Neutron-Rich Hypernuclei Are Coming. What They Tell Us?

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We continue the discussion of our suggestion presented at FINUSTAR [1]: to explore the potential of hypernuclear spectroscopy [2, 3] for investigation the structure of light nuclei beyond neutron dripline [4].

The hypernuclei ${}^6_{\Lambda}{\rm H}$ and ${}^7_{\Lambda}{\rm He}$ could be obtained in the nearest future [5, 6, 7]. So, it would be possible to compare energy spectra of the chain of four (hyper) nuclei with two neutron "halo" and different s-shell core: ${}^5{\rm H}$, ${}^6_{\Lambda}{\rm H}$, ${}^6{\rm He}$ and ${}^7_{\Lambda}{\rm He}$. Such a unique comparison could shed light on the role of continuum [8, 9] as well as on a limit of three-body model (core+n+n) [10, 11].

The hypernucleus ${}^{8}_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ might be stable also [12]. We expect that in ${}^{6}_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ and ${}^{8}_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ there is a low-lying state 1⁺. So we obtain a chain of three hypernuclei ${}^{4}_{\Lambda}\text{H}$, ${}^{6}_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ and ${}^{8}_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ (N/Z = 2, 4 and 6 respectively) with a similar and very simple ground state doublet. Hypernuclear community has accumulated experience how to extract the $\ell \cdot s$ and tensor components of YN interaction from doublet splitting [13]. We study their isospin dependence.

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