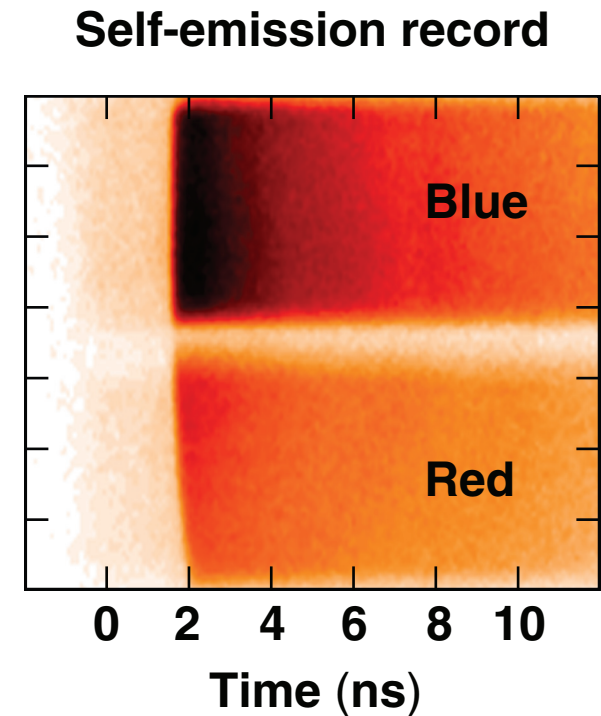
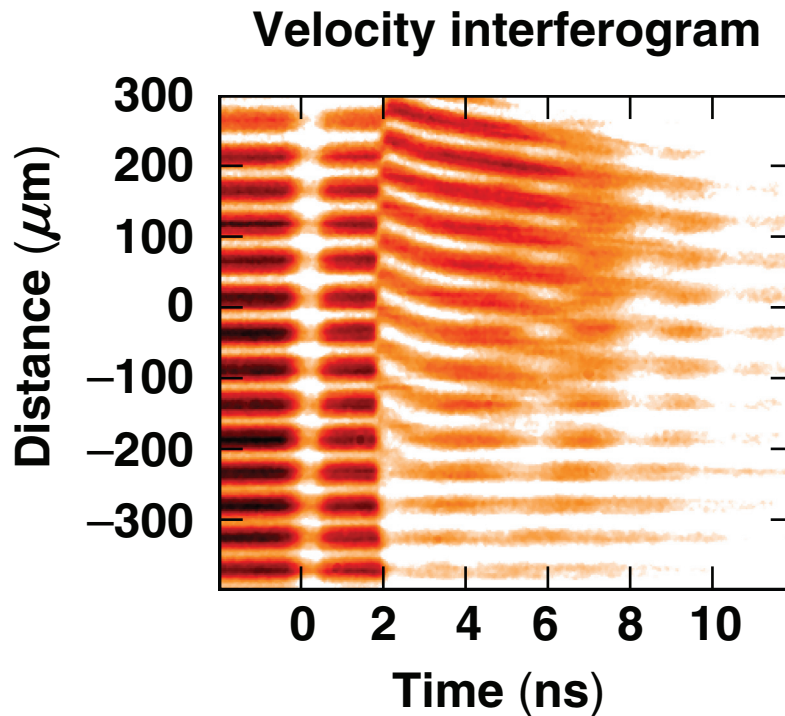


# High-Pressure Equation-of-State Studies Using Laser-Driven Decaying Shocks



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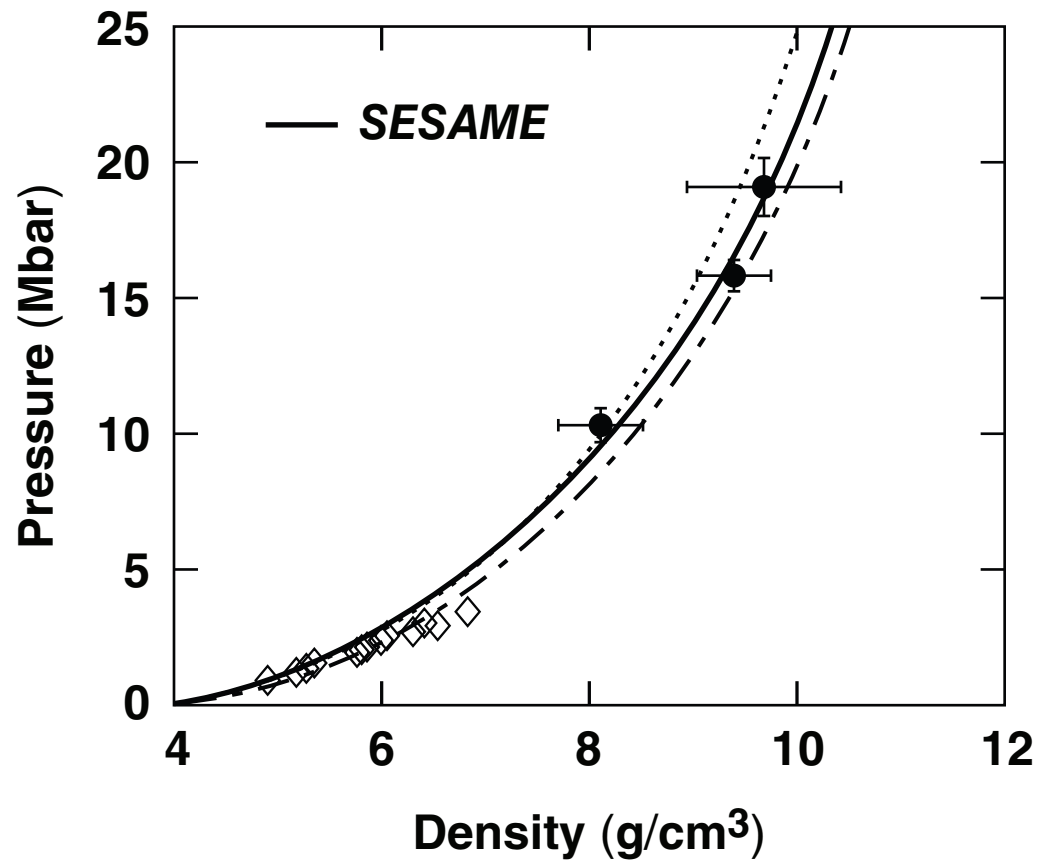
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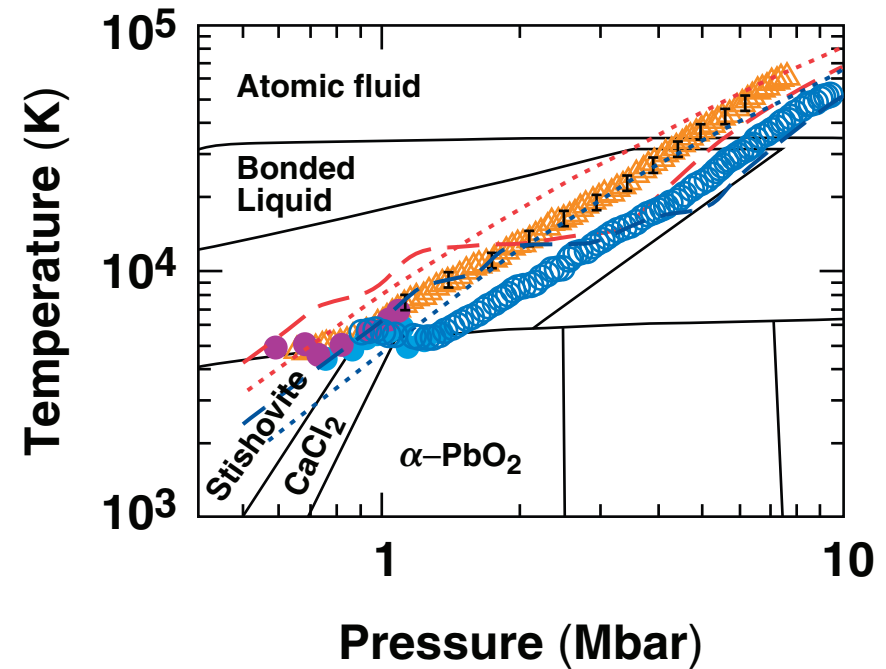
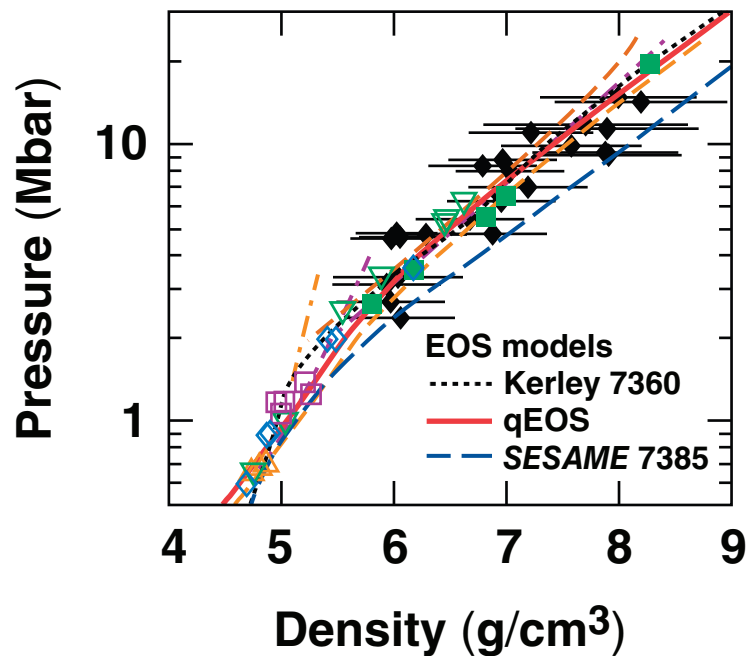
## Sapphire

The kinematic EOS of sapphire has been measured over many Mbar



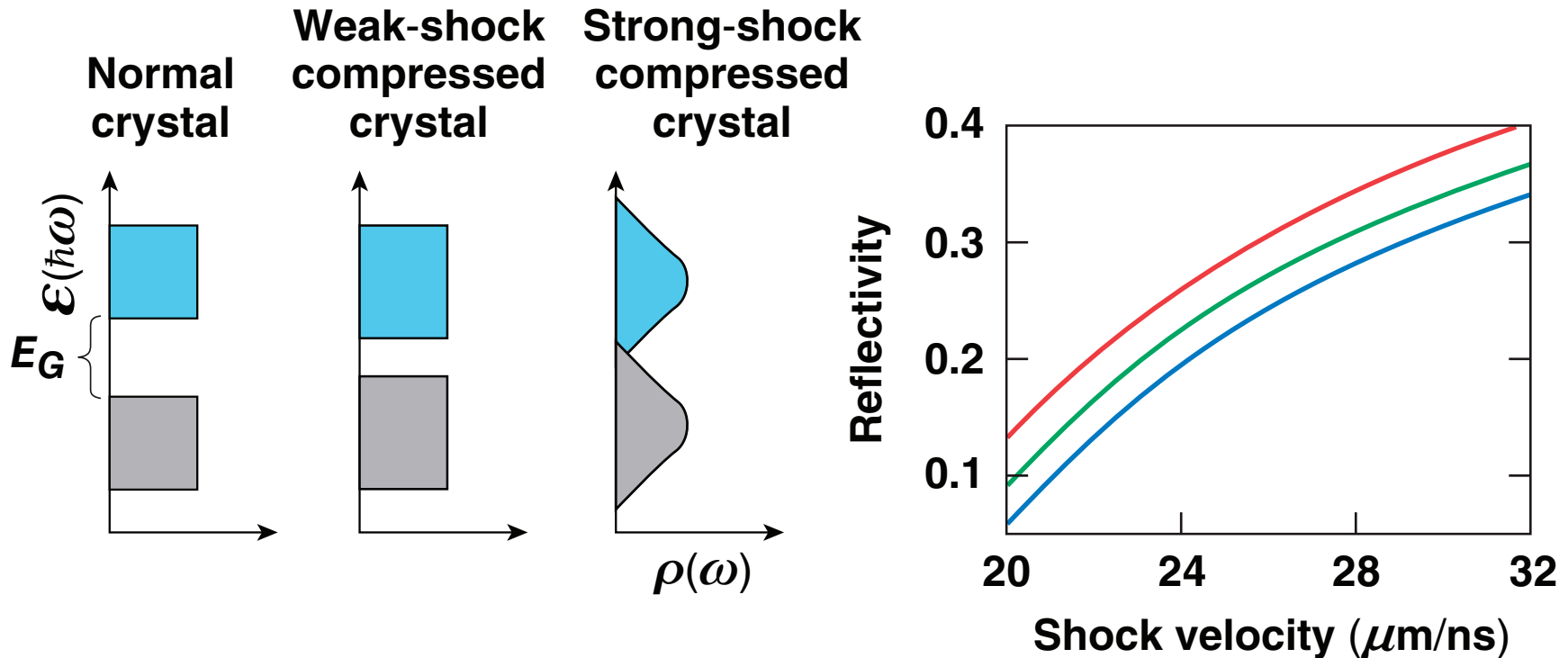
## Silica

A previous study of the thermal properties of silica was used to identify phase transitions



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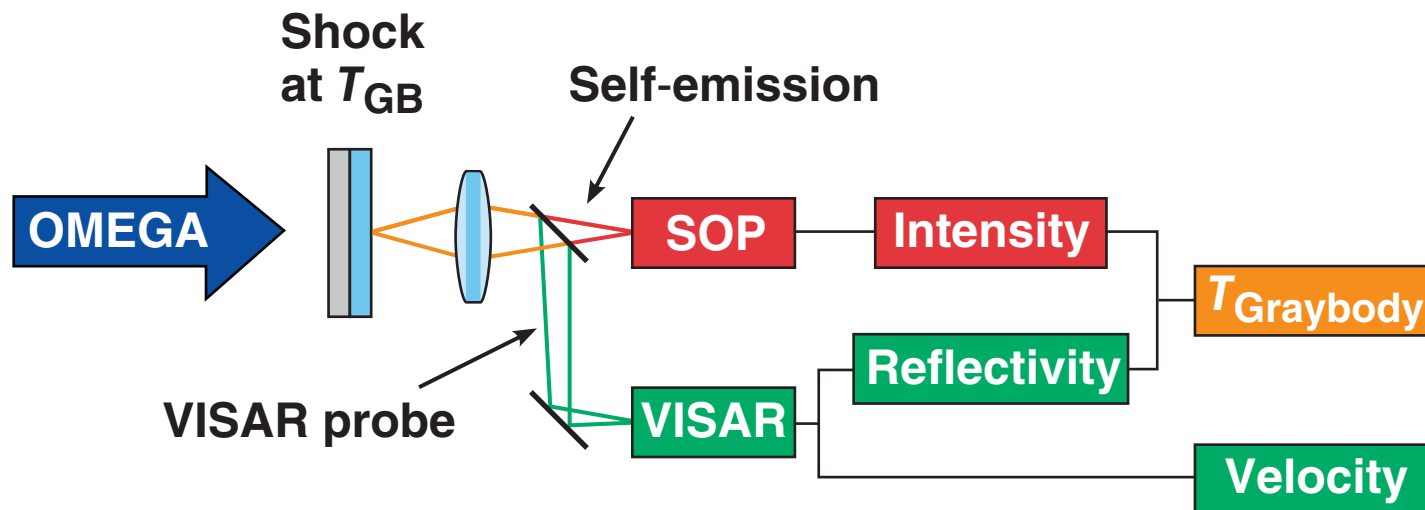
# Near metalization, the shock-front reflectivity is characterized by a Drude-like behavior



$$R = \frac{(n - n_{00})^2 + \kappa^2}{(n + n_{00})^2 + \kappa^2}$$

$$n + i\kappa = \sqrt{\epsilon_B \left[ 1 - \frac{\omega_p(E_G)^2}{\omega^2} \frac{1}{1 - i/\omega\tau(E_G, \gamma)} \right]}$$

# Simultaneous kinematic and thermal measurements are obtained with VISAR\* and a two-channel SOP\*\*



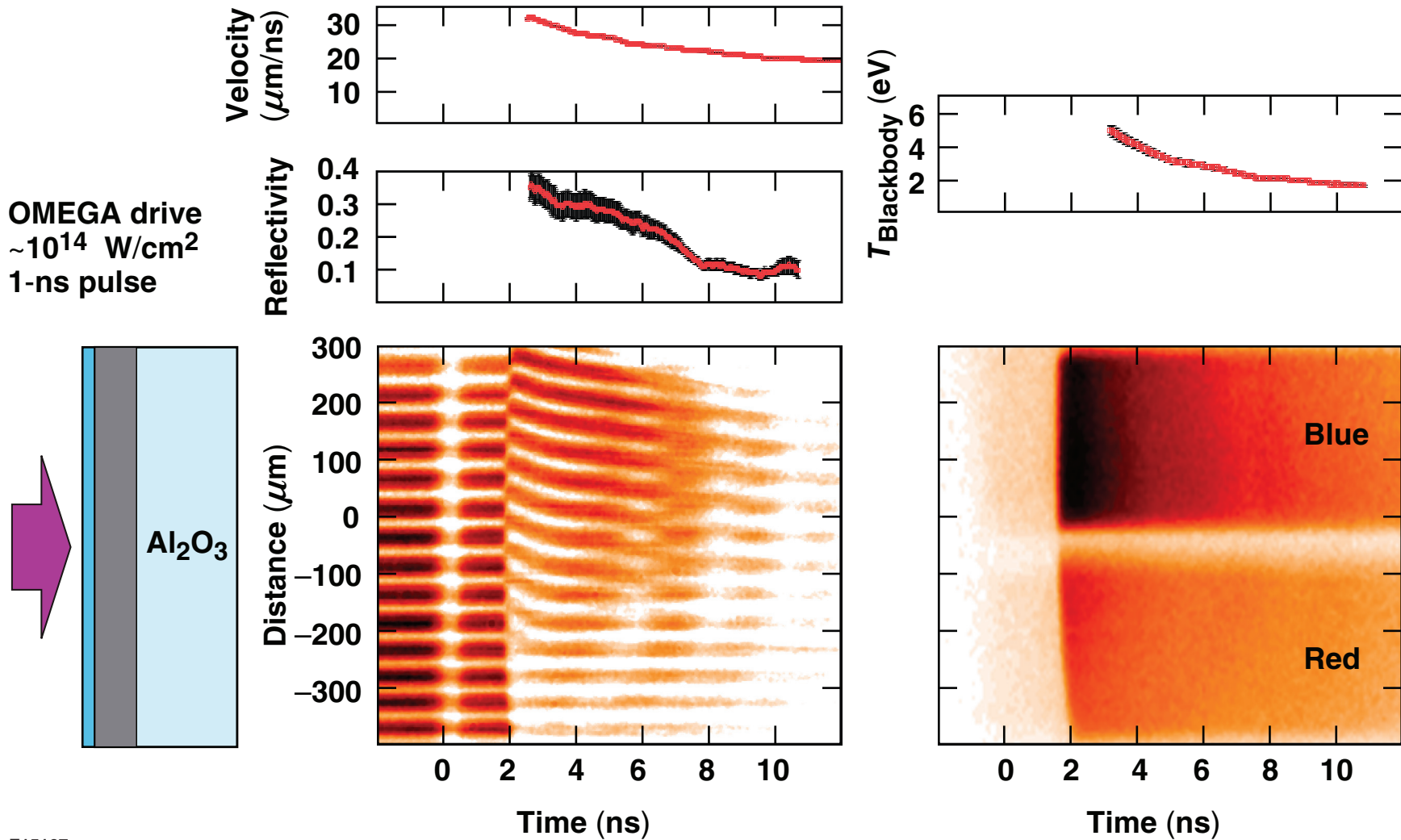
$$T_{GB} = \frac{T_0}{\text{Ln}[1 + (1 - R) * A/I]}$$

\*Velocity Interferometer System for Any Reflector

\*\*Streaked Optical Pryometer

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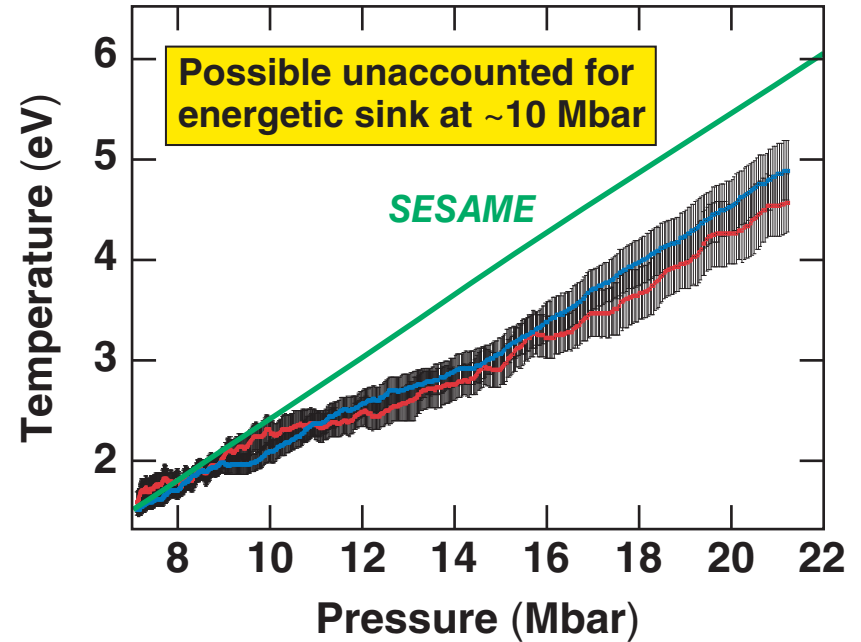
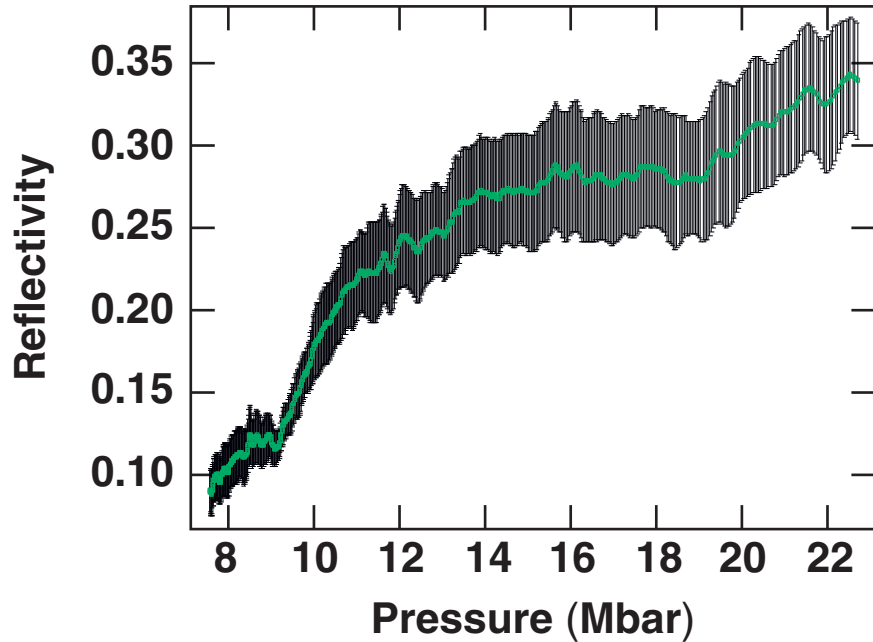
## Shock velocity, temperature, and reflectivity are simultaneously measured as the shock decays





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## SESAME deviation at high pressures may indicate unaccounted for energetics

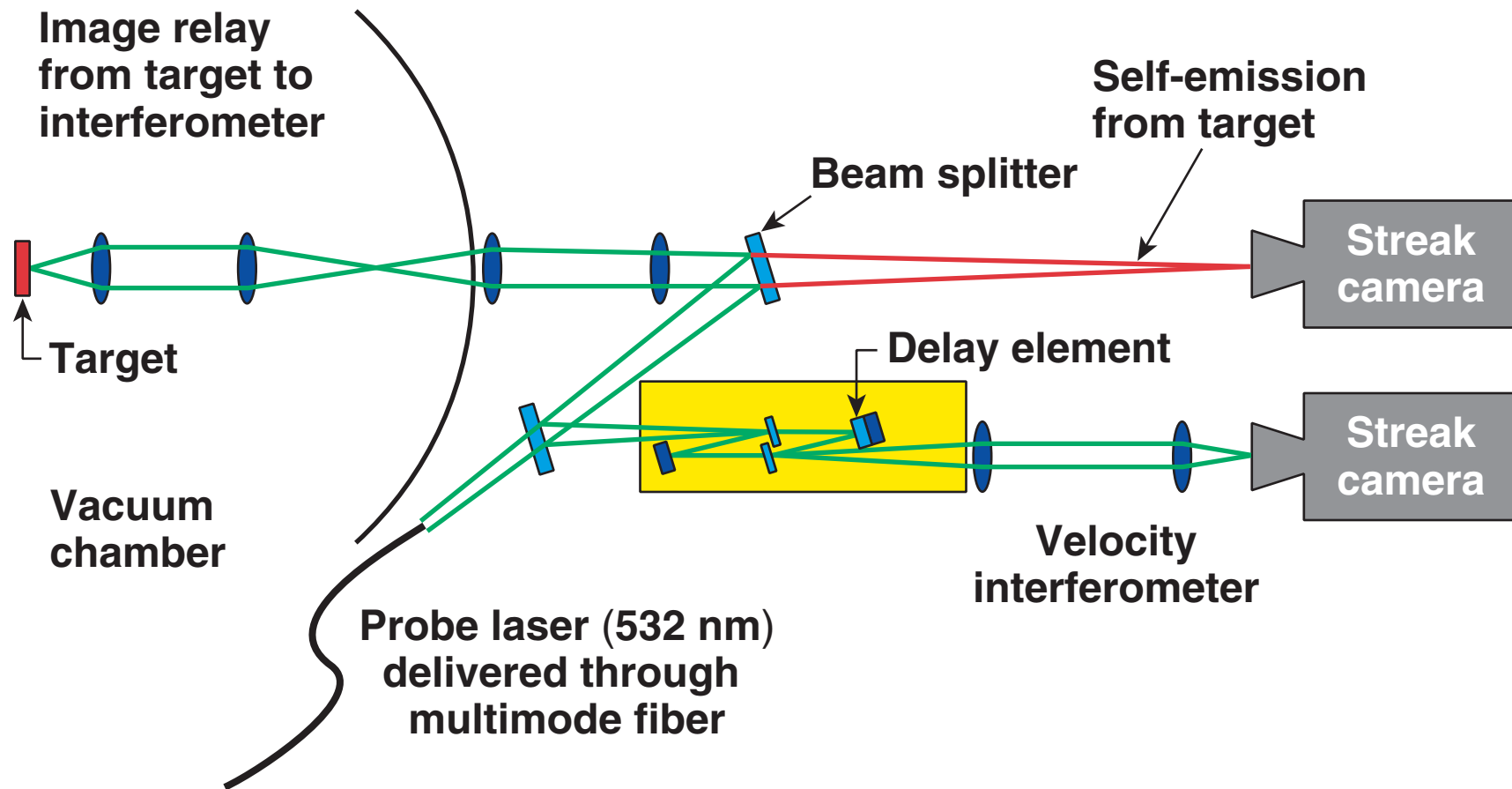


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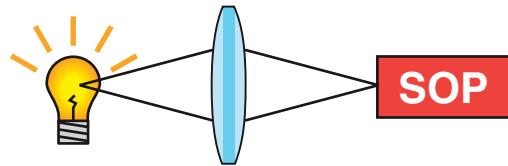
# Shock velocity, reflectivity, and self-emission are measured using time-resolved VISAR\* and SOP\*\*



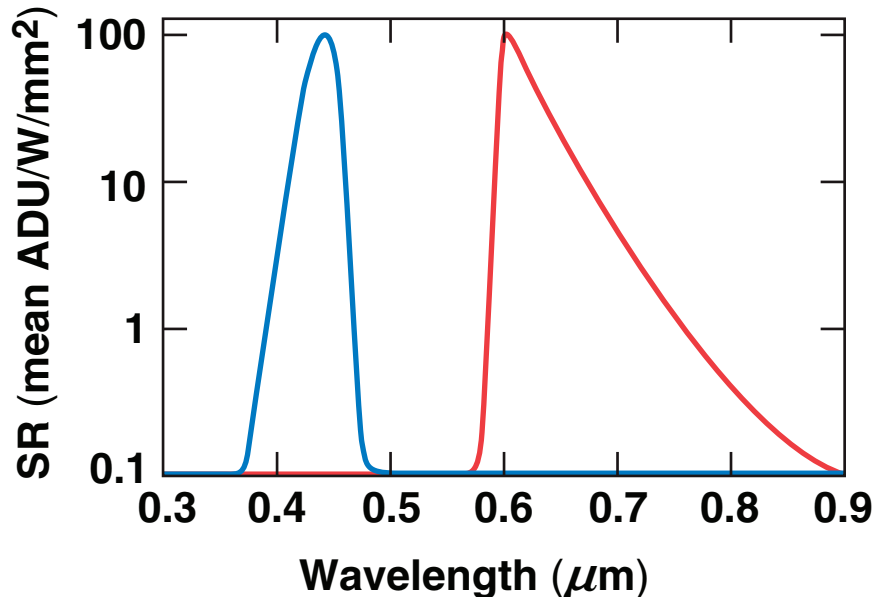
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\*\* Streaked optical pyrometer (designed and implemented by LANL, modified to current state by LLNL)

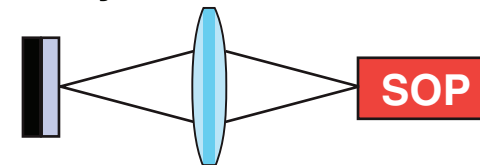
# The SOP spectral response was absolutely calibrated\* to relate SOP output to brightness temperature



Spectral Response Function of the SOP



Blackbody



Blackbody Temperature Dependence of SOP Output

