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Suppose a copy of QCD exists parallel to the one we *experience*, which differs only in the numerical values of the quark masses. Further assume the existence of a portal between that and our QCD sector which allows for "communication".

What can we learn from the study of their peculiar nuclei?



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- i) No bound ${}^{4}S_{\frac{3}{2}}$ 3-nucleon state.
- ii) Scattering lengths run non monotonous with m_{π} .





- i) At physical m_{π} , the 3- and 4-nucleon ground states are correlated.
- ii) This correlation is preserved at higher m_{π} .

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Λ	$m_{\pi} = 140 \text{ MeV}$	$m_{\pi} = 510 \text{ MeV}$	$m_{\pi} = 805 \text{ MeV}$
$2 \ \mathrm{fm}^{-1}$	-97.19 ± 0.06	-116.59 ± 0.08	-350.69 ± 0.05
4 fm^{-1}	-92.23 ± 0.14	-137.15 ± 0.15	-362.92 ± 0.07
6 fm^{-1}	-97.51 ± 0.14	-143.84 ± 0.17	-382.17 ± 0.25
8 fm^{-1}	-100.97 ± 0.20	-146.37 ± 0.27	-402.24 ± 0.39
$\rightarrow \infty$	$-115^{\pm 1}_{\pm 8}(sys)_{\pm 8}(stat)$	$-151^{\pm 2}_{\pm 10}(\text{sys})_{\pm 10}$	$-504^{\pm 20}_{\pm 12}(\text{sys})_{\pm 12}$
Exp.	-127.62	9 <u>1</u> 10	

Table 3: ¹⁶O energy for different values of the pion mass m_{π} and the cutoff Λ , compared with experiment. (No LQCD data exist for this nucleus.) See main text and appendix for details on errors and extrapolations.

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¹⁶O stability sensitive to structural features (m_{π} , Λ).

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