

PDV measurements on the Sandia Z machine

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Photonic Doppler Velocimetry overview

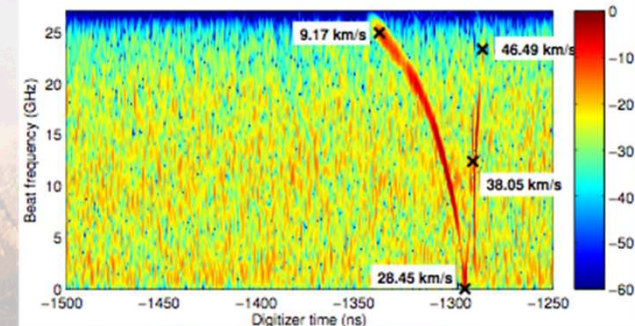
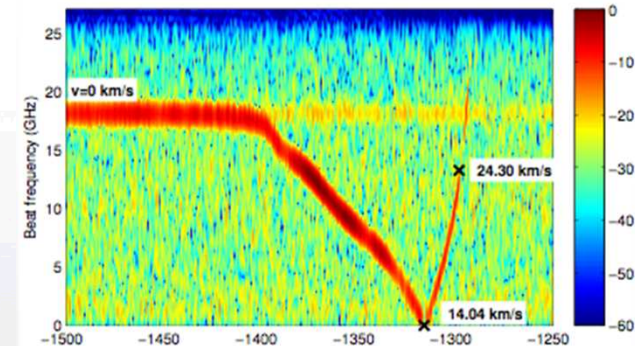
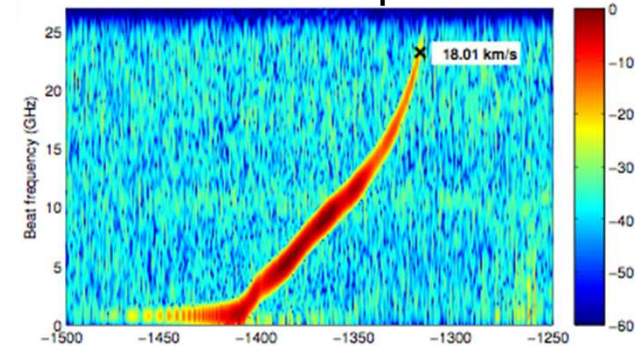
- **Frequency-shifted PDV**

- What is PDV and how is it different from VISAR?
- How can be PDV be used to measure extreme velocities?
 - Dealing with finite electrical bandwidth

- **Examples**

- Cylindrical implosion
 - Hollow and liquid-filled liners
- Plate impact experiments

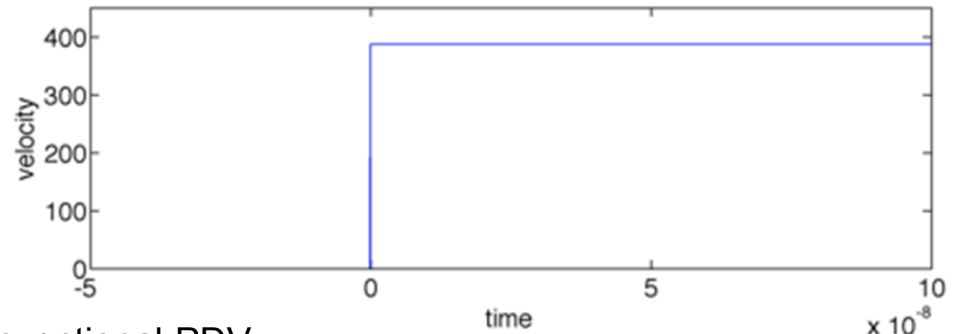
Be liner implosion



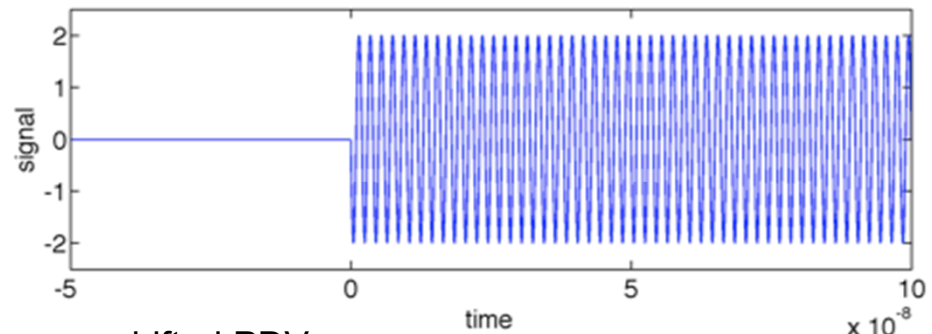
Differences between VISAR and PDV

- **VISAR mixes Doppler shifted light with a time-delayed version of itself**
 - Velocity changes correspond to fringe shifts
 - Typically visible light (532 nm)
- **PDV mixes Doppler shifted light with a reference source**
 - Conventional: single laser
 - Frequency-shifted: multiple lasers
 - Velocity changes correspond to frequency shifts
 - Infrared light (1550 nm)

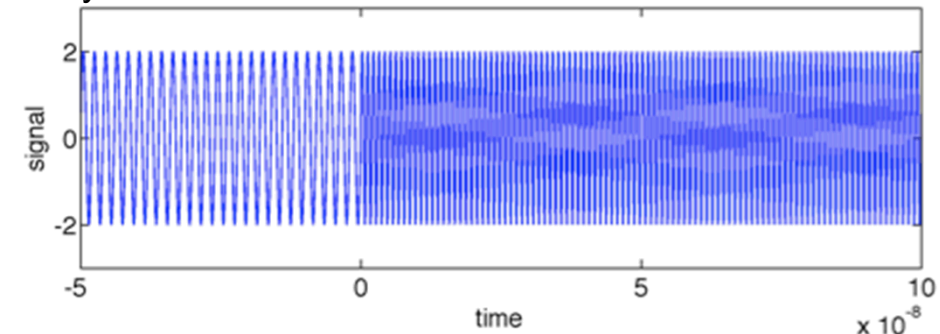
Velocity step



Conventional PDV

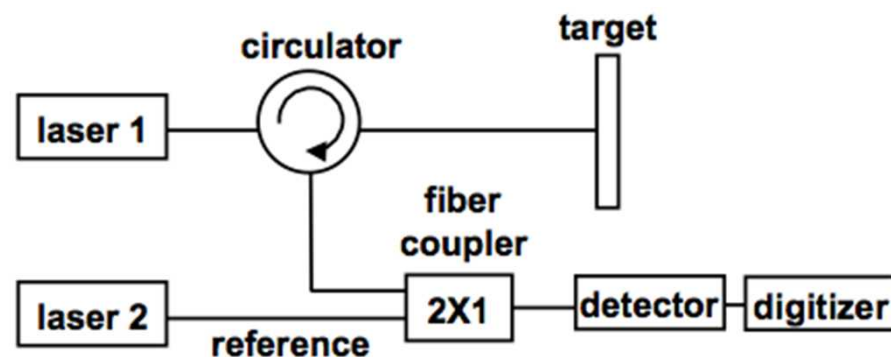


Frequency shifted PDV



Why bother with PDV?

- **Very simple to field**
 - Fiber-based, commercial components
- **Extremely compact**
- **Relatively low power requirements**
 - ~100 mW target power
 - ~1 mW reference power
 - Mostly class I hazard
- **Very robust to light variation**
 - >50 dB return variations are acceptable
- **No hardware time scale (etalon)**
 - Time resolution defined in the analysis
 - Can be optimized for different purposes (arrival time, etc.)
- **Tolerates multiple velocities (where VISAR loses contrast)**



Velocity-frequency mapping

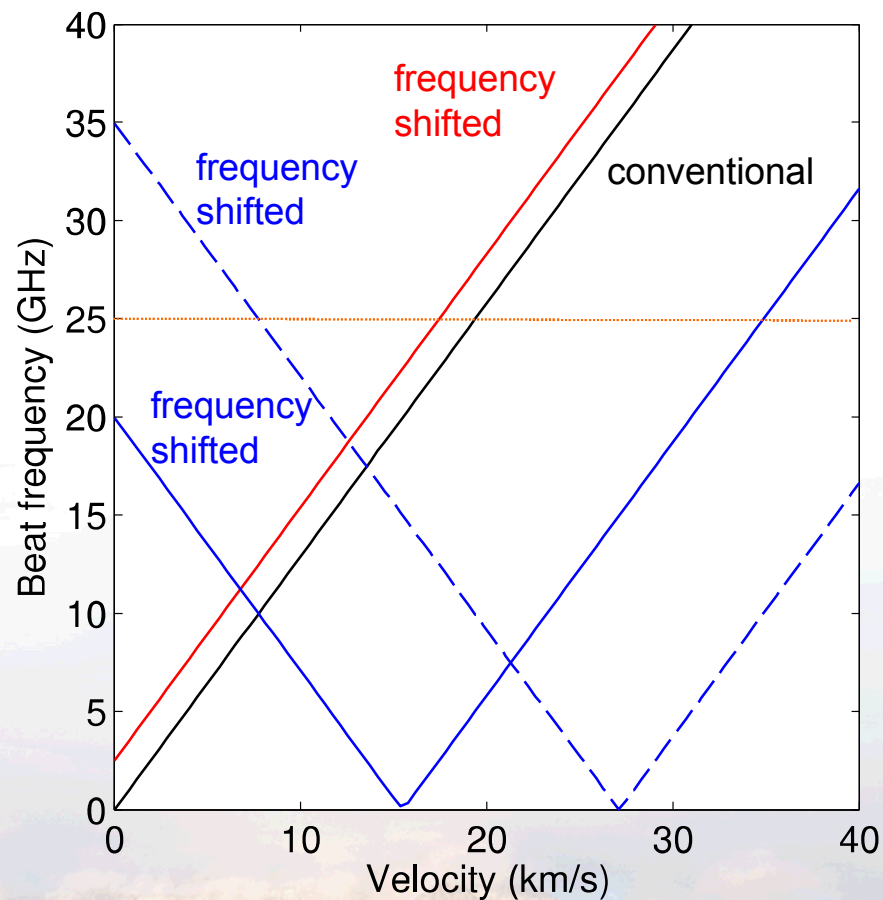
- **Conventional** $B = \frac{2v}{\lambda_T}$

- 1.3 GHz per 1 km/s
- No motion, no beating
- Not currently used at Z

- **Frequency shifting**

$$B = \left| \frac{2v}{\lambda_T} + c_0 \left(\frac{1}{\lambda_T} - \frac{1}{\lambda_R} \right) \right|$$

- **Red reference**
 - Unambiguous mapping
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- **Blue reference**
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System capabilities at Z

- **Electrical bandwidth**

- Eight 20 GHz receivers recorded with 25 GHz digitizers at 80 GS/s
 - Covers up to 19.4 km/s in conventional mode

- **Tunable reference lasers allow red/blue reference configurations**

- Can span a 50 GHz (39 km/s range) with a “bounce” in the middle
- Coverage can be tuned to any velocity range: 0-39 km/s, 100-139 km/s, ...
- “Leapfrog” configuration provides even greater coverage
 - 8-channel, 4-reference system coming online in October will span 80+ km/s

- **Other**

- Laser wavelength monitoring to ~0.1 pm
- Timing characterization
 - <<100 ps uncertainty between PDV channels
 - ~200 ps uncertainty to machine time

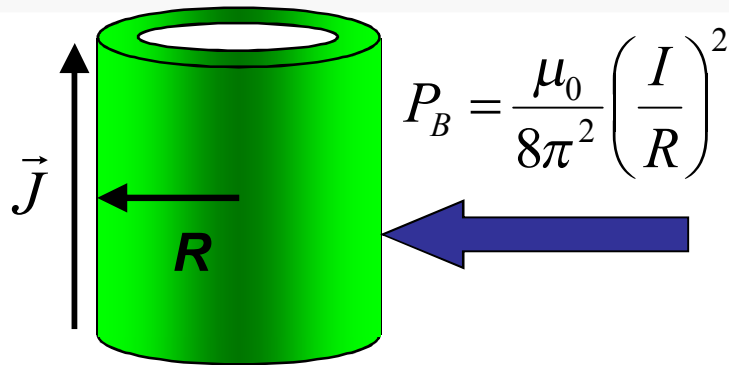




Cylindrical implosion

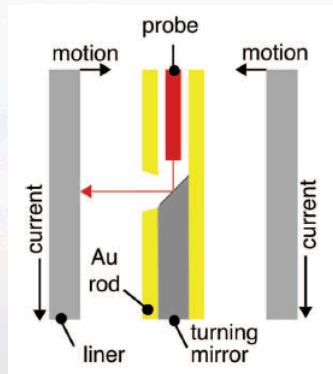
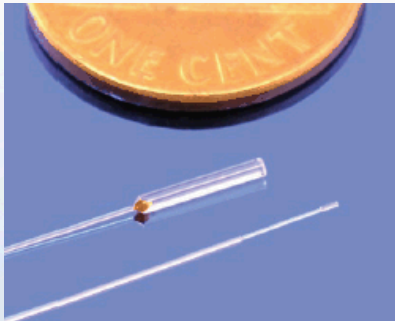


Cylindrical implosion reaches extreme pressure states



$I=20$ MA
 $R=0.1$ cm
 $P_B \approx 64$ Mbar

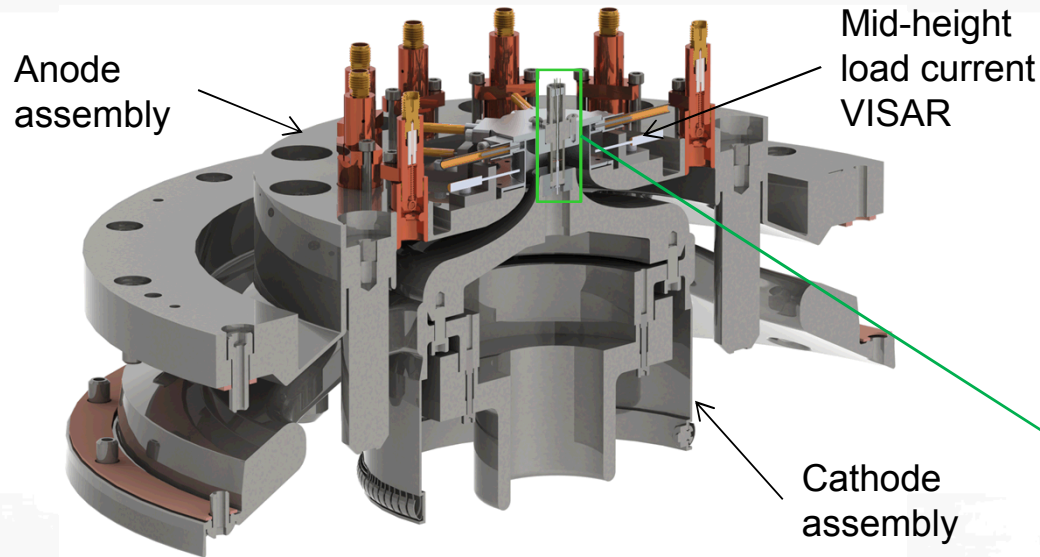
- **Current pulse shaping creates ramp-wave compression**
 - Quasi-isentropic compression to 20 Mbar



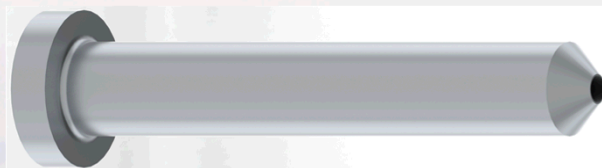
Diagnostics are challenging

- **Limited space**
 - Miniature PDV probes
- **Velocities well beyond 10 km/s**

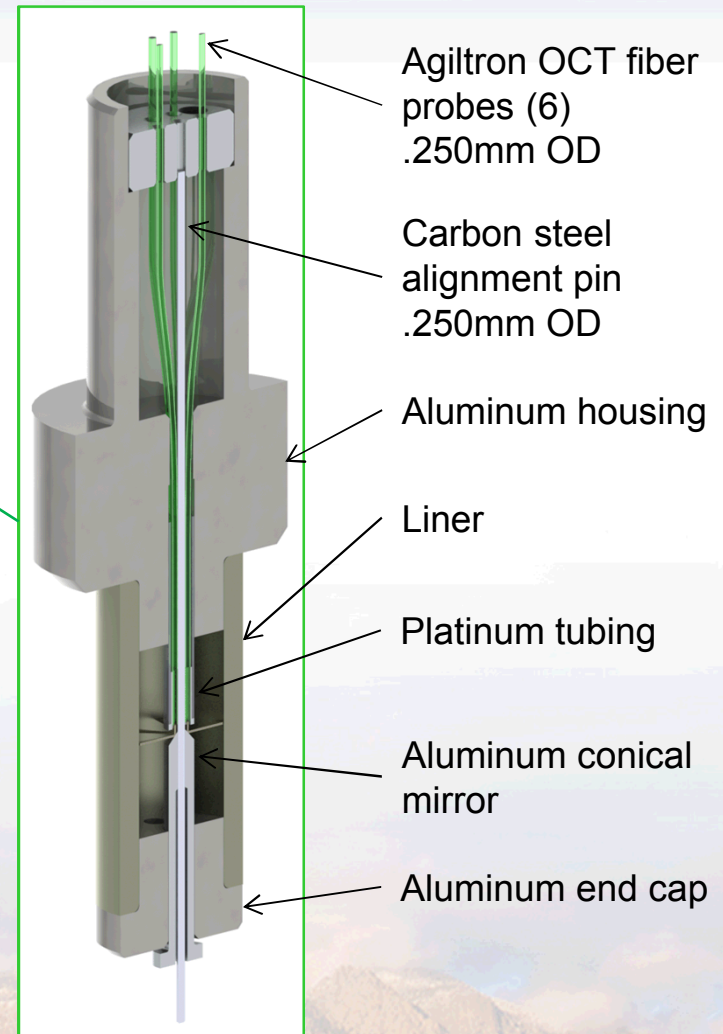
Multi-point design evaluates symmetry



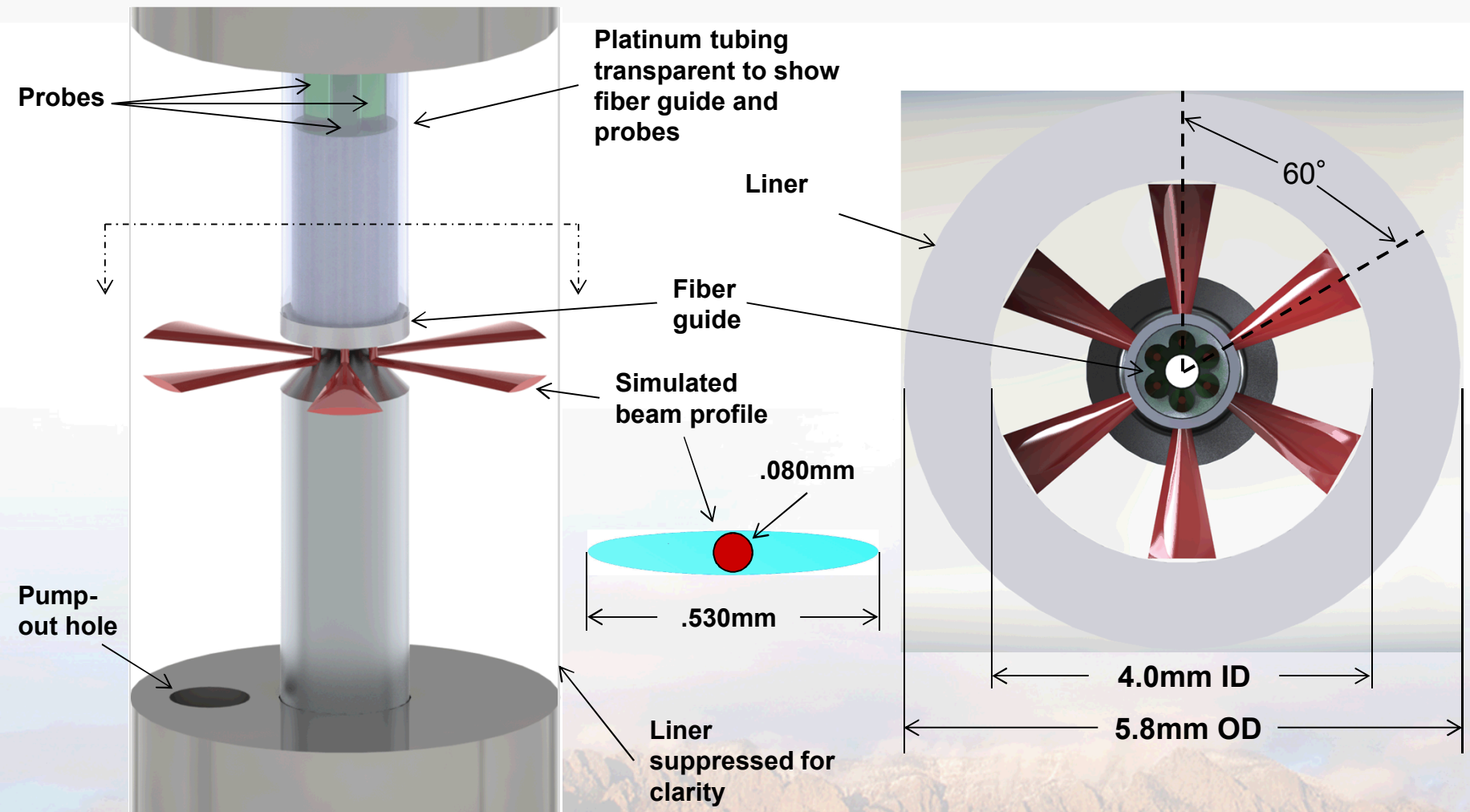
- ≈ 18.6 MA Load Current
- 10-20 km/s velocity (heavier liners)



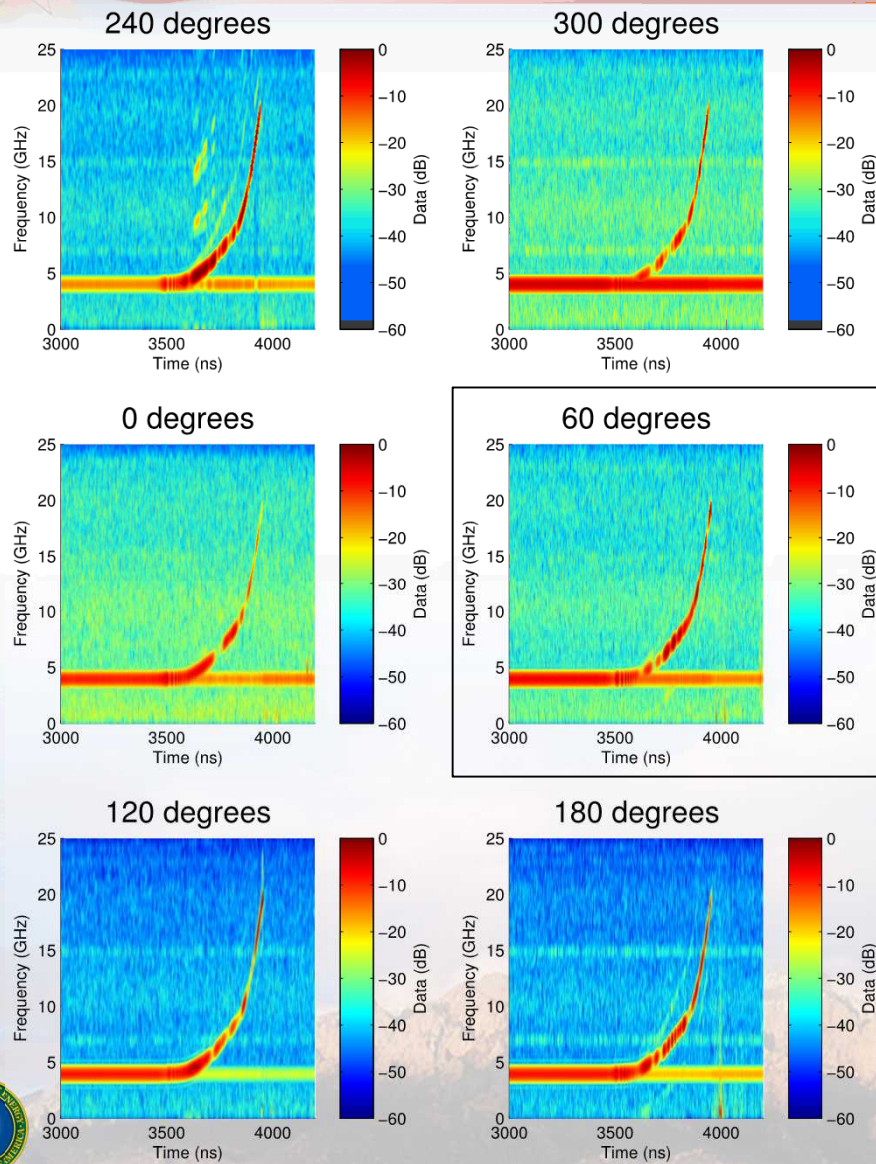
Conical mirror design



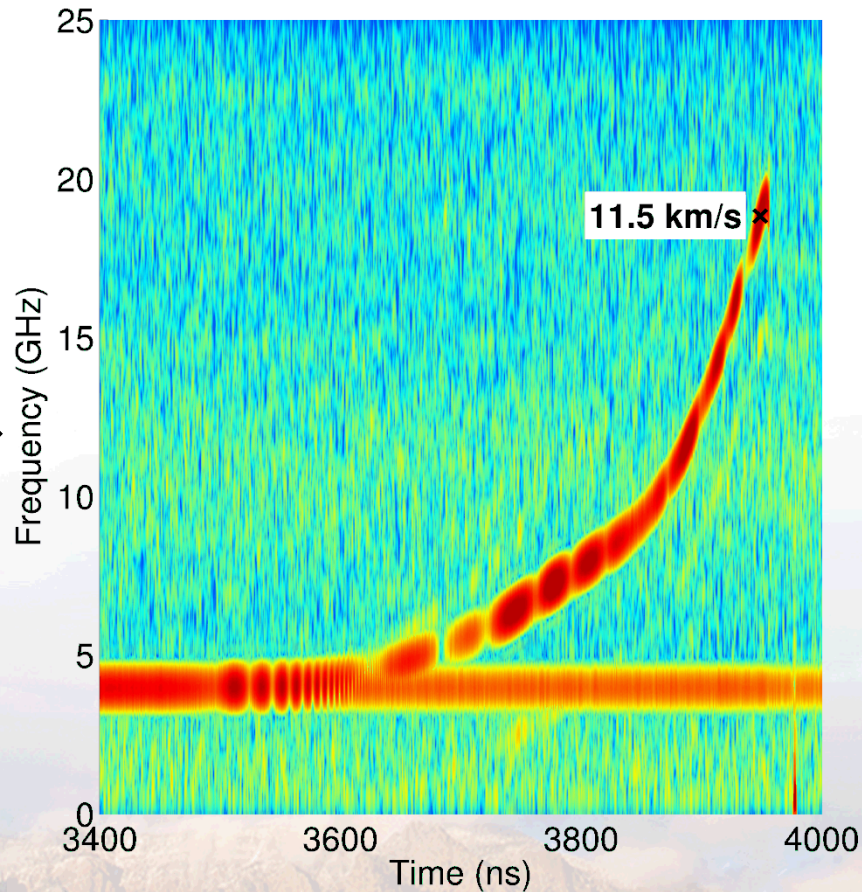
Measurements every 60 degrees



Symmetric results for Ta



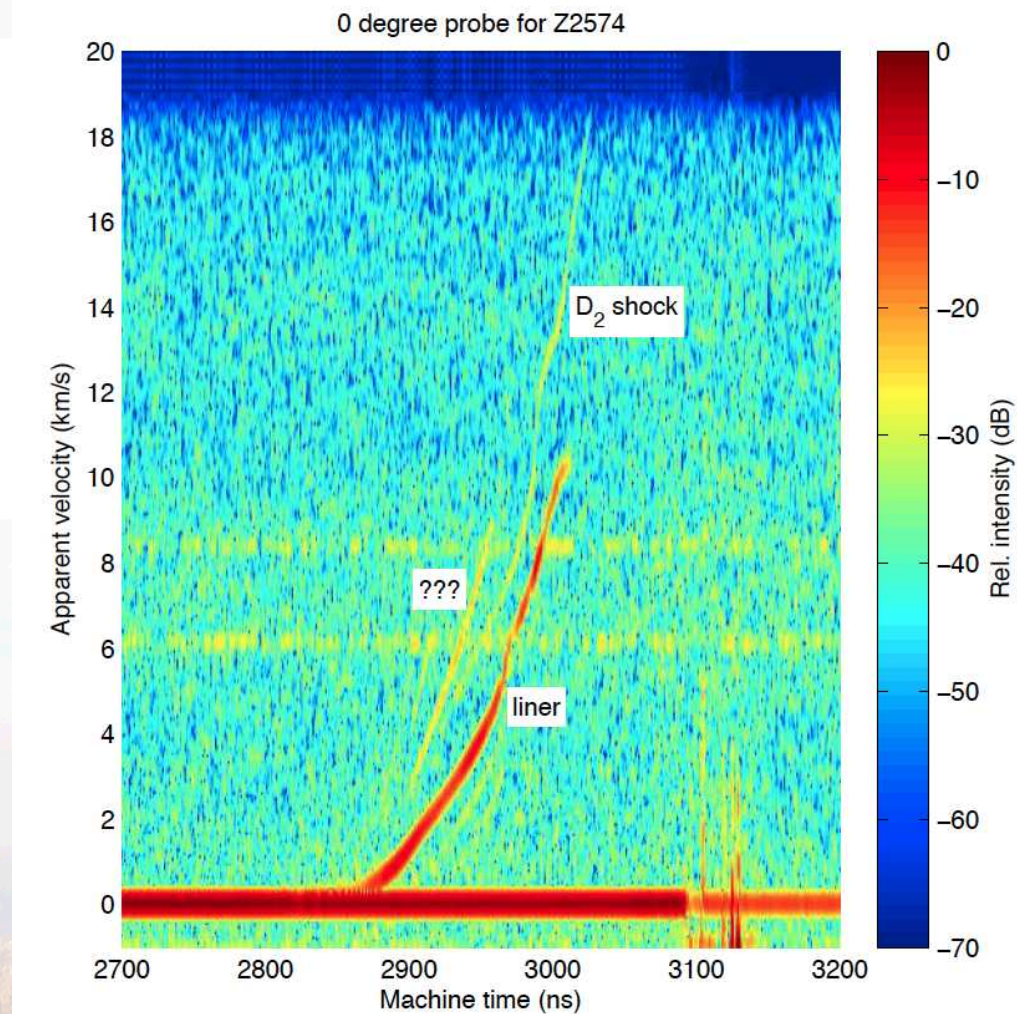
7.3 Mbar peak pressure (Al drive)



Hollow liner can be filled with a liquid

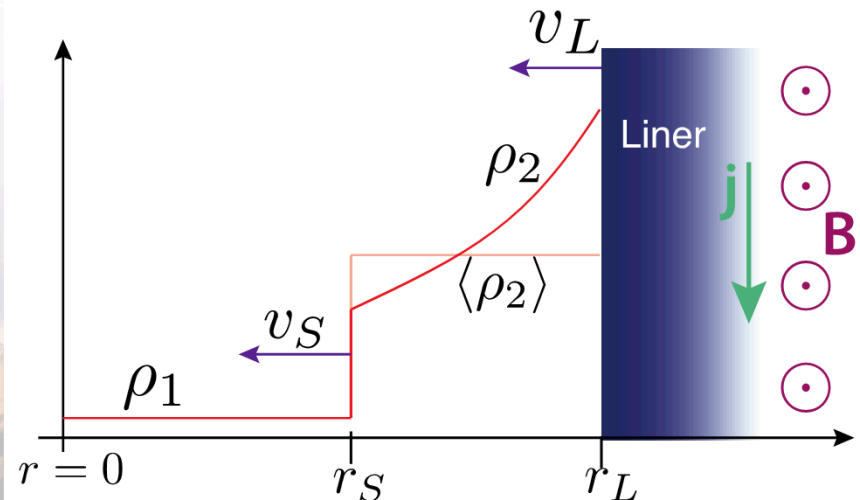
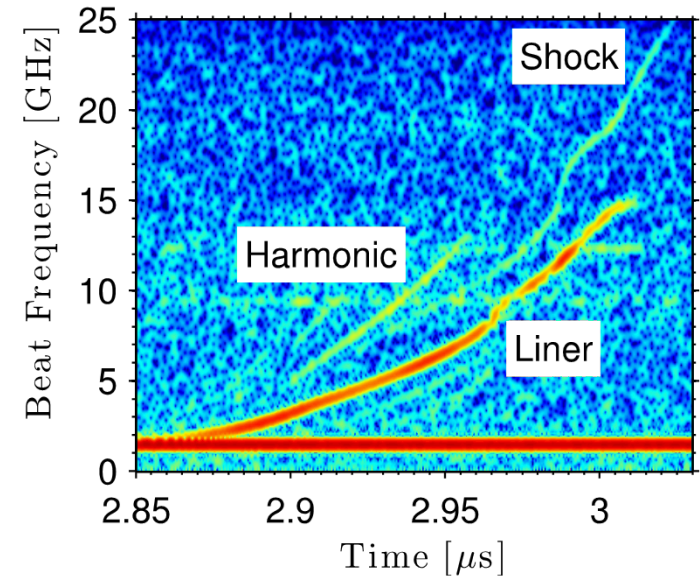
- **Eddy series:**

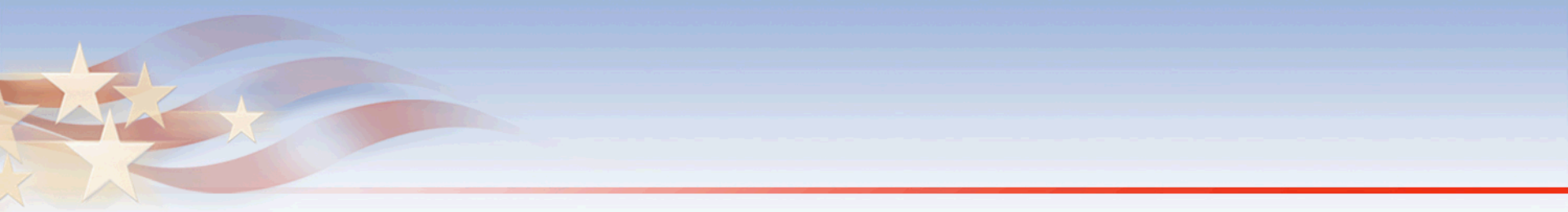
- Beryllium liner filled with liquid deuterium (20 K)
- Probe immersed in liquid
 - Survives condensation
 - Some fibers damaged during freeze/melt cycle
- “Chandelier” design
 - Conical mirror incorporated into the probe bundle
 - X-ray radiography performed underneath the PDV measurement



Eddy interpretation

- **Magnetic drive launches a ramp wave in the liner**
- **Ramp wave quickly becomes a shock wave in the liquid**
 - Liner reflection
 - D2 shock front (initially weak)
- **As the shock grows stronger, its reflectance increases**
 - Eventually light cannot reach the liner
- **Window corrections are complicated**
 - Ambient index unknown
 - No steady state





Planar impact



Planar impact measurement

- **Glow Discharge Polymer (GDP)**

- NIF ablator material
- Very little Hugoniot data

- **Ideal experiment**

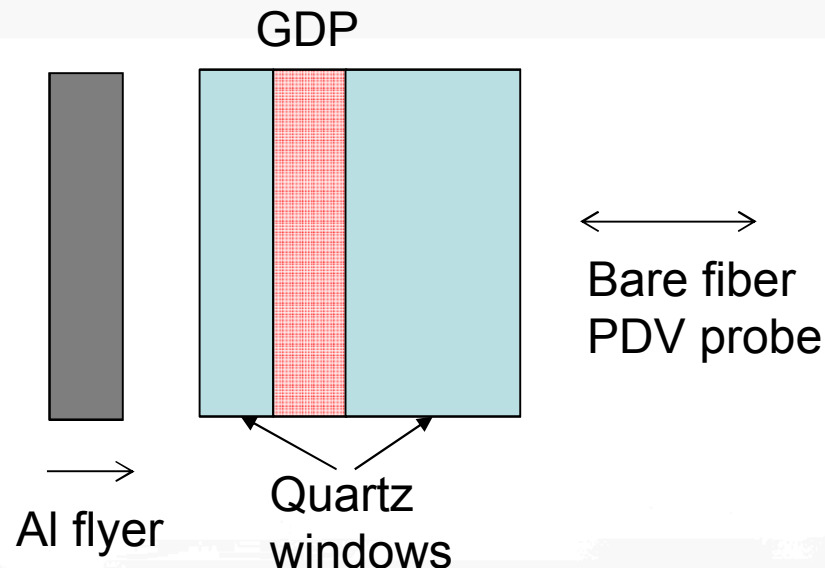
- Measure flyer velocity
- Measure GDP shock velocity
- Impedance match GDP to the flyer

- **Real experiment**

- Sample sealed between quartz windows to prevent oxygen absorption
- Impedance match to the front quartz window

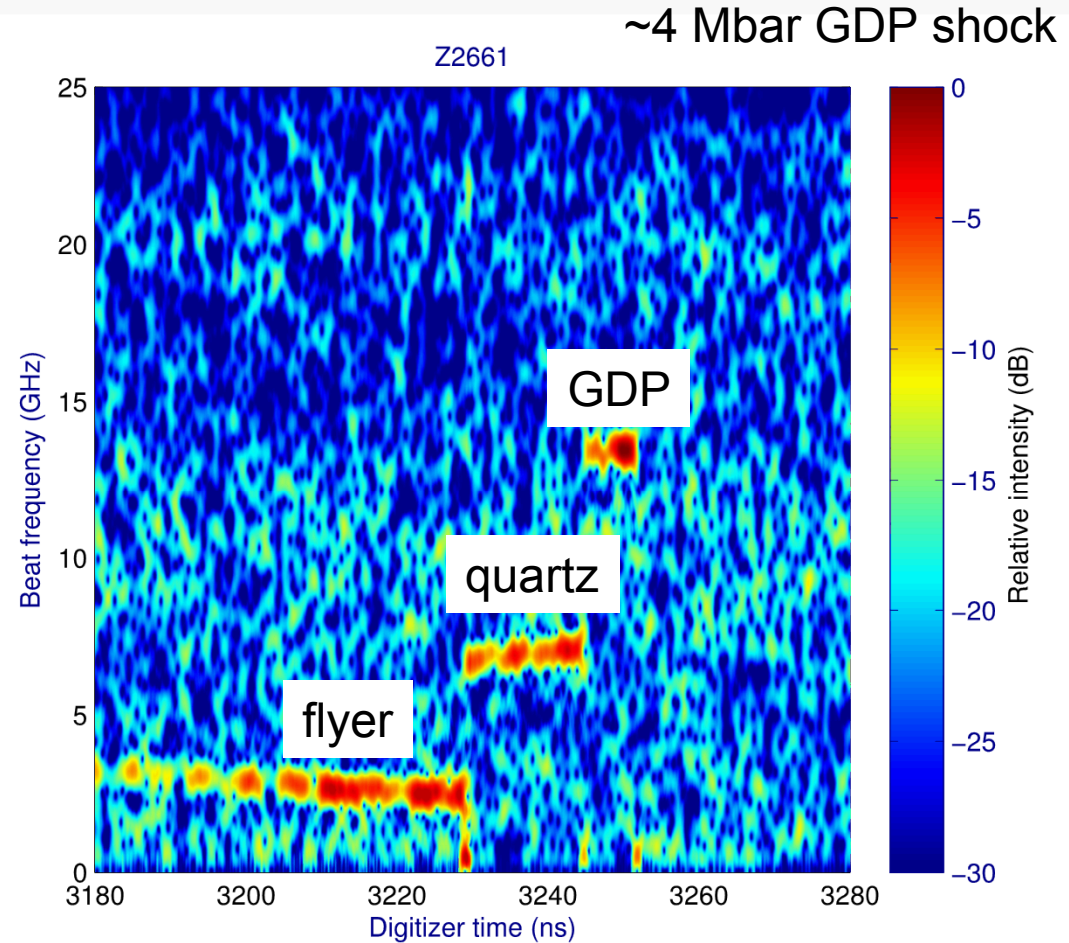
- **Characteristic velocities**

- Flyer: 25 km/s
- Shock: 20-30 km/s (apparent velocity ~50% higher)



GDP results

- **Offset frequency**
 - 35.148 ± 0.006 GHz
 - 27.257 ± 0.005 km/s
- **Flyer measurement**
 - 2.44 GHz beat
 - ~ 25.4 km/s (before bounce)
- **Quartz measurement**
 - 6.7-7.2 GHz beat
 - 32.5-32.9 km/s apparent velocity (after bounce)
- **GDP measurement**
 - 13.4 GHz beat
 - 37.6 km/s apparent velocity (after bounce)



Velocity-frequency mapping

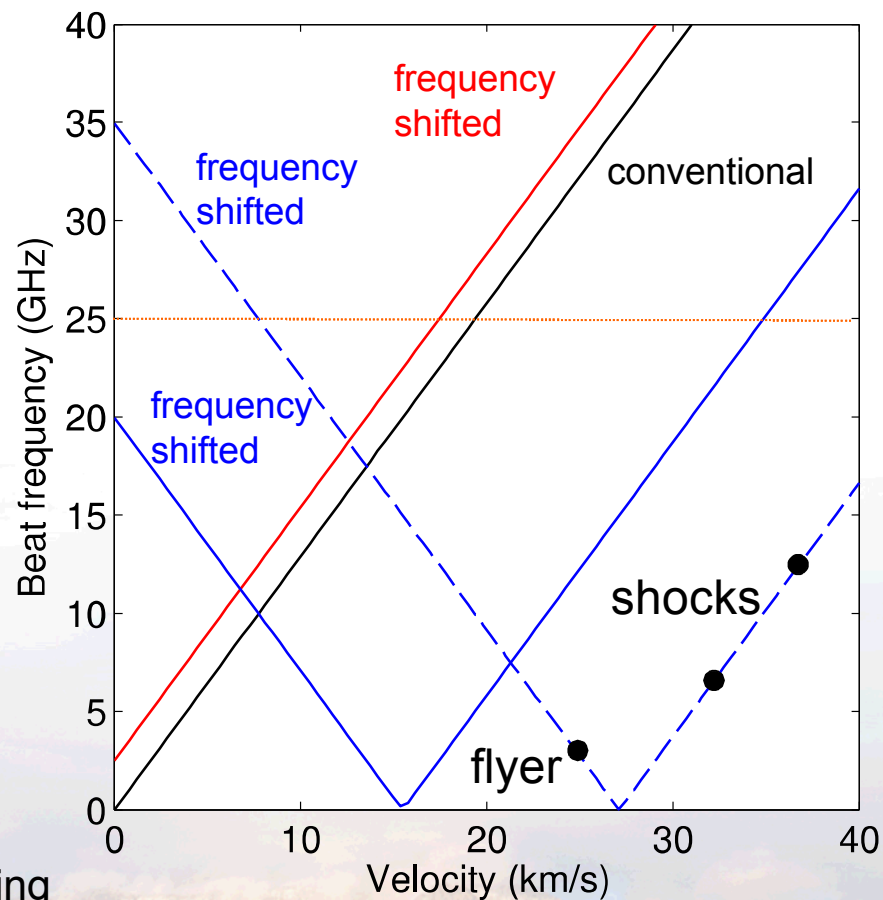
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