

# Assessing target robustness and ignition performance for a direct drive ICF target

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# The road ahead...

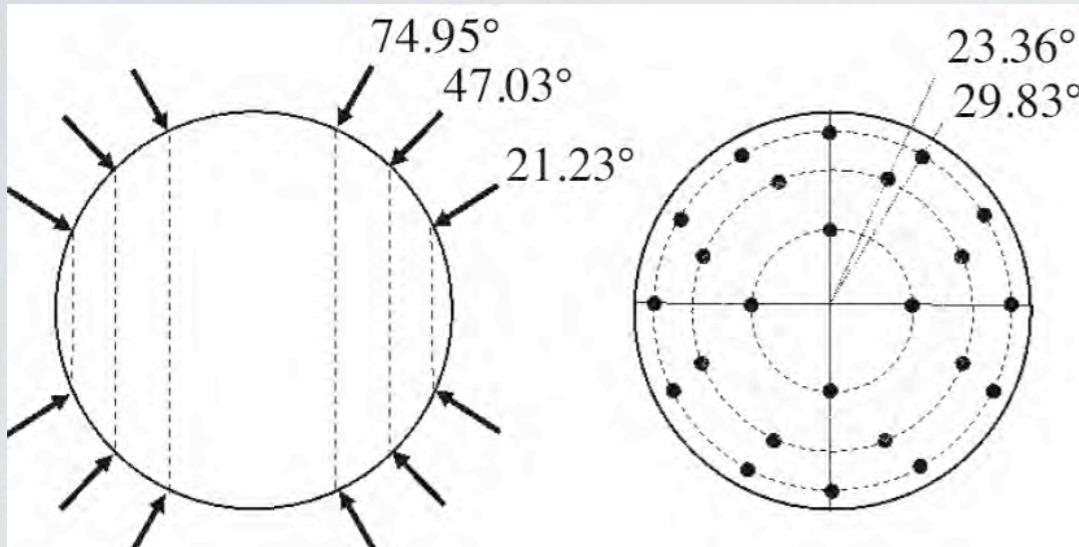
Target positioning

Raytracing 3D

Parametric scan

# Target mis-positioning at TCC

# Irradiation geometry

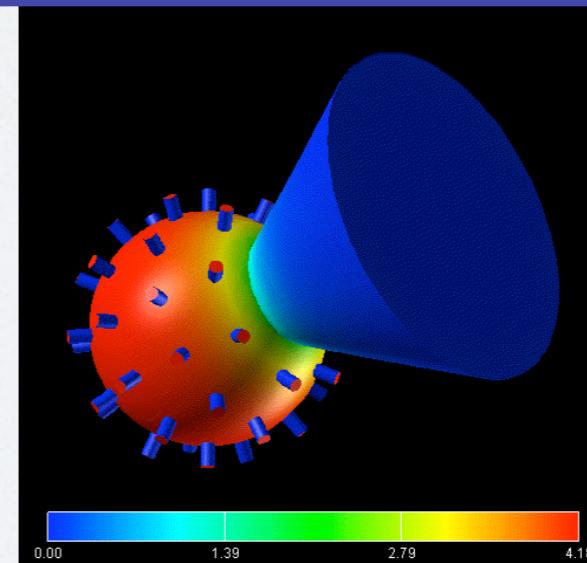
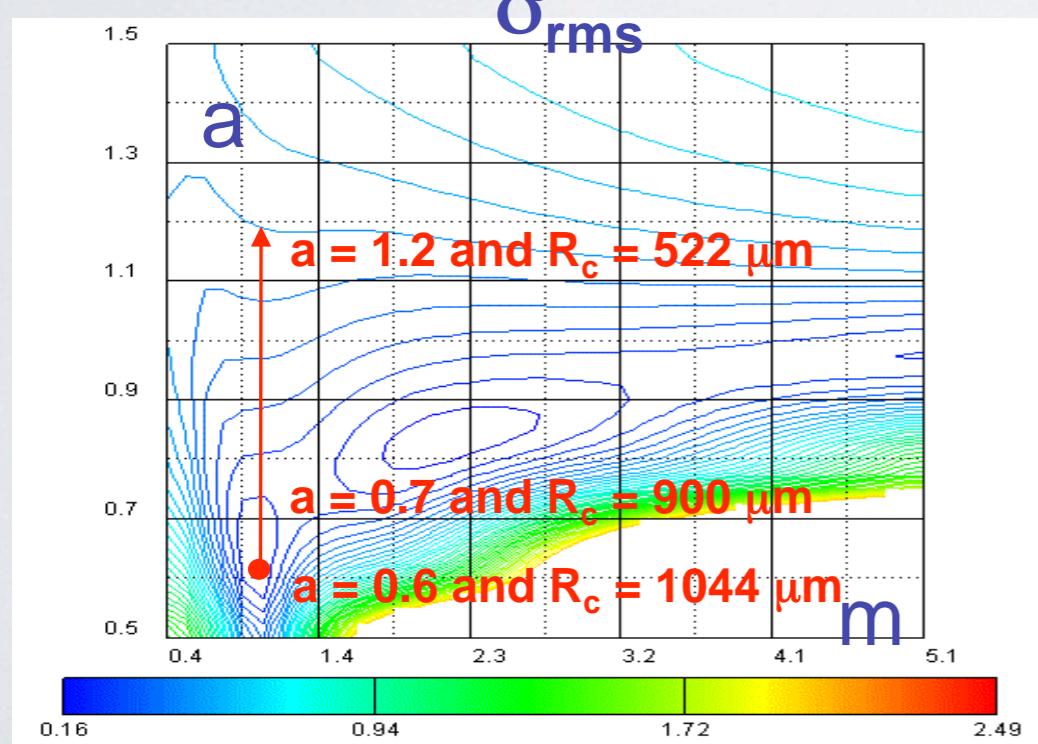


|                   | I-mode      |
|-------------------|-------------|
| Perfect beam      | 12, 8, 10   |
| Balance (10%)     | 1, 2, 12, 3 |
| Pointing (5 mrad) | 2, 3, 1, 4  |
| centring (2%)     | 12, 2, 3, 1 |

Energy balance 94%,

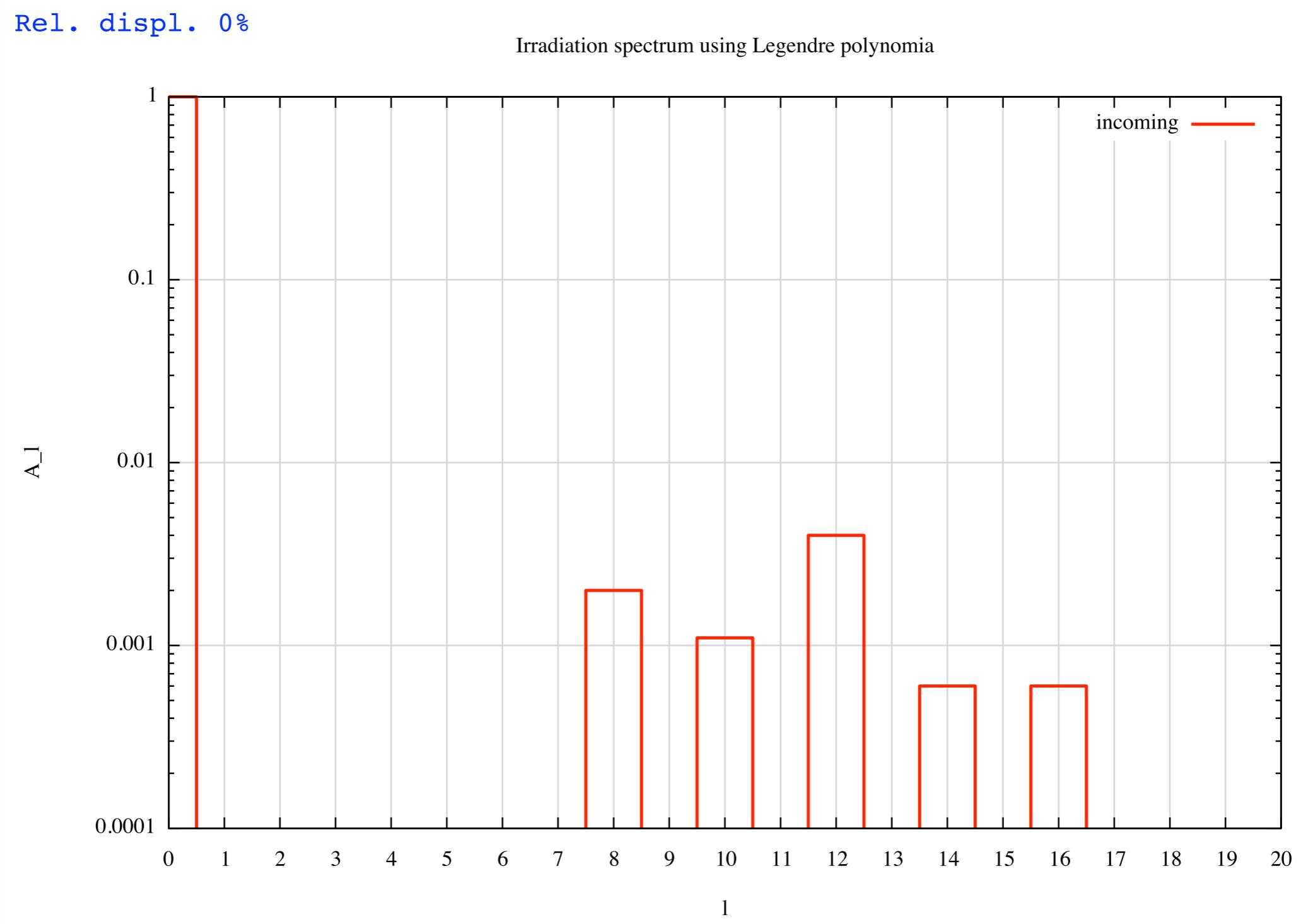
Illumination asymmetry  $\sigma_{\text{rms}} = 0.15 \%$

Main low I-modes : 12, 8 and 10 ( $< 0.004$ )

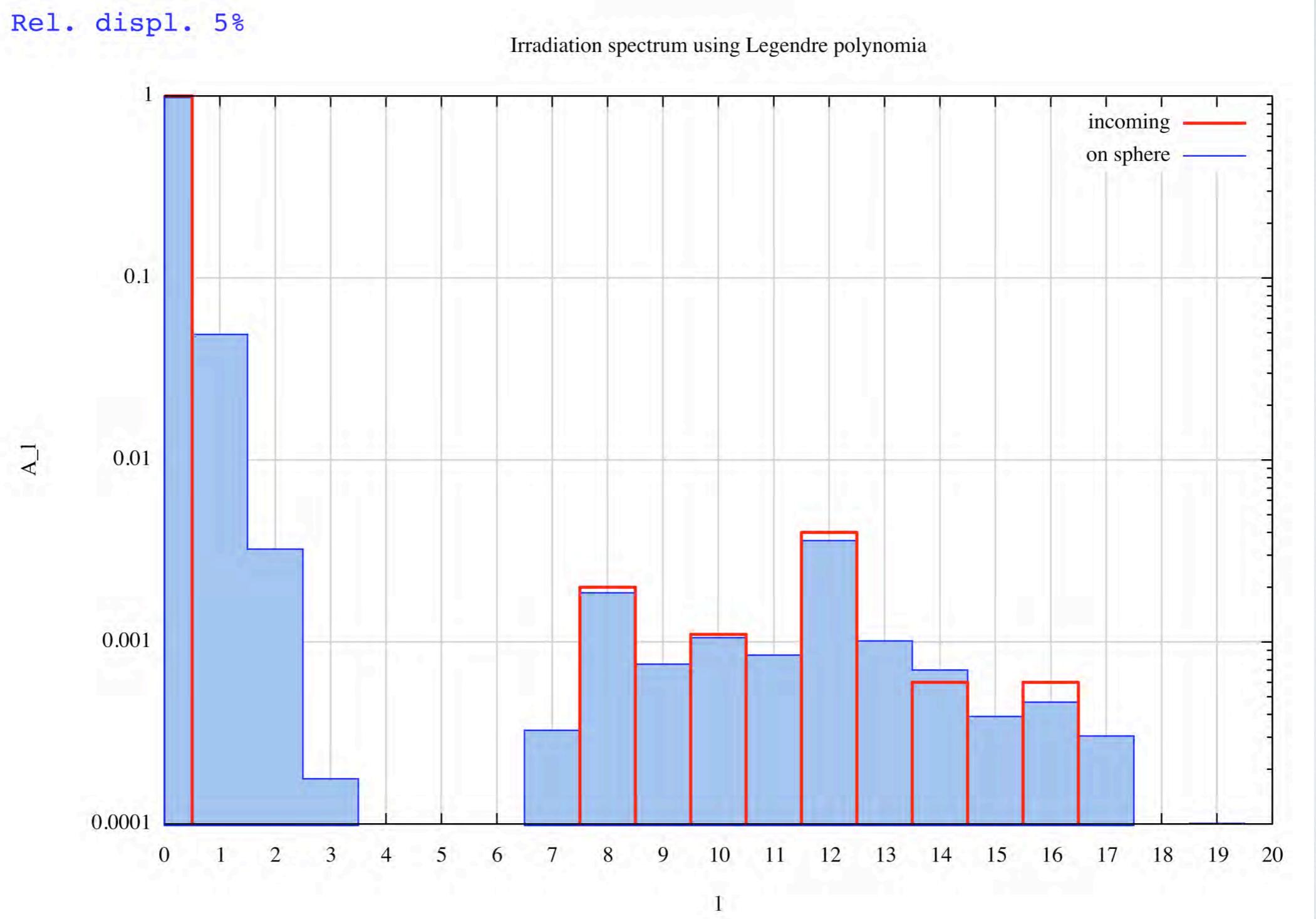


On the cone : 26 % of max intensity  
Inside the cone : 2% of max intensity

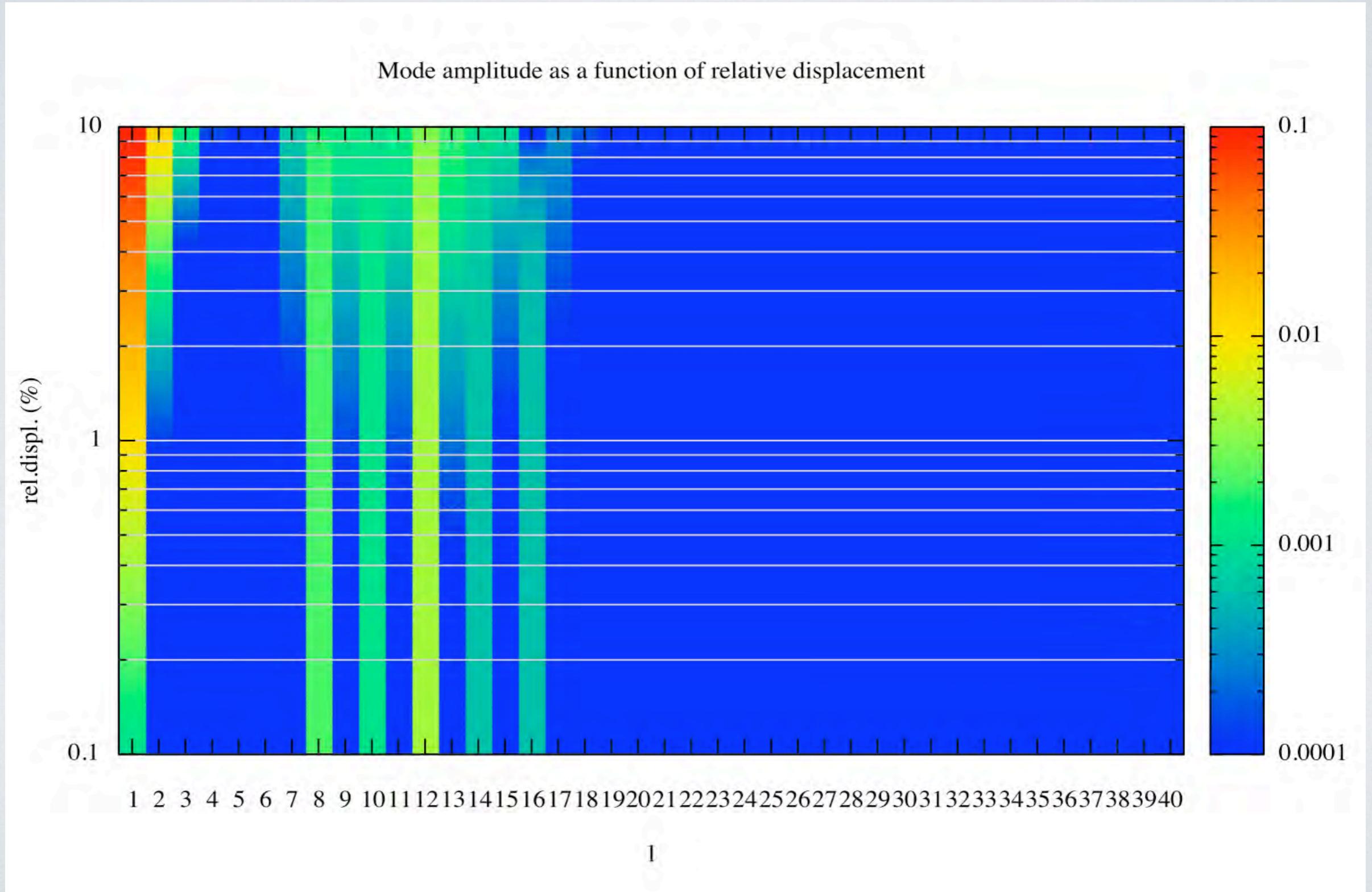
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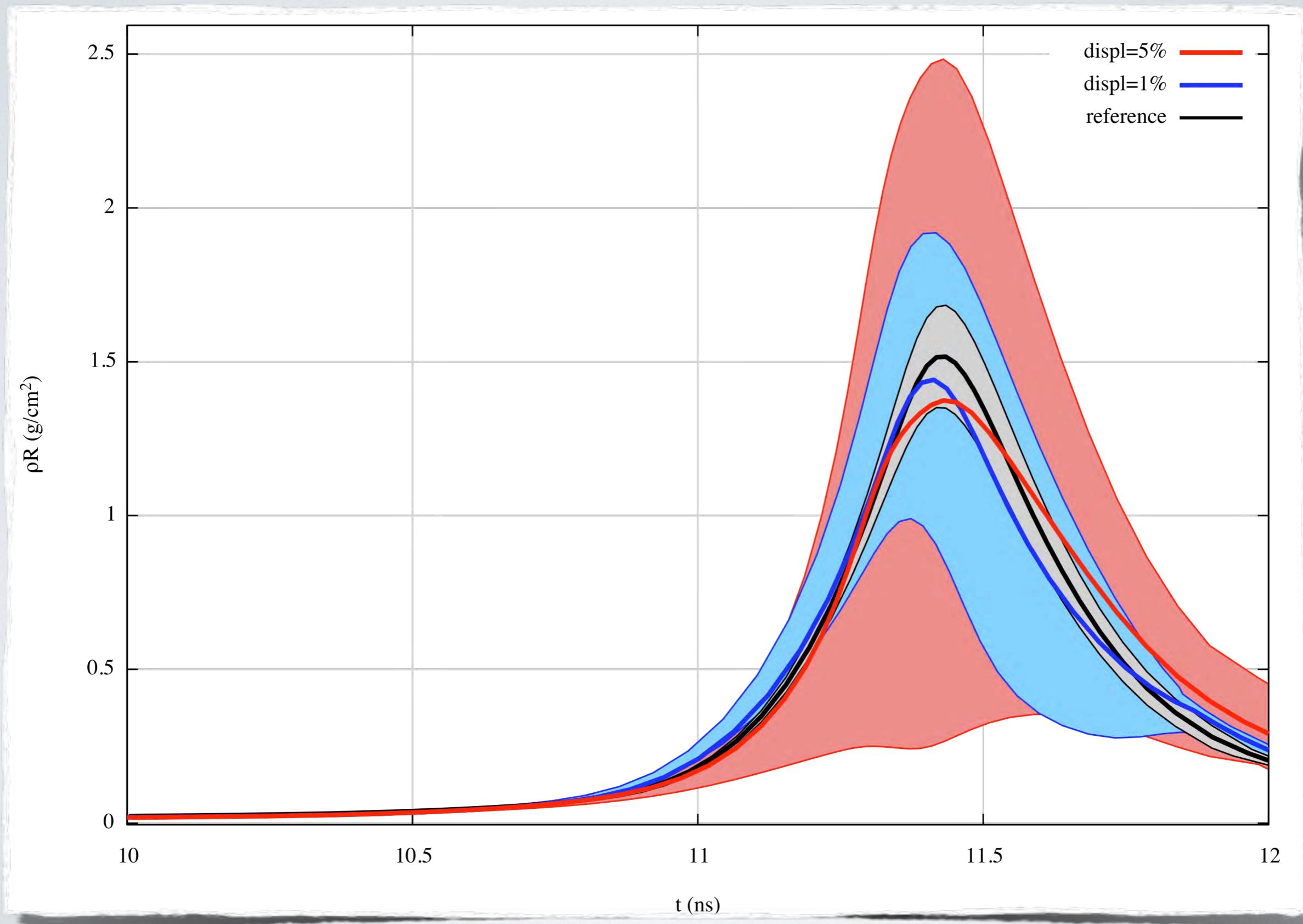
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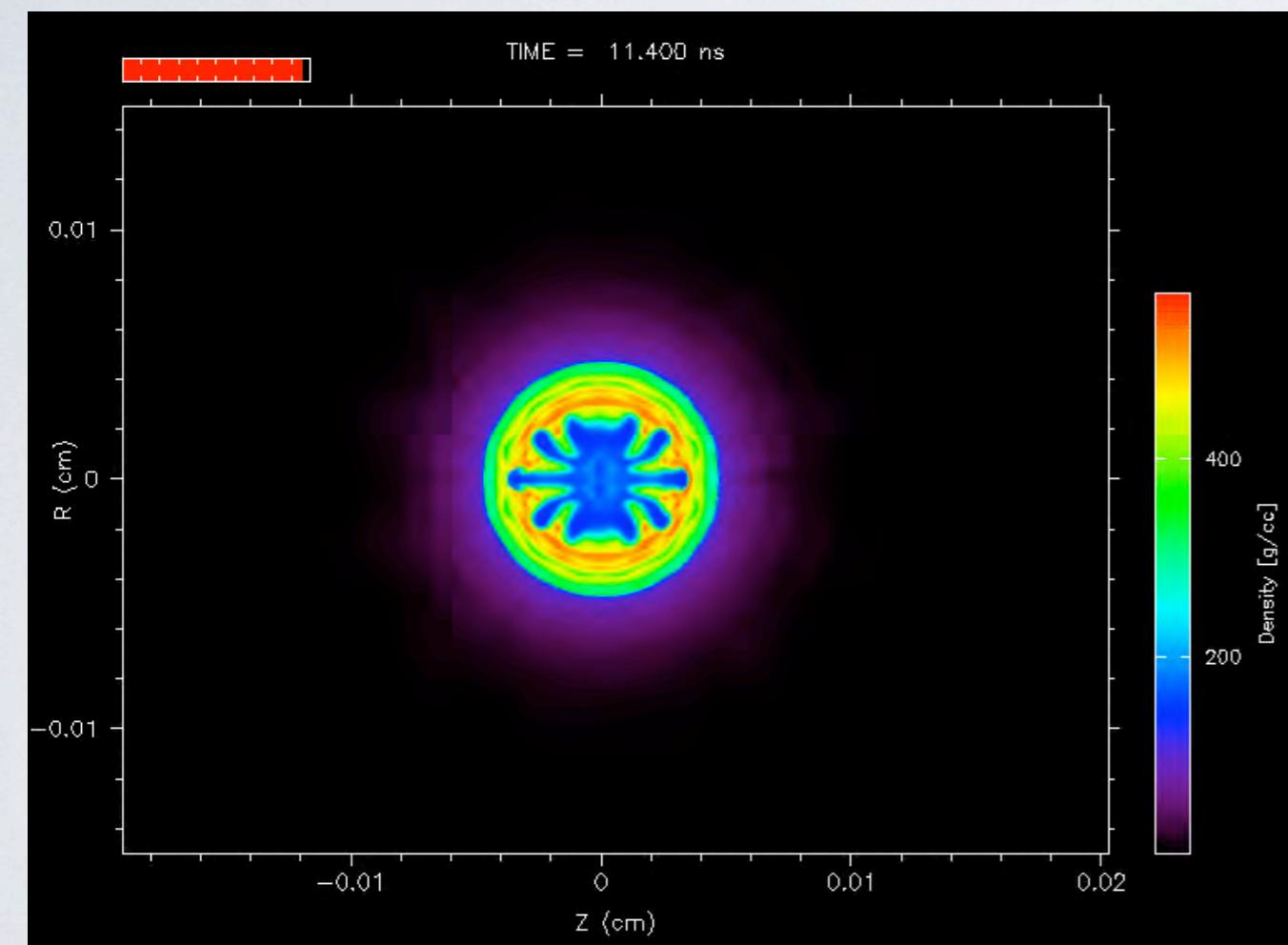
# Incoming spectrum modification



# Target tolerance to rel. displacement

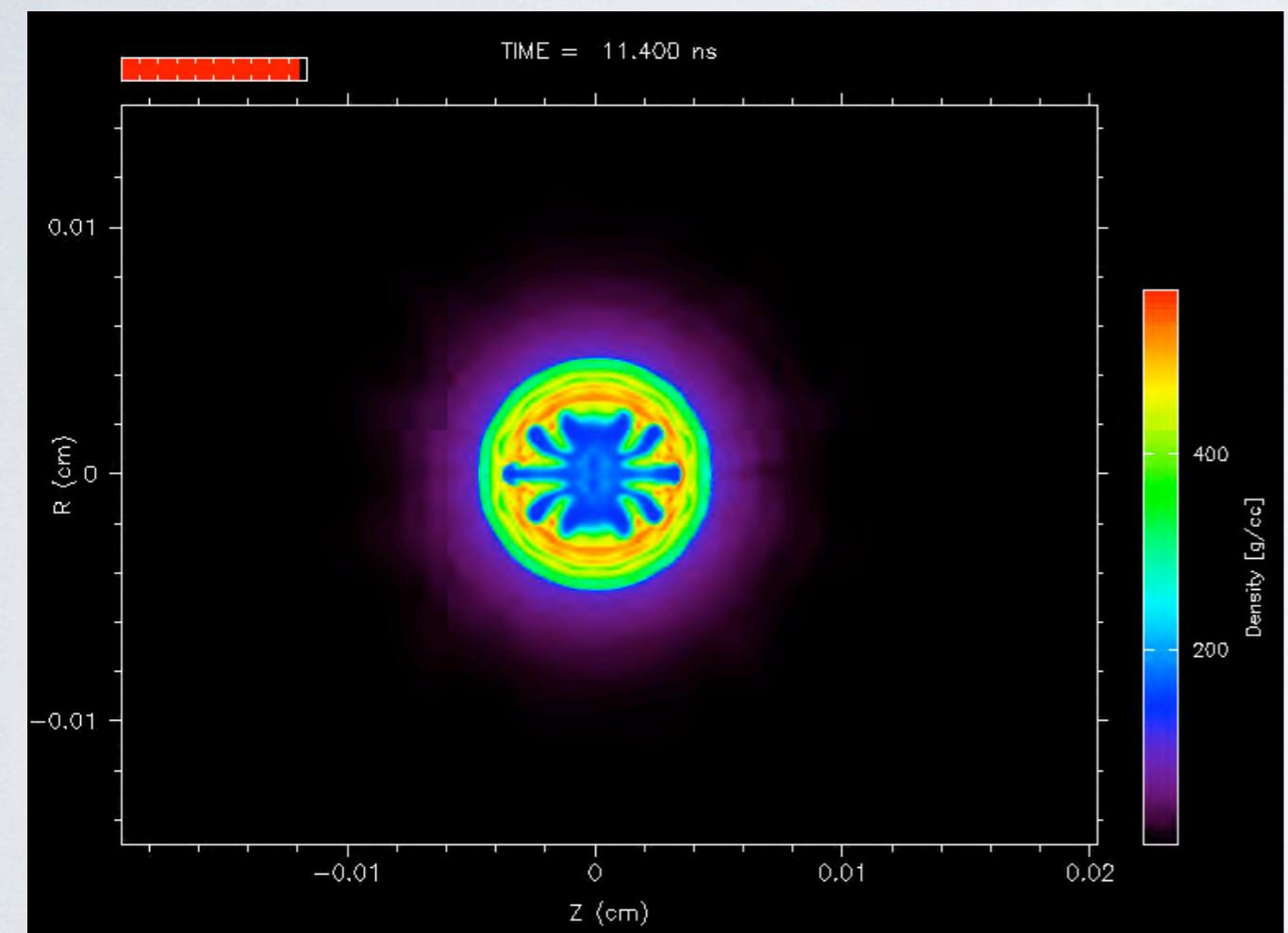


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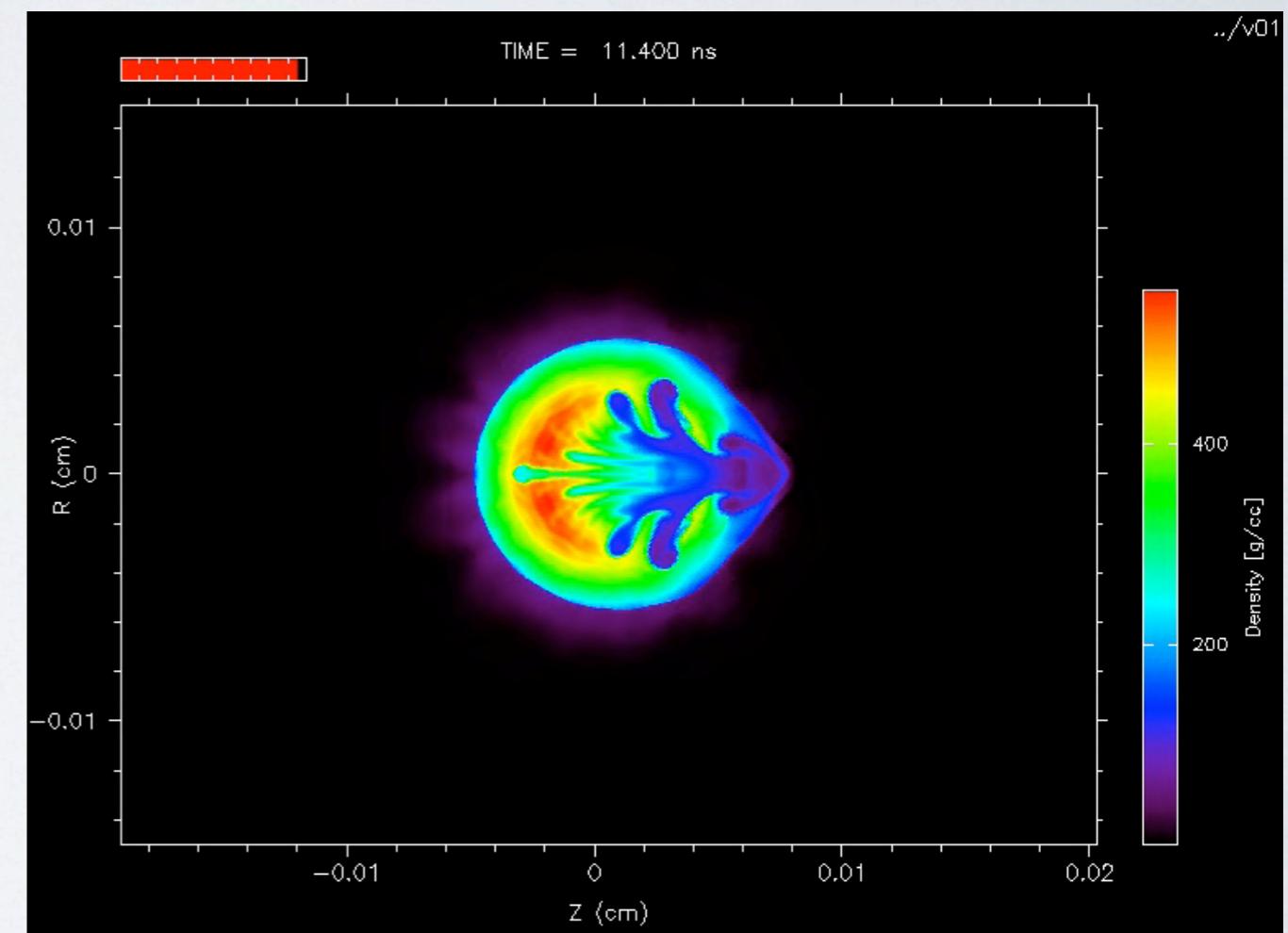


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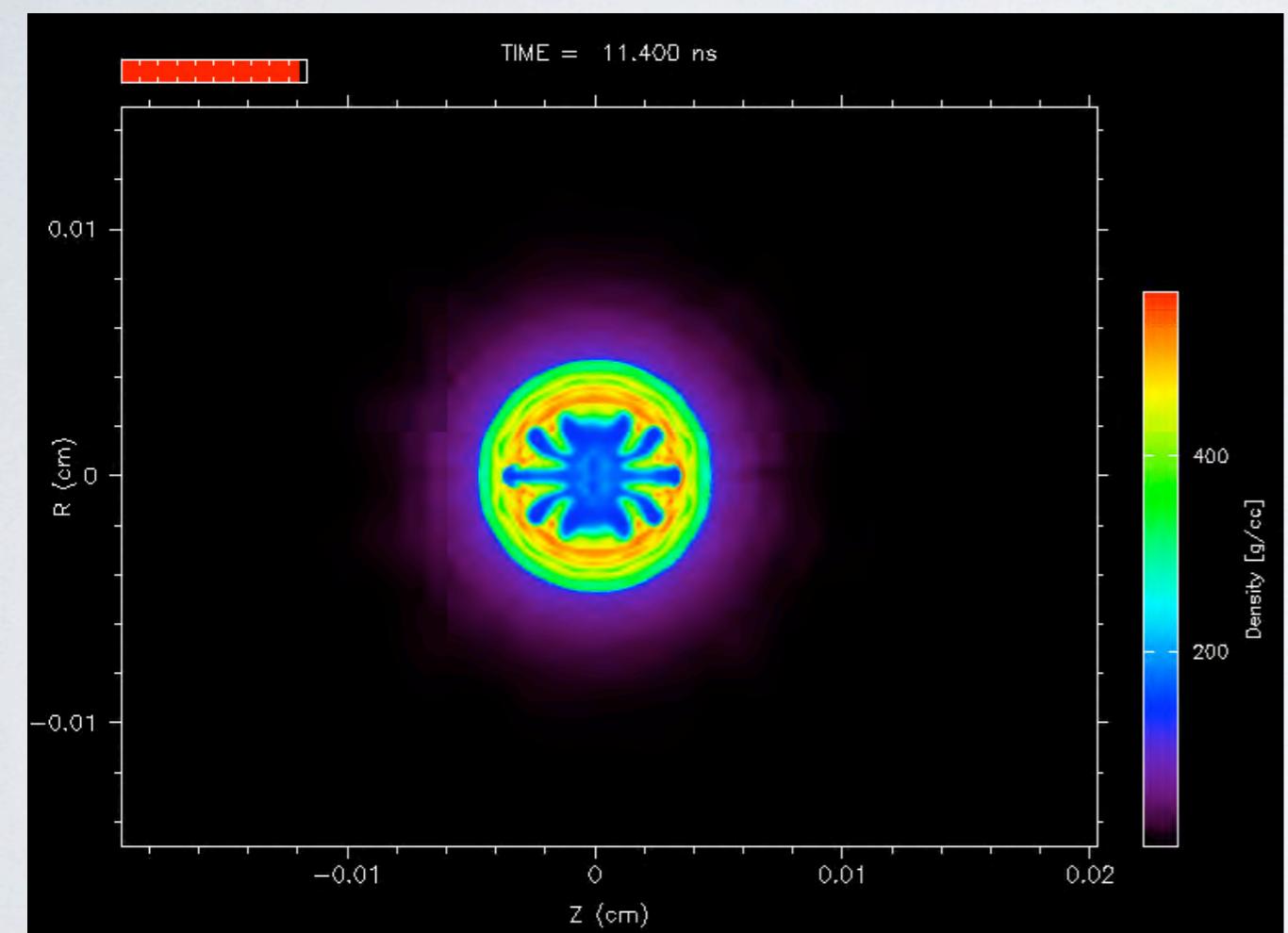
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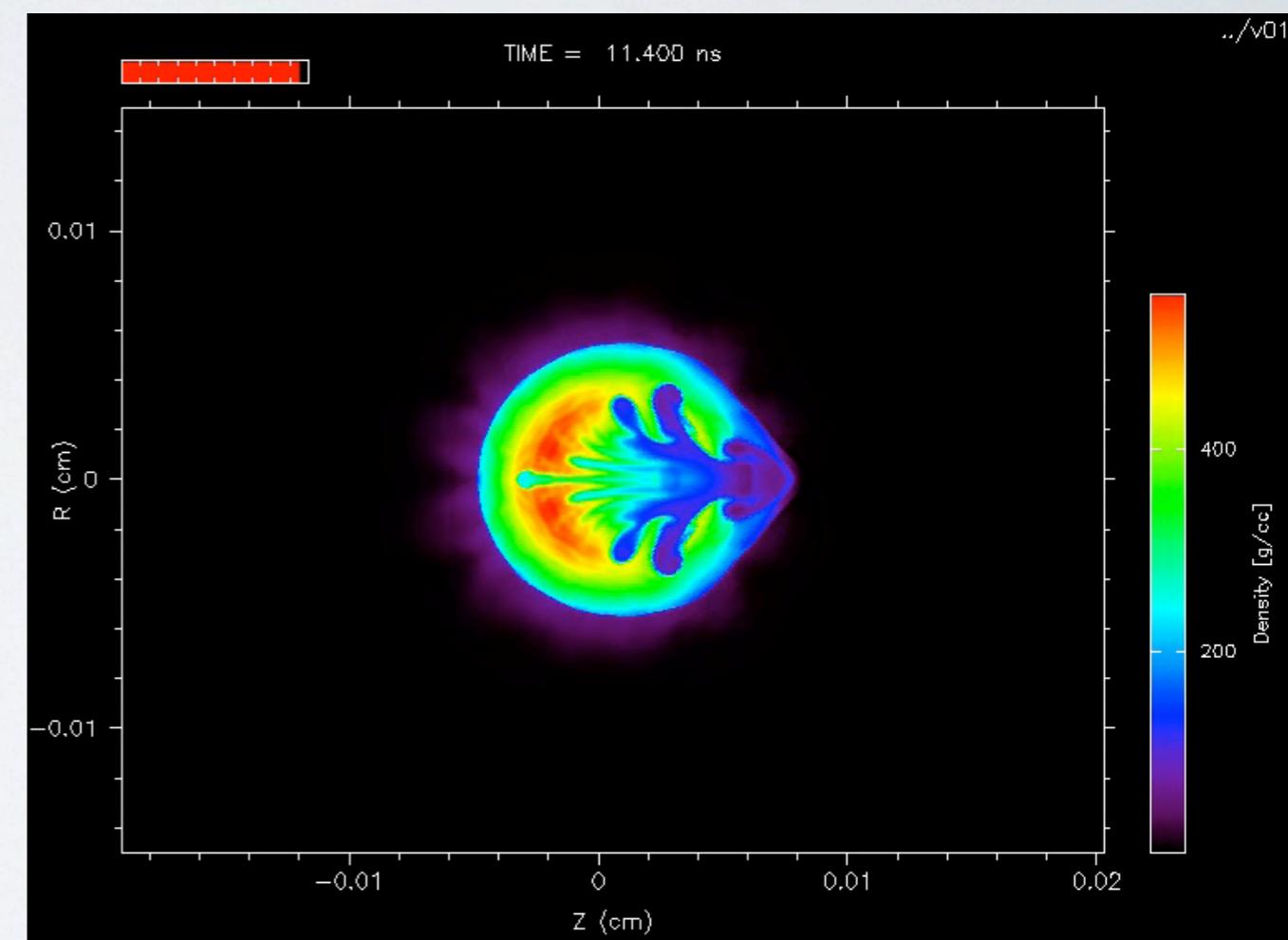
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# 1% displacement = $10 \mu\text{m}$ !

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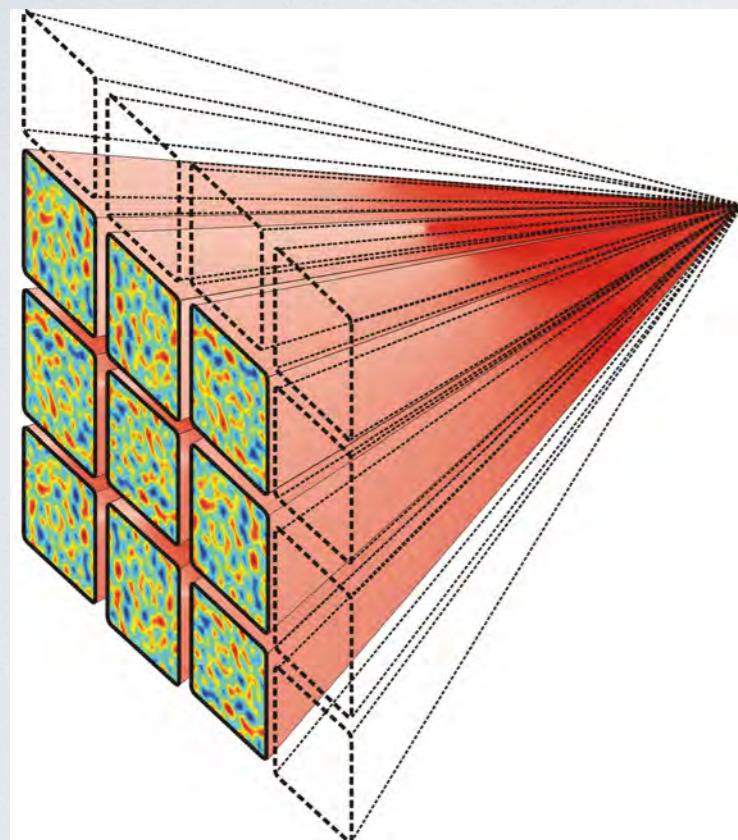


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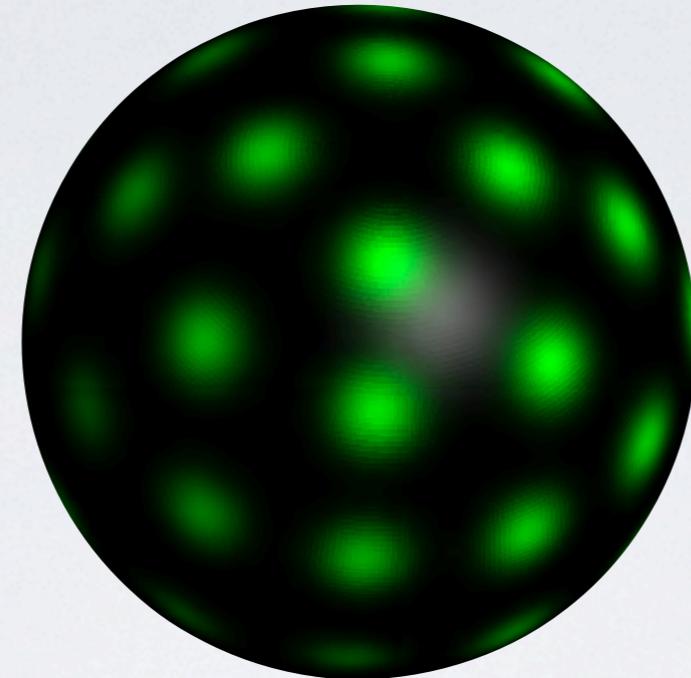
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# 3D raytracing for studying irradiation patterns

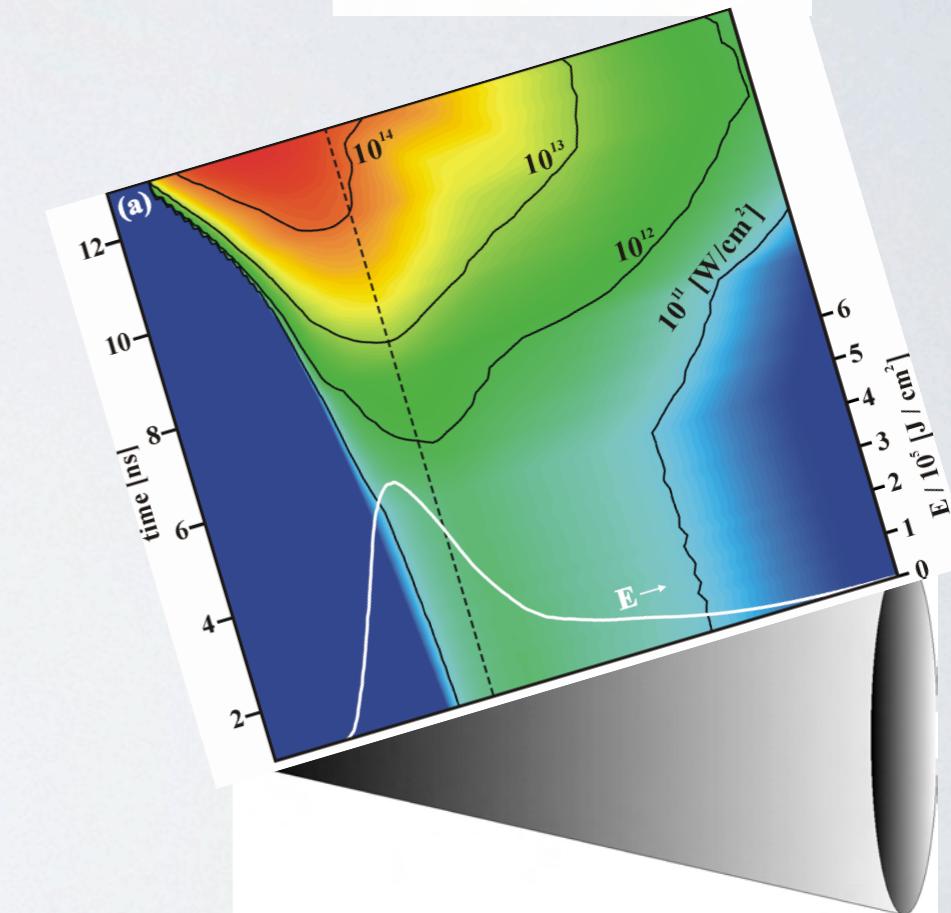
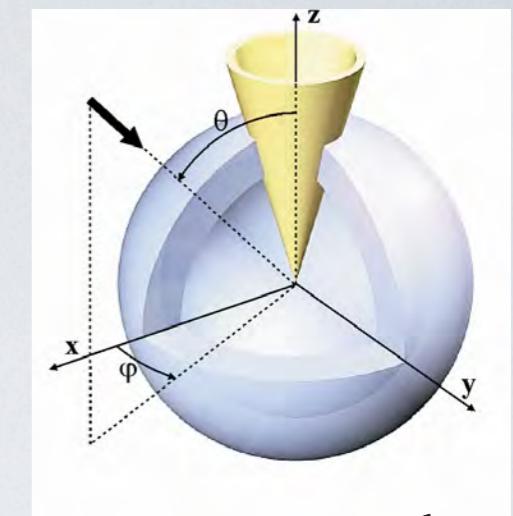


Beamlets splitting

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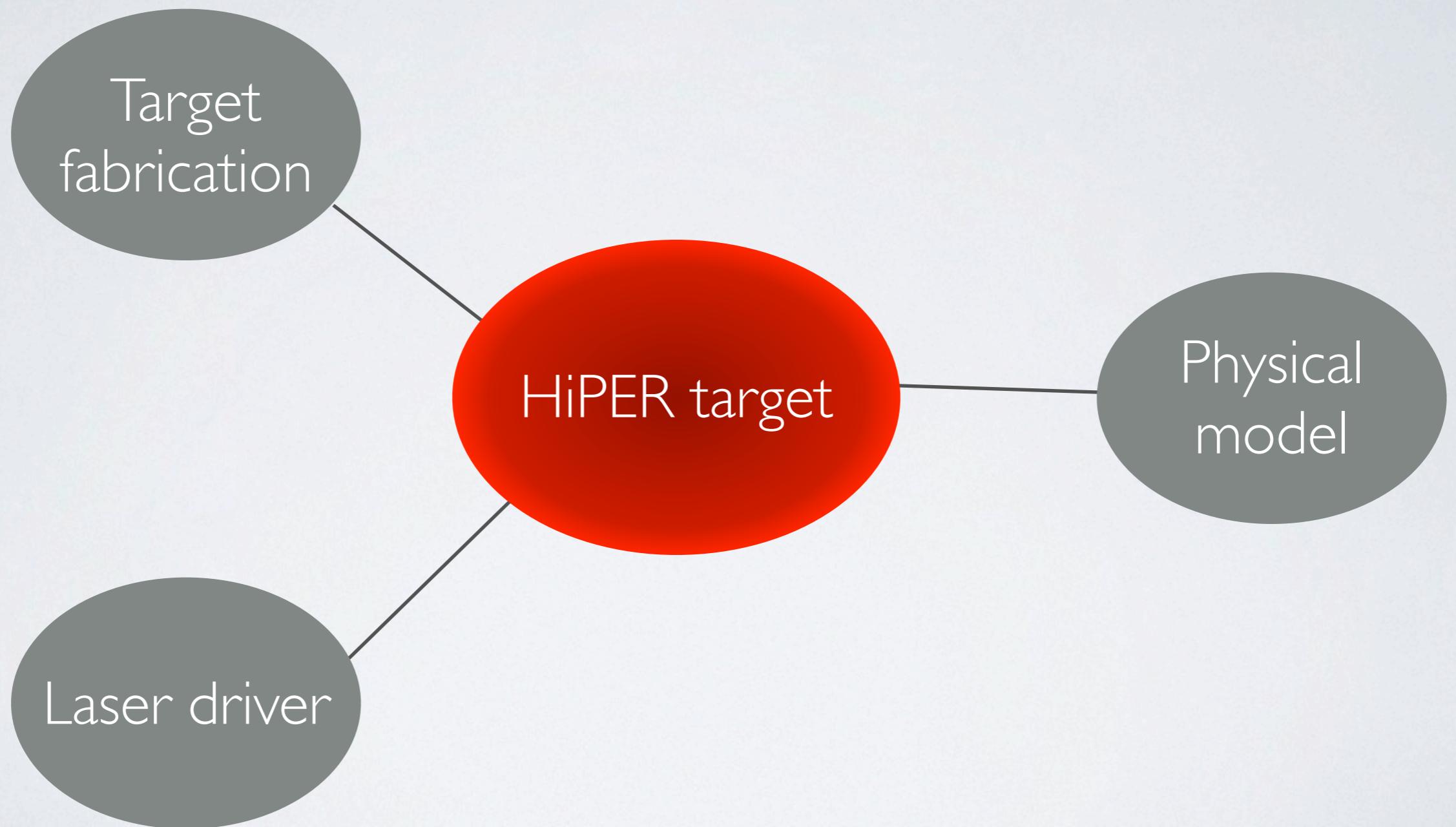


Irradiation of the cone

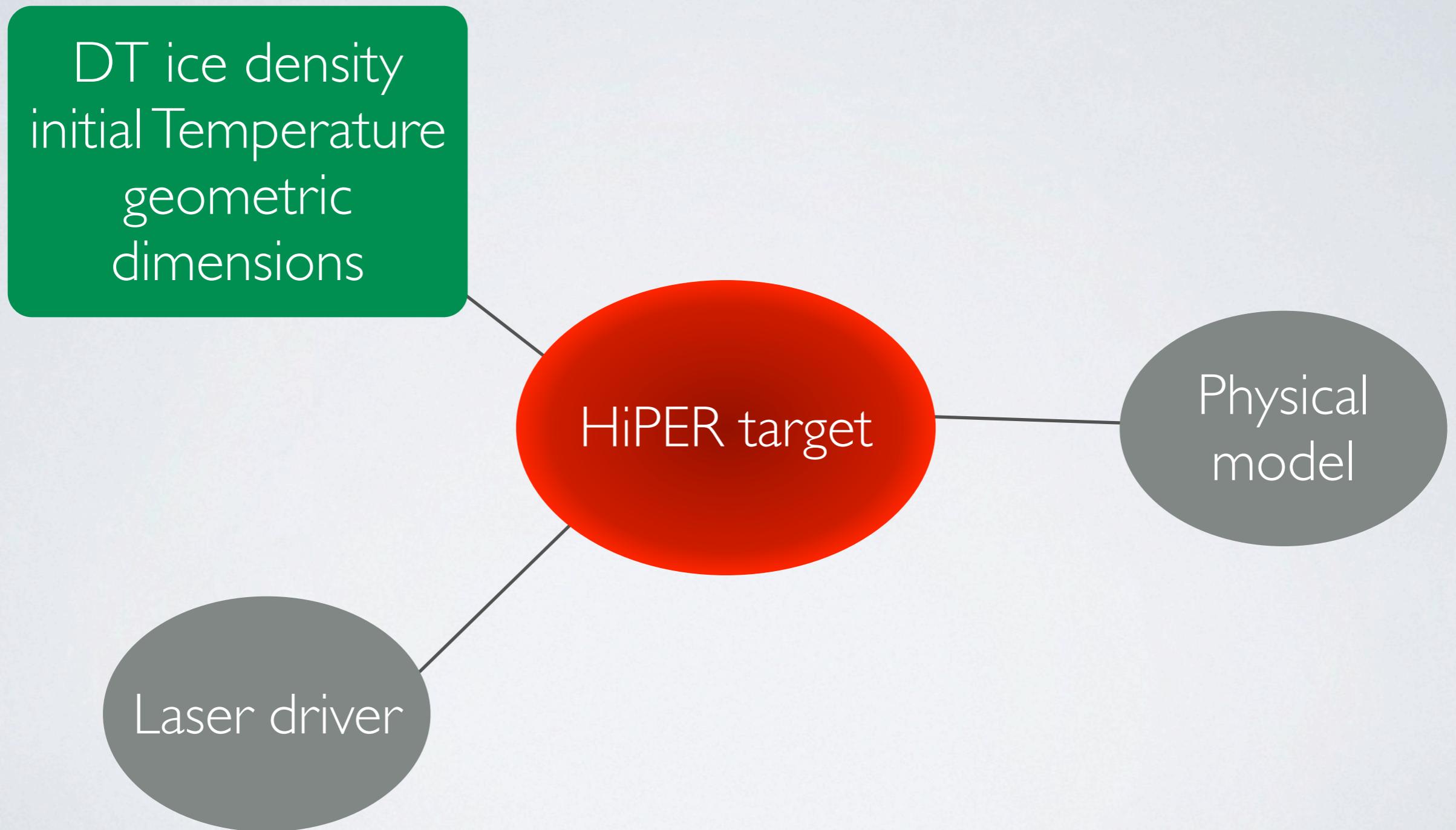
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1D parametric study of  
target implosion

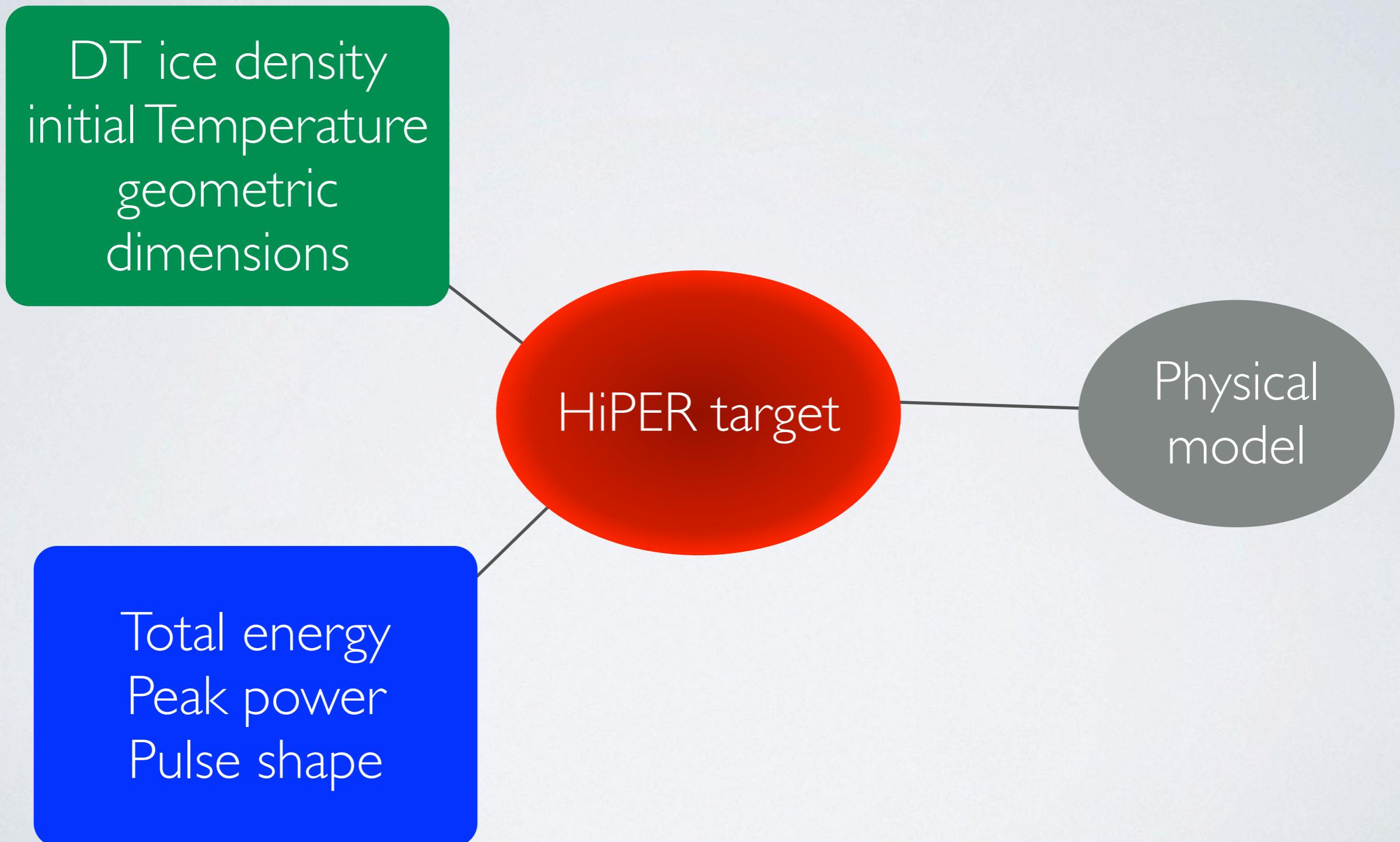
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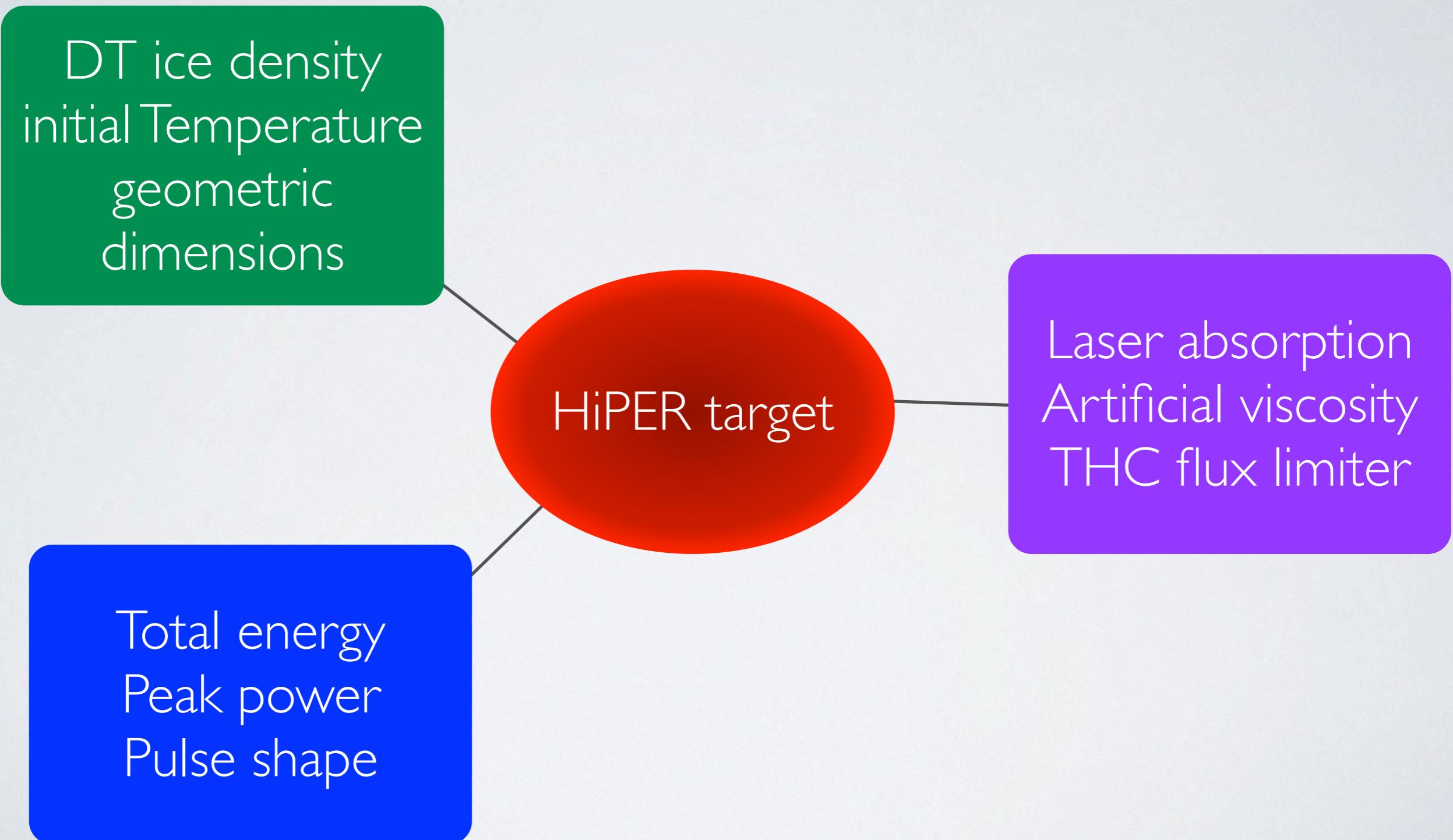
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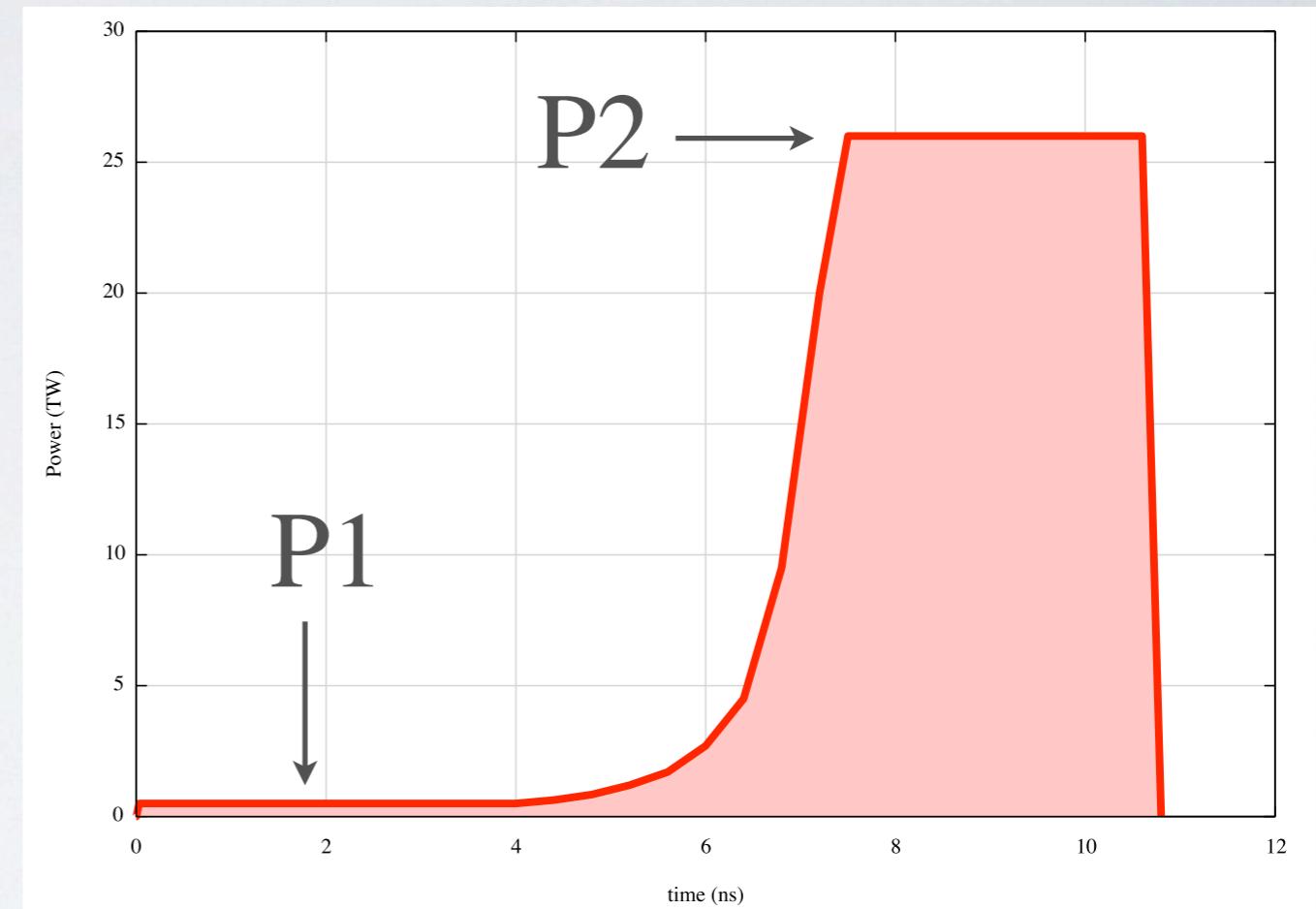
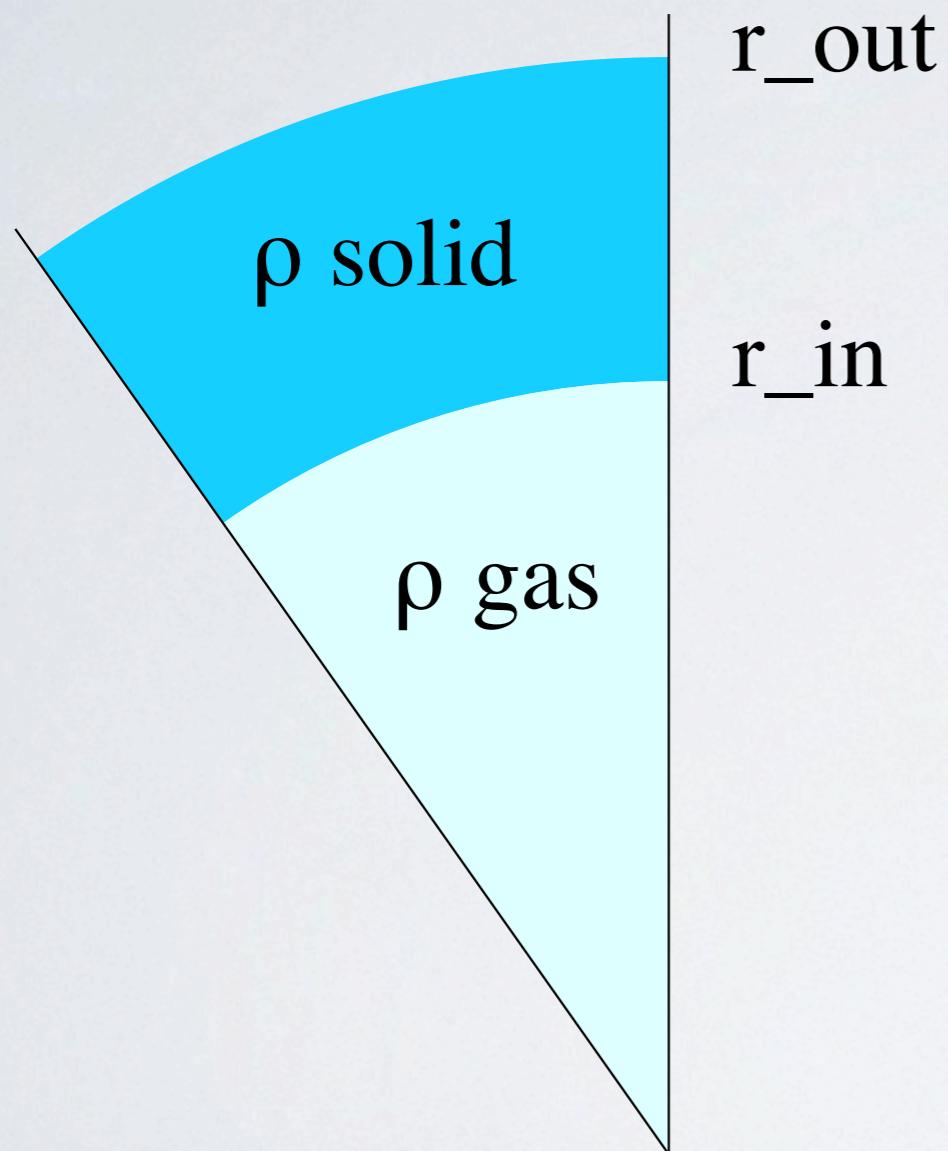
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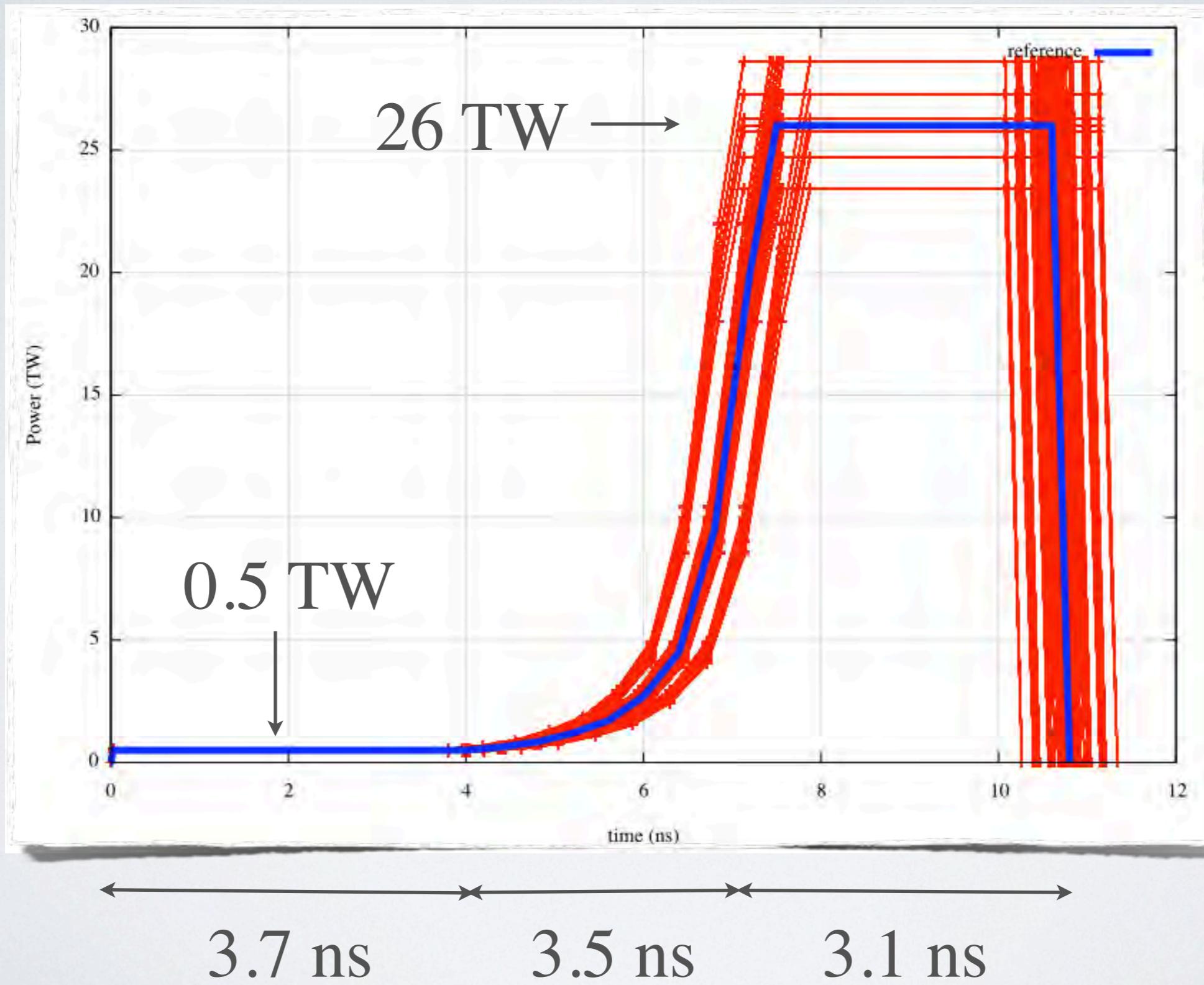


# Main experimental parameters

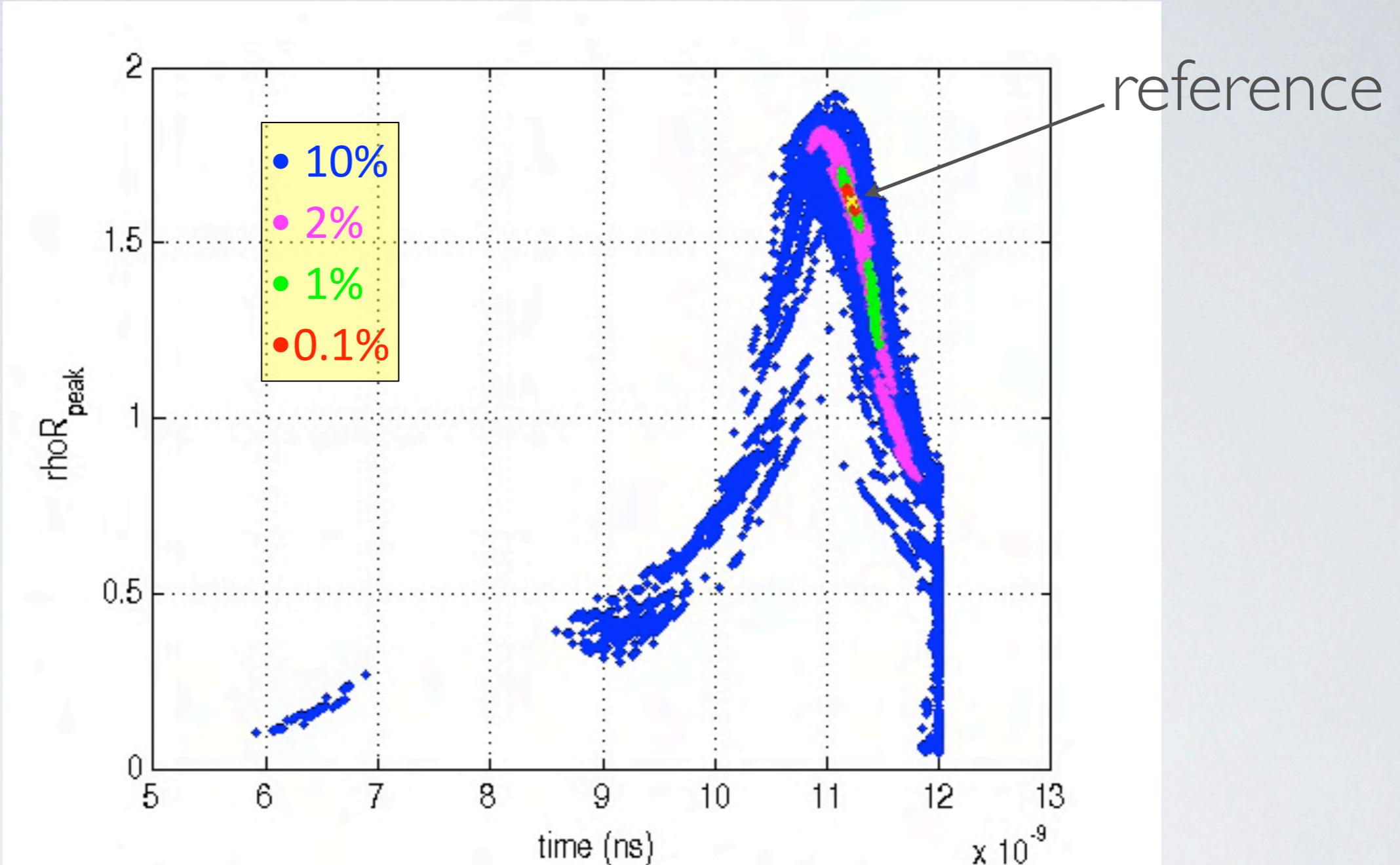


← →  
T1 T2 T3

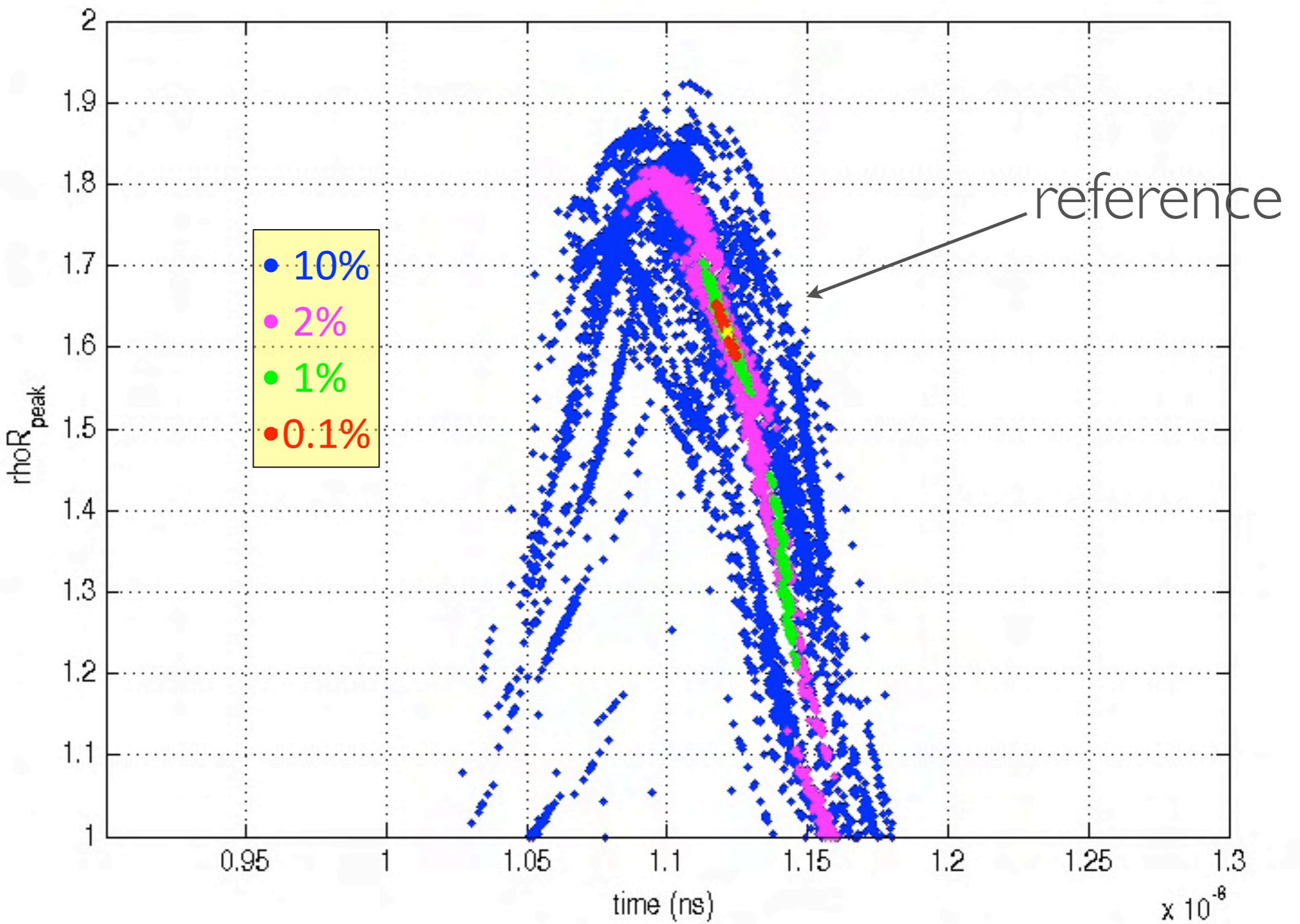
# Laser pulse scan



# Parametric scan (rin,rout,rho,E)

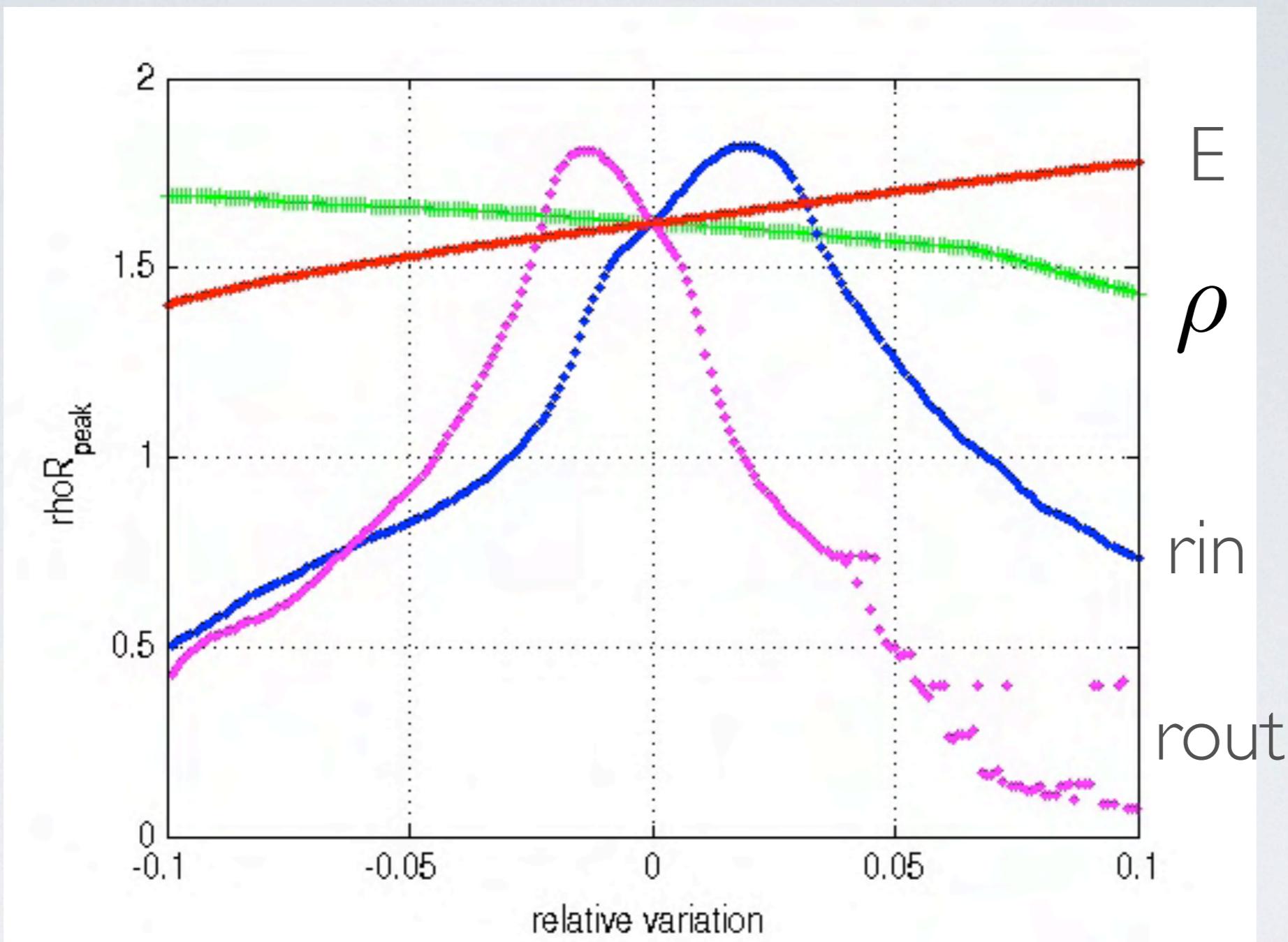


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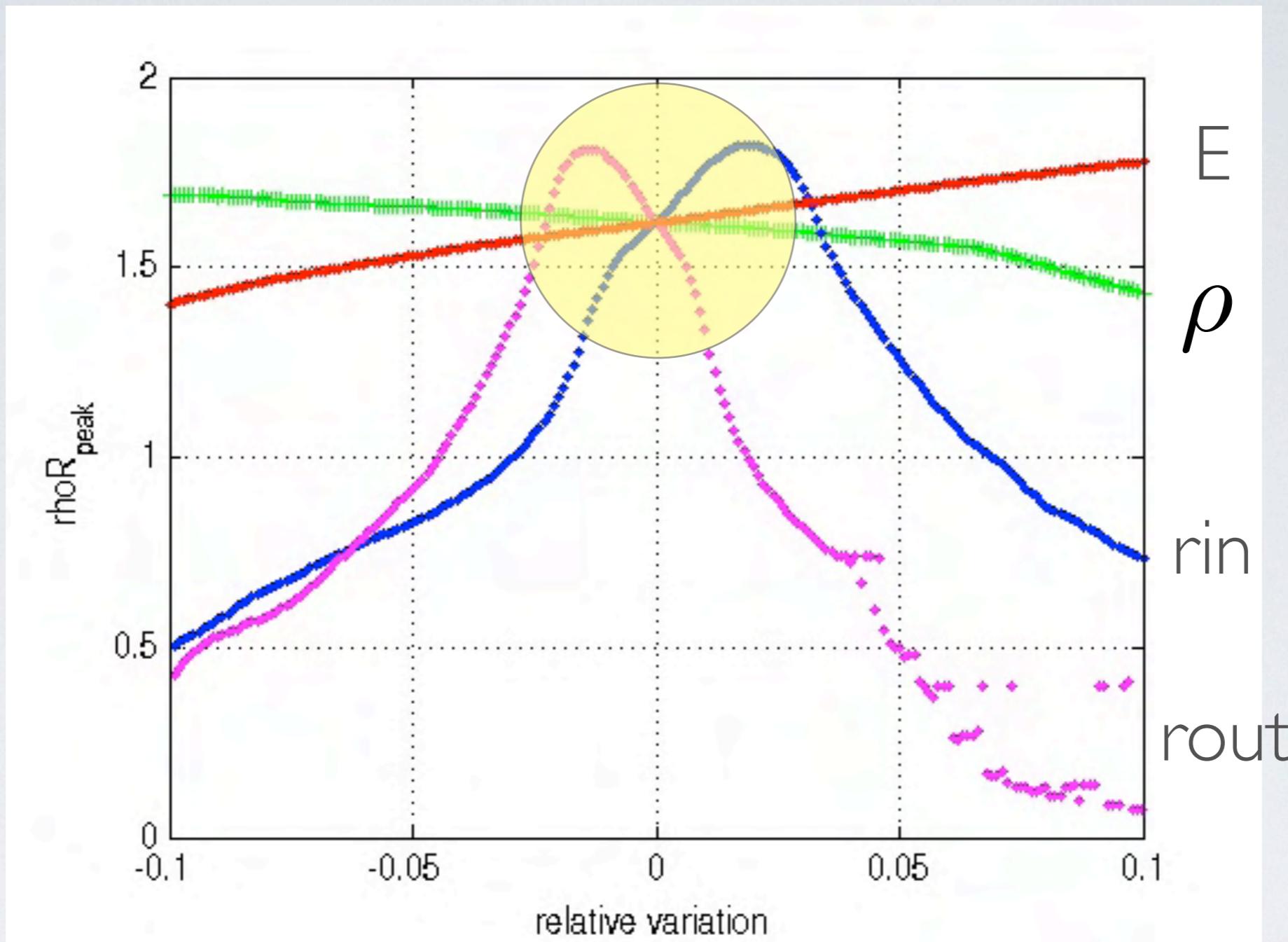
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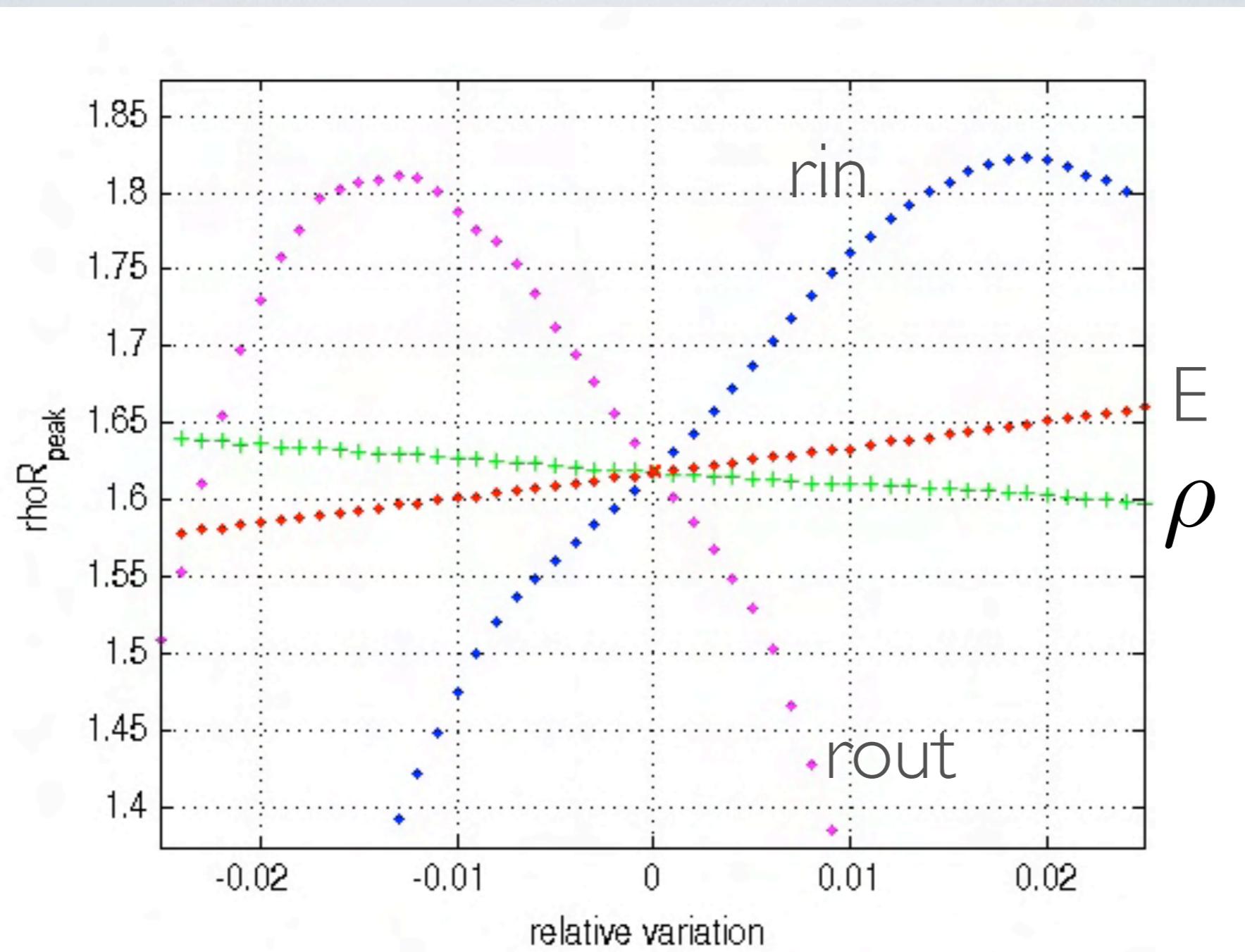
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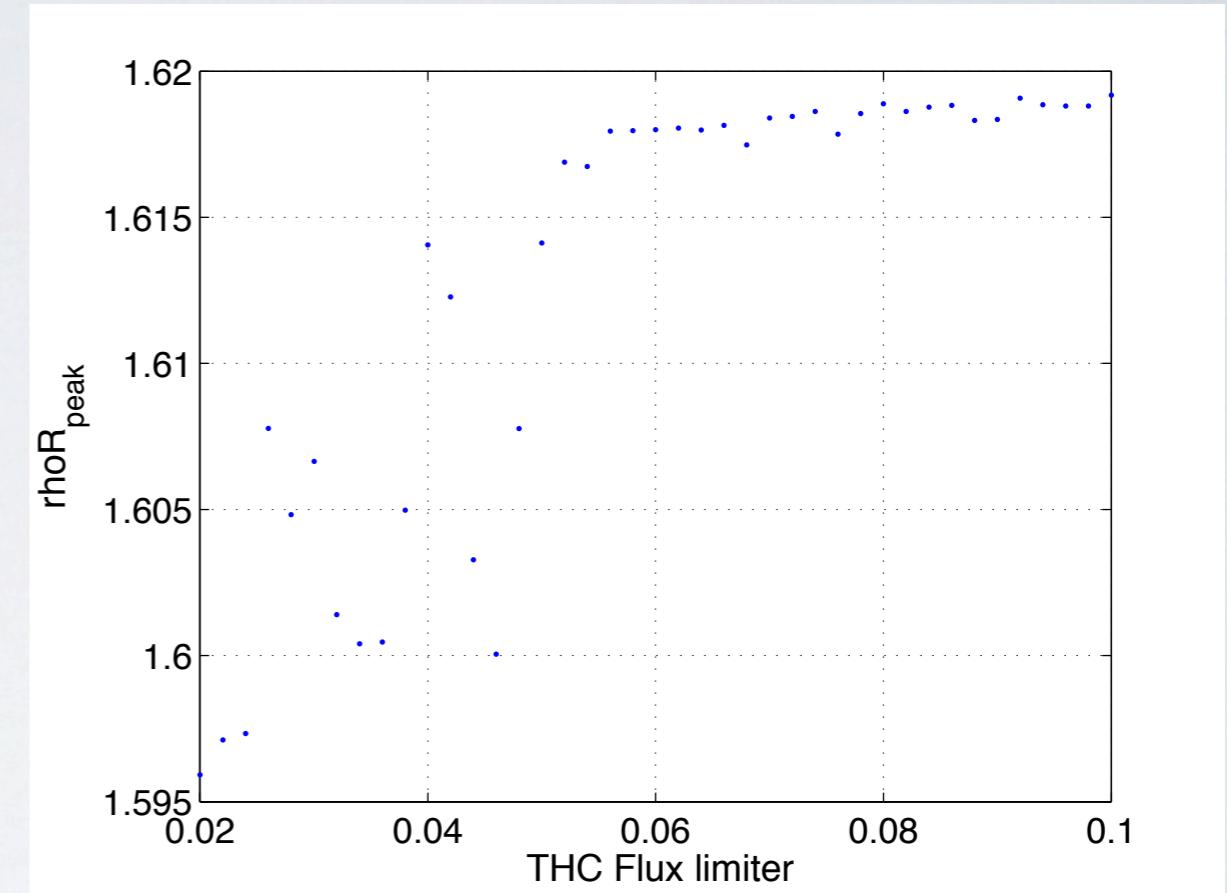
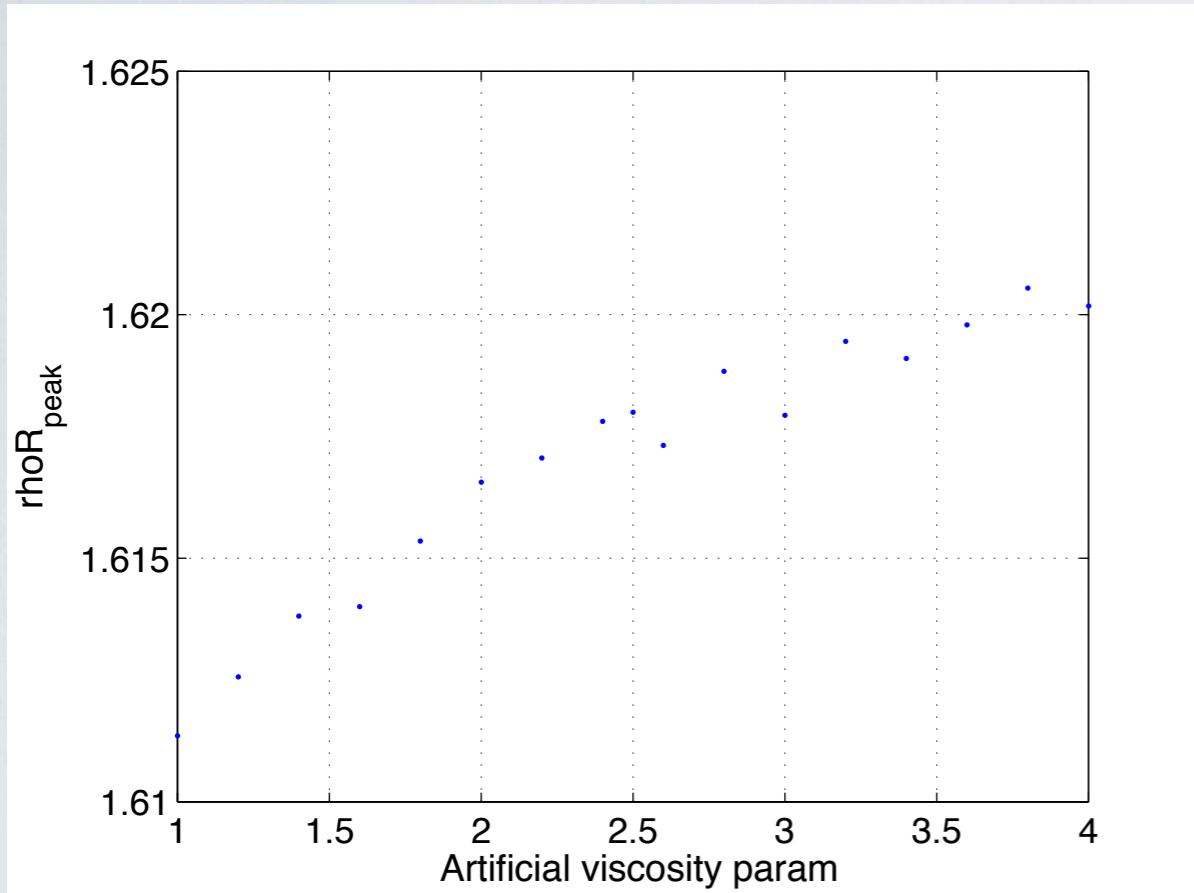
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# Region of linear dependance



Peak rhoR varies linearly within: 10% for E and rho  
1% for rin and rout

# Sensitivity to artificial viscosity and THC flux limiter



$$\frac{\sigma_X}{X} \simeq 0.2\%$$

$$\frac{\sigma_X}{X} \simeq 0.5\%$$

Good news: 1D target implosion is rather insensitive to large variations in these two key numerical parameters

# SOME NUMBERS

|                    |                                 | Tolerance |                     |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|---------------------|
| Target injection   | lateral displacement<br>at TCC  | 1-5%      | 10-50 $\mu\text{m}$ |
|                    | DT ice density                  | 10%       |                     |
| Target fabrication | inner/outer radius              | 1%        | 20 $\mu\text{m}$    |
|                    | Total energy                    | 10%       |                     |
| Laser drive        | Pulse shape<br>accuracy (time)  | 1-5%      | (30 ps)             |
|                    | Pulse shape<br>accuracy (power) | 5%        |                     |

# Straighten the path



- Identify key parameters for modeling
- Understand what are the crucial parameters for target fabrication and laser delivery
- Down-selection of parameters (metrics)
- Explore parameter space to assess compression robustness
- Find safety factors for parameters we can control
- Investigate gain sensitivity (ignition metrics for FI or SI)