Heavy quarks in a Quark-Gluon Plasma at the LHC

- charm and beauty production in pp collisions at the LHC
- energy loss of partons in a QGP light quarks charm and beauty quarks
- elliptic flow of heavy quarks

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transport coefficient for heavy quarks? also energy loss of heavy quark (radiative energy loss should be suppressed due to large mass (1.2 GeV); in vaccum gluon radiation into angles $\theta \leq \frac{m_q}{E_q}$ suppressed (Dokshitzer and Kharzeev) and Casimir factor $C_q = 4/3$ vs $C_{gluon} = 3$

need total charm cross section for understanding of charmonia (ccbar states)

in pp and pA charm physics interesting on it's own right, tests pQCD and parton distribution functions as well as nuclear effects



Production of charm quarks and charmonia in hadronic collisions



• charm and beauty quarks are produced in early hard scattering processes time scale $\tau \approx 1/2$ mg $\approx 0.02 - 0.1$ fm • most important Feynman diagram: gluon fusion • formation of quarkonia: with about 1% probability the c and cbar form ³1S state = J/ψ requires transition to a color singlet state not pure perturbative QCD anymore, some modelling required **CEM Color Evaporation Model** CSM Color Singlet Model now overall reasonably successful modelling

How to measure open heavy flavor production



need good PID (in particular e, mu, also K) and vertexing capabilities (sub 100 µm)

Measurement of heavy flavor production

reconstruction of hadronic decays: $|\eta| < 0.5$ PID TPC, TOF $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi \quad D^{\pm} \rightarrow K\pi\pi \quad D^* \rightarrow D\pi \quad D_s \rightarrow Kk\pi \quad \Lambda_c \rightarrow \Lambda\pi$

semi-leptonic decays: $c,b \rightarrow e \quad |\eta| < 0.8 \text{ PID TPC, TRD, TOF, EMCal}$ $c,b \rightarrow \mu \quad |\eta| = 2.5-4.0 \text{ PID muon RPCs}$



Particle identification in ALICE central barrel



tracking performance – ITS system



resolution of transverse distance to interaction vertex of global ITS-TPC tracks after careful alignment of Silicon Pixel Detectors expected vertex and impact parameter resolution reached

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PbPb at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76 \text{ TeV}$ ALICE, ATLAS, CMS 2010 about 9 µb⁻¹ 2011 about 150 µb⁻¹ $\cong 10^9$ collisions pPb at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02 \text{ TeV}$ ALICE, ATLAS, CMS, LHCb 2013 about 30 nb⁻¹ $\cong 5.10^{10}$ collisions total of about 12 weeks in 3 years of running pp reference at $\sqrt{s}=7$ TeV ALICE 2010 about 5 nb⁻¹ min bias and 16.5 nb⁻¹ muon trigger pp ref. at $\sqrt{s}=2.76$ TeV ALICE 2011 about 1.1 nb⁻¹ min bias and 19 nb⁻¹ muon trigger

Charm and beauty in pp at the LHC



D⁰, **D**⁺ and **D**^{0*} in 7 TeV pp data



Measurements agree well with state of the art pQCD calculations



data are compared to perturbative QCD calculations reasonable agreement - at upper end of FONLL and at lower end of GM-VFNS measure 80% of charm cross section for |y| < 0.5 FONLL: Cacciari et al., arXiv:1205.6344 GM-VFNS: Kniehl et al., arXiv:1202.0439

mid-y cross sections: $d\sigma^{D^0}/dy = 516 \pm 41(\text{stat.})^{+ 69}_{- 175}(\text{syst.}) \pm 18(\text{lumi.}) \pm 7(\text{BR})^{+ 120}_{- 37}(\text{extr.}) \mu b$,

 $d\sigma^{D^+}/dy = 248 \pm 30(\text{stat.})^{+52}_{-92}(\text{syst.}) \pm 9(\text{lumi.}) \pm 5(\text{BR})^{+57}_{-18}(\text{extr.}) \ \mu\text{b},$ $d\sigma^{D^{*+}}/dy = 247 \pm 27(\text{stat.})^{+36}_{-81}(\text{syst.}) \pm 9(\text{lumi.}) \pm 4(\text{BR})^{+57}_{-16}(\text{extr.}) \ \mu\text{b}.$

D_s **p**_t spectrum compared to pQCD



 $d\sigma^{D_{s}^{+}}/dy = 118 \pm 28(\text{stat.})^{+28}_{-34}(\text{syst.}) \pm 4(\text{lumi.}) \pm 6(\text{BR})^{+38}_{-35}(\text{extr.}) \ \mu\text{b}$

GM-VFNS: Kniehl et al., arXiv:1202.0439

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Comparison of D-meson yields among experiments and to models





canonical statistical model (SHM) with T=164 MeV, V=30±10 fm3, strangeness fugacity 0.60±0.04

Andronic, Beutler, Braun-Munzinger, Redlich, JS, PLB 678 (2009) 350

very similar number LHCb in B-sector: f_s/f_d = 0.267+0.021-0.020
within current errors no evidence for lifting of strangeness suppression at LHC energy

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Semi-leptonic decays of charm and beauty mesons



use conversion method for π^0 , η measurement plus precision determination of material thickness

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1.2

1.3 E/p

1.1

0.9

Gamma-ray tomography of ALICE



pi0 and eta measurement in ALICE



data plus Tsallis parameterisation for hadron cocktail

Charm and beauty via semi-leptonic decays

inclusive electron spectrum from 2 PID methods: TPC-TOF-TRD and TPC-EMCAL



Heavy flavor decay leptons compared to pQCD



data well described by pQCD (FONLL)

[Cacciari et al. JHEP 05 (1998) 007, Cacciari et al. JHEP 07 (2001) 006, Cacciari et al arXiv:1205.6344 (2012)]

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Charm and beauty electrons compared to pQCD



- ALICE data complementary to ATLAS measurement at higher pt (somewhat larger y-interval)
- good agreement with pQCD
- at upper end of FONLL range for p_t

< 3 GeV/c where charm dominates

PRD76 (2012) 112007 arXiv:1205.5423 ATLAS: PLB707 (2012) 438 FONLL: Cacciari et al., arXiv:1205.6344

a first try at the total ccbar cross section in pp collisions



- good agreement between ALICE, ATLAS and LHCb
- large syst error due to extrapolation to low pt, need to push measurements in that direction
- data factor 2 ± 0.5 above central value of FONLL but well within uncertainty
- beam energy dependence follows well FONLL

Separation of charm and beauty via minimum impact parameter cut





cross check: compare spectrum with min. d0 cut to spectrum where decays from charm were subtracted using measured D cross sections and FONLL for unmeasured parts \rightarrow very good agreement

Comparison electrons from beauty and charm decays



electron from charm and beauty decays measured separately from 1-8 GeV/c

beyond 4 GeV/c beauty larger than charm

good agreement with pQCD, data lie in upper half of FONLL band

Beauty cross section in pp and ppbar collisions



rapidity density of beauty cross section in excellent agreement with pQCD

total bbar cross section

 $\sigma_{bb}^{-} = 280 \pm 23(\text{stat})^{+81}_{-79}(\text{sys})^{+7}_{-8}(\text{extr}) \pm 10(\text{BR}) \ \mu\text{b}_{-8}$

well consistent with ALICE measurement of J/psi from displaced secondary vertices

 $\sigma_{bb}^{-} = 282 \pm 74(\text{stat})^{+58}_{-68}(\text{sys})^{+8}_{-7}(\text{extr}) \ \mu \text{b}$ compared to FONLL $\sigma_{bb}^{-} = 259^{+120}_{-96} \ \mu \text{b}$

collisions of pPb as baseline for PbPb

p Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV

heavy flavor measurements via: D-mesons, heavy flavor decay electrons and muons



collisions of pPb - D meson spectra



prompt spectra of D_0 , D⁺, D^{*+}, D_s⁺ and their conjugates (b subtracted via FONLL) various calculations describe data comparably well, nuclear effects small from moderate pt upwards



collisions of pPb as baseline for PbPb



p Pb data consistent with unity strong suppression in nuclear collision is final state (QGP) effect

Heavy flavor decay electrons and muons in pPb



Double-ridge structure also apparent in heavy flavor electrons in pPb collisions



- trigger particle: heavy flavor decay electron

- associated particle: ch. Hadron
- jet correlations removed by subtracting from the highest multiplicity class (0-20%) the angular correlation of the lowest multiplicity class (60-100%)

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results very similar to light flavor sector explanation? Collective expansion? CGC?

D meson signals in Pb Pb collisions



Suppression of charm at LHC energy

pp reference at 2.76 TeV: measured 7 TeV spectrum scaled with FONLL cross checked with 2.76 TeV measurement (large uncertainty due to limited luminosity



energy loss for all species of D-mesons within errors equal - not trivial energy loss of central collisions very significant - suppr. factor 5 for 5-15 GeV/c

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Comparing D_s to D⁰, D⁺, D^{*+}



- R_{AA} all D⁰, D⁺, D^{*+} averaged: centrality dependence as for charged particles
- energy loss of D_s comparable, less at low p_t?

interest in D_s yield: standard stat. hadronization vs enhancement reflecting strangness in QGP and in possible enhancement of RAA at intermediate pt due to coalescence *Kuznetsova, Rafelski, EPJ C 51 (2007) 113; He et al., PRL 110 (2013) 112301; Andronic et al., PLB 659 (2008) 149*

Suppression of charm at LHC energy

comparison to EPS09 shadowing: ЧА suppression not an initial state effect Pb-Pb, √s_{NN} = 2.76 TeV 1.8 will be measured directly in pPb collisions 1.6 • Average D⁰, D⁺, D⁺ lyl<0.5, 0-7.5% o with pp p_-extrapolated reference 1209 (2013) 2012 arXiv:1203.2160 1.4 Charged particles, ml<0.8, 0-10%</p> Land 1.8 Land 1.6 Land 1.4 Land 1.6 Land 1.6 ALICE 1.8 1.2 • Charged pions, ml<0.8, 0-10% 0-20% centrality Pb-Pb, $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ = 2.76 TeV Average D⁰, D⁺, D^{*+}, |y|<0.5 0.8 NLO(MNR) with EPS09 shad. g,u,d,s 1.2 0.6 1⊢ 0.4 0.8 0.2 0.6 0 5 10 15 20 25 30 35 'n 0.4 p₋ (GeV/c) 0.2 ALI-DER-56048 0 energy loss of charm quarks only slightly less 2 12 14 16 18 10 p (GeV/c) than that for light quark \rightarrow thermalization

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Centrality dependence of charm suppression



absolute values and centrality dependence similar between D and π

in agreement with models implementing $\Delta E_g > \Delta E_{u,d,s} > \Delta E_c$ and taking into account different shapes of parton distributions and fragmentation functions

Djordjevic, PLB 734 (2014) 286; Wicks, Horowitz, Djordjevic, NPA 872 (2011) 265

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}}$ of decay electrons and muons from heavy flavor mesons



for central collisions (most central 10 %) very significant suppression – factor 2-4 for pt > 3 GeV/c - also for electrons and muons from c and b decays

indicative of significant energy loss

suppression for mid-y (electrons at lyl<0.6) and forward y (muons at 2.5 < y < 4.0) very similar

What about b-quark energy loss and thermalization?



- separation of electrons from b-decay via fit of dca distribution of electrons with templates from measured impact parameter distributions - for most central 10% collisions, electrons from b-decay show suppression for $p_t > 3$ GeV/c

Comparison c and b-quark energy loss with theory

above 6.5 GeV/c in PbPb collisions, b-quark suppression established by CMS via J/ψ from B-decay



non-prompt J/ ψ less suppressed than D in line with expectation $\Delta E_c > \Delta E_b$ mean p_t of D and contributing B mesons as well as rapidity range are similar

pQCD based calculation of energy loss in QGP reproduces data well (M. Djordjevic PLB 734 (2014) 286)

other calculations (TAMU, BAMPS, WHDG, MC@sHQ+EPOS2) give similar trends



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Suppression only for Strongly Interacting Hard Probes



photons, Z and W scale with number of binary collisions in PbPb – not affected by medium \rightarrow demonstrates that charged particle suppression is medium effect: energy loss in QGP

Azimuthal Anisotropy of Transverse Spectra



Fourier decomposition of momentum distributions rel. to reaction plane:

$$\frac{dN}{dp_t dy d\phi} = N_0 \cdot \left[1 + \sum_{i=1}^{N} 2v_i (y, p_t) \cos(i\phi)\right]$$

quadrupole component v₂ "elliptic flow" effect of expansion (positive v₂) from top AGS energy

the v are the equivalent of the power spectrum of cosmic microwave rad

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Elliptic Flow of Charged Particles at LHC



Charm Quarks also Exhibit Elliptic Flow



2 centrality classes event plane from TPC corrected for B-feed down (FONLL)



non-zero elliptic flow for 5.7 σ effect for D⁰ 2-6 GeV/c within errors charmed hadron v₂ equal to that of all charged hadrons

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v₂ of leptons from heavy flavor decays



also electrons and muons from heavy flavor decays exhibit elliptic flow similar to D-mesons in magnitude and pt and centrality dependence low pt c-quark follow collective expansion of QGP

Model Description of Energy Loss and Flow of D-mesons



both are determined by transport properties of the medium (QGP) simultaneous description still a challenge for some models

Energy loss and flow of charm quarks at RHIC energy



current LHC data start above 2 GeV/c but elliptic flow of D mesons reproduced by the same approach wo new parameters

calc: A. Beraudo et al. 1407.5918, 1410.6082

calculations with charm quark energy loss in QGP using Langevin equation with weak coupling transport coefficients and hadronization in an expanding medium lead to enhancement in low p_t region



Many heavy flavor observables studied in pp, pPb, PbPb

charm quarks lose energy efficiently in QGP, thermalization

many things still to do

- open charm cross section in PbPb and pp, pPb, precision
- in b-sector field still wide open

exciting years to come



AdSxS5 string theory does not describe charm quark energy loss and elliptic flow at LHC

