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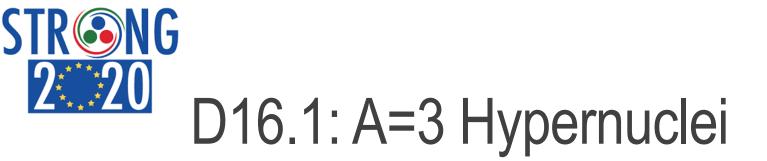
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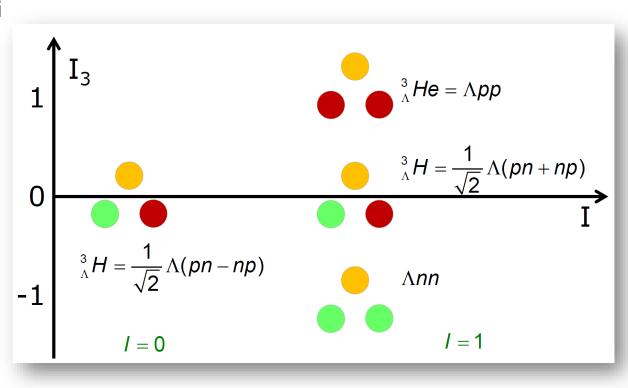
> Three-baryon forces are essential to describe complex nuclei

>A=3 hypernnuclei are important cornerstones

I=0, J<sup>p</sup>=1/2<sup>+</sup> is only nucleus known for sure to be bound
 Observed branching ratio

 $R_{3} = \frac{\Gamma(^{3}_{\Lambda}H \rightarrow^{3}He + \pi^{-})}{\Gamma(^{3}_{\Lambda}H \rightarrow X + \pi^{-})} = 0.35 \pm 0.04$ 

and small binding energy suggest groundstate spin J<sup>P</sup>=1/2<sup>+</sup>
No experimental evidence for bound excited state
No conclusive evidence for existence of neutral nnΛ



#### STR©NG 2.20 D16.1: Study of ${}^3_{\Lambda}$ H and ${}^3_{\Lambda}$ n

#### Study of A=3 Hypernuclei

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Summery: Nuclei containing strange baryons, so-called Hypernuclei, are unique femto-laboratories for multi-baryon interactions with hyperons. Light hypernuclei are particularly interesting since not only phenomenological models but also ab initio studies based on chiral effective field theory and even lattice quantum chromodynamics calculations are within reach for such systems.

The hypertriton <sup>3</sup><sub>4</sub>H is the lightest hypernucleus. It is composed of a proton, a neutron, and a Λ hyperon. Although it is known to exist since more than half a century, its basic properties mass and lifetime - are still not fully understood. When the STRONG-2020 project started in 2019, the combination of an unexpected short lifetime of the hypertriton and at the same time.

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## STR SNG 2::20 MS20: First data taking by WASA@GSI/FAIR Milestone achieved

#### Data taking (January – March 2022)

Run	Period	Data size	
Commissioning run	28th Jan 7th Feb.	7 TB	
Physics run for η' nuclei	22nd Feb 28th Feb.	40 TB	92 % of the prop.
Physics run for HypHI	10th Mar 19th Mar.	48 TB	Sector Sectors

#### Acquired data for S447 (hypernuclei)

Beam	Fragment at S4	Amount	Time	Accepted trigger rate	
<sup>6</sup> Li beam	<sup>3</sup> He	3.3 × 10 <sup>8</sup>	40.9 hours	2600 Hz	3
	<sup>4</sup> He	0.9 × 10 <sup>8</sup>	- 43.9 hours	1800 Hz	4
	deuteron	1.8 × 10 <sup>8</sup>			n
	proton (mid- rapidity)	5.3 × 10 <sup>6</sup>	3.2 hours	680 Hz	1
<sup>12</sup> C beam	<sup>3</sup> He	1.0 × 10 <sup>8</sup>	13.5 hours	2400 Hz	3
	9C	2.4 × 10 <sup>5</sup>			9

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e entire setup of WASA at FRS

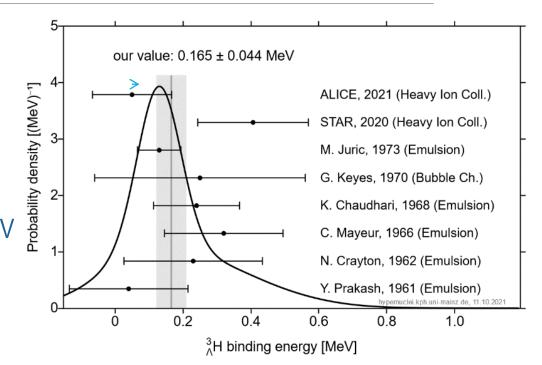
Photos by Jan Hosan and GSI/FAIR



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## Deliverable 16.1: Hypertriton binding energy

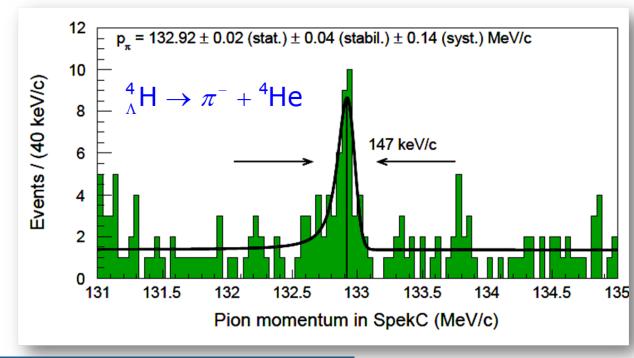
- Present situation
  - Emulsion data suggest very small binding energy ~130keV
  - New data from STAR show stronger binding ~410keV
- Recent Pb+Pb ALICE result ~72±63<sub>stat</sub>±36<sub>syst</sub> keV
- Ongoing and planned activities
  - MAMI: high resolution pion spectroscopy 2022,  $\delta B_{sys} \approx 20 \text{keV}$
  - Jlab (C12-19-002)
  - Analysis of JPARC-E07 emulsion data
- R3B@FAIR: Cross section for  ${}^{3}_{\Lambda}$ H: giant  $\Lambda$ -halo?

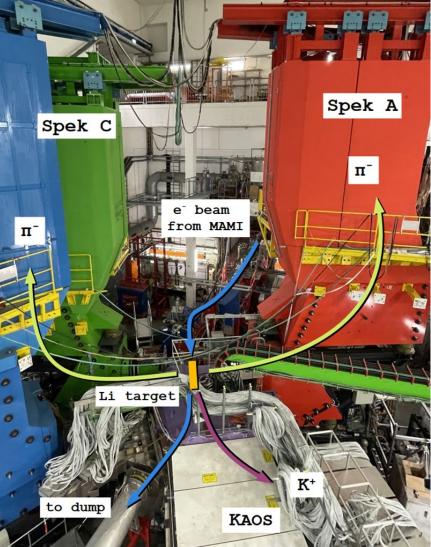




Two-body decays

 $^{3}_{\Lambda} H \rightarrow^{3} He + \pi^{-} @114 MeV/c$  $^{4}_{\Lambda} H \rightarrow^{4} He + \pi^{-} @133 MeV/c$ 

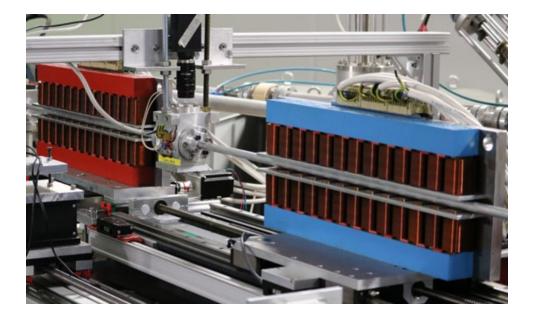


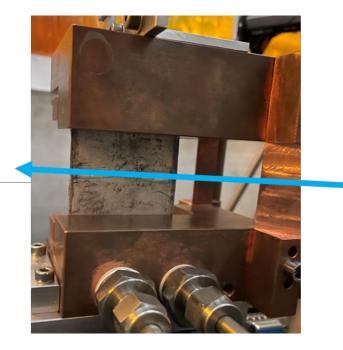




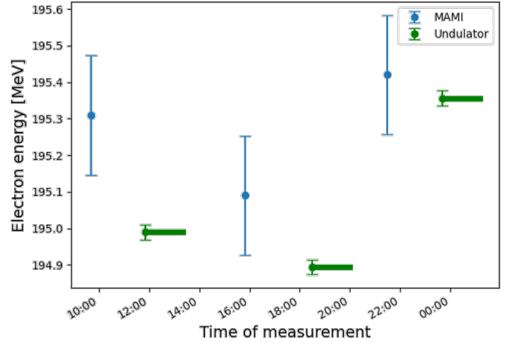
Higher Luminosity  $\rightarrow$  5cm Lithium target

Absolute Energy  $\rightarrow$  calibration via Undulator Light Interference





MAMI vs. Undulator energy measurement





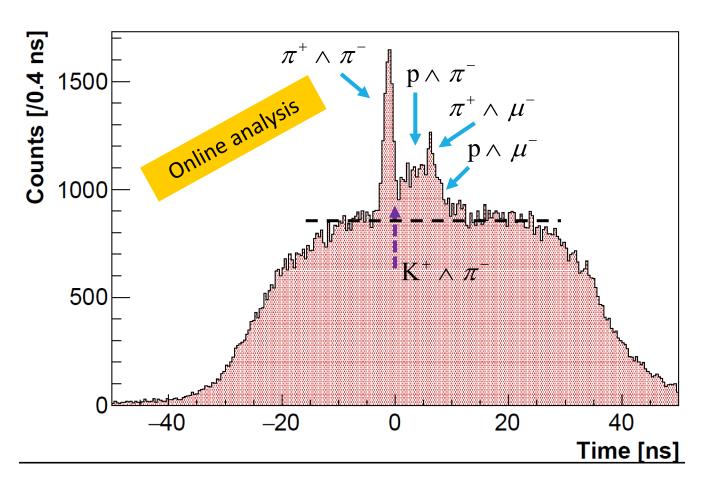
Commissioning: July 12 – August 1

Data taking: September 22 – October 17

Example: raw online timing diagram KAOS-SPEK-A (~6h)

Detector calibration ongoing

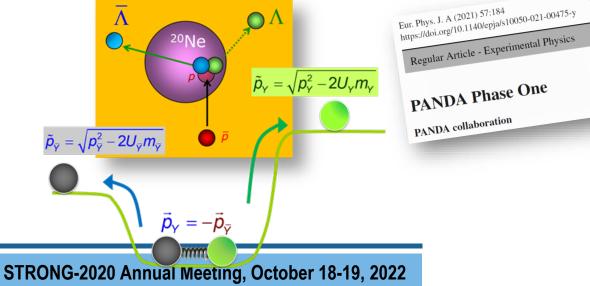
Analysis has just started

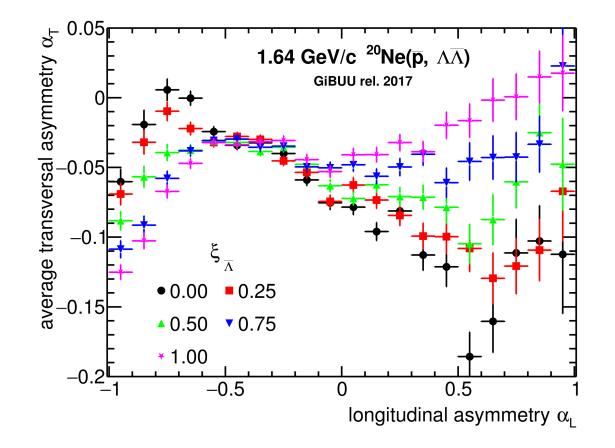




## Deliverable 16.2: Antihyperons in Nuclei

- two-body baryon-antibaryon interactions can be studied by two-particle correlation functions in HI
- PANDA will measure the effective potential of Λ hyperons by the exclusive <sup>20</sup>Ne(p,ΛΛ) reaction during PHASE-1 of PANDA
- ongoing work: development of reconstruction software (low momentum  $\Lambda$  and  $\Lambda$  decays !)



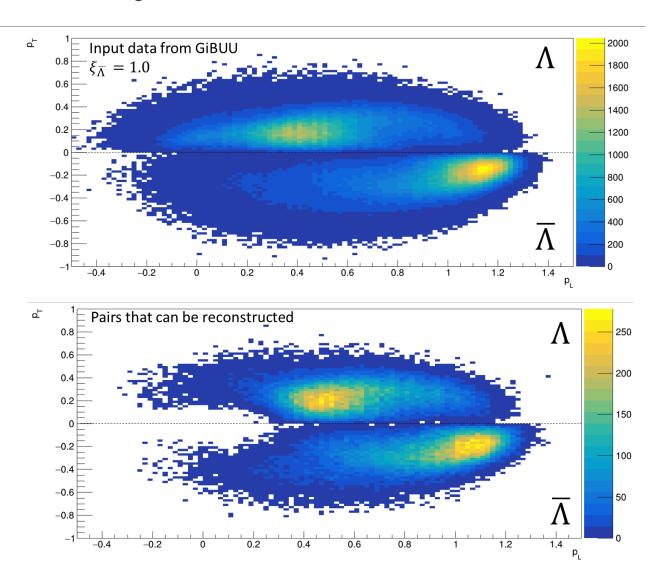




Low momenta  $\Lambda$  and  $\overline{\Lambda}\,$  difficult to reconstruct

Pairs are missing where the  $\Lambda$  or  $\overline{\Lambda}$  has low momentum

Losing approximately 20% of pairs due to low momentum hyperon



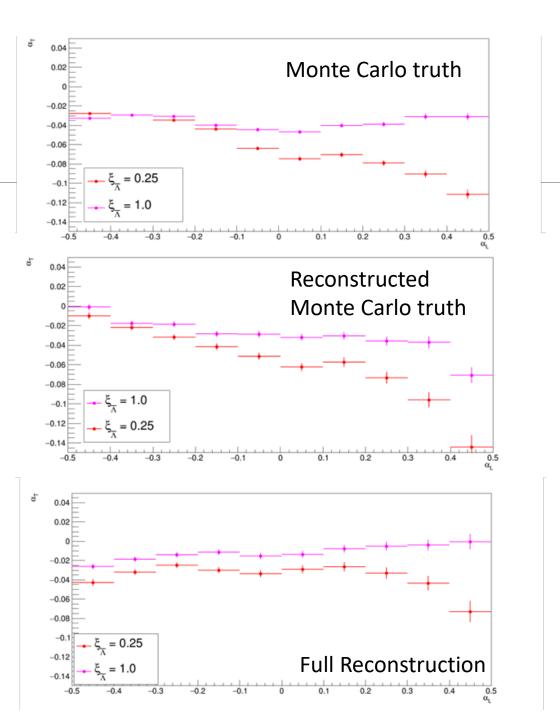


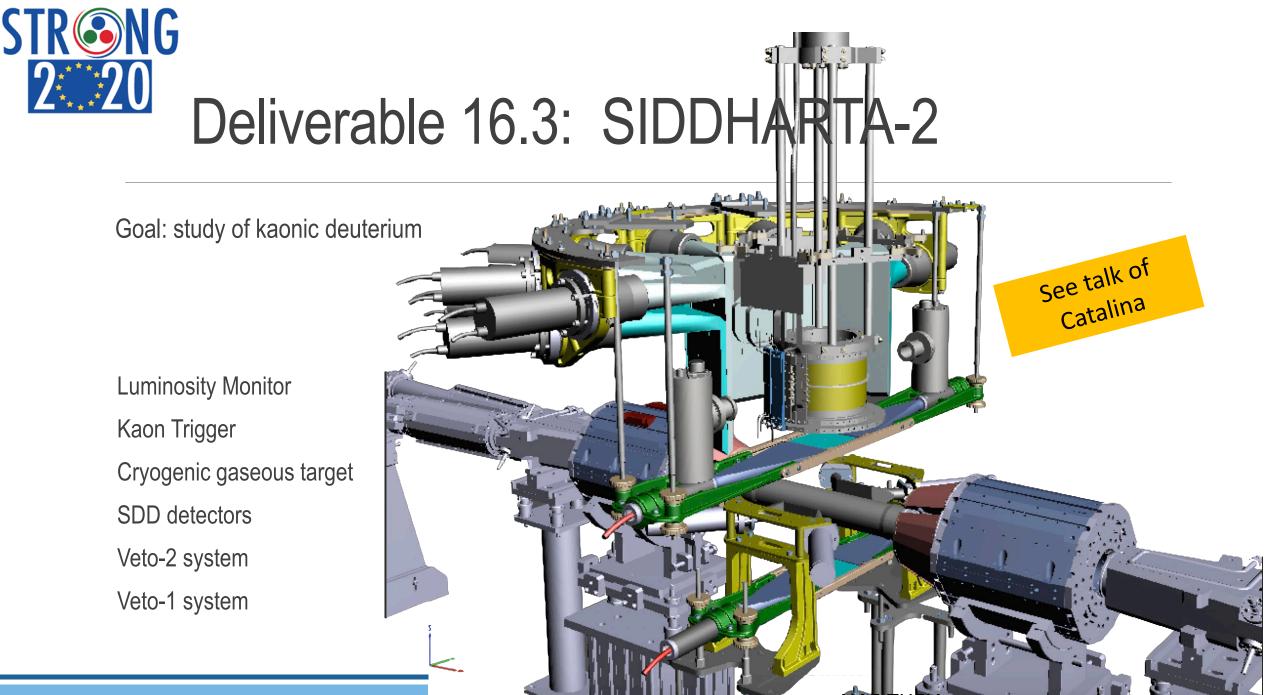
Best reconstruction efficiency in the region of  $\alpha_L$ =[-0.2;0.4]

Different potentials can be distinguished

High sensitivity remains high after full reconstruction

Work in progress: Background

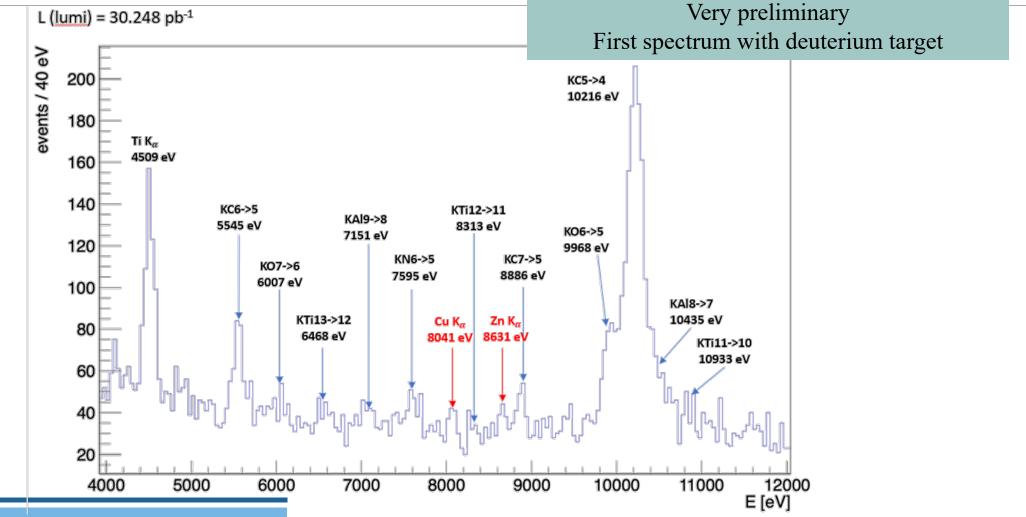






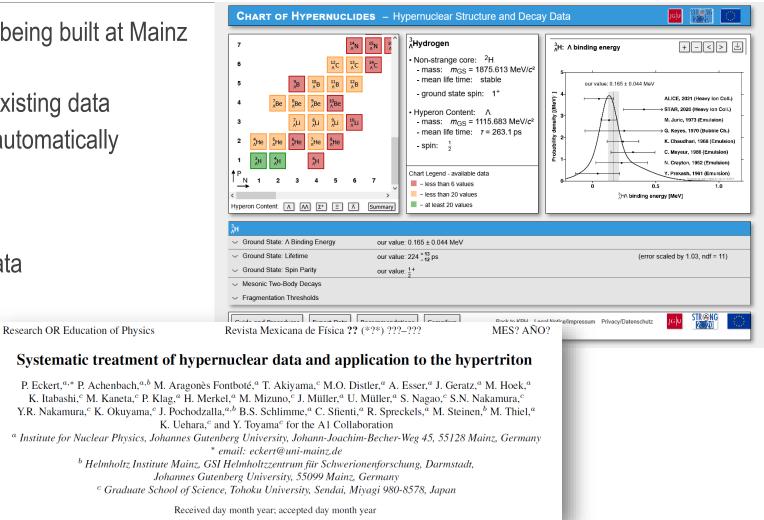
## Siddharta 2 Kaonic Deuterium





# New Deliverable 16.4: Hypernucleus Database

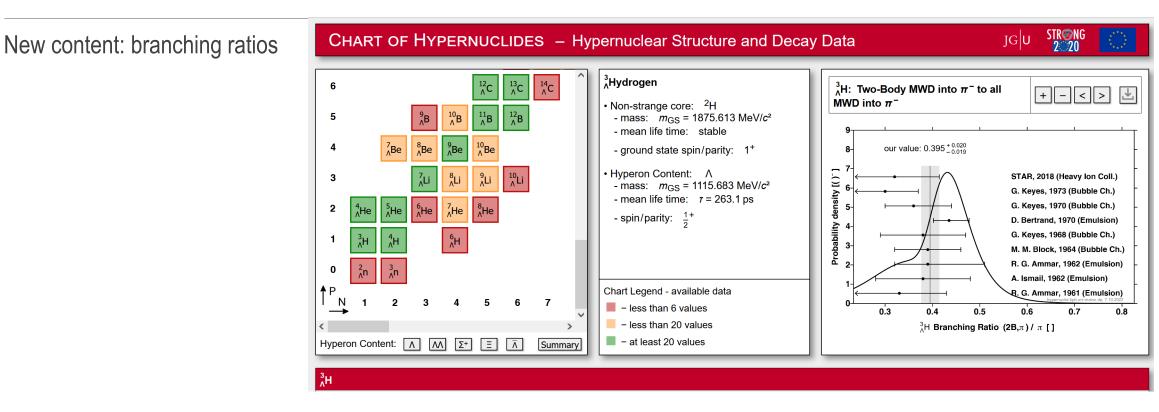
- an interactive hypernucleus database is being built at Mainz
  - https://hypernuclei.kph.uni-mainz.de/
  - goal: provides complete overview of existing data
  - summary plots, errors etc generated automatically
  - export data and plots to files possible
- •DB will continuously updated with new data
- First report is published in HADRON2021 proceedings



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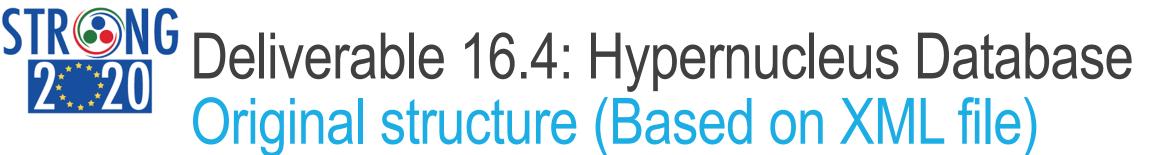


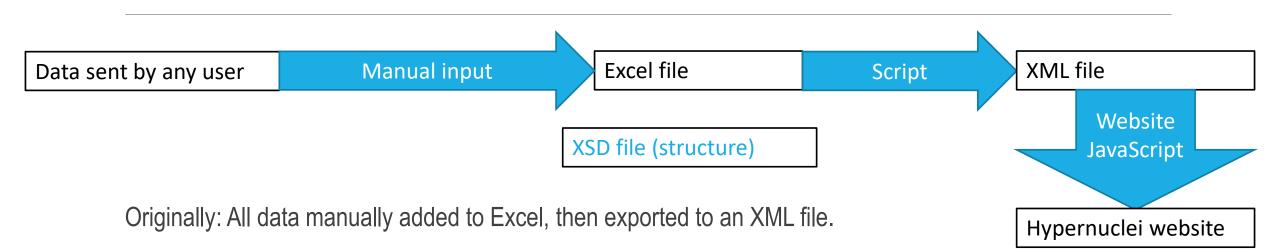
Supplements ideograms by conflation of probability distributions<sup>1</sup>

alternative to averaging the probabilities or averaging the data

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<sup>1</sup>https://arxiv.org/pdf/1005.4978.pdf





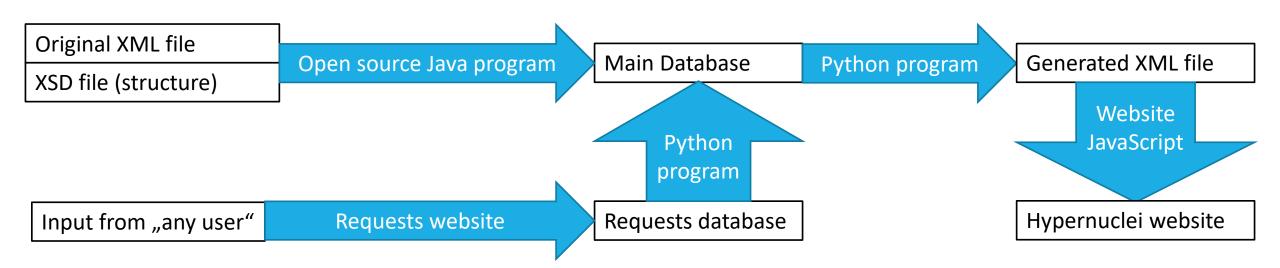
Transition to a database:

- More robust
- Easier to add new data
- Better suited for online hosting

Relational database structure: Tables related via IDs

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Major meetings in 2022

- HYP2022 in Prague, June 27 July 1, 2022 (hybrid)
  - Supported 23 participants
  - Many young scientists and PhD students!
- ExtreMe Matter Institute EMM EMMIWOrkshop Meson and Hyperon Interactions Workshop "Meson and Hyperon Interactions with Nuclei"



14th International Conference on Hypernuclear and **Strange Particle Physics** 

June 27 – July 1, 2022 Prague, Czech Republic



The HYP2022 conference was hosted by:

- Nuclear Physics Institute, Czech Academy of Sciences, Řež
- Faculty of Nuclear Sciences and Physical Engineering, Czech Technical University in Prague

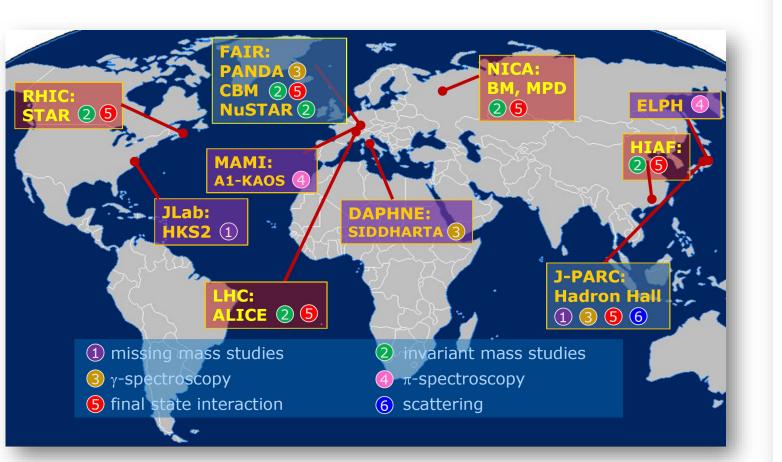
The HYP2022 conference was supported by THEIA-STRONG2020, CAAS, BNL-CZ, CERN-CZ, and FAIR-CZ.

As a pre-conference event, the XXXI Indian-Summer School of Physics was held at the FNSPE CTU in Prague from Jun hrough June 26, 2022.



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### STRONG Input to Mapic Long Range Plan 2024



#### Strangeness nuclear physics

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Abstract

Neutron stars are rich laboratories for physics, combining all four fundamental interactions and many phenomena associated with them under extreme conditions. One of the most intriguing questions is: what do we find in the core of such a compact object?

There has been a wide consensus in nearly all theoretical approaches for neutron star matter that hyperons may appear in the inner core of neutron stars at densities of about twice the nuclear saturation density. However, introducing hyperons as an additional species, the equationof-state is softened. This usually results in a significant reduction of the maximum mass. The recent observations of massive neutron stars with about twice the solar mass and the expected appearance of hyperons at about two times nuclear density remains an unresolved mystery in neutron star physics, the so-called "hyperon puzzle".

Hadrons with strangeness embedded in the nuclear environment, hypernuclei or strange atoms, are the only available tool to approach the many-body aspect of the three-flavor strong interaction. These studies need to be accompanied by elementary scattering experiments and interferometric studies as well as modern theoretical developments.

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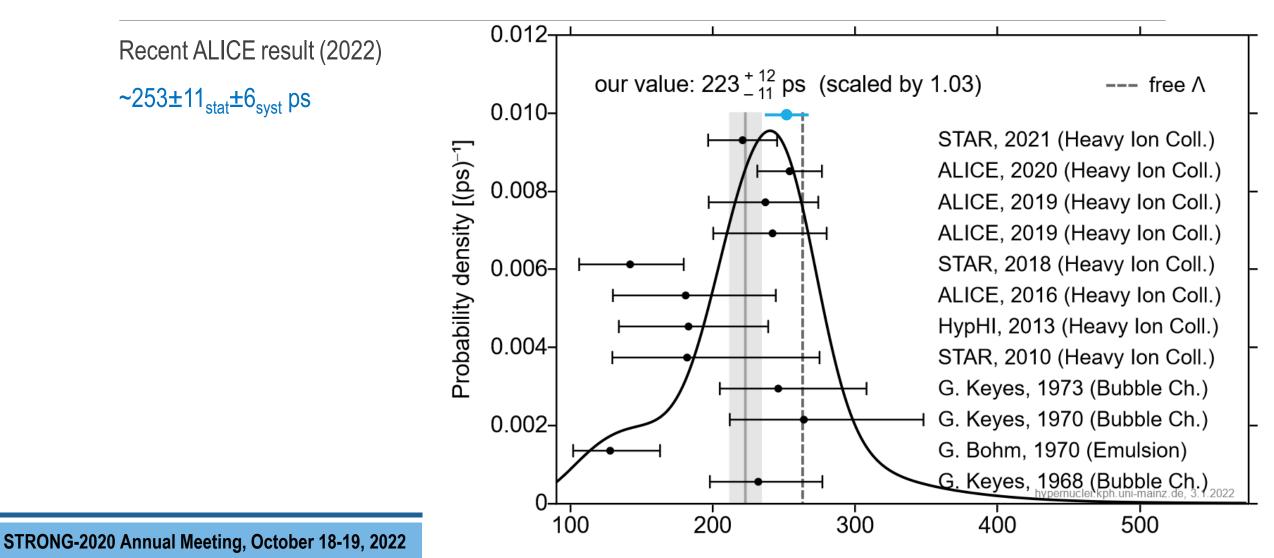
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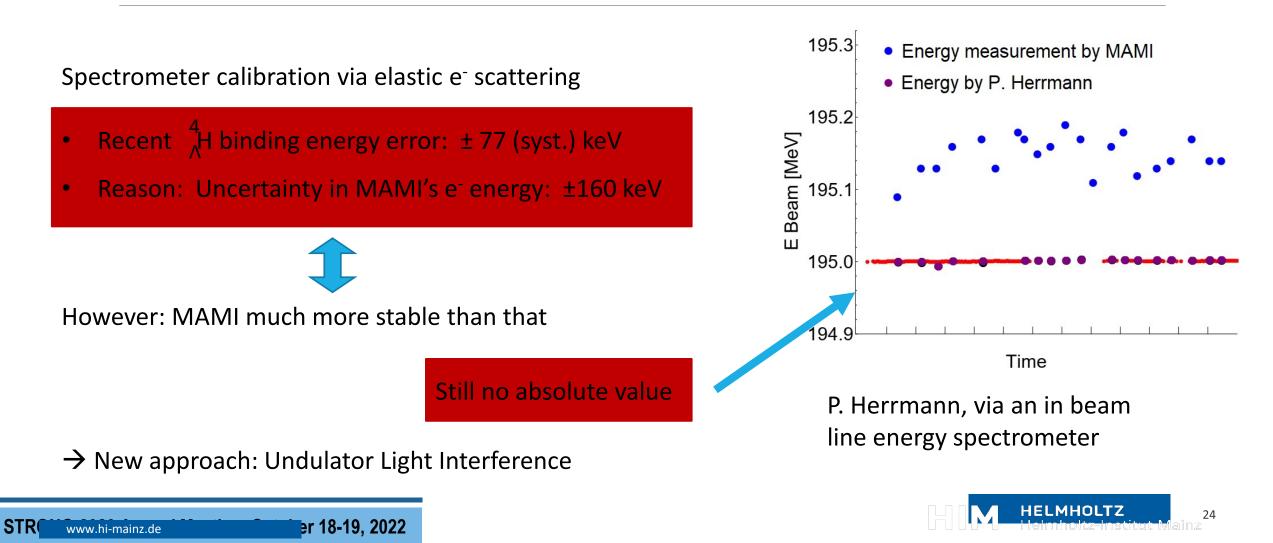




Lifetime of <sup>3</sup><sub>A</sub>H



# Systematic Error due to Spectrometer Calibration





Reconstruction efficiency strongly depends on asymmetry

Poor reconstruction efficiency for high or low longitudinal asymmetries

Asymmetries (+1,+1) and (-1,-1)

$$\Rightarrow p(\Lambda)=0 \text{ or } p(\overline{\Lambda})=0$$

