

# Recent results on heavy quark dynamics in small systems

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#### Outline

- Brief introduction
- Effects on conventional quarkonia in small systems
  - Recent PHENIX results on J/ $\psi$  ,  $\psi(2S)$
- Effects on exotic quarkonium in small systems
  - Detailed look at X(3872) and  $T_{cc}^+$  in medium
- Outlook: Fixed-target collisions at the LHCb



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Allowed bound states understood through potential models



$$V_0^{(c\bar{c})}(r) = -\frac{4}{3}\frac{\alpha_s}{r} + br + \frac{32\pi\alpha_s}{9m_c^2}\tilde{\delta}_{\sigma}(r)\vec{S}_c\cdot\vec{S}_{\bar{c}}$$

PRD 72, 054026 (2005)



Rev. Mod. Phys. 90, 015003 (2018)

 ${}^{1}P_{1} {}^{3}P_{0,1,2} {}^{1}D_{2} {}^{3}D_{1,2,3} {}^{1}F_{3} {}^{3}F_{2,3,4} {}^{1}G_{4} {}^{3}G_{3,4,5}$ 

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Use interactions in a QCD medium to probe poorly understood heavy quark states.



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-Transport model consistent, shadowing dominant

#### $\psi(2S)$ in small systems at RHIX and LHC





**Comover breakup:** Phys. Lett. B, 393(3):431, (1997) Phys. Rev. Lett., 78:1006–1009 (1997) Phys. Lett. B, 749:98, (2015) Phys. Rev. C, 97:014909 (2018) JHEP, 2018(10):94 (2018)

Regardless of mechanism: Effect is sensitive to *binding energy* and *density of medium* 



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Production relative to protons increases with system density:



Well described by coalescence models. Favors production at high multiplicity.



#### **Exotic heavy quark states**



Wide range of explanations: tetra- or pentaquarks, hadronic molecules, glueballs, mixtures... Given wide range of states, multiple structures likely





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- Mass is consistent with sum of  $D^0$  and  $\overline{D}^{*0}$  masses:

 $(M_{D^0} + M_{\bar{D}^{*0}}) - M_{\chi_{c1}(3872)} = 0.07 \pm 0.12 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ 

Large prompt production fraction (~80%) – inconsistent with D meson coalescence in pp\*

 $D^{0}\overline{D}^{*}$  Molecule



VERY small binding energy VERY large radius, ~10 fm Compact tetraquark

exchange between diquarks Small radius, ~1 fm



PRL 126 092001 (2021)





arXiv:2109.07360



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 $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ 

 $2.0 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ 

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LHCb

 $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$ 

 $5.4 \, \text{fb}^{-1}$ 

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#### **Prompt and non-prompt vs multiplicity**



$$f_{prompt} = \frac{N_{prompt}}{N_{prompt} + N_{b-decay}}$$

- Significant modification of both X(3872) and  $\psi(2S)$  production as event activity increases:
- The *b* decay component, which is produced in vacuum can serve as an unmodified reference sample.



#### **Prompt and non-prompt vs multiplicity**





#### X(3872)/ψ(2S) vs multiplicity











#### Does *b* hadron chemistry vary with multiplicity? New LHCb results expected soon.





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Calculations from EPJ C 81, 669 (2021)

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Compact tetraquark of size 1.3 fm gradually dissociated as multiplicity increases – consistent with data



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Different method of calculating breakup cross section: Braaten, He Ingles, Jiang Phys. Rev. D 103, 071901 (2021)



Breakup cross section approximated as sum of cross section for molecule constituents:

 $\sigma^{\text{incl}}[\pi X] \approx \frac{1}{2} (\sigma[\pi D^0] + \sigma[\pi \bar{D}^0] + \sigma[\pi D^{*0}] + \sigma[\pi \bar{D}^{*0}])$ 



Data is consistent with this molecular interpretation.



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If breakup is due to scattering of individual constituents, would all  $c\bar{c}$  have equal suppression? Not observed in charmonium or bottomonium systems.



#### **Newest LHCb exotic:** $T_{cc}^+$



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Yield favors higher multiplicity collisions, reminiscent of deuteron, and multiplicity dist is similar to  $D^0D^0$ . Evidence for hadronic molecule structure?



#### **New Particles at the LHC**



https://www.nikhef.nl/~pkoppenb/particles.html



#### **Fixed target configuration - SMOG**





Measurements so far: Charm production in p+He and p+Ar: PRL 122 132002 (2019) Antiproton production in p+He: PRL 121 222001 (2018)



#### Near future: SMOG II at LHCb



https://cds.cern.ch/record/2673690/files/LHCB-TDR-020.pdf

Example	SMOG2 pAr at 115 C	SeV for one yea
Int. Lum	80 pb <sup>-1</sup>	
Sys.erro	or of $J/\Psi$ xsection	~3%
$J/\Psi$	yield yield	28 M 280 M
$\Lambda_c$	yield	2.8 M
$\Psi'$ $\Upsilon(1S)$	yield vield	280 k 24 k
$DY \mu^+\mu$	- yield	24 k

- Upgraded SMOG 2 system at LHCb allows greatly increased rates of beam+gas collisions at LHCb
- Variable target gases allows hadronic environment to be adjusted (H, He, ..., Xe)
- Access to exotic states near RHIC energies
- Can potentially run concurrent with proton+proton collisions large data sets



#### **SMOG II installed at LHCb**





#### Summary

- Over the years at fixed target experiments and colliders, we have developed tools to use quarks to probe the nuclear medium.
- We can in turn use what we have learned about the nuclear medium to probe newly discovered, poorly understood hadrons.
- With the large number of exotic states and future data sets and upgrades, many more discoveries await us.



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#### ALICE and PHENIX RpA





### **Example:** $P_c^{\pm}$ pentaquarks

Select daughters from the decay

 $\Lambda_b^0 \to J/\psi p K^-$ 

## Masses are close to meson+baryon thresholds – candidate hadronic molecule











### **Example: Charged Tetraquark:** $Z_c^{\pm}$

1000

500

16

Candidates / ( $0.2 \text{ GeV}^2$ )

Select daughters from the decay

 $B^0 \rightarrow \psi(2S)K^{\dagger}\pi^{-}$ 

Charged and contains  $c\overline{c}$  pair: minimal quark content  $c\overline{c}q\overline{q}$ 

Mass not close to hadron+hadron threshold – candidate compact tetraquark





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 $m_{\psi,\pi^{-}}^{2}$  [GeV<sup>2</sup>]

20

47

22



#### Exotic X(3872) in dense medium (PbPb)



Prompt X(3872)/ $\psi$ (2S) = 1.10 ± 0.51 ± 0.53 in PbPb at 5 TeV Prompt X(3872)/ $\psi$ (2S) ≈ 0.1 in pp at 8 TeV



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CMS-PAS-HIN-19-005





#### **Future facility: Electron-Ion Collider**



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#### **Filtering States with the Nucleus**

• Quarkonia is subject to breakup as it crosses the nucleus – suppression due to disruption of the  $Q\bar{Q}$  pair



- Larger (weakly bound) states sample a larger volume of the nucleus while passing through larger absorption cross section Arleo, Gossiaux, Gousset, Aichelin PRC 61 (2000) 054906
- Explains trends observed in fixed target data at FNAL, SPS
- Test idea via MC simulation of propagation through nucleus for three cases:
  - $\psi(2S)$  with radius 0.87 fm, compact X(3872) with radius 1 fm, molecular X(3872) with radius 7 fm



#### Relative modification of X(3872)/ $\psi(2S)$ at EIC



$$\frac{R_{eA}^{X(3872)}}{R_{eA}^{\psi(2S)}} = \frac{\sigma_{eA}^X}{\sigma_{eA}^{\psi}} / \frac{\sigma_{ep}^X}{\sigma_{ep}^{\psi}}$$

- Little difference in suppression between model of compact X(3872) and  $\psi(2S)$ , as expected.
- Large difference between model of molecular X(3872) and  $\psi(2S)$ .

X(3872) is only an example, model equally applicable for other exotics accessible at EIC





#### **Propagation through Nuclei**

- In Monte Carlo simulation, populate a Glauber nucleus, using parameters from PHOBOS model: arXiv:1408.2549
- Randomly select starting point for  $Q\bar{Q}$  pair
- Propagate  $Q\bar{Q}$  along z axis
- Following model of Arleo *et al.* in Phys Rev C, 61 054906 (2000), expand  $Q\bar{Q}$  radius as a function of time:

 $r_{c\bar{c}}(\tau) = \begin{cases} r_0 + v_{c\bar{c}} & \tau & \text{if } r_{c\bar{c}}(\tau) \leq r_i \\ r_i & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ 

- Calculate radius-dependent cross section:  $\sigma_{(c\bar{c})_1N} = \sigma_{\psi N}(s) \cdot (r_{c\bar{c}}/r_{\psi})^2$
- If the state comes within a distance of  $\sqrt{\sigma_{c\bar{c}}/\pi}$  to a nucleon, consider it disrupted.
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Cross section Arleo, Gossiaux, Gousset, Aichelin PRC 61 (2000) 054906

- Explains trends observed in fixed target data at FNAL, SPS
- As expected, fails at RHIC (hadronization occurs outside nucleus) PHENIX PRL 111 202301 (2013)

state	$\eta_c$	$J/\psi$	Xc0	$\chi_{c1}$	$\chi_{c2}$	$\psi'$
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

Table 1: Charmonium states and binding energies

state	Υ	<u>χ</u> 60	X 61	X62	Υ'	X'50	Хы	$\chi'_{b2}$	Υ"
mass [GeV]	9.46	9.86	9.89	9.91	10.02	10.23	10.26	10.27	10.36
$\Delta E$ [GeV]	1.10	0.70	0.67	0.64	0.53	0.34	0.30	0.29	0.20

Table 2: Bottomonium states and binding energies



#### **Quarkonia in the QCD medium**



Experimentally, we use different collision systems/kinematic regions to prepare environments where different non-perturbative effects dominate.



#### Separate prompt/non-prompt production

Simultaneous fit to mass and proper time in each multiplicity bin



