

# Line VISAR options for the NTS Large Bore Powder Gun

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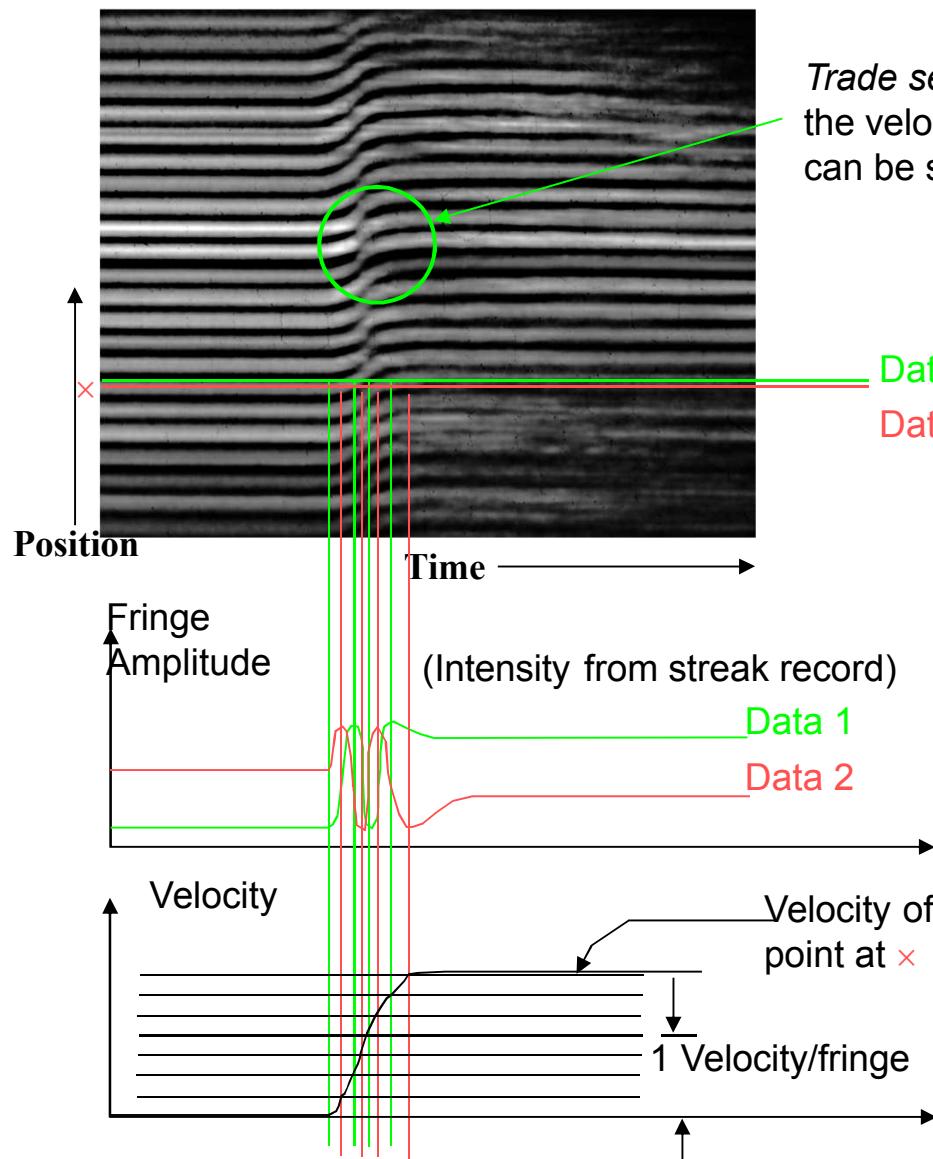
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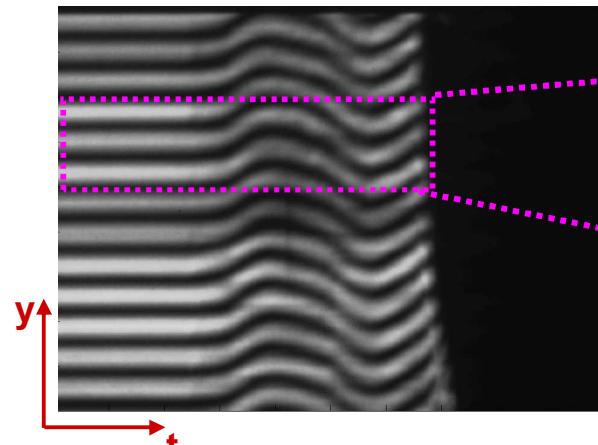


# The line-imaging VISAR provides spatially-resolved velocity histories

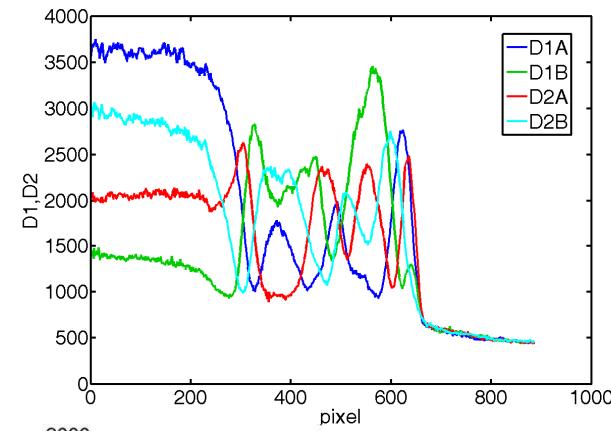
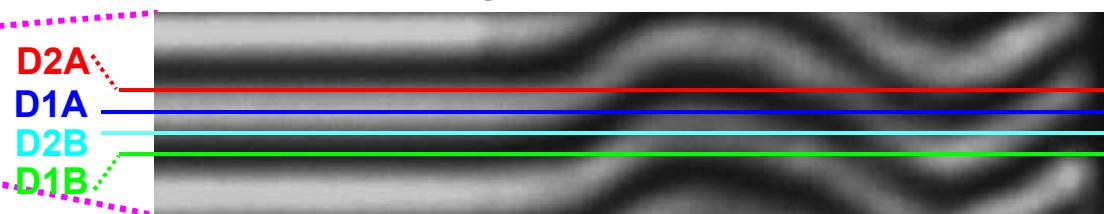
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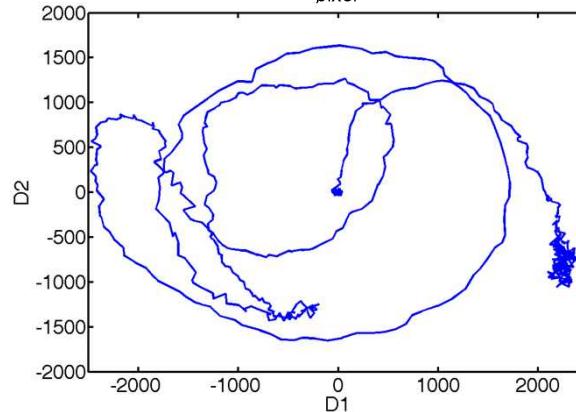
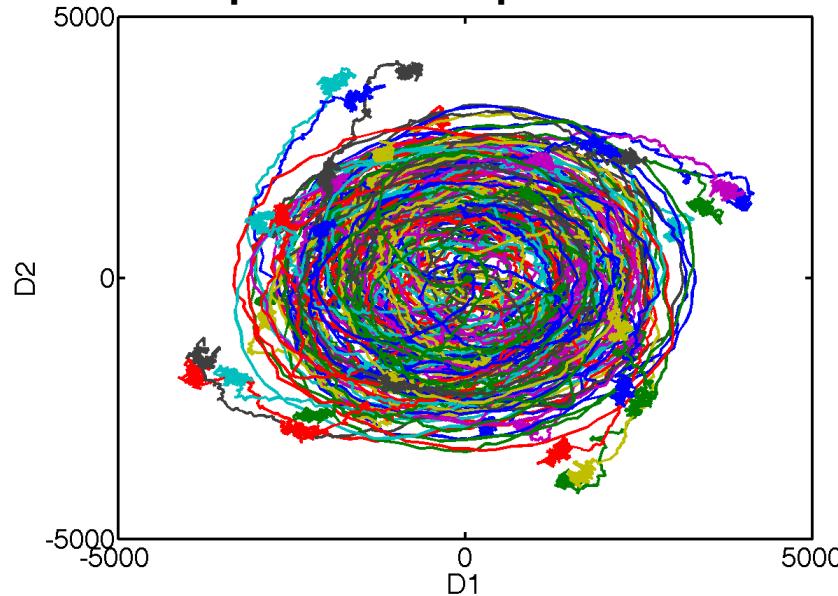
# Analysis of Line VISAR data using quadrature extraction can provide consistent Lissajous centers



Single VISAR quadrature set

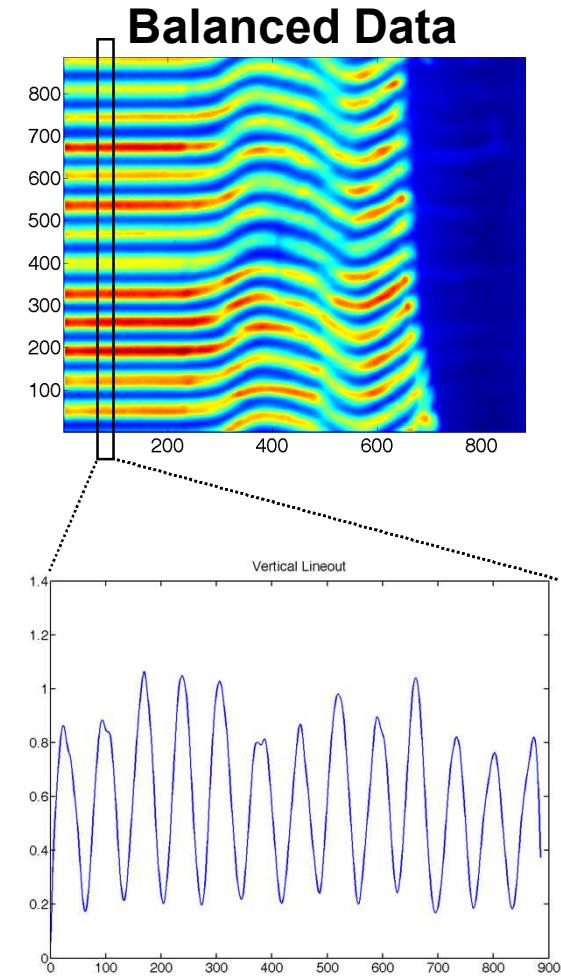
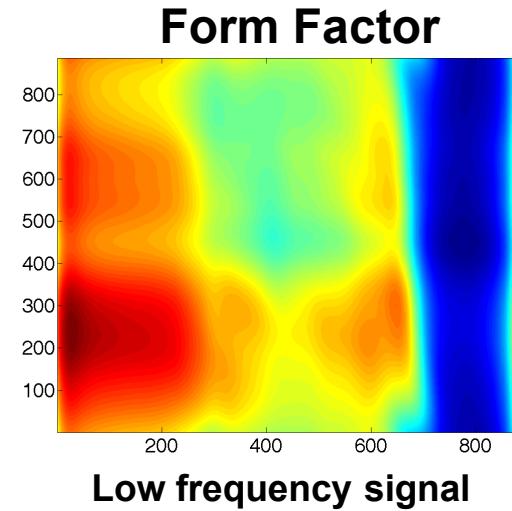
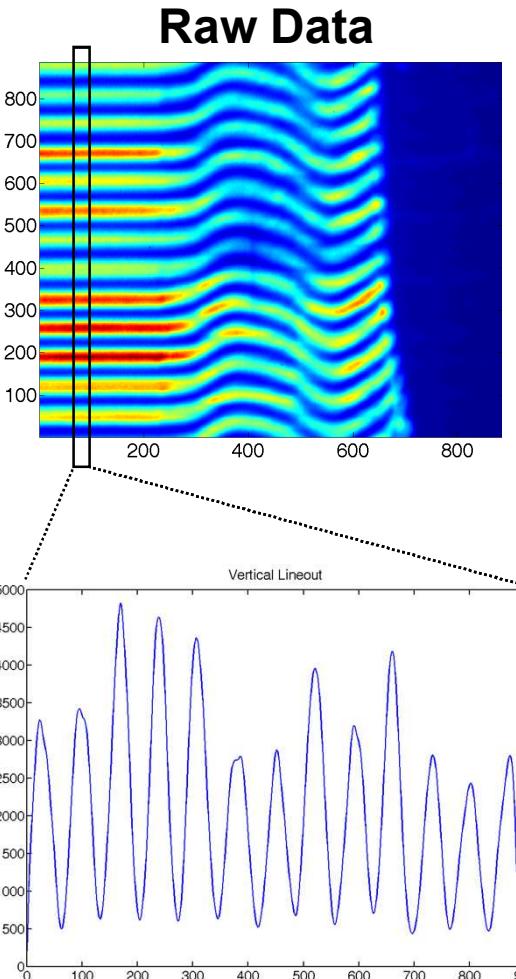


Complete VISAR quadrature sets





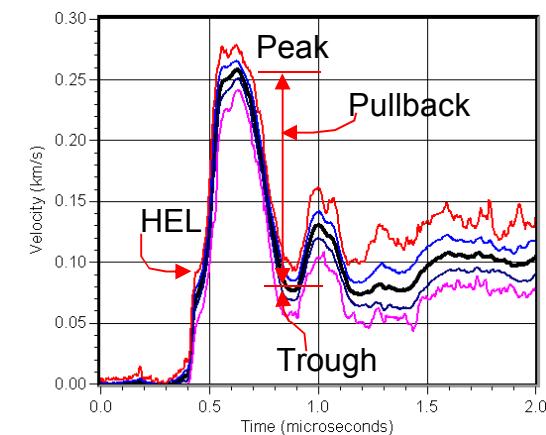
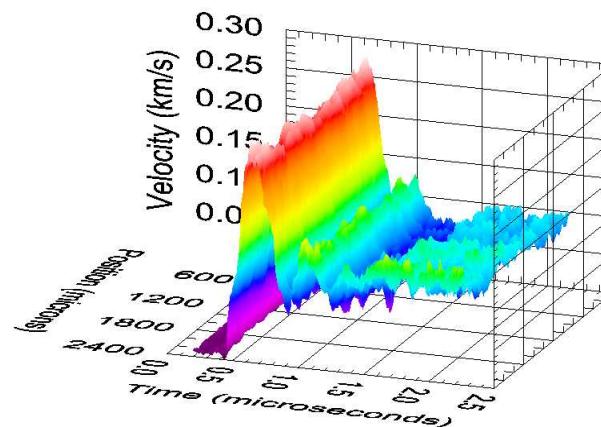
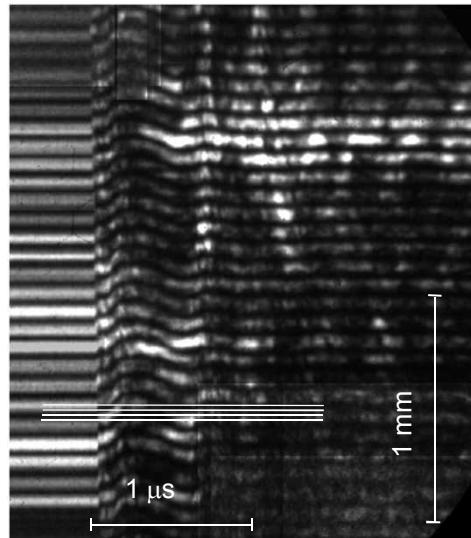
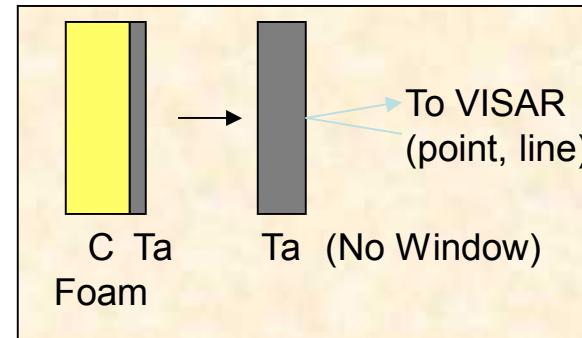
# FFT-based balancing of fringe data provides reproducible pre-reduction data conditioning



$$\text{Balanced Data} = \frac{\text{Raw Data}}{\text{Form Factor}}$$

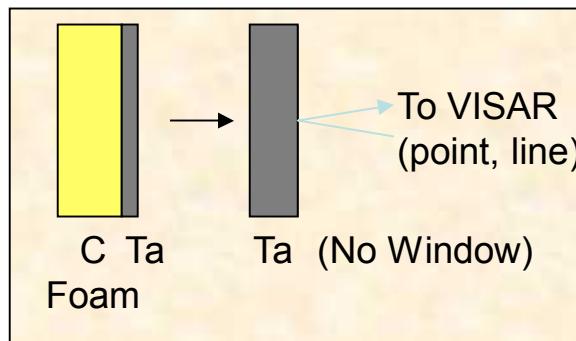


# From the streak camera image velocity versus time and position may be derived



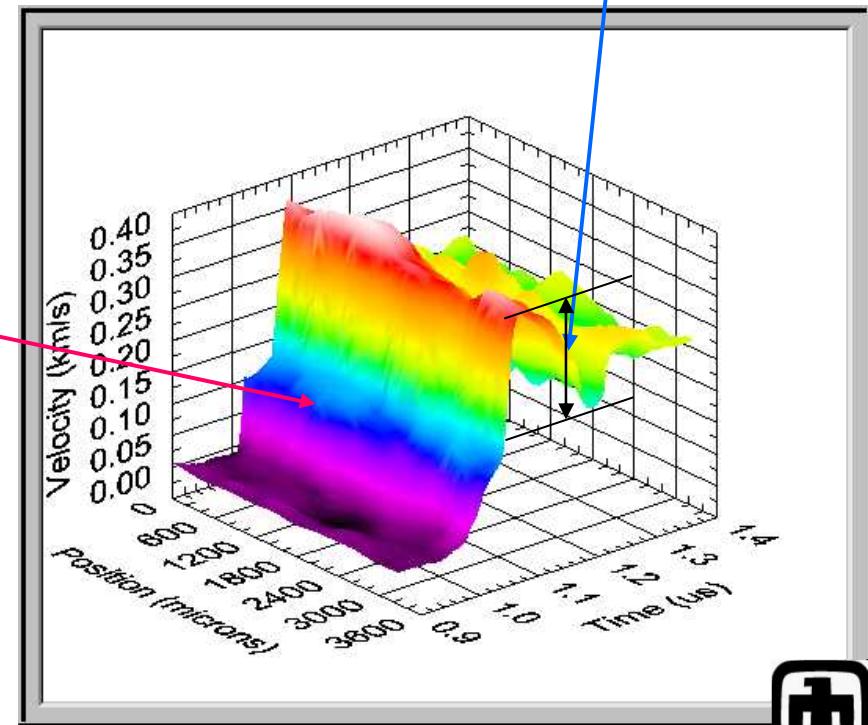


## Case study: Ta is a mesoscopically heterogeneous material, with heterogeneous yield behavior



Spall strength calculated from pullback

HEL strength calculated  
from elastic wave  
amplitude

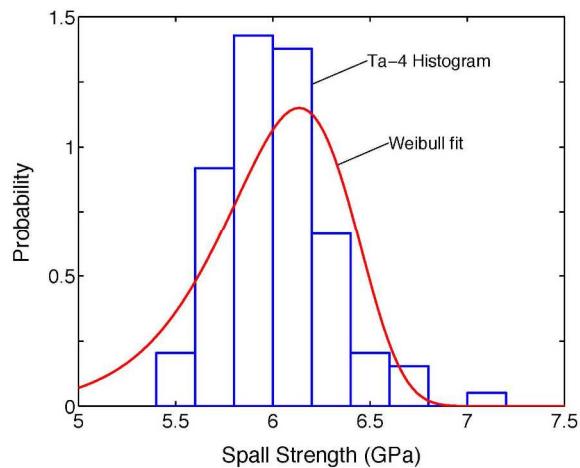
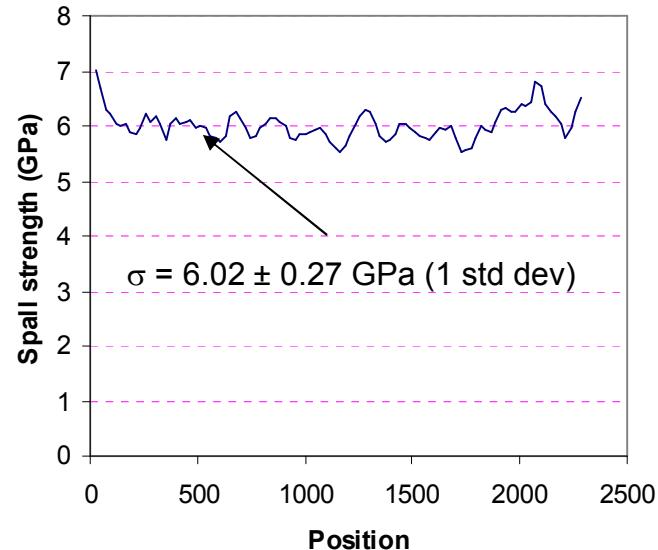
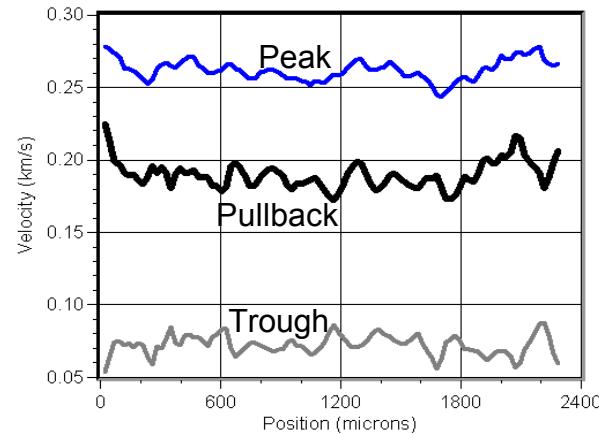
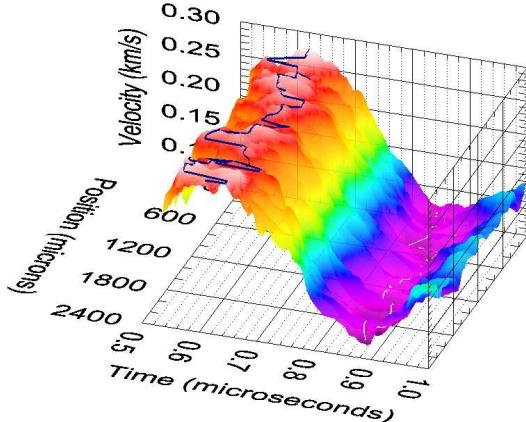


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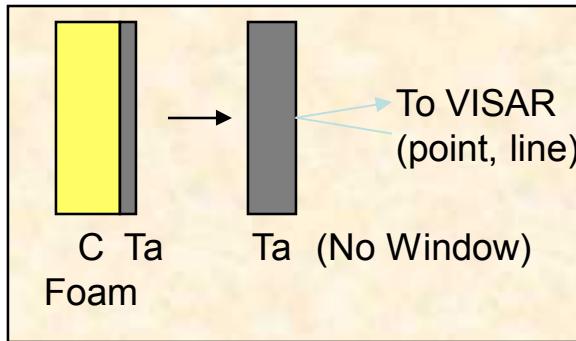


# The spall strength is calculated at each point, and variability is determined

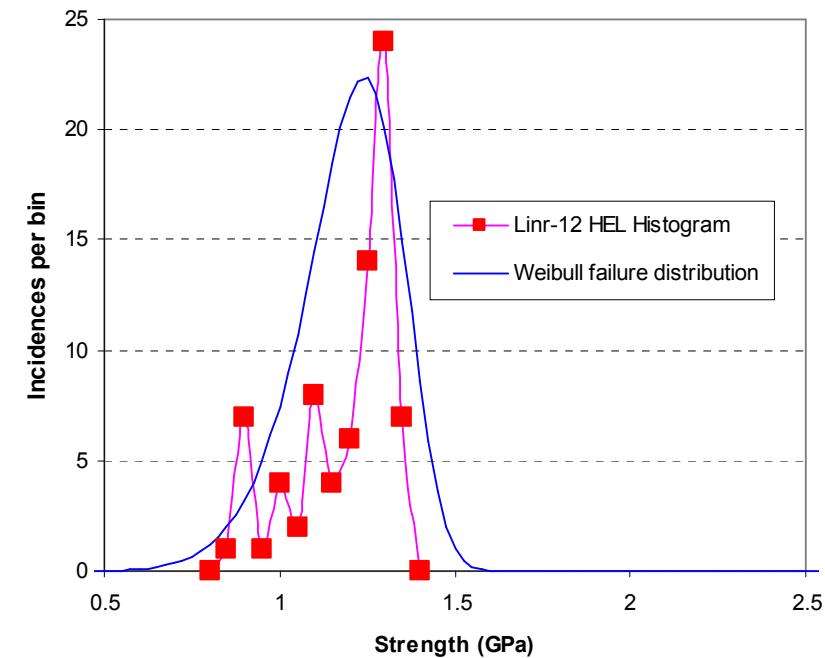
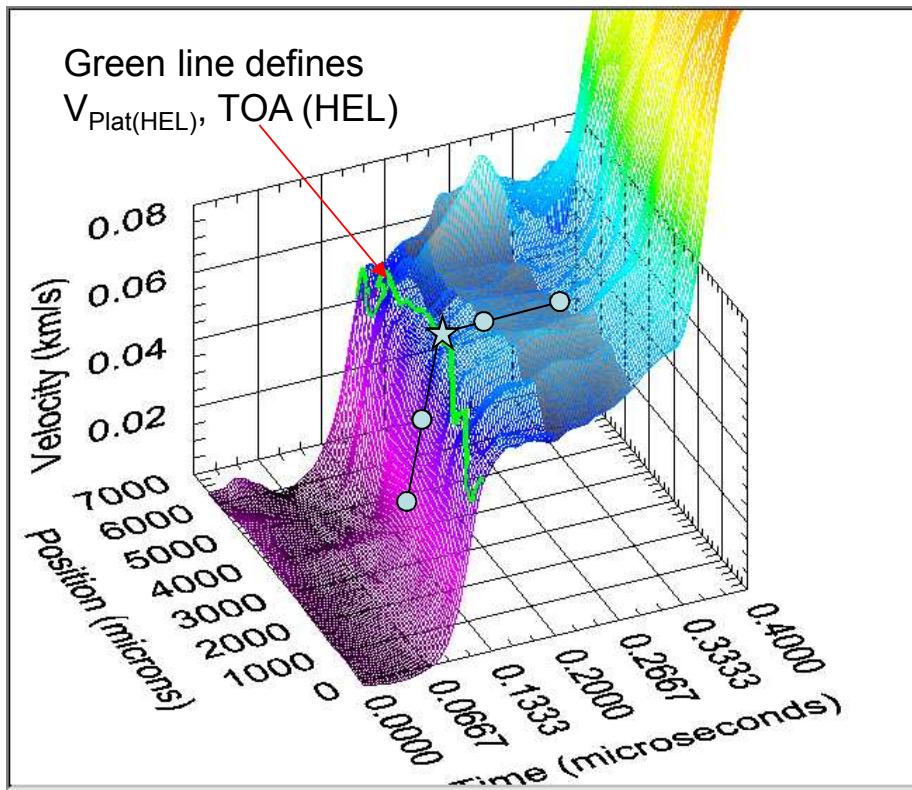
$$\text{Spall strength} = 0.5 \cdot \text{Pullback} \cdot \rho_0 \cdot C_0 + h/2 \cdot (dp/dt) \cdot (1/C_b - 1/C_l)$$



# HEL levels vary from shot to shot and from point to point as well



$$\begin{aligned}\text{Strength at HEL} &= \sigma_{\text{HEL}} * (1-2v) / (1-v) \\ &= (1/2) * V_{\text{Plat(HEL)}} * U_{S(\text{HEL})} * (1-2v) / (1-v)\end{aligned}$$





## A useful way to express failure properties is via Weibull statistics

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The probability of failure at or below a given stress  $P(\sigma)$  is:

$$P(\sigma) = 1 - \exp[-(\sigma/\alpha)^\beta]$$

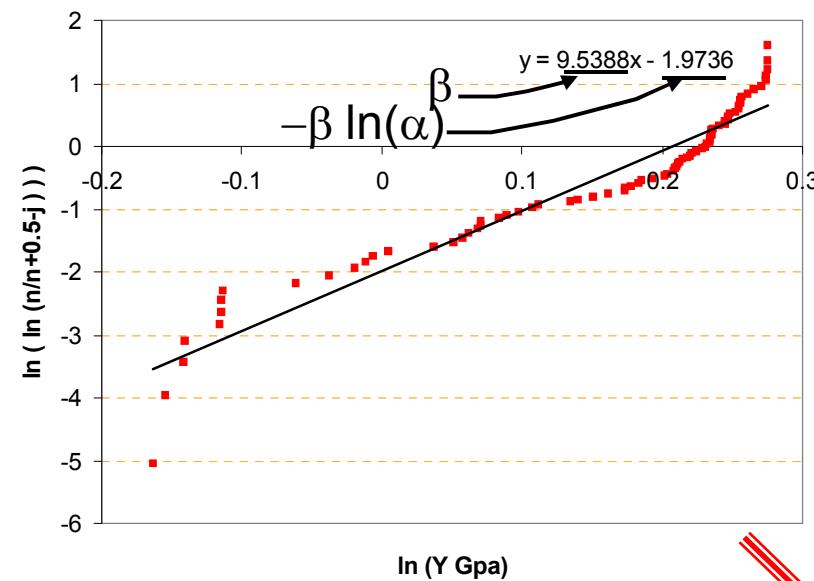
Here,  $\alpha$  is a scale parameter (dimensions of stress) and  $\beta$  is the Weibull modulus. Larger  $\beta$  means a narrower range of  $\sigma$  over which yield occurs.

For a set of  $n$  samples (ordered from first-to-fail to last), the  $j$ th result is assigned a cumulative probability of failure  $P_j$ . A common estimator is:

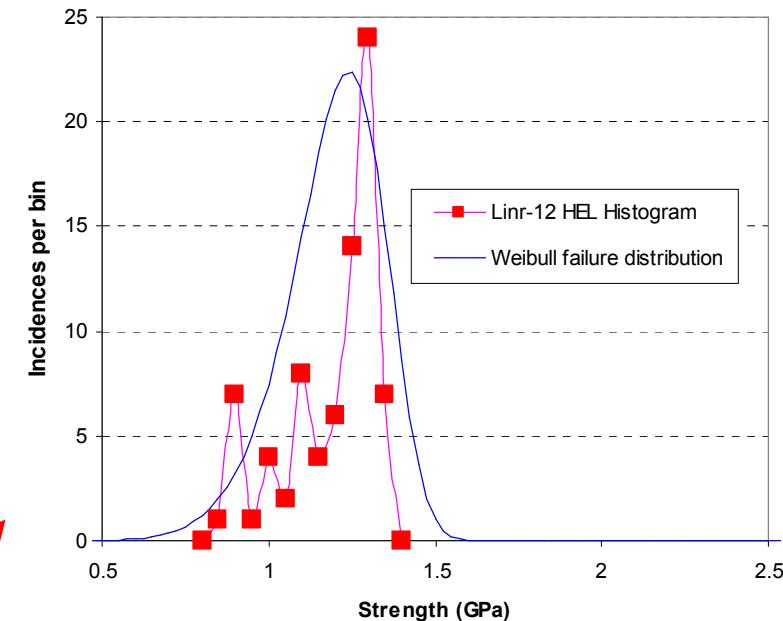
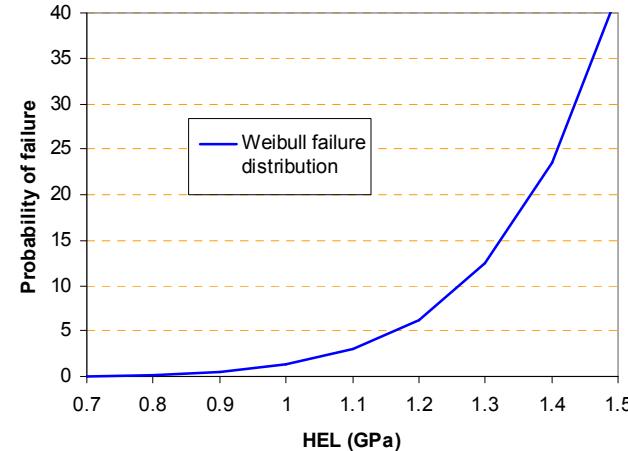
$$P_j = j / (n + 1)$$

(although there are others)

# Weibull statistics parameterize the failure histogram of a sample



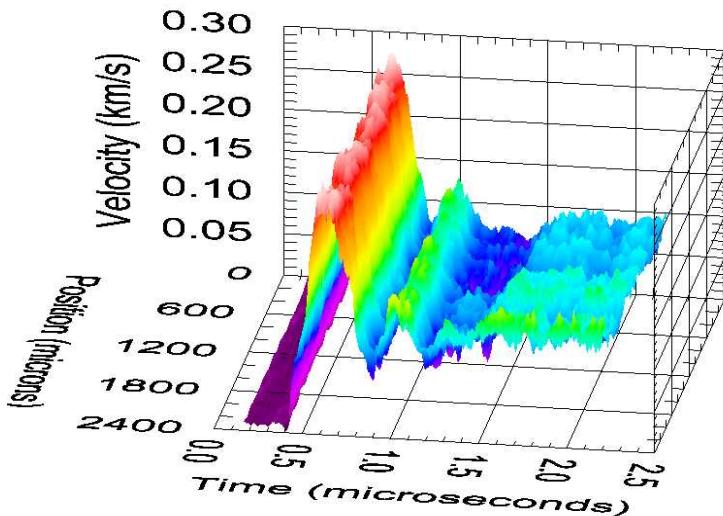
The rate function is what fraction of the unfailed points will be expected to fail over the next 1 GPa stress increment.



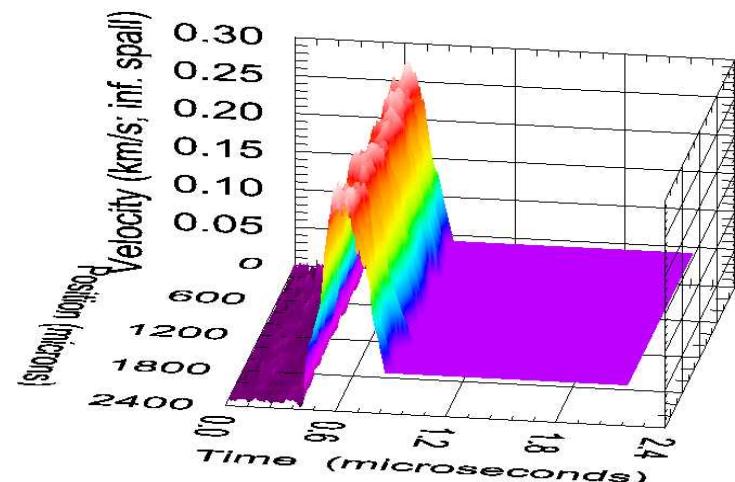
$\alpha = 1.23$  (~ centroid)  
 $\beta = 9.54$  ( $\propto 1/\text{spread}$ )  
 $P(\sigma) = 1 - \exp[-(\sigma/\alpha)^\beta]$



# The degree of material distension may be measured versus position via line VISAR

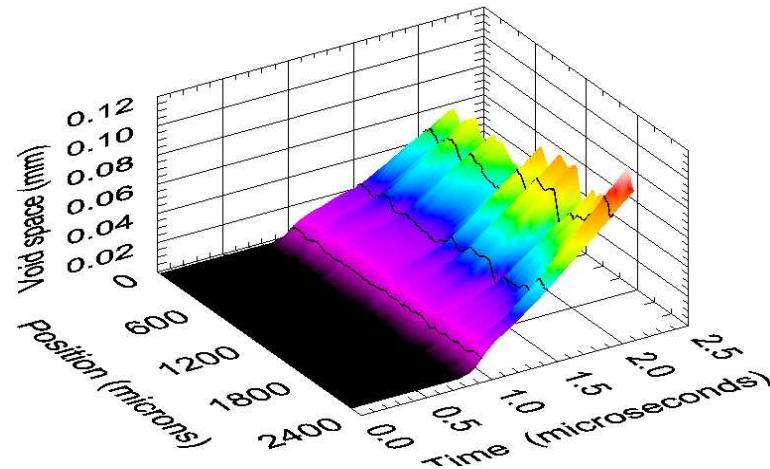


Observed Velocity

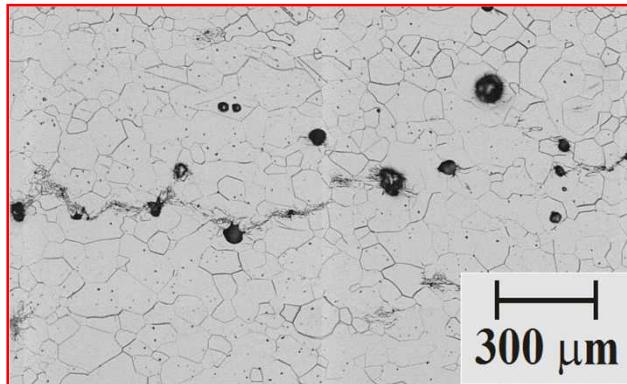
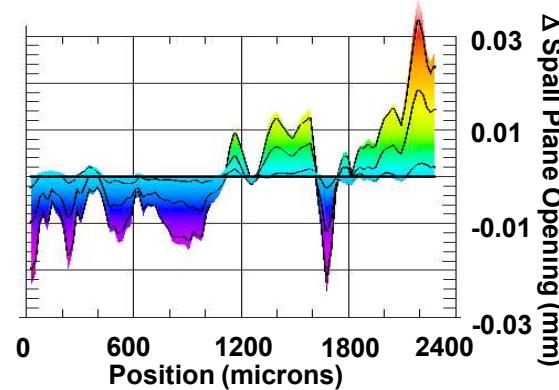
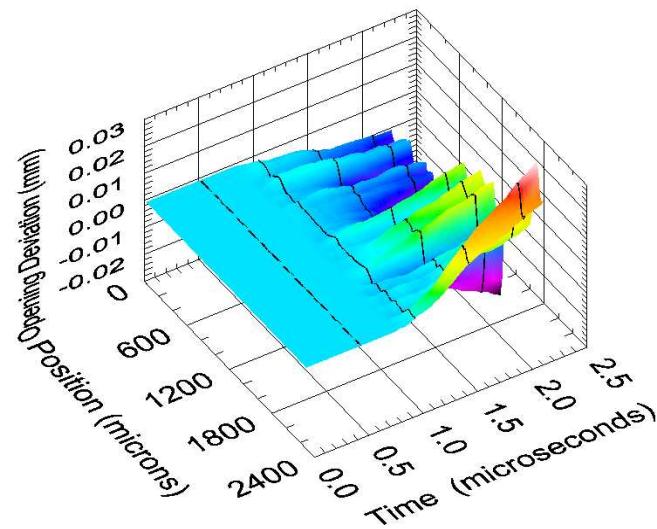


If spall had not occurred

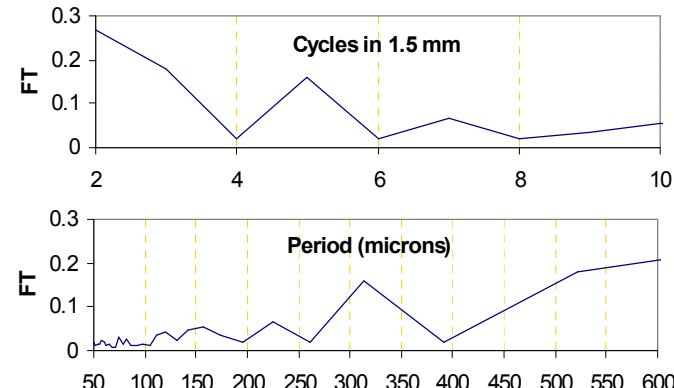
Subtract and integrate over time to calculate material distension (“void size” for spall)



For an incipient spall experiment, void sizes are generally less than 30 microns (~ grain size)

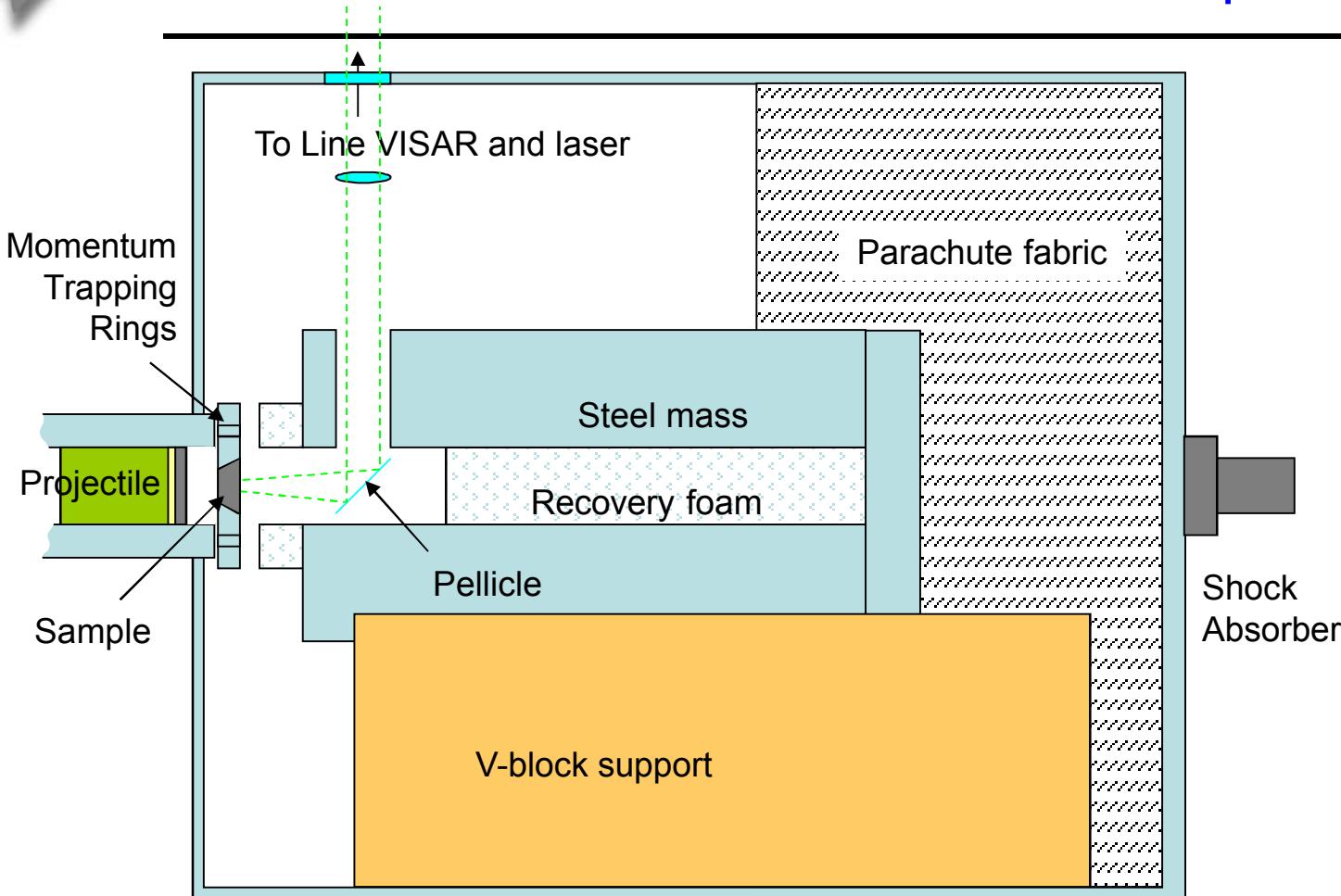


(Photo from A. K. Zurek)



Separations  $\sim$  300 microns apart.

# Validation experiments are in preparation using simultaneous line VISAR and sample recovery



Samples: Ta and OFE Cu (supplied by G. T. Gray III, LANL)

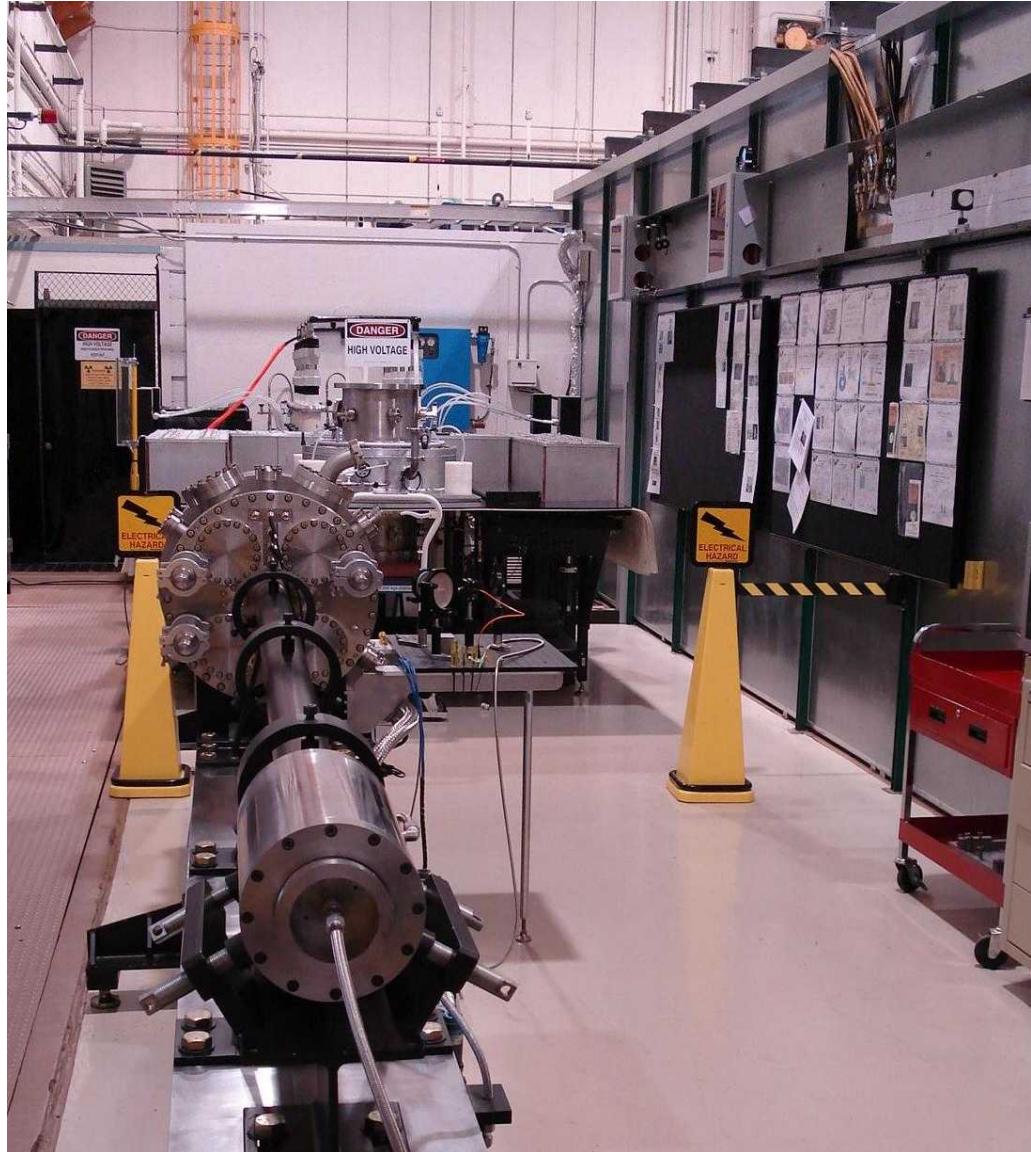
Incipient spall conditions (also unyielded?)

Post-shot metallography (geometry tied to line VISAR position via indentations)

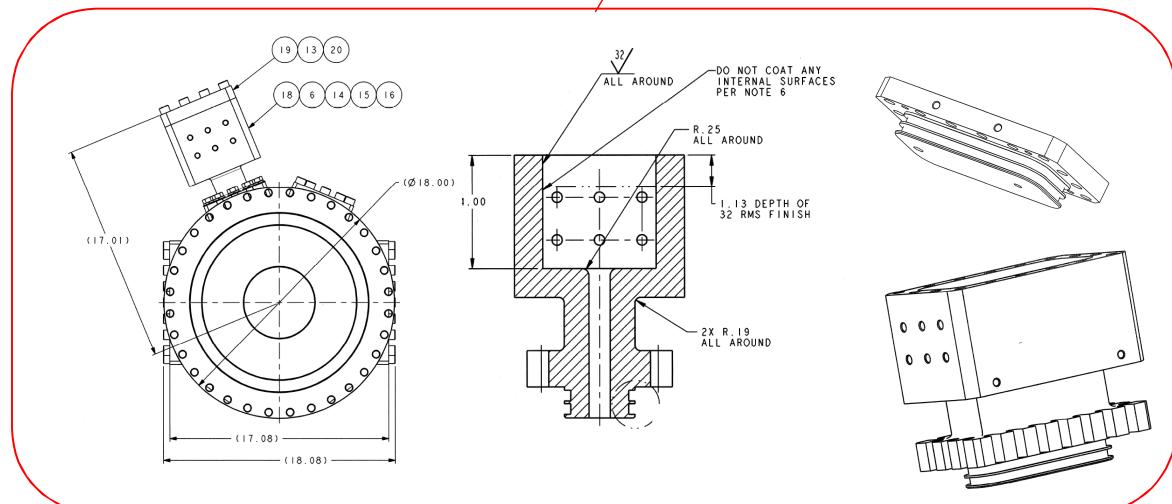
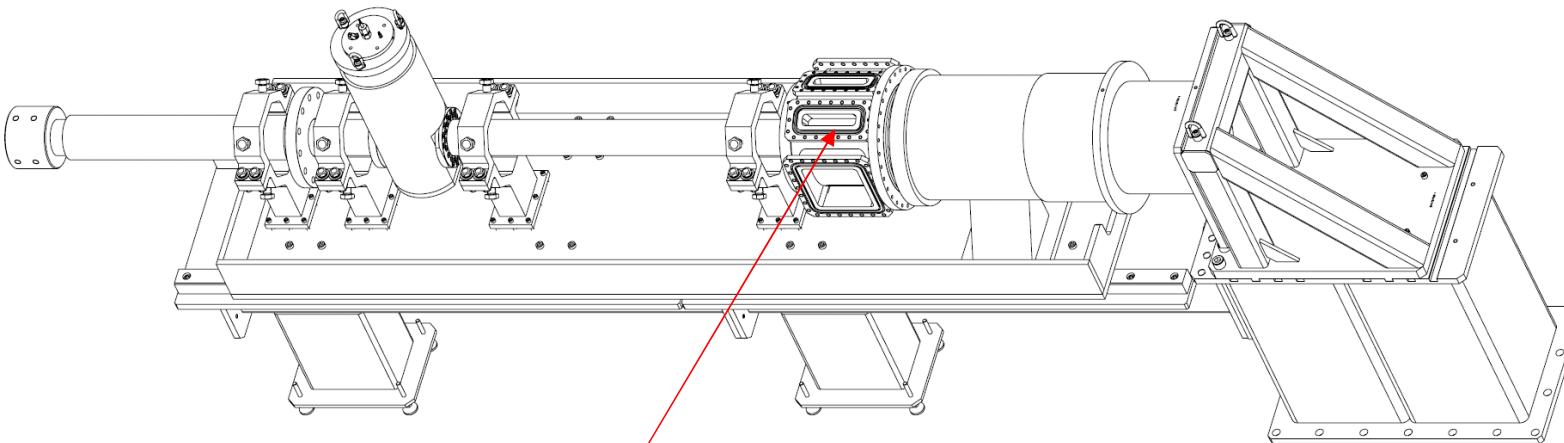


## These experiments are to in preparation on the DICE Gas Gun

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# Implementation of Line VISAR on LBPG is possible, but not trivial (3/4" slot?)



Drawings from Robert Valdiviez, LANL

## Issues:

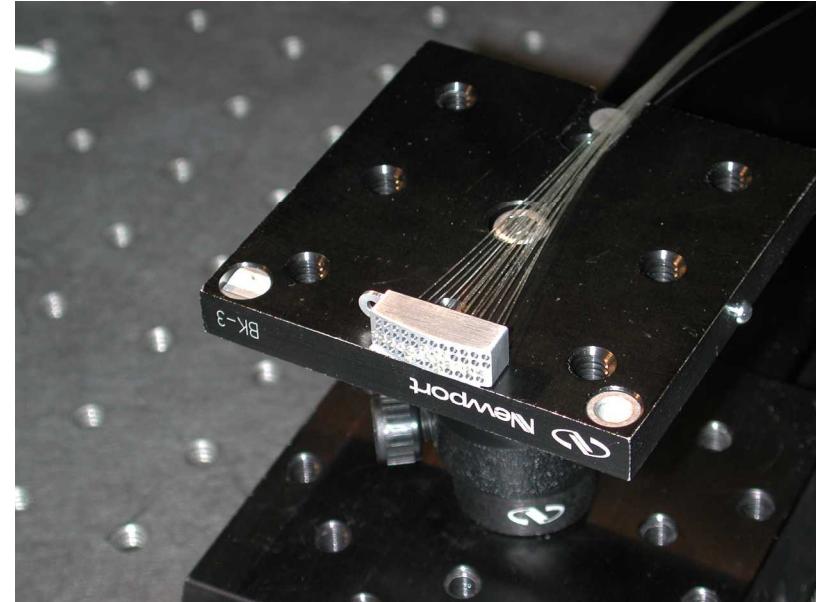
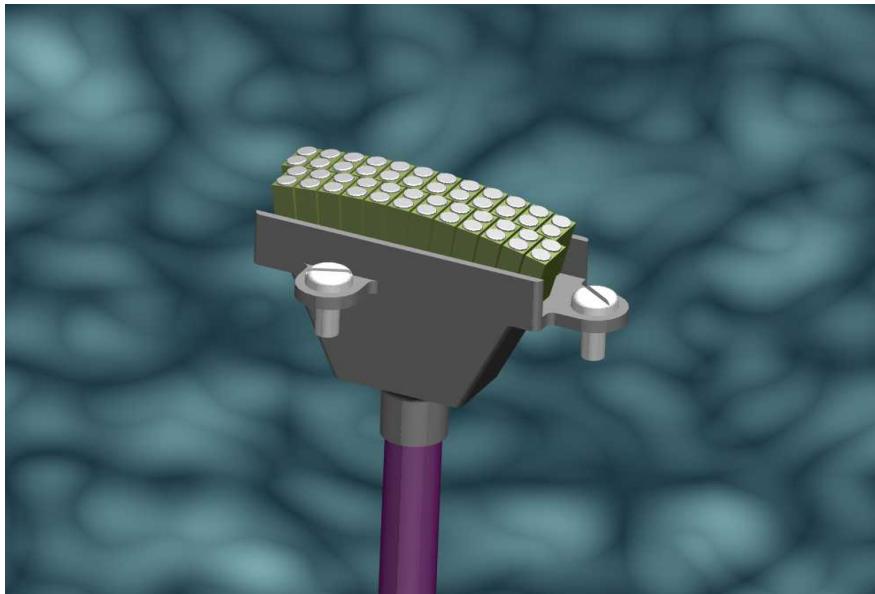
- Periscope
- Zero room deployment vs. relay thru bulkhead



## An Alternative: Multipoint Probe

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- Method demonstrated on Krakatau series
- Can be done with pulsed laser (36 pt) or CW/Pockel cell (up to ~12 pts)
- Spot separations ~ 1 mm (possible down to  $\frac{1}{2}$  mm with probe demagnification)
- Would fit more easily into existing LBPG diagnostic access design
- Physics: Would still allow some yield statistics studies, but not scale studies



(Images from D. A. Clark and V. Romero)



## Conclusions

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- Line Imaging VISAR provides 50 – 100 micron-level resolution of yield phenomena (e.g. spall, HEL) as well as other spatially interesting phenomena (edge effects, instabilities)
- It also provides statistical information on failure
- Fielding it on the Large-Bore Powder Gun is difficult, but possible
- Multipoint VISAR offers failure statistics as well, and is easier to implement. However, it does not offer the detailed spatial information afforded by line VISAR.
- Validation experiments for line VISAR (also applicable to multipoint VISAR) are in preparation, including VISAR and recovery on the same samples, and spatial correlation of the VISAR readings and later metallography. These will establish how material distension inferences from line VISAR measurements correspond to post-shot metallographic measurements.

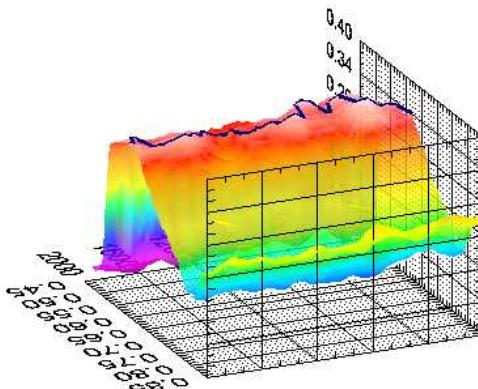
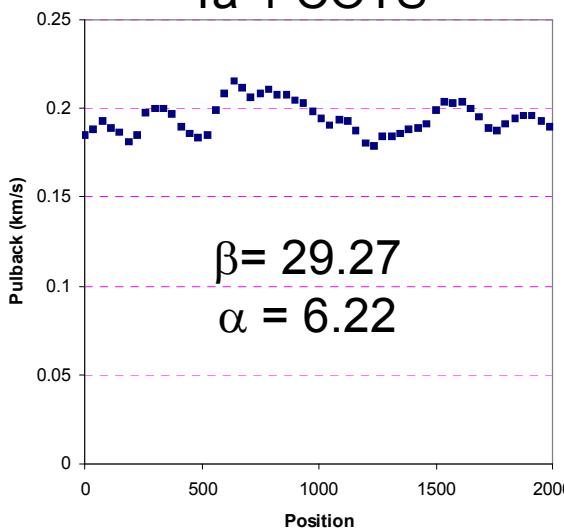


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The following slides are extras in case discussion warrants

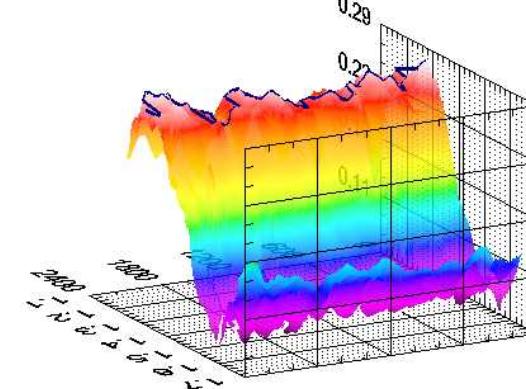
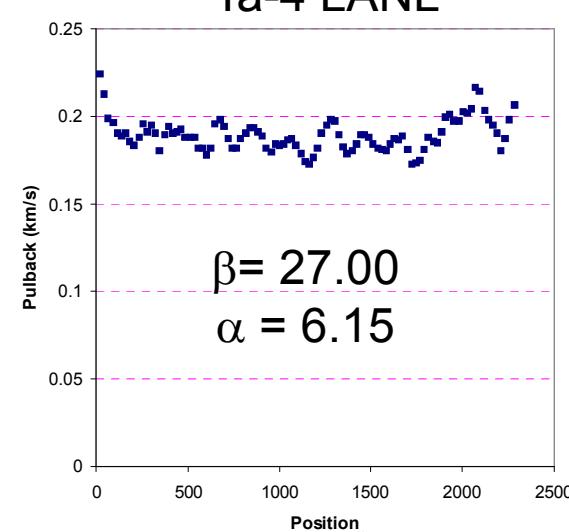
# Similar samples will occasionally show markedly different behaviors, visible with line VISAR

Ta-1 COTS



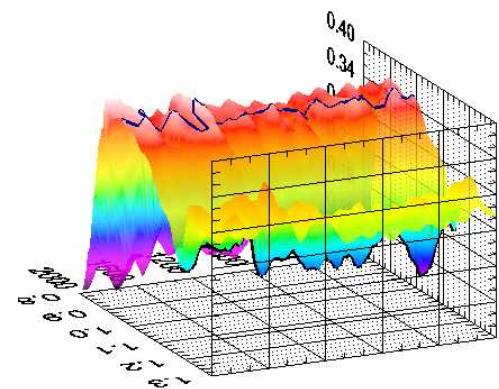
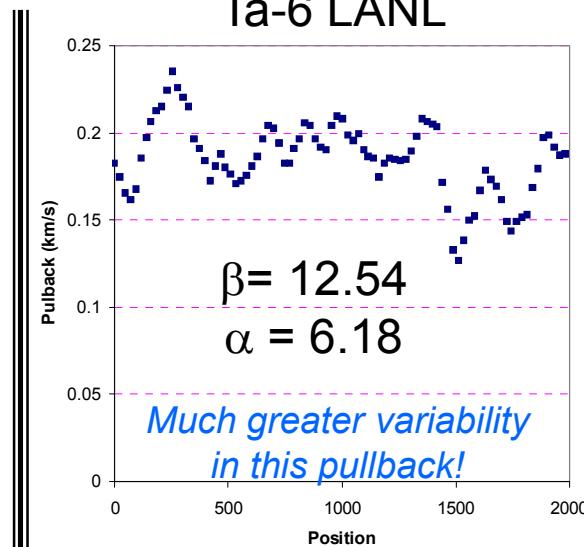
Spall depth: 0.45 mm  
Stress level: 11 GPa

Ta-4 LANL



Spall depth: 0.5 mm  
Stress level: 8 GPa

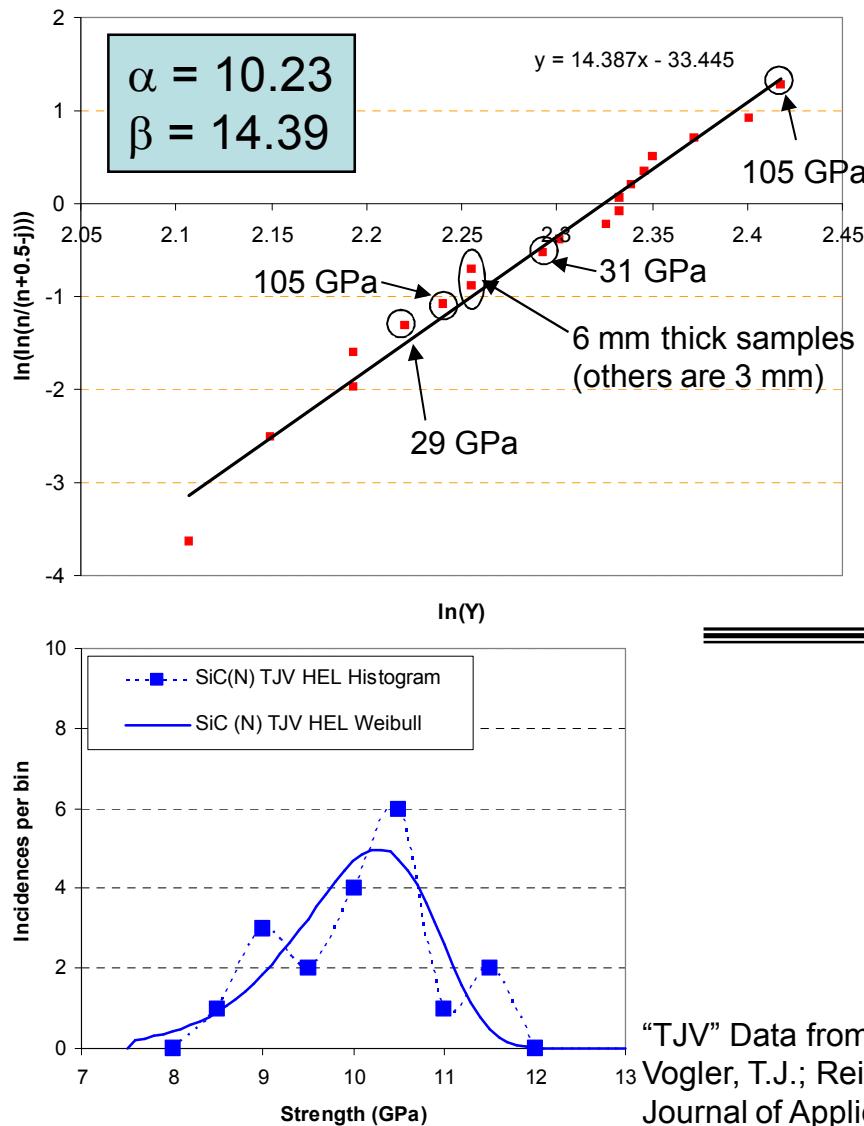
Ta-6 LANL



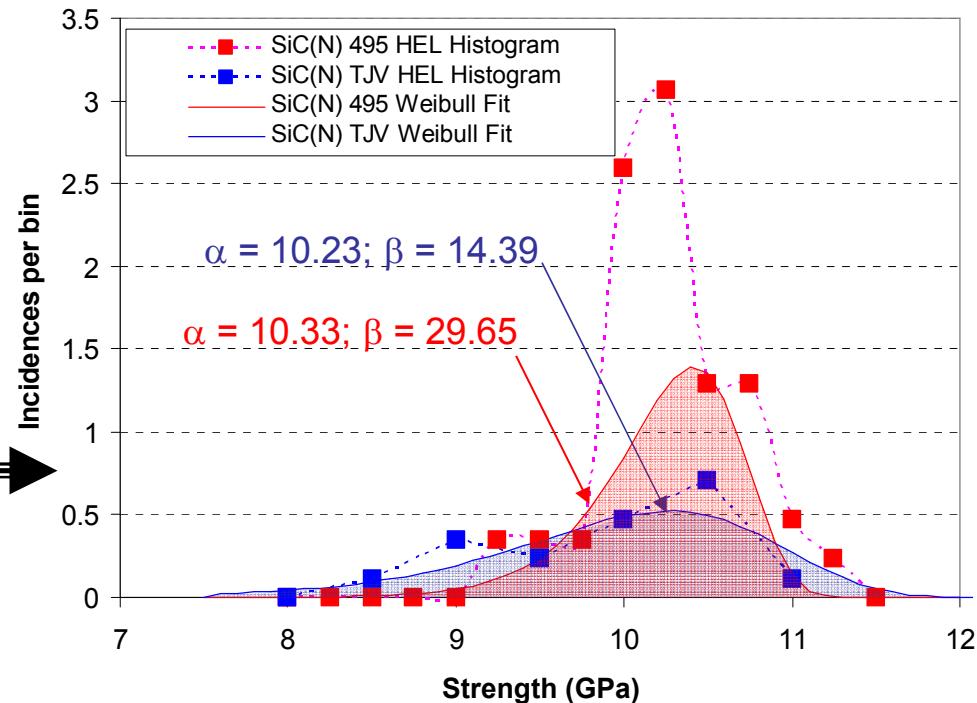
Spall depth: 0.53 mm  
Stress level: 11 GPa

Remember – larger  $\beta$  means less variability in failure level

# Shot-to-shot variability of the HEL of SiC is *slightly* larger than that obtained on a single line VISAR shot



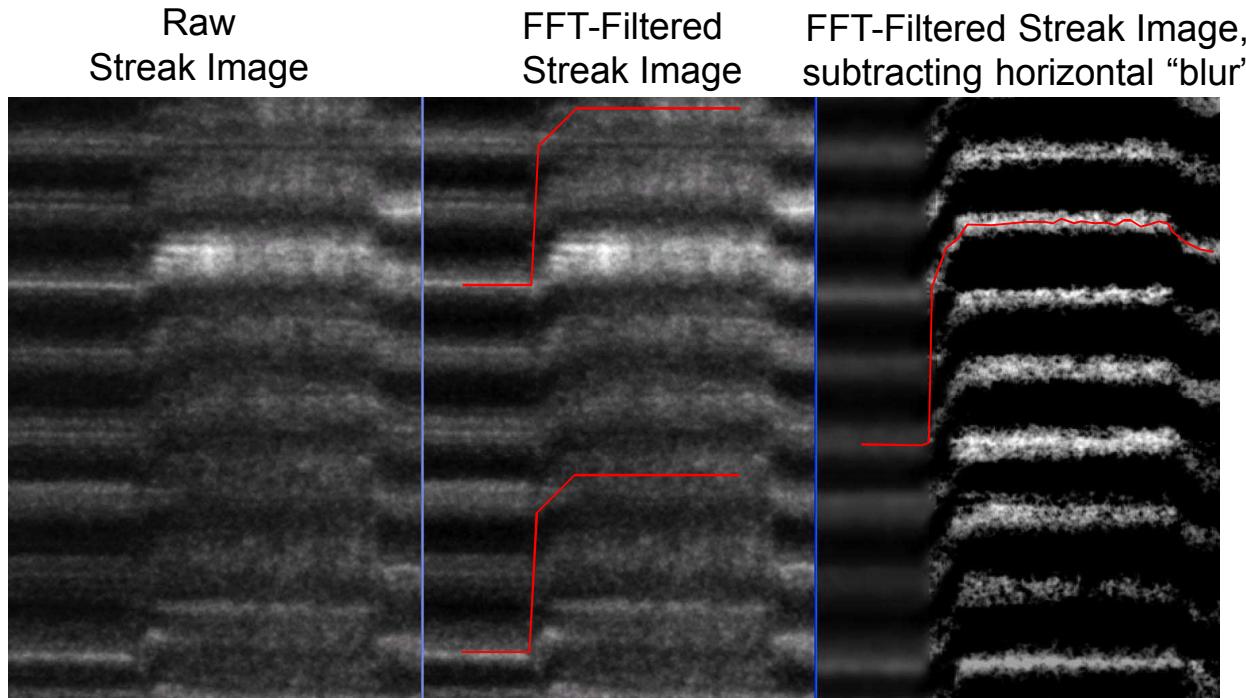
Red symbols from line VISAR on one shot  
 Blue symbols are from point VISAR on a series



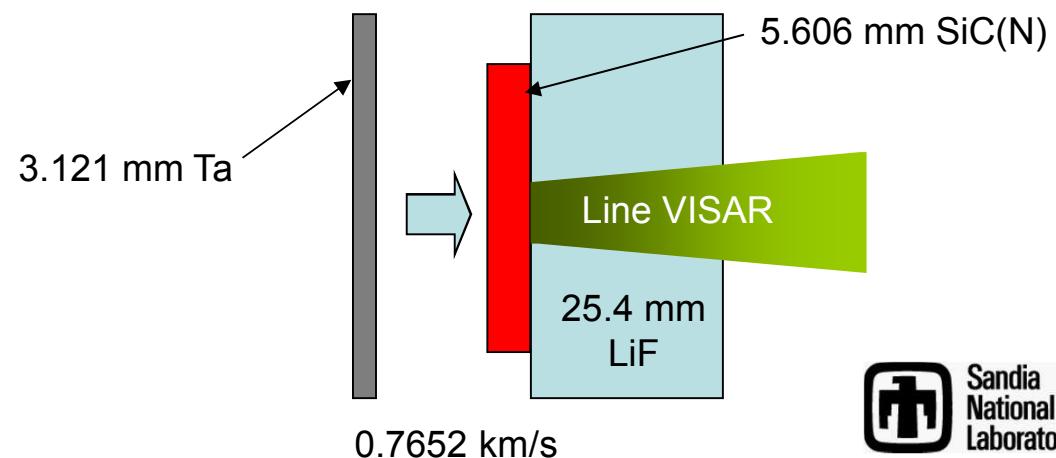
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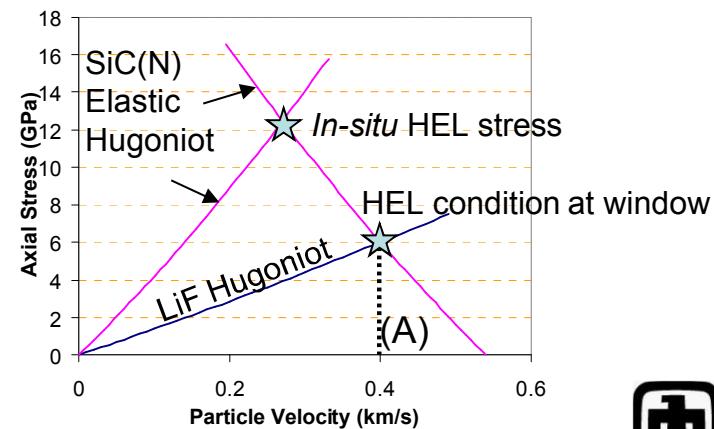
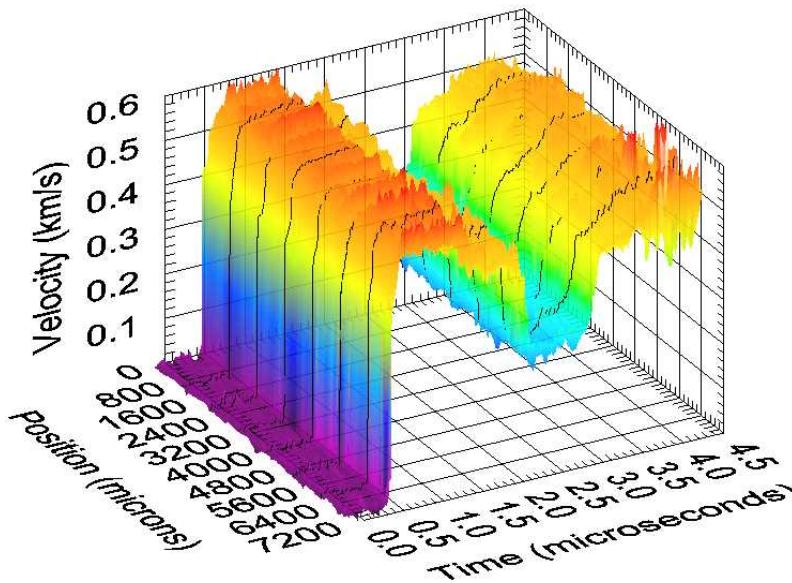
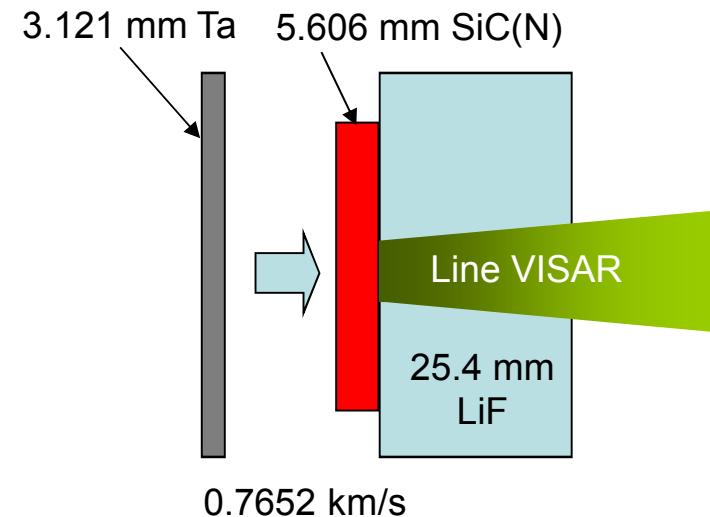
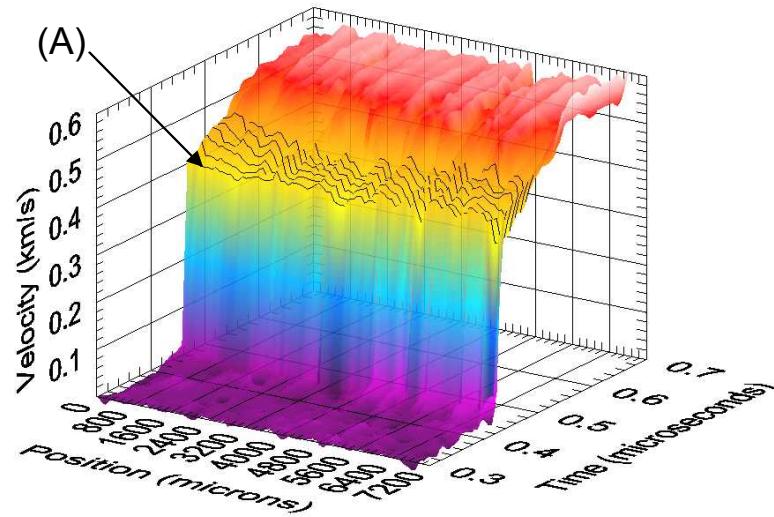
# Yielding at the SiC HEL was apparent in one experiment



Cercom SiC(N):  
Grain size =  $4 \mu\text{m}$   
6H polytype (hexagonal)  
 $\rho_0 = 3.227 \text{ gm/cm}^3$  nominal



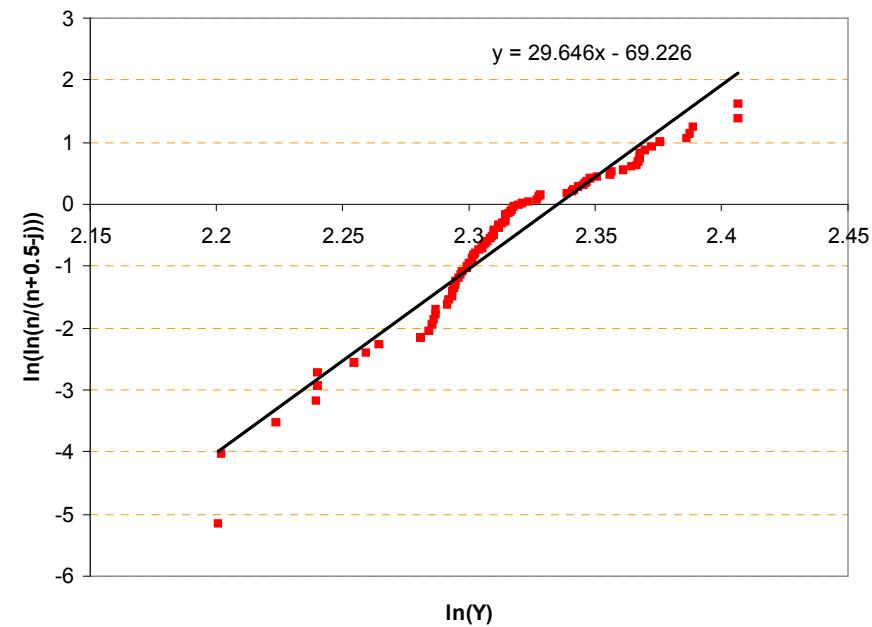
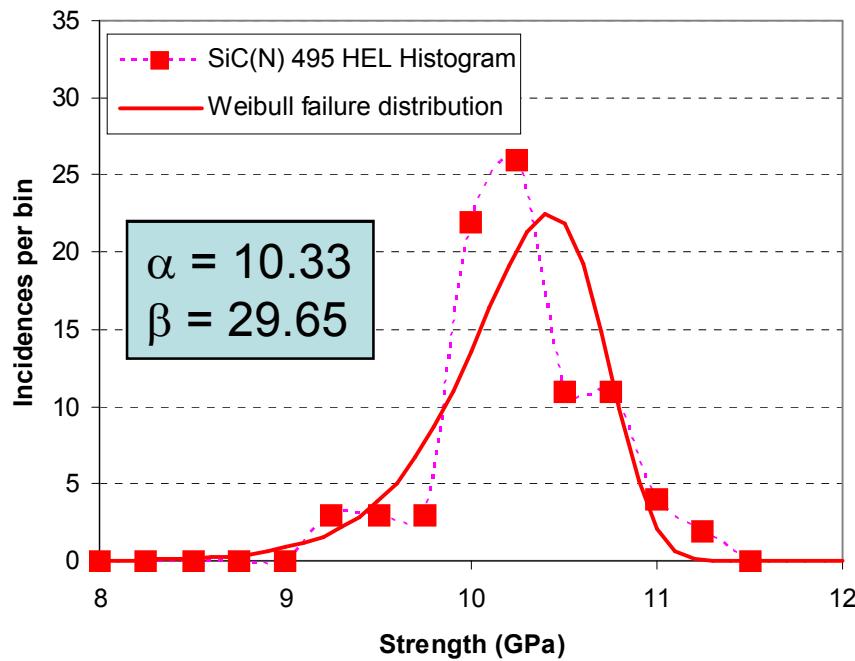
# The HEL of SiC and its variability may be defined in this single experiment



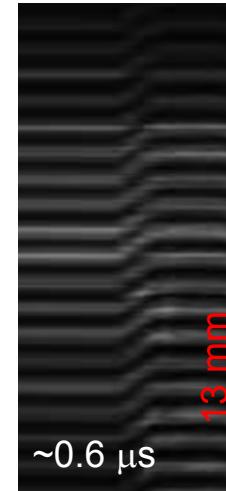
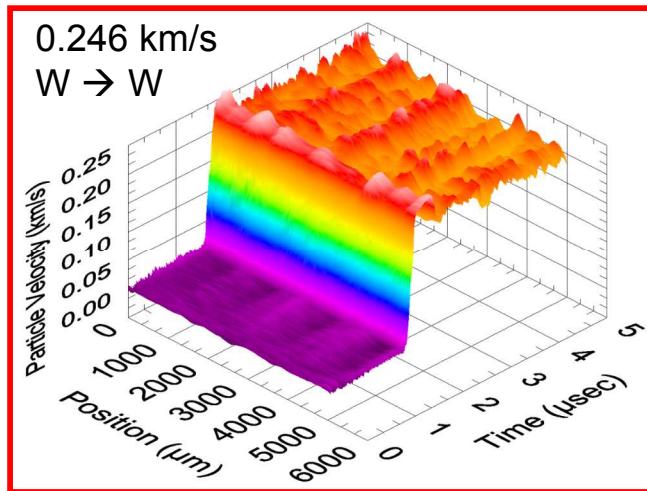


# Variability of the HEL of SiC on this shot may be summarized by Weibull statistics

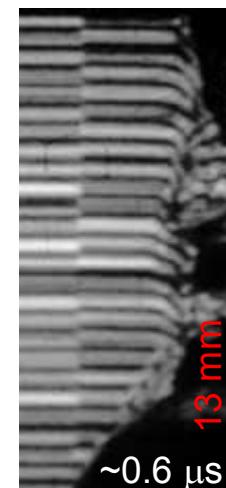
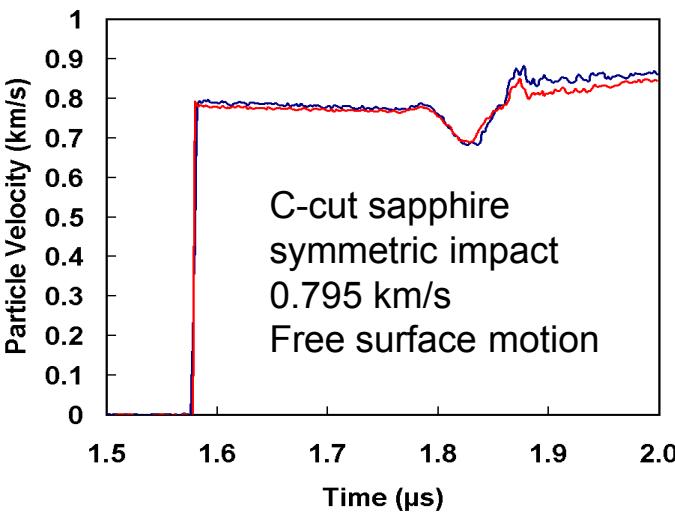
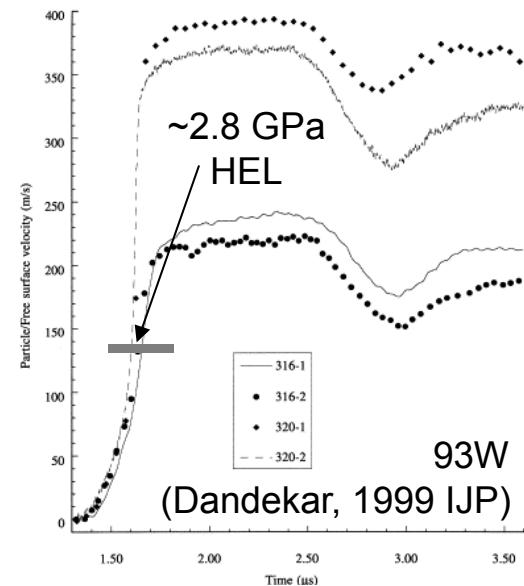
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# HEL variability information was not obtained for tungsten or sapphire



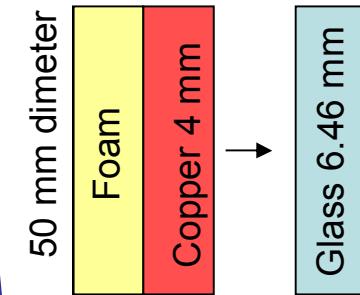
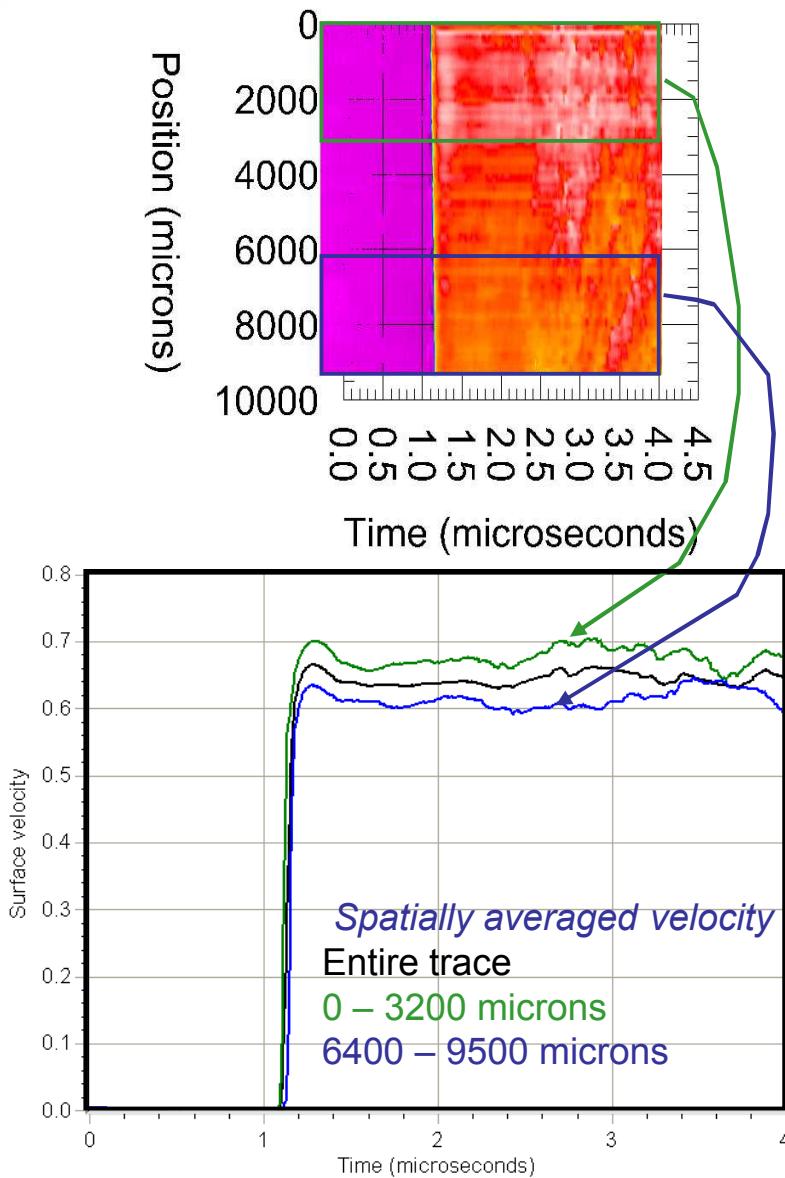
WHA tungsten  $\sim 9$  GPa yielded dispersed front with no distinct 2-wave loading



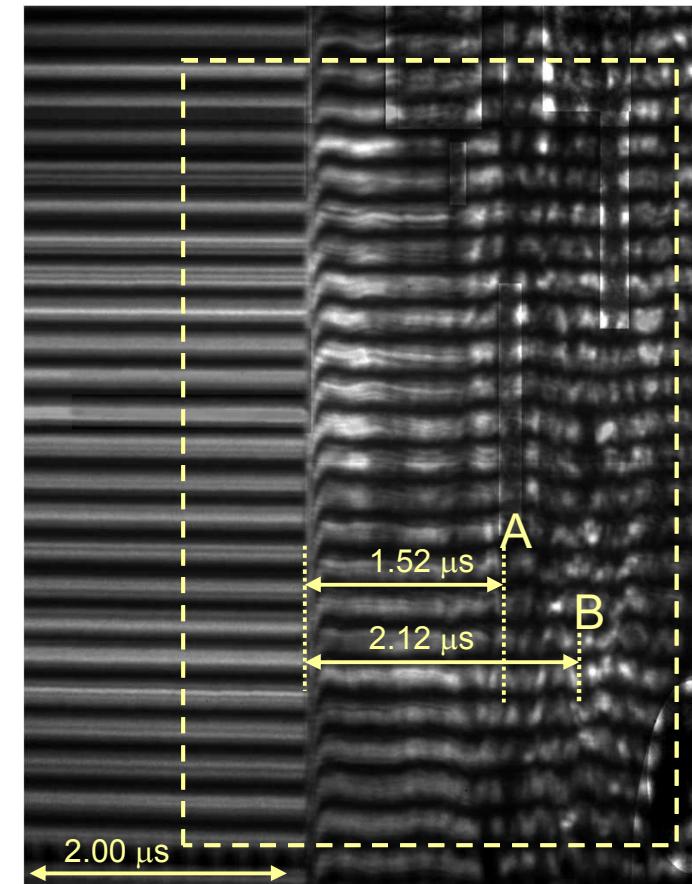
C-cut sapphire loaded to 18 GPa displayed no yielding



## HEL data were not obtained for starphire glass either



Impact velocity: 0.5117 km/s  
Stress: ~5.2 GPa?



HEL data for this system are difficult to obtain (cf C.S. Alexander, B2.6)

# Spall strength distributions vary according to material, stress level, waveform, and possibly other factors

