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Proton femtoscopy

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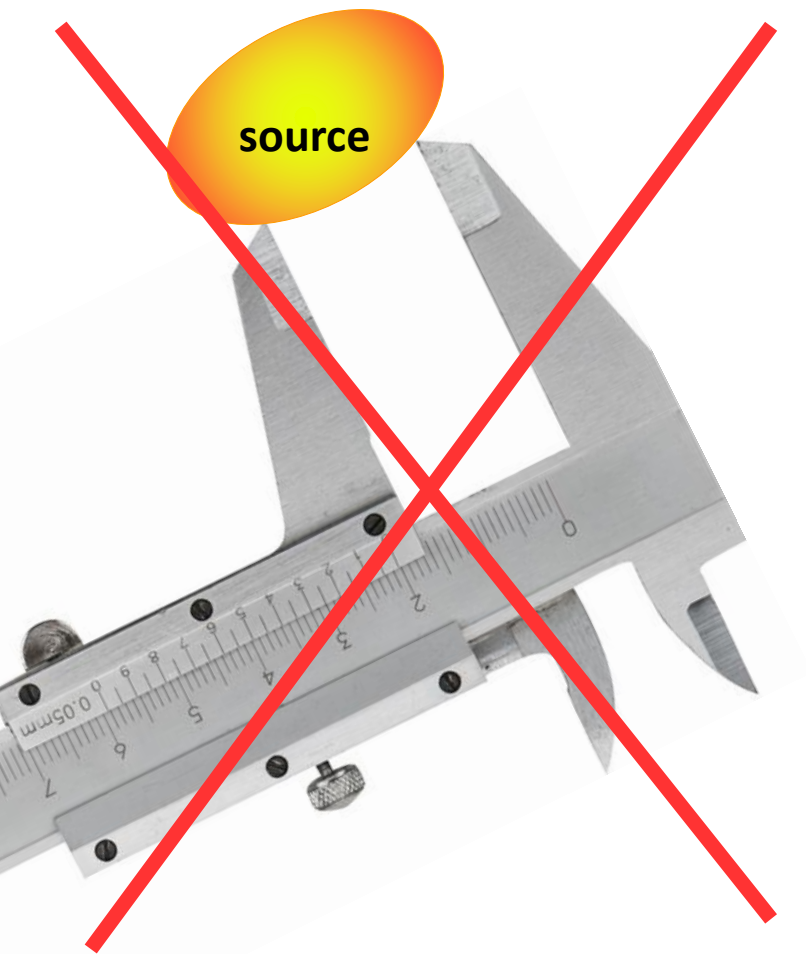
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Outline and motivation

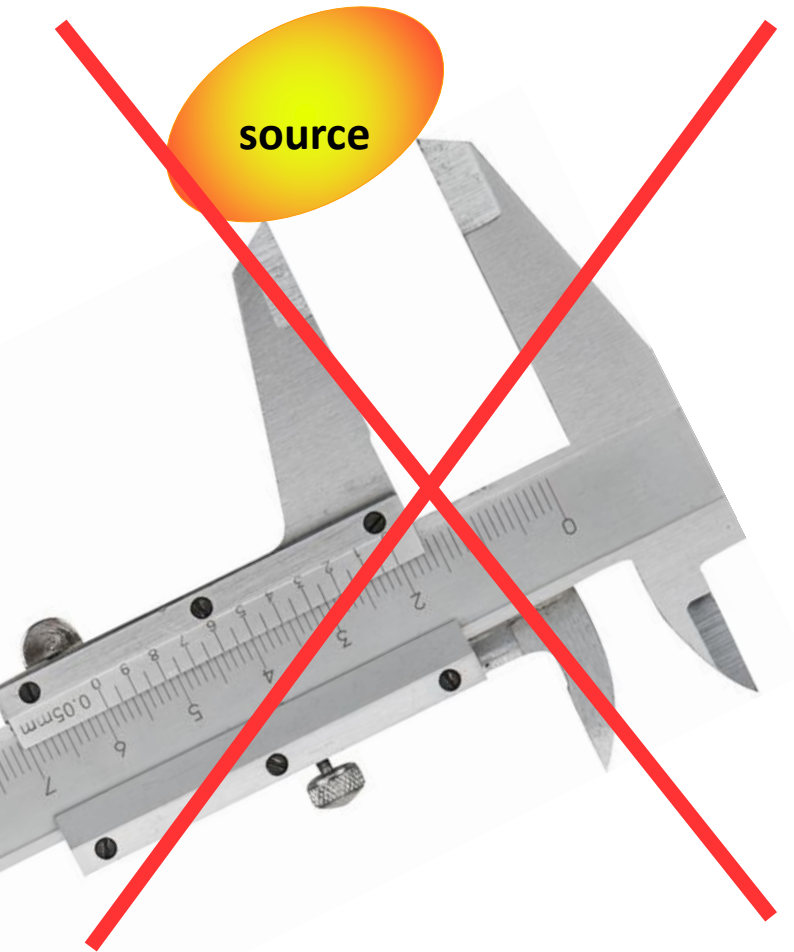
- 1) Motivation and basics of proton femtoscopy
- 2) Cuts used for Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 39$ GeV
- 3) Results from Beam Energy Scan:
Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 39, 11.5$ and 7.7 GeV
- 4) Summary and conclusions

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 complementary information about the source characteristics

Few words about femtoscopy

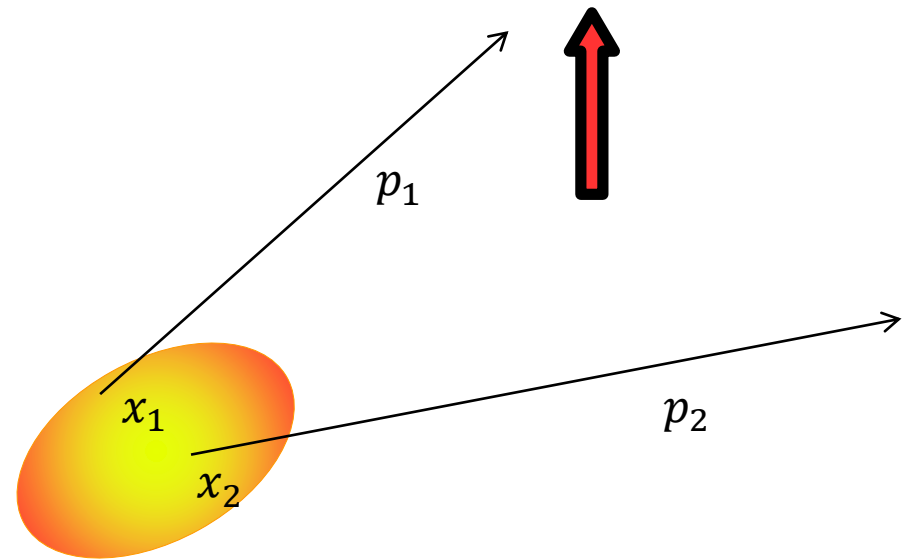


Few words about femtoscopy



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

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

Proton correlations

Identical baryon-baryon

- Quantum Statistics (QS)
- Final State Interactions:
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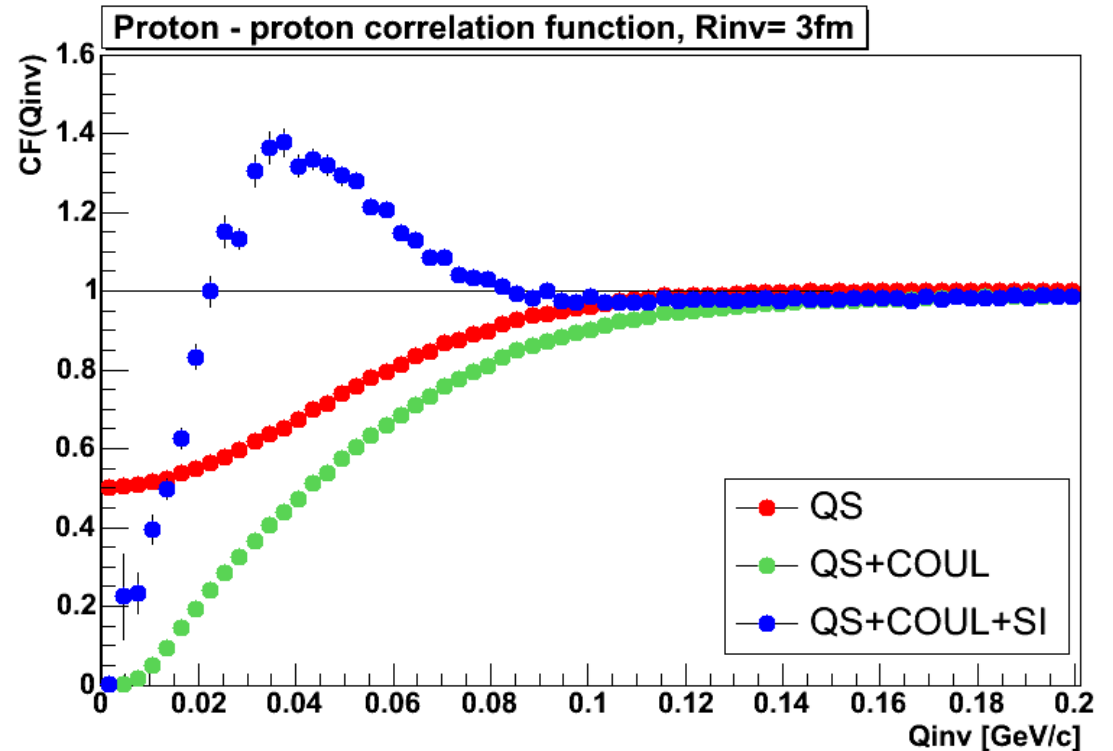
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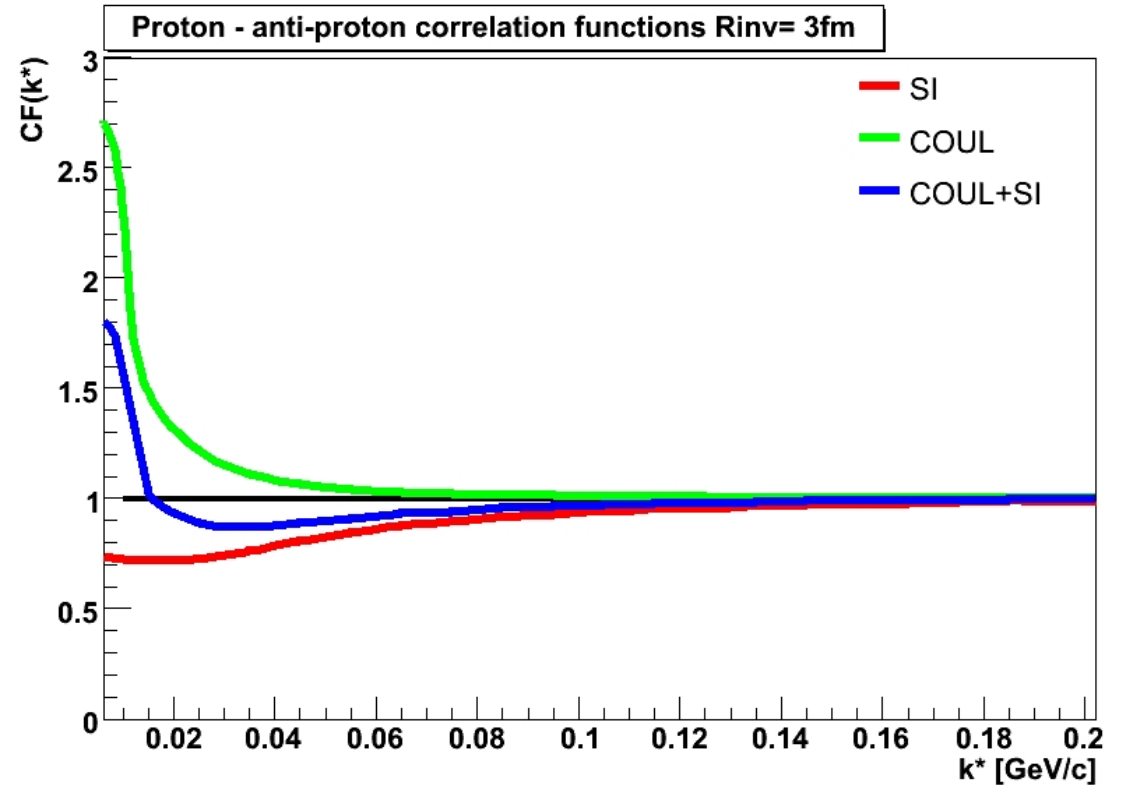
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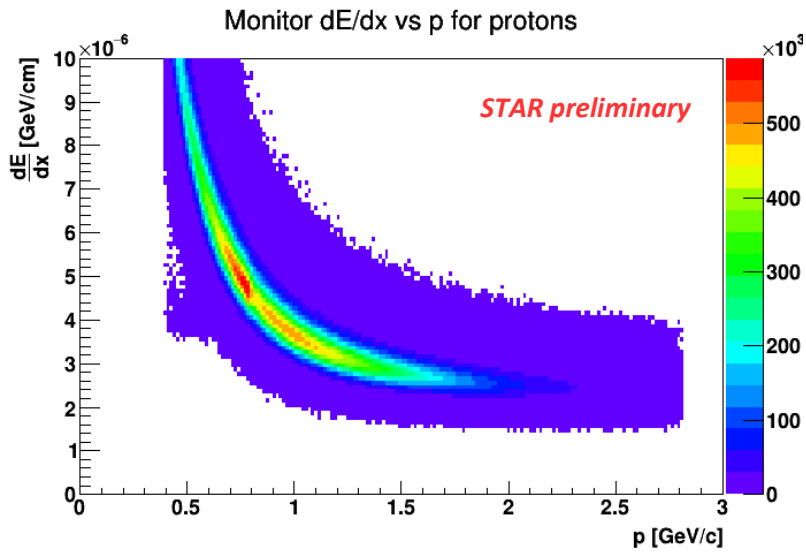


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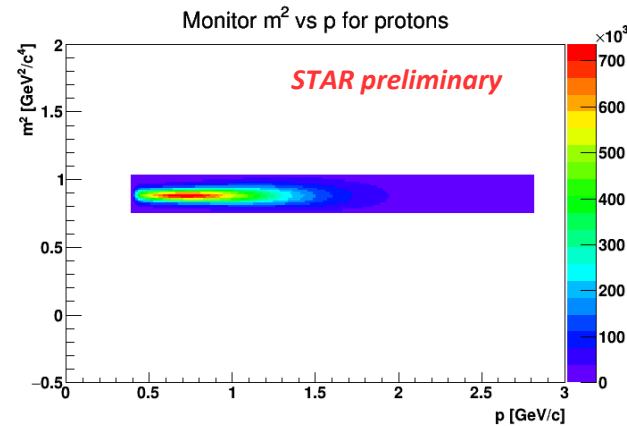
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Data selection

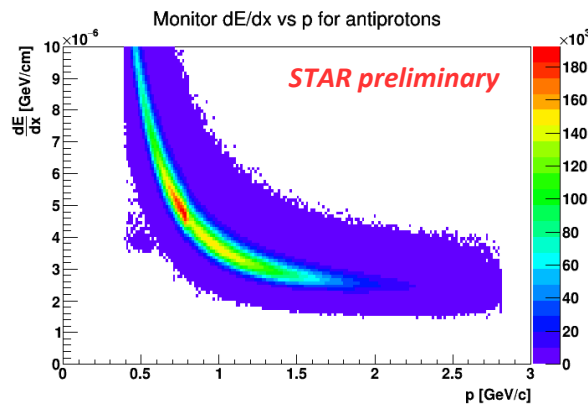
Example plots showing data that passed selection criteria for Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{s}_{NN} = 39$ GeV



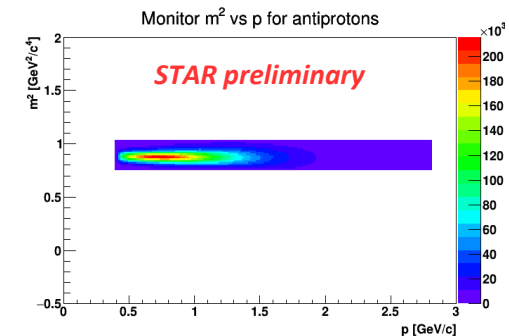
Cut	Range/value
Momentum (p)	$0.4 < p < 3.0$ [GeV/c]
Mass window	$0.76 < m < 1.03$ [GeV/c ²]
$N \sigma$	$-3.0 < N < 3.0$
Z vertex:	[cm]
- 7.7 GeV	$-70 < z < 70$
- 11.5 GeV	$-50 < z < 50$
- 39 GeV	$-30 < z < 30$



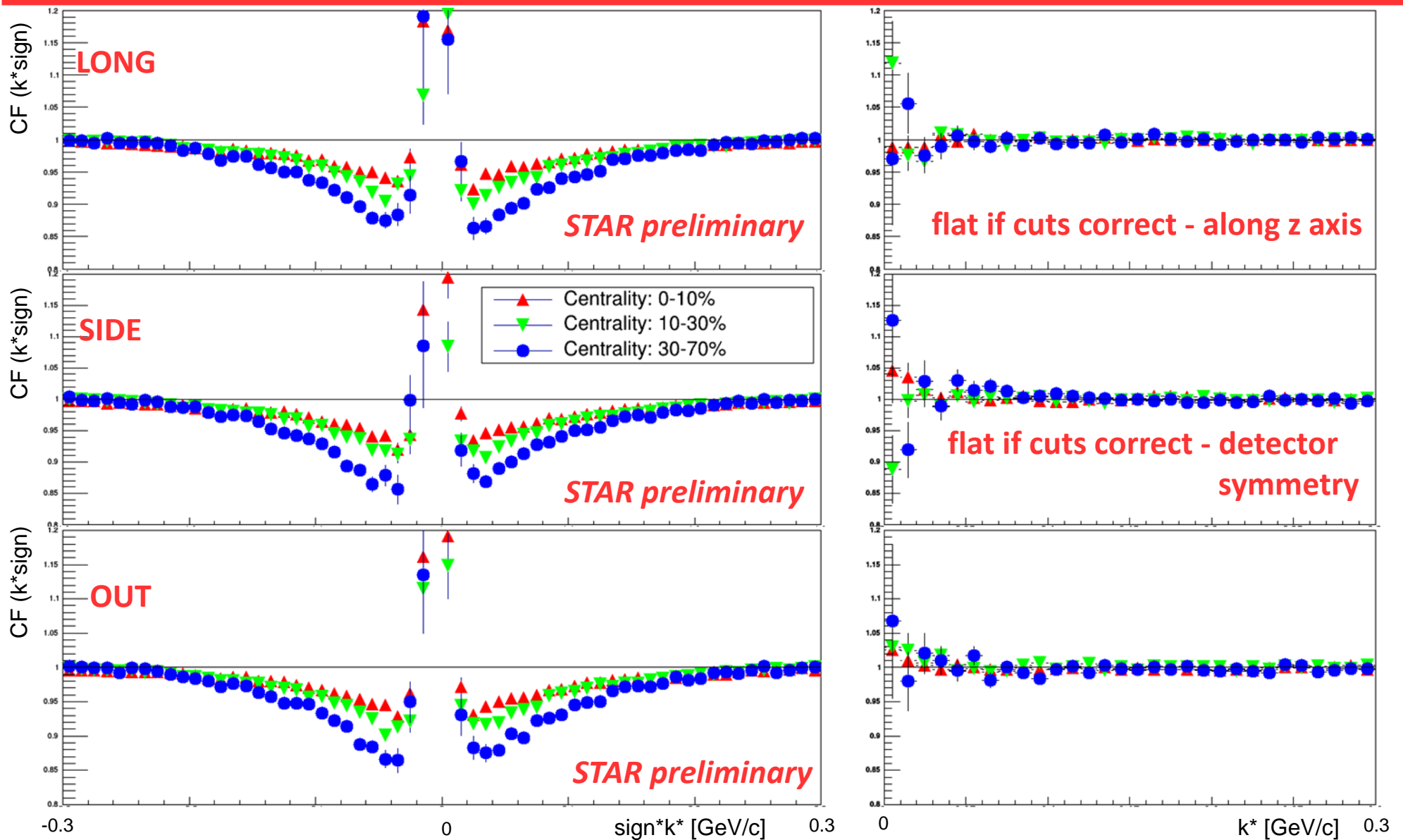
below $p=0.8$ GeV/c
information from TPC is
sufficient for particle
identification



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



Double Ratio



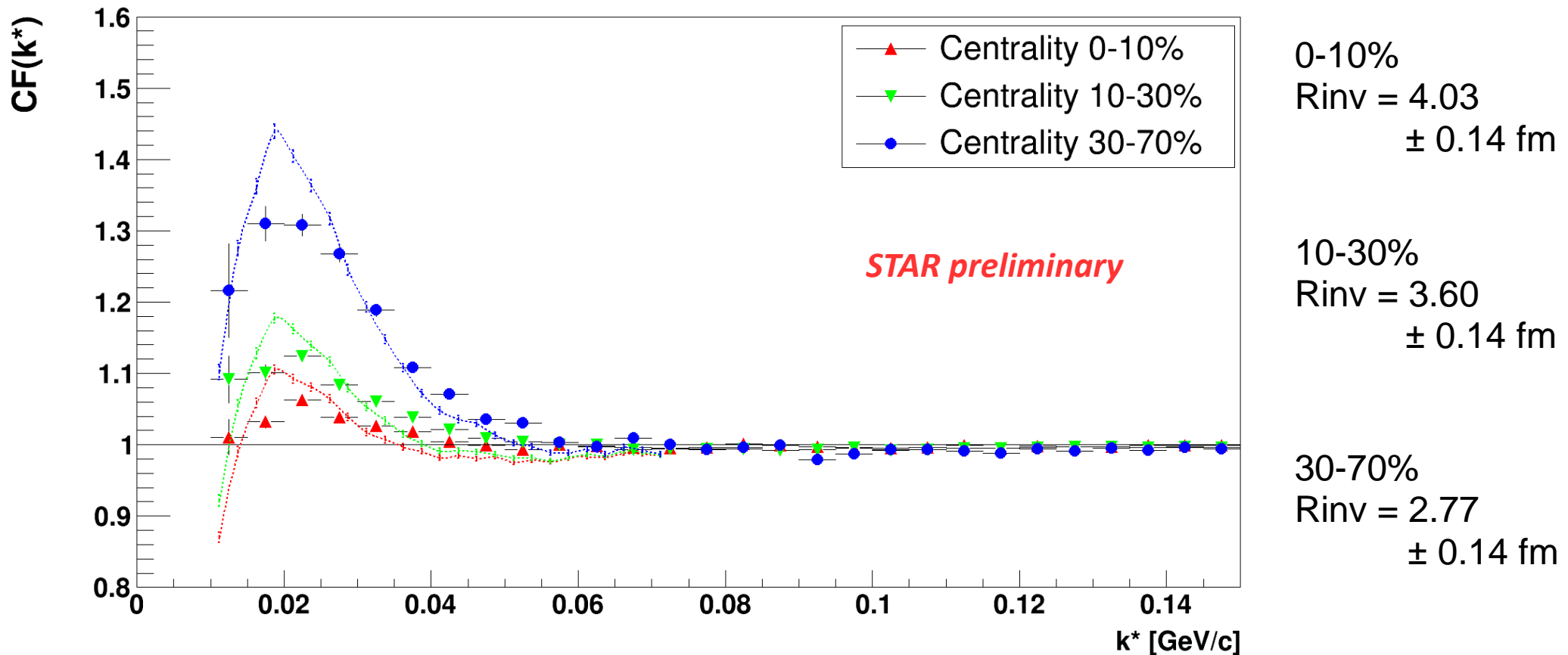
Analysis of Au+Au collisions @ 39 GeV

Measured correlation functions are shown

Clear centrality dependence

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Proton-Proton 39GeV CFs



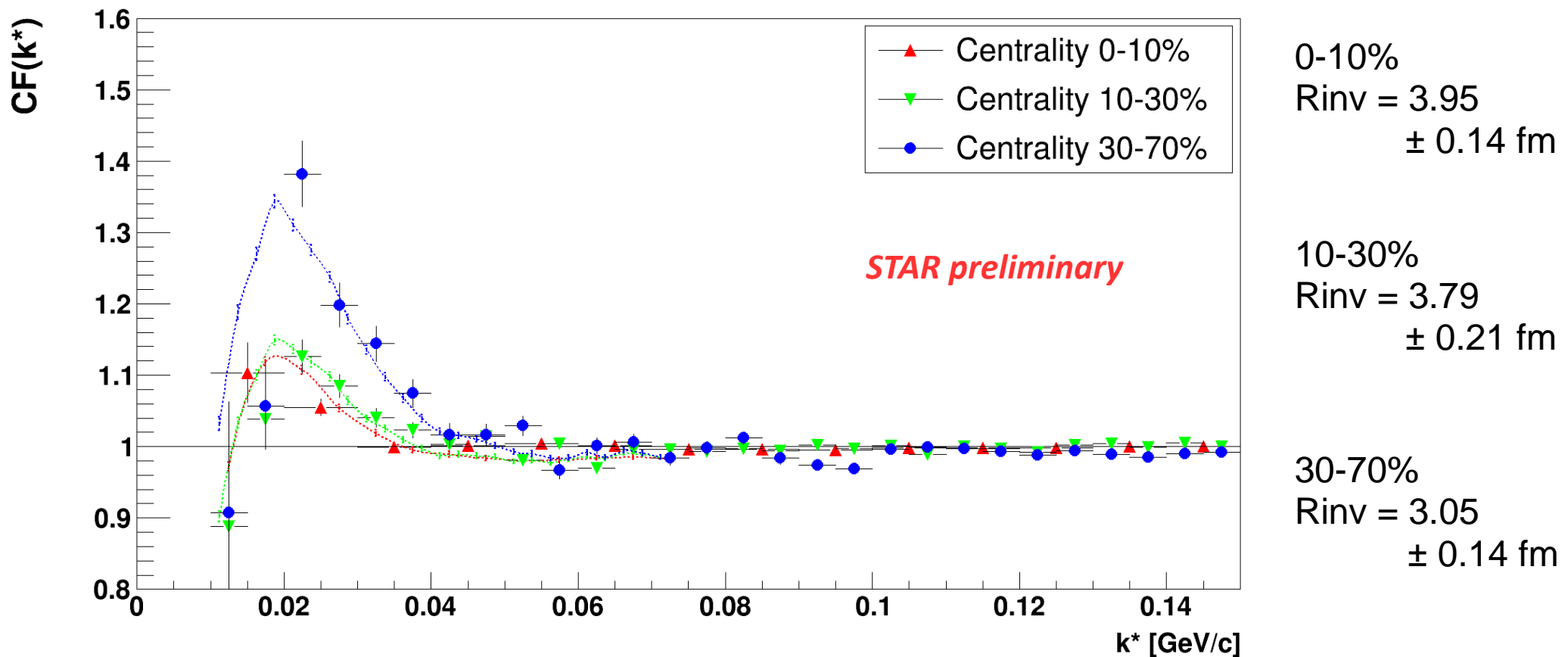
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Antiproton-Antiproton 39GeV CFs



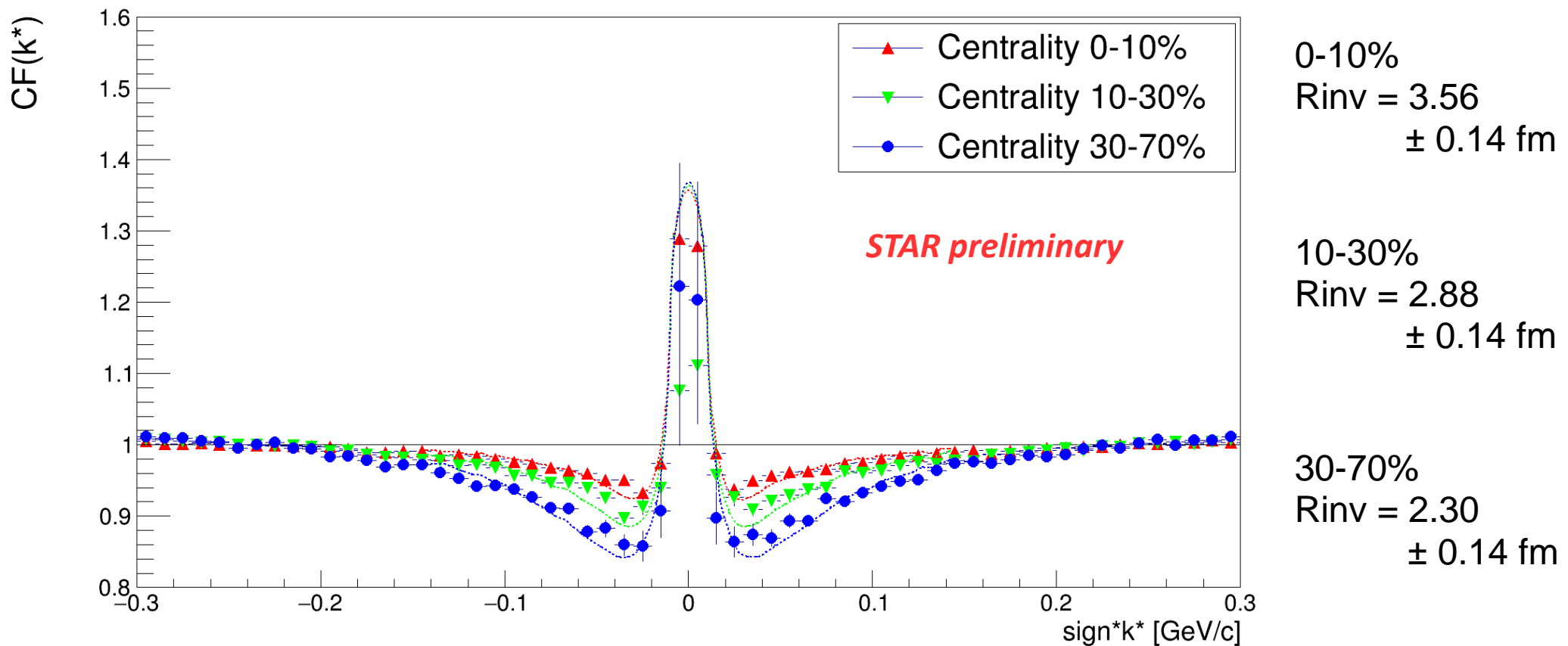
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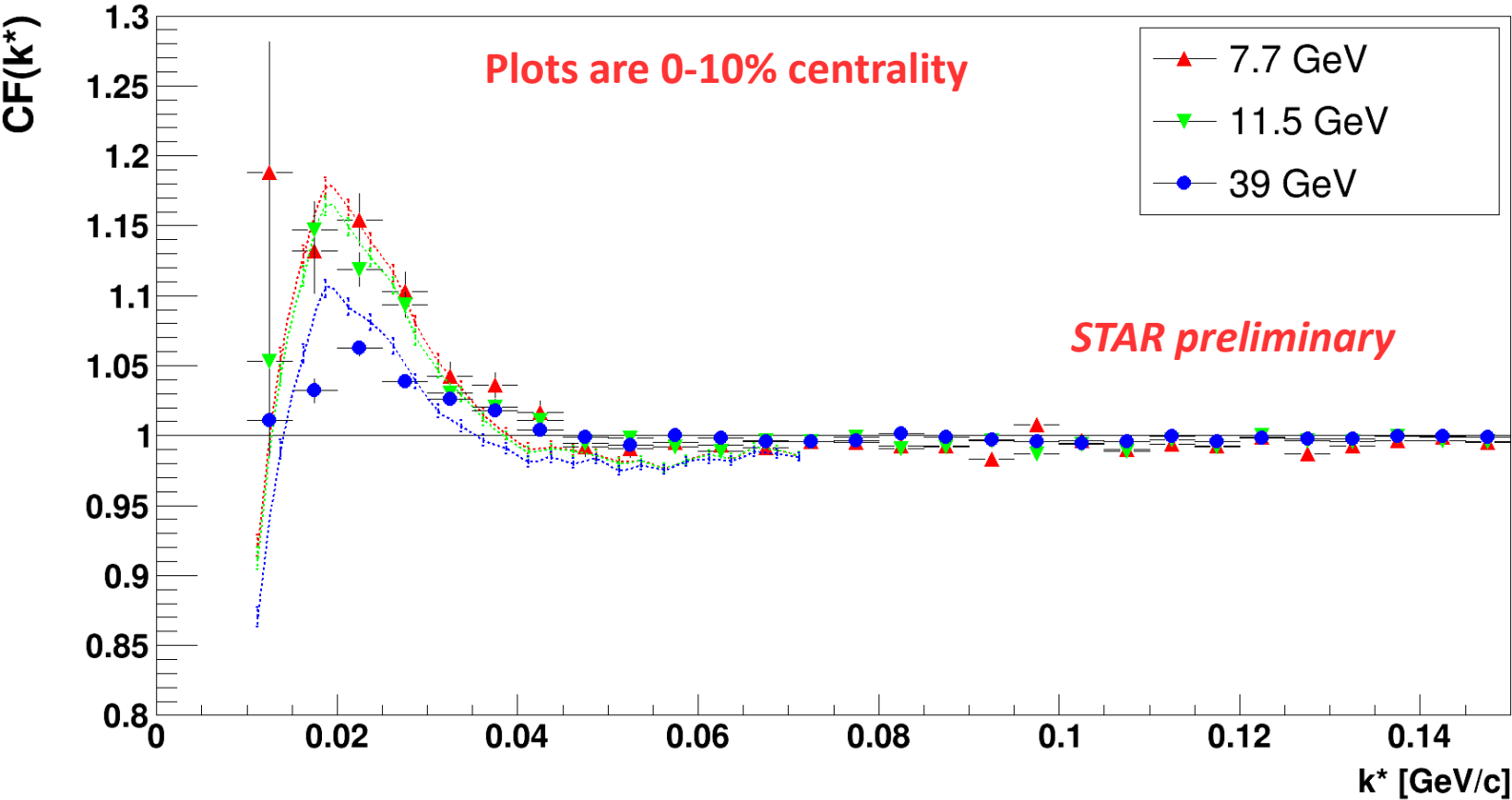


Analysis of Au+Au collisions - comparison of plots for different energies

Measured correlation functions are shown Clear energy dependence

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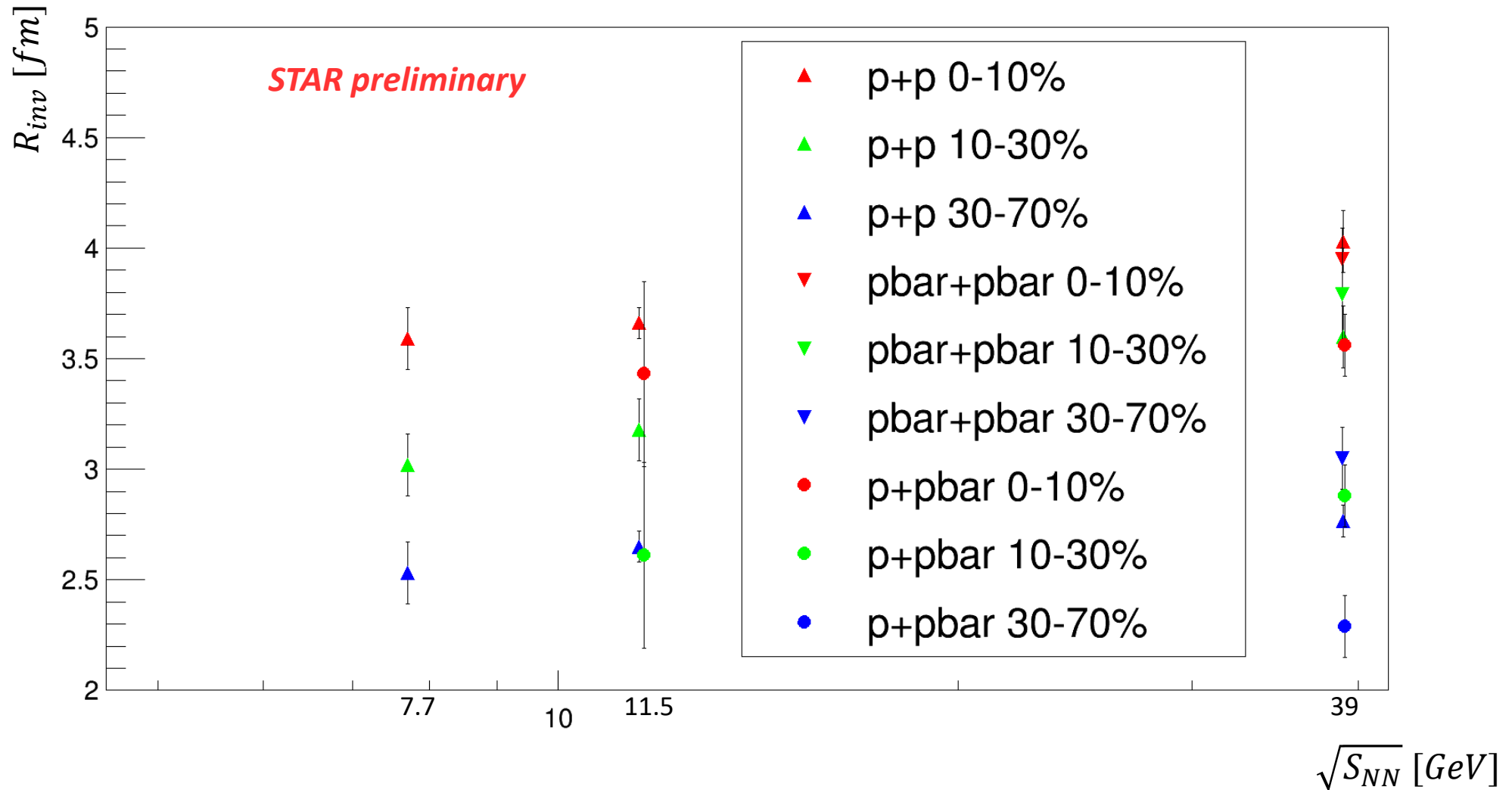


7 GeV 0-10%
 $R_{inv} = 3.59$
 ± 0.14 fm

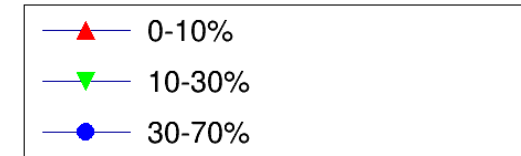
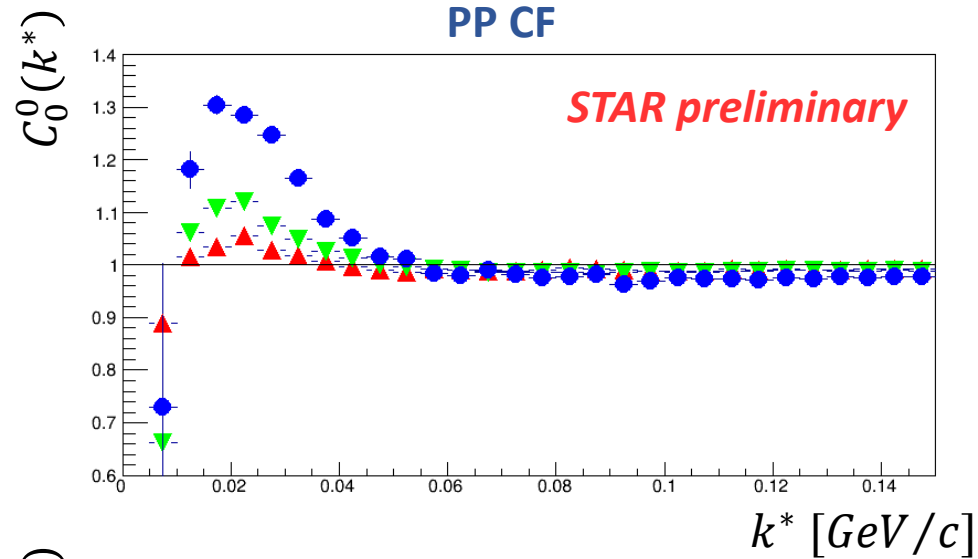
11 GeV 0-10%
 $R_{inv} = 3.661$
 ± 0.071 fm

39 GeV 0-10%
 $R_{inv} = 4.03$
 ± 0.14 fm

Analysis of Au+Au collisions - comparison



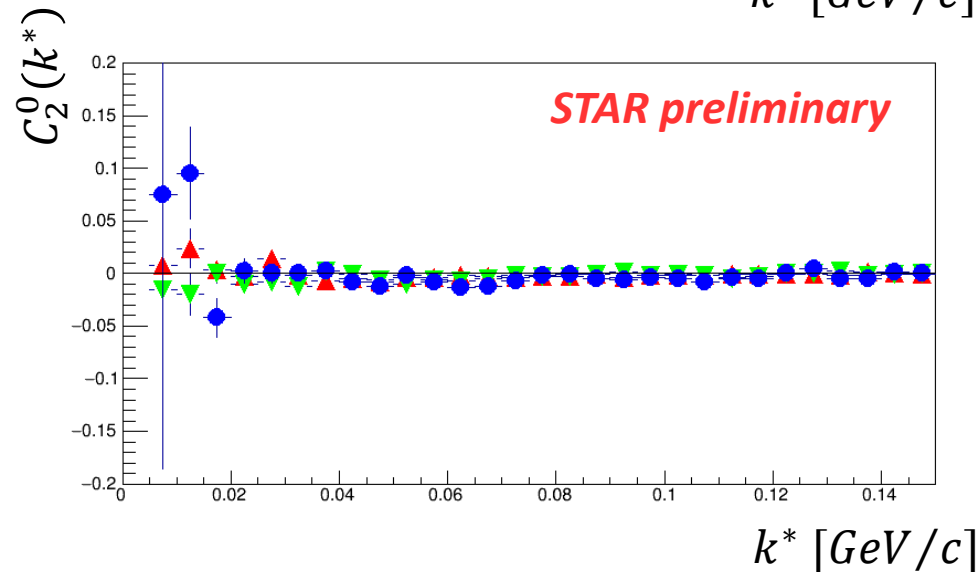
Analysis of Au+Au collisions @ 39 GeV – Spherical Harmonics



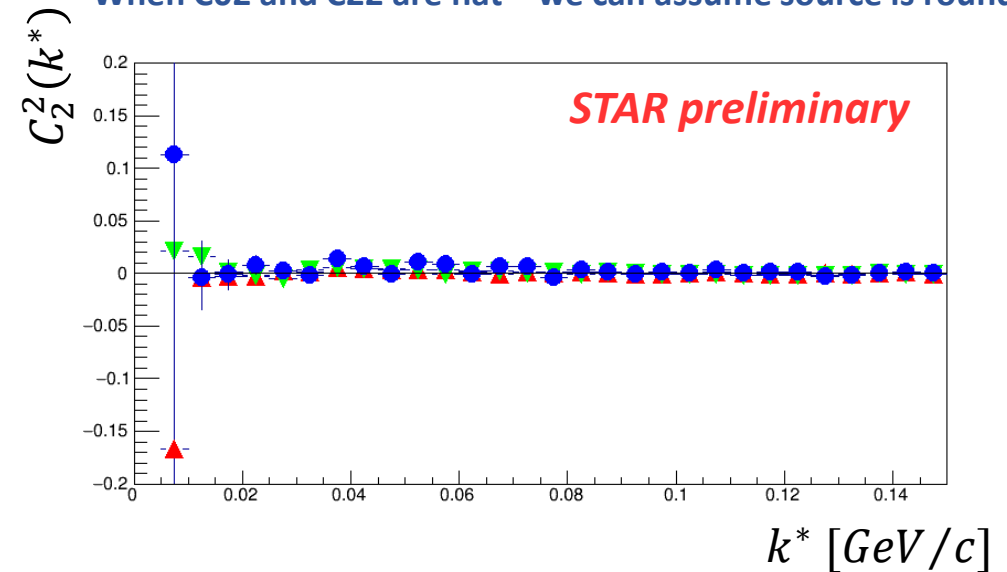
Spherical Harmonics – one of the most advanced representations of the correlation function

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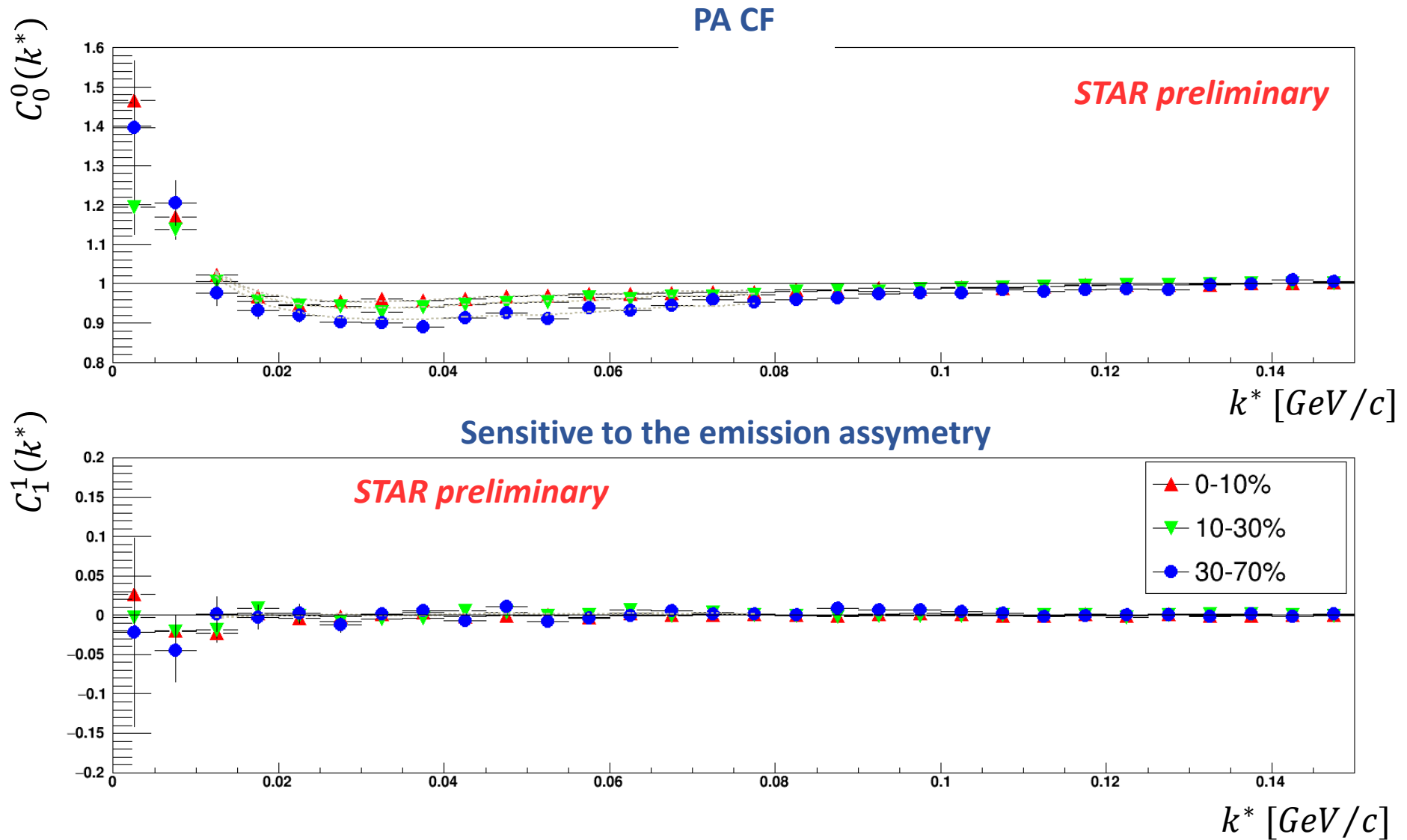
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When C_0^2 and C_2^2 are flat – we can assume source is round



Analysis of Au+Au collisions @ 39 GeV – Spherical Harmonics



Summary

- **Data analysed: 7.7 GeV, 11.5 GeV, 39 GeV**
- **Improved selection criteria provide better particle identification.**
- **proton - proton, antiproton - antiproton and proton - antiproton systems checked**
=> the range of correlations different for identical and non-identical particle combinations
- **(anti)proton femtoscopy sensitive to Quantum Statistic Effects and Final State Interactions**
=> Baryon-baryon and baryon-antibaryon CFs are differently affected by the strong interaction (due to the annihilation process)
- **the results allow for source sizes observation:**
radii increase with centrality at fixed \sqrt{s}_{NN}
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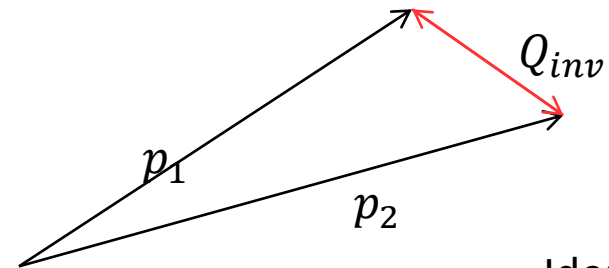
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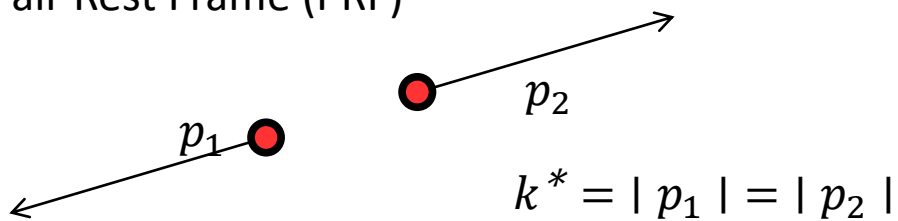
In Longitudinal Co-Moving System (LCMS)



Identical baryons

k^*

In Pair Rest Frame (PRF)



Non-identical baryons

A red oval with a black border containing the equation $Q_{inv} = 2k^*$ and the text "for $m_1 = m_2$ ".

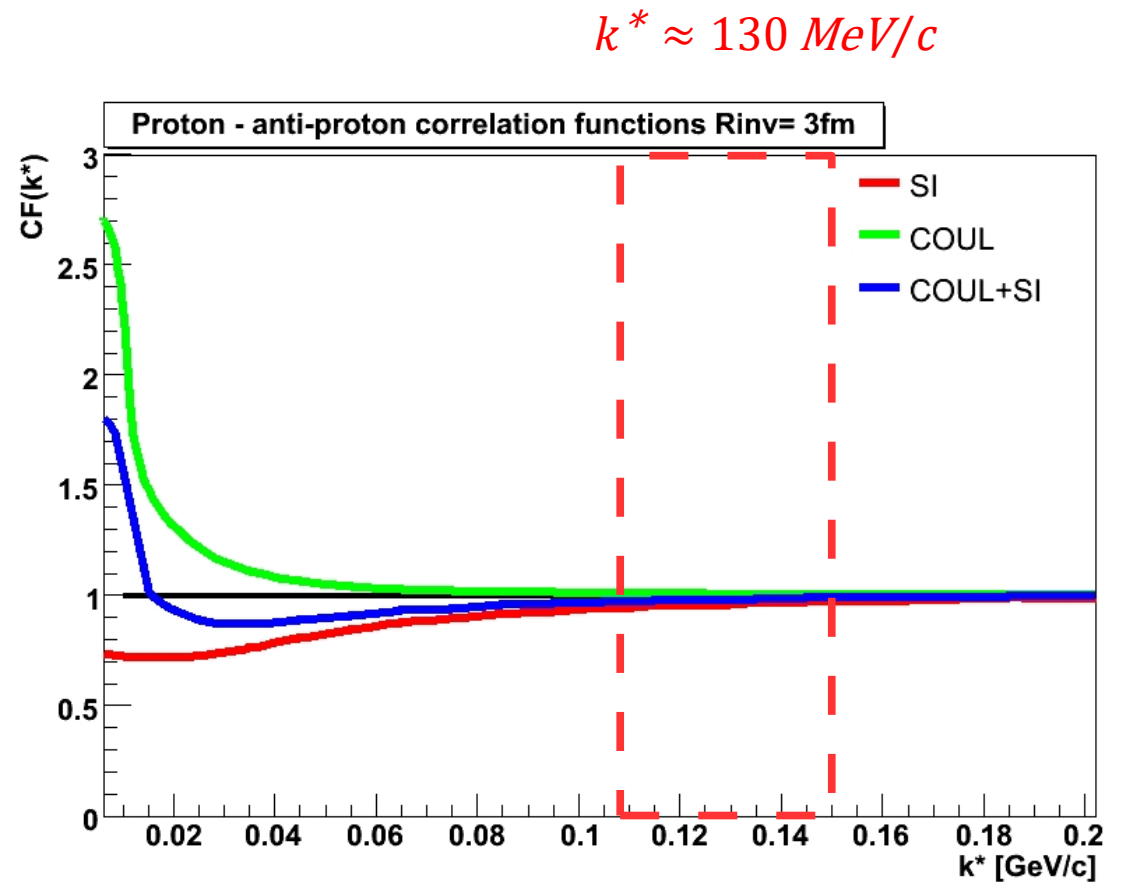
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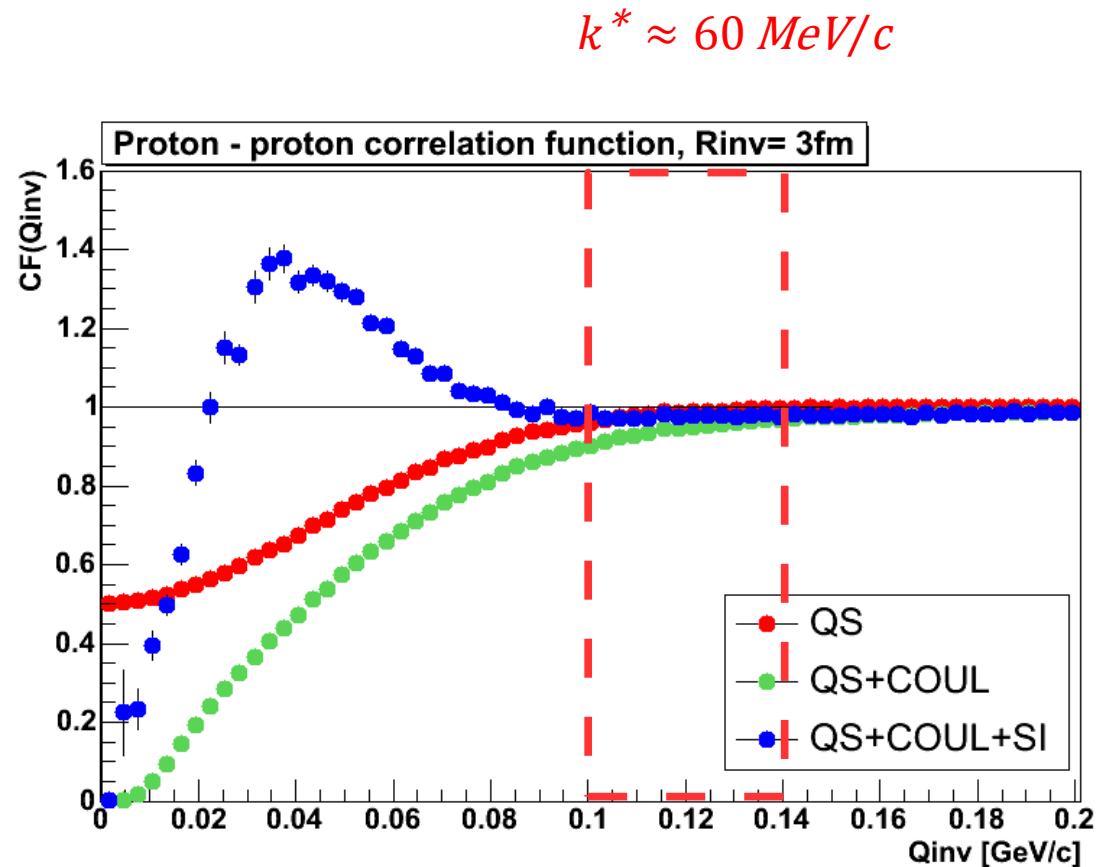
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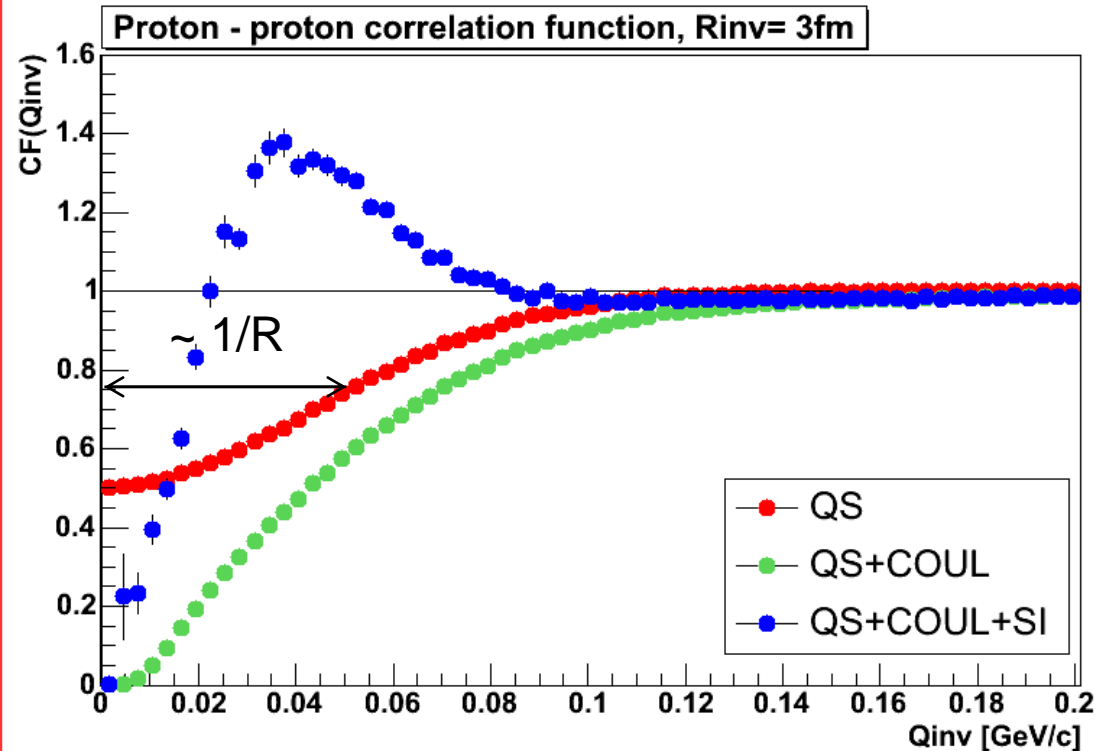
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Why to do this?

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 using the height and the width of the pike in identical baryon-baryon correlation functions.



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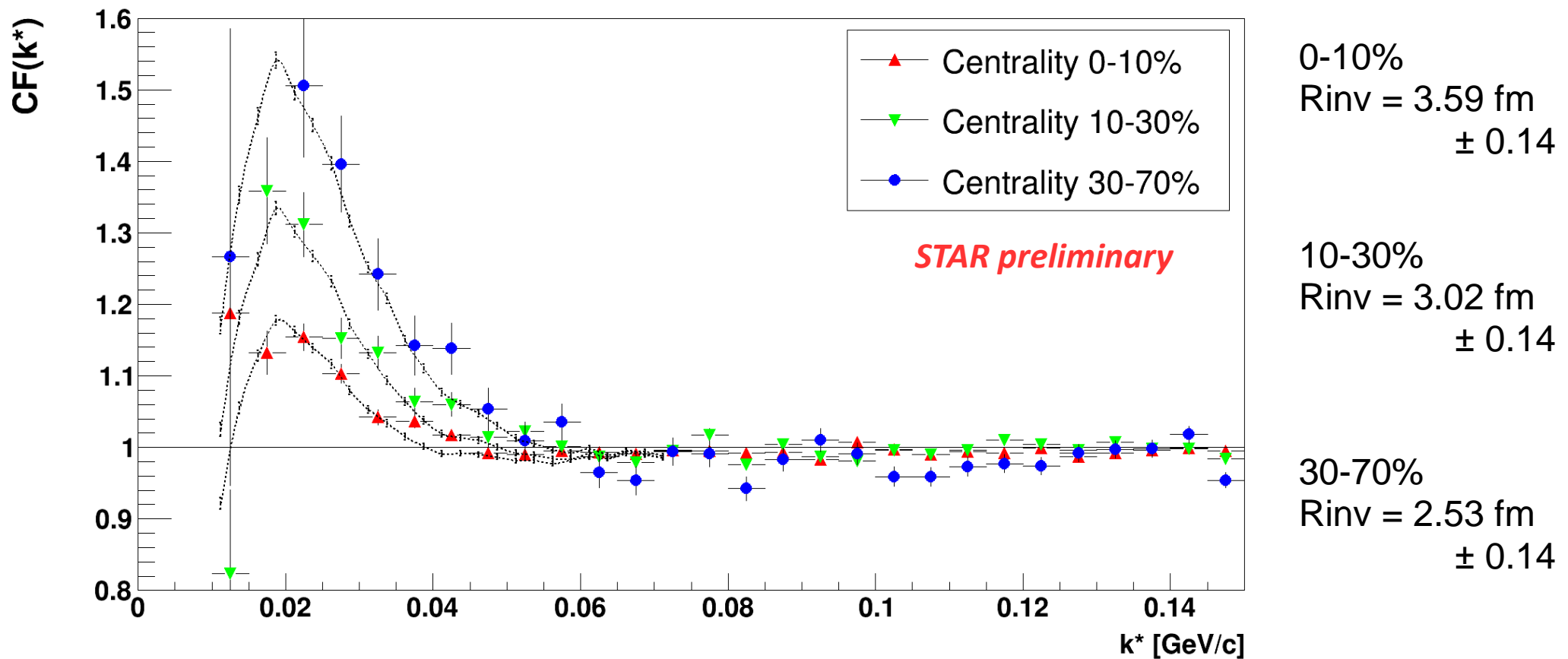
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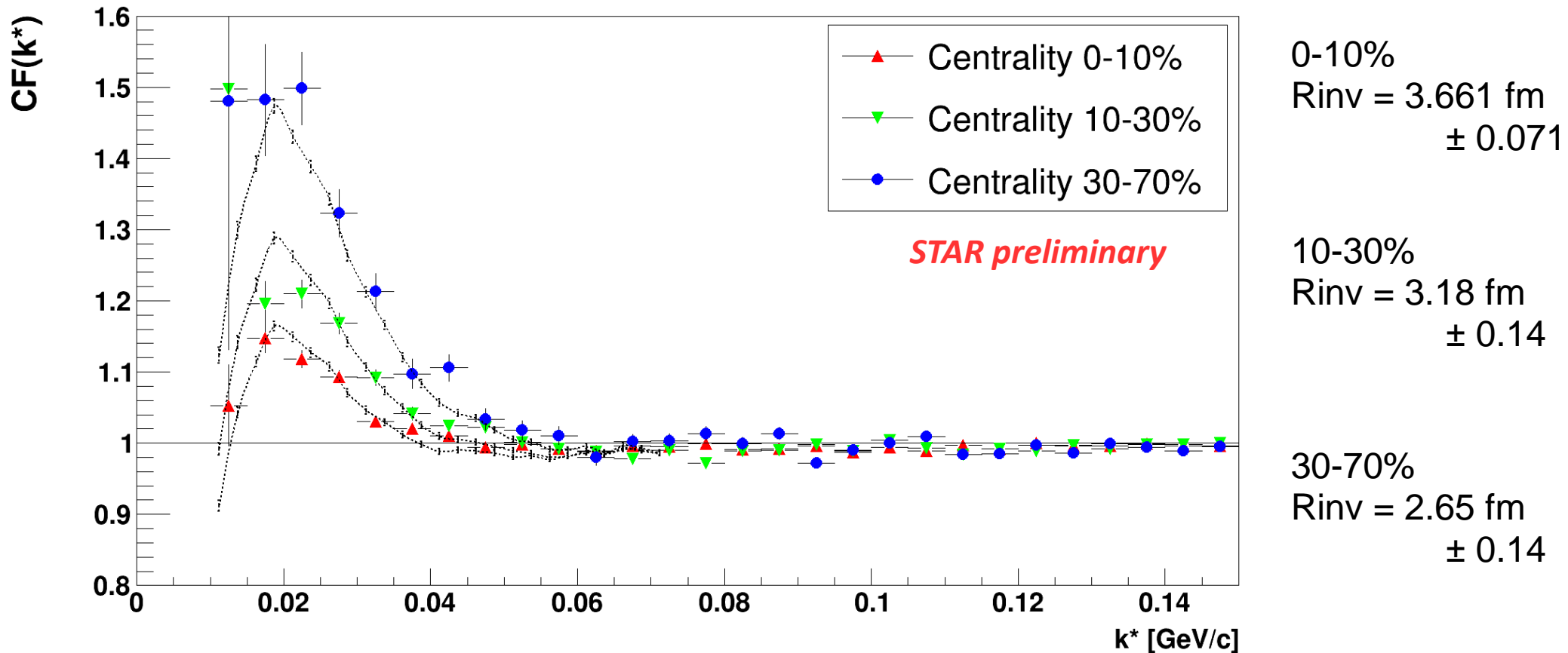
Analysis Au+Au collisions @ 11.5 GeV

Measured correlation functions are shown

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Proton-Proton 11.5GeV CFs



Analysis Au+Au collisions @ 11.5 GeV

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Proton-Antiproton 11.5GeV CFs

