

Study of properties of hot matter created in heavy ion collisions

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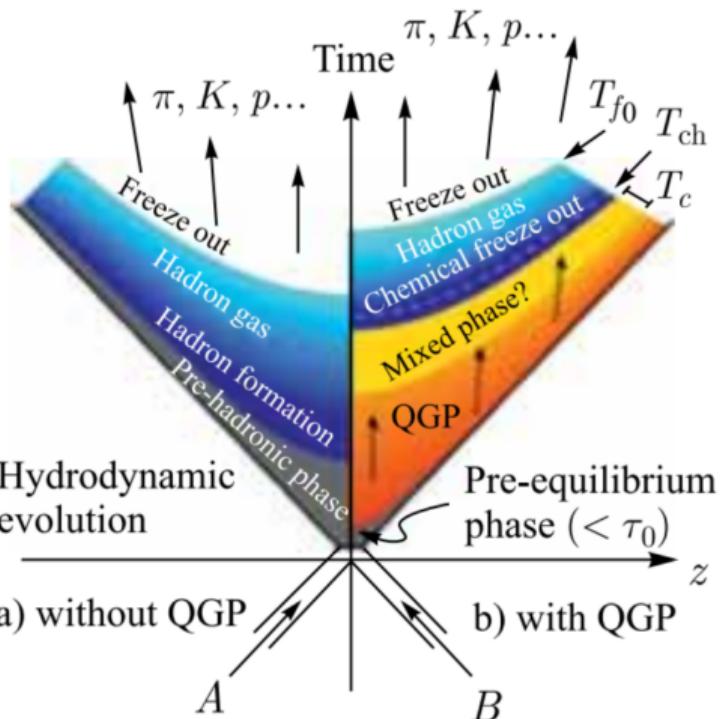
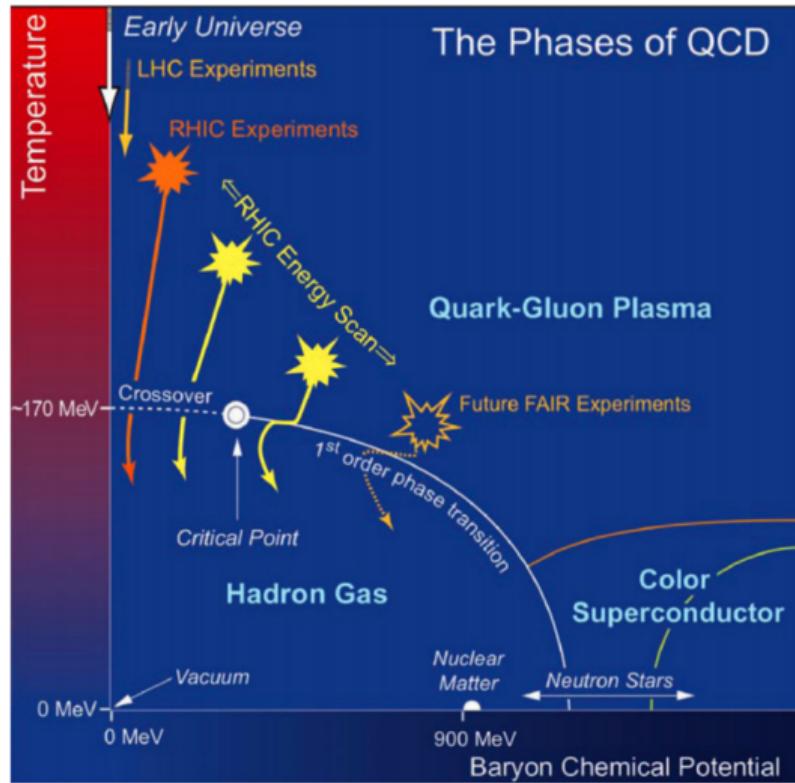
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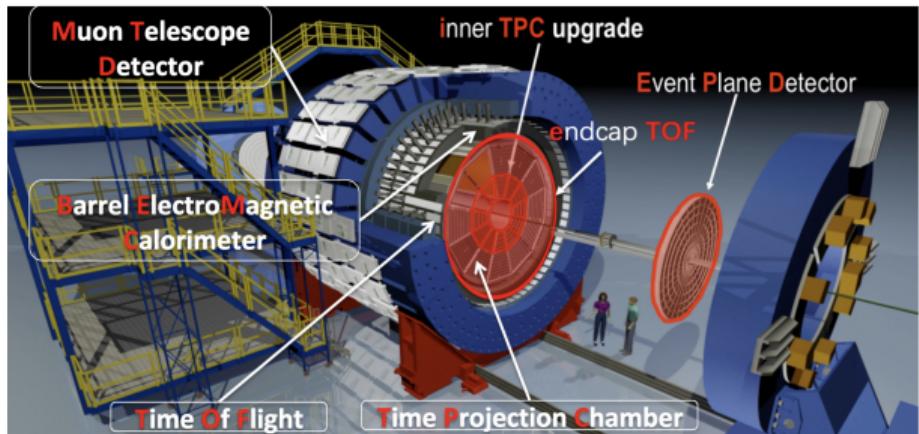
Evolution of quark-gluon plasma



The STAR experiment

TPC (Time Projection Chamber)

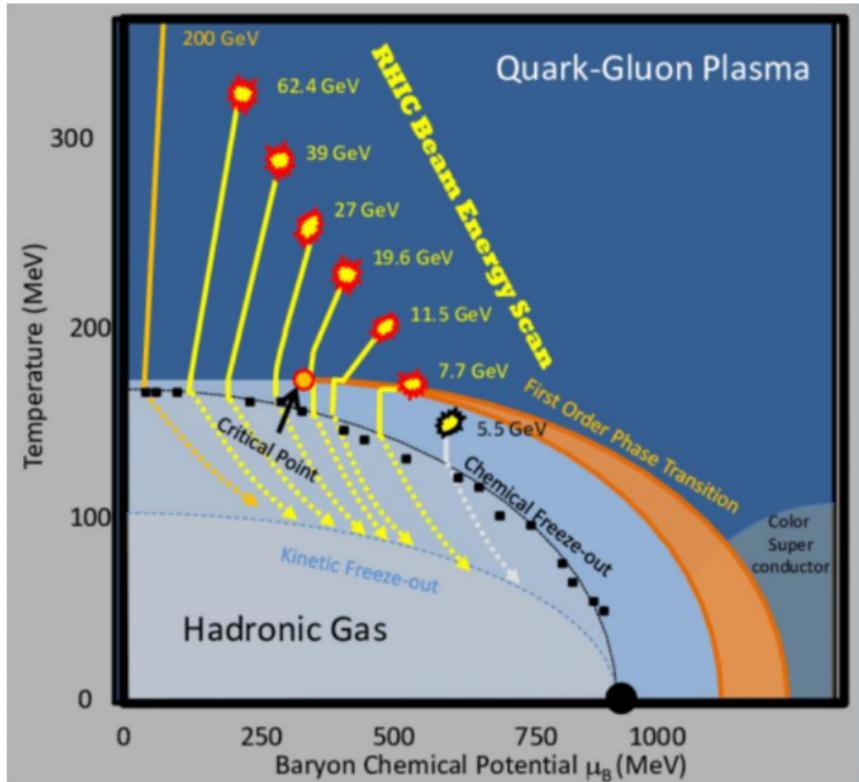
- ▶ used for tracking and identification
- ▶ length 4.2 m, diameter 4 m (1 m),
- ▶ azimuthal angle 2π
- ▶ pseudorapidity range $|\eta| < 1$
- ▶ in a magnetic field 0.5 Tesla



Beam Energy Scan program on RHIC

Used data:

- ▶ RHIC BES-I, 2010-2011
- ▶ $Au + Au \sqrt{S_{NN}} = 7.7 - 39$ GeV.
- ▶ Phys.Rev.C 96 (2017) 044904,
Phys.Rev.C 92 (2015) 014904.



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General relations

- ▶ The general expression for transverse momentum distribution of particles of relativistic ideal gas:

$$\frac{d^2 N}{p_T \, d p_T \, d y} = \frac{V}{(2\pi)^3} \int_0^{2\pi} d\varphi E_{\vec{p}} \sum_{\sigma} \langle n_{\vec{p}\sigma} \rangle,$$

where $E_{\vec{p}} = m_T \cosh y$, $m_T = \sqrt{p_T^2 + m^2}$, $\langle n_{\vec{p}\sigma} \rangle$ - occupation numbers.

Boltzmann-Gibbs statistics

- ▶ Boltzmann-Gibbs statistics:

$$\langle n_{\vec{p}\sigma} \rangle = \frac{1}{\exp\left(\frac{E_{\vec{p}} - \mu}{T}\right) + \eta},$$

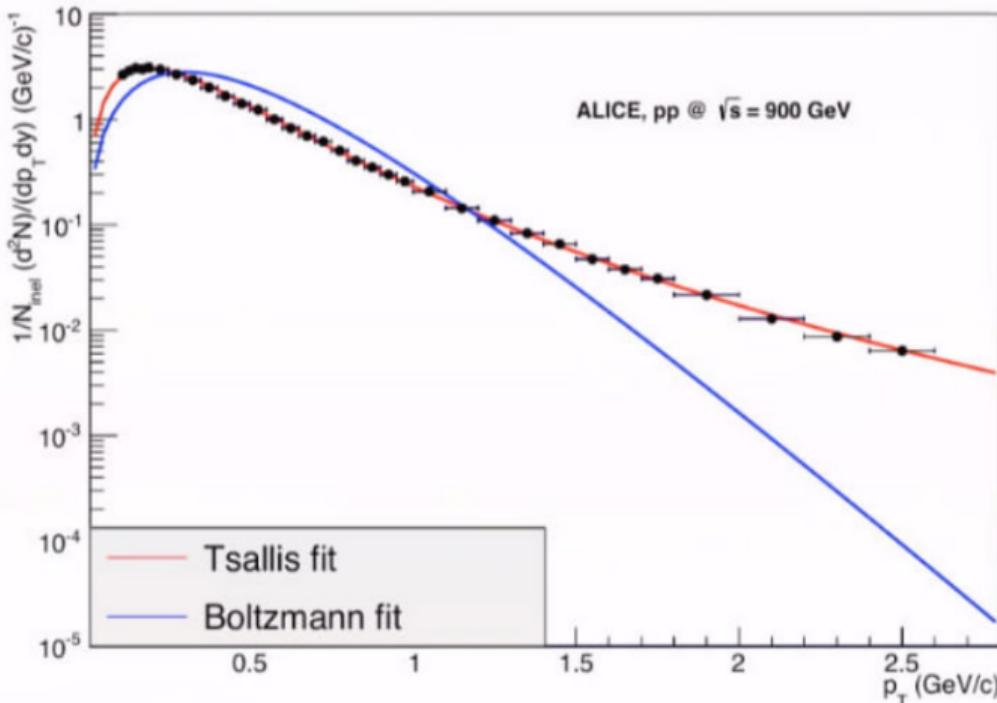
where $\eta = -1$ (Bose-Einstein), 0 (Maxwell-Boltzmann), 1 (Fermi-Dirac).

- ▶ For $\eta = 0$ (Maxwell-Boltzmann) transverse momentum distribution can be integrated by y analytically:

$$\frac{dN}{p_T d p_T} = \frac{V}{2\pi^2} m_T K_1\left(\frac{m_T}{T}\right)$$

Tsallis vs Boltzmann

Transverse momentum spectrum of charged π^+ in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 900$ GeV



Presentation by J Cleymans @ CERN Heavy Ion Forum 2014

Existing Tsallis distributions

- ▶ Levy function:

(G. Wilk and Z. W Iodarczyk, Phys. Rev. Lett. 84, 2770 (2000))

$$\frac{d^2 N}{p_T dp_T dy} = \frac{dN}{dy} \frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{nC(nC + m_0(n-2))} \left(1 + \frac{m_T - m_0}{mC}\right)^{-n}$$

- ▶ Tsallis-like distribution:

(Alberico W M, Lavagno, Eur. Phys. J. A 40 313 (2009))

$$\frac{d^2 N}{p_T dp_T dy} = A \left(1 + (q-1) \frac{m_T \cosh y - \mu}{T}\right)^{\frac{1}{1-q}}$$

- ▶ Phenomenological Tsallis distribution:

(Cleymans J, Worku D, J.Phys.G:Nucl.Part.Phys. 39, 025006 (2012))

$$\frac{d^2 N}{p_T dp_T dy} = \frac{gV}{(2\pi)^2} m_T \cosh y \left(1 + (q-1) \frac{m_T \cosh y - \mu}{T}\right)^{\frac{q}{1-q}}$$

So which model should be used?

Tsallis-3 statistics (J.Phys.G:Nucl.Part.Phys.50 2023 125002)

- ▶ Tsallis entropy:

$$S = \sum_i \frac{p_i^q - p_i}{1 - q}, \quad \sum_i p_i = 1,$$

где p_i - probability i th microscopic state of the system, $q \in [0, \infty]$.

- ▶ In the Gibbs limit $q \rightarrow 1$ the entropy recovers the Boltzmann-Gibbs entropy:

$$S = \sum_i p_i \ln p_i$$

- ▶ In Grand Canonical Ensemble thermodynamic potential Ω takes the form:

$$\Omega = \langle H \rangle - TS - \mu \langle N \rangle, \text{ where}$$

$$\langle H \rangle = \frac{1}{\theta} \sum_i p_i^q E_i, \quad \langle N \rangle = \frac{1}{\theta} \sum_i p_i^q N_i, \quad \theta = \sum_i p_i^q.$$

Tsallis-3 statistics

Let's consider a relativistic ideal gas in the Grand Canonical Ensemble. From the principle of thermodynamic equilibrium (the principle of maximum entropy), normalization expressions for the parameters $\Lambda = -\theta TS + \langle H \rangle - \mu \langle N \rangle$ и $\theta = \sum_i p_i^q$ can be derived:

$$\begin{cases} 1 = \sum_{n=0}^{n_0} \frac{\omega^n}{n! \Gamma(\frac{1}{q-1})} \int_0^\infty t^{\frac{2-q}{q-1}-n} e^{-t+\beta'(\Lambda+\mu n)} (\text{K}_2(\beta'm))^n dt, \\ \theta = \sum_{n=0}^{n_0} \frac{\omega^n}{n! \Gamma(\frac{q}{q-1})} \int_0^\infty t^{\frac{1}{q-1}-n} e^{-t+\beta'(\Lambda+\mu n)} (\text{K}_2(\beta'm))^n dt, \end{cases}.$$

$$\text{where } \omega = \frac{gV}{2\pi^2} \frac{m^2 T \theta^2}{q-1}, \quad \beta' = \frac{-t(1-q)}{T\theta^2},$$

n_0 - the number of terms to be taken into account, counting from zero.

Tsallis-3 statistics

- ▶ The expression for transverse momentum distribution of particles of relativistic ideal gas in the grand canonical ensemble in rapidity range $y \in [y_{\min}, y_{\max}]$ takes the form:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2N}{p_T dp_T dy} \Big|_{y_{\min}}^{y_{\max}} &= \frac{gV}{(2\pi)^2} m_T \int_{y_{\min}}^{y_{\max}} dy \cosh y \times \\ &\times \frac{1}{\theta} \sum_{n=0}^{n_0} \frac{\omega^n}{n! \Gamma(\frac{q}{q-1})} \int_0^\infty t^{\frac{1}{q-1}-n} e^{-t+\beta'(\Lambda-m_T \cosh y + \mu(n+1))} (K_2(\beta' m))^n dt \end{aligned}$$

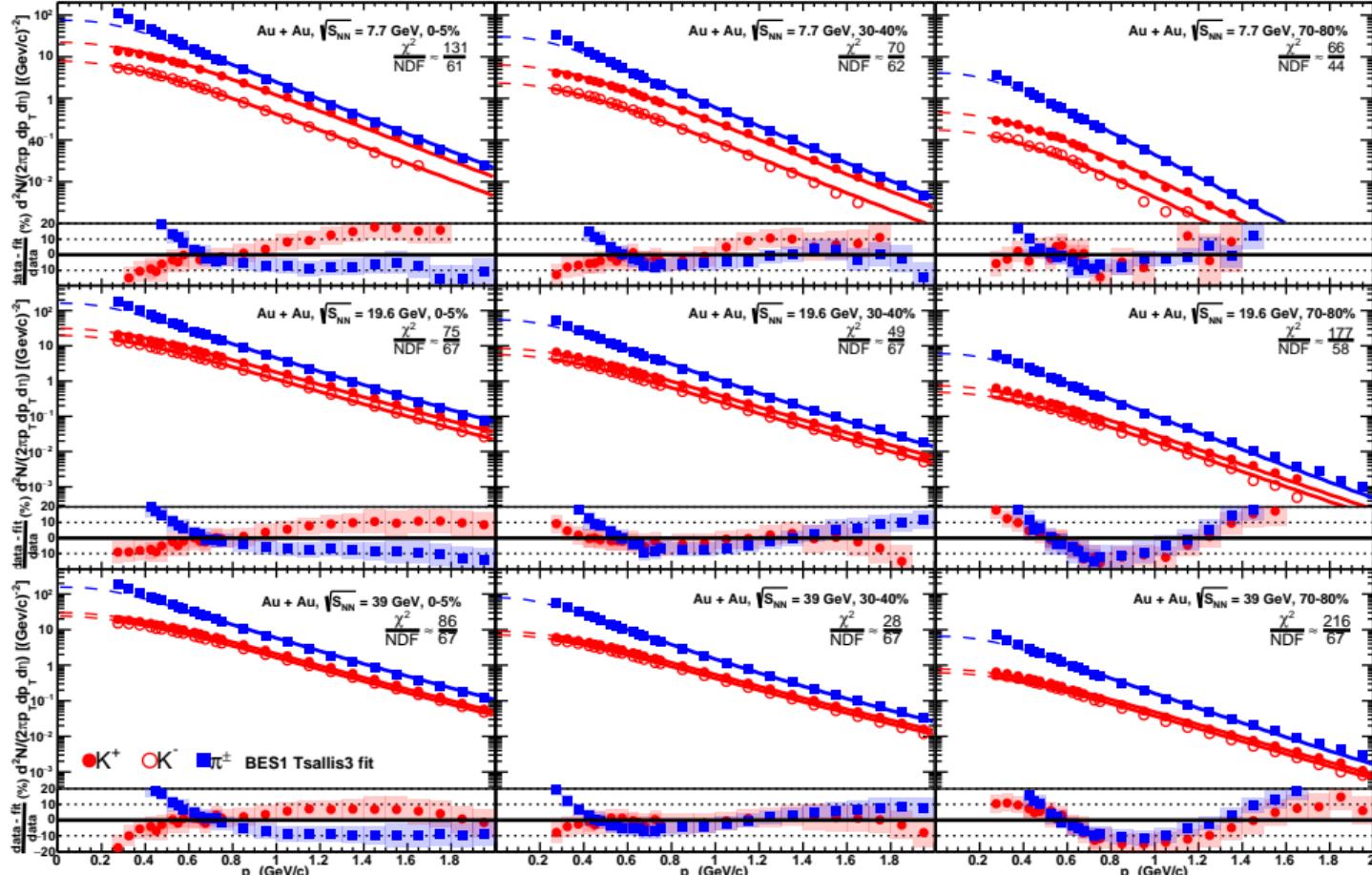
- ▶ In this work: $n_0 = 1$, $\mu = 0$.

Tsallis-3 statistics

- ▶ For $n_0 = 0$ norm system can be solved analytically: $\Lambda = 0$, $\theta = 1$. Then the expression for distribution takes the form:

$$\frac{d^2N}{p_T dp_T dy} \Big|_{y_{min}}^{y_{max}} = \frac{gV}{(2\pi)^2} \int_{y_{min}}^{y_{max}} dy m_T \cosh y \left(1 - (1-q) \frac{m_T \cosh y - \mu}{T} \right)^{\frac{q}{1-q}}$$

- ▶ This expression reproduces the phenomenological Tsallis distribution.
- ▶ Other kinds of distributions are thermodynamically inconsistent, as shown in [Parvan A.S., 10.1088/1751-8121/ac0ebd], because there the mean of the values is incorrectly calculated, which leads to $\langle 1 \rangle \neq 1$. **If we want to obtain physically meaningful thermodynamic parameters, we should use thermodynamically consistent distributions.**

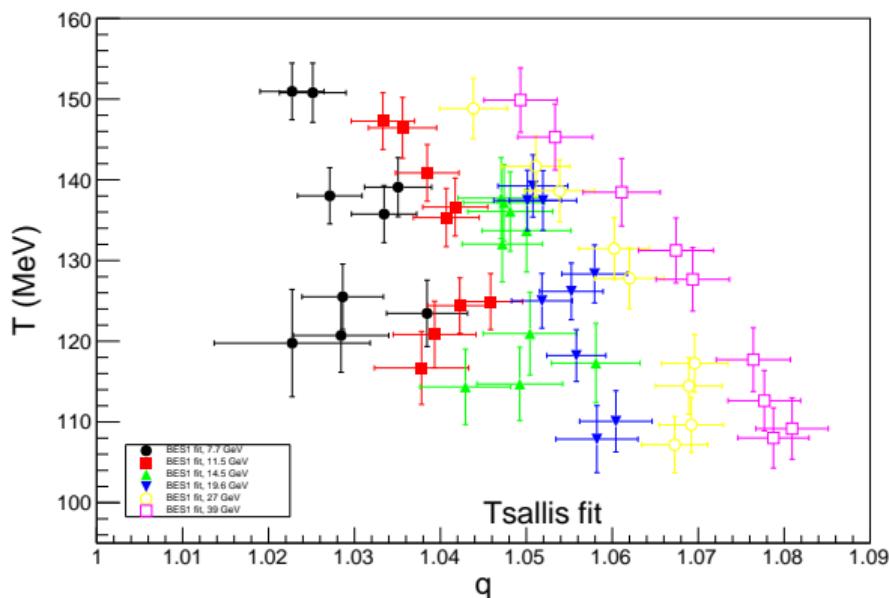


Fit results (7.7 GeV)

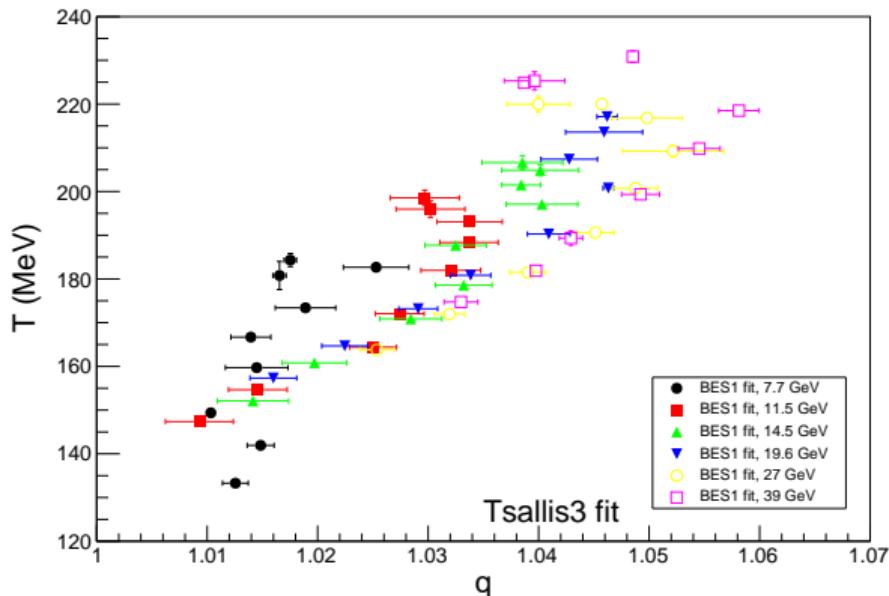
| Centrality | T (MeV) | q | χ^2/NDF |
|------------|-----------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 0–5% | 187.5 ± 1.5 | 1.0221 ± 0.0022 | 131/61 |
| 5–10% | 184.9 ± 1.7 | 1.0227 ± 0.0031 | 93/63 |
| 10–20% | 186.9 ± 1.1 | 1.0346 ± 0.0034 | 67/63 |
| 20–30% | 178.2 ± 1.0 | 1.0331 ± 0.0029 | 73/63 |
| 30–40% | 170.5 ± 0.8 | 1.0277 ± 0.0030 | 70/62 |
| 40–50% | 161.7 ± 0.9 | 1.0326 ± 0.0029 | 65/57 |
| 50–60% | 151.6 ± 0.9 | 1.0206 ± 0.0031 | 81/57 |
| 60–70% | 143.8 ± 1.0 | 1.0157 ± 0.0032 | 73/53 |
| 70–80% | 136.8 ± 0.9 | 1.0082 ± 0.0041 | 66/44 |

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Zeroth term approximation



Exact Tsallis-3 statistics



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General Relations

- ▶ Assume that particles are emitted from a fireball expanding longitudinally with rapidity η and transversely with some radial rapidity $\rho = \tanh^{-1} \beta(r)$. Full velocity field takes the form:

$$u^\nu(\rho, \eta) = (\cosh(\rho) \cosh(\eta), \vec{e}_r \sinh(\rho), \cosh(\rho) \sinh(\eta)).$$

- ▶ The transverse momentum spectrum is given by the Cooper-Frye formula:

$$\frac{d^3N}{p_T dp_T dy d\varphi} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{\Sigma} d\Sigma_\lambda p^\lambda \sum_{\sigma} \langle n_{\vec{p}\sigma} \rangle$$

where Σ - the four-dimensional freeze-out hypersurface.

- ▶ Parameterizing the hypersurface $\Sigma(r, \phi, \zeta)$ in cylindrical coordinates:

$$r \in [0, R], \phi \in [0, 2\pi], \zeta \in [-Z, Z].$$

General Relations

- ▶ Thus, we obtain:

$$\frac{d^3 N}{p_T \, dp_T \, dy \, d\varphi} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int_0^R r \, dr \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_{-Z}^Z dz \, m_T (\cosh y - \sinh y \tanh \eta) \sum_{\sigma} \langle n_{\vec{p}\sigma} \rangle$$

- ▶ where we include expansion flow in occupation numbers:

$$E_{\vec{p}} = u^\mu p_\mu = m_T \cosh(y - \eta) \cosh \rho - p_T \sinh \rho \cosh(\varphi - \phi)$$

Boltzmann-Gibbs statistics

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where $\eta = -1$ (Bose-Einstein), 0 (Maxwell-Boltzmann), 1 (Fermi-Dirac).

- For $\eta = 0$ (Maxwell-Boltzmann) transverse momentum distribution can be integrated by y and ϕ analytically:

$$\frac{dN}{p_T dp_T} = \frac{gV}{4\pi^3} m_T e^{\frac{\mu}{T}} \int_0^1 \tilde{r} d\tilde{r} K_1\left(\frac{m_T \cosh \rho}{T}\right) I_0\left(\frac{p_T \sinh \rho}{T}\right),$$

where $V = \pi R^2 \tau 2\eta_{\max}$ - cylinder volume.

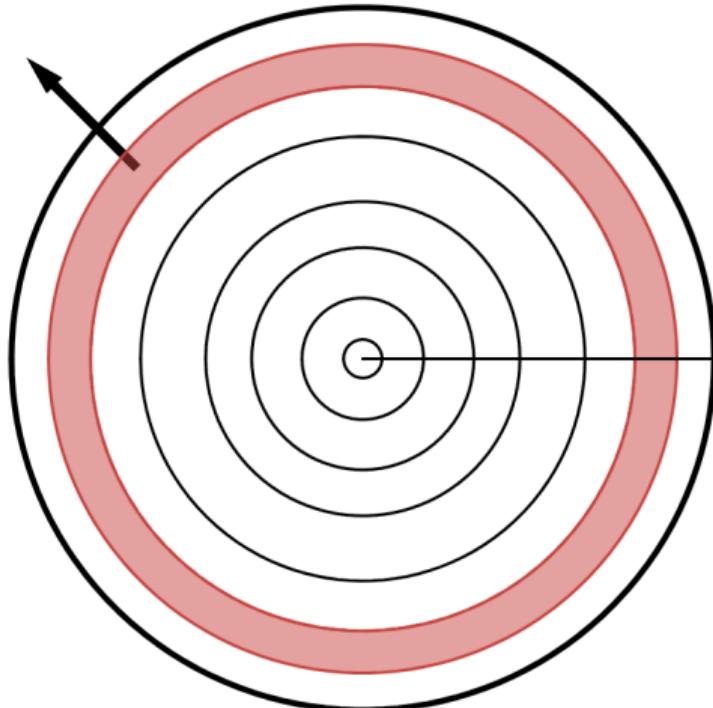
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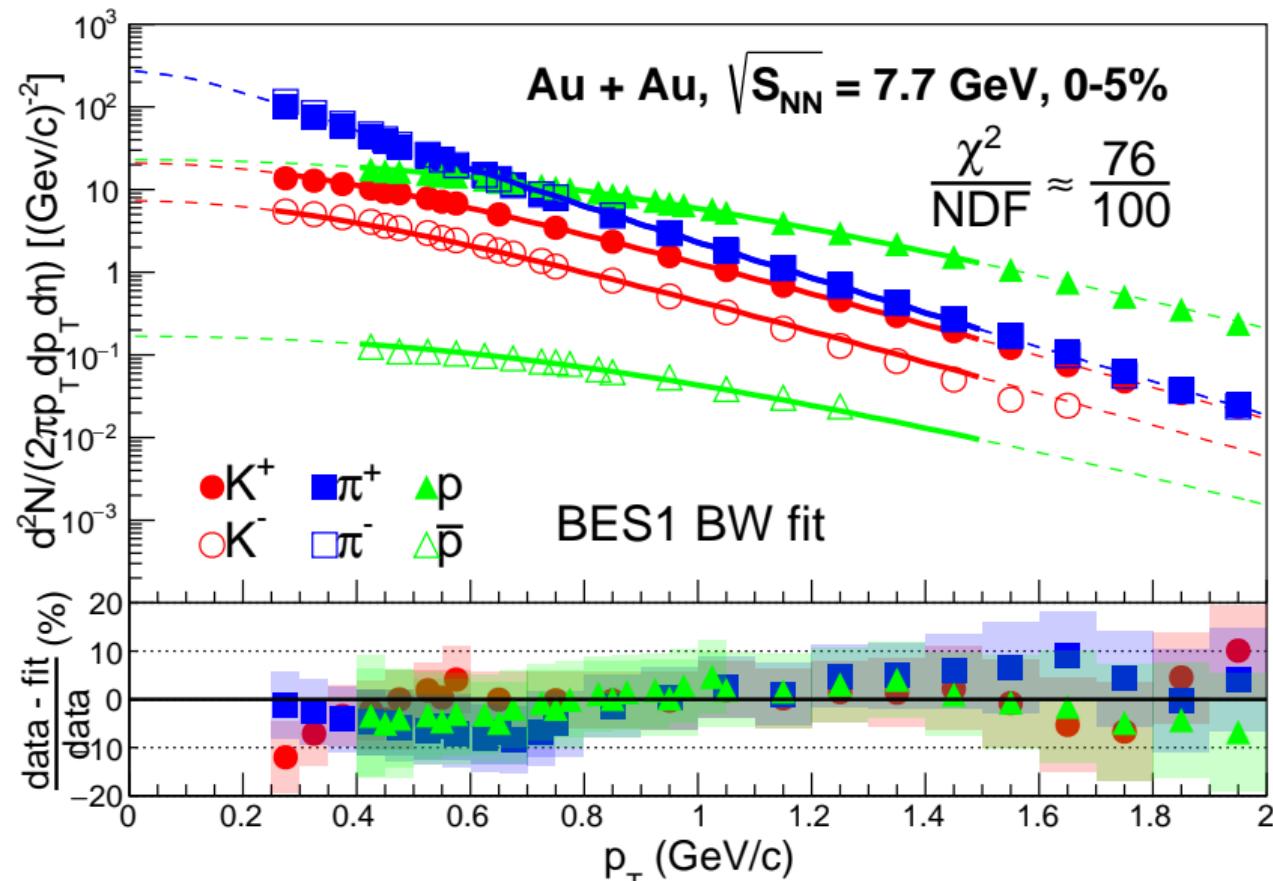
- ▶ Expansion rapidity parameterization:

$$\rho(r) = \rho_0 \left(\frac{r}{R} \right)^n,$$

where n defines the transverse flow rapidity profile.

- ▶ We use $n = 1$.



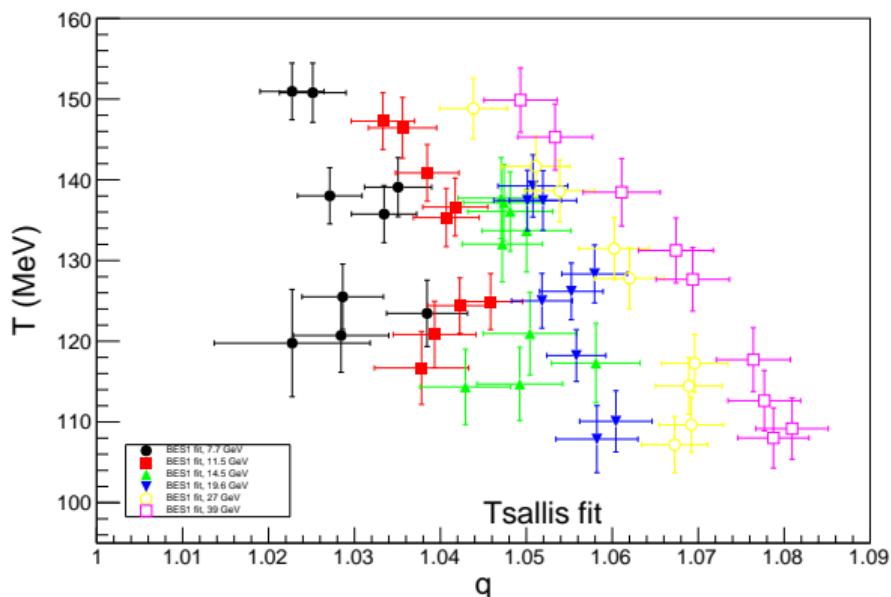


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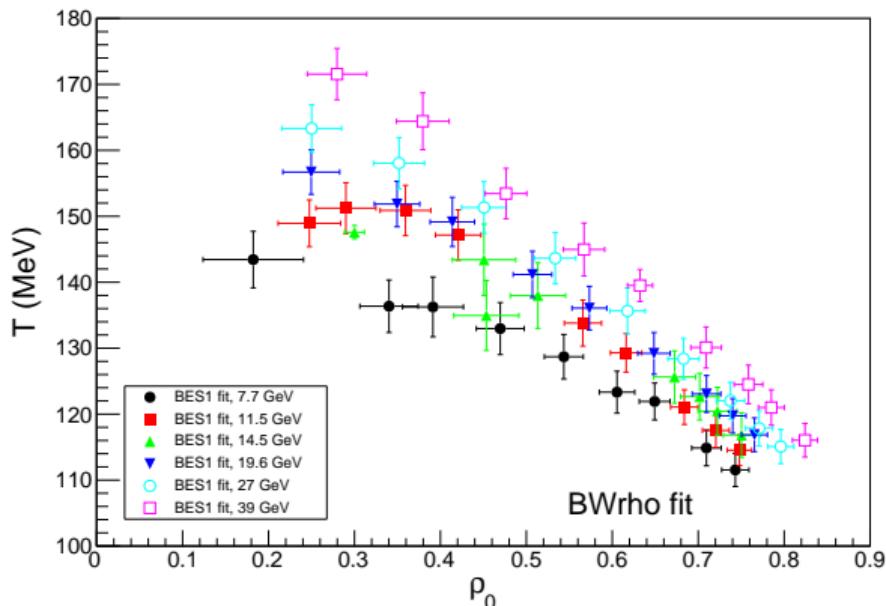
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| 0–5% | 0.743 ± 0.016 | 112 ± 3 | 76/100 |
| 5–10% | 0.710 ± 0.017 | 115 ± 3 | 64/102 |
| 10–20% | 0.649 ± 0.018 | 122 ± 3 | 48/106 |
| 20–30% | 0.605 ± 0.021 | 123 ± 3 | 79/104 |
| 30–40% | 0.544 ± 0.023 | 129 ± 3 | 81/104 |
| 40–50% | 0.470 ± 0.028 | 133 ± 4 | 88/99 |
| 50–60% | 0.391 ± 0.035 | 136 ± 5 | 101/97 |
| 60–70% | 0.340 ± 0.034 | 136 ± 4 | 80/95 |
| 70–80% | 0.182 ± 0.058 | 143 ± 4 | 68/81 |

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Tsallis-3 zeroth term approximation



Blast-wave



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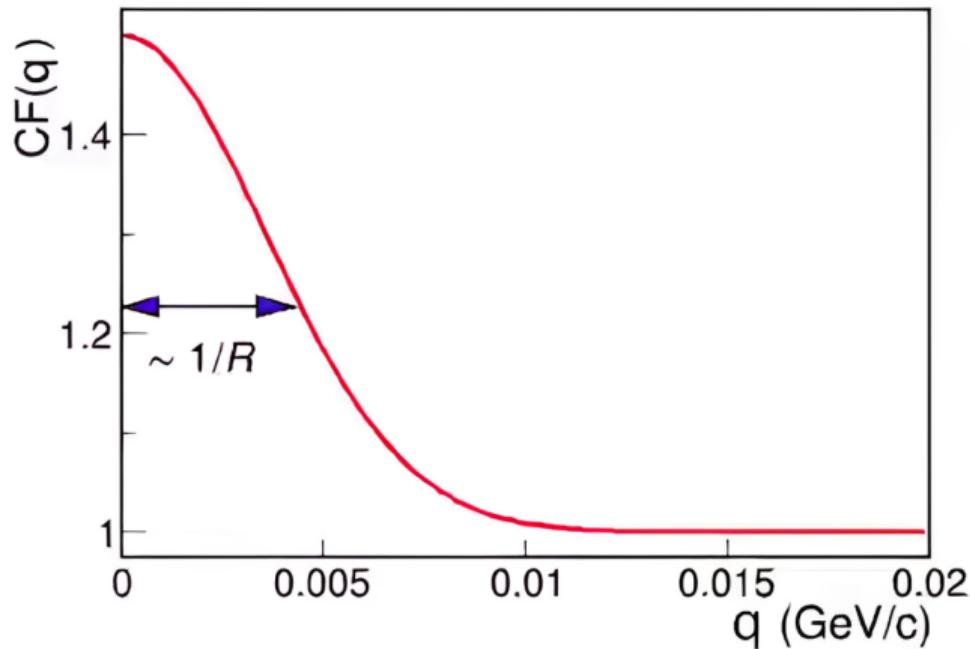
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Introduction to femtoscopy

- Correlation function:

$$C(\vec{q}) = \frac{N(\vec{q})}{D(\vec{q})},$$

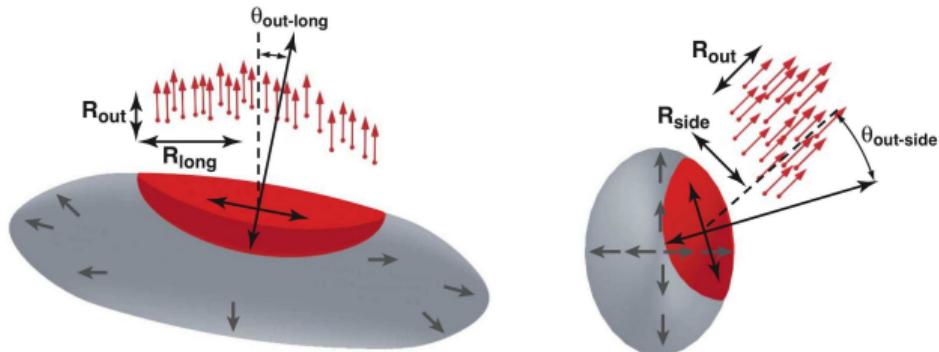
- $N(\vec{q})$ - uses pairs from the same event, contains quantum statistic correlations and interactions,
- $D(\vec{q})$ - uses pairs from different events, contains only background.



Introduction to femtoscopy

- ▶ Bertsch-Pratt out-side-long coordinate system:

- ▶ q_{long} - along the beam direction
- ▶ q_{out} - along the transverse momentum of the pair
- ▶ q_{side} - perpendicular to longitudinal and outward directions



- ▶ Gaussian parameterization (Bowler-Sinyukov):

$$C(\vec{q}) = (1 - \lambda) + K_{\text{Coul}}(q_{\text{inv}}) \lambda \exp(-q_o^2 R_o^2 - q_s^2 R_s^2 - q_l^2 R_l^2 - 2q_o q_s R_{os}^2 - 2q_o q_l R_{ol}^2),$$

- ▶ λ - correlation strength
- ▶ $K_{\text{Coul}}(q_{\text{inv}})$ - Coulomb correction factor
- ▶ $R_{\text{long}} \sim$ source lifetime
- ▶ $R_{\text{out}} \sim$ - geometric size and emission duration
- ▶ $R_{\text{side}} \sim$ - geometric size
- ▶ $R_{os,ol}$ - crossterms

Volume calculation using correlation radii

Parameterizations:

- ▶ m_T scaling: $R_i \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{m_T}}$

- ▶ Power law: $R_i \propto m_T^{-\alpha}$

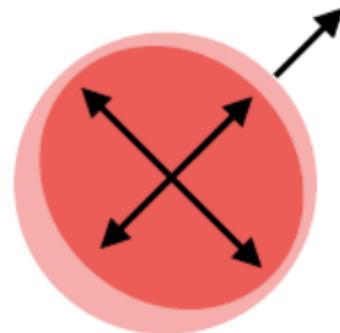
- ▶ Blast-Wave:

$$R_{\text{side}} = \frac{R_0}{\sqrt{1 + \rho_0^2(m_T/T)}},$$

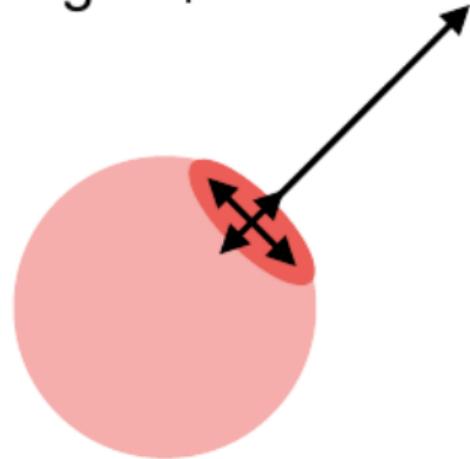
$$R_{\text{long}} = \tau \sqrt{\frac{T}{m_t} \frac{K_2(m_T/T)}{K_2(m_t/T)}}$$

(Phys. Rev. C51:328-338 1995)

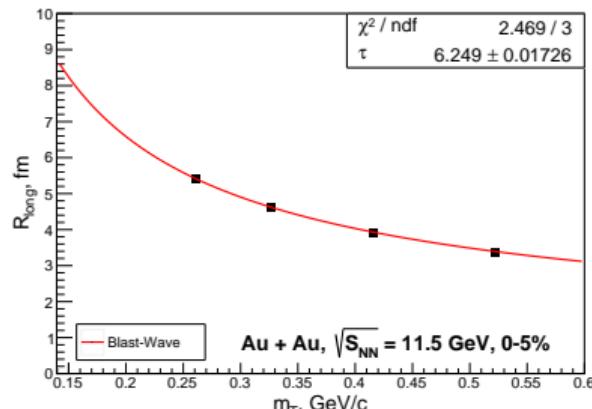
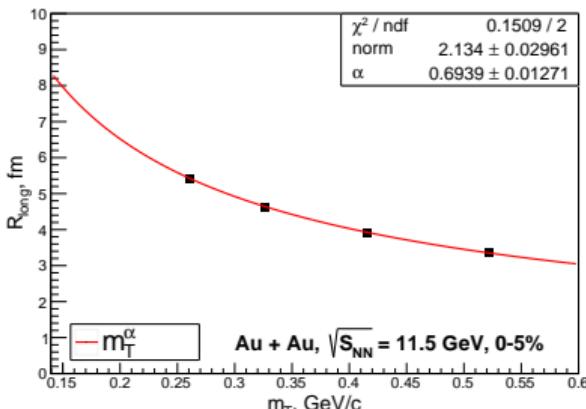
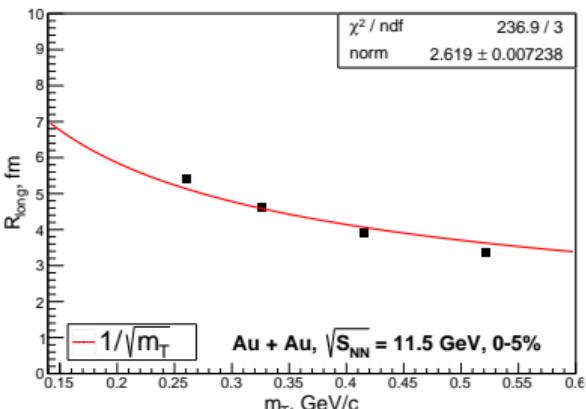
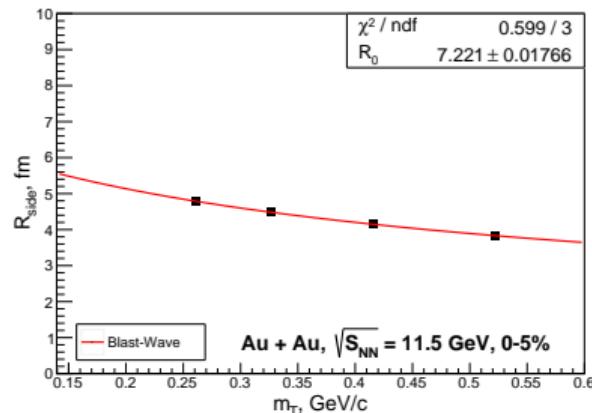
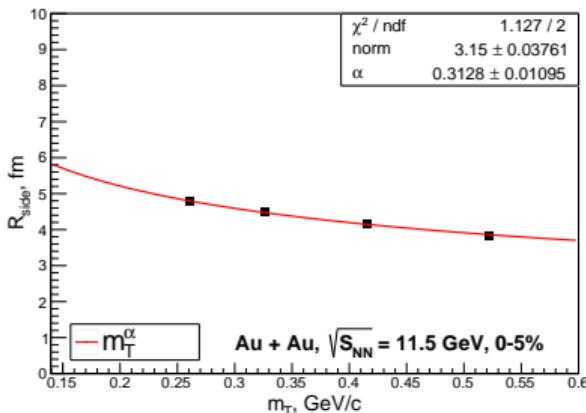
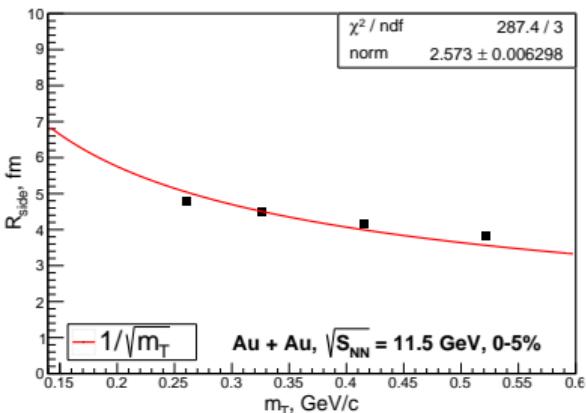
Low k_T



High k_T



Volume calculation using correlation radii



Volume calculation using correlation radii

- ▶ Recalculate gaussian radii to hard ellipsoid distribution:

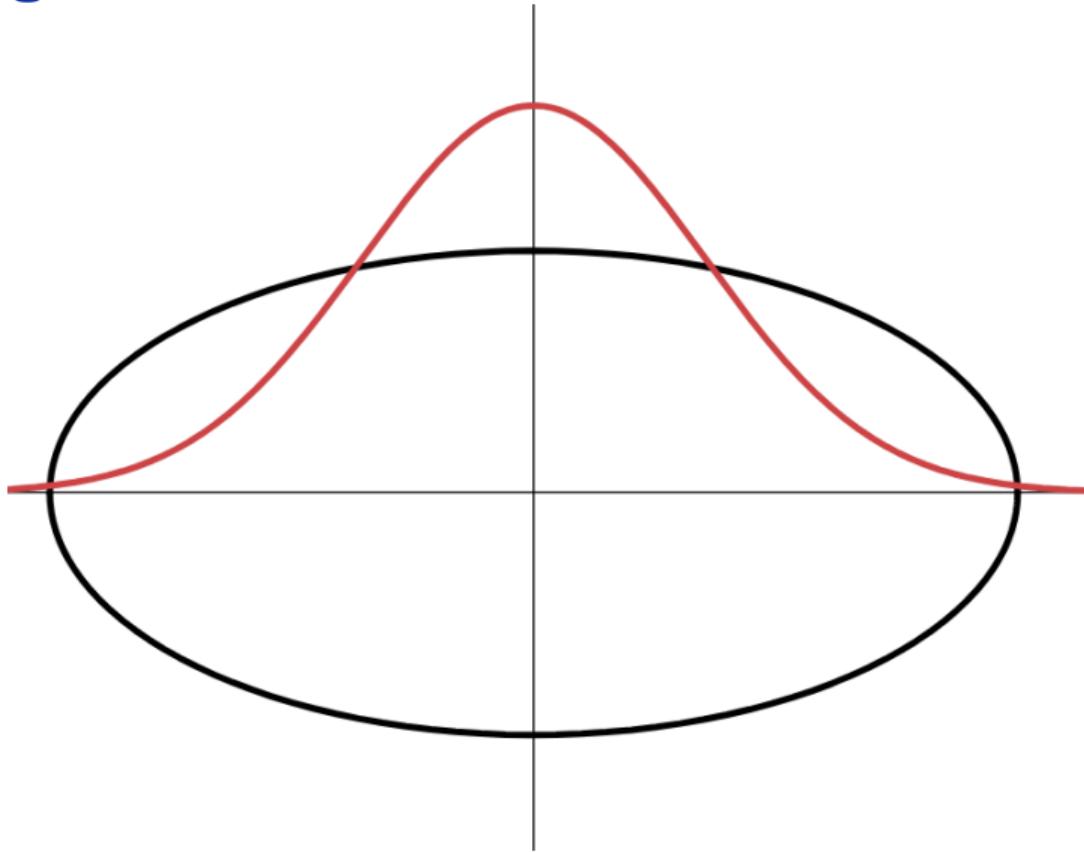
$$\sigma_{\text{Gauss}} = \sigma_{\text{hard}}$$

$$R_{\text{hard}} = \sqrt{5} R_{\text{Gauss}}.$$

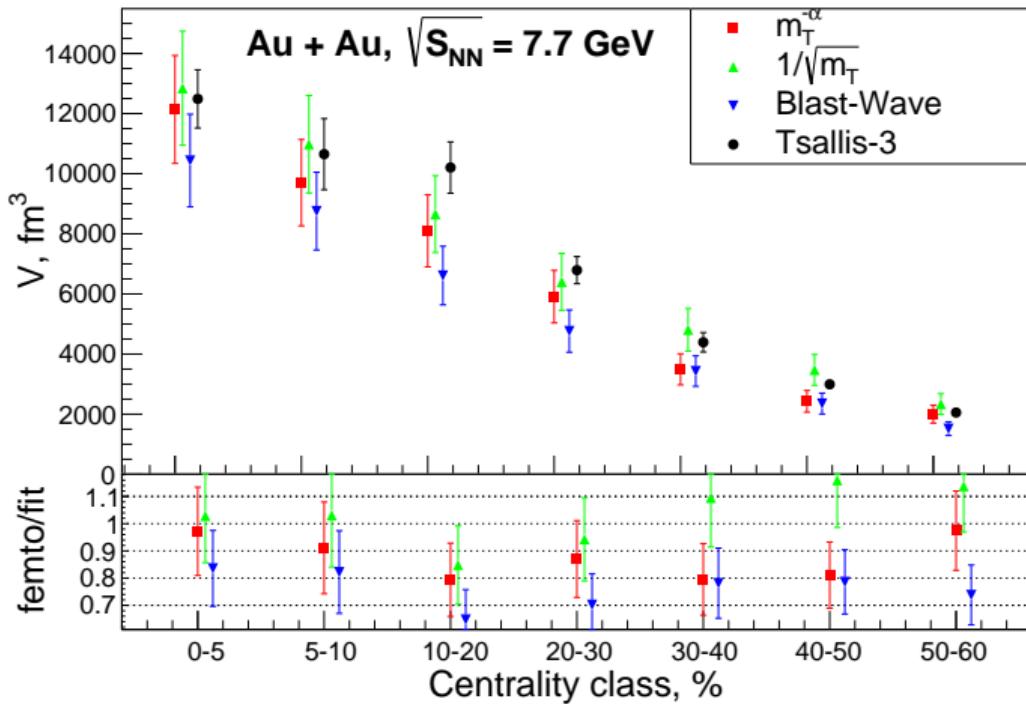
- ▶ Calculate the volume:

$$V = \frac{4}{3}\pi (5)^{\frac{3}{2}} R_{\text{side}}^2 R_{\text{long}}$$

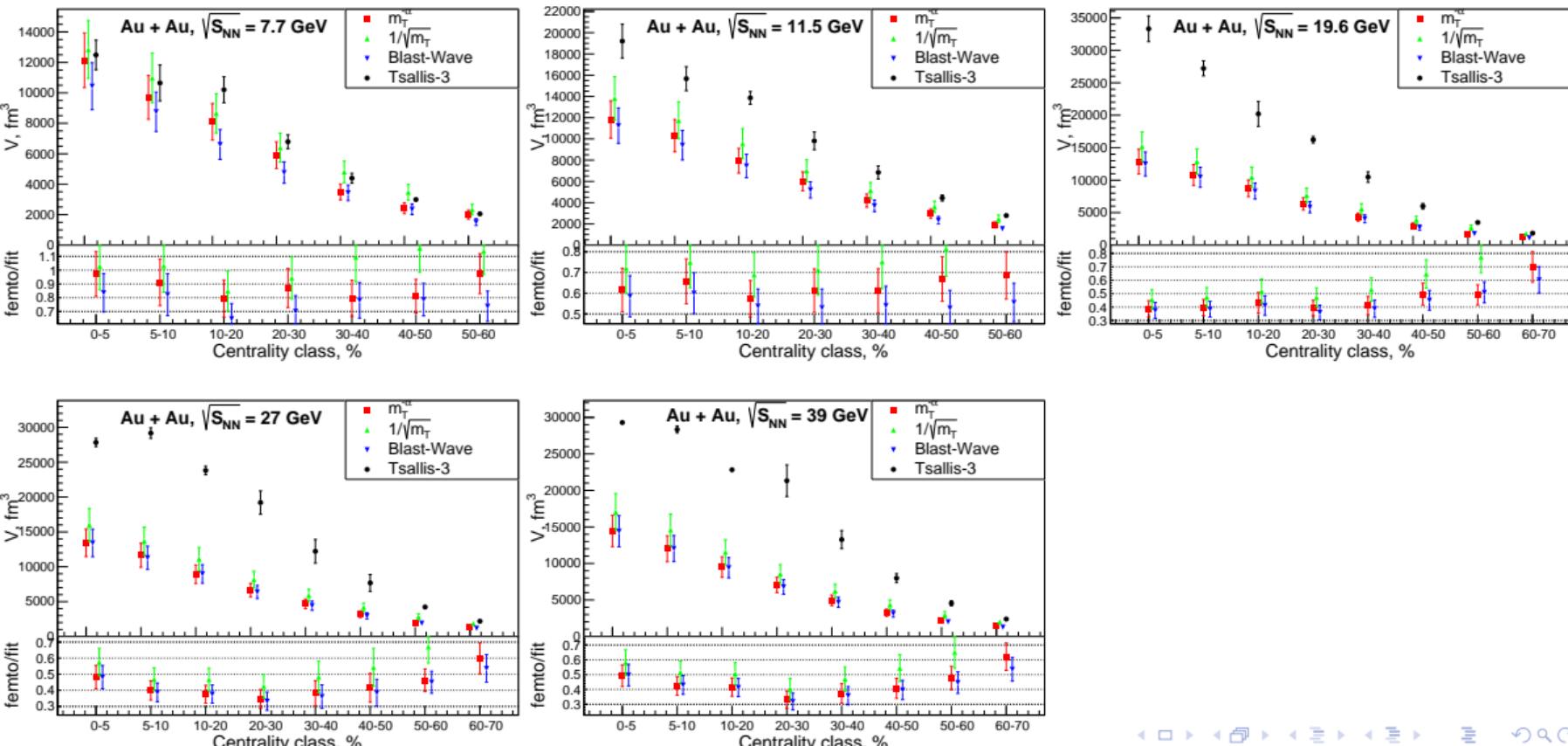
(assumption: $R_{\text{out}} \approx R_{\text{side}}$)



Femtoscopy approach



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Freeze-out cylinder volume calculation

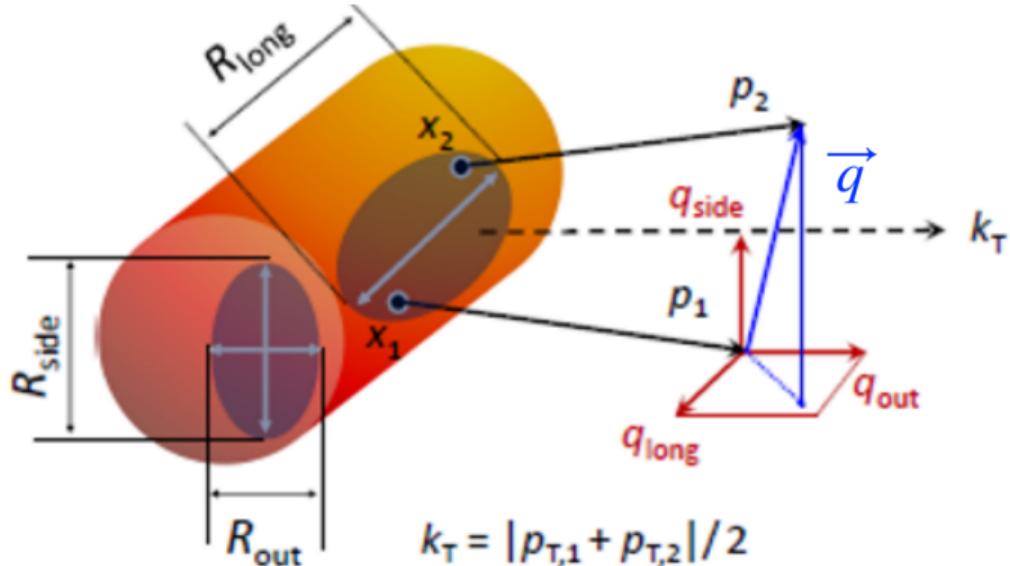
- We can obtain R_{geom} and τ from HBT radii fitting:

$$R_{side} = \frac{R_{geom}}{\sqrt{1 + \rho_0^2(m_T/T)}},$$

$$R_{long} = \tau \sqrt{\frac{T}{m_T} \frac{K_2(m_T/T)}{K_2(m_T/T)}}$$

- Volume of the cylinder:

$$V = \pi R_{geom}^2 \tau 2\eta_{max}$$



$$k_T = |p_{T,1} + p_{T,2}|/2$$

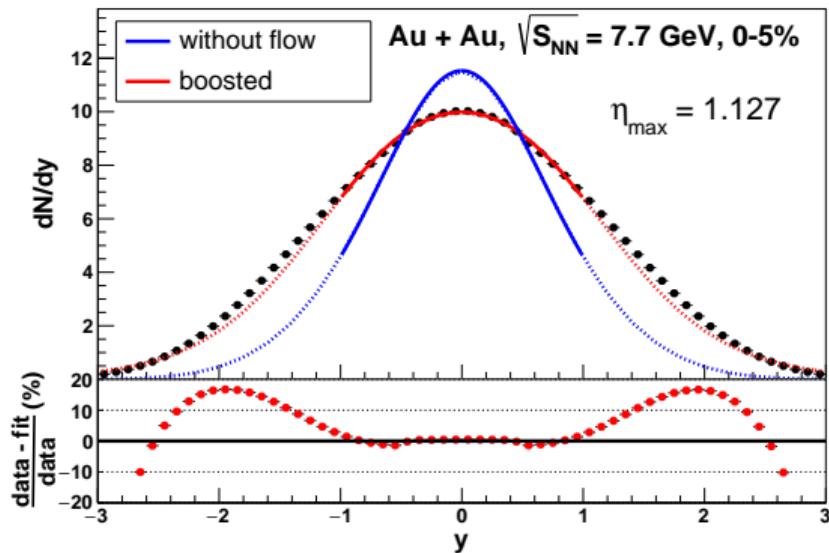
Freeze-out cylinder volume calculation

- ▶ Longitudinal rapidity η_{\max} can be obtained from dN/dy distributions:

$$\frac{dN}{dy m_T dm_T d\phi} = \frac{gV}{(2\pi)^3} E e^{-(E-\mu)/T}$$

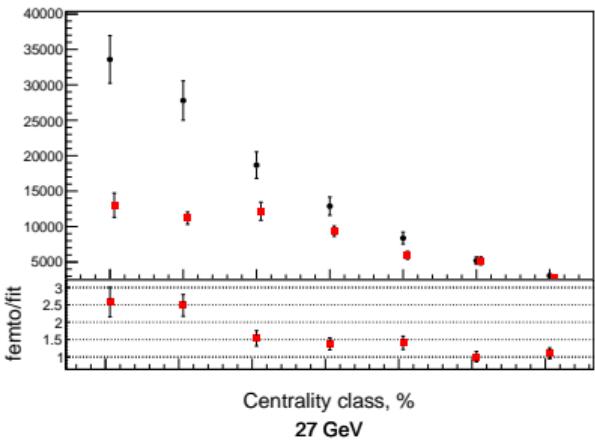
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dN_{th}}{dy} &= \frac{V}{(2\pi)^2} T^3 \left(\frac{m^2}{T^2} + \frac{m}{T} \frac{2}{\cosh y} + \frac{2}{\cosh^2 y} \right) \times \\ &\quad \times \exp\left(-\frac{m}{T} \cosh y\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dN}{dy}(y) = \int_{-\eta_{\max}}^{\eta_{\max}} d\eta \frac{dN_{th}}{dy}(y-\eta), \quad \beta_L = \tanh \eta_{\max}$$

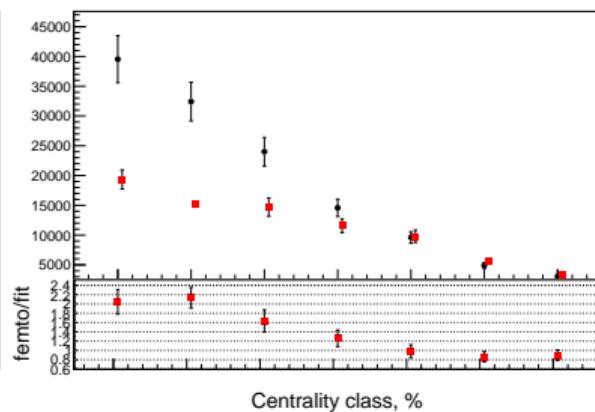


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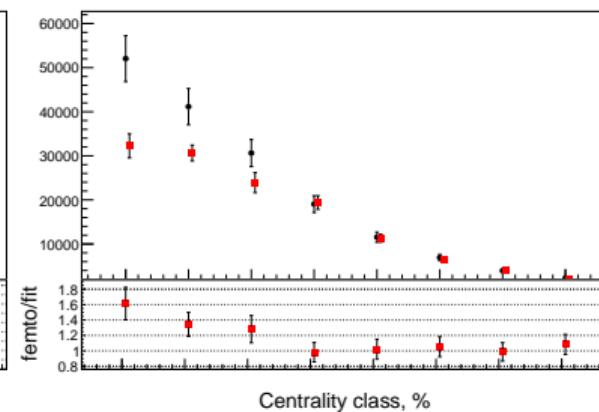
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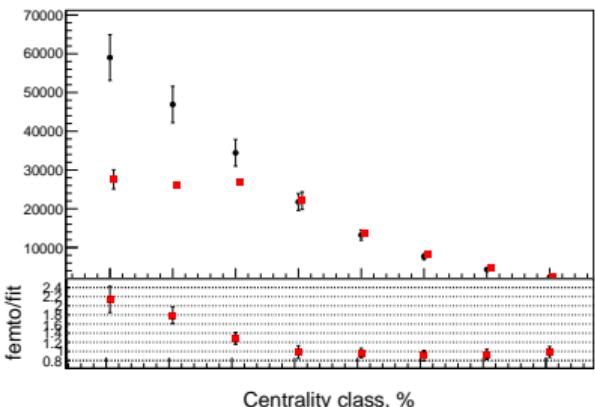
11.5 GeV



19.6 GeV



27 GeV



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Discussions

- ▶ To measure the thermodynamic parameters of the medium at the kinetic freeze-out stage, ideal gas model can be used.
- ▶ The Boltzmann-Gibbs statistics do not provide a satisfactory description of the hard part of transverse momentum distributions.
- ▶ Tsallis statistics can be introduced from the first principles of thermodynamics.
- ▶ The interpretation of the parameter q requires further development.
- ▶ The chemical potential must be correctly taken into account.
- ▶ The Blast-Wave framework allows one to account for both longitudinal and transverse expansion of the system.
- ▶ The volume obtained from spectrum fitting can be compared with the volume obtained from femtoscopy.
- ▶ For a more accurate comparison, it is necessary to obtain the Tsallis Blast-Wave and calculate the HBT radii within this formalism.

Thank you for your attention!