# Quark-Gluon Plasma Physics

# **10.b Quarkonia and Deconfinement**

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#### 10.1 Quarkonia

- Quarkonia are heavy quark antiquark bound states, i.e. ccbar and bbar
- since masses of charm and beauty quarks are high as compared to QCD scale parameter Λ<sub>QCD</sub> ~ 200 MeV non-relativistic Schrödinger equation can be used to find bound states

$$\left(-\frac{\nabla^2}{2(m_Q/2)} + V(r)\right)\Psi(\vec{r}) = E\Psi(\vec{r})$$

with quark-antiquark potential of the form

$$\begin{split} V(r) &= \sigma r - \frac{4}{3} \frac{\alpha_s}{r} + \frac{32\pi\alpha_s}{9} \frac{\vec{s_1} \cdot \vec{s_2}}{m_Q^2} \delta(\vec{r}) + \dots \\ & \text{confinement} \\ & \text{color Coulomb int.} \\ & \text{spin-spin int.} \\ & \text{tensor, spin-orbit, higher} \\ & \text{order rel. corr.} \end{split}$$

• with  $\sigma \sim 0.9$  GeV/fm,  $\alpha_s(m_Q) \sim 0.35$  and 0.20 for  $m_c$ =1.5 and  $m_b$ =4.6 GeV obtain spectrum of quarkonia

#### **Charmonium and Bottomonium spectra**



color singlet states

# **10.2 Charmonia at finite temperature**

consider T« m<sub>c</sub> so QGP of gluons, u,d,s quarks and antiquarks, no thermal heavy quarks consider ccbar in thermal environment of gluons and light quarks

 $V(r) \to V_{eff}(r, T)$  and  $m_Q \to m_Q(T)$ 

in QGP color singlet and color octet ccbar states can mix by absorption or emission of a soft gluon

 $\rightarrow$  modification of V<sub>eff</sub>



- reduced string tension as T approaches T<sub>c</sub>
- string breaking due to thermal qqbar and gluons leading to D and Dbar
- for T>T<sub>c</sub> confining part disappears and short range Coulomb part is Debye screened to give Yukawa type potential

$$V_{eff}(r,T) \rightarrow -\frac{4}{3} \frac{\alpha_s}{r} e^{-r/\lambda_D}$$

$$\omega_D = 1/\lambda_D$$

Debye screening mass and length

#### **Debye screening of quarkonia**

unlike Coulomb potential, Yukawa potential does not always have bound states  $\rightarrow$  dissociation of quarkonia if  $\omega_D$  sufficiently large at high T

idea: T. Matsui, H. Satz, Phys. Lett. B 178 (1986) 416

compare Bohr radius of charmonia  $r_B$  and Debye screening length  $\lambda_D$ 

for  $r_B$  smaller than  $\lambda_D$  bound states exist even for  $\sigma$ =0 for  $r_B$  larger than  $\lambda_D$  no bound states

equivalently to QED where  $r_B(hydrogen) = 1/(m_e \alpha)$  we have:  $r_B = 3/(2m_Q \alpha_s)$ and the Debye screening mass:  $\omega_D^2 = \frac{4\pi\hbar c}{3} \alpha_s T^2 (N_c + \frac{1}{2}N_f)$ 

(see textbooks, e.g. Yagi, Hatsuda, Miake, chapter 4, finite temperature field theory)

bound states then disappear for

 $T \ge 0.15 \times m_Q \sqrt{\alpha_s} \approx 0.16 \,\text{GeV} \,\text{for J}/\psi \,\text{and} \, 0.46 \,\text{for }\Upsilon$ 

### **Different quarkonia melt at different temperatures**

using 
$$V(r,T) = \frac{\sigma}{\omega_D(T)} (1 - \exp(-\omega_D(T)r)) - \frac{\alpha_s}{r} \exp(-\omega_D(T)r)$$

F. Karsch and H. Satz, Z.Physik C51 (1991) 209					
	$\mathbf{J}/\psi$	$\psi$ '	$\chi_c$	Υ	Υ,
state	1s	2s	1p	1s	2s
mass(GeV)	3.1	3.7	3.5	9.4	10.0
r (fm)	0.45	0.88	0.70	0.23	0.51
$T_D/T_c$	1.17	1.0	1.0	2.62	1.12
$\epsilon_D$	1.92	1.12	1.12	43.3	1.65
$(\text{GeV}/\text{fm}^3)$					

exact values very model dependent, but basic feature: J/ $\psi$ ,  $\psi$ ',  $\chi_c$ ,  $\Upsilon$ ' not bound at or little above T<sub>c</sub>,  $\Upsilon$  survives longer



# **Results on Debye screening from lattice QCD**

- after two decades of debate, now some agreement how to extract effective heavy quark potential

- starting from: color singlet free energy  $\rightarrow$  general consensus: potential has real and imaginary part



 considering formation time of hadrons, they should not form at high T at all



# Hadronization of charm quarks

all charm quarks have to appear in charmed hadrons at hadronization of QGP J/ $\psi$  can form again from deconfined quarks in particular, if number of cc pairs is large (colliders) - N<sub>J/ $\psi$ </sub>  $\propto$  N<sub>cc</sub><sup>2</sup> (P. Braun-Munzinger and J. Stachel,Phys. Lett. B490 (2000) 196)





#### Extension of statistical model to include charmed hadrons

 assume: all charm quarks are produced in initial hard scattering; number not changed in QGP

 $N_{c\bar{c}}^{direct}$  from data (total charm cross section) or from pQCD

hadronization at T<sub>c</sub> following grand canonical statistical model used

for hadrons with light valence quarks (canonical corr. if needed) technically number of charm quarks fixed by a charm-balance equation containing fugacity  $g_c$ 

$$N_{c\bar{c}}^{direct} = \frac{1}{2}g_c V(\sum_i n_{D_i}^{therm} + n_{\Lambda_i}^{therm}) + g_c^2 V(\sum_i n_{\psi_i}^{therm}) + \dots$$

the only additional free parameter

# **10.3 Production of charmonia in hadronic collisions**



 charm and beauty quarks are produced in early hard scattering processes

- most important Feynman diagram: gluon fusion
- formation of quarkonia requires transition to a color singlet state

not pure perturbative QCD anymore, some modelling required

by now rather successful



#### **Relevant time scales**

formation of ccbar: in hard initial scattering on time scale  $1/2m_c$ with  $m_c = 1.3 \text{ GeV} \rightarrow \tau_{ccbar} = 0.08 \text{ fm/c}$ 

typical hadron formation time: τ<sub>hadron</sub> order 1 fm/c
 (Blaizot/Ollitrault 1989 Hüfner, Ivanov, Kopeliovich, and Tarasov 2000)
 W. Brooks, QM09: description of recent JLAB and HERMES hadron production data in color dipole model -> time scale 5 fm/c

comparable to or longer than QGP formation time:  $\tau_{QGP} \cong 1$  fm/c at SPS, < 0.5 fm/c at RHIC,  $\cong 0.1$  fm/c at LHC

at LHC even color octet state not formed before QGP (H.Satz 2006)  $\tau_8 = 1/\sqrt{2m_c\Lambda_{\rm QCD}} \approx 0.25\,{\rm fm}$ 

collision time:  $t_{coll} = 2R/\gamma_{cm}$  at RHIC 0.1 fm/c, at LHC < 5 10<sup>-3</sup> fm/c

#### Time scales continued



ccbar pairs are formed at collision time scale  $t_{coll} = \tau_{ccbar}$ 

collision time scale comparable to plasma formation time scale and hadron formation time scale at FAIR and SPS  $t_{coll} = \tau_{ccbar} \cong \tau_{QGP} \cong \tau_{hadron}$  making theoretical treatment difficult

but at RHIC and much more pronounced at LHC there is a hierarchy of timescales:  $t_{coll} = \tau_{ccbar} \ll \tau_{QGP} \ll \tau_{hadron}$ 

expect that cold nuclear matter absorption effects decrease from SPS to RHIC and are totally irrelevant at LHC

#### **Measurement of charm cross section in PbPb collisions**

a huge experimental challenge due to the large combinatorial background requires excellent vertexing capabilities of experiment and particle identification



### Measurement of charm cross section in PbPb collisions



first D<sup>0</sup> measurement in central PbPb down to p<sub>t</sub>=0 dN/dy = 6.819 ± 0.457 (stat.)  $^{+0.912}_{-0.936}$  (syst.) ± 0.054 (BR) assume fragmentation like in SHMc  $\rightarrow$  charm cross section dN<sub>ccbar</sub>/dy = 13.7 ± 2.1 corresponing to g<sub>c</sub> = 31.4 ± 4.8

use this as new basis for PbPb predictions from SHMc

outlook to LHC Run3/4: with upgraded ALICE detector and 50 kHz PbPb collisions  $\rightarrow\,$  precision measurement of all singly charmed hadrons down to  $p_t=0$ 

# **10.4 Measurement of quarkonia**

$$\begin{split} &\mathrm{BR}(\mathrm{J}/\psi\to\mathrm{hadrons})\approx0.88\\ &\mathrm{BR}(\mathrm{J}/\psi\to\mathrm{e^+e^-})\approx0.06\\ &\mathrm{BR}(\mathrm{J}/\psi\to\mu^+\mu^-)\approx0.06\\ &\mathrm{BR}(\psi'\to\mathrm{hadrons})\approx0.98\\ &\mathrm{of\ these\ BR}(\psi'\to\mathrm{J}/\psi)\approx0.60\\ &\mathrm{BR}(\psi'\to\mu^+\mu^-)\approx0.008 \end{split}$$

J/ $\psi$ ,  $\psi$ ' and  $\Upsilon$  via e+e- or  $\mu$ + $\mu$ - $\chi_c$  very difficult, usually done via

 $\chi_{\rm c} \to {\rm J}/\psi + \gamma$ 

of measured J/ $\psi$  typically

 $\approx 60\% \text{ directly produced}$  $\approx 10\% \text{ from } \psi' \to J/\psi$  $\approx 30\% \text{ from } \chi_c \to J/\psi$ 

 $\begin{aligned} &\mathrm{BR}(\Upsilon \to \mathrm{hadrons}) \approx 0.90\\ &\mathrm{BR}(\Upsilon \to \mathrm{e^+e^-}) \approx 0.025\\ &\mathrm{BR}(\Upsilon \to) \mu^+ \mu^- \approx 0.025 \end{aligned}$ 



# **10.5 Charmonia in nuclear collisions**

in pA collisions at moderate energies (200-450 GeV) universal picture: prehadronic state absorbed in nuclear matter (Gerschel, Hüfner 1992)

 $\sigma(J/\psi) \propto exp(-\rho\sigma_{abs}L)$ 

with  $ho = 0.17/{
m fm}^3$ and  $\sigma_{
m abs} = 4.1 \pm 0.4 {
m mb}$ 

light nuclear collisions follow the same picture



# $J/\psi$ production in PbPb collisions at SPS energy



in central PbPb collisions about 40% less J/ $\psi$  than expected from pA systematics

#### SPS data consistent with suppression at critical density

dissolution in QGP at critical density n<sub>c</sub> (red dashes) and in addition effect of energy density fluctuations (solid)



 $n_c = 3.7 / \text{fm}^2$ 

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# $J/\psi$ production in AuAu collisions at RHIC



at mid-rapidity suppression at RHIC very similar to SPS suppression at forward/backward rapidity stronger!

> - but prediction (see above): at hadronization of QGP,  $J/\psi$  can form from deconfined quarks, in particular if number of ccbar pairs is large  $N_{J/\psi} \propto N_{cc}^2$

#### What to expect for LHC?



# Energy dependence of quarkonium production in statistical hadronization model



note: stat. model does not make any prediction about ccbar production cross section, this is input; depending on ccbar cross section in nuclear collisions at LHC there can be  $J/\psi$  enhancement

## Reconstruction of J/ $\psi$ in PbPb collisions at LHC



photoproduction in ultra-peripheral PbPb collisions – excellent signal to background very good understanding of line shape <u>most challenging: central PbPb collisions</u> in spite of formidable combinatorial background (true electrons, not from  $J/\psi$  decay but e.g. Dor B-mesons) resonance well visible

#### mid |y| < 0.8



# $J\!/\psi$ production in PbPb collisions: LHC relative to RHIC



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#### $J/\psi$ and statistical hadronization



production in PbPb collisions at LHC consistent with deconfinement and subsequent statistical hadronization within present uncertainties main uncertainties for models: open charm cross section

# Systematics of hadron production in SHM



# Systematics of $\psi$ (2S) production

in picture where  $\psi$  is created from deconfined quarks in QGP or at hadronization,  $\psi(\text{2S})$  is suppressed more than J/ $\psi$ 



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# $\psi$ (2S) in PbPb collisions at the LHC



excited state population suppressed by Boltzmann factor - first measurement in PbPb

- first measurement in PbPb down to p<sub>t</sub>=0
- data 1.8  $\sigma$  above SHMc for most central bin

future opportunity: higher precision  $\psi(2S)$ , also mid-y  $\chi_c$  maybe only in ALICE3?

deconfinement temperature from charmonium spectrum (see homework)

# $J/\psi$ transverse momentum spectra from stat. hadr.



good agreement up to 5 GeV/c without any free parameters  $J/\psi$  formed at hadronization at T<sub>c</sub> from thermalized charm quarks flowing with the rest of the medium

# **10.6 Bottomonium states**



consistent with expectation that more loosely bound 2S and 3S states are more strongly suppressed

not consistent with just excited state suppression (LHCb data: only 25 % feed-down in pp at LHC)

genuine  $\Upsilon$  suppression

- real and imaginary part of potential at finite temperature play a role
- similarity of RHIC and LHC suppression reminiscent of SPS and RHIC for  $J/\psi$
- possibility of statistical hadronization?

# **Bottomonia in SHMb assuming full thermalization**



indeed, assumption of fully thermalized b-quarks fails to reproduce Y(1S) by factor 2-3 for central collisions but: g<sub>b</sub> = 10<sup>9</sup> i.e. Y is scaled up from thermal yield by 10<sup>18</sup>
so, to come without any free parameter within a factor 2-3 is not a minor feat

# **Bottomonia assuming partial thermalization**



30 - 50 % thermalization fraction reproduces Y yields  $\rightarrow$  could be in line with open beauty energy loss and flow