



Measurement of the Y production in heavy-ion collisions at the top RHIC energy with the STAR detector

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 - Comparison with LHC result and theoretical calculations
- \succ Y nuclear modification factors in isobar collisions

➢ Summary

Physics motivation



- Heavy quarks produced via initial hard scatterings
 Imprint the entire evolution history of QGP.
- Quarkonium suppression due to the color-screening effect was proposed as a direct evidence of the QGP formation.
- Compared to charmonia, bottomonia are cleaner probes.
 - Large production cross section
 - Hot medium effects
 - Cold nuclear matter effects
 - bwb
- Small production cross section
- Cold nuclear matter effects



 $r_{q\bar{q}} \sim 1/E_{binding} > r_D \sim 1/T$



STAR detector





> TPC

- $|\eta| < 1$
- Tracking, momentum and energy loss

➢ BEMC

- $|\eta| < 1$
- Trigger and identify high- $p_{\rm T}$ electron

> MTD

- $|\eta| < 0.5$
- Trigger and identify muon

Signal extraction in Au+Au collisions





- Unbinned maximum-likelihood simultaneous fit to unlike-sign and like-sign mass distributions
- Template of each Y state embedding sample
- Residual background (dotted line) Correlated bbar + Drell-Yan background (dotted line) Pythia 6
- Combinatorial Background (dashed line) fitting by exponential function

 R_{AA} of Au+Au collisions





- Significant suppression for different Υ states is observed
- Suppression gradually increase towards central collisions
- The results are consistent with sequential suppression pattern

Comparison with LHC results



 Y(1S) exhibits a similar magnitude of suppression at the LHC and RHIC collision energies

> Hint of less suppression of $\Upsilon(2S)$

No significant p_T dependence is observed



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Comparison with models



For both $\Upsilon(1S)$ and $\Upsilon(2S)$, model calculations are consistent with data within the uncertainties, except the Heidelberg Model that overshoots the data. Coupled Boltzmann equations contains CNM effects as well.

- **OQS+pNRQCD**: regeneration+feed-down
- Transport model: dissociation+regeneration
 + feed-down + CNM
- Coupled Boltzmann equations: dissociation+regeneration+elastic and inelastic scatterings.
- Heidelberg model: gluon-induced dissociation+feed-down.





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Y measurement in isobar collision

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Compare to Au+Au, isobar $\binom{96}{40}Zr + \frac{96}{40}Zr & \frac{96}{44}Ru + \frac{96}{44}Ru$) systems are relatively small



R_{AA} of isobar collisions as a function of centrality star



R_{AA} of isobar collisions as a function of p_T





No significant $p_{\rm T}$ dependence

Summary



- Sequential suppression pattern is measured separately in Au+Au and isobar collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ = 200 GeV
 - $\Upsilon(1S)$ has a similar magnitude of suppression as observed in LHC Pb+Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{\rm NN}} = 5.02$ TeV
 - No significant species dependence at the same <N_part>, suppression driven by system size (<N_part>)
- > No significant $p_{\rm T}$ dependence is observed
- Different model calculations consistent(Coupled Boltzmann eq is also consistent) with data within the uncertainties



Back Up

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