

# Symmetry Energy Effects in low-energy Reaction Dynamics with Improved Transport Codes

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# Content

- Brief introduction to transport theories
- Low-energy reaction dynamics:  
Charge equilibration as a collective mechanism

# Dynamics of many-body systems

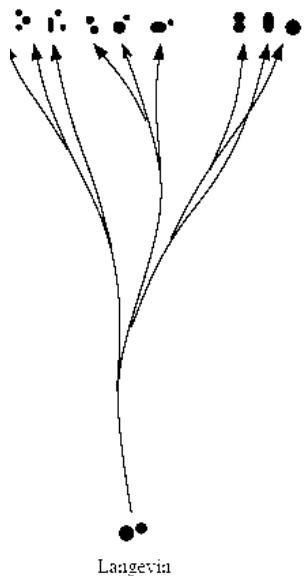
Main ingredients:

- Residual interaction (2-body correlations (2p-2h) and fluctuations)
- In-medium nucleon cross section
- Effective interaction  
(self consistent mean-field) *Skyrme forces*

*Semi-classical approximation* → **transport theories**

$$\frac{df(r, p, t)}{dt} = \frac{\partial f(r, p, t)}{\partial t} + \{f, h\} = \underbrace{k[f]}_{\text{Vlasov}} + \underbrace{\delta k}_{\text{Correlations, Fluctuations}}$$

...MD  
BUU, SMF



$$K = g \sum_{234} W(12; 34) \left[ \bar{f}_1 \bar{f}_2 f_3 f_4 - \bar{f}_1 f_2 \bar{f}_3 \bar{f}_4 \right] \quad \bar{f} = 1 - f$$

Transition rate  $W$   
interpreted in terms of  
NN cross section

-- If statistical fluctuations larger than quantum ones

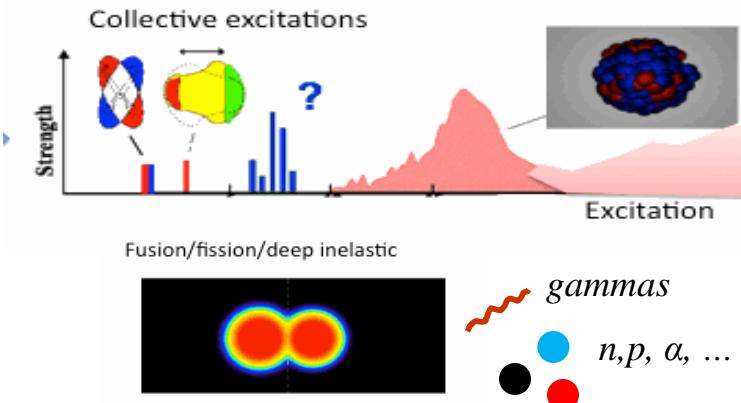
$$\langle \delta K(p, t) \delta K(p', t') \rangle = C \delta(t - t')$$

$$C(\mathbf{p}_a, \mathbf{p}_b, \mathbf{r}, t) = \delta_{ab} \sum_{234} W(a2; 34) F(a2; 34)$$

$$F(12; 34) \equiv f_1 f_2 \bar{f}_3 \bar{f}_4 + \bar{f}_1 \bar{f}_2 f_3 f_4.$$

# Isospin effects in Low-energy Heavy Ion Reactions

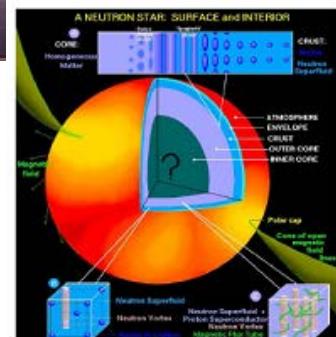
- New collective excitations
- *Competition between reaction mechanisms*
- Charge equilibration
- *Isotopic features of emitted particles*



*What can we access by transport theories?*

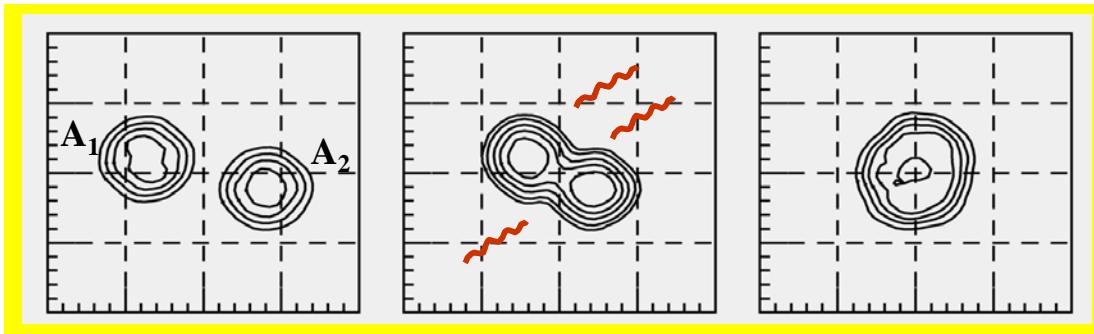
➤ Test the mean-field potential  
(nuclear effective interaction)  
→ *EDF ( Nuclear Structure)*

→ *Nuclear Equation of State EOS*  
(Energy or Pressure as a function of density, temperature ...)  
Astrophysical implications ...



# **Charge equilibration in low-energy reactions ( $E = 5\text{-}10 \text{ MeV/u}$ )**

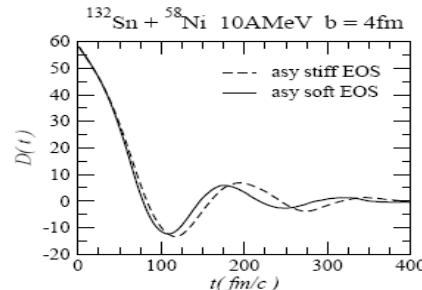
# ➤ Charge equilibration in fusion and D.I. collisions



Initial Dipole       $D(t)$  : bremss. dipole radiation      CN: stat. GDR  
If  $N_1/Z_1 \neq N_2/Z_2$

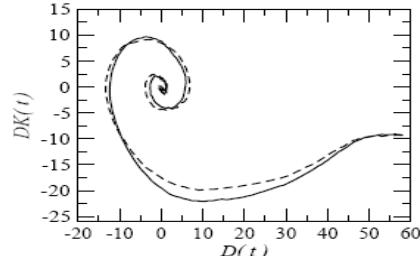
→ Relative motion of neutron and proton centers of mass

$$D(t) \equiv \frac{NZ}{A} [X_p(t) - X_n(t)] \rightarrow X_{p,n} \equiv \frac{1}{Z, N} \sum x_i^{p,n}$$

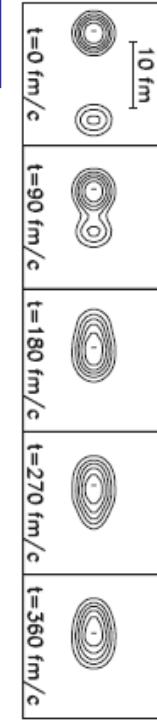


*SMF simulations*

$^{132}\text{Sn} + ^{58}\text{Ni}$ ,  $D_0 = 45$  fm  
 $E/A = 10$  MeV

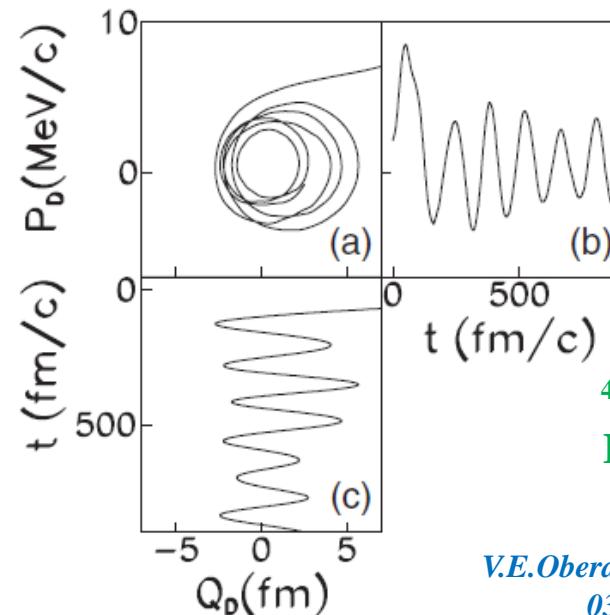


*C.Rizzo et al., PRC 83,  
014604 (2011)*



*TDHF calculations*

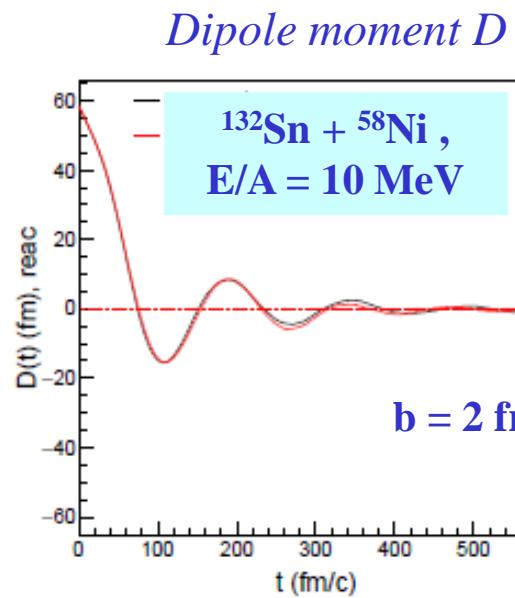
*Simenel et al,  
PRC 76, 024609 (2007)*



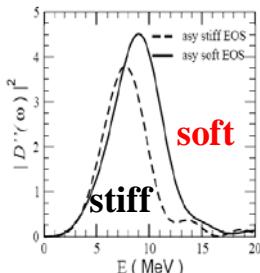
$^{40}\text{Ca} + ^{100}\text{Mo}$   
 $E/A = 4$  MeV

*V.E.Oberacker et al., PRC 85,  
034609 (2012)*

# Dynamical dipole (DD) emission: a ‘robust’ collective mechanism



Bremsstrahlung:  
Quantitative estimation



$$\frac{dP}{dE_\gamma} = \frac{2e^2}{3\pi\hbar c^3 E_\gamma} |D''(\omega)|^2$$

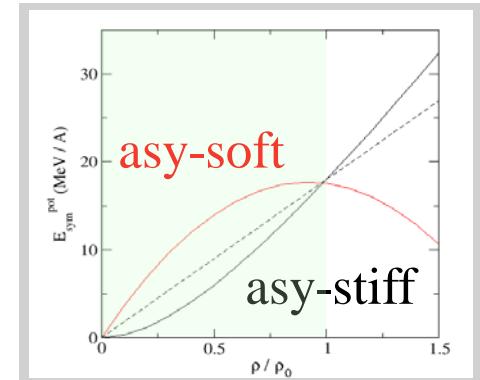
V.Baran, D.M.Brink, M.Colonna, M.Di Toro, PRL.87 (2001)

Damped harmonic oscillator:

$$|D''(\omega)|^2 = \frac{(\omega_0^2 + 1/\tau^2)^2 D(t_0)^2}{(\omega - \omega_0)^2 + 1/\tau^2}$$

$$P_\gamma \sim \omega_0^3 \tau D(t_0)^2$$

- Restoring force given by the **symmetry potential**
  - $\omega_0$
- Oscillations are inside an elongated system:  
smaller frequency with respect to GDR
- $\gamma$  emission probability sensitive to the damping  $\tau$ 
  - **n-n cross section**
- Signal is enhanced in systems with a large initial dipole moment  $D(t_0)$



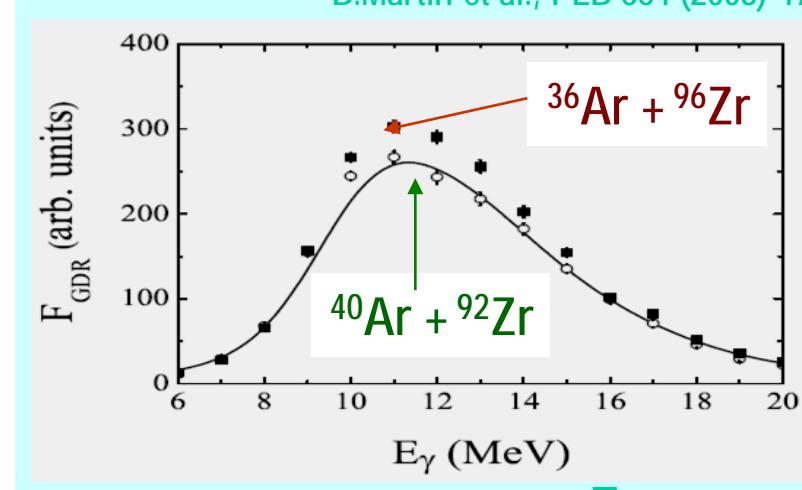
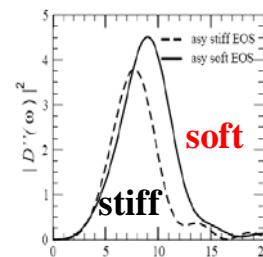
# Dynamical dipole (DD) emission and symmetry energy

B.Martin et al., PLB 664 (2008) 47

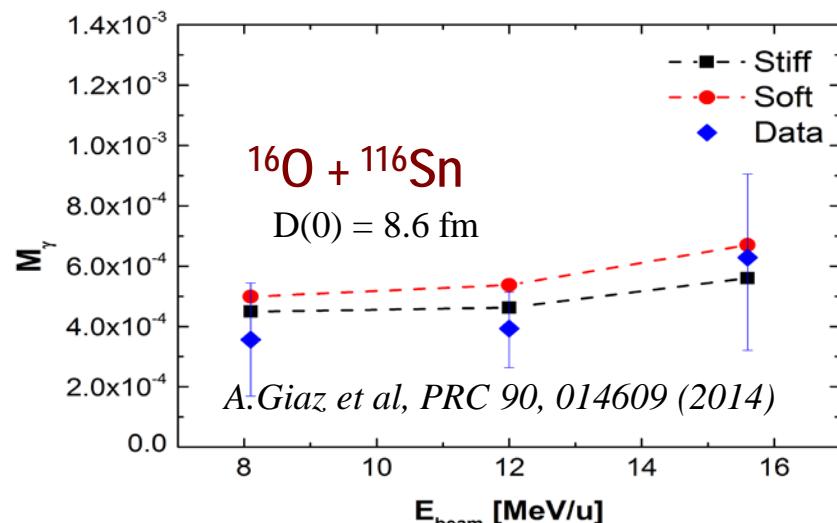
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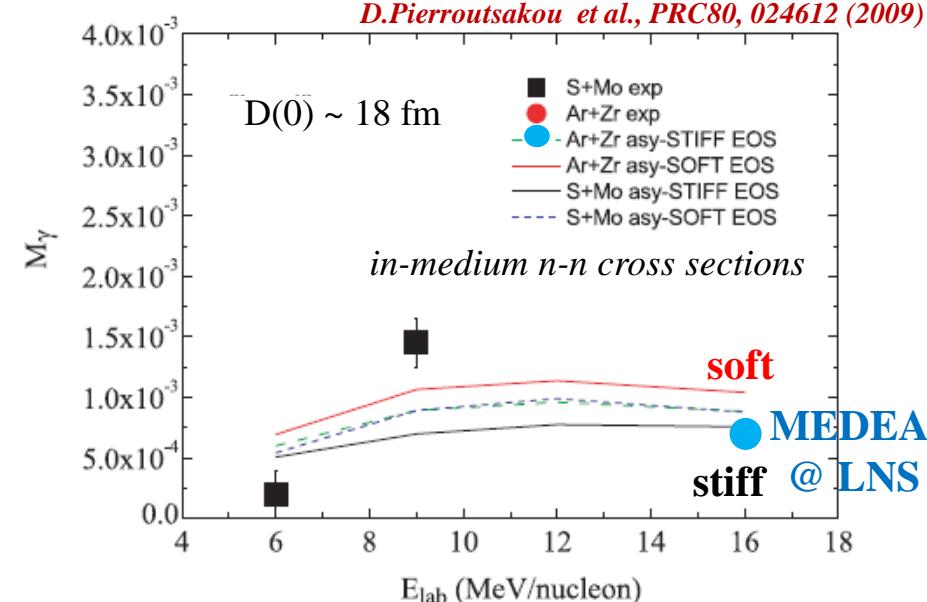
$$\frac{dP}{dE_\gamma} = \frac{2e^2}{3\pi\hbar c^3 E_\gamma} \left( \frac{NZ}{A} \right)^2 |X''(\omega)|^2$$



**Experimental evidence of the extra-yield (LNL & LNS data)**

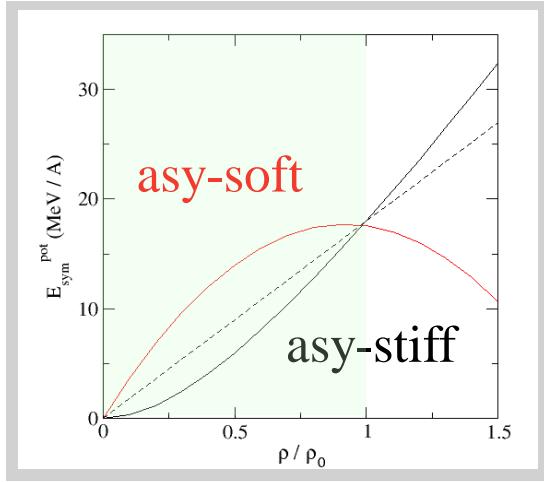


A.Corsi et al., PLB 679, 197 (2009), LNL experiments



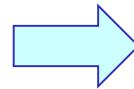
→ DD in the fusion-evaporation of the  $^{40}\text{Ca} + ^{152}\text{Sm}$  heavy system, PRC 93, 044619(2016)

## *More refined calculations: a multi-dimensional analysis*



Only symm. energy parametrizations which cross at normal density were considered in our previous calculations (fixed J)

*C.Rizzo et al., PRC 83,  
014604 (2011)*



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

*around normal density*

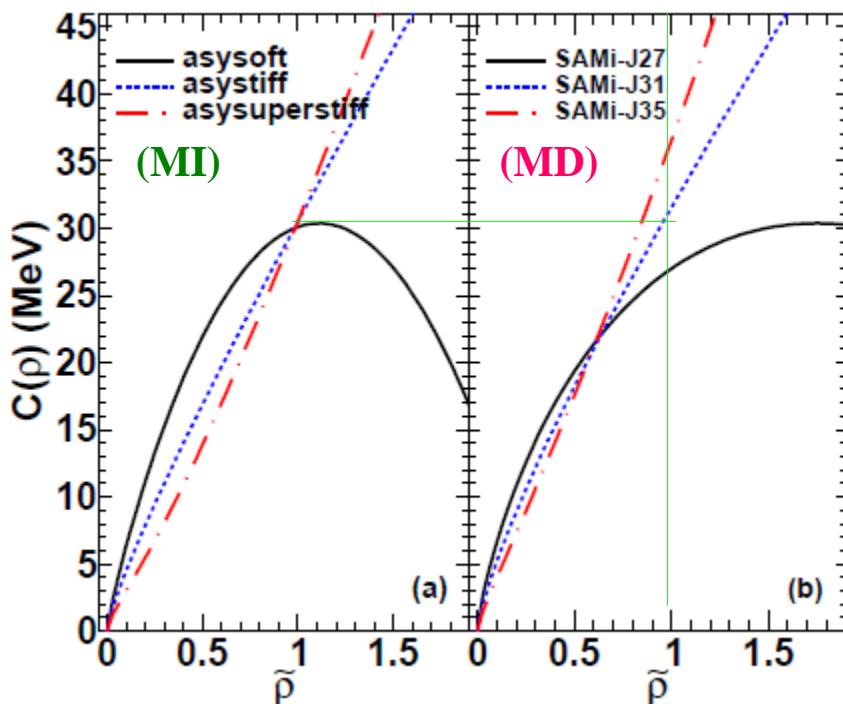
- Explore the sensitivity to both J and L
- Explore the sensitivity to Nucleon.-Nucleon cross section



*Look at:*

- Dynamical Dipole (DD)
- pre-equilibrium particle emission

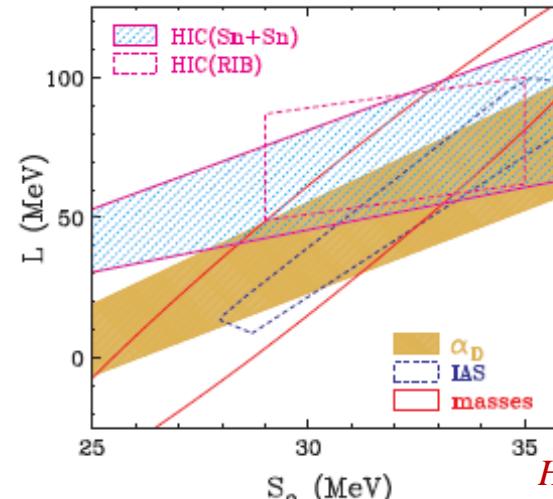
# More refined calculations: a bidimensional $E_{sym}$ analysis



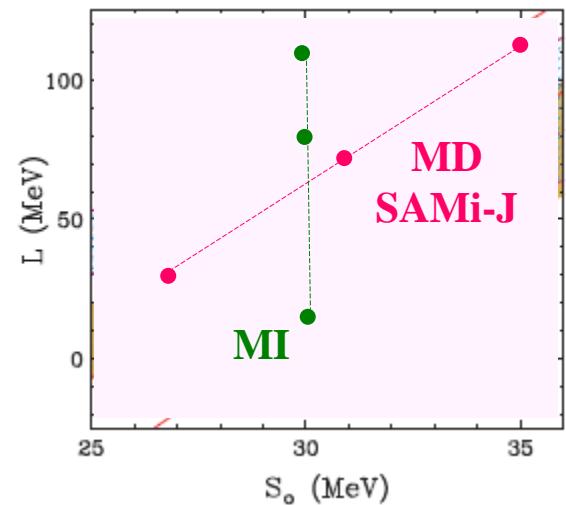
$$E_{sym}(\rho) = S_0 + L \frac{\rho - \rho_0}{3\rho_0} + \dots$$

or  $J$

around normal density



*Horowitz et al,  
JPG 41,093001 (2014)*



$S_0 - L$  correlation

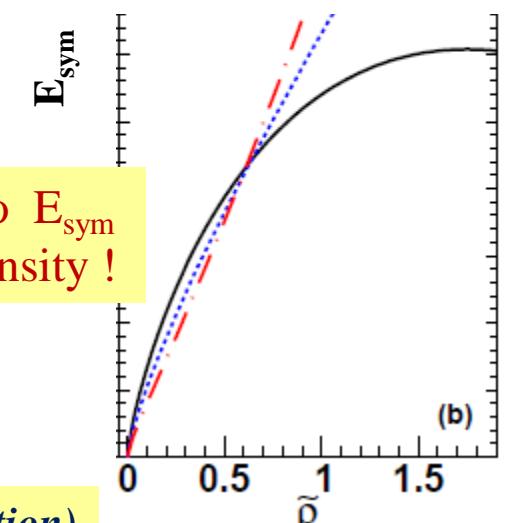
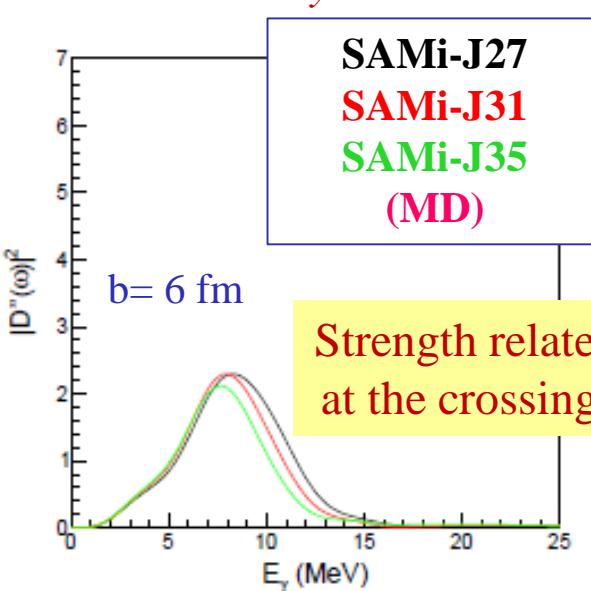
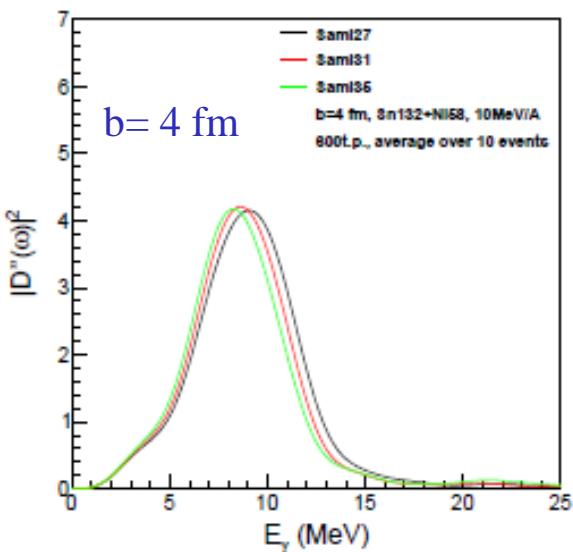
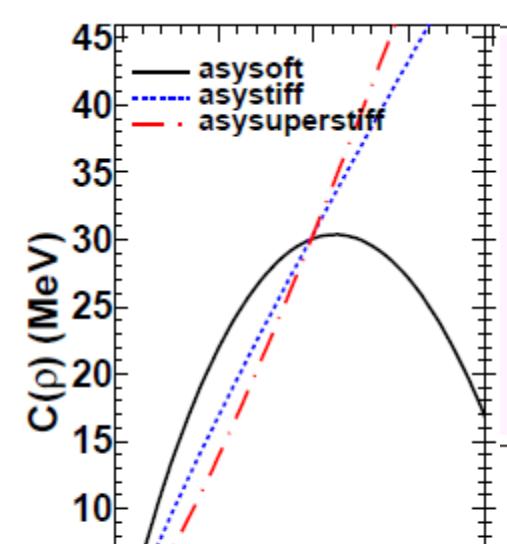
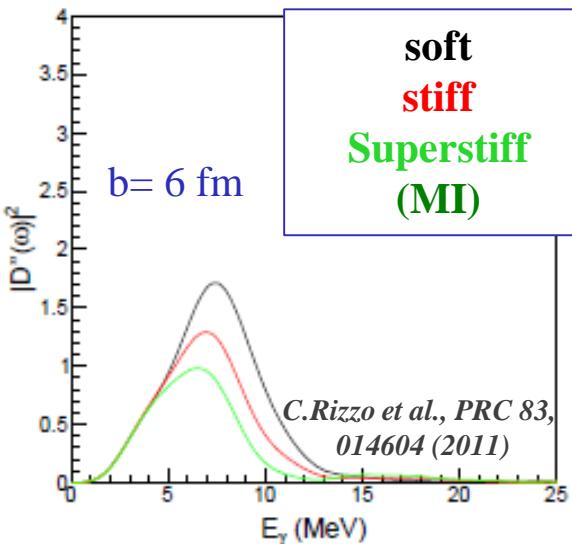
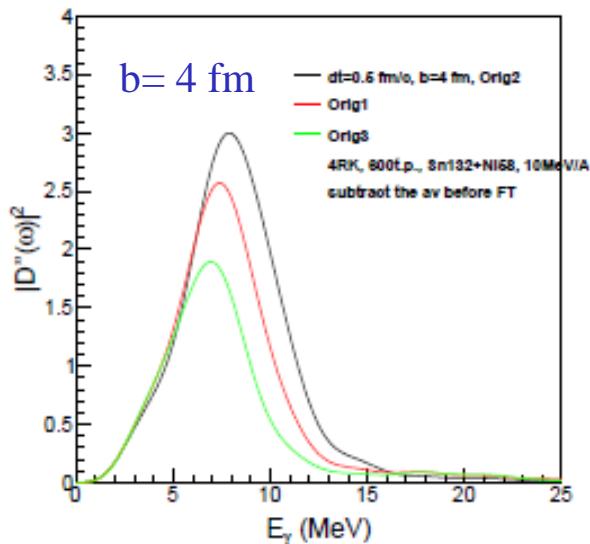
## SAMI-J interactions:

Skyrme interactions

especially devised to improve the spin-isospin properties of nuclei

X. Roca-Maza, G. Colò, H. Sagawa, Phys. Rev. C 86, 031306(R) (2012); X. Roca-Maza *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 87, 034301 (2013).

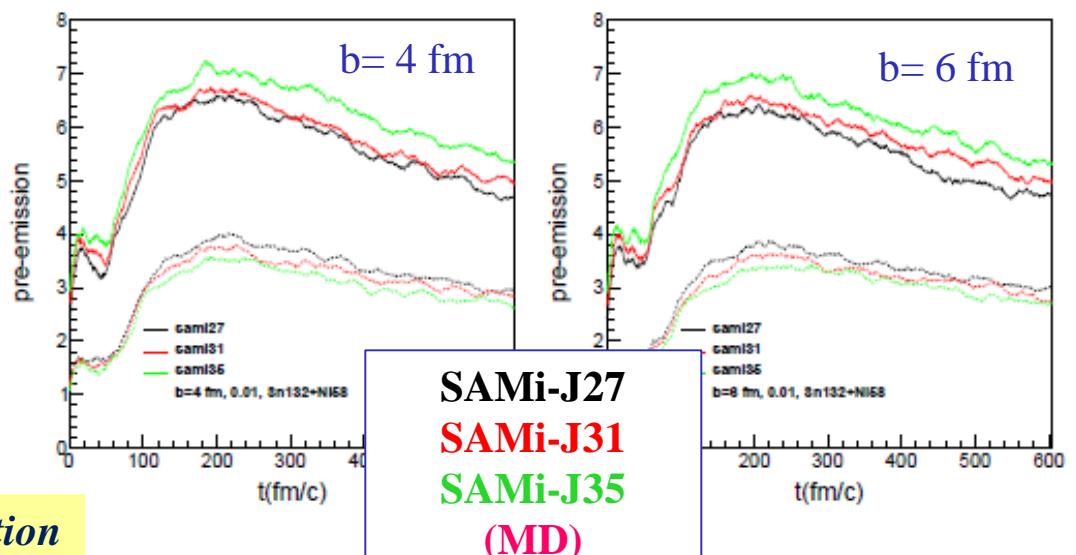
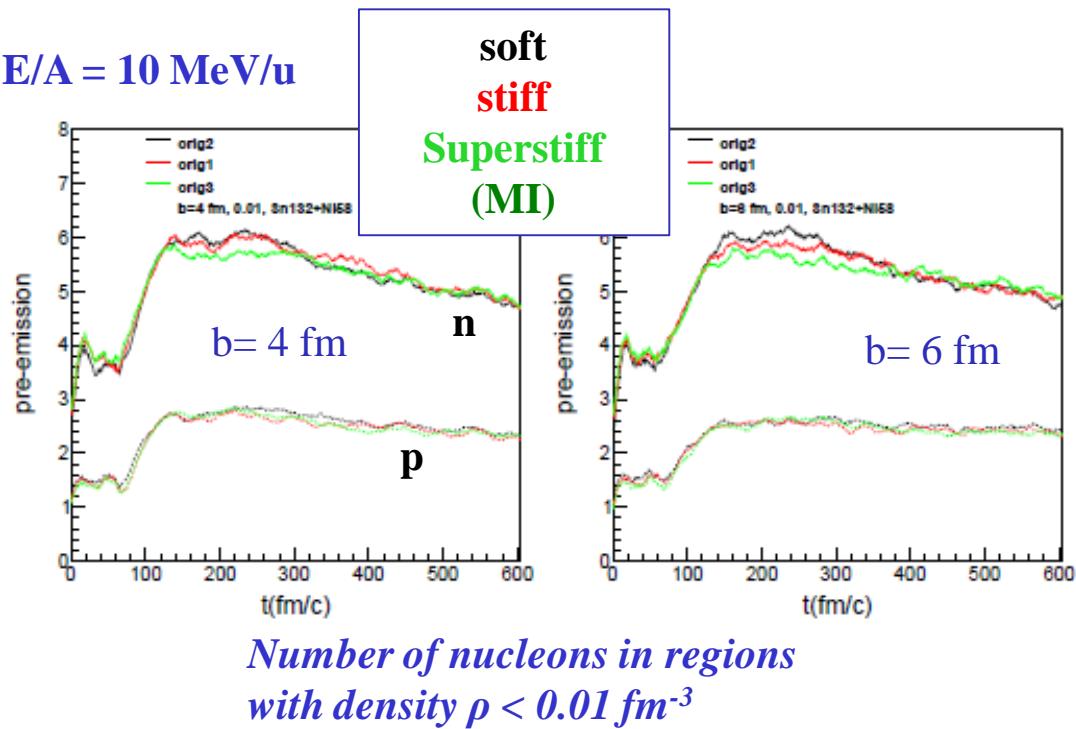
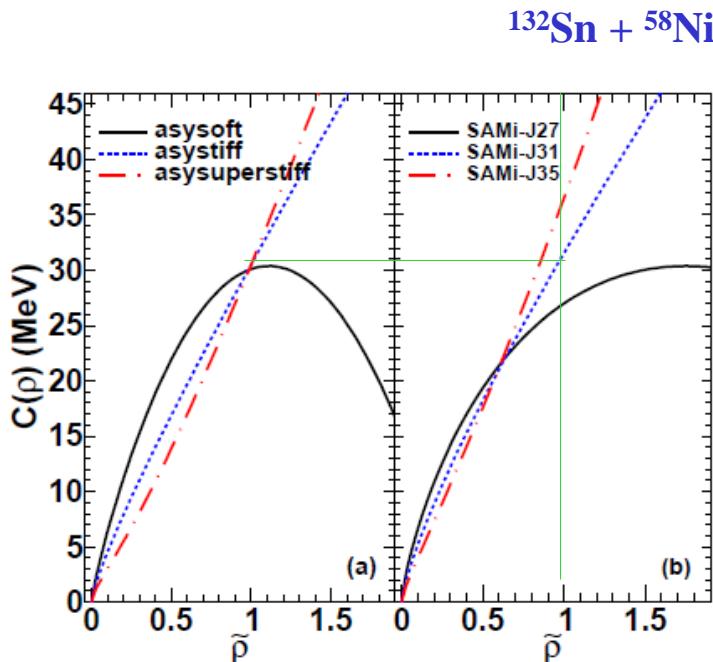
# The pre-equilibrium dipole strength $^{132}\text{Sn} + ^{58}\text{Ni}$ , 10 MeV/A



$^{132}\text{Sn} + ^{58}\text{Ni}$ , E/A = 10 MeV/u

(free n-n cross section)

# $E_{sym}$ effects on pre-equilibrium particle emission



- Particle emission looks sensitive to  $E_{sym}$  close to normal density:  
 $N/Z = 2.1$  **SAMI-J35**  
 $N/Z = 1.6$  **SAMI-J27**  
(at  $t = 200 \text{ fm}/c$ )

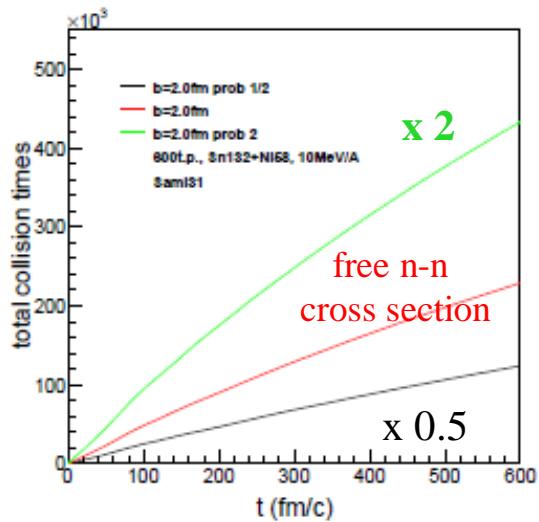
600 test particles (t.p.), free n-n cross section

# Sensitivity of pre-equilibrium effects to n-n cross sections

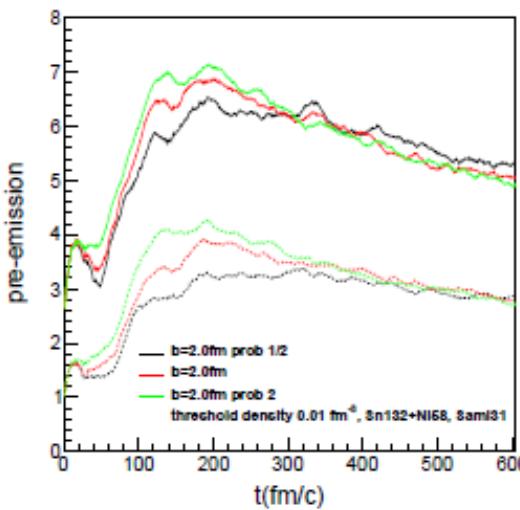
$^{132}\text{Sn} + ^{58}\text{Ni}$ , E/A = 10 MeV/u

b = 2 fm

total t.p. collision number

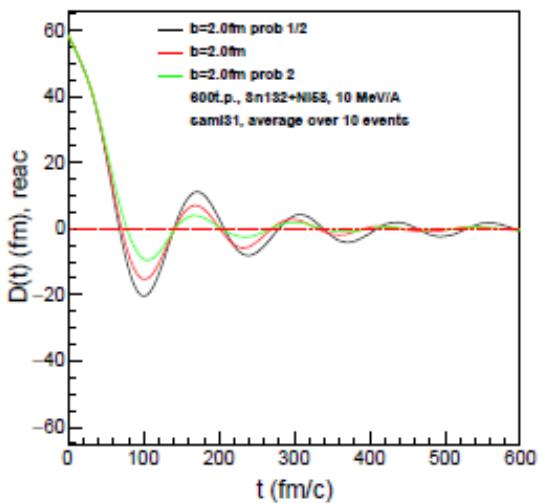


nucleons emitted

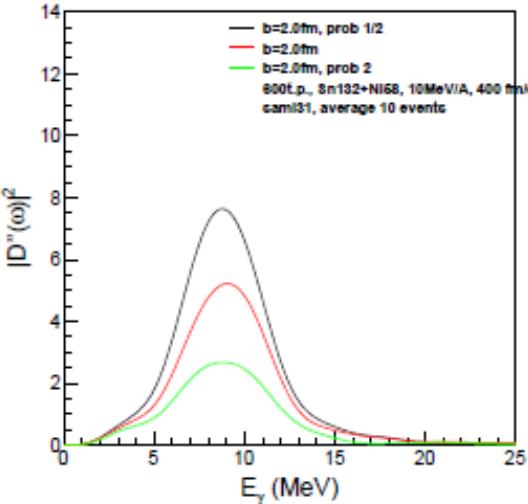


SAMI-J31 interaction

- enhanced nucleon emission for larger cross section, but the N/Z is not so sensitive !



dipole oscillations



DD strength

- small n-n cross section  
→ larger damping time  $\tau$   
→ larger DD strength

see energy-integrated yield

$$P_\gamma \sim \omega_0^3 \tau D(t_0)^2$$

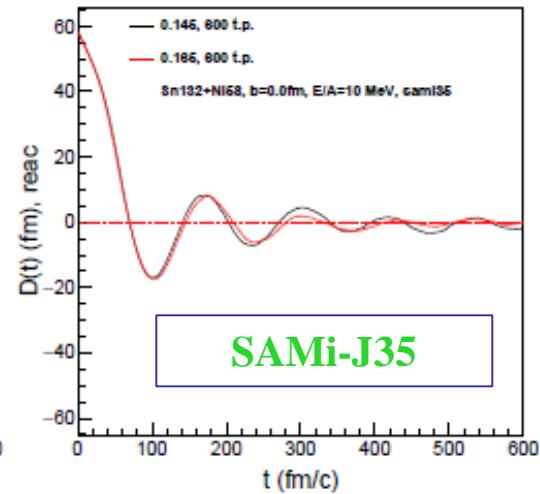
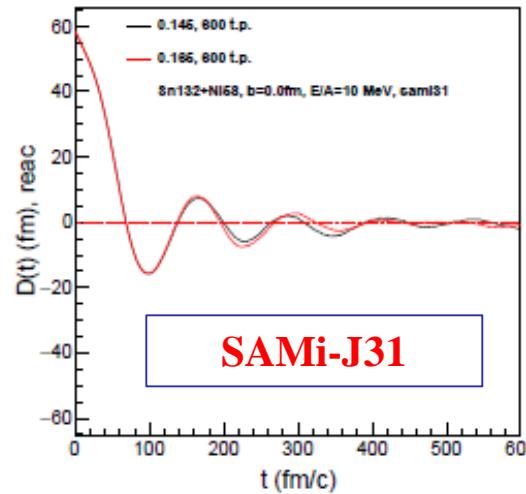
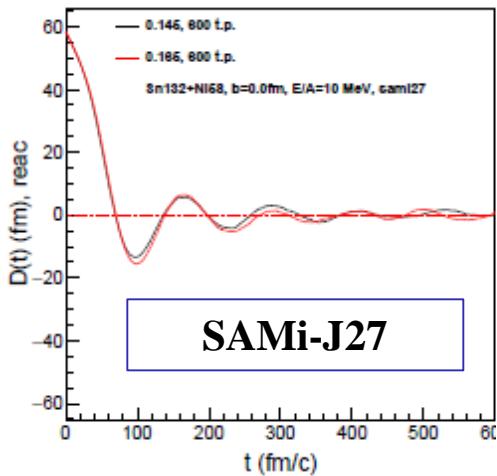
## □ Conclusions

➤ Low energy collisions involving n-rich systems:  
*-Pre-equilibrium dipole oscillations and particle emission*  
A way to constrain symmetry energy and two-body correlation effects

- the DD strength reflects the symmetry energy at the crossing density of the SAMi-J interactions (as also observed for the GDR)
- the N/Z of pre-equilibrium nucleon emission is sensitive to symmetry energy closer to normal density
- the DD strength is sensitive to the n-n cross section

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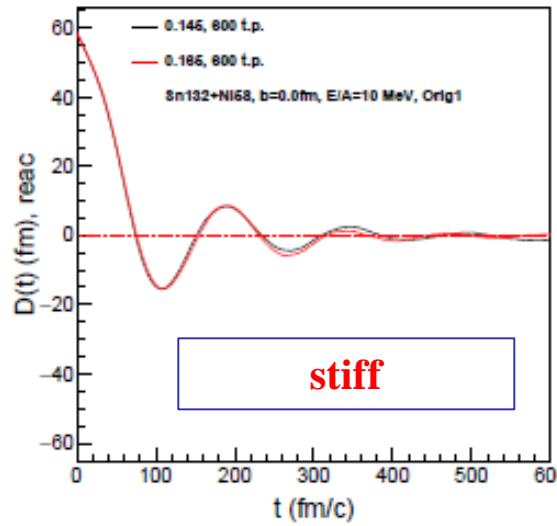
# Looking at dipole oscillations



Energy-integrated yield

$$P_\gamma \sim \omega_0^3 \tau D(t_0)^2$$

Is  $\omega_0$  just sensitive to  $E_{\text{sym}}$ ?



- Stiff and SAMi-J31: same symmetry energy, but different oscillation frequency: momentum dependence (MD) effects ! (also seen in the GDR case)