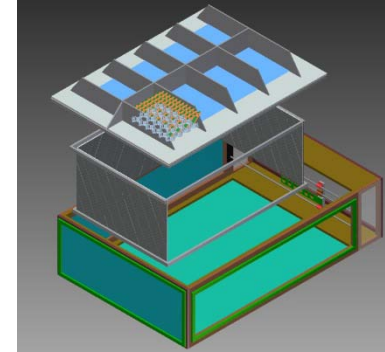


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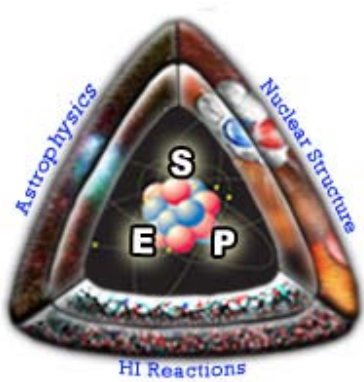
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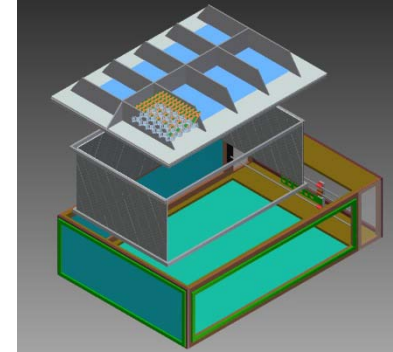
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**A national user facility for rare isotope research and education in nuclear science, astro-nuclear physics, accelerator physics, and societal applications**

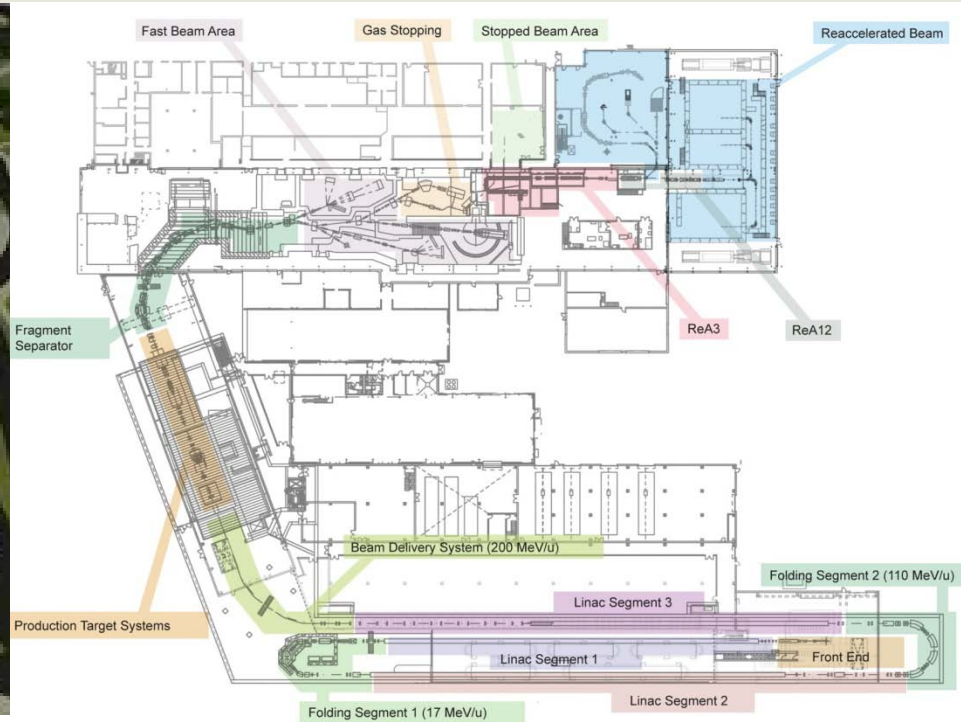
**431 employees, including 35 faculty, 70 graduate and 59 undergraduate students**

*as of December 7, 2010*





# Facility for Rare Isotope Beams (FRIB)



*FRIB will provide intense beams of rare isotopes (that is, short-lived nuclei not normally found on Earth). FRIB will enable scientists to make discoveries about the properties of these rare isotopes in order to better understand the physics of nuclei, nuclear astrophysics, fundamental interactions, and applications for society.*

*Cost: \$640M; construction start: 2013; completion: 2020*



# From Elements to Rare isotopes

From periodic table

to chart of nuclei

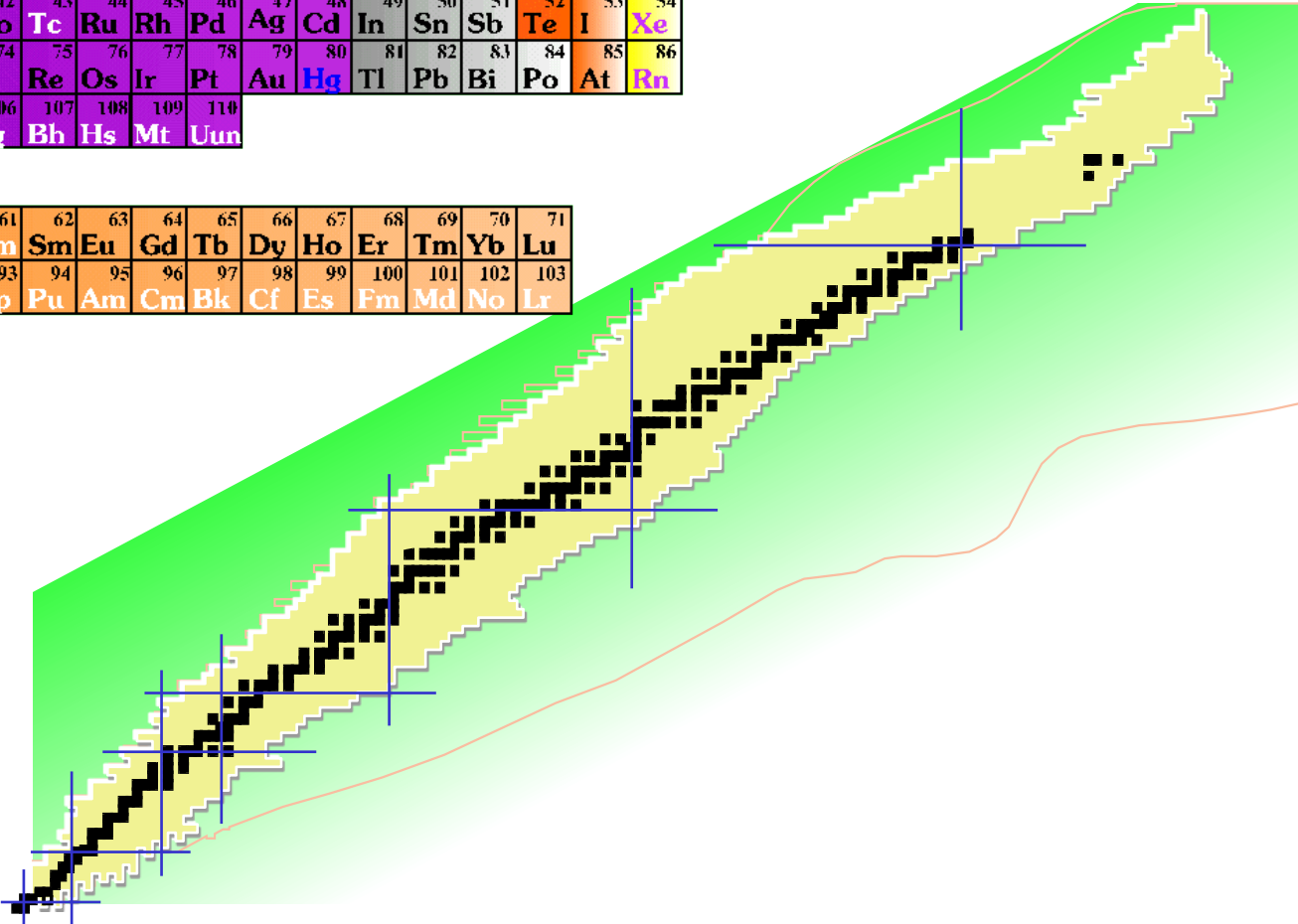
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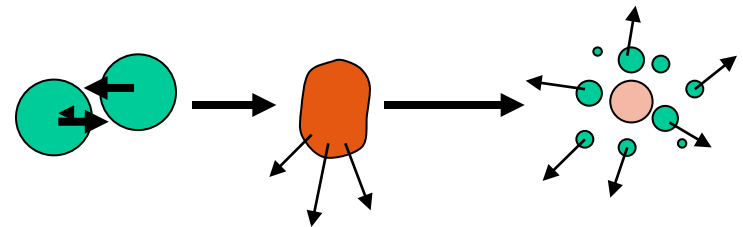
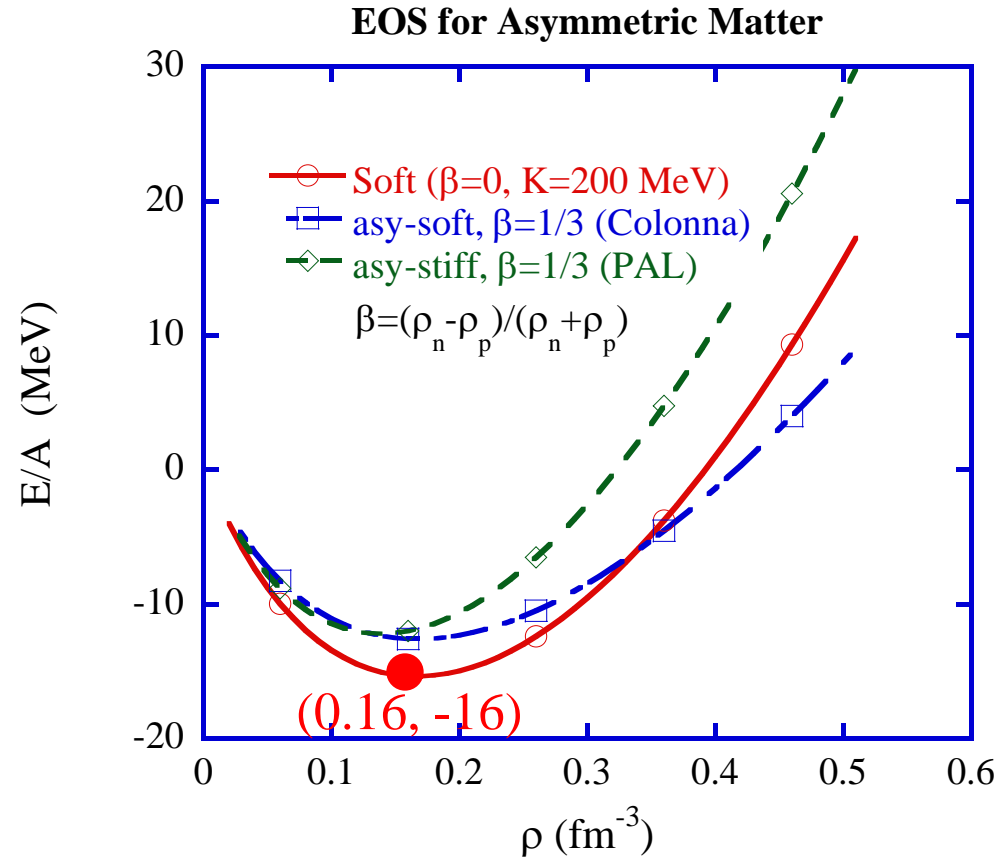
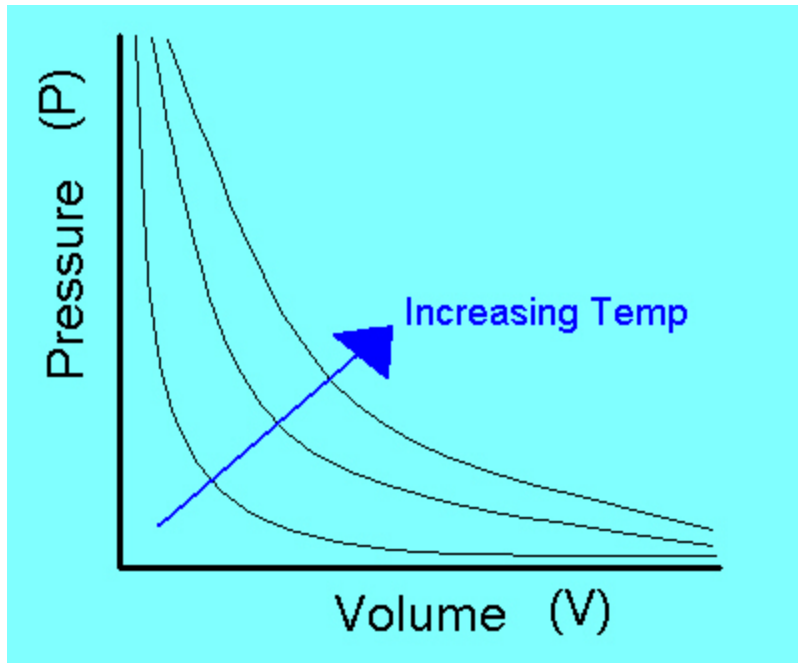


Neutron Number N



# Equation of State (EoS)

Ideal gas:  $PV=nRT$



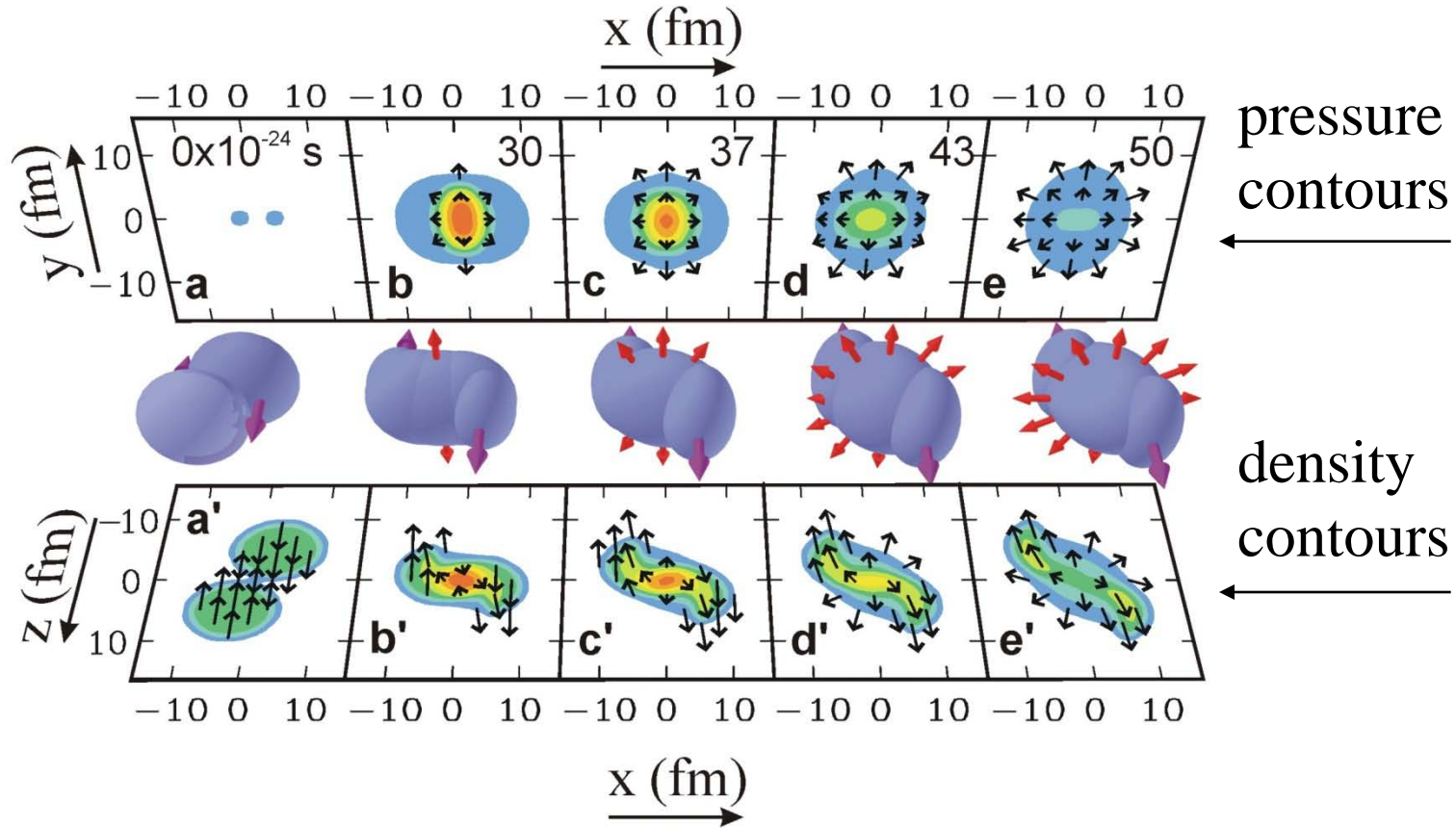
# How to determine nuclear EOS

- Measure collisions
- Simulate collisions with transport theory (BUU)
- Identify observables that are sensitive to EOS
  - Directed transverse flow (in-plane)
  - “Elliptical flow” out of plane, e.g. “squeeze-out”
  - ...
- Find the mean field(s) that describes the data.
- Constrain the relevant input variables in the transport models by additional data.
- Use the mean field potentials to calculate the EOS.



# Constraining the EOS using Heavy Ion collisions

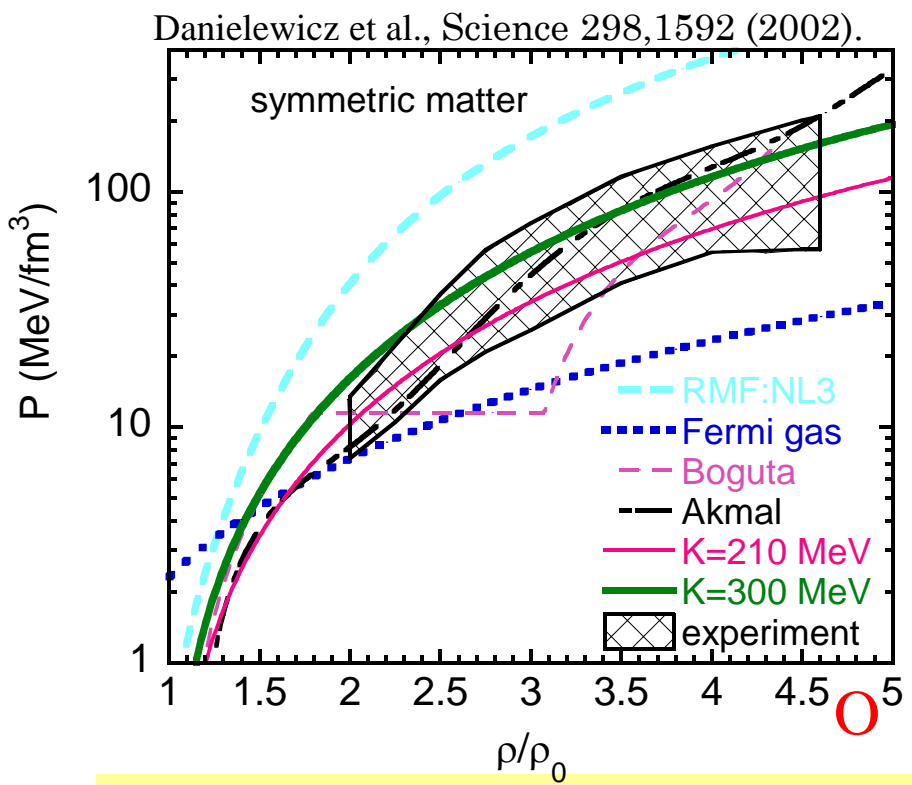
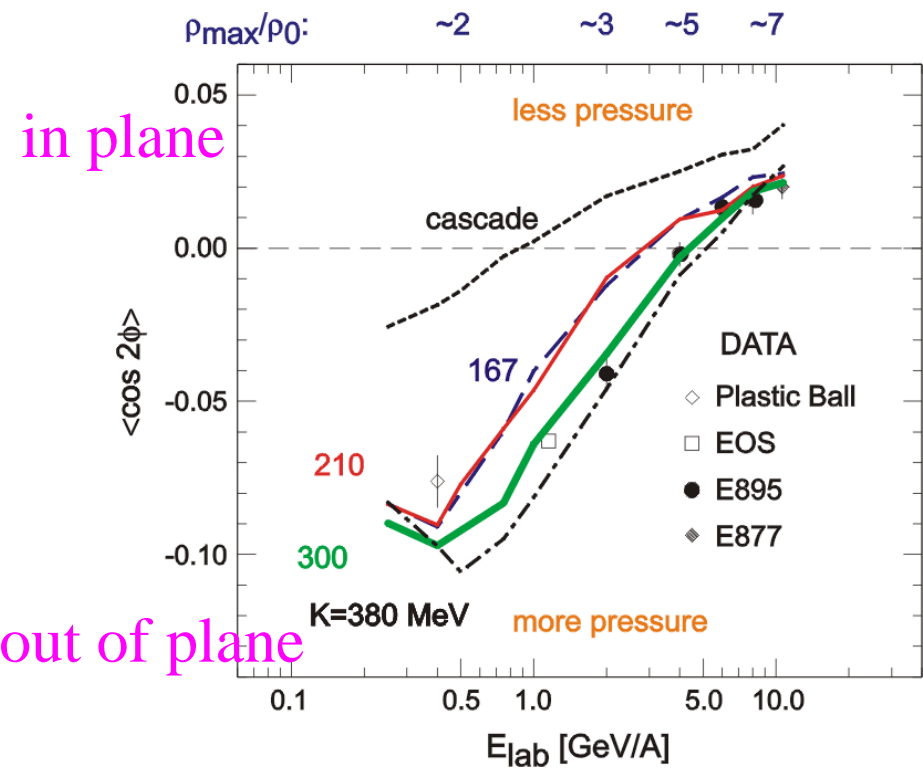
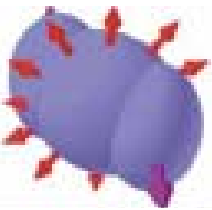
Au+Au collisions  $E/A = 1$  GeV



Two observable due to the high pressures formed in the overlap region:

- Nucleons deflected sideways in the reaction plane.
- Nucleons are “squeezed out” above and below the reaction plane. .

# Determination of symmetric matter EOS from nucleus-nucleus collisions



The curves represent calculations with parameterized Skyrme mean fields

They are adjusted to find the pressure that replicates the observed flow.

The boundaries represent the range of pressures obtained for the mean fields that reproduce the data.

They also reflect the uncertainties from the input parameters in the model.

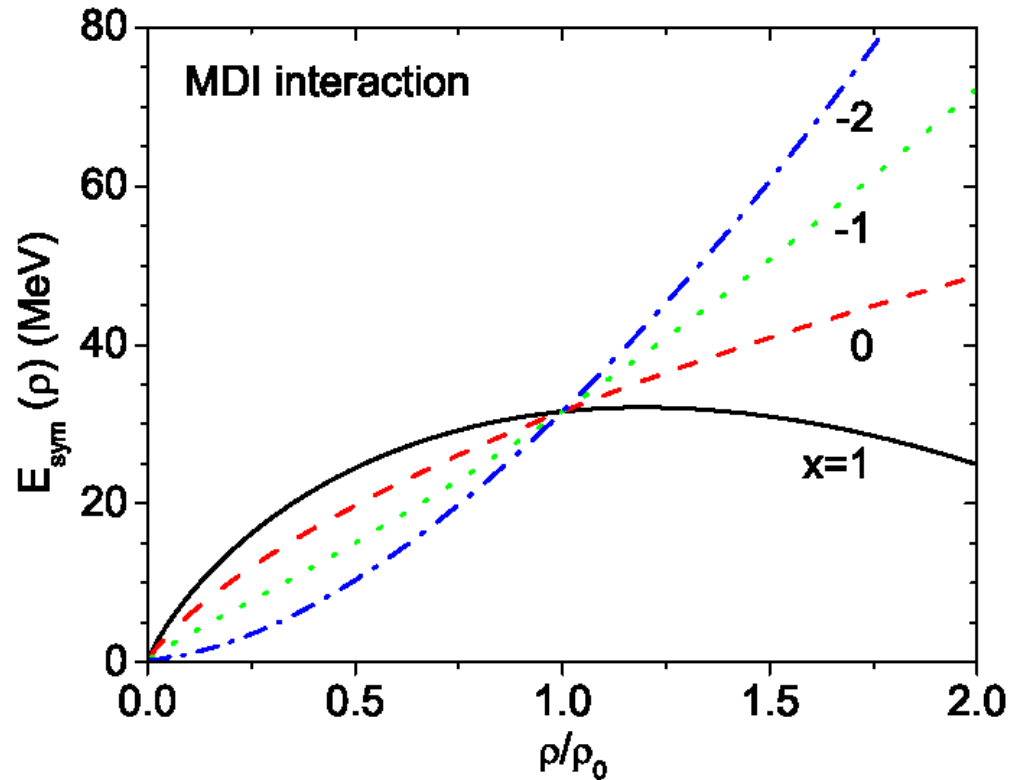
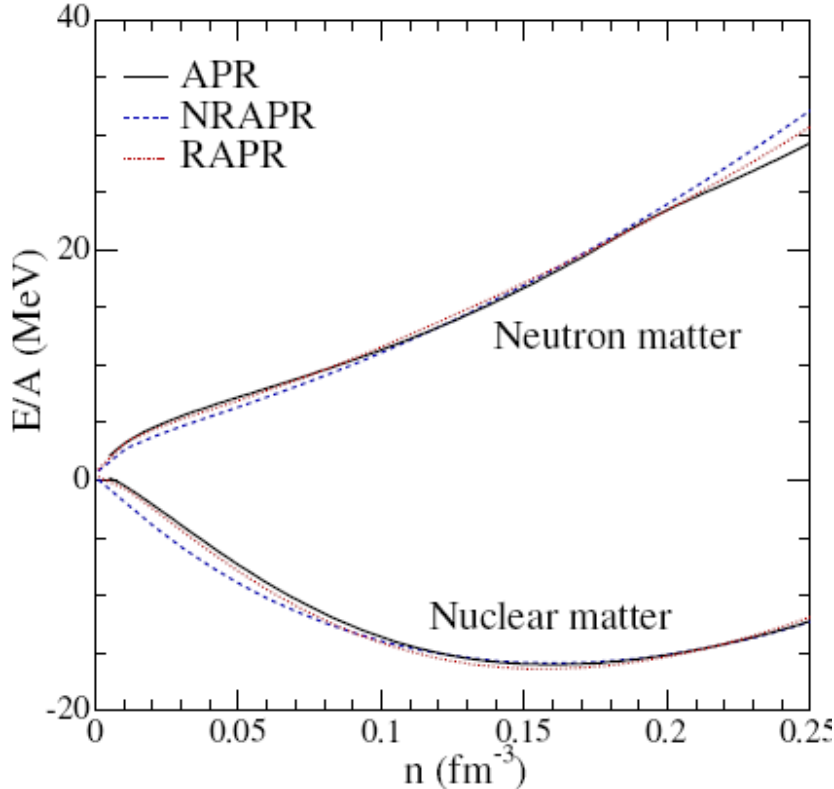
# Nuclear Equation of State of asymmetric matter

$$E/A(\rho, \delta) = E/A(\rho, 0) + \delta^2 \cdot S(\rho)$$

$$\delta = (\rho_n - \rho_p) / (\rho_n + \rho_p) = (N - Z) / A$$

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

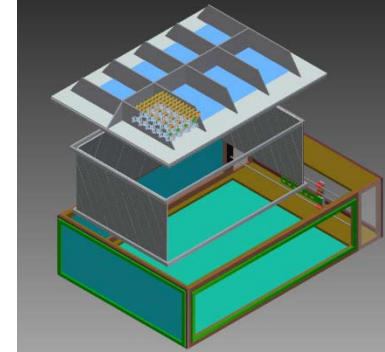
$$L = 3\rho_0 \left. \frac{\partial E_{sym}}{\partial \rho_B} \right|_{\rho_B = \rho_0} = \frac{3}{\rho_0} P_{sym}$$



Density dependence of symmetry energy



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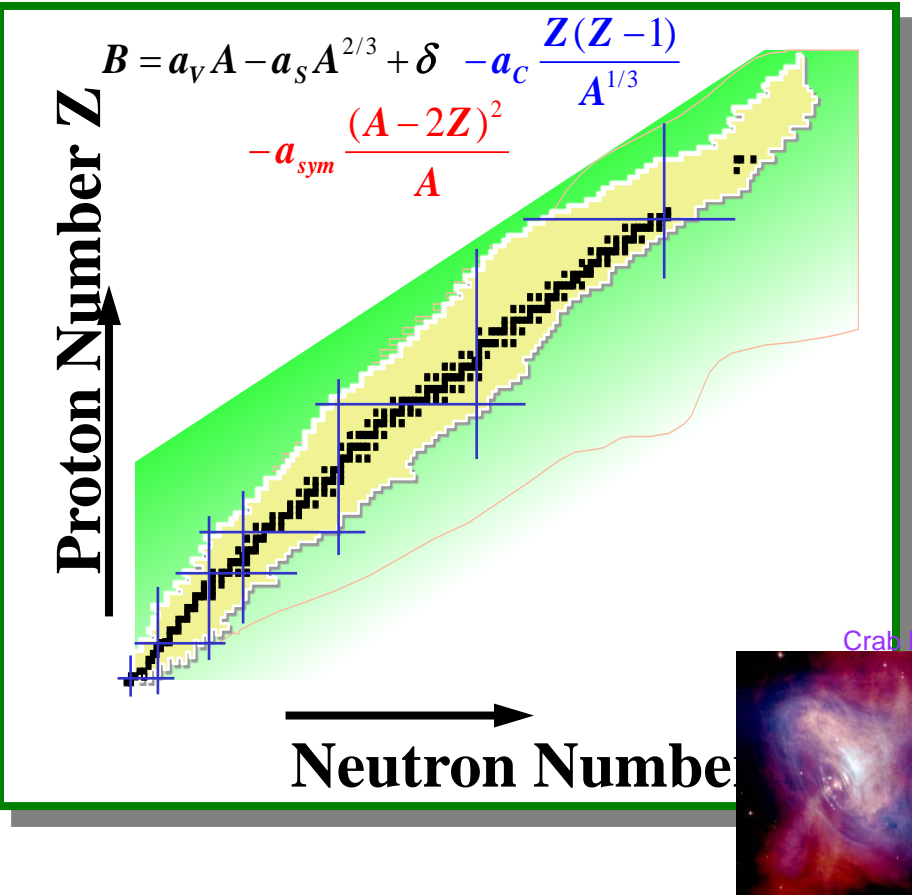


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# Strategies used to study the symmetry energy with Heavy Ion collisions

## Isospin degree of freedom



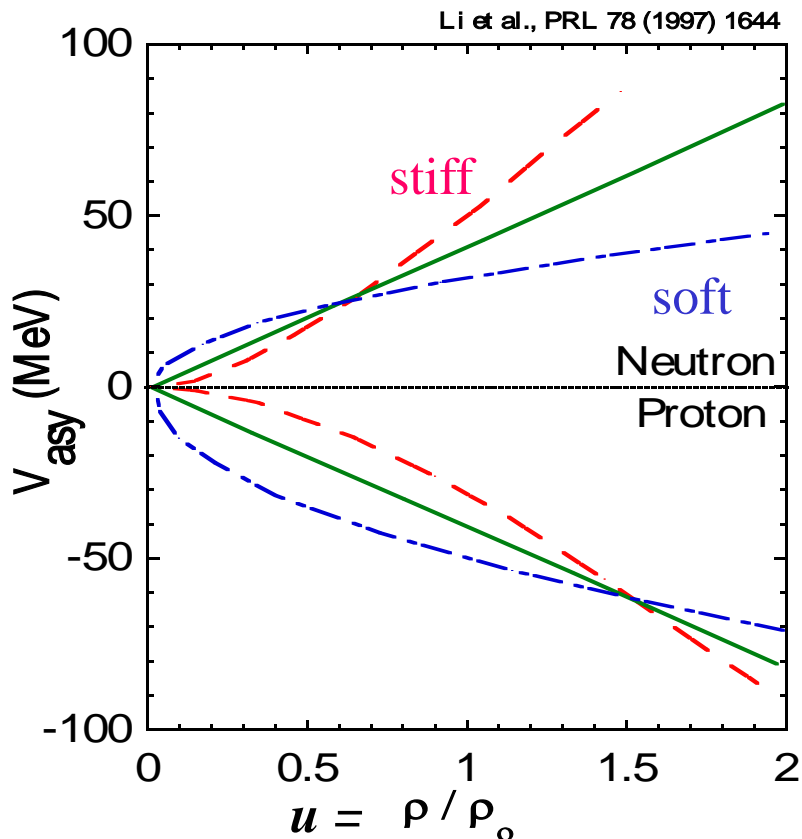
- Vary the N/Z compositions of projectile and targets
  - $^{124}\text{Sn} + ^{124}\text{Sn}$ ,  $^{124}\text{Sn} + ^{112}\text{Sn}$ ,  $^{112}\text{Sn} + ^{124}\text{Sn}$ ,  $^{112}\text{Sn} + ^{112}\text{Sn}$
- Measure N/Z compositions of emitted particles
  - n & p yields
  - isotopes yields – isospin diffusion
- Results interpreted with transport models that simulate the collisions.



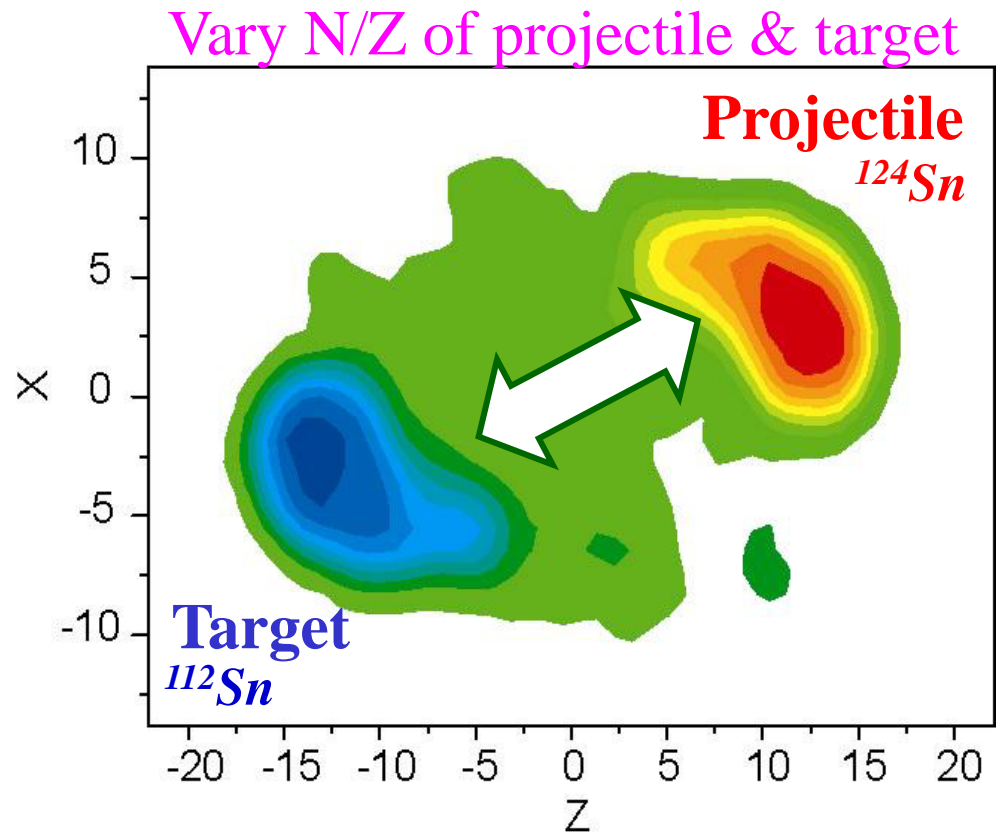
# Two observables: n/p ratios and isospin diffusion

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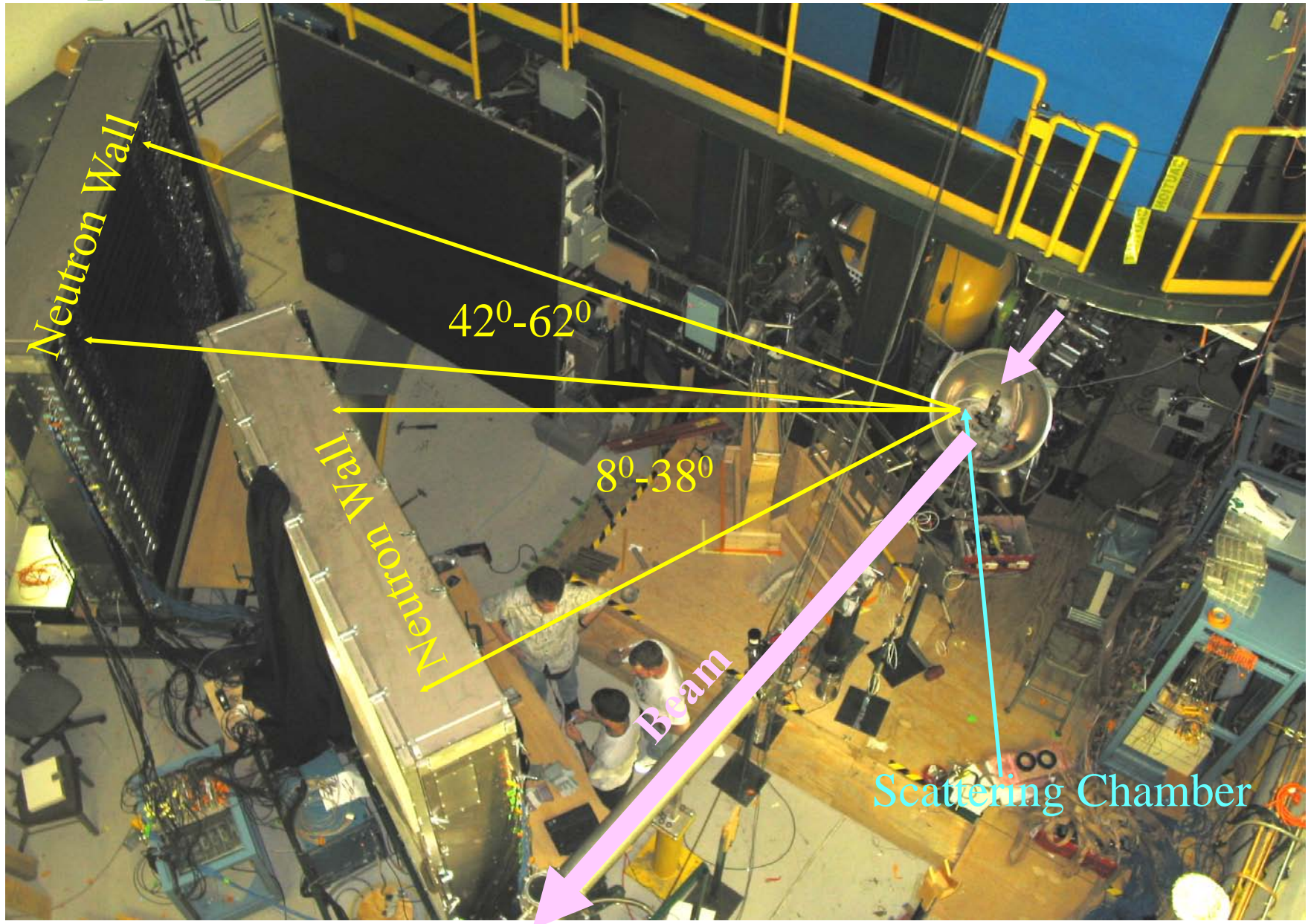


$Y(n)/Y(p)$ ;  $t/{}^3\text{He}$ ,  $\pi^+/\pi^-$



Isospin Diffusion; low  $\rho$ ,  $E_{\text{beam}}$

# n/p Experiment $^{124}\text{Sn}+^{124}\text{Sn}$ ; $^{112}\text{Sn}+^{112}\text{Sn}$ ; $E/A=50$ MeV





# Isotope Distribution Experiment

*MSU, IUCF, WU collaboration*

**Sn+Sn collisions involving  $^{124}\text{Sn}$ ,  $^{112}\text{Sn}$  at  $E/A=50$  MeV**

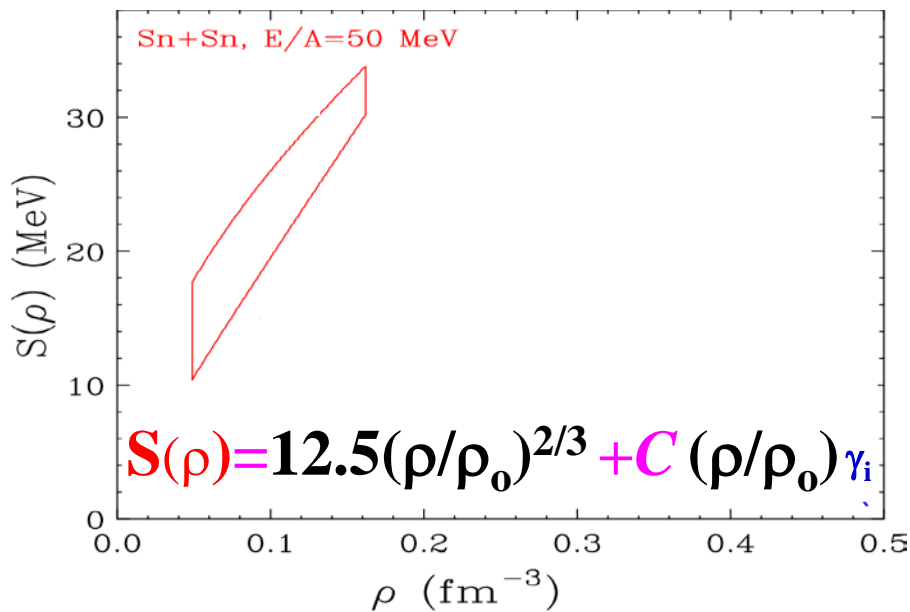
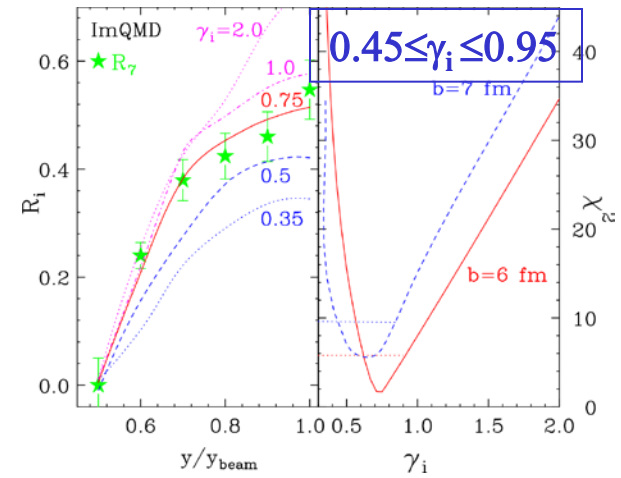
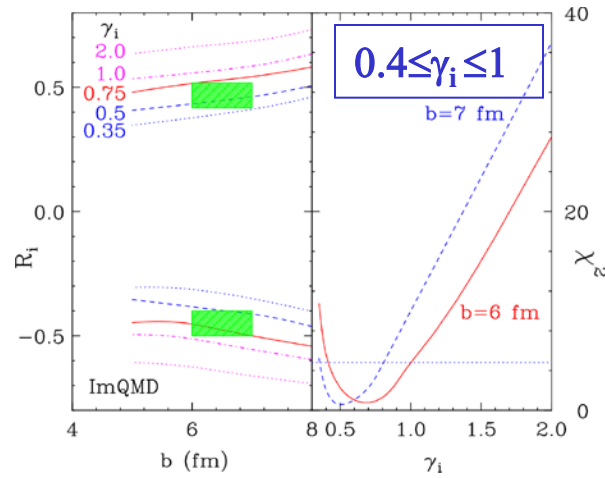
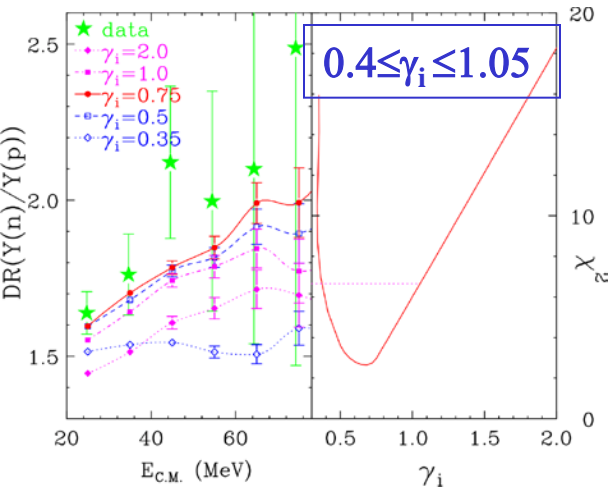


*Miniball + Miniwall  
4  $\pi$  multiplicity array  
Z identification,  $A < 4$*

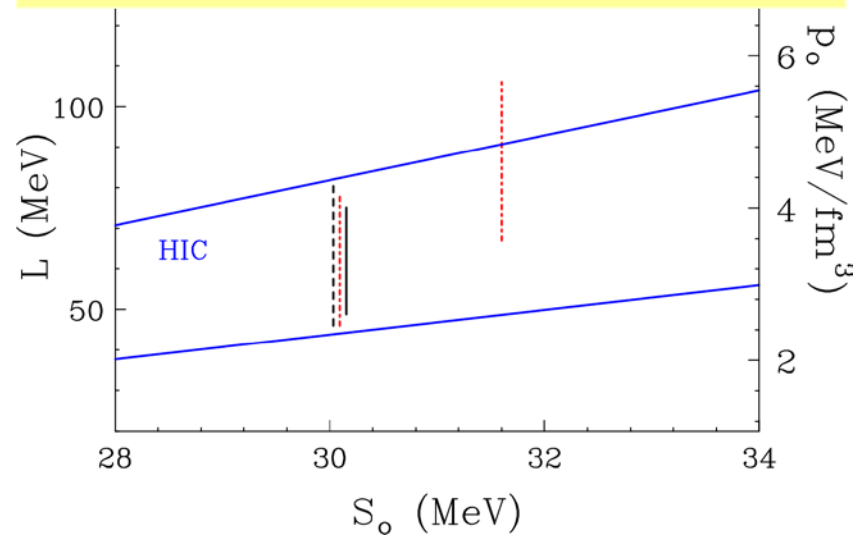
*LASSA  
Si strip + CsI array  
Good E, position,  
isotope resolutions*

*Xu et al, PRL, 85, 716 (2000)*

# Constraints from np ratios and two isospin diffusion measurements

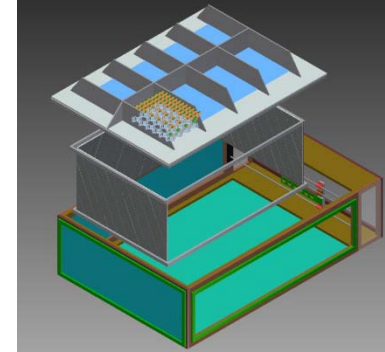


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# Symmetry Energy in Nuclei

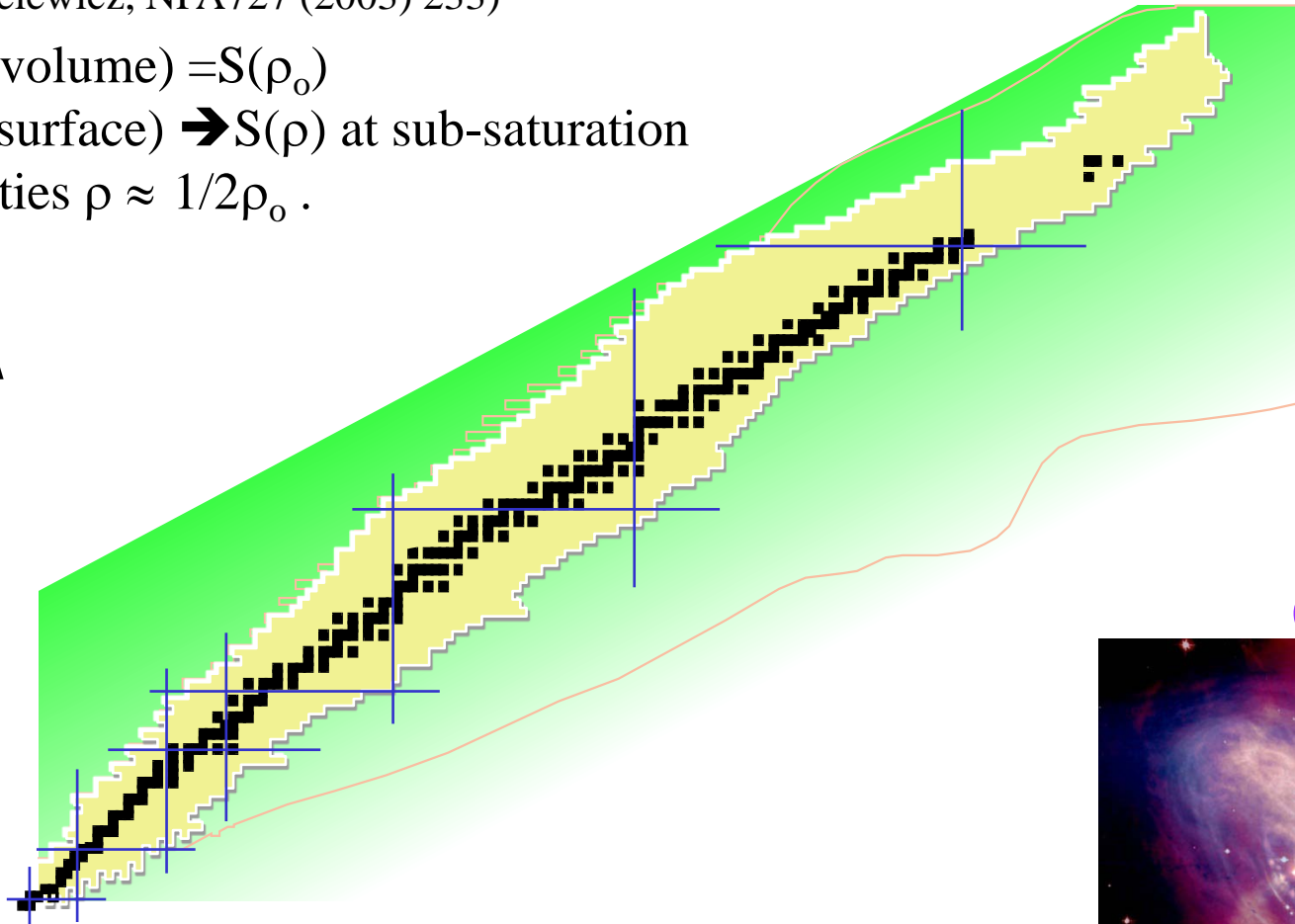
$$B = a_V A - a_S A^{2/3} + \delta - a_C \frac{Z(Z-1)}{A^{1/3}} - a_{sym} \frac{(A-2Z)^2}{A}$$

(Danielewicz, NPA727 (2003) 233)

$a_{sym}$  (volume) =  $S(\rho_0)$

$a_{sym}$  (surface)  $\rightarrow S(\rho)$  at sub-saturation densities  $\rho \approx 1/2\rho_0$ .

Proton Number Z



Neutron Number N



Crab Pulsar



Hubble ST

# Nuclear masses and the EoS

$$M_{A,Z}c^2 = Zm_p c^2 + (A - Z)m_n c^2 - B_{A,Z}$$

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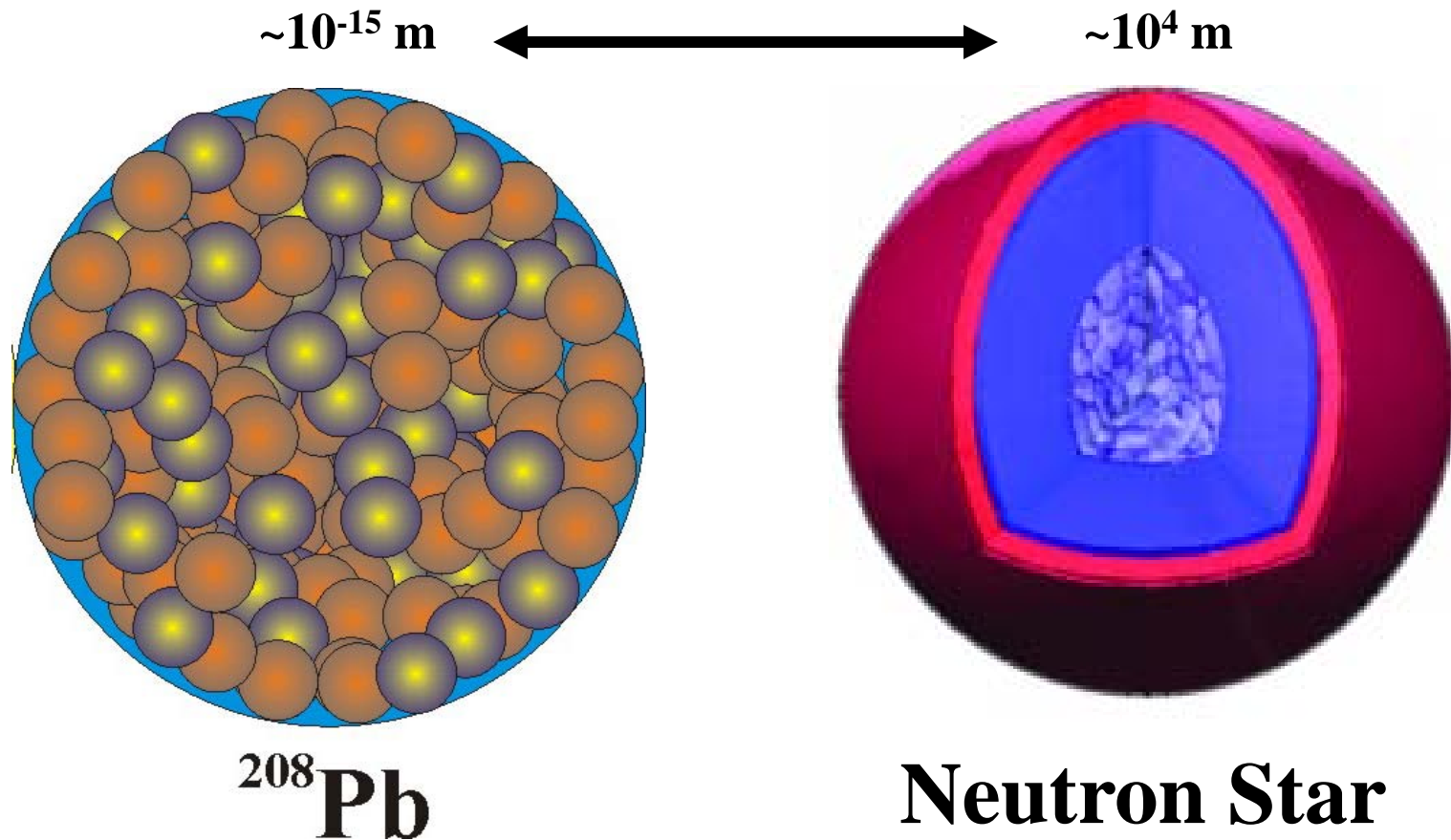
- Fits of the binding energy formula to experimental masses to provide values for  $a_v$ ,  $a_s$ ,  $a_c$ ,  $a_{sym}$  and  $\delta$  using AME2003, NPA 729, (2003) 129, 337.
- **Problems:** The binding energy formula is not unique

$$a_{sym} A \frac{(N-Z)^2}{A^2} \text{ OR } (-a_v b_1 + a_s b_2 A^{2/3}) \frac{(N-Z)^2}{A^2} \text{ OR } \frac{\alpha A}{1 + (\alpha/\beta) A^{-1/3}} \frac{(N-Z)^2}{A^2}$$

- **Problems:**  $a_{sym}$  is small compared to other terms.  $a_c$ ,  $a_{sym}$  are strongly correlated & shell effects are large.
- The best fits may not give reasonable parameters.
- Can we isolate  $a_{sym}$  from the rest of formula?



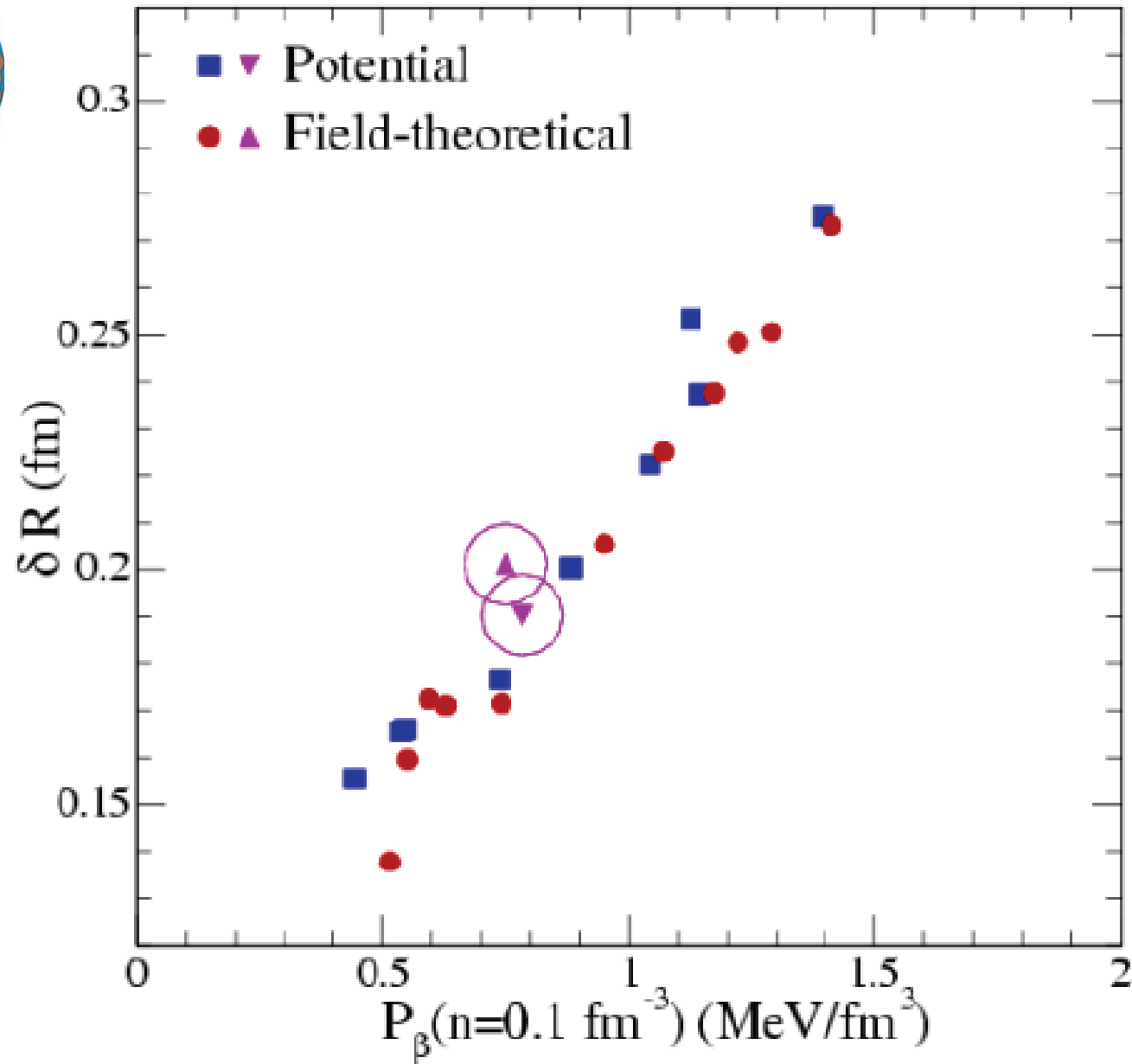
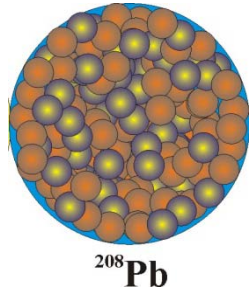
# Symmetry energy on vastly differing length scales



extrapolation from  $^{208}\text{Pb}$  radius to n-star radius

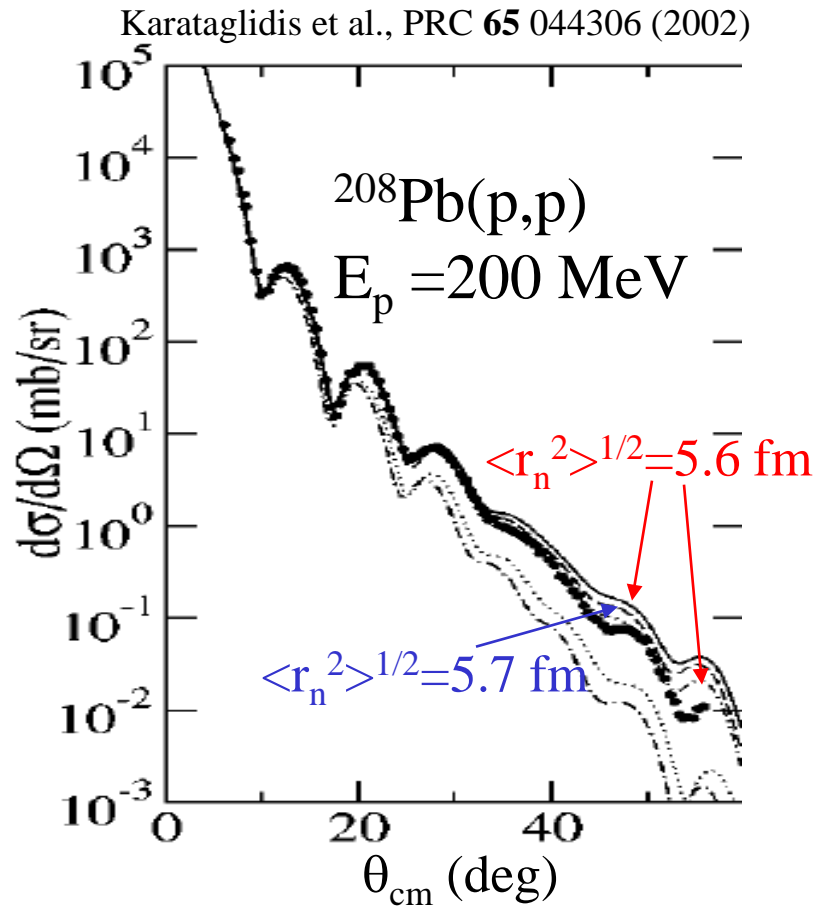
C.J. Horowitz, J. Piekarewicz, Phys. Rev. Lett. 86 (2001) 5647

# Extrapolation from $^{208}\text{Pb}$ radius to n-star radius





# Measurements of radii



- Proton elastic scattering is sensitive to the neutron density, but the results can be ambiguous.
- Parity violating electron scattering may provide strong constraints on  $\langle r_n^2 \rangle^{1/2} - \langle r_p^2 \rangle^{1/2}$  and on  $S(\rho)$  for  $\rho < \rho_s$ . Expected uncertainties are of order 0.06 fm. (Horowitz et al., Phys. Rev. 63, 025501(2001).)

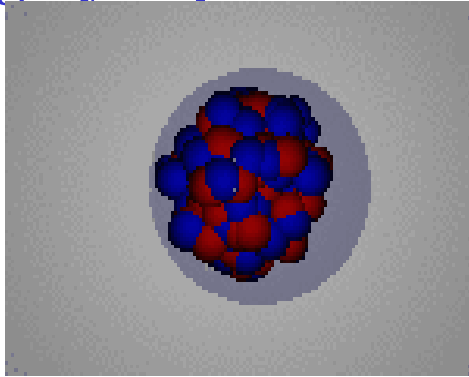
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**Pygmy Dipole Resonance**

**Giant Dipole Resonance**

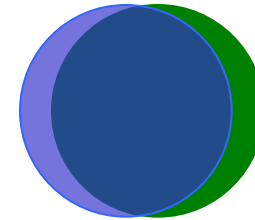
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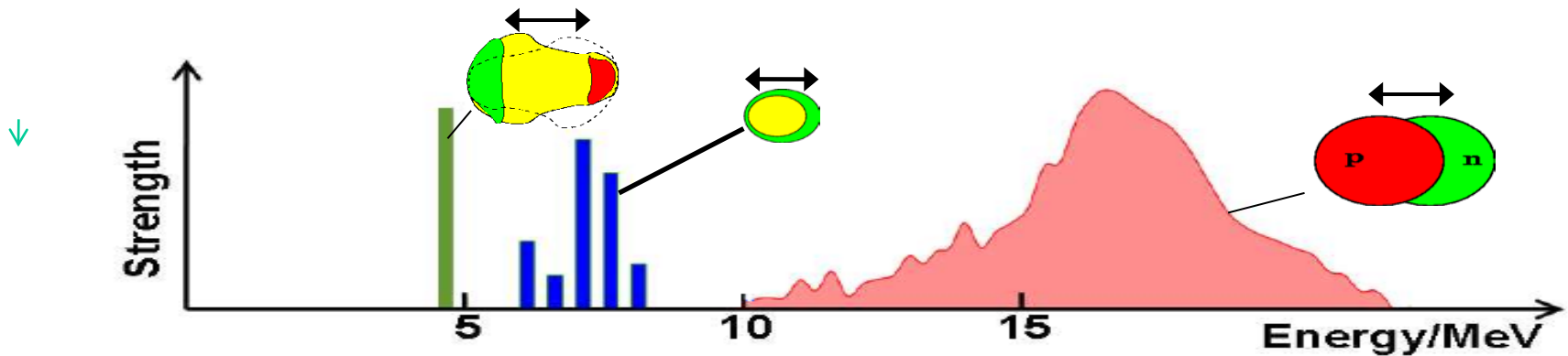


Collective oscillation of neutron skin against the Core  $\rightarrow$  n-skin thickness

## Giant Dipole Resonance



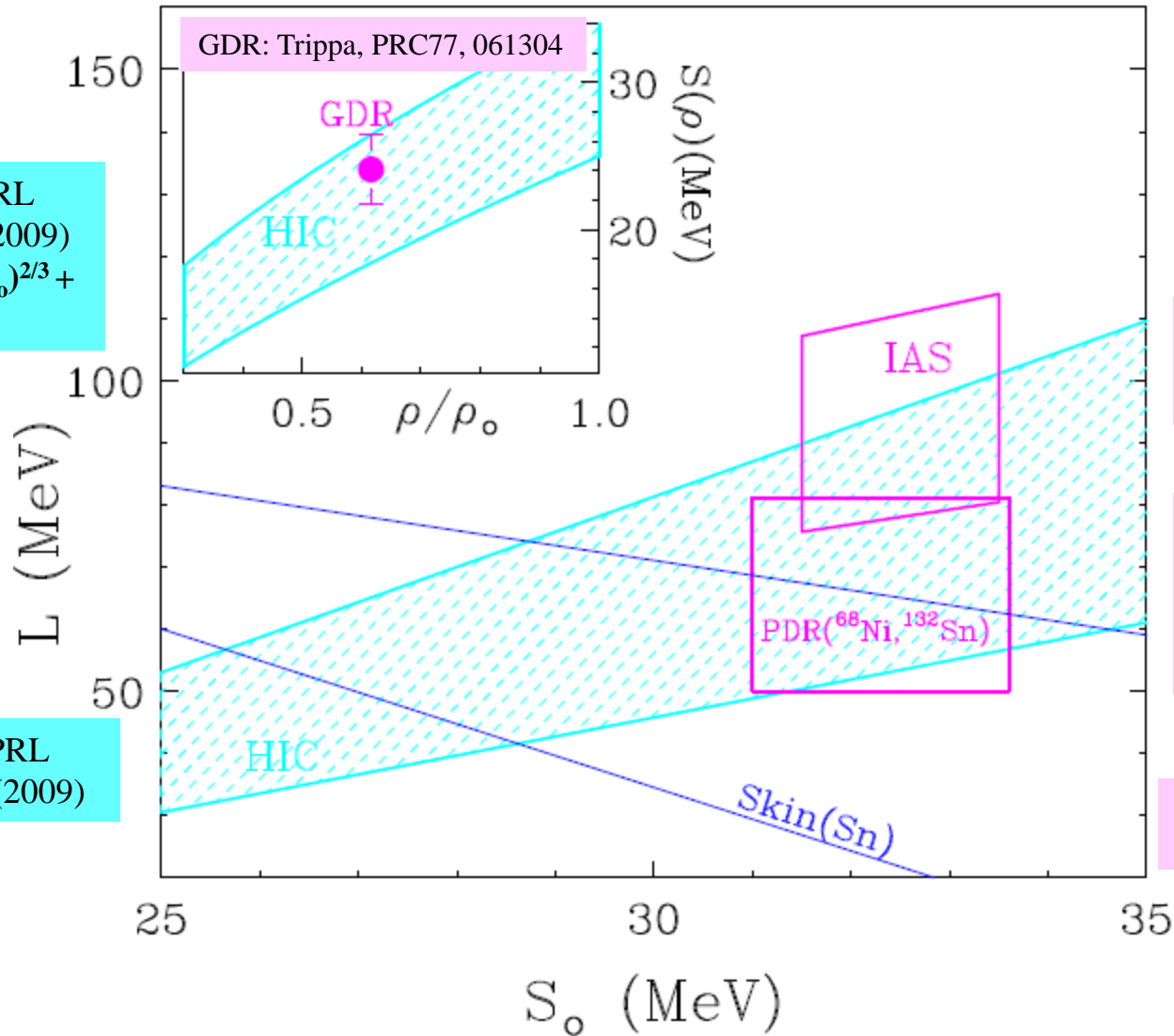
Collective oscillation of neutrons against protons



# Constraints on symmetry energy at subnormal density from existing data

Tsang et al., PRL  
102, 122701 (2009)  
 $S(\rho) = 12.5(\rho/\rho_0)^{2/3} + 17.6(\rho/\rho_0)^\gamma$

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IAS : Danielewicz,  
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PRC 76, 051603  
(2007)  
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Skin(Sn): Chen et al.,  
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$$L = 3\rho_0 \left. \frac{\partial E_{sym}}{\partial \rho_B} \right|_{\rho_B = \rho_0} = \frac{3}{\rho_0} P_{sym}$$

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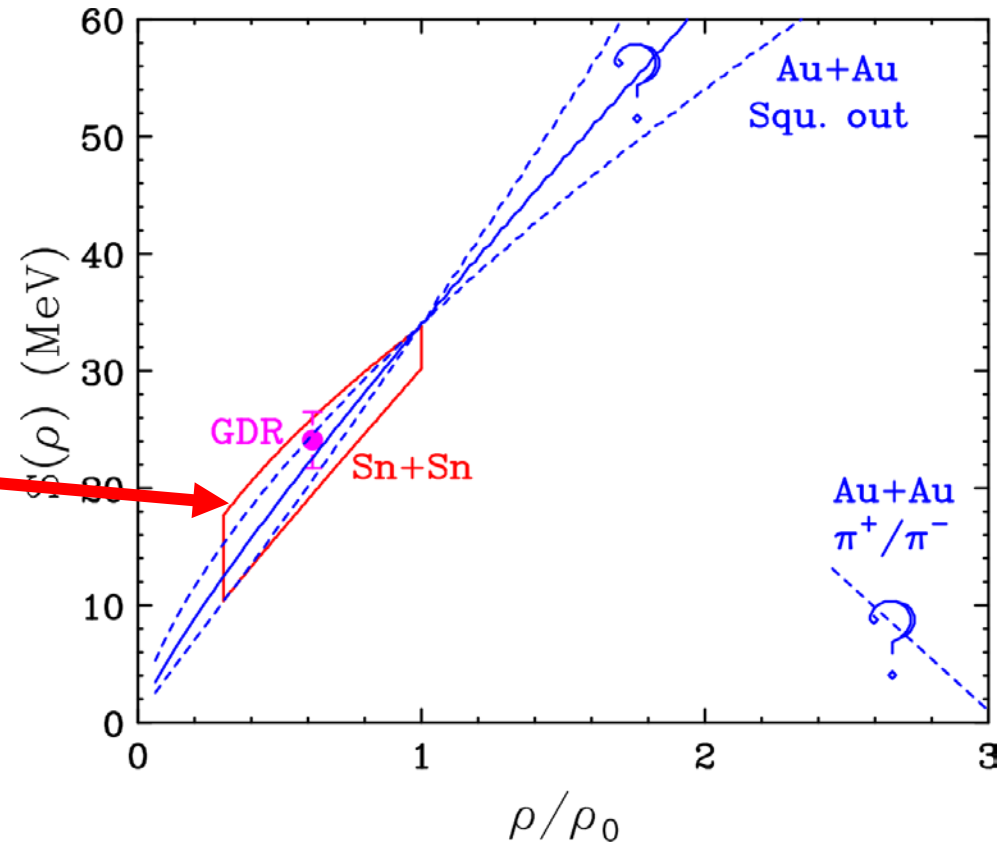
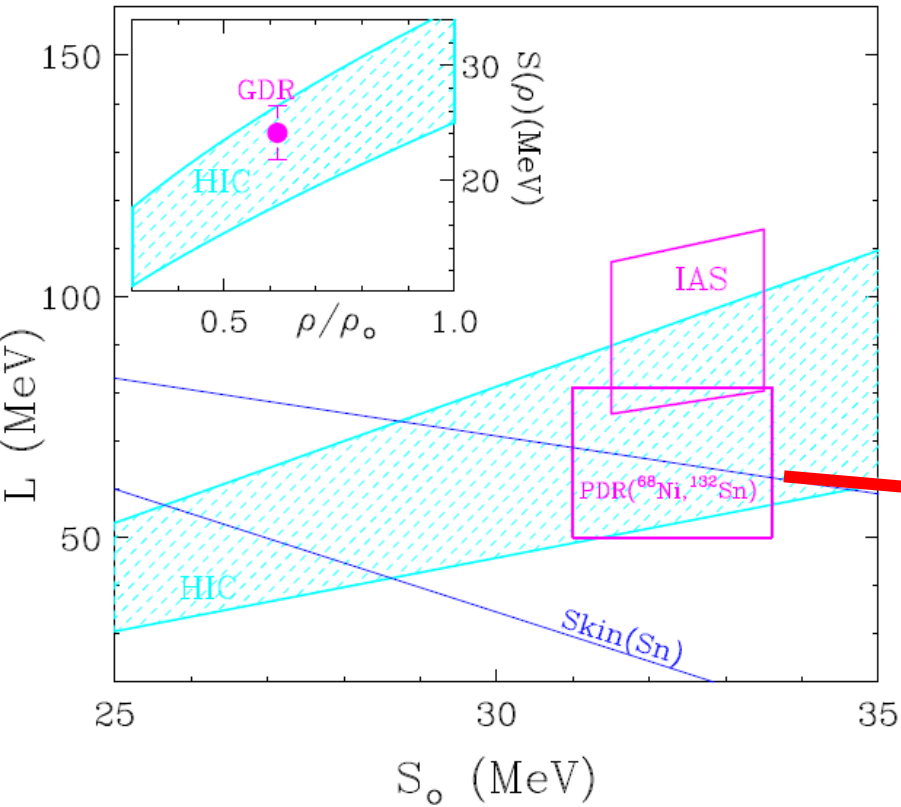
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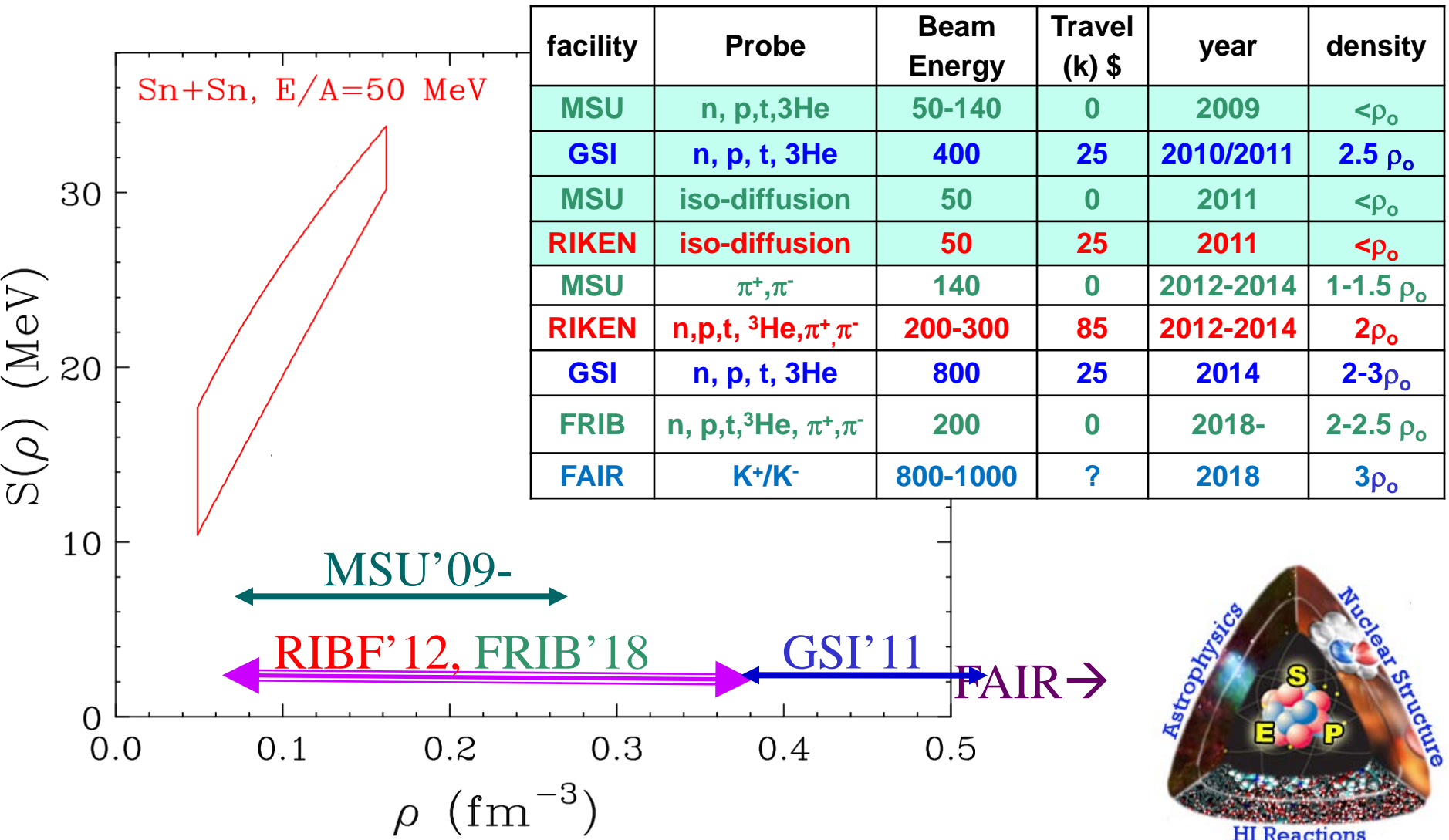
# Constraints on the density dependence of symmetry energy at supra normal density



Au+Au experiments in high energy are not designed to measure symmetry energy

Need better experiments

# Comprehensive Experimental Programs by SEP (international collaboration)

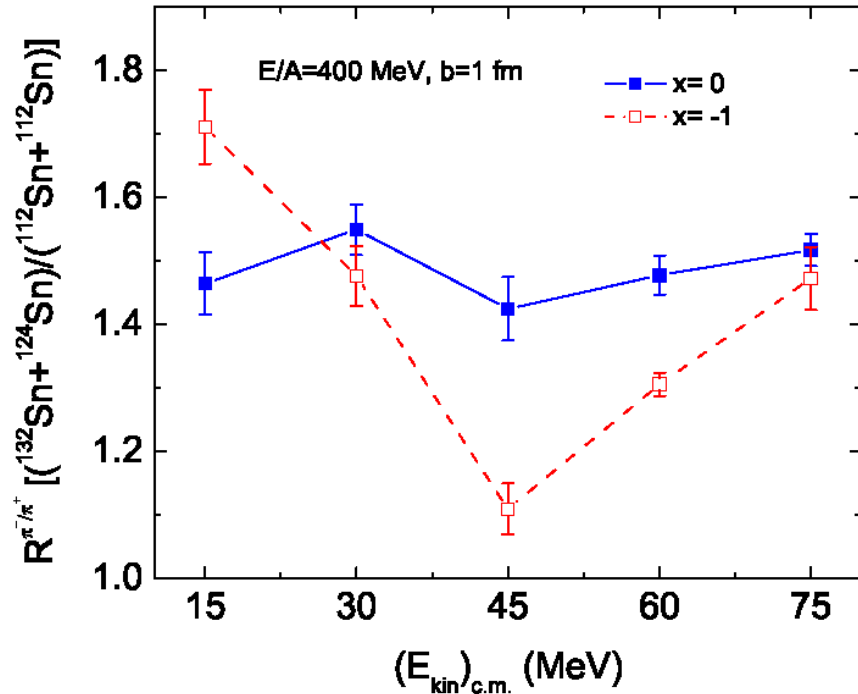


scientific program spans density range from 0.3 to  $3 \rho_0$  at different facilities

# SE Observables at High Energy (density)

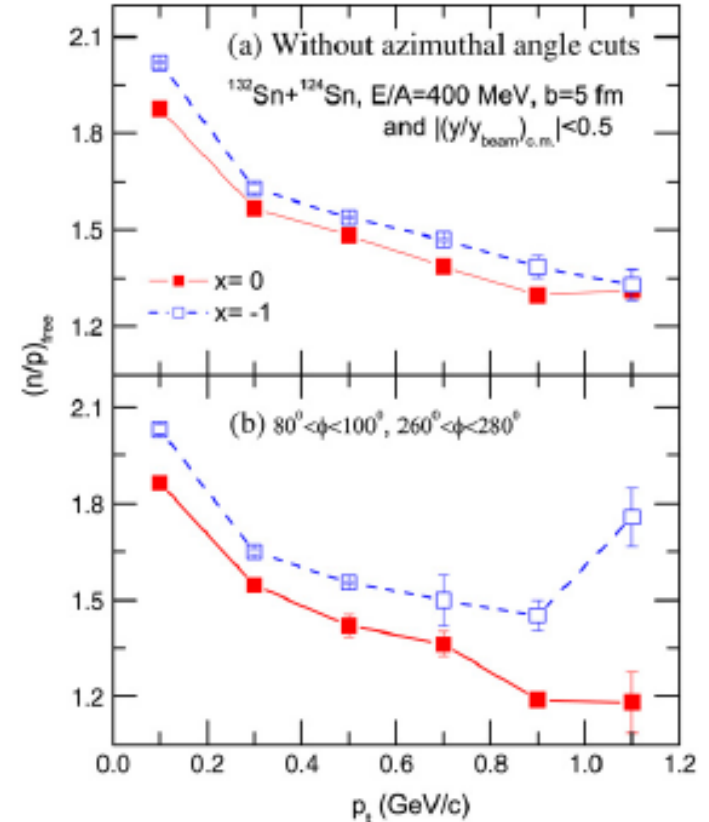
## I. Double ratio: pion production

$$R^{\pi^-/\pi^+} \left( {}^{132}\text{Sn} + {}^{124}\text{Sn} \right) / \left( {}^{112}\text{Sn} + {}^{112}\text{Sn} \right) = \frac{\left[ \frac{Y(\pi^-)_{132+124}}{Y(\pi^+)_{132+124}} \right]}{\left[ \frac{Y(\pi^-)_{112+112}}{Y(\pi^+)_{112+112}} \right]}$$



Yong et al., Phys. Rev. C **73**, 034603 (2006)

## II. n/p or t/3He flows.



B.-A. Li et al., Phys. Rep. **464** (2008) 113.



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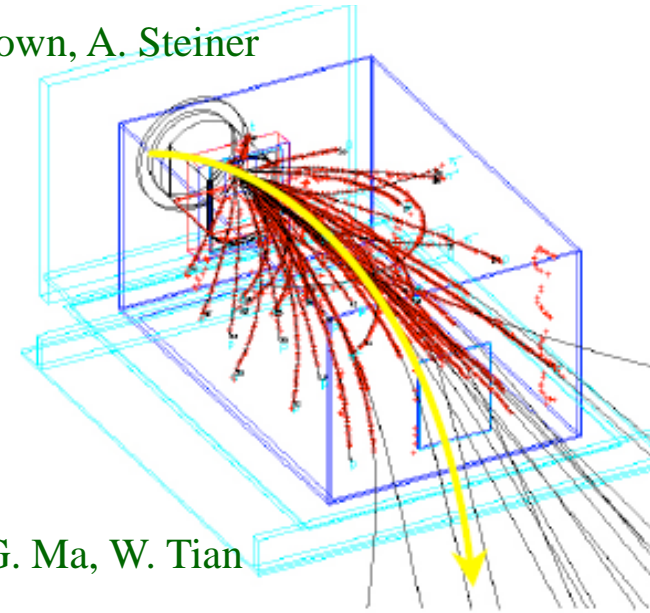
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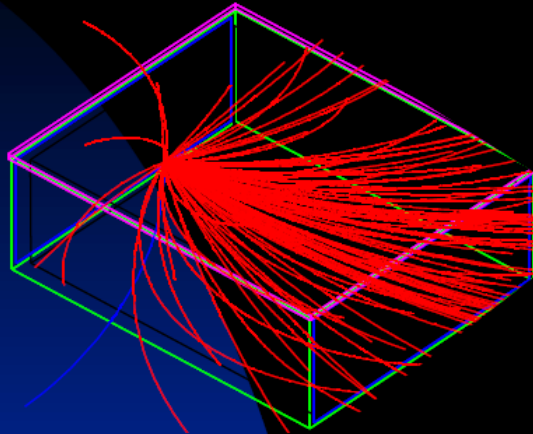
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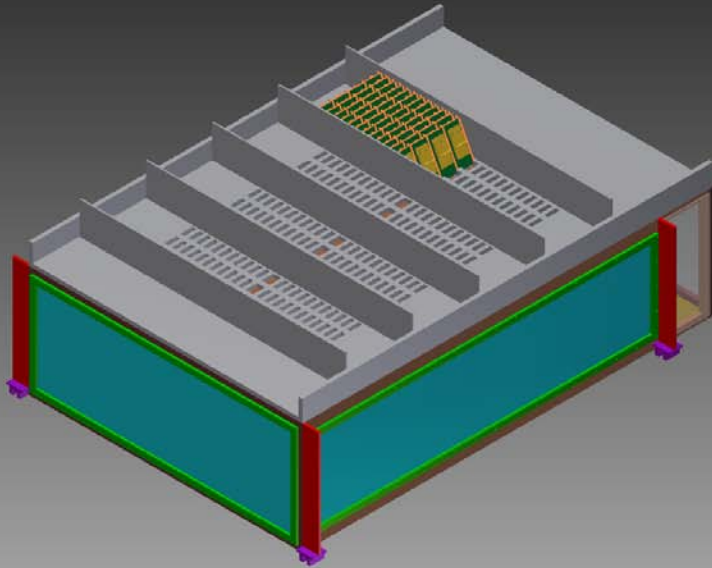
# TPC properties



**GEANT simulation**  
 **$^{132}\text{Sn}+^{124}\text{Sn}$  collisions at  $E/A=300$  MeV**

- **Good efficiency for pion track reconstruction is essential.**
- **Initial design is based upon EOS TPC, whose properties are well documented.**

<b>SAMURAI TPC parameters</b>	
Pad plane area	1.3m x 0.9 m
Number of pads	11664 (108 x 108)
Pad size	12 mm x 8 mm
Drift distance	55 cm
Pressure	1 atmosphere
dE/dx range	Z=1-3 (Star El.), 1-8 (Get El.)
Two track resolution	2.5 cm
Multiplicity limit	200 (large systems absolute pion eff.)



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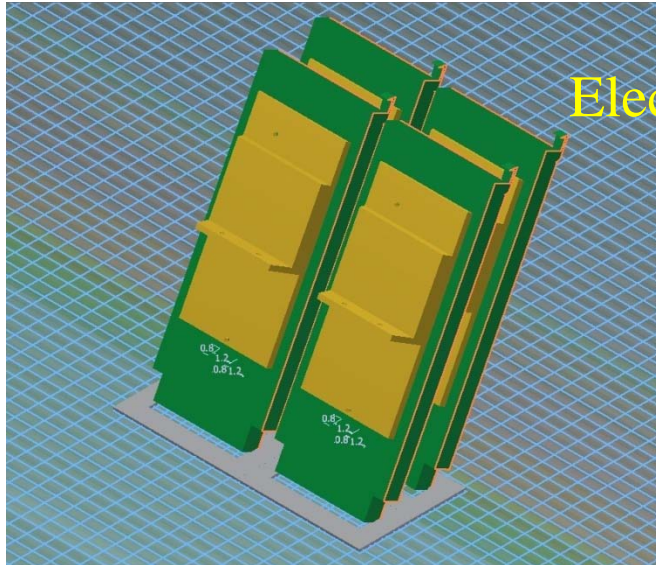
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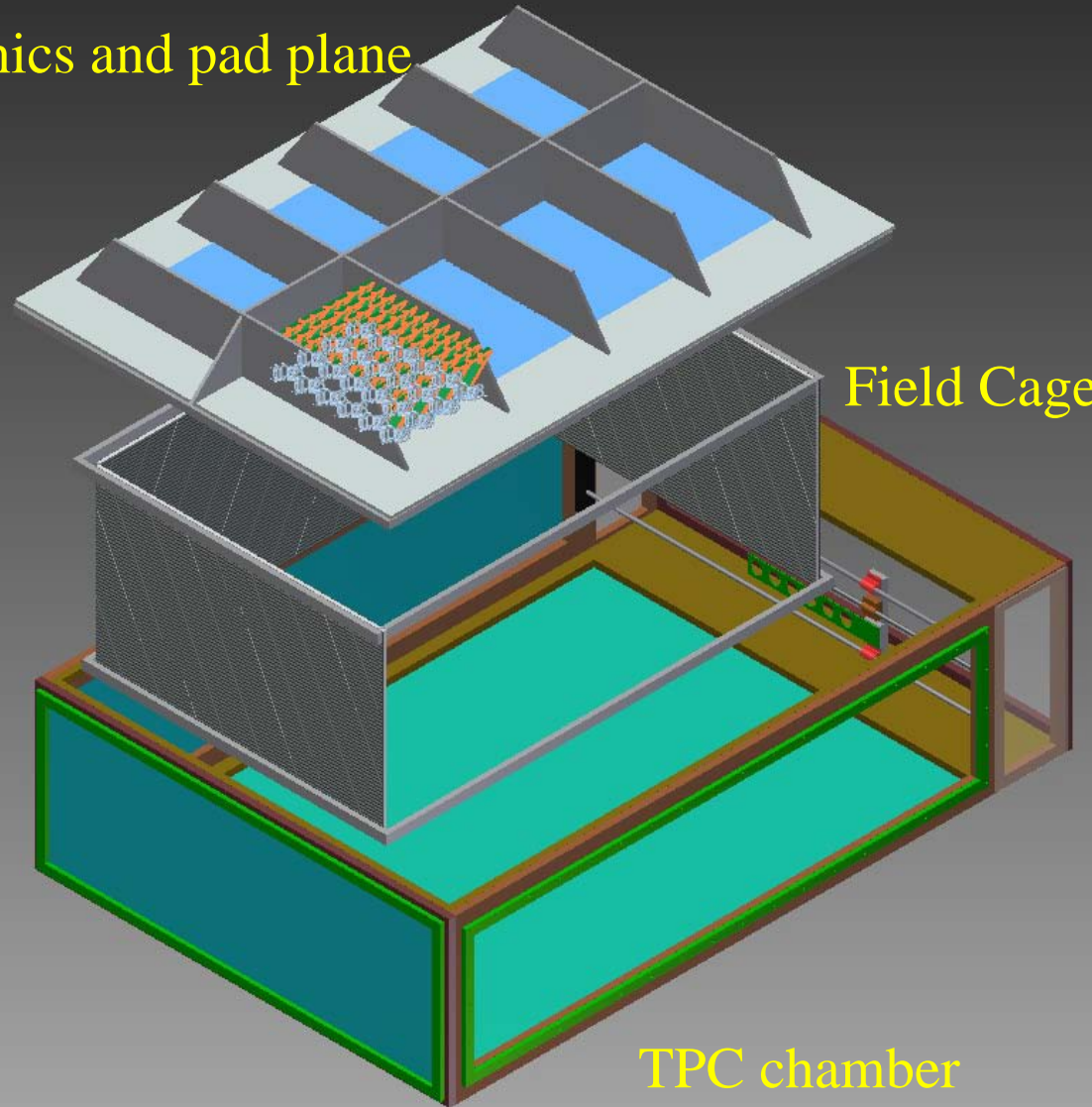


# Conceptual Design of the TPC detector

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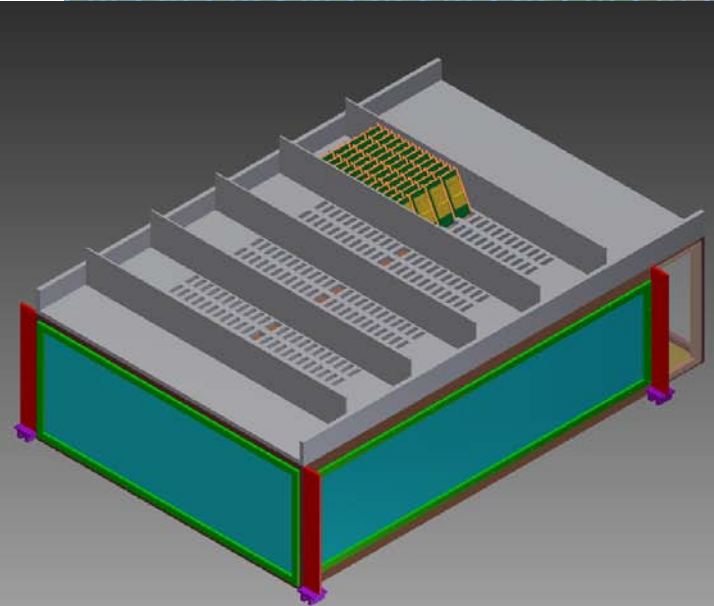


Electronics and pad plane



Field Cage

TPC chamber





# Electronics on the move: Zibi Chajeki, Jack Winkelbauer



NSCL experiments 05049 & 09042

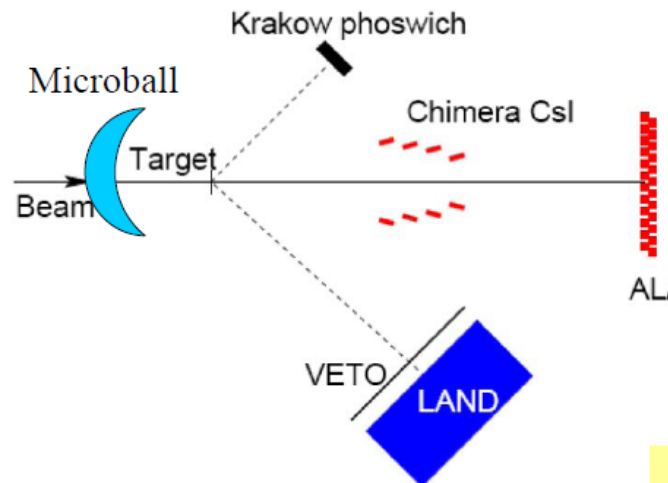
Density dependence of the symmetry energy  
with emitted neutrons and protons  
& Investigation of transport model parameters  
(May & October, 2009)

# Current Status

facility	Probe	Beam Energy	Travel (k) \$	year	density
MSU	n, p,t,3He	50-140	0	2009	$< \rho_0$
GSI	n, p, t, 3He	400	25	2010/2011	$2.5 \rho_0$
MSU	iso-diffusion	50	0	2011	$< \rho_0$
RIKEN	iso-diffusion	50	25	2012	$< \rho_0$
MSU	$\pi^+, \pi^-$	140	0	2012-2014	$1-1.5 \rho_0$
RIKEN	n,p,t, $^3\text{He}, \pi^+, \pi^-$	200-300	85	2012-2014	$2 \rho_0$
GSI	n, p, t, 3He	800	25	2014	$2-3 \rho_0$
FRIB	n, p,t, $^3\text{He}, \pi^+, \pi^-$	200	0	2018-	$2-2.5 \rho_0$
FAIR	$K^+/K^-$	800-1000	?	2018	$3 \rho_0$

GSI S394, May 2011

Reaction	Energy (AMeV)
$^{197}\text{Au} + ^{197}\text{Au}$	400 N/Z=1.50
$^{96}\text{Zr} + ^{96}\text{Zr}$	400 N/Z=1.40
$^{96}\text{Ru} + ^{96}\text{Ru}$	400 N/Z=1.18



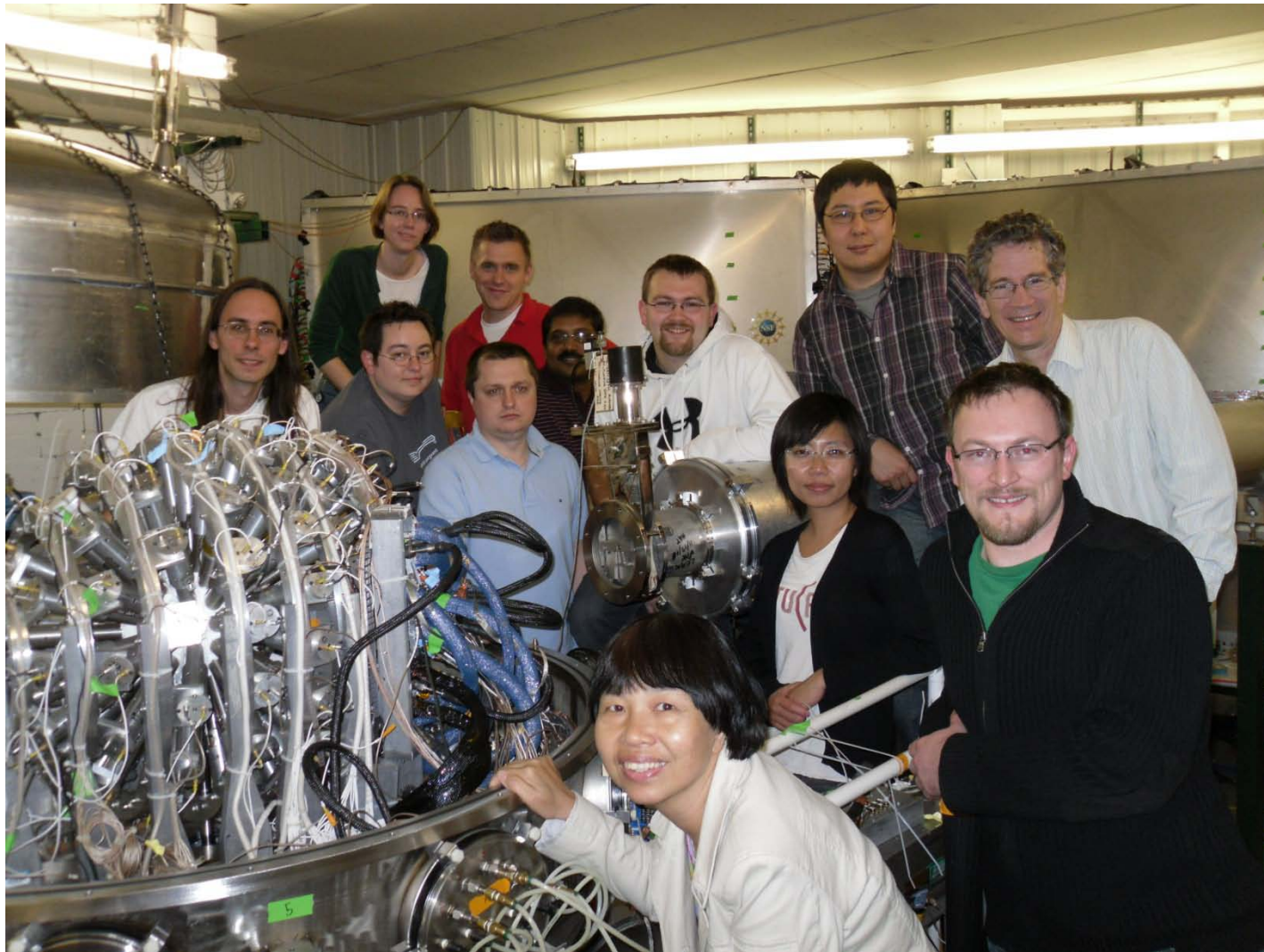
NSCL experiment 07038  
Precision Measurements of  
Isospin Diffusion, (June 2011)



# n/p Experiment $^{124}\text{Sn}+^{124}\text{Sn}$ ; $^{112}\text{Sn}+^{112}\text{Sn}$ ; $E/A=50$ MeV

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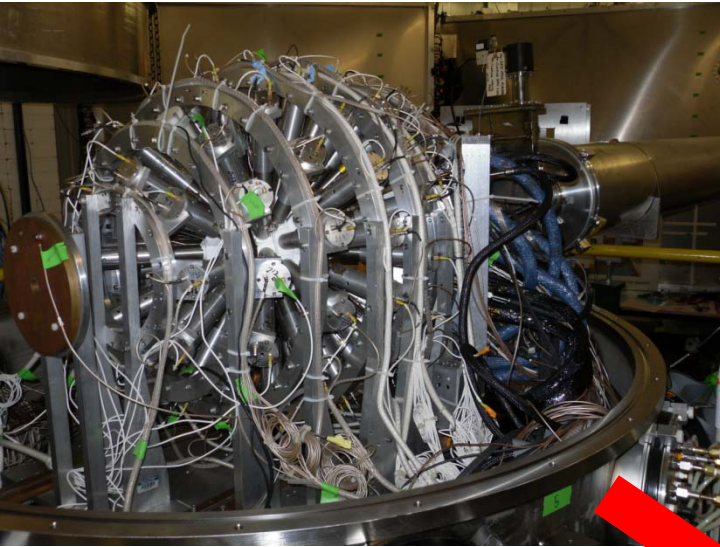


$^{124}\text{Sn}+^{124}\text{Sn}$ ;  $^{112}\text{Sn}+^{112}\text{Sn}$ ;  $E/A=120$  MeV

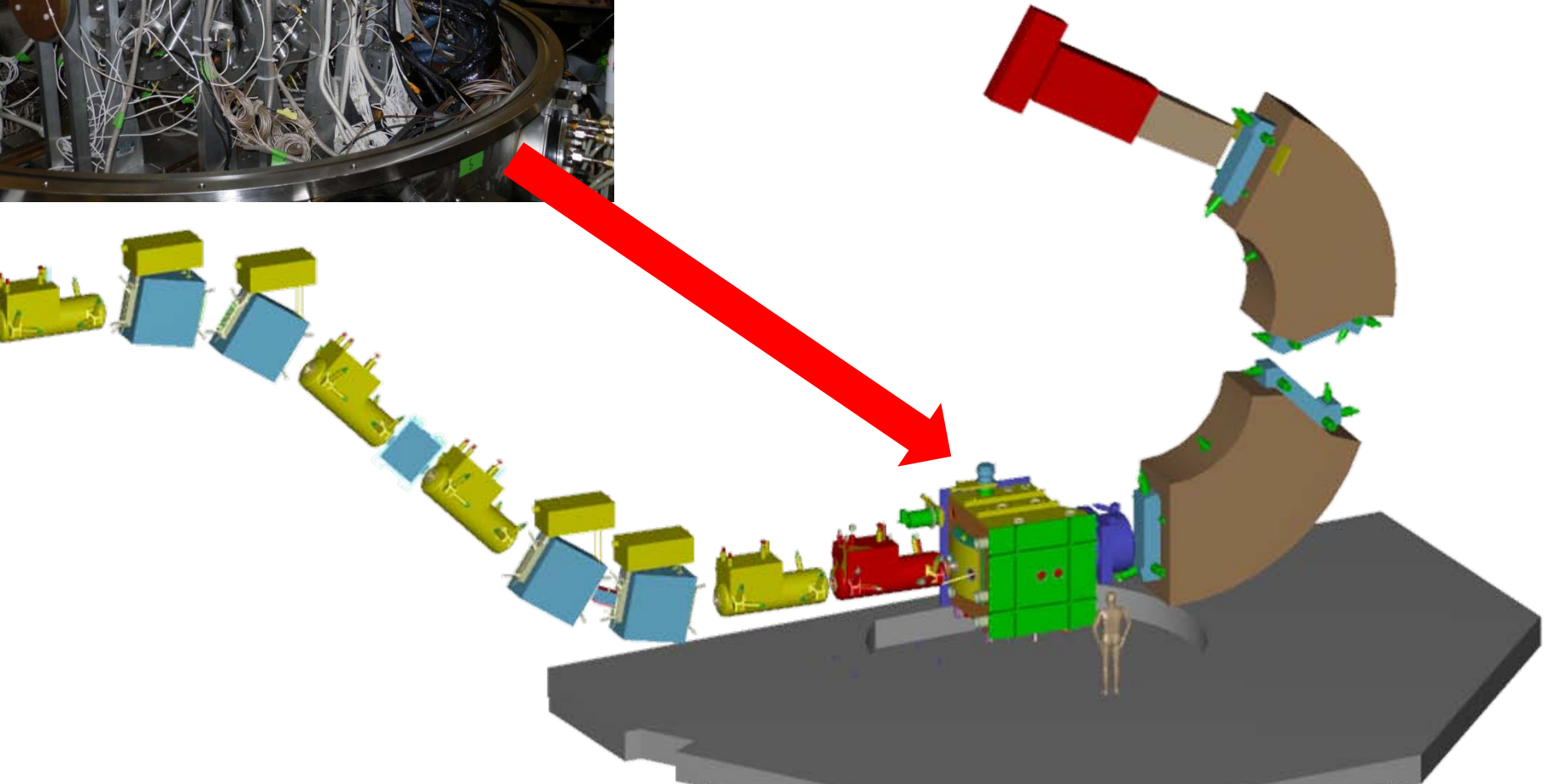
$^{48,40}\text{Ca}+^{112,124}\text{Sn}$ ;  $^{48,40}\text{Ca}+^{112,124}\text{Sn}$

# NSCL experiment 07038 & RIKEN (2012)

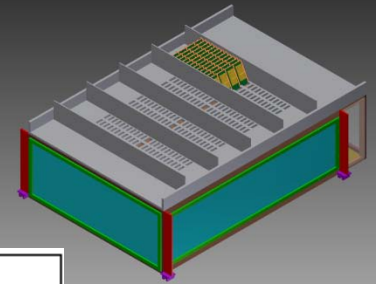
Precision Measurements of Isospin Diffusion (Jack Winkelbauer, June 2011)



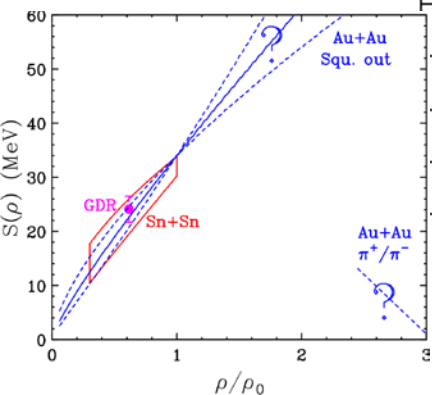
Projectile	Target	E/A	lab
$^{124,118,112}\text{Sn}$	$^{124,118,112}\text{Sn}$	50	NSCL
$^{124,112,108}\text{Sn}$	$^{124,112}\text{Sn}$	50	RIKEN



# Milestone in Management Plan



Milestone		location	Milestone date	
			(FY and quarter)	
Conceptual Design	Chamber	NSCL+TAMU	3/15	2011
Detailed Design	Chamber	NSCL+TAMU	8/15	2011
Construction	Chamber	NSCL/subcontract	Q3	2012
Conceptual Design	Detector	NSCL	3/15	2011
Detailed Design	Detector	NSCL	Q4	2011
Construction and Assembly	TPC	NSCL	Q4	2012
Test	TPC	NSCL	Q2	2013
contingency	TPC	NSCL	Q3	2013
Ship	TPC	NSCL	Q4	2013
Install & Test	TPC	RIKEN	Q1	2014
Commissioning	TPC	RIKEN	Q2	2014
Reconfigure new electronics		RIKEN	Q2	2015
$\pi^+/\pi^-$ experiment		RIKEN	Q3	2014
n/p experiment		GSI	Q2	2011



# Summary

The density dependence of the symmetry energy is of fundamental importance to nuclear physics and neutron star physics.

Observables in HI collisions provide constraints to the symmetry energy over a range of density.

Observables in HI collisions provide unique opportunities to probe the symmetry energy over a range of density especially for dense asymmetric matter.

The availability of intense fast rare isotope beams at a variety of energies at RIKEN, FRIB & FAIR allows increased precisions in probing the symmetry energy at a range of densities – Symmetry Energy Project (SEP); international collaboration of a global program.





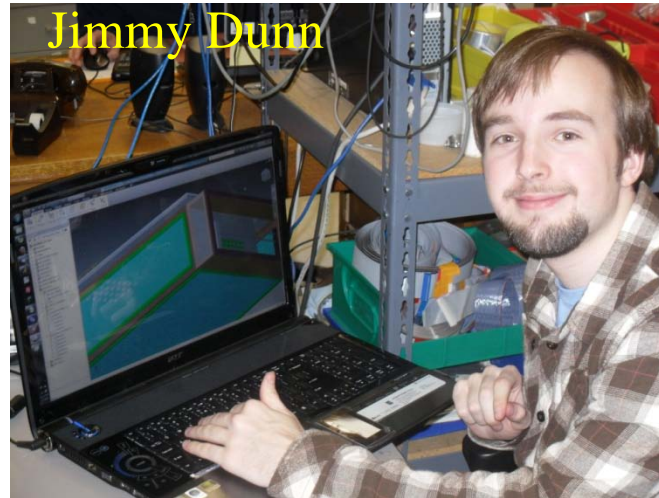
# S.E.P. Symmetry Energy Project

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## Involvement of undergraduate students



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