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introduction
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## the nuclear phase diagram



from Sauer, Chandra, Mosel Nucl. Phys. A 264, 221 (1976) from Fritsch, Kaiser, Weise Nucl. Phys. A 750, 259 (2005)

## I. motivation: limiting temperatures

Bonche, Levit, Vautherin, NPA 436, 265 (1985)



question:

what is the limiting temperature up to which a compound nucleus can be excited

answered with temperature-dependent Hartree-Fock calculations

the nucleus in equilibrium with its surrounding vapor



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## limiting temperatures



Fig. 1. Limiting temperatures predicted by Besprosvany and Levit [86]. Phys. Lett. B 217, 1 (1989)

liquid-drop model formulated to represent the physics of the finite-temperature Hartree-Fock calculations

#### the interest:

the limiting temperature is sensitive to the equation of state and to the temperature dependence of the surface tension





## II. experiment: projectile fragmentation



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## projectile fragmentation with ALADIN



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## the ALADiN spectrometer



A, Z resolution, large acceptance and dynamic range, no threshold, neutrons

#### ALADIN experiment S254

"Mass and isospin effects in multifragmentation"



## radioactive beam production



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## final mass spectra: <sup>124</sup>Sn

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## final mass spectra: <sup>107</sup>Sn

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## final mass spectra: <sup>124</sup>La

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#### chemical freeze-out temperatures

from double isotope yield ratios:  $T_{HeLi}$  (<sup>3,4</sup>He,<sup>6,7</sup>Li) (Albergo's formula)  $T_{BeLi}$  (<sup>7,9</sup>Be,<sup>6,8</sup>Li)



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## N/Z independence of the nuclear caloric curve



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THE LIMITING TEMPERATURE OF HOT NUCLEI FROM MICROSCOPIC EQUATION OF STATE



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Temperature (MeV)

## if it is not Coulomb ... what drives the system to expansion ?

the asymptotic phase space
 early fragment recognition and persistence

# the asymptotic phase space

#### D.H.E. Gross et al. PRL 56, 1544 (1986)



#### C.A. Ogilvie et al., PRL (1991)



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Campi et al., PRC 67, 044610 (2003)



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see also: A. Le Fèvre and J. Aichelin, Phys. Rev. Lett. 100, 042701 (2008)

## IV. isoscaling

in reactions <sup>112</sup>Sn+<sup>112</sup>Sn and <sup>124</sup>Sn+<sup>124</sup>Sn at 50 A MeV



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## isoscaling in S254

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### 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. N/Z dependence of nuclear caloric curve indicates phase-space driven instability rather than Coulomb instability
- 5. isoscaling obeyed with high accuracy; results of INDRA@GSI confirmed and extended; reduced symmetry term for hot fragments