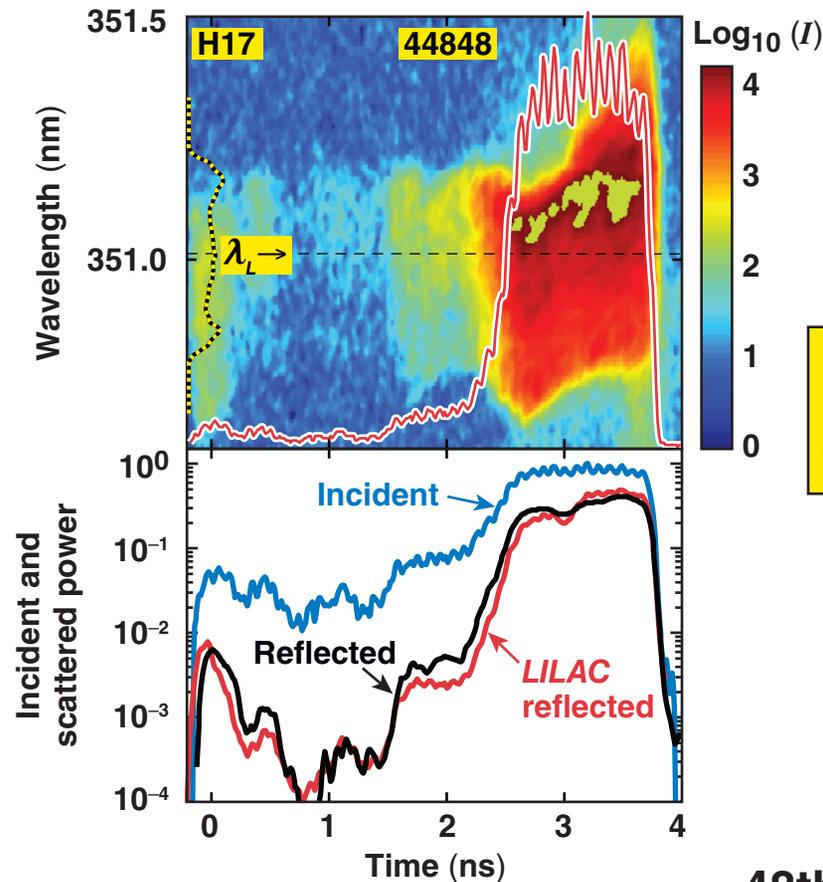


Time-Dependent Absorption Measurements in Direct-Drive Spherical Implosions



Scattered light
spectrum of cryogenic
target implosion

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Summary

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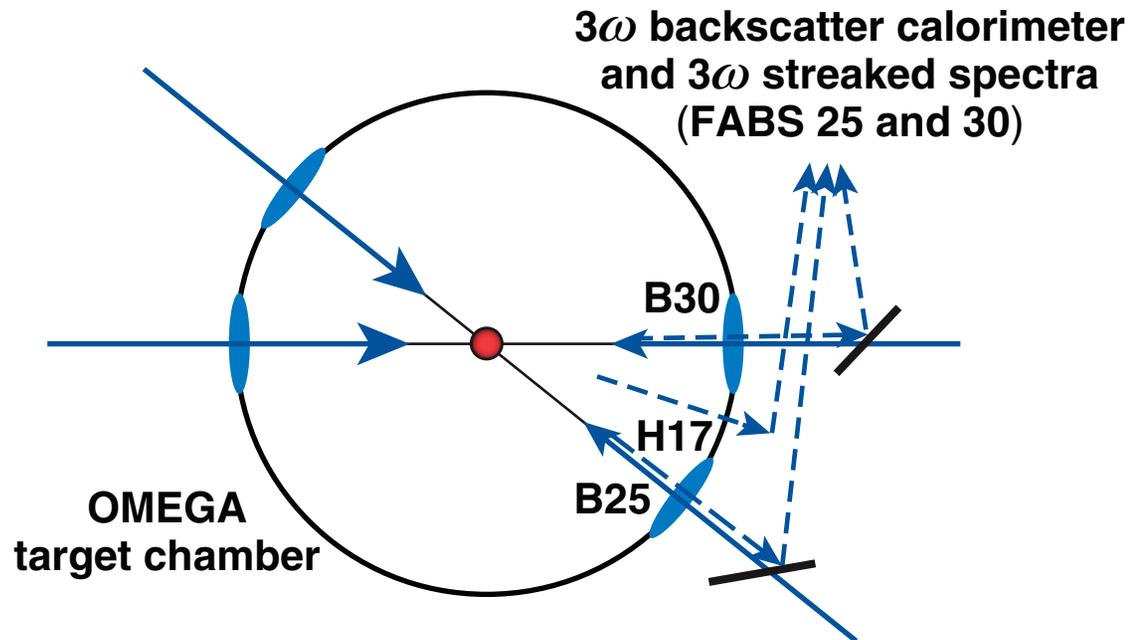
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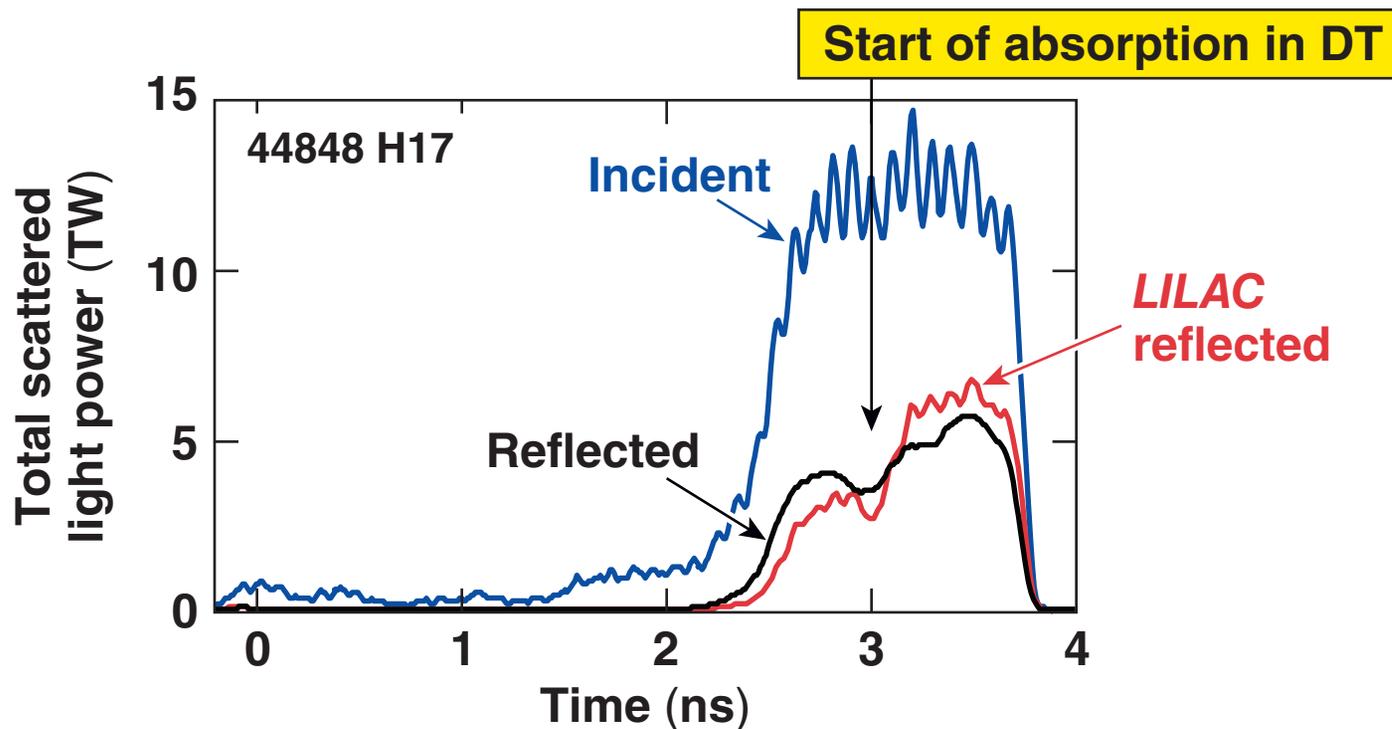
Scattered light is detected behind two focusing lenses (FABS 25 and 30) and in between focusing lenses (H17)



- FABS measurements have contributions from opposing beams that miss the target (required corrections can be significant).
- Measurement: scattered light extrapolated to 4π (E_{scatt})
 - \rightarrow absorption = $(E_{\text{tot}} - E_{\text{scatt}})/E_{\text{tot}}$
 - calculated deviations from isotropy are in percentage range.

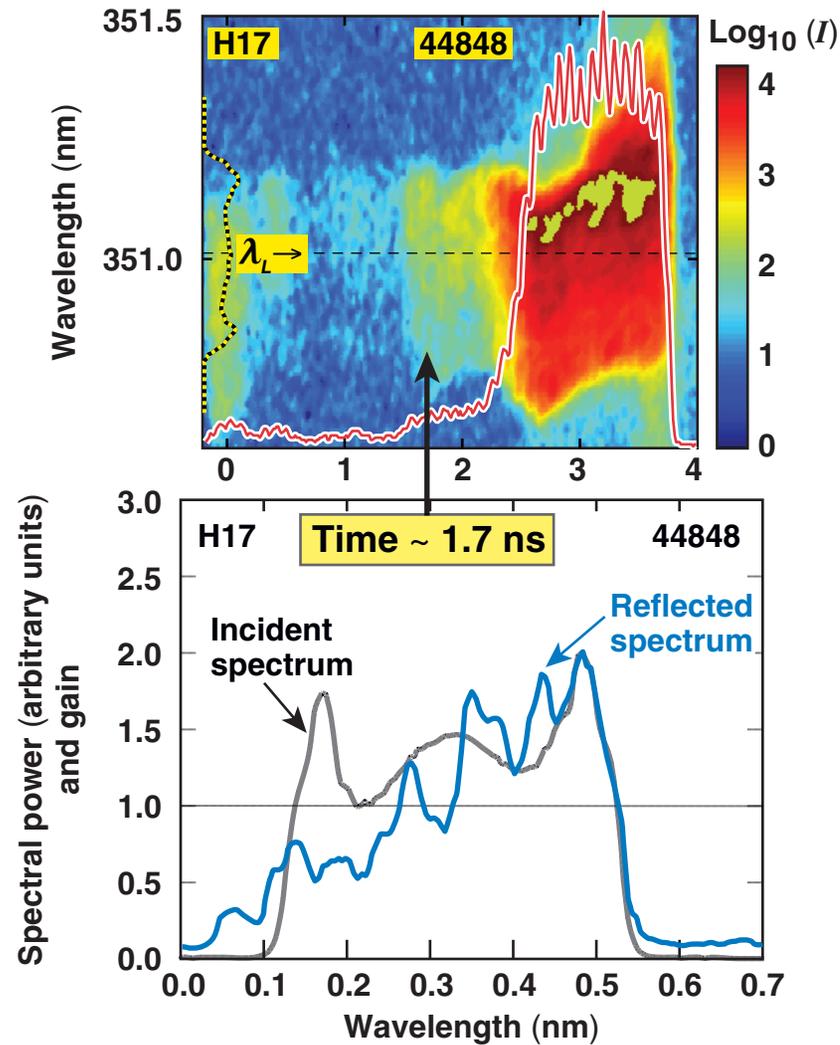
Time-resolved scattered light measurements clearly show onset of absorption in DT, in agreement with predictions

Target: cryogenic DT ($95 \mu\text{m}$), $5.4\text{-}\mu\text{m}$ CD shell

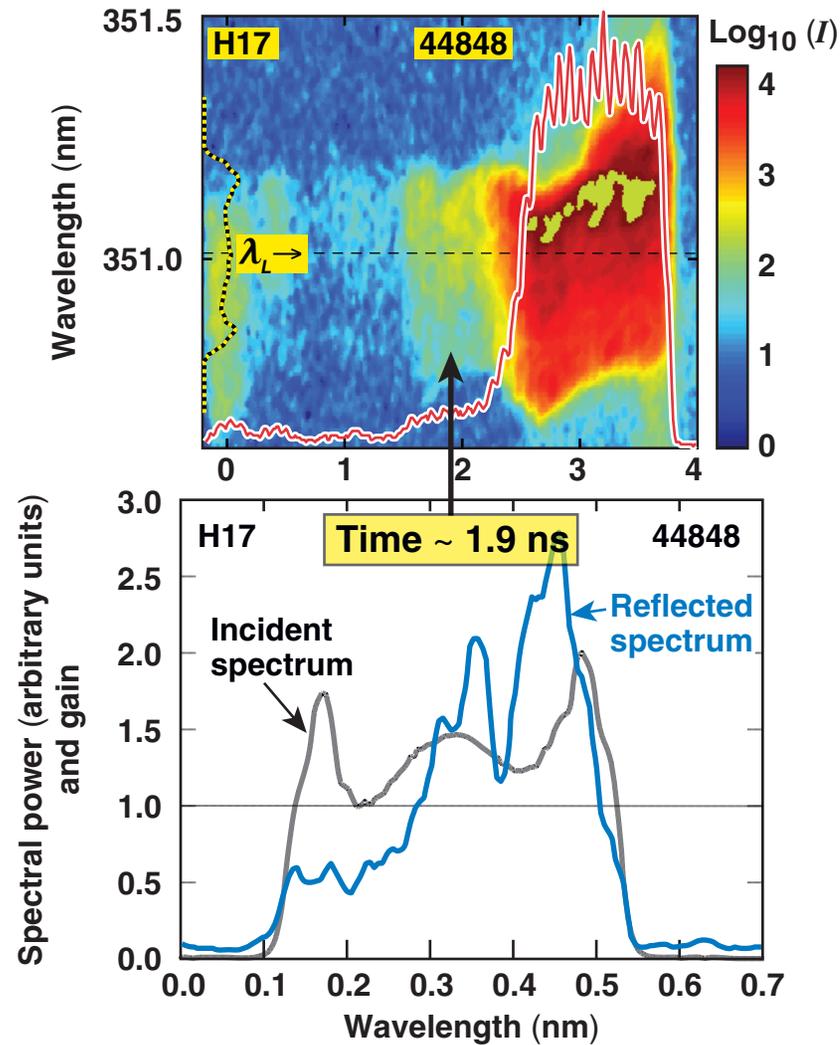


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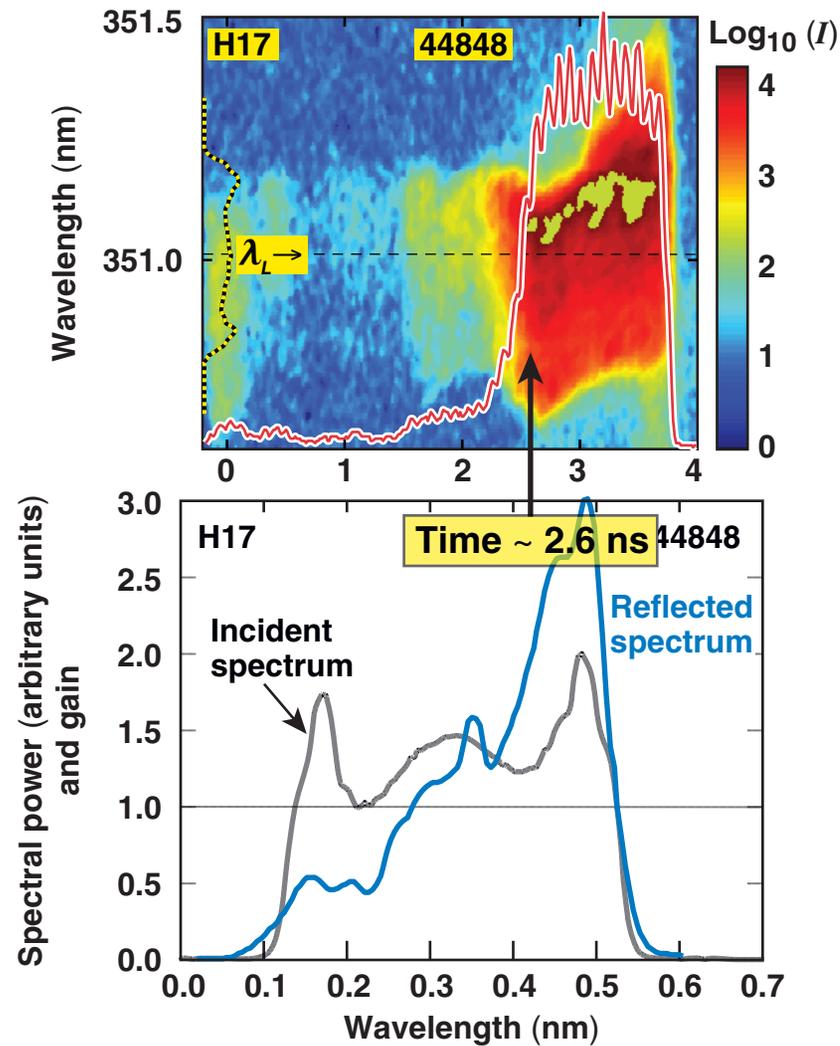
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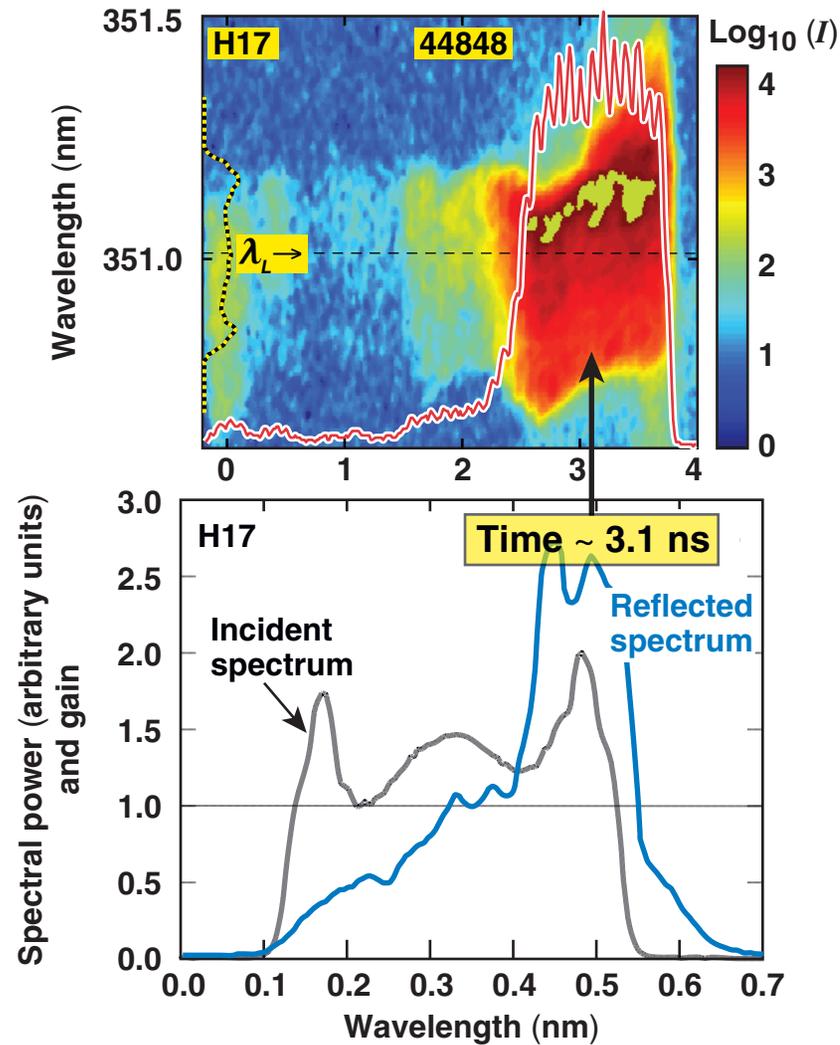
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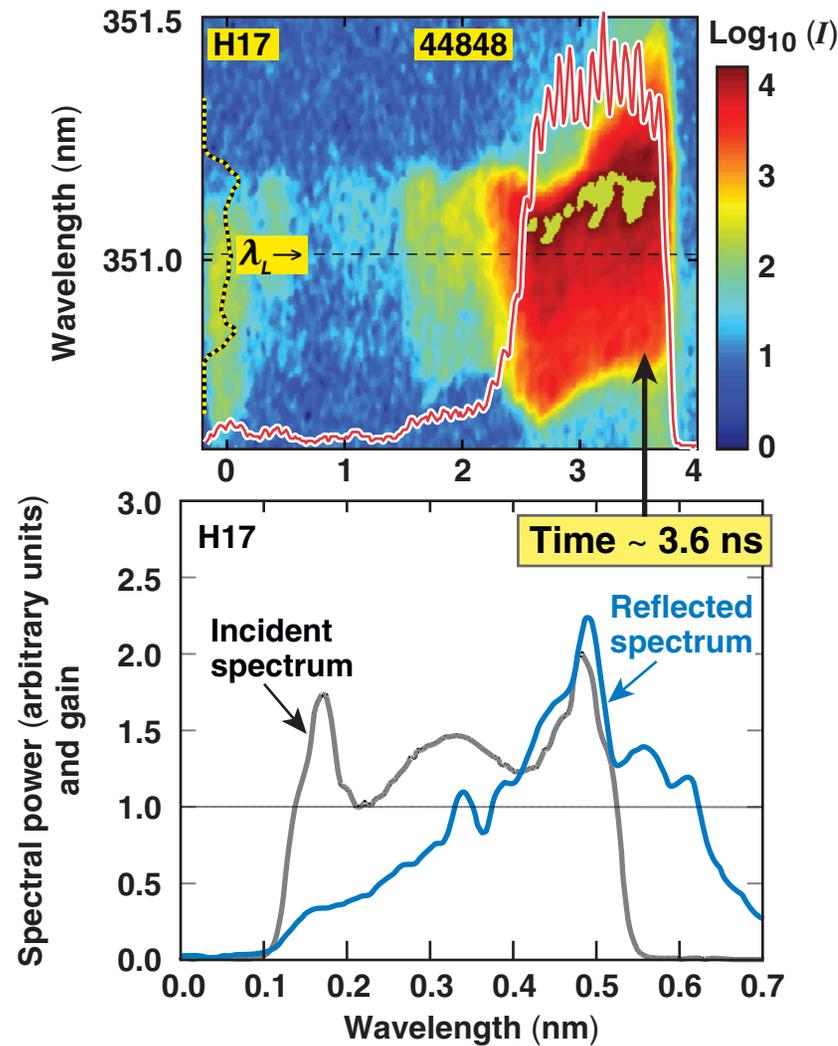
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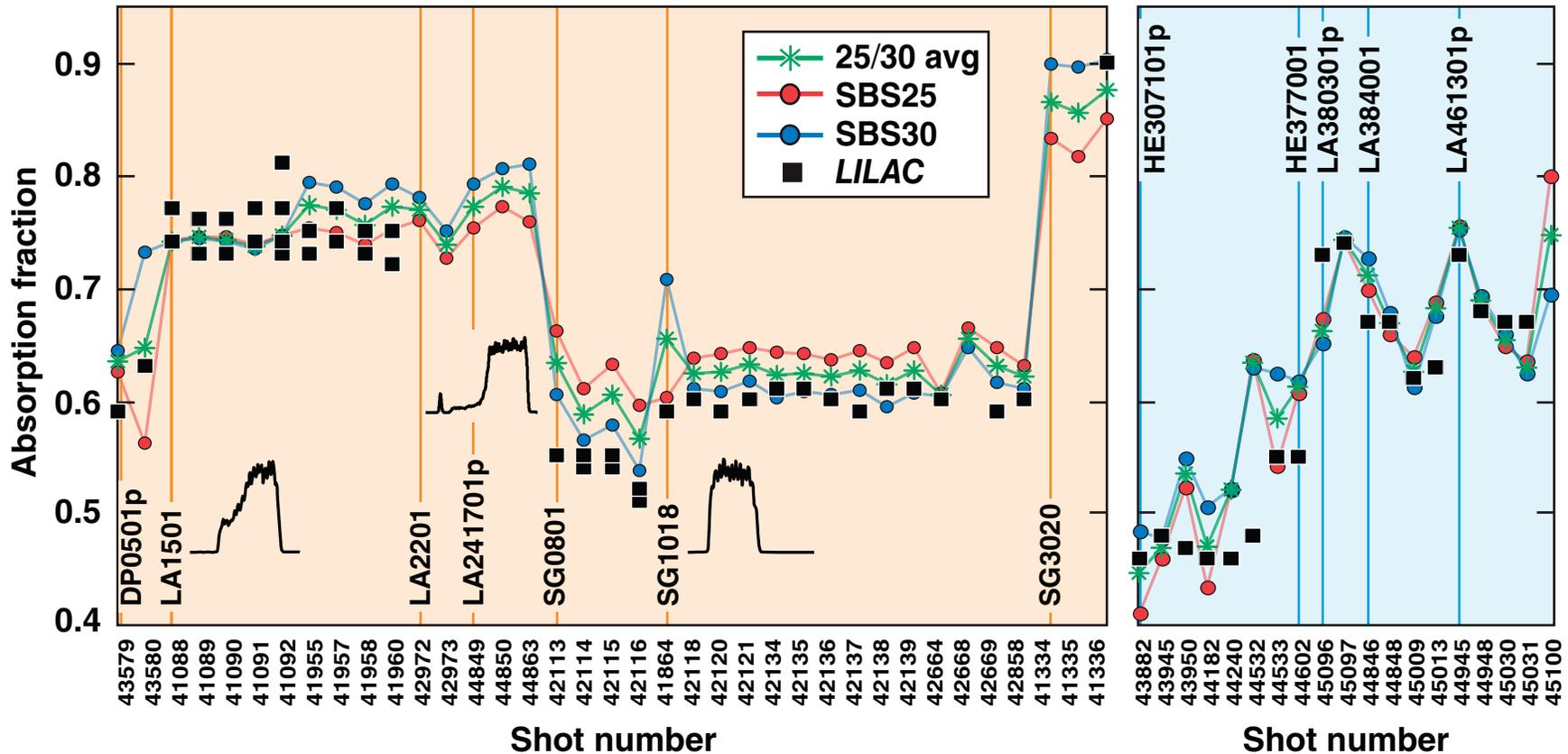
The scattering process is complex since all 60 beams contribute to a varying degree during the irradiation, and SBS gains are low but clearly observable.

Time-integrated absorption data agree quite well with *LILAC* over a wide range of targets, pulse shapes, and irradiation energies

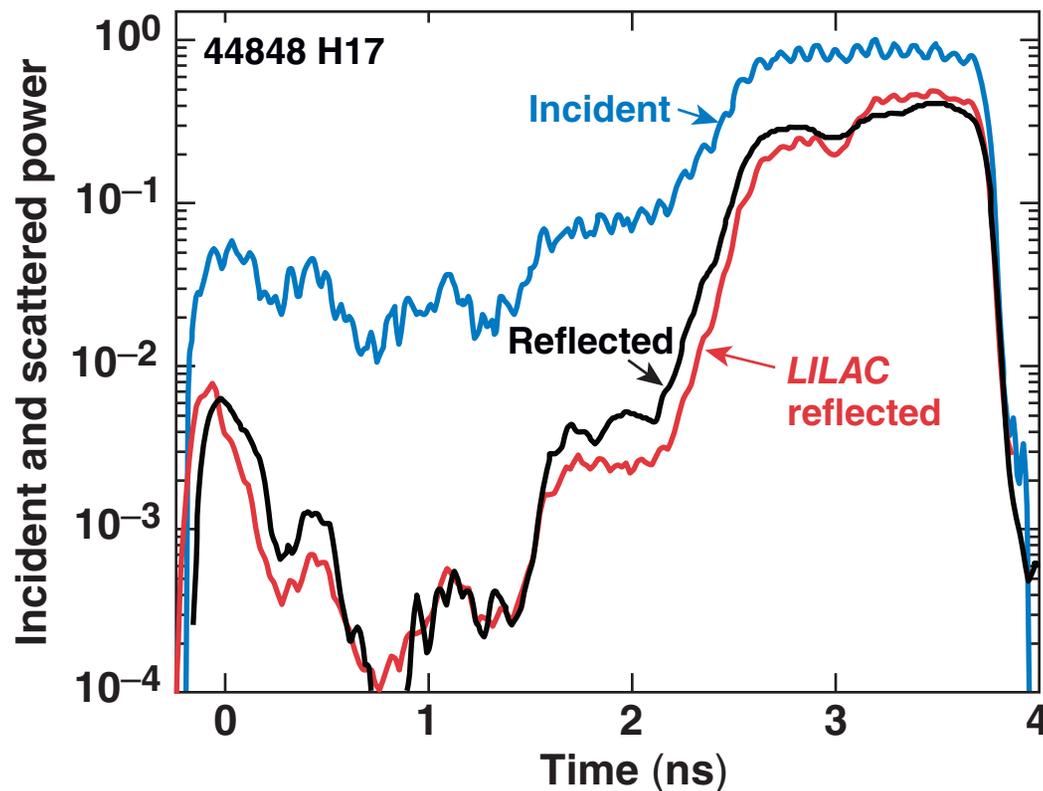


Warm OMEGA implosions between Sept. 2005 and Sept. 2006

Cryogenic OMEGA implosions between March and Sept. 2006



Measured time-resolved scattered-light powers differ from hydrodynamic predictions in subtle ways

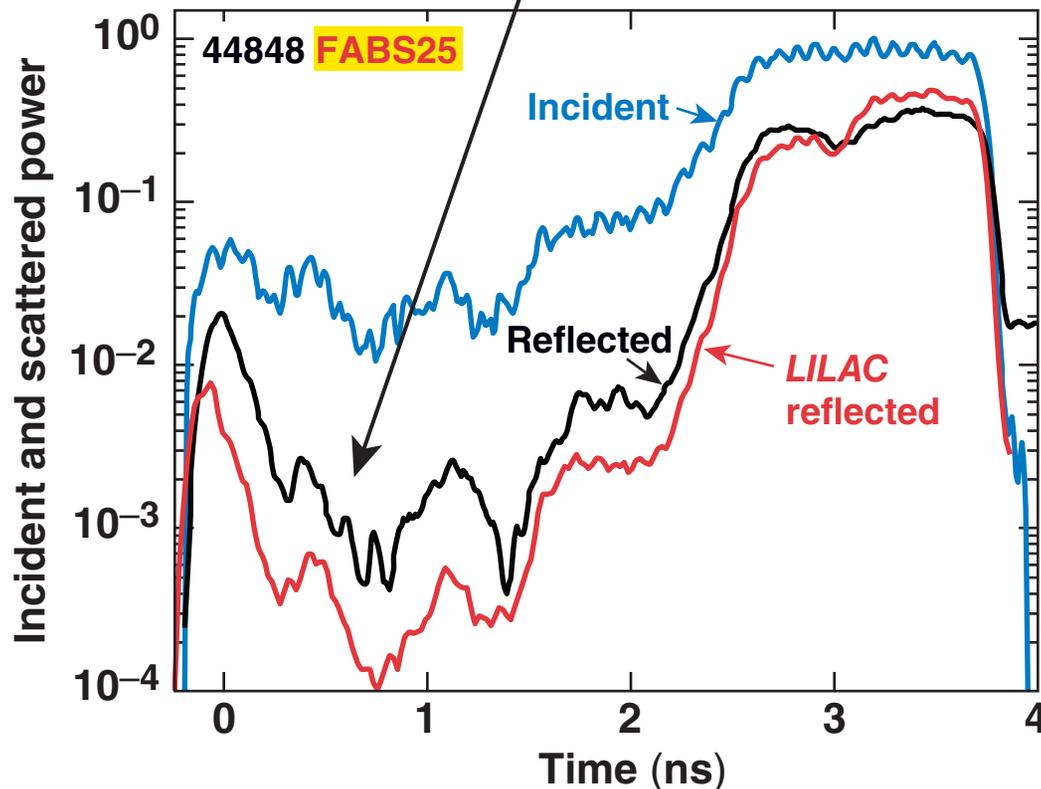


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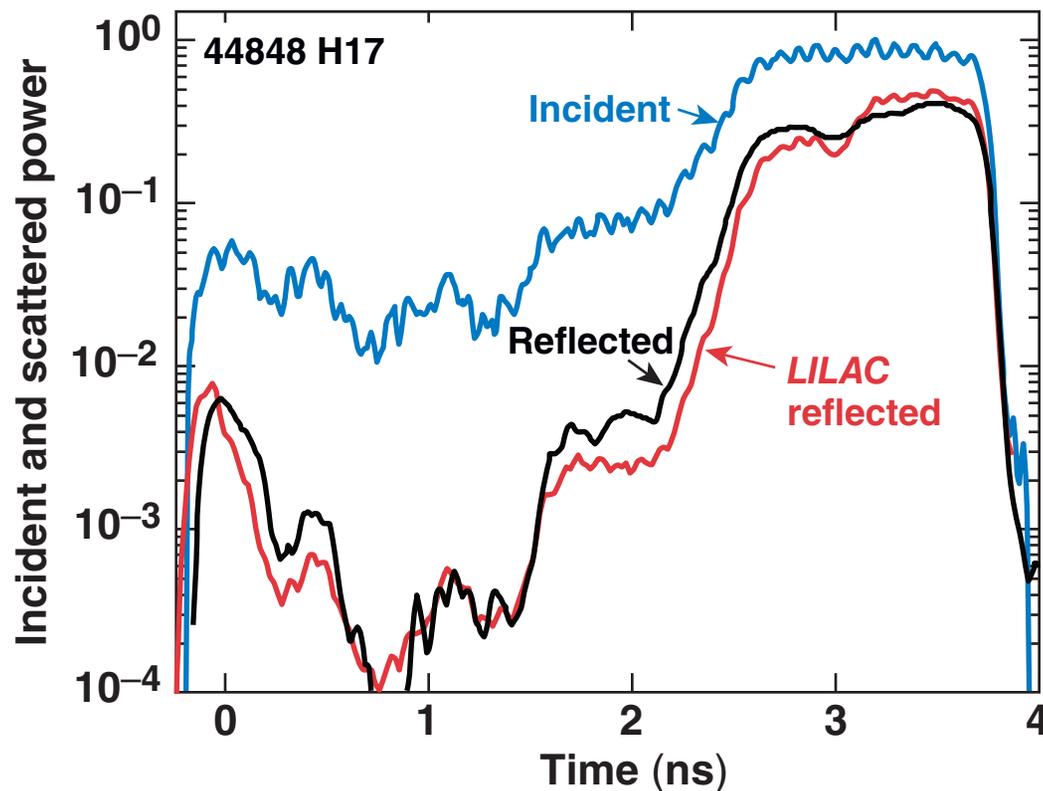
Blow-by around the target significantly affects scattered light measurements in FABS stations.



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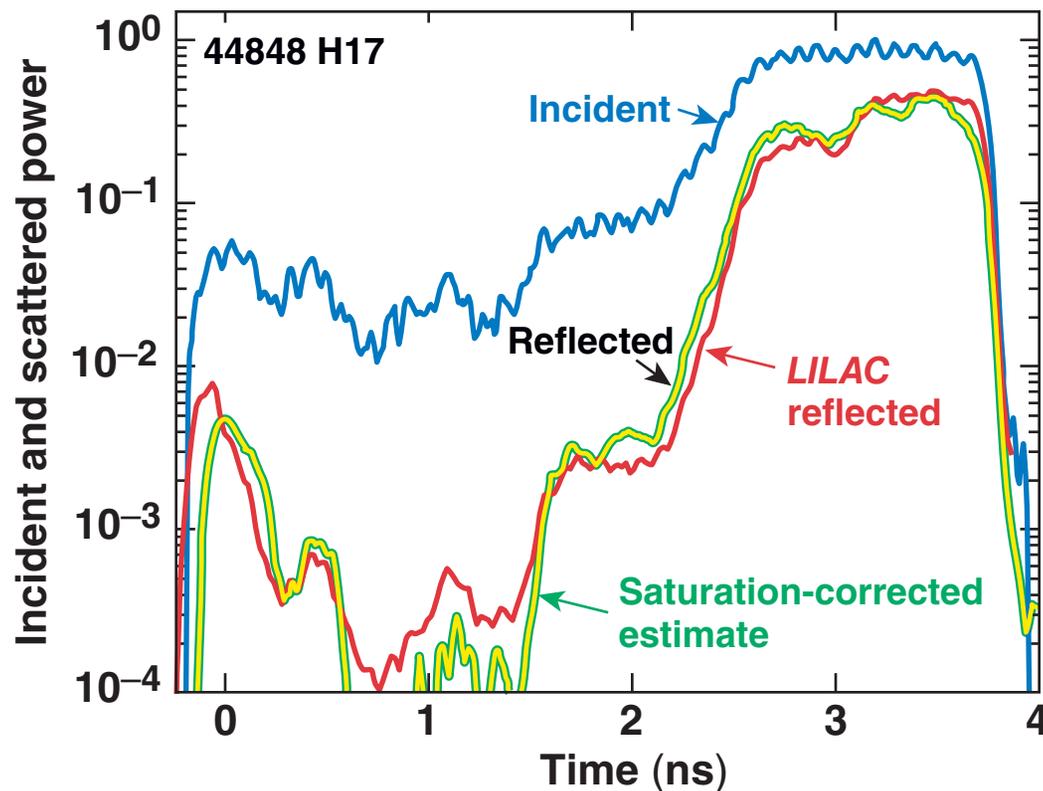
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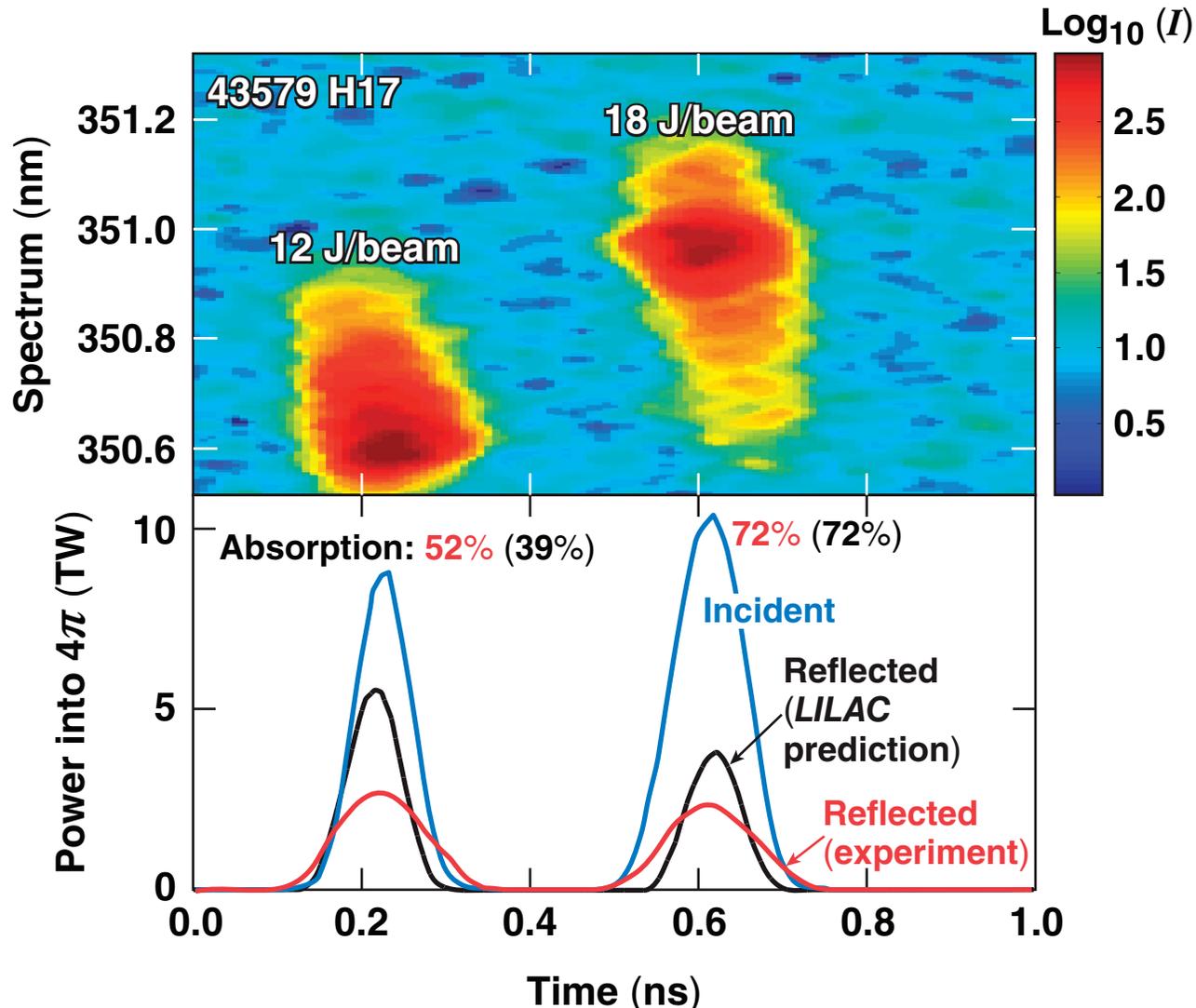
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Double-picket pulses are well suited for investigating unexpectedly higher absorption at early times



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