

# Hypernuclear Physics with HKS

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# Strangeness: A New Degree of Freedom

- ❑ Hypernuclear physics will explore
  - New nuclear many body structure induced by strangeness
  - Hyperon-nucleon (YN) interaction toward a unified understanding of baryon-baryon interaction.
- ❑ Hypernuclei created by  $(e, e'K)$  reaction:
  - $^{12}_{\Lambda}B$  and  $^7_{\Lambda}He$  (JLab E89009)
  - $^9_{\Lambda}Li$  (JLab E94107)
- ❑ JLab HKS will measure hypernuclear spectra up to medium-heavy and heavy range, including  $^{12}_{\Lambda}B$ ,  $^{28}_{\Lambda}Al$ ,  $^{51}_{\Lambda}Ti$  and  $^{89}_{\Lambda}Sr$  with  $\sim 350$  KeV energy resolution.

Observed Hypernuclei by  $(\pi, K)$ ,  $(K, \pi)$  or cosmic ray:

H: 3 4	Al: 27
He: 4 5 6 8	Si: 28
Li: 6 7 8 9	S: 32
Be: 7 8 9 10	Ca: 40
B: 9 10 11 12	V: 51
C: 12 13 14	Fe: 56
N: 14 15	Y: 86
O: 16 18	La: 139
Blue numbers indicate hypernuclei also used in $\gamma$ transition measurement	Pb: 208
	Bi: 209

Double L hypernuclei:  $^{10}_{\Lambda\Lambda}Be$  and  $^6_{\Lambda\Lambda}He$

# Phenomenological $\Lambda N$ Effective Potential

- Observation of a well defined series of  $\Lambda$  single particle states allows extraction of  $\Lambda N$  potential well depth, shape and effective mass, simplest form:

$$V(r) = -29.34 \text{ MeV} f(r)$$

$$f(r) = (1 + e^{(r-c)/a})^{-1}, a = 0.6 \text{ fm}$$

$$c = r_0(A)A^{1/3}, r_0(A) = (1.080 + 0.395A^{-2/3})$$

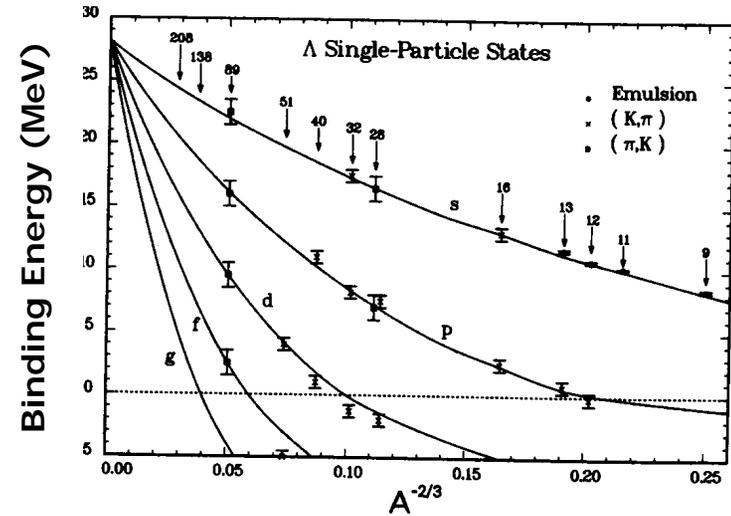
$f(r)$ : nuclear charge density,  $c$ : half density radii

- Spin dependent part of  $\Lambda N$

For  $p^N$ - $s^\Lambda$  configuration:

$$V_{\Lambda N}(r) = V_0(r) + V_\sigma(r) \vec{s}_N \cdot \vec{s}_\Lambda + V_\Delta(r) \vec{l}_{N\Lambda} \cdot \vec{s}_\Lambda + V_N(r) \vec{l}_{N\Lambda} \cdot \vec{s}_N + V_T(r) S_{12}$$

- The radial integrals of the coefficients are denoted as  $V$ ,  $\Delta$ ,  $S_\Lambda$ ,  $S_N$  and  $T$ , respectively, and assumed constant across shell.
- Values fitted from recent Hyperball ( $K^-$ ,  $\pi^-$ ,  $\gamma$ ) experiment (in KeV):  
 $\Delta = 335 \sim 440$ ,  $S_\Lambda = -11$ ,  $S_N = -440 \sim -450$ ,  $T = 24 \sim 30$ .

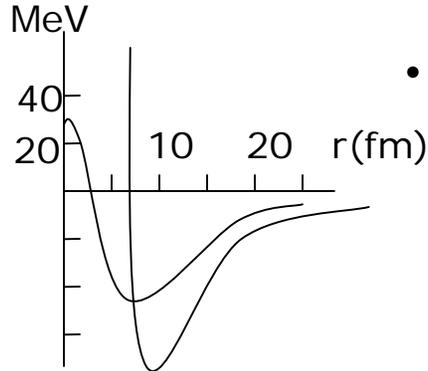
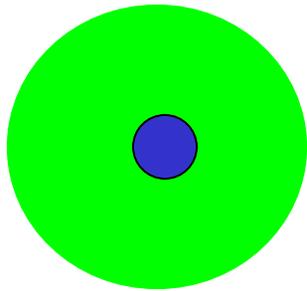


$\Lambda$  binding energy as a function of  $A^{-2/3}$

Energy separation of  $^{12}_\Lambda\text{B}$  low lying states (KeV)

Spacing	$\Delta$	$S_\Lambda$	$S_N$	$T$	$\Delta E$
$1_2^- - 1_1^-$ $\Delta E \sim 2.12 + \Delta E_{\Lambda N}$	168	-45	498	28	2728
$1_3^- - 1_1^-$ $\Delta E \sim 5.02 + \Delta E_{\Lambda N}$	185	16	608	20	5829
$2_1^- - 1_1^-$ $\Delta E \sim \Delta E_{\Lambda N}$	242	-15	-16	-46	165

# Y-N Interaction in QHD Picture



YN NSC Potential Form  
Parametrized by YNG

- Baryon baryon interaction model: Nijmegen Soft Core (NSC) and Extended Soft Core (ESC)

- Potential generated by exchange of all nonets of mesons: pseudoscalar, vector, scalar and pomeron. Two-meson exchange included in ESC.

- Included channels:

$$\Lambda p \rightarrow \Lambda p, \Sigma^+ n, \Sigma^0 p$$

$$\Lambda n \rightarrow \Lambda n, \Sigma^0 n, \Sigma^- p \dots$$

- Pomeron exchange and form factor on baryon vertices generate a soft core.
- The Lagrangian for pseudoscalar meson nonet:

$$L_I = -g^{oct} \sqrt{2} \{ [\bar{B}BP]_F + (1-\alpha)[\bar{B}BP]_D \} \\ - g^{\sin} \sqrt{1/3} [\bar{B}BP]_S$$

where B is the  $\frac{1}{2}^+$  baryon octet. The coupling constants (g's), meson mixing angle  $\theta_s$  and F/(F+D) ratios  $\alpha$  are constructed by (partially broken) flavor SU(3) symmetry. Free parameters to be fitted from N-N and limited Y-N scattering data.

- Result have to be compared with hypernuclear measurement.

# Effective Y-N Interaction Within Nuclear Medium

- Within nuclear matter, effective YN interaction can be deduced from G-matrix method

Hyperon s.p. potential:

$$U_Y = \sum_{K_N} \langle \mathbf{k}_Y \mathbf{k}_N | G_{YN}(\omega) | \mathbf{k}_Y \mathbf{k}_N \rangle (1 - \kappa_N), \text{ while } \omega = e_Y + e_N$$

In configuration space, the effective potential

$$V_{\Lambda N}(r) = V_c + V_\sigma(\sigma_1 \cdot \sigma_2) + V_T S_{12} + V_{LS} \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2) \cdot L + V_{ALS} \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2) \cdot L$$

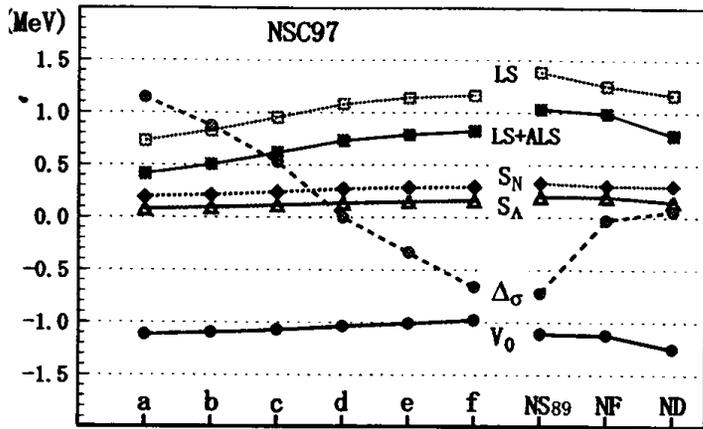
- Parametrization by three range Gaussian function.

$$V_{\Lambda N}(r) = \sum_{i=1}^3 (a_i + b_i k_F + c_i k_F^2) \exp(-r^2 / \beta_i^2), k_F : \text{Fermi momentum}$$

- Hypernuclear energy level can be calculated from Hamiltonian:

$$H = t_\Lambda + \sum_N V_{VN} + \sum e_N$$

# Test by Hypernuclear Data



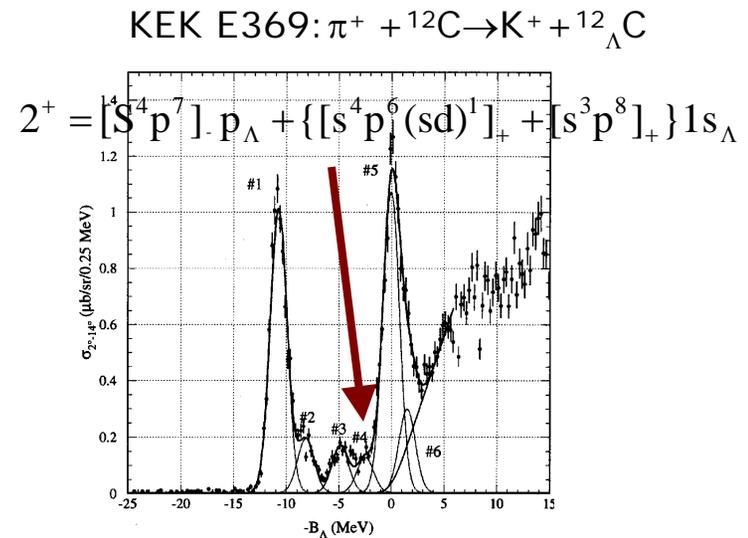
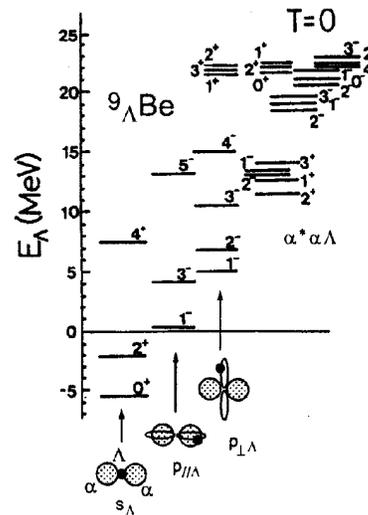
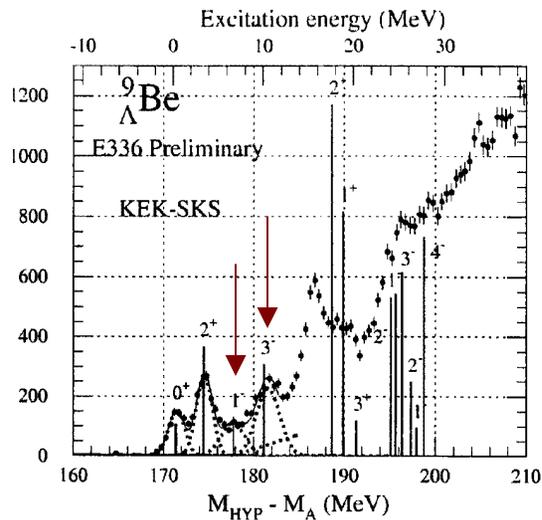
$^{13}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$  spin-orbit splitting  $E(p^{\Lambda}_{1/2}) - E(p^{\Lambda}_{3/2})$

- ❑ NSC Model parameters are sensitive to YN effective potentials, e.g.  $\alpha_V^m$ , is directly related to the L spin-spin and spin-orbit interaction .
- ❑ For spin-spin part, NSC gives right order of spin doublet splitting of  $s\text{-}\Lambda$  in  $^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$  1+ and 0+ states. For The spin orbit part, Stronger ALS suggested for model improvement.

	NSC97a	NSC97b	NSC97e	NSC97f	ESC03	Exp.
$\alpha_V^m$	0.4447	0.4247	0.3747	0.3647	0.44	
$\Lambda$ s.p. potential well depth (MeV)				-31.1	-30	-29
$^9_{\Lambda}\text{Be}$ spin-orbit splittings [ $^8\text{Be}(2^+) \otimes s^{\Lambda}_{1/2}$ ](3/2+, 5/2+) (MeV)				0.16	0.08	0.03
$^{13}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$ $p^{\Lambda}_{1/2}, p^{\Lambda}_{3/2}$ splitting (MeV)				0.78		0.154

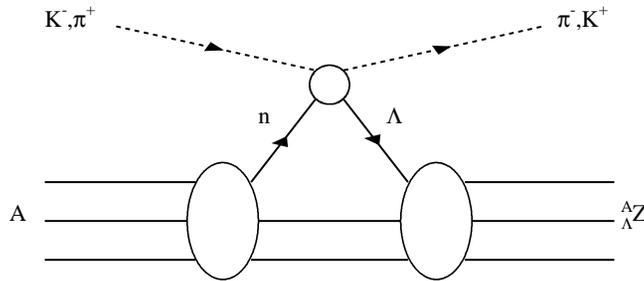
- ❑ For  $^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{B}$  ( $^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$ ) ground state doublet splitting [ $p_{3/2}^{-1} \otimes s^{\Lambda}_{1/2}$ ](1-, 2-), NSC97e,f give correct order of 1- and 2- states (1- below 2-). Measurement of this splitting will further constraint the theory

# New Structures in Hypernuclei

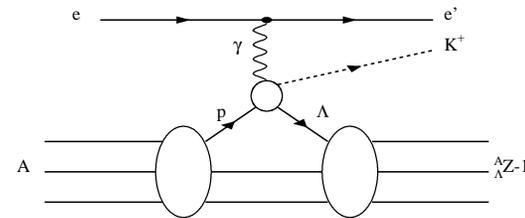


- ❑ The "genuine hypernuclear states" in  ${}^9_{\Lambda}\text{Be}$
- ❑ Parity mixing intershell coupling induced by  $\Lambda$   
Through the coupling with  $\Lambda$ , configuration mixing can be formed from core nuclear states with different parities.

# Electroproduction of Hypernuclei



Hadronic Reaction:  
 $K^- + n \rightarrow \pi^- + \Lambda$  or  $\pi^+ + n \rightarrow K^+ + \Lambda$

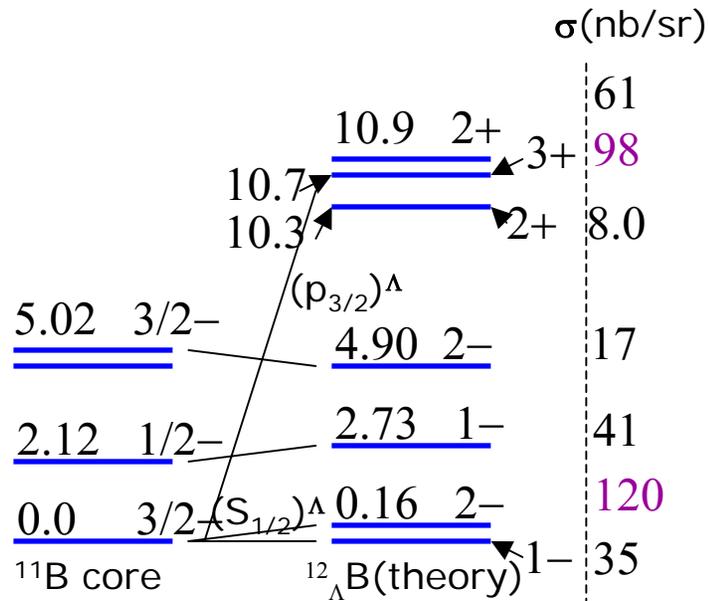


Electromagnetic Reaction:  
 $\gamma^* + p \rightarrow K^+ + \Lambda$

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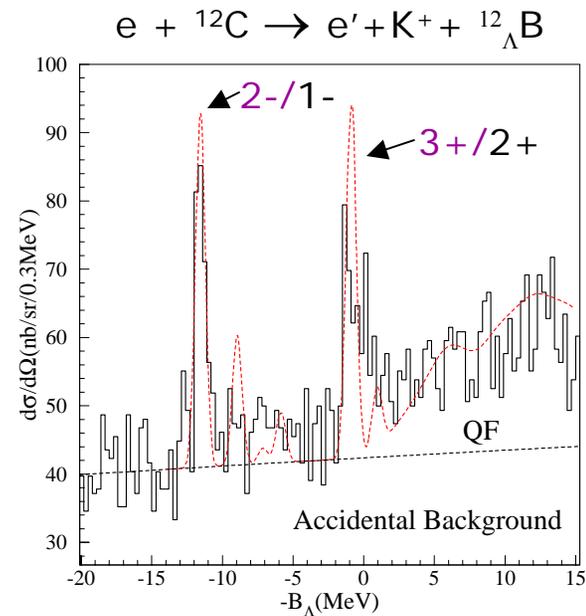
- Convert proton to  $\Lambda$ —neutron rich hypernuclei
- High spin, spin-flip unnatural-parity states
- High resolution spectrum by primary e beam
- First experiment was carried out at Jlab in year 2000.  
Resolution  $< 1$  MeV

# E89009 Spectrum: $^{12}_{\Lambda}B$



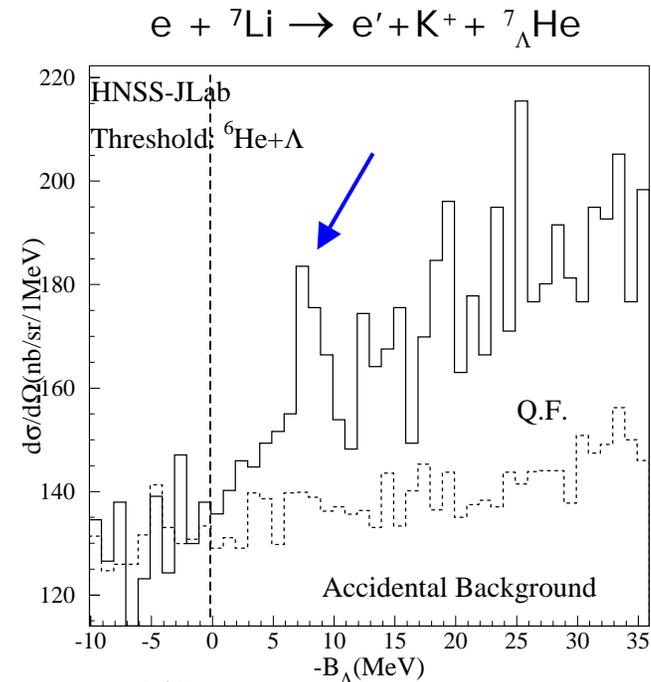
Shell model prediction of  $^{12}_{\Lambda}B$  bound states

- Resolution  $\sim 750$  keV (FWHM)
- s and p shell peaks dominated by unnatural parity states
- Peak positions and strengths consistent with theoretical predictions<sup>†</sup>

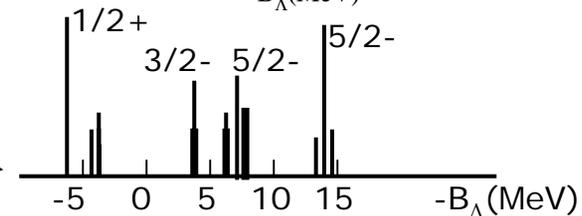


# E89009 Spectrum: ${}^7_{\Lambda}\text{He}$

- ❑  ${}^7_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ : light neutron rich halo hypernucleus  $\alpha+n+n+L$
- ❑ No evidence of bound state: GS cross section  $< 30\text{nb/sr}$  ( $2\sigma$ )
- ❑ Need better understanding of few- body system with strangeness

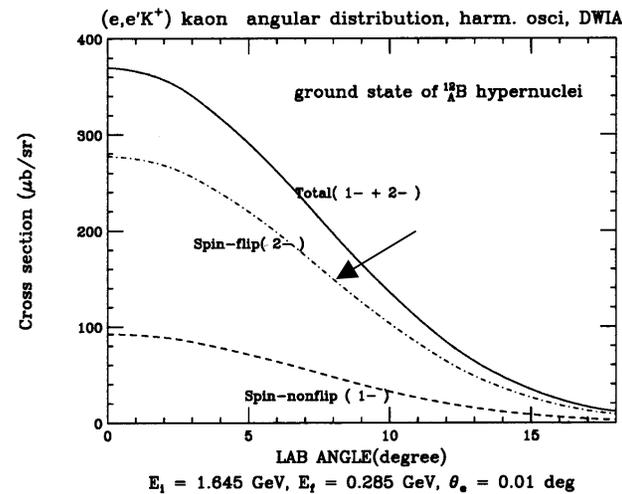
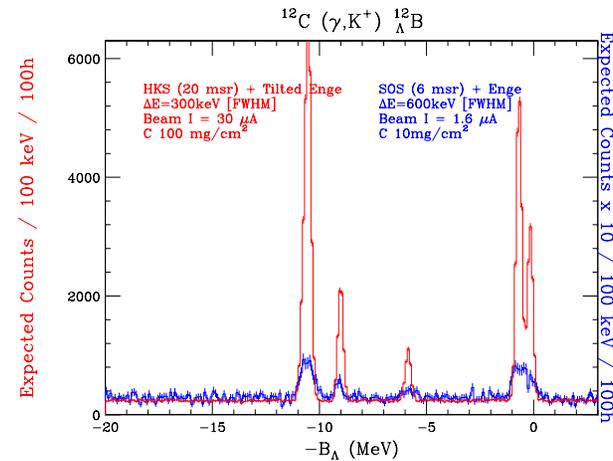


Energy Levels and Excitation Strength from Theory†



# Expected HKS Spectrum: $^{12}_{\Lambda}B$

- Expected Missing mass resolution:  
C: 390 KeV, Si: 360KeV, V:  
350 KeV, Y: 345 KeV
- $^{12}_{\Lambda}B$  GS spin doublet splitting may be extracted by angle correlation.



# Expected $^{51}_{\Lambda}\text{Ti}$ Spectrum

- Level splittings due to spin-orbit interaction expected to increase with higher orbit

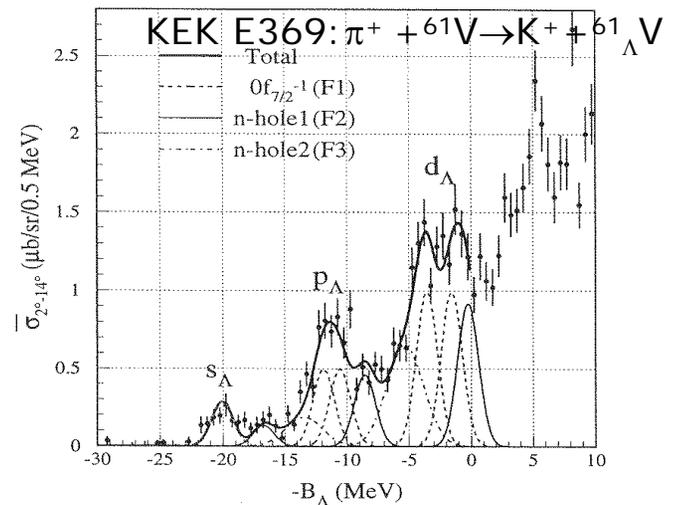
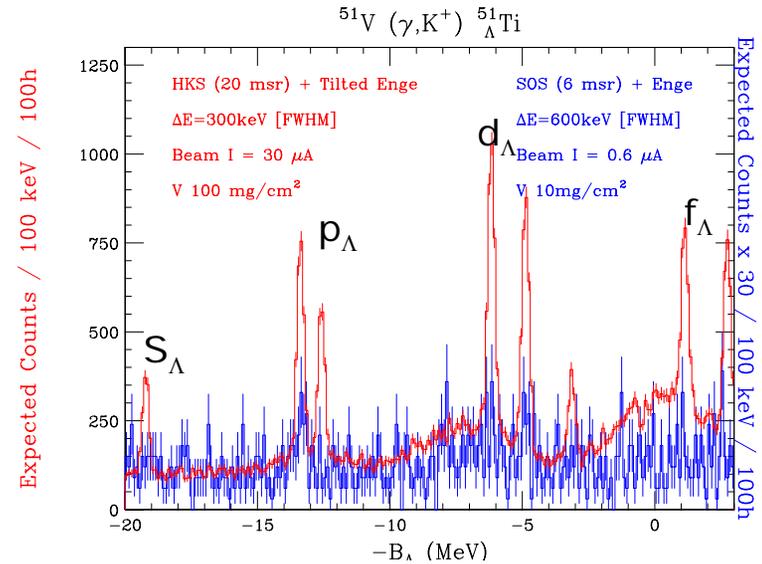
$$E_{l-1/2} - E_{l+1/2} \propto (l+1/2) \cdot A^{-2/3}$$

- Charge Symmetry Broken(CSB) effect:

$$\Delta B_{\Lambda} \approx V_0^{CSB} B_{\Lambda} \left( \frac{N-Z}{A-1} \right), B_{\Lambda} = \frac{dB_{\Lambda}}{dV_0}$$

Estimated from binding energy difference ( $\sim -0.35$  MeV) of  $^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$  and  $^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}$   $V_0^{CSB} \sim -0.05$ .

- For heavy target such as  $^{51}\text{V}$  and  $^{89}\text{Y}$ , CSB effect is small but significant due to neutron excess,  $^{51}_{\Lambda}\text{Ti}$  6 and  $^{89}_{\Lambda}\text{Sr}$  12.



# HKS Spectrometer and JLab E01-011 Setup

Tilt  $7.75^\circ$  (6cm offset)  
Scat. Angle:  $4.7^\circ$

