

**NEW SIGNATURES ON DISSIPATION
FROM THE STUDY OF
RELATIVISTIC HEAVY-ION COLLISIONS**

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Introduction

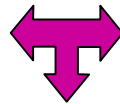
Deexcitation process of the nucleus:

- Statistical model
- Dynamical model

Transport theories

Two types of degrees of freedom

Collective



intrinsic

Dissipation:

$$\beta = dE_{\text{coll}}/dt [1/(E_{\text{coll}}^{\text{eq}} - E_{\text{coll}})]$$

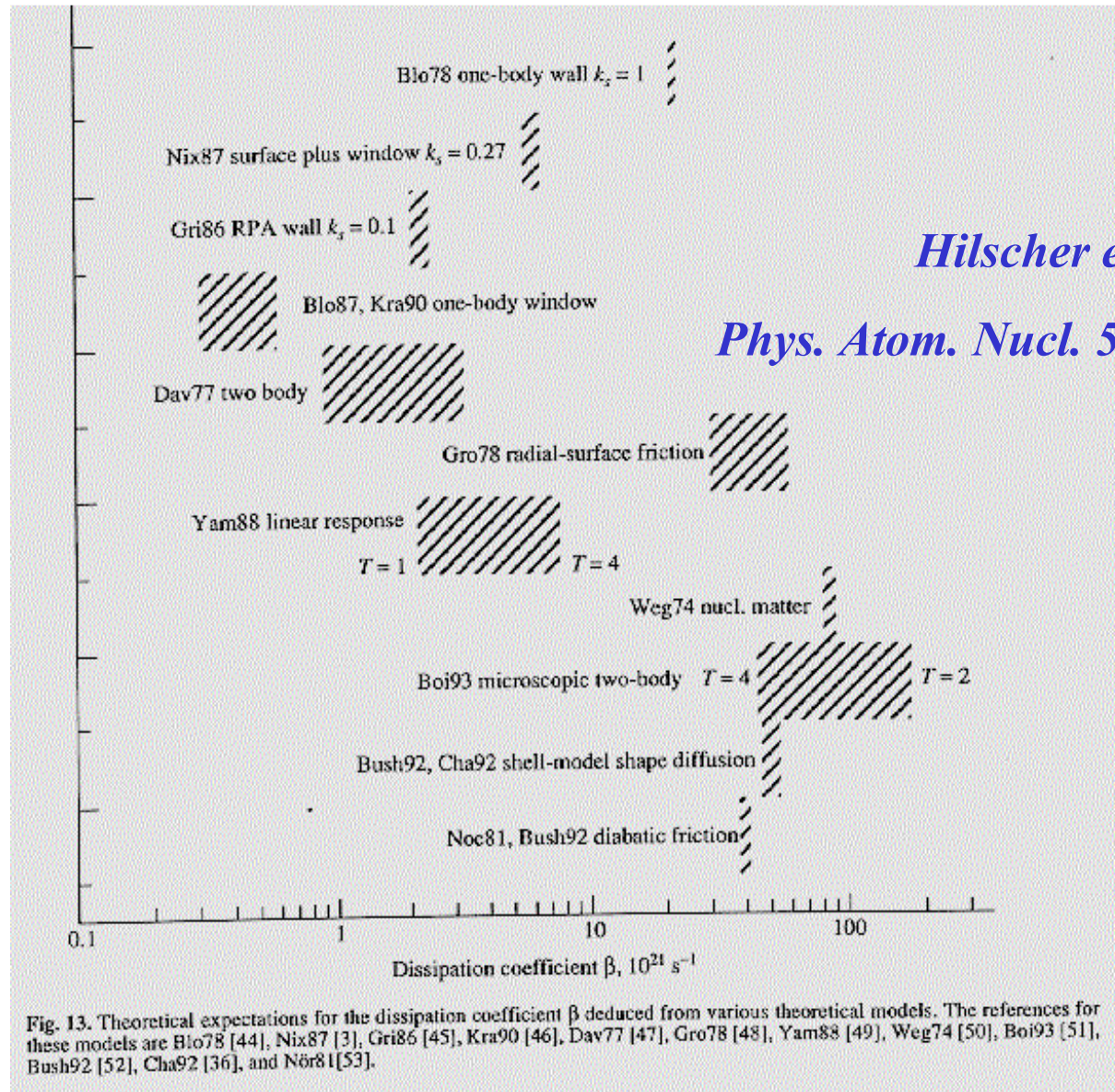
β rules the relaxation of the coll. degrees of freedom

$$\beta(T, q)$$

Fission is an appropriate tool for investigating dissipation

Current knowledge on dissipation

Theory:



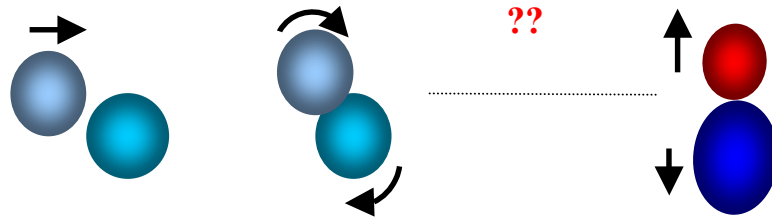
Hilscher et al.

Phys. Atom. Nucl. 57 (1994) 1187

Experiment:

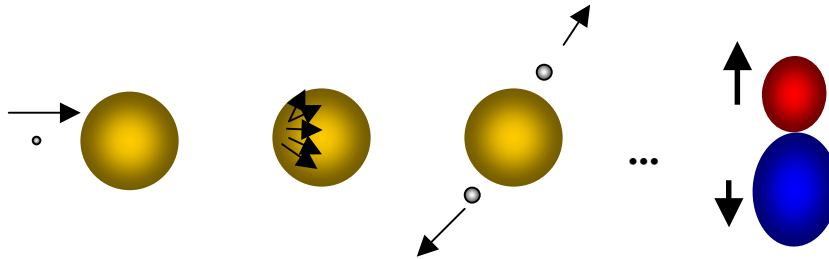
Standard reaction mechanisms to induce fission

*Heavy-ion collisions at $E_{\text{projectile}} \approx 5\text{-}10 \text{ A MeV}$
(Fusion-Fission, Fast fission, Quasifission)*



Dynamical models needed to describe these reactions

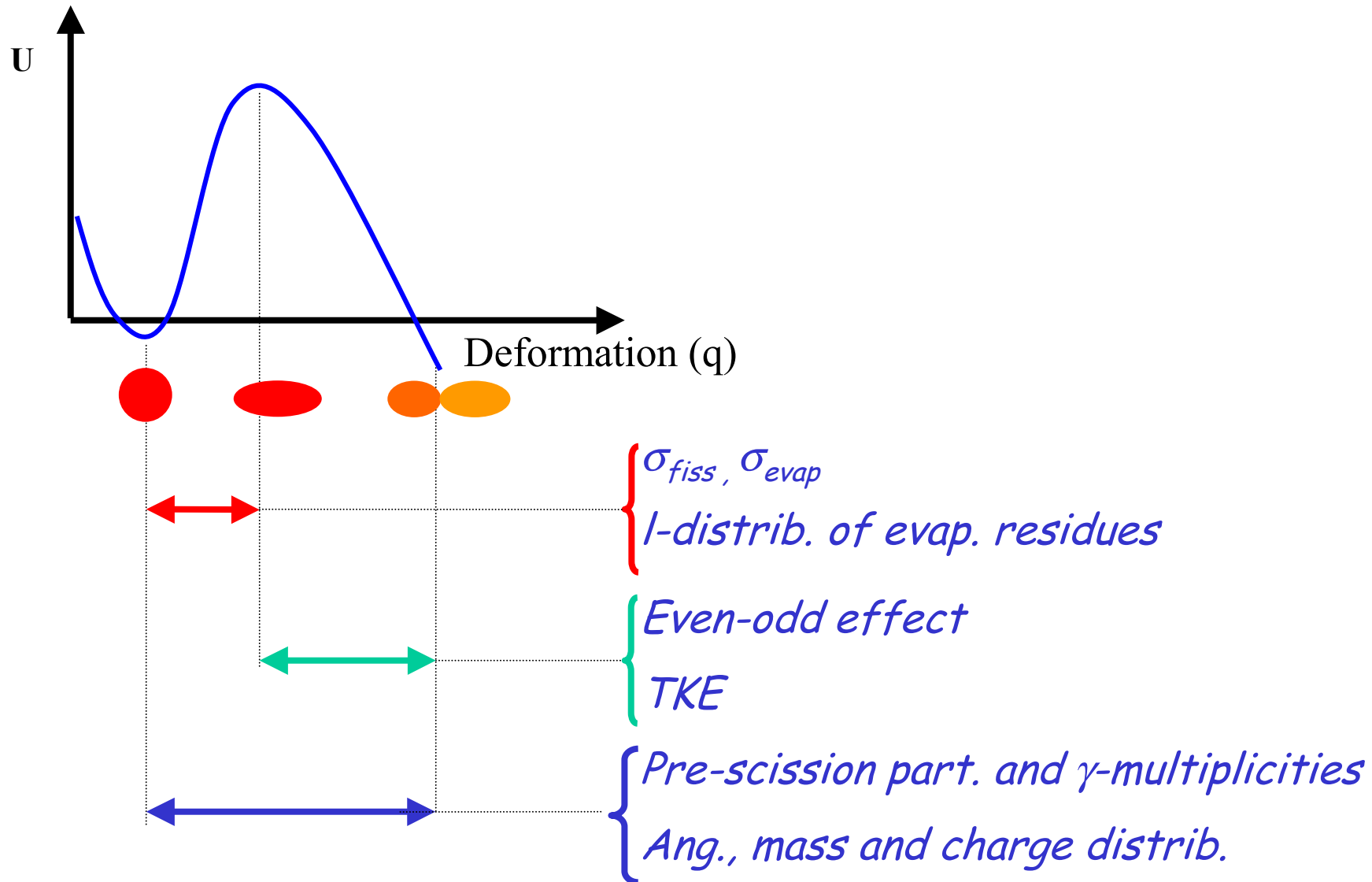
Antiproton annihilation and spallation reactions



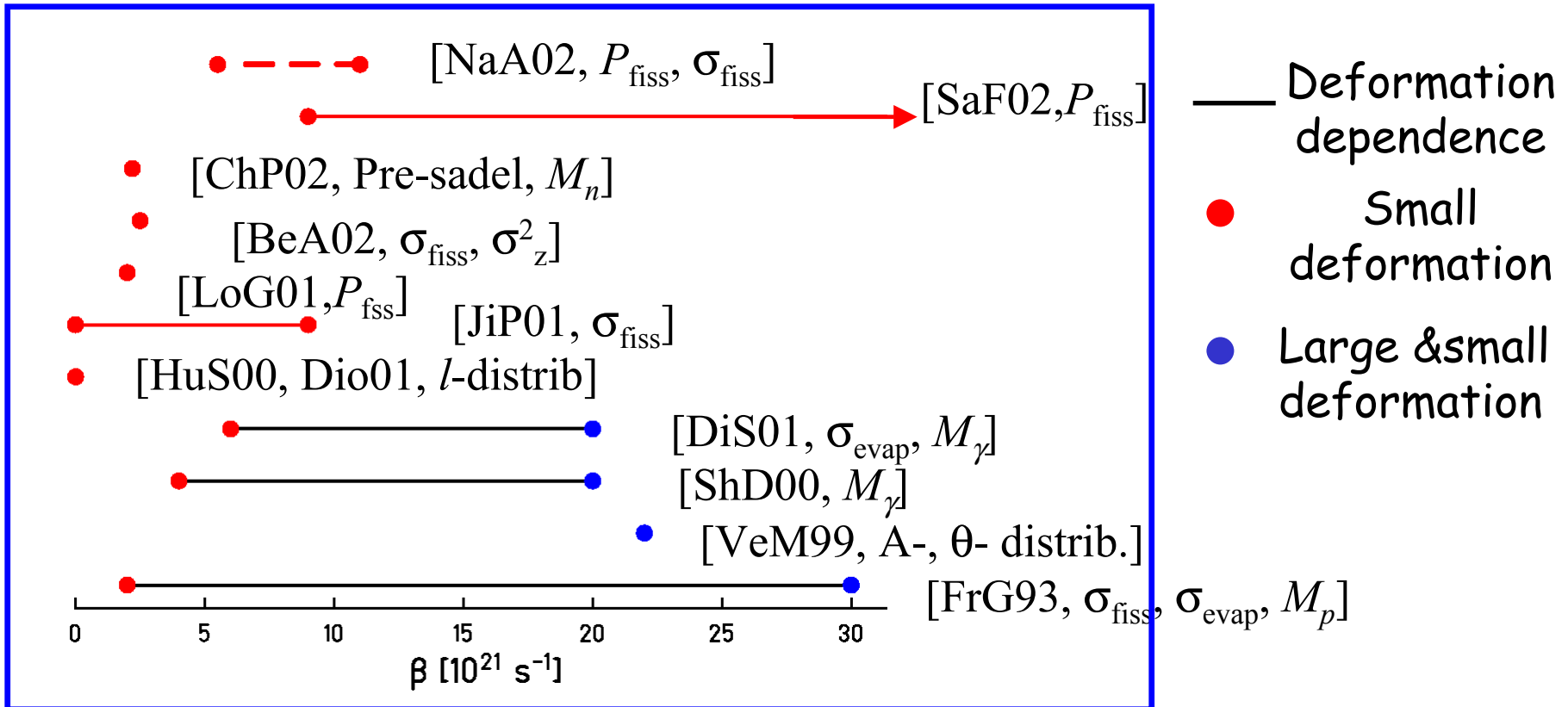
Simplified theoretical description

Difficulty to reach very high E^* with large cross sections

Standard experimental observables



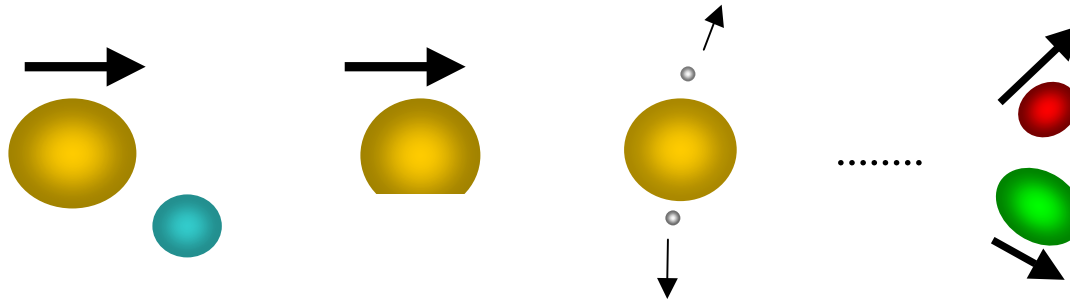
Latest experimental results



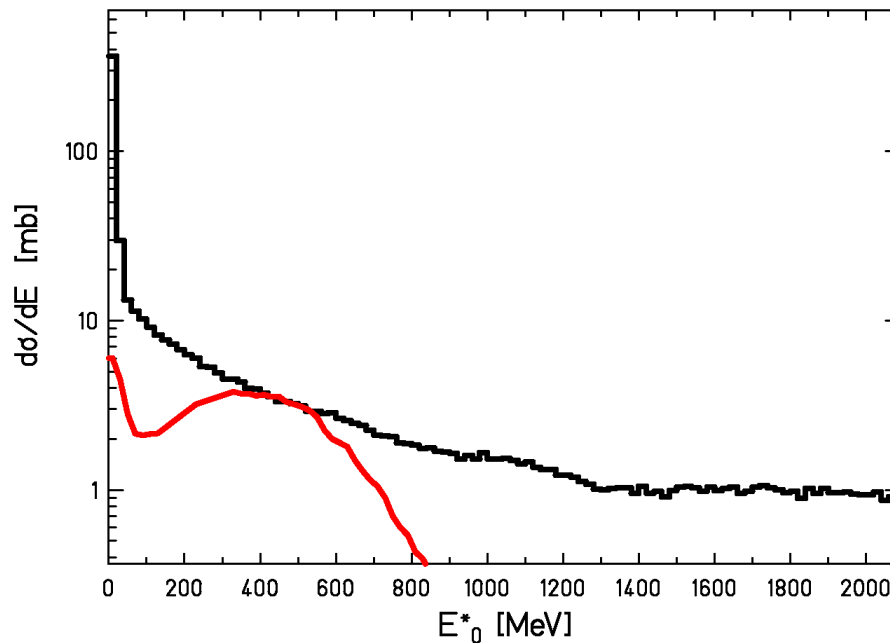
Temperature dependence ??

Fissility dependence ??

Peripheral heavy-ion collisions at relativistic energies



- Small shape distortion
- Low angular momentum
- High intrinsic excitation energies $E^* \sim \Delta A$

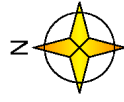
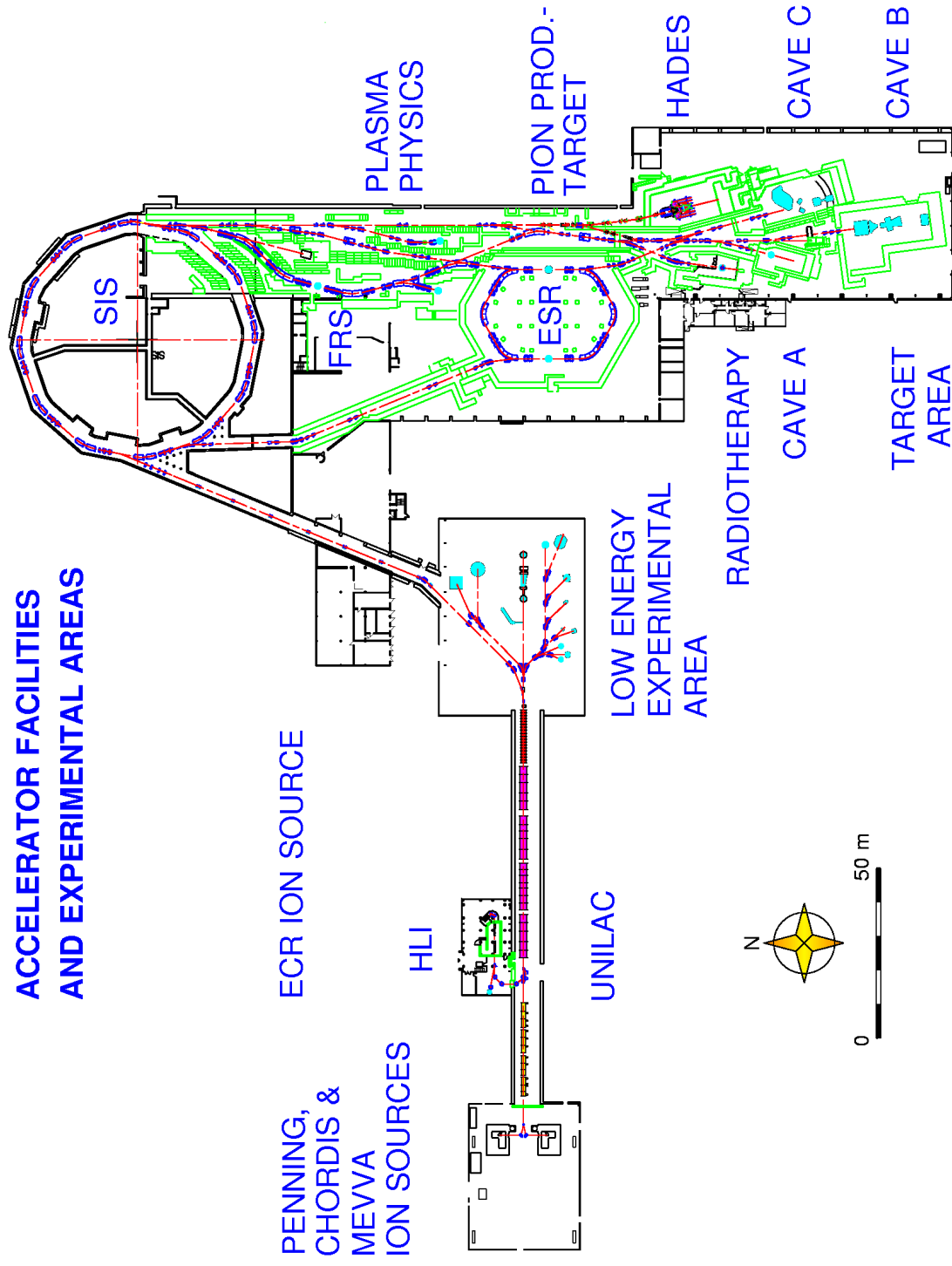


^{238}U (1 AGeV) + Pb
(Calculation Abrasion
Model)

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P (1.2 GeV) + U
(Experimental Data)
(Goldenbaum et al., *Phys.
Rev. Lett.* 77 (1996) 1230)

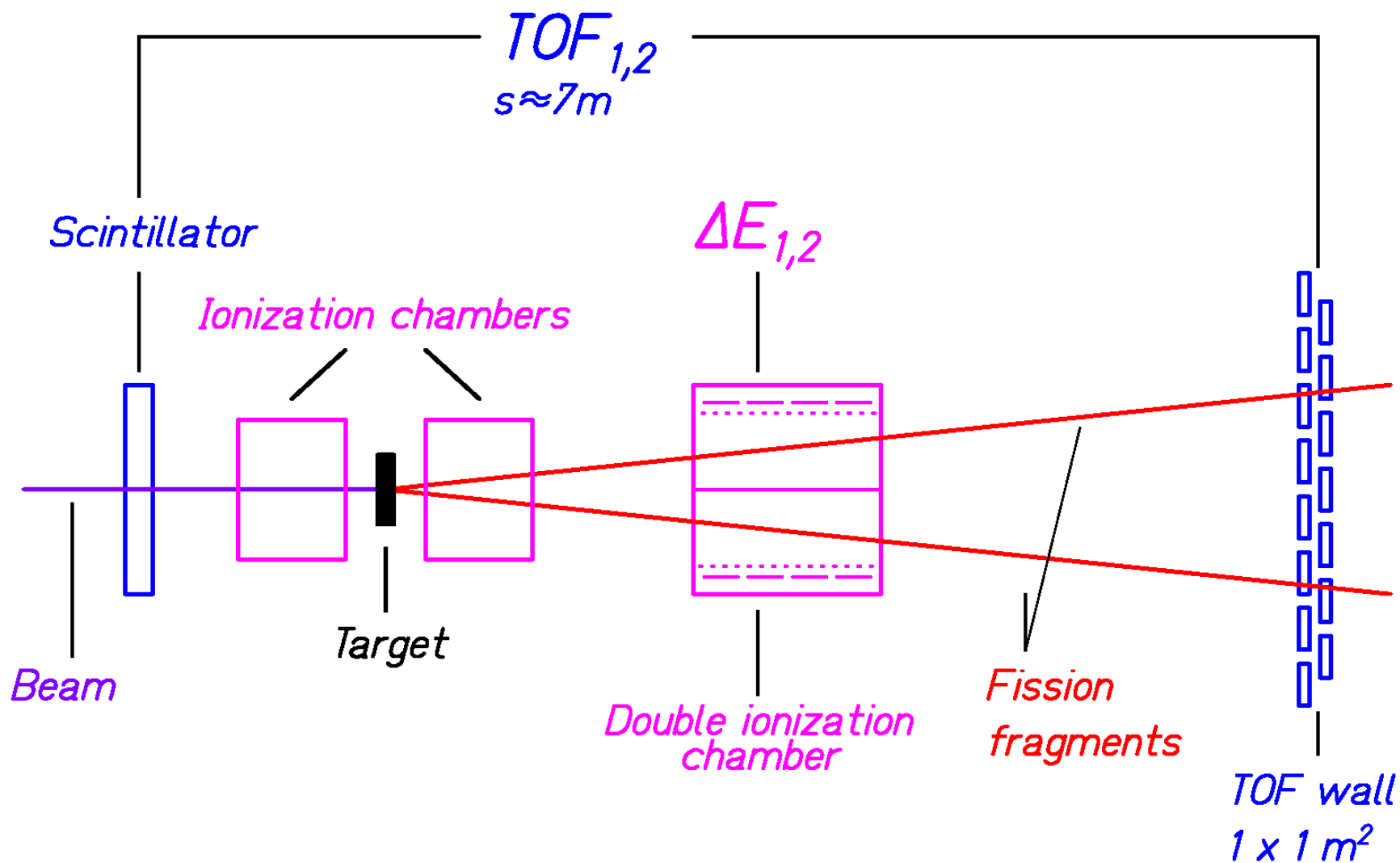
- Inverse kinematics

ACCELERATOR FACILITIES AND EXPERIMENTAL AREAS



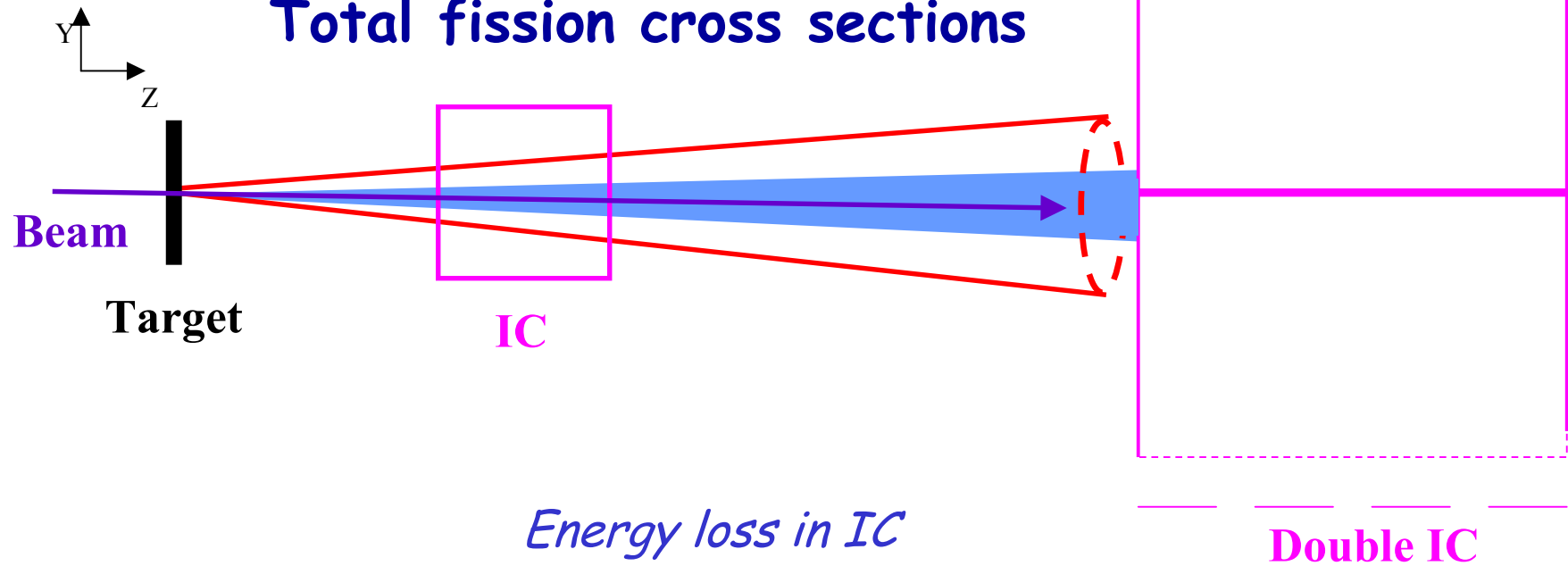
0 50 m

Experimental set-up for fission studies in inverse kinematics

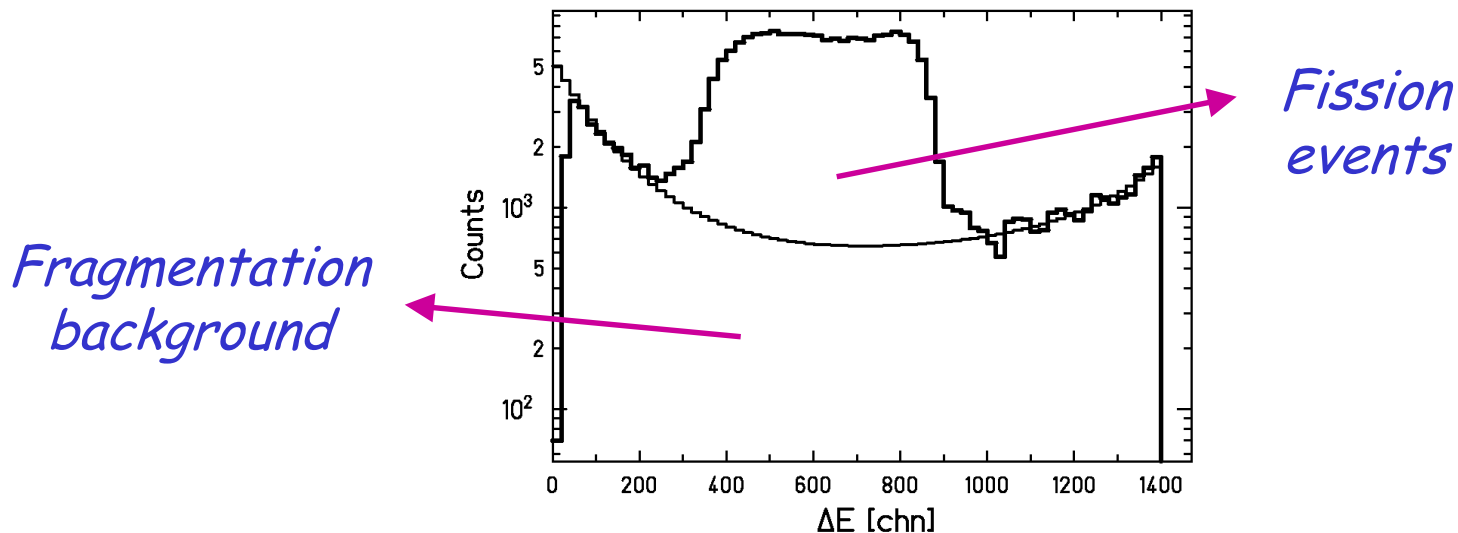


Observables

Total fission cross sections

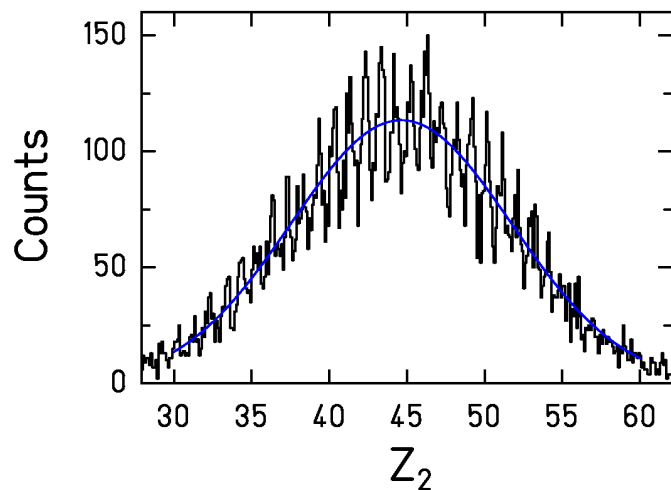


Energy loss in IC

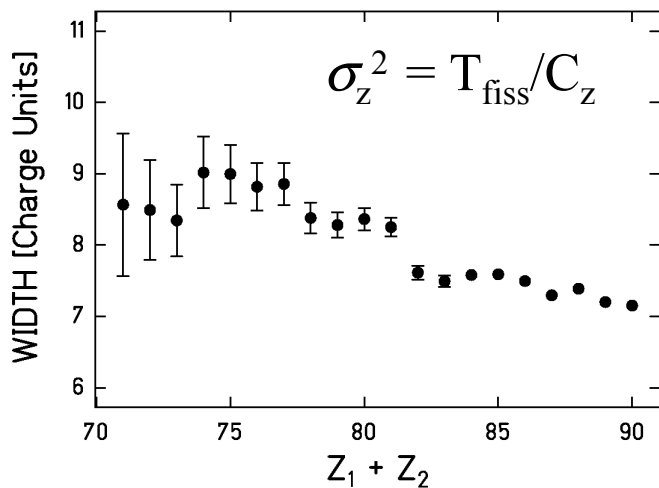
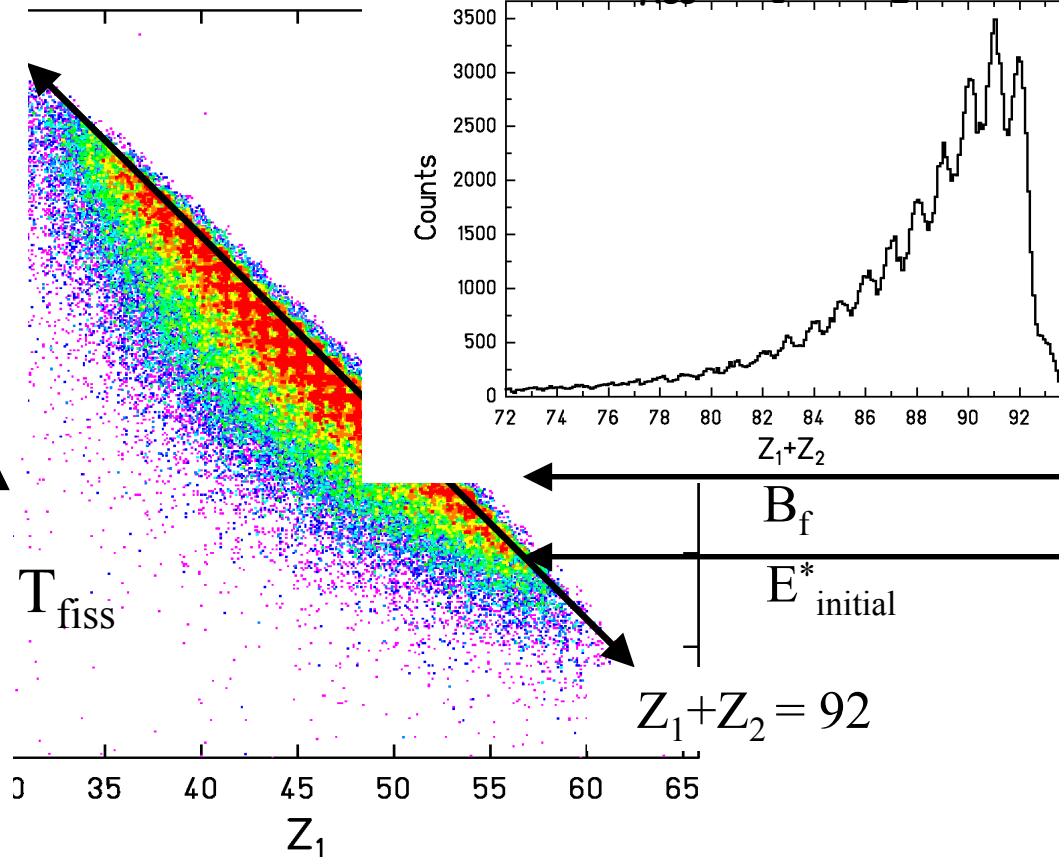
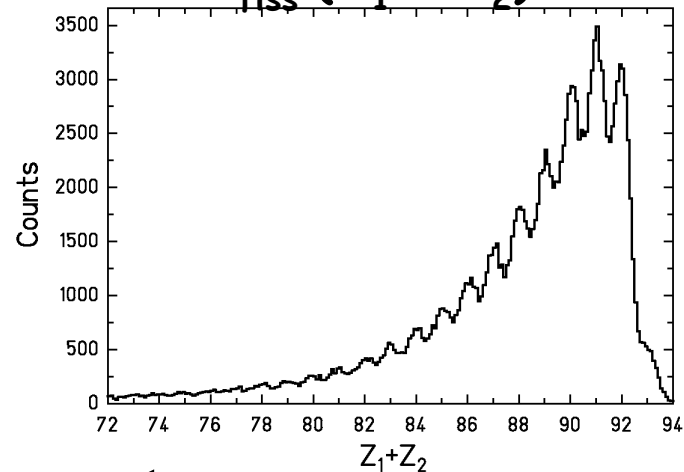


New observables: Partial fission cross sections & Widths of the charge distributions

$$Z_1 + Z_2 = 89$$



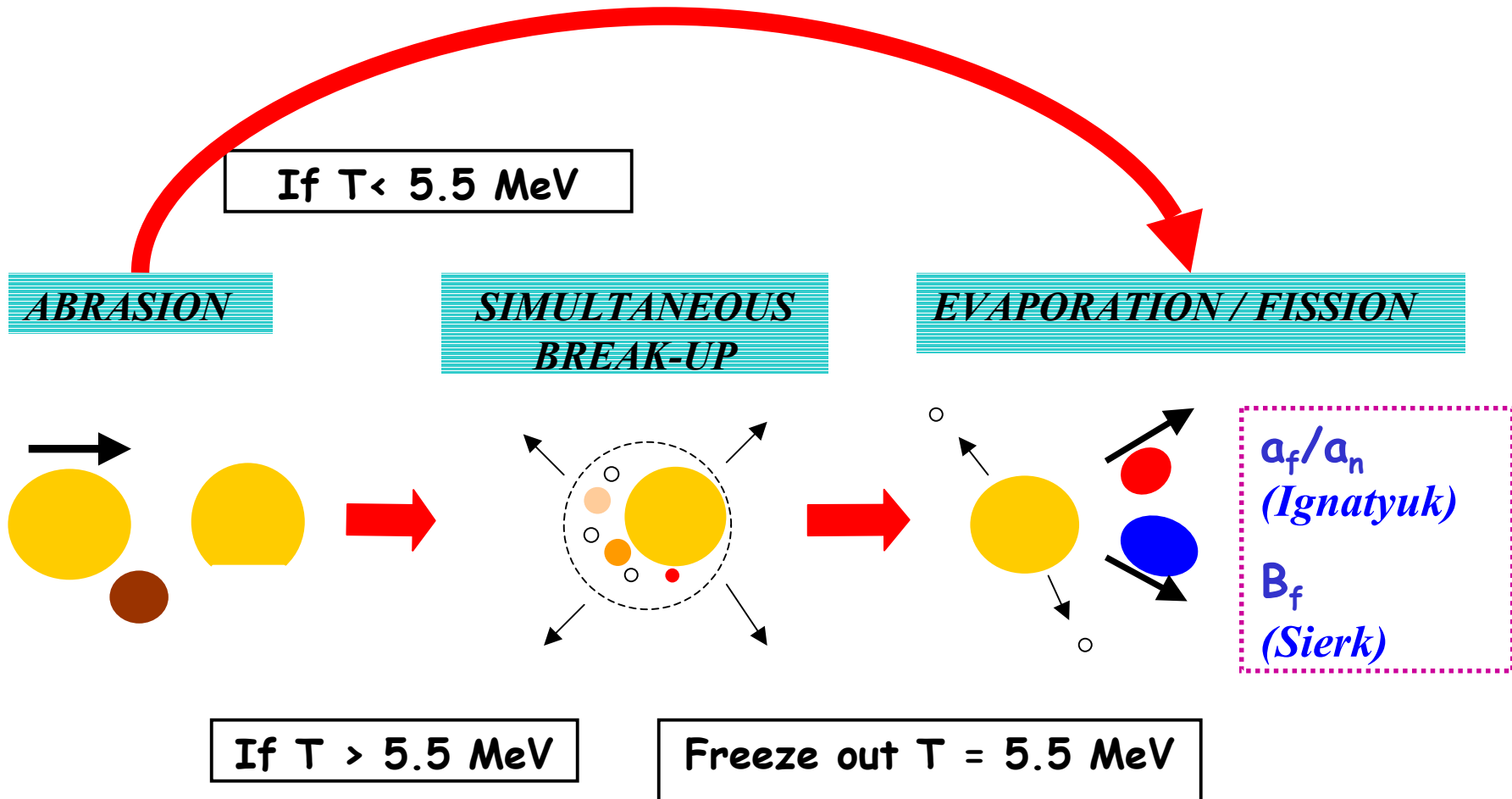
$$(1 \text{ A GeV}) + \text{...} \rightarrow \gamma_{\text{fiss}}(Z_1 + Z_2)$$



$$E^*_{\text{initial}}$$

The model

Updated version of GSI code ABRABLA:



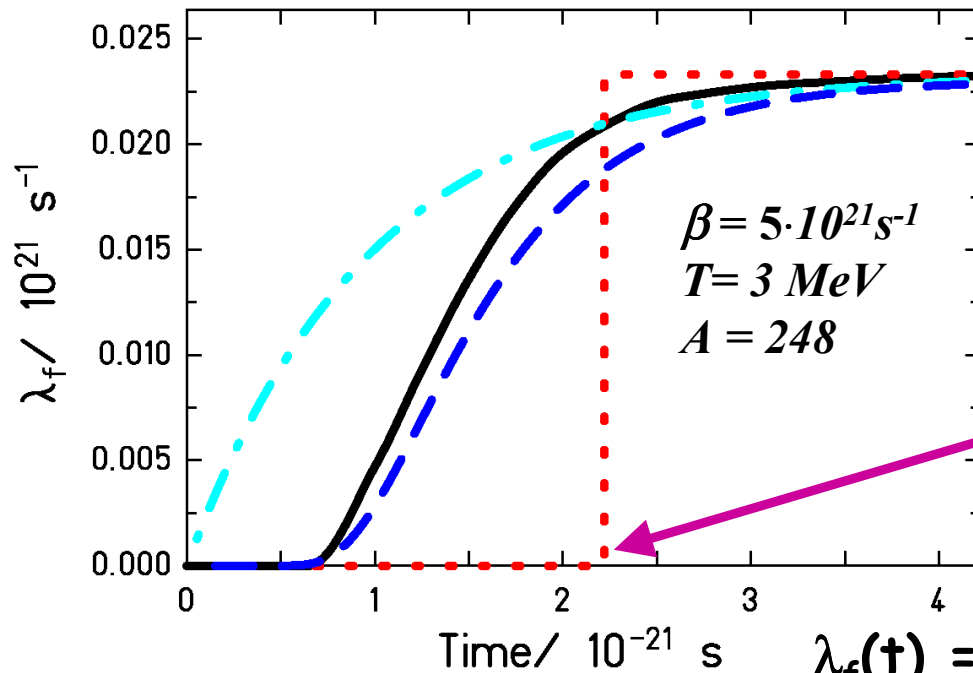
M.V. Ricciardi PhD. Thesis

Model of Grangé & Weidenmüller (1980)

Kramers (1940)

Numerical solution of the FPE under specific initial conditions

$$\lambda_f(t) = \Gamma_f(t)/\hbar$$



Transient time τ_f

$\lambda_f(t) = \text{Num. Sol. FPE}$

(K.-H. Bhatt, et al., Phys. Rev. C 33 (1986) 954)

$\lambda_f(t) = \text{Step Function}$

$\lambda_f(t) \propto (1 - \exp(-2.3t/\tau_f))$

$\lambda_f(t) = \text{Analytical approximation}$

Dependence of β on $\Gamma_{\text{fiss}}(t)$

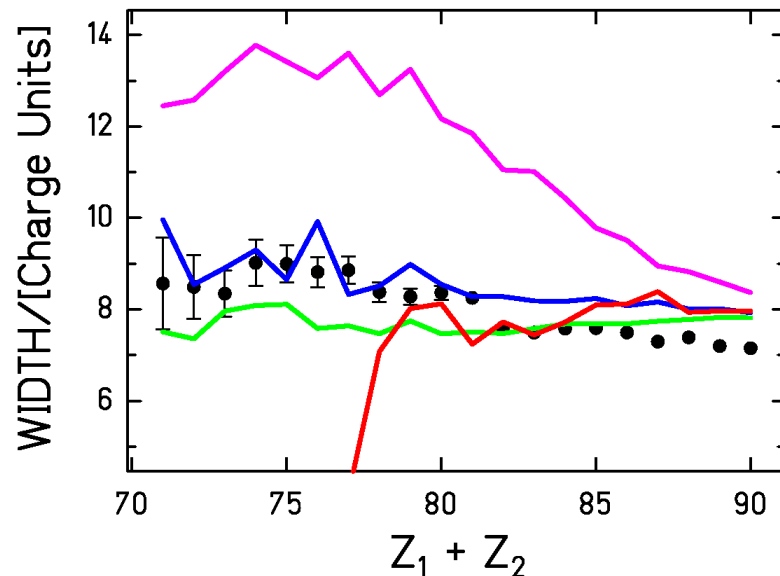
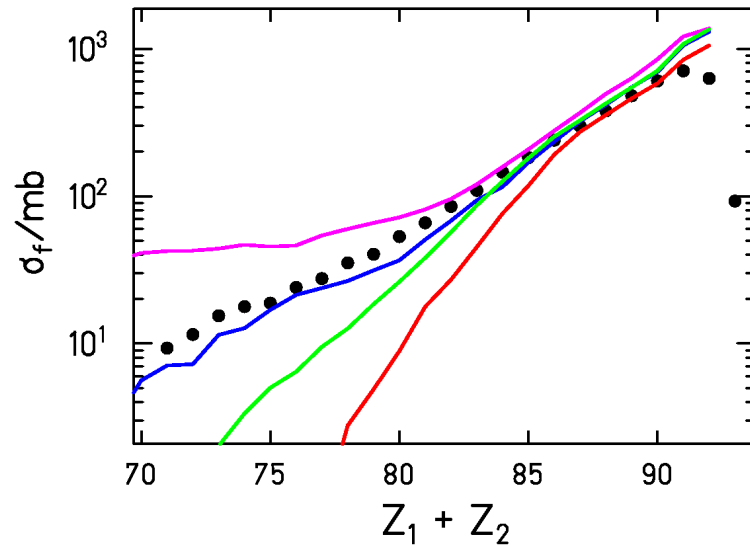
$$\sigma_f^{\text{nucl } 238\text{U}(1 \text{ A GeV}) + \text{Pb}}$$

Experiment	$2.16 \pm 0.14 \text{ b}$
Transition-state model	3.33 b
$\Gamma_f(t)$ step $\beta = 2 \cdot 10^{21} \text{ s}^{-1}$	2.00 b
$\Gamma_f(t) \sim 1 - \exp(-t/\tau)$ $\beta = 4 \cdot 10^{21} \text{ s}^{-1}$	2.04 b
$\Gamma_f(t)$ FPE $\beta = 2 \cdot 10^{21} \text{ s}^{-1}$	2.09 b

The value of β depends on the description for $\Gamma_f(t)$

Influence of β on $\sigma_f(Z_1+Z_2)$ and Z-Width(Z_1+Z_2)

^{238}U (1 A GeV) + $(\text{CH}_2)_n$



- Experimental data
- Transition-state model
- $\beta = 2 \cdot 10^{21} \text{ s}^{-1}$
- $\beta = 0.5 \cdot 10^{21} \text{ s}^{-1}$
- $\beta = 5 \cdot 10^{21} \text{ s}^{-1}$

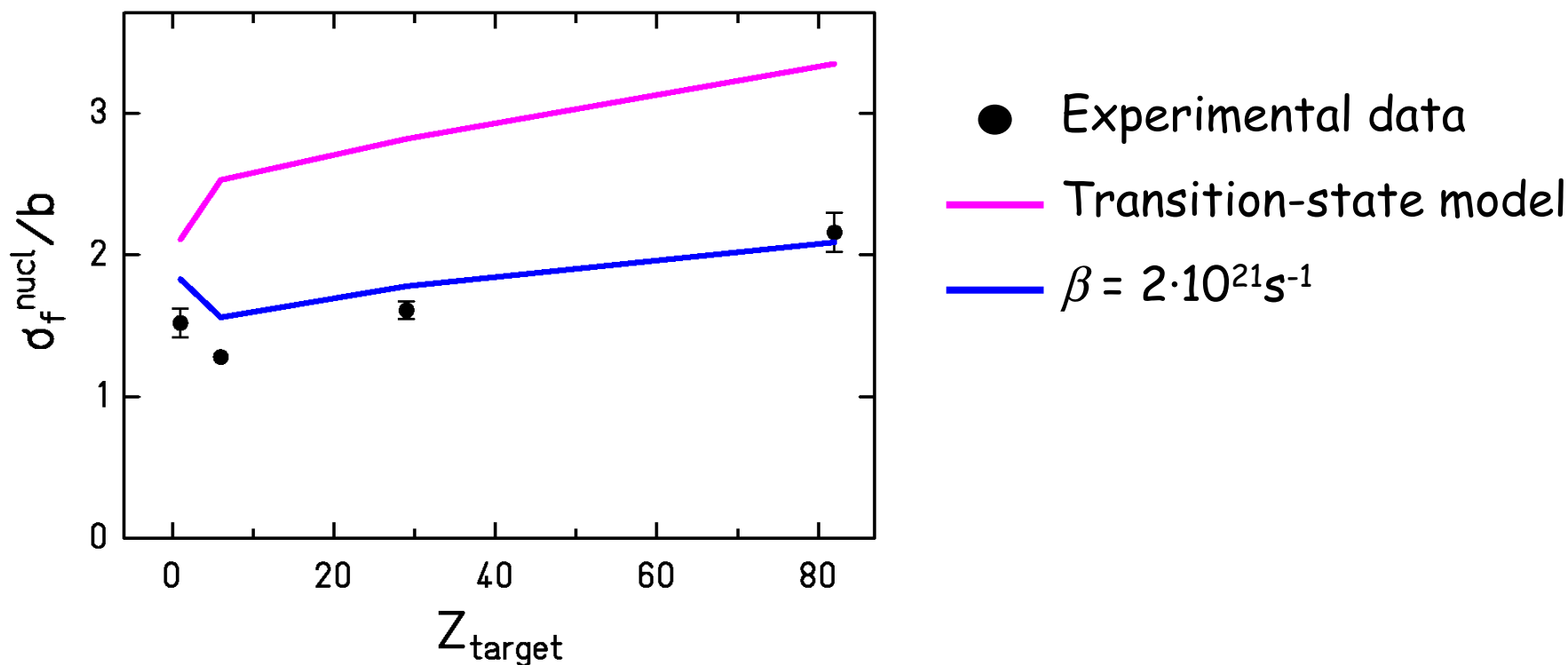
$\beta = 2 \cdot 10^{21} \text{ s}^{-1}$

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$\tau_f \approx (1.7 \pm 0.4) \cdot 10^{-21} \text{ s}$

Target dependence of σ_f^{tot}

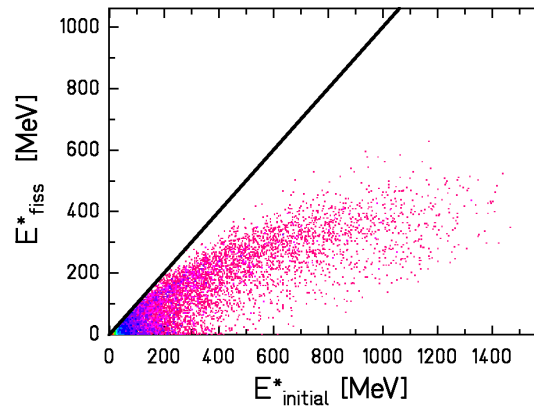
^{238}U (1 A GeV)



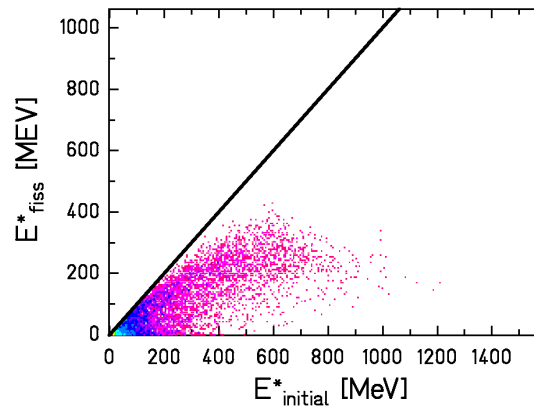
The minimum at $Z_{\text{target}} = 6$ can only be reproduced if dissipation is included

Calculations:

For fission events produced $^{238}\text{U}(1.4\text{ GeV})+\text{Pb}$



NO BREAK-UP

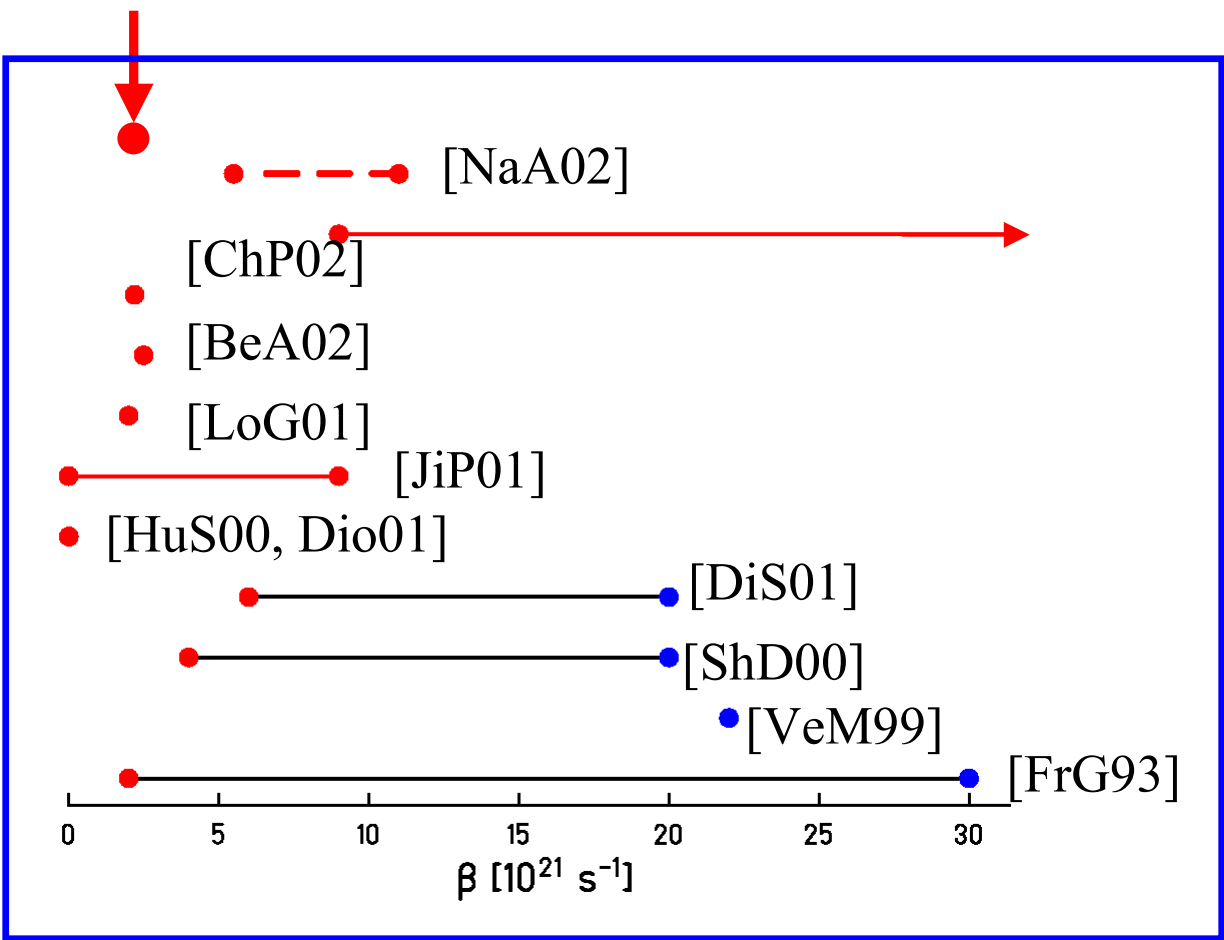


BREAK-UP

*Fission is mainly suppressed by dissipation at high E^**

Fission completely suppressed at $E^ \geq 350\text{ MeV}$*

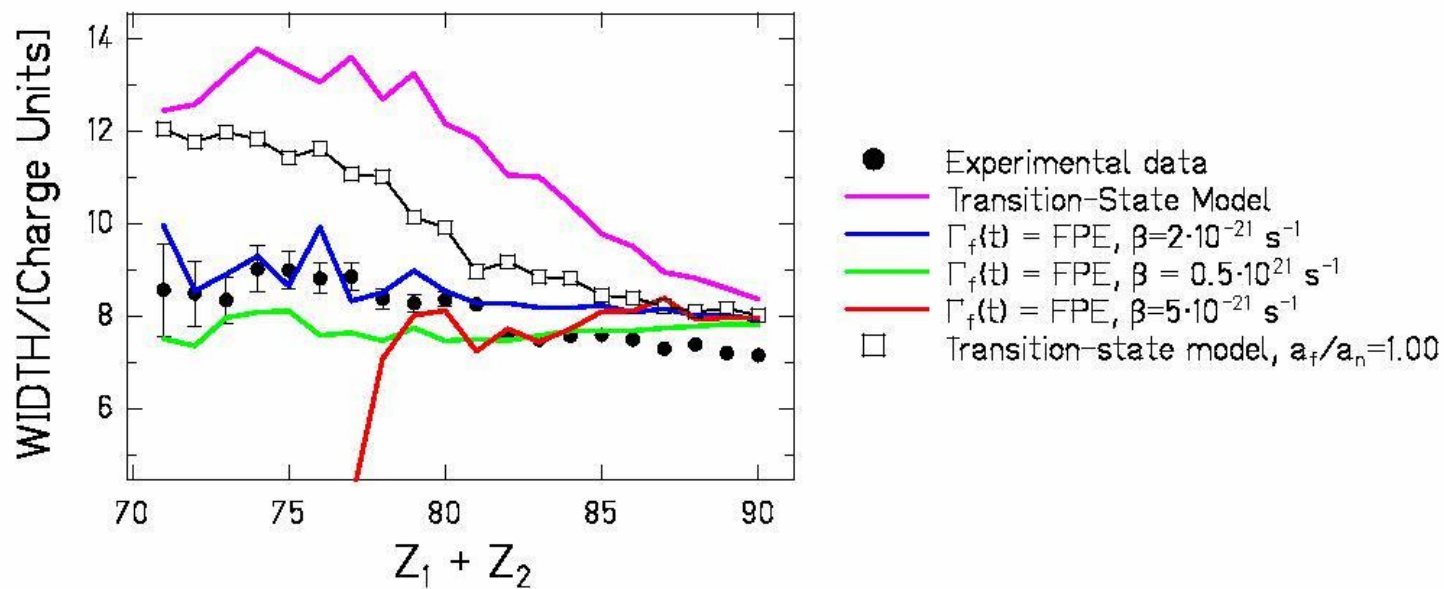
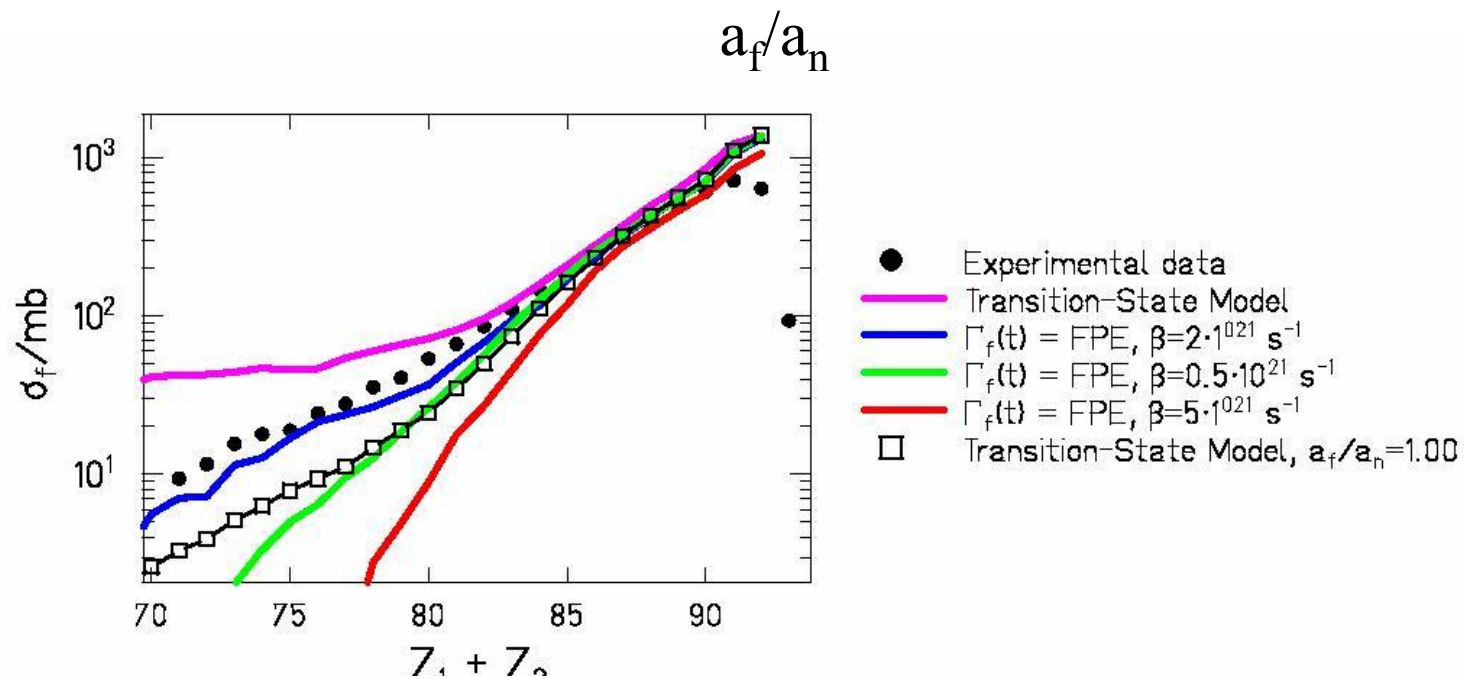
Our result!



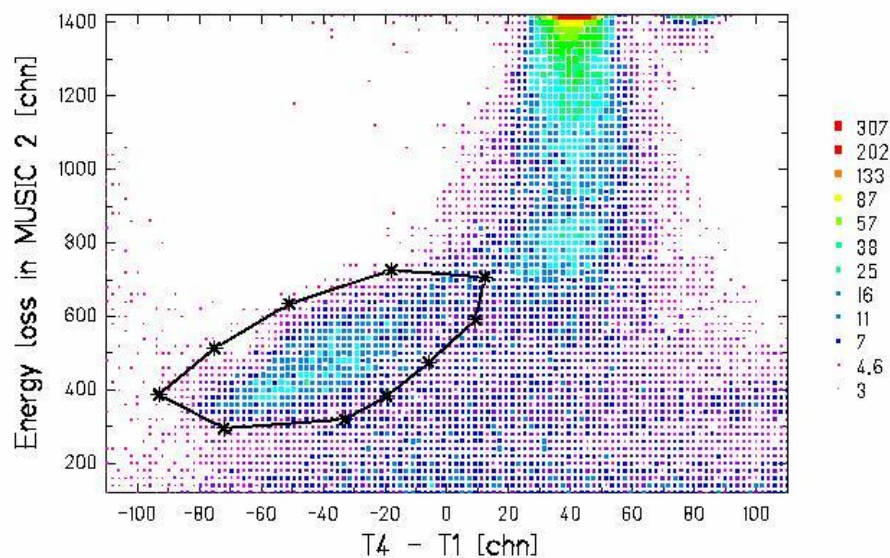
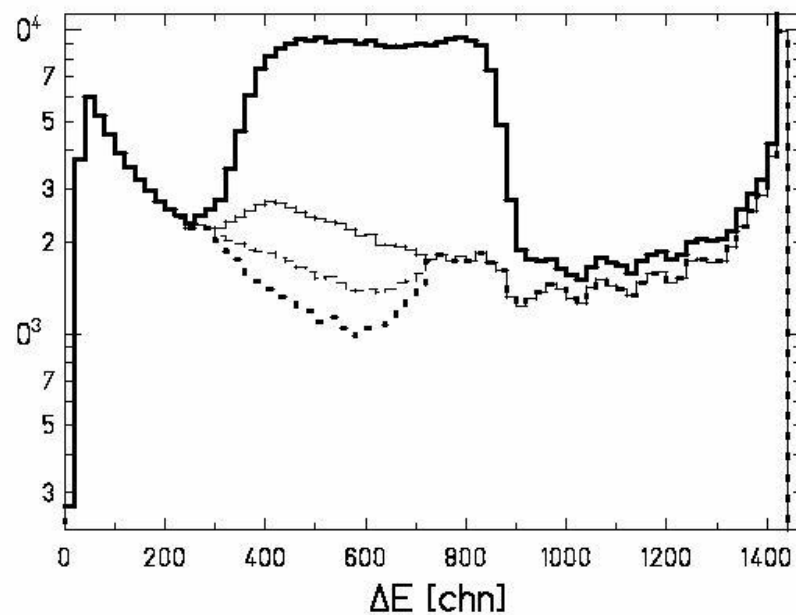
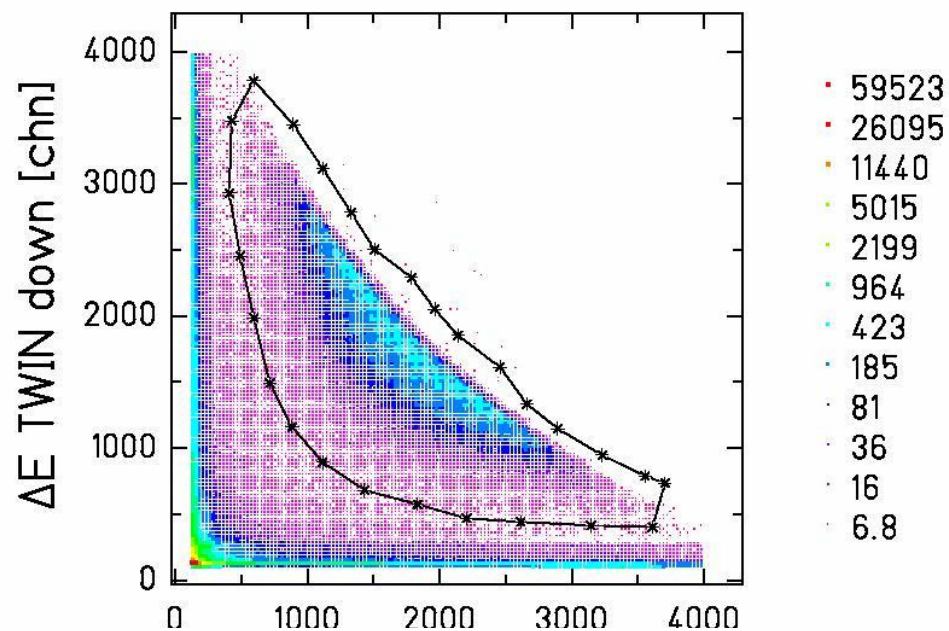
- Deformation dependence
- Small deformation
- Large & small deformation

Conclusions

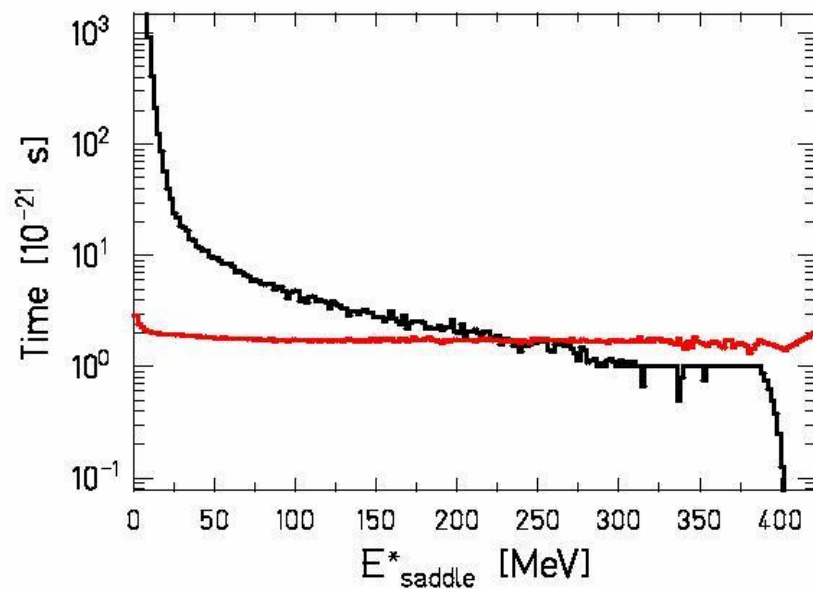
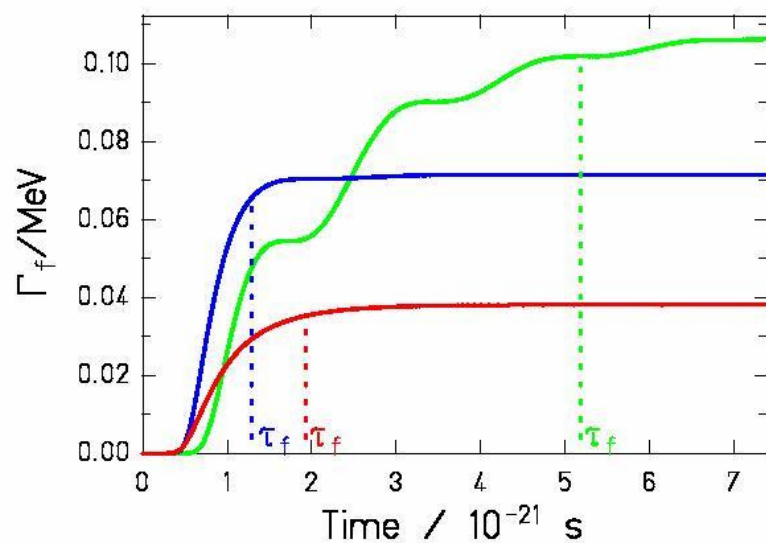
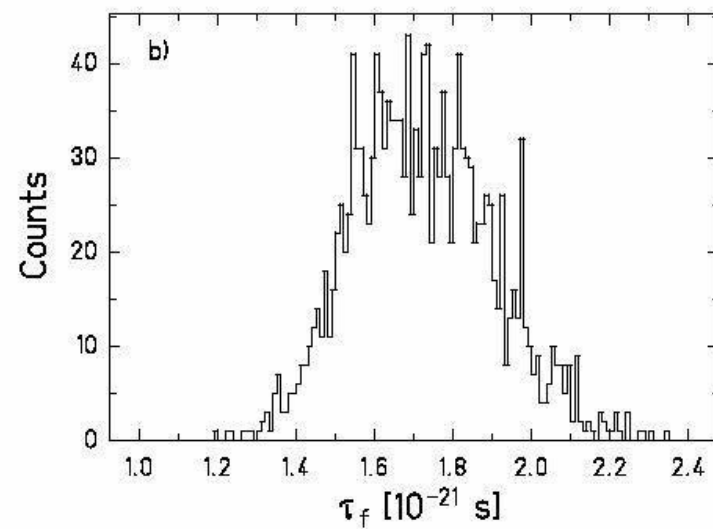
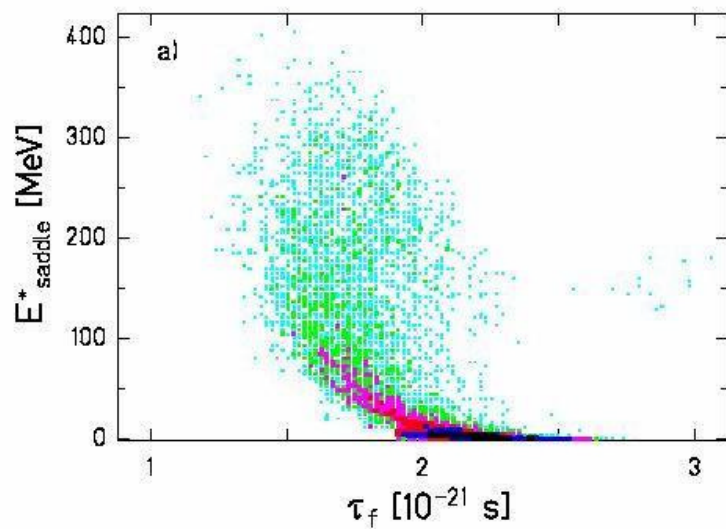
- *Fission induced by peripheral heavy-ion collisions at relativistic energies, ideal conditions for the investigation of dissipation at small deformations*
- *Determination of new observables*
 - *Total nuclear fission cross sections for different targets*
 - *Partial fission cross sections*
 - *Partial widths of the charge distributions of fission fragments*
- *Realistic description for $\Gamma_f(t)$*
- *All observables described by a constant value of*
$$\beta = 2 \cdot 10^{21} \text{ s}^{-1} \longrightarrow \tau_f \approx (1.7 \pm 0.4) \cdot 10^{-21} \text{ s}$$
(critical damping)
- *No indications for dependence on T or Z^2/A*
- *Evidence for strong increase of β with deformation*



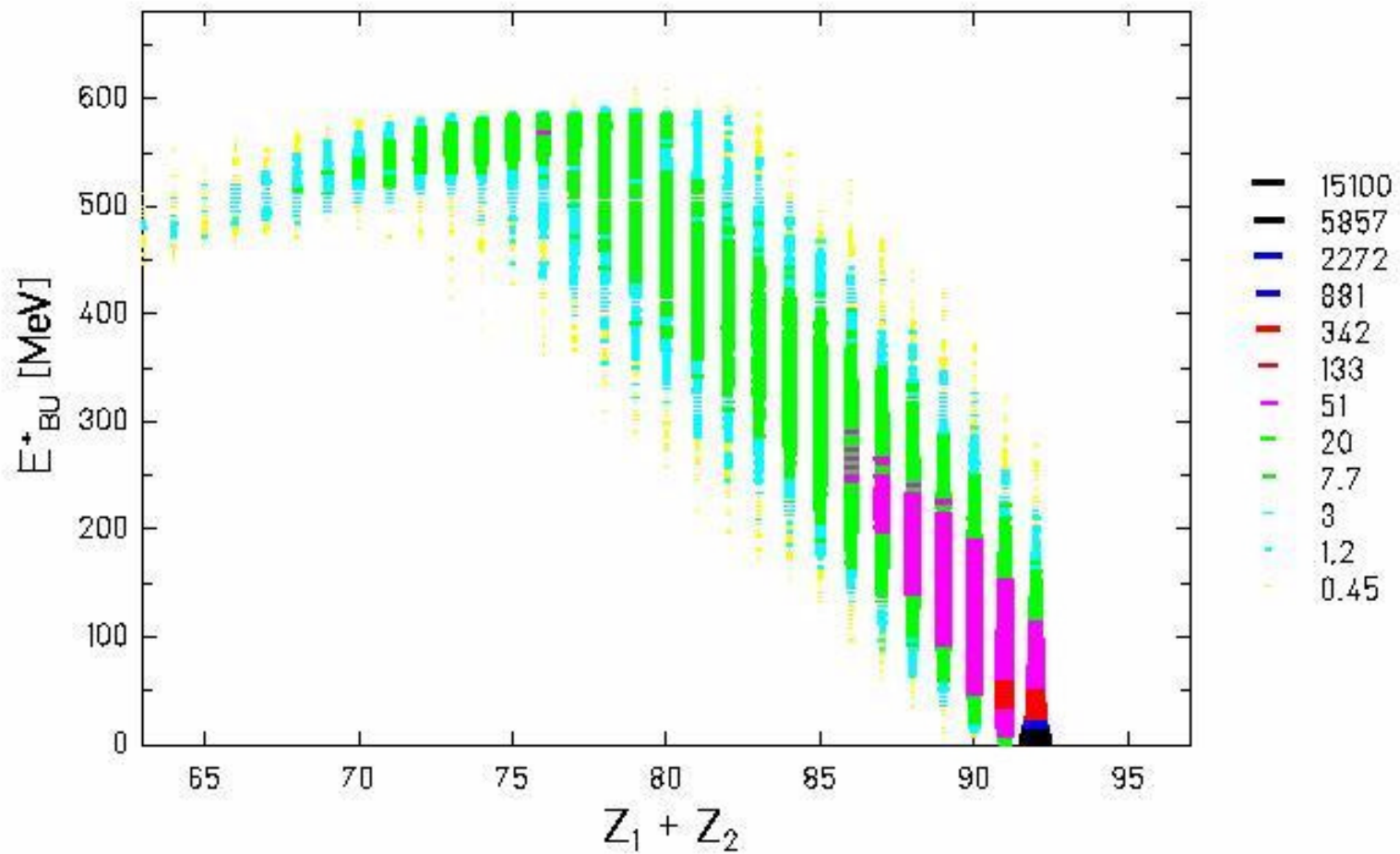
Fragmentation background



Transient time



Excitation energy vs. Z



Outlook

