

# Hyperons in Neutron Stars and Mergers

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# Hyperons and where to find them

A hyperon is a baryon containing one or more strange quarks

Baryon	$I(J^P)$	Mass [MeV]	Quark Content
p	$1/2(1/2^+)$	938.27	uud
n	$1/2(1/2^+)$	939.56	udd
Λ	$0(1/2^+)$	1115.68	uds
$\Sigma^+$	$1(1/2^+)$	1189.37	uus
$\Sigma^0$	$1(1/2^+)$	1192.64	uds
$\Sigma^{-}$	$1(1/2^+)$	1197.45	dds
$\Xi^0$	$1/2(1/2^+)$	1314.86	uss
$\Xi^-$	$1/2(1/2^+)$	1321.71	dss
$\Omega^{-}$	$0(3/2^+)$	1672.45	<i>SSS</i>

The study of hypernucleus allows for

- new spectroscopy

 information on strong and weak interactions between hyperons and nucleons



### **In Neutron Stars**



## **YN and YY interactions**



 Sechi-Zom et al Alexander et al
 Hauptman et al
 Paekenbrock

> Study strangeness in nuclear physics
> Provide input for hypernuclear physics and astrophysics



Scarce YN scattering data due to the short life of hyperons and the low-density beam fluxes

 $\Lambda N$  and  $\Sigma N$ : < 50 data points  $\Xi N$  very few events

NN: > 5000 data for E<sub>lab</sub><350 MeV

### Data from hypernuclei:

- more than 40 ∧-hypernuclei
   (∧N attractive)
- few  $\Lambda \Lambda$  hypernuclei
- $(\Lambda\Lambda$  weak attraction)
- few Ξ-hypernuclei
  (ΞN attractive)
- evidence of 1  $\Sigma$ -hypernuclei ? ( $\Sigma$ N repulsive)

### Data on femtoscopy!

## **Theoretical approaches to YN and YY**

### • Meson exchange models (Juelich/Nijmegen models)

To build YN and YY from a NN meson-exchange model imposing SU(3)<sub>flavor</sub> symmetry Juelich: Holzenkamp, Holinde, Speth '89; Haidenbauer and Meißner '05 Niimegen: Maesen, Rijken, de Swart '89; Rijken, Nagels and Yamamoto '10

### • Chiral effective field theory approach (Juelich-Bonn-Munich group)

To build YN and YY from a chiral effective Lagrangian similarly to NN

interaction

Juelich-Bonn-Munich: Polinder, Haidenbauer and Meißner '06; Haidenbauer, Petschauer, Kaiser, Meißner, Nogga and Weise '13 Kohno '10; Kohno '18

• Quark model potentials

To build YN and YY within constituent quark models

Fujiwara, Suzuki, Nakamoto '07 Garcilazo, Fernandez-Carames and Valcarce '07 '10

V<sub>low k</sub> approach
 Garcilazo, Fernandez-Carames and Valcarce '07'10
 To calculate a "universal" effective low-momentum potential for YN and YY
 using RG techniques
 Schaefer, Wagner, Wambach, Kuo and Brown '06

• Lattice calculations (HALQCD/NPLQCD/BaSc)

To solve YN and YY interactions on the lattice

**HALQCD:** Ishii, Aoki, Hatsuda '07; Aoki, Hatsuda and Ishii '10; Aoki et al '12 **NPLQCD:** Beane, Orginos and Savage '11; Beane et al '12

## **YN scattering**





$$T = V + V \frac{1}{E_0 - H_0 + i\eta} T$$

$$\sigma_{if} \propto |T_{if}|^2$$

latest data on YN scattering using new data from J-PARC and CLAS

Haidenbauer, Meißner, Nogga and Le '23

## **Femtoscopy** (ALICE@LHC)

ALICE Collaboration, Nature 588 (2020) 232 Fabbietti, Mantovani-Sarti, Vazguez-Doce '21

k\* (MeV/c)



#### ALICE, PRC (2019)



#### credit: A. Ramos

First combined analysis of low-energy femtoscopic and scattering data to constrain the s-wave scattering parameters of the  $\Lambda p$  interaction



**Ap interaction is overall less attractive!** 

Mihaylov, Haidenbauer and Mantovani-Sarti '24

#### **Reactions:** Emulsion of

Laboratories:

#### BNL, CERN, KEK, JLab, DA $\phi$ NE, GSI, FAIR 4 **Reactions:** Emulsion data -ray data $(K^-, \pi^-)$ $K_{stop}^{-}, \pi^{-})$ $(K_{stop}^{-}, \pi^{0})$ **Physics aspects** (e.e'K<sup>+</sup>) Hypernuclear structure **AN strong force** $(\pi^+, K^+)$ $\Lambda N \rightarrow NN$ weak force $(\pi^{-}, K^{+})$

### **Hypertriton lifetime puzzle**



Hypernuclei

Expected  $\tau({}^{3}_{\Lambda}H) = \tau(\Lambda)$ 

 $\Leftrightarrow$  observed:  $\tau({}^{3}_{\Lambda}H) < \tau(\Lambda)$ 

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Conflicting measurements by STAR(2018) and ALICE(2019) of the hypertriton lifetime triggered the revived experimental and theoretical interest.

Recent data solved the puzzle?

## Hyperons in matter Λ in dense matter

Υ

$$\begin{array}{c}
\mathbf{Y} \\
\mathbf{G} \\
\mathbf{\Lambda} \\
\mathbf{\Lambda} \\
\mathbf{\Lambda}
\end{array}$$

$$G = V + V \frac{Q_{\text{pauli}}}{E_0 - H_0} G$$

with new parametrization from combined analysis of scattering data and correlation functions

Mihaylov, Haidenbauer and Mantovani-Sarti '24



## **Hyperons and Neutron Stars**





- produced in core collapse
   supernova explosions, usually
   observed as pulsars
- usually refer to compact objects with M≈1-2 M<sub>☉</sub> and R≈10-12 Km
- extreme densities up to 5-10  $\rho_0$ (n<sub>0</sub>=0.16 fm<sup>-3</sup> =>  $\rho_0$ =3•10<sup>14</sup> g/cm<sup>3</sup>)
- magnetic field : B ~ 10 8..16 G
- temperature: T ~ 10 6...11 K
- observations: masses, radius, gravitational waves...



### **Masses**

#### credit: P. Freire



### Radius

#### NICER

X-rays from hot spots at the surface of rotating neutron stars PSR J0030+0451 PSR J0740+6620 PSR J0437-4715



## **Observations**

### GW170817

#### Abbot et al. (LIGO-VIRGO) '17 '18



..also GW190425, GW190814

## What about Hyperons?

First proposed in 1960 by Ambartsumyan & Saakyan

Hyperon	Mass (MeV/c <sup>2</sup> )
Λ	$1115.57 \pm 0.06$
$\Sigma^+$	$1189.37 \pm 0.06$
$\Sigma^0$	$1192.55 \pm 0.10$
$\Sigma^{-}$	$1197.50 \pm 0.05$
$\Xi^0$	$1314.80\pm0.8$
$\Xi^{-}$	$1321.34 \pm 0.14$
$\Omega^{-}$	$1672.43 \pm 0.14$

 $p \ e^- \rightarrow n \ \nu_e$ 

Traditionally neutron stars were modeled by a uniform fluid of neutron rich matter in  $\beta$ -equilibrium  $n \rightarrow p \ e^- \ \overline{\nu}_e$ 

but more exotic degrees of freedom are expected, such as **hyperons**, due to:

- high value of density at the center and
- the rapid increase of the nucleon chemical potential with density

### **Hyperons might be present** at $n \sim (2-3)n_0$ !!!

# **β-stable** hyperonic matter

 $\mu_N$  is large enough to make N->Y favorable

$$n + n \rightarrow n + \Lambda$$

$$p + e^{-} \rightarrow \Lambda + v_{e^{-}}$$

$$n + n \rightarrow p + \Sigma^{-}$$

$$n + e^{-} \rightarrow \Sigma^{-} + v_{e^{-}}$$

$$\mu_i = b_i \mu_n - q_i \mu_e$$
$$\sum_i x_i q_i = 0$$





## **The Hyperon Puzzle**



### Scarce (but improving) experimental information:

- data from several single  $\Lambda$ - and few  $\Xi$ - hypernuclei, and few double  $\Lambda$  hypernuclei

few YN scattering data
 (~ 50 points) due to
 difficulties in preparing
 hyperon beams and no
 hyperon targets available

- YN data from femtoscopy

The presence of hyperons in neutron stars is energetically probable as density increases. However, it induces a strong softening of the EoS that leads to maximum neutron star masses < 2M<sub>☉</sub>

### **Solution?**

- Stiffer YN and YY interactions
- hyperonic 3-body forces
- ➢ push of Y onset by ∆-isobars or meson condensates
- > quark matter below Y onset
- dark matter, modified gravity theories...

## **Neutron Star Mergers**

Blacker, Kochankovski, Bauswein, Ramos and LT '24







Kochankovski, Ramos and LT '22

Bauswein and Stergioulas '15



check the thermal behaviour!!!

#### <u>conclusion</u>

hyperonic models lead to systematically higher frequencies by up to  $\Delta f \sim 150$  Hz, being small but potentially sizeable



### Space missions to study the interior of NS



constraints from pulse profile modelling of rotation-powered pulsars with eXTP

### and multimessenger astronomy!



## **Present and Future**



A lot of theoretical and experimental (scattering, femtoscopy, hypernuclei) effort has been invested to understand hyperon-nucleon and hyperon-hyperon interactions

The presence of hyperons in neutron stars is energetically probable as density increases. However, it induces a strong softening of the equation of state that leads to maximum neutron star masses  $< 2M_{\odot}$  This is known as The Hyperon Puzzle.

Need of new routes to search for strangeness: neutron star mergers?

The future of hyperon physics relies on particle and nuclear experiments as well as X-ray and multimessenger astronomy







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