# Correlation femtoscopy at the STAR experiment



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## Motivation

- Understanding of the space-time development of heavy-ion collision
- Study of non Gaussian source in p-Au collision

## Femtoscopy

• Study space-time extents of the source at the thermal freeze-out



Two-particle correlation function is sensitive to the separation distribution of the source and interaction at the thermal freeze-out.

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## RHIC-STAR Run 15 p-Au at 200 GeV

### **STAR Detector**





## Particle selection

Momentum vs Energy Loss 10 <mark>≻10<sup>−6</sup></mark> m<sup>2</sup> cut ×10<sup>3</sup> dE/dx (a.u.) Counts 9 5000 4000 6 3000 5 4 2000 3 2 1000 0 0.035 0.005 0.01 0.03 0.015 0.025 0.02 0.4 0.6 0.8 0.2 1.2 1.6 1.8 1.4 2 1 m<sup>2</sup> [GeV<sup>2</sup>/c<sup>4</sup>] P (GeV/c)

particle momentum: 0,15 $transverse particle momentum: <math>0,15 < p_T < 1,5 \ GeV/c$ transverse pair momentum:  $0 < k_T < 1,5 \ GeV/c$ ToF mass:  $0,005 < m^2 < 0,035 \ GeV^2/c^4$ TPC Only:  $|N_{\sigma,K}| > 2$ ,  $|N_{\sigma,pi}| < 2$ ,  $|N_{\sigma,p}| > 2$ ,  $|N_{\sigma,e}| > 2$ TPC + ToF:  $|N_{\sigma,pi}| < 2$ pseudorapidity range:  $|\eta| < 1$ 

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#### 1-D Correlation functions for p+Au at 200 GeV (Pions)

#### 1-D Correlation functions for Cu+Cu at 200 GeV (Pions)



#### 1-D Correlation functions for p+Au at 200 GeV (Pions)

1-D Correlation functions for p+Au at 200 GeV (Pions)







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## Summary

- Acquaintance with the heavy-ion collisions and femtoscopy
- The first femtoscopy measurement for p-Au collisions at RHIC
- Non Gaussian source for p-Au collisions
- Better description of data with Levy function
- Dependence of HBT radii and lambdas on transverse pair momentum ( $k_T$ ) a multiplicity

## Future plans

- Improvement of fits
- Comparison with different collisions (Au-Au and d-Au) which were measured at the same detector and conditions
- Comparing with models (EPOS,...)

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bool question;
while(true)
   question = audience.ask_question();
   If(question == true)
       presenter.give_response();
       continue;
   else
       presenter.thanks();
       break;
```