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Quarkonium Production in p+p Collisions Measured by the STAR

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Quarkonium Measurement in p+p

- Understanding production mechanism in p+p.
 Heavy quarks are primarily produced in initial hard scatterings (Perturbative QCD)
- Formation of quarkonia state happens over long distances (Non-perturbative QCD)



- Evolution of heavy-quark pair into quarkonium states is usually parameterized by phenomenological models
- Color-Evaporation Model (CEM) Phys. Rept. 462, 125 (2008)
 All pairs with invariant mass less than open heavy flavor threshold forms quarkonium states
- Non- Relativistic Quantum Chromodynamics (NRQCD) PRL 106, 042002 (2011)
 Based on effective field theory where formation of quarkonium state is dependent on long-distance matrix elements (LDMEs)
- Baseline of Heavy-ion Measurements.

See Nihar Sahoo's talk for STAR heavy-ion results

The STAR Experiment



- **TPC** : Tracking (momentum measurement, particle identification) ($|\eta| < 1.5$, $0 < \varphi < 2\pi$)
- **TOF** : Particle identification at high $p_T(|\mathbf{\eta}| < 1, 0 < \varphi < 2\pi)$
- **BEMC** : Triggering and identification of high-p_T electrons ($|\eta| < 1$, $0 < \varphi < 2\pi$)
- **MTD** : Triggering and identification of muons ($|\eta| < 0.5$, 45% in ϕ)

J/ψ (cc̄) Production

J/Ψ Reconstruction

p+p, √s = 200 GeV



 $J/\psi - > e^+ + e^-(BR = 5.9\%)$



 J/Ψ are reconstructed in both di-muon and di-electron decay channel

STAR: PLB 786, 87 (2018)

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J/ψ Cross-Section in p+p at 200 GeV



- Precise measurement than before, consistent with PHENIX
- All models give reasonable description for the data

STAR: PLB **786**, 87 (2018) PHENIX : PRD 82, 012001 (2010)

J/ψ Cross-Section in p+p at 500 GeV



- Precise measurement of J/ Ψ cross-section up to $p_T = 20 \text{ GeV/c}$
- Low p_T reach is extended through di-muon channel
- All models give reasonable description for the data, mainly at high $\ensuremath{p_{\text{T}}}$

Available model

NRQCD : PRL 106, 042002 (2011) PRL 113, 192301 (2014)

ICEM: Phys. Rept. 462, 125 (2008)

STAR : PRD 100 (2019) 52009

J/ψ Production Vs Event Activity



- Correlation between soft and hard processes
- Stronger-than-linear growth in high mult. events
- Similar trend at RHIC and LHC

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Percolation: PRC 86 (2012) 034903

J/ψ Production Vs Event Activity



• Similar trend at RHIC and LHC

- Available model explain data,
 - measurement in larger multiplicity bins is important

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 J/ψ (cc̄) Production Associated with Jet

J/ψ Production Associated with Jet



Reconstructed J/ ψ in different jet activity categories (left to right: N_{iet} = 0 to N_{iet} = 2)

J/ψ Production Vs Jet Activity



- Production cross section of J/ψ as a function of jet activity (number of jets per event)
- Inconsistency in shape between PYTHIA and data mainly for R = 0.6 (p-value = 0.01) arXiv: 2110.09447

J/ψ Production in Jets



- First measurement of J/ψ production in jets at RHIC
- Unlike PYTHIA, no significant z dependence observed within uncertainties for z <1
- Provide further constrain on models

J/ψ (cc) Polarization

Polarization Measurement

- Measure the spin-alignment of vector meson with respect to a chosen direction.
- Polarization can be measured through the angular distribution of the daughter particle

 $\frac{\partial^2 N}{\partial cos\theta \partial \varphi} \propto 1 + \lambda_\theta cos^2 \theta + \lambda_\varphi sin^2 \theta cos(2\varphi) + \lambda_{\theta\varphi} sin(2\theta) cos\varphi$

 $(\lambda_{\theta}, \lambda_{\phi}, \lambda_{\theta\phi}) = (0,0,0) \rightarrow$ No polarization $(\lambda_{\theta}, \lambda_{\phi}, \lambda_{\theta\phi}) = (-1,0,0) \rightarrow$ longitudinal polarization $(\lambda_{\theta}, \lambda_{\phi}, \lambda_{\theta\phi}) = (+1,0,0) \rightarrow$ transverse polarization

Polarization axis :

Helicity (HX) Frame:

Direction of vector meson in the collision center of mass frame

Collins-Soper (CS) Frame: the bisector of the angle between the beam and the opposite of the other beam, in the vector meson rest frame



J/ψ Polarization Measurement



- The inclusive J/ψ's do not exhibit significant transverse or longitudinal polarization
 - No significant p_T dependence
- Available model explain data within the measured uncertainties

ICEM: PRD 98 (2018) 114029. NLO+NRQCD: PRL 110 (2013) 042002 CGC+NRQCD: JHEP 12 (2018) 057. STAR: PRD 102 (2020) 92009 Upsilon(bb) Production

Upsilon Reconstruction in p+p at 500 GeV

 $\Upsilon \to e^+ + e^-[BR = 2.3(1S), 1.9(2S), 2.1(3S)]$



Upsilon are reconstructed in di-electron decay channel in p+p 500 GeV, more precise compared to published result in p+p 200 GeV

STAR : PRD 82 (2010) 12004

Upsilon cross section in p+p collisions



- Spectra for Y(1S) and Y(2S+3S)
- Models agree with data reasonably well, CGC+NRQCD model seems to over predicts at low pT



- STAR results follow the world data trend
- Consistent with the Color Evaporation Model calculation

Upsilon Production Vs Event Activity



CGC/Sat: EPJC 97(5) 376(2019)

- Stronger-than-linear growth in high mult. events
- PYTHIA, CGC model reproduce the trend in the data
- Upsilon shows similar trend like J/ψ when plotted against event activity

Summary

The recent results on quarkonium production in p+p collisions from STAR are presented

J/ψ <u>Production</u>:

- Precise and more differential measurement of J/ψ cross-section.
- J/ψ do not exhibit significant polarization

<u> Y Production:</u>

- More precise measurement at $v_s = 500$ GeV compared to published results at 200 GeV.
- Upsilon cross section (186± 14(stat) ± 33(sys) pb) at 500 GeV follow world data trend predicted by Color Evaporation Model

Current measurement along with model calculation could provide better understanding on quarkonium production mechanism in p+p collisions

Outlook

New results to be available soon using Run 17 and 22 data in p+p @ 510 GeV

Integrated luminosity ~ 750 pb⁻¹ for BHT e and ~ 375 pb⁻¹ for di-muon triggers



Projection for J/ ψ and Y in p+p using 2017+2022 data

