

FEMTOSCOPY WITH LEVY SOURCES IN AU+AU COLLISIONS

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FEMTOSCOPY IN HIGH ENERGY PHYSICS

- R. Hanbury Brown, R. Q. Twiss - observing Sirius with radio telescopes

- Intensity correlations vs detector distance \Rightarrow source size
- Measure the sizes of apparently point-like sources!

- Goldhaber et al: applicable in high energy physics

- Understanding: Glauber, Fano, Baym, ...

Phys. Rev. Lett. 10, 84; Rev. Mod. Phys. 78 1267, ...

- Momentum correlation $C(q)$ related to source $S(r)$

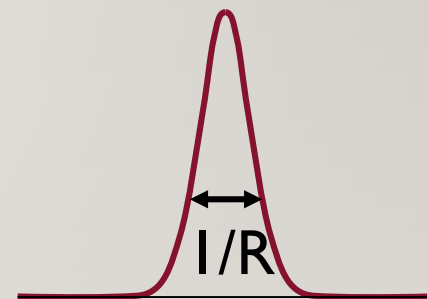
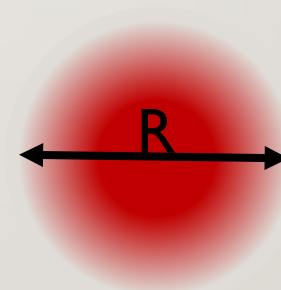
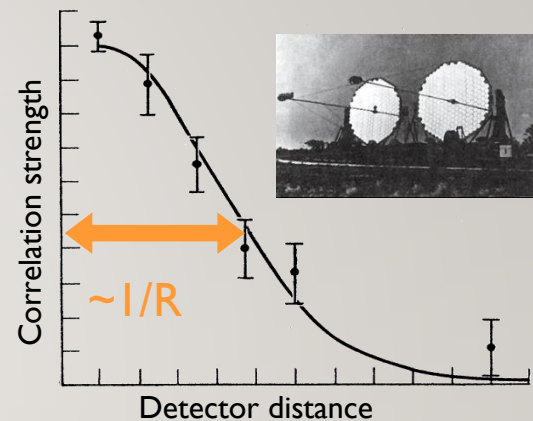
$$C(q) \cong 1 + \left| \int S(r) e^{iqr} dr \right|^2$$

(under some assumptions)

or the distance distribution $D(r)$

$$C(q) \cong 1 + \int D(r) e^{iqr} dr$$

- Neglected: pair reco., final state int., N-particle correlations, coherence, ...



source function $S(r)$ correlation funct. $C(q)$

- Measure $C(q)$: map out source space-time geometry on femtometer scale!



SOURCE OR PAIR DISTRIBUTION?

- Under some circumstances (thermal emission, no interactions, ...):

$$C_2(q, K) = \int S\left(r_1, K + \frac{q}{2}\right) S\left(r_2, K - \frac{q}{2}\right) |\Psi_2(r_1, r_2)|^2 dr_1 dr_2$$
$$\cong 1 + \left| \int S(r, K) e^{iqr} dr \right|^2$$

- Let us introduce the spatial pair distribution:

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

- Then the Bose-Einstein correlation function becomes:

$$C_2(q, K) \cong \int D(r, K) |\Psi_2(r)|^2 dr = 1 + \int D(r, K) e^{iqr} dr$$

- **Bose-Einstein correlations measure spatial pair distributions!**

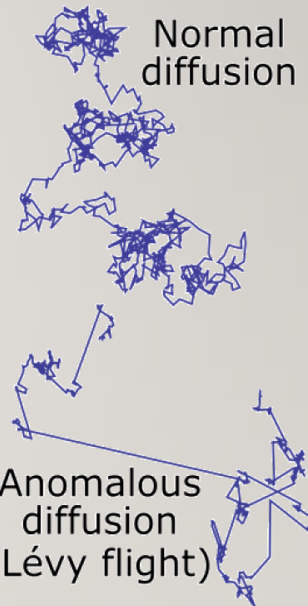
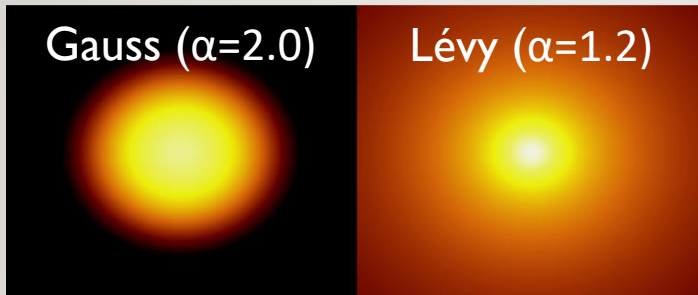


LÉVY DISTRIBUTIONS IN HEAVY ION PHYSICS

- Measurements suggest phenomena beyond Gaussian distribution

- Lévy-stable distribution: $\mathcal{L}(\alpha, R; r) = (2\pi)^{-3} \int d^3q e^{iqr} e^{-\frac{1}{2}|qR|^\alpha}$

- From generalized central limit theorem, power-law tail $\sim r^{-(1+\alpha)}$
- Special cases: $\alpha = 2$ Gaussian, $\alpha = 1$ Cauchy



- Shape of the correlation functions with Levy source:

- $C_2(q) = 1 + \lambda \cdot e^{-|qR|^\alpha}$; $\alpha = 2$: Gaussian; $\alpha = 1$: exponential
Csörgő, Hegyi, Zajc, Eur.Phys.J. C36 (2004) 67-78

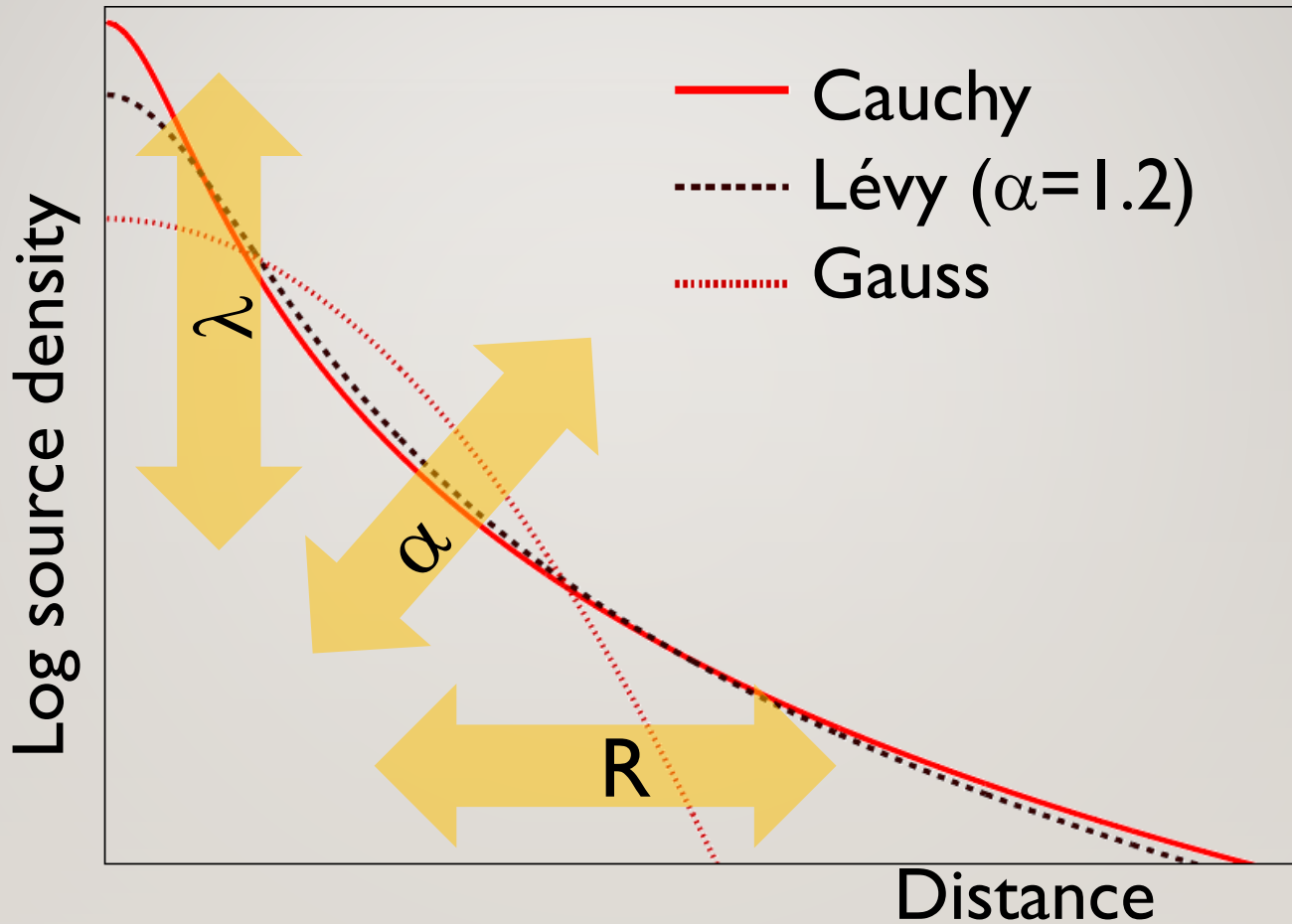
- Reasons for Levy source:

- Critical phenomena; QCD jets; Anomalous diffusion; what else?
Csörgő, Hegyi, Novák, Zajc, AIP Conf.Proc. 828 (2006) no.1, 525-532;
Csörgő, Hegyi, Novák, Zajc, Acta Phys.Polon. B36 (2005) 329-337
Csanád, Csörgő, Nagy, Braz.J.Phys. 37 (2007) 1002; Metzler, Klafter, Physics Reports 339 (2000) 1-77



7 /35 LÉVY VERSUS GAUSS VERSUS EXPONENTIAL

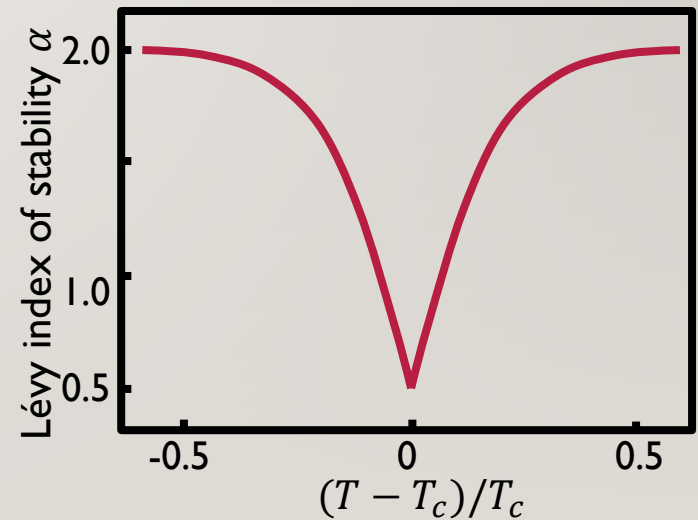
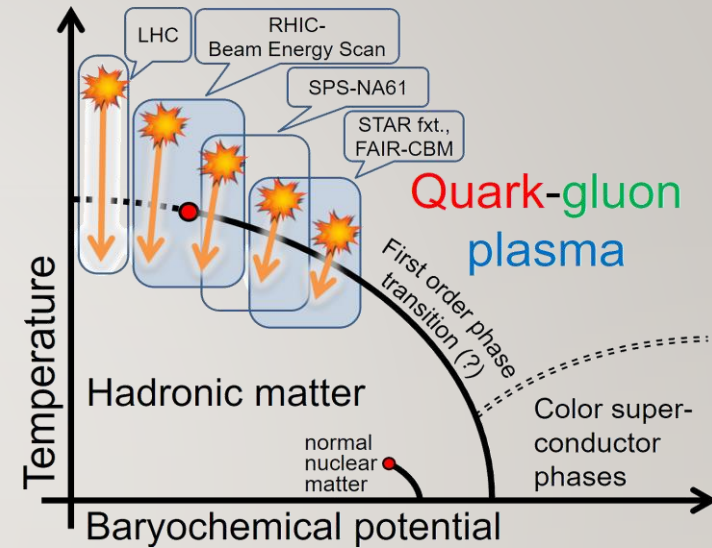
- No tail if $\alpha = 2$, power law if $\alpha < 2$; correlation between α and R, λ





LÉVY INDEX AS A CRITICAL EXPONENT?

- Critical spatial correlation: $\sim r^{-(d-2+\eta)}$;
Lévy source: $\sim r^{-(1+\alpha)}$; $\alpha \Leftrightarrow \eta?$
Csörgő, Hegyi, Zajc, Eur.Phys.J. C36 (2004) 67,
- QCD universality class \leftrightarrow 3D Ising
Halasz et al., Phys.Rev.D58 (1998) 096007
Stephanov et al., Phys.Rev.Lett.81 (1998) 4816
- At the critical point:
 - Random field 3D Ising: $\eta = 0.50 \pm 0.05$
Rieger, Phys.Rev.B52 (1995) 6659
 - 3D Ising: $\eta = 0.03631(3)$
El-Showk et al., J.Stat.Phys. 157 (4-5): 869
- Motivation for precise Lévy HBT!
- Change in $\alpha_{\text{Lévy}}$ proximity of CEP?
- Finite size/time & non-equilibrium effects
→ what does power law mean?



9/35 INTERACTIONS: THE COULOMB-EFFECT

- Plane-wave result, based on $|\Psi_2^{(0)}(r)|^2 = 1 + e^{iqr}$:

$$C_2(q, K) \cong \int D(r, K) |\Psi_2^{(0)}(r)|^2 dr = 1 + \int D(r, K) e^{iqr} dr$$

- If there is interaction:

$$\Psi_2^{(0)}(r) \rightarrow \Psi_2^{(int)}(r_1, r_2)$$

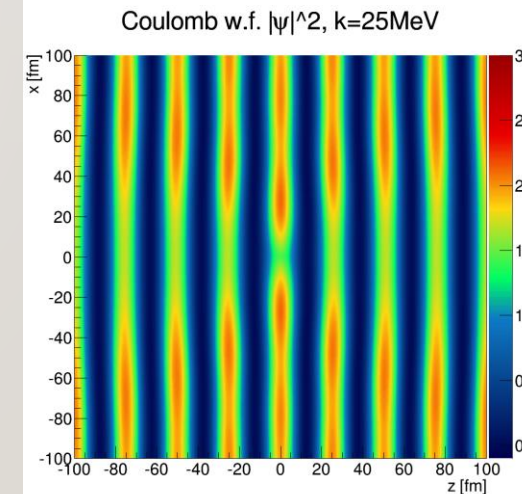
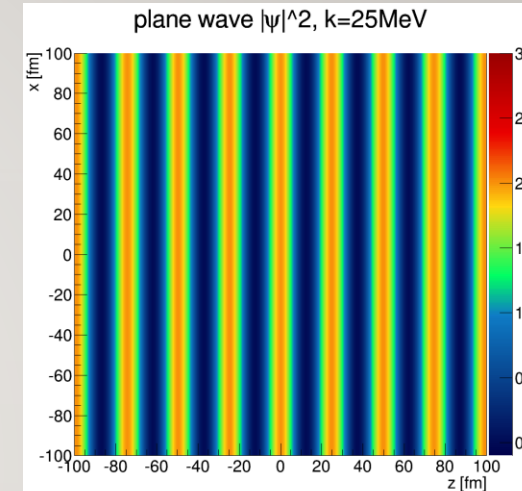
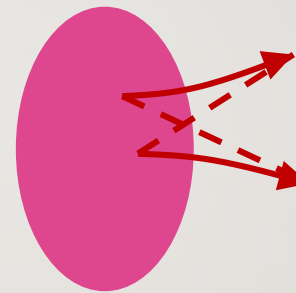
- For Coulomb:

$$|\Psi_2^{(C)}(r)|^2 = \frac{\pi\eta}{e^{2\pi\eta-1}} \cdot (\text{complicated hypergeometric expression})$$

- Direct fit with this, or the usual iterative Coulomb-correction:

$$C_{\text{Bose-Einstein}}(q)K(q), \text{ where } K(q) = \frac{\int D(r, K) |\Psi_2^{(C)}(r)|^2 dr}{\int D(r, K) |\Psi_2^{(0)}(r)|^2 dr}$$

- Complication: need for integrating power-law tails
- In this analysis: assuming spherical source
- Parametrization possible, see e.g. arXiv:1910.02231 or 1905.09714



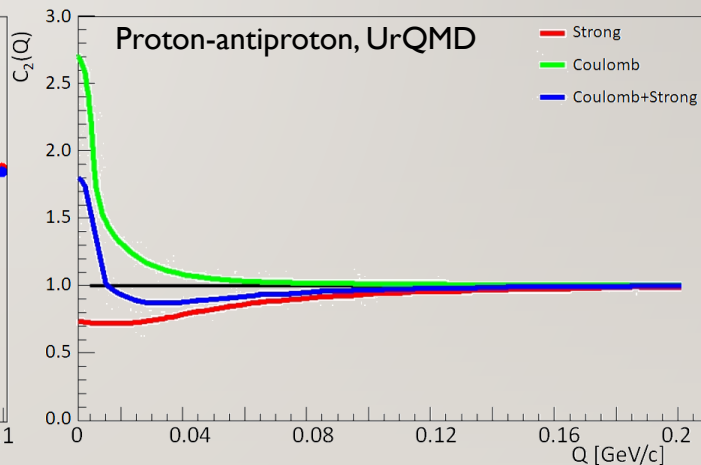
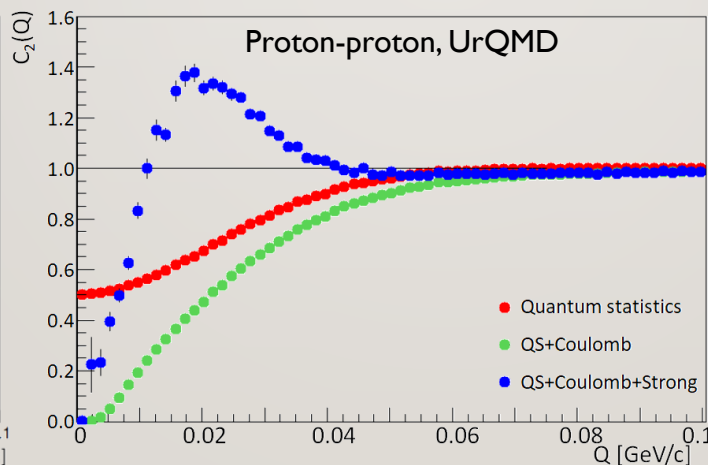
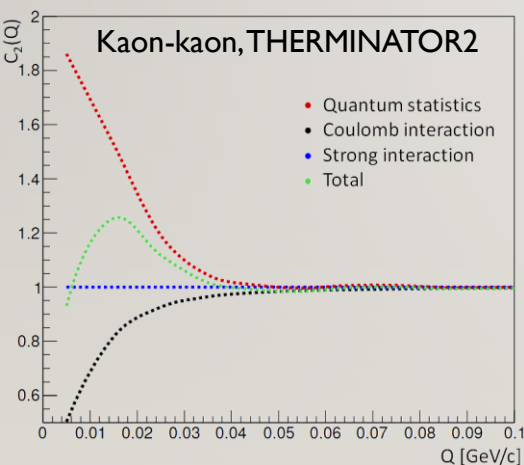


10/35 ROLE OF THE STRONG INTERACTION

- In case of other interactions or not identical bosons, the formula still works:

$$C_2(q, K) \cong \int D(r, K) |\Psi_2(r)|^2 dr$$

- Pair wave function determines $D \leftrightarrow C_2$ connection
- Mesons, baryons: strong interaction; fermions: anticorrelation
- Non-identical pairs: interaction modifies wave function



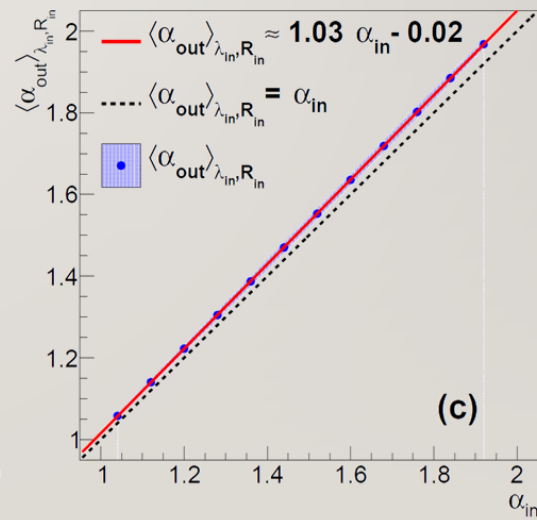
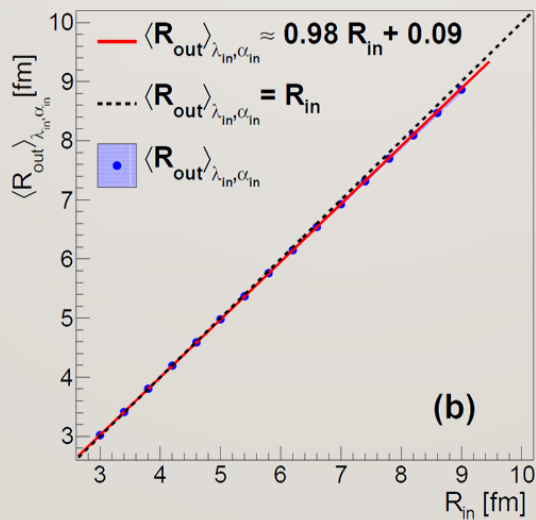
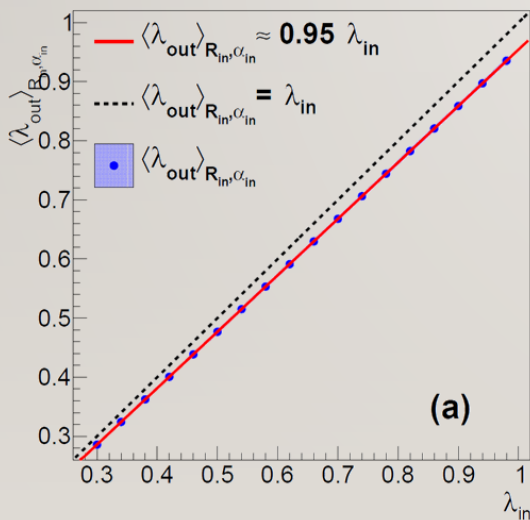
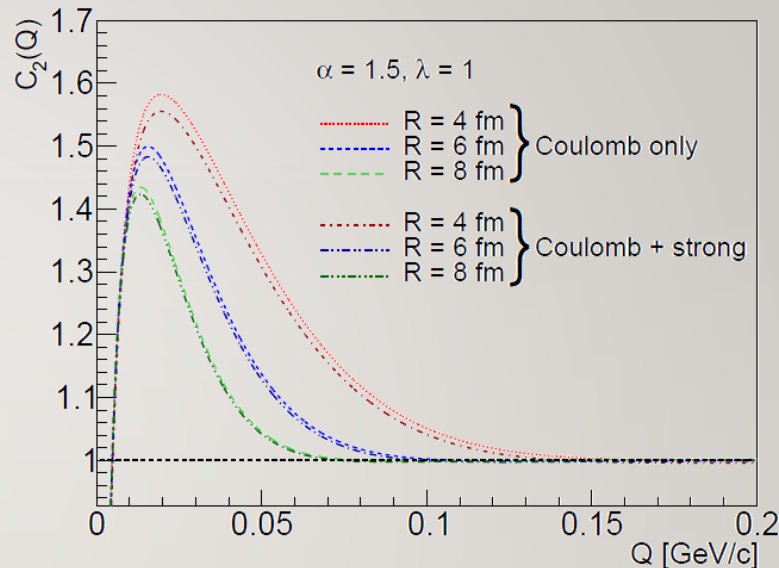
From e.g. H. Zbroszczyk's talk at Zimányi School 2019





STRONG INTERACTION FOR PION PAIRS

- Additional potential appearing
- Possible handling: strong phase shift, Modify s-wave component in wave func.
R. Lednicky, Phys. Part. Nucl.40, 307 (2009)
- Small difference in case of pions
- Few percent modification in λ, α
D. Kincses, M. I. Nagy, M. Cs. arXiv:1912.01381



LEVY HBT

SHAPE

SCALE+STRENGTH

OTHER EXP



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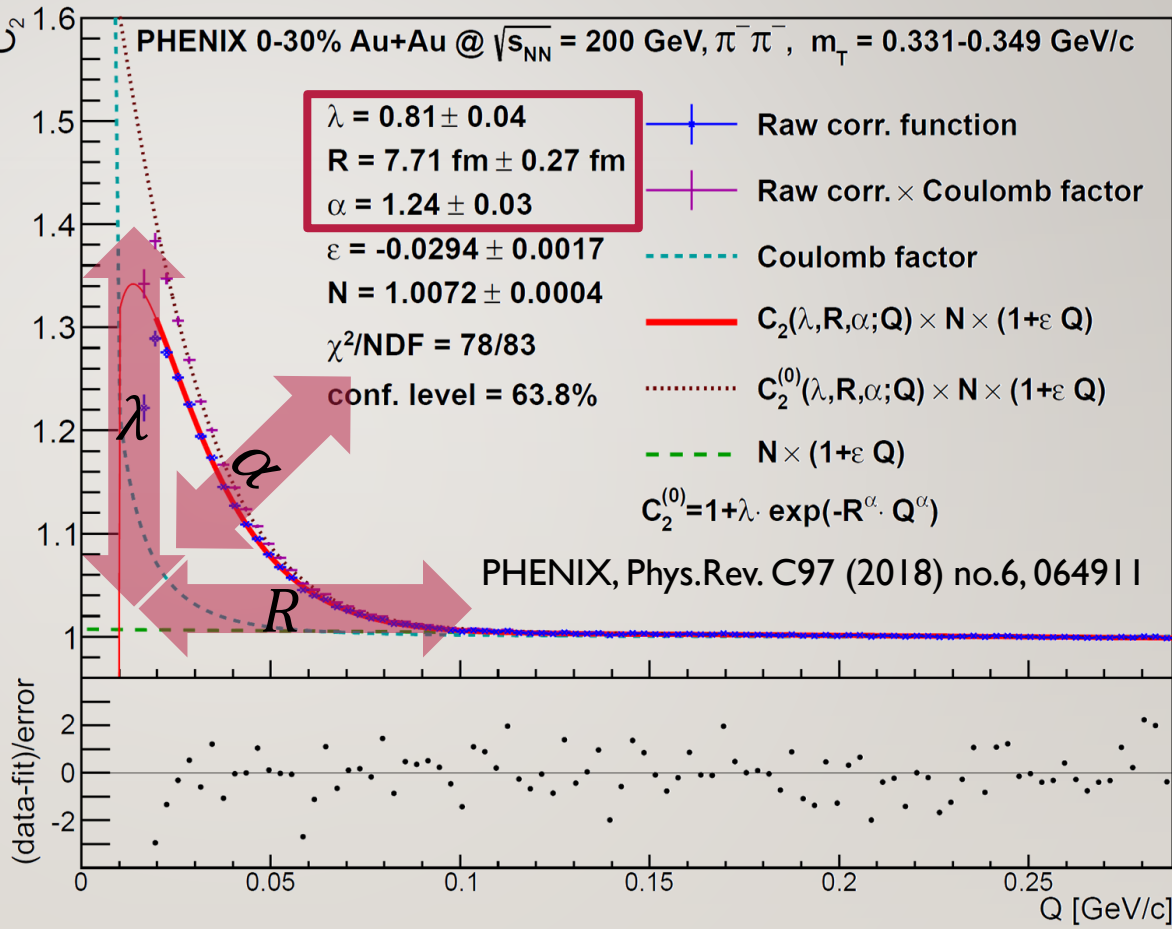
PHENIX LEVY HBT ANALYSES

- Dataset used for these analyses:
 - Events: Au+Au, $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 14.6-200$ GeV (~2 billion events at 200 GeV)
 - Particle identification:
 - time-of-flight data from PbSc East/West, TOF East/West, momentum, flight length
 - 2σ cuts on m^2 distribution
 - Single track cuts: 2σ matching cuts in TOF & PbSc for pions
 - Pair-cuts:
 - A random member of pairs assoc. with hits on same tower were removed
 - customary shaped cuts in $\Delta\phi - \Delta z$ plane for Drift Chamber, PbSc East/West, TOF East/West
- ID & 3D corr. func. as a function of Q_{LCMS} and \vec{q}_{LCMS} in various m_T bins
 - \vec{q}_{LCMS} is momentum difference longitudinal co-moving frame, $Q_{LCMS} = |\vec{q}_{LCMS}|$
 - Using Bertsch-Pratt frame: $\vec{q}_{LCMS} = (q_{out}, q_{side}, q_{long})_{LCMS}$
 - Levy fits for 31 m_T bins ($0.228 < m_T < 0.871$ GeV/c) with Coulomb effect



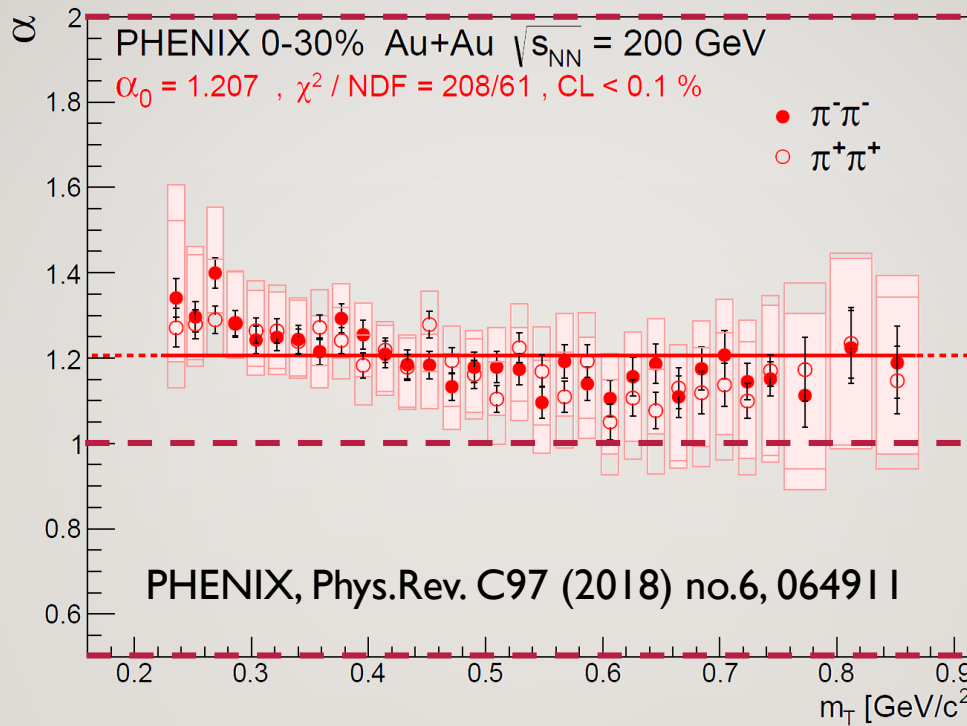
4/35 EXAMPLE $C_2(Q_{LCMS})$ CORRELATION FUNCTION

- Measured in 31 m_T bins
- Fitted with Coulomb-incorporated function
- Coulomb-factor displayed separately
- All fits converged, good confidence levels
- χ values scatter around 0 properly
- Physical parameters: R, λ, α measured versus pair m_T
- Recall α : Lévy index, 0.5 at CEP





15₃₅ LÉVY EXPONENT (SHAPE PARAMETER) α



$\alpha = 2.0$ (Gauss)

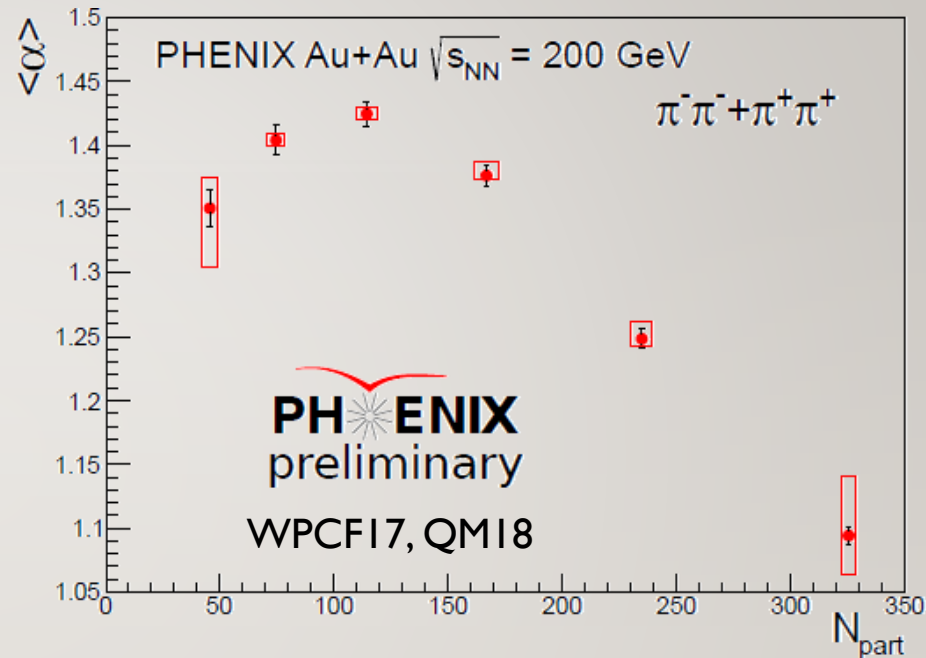
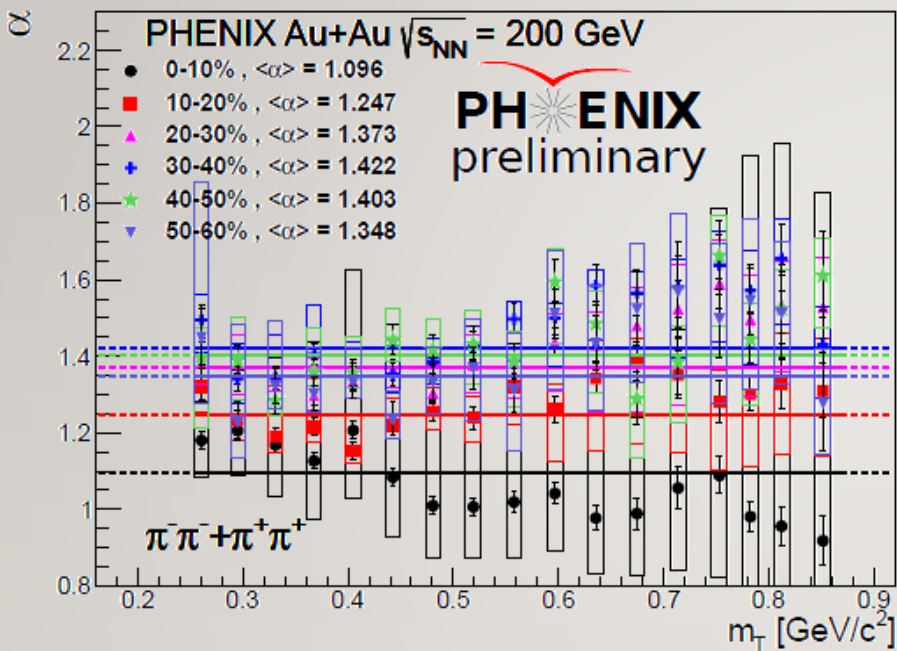
$\alpha = 1.0$ (Cauchy)

$\alpha = 0.5$ (rfd Ising CEP)

- Measured value far from Gaussian ($\alpha = 2$), inconsistent with expo. ($\alpha = 1$)
- Also far from the random field 3D Ising value at CEP ($\alpha = 0.5$)
- More or less constant (at least within systematic uncertainties)
- What do models and calculations say?



16/35 ANALYZING THE CENTRALITY DEPENDENCE

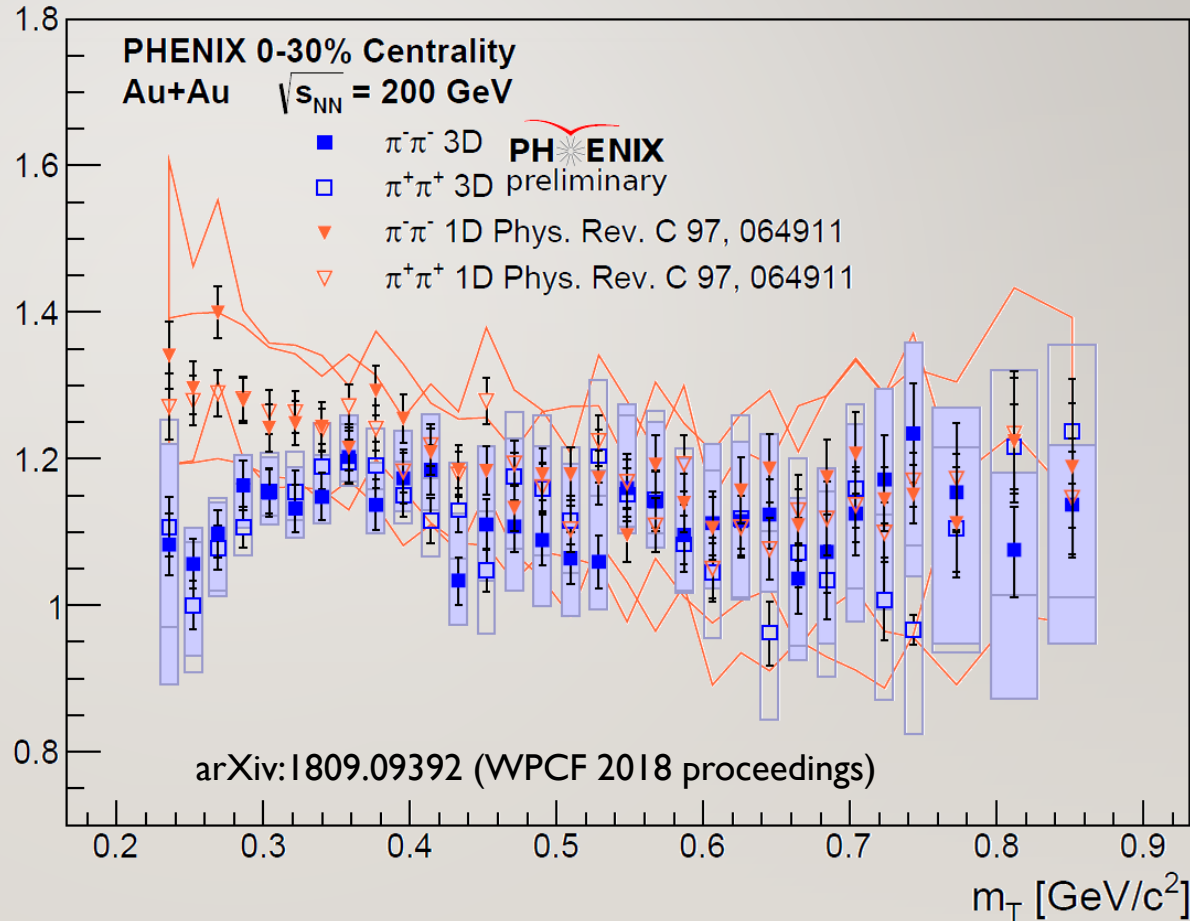


- Slightly non-monotonic behavior as a function of m_T
- Average $\langle\alpha\rangle$ non-monotonic behavior versus N_{part}
- No clear interpretation or understanding of this trend
- Important w.r.t. shape averaging interpretation of $\alpha \neq 2$



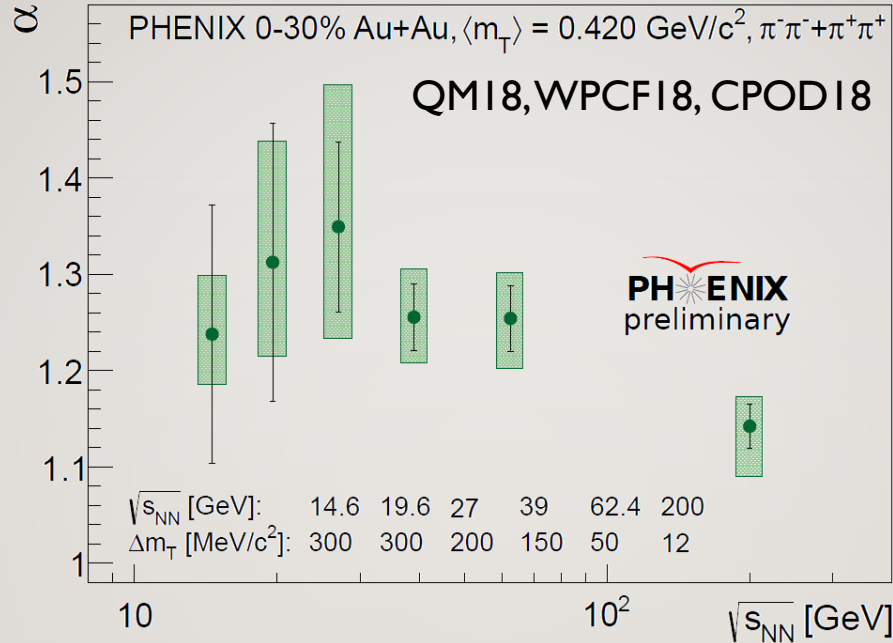
17 / 35 CROSS-CHECK WITH A 3D ANALYSIS

- Lévy exponent α in 3D analysis similar to 1D result
- On average still far from 2 \propto
- Observable differences at low m_T
- Maybe due to lack of spherical symmetry?
- Need to calculate Coulomb effect for non-spherical sources
- Working on final results...





COLLISION ENERGY DEPENDENCE



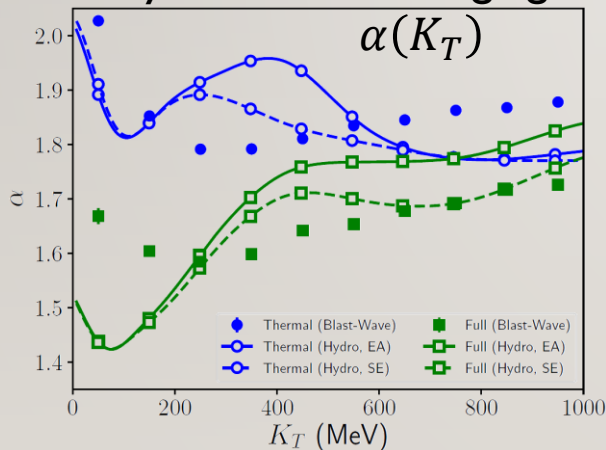
- Average $\langle \alpha \rangle$ not fully monotonic versus $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$
 - No clear interpretation or understanding of this trend
 - Important w.r.t. shape averaging interpretation of $\alpha \neq 2$
- Lévy exponent α still far from conjectured CEP limit of 0.5
 - Very much m_T bin width dependent, working on final results...



WHAT IS THE REASON FOR POWER-LAW TAILS?

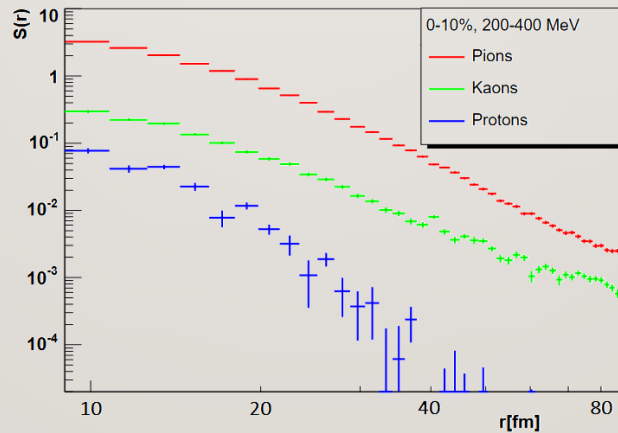
- Simple hydro/thermo picture: exponential cutoff from $\exp\left(-\frac{p^\mu u_\mu}{T}\right)$
- Non-Gaussianity from averaging over different shapes (centr., azimuth angle)
- Power-law tails from rescattering in hadronic phase?
- Power-law tails already present before hadronic phase?

Hydro, event averaging



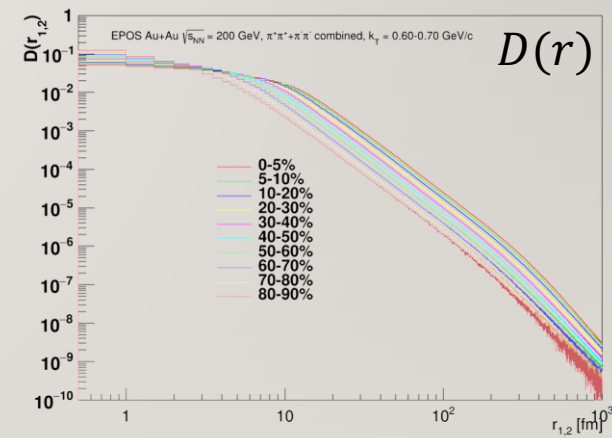
J. Cimerman, C. Plumberg, B. Tomášik
arXiv:1909.07998

HRC simulation, $S(r)$



MCs, T. Csörgő, M. Nagy, Braz.J.Phys. 37 (2007)

Preliminary EPOS result



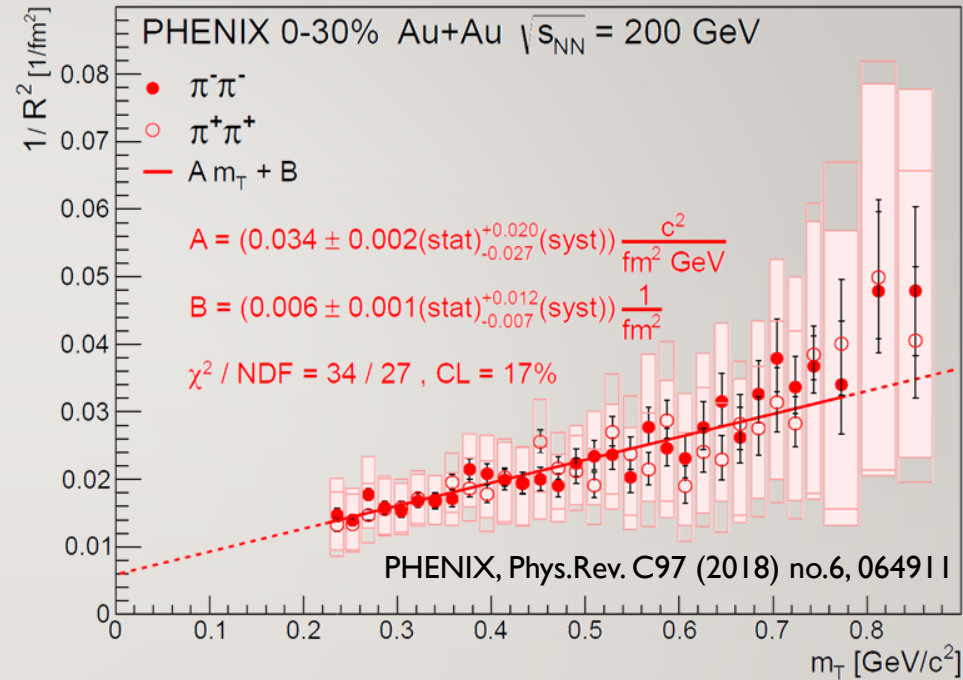
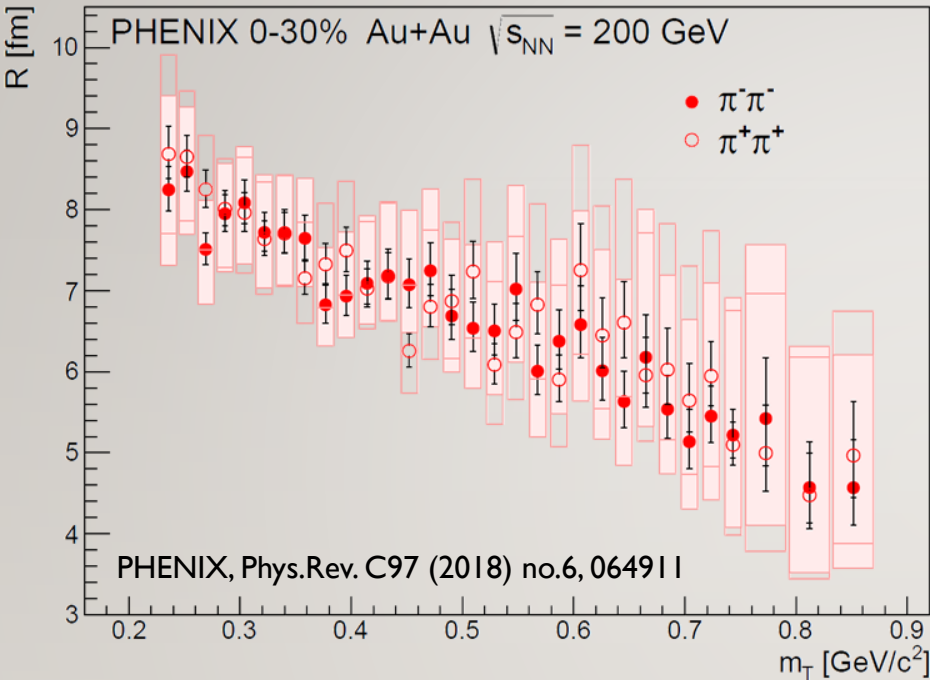
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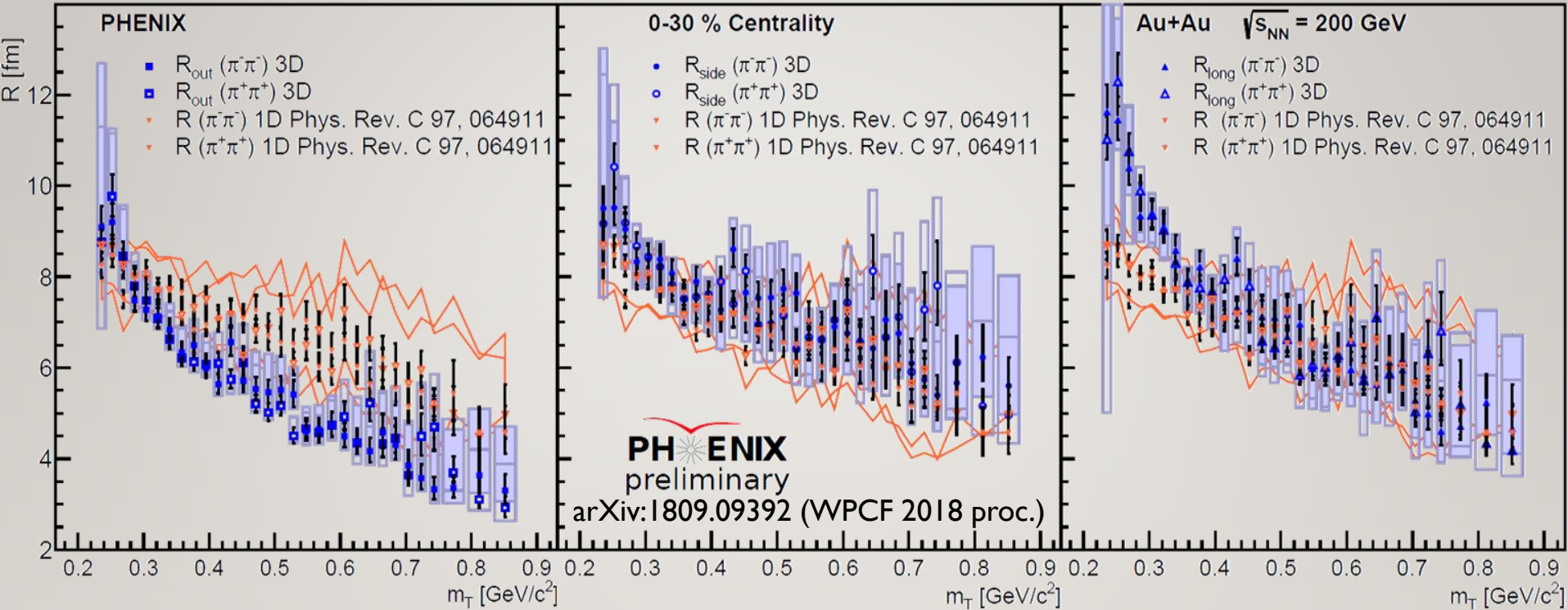
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21 /35 LÉVY SCALE PARAMETER R



- Similar decreasing trend as Gaussian HBT radii, but it is not an RMS!
- What do model calculations, simulations say about this?
- Hydro behavior (predicted for Gaussian case) not invalid
- The linear scaling of $1/R^2$, breaks for high m_T ?

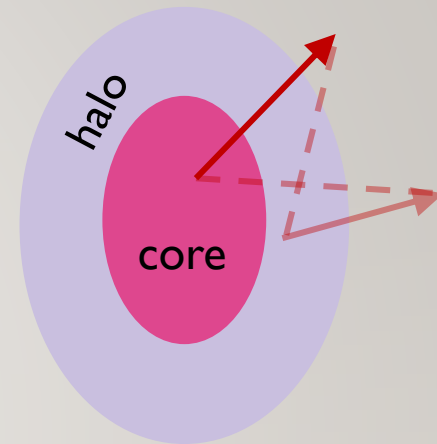
LÉVY SCALES IN 3D



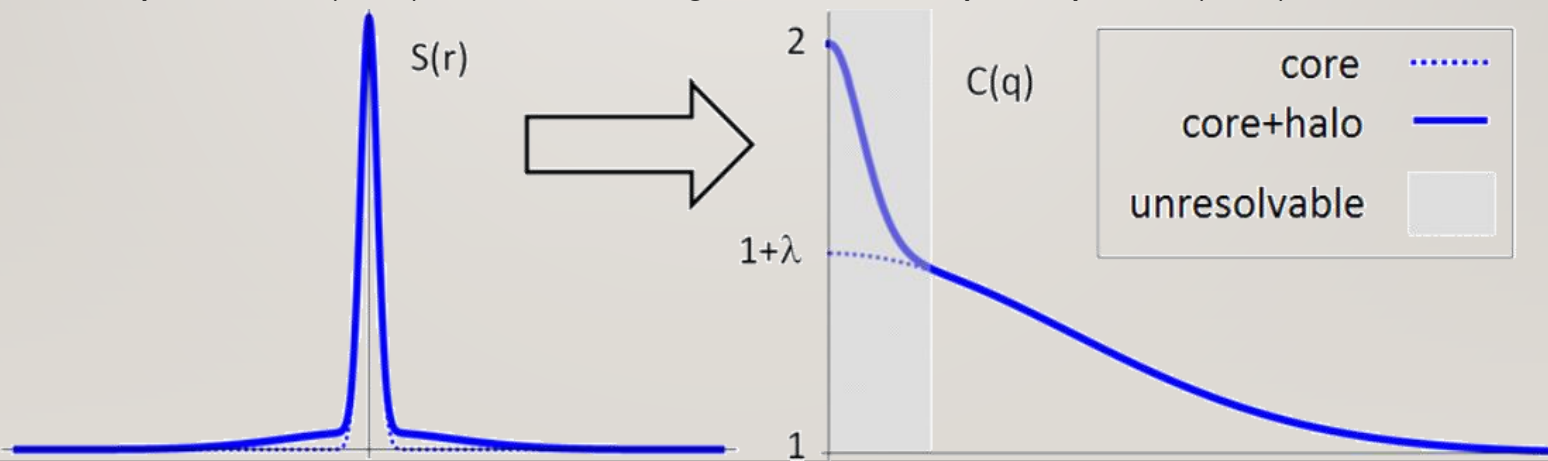
- Compatibility with 1D Lévy analysis
- Similar decreasing trend as Gaussian HBT radii, but it is not an RMS radius!
 - There is no 2nd moment (variance or root mean square) for Lévy distributions with $\alpha < 2$!
- Asymmetric source for small m_T , validity of Coulomb-approximation?

CORRELATION STRENGTH λ : CORE/HALO

- Two-component core+halo source
 - Core: hydrodynamically expanding, thermal medium
 - Halo: long lived resonances ($\gtrsim 10$ fm/c, $\omega, \eta, \eta', K_0^S, \dots$)
 - Unresolvable experimentally
 - Define $f_C = N_{\text{core}}/N_{\text{total}}$
- True $q \rightarrow 0$ limit: $C(0) = 2$
- Apparently $C(q \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow 1 + \lambda$
- $\lambda(m_T) = f_C^2(m_T)$



Bolz et al, Phys.Rev. D47 (1993) 3860-3870; Csörgő, Lörstad, Zimányi, Z.Phys. C71 (1996) 491-497





CORRELATION STRENGTH λ : IN-MEDIUM MASS?

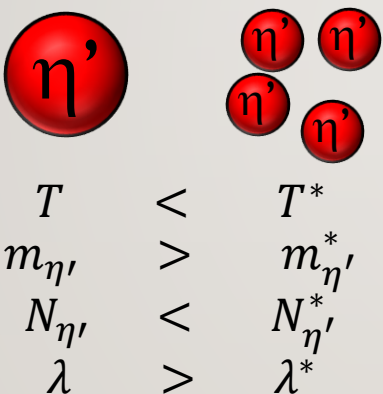
• Connection to chiral restoration

- Decreased η' mass \rightarrow η' enhancement \rightarrow halo enhancement
- Kinematics: $\eta' \rightarrow \pi\pi\pi\pi$ with low $m_T \rightarrow$ decreased $\lambda(m_T)$ at low m_T
- Dependence on in-medium η' mass?

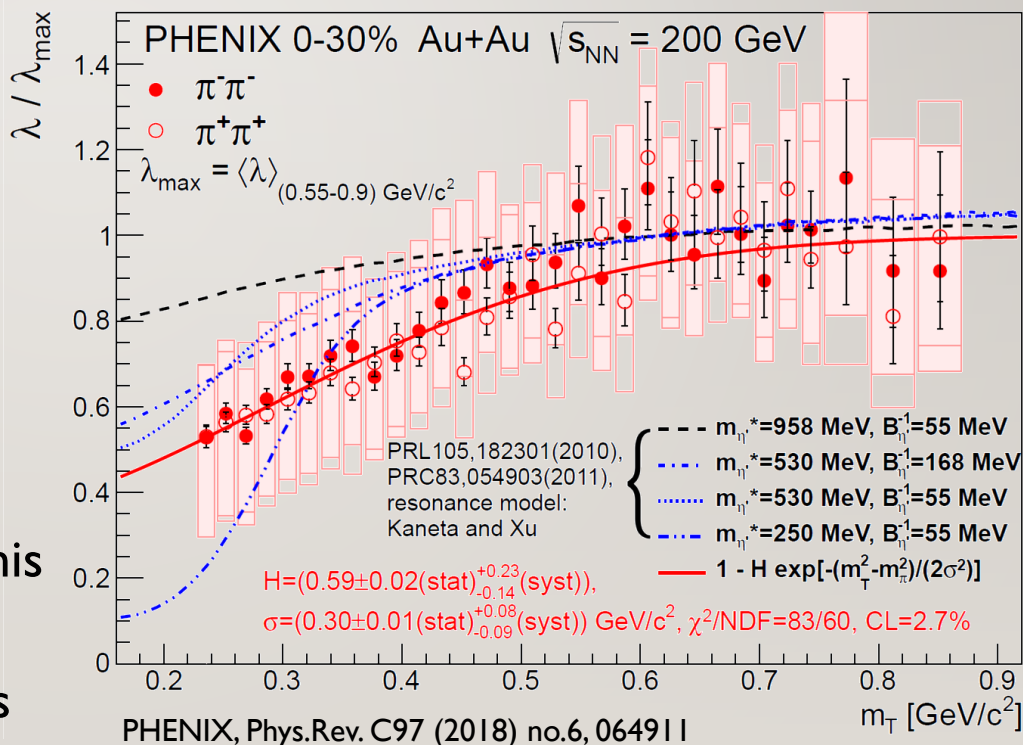
Kapusta, Kharzeev, McLerran, PRD53 (1996) 5028

Vance, Csörgő, Kharzeev, PRL 81 (1998) 2205

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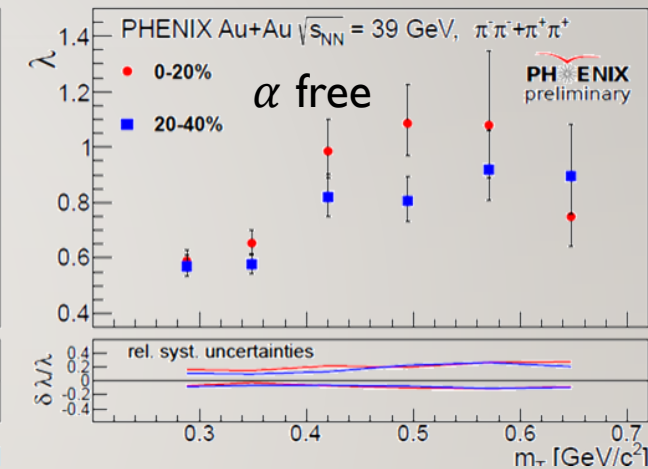
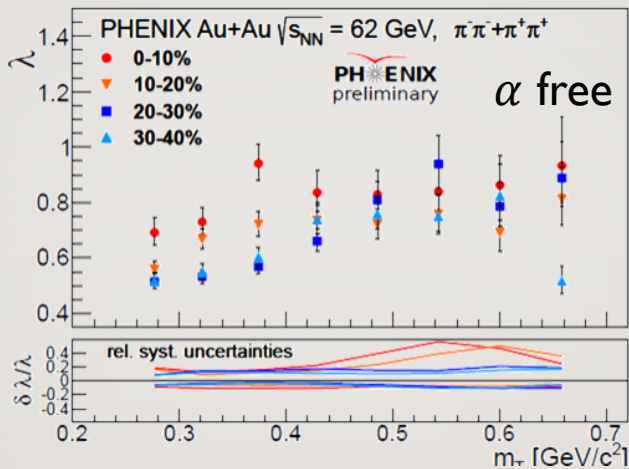
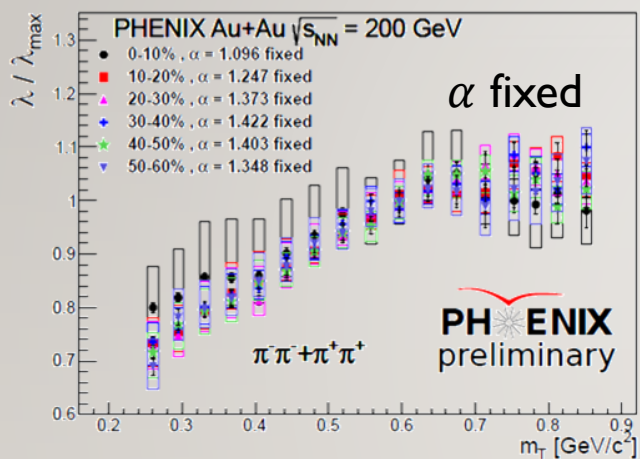
- Results not incompatible with this
- 3D results similar to 1D
- Need direct check with photons





HOLE IN $\lambda(m_T)$: ALL INVESTIGATED ENERGIES

- Hole apparent for $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \geq 39$ GeV, all centralities



- Due to reduced η' mass?
- Sign for chiral restoration?
- To be cross-checked with photons, dileptons, etc.
- Statistics prevents more conclusive statement



A CROSS-CHECK: THREE-PION LÉVY HBT

- Recall: two particle correlation strength $\lambda = f_C^2$ where $f_C = N_{\text{core}}/N_{\text{total}}$
- Generalization for higher order correlations: $\lambda_2 = f_C^2, \lambda_3 = 2f_C^3 + 3f_C^2$
- If there is partial coherence (p_C):

$$\lambda_2 = f_C^2 [(1 - p_C)^2 + 2p_C(1 - p_C)]$$

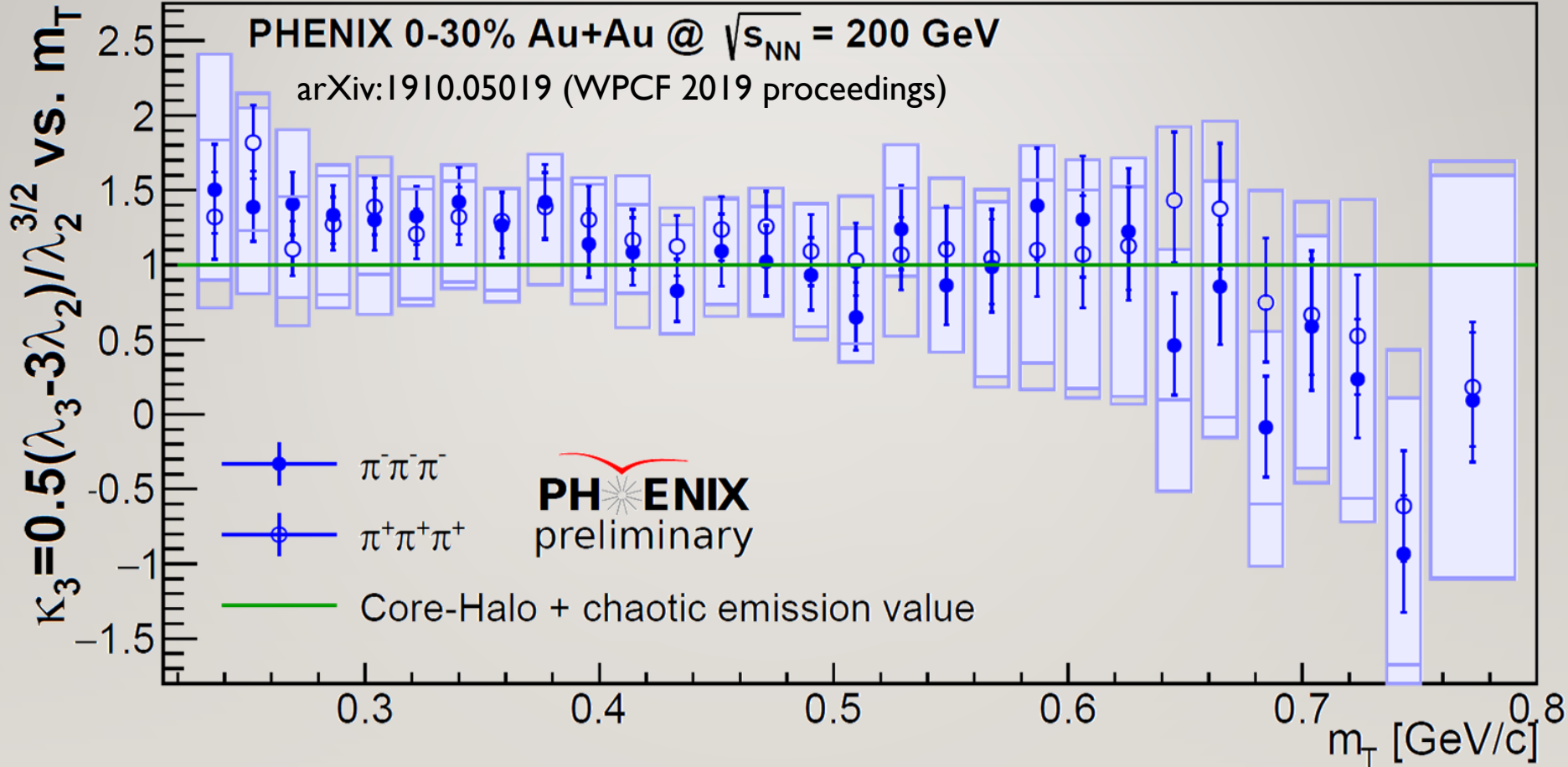
$$\lambda_3 = 2f_C^3 [(1 - p_C)^3 + 3p_C(1 - p_C)^2] + 3f_C^2 [(1 - p_C)^2 + 2p_C(1 - p_C)]$$

- Introduce core-halo independent parameter $\kappa_3 = \frac{\lambda_3 - 3\lambda_2}{2\sqrt{\lambda_2}^3}$
 - does not depend on f_C
 - $\kappa_3 = 1$ if no coherence
- Finite meson sizes?
Gavrilik, SIGMA 2 (2006) 074 [hep-ph/0512357]
- Phase shift (a la Aharonov-Bohm) in hadron gas?
 - Random fields create random phase shift, on average distorts Bose-Einstein correlations



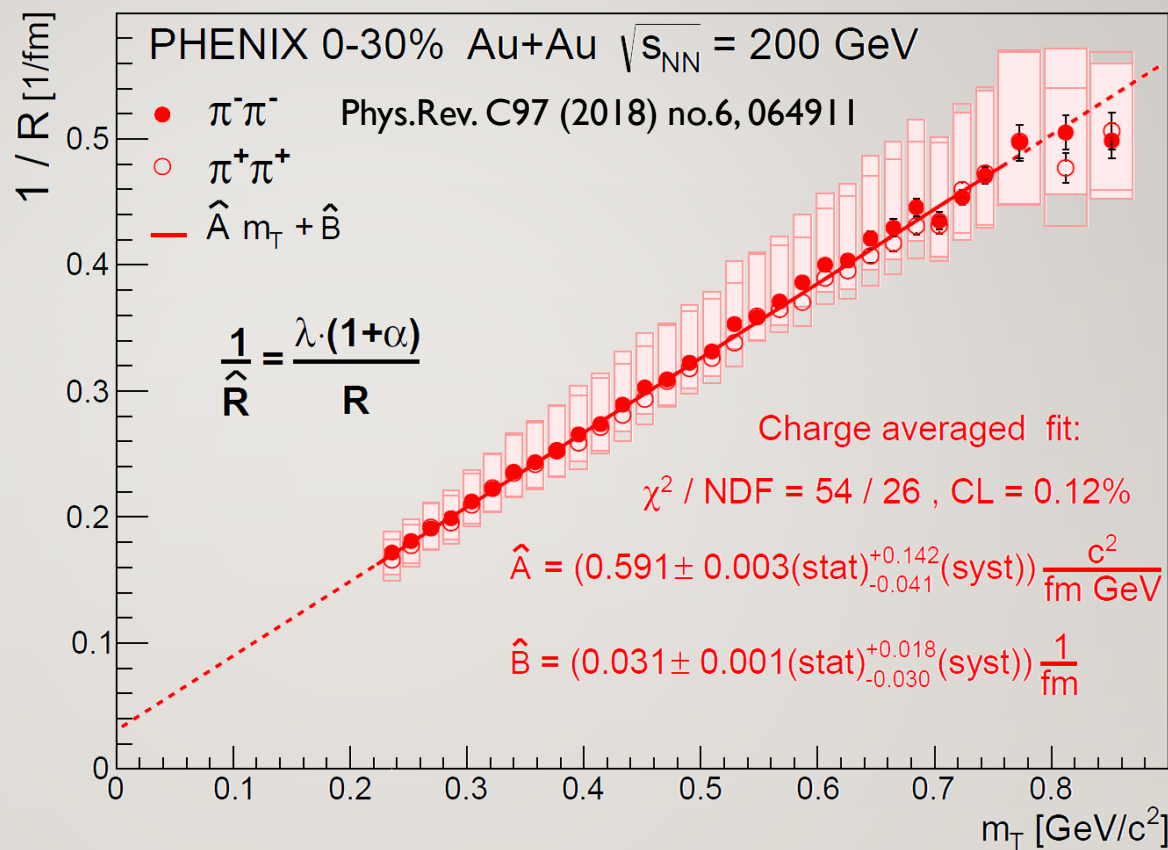
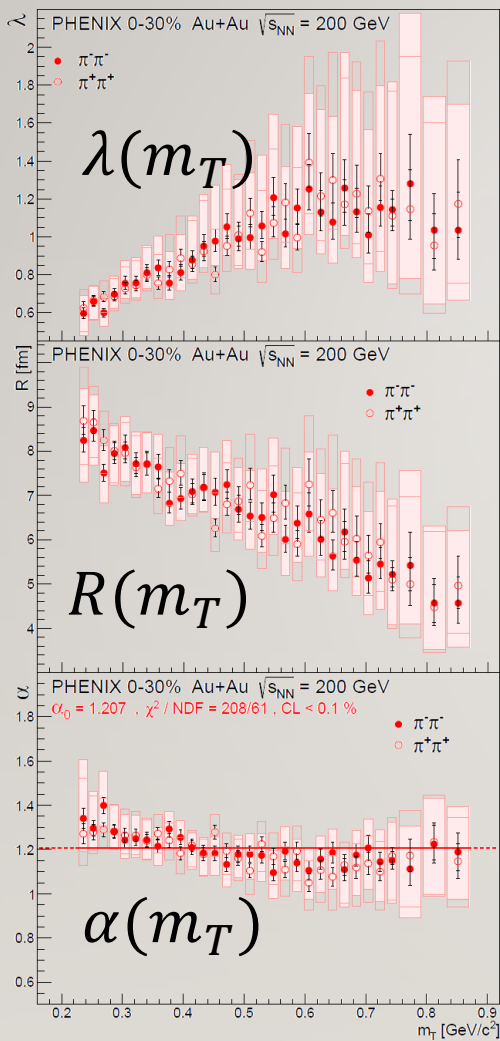
TEST OF CORE-HALO MODEL / COHERENCE

- Recall: $\kappa_3 = 1$ in pure core-halo model, $\kappa_3 \neq 1$ if coherence





28/35 A SCALING PARAMETER: \hat{R}



- Empirically found scaling parameter
- Linear in m_T
- Physical interpretation: open question



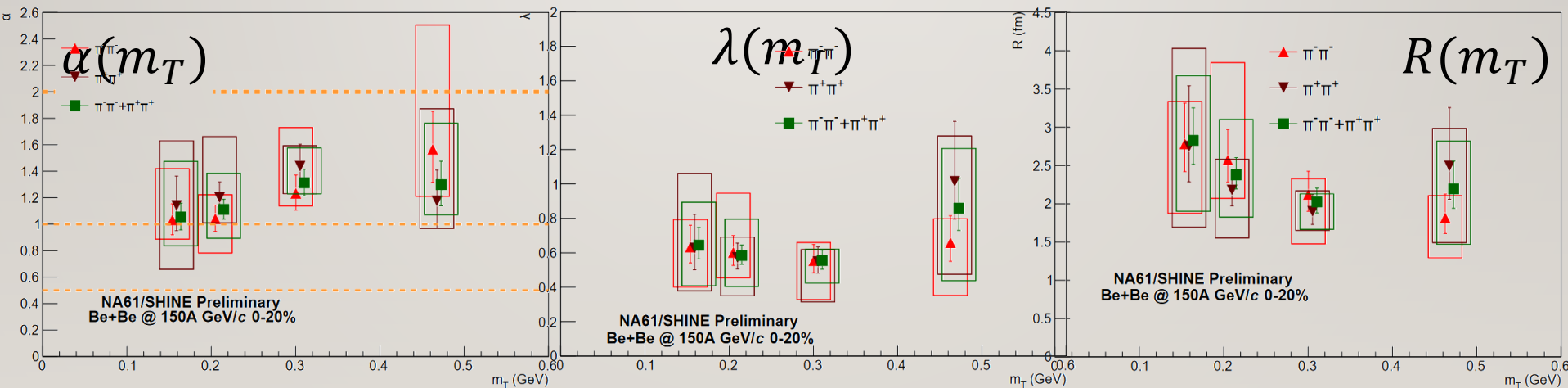
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RESULTS AT NA61/SHINE

- Be+Be collisions at 150 AGeV beam momentum (17.3 AGeV in c.m.s.)
- Lévy fits describe correlation functions
 - Shape parameter α : far from Gaussian and CEP conjecture
 - Strength parameter λ : nearly constant as previous SPS results, unlike RHIC
 - Spatial scale R : weakly decreasing trend \rightarrow hydro
- Plans: particle identification, Ar+Sc analysis, different energies



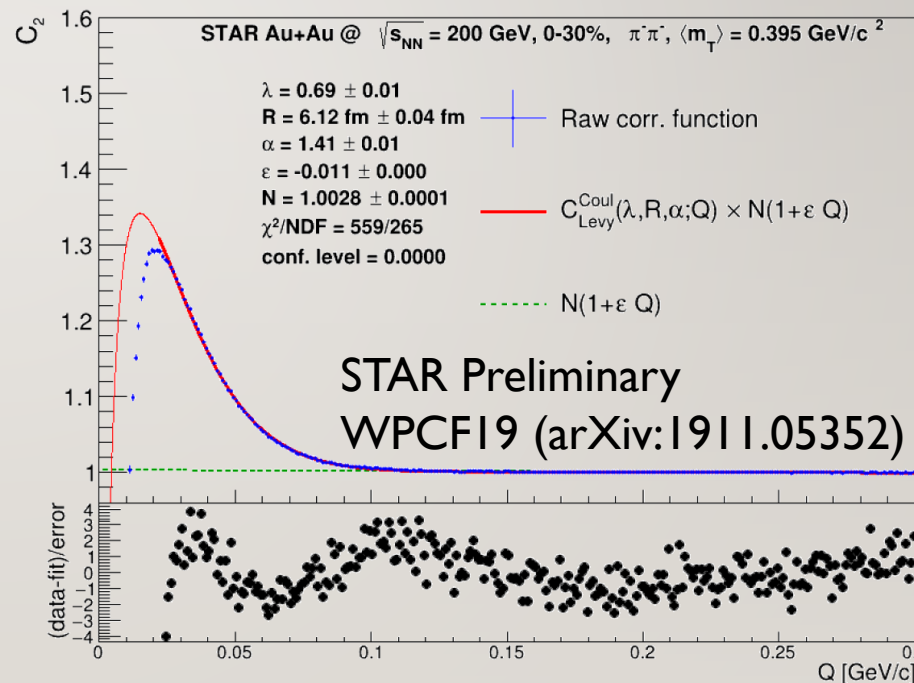
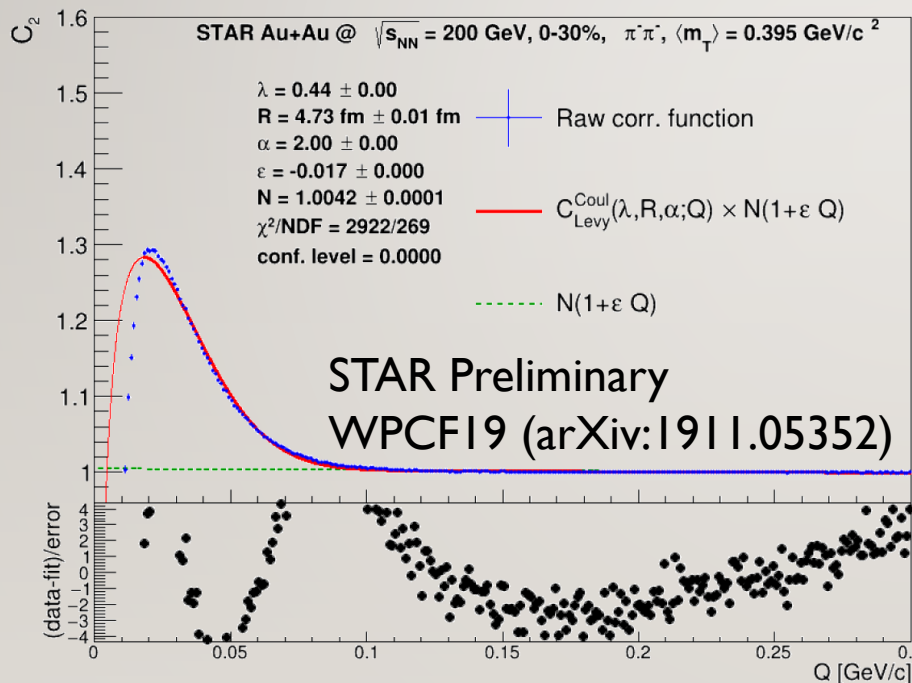
B. Porfy [NA61] WPCF19 & PoS CORFU2018 (2019) 184





31 /35 RESULTS AT STAR

- Gaussian fit: unacceptable description
- Levy fit somewhat better, but still additional effects present
- Low Q behavior not captured by any of the two





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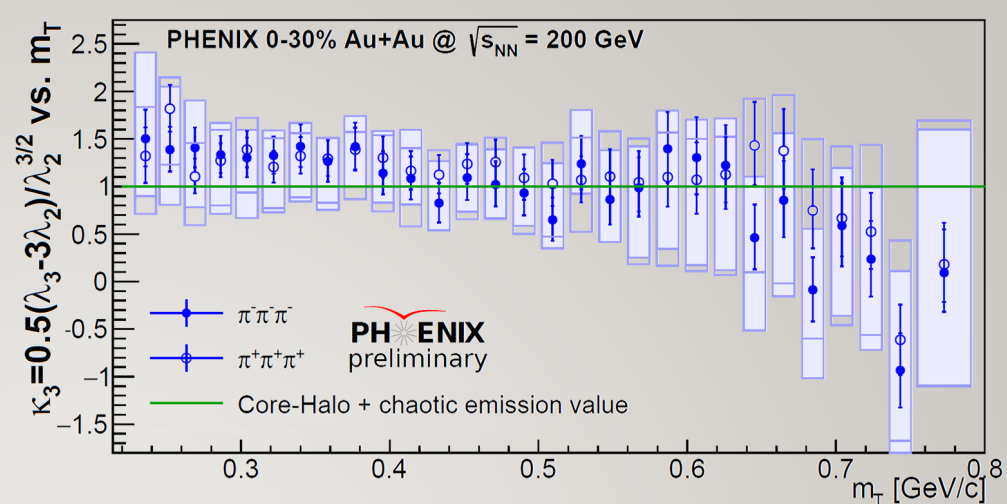
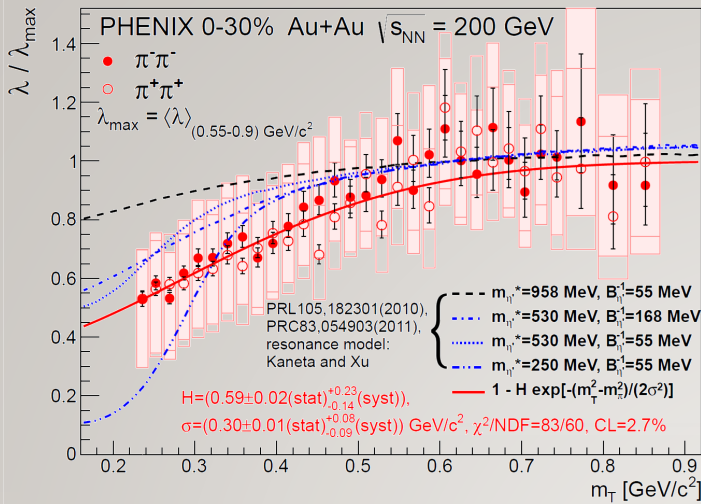
LÉVY HBT STATUS AT PHENIX

- Bose-Einstein correlations measured from 10 GeV to 200 GeV
- Levy fits yield statistically acceptable description
- Levy parameters R, λ, α measured in various collisions
 - Stability parameter $\alpha < 2 \leftrightarrow$ anom. diffusion, critical point, QCD jets?
 - Linear scaling of $1/R^2$ vs $m_T \leftrightarrow$ hydro (but non-Gaussian source!)
 - Low- m_T decrease in $\lambda(m_T) \leftrightarrow$ core-halo model, in-medium η' mass?
- Three-particle analysis: chaotic or coherent emission?



OPEN QUESTIONS

- Collision energy and centrality dependence of Lévy parameters?
 - Non-monotonicity in $\alpha(\sqrt{s_{NN}})$ or $\alpha(\text{centrality})$?
 - Hole in $\lambda(m_T)$ at low $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$? Really due to η' ?
- Reason for the appearance of Lévy distributions for pions?
 - What is the Lévy exponent for kaons?
 - Kaons have smaller total cross-section thus larger mean free path, heavier tail?
 - Does m_T scaling hold for Lévy scale R ?
- Correlation strength versus core-halo picture: are there other effects?
 - Three-particle correlations may show if coherence or other effects play a role
 - Other effects may also play a role (finite meson sizes, random field phase shift, etc)



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THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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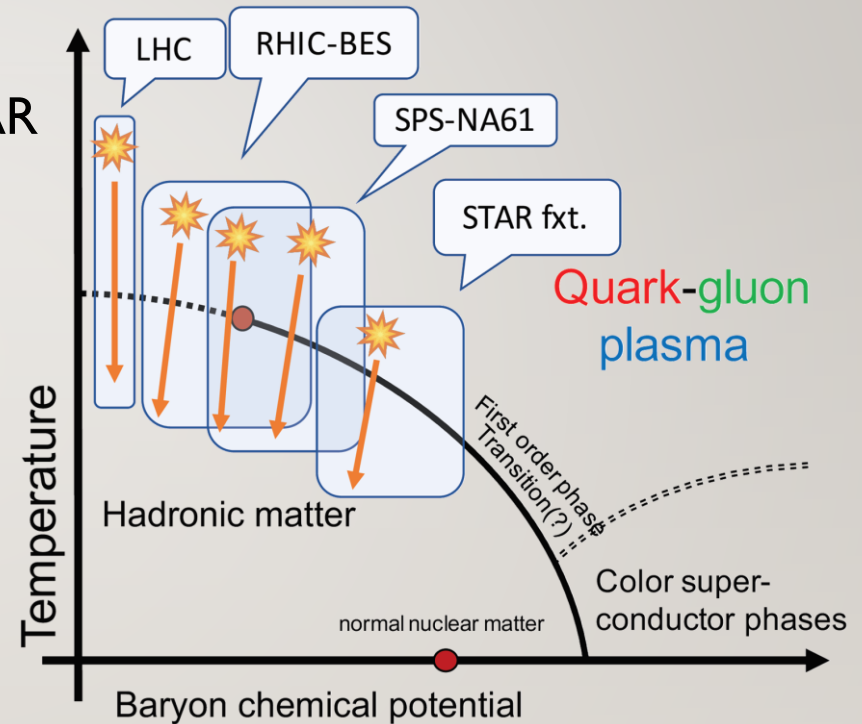
József Zimányi (1931 - 2006)

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36 BACKUP

HBT MEASUREMENTS AND THE PHASE DIAGRAM

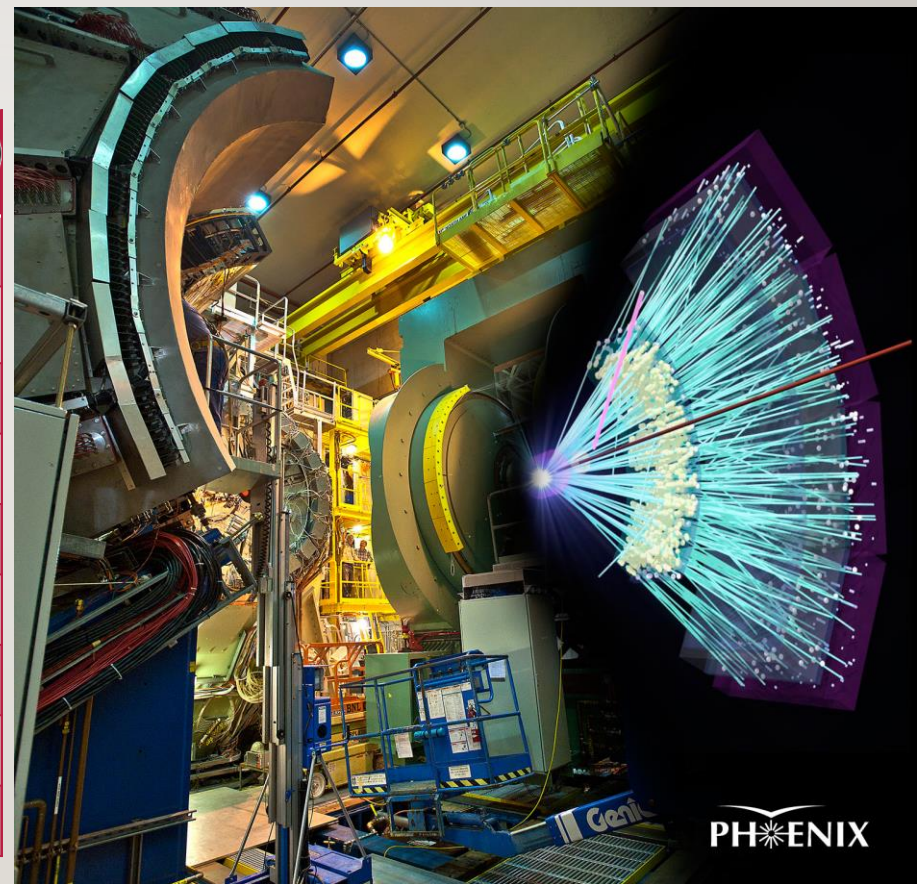
- LHC: measurement at CMS
 - 2-5 ATeV energy, p+p & Pb+Pb
- RHIC: measurement at PHENIX+STAR
 - 10-200 AGeV energy, Au+Au
- SPS: measurement at NA61
 - 17 AGeV energy, Be+Be
- Phase diagram can be investigated



38₃₅ THE PHENIX EXPERIMENT AND THE BES

- Collision energies: 7.7 to 200 GeV (20-400 MeV in μ_B , 140-170 MeV in T)
- This talk: 200 GeV Au+Au

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A REALISTIC SOURCE FUNCTION

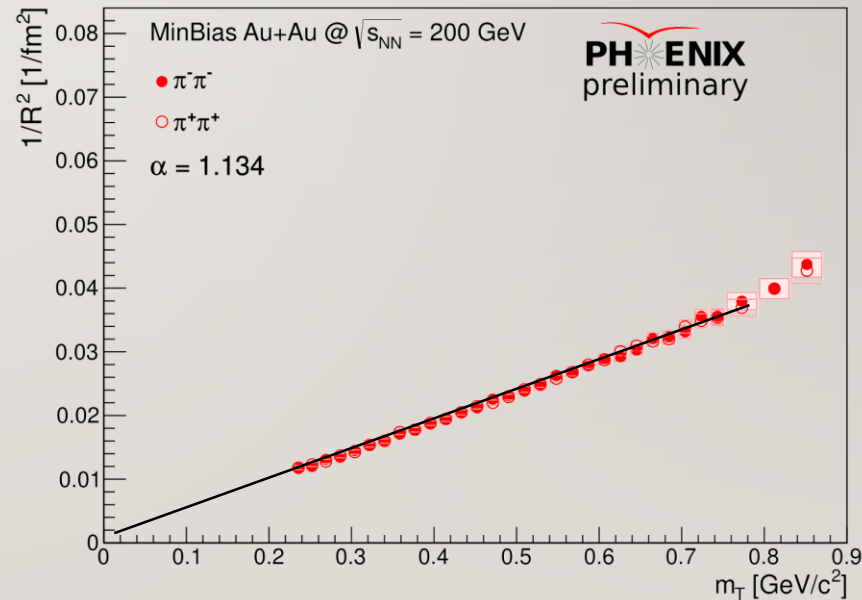
- Let the source be $S(r) \sim \exp -\frac{r_x^2}{2X^2} - \frac{r_y^2}{2Y^2} - \frac{r_z^2}{2Z^2}$, from there

$$C(k) = 1 + \exp -k_x^2 R_x^2 - k_y^2 R_y^2 - k_z^2 R_z^2$$
- In general, $v(r)$ velocity field, $T(r)$ temperature, $n(r)$ density: $S(r) \sim n(r) \exp -\frac{(mv(r)-p)^2}{2mT(r)}$
- Let $v = \left(\frac{\dot{X}}{X} r_x, \frac{\dot{Y}}{Y} r_y, \frac{\dot{Z}}{Z} r_z\right)$, $n = n_0 e^{-\frac{r_x^2}{2X^2} - \frac{r_y^2}{2Y^2} - \frac{r_z^2}{2Z^2}}$, $T = T_0 \left(\frac{X_0 Y_0 Z_0}{XYZ}\right)^{1/\kappa}$
- Then $R_x^2 = X^2 \left(1 + \frac{m}{T_0} \dot{X}^2\right)^{-1}$
- Not geometrical size!
- Relativistically expanding fireball:

$$R_{\text{HBT}}^2 = R_{\text{geom}}^2 \left(1 + \frac{m_T}{T_0} \dot{R}_{\text{geom}}^2\right)^{-1} \text{ or}$$

$$R_{\text{HBT}}^{-2} \sim m_T + \text{const}$$

[Csörgő, Lörstad, Phys.Rev.C54 (1996) 1390]



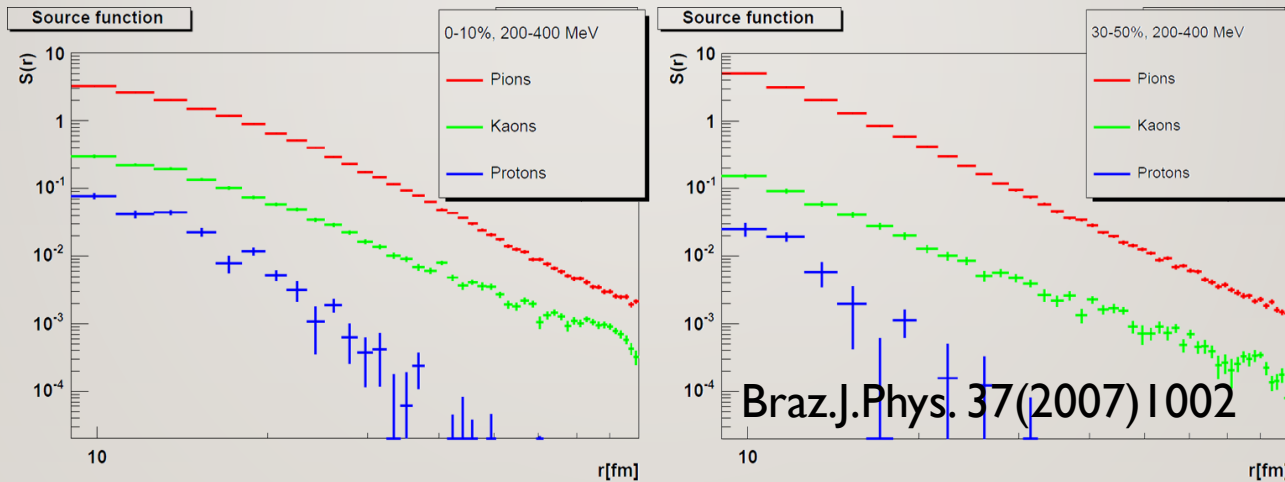


THE IMPORTANCE OF A KAON ANALYSIS

- Kaons: smaller cross-section, larger mean free path
- Heavier power-law tail?
- Prediction for π, K, p based on Humanic's Resonance Model (HRM): anomalous diffusion due to rescattering

Humanic, Int.J.Mod.Phys. E15 (2006) 197 [nucl-th/0510049]

Csanád, Csörgő, Nagy, Braz.J.Phys. 37 (2007) 1002 [hep-ph/0702032]

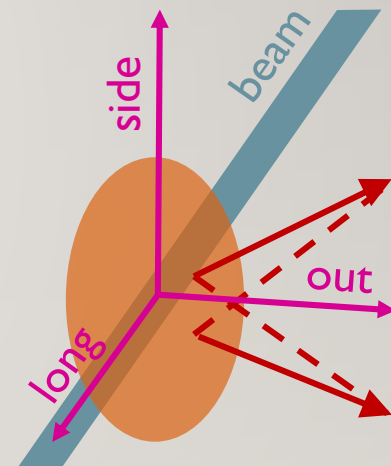
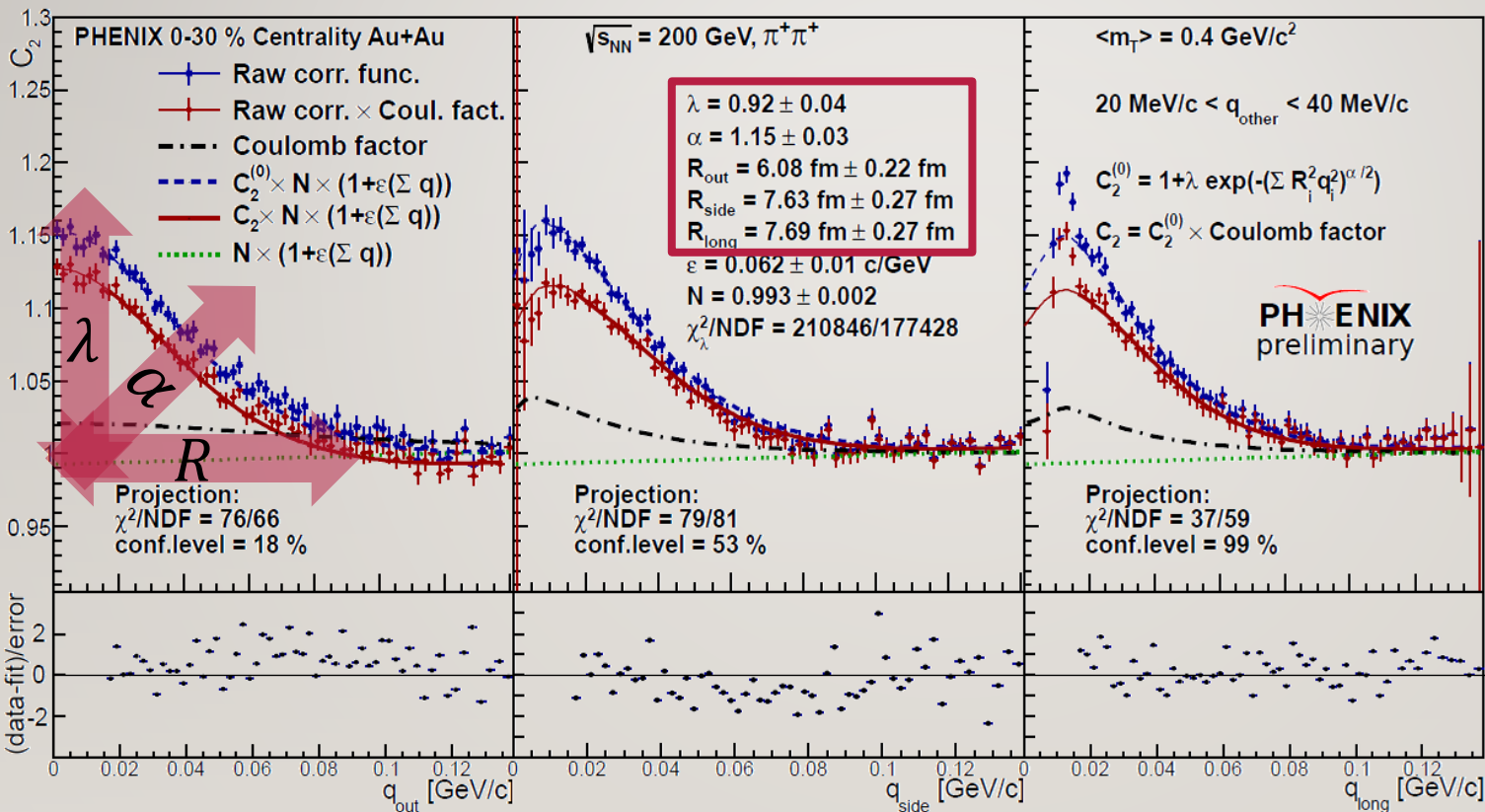


- $R_{\text{HBT}}(\text{Kaon})$ mT-scaling or its violation for Lévy scale R ?



41 /35 A CROSS-CHECK: 3D LÉVY FEMTOSCOPY

- Femtoscopy done in 3D: Bertsch-Pratt pair frame (out/side/long coordinates)
- Physical parameters: $R_{out/side/long}$, λ , α measured versus pair m_T
- Fit in this case: modified log-likelihood (small statistics in peak range)



42/35 3D VERSUS 1D: STRENGTH λ AND SHAPE α

- Compatible with 1D (Q_{LCMS}) measurement of PRC97(2018)0649 I I
- Small discrepancy at small m_T : due to large R_{long} at small m_T ?

