X-ray diffraction of shocked platinum

15000 Range of liquid Pt predicted melt Temperature (K) observed Shock curves 10000 Liquid rhcp/ 5000 **Previous work** fcc Shock-ramp platinum Hugoniot[‡] 0 10⁰ 10² 10¹ **10³ Pressure (GPa)**

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Summary

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Motivation

We investigated two aspects of the platinum phase diagram: the melt curve and a possible solid-solid phase transition



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Experiment

Platinum was compressed using specifically designed laser pulses and targets to access different *P-T* states





Experiment

The powder x-ray diffraction image plate platform (PXRDIP*) records the diffraction pattern of the compressed sample





Experiment

VISAR* tracks a particle or free surface velocity to infer the pressure in the sample at the time it is probed with x-rays

<u>Shock – Ramp Technique</u> Shock Technique Pressure (GPa) 220 Be 550 СН Pt Diamond LiF 0 Laser drive (TW) X-ray source (TW) 0.10 1.5 1.0 0.10 drive X-ray 1.0 beam source 0.05 0.5 **(TW)** 0.05 X-ray source 0.5 drive beam (TW) 0 Interface velocity (km/s) 6 6 VISAR/SOP VISAR/SOP Pt - Lif Platinum Diamond window 3 interface 3 Ë velocity R 0 0 Ó 10 20 30 0 4 8 12 Time (ns) Time (ns)



EP

* Velocity Interferometer System for Any Reflector

Analysis

The crystal structure and density of the compressed solid platinum is obtained from the x-ray diffraction pattern



- Ambient Pt diffraction from the pinhole provides geometric calibration of the image plates
- Compressed Pt that remains solid produces a shift in the fcc pattern



• Temperature is obtained from the tabular EOS¹ isentrope at the pressures inferred from velocimetry measurements

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fcc: face-centered cubic rhcp: randomly disordered hexagonal close packed 1. S. Crockett, LANL

Shock-ramp Results

We observed face-centered cubic platinum in the region of the Sandia experiment and no evidence of other solid structures



Shock Analysis

A single broad diffraction line, seen among the ambient platinum, is the signature of diffuse scattering from a liquid









 Analysis of the liquid structure can provide density and coordination number of the liquid phase

fcc: face-centered cubic



The data was fit to a series of Gaussian functions to identify liquid scattering*



• Each solid peak can be described as two Gaussians with three free parameters: amplitude, centroid location, and width.

$$I = a_1 e^{-(x-a_2)^2/2a_3^2} + 0.2a_1 e^{-(x-a_2)^2/2(0.5)^2}$$

• A single Gaussian is used to fit the liquid scattering feature



XRD Results

Observation of Pt melt at 500 GPa extend previous Hugoniot measurements at 380 GPa of *fcc* platinum



liquid Pt observed

 $P \approx 500$ GPa was determined with hydrodynamic simulations.

A lower pressure estimate of 420 GPa was obtained using the transit time of elastic and plastic waves at the free surface of the diamond window (McWilliams)

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