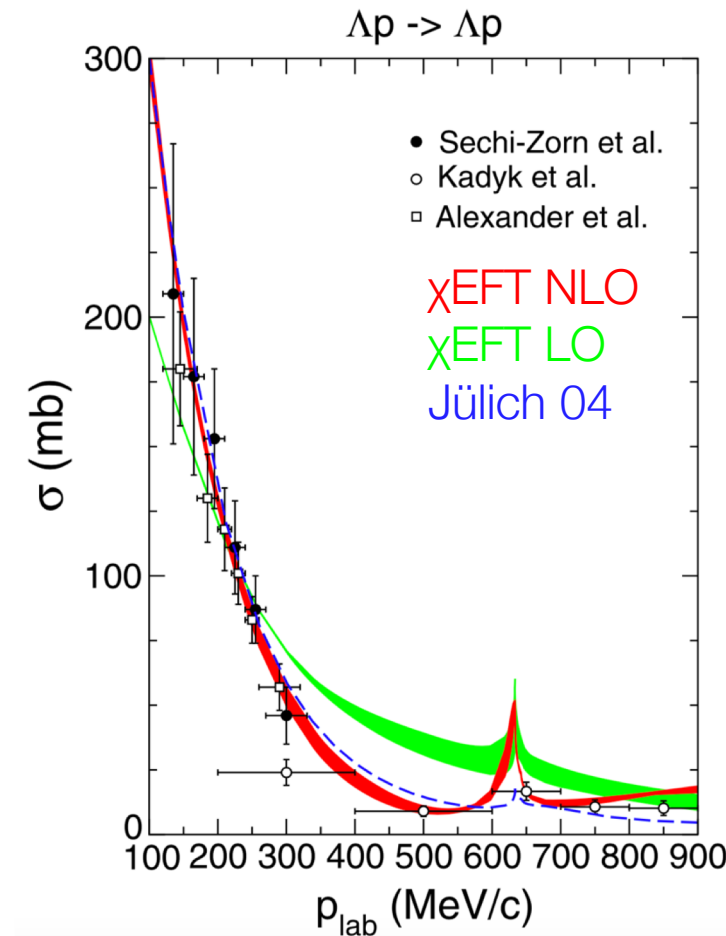
- Fix the value of r_{Core} of each particle species based on their $\langle m_T \rangle$

Testing models with hadronic degrees of freedom

The $|S| = 1$ sector

$|S| = 1$ sector – Λ and Σ baryons

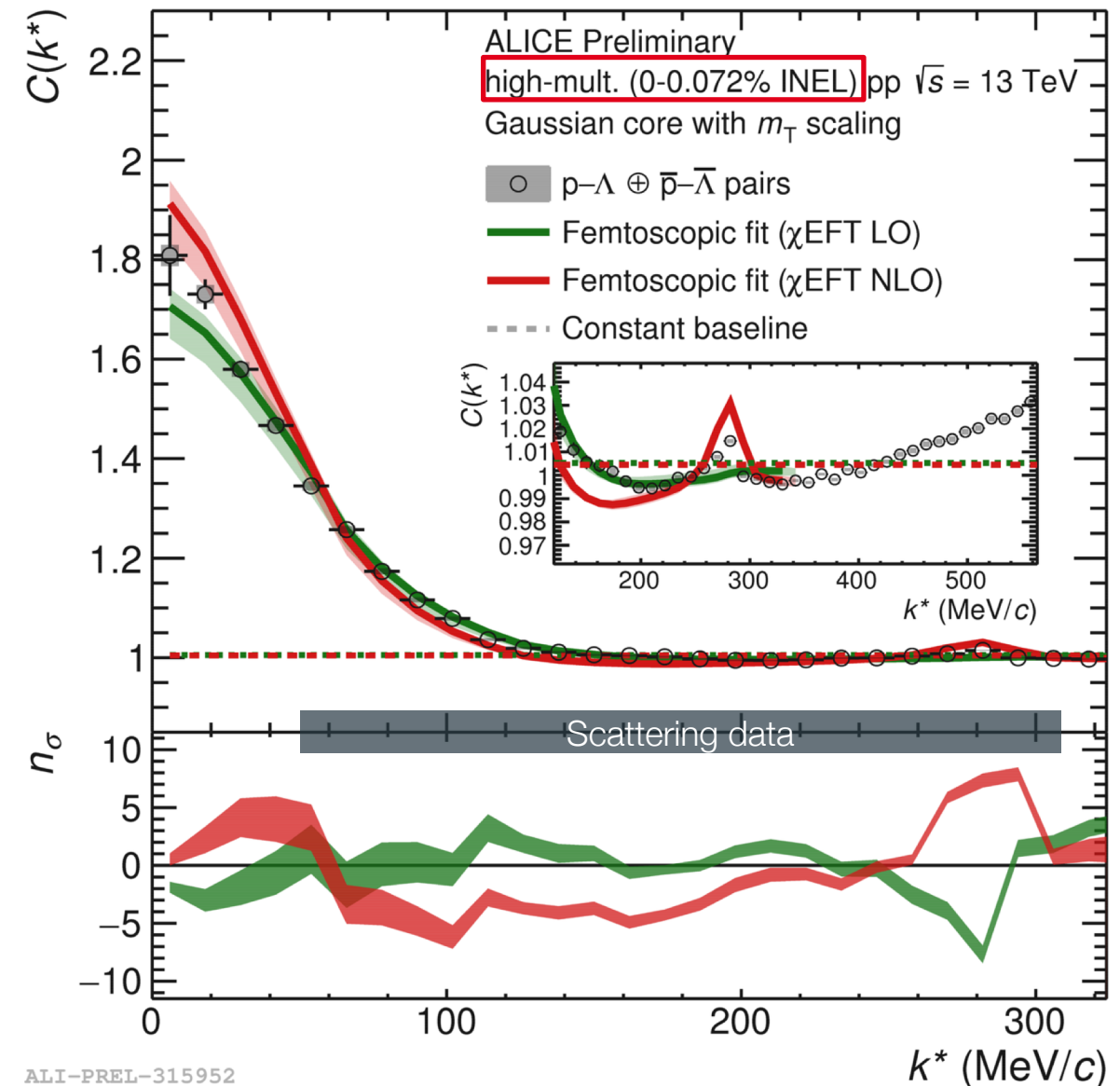
- Scarce experimental data
 - No constraints at lab momenta below 100 MeV/c
- Theoretical predictions for cusp in Λ -N due to the Σ -N - Λ -N coupling
 - Coupling introduces a repulsive short range component in the p - Λ interaction
 - Not experimentally confirmed so far



J. Haidenbauer et al., Nucl. Phys. A 915 (2013) 24.

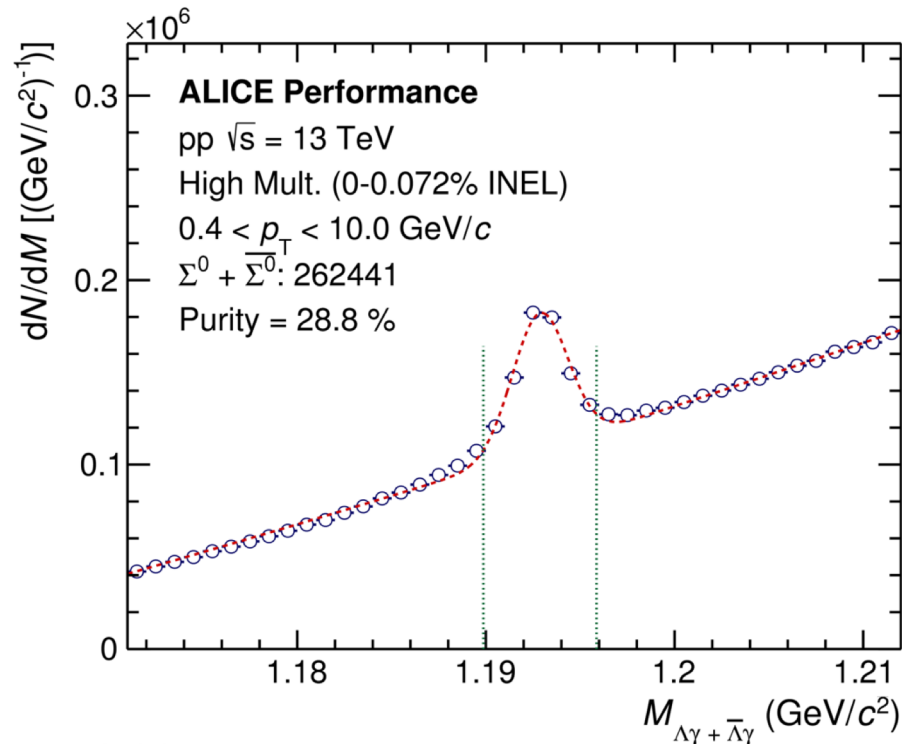
p-Λ results in pp 13 TeV (high multiplicity)

- Significant extension of the kinematic range
- Clear experimental evidence for the cusp
- Different variations of the baseline
 - Constant, linear & quadratic
 - Best fit for LO: $n_\sigma > 8$
 - Best fit for NLO: $n_\sigma > 10$
- LO and NLO calculations of the interaction within χ EFT fail to reproduce the data
 - Entering a precision era!

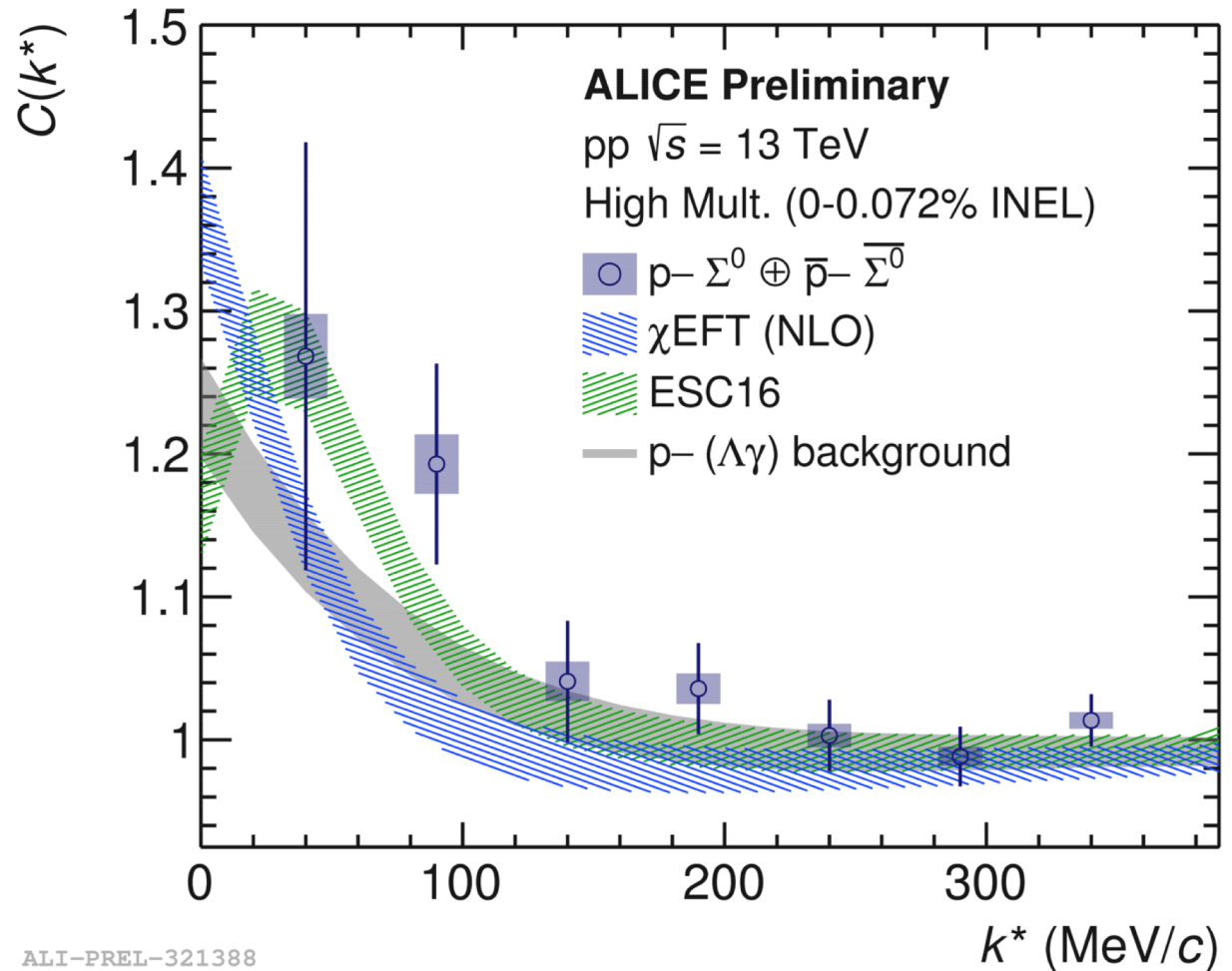


$p-\Sigma^0$ results in pp 13 TeV (high multiplicity)

- $\Sigma^0 \rightarrow \Lambda \gamma$ (BR: almost 100 %)
 - Identification of the photon via conversions
 - Significant contribution from correlated $p-(\Lambda\gamma)$ background due to low purity



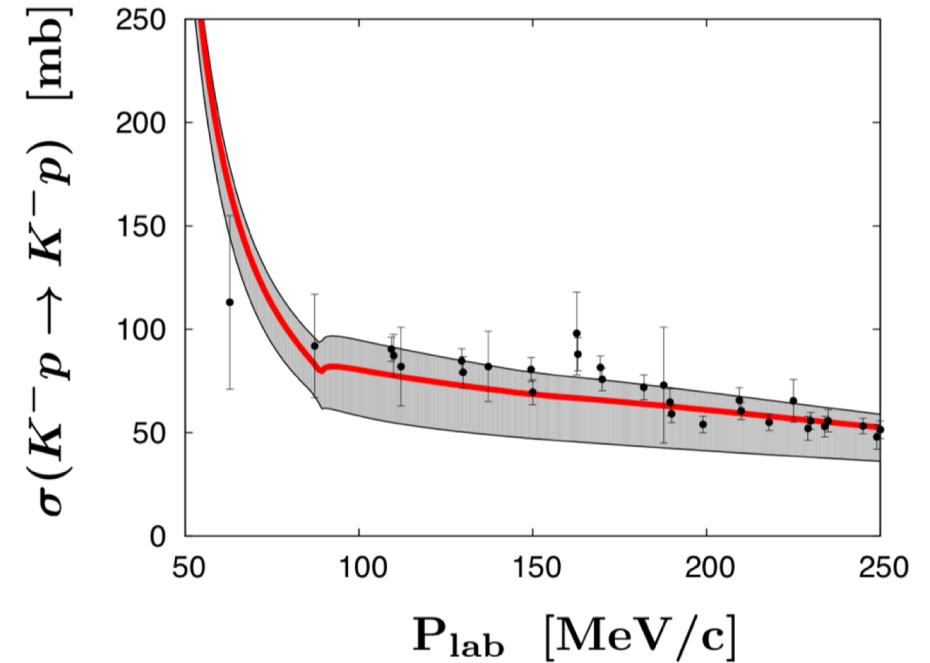
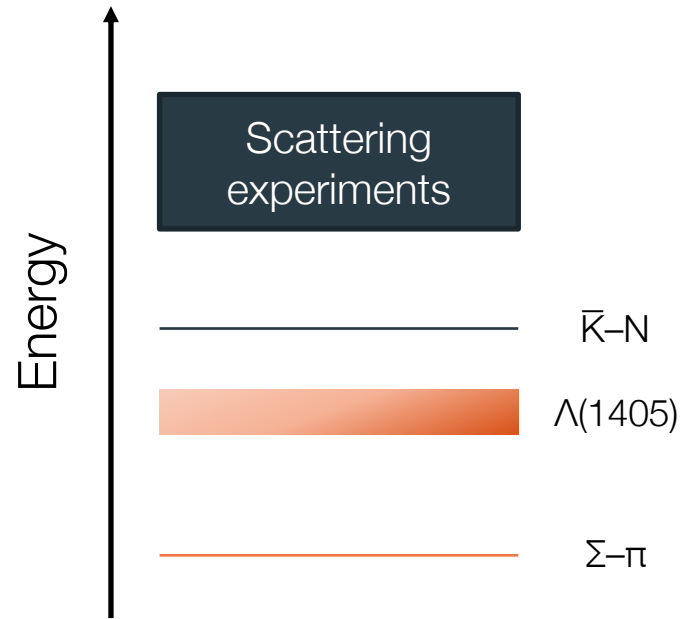
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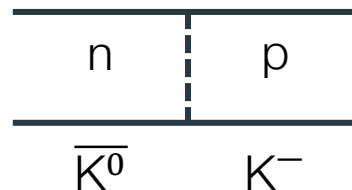
χ EFT (NLO): J.Haidenbauer *et al.*, NPA 915 (2013), 24.
ESC16: M. M. Nagels, T. A. Rijken, and Y. Yamamoto,
PRC 99 (2019) 044003.

$|S| = 1$ sector – Kaons



Y. Ikeda, T. Hyodo, W. Weise, Nucl. Phys. A 881 (2012) 98.

- \bar{K} -N - Σ - π form a molecular state: $\Lambda(1405)$
- K^- - p scattering data and kaonic hydrogen data are employed to constrain the amplitude also below the KN threshold
- Coupled channel effects



$$M(K^-p) + 5 \text{ MeV} = M(n\bar{K}^0)$$

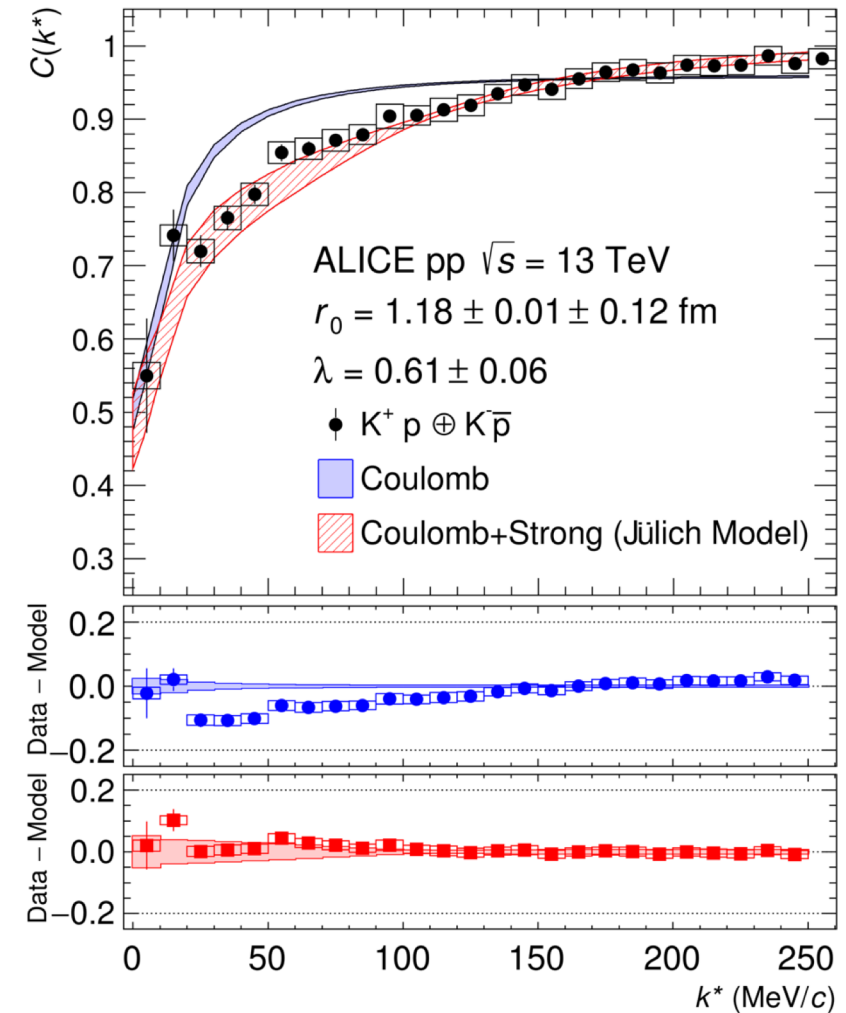
p-K⁺ results for pp 13 TeV (min. bias)

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ALICE Collaboration, arXiv:1905.13470 (submitted to PRL)

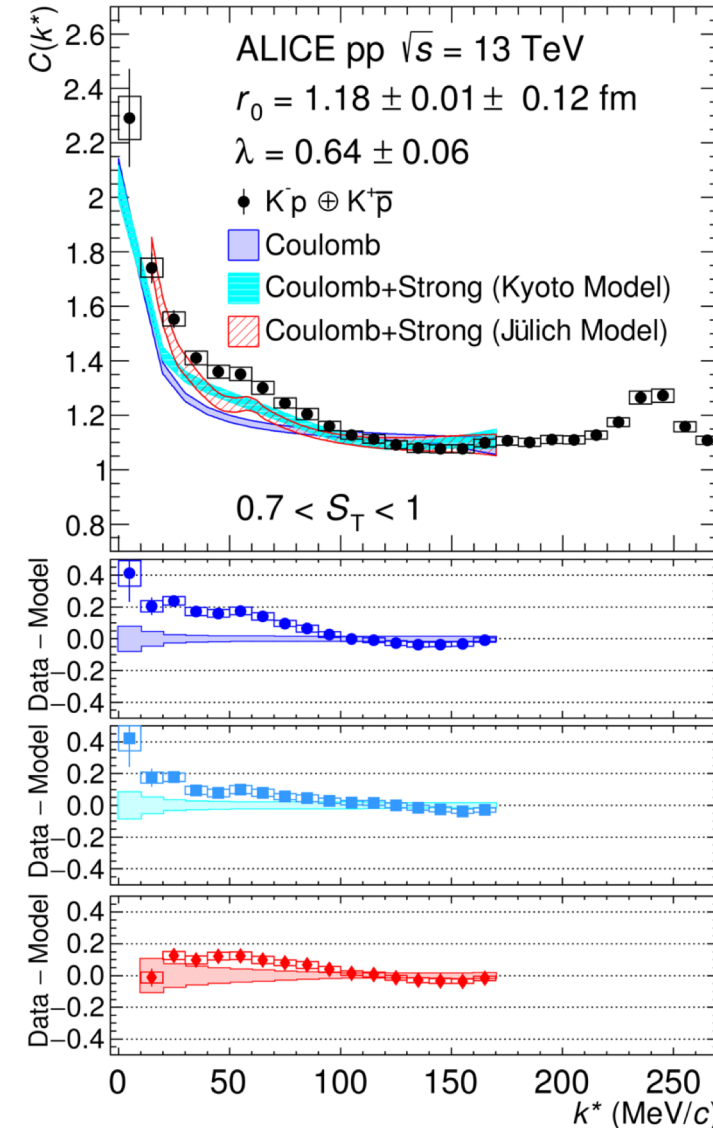
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p-K⁻ results for pp 13 TeV (min. bias)

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 - K⁺-p correlation used as a benchmark to study K⁻-p
- Observation of a bump close to the K⁰-n threshold
 - 58 MeV/c in the CM frame
- First experimental evidence of the opening of the K⁰-n isospin breaking channel



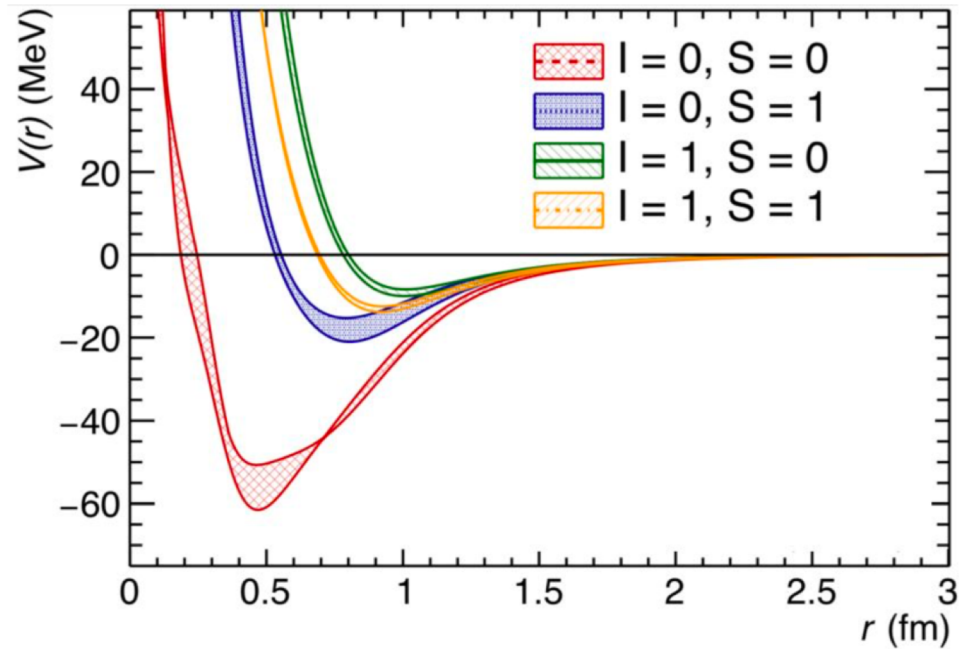
Benchmarking lattice QCD

The $|S| > 1$ sector

Lattice QCD models of the potentials

$p-\bar{\Xi}^-$

T. Hatsuda Front. Phys. 13(6), 132105 (2018)



- HAL QCD potential with physical meson masses

- $m_\pi = 146 \text{ MeV}/c^2$

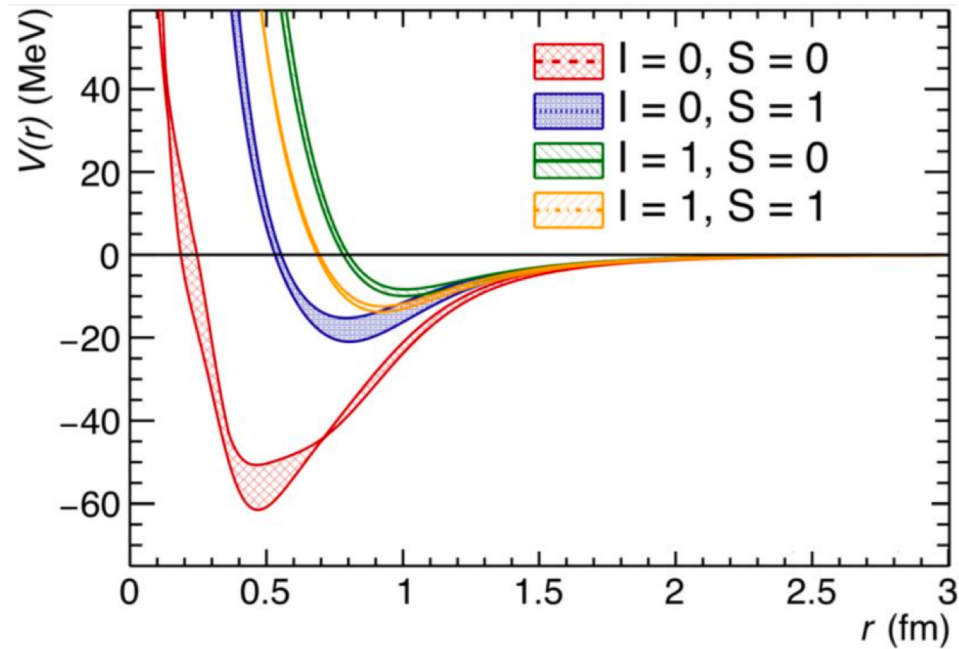
- $m_K = 525 \text{ MeV}/c^2$

- For $p-\bar{\Xi}^-$: Statistical weights of different l, S combinations $C(k^*) = \frac{1}{8} (C_{I=0}^{S=0} + C_{I=1}^{S=0}) + \frac{3}{8} (C_{I=0}^{S=1} + C_{I=1}^{S=1})$

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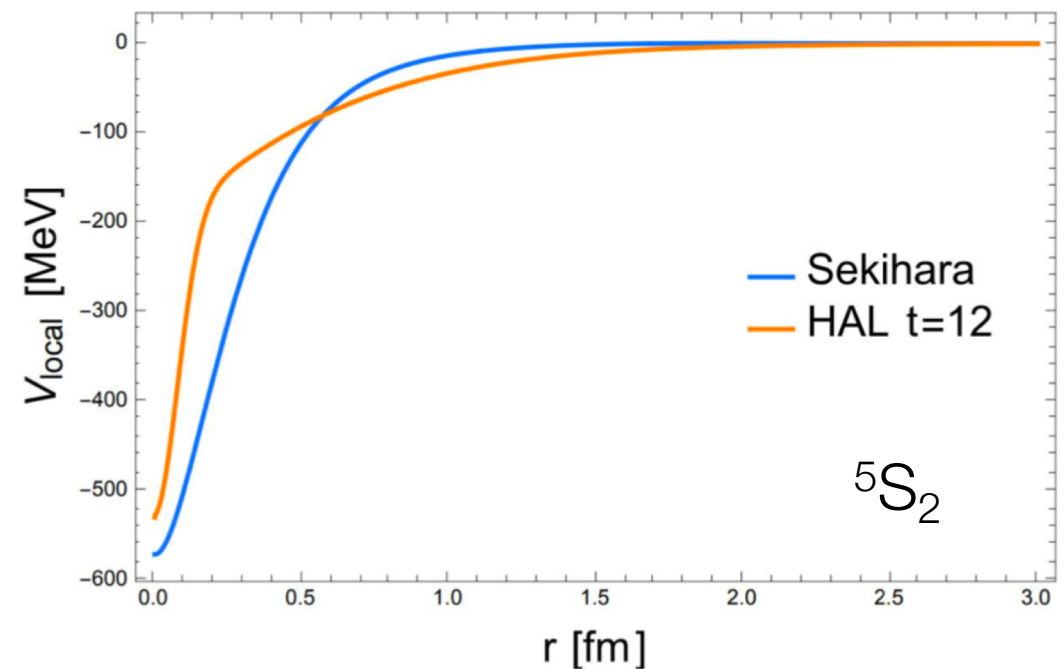
$p-\Xi^-$

T. Hatsuda *Front. Phys.* 13(6), 132105 (2018)



$p-\Omega^-$

T. Iritami *et al.*, arXiv:1810.03416

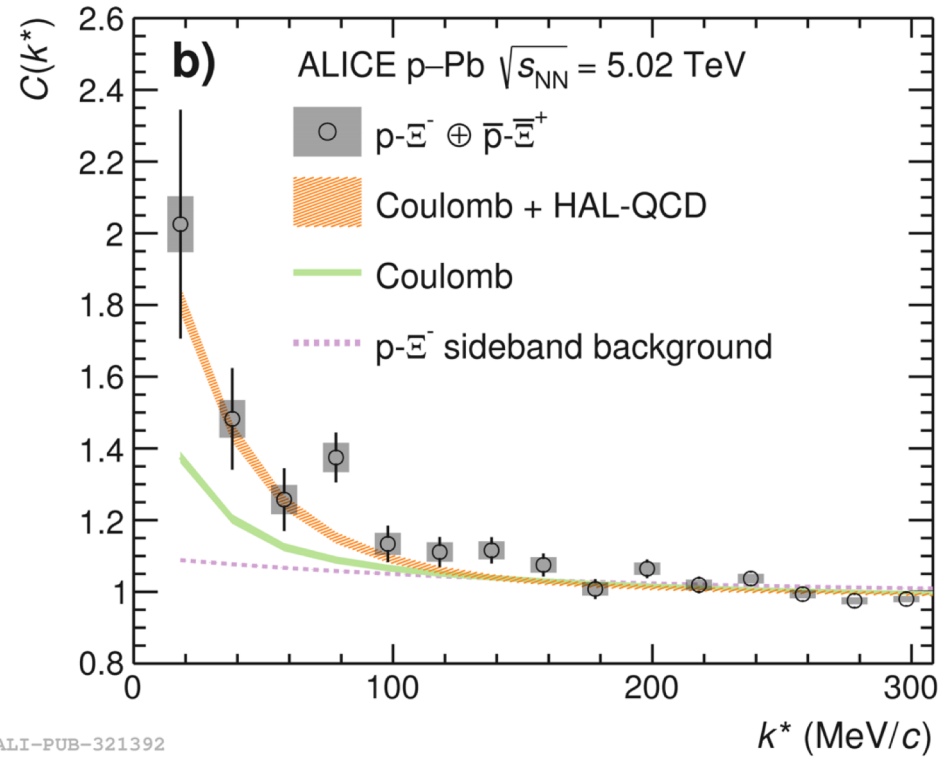


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Model	$p\Omega^-$ binding energy (strong interaction only)
HAL-QCD	1.54 MeV
Sekihara	0.1 MeV

+1 MeV with Coulomb

Benchmarking lattice QCD in p-Pb 5.02 TeV



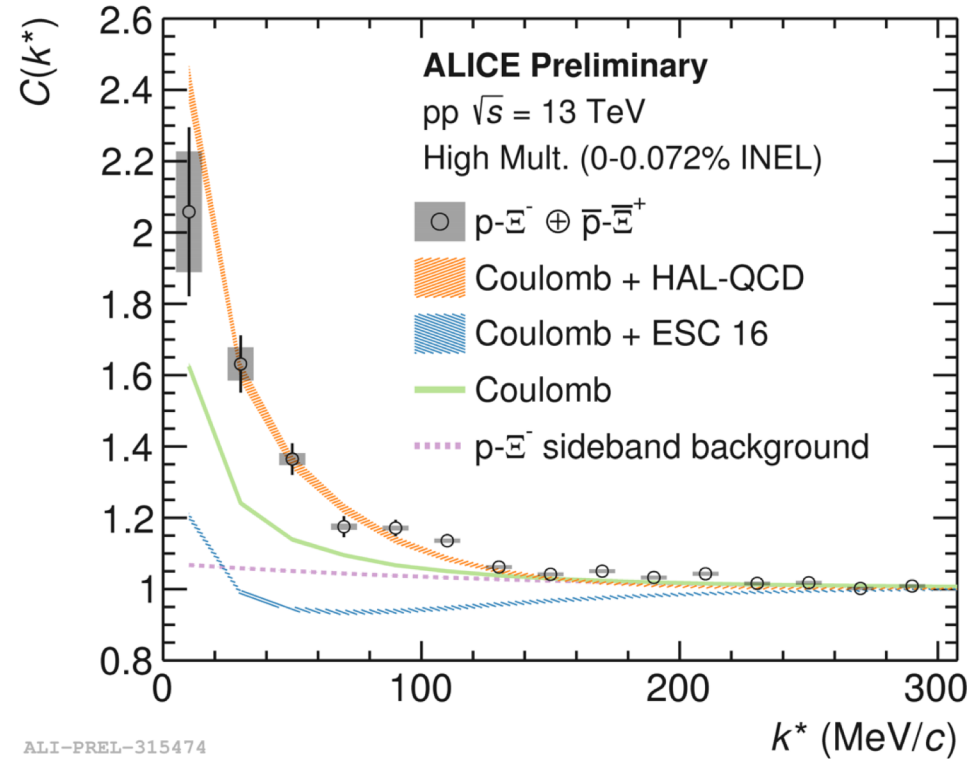
First observation of the strong interaction in p-E-

- Coulomb-only excluded ($> 4 \sigma$)
- Compatible with Lattice (HAL-QCD) calculations

ALICE Collaboration, arXiv:1904.12198, PRL (in press)

Benchmarking lattice QCD in pp 13 TeV (high mult.)

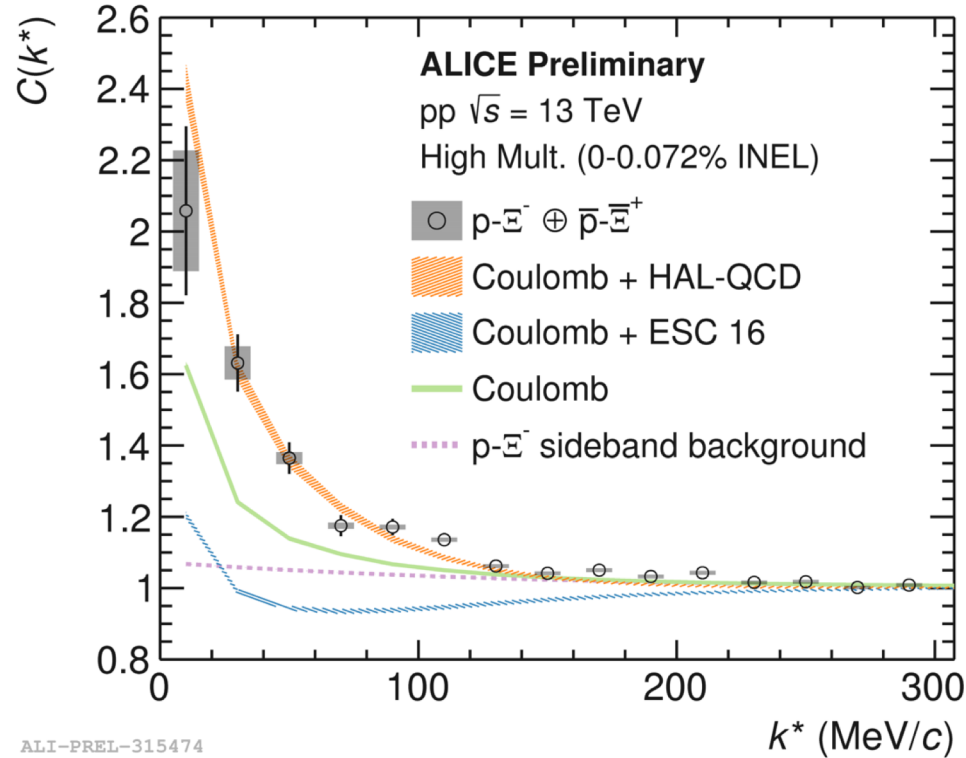
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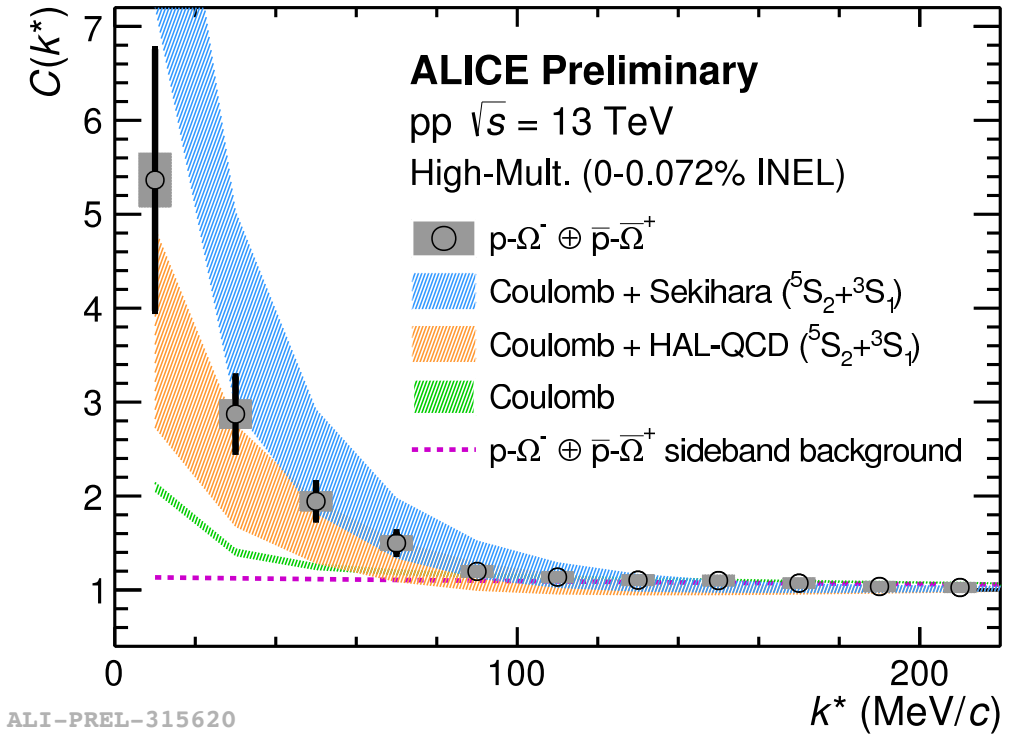
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$p-\Omega^-$ in pp 13 TeV (high mult.)

- Coulomb-only scenario excluded ($> 6 \sigma$)
- Precision of ALICE data exceeds the theoretical predictions
- Measurement of the attractive character of the interaction

Summary

- ALICE provides **precise data** to test hadron-hadron interactions
- Experimental confirmation of cusp effects in $p-\Lambda^-$ and $p-K^-$
- Entering the precision era in the $|S| = 1$ sector
 - Providing constraints with unprecedented precision for theory
- Validation of lattice QCD potentials at physical quark masses
- Upcoming results: $p-d$ and $p-\phi$
- Measurements in **RUN3 and RUN4** will allow for more differential studies and investigations of three-body interactions

Thank you for your attention!

... and stay tuned for more results!