Measurements of Proton-Proton Correlation Function at High Baryon Density Region in Au+Au collisions

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The spatial-temporal extension and the final state interactions (FSI) between the pair of particles of interest can be studied through the measurement of the two-particle correlation function (CF) in high-energy nuclear collisions. In the past, most CF measurements have focused on meson-meson pairs (e.g., pion-pion), while measurements for baryon-baryon pairs are scarce. The FSI parameters are expected to be independent of the measured collision system and dynamic region, which is important to study the nucleon-nucleon and hyperon-nucleon interactions. Meanwhile the energy dependence of the source-size for baryon-baryon pair at high baryon density region can provide an unique insight on the study of QCD phase structure.

In this poster, we will present the measurements of proton-proton correlation functions from Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=3.2\text{-}7.7$ GeV, with the STAR experiment. With the Lednický-Lyuboshitz approach, source size parameters R_G , scattering length f_0 and effective range d_0 are extracted from different collision centrality, rapidity and collision energy. The proton-proton CF is simulated using the transport model UrQMD plus interaction potential, and compared to the measured results.

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