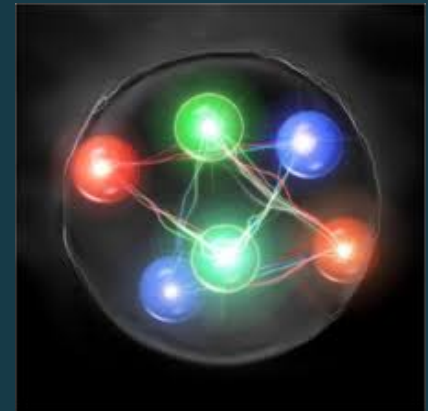


Hexaquark studies in the light quark sector

Dan Watts

Main aims of Strong-2020 dibaryon/hexaquark workpackage

- Network the community of hexaquark/dibaryon researchers
- Expand the community
- Engage wider stakeholders (e.g. astrophysics community, PP, ..)
- Feel free to get in touch!



Overview

- $d^*(2380)$ – Theoretical studies

- Overview and recent progress
 - Potential astrophysics relevance

- $d^*(2380)$ - Experimental evidence

- NN scattering
 - Photon beam investigations
 - (Some of) the future plans

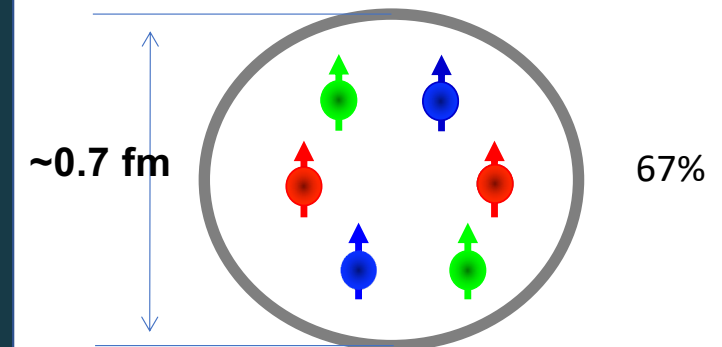
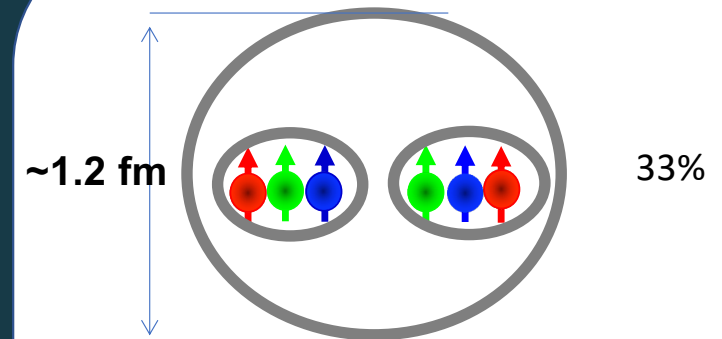
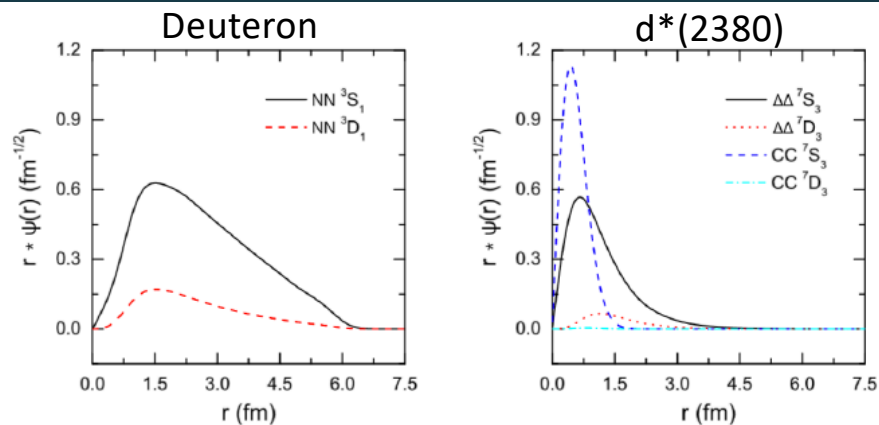
$d^*(2380)$ – theoretical studies

Historical review, see review ([H. Clement](#) *Prog.Part.Nucl.Phys.* **93** (2017) 195)

$d^*(2380)$ in chiral quark model

Any quark model with confinement and one gluon exchange *inevitably* predicts a 6-quark object with $(1)J^P=(0)3^+$

T Goldman et. al. Phys. Rev. C 39, 1889 (1989)



Recent microscopic chiral quark models
 $\Delta\Delta$ + hidden colour

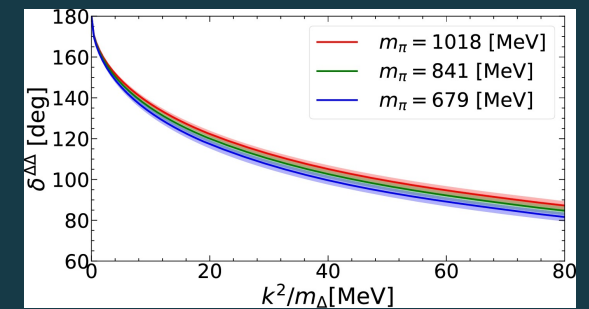
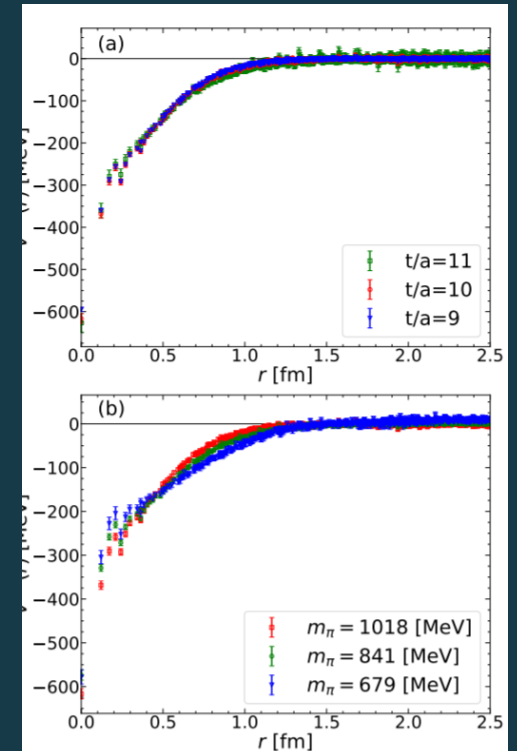
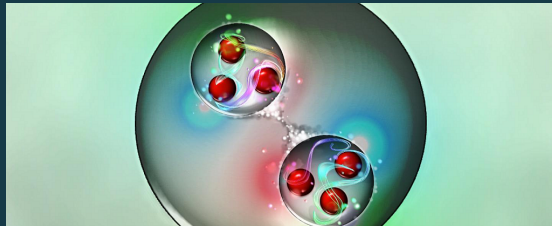
F. Huang et al, Chin.Phys. C39 (2015) 7, 071001

$d^*(2380)$ in Lattice QCD – recent progress

- Lattice QCD (HAL QCD [PLB811 \(2020\) 135935](#))
- Δ stable (heavy quark masses) i.e. no CC but capture formation mechanism
- Quasi-bound state corresponding to $d^*(2380)$ formed

Binding energy below $\Delta\Delta$ threshold
Size $\sim 0.8-1$ fm

- Previous HAL : spin-0 channel supports shallow di-Omega dibaryon state



$d^*(2380)$ in ChEFT

- Calculation of scattering of octet/decuplet baryons within SU(3) chiral EFT
- Interaction potential - single pseudoscalar-meson (π , η , K) exchange plus four-baryon contact terms (short range – from LQCD)
- Bound d^* state plausible – but significant extrapolations (masses) and approximations

Regular Article - Theoretical Physics | [Open Access](#) | Published: 12 November 2017

Scattering of decuplet baryons in chiral effective field theory

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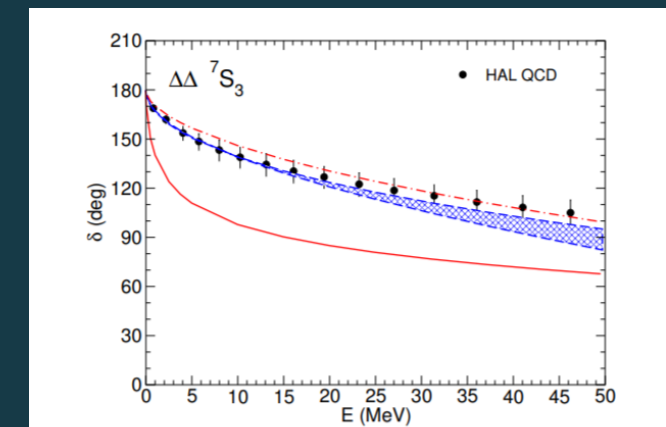
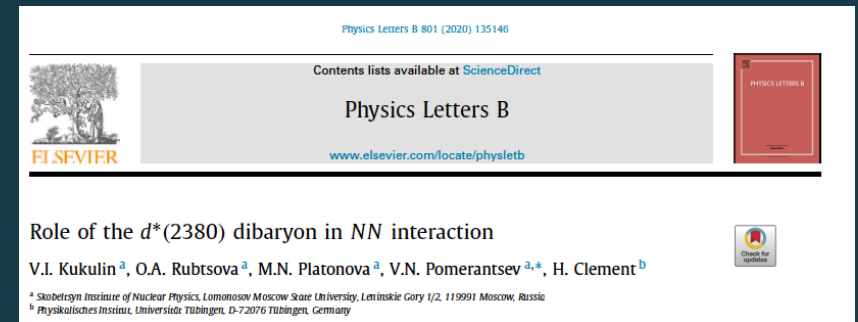


Fig. 5: Prediction for the $\Delta\Delta$ 7S_3 phase shift with isospin $I = 0$. The result of the HAL QCD collaboration is taken from ref. [21]. Results of a fit to the lattice simulation is shown by a hatched band, corresponding to cutoff variations between 500 and 700 MeV. The corresponding results for physical masses are shown by solid (700 MeV) and dash-dotted (500 MeV) lines.

$d^*(2380)$ - other recent theory developments

- NN scattering phase-shifts & helicities (3D_3 — 3G_3)
-> dressed $0(3+)$ dibaryon + peripheral $1-\pi$ exchange
- Fitted resonance parameters compatible with mass and width of the $d^*(2380)$
- Indicates inapplicability of diquark models in light quark sector



$d^*(2380)$ - other recent theory developments

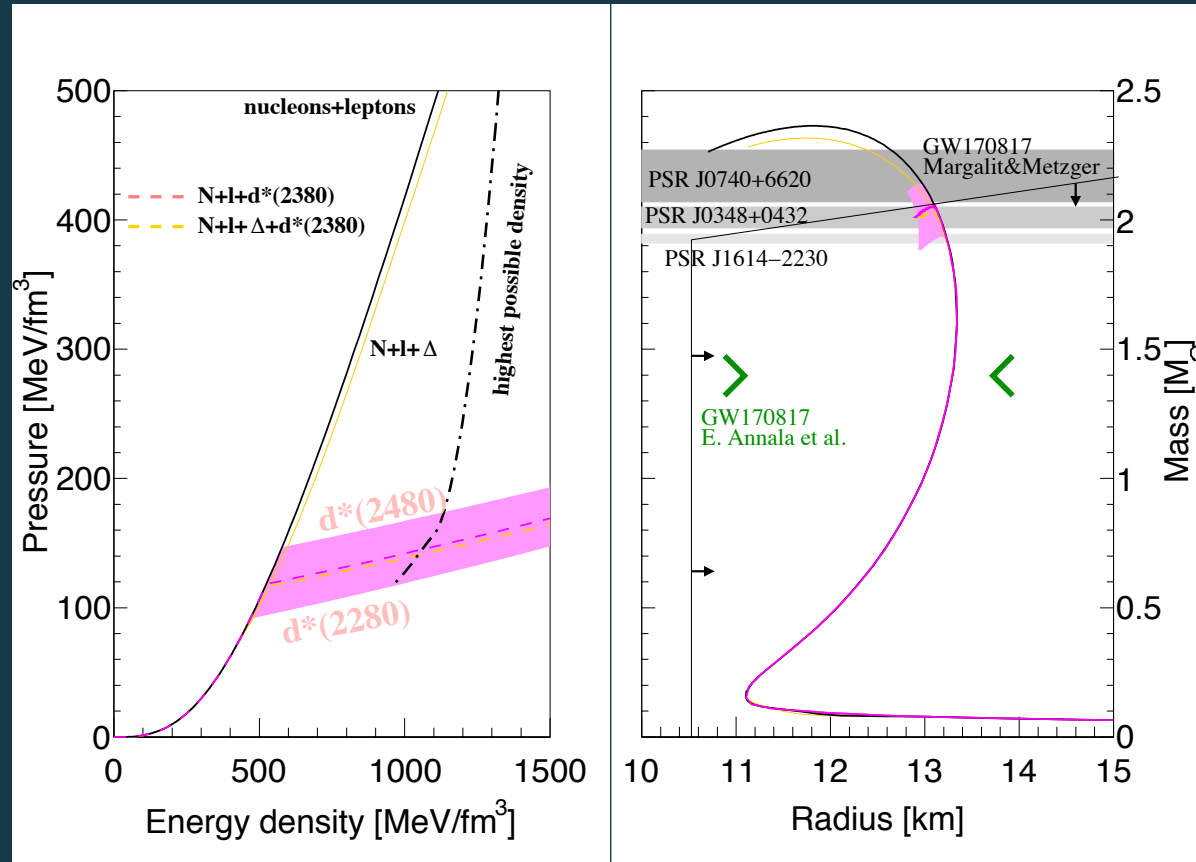
- “Hexaquark picture for $d^*(2380)$ ” : [Hungchong Kim](#) , [Oka](#), PRD 102 (2020) no.7, 074023
hexaquark picture is promising for $d^*(2380)$ as far as the mass is concerned
- “Nuclear states and spectra in holographic QCD”: [Hashimoto](#), [Matsuo](#), [Morita](#) JHEP 1912 (2019) 001
lowest energy states are $(J; I) = (1; 0)$ and $(3; 0)$.
2nd order correction (parameters fixed to D and d^* -> predict H and di-omega)
- “QCD sum rule Study of the $d^*(2380)$ ”: [Chen](#), [Cui](#) , [Chen](#), [Steele](#) , [Zhu](#) PRC91 (2015) no.2, 025204
Construct $I(JP)=0(3+)$ six-quark local interpolating currents without derivative operators
Mass extracted from this analysis is $M_{d^*}=2.4\pm 0.2$ GeV
- “Scattering of nucleons in the classical Skyrme model” : Foster & Manton, NP B899 (2015) 513
Identify dineutron/diproton and dibaryon short-lived resonance states

$d^*(2380)$ in high energy physics (heavy quark sector)

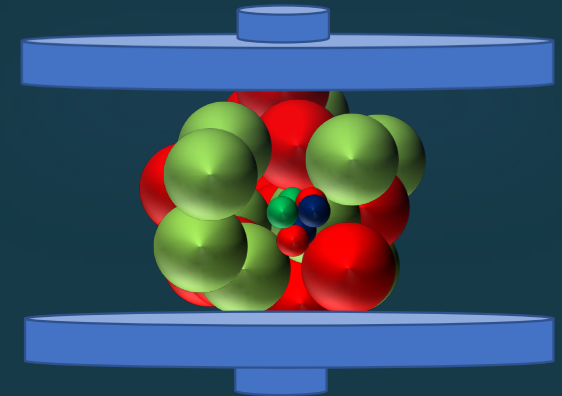
- The opportunity to find $d^*(2380)$ in the $Y(nS)$ decay Phys.Rev. D99 (2019) no.3, 036015
- Selected strong decays of pentaquark State $P_c(4312)P_c(4312)$ in a chiral constituent quark model , Eur.Phys.J. C80 (2020) no.4, 341
- Triply-charmed dibaryon states or two-baryon scattering states from QCD sum rules Phys.Rev. D102 (2020) no.3, 034008

d*(2380): potential impact on astrophysics

The $d^*(2380)$ in neutron stars



- d^* \rightarrow forms copiously above $2.5\rho_0$
 $\rightarrow \sim 20\%$ d^* at centre of heavy stars



- Star mass limit - around $2.1M_\odot$

d^* in neutron stars- coupling variation

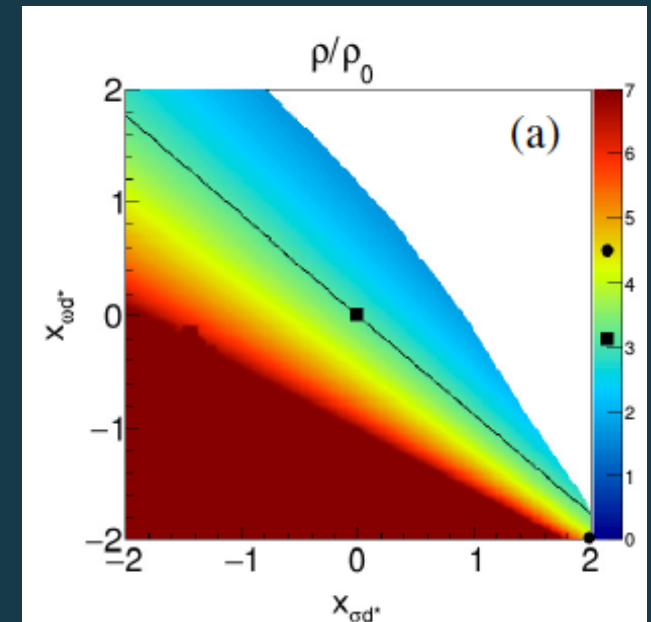
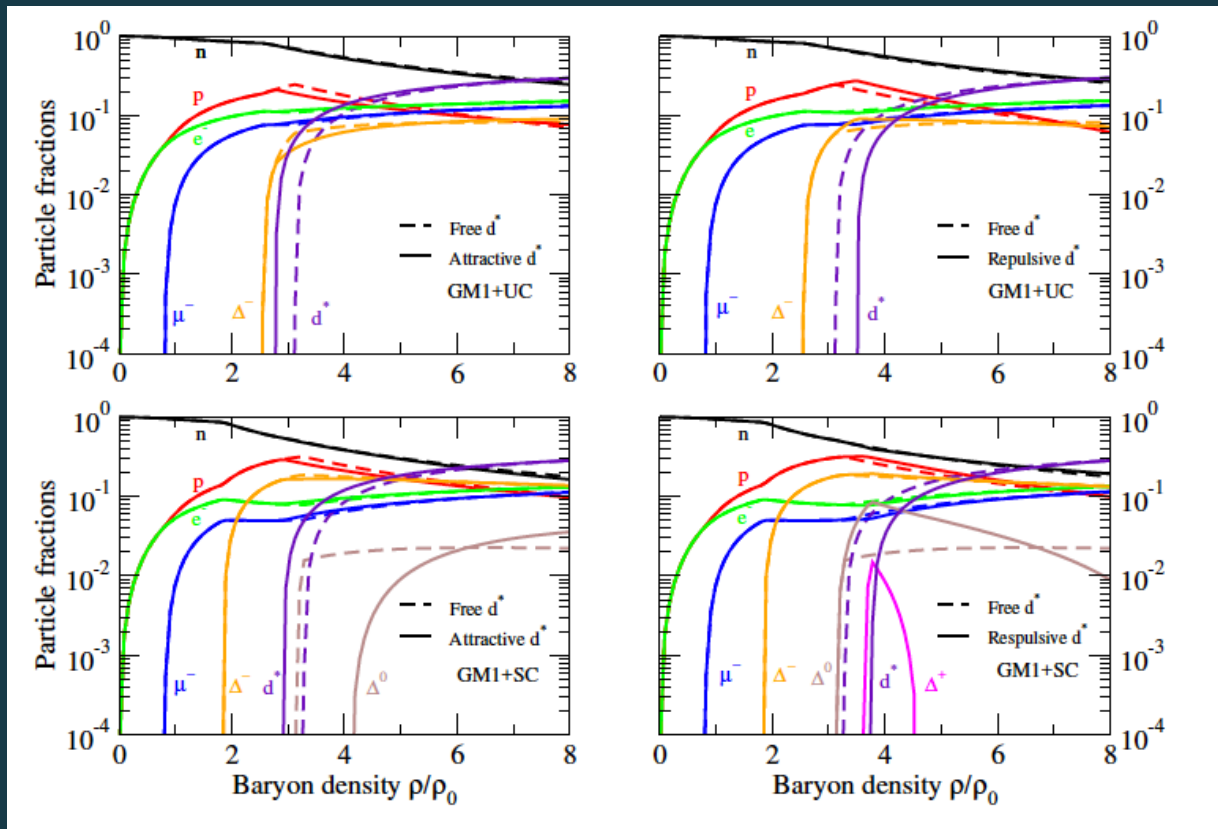
- Standard non-linear Walecka model
- Including additional terms: d^* (2380) other particles through σ - and ω -meson fields

A&A 638, A40 (2020)

Neutron star matter equation of state including d^* -hexaquark degrees of freedom

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MAMI data under analysis for d^* photoproduction in medium (nuclear targets + nuclear decay tagging)

(Speculative!) Bose-Einstein condensate possibilities

- Assume d^* : hexaquark, compact, **bosonic**, **isoscalar** form of light quark matter
- Assembly of d^* hexaquarks \rightarrow Bose-Einstein condensate ?
- Analogous to the Hoyle state of ^{12}C (7.65 MeV)
(70% BEC + 30% non-BEC \rightarrow ^4He large isoscalar boson)
- Simple “condensate” drop model + Boltzmann for QGP
- Binding energy potentially high (TeV scale)
 - \rightarrow Constraint from FERMI-LAT data [Beck: arxiv. 2003.09283 \(2019\)](#)
 - \rightarrow Estimates of DCB breaking [Chan 2020 *ApJ* 898 132](#)
- More detailed calculations needed..

Alpha-Particle Condensate Structure of the Hoyle State: where do we stand?

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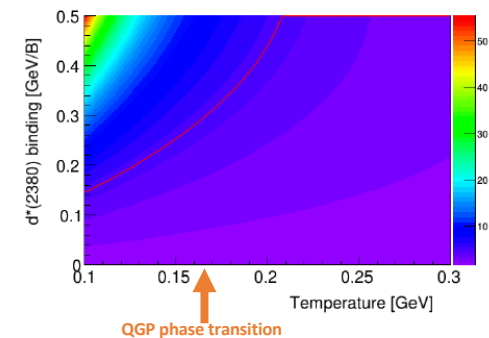


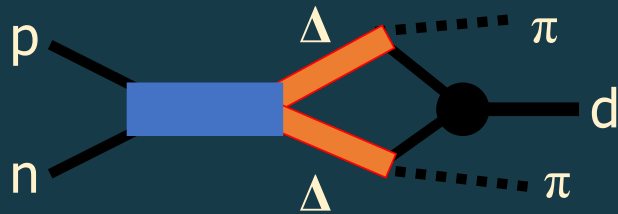
Figure 2. The primordial production of $d^*(2380)$ -BEC (expressed as a ratio to baryon matter) calculated as a function of binding energy and decoupling temperature. The red line shows the loci corresponding to the current experimental determination of the dark matter to matter ratio[33].

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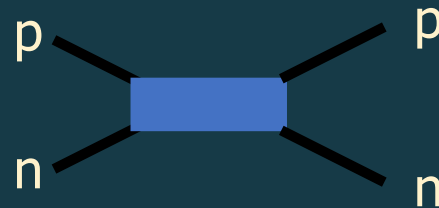
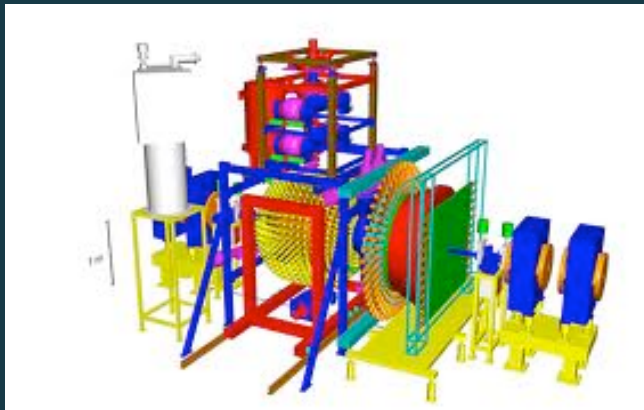
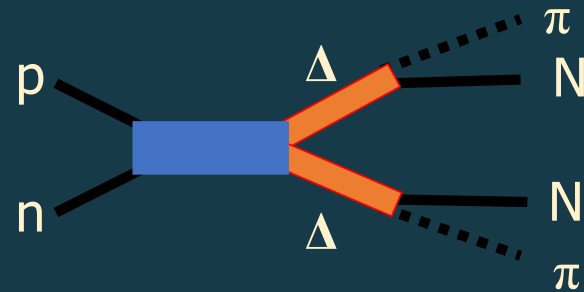
$d^*(2380)$ in pn scattering – experimental evidence

Nucleon scattering with large acceptance

- $pn \rightarrow d^* \rightarrow \Delta\Delta \rightarrow d\pi\pi$



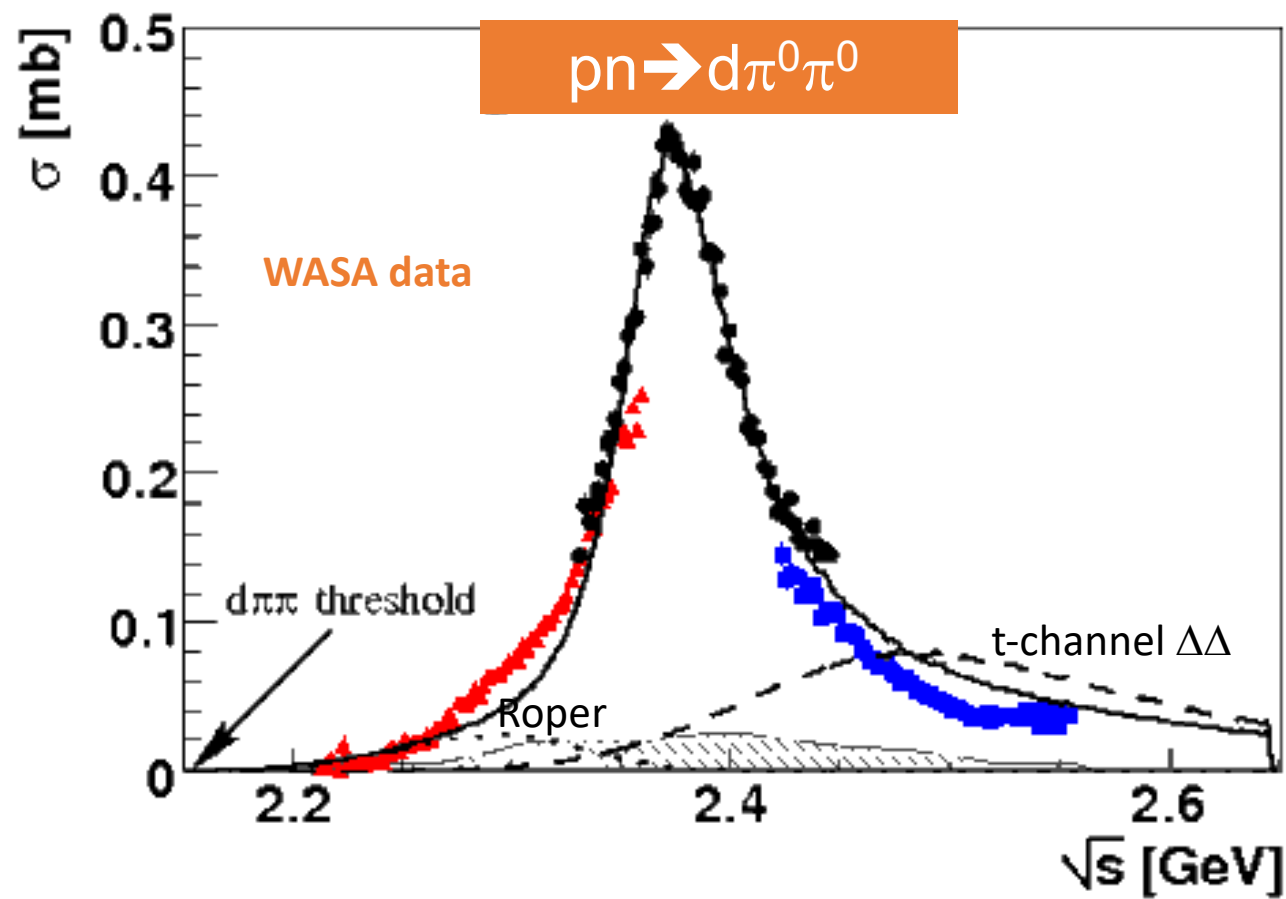
- $pn \rightarrow d^* \rightarrow \Delta\Delta \rightarrow NN\pi\pi$

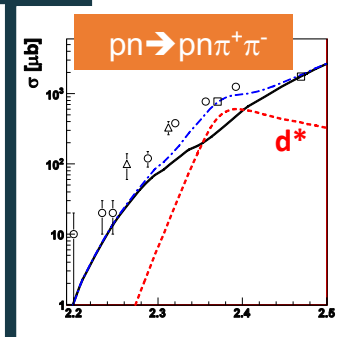
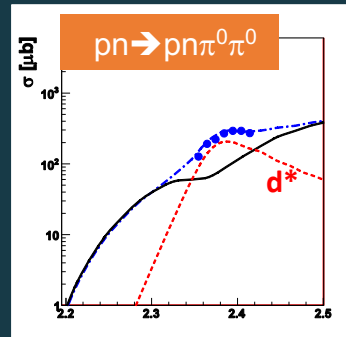
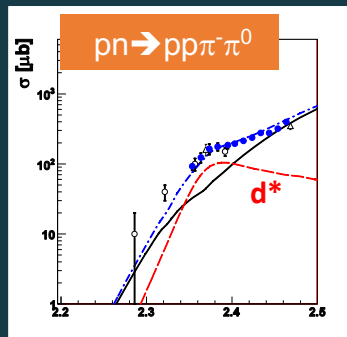
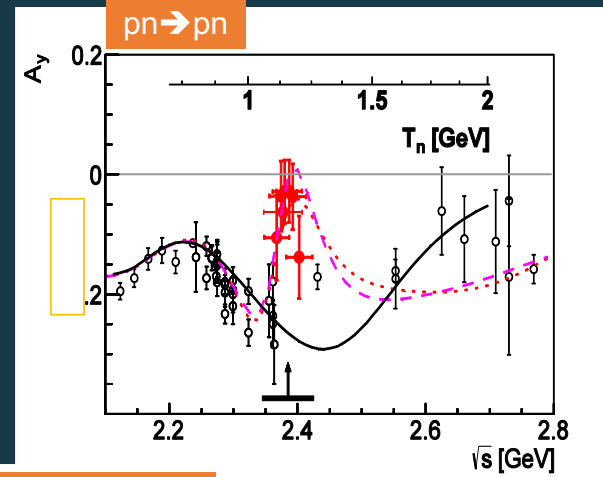
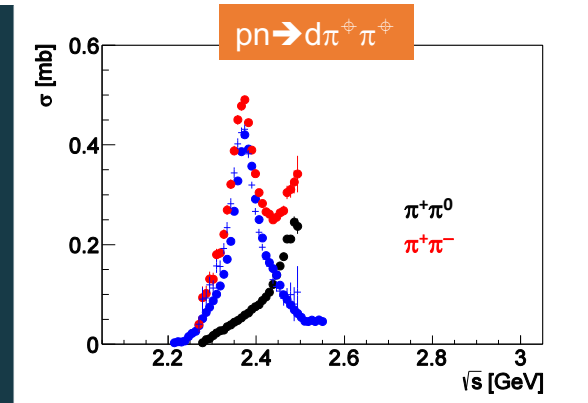
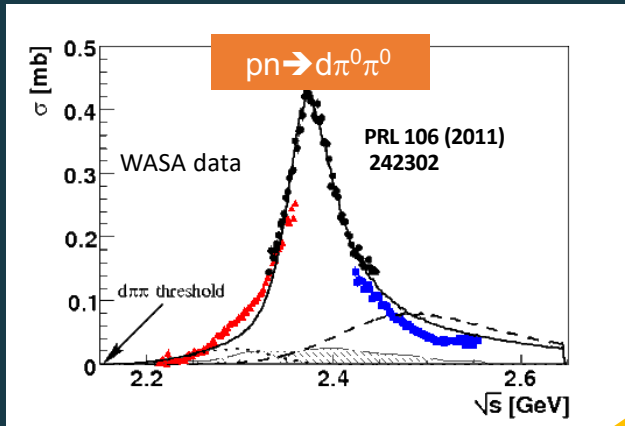


$d^*(2380)$ signals

PRL 106 (2011) 242302

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$\Delta\Delta$ decay $\sim 90\%$
 pn decay $\sim 10\%$

PLB 721 (2013) 229

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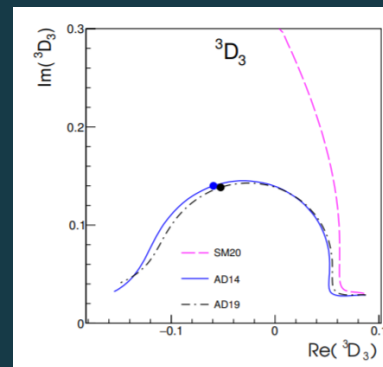
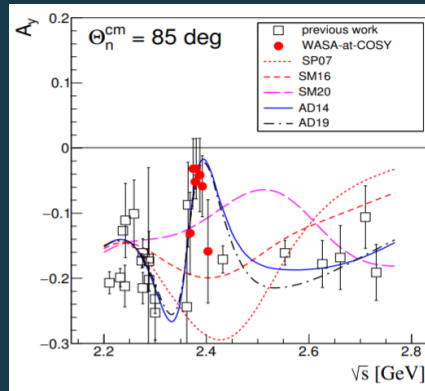
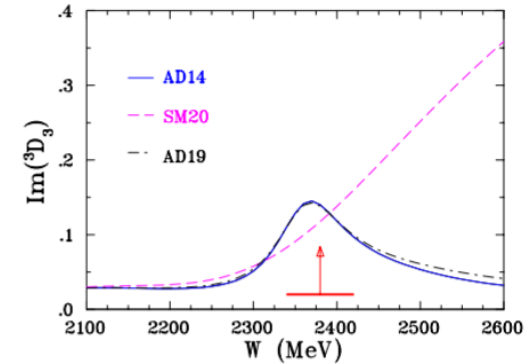
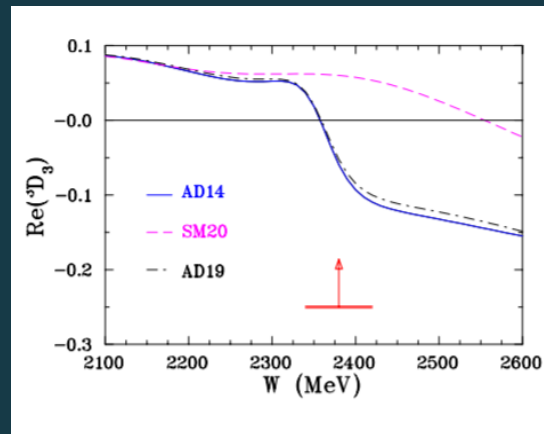
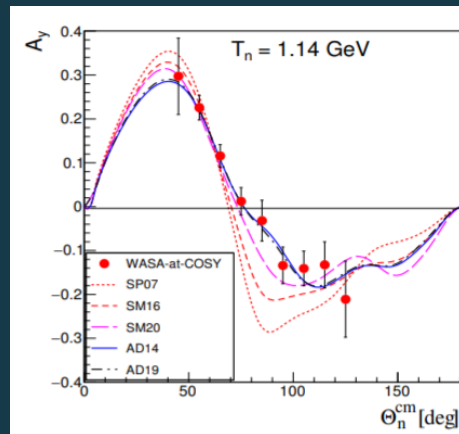
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WASA at COSY – polarized pn scattering

Update of NN phase shifts

WASA-at-COSY PRC102 (2020) no.1, 015204)



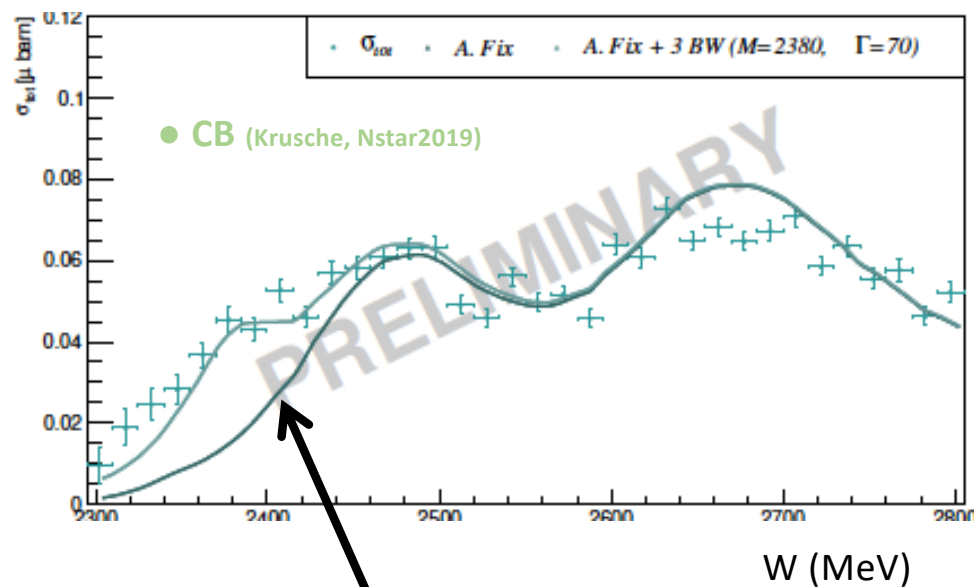
(SM20 solution does not allow d^*
== cannot describe the data)



**d*(2380) in photoexcitation from deuteron
experimental evidence**

Photoproduction of $d\pi\pi$ final state

$$\gamma d \rightarrow d\pi^0\pi^0$$

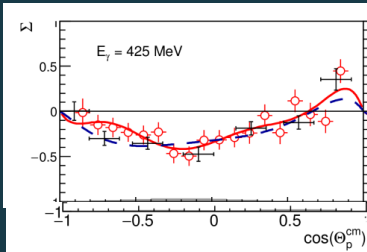
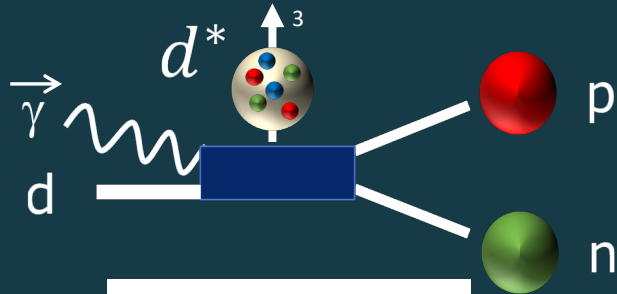


- Photoproduction kinematics challenging \rightarrow deuteron only detected at forward angles
- Active deuteron target appears necessary

Conventional Background

M. Egorov, A. Fix, Nucl.Phys. A933 (2015) 104-113

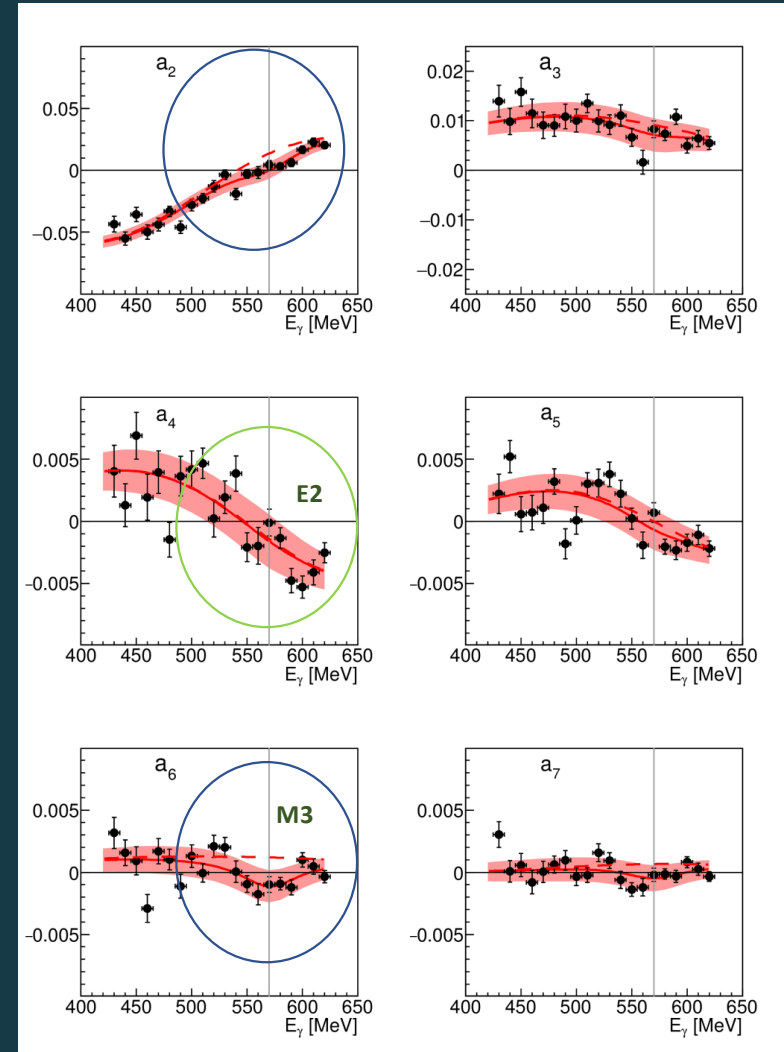
Deuterium photodisintegration (Σ)



$$\Sigma \sim \sum_{l=2} a_l P_l^2(\cos\Theta)$$

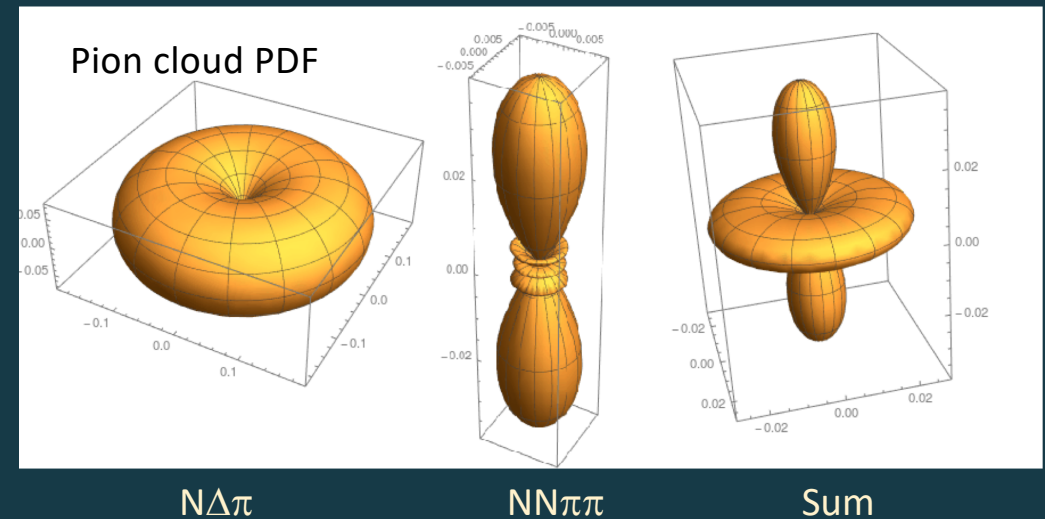
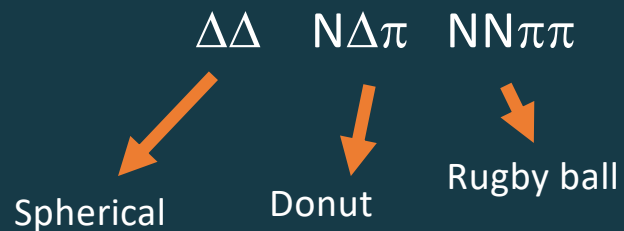
E2 transition \Rightarrow small
M3 transition \Rightarrow dominant

Consistent with $d^*(2380)$
as a compact object



d^* in pion cloud model

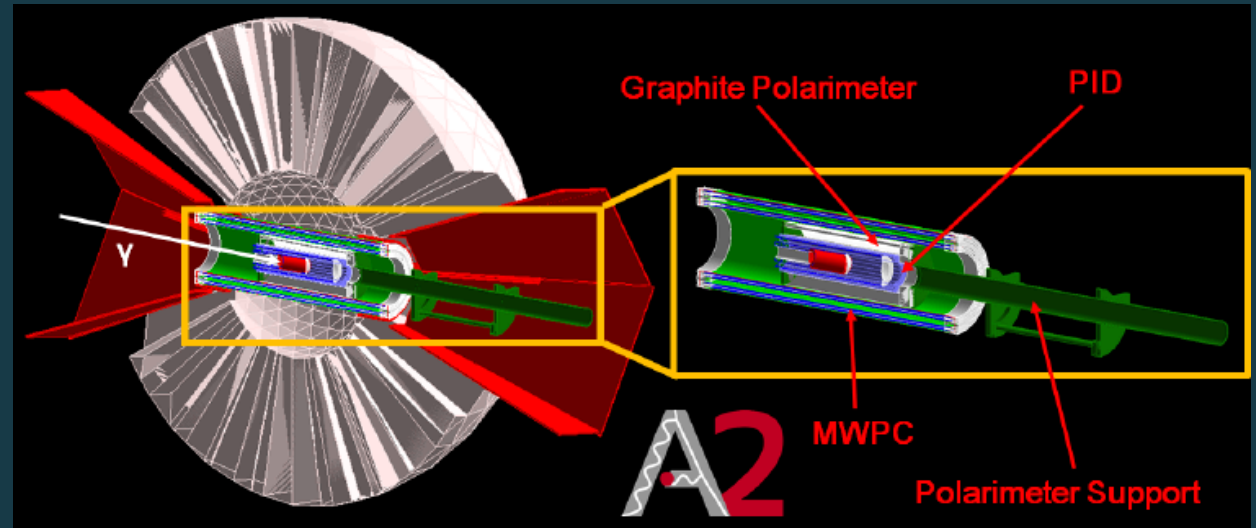
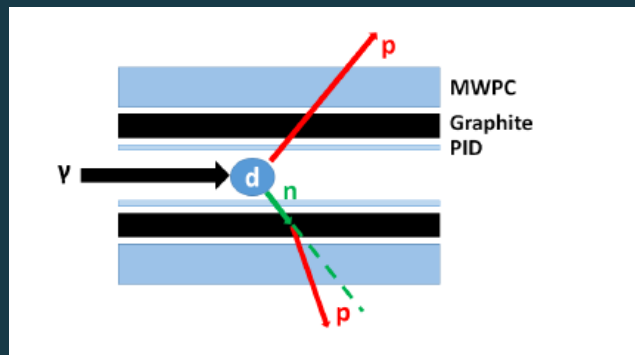
- EM properties determined in simple overlapping Δ pion cloud model:



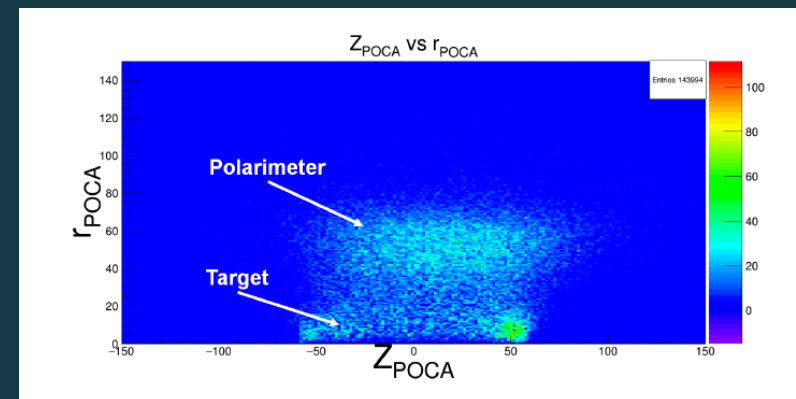
- EQM \rightarrow $\Delta\Delta$ no contribution
 $N\Delta\pi$, $NN\pi\pi$ \sim equal contribution but opposite sign \rightarrow cancellation
- MOM \rightarrow $\Delta\Delta$ no contribution
 $N\Delta\pi$, $NN\pi\pi$ \sim equal contribution but **same** sign

Nucleon recoil polarization in deuterium photodisintegration

- Analysing material (graphite) placed between PID and MWPC

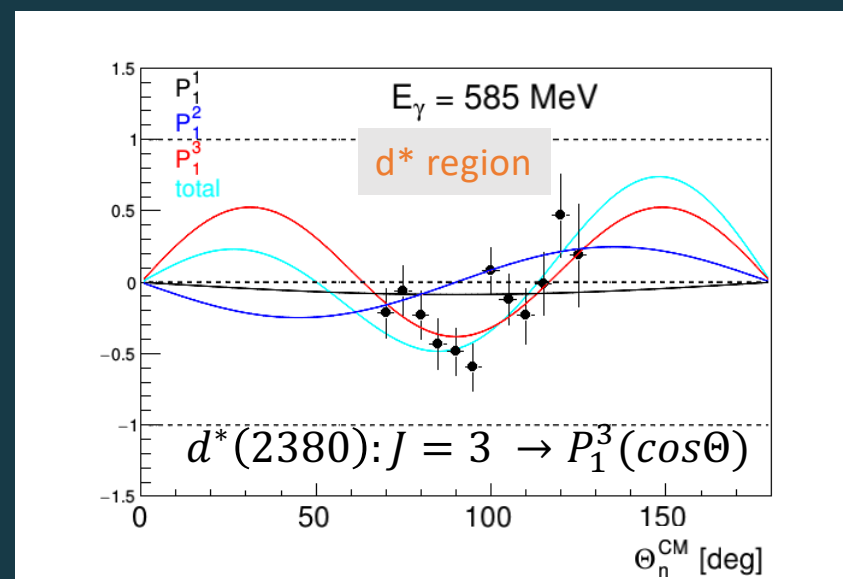
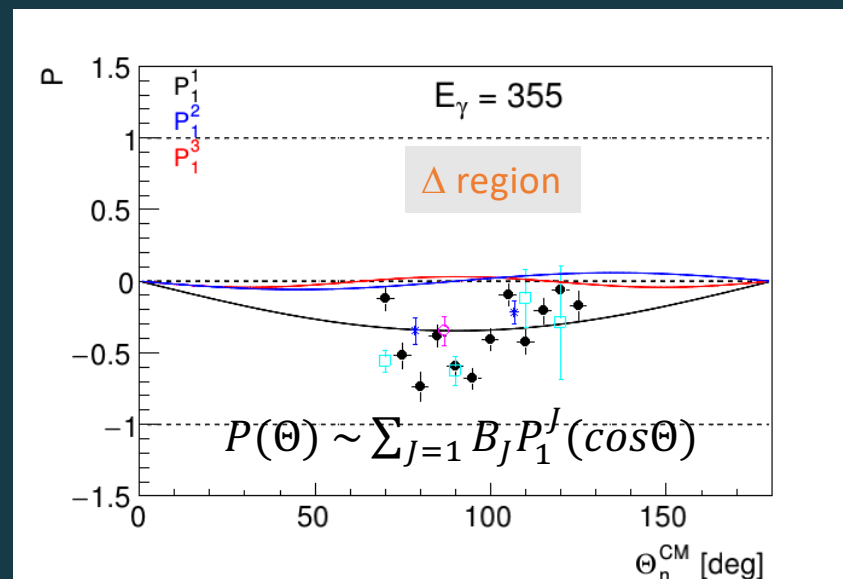
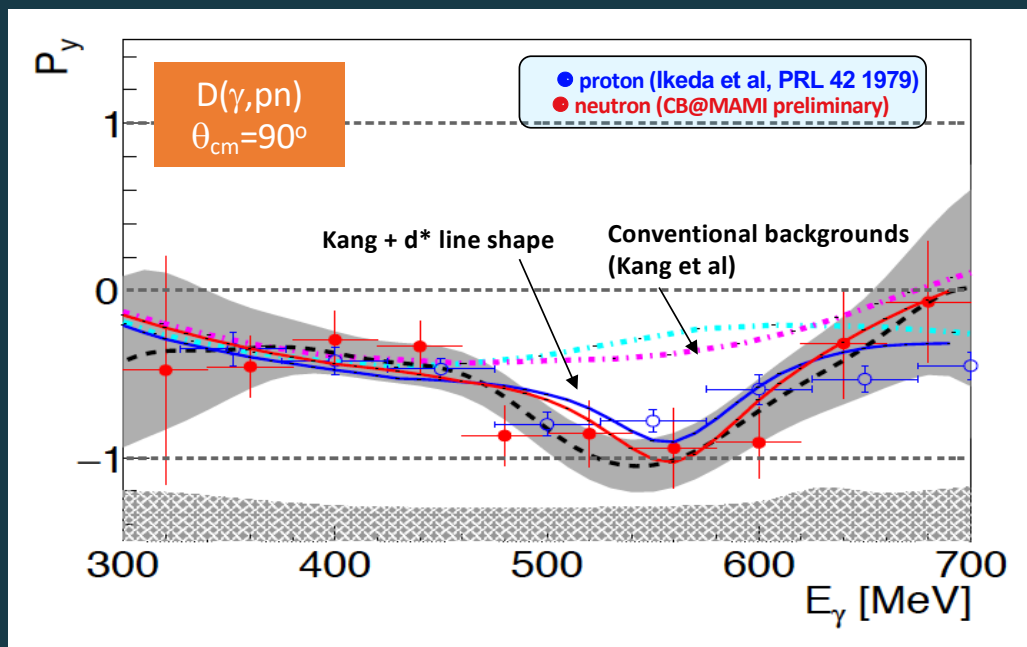


- Polarisation extracted from phi modulation of scatter yield (for a determined azimuthal (theta) range)
- Proton and neutron polarization measurements possible



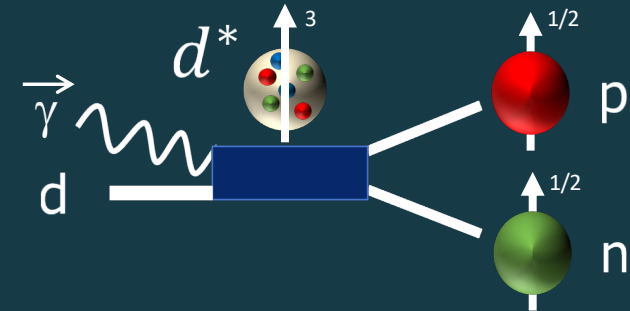
Deuterium photodisintegration (P_y)

- 1st measurement of **final state neutron polarisation**
 -> **Both** p and n highly polarised in region of d^* !
- θ_{CM} dependence – consistent with spin 3

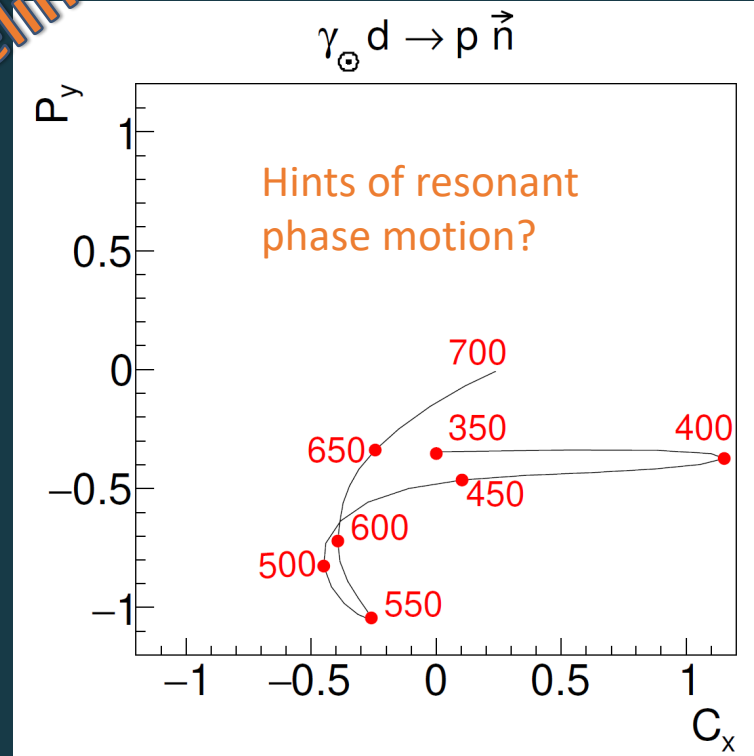
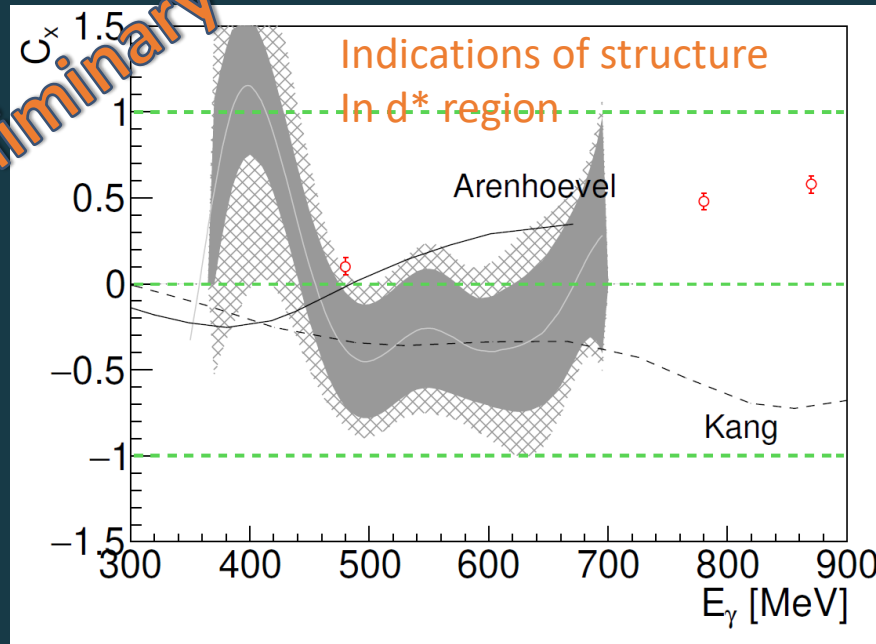


Deuterium photodisintegration (C_x^*)

Observable	Structure function	Helicity amplitude combination
P_y	$R_T(y)$	$2\text{Im} \sum_{i=1}^3 [F_{i+}^* F_{(i+3)-} + F_{i-} F_{(i+3)+}^*]$
T	$R_T(\text{Im}T_{11})$	$2\text{Im} \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{j=0}^1 [F_{(i+3j)+} + F_{(i+3j+1)+}^* + F_{(i+3j)-} - F_{(i+3j+1)-}^*]$
Σ	R_{TT}	$2\text{Re} \sum_{i=1}^3 (-)^i [-F_{i+} F_{(4-i)-}^* + F_{(3+i)+} + F_{(7-i)-}^*]$
T_1	$R_{TT}(y)$	$2\text{Im} \sum_{i=1}^3 (-)^i [-F_{i+} F_{(7-i)+}^* + F_{i-} F_{(7-i)-}^*]$
$C_{x'}$	$R_T(x')$	$2\text{Re} \sum_{i=1}^3 [F_{i+}^* F_{(i+3)-} + F_{i-} F_{(i+3)+}^*]$
$C_{z'}$	$R_T(z')$	$\sum_{i=1}^2 \{ F_{i+} ^2 - F_{i-} ^2 \}$
$O_{x'}$	$R_{TT}(x')$	$2\text{Im} \sum_{i=1}^3 (-)^{i+1} [F_{i+} F_{(7-i)+}^* + F_{i-} F_{(7-i)-}^*]$
$O_{z'}$	$R_{TT}(z')$	$2\text{Im} \sum_{i=1}^3 (-)^{i+1} [F_{i+} F_{(4-i)-}^* + F_{(3+i)+} + F_{(7-i)-}^*]$



Preliminary



$d^*(2380)$ – future experiments

Observables: $D(\gamma, pn)$ with polarised target

- Longitudinal target polarisation

$$T_{10}^c(-E) \frac{d\sigma_0}{d\Omega_p} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{sm_s} (|t_{sm_s 11}|^2 - |t_{sm_s 1-1}|^2)$$

Circular γ -polarisation

$$T_{10}^l(G) \frac{d\sigma_0}{d\Omega_p} = \Im m \sum_{sm_s} (t_{sm_s 11}^* t_{sm_s -11})$$

Linear γ -polarisation

- Transverse target polarisation

$$T_{11}^0(-T) \frac{d\sigma_0}{d\Omega_p} = \Im m \sum_{sm_s} (t_{sm_s 1-1}^* t_{sm_s 10} + t_{sm_s 10}^* t_{sm_s 11})$$

Unpolarised

$$T_{11}^c(-F) \frac{d\sigma_0}{d\Omega_p} = -\Re e \sum_{cm} (t_{sm_s 1-1}^* t_{sm_s 10} + t_{sm_s 10}^* t_{sm_s 11})$$

Circular γ -polarisation

$$T_{11}^l \frac{d\sigma_0}{d\Omega_p} = \Im m \sum_{sm_s} (t_{sm_s 1-1}^* t_{sm_s -10})$$

Linear γ -polarisation

$$T_{1-1}^l \frac{d\sigma_0}{d\Omega_p} = -\Im m \sum_{sm_s} (t_{sm_s 11}^* t_{sm_s -10})$$

Linear γ -polarisation

D(γ ,pn): transverse target observables

Photodisintegration of polarized deuterons –
measurement of angular distributions at $E_\gamma = 450, 550$ and 650 MeV

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$$T = \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{\sigma_+ - \sigma_-}{\sigma_+ + \sigma_0 + \sigma_-}$$

Significant improvement
in data quality possible
at MAMI
1% s.a. in 10 MeV bins

$$Z = (-2) \cdot \frac{\sigma_+ + \sigma_- - 2\sigma_0}{\sigma_+ + \sigma_0 + \sigma_-}$$

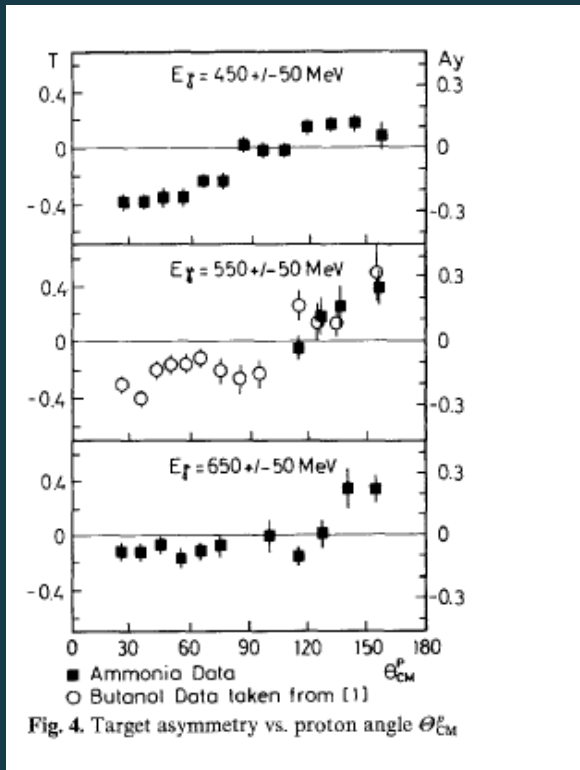


Fig. 4. Target asymmetry vs. proton angle θ_{CM}^p

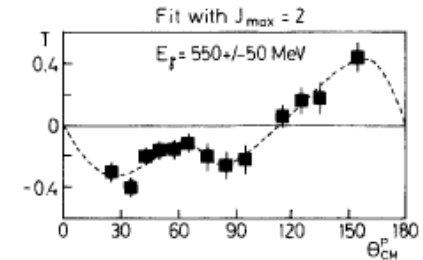


Fig. 6. Angular distribution at 550 MeV fitted with angular momentum $J_{max} = 2$

Taken as contribution of higher multipoles

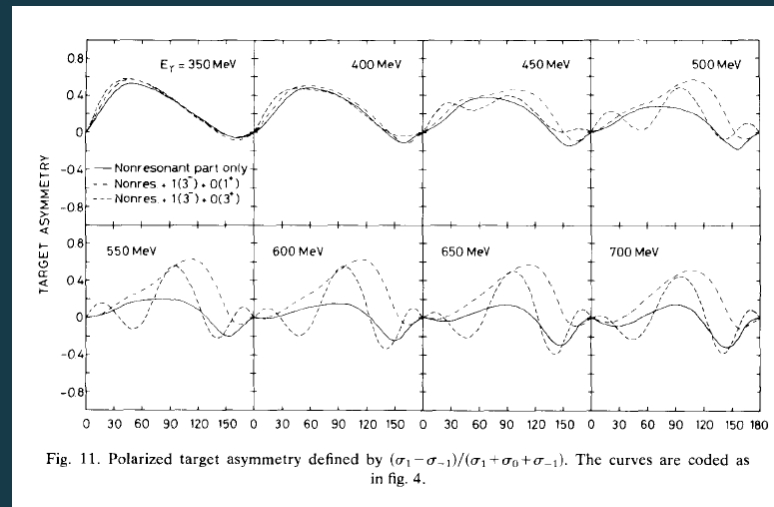


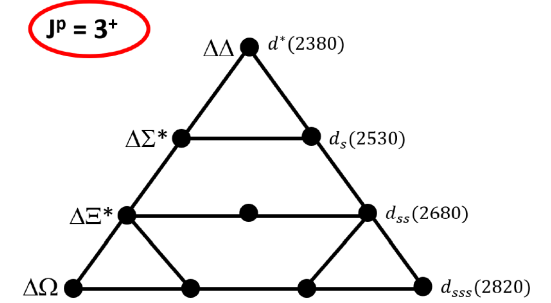
Fig. 11. Polarized target asymmetry defined by $(\sigma_1 - \sigma_{-1}) / (\sigma_1 + \sigma_0 + \sigma_{-1})$. The curves are coded as in fig. 4.



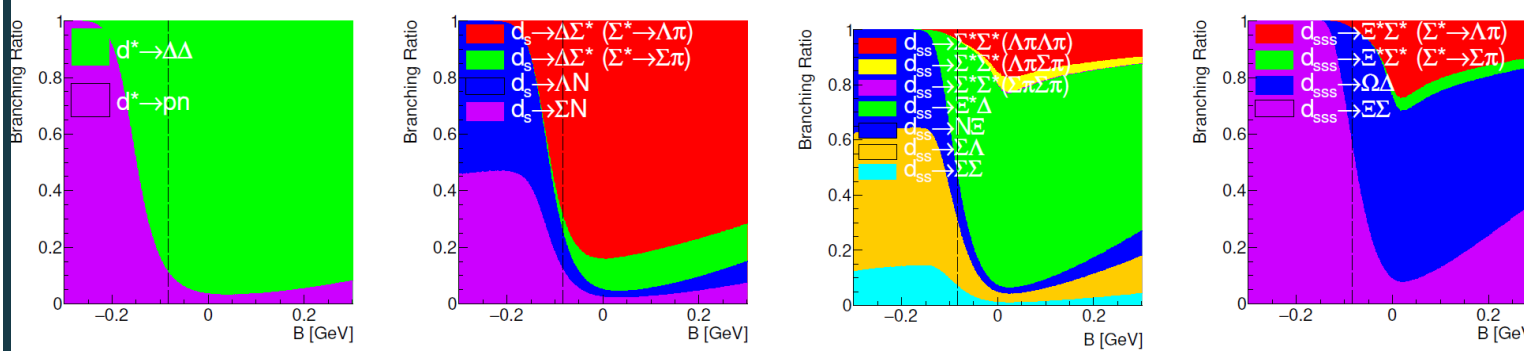
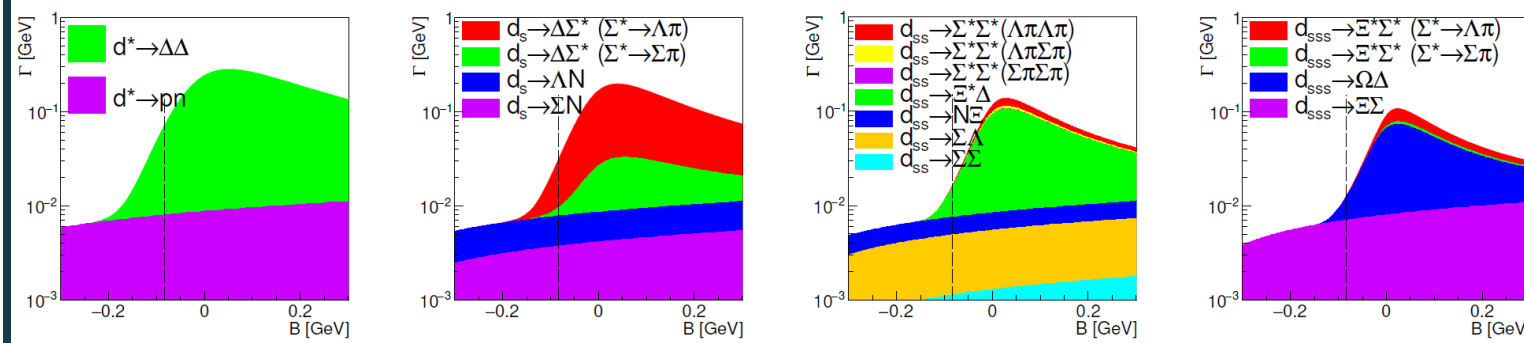
d^* antidecuplet - decay widths and branches

TABLE II. d^* multiplet width results for the $B = -84$ MeV.

d^*			d_s			d_{ss}			d_{sss}		
decay	Γ , [MeV]	BR [%]	decay	Γ , [MeV]	BR [%]	decay	Γ , [MeV]	BR [%]	decay	Γ , [MeV]	BR [%]
$\Delta\Delta$	63	89	$\Delta\Sigma^*(\Sigma^* \rightarrow \Lambda\pi)$	21	69	$\Sigma^*\Sigma^*(\Lambda\Lambda\pi\pi)$	0.6	3.8	$\Xi^*\Sigma^*(\Sigma^* \rightarrow \Lambda\pi)$	0.34	3
pn	8	11	$\Delta\Sigma^*(\Sigma^* \rightarrow \Sigma\pi)$	1.7	6	$\Sigma^*\Sigma^*(\Lambda\Sigma\pi\pi)$	0.05	0.3	$\Xi^*\Sigma^*(\Sigma^* \rightarrow \Sigma\pi)$	0.0007	0.05
			$N\Lambda$	4.1	13	$\Sigma^*\Sigma^*(\Sigma\Sigma\pi\pi)$	4.06e-6	0	$\Omega\Delta$	5.2	41
			$N\Sigma$	3.7	12	$\Delta\Sigma^*$	7.8	48.9	$\Xi\Sigma$	7.1	56
						$N\Sigma$	2.6	16.4			
						$\Sigma\Sigma$	1.1	7.1			
						$\Sigma\Lambda$	3.8	23.5			
total	71		total	30.5		total	15.95		total	12.6	



Particle	$8 \oplus 8$	$10 \oplus 10$
d^*	pn	$\Delta\Delta$
d_s	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(N\Lambda - N\Sigma)$	$\Delta\Sigma^*$
d_{ss}	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}(\sqrt{2}N\Sigma - \Sigma\Sigma + \sqrt{3}\Sigma\Lambda)$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(\sqrt{2}\Delta\Sigma^* + \Sigma^*\Sigma^*)$
d_{sss}	$\Sigma\Sigma$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\Delta\Omega - \Sigma^*\Xi^*)$



B – Binding energy relative to decuplet-decuplet pole. Dashed line nominal mass (common binding for all members)

- Decuplet existence and properties
-> new info on d^* structure
- 10^* -> $8 \oplus 8$ or $10 \oplus 10$
- CLAS12 analysis underway

Model assumptions:
 BW width energy dependent
 CC independent of strangeness
 Decuplet decays - monopole FF $\Lambda=0.16\text{GeV}/c$

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Summary

- d^* theory evolving and developing
- Evidenced in NN scattering; evolving with EM beams
- Potential for impact outside of hadron physics (e.g. astrophysics)
- Welcome to join us !!
- Please get in touch with any suggestions, requests
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