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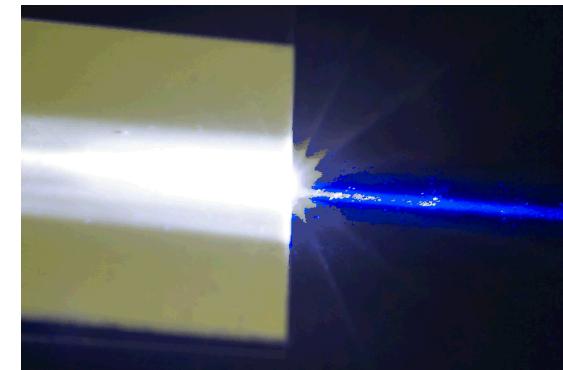


Sandia Laser Applications: Some of these are not like the others

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Outline

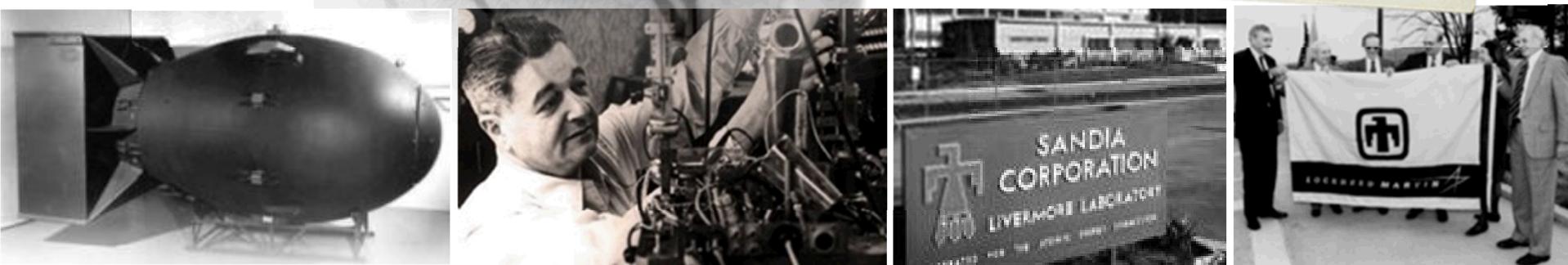
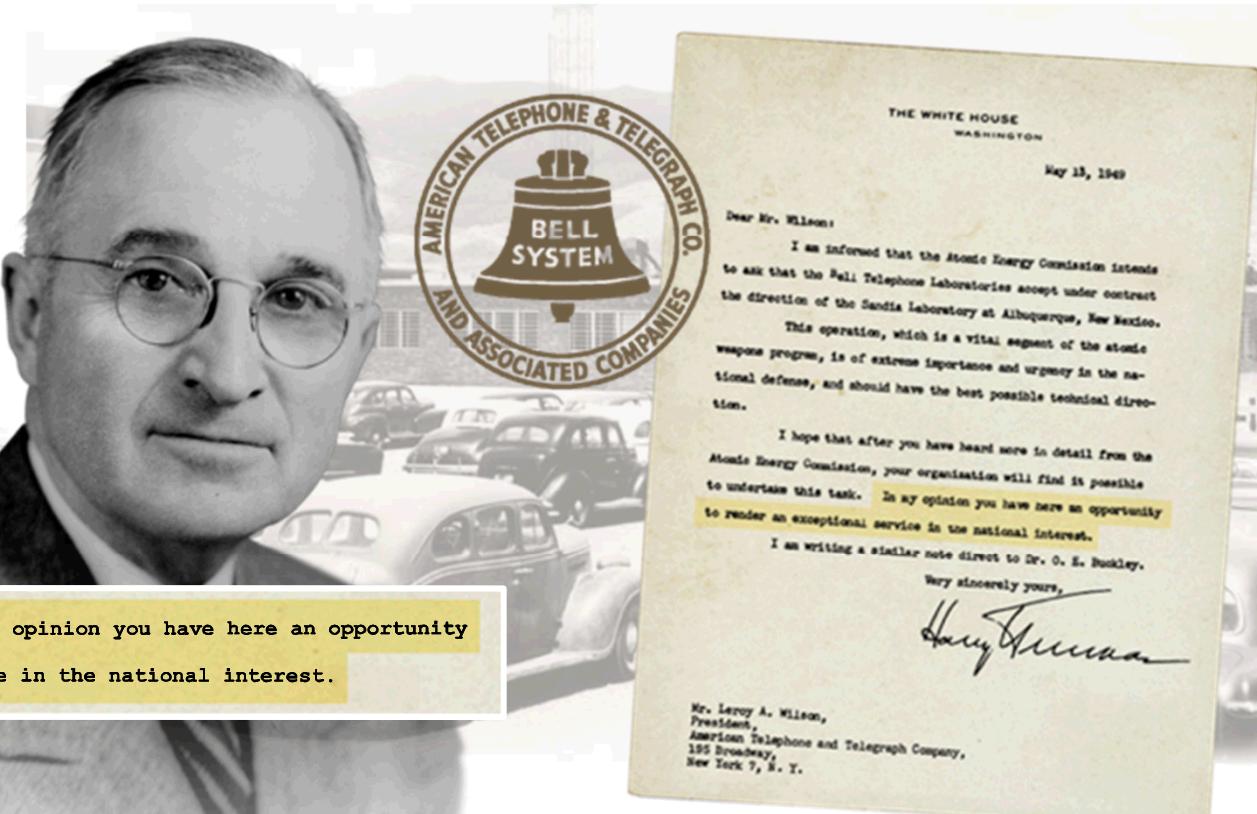
- What is Sandia? What do we do?
 - Yesterday, Today
 - Laser Stats at Sandia
 - How we (now) approach safety through Engineered Safety
- Now for the fun part – laser applications
 - Materials analysis – wafer scale
 - (Outdoor) chemical analysis – broad area
 - High Energy Density probing – the big “Z” machine
 - Laser ablation – small area
 - Inertial sensing - Atomic scale force
 - Illumination for the future
 - And more ...if time



Sandia's History

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- July 1945: Los Alamos creates Z Division
- Nonnuclear component engineering
- November 1, 1949: Sandia Laboratory established



Sandia Sites

Albuquerque, New Mexico



Livermore, California



Kauai, Hawaii



*Waste Isolation Pilot Plant,
Carlsbad, New Mexico*

*Pantex Plant,
Amarillo, Texas*



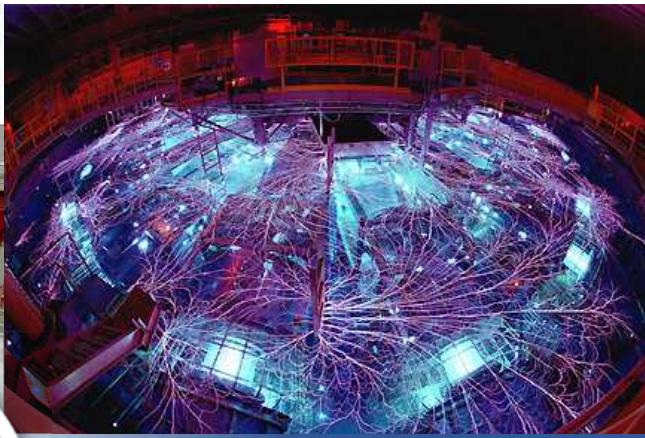
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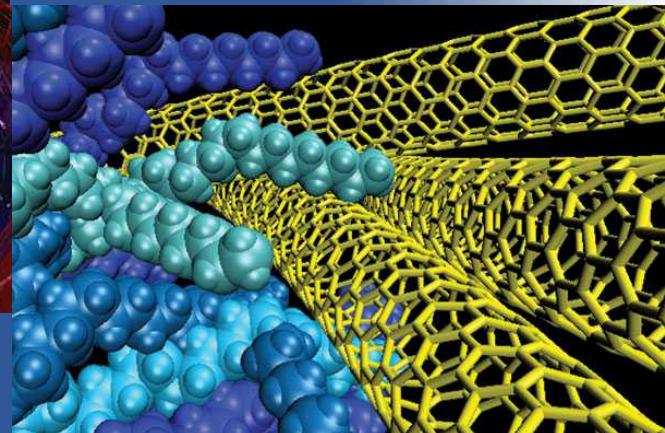
Our Research Framework

Strong research foundations play a differentiating role in our mission delivery

Computing & Information Sciences

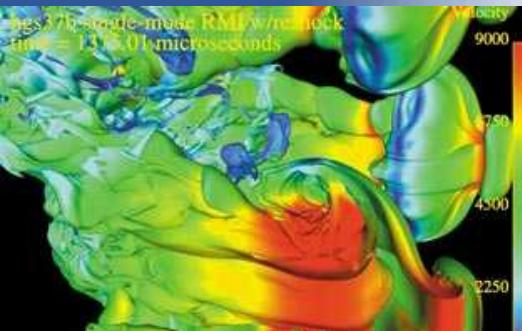


Materials Sciences



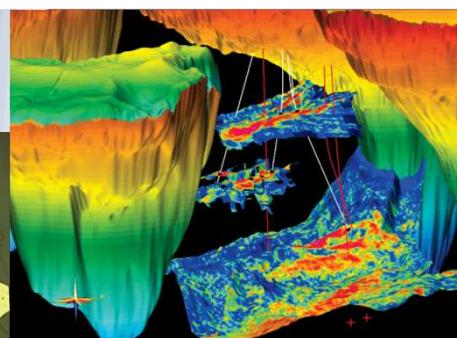
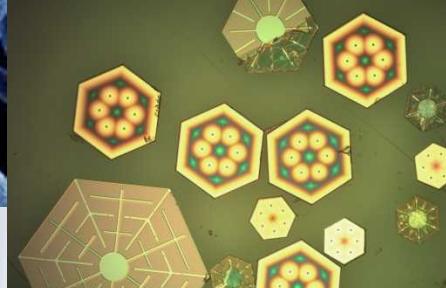
Radiation Effects & High Energy Density Science

Engineering Sciences



Bioscience

Nanodevices & Microsystems



Geoscience

Sandia Addresses National Security Challenges

1950s

Nuclear weapons



1960s

Development engineering



1970s

Multiprogram laboratory



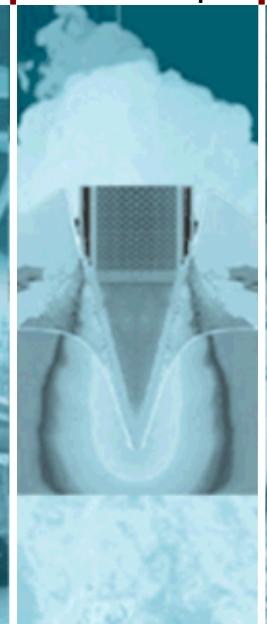
1980s

Missile defense work



1990s

Post-Cold War transition



2000s

START
Post 9/11

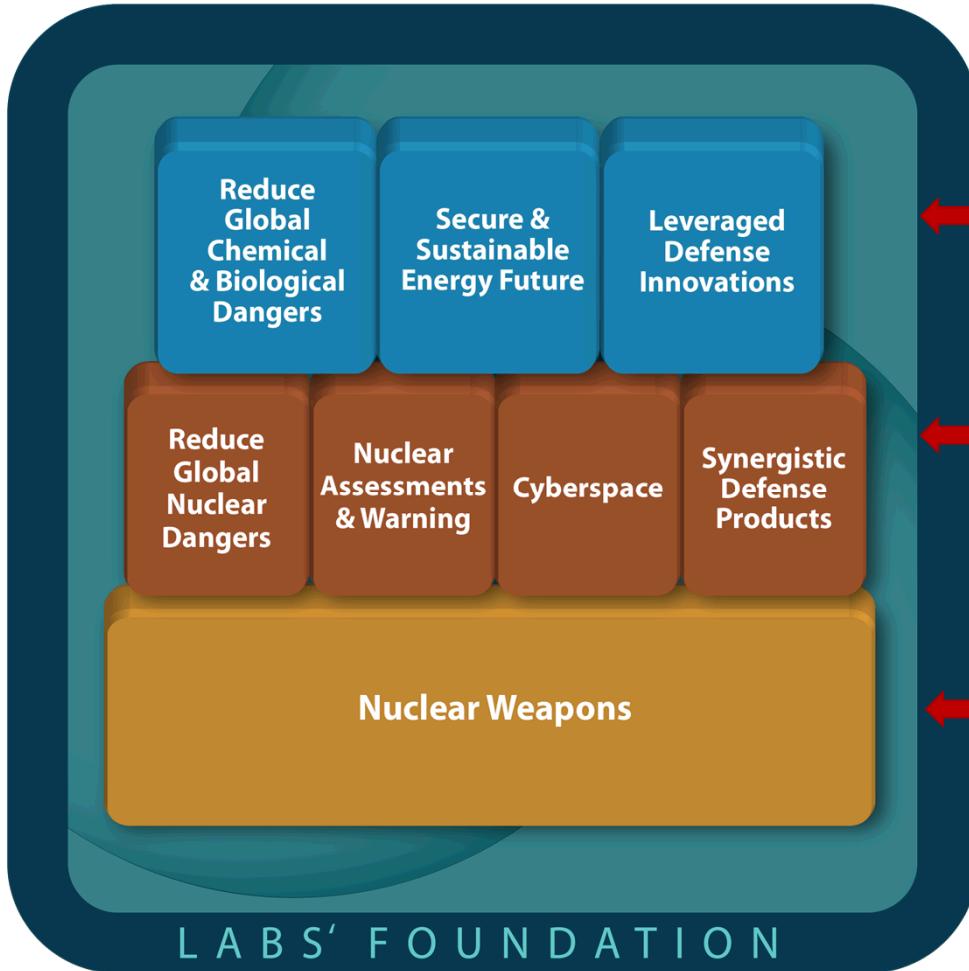


2010s

LEPs
Cyber, biosecurity
proliferation



National Security Mission Areas

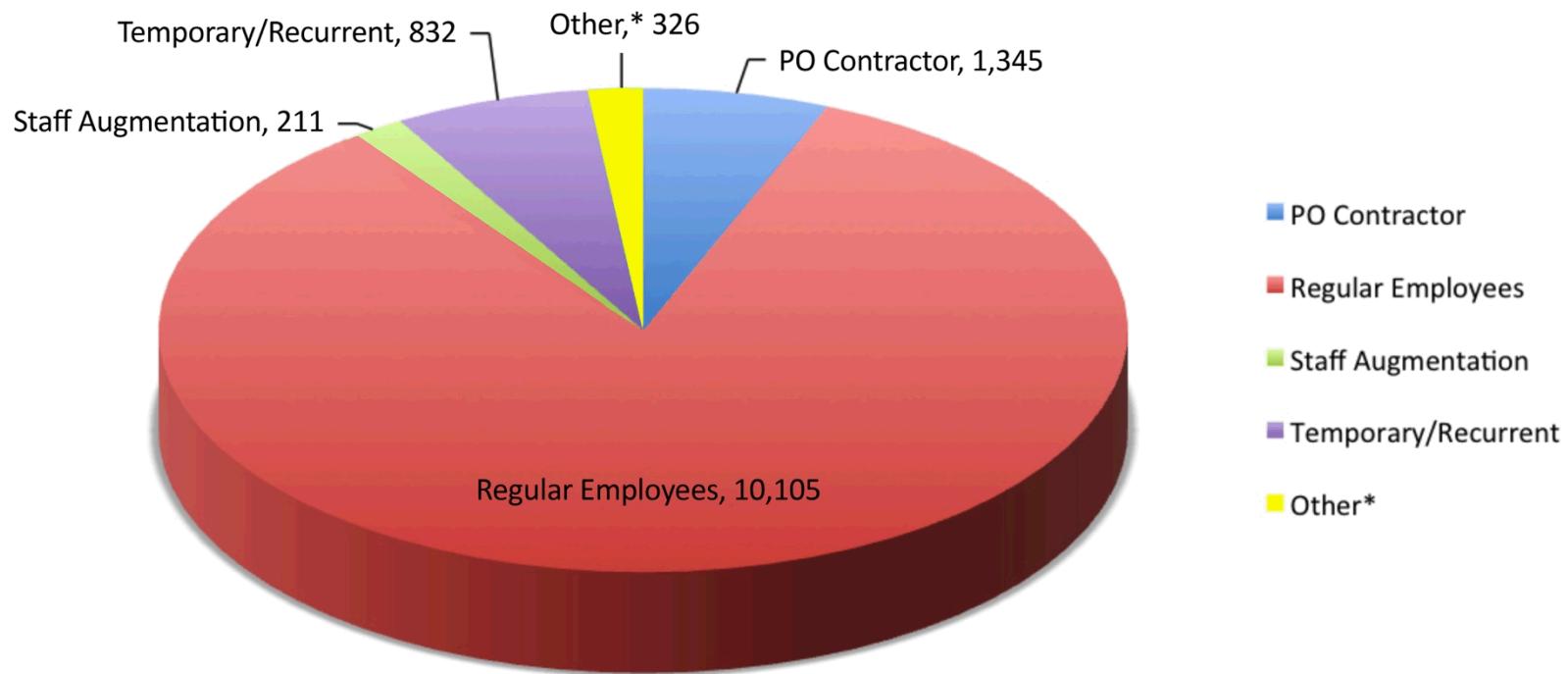


- Top row: Critical to our national security, these three mission areas leverage, enhance, and advance our capabilities.
- Middle row: Strongly interdependent with NW, these four mission areas are essential to sustaining Sandia's ability to fulfill its NW core mission.
- Bottom row: Our core mission, nuclear weapons (NW), is enabled by a strong scientific and engineering foundation.

Our Workforce

- Total Sandia workforce: 12,819
- Regular employees: 10,105
- Advanced degrees: 6,054 (59%)

Data as of January 16, 2015



* Other badged personnel

Sandia Laser Stats (CY 2014)

- Inventory
 - NM – 1075
 - CA – 331
- Types
 - Enclosed indoor systems all the way to outdoor
 - UV, Visible, IR, White Light
- Laser Control Areas (Class 3B or 4 operations)
 - NM -170
 - CA – 27
- Safety Officers
 - 1 Corporate LSO
 - 26 Deputy LSOs
- Regulatory Driver from DOE is 10 CFR 851
 - “Worker Safety and Health Program”



Overarching Criteria**Safe by Design Intent**Understand
Technical BasisIdentify and Control
Energy SourcesDefine Unacceptable
Consequences

Risk Assessment Approach

Positive Verification

ISM Core Functions**Define Scope****Analyze Hazards****Control Hazards****Prepare and
Perform Work****Feedback and
Improve**

Identify Work Planner

Detailed Identification
Of HazardsEliminate Single-Point
FailuresComplete Preparations
Document Authorization

Self Assessment

Establish Work
Planning TeamIdentify Safety Themes,
Standards and CodesApply Engineered and
Administrative Controls

- Complete TWDs
- Perform Final JSA
- Team Trained & Qualified
- Perform Readiness

Lessons Learned

Identify Hazards and
Authorization BasesPerform Failure Mode
AnalysesDevelop and Document
Safety Case

Perform Work

Corrective Actions

Evaluate Key Factors
Document AnalysisManagement
Surveillance**Decision Points**Line Decision
Scope of WorkLine Decision
Safety CaseLine Decision
Authorize Work

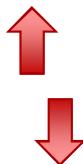
Sandia Engineered Safety – 5 Q's

- Who is the decision maker?
- What are the unacceptable consequences?
- How can the safety system fail?
- What are the safety system controls?
 - Administrative
 - Engineering
- How do we know the safety system works?



Purpose of Engineered Safety

- Evidence critical thinking
- 5 Questions lead to...
 - FMEA
 - Mitigation
 - Engineered Ctrl
 - Administrative Ctrl

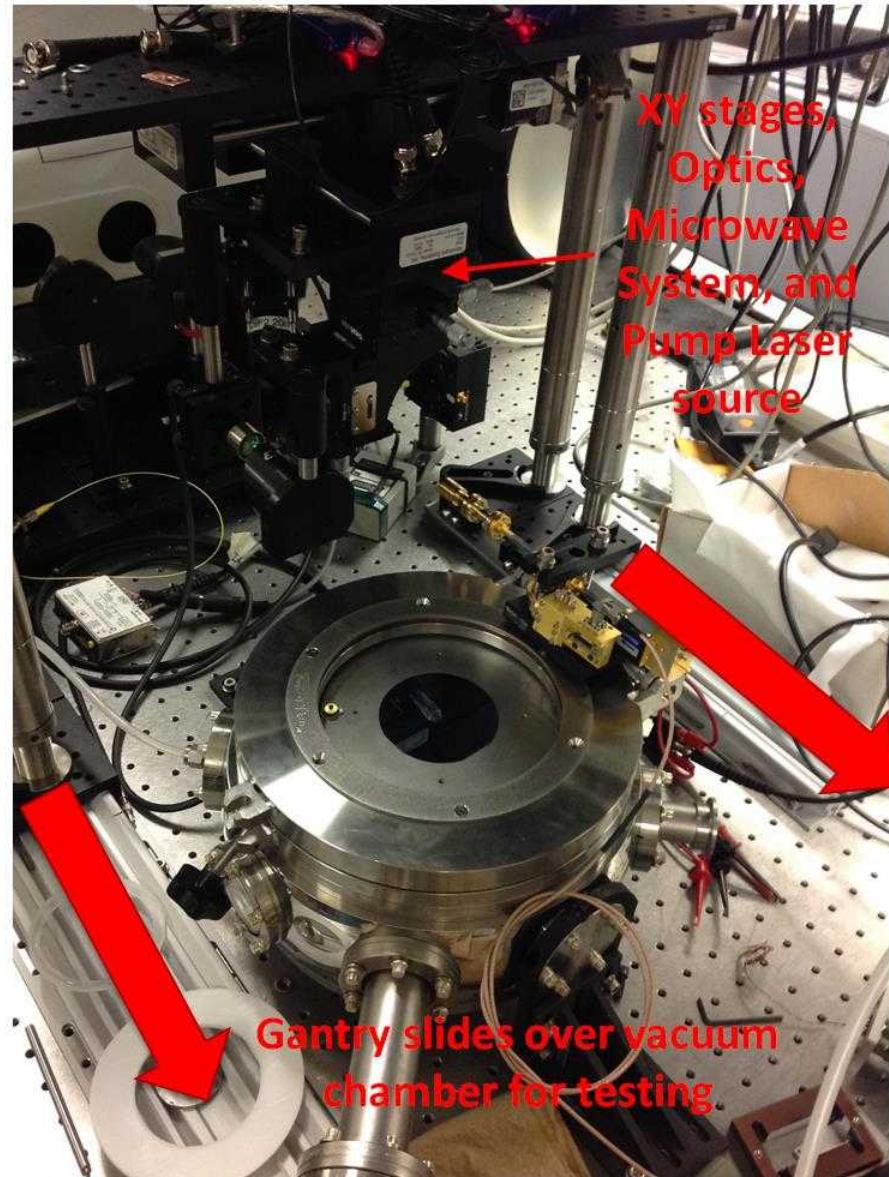
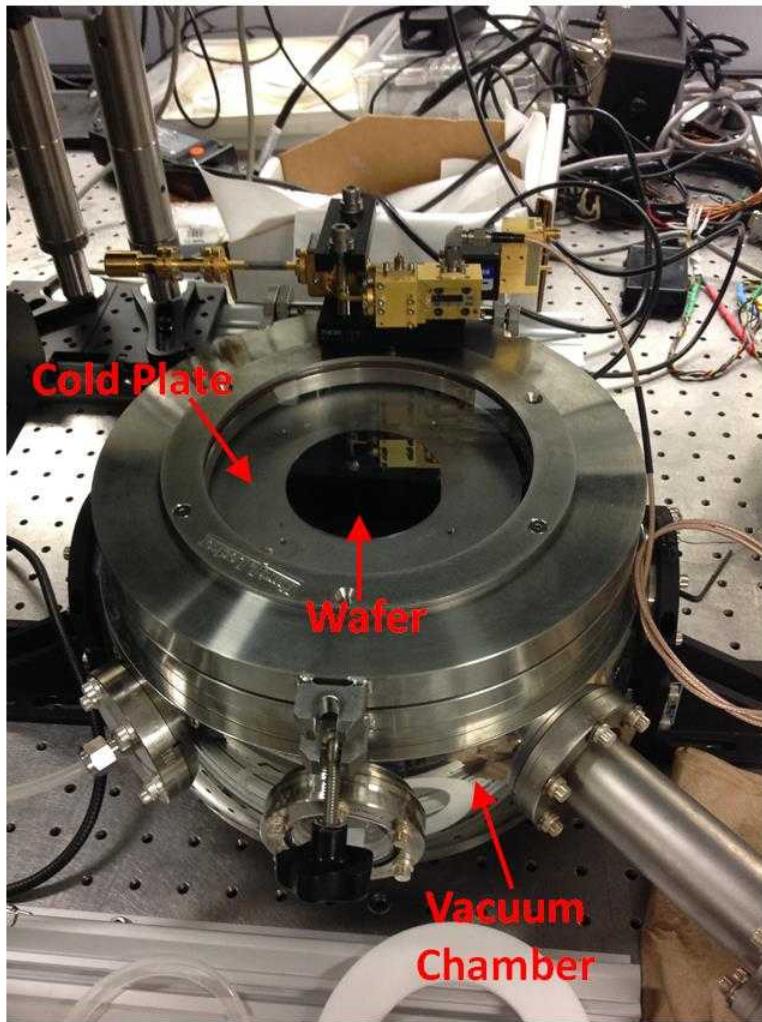


- What is it good for?
 - Training for new personnel
 - Handy quick reference for experienced ones
 - Record of “why” decisions
 - Baseline for continuous improvement
 - NB: Not static



“Oh, it was just like any other day at work.
Except for the part where I sneezed
by the paper shredder.”

TMR Wafer Mapper

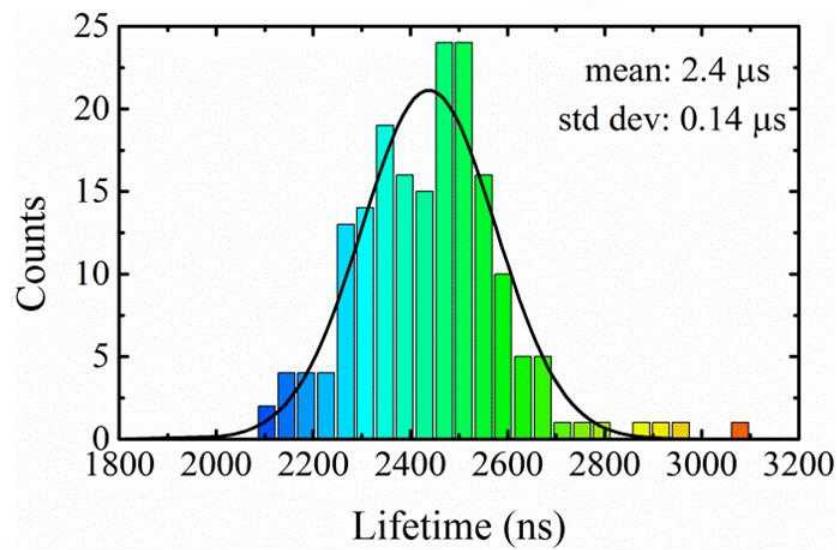


Lifetime Wafer Mapping

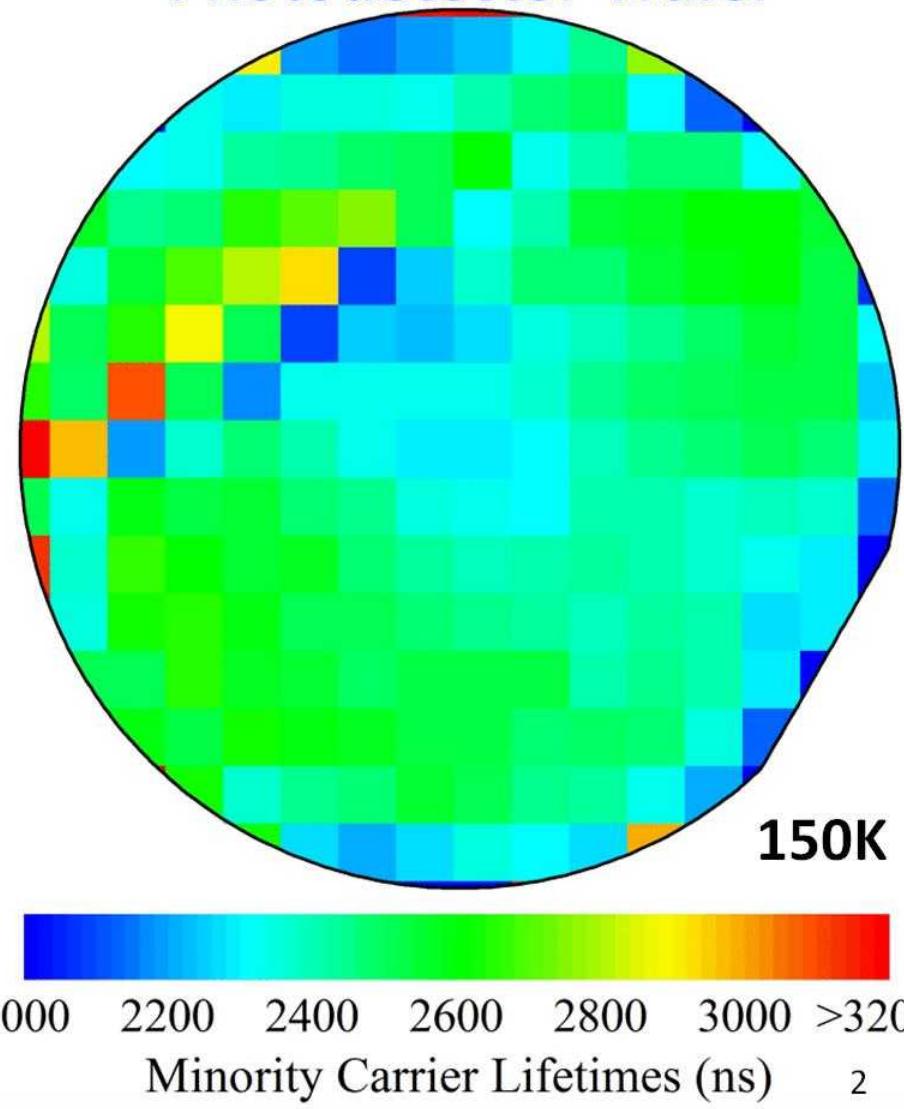
3in MWIR

- Non-Destructive
- Non-Contact
- Provides wafer diagnostics before fabrication
- Detector dark current depends on the carrier lifetime!

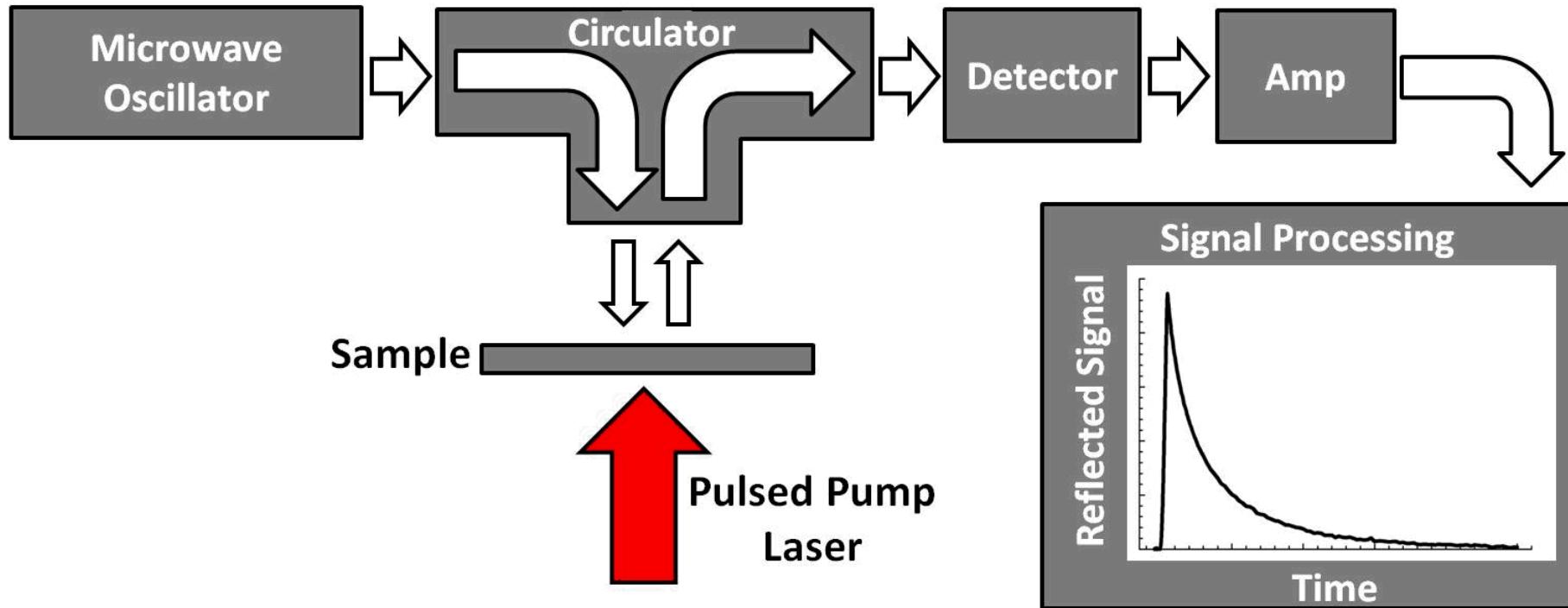
$$J_{Diff} = q \frac{n_i^2 L_{abs}}{N_d \tau_{MC}}$$



Photodetector Wafer



Time-Resolved Microwave Reflectance (TMR)



- Pump Pulse excites charge carriers in IR absorber layer, altering the conductivity of the sample
- Microwaves reflected from sample surface detect this change and monitor their decay back to equilibrium (i.e. the carrier lifetime)
- Approximate 10 ns time resolution, fast acquisition/high throughput, and extremely sensitive

Carrier Lifetimes

Recombination Mechanisms

Shockley Read

Hall

(defect mitigated)

$$\tau_{SRH}^{-1} \propto \text{const}$$

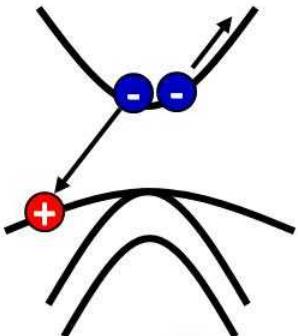
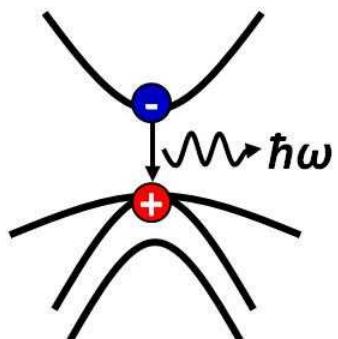
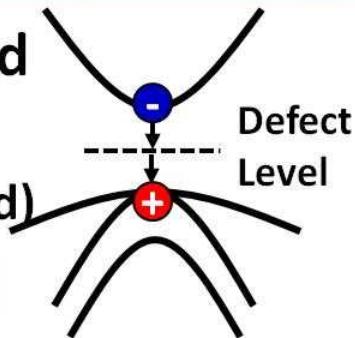
Radiative
(intrinsic)

$$\tau_{rad}^{-1} \propto \Delta n$$

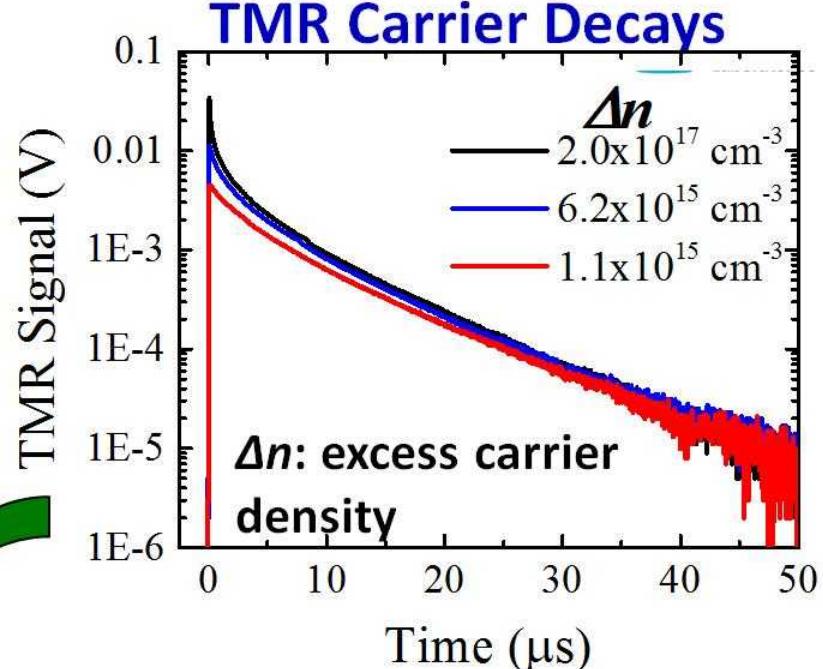
Auger
(intrinsic)

$$\tau_{auger}^{-1} \propto \Delta n^2$$

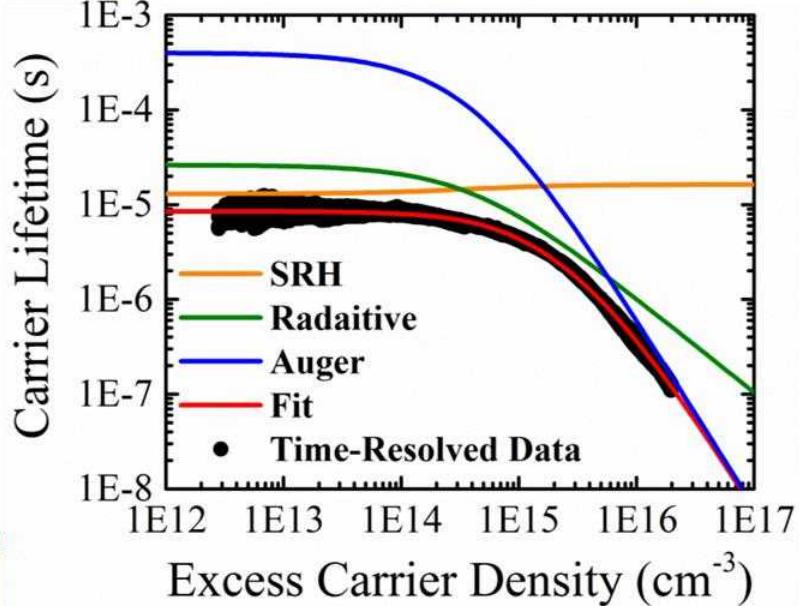
$$\tau_{meas}^{-1} = \tau_{srh}^{-1} + \tau_{rad}^{-1} + \tau_{auger}^{-1}$$



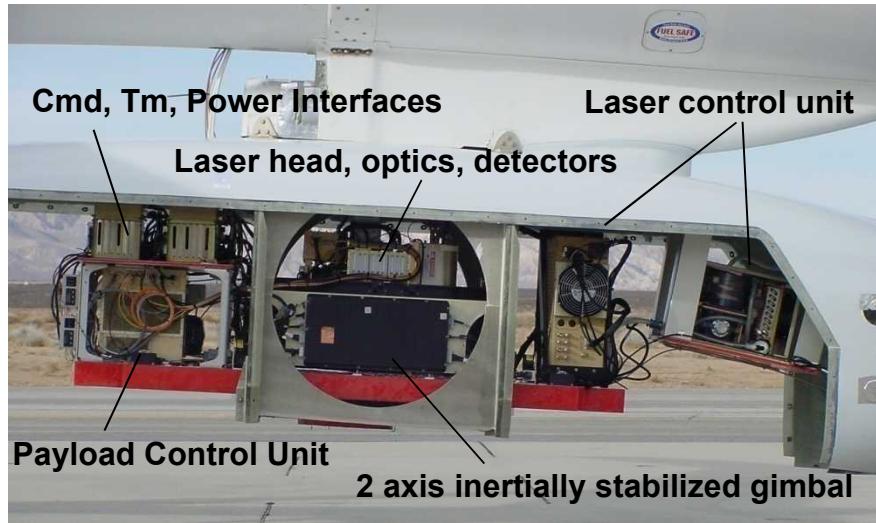
Data
Transform



Instantaneous Lifetime



LRS: Aura - Airborne UV LIF lidar System



- **Mission applications**

- WMD proliferation
- Support to military operations: Standoff detection of biological weapons agents(BWA)
- Bomb damage assessment: BWA production and storage

- **Airborne requirements drive system design**

- Compact integrated system
- Payload Requirements:
 - Weight, power, volume efficient
(~ 400 pounds, 2000 watts, 20 ft³)
 - Hands-off operation
 - Ruggedized components
- designed for Predator-class UAV
- flown on Proteus and Egrett aircraft

- **Major AURA components**

- 12 watt UV laser
- 30 cm composite telescope
- GPS aided Inertial Navigation and Pointing with automated target acquisition and tracking
- Laser, optics, & detectors on pointing gimbal
- Real-time onboard processing

LRS: Ares & B70 – mobile LIDAR systems

Develop and field test LIDAR systems

B70: lidar laboratory on wheels

Ares: bio-aerosol standoff detection system in a van

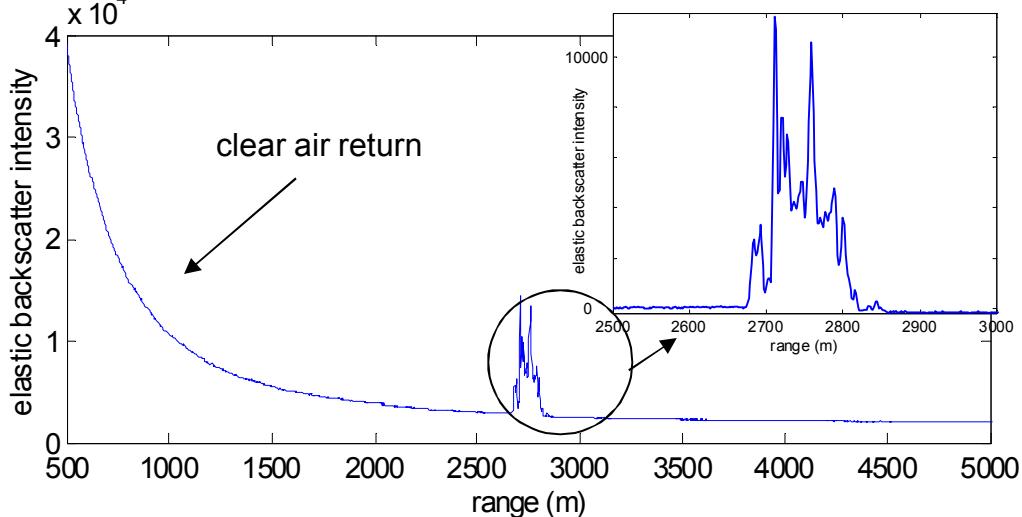


Target phenomenology,
signatures, and cross
sections

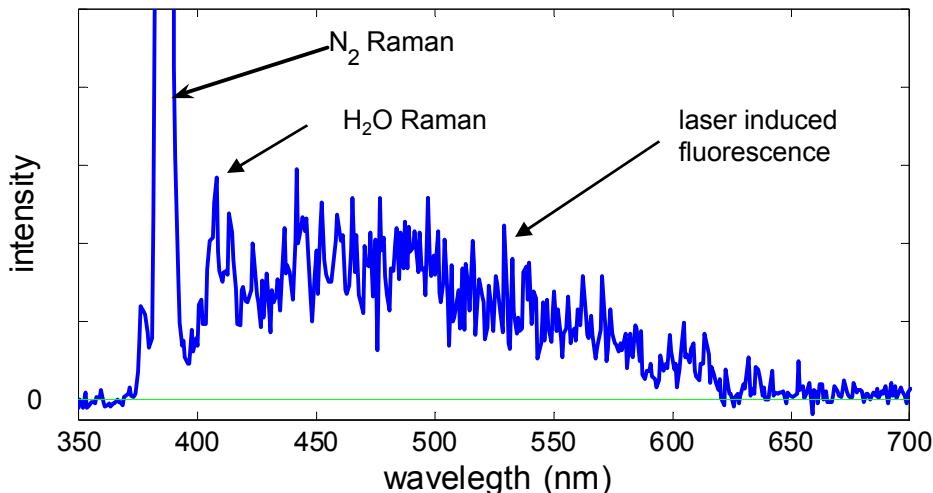
- UV LIF signatures of bio materials and interferrants
- fluorescence and backscatter cross sections
- methods for measuring BWA cross sections

Wavelength-resolved fluorescence and elastic backscatter provide complementary information about the target

Elastic Backscatter



wavelength-resolved fluorescence



- Elastic backscatter at 355 nm used to detect aerosol clouds
- Algorithms determine the location and size of clouds



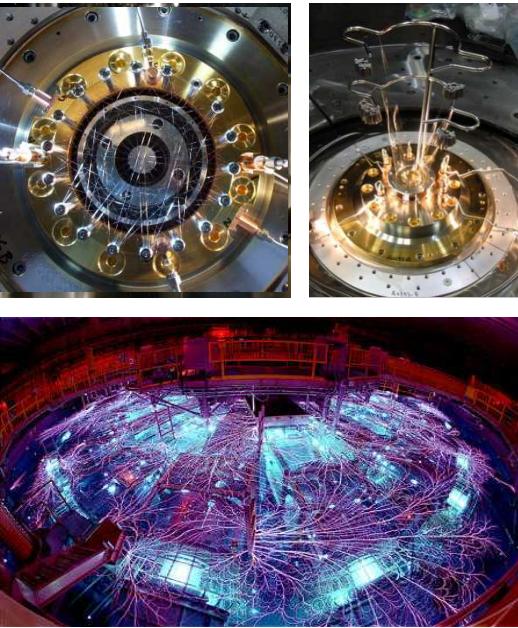
- This cloud was identified as BG with high confidence after comparison to database spectra
- Test log confirms BG + kaolin release

LRS: Tailored Application Platforms



High Energy Density Science

Breakout Session #2



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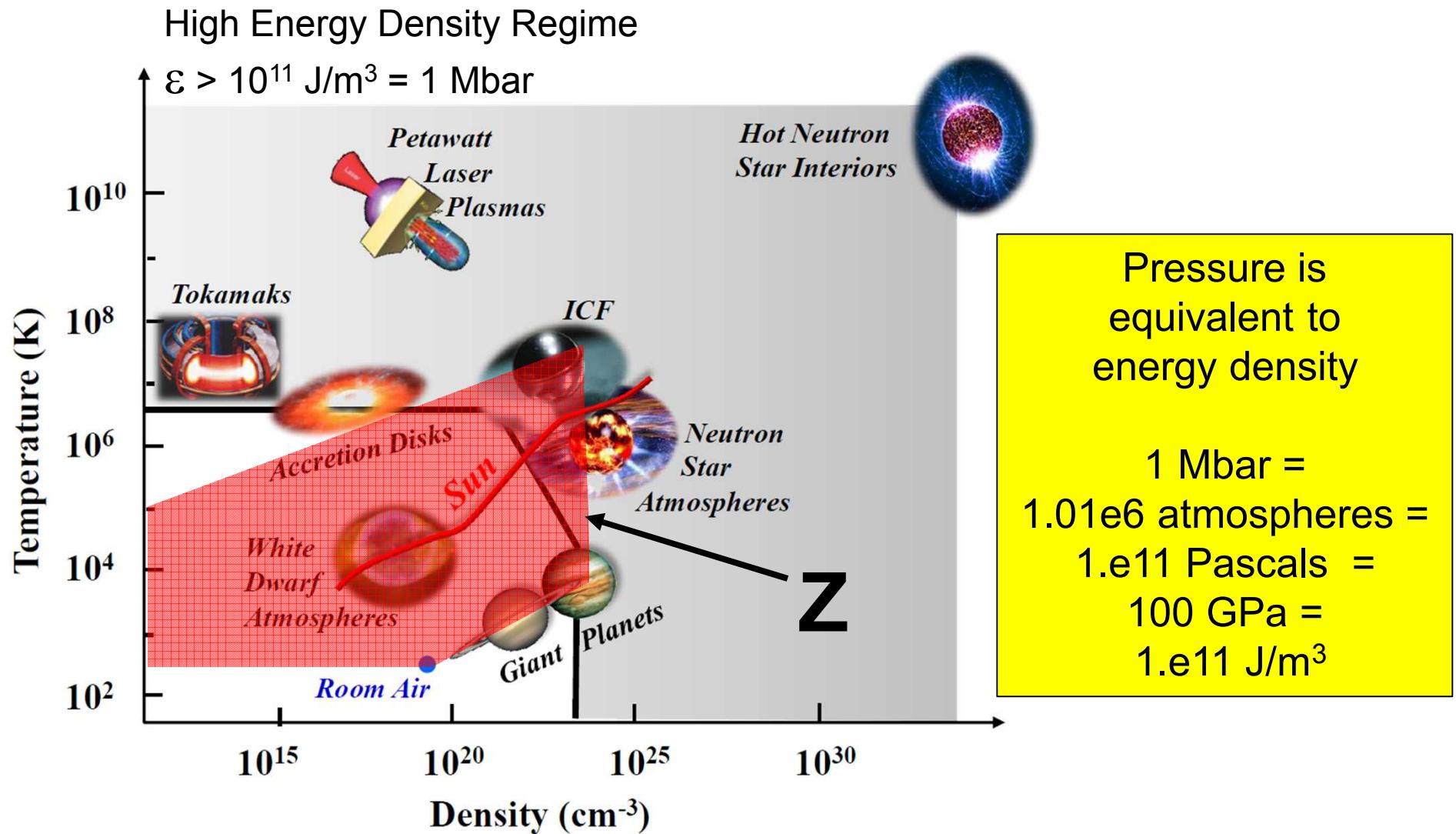
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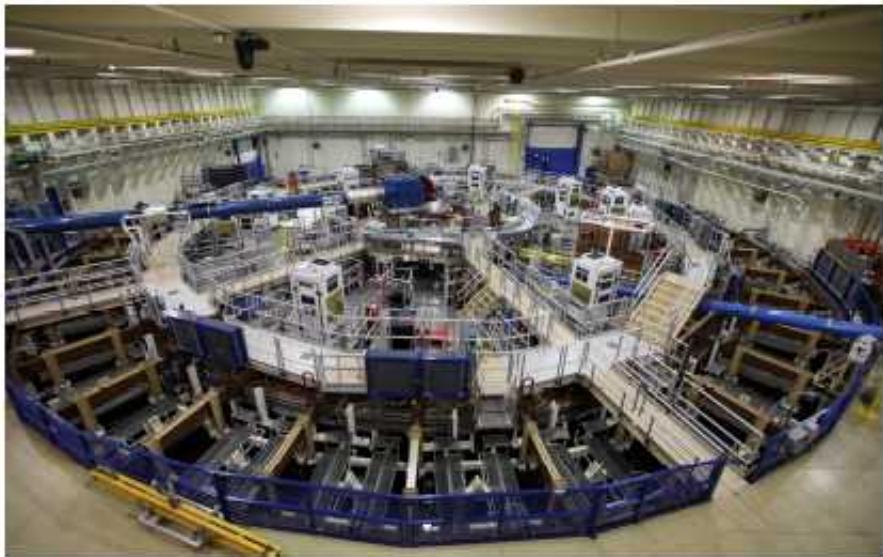
High energy density is defined, somewhat arbitrarily, as a pressure of 1 Mbar



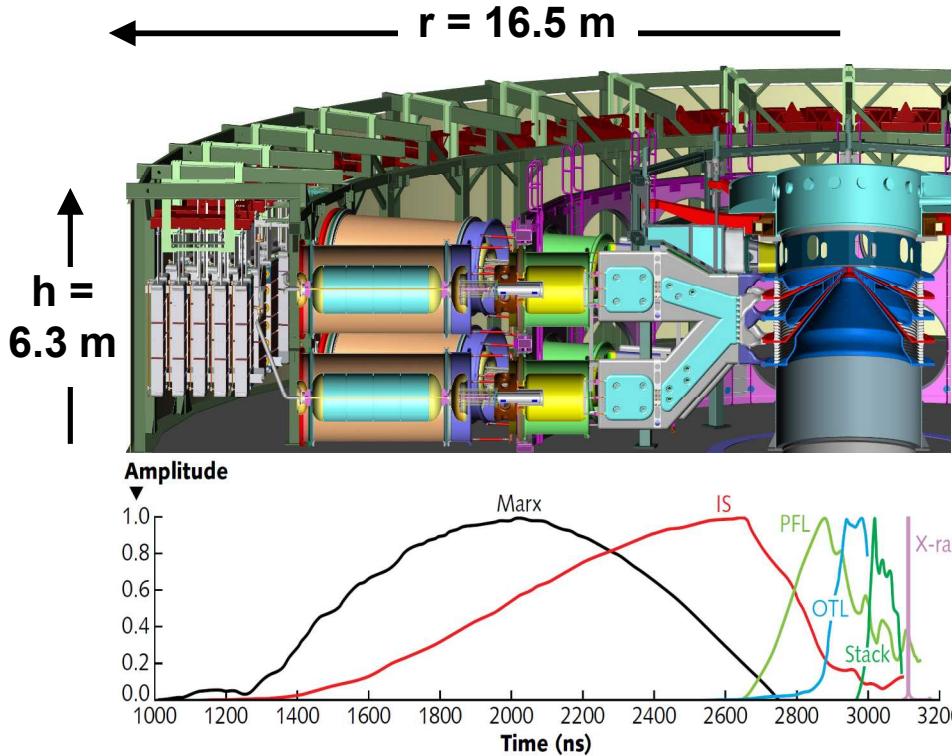
What are our most important near-term and long-term missions?

- Near term and long-term: stewarding, certifying the stockpile in the absence of Underground Tests (UGT)
 - Certify that the non-nuclear components (e.g. arming, firing, fuzing) will work as intended even in hostile environments with severe radiation threats
 - Certify that the non-nuclear components and nuclear explosive package (NEP) will work as intended, with material re-use, new processes, new materials
- Long term: fusion ignition for AGT
 - Can we achieve fusion ignition in the laboratory?
 - Can we make this easier to achieve?
 - Can we achieve high fusion yield in the laboratory?
 - What are the requirements? Driver size?

Pulsed-power generators provide an energy-rich platform for high energy density experiments



- 21 MJ stored at 85 kV
- 26 MA into low impedance loads
- 33 m diameter footprint
- Facility refurbished completed in 2007 at a cost of $\sim 4\$/\text{J}$
- Compact $\sim 10,000 \text{ ft}^2$



- High energy density achieved through multiple stages of spatial and temporal pulse compression
- EM energy/volume increased by a factor of $\sim 10^{17}$ down to size of $r=1 \text{ cm}$, $h=1 \text{ cm}$.

Axial Imaging and Thermometry (AXIAT)^{UUR}



Deliverable:

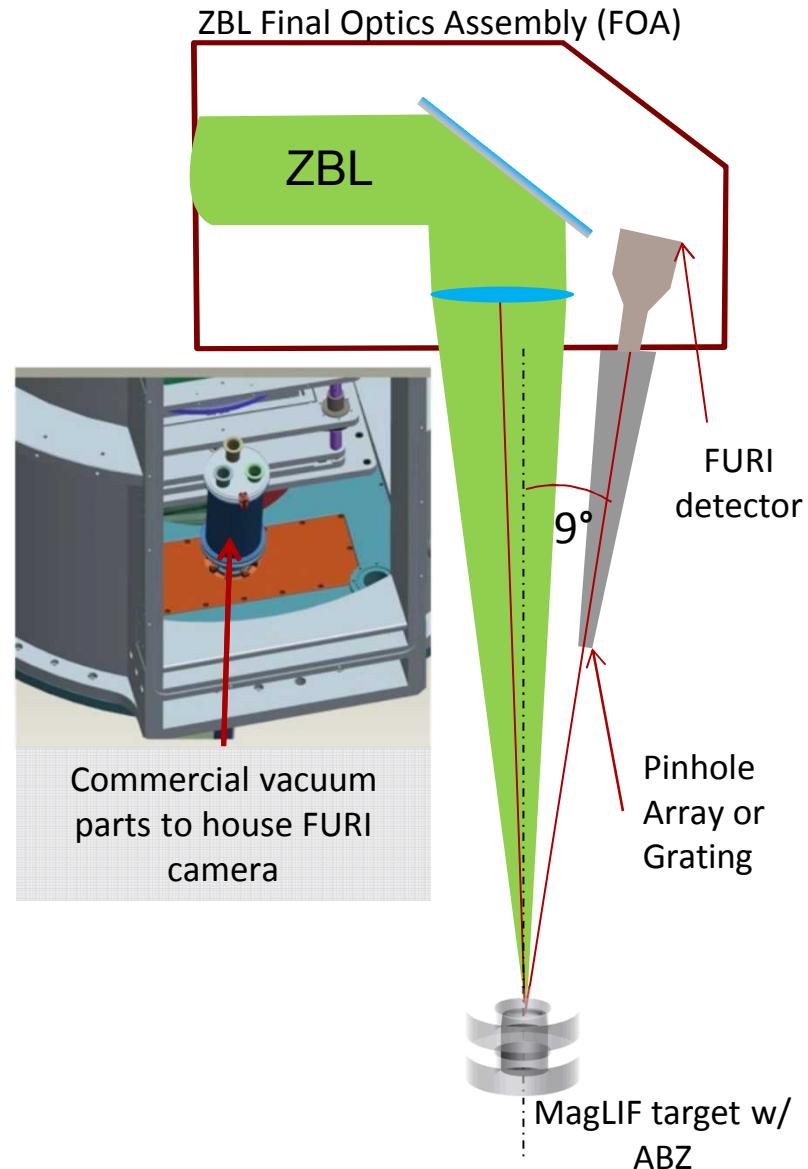
$k_B T_{e,i}(r,z,t)$ during and shortly after laser irradiation

Technique:

Time-gated x-ray emission spectroscopy & pyrometry
of Ne tracer gas

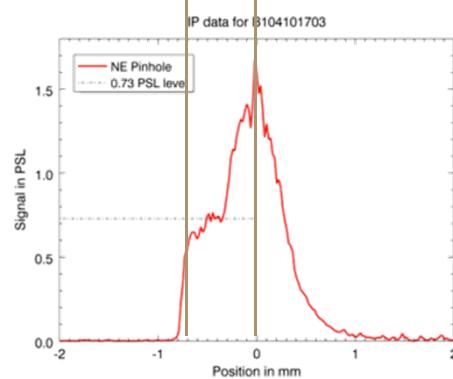
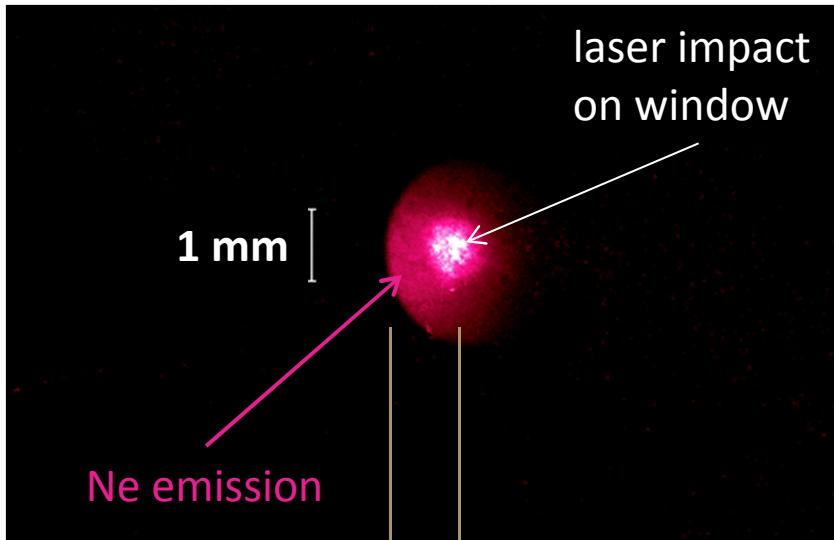
Implementation:

1. Field X-ray pinhole camera in FOA (FURI)
2. Assess temperatures based on Ross-filtered images from 1
3. Field spectrometer in FOA to measure plasma temperature from H- and He-like ion line ratios (FURI)
4. Benchmark detectors with blastwave experiments in PECOS target chamber (FURI, HIPPOGRIFF)

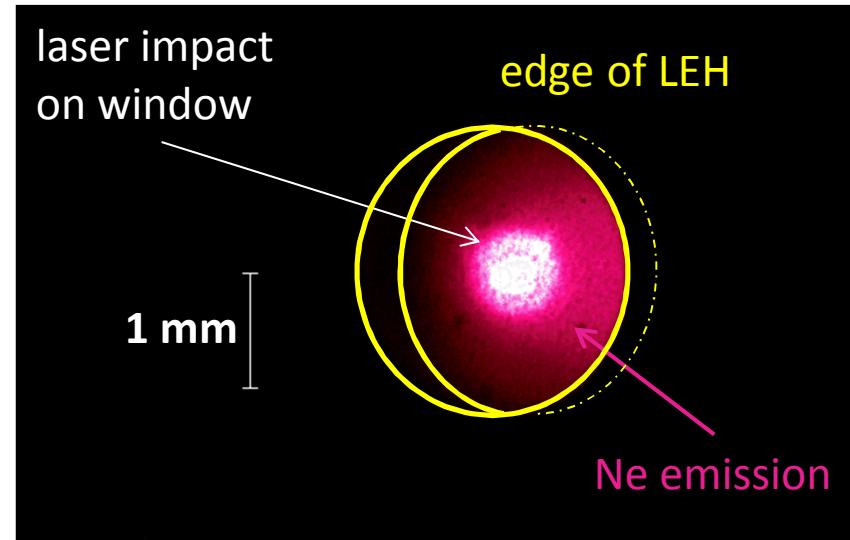


Neon Emission on ZBL shot B14101703 (270 torr Ne)

North-East Viewport



North-West Viewport



Signal estimate:

Laser pulse: 0.5ns (pre) + 2ns (main)

Pulse duration behind window: \approx 1ns

Ne radiance (300 eV): $2 \times 10^{10} \text{ W/cm}^2/\text{sr}$

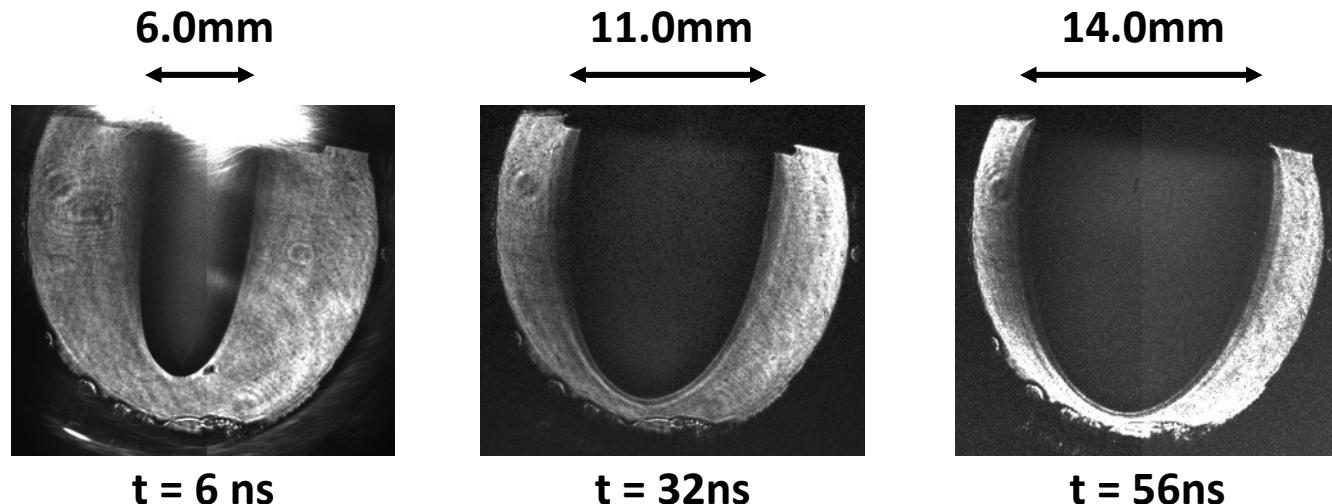
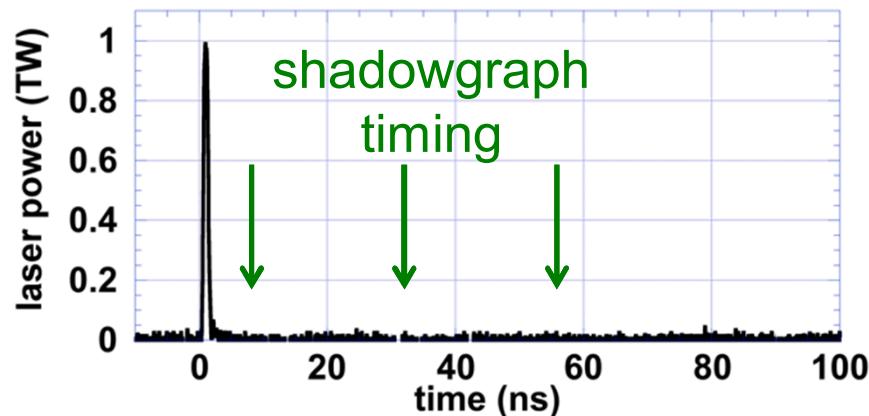
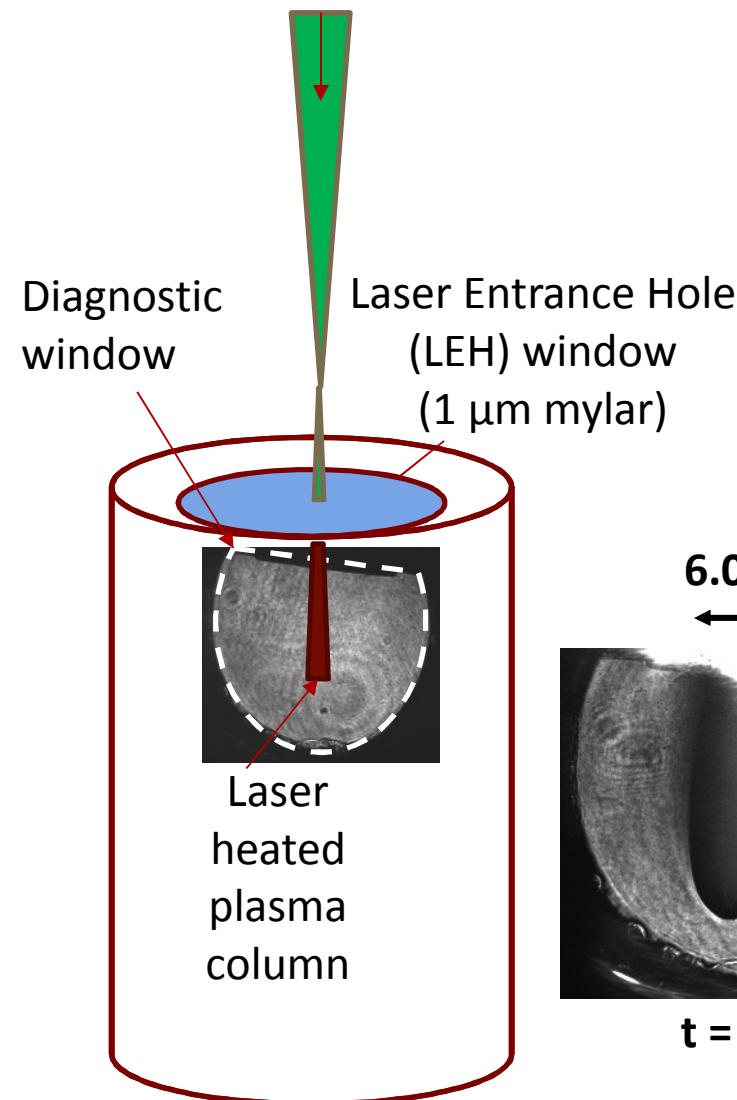
IP response: $1.8 \times 10^{-4} \text{ PSL/phot.}$

Filter transmission: 0.28

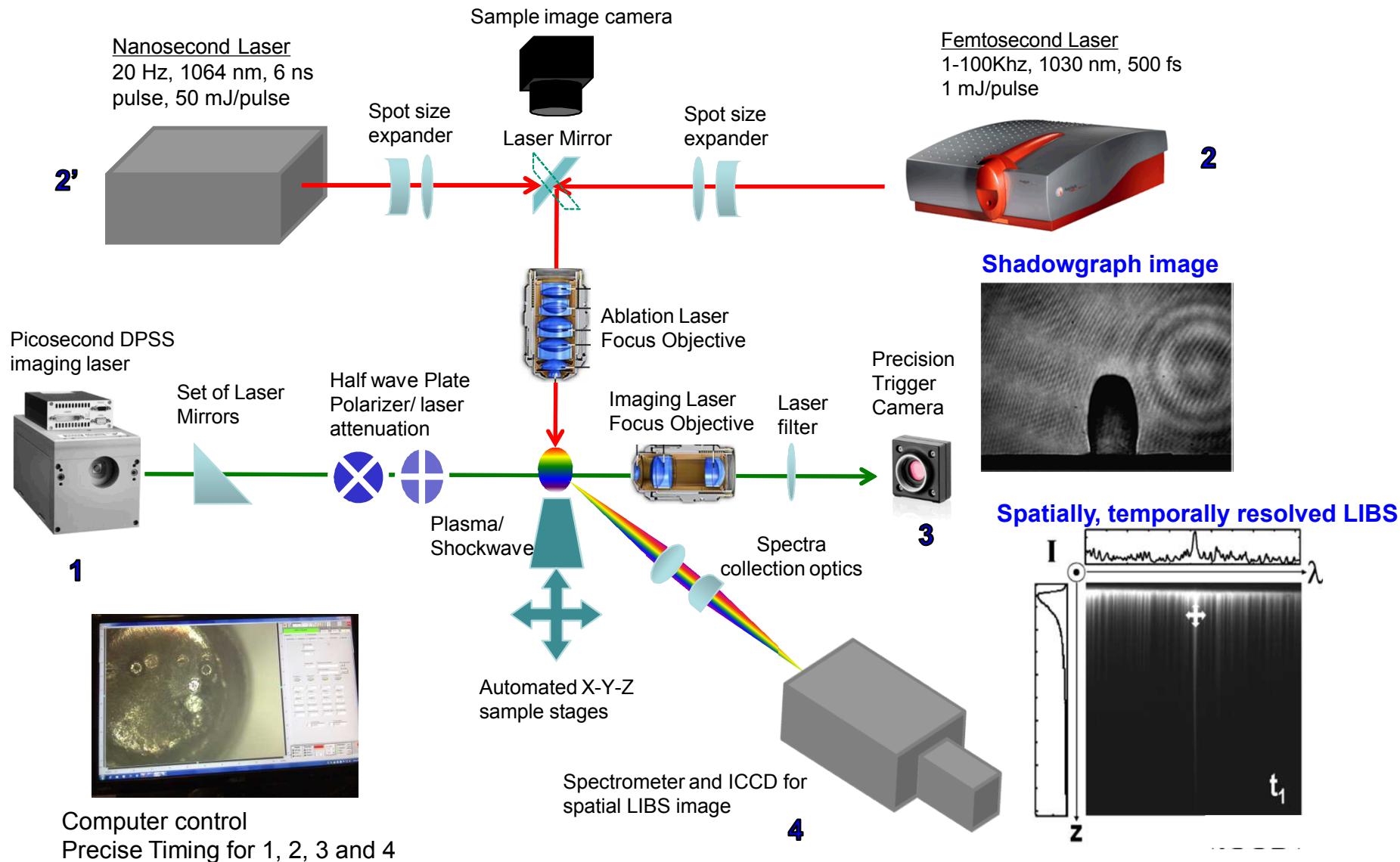
Prediction for IP signal at $kT_e > 200 \text{ eV}$: **1-2 PSL**

Measurement (corrected for fading): **1.6 PSL**

Laser launches cylindrical blast wave

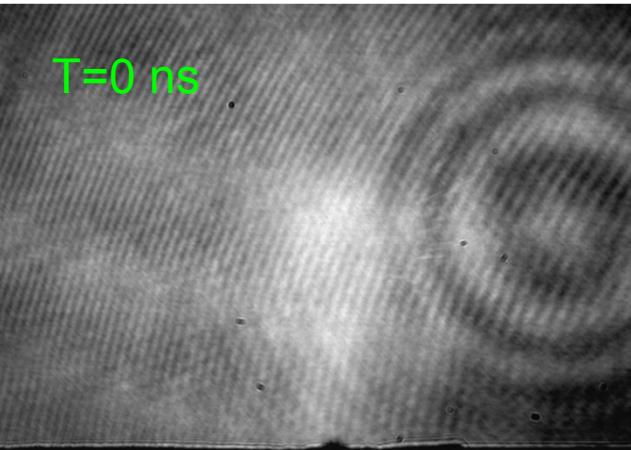


Shadowgraph/LIBS system at SNL

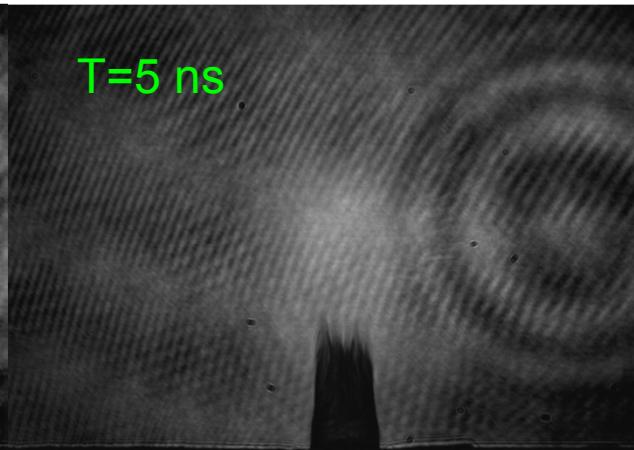


Shadowgraphs of Mg Ablation in Ar

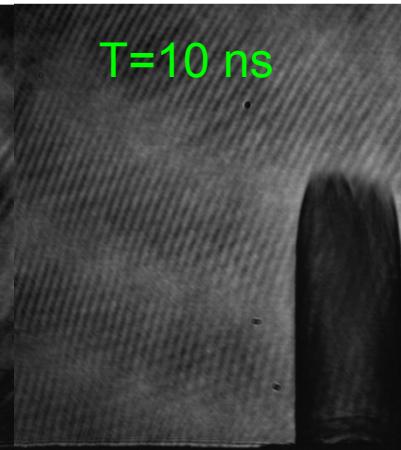
T=0 ns



T=5 ns



T=10 ns

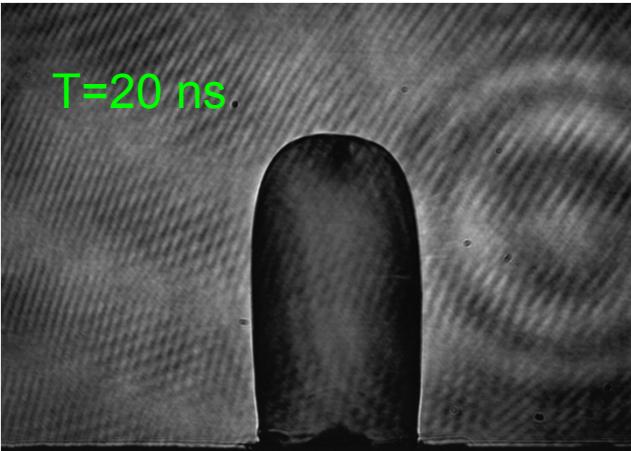


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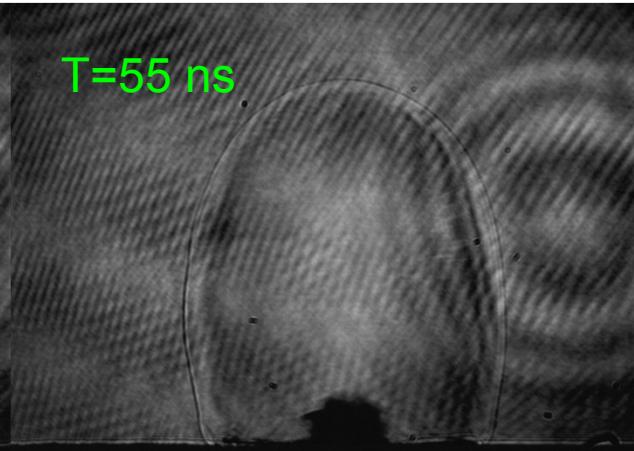
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MginAr dt 5ns318shot.png

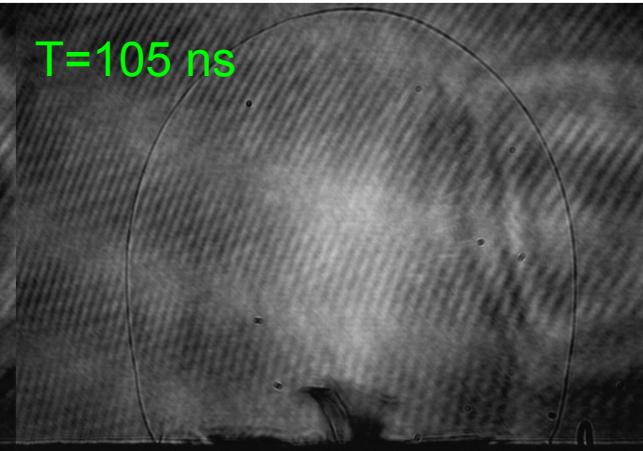
T=20 ns



T=55 ns



T=105 ns

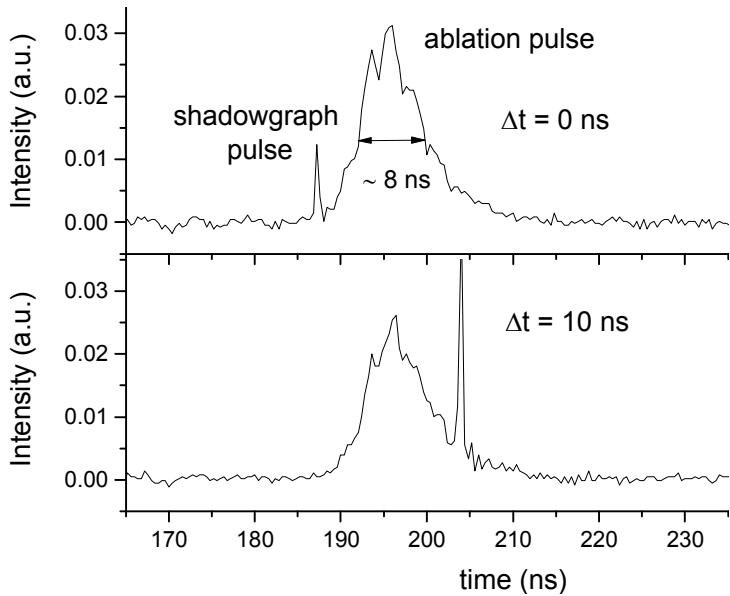


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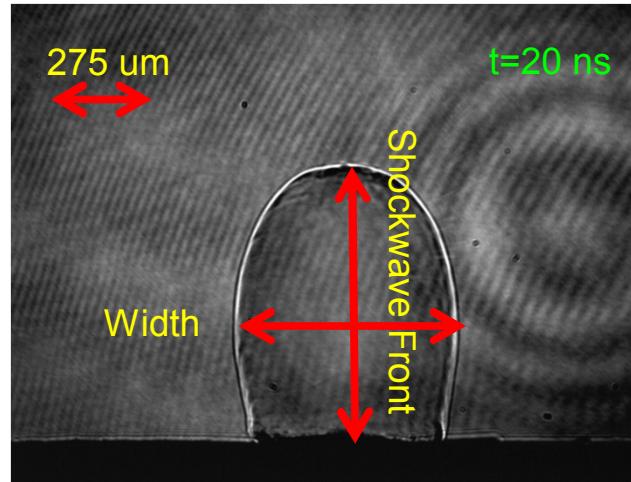
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Shadowgraph imaging

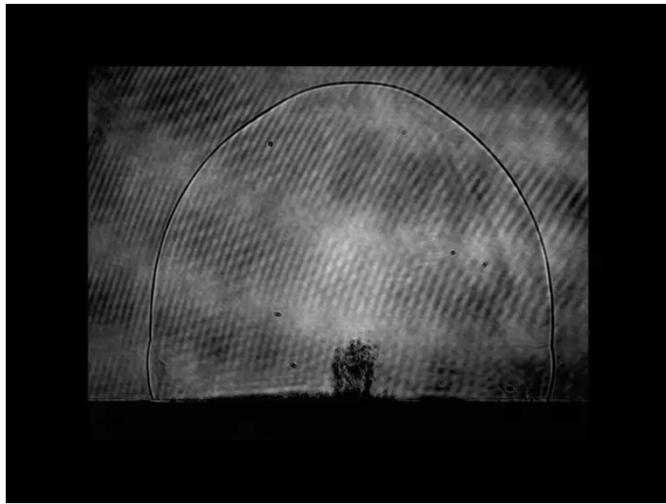


← Shadowgraphs taken at varying delays of probe laser to pump laser for different shots in the same spot



← Measure position of shockwave front and width at each delay time (spatially calibrated images)

← Stability and repeatability of the shadowgraph taken at same delay of probe laser to pump laser for different shots in the same spot (delay 118 ns for Mg ablation)



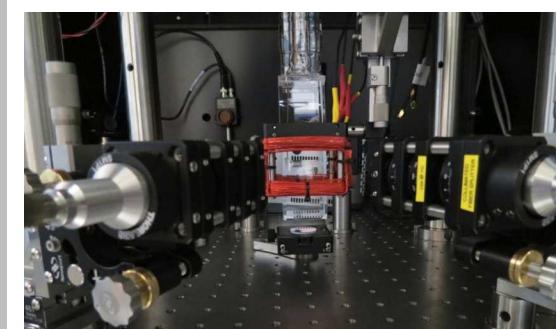
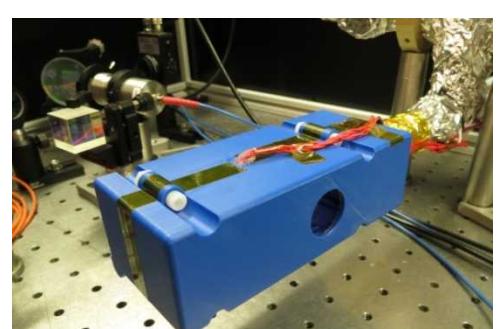
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Inertial sensing with atom interferometers

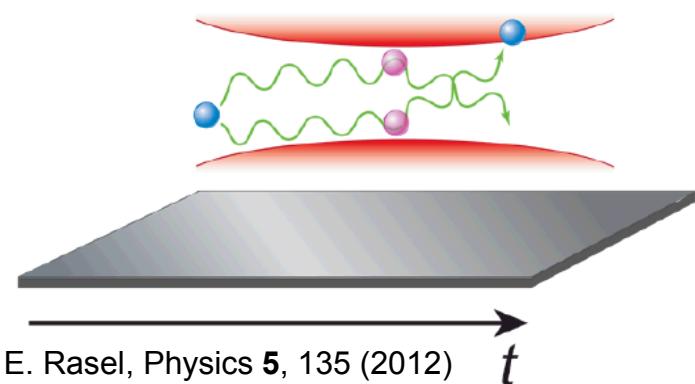
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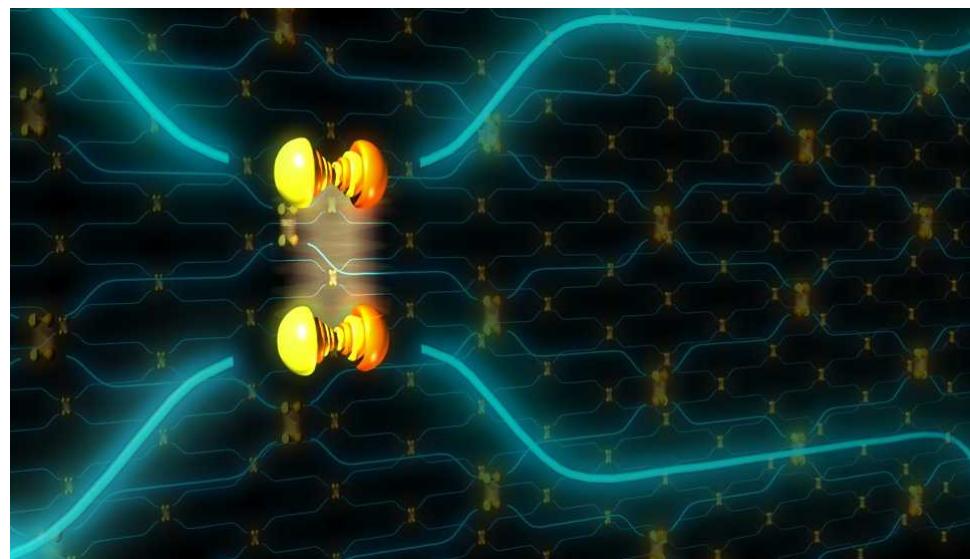
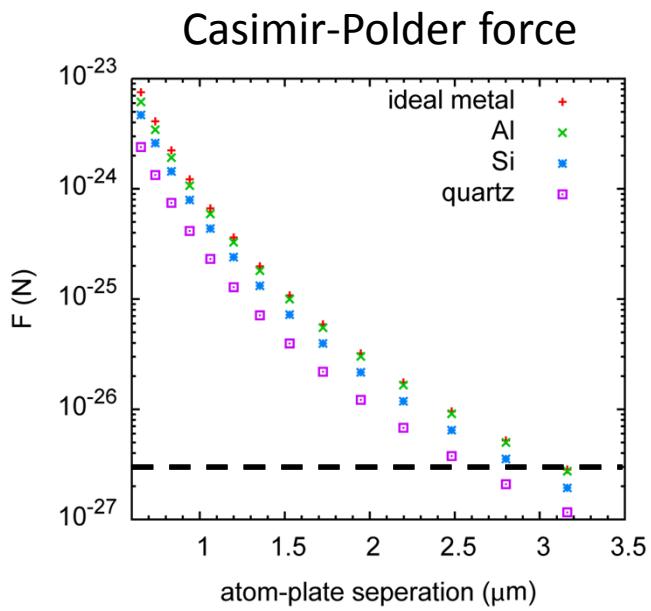
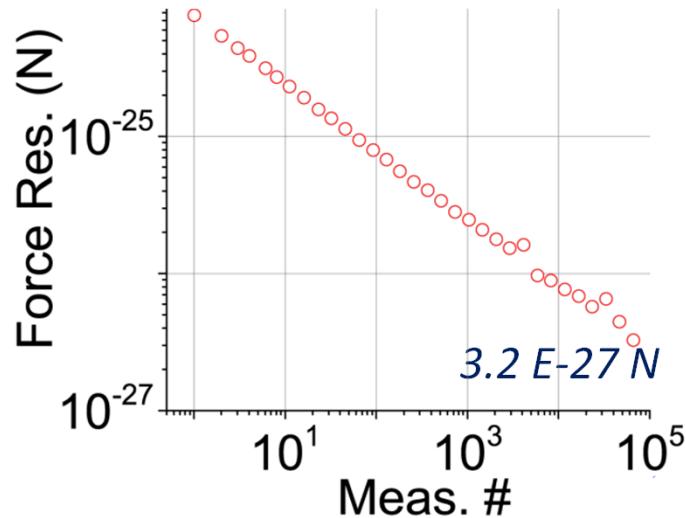
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Force resolution of a single atom interferometer



E. Rasel, Physics **5**, 135 (2012)

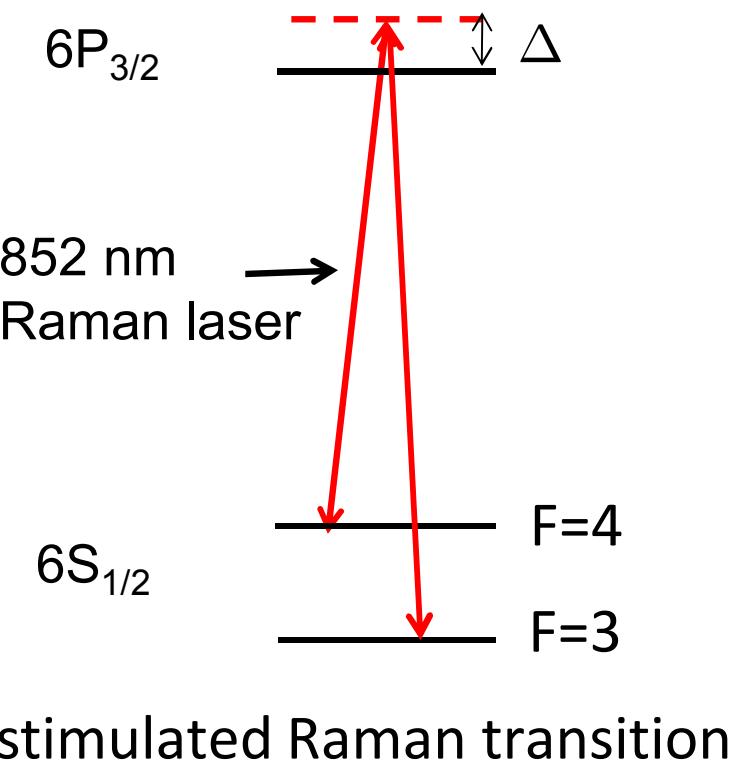
Parazzoli, et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **109**, 230401 (2012)



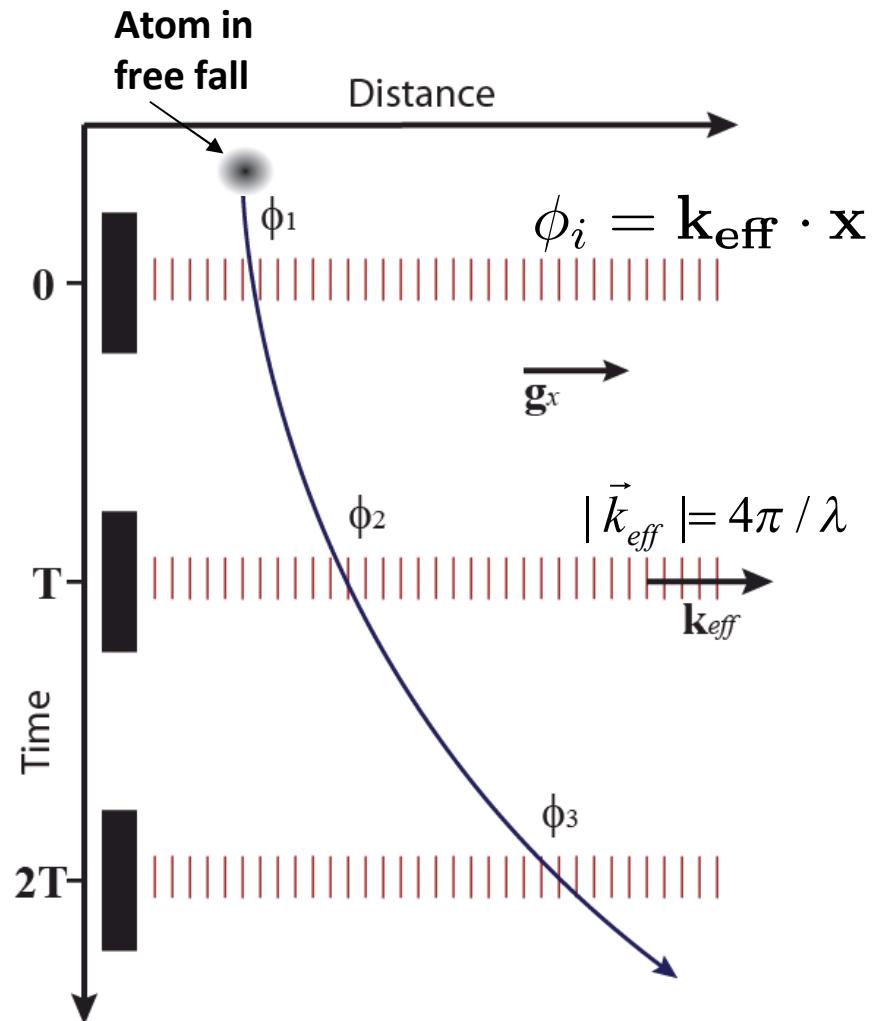
* For cesium $3.2 \times 10^{-27} \text{ N}$ is 1.5 mg

Demonstrated entanglement, arXiv:1501.03862

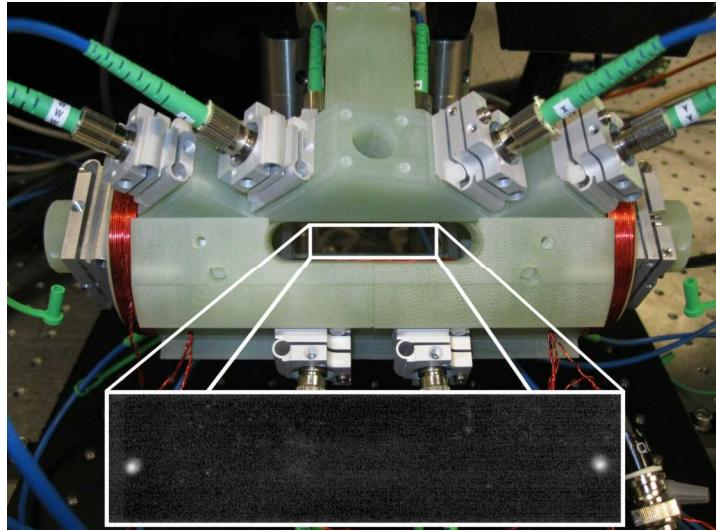
Light-pulse atom interferometry



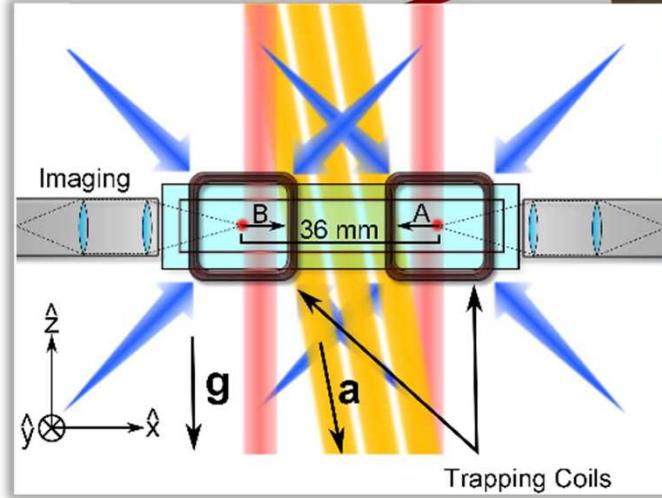
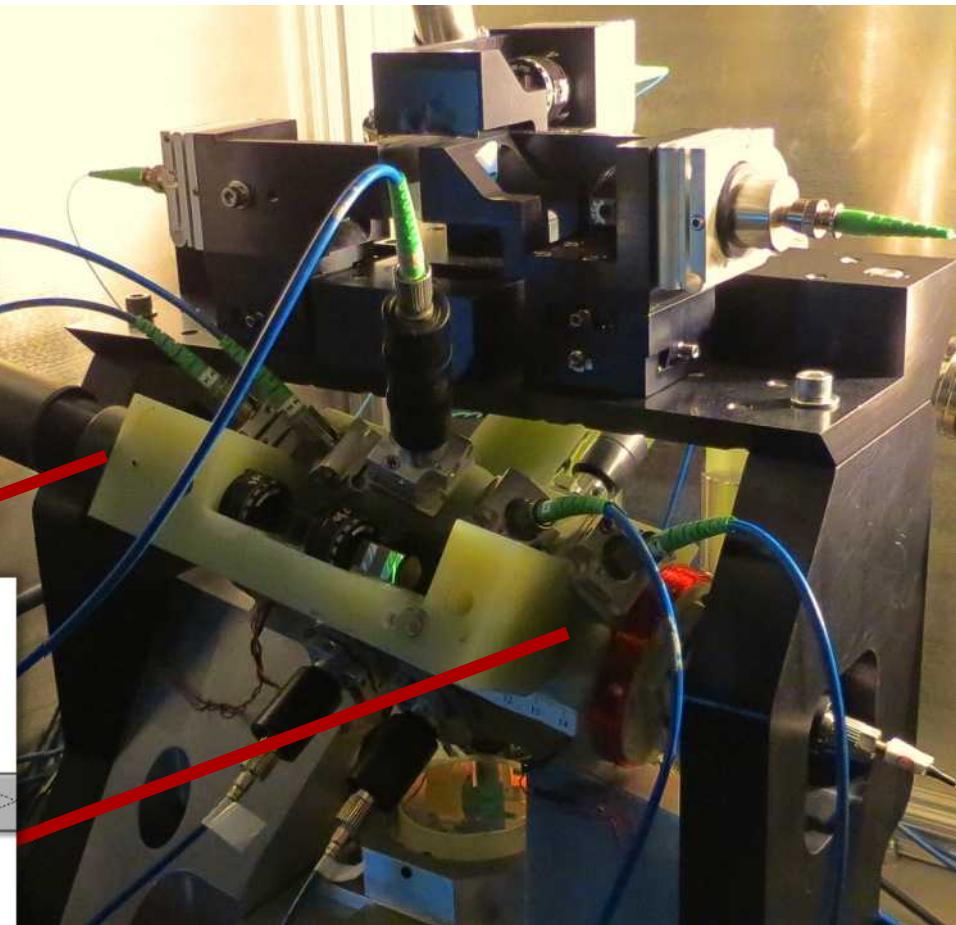
For an atom starting in F=3: $P_{F=4} = \frac{1}{2} (\cos \Delta\phi)$ & $\Delta\phi = \phi_1 - 2\phi_2 + \phi_3$



Experiment platform



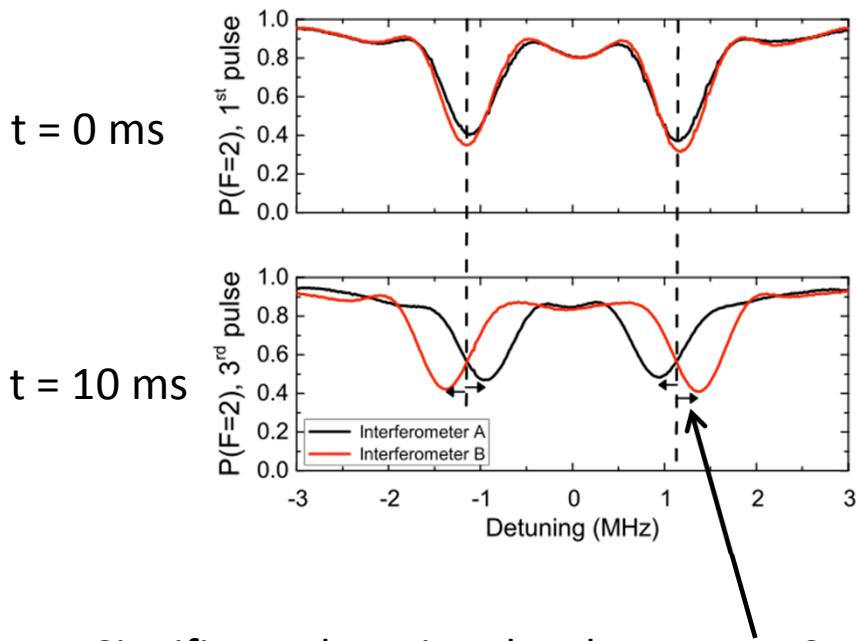
Picture of interferometer sensor



Angular acceleration and jerks

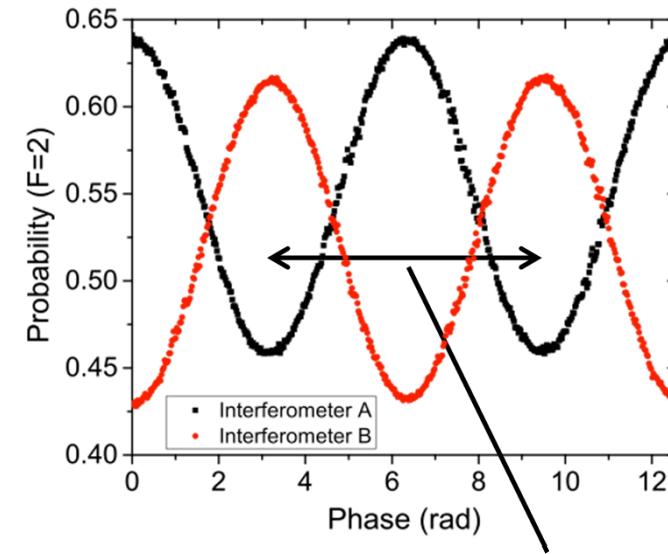
Controlling frequency and phase in a dynamic environment

Raman laser frequency scan



Significant detuning develops over 10 ms due to gravitationally-driven Doppler shift

Raman laser phase scan



$\approx \text{mg}$ OR $\approx \text{mrad/s}$ (400 deg/hr)

Small changes in acceleration or rotation during one interferometer cycle cause phase slip



Parametric results of the AlGalnAs quantum-well saturable absorber for use as a passive Q-switch

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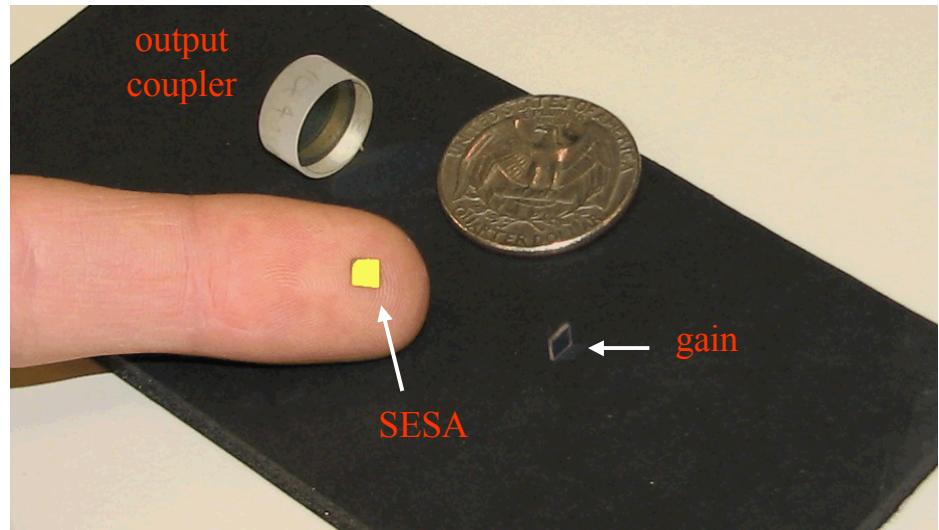
Conference on Lasers and Electro-Optics

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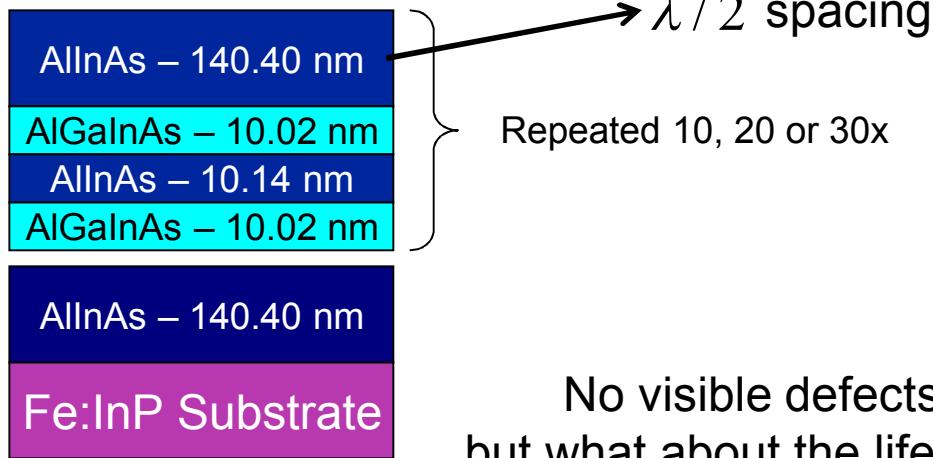
Outline

- Characterization of semiconductor saturable absorber (SESA)
 - Growth defects
 - Lifetime
 - Saturation fluence
 - Modulation depth
- Laser cavity results
- Laser cavity model



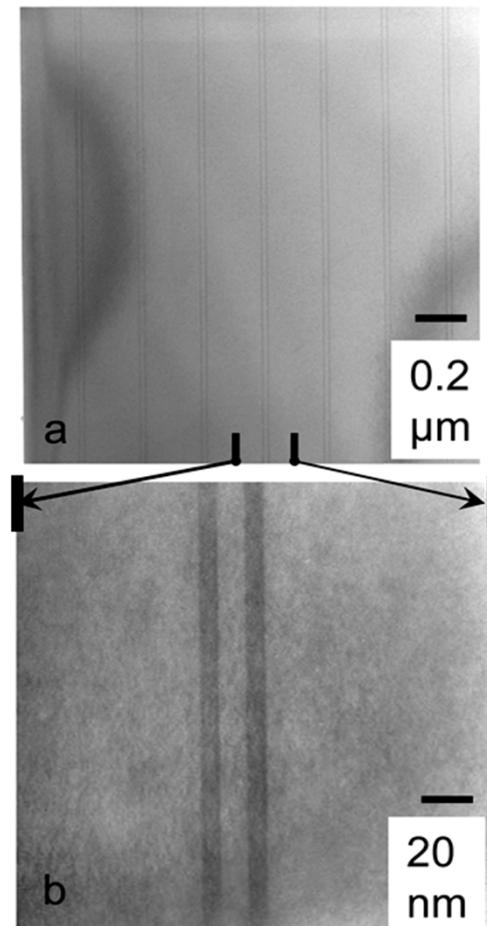
High quality Q-Switch structure

- **AlInAs/AlGalnAs quantum well structure, bandgap = 1064 nm***
- **Lattice matched**
- **Defect-free epitaxy for $>6 \mu\text{m}$**



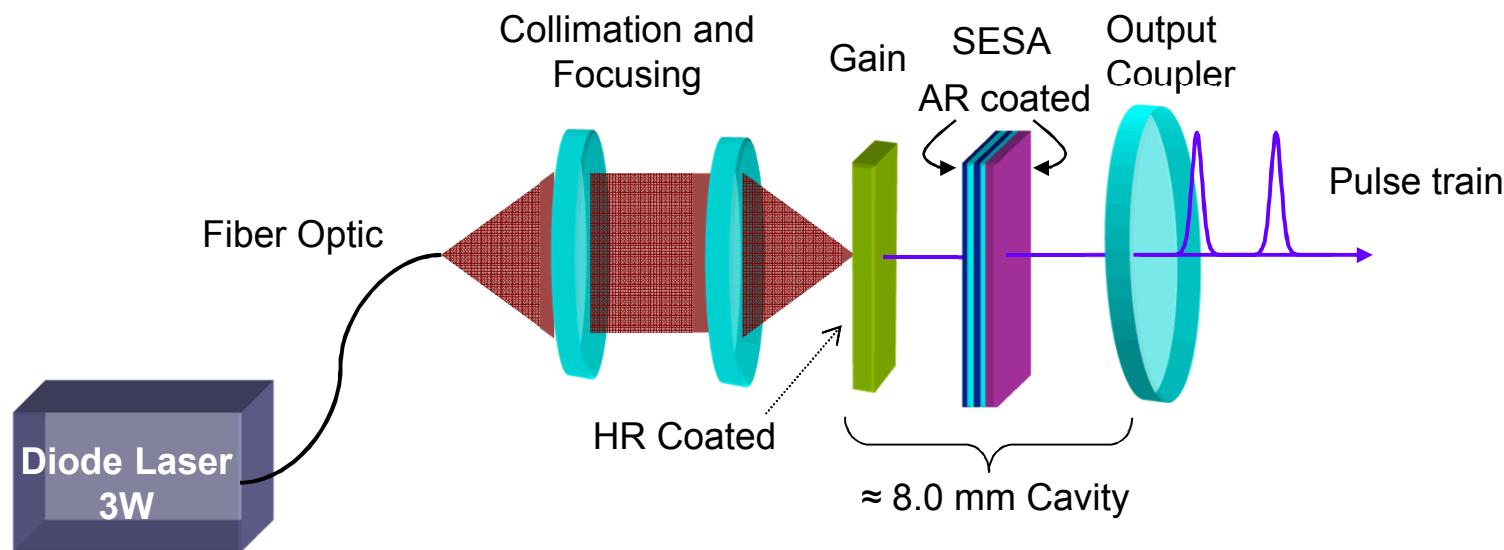
No visible defects,
but what about the lifetime?

Cross-sectional TEM

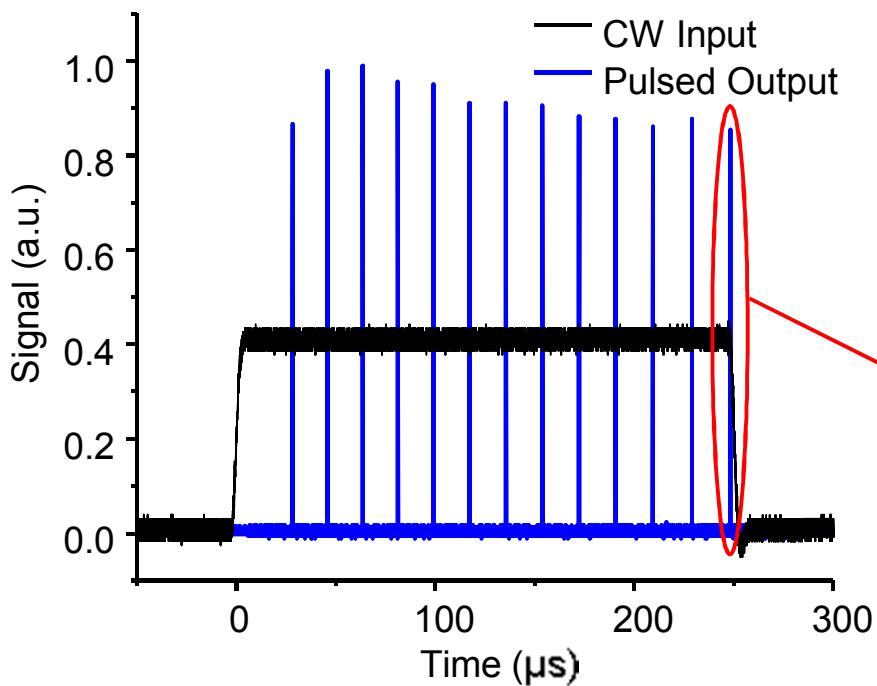


The optical test bed is simple and compact

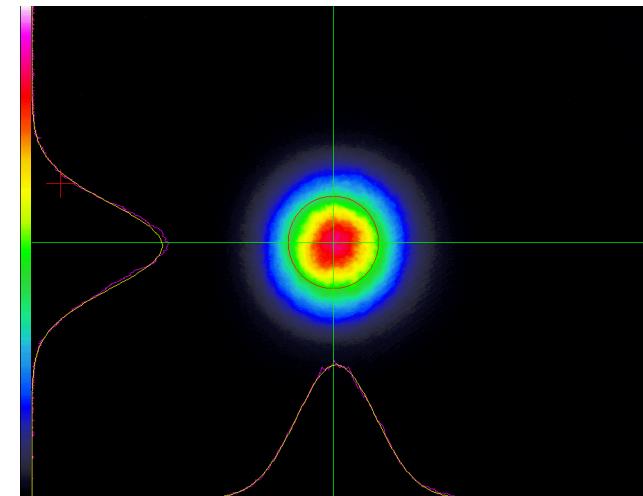
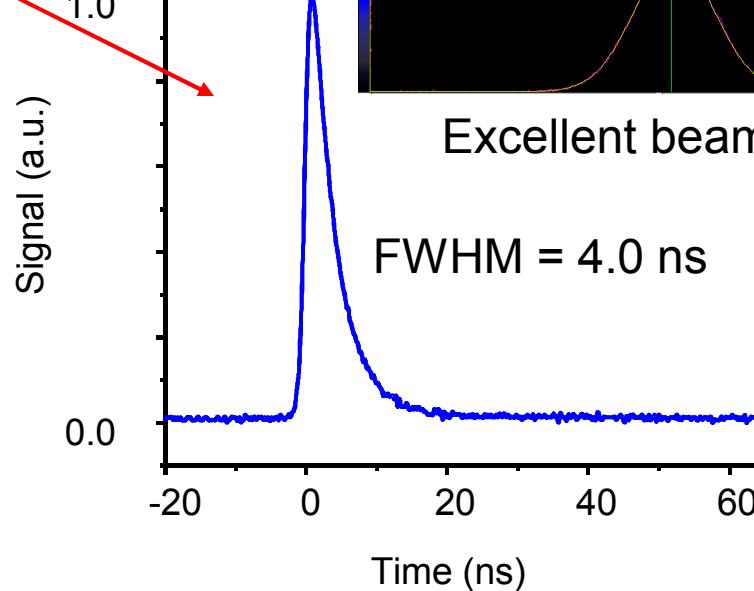
Cavity Layout:



We have successfully produced a passively Q-switched microlaser



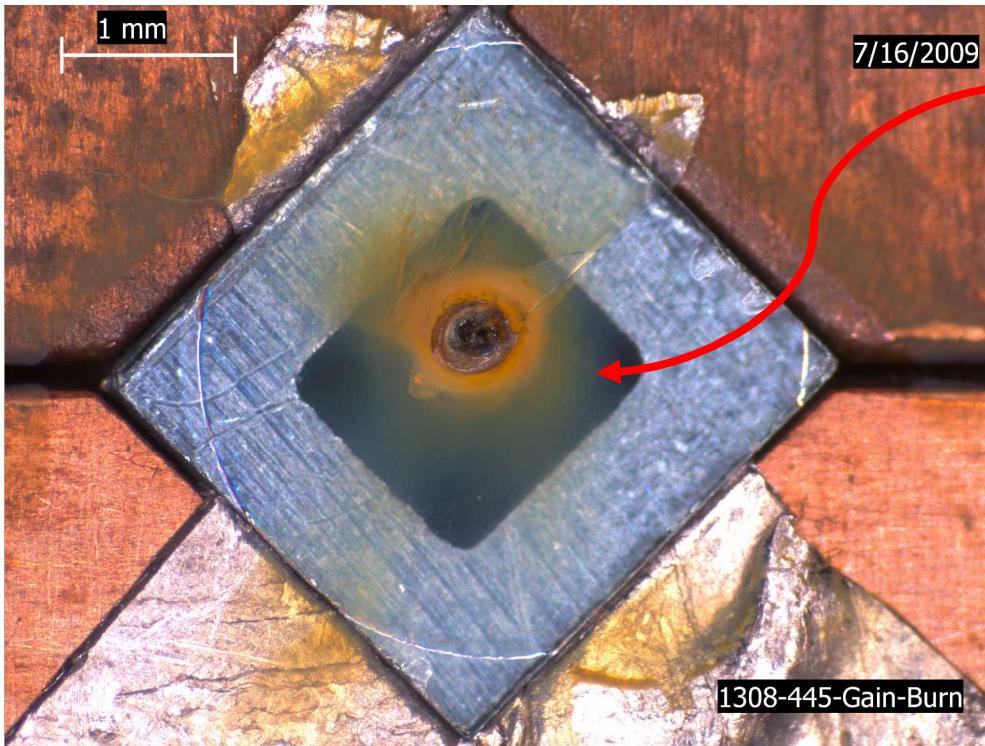
20 QW SESA
 $\Delta T = 6\%$
Rep. rate ≈ 50 kHz



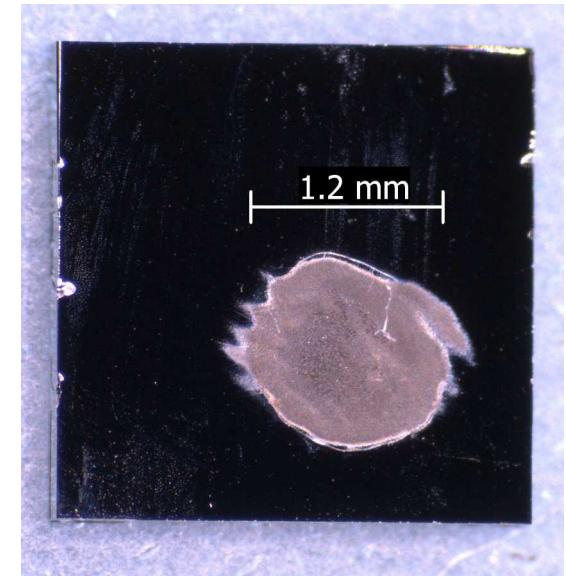
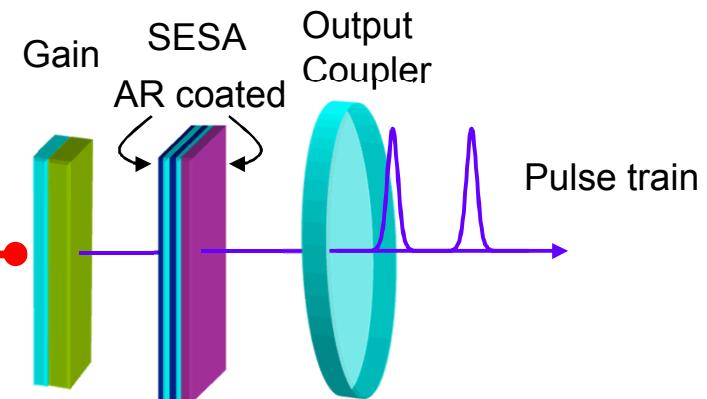
But how robust are they?

Robust Performance

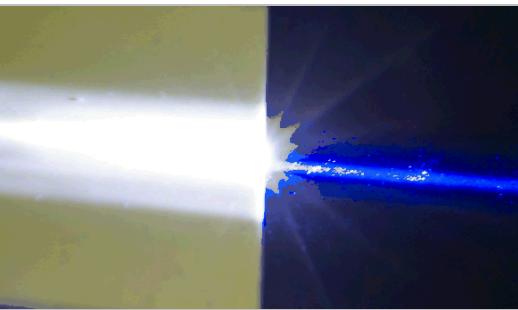
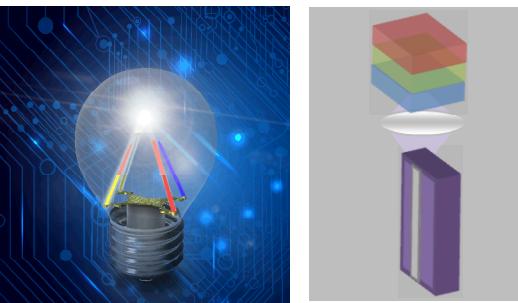
Gain was burned before
SESA was damaged!



Continuous CW pumping



SESA damage: $>8.7 \text{ J/cm}^2$



Solid-State Lighting with III-nitride Laser Diodes

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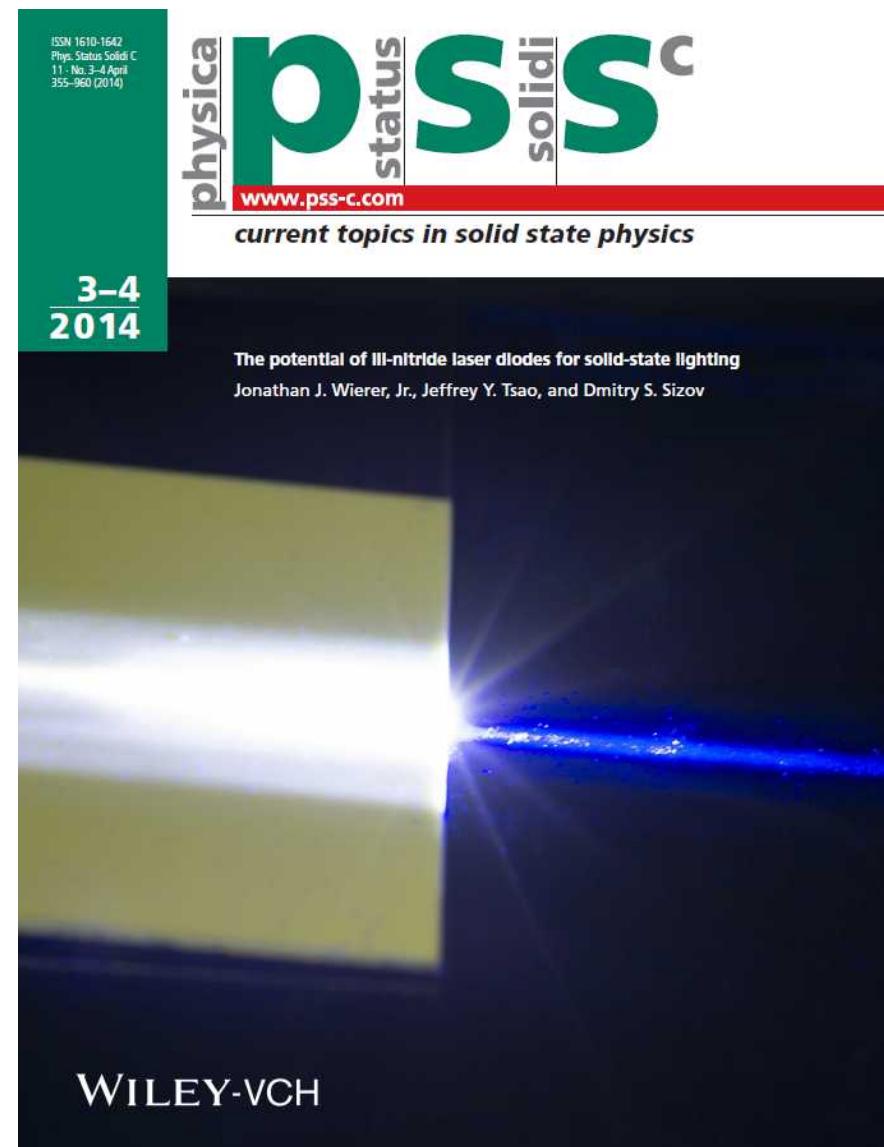
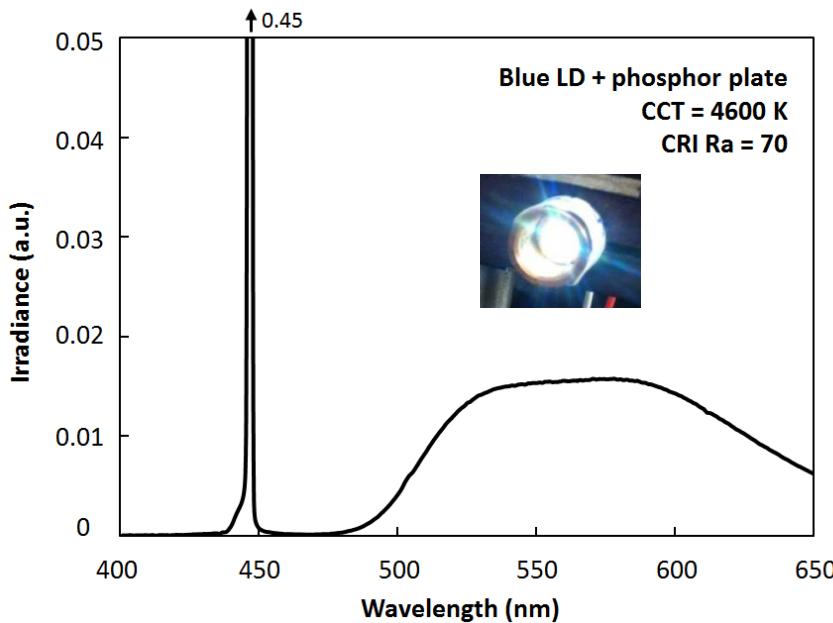
IWN, Wroclaw, Poland 27th August 2014



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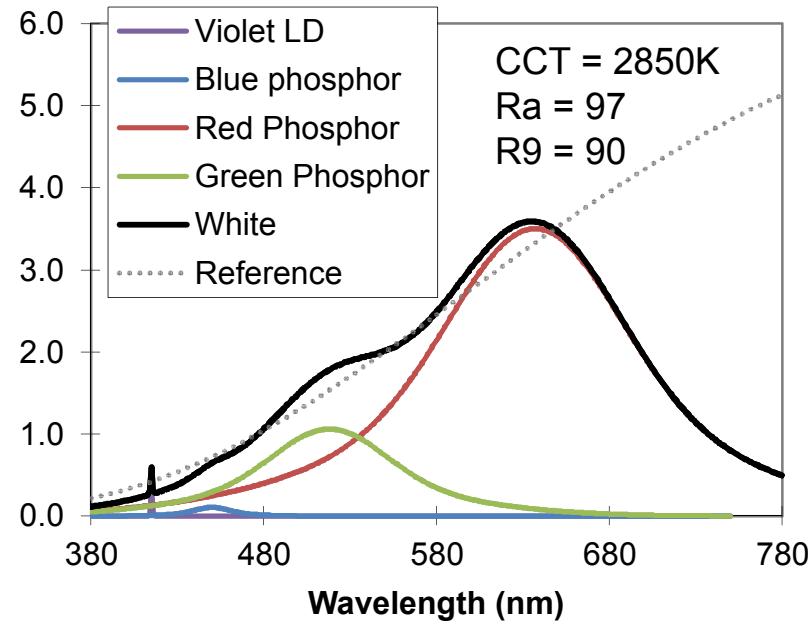
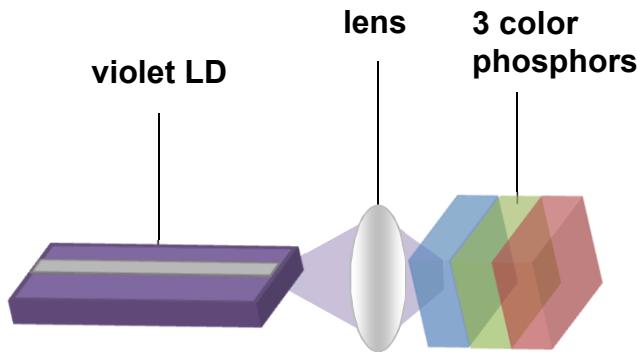


Phosphor converted LD (PC-LD) white



- Commercial blue LD + ceramic phosphor.
- Color temperature and rendering are comparable to PC-LED.
- Blue LDs can be used to produce white light.

Violet pumped PC-LD



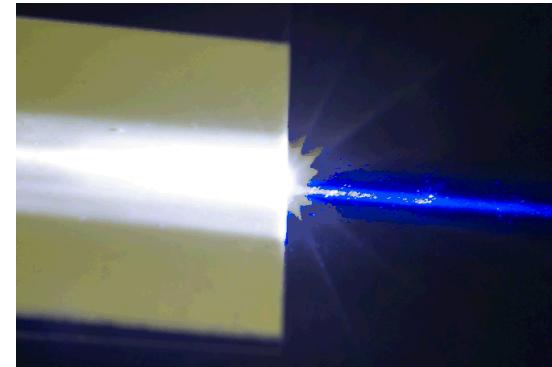
- Simulation of 415nm LD pumping 3 phosphors
 - 450 nm, 518 nm, and 637 nm
- Just like violet PC-LED solution, the violet PC-LD could also produce high color rendering white light.
- Phosphor converted solutions cannot chromaticity tune.

Conclusion

- LDs are not affected by efficiency droop after threshold.
 - LDs have higher efficiencies at higher input powers.
 - Modeling suggests LD peak efficiency could match LEDs.
- PC-LDs produce white light with color rendering and temperature similar to LEDs.
- LDs white sources have higher illuminance.

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Conclusion – lasers' wide range of uses

- More than 1400 lasers are used across Sandia
 - Materials Characterization
 - Identification and scanning (a,b,c especially)
 - Non-perturbing sampling
 - Fine motion measurement/Control
 - Lighting of the future
- Scaling does matter
 - Some are chip scale
 - Some are large enough to require a large trailer
 - Some take up a whole building
- Location matters
 - Some are in a lab
 - Some are outside, fixed locations
 - Some are outside, mobile



Thanks for listening

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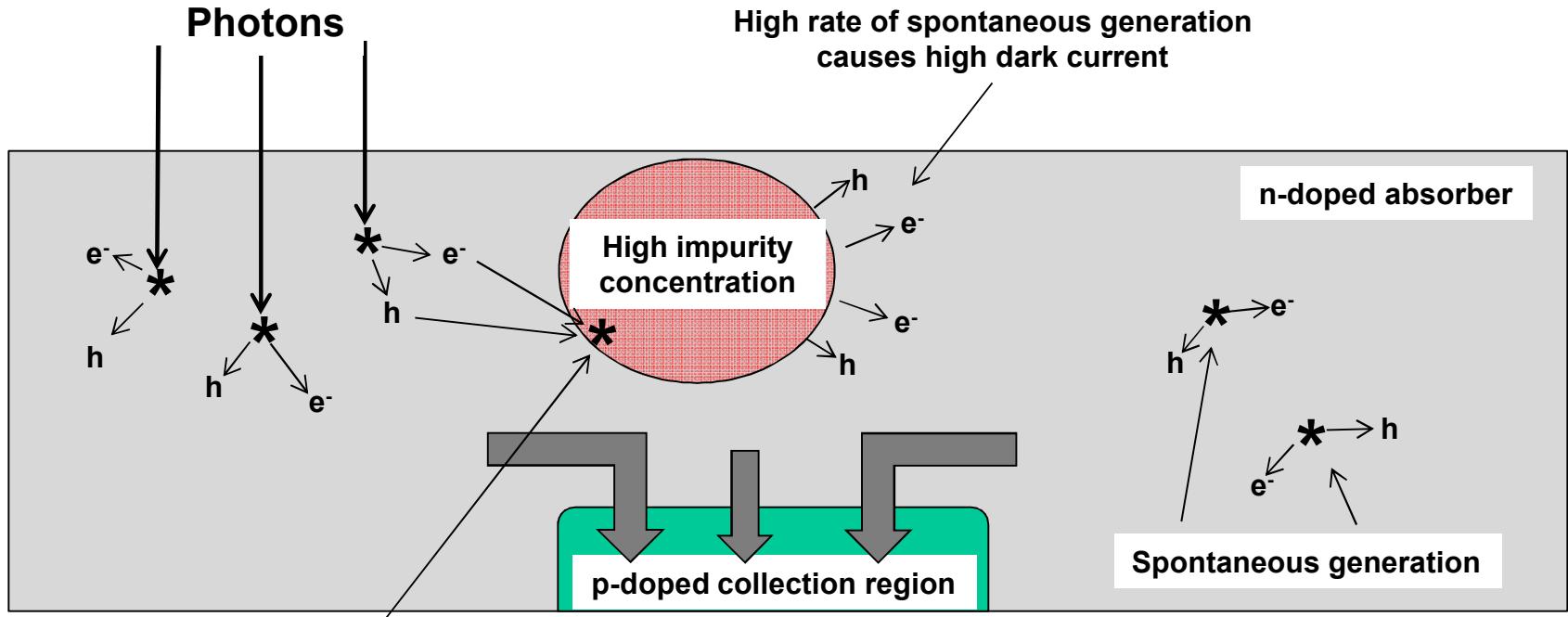
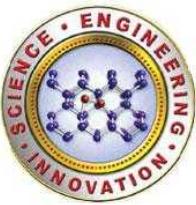
Questions?



Backup Slides



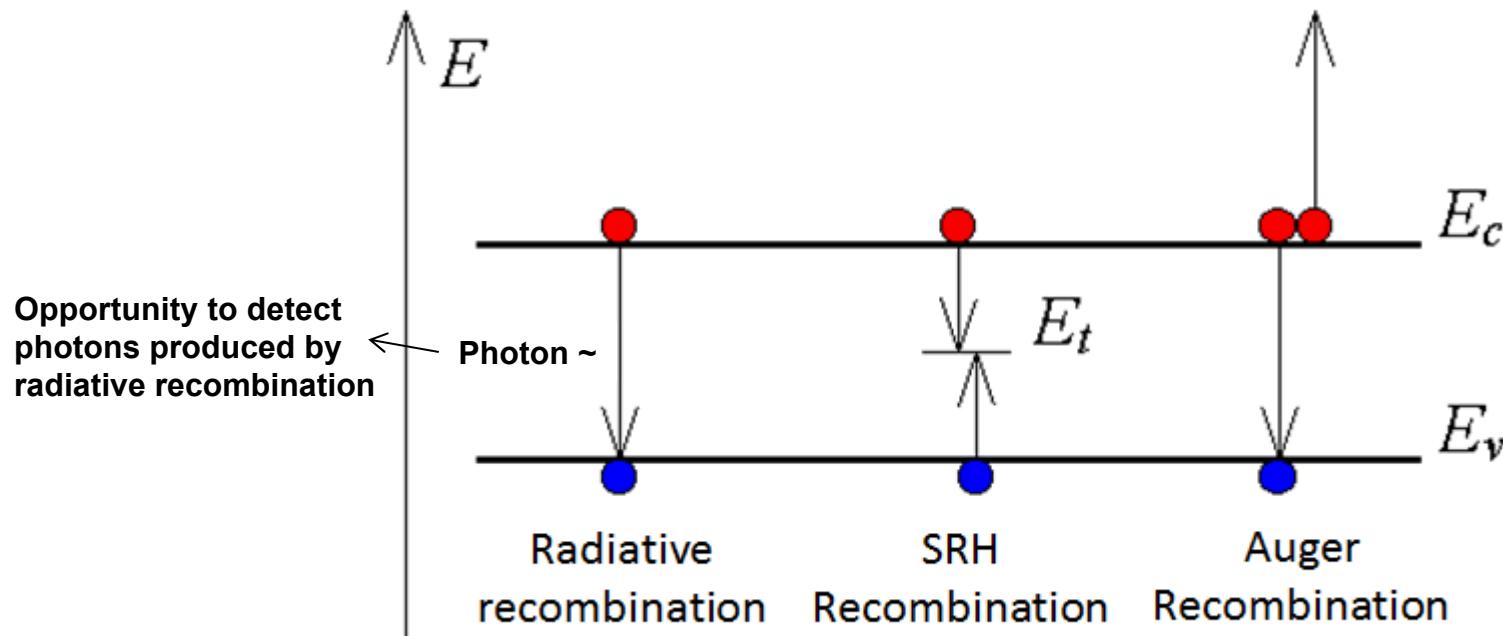
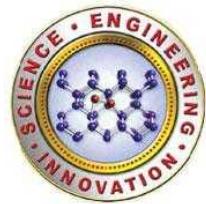
Carrier generation/recombination in a photo-sensitive device



High rate of recombination causes photo-generated carriers to be lost

- Carriers generated from photons that are collected are the signal we want
- Carriers spontaneously generated that are collected are dark current
- Carriers generated from photons that recombine contribute to reduced sensitivity

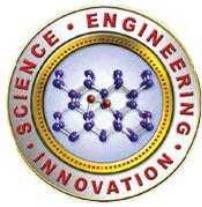
Semiconductor carrier recombination mechanisms



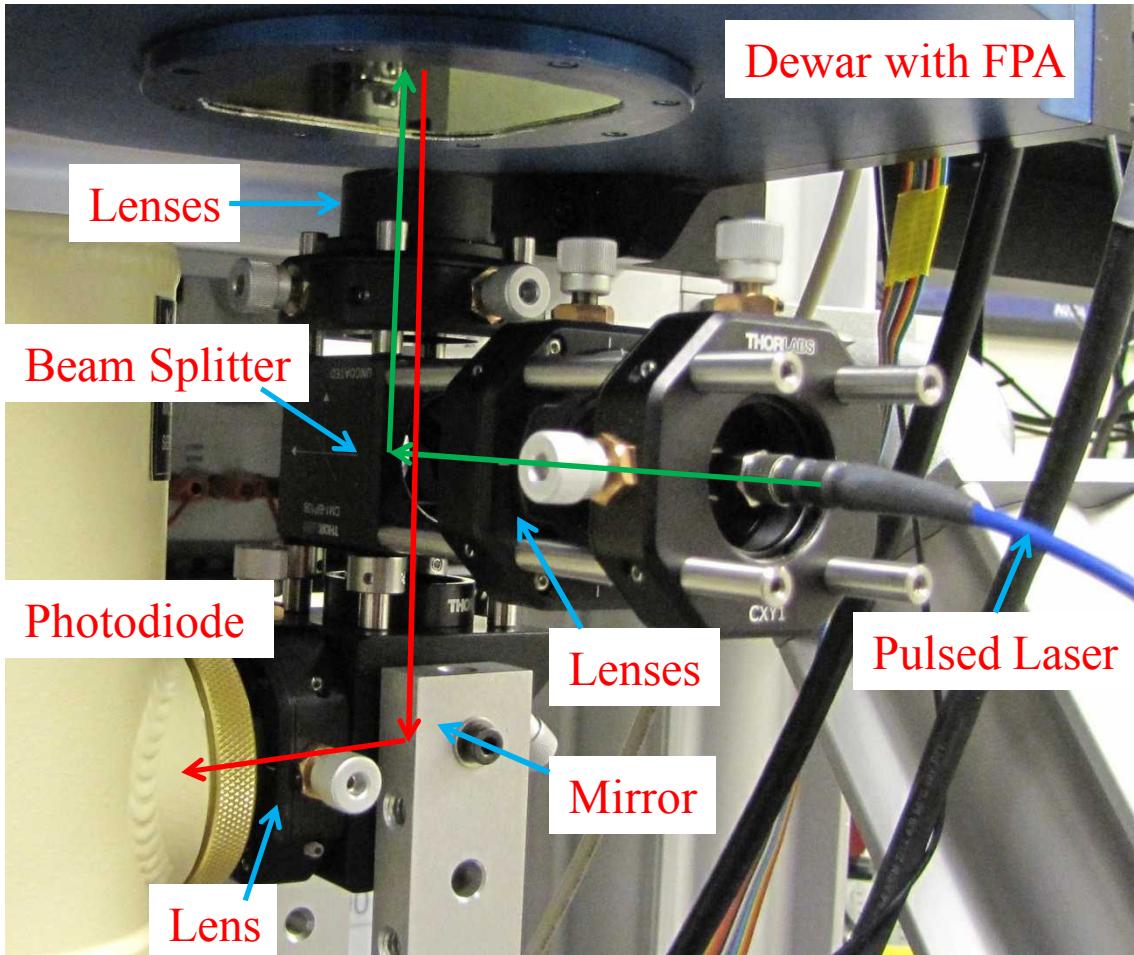
- Radiative and auger recombination rates are fixed for a given material composition
- SRH recombination occurs because impurities introduce energy states within the band gap that provide a path for carriers to recombine.
 - The rate varies depending on the impurity concentration(s)



Picture of measurement station



8mm thick silicon window



Kolmar 1mm
diameter MCT
photodiode

Ekspla OPO laser,
tunable from 2500-
4450nm

Newport XMS and GTS series stages

Sandia's Current Nuclear Weapons Activities

Warhead Systems Engineering and Integration



An extensive suite of multi-disciplinary capabilities are required for Design, Qualification, Production, Surveillance, Experimentation / Computation

Major Environmental Test Facilities and Diagnostics



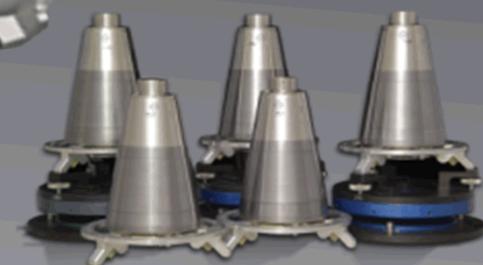
Z Machine

Light Initiated High Explosive
Annular core research reactor

Design Agency for Nonnuclear Components



Gas Transfer systems

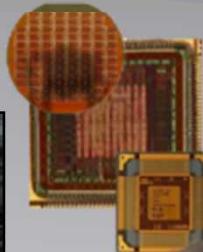


Arming, fusing, and firing systems

Safety systems

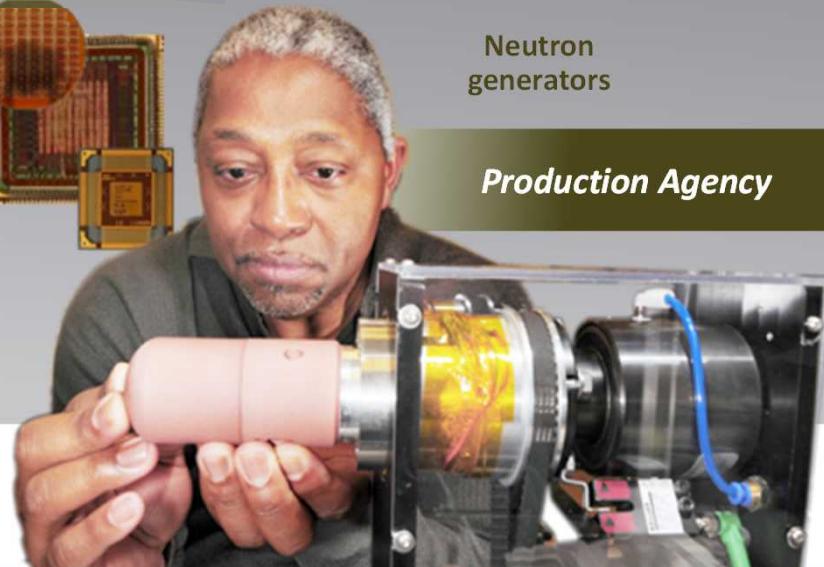


MESA Microelectronics



Neutron generators

Production Agency



Defense Systems & Assessments Programs

Information Operations



Surveillance & Reconnaissance



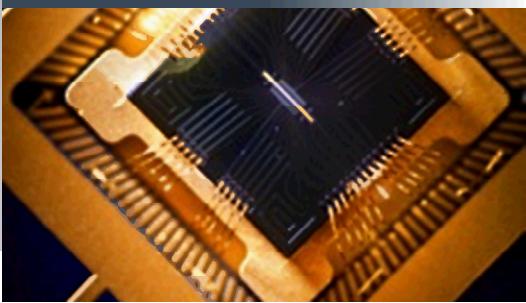
Remote Sensing and Verification



Space Mission



Science & Technology Products



Proliferation Assessment



Integrated Military Systems



Energy & Climate



Energy Research

ARPAe, BES Chem Sciences, ASCR, CINT, Geo Bio Science, BES Material Science

Climate & Environment

Measurement & Modeling, Carbon Management, Water & Environment, and Biofuels

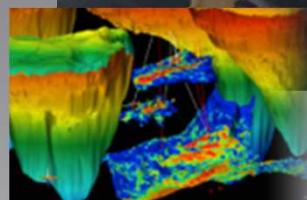
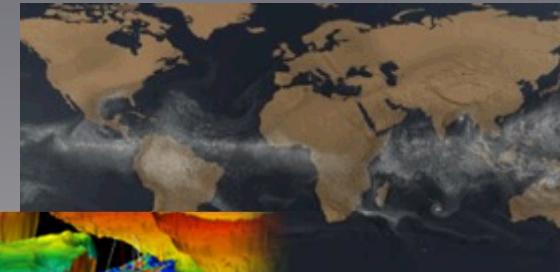
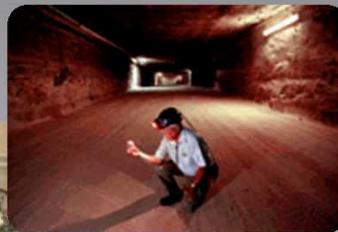
Renewable Systems & Energy Infrastructure

Renewable Energy, Energy Efficiency, Grid and Storage Systems



Nuclear Energy & Fuel Cycle

Commercial Nuclear Power & Fuel, Nuclear Energy Safety & Security, DOE Managed Nuclear Waste Disposal



Transportation Energy & Systems

Vehicle Technologies, Biomass, Fuel Cells & Hydrogen Technology



International, Homeland, & Nuclear Security

Global Security



WMD Counterterrorism and Response



Homeland Security Programs



Homeland Defense and Force Protection

Cyber and Infrastructure Security



Strategic Plan

Strategic Objectives

- Deliver with excellence on our commitments to the unique nuclear weapons mission
- Amplify our national security impact
- Lead the Complex as a model 21st century government-owned contractor-operated national laboratory
- Excel in the practice of engineering
- Commit to a learning, inclusive, and engaging environment for our people



Three 1118 business thrust areas

- I. Laser Remote Sensing (LRS)
 - Field Testing at long range or lab testing at short range
esp. chem and bio
- II. IR Detector Physics (IRD)
 - Design & Fab the chip scale microelectronic Sources/Sensors
- III. Low Energy Plasma Physics (LEPP)
 - Characterize, understand, & predict arcs, breakdown, plasmas
via non-perturbing laser sensing

All thrusts are related to remote sensing as either

Sources Or Sensors