Searching for *isospin-drift sites* in heavy dissipative nuclear systems

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• Isovector signals at Fermi energy under the magnifying glass

• How can we deal with dissipative conditions?



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Dissipative collisions for the symmetry energy in a nutshell

• Transport models' usual assumptions : freeze-out, semiclassical EOM, locality...

• Hydrodynamic-like phenomenology :







• Expectations : isovector signals (equilibration, neck...) \Rightarrow the form of *S*

Setting the (isovector) clock : a history of attempts

Dissipative collisions \rightarrow

perturbations around saturation density

- \Rightarrow to the repulsive Coulomb, mean field adds a more or less repulsive contribution
- \Rightarrow *Exp.* : 'measure time" of asymmetry currents by using a portion of the system : *P*-*T* overlap, neck, fragments, nucl. surface, LCP from compressed phase...
- \Rightarrow *Theory* : build a model to test S vs ρ

Montoya et al. PRL73 (1994), Baran et al. PRE9410 (2005), Lionti et al. PLB625 (2005), DiToro et al. EPJA30 (2006), B.A.Li et al. PRE9464 (2008), Baran et al. PRC85 (2012), Hudan et al. PRC86 (2012), De Filippo et al. PRC86 (2012), Brown et al. PRC87 (2013), Jedele et al. PRL118 (2017), Rodriguez Manso et al. PRC95 (2017), A.B. McIntosh, S.J. Yennello PPNP108 (2019), A. Pagano et al., EPJA56 (2020)



Distillation and clustering to further complexify the picture

- To higher-order effects from the combination of ∇I and $\nabla \rho$ we add :
- *phase separation (isospin distillation)* if ρ drops to low values.
- \rightarrow If the ultimate fate is the disassembly of the system in a phase-transition-like process, the isospin content of the fragments is additionally affected by the phase separation (distillation). [CHOMAZ,COLONNA,RANDRUP PHYS.REP.389 (2004); MÜLLER,SEROT PRC52 (1995)]



• *clustering*, which may be related either to mean-field fluctuations or to inelastic particle collisions beyond two-body scattering truncation. [P.DANIELEWICZ G.F.BERTSCH NPA533 (1991) 712, A.ONO JOP CONF.SERIES420 (2014) 012103, A.ONO PPNP105 (2019) 139] Clustering may affect isospin transport [Coupland et al. PRC84 (2011) 054603 (2011)]

Adopting a stochastic Boltzmann-Langevin scheme

- Correlations beyond kinetic eq. approximately recovered by handling several mean fields
- \rightarrow generated from the action of a fluctuating seed on the one-body density For one MF trajectory *n* in τ_{BL} :

 $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{Boltzmann-Langevin} \\ f^{(n)}: \text{ distribution functions} \\ \rightarrow \textbf{Fermi stat.at equilibrium} \\ \hline \frac{\partial f^{(n)}}{\partial t} = \{h^{(n)}, f^{(n)}\} + I^{(n)}_{\text{UU}} + \delta I^{(n)}_{\text{UU}} \\ \hline \textbf{Markovian contrib.}: \\ \langle \delta I^{(n)}_{\text{UU}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}, t) \delta I^{(n)}_{\text{UU}}(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{p}', t') \rangle = \\ = \textbf{gain+loss} = 2\mathcal{D}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}; \mathbf{r}', \mathbf{p}', t') \delta(t-t') \end{array}$

[Ayik,Grégoire PLB212(1988); NPA513(1990) Colonna,Chomaz,Randrup NPA567(1994)]

 Diffusion coeff. D from Langevin term →
→ intermittent fluctuation revival and bifurcations in the spirit of the Brownian motion



Mean-field point of view, adopting BLOB

Boltzmann-Langevin One Body

$$\frac{\partial f^{(n)}}{\partial t} - \{h^{(n)}, f^{(n)}\} = I_{UU}^{(n)} + \delta I_{UU}^{(n)} = g \int \frac{d\mathbf{p}_b}{h^3} \int W(AB\leftrightarrow CD) \ F(AB\rightarrow CD) \ d\Omega$$

transition rate occupancy
 $W(AB\leftrightarrow CD) = |v_A - v_B| \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}; \ F(AB\rightarrow CD) = \left[(1-f_A)(1-f_B)f_Cf_D - f_Af_B(1-f_C)(1-f_D) \right]$
 A, B, C, D : extended equal-isospin phase-space portions of size=nucleon posed by the variance $f(1-f)$ in h^3 cells at equilibrium

[NAPOLITANI, COLONNA PLB726 2013; PRC96 2017]

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Clusters and fragments from fluctuations :

clusters, like heavier fragments, emerge naturally from potential ripples and are not related to a specific treatment

→ the same framework for distillation and clustering : variance δ^2 of N' - Z' distr. of potential ripples in accordance with the fluctuation-dissipation th. : $Y \approx \exp[-(\delta^2/A')C_{sym}(\rho)/T]$

 $\Rightarrow \underline{Distillation \ behaviour} : < N' - Z' > \text{more } n\text{-rich in more volatile}$ phases

Step 1 : All dynamical mean-field trajectories in ⁸⁶Kr+¹²⁴Sn 35AMeV

• searching for low density mechanisms : neck and sideways emission



Step 2 : macroscopic survey of n and p densities

• we can associate both neck and sideways areas to iv-transport hotspots



Step 3a Analysis of single stochastic events



Step 3b Analysis of single stochastic events

• paradigmatic event showing neck + sideways



At the level of single stochastic events, all mechanisms (sideways and neck) mix to a large extent and it is difficult to distinguish

Microscopic insight : stochastic patterns

Gradual transition as a function of *b* from a multifragmentationlike contribution to neck, passing through a combination of the two (b=8fm)



sideways and neck production compete in producing light fragments at midrapidity, sideways produces lighter clusters



Tracking cluster/fragment formation properties



affected by interference (see next)

Microscopic tracking of cluster-/fragment-precursor properties



Conclusions

• Neck and sideways emission are totally different mechanisms : different grow rates, displaced in time, extension in time.

• Sideways emission is related to the phenomenology of phase-transition signals where the isospin signal arises abruptly. Later on it slows due to an interference with the neck process (drifts between the two hotspots).

• Requirements : stable mean field, stochastic character. Common statistical assumptions, i.e. freeze out or neck kinematics in absence of an environment, would not hold.

• Open question : what does a different combination of fluctuation+clustering prescription produce in situation of transition between two mechanisms?

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