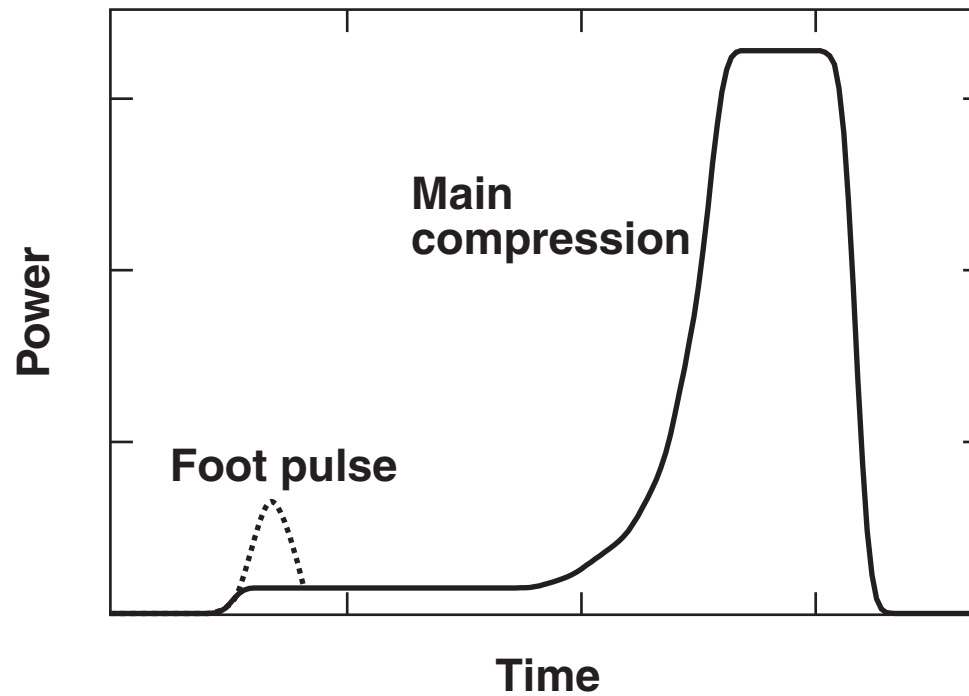


Direct Drive Shock-Timing Experiments Using Planar Targets



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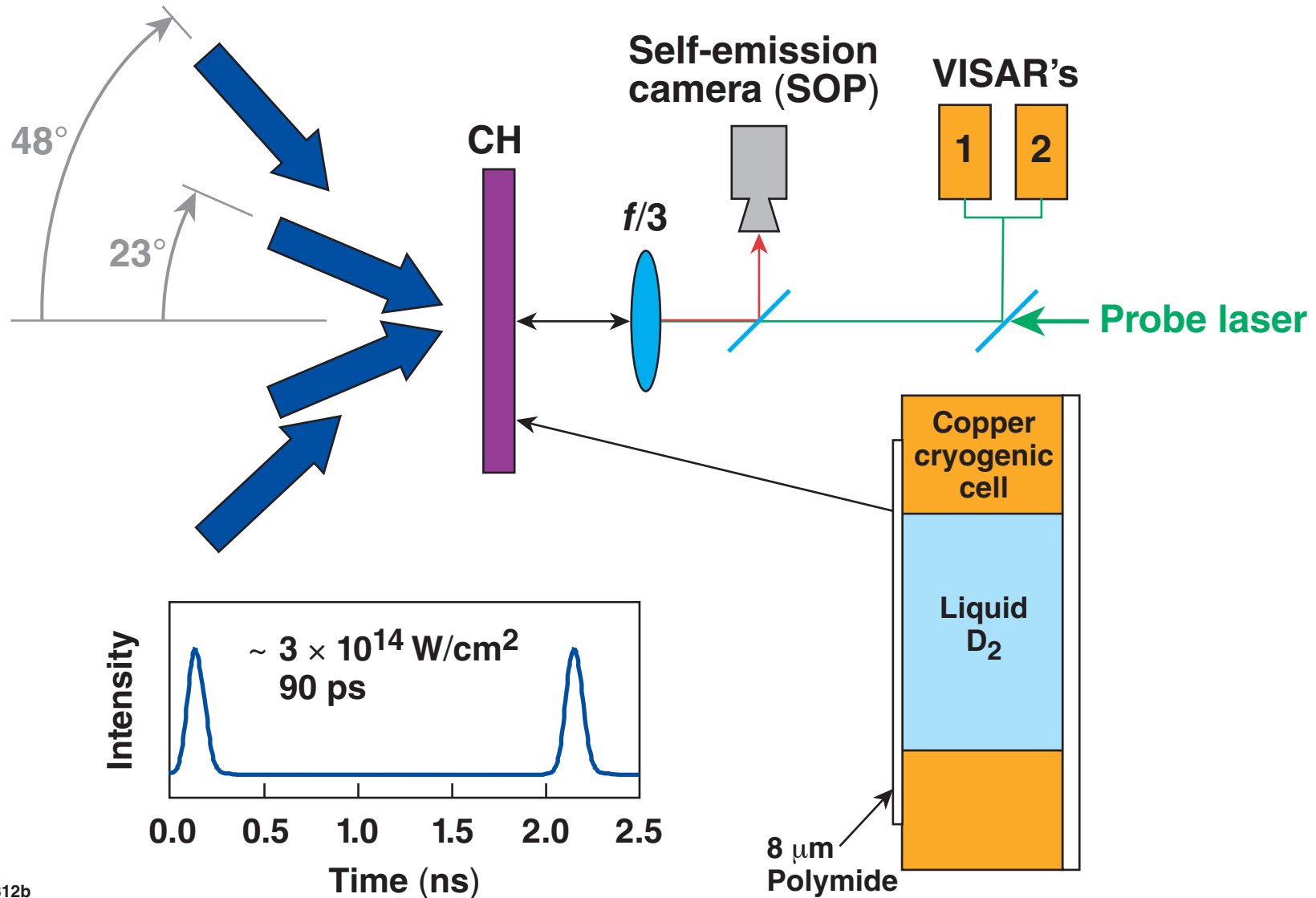
Summary

Planar experiments provide measurements of shock propagation and timing for ICF target designs



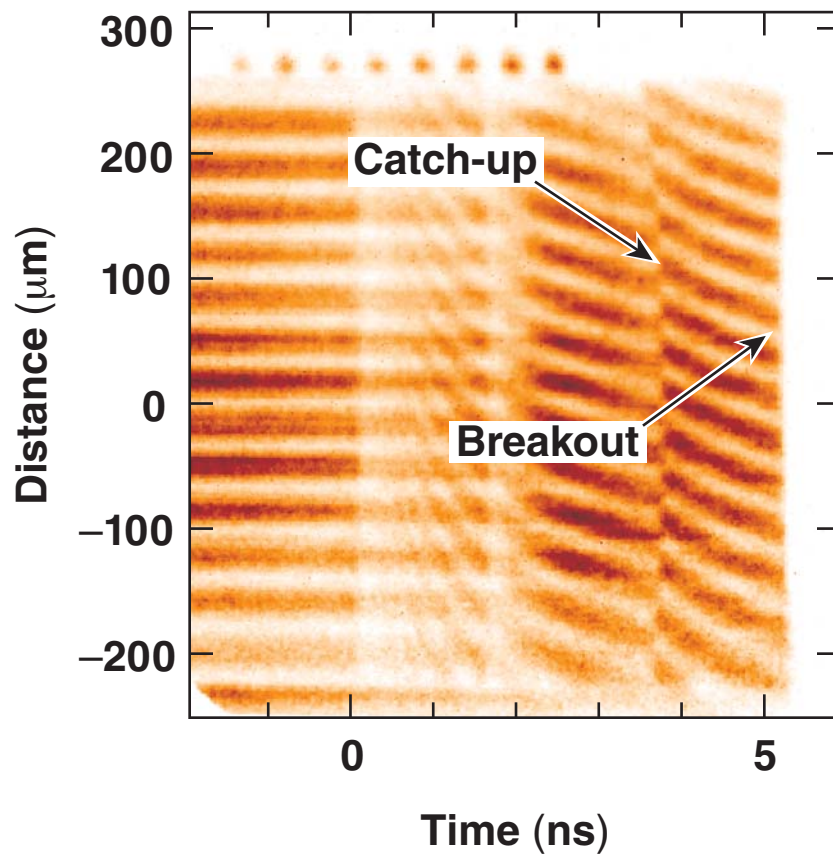
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Shock velocity and self-emission in double-shock experiments are measured optically

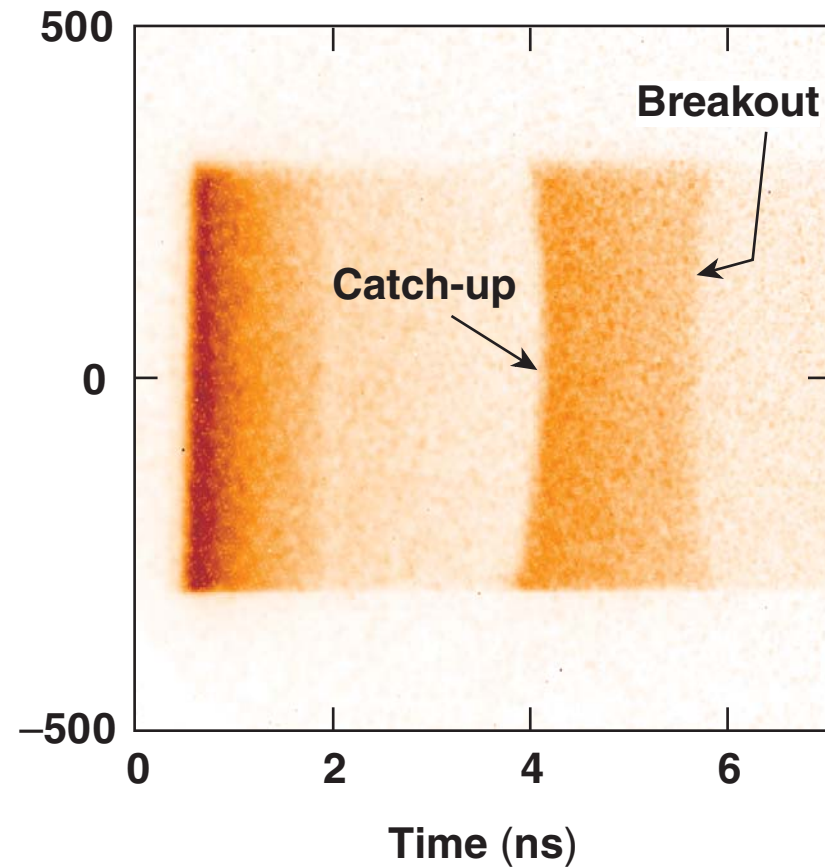


Simultaneous velocity and self-emission profiles provide corroborative data

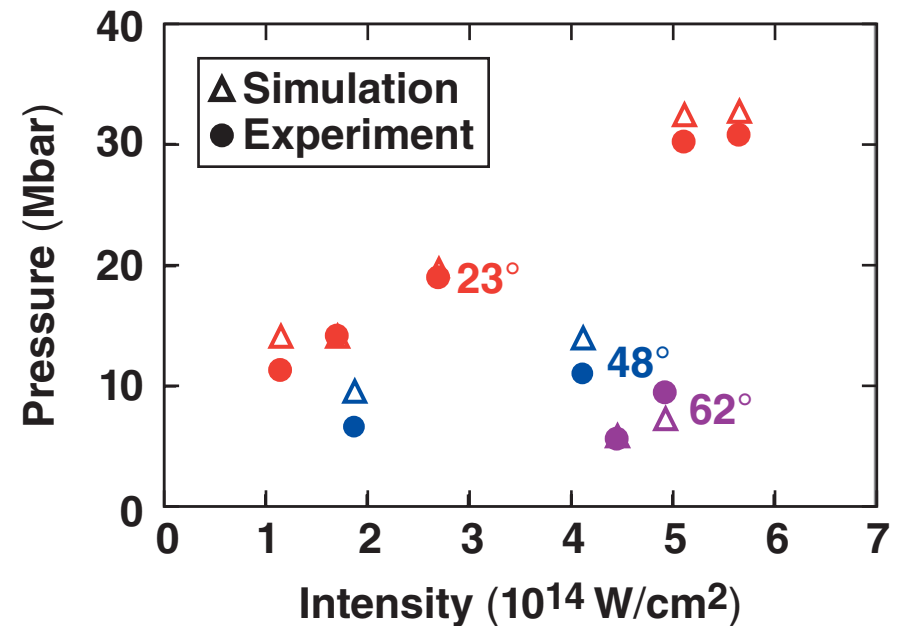
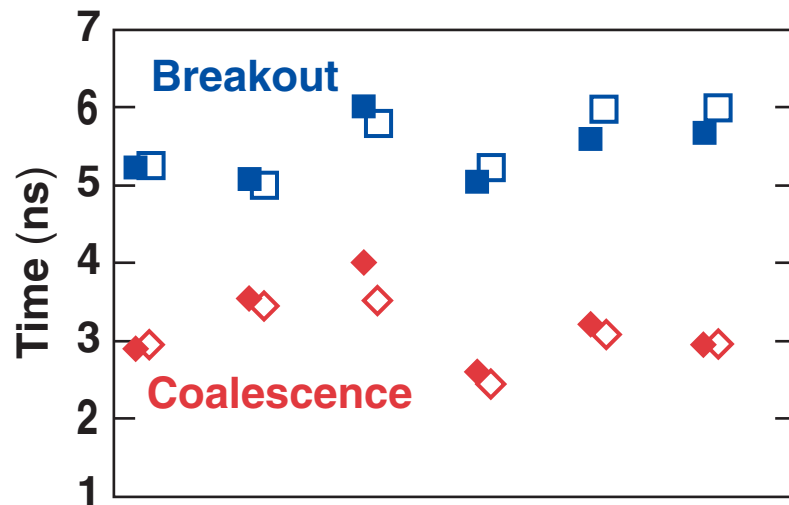
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Multi-pulse experiments on CH targets are well simulated using a 1-D hydrocode with ray tracing

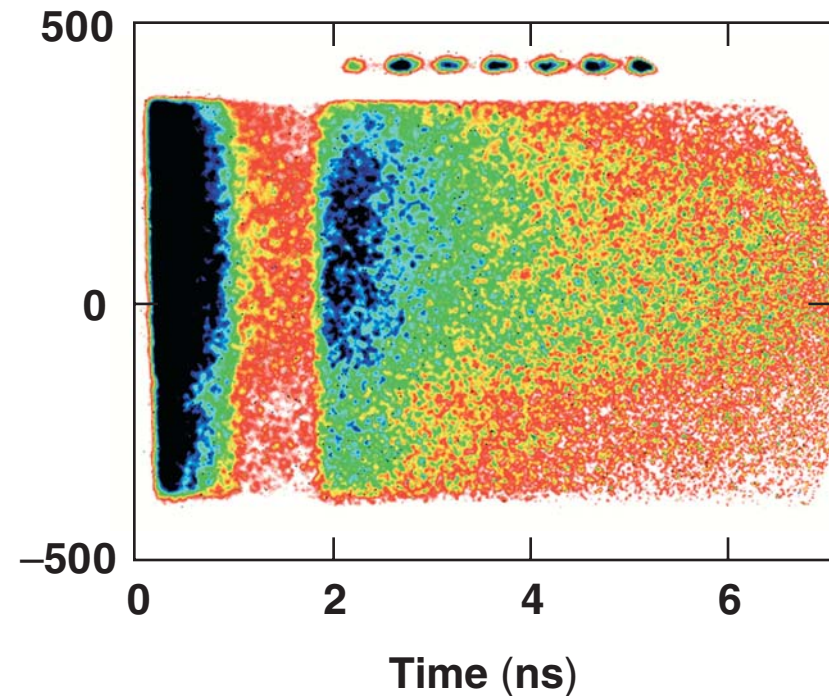
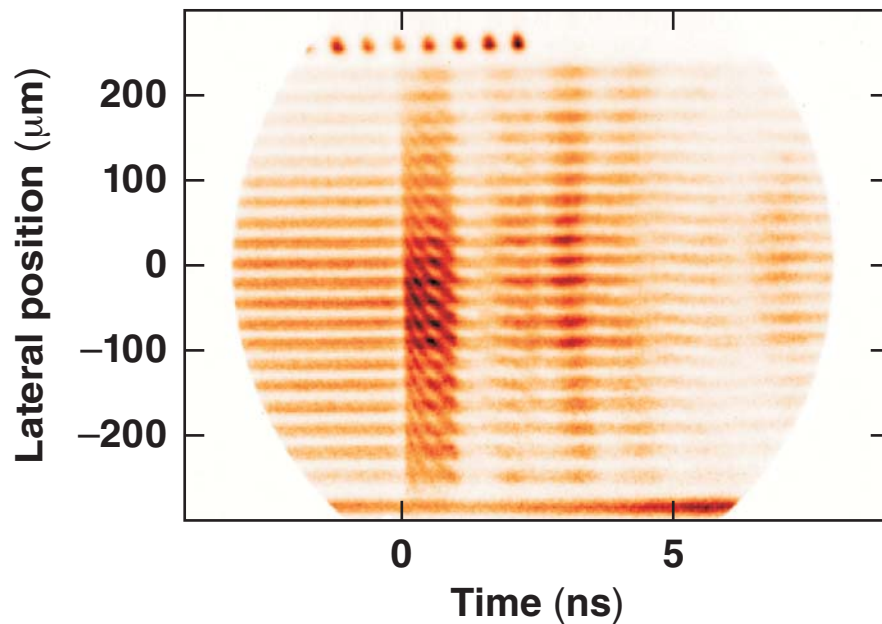


Shock-Timing in Cryogenic D₂

Shock coalescence is readily detected in self emission, even when VISAR blanks

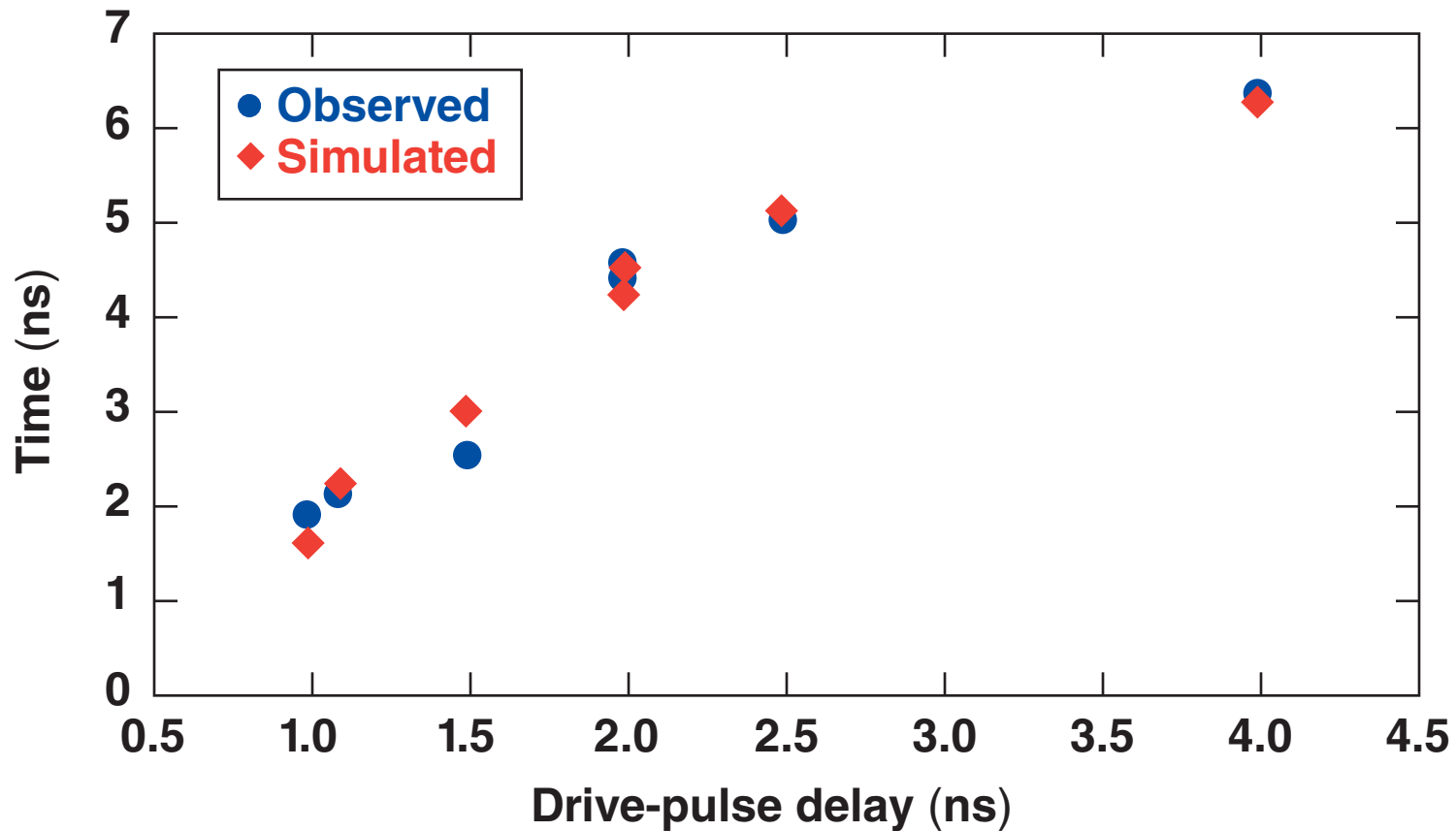


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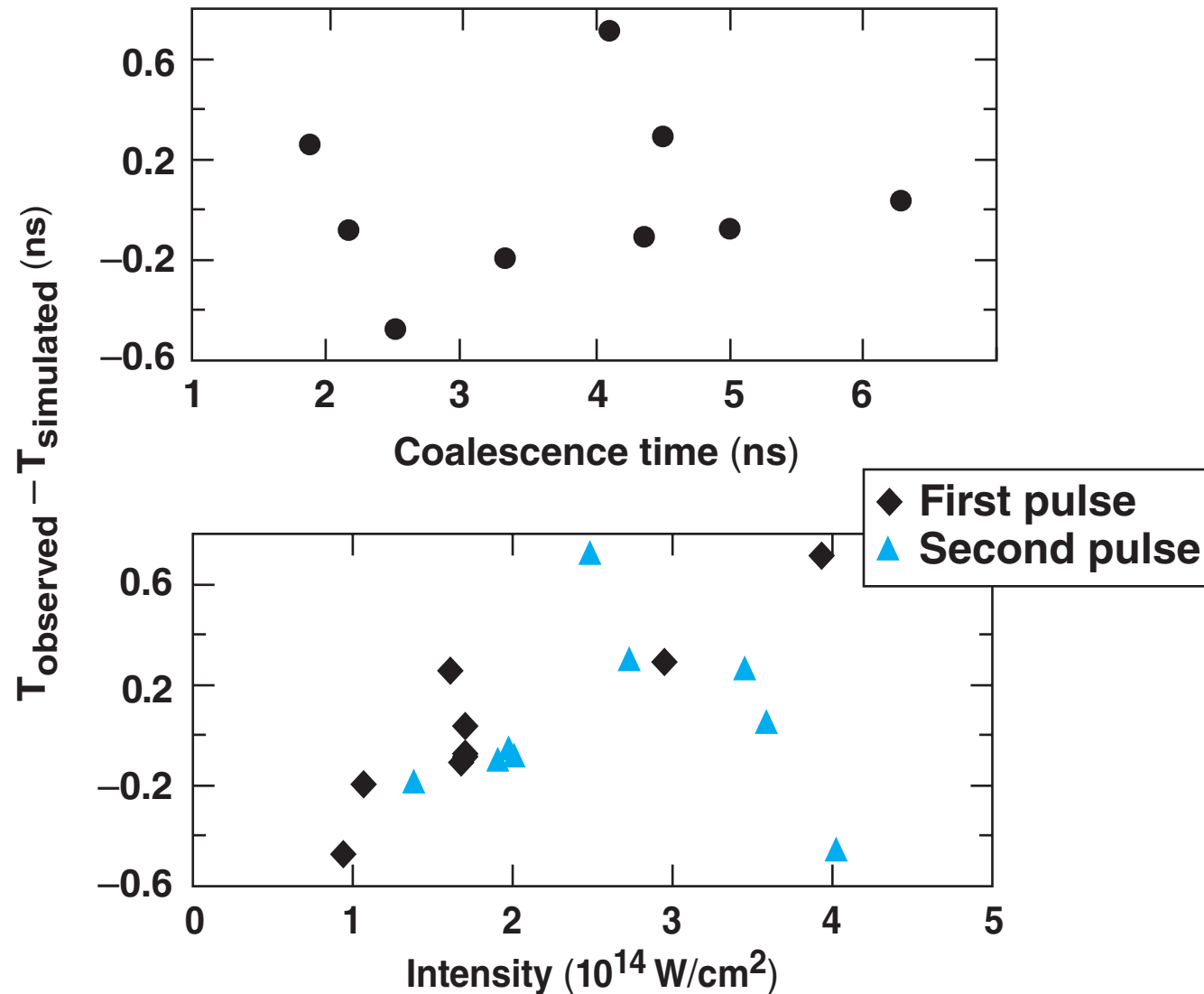
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Coalescence time correlates with interpulse delay

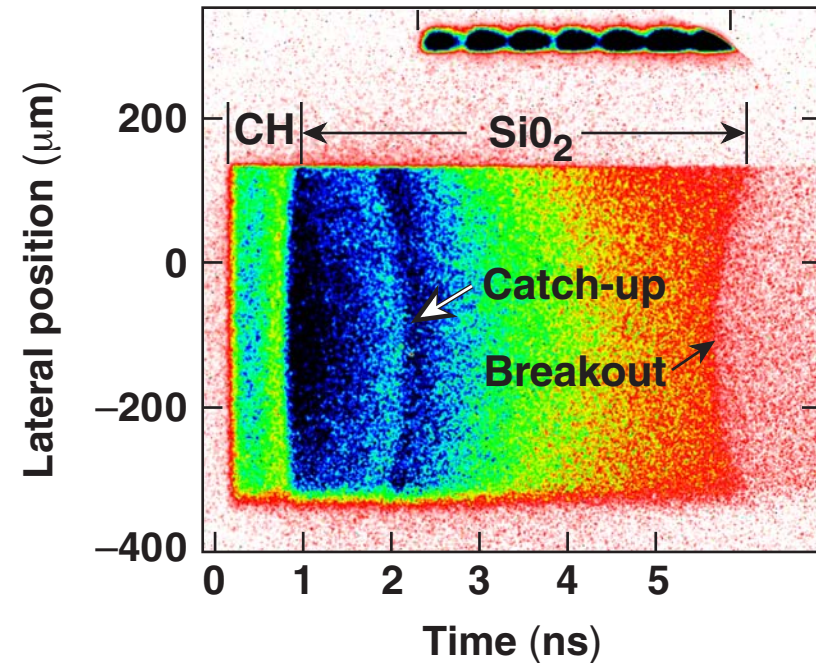
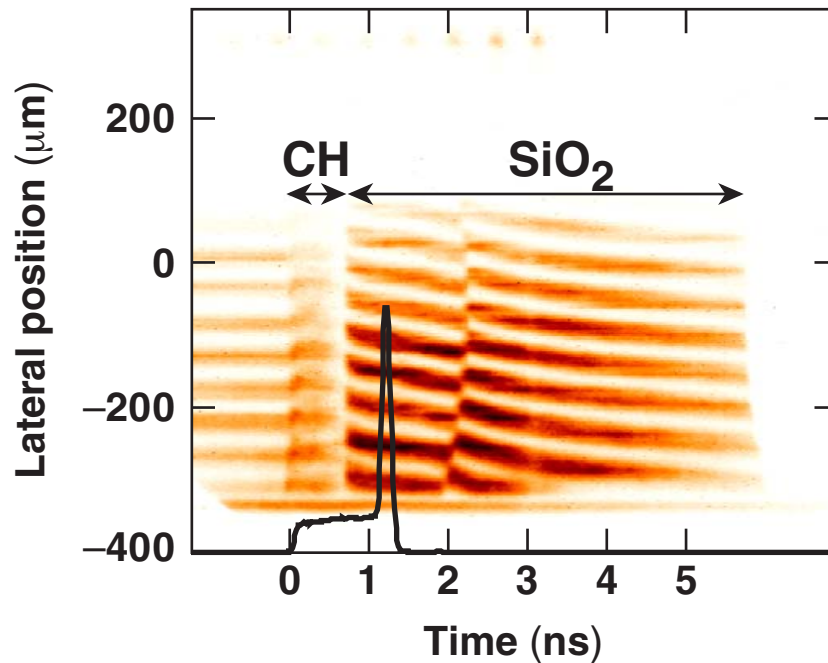
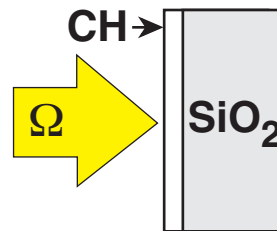


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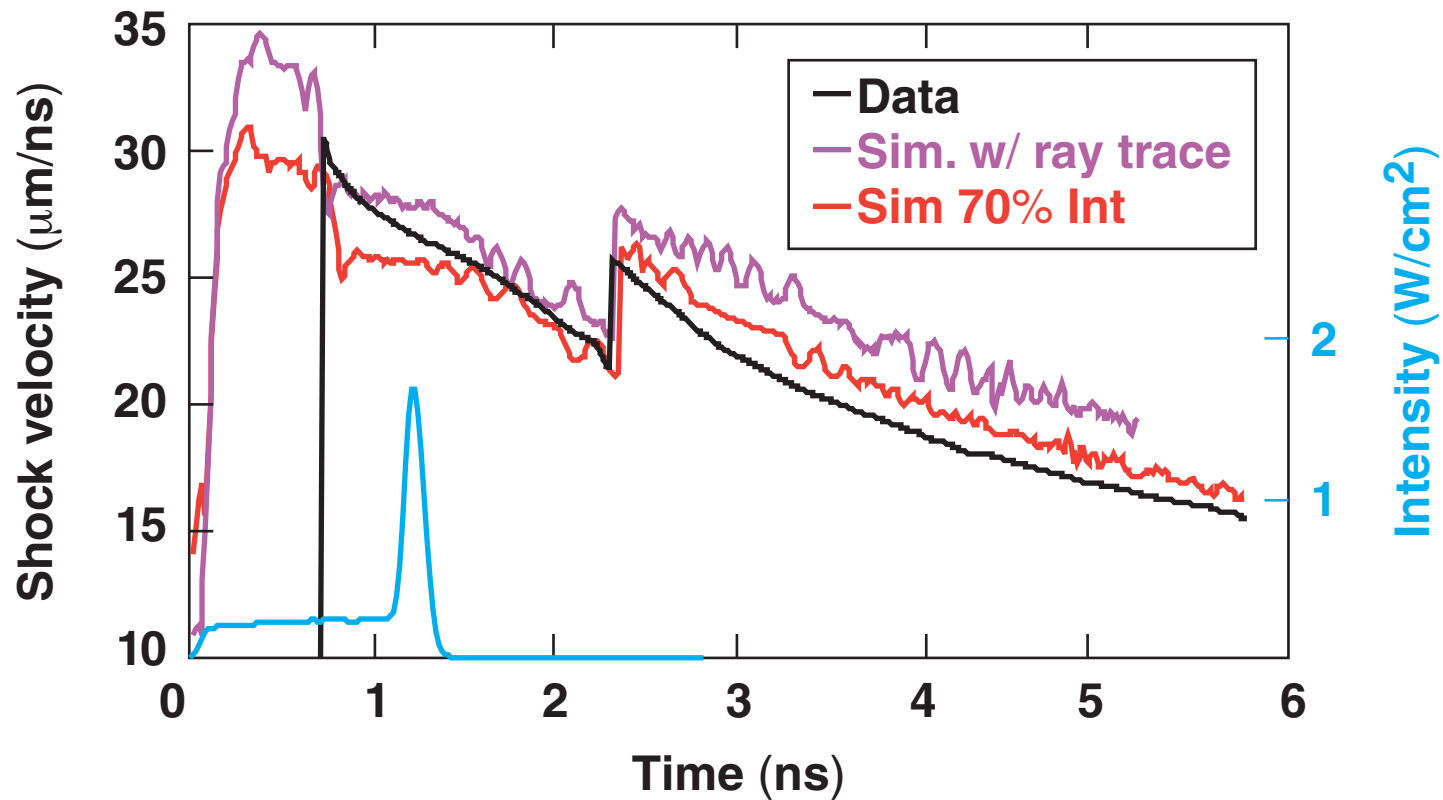
Prediction accuracy does not correlate with coalescence time, but does with intensity



Shock velocities can be measured during the entire drive pulse using surrogate targets



Velocity profiles from shaped pulses are used to constrain models



Double-pulse experiments are used to study shock timing for ICF target designs

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