# **Production** and **spin polarization** of heavy flavor in heavy-ion collisions

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# Outline

- **1. Introduction** heavy ion collisions & in-medium quarkonium
- 2. Heavy quark potential at finite T and baryon density Color screening effect,
  - Parton inelastic scattering
  - V(r,T) from small (pp) to large (AA) collision system
- **3. Spin polarization of heavy quark and quarkonium** HF coupled with rotational QGP Charmonium spin polarization

# **1.Introduction**

Quarkonium:





state	$\eta_c$	$J/\psi$	$\chi_{c0}$	$\chi_{c1}$	$\chi_{c2}$	$\psi'$
mass [GeV]	2.98	3.10	3.42	3.51	3.56	3.69
$\Delta E \; [\text{GeV}]$	0.75	0.64	0.32	0.22	0.18	0.05

Satz, hep-ph/0512217

 $\tau_c \approx 1/(2m_c) \sim 0.06 \text{ fm/c}$ 

Creation of charm pair, with a tight wave package QGP local equilibrium:  $\tau_c \approx 0.6$  fm/c Charmonium bound state formation:

 $\tau_{\psi} \approx 1/(\Delta E) \sim 0.3$  fm/c

Quark Heavy quarkonium as a probe of the early profiles of QGP

Previous studies:(1) X. Guo, S. Shi, P. Zhuang, et alTime-independent relativistic SchrodingerPLB 2012, PRD

(2) P. Gaussian, R. Katz, et al
 Schrodinger-Langevin equation Annals Phys. 368 (2016) 267-295
 Hamiltonian includes a white noise term and a damping term, which affects the expansion and contraction of the wave function

(3) A. Rothkopf, Y. Akamatsu, et al,
 Stochastic Schrodinger equation PRD 97 (2018) 1, 014003
 Potential includes stochastic terms, wave function decoherence to dissociate quarkonium states

(4) M. Strickland et al,
 Time-dependent Schrodinger, with complex potential
 Phys.Lett.B 2020
 Bottomonium suppression with real and imaginary potential

And many other references......



$ au_{\mathrm{c}ar{c}} < 0.1fm$ $ au_{\psi} <  au_{0} (\sim 0.6fm)$ Pre-equilibrium	ι) QGP evolution (hydro) time
$ \begin{array}{c} V_{c\bar{c}}(r) = Cornell \\ \tau = 0 \\ (Pb-Pb) \\ c\bar{c} \text{ dipole} \end{array} $	$V_{c\bar{c}}(r,T) = Lattice (F,U)$ <b>Time-dependent Schrodinger equation</b>

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Snapshot of the  $c\bar{c}$  wavefunction at different time

Imaginary V: transition from singlet to **octet and scattering states.** 

At high T, wavefunction expand outside,  $J/\psi \rightarrow \psi(2S)$ At low T, wavefunction contracts,  $\psi(2S) \rightarrow J/\psi$ 

This is due to the radius dependence of the potential

#### **1.** $c\overline{c}$ internal Initial wavefunction:

Taken as quarkonium eigenstates (neglect the pre-equilibrium effect)

 $\psi_{c\bar{c}}(\tau=\tau_0)=\phi_{1S,2S}(\mathbf{r})$ 

$$f_{pp}^{J/\psi}: f_{pp}^{\chi_c}: f_{pp}^{\psi(2S)} = 0.68: 1: 0.19$$

**2.** The initial momentum and spatial distribution of the center of  $c\overline{c}$  dipole

$$f_{\Psi}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{x} | \mathbf{b}) = (2\pi)^{3} \delta(z) T_{\mathrm{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{T}) T_{\mathrm{A}}(\mathbf{x}_{T} - \mathbf{b})$$
$$\times \mathcal{R}_{\mathrm{g}}(x_{g}, \mu_{\mathrm{F}}, \mathbf{x}_{\mathrm{T}} - \mathbf{b}) \frac{d\bar{\sigma}_{pp}^{\Psi}}{d^{3}\mathbf{p}},$$
$$\mathbf{b}_{\mathrm{A}}$$
Shadowing effect from EPS09 NLO

# $J/\psi$ QGP

#### The initial momentum of $c\overline{c}$ dipoles in pp, (neglect the mass difference)

$$\frac{dN_{J/\psi}}{2\pi p_T dp_T} = \frac{(n-1)}{\pi (n-2) \langle p_T^2 \rangle_{pp}} [1 + \frac{p_T^2}{(n-2) \langle p_T^2 \rangle_{pp}}]^{-n}$$
  
n = 3.2  $\langle p_T^2 \rangle (y) = \langle p_T^2 \rangle (y=0) [1 - (\frac{y}{ymax})^2]$ 

**Including Cronin effect** 

$$\frac{d\bar{\sigma}_{pp}^{\Psi}}{d^{3}\mathbf{p}} = \frac{1}{\pi a_{gN}l} \int d^{2}\mathbf{q}_{T} e^{\frac{-\mathbf{q}_{T}^{2}}{a_{gN}l}} \frac{d\sigma_{pp}^{\Psi}}{d^{3}\mathbf{p}}$$
$$a_{gN} = 0.15 (GeV/c)^{2}$$
$$\cdot \ln(\sqrt{s_{NN}}/m_{\Psi})$$

# > The initial yields of charmonium eigenstates $n_{mS}^{t=0}(\mathbf{x}_T, p_T | \mathbf{b}, y) = n_{c\bar{c}}(\mathbf{x}_T, p_T | \mathbf{b}) \times |\langle R_{mS}(r) | \phi_0(r) \rangle|^2$ $|c_{mS}(t=0|\mathbf{b})|^2 = \int d\mathbf{x}_T \int_{p_{T1}}^{p_{T2}} dp_T \ n_{mS}(\mathbf{x}_T, p_T | \mathbf{b})$

> Charmonium direct  $R_{AA}$  with hot medium effects,

$$\begin{split} R_{pA}^{\text{direct}}(nl) &= \frac{\langle |c_{nl}(t)|^2 \rangle_{\text{en}}}{\langle |c_{nl}(t_0)|^2 \rangle_{\text{en}}} \\ &= \frac{\int d\mathbf{x}_{\Psi} d\mathbf{p}_{\Psi} |c_{nl}(t, \mathbf{x}_{\Psi}, \mathbf{p}_{\Psi})|^2 \frac{dN_{pA}^{\Psi}}{d\mathbf{x}_{\Psi} d\mathbf{p}_{\Psi}}}{\int d\mathbf{x}_{\Psi} d\mathbf{p}_{\Psi} |c_{nl}(t_0, \mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{p}_{\Psi})|^2 \frac{\overline{dN_{pA}^{\Psi}}}{d\mathbf{x}_{\Psi} d\mathbf{p}_{\Psi}}} \end{split}$$

$$R_{pA}(J/\psi) = \frac{\sum_{nl} \langle |c_{nl}(t)|^2 \rangle_{\rm en} f_{pp}^{nl} \mathcal{B}_{nl \to J/\psi}}{\sum_{nl} \langle |c_{nl}(t_0)| \rangle^2 \rangle_{\rm en} f_{pp}^{nl} \mathcal{B}_{nl \to J/\psi}}$$

 $c\bar{c}$  dipoles move inside QGP

$$\mathbf{R}_{c\bar{c}}(\tau + \Delta \tau) = \mathbf{R}_{c\bar{c}} + \mathbf{v}_{c\bar{c}} \cdot \Delta \tau$$

#### **Heavy quark potential**

#### Is color screening important in small system?

#### Weak color screening



#### Heavy quark potential

#### Brief discussion about the real part of the potential (color screening):

$V_{Q\bar{Q}}(r) = \langle$	$\left(-\frac{4}{3}\alpha_s\mathrm{e}^{-m_Dr}/r+\sigma r\right)$	$, r < R_{\rm SB}$
	$\left(-\frac{4}{3}\alpha_{s}\mathrm{e}^{-m_{D}r}/r+\sigma R_{\mathrm{SB}}\right)$	$, r > R_{SB}$

*DX, Liu, Rapp, PLB* 796 (2019) 20-25



Extract real part of potential from bottomonium

other references Tsinghua Transport: **Bottomonium with V=U** Liu, Chen, Zhuang, PLB 697 (2011) 32-36

See also Prof. Shuzhe Shi's talk:  $V_{DNN}$ : time-independent Sch.

temperature regions in small collision systems

reening at **T (~ 200 MeV)** close to Tc; a bit

stronger color screening at higher T

Distance dependence: weak color screening at small radius, significant effect at large r

# 3. Charmonium in pp 13 TeV

#### Ratio of charmonium suppression in pp 13 TeV



- Charmonium has been suggested as a probe of the early stage of HIC before.
  - relative suppression 2S/1S:

not affected by the effects before the formation of  $c\overline{c}$ 

$$V_R pprox -rac{lpha}{r} + \sigma r$$
 in pp (pA)



Wen, Du, Shi, BC, CPC 46 (2022) 114102

Co-mover model

### 3. Charmonium in pp 13 TeV

Initial conditions in pp:

**Proton size:** 

$$\rho_p = \frac{\rho_0}{1 + e^{(r - r_p)/a_p}}$$



$$r_p=0.9$$
 fm,  $a_p\cong 0.1$  fm

Employ relative suppression of charmonium 2S/1S to extract the initial hot medium

• Initial momentum distribution of charm dipole

$$\frac{d^2 N_{\Psi}}{d\phi p_T dp_T} = \frac{(n-1)}{\pi (n-2) \langle p_T^2 \rangle} [1 + \frac{p_T^2}{(n-2) \langle p_T^2 \rangle}]^{-n}$$

$$< p_T^2 >= 15 \, (GeV/c)^2$$
  
 $n = 3.2$ 



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## 3. Charmonium in p-Pb 5.02 TeV





 $< p_T^2 >= (80, 55, 28)(GeV/c)^2$ <u>At 5020, 2760, 200 GeV</u>

n = 2.5

• Direct yields of bottomonium states at 5.02 TeV

State	$\Upsilon(1s)$	$\chi_b(1p)$	$\Upsilon(2s)$	$\chi_b(2p)$	$ \Upsilon(3s) $
$\sigma_{\exp}(nb)$	57.6	33.51	19	29.42	6.8
$\sigma_{ ext{direct}}(nb)$	37.97	44.2	18.27	37.68	8.21

Medium temperature (b=0) T(5.02TeV)=510 MeV T(2.76TeV)=484 MeV T(200GeV)=390 MeV



This ratio between different states are also used in 2.76 TeV and 200 GeV

Two kinds of imaginary potential are fitted

- Smaller band: fit the central value and shifted upward slightly to consider partial uncertainty.
- Larger band: one sigma uncertainty is included.



Clear <u>sequential suppression pattern</u> is observed when using V=U



#### Sequential suppression pattern in all collision energies by taking strong V



 $R_{AA}$  sensitive to the uncertainty in the imaginary potential, helps to constrain the heavy quark potential via deep learning methods<sub>18</sub>

#### 3.HQ potential at finite $\mu_B$

#### Introduce baryon chemical potential in HQ potential





Correction from  $\mu_{R}$  not evident.



#### **3.HQ potential at finite** $\mu_B$

#### Introduce baryon chemical potential in HQ potential

$$\begin{split} V_R(r, T, \mu_B) &= -\frac{\alpha}{r} e^{-m_d r} + \frac{\sigma}{m_d} (1 - e^{-m_d r}) \\ V_I(r, T, \mu_B) &= -i \frac{g^2 C_F T}{4\pi} \tilde{f}(\hat{r}), \\ \tilde{f}(\hat{r}) &= 2 \int_0^\infty dz \frac{z}{(z^2 + 1)^2} \left[ 1 - \frac{\sin(z\hat{r})}{z\hat{r}} \right] \end{split}$$

$$m_d(T, \mu_B) = T \sqrt{\frac{4\pi N_c}{3}} \alpha \left(1 + \frac{N_f}{6}\right) \times \sqrt{1 + \frac{3N_f}{(2N_c + N_f)\pi^2} \left(\frac{\mu_B}{3T}\right)^2}$$
$$\mu_B(\sqrt{s_{NN}}) = \frac{1.3}{1 + 0.28\sqrt{s_{NN}}}$$

CPC 42, 013103 (2018)

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• Charmonium evolution in Bjorken medium With a fixed  $\mu_B/T$ 

$$\frac{T(t)}{T(t_0)} = \left(\frac{t_0}{t}\right)^{1/3}$$

• The effect of  $\mu_B$  on charmonium suppression Is weak at  $\mu_B/T = 1.0$ 



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#### **Regeneration: Heavy quark coupled with QGP**



Rotational QGP: HF are strongly coupled with the rotational QGP.

HF carry the collective motion, and their spin polarization affected by the vortical field ?

HQ detect the transverse profiles of QGP, via sizable  $v_1, \ v_2, \ v_3$ 

Charm directed flow: *Phys.Rev.Lett.* 120 (2018) 19, 192301

$$\begin{split} s(\tau_0, x, y, \eta_{\parallel}) &= s_0 \{ \alpha N_{\text{coll}} + (1 - \alpha) [N_{\text{part}}^+ f_+(\eta_{\parallel}) \\ &+ N_{\text{part}}^- f_-(\eta_{\parallel})] \} f(\eta_{\parallel}), \end{split}$$





$$f(\eta_{\parallel}) = \exp\left(-\theta(|\eta_{\parallel}| - \eta_{\parallel}^{0})\frac{(|\eta_{\parallel}| - \eta_{\parallel}^{0})^{2}}{2\sigma^{2}}\right)$$
$$f_{+}(\eta_{\parallel}) = \begin{cases} 0 & \eta_{\parallel} < -\eta_{T} \\ \frac{\eta_{T} + \eta_{\parallel}}{2\eta_{T}} & -\eta_{T} \le \eta_{\parallel} \le \eta_{T} \\ 1 & \eta_{\parallel} > \eta_{T}, \end{cases}$$

#### **Regeneration: Heavy quark coupled with QGP**



before

collision

Charm directed flow: Phys.Rev.Lett. 120 (2018) 19, 192301

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Figure from MUSIC: 1209.6330

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Introduce Fluctuations in initial energy density

$$\epsilon(\boldsymbol{x}, \tau_0 | \boldsymbol{b}) \to \epsilon(\tilde{\boldsymbol{x}}, \tau_0 | \boldsymbol{b})$$
  
$$\tilde{\boldsymbol{x}} = (x_T \sqrt{1 + \varepsilon_3 \cos[3(\phi_s - \Psi_3)]},$$



## Quarkonium triangular flow $v_3$



It seems that HQ and quarkonium may be one of promising probes to detect the initial rotations of QGP. The degree of HQ spin polarization by this QGP rotation deserves further studies.



# $J/\psi$ polarization

#### $J/\psi$ polarization including both initial production and regeneration:



#### Heavy quark polarization in B-field

Landau-Lifshitz-Gilbert (LLG) equation

 $\rightarrow$ 

PRB 83, 134418 (2011)

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = -\frac{\gamma}{1+\alpha^2} [\vec{S} \times (\vec{H} + \vec{H_{th}})] - \frac{\alpha\gamma}{1+\alpha^2} \vec{S} \times [\vec{S} \times (\vec{H} + \vec{H_{th}})]$$



#### Heavy quark polarization in B-field



$$eB_1(t) = \frac{eB_0}{1 + (\frac{t}{t_B})^2}$$
$$eB_2(t, x, y) = \frac{eB_0}{1 + (\frac{t}{t_B})} \exp(-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma_x^2} - \frac{y^2}{2\sigma_y^2})$$



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#### Heavy quark polarization in B-field



Spin polarization in RHIC: s and c quarks after movig out of QGP

### **Summary**

 We study the in-medium HQ potentials from small (pp, pA) to large (Pb-Pb, Au-Au) collision systems with charmonium observables.

The Color screening effect is expected to be small and imaginary parts of the potential dominates the quarkonium suppression.

- Heavy quarks strongly coupled with the expanding QGP, and HQ is sensitive to the initial profiles of QGP energy density, which makes HQ carry the information of rotational QGP.
- The spin-polarization of heavy flavor is discussed.

#### **More slides**

# 4. $J/\psi$ polarization in Pb-Pb

The angular distribution of the two decay products of  $J/\psi$  reflects the polarization of the quarkonium state in dilepton decays,

$$W(\theta,\phi) \propto \frac{1}{3+\lambda_{\theta}} (1+\lambda_{\theta}\cos^{2}\theta+\lambda_{\phi}\sin^{2}\theta\cos 2\phi + \lambda_{\theta\phi}\sin 2\theta\cos\phi),$$

 $\theta$  and  $\varphi$  are the polar and azimuthal angles in a given reference frame

#### Polarization depending on the chosen frame (three selected frames):

- Collins-Soper (CS) frame: the z-axis is defined as the bisector of the angles between the direction of one beam and the opposite of another beam in the rest frame of the J/ψ.
- 2 helicity frame (HX), z-axis is defined as the direction of the J/ψ in the centre of mass frame of two colliding nucleus.
- 3 event plane frame (EP), z-axis is defined as the direction orthogonal to the event plane

#### 4. $J/\psi$ polarization in Pb-Pb

#### polarization parameters $(\lambda_{\theta}, \lambda_{\phi}, \lambda_{\theta\phi})$ in different frames are connected with

$$egin{aligned} \lambda_{ heta}' &=& rac{\lambda_{ heta} - 3\Lambda}{1 + \Lambda}, \ \lambda_{\phi}' &=& rac{\lambda_{\phi} + \Lambda}{1 + \Lambda}, \ \lambda_{ heta\phi}' &=& rac{\lambda_{ heta\phi} \cos 2\delta - (\lambda_{ heta} - \lambda_{\phi})/2 \sin 2\delta}{1 + \Lambda}, \end{aligned}$$

<u>Zhao, BC,</u> Eur.Phys.J.C 84 (2024) 8, 875

With 
$$\Lambda = (\lambda_{\theta} - \lambda_{\phi})/2\sin^2 \delta - \lambda_{\theta\phi}/2\sin 2\delta$$

And  $\delta\;$  to be the angle between two polarization axis.

$$\delta_{\text{CS}\to\text{HX}} = \arccos\left(\frac{m_{J/\psi}\sinh y}{\sqrt{p_T^2 + E_T^2\sinh^2 y}}\right)$$

$$\delta_{\text{HX}\to\text{EP}} = \arccos\left(\frac{p_T\sin\phi}{\sqrt{p_T^2 + E_T^2\sinh^2 y}}\right)$$

$$Averaged polarization in total production
$$\lambda_\theta(p_T) = \frac{N_{\text{ini}}(p_T)\lambda_\theta^{\text{ini}}(p_T) + N_{\text{reg}}(p_T)\lambda_\theta^{\text{reg}}(p_T)}{N_{\text{ini}}(p_T) + N_{\text{reg}}(p_T)}$$$$





Final momentum distribution of D-meson from Langevin equation Well describe the data at small  $p_T$ 



Much stronger coupling between HQ and QGP

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