

Modeling Ion-Heat Transport in ICF Targets

University of Rochester Laboratory for Laser Energetics

Orlando, FL 12-16 November 2007 Summary

The new nonlocal ion-heating transport model is being developed to study hot-spot formation in ICF designs

- The model is based on the solution of a simplified Boltzmann equation.
- The hot spot can be preheated by the nonlocal effect.
- The model prediction for the peak proton shock-yield rate is in good agreement with the experimental data.
- The model is currently being applied to cryogenic targets.



V. N. Goncharov, I. V. Igumenshchev, and S. Skupsky Laboratory for Laser Energetics University of Rochester

J. A. Frenje, J. R. Rygg, C. K. Li, R. D. Petrasso, and F. H. Séguin

Plasma Science and Fusion Center Massachusetts Institute of Technology

A local ion-heat transport model does not agree with experimental results



Nonlocal ion transport affects hot-spot formation in ICF targets



LL

A new model has been developed to calculate the ion-heat flux and ion viscosity

• A simplified Boltzmann equation (Krook model)

$$v_{\mathbf{x}} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = -v(f - f_0)$$
 $f_0 = \frac{n}{(2\pi T/m)^{3/2}} e^{\frac{m(v - V_{\mathbf{x}})^2}{2T}}$

$$f = \int_{x}^{x} f_0 e^{-\xi/\cos\theta} \frac{dx'}{\lambda\cos\theta} \qquad \xi = \int_{x'}^{x} \frac{dx''}{\lambda} \qquad \lambda = \frac{\nu}{\nu}$$

• Ion heat flux
$$q_x = \int \frac{m}{2} (v - V_x)^2 v_x f d^3 v$$

• Ion viscosity
$$\pi_{xx} = \int m \left[(\nu_x - V_x)^2 - \frac{1}{3} (\nu - V_x)^2 \right] f d^3 \nu$$

The shock profiles are modified by nonlocal ion-heat flux and ion viscocity



The shock yield is reduced by nonlocal modes, which is in better agreement with experiments



• Shock nonuniformity can contribute to the burn broadening.

The new nonlocal model is applied into the highpressure gas target with different thicknesses



Summary/Conclusions

The new nonlocal ion-heating transport model is being developed to study hot-spot formation in ICF designs

- The model is based on the solution of a simplified Boltzmann equation.
- The hot spot can be preheated by the nonlocal effect.
- The model prediction for the peak proton shock-yield rate is in good agreement with the experimental data.
- The model is currently being applied to cryogenic targets.