#### J/ψ production at LHC energies

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### **Plan of this talk**

Introduction

**ALICE** detector

Quarkonia production

First results: p+p collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 7$  TeV

Summary

## Hadronic matter



- Hadronic matter can be subdivided into:
  - Baryons (qqq) bound together
     Mesons (qqq) by gluons
  - Mesons (qq) by gluons
- Under normal conditions it is not possible to observe 'free' quarks, antiquarks and gluons
- However under extreme conditions hadronic matter undergoes a phase transition into a Quark-Gluon Plasma: the state of deconfined strongly interacting matter.
- Furthermore quarks reduce to their bare masses
  - $\rightarrow$  A further test of QCD



#### The Phase Diagram



## **Heavy Ion Collisions**

- Why collide heavy ions?
  - So as to pack enough energy into a large enough volume to create a macroscopic ultra-hot (10<sup>12</sup> K) fireball within which matter enters the QGP phase



A typical Heavy Ion Collision



## Terminology (2)

• Rapidity, y, is defined:

$$y = \frac{1}{\tau} ln \left( \frac{E + P_L}{E - P_L} \right)$$

- Useful for HEP experiments as the rapidity distribution, measured in the lab frame, is unaffected by a longitudinal Lorentz boost and so easy to convert to centre of mass frame
- The rapidity of a particle is a measure of where in the collision it has come from.

### Signatures of the QGP

- It is not possible to observe a QGP directly, instead we look for predicted signatures
- The more commonly used signatures include:
  - Strangeness Enhancement
  - $J/\psi$  Suppression
  - Dilepton Pairs
  - Direct Photons
  - High  $p_{\scriptscriptstyle T}$  Suppression and Jet Quenching

Refs (for example): J. Letessier & J. Rafelski, Hadrons & Quark-Gluon Plasma, CUP (2002) JW Harris and B Müller, Annu. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci. 46 (1996) 71

### From SPS, RHIC to the LHC

#### • SPS

- Observed many of the signatures predicted for QGP formation
- CERN announced a new state of matter in 2000.

SPS heavy ion programme 1986 with Oxygen ions 1987 - 1993 Sulphur ions 1994 - 2000 Lead ions Organisation Européenne pour la Recherche Nucléaire European Organization for Nuclear Research New State of Matter created at CERN

At a special seminar on 10 February, spokespersons from the experiments on CERN\* 's Heavy Ion programme presented compelling evidence for the existence of a new state of matter in which quarks, instead of being bound up into more complex particles such as protons and neutrons, are liberated to roam freely.

## Quarkonia in heavy-ions

Quarkonia suppression was one of the main pieces of evidence for CERN's claim to have produced a QGP phase at SPS energies





Different lattice calculations do not agree on whether the  $J/\psi$  is screened or not measurements will have to tell!



Debye screening predicted to destroy  $J/\psi$ 's in a QGP with other states "melting" at different temperatures due to different sizes or binding energies

### J/ψ Suppression



Colour screening in QGP: Screening radius < size of J/ψ (~0.5 fm)

So cc bound state cannot survive in QGP. Seen at SPS energies

At LHC energies, colour screening could be strong enough to break-up  $\Upsilon$  (bb) or maybe just  $\Upsilon$ ' or  $\Upsilon$ ''.

#### Anomalous suppression SPS and RHIC

 $J/\psi$  yield vs  $N_{\text{mt}}$  , normalised to collision scaling expectations



Peripheral collisions exhibit a  $J/\psi$  yield in agreement with the normal nuclear absorption pattern derived from pA collisions.

As the centrality of the collision increases  $\rightarrow$  the J/ $\Psi$  yield decreases: anomalous J/ $\psi$  suppression

Suppression patterns are surprisingly similar at SPS and RHIC!

### Suppression at RHIC

#### $J/\psi$ Nuclear modification factor



Results from AuAu collisions at 200 GeV show that:

- more suppression at forward than at mid-rapidity
- suppression is beyond CNM effects: anomalous suppression

CNM effects include shadowing + absorption

#### PHENIX A+A Data and Features

PHENIX Au+Au data shows suppression at mid-rapidity about the same as seen at the SPS at lower energy

- but stronger suppression at forward rapidity.
- Forward/Mid  $R_{AA}$  ratio looks flat above a centrality with  $N_{mt} = 100$

Several scenarios may contribute:

- Cold nuclear matter (CNM) effects
  important, need better constraint
- Sequential suppression
  - QGP screening only of  $\chi_c \& \psi'$ removing their feed-down contribution to J/ $\psi$  at both SPS & RHIC
- Regeneration models

 give enhancement that compensates for screening



Mike Leitch



#### Parton Distribution Functions in nuclei

Is a free proton the same as a proton inside a nucleus?

No! Some "nuclear effects" modify the probabilities of finding partons of given *x* when the proton is inside a nucleus

The "EKS 98 model" (among others) provides the ratio between the PDFs in a "proton of a nucleus of mass number A" and in a "free proton"

$$R_i^{A}(x,Q^2) = \frac{f_i^{A}(x,Q^2)}{f_i^{p}(x,Q^2)}$$

"Shadowing" or "anti-shadowing":

Decrease or increase of the parton's density in the nucleus, in a certain kinematic range...

For a given collision energy and a given produced mass, the *x* values depend on the rapidity range where the measurement is made



(Shadowing means that some of the partons are obscured by virtue of having another parton in front of them. For hard spheres, for example, this would result in a decrease of the scattering cross section relative to what is expected from incoherent independent scattering.)

# Small-*x* physics and non-linear evolution





This is the quantum evolution of the hadron wavefunction. Because the saturation momentum is larger in nuclei than it is in protons, it is more difficult to produce glue at small x. Therefore as one goes to smaller values of x, there should be fewer particles at small x relative to the expectation from incoherent scattering.... L.M.

#### Heavy-ion collisions



#### Nuclear modification factor at RHIC BRAHMS data



#### Experience from SPS and RHIC

• We have learnt that understanding less complex systems (p+p and p+A) is a must

- Cold Nuclear Matter effects (CNM) are not trivial.

- Measurements in p+A are needed.
- Vital to measure p+p and p+A at same  $\sqrt{s}$  (or above and below) than that in A+A

#### Are nuclear PDFs important?

The EKS98 nuclear PDFs give a 20-25% *higher* charm production cross section in Pb-Pb collisions at the SPS and a ~40% *lower* value at the LHC, as compared to a linear extrapolation from pp collisions



#### Remarks:

If the pp and Pb-Pb collisions are collected at different energies, the corrections for the nuclear effects are non trivial

We cannot *directly* compare heavy-ion and pp data

This influences the analysis of the  $J/\psi$  suppression data and the comparisons between the SPS and RHIC data sets

Central to Peripheral Modification Factor (R<sub>CP</sub>)

$$R_{CP}(p_T) = \frac{\langle N_{coll} \rangle_P}{\langle N_{coll} \rangle_C} \times \frac{d^2 N_C / dp_T dy}{d^2 N_P / dp_T dy}$$

*C* and *P* are two centrality classes, Central and Peripheral  $N_{coll}$  are the average number of nucleon-nucleon (N-N) collisions for nucleus-nucleus (A-A) collisions in a given centrality class

• Expect  $R_{CP} = 1$  if the A-A collision were merely a superposition of  $N_{coll}$ independent N-N collisions

Ref: F Antinori et al. (NA57 Collaboration), Phys. Lett. B 623 (2005) 17

### J/ψ CNM effects

pA might be crucial to understand the AA data at LHC energies



#### arxiv:0912.4498

At PHENIX, CNM effects (EKS shadowing + dissociation from fits to d+Au data, with R. Vogt calculations) give large fraction of observed Au+Au suppression, especially at mid-rapidity

#### Bottom line: CNM could explain the mid-forward rapidity difference

#### The small-*x* regime



#### The LHC: p+p, p+A and A+A collider

- Heavy ion programme (ALICE PPR Vol I) foresees 1 year p+Pb run
- The LHC has a single magnet ring with two beams aperture.
  - Pb-beam momentum (Z/A) x  $p_p = 2.8 \text{ TeV}$
  - Peaked at 8.8 <u>T</u>eV for p+Pb. For  $p_p = 4.4 \text{ TeV}, \sqrt{S} = 5.5 \text{ in p+Pb}$
  - Physics conditions involve a central rapidity shift of 0.47 in p+Pb
  - d+Pb is more interesting because of a shift of 0.1 (same acceptance than Pb+Pb) but technically difficult (an additional injection source will be needed)

$$L = 1.5 \times 10^{29} \, cm^{-2} s^{-1}$$

$$\sqrt{s} = \sqrt{\frac{Z_1 Z_2}{A_1 A_2}} p_p$$

$$\Delta y = 0.5 \ln \left(\frac{Z_1 Z_2}{A_1 A_2}\right)$$

#### HQ pair cross-section in p+A

$$\frac{dN_Q^{pPb}}{dyd^2P_T} = f_g^{(p)}(x_1) \otimes \varphi(x_2) \otimes \frac{dN_{gluons \to Q\overline{Q}}^{sat}}{dyd^2P_T}$$

- **1. Gluon distribution in the proton** (CTEQ)
- **2. Gluon distribution in a saturated nucleus** (BK evolution equation + initial condition on  $x_2$  from the McLerran-Venugopalan model)
- **3. Heavy quark spectrum** (gluon fusion with rescattering effects)



#### Nuclear modification factor- CGC



## The J/Ψ: Suppression *numerical calculations at 8.8 TeV*



## The J/Ψ: multiple scattering *numerical calculations at 8.8 TeV*



### Quarkonia in heavy-ions



Energy density (GeV/fm<sup>3</sup>)

The long standing unambiguous signature of deconfined quark matter has somehow become ambiguous :Suppression pattern "anomalously" comparable at SPS and RHIC.

**Rapidity dependence** 

**Different CNM/shadowing effects** 

Sequential melting :  $\psi$ ',  $\chi_c$  only

Statistical hadronisation : a possible scenario motivated by the large

production of charm in Pb+Pb collisions

#### The CERN's LHC







 2 concentric rings with 27 km circumference
 counter-rotating beams of ions from p to Pb
 max. center-of-mass energy: PbPb 5.5 ATeV, pp 14 TeV
 first heavy ion run: November 2010

#### **ATLAS, CMS & LHCb detectors**



### The ALICE experiment at the LHC



### From SPS, RHIC to the LHC

	SPS	RHIC	LHC	
√s <sub>№</sub> (GeV)	17	200	5500	
dN <sub>d</sub> /dy	500	850	1500-4000	
$ au_{ ext{QP}}^{_{0}}$ (fm/c)	1	0.2	0.1	
T/T <sub>c</sub>	1.1	1.9	3-4	
ε (GeV/fm <sup>3</sup> )	3	5	15-60	
$\tau_{ ext{QP}}$ (fm/c)	≤2	2-4	≥10	
$\tau_{f}$ (fm/c)	~10	20-30	30-40	
V <sub>f</sub> (fm³)	few 10 <sup>3</sup>	few 104	Few 10⁵	

1 GeV  $\approx$  mass of proton 1fm (Fermi) =10-15m  $\approx$  radius of proton



Hotter
Denser
Longer
Bigger

### **Physics motivation**

- A big step in  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ 
  - (SPS x 13 = RHIC) x 28 = LHC
  - Energy density well above the expected phase transition (hotter, bigger, longer)
  - $\rightarrow$  Hard probes as new probes





Heavy Quarks, abundantly produced in the first instant 0.03-0.1 fm/c, will probe QGP/medium over its whole lifetime (~ 10 fm/c) Open beauty and charm physics  $J/\psi$ ,  $\psi$ ' and Y,Y',Y'' as medium thermometer Important B-hadron decays to charmonia yields See talk by Serhiy Senyukov 37

#### The small-*x* regime



### The ALICE experiment

- Tracking (B=0.2-0.5 T):
  - Inner Tracking System (ITS) pixels (SPD),drift (SDD),strips (SSD)
  - Time Projection Chamber (TPC)
  - Transition Radiation Detector (TRD)
- Particle Identification (PID):
  - TPC
  - TRD
  - Time Of Flight (TOF)
  - High Momentum PID (HMPID)
- Muons: dimuon arm
- Calorimetry:
  - PHOton Spectrometer (PHOS)
  - Electromagnetic Calorimeter (EMCAL)
    - Zero Degree Cal (ZDC)
- Trigger:
  - Central Trigger Processor
  - SPD
  - scintilator array (V0)
  - cerenkov array (T0)
  - TOF,...



## ALICE Central Trigger Processor

Collis syste	ion √s <sub>№</sub> <sup>em</sup> (TeV)	L <sub>0</sub> (cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	Run time (s/year)	σ <sub>ire</sub> (b)	Rate <sub>ı</sub> (kHz)	
рр	14.0	10 <sup>31</sup>	<b>10</b> <sup>7</sup>	0.07	700	<= MAX
PbP	b 5.5	10 <sup>27</sup>	<b>10</b> <sup>6</sup>	7.7	7.7	Optimal = MAX/100

#### **CTP features:**

- 3 Levels (L0,L1,L2 ~ 1µs, 6µ, 88µs)
- Generally no pipelining
- Partitioning of detectors into independent groups
   – e.g. muon arm
  - and central barrel
- Pile up (past-future) protection
  - tens of interactions
     in TPC drift time



#### **ALICE Detector Acceptance**



### **ALICE detector**

#### ALICE unique features:

- $\bigcirc$  acceptance at low  $p_T$  (~ 0.2GeV/c)
  - $\Rightarrow$  relatively low field (0.5T)
  - $\Rightarrow$  low material budget (total X/X0=7%)
- ☺ excellent PID capabilities
  - $\Rightarrow$  dE/dx (TPC/ITS), TRD,

TOF, HMPID, PHOS, (EMCAL)

Iimited in luminosity, but pile-up is not a big issue

#### **Particle Identification**





#### First p+p collisions – 23 Nov 2010

#### estamp: 2009-11-23 15:47:17; Event # in ESD file: 0





• at the core of the detector, two 100% Mexican projects:

⇔V0L:

⇒ trigger, vital element of the first analysis!
⇒ ACORDE:

Cosmic ray trigger for calibrations and Cosmic Ray Physics

⇒ + UPGRADES: VHMIPD, AD

- at the core of the Physics, leading role in three key fields:
  - ⇒ Jets/ Event Structure
  - ⇒ Cosmic Ray Physics
  - ▷ Diffractive Physics

#### + Computing ....

## **ALICE 2010**

- ITS, TPC, TOF, HMPID, MUON, V0, T0, FMD, PMD, ZDC (100%)
- TRD\* (7/18)
- EMCAL\* (4/12)
- PHOS (3/5)

\*upgrade to the original setup



### The ALICE experiment



#### **Quarkonium Detection in ALICE**

Central Barrel |y|<0.9; ITS+TPC+TRD+TOF; electron ID and  $\mu$ m vertex. 1) J/ $\psi$ ,  $\psi$ ',  $\Upsilon$ ,  $\Upsilon$ ',  $\Upsilon$ '' -> e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup>; 2) B-> J/ $\psi$ +X->e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup>; 3)  $\chi_c$ -> $\gamma$ +e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> in pp;



Forward muon spectrometer 2.5<|y|<4.0; Muon trigger and tracking;  $J/\psi$ ,  $\psi'$ ,  $\Upsilon$ ,  $\Upsilon'$ ,  $\Upsilon'' \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ ;

D-hadron & B-electron measurements in |y|<0.9; B-muon and B-dimuons in 2.5<|y|<4.0;

#### Quarkonia challenges at the LHC

- J/ $\psi, \Upsilon \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$  measurements require  $\mu^\pm$ , e<sup>±</sup>, secondary-vertex detectors ✓ ATLAS/CMS within  $\begin{array}{c} -2.5 < \eta < 2.5, \text{ full } \phi \\ 2 < \eta < 5, \text{ full } \phi \end{array}$ B  $\rightarrow J/\psi$  (20%)contribution
- Focus on dimuons at moderately high-p<sub>T</sub> (ATLAS/CMS), low-p<sub>T</sub> (LHCb)
- Dielectron channels accessible but more difficult: large X<sub>0</sub>/X in front of ECALs (ATLAS/CMS).
- Early measurements (low lumi, dedicated low-thresh. triggers):
   ATLAS/CMS: p-p & Pb-Pb studies LHCb: p-p studies only

1-year pp 14 TeV (nominal Luminosity)



#### J/ψ in the electron decay channel Pb+Pb physics performance |y|<1 and pt>0



### **ALICE Muon Spectrometer**



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- III. Trigger rate < ~1 kHz (DaQ bandwidth for muon)
  - 8 kHz Pb-Pb collisions with L = 10<sup>27</sup> cm<sup>2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>

### J/ψ in the muon decay channel Pb+Pb physics performance



## J/ψ production in Pb+Pb

The suppression pattern is a thermometer of the QCD matter produced : clear advantage to have a measurement of  $J/\psi$  and Y.

#### Quarkonia production in Pb+Pb in the Muon Spectrometer

 $\sqrt{s_{_{NN}}}$  =5.5 TeV [2.76 TeV  $\rightarrow$  40 to 55 % in  $\sigma$ ]

no recombination central Pb-Pb (0 < b < 3 fm), (MB) no nuclear effects,  $p_{\perp} > 1 \text{ GeV/c}$ Running time : 10<sup>6</sup> s with a Pb-Pb [~90%] luminosity of 5×10<sup>26</sup> cm<sup>2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup> [10<sup>25</sup> cm<sup>2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>]  $\rightarrow$  Good statistics for  $\Upsilon(1S)$   $\rightarrow \Upsilon(2S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(3S)$  will requires a few runs J/ $\psi$  statistics allows polarization studies

#### ⇒ In fact for the first PbPb run > 1/100

State	S[10³]	B[10 <sup>3</sup> ]	S/B	S/(S+B) <sup>12</sup>
J/ψ	130 (700)	680	0.20	150
Ψ'	3.7 (20)	300	0.01	6.7
Ƴ(1S)	1.3 (7)	0.8	1.7	29
Υ(2S)	0.35 (1.8)	0.54	0.65	12
Ƴ( <b>3S</b> )	0.20 (1.0)	0.42	0.48	8.1

### First results in p+p at 7 TeV



#### Preliminary results on $J/\psi$



## **Integrated luminosity at ALICE**



- INT1-B: minimum bias interaction trigger
  - at least one charged particle in 8  $\eta$  units
- MUS1-B: single-muon trigger
  - forward muon in coincidence with MB trigger
- SH1-B: high multiplicity trigger

For all these classes, mask (≡ gate) to trigger on the crossing of the colliding bunches.

Estudiante de verano Gibraham Napoles trabajo en un proyecto relacionado con estimar la luminosidad integrada

### J/ψ in the electron decay channel First p+p results at 7 TeV

- 110M p-p events at 7 TeV
  - 1/3 of available statistics
- Track reconstruction
  - TPC + ITS

#### • Electron identification (and pion rejection)

- TPC
- TRD could be included later
- Fit with a Cristal Ball function

• |η|<0.9



#### 110 M events

### $J/\psi$ in the muon decay channel



- detector performance close to nominal
  - efficiency
  - mass resolution 94 MeV/c<sup>2</sup> (target is 70 MeV/c<sup>2</sup>)
- data/analysis flow works well
- recent changes in trigger strategy allows to accumulate more statistic

So far ~ 6000 J/ $\psi$  recorded.

#### **ψ' shows up**



Estudiante de verano Nayeli Rodriguez trabajo en un proyecto relacionado con entender ruido de fondo

#### $J/\psi$ 's transverse momenta



## Comparing results to the MC



Data corrected for acceptance and efficiency

data slightly softer than MC

Generated MC distribution "CDF pp 7TeV"

-  $p_T$  extrapolated from CDF results, y obtained from CEM calculations, no polarisation

### $J/\psi$ 's transverse momenta



## Summary

The ALICE experiment has successfully started the study of Inclusive quarkonia production in p+p interactions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 7$  TeV

- J/ψ's rapidity and transverse momentum distribution were presented
- Next: J/ψ's production cross section
   Top priority : J/ψ analysis to be used as a reference for Pb+Pb

This is only the very beginning... Pb+Pb collisions ....next!