



Studying the interaction between charm and light-flavor hadrons

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Strong interaction physics of heavy flavors | Hirschegg, Austria



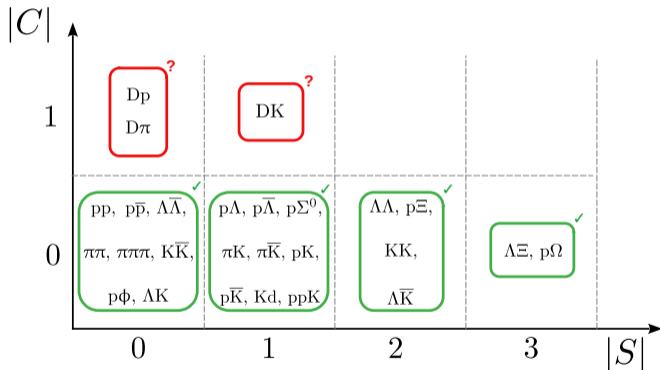
The study of hadron-hadron interactions

Light sector:

- ▶ some interactions are measured
- ▶ more challenging for large $|S|$

Charm sector: no measurement at all

- ▶ charm nuclei not found
- ▶ scattering experiments not feasible

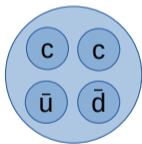


The nature of exotic charm states

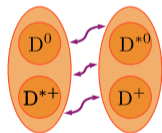
What is the nature of the exotic charm states?

Several non-conventional hadrons were discovered:

- ▶ slightly below the DD^* thresholds
→ molecule candidates
- ▶ quark bags are also possible

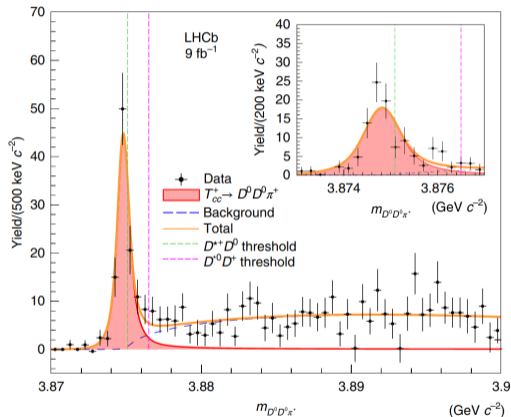


T_{cc}^+ : quark bag



or... molecular state?

Knowledge of the D meson interactions is required



T_{cc}^+ measurement \rightsquigarrow LHCb Coll, Nat. Com. 13 3351

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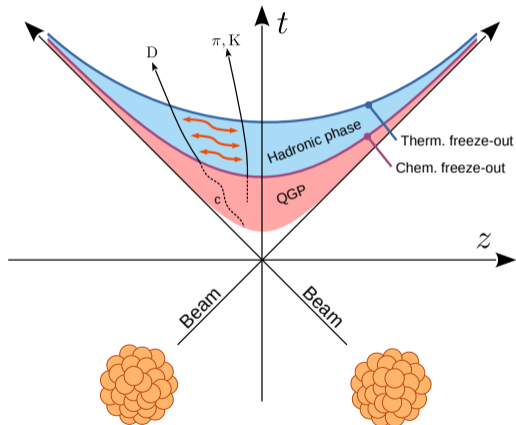
- ▶ quark–gluon plasma (QGP) formation
- ▶ system expansion and chemical freeze-out
- ▶ hadron gas

Charm hadrons are ideal QGP probes:

- ▶ experience the evolution of the system

D meson rescattering in the hadronic phase:

- ▶ interactions with light flavors are unknown
- ▶ relies on theory



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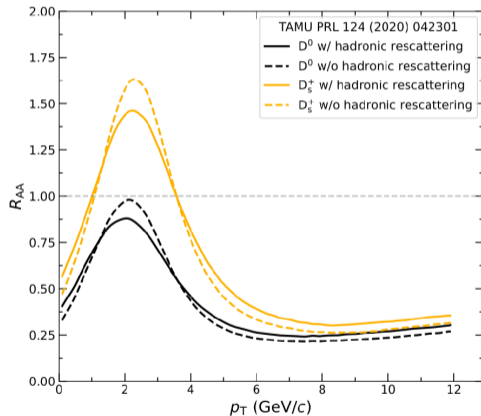
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Nuclear modification factor

$$R_{AA} = \frac{1}{\langle N_{\text{coll}} \rangle} \frac{dN_{AA}/dp_T}{dN_{pp}/dp_T}$$

- ▶ sensitive to the energy loss of the c quark
- ▶ modified by the rescattering

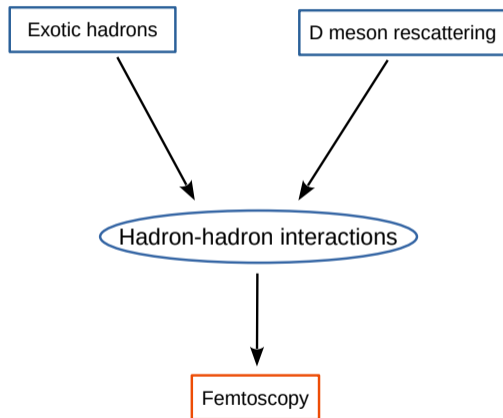


↪ M. He and R. Rapp, PRL 124 042301

Femtoscopia as a tool to access the hadron-hadron interactions

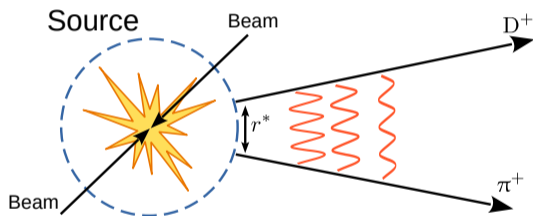
Charm-hadron interactions \rightarrow femtoscopy

- ▶ the only tool to access such systems
- ▶ scattering experiments not possible
- ▶ charm nuclei not found



Femtoscscopy as a tool to access the hadron-hadron interactions

Measurements performed at particle colliders (LHC)
Study the interaction at the femtometer scale



Goal: measure the interactions of D mesons with light hadrons using femtoscopy

Already employed in several works:

- ▶ $pp, p\Lambda, \Lambda\Lambda$: \rightsquigarrow [ALICE Coll., PRC 99 \(2019\) 2, 024001](#)
- ▶ $p\bar{p}, p\bar{\Lambda}, \Lambda\bar{\Lambda}$: \rightsquigarrow [ALICE Coll., PLB 829 \(2022\) 137060](#)
- ▶ $ppp, pp\Lambda$: \rightsquigarrow [ALICE Coll., EPJA 59 \(2023\) 7, 145](#)
- ▶ $p\rho K$: \rightsquigarrow [ALICE Coll., EPJA 59 \(2023\) 12, 298](#)
- ▶ $p\phi$: \rightsquigarrow [ALICE Coll., PRL 127 \(2021\) 17, 172301](#)
- ▶ ΛK : \rightsquigarrow [ALICE Coll., PLB 845 \(2023\) 138145](#)
- ▶ $p\Sigma^0$: \rightsquigarrow [ALICE Coll., PLB 805 \(2020\) 135419](#)
- ▶ pK : \rightsquigarrow [ALICE Coll., PRL 124 \(2020\) 9, 092301](#)
- ▶ $p\Omega$: \rightsquigarrow [Nature 588 \(2020\) 232-238](#)
- ▶ $\Lambda\Xi$: \rightsquigarrow [PLB 844 \(2023\) 137223](#)
- ▶ $p\Xi$: \rightsquigarrow [ALICE Coll., PRL 123 \(2019\) 11, 112002](#)

The femtoscopy method

A correlation technique to access the strong interactions between hadrons

Observables:

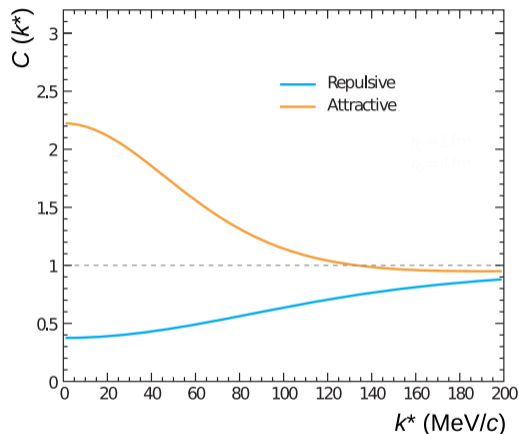
- ▶ relative momentum $k^* = |\mathbf{p}_A^* - \mathbf{p}_B^*|/2$
- ▶ correlation function $C(k^*)$

↪ M. A. Lisa and S. Pratt *et al.*, ARNPS 55 357402

$$C(k^*) = \underbrace{\frac{N_{\text{same}}(k^*)}{N_{\text{mixed}}(k^*)}}_{\text{experiment}} = \underbrace{\int d\mathbf{r}^* S(\mathbf{r}^*) |\Psi(\mathbf{r}^*, \mathbf{k}^*)|^2}_{\text{theory}}$$

Shape of the correlation function → interaction:

- ▶ qualitatively: attractive/repulsive
- ▶ quantitatively: scattering parameters

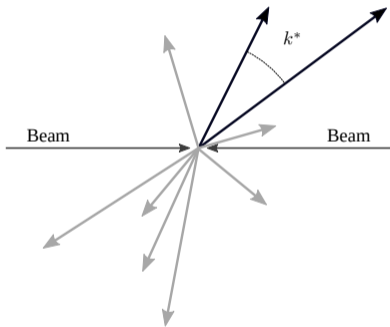


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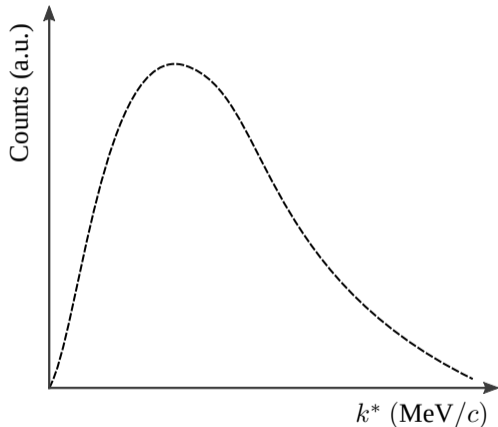
The same-event distribution

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- ▶ the relative momentum in the pair rest-frame



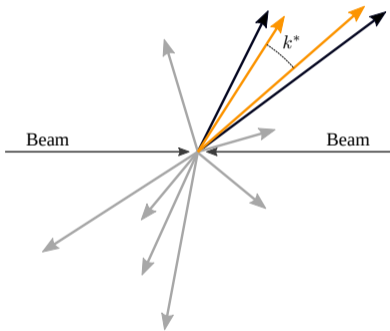
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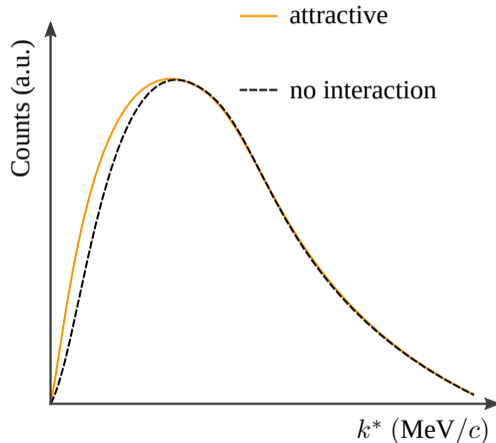
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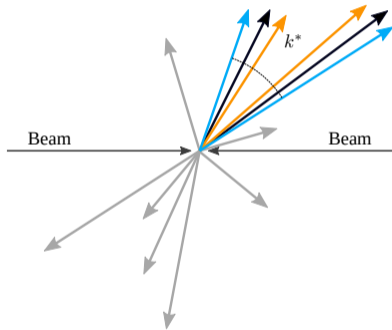
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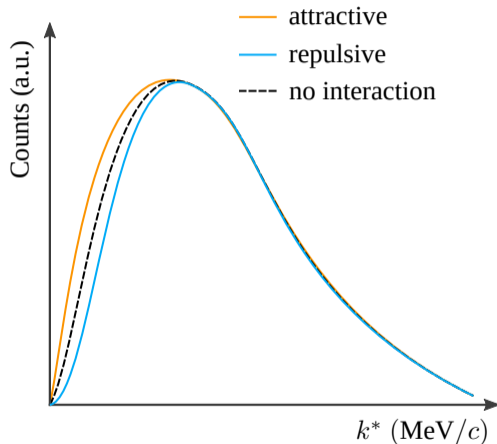
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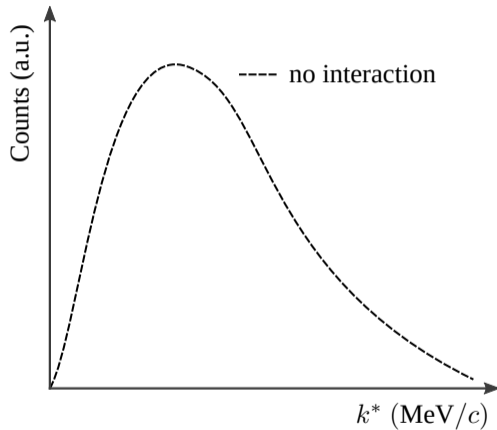
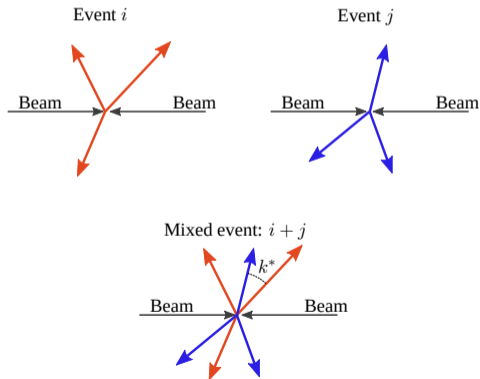
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The mixed-event distribution

Select the particles from different events:

- ▶ the interaction is removed
- ▶ underlying phase space is described



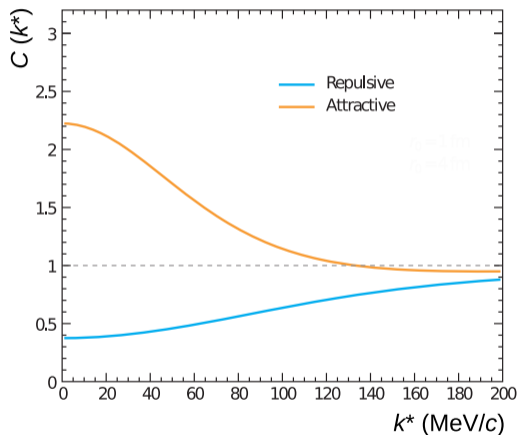
The shape of the correlation function

In the experiment:

- ▶ ratio of same- and mixed-event distributions

Shape of the correlation function \rightarrow interaction:

$$C(k^*) = \frac{N_{\text{same}}(k^*)}{N_{\text{mixed}}(k^*)} = \begin{cases} > 1 & \text{attraction} \\ < 1 & \text{repulsion} \end{cases}$$



\rightsquigarrow [Ann. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci. 71 \(2021\) 377-402](#)

The source function

Theoretical definition:

$$C(k^*) = \int d\mathbf{r}^* S(\mathbf{r}^*) |\Psi(\mathbf{r}^*, \mathbf{k}^*)|^2,$$

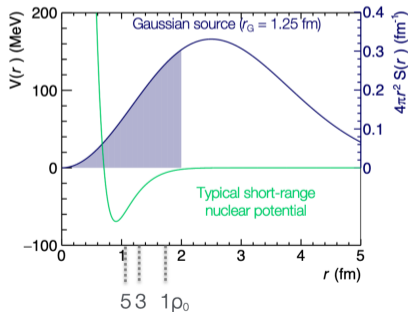
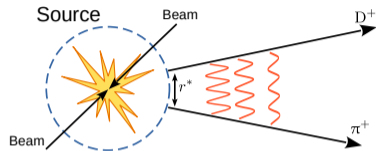
where:

- ▶ S is the source function
- ▶ Ψ is the wave function

Source: the probability density function of r^*

Source sizes at the LHC:

- ▶ pp: 1.0 – 1.2 fm
- ▶ pPb: 1.2 – 1.8 fm
- ▶ PbPb: 4 – 10 fm



The source function

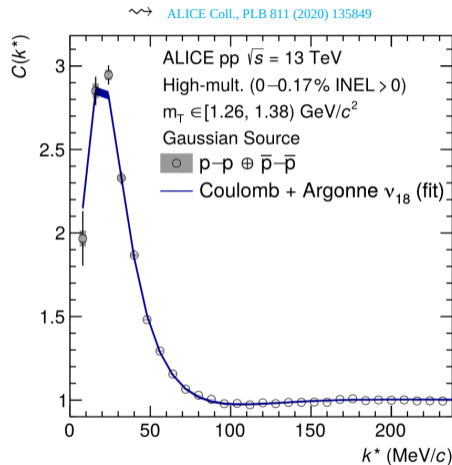
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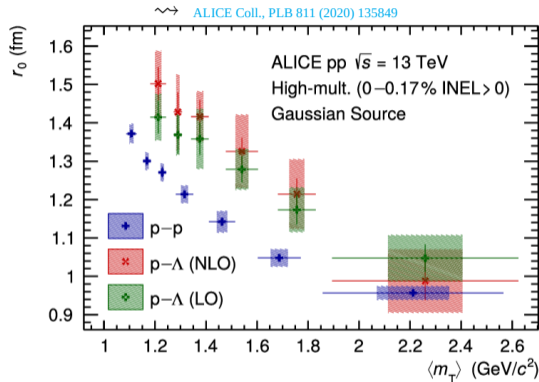
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Differential in transverse mass m_T

Different systems \rightarrow different sources?

- ▶ No! The contribution of resonances is missing



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The contribution of resonances

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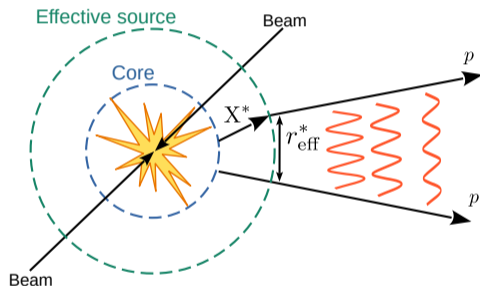
To describe the effective source size r_{eff}^* :

- ▶ angular distributions from EPOS
- ▶ yields from the statistical hadronization model

↪ ALICE Coll., arXiv 2311.14527

↪ ALICE Coll., PLB 811 (2020) 135849

↪ D. Mihaylov and J. González González, EPJC 83 (2023) 7 590



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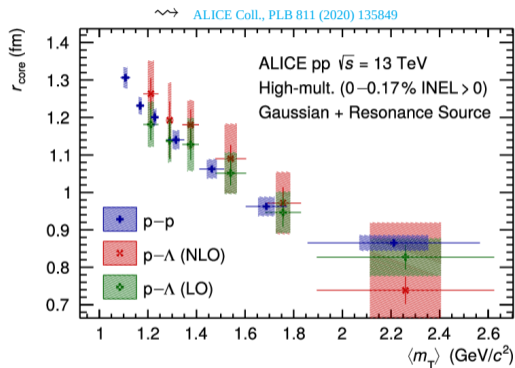
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The source core is the same for pp and p Λ

- ▶ Assume a universal source

The framework is calibrated: new particle pairs can be studied



The wave function

Depends on the potential \rightarrow encodes the information about the interaction

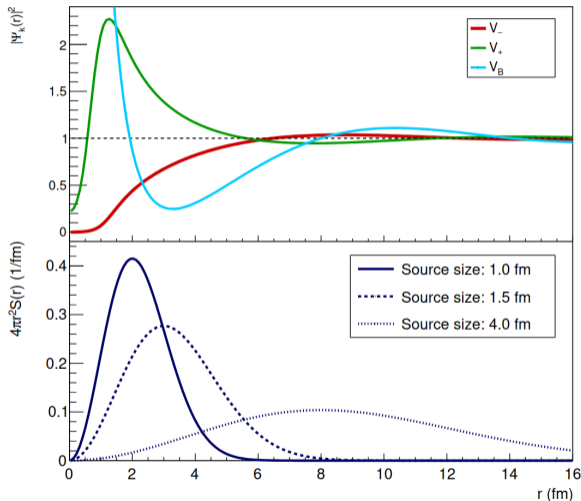
Determined numerically:

- ▶ CATS: Correlation Analysis Tool using the Schrödinger equation

\rightsquigarrow D. L. Mihaylov *et al*, PJC 78 (2018) 5 394

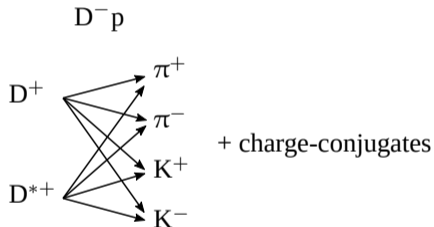
Different sources probe different regions of the wavefunctions, according to

$$C(k^*) = \int d\mathbf{r}^* S(\mathbf{r}^*) |\Psi(\mathbf{r}^*, \mathbf{k}^*)|^2$$



Focus of this presentation

Focus on:



In all systems:

- ▶ Coulomb interaction
- ▶ different isospin combinations

Analyzed data:

- ▶ Run 2, collected by ALICE
~> [ALICE Coll., JMP A 29 \(2014\) 1430044](#)
- ▶ proton-proton collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV
- ▶ high-multiplicity trigger (0.17 % of the inelastic cross section)

D meson reconstruction \rightarrow hadronic decay channels:

- ▶ D^+ : via $D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$
- ▶ D^{*+} : via $D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0 (\rightarrow K^- \pi^+) \pi^+$

Experimental setup

Inner Tracking System (ITS):

- ▶ tracking
- ▶ primary vertex

Time Projection Chamber (TPC):

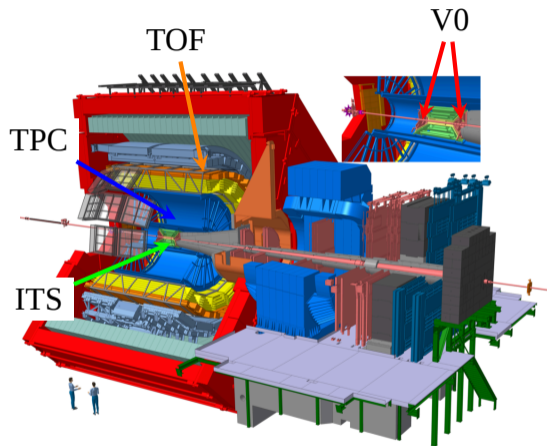
- ▶ tracking
- ▶ measurement of the momentum
- ▶ particle identification (PID)

Time of flight (TOF)

- ▶ particle identification

V0

- ▶ multiplicity estimation



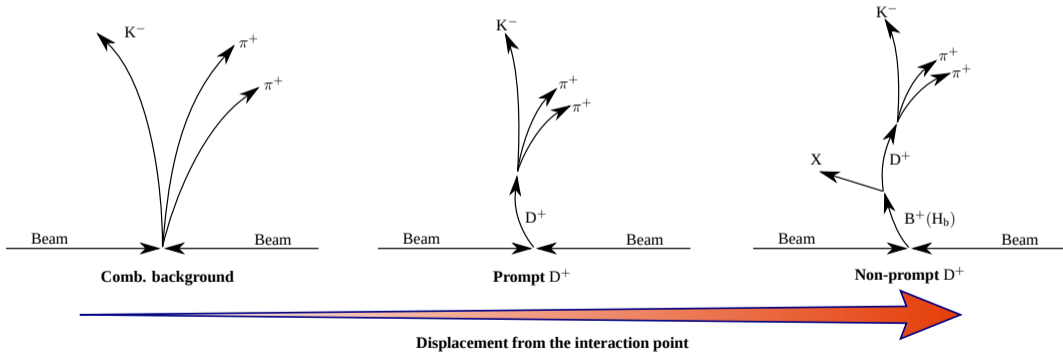
~> [ALICE Coll., Int. J. Mod. Phys. A 29 \(2014\) 1430044](#)

~> [ALICE Coll, JINST 3 \(2008\) S08002](#)

Selection of D mesons

Exploit the decay-vertex topology of the candidates

- ▶ $c\tau(D) \approx 100 \mu\text{m}$
- ▶ $c\tau(B) \approx 500 \mu\text{m}$



D[±] reconstruction performance

Machine learning algorithm based on boosted decision trees

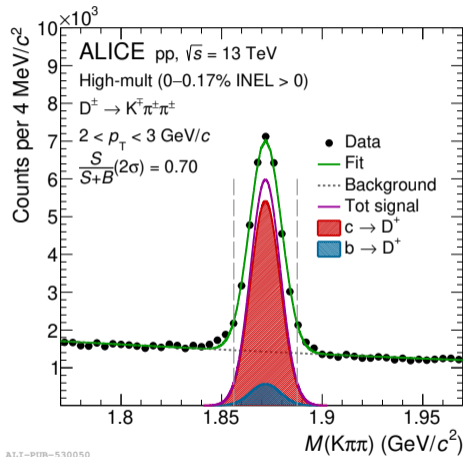
↪ [ALICE Coll., JHEP 05 \(2021\) 220](#)

Selection of D[±] → decay-vertex topology + PID

- ▶ from c quark hadronization (prompt)
- ▶ from beauty hadron decays (non-prompt)
- ▶ combinatorial background

Data-driven separation between prompt and non-prompt

- ▶ purity ~70%
- ▶ non-prompt fraction ~7%



↪ [ALICE Coll., PRD 106 \(2022\) 5, 052010](#)

The correlation function: genuine interaction

$$C_{\text{raw}} =$$

data

$$\lambda_{\text{gen}} C_{\text{gen}}$$

strong interaction

Primary signal particles \rightarrow genuine CF

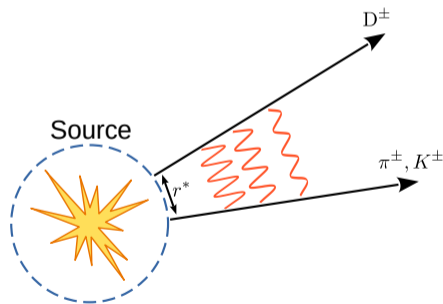
- ▶ scattering parameters
- ▶ formation of bound states
- ▶ ...

Source function from the universal m_T -scaling

\rightsquigarrow ALICE Coll., PLB 811 135849

Several corrections are necessary to obtain the genuine CF

- ▶ B^\pm decays, combinatorial background etc.



The correlation function: decays from $D^{*\pm}$ mesons

$$C_{\text{raw}} =$$

data

$$\lambda_{\text{gen}} C_{\text{gen}} + \lambda_{D^*} C_{D^*}$$

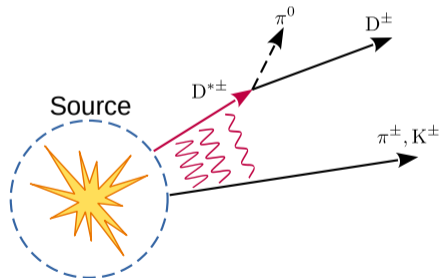
strong interaction D from D^*

About 30% of the D^\pm are from $D^{*\pm}$ decay

Small Q-value $\Rightarrow p(D^{*\pm}) \approx p(D^\pm)$

Modelling:

- ▶ Coulomb + strong interaction between $D^{*\pm}$ and π, K
- ▶ compute the phase space of $D^{*\pm} \rightarrow D^\pm + \pi^0$
- ▶ fold interaction with phase space $\rightarrow C_{D^*}$



The correlation function: flat contributions

$$C_{\text{raw}} =$$

data

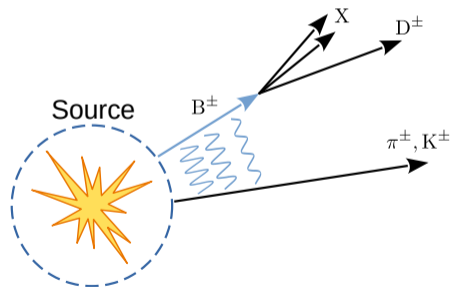
$$\lambda_{\text{gen}} C_{\text{gen}} + \lambda_{D^*} C_{D^*} + \lambda_{\text{flat}}$$

strong interaction D from D^* decays

Account for uncorrelated backgrounds:

- ▶ D mesons from beauty-hadron decays
- ▶ decay of long-living resonances
- ▶ misidentified particles e.g. $\pi \rightarrow K$

Assume no correlation $\Rightarrow C(k^*) = 1$



The correlation function: hadronization

$$C_{\text{raw}} = C_{\text{jet-like}} \left(\lambda_{\text{gen}} C_{\text{gen}} + \lambda_{D^*} C_{D^*} + \lambda_{\text{flat}} \right)$$

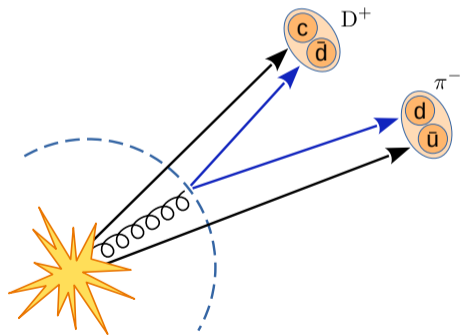
data hadronization strong interaction D from D* decays

Jet-like structures \rightarrow correlation

- ▶ particles produced close in phase space

Model with MC simulations, where:

- ▶ final-state strong interaction: absent
- ▶ hadronization: present



The correlation function: combinatorial background

$$C_{\text{raw}} = \lambda_{\text{SB}} C_{\text{SB}} + C_{\text{jet-like}} \left(\lambda_{\text{gen}} C_{\text{gen}} + \lambda_{D^*} C_{D^*} + \lambda_{\text{flat}} \right)$$

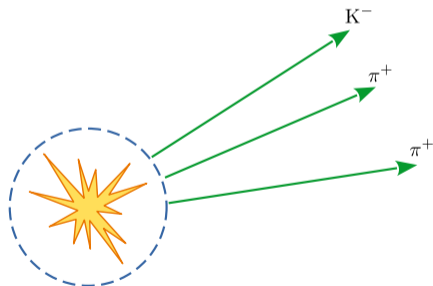
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Uncorrelated π and K tracks \rightarrow unphysical D mesons

- ▶ about 30% of the D candidates

Modelled with sideband (SB) analysis (data-driven):

- ▶ 5σ away from the nominal D^\pm mass
- ▶ CF with a pure background sample



The D^-p interaction

The theoretical models:

▶ attractive interaction

↪ [J. Haidenbauer et al, EPJA 33 \(2007\) 107-117](#)

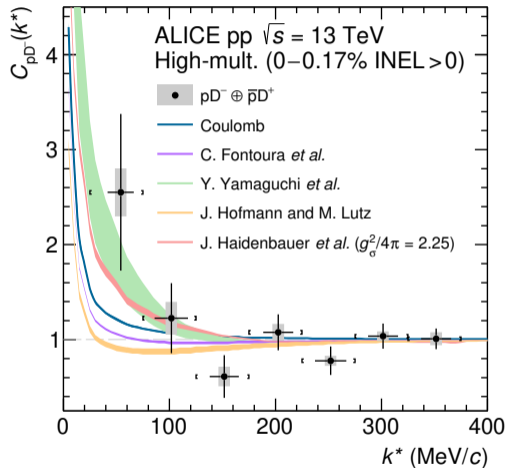
▶ repulsive interaction

↪ [J. Hofmann and M. Lutz, Nucl. Phys. A 763 \(2005\) 90-139](#)

↪ [Fontura et al, PRC 87 \(2013\) 025206](#)

▶ bound state formation

↪ [Yamaguchi et al, PRD 84 \(2011\) 014032](#)



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↪ [ALICE Coll., PRD 106 \(2022\) 5, 052010](#)

Gaussian potential model

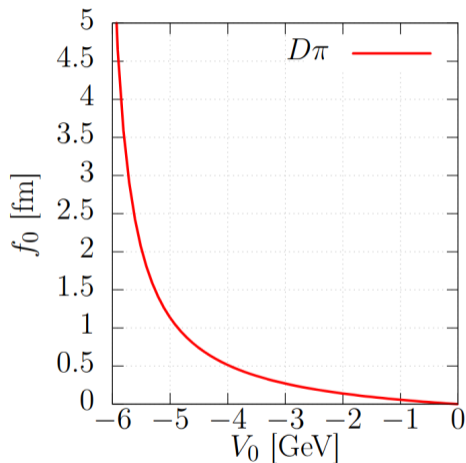
Effective potential: Gaussian potential model:

$$V(V_0, r) = V_0 e^{-(m_\rho r)^2}$$

- ▶ strength: adjustable parameter
- ▶ range: mass of the ρ meson

Coupled-channel dynamics:

- ▶ $D^+ \pi^+$: no coupled channel
- ▶ $D^+ \pi^-$: coupled to $D^0 \pi^0$



↪ [Y. Kamiya et al, EPJA 58 \(2022\) 7, 131](#)

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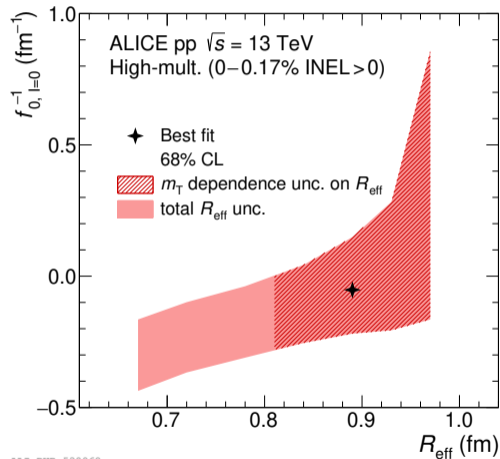
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- ▶ strength: fit parameter
- ▶ range: mass of the ρ meson

Extraction of the scattering length:

- ▶ the potential is always attractive
- ▶ The scattering length can be positive or negative

- ▶ attractive interaction
- ▶ bound state formation



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↪ ALICE Coll., PRD 106 (2022) 5, 052010

The study of $D^{(*)}\pi$ interactions

Theoretical predictions:

- ▶ lattice QCD calculations + chiral extrapolation

↪ [L. Liu et al, PRD 87 014508](#)

↪ [X.-Y. Guo et al, PRD 98 014510](#)

↪ [Z.-H. Guo et al, EPJC 79 13](#)

- ▶ chiral perturbation theory

↪ [Huang et al, PRD 15 036016](#)

- ▶ unitarized effective field theories

↪ [J. M. Torres-Rincon et al, arXiv 2307.02102](#)

Potential depth tuned to reproduce the scattering lengths

Shared scattering parameters:

$$\begin{cases} a_0^{D^+\pi^+} = a_0^{I=3/2} \\ a_0^{D^+\pi^-} = \frac{1}{3}a_0^{I=3/2} + \frac{2}{3}a_0^{I=1/2} \end{cases}$$

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$D\pi$ scattering parameters from theoretical models

- ~> [L. Liu et al, PRD 87 014508,](#)
- ~> [X.-Y. Guo et al, PRD 98 014510](#)
- ~> [Huang et al, PRD 15 036016,](#)
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Extraction of the $D\pi$ scattering parameters

Combined fit with the Gaussian potential model: $V(V_0, r) = V_0 e^{-(m_\rho r)^2}$

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$$a_0^{\text{pp}} = O(10), \quad a_0^{\text{p}\Lambda} = O(1)$$

$$a_0^{\text{D}\pi}(I = 3/2) = 0.01 \pm 0.02(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.01(\text{syst.})$$

$$a_0^{\text{D}\pi}(I = 1/2) = 0.02 \pm 0.03(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.01(\text{syst.})$$

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$$a_0^{\text{pp}} = O(10), \quad a_0^{\text{p}\Lambda} = O(1)$$

$$a_0^{\text{D}^*\pi}(I = 3/2) = 0.10 \pm 0.04(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.02(\text{syst.})$$

$$a_0^{\text{D}^*\pi}(I = 1/2) = 0.00 \pm 0.05(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.05(\text{syst.})$$

Extraction of the $D^*\pi$ scattering parameters

$D\pi$ and $D^*\pi$ scattering parameters for the two isospin configurations

- ▶ tension with theory \rightarrow why?

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Conclusions

Femtoscopy \rightarrow hadron-hadron interactions

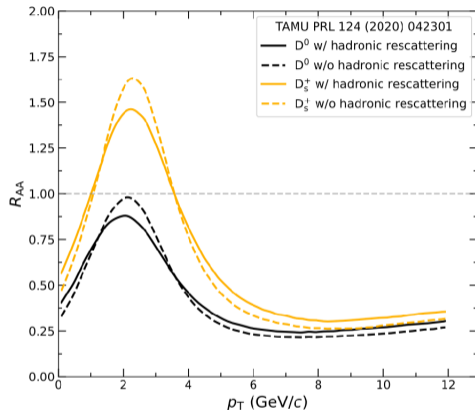
- ▶ particularly useful for charm hadrons

Results of charm femtoscopy:

- ▶ small scattering parameters \rightarrow shallow interactions
- ▶ $D\pi$ and $D^*\pi$ interactions are similar \rightarrow heavy-quark spin symmetry
- ▶ tension with theory

Conclusions:

- ▶ small effect on heavy-ion observables



Used scattering length: $a_0^{D\pi} = -0.10$ fm

\rightsquigarrow [M. He et al, PLB 701 \(2011\) 445-450](#)

\rightsquigarrow [M. He and R. Rapp, PRL 124 \(2020\) 042301](#)

Charm hadron femtoscopy during the Run 3

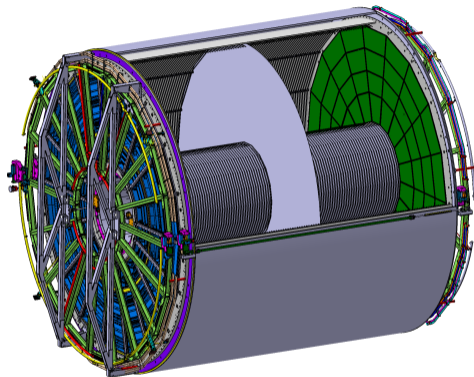
Several upgrades:

- ▶ ITS → better pointing resolution
- ▶ TPC → continuous readout
- ▶ larger luminosity: ~ 100 times more statistics
- ▶ software triggers

LHC data-taking period: 2022-ongoing

The study of charm-hadrons interactions will be extended

- ▶ $\Lambda_c^+ p \rightarrow$ charm nuclei
 \rightsquigarrow [S. Maeda et al, PTEP 2016 \(2016\) 2, 023D02](#)
- ▶ $J/\Psi p \rightarrow$ bound states
 \rightsquigarrow [G. Krein et al, PPNP 100 \(2018\) 161-210](#)



\rightsquigarrow [ALICE Coll., arXiv:2302.01238](#)

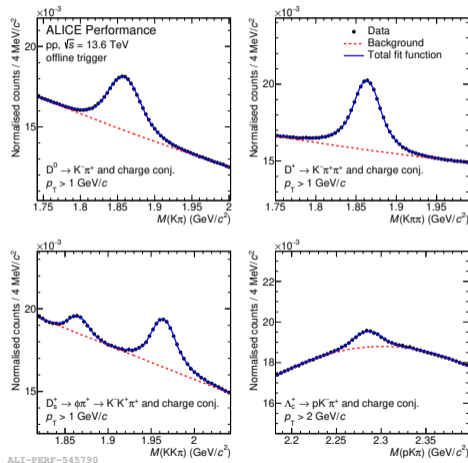
Heavy-flavor software triggers in the Run 3

Offline software triggers for:

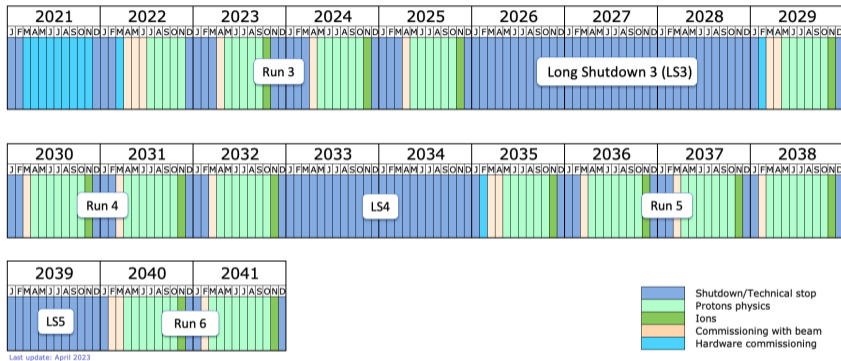
- ▶ $D^0 p$ and $\bar{D}^0 p$
- ▶ $D^\pm p$, $D_s^\pm p$, and $\Lambda_c^\pm p$

Strategy:

- ▶ preselections on topology and kinematics
- ▶ Machine-learning selections:
 - ▶ background \rightarrow discard
 - ▶ prompt \rightarrow femtoscopy
 - ▶ non-prompt \rightarrow beauty



The long-term LHC schedule



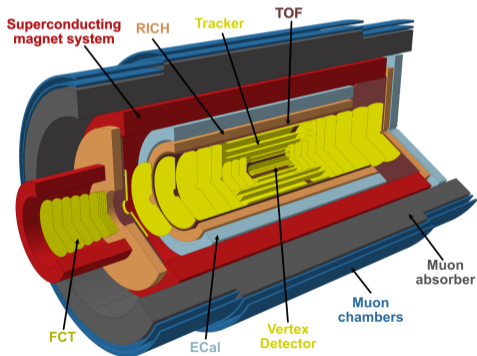
The ALICE experiment will end with the Run 4
Planned for the Run 5 and Run 6: ALICE 3

↪ ALICE Coll., arXiv:2211.02491

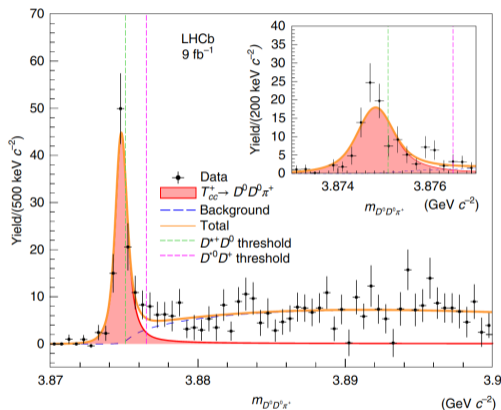
Charm hadron femtoscopy with ALICE 3

ALICE 3: \rightsquigarrow [arXiv 2211.02491](https://arxiv.org/abs/2211.02491)

- ▶ large acceptance
- ▶ low material budget
- ▶ high spatial resolution



\rightsquigarrow LHCb Coll. Nat. Com. 13 3351



The study of exotic charm states will be possible

- ▶ T_{cc}^+ could be a $D^0 D^*$ molecule

Search for bound states with femtoscopy

The T_{cc}^+ is right below the DD^* thresholds

- ▶ molecule candidate

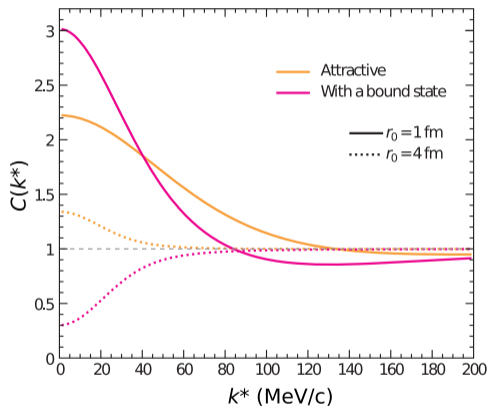
Bound states with femtoscopy

In small collision systems (pp):

- ▶ $C(k^*) > 1$ at small k^*
- ▶ $C(k^*) < 1$ at intermediate k^*

In large collision systems (pp):

- ▶ $C(k^*) < 1$ everywhere



↪ [Ann. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci. 71 \(2021\) 377-402](#)

Charm hadron femtoscopy with ALICE 3

The T_{cc}^+ : a DD^* molecule candidate

- ▶ Binding energy ≈ 360 keV
- ▶ scattering length = $-7.16 + i1.85$ fm
 \rightsquigarrow [LHCb Coll, Nat. Com. 13 3351](#)

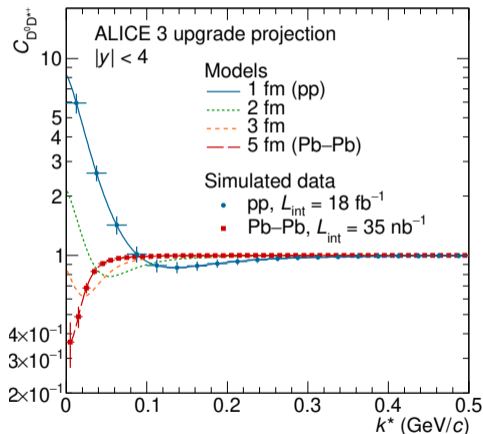
Tune the potential \rightarrow mass and width of T_{cc}^+

\rightsquigarrow [Y. Kamiya et al, PRC 105 \(2022\) 1, 014915](#)

Upgrade projection:

- ▶ pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 14$ TeV (Pythia 8)
- ▶ assume a Gaussian potential (with bound state)

Bound state \rightarrow flip of the CF below 1



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Conclusions

The ALICE experiment is well suited for femtoscopic studies in the charm sector

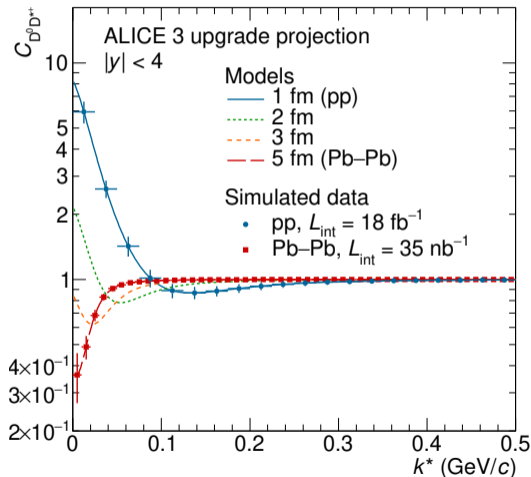
Run 3:

- ▶ refine the $D^{(*)}$ -LF interaction measurements
- ▶ extend the studies to new particle pairs

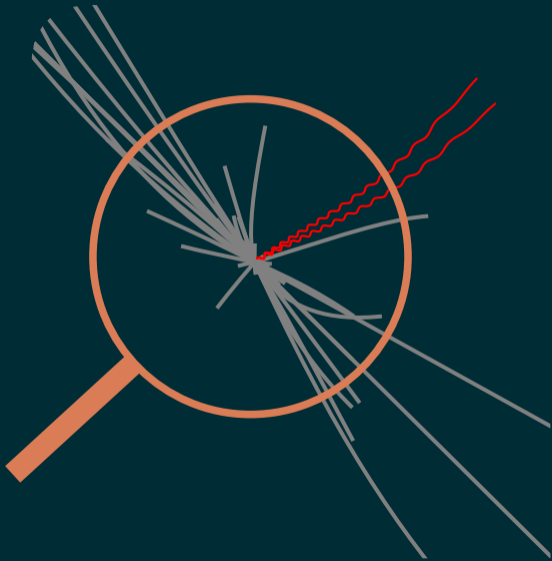
ALICE 3:

- ▶ determine the nature of the T_{cc}^+

Thank you for your attention!



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Additional material

The nature of the $D_0^*(2300)$

Is the $D_0^*(2300)$ a double-pole structure?

In the strange sector:

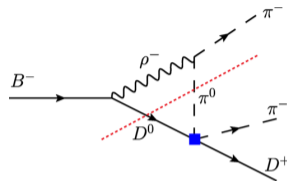
- ▶ $\Lambda(1405)$: dynamically generated state (double pole structure)

The $D_0^*(2300)$ seems to have a similar nature, from:

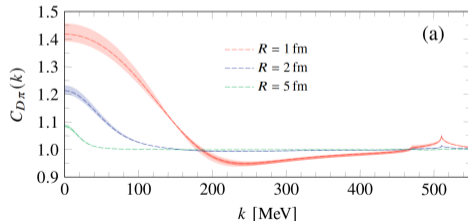
- ▶ B meson decays
- ▶ lattice calculations

↪ A. Asokan et al, EPJC 83 (2023) 9, 850

$D\pi$ interaction → information about the number and position of the $D_0^*(2300)$ poles



↪ Du et al, PRL 126 192001



↪ M. Albaladejo, J. Nieves, E. Ruiz-Arriola, arXiv:2304.03107

Determination of the source

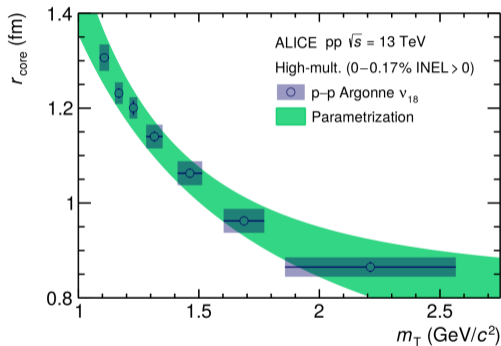
To determine r_{eff}^* for a new pair of particles:

- ▶ use the pp data (most precise)

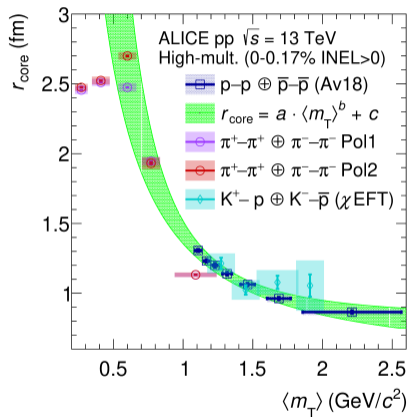
The procedure:

- ▶ compute the average m_T for the pair of interest
- ▶ compute the r_{core} corresponding to that m_T
- ▶ include the resonances
- ▶ compute the effective size r_{eff}^* of the source

Once the effective source is known, the interaction can be accessed



The universal m_T scaling



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\rightsquigarrow ALICE Coll., Arxiv 2311.14527

DK scattering parameters from theoretical models

- ↪ [Huang et al, PRD 15 036016](#)
- ↪ [Z.-H. Guo et al, EPJC 79 13](#)
- ↪ [J. M. Torres-Rincon et al, arXiv 2307.02102](#)
- ↪ [L. Liu et al, PRD 87 014508](#)
- ↪ [X.-Y. Guo et al, PRD 98 014510](#)

Results:

- ▶ compatible with all theoretical models
- ▶ Run 3 data is necessary

plot not public

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Charm hadron femtoscopy with ALICE 3

The $\chi_{c1}(3872)$: molecule candidates

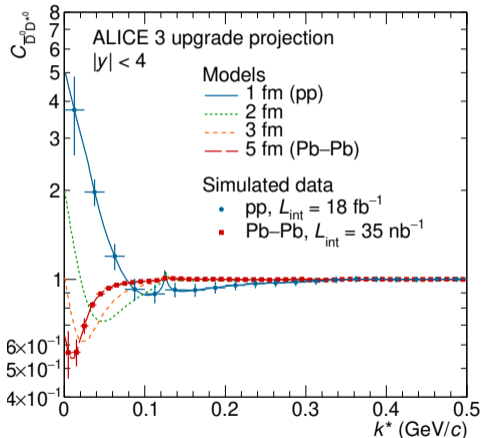
- ▶ $D^0 \bar{D}^{*0}$ (dominant)
- ▶ $D^+ \bar{D}^{*-}$

Assume a $D^0 \bar{D}^{*0}$ molecule

- ▶ Binding energy ≈ 40 keV

Features of the CF:

- ▶ cusp at 120 MeV/c (due to $D^+ \bar{D}^{*-}$ coupling)
- ▶ inversion of the CF for large systems
- ▶ source size dependence



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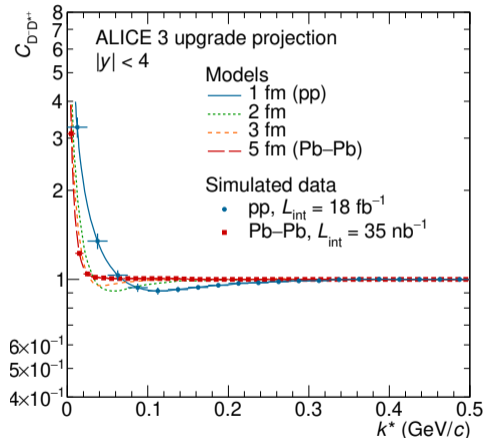
- ▶ $D^0 \bar{D}^{*0}$ (dominant)
- ▶ $D^+ \bar{D}^{*-}$

Assume a $D^+ \bar{D}^{*-}$ molecule (subdominant)

- ▶ Binding energy ≈ 8 MeV

Features of the CF:

- ▶ no cusp ($D^0 \bar{D}^{*0}$ coupling below threshold)
- ▶ no inversion of the CF for large systems
 \approx no bound state
- ▶ almost no source size dependence



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Charm hadron femtoscopy with ALICE 3

Model	a_0 (fm)	
	$D\pi(I = 3/2)$	$D\pi(I = 1/2)$
L. Liu <i>et al.</i>	-0.100 ± 0.002	$0.37^{+0.03}_{-0.02}$
X. Y. Guo <i>et al.</i>	-0.11	0.33
Z. H. Guo <i>et al.</i>	Fit-1B $-0.101^{+0.005}_{-0.003}$	$0.31^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$
	Fit-2B $-0.099^{+0.003}_{-0.004}$	$0.34^{+0.00}_{-0.03}$
B. L. Huang <i>et al.</i>	-0.06 ± 0.02	0.61 ± 0.11
J. M. Torres-Rincon <i>et al.</i>	-0.101	0.423

↪ Huang et al, PRD 15 036016

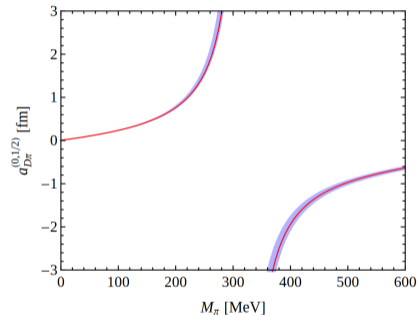
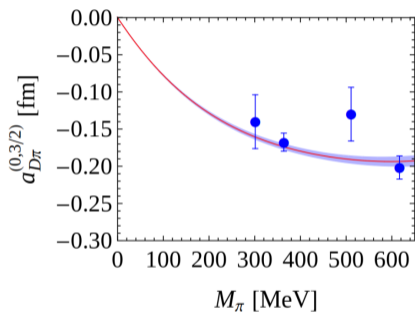
↪ L. Liu et al, PRD 87 014508

↪ Z.-H. Guo et al, EPJC 79 13

↪ X.-Y. Guo et al, PRD 98 014510

↪ J. M. Torres-Rincon et al, arXiv 2307.02102

Charm hadron interaction on the lattice



↪ L. Liu et al, PRD 87 014508