

Effects of Collision Dynamics on Interaction Study via Femtoscopy

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Basics of Femtoscopy

- Correlation Function
- Koonin-Pratt Formula
- Current Situation

Momentum correlations in **high-energy nuclear collisions**
→ Useful for studying **low-energy hadron interactions**

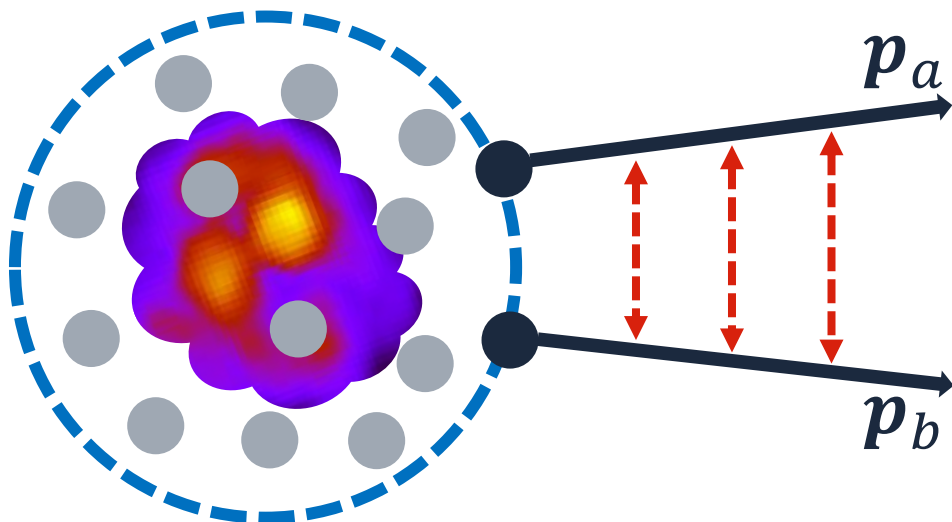
Correlation Function (CF) at Pair Rest Frame ($\mathbf{P} = 0$)

$$C(\mathbf{q}) := \frac{N_{\text{pair}}(\mathbf{p}_a, \mathbf{p}_b)}{N_a(\mathbf{p}_a) N_b(\mathbf{p}_b)}$$

Total momentum: $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{p}_a + \mathbf{p}_b$
Relative momentum: $\mathbf{q} = \frac{m_b \mathbf{p}_a - m_a \mathbf{p}_b}{m_a + m_b}$

Two-particle momentum dist.: $N_{\text{pair}}(\mathbf{p}_a, \mathbf{p}_b)$

One-particle momentum dist.: $N_a(\mathbf{p}_a)$



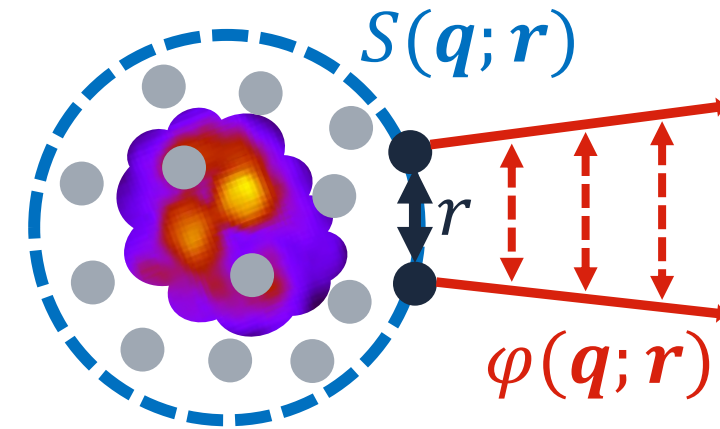
Hadron CF provides insights into

- **Space-time structure of the matter**
- **Final state hadron interactions**

Koonin-Pratt formula S. E. Koonin, PLB **70**, 43 (1977); S. Pratt, PRL **53**, 1219 (1984)

Under several assumptions,

$$C(\mathbf{q}) = \int d^3r S(\mathbf{q}; \mathbf{r}) |\varphi(\mathbf{q}; \mathbf{r})|^2$$



From experimental correlation function

- Input: hadron interaction → Output: source function
- Input: source function → Output: hadron interaction

Focusing on low- q region with chaotic source and closed system assumptions
→ **Steady-state Schrödinger eq. with central force**

Partial-wave expansion

$$\varphi(\mathbf{q}; \mathbf{r}) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (2l + 1) i^l \varphi_l(q; r) P_l(\cos\theta)$$

For each $^{2S+1}L_J$ channel,

$$\left[-\frac{1}{2\mu} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} + V(r) + \frac{1}{2\mu} \frac{l(l+1)}{r^2} \right] u_l(q; r) = \frac{q^2}{2\mu} u_l(q; r)$$

$$u_l := r \varphi_l$$
$$\mu = \frac{m_a m_b}{m_a + m_b}$$

For non-identical pair,

Spherical SF
 $S(q; r)$

Only s-wave scattering

$$\varphi(\mathbf{q}; \mathbf{r}) = \exp(i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}) - j_0(qr) + \varphi_0(q; r)$$

Plane-wave
Plane-wave
WF
(s-wave)
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$$C(\mathbf{q}) = \int d^3r S(\mathbf{q}; \mathbf{r}) |\varphi(\mathbf{q}; \mathbf{r})|^2$$

$$= 1 + \int_0^\infty dr 4\pi r^2 S(q; r) [|\varphi_0(q; r)|^2 - |j_0(qr)|^2]$$

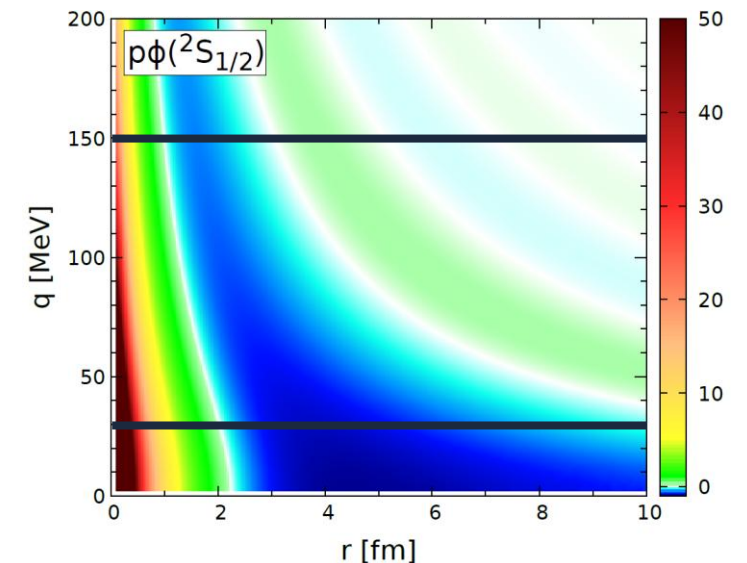
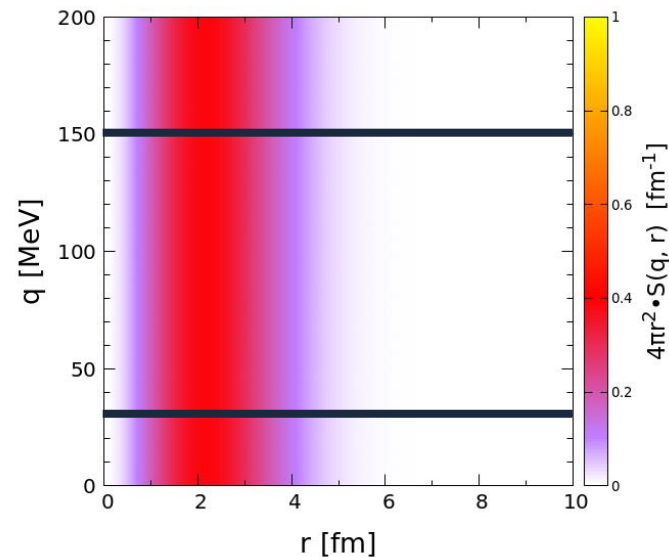
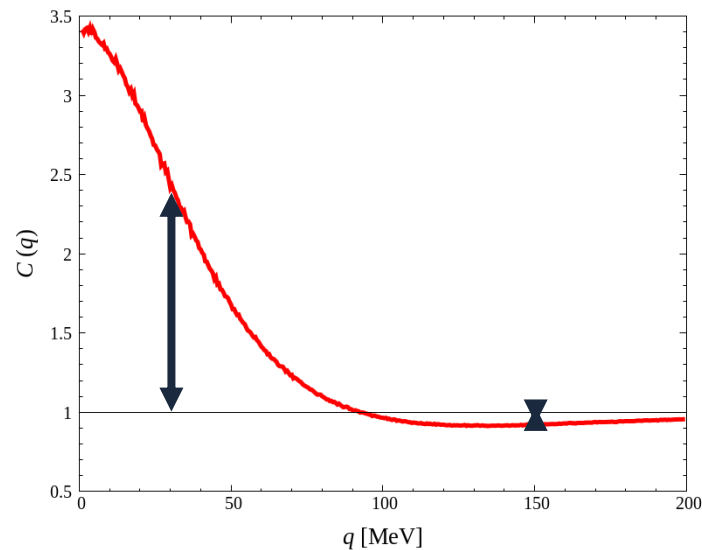
SF
 with Jacobian

s-wave Change
 Increase/Decrease of WF by **FSI**

Interpretation of Correlation Function

$$C(q) = 1 + \int_0^{\infty} dr \underbrace{4\pi r^2 S(q; r)}_{\substack{\text{SF} \\ \text{with Jacobian}}} \underbrace{[|\varphi_0(q; r)|^2 - |j_0(qr)|^2]}_{\substack{\text{s-wave Change} \\ \text{Increase/Decrease in WF by interaction}}}$$

Deviation of $C(q)$ from 1 = How much **SF** “picks up” **WF change**



Recent active studies have demonstrated its usefulness and powerfulness

L. Fabbietti *et al.*, Ann. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci. **71**, 377 (2021)

Assuming **static Gaussian SF**

Actual SF should reflect the complex dynamics of nuclear collisions

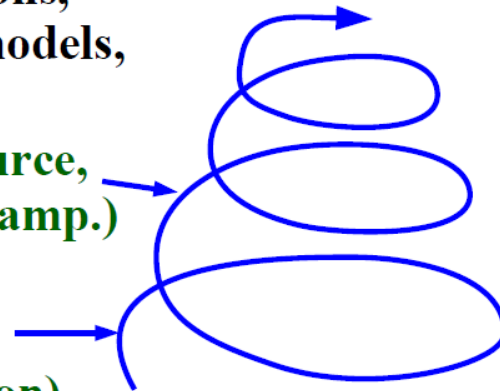
A. Ohnishi, talk at RHIC-BES On-line seminar IV (2022)

- For more realistic estimate of hh interactions, we need reliable interactions and source models, together with more data.

2nd round
(dynamical source,
 $C(q) \rightarrow$ scatt. amp.)

1st round
(simple source,
existing interaction)

State-of-the-art



To explore less understood hadron interactions,

Femtoscopy using dynamical models

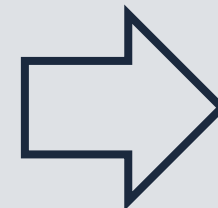
WF in KP formula = Weighted average of WF in each $^{2S+1}L_J$ channel

$$|\varphi|^2 = \sum_{\text{states}(S,L,J)} \omega_{(S,L,J)} |\varphi^{(S,L,J)}|^2$$

$$\omega_{(S,L,J)} = \frac{2S + 1}{(2s_a + 1)(2s_b + 1)} \frac{2J + 1}{(2L + 1)(2S + 1)}$$

Koonin-Pratt formula
Spin-independent SF

$$C^{\text{tot}}(q) = \sum_{\text{states}(S,L,J)} \omega_{(S,L,J)} C^{(S,L,J)}(q)$$



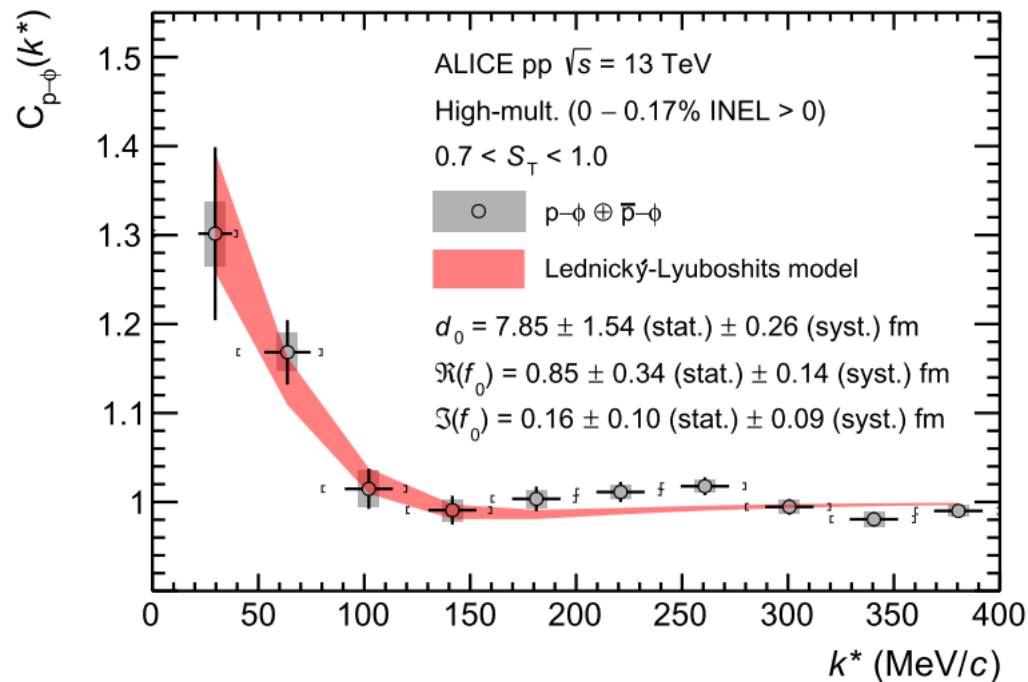
Comparable
with exp. CF

$p\phi$ Femtoscopy using Dynamical Model

- Overview
- Interaction and Wave Function
- Source Function
- Correlation Function

Experimental CF ALICE, PRL 127, 172301 (2021)

High-multiplicity (0–0.17%) p+p collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV



Lednický-Lyuboshits fit

R. Lednický and V. L. Lyuboshits, Yad. Fiz. **35**, 1316 (1981)

Gaussian source size: $r_0 = 1.08$ fm

Scattering length: $a_0 \cong -0.85 - 0.16i$ fm

Effective range: $r_{\text{eff}} \cong 7.85$ fm

Attractive $p\phi$ interaction as a spin-average

Spin-channel-by-channel femtoscopy E. Chizzali *et al.*, PLB **848**, 138358 (2023)

Gaussian source size: $r_0 = 1.08$ fm

$^4S_{3/2}$: HAL QCD potential Y. Lyu *et al.*, PRD 106, 074507 (2022)

$$a_0^{(3/2)} \cong -1.43 \text{ fm}, \quad r_{\text{eff}}^{(3/2)} \cong 2.36 \text{ fm}$$

Attraction without bound states

$^2S_{1/2}$: Parametrized potential ← **Constrain by experimental CF**

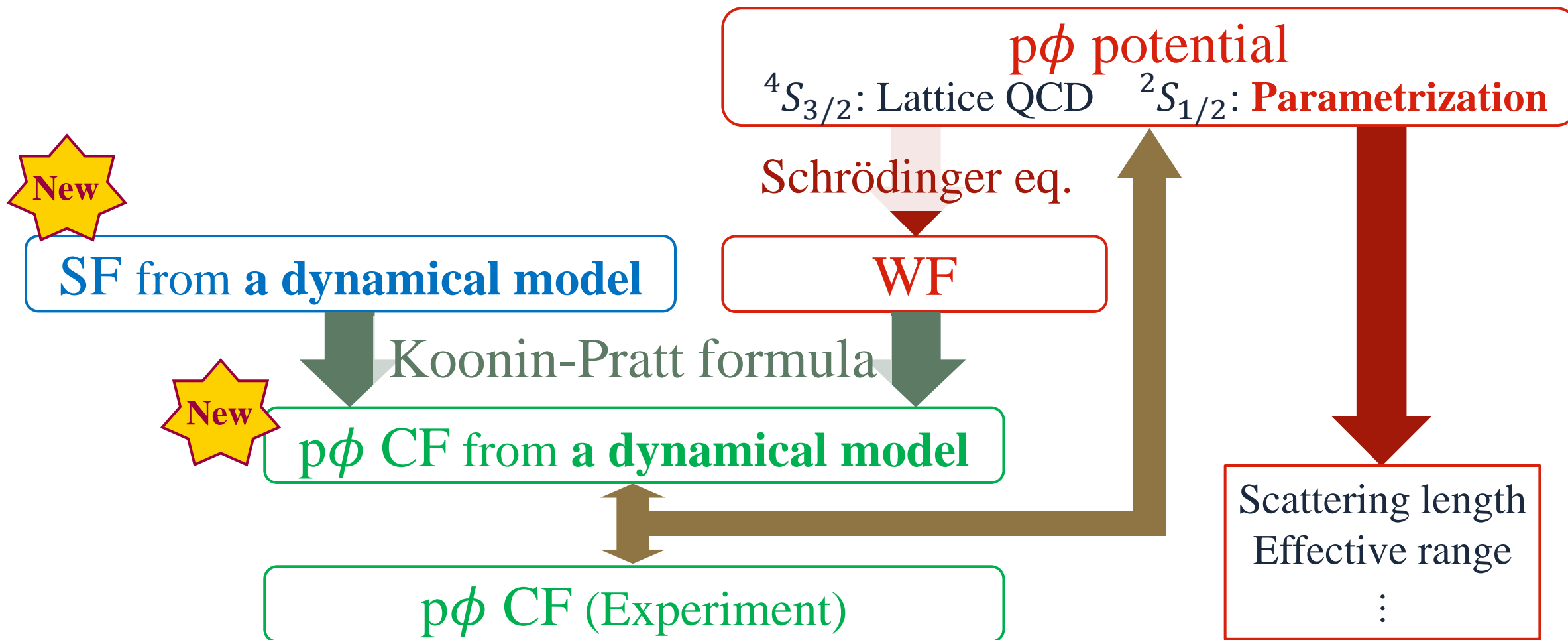
$$a_0^{(1/2)} \cong 1.54 - i0.00 \text{ fm}, \quad r_{\text{eff}}^{(1/2)} \cong 0.39 + i0.00 \text{ fm}$$

■ **Strong attraction**

■ **Small effects of channel-coupling**

Indication of a $p\phi$ bound state

This study: $p\phi$ Femtoscopy using **SF** from a dynamical model



HAL QCD potential Y. Lyu *et al.*, PRD **106**, 074507 (2022)

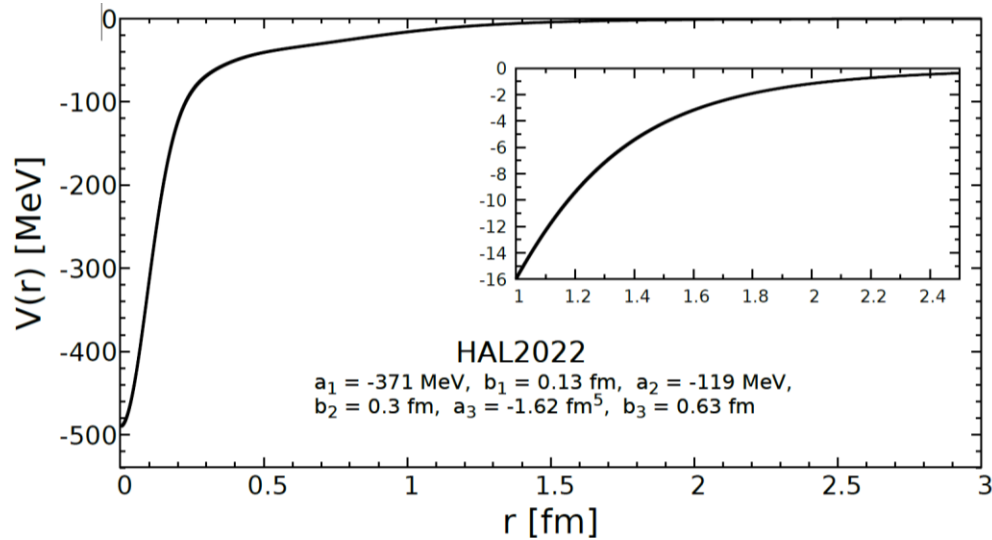
Lattice QCD at nearly physical point ($m_\pi = 146.4$ MeV)

$$V^{(3/2)}(r) = \underbrace{a_1 e^{-(r/b_1)^2} + a_2 e^{-(r/b_2)^2}}_{\text{Short-range attraction}} + \underbrace{a_3 m_\pi^4 f(r; b_3)}_{\text{TPE}} \frac{e^{-2m_\pi r}}{r^2}$$

Argonne-type form factor:

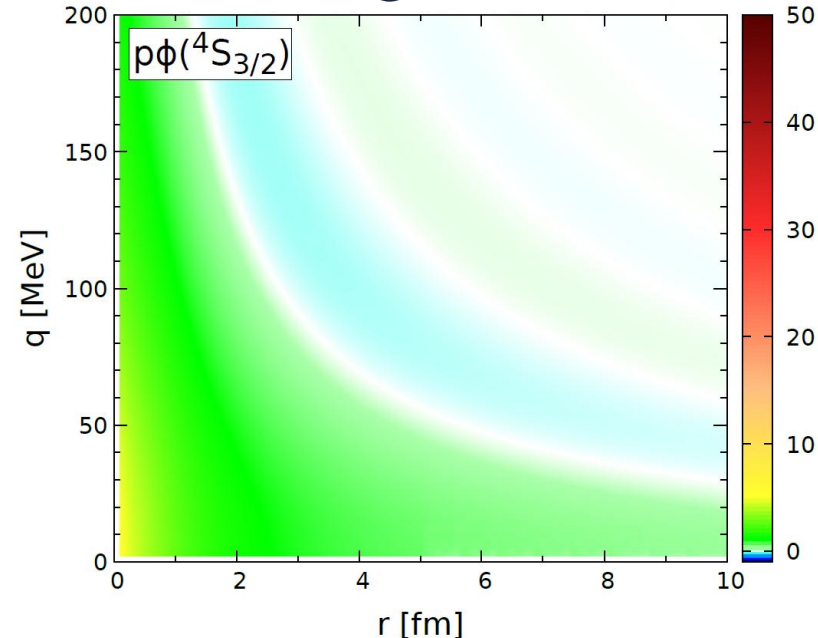
$$f(r; b_3) = [1 - e^{-(r/b_3)^2}]^2$$

Parameter	Fitted value
a_1 [MeV]	-371 ± 27
b_1 [fm]	0.13 ± 0.01
a_2 [MeV]	-119 ± 39
b_2 [fm]	0.30 ± 0.05
a_3 [fm ⁵]	-1.62 ± 0.23
b_3 [fm]	0.63 ± 0.04



No bound state

WF change: $|\varphi_0|^2 - |j_0|^2$



**Enhancement
at small qr
due to attraction**

Parametrized potential E. Chizzali *et al.*, PLB 848, 138358 (2023)

Channel-couplings are neglected for simplicity

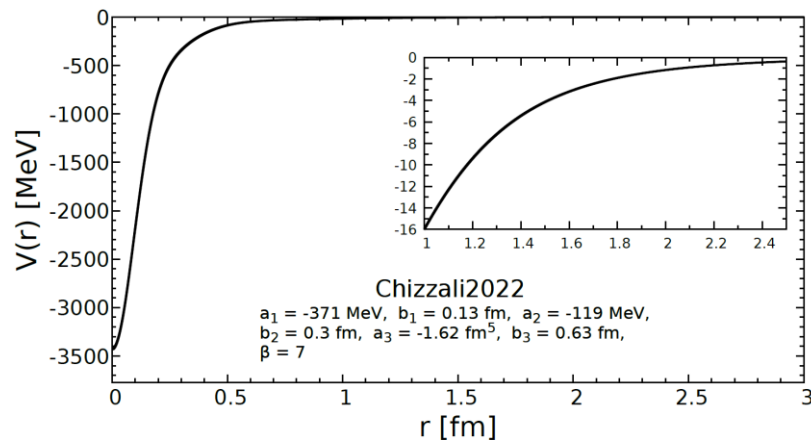
$$V^{(1/2)}(r) = \beta \left[a_1 e^{-(r/b_1)^2} + a_2 e^{-(r/b_2)^2} \right] + a_3 m_\pi^4 f(r; b_3) \frac{e^{-2m_\pi r}}{r^2}$$

Short-range interaction TPE

Only one adjustable parameter

β

default: $\beta = 7$

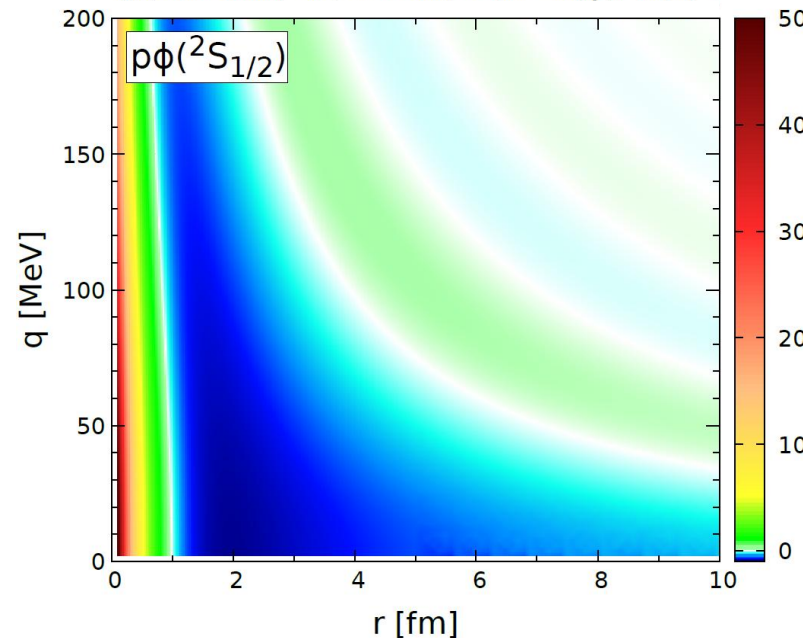


$$a_0 = 1.99 \text{ fm}$$

$$r_{\text{eff}} = 0.46 \text{ fm}$$

A bound state

WF change: $|\varphi_0|^2 - |j_0|^2$



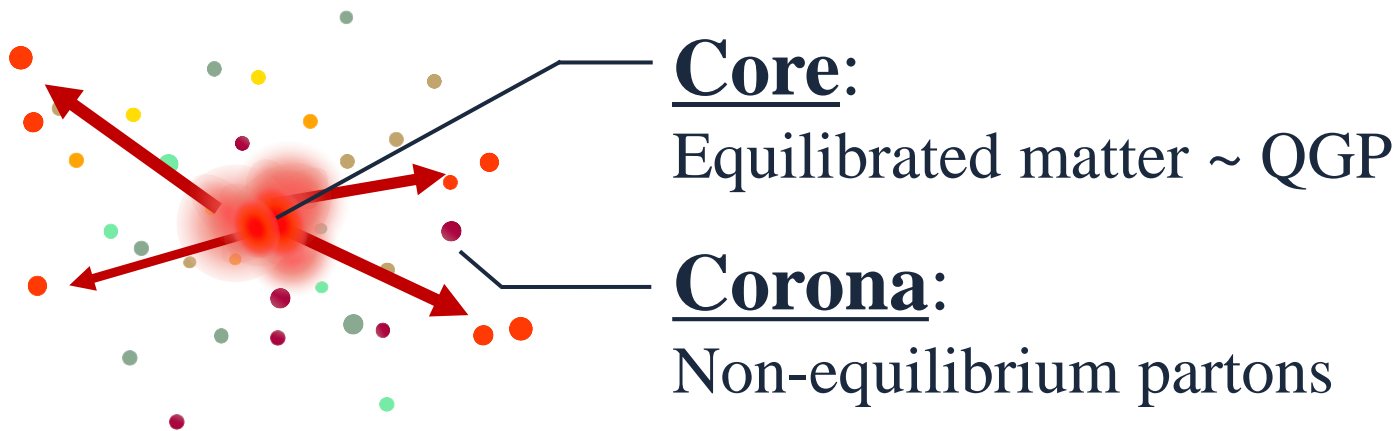
■ **Strong enhancement at small qr**

■ **“Negative valley” around a_0**

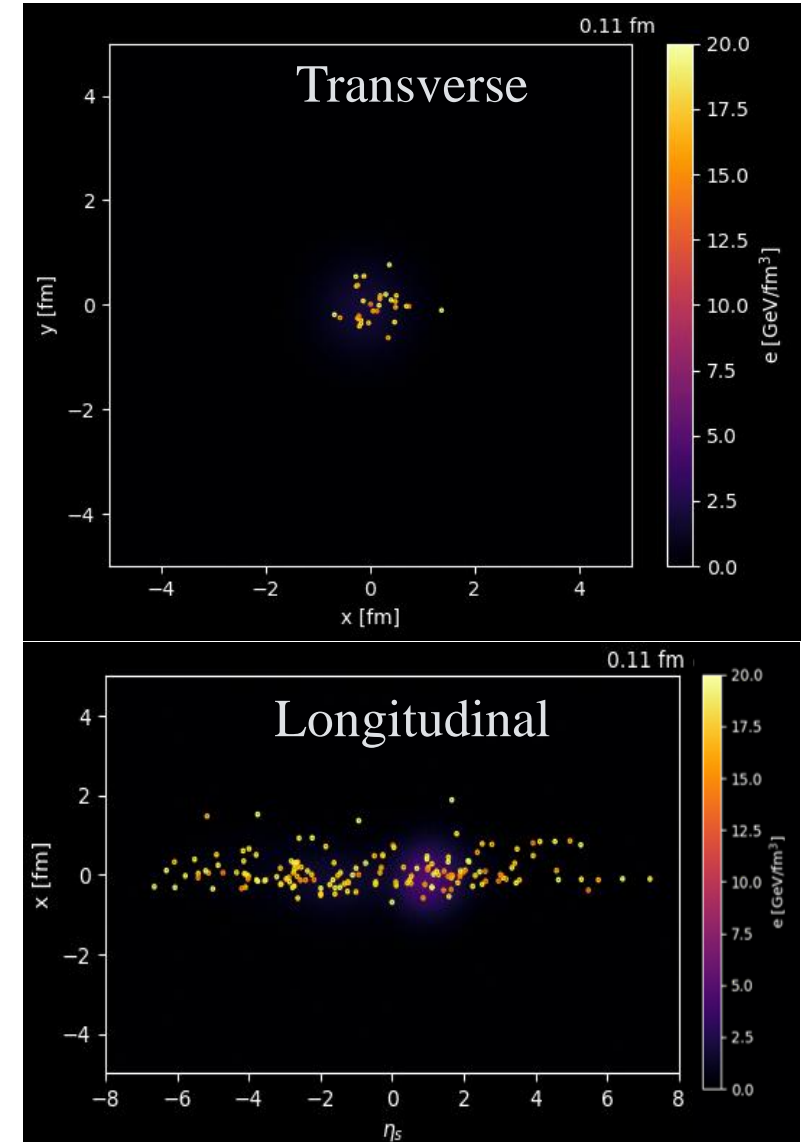
Dynamical Core–Corona Initialization model (DCCI)

Y. Kanakubo, Y. Tachibana, and T. Hirano, PRC **105**, 024905 (2022)

A cutting-edge dynamical model
based on **core–corona picture**

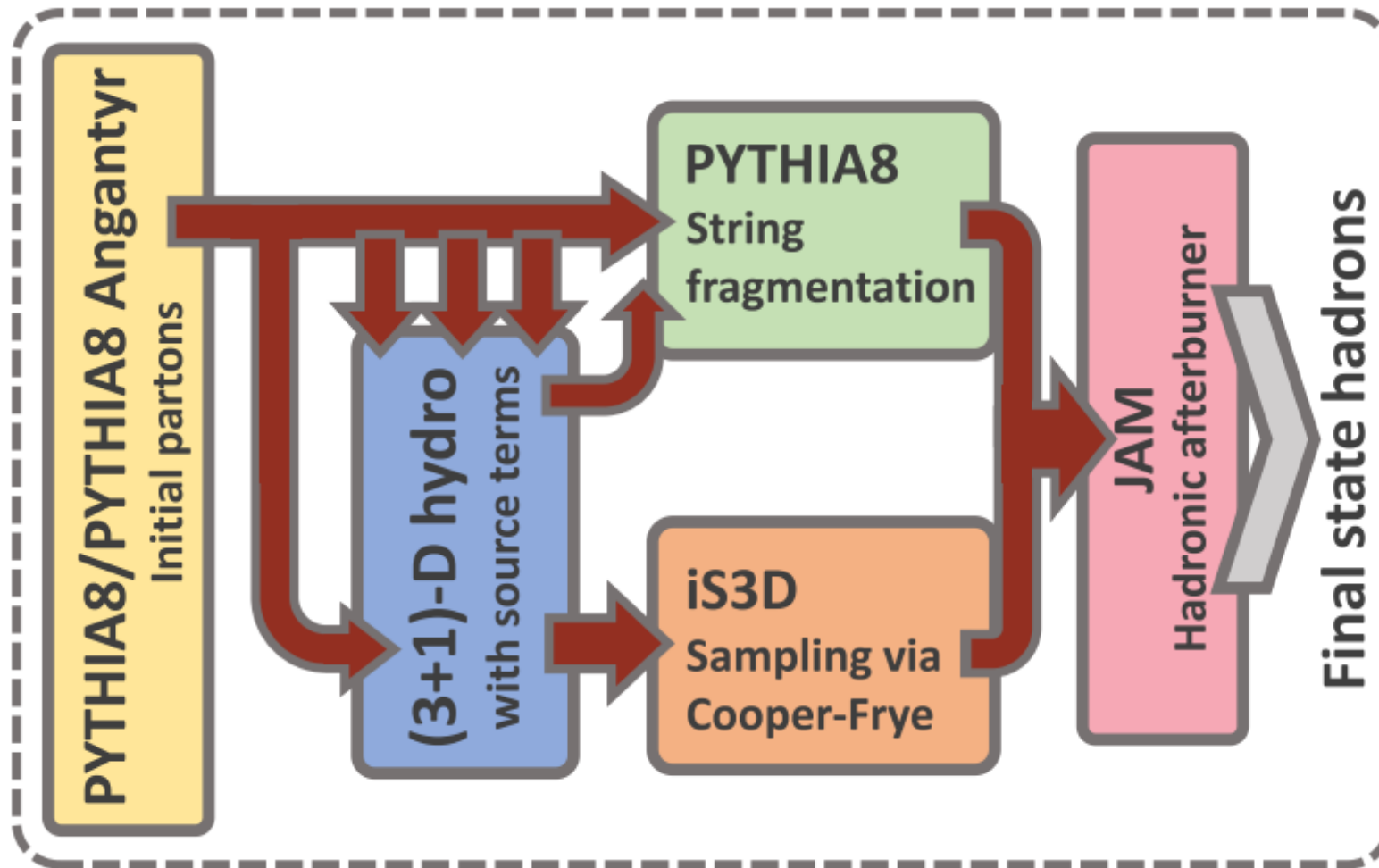


Applicable to high-mult. p+p collisions



High-mult. p+p collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV
Movies provided by Y. Kanakubo

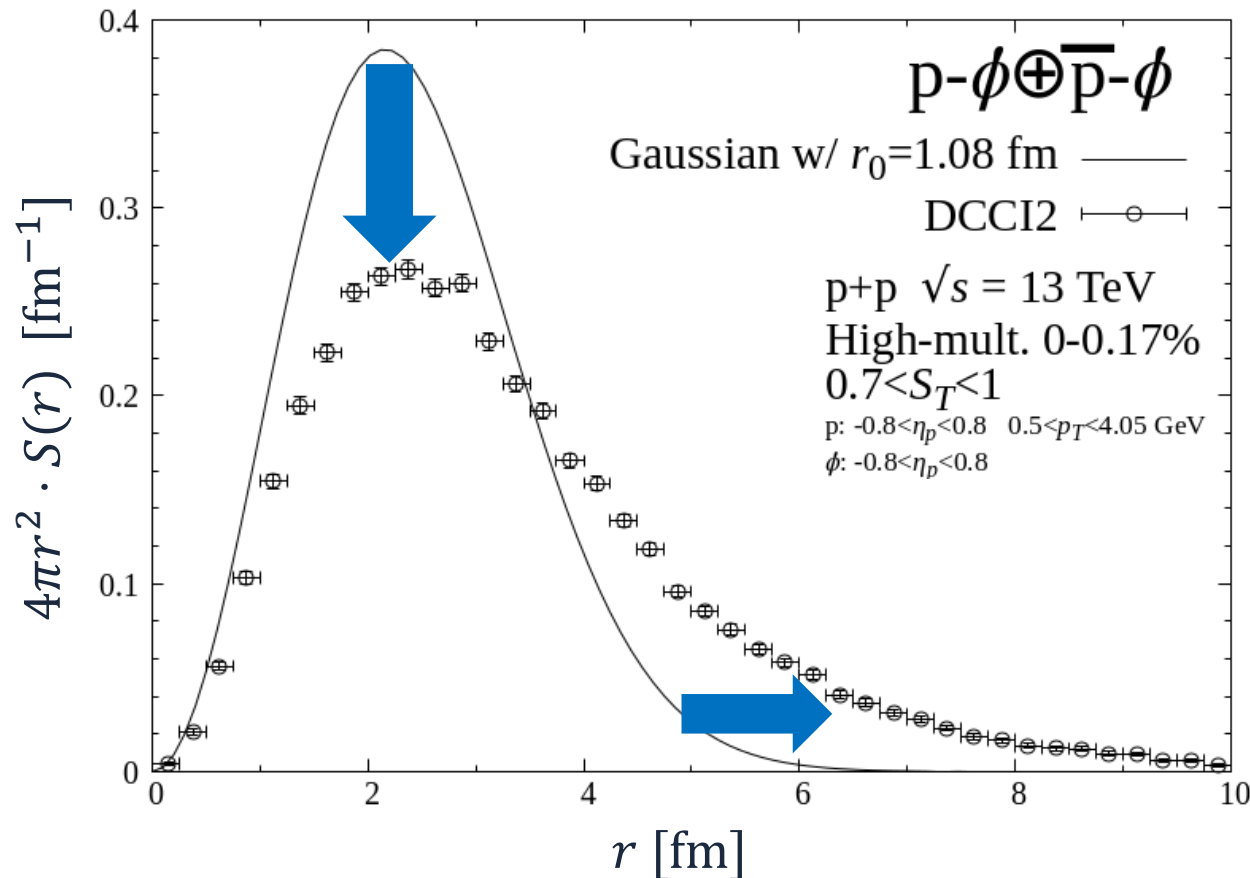
Describe the entire evolution of nuclear collision reactions



Source function
that reflects
realistic collision
dynamics

High-multiplicity 0-0.17% p+p collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

Plot: **DCCI2 SF**, Line: Gaussian SF $S(r) \propto \exp(-r^2/4r_0^2)$ w/ $r_0 = 1.08$ fm



Non-Gaussian long-tail

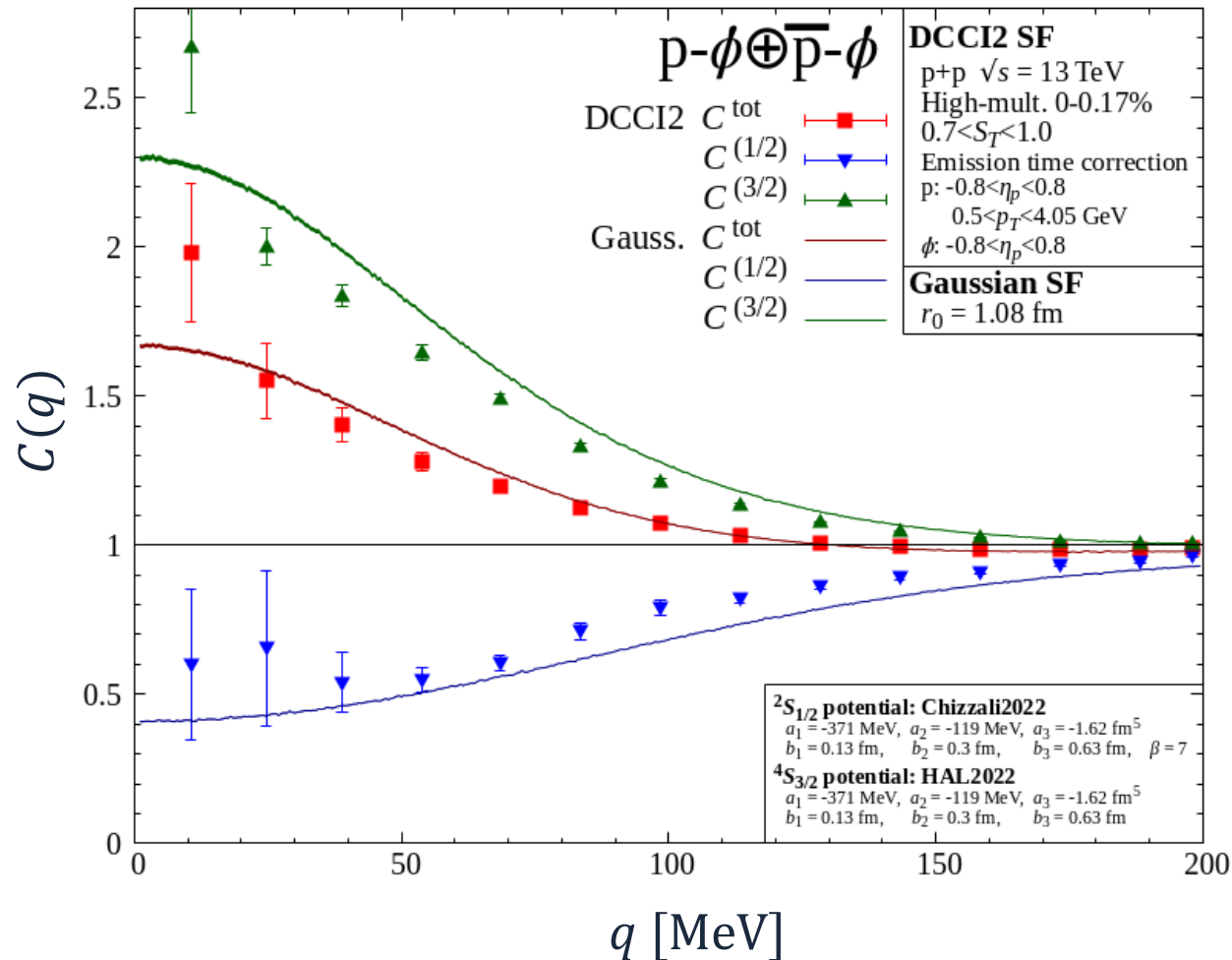
→ Larger source size $\langle r^2 \rangle$

Mainly due to p rescatterings
with surrounding pion gas
“Pion wind”

Hadronic rescatterings
even in p+p collisions

Green: $C^{(3/2)}$, Blue: $C^{(1/2)}$, Red: $C^{\text{tot}} = \frac{2}{3}C^{(3/2)} + \frac{1}{3}C^{(1/2)}$

Plots: DCCI2 SF, Lines: Gaussian SF w/ $r_0 = 1.08$ fm

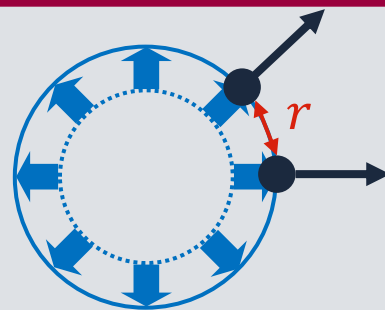


DCCI2 vs. Gaussian

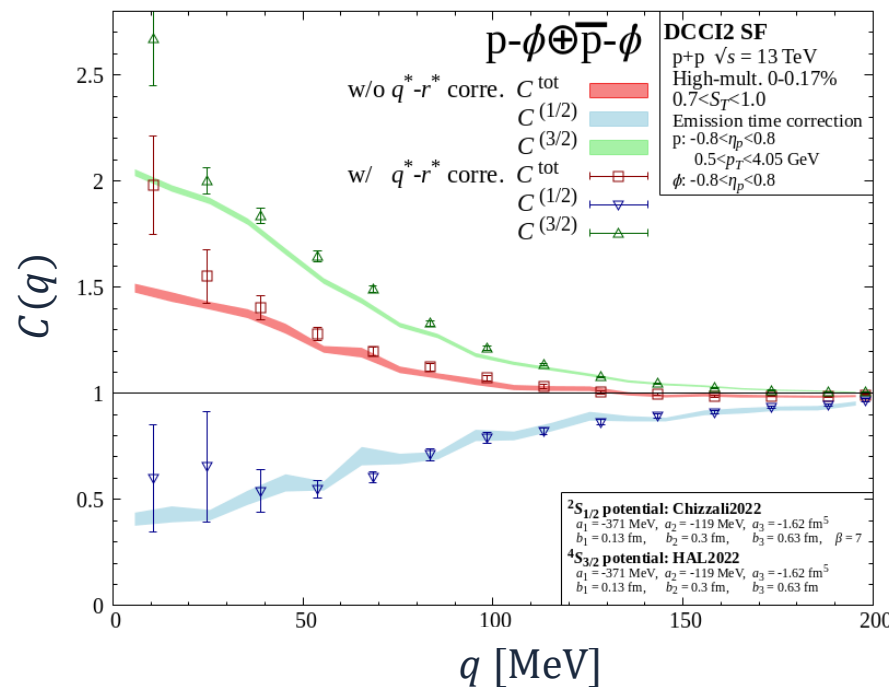
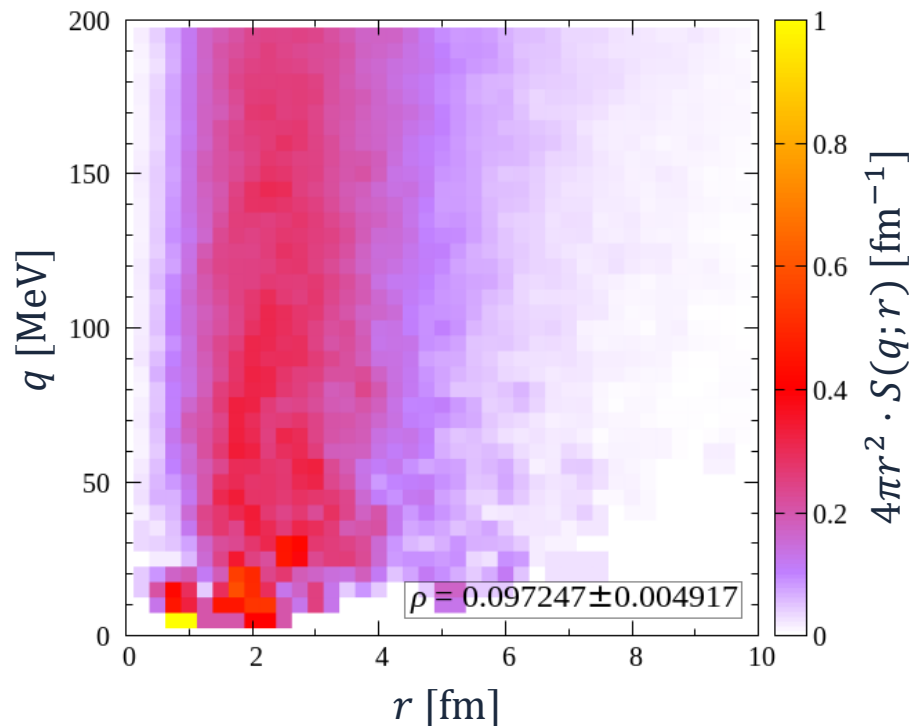
- Slightly weaker correlation
Due to non-Gaussian long-tail
- Non-trivial behavior at small q

A small but statistically significant difference

SF generally depends on q due to e.g., collectivity



Close in position space
 \Updownarrow
 Close in momentum space



Plots:

W/
 $q-r$ correlation

Bands:

W/o
 $q-r$ correlation

- Slightly positive $q-r$ correlation
- Significant small source at small q



CF at small q is sensitive to the WF in the scattering region

Primordial core

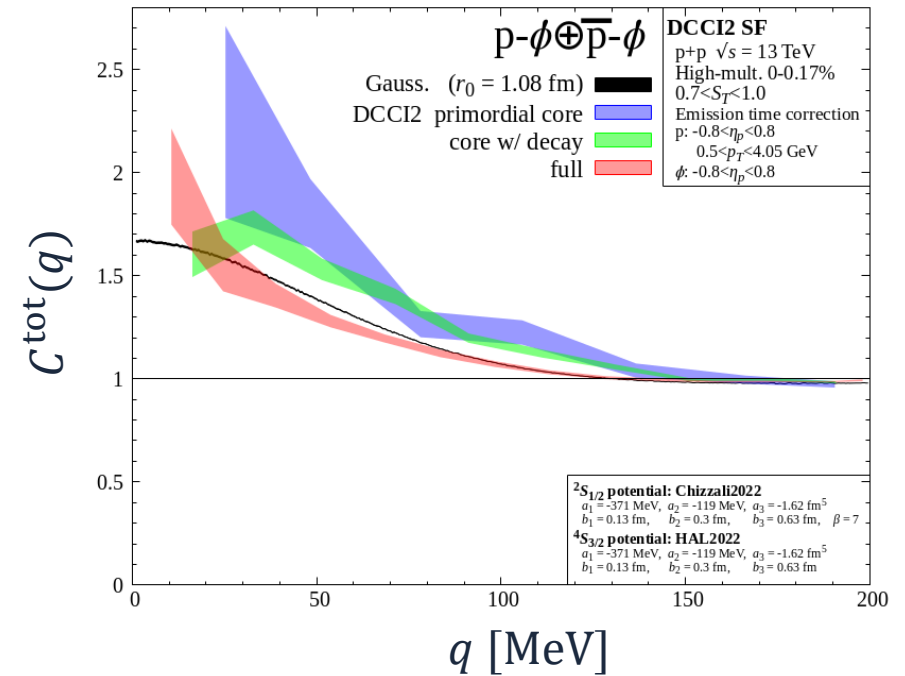
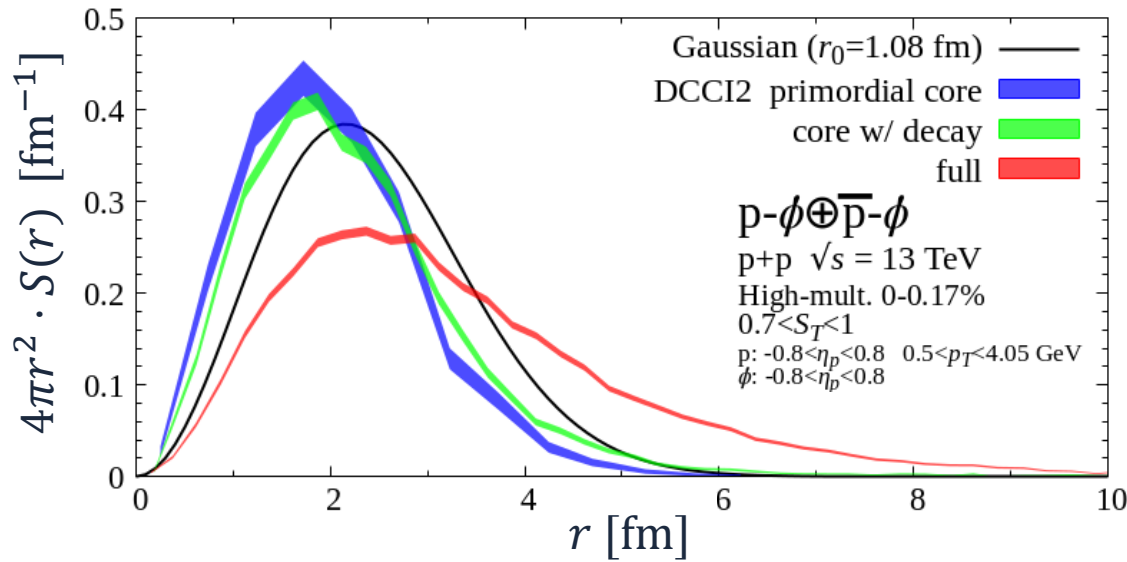
Direct p and ϕ from core at hypersurface

+ Decay

Core w/ decay

+ Decay + Rescatterings + Corona

Full (Comparable w/ exp. data)



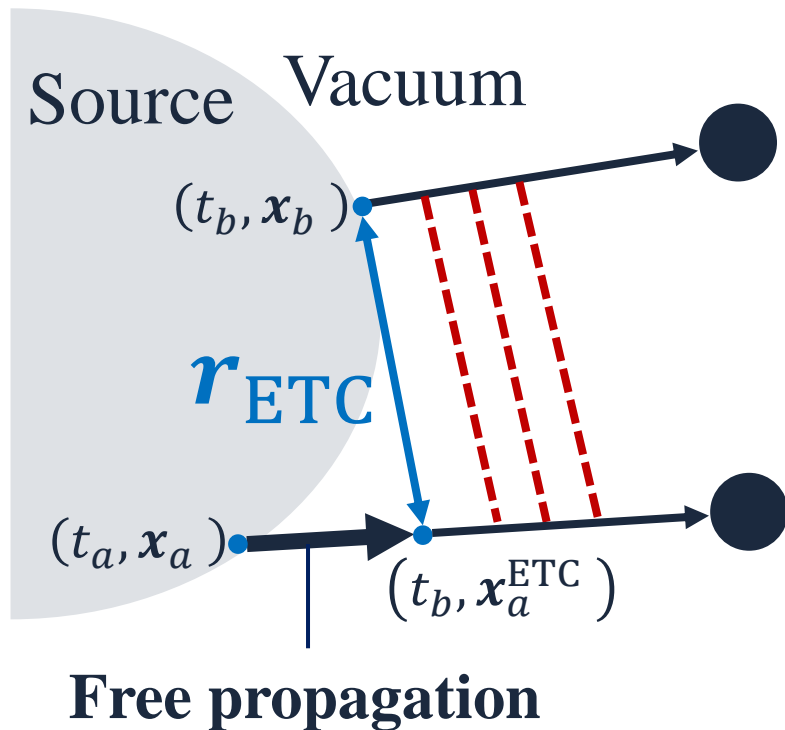
- Distribution at hypersurface ~ Gaussian
- Resonance decay → A little long-tail
- Hadronic rescatterings → Long-tail and larger source size

Larger effects of **hadronic rescatterings** than **resonance decay** on SF & CF

Problem

Dynamical model \rightarrow **Emission time difference: $S(\mathbf{q}; r^0 \neq 0, \mathbf{r})$**

Free propagation until the other's emission

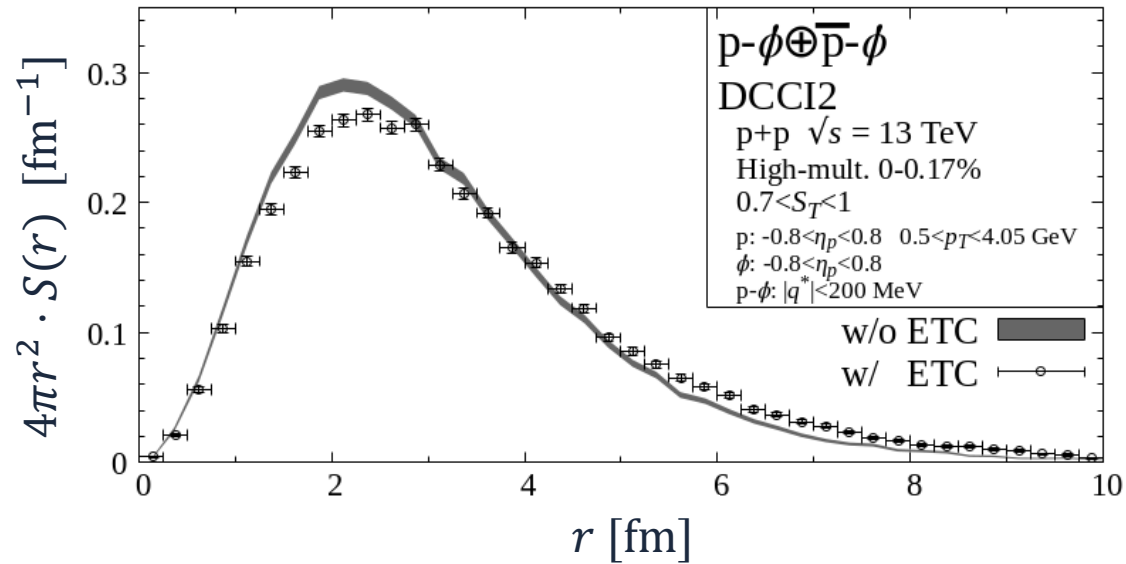


$$S(\mathbf{q}; r^0 \neq 0, \mathbf{r}) \xrightarrow{\text{ETC}} S^{\text{ETC}}(\mathbf{q}; \mathbf{r}_{\text{ETC}}) \delta(r^0)$$

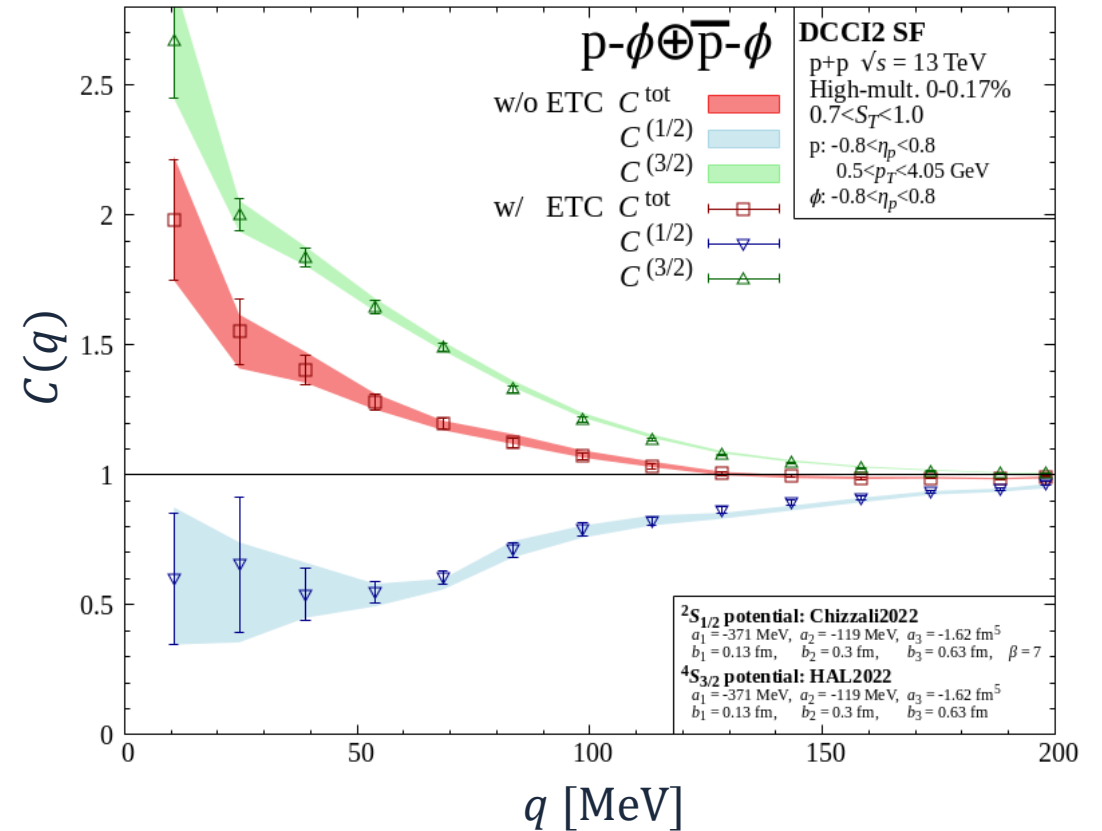
$$\mathbf{r}_{\text{ETC}} = \mathbf{r} + \frac{\mathbf{p}_a}{E_a} (t_b - t_a) \theta(t_b - t_a) - \frac{\mathbf{p}_b}{E_b} (t_a - t_b) \theta(t_a - t_b)$$

Correction

Plots: w/ ETC, Bands: w/o ETC



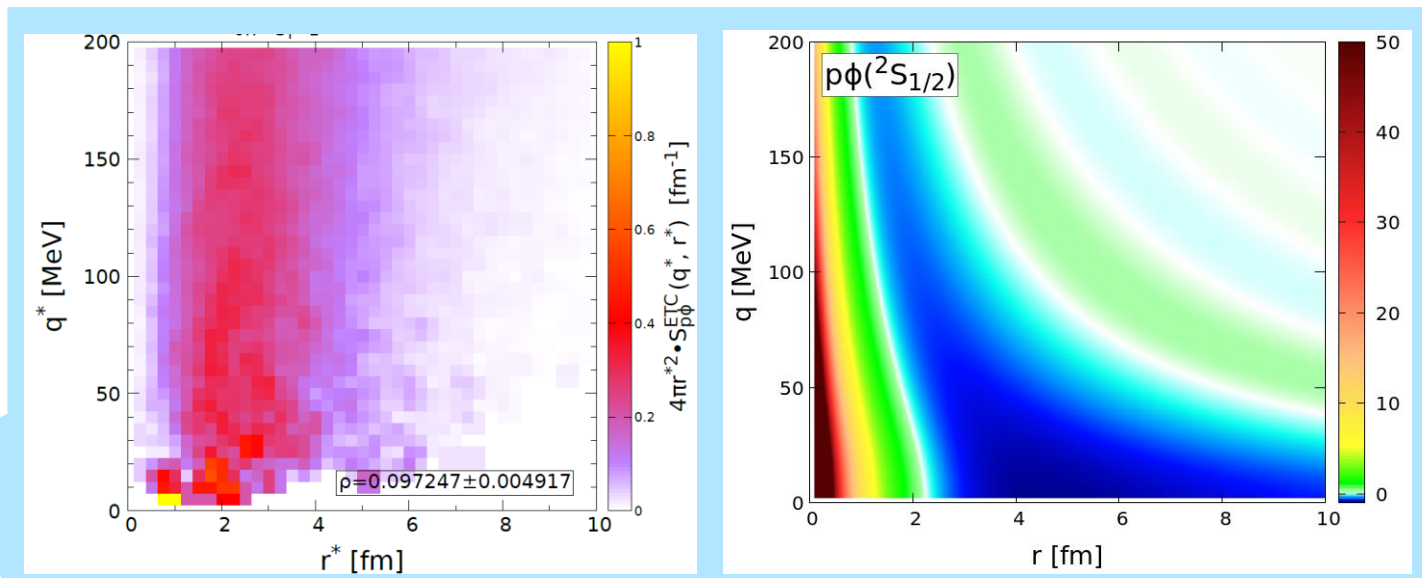
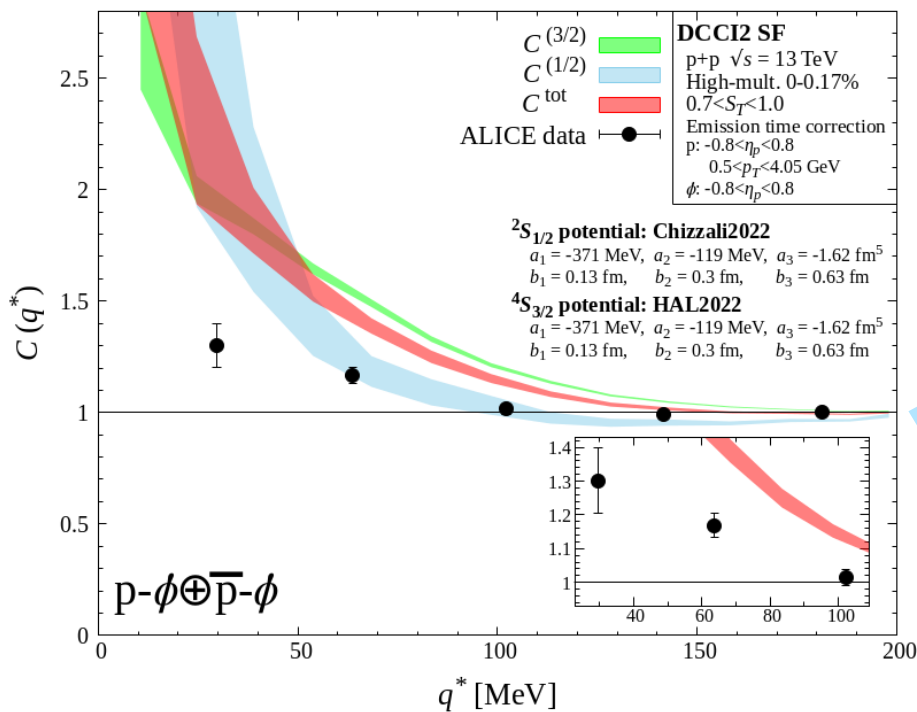
ETC slightly enlarges source size



No statistically significant effects on CF in this particular case

$C^{(3/2)}$: Fixed, $C^{(1/2)}$: Change with β
 Compare $C^{\text{tot}} = \frac{2}{3} C^{(3/2)} + \frac{1}{3} C^{(1/2)}$ with ALICE data

$\beta = 6$



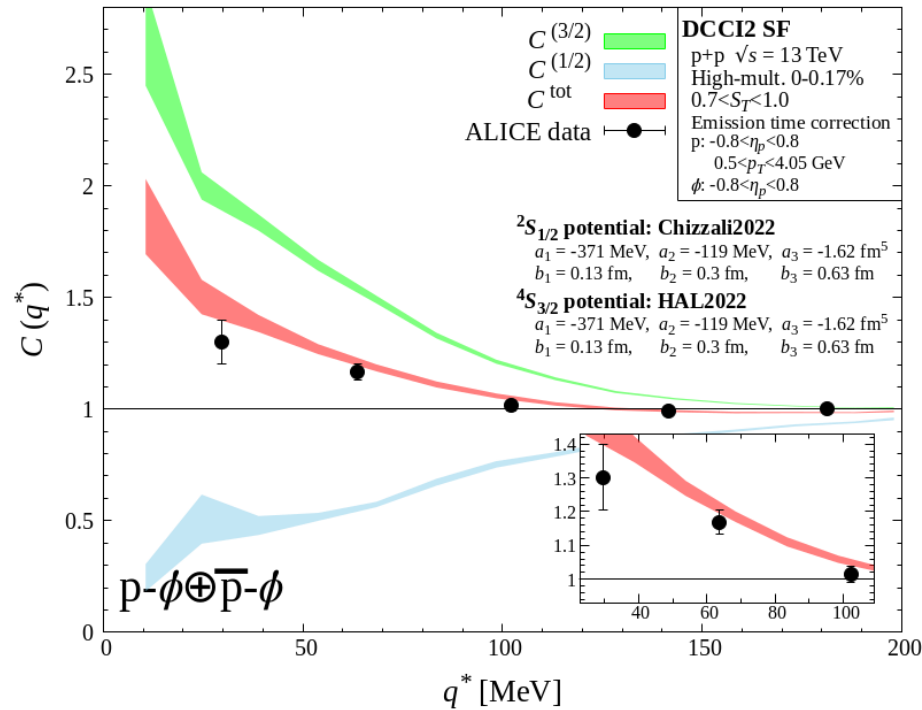
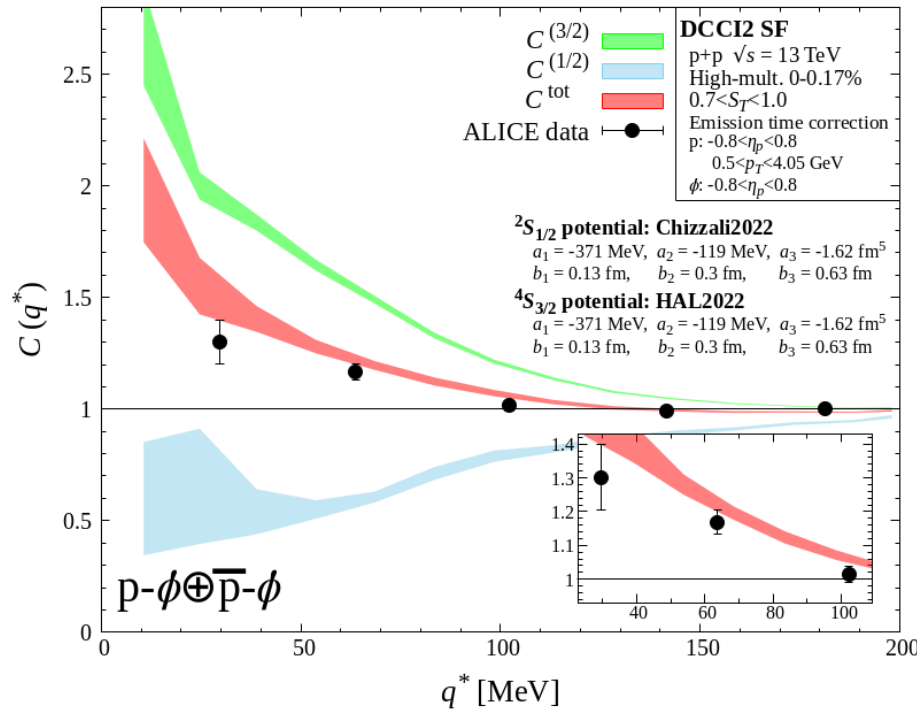
SF picks up strong positive region of WF

$C^{\text{tot}} > C^{\text{exp}}$

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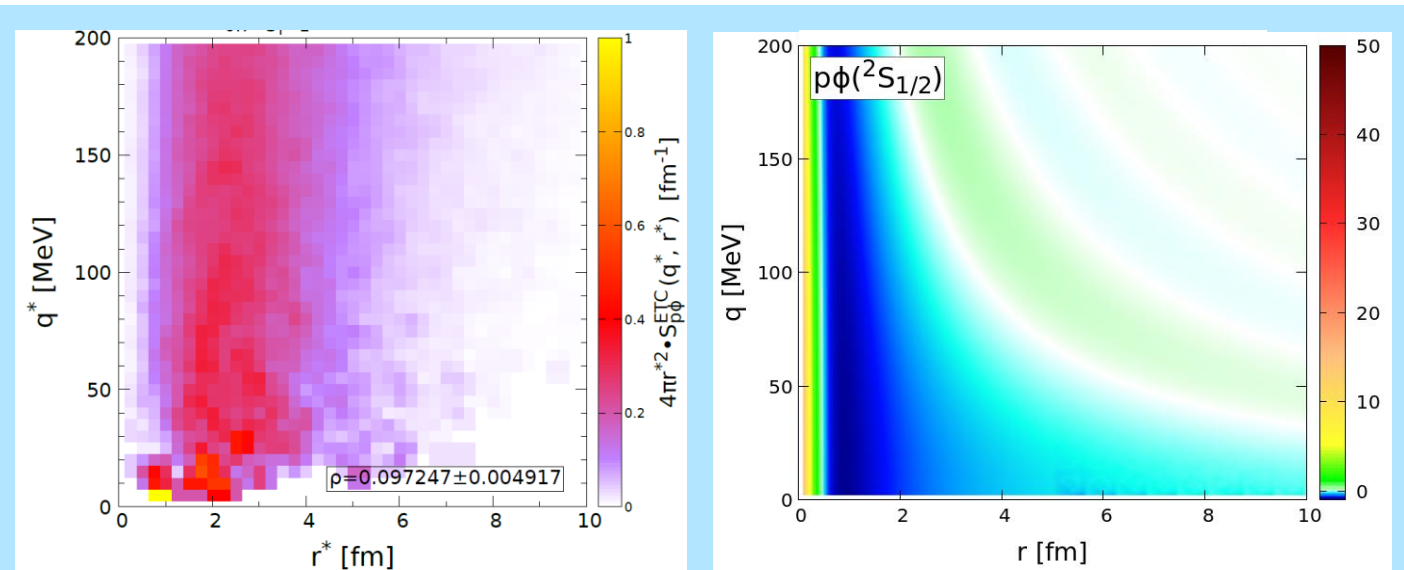
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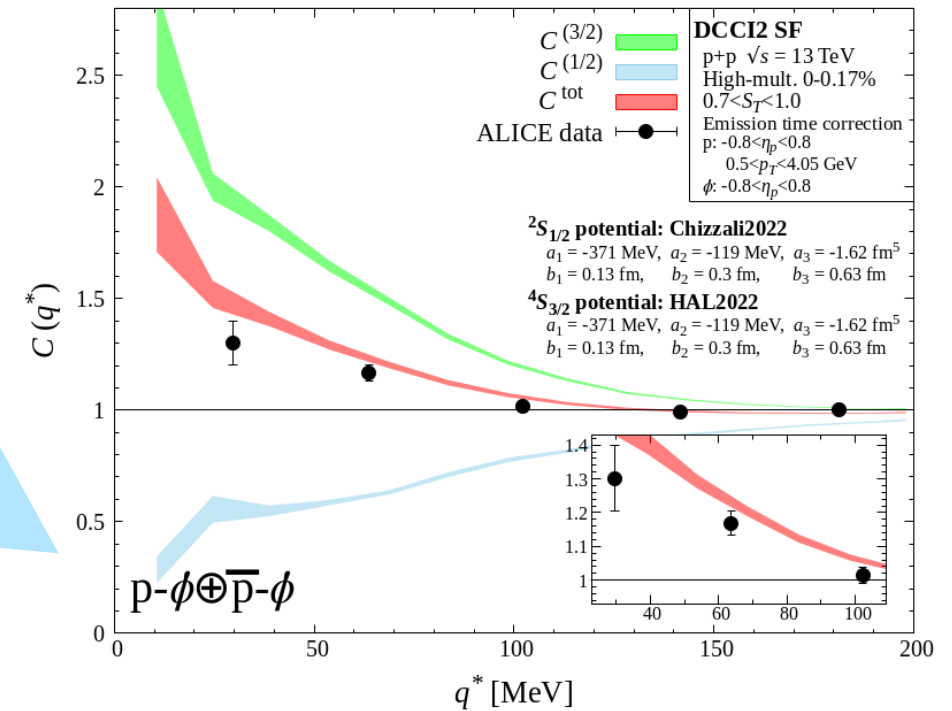
$C^{\text{tot}} \approx C^{\text{exp}}$

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$\beta = 9$



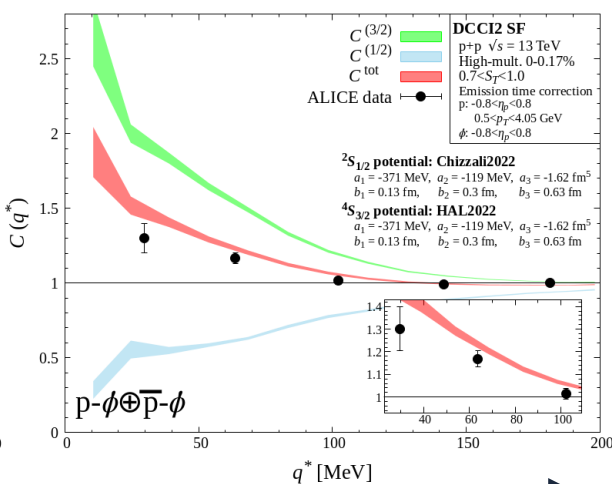
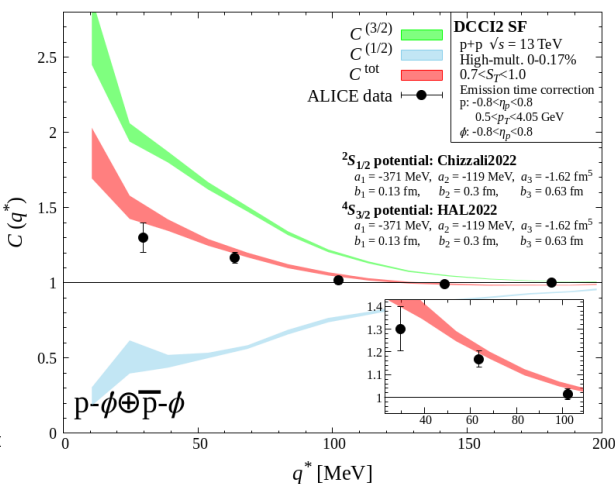
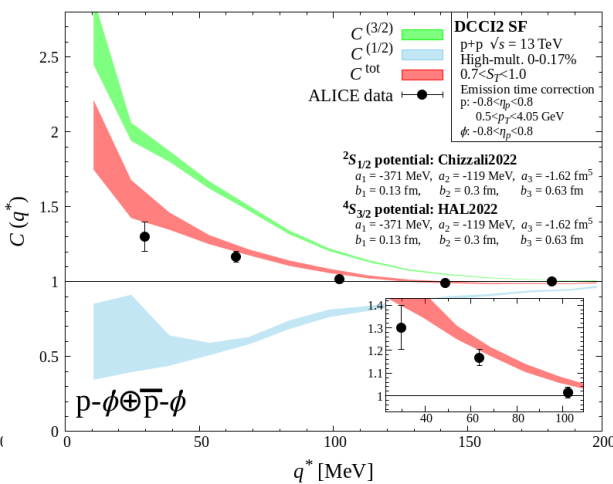
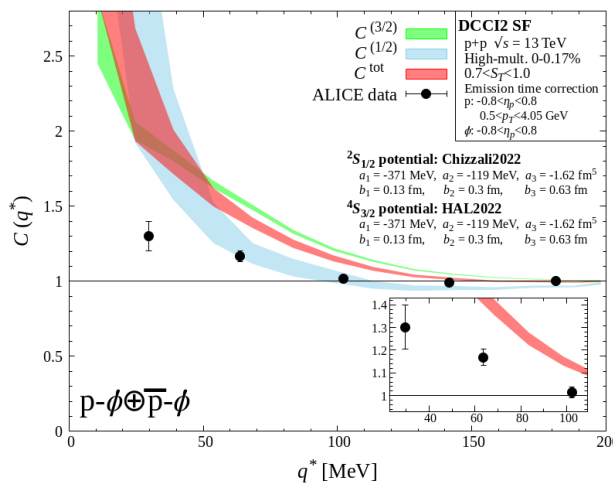
SF cannot pick up negative valley efficiently



$C^{\text{tot}} > C^{\text{exp}}$

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$\beta = 6$

$a_0 = 4.54 \text{ fm}$
 $E_B = 2.3 \text{ MeV}$

$\beta = 7$

$a_0 = 1.99 \text{ fm}$
 $E_B = 13.3 \text{ MeV}$

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$a_0 = 1.23 \text{ fm}$
 $E_B = 37.5 \text{ MeV}$

$\beta = 9$

$a_0 = 0.85 \text{ fm}$
 $E_B = 93.1 \text{ MeV}$

Overestimate

Agree within errors

Overestimate

p ϕ femtoscopy using SF from a dynamical model (DCCI2)

Effects of Collision Dynamics

Small but statistically significant

- ✓ SF has non-Gaussian tail mainly due to **hadronic rescatterings**
- ✓ SF depends on relative momentum due to e.g., **collectivity**

Phenomenological Constraint on Interaction

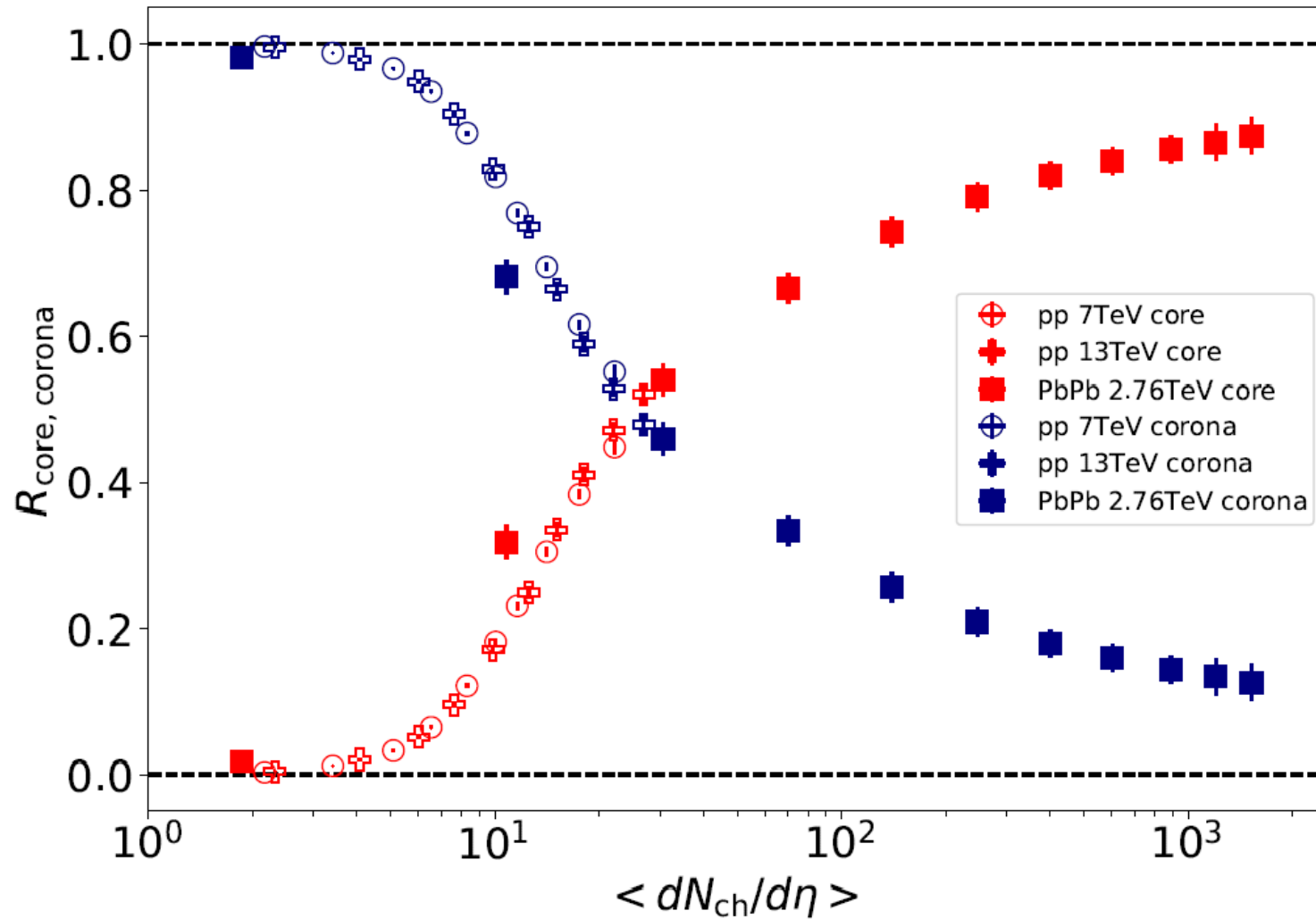
- ✓ Indication of a bound state in $^2S_{1/2}$ channel ($E_B \cong 10\text{--}70$ MeV)
Slightly different but qualitatively consistent with that using Gaussian SF

Importance of using SF that reflects collision dynamics
for precise studies of hadron interactions via femtoscopy

Backup



Y. Kanakubo, Y. Tachibana, and T. Hirano, PRC **105**, 024905 (2022)



According to DCCI2

$$R_{\text{core}} \sim 0.5$$

in high-multiplicity
p+p collisions
at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

Assumptions

- Chaotic source \sim thermal equilibrium
- Closed system after emission \sim in vacuum propagation
- (Same time approximation)
- On-shell approximation

$$C(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{P}) = \frac{\int d^4x_a d^4x_b S_a(\mathbf{p}_a; x_a) S_b(\mathbf{p}_b; x_b) |\varphi(\mathbf{q}; \mathbf{r})|^2}{\int d^4x_a S_a(\mathbf{p}_a; x_a) \int d^4x_b S_b(\mathbf{p}_b; x_b)}$$

Pair Rest Frame ($\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{0}$)

Integrate out CM

$$C(\mathbf{q}) = \int d^3r S(\mathbf{q}; \mathbf{r}) |\varphi(\mathbf{q}; \mathbf{r})|^2$$

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$$C(q) = 1 + \int_0^\infty dr 4\pi r^2 S(q; r) [|\varphi_0(q; r)|^2 - |j_0(qr)|^2]$$



Assumptions

- **Gaussian SF**: $S(q; r) \approx S(r) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{4r_0^2}\right)$
- **Asymptotic WF** (+ effective range correction)

$$C(q) = 1 + \frac{|f_0(q)|^2}{2r_0^2} F_3\left(\frac{r_{\text{eff}}}{r_0}\right) + \frac{2\text{Re}f_0(q)}{\sqrt{\pi}r_0} F_1(2qr_0) - \frac{\text{Im}f_0(q)}{r_0} F_2(2qr_0)$$

$$F_1, \dots, F_3: \text{Known functions, } f_0(q) = \frac{1}{q \cot \delta_0(q) - iq} \approx \frac{1}{-\frac{1}{a_0} + \frac{1}{2} r_{\text{eff}} q^2 - iq}$$

CF becomes a function of a_0 , r_{eff} , and r_0

Weak

Attractive potential w/ a bound state

Strong

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$$E_B = 2.3 \text{ MeV}$$

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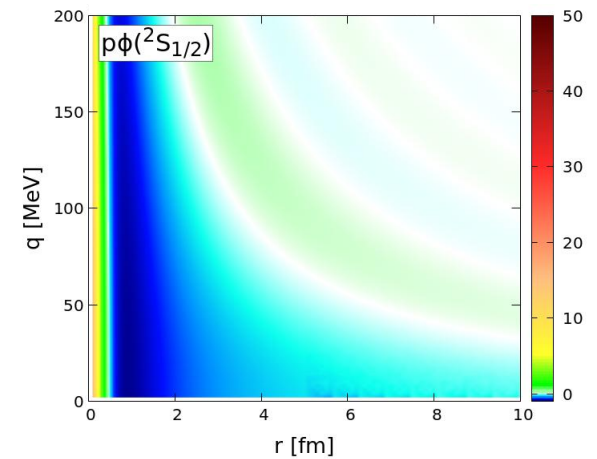
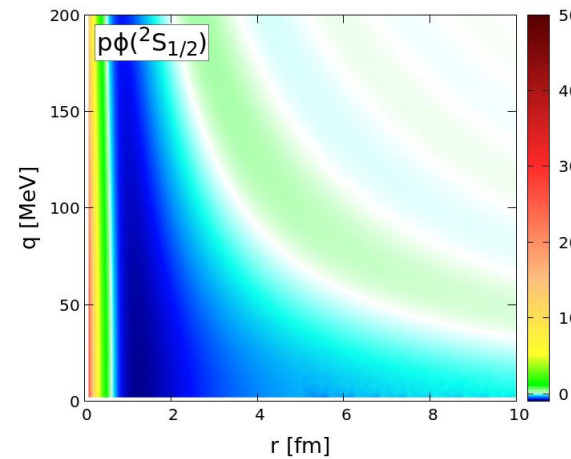
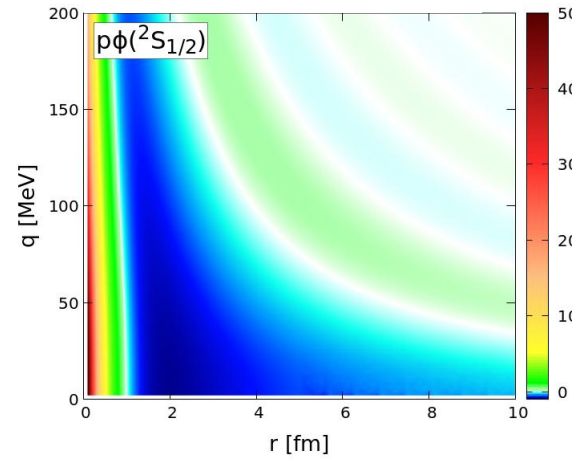
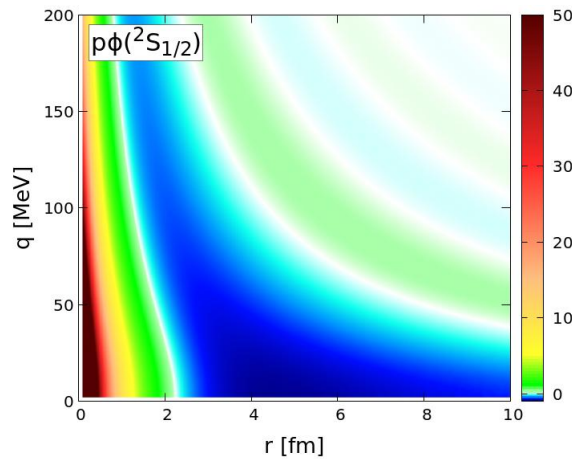
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The negative valley moves towards the small r region