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Shockless compression of hydrated silicate glasses



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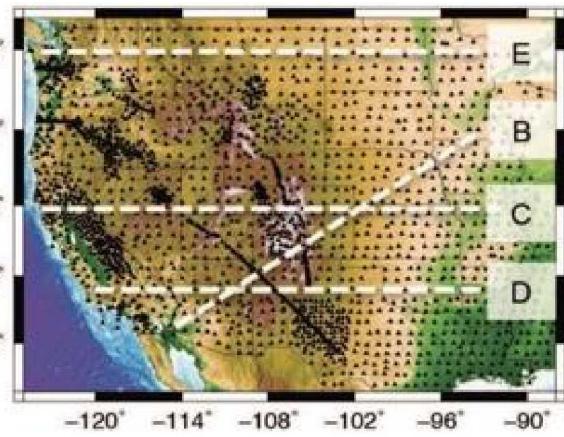
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Evidence has been growing that the mantle transition zone (MTZ) contains a significant amount of water ...

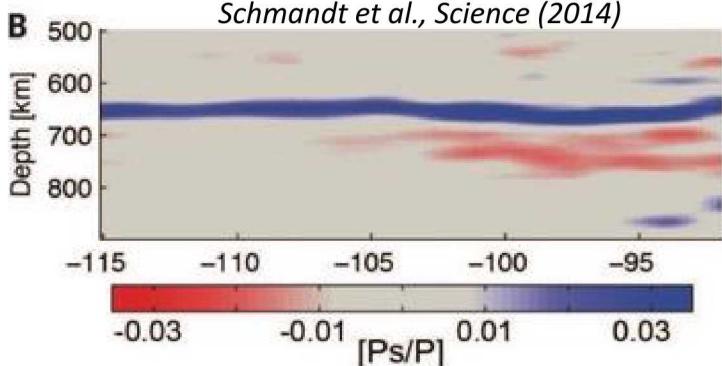


- MTZ = region between seismic discontinuities at 410-km (12 GPa) and 660-km (28 GPa) depths
- Low seismic velocities observed just above and just below the MTZ
 - Partial melting could explain low velocities
 - But present-day geotherm is **below** solidus of mantle minerals
- Polymorphs inside MTZ have high water solubility, those above and below do not
 - If MTZ hydrated, then mantle convection can cause melt by dehydration
- Recent discoveries of water in deep-mantle diamond inclusions

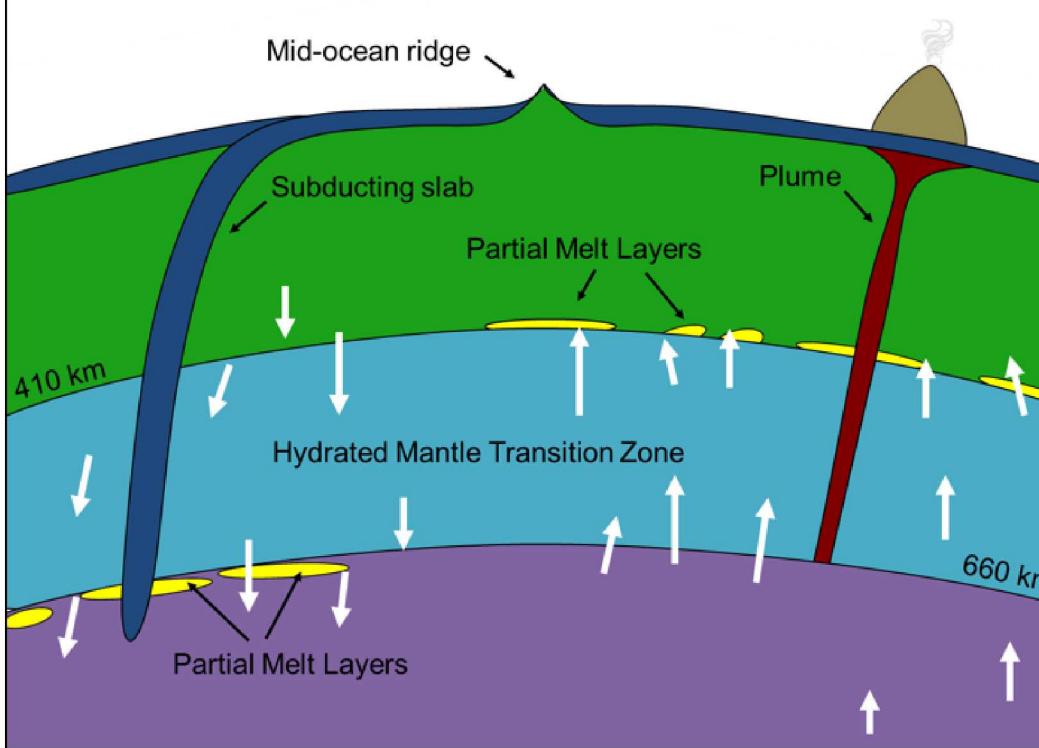
A



B



After: Bercovici and Karato (2003), Ohtani (2004), Hirschmann (2006), etc.

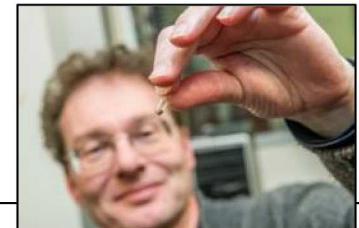
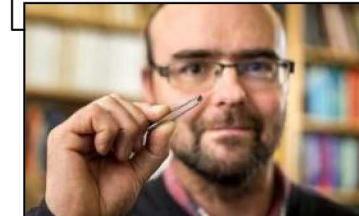


Pearson et al., *Nature* (2014)

LETTER

Hydrous mantle transition zone indicated by ringwoodite included within diamond

D. G. Pearson¹, F. E. Brenker², F. Nestola³, J. McNeill⁴, L. Nasdala², M. T. Hutchison⁵, S. Marreev², K. Mather⁶, G. Silversmit², S. Schmitz², B. Vekemans² & L. Vincze²



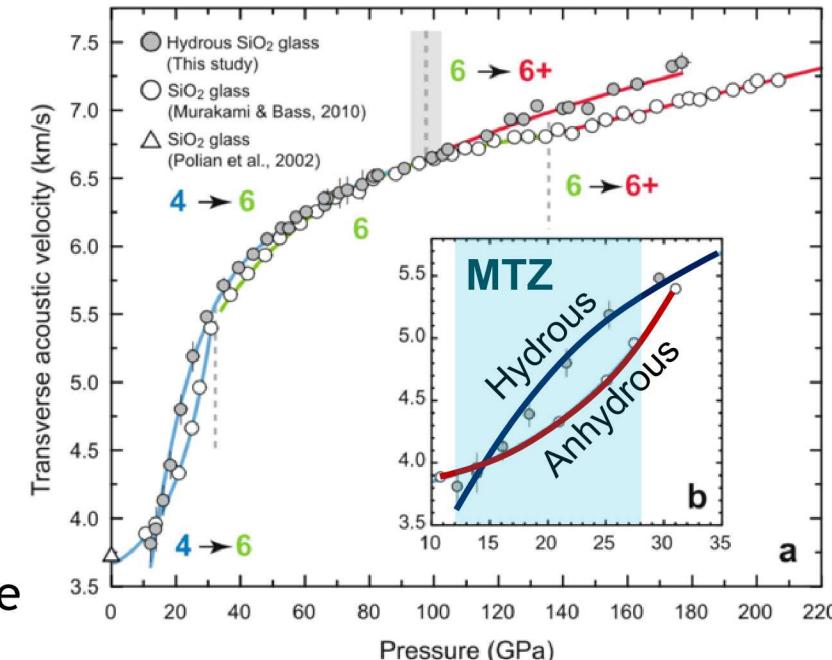
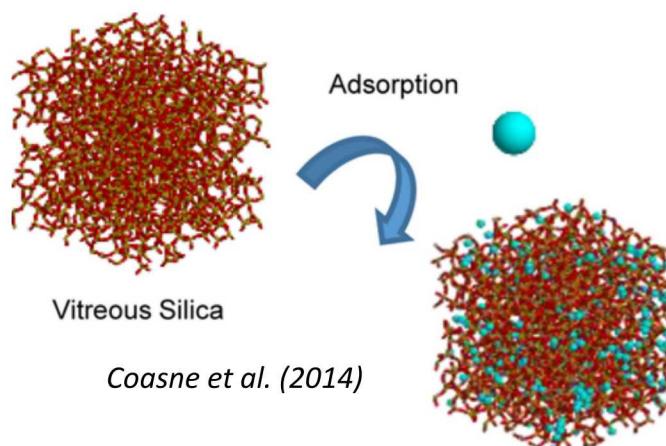
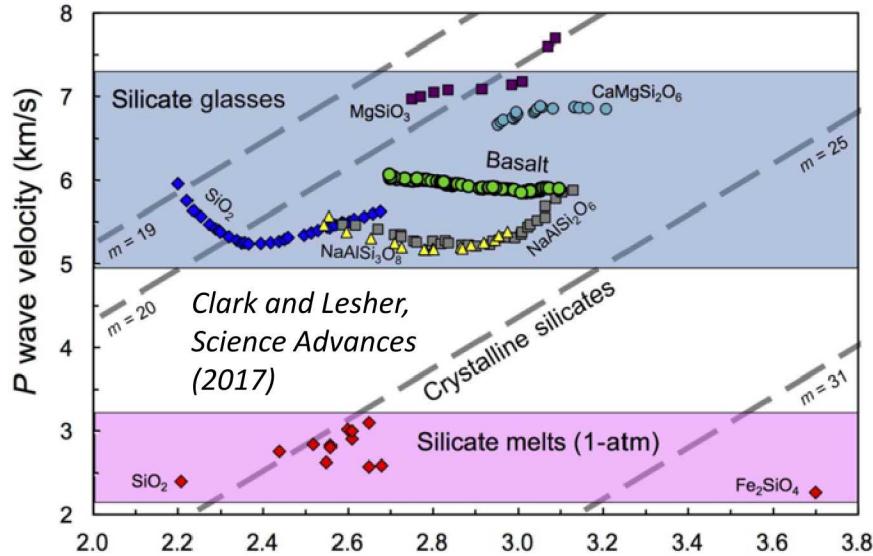
GEOCHEMISTRY

Ice-VII inclusions in diamonds: Evidence for aqueous fluid in Earth's deep mantle

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Tschauner et al., *Science* (2018)

... leading to increased interest in equation-of-state (EOS) measurements of silicate melts & glasses at MTZ pressures

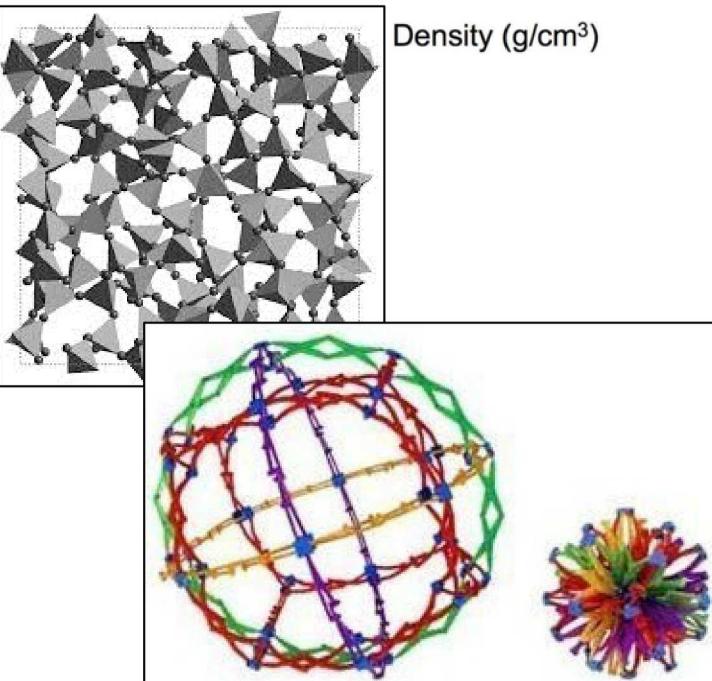


Murakami, *Scientific Reports* (2018)

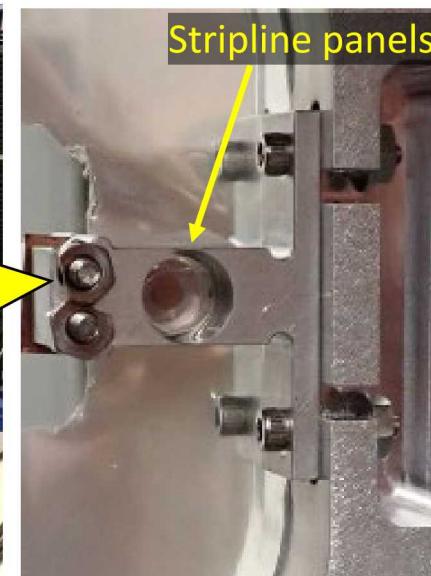
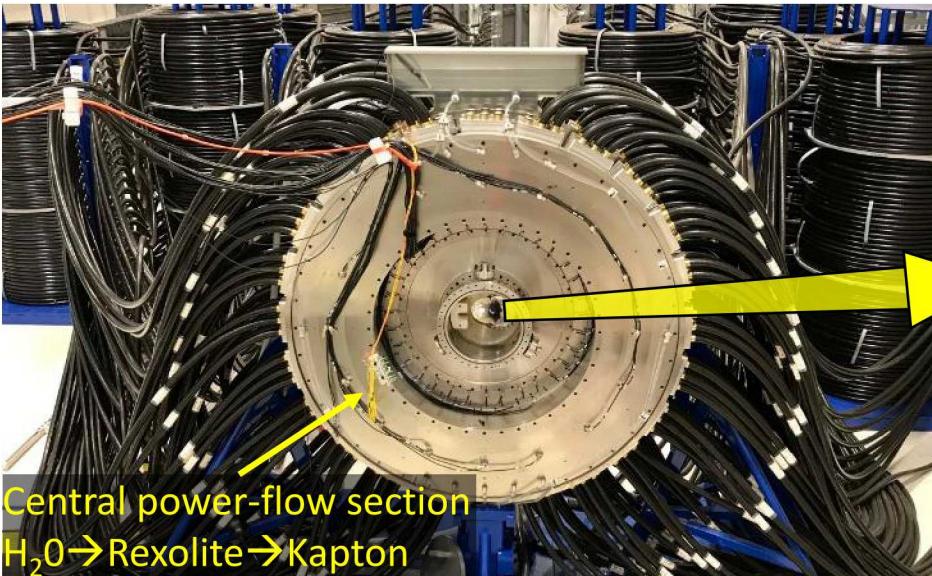
- “Densification” over some pressure range
 - Anomalous compressibility
 - Acoustic velocity depends weakly on pressure/density
 - Structural modification without changing structure (coordination increases)
- H_2O incorporated differently than into crystalline materials
 - Fill interstitial voids and/or bond as silanol ($\text{Si}-\text{O}-\text{H}$) groups
 - Reduces compressibility (stiffer compression response)
 - Effect’s dependence on pressure, temperature, composition unknown
- Hydration-dependence of elastic properties under quasi-isentropic (ramped) compression needed to interpret MTZ-related seismic data

Z-Machine Fundamental Science Project to shock-melt then ramp

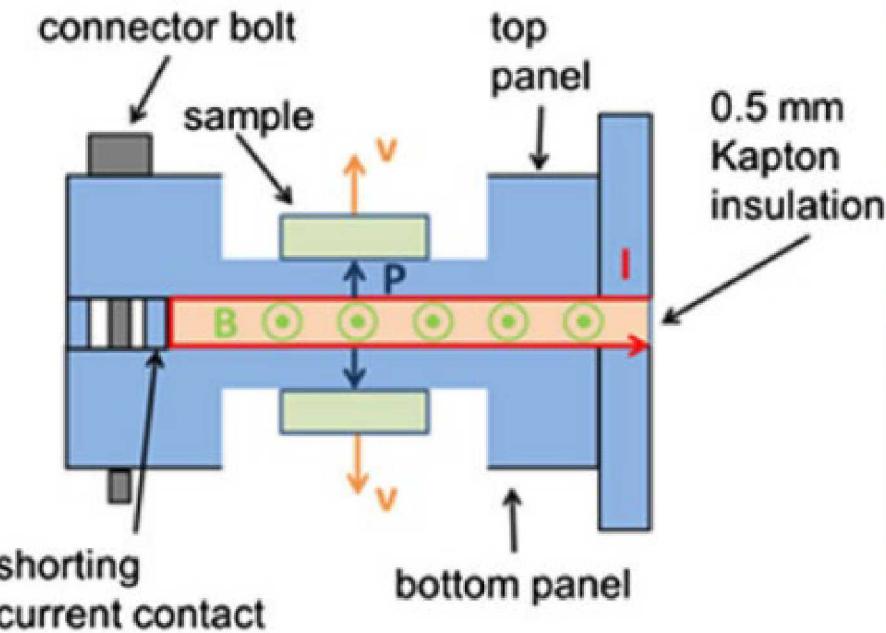
- Complemented by pure-ramp experiments on Thor small pulser



The Thor64 pulsed-power machine is a new facility at Sandia for magnetically-driven dynamic shockless compression of materials



- 64 “bricks” (2 capacitors + 1 switch) arranged in 8 towers
- Machine stores 51 kJ electrical energy when charged to 90 kV
- Switching all bricks synchronously delivers ~2.5 MA to a standard load
- Stripline = parallel flat-plate electrodes shorted at one end
- Ramped $J \times B$ force induces ramped stress wave in electrode material
- Wave propagates to sample material, de-coupled from magnetic field
- Both electrodes loaded identically while symmetric
- Fiber-coupled, laser-based velocimetry (PDV, VISAR)



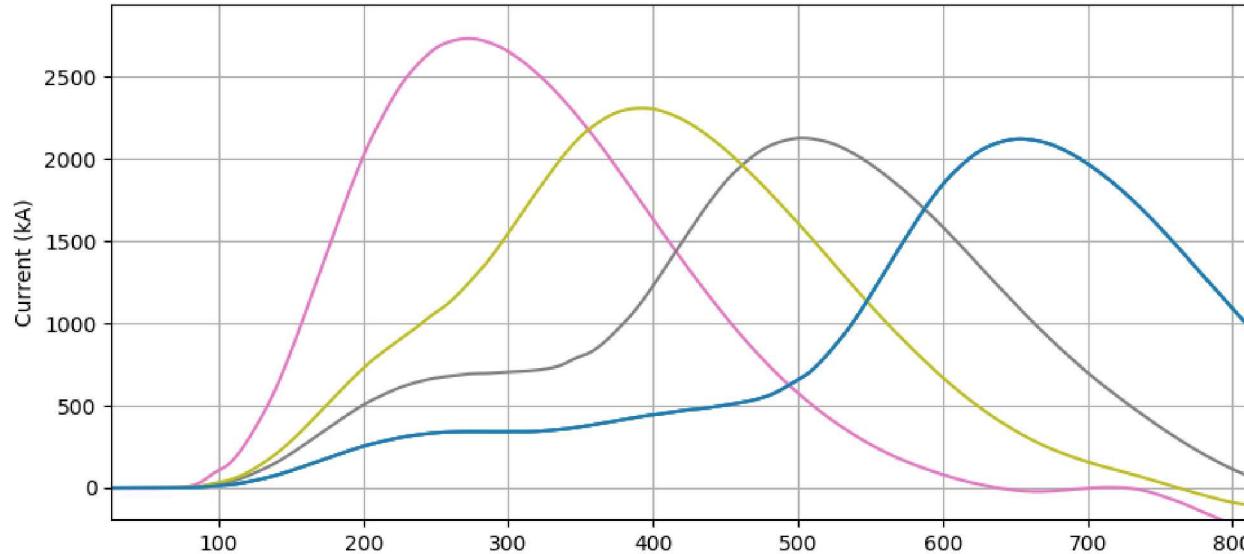
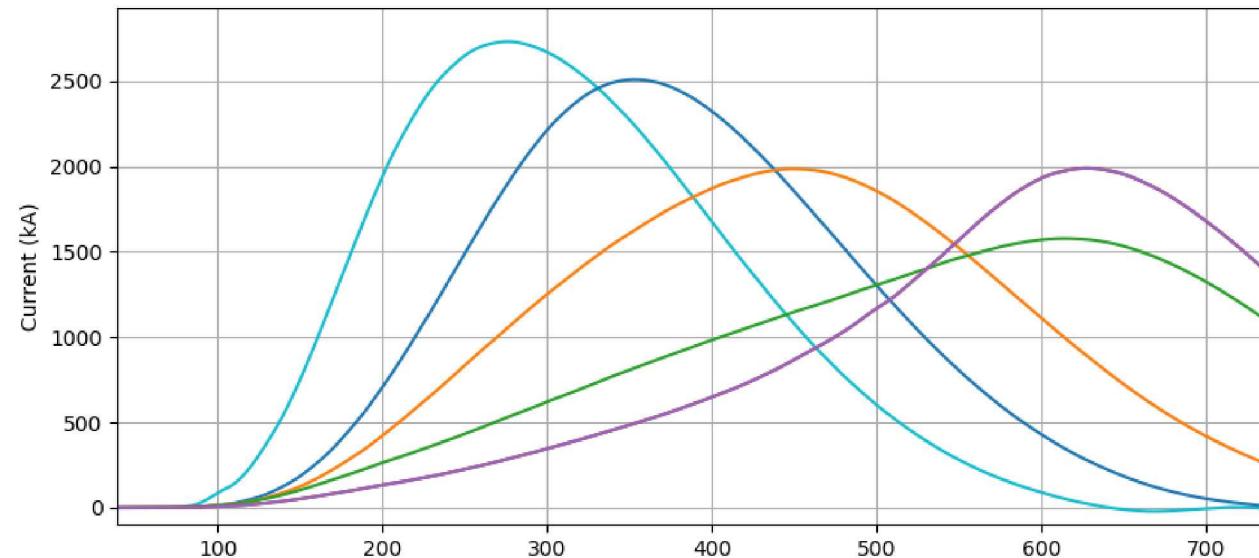
Thor64's modular energy storage and transit-time isolation allow simple yet fine control of the current pulse shape



Each brick can be independently switched (in practice, trigger them in groups of 4)

Long cables → time isolation of switches

- 500-ns round-trip from brick to load and back = maximum spread in trigger times
- Vary loading rate by a factor of ~10 by changing trigger times and load panel width
 - Increasing rise time decreases peak current → lower magnetic pressure for given load geometry
 - Decreasing stripline panel width increases magnetic pressure → higher dP/dt for given pulse shape
- For shorter pulses ~2.4 MA peak current...
 - 10-mm wide stripline → ~20 GPa
 - 8-mm wide stripline → ~30 GPa
 - 6-mm wide stripline → ~40 GPa
- Double-ramp pulse shapes, flat-topped pulse shapes, etc.



Experiments have been performed on “dry” (100-ppm H₂O) and “slightly damp” (400-ppm H₂O) Mg-SiO₂ glasses



Collaborating with Corning, Inc. to manufacture samples of hydrated silicate glasses

- Proprietary process based on pioneering work of R. F. Bartholomew et al. from 1980's
- Working on Mg-SiO₂, Na-SiO₂, and pure SiO₂ glasses with up to several weight-% water
- Samples available thus far for Thor experiments have been low-water (100/400 ppm) Mg-SiO₂

Six shots completed to date on Thor:

HSG01 - dry, 440 μm, 10-mm wide panel

- Long shaped pulse (avoid shock)

HSG02 - dry, 693 μm

- Smoother pulse shape

HSG03 - dry, 455 μm

- Shorter pulse, higher P

HSG04 - damp, 444 μm

- Repeat last pulse

HSG05 - dry, 465 μm

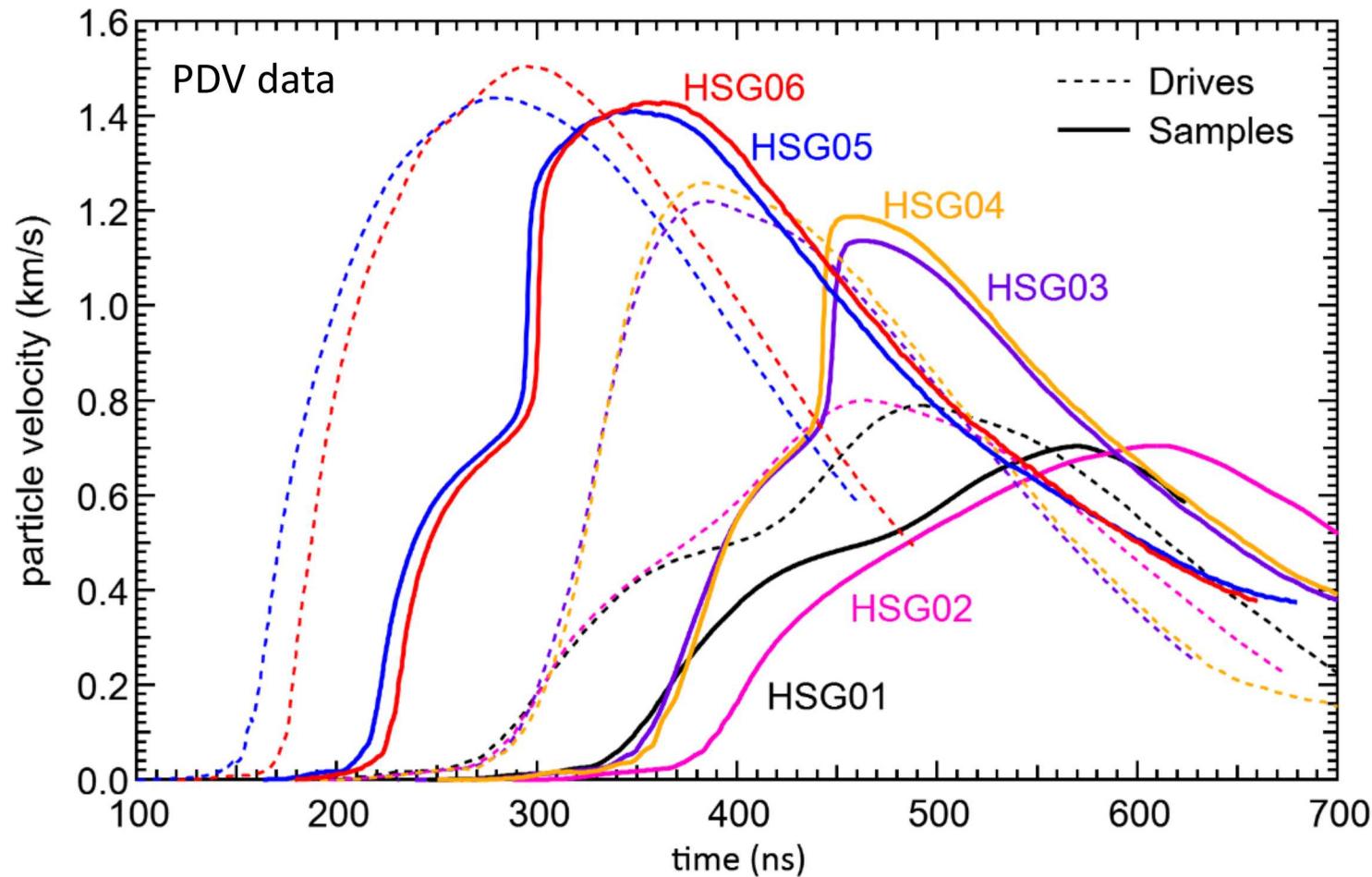
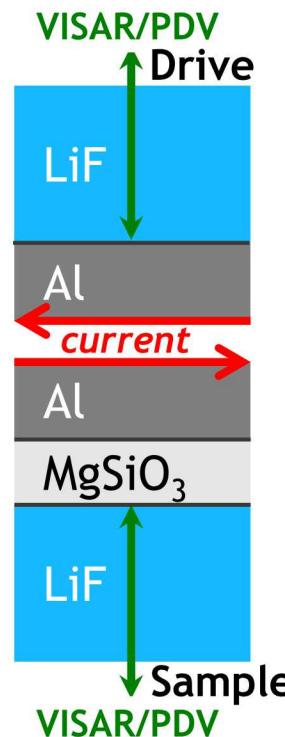
- 8-mm panel, higher P

HSG06 - damp, 446 μm

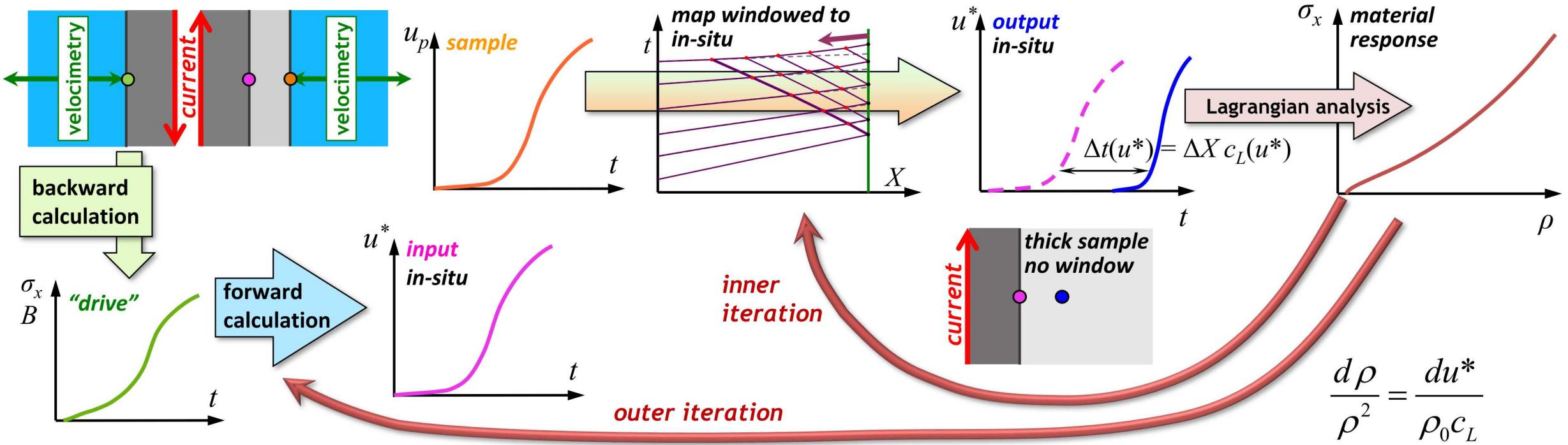
- Repeat last pulse

PDV 4 channels

VISAR 8 channels



Iterative Lagrangian analysis (ILA) determines stress-density path from velocimetry of LiF-windowed “drive” and sample



- in-situ measurements \rightarrow Direct Lagrangian Analysis (DLA)
- real measurements are free-surface or window-interface
 - map measured $u(t)$ into in-situ $u^*(t)$, then apply DLA
 - map by iterative characteristics technique
 - referred to as Iterative Lagrangian Analysis (ILA)
 - *assumes single-valued $\sigma_x(p)$ material response*
 - **Single-sample approach:** use drive velocity to deduce sample input

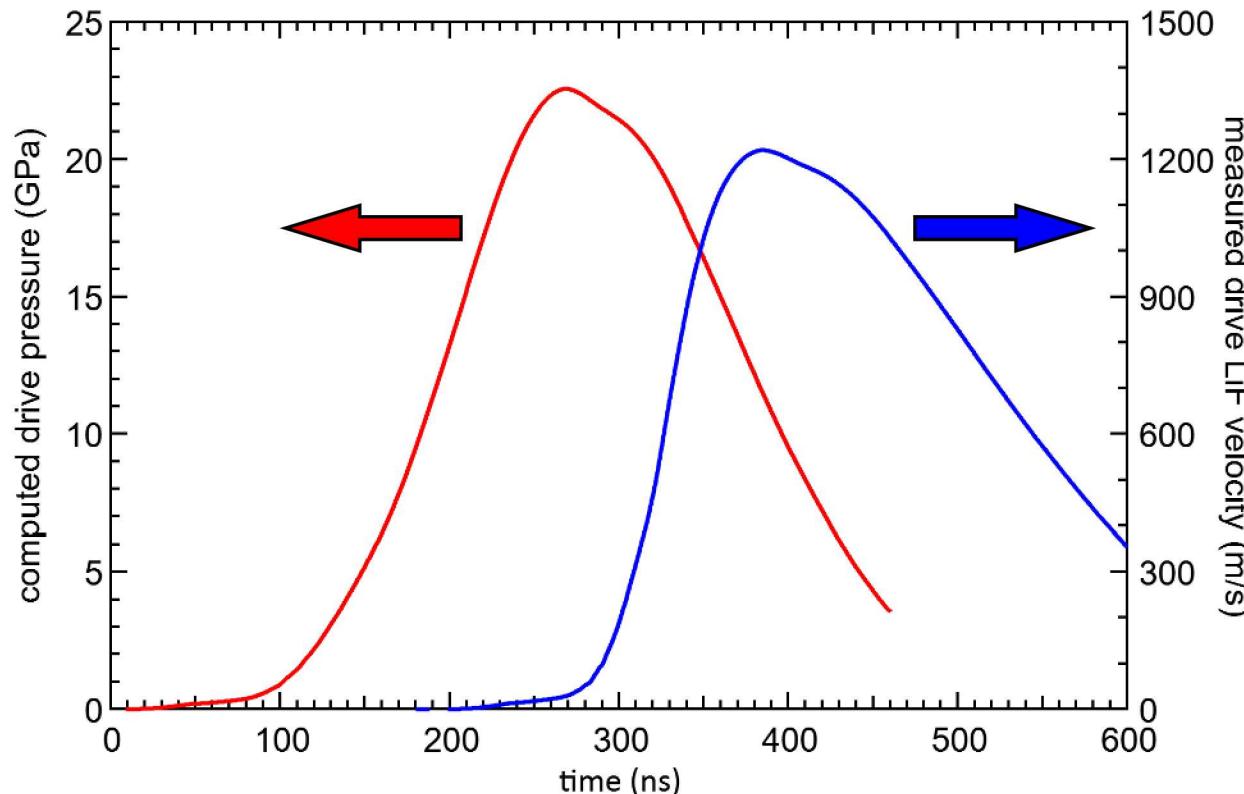
S. D. Rothman & J. Maw (2006)
 J.-P. Davis et al. (2014)

Conservation of mass and momentum
 Uni-axial strain condition
 u_p = particle (mass) velocity
 u^* = “compression velocity” (mechanical-EOS variable)
 σ_x = longitudinal stress ($P = \sigma_x/3 + 2\sigma_y/3$)
 X = Lagrangian (initial) thickness
 c_L = Lagrangian sound velocity

$$\frac{d\rho}{\rho^2} = \frac{du^*}{\rho_0 c_L}$$

$$d\sigma_x = \rho_0 c_L d u^*$$

A couple details from application of ILA procedure to these data

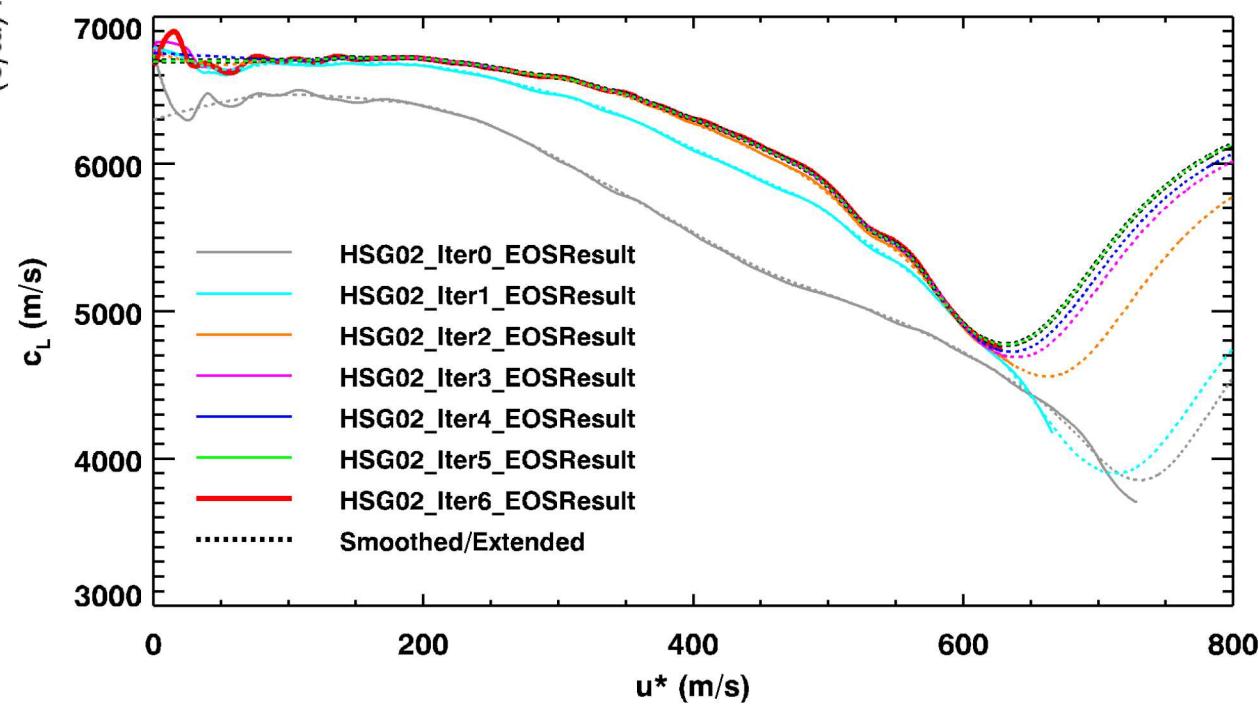


Determine driving pressure by backward integration

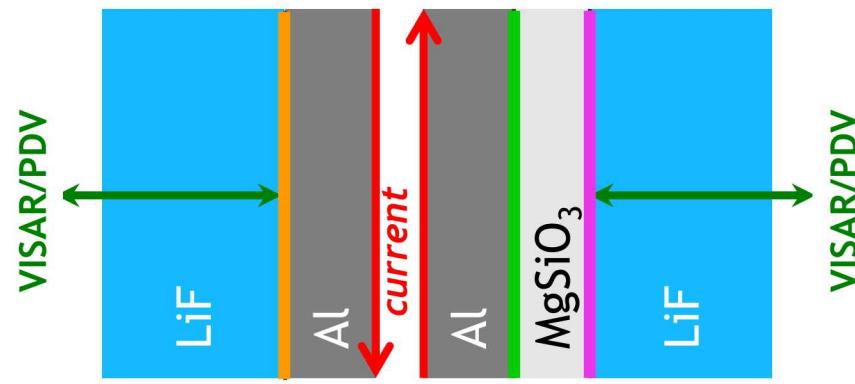
- equations of motion, EOS (neglect strength of Al)
- “equivalent” pressure to reproduce sample input w/o MHD
- valid until acoustic reverberation couples B-field to sample
- simulate sample input using same no-strength Al response

Outer iteration loop to recompute sample input

- Must extend $c_L(u^*)$ beyond previous result to simulate
- Smooth $c_L(u^*)$ below ~100 m/s
- Convergence typically in < 10 iterations



Some experiments had non-negligible bond layer thickness



Bond layer $< 2 \mu\text{m}$ thick can generally be neglected

Sample-window bond:

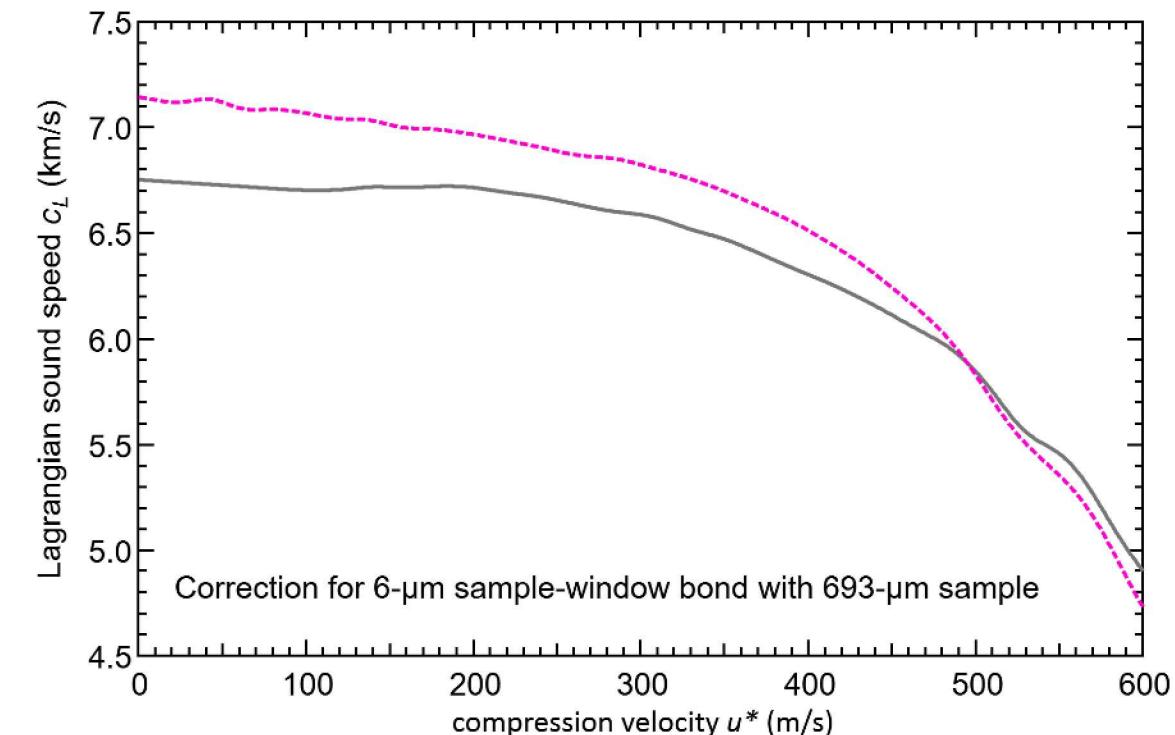
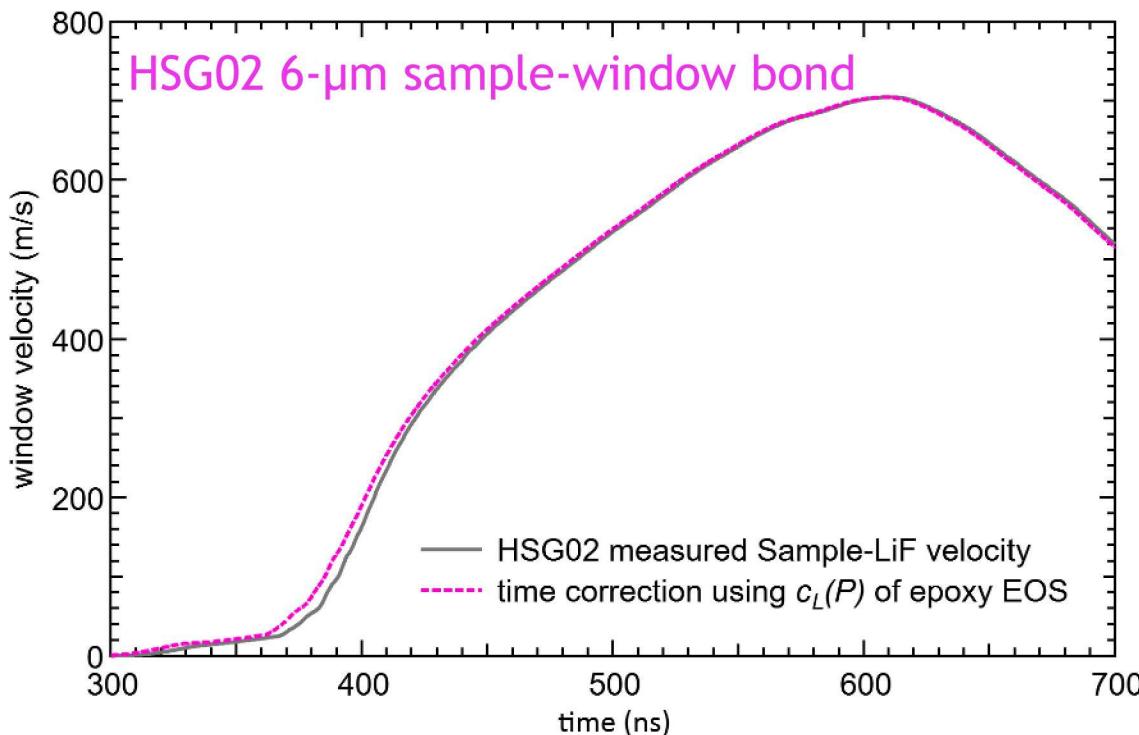
- correct measured $u_p(t)$ by adjusting t using epoxy $c_L(P)$

Electrode-sample bond:

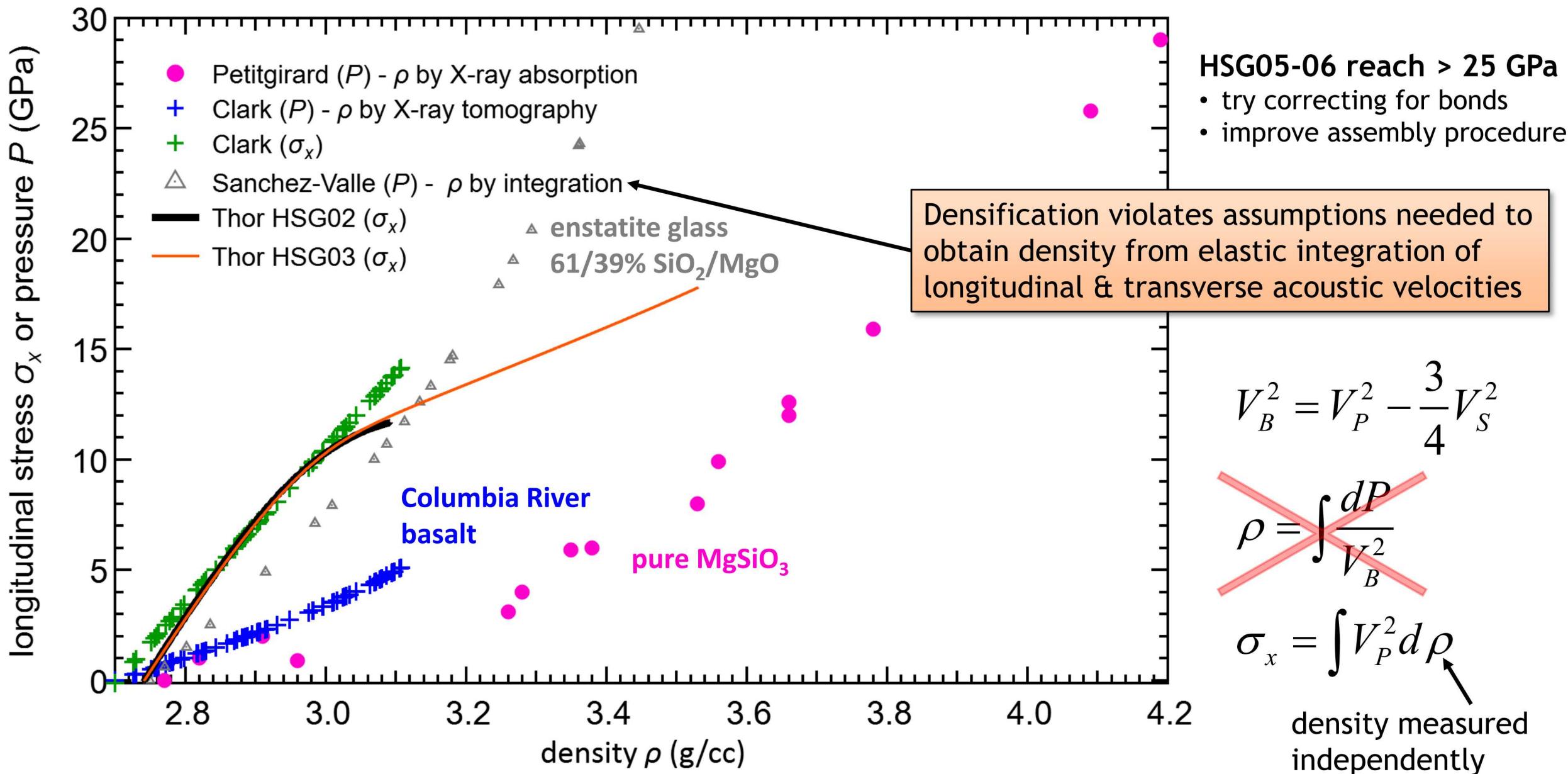
- include in simulation of input $u^*(t)$

Drive electrode-window bond: HSG05 19 μm , HSG06 43 μm (!)

- Determine $P_{drive}(t)$ by optimization using simulations



Preliminary results of two Thor shots suggest densification begins above longitudinal stress of 10 GPa, not complete by 18 GPa



HSG05-06 reach > 25 GPa

- try correcting for bonds
- improve assembly procedure

Densification violates assumptions needed to obtain density from elastic integration of longitudinal & transverse acoustic velocities

$$V_B^2 = V_P^2 - \frac{3}{4} V_S^2$$

~~$$\rho = \int \frac{dP}{V_B^2}$$~~

$$\sigma_x = \int V_P^2 d\rho$$

density measured independently

Plenty more work to do



- Include VISAR data, quantify experimental uncertainties
- Correct for thick glue bonds at drive-measurement window
- Analyze all six Thor shots, including HSG05, HSG06 to higher peak stress
- Further experiments at Thor on pure SiO_2 glass at 0.5 ppm and 1000 ppm H_2O
 - These materials will be used on Z machine in two weeks for shock-melt-then-ramp experiments
- Further experiments at Thor on “wet” (~15,000 ppm H_2O) Mg-SiO_2 and Na-SiO_2 glasses when available

Measurements of compressibility in glasses (hydrous and anhydrous) will complement measurements in melts
elastic properties under quasi-isentropic (ramped) compression needed to interpret MTZ-related seismic data