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# Weak radiative hyperon decays in covariant baryon chiral perturbation theory

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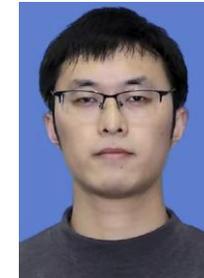
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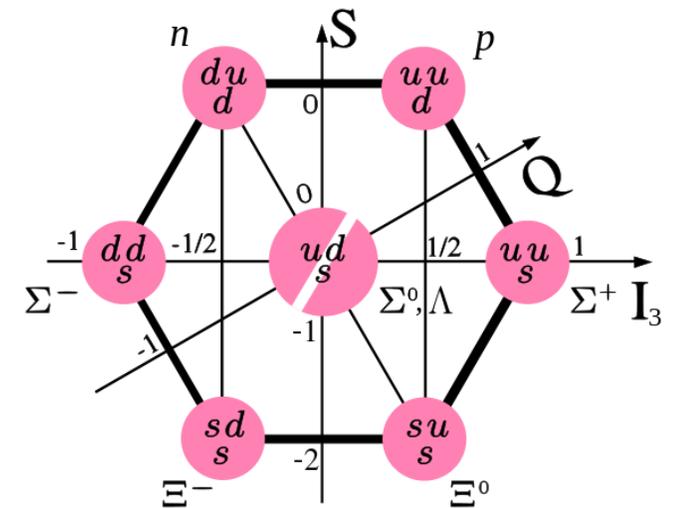
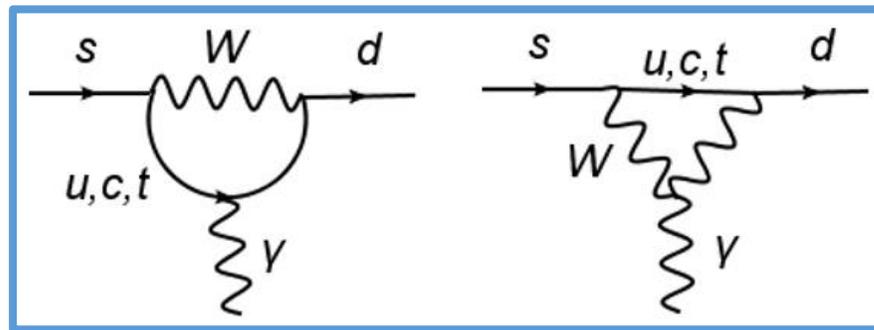


**Summary and outlook**

# What are weak radiative hyperon decays

- **Weak radiative hyperon decays (WRHDs)** are interesting physical processes involving the **electromagnetic, weak, and strong interactions**

- $s \rightarrow d \gamma$  transitions in the quark level



- **Six** WRHDs channels of the ground-state octet baryons

$\Lambda \rightarrow n\gamma$	$\Sigma^0 \rightarrow n\gamma$	$\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Sigma^0\gamma$
$\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p\gamma$	$\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\gamma$	$\Xi^- \rightarrow \Sigma^-\gamma$

# What are weak radiative hyperon decays

- The effective Lagrangian describing the  $B_i \rightarrow B_f \gamma$  WRHDs

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{eG_F}{2} \bar{B}_f (a + b\gamma_5) \sigma^{\mu\nu} B_i F_{\mu\nu},$$

**a:** parity-conserving amplitude

**b:** parity-violating amplitude

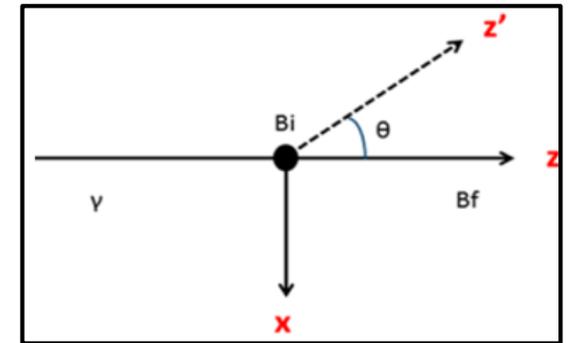
- **Observables** for the WRHDs

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{d\cos\theta} = \frac{e^2 G_F^2}{\pi} (|a|^2 + |b|^2) \left[ 1 + \frac{2\text{Re}(ab^*)}{|a|^2 + |b|^2} \cos\theta \right] \cdot |\vec{k}|^3,$$

$$\alpha_\gamma = \frac{2\text{Re}(ab^*)}{|a|^2 + |b|^2}, \quad \Gamma = \frac{e^2 G_F^2}{\pi} (|a|^2 + |b|^2) \cdot |\vec{k}|^3, \quad |\vec{k}| = \frac{m_i^2 - m_f^2}{2m_i}$$

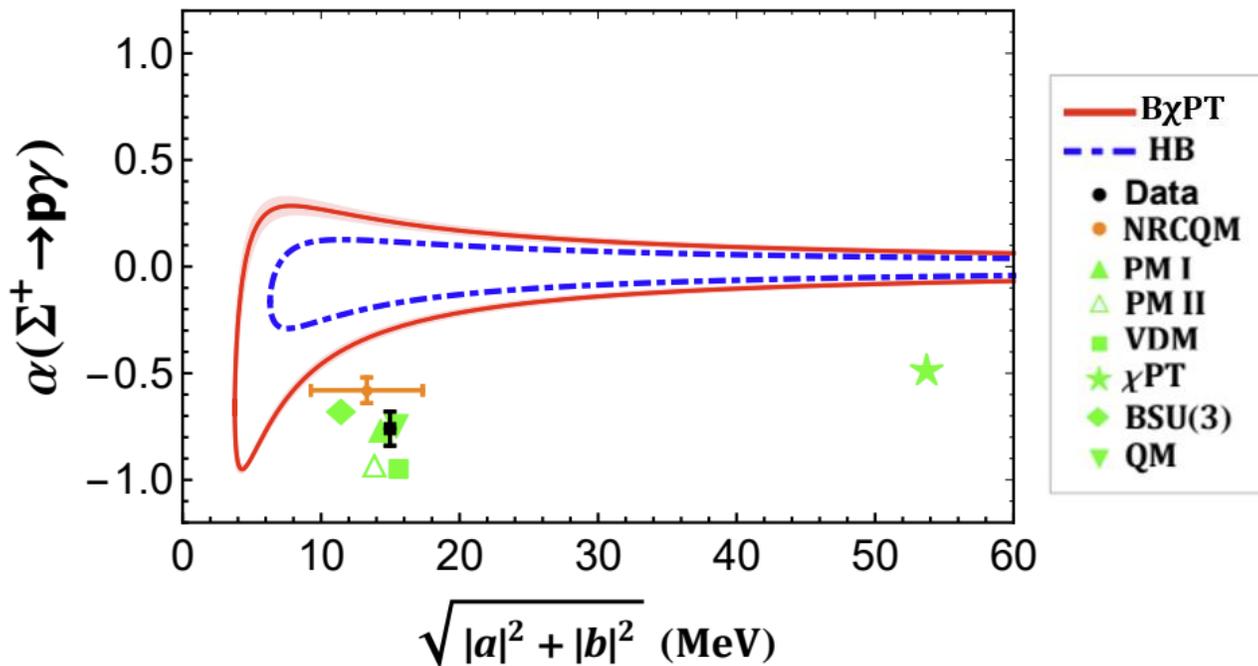
$\alpha_\gamma$ : the asymmetry parameter

$\theta$ : the angle between the spin of the initial baryon  $B_i$  and the 3-momentum  $\vec{k}$  of the final baryon  $B_f$



# Why to study WRHDs: the WRHDs puzzle

- The experimental measurement of **a surprisingly large asymmetry for  $\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p \gamma$  decay** [[PR188, 2077 \(1969\)](#)], contradicting **Hara's theorem** based on gauge invariance, CP conservation, and U-spin symmetry [[Y. Hara, PRL12, 378 \(1964\)](#)]



Data: [PDG, PTEP 2020, 083C01\(2020\)](#)

HB: [E. E. Jenkins et al, NPB 397, 84 \(1993\)](#)

B $\chi$ PT: [H. Neufeld, Nucl. Phys. B 402, 166 \(1993\)](#)

NRCQM: [Qiang Zhao et al, CPC45, 013101 \(2021\)](#)

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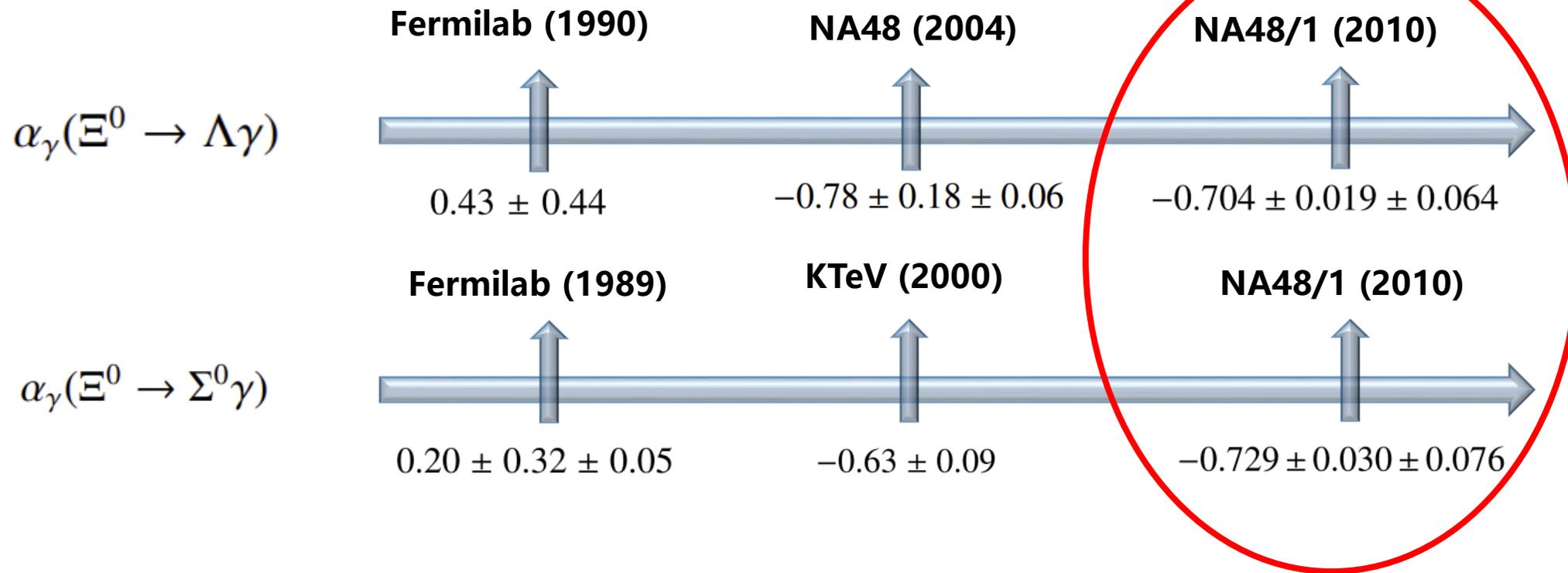
BSU(3): [P. Zenczykowski, PRD 73, 076005 \(2006\)](#)

QM: [E. N. Dubovik et al, Phys. Atom. Nucl. 71, 136 \(2008\)](#)

- Although some models predictions are in agreement with the measurement of the large asymmetry for the  $\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p \gamma$  decay, **they explain poorly the data of other WRHDs**

# Why to study WRHDs: experimentally challenging

□ **Significant changes** in the asymmetry parameters of  $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Sigma^0 \gamma$  and  $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda \gamma$



# Why to study WRHDs-- $\Lambda \rightarrow n\gamma$



□ **New BESIII** measurement for the  $\Lambda \rightarrow n\gamma$  decay ([2206.10791](#))

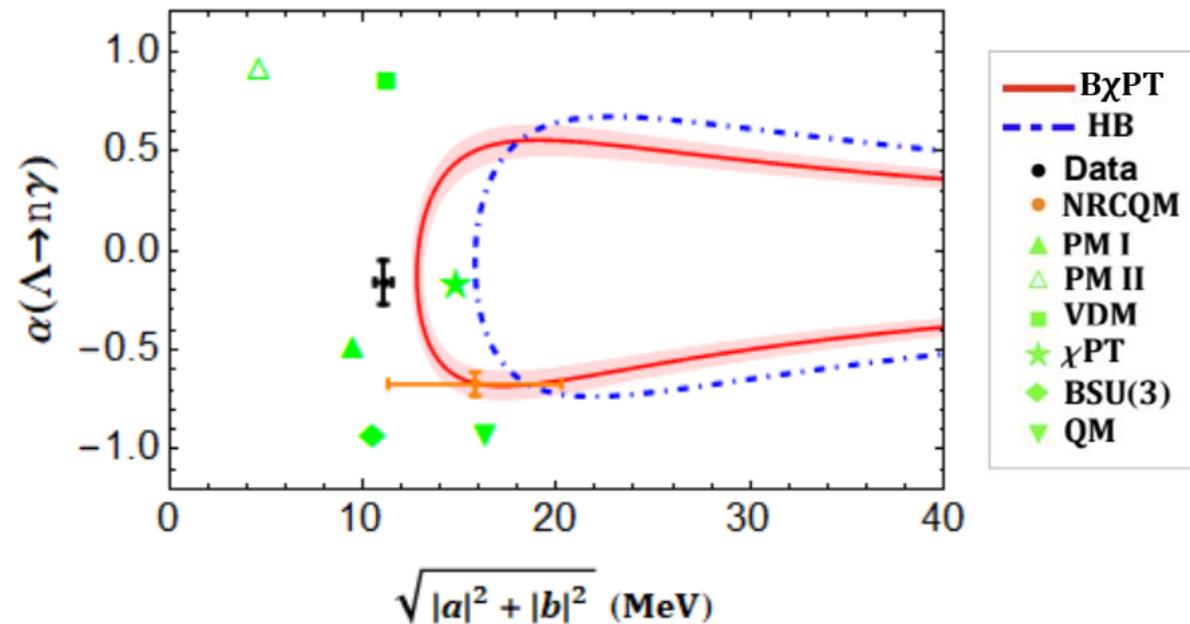
Decay Mode	$\Lambda \rightarrow n\gamma$	$\bar{\Lambda} \rightarrow \bar{n}\gamma$
$N_{ST} (\times 10^3)$	$6853.2 \pm 2.6$	$7036.2 \pm 2.7$
$\varepsilon_{ST} (\%)$	$51.13 \pm 0.01$	$52.53 \pm 0.01$
$N_{DT}$	$723 \pm 40$	$498 \pm 41$
$\varepsilon_{DT} (\%)$	$6.58 \pm 0.04$	$4.32 \pm 0.03$
BF ( $\times 10^{-3}$ )	$0.820 \pm 0.045 \pm 0.066$	$0.862 \pm 0.071 \pm 0.084$
	<b><math>0.832 \pm 0.038 \pm 0.054</math></b>	
$\alpha_\gamma$	$-0.13 \pm 0.13 \pm 0.03$	$0.21 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.06$
	<b><math>-0.16 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.05</math></b>	

$\Gamma(n\gamma)/\Gamma_{total}$		PDG2022			$\Gamma_3/\Gamma$
VALUE (units $10^{-3}$ )	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT	
<b><math>1.75 \pm 0.15</math> OUR FIT</b>					
<b><math>1.75 \pm 0.15</math></b>	1816	LARSON	93	SPEC $K^- p$ at rest	
• • • We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. • • •					
$1.78 \pm 0.24^{+0.14}_{-0.16}$	287	NOBLE	92	SPEC See LARSON 93	

- The branching fraction is only **about one half** of the current PDG average
- The asymmetry parameter  $\alpha_\gamma$  **is determined for the first time**

# Why to study WRHDs-- $\Lambda \rightarrow n\gamma$

- None of the existing predictions can describe the new BESIII measurement for the  $\Lambda \rightarrow n\gamma$  decay



Data: [BESIII, 2206.10791](#)

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B $\chi$ PT: [H. Neufeld, Nucl. Phys. B 402, 166 \(1993\)](#)

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# Why to study WRHDs



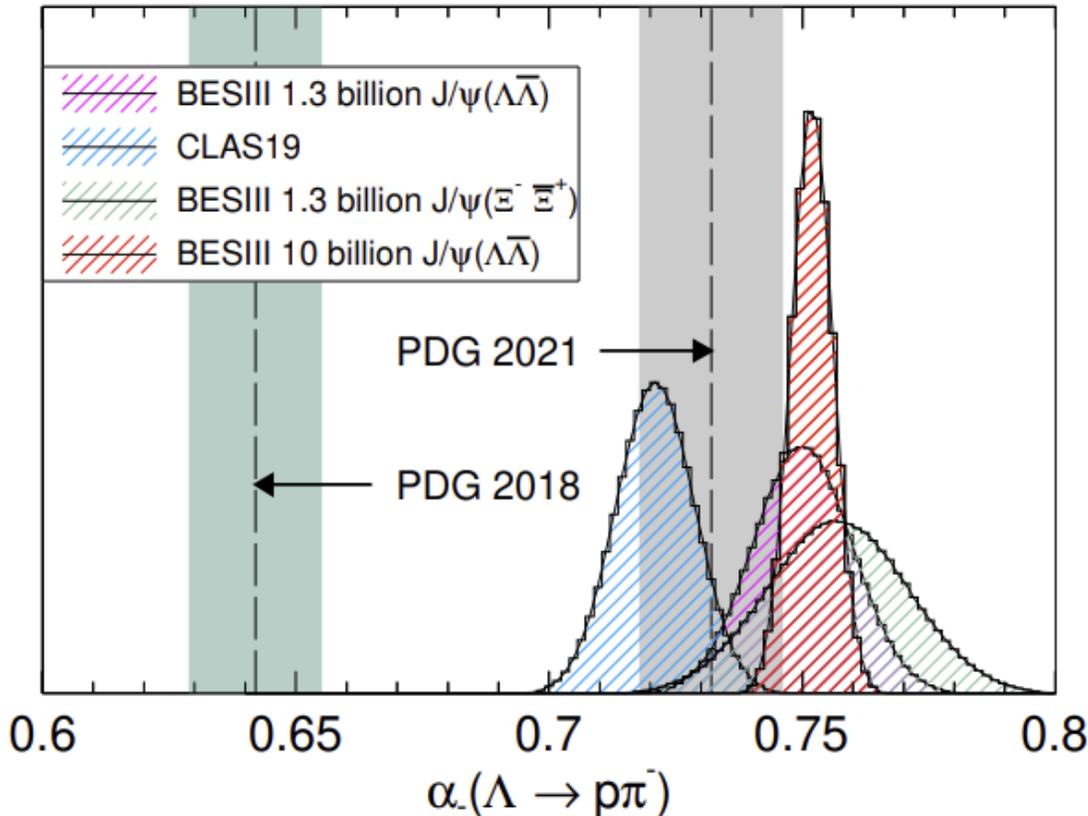
## □ New BESIII and CLAS data for the hyperon non-leptonic decays

BESIII: Nature Phys. 15, 631 (2019)

CLAS: PRL123,182301 (2019)

BESIII: Nature 606, 64 (2022)

BESIII: PRL129,131801 (2022)



- Definition of decay parameter for the  $\Lambda \rightarrow p \pi^-$  decay

$$\mathcal{M}(B_i \rightarrow B_f \pi) = iG_F m_\pi^2 \bar{B}_f (A_S - A_P \gamma_5) B_i$$

$$\alpha_\pi = \frac{2\text{Re}(s \cdot p)}{|s|^2 + |p|^2} \quad s = A_S \quad p = A_P |\vec{q}| / (E_f + m_f)$$

- Featured by a **larger statistics** and a **small uncertainty** and very different from previous PDG average
- A significant change for the baryon decay parameter of  $\Lambda \rightarrow p \pi^-$  may **greatly affect the values of LECs hD, hF and hyperon non-leptonic decay amplitudes as inputs WRHDs**

# Why to study WRHDs—theoretical tools

- Theoretically, **two phenomenological models** are able to explain the current experimental data of WRHDs at least qualitatively **except for the  $\Lambda \rightarrow n \gamma$  decay**

*E. N. Dubovik et al, Phys. Atom. Nucl. 71, 136 (2008)*

*P. Zenczykowski, PRD 73, 076005 (2006)*

- **Chiral perturbation theory ( $\chi$ PT)** studies on the WRHDs

*B. Borasoy et al, PRD 59, 054019 (1999) (Tree level)*

*E. E. Jenkins et al, NPB397, 84 (1993)*

*J. W. Bos et al, PRD 51, 6308 (1995) (Loop level in the heavy*

*J. W. Bos et al, PRD 54, 3321 (1996) baryon formulation)*

*J. W. Bos, et al, PRD 57, 4101 (1998)*

*H. Neufeld, NPB 402, 166 (1993) (Loop level in the covariant formulation)*

# Our purpose

Our goal is to study the WRHDs in **covariant baryon chiral perturbation theory** (B $\chi$ PT) with the **extended-on-mass-shell (EOMS)** renormalization scheme

- The work in the B $\chi$ PT *H. Neufeld, NPB 402, 166 (1993)*
  - ✓ The used low energy constants (LECs) and hyperon non-leptonic decay amplitudes are out of date
  - ✓ No efforts were taken to ensure a consistent power counting

Updating the relevant LECs and hyperon non-leptonic decay amplitudes

Calculating the branching fractions and asymmetry parameters, i.e., amplitudes **a** and **b**, of the WRHDs order by order

Comparing our predictions with those from other approaches/experimental data

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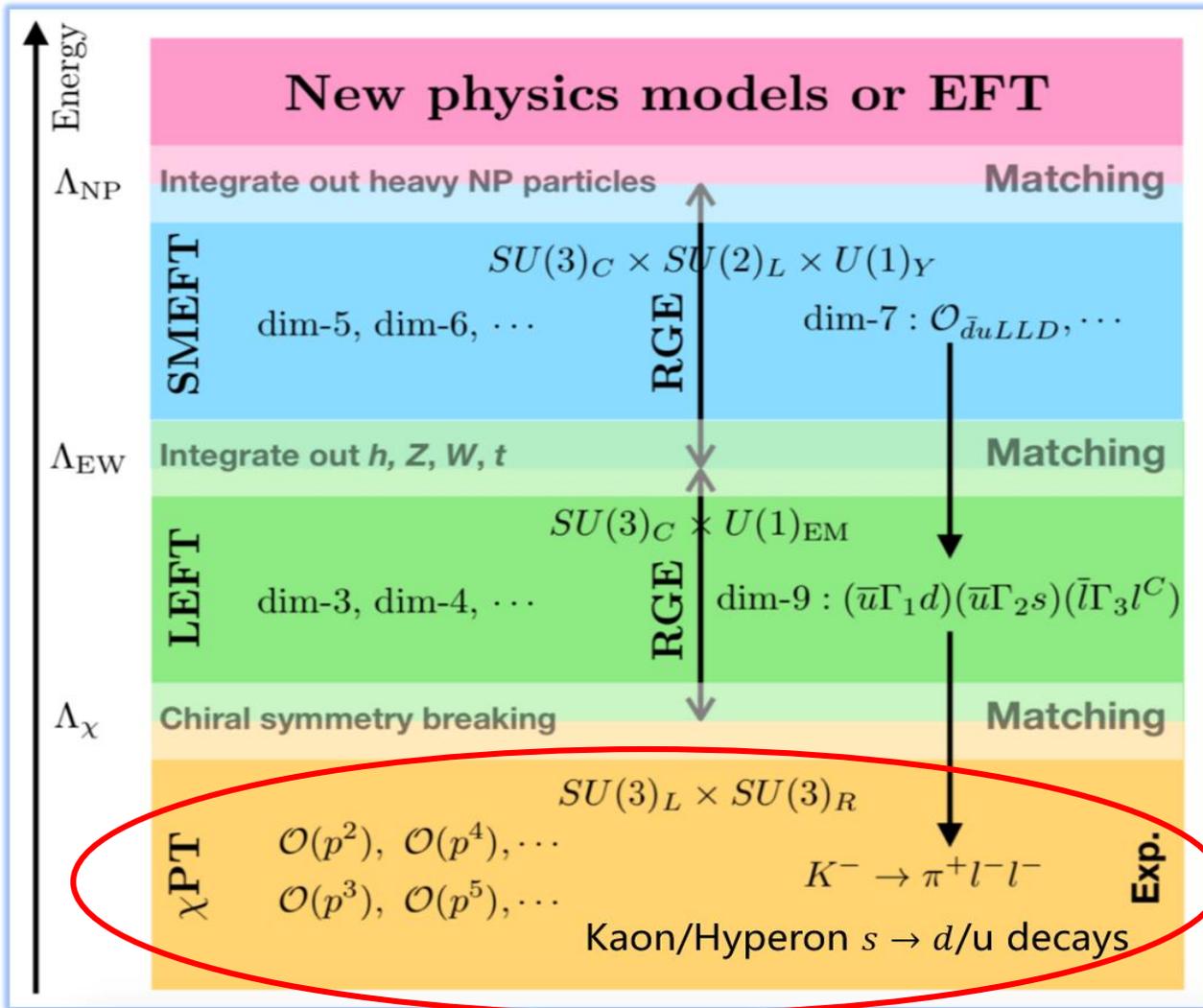


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# Chiral perturbation theory : a bottom-up approach



➤ **Effective theory:** the physics in low energy regions does not depend on the details of the higher energy physics, which has been integrated out

➤ **Chiral perturbation theory is a powerful tool to study the WRHDs**

# Chiral perturbation theory

□ The effective Lagrangian of the general form

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_i c_i(Q, \Lambda) O_i(\{\psi\})$$

$Q$  is the **soft scale**,  $\Lambda$  is the **hard scale**,  $C_i$  are **LECs**,  $O_i$  refer to **operators containing field  $\psi$** .

□ Power counting rule

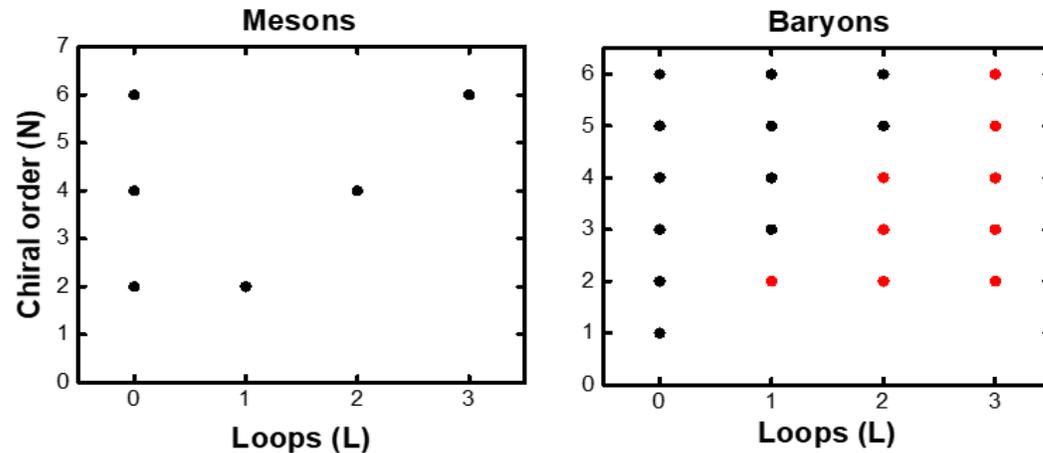
Chiral order:  $N = 4L - 2N_M - N_B + \sum k V_k$

□ Power counting breaking (PCB) problem

Power counting:



$$O(Q/\Lambda)^n$$



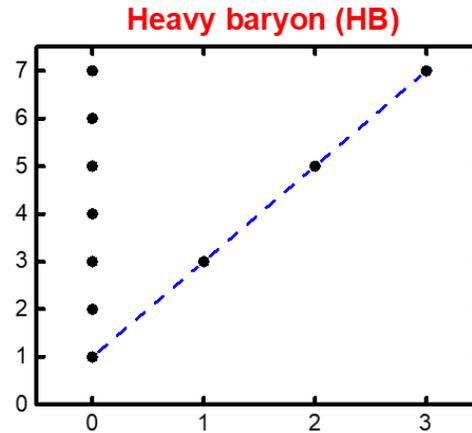
Single baryon / meson system

**Red dots: PCB terms**

# Chiral perturbation theory

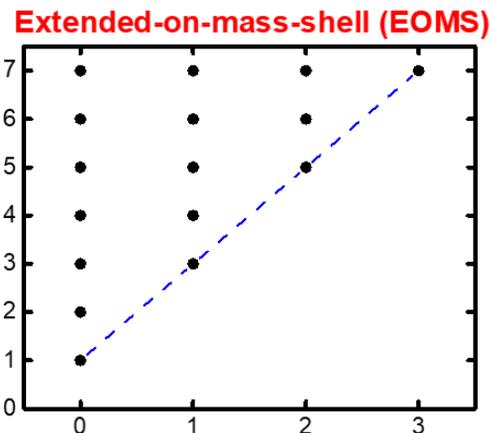
## □ Power counting breaking (PCB) solutions

✓ Nonrelativistic formulation

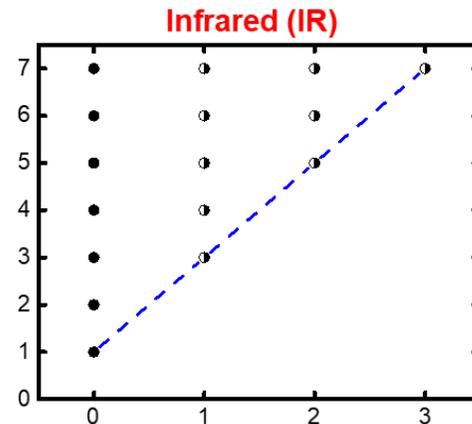


Removing all the PCB and higher order terms

✓ Covariant formulation (**We adopt EOMS**) *Li-Sheng Geng, Front.Phys.(Beijing) 8 (2013) 328-348*



Removing all the PCB terms and remaining all the higher order terms



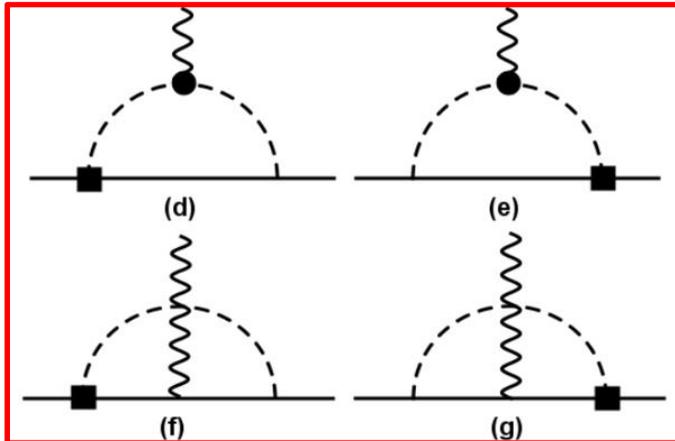
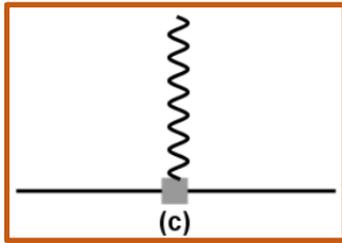
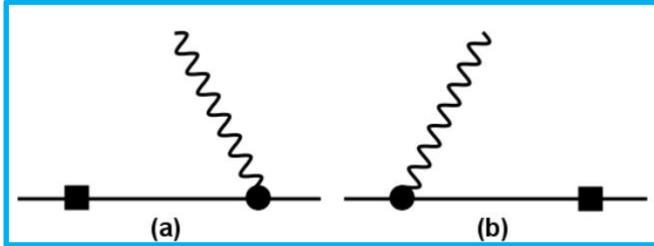
Removing all the PCB terms and remaining partly the higher order terms

# WRHDs in the EOMS $B\chi$ PT

$$a_{B_i B_f} = a_{B_i B_f}^{(1, \text{tree})} + a_{B_i B_f}^{(2, \text{tree})} + a_{B_i B_f}^{(2, \text{loop})}$$

$$b_{B_i B_f} = b_{B_i B_f}^{(2, \text{tree})} + b_{B_i B_f}^{(2, \text{loop})}$$

## Feynman diagrams



## Lagrangians

$$\mathcal{L}_{\Delta S=1}^{(0)} = \sqrt{2}G_F m_\pi^2 F_\phi \langle h_D \bar{B} \{u^\dagger \lambda u, B\} + h_F \bar{B} [u^\dagger \lambda u, B] \rangle,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{MB}^{(2)} = \frac{b_6^D}{8m_B} \langle \bar{B} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \{F_{\mu\nu}^+, B\} \rangle + \frac{b_6^F}{8m_B} \langle \bar{B} \sigma^{\mu\nu} [F_{\mu\nu}^+, B] \rangle,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_\alpha^{(2)} = C_\alpha \langle \bar{B} \sigma^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} \lambda Q B \rangle,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_\beta^{(2)} = C_\beta \langle \sigma^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} \bar{B} Q B \lambda \rangle,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_\gamma^{(2)} = C_\gamma \langle \bar{B} \sigma^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} B \lambda Q \rangle,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_\sigma^{(2)} = C_\sigma \langle \bar{B} \sigma^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} \lambda B Q \rangle,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_\rho^{(2)} = C_\rho \left( \langle \bar{B} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \gamma_5 F_{\mu\nu} Q \rangle \langle B \lambda \rangle - \langle \bar{B} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \gamma_5 F_{\mu\nu} \lambda \rangle \langle B Q \rangle \right)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\Delta S=1}^{(0)} = \sqrt{2}G_F m_\pi^2 F_\phi \langle h_D \bar{B} \{u^\dagger \lambda u, B\} + h_F \bar{B} [u^\dagger \lambda u, B] \rangle$$

$$\mathcal{L}_B^{(1)} = \langle \bar{B} i \gamma^\mu D_\mu B - m_0 \bar{B} B \rangle,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_M^{(2)} = \frac{F_\phi^2}{4} \langle u_\mu u^\mu + \chi^+ \rangle,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{MB}^{(1)} = \frac{D}{2} \langle \bar{B} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \{u_\mu, B\} \rangle + \frac{F}{2} \langle \bar{B} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 [u_\mu, B] \rangle,$$

## Order contributions

$$a_{B_i B_f}^{(1, \text{tree})}$$

$$a_{B_i B_f}^{(2, \text{tree})} \quad b_{B_i B_f}^{(2, \text{tree})}$$

LECs D and F have been determined in Ref. [L. S. Geng et al, PRD 90, 054502 \(2014\)](#)

$$a_{B_i B_f}^{(2, \text{loop})} \quad b_{B_i B_f}^{(2, \text{loop})}$$

For the amplitude a, weak vertex is  $\gamma_5$

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# LECs hD, hF and hyperon non-leptonic decay amplitudes

- The hyperon non-leptonic decay amplitudes for the octet-to-octet transitions have the following form

$$\mathcal{M}(B_i \rightarrow B_f \pi) = iG_F m_\pi^2 \bar{B}_f (A_S - A_P \gamma_5) B_i$$

Hyperon non-leptonic decay amplitudes: S-wave amplitude  $A_S$  and P-wave amplitude  $A_P$

- Decay width and baryon decay parameters  $\alpha_\pi$ ,  $\beta_\pi$  and  $\gamma_\pi$  for  $B_i \rightarrow B_f \pi$  decays

$$\Gamma(B_i \rightarrow B_f \pi) = \frac{(G_F m_\pi^2)^2}{8\pi m_i^2} |\vec{q}| \left\{ [(m_i + m_f)^2 - m_\pi^2] |s|^2 + [(m_i - m_f)^2 - m_\pi^2] \left| p \cdot \frac{(E_f + m_f)}{|\vec{q}|} \right|^2 \right\},$$

$$\alpha_\pi = \frac{2\text{Re}(s \cdot p)}{|s|^2 + |p|^2}, \quad \beta_\pi = \frac{2\text{Im}(s \cdot p)}{|s|^2 + |p|^2}, \quad \gamma_\pi = \frac{|s|^2 + |p|^2}{|s|^2 + |p|^2},$$

with

$$s = A_S \quad p = A_P |\vec{q}| / (E_f + m_f)$$

where  $E_f$  and  $\vec{q}$  are the energy and 3-momentum of the final baryon

# LECs hD, hF and hyperon non-leptonic decay amplitudes

Table: By means of isospin symmetry, the Lee-Sugawara relations and the criterion that  $A_S(\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-)$  is conventionally positive, **S - and P-wave hyperon non-leptonic decay amplitudes are uniquely** determined by fitting to the recent data [3,51-53] of branching fraction  $\mathcal{B}$ , baryon decay parameters  $\alpha_\pi$  and  $\gamma_\pi$

Decay modes	$\mathcal{B}$ [3]	$\alpha_\pi$ [3, 51–53]	$\phi_\pi$ (°) [3, 52]	$s = A_S^{(\text{Expt})}$		$p = A_P^{(\text{Expt})}  \vec{q}  / (E_f + m_f)$	
				This work	[49]	This work	[49]
$\Sigma^+ \rightarrow n\pi^+$	0.4831(30)	0.068(13)	167(20)	0.06(1)	0.06(1)	1.81(1)	1.81(1)
$\Sigma^- \rightarrow n\pi^-$	0.99848(5)	-0.068(8)	10(15)	1.88(1)	1.88(1)	-0.06(1)	-0.06(1)
$\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-$	0.639(5)	0.7462(88)	-6.5(35)	1.38(1)	1.42(1)	0.62(1)	0.52(2)
$\Xi^- \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^-$	0.99887(35)	-0.376(8)	0.6(12)	-1.99(1)	-1.98(1)	0.39(1)	0.48(2)
$\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p\pi^0$	0.5157(30)	-0.982(14)	36(34)	-1.50(3)	-1.43(5)	1.29(4)	1.17(7)
$\Lambda \rightarrow n\pi^0$	0.358(5)	0.74(5)	...	-1.09(2)	-1.04(1)	-0.48(4)	-0.39(4)
$\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^0$	0.99524(12)	-0.356(11)	21(12)	1.62(10)	1.52(2)	-0.30(10)	-0.33(2)

● Comparing our results with those of Ref. [49]:

$$\gamma_\pi = \sqrt{1 - \alpha_\pi^2} \cos(\phi_\pi)$$

- ✓ P-wave amplitudes, especially for  $A_P(\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-)$  and  $A_P(\Xi^- \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^-)$ , differ a lot, which would affect the imaginary parts of the parity-conserving amplitude a
- ✓ the experimental S -wave amplitudes are almost unchanged

# Non-leptonic decay amplitudes—S/P puzzle

## □ Amplitudes of hyperon non-leptonic decay

$$\mathcal{M}(B_i \rightarrow B_f \pi) = iG_F m_\pi^2 \bar{B}_f (A_S - A_P \gamma_5) B_i$$

Here, both S-wave amplitude  $A_S$  and P-wave amplitude  $A_P$  are as functions of LECs  $h_D$  and  $h_F$

□ **The so-called S/P puzzle:** if the two LECs  $h_D$  and  $h_F$  can describe well the experimental S-wave amplitudes, they reproduce very poorly the P-wave amplitudes

As a result, we only updated the values of  $h_D$  and  $h_F$  by fitting to the experimental S-wave amplitudes for hyperon non-leptonic decays

# LECs $h_D$ , $h_F$ and hyperon non-leptonic decay amplitudes

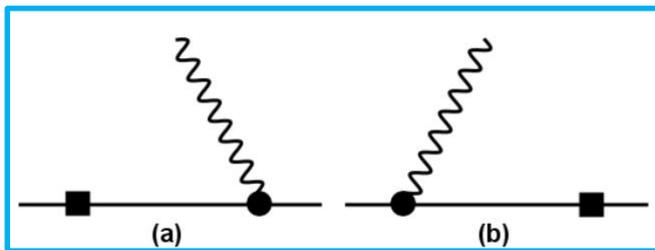
Table: LECs  $h_D$  and  $h_F$  determined by fitting to the S -wave hyperon non-leptonic decay amplitudes.

Decay modes	$A_S^{\text{th}}$	$A_S^{\text{Expt}}$
$\Sigma^+ \rightarrow n\pi^+$	0	0.06(1)
$\Sigma^- \rightarrow n\pi^-$	$-h_D + h_F$	1.88(1)
$\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}(h_D + 3h_F)$	1.38(1)
$\Xi^- \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^-$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}(h_D - 3h_F)$	-1.99(1)
$\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p\pi^0$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(h_D - h_F)$	-1.50(3)
$\Lambda \rightarrow n\pi^0$	$-\frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}}(h_D + 3h_F)$	-1.09(2)
$\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^0$	$-\frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}}(h_D - 3h_F)$	1.62(10)
$\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.} = 0.24$	$h_D = -0.61(24) \quad h_F = 1.42(14)$	

- In our least-squares fit, an absolute uncertainty of 0.3 is added to each S -wave amplitude in order to match the theoretical predictions with the experimental data at  $1\sigma$  confidence level
- The tree-level formulae for the S -wave amplitudes derived from the following Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{\Delta S=1}^{(0)} = \sqrt{2}G_F m_\pi^2 F_\phi \langle h_D \bar{B} \{u^\dagger \lambda u, B\} + h_F \bar{B} [u^\dagger \lambda u, B] \rangle$$

# Real part of amplitude $a$ at $O(p)^1$ --tree



$$\mathcal{L}_{\Delta S=1}^{(0)} = \sqrt{2}G_F m_\pi^2 F_\phi \langle h_D \bar{B} \{u^\dagger \lambda u, B\} + h_F \bar{B} [u^\dagger \lambda u, B] \rangle,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{MB}^{(2)} = \frac{b_6^D}{8m_B} \langle \bar{B} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \{F_{\mu\nu}^+, B\} \rangle + \frac{b_6^F}{8m_B} \langle \bar{B} \sigma^{\mu\nu} [F_{\mu\nu}^+, B] \rangle,$$

$$a_{\Lambda n}^{(1,\text{tree})} = \frac{m_\pi^2 F_\phi}{2m_B} \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (h_D + 3h_F) \frac{\mu_n^{(2)} - \mu_\Lambda^{(2)}}{m_\Lambda - m_n} - (h_D - h_F) \frac{\mu_{\Lambda\Sigma^0}^{(2)}}{m_{\Sigma^0} - m_n} \right],$$

$$a_{\Sigma^+ p}^{(1,\text{tree})} = \frac{m_\pi^2 F_\phi}{2m_B} \left[ -\sqrt{2} (h_D - h_F) \frac{\mu_p^{(2)} - \mu_{\Sigma^+}^{(2)}}{m_{\Sigma^+} - m_p} \right],$$

$$a_{\Sigma^0 n}^{(1,\text{tree})} = \frac{m_\pi^2 F_\phi}{2m_B} \left[ (h_D - h_F) \frac{\mu_n^{(2)} - \mu_{\Sigma^0}^{(2)}}{m_{\Sigma^0} - m_n} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (h_D + 3h_F) \frac{\mu_{\Sigma^0\Lambda}^{(2)}}{m_\Lambda - m_n} \right],$$

$$a_{\Xi^0\Lambda}^{(1,\text{tree})} = \frac{m_\pi^2 F_\phi}{2m_B} \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (h_D - 3h_F) \frac{\mu_\Lambda^{(2)} - \mu_{\Xi^0}^{(2)}}{m_{\Xi^0} - m_\Lambda} + (h_D + h_F) \frac{\mu_{\Sigma^0\Lambda}^{(2)}}{m_{\Xi^0} - m_{\Sigma^0}} \right],$$

$$a_{\Xi^0\Sigma^0}^{(1,\text{tree})} = \frac{m_\pi^2 F_\phi}{2m_B} \left[ (h_D + h_F) \frac{\mu_{\Sigma^0}^{(2)} - \mu_{\Xi^0}^{(2)}}{m_{\Xi^0} - m_{\Sigma^0}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (h_D - 3h_F) \frac{\mu_{\Lambda\Sigma^0}^{(2)}}{m_{\Xi^0} - m_\Lambda} \right],$$

$$a_{\Xi^-\Sigma^-}^{(1,\text{tree})} = \frac{m_\pi^2 F_\phi}{2m_B} \left[ \sqrt{2} (h_D + h_F) \frac{\mu_{\Xi^-}^{(2)} - \mu_{\Sigma^-}^{(2)}}{m_{\Xi^-} - m_{\Sigma^-}} \right],$$

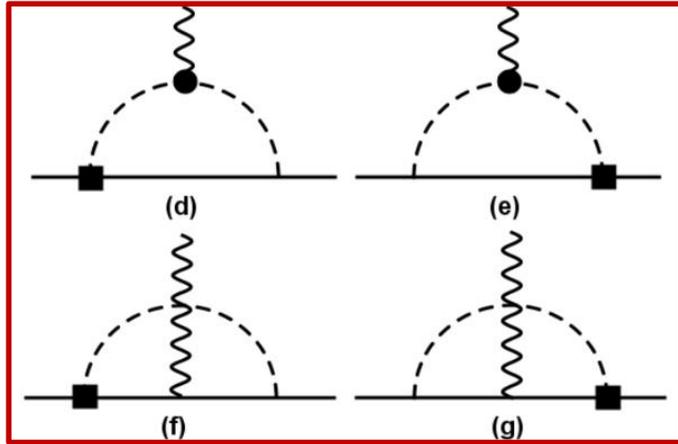
•  $h_D$  and  $h_F$  are LECs

•  $\mu_B^{(2)}$  are the experimental baryon magnetic moments

$$a_{B_i B_f} = a_{B_i B_f}^{(1,\text{tree})} + a_{B_i B_f}^{(2,\text{tree})} + a_{B_i B_f}^{(2,\text{loop})}$$

$$b_{B_i B_f} = b_{B_i B_f}^{(2,\text{tree})} + b_{B_i B_f}^{(2,\text{loop})}$$

# Amplitude b and imaginary part of amplitude a at $O(p^2)$ --loop



$$\mathcal{L}_{\Delta S=1}^{(0)} = \sqrt{2}G_F m_\pi^2 F_\phi \langle h_D \bar{B} \{u^\dagger \lambda u, B\} + h_F \bar{B} [u^\dagger \lambda u, B] \rangle$$

$$\mathcal{L}_B^{(1)} = \langle \bar{B} i \gamma^\mu D_\mu B - m_0 \bar{B} B \rangle,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_M^{(2)} = \frac{F_\phi^2}{4} \langle u_\mu u^\mu + \chi^+ \rangle,$$

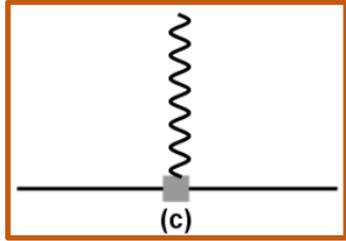
$$\mathcal{L}_{MB}^{(1)} = \frac{D}{2} \langle \bar{B} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \{u_\mu, B\} \rangle + \frac{F}{2} \langle \bar{B} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 [u_\mu, B] \rangle,$$

Real part of amplitude a in the loop level cannot be reliably determined due to S/P puzzle in hyperon non-leptonic decays.

$$a_{B_i B_f} = a_{B_i B_f}^{(1, \text{tree})} + a_{B_i B_f}^{(2, \text{tree})} + a_{B_i B_f}^{(2, \text{loop})}$$

$$b_{B_i B_f} = b_{B_i B_f}^{(2, \text{tree})} + b_{B_i B_f}^{(2, \text{loop})}$$

# Real part of amplitude a and b at $O(p^2)$ --tree



$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L}_\alpha^{(2)} &= C_\alpha \langle \bar{B} \sigma^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} \lambda Q B \rangle, \\
 \mathcal{L}_\beta^{(2)} &= C_\beta \langle \sigma^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} \bar{B} Q B \lambda \rangle, \\
 \mathcal{L}_\gamma^{(2)} &= C_\gamma \langle \bar{B} \sigma^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} B \lambda Q \rangle, \quad \text{counter-terms} \\
 \mathcal{L}_\sigma^{(2)} &= C_\sigma \langle \bar{B} \sigma^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} \lambda B Q \rangle, \\
 \mathcal{L}_\rho^{(2)} &= C_\rho \left( \langle \bar{B} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \gamma_5 F_{\mu\nu} Q \rangle \langle B \lambda \rangle - \langle \bar{B} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \gamma_5 F_{\mu\nu} \lambda \rangle \langle B Q \rangle \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

- CPS is CP followed by the SU(3) transformation of  $u \rightarrow -u$ ,  $d \rightarrow s$  and  $s \rightarrow d$  which exchanges s and d quarks.
- CPS symmetry dictates the existence of five unknown LECs

**Table: Contributions to the real parts of amplitudes a and b at tree-level  $O(p)^2$ . The normalization  $2(eG_F)^{-1}$  has been factored out.**

	$\Lambda \rightarrow n\gamma$	$\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p\gamma$	$\Sigma^0 \rightarrow n\gamma$	$\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\gamma$	$\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Sigma^0\gamma$	$\Xi^- \rightarrow \Sigma^-\gamma$
$a^{(2,\text{tree})}$	$\frac{2C_\alpha - C_\beta - C_\gamma + 2C_\sigma}{3\sqrt{6}}$	$\frac{2C_\beta - C_\gamma}{3}$	$\frac{C_\beta + C_\gamma}{3\sqrt{2}}$	$-\frac{C_\alpha - 2C_\beta - 2C_\gamma + C_\sigma}{3\sqrt{6}}$	$\frac{C_\alpha + C_\sigma}{3\sqrt{2}}$	$\frac{2C_\sigma - C_\alpha}{3}$
$b^{(2,\text{tree})}$	$-\frac{C_\rho}{\sqrt{6}}$	0	$-\frac{C_\rho}{\sqrt{2}}$	$\frac{C_\rho}{\sqrt{6}}$	$\frac{C_\rho}{\sqrt{2}}$	0

$$\begin{aligned}
 b_{\Xi^0 \Sigma^0}^{(2,\text{tree})} &= \sqrt{3} b_{\Xi^0 \Lambda}^{(2,\text{tree})}, & b_{\Lambda n}^{(2,\text{tree})} &= -b_{\Xi^0 \Lambda}^{(2,\text{tree})}, \\
 b_{\Sigma^0 n}^{(2,\text{tree})} &= -\sqrt{3} b_{\Xi^0 \Lambda}^{(2,\text{tree})}, & b_{\Sigma^+ p}^{(2,\text{tree})} &= 0, & b_{\Xi^- \Sigma^-}^{(2,\text{tree})} &= 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

# Determining the contributions of counter-terms

□ Total amplitudes  $a$  and  $b$  are **a sum of the tree and loop contributions** and read:

$$a_{B_i B_f} = a_{B_i B_f}^{(1, \text{tree})} + a_{B_i B_f}^{(2, \text{tree})} + a_{B_i B_f}^{(2, \text{loop})} = \text{Re } a_{B_i B_f} + \text{Im } a_{B_i B_f}^{(2, \text{loop})}$$

$$b_{B_i B_f} = b_{B_i B_f}^{(2, \text{tree})} + b_{B_i B_f}^{(2, \text{loop})}$$

□ Using  $b_{\Xi^0 \Sigma^0}^{(2, \text{tree})} = \sqrt{3} b_{\Xi^0 \Lambda}^{(2, \text{tree})}$  and fitting to  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\alpha_\gamma$  for  $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Sigma^0 \gamma$  and  $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda \gamma$  decays, we determine **for the first time** the contributions of counter-terms

	Solution I	Solution II
$b_{\Xi^0 \Lambda}^{(2, \text{tree})}$	5.62(53)	-8.34(48)
$\text{Re } a_{\Xi^0 \Lambda}$	-9.56(34)	3.89(45)
$\text{Re } a_{\Xi^0 \Sigma^0}$	-32.22(64)	32.50(61)
$\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.}$	0.04	1.22

- The  $\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.}$  of Solution I much smaller than that of Solution II.

- Contributions of counter-terms for other WRHDs obtained by the following relations  $b_{\Lambda n}^{(2, \text{tree})} = -b_{\Xi^0 \Lambda}^{(2, \text{tree})}$ ,  $b_{\Sigma^0 n}^{(2, \text{tree})} = -\sqrt{3} b_{\Xi^0 \Lambda}^{(2, \text{tree})}$ ,  $b_{\Sigma^+ p}^{(2, \text{tree})} = 0$ ,  $b_{\Xi^- \Sigma^-}^{(2, \text{tree})} = 0$

$$a_{B_i B_f} = a_{B_i B_f}^{(1, \text{tree})} + a_{B_i B_f}^{(2, \text{tree})} + a_{B_i B_f}^{(2, \text{loop})} = \text{Re } a_{B_i B_f} + \text{Im } a_{B_i B_f}^{(2, \text{loop})}$$

$$b_{B_i B_f} = b_{B_i B_f}^{(2, \text{tree})} + b_{B_i B_f}^{(2, \text{loop})}$$

Therefore, we take the **Re a** for each WRHD as a free parameter due to the unknown real parts of amplitudes  $a$  in tree and loop levels<sup>6</sup>

# Predictions for parity-conserving a and -violating b amplitudes

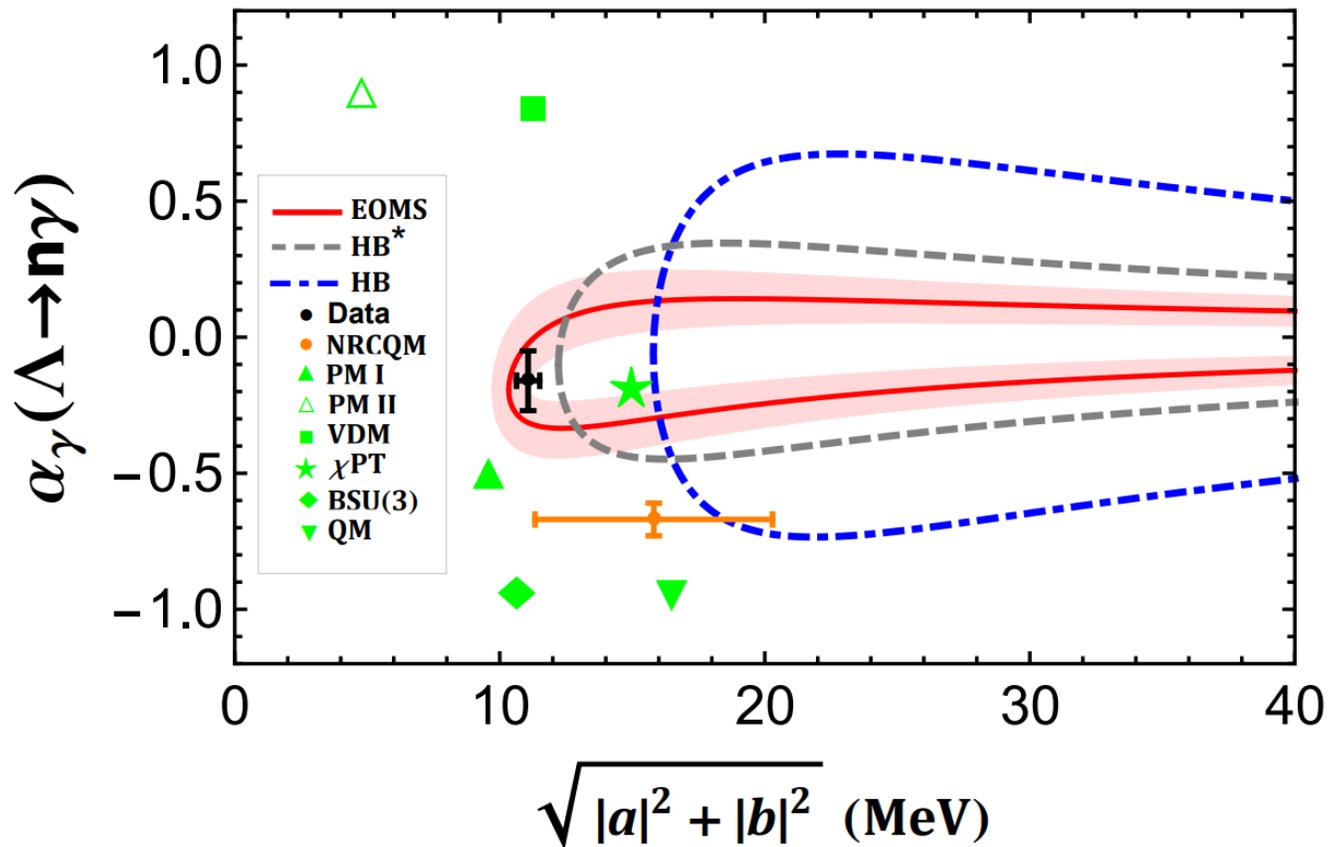
Table: Decomposition of the contributions to the parity-violating amplitudes b (in units of MeV)

Decay modes	EOMS B $\chi$ PT		
	$b^{(2,\text{tree})}$	$b^{(2,\text{loop})}$	$b^{(2,\text{tot})}$
$\Lambda \rightarrow n\gamma$	-5.62(53)	$7.87(73) + 10.04(81)i$	$2.25(90) + 10.04(81)i$
$\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p\gamma$	0	$-1.96(11) - 1.75(12)i$	$-1.96(11) - 1.75(12)i$
$\Sigma^0 \rightarrow n\gamma$	-9.73(92)	$1.41(11) + 10.09(78)i$	$-8.32(93) + 10.09(78)i$
$\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\gamma$	5.62(53)	-1.60(48)	4.02(72)
$\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Sigma^0\gamma$	9.73(92)	2.91(67)	12.64(114)
$\Xi^- \rightarrow \Sigma^-\gamma$	0	$-3.00(29) - 8.64(54)i$	$-3.00(29) - 8.64(54)i$

Table: Imaginary parts of the loop contributions to the parity-conserving amplitudes a at  $O(p^2)$  (in units of MeV)

Decay modes	EOMS B $\chi$ PT
	$\text{Im } a^{(2,\text{loop})}$
$\Lambda \rightarrow n\gamma$	-1.01(2)
$\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p\gamma$	2.70(4)
$\Xi^- \rightarrow \Sigma^-\gamma$	-0.57(1)

# $\alpha_\gamma$ of the $\Lambda \rightarrow n \gamma$ decay as a function of $\sqrt{|a|^2 + |b|^2}$



Data: [BESIII, 2206.10791](#)

HB  $\chi$ PT : [E. E. Jenkins et al, NPB 397, 84 \(1993\)](#)

HB\*  $\chi$ PT : [E. E. Jenkins et al, NPB 397, 84 \(1993\) with counter-term contributions](#)

NRCQM: [Qiang Zhao et al, CPC45, 013101 \(2021\)](#)

PM1: [M. B. Gavela et al, PLB 101, 417 \(1981\)](#)

PM2: [G. Nardulli, PLB 190, 187 \(1987\)](#)

VDM: [P. Zenczykowski, PRD 44, 1485 \(1991\)](#)

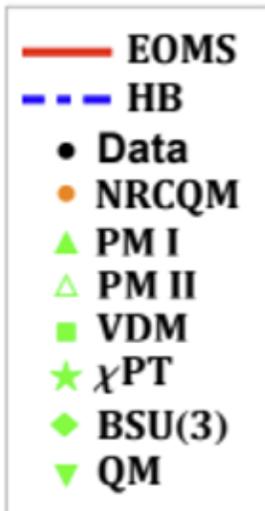
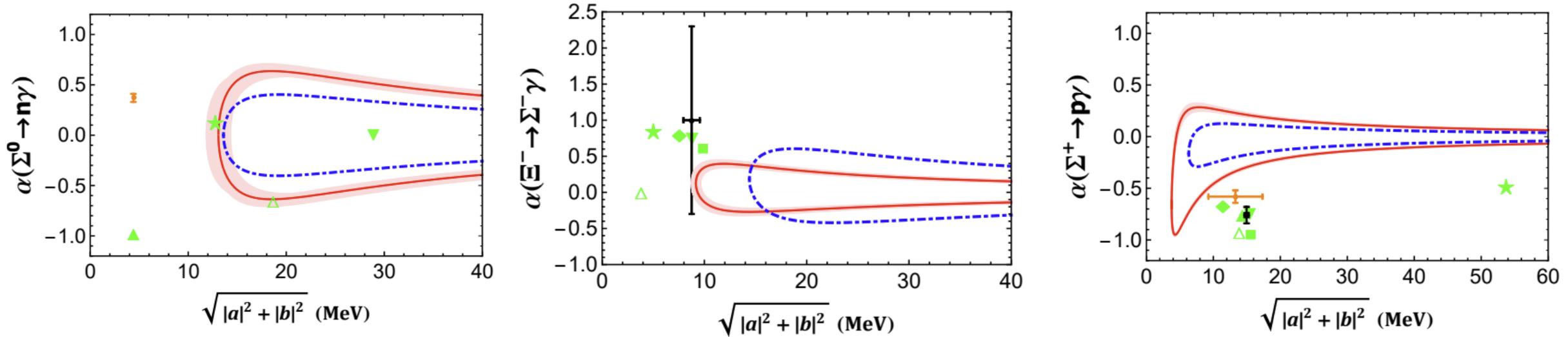
$\chi$ PT: [B. Borasoy et al, PRD 59, 054019 \(1999\)](#)

BSU(3): [P. Zenczykowski, PRD 73, 076005 \(2006\)](#)

QM: [E. N. Dubovik et al, Phys. Atom. Nucl. 71, 136 \(2008\)](#)

- Interestingly, only **EOMS B $\chi$ PT** agrees with the latest BESIII measurement
- The prediction in the HB  $\chi$ PT **with counter-term contributions** is very close to the BESIII data
- The vector dominance model (VDM) and the pole model (PM II) **are disfavored** by the BESIII data

# $\alpha_\gamma$ of the other WRHDs as a function of $\sqrt{|a|^2 + |b|^2}$



- For the  $\Sigma^0 \rightarrow n \gamma$  decay, not yet measured, **our result contradicts** the predictions of PM I and NRCQM
- For the  $\Xi^- \rightarrow \Sigma^- \gamma$  decay, **our prediction agrees better** with the experimental measurement, and the current PDG data disfavor the results of PM II and tree-level  $\chi$ PT
- **For the  $\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p \gamma$  decay, the results predicted in all the  $\chi$ PT deviate from the PDG average but our prediction is closer**

Hara's theorem:  $\alpha_\gamma$  for  $\Xi^- \rightarrow \Sigma^- \gamma$  and  $\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p \gamma$  should not be too large.

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# Summary and outlook

- We **first updated** the two relevant low energy constants  $h_D$ ,  $h_F$  and hyperon non-leptonic decay amplitudes determined by fitting to **the latest experimental data on the  $B_i \rightarrow B_f \pi$  decays**
- We **determined the  $O(p^2)$  counter-term contributions** determined by fitting to  $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Sigma^0 \gamma$  and  $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda \gamma$  **for the first time**
- We **showed** that the latest precise measurement of the branching fraction and asymmetry parameter of  $\Lambda \rightarrow n \gamma$  by the BESIII Collaboration **can be well explained** in covariant baryon chiral perturbation theory with the EOMS renormalization scheme (**The four WRHDs channels with observed results can also be described well**)
- A more precise measurement of  $\alpha_\gamma(\Xi^- \rightarrow \Sigma^- \gamma)$  is highly desirable in order to test Hara's theorem and confirm the present experimental result
- In addition, this work provides the essential SM inputs for studying new physics in the rare hyperon semi-leptonic decay  $B_i \rightarrow B_f \gamma^* \rightarrow B_f l l$ .

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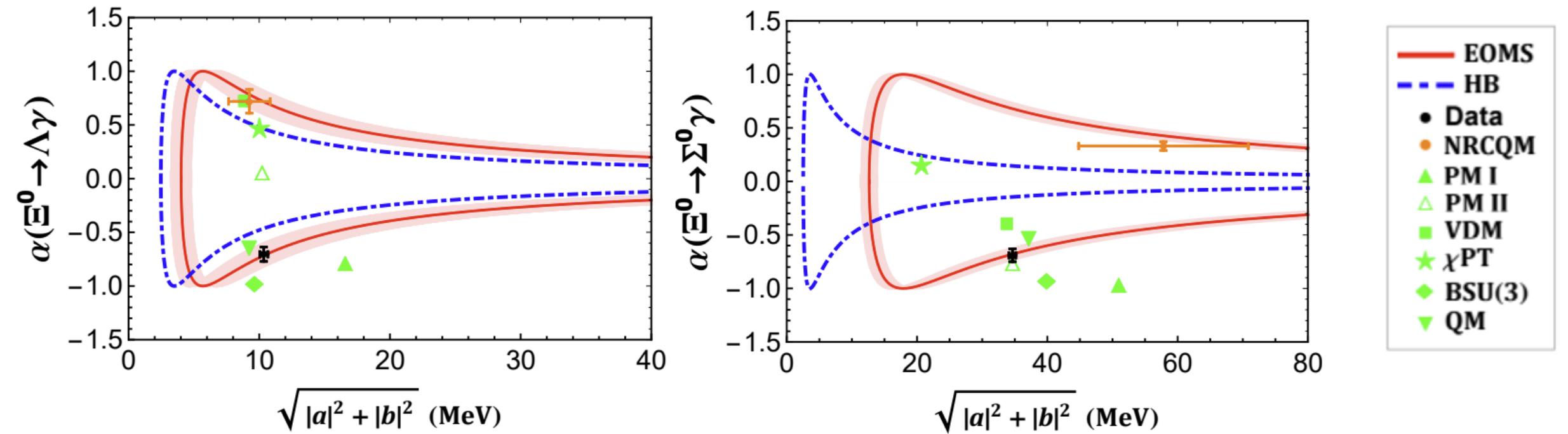


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# $\alpha_\gamma$ of $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Sigma^0 \gamma$ and $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda \gamma$ as a function of $\sqrt{|a|^2 + |b|^2}$



# Hara's theorem

- Based on gauge invariance, CP conservation, and U-spin symmetry
- Hara's theorem dictates that the WRHDs  $B \rightarrow B'\gamma$  and  $B' \rightarrow B\gamma$  must be identical under the U-spin transformation  $s \leftrightarrow d$

$$\mathcal{L}_{B \rightarrow B'\gamma} \propto \bar{B}'(a + b\gamma_5)\sigma^{\mu\nu}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{B' \rightarrow B\gamma} \propto \bar{B}(a - b\gamma_5)\sigma^{\mu\nu}B'F_{\mu\nu}$$

leads to

$b = 0$ , where  $B$  and  $B'$  refer to  $(\Sigma^+, \Xi^-)$  and  $(p, \Sigma^-)$  respectively.

# Branching fractions $\mathcal{B}$ and asymmetry parameters $\alpha_\gamma$ data for WRHDs

Decay modes	$\mathcal{B} \times 10^{-3}$	$\alpha_\gamma$
$\Lambda \rightarrow n\gamma$	0.832(38)(54)	-0.16(10)(50)
$\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p\gamma$	1.23(5)	-0.76(8)
$\Sigma^0 \rightarrow n\gamma$	...	...
$\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\gamma$	1.17(7)	-0.704(19)(64)
$\Xi^0 \rightarrow \Sigma^0\gamma$	3.33(10)	-0.69(6)
$\Xi^- \rightarrow \Sigma^-\gamma$	0.127(23)	1.0(13)