

Studies of low-energy kaons interactions in nuclear matter by AMADEUS

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Motivation and Scientific Case

The investigation of the **in-medium modification of the $\bar{K}N$ interaction** is of **fundamental** for the low-energy QCD in the non perturbative regime.

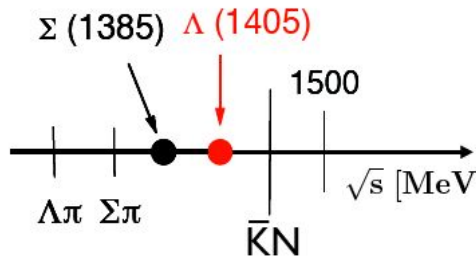
Chiral perturbation theory (ChPT): effective field theory where mesons and baryons represent the effective degrees of freedom instead of the fundamental quark and gluon fields.

$$\mathcal{L}_{eff} = \mathcal{L}_{mesons}(\Phi) + \mathcal{L}_B(\Phi, \Psi_B)$$

- The chiral symmetry is **spontaneously broken** \rightarrow the existence of massless and spinless Nambu-Goldstone bosons which are identified with the pions. Explicitly broken by q masses.
- **Very successful** in describing the πN , $\pi\pi$ and NN interactions in the low-energy regime and is considered as the theory of the low-energy strong interaction **in the SU(2) flavour sector**.

The extension of the theory to the sector with the quarks turns out to be more problematic since it is not directly applicable to the $\bar{K}N$ channel.

The χ PT is not applicable to the $\bar{K}N$ channel due to the emerging of the $\Lambda(1405)$ and the $\Sigma(1385)$ resonances just below the $\bar{K}N$ mass threshold



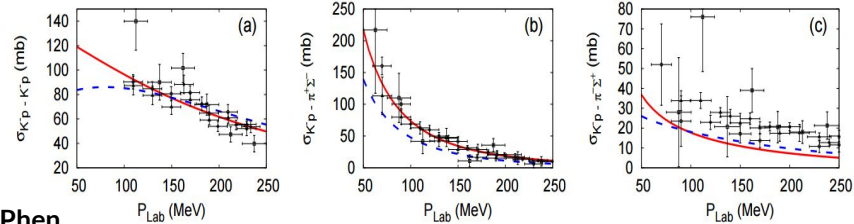
$\Lambda(1405)$ $I=0$ $J^P = \frac{1}{2}^-$
 $M = (1405.1^{+1.3}_{-1.0})$ MeV $\Gamma = (50.5 \pm 2.0)$ MeV
 decay modes: $\Sigma\pi$ ($I=0$) 100%

$\Sigma(1385)$ $I=1$ $J^P = 3/2^+$
 decay modes: $\Lambda\pi$ ($I=1$) (87.0 ± 1.5) %
 $\Sigma\pi$ ($I=1$) (11.7 ± 1.5) %

Possible solutions:

- Non-perturbative Coupled Channels approach: Chiral Unitary SU(3) Dynamics
- Phenomenological $\bar{K}N$ and NN potentials

The parameters of the models are constrained by the existing scattering data

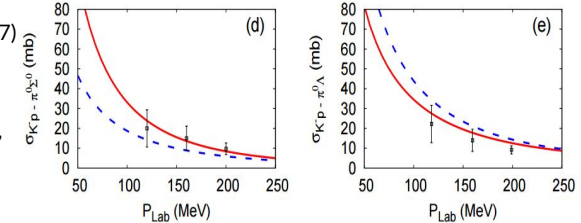


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Y. Ikeda and T. Sato, Phys. Rev. C76, 035203 (2007)

— Chiral

S. Ohnishi, Y. Ikeda, T. Hyodo, W. Weise, Phys.Rev. C93 (2016) no.2, 025207



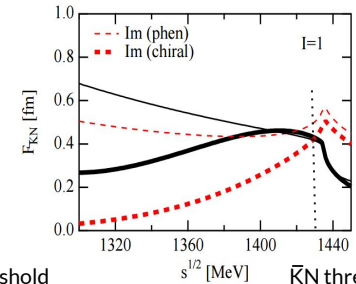
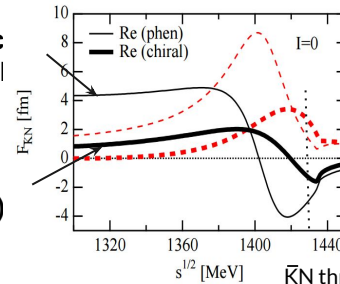
...but... large differences in the subthreshold extrapolations!
Significantly weaker attraction in chiral SU(3) models than in phenomenological potential models.

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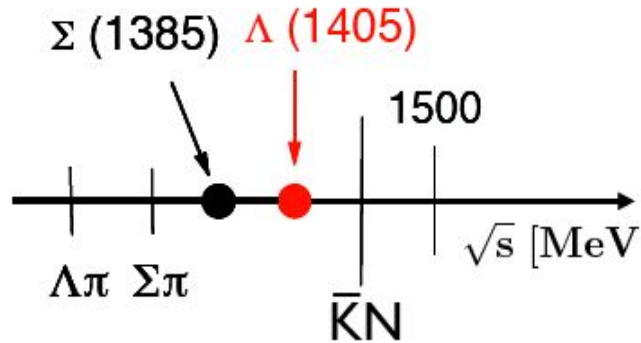
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Phenomenologic potential model

Chiral SU(3) dynamics



The controversial nature of the $\Lambda(1405)$



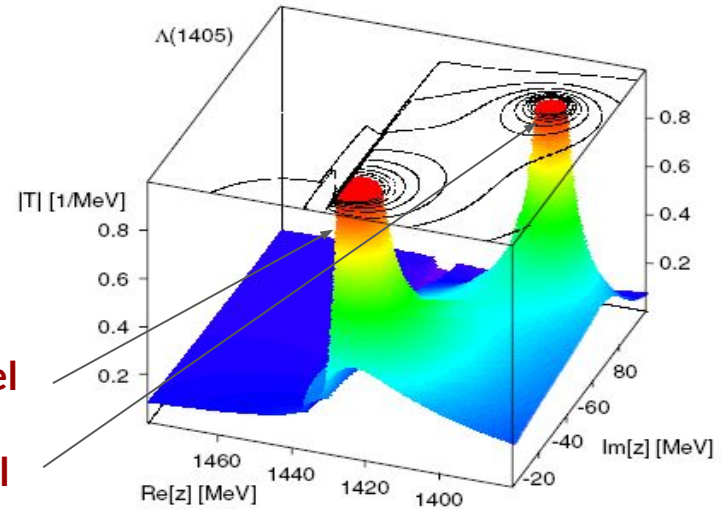
The $\Lambda(1405)$ state does not fit with the simple three quarks model (uds) and it is commonly accepted that it is, at least partially, a $\bar{K}N$ bound state.

- **Chiral SU(3) coupled channel dynamics:** the state is given by the superpositions of two poles of the $\bar{K}N$ scattering amplitude.

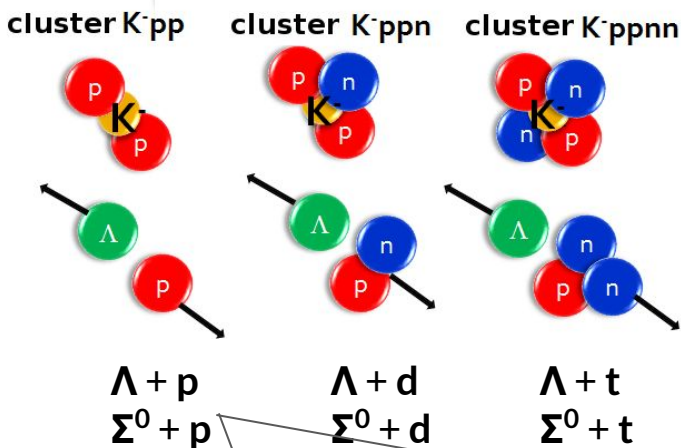
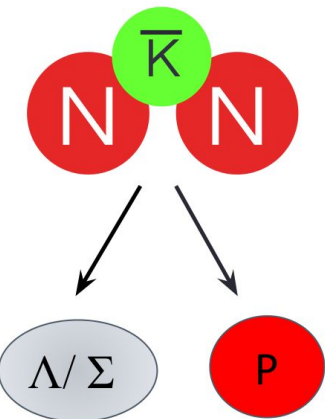
$M = 1425 \text{ MeV} \rightarrow$ mainly coupled to the $\bar{K}N$ channel

$M = 1380 \text{ MeV} \rightarrow$ mainly coupled to the $\Sigma\pi$ channel

- **Phenomenological potentials models:** the $\Lambda(1405)$ is a pure $\bar{K}N$ bound state with mass $M=1405 \text{ MeV}$, binding energy $BE = 27 \text{ MeV}$ and width $\Gamma=50 \text{ MeV}$.



Possible existence of kaonic bound states



Wycech (1986) - Akaishi & Yamazaki (2002)



Predicted in the $\bar{K}N$ interaction in the $I=0$ channel due to the strong interaction

Essential impact on the EoS of Neutron Stars
gravitational waves signal emitted by binary system of Neutron Stars

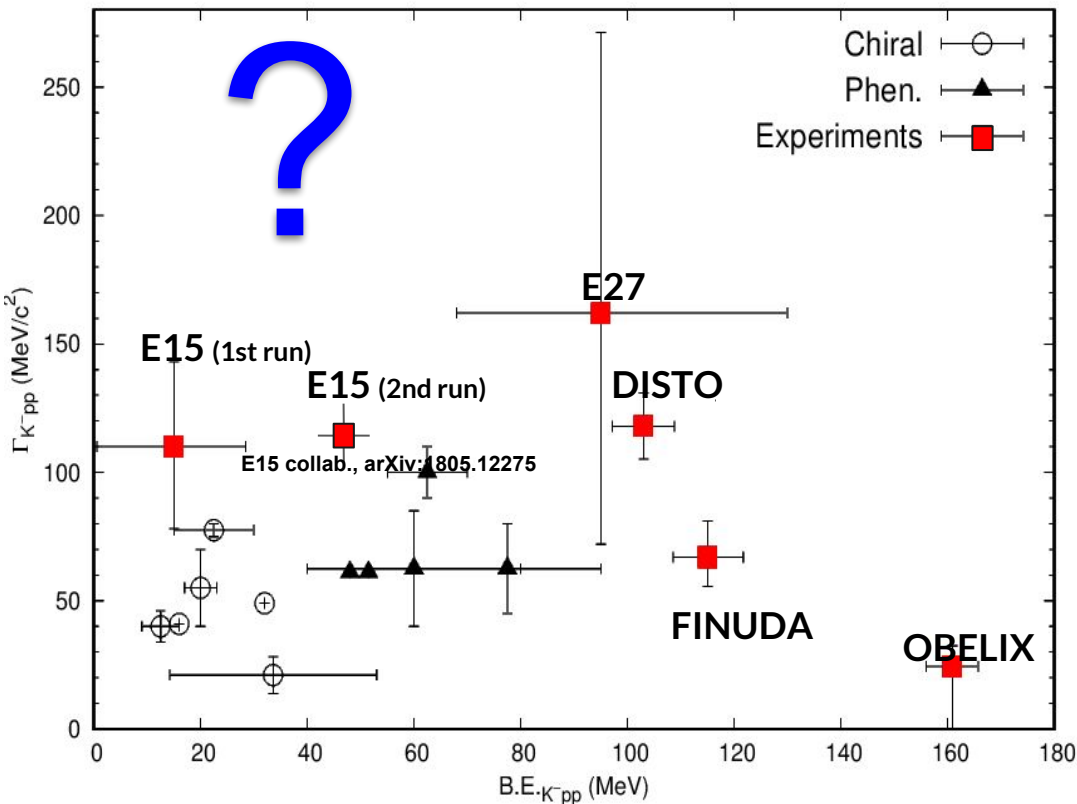
Theory

	BE (MeV)	Γ (MeV)	Reference
Dote, Hyodo, Weise	17-23	40-70	Phys.Rev.C79 (2009) 014003
Akaishi, Yamazaki	48	61	Phys.Rev.C65 (2002) 044005
Barnea, Gal, Liverts	16	41	Phys.Lett.B712 (2012) 132-137
Ikeda, Sato	60-95	45-80	Phys.Rev.C76 (2007) 035203
Ikeda, Kamano, Sato	9-16	34-46	Prog.Theor.Phys. (2010) 124(3): 533
Shevchenko, Gal, Mares	55-70	90-110	Phys.Rev.Lett.98 (2007) 082301
Revai, Shevchenko	32	49	Phys.Rev.C90 (2014) no.3, 034004
Maeda, Akaishi, Yamazaki	51.5	61	Proc.Jpn.Acad.B 89, (2013) 418
Bicudo	14.2-53	13.8-28.3	Phys.Rev.D76 (2007) 031502
Bayar, Oset	15-30	75-80	Nucl.Phys.A914 (2013) 349
Wycech, Green	40-80	40-85	Phys.Rev.C79 (2009) 014001

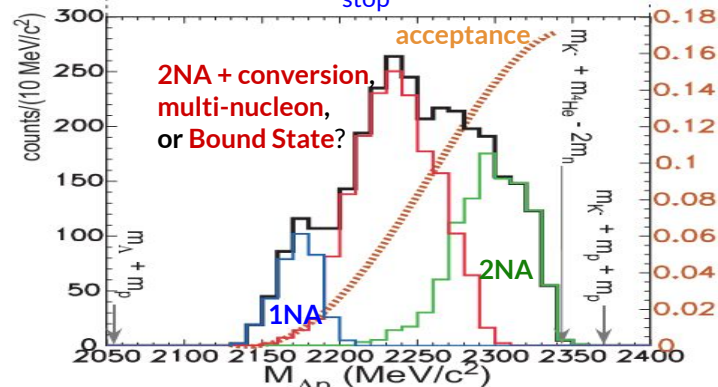
Experiments

Experiment	BE (MeV)	Γ (MeV)	Reference
FINUDA	115^{+6}_{-5} (stat.) $^{+3}_{-4}$ (syst.)	67^{+14}_{-11} (stat.) $^{+2}_{-3}$ (syst.)	PRL 94 (2005), 212303
OBELIX	160.9 ± 4.9	$< 24.4 \pm 8.0$	NPA 789 (2007), 222
E549	-	-	MPLA 23 (2008), 2520
DISTO	103 ± 3 (stat.) ± 5 (syst.)	118 ± 8 (stat.) ± 10 (syst.)	PRL 104 (2010), 132502
LEPS/SPring-8	Upper Limit		PLB 728 (2014), 616
HADES	Upper Limit		PLB 742 (2015), 242
E27	95^{+18}_{-17} (stat.) $^{+30}_{-21}$ (syst.)	162^{+87}_{-45} (stat.) $^{+66}_{-78}$ (syst.)	PTEP (2015), 021D01
AMADEUS	Upper Limit		PLB 758 (2016), 134
E15	15^{+6}_{-8} (stat.) ± 12 (syst.)	110^{+19}_{-17} (stat.) ± 27 (syst.)	PTEP (2016), 051D01

How deep can be bound antikaon in nucleus?

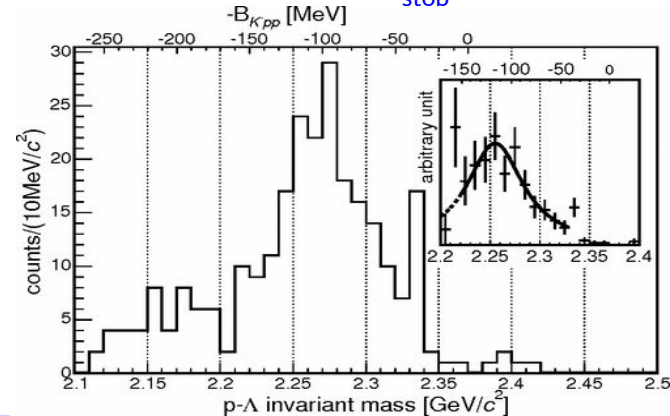


E549 at KEK: $K^-_{stop} + {}^4\text{He} \rightarrow \Lambda + p + X'$



T. Suzuki et al., Mod. Phys. Lett. A23 (2008) 2520-2523

FINUDA at DAFNE: $K^-_{stop} + X \rightarrow \Lambda + p + X'$



$$BE = (115^{+3}_{-5} \text{ (stat.)} +^{+3}_{-4} \text{ (syst.)}) \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Gamma = (67^{+14}_{-11} \text{ (stat.)} +^{+2}_{-3} \text{ (syst.)}) \text{ eV/c}^2$$

AMADEUS @ DAFNE

KLOE-at-DAΦNE
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DAFNE

- $\phi \rightarrow K^- K^+$ (49.2%), $\approx 1000 \phi/s$
- monochromatic **low momentum**
Kaons $\approx 127 \text{ MeV}/c$
- **back to back** $K^- K^+$ topology
- **small hadronic background** due to the beam

AMADEUS step 0: KLOE 2004-2005 dataset analysis ($\mathcal{L} = 1.74 \text{ pb}^{-1}$)

AMADEUS scientific case

- nature of $\Lambda(1405)$ and K^-N amplitude below threshold

- K^- multiN absorption

- kaonic nuclear clusters



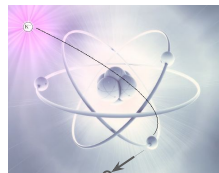
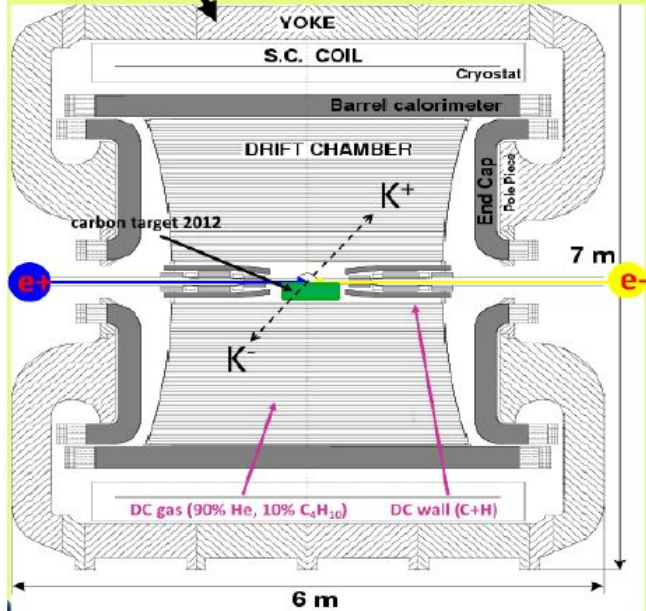
YN correlation studies
($\Lambda p, \Sigma^0 p, \Lambda t$)

- low-energy charged K cross section (for $p=100 \text{ MeV}$)

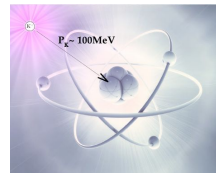
KLOE

- Cylindrical DC with 4π geometry & electromagnetic calorimeter
- **96% acceptance**
- **high efficiency and resolution** for charged and neutral particles
- exclusive measurement of the considered

**K^- absorption on light nuclei
AT REST & IN FLIGHT**



K- absorbed from atomic orbit



K⁻ N single nucleon absorption resonant and non-resonant amplitudes

Λ(1405) case

Goal: how much comes from resonance in **K⁻N → Yπ**

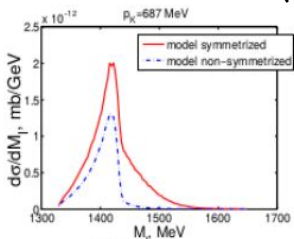


FIG. 4: Theoretical ($\pi^0\Sigma^0$) invariant mass distribution for an initial kaon lab momenta of 687 MeV. The non-symmetrized distribution also contains the factor 1/2 in the cross section.

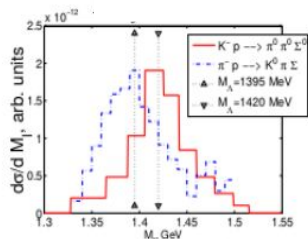
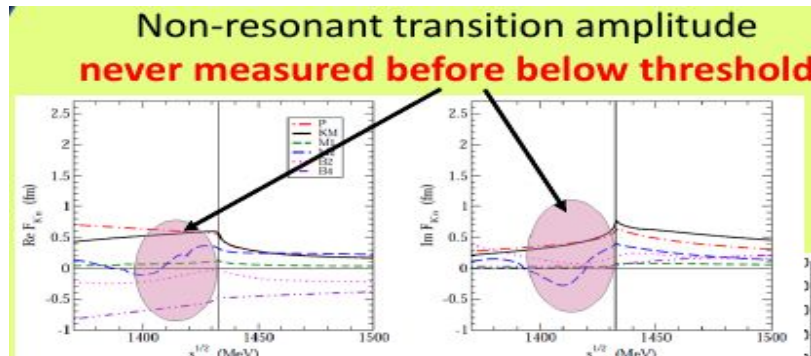
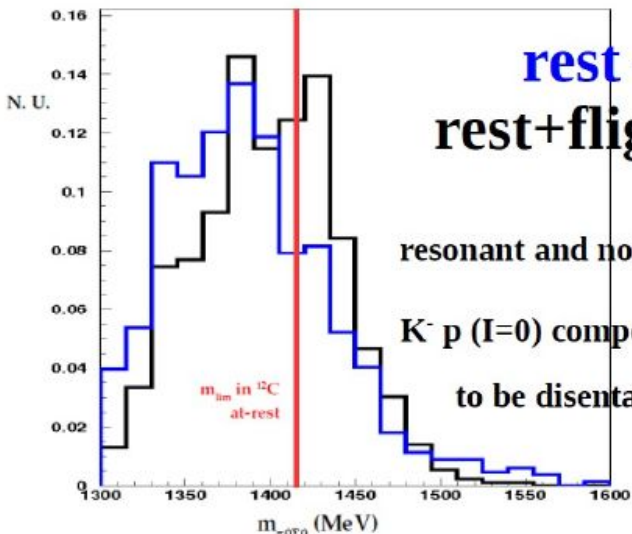


FIG. 5: Two experimental shapes of $\Lambda(1405)$ resonance. See text for more details.



J. Hrtankova, J. Mares, Phys. Rev. C96, 015205 (2017)
A. Cieply et al, Nucl. Phys. A 954, 17 (2016)

**IN FLIGHT K⁻ ¹²C
opens window
between 1416 MeV
and KN threshold**

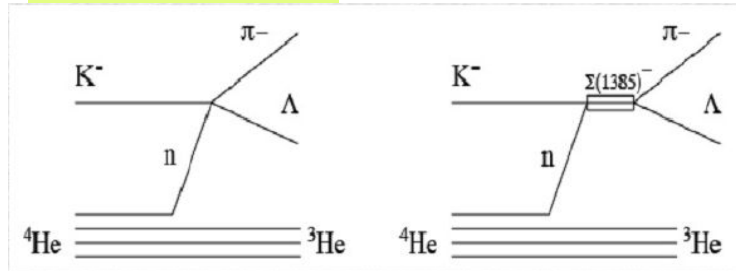


**rest –
rest+flight –**

resonant and non-resonant

**K⁻ p (I=0) components are
to be disentangled**

K⁻ "n" → Λπ⁻ direct formation in **⁴He**

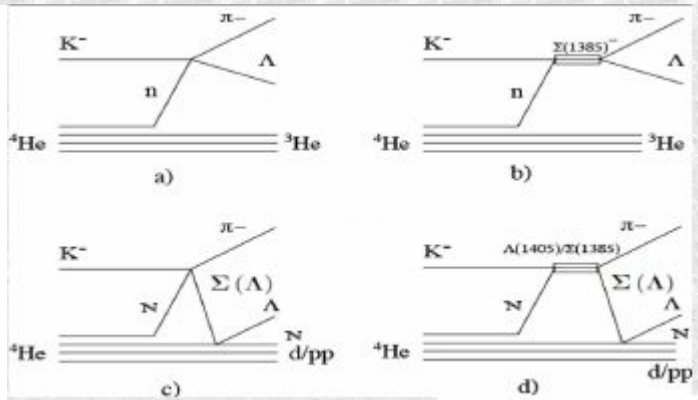


$$|f^{N-R}_{\Lambda\pi} (I=1)| \longrightarrow |f^{N-R}_{\Sigma\pi} (I=0)|$$

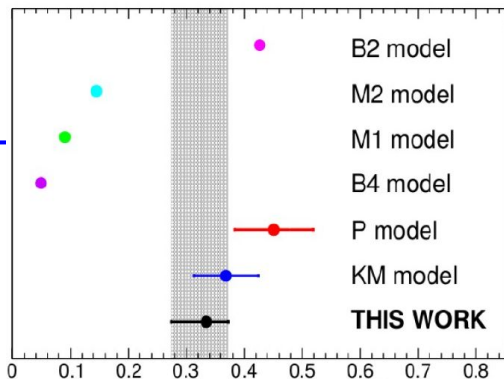
$K^- \ ^4\text{He} \rightarrow \Lambda p \ ^3\text{He}$ resonant and non-resonant processes

K. P., S. Wycech and C. Curceanu, Nucl. Phys. A954 (2016) 75-93

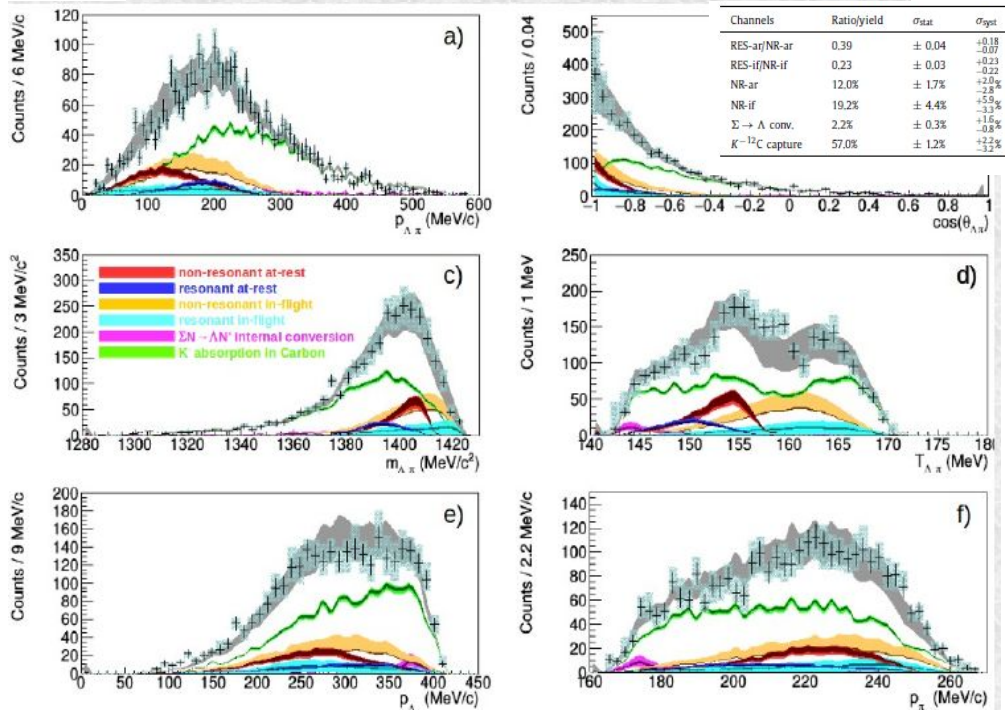
R. Del Grande, K. P., S. Wycech, Acta Phys. Pol. B 48 (2017) 1881



Simulations for resonant and non-resonant processes performed based on calculations for both S-state and P-state K- capture AT REST and IN FLIGHT



Simultaneous fit : $(p_{\Lambda\pi^-} - m_{\Lambda\pi^-} - \cos(\theta_{\Lambda\pi^-}))$



From the well known Σ^* transition probability:

$$\frac{\text{NR} - \text{ar}}{\text{RES} - \text{ar}} = \frac{\int_0^{p_{max}} P_{ar}^{nr}(p_{\Lambda\pi}) dp_{\Lambda\pi}}{\int_0^{p_{max}} P_{ar}^{res}(p_{\Lambda\pi}) dp_{\Lambda\pi}} = |f_{ar}^s|^2 \cdot 8,94 \cdot 10^5 \text{MeV}^2$$

$$|f_{ar}^{nr}| = |A_{K^-n \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^-}| = (0.334 \pm 0.018 \text{ stat}^{+0.034}_{-0.058} \text{ syst}) \text{ fm}$$

- 1) extract the amplitude for each model .. $A_{K_n} = (\text{Re}F_{K_n}^2 + \text{Im}F_{K_n}^2)^{1/2}$
- 2) scale the amplitudes for the K^-n couplings to the $\Sigma\pi^0$ and $\Sigma^0\pi^-$ channels:

$$\frac{\text{Prob}_{K^-n \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^-}}{\text{Prob}_{K^-n \rightarrow \Sigma^0\pi^-}} = \frac{Ph_{K^-n \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^-}}{c_1 Ph_{K^-n \rightarrow \Sigma^0\pi^-}}$$

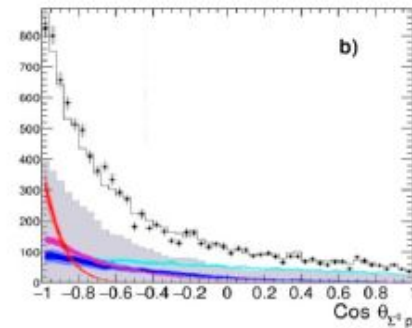
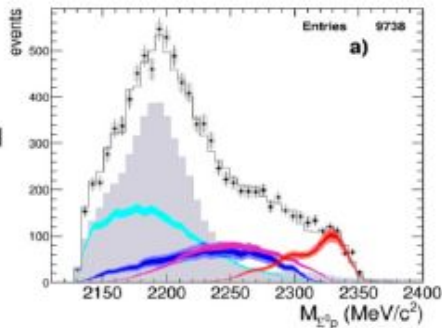
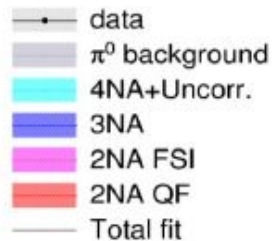
$$\frac{\text{Prob}_{K^-n \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^-}}{\text{Prob}_{K^-n \rightarrow \Sigma^0\pi^-}} = \frac{Ph_{K^-n \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^-}}{c_2 Ph_{K^-n \rightarrow \Sigma^0\pi^-}}$$

Isospin (1, 1) = (1, -1) component

Phase spaces ratios

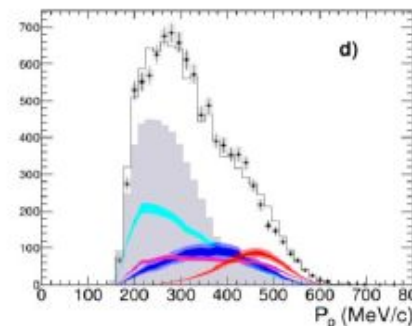
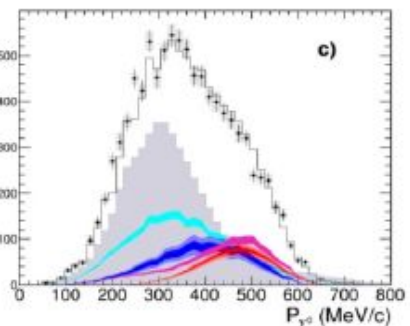
Low-energy K^- ^{12}C absorption $\Sigma^0\text{p}/\Lambda\text{p}$ final states

Final fit



$$\chi^2 = 0.85$$

2NA-QF clearly separated from other processes



No statistically significant bound state emerges at 2σ level



- Λp analysis finalized
- K multiN BRs and cross sections for kaon mom $\sim 100\text{MeV}/c$ determined

Contribution from eventual K^-pp bound state overlaps with 2NA-QF contribution



its absolute yield remains indistinguishable

O. Vazquez Doce, et. al., Phys. Lett. B758, 134 (2016)

	yield / $K_{stop}^- \cdot 10^{-2}$	$\sigma_{stat} \cdot 10^{-2}$	$\sigma_{syst} \cdot 10^{-2}$
2NA-QF	0.127	± 0.019	$+0.004$ -0.008
2NA-FSI	0.272	± 0.028	$+0.022$ -0.023
Tot 2NA	0.376	± 0.033	$+0.023$ -0.032
3NA	0.274	± 0.069	$+0.044$ -0.021
Tot 3body	0.546	± 0.074	$+0.048$ -0.033
4NA + bkg.	0.773	± 0.053	$+0.025$ -0.076

Cross section and BR for 4NA in $K^- ^4\text{He} \rightarrow \Lambda t$ process

Previous data:

- in ^4He : bubble chamber experiment

/M. Roosen, J. H. Wickens, II Nuovo Cimento 66, 101 (1981)/

only 3 events compatible with Λt kinematics found

$$\text{BR}(K^- ^4\text{He} \rightarrow \Lambda t) = (3 \pm 2) \times 10^{-4} / K_{\text{stop}} \rightarrow \text{global, no 4NA}$$

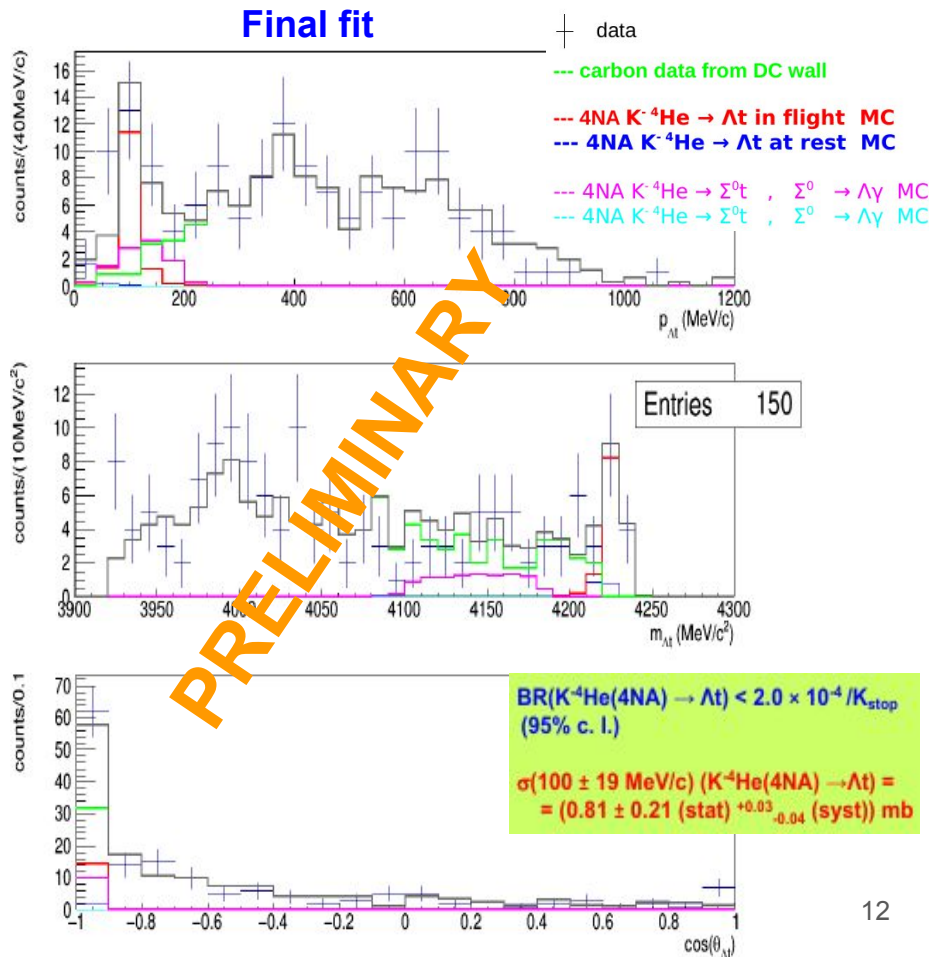
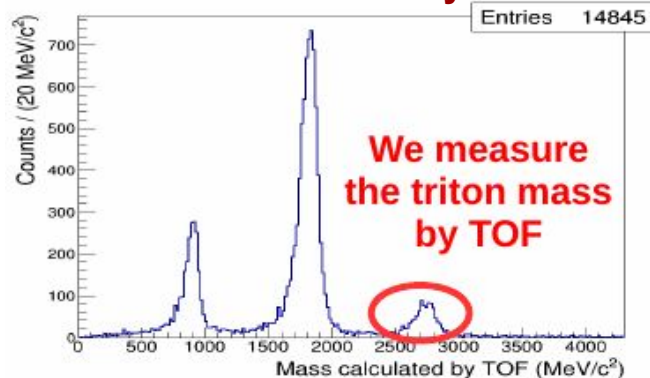
- in solid targets: $^6,7\text{Li}$, ^9Be (FINUDA)

/Phys. Lett. B, 229 (2008)/

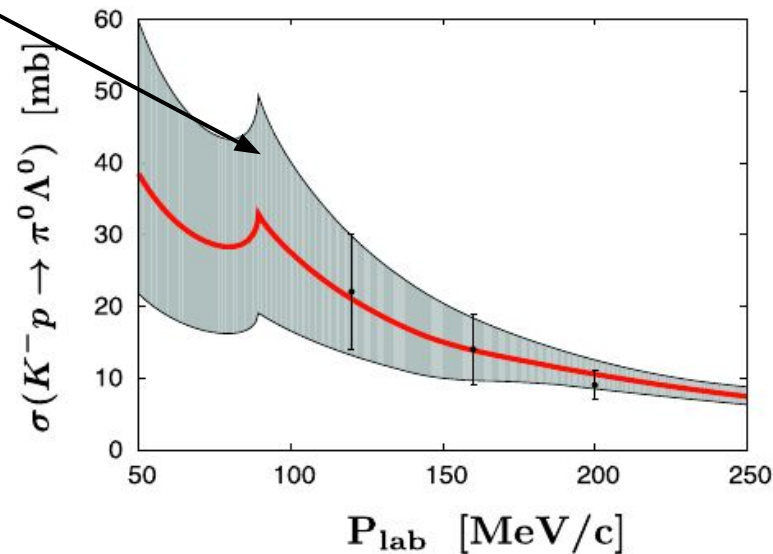
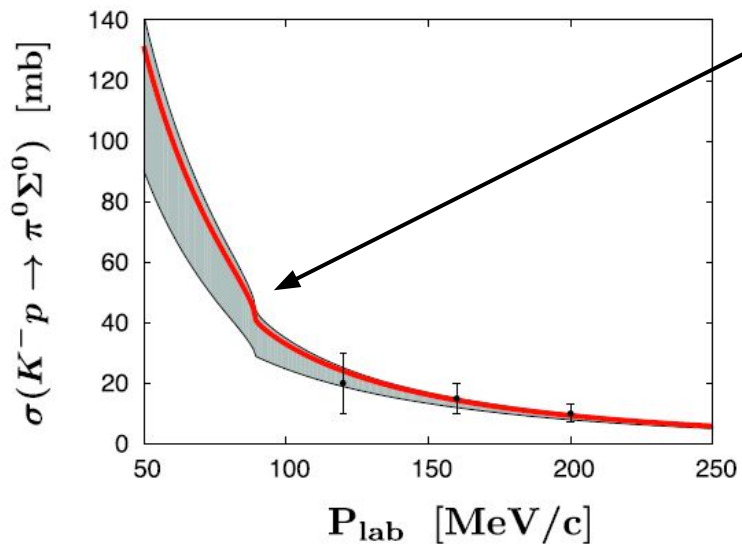
40 events, only back-to-back data

$$\Lambda t \text{ emission yield} \rightarrow 10^{-3} - 10^{-4} / K_{\text{stop}} \rightarrow \text{global, no 4NA}$$

AMADEUS analysis



**Perspective: measurement of the $K^- p \rightarrow \Sigma^0 \pi^0 / \Lambda \pi^0$ cross sections
for $p_K = 98 \pm 10$ MeV/c**



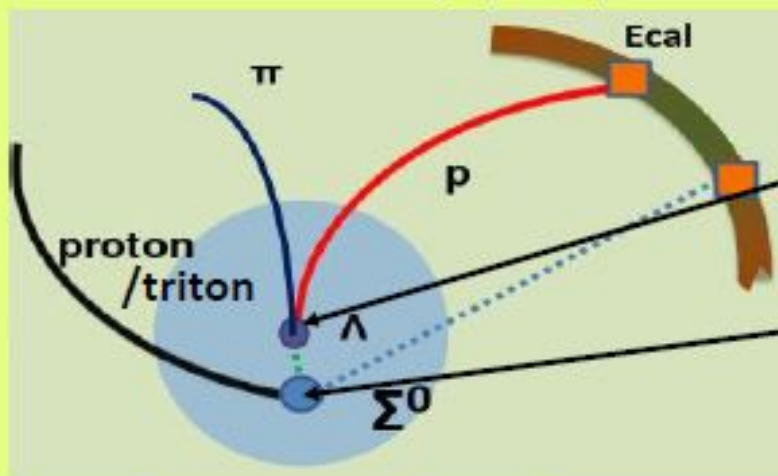
Y. Ikeda, T Hyodo, W. Weise, et. al., Phys. Lett. B706, 63 (2011); Nucl. Phys. A881, 98 (2012)

Low momentum K^- scattering cross sections in this Isospin $I = 0$ channel represent a fundamental input for the non-perturbative low energy QCD models

Thank you for attention!

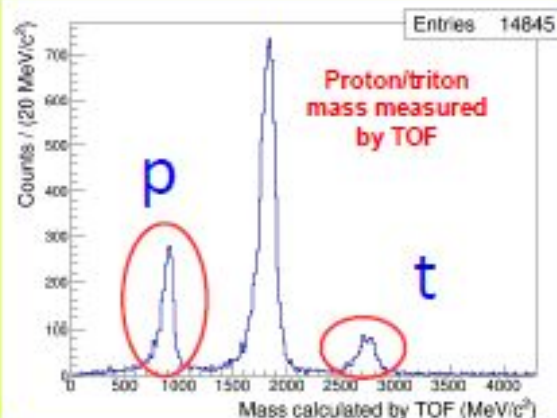
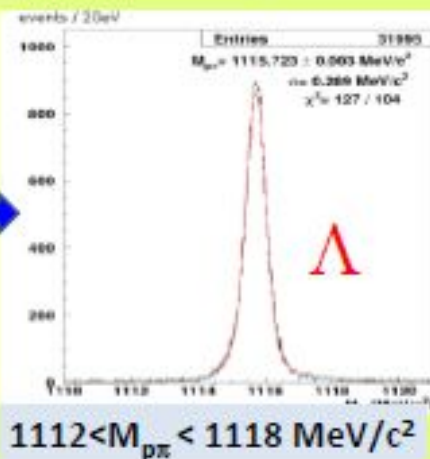
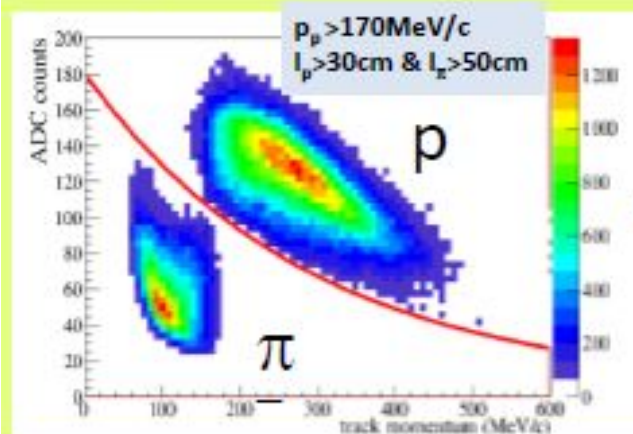
$K^- ^{12}\text{C} \rightarrow \Lambda/\Sigma^0 \text{ p (2NA)}$

$K^- ^4\text{He} \rightarrow \Lambda/\Sigma^0 \text{ t (4NA)}$



Λ decay vertex

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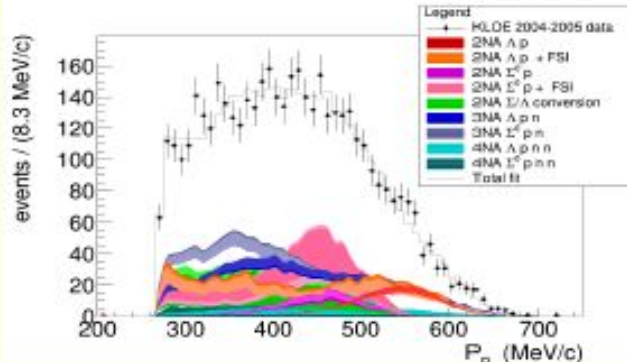
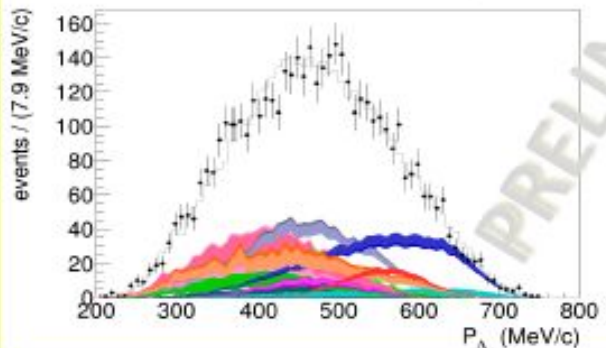
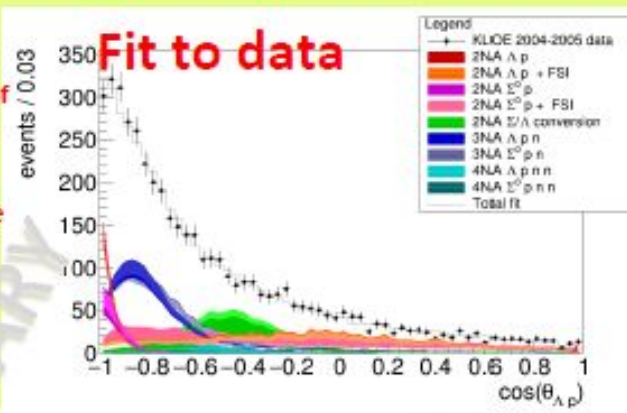
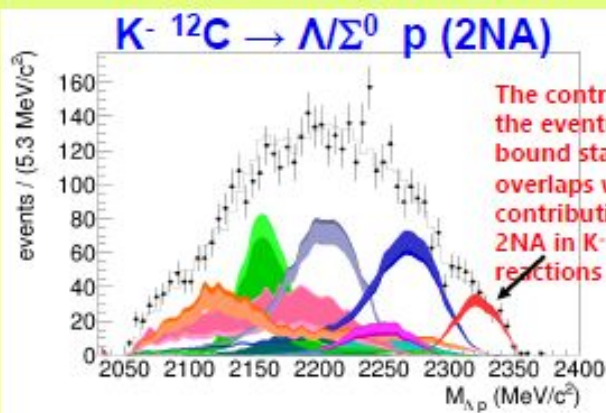


Table 1 Branching ratios and cross sections of the K^- multi-nucleon absorption processes. The statistical and systematic errors are also shown.

Process	Branching Ratio (%)	σ (mb)	Θ	p_K (MeV/c)
2NA-QF Λp	0.25 ± 0.02 (stat.) $^{+0.01}_{-0.02}$ (syst.)	2.8 ± 0.3 (stat.) $^{+0.1}_{-0.2}$ (syst.)	Θ	128 ± 29
2NA-FSI Λp	6.2 ± 1.4 (stat.) $^{+3.5}_{-0.6}$ (syst.)	69 ± 15 (stat.) ± 6 (syst.)	Θ	128 ± 29
2NA-QF $\Sigma^0 p$	0.35 ± 0.09 (stat.) $^{+0.13}_{-0.04}$ (syst.)	3.9 ± 1.0 (stat.) $^{+1.4}_{-0.7}$ (syst.)	Θ	128 ± 29
2NA-FSI $\Sigma^0 p$	7.2 ± 2.2 (stat.) $^{+4.2}_{-3.2}$ (syst.)	80 ± 25 (stat.) $^{+40}_{-60}$ (syst.)	Θ	128 ± 29
3NA $\Lambda p n$	1.4 ± 0.2 (stat.) $^{+0.1}_{-0.2}$ (syst.)	15 ± 2 (stat.) ± 2 (syst.)	Θ	117 ± 23
3NA $\Sigma^0 p n$	3.7 ± 0.4 (stat.) $^{+0.2}_{-0.4}$ (syst.)	41 ± 4 (stat.) $^{+2}_{-5}$ (syst.)	Θ	117 ± 23
4NA $\Lambda p n n$	0.13 ± 0.09 (stat.) $^{+0.08}_{-0.07}$ (syst.)			
2NA- Σ/Λ conv.	2.1 ± 1.2 (stat.) $^{+0.9}_{-0.5}$ (syst.)			

$$BR(K^- ^{12}C \rightarrow \Lambda(\Sigma^0) p R) = 0.177 \pm 0.024(\text{stat.})^{+0.027}_{-0.032}(\text{syst.})$$