

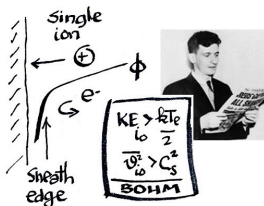
First laser-induced fluorescence measurements of argon  
and xenon ion velocities near the sheath boundary in 3 ion  
species plasmas

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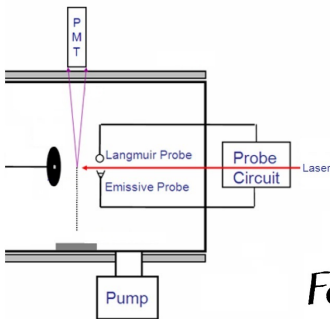


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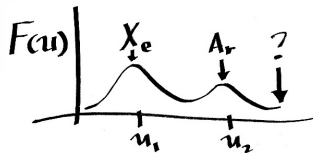
This talk is about Bohm's Criterion, and validating experiments in multiple ion species plasma, performed for the first time



## Bohm's Criterion



## experimental details



## NEW RESULTS W. 3 ION SPECIES

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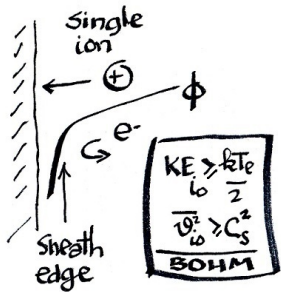


## Team Sheath UW-USD-Iowa

- Noah's recent doctoral student, staff scientist: Dr. Chi-Shung Yip top left,
- latest students at USD, Tim Welsh ('14), Chris Yip ('14), Quinn Pratt ('17)
- Scott Baalrud (U. Of Iowa) 2015 NSF Career Award winner

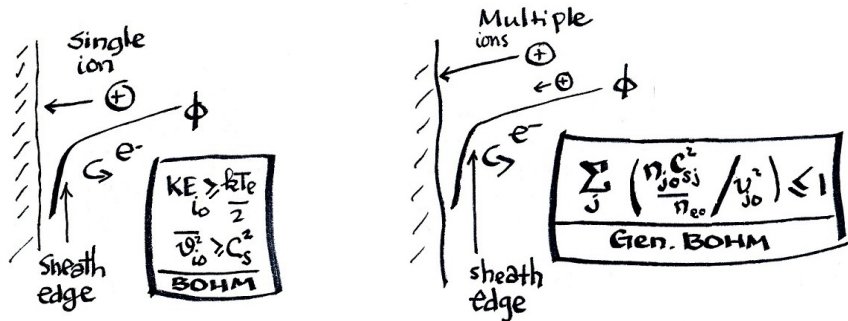


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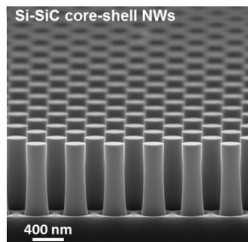
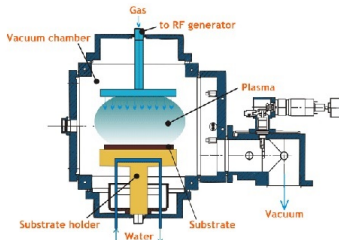
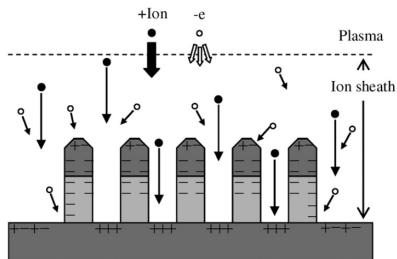


first results, Sheridan, Goree, & Goeckner, verified  $v_{i0} > C_s$  in the sheath. Phys. Fluids B 4 (1992) 1663; **GBc**:

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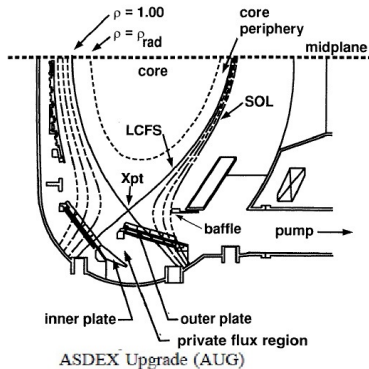
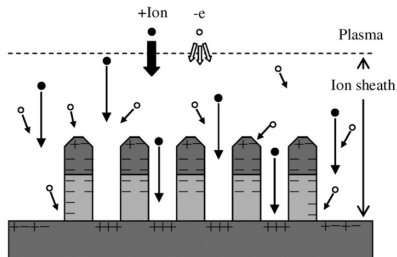
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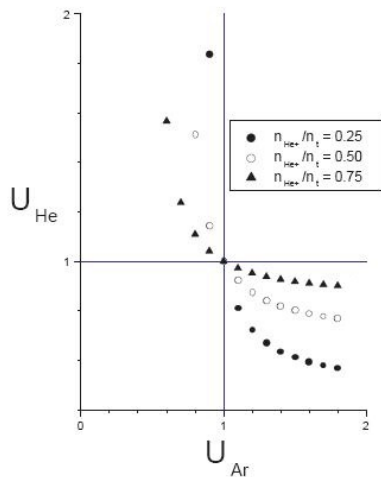
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2012 Plasma Roadmap, Samukowa et al., J. Phys. D: Appl. Phys. 45 (2012) 253001 **\*all such plasma systems are multiple ion species plasmas\***

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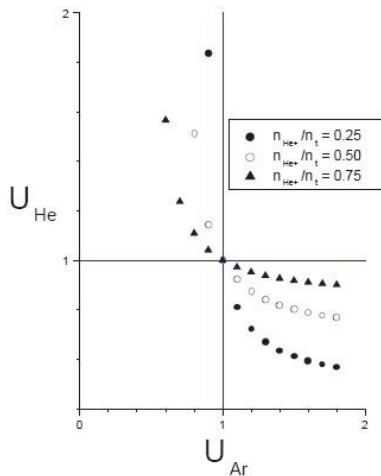
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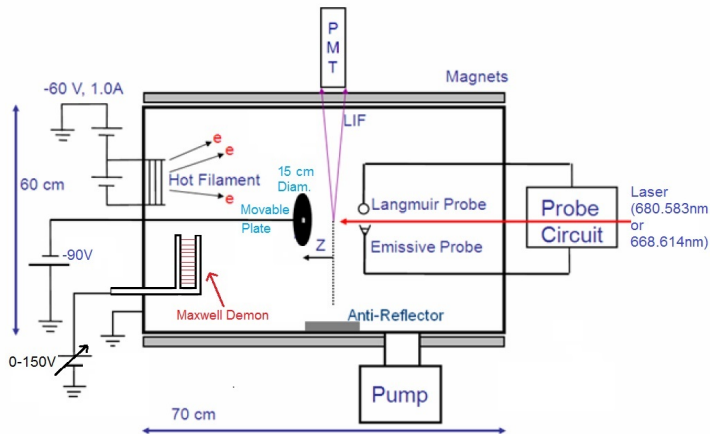
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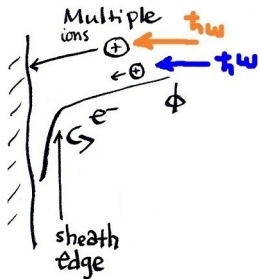
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- IF  $n = 3$ ,  $U_i$  is **Typically Neither!**

# experimental details–2nd part

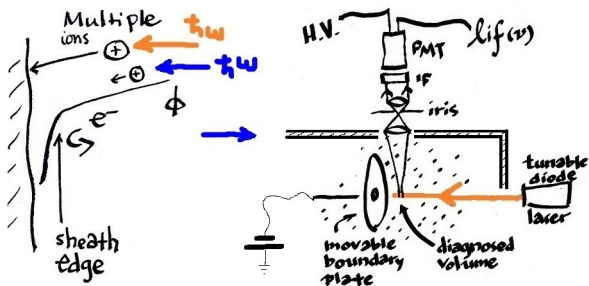


wont treat emissive probe measurements that locate the sheath edge, will treat Laser-induced fluorescence (LIF) measurements

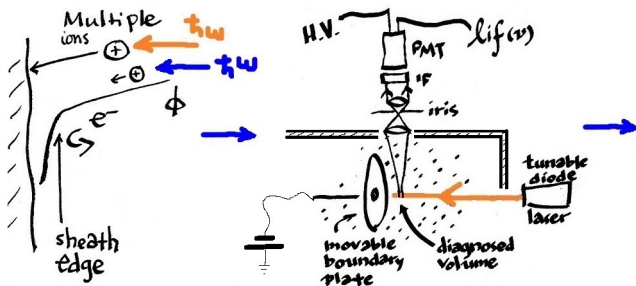
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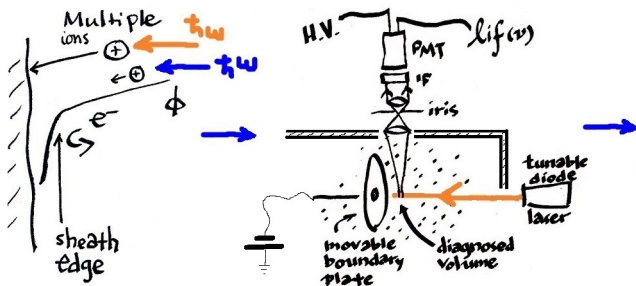


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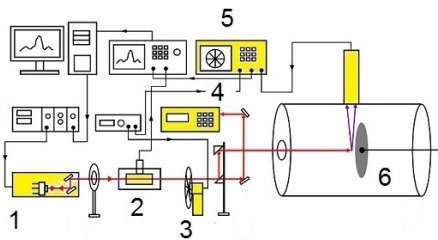
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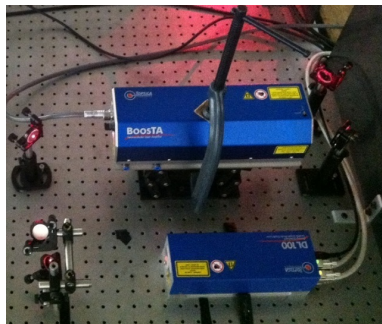
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**NOTE POSITIVE EXPONENT!!**

Typical setup now involves a MOPA laser system: a 'seed' laser optically amplified

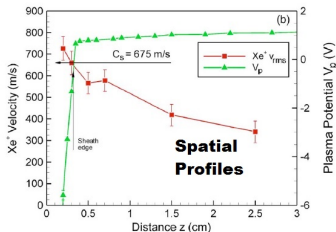
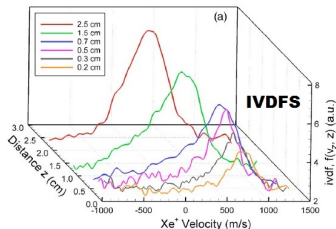
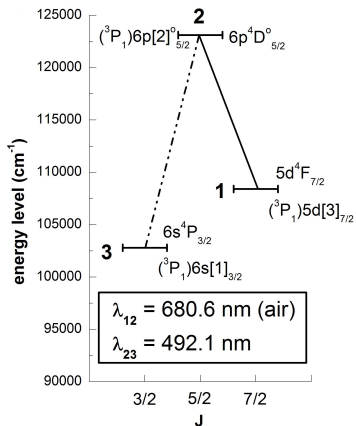


1-Diode Laser, 2-Iodine Cell,  
3-Chopper, 4-Wavemeter, 5-Lock-in,  
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# Bohm Criterion is validated in Xell

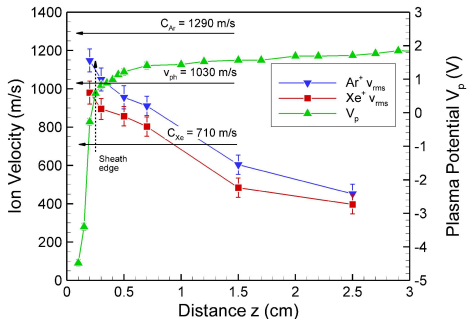
as with ArII, positive moments!



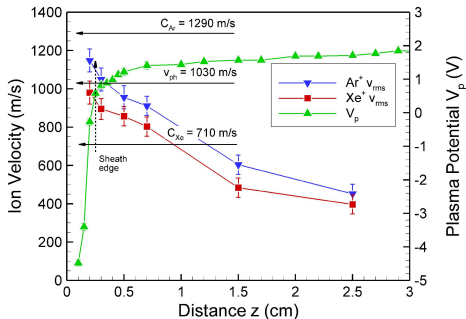
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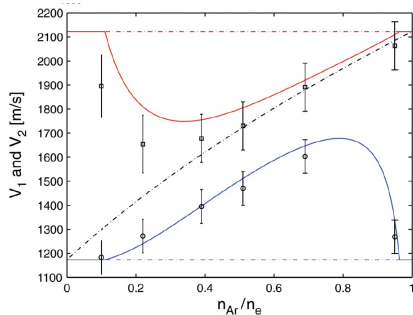
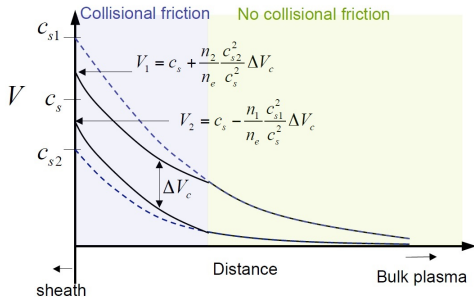
Bohm's Criterion was satisfied

- $\sum_i \frac{n_{io} C_i^2}{n_{eo} v_{io}^2} = 0.97 \pm 0.5$
- velocity 'locking'  $\Rightarrow$  Instability Enhanced Collisional Friction (IEF)

Measurements of Ar+ and Xe+ velocities near the sheath boundary of Ar+Xe plasma using two diode lasers, D.

Lee, N. Hershkowitz, and G. Severn, Appl. Phys. Lett. 91, 041505 (2007)

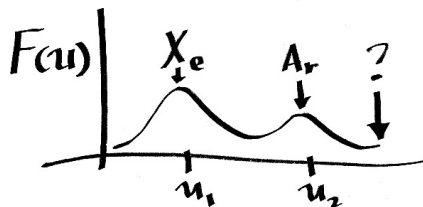
Baalrud et al. predict the IEF, turns on for thermal ions  
 $\Delta V \geq V_{crit}$ ,  $\rightarrow$ , kinetic Bohm Criterion depends on ion flow



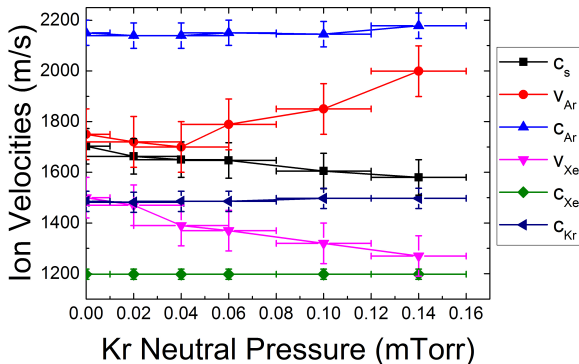
$$\Delta V_c^{kin} \approx -\frac{3}{2}|v_{T2} - v_{T1}| + \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{n_2 T_1}{n_1 T_2} \right) \left( v_{T1}^2 + \frac{n_1 T_2}{n_2 T_1} v_{T2}^2 \right)}$$

S. D. Baalrud and C. C. Hegna, Physics of Plasmas 18, 023505 2011, Hershkowitz, et al. Physics of Plasmas 18  
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# New results with 3 ion species plasma—last part

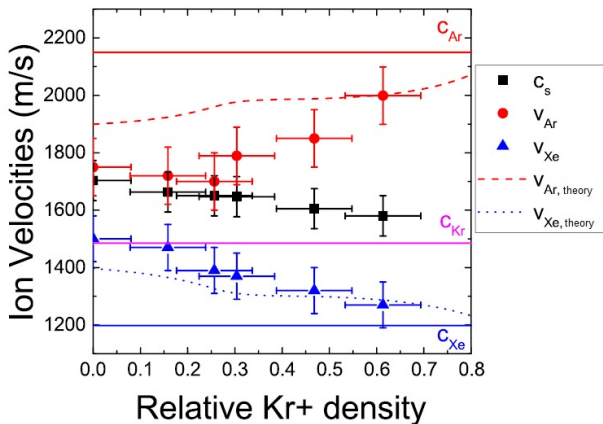


Now adding a third ion species, intermediate mass (Ar, Kr, Xe): does IEF bring ions to a common speed at the sheath edge? NO!??



$P_{Xe} = 0.04 \text{ mTorr}$ ,  $P_{Ar} = 0.1 \text{ mTorr}$ , fixed,  $P_{Kr}$  was varied, with  $I_d = 2 \text{ A}$ , and  $kT_e = 2 \text{ eV}$ .

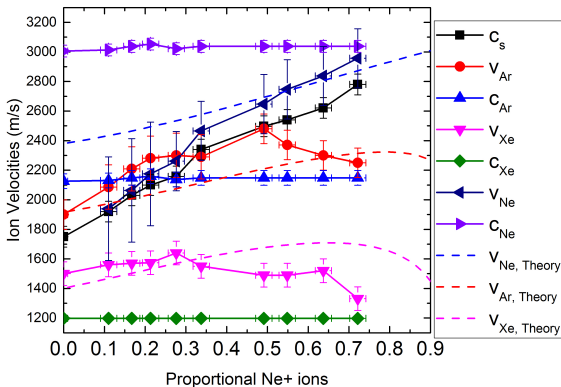
Varying  $Kr^+$  density, we find that  $C_s < \langle V_o \rangle_{Ar} < C_{Ar}$ , as if adding  $Kr^+$  gradually turns off IEF



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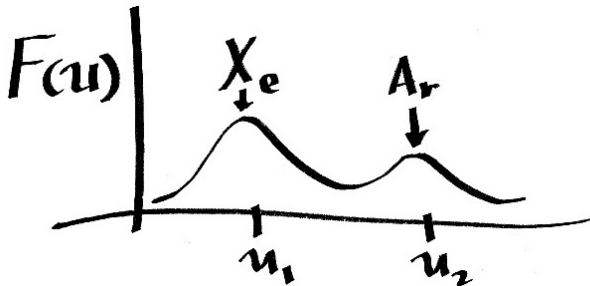
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We tried a less massive 3rd ion (Ne) to see if the IEF would always remain active, which it does, but then ultimately shuts off gradually too



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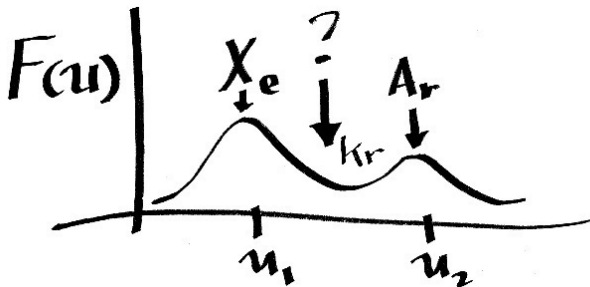
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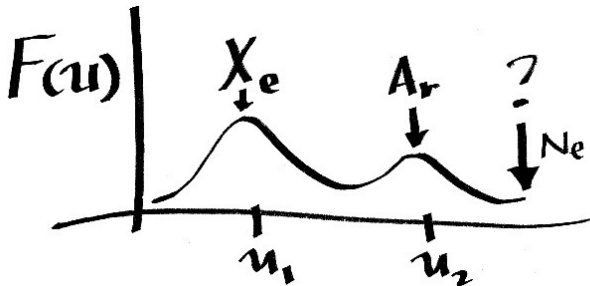


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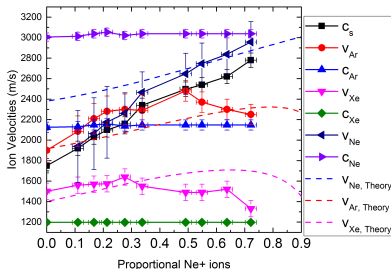
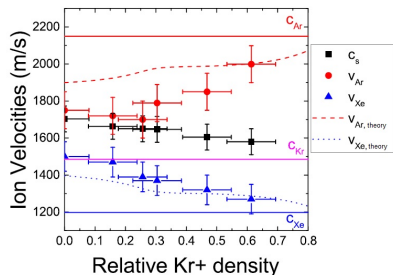
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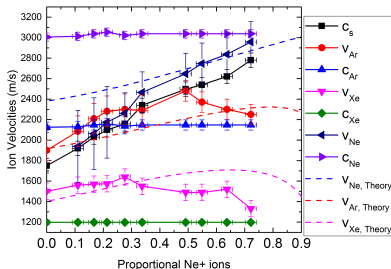
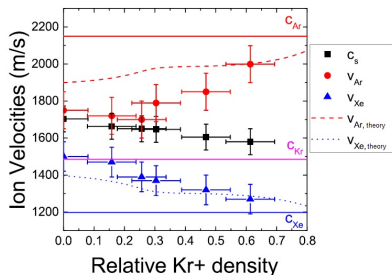
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