Isospin dependent multifragmentation of relativistic projectiles

Donges

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the ALADiN spectrometer

MUSIC III

magnet

NIC

100

Donges

lion

Volker Serfling

716

1000mm

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magnet



main result:

- neutron richness of intermediate mass fragments requires ...
- reduced symmetry term in the liquid-drop description used in the statistical multifragmentation model
- possible implications for astrophysical scenarios

introduction: projectile fragmentation



the rise and fall of multiframentation

invariance with target or incident energy as indicator of equilibrium

equilibrium conditions T \approx 5-6 MeV and $\rho \approx \rho_0/3$ experimentally determined

large fluctuations in the transition region between heavy-residue formation and multifragmentation



A. Schüttauf et al., NPA 607 (1996) "Universality of spectator fragmentation ..."

astrophysical motivation



dashed: adiabatic evolution, e.g., collapse along constant entropy per baryon S/B

the nuclear equation-of-state



from Sauer, Chandra, Mosel Nucl. Phys. A 264, 221 (1976) from de Jong and Lenske Phys. Rev. C 57, 3099 (1998) experiment: isospin dependence of multifragmentation of relativistic projectiles





Z resolution

ZTP-MUSIC IV

107 Sp

¹⁰⁷Sn

¹⁰⁷Sn

Re

R

-2

0

N-Z

2

¹²⁴Sn

124Sn

124Sr

124Sn

Yield (a.u.)

2000 Collaboration

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global observables: isotopic effects are small

fragment multiplicity

largest fragment



 $Z_{\text{bound}} = \Sigma Z_i (Z_i \ge 2)$

C. Sfienti et al., PRL 102, 152701 (2009)

isotopes: nuclear structure and memory effects



D. Henzlova et al., arXiv:nucl-ex/0507003

isotopes: nuclear structure and memory effects



SMM ensemble calculations used for analysis

(SMM: Statistical Multifragmentation Model)

mass variation with excitation \rightarrow energy taken into account; fixed to reproduce exclusive yields





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sensitive to symmetry term



sensitive to surface term /



main result: neutron-rich fragment yields require low symmetry energy



isoscaling fits



S. Bianchin, J. Łukasik

isoscaling:

ratios of fragment yields from two reactions different in N/Z show exponential behavior as functions of neutron or proton numbers



M.B. Tsang et al., PRC 64 (2001)

isoscaling analysis

similar results with either combination of projectile pairs

exp. data

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open symbols + lines: ensemble calculations performed with 4 different values for the symmetry-term coefficient $\gamma = 25$ (standard),

14, 8, 4 MeV

fragments in the hot environment



symmetry term reduced at chemical freeze-out in multifragmentation reactions

mass distributions become wider as we move from evaporation to vaporization

surface term (and temperature) account for only part of the effect

reported by Le Fèvre et al., similar results from Texas A&M, Indiana@Ganil, FRS@GSI ...

"important for realistic description of the **nuclear composition** for understanding stellar dynamics and nucleosynthesis"



quotation from A.S. Botvina and I.N. Mishustin, NPA 843, 98 (2010)

discussion

surface not sufficient

calculation with the Myers-Swiatecki parameters for the volume and surface symmetry term cpefficients underestimate the neutron richness by $\Delta(\langle N \rangle / Z) \approx 0.05$







discussion cont'd: tests of specific assumptions





N/Z of spectator system

N/Z difference reduced => <N>/Z moves into wrong direction

restoration interval

 $E_x^{int} = 3$ MeV corresponds to T=5 MeV requires even smaller γ



 Symmetry energy of AMD fragments at breakup

A. Ono et al., PRC 70 (2004)

"Resilience of nuclear matter in light ion induced reactions"

relevance for astrophysics

Density dependence of electron-capture rates R_e on hot nuclei in supernova environment at temperatures T = 6and 0.6 MeV, and the electron fractions $Y_e = 0.2$ and 0.4

reduced γ causes factor 2 here



A.S. Botvina and I.N. Mishustin, NPA 843, 98 (2010)

relevance for astrophysics

Z distributions do not depend much on γ (left panels)

mass distributions become wider and more neutron rich (right panels)

examples are for temperatures T = 6 MeV and T = 0.6 MeV and the electron fractions Y_e = 0.2 and 0.4



A.S. Botvina and I.N. Mishustin, NPA 843, 98 (2010)

summary of S254

- 1. secondary beams essential to enhance effects
- 2. small changes of global observables with N/Z important for isolating isospin effects
- 3. isotope distributions exhibit memory and structure effects
- 4. isoscaling obeyed with high accuracy; reduced symmetry term for hot fragments
- 5. N/Z dependence of nuclear caloric curve indicates phase-space driven instability rather than Coulomb instability
- 6. spectator **neutron source** with T=4 MeV, invariant with system N/Z.

C. Sfienti et al., PRL 102 (2009); A.S. Botvina and I.N.Mishustin, NPA 843, 98 (2010); R. Ogul et al., arXiv:1006.3723 (2010); D. Henzlova et al., arXiv:nucl-ex/0507003