

Creating Astrophysical Conditions in the Laboratory

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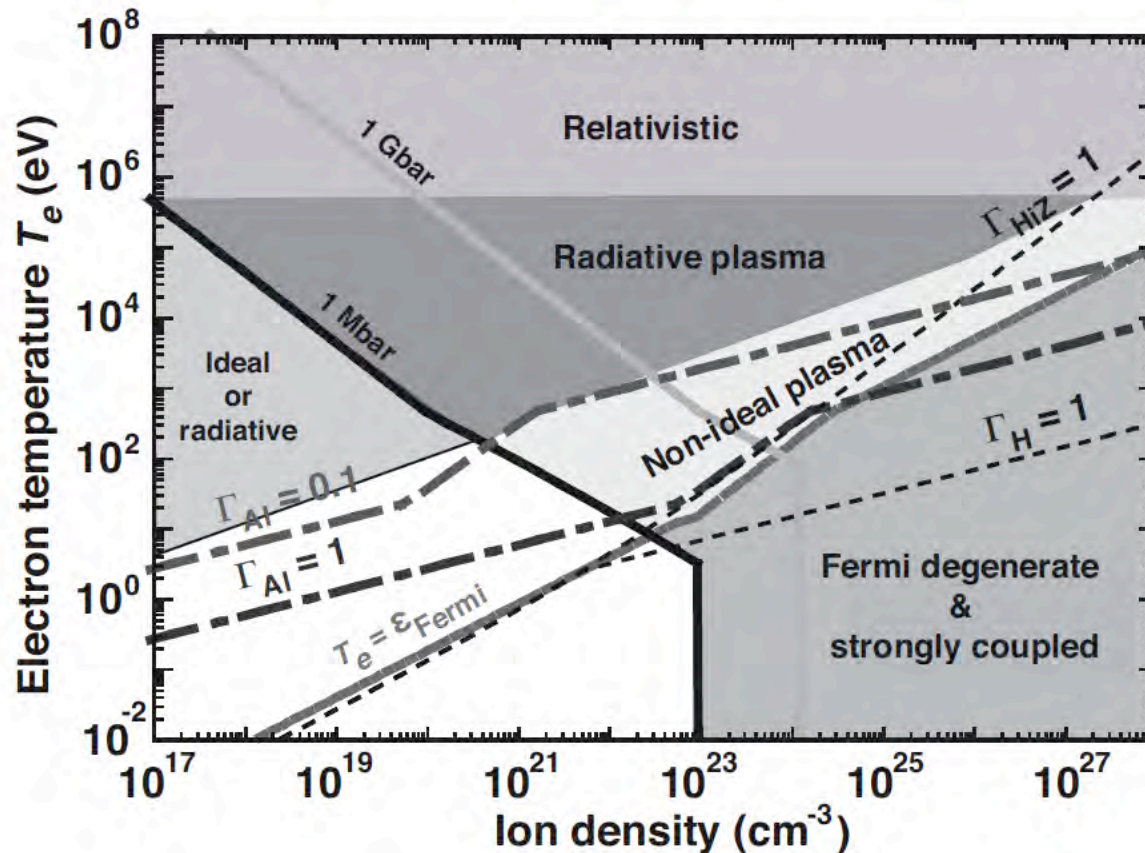
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Talk Outline

- **Definition of high-energy-density physics and high-energy-density laboratory astrophysics**
- **Mini tutorial on scaling an experiment to an astrophysical systems**
- **Examples of laboratory astrophysics experiments**

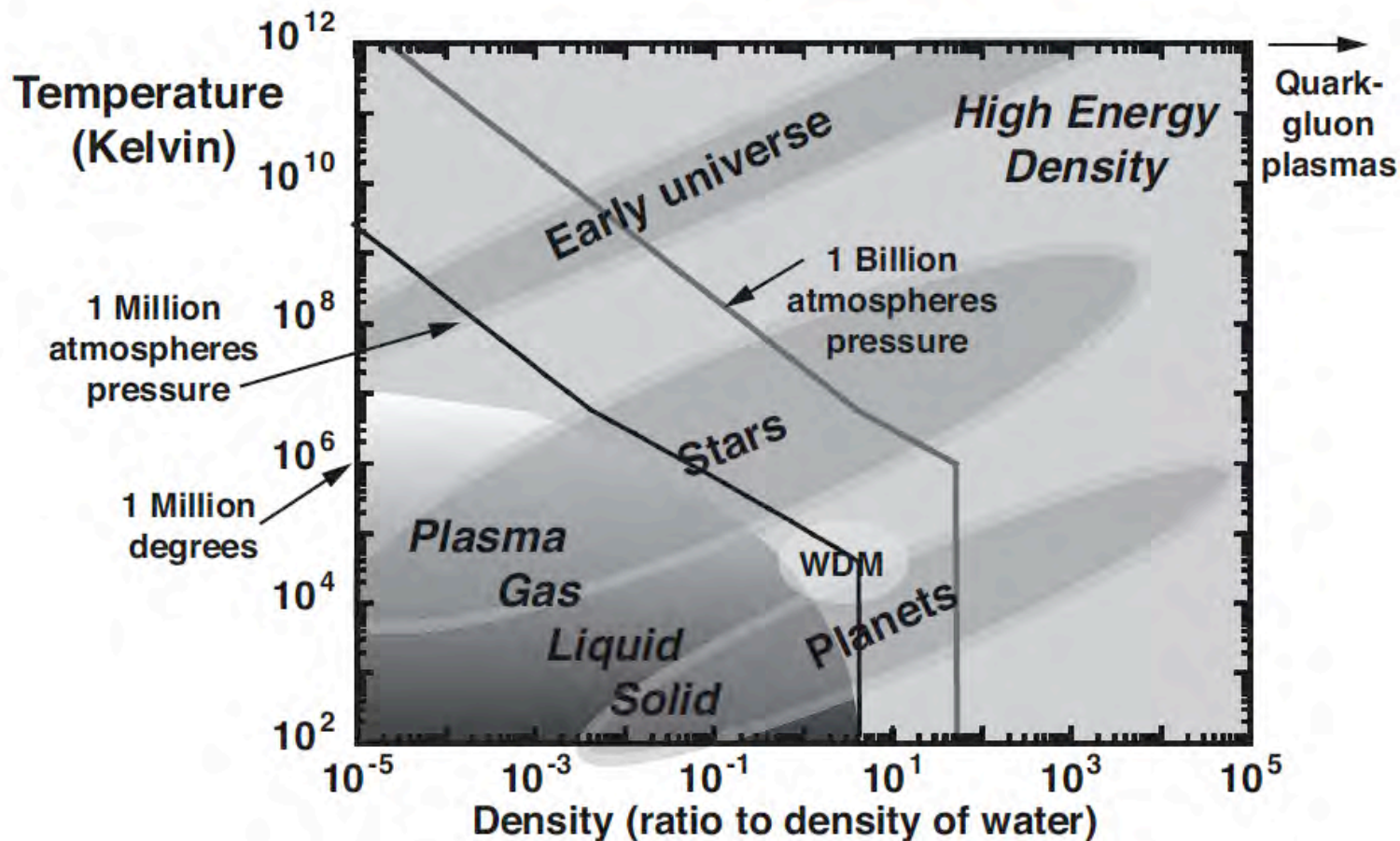
High-energy-density (HED) physics is the study of systems with pressures > 1 Mbar

1 Mbar = 0.1 Tpascal = 10^{12} dynes/cm² = 10^6 atm



RP Drake, High-Energy-Density Physics:
Foundations of Inertial Fusion and Experimental astrophysics

There is significant overlap with HED and astrophysics



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HED Laboratory Astrophysics is a young, but growing field



- HEDLA started in 1996 focused on hydrodynamics
- Now includes planetary interiors, equation of state, atomic processes, radiation transport, photoionization, stellar opacity, magnetic reconnection, particle acceleration, collisionless plasmas, turbulent dynamos, nuclear astrophysics, pair plasmas...

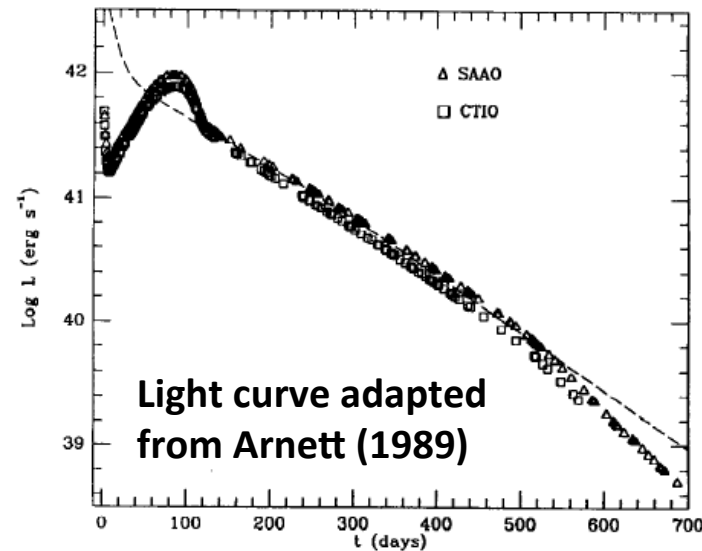
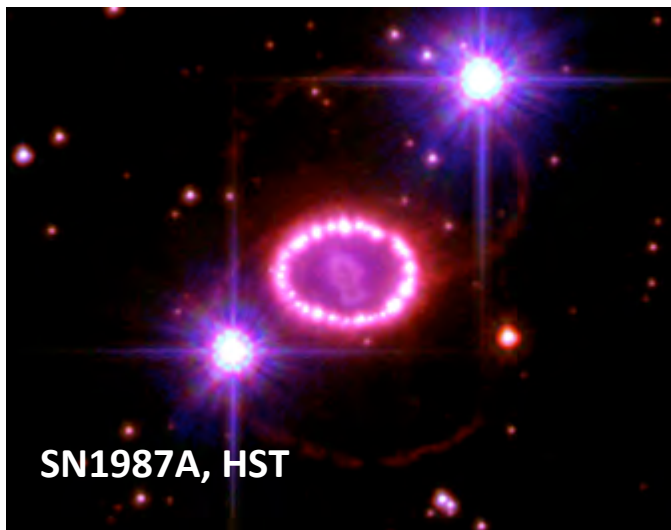
How do I scale an astrophysical system to a laboratory experiment?*

1. Can both systems validly be described by the same equations?
2. Can the two systems have good Ryutov scaling?
3. Can the two systems have good scaling with regard to the dynamics of the process of interest?

*Adapted from High-Energy-Density Physics:
Foundations of Inertial Fusion and Experimental astrophysics
See also Ryutov et al. ApJ., 518, 821 (1999)

Scaled laboratory experiments must be motivated by a specific astrophysical process

Can hydrodynamic instabilities explain the light curve of SN1987A?



Observations of ^{56}Co and ^{56}Ni were sooner than predicted and hydrodynamic mixing may explain the discrepancy

1. Can both systems validly be described by the same equations?

Hydrodynamic fluids described by single-fluid Euler Equations

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{v}) = 0$$

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v} \right) = -\nabla P$$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} - \gamma \frac{p}{\rho} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla P - \gamma \frac{P}{\rho} \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \rho = 0$$

Additional terms for radiative or magnetized systems can also be included

**If the equations remain invariant
under the following transformation,**

$$r_{\text{astro}} = ar_{\text{expt}} \quad P_{\text{astro}} = cP_{\text{expt}}$$

$$\rho_{\text{astro}} = b\rho_{\text{expt}} \quad t_{\text{astro}} = a\sqrt{\frac{b}{c}}t_{\text{expt}}$$

**then there is direct correspondence
between the two systems**

For the specific example, this implies characteristic time and length scales

	SN1987A	Laboratory experiment
r	10^{11} cm	10^2 μm
ρ	10^{-2} g/cc	1 g/cc
p	10 Mbar	1 Mbar
t	1000 s	10 ns

2. Can the two systems have good Ryutov scaling?

Spatial relations for velocity, pressure, and density must be the scaled

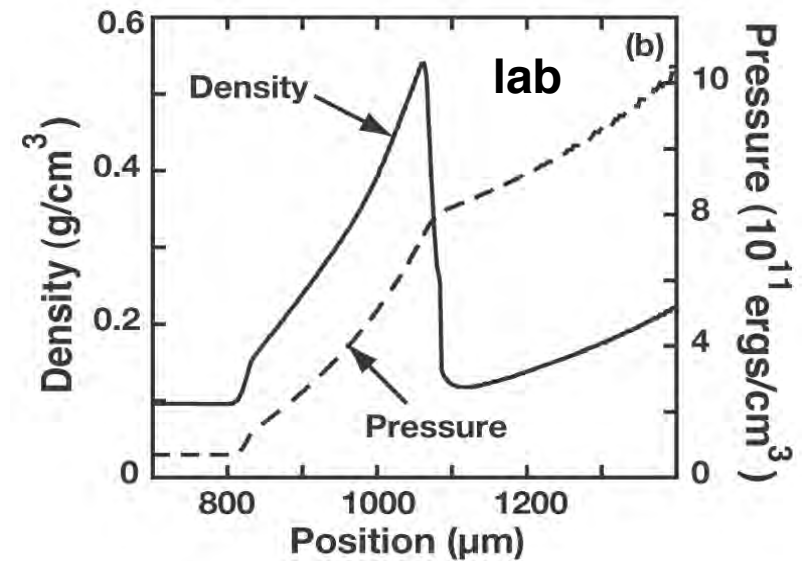
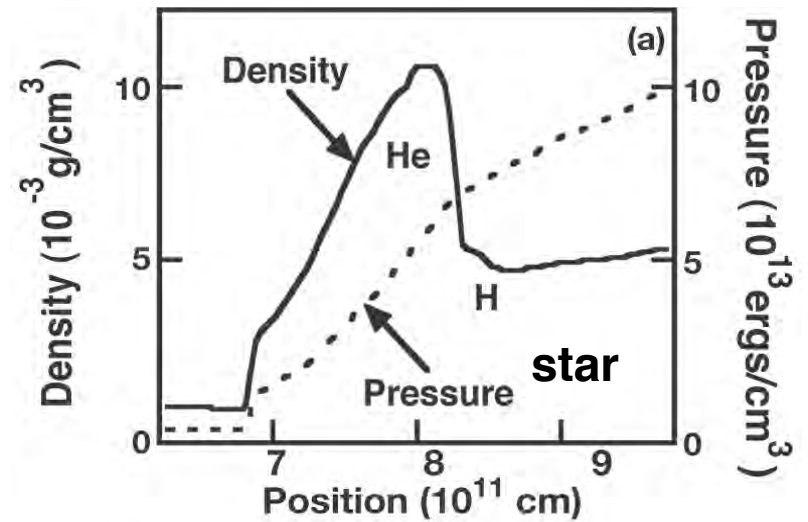
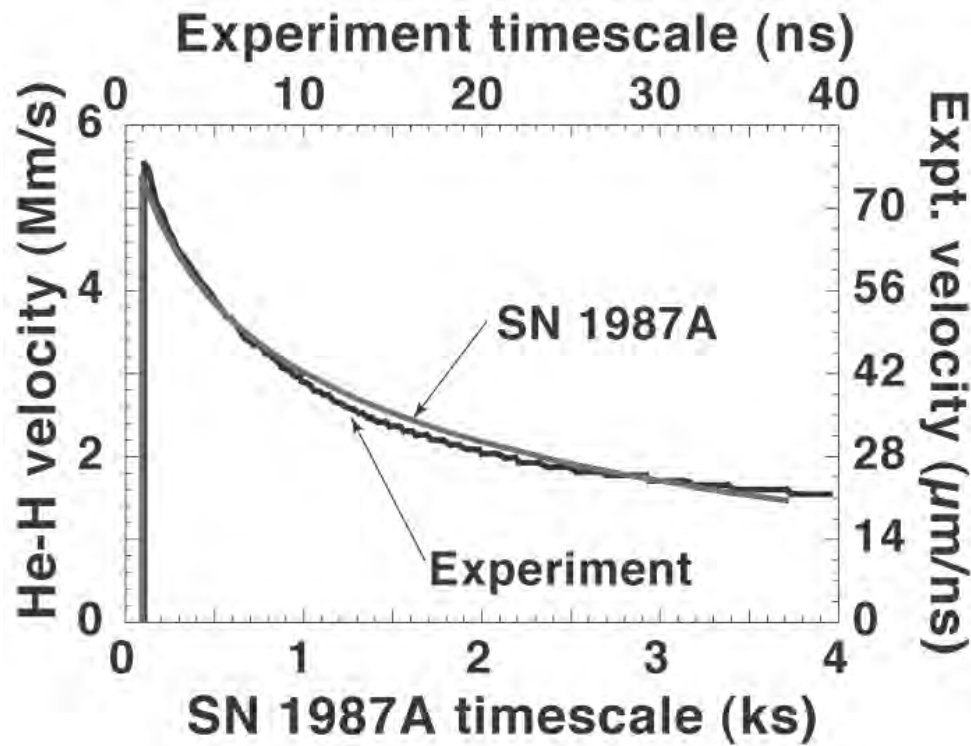
$$\mathbf{v}_{t=t_o} = v' \mathbf{F}(r / h) \quad \text{Where } \mathbf{F}(r/h), H(r/h), \text{ and } G(r/h) \\ \text{are dimensionless functions}$$

$$\rho_{t=t_o} = \rho' H(r / h)$$

$$P_{t=t_o} = P' G(r / h)$$

This implies $Ry = v' \sqrt{\frac{\rho'}{P'}}$

1D Spatial profiles for SN1987A and laboratory experiment



3. Can the two systems have good scaling with regard to the dynamics of the process of interest?

This is determined by the dimensionless numbers key to the specific astrophysical system

For SN1987A this includes:

- System must be highly collisional, $\lambda_c \ll r$
- Viscosity negligible, $Re \gg 1$
- Heat conduction negligible, $Pe \gg 1$
- Radiation flux negligible, $Pe_\gamma \gg 1$

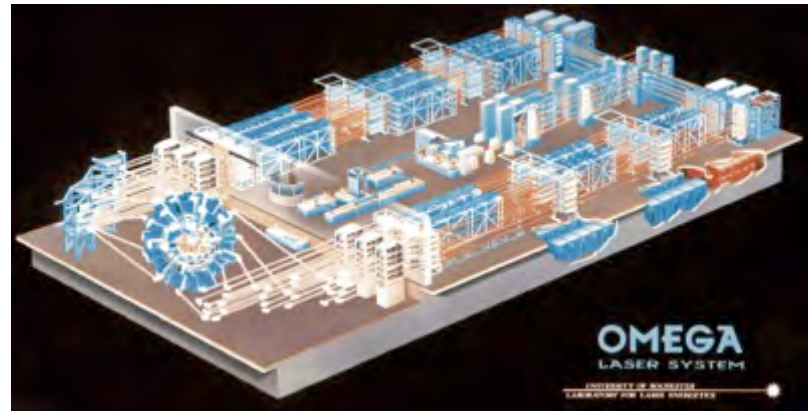
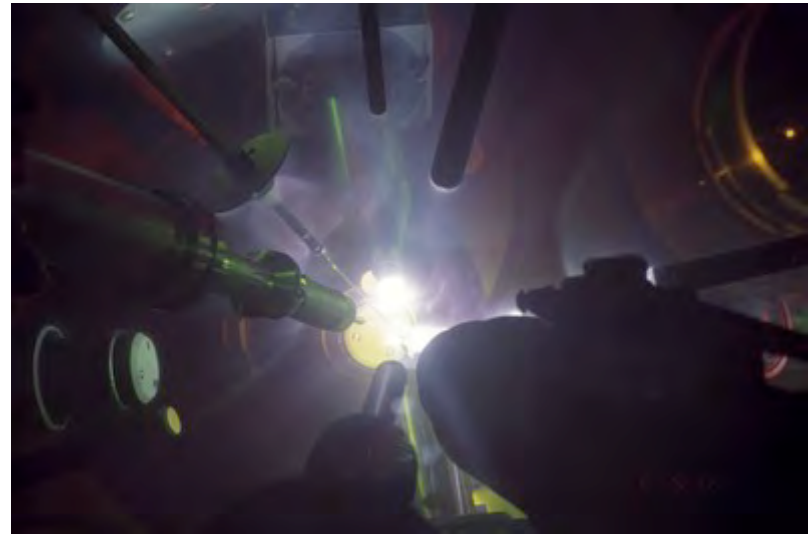
How *on Earth* do we create scaled astrophysical laboratory experiments?

- High-energy **LASERS**
 - Omega Laser Facility, *U. of Rochester*
 - National Ignition Facility, *Lawrence Livermore Nat Lab*
 - ORION Laser Facility, *UK*
 - LMJ and LULI, *France*
 - SGII, *China*
- Pulsed Power machines
 - Z machine, *Sandia National Lab*
 - COBRA, *Cornell University*
 - MAIZE, *University of Michigan*
 - Magpie, *Imperial College*

Experiments are performed at Omega laser facility

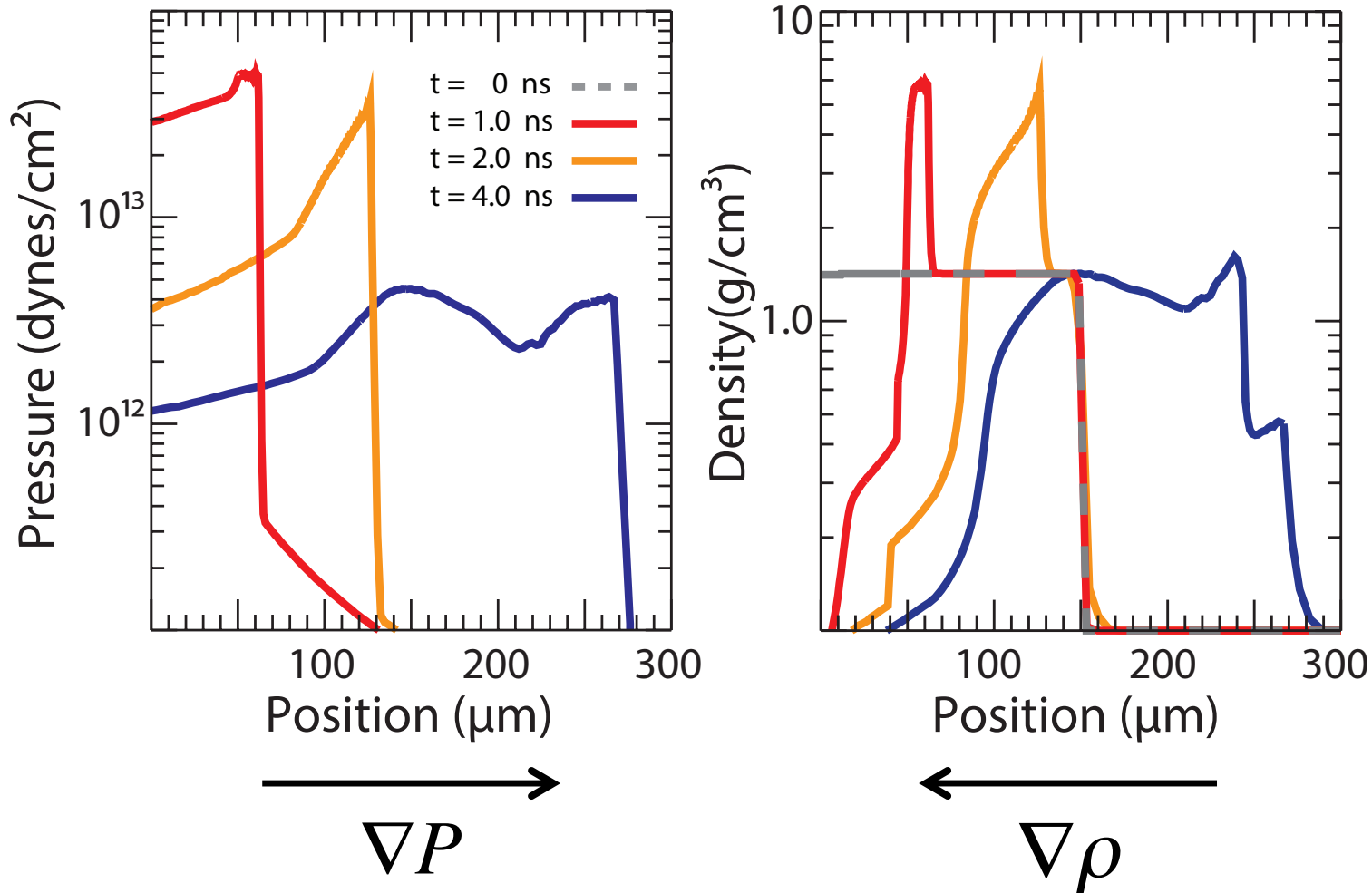
- Ten Omega Laser beams to drive shock
 - ~400 J each, ~4 kJ total energy
 - $\lambda = .35 \mu\text{m}$, UV light
 - 1 ns square pulse
- Produce intensity of about 10^{15} W/cm^2
- Pressure of ~40 Mbars or 40 million atmospheres

Inside the Omega target chamber



The Omega Laser System

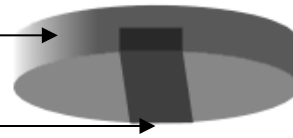
We create a RT unstable interface under HED conditions



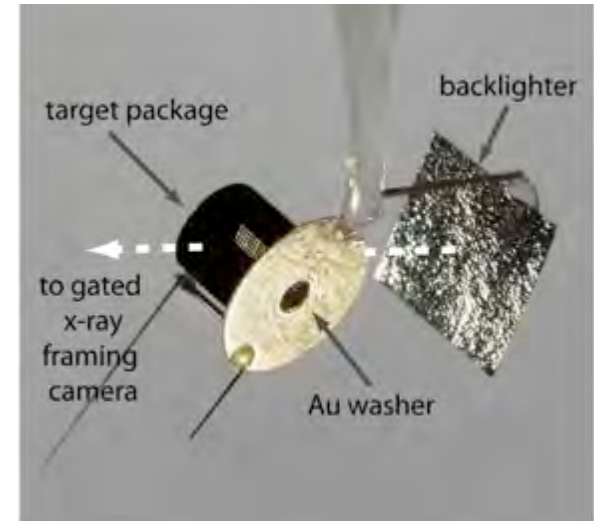
Key components of target for Rayleigh-Taylor experiment

150 μm plastic (1.41 g/cc)

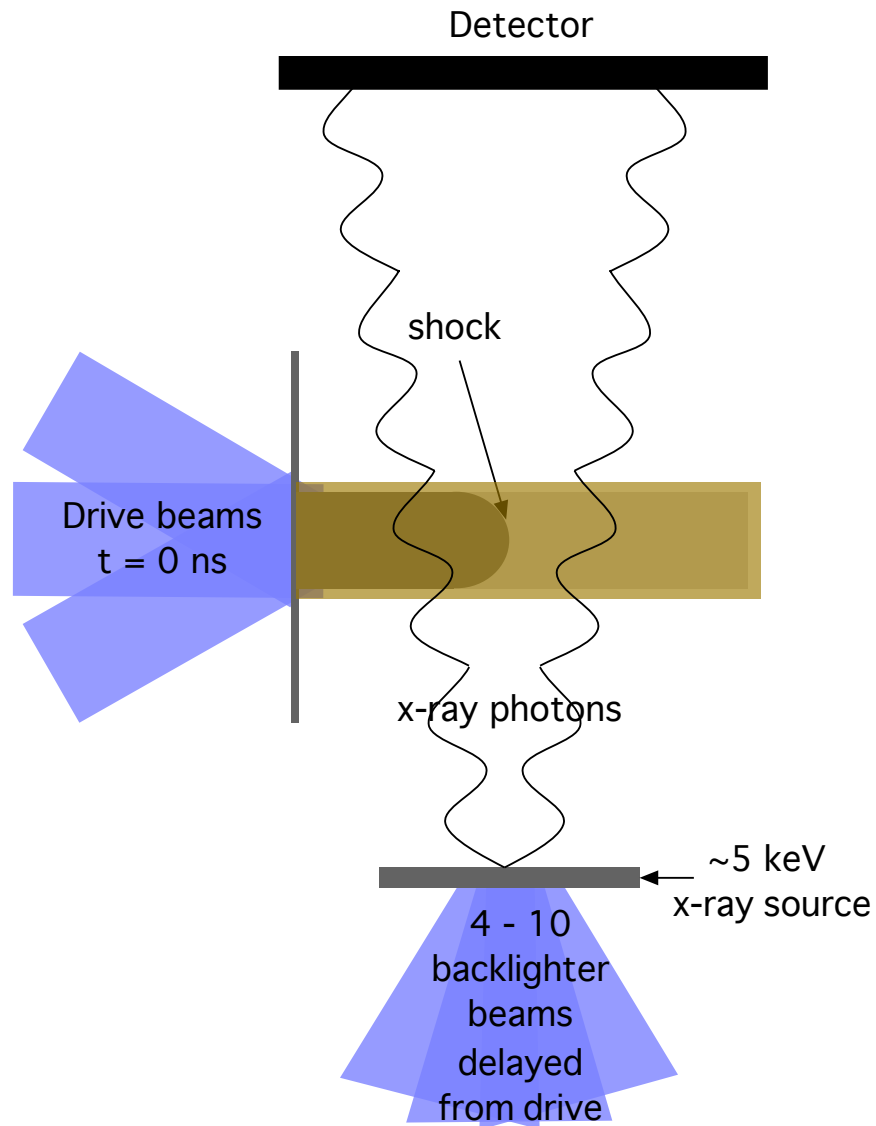
- Tracer strip material:
 $\text{C}_{500}\text{H}_{457}\text{Br}_{43}$ (1.42 g/cc)
- Entire surface machined with seed perturbation



2-3 mm carbon foam (50 - 400 mg/cc)

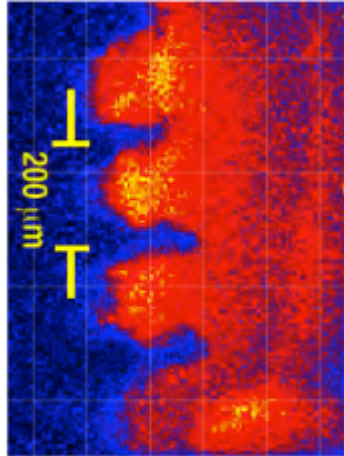


We use x-ray radiography to image the instability of the evolution

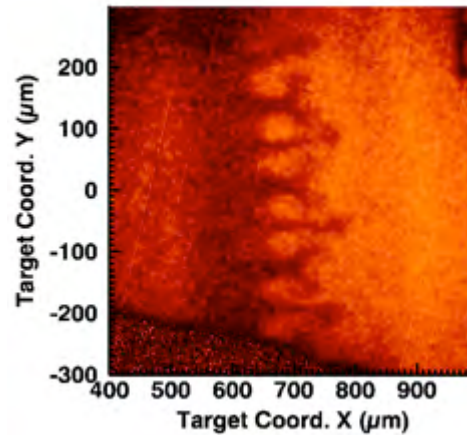


HED RT experiments have been performed on many laser facilities over the past 2 decades

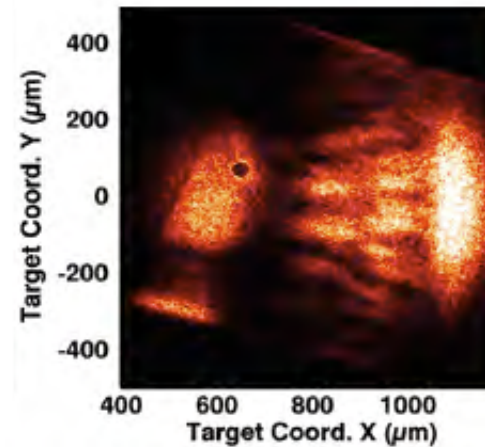
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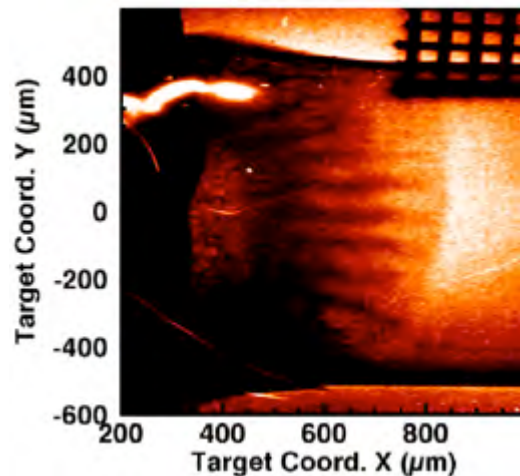
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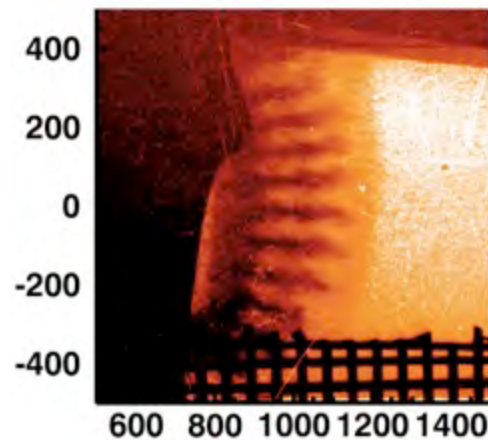
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2004

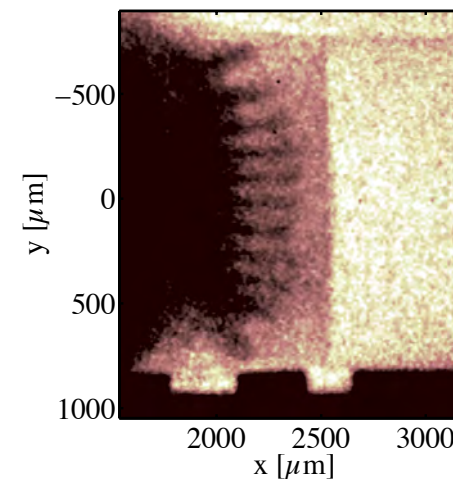


2009

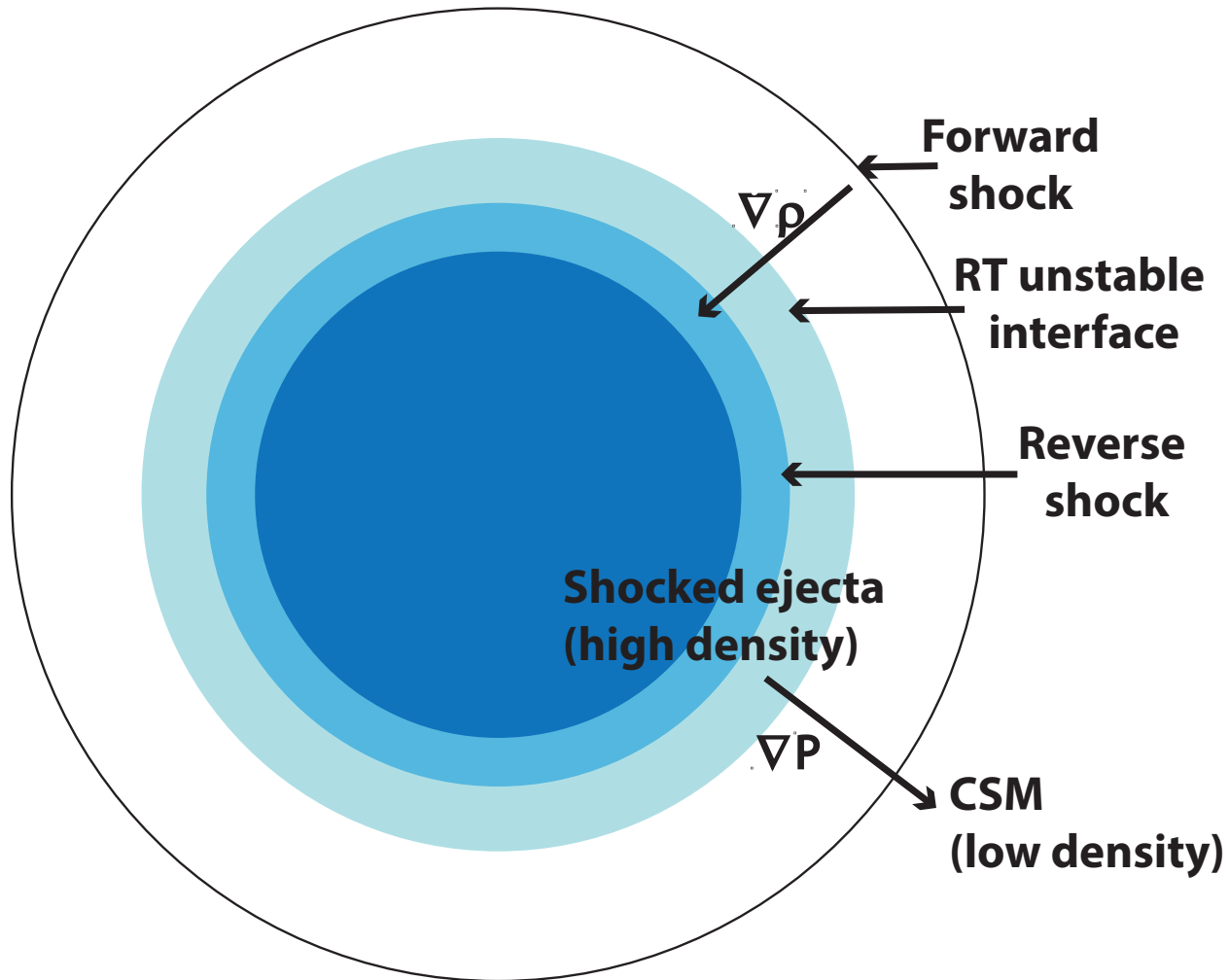


2015

$t = 34 \text{ ns}$



The study of energy transport effects on the Rayleigh-Taylor instability is relevant to SN1993J a core-collapse, red supergiant



The density profiles of the shocked ejecta and CSM are self-similar

$$\rho_{ej} = \rho_o (r_o / r)^n (t / t_o)^{(n-3)}$$

$$\rho_{CSM} = \rho_o (r_o / r)^s$$

r_o, t_o, ρ_o are the reference radius, time and density

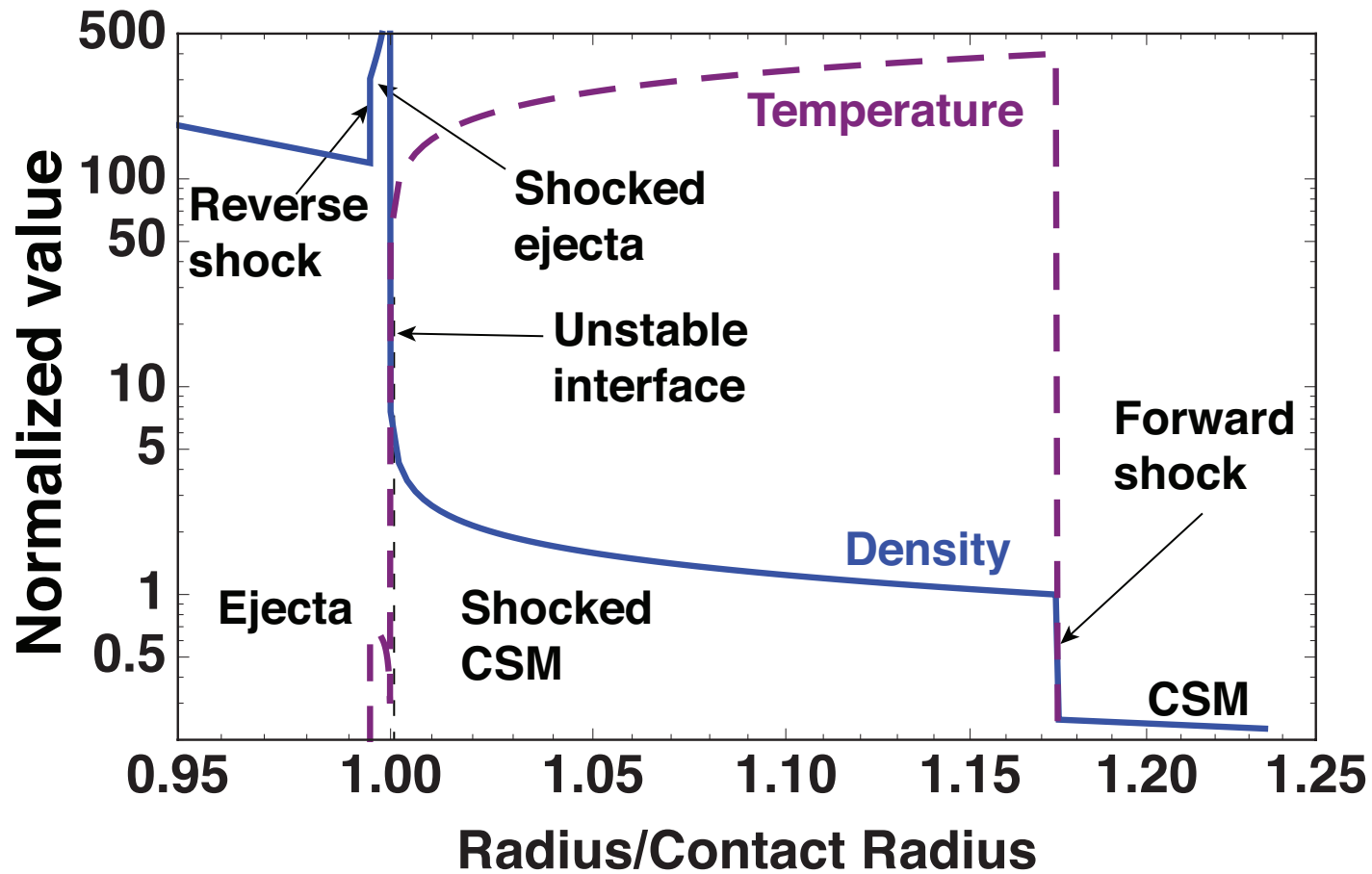
$n \sim 30$ and $s = 1.7$ fit the observationally-determined characteristics of SN 1993J

Chevalier et al, *Astrophysical Journal*, 1992

Suzuki et al., *Astrophysical Journal*, 1995

Fransson et al., *Astrophysical Journal*, 1996

Relative density and temperature profiles of SN1993J



Hydrodynamic profiles

Astrophysical and experimental parameters

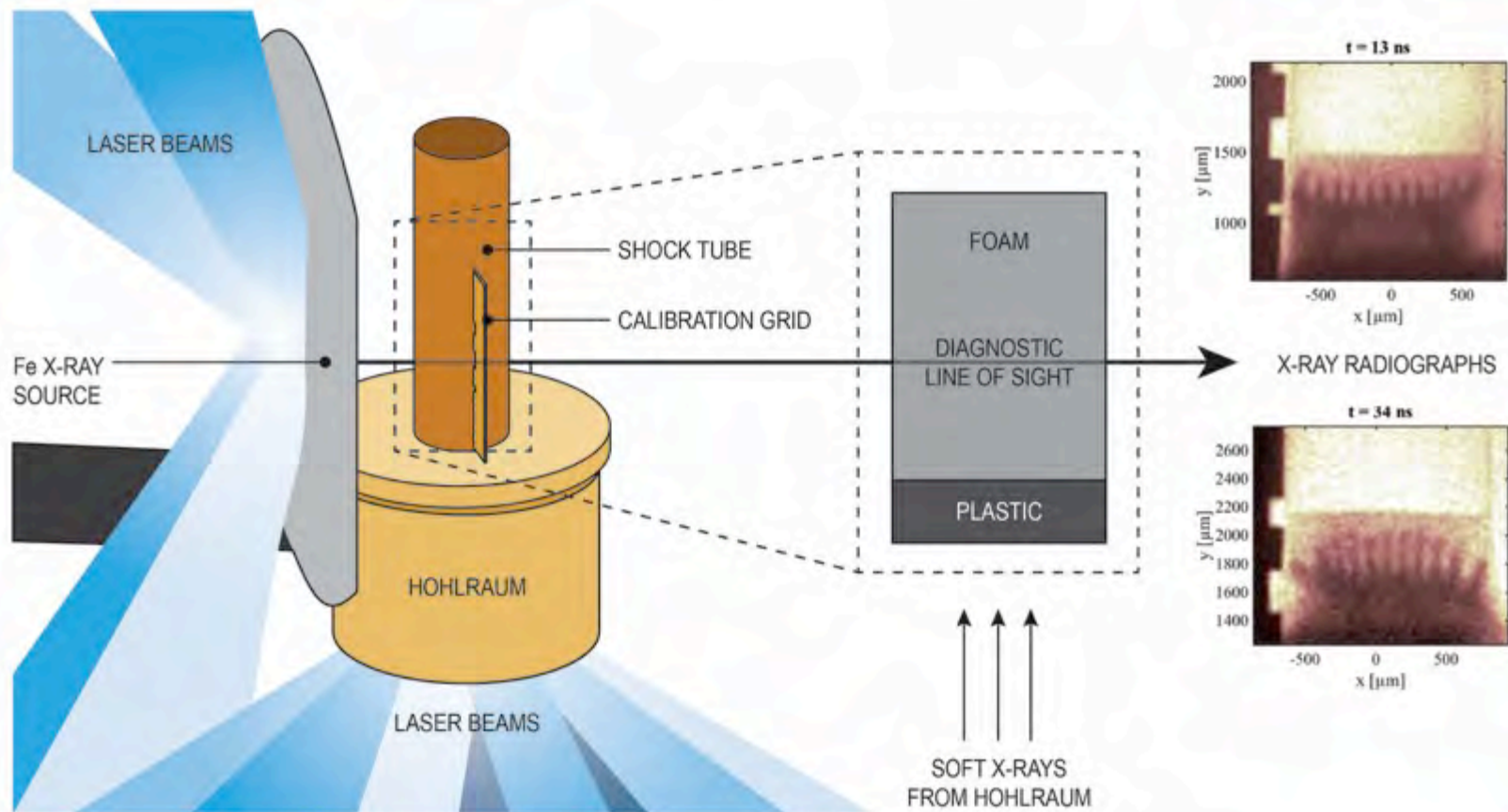
Scale Parameter	SN1993J	NIF experiment
Intershock distance L (cm)	$2.8 \times 10^{14} t_{\text{yr}}^{0.95}$	0.02
Shock separation speed U (cm $^{-1}$)	$3.0 \times 10^8 t_{\text{yr}}^{-0.046}$	6.8×10^6
Ejecta density at RS (g cm $^{-3}$)	$3.4 \times 10^{-19} t_{\text{yr}}^{-1.6}$	0.026
SEL Density (g cm $^{-3}$)	$1.4 \times 10^{-16} t_{\text{yr}}^{-1.6}$	0.5
SCSM Density (g cm $^{-3}$)	$9 \times 10^{-19} t_{\text{yr}}^{-1.6}$	0.18
SEL Temperature (eV)	$3800 t_{\text{yr}}^{-0.092}$	20
SCSM Temperature (eV)	$7.8 \times 10^5 t_{\text{yr}}^{-0.092}$	80
RS Velocity (km s $^{-1}$)	$1.7 \times 10^4 t_{\text{yr}}^{-0.046}$	35
FS Velocity (km s $^{-1}$)	$2 \times 10^4 t_{\text{yr}}^{-0.046}$	170
Z	1	2
A	1	20

Key dimensionless parameters

Dimensionless Parameter	SN1993J at 0.1 yrs	NIF experiment
λ_c/L	10^{-4}	10^{-8}
Reynolds number Re	$4 \times 10^5 t_{\text{yr}}^{-0.48}$	10^7
Energy flux ratio R	10^3	2
Peclet number Pe	1	4
Ryutov number Ry	4	5

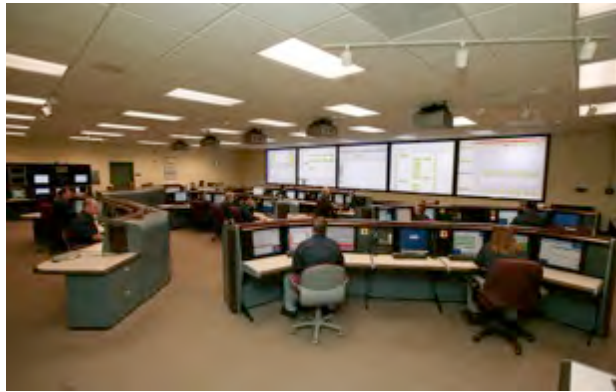
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We use to NIF drive a create a high- and low-energy flux in an RT unstable system



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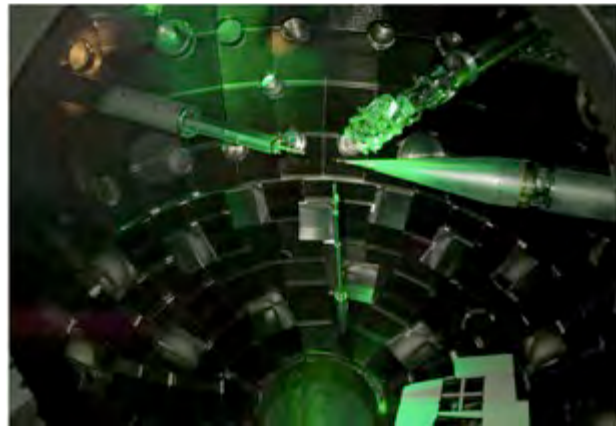
We performed these experiments at the National Ignition Facility



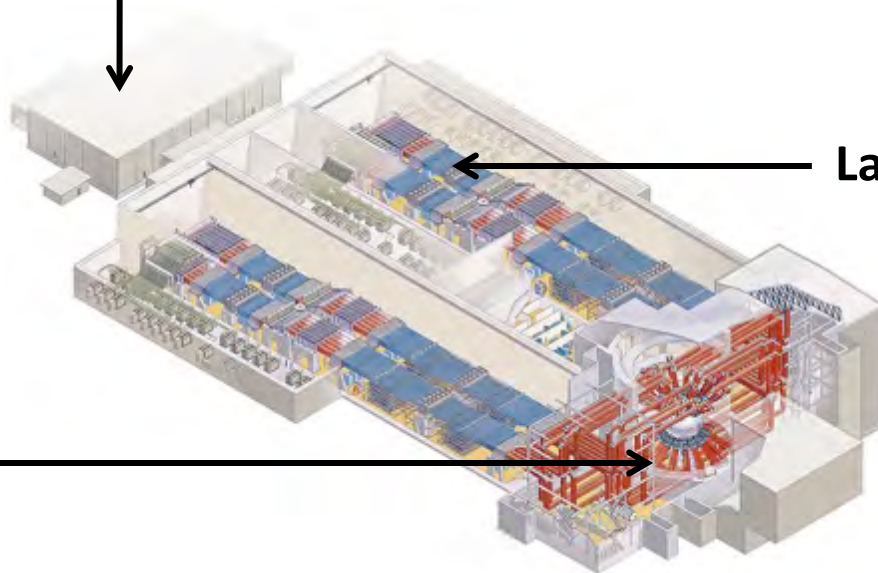
← Control Rooms



↓ Laser Bays



↑ Target Chamber



***The “set” for a 23rd Century
Movie!!***

Laser bay

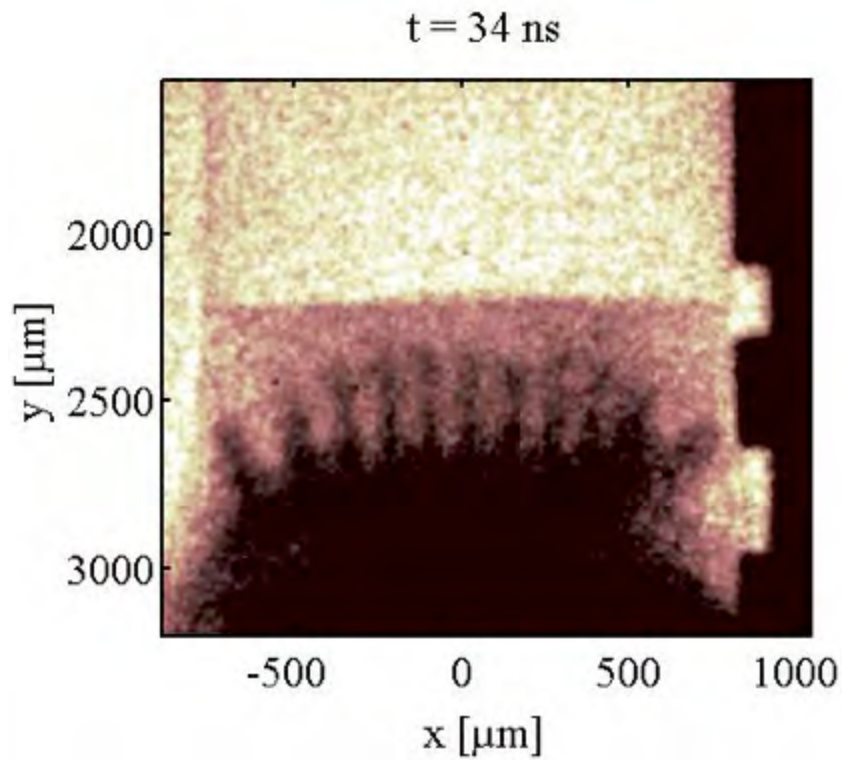


Target bay

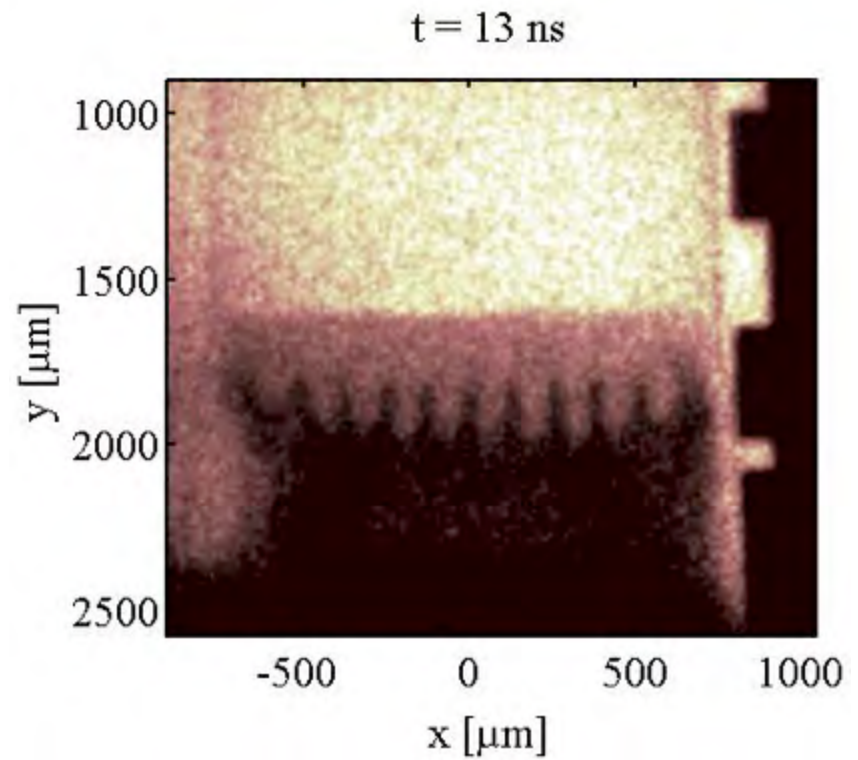


***But not powered by
Fusion!!!!***

Typical data show qualitative and quantitative differences between cases

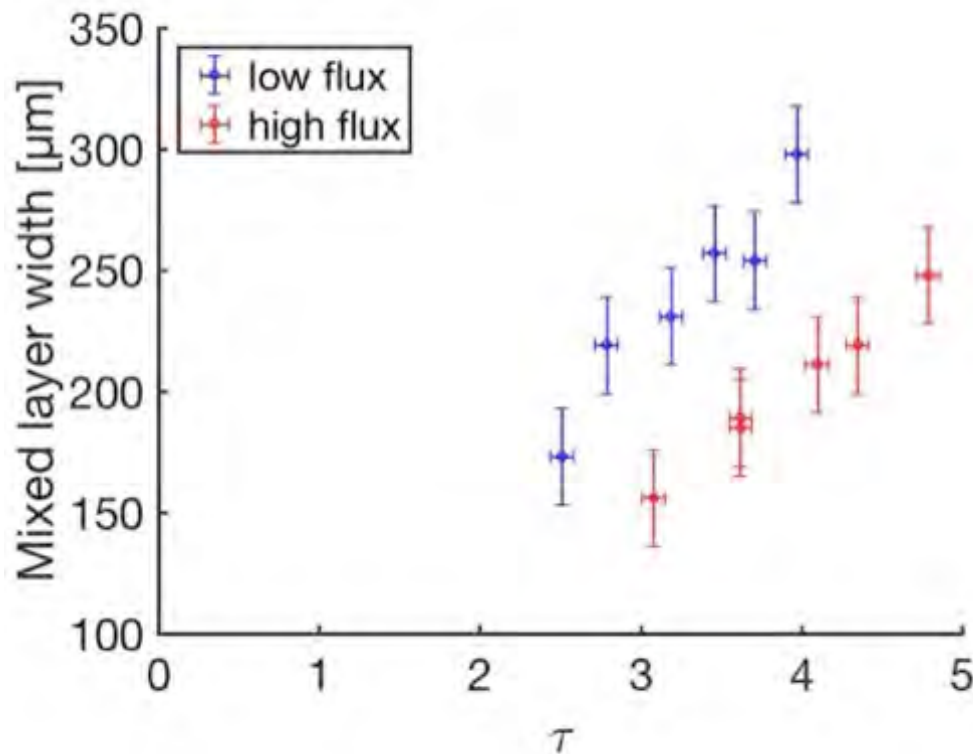


Low energy flux



High energy flux

We must compare the RT growth of each case

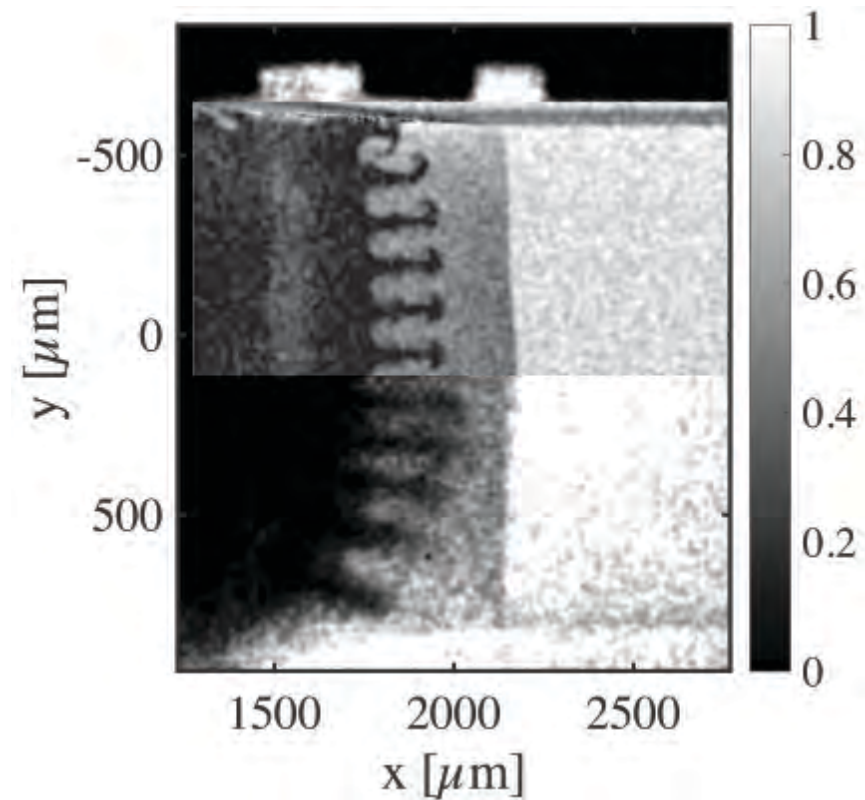
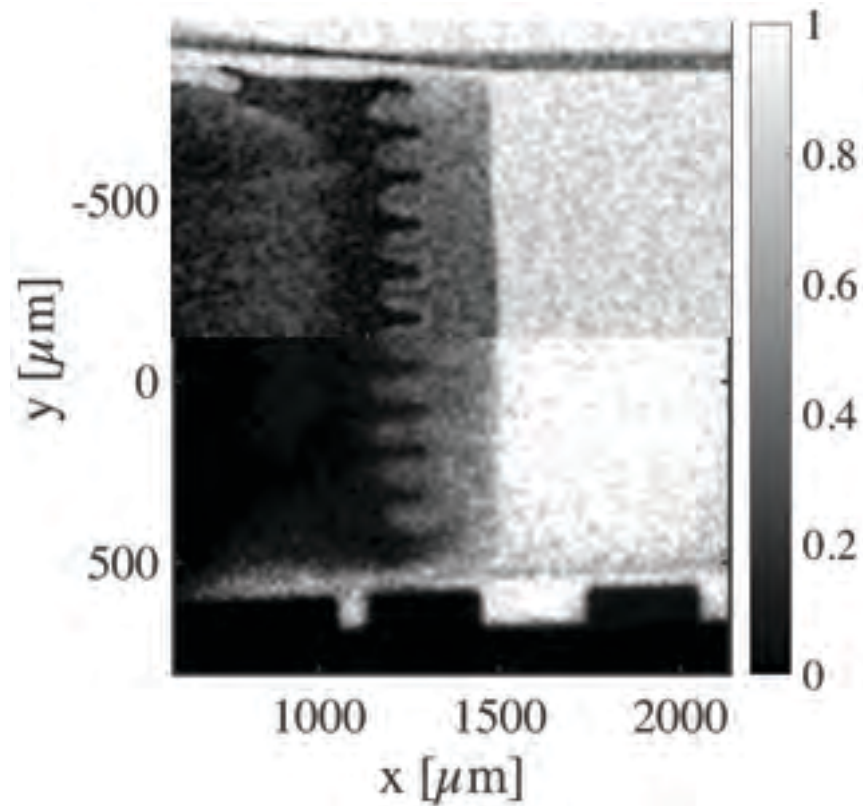


$$\tau = \int \gamma_{RT} dt$$

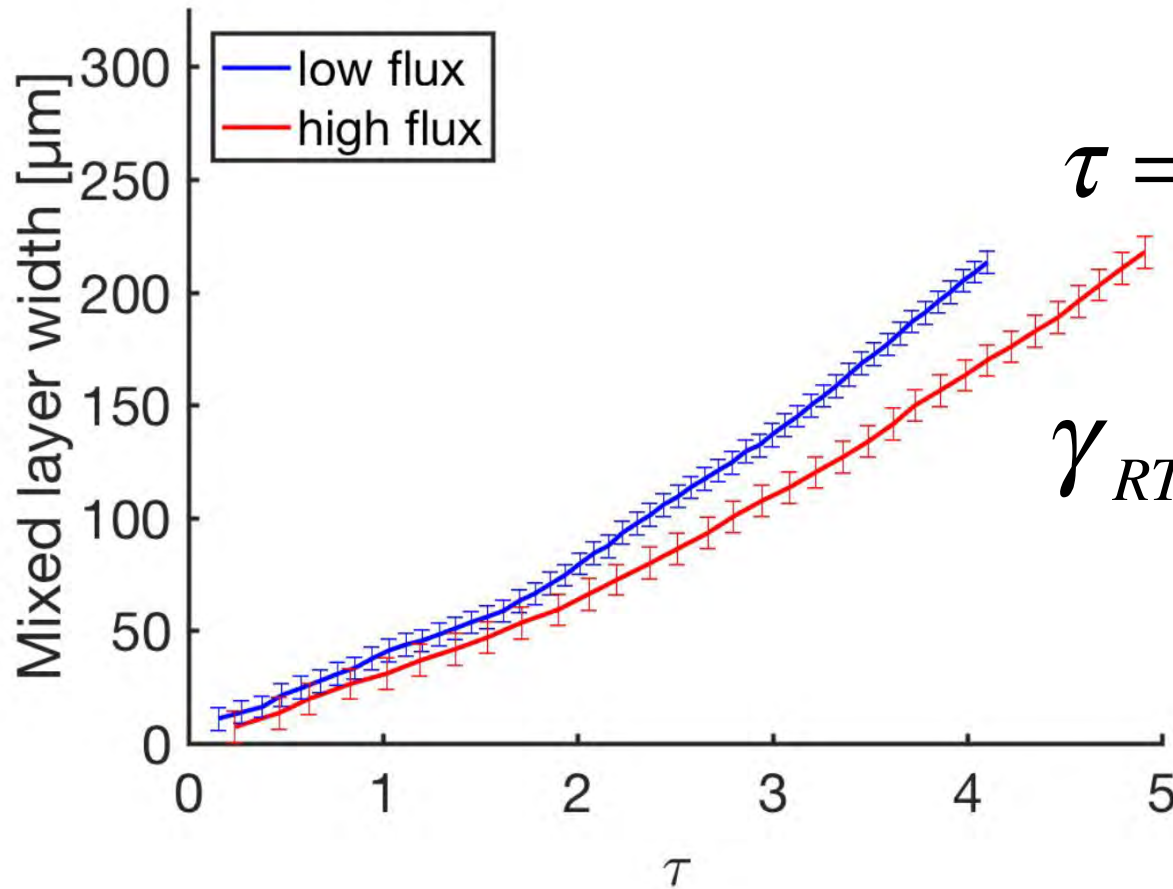
$$\gamma_{RT} = \sqrt{A(t)g(t)k}$$

$A(t)$ is the Atwood number, $g(t)$ is the acceleration and k is the wave number of the initial perturbation

Experimental data and CRASH simulations are in good agreement



CRASH simulations also show a reduction in RT growth



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Heating is possible by radiation and electron heat conduction

$$F_{rad} = n_e n_i \Lambda D$$

Energy flux due to cooling by radiative losses from the shocked layer

$$Q_e = 0.1 n_e m_e v_{e,cs}^3$$

Electron heat flux, 10% the free-streaming heat flux

$$F_{mech} = \rho_{ej} v_{rs}^3$$

Mechanical energy flux driving the shock-heating of the shocked matter

n_e electron density

n_i ion density

Λ cooling function

D shocked layer thickness

m_e electron mass

$v_{e,cs}$ electron thermal velocity

ρ_{ej} ejecta density

v_{rs} reverse shock velocity

Radiative and heat conduction fluxes are large in SN1993J

Scale Parameter	SN1993J	NIF experiment
F_{mech} (ergs/cm ² /s)	$1.8 \times 10^5 t_{tyr}^{-1.76}$	2.8×10^{19}
F_{rad} (ergs/cm ² /s)	$3.6 \times 10^7 t_{tyr}^{-2.26}$	4.2×10^{19}
Q_e (ergs/cm ² /s)	$2.0 \times 10^8 t_{tyr}^{-1.76}$	1.7×10^{19}

$$R = \frac{Q_{ecs} + F_{rad}}{F_{mech}}$$



Energy flux ratio R	10^3	2
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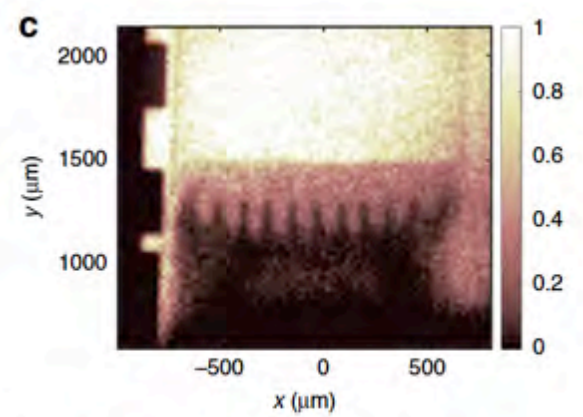
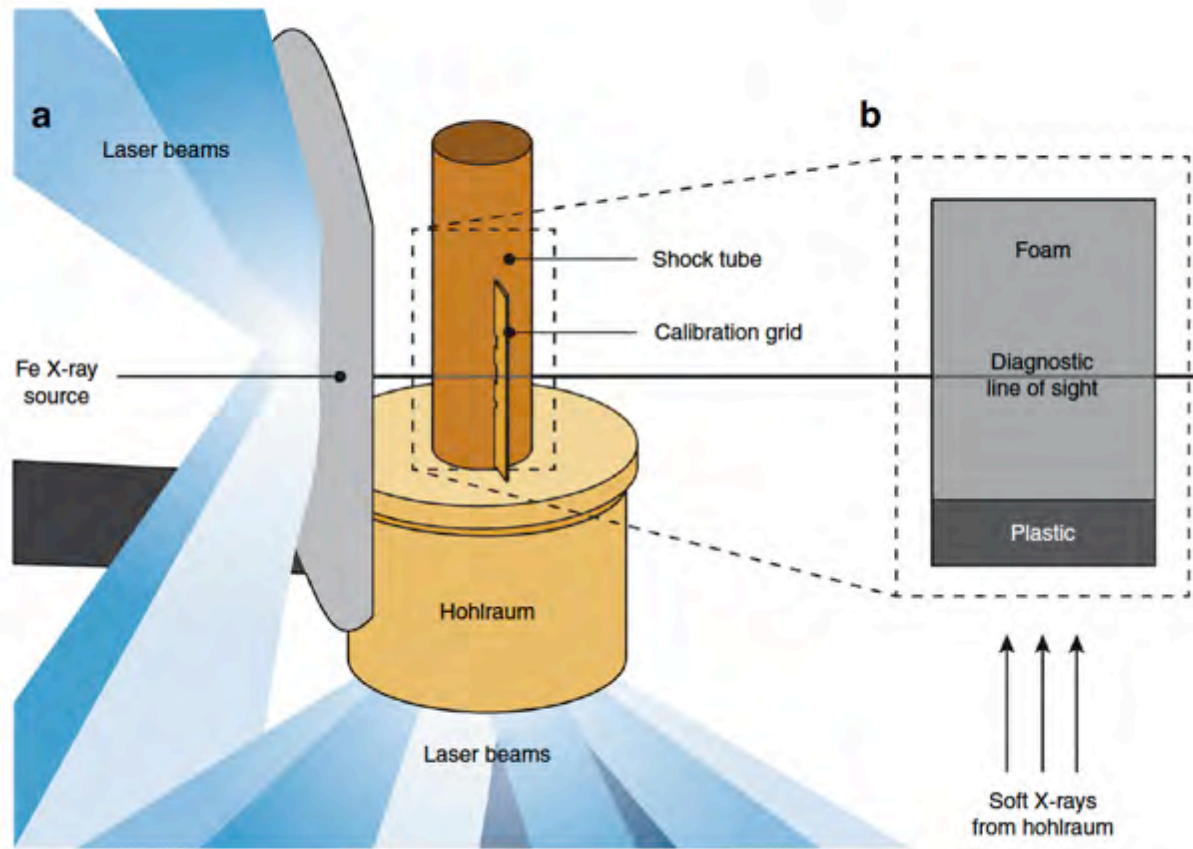
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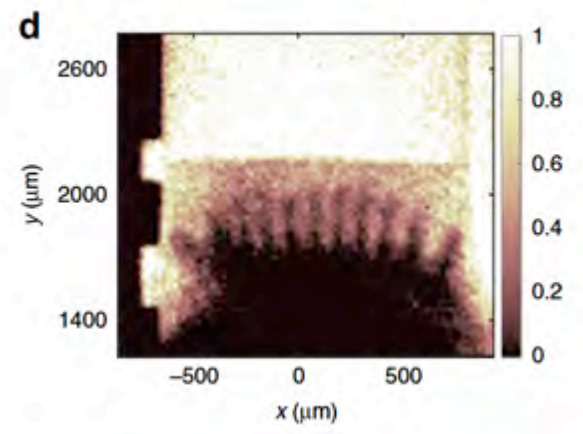
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Summary

- **We performed RT experiments in high- and low-flux regimes on NIF**
- **We found that high energy fluxes reduce the RT growth**
- **Energy fluxes due to radiative losses and electron heat conduction are large in SN1993J and the NIF experiment**
- **These fluxes should be considered in astrophysical modeling**
- **See CC Kuranz et al *Nature Communications* (2018) and CM Huntington et al *Physics of Plasmas* (2018)**



X-ray radiographs







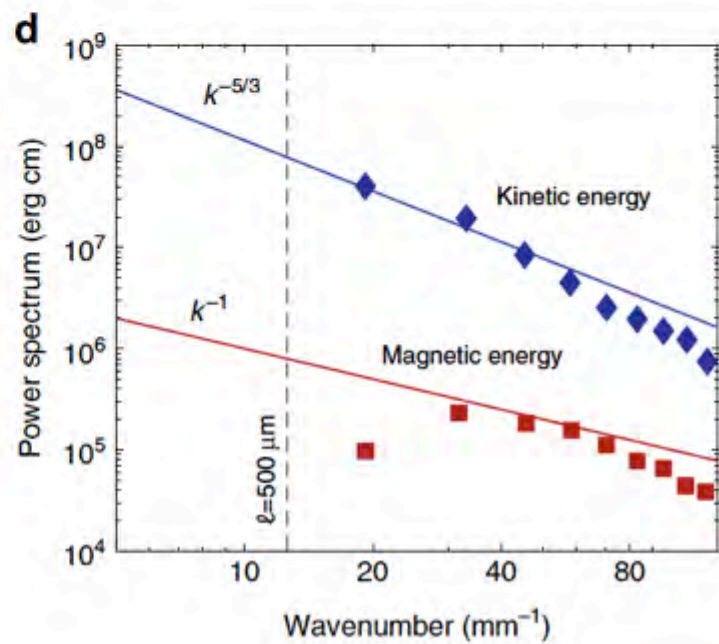
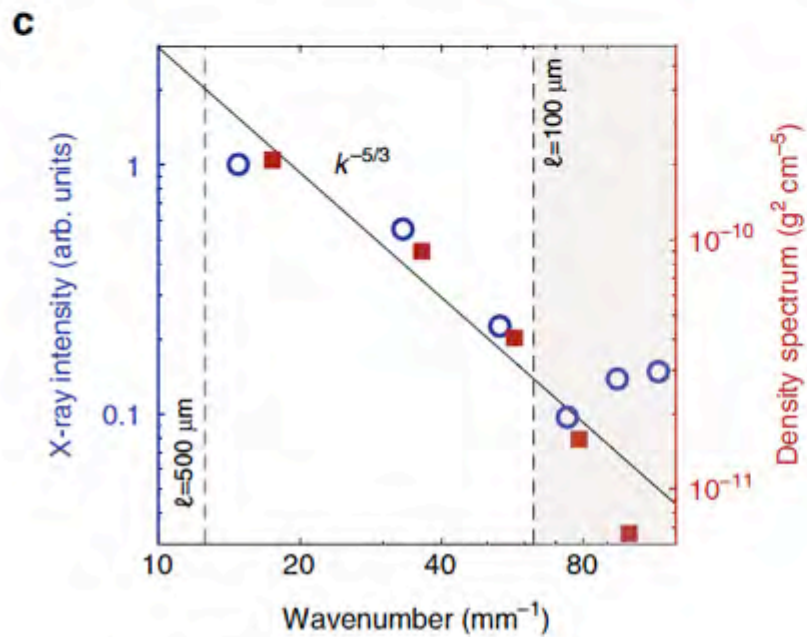
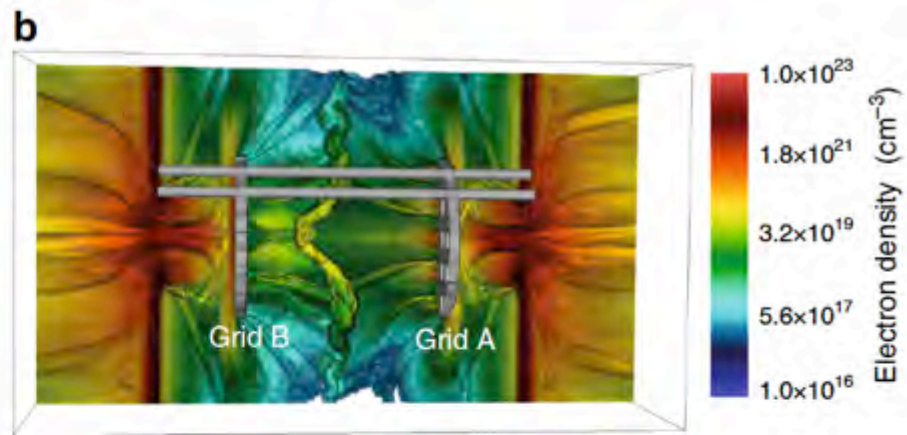
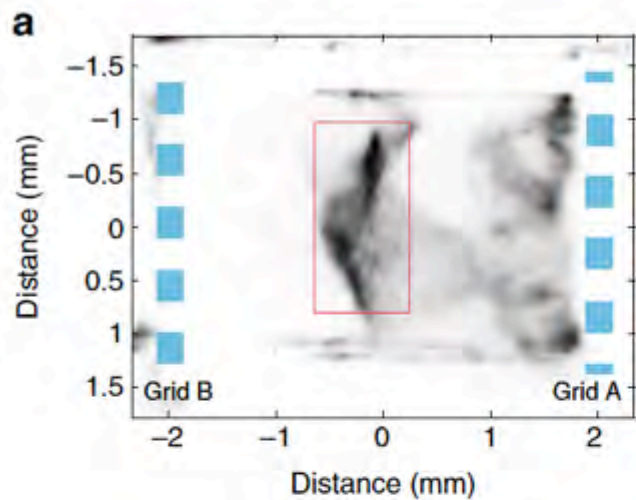
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Laboratory evidence of dynamo amplification of magnetic fields in a turbulent plasma

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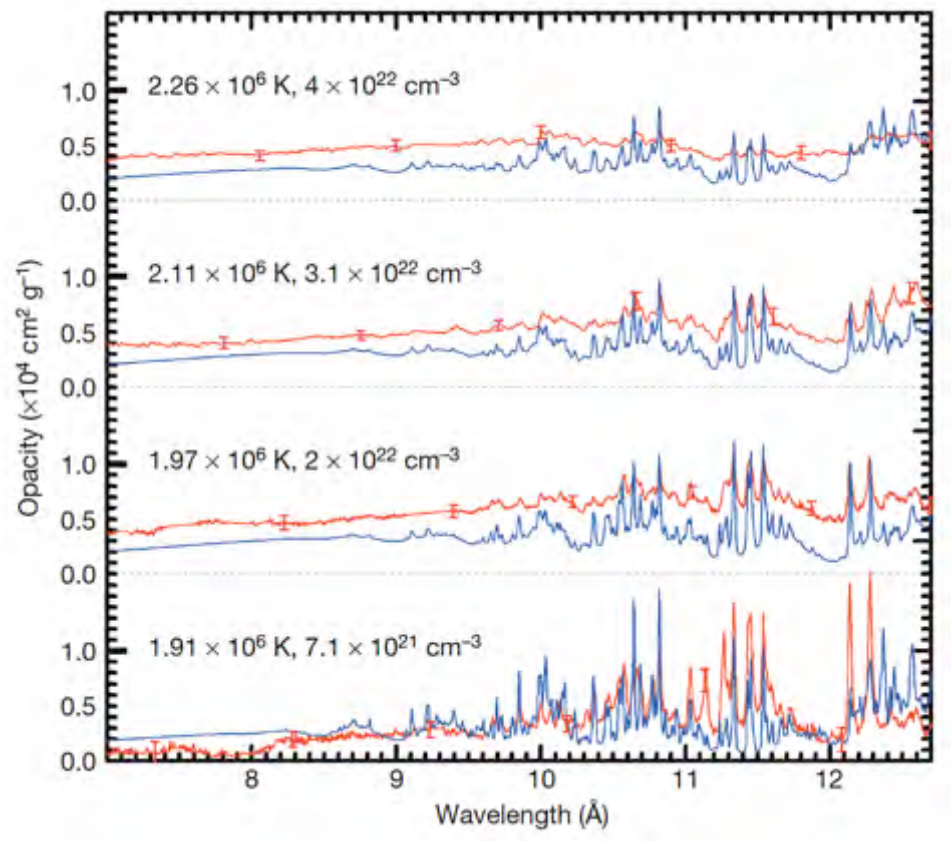
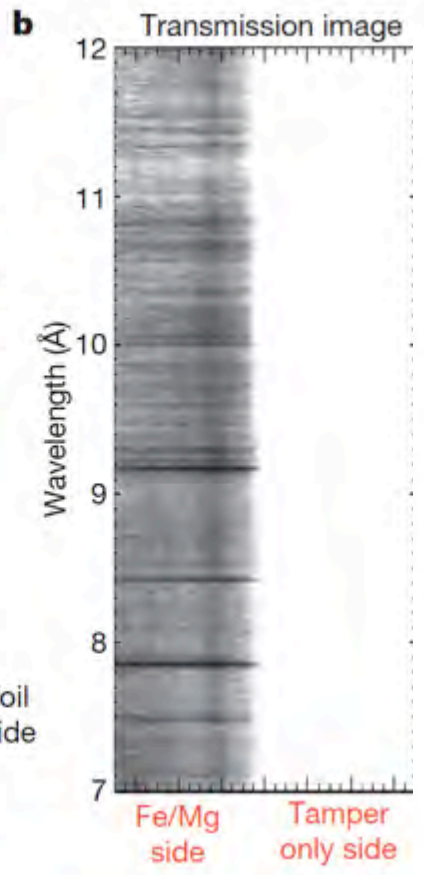
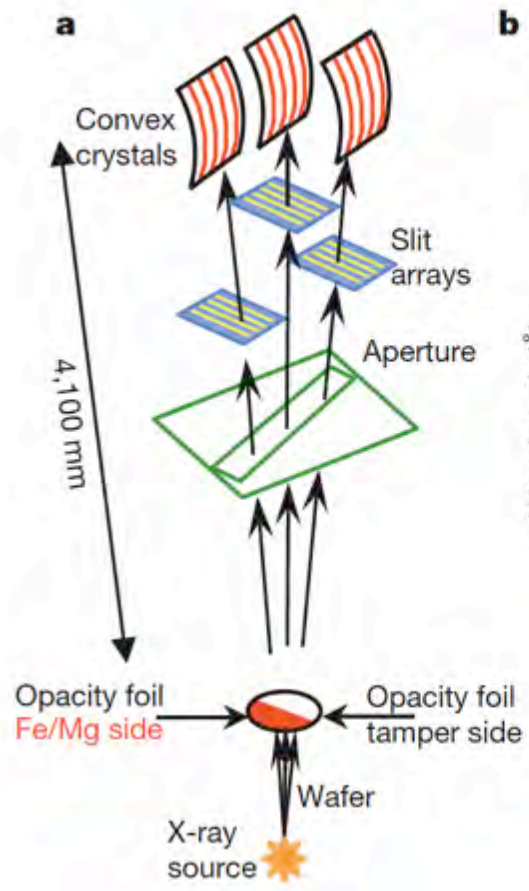


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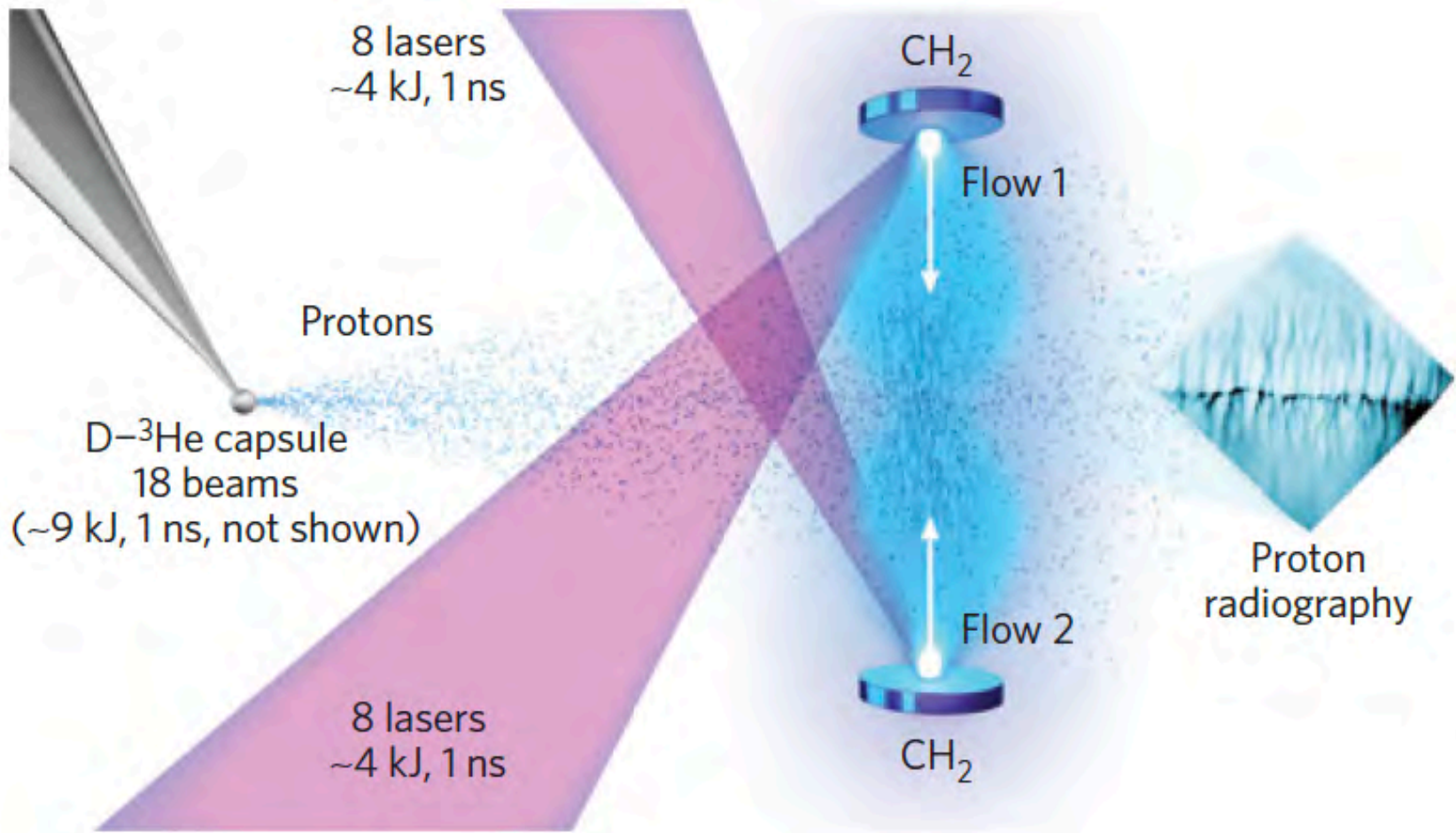
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Observation of magnetic field generation via the Weibel instability in interpenetrating plasma flows

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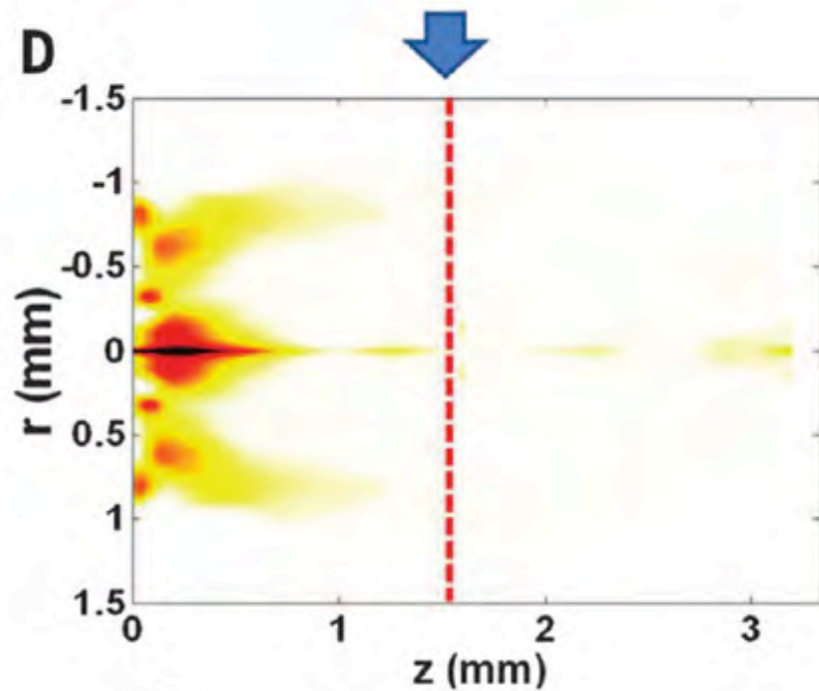
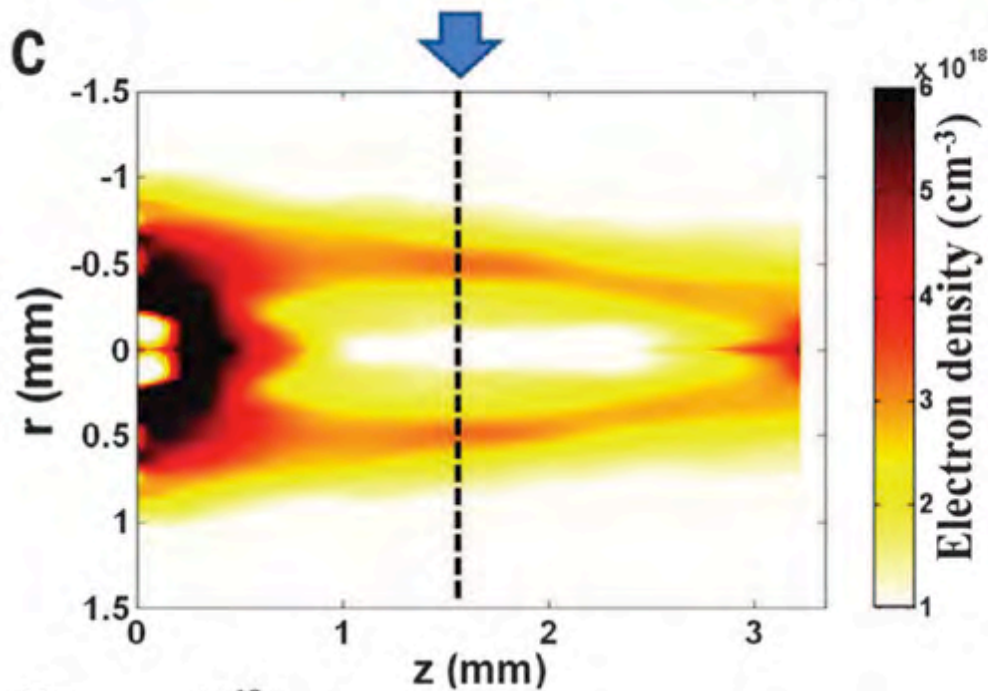
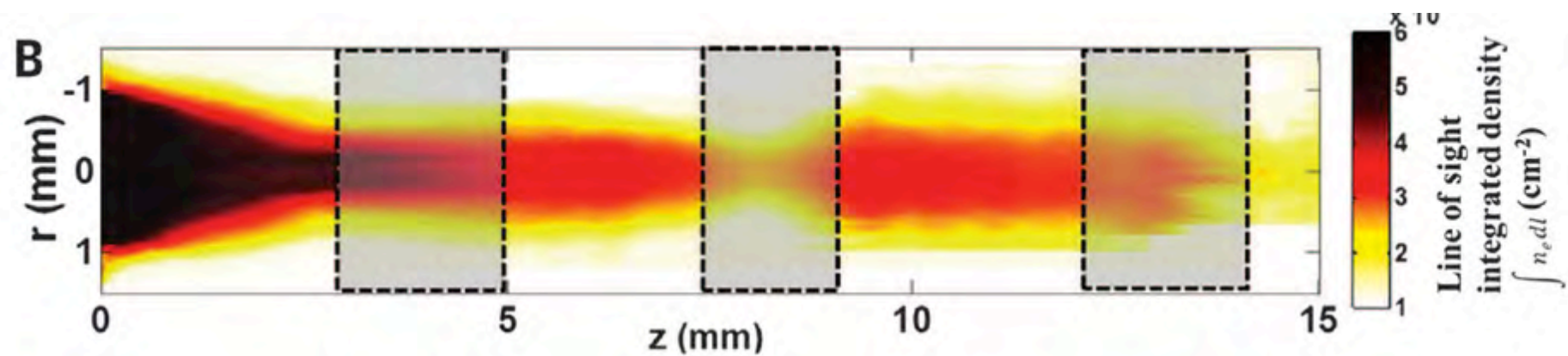


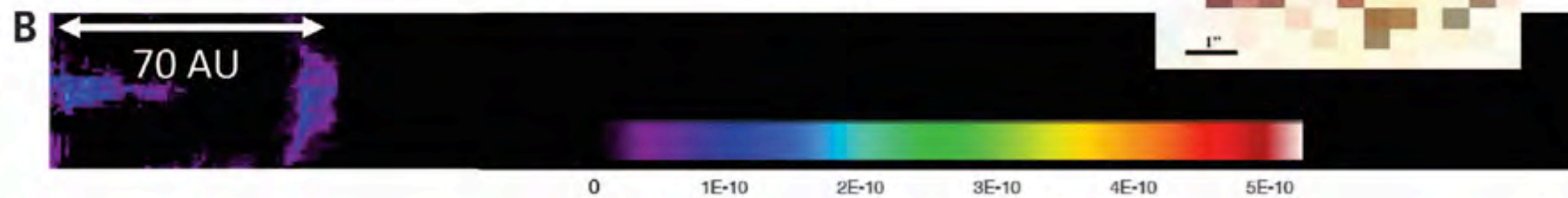
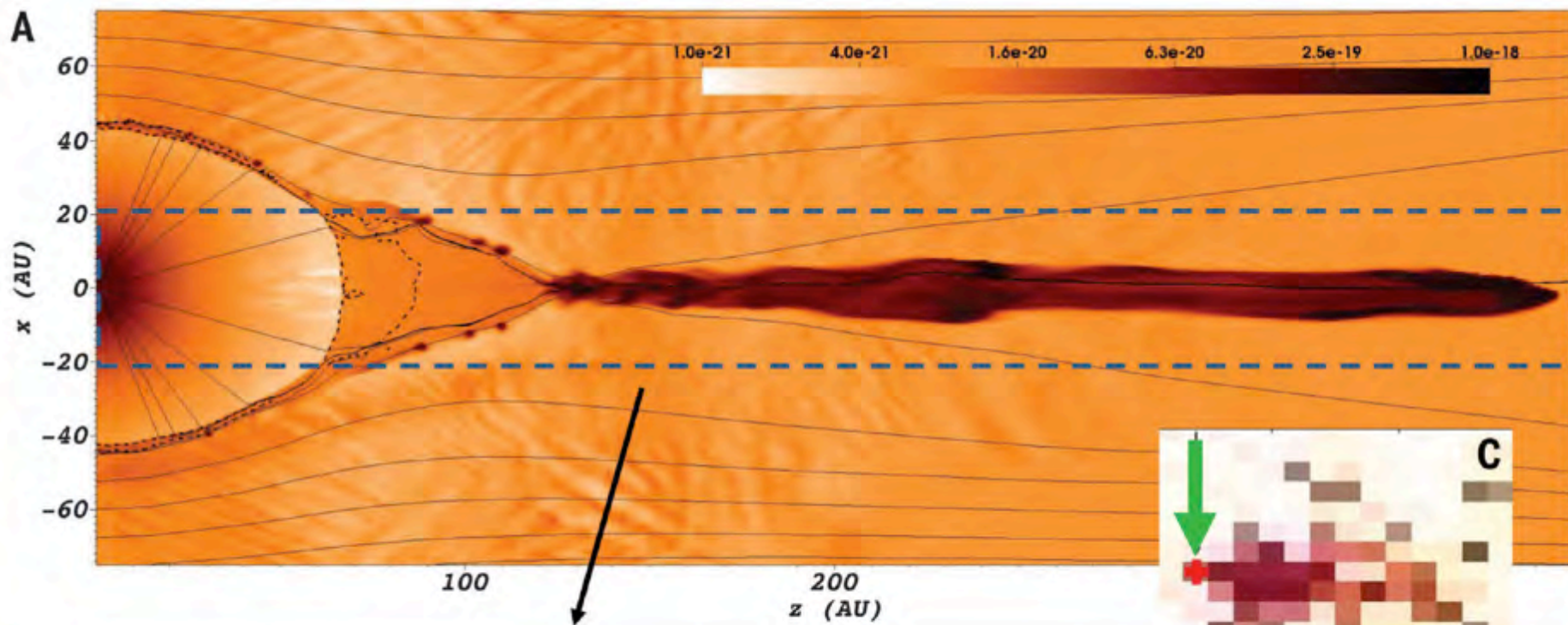
Laboratory formation of a scaled protostellar jet by coaligned poloidal magnetic field

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Additional HEDLA Work

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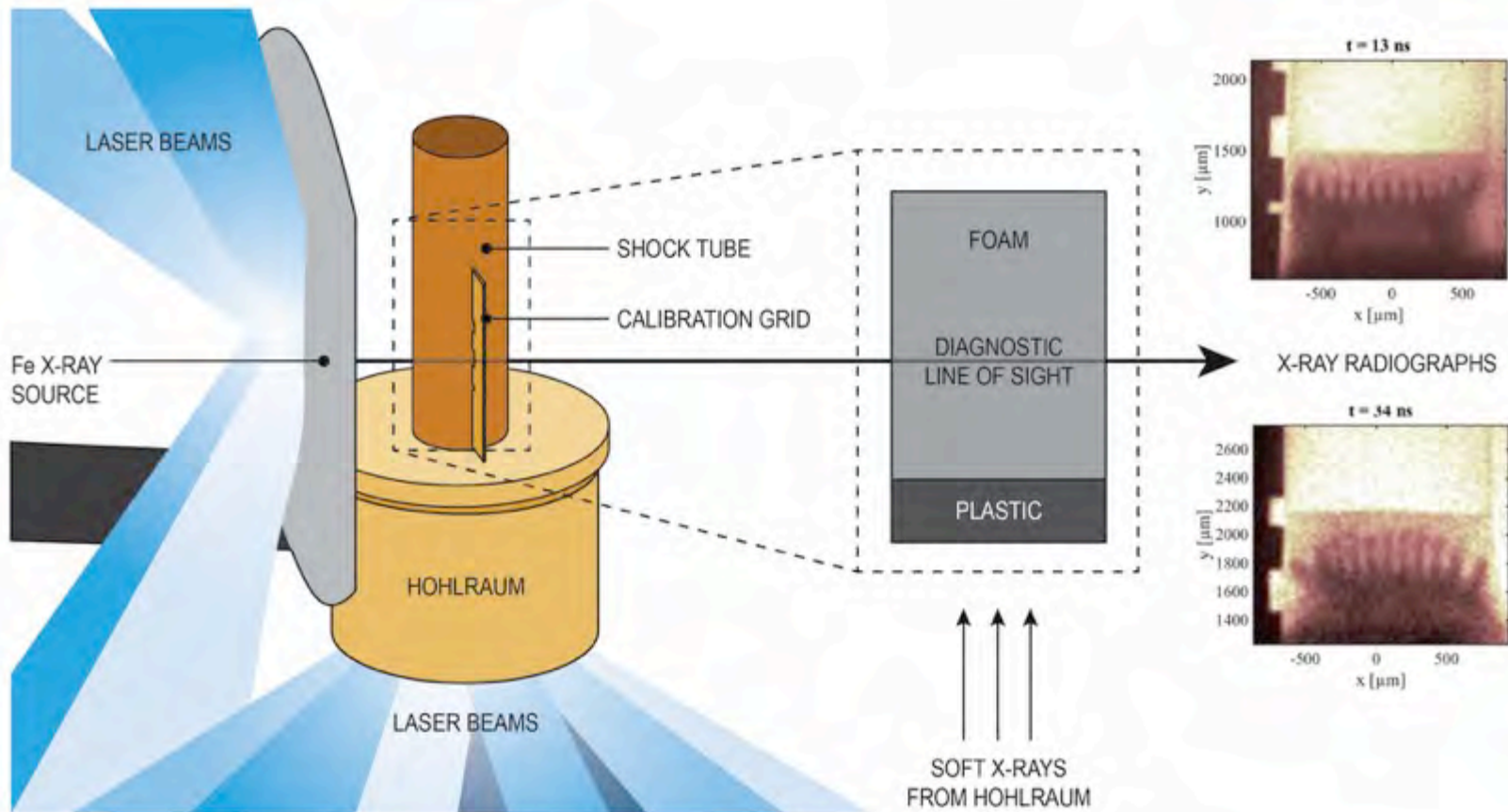
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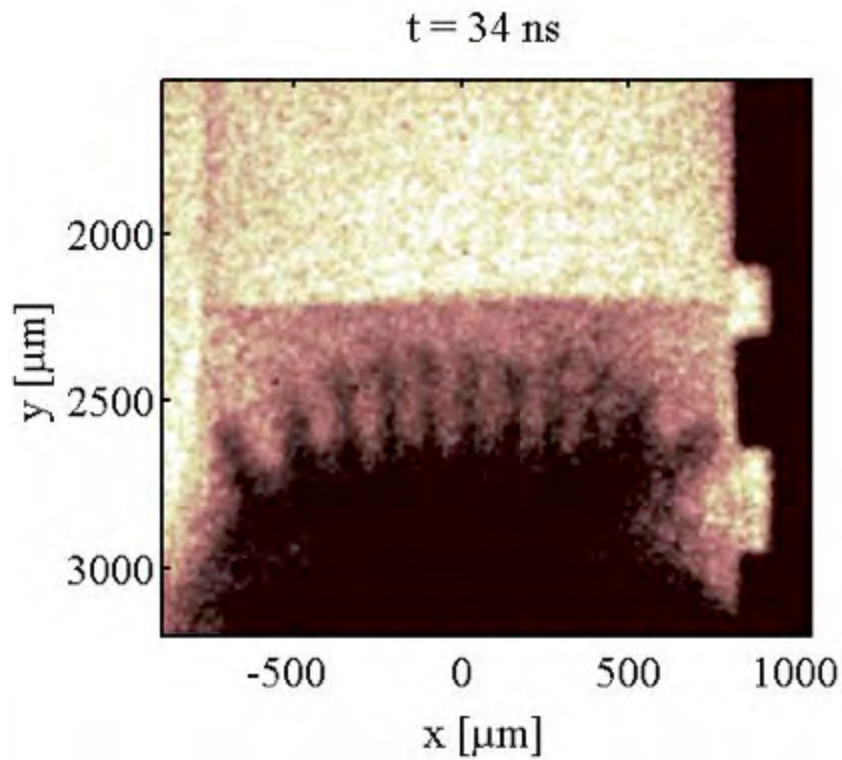
- **Laboratory experiments can garner knowledge information about specific processes in astrophysical systems**
- **HED Laboratory Astrophysics covers a vast array of physical processes**
- **There are a lot possibilities for HED experiments and collaborations**

We use to NIF drive a create a high- and low-energy flux in an RT unstable system

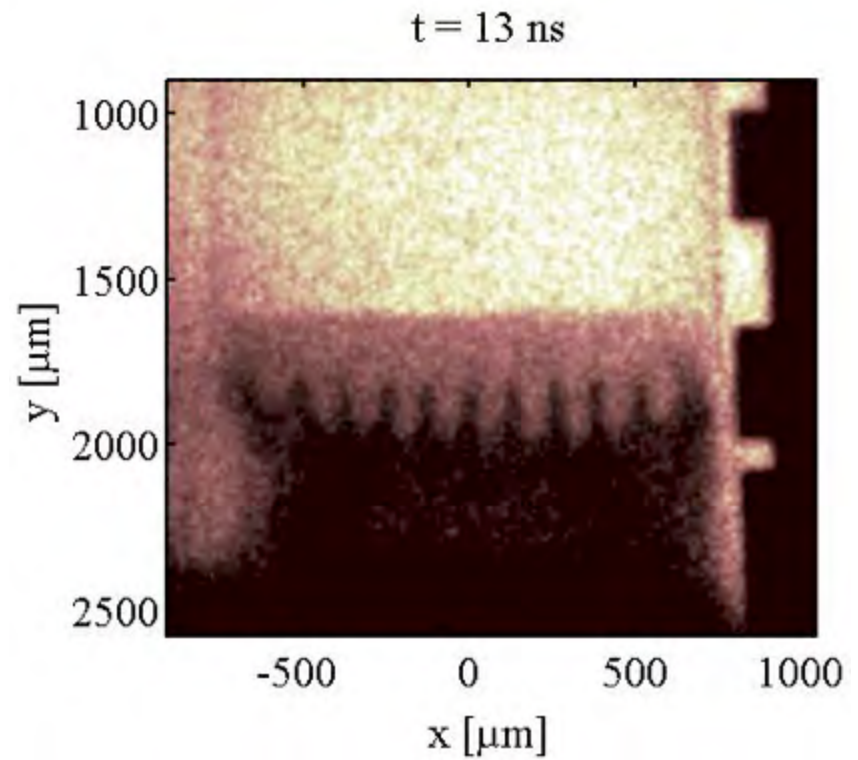


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Typical data show qualitative and quantitative differences between cases

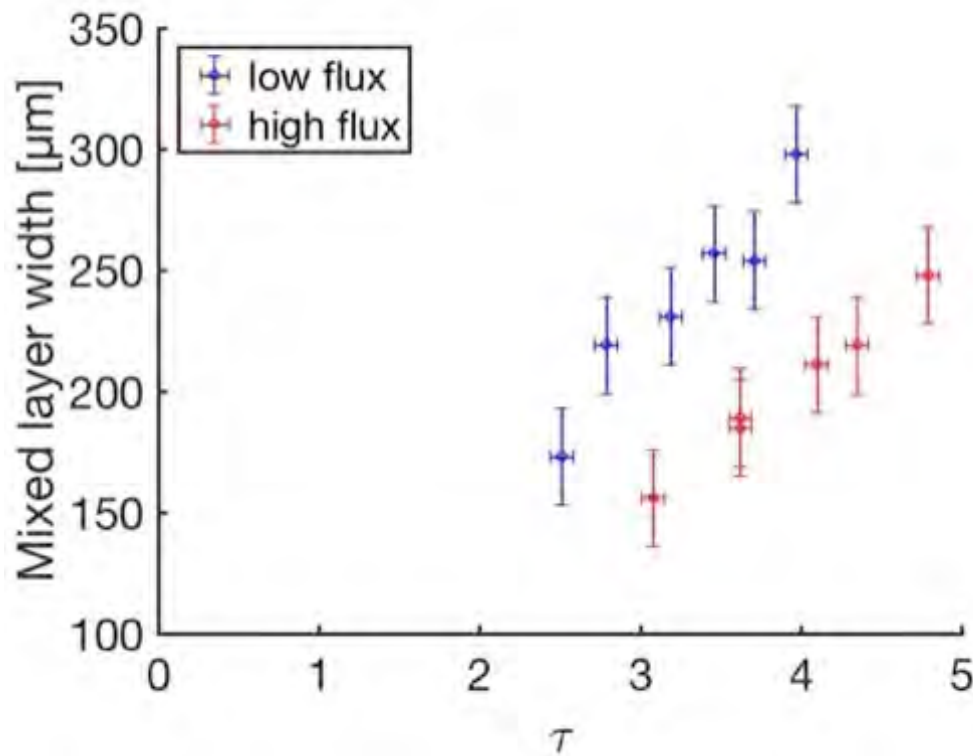


Low energy flux



High energy flux

We must compare the RT growth of each case

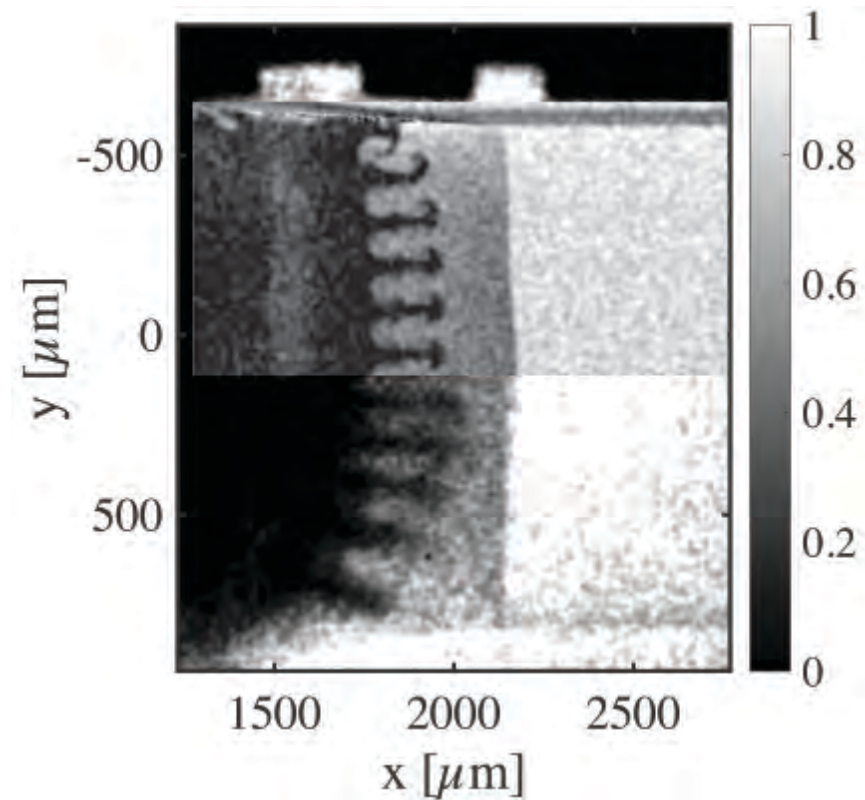
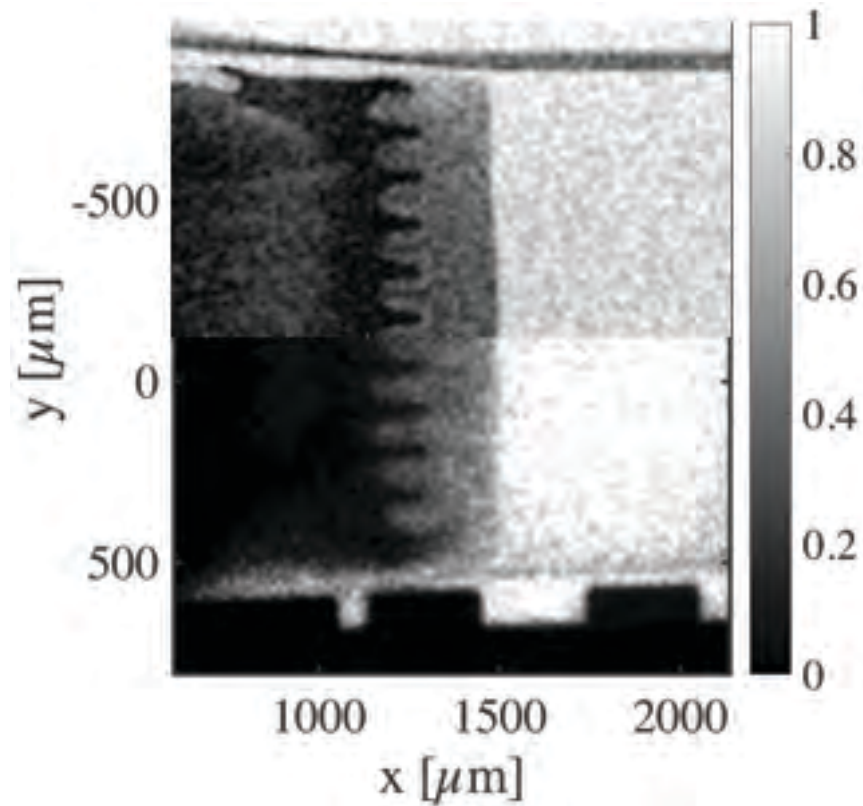


$$\tau = \int \gamma_{RT} dt$$

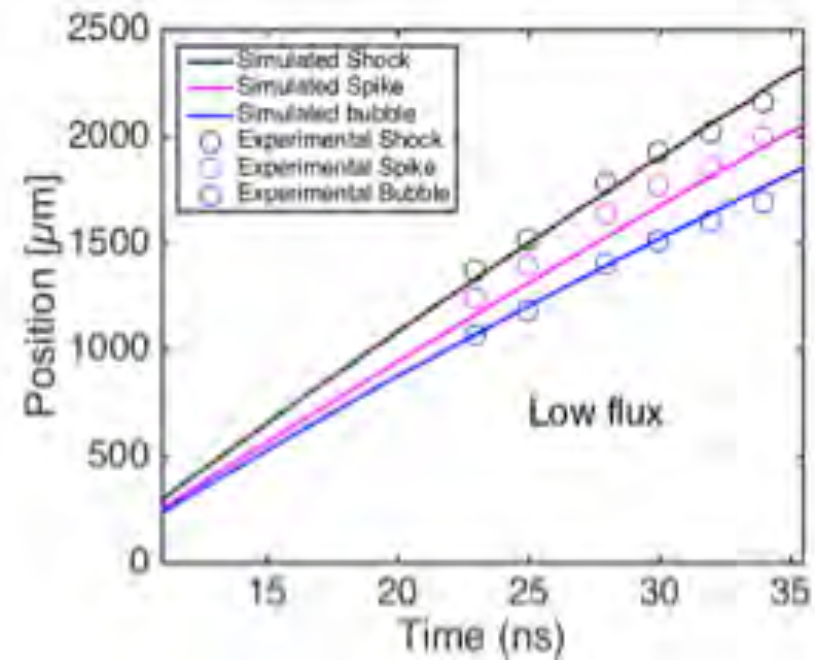
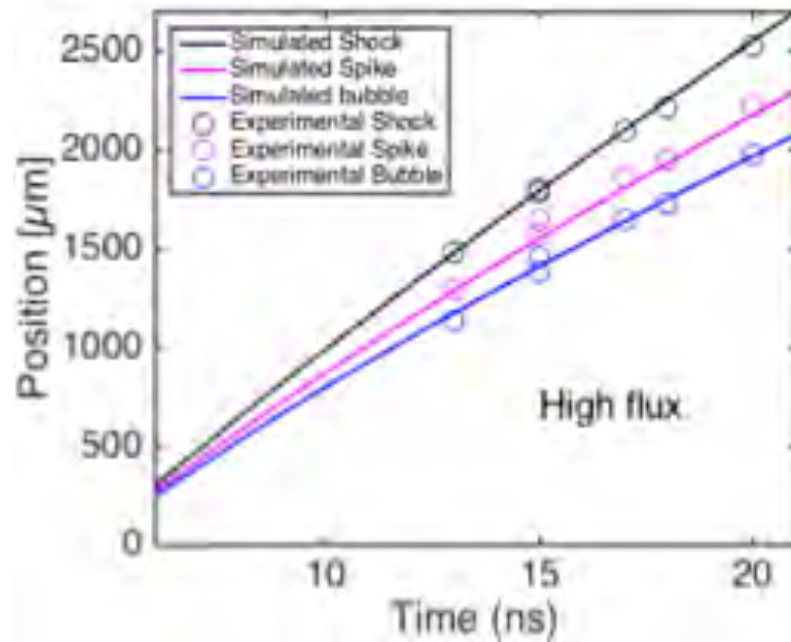
$$\gamma_{RT} = \sqrt{A(t)g(t)k}$$

$A(t)$ is the Atwood number, $g(t)$ is the acceleration and k is the wave number of the initial perturbation

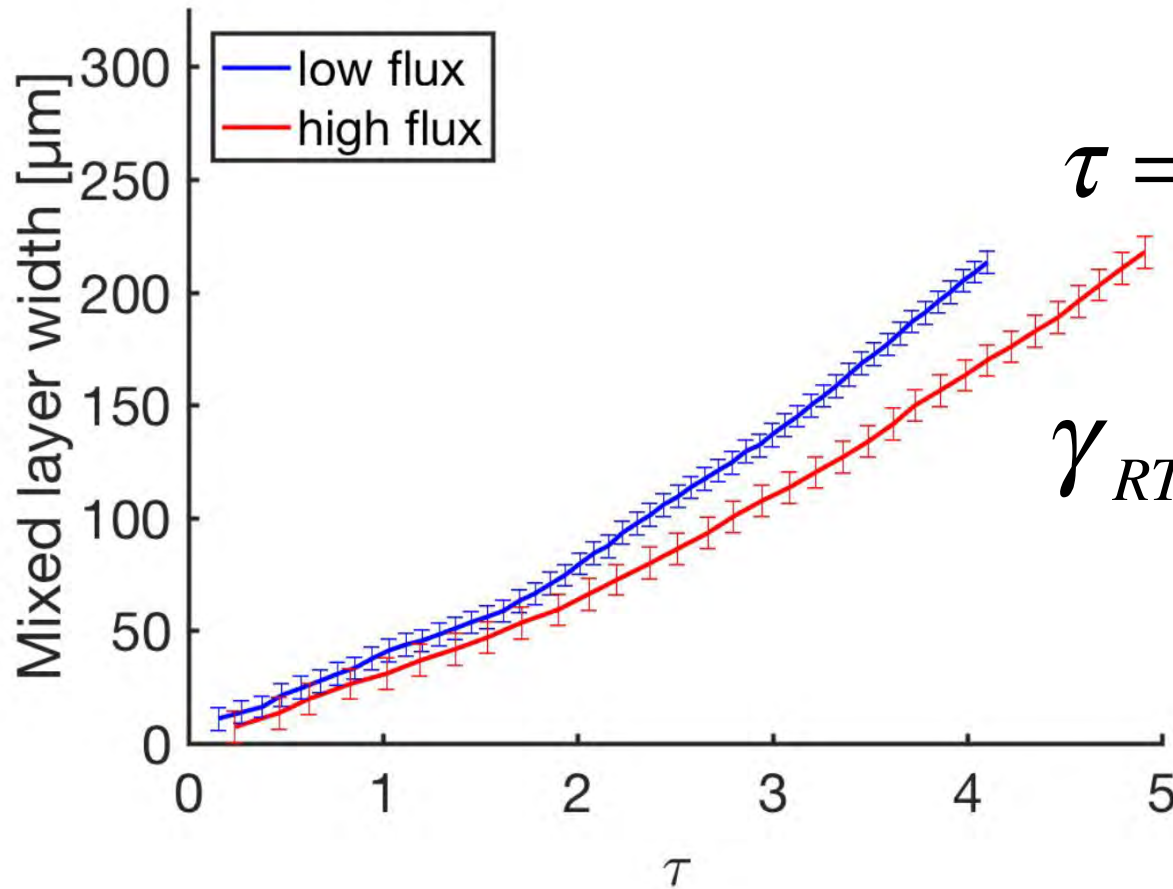
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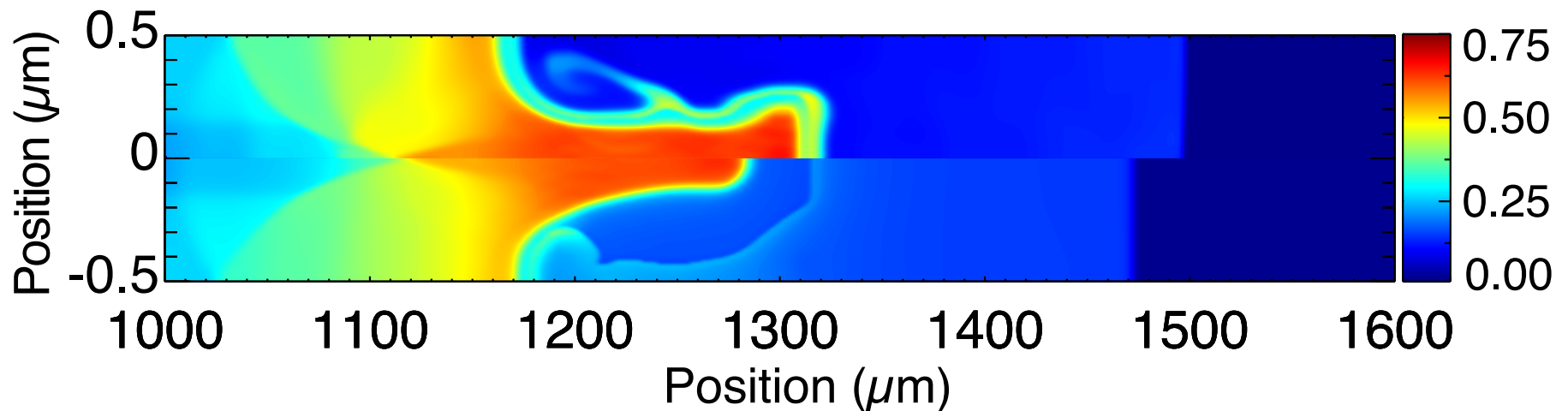
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Comparison of simulated nominal and reduced opacities

Astrophysical and experimental parameters

Scale Parameter	SN1993J	NIF experiment
Intershock distance L (cm)	$2.8 \times 10^{14} t_{yr}^{0.95}$	0.02
Shock separation speed U (cm/s)	$3.0 \times 10^8 t_{yr}^{-0.046}$	6.8×10^6
Ejecta density at RS (g cm^{-3})	$3.4 \times 10^{-19} t_{yr}^{-1.6}$	0.026
SEL Density (g cm^{-3})	$1.4 \times 10^{-16} t_{yr}^{-1.6}$	0.5
SCSM Density (g cm^{-3})	$9 \times 10^{-19} t_{yr}^{-1.6}$	0.18
SEL Temperature (eV)	$3800 t_{yr}^{-0.092}$	20
SCSM Temperature (eV)	$7.8 \times 10^5 t_{yr}^{-0.092}$	80
RS Velocity (km s^{-1})	$1.7 \times 10^4 t_{tyr}^{-0.046}$	35
FS Velocity (km s^{-1})	$2 \times 10^4 t_{tyr}^{-0.046}$	170
Z	1	2
A	1	20

Key dimensionless parameters

Dimensionless number	SN1993J	NIF experiment
λ_c/L	$\sim 10^{-4}$	$\sim 10^{-8}$
Re	$\sim 10^6$	$\sim 10^7$
Energy flux ratio R	$\sim 10^3$	~ 2

Both systems are highly collisional with negligible viscosity and energy fluxes due to radiation and heat conduction are higher or comparable to the mechanical energy flux

Heating is possible by radiation and electron heat conduction

$$F_{rad} = n_e n_i \Lambda D$$

Energy flux due to cooling by radiative losses from the shocked layer

$$Q_e = 0.1 n_e m_e v_{e,cs}^3$$

Electron heat flux, 10% the free-streaming heat flux

$$F_{mech} = \rho_{ej} v_{rs}^3$$

Mechanical energy flux driving the shock-heating of the shocked matter

n_e electron density

n_i ion density

Λ cooling function

D shocked layer thickness

m_e electron mass

$v_{e,cs}$ electron thermal velocity

ρ_{ej} ejecta density

v_{rs} reverse shock velocity

Radiative and heat conduction fluxes are large in SN1993J

Scale Parameter	SN1993J	NIF experiment
F_{mech} (ergs/cm ² /s)	$1.8 \times 10^5 t_{tyr}^{-1.76}$	2.8×10^{19}
F_{rad} (ergs/cm ² /s)	$3.6 \times 10^7 t_{tyr}^{-2.26}$	4.2×10^{19}
Q_e (ergs/cm ² /s)	$2.0 \times 10^8 t_{tyr}^{-1.76}$	1.7×10^{19}

$$R = \frac{Q_{ecs} + F_{rad}}{F_{mech}}$$

Energy flux ratio R	10^3	2
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