Measurements of Sound Velocity and Grüneisen Parameter in CH Shocked to 800 GPa

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Summary

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- The Grüneisen parameter of the material behind the shock front is determined from its sound velocity and the slope of its Hugoniot curve
- The sound-speed measurements are predicted by most models
- The measured Grüneisen parameter exhibits a decrease at lower pressures, which is likely caused by dissociation and ionization
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The high-pressure sound speed and Grüneisen parameter are important for inertial confinement fusion, EOS* measurements, and geophysics.

- For shock-timing, shock mergers and rarefaction waves depend on sound speed in the shocked ablator material.
- The release of shocked material is modeled by Mie–Grüneisen EOS
  \[ P - P_H = \frac{\Gamma}{V}(E - E_H) \]
- The sound velocity \( c_s^2 = \left(\frac{dP}{dV}\right)_p \) and Grüneisen parameter \( \Gamma = V\left(\frac{dP}{dE}\right)_v \) define derivatives across the Hugoniot curve and can provide information about off-Hugoniot states.

*EOS: equation of state
Pressure perturbations propagate at the local sound speeds in the shocked quartz witness and CH sample.

The difference in arrival times is used to infer sound speed.
Unsteady wave analysis* is used to propagate acoustic waves through shocked material

- Equations describing time dilation of acoustic disturbances across regions of flow are dependent on Mach numbers.

- For example, a receding shock is given by: \( \frac{dt_1}{dt_0} = \frac{1 + M_1}{1 + M_0} \)

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Velocity-perturbation profiles are transformed (using $F$ and $G$) to match reference material; these provide sound speed

$$\delta u_w(t - t_1) = G\delta u_s[(t - t_1)F^{-1}]$$

$$M_{S2,d} = 1 - \frac{(1 - M_{S1,d})(1 + M_{R1,d})}{F(1 + M_{R1,u})}$$

$$C_s = \frac{p}{U \rho} M_{S2,d}$$
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- The sound velocity $c_s$ gives the slope of an isentrope at a point where it intersects the Hugoniot curve.
- Two slopes define an infinitesimal pressure–volume area, providing $dE$ for
  \[
  \Gamma = V \left( \frac{dP}{dE} \right)_v
  \]
- From the definition of the Grüneisen parameter:
  \[
  \Gamma = \frac{2 \left[ V \left( \frac{dP}{dV} \right)_H + c_s^2 \right]}{P_H + \left( \frac{dP}{dV} \right)_H (V_0 - V_H)}
  \]
Most models adequately model sound speed of shock-compressed CH

*FPEOS: first-principles equation of state;
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Only first-principle QMD predicts the decreasing Grüneisen parameter at 100 to 400 GPa

Reduced $\Gamma_{\text{red}}$ is indicative of energy sinks; i.e., dissociation and ionization.

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