#### **Quark-Gluon Plasma Physics**

6. statistical hadronization model and charm, part 1 quarkonia and deconfinement

#### 6.1 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-quark potential of the form

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

• with  $\sigma$  ~ 0.9 GeV/fm,  $\alpha_s(m_Q)$  ~ 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

## 6.2 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  $T_c$
- 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 
$$V(r,T) = \frac{\sigma}{\omega_D(T)} (1 - \exp(-\omega_D(T)r)) - \frac{\alpha}{r} \exp(-\omega_D(T)r)$$

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

agree qualitatively, quantitatively after a decade of debate, now some agreement how to extract effective heavy quark potential starting from: color singlet free energy general consensus: potential has real and imaginary part



# 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> E MEAMAERAKEENA N<sub>cc</sub><sup>2</sup>

(P. Braun-Munzinger and J. Stachel, Phys. Lett. B490 (2000) 196, Nature 448 (2007) 302-309)

expect J/ $\psi$  suppression at low beam energies (SPS, RHIC) and J/ $\psi$  enhancement at high energies (LHC)



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

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

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#### 6.3 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: Thadron 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:  $\tau_{QGP}$ r 1 fm/c at SPS, < 0.5 fm/c at RHIC, r 0.1 fm/c at LHC

at LHC even color octet state not formed before QGP (H.Satz 2006)

$$au_8 = 1/\sqrt{2m_c\Lambda_{\rm QCD}} \approx 0.25\,{\rm fm}$$

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  $t_{coll} = \tau_{ccbar} \cong \tau_{QGP} \cong \tau_{hadron}$ 

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

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

#### Measurement of total charm production cross section



#### very hard struggle to deal with (irreducible) combinatorial background, successful

# the total ccbar cross section in pp at LHC



- good agreement between ALICE, ATLAS and LHCb
- still large syst. error due to extrapolation to low p<sub>t</sub>, need to push measurements in that direction
- data factor 2 ± 0.5 above central value of pQCD but well within uncertainty

#### 9.4 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 Y 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

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

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



#### 6.5 charmonia in nuclear collisions

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

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

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  $n_c$  (red dashes) and in addition with energy density fluctuations (solid)



# 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/ψ can form from deconfined quarks, in particular if number of ccbar pairs is large
- note that N<sub>J/ψ</sub> is proportional to N<sub>cc</sub><sup>2</sup> in the statistical hadronization model

#### 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

![](_page_22_Figure_5.jpeg)

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

![](_page_23_Figure_1.jpeg)

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

![](_page_24_Figure_1.jpeg)

production in PbPb collisions at LHC consistent with deconfinement and subsequent statistical hadronization within present uncertainties main uncertainties for models: open charm cross section due to shadowing in Pb newest results: strong enhancement at low transverse momentum  $R_{AA}$  reaches unity for central collisions at mid-rapidity also note enhancement at high  $p_T$  (ATLAS coll.)

![](_page_25_Figure_1.jpeg)

#### systematics of hadron production in SHM

![](_page_26_Figure_1.jpeg)

yield exactly reproduced with stat hadr. of deconfined and thermalized c-quarks from initial hard scattering (fugacity)

## first information on Upsilon states for PbPb at LHC

![](_page_27_Figure_1.jpeg)

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

open question today: could also Upsilon form statistically at hadronization? Magnitude of  $R_{AA}$  ok for this