

The symmetry energy at high density: new experimental results

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back in time with ^{14}C

1980 in
Munich

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Elastic and Inelastic Scattering of ^{14}C by ^{14}C

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(Received 14 July 1980)

1980 in Los Alamos

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GROSS STRUCTURE AND RESONANT BEHAVIOR OF $^{14}\text{C} + ^{14}\text{C}$ ELASTIC SCATTERING[☆]

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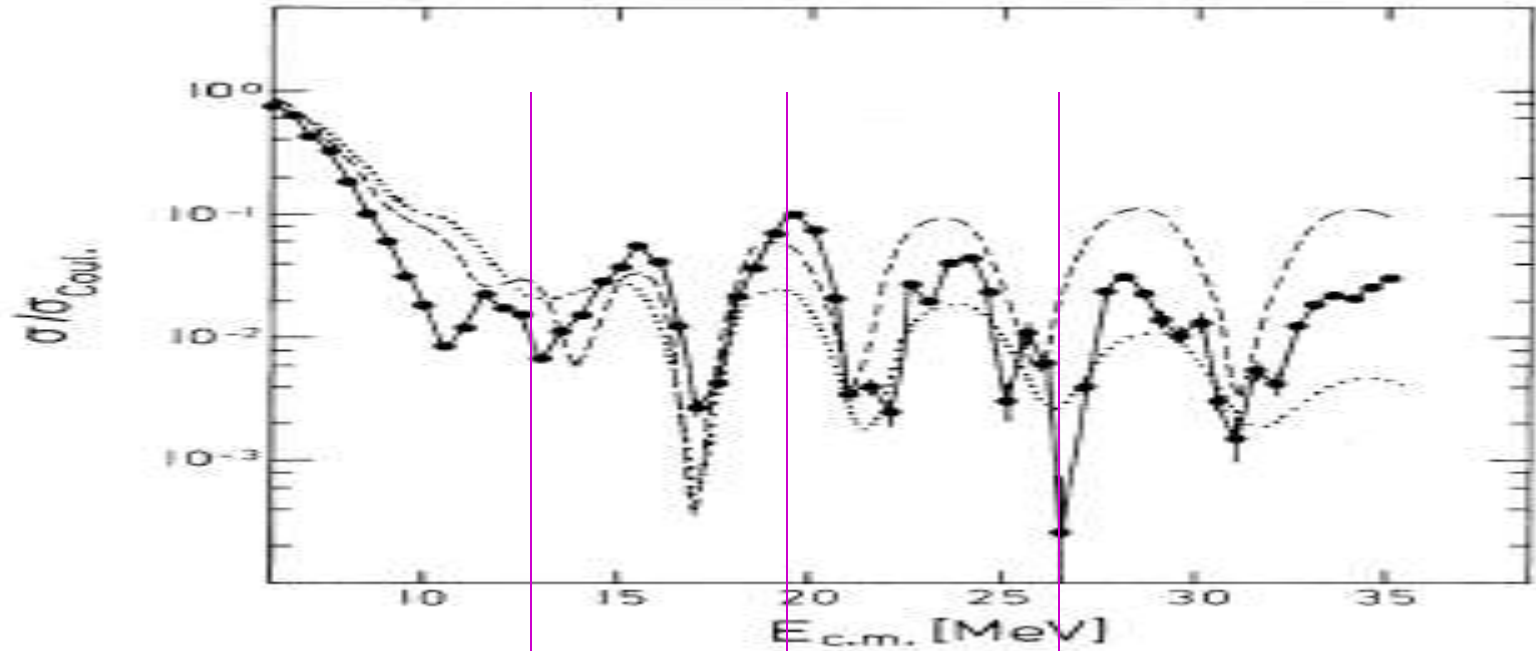
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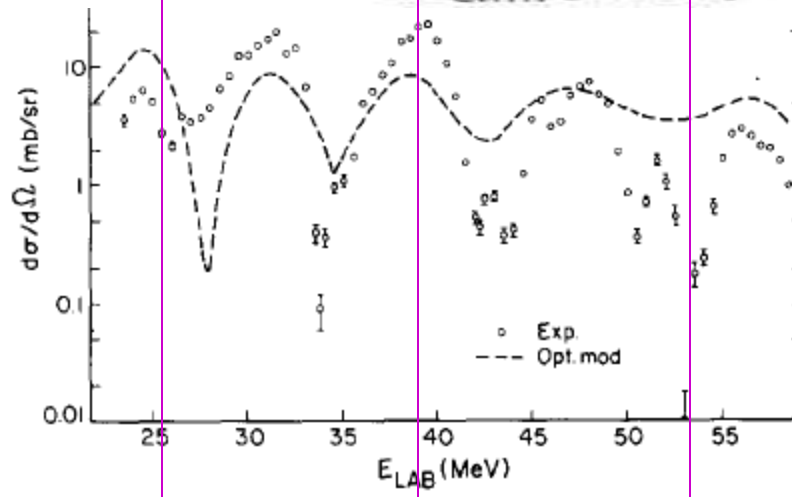
"Rudjer Boskovic" Institute, 41001 Zagreb, Croatia, Yugoslavia

Received 2 July 1980

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the data
agree
nicely!

Fig. 1. Center of mass differential cross sections for $^{14}\text{C} + ^{14}\text{C}$ elastic scattering measured at $\theta_{\text{cm}} = 90^\circ$ as a function

Mazurian Lakes Summer School Piaski, 1993



Concert, Concert, Concert

Sunday, August 22
7³⁰ p.m.

"I solisti di Varsavia"



Acta Physica Polonica 25,645(1994)

neutron star cooling: URCA process

lecture by Pawel Haensel



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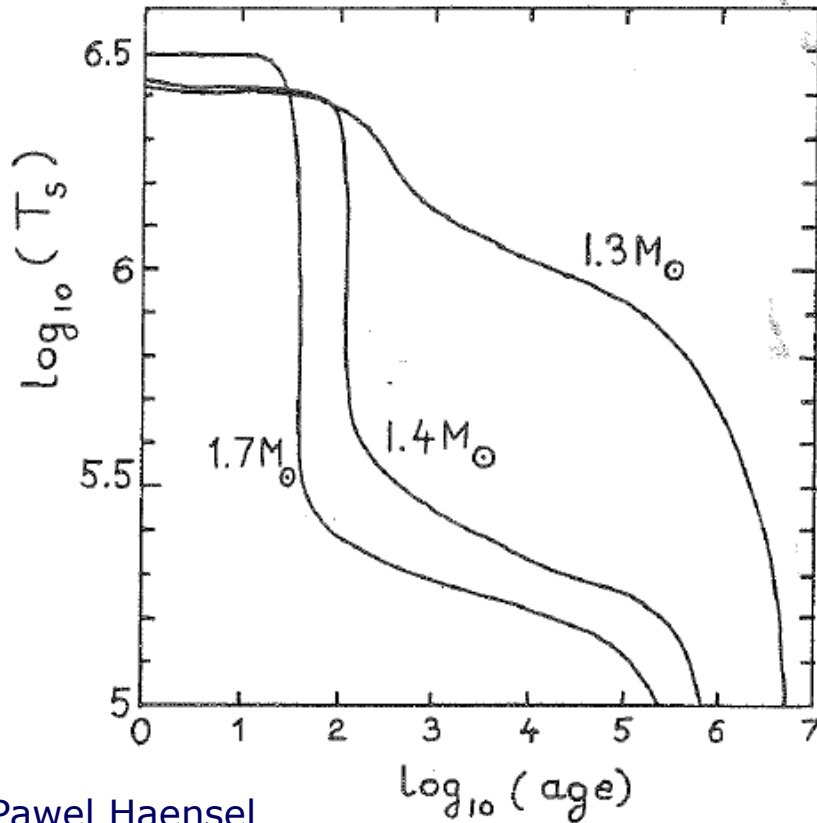


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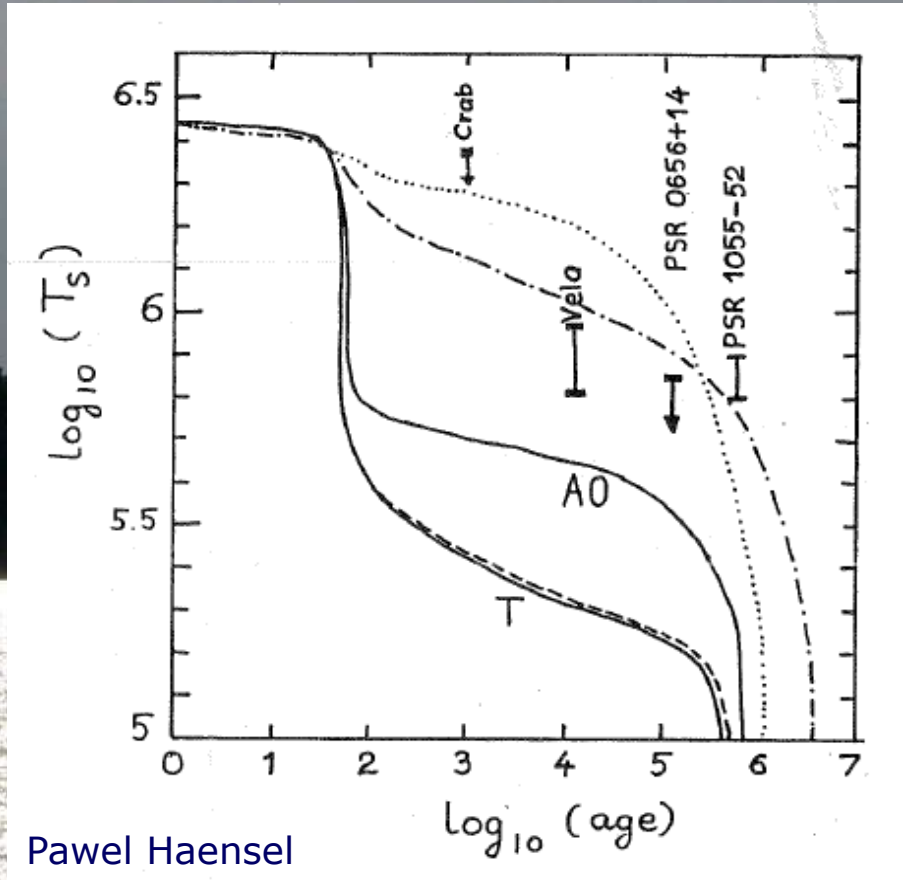


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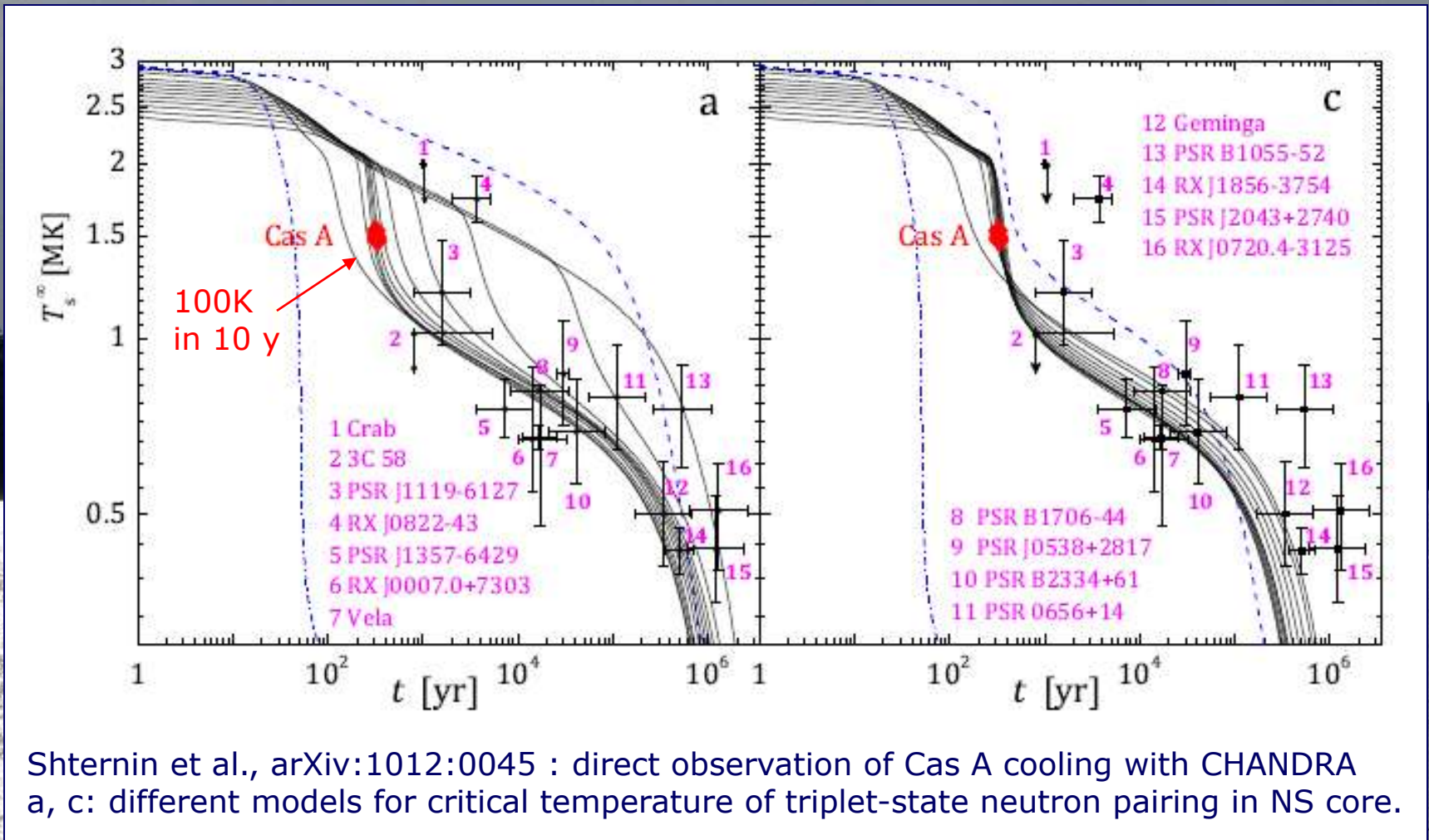
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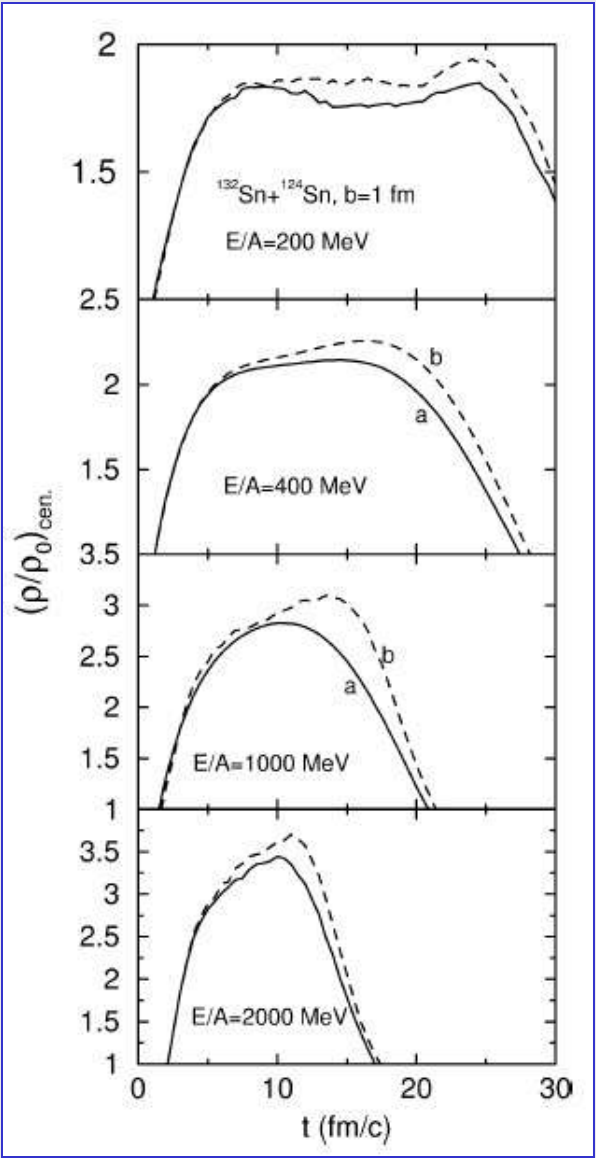
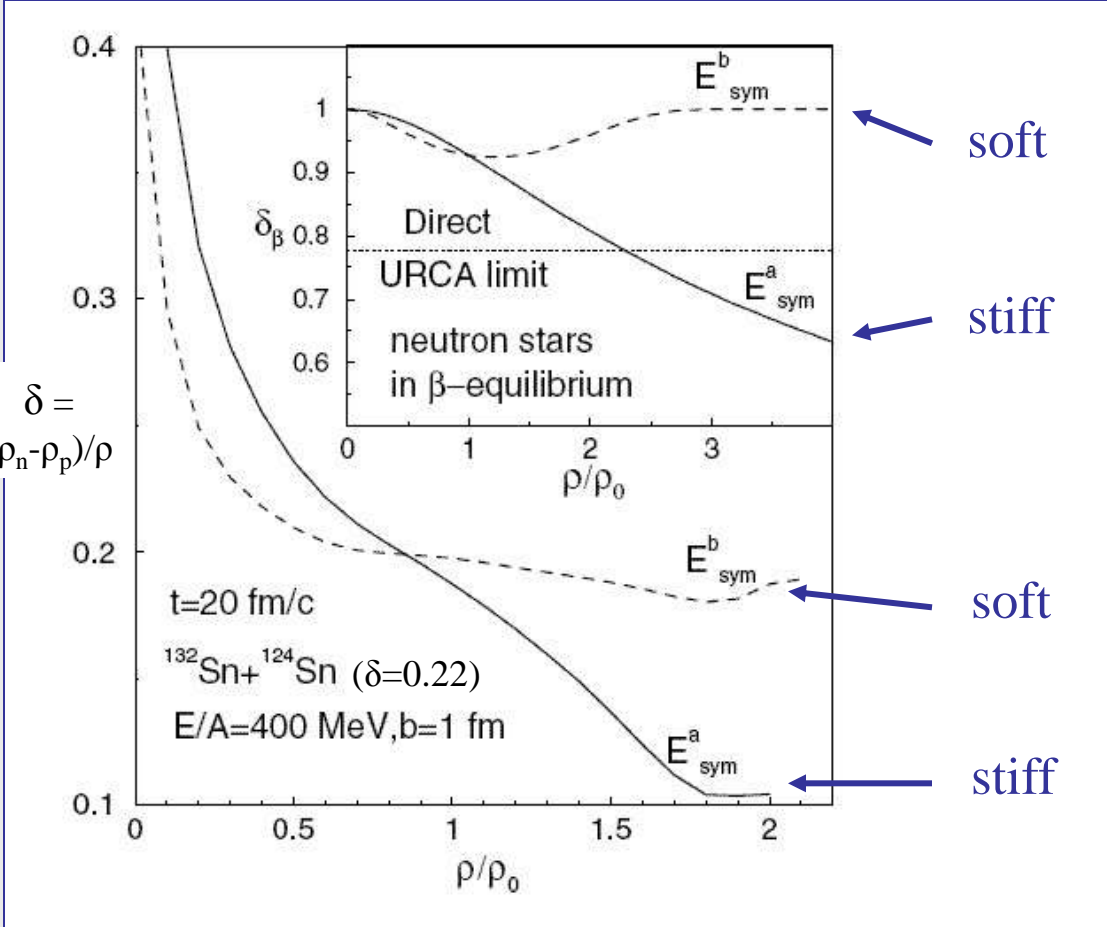
neutron star cooling: CPF neutrinos

Cooper pair formation



symmetry energy in HI reactions

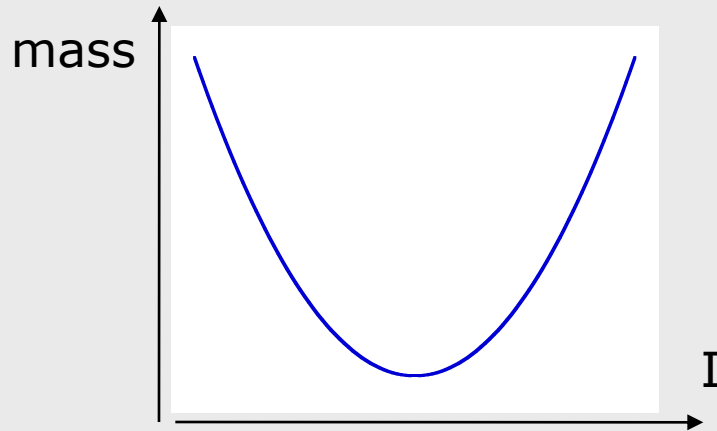
Bao-An Li, PRL 88, 192701 (2002)



probe the early reaction phase with suitable observables like differential neutron-proton flow!

the symmetry energy

Bethe Weizsäcker



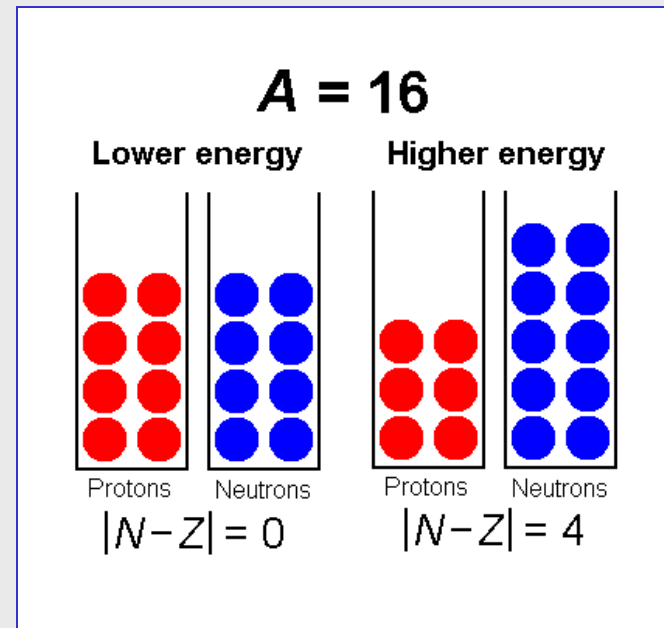
$$B_{\text{sym}} = -23.4 \text{ MeV} \cdot (N-Z)^2/A$$

Fermi-gas model for kinetic part:

$$B_{\text{sym}} = -(\epsilon_F/3) \cdot (N-Z)^2/A$$

density dependence $(\rho/\rho_0)^{2/3}$

equivalent to $\approx 1/3$ of strength
potential part equivalent to $\approx 2/3$



isospin asymmetry $I = (N-Z)/A$

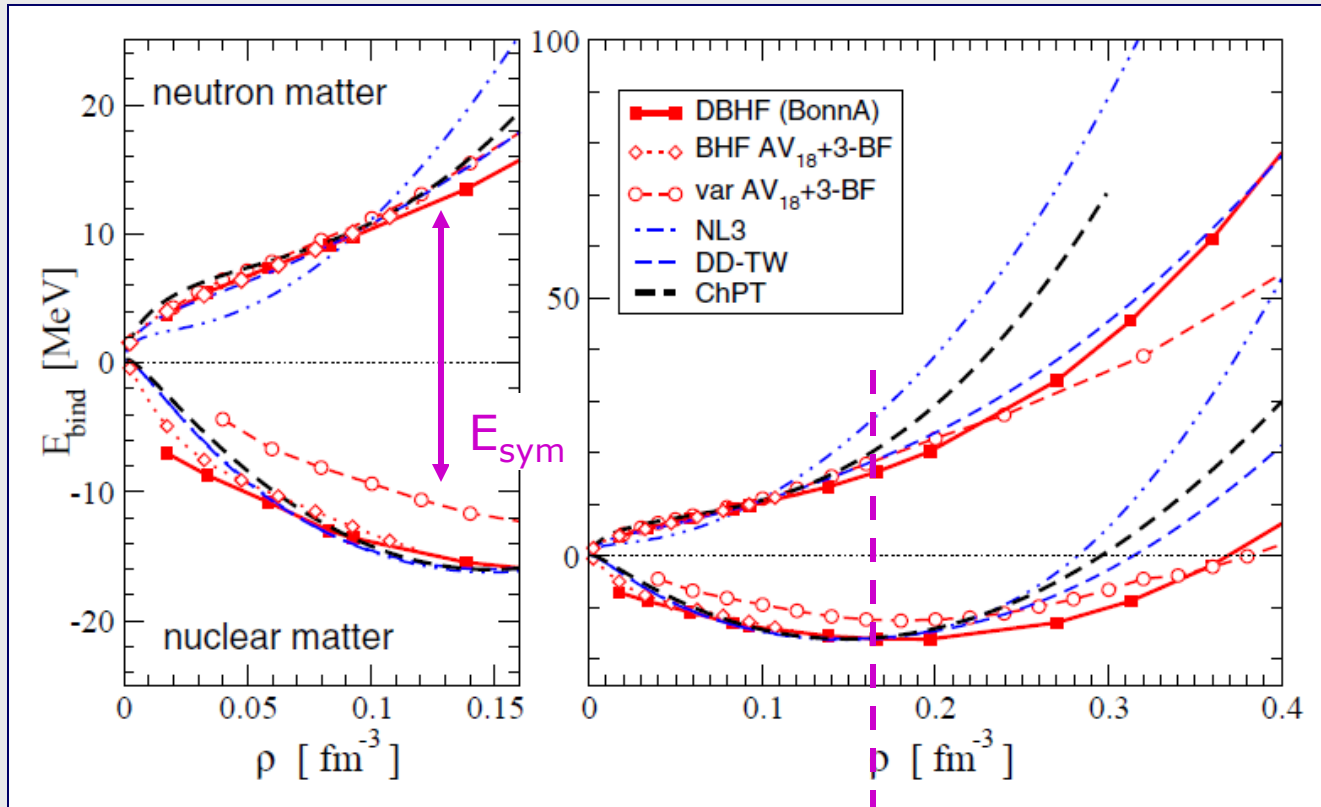
nuclear-matter equation of state

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

asymmetry parameter $\delta = (\rho_n - \rho_p)/\rho$

proton fraction $f_p = \rho_p/\rho = (1 - \delta)/2$

the symmetry energy



why so uncertain
at high density?

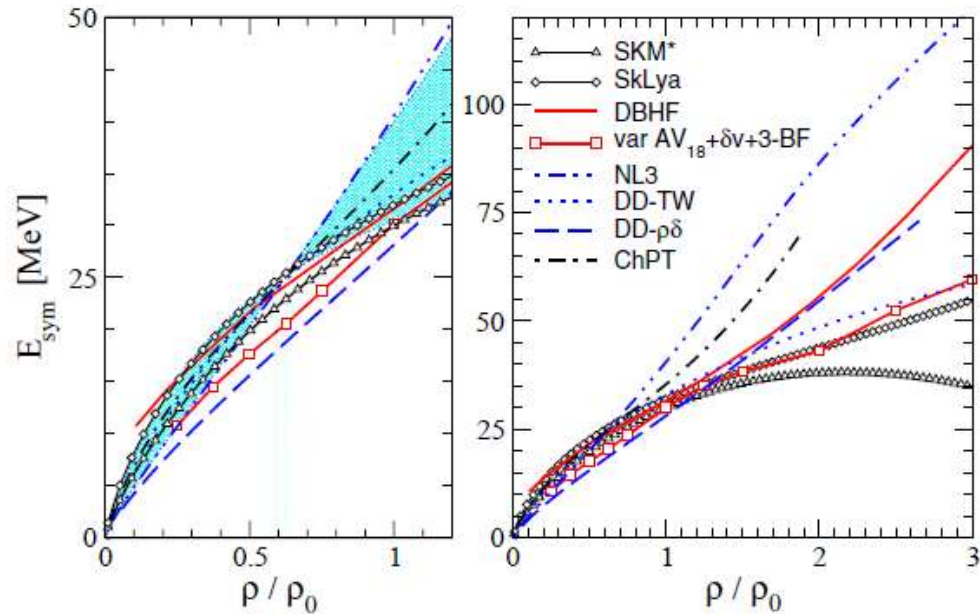
related to
uncertainty of
three-body and
tensor forces
at high density

Fuchs and Wolter, EPJA 30 (2006)

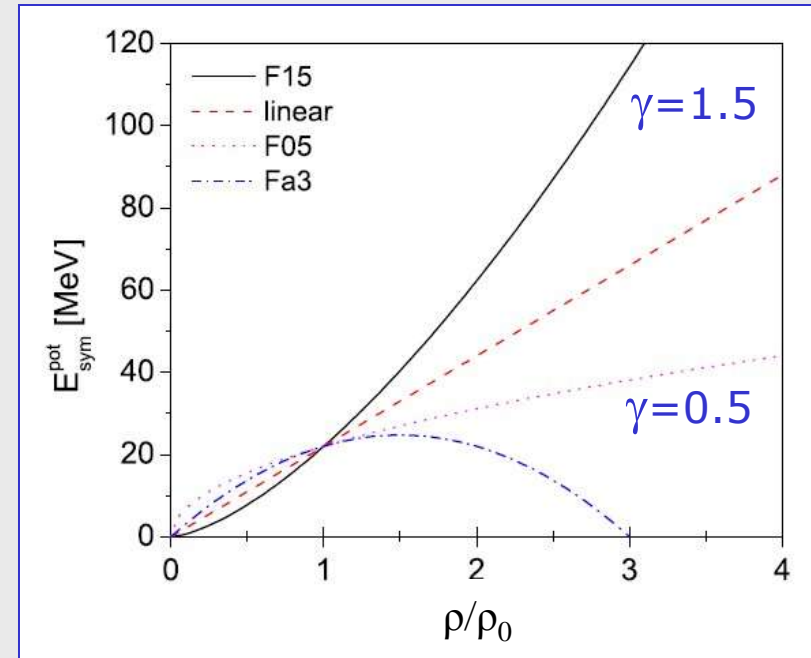
normal nuclear density

the symmetry energy

Fuchs and Wolter, EPJA 30 (2006)



param. in transport: UrQMD, Q.F. Li et al.



$$E_{\text{sym}} = E_{\text{sym}}^{\text{pot}} + E_{\text{sym}}^{\text{kin}}$$

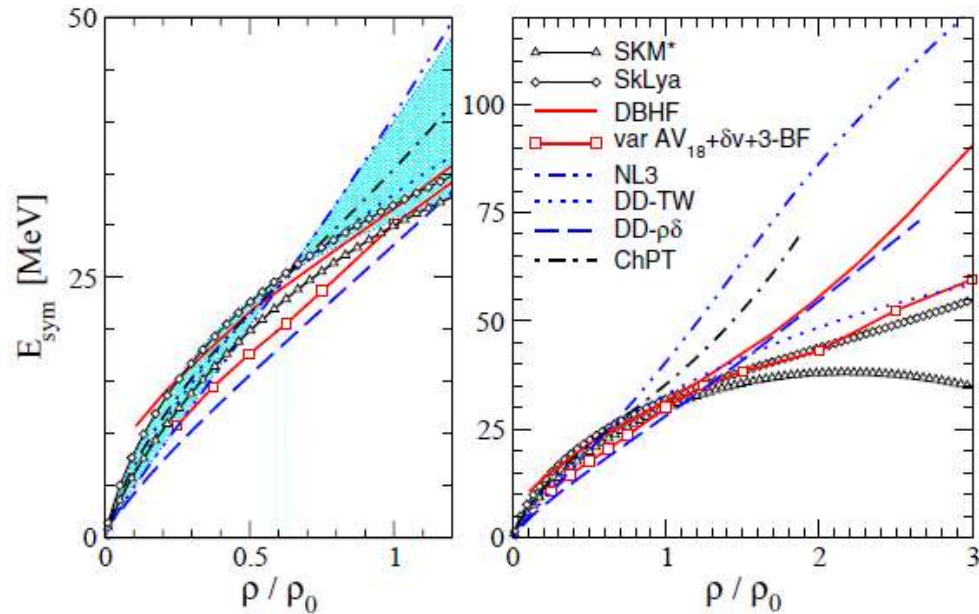
$$= 22 \text{ MeV} \cdot (\rho/\rho_0)^\gamma + 12 \text{ MeV} \cdot (\rho/\rho_0)^{2/3}$$

$$L = 3\rho_0 \cdot dE_{\text{sym}}/d\rho \text{ at } \rho = \rho_0$$

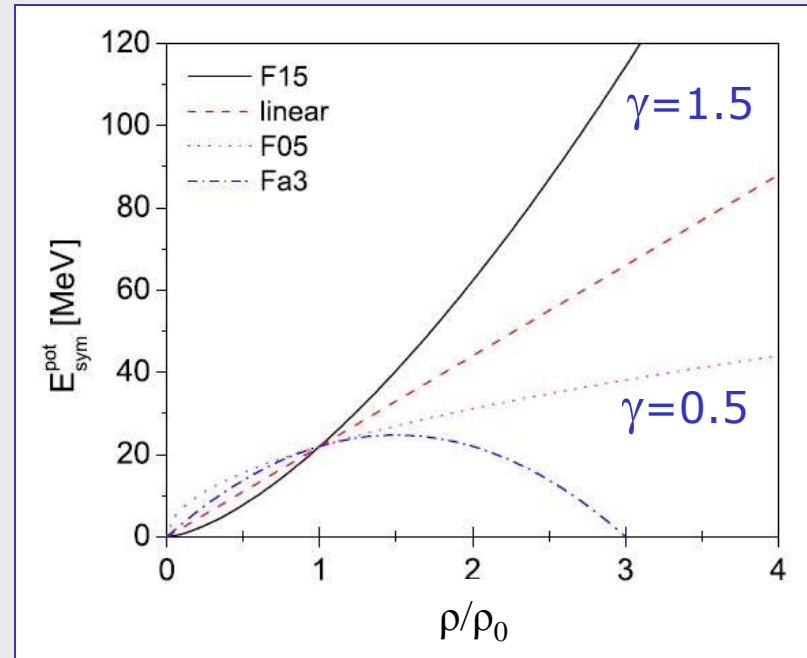
$\gamma = 0.5$	1.0	1.5
$L = 57$	90	123 MeV

the symmetry energy

Fuchs and Wolter, EPJA 30 (2006)



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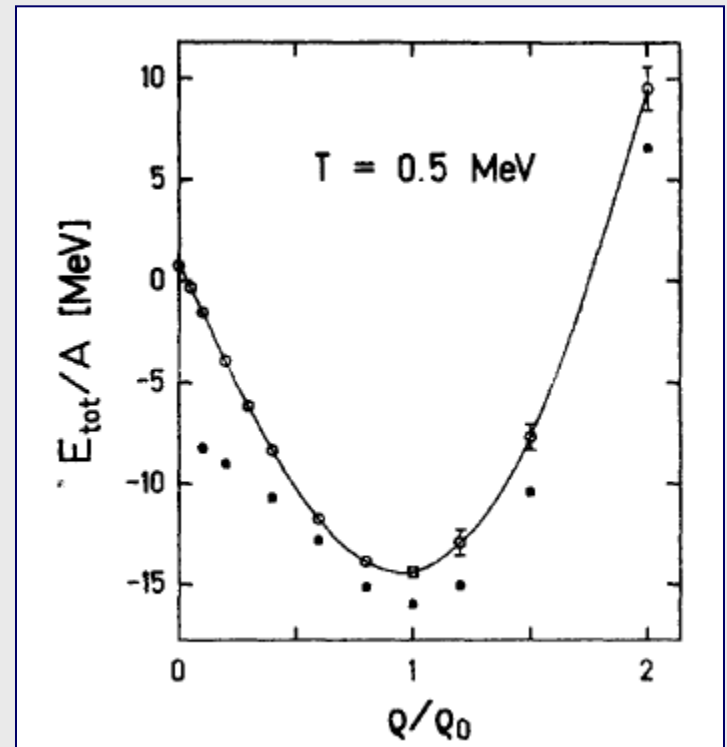
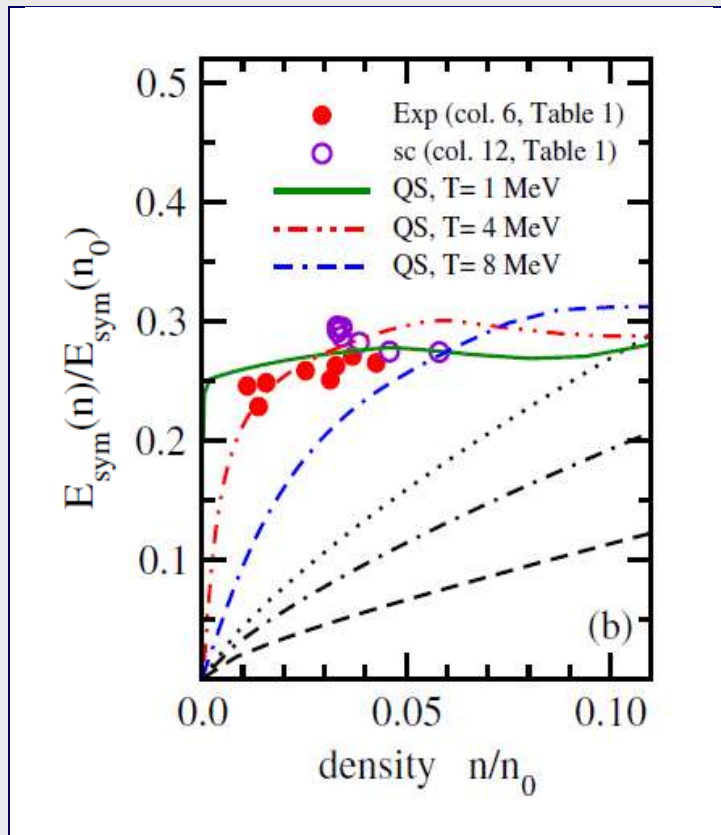
- at very low densities: E_{sym} finite because of clustering
- near normal density: E_{sym} constrained by g.s. masses, nuclear structure and reactions; can we extrapolate?
- probes for high density

the symmetry energy at very low density

C.J. Horowitz, A. Schwenk, NPA 776 (2006)

S. Typel et al., PRC **81**, 015803 (2010)

J.B. Natowitz et al., PRL **104**, 202501 (2010)



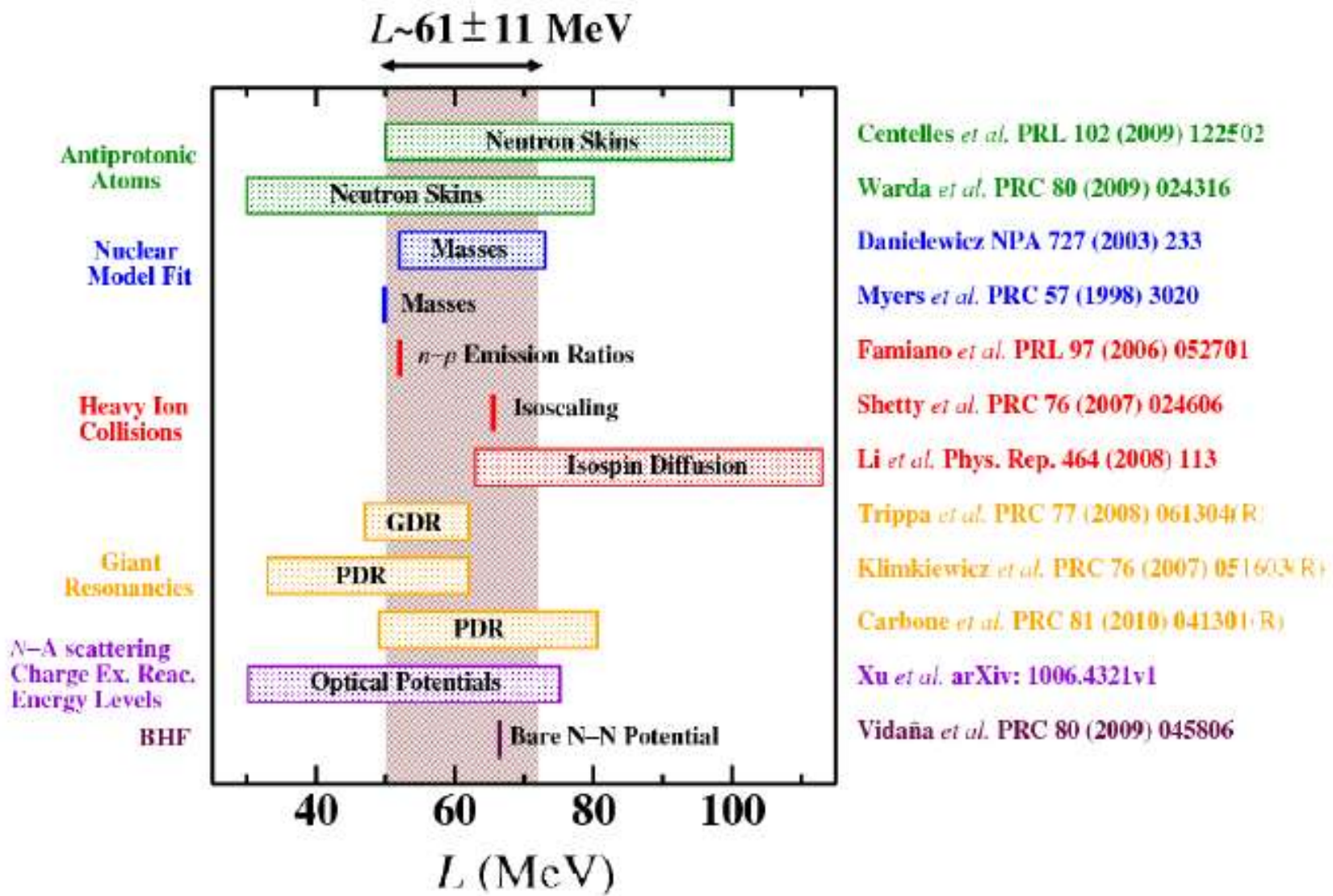
Clustering at subsaturation densities
G. Peilert, J. Randrup, H. Stöcker
and W. Greiner, PLB 260 (1992)

„... for $\rho \sim 0$ the binding energy
approaches that characteristic of
finite nuclei, namely $E/A = 6-8$ MeV.

ECT* Workshop, June 2011

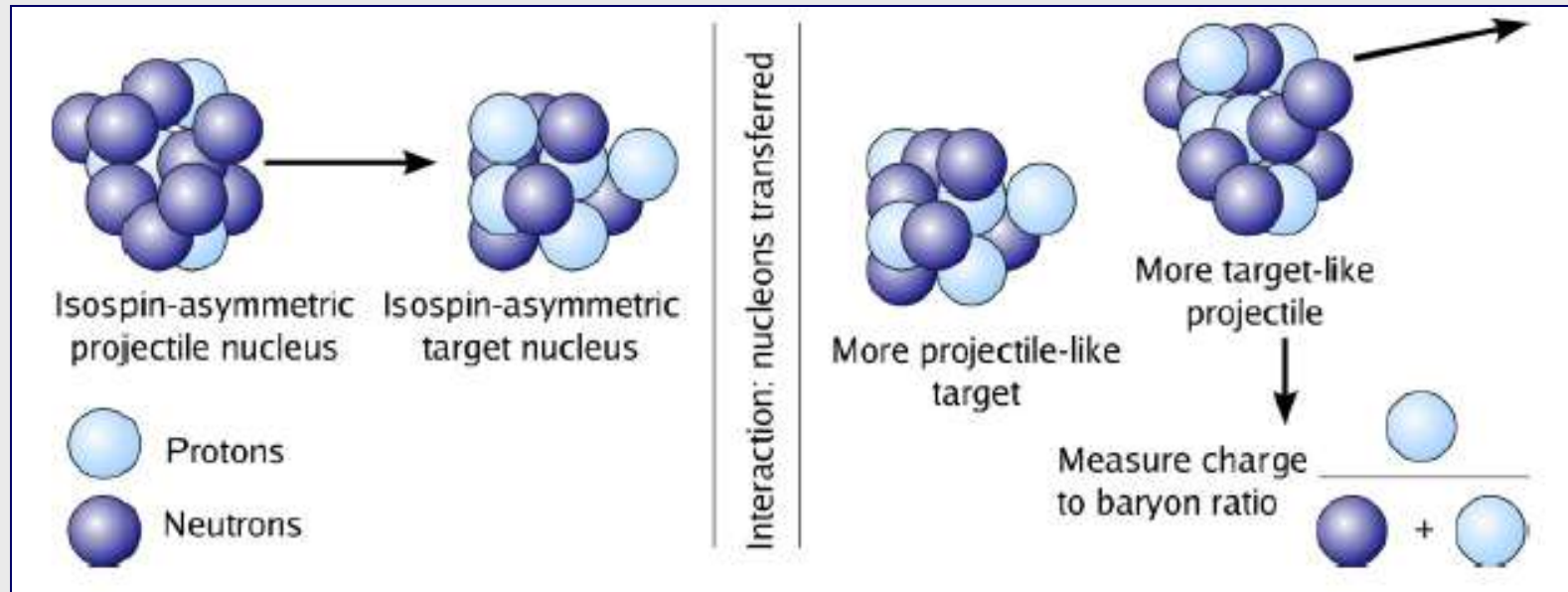
“Clusters in Nuclei and Nuclear Matter”

Constraints on the slope of the symmetry energy



isospin diffusion

figure from Lattimer and Prakash, Phys. Rep. (2007)



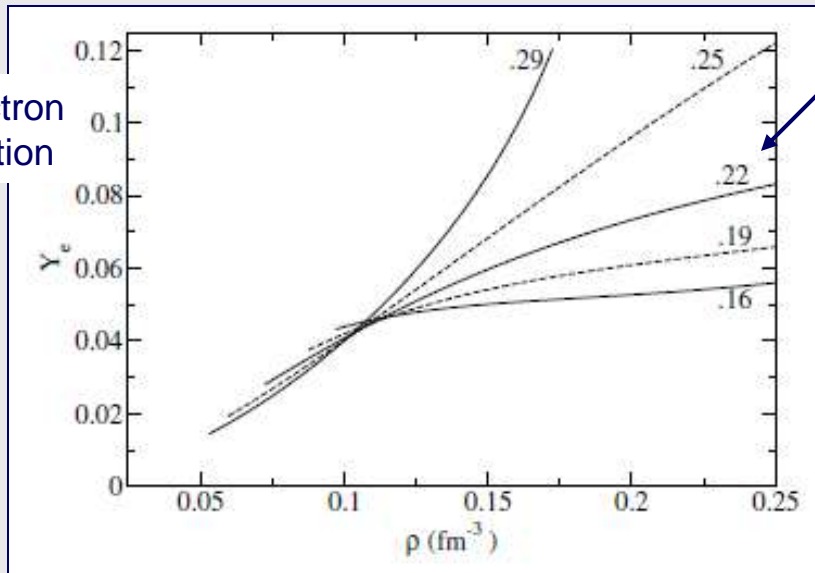
Tsang et al., PRL 102, 122701 (2009): $0.4 \leq \gamma \leq 1.0$
 $45 \text{ MeV} \leq L \leq 100 \text{ MeV}$

from isospin diffusion and neutron-proton double ratios
interpreted with ImQMD calculations by Y. Zhang et al.

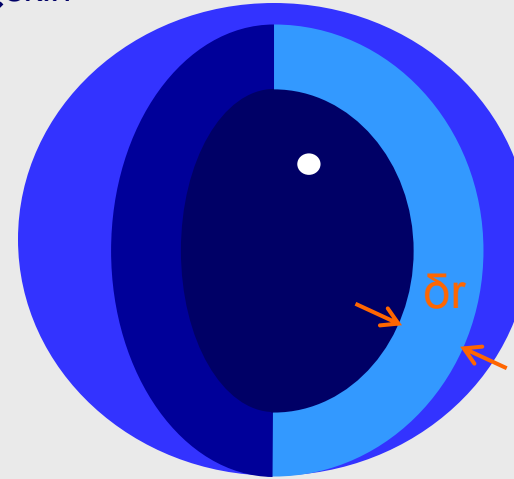
previously: $E_{\text{sym}}(\rho) \approx 31.6 \cdot (\rho/\rho_0)^{0.69}$ with IBUU04, Li and Chen, PRC72(2005)

neutron skin and the symmetry energy

electron fraction



neutron skin



neutron stars
 3×10^{30} kg

^{208}Pb nucleus
 3×10^{-25} kg

Horowitz & Piekarewicz, PRL 86 (2001): a data-to-data relation between the neutron skin of a heavy nucleus and the crust of a neutron star

JLAB E-003

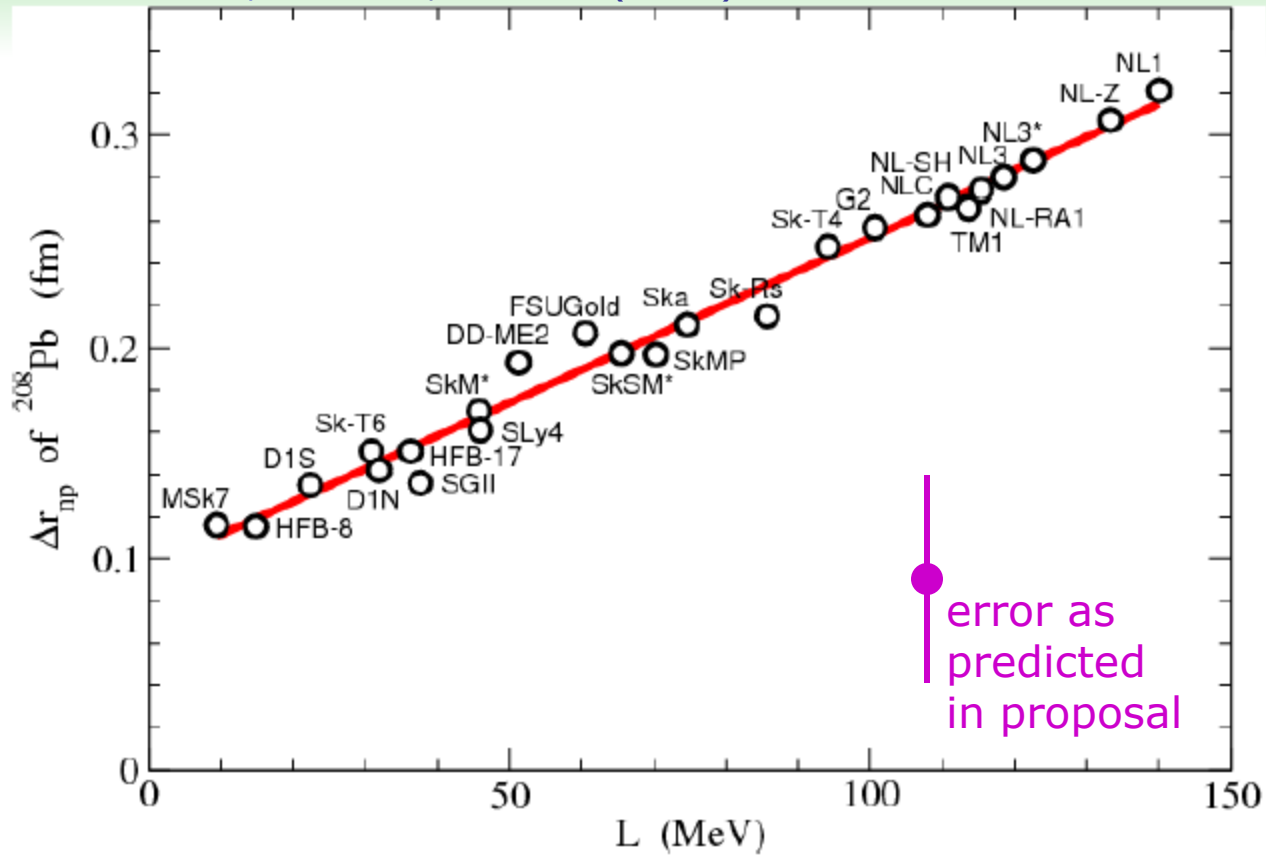
A CLEAN MEASUREMENT OF THE NEUTRON SKIN OF ^{208}Pb THROUGH PARITY VIOLATING ELECTRON SCATTERING

The Lead Radius Experiment (PREX) measures the parity violating asymmetry A_{pv} for 1.063 GeV electrons scattering from ^{208}Pb at 5 degrees.

This measurement should be sensitive to the neutron r.m.s radius of ^{208}Pb to 1%.

neutron skin and the symmetry energy

Roca-Maza et al., PRL 106, 252501 (2011)



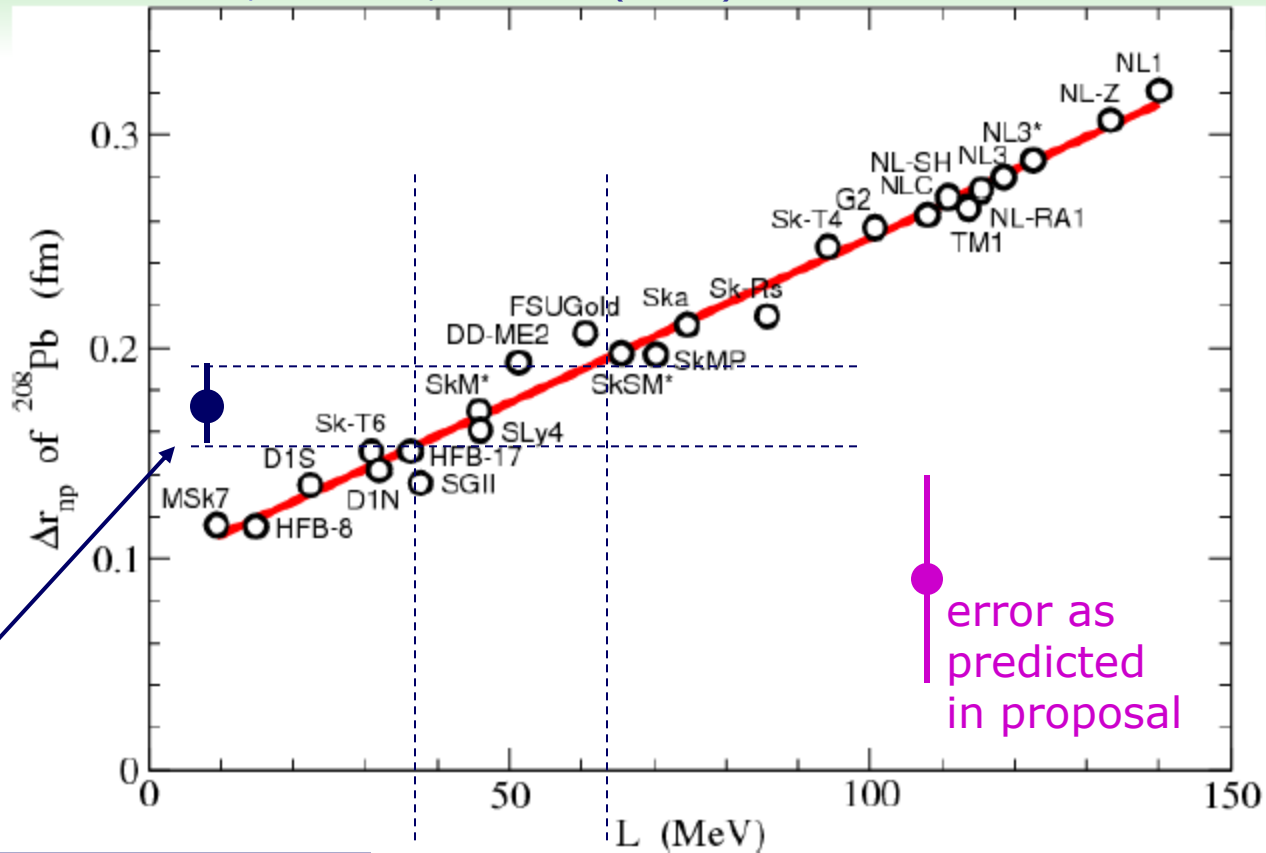
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error as
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LAND/GSI

$$\delta_{np} = 0.17 \pm 0.02$$

A. Klimkiewicz, PRL (2007)

RQRPA calculations by N. Paar

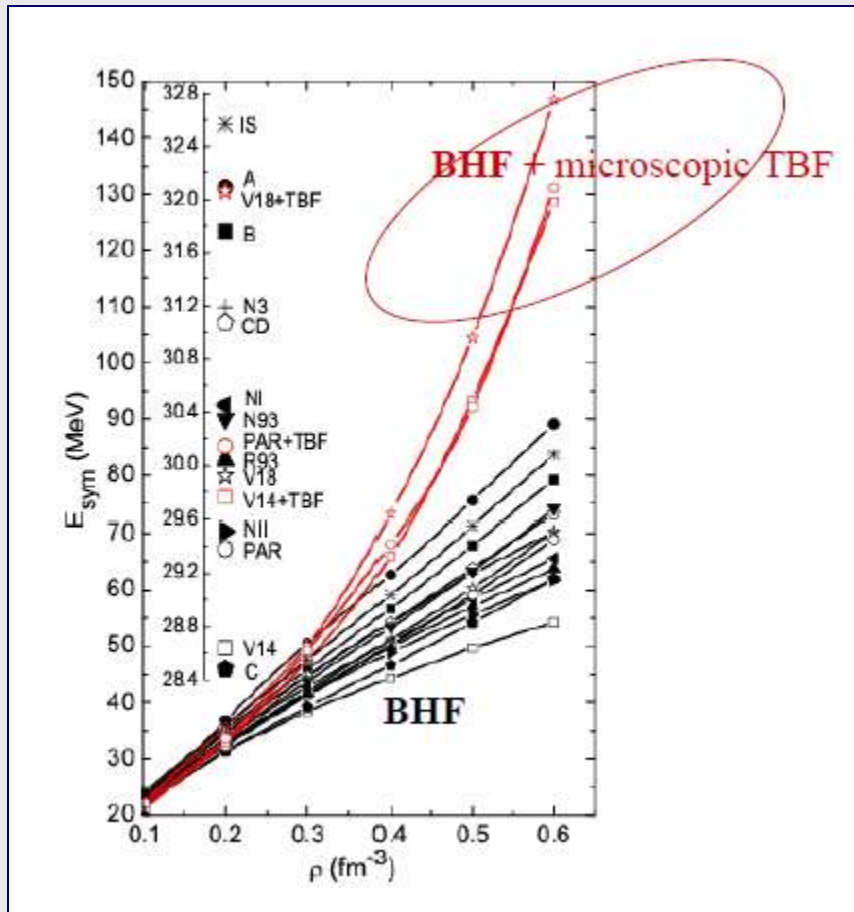
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slide from talk of X. Viñas, ECT*, Trento, June 2011

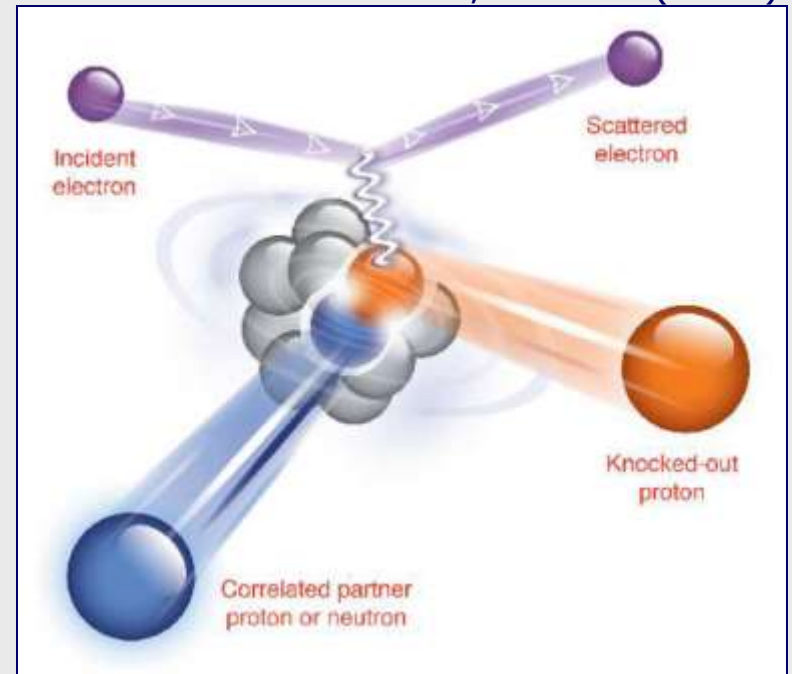
the symmetry energy at high density

why is it so uncertain ?

R. Subedi et al., Science (2008)

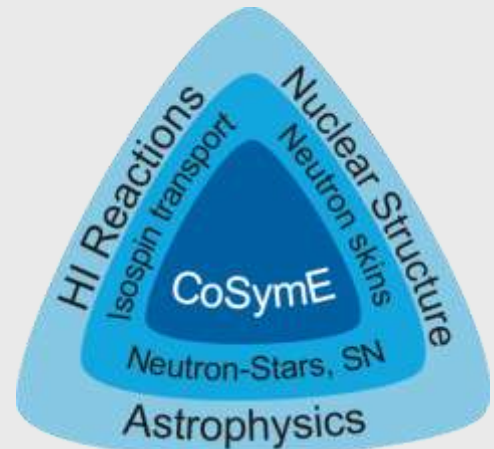


three body forces enhance the symmetry energy at high density (Fiorella Burgio, ASY-EOS Workshop, Noto, 2010)



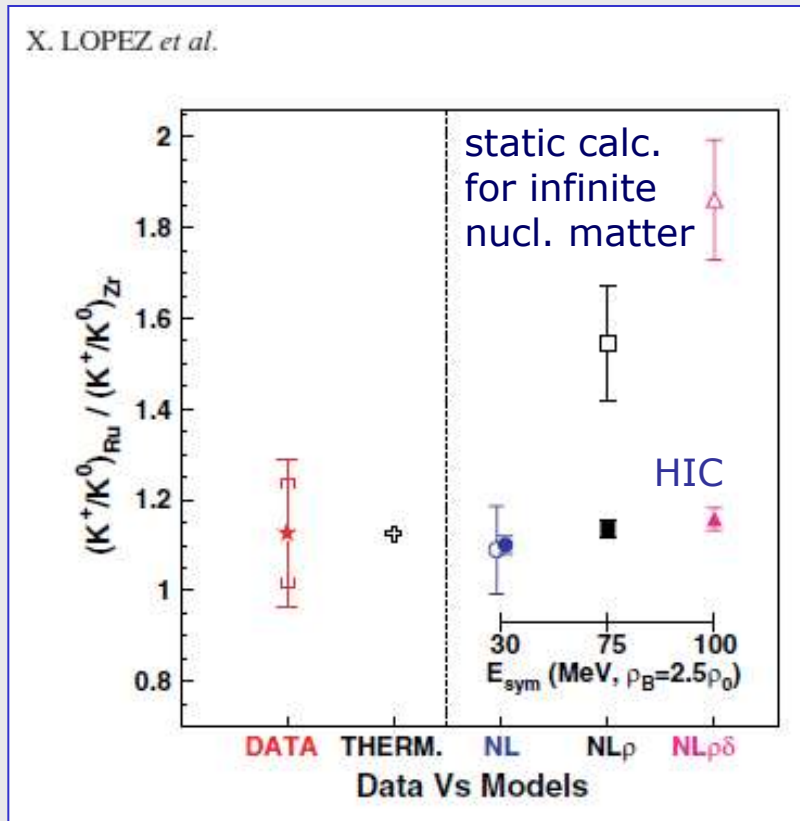
test of **short range correlations** in $^{12}\text{C}(e,e')$ at J-Lab show that the neutron-proton pairs are nearly twenty times as prevalent as proton-proton pairs; **modifies momentum distributions** in asymmetric matter and confirms the role of the **tensor force** acting in neutron-proton isosinglet pairs .

ESF Exploratory Workshop on
**How to Constrain the High Density
Symmetry Energy - HiDeSymEne**
16-18 October 2009, Zagreb, Croatia
Convened by: Zoran Basrak, RBI

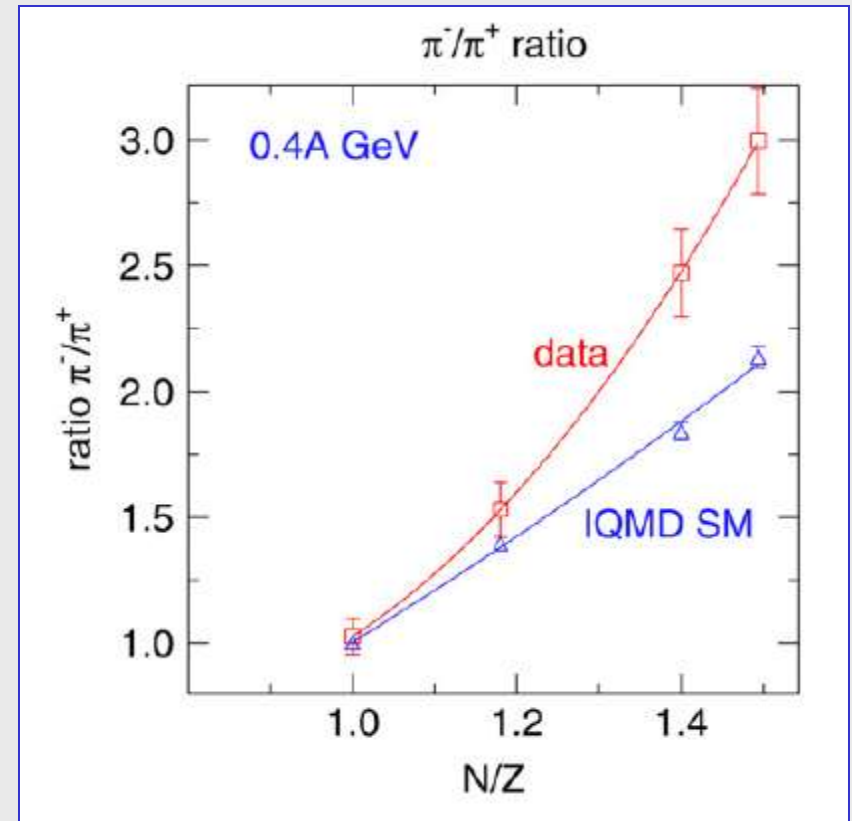


isotopic particle (double) ratios

FOPI data



HIC scenario:
fast neutron emission (mean field effect) and transformation of neutron into proton in inelastic channels (no-chemical equilibrium)



Ferini et al.	stiffer for ratio up
Xiao et al.	softer "
Feng and Jin	stiffer "

consequence: extremely stiff (soft) solutions

differential flow in heavy-ion collisions

minimizes role of isoscalar part of the EoS

differential: neutrons vs. protons
t vs. ^3He , ^7Li vs ^7Be , ...

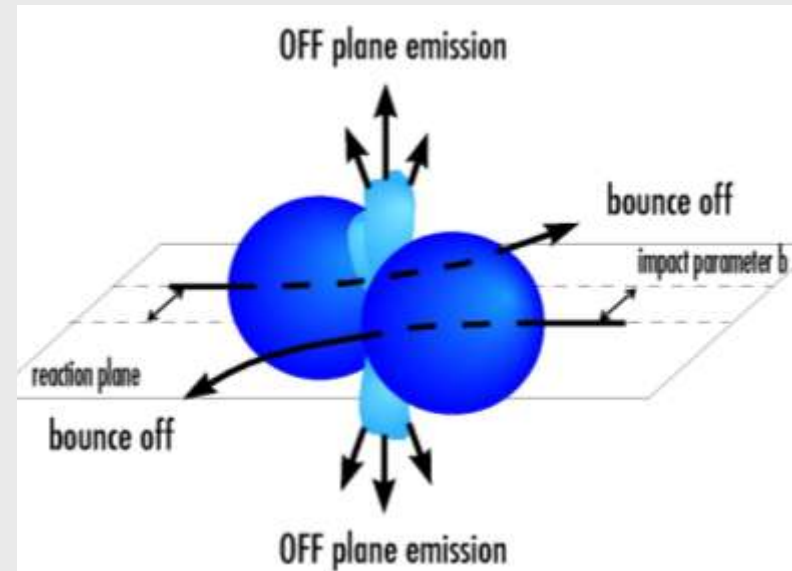
UrQMD: significant sensitivity
predicted for differential
elliptic flow

(Q.F. Li and P. Russotto)

promising results from **reanalysis of FOPI-LAND** data:

$$\gamma = 0.9 \pm 0.4$$

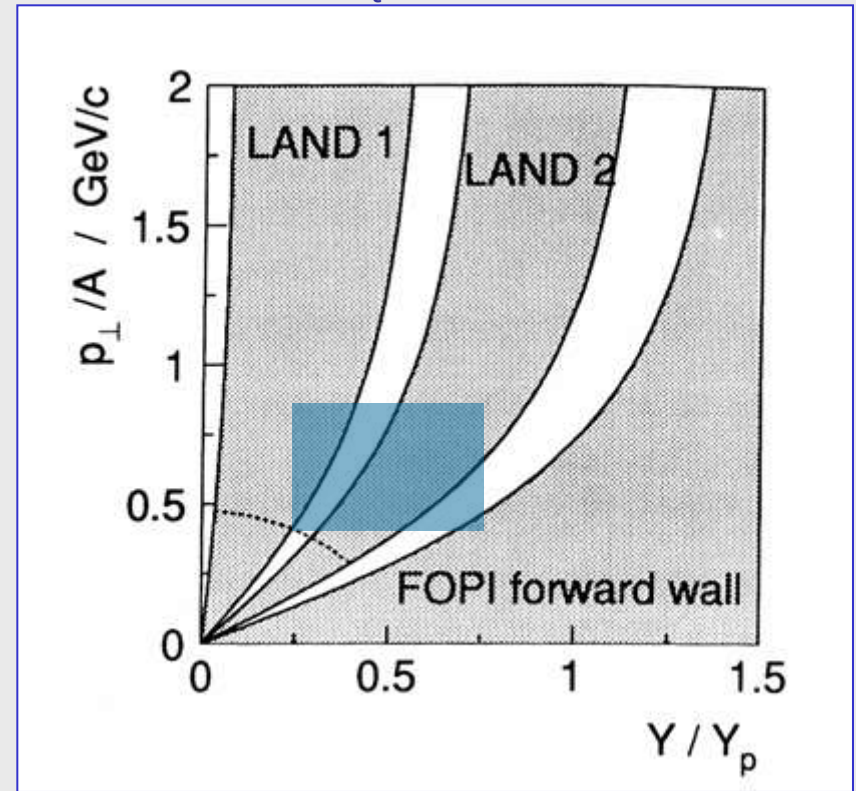
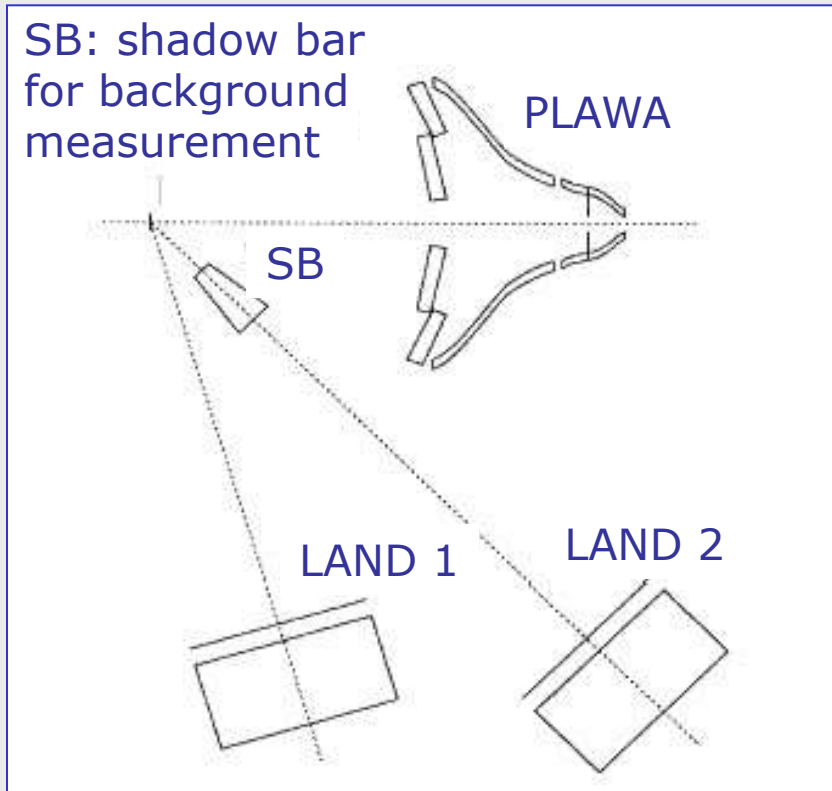
Russotto, Wu, Zoric, Chartier, Leifels, Lemmon, Li,
Lukasik, Pagano, Pawlowski, Trautmann,
PLB 697, 471 (2011)



results from FOPI/LAND experiment

reanalysis of Au+Au 400 A MeV data

acceptance in p_t vs. rapidity



 main yield here

azimuthal angular distributions

for neutrons, background subtracted

near **target rapidity**
mostly directed flow

at **mid-rapidity**
strong squeeze-out

near **projectile rapidity**
mostly directed flow

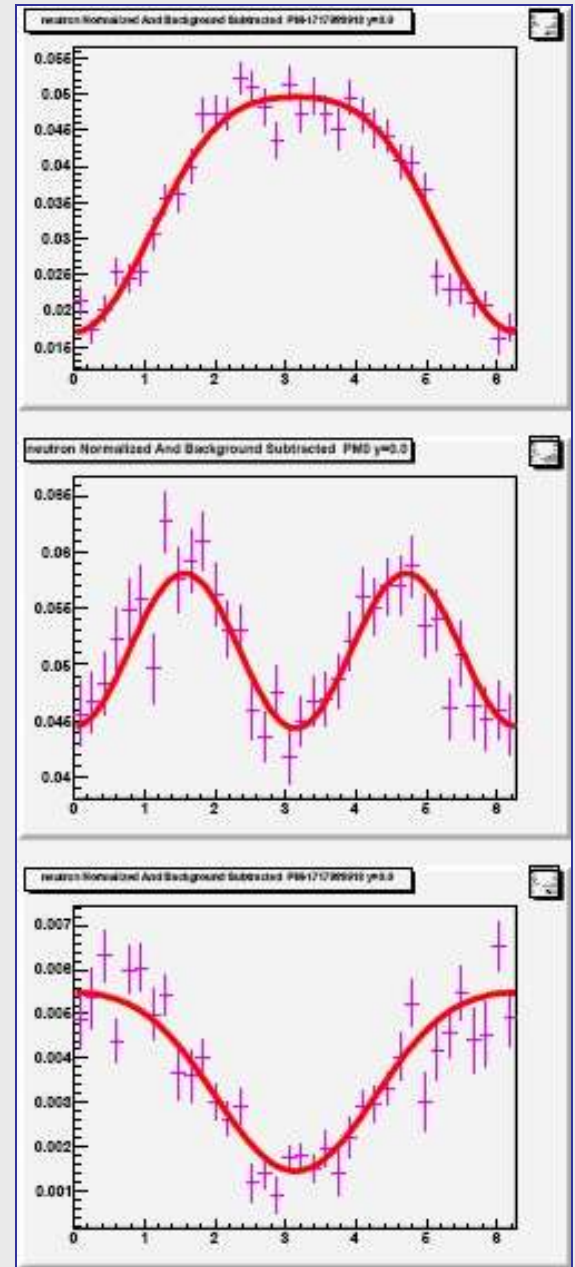
fitted with:

$$f(\Delta\varphi) = a_0 * (1.0 + 2\mathbf{v}_1 * \cos(\Delta\varphi) + 2\mathbf{v}_2 * \cos(2\Delta\varphi))$$

$$\Delta\varphi = \varphi_{\text{particle}} - \varphi_{\text{reaction plane}}$$

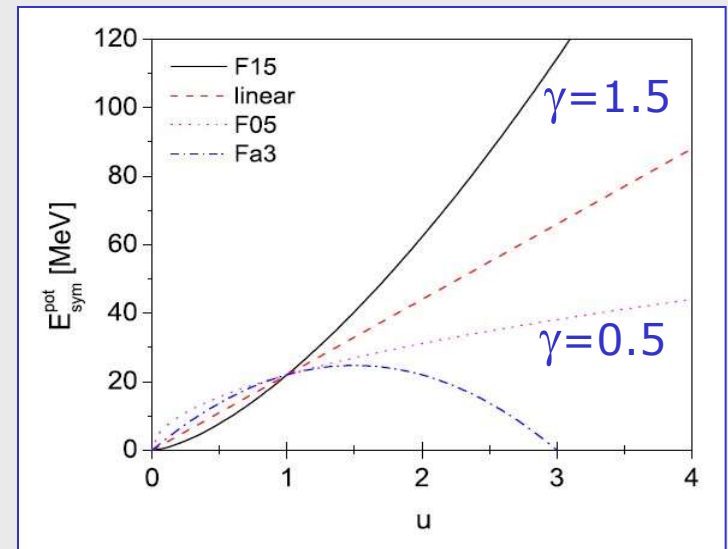
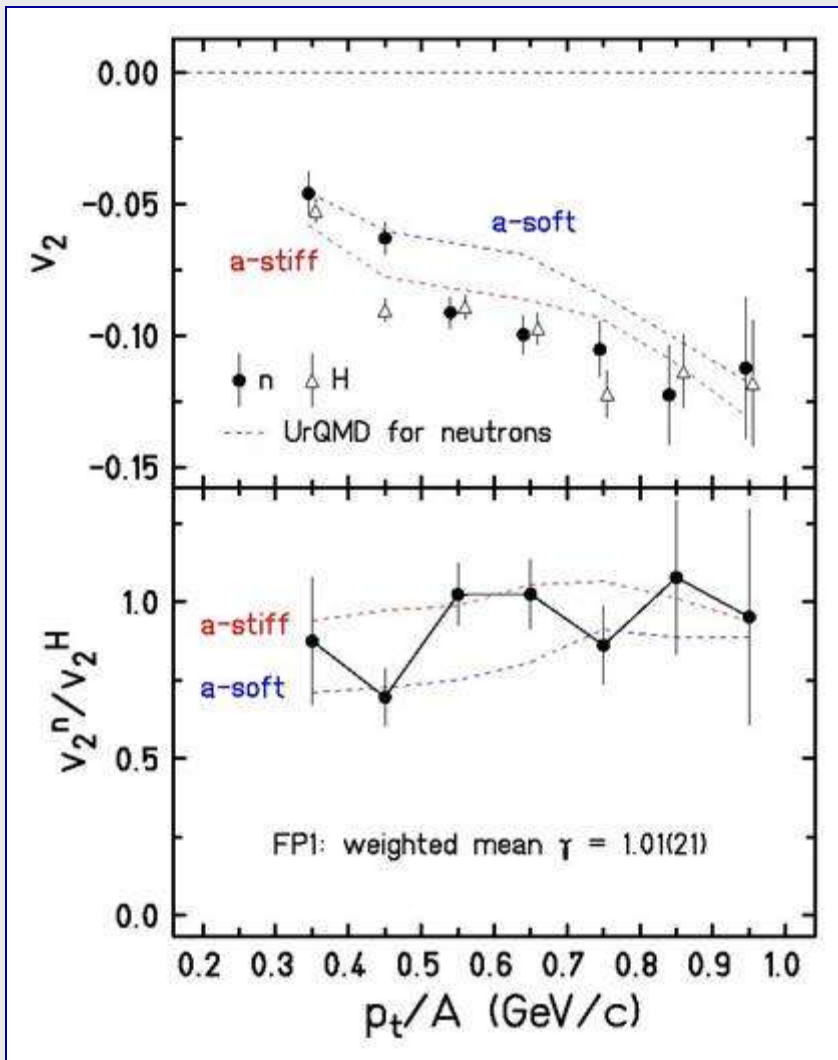
and compared to **UrQMD** model predictions

Q. Li et al., J. Phys. G 31(2005); 32 (2006)



results from FOPI/LAND experiment

parameters
in UrQMD,
Q.F. Li et al.



neutron/hydrogen

FP1: $\gamma = 1.01 \pm 0.21$

FP2: $\gamma = 0.98 \pm 0.35$

neutron/proton

FP1: $\gamma = 0.99 \pm 0.28$

FP2: $\gamma = 0.85 \pm 0.47$

adopted: $\gamma = 0.9 \pm 0.4$

summary

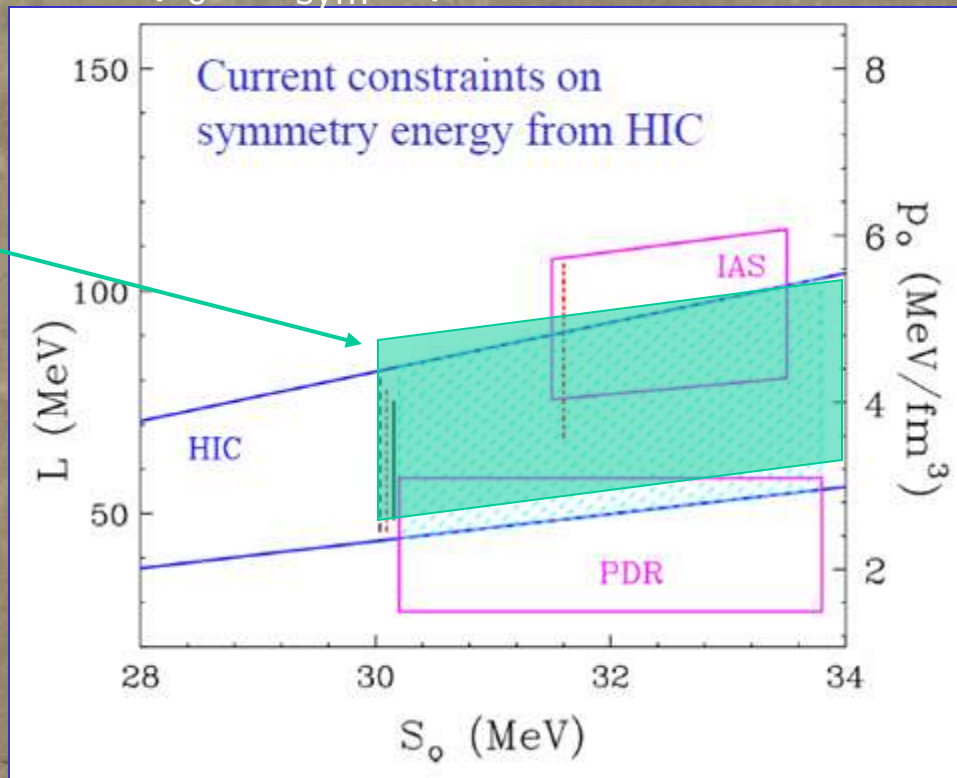
IAS isobaric analog states
Danielewicz/Lee 2008

HIC heavy-ion collisions
isospin diffusion, n/p ratios
Tsang et al., 2009

PDR pygmy dipole resonance
Klimkiewicz et al. 2007

$$L = 3\rho_0 \cdot \partial E_{\text{sym}} / \partial \rho$$

from elliptic n/p flow



see also "Complete Electric Dipole Response in ²⁰⁸Pb"
Tamii et al.,
arXiv:1104.5431

symmetry pressure
 $P_0 = (L/3)\rho_0$

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

from M.B. Tsang et al., PRL 102, 122701 (2009)
vertical lines: analyses with ImQMD (Zhang et al.)
and IBUU04 (Li and Chen)