

The Temperature of the Quark-Gluon Plasma

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Statistical QCD shows
 \exists color deconfinement,
 \exists hot quark-gluon plasma,
for $T > T_c$;

but it does not tell us
what thermometer can measure the temperature
of a deconfined medium.

Only measurable observables are observables.

What can we use as QGP Thermometer?

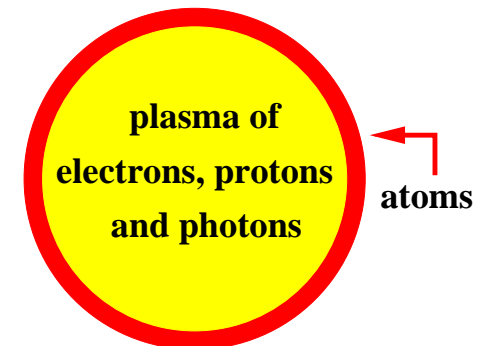
hadron abundances \Rightarrow hadronization stage of QGP

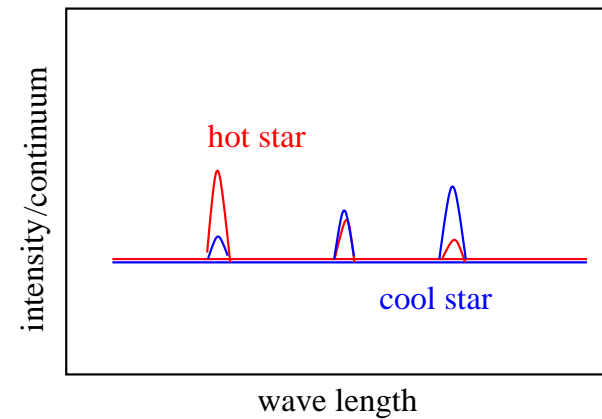
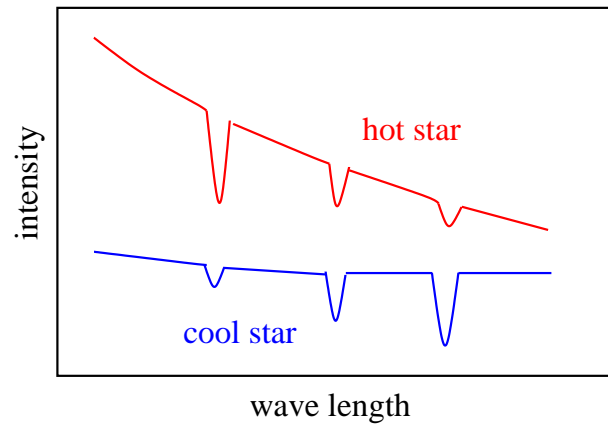
\exists probe of earlier hot QGP,
not accessible to direct measurements?

\exists a similar problem in astrophysics:

How does one measure temperatures of stellar interiors?

photons from plasma core are emitted,
absorbed by atoms in crust, lead to
absorption lines in stellar spectra





- absorption lines indicate presence of atomic species
- absorption strength gives temperature of stellar interior

Conjecture: **Quarkonia** are the spectral lines of the QGP

Matsui & HS, 1986

\exists no crust of QGP, but \exists early hard production of quarkonia

they're there when QGP appears, and its effect on different quarkonium states tells how hot the QGP is.

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1. Quarkonia are very unusual hadrons

heavy quark ($Q\bar{Q}$) bound states **stable** under strong decay

- **heavy**: $m_c \simeq 1.2 - 1.4$ GeV, $m_b \simeq 4.6 - 4.9$ GeV
- **stable**: $M_{c\bar{c}} \leq 2M_D$ and $M_{b\bar{b}} \leq 2M_B$

What is “**usual**”?

- light quark ($q\bar{q}$) constituents
- hadronic size $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^{-1} \simeq 1$ fm, independent of mass
- loosely bound, $M_\rho - 2M_\pi \gg 0$, $M_\phi - 2M_K \simeq 0$
- relative production abundances \sim energy independent, statistical: at large \sqrt{s} , rate $R_{i/j} \sim$ phase space at T_c
- $(dN_{q\bar{q}}/dy) \sim \ln s$

Quarkonia: heavy quarks \Rightarrow non-relativistic potential theory

Schrödinger equation $\left\{ 2m_c - \frac{1}{m_c} \nabla^2 + V(r) \right\} \Phi_i(r) = M_i \Phi_i(r)$ Jacobs et al. 1986

$$V(r) = \sigma r - \frac{\alpha}{r}$$

with confining (“Cornell”) potential

state	J/ψ	χ_c	ψ'	Υ	χ_b	Υ'	χ'_b	Υ''
mass [GeV]	3.10	3.53	3.68	9.46	9.99	10.02	10.26	10.36
ΔE [GeV]	0.64	0.20	0.05	1.10	0.67	0.54	0.31	0.20
radius [fm]	0.25	0.36	0.45	0.14	0.22	0.28	0.34	0.39

$$(m_c = 1.25 \text{ GeV}, m_b = 4.65 \text{ GeV}, \sqrt{\sigma} = 0.445 \text{ GeV}, \alpha = \pi/12)$$

excellent account of full quarkonium spectroscopy:

spin-averaged masses , binding energies, radii.

⇒ quarkonia are **unusual**

– very small, mass-dependent size:

$$r_{J/\psi} \simeq 0.25 \text{ fm}, \quad r_{\Upsilon} \simeq 0.14 \text{ fm} \quad \ll \quad \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^{-1} \simeq 1 \text{ fm}$$

– very tightly bound:

$$\begin{aligned} 2M_D - M_{J/\psi} &\simeq 0.64 \text{ GeV} \\ 2M_B - M_{\Upsilon} &\simeq 1.10 \text{ GeV} \end{aligned} \quad \gg \quad \Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \simeq 0.2 \text{ GeV}$$

● Potential model study of quarkonia: conceptually simple

more recent and more basic approaches:

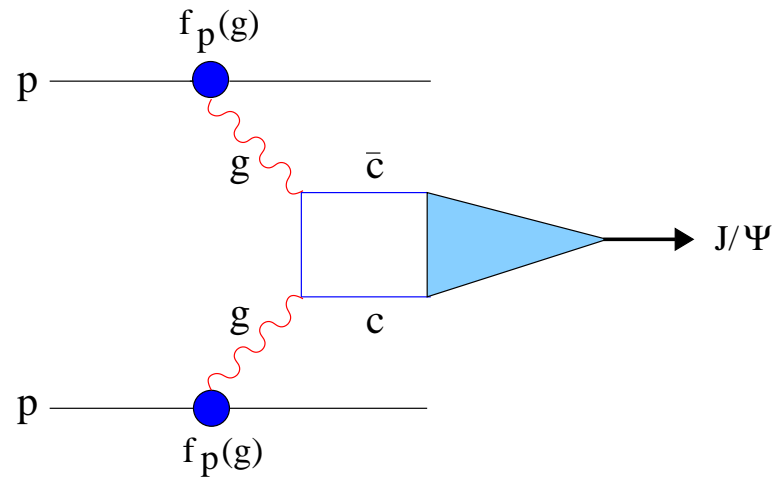
- finite temperature lattice QCD
- effective field theories, weak coupling expansion
- AdS/CFT, and more...

see e.g. [N. Brambilla et al, arXiv:1010.5827](#)

[M. Laine, arXiv:0810.1112](#)

primary production via partonic interaction dynamics

Einhorn & Ellis 1975, Baier & Rückl 1983, Lansberg 2006



given parton distribution functions from DIS,
 $c\bar{c}$ production is perturbatively calculable (cum grano salis)

J/ψ binding is not, but it is independent of collision energy:

$$R[(J/\psi)/c\bar{c}] \sim |\phi_{J/\psi}(0)|^2 \neq f(s)$$

results for/from elementary collisions:

- $(dN_{c\bar{c}}/dy) \sim s^a$ vs. $(dN_{q\bar{q}}/dy) \sim \ln s$
- $N_{c\bar{c}}/N_{q\bar{q}} \uparrow$ with collision energy compare $[N_{s\bar{s}}/N_{q\bar{q}}] = \text{const.}$

⇒ heavy flavor production is dynamical and not statistical

- $(dN_{J/\psi}/dy)/(dN_{c\bar{c}}/dy) \simeq 0.02$, compare $[N_{\rho}/N_{q\bar{q}}]$
factor 10 bigger than ratio of statistical weights at T_c
much more hidden charm than statistically predicted
- $(dN_{\psi'}/dy)/dN_{J/\psi}/dy) \simeq 0.2$, compare $[N_{\rho}/N_{\omega}]$
factor five bigger than ratio of statistical weights at T_c
ratios of states \sim wave functions, not Boltzmann factors

⇒ quarkonium binding is dynamical and not statistical

Quarkonium production in elementary collisions: no medium
What happens to quarkonia in hot strongly interacting media?

2. Quarkonia melt in a hot QGP

Matsui & HS 1986, Karsch et al. 1988

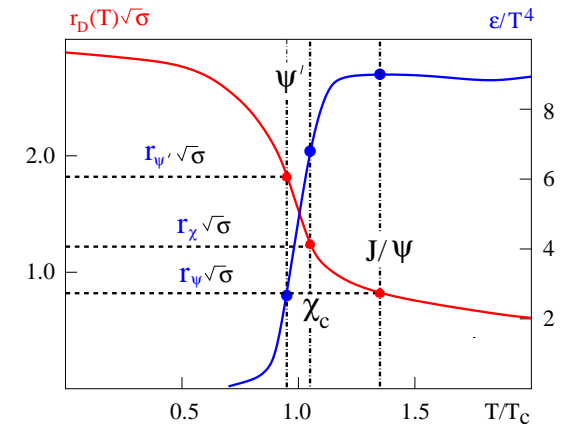
- QGP consists of deconfined color charges, hence
 \exists color screening for $Q\bar{Q}$ state
- screening radius $r_D(T)$ decreases with temperature T
- if $r_D(T)$ falls below binding radius r_i of $Q\bar{Q}$ state i ,
 Q and \bar{Q} cannot bind, quarkonium i cannot exist
- quarkonium dissociation points T_i , from $r_D(T_i) = r_i$,
specify temperature of QGP

Color screening \Rightarrow binding **weaker** and of **shorter range**

when force range/screening radius become less than binding radius, Q and \bar{Q} cannot “see” each other

\Rightarrow quarkonium dissociation points

determine temperature \Rightarrow energy density of medium



How to calculate quarkonium dissociation temperatures?

- determine heavy quark potential $V(r, T)$ in finite temperature QCD, solve Schrödinger equation
- calculate in-medium quarkonium spectrum $\sigma(\omega, T)$ directly in finite temperature lattice QCD

- Heavy Quark Studies in Finite Temperature QCD

Hamiltonian \mathcal{H}_Q for QGP with/without color singlet $Q\bar{Q}$ pair:

$$F_Q(r, T) = -T \ln \int d\Gamma \exp\{-\mathcal{H}_Q/T\}$$

$$F_0(T) = -T \ln \int d\Gamma \exp\{-\mathcal{H}_0/T\}$$

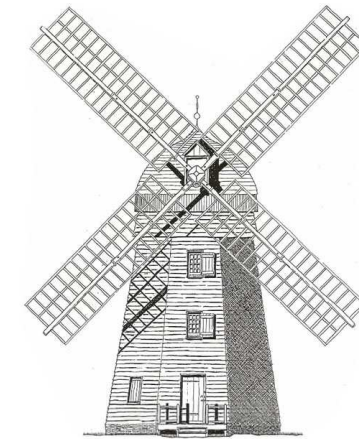
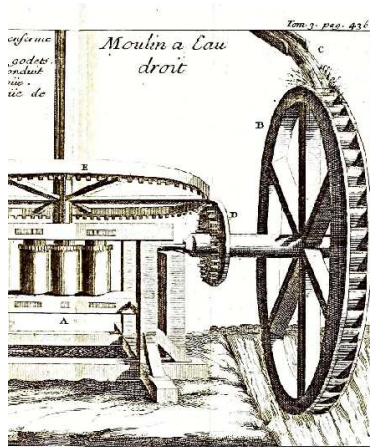
study free energy difference $F(r, T) = F_Q(r, T) - F_0(T)$

internal energy difference $U(r, T)$ & entropy difference $S(r, T)$

$$F(r, T) = U(r, T) - TS(r, T)$$

what is the relevant potential? $V = U$ or $V = F$ or mixture?

Digal et al. 2001; Shuryak & Zahed 2004; Wong 2004/5; Alberico et al. 2005;
Digal et al. 2005; Mocsy & Petreczky 2005/6



Solution:

HS, arXiv:1501.03940

Energetic vs. Entropic Force

Pressure P specifies the force acting on the $Q\bar{Q}$ pair

$$P(T, r) = - \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial r} \right)_T = - \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial r} \right)_T + T \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial r} \right)_T = K_u(T, r) + K_s(T, r).$$

$K_u(T, r)$: energetic force \sim watermill

$K_s(T, r)$: entropic force \sim windmill

- Model for $Q\bar{Q}$ in strongly coupled QGP; free energy

$$F(r, T) = \sigma r \left[\frac{1 - e^{-\mu r}}{\mu r} \right] = \frac{\sigma}{\mu} [1 - e^{-x}], \quad x = \mu r$$

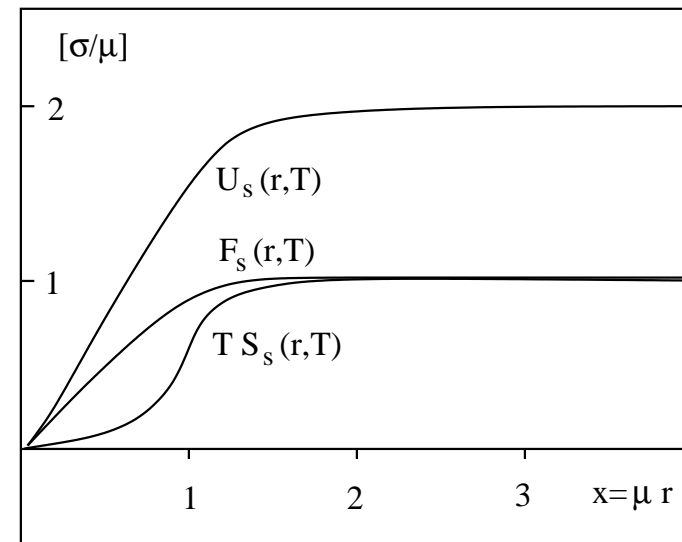
leads to entropy and internal energy

$$TS(T, r) = (\sigma/\mu) [1 - (1 + x)e^{-x}]$$

$$U(T, r) = (\sigma/\mu) [2 - (2 + x)e^{-x}]$$

large distance limit of
internal energy:

one σ/μ work against string,
one σ/μ polarization clouds
for Q and \bar{Q} (entropy increase)



Consider force on $Q\bar{Q} \sim$ pressure

$$P(T, r) = - \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial r} \right)_T = - \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial r} \right)_T + T \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial r} \right)_T = K_u(T, r) + K_s(T, r)$$

two components:

- attractive energetic force $K_u(T, r) = [-\sigma(1+x)e^{-x}]$
- repulsive entropic force $K_s(T, r) = [\sigma x e^{-x}]$
- effective $Q\bar{Q}$ force: $K(T, r) = K_u(T, r) + K_s(T, r) = -\sigma e^{-x}$

internal energy U increases

by work against string (\sim attractive force) and

by formation of polarization clouds (\sim repulsive force)

only overall force component is relevant for binding: $F(T, r)$

- weakly interacting plasma (QED, perturbative QCD)

Laine et al. 2007, Beraudo et al. 2008, Brambilla et al. 2008, Escobedo & Soto 2008,
Burnier et al. 2009, 2014

real-time propagator of
 $Q\bar{Q}$ pair in medium

$$V_w(r, T) = -\alpha \left[\mu(T) - \frac{1}{r} e^{-\mu(T)r} \right]$$

with $\mu(T) = 1/r_D(T) \sim \alpha T$

imaginary-time propagator
of $Q\bar{Q}$ pair in medium

$$F_w(r, T) = -\alpha \left[\mu(T) - \frac{1}{r} e^{-\mu(T)r} \right]$$

in perturbative limit, potential (real part) is free energy

entropy $TS_w(r, T) = -\alpha \mu(T) \left[1 - e^{-\mu(T)r} \right]$

internal energy $U_w(r, T) = -\alpha \left[\mu(T) - \frac{1}{r} \right] e^{-\mu(T)r}$

large distance limit (screening regime)

$$F_w(\infty, T) = -TS_w(\infty, T) = -\alpha\mu; \quad U_w(\infty, T) = 0$$

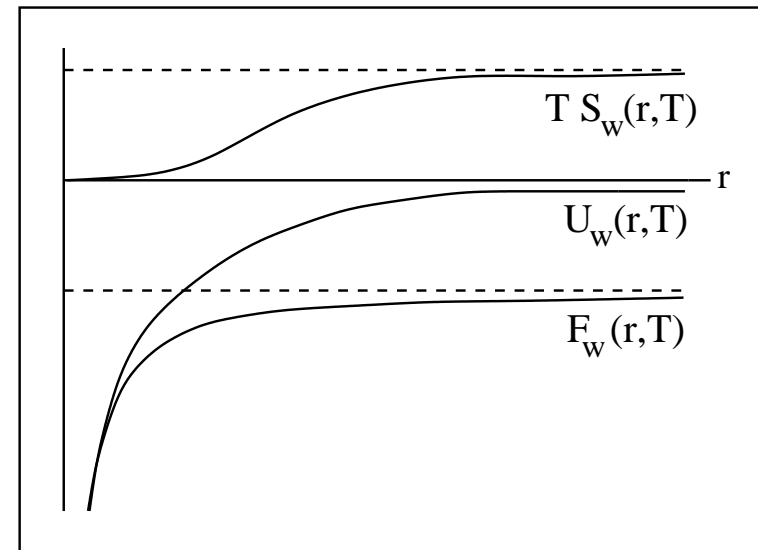
($\alpha\mu/2$ is “mass” of polarization cloud)

melting process:

work done to separate $Q\bar{Q}$
is converted into entropy

overall energy balance = 0

At large distance,
effective force totally entropic:
formation of polarization clouds increases entropy;
see Joule expansion



Combine strong and weak coupling components

$$F_s(r, T) = \sigma r \left[\frac{1 - e^{-\mu(T)r}}{\mu(T)r} \right] = \frac{\sigma}{\mu(T)} \left[1 - e^{-\mu(T)r} \right]$$

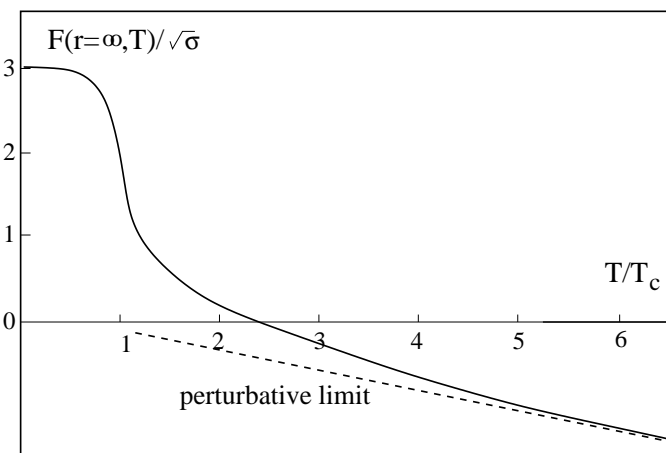
$T_c \leq T \lesssim 3 T_c$: strong component dominates

large distance limit

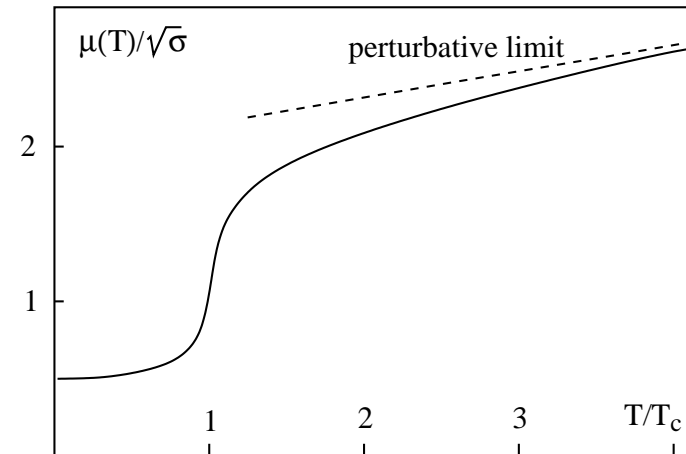
now limit $F_s(\infty, T) = \sigma / \mu(T)$

instead of $F_w(\infty, T) = -\alpha \mu(T)$

moreover, effects of critical behavior



- in the critical region $\mu(T) \not\propto T$,
much stronger variation;
potential model calculations
must use
parametrization of lattice data



using $V(T, r) = F_{\text{lattice}}(T, r)$ in Schrödinger equation,
indicative results for T_{diss}/T_c

state	$J/\psi(1S)$	$\chi_c(1P)$	$\psi'(2S)$	$\Upsilon(1S)$	$\chi_b(1P)$	$\Upsilon(2S)$	$\chi_b(2P)$	$\Upsilon(3S)$
T_d/T_c	1.2	1.0	1.0	> 3.0	1.2	1.2	1.0	1.0

Digal et al. 2001; Shuryak & Zahed 2004; Wong 2004/5; Alberico et al. 2005;
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- Lattice Studies of Quarkonium Spectrum

Calculate correlation function $G_i(\tau, T)$ for mesonic channel i determined by quarkonium spectrum $\sigma_i(\omega, T)$

$$G_i(\tau, T) = \int d\omega \sigma_i(\omega, T) K(\omega, \tau, T)$$

relates imaginary time τ and $c\bar{c}$ energy ω through kernel

$$K(\omega, \tau, T) = \frac{\cosh[\omega(\tau - (1/2T))]}{\sinh(\omega/2T)}$$

invert $G_i(\tau, T)$ to get quarkonium spectra $\sigma_i(\omega, T)$

Basic Problem

correlator given at discrete number $N_\tau/2$ of lattice points with limited precision; presently best $N_\tau = 96$ ($0.75 T_c$), 48 ($1.5 T_c$)

want spectra $\sigma_i(\omega, T)$ at ~ 1000 points in ω

- brute force solution: calculate correlators for $N_\tau = 2000$ then inversion is well-defined – project for FAR distant future
- in the meantime: invert $G(\tau, T)$ by MEM to get $\sigma(\omega, T)$

Maximum Entropy Method (MEM) here: [Asakawa and Hatsuda 2004](#)

what is the most likely solution for given data, given errors and some basic information?

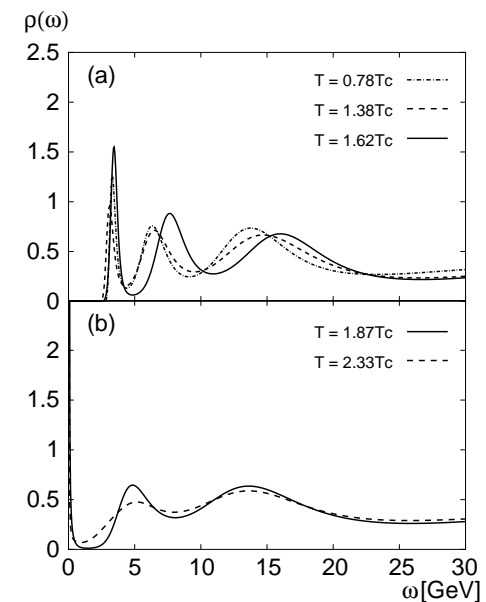
charmonia quenched:

- Umeda et al. 2001
- Asakawa & Hatsuda 2004
- Datta et al. 2004
- Iida et al. 2005
- Jakovac et al. 2005

charmonia unquenched:

- Aarts et al. 2005, 2007

first results \implies

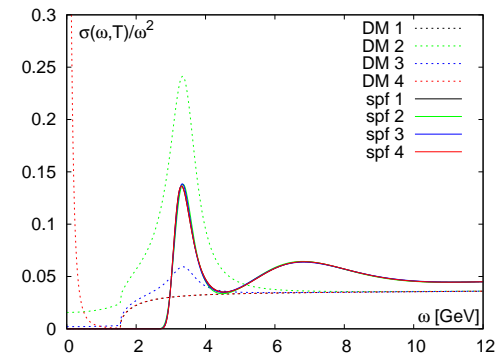


- MEM requires input reference (“default”) function for σ ;
form of and dependence on default function?

Recent work: [Heng-Tong Ding et al., 2012](#)

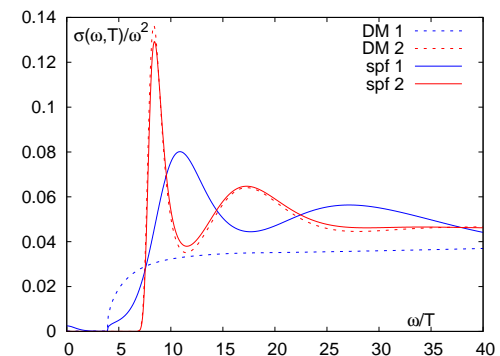
information sufficient
for unique MEM results;
spatial lattice size
insufficient for resonance width

$$T = 0.75 T_c$$



information insufficient
for unique MEM results;
spatial lattice size
insufficient for resonance width

$$T = 1.50 T_c$$



- better statistics, larger N_τ should resolve MEM results
- larger N_x should (eventually) resolve resonance width

Tentative summary so far:

- J/ψ is dissociated at or around $T \simeq 1.5 T_c$
- χ and ψ' dissociated at or slightly above T_c

But some further questions remain:

- Schrödinger equation provides dissociation temperature as point where J/ψ radius diverges, binding energy vanishes; $R \simeq 5$ fm, $\Delta E \simeq 10$ MeV in medium of $T \simeq 250$ MeV?
- if lattice calculations eventually provide J/ψ spectrum with given position, width; how wide can it get, how far can it shift and still be J/ψ ?

and, of course, the question

∃ **observable** consequences for nuclear collision **experiments**?

3. Quarkonium production is suppressed in nuclear collisions

...but for a variety of reasons

- nuclear modifications of parton distribution functions
- parton energy loss in cold nuclear matter
- dissociation in cold nuclear matter, by hadronic comovers
- dissociation by color screening (“melting”) in hot QGP

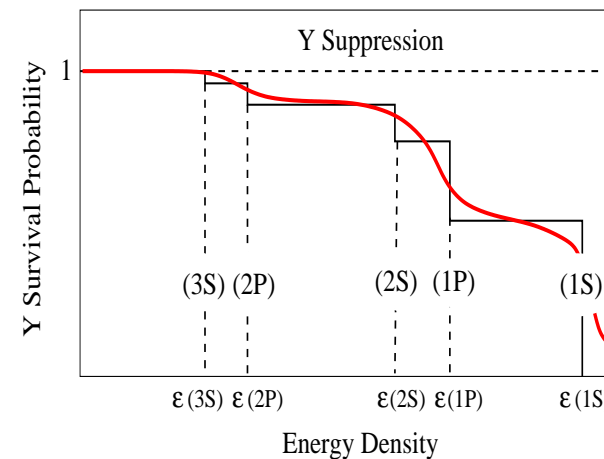
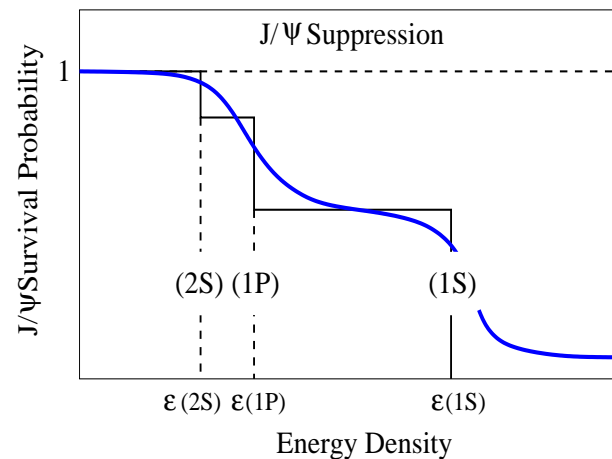
if initial & final state cold nuclear matter effects are taken into account, SPS & RHIC find some 50 % anomalous suppression.

NB: suppression with respect to what? Return to this shortly.

Melting in hot QGP \Rightarrow sequential quarkonium suppression

Karsch & HS 1991; Gupta & HS 1992; Karsch, Kharzeev & HS 2006

- measured quarkonia $x\%$ direct, $y\%$ feed-down decay
- narrow excited states decay outside medium;
- quarkonium survival rate shows sequential reduction: first due to excited states, later dissociation of direct states
- experimental smearing of steps; corona effect



WHEN quarkonium thresholds are calculable, and
IF quarkonium thresholds are measurable,
THEN they provide a quantitative test of statistical QCD.

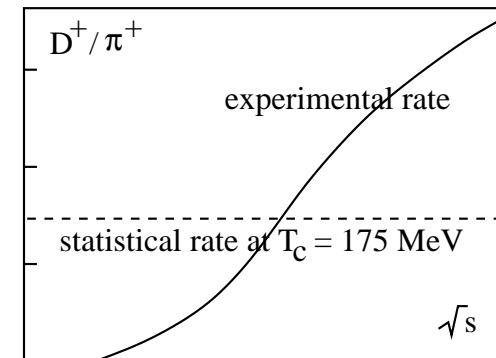
Does a sufficiently hot QGP \Rightarrow
no charmonium production at the LHC?

- corona effect Digal, Vogt & HS 2012
- significant B production \rightarrow charmonium production via feed-down from B decay; check through pp studies. **And:**

4. Quarkonia can be **created** at QGP hadronization

Braun-Munzinger & Stachel 2001, Thews et al. 2001, Grandchamp & Rapp 2002
Andronic et al. 2003, Zhuang et al. 2006

- $c\bar{c}$ production is a dynamical *hard process* :
at high energy, produced medium contains more than the *statistical* number of charm quarks

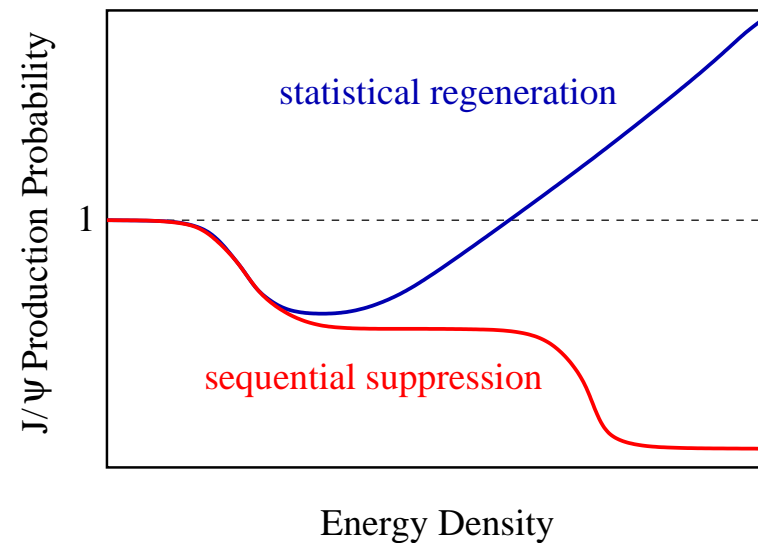


- assume
 - charm quark abundance constant in evolution to T_c
 - charm quarks form part of equilibrium QGP at T_c
 - equilibrium QGP at T_c hadronizes statistically
 - charmonium production via statistical $c\bar{c}$ fusion
- “secondary” charmonium production by fusion of c and \bar{c} produced in different primary collisions
- insignificant at “low” energy, since very few charm quarks; could be dominant production mechanism at high energy

Secondary statistical J/ψ production implies that in sufficiently high energy nuclear collisions

- J/ψ production is strongly enhanced re scaled pp rate
- ratio of hidden/open charm strongly enhanced re pp ratio

two readily distinguishable predictions for anomalous J/ψ production



dynamical vs. statistical momentum spectra [Mangano & Thews 2003](#)

NB: assumption of statistical quarkonium binding...

If \exists statistical regeneration of charmonium,

- evidence for thermalization of even charm quarks;
- use sequential suppression in bottomonium production as tool to compare heavy ion data to QCD calculations

5. What is the [reference](#) for quarkonium production?

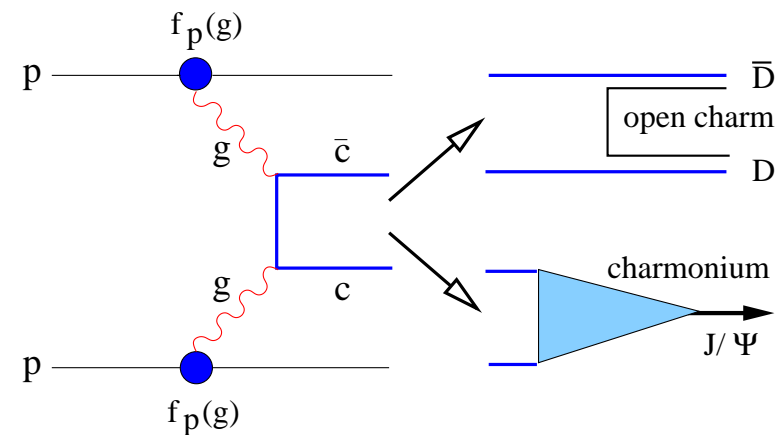
recall heavy flavor production:

in elementary collisions

(no medium)

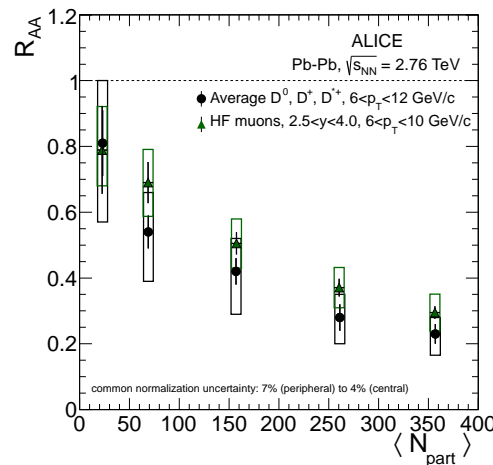
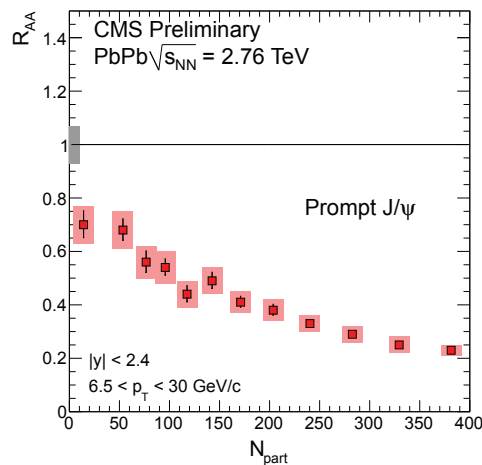
90% open charm,

10 % charmonium.



- Does presence of a medium change the relative fraction of $c\bar{c}$ or $b\bar{b}$ production going into hidden vs. open heavy flavor?

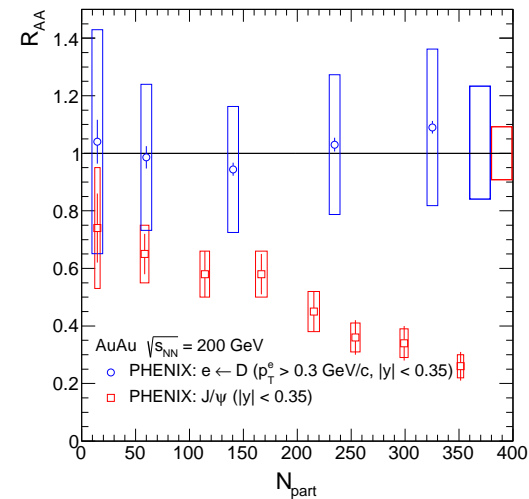
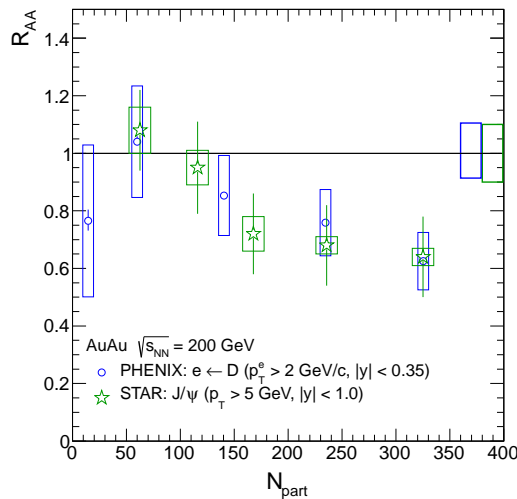
- Quarkonium suppression/enhancement = reduction/increase of **hidden to open heavy flavor** ratio in AA vs. pp ; all initial state effects are eliminated, only medium effects on quarkonia (in all evolution stages) remain.
- Whatever happens to primary $c\bar{c}$ production **must** later reflect on charmonium production; $R_{AA}(J/\psi)$ alone very misleading, need $R_{AA}(J/\psi)/R_{AA}(D)$



high p_T LHC data
(Z. Conesa del Valle 2013)

J/ψ reduced with centrality because $c\bar{c}$ is; ratio hidden/open is approximately the same as for no medium. Low p_T ?

RHIC



Data from PHENIX & STAR: J/ψ vs. open charm production at high & low transverse momenta
 (T. Dahms 2013)

at high p_T , as at LHC;

at low p_T , up to **80 % J/ψ suppression**:

here \exists no medium effect on $c\bar{c}$ production,
 only on charmonium binding.

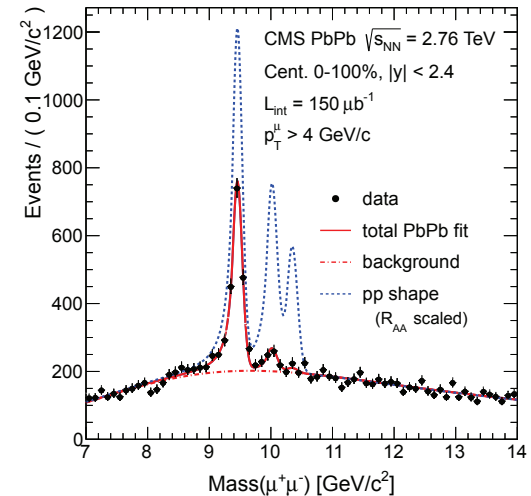
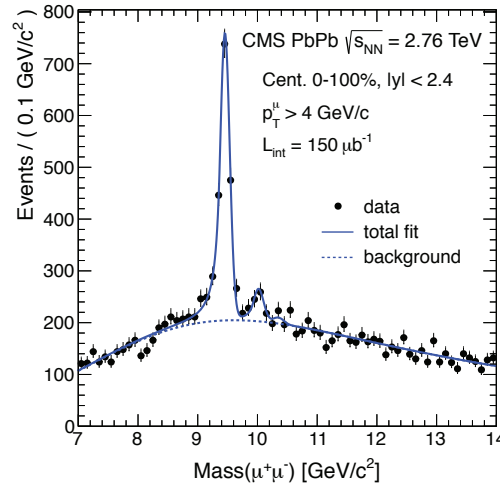
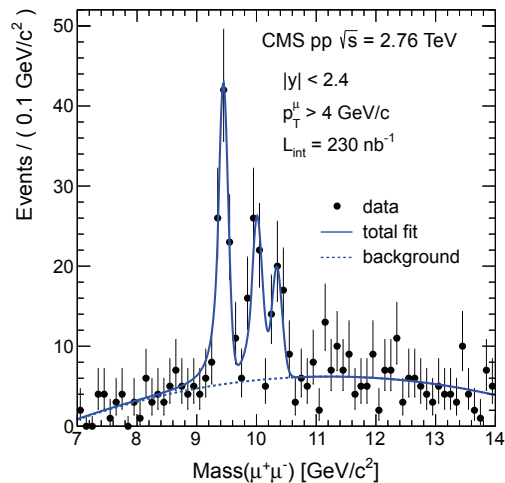
NB: both LHC and RHIC high p_T indicate J/ψ suppression
 is not AdS/CFT “hot wind”, but open charm effect

- Additional Probe

ratio excited/ground state in AA: $\Upsilon(1S) : \Upsilon(2S) : \Upsilon(3S)$

does the presence of a medium change this from pp ?

initial state effects cancel here as well; example



Excited states suppressed, feed-down to ground state gone

Seems evidence of sequential suppression...see CMS paper.

Conclusions

Measurements of hidden/open heavy flavor production,
measurements of excited/ground state quarkonium production
can provide conceptual [model-independent] answers to
conceptual [model-independent] questions.

Quantitative details require specific theory/model input.