

# News on the EOS from Heavy Ion reactions

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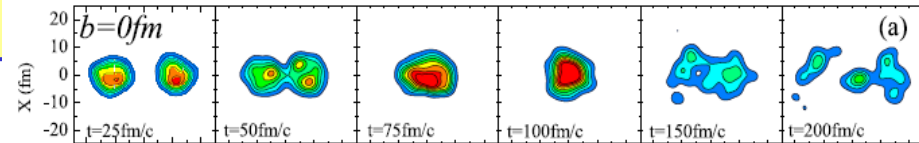
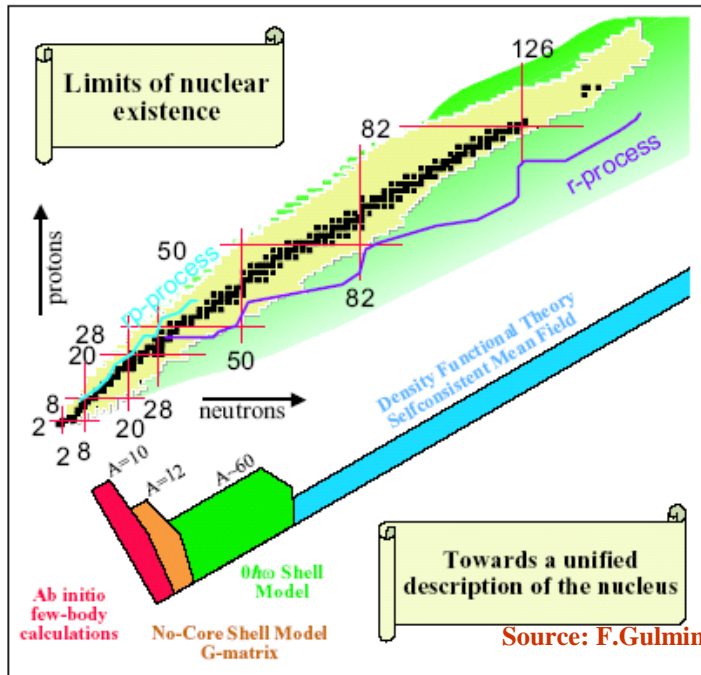
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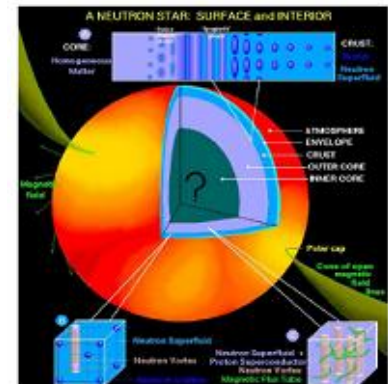
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**Heavy Ion Collisions:** →  
a way to create Nuclear Matter in several conditions of  $\rho$ ,  $T$ ,  $N/Z$  ...  
→ Nuclear effective interaction  
→ Equation of State (EOS)



- Self-consistent Mean Field calculations (like HF) are a powerful framework to understand the structure of medium-heavy (exotic) nuclei.

- Widely employed in the astrophysical context (modelization of neutron stars and supernova explosion ex : Mass-Radius relation)



# ➤ Dynamics of m.b. systems: *Semi-classical approximation*

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

**Transport equation** for the one-body distribution function  $f$   
(semi-classical analog of Wigner function)

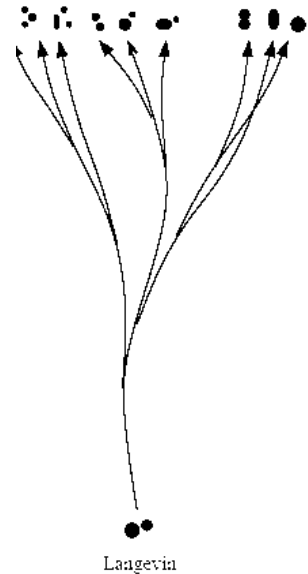
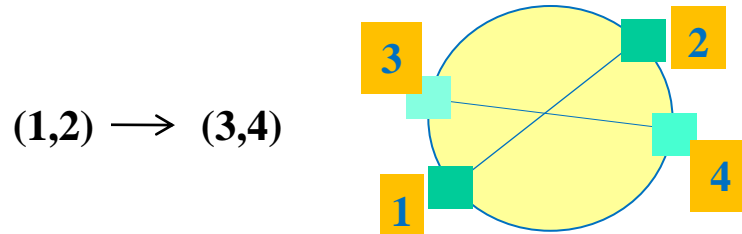
$$\frac{df(r, p, t)}{dt} = \frac{\partial f(r, p, t)}{\partial t} + \{f, h\} = 0$$

Vlasov  
Effective interaction

## ● *Two-body Collision Integral*

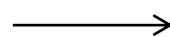
$$\bar{K}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}_1) = g \sum_{234} W(12; 34) [\bar{f}_1 \bar{f}_2 f_3 f_4 - f_1 f_2 \bar{f}_3 \bar{f}_4]$$

$$W(12; 34) = v_{\text{rel}} \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{12 \rightarrow 34} \delta(\mathbf{p}_1 + \mathbf{p}_2 - \mathbf{p}_3 - \mathbf{p}_4) \quad \bar{f} = 1 - f$$



## ● *Fluctuations in collision integral*

$$\prec \delta K(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}, t) \delta K(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{p}', t') \succ = C(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}', \mathbf{r}, t) \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') \delta(t - t')$$



*Stochastic Mean Field (SMF) approach*

# Effective interactions and symmetry energy

The nuclear interaction, contained in the Hamiltonian  $\mathbf{H}$ , is represented by effective interactions (Skyrme, Gogny, ...)  $\rightarrow$  energy-density functional, m.f. potential  $\rightarrow$  EOS

The density dependence of  $E_{\text{sym}}$  is rather controversial, since there exist effective interactions leading to a variety of shapes for  $E_{\text{sym}}$ :

$$E/A(\rho) = E_s(\rho) + E_{\text{sym}}(\rho) \beta^2$$

$$\beta = (\rho_n - \rho_p) / \rho$$

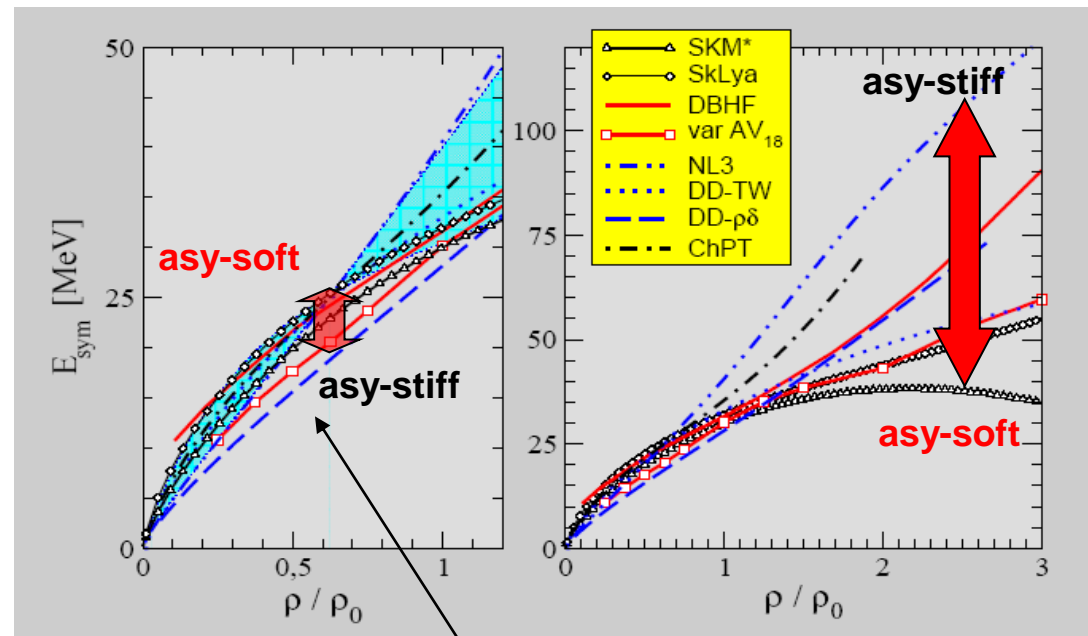
## Symmetry energy

$$E_{\text{sym}} \approx (\rho / \rho_0)^\gamma \quad \text{around } \rho_0$$

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

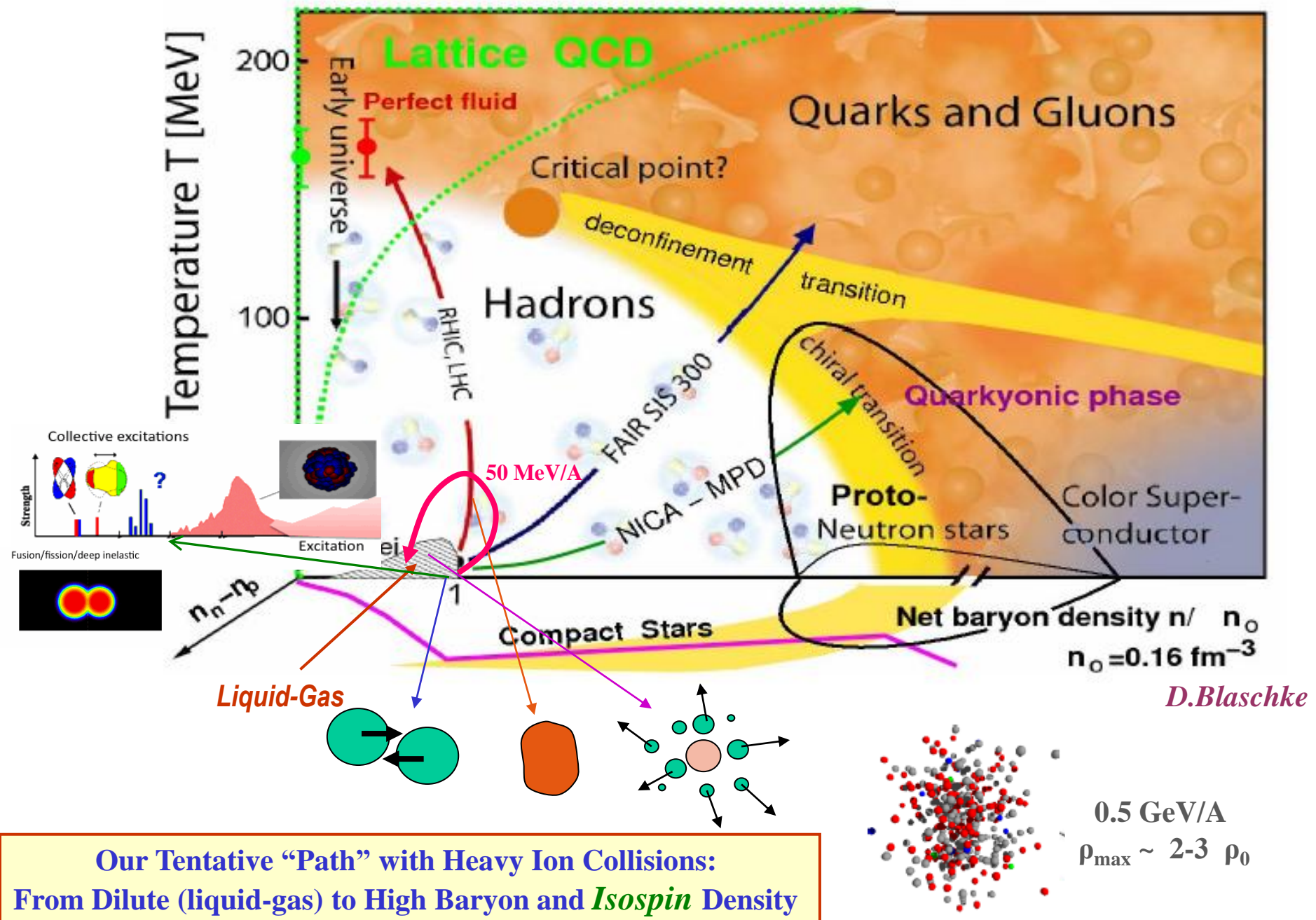
$$E_{\text{sym}}(\rho) = S_0 + L \frac{\rho - \rho_0}{3\rho_0} + \dots$$

Phenomenology of HIC  $\rightarrow$   
Constrain the effective interactions  
 $\rightarrow$  EOS



zoom at low density

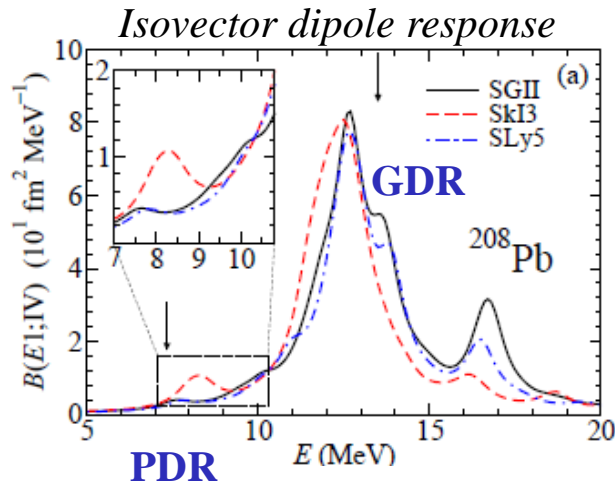
# Nuclear Matter Phase Diagram....updated → *Exotic systems*



# **“Exotic” collective excitations in Nuclei:**

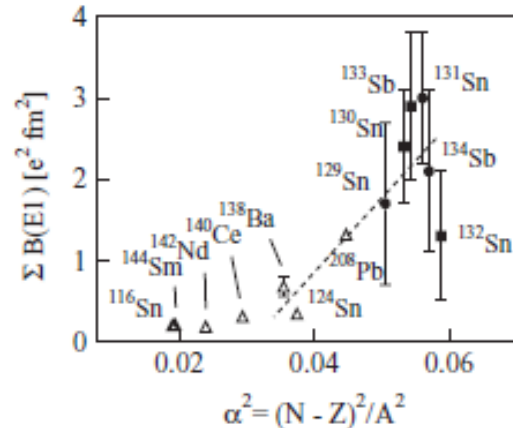
Testing the symmetry energy below normal density

# The Isovector Dipole Response (DR) in neutron-rich nuclei



X.Roca-Maza et al., PRC 85(2012)

*Pygmy dipole strength*



Klimkiewicz et al.

PHYSICAL REVIEW C 76, 051603(R) (2007)

$$\vec{D} = \frac{NZ}{A} \vec{X}$$

➤ Giant DR

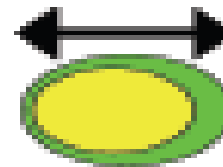
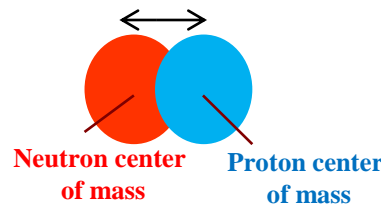
➤ Pygmy DR

*A study with  
transport theories*

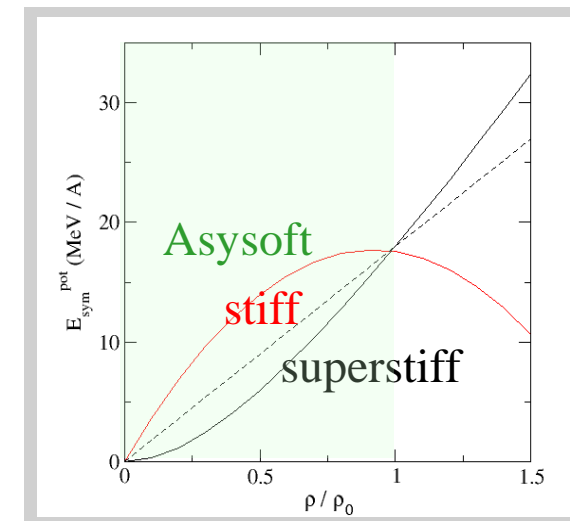
X neutrons – protons

$X_c$  core neutrons-protons

Y excess neutrons - core

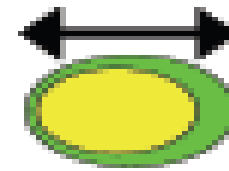


$$\vec{D} = \frac{NZ}{A} \vec{X} = \frac{ZN_c}{A_c} \vec{X}_c + \frac{ZN_e}{A} \vec{Y} \equiv \vec{D}_c + \vec{D}_y.$$



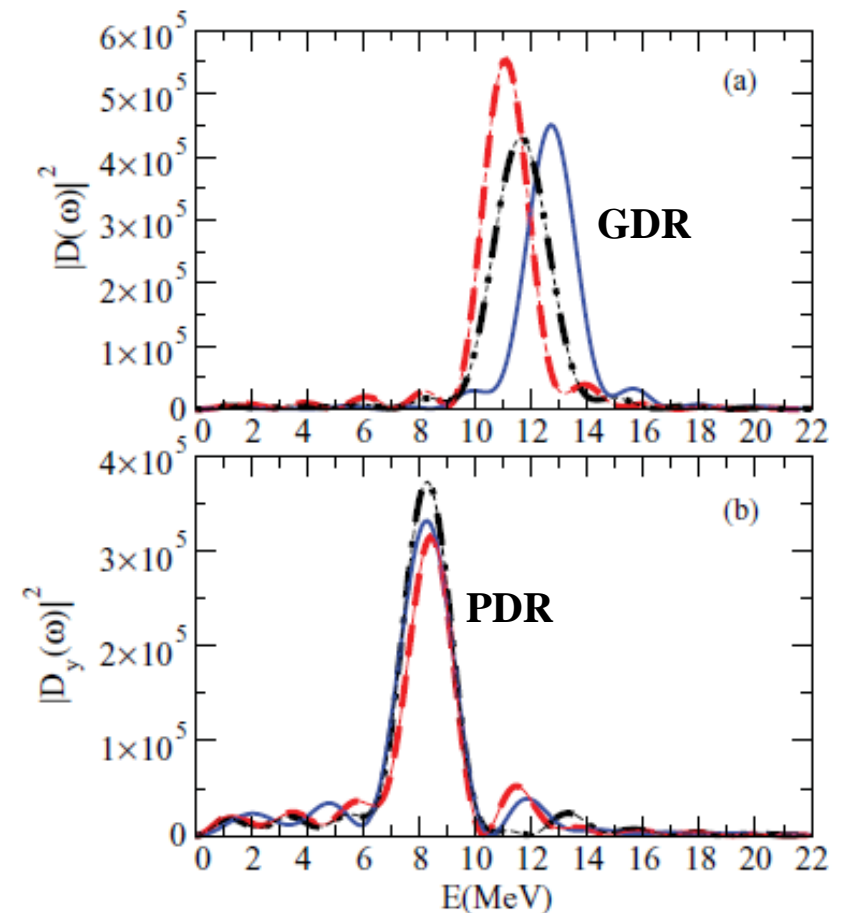
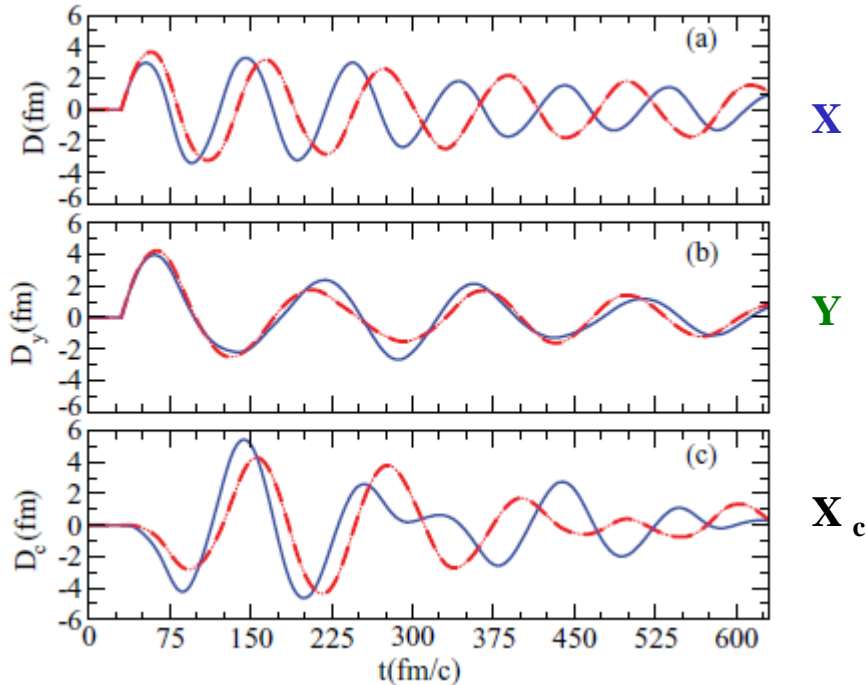


# Pygmy-like initial conditions (Y)



$^{132}\text{Sn}$

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● Neutron skin and core are coupled

asy-EoS	$E_{\text{sym}}/A$ (MeV)	$L$ (MeV)
asysoft	29.9	25.0
asystiff	28.3	72.6
asysuperstiff	28.3	96.6

- soft
- stiff
- superstiff

Baran et al.  
PHYSICAL REVIEW C 85, 051601(R) (2012)

see M.Urban, PRC85, 034322 (2012)  
Abrosimov, Brink, Dellafiore, Matera,  
NPA800, 1 (2008)

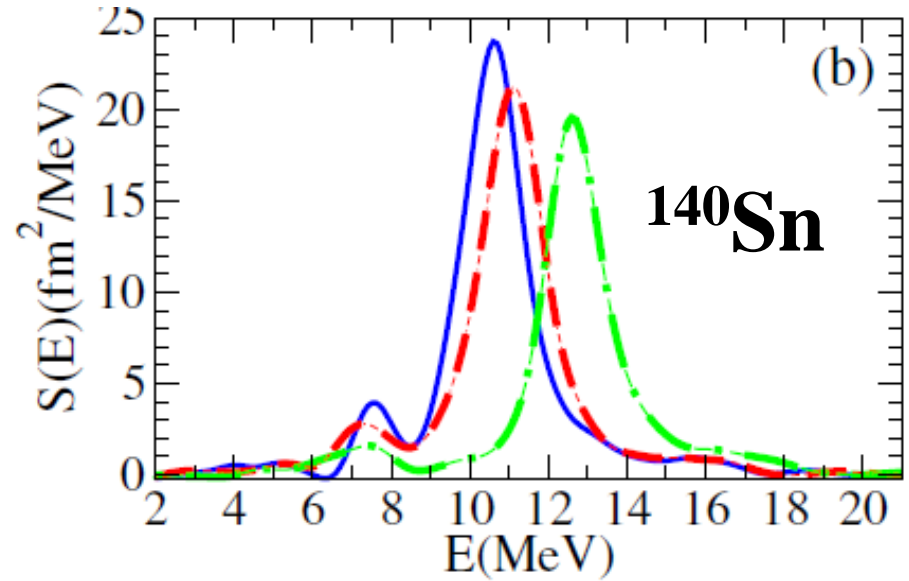
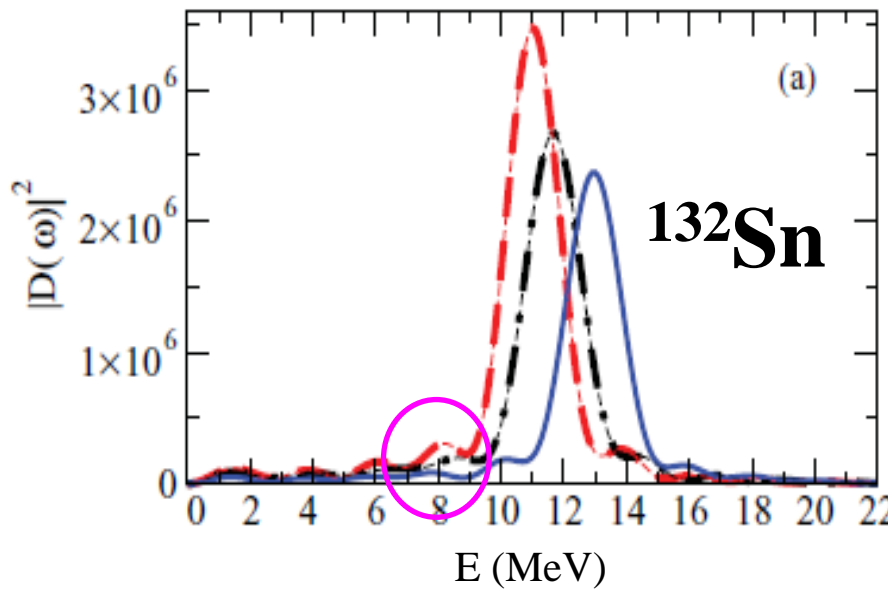


- GDR-like initial conditions (X)**

$$V_{ext} = \eta \delta(t - t_0) \hat{D} \text{ at } t = t_0$$

Fourier transform of  $D \longrightarrow$   
Strength of the Isovector Dipole Response

$$S(E) = \frac{\text{Im}(D(\omega))}{\pi \eta \hbar}$$



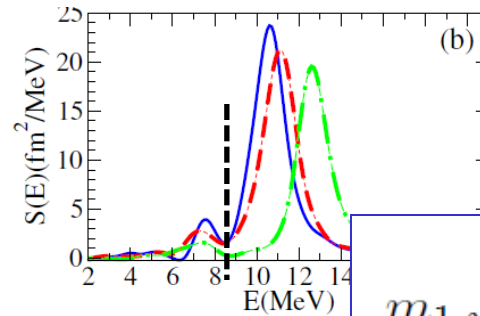
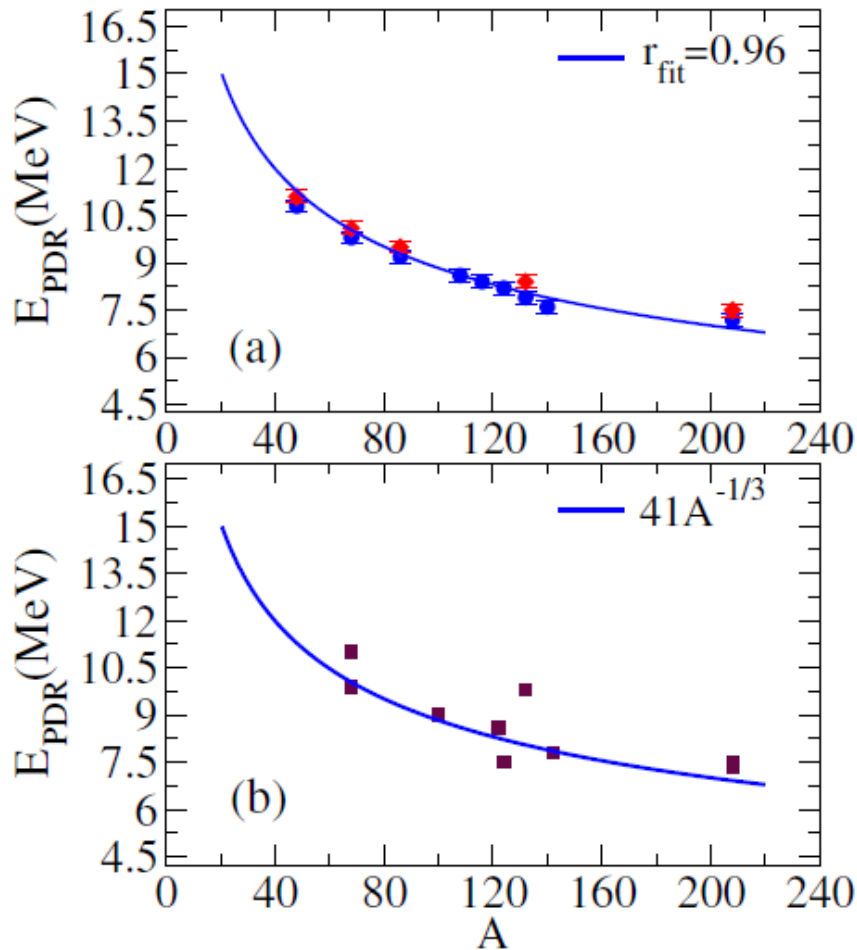
PDR is isoscalar-like  $\longrightarrow$  frequency not dependent on  $E_{\text{sym}}$   
GDR is isovector-like  $\longrightarrow$  dependent on  $E_{\text{sym}}$

The strength in the PDR region depends on the asy-stiffness (increases with  $L$ ). Same trend observed for n-skin extension

**2.7 % soft**  
**4.4 % stiff**  
**4.5 % superstiff**

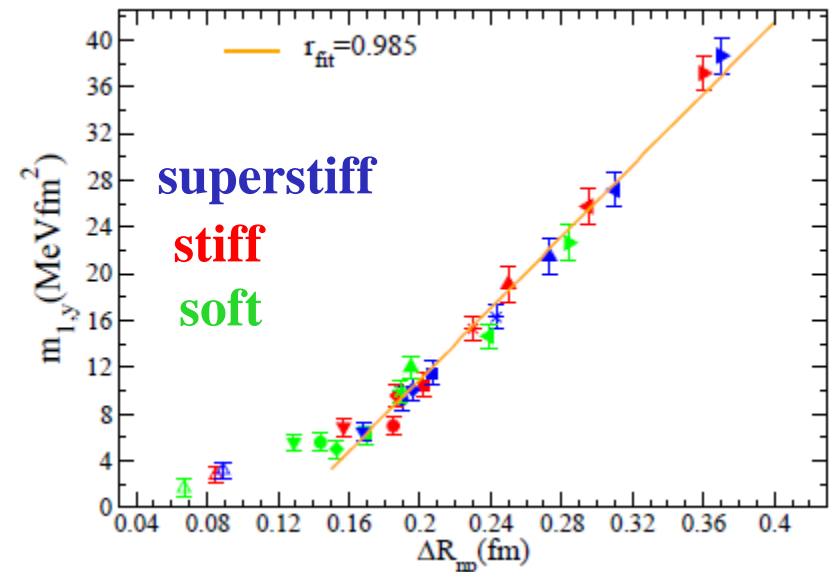
# ➤ PDR energy and strength: (a systematic study)

The energy centroid of the PDR as a function of the mass for Sn isotopes,  $^{48}\text{Ca}$ ,  $^{68}\text{Ni}$ ,  $^{86}\text{Kr}$ ,  $^{208}\text{Pb}$   
 $\sim 41 A^{-1/3}$



$$m_{1,y} = \int_{\text{PDR}} ES(E)dE$$

Correlation between the EWSR exhausted by the PDR and the neutron skin extension

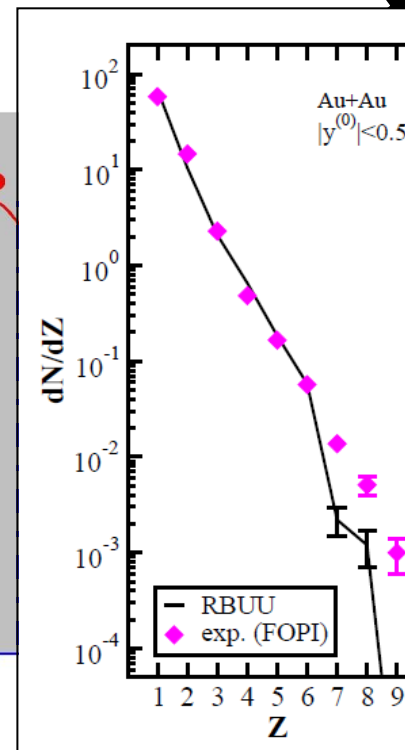
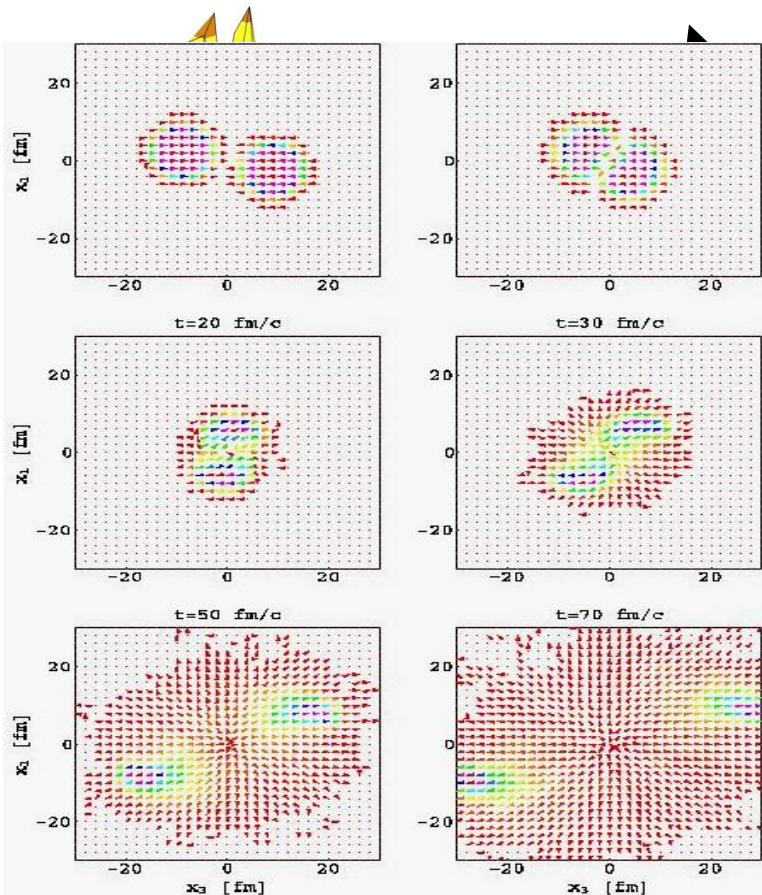
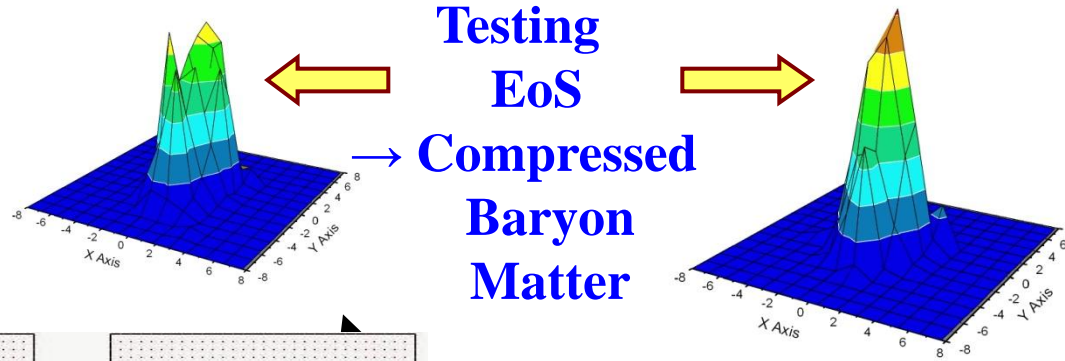


# Intermediate Energies

$E/A \sim 0.1-1 \text{ GeV}/A$

*Symmetry Energy above Saturation:  
Fast particle emission and flows*

# Au+Au 1AGeV central: Phase Space Evolution in a CM cell

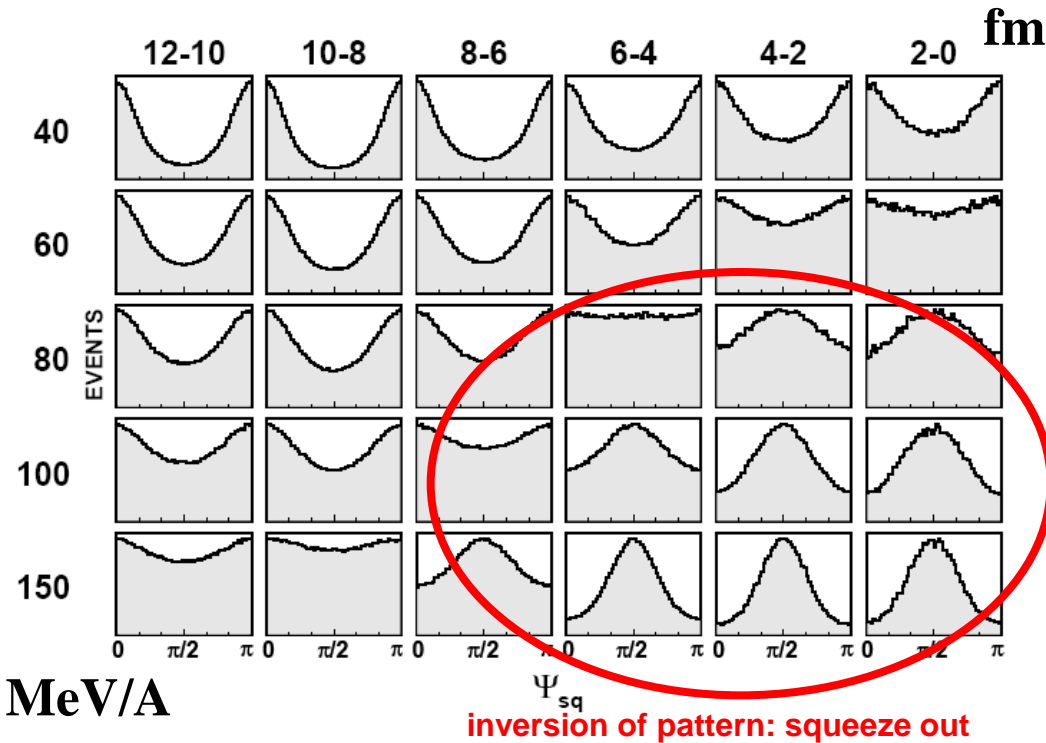


- High density regions reached during the first reaction stage
- Abundant cluster production  
Meson production
- Collective flows

Relativistic transport simulations (T.Gaitanos)

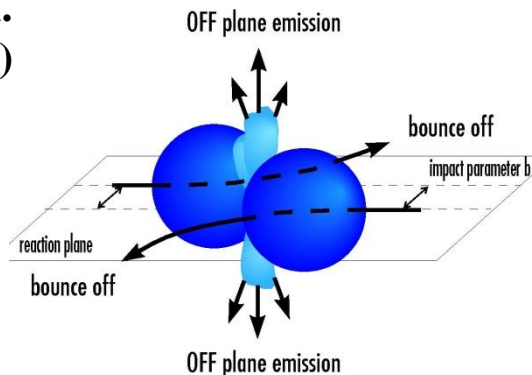
# Elliptic flow

Evolution with impact parameter and energy



MeV/A

J.Lukasik et al.  
PLB 606 (2005)

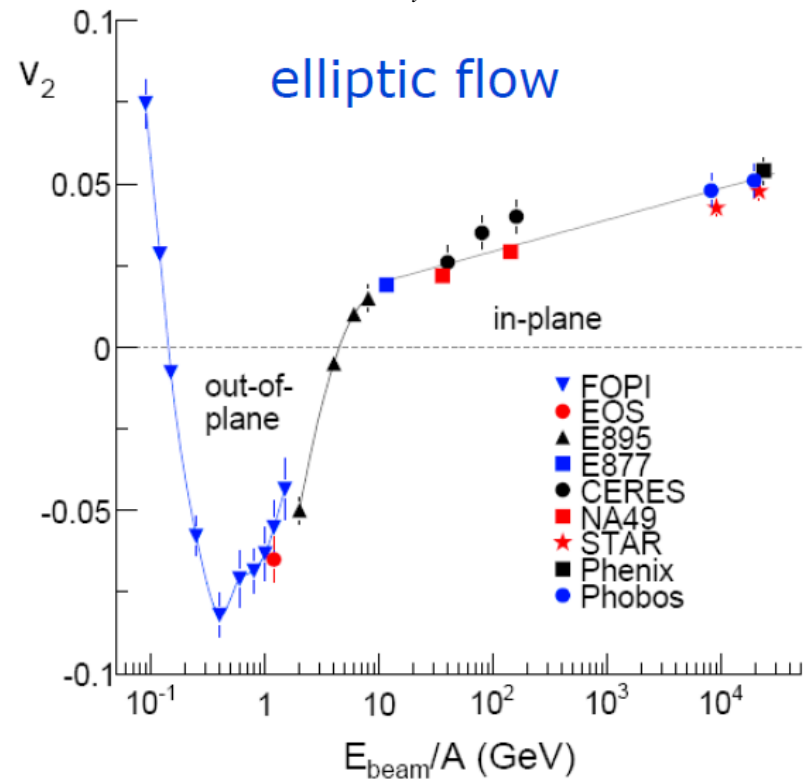


$y = \text{rapidity} =$

$v_{parallel}/v_{beam}$

$p_t = \text{transverse momentum}$

$$V_2(y, p_t) = \left\langle \frac{p_x^2 - p_y^2}{p_x^2 + p_y^2} \right\rangle_y$$

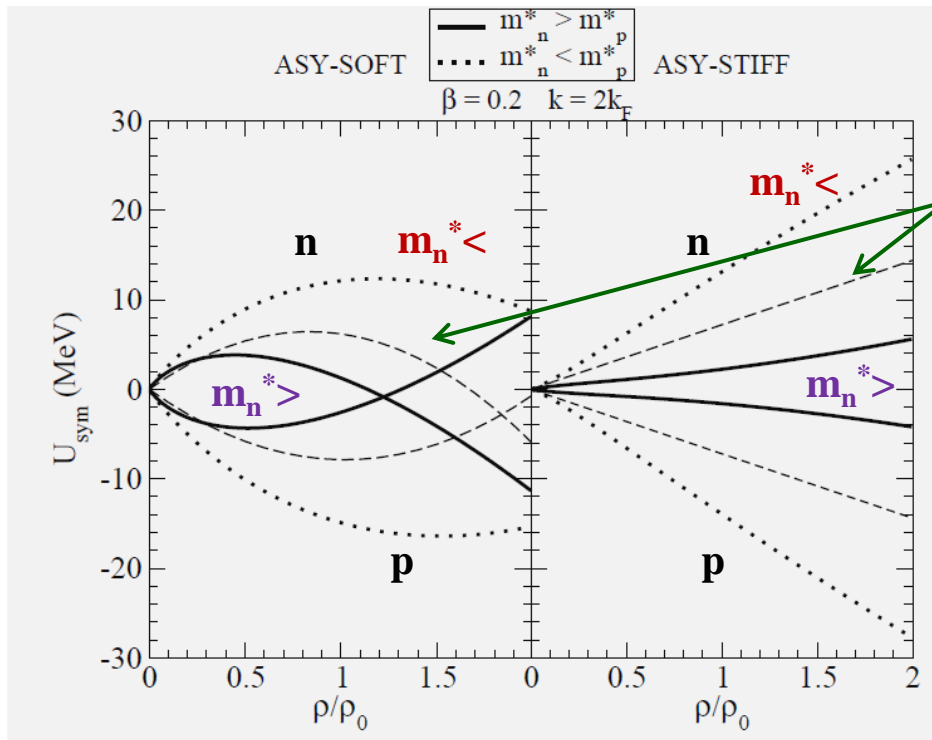


A systematics of  
experimental data

# Neutron and Proton Symmetry potentials in asymmetric nuclear matter

$$U_{n,p}(\rho, k=2k_F)$$

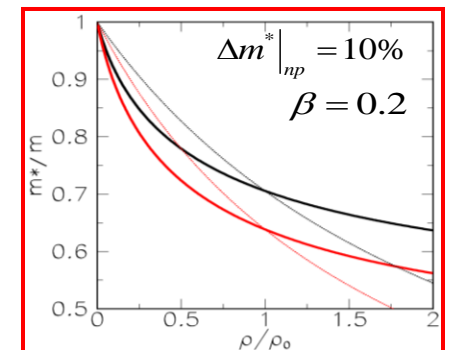
$$\beta=0.2$$



$$\longrightarrow U_q = U_q(\rho, k)$$



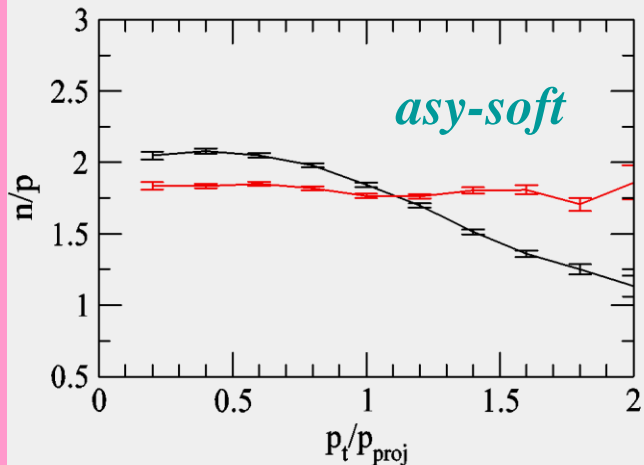
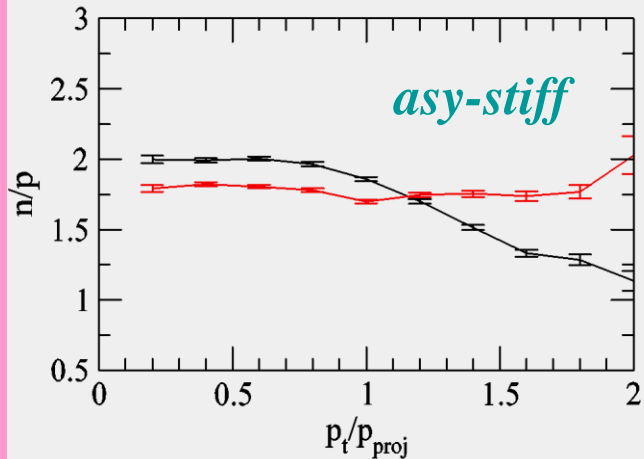
$$\frac{m_q^*}{m} = \left[ 1 + \frac{m}{\hbar^2 k} \frac{\partial U_q}{\partial k} \right]^{-1}$$



- $m^*$ -splitting effect comparable to asy-stiffness effects !

# N/Z of Fast Nucleon Emission

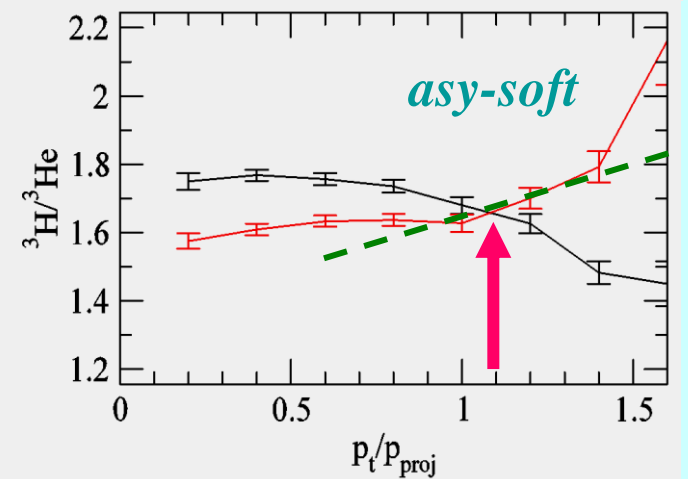
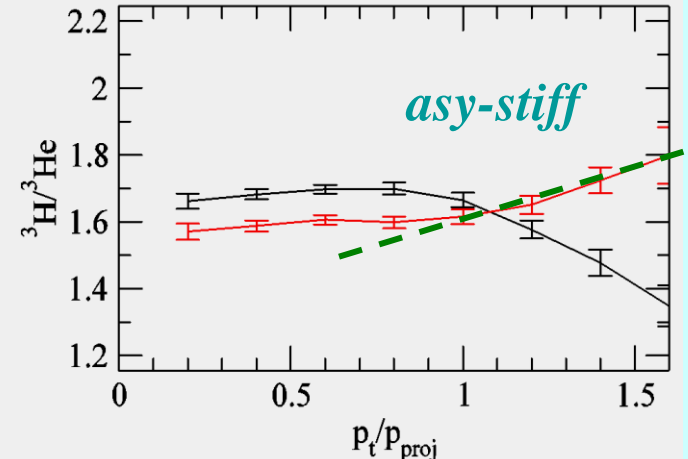
## n/p ratio yields



$^{197}\text{Au}+^{197}\text{Au}$   
400 AMeV  
central,  
 $y \leq 0.3$

-  $m_n^* > m_p^*$   
-  $m_n^* < m_p^*$

## Light isobar $^3\text{H}/^3\text{He}$ yields



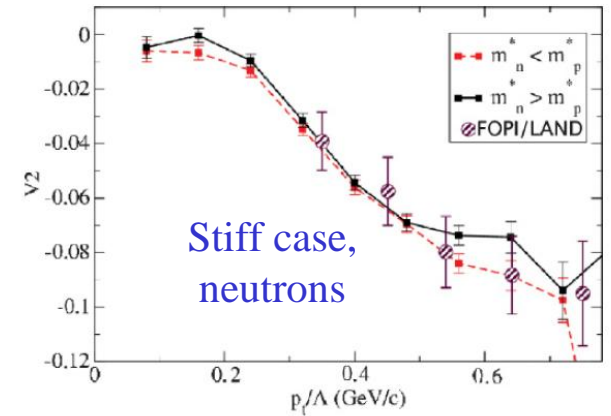
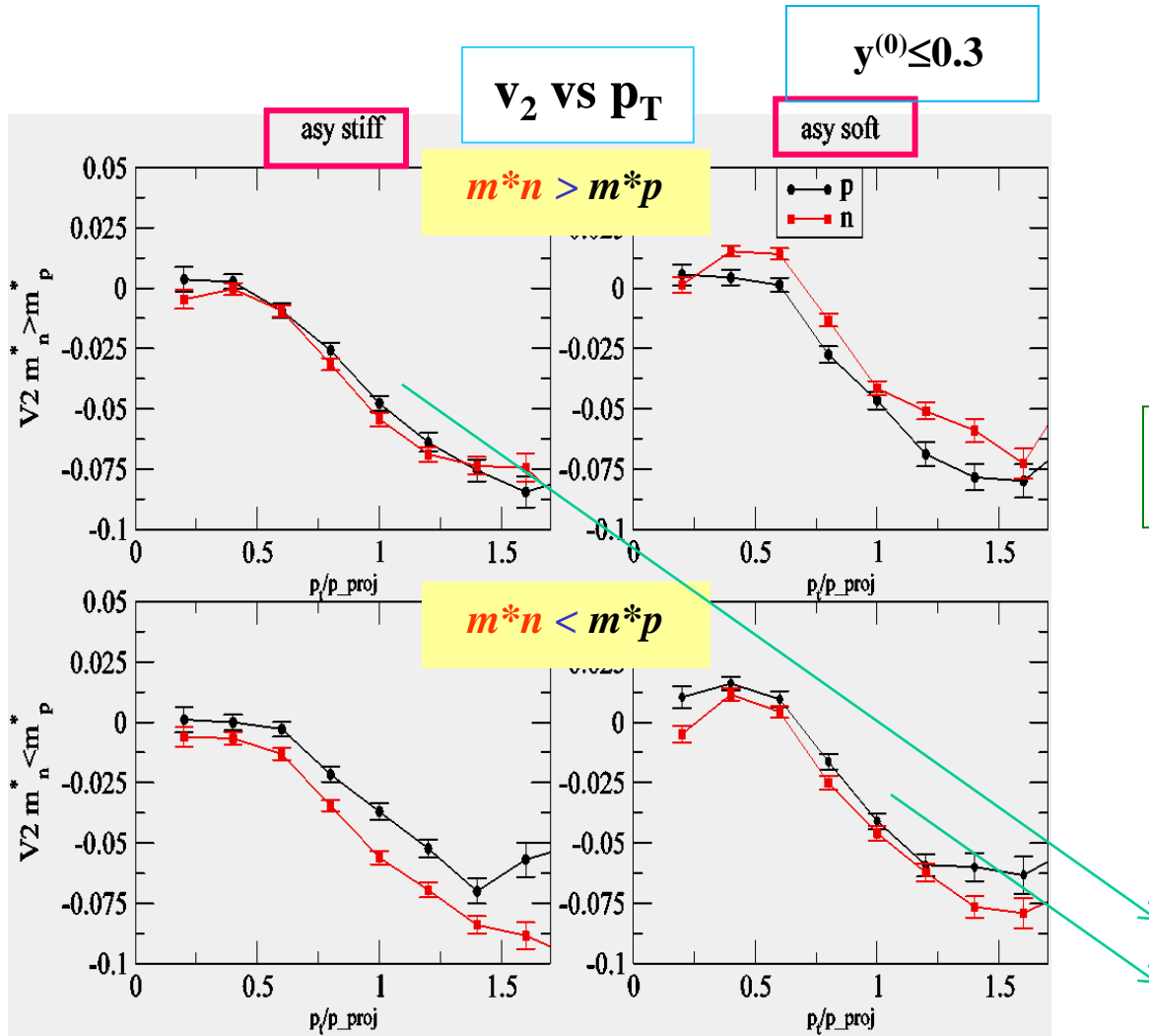
- Observable particularly sensitive at high  $p_T$  to the mass splitting
- Qualitative trend : ratio increases only if  $m_n^* < m_p^*$



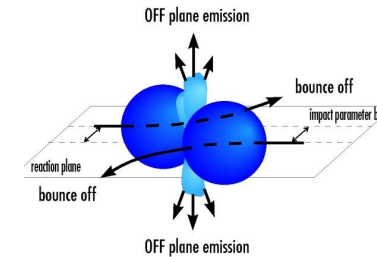
## n/p Collective Flows

*W.Trautmann, Nucl.Phys.A834(2010)*

*P.Russotto et al., PLB697,471 (2011)*



- *GSI experiment, combined data for central and mid-peripheral collisions*

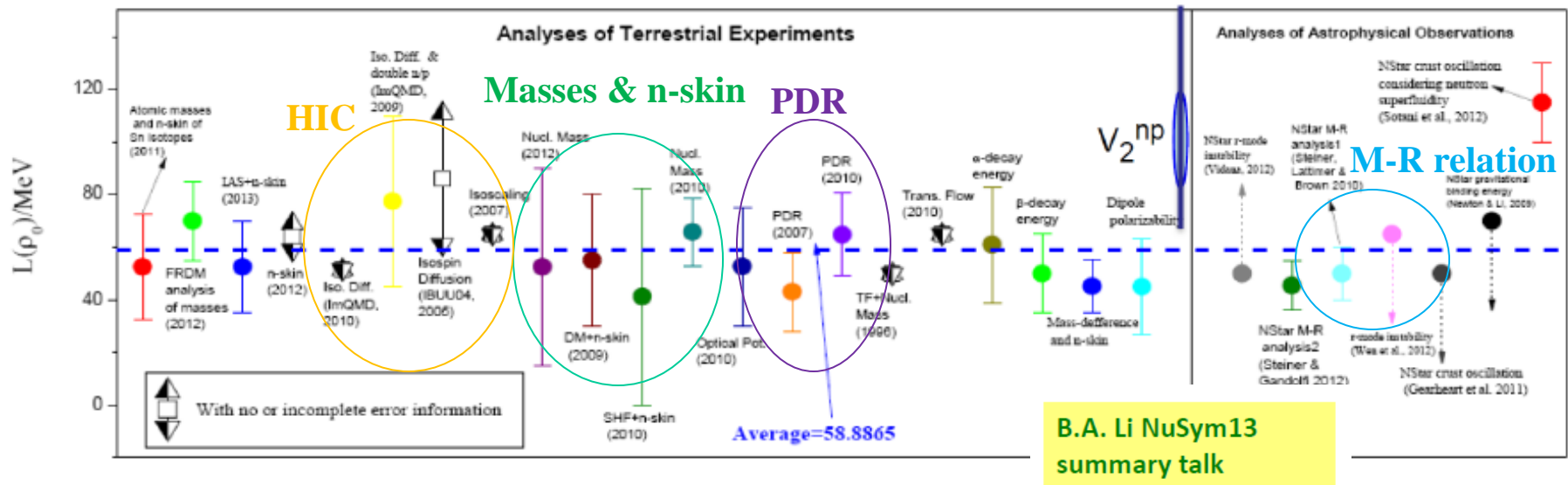


## Comparable flows:

→ Interplay between  
asy-stiffness and  
effective mass effects

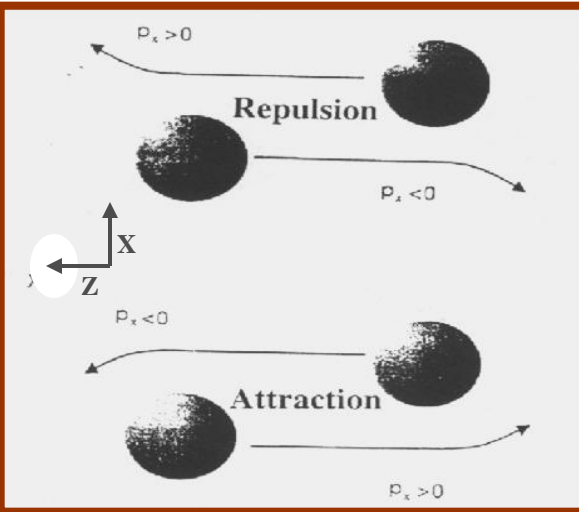
# Conclusions

- ✓ Transport theories as a useful tool to describe nuclear dynamics in several regimes, from low to up to relativistic energies
- ✓ Possibility to access the nuclear effective interaction EOS, transport coefficients
- ✓ Sinergy with experimental activities is essential
- ✓ Link with structure studies (masses, n-skin, PDR, ...) and properties of compact stellar objects



# Collective flows

## In-plane (transverse)

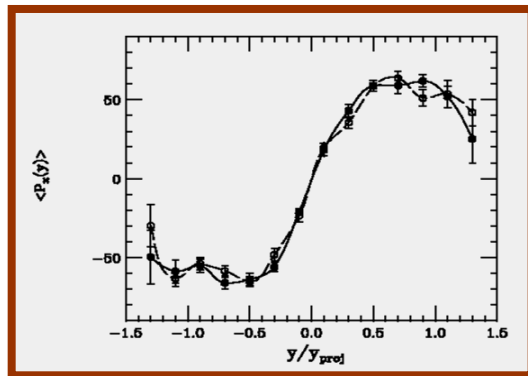
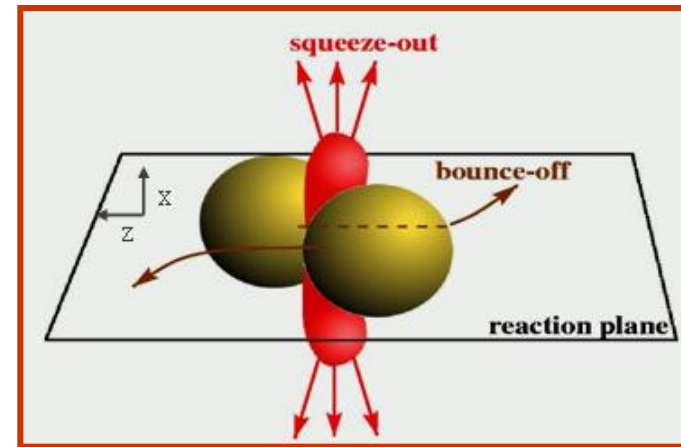


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 $p_t = \text{transverse momentum}$

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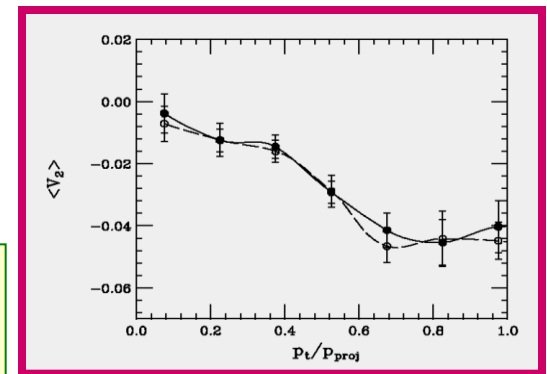
## Out-of-plane (elliptic)



$V_1$   
vs.  $y$

$V_2 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} = -1 \text{ full out} \\ = 0 \text{ spherical} \\ = +1 \text{ full in} \end{array} \right.$

$V_2$   
vs  $p_t$



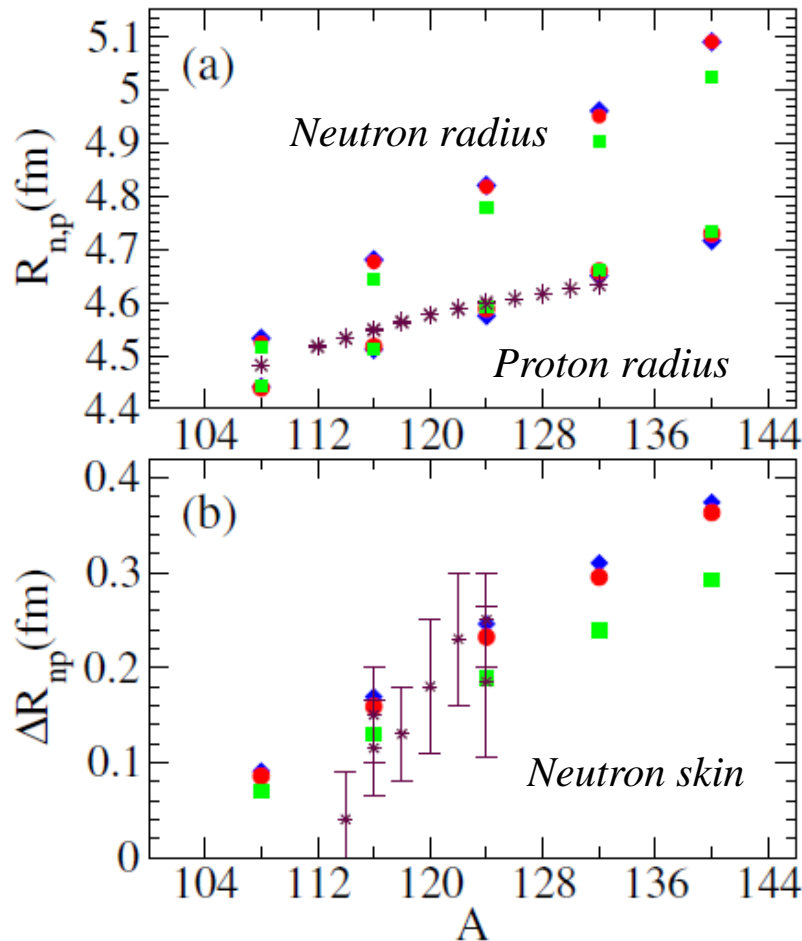
Flow observables expressed as the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> coefficient of the Fourier expansion of the azimuthal distribution of particles  $dN/d\phi(y, p_t) = 1 + v_1 \cos(\phi) + 2v_2 \cos(2\phi)$

$$V_1^{p-n}(p_t) = V_1^p(p_t) - V_1^n(p_t) \quad \leftarrow \text{Isospin} \quad \rightarrow \quad V_2^{p-n}(p_t) = V_2^p(p_t) - V_2^n(p_t)$$

B-A Li et al. PRL(2002)

# Ground state properties and nuclear radii

## Sn isotopes



$E_{\text{sym}}/A$ (MeV)	$L$ (MeV)
29.9	14.4
28.3	72.6
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Static solution  
of transport equations

-Proton radii are in good agreement with experimental data

-Neutron-skin predictions agree with data (within the error bars)

-Neutron-skin increases with  $L$

# n/p collective flows FOPI/LAND data

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and mid-peripheral collisions

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- Comparison with other  
transport calculations (UrQMD)  
(soft and stiff)

$$E_{\text{sym}} \sim E_{\text{sym}}(\text{Fermi}) + \rho^\gamma$$

- From the ratio  $v_n/v_p$ , interpolation between  
predictions gives  $\gamma \sim 0.9 \pm 0.3$ , but ...

No Isospin Mom. Dep.

Data : hydrogen flow close to neutron flow  
From a more accurate analysis, information on  
mass splitting !

New experiment CHIMERA/LAND to be performed at GSI

