

Probing the symmetry energy at low density using observables from neck fragmentation mechanism

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

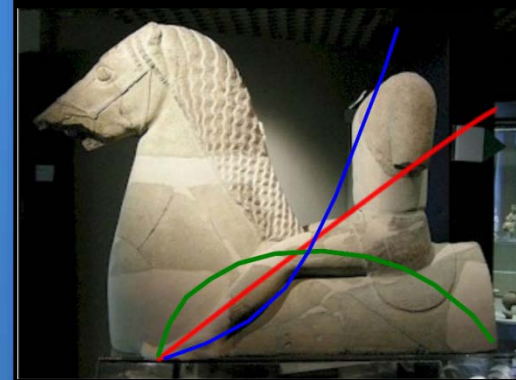
Time scale sequence in midvelocity fragments emission: correlations with the isospin dynamics.

Even-odd effects in light fragments for different production mechanisms

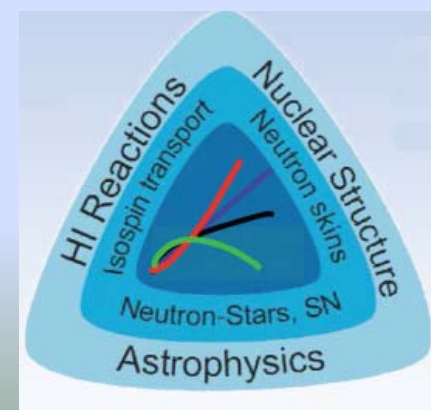
Comparisons with **SMF+GEMINI** calculations. Probing the symmetry energy term of EOS.

New perspectives and plans for the future with the Chimera + Farcos device.

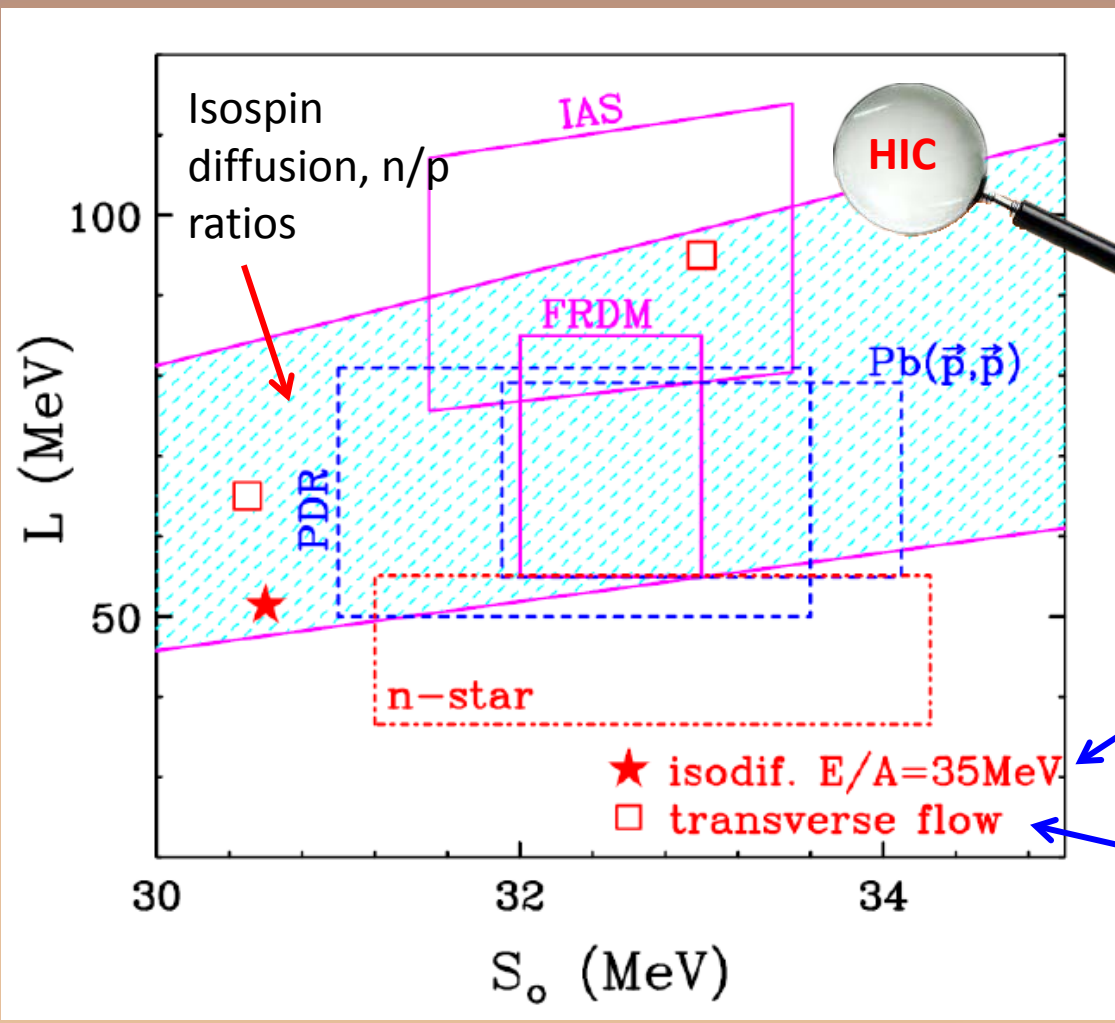
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Constraining the symmetry energy around and below normal nuclear density



M.B. Tsang et al, Phys. Rev. C86, 015893 (2012)

$$S(\rho) = S_0 + \frac{L}{3} \left(\frac{\rho - \rho_0}{\rho_0} \right) + \frac{K_{sym}}{18} \left(\frac{\rho - \rho_0}{\rho_0} \right)^2 + \dots$$

$$E(\rho, \delta) = E(\rho, \delta = 0) + E_{sym}(\rho) \delta^2$$

$$\delta = \frac{\rho_n - \rho_p}{\rho} \quad \text{isospin asymmetry}$$

$$L = 3\rho_0 \frac{dE_{sym}(\rho)}{d\rho} \quad \text{Slope}$$

$$S_0 = E_{sym}(\rho_0) \quad \text{Strenght}$$

MSU-Chimera data: Z.Y. Sun et al. PRC 82 051603(R) 2010

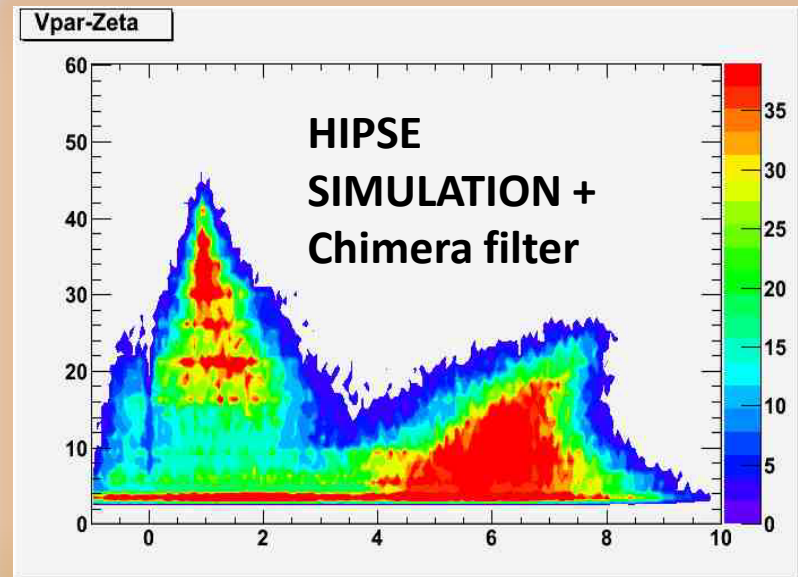
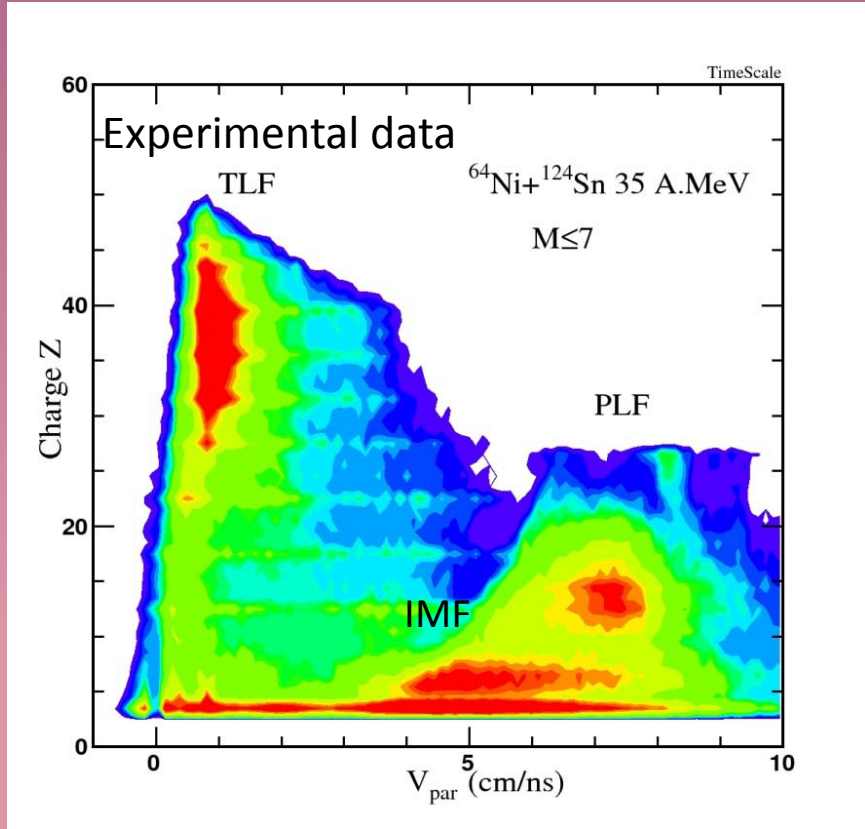
Texas A&M data, Z. Kohley et al., PRC 83, 044601 (2011)

IAS = Isobaric Analog States (Danielewicz/Lee)
PDR = Pygmy dipole resonance (Klimkiewicz et al.)
FRDM = Finite Range Droplet Model (Moller et al.)

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

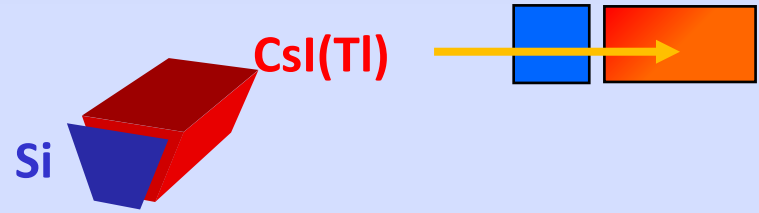
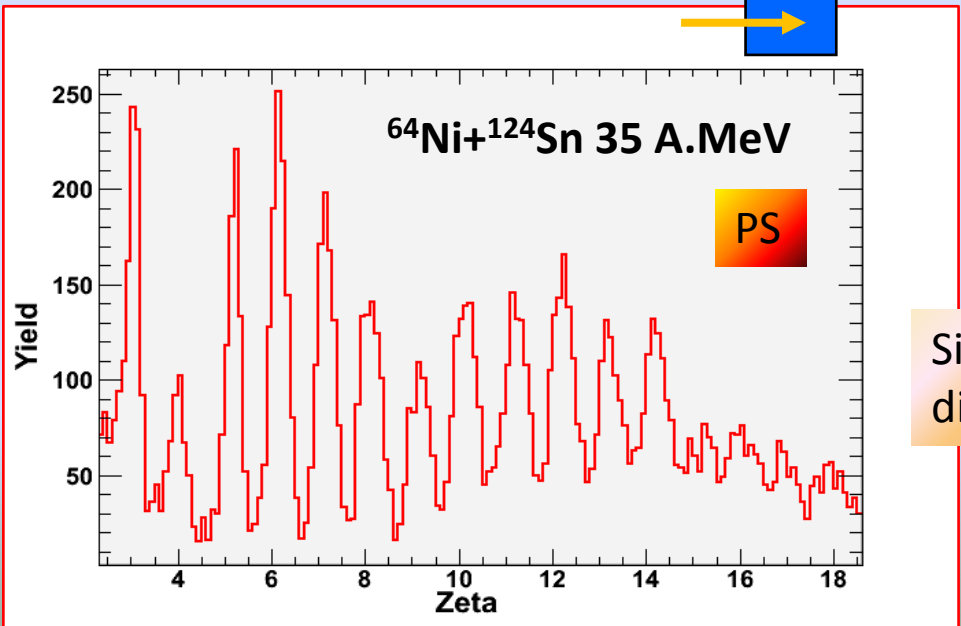
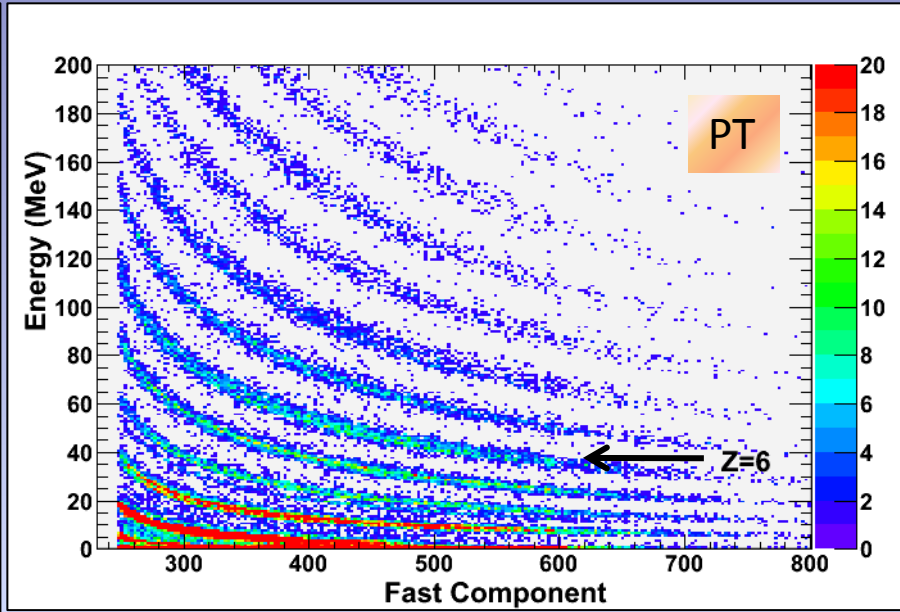
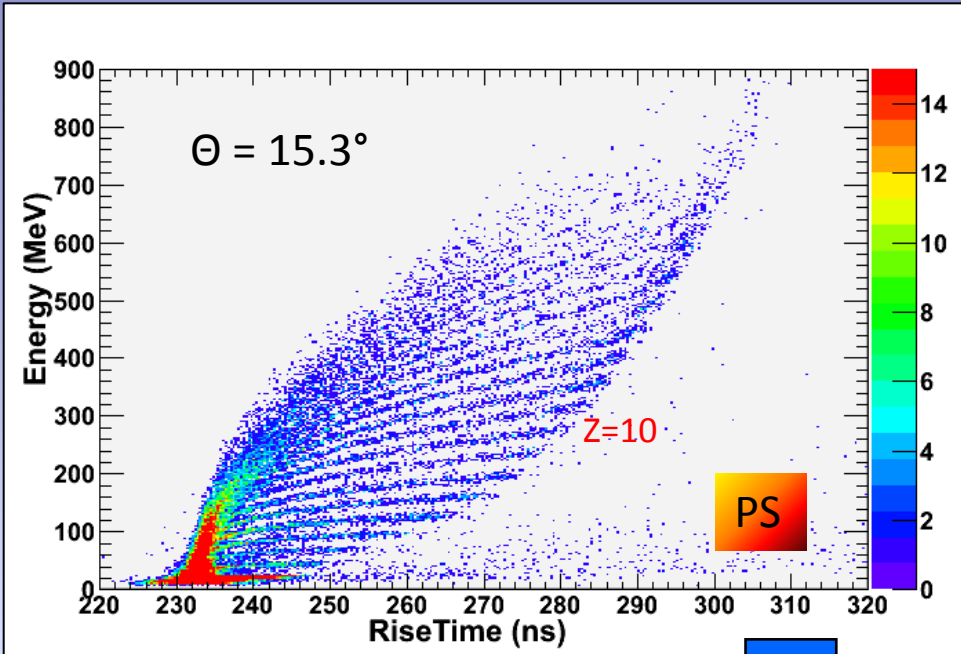


Almost complete events:
 $p/p_{\text{tot}} > 60\%$ $Z/Z_{\text{tot}} > 60\%$
 $M_{\text{tot}} \leq 7$



See also: E.d.F. et al., NN2012 *Conference Proceedings*, S. Antonio (Texas, USA), May 27-June 1 2012, to appear in JPCS.
R. Gianì, *Master thesis* (2012).

PulseShape Analysis in TimeScale experiment



Si-stopped Z distribution

❑ Disentangling dynamic and statistical emission: space-time characterization and correlations.

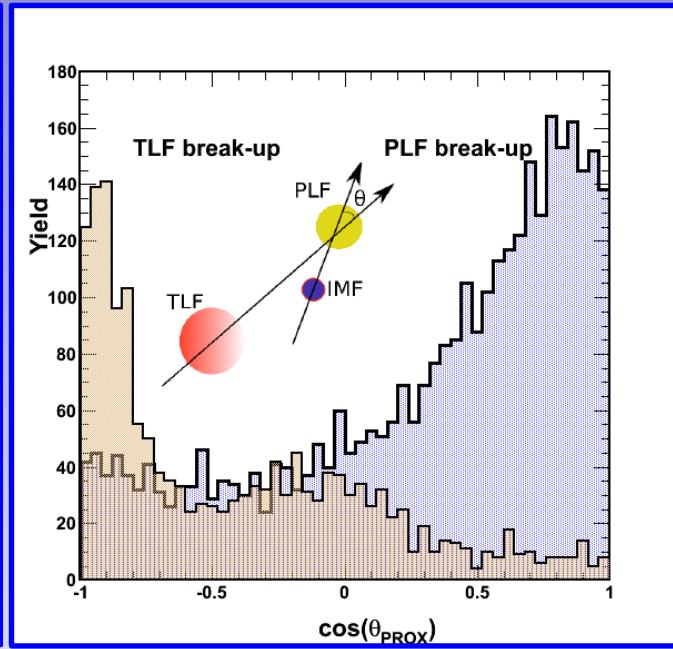
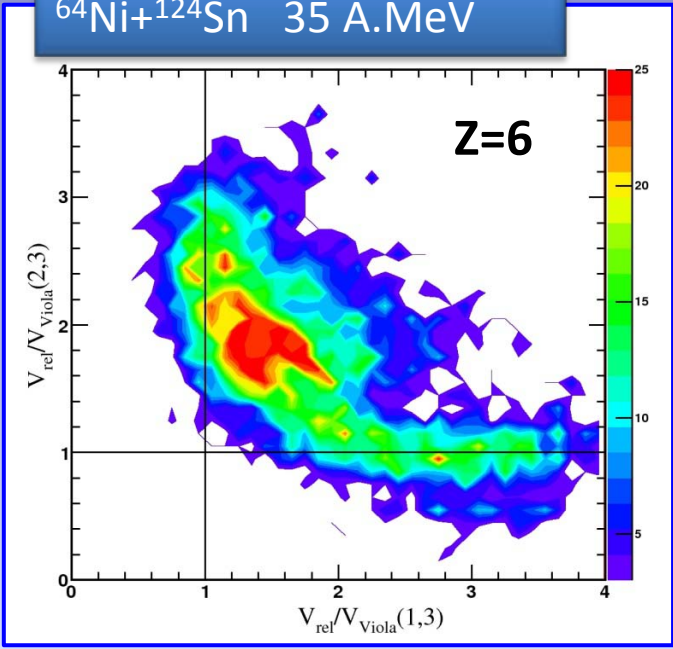
❑ Study of isotopic composition of fragments: isospin migration, neutron enrichment.

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

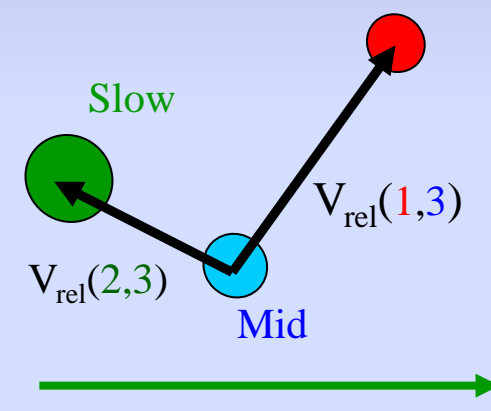
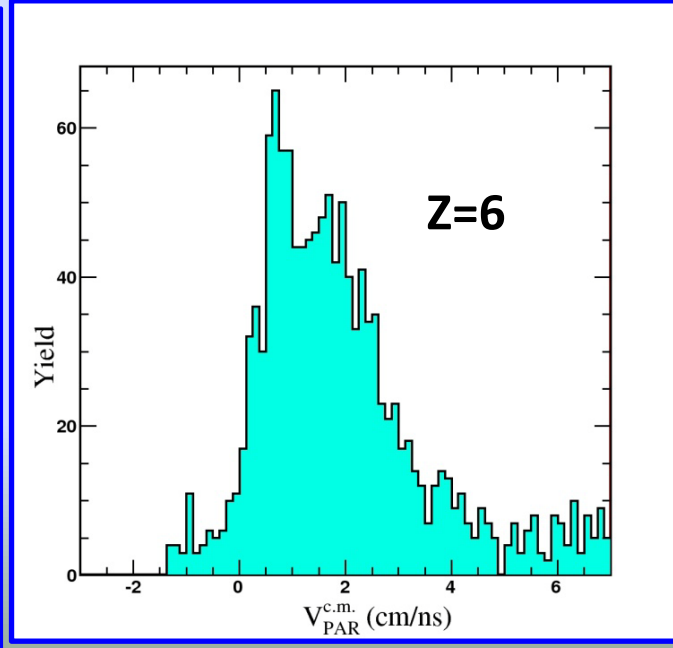
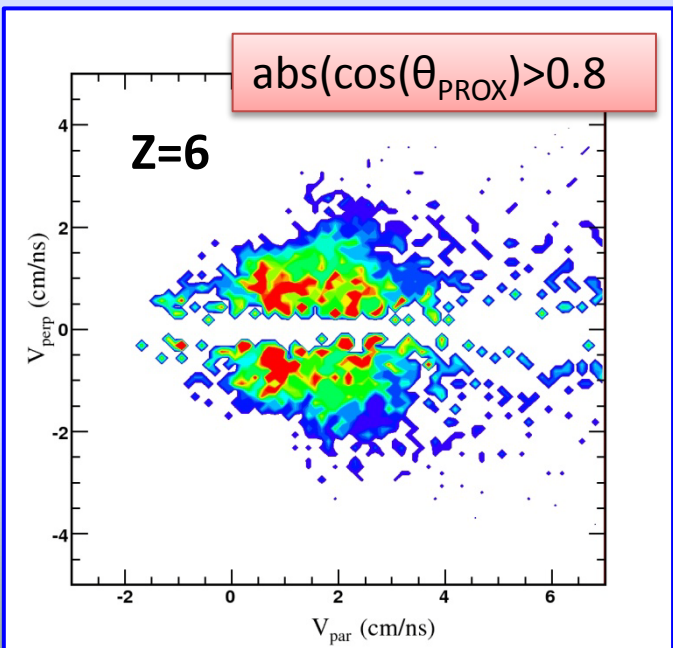
Disentangling dynamical vs. statistical emission in ternary events

preliminary

$^{64}\text{Ni} + ^{124}\text{Sn}$ 35 A.MeV



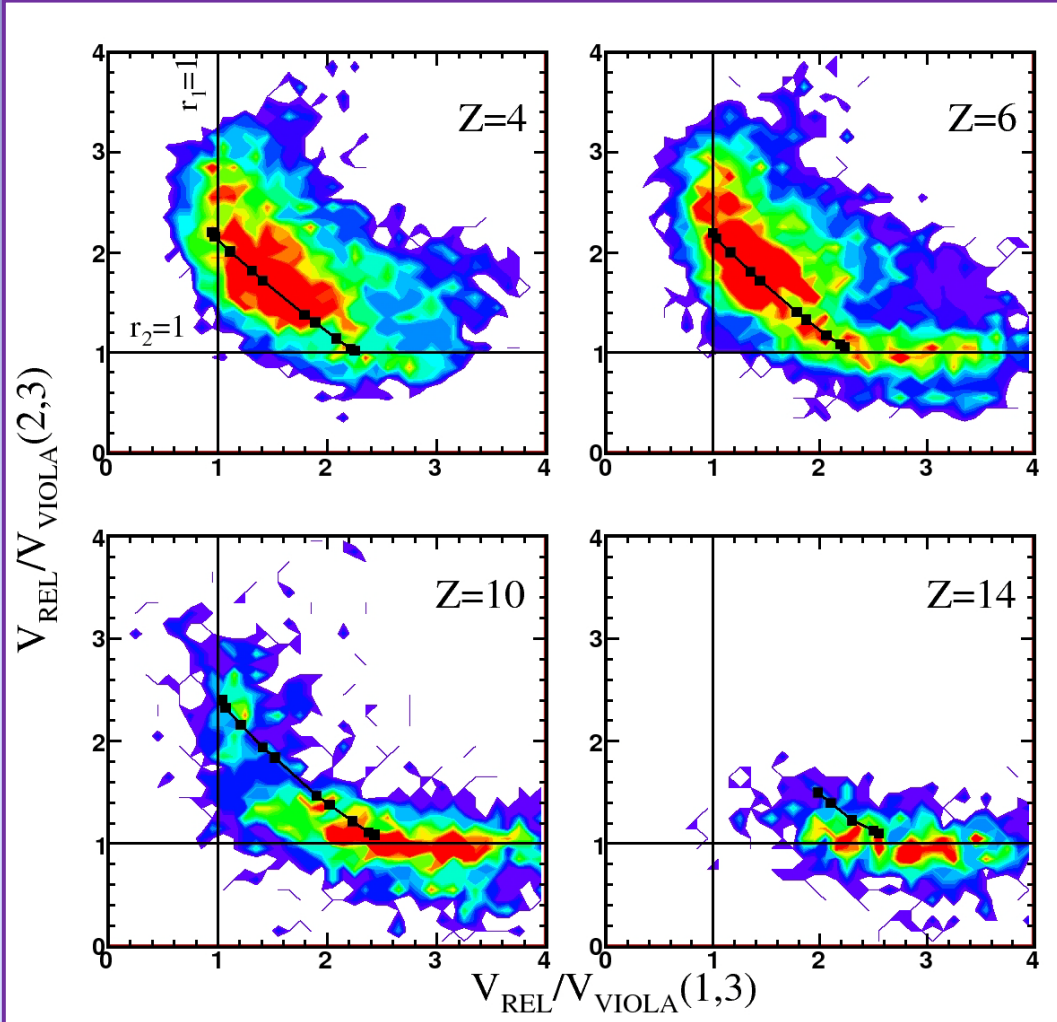
$\cos(\theta) \approx \pm 1$
aligned emission of the lighter fragment in the backward hemisphere of **PLF** (+1) and **TLF** (-1) towards midrapidity



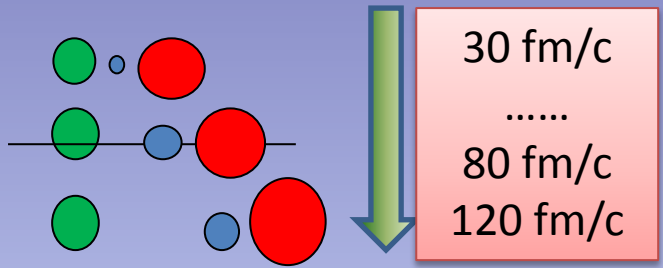
The three heaviest fragments are ordered according to decreasing value of parallel velocity.

3-BODY CORRELATIONS IN TERNARY EVENTS

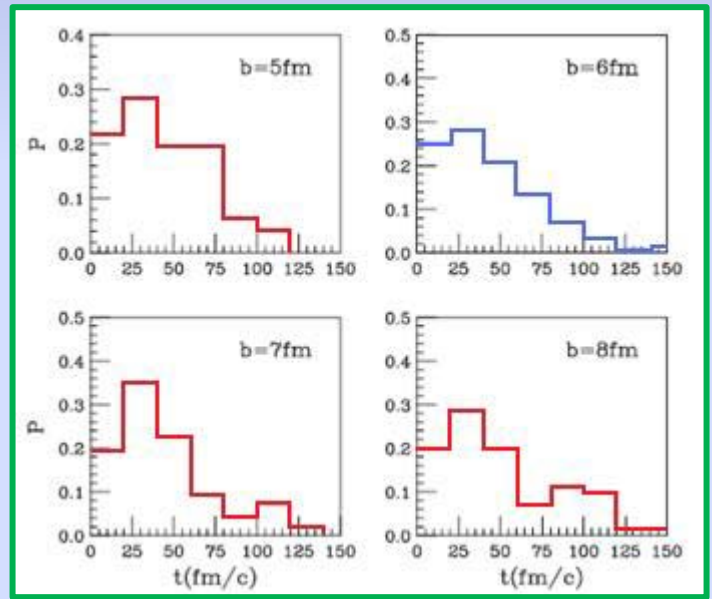
$^{64}\text{Ni} + ^{124}\text{Sn} + 35 \text{ A.MeV}$



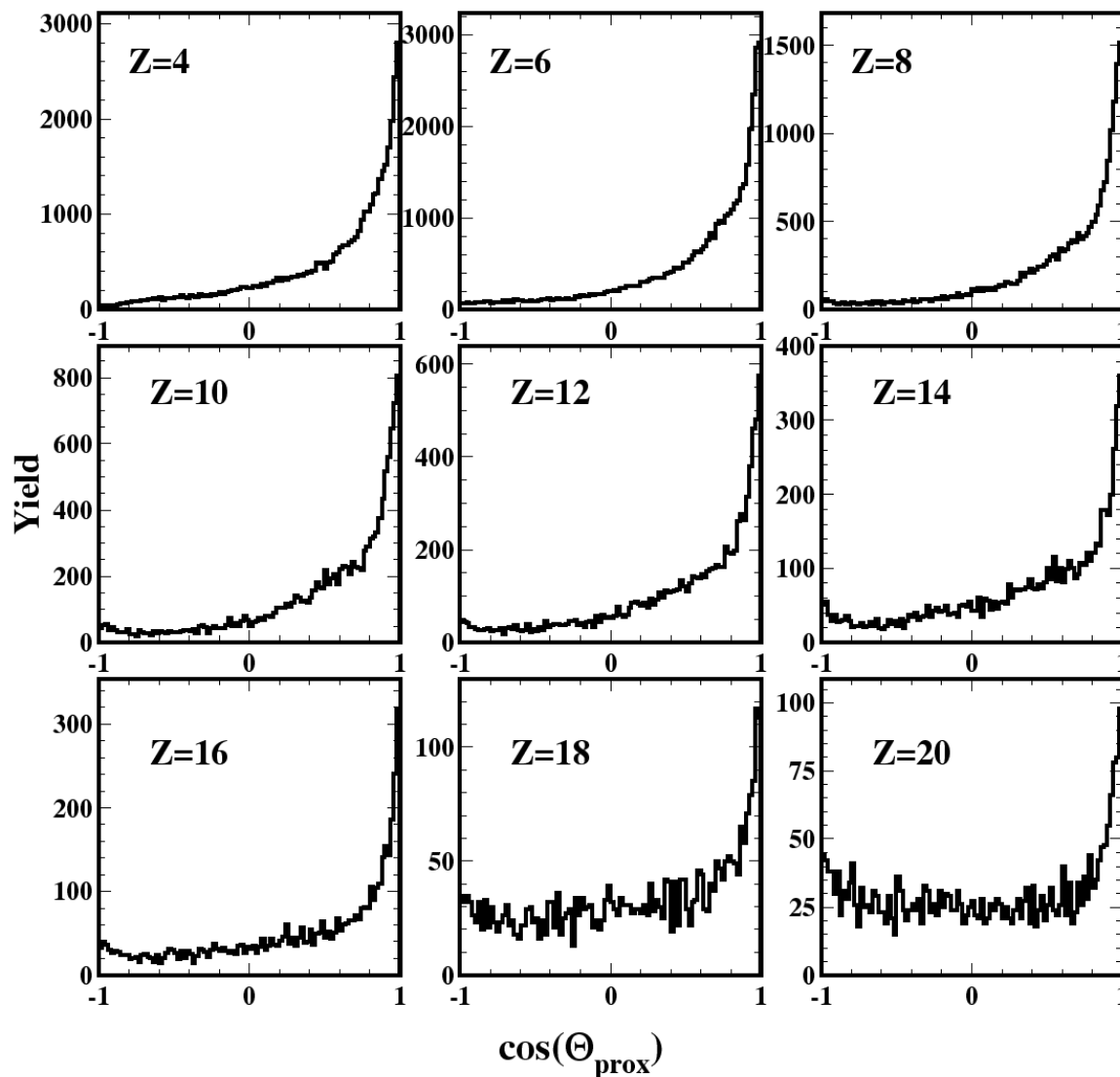
Relative velocities are expressed in units of the velocity corresponding to the Coulomb repulsion energy of a given subsystem according to the Viola systematics (Nucl. Phys. A472, 318 (1987)).



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

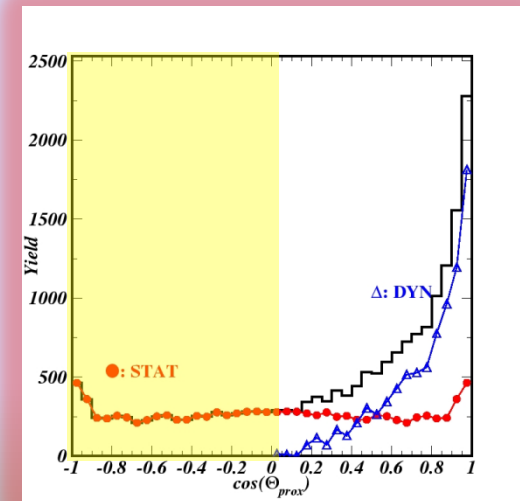


SMF: $^{124}\text{Sn} + ^{64}\text{Ni}$ probability of scission-to-scission time in neck fragmentation. *V. Baran et al. Phys. Rep 410, 335 (2005)*

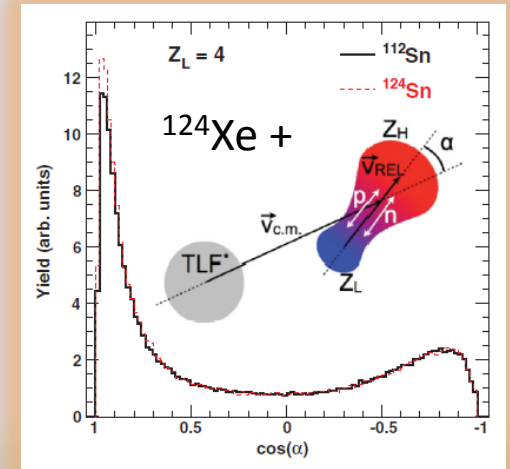
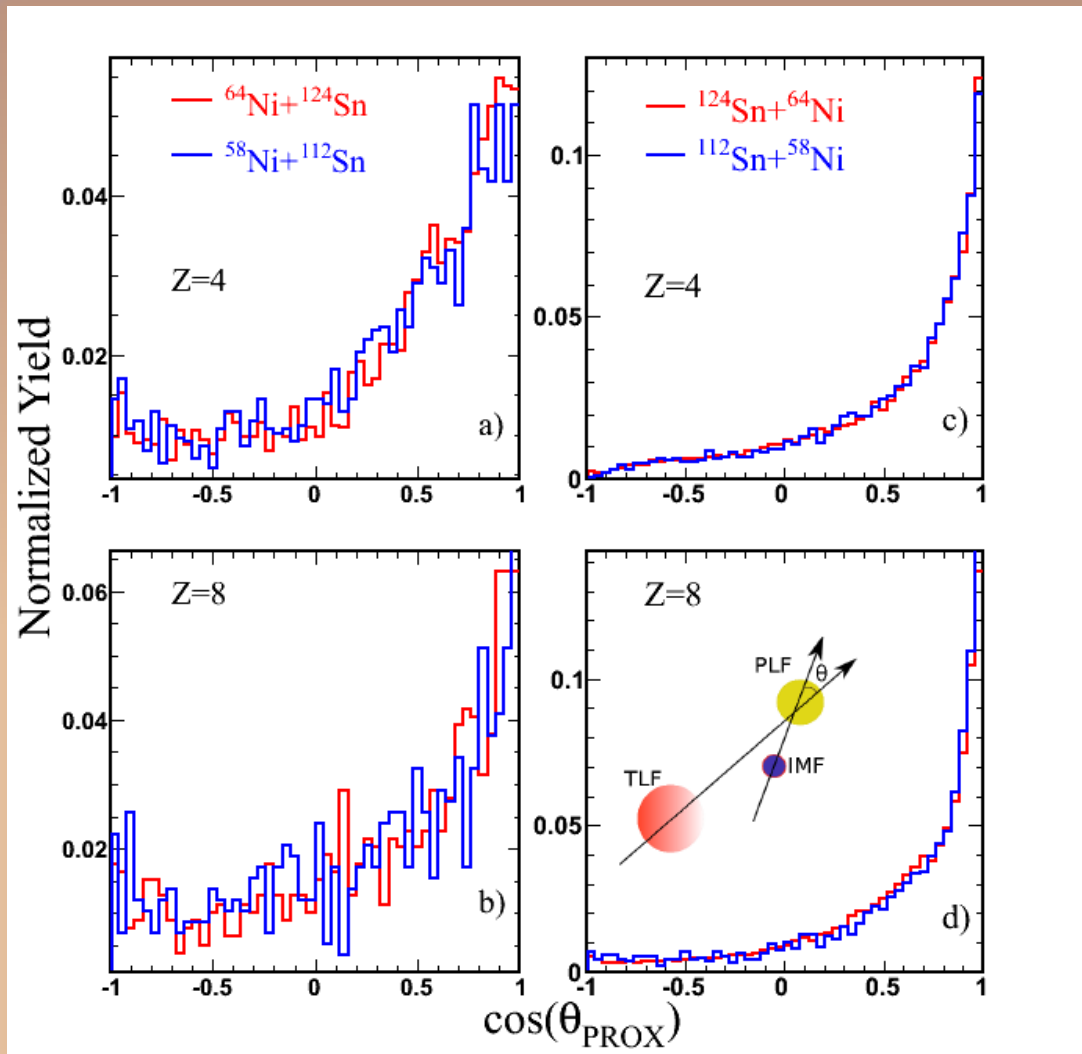


$\cos(\Theta_{\text{prox}})$
distribution for
different IMFs.

They can be seen as
a superposition of a
forward/backward
symmetric
distribution and an
asymmetric one.



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

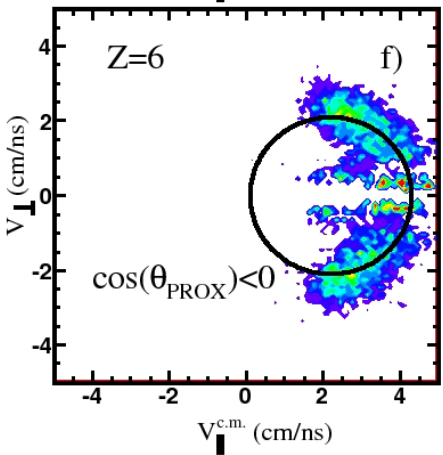
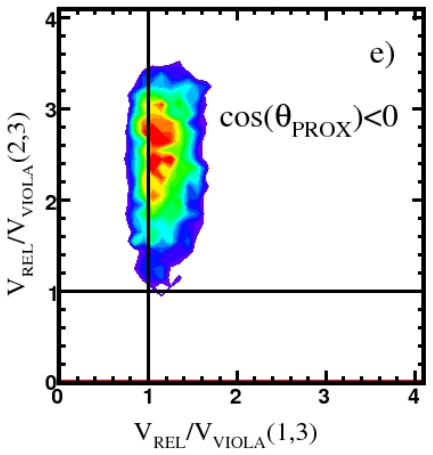
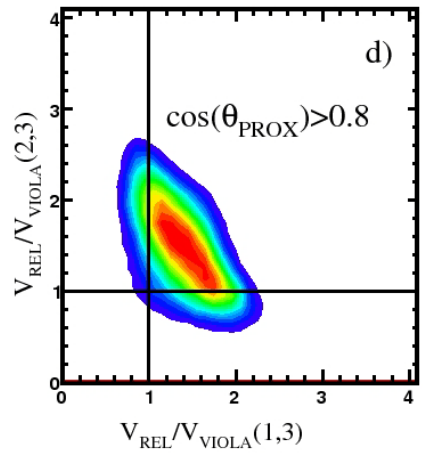
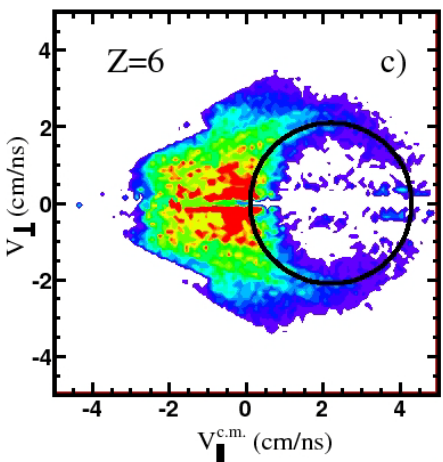
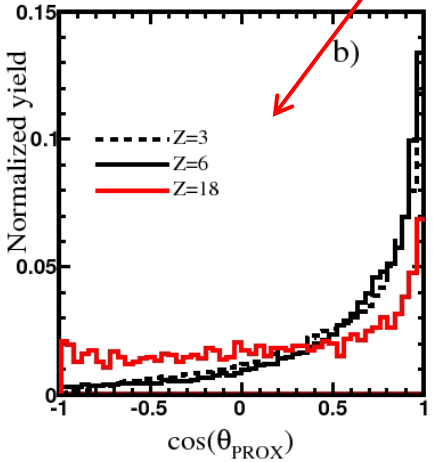
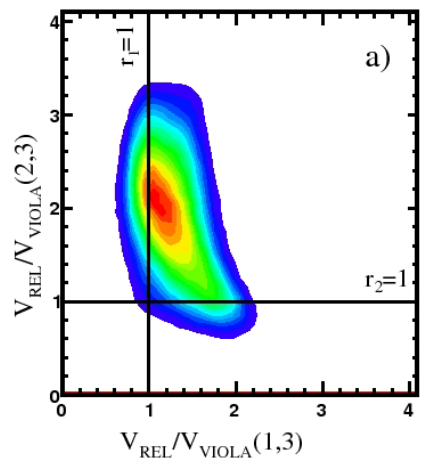


See E.d.F. et al, NN2012 Conference Proceedings, S. Antonio (Texas, USA), May 27-June 1 2012, to appear in JPCS.

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

**Experimental method:
Data Analysis on $^{124}\text{Sn}+^{64}\text{Ni}$
at 35 A.MeV**

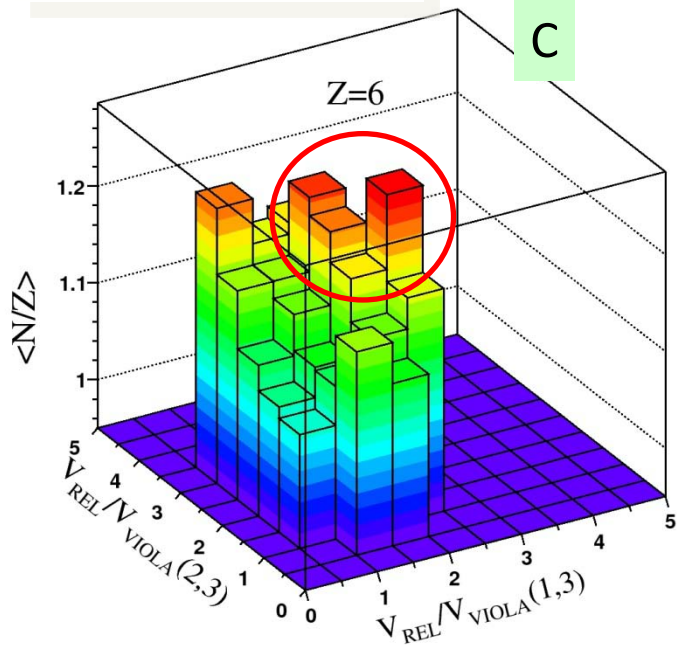
θ_{prox} : angle between the direction of the PLF velocity and the breakup axis.



Correlations with IMFs isotopic properties

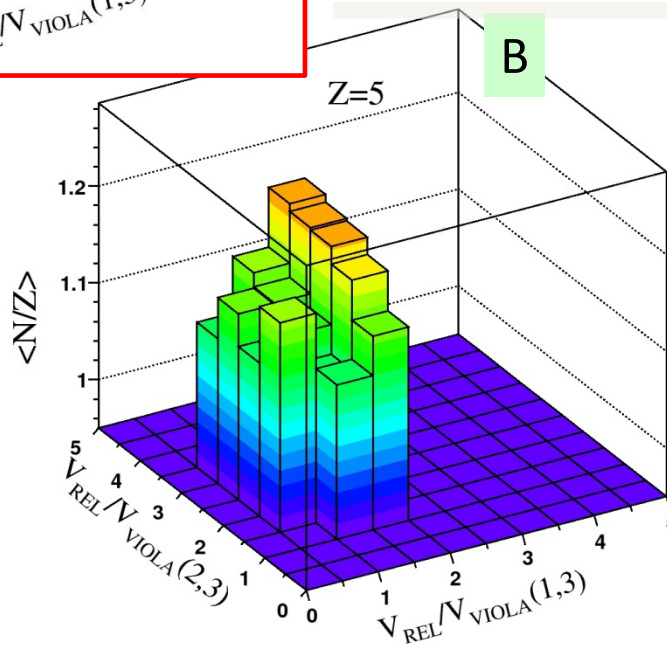
$^{124}\text{Sn} + ^{64}\text{Ni}$ 35 A.MeV

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$^{112}\text{Sn} + ^{58}\text{Ni}$ 35 A.MeV

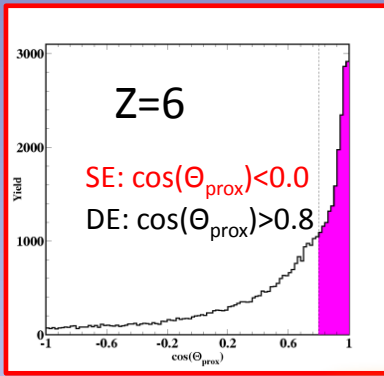
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In order to study correlations between fragments formation dynamics and fragments isotopic composition we have plotted $\langle N/Z \rangle$ for different bins in the $V_{\text{REL}}/V_{\text{VIOLA}}(\text{PLF-IMF}) - V_{\text{REL}}/V_{\text{VIOLA}}(\text{TLF-IMF})$ plane

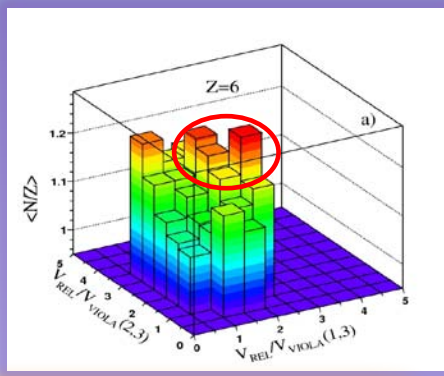
The correlation shows for both the system studied that the greatest neutron enrichment is linked to greater deviations from Viola systematics.

Neck neutron enrichment; reduction of “staggering” odd-even effects

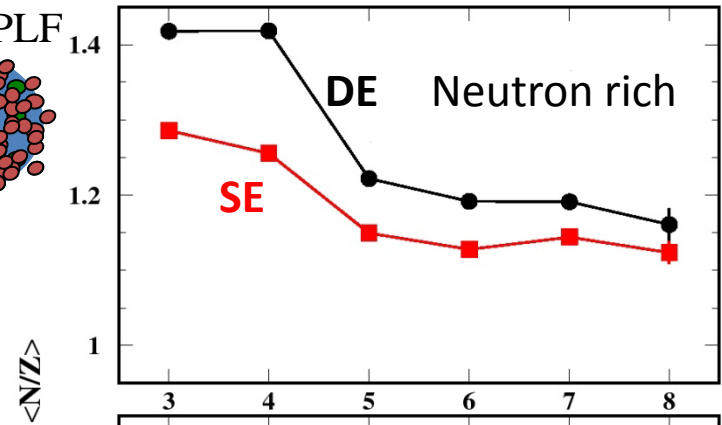
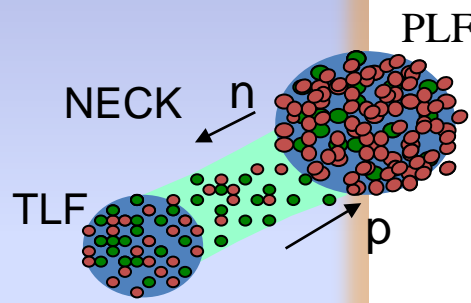


(1) Condition on $\cos(\Theta_{prox})$

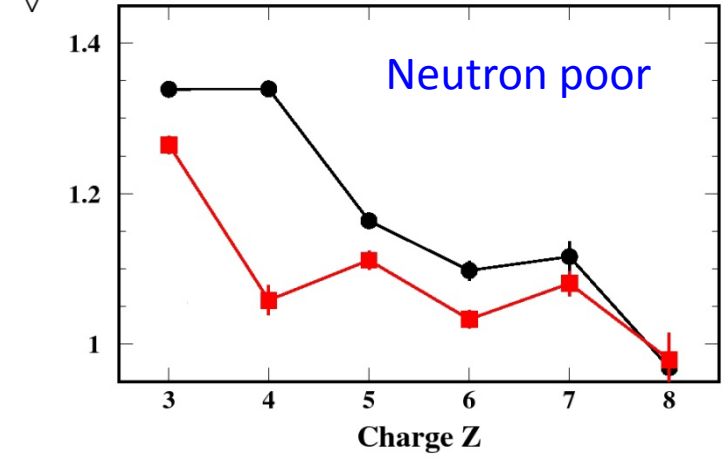
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(2) Condition on V_{rel} plot

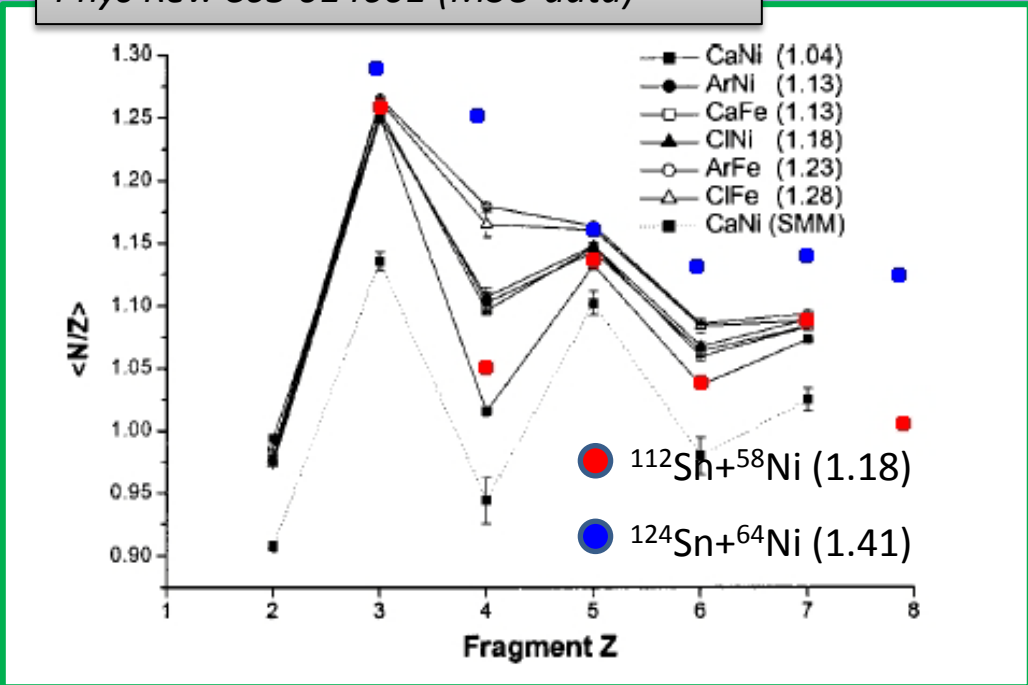


DE = Dynamical emitted
SE = Statistical emitted



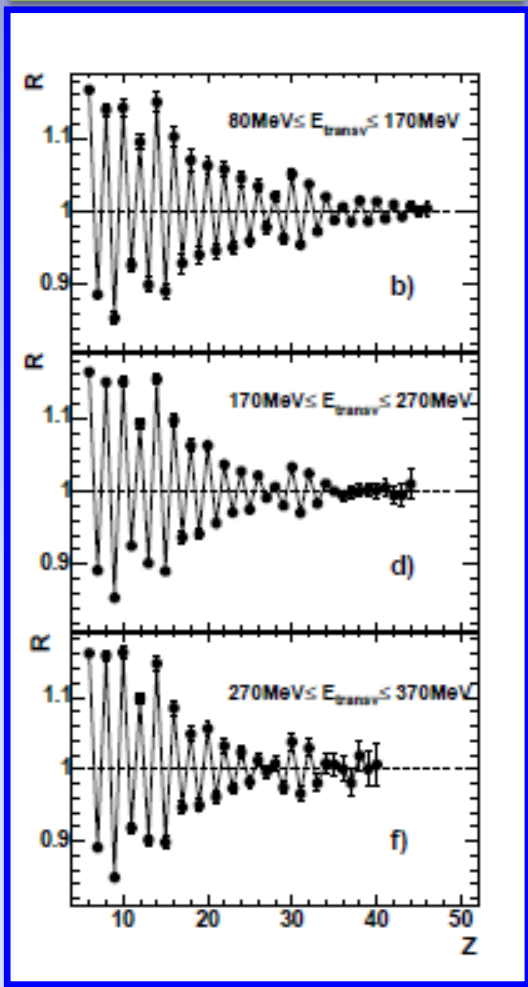
Even-odd effects on Z and N distributions of light fragments

Adapted from E.M. Winchester et al.
 Phys Rev. C63 014601 (MSU data)



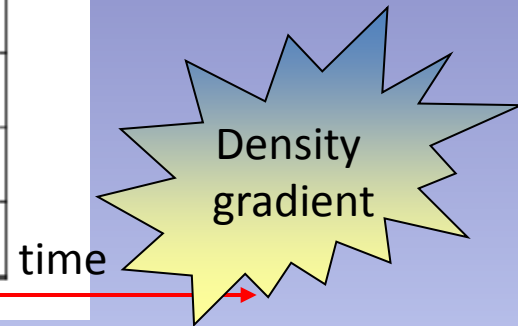
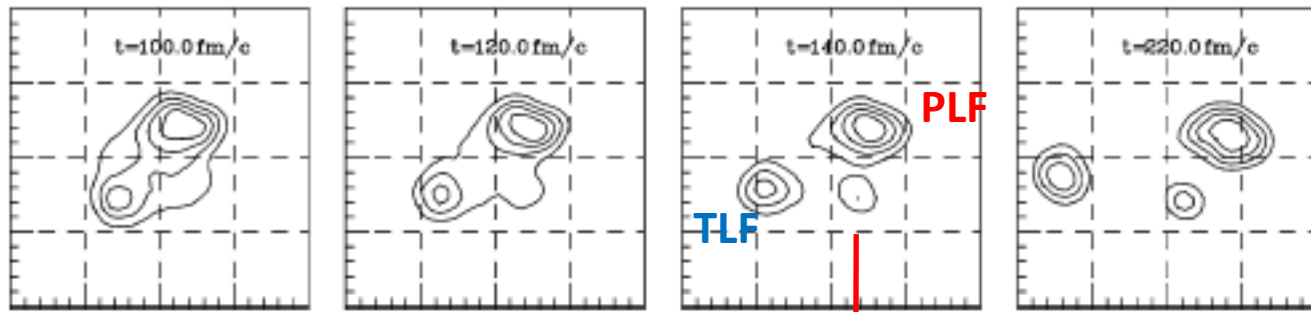
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$^{112}\text{Sn} + ^{58}\text{Ni}$ 35 A.MeV



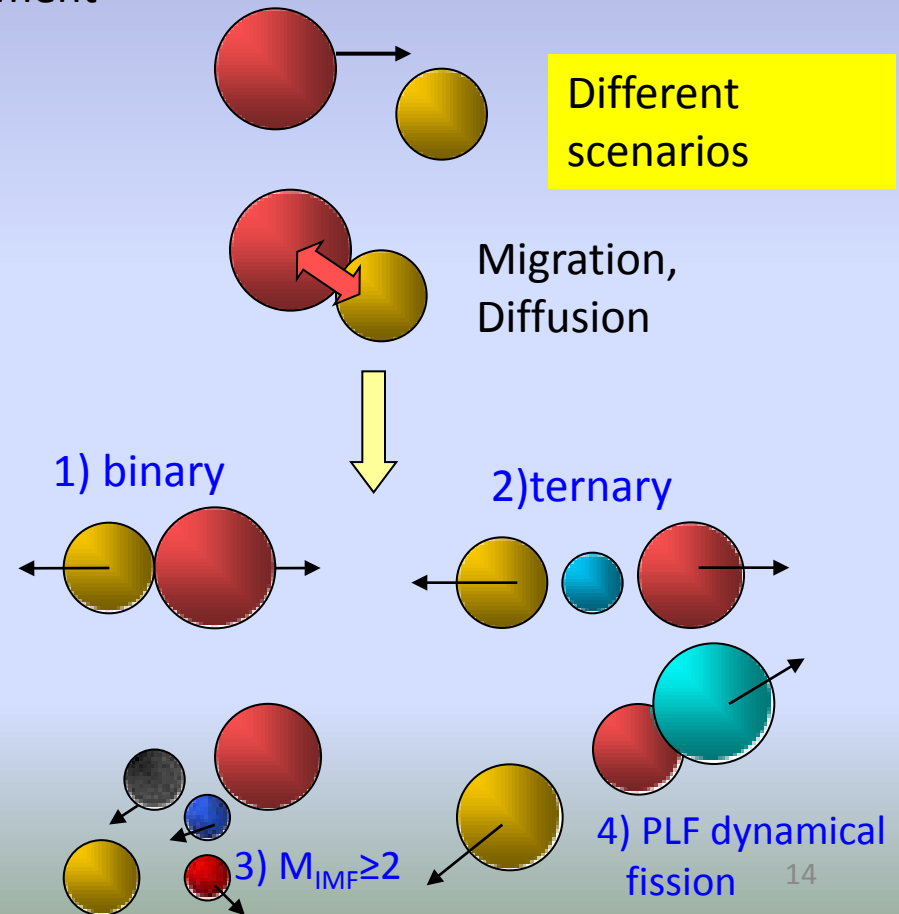
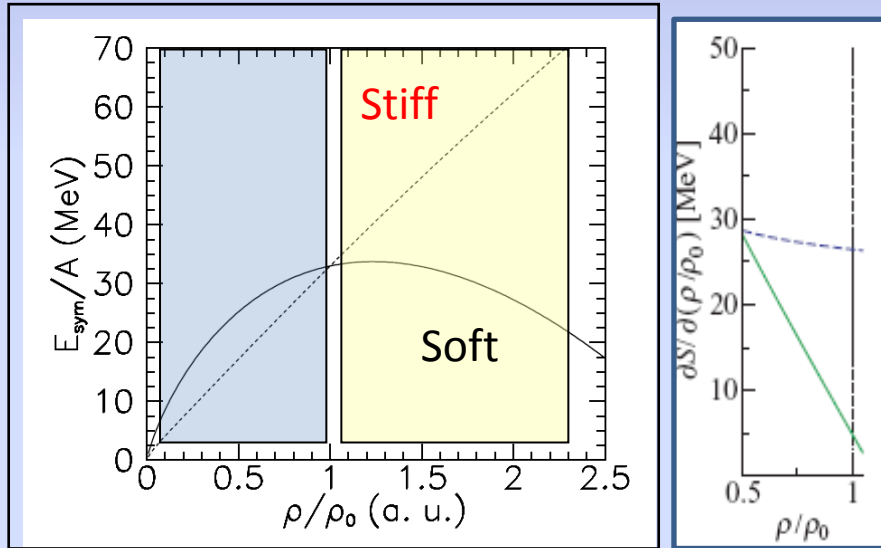
G. Casini et al. Phys Rev C86 011602(R)
 2012 (Chimera-Nucleus collaboration)

Midvelocity emission: NECK emission and Isospin drift



$^{124}\text{Sn} + ^{64}\text{Ni}$
35 A.MeV

Neck fragment

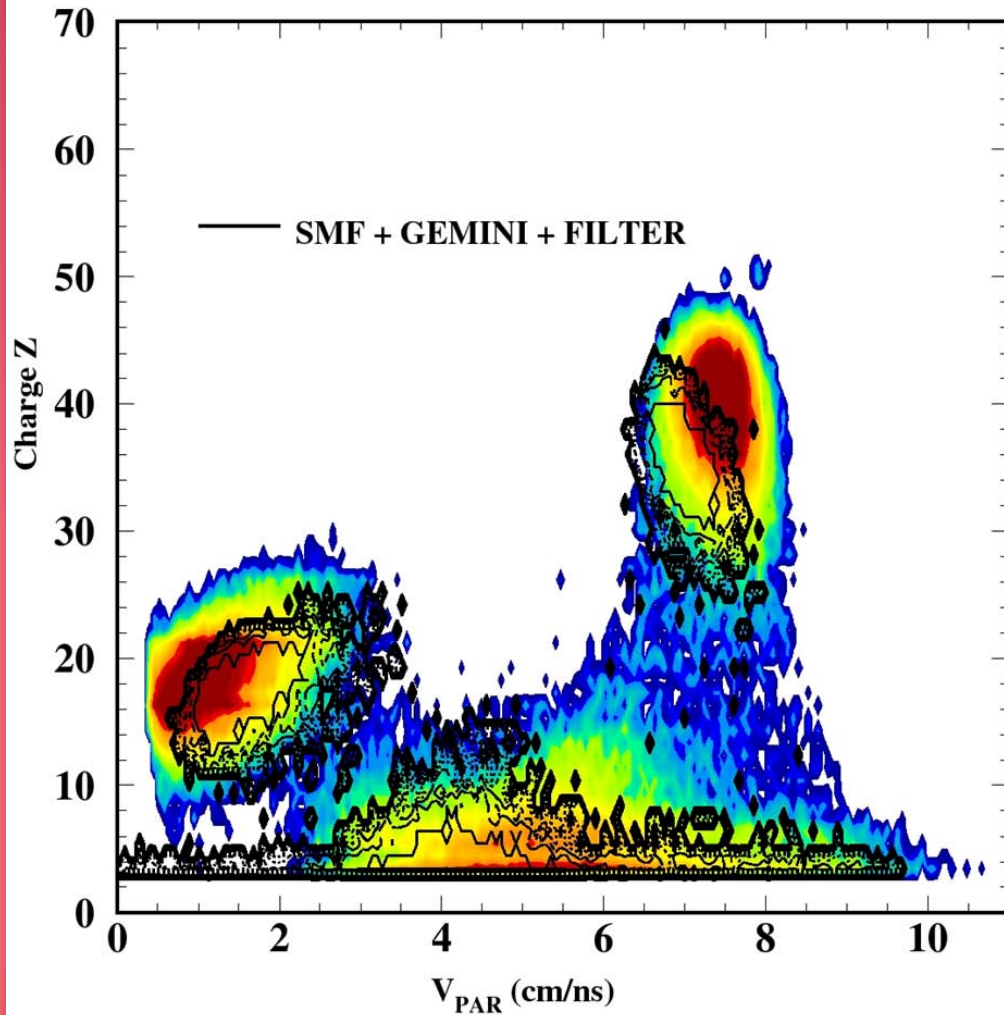


$$j_n - j_p \propto E_{sym}(\rho) \nabla I + \frac{\partial E_{sym}(\rho)}{\partial \rho} I \nabla \rho$$

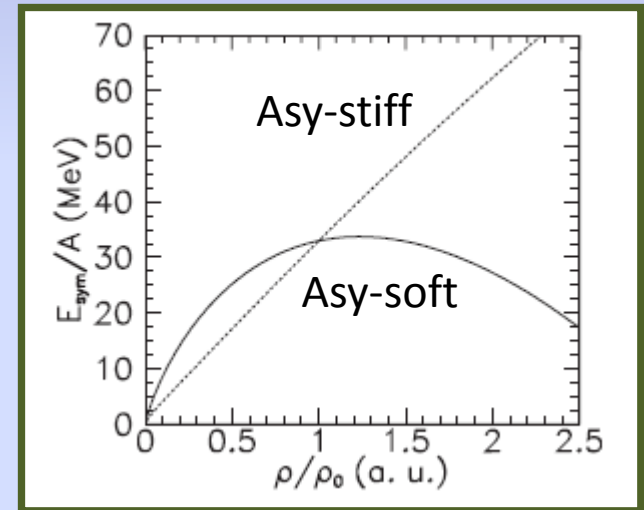
diffusion

migration

Stochastic Mean Field (SMF) + GEMINI

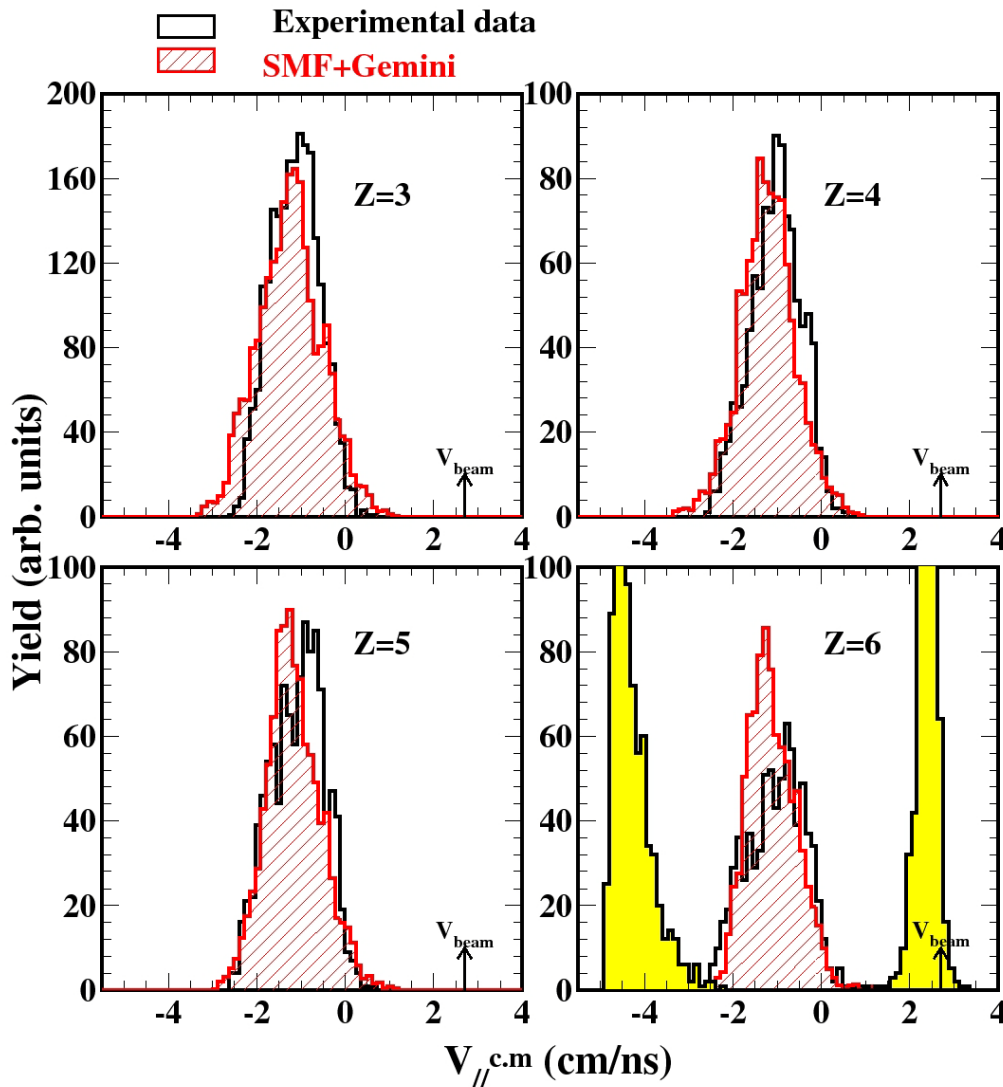


SMF is a stochastic mean field microscopic approach that describe the evolution of systems via a transport equation (of the Boltzmann-Nordheim-Vlasov type) with a stochastic fluctuating term that takes into account the dynamics of fluctuations. (see for example V. Baran et al. Nucl. Phys. A730 329 (2004)).



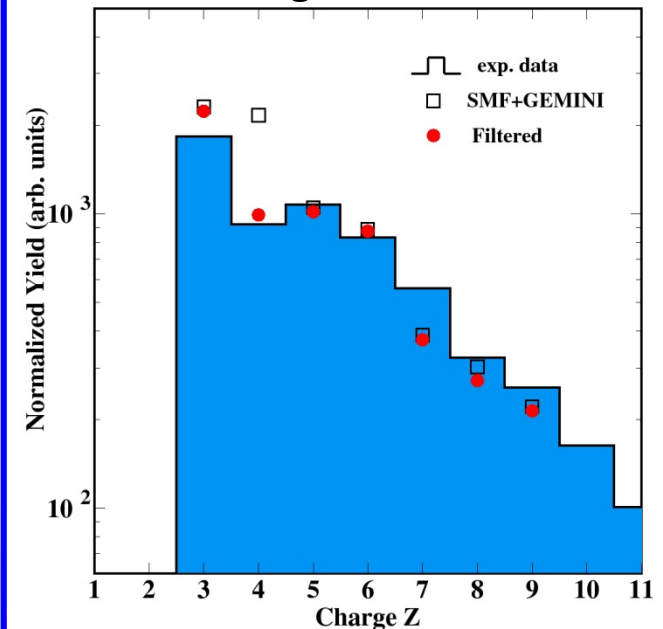
In these calculations: $L = 3\rho_0 \left(\frac{dE_{sym}(\rho)}{d\rho} \right)_{\rho=\rho_0} = \begin{matrix} \approx 80 \text{ MeV for the asy-stiff} \\ \approx 25 \text{ MeV for the asy-soft} \end{matrix}$

Stochastic Mean Field (SMF) + GEMINI: IMFs $V_{//}$ spectra

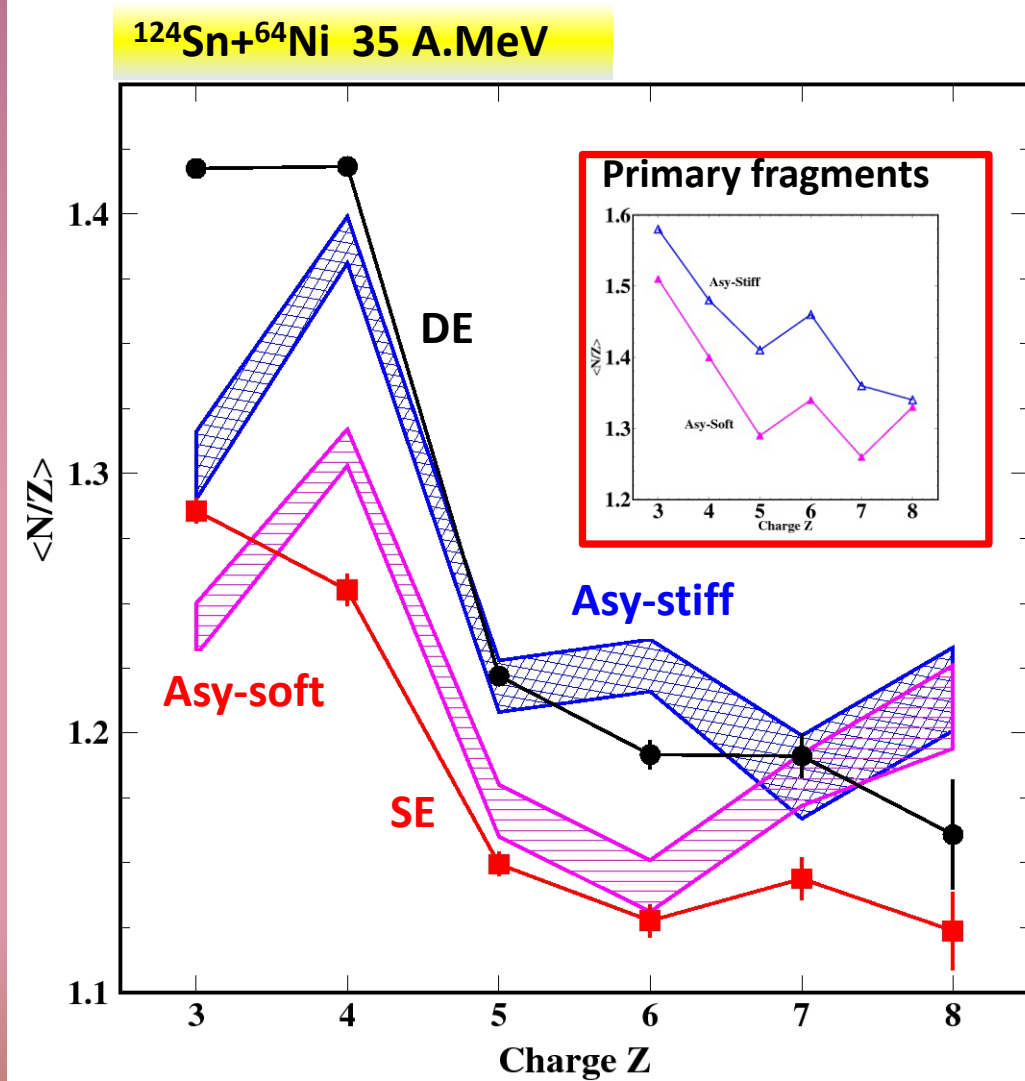


Calculated distributions are filtered by detectors acceptance, thresholds, time-of-flight experimental resolution.

IMFs charge distributions



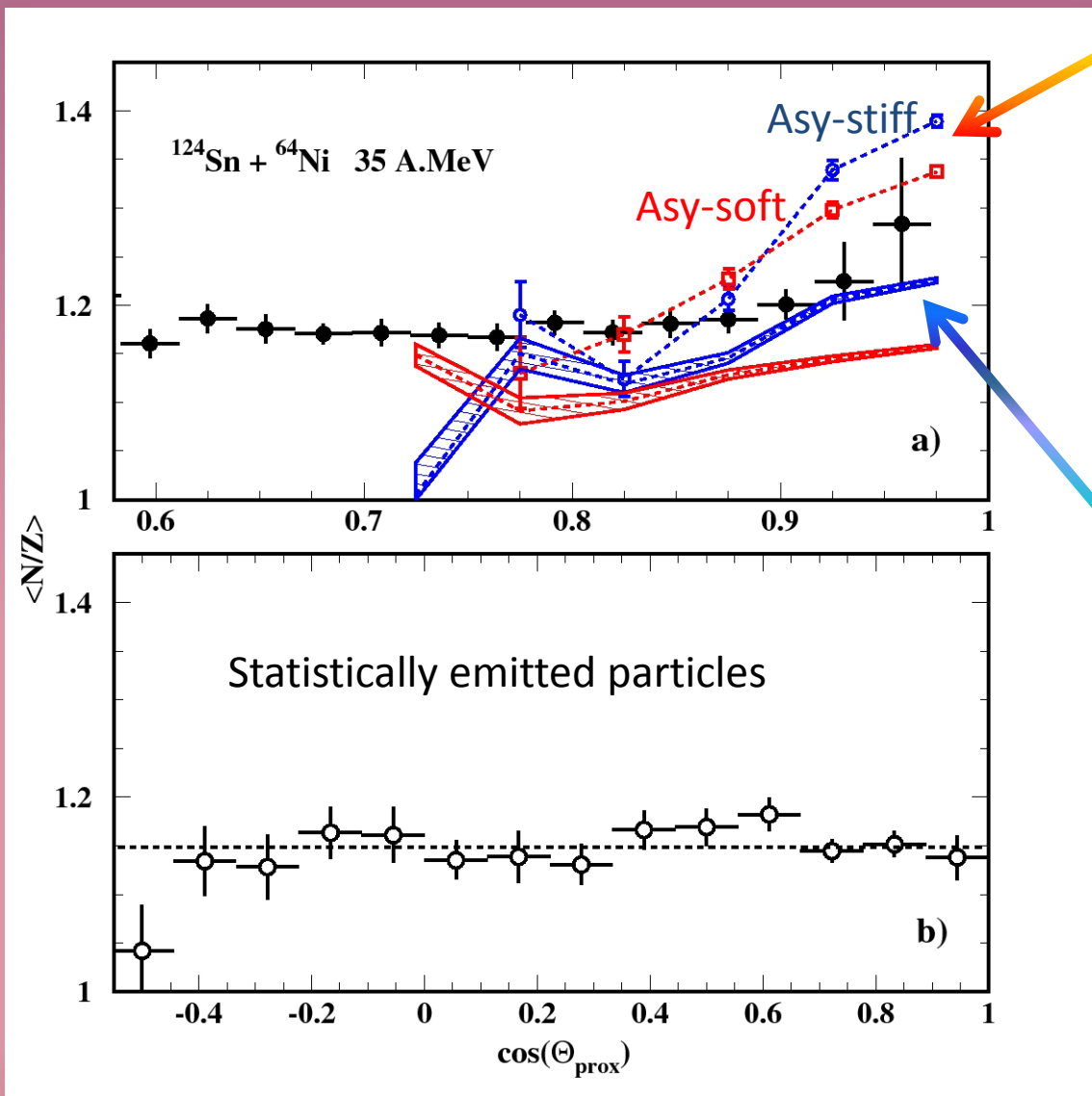
Stochastic Mean Field (SMF) + GEMINI calculation



Experimental $\langle N/Z \rangle$ distribution of IMFs as a function of their atomic number compared with results of **SMF** (insert) and **SMF+GEMINI** calculations (hatched area) for two different parametrizations of the symmetry potential (**asy-soft** and **asy-stiff**)

- Dynamically emitted particles
- Statistically emitted particles

Correlations between “isotopic” and “kinematical” observables



SMF (primary)

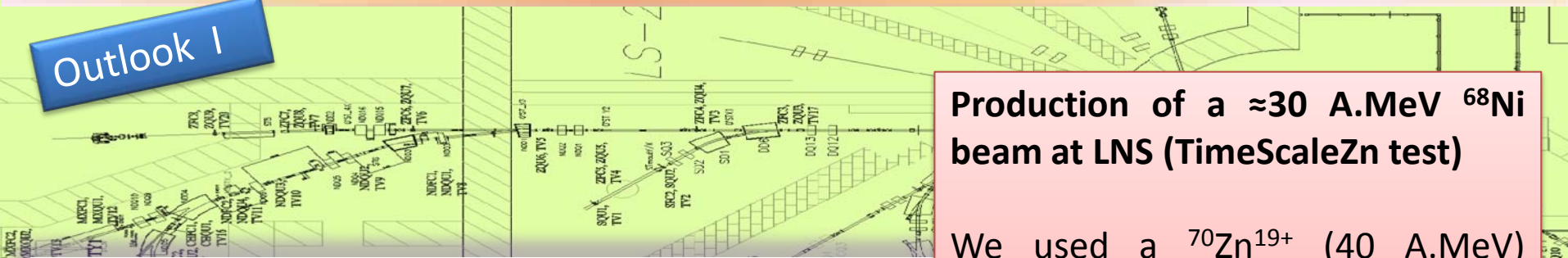
$\langle N/Z \rangle$ as a function of $\cos(\theta_{\text{prox}})$ for charges $5 \leq Z \leq 8$

Experimental data (●)

SMF + GEMINI

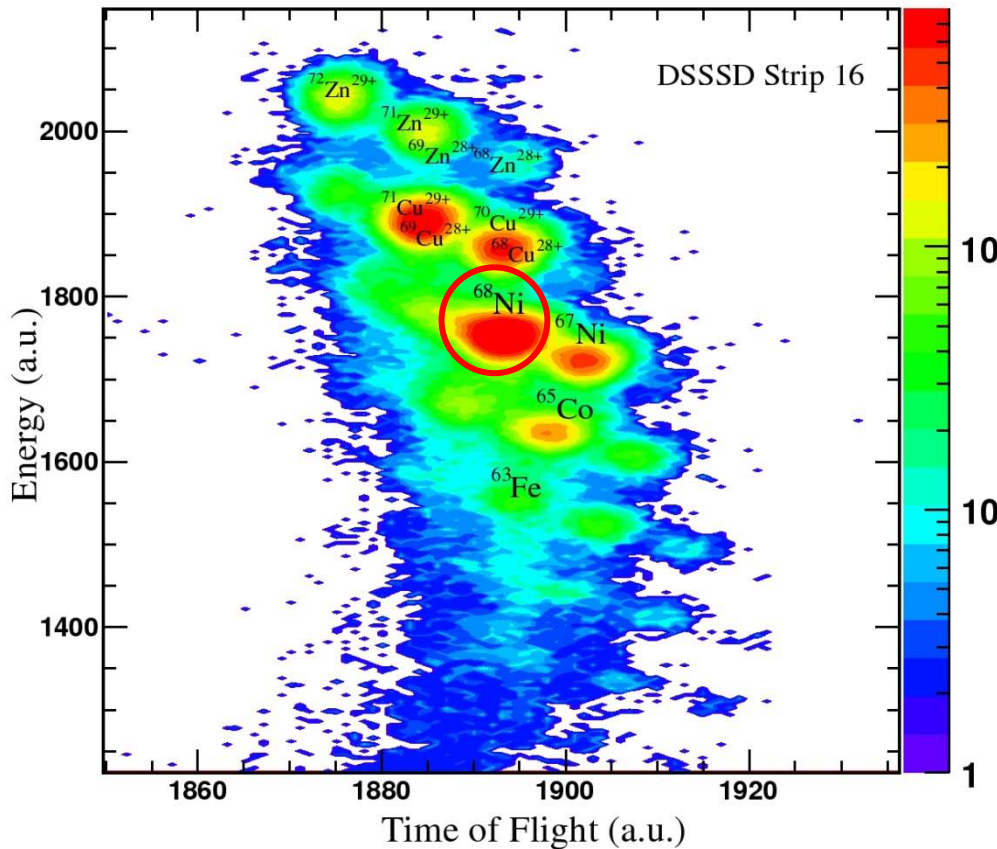
Exotic beams: ^{68}Ni production with ^{70}Zn primary beam

Outlook I



Production of a ≈ 30 A.MeV ^{68}Ni beam at LNS (TimeScaleZn test)

We used a $^{70}\text{Zn}^{19+}$ (40 A.MeV) primary beam impinging on a $250 \mu\text{m}$ ^9Be target. The maximum intensity obtained for the primary beam was ≈ 300 enA (0.03 kW)

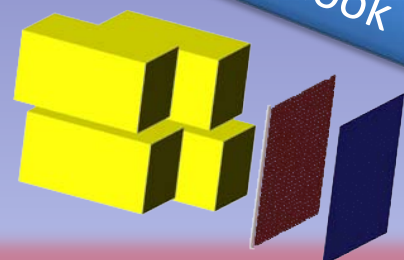


Beams identification was obtained using the CHIMERA-IFEB **tagging system** constituted by a large surface MicroChannel plate followed by a Double Side 32×32 Silicon Strip Detector (DSSSD)

The production rate was 7 KHz / 30 Watt; reaching 100 Watt of primary beam current, we could obtain 2×10^4 pps rate (Lise++ prediction is 5×10^4 pps / 0.1 kW)

The Farcos correlator

Outlook II



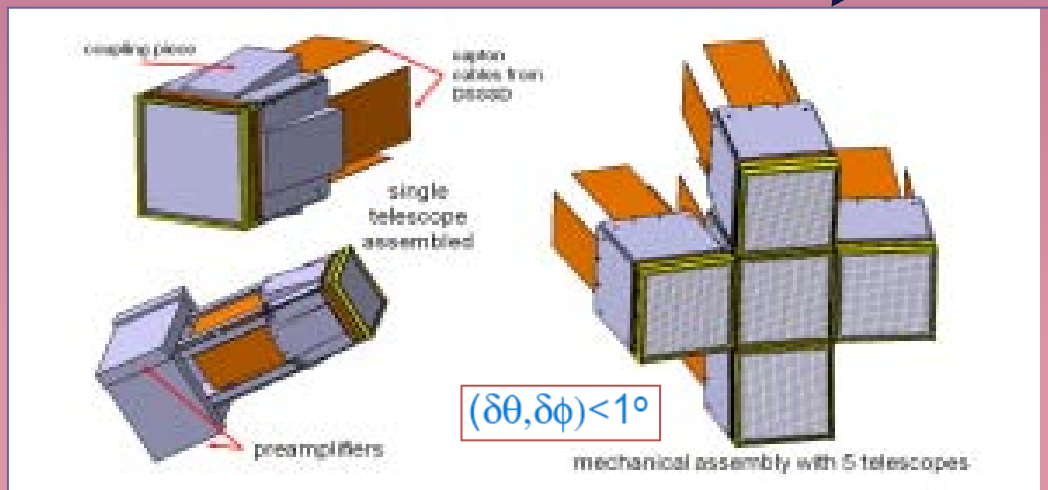
Physics case: dynamics and spectroscopy

Correlation and “Imaging” in heavy-ion collisions-
(intermediate and relativistic energy)

Space-time characterization
Sizes, lifetimes, volumes, densities
Probing the symmetry energy

Spectroscopy of exotic nuclei
Direct and break-up reactions

MPCS: Multi-Particle Correlation Spectroscopy



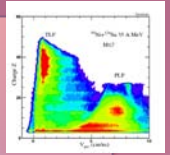
Event characterization required ==> mandatory coupling to 4π

FARCOS demonstrator 3 clusters (first experiments next year)
FARCOS final configuration 20 clusters

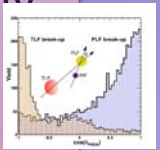
SUMMARY



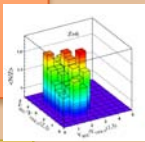
We have studied with the 4π detector CHIMERA the two reactions $^{64,58}\text{Ni} + ^{124,112}\text{Sn}$ and $^{124,112}\text{Sn} + ^{64,58}\text{Ni}$ at the same energy of relative motion (35 A.MeV)



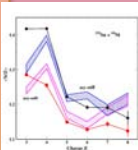
We have introduced a method to disentangle sequential from dynamically emitted particles at midrapidity and we have correlated the isotopic composition of Intermediate mass fragments with their emission timescale. Dynamically emitted IMF shows larger values of $\langle N/Z \rangle$ isospin asymmetry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



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 $E_{SYM}(\rho)$ behaviour with $L \approx 80$, corresponding to a linear density dependence, better reproduces the data.



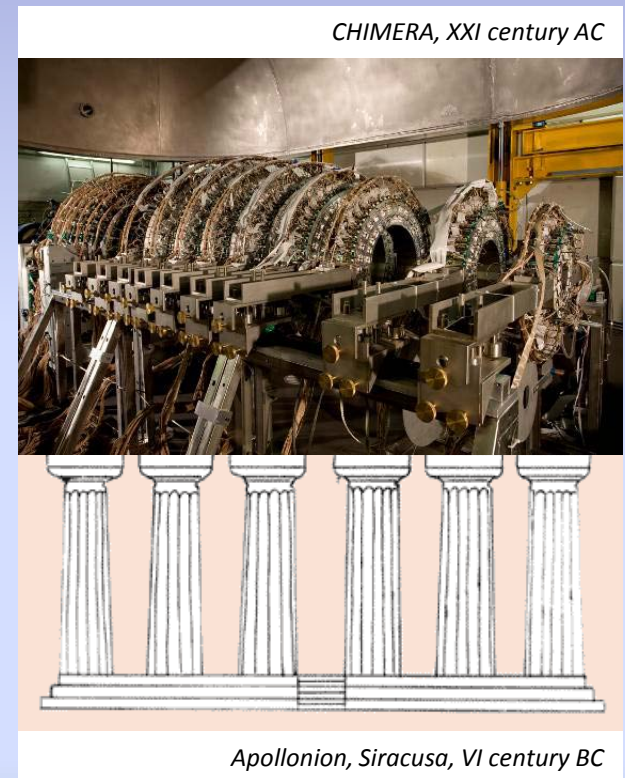
New experiment proposed to the next LNS PAC 2012: $^{124}\text{Xe} + ^{64}\text{Zn}$ as compared with $^{124}\text{Sn} + ^{64}\text{Ni}$ at 35 A.MeV; Study of Mass vs. Isospin effects with Chimera+Faros prototype.



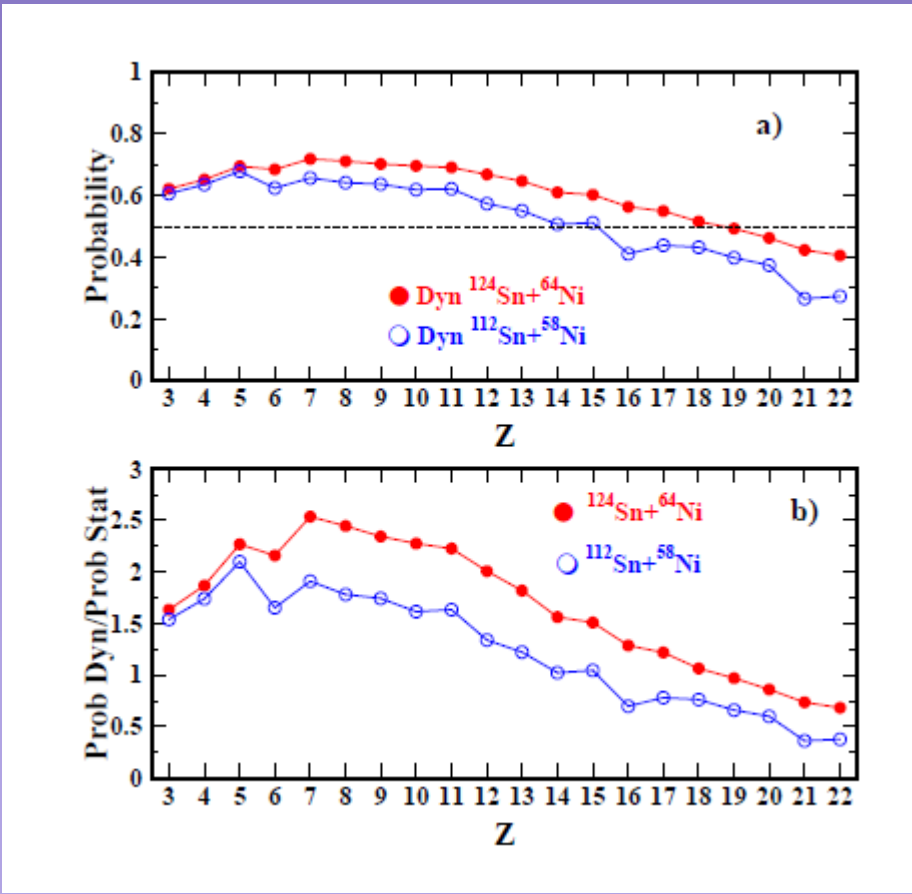
This is a collective work of CHIMERA and EXOCHIM collaborations.

In particular all people of *TIMESCALE* and *TIMESCALEZn* experiments listed below :

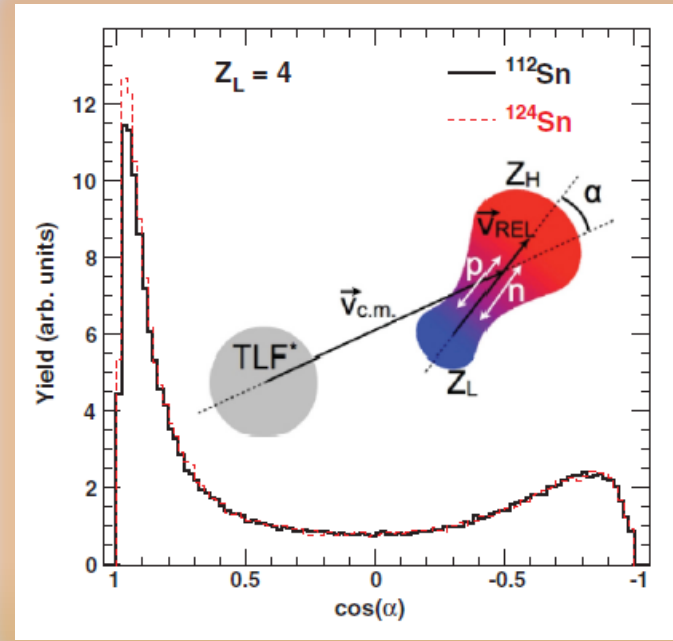
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Probability associated to dynamical emission mechanism



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