# 800 MeV Proton Radiography





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### LANSCE Experimental Areas



- Lujan Center
  - National security research
  - Materials, bio-science, and nuclear physics
  - National user facility

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- National security research
- Nuclear Physics
- Neutron Irradiation
- Proton Radiography
  - National security research
  - Dynamic Materials science,
  - Hydrodynamics
- Isotope Production Facility
   Medical radioisotopes





### 800 MeV pRad Facility at LANSCE



## **Temporal Resolution**





## Resolution of 12" Lens





Bare resolution (rms)
Station 1: 178 μm
Station 2: 280 μm









# X3 Magnifier

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2.5 lp/mm

- 4 inch lens
- <u>Station 1: 65 μm</u>
- Gaussian blur function.
- 42 mm field of view



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# X7 Magnifier





- 1 inch lens
- Station 1: 30 μm
- Gaussian blur function.
- 17 mm field of view



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#### Powder Gun Driven Equation Of State Measurements





Copper 1.4 km/s



1.4 km/s





### Powder Gun Al/Cu Equation Of State







TABLE I. Summary of the experiments with the uncertainties for each quantity shown in parentheses.

Experiment	Impactor/ sample	Impactor velocity (mm/µs)	Peak stress (GPa)	Initial density (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	Calculated density (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	Measured density (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	Agreement
1	Al 6061-T6	1.452	12.27	2.710	3.067	3.070	0.1%
		(0.012)	(0.11)	(0.003)	(0.005)	(0.025)	
2	Al 6061-T6	1.422	11.98	2.710	3.060	3.056	0.1%
		(0.002)	(0.03)	(0.003)	(0.004)	(0.020)	
3	OFHC Cu	1.30	28.59	8.928	10.30	10.28	0.2%
		(0.04)	(0.91)	(0.003)	(0.05)	(0.08)	
4	OFHC Cu	1.249	27.16	8.928	10.241	10.28	0.4%
		(0.002)	(0.06)	(0.003)	(0.006)	(0.08)	



## Solid-Solid Phase Transitions in Iron



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A comparison of spall for different materials

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15.7µs 12% open

17.8µs 22% open

20.0µs 29% open

22.1µs 40% open

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### Material Strength Experiments



<sup>\*</sup>D.L.Preston, et al. J.Appl. Phys. **93**, 211 (2003). <sup>\*\*</sup> D. J. Steinberg, et al. J.Appl. Phys. **61**, 1816 (1987).

### Rictmyer-Meshkov Instability Growth in Gasses



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### Static Objects: Surrogate Nuclear Fuel Rods





Halfnium Oxide surrogate fuel rod.





### **Filtered Back Projection**







### Filtered Back Projection: Defects in Pellet #4, Slices 78 to 93



Fainter 250  $\mu$ m long by ~150 to 200  $\mu$ m diameter inclusions are shown in the circles





## Summary

## 800 MeV Proton Radiography

- Three imaging lens systems
  - $-\,180~\mu m$  with 120 mm field of view
  - 65  $\,\mu m$  with 42 mm field of view
  - 30  $\,\mu m$  with 17 mm field of view
- 1-50 g/cm<sup>2</sup> object thickness.
- ~40 images, 100 ns exposure over < 1 ms</li>





Blade Motion at 27K and 55K rpm



Turbo pump at 1.46 GeV/c and 7.5 GeV/c

Radiograph

Areal density

Volume density







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## Sensitivity with 800 MeV Protons



Areal density contours of constant transmission as a function of atomic number.

10% transmission is near the lower limit of reasonable transmission.

Perform experiments less than ~50 g/cm<sup>2</sup> with 800 MeV proton Radiography



### Dynamic Range of 800 MeV Proton Radigraphy



• 800 MeV proton radiography ranges from ~1 g/cm<sup>2</sup> up to 50 g/cm<sup>2</sup>  $_{21}$ /

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