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**Baryon-antibaryon ( $p\bar{p}$ ,  $p\bar{\Lambda}$ ,  $\bar{p}\Lambda$ ) femtoscopic correlations in Pb–Pb collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$  TeV**

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**Abstract**

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## 1 Introduction

In the analysis, we present the measurements of baryon-antibaryon correlations in Pb–Pb collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$  TeV registered by the ALICE experiment. The method of two-particle correlations (commonly referred to as *femtoscopy*) allows for extracting the space-time characteristics of the emitting source created in heavy-ion collision. Using this technique one can also attempt to extract parameters of strong interaction [1].

## 2 Data analysis

### 2.1 Data sample

#### 2.1.1 Data selection

#### 2.1.2 Monte Carlo

### 2.2 Event selection

### 2.3 Particle identification

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#### 2.3.1 (Anti-)protons identification

#### 2.3.2 (Anti-)lambdas identification

### 2.4 Track selection

### 2.5 Pair selection

### 2.6 Proton and lambda fraction with respect to their origin

In order to estimate fraction of protons and lambdas coming from certain parent particles was calculated using Monte Carlo Hijing LHC12a17afix. Fractions were checked before reconstruction (pure Monte Carlo) as well as after Geant simulation. Kinematic cuts were applied with the same values as in collision data. It was noticed that before reconstruction, there is a significant contribution of protons at low  $p_T$  with PDG of mothers corresponding to  $\pi$ ,  $K_L^0$ ,  $K_S^0$ ,  $K^+$ ,  $D_S^+$ ,  $J/\psi$ ,  $B^0$ ,  $B^+$ ,  $B_S^0$  which presumably come from interactions with material. Results were also cross checked with Therminator2 simulation without reconstruction stage. Results are show in Fig. ??

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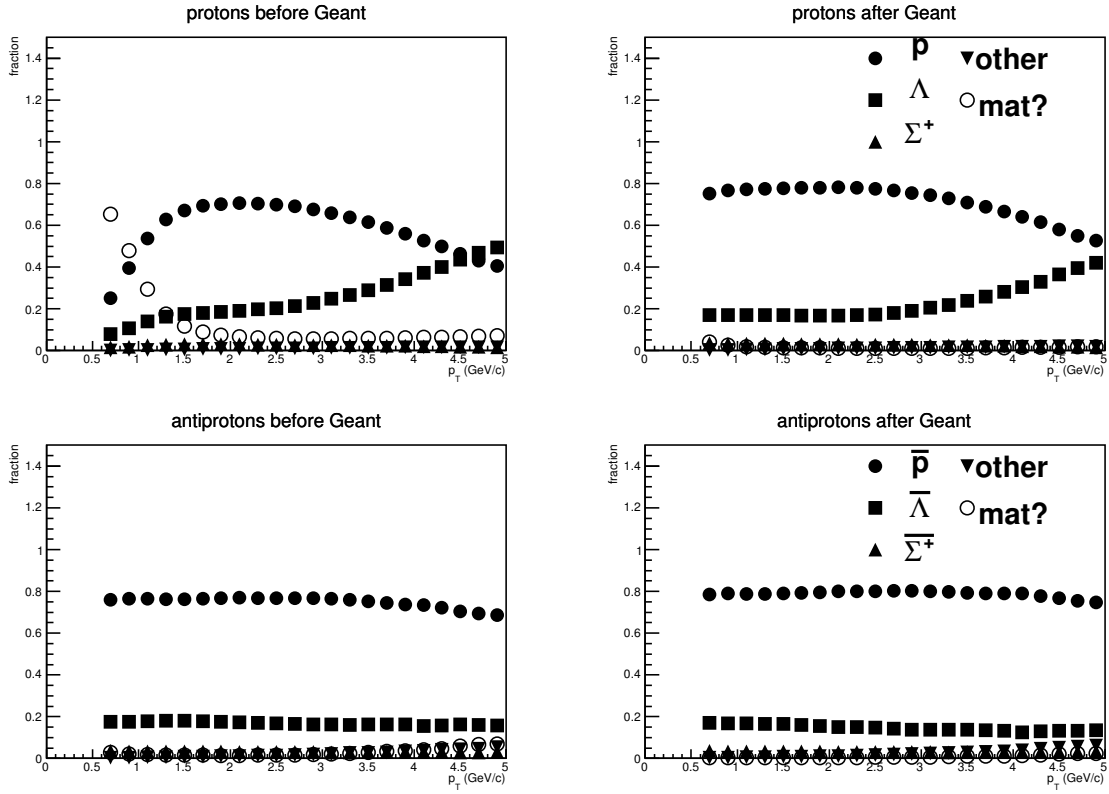
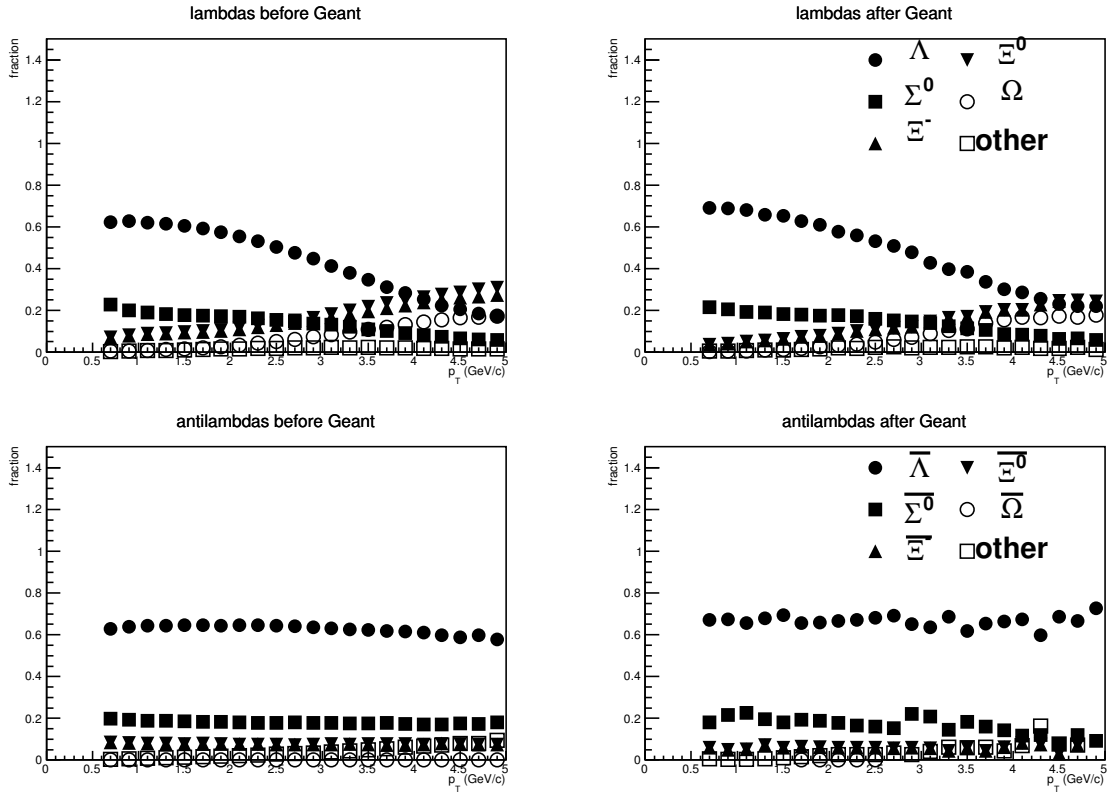
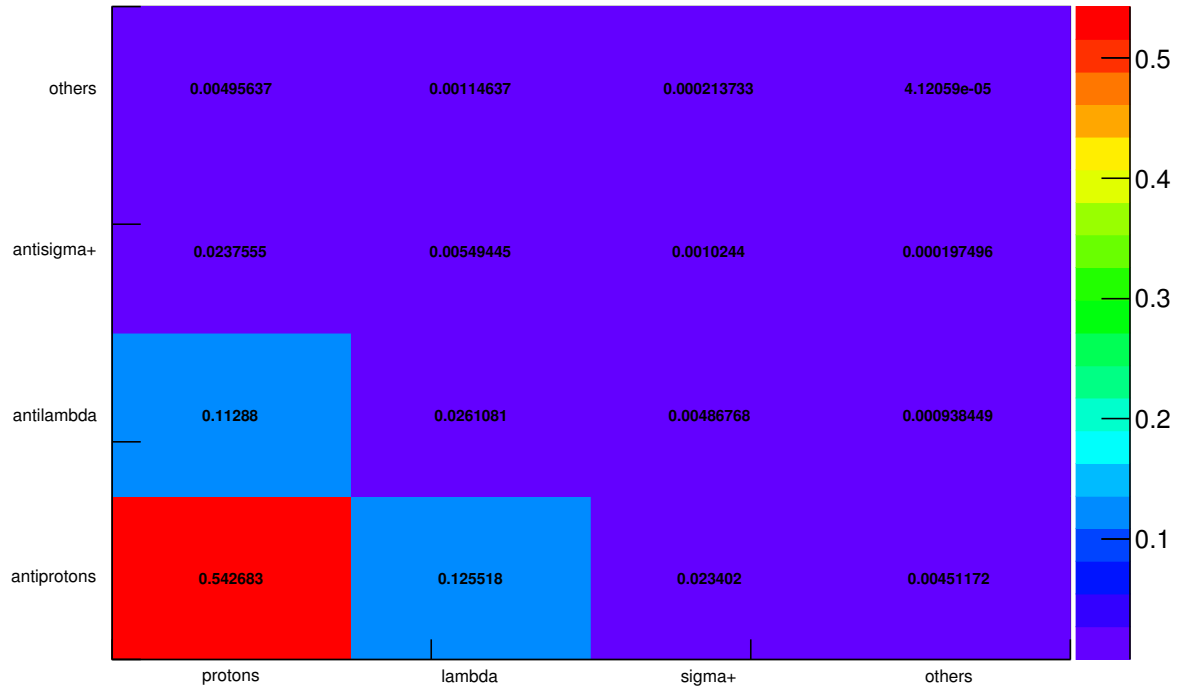
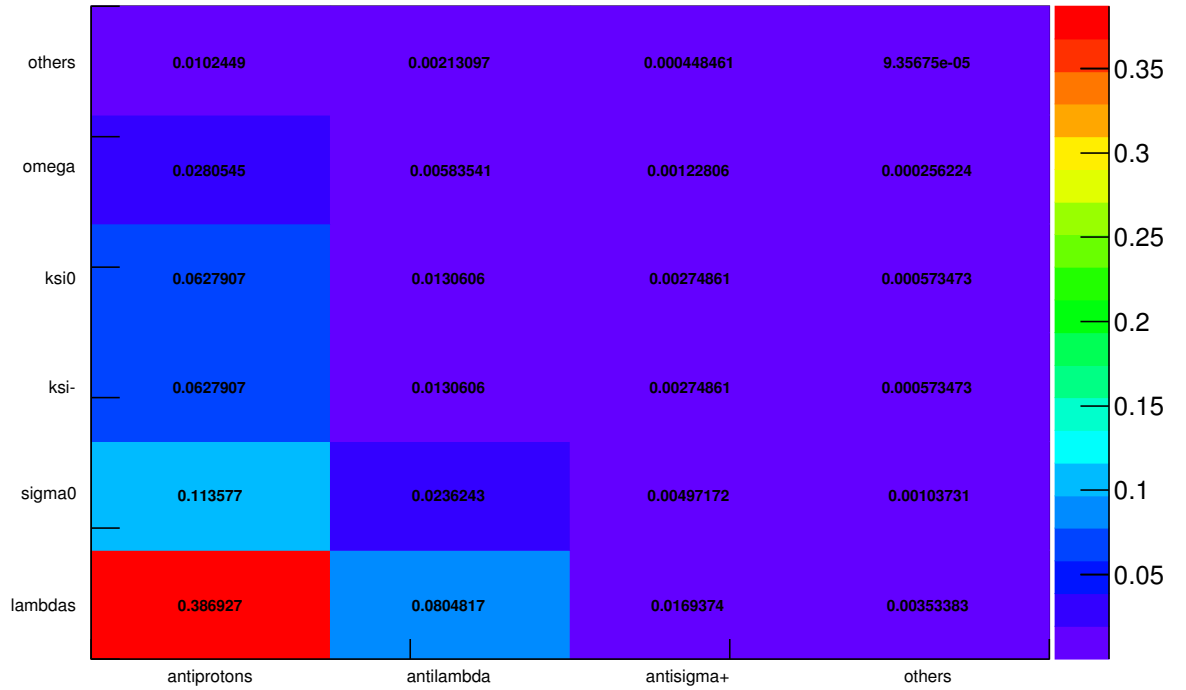


Fig. 1: Hijing p fraction

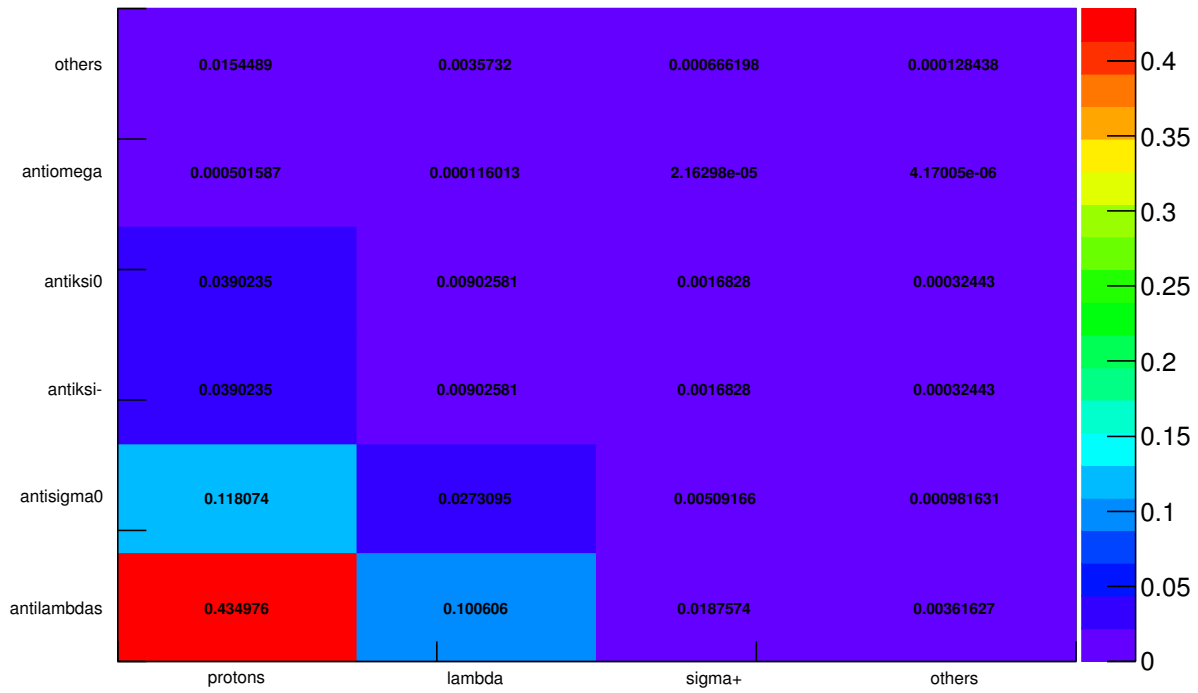
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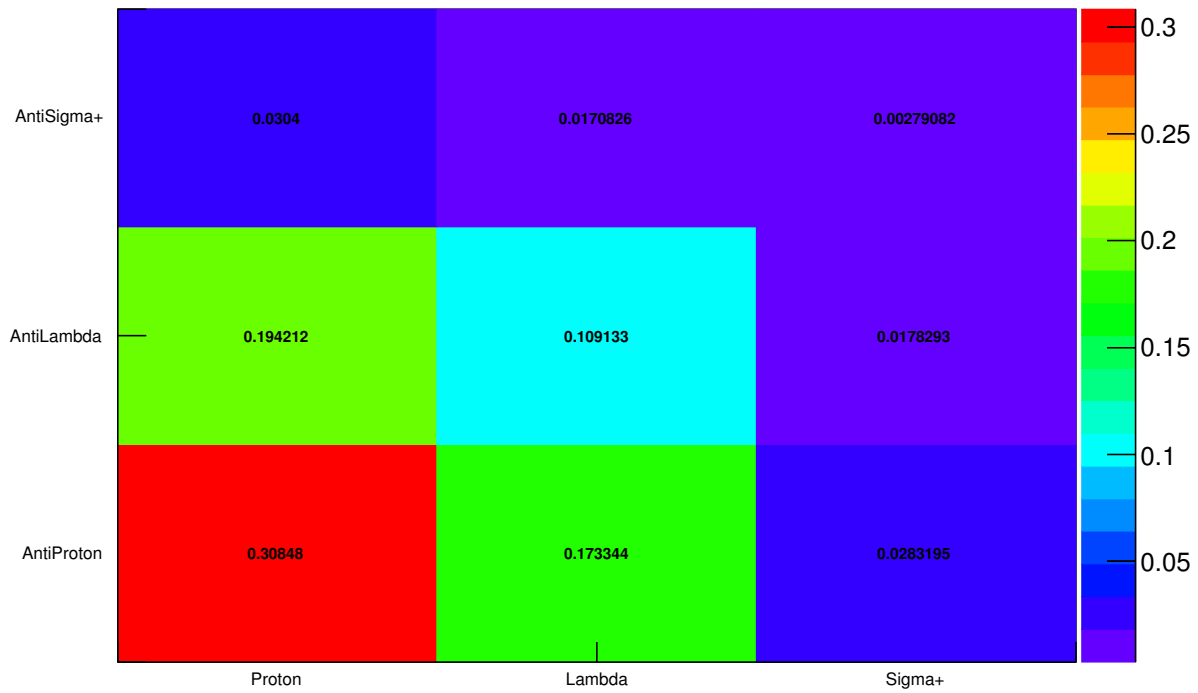
**Fig. 3:** Hijing+Geant  $p\bar{p}$  Fraction  $p_T$  integrated, taking into account 0.95  $p$  and  $\bar{p}$  PID purity



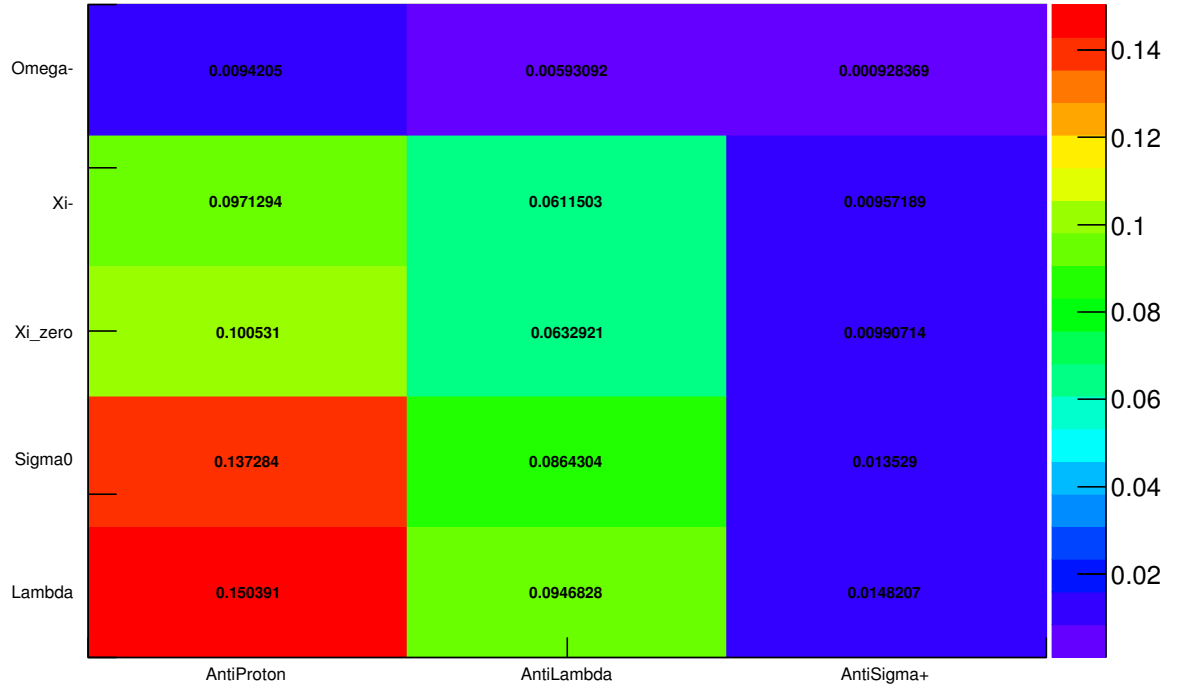
**Fig. 4:** Hijing+Geant  $p\bar{\Lambda}$  Fraction  $p_T$  integrated, taking into account 0.95  $\bar{p}$  PID purity and 0.9  $\Lambda$  purity



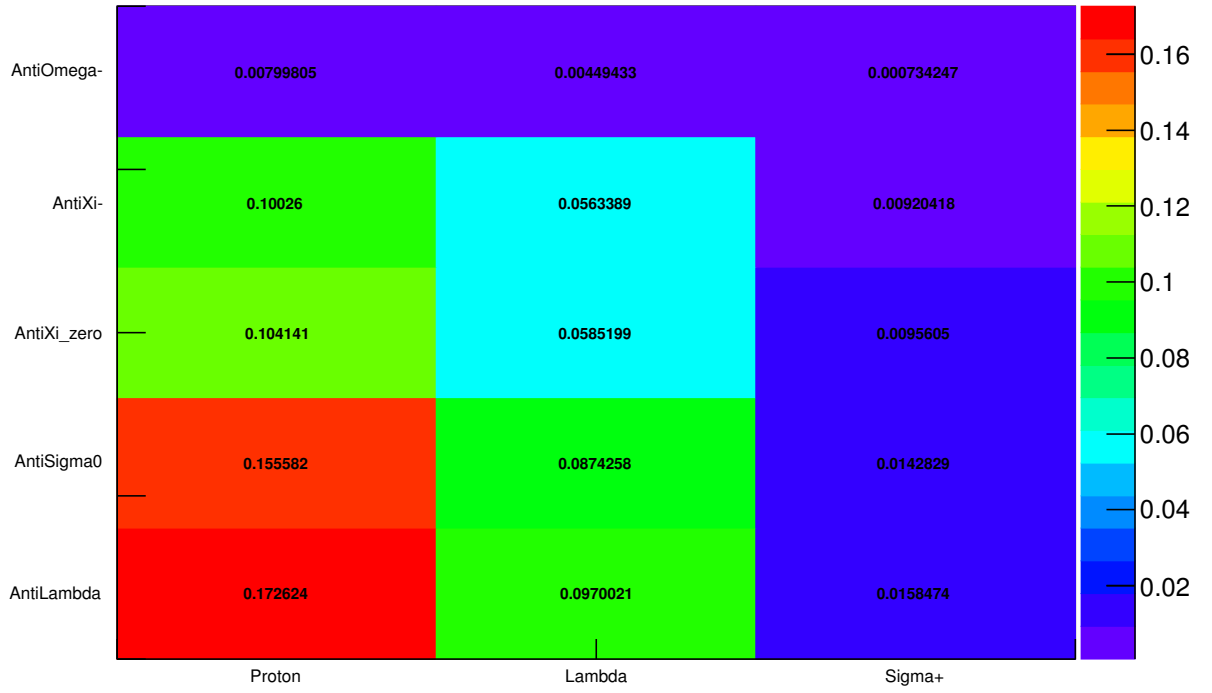
**Fig. 5:** Hijing+Geant  $p\bar{\Lambda}$  Fraction  $p_T$  integrated, 0.95 p PID purity and 0.9  $\bar{\Lambda}$  purity



**Fig. 6:** Therminator2  $p\bar{p}$  fraction



**Fig. 7:** Therminator2  $\bar{p}\Lambda$  fraction



**Fig. 8:** Therminator2  $p\bar{\Lambda}$  fraction

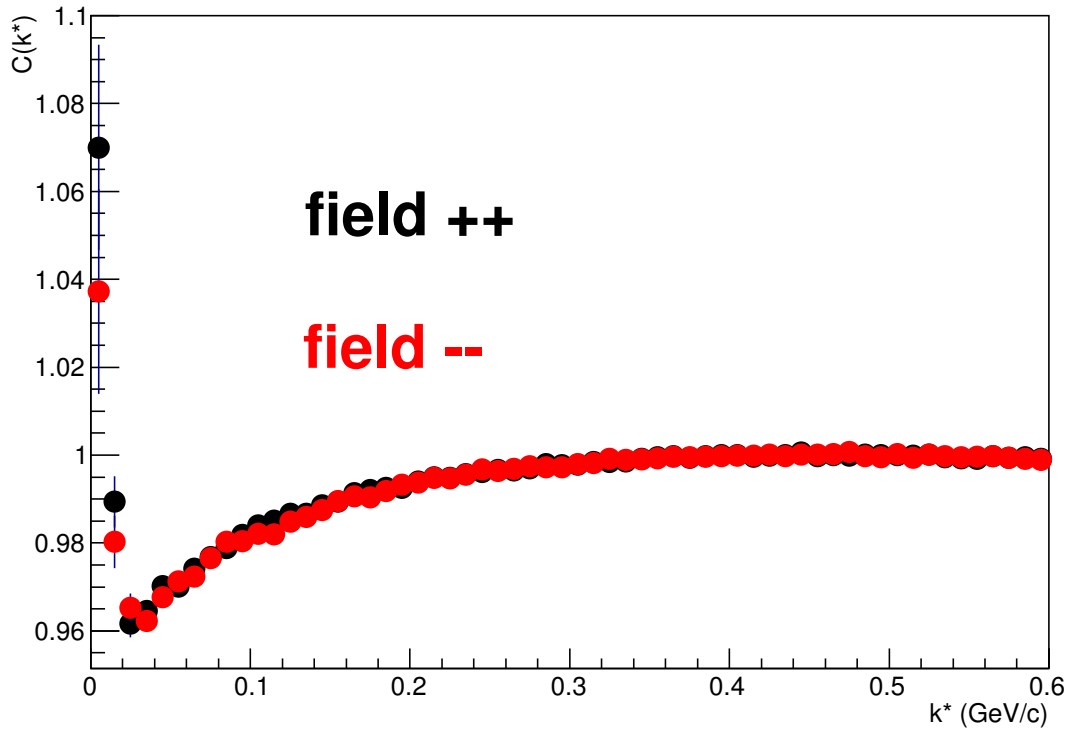


Fig. 9: p $\bar{p}$  correlation function, centrality 0-10%

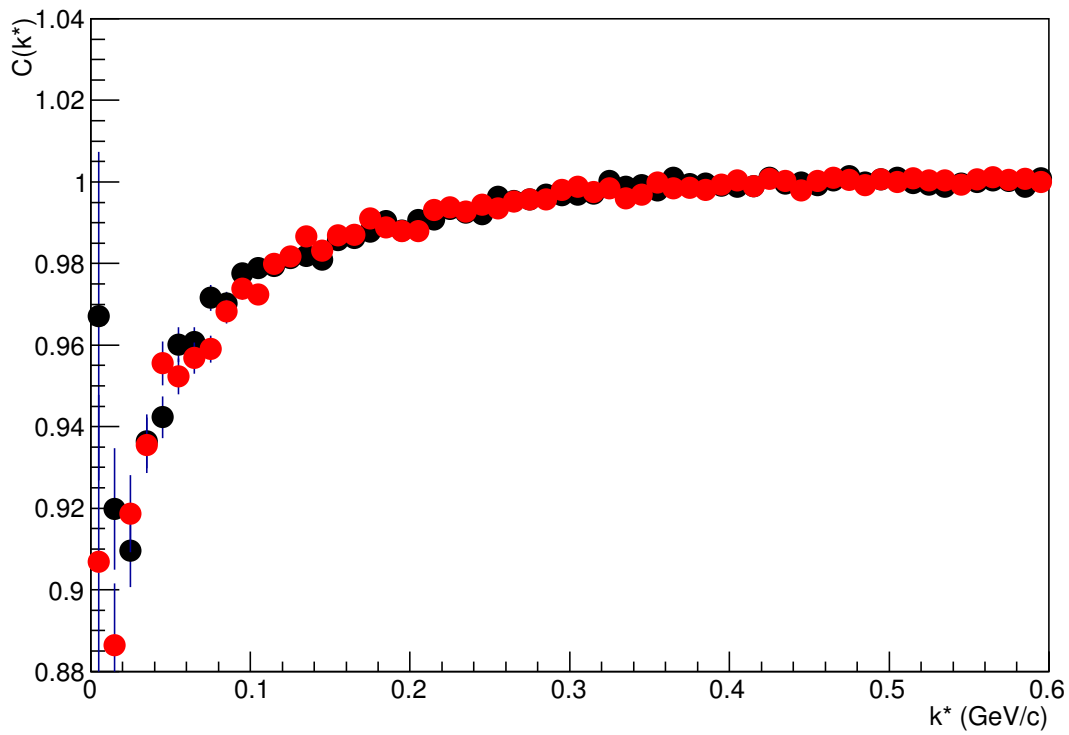


Fig. 10: p $\bar{\Lambda}$  correlation function, centrality 0-10%



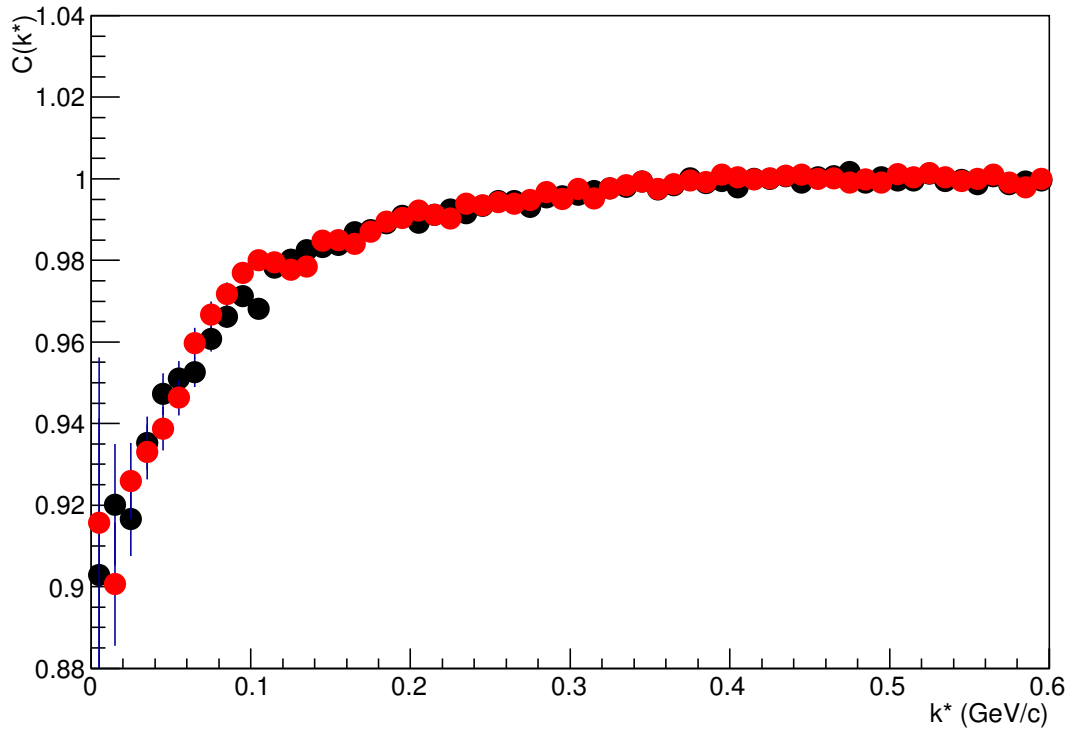


Fig. 11:  $\bar{p}\Lambda$  correlation function, centrality 0-10%

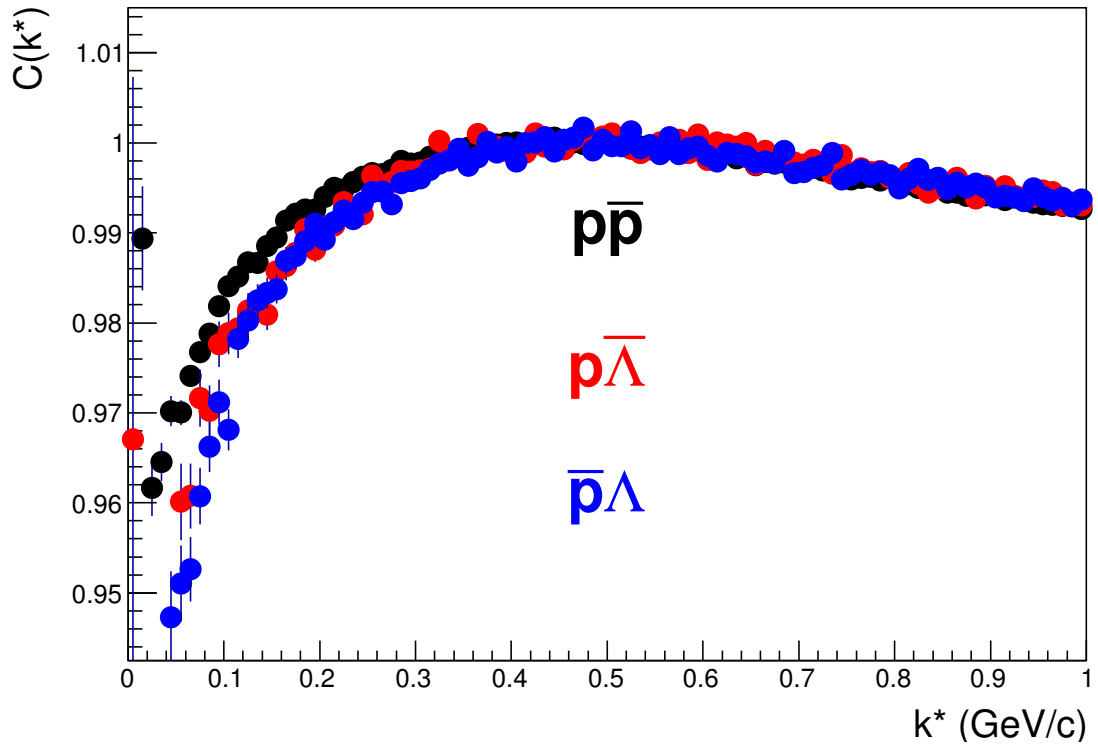
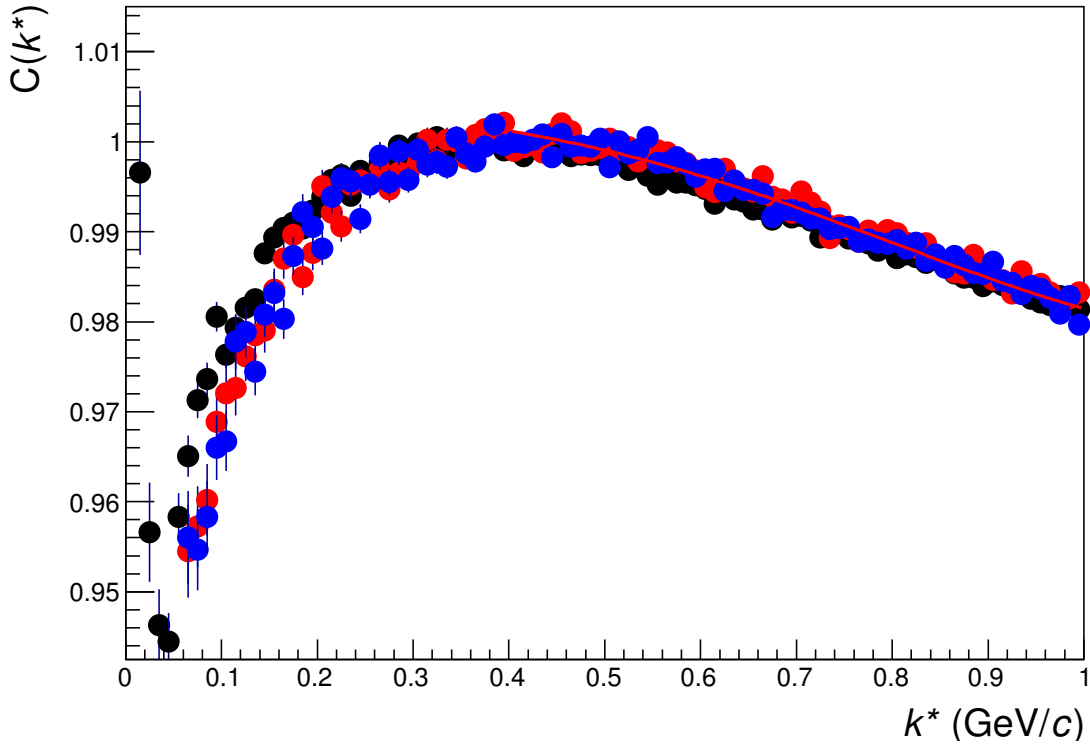
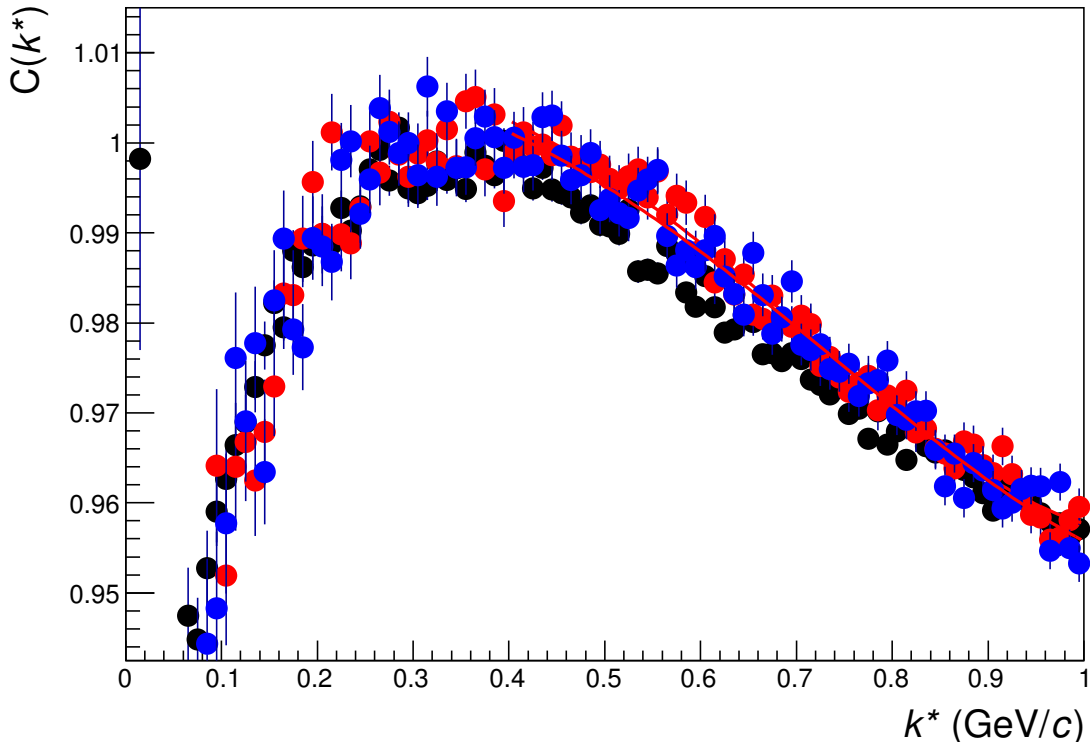


Fig. 12: Non-femtoscopic background in  $p\bar{p}$ ,  $p\bar{\Lambda}$ ,  $\bar{p}\Lambda$ , centrality 0-10%



**Fig. 13:** Non-femtoscopic background in  $p\bar{p}$ ,  $p\bar{\Lambda}$ ,  $\bar{p}\Lambda$ , centrality 10-30%



**Fig. 14:** Non-femtoscopic background in  $p\bar{p}$ ,  $p\bar{\Lambda}$ ,  $\bar{p}\Lambda$ , centrality 30-50%

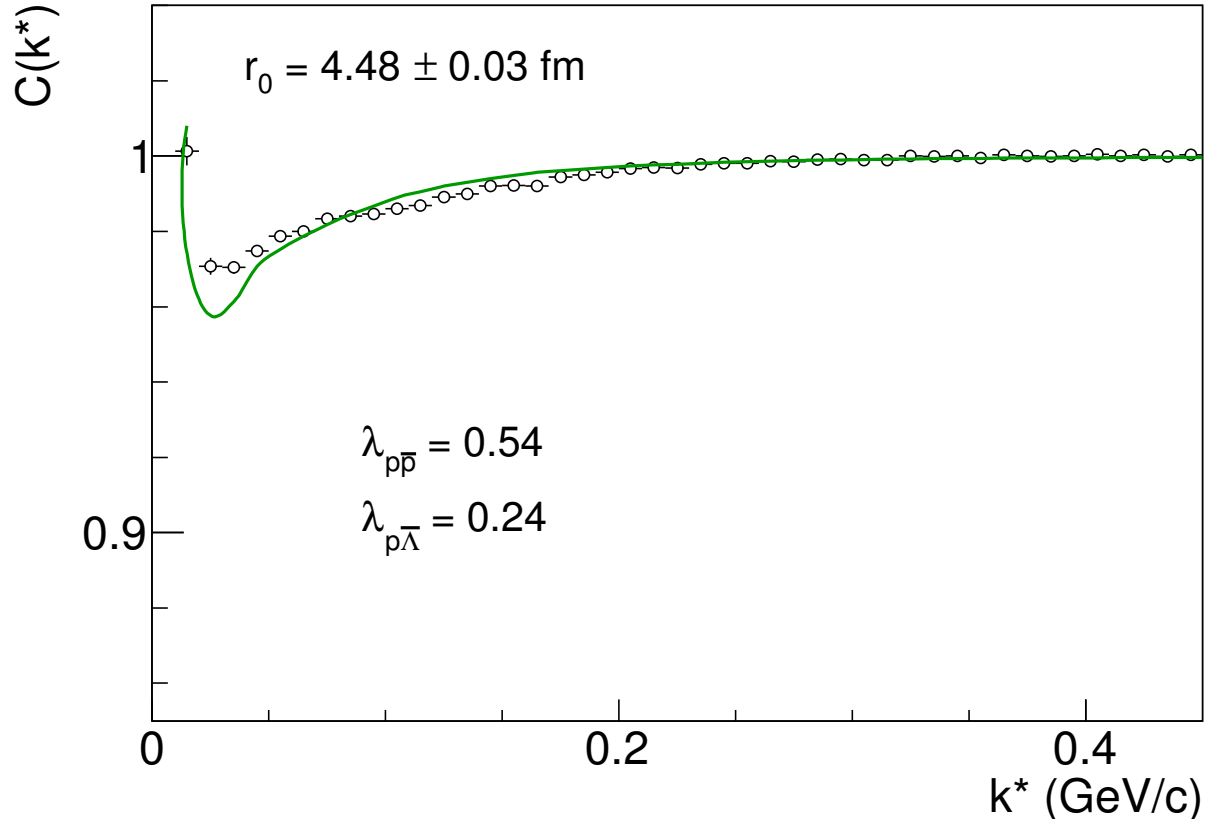


Fig. 15: Fit to  $p\bar{p}$  correlation function divided by pol4, centrality 0-10%

### 3 Results

#### 3.1 Correlation functions

##### 3.1.1 Comparison of magnetic field orientations

##### 3.1.2 Non-femtoscopic background

##### 3.1.3 Event plane selection method

##### 3.1.4 Correlation function from Monte Carlo

#### 3.2 Fitting procedure

##### 3.2.1 Residual correlations

##### 3.2.2 $p\bar{p}$ theoretical function

##### Gaussian source

##### Therminator source

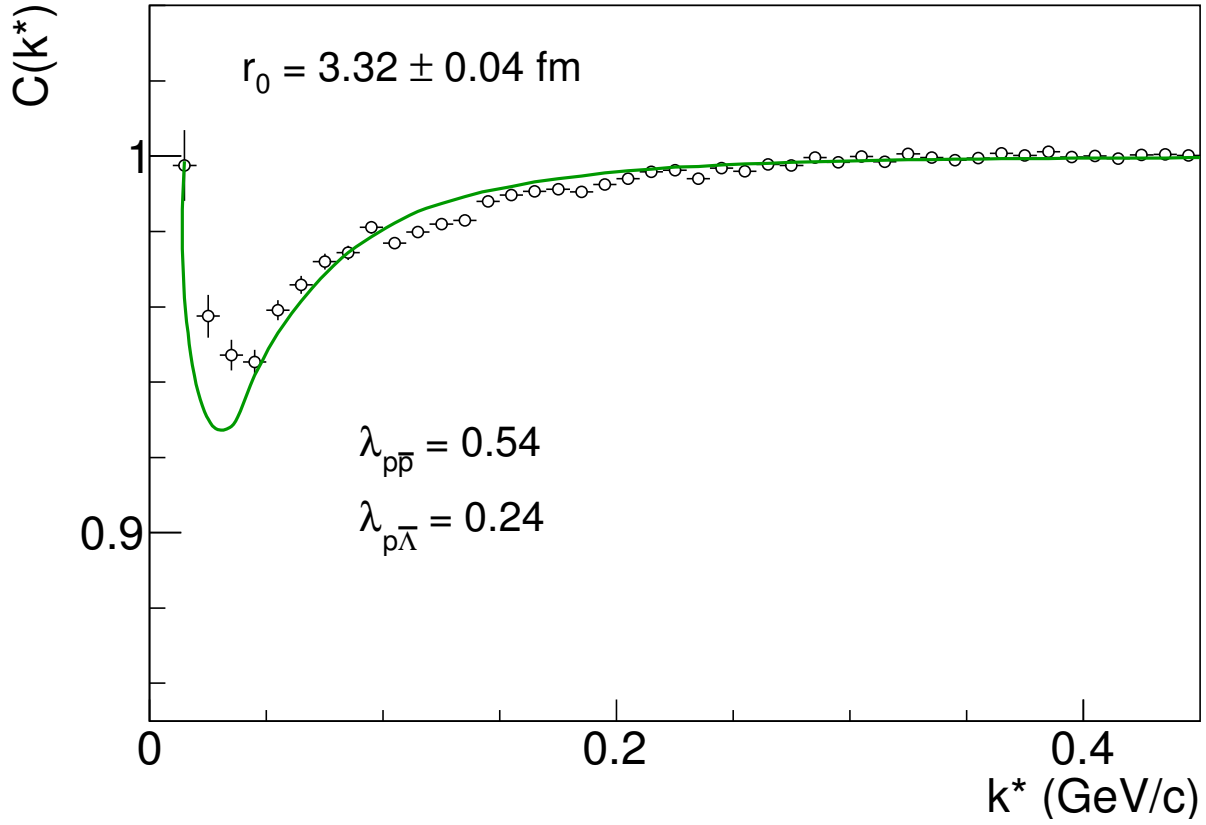
##### 3.2.3 $p\bar{\Lambda}$ and $\bar{p}\Lambda$ theoretical function

##### 3.2.4 Fitting results

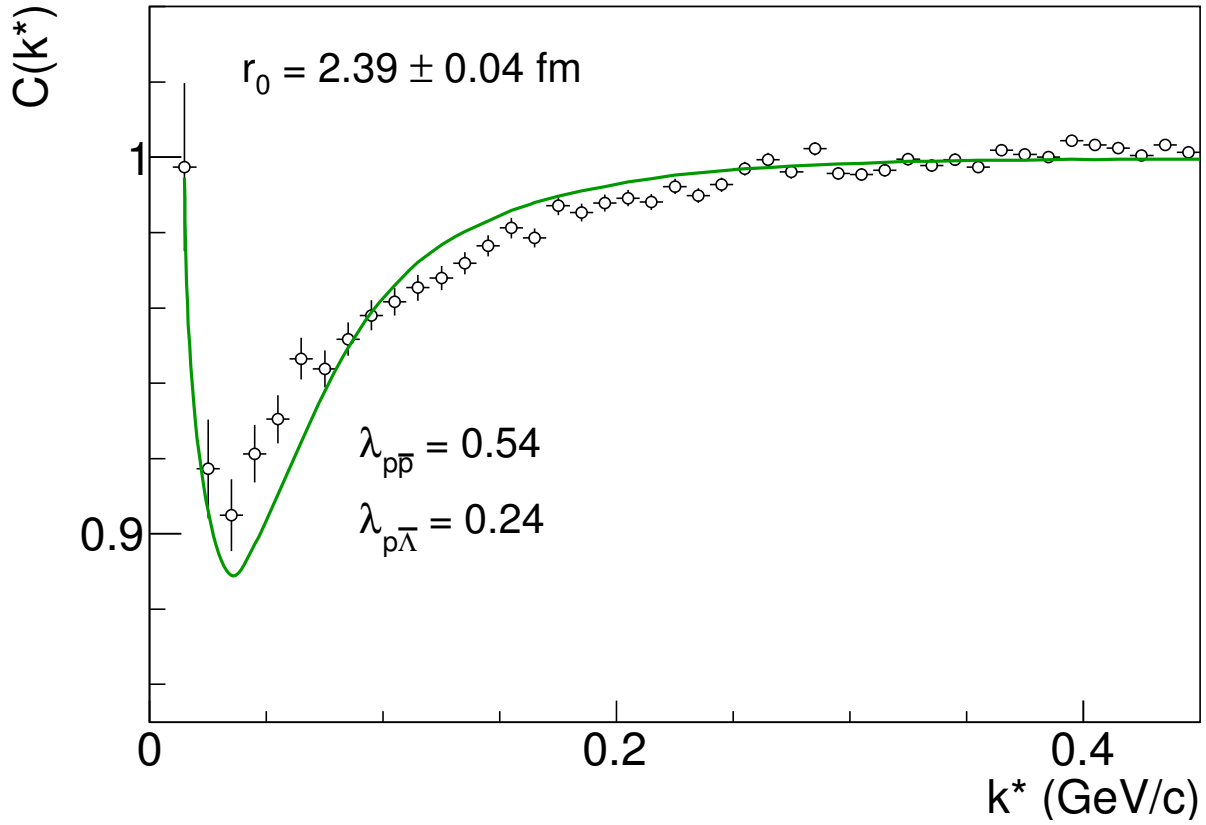
##### AQM

##### Simultaneous

##### Global



**Fig. 16:** Fit to  $p\bar{p}$  correlation function divided by  $\text{pol4}$ , centrality 10-30%



**Fig. 17:** Fit to  $p\bar{p}$  correlation function divided by  $\text{pol4}$ , centrality 30-50%

**R fixed****f0 fixed****3.3 Systematic uncertainties**

- non-femtoscopic background
- fractions (Hijing vs. Therminator)
- number of secondaries from material
- momentum resolution correction
- ALICE magnetic fields ++ vs. - -
- PID
- different scenarios for interaction parameters
- DCA templates
- $p\bar{\Lambda}$  vs.  $\bar{p}\Lambda$
- fitting procedure

**3.3.1 Momentum resolution**

Correction for momentum resolution is taken into account in the fitting procedure. Fit function is smeared with a gaussian function with the width corresponding the momentum resolution for the pairs of interest. Following formula is used:

$$C_c(q_c) = \int_{-3\sigma}^{+3\sigma} C_{th}(q_c - q) \text{Gaus}(q_t, \sigma)(q) |q_c - q|^2 dq, \quad (1)$$

where  $C_c$  is the corrected function,  $C_{th}$  is the ideal function,  $\sigma$  is the momentum resolution.

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