

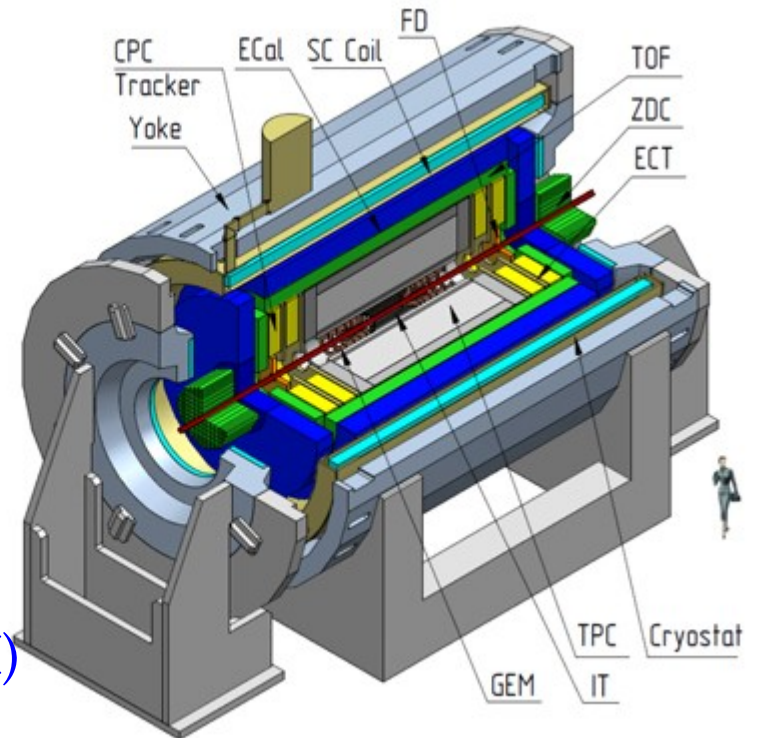


Femtoscscopy in MPD

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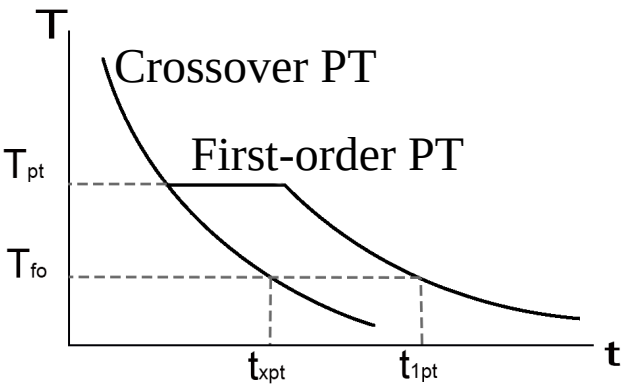
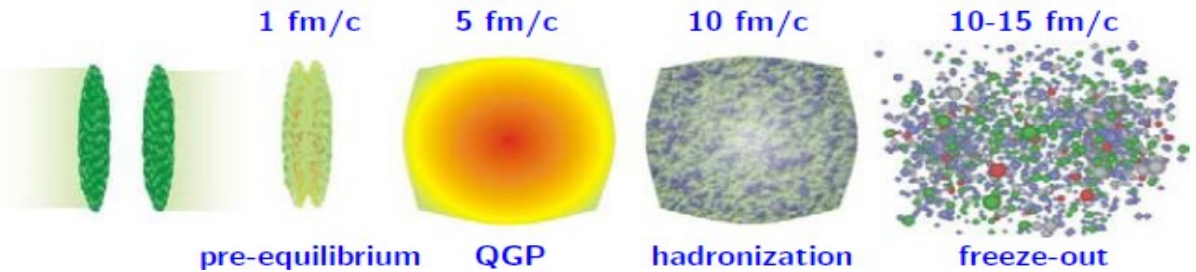


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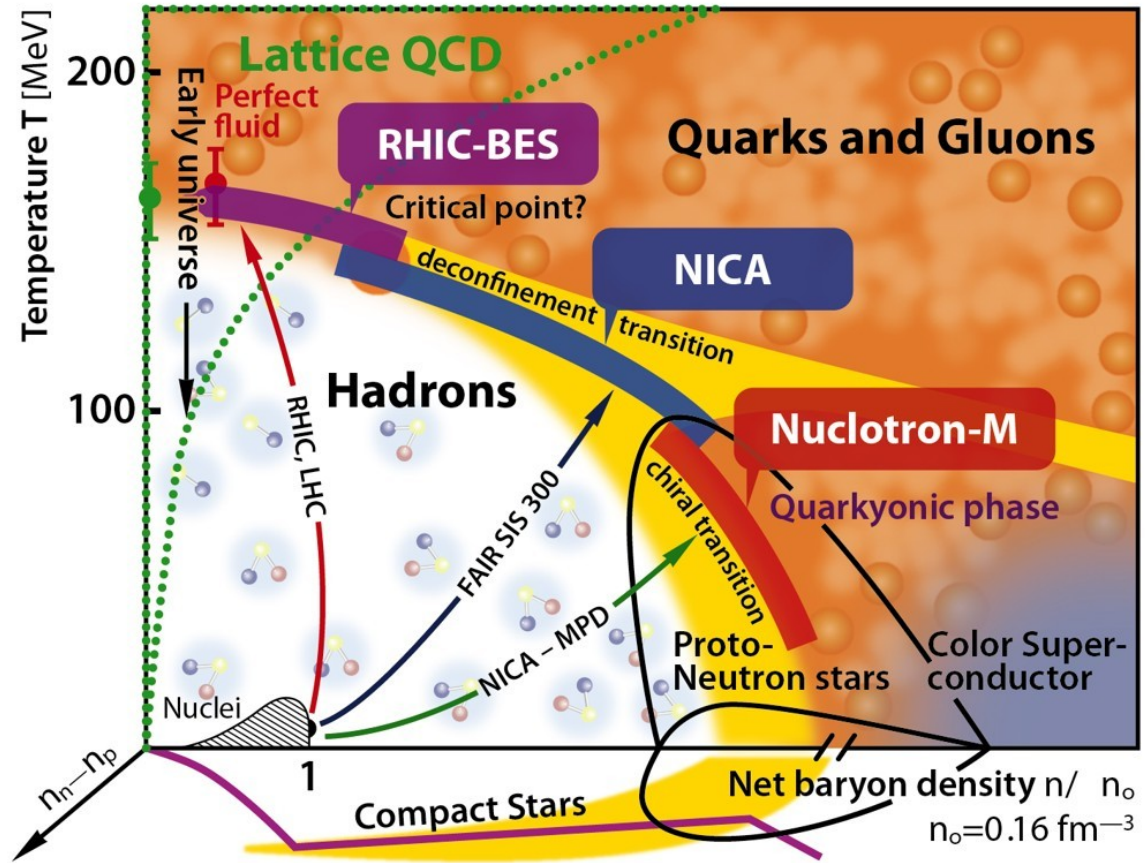
- Femtoscopy & Motivation
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- Momentum resolution studies
- Two-tracks effects studies

Motivation: Phase diagram QCD

- Crossover phase transition (XPT) to QGP occurs at RHIC & LHC energies
- The 1st-order phase transition (1PT) to QGP occurs at lower energies (?)



It is important to extract space-time information -> femtoscopy



- BES RHIC ($\sqrt{s_{NN}}=3-39$ GeV)
- NA61@SPS ($E_{lab}=10-158$ AGeV);
- projects: CBM@FAIR (GSI), MPD and BM@N @ NICA (JINR)

Femtoscscopy

Correlation femtoscopy :

Measurement of space-time characteristics \mathbf{R} , $\mathbf{c\tau}$ of particle production using particle correlations due to the effects of quantum statistics (QS) and final state interactions (FSI)

Two-particle correlation function:

theory:

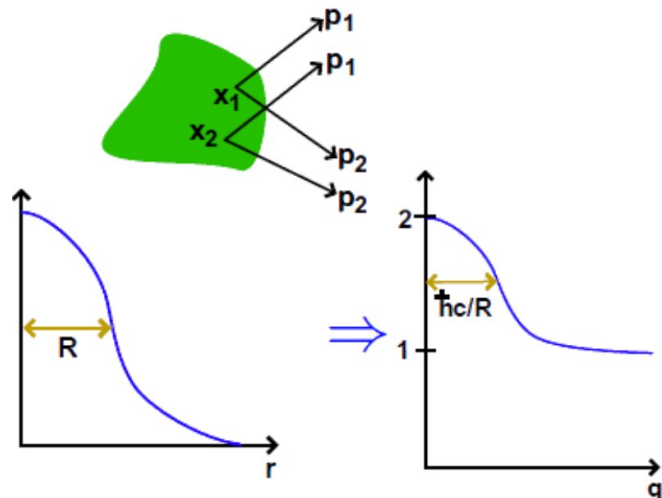
$$C(q) = \frac{N_2(p_1, p_2)}{N_1(p_1) \cdot N_2(p_1)}, C(\infty) = 1$$

experiment:

$$C(q) = \frac{S(q)}{B(q)}, q = p_1 - p_2$$

$S(q)$ – distribution of pair momentum difference from same event

$B(q)$ – reference distribution built by mixing different events



Parametrizations used:

1D CF: $C(q_{inv}) = 1 + \lambda e^{-R^2 q_{inv}^2}$

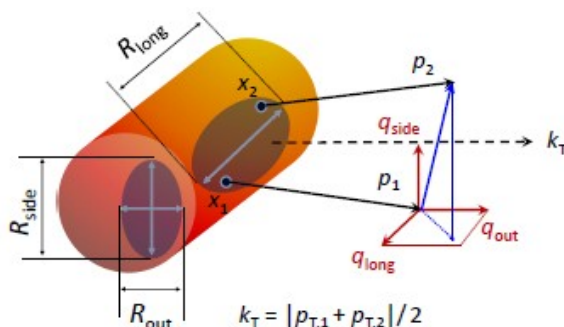
R – Gaussian radius in PRF,

λ – correlation strength parameter

3D CF: $C(q_{out}, q_{side}, q_{long}) = 1 + \lambda e^{-R_{out}^2 q_{out}^2 - R_{side}^2 q_{side}^2 - R_{long}^2 q_{long}^2}$

R and q are in Longitudinally Co-Moving Frame (LCMS)

long || beam; out || transverse pair velocity \mathbf{v}_T ; side normal to out, long



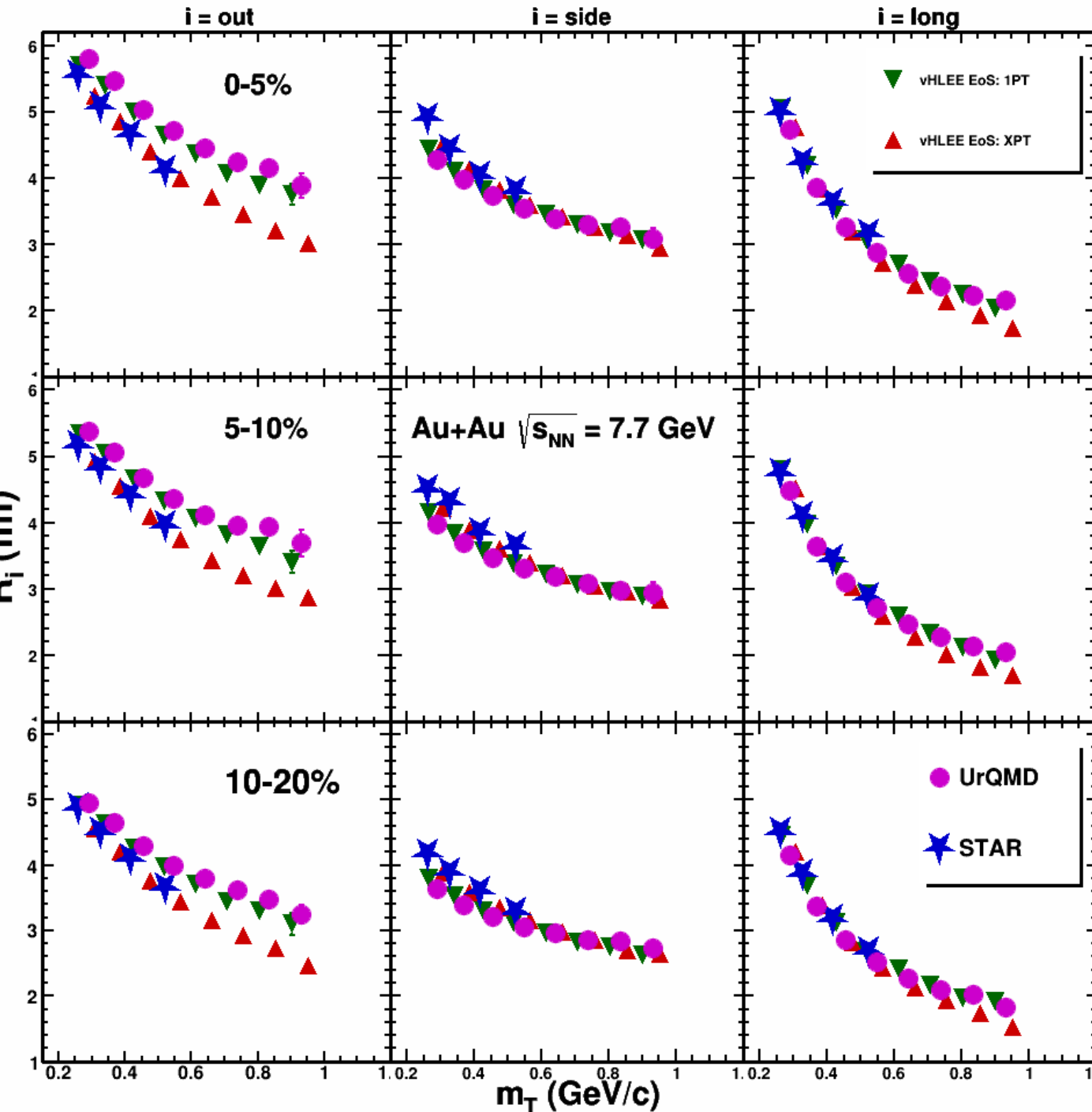
3D analysis:

R_{side} sensitive to geometrical transverse size.

R_{long} sensitive to time of freeze-out.

R_{out} / R_{side} sensitive to emission duration.

Pion radii with the vHLEE and UrQMD models

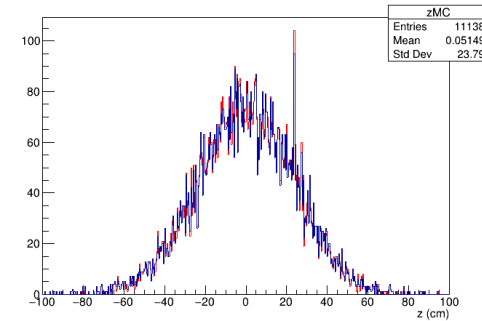
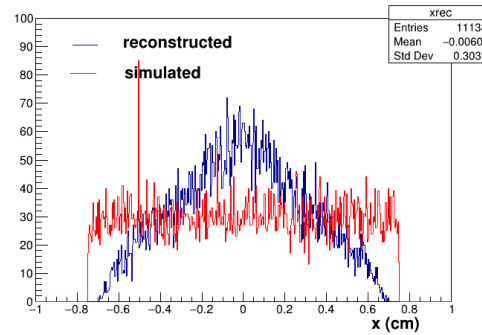


- Au+Au, $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 7.7$ GeV
- It is important to study femtoscopic radii dependence in the broad $k_T(m_T)$ range
- Radii decrease with $m_T \rightarrow$ radial flow
- Increase size with increasing centrality \rightarrow simple geometric picture of collisions
- Cross over EoS describes $R_{out}(m_T)$ better than the 1st-order phase transition
- $R_{out,long}(1PT) > R_{out,long}(XPT)$
- Radii obtained from UrQMD are close to those from vHLEE with the 1PT
- The similar trends are observed for Au+Au $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 11.5$ GeV

Analysis of reconstructed data in MPD

Details of pion analysis

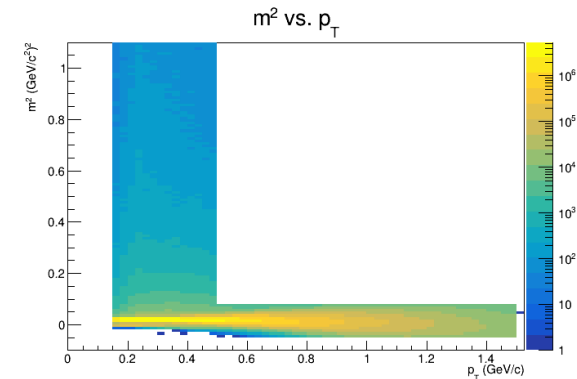
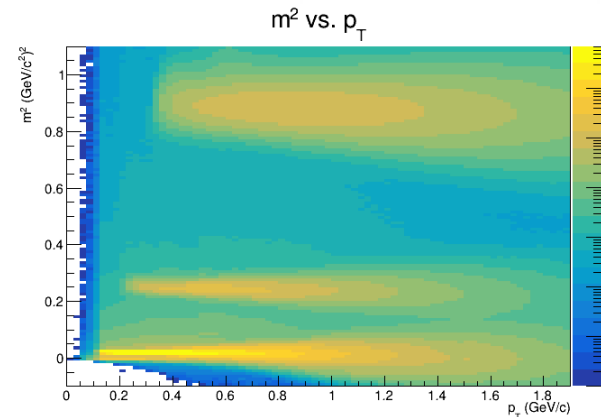
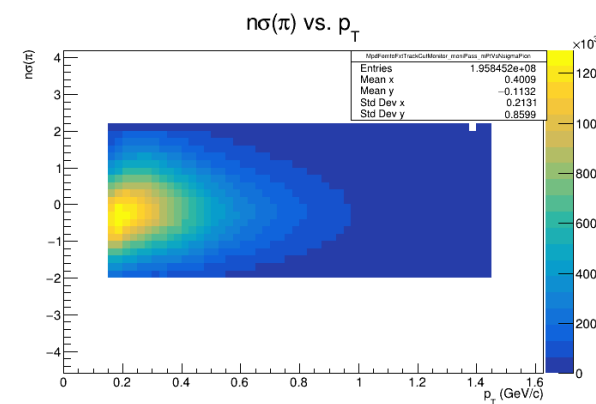
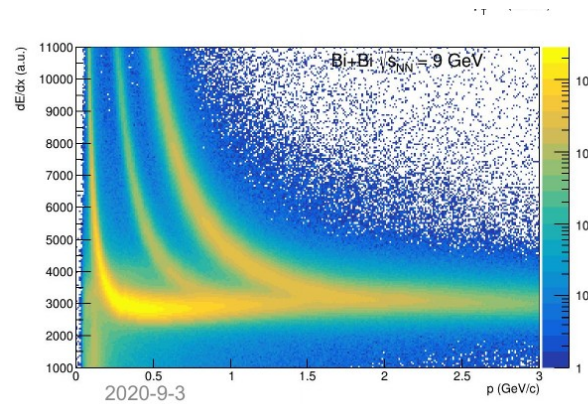
- Dataset (UrQMD → Geant4 → reconstruction) :
Bi+Bi $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 9$ GeV:
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[GeV-mp07-20-pwg3-250ev/BiBi/](#)
[09.0GeV-0-14fm/UrQMD/](#)



- Track Cuts:
 $0.15 < p_T < 1.5$ GeV/c
 $|\eta| < 1.0$
Nhits(TPC) > 15
DCA < 5 cm

- PID
TPC+TOF,
- TOF starts at $p > 0.5$ GeV/c
- Pion nSigma for TPC+TOF identification : (-2., 2.)
 $-0.05 < M^2 < 0.08$ (GeV/c²)

Pions: $2 \cdot 2.0 \cdot 10^8$



Influence of track reconstruction on CF

Track reconstruction influences the shape of CF

• Single-track effects:

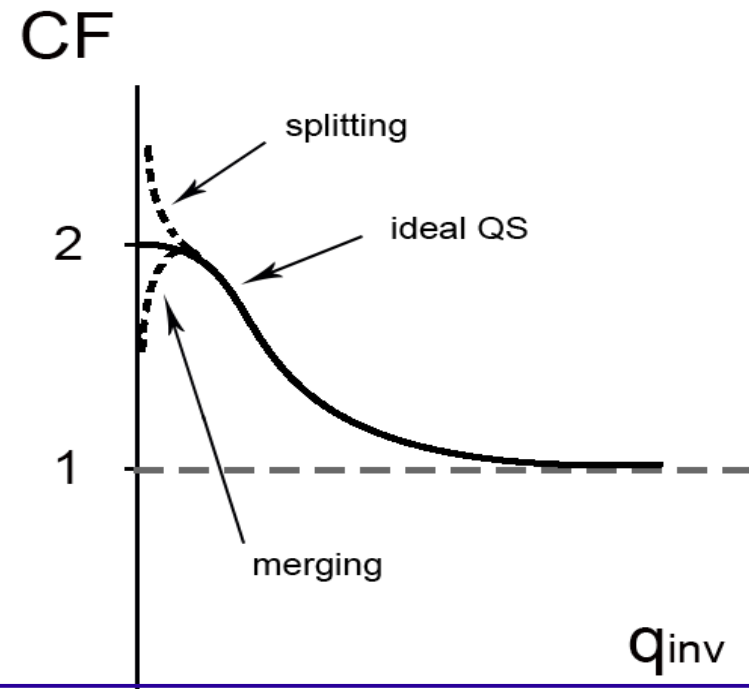
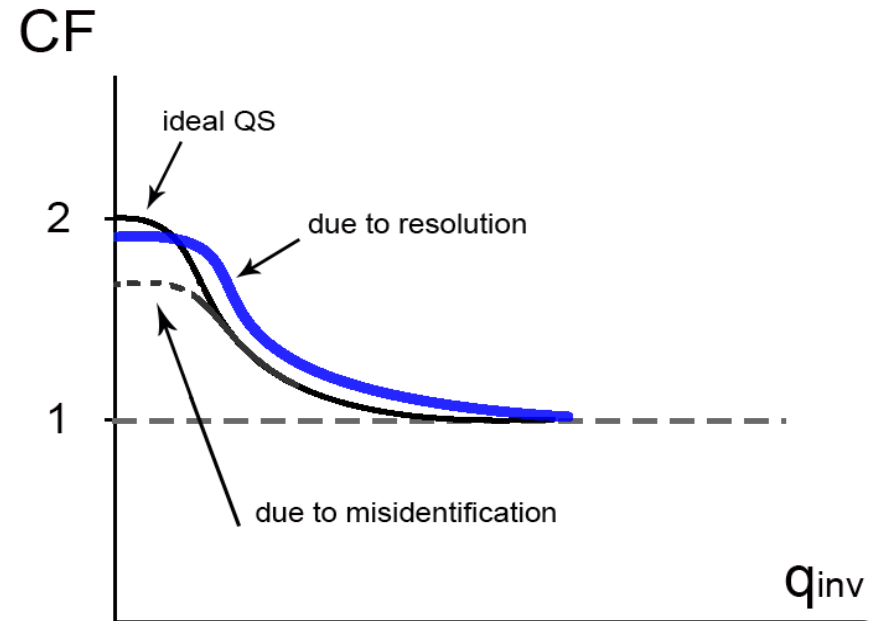
- The momentum resolution effect smears CF, making it wider and extracted radii smaller
- CFs should be corrected for single-track momentum resolution

• Particle misidentification:

- Influences only λ parameter of CF, radii do not change
- CF should be corrected by pair purity. Pair purity is obtained from particle purity

• Two-track effects:

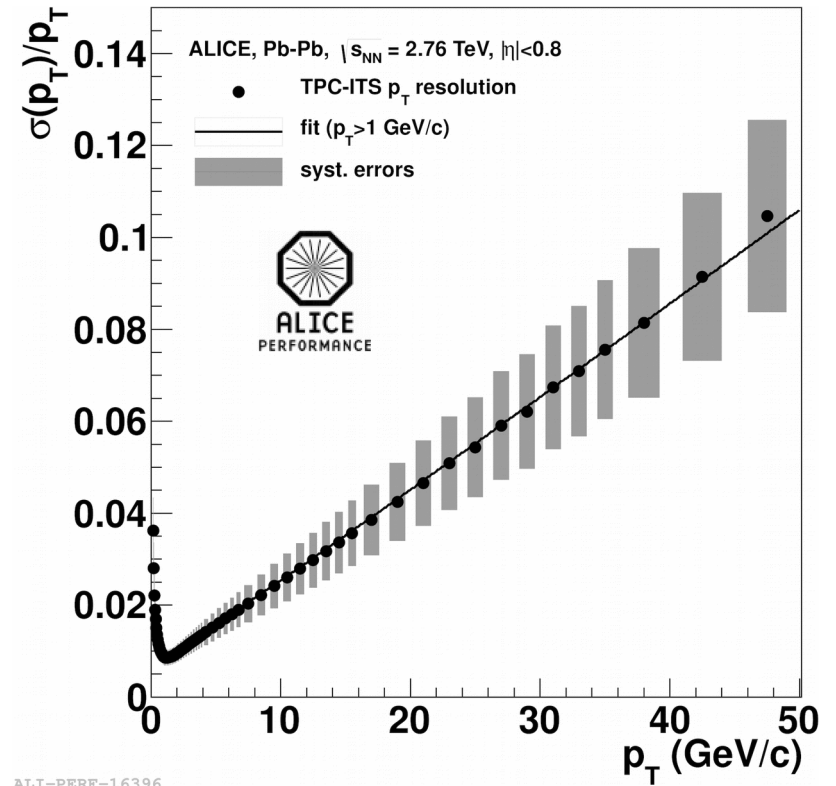
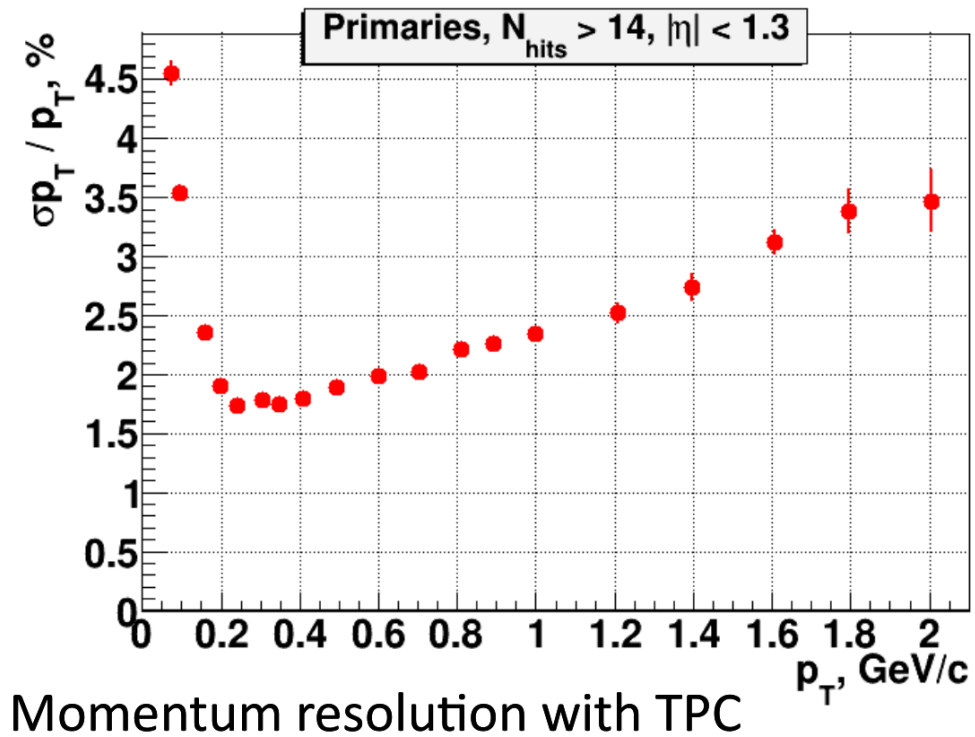
- Track splitting (one track is reconstructed as two)
- Track merging (two tracks are reconstructed as one)
- These effects are studied and the specific pair cuts that will be applied in the femtoscopic analysis



Single-track effects in femtoscopy

- Single-track momentum resolution smears two-particle correlation function

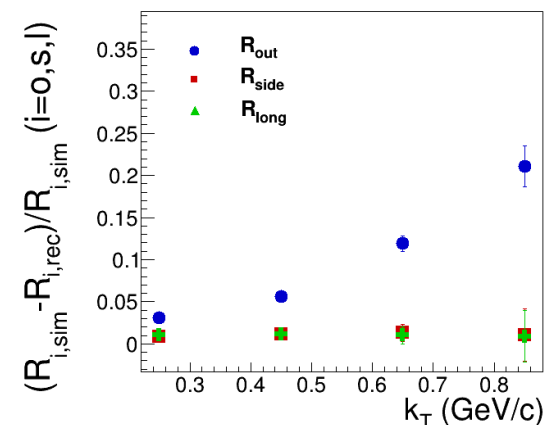
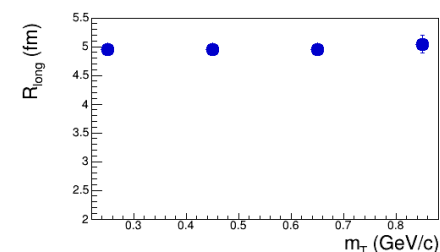
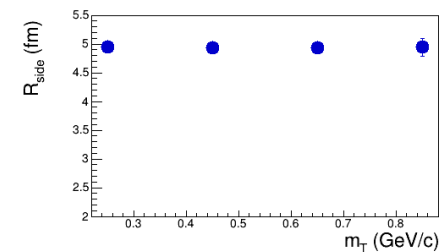
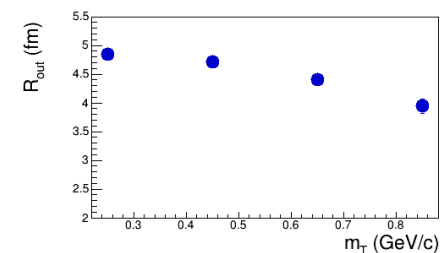
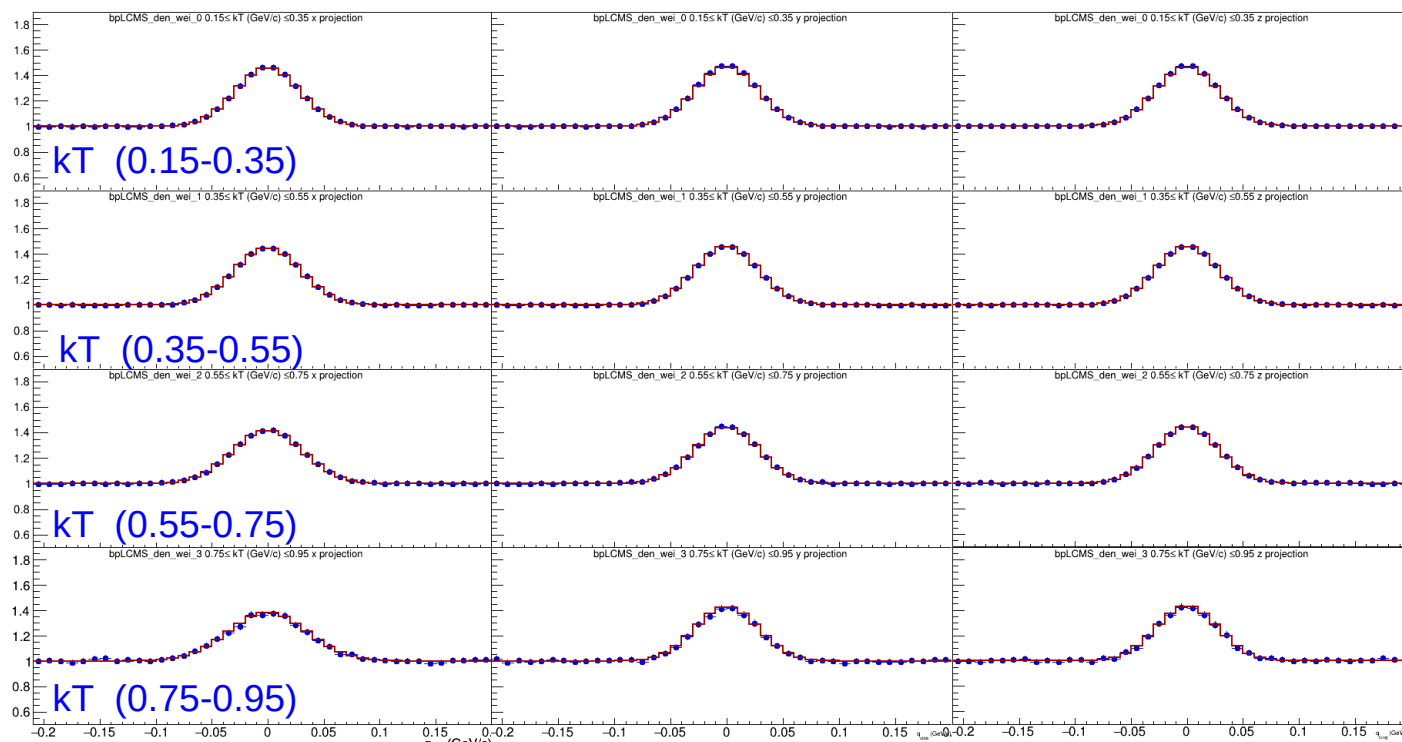
Single-track momentum resolution in MPD



Influence of momentum resolution on 3D CFs in LCMS

3D Gauss in LCMS $R_{o1} = 5 \text{ fm}$; $pdg1=211$ & $pdg2=211$
 k_T (0.15-0.95) GeV/c & 4 k_T bins

$CF = (D_{mixed}, weight=QS) / D_{mixed}$



CFs become wider with increasing k_T

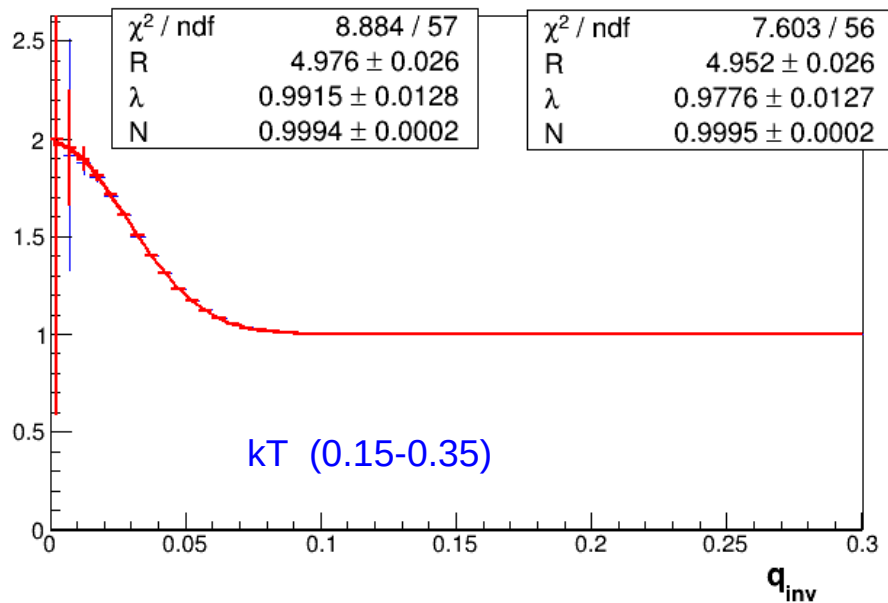
Resolution effect on R_{out} is strong at large k_T

Calculations were performed for each (Ro, Rs, Rl) combination. When projecting on one axis the other two components were required to be within $(-0.04, 0.04)$ GeV/c.

Influence of momentum resolution on 1D/3D CFs

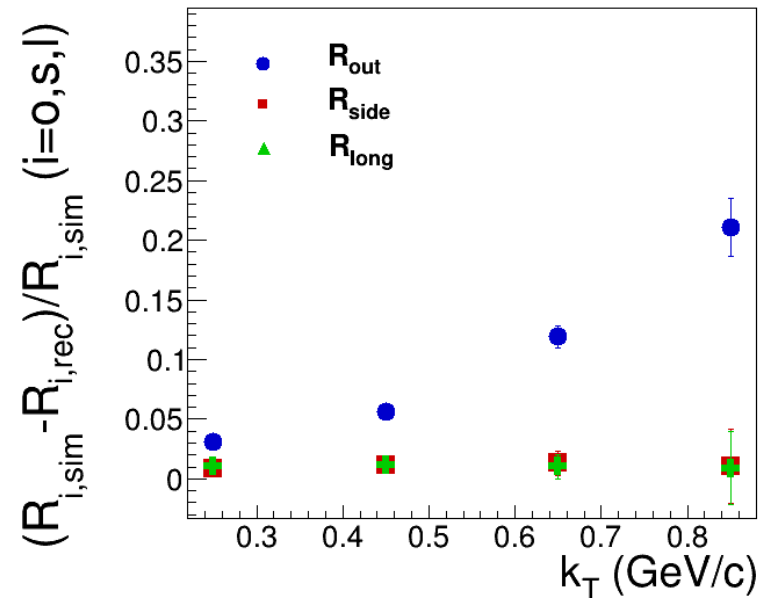
1D Gauss in PRF $R_{inv} = 5$ fm
 k_T (0.15-0.95) GeV/c & 4 k_T bins

$$CF = (D_{mixed}, \text{weight}=QS) / D_{mixed}$$



- Resolution effects for R_{inv} , R_{side} , R_{long} are small
- Resolution effect for R_{out} increases linearly with k_T .
- It is understandable because “out” component depends linearly on p_T
- Similar effect is observed in ALICE data (effect in MPD ~1.5 times worse than in ALICE)

MPD



ALICE TDR

K_t range (MeV/c)	Resolution (r.m.s.) (MeV/c)			
	q_{inv}	q_o	q_s	q_l
$100 < p_t < 300$	0.95	2.70	0.34	0.95
$300 < p_t < 600$	0.99	3.62	0.40	1.12
$p_t > 600$	1.17	6.33	0.62	1.42

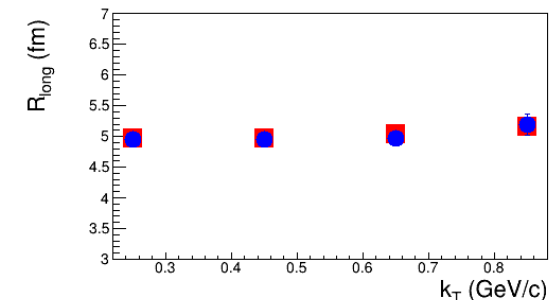
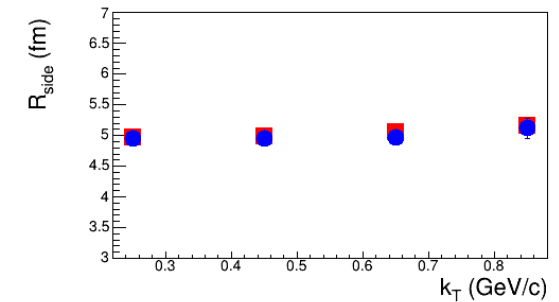
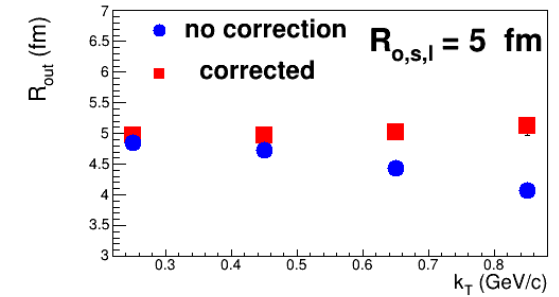
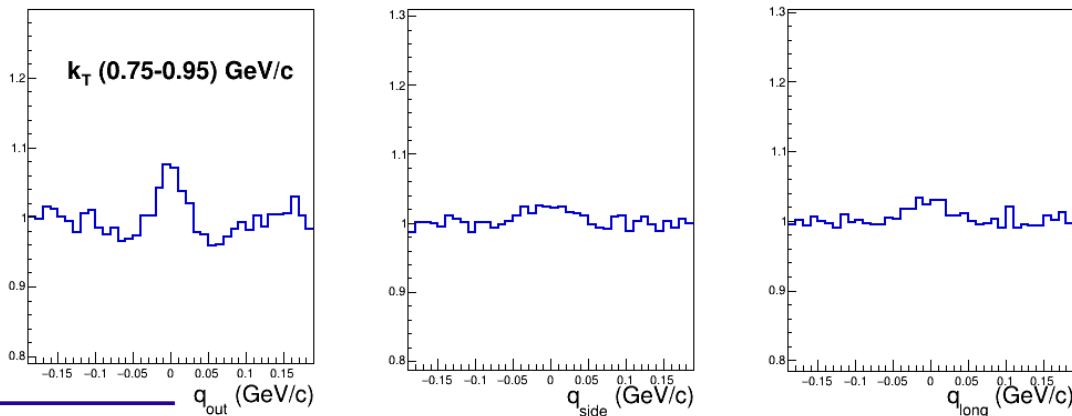
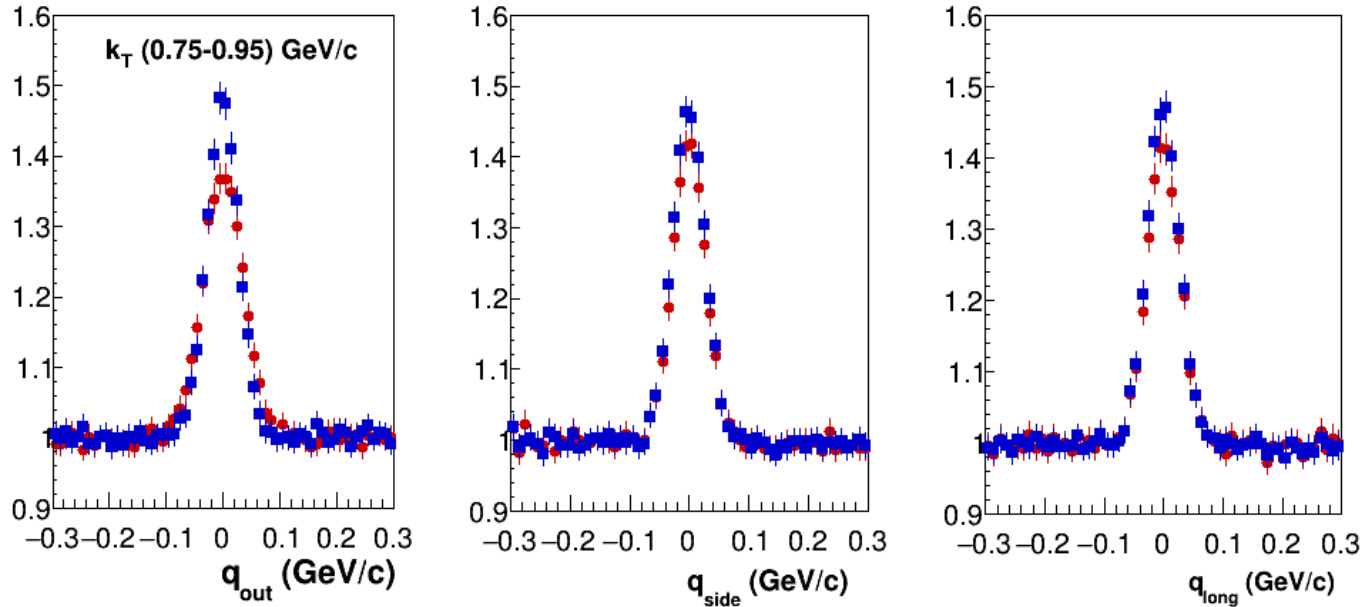
(a)

Momentum resolution correction for 3D CFs in LCMS

3D Gauss in LCMS $R_{osl} = 5 \text{ fm}$; $CF = (D_{mixed}, \text{weight}=QS) / D_{mixed}$

Correction factor (q_{osl}) = $CF(q_{osl} \text{ simulated}) / CF(q_{osl} \text{ reconstructed})$

Example k_T (0.75-0.95) GeV/c



Resolution effect on R_{out} is strong at large k_T , but it is possible to correct CFs by momentum resolution

Two-track effects in femtoscopy

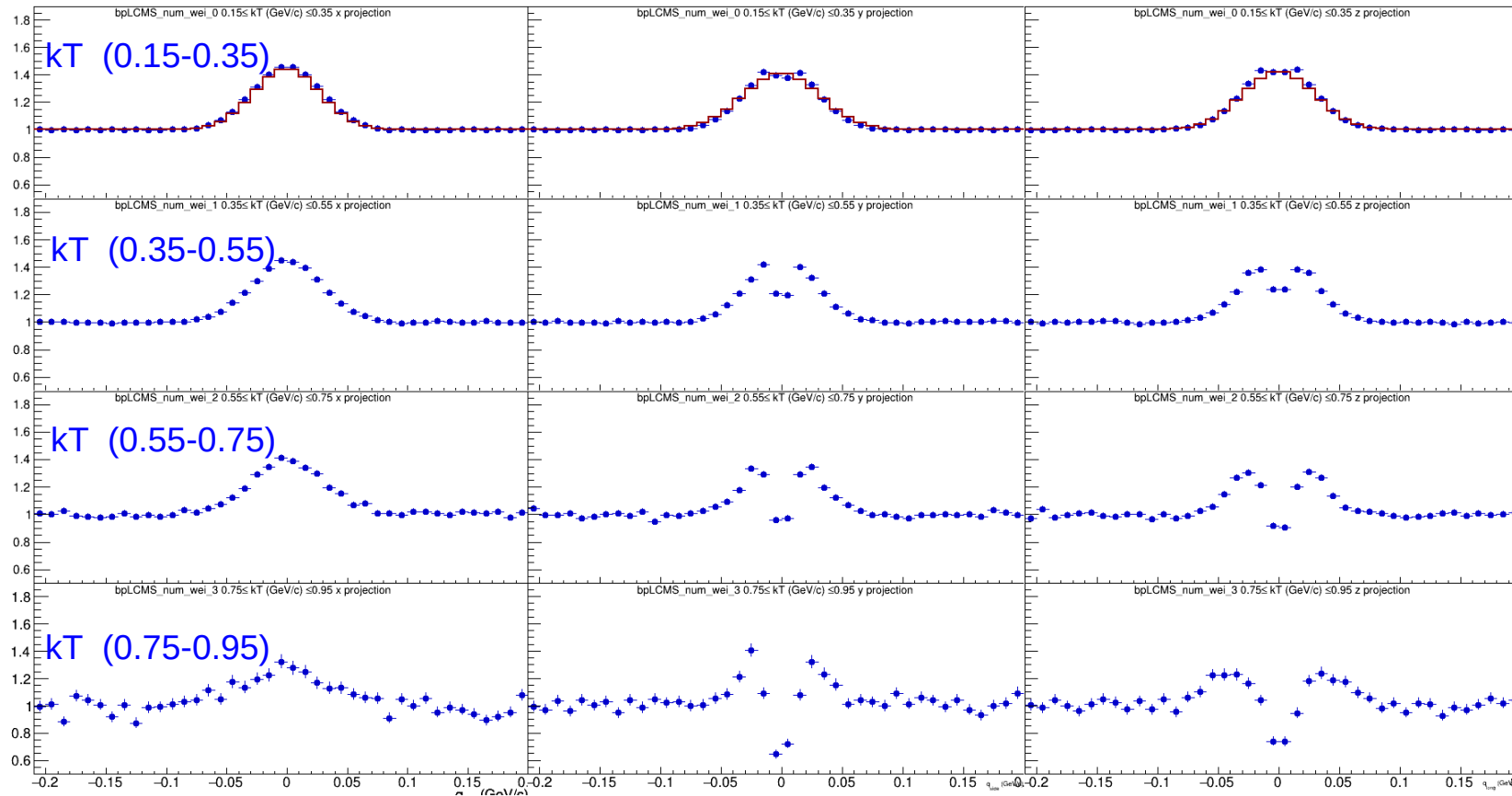
- *Track merging (two tracks are reconstructed as one)*
- *Track splitting (one track is reconstructed as two)*

Two-track effects study 3D CF in LCMS: No TTC

TTC – two-track cuts

Gauss in LCMS : $R_{\text{osl}} = 5 \text{ fm}$

k_T (0.15-0.95) GeV/c & 4 k_T bins – $\text{CF} = (\text{N}_{\text{same, weight=QS}}) / \text{D}_{\text{mixed}}$

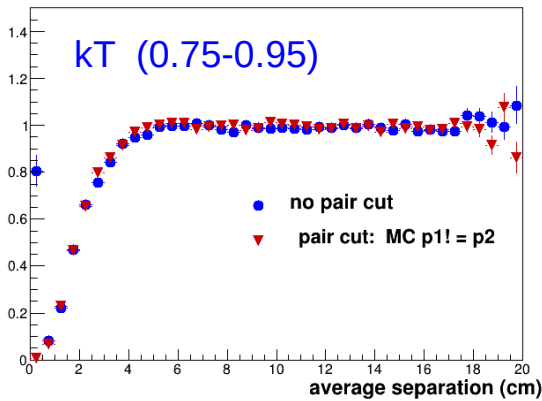
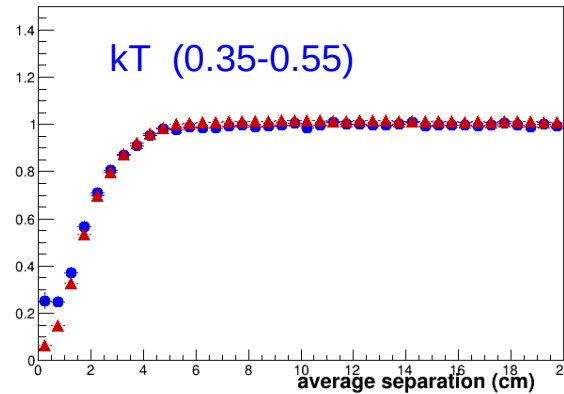
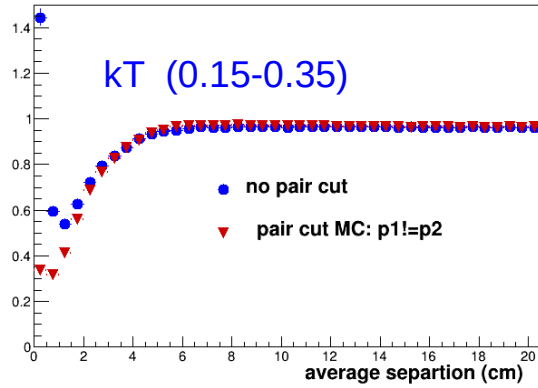


Projections of the three-dimensional $\pi\pi$ -correlation functions. When projecting on one axis the other two components were required to be within $(-0.04, 0.04)$ GeV/c.

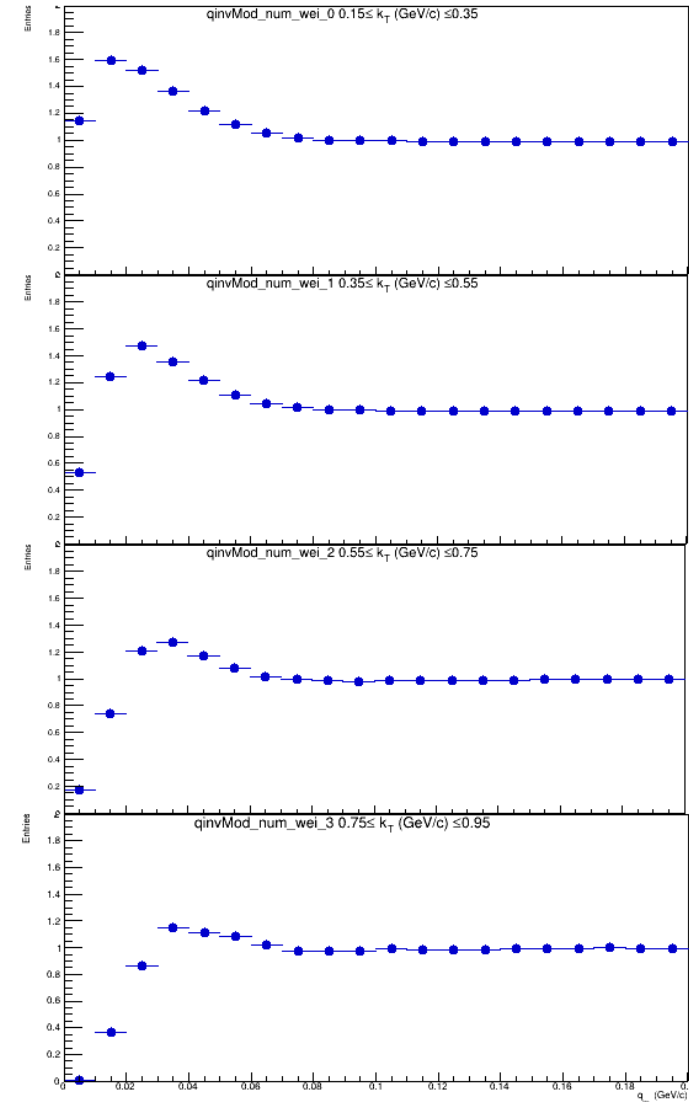
Strong “merging-like” effect increases with k_T

No TTC: average separation CF & CF(q_{inv})

CF = Nsame/ Dmixed



- Combination of two effects: track splitting at small av. separation bins and track merging
- Detailed study of split tracks has shown: 1) doublets of tracks with same id, same pMC and prec 2) one MC track is reconstructed as two (usual splitting)
- If both reasons are excluded by **artificial cut MC: p1!=p2** splitting disappears (red triangles).

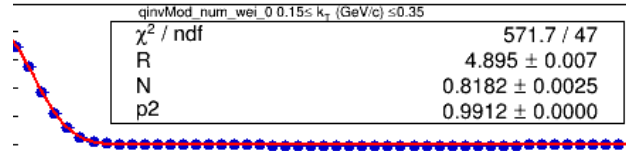
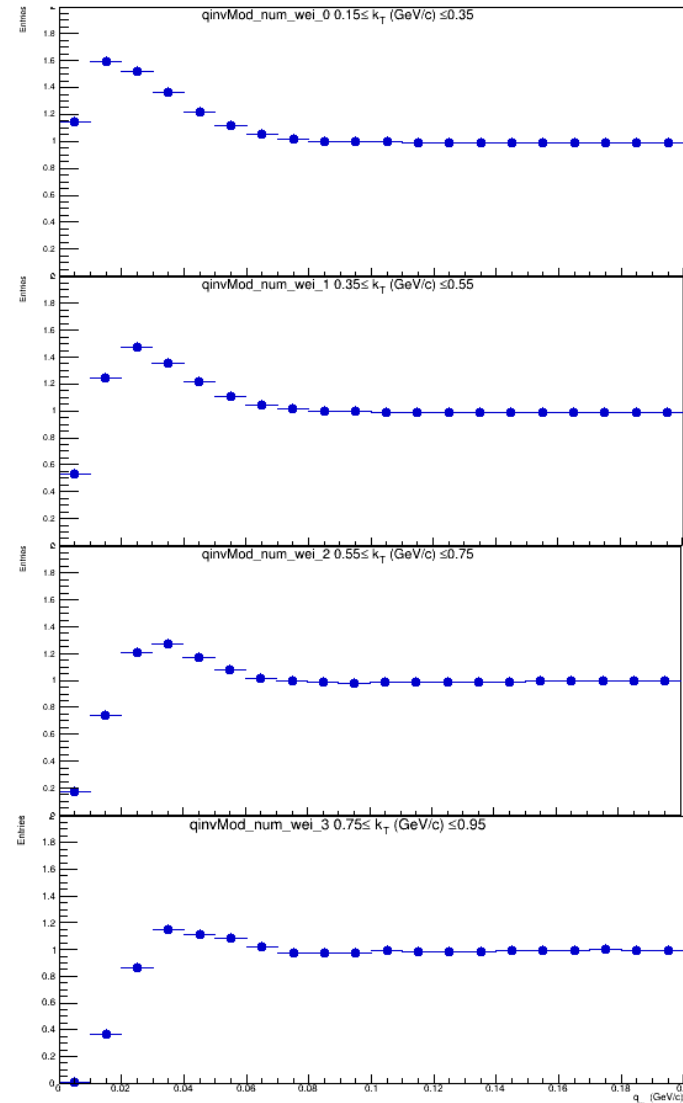


- Looks like the same average separation cut (>6 cm) can be applied for all k_T intervals
- The deep in CF due to the track-merging effect increases with k_T
- **Influence of the track-merging effect is extremely strong (especially at $k_T > 0.55$ GeV/c)**

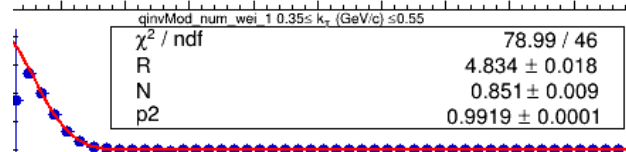
CF(q_{inv}) with two-track spatial average separation cut

Average separation > 6 cm
Gauss in PRF R_{inv} = 5 fm

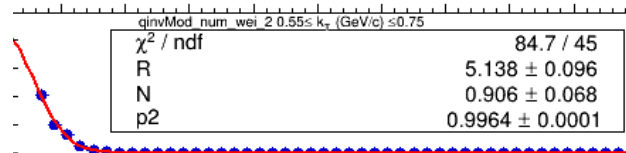
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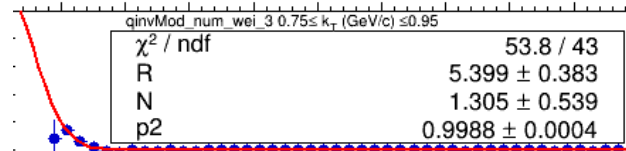
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kT (0.55-0.75)



kT (0.75-0.95)

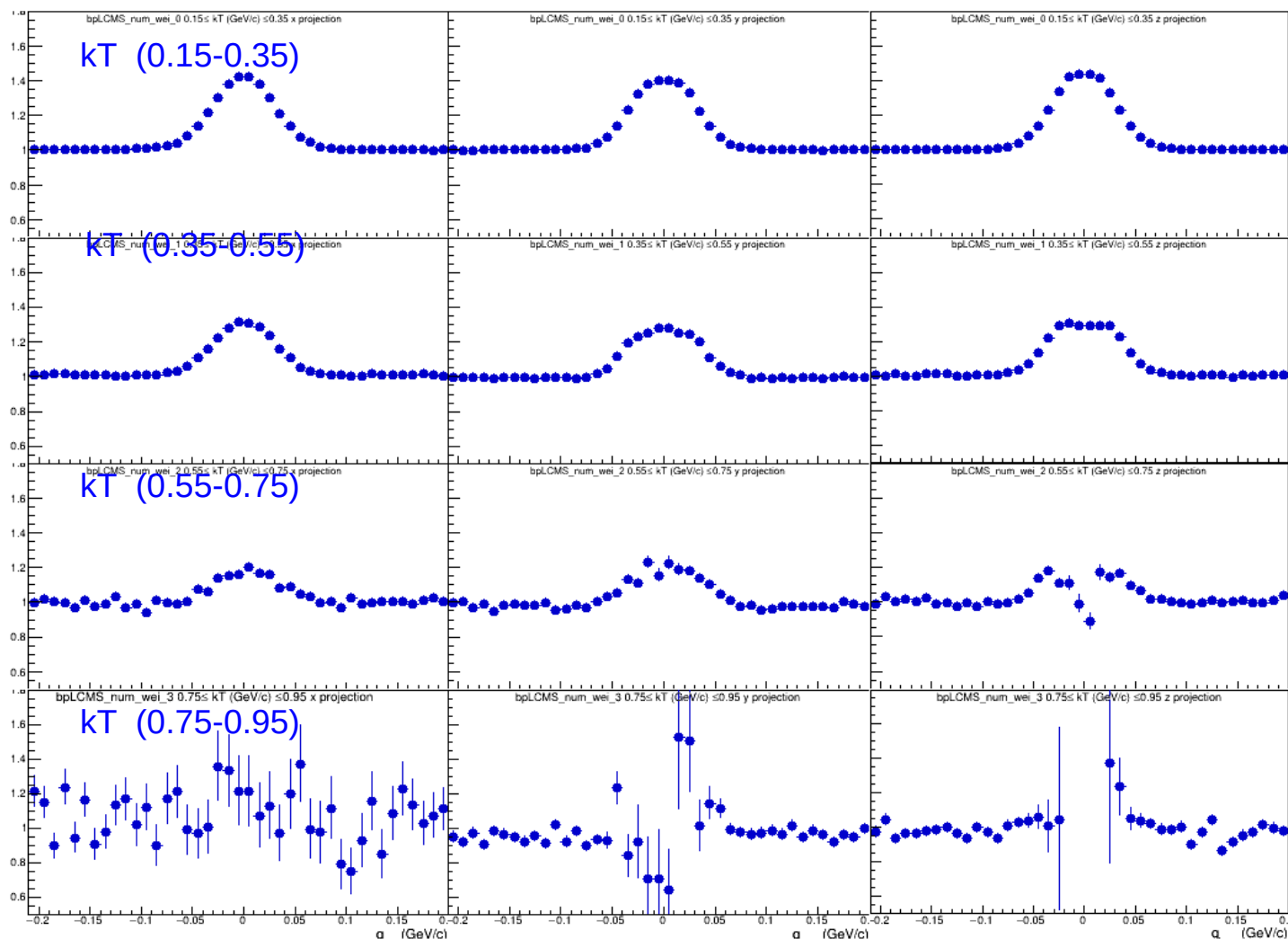
- Average separation cut significantly removes pairs at small q_{inv} especially at $k_T > 0.55$ GeV/c
- Complicates the 1D analysis

3D CF in LCMS: two-track average separation cut

Average separation > 6 cm

Gauss in LCMS : $R_{\text{osl}} = 5$ fm

kT (0.15-0.95) GeV/c & 4 kT bins – $CF = (N_{\text{same, weight=QS}}) / D_{\text{mixed}}$

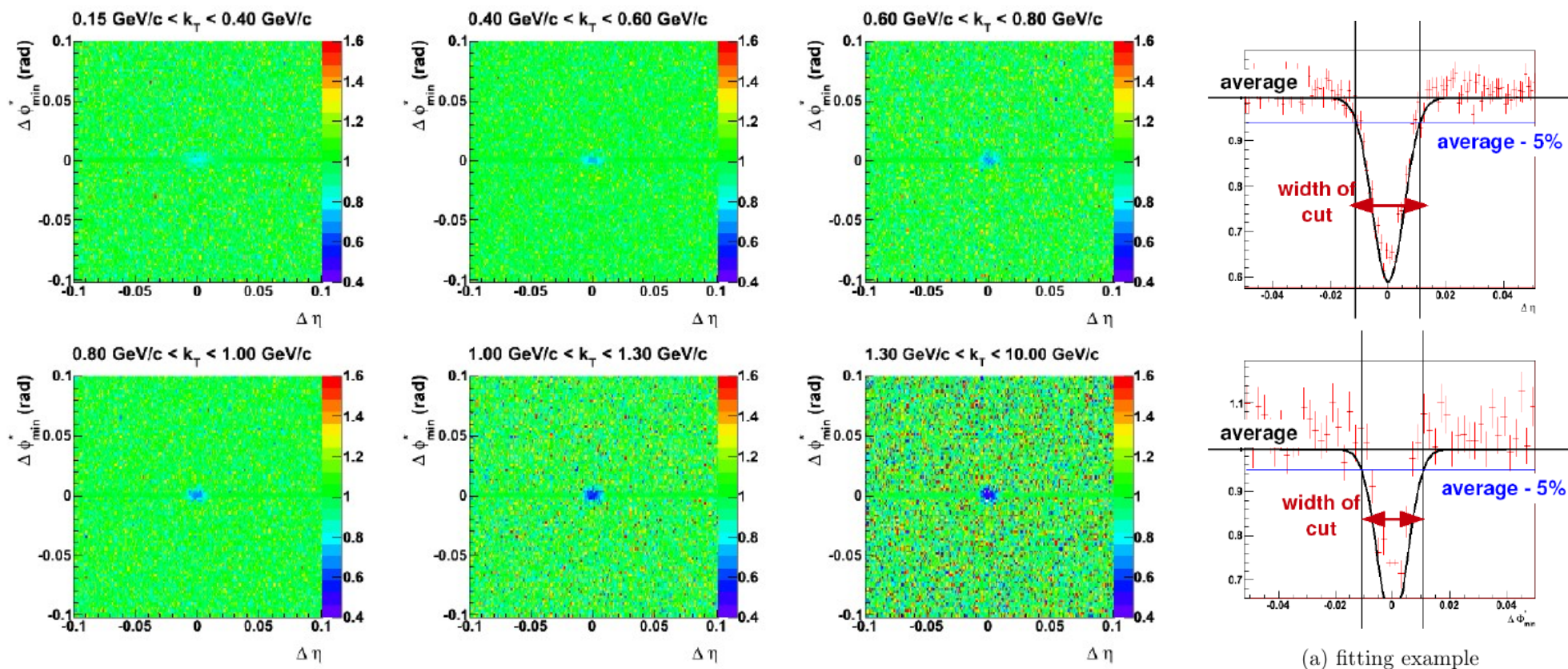


● Average separation cut significantly removes pairs at small q_{inv} especially at $k_T > 0.55$ GeV/c

● Even for kT(0.35, 0.55) GeV/c the shape of CF is strongly deformed

ALICE $\Delta\eta\Delta\phi^*$ min – distributions

Diploma Thesis, “Azimuthally Sensitive Hanbury Brown–Twiss Interferometry measured with the ALICE Experiment”, J.L. Gramling CERN-THESIS-2012-08813/12/20



(a) fitting example

Fig. 7: Two-dimensional ratio in $\Delta\eta$ and $\Delta\phi^*_{min,TPC}$, with the minimum in $\Delta\phi^*$ determined inside the TPC, TPC-only tracks.

No TTC : $\Delta\eta\Delta\phi^*$ distributions (TPC+TOF $p>0.5\text{GeV}/c$)

$\Delta\eta\text{-}\Delta\phi^*$ with MPD reconstructed tracks

$$\Delta\phi^* = \phi_1 - \phi_2 + \arcsin\left(\frac{z \cdot e \cdot B_z \cdot R}{2p_{T1}}\right) - \arcsin\left(\frac{z \cdot e \cdot B_z \cdot R}{2p_{T2}}\right)$$

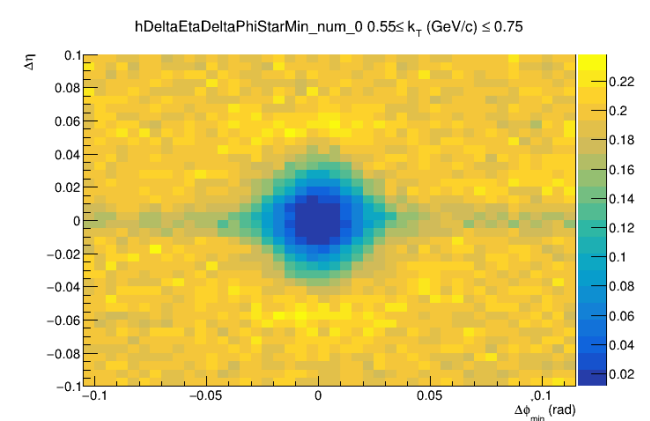
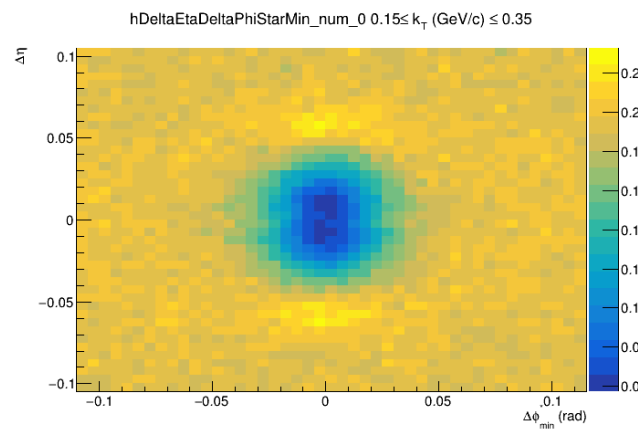
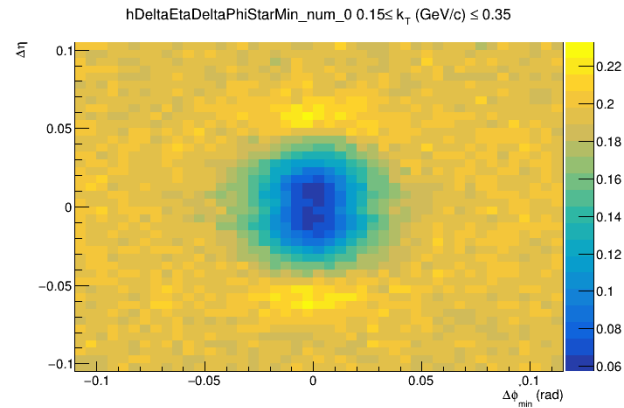
R is a given cylindrical radius

$\phi_{1,2}$ are azimuthal angles of track at reconstructed vertex

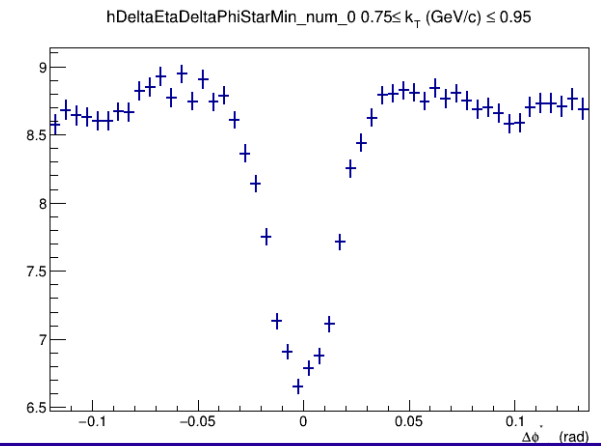
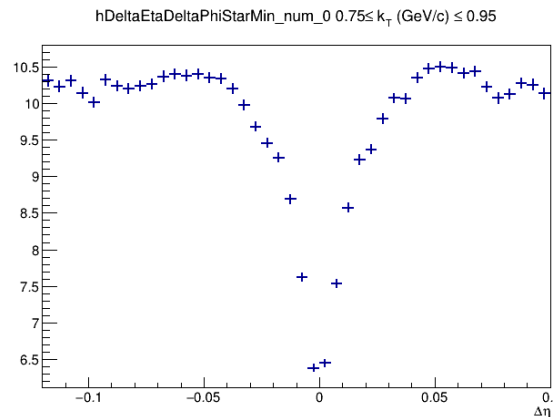
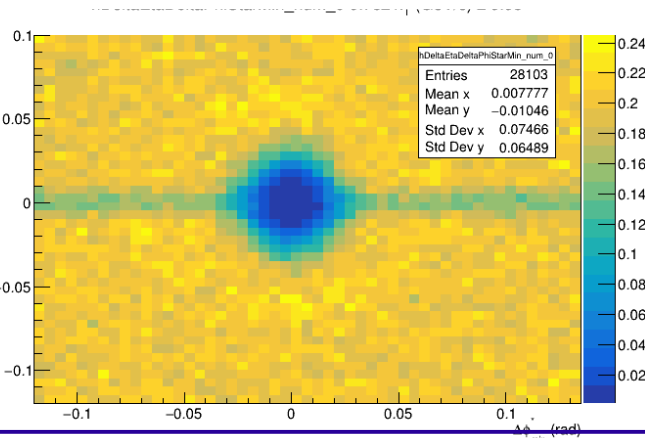
kT (0.15-0.35) GeV/c, R=0.65 m

kT (0.15-0.35) GeV/c

kT (0.55-0.75) GeV/c



kT (0.75-0.95) GeV/c



No TTC : $\Delta\eta\Delta\phi^*$ distributions (TPC+pdg)

$\Delta\eta\text{-}\Delta\phi^*$ with MPD reconstructed tracks

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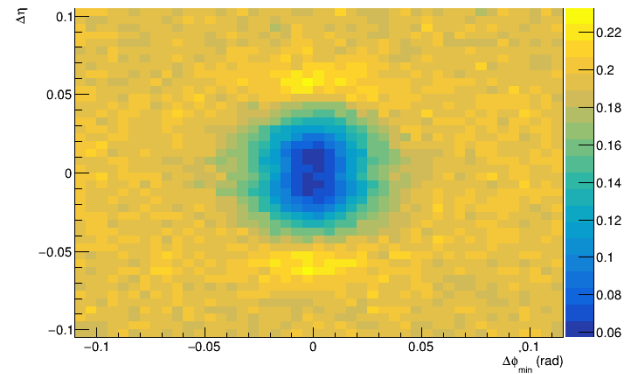
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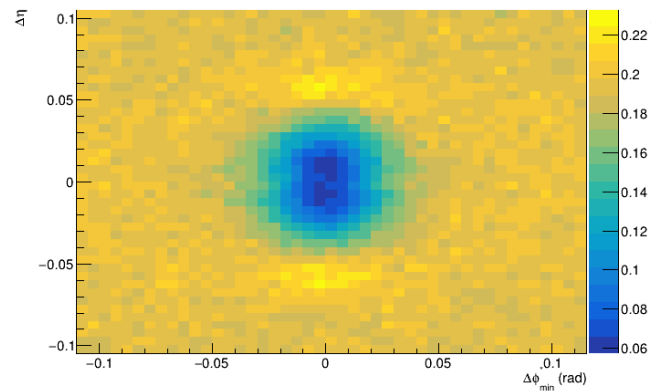
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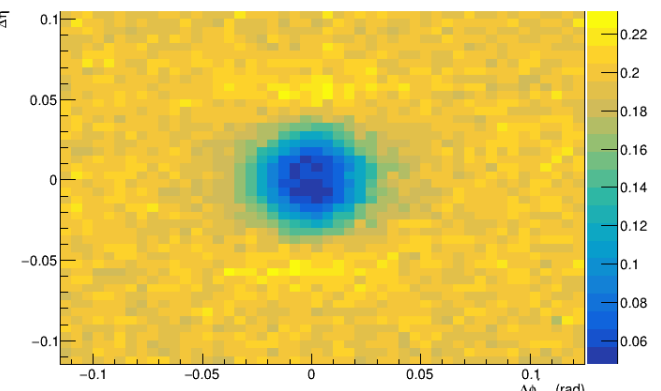
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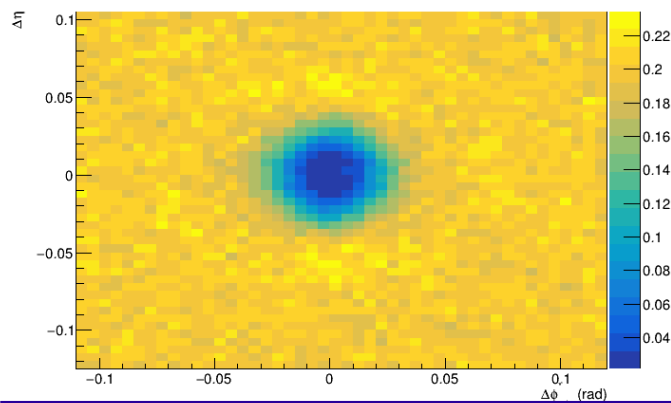


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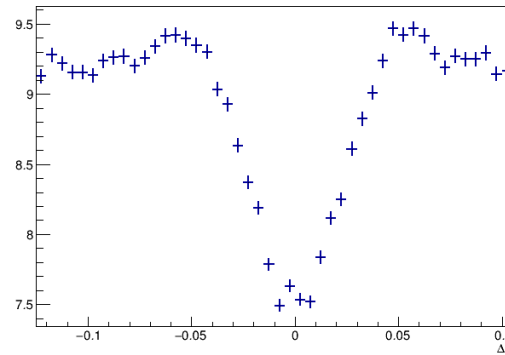


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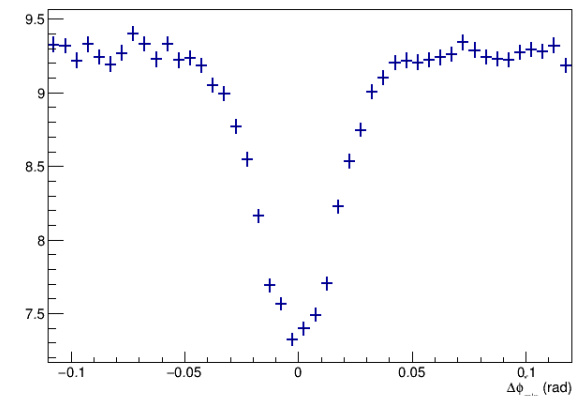
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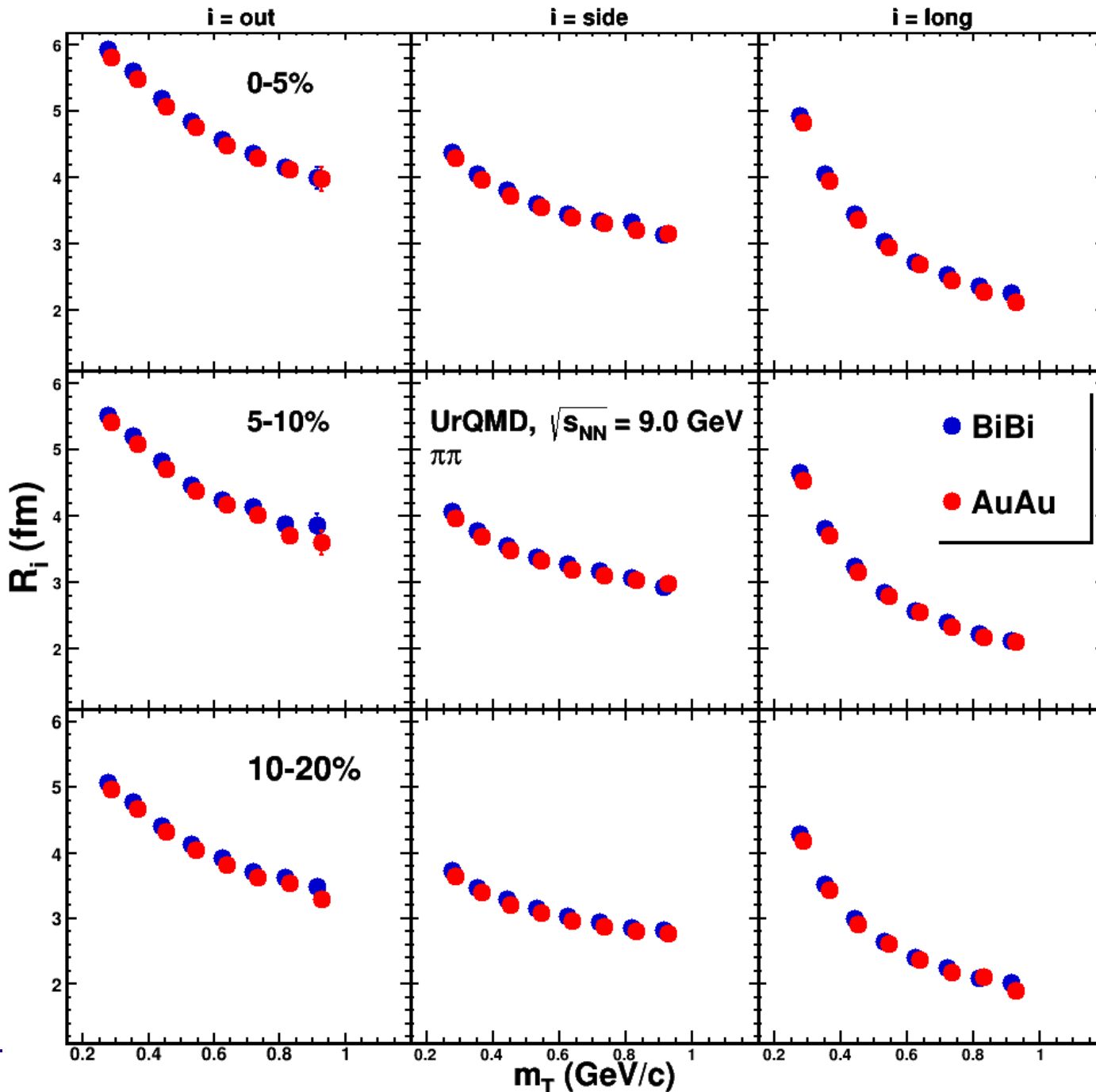


Conclusions

- Single-track momentum resolution:
 - Influence on the femtosopic correlation function depends on pair transverse momentum
 - Strong influence on outward component, R_{out} (sensitive to the extraction of the particle emission duration)
 - Effect is strong but can be corrected for
- One track is reconstructed as two (track splitting):
 - Observed at small relative momentum
 - Large effect but can be taken into account using developed two-track selection criteria
- Two tracks reconstructed as one (track merging):
 - Strong effect
 - Two independent methods (two-track spatial and angular separations) show same results
 - Depends on k_T of the pair
 - Makes impossible to study femtosopic correlation for pions at $k_T > 0.55$ GeV/c
- Odd reconstruction of the primary vertex position in x and y directions
- Communication with tracking group is necessary
- Tracking improvement is needed

Additional slides

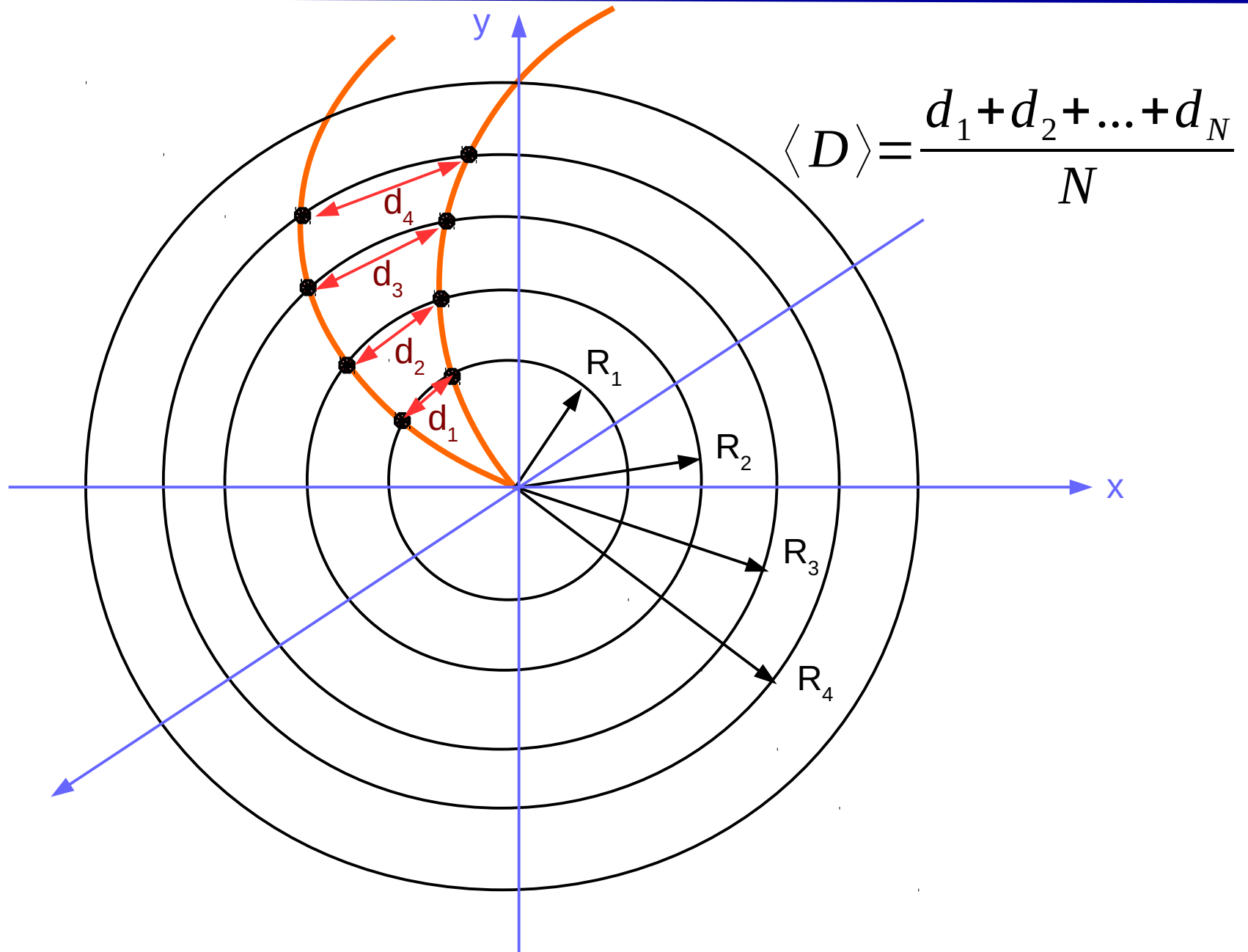
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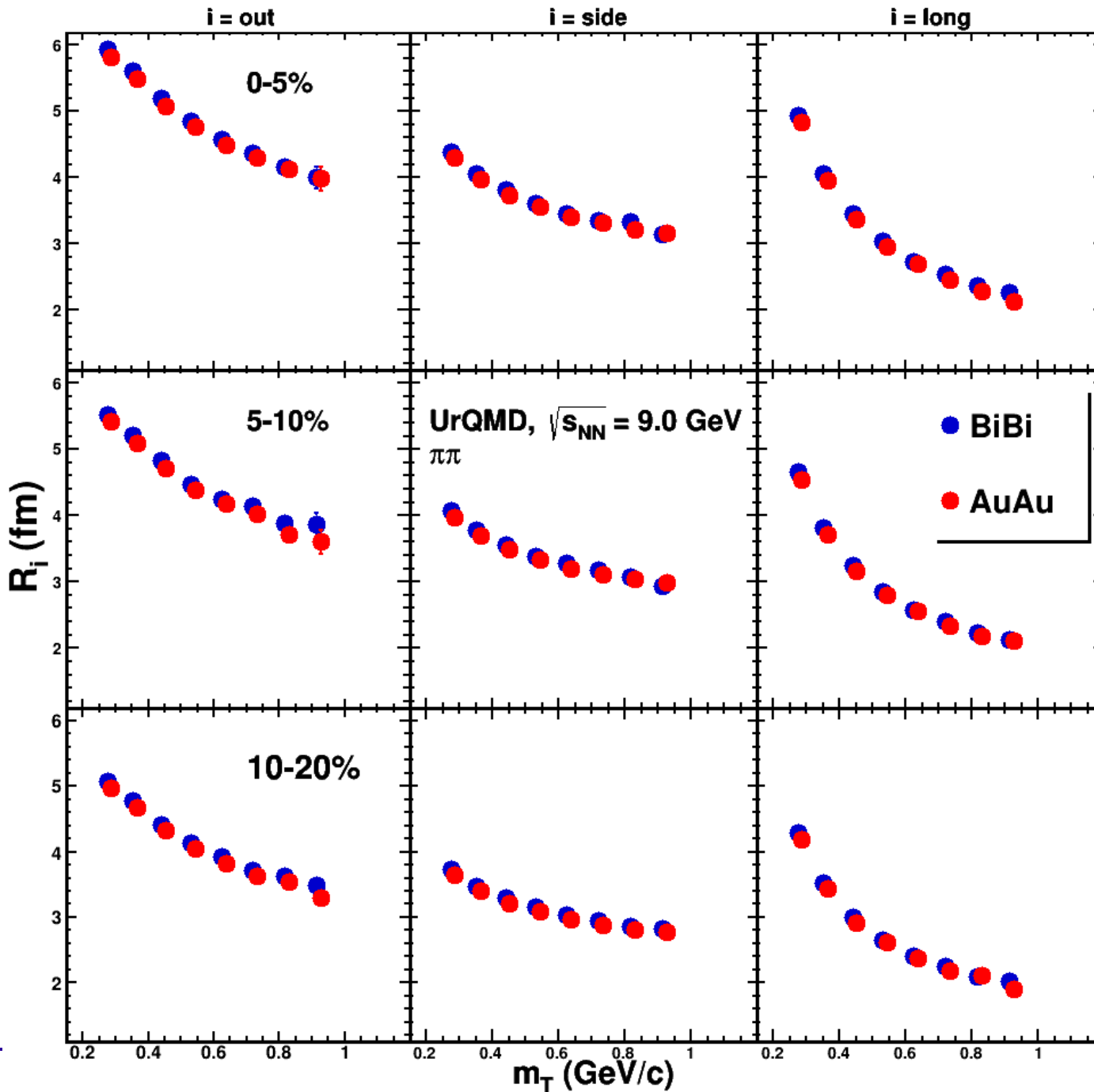
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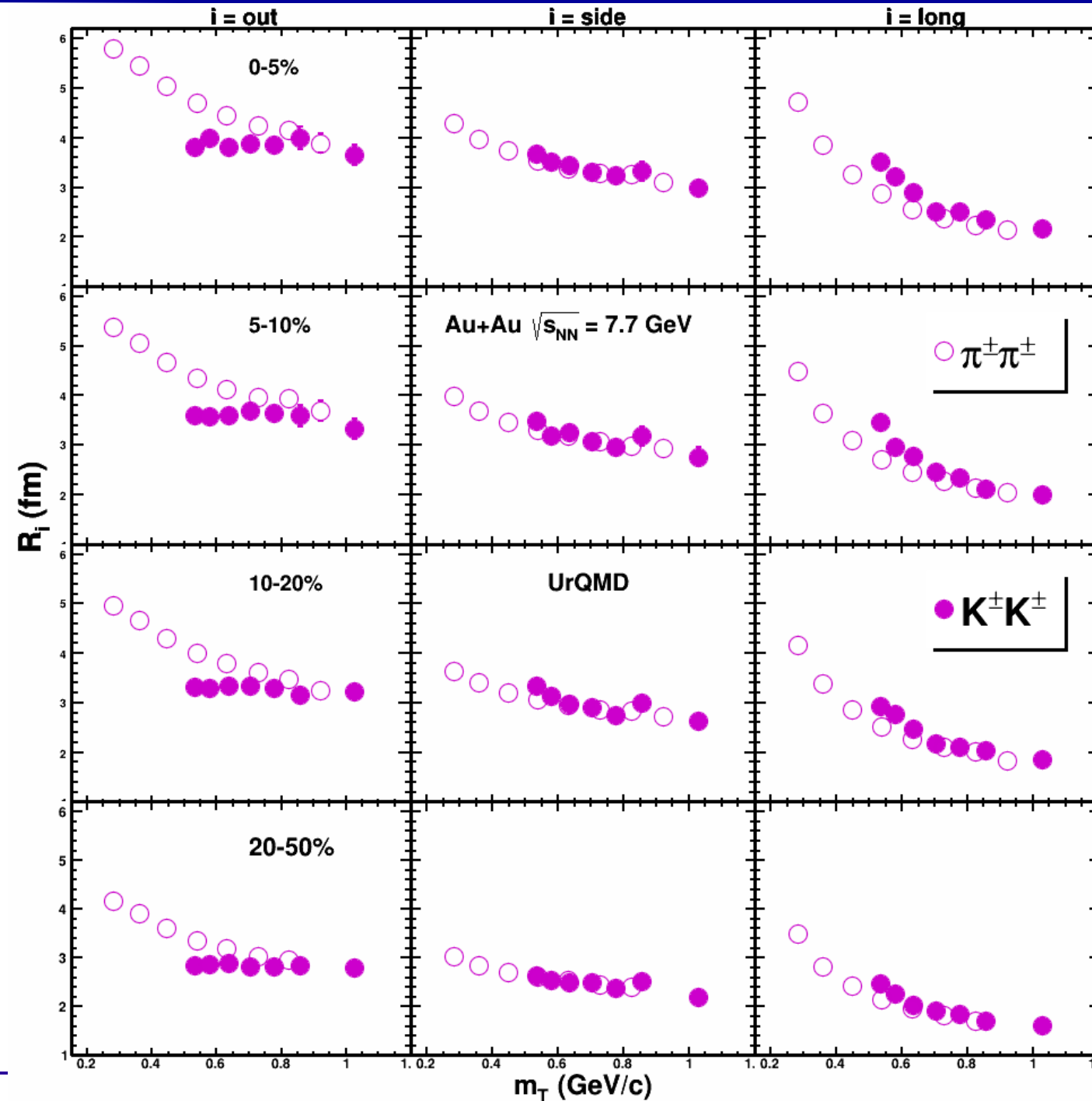
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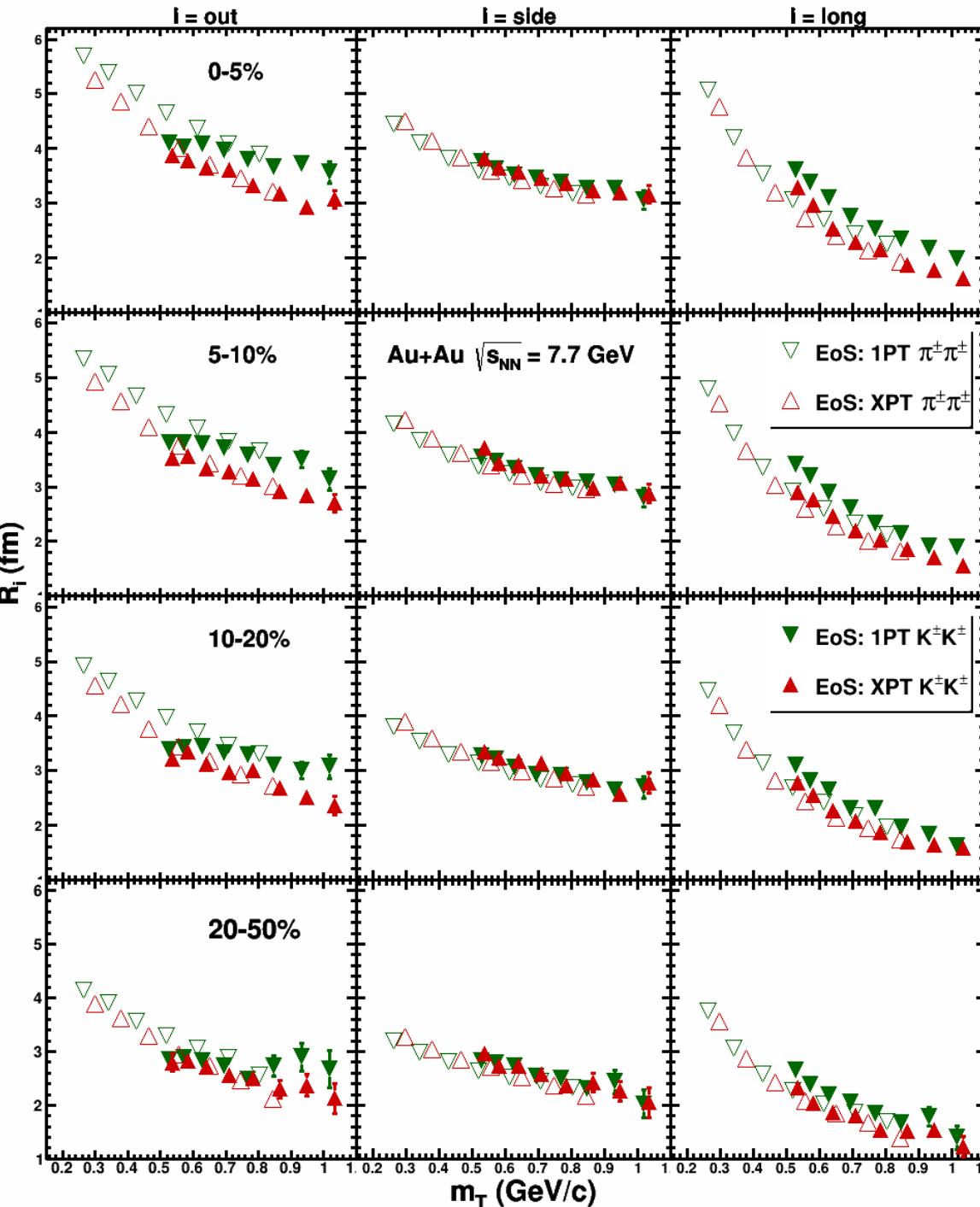
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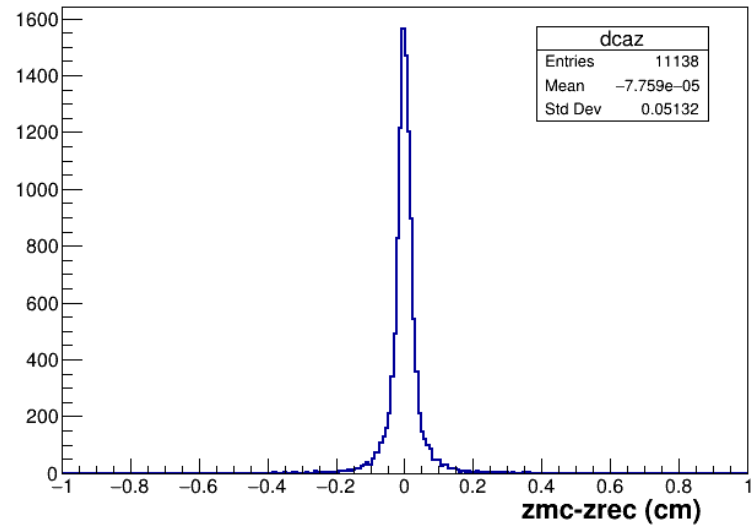
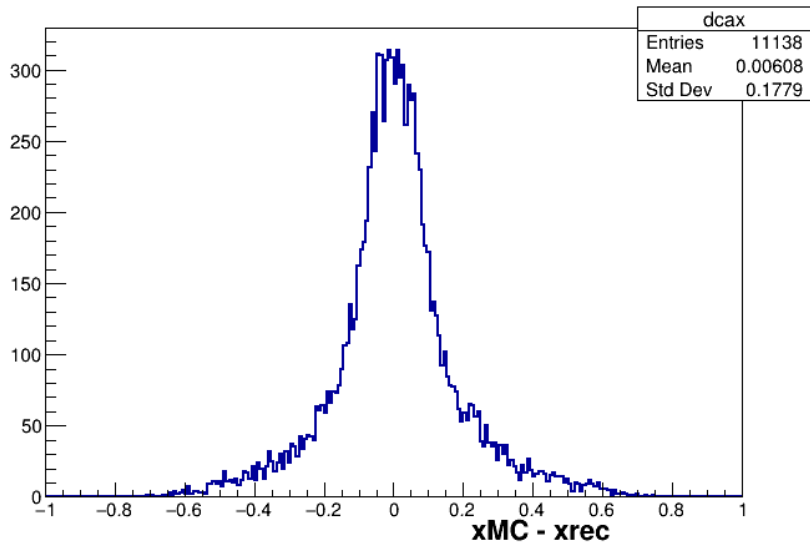
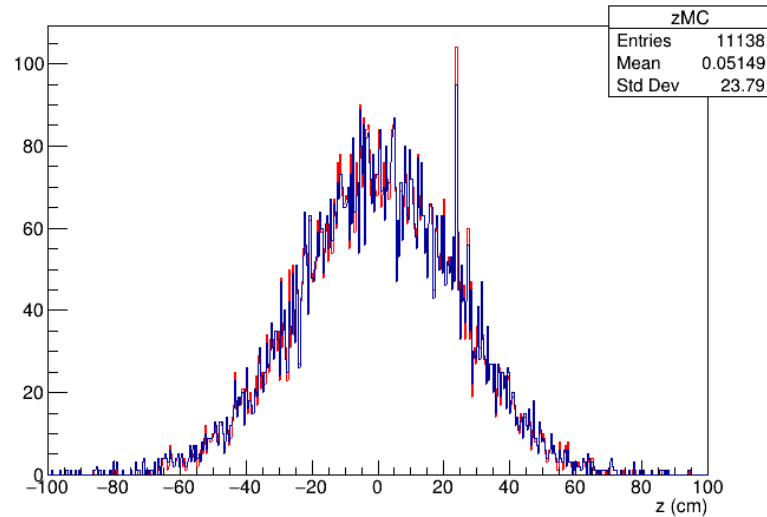
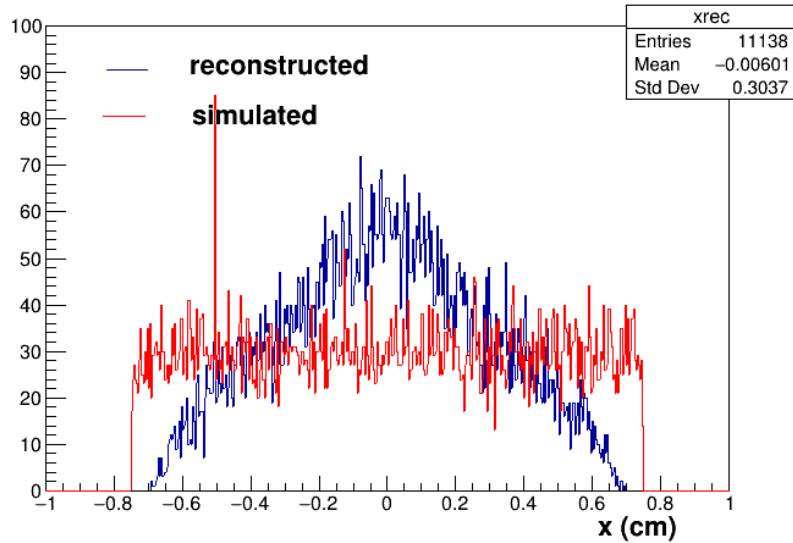
- Au+Au, $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 7.7$ GeV
- kaon radii demonstrate almost flat behavior similarly to vHLEE with the 1PT EoS \rightarrow weak flow
- R_{long} kaon radii are larger than pion ones similarly to experiment (LHC & RHIC)
- The similar trend is observed for AuAu 11.5 GeV

Pion and kaon radii with vHLE model



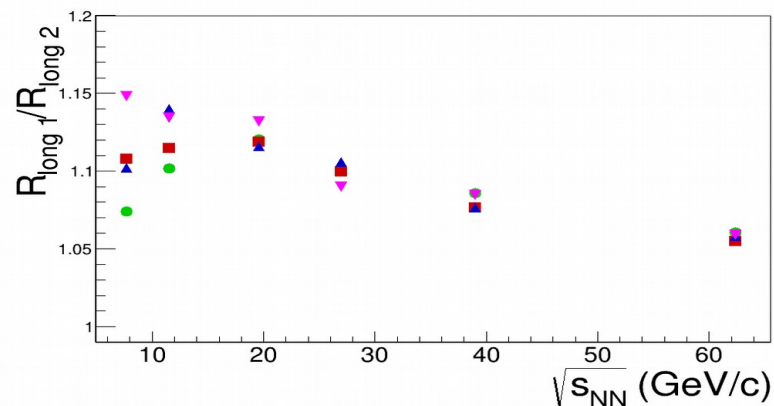
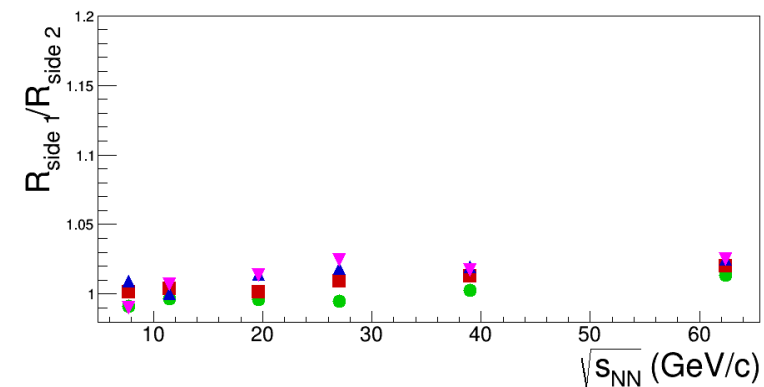
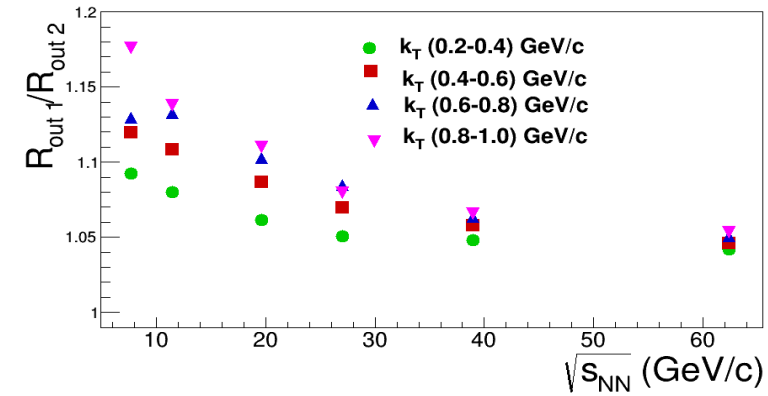
- Au+Au, $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 7.7$ GeV
- Approximate m_T scaling for R_{side}
- Similarly to pions : kaon radii decrease with $m_T \rightarrow$ radial flow ;
- for 1PT EoS almost flat dependence $R_{\text{out}}(m_T)$ is observed \rightarrow weaker flow
- $R_{\text{out, long}}(1PT) > R_{\text{out, long}}(XPT)$
- R_{long} kaon radii for XPT $>$ R_{long} pion similarly to experiment (LHC & RHIC)
- Very different predictions of vHLE model for different EoS \rightarrow importance to study heavier than pions particles \rightarrow kaons
- The similar trend is observed for AuAu 11.5 GeV

Vertex {X,Y,Z} – distributions



● The same effect is seen for y-coordinate of primary vertex.

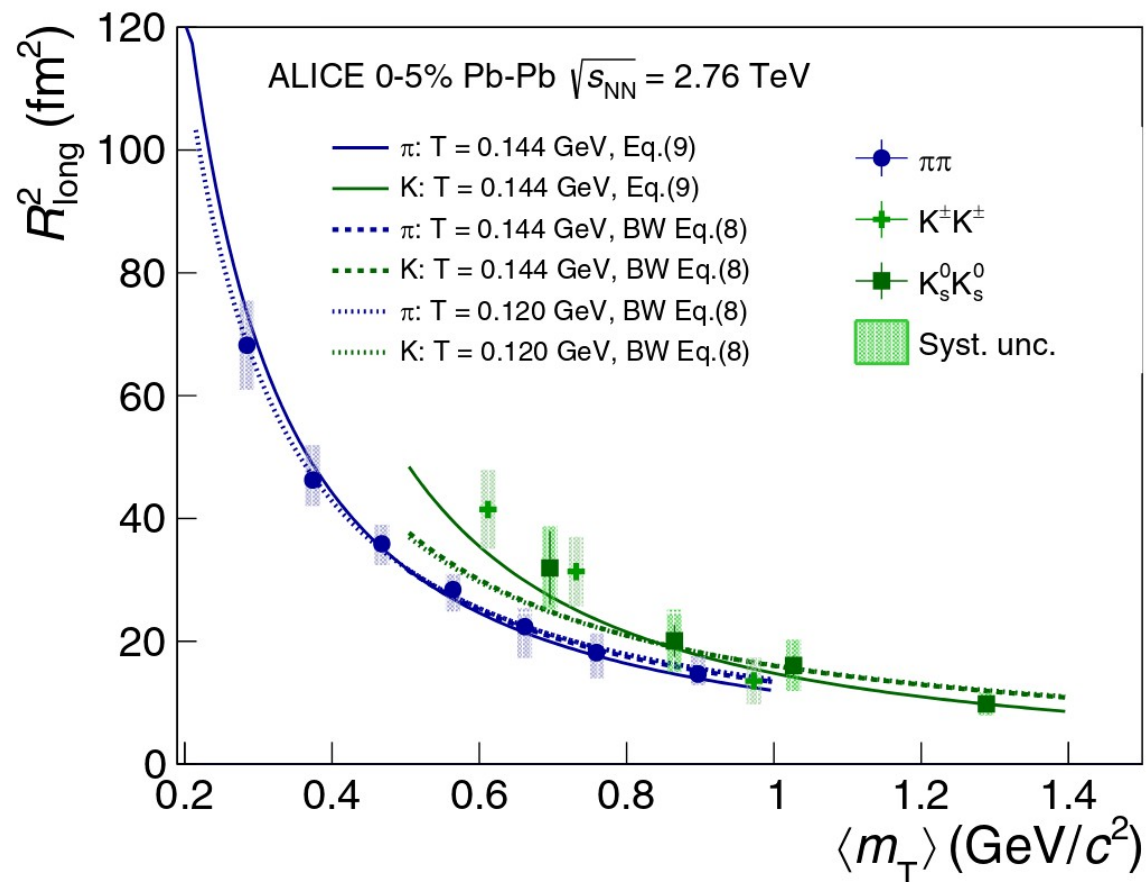
Ratio of $R_{\text{out,side,long}}(1\text{PT})/R_{\text{out,side,long}}(\text{XPT})$ vs. $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}}$



- Pion k_{T} divided into 4 bins
- R_{side} ratio practically coincide for both scenarios
- R_{out} and R_{long} ratios for 1PT EoS are greater than for XPT EoS and demonstrating a strong k_{T} -dependence at low energy
- The difference comes from a **weaker transverse flow** developed in the fluid phase with 1PT EoS as compared to XPT EoS and its longer lifetime in 1PT EoS

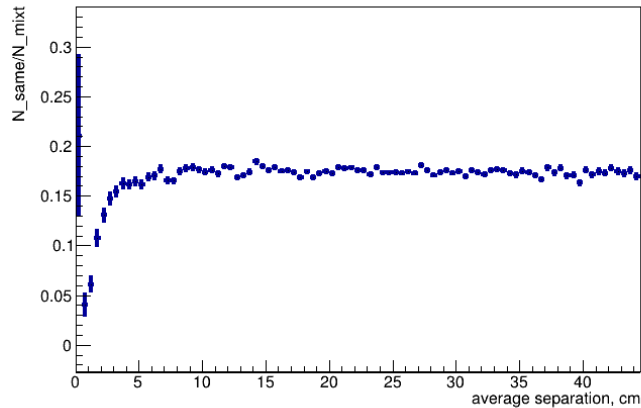
Emission delay in ALICE data

- ALICE kaon data in hydro-based parameterization: kaons emitted on average later than pions.
- It comes from rescattering via K^* resonance
- $R_{\text{long}}^2 \sim \tau / \sqrt{m_T}$
- Measured values: $\tau_{\pi} = 9.5 \pm 0.2 \text{ fm}/c$
 $\tau_K = 11.6 \pm 0.1 \text{ fm}/c$

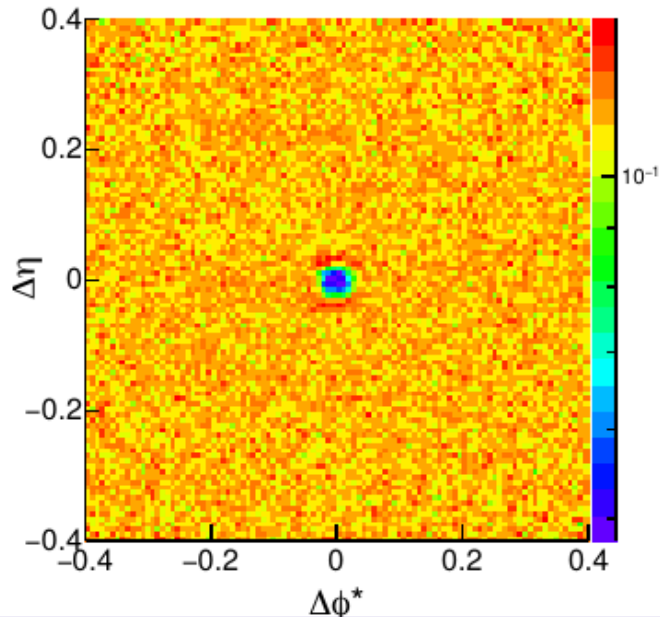


Tests with reconstructed data : two-tracks effects

In MPD FEMTO package are implemented different methods for study the two tracks effects which are widely used by STAR and ALICE collaborations.



$\Delta\eta$ vs $\Delta\phi^*$



- The cut on Average Separation between two tracks in TPC was studied and is find to be > 7 cm
- The cut on cylindrical distance between tracks in TPC was tested and is find to be: $\Delta\eta < 0.04$ and $\Delta\phi^* < 0.02$
- Pion femtosopic CF can be correctly reconstructed if two-tracks cuts are applied

