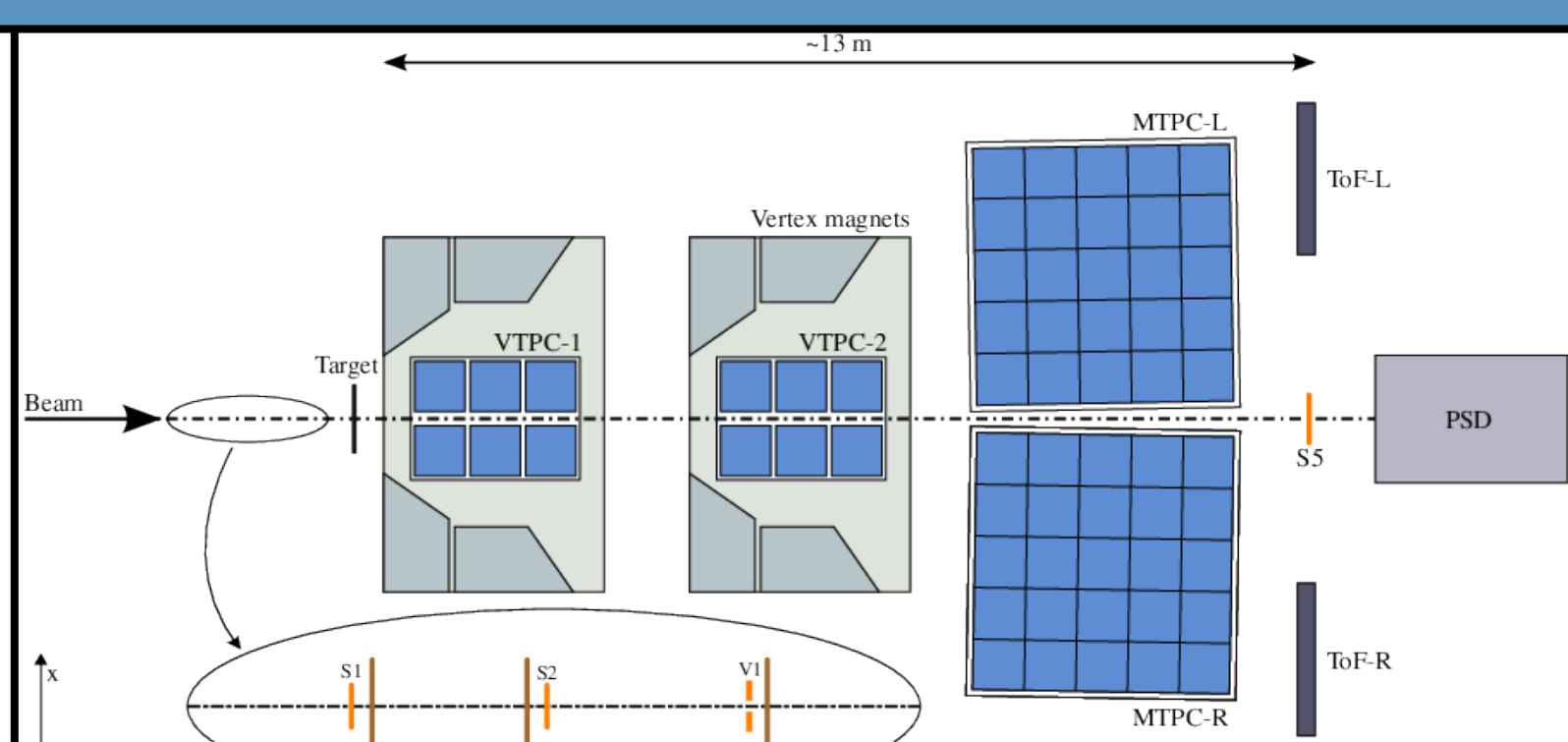


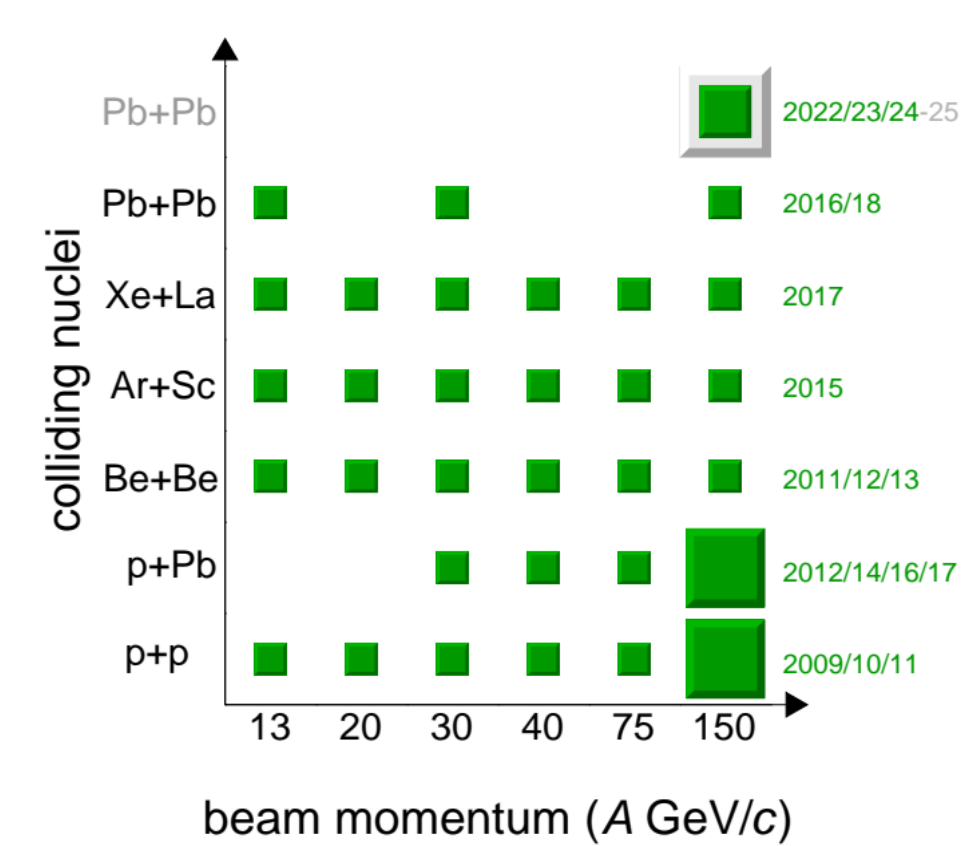
Summary

- ◆ 1D two particle pion femtoscopy
- ◆ ${}^7\text{Be}+{}^9\text{Be}$, ${}^{40}\text{Ar}+{}^{48}\text{Sc}$
- 13 A GeV/c, 19 A GeV/c, 30 A GeV/c, 40 A GeV/c, 75 A GeV/c, 150 A GeV/c
- ◆ Non Gaussian source shape
- Symmetric Lévy assumption valid
- ◆ Small non-monotonicity, no clear indication of the Critical Point

NA61/SHINE



- ◆ Large acceptance hadron spectrometer
- ◆ Covering the full forward hemisphere
- ◆ Energy and system size scan
- ◆ Search for the critical point
- ◆ Upgrade LS2 – data taking rate up by 20x



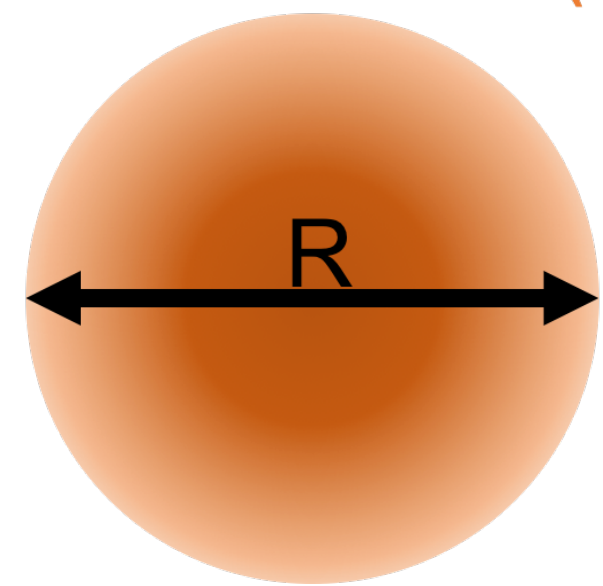
FEMTOSCOPY

- ◆ Tool to measure spatial correlations in heavy ion and hadron collisions
- ◆ Femtometer scale study of momentum difference correlations of identical bosons
- ◆ Pair source distribution:

$$D(r, K) = \int S\left(\rho + \frac{r}{2}, K\right) S\left(\rho - \frac{r}{2}, K\right) d^4\rho$$

- ◆ Correlation function: $C(Q, K) = \int d^4r D(r, K) |\psi_Q(r)|^2$
- ◆ Experiments: measure $C(Q)$, gather info on $D(r)$ and FSI

Source function $S(r)$

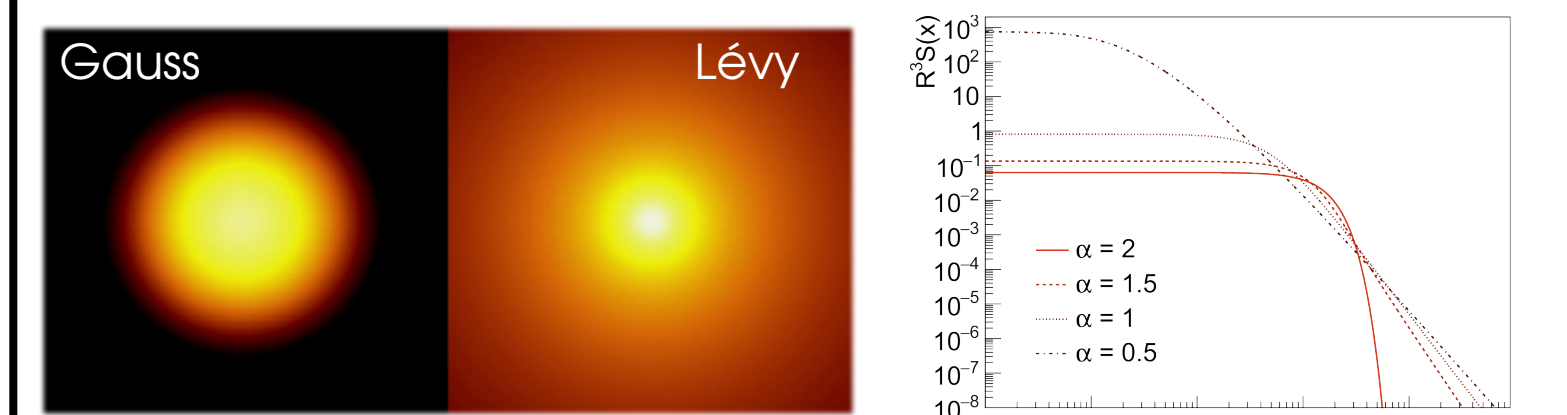


Correlation

$$C(Q) = 1 + |\tilde{S}(Q)|^2$$

LÉVY DISTRIBUTIONS

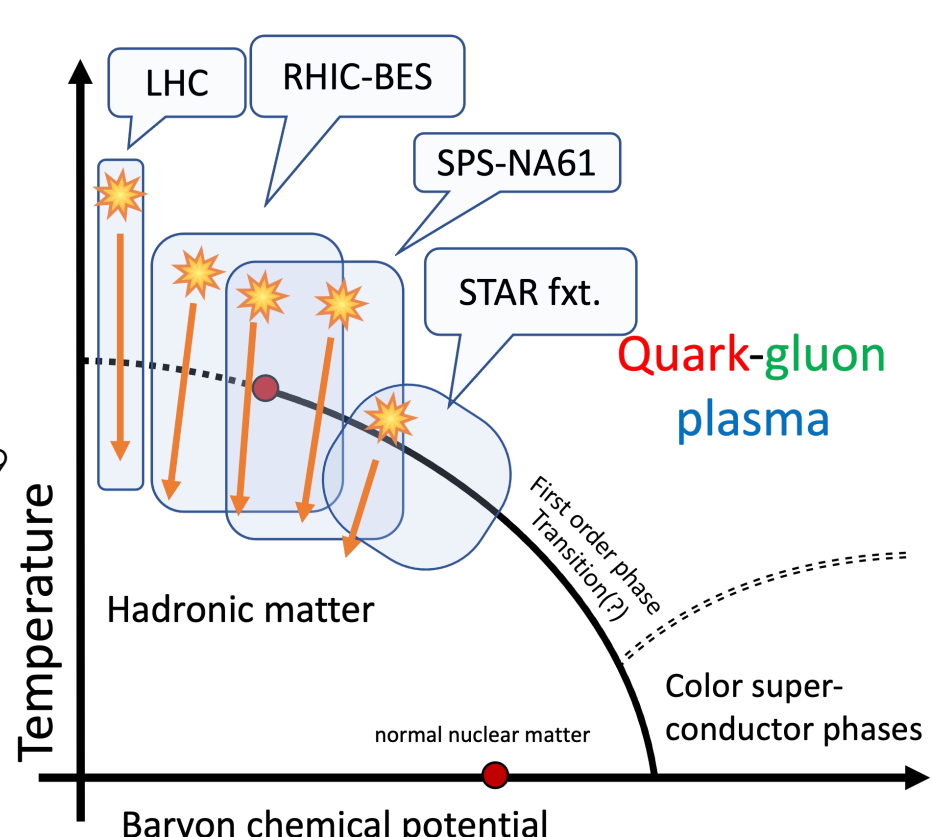
- ◆ $S(r)$ is frequently assumed to be Gaussian
- ◆ Gaussian $C(Q)$ → experimental data not supporting
- ◆ Central Limit Theorem not satisfied?
- ◆ Generalized Central Limit Theorem?
- ◆ Leads to Lévy distribution
- $\mathcal{L}(\alpha, R; r) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int d^3q e^{iqr} e^{-\frac{1}{2}|qR|^\alpha}$
- ◆ $\alpha = 2 \rightarrow$ Gaussian $\alpha < 2 \rightarrow$ power-law tail
- $\alpha = 1 \rightarrow$ Cauchy $\sim r^{-(1+\alpha)}$
- ◆ Correlation func. with Lévy shaped source $C(Q) = 1 + \lambda \cdot e^{-|QR|^\alpha}$



- ◆ Why does Lévy shape appear?
- ◆ Lévy walk
- ◆ QCD jets
- ◆ Criticality

CRITICALITY

- ◆ Fluctuations appear at all scales near Critical Point
- ◆ Spatial correlations exhibit power-law near CP $\sim r^{-(d-2+\eta)}$
- ◆ QCD universality class \leftrightarrow 3D Ising
- ◆ Lévy power-law tail + spatial correlations $\alpha \simeq \eta$
- ◆ Possible to measure shape & CP proximity!



FINAL STATE INTERACTIONS

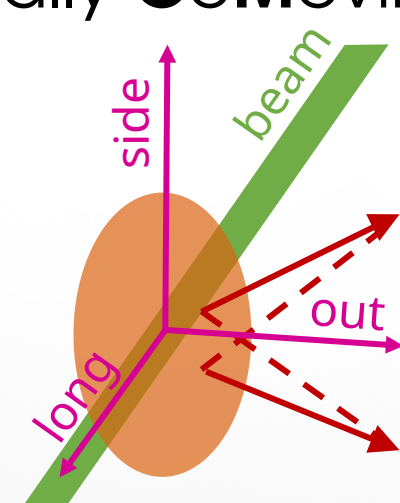
- ◆ Like charged pion pairs → Coulomb interaction → Coulomb correction
- ◆ Resonance pions reduce correlation → Two component pion source
- ◆ S_{core} - primordial pions, size ≤ 10 fm
- ◆ S_{halo} - long lived resonances, large size
- ◆ Formula with all FSI included:

$$K_{\text{Coul}}(Q; \alpha, R) = \frac{C_2^{\text{Coulomb}}(Q)}{C_2^0(Q)}$$

$$C(Q) = 1 - \lambda + \left(1 + e^{-|QR|^\alpha}\right) \cdot \lambda \cdot K_{\text{Coul}}(Q; \alpha, R)$$

ANALYSIS

- ◆ Two particle pion femtoscopy
- ◆ System size scan at 150 A GeV/c:
- ◆ ${}^7\text{Be}+{}^9\text{Be}$, ${}^{40}\text{Ar}+{}^{48}\text{Sc}$, ${}^{129}\text{Xe}+{}^{139}\text{La}$ (ongoing)
- ◆ Energy scan in Ar+Sc completed:
- ◆ 13 A GeV/c, 19 A GeV/c, 30 A GeV/c, 40 A GeV/c, 75 A GeV/c, 150 A GeV/c
- ◆ Particle identification via dE/dx
- ◆ 1D momentum difference q in Longitudinally CoMoving System

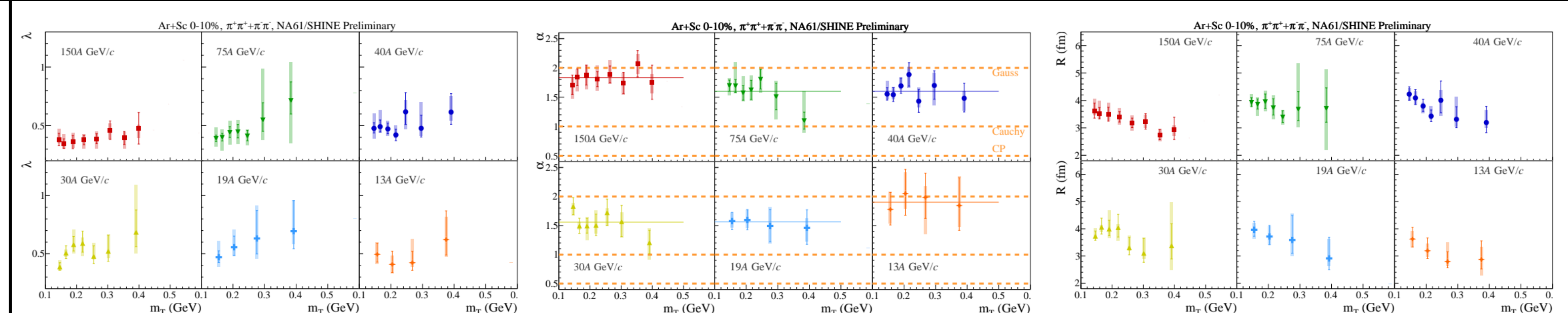


- ◆ Be+Be at 0-20% centrality NA61/SHINE, ERJC 83 (2023) 10, 919
- ◆ Ar+Sc at 0-10% centrality

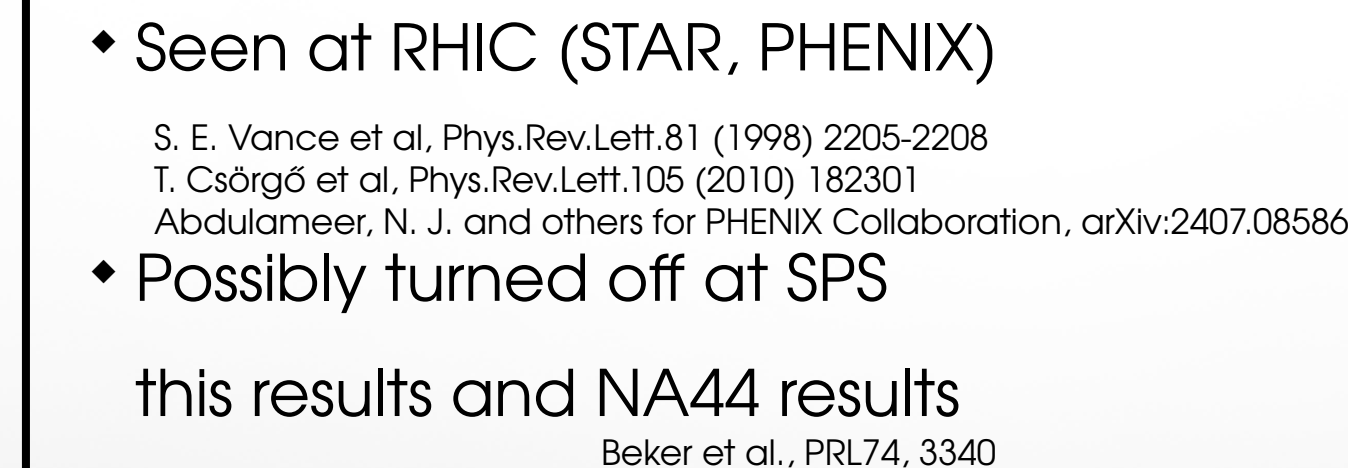
$$K_T = \sqrt{K_x^2 + K_y^2}$$

$$m_T \equiv \sqrt{m_\pi^2 + (K_T/c)^2}$$

ENERGY SCAN RESULTS



- ◆ Correlation strength $\lambda = \left(\frac{N_{\text{core}}}{N_{\text{core}} + N_{\text{halo}}}\right)^2$
- ◆ No clear m_T dependence
- ◆ No visible hole at low- m_T
- ◆ Seen at RHIC (STAR, PHENIX)
- ◆ Possibly turned off at SPS
- ◆ Lévy stability index α
- ◆ Shape of spatial correlation & related to CP
- ◆ No clear m_T dependence
- ◆ fit with constant → interesting trend



- ◆ Lévy scale parameter R
- ◆ Length of homogeneity
- ◆ m_T dependence → collective flow
- ◆ Hydro prediction: $R \approx 1/m_T$ (for non power-law tail)
- ◆ When does Lévy shape appear?
- ◆ After hydro phase?
- ◆ Why does it follow hydro prediction?