Production of quarkonia at RHIC

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 Sequential melting: Different states dissociate at different temperatures

Á. Mócsy, P. Petreczky, Phys. Rev. D77, 014501 (2008)



Quarkonia may serve as sQGP thermometer

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Contribution of different effects is not well understood

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Measuring the nuclear modification factor

$$R_{AA} = \frac{1}{\left\langle N_{coll} \right\rangle} \frac{dN_{AA} / dy}{dN_{pp} / dy}$$

Some other measurements and observables (not covered)

- Collectivity (azimuthal anisothropy v₂, radial flow)
- Polarization measurements
- Production in ultraperipheral collisions

Turning the knobs

- Collision energy: 39, 62.4, 200 GeV
 → Change relative contributions of dissociation and recombination
- System size/asymmetry: Au+Au, U+U; d+Au, Cu+Au ...
 - → Change relative contributions of hot/cold effects
 - \rightarrow Test sequential melting at different energy densities

Centrality

 \rightarrow Tune hot matter effects via path length

- Rapidity and momentum
 - \rightarrow Tune CNM and regeneration effects
- Charmonium vs. Bottomonium states
 - \rightarrow Test sequential melting
 - J/ψ is abundant but prone to various "disturbing" effects
 - Y is much less affected by regeneration and co-mover absorption



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 $\begin{aligned} |y| < 1 \\ J/\psi, \Upsilon \rightarrow e^+ e^- \end{aligned}$



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Both experiments: continuous improvements

to meet evolving physics goals New subsystems for enhanced PID, rates, coverage...





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Model comparison:

- prompt NLO CS+CO: describes the data for p_T > 4 GeV/c
- direct NNLO*CS:
 misses high- p_T part
- Prompt CEM: reasonable description of spectra, but overpredicts the data at p_T~3 GeV/c

direct NNLO CS: P.Artoisenet et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 101, 152001 (2008) and J.P.Lansberg private communication NLO CS+CO: Y.-Q.Ma, K.Wang, and K.T.Chao, Phys. Rev. D 84, 51 114001 (2011) and priv. con CEM: A.D. Frawley, T Ullrich, R. Vogt, Pys. Rept. 462 (2008) 125, and R.Vogt priv. comm.

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d+Au: J/ψ yields vs. rapidity

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- Forward-backward asymmetry
 - More suppression in "forward" (dgoing) than in "backward" (Au-going) direction
- CNM Model: Nuclear shadowing + final state ccbar break-up:

Eskola, Paukkunen, Salgado, JHEP 04065 (2009)

- Reasonably describes minimum bias R_{AA} vs. y
- Note: does not model centrality dependence very well



Cu+Au: hot and cold matter effects

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PHENIX: PRC 90, 064908 (2014)

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Nagle, Frawley, Levy, Wysocki, PRC 84, 044911 (2011)

- Qualitatively describes data
- No hot effects included

Consistent with stronger low-x gluon suppression in Au than Cu



Au+Au J/ ψ R_{AA} vs. beam energy



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Does coalescence compensate for melting?

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Model: X. Zhao, R.Rapp, PRC82, 064905 (2010)





Much less regeneration

High-p_T J/ ψ in Au+Au



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U+U: Higher energy densities



$J/\psi R_{AA}$ in 193 GeV U+U



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- U+U trend generally similar to Au+Au
- Indication of weaker suppression in central U+U

More coalescence in U+U than in Au+Au?

Υ in p+p – baseline



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R. Vogt, Phys. Rep. 462125, 2008

Υ in p+p – baseline and pQCD test



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- Models include
 - Gluon nPDF (Anti)shadowing
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- Indication of suppression at mid-rapidity beyond models

 $R_{dAu} = 0.48 \pm 0.14$ (stat) ± 0.07 (syst) ± 0.02 (pp stat) ± 0.06 (pp syst)

Υ R_{dAu} – CNM effects



 STAR data consistent with E772 despite difference in energy

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R_{AA} of Υ states in Au+Au



STAR: Phys.Lett. B735 (2014) 127



- Peripheral Y consistent with no suppression
- Central Y shows significant suppression
- Central Y(1S): indication of a suppression
- Excited states Y(2S) and Y(3S) consistent with complete melting

Y suppression pattern supports sequential melting

R_{AA} of Y states: Au+Au vs. U+U



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- Hint of their presence in U+U collisions

New U+U data extends Au+Au trend – is U+U different?

R_{AA} of Υ states: data vs. models



- No CNM effects, 428<T<443 MeV
- Potential model 'B' based on heavy quark internal energy
- Potential model 'A' based on heavy quark free energy (disfavored)

- Potential model, no CNM effects
- T=340 MeV, only excited states dissociate

Emerick, Zhao, Rapp, Eur.Phys.J A48, 72 (2012)

- CNM effects included
- Strong binding scenario

Suppression indicates Υ melting in a deconfined medium

However: CNM effects to be understood → RHIC 2015 p+Au run

Summary

Hot medium effects: Significant suppression of high- p_T J/ ψ , and similar Y(1S) suppression in central A+A collisions

- Y(2S) and Y(3S) suppression is stronger than Y(1S)
 → clear signal of melting in a deconfined medium
- Y suppression in most central collisions similar to LHC

J/ψ regeneration:

- Larger suppression at RHIC than LHC
- Similar suppression in central 39, 62.4 and 200 GeV data

CNM effects:

- Important role played for J/ψ and may be important for Υ
- Forward-Backward difference in asymmetric systems: nuclear shadowing

U+U measurements: similar suppression patterns to Au+Au

- May be more J/ψ coalescence in central collisions
- Indication of Y(2S+3S). Confirmed central Y(1S) suppression

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~13.8 nb⁻¹ Au+Au data from 2014 – first results out!



Outlook: STAR HFT, PHENIX FVTX

- Innermost, silicon detector subsystems
- STAR HFT (2014) and PHENIX VTX (2011) at midrapidity
- PHENIX FVTX (2012) at forward rapidity
- Highly improved tracking with secondary vertex reconstruction
- \rightarrow Separation of prompt J/ ψ production and B \rightarrow J/ ψ

STAR Heavy Flavor Tracker



PHENIX VTX and FVTX



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Sunrise over the Keszthely bay

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Backup >>>

J/ψ in p+p – polarization



- 2<pT<6 GeV/c</p>
- STAR+PHENIX consistent with NLO +CSM
 - Higher statistics needed to discriminate
- p+p 500 GeV results will improve precision for future CNM calculations

J/ψ spectra, p+p at 500 GeV



$J/\psi x_T$ -scaling



$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{2\pi p_T \, dp_T \, dy} = g(x_T)/(\sqrt{s})^n$$

200 GeV:

• high- $p_T x_T$ -scaling with n = 5.6 ± 0.2 Phys. Rev. C 80, 041902 (2009)

 Breaking of scaling: transition to soft processes

500 GeV:

 x_T-scaling present down to lower p_T

Experimental approaches

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$$R_{AA} = \frac{1}{N_{coll}} \frac{dN_{AA} / dy}{dN_{pp} / dy}$$

Participation in collectivity

$$\frac{dN}{d\phi} \sim 1 + \sum_{n} 2v_n \cos\left(n\left(\phi - \phi_{RP}\right)\right)$$



PHENIX dilepton invariant mass



J/ψ spectra in Au+Au at 200 GeV

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 Tsallis Blast-Wave prediction
 - Small radial flow?
 - Recombination at low p_T?

Tsallis Blast-Wave:

Hydro-inspired freezeout

Particles produced according to a Lévydistribution



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- Viscous hydrodynamics
 - J/ψ decouples at 120..165 MeV
 - fails at low-p_T

• Y. Liu et al.

- Includes J/ψ suppression due to color screening
- Includes statistical regeneration
- peripheral: initial production dominates. central: regeneration becomes more significant at low p_T.



Y. Liu et al., Phys. Lett. B 678, 72 (2009) U. W. Heinz and C. Shen (2011), private communication.

Coalescence of charm quarks is needed

J/ψ azimuthal anisotropy (v₂)



$J/\psi v_2$ consistent with non-flow at $p_T>2$ GeV/c

- Unique among hadrons!
- Regardless of centrality
- Thermalized charm quark coalescence does not dominate production

Cu+Au CNM effects



Forward (Cu-going):

- J/psi probes Cu gluons at high-x, Au gluons at low-x
- Short proper crossing time in Au probes Eloss
- Long crossing proper time in Cu → ccbar breakup

Backward (Au-going) The other way round

Direct vs. regenerated J/psi vs. $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$



L. Grandchamp and R. Rapp, Nucl. Phys. A709, 415 (2002)

STAR Y measurements – summary



- p+p @ 200 GeV
- p+p @ 500 GeV
 - pQCD benchmark
 - Reference for A+A
- d+Au @ 200 GeV
 - CNM effects

Au+Au

- Hot nuclear matter effects
- Sequential suppression

U+U

- Further tests of sequential melting
- N_{part} dependence

Upsilons in p+p 500 GeV



- Precise measurements
- Uncorrected spectra so far

R_{AA} : RHIC & LHC comparison



- LHC and RHIC suppressions are comparable at high N_{part}
- N_{part} dependence of Υ suppression appears weaker at the LHC

Is suppression driven by energy density?

 \rightarrow Note the uncertainties, however

Excited Y states – LHC comparison



■ RHIC $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ =200 GeV Au+Au and LHC $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ =2.76 TeV Pb+Pb collisions: Similar suppression of central Y(1S)

RHIC/STAR

- **Reconstruction:** $J/\psi \rightarrow e^+e^- (B_{ee} \sim 6\%)$ Υ → e⁺e⁻ (B_{ee} ~ 2.4%)
- TPC
 - dE/dx PID
 - Large acceptance, uniform in a wide energy range
- TOF
 - PID using flight time
- BEMC
 - High-p_⊤ trigger
 - JE/dx (keV/cm) PID using E/p and shower shape
- VPD
 - Minimum bias events

