





# Perspectives of NUCLEAR DYNAMICS & THERMODYNAMICS with Radioactive Ion Beams

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## Why exotic beams?







## More info needed on asymmetric nuclear matter

# **Isospin asymmetric nuclear matter** is present in

 nuclei, especially those far away from the stability line

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in astrophysical systems (neutron stars)

A deep understanding of the **properties of isospin-rich nuclear matter** is necessary for both nuclear physics & astrophysics Some of these properties are not well constrained.

In particular:

- the density & temperature dependence of the symmetry energy is still an important source of uncertainties.
- the Level density parameter evolution with isospin and temperature
- the effect of isospin on the Limiting Temperature





### Bethe-Weizsäcker Binding Energy formula.



In reality an Extended Liquid Drop Model is needed to consider two terms of **Symmetry Energy**: a Volume and a Surface term:  $Csym(A)=a'_s = C_v + C_s A^{-1/3}$ 

At T=0 a good aproximation is the parabolic form in term of the asymmetry parameter I

Many measurement performed but better constrained if I can vary on a larger range: importance of RIBs

$$\frac{E}{A}(\rho, I) = \frac{E}{A}(\rho, I = 0) + \frac{E_{sym}}{A}(\rho) \times I^{2}$$
symmetric matter
with  $I = \delta = \frac{\rho_{n} - \rho_{p}}{\rho} = \frac{N - Z}{A}$ 



## The importance of isospin in NEOS

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**Density dependence** 

**MAIN GOAL**: Understand the **isospin dependence of** <u>in-medium nuclear</u> <u>effective interactions</u>, extract the isospin dependence of thermal, mechanical and transport properties of **asymmetric nuclear matter** playing important roles in nuclei, neutron stars <u>and</u> supernovae.



 $E_{sym}(\rho) = S(\rho) = a_4 + p_0(\rho - \rho_0) + \Delta K(\rho - \rho_0)^2$ 



The symmetry energy can be divided in a Kinetic contribution (due to Pauli correlations) and a potential contribution (isovector part of effective nuclear interactions)

Commonly used approximations using mean field theory.

$$\frac{E_{sym}}{A}(\rho) = \frac{C_{s,k}}{2} \left(\frac{\rho}{\rho_0}\right)^{2/3} + \frac{C_{s,p}}{2} \left(\frac{\rho}{\rho_0}\right)^{\gamma}$$

 $\gamma$  and L define the asy-stiffness of the EOS and permit the comparison between different approximation formulas

## $\gamma < 1$ Asysoft, $\gamma > 1$ Asystiff





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etc.) Difficult to give the asy-stiffness of the EOS in view of the presently existing data.

 $\frac{E_{sym}}{A}(\rho) = \frac{\varepsilon_F(\rho)}{3} + \frac{C}{2}F(\rho/\rho_0)$ Slope and curvature of  $E_{sym}(\rho)$ 

Kinetic part Potential part



S<sub>0</sub>, L and K<sub>svm</sub> relevant to neutron stars, neutron skins, nuclear collective motion (GMR, GDR, PDR), ...

> Many measurement have been performed on systems in a range close to isospin symmetry - stability.

> Many more needed to be performed with new RIBs at low, intermediate and energy with high up to date performing devices

> (isotopic resolution (e.g. FAZIA), high performing correlators (e.g. FARCOS)

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## • Subsaturation densities (medium & Fermi energies)

Competition between reaction mechanisms: fusion versus deep inelastic

Projectile nuclei

- Isospin diffusion
- Isospin distillation: Isospin contents of light fragments
- Neck fragmentation (at Fermi energies)
- Neutron skin

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- Pre-equilibrium emission and N/Z of fast nucleon emission
- **Particle-particle** correlation
- Cluster emission/preformation
- Nuclear structure at **drip lines**
- **Pigmy** resonancies
- neutron star formation and crust

• Supersaturation densities (high energies)

- N,p collective flow
- Meson production
- neutron star mass-radius relation
- transition to a deconfined phase
- formation of black holes

Studying density dependence of symmetry energy : Multifragmentation

**Observables** sensitive to E<sub>sym</sub>









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# What info from Nuclear Collisions ? euronie

■ Heavy-ion reactions with neutron rich nuclei, from low up to relativistic energies, can be used to study the properties of the symmetry term of the nuclear interaction in a wide range of densities → Heavy-ion collisions provide the only means to compress/expand nuclear matter in a terrestrial laboratory.

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- Nuclear reactions are modeled by solving transport equations based on mean field theories, with correlations included via hard nucleon-nucleon elastic and inelastic collisions and via stochastic forces
- Stochasticity is essential in order to get distributions as well as to allow for the growth of dynamical instabilities.

So far these **properties** were studied with stable beams. With availabilities of radioactive beams those studies can be extended.



Study of the nuclear matter properties under constraint, particularly the density dependence of the symmetry term.
Dynamical studies → microscopic properties like viscosity, transport properties, symmetry term, in medium n-n cross section...

• Thermodynamics and de-excitation of hot nuclei  $\rightarrow$  macroscopic properties like the level density parameter, the limiting T, the E<sup>\*</sup><sub>max</sub>, the Coulomb barrier...

In both cases the **simulated excited (hot) fragments** must be **deexcited** before comparing with experiment. **reaction time** 10<sup>-22</sup> –10<sup>-21</sup> **s; detection time** 10<sup>-8</sup> -10<sup>-7</sup> s





First determination of Csym: at T=0 and  $\rho = \rho_0$  from binding energy fits using LD mass formulas

Can we access Csym at finite Temperature?

### It can be studied through well characterized nuclear sources

S. Wuenschel,...S.Yennello. Phys. Rev. C 79, 061602(R) (2009)

P. Marini talk @ ASY-EOS 2010 Isoscaling, SMM & the symmetry energy: connecting the dots Bulk term only (Bethe-Weizsacker)

 $C_{sym}(A) = C_{sym} pprox 32 \; {\rm MeV}$ 

Bulk + surface terms (Myers & Swiatecki, Moller&Nix)

 $E_{sym}(N,Z) = C_{sym}(A) \frac{(N-Z)^2}{4}$ 

 $C_{sym}(A) = c_v + c_s A^{-1/3}$ 

Accepted values of C<sub>svm</sub> : 28-32 MeV

**Isoscaling** of **Isobaric Yield** m-scaling of fragments Ratio fragment yields -> Landau free energy -> Modified Fisher -> statistical fragment approach\*\*\* production, same T Model \*\*  $Y(A,I), I = \frac{N-Z}{A}$ Y(N,Z)Y(A,Z) $R_{21}(N,Z) = \frac{Y_2(N,Z)}{Y_1(N,Z)} = R(I+2,I,A) = \frac{Y(I+2,A)}{Y(I,A)}$ for mirror nuclei:  $= C \exp(\alpha N + \beta Z)$  $\frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{Z}{A}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{Z}{A}\right)^2}} \cdot \frac{\frac{C_{sym}}{T}}{\left(\frac{Z}{A}\right)^2} - \frac{A}{8} \{\ln R(3,1,A) - \ln R(1,-1,A) - c\}$  $\frac{C_{sym}}{T} = \frac{1}{4} \ln \left( \frac{Y_2}{Y_1} \right)$  $\frac{C_{sym}}{T}$ \* M.B.Tsang et al. \*\*\* R. Tripathi et al. (2010) \* \* R.W. Minich et al. Phys. Phys.Rev.Lett 86, 5023 (2001) Lett. B 118, 458 (1982)



## Symmetry Energy & ISOSCALING

Ratios to amplify the signal



#### **Compact representation**



**Universal scaling law: isoscaling** M.B. Tsang et al., PRC 64 (2001) 041603.

 $4C_{sym}^{frag}/T = \alpha / \left| \left( \frac{Z_{S1}}{A_{S1}} \right) \right|$ 

Hot fragment Csym in the formalism (grancanonical)

$$4C_{sym}(Z)/T = \alpha / \left\lfloor \left(\frac{Z}{\langle A \rangle_1}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{Z}{\langle A \rangle_2}\right)^2 \right\rfloor$$

If Csym do not depend on  $Z \rightarrow (Z/A)_{frag} = (Z/A)_{source}$  $\left(\frac{Z_{S2}}{A_{S2}}\right)^2$ 

## isoscaling formulae

$$\frac{Y_2(N,Z)}{Y_1(N,Z)} = C \exp \left[\alpha N + \beta Z\right]$$
$$S(N) = \frac{Y_2(N,Z)}{Y_1(N,Z)} \exp -\beta Z$$
$$S(Z) = \frac{Y_2(N,Z)}{Y_1(N,Z)} \exp -\alpha N$$

## Isoscaling

if statistical reaction mechanisms and close T in both systems.

## It can be studied through well characterized nuclear sources

Wuenschel,...S.Yennello. Phys. Rev. C 79, 31602(R) (2009)

The comparison between two reactions is necessary.

Measurement of the Production yield of a given isotope produced in two reactions leading to a nuclear system with **similar mass** but different isospin.

### $R_{21} = Y2(N,Z)/Y1(N,Z)$

Hypothesis: yield ratio is independent of secondary decay  $\rightarrow \alpha$  and  $\beta$  do not change if we measure secondary (cold) fragments

→ drawback: THIS IS NOT **CONFIRMED IN ALL MODELS!** 

- Very model-dependent analyses (fragment formation)
- Secondary decays may distort sensitivity to Esym(p)



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# **NEOS & Symmetry Energy**



Good values between input and output for E<3AMeV (almost no secondary decay) Wrong values for  $E>3AMeV \rightarrow$  damped correlations

cold fragments -

effects of secondary decay on observables The importance of these effects will vary according to the observables employed for extraction of the desired information.

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secondary decay is even more important and may distort the information



### Secondary decay effects



The determination of the symmetry energy from the dynamical model comparison is highly model dependent, and the assumption of a single form of the symmetry at different energy densities questionable.



#### Generally

 $\alpha_{fin} \ge \alpha_{prim}$  in stat. mod.  $\alpha_{fin} \le \alpha_{prim}$  in dyn. mod.

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Widths of excited isotopic dist. smaller in Dynamical, while final widths are more similar in both cases.

Fig. 5-5. Stochastic transport simulations of Sn + Sn central collisions at 50AMeV. Isoscaling behaviors: primary fragments (upper curves); after sequential decays (lower curves).

#### Isoscaling in the Lattice Gas Model: Z<sub>max</sub> is promising

 $\alpha$ (Zmax ) qualitatively is in a better agreement with the input symmetry energy





Input model -  $\langle \alpha_{Z=2-7} \rangle \Delta(\frac{N}{Z})$  source dotted:  $\alpha$  for Z=2 to 7,  $\Delta(\frac{N}{Z})$  fragments full:  $\alpha$  for Z<sub>max</sub>,  $\Delta(\frac{N}{Z})$  fragments

Need to detect and identify Z<sub>max</sub> New devices with large angular coverage and good resolution up to high Z→ e.g. FAZIA or FAZIA<sub>dem</sub>+INDRA/ FAZIA<sub>dem</sub>+CHIMERA

G. Lehaut et al. PRL 102, 142503 (2009)

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Particle emission due to unstable states need to be checked

Prediction of the contributions to the total (final) spectrum due to fragments unstable for particle emission. The spectrum of detected  $\alpha$  particle contains about 30% of secondary particles.

These de-excitation of **«hot» fragments** produce a **«staggering» effect** in the isotopic distributions

M. D'Agostino et al. Nucl.Phys.A861(2011)47

At low energy we can study effects close to the multifragmentation threshold (cold produced fragments). The experimental reconstruction of the primary fragment through <u>correlation techniques of secondary decays</u> in such moderately excited fragments will allow us to trace back the primary fragmentation pattern minimizing the model dependence of the procedure.

#### Better knowledge of hot light nuclei:

- **Statistical decay** of hot light nuclei (C -Ca): T<sub>lim</sub>, E\*<sub>max</sub> ? control of the secondary decay in multifragmentation (characterization of the freeze-out stage)
- Studying the decay of isobars populated at the same E\*



Experiments with n-rich/poor systems at low energy: *CUTORIB* <sup>32</sup>S+<sup>58</sup>Ni, <sup>64</sup>Ni 14.5MeV/A (N/Z=1., 1.22, 1.05)



nucl-ex&garfield collab.

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5% of well measured central events: at least 3 fragment (IMF Z≥3).

odd-even staggerings depend on the **whole evaporation chain** and not only on the energy balance of the last evaporation step.



Smallest, second and third largest fragment distributions



Not only sequential decay? More structure info needed in Multifragmentation models for the decay of primary fragments

#### M. D'Agostino et al. Nucl.Phys.A861(2011)47





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#### W.P. Tan et al., Phys. Rev. C69, 06130 (2004).

Measurement of the population of unstable states towards particle emission through the method of correlation functions

Coulomb background

**Breit-Wigner** 

total (Breit-Wigner Coulomb subtracted)



#### GARFIELD @ ALPI 14.5 AMeV



#### M. D'Agostino et al. Nucl.Phys.A875(2012)139

- Benchmark for the level density through evaporative models (Gemini,SMM-MSU,ABLA07...)
- New evaporation code HF (PhD Thesis G.Baiocco Univ. Bologna- Univ. Caen)

B.Tsang et al., in "Dynamics and Thermodynamics with nuclear Degrees of freedom", Springer 2006

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Last decay stadium can be reconstructed through correlation functions → need of experimental devices with optimal angular and energy resolution (GARFIELD+RINGCo, FAZIA, FARCOS etc.)

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### Experiments with n-rich/poor systems at low energy: <sup>32</sup>S+<sup>40</sup>Ca, <sup>48</sup>Ca, <sup>48</sup>Ti 17.7MeV/A (N/Z=1., 1.22, 1.05)

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**GARFIELD + RING Counter**: **Central collisions**: we expect that close to the multifragmentation threshold, the produced fragments will be relatively **cold**. The experimental reconstruction through **correlation techniques of secondary decays** in such moderately excited fragments will allow us to **trace back the primary fragmentation pattern** minimizing the model dependence of the procedure.





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J.Cugnon,INPA(1985)

#### Analysis in progress



- Peripheral collisions: many sources,
- Central collision one source





Level densities at low excitation energy are known to exhibit important isotopic and odd-even effects, resulting in staggering effects in different isotopic observables.





Recently, Natowitz & co-workers have shown that the symmetry energy at very low densities  $((0.01 - 0.05)\rho_0)$  can be explained by quantum statistical calculation that includes cluster correlation in nuclear medium. At densities higher than  $0.2-0.3\rho_0$  the many body correlation disappears and the symmetry energy follows the dependence predicted by the mean field calculations.

#### <sup>64</sup>Zn on <sup>92</sup>Mo and <sup>197</sup>Au at 35 MeV

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FIG. 1 (color online). Free (a) and internal (b) symmetry energy as a function of the surface velocity. Experimental results are compared with results of theoretical calculations neglecting cluster formation (RMF) and including cluster formation (QS).

New data from heavy-ion collisions can be used to extract the free symmetry energy and the internal symmetry energy at **subsaturation densities** and **temperatures below 10 MeV**. Conventional theoretical calculations of the symmetry energy based on mean-field approaches fail to give the correct low-temperature, **low-density limit** that is governed by correlations, in particular, by the **appearance of bound states**. A recently developed quantum-statistical approach that takes the **formation of clusters** into account predicts symmetry energies that are in very good agreement with the experimental data.



Transport equation for the one-body distribution function f, Stochastic Mean Field (SMF) approach

 $\frac{df(r, p, t)}{dt} = \frac{\partial f(r, p, t)}{\partial t} + \{f, h\} = I_{coll}[f] + \delta I_{coll}$ 

Chomaz,Colonna, Randrup Phys. Rep. 389 (2004) Baran,Colonna,Greco, Di Toro Phys. Rep. 410, 335 (2005)

Residual interaction: Correlations, Fluctuations

The nuclear interaction, contained in the Hamiltonian h, is represented by effective interactions (Skyrme)

Transport models predict fluctuations of large amplitude in the density matter during the dynamic phase of the collisions

- We can **observe** these **fluctuations** by measuring the **isotopic distributions** in the mid-velocity region
- Competition between (incomplete) fusion and deep-inelastic reactions=> information on the density behaviour of the symmetry energy, the viscosity and in medium n-n cross section.

Comparison with theory gives access to **transport properties** such as the dependence of the symmetry term on density





Fig. 5-1. Density plots at different times in a reaction between neutron-rich ions (a, b):<sup>46</sup> Ar +<sup>64</sup> Ni) and neutron-poor ions (c, d):<sup>46</sup> V +<sup>64</sup> Ge). (a, c): asysoft symmetry term; (b, d): asystiff. See text

**n-rich**  $\rightarrow$  **asysoft**  $\rightarrow$  less repulsion  $\rightarrow$  **fusion n-poor** $\rightarrow$ **asysoft** $\rightarrow$ more repulsion (larger Coulomb) $\rightarrow$ deep inel.

Less repulsion at low density (neck) larger surviving probability Presence of the neck: observable to constraint the symmetry energy



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# Competition of reaction mechanisms: **Competition of reaction mechanisms**: **Competition versus deep inelastic**



**Effect of isospin**: amount of **repulsion** existing during the interaction of the 2 surfaces;

**n-rich systems**  $\rightarrow$  fusion is favoured with **asy-soft** (proton symmetry field **more actractive**  $\rightarrow$  interaction between incoming nuclei **stronger** 

**n-poor systems** → fusion easier with **asy-stiff**: due to **proton skin** (repulsion) **p** are promptly emitted  $\rightarrow$ Coulomb decreases  $\rightarrow$ **fusion enhanced** 

CoMDII+Gemini simulations 3 symmetry energy terms:  $\gamma=0.5$  soft  $\gamma=1.0$  stiff2  $\gamma=1.5$  stiff1

Comparison among 3 systems: compatibility with asystiff parametrization:  $E_{sym}^{pot}$  linearly increasing with density.



Incomplete fusion cross section at 25 MeV/A with <sup>40</sup>Ca projectile (CHIMERA - LNS data) The more n-rich entrance channel <sup>40</sup>Ca+ <sup>48</sup>Ca push the CN towards the stability valley The two N≈Z systems <sup>40</sup>Ca+ <sup>40</sup>Ca, <sup>40</sup>Ca+ <sup>48</sup>Ti push CN towards the proton drip line

### Amorini et al. PRL 102(2009)112701





# NEOS, symmetry energy and neck fragmentation



Neck fragmentation observed at 10-50 AMeV incident energies in **semi-peripheral heavy ion collisions**: Emission of **light products (Z<10)** emitted in the interaction zone with a velocity intermediate between those of the 2 main partners (PLF/TLF) -



 $\rho(\text{fm}^{-3})$ 



# NEOS, symmetry energy and neck fragmentation





Impact parameter dependence of the neck emission for n-rich (empty circles) and n-poor (black square) systems

No **evident dependence** on symmetry term stiffness in fragment angular or relative velocities distributions, but asymmetry is still small in the considered cases.

More clear: Stiffness of the symmetry term dependence on the I content of the Neck IMFs (NIMF): Squares: superasystiff Rombs : asystiff Circles: asysoft

NIMF are more **n-rich** than IMF from semicentral collisions. PLF and TLF **lower asymmetry** than NIMF



New observables: **Wilczynski-2 plot**, that is r=v<sub>rel</sub>(NIMF-PLF)/v<sub>Viola</sub>(PLF) r1=v<sub>rel</sub>(NIMF-TLF)/v<sub>Viola</sub>(TLF)







## **Isospin diffusion**





The question of whether or not an excited nuclear system reaches equilibrium before decaying is of importance when trying to determine the events that occur in hot nuclear matter just prior to fragment emission. Isospin equilibrium is one type of equilibrium that excited nuclear matter can achieve.

When two nuclei with **different N/Z asymmetries** come into contact, **diffusion of neutrons and protons** is initiated and continues until the system disintegrates or until the chemical potentials for neutrons and protons in both nuclei become equal.

The rate of diffusion is influenced by the initial densities of neutrons and protons in the emitting nuclei, the neutron and proton mean free paths, and the mean field potentials.

At **low energy** deep inelastic → diffusion influenced by **gradient of concentration** (no big density fluctuations)

At intermediate and high energy  $\rightarrow$ diffusion is driven by the gradient of concentration and of density



N/Z equilibration depends on the INTERACTION TIME thus the reaction impact parameter & beam energy play a fundamental role. At low energy (<20 AMeV) is a fast process (10<sup>-22</sup>s)

In the **Fermi energy domain**, the **time scale** for fragmentation decay becomes **comparable** to or **shorter** than the **time scales** characterizing the attainment of **isospin equilibration** 





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The isospin diffusion proceeds along the neck region driven by the symmetry energy term strenght and it is favoured by a soft term of the ASY-EOS  $\rightarrow$  enhance degree of equilibration



## **Isospin diffusion**



PHYSICAL REVIEW C 79, 064614 (2009)



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Semiperipheral Collision measurements performed with INDRA. *N/Z* ratio for complex particles is plotted as a function of the normalized dissipated energy for the four reactions. Evident diffusion in Ni+Au (N/Z =1.38) as compared to Ni+Ni (N/Z=1.07) as reference Asystiff better overall agreement

 BNV used as a clock
 For Ni+Au at 52 A MeV maximum measured dissipation corresponds to b=5 fm in BNV calculations that is t<sub>int</sub>=130fm/c±10 fm/c → equilibration

Forward NN (V<sub>particle</sub> > V<sub>lab</sub><sup>proj</sup>/2 forward QP frame (V<sub>particle</sub> > V<sub>rec</sub>QP)



$$R_{i}(X) = \frac{2X_{AB} - (X_{AA} + X_{BB})/2}{X_{AA} - X_{BB}}$$

Isospin Imbalance Ratio from mixed and symmetric systems



R<sub>i</sub>=+/-1 no diffusion R<sub>i</sub>=0 equilibrium

No equilibrium even for central collision at 35 MeV/A in the Sn case.



Upper limit energy for charge equilibration: & influence on exotic nuclei formation



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FIG. 1: Yield distribution of final fragments as a function of their N/Z ratios for the collisions of <sup>208</sup>Pb + <sup>132</sup>Sn (N/Z ratio is discretized by 0.05) based on TDHF calculation (SLy4d). Four cases with different  $E_{cm}/A$  values are presented. Columns corresponding to the equilibrium value of N/Z=1.58 are colored in blue, and connected by red lines. For reference, the N/Z ratios for <sup>208</sup>Pb and <sup>132</sup>Sn are 1.54 and 1.64, respectively.

The peak energy of the yield distribution as a function of N/Z is almost constant at the beginning, and is shifted later with the lowering of peak height. A clear decrease of the yield of charge-equilibrated fragments for Ecm/A 7.0 MeV is noticed. On the other hand, very neutron-rich nuclei with N/Z 2.0 simultaneously start to be produced.

The upper energy limit is 3.66 MeV, fusion appears at Ecm/A = 3.0 MeV (upper panels), and break-up is seen at 4.0 MeV(lower panels). -unstable fragments are emitted only for the bombarding energy higher than the upper-limit; for instance, a small fragment in the lower-right panel is <sup>62</sup>Mn, for which the stable isotope is <sup>55</sup>Mn.

#### Yoritaka lwata et al. :arXiv:1001.0850v1 [nucl-th]

The **upper limit of the energy** in the laboratory frame **for charge equilibration** is expressed as the sum of the kinetic energy for velocity  $v^{F}_{min}$  and the Coulomb energy at touching

Real-time dynamics of charge distribution for  $^{208}$ Pb +  $^{40}$ Ca (SLy4d) is shown for a fixed impact parameter 7.5 fm. The upper and the lower panels show cases with E<sub>cm</sub>/A= 3.0 MeV and 4.0 MeV, respectively.

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## The level density parameter : **Isospin and Temperature effects**

 $\alpha A$ 

 $\alpha A/\exp[$ 



- pairing and shell effects
- surface effects
- deformation and angular momentum
- temperature
- isospin

The level density parameter vanish at high E<sup>\*</sup>, limitingT (rupture of the balance between surface, coulomb and b energies) and with extreme isospin composition? → direct link to EOS



A. Schiller et al. - arxiV:nucl-ex/0302028v1(2003) Evolution of level density step structure

Py parameter:  

$$\rho(E^*,J) = (2J+1) \left(\frac{\hbar^2}{2I}\right)^{3/2} \frac{\sqrt{a}}{12} \frac{\exp(2\sqrt{aU})}{U^2},$$

$$U = E^* - E_{rot}(J) \qquad E_{rot}(J) = \frac{J(J+1)\hbar^2}{2I}$$

$$I = \alpha A$$
Does the level density  
parameter depend on  
isospin?  
S.I. Al-Quraishi et al.- Phys.  
Rev. C63 (2001) 065803 &  
Phys. RevC67, 015803(2003)  

$$\alpha A + \beta A^{2/3}$$

$$\alpha A / \exp[\beta(N-Z)^2]$$

$$\alpha A / \exp[\beta(N-Z)^2 + \gamma(Z-Z_0)^2]$$

$$\alpha A / \exp[(\beta(N-Z)^2 + 1)\gamma(Z-Z_0)^2]$$

$$\alpha A / \exp[(\beta(N-Z)^2 + 1)\gamma(Z-Z_0)^2]$$

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 $\rho(E^*) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{12} \frac{\exp(2\sqrt{aE^*})}{a^{1/4}(E^*)^{5/4}}$ 

## The level density parameter : Isospin and Temperature effects

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## The level density parameter : Isospin and Temperature effects

<sup>58</sup>Ni+<sup>92,100</sup>Mo from 5 to 9 MeV/n (1 MeV/n step)

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EAL: evaporation attraction line where residues are «attracted» due to equal decay width for n & p As one move to n-rich side n-decay width dominates, to p-rich p-decay dominates



Temperature as a function of thermal excitation energy: solid curve from fitted excitation energy dependent level density parameter

a(U)=A/(K+к\*U/A)

Is the dependence on isospin really strong as Al Quraishi predict?







R.J. Charity et al. Phys.Rev.C67,044611(2003)

## Limiting Temperature and Coulomb Instabilities



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FIG. 3. Limiting temperatures as a function of mass numbers for different equations of state in comparison with the phenomenological values (open squares with error bars).



FIG. 3. Limiting temperatures calculated using various Skyrme interactions (Ref. [7]). The experimental result for  $A \approx 125$  (Ref. [11]) is indicated by the dashed line.

Study of  $T_{lim}$  along the  $\beta$ -stability line showed the sensitivness of  $T_{lim}$  from effective nucleon nucleon interactions

Zhuxia Li, Min Liu -arXiv:nucl-th/ 0402067v1(2004)



- New Skyrme forces (e.g. SLy)→ to study properties away from βstability line
- Surface tension (with and without isospin dependence)→ influence on T<sub>lim</sub>



- $T_{lim}$  decrease with the system size, independently on the used force SLY7 & SKM\*  $\rightarrow$  soft EOS, while SIII stiff EOS (much higher  $T_{lim}$ )
- Slight better description with surface tension surf2

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## MASS AND ISOTOPE DEPENDENCE OF **OUTORIE** LIMITING TEMPERATURE FOR HOT NUCLEI



Zhuxia Li, Min Liu -arXiv:nucl-th/0402067v1(2004)

Calculations with Skyrme SLy7 and surf2:

- parabolic shape of isotope distribution of T<sub>lim</sub>
- Centroid not at  $\beta$ -stability value but on n-rich side.





Symmetry term contribute also to the surface tension (surface part of the symmetry term):

if this is taken into account the result **is larger (visible)** on the **n-rich side** only.





### **Coupling FAZIA + INDRA**

Transport properties of isospin asymmetric nuclear matter: neck emission and isospin drift

<sup>40,48</sup>Ca+<sup>40,48</sup>Ca at 15, 25, 35AMeV, <sup>58</sup>Ni+<sup>58</sup>Ni at 30-45AMeV Related to deep-inelastic processes, isospin equilibration and drift; isoscaling for massive ejectiles

#### <sup>78,86</sup>Kr+<sup>40,48</sup>Ca ---> 20-60AMeV

Related to the surface or volume expansion in central collisions



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# FAZIA: → coupling with INDRA & other detectors (GARFIELD etc.)









This is for  $\Delta E$ -E technique, for ions passing-throu the first 300micron Si-layer

WONDERFUL for Intermediate energy experiments!



## FAZIA+GARFIELD+ n (Ripen), ( (Hector\_like) detectors



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# CONCLUSIONS



A long term program concerning **thermodynamic** and **dynamics of hot nuclei** in relation with their chemical composition is forseen by several groups in different energy ranges to study **EOS** and **symmetry energy** dependence on density & temperature This program enters the study of phase transition and nuclear EOS for asymmetric matter. Fundamental basic properties can be extracted like:

Level Density

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Ganil: SPIRAL; SPIRAL2

- Limiting Temperature
- Symmetry Energy Term Stiffness and its influence on different observables (NIMF isospin contents, distillation of isospin, competition between reaction mechanisms etc.)
- Equilibration of various degrees of freedom

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- Decay modes and emission barriers...
- Pre-equilibrium n/p ratios, clustering...



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