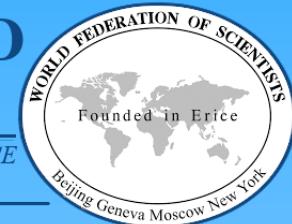


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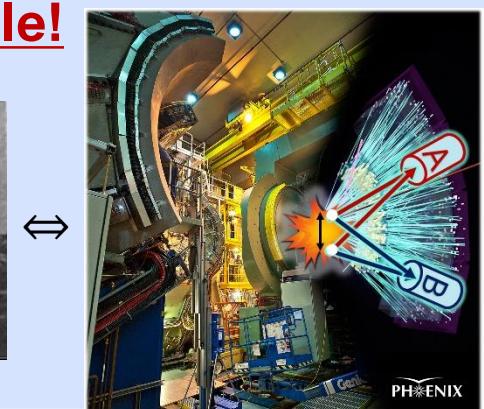
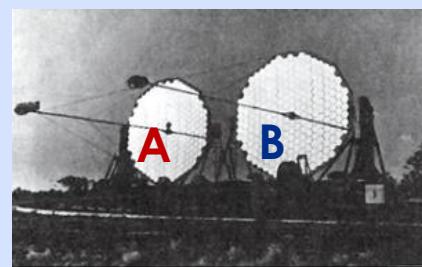
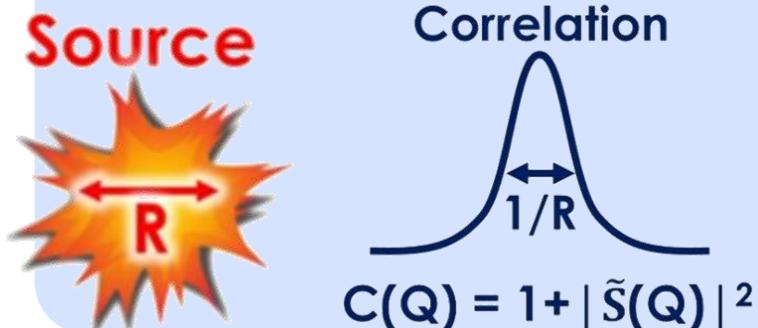
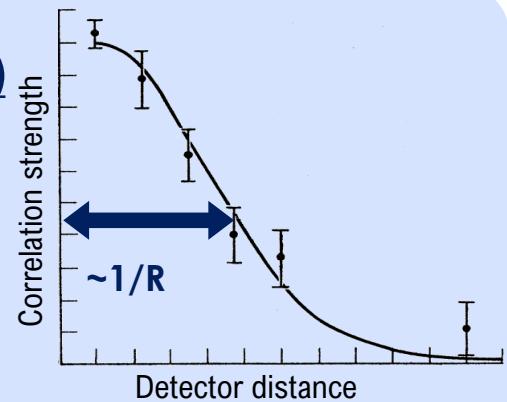


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The HBT effect and the idea of femtoscopy

- R. Hanbury Brown & R. Q. Twiss (Radio-astronomy)
 - Intensity corr. vs detector dist. \Rightarrow source size
- Goldhaber et al: analogy in high energy physics
 - Distant star \Leftrightarrow Quark-Gluon Plasma
 - Light \Leftrightarrow particles from freeze-out
 - Intensity corr. of light \Leftrightarrow Momentum corr. of identical (bosonic) particles
 - **Measuring source shape on the fm scale!**



Basic definitions of femtoscopical correlation functions

- Single particle distribution: $N_1(p) = \int dx S(x, p)$ phase-space density
 - Pair momentum distr.: $N_2(p_1, p_2) = \int dx_1 dx_2 S(x_1, p_1)S(x_2, p_2)|\psi(x_1, x_2)|^2$
 - Correlation function: $C(p_1, p_2) = \frac{N_2(p_1, p_2)}{N_1(p_1)N_1(p_2)}$
 - Pair source/spatial correlation: $D(r, K) = \int d^4\rho S\left(\rho + \frac{r}{2}, K\right)S\left(\rho - \frac{r}{2}, K\right)$ relative coordinate
- $C(Q, K) = \frac{\int D(r, K)|\psi_Q(r)|^2 dr}{\int D(r, K)dr}$
- relative pair momentum average pair momentum Pair wave function
- Experiments: measuring $C(Q)$ to gain information about $D(r)$

The two-particle source function (spatial correlations)

$$D(r, K) = \int d^4\rho S\left(\rho + \frac{r}{2}, K\right) S\left(\rho - \frac{r}{2}, K\right)$$

- Experiments – no direct access to pair-source
 - Assumption on the **shape of the $D(r)$ pair-source function**
 - Proper description of FSI in $\psi_Q(r)$ **symmetrized pair wave function**
 - Calculating $C(Q)$, then testing the assumption on experimental data
 - Experimental indications – **power-law tail for pions, Lévy-type sources?**
- Event generator models (like EPOS) – direct access to pair-source!
 - Phenomenological investigations of $D(r)$ possible

What is the shape of the source?

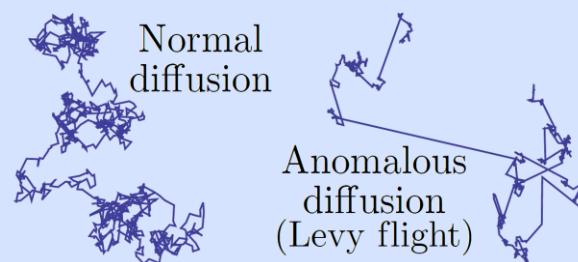
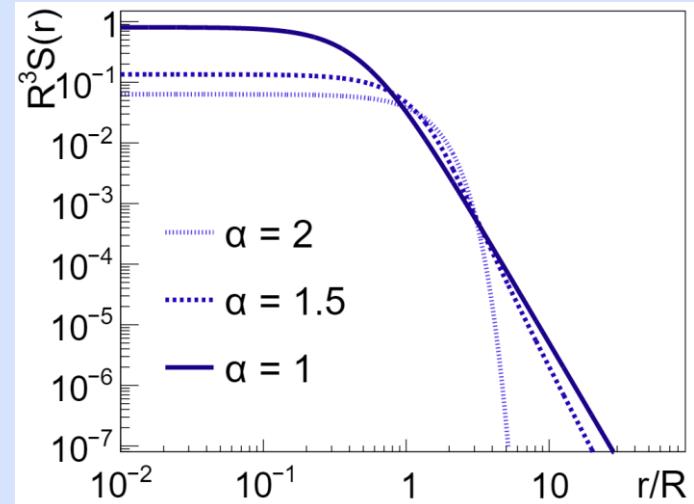
Gaussian vs. Lévy distributions in heavy ion physics

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

- Possible (competing) reasons for the appearance of Lévy-type sources:
 1. Proximity of the critical endpoint
 2. Anomalous diffusion
 3. Jet fragmentation
 4. Event averaging (different shapes)?
- Symmetric Lévy-stable distribution:

- From generalized central limit theorem, power-law tail (if $\alpha < 2$) $\sim r^{-(1+\alpha)}$
- $\alpha = 2$ Gaussian, $\alpha = 1$ Cauchy
- Retains the same α under convolution

$$S(r) = \mathcal{L}(\alpha, R; r) \Rightarrow D(r) = \mathcal{L}(\alpha, 2^{1/\alpha}R; r)$$



The EPOS model

- Energy conserving quantum-mechanical multiple scattering approach, based on **Partons** (parton ladders), **Off-shell remnants**, and **Splitting** of parton ladders.
- The model is based on **Monte-Carlo techniques**
- Theoretical framework: **parton-based Gribov-Regge theory** (PBGRT)
- Three main parts of the model:
 - **Core-Corona division** (based on dE/dx of string segments)
 - **Hydrodynamical evolution** (vHLLE 3D+1 viscous hydro)
 - **Hadronic cascades** (UrQMD afterburner)

Details of the analysis

- $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 200 \text{ GeV Au+Au}$ collisions generated by **EPOS359**
- Observable:
angle-avg. radial source distribution of like-sign pion pairs
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- Investigated cases:
 1. **CORE, primordial pions – Gaussian source shape***
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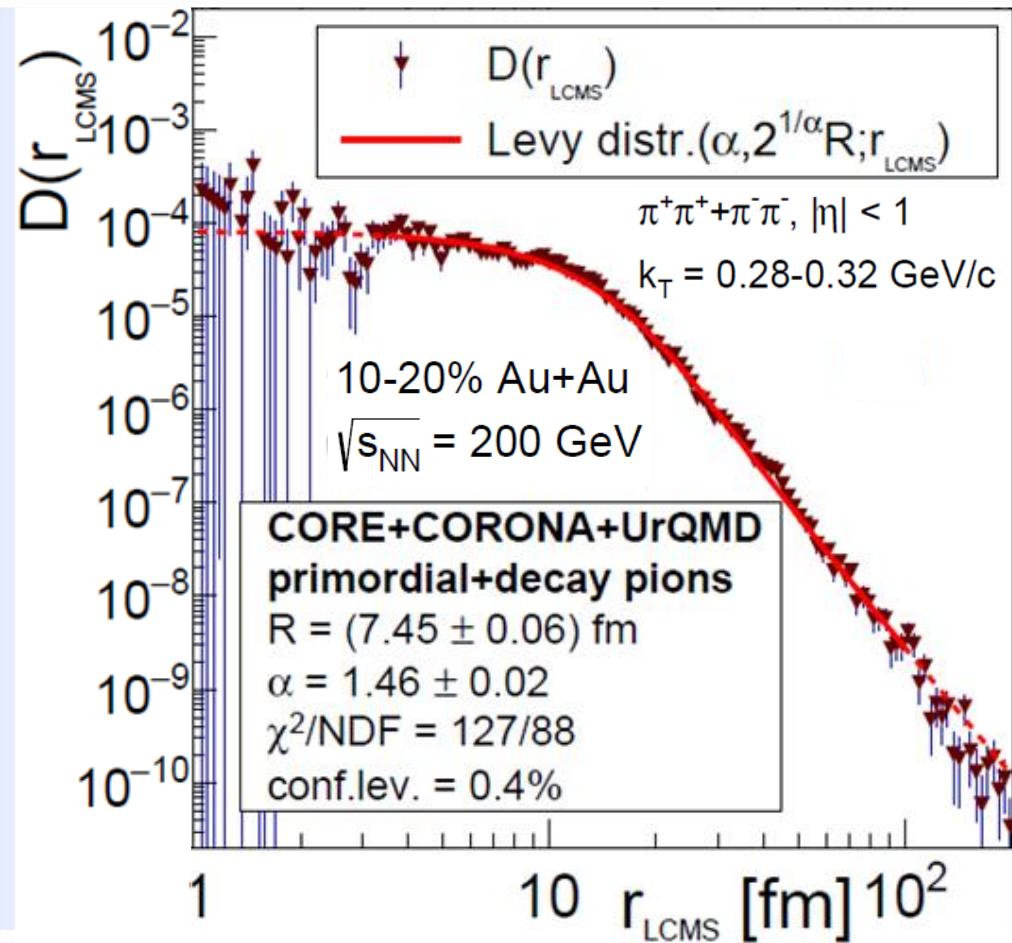
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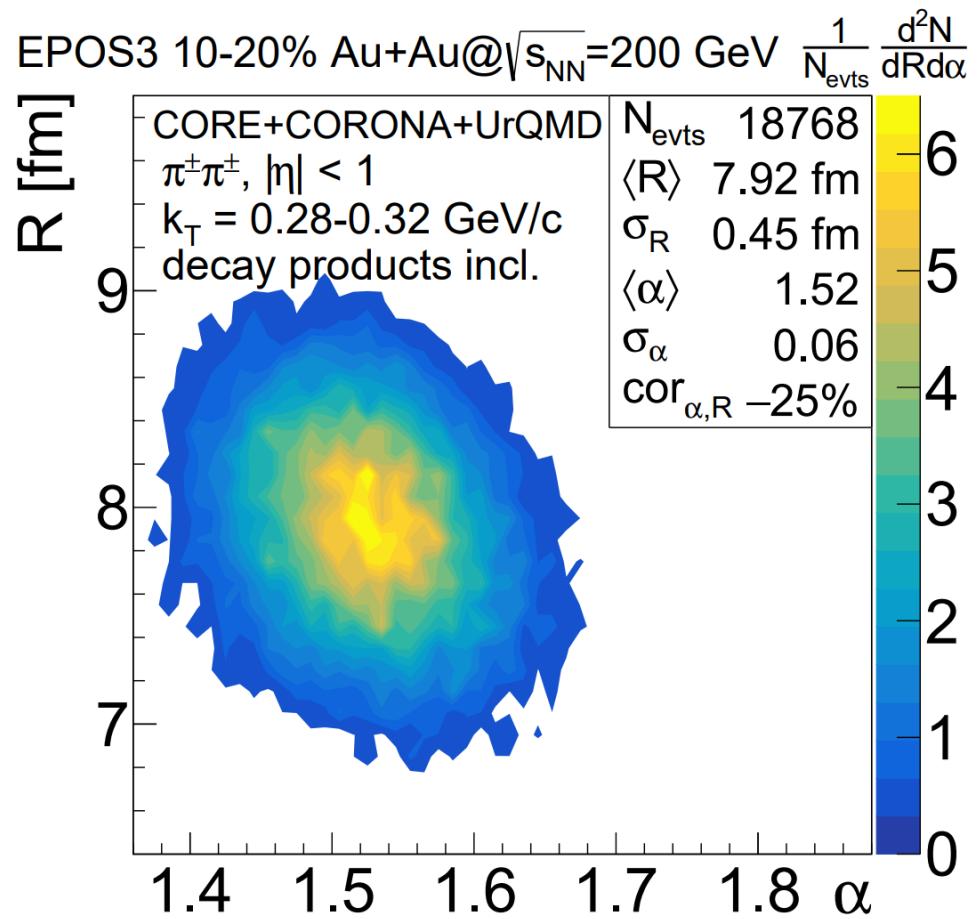
Example single evt. fit – CORE+CORONA+UrQMD with primordial + decay pions

- Investigating $D(r)$ event-by-event
- Lévy-fits provide good description (2-100 fm range)
- Let's repeat such fits for thousands of events
- Extract α, R distribution



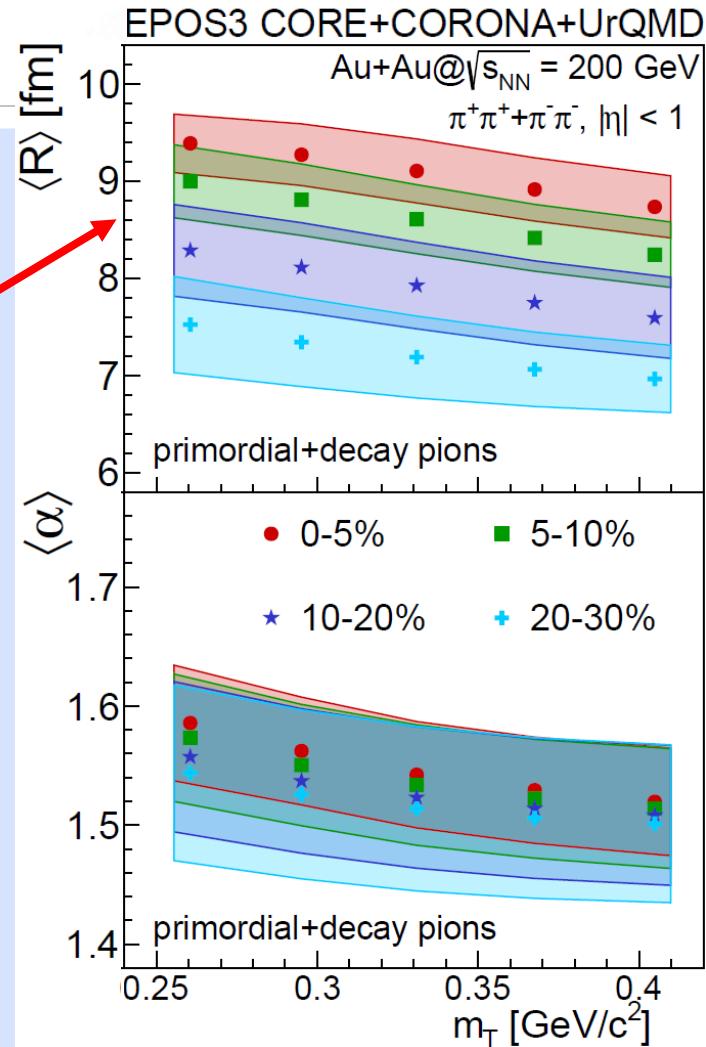
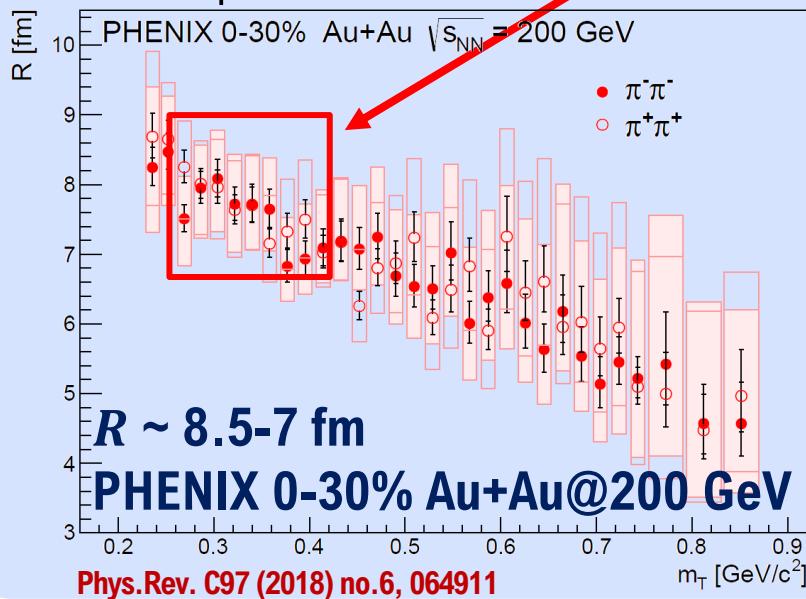
Example α, R distribution – CORE+CORONA+UrQMD with primordial + decay pions

- **Normal distr. of α, R** for given centrality & kT
- Extract **mean** and **std.dev**, investigate **centrality** and **mT dependence**
- kT dependence investigated around the peak of the pair- kT distr. to have adequate stat.



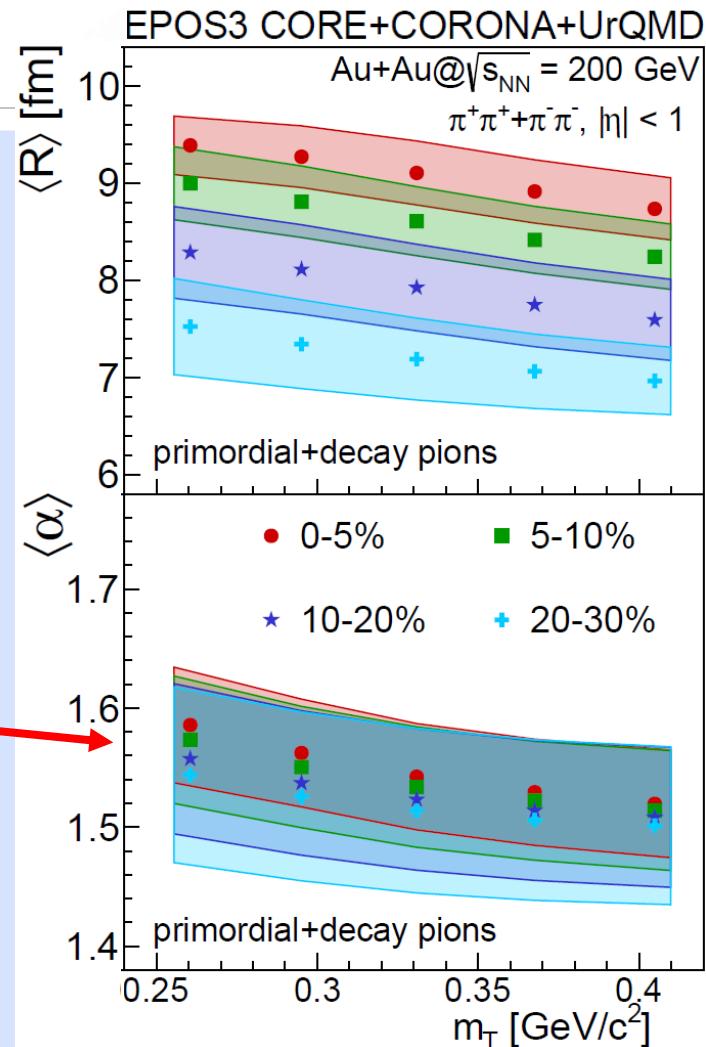
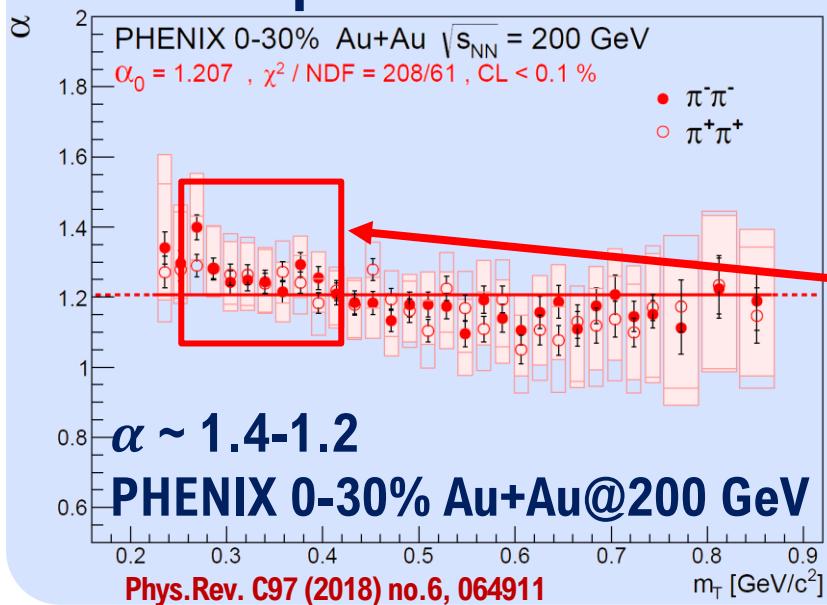
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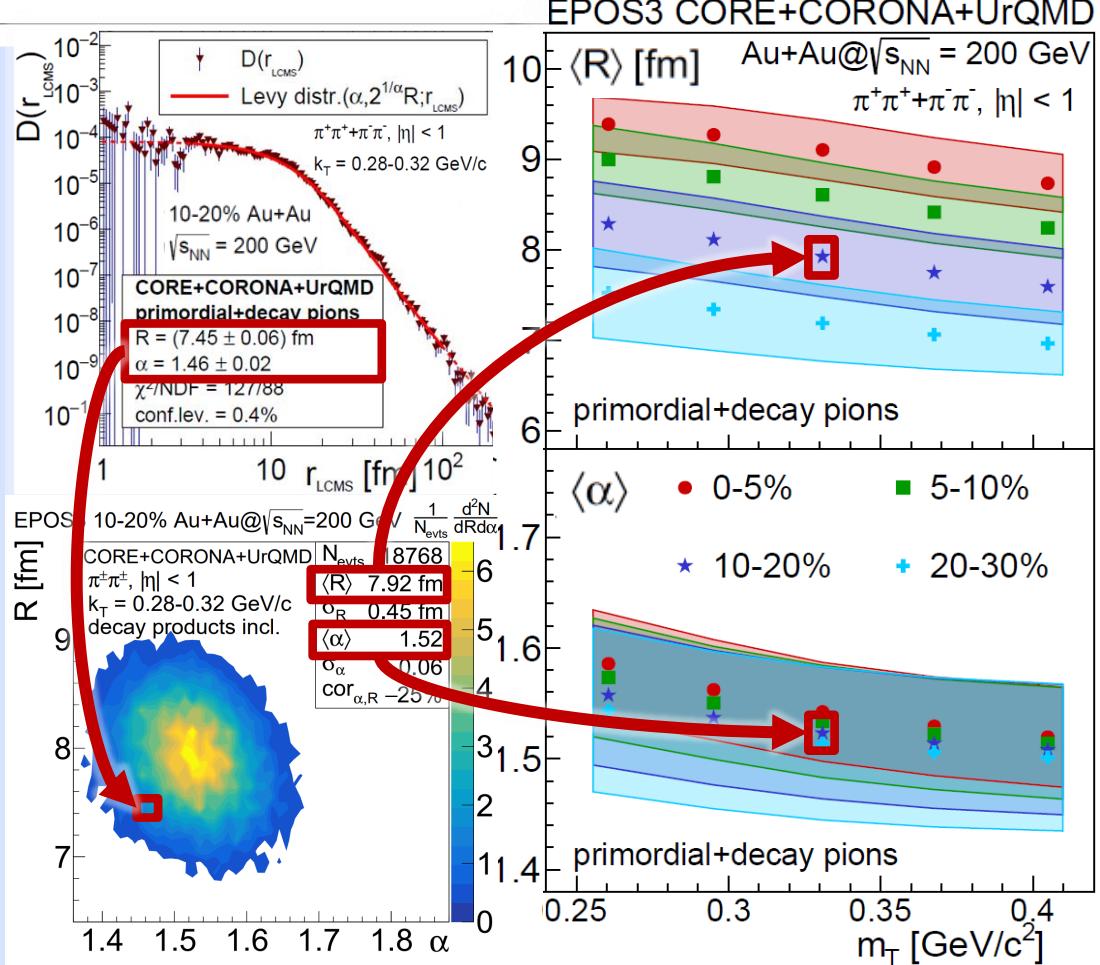
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Summary – event by event analysis of the pion pair-source in EPOS 200 GeV Au+Au collisions

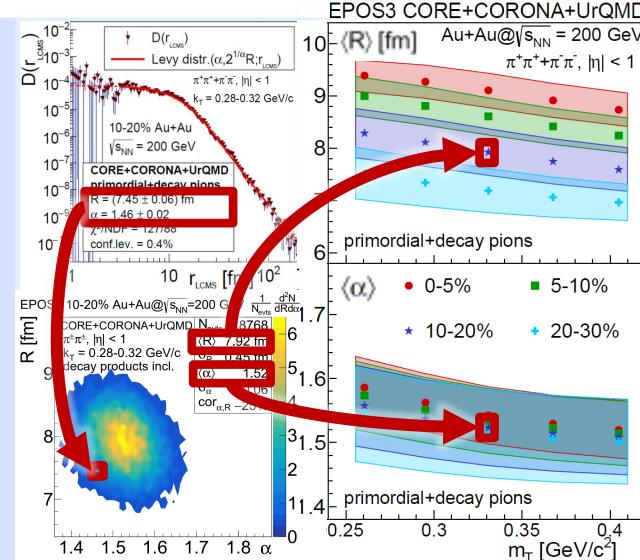
1. Single event Levy fits to angle-averaged $D(r)$ – **event-by-event non-Gaussianity**
2. Extracting the **mean, std.dev.** of R, α distr.
3. Investigating m_T & centr. dependence
 - **Lévy fits provide good descr., power-law tail strongly affected by rescattering, decays**



Outlook

Thank you for your attention!

- Investigating the pair-source in multiple dimensions
- Investigating the pair-source of different particles (kaons, protons)
- Reconstruct correlation func. from measured pair-source
- If you are interested in similar topics come to the Zimányi Winter School!
<http://zimanyischool.kfki.hu/22/>



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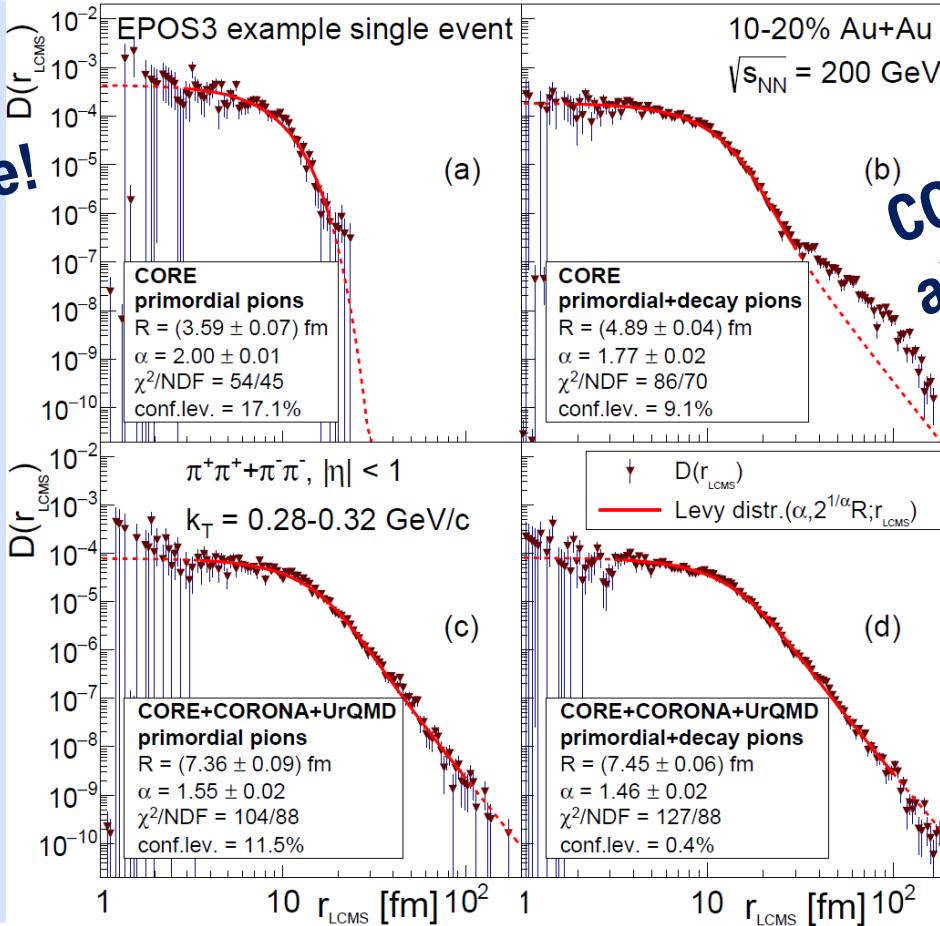


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CORE only:
Gaussian
source shape!



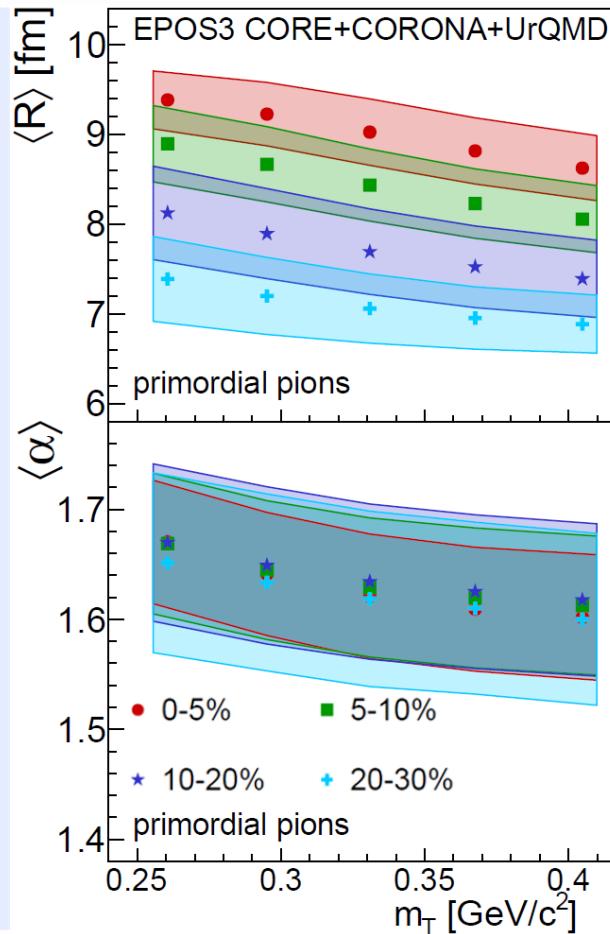
CORE + decays:
already power-law
structures!

Backup

$\langle \alpha \rangle, \langle R \rangle$ vs. m_T , centr. CORE+CORONA+UrQMD decay pions excluded(!)

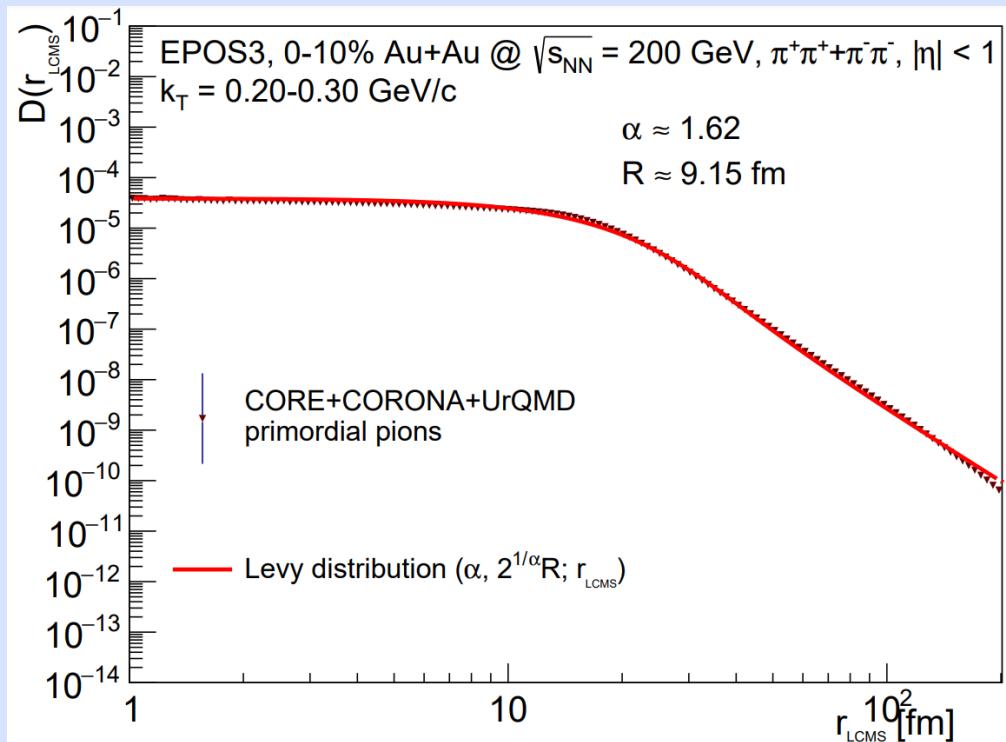
- **Removing decay pions decreases R , increases α** (but still far from Gaussian)
- **Decays and rescattering both play an important role** in the appearance of the power-law behavior

see also other phenomenological studies
e.g. Universe 5, 148,
Phys. Part. Nucl. 51(3), 282–287



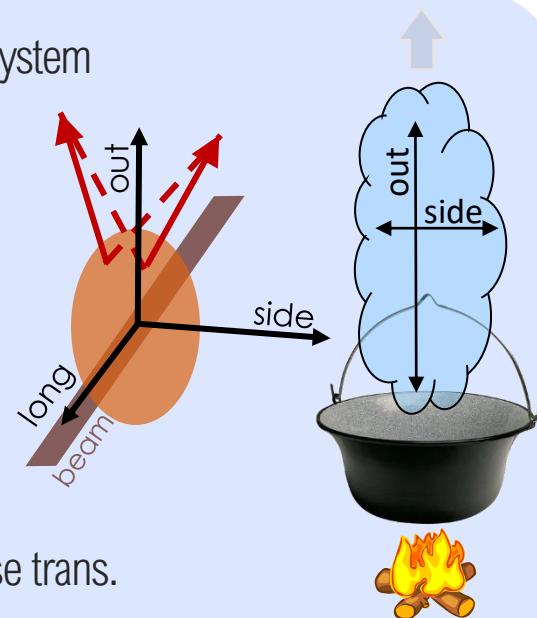
Backup

- Event-averaged source not perfectly Lévy
- Nevertheless, very similar parameters
- Event averaged: $\alpha \approx 1.62, R \approx 9.15 \text{ fm}$
- Event-by-event: $\alpha \approx 1.66, R \approx 8.96 \text{ fm}$
- More reasonable approach for kaons



Backup - HBT and the phase transition

- $C(q)$ usually measured in the Bertsch-Pratt pair coordinate-system
 - **out**: direction of the average transverse momentum
 - **long**: beam direction
 - **side**: orthogonal to the latter two
- $R_{out}, R_{side}, R_{long}$: HBT radii
- $\Delta\tau$ emission duration, i.e. $S(r, \tau) \sim e^{-\frac{(\tau - \tau_0)^2}{2\Delta\tau^2}}$
- From a simple hydro calculation:
$$R_{out}^2 = \frac{R^2}{1+u_T^2 m_T/T_0} + \beta_T^2 \Delta\tau^2, \quad R_{side}^2 = \frac{R^2}{1+u_T^2 m_T/T_0}$$
- RHIC, 200 GeV: $R_{out} \approx R_{side} \rightarrow$ no strong 1st order phase trans.
- Plus lots of other details: pre-equilibrium flow, initial state, EoS, ...



S. Chapman, P. Scotto, U. Heinz, Phys.Rev.Lett. 74 (1995) 4400; T. Csörgő and B. Lörstad, Phys.Rev. C54 (1996) 1390; S. Pratt, Nucl.Phys. A830 (2009) 51C

Backup – 2nd order phase transition?

- Second order phase transitions: **critical exponents**
 - **Near the critical point**
 - Specific heat $\sim ((T - T_c)/T_c)^{-\alpha}$
 - Order parameter $\sim ((T - T_c)/T_c)^{-\beta}$
 - Susceptibility/compressibility $\sim ((T - T_c)/T_c)^{-\gamma}$
 - Correlation length $\sim ((T - T_c)/T_c)^{-\nu}$
 - **At the critical point**
 - Order parameter $\sim (\text{source field})^{1/\delta}$
 - **Spatial correlation function** $\sim r^{-d+2-\eta}$
 - Ginzburg-Landau: $\alpha = 0, \beta = 0.5, \gamma = 1, \eta = 0.5, \delta = 3, \eta = 0$
 - QCD \leftrightarrow 3D Ising model
 - Can we measure the η power-law exponent?
 - Depends on spatial distribution: measurable with femtoscopy!
 - **What distribution has a power-law exponent? Levy-stable distribution!**

Backup – Properties of univariate stable distributions

- **Univariate stable distribution:** $f(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(q) e^{-ixq} dq$,

where the characteristic function:

$$\varphi(q; \alpha, \beta, R, \mu) = \exp(iq\mu - |qR|^\alpha(1 - i\beta \operatorname{sgn}(q)\Phi))$$

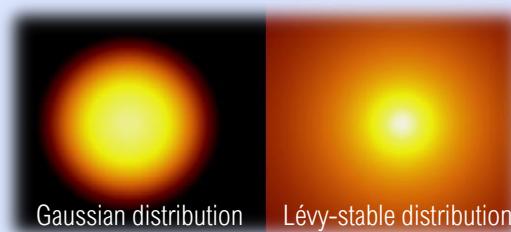
- α : index of stability

- β : skewness, symmetric if $\beta = 0$

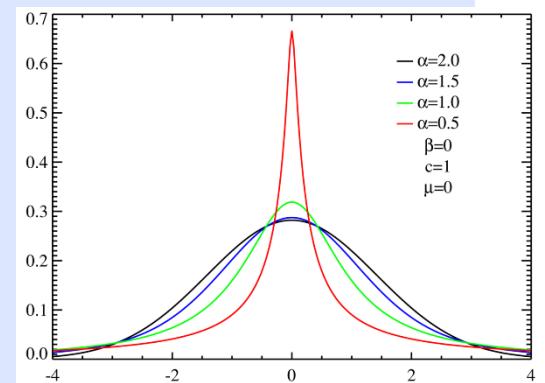
- R : scale parameter

- μ : location, equals the median,

if $\alpha > 1$: μ = mean



$$\Phi = \begin{cases} \tan\left(\frac{\pi\alpha}{2}\right), & \alpha \neq 1 \\ -\frac{2}{\pi} \log|q|, & \alpha = 1 \end{cases}$$

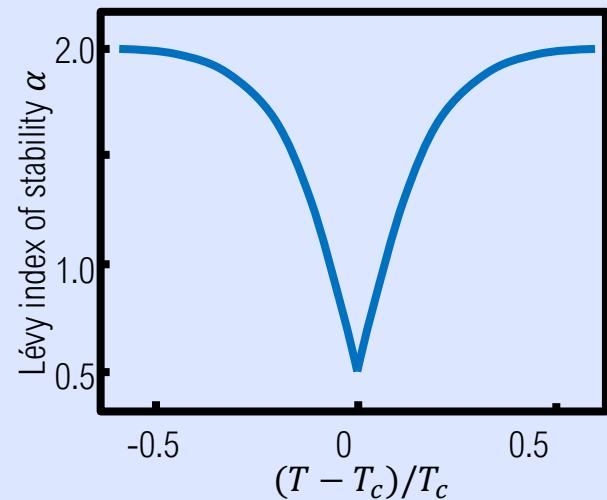


- **Important characteristics of stable distributions:**

- The distributions retain the same α and β under convolution of random variables
- Any moment greater than α isn't defined

Backup - 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 $\alpha_{Lévy}$ - proximity of CEP?**



- Modulo finite size/time and non-equilibrium effects
- Other possible reasons for Lévy distr.: anomalous diffusion, QCD jets, ...