Recent Heavy Flavor Results from PHENIX. A personal review ... Cesar Luiz da Silva

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RHIC Ions – 6 species and 15 energies to date

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¹⁹⁷Au⁷⁹+¹⁹⁷Au⁷⁹

7, 9, 11, 15, 20, 27, **39, 62,** 130, **200.0** GeV/nucleon **d**+¹⁹⁷Au⁷⁹

 $\frac{200 \text{ GeV/nucleon}}{^{63}\text{Cu}^{29} + ^{63}\text{Cu}^{29}}$

22, 62, **200** GeV/nucleon **p**↑+**p**↑

62, 200, 500, 510 GeV/nucleon 63Cu²⁹+¹⁹⁷Au⁷⁹

200 GeV/nucleon 238U92+238U92

193 GeV/nucleon

Can collide any species combination from proton(polarized) to uranium.

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Sources of HF at RHIC



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Heavy Flavor Results in d+Au Collisions













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 $x \sim 10^{-2}$



 $JdA(2.7 < \Delta \phi < 3.2) = 0.433 \pm 0.087 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.135 \text{ (syst)}$

Back-to-back dominated by gluon fusion. Continuum dominated by flavor excitation, gluon splitting.

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Suppression in JdA stronger than in smaller x single muons. HF from gluon fusion has a stronger suppression.

Light/Heavy quark comparison





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Final state modification of **light** and **heavy** quarks are consistent within uncertainties.

Is (RdA)² a valid representation of CNM effects in A+A?

RAA VS. PT VS. Npart VS. System size



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Modification in Cu+Cu is an interplay between d+Au and Au+Au midrapidity results.

 $R_{AA}(p_T)$ indicates a strong contribution from CNM effects. Model including partonic fracgmentation and dissociation E-loss, shadowing and Cronin underestimates low- $p_T R_{AA}$ by at least 20%.

RAA VS. PT VS. Npart VS. Energy



Large HF enhancement when going to lower energies. Largely underestimated by E-loss+shadowing+Cronin based models.





How CNM effects factorize in A+A collisions ?

A big challenge when estimating and interpreting RAA.



Rapidity dependence of CNM and QGP effects is not symmetric.

PHENIX is analyzing HF in Cu+Au (no breakup, formation time easier to understand). First FVTX data.

PERSPECTIVES

- HF analysis using run11 Au+Au and run12 Cu+Au going on. Will be the first R_{AA} and flow results from separated charm and bottom quarks by PHENIX.
- Run14 Au+Au results are very promising
- More data than all previous runs combined
- Vertex detectors (VTX and FVTX) fully operational.
- Run15 p+A (Al,Cu,Au) can be the basis CNM measurement for high energy hadron collisions
- A-dependence can help distinguish the role of saturation, coherent effects(shadowing) and energy loss
- It will be a better reference for Cronin effect
- Future detectors need to emphasize large coverage and precision in order to disentangle CNM and QGP effects



BACKUP SLIDES





• ψ' has a binding energy 12× smaller than J/ ψ

• data suggests ψ' is more sensitive to final state effects

• excellent tool to study charmonium nuclear absorption 9/19/2014 Cesar L. da Silva - LANL - PHENIX HF





- J/ψ and ψ' should have the same suppression
- data indicates something different

- particle activity can change the relative suppression of ψ'
- CMS sees the same behavior for Υ states
- comovers ?

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Mid- and large rapidity J/Psi RAA



- $\bullet~{\rm EPS09}$ cannot describe the difference
- larger R_{AA} may indicates another source of J/ψ (regeneration ?)

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Data don't rule out most of coalescence/regeneration models. Trend for increasing v_2 at high p_7 ?



- break of the rapidity symmetry in
 - parton distribution modifications
 - nucleus crossing time of the $c \bar{c}$ precursor
 - initial state energy loss
 - breakup in the hadronic phase
- comparisons with p(d)+A results will test CNM+QGP factorization





Is R_{AA} also Asymmetric ?







- higher energy density
- more room for recombination
- different geometry

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Near Future Results





- charm and bottom nuclear modification factors at mid and forward rapidity
- ψ' measurement at forward rapididy
- heavy flavor v_2
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Large acceptance Similar statistics to LHC

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Npart

 J/ψ more suppressed than HF at mid- and backward. Hint for final state effect.

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