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Proton femtoscopy in BES

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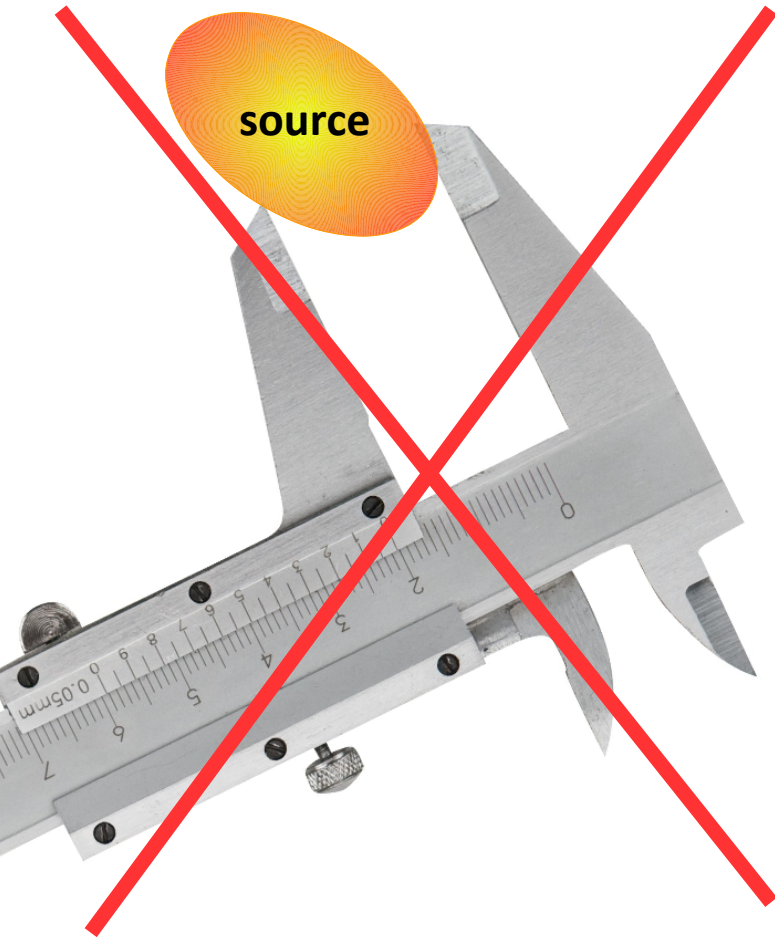
Outline

- 1) Motivation and basics of proton femtoscopy
- 2) Cuts used and monitors for Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 39$ GeV
- 3) Results from Beam Energy Scan:
 - a) Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 39$ GeV
 - b) Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 11.5$ GeV
 - c) Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 7.7$ GeV
- 4) Summary and conclusions

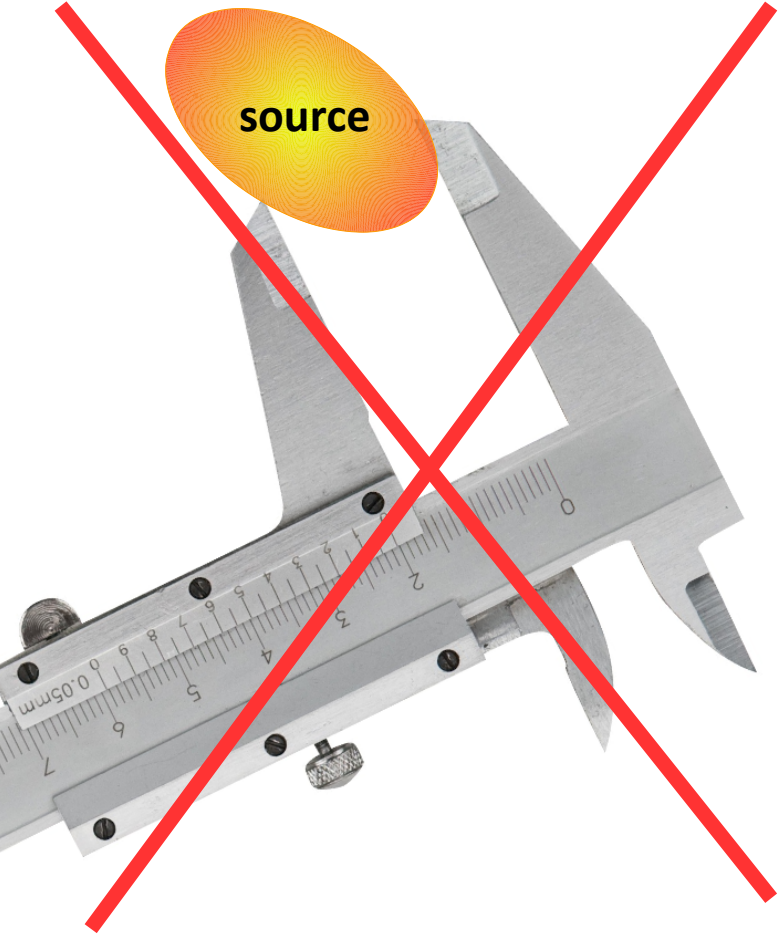
Motivation

- if we extract the source radii from baryon-baryon correlations **we will be able to compare those with the radii already obtained from meson-meson and meson-baryon correlations** - such comparison will provide us with complementary information about the source characteristics
- the knowledge about interactions between two baryons, two antibaryons and between baryons and antibaryons, **when compiled, will give us a more differential view on properties of nuclear matter**

Few words about femtoscopy

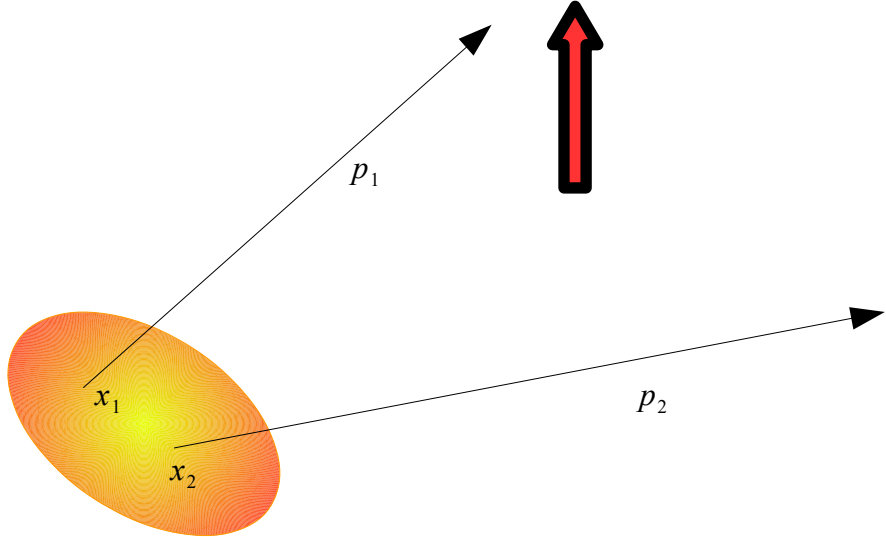


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The correlation function

$$C(p_1, p_2) = \frac{P_2(p_1, p_2)}{P_1(p_1)P_2(p_2)}$$



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Two-particle distribution

$$P_2(p_1, p_2) = E_1 E_2 \frac{dN}{d^3 p_1 d^3 p_2} = \int d^4 x_1 S(x_1, p_1) d^4 x_2 S(x_2, p_2) \Phi(x_2, p_2 | x_1, p_1)$$

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$S(x, p)$ - emission function: the distribution of source density probability of finding particle with x and p

Single-particle distribution

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

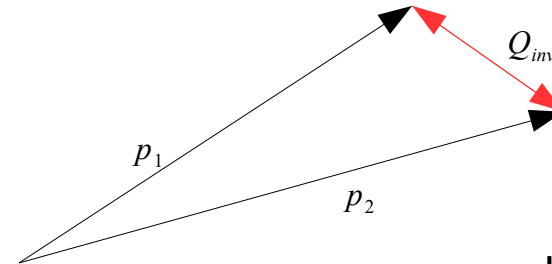
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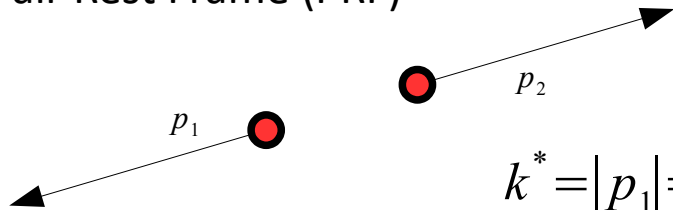
In Longitudinal Co-Moving System (LCMS)



Identical baryons

k^*

In Pair Rest Frame (PRF)



$$k^* = |p_1| = |p_2|$$

Non-identical baryons

$$Q_{inv} = 2k^*$$

for $m_1 = m_2$

Proton correlations

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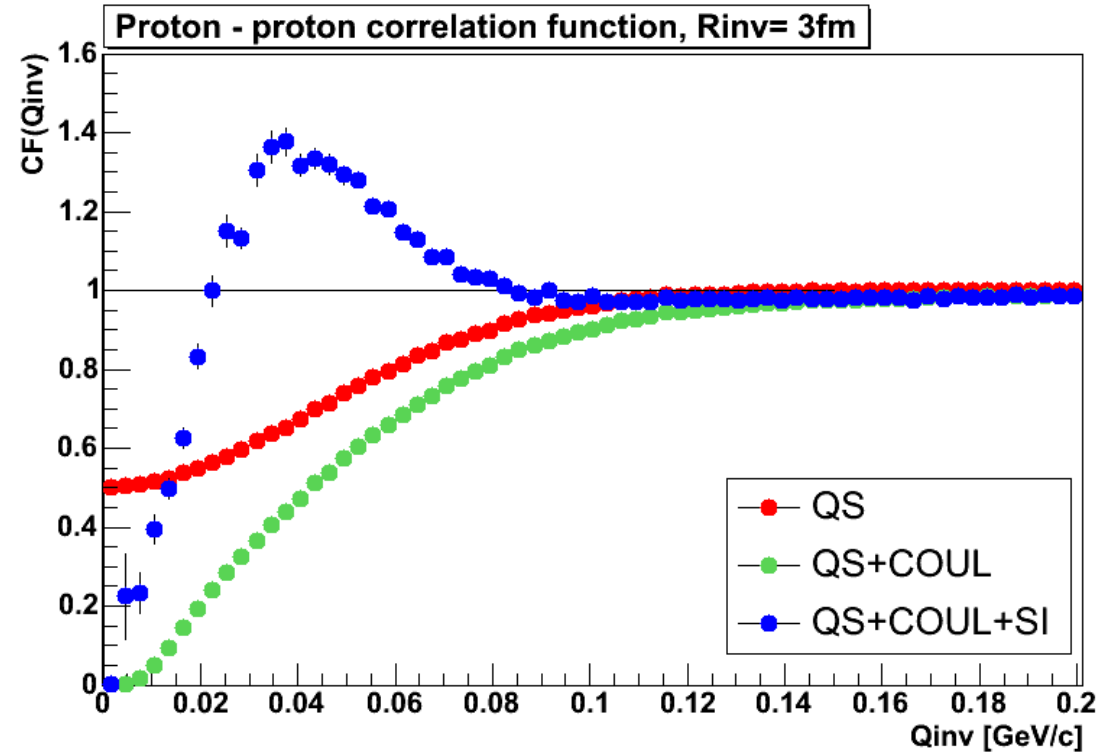
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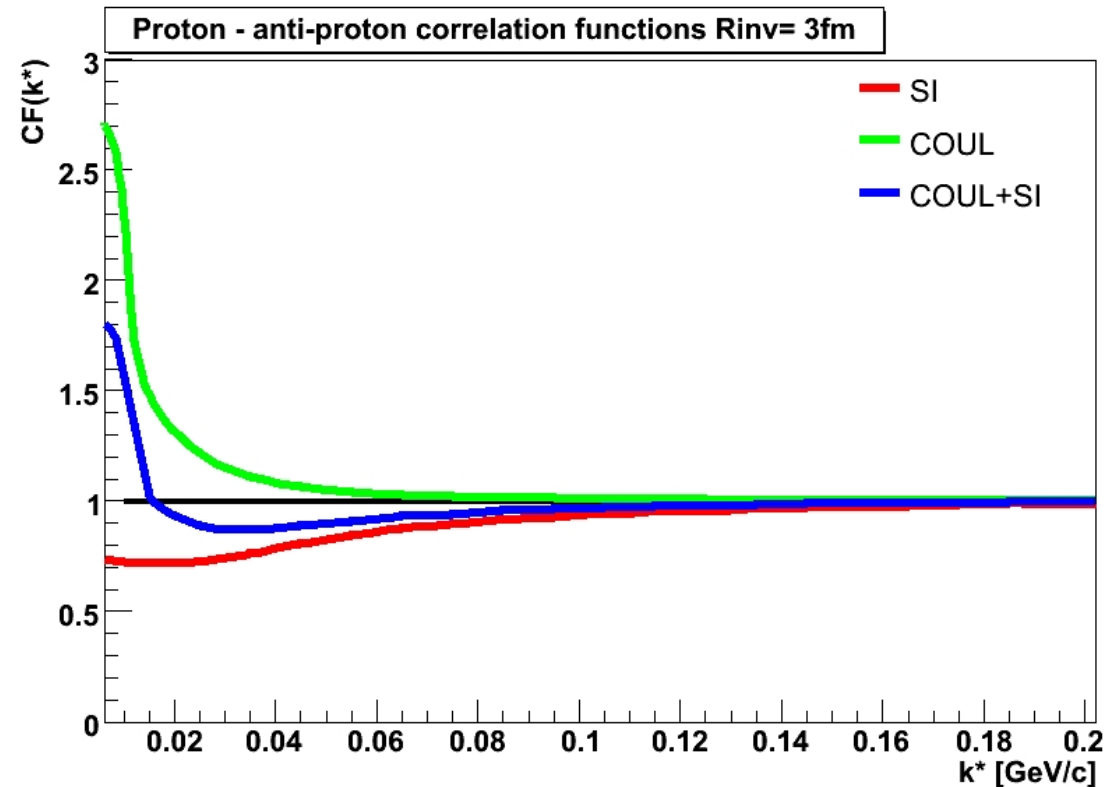
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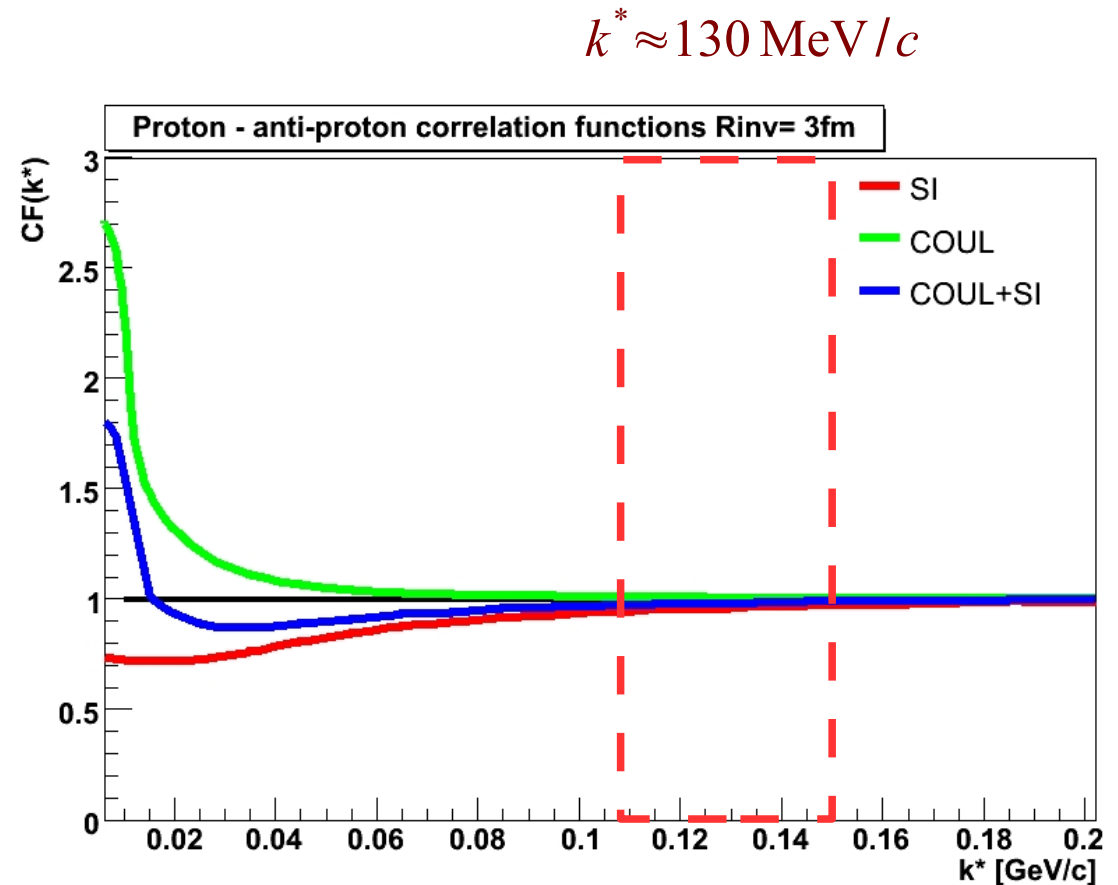
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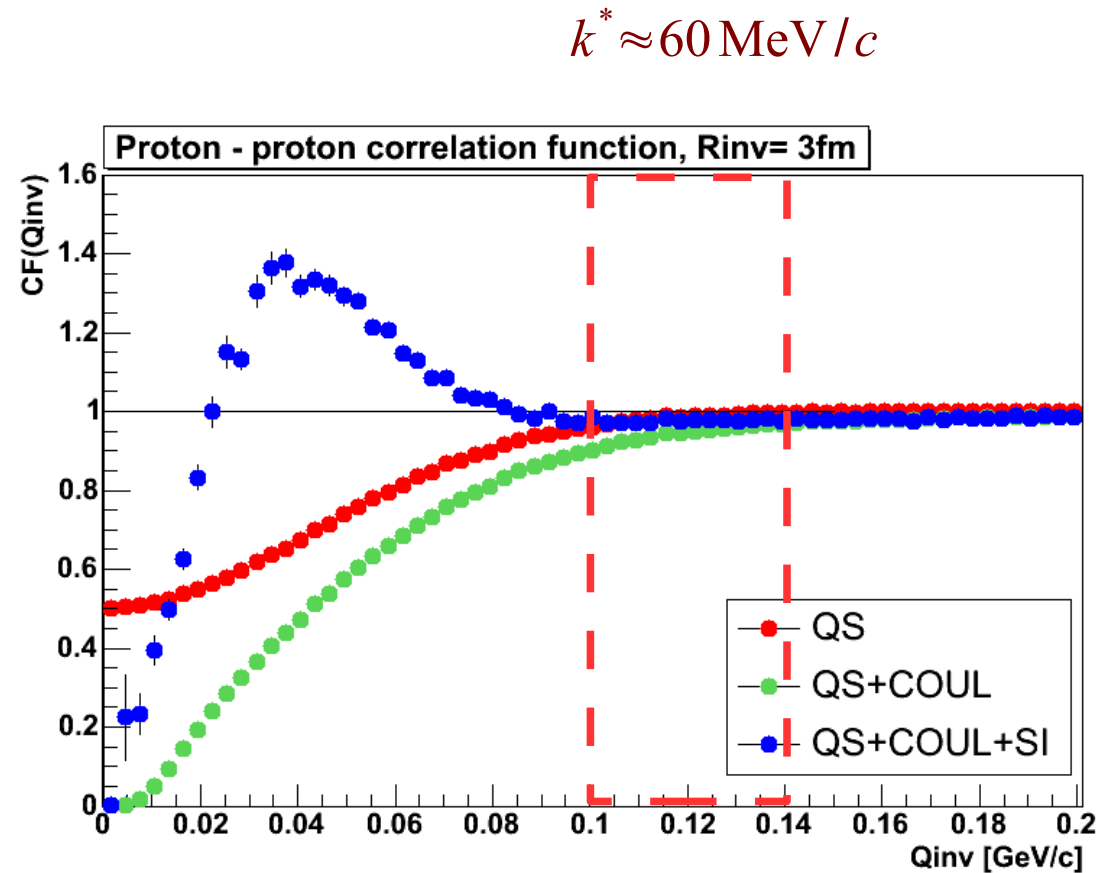
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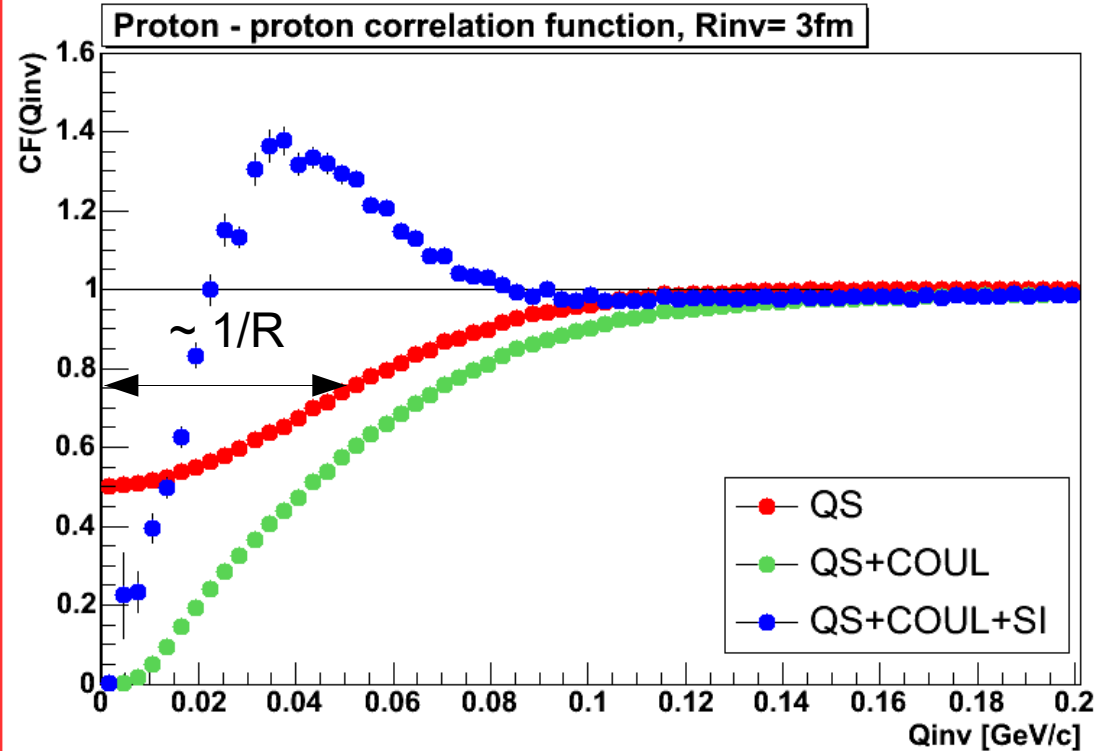
Proton correlations

Why do this?

We can calculate Radii using the correlation functions.

The width of the Quantum Statistics part in correlation functions is inversely proportional to the Radius of the „source” size.

The Radii can be qualitatively compared by comparing the height of the peak in identical baryon-baryon correlation functions, because it also is inversely dependent on Radius of the „source” size.

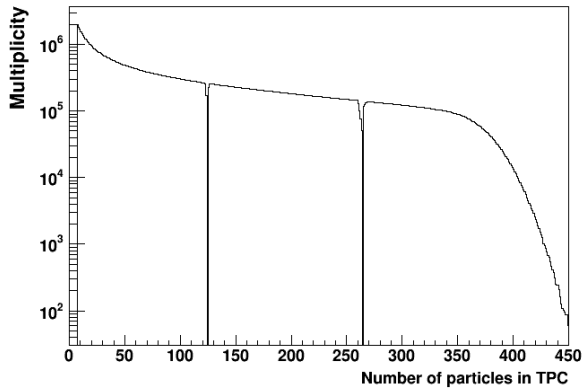


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Data selection

Example monitors for Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 39$ GeV

Multiplicity monitor



Total: 101 M events

63 M events – centrality 30-80%

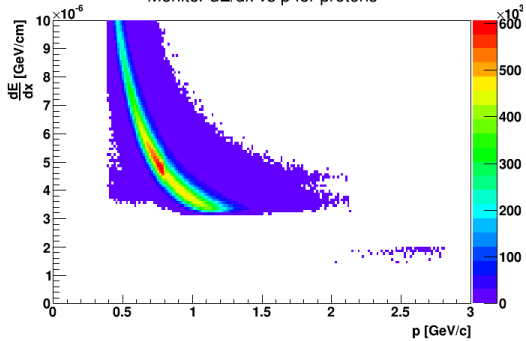
26 M events – centrality 10-30%

13 M events – centrality 0-10%

Cut	Range/value
Momentum (p)	$0.4 < p < 3.0$ [GeV/c]
Mass^2 window	$0.76 < m < 1.03$ [GeV^2/c^4]
N σ	$-3.0 < N < 3.0$
Z vertex:	[cm]
- 7.7 GeV	$-70 < z < 70$
- 11.5 GeV	$-50 < z < 50$
- 39 GeV	$-30 < z < 30$

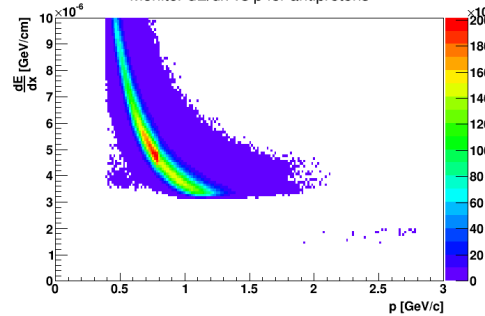
Centrality selection based on MC Glauber calculation

Monitor dE/dx vs p for protons



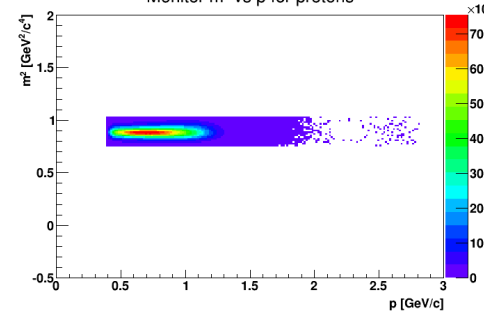
TPC

Monitor dE/dx vs p for antiprotons



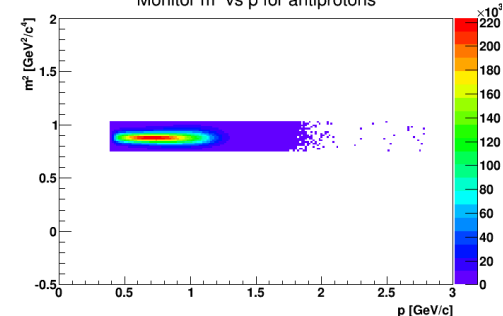
below $p=0.8$ GeV/c
information from TPC is
sufficient for particle
identification

Monitor m^2 vs p for protons



ToF

Monitor m^2 vs p for antiprotons



above $p=0.8$ GeV/c
we need combined
information from TPC
and ToF in order to
properly identify
particles

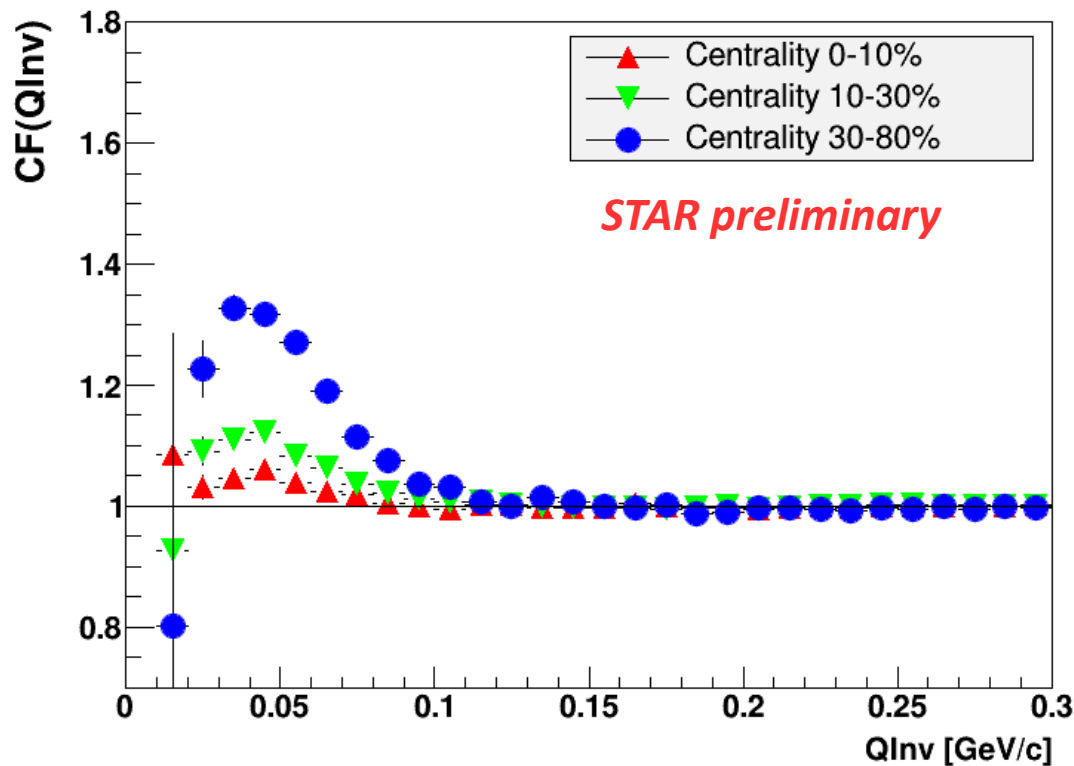
Analysis Au+Au collisions @ 39 GeV

Measured correlation functions are shown

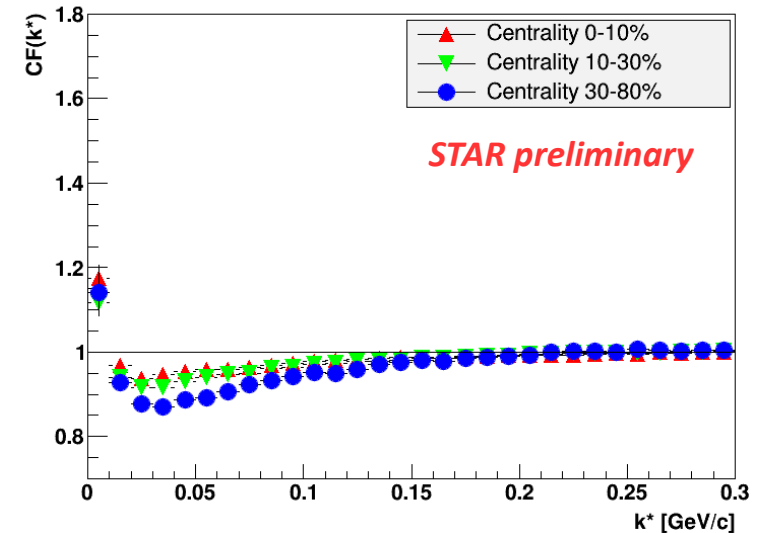
Clear centrality dependence

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

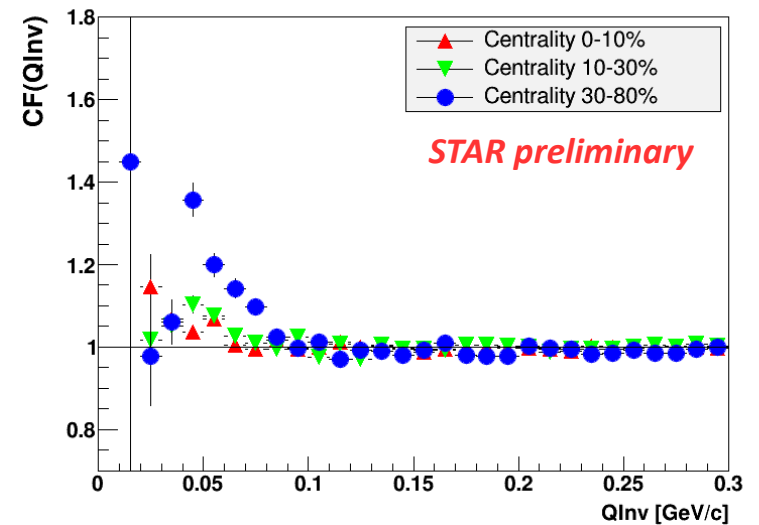
Proton-Proton CFs



Proton-Antiproton CFs



Antiproton-Antiproton CFs



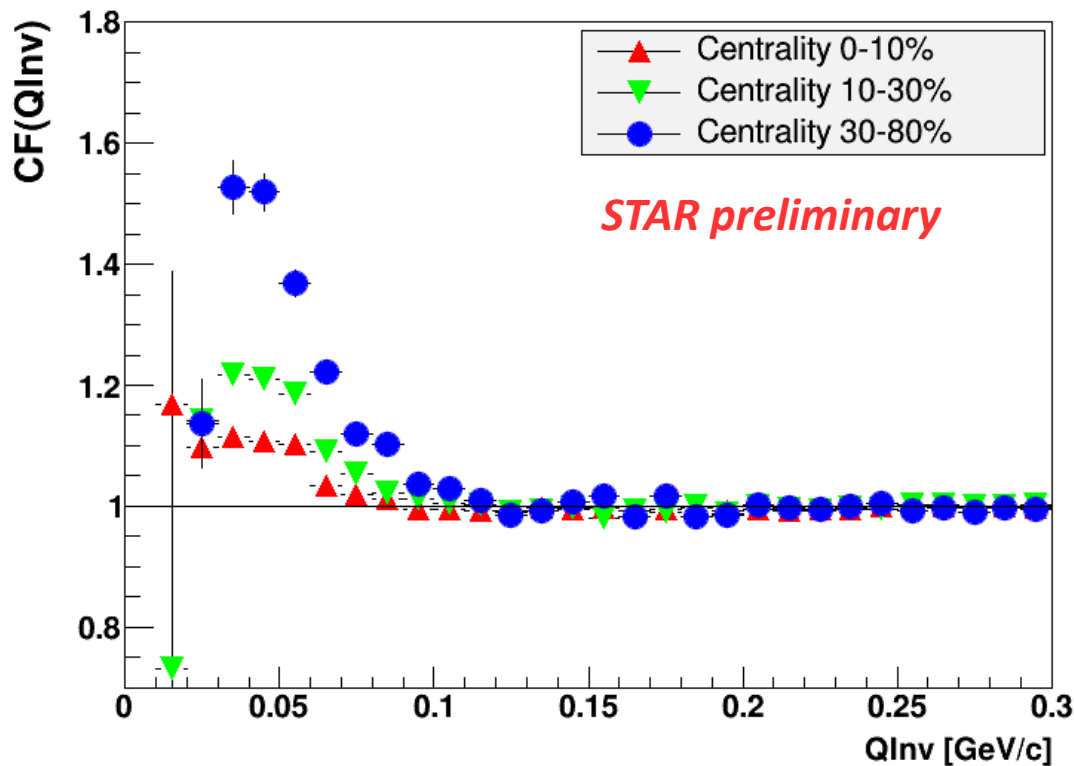
Analysis Au+Au collisions @ 11.5 GeV

Measured correlation functions are shown

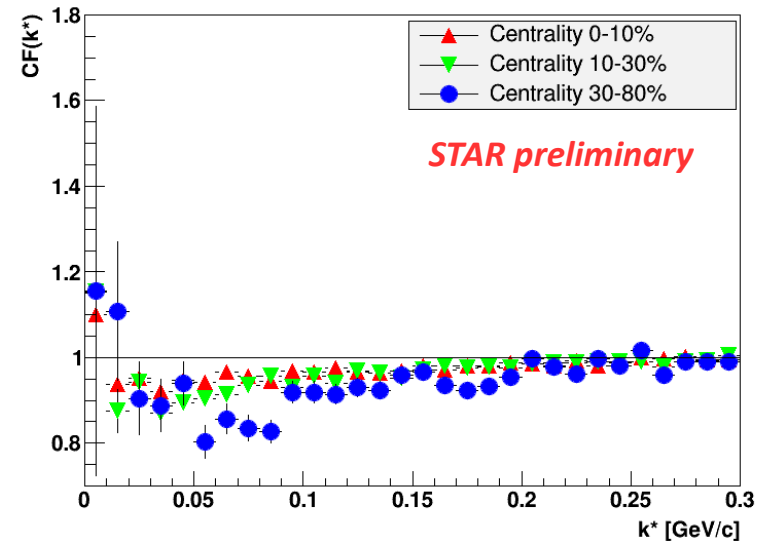
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Proton-Antiproton CFs



Antiproton-Antiproton CFs

not available due to
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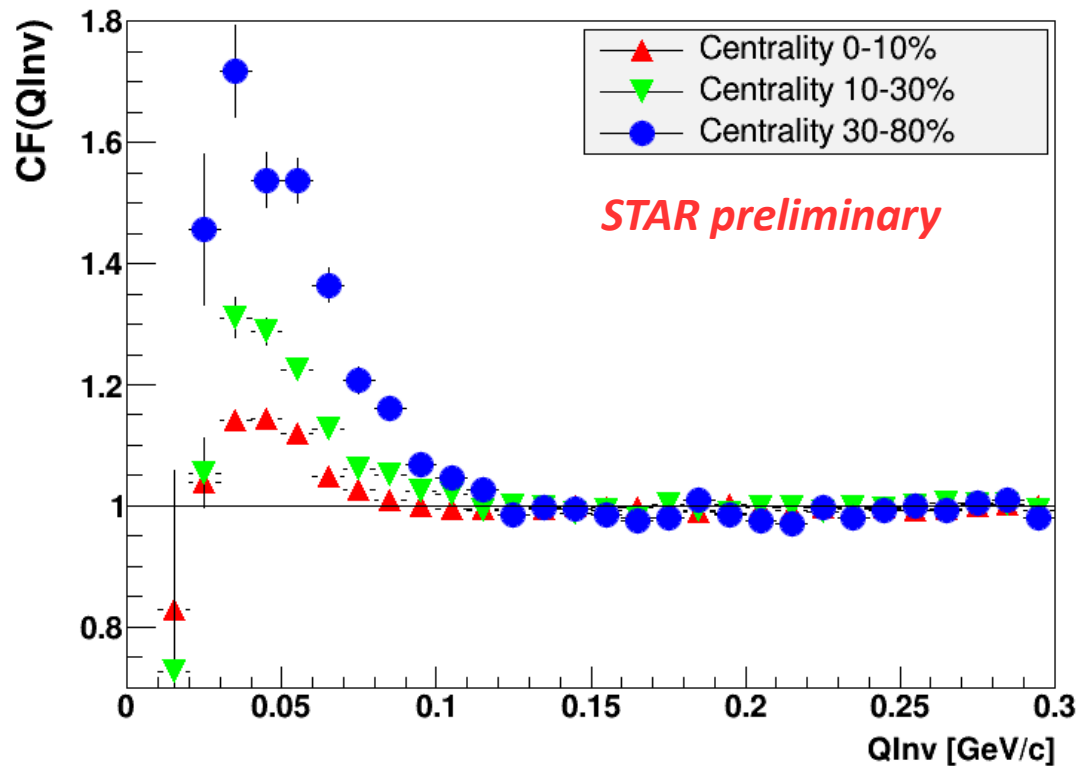
Analysis Au+Au collisions @ 7.7 GeV

Measured correlation functions are shown

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Proton-Proton CFs



Proton-Antiproton CFs

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Analysis Au+Au collisions - comparison of plots for different energies

Measured correlation functions are shown

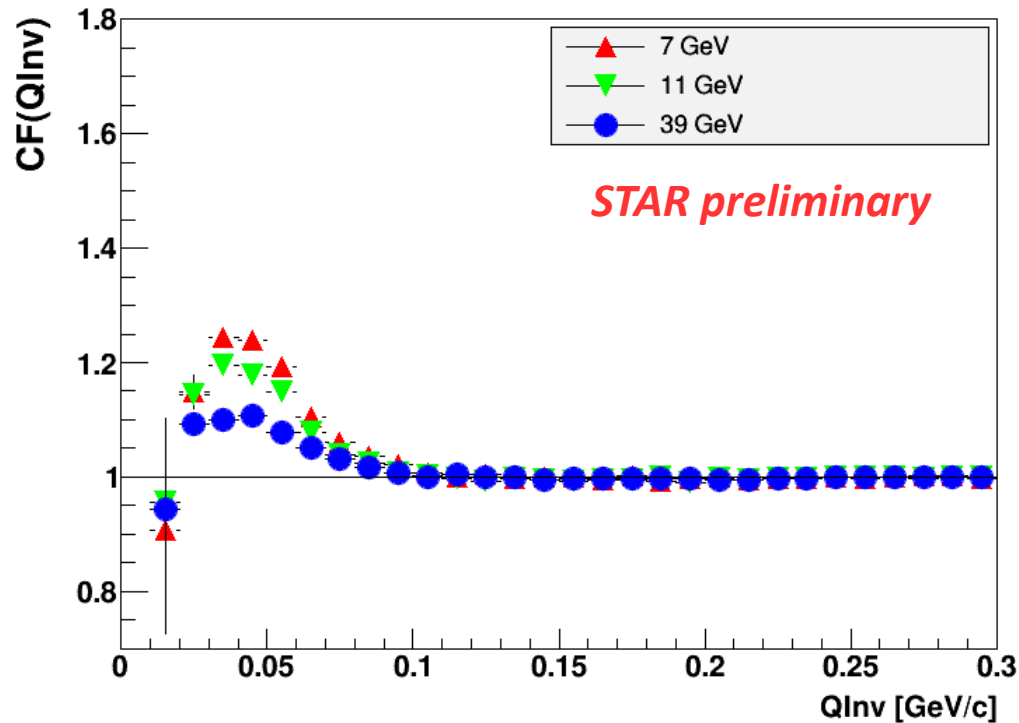
Clear energy dependence

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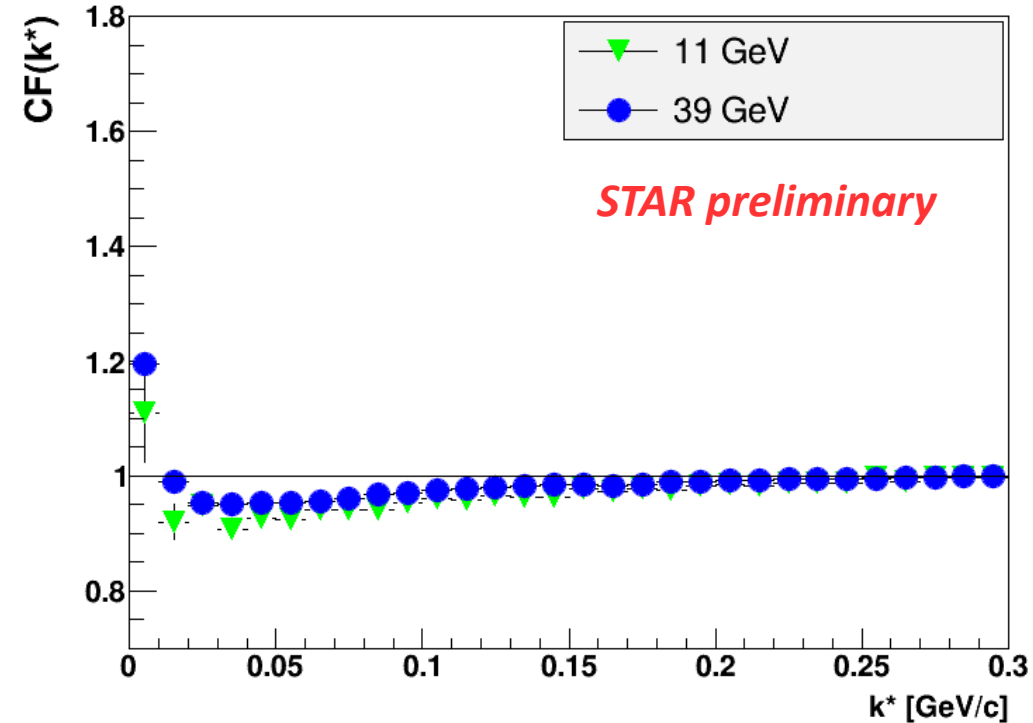
Antiproton-Antiproton pairs have been added to Proton-Proton pairs in order to have Identical Baryon CFs with increased statistics

Plots are 0-80% centrality

Identical Baryon CFs



Proton-Antiproton CFs



Summary

- (anti)proton femtoscopy sensitive to Quantum Statistic Effects and Final State Interactions
- different strong interaction influence due to annihilation processes
- **data analysed: 7.7 GeV, 11.5 GeV, 39 GeV**
- **proton - proton, antiproton - antiproton and proton - antiproton systems checked**
 - => the range of correlations different for identical and non-identical particle combinations
- **the results allow for qualitative source sizes observation:**

a) radii increase with $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ at fixed centrality

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b) radii increase with centrality at fixed $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$

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Thank you for your attention