

(Hadron Physics at J-PARC HI project) Comments on hypernuclei

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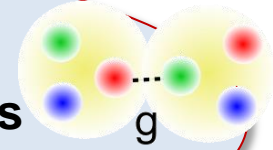
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Motivations of strangeness nuclear physics

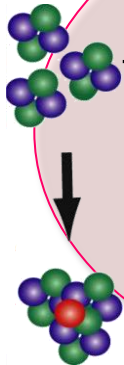
BB interactions

Unified understanding of BB forces by $u, d \rightarrow u, d, s$
particularly short-range forces by quark pictures
Test lattice QCD calculations



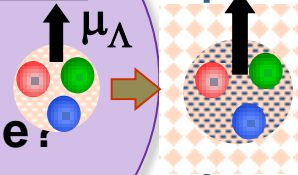
Impurity effect in nuclear structure

Changes of size,
deformation, clustering,
Appearing new symmetry,
...



Properties and behavior of baryons in nuclei

μ , size, structure change;
Baryon-mixing,
BBB forces (ρ dependence)



Clues to understand
hadrons and nuclei
from quarks

Cold and dense
nuclear matter
with strangeness



Production rates of hypernuclei

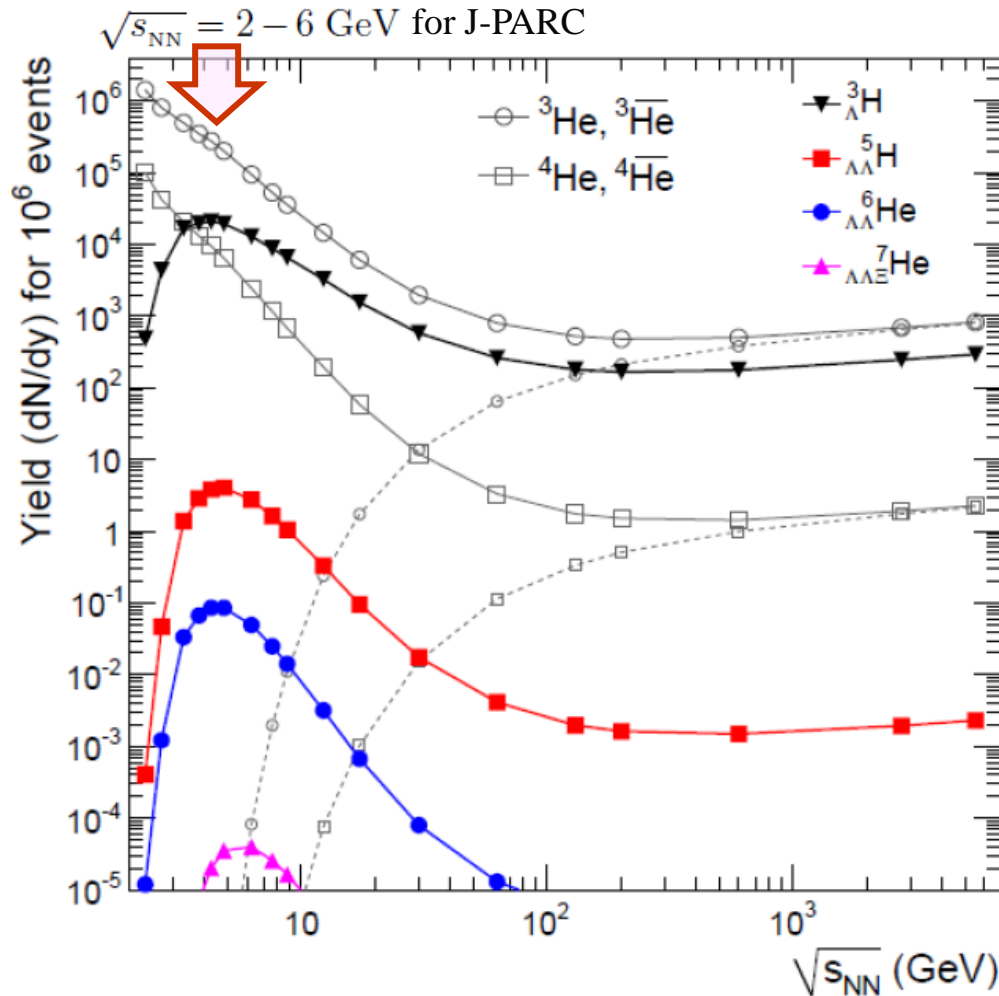


Figure 18: Hypernuclear yields at the mid-rapidity of ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$, ${}^5_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{H}$, ${}^6_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{He}$, and ${}^7_{\Lambda\Lambda\Xi}\text{He}$ calculated by a thermal model as functions of $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ (GeV) [89].

Detection/identification is a problem rather than production.

Characteristics of hypernuclear studies via HI collisions

Previous data

${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$: (7Li, 4He on ${}^{12}\text{C}$) JINR

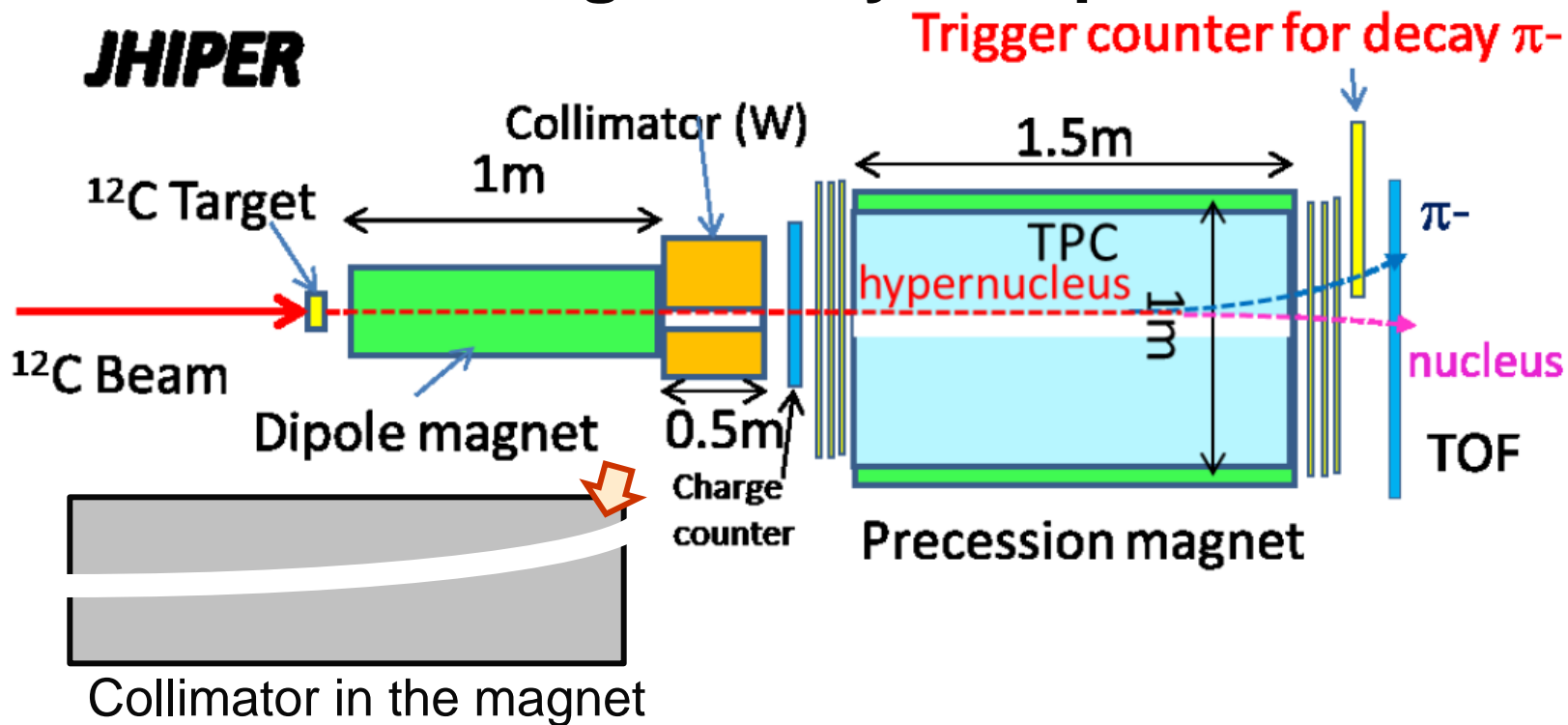
${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$: (11.5 GeV/A Au on Pt) BNL-AGS

${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$, ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$: (2 GeV/A ${}^6\text{Li}$ on ${}^{12}\text{C}$) GSI (HypHI)

${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$, $\overline{{}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}}$: (200 GeV Au+Au) RHIC(STAR), (2.76 TeV Pb+Pb) LHC(ALICE)

- Identification of heavier hypernuclei ($A > 10$) is extremely difficult. More nonmesonic decays, emission of more than one neutrons.
- For light hypernuclei ($A < 10$), ab-initio calculations provide direct connection to BB and BBB interactions.
- μ , nuclear radius, and $B(M1)/B(E2)$ (some cases) cannot be measured by conventional (K^-, π), (π, K^+), (e, eK^+) methods.
- “Closed geometry” to select rigidity of the tracks is essential, particularly powerful for n-rich/multi-strange large-rigidity hypernuclei

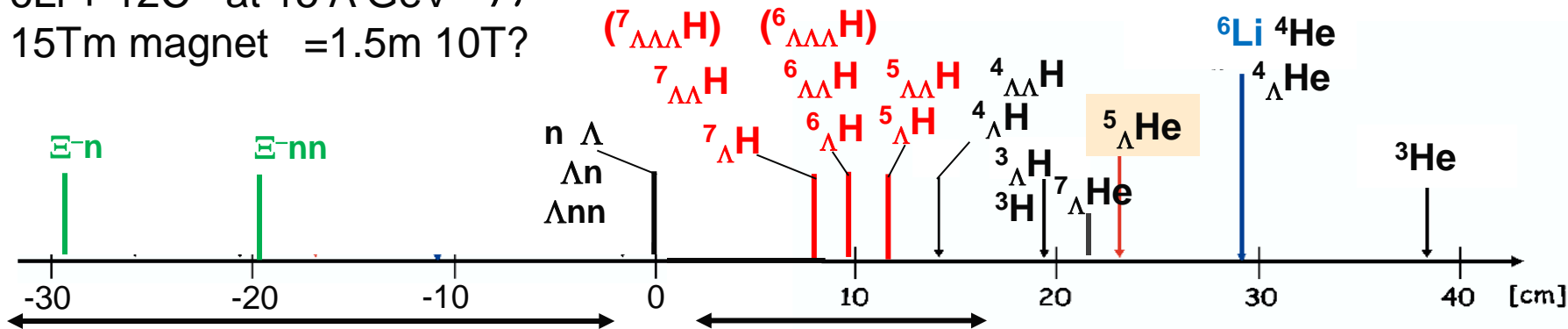
Closed geometry setup



Projectile fragments with hyperons

$6\text{Li} + ^{12}\text{C}$ at 15 A GeV $\beta\gamma c\tau \sim 1.2\text{ m}$

15Tm magnet = 1.5m 10T?



No contamination from non-strange nuclei

Figure 1: Separation of hypernuclei at the exit of the superconducting magnet, which are produced by the ^6Li projectiles at 20 A GeV.

Hypernuclear physics program

■ Magnetic moment and B(M1)

=> Baryon properties in a nucleus

Λ N- Σ N mixing, Baryon structure change? Effect of chiral symmetry restoration?

- Magnetic moment of ${}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$, ${}^7_{\Lambda}\text{He}$, ...

- Λ -spin-flip B(M1) of ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}/{}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}$... by Coulomb excitation

■ Neutron-rich/ Multi-strange hypernuclei

=> BB/BBB interactions, Λ N- Σ N / $\Lambda\Lambda$ - Ξ N mixing

- Λ nn, ${}^6_{\Lambda}\text{H}$, ${}^4_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{H}$, ${}^5_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{H}$, ... (strangelet)

- Ξ^- n, Ξ^- nn, Ω^- n,.. (strangelet) “Weakly-decaying negatively-charged nuclei”

■ Lifetimes, weak decay branching ratios

=> baryonic weak interaction, hypernuclear structure

- ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$, ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$, (${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}$, ${}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$,), ..., Ξ^- n \rightarrow Σ^- n

■ Interaction cross section in matter => Nuclear radius, neutron halo

- Size of ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$, ${}^6_{\Lambda}\text{H}$, ${}^7_{\Lambda}\text{He}$,...

■ Gamma decays, B(E2) by Coulomb excitation

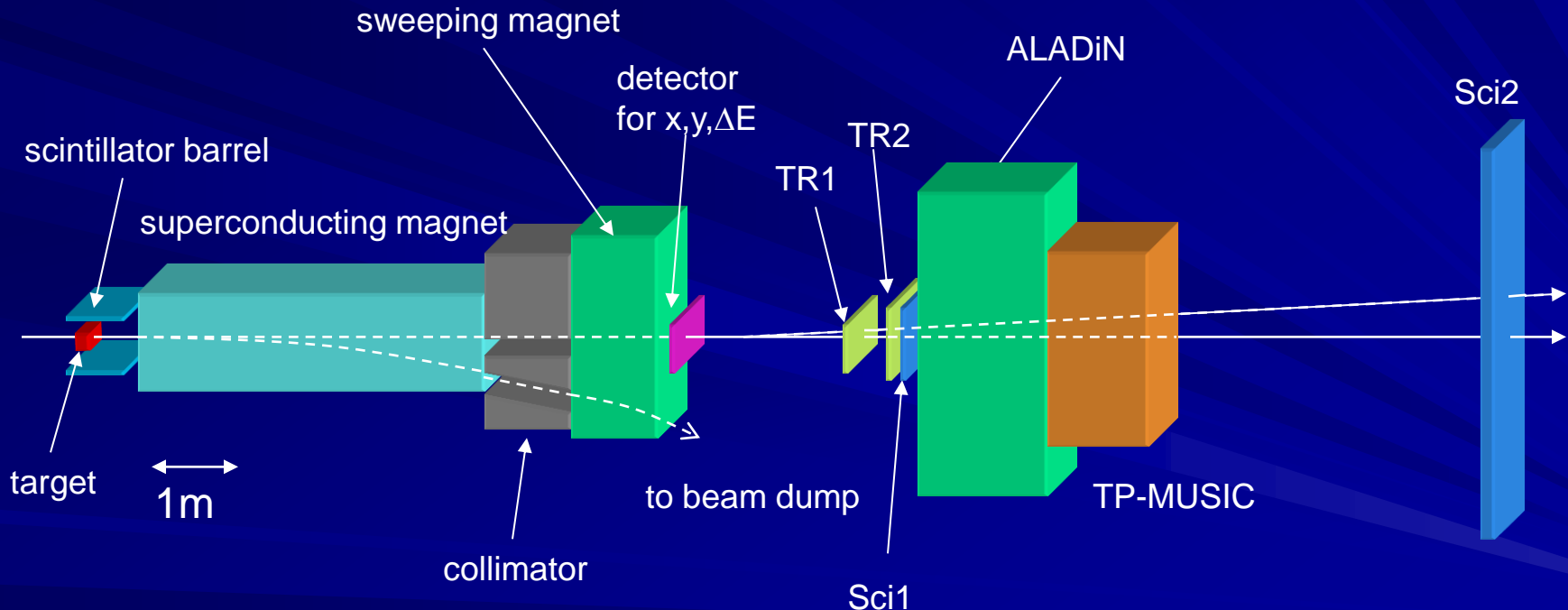
=> Impurity effect: changes of deformation, halo, collective motion,...

- ${}^7_{\Lambda}\text{He}$, ${}^9_{\Lambda}\text{Be}$, ${}^{13}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$,...

Hypernuclear separator (Phase 3)

- Hypernuclear production at 20 A GeV at the FAIR facility
- Hypernuclei separated by a superconducting magnet

HypHI Phase 3



Removing light hadrons from the hypernuclear decay before the sweeping magnet.

Interests of μ_Λ in nucleus

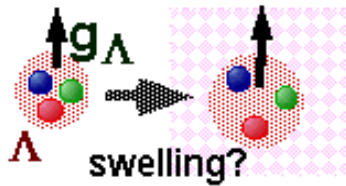
■ Baryon properties in nuclear medium

Structure change? Swelling?

Effect of partial restoration of chiral symmetry??

How μ_N changes? -- Clue to understand the origin of baryon magnetic moment

⇒ Can be investigated only by a Λ (free from Pauli) in 0s orbit.

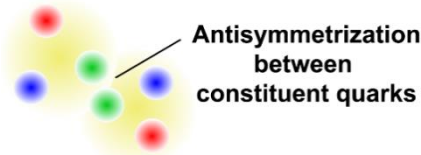


Constituent quark: μ_B looks OK with $\mu_q = \frac{e\hbar}{2m_q c}$
 Current quark: *nucleon spin* = *quark spin* (~0.2) + *gluon spin* + *L*
 How to understand μ_B ?

■ Pauli effect between quarks (“quark exchange current”)

changes μ_B in nucleus

sensitive to baryon size (b)



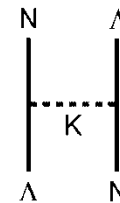
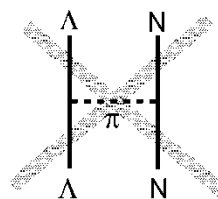
■ Quark Cluster Model Takeuchi et al., N.P. A481(1988) 639

$\delta\mu/\mu$: ${}^4_\Lambda\text{He}(1^+)$ -1% ~ -2%, larger by Σ mixing

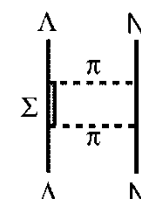
${}^4_{\Sigma^+}\text{Li}(1^+)$ -40% ~ -100%

b = 0.6 fm -> 0.8 fm, μ becomes twice large.

■ Meson exchange current



${}^5_\Lambda\text{He}$: -9%



${}^6_\Lambda\text{Li}$: -2%

T ≠ 0 only

Saito et al.,

N.P. A625 (1997) 95

■ Sigma mixing effect

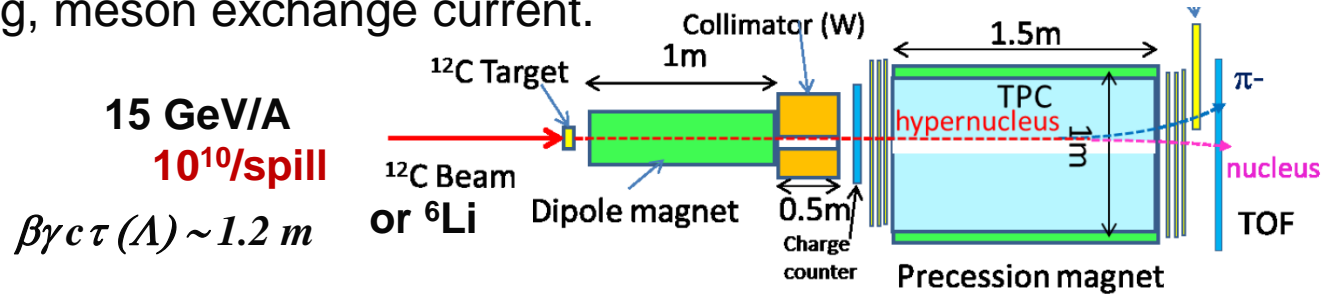
~ +2--5 % for ${}^5_\Lambda\text{He}$ (Dover-Gal)

Measurement of a few % is desired.

Systematic study of ρ and T dependence (${}^3_\Lambda\text{H}$, ${}^5_\Lambda\text{He}$, ${}^7_\Lambda\text{He}$) will discriminate these effects.

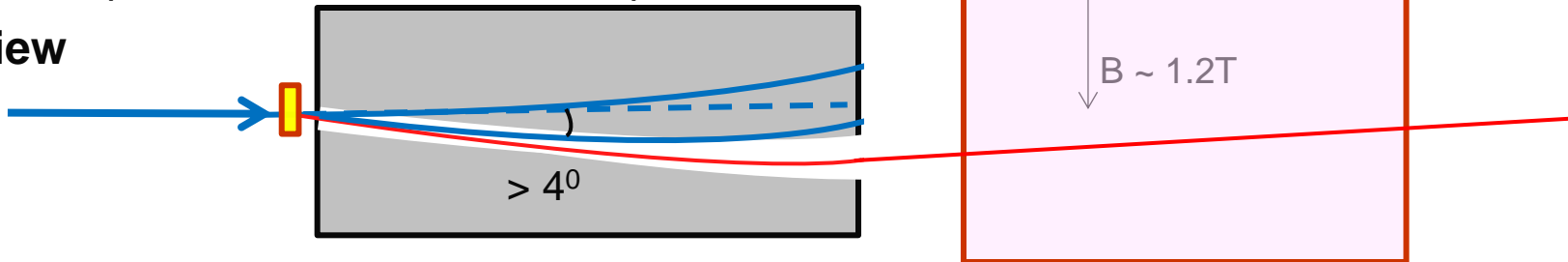
Magnetic moment of ${}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$

${}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$: ab-initio calculation possible.
 Core polarization small.
 Effects of Σ mixing, meson exchange current.



Separation from the beam is important

Side view



Production Cross section:

$\sigma \sim 0.1\text{ ub/sr}$ (projectile rapidity region) for ${}^7\text{Li}+{}^{12}\text{C}$ (20 GeV/A)

After separator ($> 4^\circ$) x 0.02 ?

Λ -Polarization: > 0.1 for $p_T > 1\text{ GeV}/c$

Decay rate in the decay volume: ~ 0.6

Pionic decay (${}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He} \rightarrow {}^4\text{He} p \pi^-$) branch: 0.44

Decay reconstruction eff. ~ 0.1

Estimate based on
 JHF LOI (2000)

$\Rightarrow 600 / \text{day}$

Precession: 1.2T, 1.5m $\Rightarrow 37\text{ deg}$

$\Rightarrow \sim 3\%$ for 100 days

With $10^{11}/\text{spill}$ beam, other hypernuclei (${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$, ${}^7_{\Lambda}\text{He}$) can be also measured.

Λ -Spin-flip B(M1) for g_Λ in nucleus

g_Λ in a nucleus can be also obtained from
B(M1) of Λ spin-flip transition

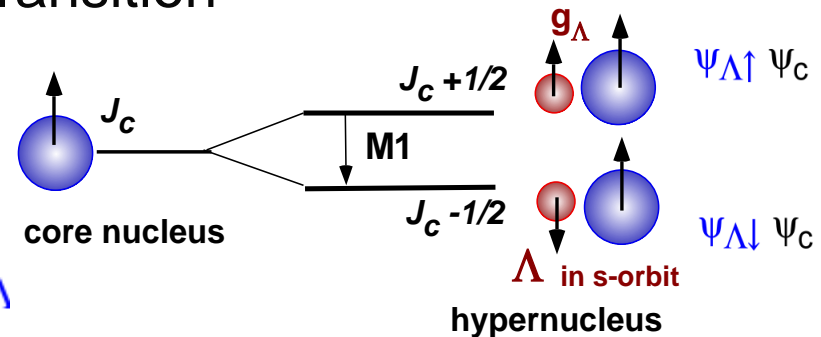
$$B(M1) = (2J_{up} + 1)^{-1} |\langle \Psi_{low} \| \mu \| \Psi_{up} \rangle|^2$$

$$= (2J_{up} + 1)^{-1} |\langle \Psi_{\Lambda\downarrow} \psi_c \| \mu \| \Psi_{\Lambda\uparrow} \psi_c \rangle|^2$$

$$\mu = g_c J_c + g_\Lambda J_\Lambda = g_c J + (g_\Lambda - g_c) J_\Lambda$$

$$= \frac{3}{8\pi} \frac{2J_{low} + 1}{2J_c + 1} (g_\Lambda - g_c)^2 \quad [\mu_N^2]$$

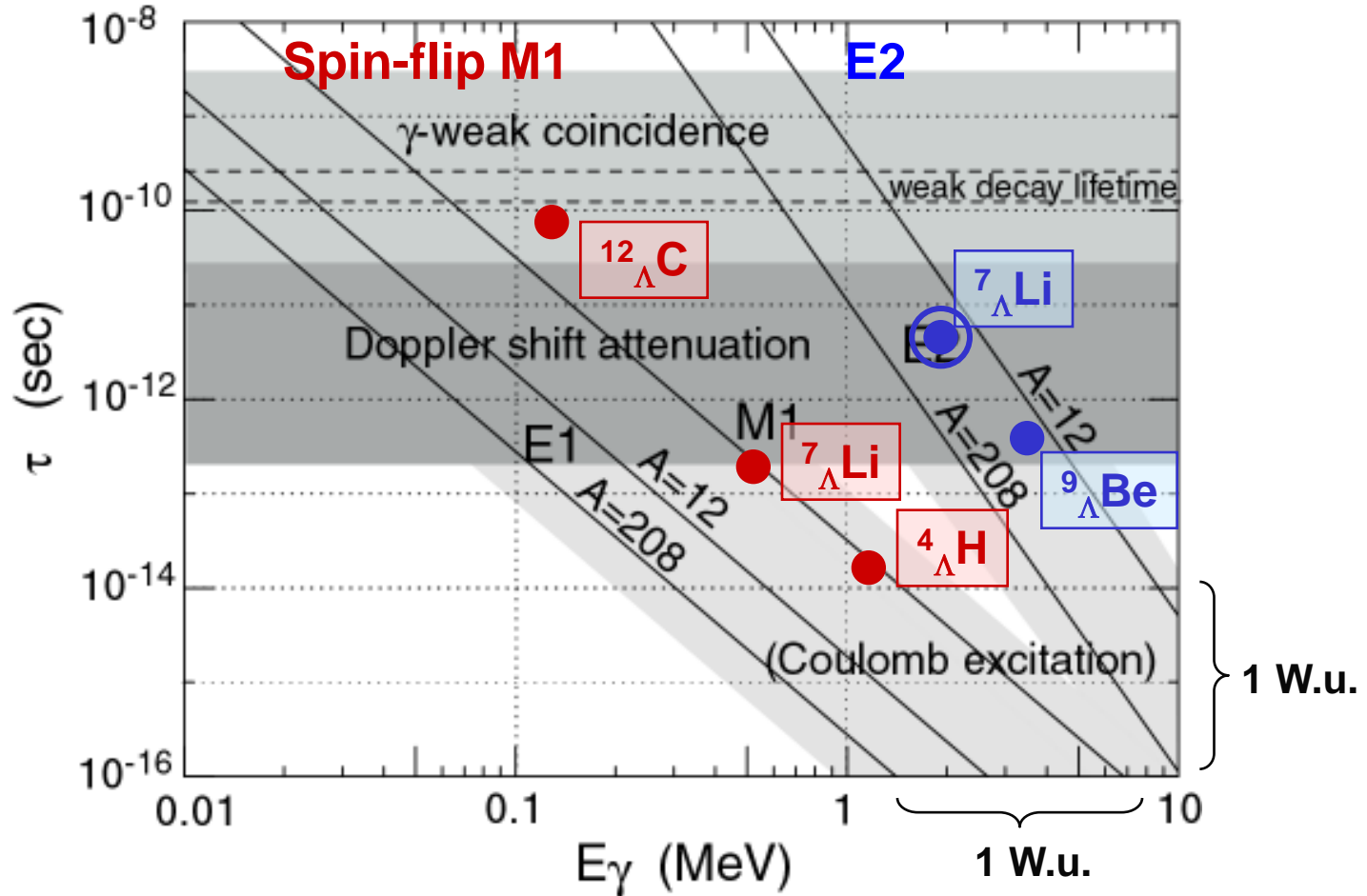
(weak coupling limit)



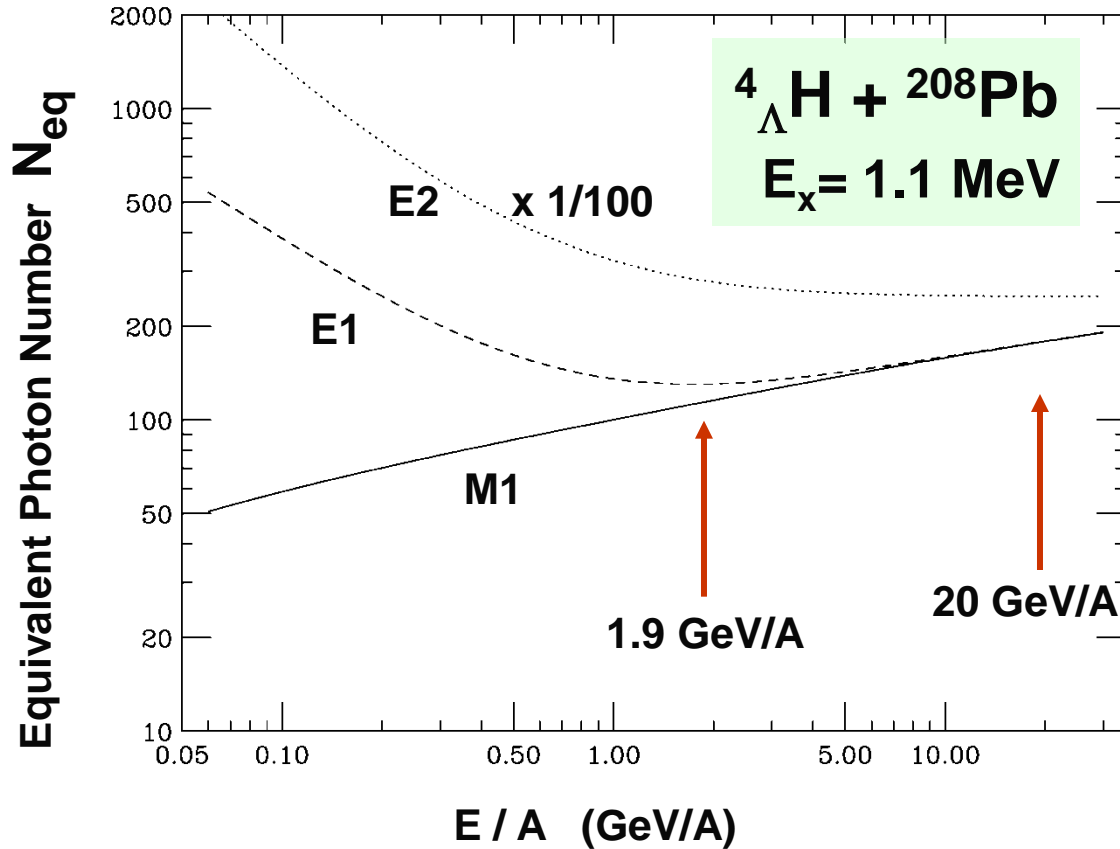
Methods

- **Doppler shift attenuation method** ($\tau \sim t_{stop}$) : Established for “hypernuclear shrinkage” in ${}^7_\Lambda\text{Li}$ from B(E2)
 $\tau \rightarrow$ **B(M1)** (K, π), J-PARC E63 for ${}^7_\Lambda\text{Li}$ PRL 86 ('01)1982
- **γ -weak coincidence method** ($\tau \sim \tau_{weak}$) :
 $\tau \rightarrow$ **B(M1)** (K, π), To be proposed at J-PARC
- **Coulomb excitation**
 $\sigma \rightarrow$ **B(M1)** J-PARC-HI

How to measure lifetimes for hypernuclear γ transitions



M1 Coulomb excitation for ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ ($0^+ \rightarrow 1^+$)



$$B(M1) \sim 2.6 \mu_N^2$$

HypHI LOI:
 ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ yield $\sim 2 \times 10^5$ / week

Reaction cross section
 $\sim \pi [R({}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}) + R({}^{208}\text{Pb})]^2$
 $= 2.5 \text{ b}$

(Nuclear spin-flip excitation should be estimated with lighter target nuclei.)

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(0^+ \rightarrow 1^+) [\text{mb}] &= 4.43 \times 10^{-2} * N_{\text{eq}}(M1) * B(M1) [\mu_N^2] \\ &= 20 \text{ mb (E/A=20 GeV/A)} \\ &= 13 \text{ mb (E/A=1.9 GeV/A)} \end{aligned}$$

Should be studied

Study of Ξ^-n bound system

In general, Ξ hypernuclei decay via $\Xi^-p \rightarrow \Lambda\Lambda$ at the same vertex point as production
 => Identification extremely difficult

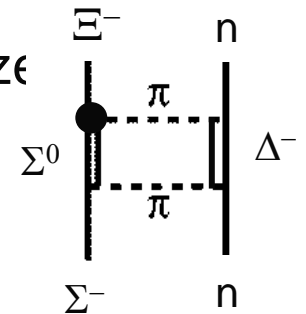
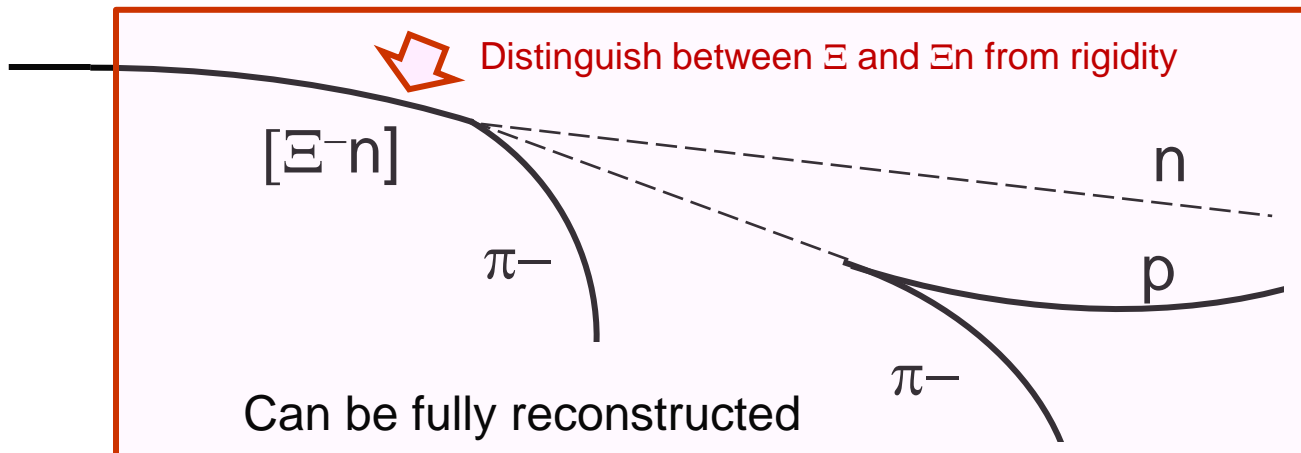
Ξn ($S=1, I=1$) is predicted to be bound, deuteron analog in $\{10^*\}$, $BE= 3.6$ MeV from ESC08a
 Kiso event and recent E05 pilot data suggest a rather deep Ξ -nuclear attractive potential

=> Weakly-decaying Ξ hypernuclei? $\Xi^-n, \Xi^0p, \Xi^-nn(?)$,
 $\Xi^-n \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^- n$ (Ξn ($S=0, I=1$) is predicted to be strongly repulsive)

Weakly-decaying negatively-charged nuclei can be easily separated and identified. $\Xi^-n, \Xi^-nn, (\Sigma^-n), \Omega^-n$

d (K^-, K^+) [Ξ^-n] => Accurate binding energy

HI => Lifetime and Decay mode ($\Xi^-n \rightarrow \Sigma^-n$: suppressed?), size ϵ



$\sigma \sim 1$ nb (peripheral)
 ~ 1 μ b (central)
 (Sano, Wakai)
 Probably, no problem in yield

Other subjects of personal interest

- B-B correlation

=> $\Lambda\Sigma$, $\Sigma\Sigma$, $\Xi\Lambda$, ΩN interactions ?

-- Feasibility should be studied

- BB correlation data for various A and collision energy

=> density dependence of in-medium BB forces??

-- Theoretical support necessary

- Meson mass spectrum for various A and collision energy

=> density dependence of chiral symmetry restoration??

-- Theoretical support necessary

