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# Measurements of Quarkonium Polarization and Production versus Charged-Particle Multiplicity in p+p Collisions at √s = 500 GeV in the STAR experiment

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## Quarkonia in p+p collisions

- **Quarkonium Production mechanism** in elementary collisions is not fully understood
  - Color singlet vs color octet intermediate state

### > **Different models on the market:**

- Color Singlet Model
- Color Evaporation Model
- NRQCD approach applicable at high  $p_T$
- CGC+NRQCD applicable at low  $p_{T}$

#### Feed-down

Inclusive J/ $\psi$  production:

- **prompt J/ψ** 
  - direct J/ $\psi$  (~60%), feed down from  $\psi$ (2S) (~10%) and  $\chi_c$  (~30%) decays
- non-prompt J/ψ: B-mesons feed-down (10-25% at 4-12 GeV/c, STAR: Phys. Lett. B722 (2013) 55)

#### Measurements of quarkonium production and polarization - tests of different production models, help to understand QCD



### Quarkonia in the STAR Experiment $J/\psi / \Upsilon \rightarrow e^+ e^-, \mu^+ \mu^ 0 < \phi < 2\pi$ e: |η| < 1, *μ*: |η| < 0.5 VPD - minimum bias trigger - TPC tracking MTD - tri **PID: dE/dx** on muon TOF - time improve BEMC - PID: E/p resolution < 100 ps<u>low-p</u> J/ψ

trigger on electron high-p<sub>T</sub> J/ψ

**PID: 1/β** 

### J/Ψ production in p+p 500 GeV



114001, JHEP 1505 (2015) 103 and private communication Kuang-Ta Chao, Hao Han, Hua-Sheng Shao

## $J/\Psi x_{\tau}$ scaling in p+p collisions

 $x_{_{\rm T}}$  scaling observed in STAR at 200 and 500 GeV

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

- ✓  $p_T > 5$  GeV/c J/ $\psi$ production follows the  $x_T$ scaling of cross-section at mid-rapidity, with n ~ 5.6
  - → x<sub>T</sub> scaling breaking transition from hard to
    soft process



Phys. Rev. C 80, 041902 (2009)

*n – number of constituents taking an active role in hadron production* 

### Quarkonium production vs. event activity TAR

In high energy proton-proton collisions Multi-Parton Interactions (MPI) may be important on a hard scale. At LHC correlation between quarkonium production and event activity has been observed.



#### MPI? String screening? or ?

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  - Similar trend at LHC for J/ $\psi$  and open charm production



### J/Ψ production vs. event activity - models stAR

### - Correlation between relative J/ $\psi$ yield and relative event multiplicity



#### → Possible explanations:

- Multiple parton-parton interactions *PYTHIA 8* 
  - → Default Pythia tune,  $p_T dependence$
- String screening *percolation model* – quadratic dependence at high multiplicities
  - → PRC 86 (2012) 034903, and private communication
- Hadronic activity associated with J/ $\psi$  production

- Percolation Model and PYTHIA8 (in two  $p_{\rm T}$  bins) can describe the observed correlation

 In order to distinguish between the models measurements need to be extended to higher event activity bins – in progress

## J/Ψ polarization



- $\cdot$  Polarization provides further constraints on J/ $\psi$  production models
  - Similar production cross-sections but different production mechanisms in competing theoretical approaches lead to different polarization
    - CSM vs different NRQCD calculations

 $J/\psi$  polarization can be analyzed via the angular distribution of the decay lepton pair:

 $\frac{d\sigma}{d(\cos\theta)d\phi} \propto 1 + \lambda_{\theta}\cos^2\theta + \lambda_{\theta\phi}\sin(2\theta)\cos\phi + \lambda_{\phi}\sin^2\theta\cos(2\phi)$ 



- $\theta$  polar angle between momentum of a positive lepton in the J/ $\psi$  rest frame and the polarization axis *z*
- $\phi$  corresponding azimuthal angle

Polarization z axis:

- *Helicity (HX) frame*: along the  $J/\psi$  momentum in the center of mass of the colliding beams
- *Collins-Soper (CS) frame*: bisector of the angle formed by one beam direction and the opposite direction of the other beam in the J/ψ rest frame

### **Polarization parameters**



## J/Ψ polarization in p+p 200 and 500 GeVstAR

#### $\lambda_{\theta}$ parameter in HX frame



- Similar trend observed in 500 and 200 GeV p+p collisions
- P RHIC data indicate trend towards longitudinal polarization with increasing  $p_{\text{T}}$
- → Measurement extended to higher  $p_T$  range, 5 <  $p_T$  < 16 GeV/c, with new 500 GeV data

PHENIX: Phys. Rev. D 82, 012001 (2010) STAR 200 GeV: Phys.Lett. B739 (2014) 180

## J/W polarization vs model predictions



#### $\lambda_{\theta}$ parameter in HX frame

#### <u>200 GeV</u>

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Consistency with NLO+ CSM prediction

### <u>500 GeV</u>

STAR data can help to constrain
 color-octet Long-Distance Matrix
 Elements for the NLO NRQCD

→ Predictions that can describe cross-sections well have little prediction power for the polarization – input from data needed

#### $\lambda_{\theta}$ parameter in HX frame



 $x_T = 2p_T/\sqrt{s}$ 

- → Common trend towards strong negative values with increasing  $x_{\tau}$
- $\Rightarrow x_{T}$  scaling of cross-section at  $p_{T} > 5$  GeV/c

## $\lambda_{o}$ and $\lambda_{inv}$ parameters in HX frame





 No strong azimuthal anisotropy observed in the HX frame

→ Negative values of the frame invariant  $\lambda_{inv}$  parameter

## J/Ψ polarization in CS frame





- → Different values of the  $\lambda_{\theta}$  and  $\lambda_{\phi}$  polarization parameters in the CS frame
- → Frame invariant parameters,  $\lambda_{inv}$ , consistent in both frames
- → Trend towards longitudinal polarization with increasing  $p_T$

### Summary



✓ J/ψ p<sub>T</sub> spectra at  $\sqrt{s}$  = 200 and 500 GeV measured, can be described well by NRQCD predictions

 $\checkmark$  Increase of relative J/ $\psi$  yield with relative charged-particle multiplicity in p+p at  $\sqrt{s}$  = 500 GeV

- Stronger than linear rise at higher multiplicities at  $p_T > 4 \text{ GeV/c}$
- → PYTHIA8 and Percolation Model can describe the observed increase
- Similar trend as observed at LHC
- Longitudinal J/ $\psi$  polarization in HX frame at  $\sqrt{s}$  = 200 and 500 GeV
  - No strong azimuthal anisotropy observed
  - $x_{T}$  dependence of  $\lambda_{\theta}$  observed
- Frame invariant parameters agree in HX and CS frames at  $\sqrt{s}$  = 500 GeV
- ` Data will help to constrain J/ $\psi$  production models
- Υ analysis of cross-section at 500 GeV and relative yield vs event activity in progress – see Leszek Kosarzewski poster 0613

Thank you !

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STAR EMC : Phys. Lett. B 722 (2013) 55 STAR MB: Acta Phys. Polonica B Vol.5, No 2 (2012), 543

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- ✓ <u>CGC + NRQCD</u>, describes the data in the full  $p_{T}$  range

### J/Ψ production mechanism - CSM

## STAR

### Comparison of CSM to RHIC data



## Ψ(2S) in p+p 500 GeV

# • Constrain $\psi(2S)$ feed-down contribution to inclusive J/ $\psi$ production



✓ First measurement of ( $\psi(2S)$  / J/ $\psi$ ) ratio in p+p at 500 GeV

- Consistent with other experiments
- No collision energy dependence observed

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