



# Extracting temperature with di-leptons and quarkonia

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# RHIC @ Brookhaven National Laboratory



# 24 years of RHIC operation

### Perfect Liquid discovery



In 2005, BNL announced a discovery of perfect liquid at RHIC https://www.bnl.gov/newsroom/news.php?a=110303

# The properties of perfect liquid

#### The 2023 NSAC Long Range Plan for Nuclear Science



4. What is the correct phase diagram of nuclear matter?

 $T/T_c$ 

### Chiral symmetry restoration in Lattice QCD

Lattice QCD: Chiral cross over transition temperature Tc( $\mu_{B=0}$ ) = 158.0 ± 0.6 MeV

Chiral symmetry restoration: chiral partners become degenerate, e.g. rho and a1.

700  $m_{s}/m_{l} m_{\pi} [MeV]$ small quark mass 600  $\succ$ 20 160 -----140 -27 **Chiral Fluctuations** 500 40 110 ++>+ 400 80 80 ъ 160 55 -300

200

100

0

130

135

140

Chiral condensate susceptibility vs. Temperature

Temperature (MeV)

155

Hot QCD Collaboration, PRL 123 (2019) 062002

150

45

Hot QCD Collaboration, PLB 795 (2019) 15-21

180

175

large quark mass

170

165

160

# Dileptons

Utilizing penetrating probes, sensitive to the local properties of the emission source, we study

- The phase diagram of QCD
- The plasma temperature and its time evolution
- Medium properties such as shear and bulk viscosity
- Pre-equilibrium dynamics
- Chiral symmetry restoration

Experimentally very challenging due to enormous backgrounds



### Dileptons in 27 and 54 GeV Au+Au collisions





Low mass: emission temperature close to  $T_c$ , in-medium rho broadened, manifestation of chiral symmetry restoration

Intermediate mass: average emission temperature > T<sub>c</sub>

# Dileptons as thermometer



Lipei Du, CPOD 2024

First estimate of NLO dilepton emission at nonzero  $\mu_B$  with hydrodynamics: agree with data

Strong correlation between initial hydro temperature and average emission temperature derived from dileptons in the intermediate mass region

## Towards the future: STAR



Low-mass dielectron measurement: lifetime indicator and provide a stringent constraint for theorists to establish chiral symmetry restoration at  $\mu_B$ =0

Intermediate mass: direct thermometer to measure temperature

Enable dielectron v<sub>2</sub> and polarization, and solve direct photon puzzle (STAR vs PHENIX)

### Towards the future: ALICE3



**Existing measurements** 

ALICE3 projection: in medium rho-broadening and rho-a1 mixing to probe chiral symmetry restoration

## Towards the future: ALICE3



Precisely constrain temperature evolution

Other measurements: elliptic flow as a function of  $M_{ee}$  and  $p_T$ , polarization

# Quarkonia as thermometer?

Color screening





#### Dissociation: dynamic screening

Recombination

Cold nuclear matter effect

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# J/psi suppression from SPS to LHC



Interplay between CNM, color screening, dissociation, and recombination

X. Zhao, R. Rapp, PRC 82 (2010) 064905 NA50, PLB 477 (2000) 28, STAR, PLB 771 (2017) 13, STAR, PLB 797 (2019) 134917 ALICE, PLB 734 (2014) 314, ALICE, NPA 1005 (2021) 121769

# J/psi suppression: p<sub>T</sub> dependence



PHENIX, PRC 87 (2013) 034904; STAR, PLB 825 (2022) 136865

High  $p_T$  suppression: evidence of color screening and dissociation

### Sequential Upsilon suppression

CMS, PRL 120 (2018) 142301



Υ(1S), Υ(2S), Υ(3S) sizes: 0.28, 0.56, 0.78 fm

Much less contribution from b and bbar recombination

A better probe to study color screening feature of QGP.

Sequential Y suppression at LHC

### Sequential Upsilon suppression



PRL 130 (2023) 112301

Y(1S), Y(2S), Y(3S) sizes: 0.28, 0.56, 0.78 fm

Negligible contribution from b and bbar recombination at RHIC

A better probe to study color screening feature of QGP.

 $\Upsilon(1S) R_{AA} = 0.40 \pm 0.03 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.03 \text{ (sys.)} \pm 0.07 \text{ (norm.)}$ 

 $\Upsilon(2S) R_{AA} = 0.26 \pm 0.07 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.02 \text{ (sys.)} \pm 0.04 \text{ (norm.)}$ 

 $\Upsilon(3S)$  R<sub>AA</sub> upper limit: 0.20 at a 95% confidence level

Sequential Y suppression at RHIC

# Quarkonium suppression vs. binding energy



#### Sequential suppression pattern observed

Caveats: corresponding p+Au measurements, precision

### Towards the future





2023+2024+2025 data: Enable first  $\psi(2S)$  measurement in Au+Au at RHIC

Improve  $J/\psi$  measurement significantly

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2023+2024+2025 data: Enable first Upsilon(3S) R<sub>AA</sub> measurement in Au+Au at RHIC

Improve Upsilon(1S) and Upsilon(2S) measurement significantly

## What do we learn from quarkonia

Despite all the other effects, color screening and dissociation effects were observed, evidence of the in-medium strong force modification

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Not a direct thermometer, but can constrain medium temperature (> 1.5 T_c)
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Important tool to understand deconfinement and hadronization

Call for a coherent picture to systematically understand quarkonium production in heavy ion collisions. Open quantum system? How about p+p, p+A?



### Summary



The newly built sPHENIX detector and upgraded STAR detector at RHIC, together with increased luminosity at the LHC and upgraded ALICE, ATLAS, CMS and LHCb detectors, will enable a multimessenger era for hot QCD based on the combined constraining power of precise measurements using soft, hard, and electro-magnetic probes. --> Establish a coherent picture of heavy ion collisions and inform properties of quark-gluon matter with strong theory collaboration.

# Backup

### Chemical freeze out temperature



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