

Proton-Proton, Proton-Antiproton and Antiproton-Antiproton Correlations

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Outline

- 1) Motivation and basics of proton femtoscopy
- 2) Results of the study of two (anti-)proton Interaction via

Correlation Measurement – Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{(s_{NN})} = 200 \text{ GeV}$

3) Results from Beam Energy Scan:

3a) Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{(s_{NN})} = 39 \text{ GeV}$

3b) Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{(s_{NN})} = 11.5 \text{ GeV}$

3c) Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{(s_{NN})} = 7.7 \text{ GeV}$

4) Summary

Motivation

- Comparing radii extracted from various correlations
 - \rightarrow complementary information about the source characteristics
- Studying interactions between anti-nuclei
 - \rightarrow wider understanding of the nuclear matter
- Understanding interactions between antiprotons

→ understanding anti-nuclei

- the knowledge about interactions between two baryons, two antibaryons and between baryons and antibaryons
 - → better understanding of nuclear matter

Few words about femtoscopy

Single- and two- particle distributions

$$P_1(p) = E \frac{dN}{d^3 p} = \int d^4 x S(x, p)$$

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$$P_{2}(p_{1}, p_{2}) = E_{1}E_{2}\frac{dN}{d^{3}p_{1}d^{3}p_{2}} = \int d^{4}x_{1}S(x_{1}, p_{1})d^{4}x_{2}S(x_{2}, p_{2})\Phi(x_{2}, p_{2}|x_{1}, p_{1})$$







Proton-(anti)proton correlations

Extracting info on the 'Length of homogeneity' - aka radii using the correlation functions.

The width of the Quantum Statistics part in correlation functions is inversely proportional to the Radius of

The study of two (anti-)proton interaction via Correlation Measurement

(Nature 527, 345 (2015))



Particle identification

Cut

Νσ

Momentum (p)

Mass window

Total: ~500 M events

~250 M events - centrality 30-80%



We use TPC and TOF (Time of Flight) for the particle identification. The purity for anti-proton is over 99%.

Range/value

0.4 < p < 2.5 [GeV/c]

0.8 < m² < 1.0 [GeV²/c⁴]

-1.5 < N < 1.5



 f_0 and d_0 are two important parameters in characterizing the strong interaction between two particles.

The scattering length f_0 in quantum mechanics describes low-energy scattering. The elastic cross section, σ_e , at low energies determined solely by the scattering length:

 $\lim_{k \to 0} \sigma_e = 4\pi f_0^2$ Here k is the wave number.

 $\rm d_{_0}$ is the effective range of strong interaction between two particles. It corresponds to the range of the potential in an extremely simplified scenario - the square well potential.

Correlations and the ratio - Au+Au @ 200 GeV



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\mathbf{f}_0 and \mathbf{d}_0 for antiproton-antiproton

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- Within errors, the f0 and d0 for the antiproton-antiproton interaction are consistent with the ones for the proton-proton interaction.
- The result provides a quantitative verification of matter-antimatter symmetry in the context of the forces responsible for the binding of (anti)nuclei.
- Our measurements provide input for descriptions of the interaction among antiprotons, one of the simplest systems of antinucleons(nuclei).

Two-proton correlations at Beam Energy Scan energies



Data selection

Example monitors for Au+Au collisions @ 39 GeV

Iotal: ~101 M events			
~63 M events – ce	ntrality	30-80%	
~26 M events – ce	ntrality	10-30%	
~13 M events - ce	ntrality	0-10%	
Centrality selection based on MC Glauber calculation			

Cut	Range/value	
Momentum (p)	0.4 < p < 3.0 [GeV/c]	
Mass window	0.76 < m² < 1.03 [GeV²/c⁴]	
Νσ	-3.0 < N < 3.0	

ToF







Analysis Au+Au collisions @ 7.7 GeV and 11.5 GeV



Centrality 0-10% Centrality 10-30%

Analysis Au+Au collisions @ 7.7 GeV and 11.5 GeV



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Summary

- (anti)proton femtoscopy sensitive to Quantum Statistic Effects and

Final State Interactions

- Different strong interaction due to annihilation processes
- the result of antiproton-antiproton CF

from 200 GeV Au+Au collisions (Nature 527, 345 (2015)):

 \ast extracted $\boldsymbol{f}_{_{0}}$ and $\boldsymbol{d}_{_{0}}$

* this result provides a fundamental ingredient for understanding the structure of more complex anti-nuclei and their properties

- Data analysed: 7.7 GeV, 11.5 GeV, 39 GeV

- proton - proton, antiproton - antiproton and proton - antiproton systems checked

 \rightarrow The range of correlations different for identical and nonidentical

particle combinations

- From the proton – proton, antiproton – antiproton and proton – antiproton correlation functions we find source size parameters are dependent on collision energy as well as the collision centrality

* the higher the collision energy the larger the source parameter

$$R_{p-p}(39\,GeV) > R_{p-p}(11.5\,GeV) > R_{p-p}(7.7\,GeV)$$

* the more central the collision the larger the source parameter

 $R_{p-p}(0-10\%) > R_{p-p}(10-30\%) > R_{p-p}(30-80\%)$

Thank You for Your attention!

BACKUP

Multiplicity

	Events	Tracks	Pairs
39 GeV (0-10%)	13 M	71 M (protons) 20 M (antiprotons)	394 M (p-p) 32 M (pbar-pbar) 111 M (p-pbar)
39 GeV (10-30%)	26 M	91 M (protons) 28 M (antiprotons)	326 M (p-p) 30 M (pbar-pbar) 100 M (p-pbar)
39 GeV (30-80%)	63 M	58 M (protons) 21 M (antiprotons)	77 M (p-p) 9 M (pbar-pbar) 27 M (p-pbar)
11.5 GeV (0-10%)	1.3 M	13 M (protons) 398 k (antiprotons)	129 M (p-p) 120 k (pbar-pbar) 4.0 M (p-pbar)
11.5 GeV (10-30%)	2.6 M	15 M (protons) 537 k (antiprotons)	93 M (p-p) 108 k (pbar-pbar) 3.2 M (p-pbar)
11.5 GeV (30-80%)	6.4 M	9 M (protons) 183 k (antiprotons)	19 M (p-p) 34 k (pbar-pbar) 0.4 M (p-pbar)
7.7 GeV (0-10%)	0.47 M	6.1 M (protons) 43 k (antiprotons)	79 M (p-p) 3.9 k (pbar-pbar) 566 k (p-pbar)
7.7 GeV (10-30%)	0.93 M	6.9 M (protons) 55 k (antiprotons)	53 M (p-p) 3.2 k (pbar-pbar) 358 k (p-pbar)
7.7 GeV (30-80%)	2.04 M	3.3 M (protons) 4 k (antiprotons)	11 M (p-p) 1.0 k (pbar-pbar) 9 k (p-pbar)

Analysis Au+Au collisions @ 200 GeV



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Antiproton-antiproton Correlation Function

The theoretical Correlation Function can be obtained with:

$$CF(k^{*}) = \frac{\sum_{pair} \delta(k_{pair}^{*} - k^{*}) \omega(k^{*}, r^{*})}{\sum_{pair} \delta(k_{pair}^{*} - k^{*})}$$

where:
$$\omega(k^{*}, r^{*}) = |\psi_{k^{*}}^{S(-)}(r^{*}) + (-1)^{S} \psi_{k^{*}}^{S(+)}(r^{*})|^{2}/2$$
$$\psi_{-k^{*}}^{S(+)}(r^{*}) = e^{i\delta_{c}} \sqrt{A_{c}(\eta)} [e^{-ik^{*}r^{*}}F(-i\eta, 1, i\xi) + f_{c}(k^{*})\frac{\widetilde{G}(\rho, \eta)}{r^{*}}]$$
$$f_{c}(k^{*}) = [\frac{1}{f_{0}} + \frac{1}{2}d_{0}k^{*2} - \frac{2}{a_{c}}h(k^{*}a_{c}) - ik^{*}A_{c}(k^{*})]^{-1}$$

is the wave scattering amplitude renormalized by Coulomb interaction

$$A_{c}(k^{*}) = (2\pi/k^{*}a_{c})\frac{1}{\exp(2\pi/k^{*}a_{c}) - 1} \qquad h(x) = \frac{1}{x^{2}}\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}\frac{1}{n(n^{2} + x^{-2})} - C + \ln|x|$$

 $\widetilde{G}(\rho,\eta) = \sqrt{A_c(k^*)}(G_0(\rho,\eta) + iF_0(\rho,\eta))$

is a combination of regular (F_0) and singular (G_0) s-wave Coulomb Functions