

Femtoscscopy of High Energy Collisions

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- Correlation asymmetries
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History of Correlation femtoscopy

measurement of space-time characteristics R , $c\tau \sim \text{fm}$
of particle production using particle correlations

Fermi'34, Watson'52, Migdal'55, GGLP'60, Dubna (GKPLL..'71-) ...

FSI in β -decay (Fermi): Coulomb FSI between e^\pm and **Nucleus** in β -decay modifies relative momentum (\mathbf{k}) distribution \rightarrow Fermi function

$$F(k,Z,R) = \langle |\psi_{-\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r})|^2 \rangle \sim (2kR)^{-2\varepsilon}, \quad \varepsilon = 1 - \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{Z}{137}\right)^2}$$

is sensitive to **Nucleus** radius R if $Z \gg 1$ $2\varepsilon = 0.41$ for Bi ($Z=83$)

$\psi_{-\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r}) =$ electron – residual **Nucleus** WF ($\Delta t=0$)

FSI & QS in Production of low-energy nucleons (Watson, Migdal): $\sim |f^S(k)|^2 / (r_0^2 + d^2)$
& deuterons (Migdal): $\sim 1 / (r_0^2 + R_d^2)^{3/2}$

$r_0 =$ production radius assumed $< \sim d \Rightarrow$ no r_0 -sensitivity of **NN** & **d**

$d =$ FSI radius (1-2 fm)

production at so small r_0

$R_d =$ deuteron radius (2.2 fm)

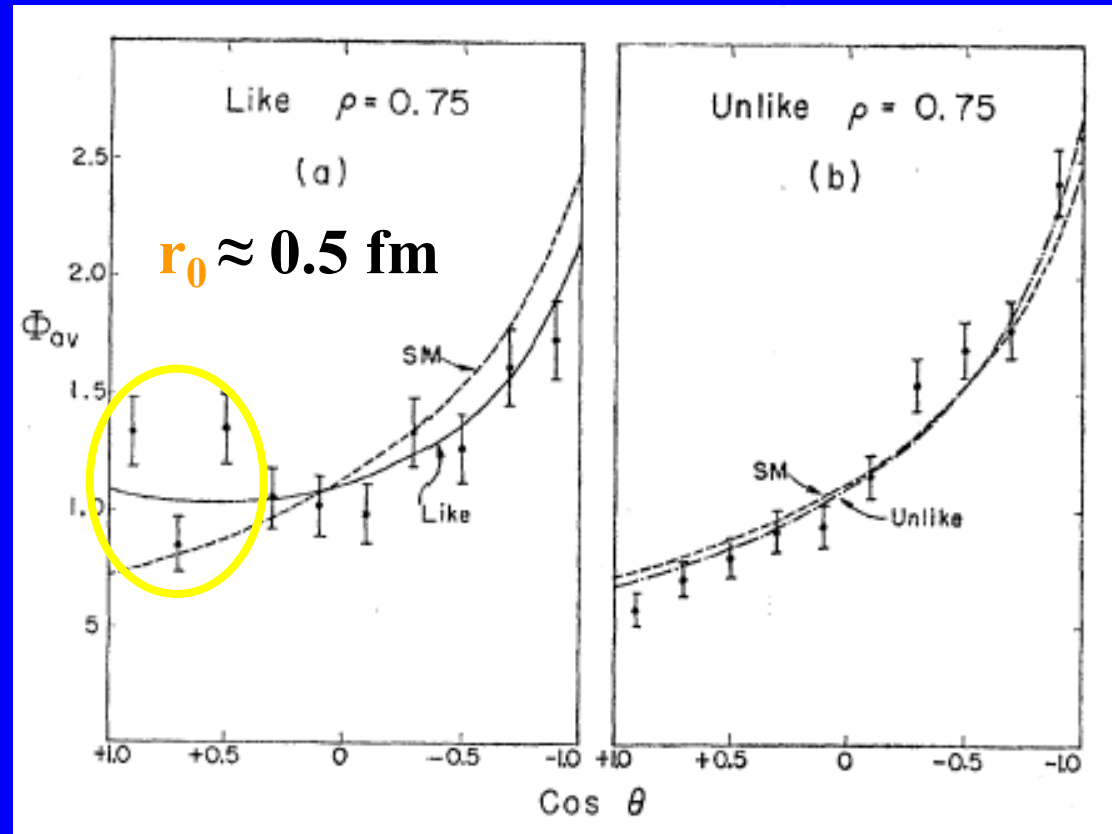
$f^S(k) =$ **NN** s-wave scattering amplitude for pair spin S (**QS** forbids $S = 1$)

Goldhaber, Goldhaber, Lee & Pais

QS in $\bar{p} p \rightarrow 2\pi^+ 2\pi^- n\pi^0$

GGLP'60 showed within Stat.Model that QS can explain enhanced number of like pion pairs at small opening angles if assuming a small production radius $r_0 \sim 0.5$ fm

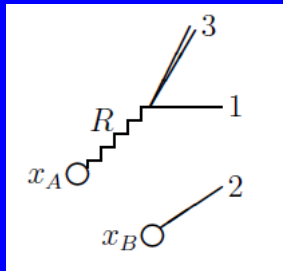
- Stat.Model multiplicity requires radius r_0 3x larger !
- In fact, later femtoscopy of $\bar{p} p$ collisions lead to $r_0 \sim 1.5$ fm
 - ⇓
- $\cos\theta$ -distribution integrates out the narrow BE enhancement from large space-time separations \rightarrow source radius r_0 is underestimated !
 - ⇓
- GGLP effect is insensitive to r_0 increase due to path lengths of resonances



Resonances as emitters

Grishin, Kopylov, Podgoretsky'71, Grassberger'77, RL'78, RL-Progulova'92

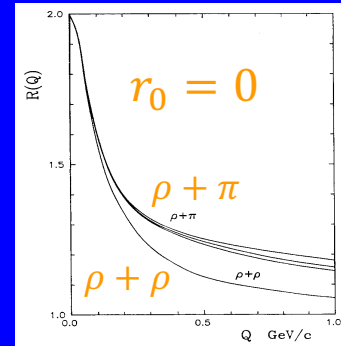
most of the produced pions come from resonance decays \Rightarrow symmetrization
accounting for resonance propagator $(M^2 - k_r^2 - iM\Gamma)^{-1}$ yields in the limit $\Gamma \ll M$



$$CF = 1 + \left\langle \frac{\cos(q\Delta x)}{1+y^2} \right\rangle \quad y = \frac{k_r q}{M\Gamma} \equiv (q \cdot l) = -Q \Gamma^* = \frac{Q p_D}{m\Gamma}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{\exp(-r_0^2 Q^2)}{\langle 1+y^2 \rangle} \quad \text{in PRF } q = q^* = (0, Q)$$

\hookrightarrow Pair Rest Frame



- BE enhancement **width** is determined by the source size enhanced by the resonance decay length in PRF $\Gamma^* = k_r / M\Gamma = -p_D / m\Gamma$ p_D = decay momentum
- ρ -meson as a typical resonance \rightarrow decay length in pion PRF $l^* \sim 3.3$ fm
- in contrast with pion correlation radii **1-1.5 fm** measured from $CF(Q)$ in πp , pp , e^+e^-
- explained by a rapid decrease of the slope of the resonance factor $1/(1+y^2)$ so that at $Q > 0.1$ GeV/c the Q -dependence is dominated by $\exp(-r_0^2 Q^2)$
- such analysis of $\pi\pi$ CF in pp & $\bar{p}p$ at ISR: $r_0 = 0.5-0.6$ fm direct production radius **RL-Progulova'92**

Modern correlation femtoscopy formulated by Kopylov & Podgoretsky

KP'71-75: in > 20 papers settled basics of **QS** correlation femtoscopy

- proposed **CF = $N^{\text{corr}} / N^{\text{uncorr}}$** vs relative relative momentum **q** & **mixing techniques** to construct **N^{uncorr}**
- justified **two-body approximation** (instead of GGLP multi-particle WFs) to calculate theor. CF
- substituted WFs by **time-dependent** Bethe-Salpeter amplitudes (for free particles) & clarified role of space-**time** production characteristics: **shape & time** picture from various **q**-projections
- showed that sufficiently **smooth** momentum spectrum allows one to neglect **space-time** coherence at small **q**: **smoothness approximation**

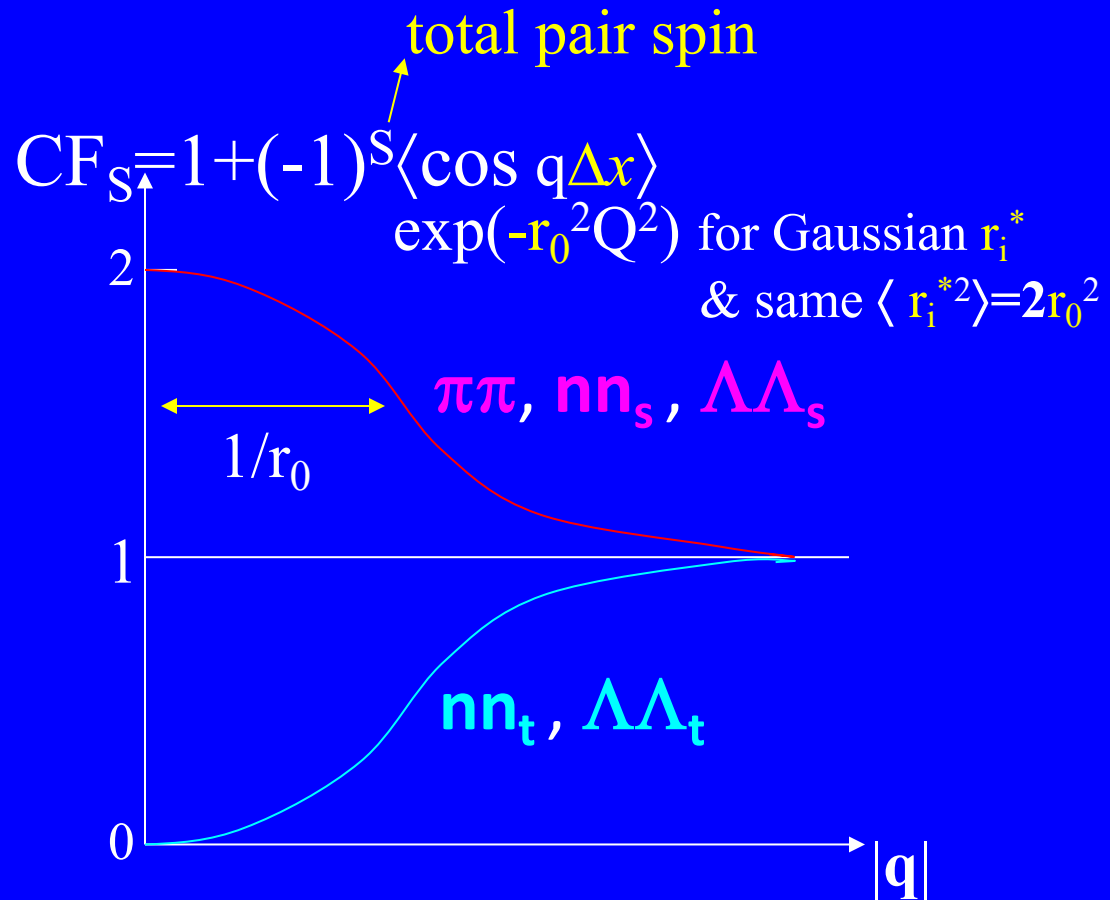
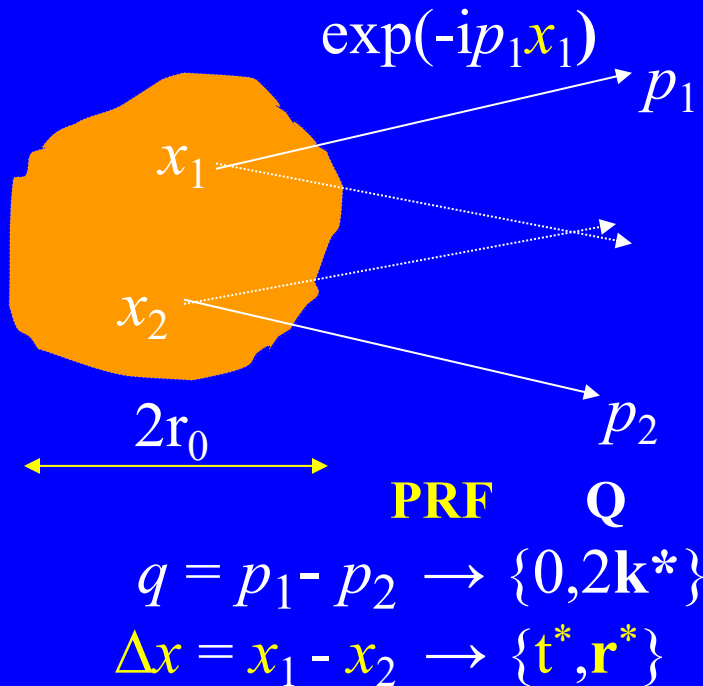
$$|\int d^4x_1 d^4x_2 \Psi_{p_1 p_2}(x_1, x_2) \dots|^2 \rightarrow \int d^4x_1 d^4x_2 |\Psi_{p_1 p_2}(x_1, x_2) \dots|^2$$

$$|\text{Sum of Ampl.}|^2 \rightarrow \text{Sum of Probab. (like in Stat. Model)}$$

QS symmetrization of production amplitude

→ *momentum correlations of identical particles are sensitive to space-time structure of the source*

KP'71-75



$$CF_S \rightarrow \langle |\psi^{S(\text{sym})}_{-\mathbf{k}^*}(\mathbf{r}^*)|^2 \rangle = \langle | [e^{-i\mathbf{k}^* \cdot \mathbf{r}^*} + (-1)^S e^{i\mathbf{k}^* \cdot \mathbf{r}^*}] / \sqrt{2} |^2 \rangle$$

! CF of noninteracting identical particles (on mass-shell) is independent of t^* in PRF
 ⇒ the unique Fourier space-time reconstruction of particle emission is impossible

“General” parameterization at $|\mathbf{q}| \rightarrow 0$

Particles on mass shell & azimuthal symmetry \Rightarrow 5 pair variables:

$$\mathbf{q} = \{q_x, q_y, q_z\} \equiv \{q_{\text{out}}, q_{\text{side}}, q_{\text{long}}\}, \text{ pair velocity } \mathbf{v} = \{v_x, 0, v_z\}$$

A modification of **Kopylov** variables:

$$\mathbf{q} = \{q_L, q_T, \varphi_q\}, \mathbf{v} = \{v \sin\theta, 0, v \cos\theta\}$$

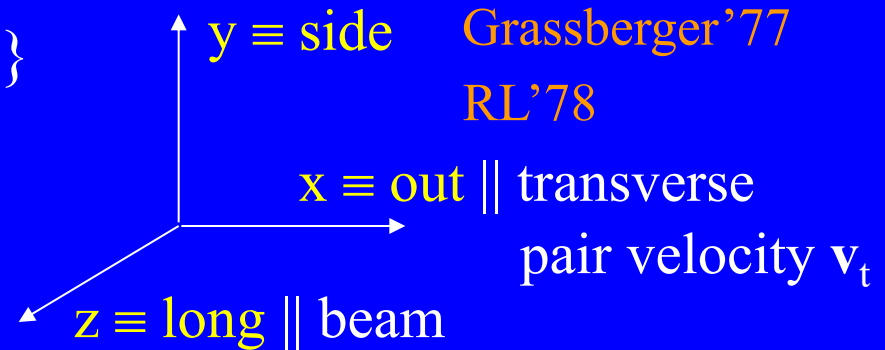
$$q_x = q_L \sin\theta + q_T \cos\theta \cos\varphi_q, q_y = q_T \sin\varphi_q$$

$$q_z = q_L \cos\theta - q_T \sin\theta \cos\varphi_q$$

Kopylov relation:

$$q_0 = \mathbf{q}\mathbf{p}/p_0 \equiv \mathbf{q}\mathbf{v} = q_L v = q_x v_x + q_z v_z$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta t \text{ enters CF through } (\Delta x_L - v\Delta t)q_L = (\Delta x - v_x\Delta t)q_x + (\Delta z - v_z\Delta t)q_z$$



$$\langle \cos \mathbf{q}\Delta\mathbf{x} \rangle = 1 - \frac{1}{2} \langle (\mathbf{q}\Delta\mathbf{x})^2 \rangle + \dots \approx \exp(-R_x^2 q_x^2 - R_y^2 q_y^2 - R_z^2 q_z^2 - 2R_{xz}^2 q_x q_z)$$

the only cross term

Femtoscopic radii:

Podgoretsky'83

$$R_x^2 = \frac{1}{2} \langle (\Delta x - v_x \Delta t)^2 \rangle, R_y^2 = \frac{1}{2} \langle (\Delta y)^2 \rangle, R_z^2 = \frac{1}{2} \langle (\Delta z - v_z \Delta t)^2 \rangle$$

Podgoretsky'83, Bertsch, Pratt'95; so called out-side-long parameterization

Csorgo, Pratt'91: LCMS $v_z = 0$

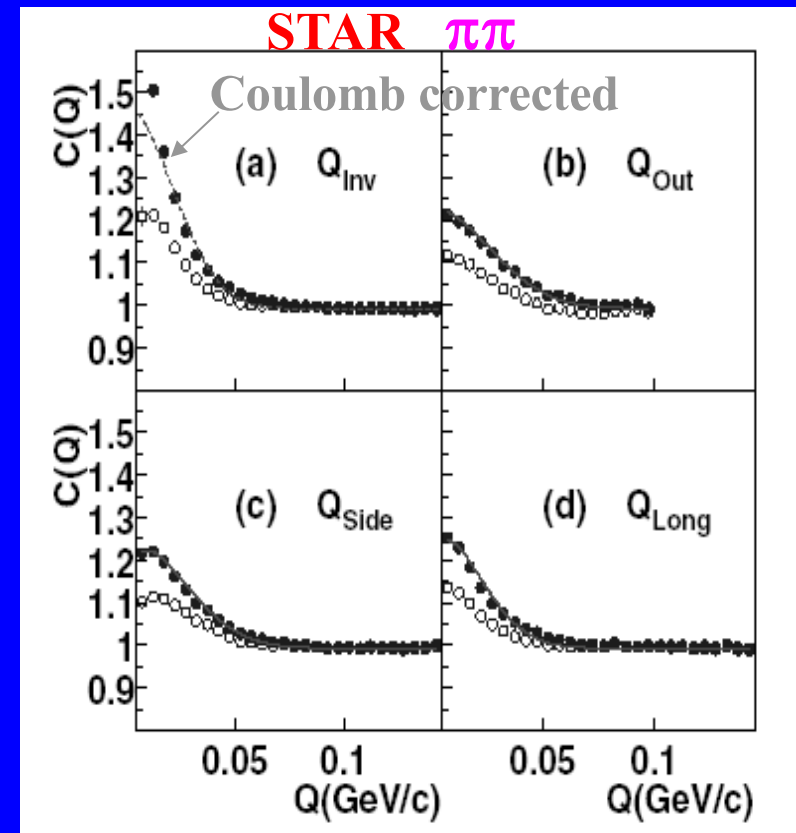
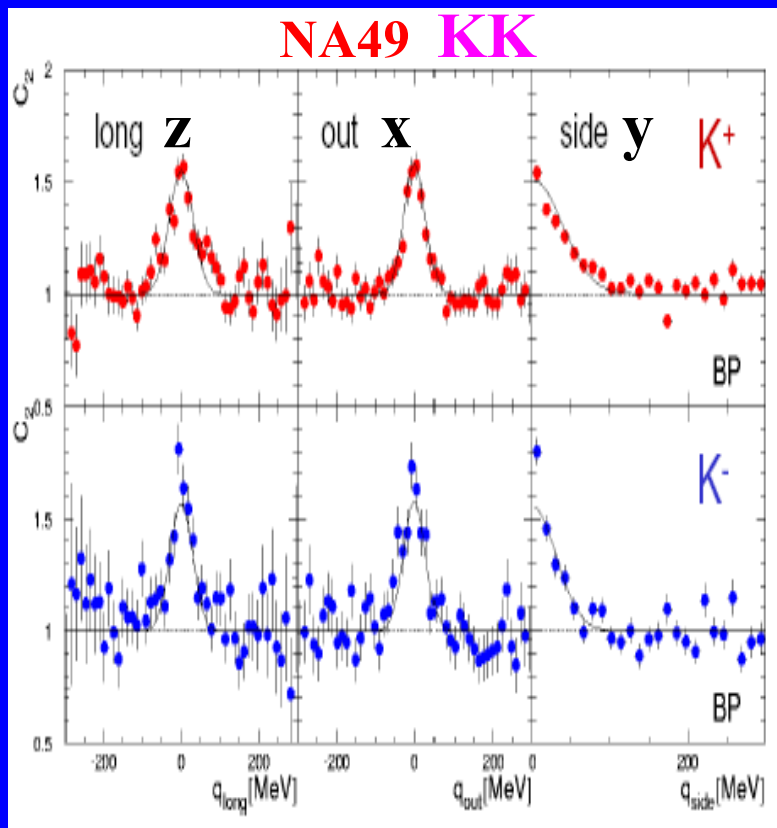
3-dim fit: $CF=1+\lambda\exp(-R_x^2q_x^2-R_y^2q_y^2-R_z^2q_z^2-2R_{xz}^2q_xq_z)$

Correlation strength or chaoticity

Femtoscopic radii

Examples of 3d-CFs in LCMS: NA49 Pb+Pb & STAR Au+Au

Agreement with Gaussians in q -projections is worse in $Q = \sqrt{(q_x^2/\gamma_t^2 + q_y^2 + q_z^2)}$ due to non-equal LCMS radii R_i and the pair transverse Lorentz factor $\gamma_t = m_t/m$; non-Gaussian tail from resonance decays is less important in HICs



Probing source shape and emission duration

KP (71-75) ...

Static Gaussian model with space and time dispersions
 $R_{\perp}^2, R_{\parallel}^2, \Delta\tau^2$

$$R_x^2 = R_{\perp}^2 + v_{\perp}^2 \Delta\tau^2$$

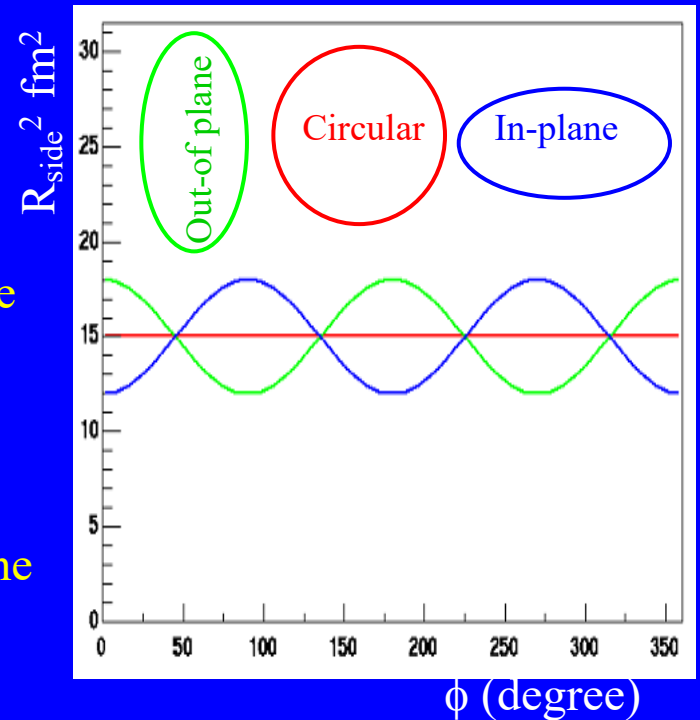
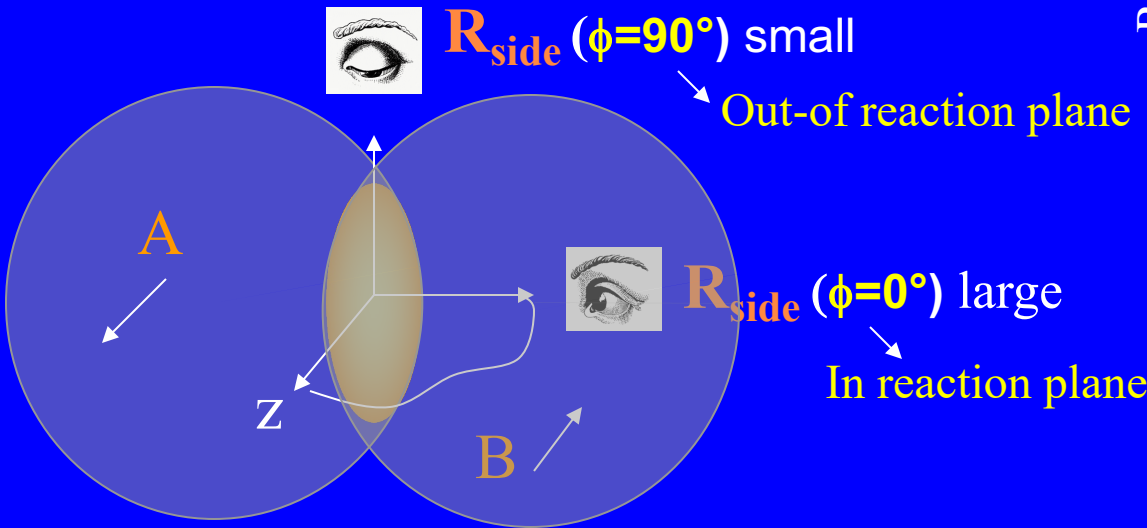
$$\rightarrow R_y^2 = R_{\perp}^2$$

$$R_z^2 = R_{\parallel}^2 + v_{\parallel}^2 \Delta\tau^2$$

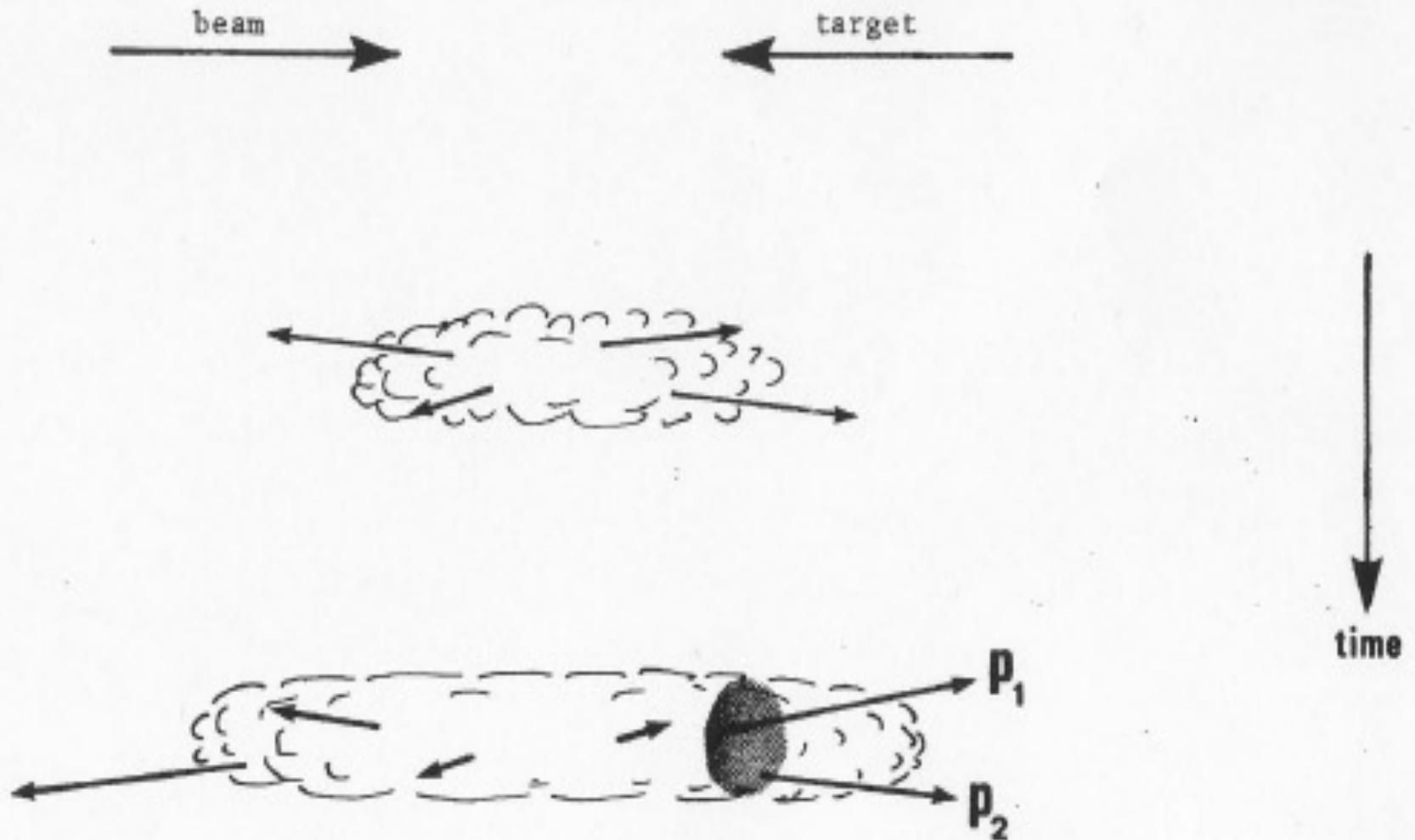
→ **Emission duration**

$$\Delta\tau^2 = (R_x^2 - R_y^2) / v_{\perp}^2$$

If elliptic shape also in transverse plane
 ⇒ $R_y \equiv R_{\text{side}}$ oscillates with pair azimuth ϕ



Grassberger'77: fire sausage x-p correlation



Probing source dynamics - expansion

Dispersion of emitter velocities & limited emission momenta (T) \Rightarrow

x - p correlation: interference dominated by pions from nearby emitters

Resonances GKP'71

Strings Bowler'85 ..

\rightarrow Interference probes only a part of the source

\rightarrow Interferometry radii decrease with pair velocity

Hydro Pratt'84,86

Kolehmainen, Gyulassy'86

Makhlin-Sinyukov'87

Bertch, Gong, Tohyama'88

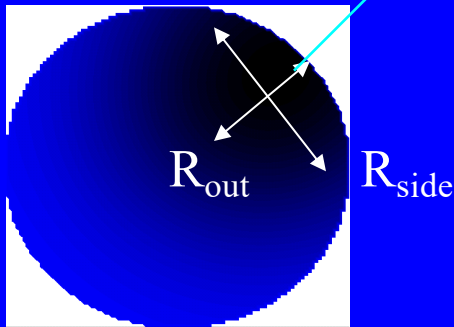
Hama, Padula'88

Pratt, Csörgö, Zimanyi'90

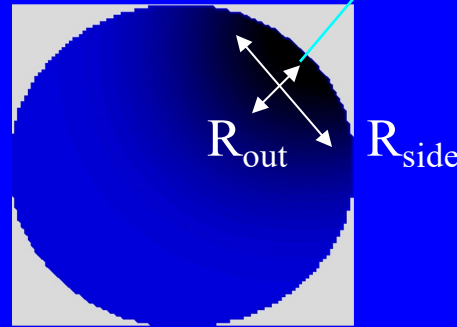
Mayer, Schnedermann, Heinz'92

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$P_t=160$ MeV/c



$P_t=380$ MeV/c



Transverse radial expansion with tr. flow $\rightarrow R_{side} \approx r_0 / (1 + \rho_0^2 m_t / T)^{1/2}$
 rapidity $\rho = \rho_0 r / r_0$ & Gaussian tr. radius r_0

in LCMS: 1

Longitudinal boost invariant expansion
 for a proper evolution time τ , $\tau_0^2 = \langle \tau^2 \rangle$ $\rightarrow R_{long} \approx (T/m_t)^{1/2} \tau_0 / \cosh y$

AGS \rightarrow SPS \rightarrow RHIC: $\pi\pi$ radii vs E_{lab} & p_t

Central Au+Au or Pb+Pb

$$R_{\text{long}} \approx (T/m_t)^{1/2} \tau_0$$

\uparrow with energy
& points to short
evolution time

$$\tau_0 \sim 8-10 \text{ fm}/c$$

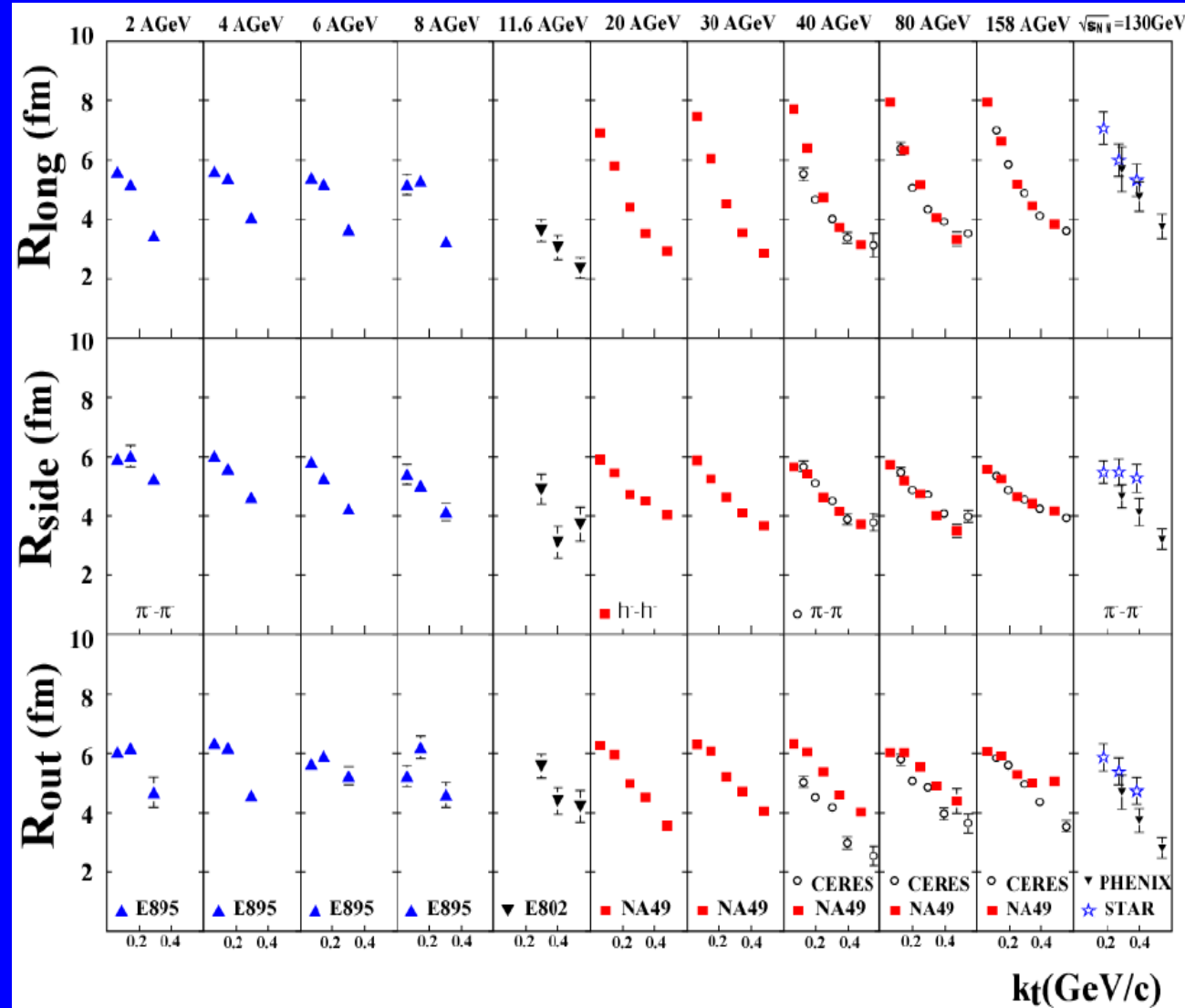
$$R_{\text{side}} \approx R_{\text{out}}$$

\sim const up to
RHIC energy
& short emission
duration

$$\Delta\tau \sim 2 \text{ fm}/c$$

& $\downarrow p_t \Rightarrow$ strong
transverse flow

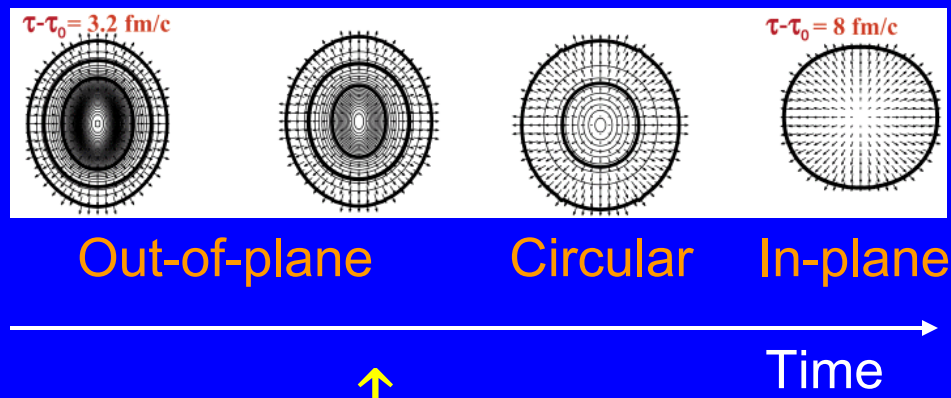
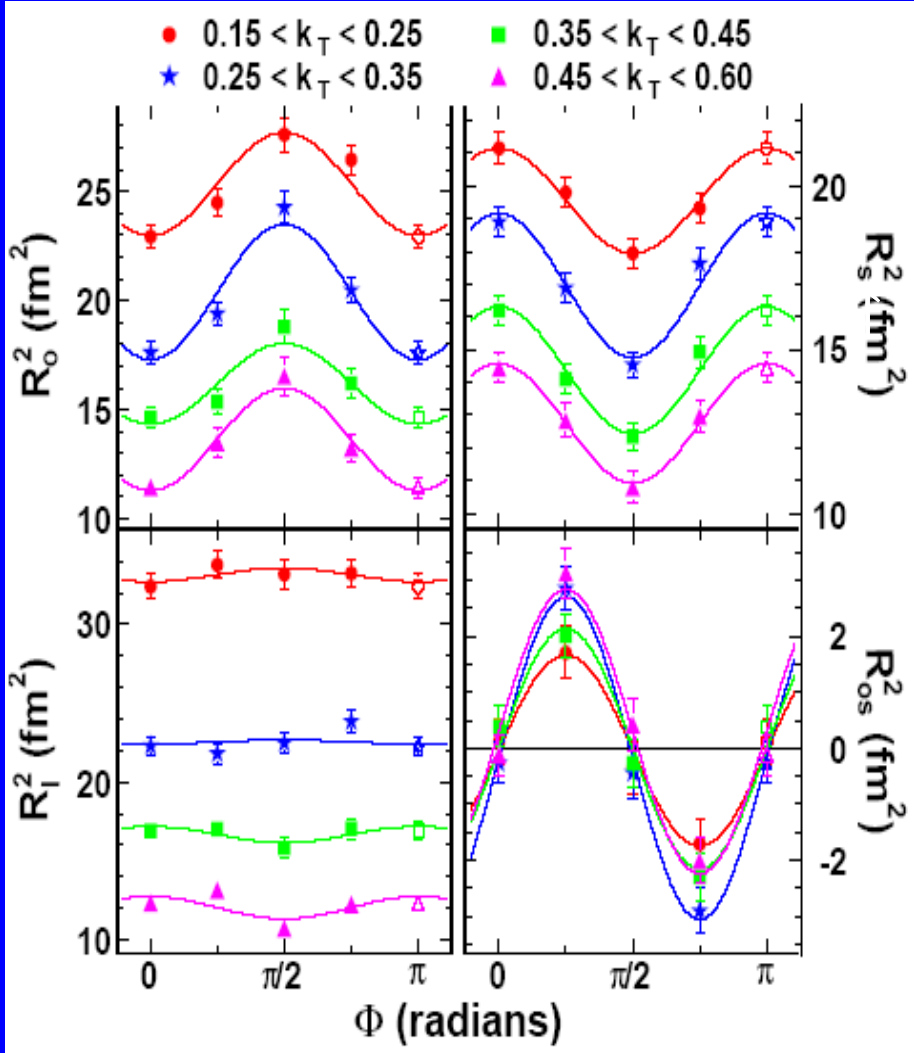
$$\rho_0 \sim 0.4-0.6$$



Interferometry wrt reaction plane

STAR'04 Au+Au 200 GeV 20-30%
 $\pi^+\pi^+$ & $\pi^-\pi^-$

Typical hydro evolution



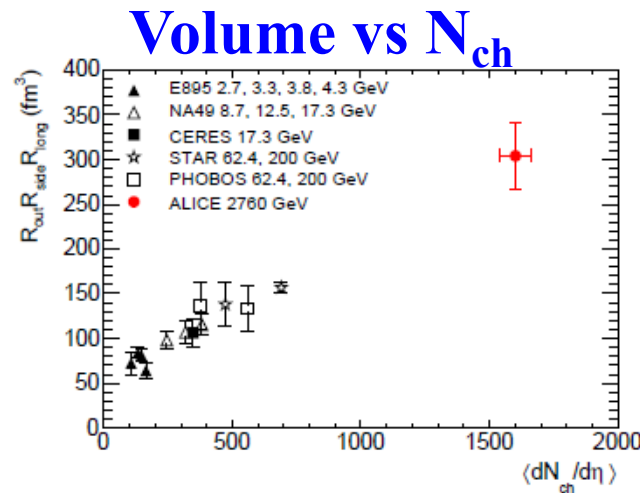
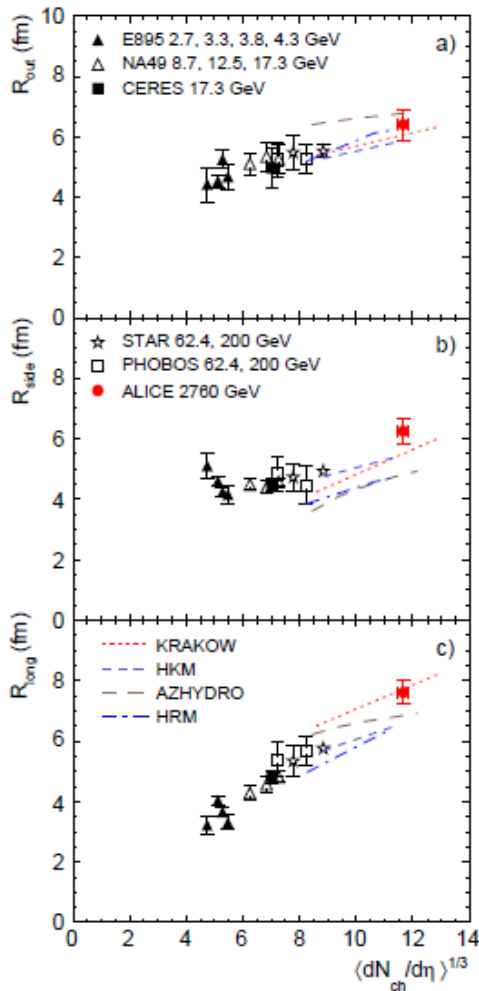
STAR data:
 ϕ oscillations like for a static **out-of-plane** source
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 confirms
Short evolution time

Femtoscscopy of Pb+Pb at LHC

ALICE, arXiv:1012.4035

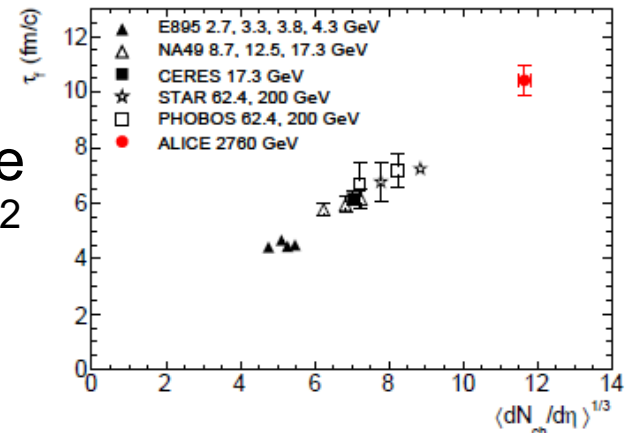
All radii increase with N_{ch} from RHIC to LHC

multiplicity N_{ch} scaling of the correlation volume V
 → universal freeze-out density N_{ch}/V



- The LHC vs RHIC fireball:
- hotter
 - lives longer: $\tau_f^{LHC} > \tau_f^{RHIC}$
 - expands ~ same $\rho_0 \approx 1/2c$ to a larger size
 - decays similarly with a short emission duration $\Delta\tau \ll \tau_f$

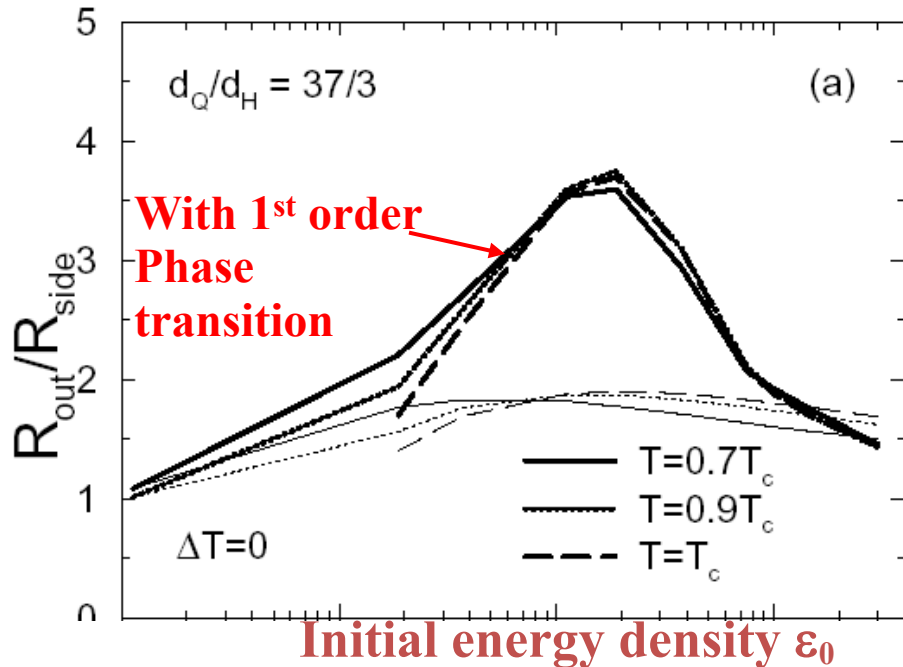
Freeze-out (evolution) time
 $\tau_f \equiv \tau_0$ from $R_{long} = \tau_f (T/m_t)^{1/2}$



Femtoscopic signature of QGP onset

3D 1-fluid Hydrodynamics

Rischke & Gyulassy, NPA 608, 479 (1996)



A large statistics required to reconstruct the $\Delta\tau$ tail due to a small partonic fraction at the onset region

Long-standing signature of QGP onset:

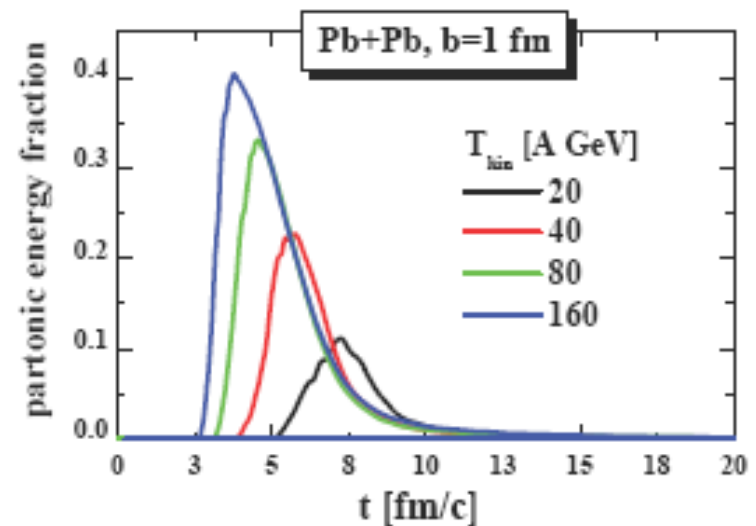
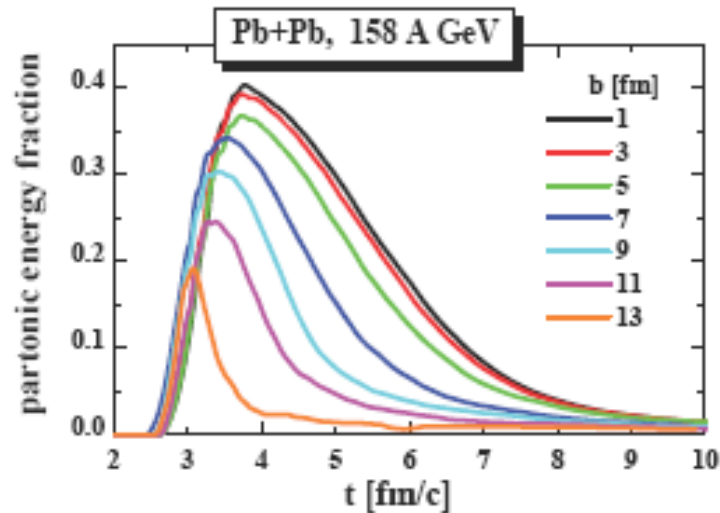
- increase in emission duration $\Delta\tau$ (reflected in R_{OUT}/R_{SIDE}) due to the 1st order Phase transition
- hoped-for “turn on” as QGP threshold in ϵ_0 is reached
- $\Delta\tau$ decreases with decreasing Latent heat & increasing tr. Flow

(high ϵ_0 or initial tr. Flow)

Cassing – Bratkovskaya: Parton-Hadron-String-Dynamics

Perspectives at FAIR/NICA energies

partonic energy fraction vs centrality and energy



→ Dramatic decrease of partonic phase with decreasing energy and centrality !

vHLE+UrQMD model

Pre-thermal phase

UrQMD

hydrodynamic phase

vHLE
(3+1)-D viscous hydrodynamics

hadronic cascade

UrQMD

Iu. Karpenko, P. Huovinen, H. Petersen, M. Bleicher, Phys.Rev. C 91, 064901 (2015), arXiv:1502.01978,1509.3751, talk QM2015

vHLE code: free and open source, <https://github.com/yukarpenko/vhllle>, Comput. Phys. Commun. 185 (2014), 3016

Model with XPT EoS is tuned by matching with the experimental data of SPS and BES RHIC.

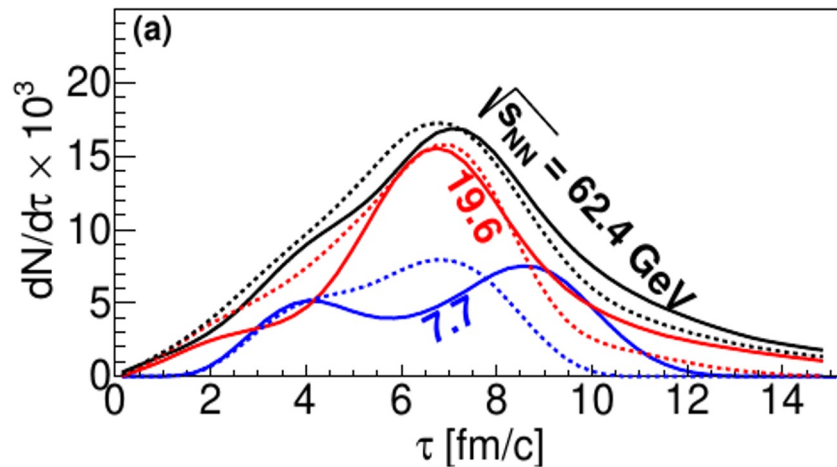
Chiral EoS \rightarrow crossover PT (XPT)

J. Steinheimer et al, J. Phys. G 38, 035001 (2011)

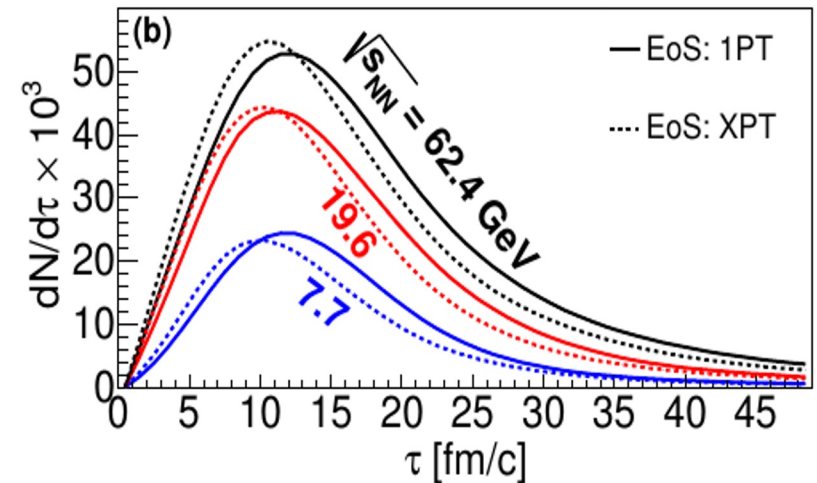
HadronGas + Bag Model \rightarrow 1st order PT (1PT)

P.F. Kolb et al, Phys.Rev. C 62, 054909 (2000)

Pion emission times at the particlization surface

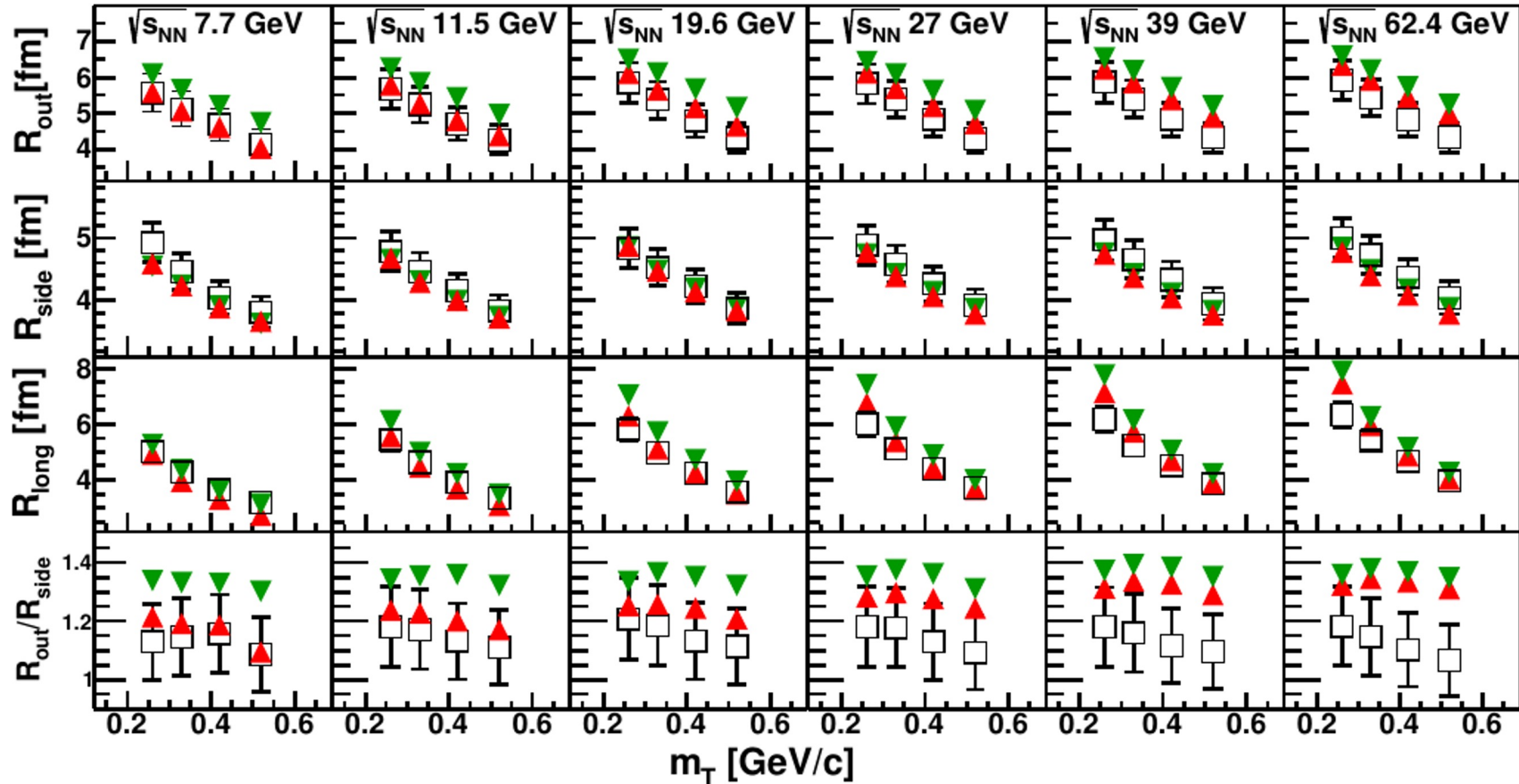


and at the last interaction points



3D Pion Gaussian radii @ 0-5%: STAR, vHLLC_{1PT}, xPT+UrQMD

Batyuk ... PRC 96 (2017)



↓
Shorter
emission
duration
required

Green triangles - 1PT EoS, Red triangles - XPT EoS, Open black squares STAR data BES

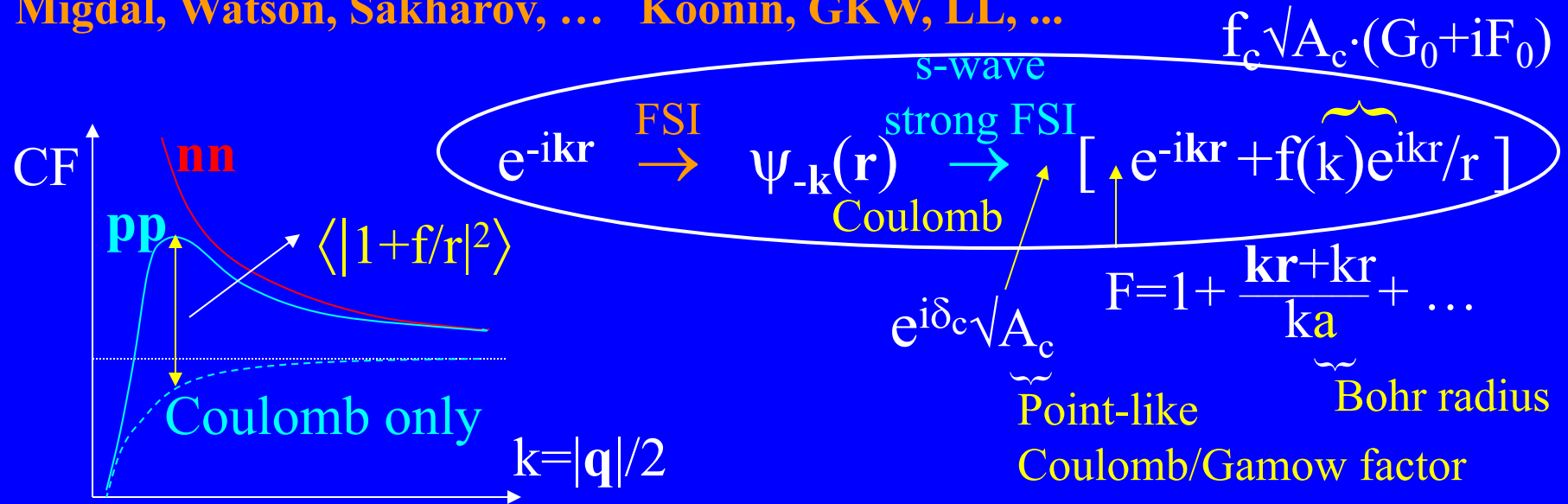
- $R_{out}(XPT)$ at high energies and $R_{out}(1PT)$ at all energies are overestimated
- $R_{long}(XPT)$ at low energies are slightly underestimated
- $R_{long}(1PT)$ at high energies are slightly overestimated
- $R_i(1PT) > R_i(XPT)$ by 0.5-1 fm for $i = out, long$
- $R_{side}(1PT) \approx R_{side}(XPT)$ are slightly underestimated

Conclusions from vHLLE+UrQMD model

- Hydro phase lasts longer with 1st order PT.
 - Hadronic cascade diminishes the difference between 1PT and XPT source functions, though there is still a possibility to distinguish them using the femtoscopy.
 - Femtoscopic Gaussian radii from STAR BES require about 1 fm/c shorter pion emission duration in the present vHLLE+UrQMD model, which may result in agreement of the model 1PT/XPT at low/high energies.
 - A 3D CF analysis with heavier particles (Kaons and Baryons) could be useful to discriminate 1PT and XPT source functions because of their more Gaussian shapes and less influence of resonances.
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Final State Interaction

Similar to Coulomb distortion of β -decay **Fermi'34**: $\langle |\psi_{-\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r})|^2 \rangle$? **t**
Migdal, Watson, Sakharov, ... Koonin, GKW, LL, ...



⇒ FSI is sensitive to source size \mathbf{r} and scattering amplitude \mathbf{f}

FSI complicates CF analysis but makes possible:

- **Femtoscscopy with nonidentical particles** $\pi K, \pi p, ..$
including relative space-time asymmetries delays, flow
- **Femtoscscopy using Coalescence deuterons, ..**
- **Study “exotic” scattering** $\pi\pi, \pi K, KK, \pi\Lambda, p\Lambda, \Lambda\Lambda, \bar{p}\bar{p} ..$
the measurement of strange particle interaction is highly required to understand the properties (EoS) of neutron stars

Effect of nonequal times in pair cms

RL, Lyuboshitz SJNP 35 (82) 770; RL nucl-th/0501065

$$\Psi_{p_1, p_2}^{S(+)}(x_1, x_2) \rightarrow e^{iPX} \psi_{-\mathbf{k}^*}^S(\mathbf{r}^*)$$

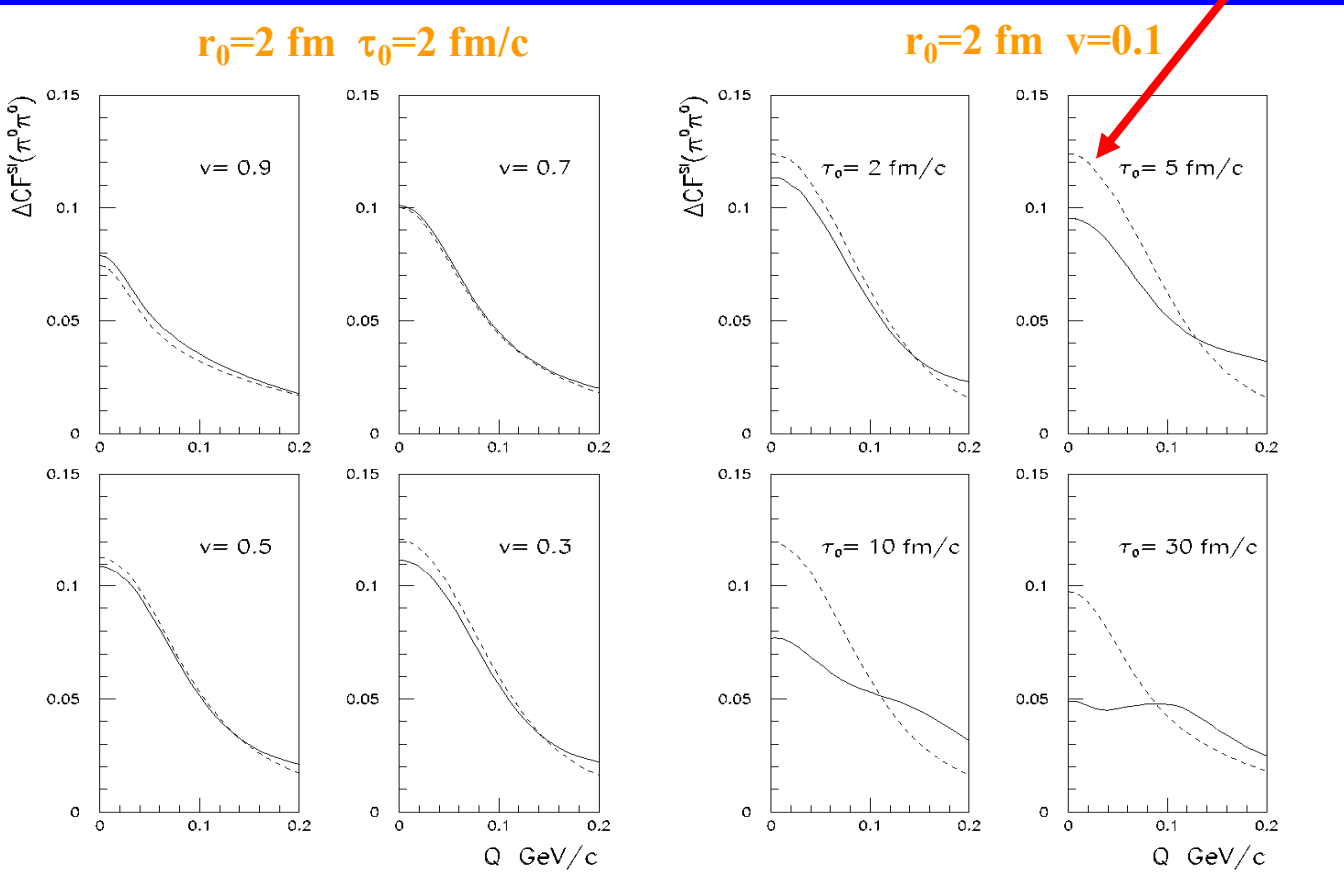
Applicability condition of **equal-time approximation**: $|t^*| \ll m_{1,2} r^{*2}$

$$|\mathbf{k}^* t^*| \ll m_{1,2} r^*$$



OK for **heavy particles & small k^***

→ OK within 10% even for **pions** if $\Delta\tau = \tau_0 \sim r_0$ or lower



Analytical dependence of CF on s-wave scatt. amplitudes $f(k)$ and source radius r_0 LL'81

Using spherical wave in the outer region ($r > \epsilon$) & inner region ($r < \epsilon$) correction, assuming Gaussian separation distribution $W(r) = \exp(-r^2/4r_0^2)/(2\sqrt{\pi} r_0)^3$ & single channel & no Coulomb

\Rightarrow

FSI contribution to the CF of nonidentical particles

at $kr_0 \ll 1$:
$$\Delta CF^{\text{FSI}} = \frac{1}{2} |f_0/r_0|^2 [1 - d_0/(2r_0\sqrt{\pi})] + 2\text{Re}f_0/(r_0\sqrt{\pi})$$

f_0 & d_0 are the s-wave scatt. length and eff. radius determining the scattering amplitude in the effective range approximation:

$$f(k) = \sin\delta_0 \exp(i\delta_0)/k \approx (1/f_0 + \frac{1}{2}d_0k^2 - ik)^{-1}$$

f_0 and d_0 : characterizing the nuclear force

$$u(r) = e^{i\delta} r \psi(r)$$

$$f_0 = -a$$

$$d_0 \approx r_0$$

at $k \rightarrow 0$

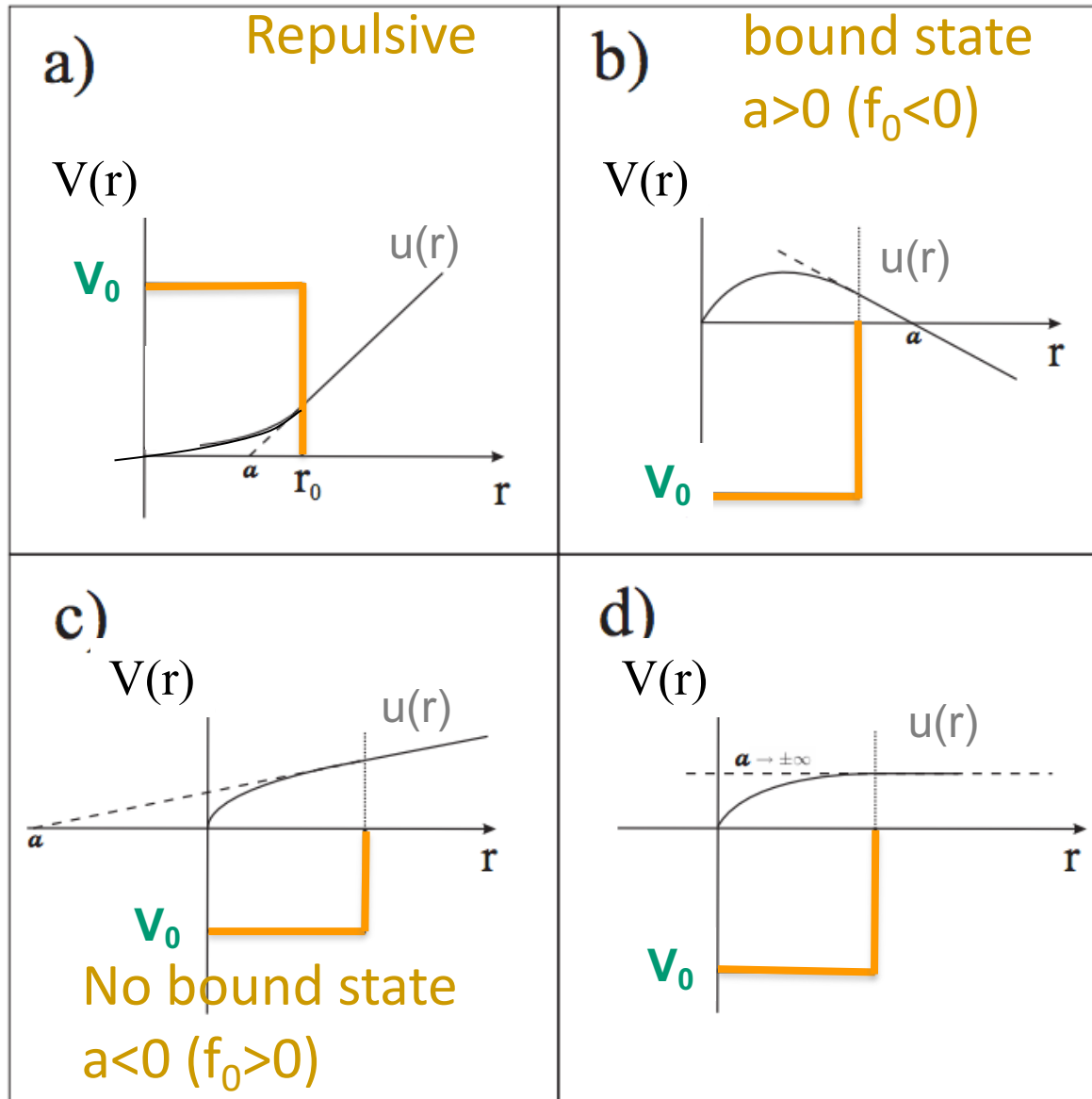
$$r > r_0$$

$$u(r) \sim (r - a)$$

Resonance:

$$f_0 > 0$$

$$d_0 < 0$$



Correlation asymmetries

RL, Lyuboshitz, Erazmus, Nouais PLB 373 (1996) 30

CF of **identical particles** sensitive to terms **even** in $\mathbf{k}^* \mathbf{r}^*$ (e.g. through $\langle \cos 2\mathbf{k}^* \mathbf{r}^* \rangle$)
→ measures **dispersion** of the components of relative PRF separation $\mathbf{r}^* = \mathbf{r}_1^* - \mathbf{r}_2^*$

$$\langle (\Delta x^*)^2 \rangle, \langle (\Delta y^*)^2 \rangle, \langle (\Delta z^*)^2 \rangle$$

CF of **nonidentical particles** sensitive also to terms **odd** in $\mathbf{k}^* \mathbf{r}^*$
→ measures also relative **space-time asymmetries** - shifts $\langle \mathbf{r}^* \rangle$:

$$\langle \Delta x^* \rangle, \langle \Delta y^* \rangle, \langle \Delta z^* \rangle$$

→ Construct $\mathbf{CF}_{+\mathbf{x}}$ and $\mathbf{CF}_{-\mathbf{x}}$ with **positive** and **negative \mathbf{k}^* -projection k_x^***
on a given **direction \mathbf{x}** and study CF-ratio $\mathbf{CF}_{+\mathbf{x}}/\mathbf{CF}_{-\mathbf{x}}$

In LCMS ($\mathbf{v}_z=0$) or $\mathbf{x} \parallel \mathbf{v}$: $\Delta x^* = \gamma_t(\Delta x - v_t \Delta t)$

⇒ CF asymmetry is determined by **space** and **time** asymmetries

at $k^* \rightarrow 0$, asymmetry for **charged particles** arises mainly from Coulomb FSI:

$$\mathbf{CF}_{+\mathbf{x}}/\mathbf{CF}_{-\mathbf{x}} \rightarrow 1 + 2 \langle \Delta x^* \rangle / a_{\text{Bohr radius}} = \pm 226 \text{ fm for } \pi^\pm p$$

$\pm 388 \text{ fm for } \pi^+ \pi^\pm$

⇒ Mirror symmetry in case of \sim same Δx^* for \pm charged particles

BW Retiere@LBL'05

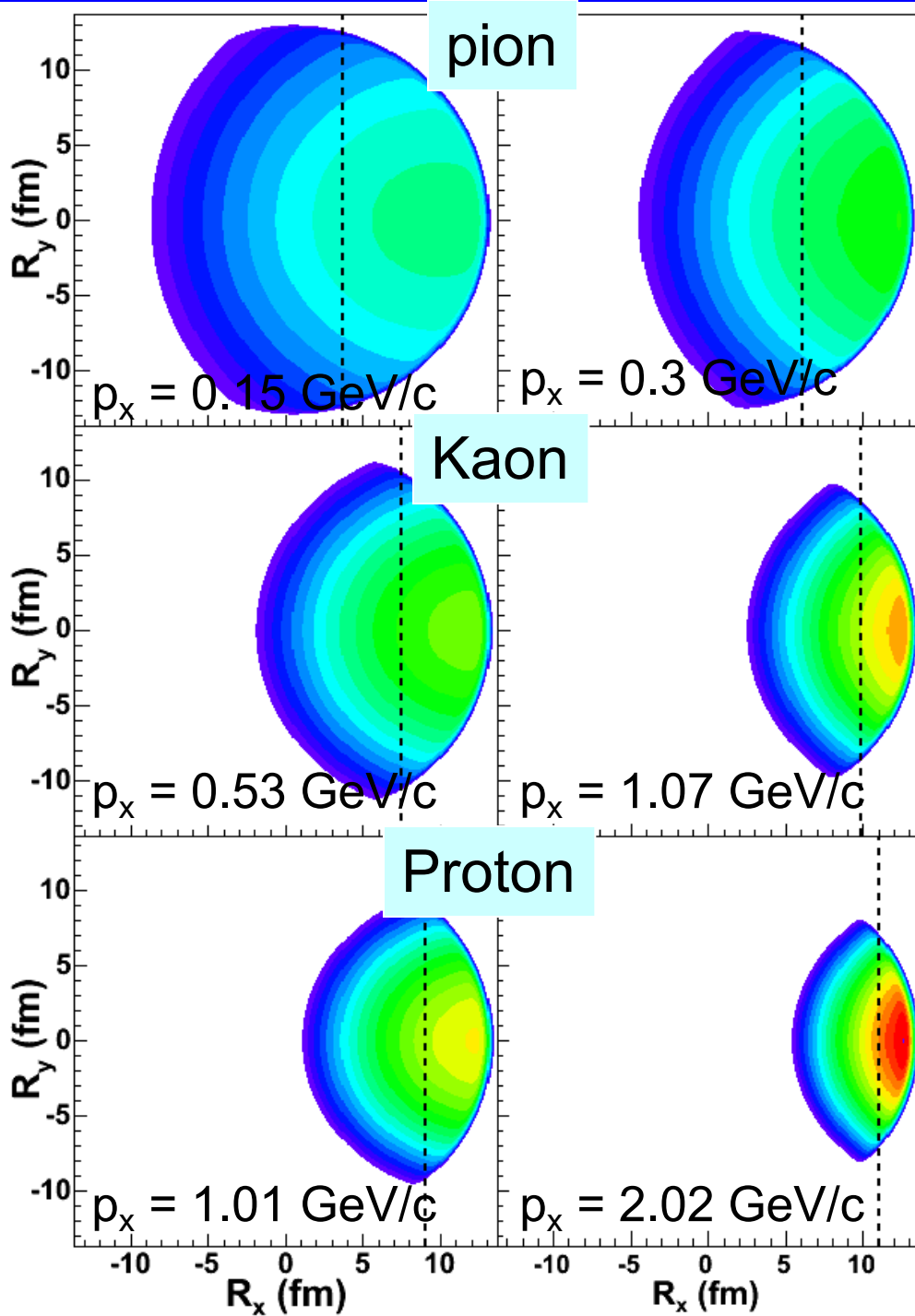
Distribution of emission points at a given equal velocity:

- Left, $v_x = 0.73c, v_y = 0$
- Right, $v_x = 0.91c, v_y = 0$

Dash lines: average emission R_x
 $\Rightarrow \langle R_x(\pi) \rangle < \langle R_x(K) \rangle < \langle R_x(p) \rangle$

For a Gaussian tr. density profile with a radius r_0 and tr. flow rapidity profile $\rho(r) = \rho_0 r / r_0$
RL'04, Akkelin-Sinyukov'96 :

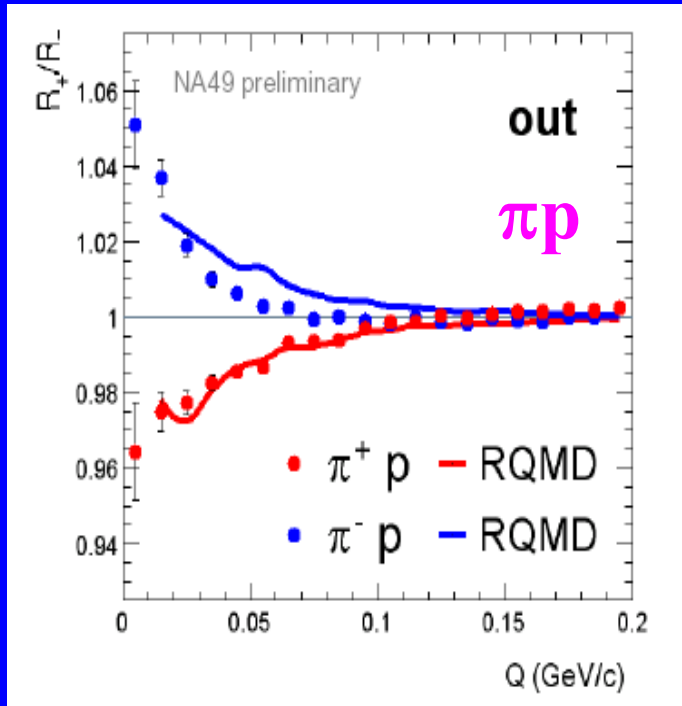
$$\langle \mathbf{x} \rangle = \mathbf{r}_0 \mathbf{v}_t \rho_0 / [\rho_0^2 + \mathbf{T}/m_t]$$



NA49 & STAR out-asymmetries

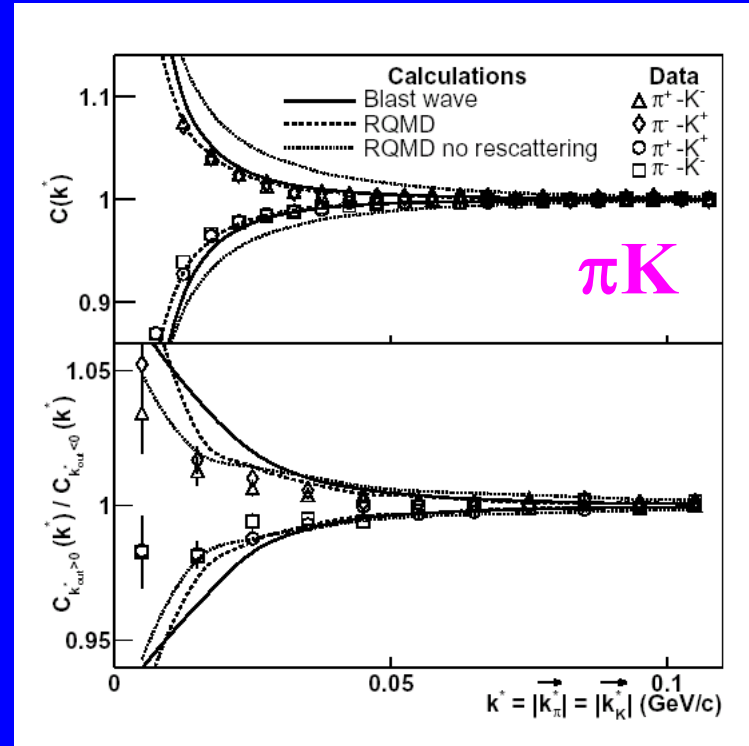
Pb+Pb central 158 AGeV

not corrected for $\sim 25\%$ impurity
 r^* RQMD scaled by 0.8



Au+Au central $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=130$ GeV

corrected for impurity



- **Mirror symmetry** (\sim same mechanism for + and - mesons)
- **RQMD, BW \sim OK \Rightarrow points to strong transverse flow**
 ($\langle \Delta t \rangle$ gives only $\sim 1/4$ of CF asymmetry)

Bound state production

- Dominated by **FSI** provided a small binding energy ε_b
- Closely related to production of free particles at $\mathbf{k}^* \rightarrow 0$

FSI theory: **Fermi** β -decay

Migdal, Watson, Sakharov, .. hadronic processes

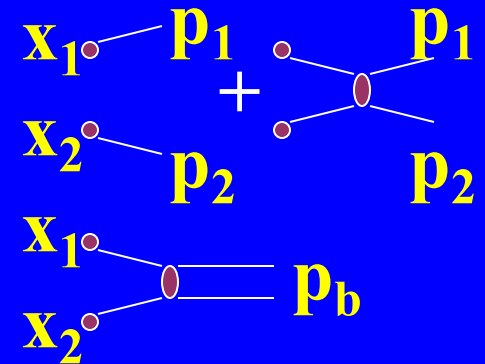
- **Continuum:**

$$d^6N/(d^3p_1 d^3p_2) = d^6N_0/(d^3p_1 d^3p_2) \langle |\psi_{-\mathbf{k}^*}(\mathbf{r}^*)|^2 \rangle$$

- **Discrete spectrum:**

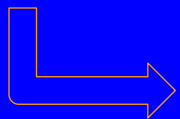
$$d^3N/d^3p_b = (2\pi)^3 \gamma_b d^6N_0/(d^3p_1 d^3p_2) \langle |\psi_b(\mathbf{r}^*)|^2 \rangle$$

$$p_1/m_1 \approx p_2/m_2 \approx p_b/m_b$$



$$\langle |\psi(\mathbf{r})|^2 \rangle = \int d^3r W_P(\mathbf{r}) |\psi(\mathbf{r})|^2$$

$W_P(\mathbf{r}^*)$ = normalised (to 1) distribution of
 $\mathbf{r}^* = \mathbf{x}_1^* - \mathbf{x}_2^*$ = emitter separation in pair cms



Basis of bound state coalescence femtoscopy 27

Coalescence: deuterons ..

$$E_d d^3N/d^3p_d = B_2 E_p d^3N/d^3p_p E_n d^3N/d^3p_n$$

$$p_p \approx p_n \approx \frac{1}{2} p_d$$

Coalescence factor: $B_2 = (2\pi)^3 (m_p m_n / m_d)^{-1} \rho_t \langle |\psi_b(r^*)|^2 \rangle$

Triplet fraction = $\frac{3}{4}$ \downarrow unpolarized Ns

Sato-Yazaki'81,
Mrowczynski'87
Lyuboshitz'88 ..

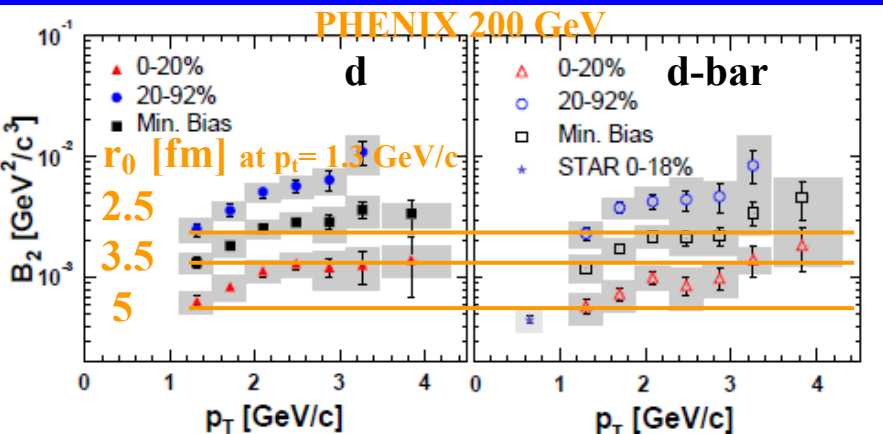
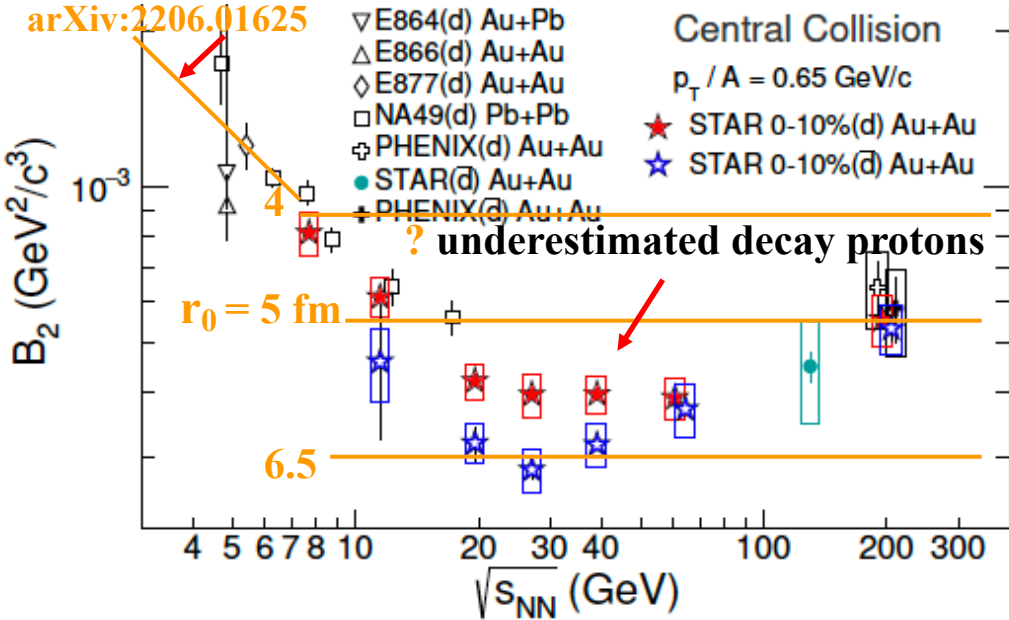
Assuming Gaussian r^* distribution $\exp(-r^2/4r_0^2)$, $|\psi_b(r)|^2 \sim \exp[-r^2/(8R_d^2/3)]$, where $R_d = 2.2$ fm is r.m.s. deuteron radius, and accounting for a boost $\gamma_t = m_{pt}/m_p$ from LCMS to PRF:

$$B_2 \approx \frac{3}{4} \pi^{3/2} 2 / [m_p (r_0^{2+2/3} R_d^2) (\gamma_t^2 r_0^{2+2/3} R_d^2)^{1/2}]$$

$$\xrightarrow{r_0^2 \gg R_d^2} \frac{3}{4} \pi^{3/2} 2 / (m_{pt} r_0^3) \text{ CoalM}$$

$$B_2 = \frac{3}{4} (2\pi)^3 2 / (m_p V) \text{ TherM}$$

? primordial nucleons in $B_2 \neq$ final nucleons & p's \neq n's



- $r_0(pp) \sim 4$ fm from AGS to RHIC central HICs
- Exp. $B_2 \uparrow$ with $\uparrow p_t$ and \downarrow centrality ($\downarrow r_0$) OK but B_2 too small (r_0 too high) at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} > 10$ GeV : ? residual decay protons & B_2 vs p_t too strong : ? box-like density Scheibl-Heinz'99

tp/d² ratio → density fluctuation measure

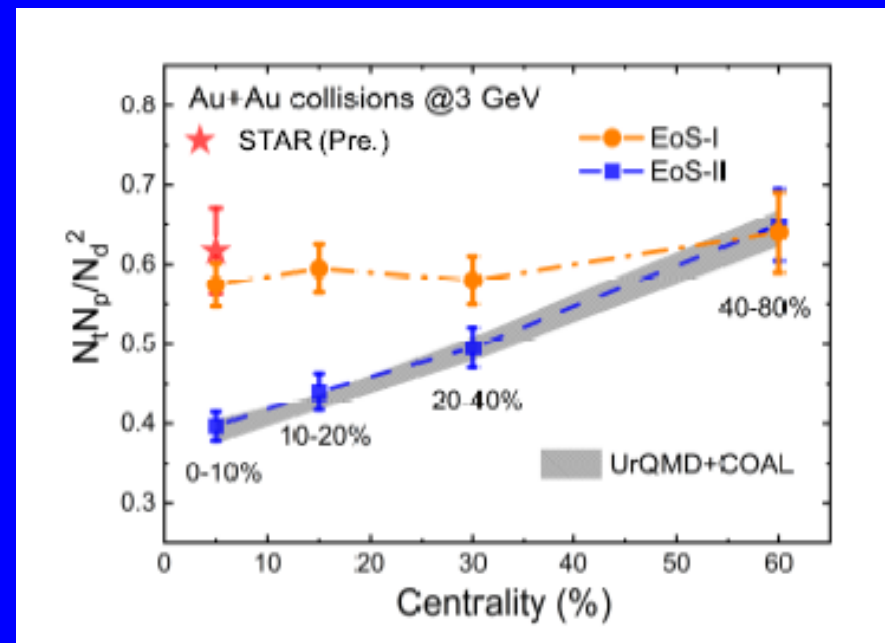
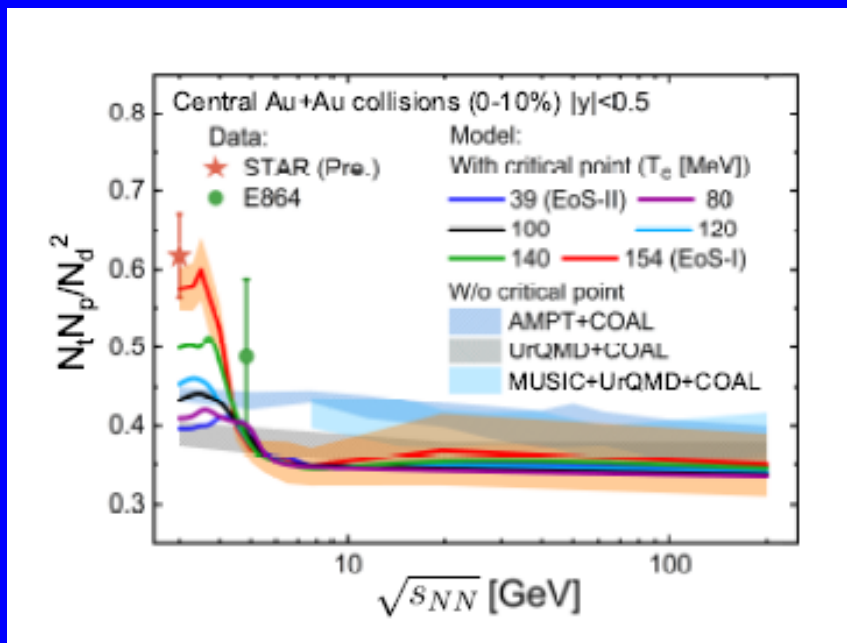
$$N_t N_p / N_d^2 \approx 0.29 \left(1 + \frac{\langle \delta n^2 \rangle}{\langle n \rangle^2} \right) \rightarrow \frac{4}{9} \left[1 + \left(\frac{1.14 \text{ fm}}{r_0} \right)^2 \right]^3$$

if $\langle \delta n^2 \rangle > 0$ due to **Gaussian source density only** & Gaussian radius $r_0 \gg 1 \text{ fm}$

⇒ then tp/d² ratio ↓ for central events ($r_0 \uparrow$)

The **1st order phase transition** leads to [Sun et al, arXiv:2205.11010] **increased fluctuations at 3-4 GeV** & **flat centrality dependence at 3-4 GeV**

OK: STAR 3 GeV arXiv:2208.04650, 2311.11020 [nucl-ex]



Correlation femtoscopy with nonid. particles

$p\Lambda$ CFs at AGS & SPS & STAR

Goal: No Coulomb suppression as in pp CF & Wang-Pratt'99 Stronger sensitivity to r_0

Scattering lengths, fm: $\begin{matrix} \text{singlet} & \text{triplet} \\ 2.31 & 1.78 \end{matrix}$
 Effective radii, fm: $\begin{matrix} 3.04 & 3.22 \end{matrix}$

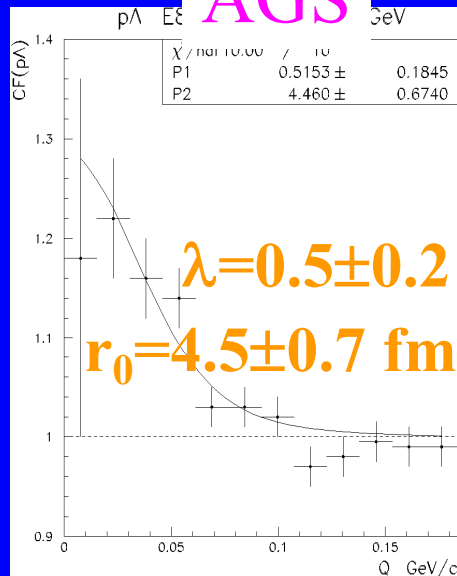
Fit using RL-Lyuboshitz'82 with

$r_0 \sim 3-4$ fm consistent with the radius from pp CF & m_t scaling

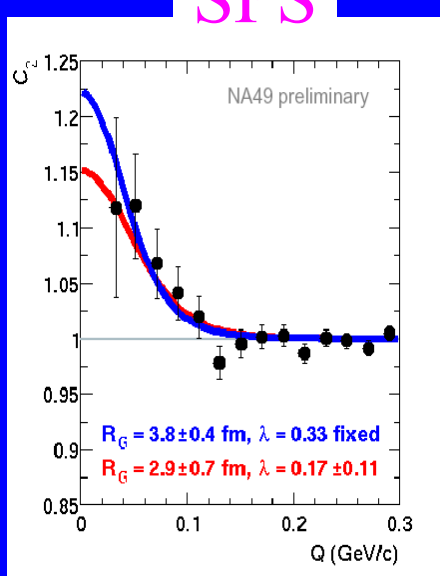
λ consistent with estimated pair purity 15-40%

? neglected residual parent correlations

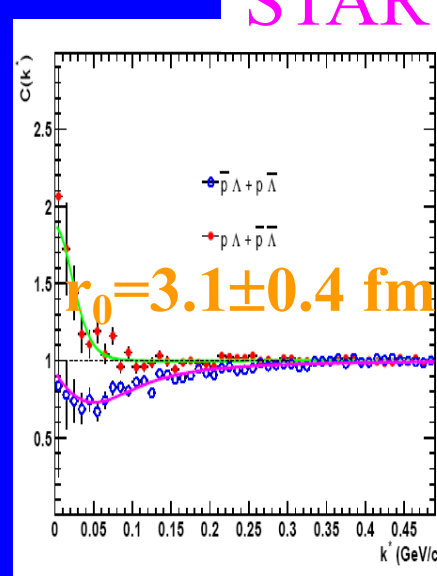
AGS



SPS



STAR



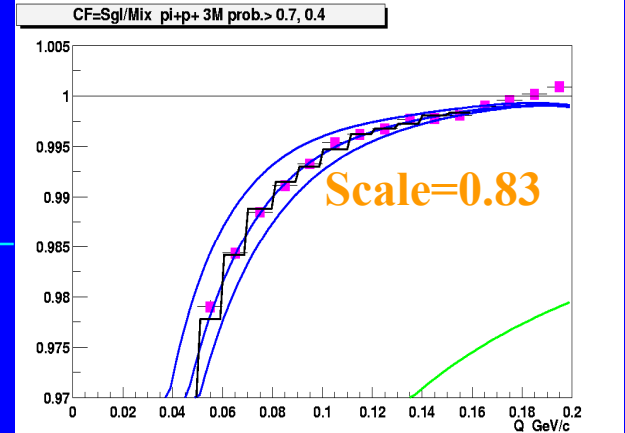
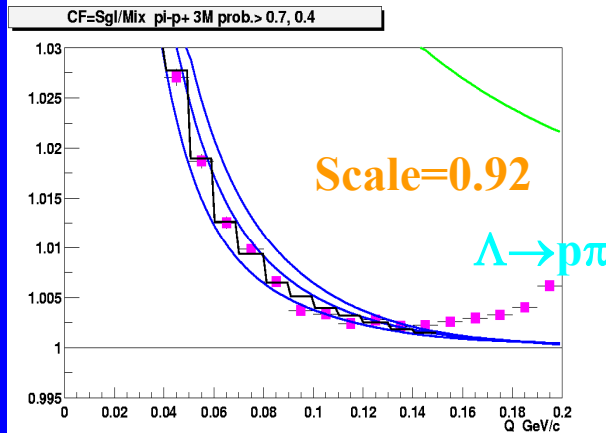
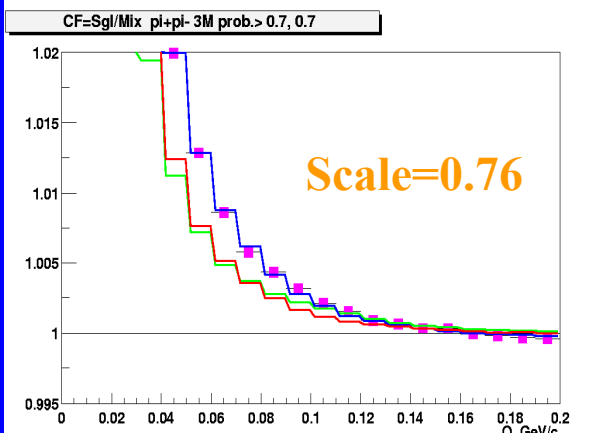
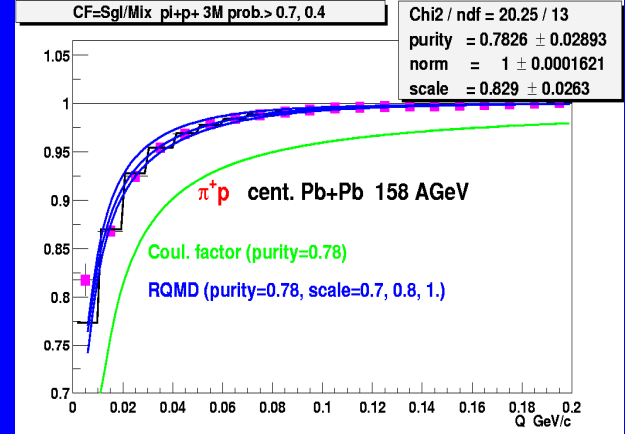
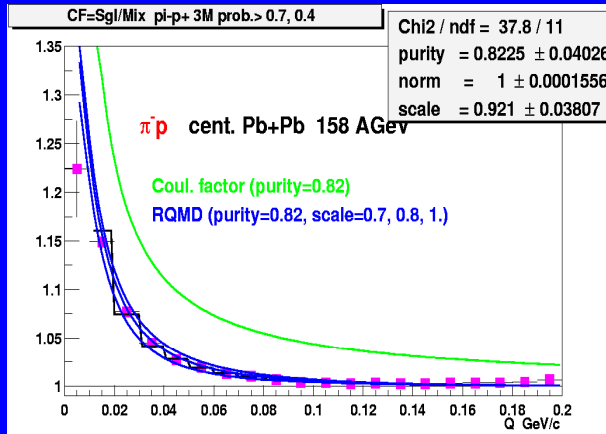
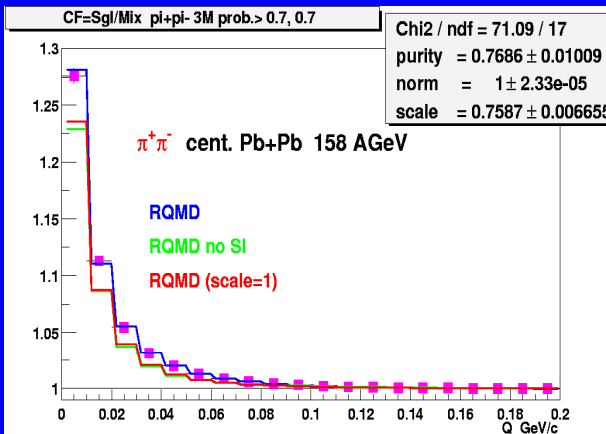
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$p_{\Lambda} - \Lambda_{\Xi}$	5
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NA49 central Pb+Pb 158 AGeV vs RQMD: FSI theory OK

Long tails in RQMD: $\langle r^* \rangle = 21$ fm for $r^* < 50$ fm
 29 fm for $r^* < 500$ fm

Fit **CF=Norm [Purity RQMD($r^* \rightarrow$ Scale $\cdot r^*$)+1-Purity]**

\Rightarrow RQMD overestimates r^* by 10-20% at SPS cf \sim OK at AGS
 worse at RHIC



Correlation study of strong interaction

$\pi^+\pi^-$ & $\Lambda\Lambda$ & $\bar{p}\Lambda$ & $\bar{p}\bar{p}$ s-wave scattering parameters
from NA49, STAR and ALICE (fits using LL'82 & Pot. models)

$\pi^+\pi^-$: NA49 Pb+Pb vs RQMD with SI scale: $f_0 \rightarrow$ **sisca** f_0 (=0.232fm)

sisca = 0.57 ± 0.07 compare with

~ 0.8 from $S\chi$ PT & K-decays & ponium lifetime

a suppression of $\pi\pi$ amplitude can be due to eq. time approx.

$\bar{p}\Lambda, \bar{B}\bar{B}$: STAR & ALICE data accounting for residual correlations

- Kisiel et al, PRC 89 (2014): assuming a universal $\text{Im}f_0$

- Shapoval et al PRC 92 (2015): Gauss. par. of residual CF

- ALICE arXiv:1903.06149: similar to Kisiel + free d_0

$\text{Re}f_0 \approx 0.5$ fm, $\text{Im}f_0 \approx 1$ fm, d_0 fixed 0 fm STAR

-1 fm 0.5 fm ≈ 2.7 fm ALICE

$\Lambda\Lambda$: STAR, PRL 114 (2015) Au+Au: $f_0(\Lambda\Lambda) \approx -1$ fm, $d_0(\Lambda\Lambda) \approx 8$ fm

ALICE, PLB 797(2019) p+p, p+Pb: prefer $f_0(\Lambda\Lambda) > 0$

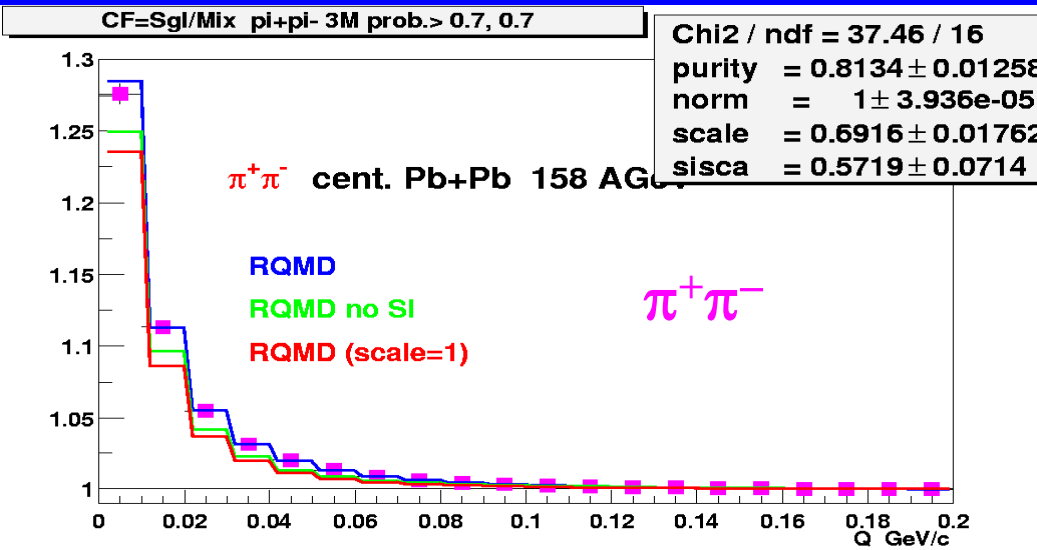
$p\bar{E}, p\Lambda$: ALICE (2019) p+Pb: substantial $p\bar{E}$ SI
(2021) p+p : $p\Lambda$ both agree with χ EFT potentials

$p\phi$: ALICE (2021) p+p: spin-aver. $\text{Re}f_0 \approx 0.9$ fm, $\text{Im}f_0 \approx 0.2$ fm, $d_0 \approx 8$ fm

$\bar{p}\bar{p}$: STAR Au+Au, Nature (2015): f_0 and d_0 coincide with table **pp**-values

Correlation study of strong interaction

$$CF = \text{Norm} [\text{Purity RQMD}(r^* \rightarrow \text{Scale} \cdot r^*) + 1 - \text{Purity}]$$



$\pi^+\pi^-$ scattering length f_0
from NA49 CF

Fit $CF(\pi^+\pi^-)$ by RQMD
with SI scale:

$$f_0 \rightarrow \text{sisca } f_0^{\text{input}}$$

$$f_0^{\text{input}} = 0.232 \text{ fm}$$

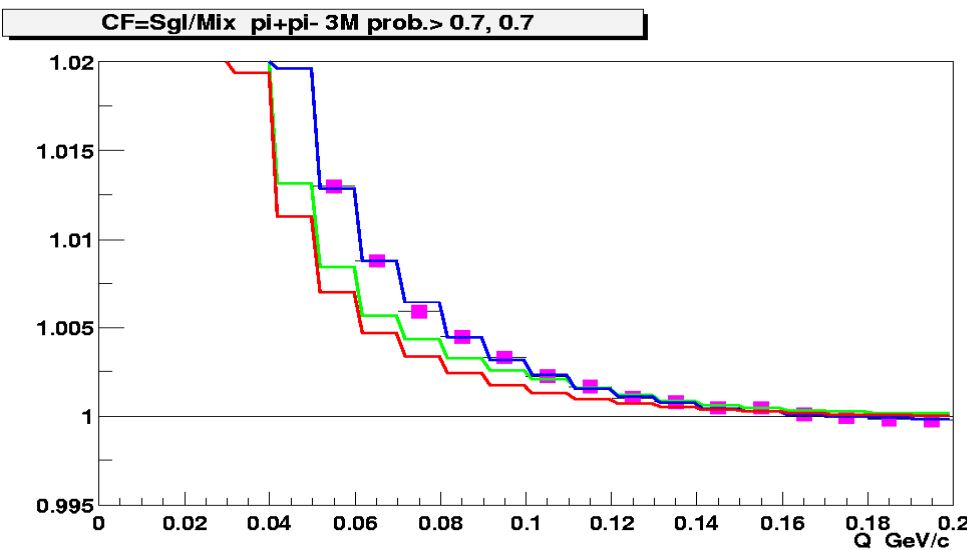
$$\text{sisca} = 0.57 \pm 0.07$$

differs 6σ from 1 and

$$3\sigma \text{ from } \sim 0.8$$

($f_0 = 0.186 \text{ fm}$ from $S\chi\text{PT}$ &
 $K \rightarrow e\nu\pi\pi, \pi\pi^0\pi^0$ & ponium lifetime)

$\rightarrow 3\sigma$ indication of f_0 suppression – likely
due to non-equal emission times in PRF



Correlation study of strong interaction

$\Lambda\Lambda$ scattering lengths f_0 from STAR(Au+Au)/ALICE (p+p, p+Pb) data

STAR fit using RL-Lyuboshitz '82:

$$\lambda \approx 0.18, \quad r_0 \approx 3 \text{ fm},$$

$$a_{\text{res}} \approx -0.04, \quad r_{\text{res}} \approx 0.4 \text{ fm}$$

$$f_0 \approx -1 \text{ fm}, \quad d_0 \approx 8 \text{ fm}$$

$$CF = 1 + \lambda \int \Delta CF^{\text{FSI}}$$

$$+ \sum_S \rho_S (-1)^S \exp(-r_0^2 Q^2) \int + a_{\text{res}} \exp(-r_{\text{res}}^2 Q^2)$$

$$\rho_0 = \frac{1}{4}(1-P^2) \quad \rho_1 = \frac{1}{4}(3+P^2) \quad P = \text{Polar.} = 0$$

$$\Delta CF^{\text{FSI}} = 2\rho_0 \left[\frac{1}{2} |f^0(k)/r_0|^2 (1 - d_0^0 / (2r_0 \sqrt{\pi})) \right.$$

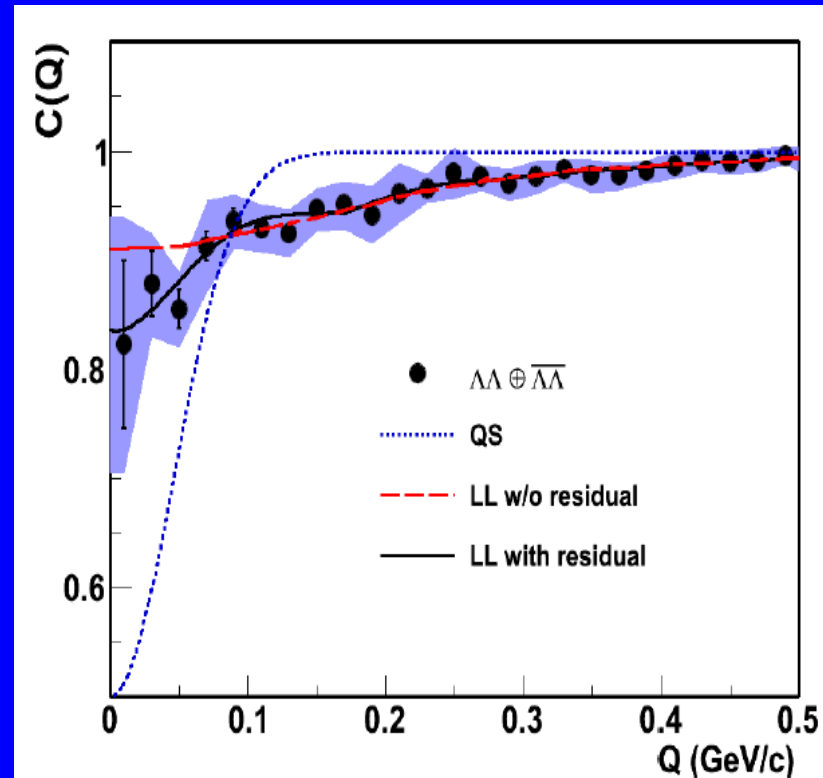
$$\left. + 2\text{Re}(f^0(k)/(r_0 \sqrt{\pi})) F_1(r_0 Q) \right.$$

$$\left. - \text{Im}(f^0(k)/r_0) F_2(r_0 Q) \right]$$

$$f^S(k) = (1/f_0^S + \frac{1}{2} d_0^S k^2 - ik)^{-1}, \quad k = Q/2$$

$$F_1(z) = \int_0^z dx \exp(x^2 - z^2)/z, \quad F_2(z) = [1 - \exp(-z^2)]/z$$

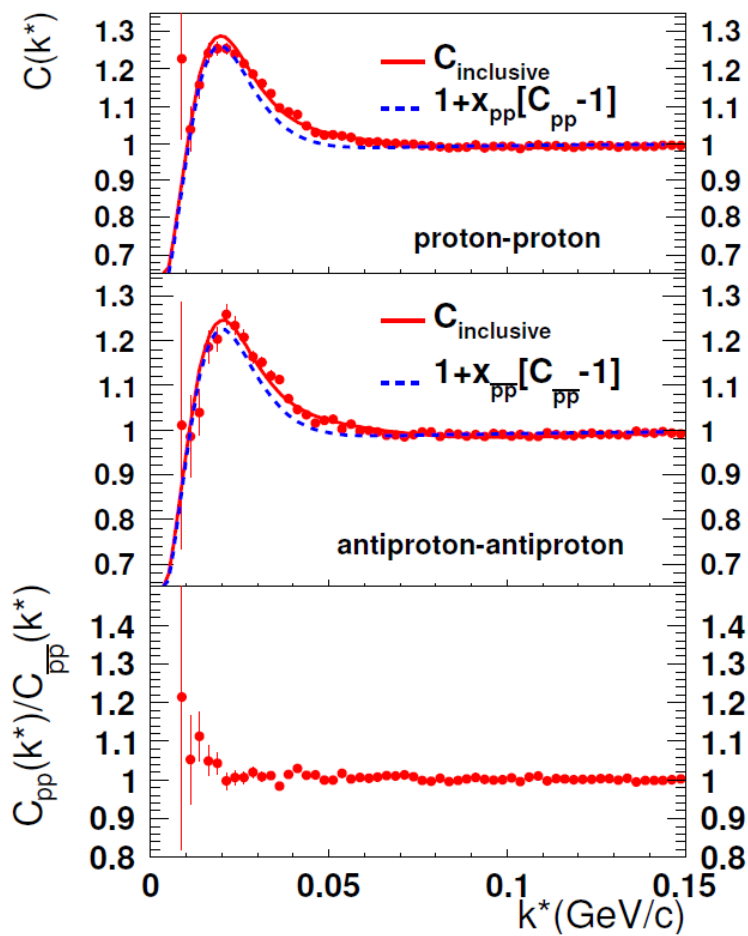
- no s-wave resonance
- deeply bound state possible: $\varepsilon_b \sim 0.5 \text{ GeV}$
- ALICE'19 data allow for a shallow bound state, assuming however a flat residual correlation
- a more correct treatment of residual correlations ($\Lambda\Sigma^0, \Lambda\Sigma^+$..) is required



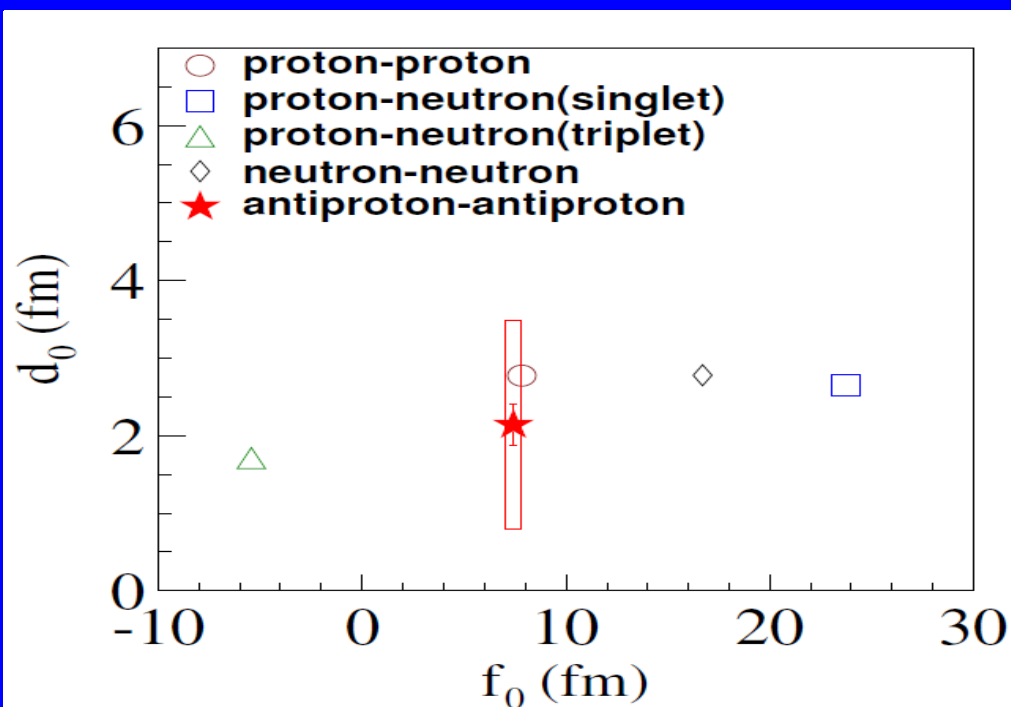
Correlation study of strong interaction

$\bar{p}\bar{p}$ s-wave scattering parameters from STAR Au+Au 200 GeV

$$C_{\text{inclusive}}(k^*) = 1 + x_{pp}[C_{pp}(k^*; R_{pp}) - 1] + x_{p\Lambda}[\tilde{C}_{p\Lambda}(k^*; R_{p\Lambda}) - 1] + x_{\Lambda\Lambda}[\tilde{C}_{\Lambda\Lambda}(k^*) - 1]$$



	DCA	x_{pp}	$x_{p\Lambda}$	$x_{\Lambda\Lambda}$
p-p	2cm	0.45	0.375	0.077
	1cm	0.51	0.335	0.055
pbar-pbar	2cm	0.42	0.385	0.092
	1cm	0.485	0.35	0.063

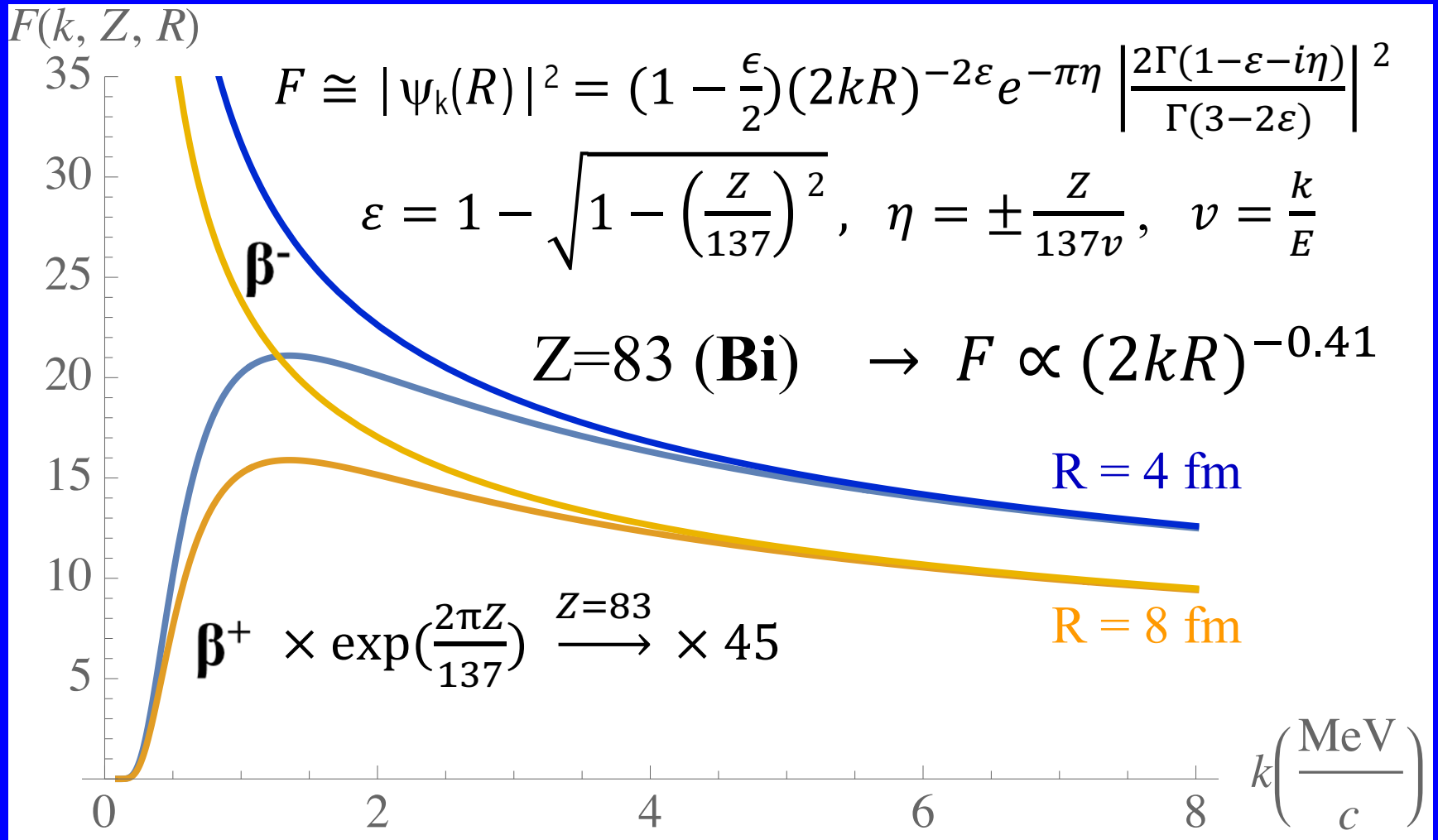


Summary

- The **femtoscopia theory** is validated in HICs; ? violation of **equal-time FSI approximation** for CFs involving pions.
- Wealth of data on correlations of various particle species π^\pm K^\pm ϕ p^\pm Λ Ξ .. is available & gives unique **space-time** info on the production characteristics including **collective flows**.
- Of particular importance is the **BES** femtoscopy in the search for the **CEP**, softening of **EoS** and corresponding increase of emission duration. The **nonidentical particle** correlations, in addition to the correlations of **identical particles**, yield important info on the **space and time shifts**.
- The **momentum correlations** yield valuable info on two-particle strong interaction: **scattering lengths & effective radii**, often hardly available by other means; the measurement of strong interaction involving strange particles is highly required to understand neutron stars.
- The **coalescence femtoscopy** provides important information on the properties of the excited hadronic matter; subtleties: nucleons from hyperon decays & neutron spectra & account of the non-FSI correlations.
- A good perspective: **high statistics correlation and coalescence data** from running & future experiments at RHIC, LHC & NICA, FAIR.

Thank you for the attention

Fermi function in β -decay



Assumptions to derive KP formula

$$CF - 1 = \langle \cos q\Delta x \rangle$$

- two-particle approximation (small freeze-out PS density f)
~ **OK**, $\langle f \rangle \ll 1$? low p_t **fig.**
- smoothness approximation: $R_{emitter} \ll R_{source} \Leftrightarrow \langle |\Delta p| \rangle \gg \langle |q| \rangle_{peak}$
~ **OK** in HIC, $R_{source}^2 \gg 0.1 \text{ fm}^2 \approx p_t^2$ -slope of direct particles
- neglect of FSI
OK for photons, ~ **OK** for charged pions up to Coul. repulsion
- incoherent or independent emission
 2π and 3π CF data **consistent** with **KP** formulae:
 $CF_3(123) = 1 + |\mathbf{F}(12)|^2 + |\mathbf{F}(23)|^2 + |\mathbf{F}(31)|^2 + 2\text{Re}[\mathbf{F}(12)\mathbf{F}(23)\mathbf{F}(31)]$
 $CF_2(12) = 1 + |\mathbf{F}(12)|^2$, $\mathbf{F}(q) = \langle e^{iqx} \rangle$

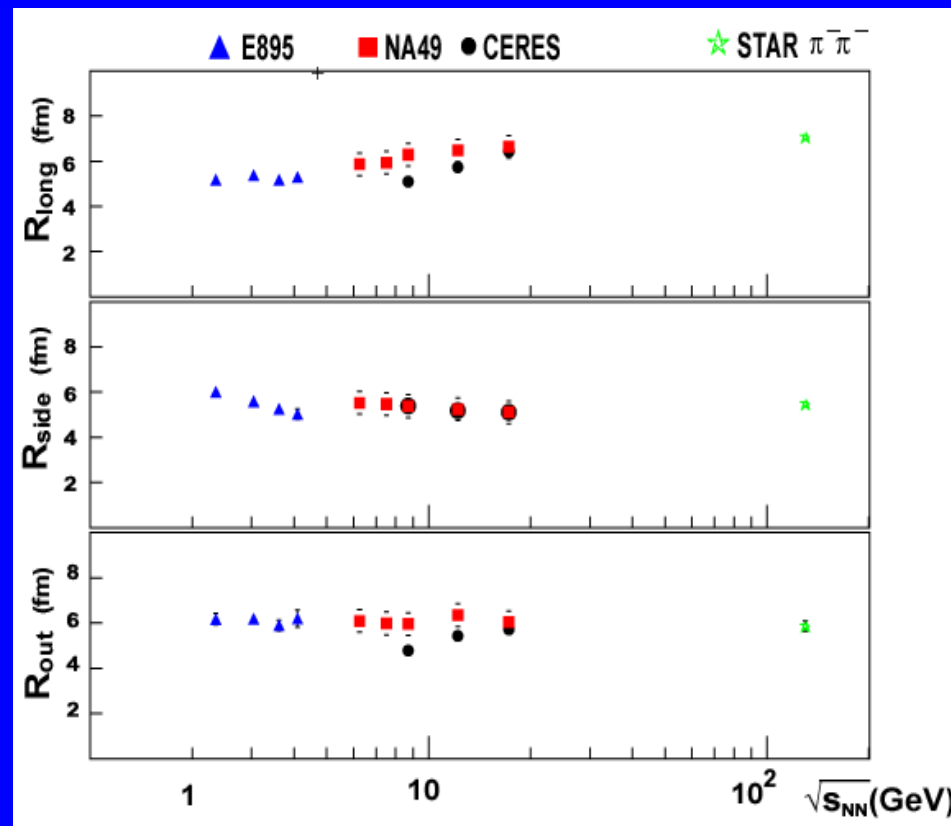
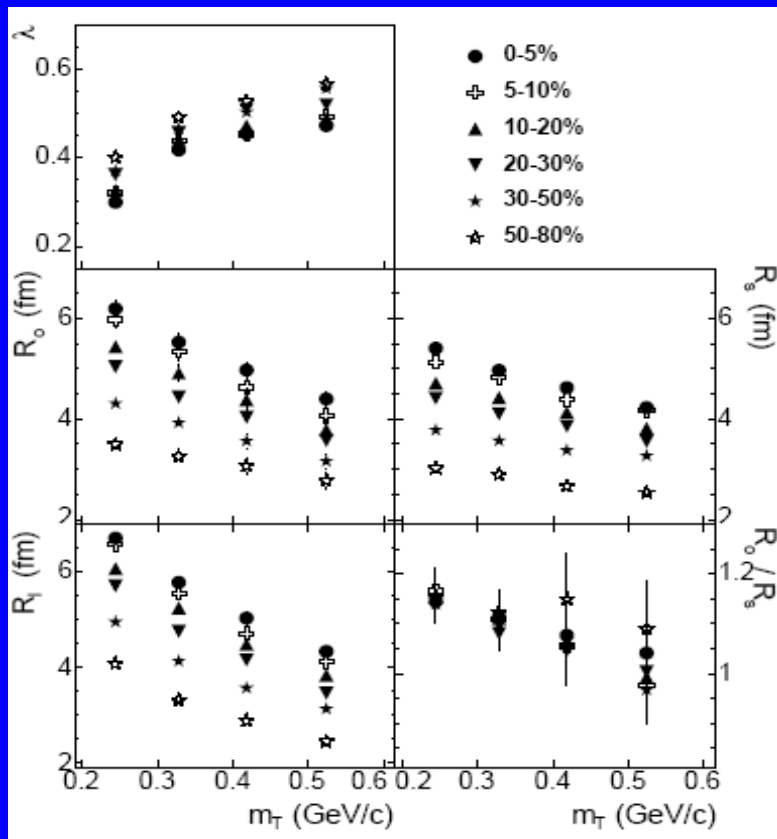
AGS → SPS → RHIC: $\pi\pi$ radii

Clear centrality & m_t dependence

Weak energy dependence

STAR Au+Au at 200 AGeV

0-5% central Pb+Pb or Au+Au



Radii \uparrow with centrality & \downarrow with m_t

only $R_{\text{long}} \uparrow$ with energy up to RHIC

$$\rightarrow R_{\text{long}} \approx \tau_0 (T/m_t)^{1/2}$$

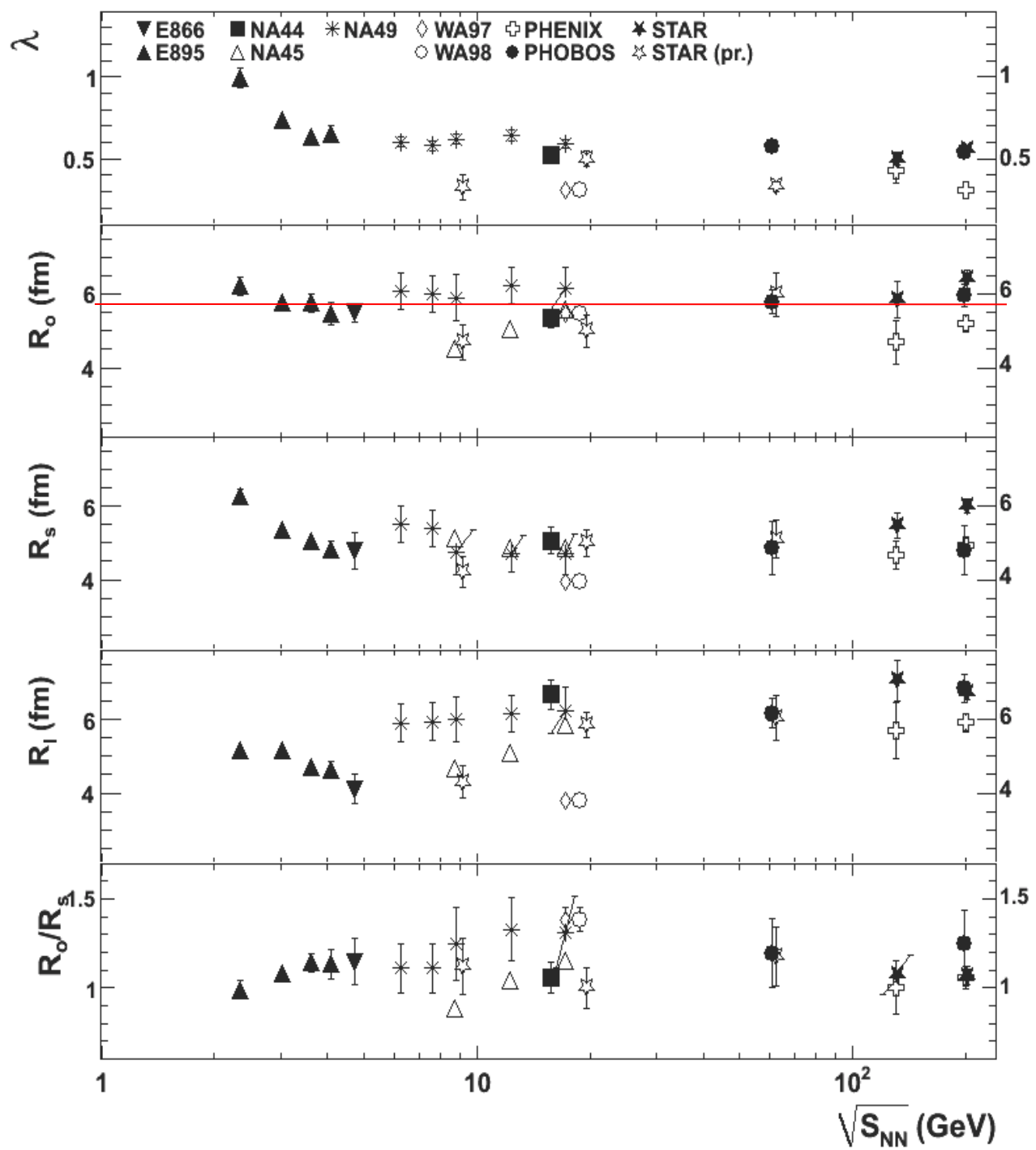
\rightarrow evolution (freeze-out) time $\tau_0 \sim 8-10$ fm/c

$$R_{\text{out}}^2 \approx \dots + v_t^2 (\Delta\tau)^2$$

\rightarrow emission duration $\Delta\tau \sim 2$ fm/c

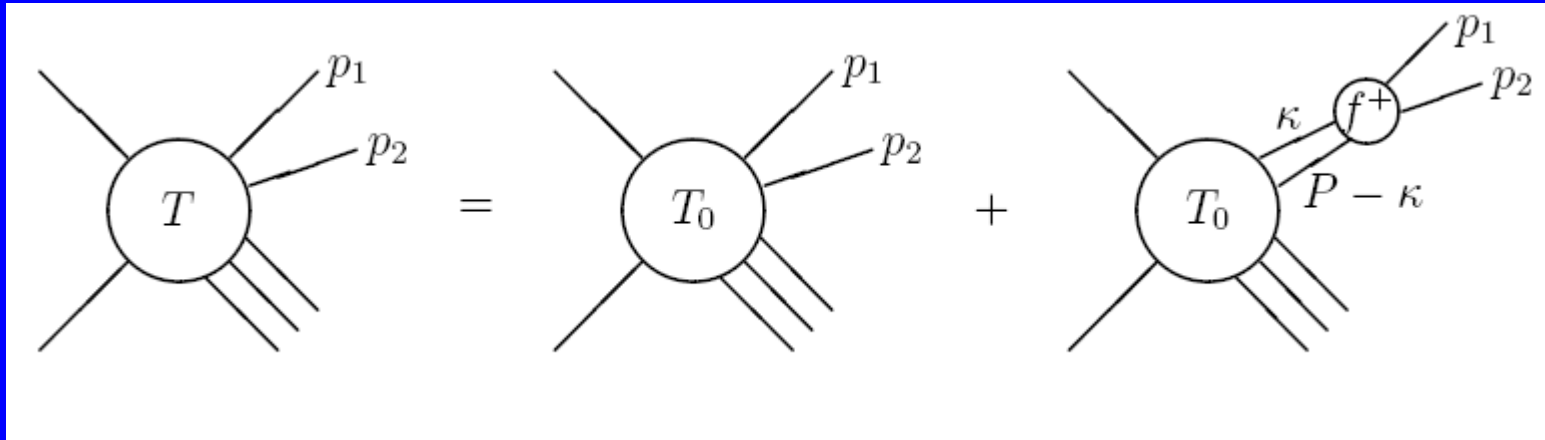
$$R_{\text{side}} \approx r_0 / (1 + m_t \rho_0^2 / T)^{1/2}$$

\rightarrow tr. collective flow rapidity $\rho_0 \sim 0.4-0.6$



Femto-puzzle II
No signal of a bump in R_{out} near the QGP threshold (expected at AGS-SPS energies) !? – likely solved due to a decrease of partonic phase at these energies

BS-amplitude Ψ



$$T(p_1, p_2; \alpha) = T_0(p_1, p_2; \alpha) + \Delta T(p_1, p_2; \alpha)$$

$$\Delta T(p_1, p_2; \alpha) = \frac{i\sqrt{P^2}}{2\pi^3} \int d^4\kappa \frac{T_0(\kappa, P - \kappa; \alpha) f^{S*}(p_1, p_2; \kappa, P - \kappa)}{(\kappa^2 - m_1^2 - i0)[(P - \kappa)^2 - m_2^2 - i0]}$$

Inserting KP amplitude $T_0(p_1, p_2; \alpha) = u_A(p_1)u_B(p_2)\exp(-ip_1x_A - ip_2x_B)$ in ΔT and taking the amplitudes $u_A(\kappa)u_B(P - \kappa)$ out of the integral at $\kappa \approx p_1, P - \kappa \approx p_2$ (again “smoothness assumption”) \Rightarrow

Plane waves $\exp(-ip_1x_A - ip_2x_B) \rightarrow$ BS-amplitude $\Psi_{p_1 p_2}(x_A, x_B) :$

$$T(p_1, p_2; \alpha) = u_A(p_1)u_B(p_2) \Psi_{p_1 p_2}(x_A, x_B)$$

“Fermi-like eq. time” CF formula

$$CF = \langle |\psi_{-k^*}(r^*)|^2 \rangle$$

Koonin'77: heuristic generalization of KP CF for identical noninteracting particles
to interacting nonrelativistic protons

RL, Lyuboshitz'82: derivation of the smoothness approx. to CF of any interacting particles
relativistic & polarized & **nonidentical** & accounting for **nonequal times**

Assumptions:

- same as for **KP** formula in case of pure QS &

- equal time approximation in PRF

RL, Lyuboshitz'82 → eq. time conditions:

OK (usually, to several % even for pions) **fig.**

$$|t^*| \ll m_{1,2} r^{*2}$$
$$|k^* t^*| \ll m_{1,2} r^*$$

- $t_{\text{FSI}} = d\delta/dE \gg t_{\text{prod}}$

$t_{\text{FSI}}(\text{s-wave}) = \mu f_0/k^* \rightarrow |k^*| = 1/2|q^*| \ll \text{hundreds MeV}/c$
 $\approx \text{typical momentum transfer in production}$

RL, Lyuboshitz ..'98:

& account for **coupled channels** (within the same isomultiplet **only**):

$$\pi^+\pi^-\leftrightarrow\pi^0\pi^0, \pi^-p\leftrightarrow\pi^0n, K^+K^-\leftrightarrow K^0\bar{K}^0, \dots$$

Pair purity problem for pΛ CF @ STAR

Particle	Identification	Fraction Primary
p	$76 \pm 7\%$	$52 \pm 4\%$
\bar{p}	$74 \pm 7\%$	$48 \pm 4\%$
Λ	$86 \pm 6\%$	$45 \pm 4\%$
$\bar{\Lambda}$	$86 \pm 6\%$	$45 \pm 4\%$

⇒ **PairPurity ~ 15%**

Assuming no correlation for misidentified particles and particles from weak decays

$$\rightarrow C_{measured}^{corr}(k^*) = \frac{C_{measured}(k^*) - 1}{\text{PairPurity}} + 1$$

$$C(k^*) = 1 + \sum_S \rho_S \left[\frac{1}{2} \left| \frac{f^S(k^*)}{r_0} \right|^2 \left(1 - \frac{d_0^S}{2\sqrt{\pi}r_0} \right) + \frac{2\Re f^S(k^*)}{\sqrt{\pi}r_0} F_1(Qr_0) - \frac{\Im f^S(k^*)}{r_0} F_2(Qr_0) \right],$$

← Fit using **RL-Lyuboshitz'82** (for np)

where $F_1(z) = \int_0^z dx e^{x^2 - z^2} / z$ and $F_2(z) = (1 - e^{-z^2}) / z$.

$$f^S(k^*) = \left(\frac{1}{f_0^S} + \frac{1}{2} d_0^S k^{*2} - ik^* \right)^{-1}$$

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← but, there can be residual correlations for particles from weak decays requiring knowledge of $\Lambda\Lambda$, $p\Sigma$, $\Lambda\Sigma$, $\Sigma\Sigma$, $p\Xi$, $\Lambda\Xi$, $\Sigma\Xi$ correlations

Thermal Model

Thermal equilibrium in nonrel. limit: $T, \mu_i \ll E \sim m_i$

$$\frac{d^3N_i/d^3p}{Vg_i(2\pi)^{-3}\exp[-(E-\mu_i)/T]}$$

$g_i = 2S_i + 1$ = spin factor,
 μ_i = chemical potential,
 T = temperature

$$g_p = g_n = 2, \quad g_d = 3, \quad \mu_d = \mu_p + \mu_n, \\ E_d = E_p + E_n$$



$$B_2 = \frac{E_d d^3N/d^3p_d}{(E_p d^3N/d^3p_p E_n d^3N/d^3p_n)} \\ = \frac{3}{4}(2\pi)^3 2 / (m_p V)$$

coincides with Coalescence Model
 B_2 in large volume limit

$$V^{1/3} = 2\sqrt{\pi} r_0 \gg R_d$$

Coalescence Model

B_A is decreased due to finite bound state r.m.s. radius R_A :

$$r_0^2 \rightarrow r_0^2 + \frac{2}{3} R_d^2 \quad A = {}^2\text{H} = d \\ r_0^2 \rightarrow r_0^2 + \frac{4}{9} R_\alpha^2 \quad {}^4\text{He} = \alpha$$

$\Rightarrow B_A$ ratios for nuclei with different radii depend on centrality (incr. with r_0)

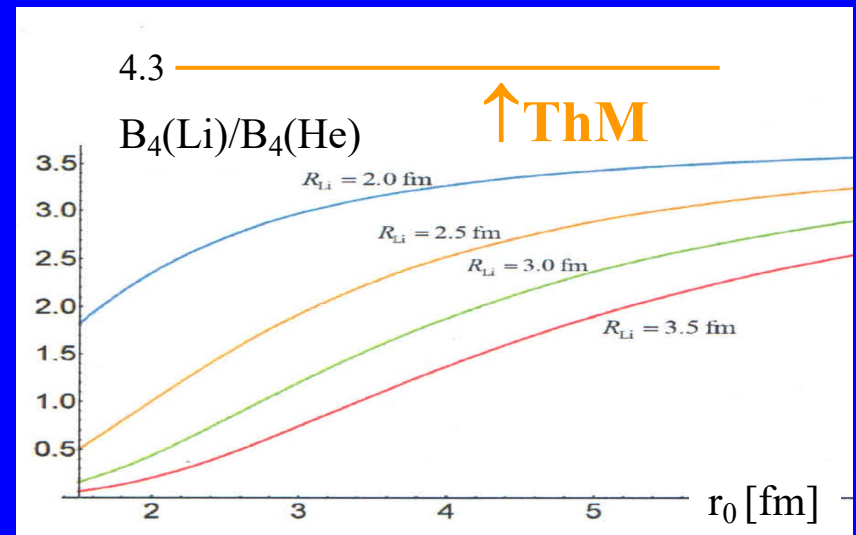
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loose ${}^4\text{Li}$ vs compact ${}^4\text{He}$: $R_{\text{Li}} > R_\alpha = 1.68 \text{ fm}$

Ratio = $B_4({}^4\text{Li})/B_4({}^4\text{He})$

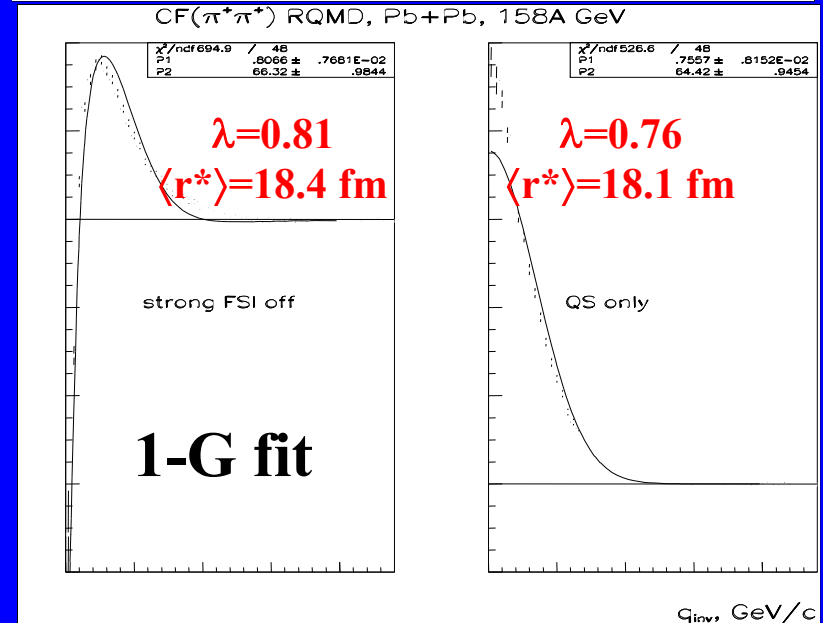
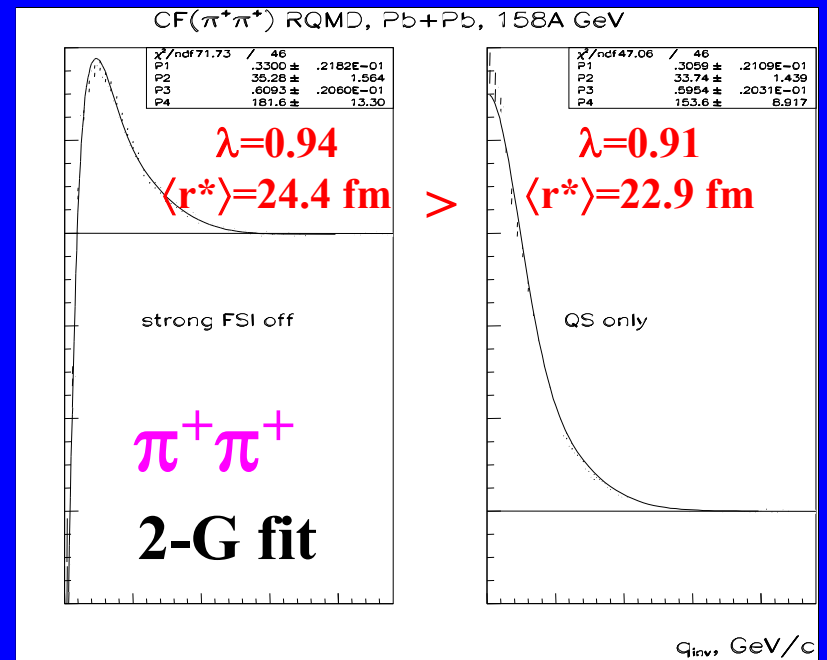
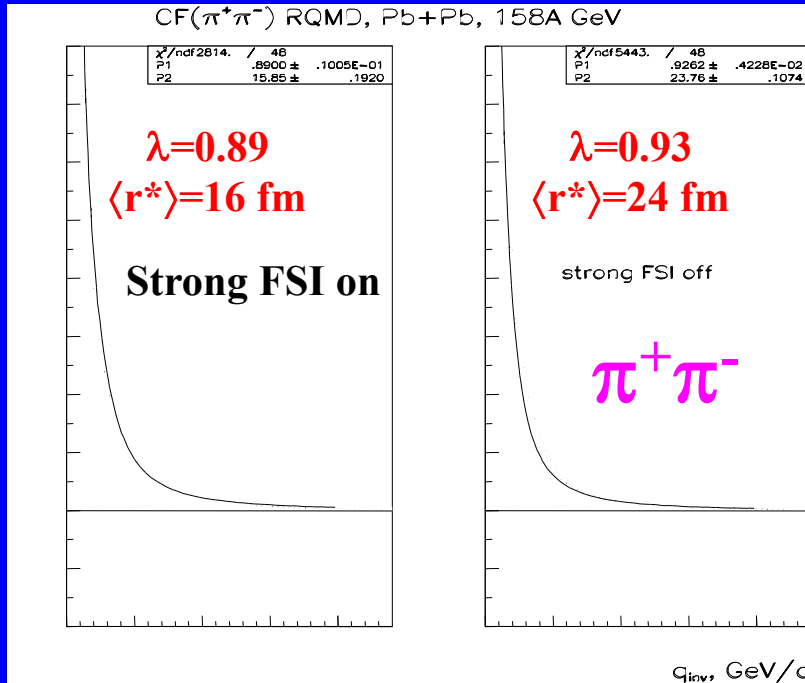
~ 5 in ThM ($S_{\text{Li}} = 2, S_\alpha = 0$) Ratio indep. of r_0

< 5 in CoM Ratio \uparrow with $\uparrow r_0$ (centrality)



Tails in RQMD:

$\langle r^* \rangle = 21 \text{ fm}$ for $r^* < 50 \text{ fm}$
 29 fm for $r^* < 500 \text{ fm}$



- Strong FSI important for $\pi^+\pi^-$
- 1-G fit: $\lambda(\pi^+\pi^+) \approx 0.8$, $\langle r^* \rangle$ 25% ↓
- 2-G fit: $\pi^+\pi^+ \approx \pi^+\pi^-$
 $\langle r^* \rangle_{\text{QS}} < \langle r^* \rangle_{\text{Coul}}$

Femtoscscopy with nonidentical particles

$$CF = \langle |\psi_{-\mathbf{k}^*}(\mathbf{r}^*)|^2 \rangle$$

Be careful when comparing **QS** ($\pi^+\pi^+$..) and **FSI** correlations ($\pi^+\pi^-$..) \rightarrow different sensitivity to \mathbf{r}^* -distribution **tails**

\rightarrow **QS & strong FSI**: non-Gaussian \mathbf{r}^* -tail influences only first few bins in $Q=2\mathbf{k}^*$ and its effect is mainly absorbed in suppression parameter λ

\rightarrow **Coulomb FSI**: sensitive to \mathbf{r}^* -tail up to $\mathbf{r}^* \sim$ Bohr radius

$ a = z_1z_2e^2\mu ^{-1}$	$\pi\pi$	πK	πp	KK	pp
fm	388	249	223	110	58

\Rightarrow In Gaussian fits one may expect $r_0(\pi^+\pi^+) < r_0(\pi^+\pi^-)$

\rightarrow Use realistic models like transport codes