

#### **Recent Heavy-Flavor Results from STAR**

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## Contents

- Heavy quarks:  $m_{c/b} \gg \Lambda_{QCD}$ ,  $T_{QGP(RHIC)}$ 
  - Produced early in heavy-ion collisions through hard scatterings
  - Experience the whole evolution of the system
    - $\rightarrow$  good probe of medium properties
- Open heavy flavor  $(Q\bar{q}, Qqq)$ 
  - In medium energy loss, radiative + collisional  $\Delta E_g > \Delta E_{u,d,s} > \Delta E_c > \Delta E_b$
  - Charm quark diffusion, v<sub>n</sub>
  - Hadronization mechanism,  $D_s$ ,  $\Lambda_c^+$
- Quarkonium ( $Q\overline{Q}$ )
  - Dissociation :  $Q\overline{Q}$  potential color-screened in the medium
    - Sequential melting : different quarkonia dissociate at different temperatures
  - Regeneration





#### **STAR Detector**

**Time Of Flight detector: Time Projection Chamber:** PID (1/ $\beta$ ),  $|\eta| < 1$ ,  $0 < \phi < 2\pi$ Tracking, PID (dE/dx),  $|\eta| < 1$ ,  $0 < \phi < 2\pi$ 

**Muon Telescope Detector**: Trigger on and identify muons  $|\eta| < 0.5$ , 45% of  $0 < \phi < 2\pi$ , Less bremsstrahlung **Barrel ElectroMagnetic Calorimeter**: Trigger on and identify high-p<sub>T</sub> electrons  $|\eta| < 1, 0 < \phi < 2\pi$ 

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#### **Heavy Flavor Tracker**



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■ p+p

 $\circ \mathbf{K}^{\pm}$ π<sup>±</sup>

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#### **Open Charm Signals**



# **D<sup>0</sup>** p<sub>T</sub> Spectra

- D<sup>0</sup> measurement was much improved with the help of HFT
  - A factor of >15, in terms of significance

•  $p_T$ -integrated D<sup>0</sup> cross-section is nearly independent of centrality, and smaller than in p+p collisions. However, for  $p_T > 4$  GeV/c it increases towards peripheral collisions.



# $D^0 R_{AA}$

•  $R_{AA} < 1$  in the 0-10% centrality interval for all  $p_T$ 

- Suppression at high p<sub>T</sub> increases towards more central collisions
- Similar suppression trend as D-mesons at LHC and high- $p_T$  pions at RHIC



# $D^0 \operatorname{R}_{\operatorname{CP}}$ and $\overline{D^0}/D^0$ Ratio

• Significant suppression at high p<sub>T</sub>.

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- Reasonable agreement with theoretical calculations
- $\overline{D^0}/D^0$  ratio is larger than 1, possibly due to finite baryon density





# **D<sup>0</sup> Radial Flow**

- Exponential fit to the  $m_T$  spectra : collective behavior,  $T_{eff}$  slope parameter follows the same trend as multi-strange hadrons
- Blast Wave fits ( $p_T < 5 \text{ GeV/c}$ ) :

 $T_{kin}(D^0) \sim T_{kin}(\phi, \Xi) > T_{kin}(\pi, K, p)$  and  $\beta(D^0) \sim \beta(\phi, \Xi) < \beta(\pi, K, p)$  $\rightarrow$  suggests earlier freeze-out of  $D^0$  compared to light-flavor hadrons.



# $\Lambda_c/D^0$ : p<sub>T</sub> Dependence

- Significant enhancement of  $\Lambda_c/D^0$  compared to PYTHIA/fragmentation baseline and p+p, p+Pb at LHC
- The  $\Lambda_c/D^0$  ratio is comparable with light flavor baryon-to-meson ratios
- Consistent with charm quark hadronization via coalescence

-- higher than model predictions, particularly at higher p<sub>T</sub>



# $\Lambda_c/D^0$ : Centrality Dependence

- Trends of  $\Lambda_c/D^0$  ratio increases from peripheral to central collisions
- Ratio for peripheral Au+Au comparable with p+p value at 7 TeV





# $D_s/D^0$ Enhancement

- Strong D<sub>s</sub>/D<sup>0</sup> enhancement observed in central A+A collisions w.r.t fragmentation baseline
  - Strangeness enhancement and coalescence hadronization
- Enhancement is larger than p+p, PYTHIA predictions



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#### **Recent Model Predictions**

#### • Recent model predictions developed fast





### **Total Charm Cross-section**

- Total charm cross-section is extracted from the various charm hadron measurements
- -- D<sup>0</sup> yields are measured down to zero p<sub>T</sub>
- -- For D<sup>+/-</sup> and D<sub>s</sub>, Levy function fits to measured spectra are used for extrapolation.
- -- For  $\Lambda_c$ , fits of three models to data are used and differences are included in systematics

Charm Hadron		Cross Section dơ/dy (µb)
AuAu 200 GeV (10-40%)	$D^0$	41 ± 1 ± 5
	$D^+$	18 ± 1 ± 3
	$D_s^+$	15 ± 1 ± 5
	$\Lambda_c^+$	78 ± 13 ± 28 <b>*</b>
	Total	152 ± 13 ± 29
pp 200 GeV	Total	130 ± 30 ± 26

\* derived using  $\Lambda_c^+ / D^0$  ratio in 10-80%

• Total charm cross-section per nucleon-nucleon collision is consistent with p+p value within uncertainties, but redistributed among different charm hadron species

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# **D<sup>0</sup>** Elliptic Flow

- Mass ordering at  $p_T < 2$  GeV/c (hydrodynamic behavior)
- $v_2(D^0)$  follows the  $(m_T m_0)$  NCQ scaling as light flavor hadrons below 1 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>
  - $\rightarrow$  Evidence of charm quarks flowing with the medium

2014 +2016 Dataset

2014 data, Phys. Rev. Lett. 118, (2017) 212301



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# **D<sup>0</sup>** Elliptic Flow

- High precision of  $v_2$  data offers stringent constraints to model calculations. Transport models with charm quark diffusion in the medium can describe the data
- Sensitivity to charm diffusion coefficient  $2\pi TD_s$  and its temperature dependence



#### 2014+2016 Dataset

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pQCD LO  $\alpha_{q}=0.4$ 

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# $D^0$ Directed Flow (v<sub>1</sub>)

- Charm quarks interact with bulk medium  $\rightarrow D^0 v_1$  sensitive to the initial tilt of the source (bulk) S. Chatterjee and P. Bożek, PRL 120 (2018) 192301
- Charm and anti-charm quarks can be deflected differently by the initial EM field  $\rightarrow$  difference between  $D^0$  and  $\overline{D^0}$  v<sub>1</sub> sensitive to EM field
- First observation of non-zero (negative)  $D^0(\overline{D^0})$  v<sub>1</sub> slope, much larger than that of kaons  $D^0 + \overline{D^0} dv_1/dy = -0.081 \pm 0.021(stat) \pm 0.017(sys)$
- More precise data are needed for  $\Delta v_1 d\Delta v_1/dy = -0.041 \pm 0.041(stat) \pm 0.020(sys)$



# **Charm to Bottom Through Single e Channel**

- Strong interaction of charm with the medium. How about bottom?
- Impact parameter method to separate  $c/b \rightarrow$  electrons
- Indication of less suppression for  $B \rightarrow e$  than  $D \rightarrow e (\sim 2 \sigma)$ : consistent with  $\Delta E_c > \Delta E_b$ . Measurements with improved precision on the way



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#### **Quarkonium Signals**

*Te-Chuan Huang on June 13<sup>th</sup> Thu.* 

J/ $\psi$ : Large cross section at RHIC energy, interplay of several effects Y: A cleaner probe at RHIC, small production cross section



arXiv:1905.13669 , submitted to P.L.B

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# $J/\psi R_{AA}$ vs. $p_T$

- Suppressed for a wide kinematic range
- Low p<sub>T</sub> : regeneration
- High p<sub>T</sub> : initial production



Inclusive  $J/\psi$  from STAR



Pb+Pb @ 2.76 TeV

- ALICE: Inclusive J/ ψ, 0-40%, |y|<0.8</p>
- CMS: Prompt J/ ψ, 0-100%, |y|<2.4

Model II at RHIC. 60 PRC submittec 82 064905 HEP 05 (2012) 063 CEPLB734 (2014) 314



# $J/\psi R_{AA}$ vs. Centrality

- Both, low and high  $p_T$ ,  $R_{AA}$  decreases from peripheral to central collisions
- Low  $p_T$ : more suppressed at RHIC in central and semi-central  $\rightarrow$  Less regeneration due to lower charm production
- High  $p_T$ : hint of systematically less suppression at RHIC for semi-central  $\rightarrow$  Probably stronger dissociation at LHC due to high temperature

arXiv:1905.13669, submitted to P.L.B

Inclusive J/ $\psi$  from STAR





# $J/\psi\;R_{AA}$ comparison with models

- Low  $p_T$ : both models can describe centrality dependence at RHIC
- High  $p_T$ : the data lay mostly between the two model calculations

#### arXiv:1905.13669, submitted to P.L.B

Inclusive  $J/\psi$  from STAR



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# Y(1S) vs. Y(2S+3S)

- Combined results from two decay channels ( $e^+e^-\&\mu^+\mu^-$ ) from STAR
- Indication of more suppression towards central collisions
- No clear p<sub>T</sub> dependence
- $\Upsilon(2S+3S)$  more suppressed than  $\Upsilon(1S)$  in 0-10% central collisions
  - $\rightarrow$  consistent with "sequential melting" expectation



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# Υ**(1S)**

- Combined results from two decay channels ( $e^+e^-\&\mu^+\mu^-$ ) from STAR
- Indication of more suppression towards central collisions
- No strong p<sub>T</sub> dependence
- Suppression level is similar at RHIC and the LHC:
  - CNM /pfgeffect
  - Suppression of excited Y states

CMS, PLB 770 (2017) 357





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- More suppressed than  $\Upsilon(1S)$  in 0-10% central collisions
  - $\rightarrow$  consistent with "sequential melting" expectation
- Indication of STAR values higher than LHC in peripheral collision
  less suppression at RHIC?





#### **Comparison with Models: Y(1S)**

- Both models show good agreement with data for  $\Upsilon(1S)$ 
  - KSU: Complex potential (lattice QCD); No CNM or regeneration
  - TAMU: T-dependent binding energy; Includes CNM and regeneration

*KSU* : *B. Krouppa, A. Rothkopf, and M. Strickland, PRD* 97, (2018) 016017 *TAMU*: *X. Du, M. He, and R. Rapp, PRC* 96, (2017) 054901





### Comparison with Models: Y(2S+3S)

- Both models consistently describe RHIC and LHC excited Y states suppression in semi-central and central collisions
  - KSU model is lower than data in 30-60% centrality

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#### Summary



- Open heavy flavor
  - Significant collective behavior for charm  $\rightarrow$  charm quark diffusion in medium
  - Hint of  $R_{AA}(b \rightarrow e) > R_{AA}(c \rightarrow e) \rightarrow$  mass hierarchy
  - $D_s/D^0$  and  $\Lambda_c^+/D^0$  enhancement  $\rightarrow$  coalescence hadronization
- Quarkonium
  - Strong suppression of  $J/\psi$  at high  $p_T$  in central collision  $\rightarrow$  dissociation
  - Low  $p_T J/\psi R_{AA}$  at RHIC lower than the LHC  $\rightarrow$  regeneration
  - $\Upsilon(2S+3S)$  more suppressed than  $\Upsilon(1S)$  in central collision  $\rightarrow$  sequential melting



#### Back up



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#### **Topological Reconstruction**



• Direct topological reconstruction through hadronic channels

$$D^{0}(\overline{D^{0}}) \to K^{\mp}\pi^{\pm}$$
$$\Lambda_{c}^{+} \to pK^{-}\pi^{+}$$
$$D_{s}^{+} \to \phi(1020)\pi^{+} \to K^{+}K^{-}\pi^{+}$$

- With HFT: greatly reduced combinatorial background
- Topological cuts optimized by TMVA (Toolkit for Multi Variate Analysis)



 $\mathbf{D}^{+-}\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}}$ 

- Similar suppression for D<sup>0</sup> and D<sup>+/-</sup>
- Spectra measurement is important for the total charm cross-section



## **D\*+** Production in Au+Au Collisions

- $D^{*+}$  feeds down to  $D^0$  yields  $D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0 + \pi^+_{soft}$
- Possible hot medium effects :
  - D\*+ life time could become shorter in hot medium
  - Re-scattering can lead to loss of yield



Shuai Y. F. Liu and Ralf Rapp. Phys. Rev. C 97 (2018) 034918.

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## **D**\*+/**D**<sup>0</sup> Ratio in Au+Au Collisions

- $D^{*+}/D^0$  ratio in Au+Au collisions at 200 GeV is consistent with PYTHIA and with ALICE data at higher  $p_T$ .
- Ratio of the integrated yields shows no strong centrality dependence



*K\*/K, Phys. Rev. C (2011) 84. 034909. ALICE Collaboration, arXiv:1804.09083.* 

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#### $\Lambda_{c}$ Reconstruction

- More than 50% improvement in signal significance with TMVA BDT
- Also new data from 2016
   → Effectively 4x more data



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#### Directed flow (v1) due to EM fields

 The moving spectators can produce enormously large electromagnetic field (eB ~ 10<sup>18</sup> G at RHIC)

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- Due to early production of heavy quarks (τ<sub>CQ</sub> ~ 0.1 fm/c) positive and negative charm quarks (CQs) can get deflected by the initial EM force
- D<sup>0</sup> and D<sup>0</sup> v<sub>1</sub> can offer insight into the early time EM fields



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2018 RHIC & AGS Annual Users' Meeting (BNL)

### <sup>o</sup> Directed flow (v1) due to hydro

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(%) \*-2

HF Bulk

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- Heavy quarks are produced according to Ncoll density: symmetric in rapidity
- At non-zero rapidity, CQs production<sup>-6</sup> points are shifted from the bulk
- This can induce larger v<sub>1</sub> in CQs than light flavors
- Magnitude of CQ v<sub>1</sub> depends on the drag parameter used in this model





Chatterjee, Bozek: Phys Rev Lett 120, 192301 (2018)

(a)

(D, D) Hydro

# B Study from Non-prompt $J/\psi$ & $D^0$ & e

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# $J/\psi R_{AA} vs. p_T$



PHENIX : PRL 98 (2007) 232301; CMS: JHEP 05 (2012) 063 arXiv:1905.13669 submitted to P.L.B; ICE PLB734 (2014)314