

*Effects on dynamics and thermo-dynamics in heavy ion reactions on the symmetry energy*

**Kinematic correlations and fragment emission Time Scale links with the “isospin” dynamics.**

The TimeScale experiments in **direct**  $^{64,58}\text{Ni} + ^{124,112}\text{Sn}$  and **reverse**  $^{124,112}\text{Sn} + ^{64,58}\text{Ni}$  kinematics at 35 A.MeV

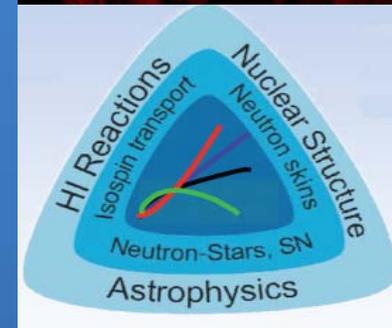
**Physical cases:**

Probing the symmetry energy term of EOS (comparisons with a Stochastic Mean Field (**SMF**) calculation) from “neck” fragmentation.

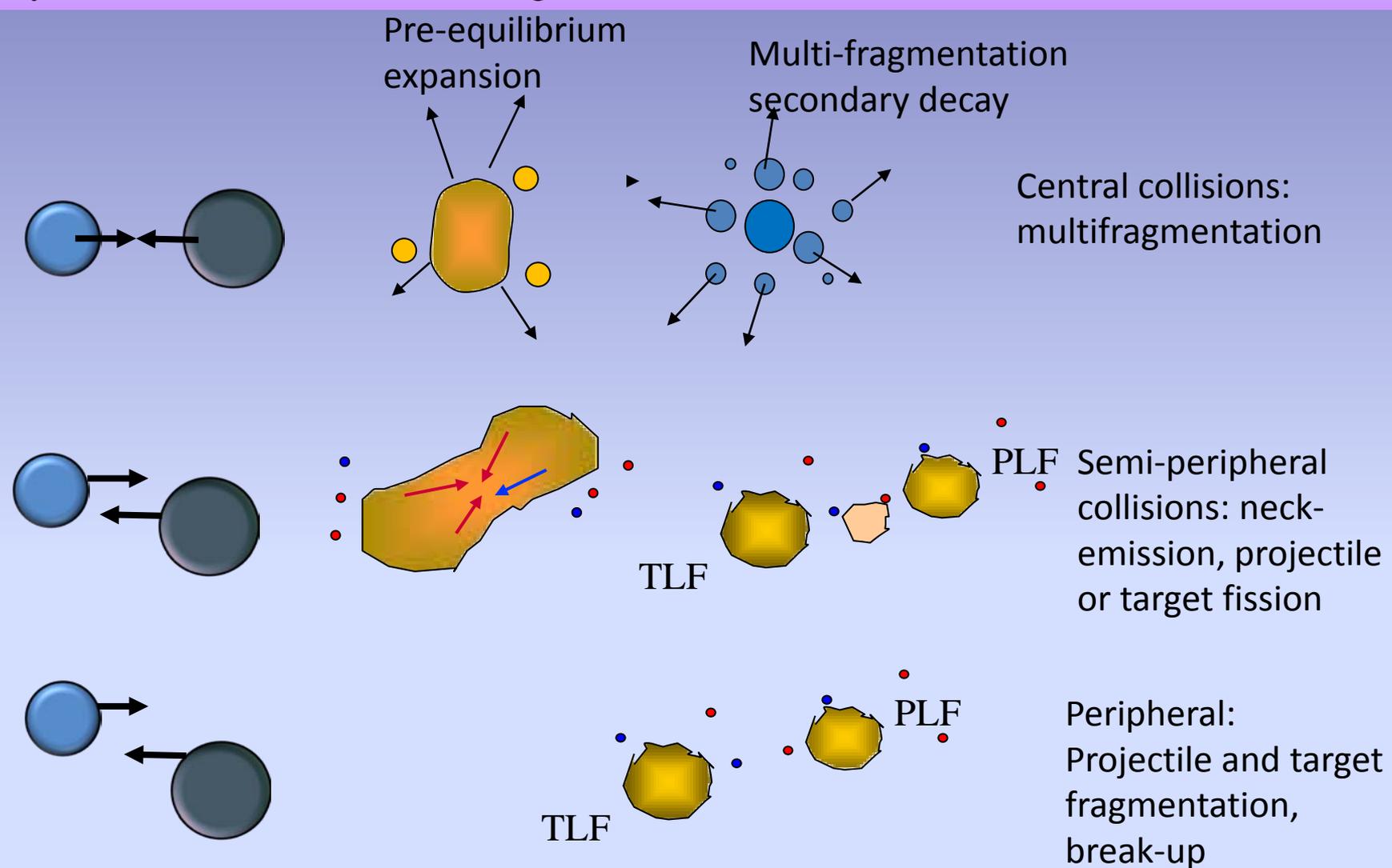
Exploring a low density asymmetric nuclear matter.  
*An experimental survey.*

Particle-particle interferometry and symmetry term of EOS.

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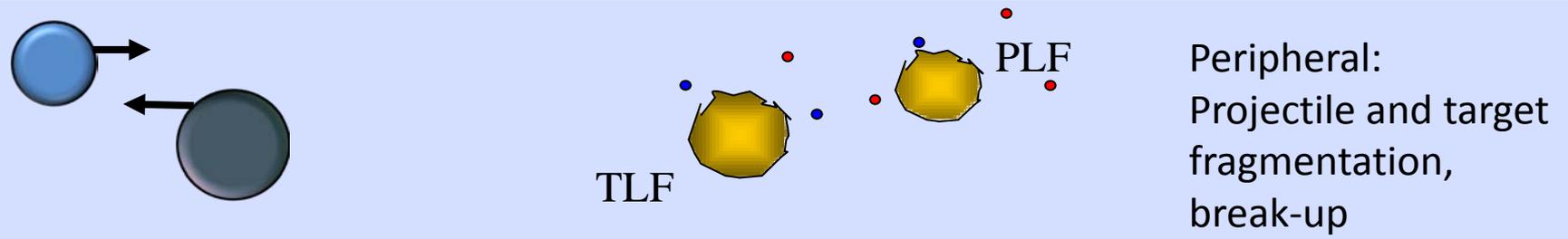
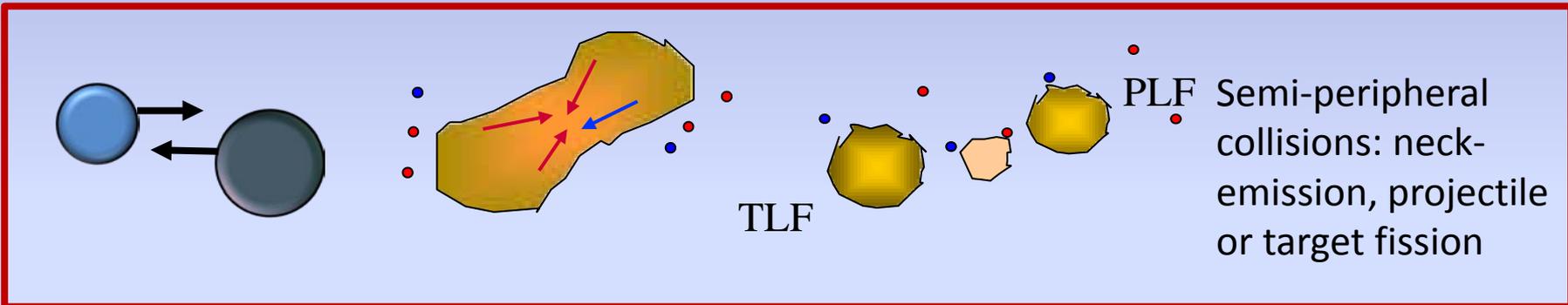
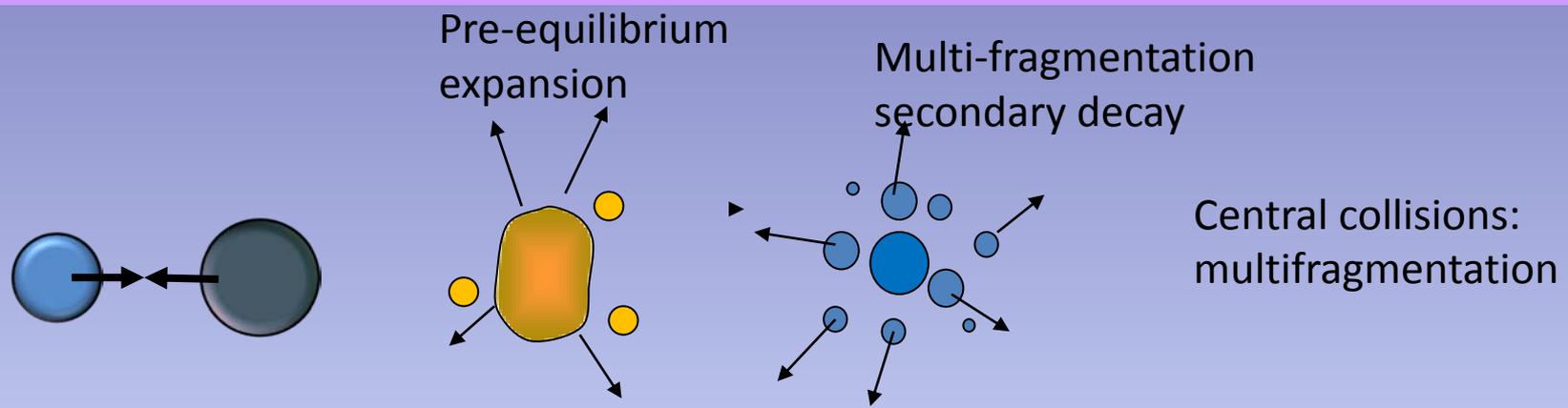


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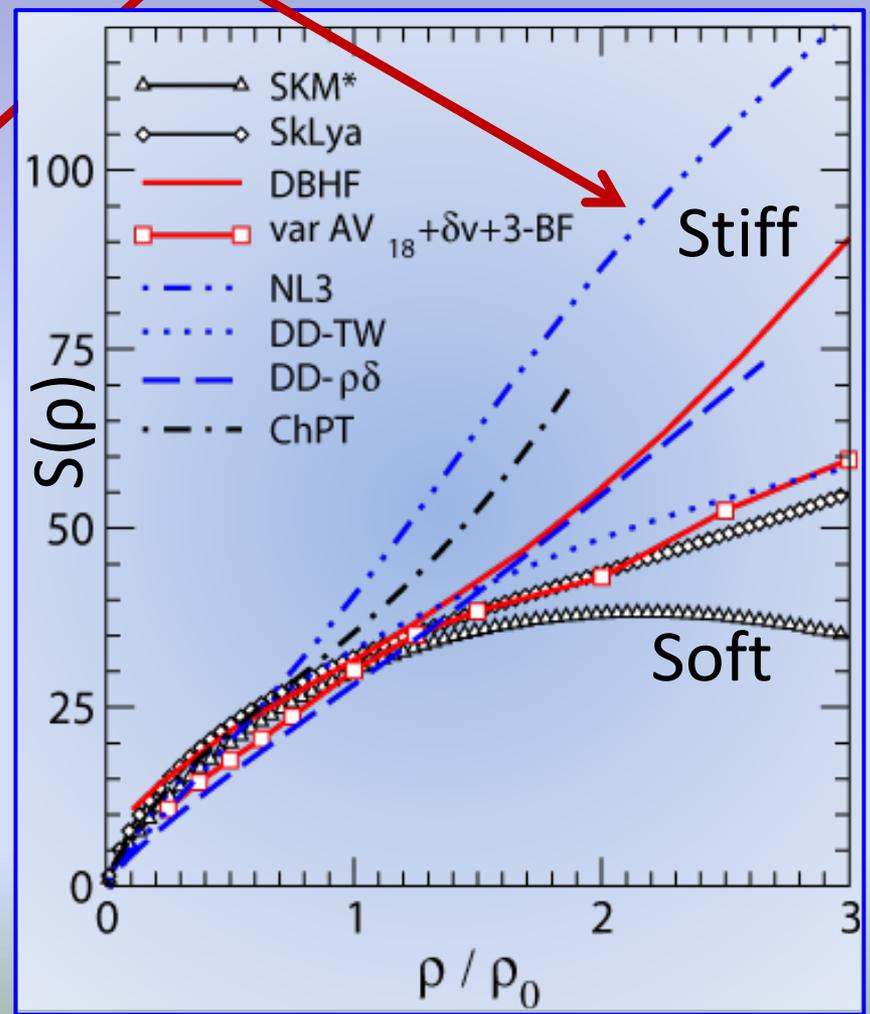
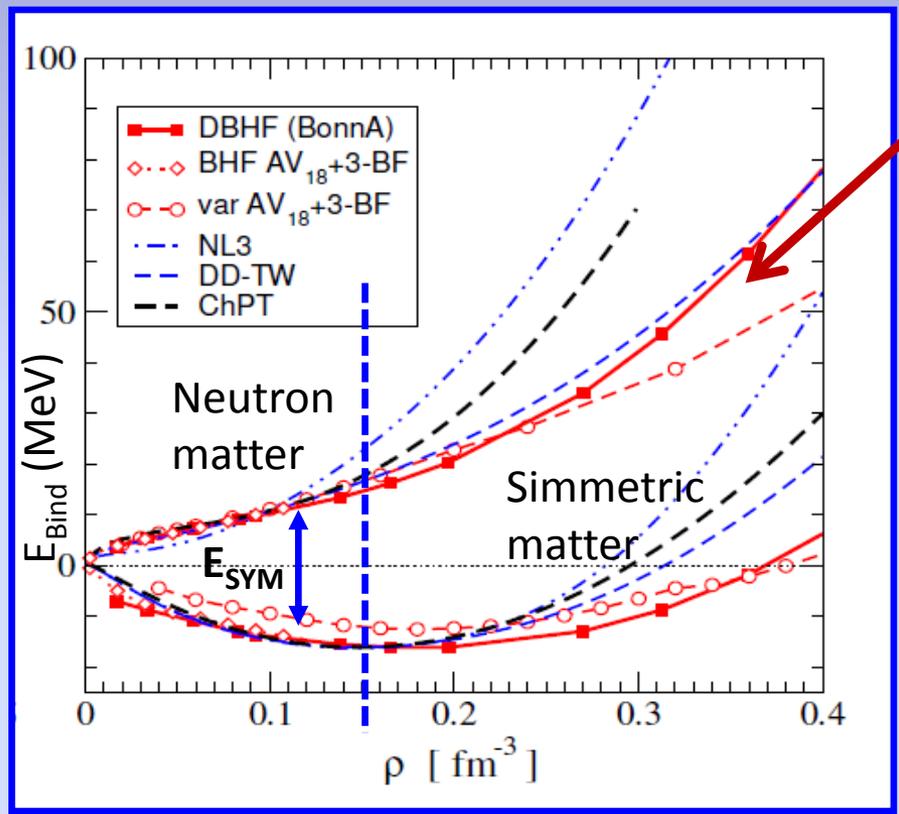
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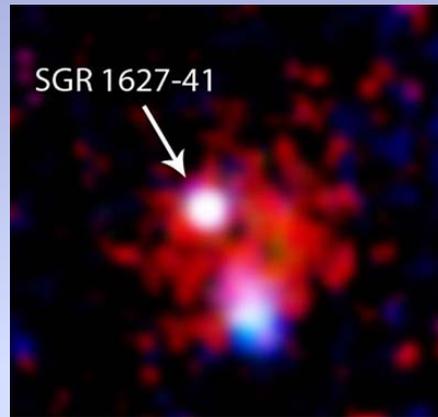
Large deviations  
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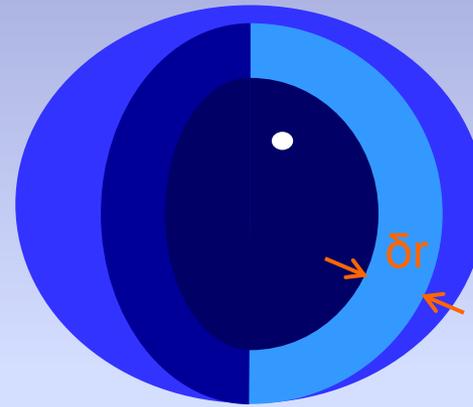
Fuchs and Wolter, EPJA 30, 5 (2006)

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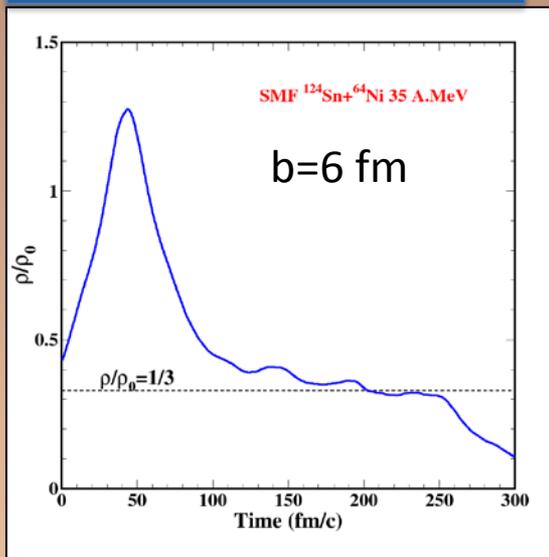


**Neutron skin in  $^{208}\text{Pb}$**   
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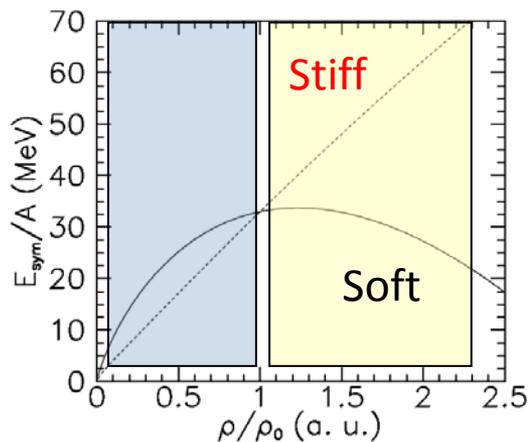
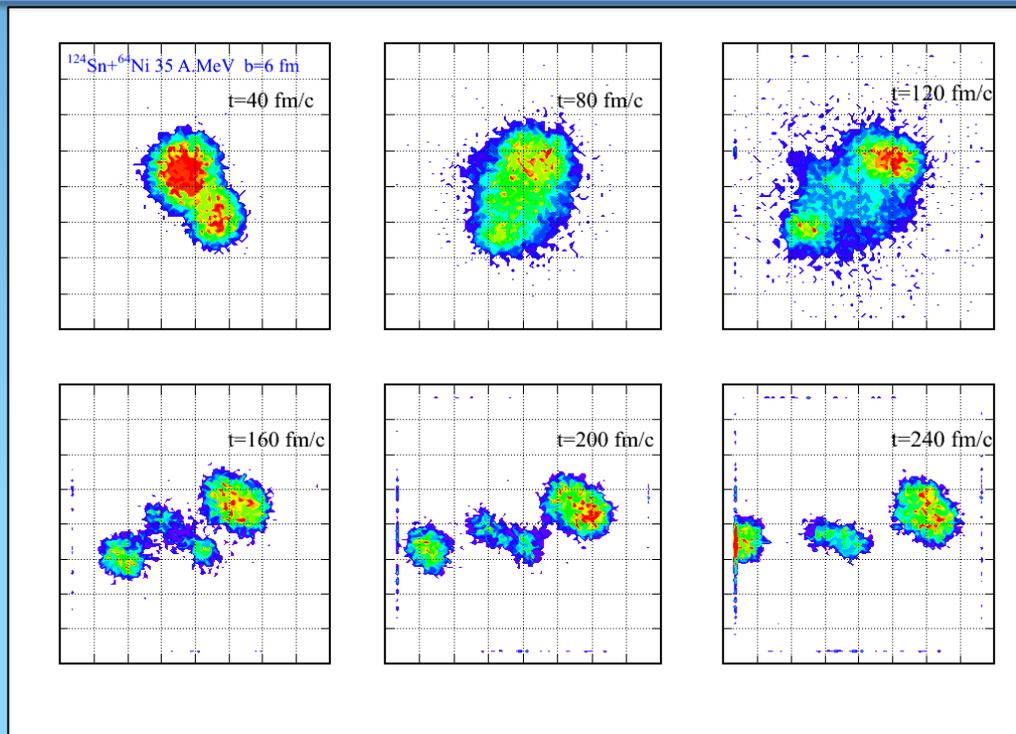
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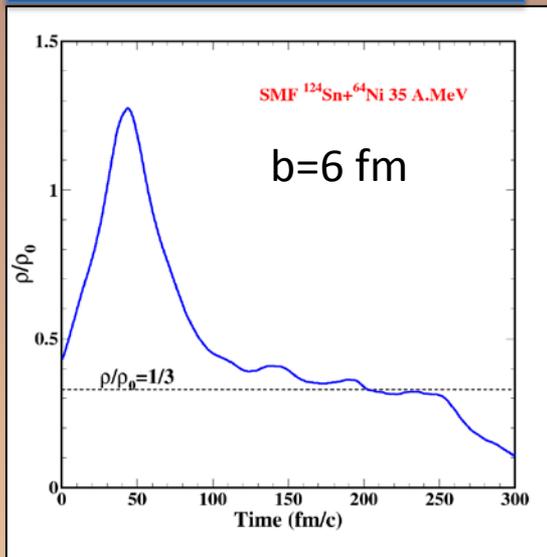
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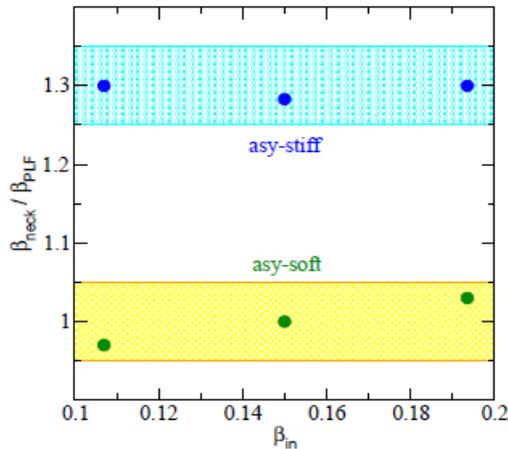
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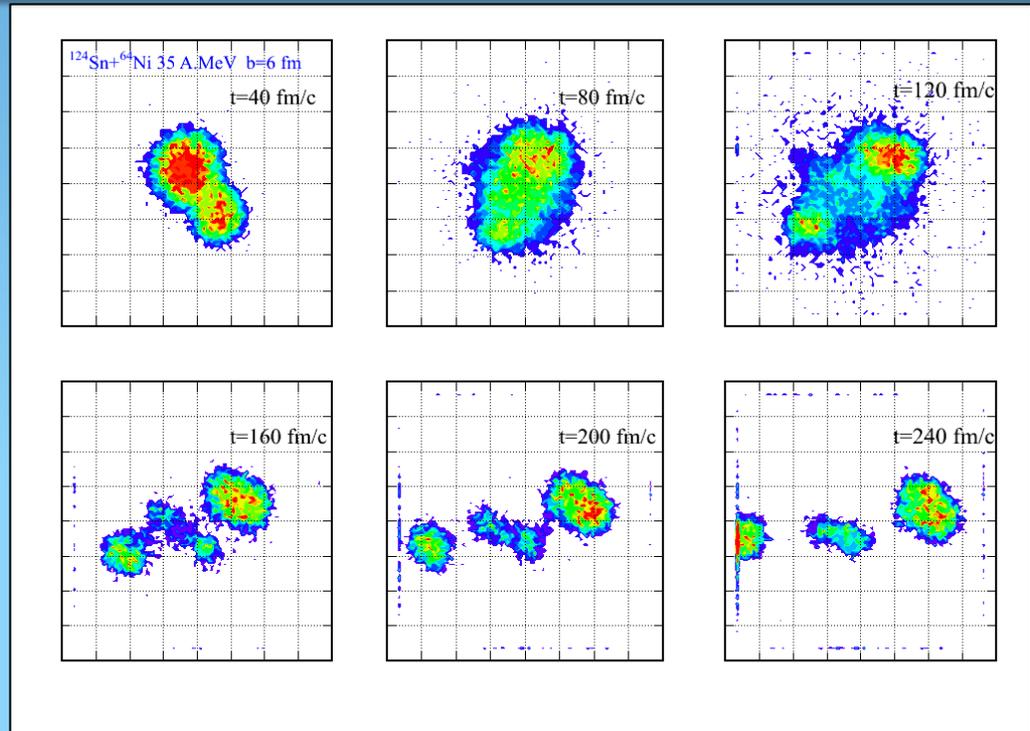
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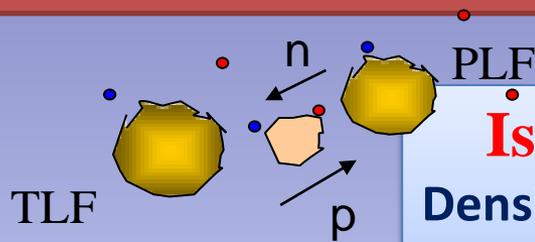
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# Isospin transport through the “neck”

V. Baran et al., PRC 72 064620 (2005)

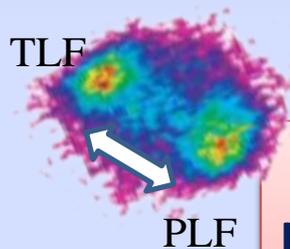


## Isospin drift:

### Density gradient

Depending on slope of the symmetry energy  
Migration of neutrons in low density region

$$j_n - j_p \propto E_{sym}(\rho) \nabla I + \frac{\partial E_{sym}(\rho)}{\partial \rho} I \nabla \rho$$

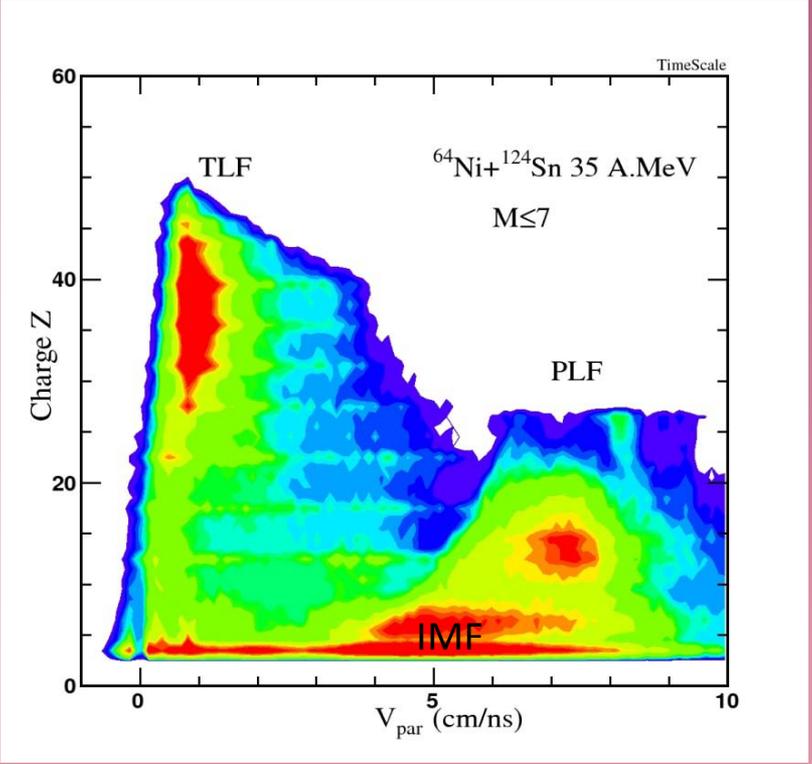


## Isospin diffusion:

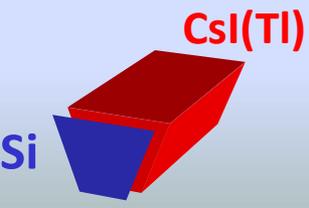
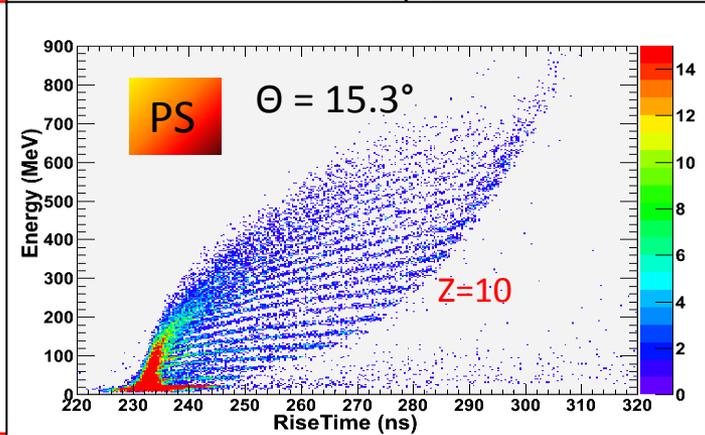
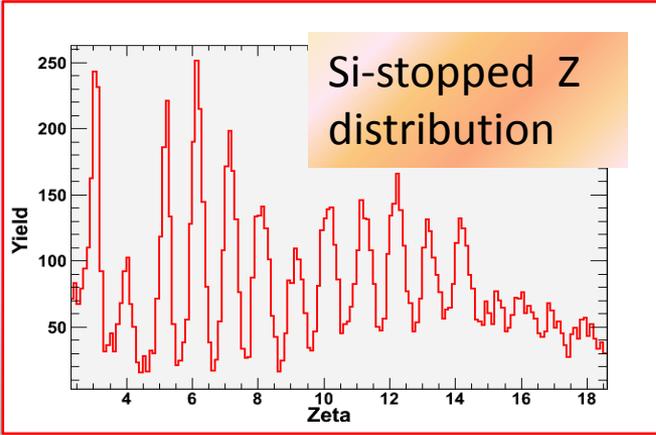
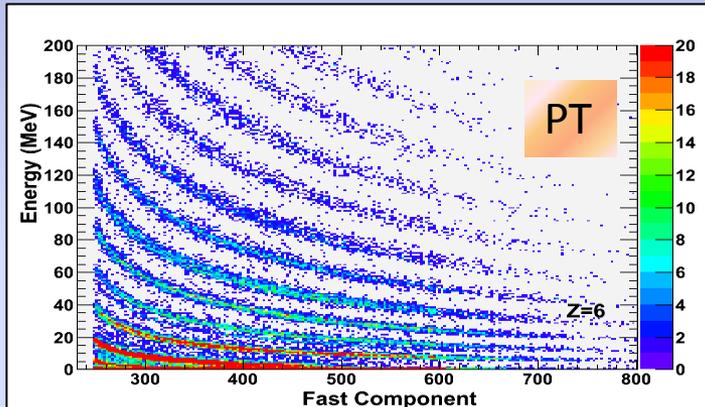
**Isospin gradient** (N/Z asymmetry in the initial system)  
Depending on absolute value of the symmetry energy  
Isospin equilibration between projectile and target

See M.B. Tsang talk on Friday

# TimeScale experiment: 35 A.MeV $^{64}\text{Ni} + ^{124}\text{Sn}$ and $^{58}\text{Ni} + ^{112}\text{Sn}$ in direct kinematics



Almost complete events:  
 $p/p_{\text{tot}} > 60\%$   
 $Z/Z_{\text{tot}} > 60\%$   
 $M_{\text{tot}} \leq 7$



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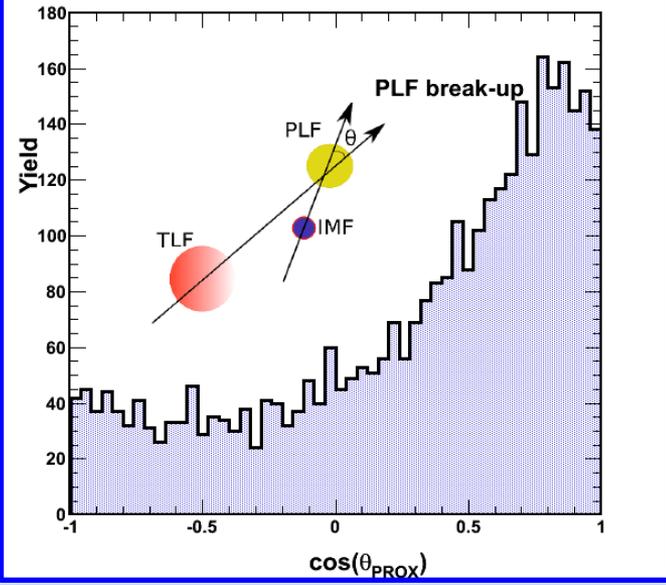
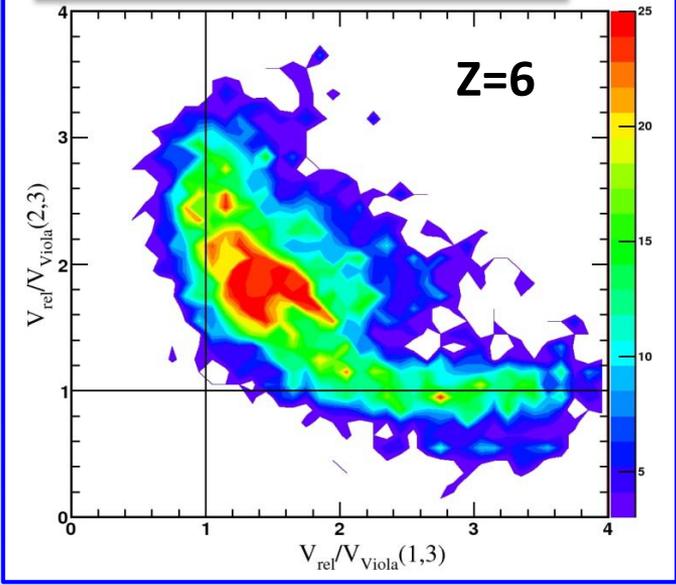
❑ Study of isotopic composition of fragments: isospin migration, neutron enrichment.

❑ Calculations: probing the density dependency of the symmetry energy using these new observables



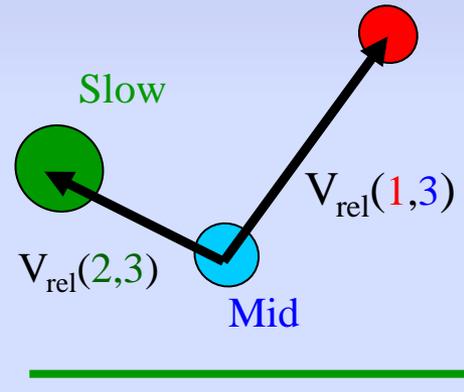
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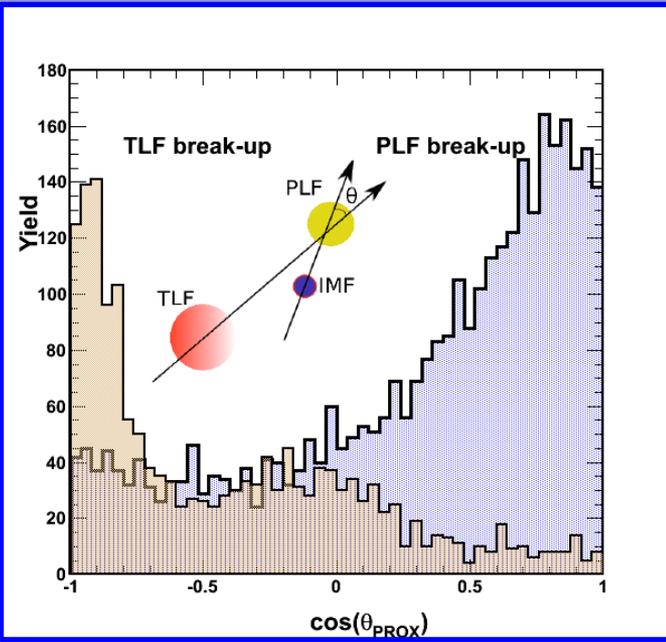
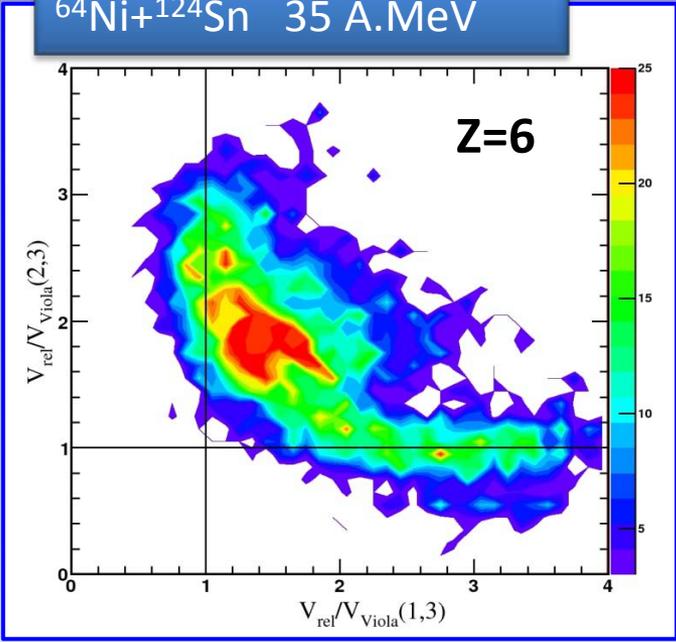


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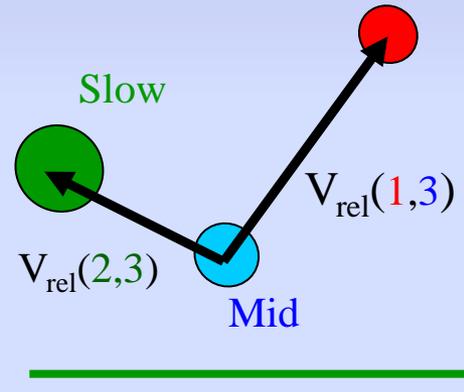
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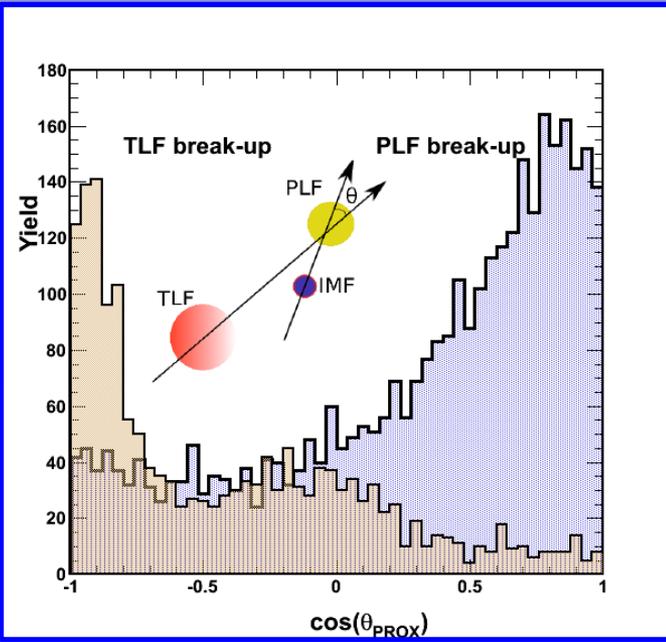
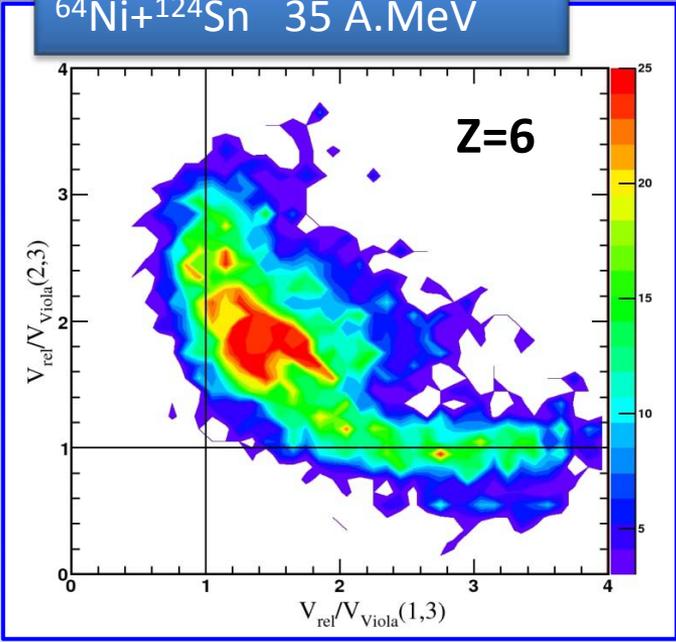


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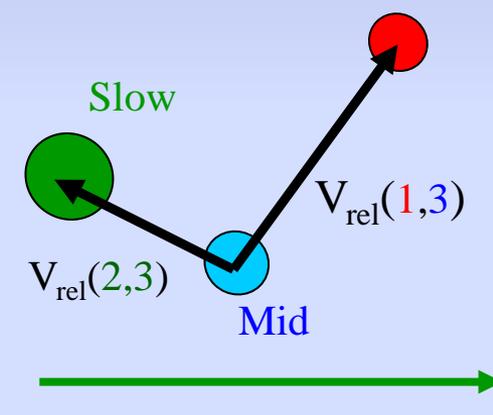
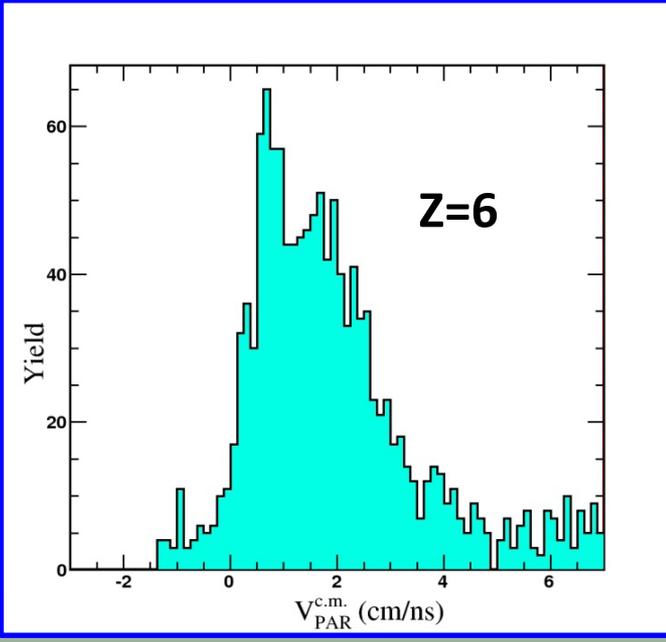
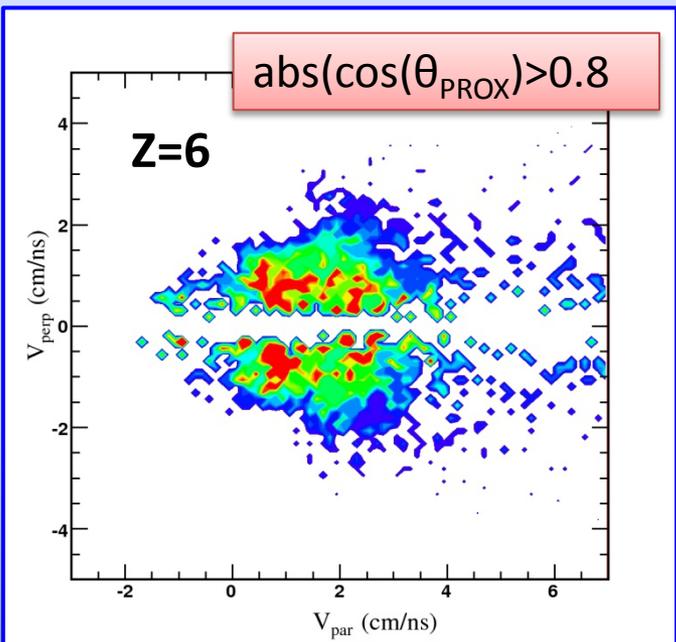
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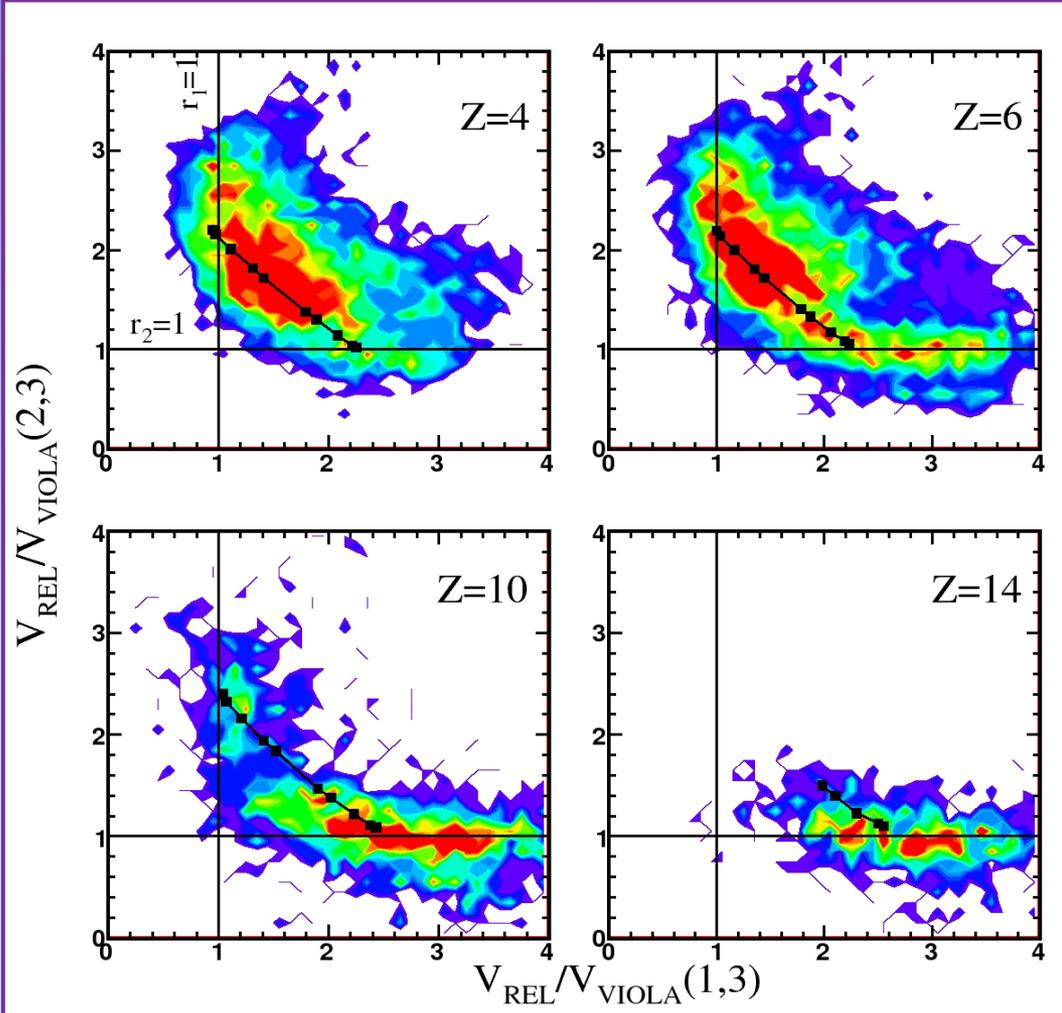
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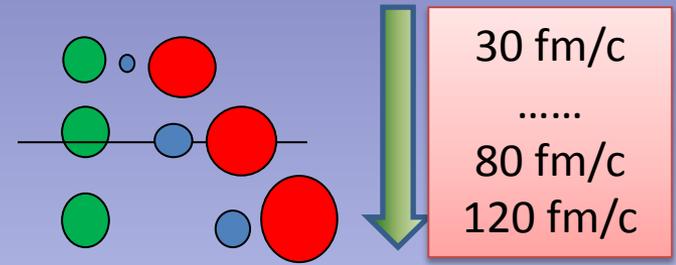
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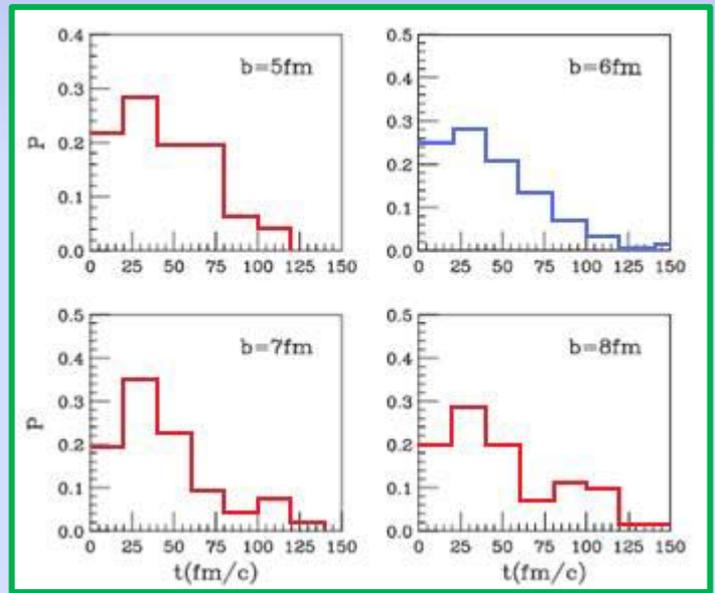
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Relative velocities are expressed in units of the velocity corresponding to the Coulomb repulsion energy of a given subsystem according to the Viola systematics.

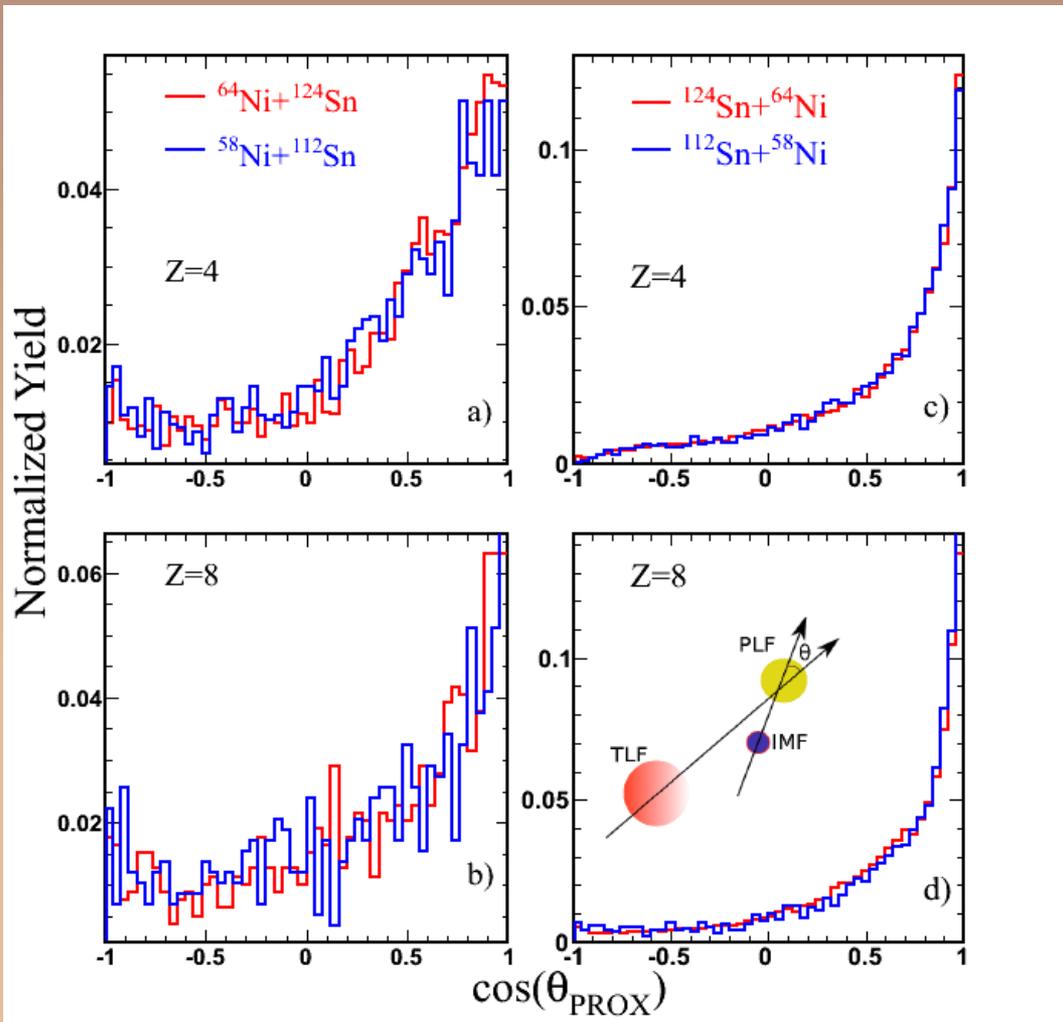


Emission cronology: light fragments are produced earlier (~40 fm/c) than heavier ones (~120 fm/c)

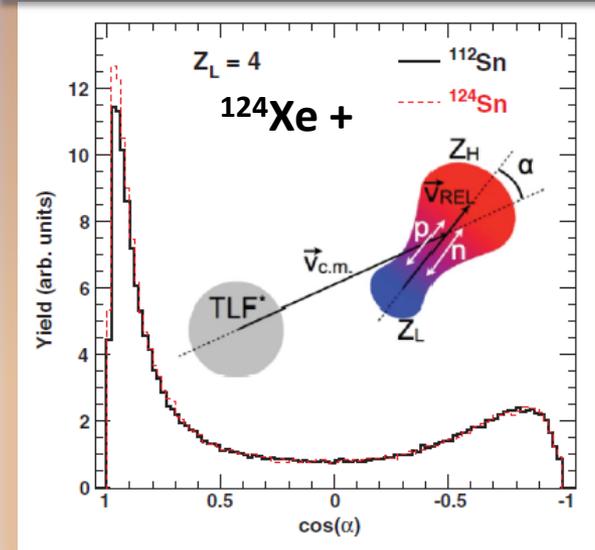


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Angular distributions: PLF break-up in **direct** (left) and **reverse** (right) kinematics



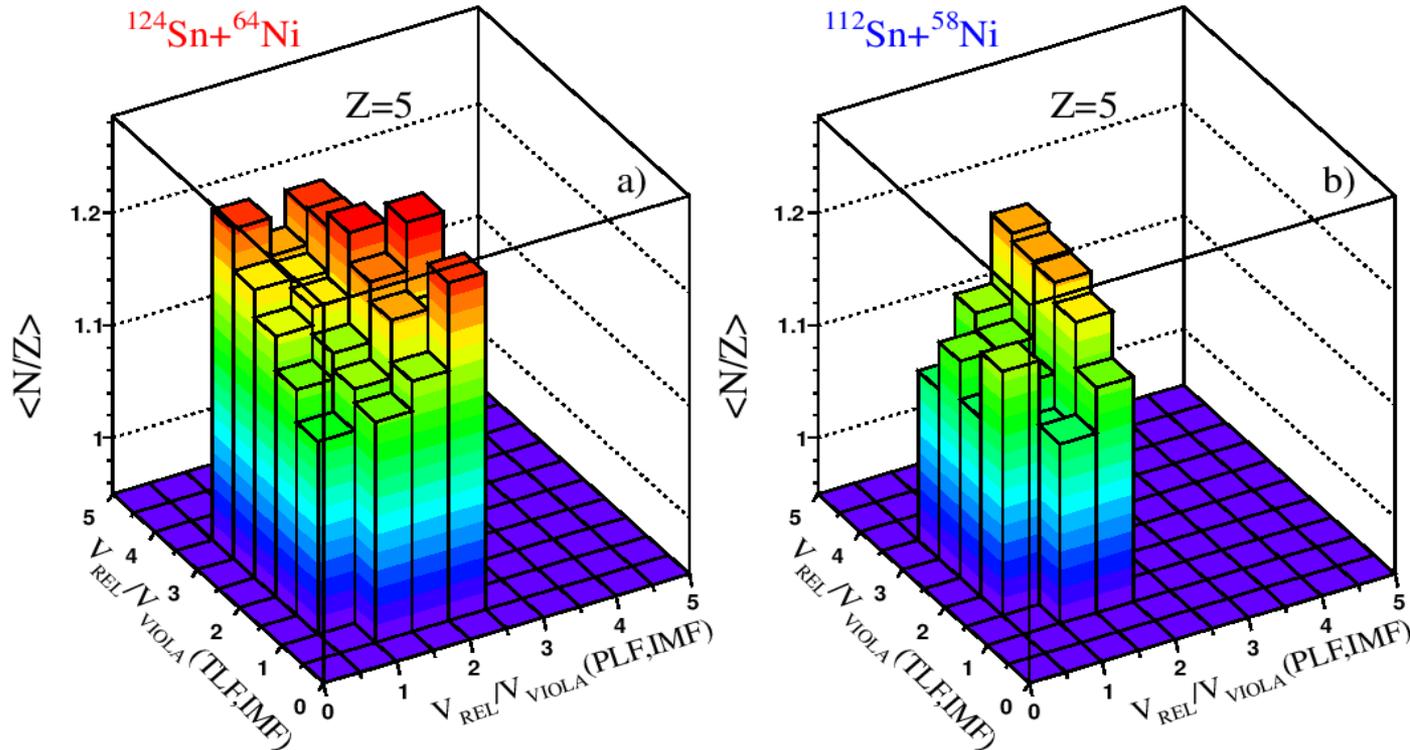
Enhancement of backward fragment yield relative to the forward component



S. Hudan et al., PRC **86** 021603(R)

See E.d.F. et al, NN2012 Conference Proceedings, S. Antonio (Texas, USA), May 27-June 1 2012 Jour. Phys. CS 420 (2013).

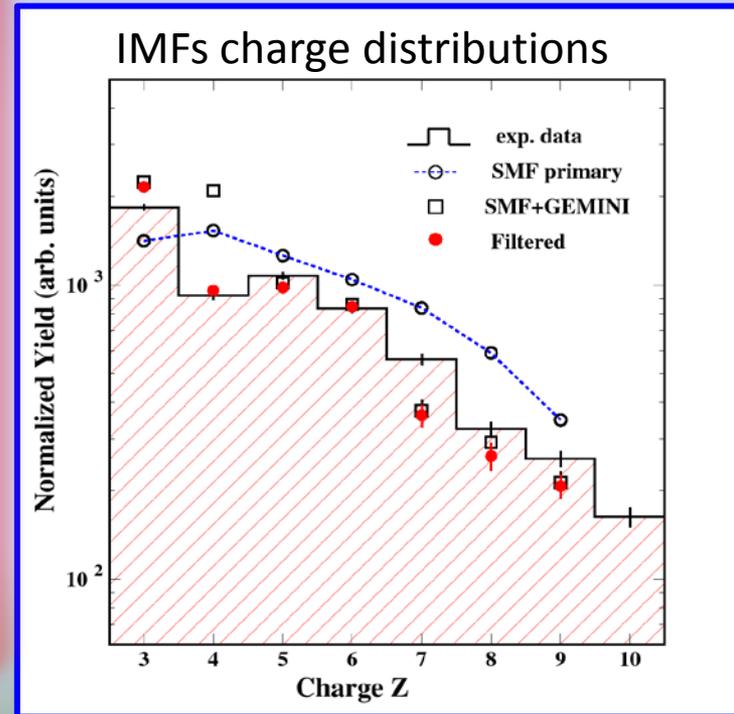
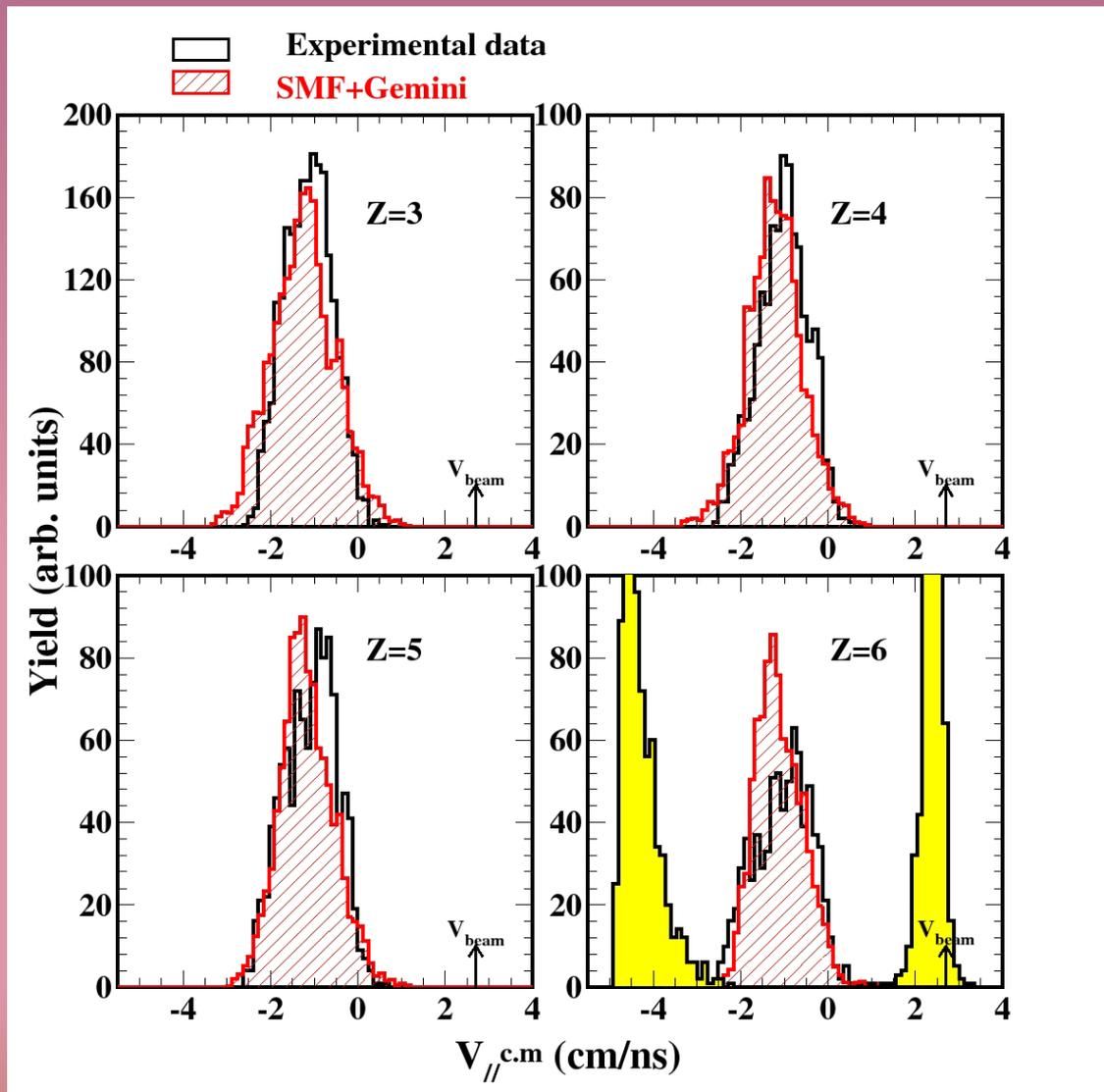
# Correlations between $\langle N/Z \rangle$ for $Z=5$ and relative velocities in the $r_1$ - $r_2$ plane for a neutron rich and a neutron poor system



Correlating isospin and kinematical observables: a powerful constraint for transport theories

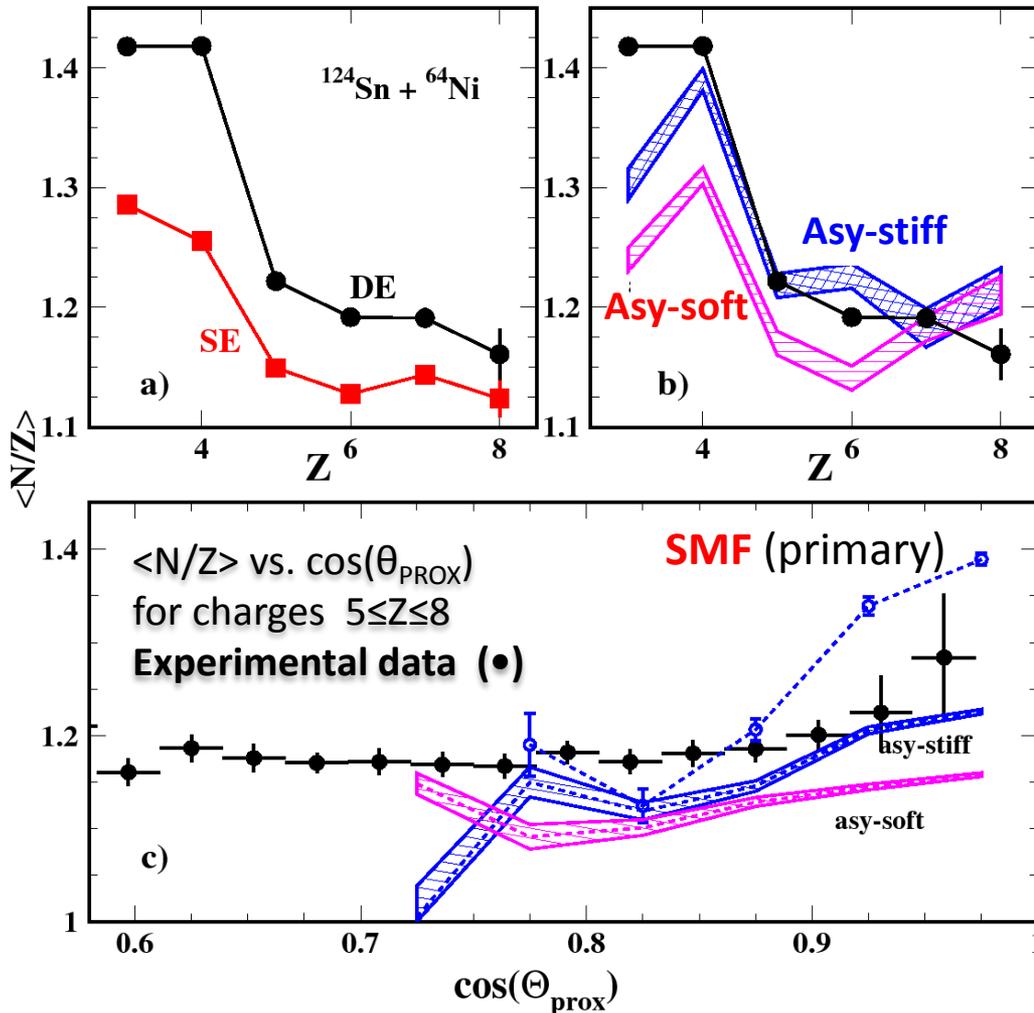
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Calculated distributions are filtered by detectors acceptance, thresholds, time-of-flight experimental resolution.



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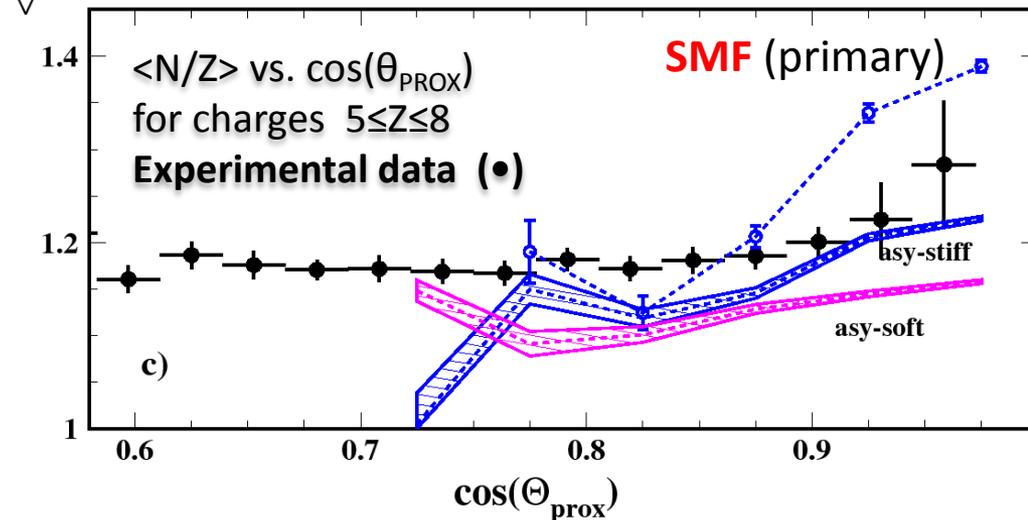
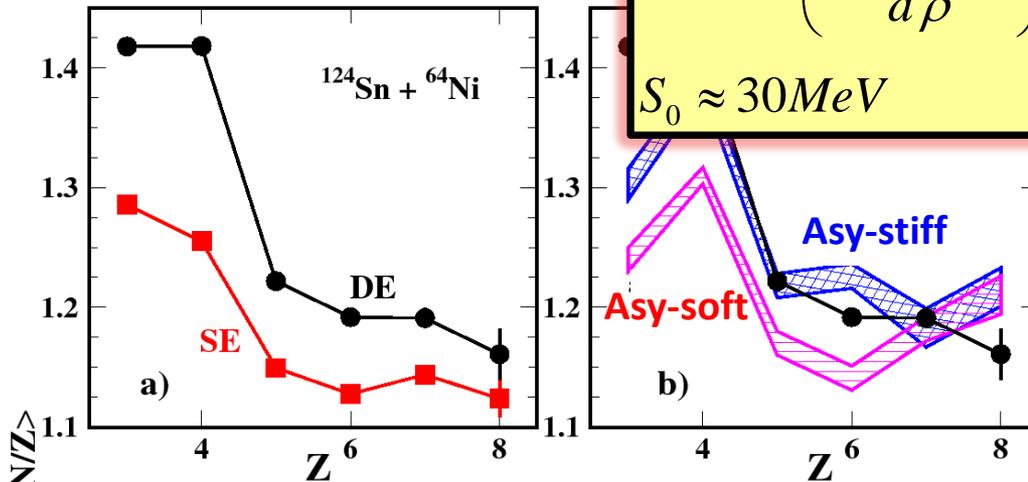
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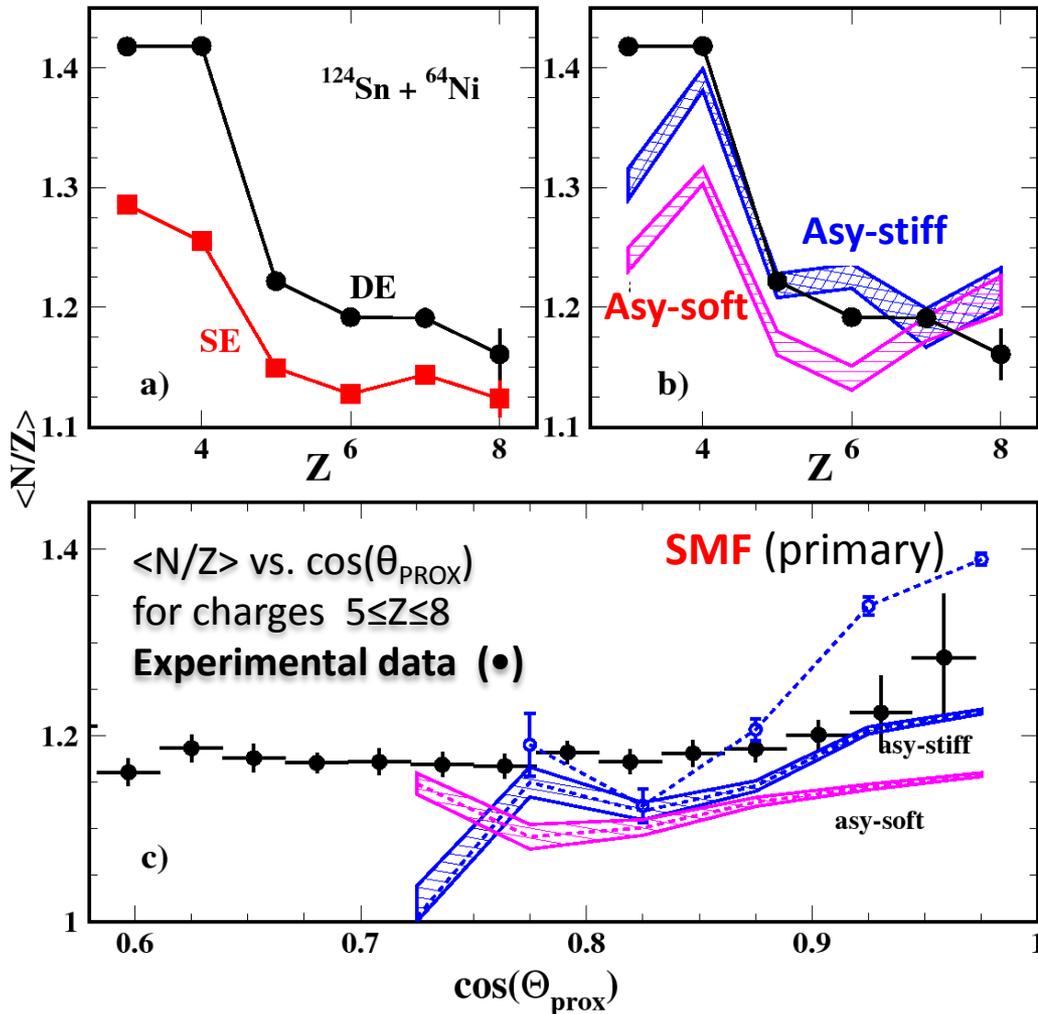
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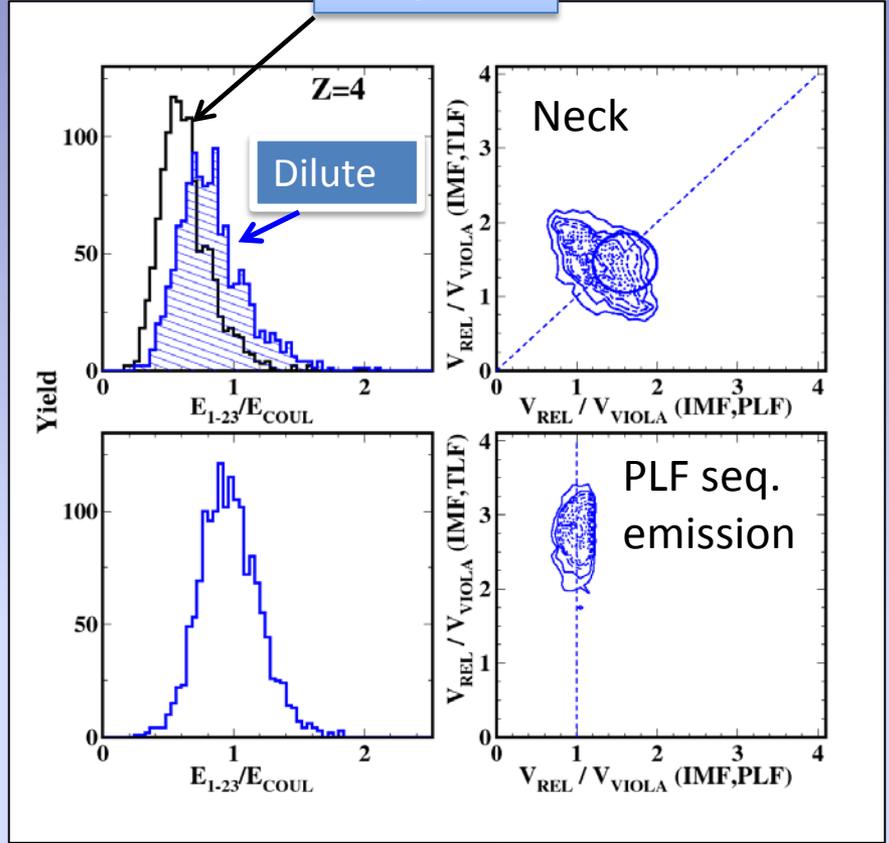
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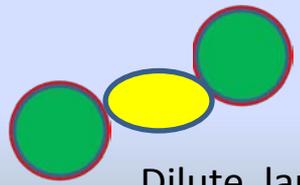
# Density determination: three body analysis in the experimental data

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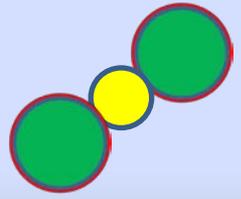
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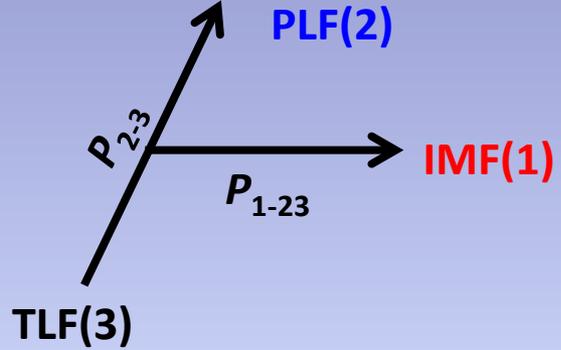


Dilute, large radius



Compact, normal radius

In the 3-bodies center-of-mass system:



$$E_{TOT}^{c.m.} = E_1 + E_2 + E_3 = \frac{P_{1-23}^2}{\mu_{1-23}} + \frac{P_{23}^2}{\mu_{23}} = E_{1-23} + E_{23}$$

The ratio  $E_{1-23}/E_{COULOMB}$  is calculated considering for the IMFs a dilute configuration with  $r_0=1.8A^{1/3}$  fm (filled histogram corresponding to about  $0.05 \rho_0$ ) resulting from average values of SMF calculation ( $\rho=0.05-0.06$   $1/\text{fm}^3$ )

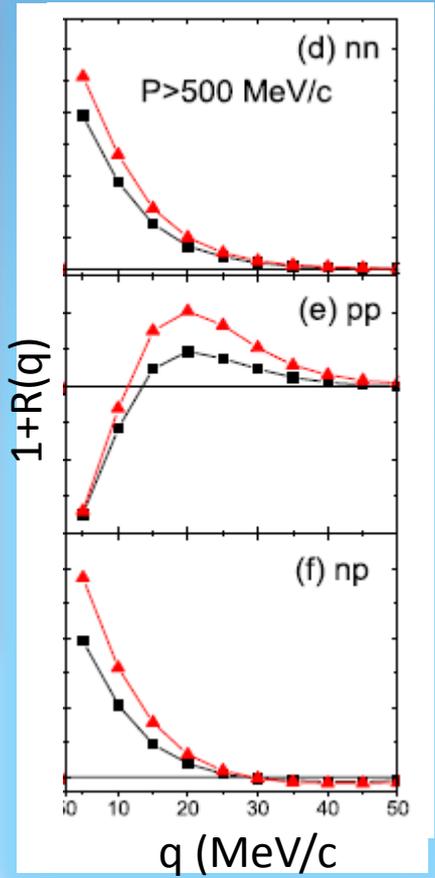
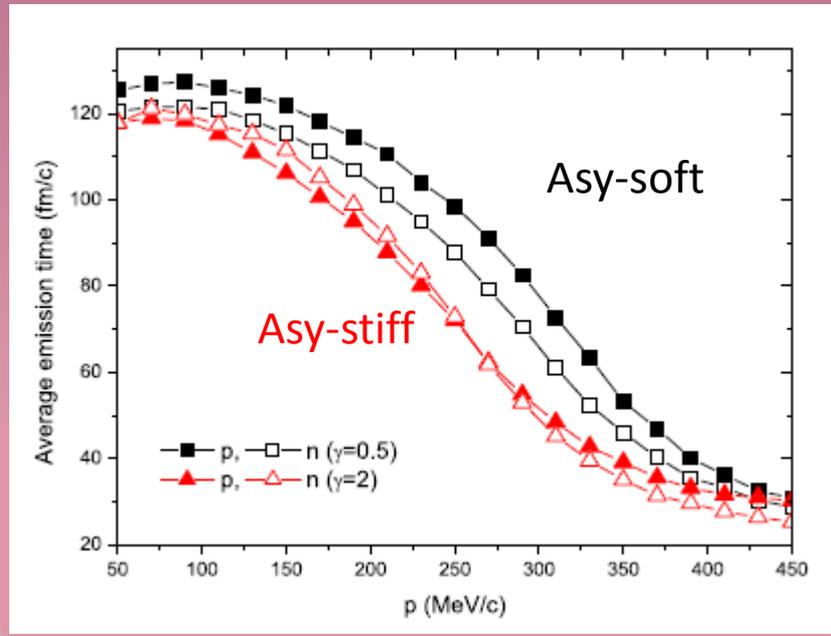
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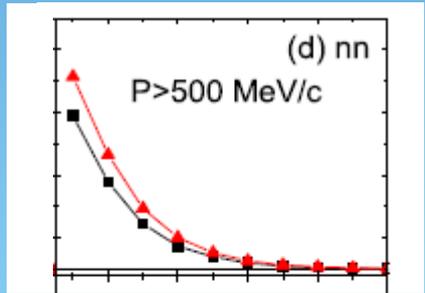
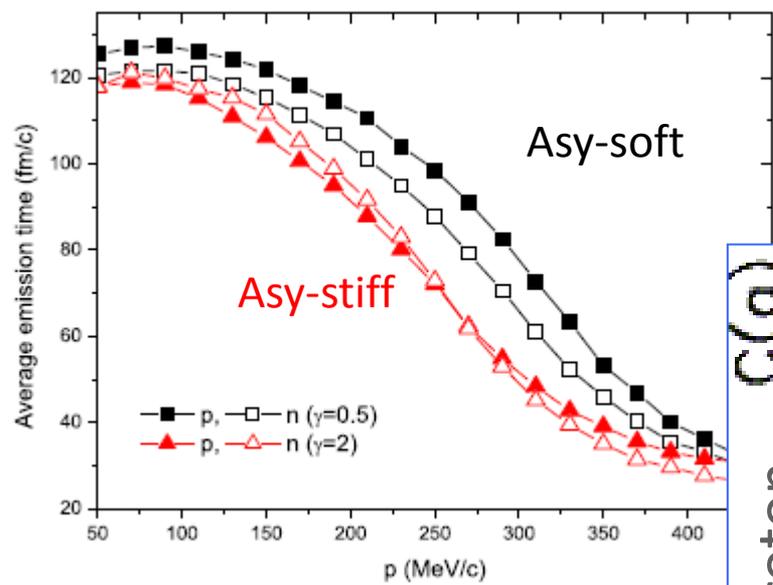
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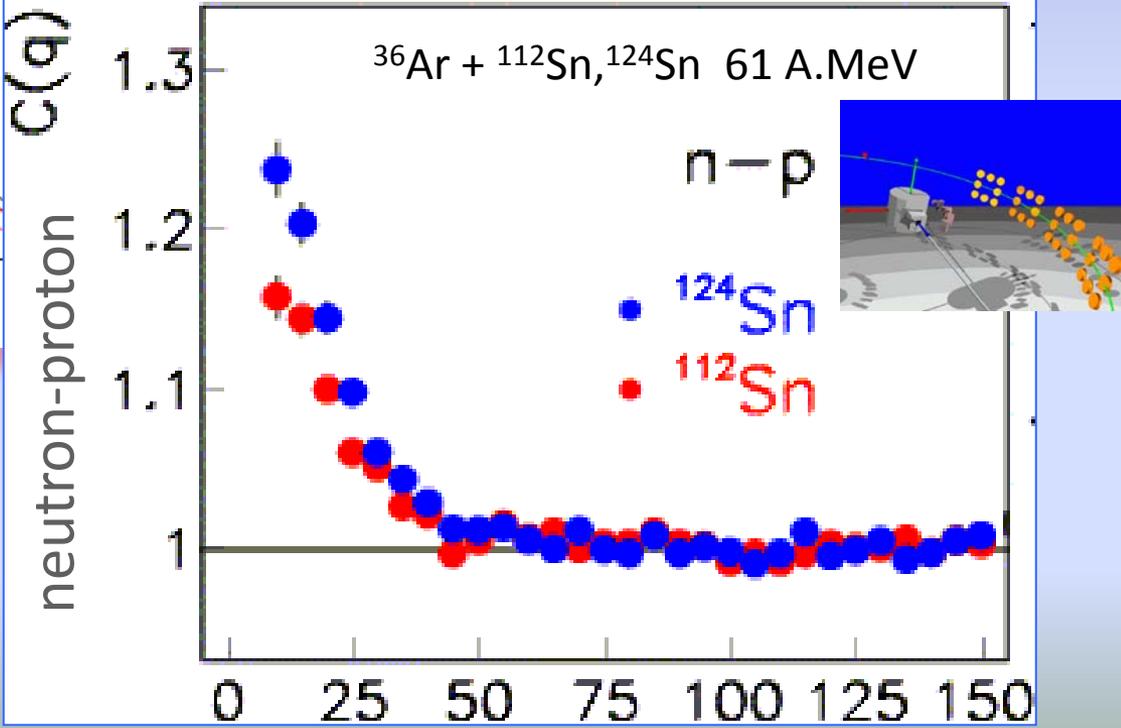
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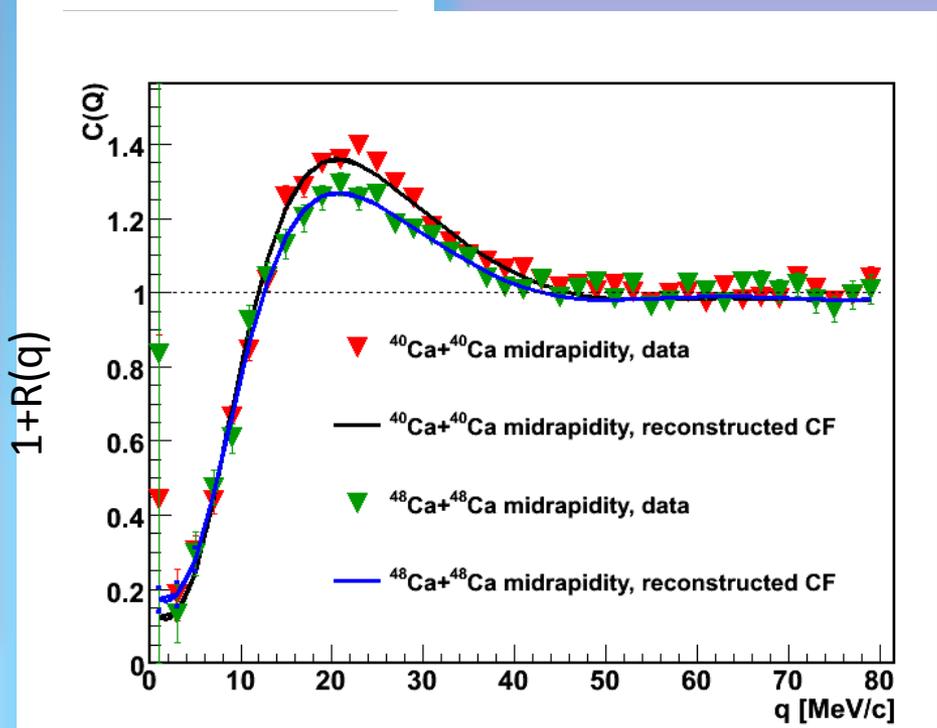
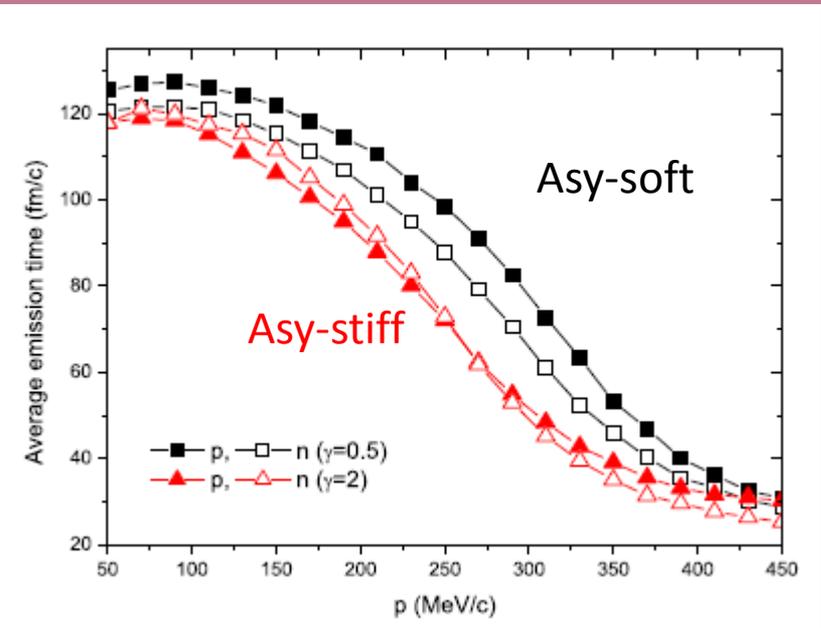
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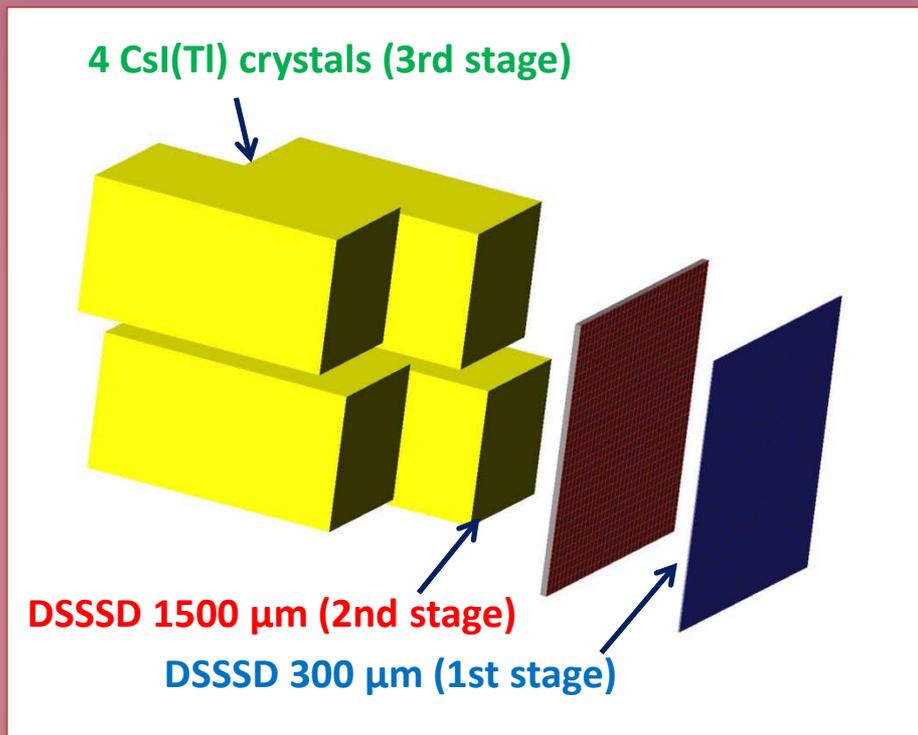
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Larger source size for more n-rich systems:  $E_{\text{sym}}$ -EOS, size effect... ?

# A new setup: the $4\pi$ CHIMERA + a module of FARCOS prototype

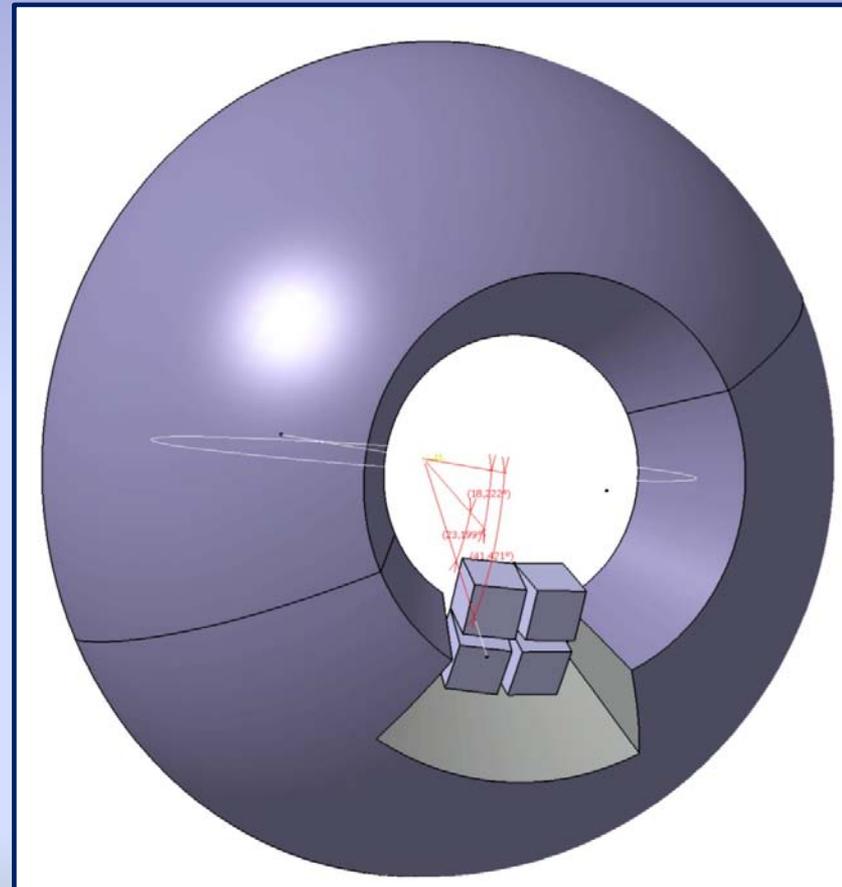
**FARCOS: Femtoscope Array for CORrelations and Spectroscopy (INFN, Ganil, Huelva . . . )**

- Based on  $(62 \times 64 \times 64 \text{ mm}^3)$  clusters
- **1 square  $(0.3 \times 62 \times 62 \text{ mm}^3)$  DSSSD 32+32 strips**
- **1 square  $(1.5 \times 62 \times 62 \text{ mm}^3)$  DSSSD 32+32 strips**
- **4  $60 \times 32 \times 32 \text{ mm}^3$  CsI(Tl) crystals**



132 channels by each cluster

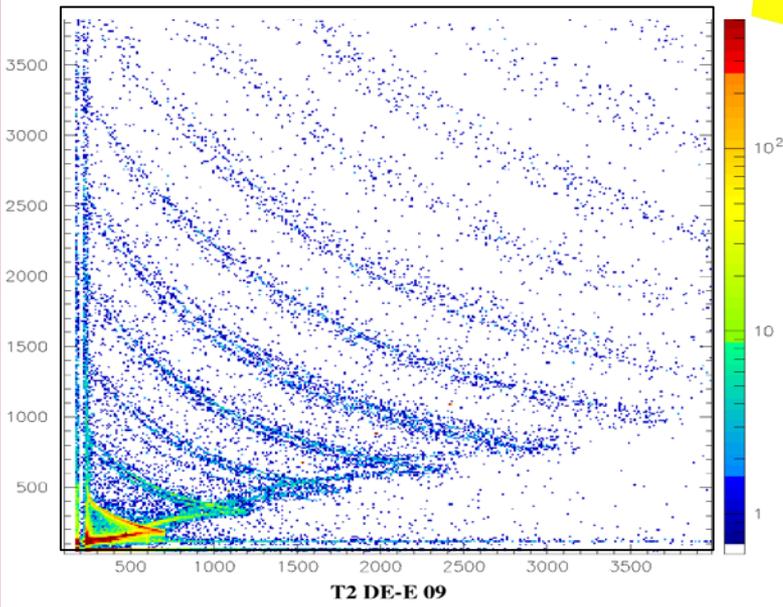
See T. Minniti talk (Wednesday)



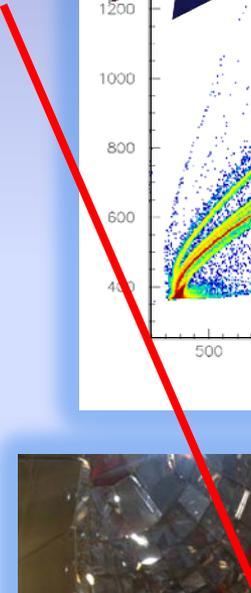
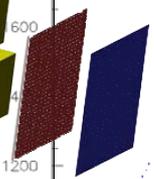
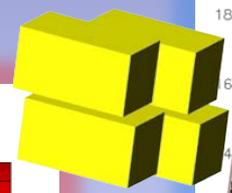
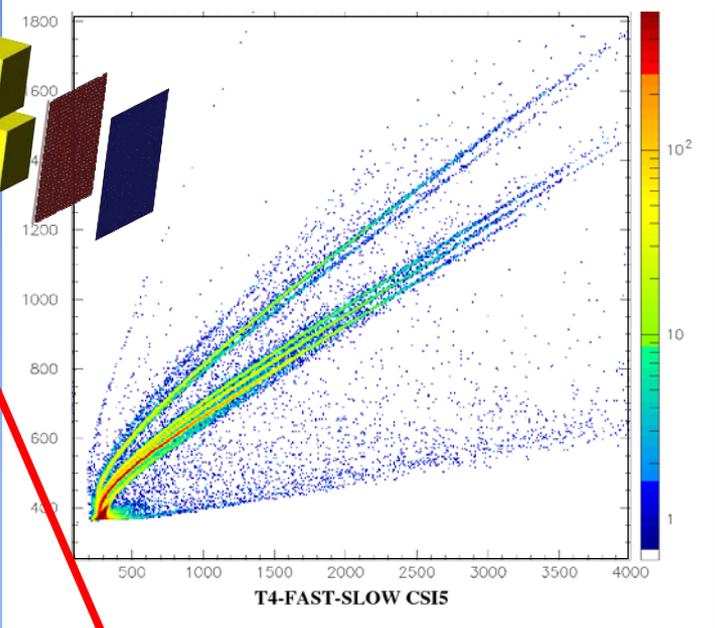
4 telescopes 25 cm from the target  
 $\theta_{\text{lab}} \sim 16\text{-}44 \text{ deg}$ ,  $\Delta\phi \sim 45 \text{ deg}$

Study of Mass vs Isospin effects with the  $^{124}\text{Xe} + ^{64}\text{Zn}$  and  $^{124}\text{Sn} + ^{64}\text{Ni}$  reactions

DE-E (300-1500  $\mu\text{m}$ ) T2 Farcos

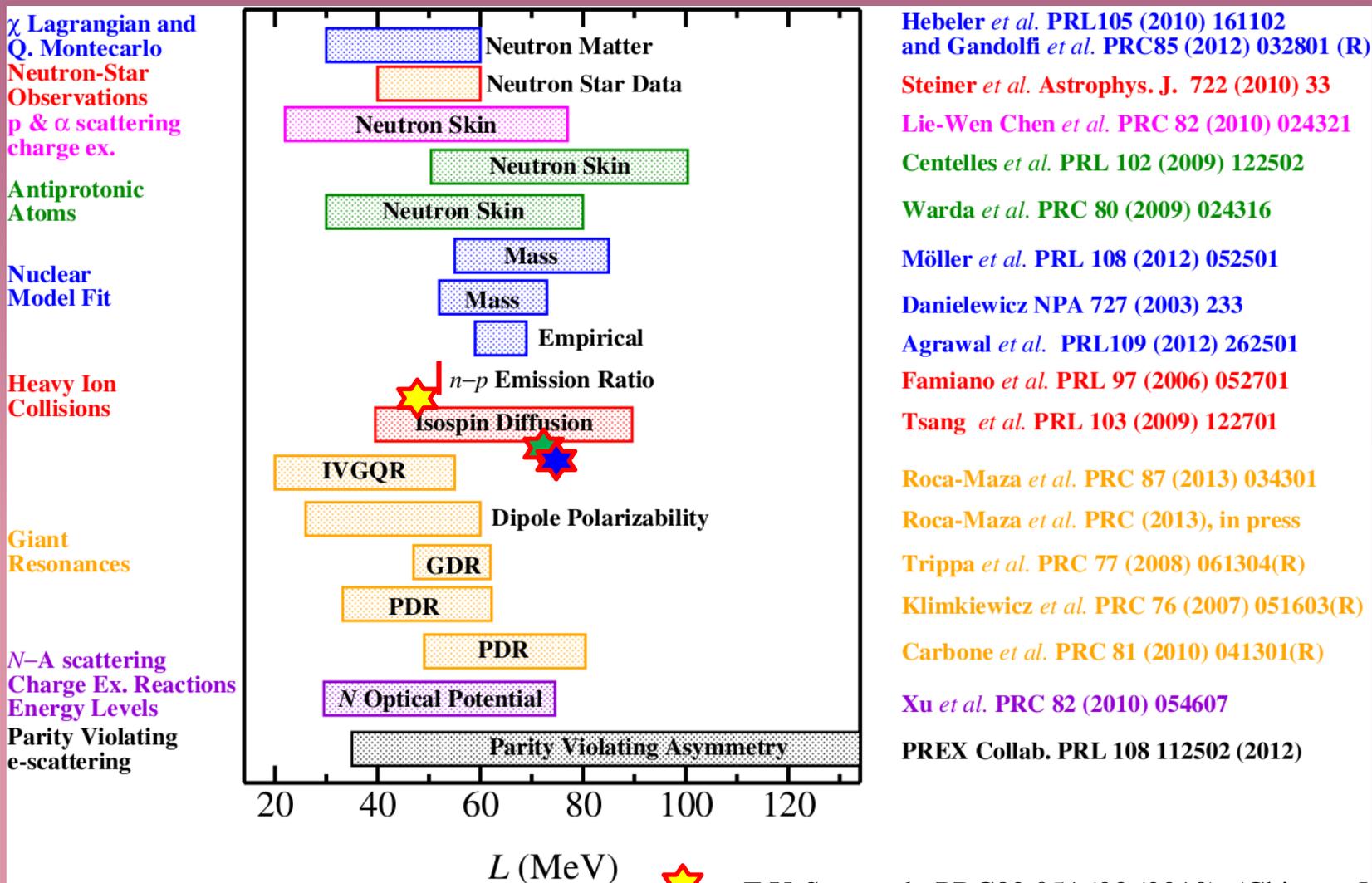


FAST-SLOW T4 Farcos



LNS 2013 experiment:  
particular of the CHIMERA  
sphere and of the compact  
Farcos modules.

# Collection of available estimates of the slope parameter L



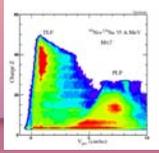
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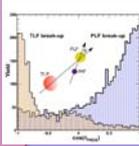
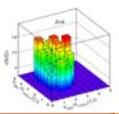
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# SUMMARY

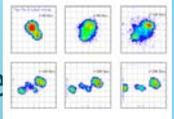
We have studied with the 4 $\pi$  detector **CHIMERA** the two reactions  $^{64,58}\text{Ni}+^{124,112}\text{Sn}$  and  $^{124,112}\text{Sn} + ^{64,58}\text{Ni}$  at the same energy of relative motion (35 A.MeV)



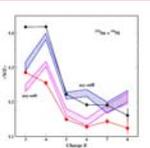
We have introduced a method to disentangle sequential from dynamically emitted particles at midrapidity and we have correlated the isotopic composition of Intermediate mass fragments with their emission timescale. Dynamically emitted IMF shows larger values of  $\langle N/Z \rangle$  isospin asymmetry and stronger angular anisotropies supporting the concept of “*isospin migration*” in neck fragmentation mechanism.



A phenomenological estimation of the density in ternary neck events show that, as stated by transport model calculations, neck fragments are formed in presence of a density gradient



We compared the data to a Stochastic Mean Field (SMF) simulation obtaining valuable constraints on the symmetry energy term of nuclear EOS at subsaturation densities. A stiff  $E_{\text{SYM}}(\rho)$  behaviour with  $L \approx 80$ , corresponding to a linear density dependence, better reproduces the data.



The Chimera+Faros prototype: an array for the study of particle correlations with high angular and energy resolution coupled with 4 $\pi$  detectors



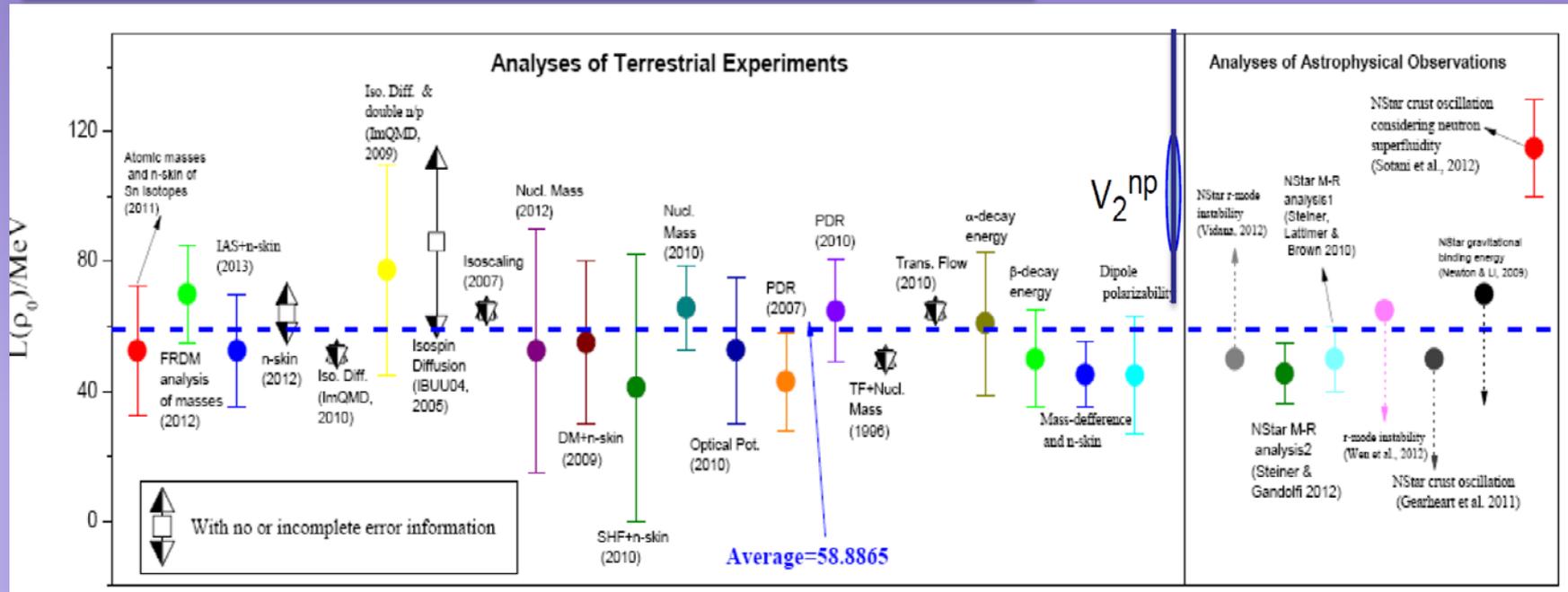
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