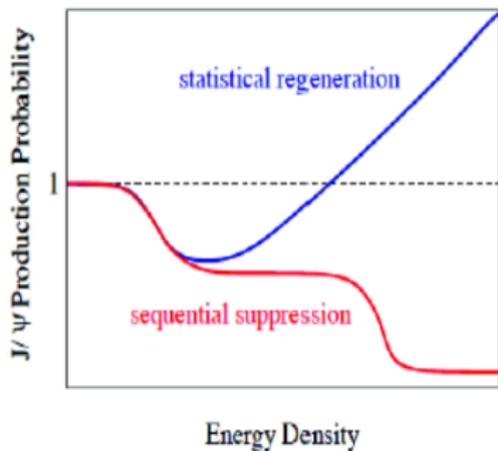


## Lecture 19

### Quarkonia in QGP (part II)

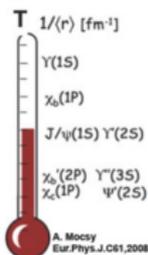


From J.Satchel

In this lecture, we will see other mechanisms for suppression and production, as well as data on quarkonia

## Quarkonia in expanding QGP

If  $T \searrow$  in a static hot environment, quarkonia are suppressed sequentially



At very high  $T$ , all melted and at low  $T$ , only large ones melted

### How is this modified by expansion?

Quarkonia formation is a two-step process:

- 1) pQCD based models describe  $Q\bar{Q}$  pair production: fast almost ponctual process  $\Delta x \sim \Delta t \sim 1/(2m_Q)$  (ex.  $\sim 0.1$  fm for  $c\bar{c}$ )
- 2)  $Q$  and  $\bar{Q}$  form a bound state via non perturbative interactions.

Crude estimate for time scale:  $Q$  and  $\bar{Q}$  separate in a time

$$\tau_{form} = r_{bound}/v_{relat} = r_{bound} E_{Q\bar{Q}}/p_{Q\bar{Q}} \text{ in pair rest frame}$$

$$t_{form} = \tau_{form}\gamma = \tau_{form}\sqrt{1 + p_{\perp}^2/M^2} \text{ in the lab.}$$

### Limit for $p_{\perp}$ due to QGP cooling time

$t_{form}$  is large for large  $p_{\perp}$  and the QGP may have cooled down below the dissociation temperature  $T_d$  before  $t_{form}$ .

$\Rightarrow$  upper limit for  $p_{\perp}$  in order to have dissociation

This limit is:

$$t_{form} = t_d \Rightarrow p_{\perp}^{max1} = M \sqrt{(t_d/\tau_{form})^2 - 1}$$

To get an order of magnitude, using the Borken model (at mid-rapidity):  $t_d = t_0(T_0/T_d)^3$ , so  $t_d$  can be computed from the initial conditions.

$\tau_{form}$  can be obtained by solving a Shrödinger equation. The table below shows an exemple of such results ( $\tau_F \equiv \tau_{form}$ ).

	$J/\psi$	$\psi'$	$\chi_c(1P)$	$\Upsilon(1S)$	$\Upsilon(2S)$	$\chi_b(1P)$
$M$ (GeV)	3.07	3.698	3.5	9.445	10.004	9.897
$r$ (fm)	0.453	0.875	0.696	0.226	0.509	0.408
$\tau_F$ (fm)	0.89	1.5	2.0	0.76	1.9	2.6

From R.Vogt

Exercise:

Compute  $t_d$  and  $p_{\perp}^{max1}$  for  $J/\psi$  at SPS assuming  $\tau_0 = 1$  fm and  $T_0 = 300$  MeV for the Bjorken model.

Using values in lectures 1 and 18:  $t_d = 1 \times (300/(154 \times 1.17))^3 = 4.6$  fm

$$p_{\perp}^{max1} = 3.1 \sqrt{(4.6/0.89)^2 - 1} \sim 16 \text{ GeV.}$$

### Limit for $p_{\perp}$ due to QGP finite size

A pair spends a finite time inside a transverse slice of matter:  $t_{inside} \sim \langle r \rangle (m_{\perp}/p_{\perp})$

If  $t_{form}$  is larger than  $t_{inside}$ , the pair forms outside and is not screened.

$\Rightarrow$  another upper limit for  $p_{\perp}$  in order to have dissociation

This limit is:

$$t_{form} = t_{inside} \Rightarrow p_{\perp}^{max2} = M(\langle r \rangle / \tau_{form})$$

We expect the average distance to be traveled to be  $\langle r \rangle \sim R$

It depends on the radial profile of the matter, the location and direction of travel of the pair.

Exercise:

Compute an order of magnitude for  $p_{\perp}^{max1}$  for a  $J/\psi$  in a gold nucleus.

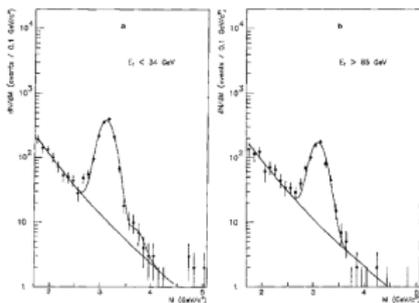
$$p_{\perp}^{max2} \sim 3.07 \times 7/0.89 = 24 \text{ GeV}$$

## Other mechanisms that suppress quarkonia

- ▶ Quarkonia can interact with hadrons in the medium: nuclear absorption  
Approximatively:  $\sigma_{hA \rightarrow C} / \sigma_{hN \rightarrow C} \sim \exp(-\eta A^{1/3})$  (absorption depends on path length)
- ▶ Quarkonia can interact with hadrons produced along with it (comovers)  
Approximatively:  $\sigma_{hA \rightarrow C} / \sigma_{hN \rightarrow C} \sim \exp(-\beta A^{1/3})$  (after approximations)
- ▶ Some  $p_t$  broadening in hA collisions (Cronin effect)

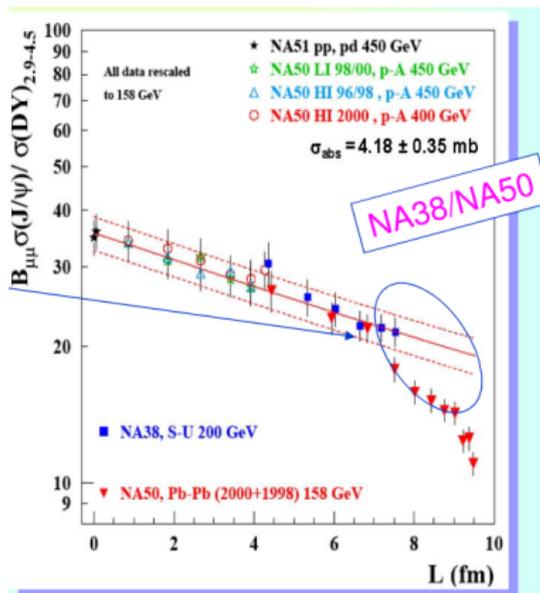
These mechanisms were enough to explain the  $J/\psi$  suppression observed initially at SPS (O+U 1986 and S+U 1987).

For historical perspectives at SPS see H.Satz arXiv:hep-ph/9806319 and L.Kluberg Eur. Phys. J. C (2005) 20245-6



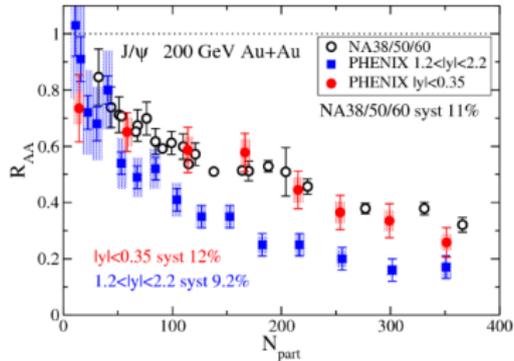
## $J/\psi$ suppression in Pb+Pb at the SPS (at last)

In central Pb+Pb, an anomalous suppression not explained by hadronic effects appeared (NA50 1996) and hinted at color deconfinement



Then what to expect at RHIC? Higher energy densities so more suppression?

## $J/\psi$ suppression at RHIC



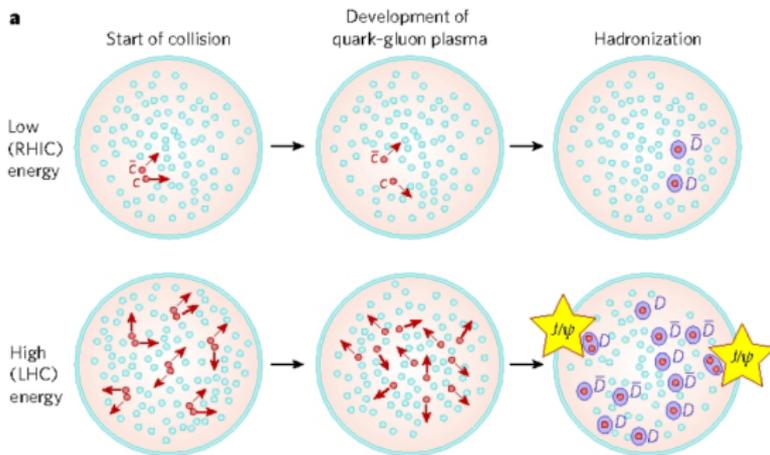
- ▶ Suppression is observed: OK
- ▶ Similar to SPS at mid-rapidity: strange
- ▶ Larger at forward rapidity where energy density is smaller: stranger

$R_{AA}$  is a comparison to p+p accounting for higher number of nucleon-nucleon collisions

Nuclear absorption effect (again)? Mechanism increasing  $J/\psi$  production (see next slide)?

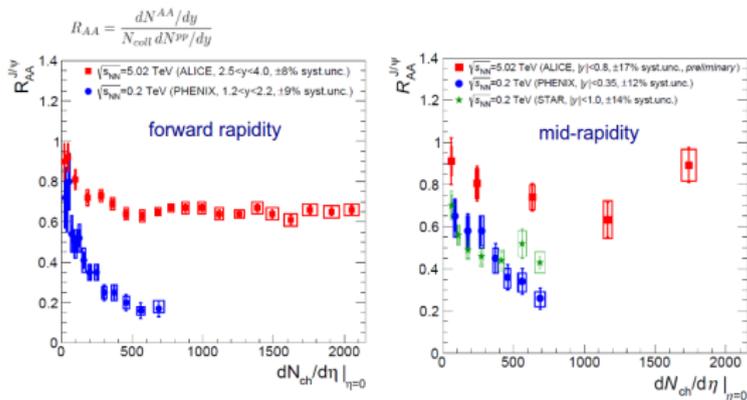
## A prediction: mechanisms that produce quarkonia

- At SPS, about  $\sim 1$   $c\bar{c}$  produced per 10 Pb+Pb collisions (and  $\sim 1$   $J/\psi$  per 500 collisions).
- At RHIC, about  $\sim 10$   $c\bar{c}$  pairs produced per Au+Au collisions.
- At LHC,  $\sim 100$   $c\bar{c}$  pairs per central collisions. So in addition to directly produced  $J/\psi$ , some additional production could occur later.



Regeneration: Create charmonium states by recombining at hadronization (P.Braun-Munzinger and J.Stachel, PLB 490 (2000) 196) or during QGP evolution (Thews et al., PRC 63 (2001) 054905)

## $J/\psi$ at LHC

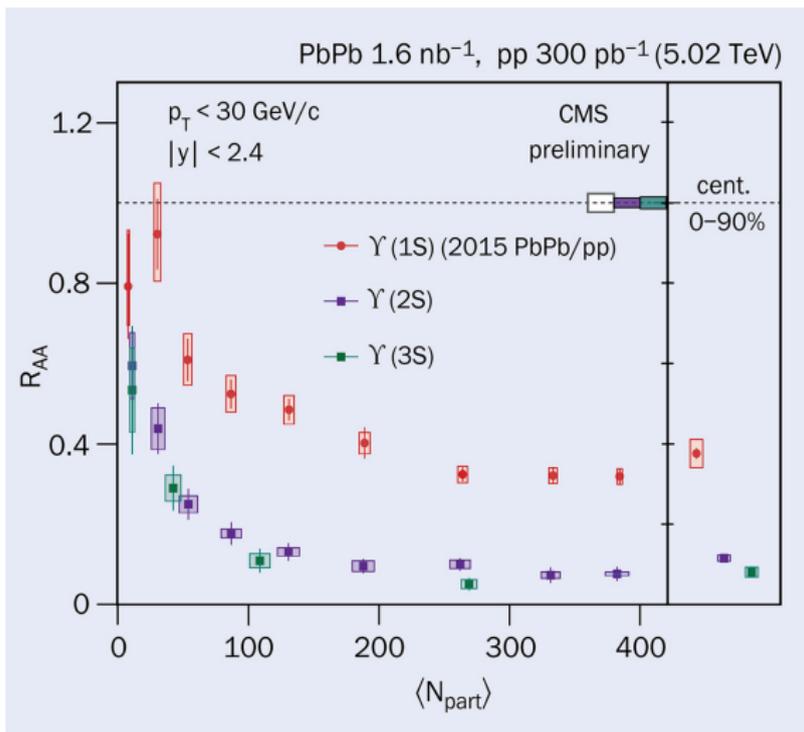


From RHIC to LHC, no additional melting, rather enhancement (regeneration) of  $J/\psi$



## How about the $\Upsilon$ ?

$\Upsilon$  is  $b\bar{b}$ . Due to its heavy mass, it is not very sensitive to regeneration. One expects a more clear sequential suppression. This seems to be the case (very recent result).



## Homework

Redo the two exercises for  $\Psi'$

### Other references on this topic

- ▶ J.-P.Blaizot & J.-Y.Ollitrault in “Quark Plasma 1”
- ▶ R. Vogt’s book item R.Vogt “Cold Nuclear Matter Effects on Open and Hidden Heavy Flavor Production at the LHC”  
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