

INTRODUCTION

• The Big Bang:

"if we look back ...when temperature was above 10¹² ⁰K (100 MeV), we encounter theoretical problems of a difficulty beyond the range of modern statistical mechanics."

"However, the temptation to try is irresistible."

S. Weinberg, Gravitation and Cosmology, 1972



2SC = High baryon densityColor superconductor $<ud(I=0,C=\underline{3})> \neq 0$



Where

- Alternating Gradient Synchrotron (AGS) at Brookhaven BNL
 - variety of beams, since 80's

 $\left| \frac{S_{NN}}{S_{NN}} \right|_{Au+Au}^{AGS} \simeq 2 - 5 \, GeV$

• CERN SPS fixed target experiments - variety of beams, Pb-beams since 1994

 $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \Big|_{Pb+Pb}^{SPS} < 17 \, GeV$

 <u>Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider</u> (RHIC) at Brookhaven BNL - start in 2000, so far p+p, Au+Au and d+Au

$$\sqrt{s_{NN}} \Big|_{Au+Au}^{RHIC} \le 200 \ GeV$$

- <u>Large Hadron Collider</u> (LHC) at CERN - start in 2007 with p+p, in 2008 with Pb+Pb
 - total cross section
 - n^2
 - maximal luminosity

$$\sigma_{total}^{Pb+Pb} = 8 \ barn = 10^{-24} \ cm$$
$$L_{max}^{Pb+Pb} \sim 10^{27} \ cm^{-2} \ s^{-1}$$

 $\sqrt{s_{NN}} |_{Pb+Pb}^{LHC} = 5.5 TeV$

8000 collisions per second !

What ? (@ LHC)

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When ?

How much data ?

after
$$15 \min \sim 10^3 s$$

 $L_{integrated} = 1 \, \mu \, b^{-1}$

after 1 month $\sim 10^6 s$ (1 LHC Pb+Pb year)

$$L^{\text{realistic}}_{\text{integrated}} = 10 - 100 \ \mu \ b^{-1}$$

$$L_{integrated}^{optimal} = 1 \ nb^{-1}$$

$$L_{max}^{Pb+Pb} \sim 10^{27} \, cm^{-2} \, s^{-1}$$

Data on what ?

- event multiplicity
- low-pt hadronic spectra
- particle ratios
- abundant high-pt processes such as jets
- rare hadronic and leptonic processes

after 2-3 LHC years

p+Pb collisions

 $T_0 = 2007/8$, most likely

Relativistic Ions









@ RHIC

Four independent calibrations of Initial QGP density

 $\epsilon(au_0) \approx$ 100 ϵ_0 = 15 GeV/ fm³

1. Bjorken Backward extrapolation

 $E_{\tau}/N_{z} = 0.5 \, GeV, \quad dN_{z}/dy = 1000,$ $\tau_0 = 1/p_0 = 0.2 \text{ fm/c}, \quad V = (0.2 \text{ fm})\pi R^2 = 30 \text{ fm}^3$ $e_{\rm Bj} = 500 \,{
m Gev} \,/ \, 30 \,{
m fm}^3 = 100 \,e_{\rm o}$

2. Hydrodynamic initial condition needed for $v_2(p_T)$

KHH $\epsilon_{Hydro}>$ 2 $\epsilon_{Bj}=$ 500 Gev / 30 fm $^{3}=$ 100 ϵ_{0} TS

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3. Jet Tomography: $dN_q/dy = 1000$

$$\epsilon_{\rm Jets} \approx \epsilon_{\rm Bj} \approx 100 \epsilon_0$$
 WW

EKRT

From Hadron to Hagedorn Gas

Resonance gas

$$\epsilon(T) = \frac{N}{2\pi^2} \int_m^\infty dE \frac{pE^2}{e^{E/kT} - 1} \qquad N_{eff} = \frac{\epsilon(T)}{\epsilon_o(T)} \quad \epsilon_0 = T^4 \pi^2/30$$

Around T~ 150 MeV: not only pions!! In spite of higher mass, higher resonances contribute to the energy density at temperatures around 150 MeV because of increasing multiplicities



Hagedorn's
thermodynamicsJ. Letessier and J. Rafelski, "Hadrons and Quark Gluon Plasma",
Cambridge Monogr. Part. Phys. Nucl. Phys. Cosmol. 18 (2002).The Exponential Hadron Mass Spectrum

Black line: fit to

$$\rho(m) = c \left(m_a^2 + m^2\right)^{-3/2} \exp\left[\frac{m}{T_H}\right]$$
$$m_a = 0.66 \ GeV, \quad T_H = 158 \ MeV$$

- Green line: 1411 states of 1967
- Red line: 4627 states of 1996



• Experimental lines include Gaussian smoothing, $\sigma_m = \Gamma_m / 2 \sim 200 MeV$

$$\rho(m) = \sum_{i} \delta(m - m_{i}) \longrightarrow \sum_{\pi = m_{\pi}, m_{\pi}, \dots} \frac{g_{\pi}}{\sqrt{2 \pi \sigma_{\pi}}} \exp\left[\frac{-(m - \pi)^{2}}{2 \sigma_{\pi}^{2}}\right]$$
NOTE: $\rho_{tot} = \rho(m) + 3\delta(m - m_{\pi})$

Interpretation of the Hagedorn temperature

N. Cabibbo and G. Parisi, Phys. Lett. 59B, 67 (1975) (and Erice '75).

Critical behaviour is determined by the high masss part of the spectrum, m>>T. Assuming $\rho(m) \propto (m)^{-3} \exp[m(\beta-\beta_c)]$

$$\frac{\ln Z_{H}}{V} = A(\beta - \beta_{c})^{1/2} + reg.$$

 β_{c} =1/T_H reg.= terms regular at β_{c}

 $\varepsilon \propto (\beta - \beta_c)^{-1/2}$ P~ reg. $\partial P/\partial \varepsilon \propto (\beta - \beta_c)$

Rather than a limiting temperature...a second order phase transition!...to what??



Finite Temperature Lattice QCD





INITIAL QUANTA: COLOR GLASS CONDENSATE





(PHOBOS,130 GeV, charged multiplicity, Au-Au 6% central): $c = 1.23 \pm 0.20$





Centrality dependence / LHC



J/ Ψ absorption at SPS

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L.M., F. Piccinini, A. Polosa, V. Riquer Nucl. Phys A and hep-ph/0408150

Data from NA50: M.C. Abreu et al., Phys. Lett. B450, 456 (1999); M.C. Abreu et al., Phys. Lett. B477, 28 (2000). Latest analysis: http://na50.web.cern.ch/NA50/

We try to fit the data for I <5 fm with S-U (star) and Pb-Pb (box) a single temperature; 30 no geometrical effect We find: 165 MeV< T<185 MeV Quite consistent with hadronic temperatures; nucl. 20 Do not fit data for I >5fm Is it conclusive?? T = 165 MeV= 175 Me T = 185 MeV Not vet: If we go to higher centrality, the 10 energy density increases (nucleon # 2 8 10 12 0 6 4 per unit area increases) l(fm) T increases \rightarrow absorption increases





JET TOMOGRAPHY @ RHIC

Hadronization versus Thermalization of Jets









HADRON MULTIPLICITIES AT FREEZE-OUT



Strangeness suppression



γs ≈ 1 at RHIC using midrapidity ratios

W. Florkowski et al., Acta Phys. Pol. 33, 761

About γ_{S} at SPS

- There are few strange quarks in initial state,
- normal hadron reactions do not "have time to equilibrate strangeness, at SPS
- hence the need of a "fudge factor" γ_{S} .
- in deconfined phase, strange quarks equilibrate because of small current mass, and strange hadrons form from recombination: hence $\gamma_{S} = 1$
- strangeness enhancement at SPS: is there a correlation of γ_{S} with centrality, i.e. with J/ Ψ absorption?





FIG. 3. Experimental ratios of $\langle K^+ \rangle$, $\langle K^- \rangle$, $\langle \phi \rangle$, and $\langle \Lambda \rangle$ to $\langle \pi^{\pm} \rangle$ plotted as a function of system-size ($\nabla p + p$; $\odot C + C$ and Si + Si; $\triangle S + S$; $\blacksquare Pb + Pb$). Statistical errors are shown as error bars, systematic errors if available as rectangular boxes. The curves are shown to guide the eye and represent a functional form $a - b \cdot \exp(-\langle N_{\text{part}} \rangle/40)$. At $\langle N_{\text{part}} \rangle = 60$ they rise to about 80% of the difference of the ratios between $N_{\text{part}} = 2$

System-Size Dependence of Strangeness Production in Nucleus-Nucleus Collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 17.3 \text{ GeV}$

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Hadrons at RHIC: $\gamma_{S} = 1$



CONCLUSIONS

@ SPS

- All indications are that deconfinement is seen @SPS
- strangeness enhancement and J/ Ψ suppression should be correlated (γ_S . vs centrality?)
- SPS may offer the unique possibility to bring us precisely at the onset of deconfinement....we may have to come back!

@ RHIC

• new phenomena, new probes:

- jet tomography
- collective motion
- b-quarkonia could be a useful probe
- initial quanta: Color Glass Condensate?
- a very dense, fluid phase is seen: is it QGP?
- what is it a strongly interacting QGP?

Useful probes @ LHC (considerations of a new comer)

• initial state quanta:

- hard jets
- hard, heavy quarks (what about top?)
- Z, W
- bulk properties of QGP:
 - jet tomography
 - collective motion, hydrodynamical flow..
 - quarkonia not so useful: too many b's around

big surprises are possible!



Extrapolating to higher centrality



- Marginal fit (but not too bad)
- However, T(I ~ 12 fm) =185-205 MeV;
- Are these T realistic for a hadron gas ?



Assume: Only pseudoscalar and vector mesons are relevant to dissociate the J/ψ . Extrapolate to increasing centrality with the energy-temperature relation of the Hagedorn gas,

T_{Hagedorn}=177 MeV (consistent with spectrum, freeze-out, lattice) Initial temperature T = 175 MeV

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The sharp rise of degrees of freedom near the Hagedorn temperature makes so that T does not rise at all (b), the dissociation curve cannot become harder, prediction falls short from explaining the drop observed by NA50.

Some comment

The curve shown represents the limiting absorption from a hadron gas, anything harder is due to the dissociation of the J/ψ in the quark-gluon plasma phase.

Some word of caution:

Dissociation by higher resonances has been neglected.

The decreasing couplings of the higher resonances may eventually resum up to a significant effect, which would change the picture.

However, in all cases where this happens, like e.g. in deep inelastic leptonhadron scattering, the final result reproduces the result of free quarks and gluons.

In our case, this would mean going over the Hagedorn temperature into the quark and gluon gas, which is precisely what the fig. seems to tell us.

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