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Studies of heavy residues from peripheral collisions near the Fermi energy¹

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Neutron-rich nuclei have been produced in peripheral collisions near the Fermi energy. The heavy residues and intermediate mass fragments from the reactions of ^{86}Kr , ^{64}Ni and ^{136}Xe beams with $^{112,124}\text{Sn}$ and $^{58,64}\text{Ni}$ targets have been measured with MARS and BigSol. Additionally the reactions of ^{86}Kr and ^{64}Ni on ^{208}Pb have been studied. These experiments have been designed to study the deep inelastic reaction mechanism. The exchange of nucleons between projectile and target is dependent on the neutron-richness of the reaction partners and has been linked to the nuclear symmetry energy. Experimental results will be presented and compared with predictions of theoretical models.

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