

# Quarkonium production at STAR

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- What can we learn?
- Issues and open questions
- STAR detector
- Results
  - J/ $\psi$  in p+p and A+A
  - Υ
- Near future

Why?

#### **Relativistic Heavy Ion Collisions**



UrQMD Frankfurt

• c, b quarks produced early in the collision

 $\rightarrow$  good probe of created medium

- Quarkonium:
  - $c\overline{c}$  (J/ $\psi$ ,  $\psi$ ',  $\chi_c$  ...)  $b\overline{b}$  (\Upsilon, \Upsilon', \Upsilon'' ...)

#### Quark-Gluon Plasma



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## Sequential melting

#### $\rightarrow$ Temperature of QGP

T/T<sub>c</sub> 1/
$$\langle r \rangle$$
 [fm<sup>-1</sup>]  
2 - Y(1S)  
-  $\chi_b(1P)$   
1.2 J/ $\psi(1S)$  Y'(2S)  
 $\leq T_c$   $\chi_b'(2P)$  Y''(3S)  
 $\chi_c(1P)$   $\psi'(2S)$ 

A. Mocsy Eur.Phys.J.C61: 705-710,2009

#### Complications

#### "Normal" suppression



#### Nuclear absorption



#### **Effects in QGP**

- secondary production
- dissociation by gluons, energy loss

# Issues & Open questions

- Feed-down from excited states
  - same nuclear absorption and shadowing as 1s states?
- $B \rightarrow J/\psi$  feed-down
- Production mechanism
  - Color singlet or octet  $\rightarrow$  is energy loss in QGP important?
  - Recombination of  $c\overline{c}$  in QGP?
- Co-mover absorption

How to address these issues?

## High- $p_{T} J/\psi$

- Helps to constrain  $B \to J/\psi$  feed-down and production mechanism

#### Y

- Negligible co-mover abs. and recombination
- Less sensitive to nuclear absorption and shadowing

# STAR detector & analysis technique

#### STAR detector

#### **Time Projection Chamber**

Tracking:  $p_{\tau}$ ,  $\eta$ ,  $\phi$ PID via dE/dx

 $J/\psi \rightarrow e+e \Upsilon \rightarrow e+e-$ 

- Large acceptance:
- full  $2\pi$  coverage in  $\phi$

• |η|< 1

#### **Barrel E-M Calorimeter**

Electron ID via E/p Fast Trigger

#### **Shower Max Detector**

Spatial resolution Electron/hadron separation via shower shape

#### Experimental approach

1. baseline – **p+p** 

2. "cold" nuclear matter effects – **d+Au**  $R_{dAu} = \frac{1}{\langle N_{coll} \rangle} \frac{dN/dy^{dAu}}{dN/dy^{pp}}$ 

R<sub>AA (dAu)</sub> = 1 if no modification in the medium

3. modification in the hot/dense medium – Au+Au

 $R_{AA} = \frac{1}{\langle N_{coll} \rangle} \frac{dN/dy^{AuAu}}{dN/dy^{pp}}$ 

High-p<sub>T</sub> J/ψ

#### High-p<sub>T</sub> J/ $\psi$ in p+p and Cu+Cu 200 GeV





#### Tight cuts for correlation study

## J/ $\psi$ production: $p_{\tau}$ spectrum



NRQCD (LO Color-Octet + Color-Singlet) describes data well, little room for feed down G. C. Nayak, M. X. Liu, and F. Cooper, Phys. Rev. D68, 034003 (2003), and private communication

# NNLO Color-Singlet predicts a steeper $p_{\tau}$ dependence

*P. Artoisenet et al., Phys. Rev. Lett.* 101, 152001 (2008), and J.P. Lansberg private communication

#### Accessing B $\rightarrow J/\psi$ : J/ $\psi$ - h correlation



Thomas Ullrich, Workshop on Heavy Quark Production in HIC, Purdue Univ, 2011

- If  $B \to J/\psi$  then strong near side azimuthal corr.
- Model dependent: Pythia 8, LO NRQCD for prompt J/ $\psi$  production with  $\psi$ ',  $\chi_c$ , LO B production
- Little difference between CO and CS

#### High- $p_{T}$ J/ $\psi$ - h correlation

#### p+p 200 GeV:



#### $B \rightarrow J/\psi$ feed-down in p+p



No significant beam energy dependence

## High-p<sub>T</sub> J/ $\psi$ in-medium interactions

#### Cu+Cu 200 GeV



- Contrast to open charm suppression: CS vs. CO?
- Trend reproduced when B feed-down and formation time effects included

# Υ

Negligible co-mover abs. and recombination

Less sensitive to nuclear absorption and shadowing

Small combinatorial background

### $\Upsilon$ is a challenge

Small cross-section  $\rightarrow$  large luminosity required

#### Baseline: Y in p+p 200 GeV



Consistent with CEM, (inconsistent with CSM:  $\sim 2\sigma$ )

Phys. Rept. 462, 125 (2008)

#### Cold nucl. matter: Y in d+Au



- Consistent with N<sub>bin</sub> scaling
- Cold Nuclear Matter effects (shadowing) are rather small

#### $\Upsilon$ in Au+Au 200 GeV



- 4.6 $\sigma$  significance, 95 Signal counts in 8 < m < 11 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>
- Includes  $\Upsilon$ , Drell-Yan + bb

 $\Upsilon R_{AA}$  in Au+Au 200 GeV



 $\Upsilon$ (8.5<m<11 GeV) = N<sub>+-</sub> - 2√N<sub>++</sub>N<sub>--</sub> - ∫DY+bb̄ = 64±16(stat)± 25(sys)

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Need considerably more statistics to constrain theory

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# Summary & A look into the near future

Rich quarkonia program at STAR

- J/ $\psi$ : focus on high  $p_{_T}$ 
  - $p_{T}$  spectra, B feed-down
  - $R_{AA}$  in Cu+Cu at high-p<sub>T</sub> consistent with unity
- Y
  - first cross-section measurement in p+p at 200 GeV
  - d+Au:  $R_{dAu} = 0.78 \pm 0.28(stat) \pm 0.20(sys)$
  - Au+Au:

 $R_{AuAu} = 0.78 \pm 0.32(stat) \pm 0.22(sys,Au+Au) \pm 0.09(sys,p+p)$ 

#### Near future

- J/ψ
  - Polarization measurements at high  $p_{_{T}}$
  - $R_{AA}$  at high-p<sub>T</sub> in Au+Au 200 GeV
  - $J/\psi$  elliptic flow at 200 GeV
  - $J/\psi$  from Beam Energy Scan
- Y
  - New cross-section measurements in p+p and Au+Au 200 GeV
  - R<sub>AuAu</sub> vs centrality in Au+Au
  - Separation of  $\Upsilon$  from  $\Upsilon''$  and  $\Upsilon''$  states



# Backup

#### Low-p<sub>T</sub> J/ $\psi$ in Au+Au 200 GeV



- Model (green band) includes: color screening in QGP, dissociation in hadronic phase, statistical recombination, B  $\rightarrow$  J/  $\psi$  feed-down and formation time effects
- New Au+Au results with minimum inner material soon (5x higher statistics)

### J/ $\psi$ production test: high-p<sub>T</sub>



 $R_{AA}(p_T > 5 \text{ GeV/c}) =$ 1.4 ± 0.4 ± 0.2

• Contrast to strong suppression of open charm

B.Abedev et al., Phys.Rev.Lett. 98 (2007), 192301, S.Adler et al., Phys.Rev.Lett. 96(2006) 032301, [4] A. Adil and I. Vitev, Phys. Lett. B649, 139 (2007), and I. Vitev private communication; [3] S. Wicks et al., Nucl. Phys. A784, 426 (2007), and W. A. Horowitz private communication.

• Rising trend reproduced when B feed-down and formation time effects included [2] R. Rapp, X. Zhao, nucl-th/0806.1239

#### High $p_T J/\psi$ at STAR

Single High Tower trigger for high  $p_T J/\psi$ •Higher  $p_T$  electron: dE/dx (TPC) + EMC (p/E) + SMD (shower size and cluster position) •Lower- $p_T$  electron: dE/dx (TPC)



Heavy quarks = early productionInterpenetration time:  $t \approx 2R/\gamma$  $m_c \approx 1.3 \text{ GeV}$ SPS:  $t \ge 1fm$  $m_b \approx 4.2 \text{ GeV}$ RHIC:  $t \leqslant 0.2fm$  $t_c^{production} = 1/2m_c \leqslant 0.1fm$ LHC:  $t \leqslant 5 \times 10^{-3}fm$ 

# Yield Extraction 0-60% Centrality

• Do we see  $\Upsilon(1S+2S+3S)$  in 0-60% centrality?

- Yes!

Raw yield of 0 is many sigma away from minimum  $\chi^{\rm 2}$ 

