

# Energy scan results with Lévy type femtoscopy at NA61/SHINE

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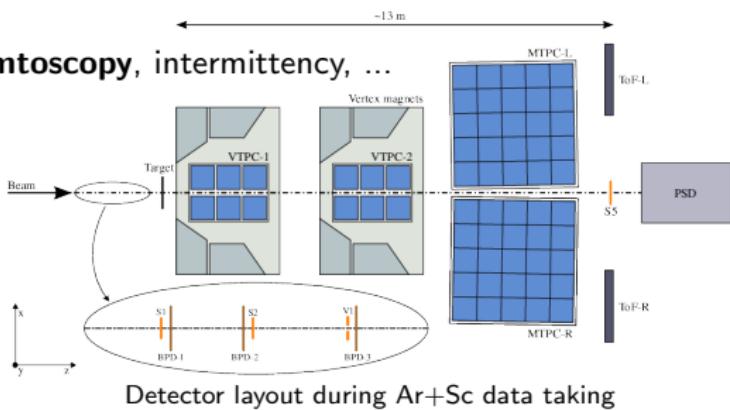
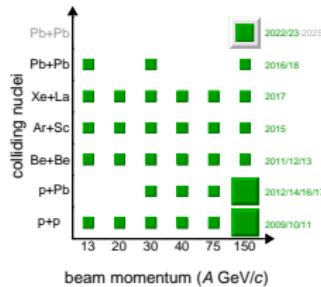
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# The NA61/SHINE Detector

- Located at CERN SPS, North Area
- Fixed target experiment; upgrade during LS2
- Large acceptance hadron spectrometer (TPC)
  - ▶ Covering the full forward hemisphere
  - ▶ Outstanding tracking, down to  $p_T \approx 0$  GeV/c
- Different systems scanned in beam energy
- Strong interaction program:
  - ▶ Search for Critical Point: **femtoscopy**, intermittency, ...



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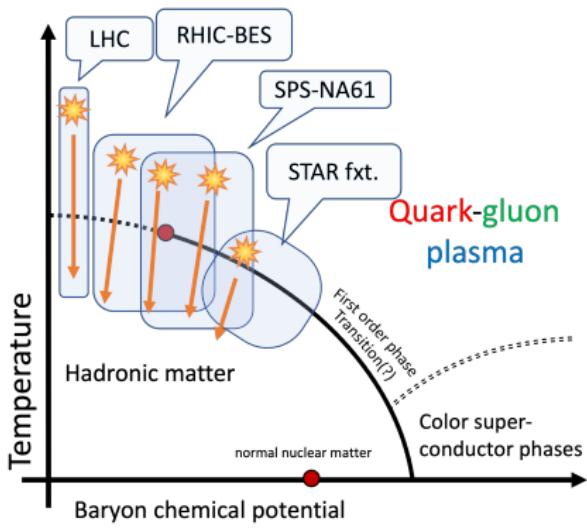
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# Critical Point Search Using Femtoscopy

- System size scan progress at  $150(8)\text{A}$  GeV/c:  $p + p$ ,  ${}^7\text{Be} + {}^9\text{Be}$ ,  ${}^{40}\text{Ar} + {}^{45}\text{Sc}$ ,  ${}^{129}\text{Xe} + {}^{139}\text{La}$  (in progress)  
Be+Be: NA61/SHINE, EPJC 83 (2023) 10, 919; Ar+Sc: Universe 9 (2023) 7, 298;  
arXiv:2406.02242, 2410.13975; this analysis



- Energy scan in Ar+Sc:  
 $150\text{A}$  GeV/c,  $75\text{A}$  GeV/c,  $40\text{A}$  GeV/c  
 $30\text{A}$  GeV/c,  $19\text{A}$  GeV/c,  $13\text{A}$  GeV/c
- Critical Point - fluctuations at all scales
- Power-law in spatial correlations with Critical exponent  $\eta$ , near **Critical Point**?
- QCD universality class  $\leftrightarrow$  3D Ising:
  - Halasz et al., Phys.Rev.D58 (1998) 096007
  - Stephanov et al., Phys.Rev.Lett.81 (1998) 4816
    - 3D Ising:  $\eta = 0.03631(3)$   
El-Showk et al., J.Stat.Phys.157 (2014) 869
    - Random field 3D Ising  $\eta = 0.50(5)$   
Rieger, Phys.Rev.B52 (1995) 6659

# Bose-Einstein Correlations in Heavy-Ion Physics

Tool to measure spatial correlations: Bose-Einstein relative mom. correlations

- R. Hanbury Brown, R. Q. Twiss observed Sirius with two optical telescopes

R. Hanbury Brown and R. Q. Twiss Nature 178 (1956)

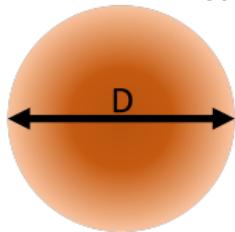
- ▶ Intensity correlations as a function of detector distance
- ▶ Measuring apparent angular diameter of point-like sources

- Goldhaber, Goldhaber, Lee and Pais: applicable in high energy physics: (for identical pions)

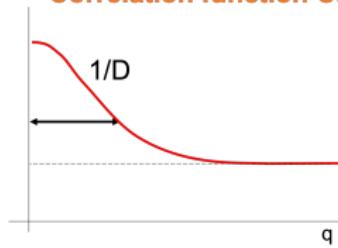
Goldhaber, Goldhaber, Lee and Pais Phys.Rev.Lett.3 (1959) 181

- ▶ Momentum correlation  $C(q)$ ,  $q = |p_1 - p_2|$ , is related to the source  $S(x)$   
 $C(q) \cong 1 + |\tilde{S}(q)|^2$  where  $\tilde{S}(q)$  Fourier transform of  $S(q)$

Source function  $S(r)$



Correlation function  $C(q)$



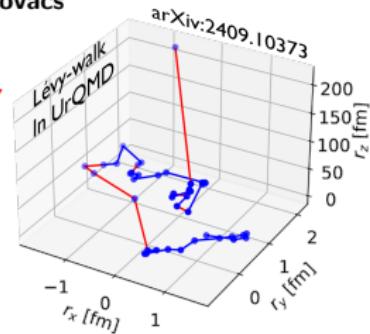
- $S(r)$  frequently assumed to be Gaussian  $\rightarrow$  Gaussian  $C(q)$   
 $\rightarrow$  Exp. data not supporting  $\rightarrow$  CLT not satisfied?

# Lévy Distribution in Heavy-Ion Physics

- Generalized CLT? → Lévy-stable distribution
- Shape of correlation function with Lévy source:  $C(q) = 1 + \lambda \cdot e^{-|qR|^\alpha}$ 
  - ▶  $\alpha = 1$ : Exponential,  $\alpha = 2$ : Gaussian Csörgő, Hegyi, Zajc, Eur.Phys.J.C36 (2004) 67, nucl-th/0310042

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

- From generalization of Gaussian, power-law tail:  $\sim r^{-(d-2+\alpha)}$ 
  - ▶  $\alpha = 1$  Cauchy,  $\alpha = 2$  Gaussian
- Why Lévy source: - detailed in talk of D. Kincses, E. Árpási, L. Kovács
  - ▶ QCD jets; Lévy walk; Critical phenomena; ...?  
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  
Kincses, Stefaniak, Csanád, Entropy 24 3 (2022) 308  
Kórodi, Kincses, Csanád, Phys.Lett.B 847 (2023)  
Kincses, Nagy, Csanád, arXiv:2409.10373  
Csörgő, Hegyi, Novák, Zajc, AIP Conf.Proc.828 (2006) 525-532

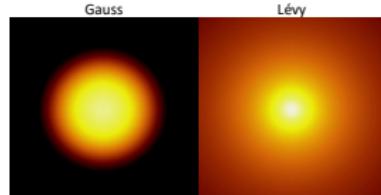


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- Lévy distribution leads to power-law spatial correlation
- Spatial correlation at the Critical Point:  $\sim r^{-(d-2+\eta)}$ 
  - ▶ Lévy-exponent  $\alpha$  identical to correlation exponent  $\eta$

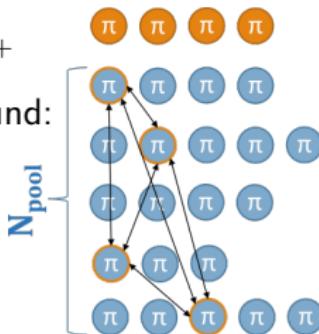


# Correlation Function Measurement Details

- Be+Be, 0-20%  $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 16.8 \text{ GeV}$
- Ar+Sc, 0-10%  $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 16.8, 11.9, 8.8, 7.7, 6.2, 5.3 \text{ GeV}$
- Event and track cuts (centrality, vertex, rapidity, ...)
- Momentum dependent pair cut
- Particle Identification via  $dE/dx$  method to select  $\pi^-$ ,  $\pi^+$

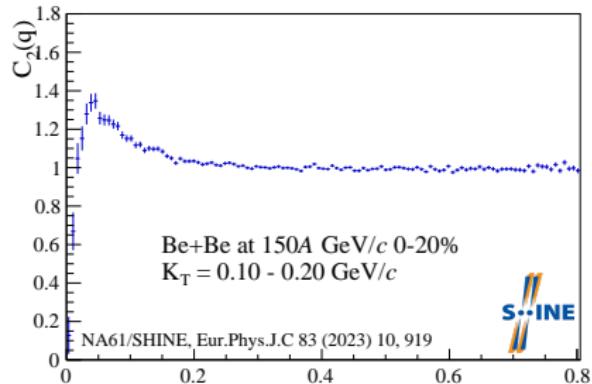
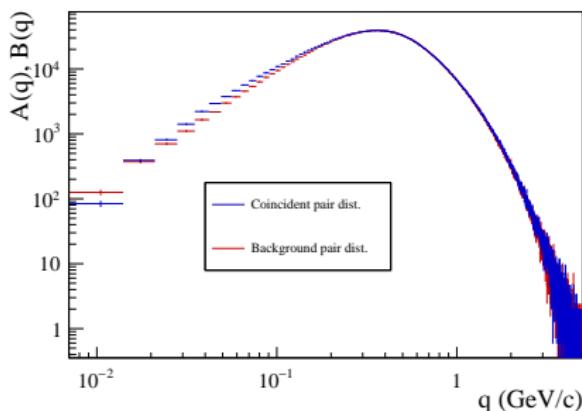
Correlation function measurement via mixed event background:

- $A(q)$  - Pairs from same event
  - $B(q)$  - Pairs from mixed events
  - $C(q)$  - Correlation function,  $C(q) = A(q)/B(q)$
- Correlation function  $q_{\text{LCMS}}$  1D variable
  - LCMS: Longitudinally CoMoving System
  - $m_T \equiv \sqrt{m^2 + (K_T/c)^2}$ ;  $K = (p_1 + p_2)/2$ ;  $K_T = \sqrt{K_x^2 + K_y^2}$
  - No.  $m_T$  bins: **8** - Ar+Sc 150A GeV/c, **7** - Ar+Sc 75A GeV/c, 40A GeV/c,  
**6** - Ar+Sc 30A GeV/c  
**4** - Ar+Sc 19A GeV/c, 13A GeV/c, Be+Be 150A GeV/c



# Bose–Einstein Correlation Function

- $C_2(q)$ : B–E peak and Coulomb hole, at low  $q$  values:



- Like charged pairs: Coulomb interaction  $\rightarrow$  Coulomb correction (CC)
  - ▶ Calc: numerical integral possible - detailed in talk of M. Nagy  
Nagy, Purzsa, Csanad, Kincses, Eur.Phys.J.C 83 (2023) 11, 1015
  - ▶ Parametrization used before Csanad, Lokos, Nagy, Phys.Part.Nucl. 51 (2020) 238
- Meas.: LCMS, CC.: PCMS (pair center of mass) negligible, BUT 1D spher. symm. source LCMS not spherical PCMS Kurygis, Kincses, Nagy, Csanad, Universe 2023, 9(7), 328

$$R \rightarrow R_{\text{PCMS}} = \sqrt{\frac{1 - \frac{2}{3}\beta_T^2}{1 - \beta_T^2}} \cdot R_{\text{LCMS}}, q_{\text{inv}} \approx \sqrt{1 - \beta^{2/3}} \cdot q_{\text{LCMS}}, \beta_T = \frac{K_T}{m_T}$$

# Parameters of Lévy-source

- $R$  Lévy-scale parameter:

- ▶ Length of homogeneity
- ▶ From simple hydro calc.:

$$R_{\text{HBT}} = R / \sqrt{1 + (m_T/T_0) \cdot u_T^2}$$

- $\lambda$  correlation strength:

- ▶ Core-halo ratio:

$$\lambda = \left( \frac{N_{\text{core}}}{N_{\text{core}} + N_{\text{halo}}} \right)^2$$

Csörgő, Lörstad, Zimányi, Z.Phys.C71 (1996)

Bolz et al, Phys.Rev.D47 (1993) 3860-3870

- ▶ Core: primordial pions
- ▶ Halo: pions from long-lived resonances

- $\alpha$  Lévy-stability index

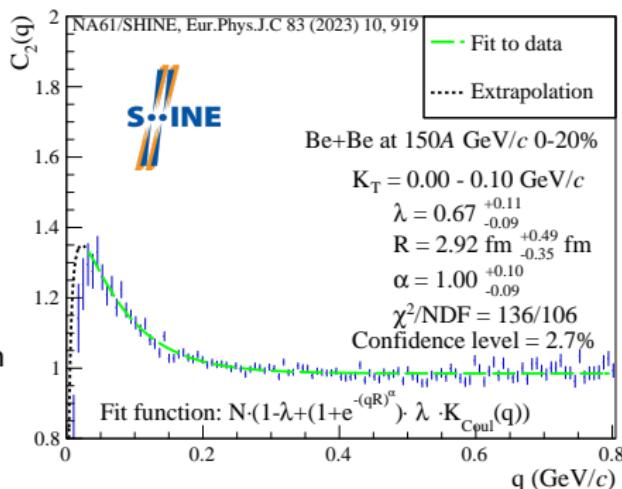
- ▶  $\alpha = 2$ : Gauss shape, simple hydro
- ▶  $\alpha < 2$ : Generalized central limit theorem
- ▶  $\alpha = 0.5$ : Conjectured value at CP

## Bowler-Sinyukov

$$C(q) = 1 - \lambda + (1 + e^{-|qR|^\alpha}) \cdot \lambda \cdot K(q; \alpha, R)$$

$K(q; \alpha, R)$  calculated numerically: see talk of M. Nagy

Yu. Sinyukov et al., Phys.Lett.B432 (1998) 248,  
M.G. Bowler, Phys.Lett.B270 (1991) 69



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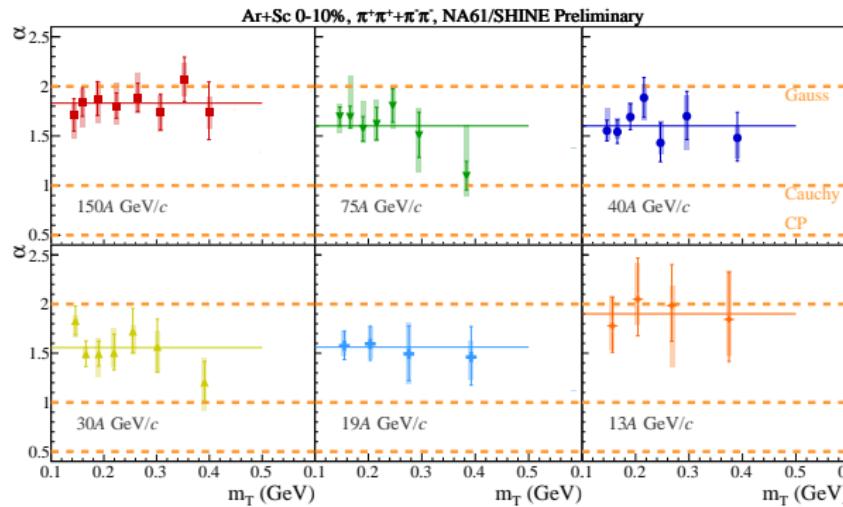
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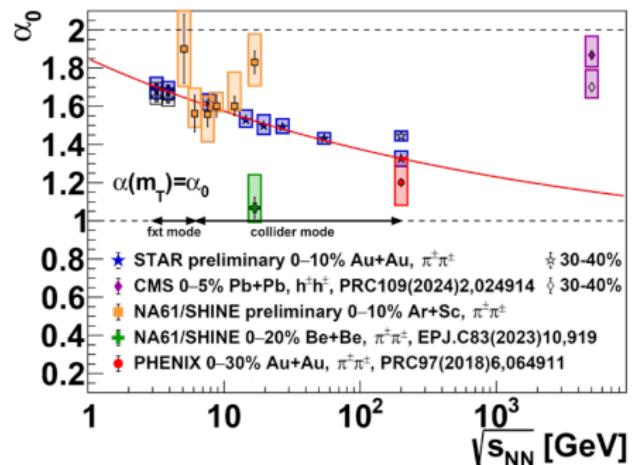
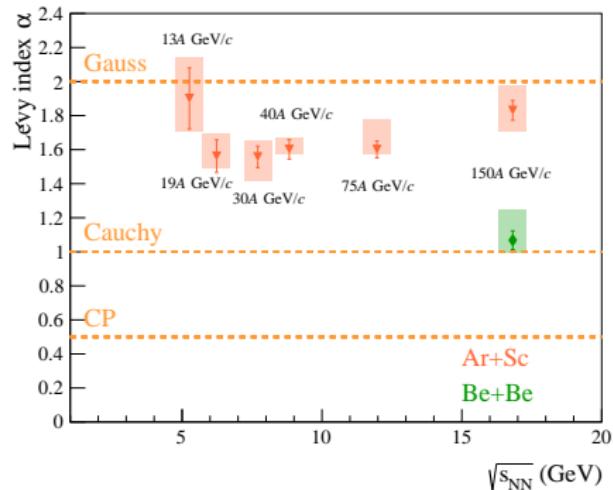
# Lévy-stability index $\alpha$

- Shape of spatial correlation
- Compatible with Lévy assumption ( $\alpha < 2$ ),
  - ▶ Ar+Sc: far from Cauchy, Decreases from “close to Gaussian” far from CP ( $\alpha = 0.5$ )

Constant fit to  $\alpha$  unravels interesting trend



# Lévy-stability index $\alpha$



Min. around  $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 6\text{-}8$  GeV?  
Slightly nonmonotonic trend?

Eur.Phys.J.C 83 (2023) 10, 919  
Universe 2023, Volume 9, Issue 7, 298;  
arXiv:2406.02242; arXiv:2410.13975

- New PHENIX results:  
see talk of **S. Lökö**  
 $\alpha = 1.2\text{-}1.6$  Au+Au,  $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 200$  GeV  
 $p_T > 0.2$  GeV/c arXiv:2407.08586

# Lévy-scale parameter $R$ vs. $m_T$

- From hydro: decrease with  $m_T$ :  $R \approx 1/\sqrt{m_T}$  (For non power-law tail)

Csörgő, Lörstad, Phys.Rev.C54 (1996) 1390-1403

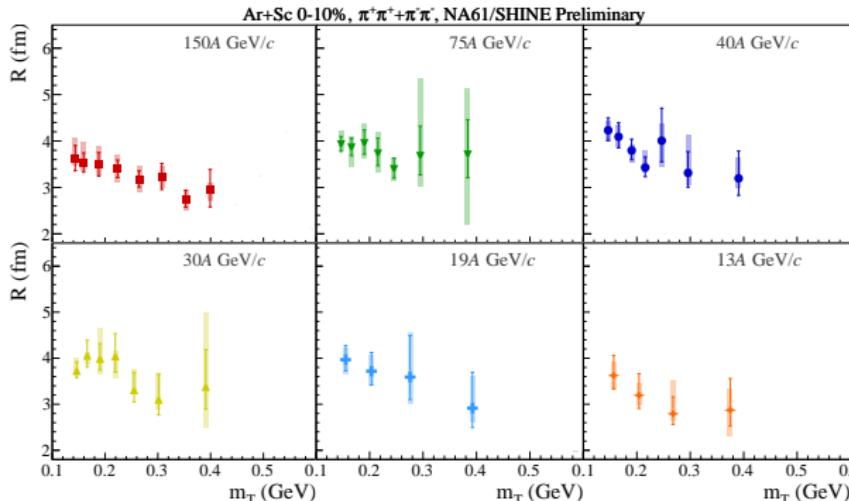
S. V. Akkelin and Yu. M. Sinyukov, Phys.Lett.B356 (1995) 525-530

S. Chapman, P. Scotto and U. W. Heinz, Phys.Rev.Lett.74 (1995) 4400-4403

Visible  $m_T$  dependence → sign of collective flow

$R \approx 1/\sqrt{m_T}$  → interesting for  $\alpha < 2$

BUT: when does Lévy shape appear (after hydro phase?) &  
why does it follow hydro prediction?

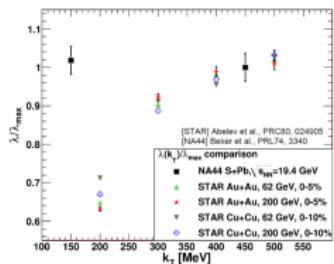
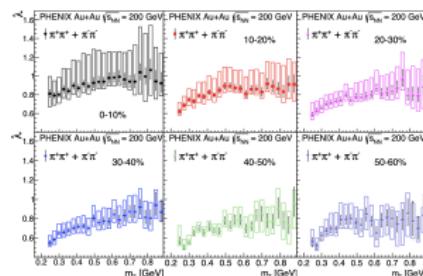
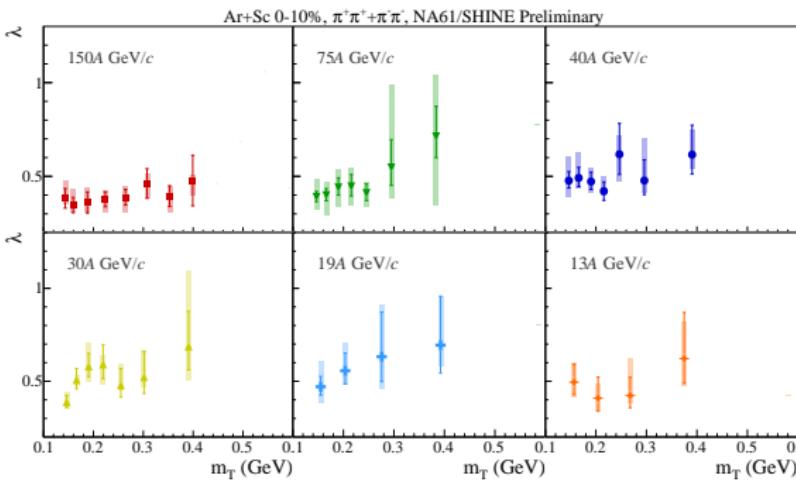


# Correlation Strength $\lambda$

- Describes core-halo ratio
- Compared to RHIC results:
  - Low  $m_T$  values show no decrease (sim. to other SPS results)
  - Halo component increases at RHIC (e.g. In-medium mass mod.)  
S. E. Vance et al, Phys.Rev.Lett.81 (1998) 2205-2208  
T. Csörgő et al, Phys.Rev.Lett.105 (2010) 182301  
Abdulameer, N. J. and others for PHENIX Collaboration, arXiv:2407.08586

more details - talk of **S. Lökö**

- $\lambda$  values show no clear  $m_T$  dependence



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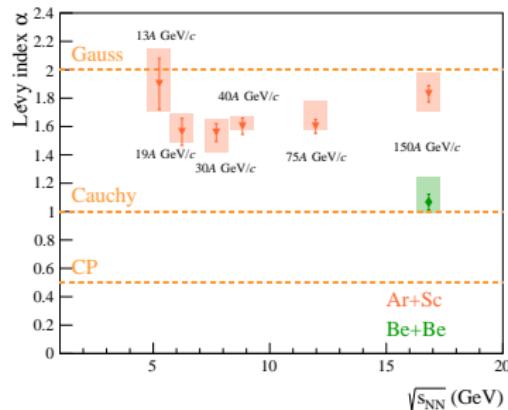
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# Summary

- NA61/SHINE Lévy HBT analysis
  - ▶  ${}^7\text{Be} + {}^9\text{Be}$  collisions, 0-20% centrality at  $150A \text{ GeV}/c$  beam momentum
  - ▶  ${}^{40}\text{Ar} + {}^{45}\text{Sc}$  collisions, 0-10% centrality at  $150A, 75A, 40A, 30A, 19A, 13A \text{ GeV}/c$  beam momentum
- Using  $\pi^+\pi^+ + \pi^-\pi^-$
- Fit using symmetric Lévy source
- Parameter  $m_T$  dependence:
  - ▶  $\alpha(m_T)$ :
    - ★ Be+Be  $\approx 1$
    - ★ Ar+Sc  $\approx 1.6 - 1.8$
  - ▶  $R(m_T)$ :  $m_T$  dependence - transverse flow
  - ▶  $\lambda(m_T)$ : no dependence, no hole
  - ▶ Minimum in  $\langle \alpha \rangle$  around 6-8 GeV
- $\alpha < 2 \rightarrow$  Symmetric Lévy source good assumption

Ongoing:

- Analysis with  ${}^{129}\text{Xe} + {}^{139}\text{La}$



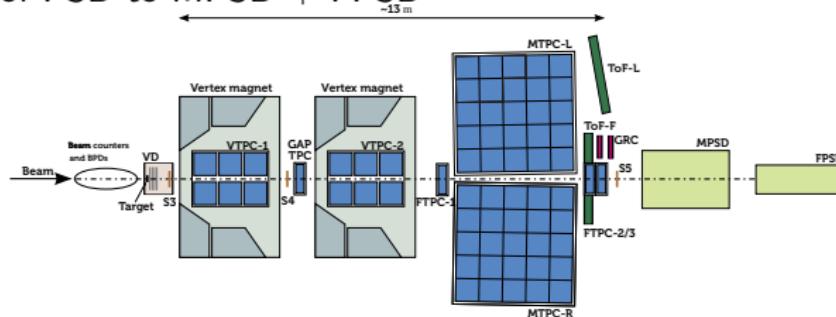
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# Backup

# The NA61/SHINE Detector Post LS2

- Upgrade of DAQ + new trigger system (TDAQ)
  - ▶ Detector readouts replaced → data taking rate up by 20x
  - ▶ TPCs - ALICE; other detectors - DRS4
- Construction of:
  - ▶ Vertex Detector - open-charm measurements
  - ▶ ToF-F wall
  - ▶ Multi-gap Resistive Plate Chamber based ToF-L (ToF-R under constr.)
  - ▶ Beam Position Detector
  - ▶ Geometry Reference Chamber - drift velocity measurements
- Upgrade of PSD to MPSD + FPSD



# Stable distributions

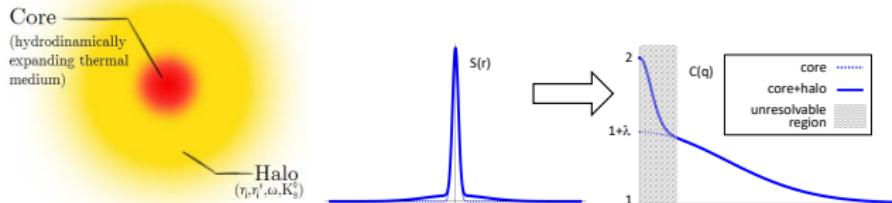
- If a lin. comb. of two indep. random variables with this distribution has the same distribution
- $f(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(q) e^{-ixq} dq$ , where the characteristic func.:
- $\varphi(q; \alpha, \beta, R, \mu) = \exp(iq\mu - |Rq|^\alpha(1 - \beta \operatorname{sgn}(q)\Phi))$ 
  - $\alpha$ : stability index
  - $\beta$ : skewness, distribution symmetric if  $= 0$
  - $R$ : scale parameter
  - $\mu$ : location parameter, if  $\beta = 0 \rightarrow$  median
- $$\Phi = \begin{cases} \tan(\frac{\pi\alpha}{2}), & \alpha \neq 1 \\ -\frac{2}{\pi} \log |t|, & \alpha = 1 \end{cases}$$
- Sum of two random variables from a stable distribution gives something with the same values of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  (with possibly different values of  $\mu$  and  $R$ ...)
- $\beta = 0 \rightarrow$  Lévy symmetric alpha-stable distribution

# Core-Halo Model

- Hydrodynamically increasing core  $\rightarrow$  pion emission
- Results in two component source:  $S(x) = S_M(x) + S_G(x)$
- Core  $\cong$  10 fm size, halo( $\omega, \eta \dots$ )  $>$  50 fm size
- Halo not seen due to detector resolution
- Real  $q \rightarrow 0$ , at  $C(q=0) = 2$
- Results show  $C(q \rightarrow 0) = 1 + \lambda$ , where  $\lambda = \left( \frac{N_m}{N_g + N_m} \right)^2$

Bolz et al, Phys.Rev.D47 (1993) 3860-3870

Csörgő, Lörstad, Zimányi, Z.Phys.C71 (1996) 491-497



# Projectile Spectator Detector

- Centrality measurement with PSD
- Located on beam axis
- measures forward energy ( $E_F$ ) from spectators
- Intervals in  $E_F$  allows to select centrality classes

