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# Laser Impulse Generation Parameter Effects and Applications

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# Laser Impulse Generation

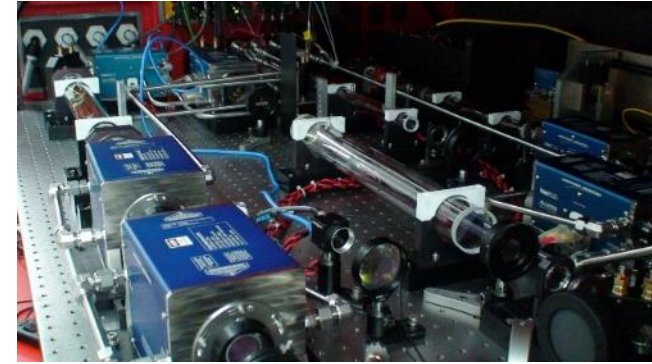
## Harnessing Photons for Mechanical Work



**\$1  
to**

**\$3.5 Billion**

**1 mW  
to  
10 PW**



Laser Application Type	Power Output
Hardening	5kW/cm <sup>2</sup>
Cutting	200 KW/cm <sup>2</sup>
Welding	1 MW/cm <sup>2</sup>
Drilling	100 MW/cm <sup>2</sup>
Impulse Generation	10 GW/cm <sup>2</sup>

### Why Lasers?

Repeatable, controllable, affordable energy manipulation

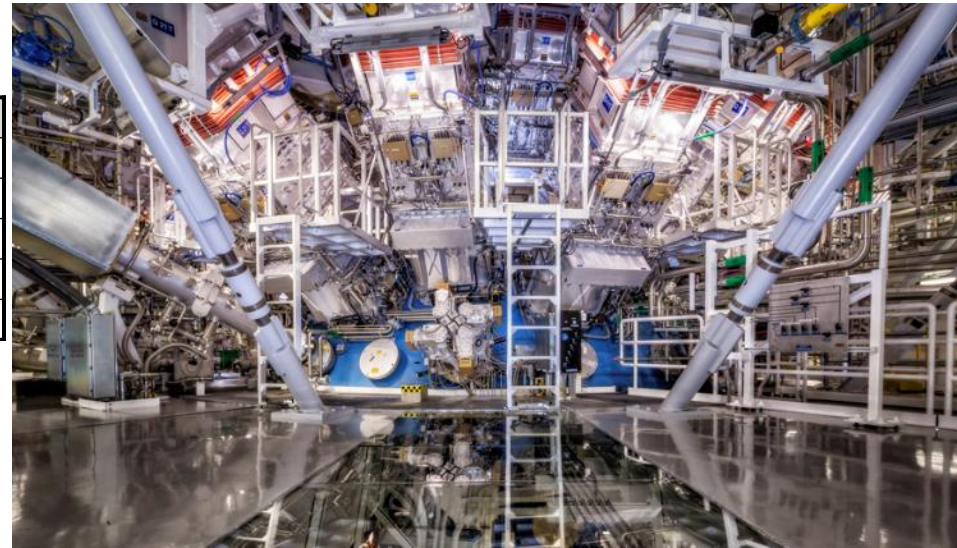


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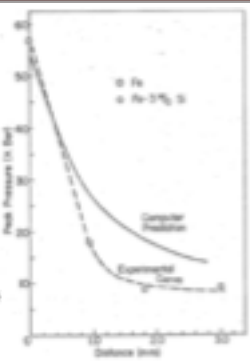
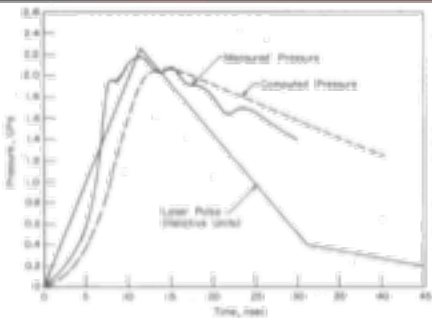
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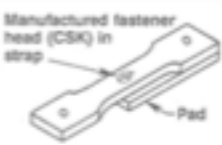
# **High Energy Laser Processes**

# LSP Technologies

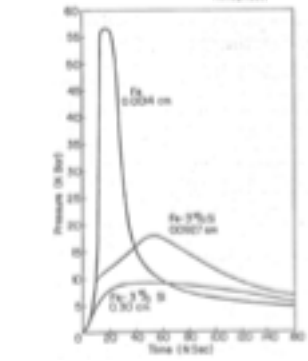
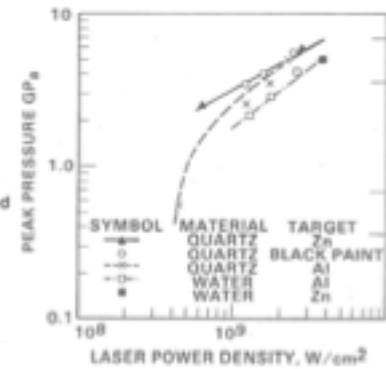
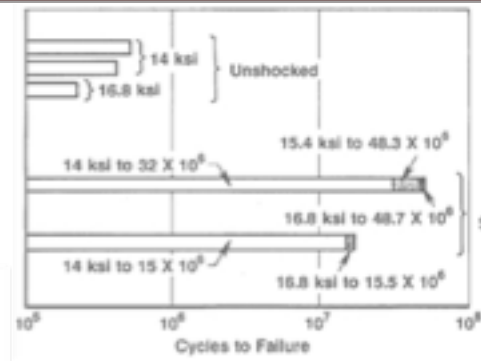
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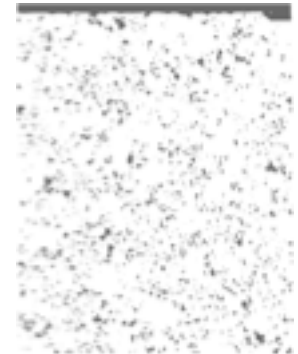
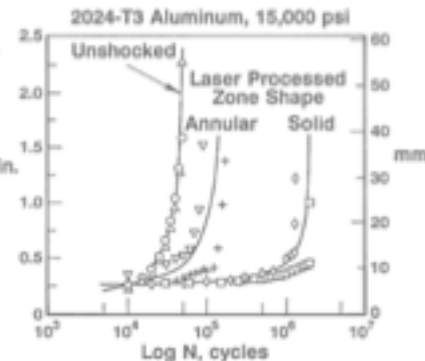
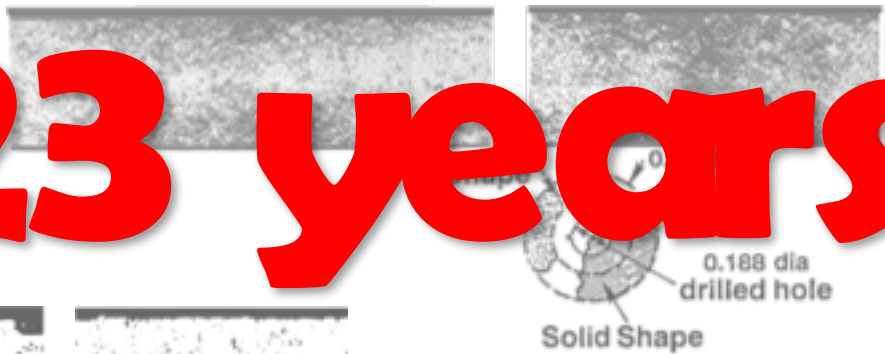
Hi-Lok fastener  
30% load transfer  
Normal interference



Pad and fatigue specimen  
LSP around fastener hole  
5 GW/cm<sup>2</sup>, 20 ns  
3 mm quartz and black paint



# 23 years



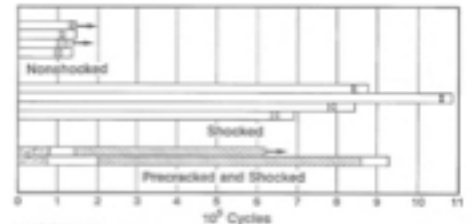
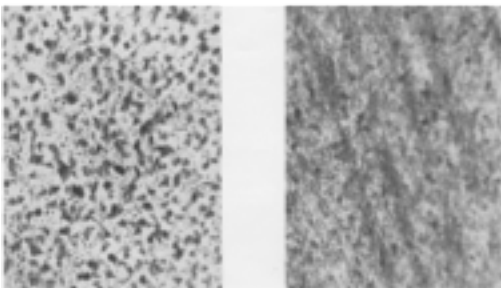
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1 shot, 100J/cm<sup>2</sup>  
3.3 GW/cm<sup>2</sup>



5 shots, 100J/cm<sup>2</sup>  
3.3 GW/cm<sup>2</sup>



A grey silhouette of a world map is centered on the slide. Several red stars are placed on the map to indicate global presence: three in North America (USA and Canada), one in Europe, and one in East Asia (China).

# Basement to Global

# LSP Technologies

## Lessons Learned and Current Approach



KUKA



# Collaborative Partnerships

SCHOTT



sinto



University of CINCINNATI



BOEING

Ohio

Development Services Agency

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Cutting Edge Optronics



Westinghouse

AIRBUS



# Patient Persistent Opportunistic

# Laser Impulse Generation

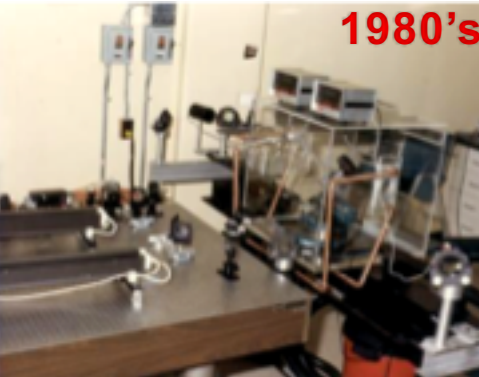
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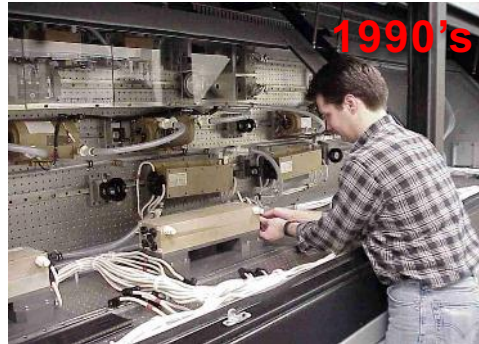
1970's



1980's



1990's



Present Day







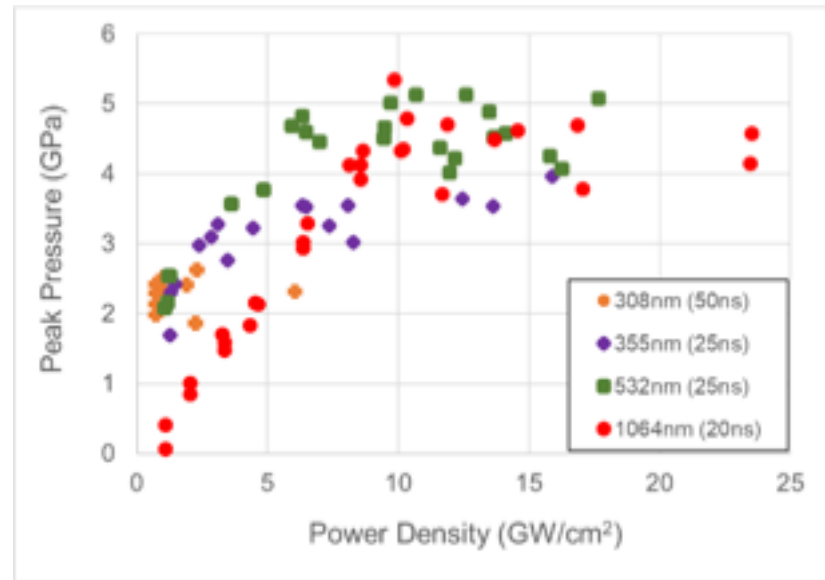
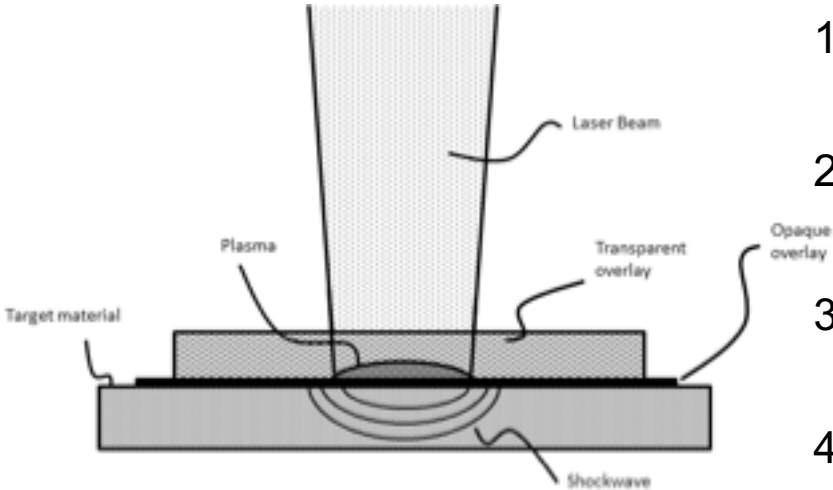
# Laser Impulse Process

# Laser Impulse Generation

## Overview of Confined Ablation



1. Pulsed laser system power in  $\text{GW}/\text{cm}^2$  scale
2. Target ionized by laser pulse, heated to plasma
3. Plasma confinement for increased pressure
4. Shockwaves generated by pressure spike



Data per P. Peyre, SPIE Symposium, 1998

# Magnitude and Duration

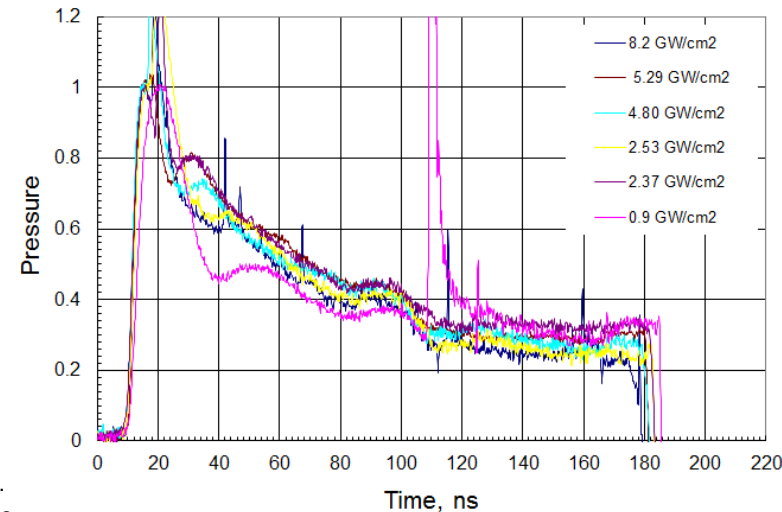
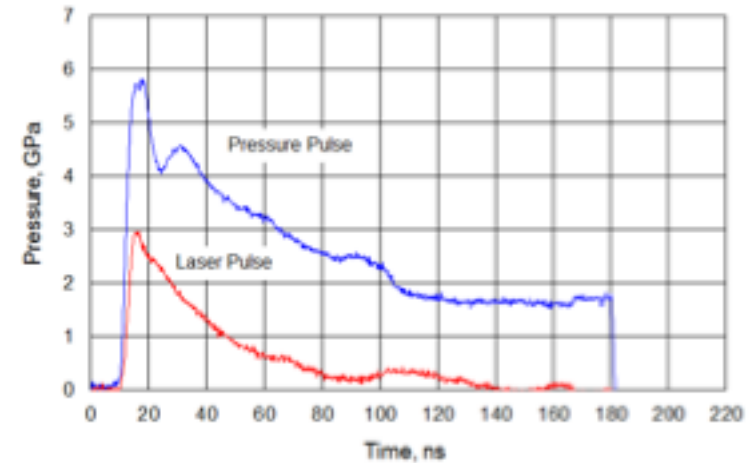
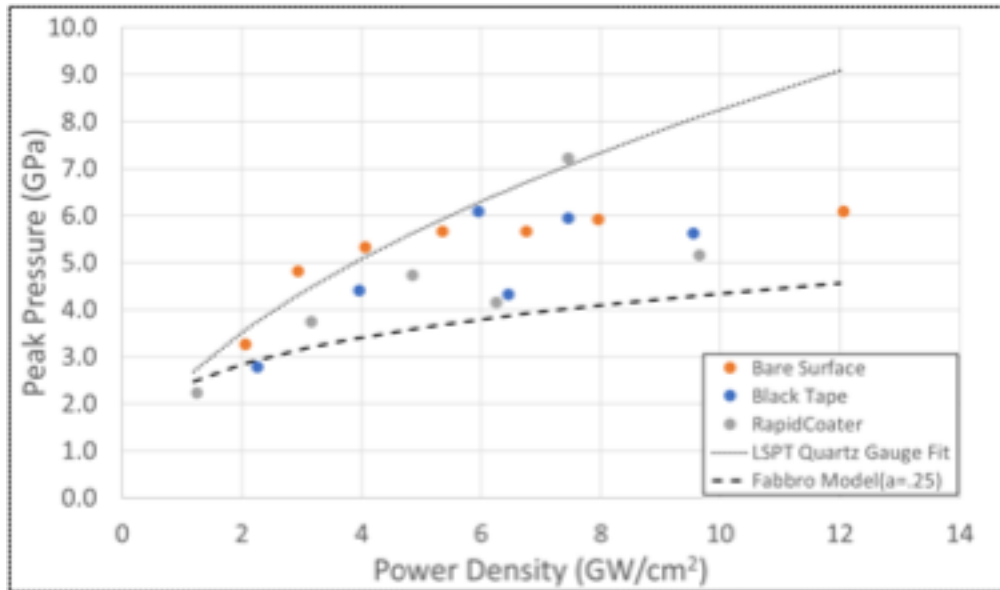
## Laser Impulse Domain



Pressures ~ 10 GPa

Pulse duration ns to us

Areas mm<sup>2</sup> to cm<sup>2</sup>



Peak pressure measurements derived from PDV back-surface analysis of 0.020 inch aluminum. Compared to legacy data from quartz gauge work and Fabbro model. (Some pressure attenuation, expected in PDV)



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# Shoulders



# of

# Giants

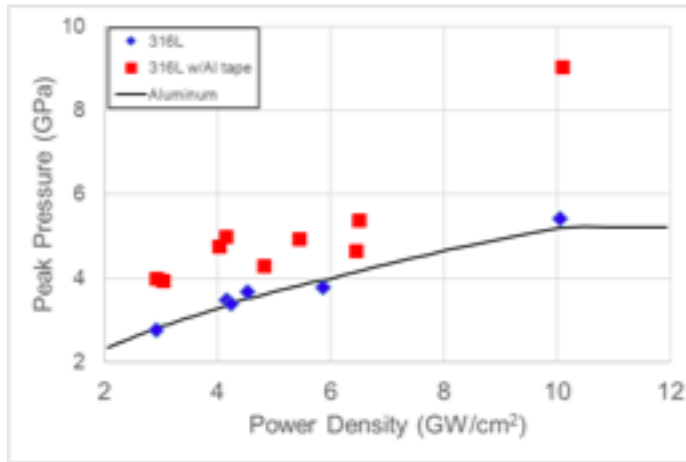
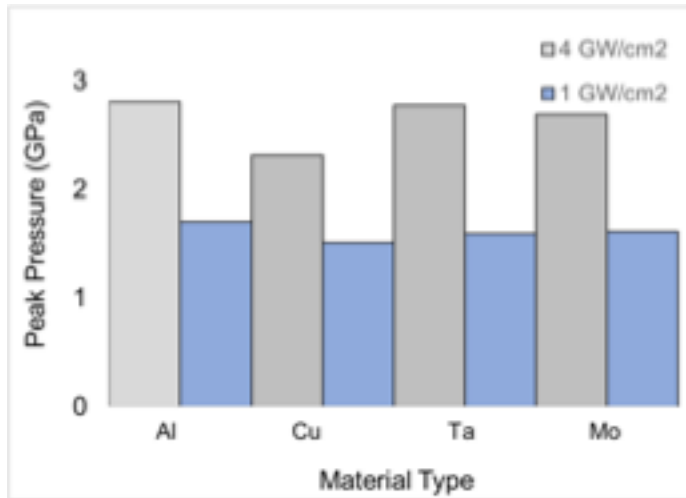
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and Academia

# Influences on Laser Impulse Generation

## Controls and Limits

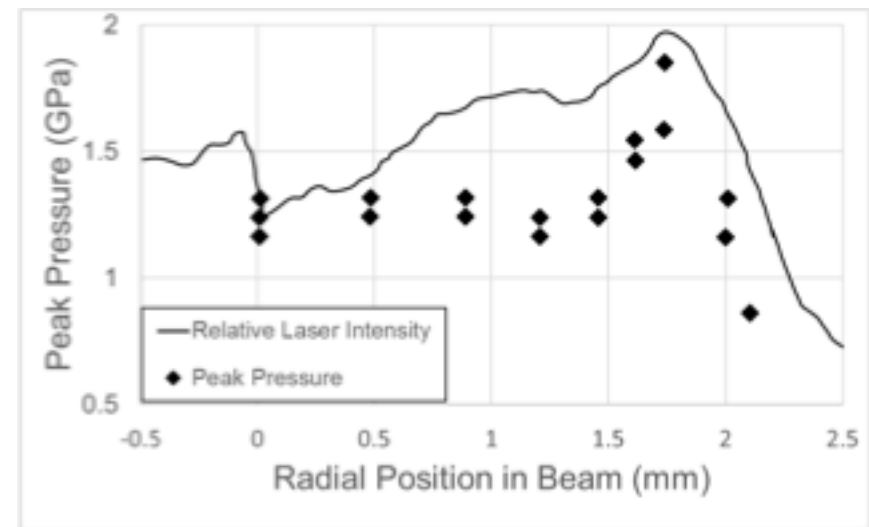
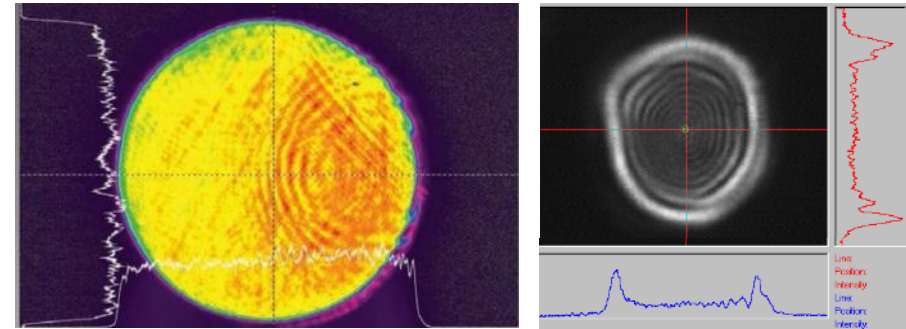


### Target Materials and Pressures



Data per Fabbro, J. Laser Applications, 1998

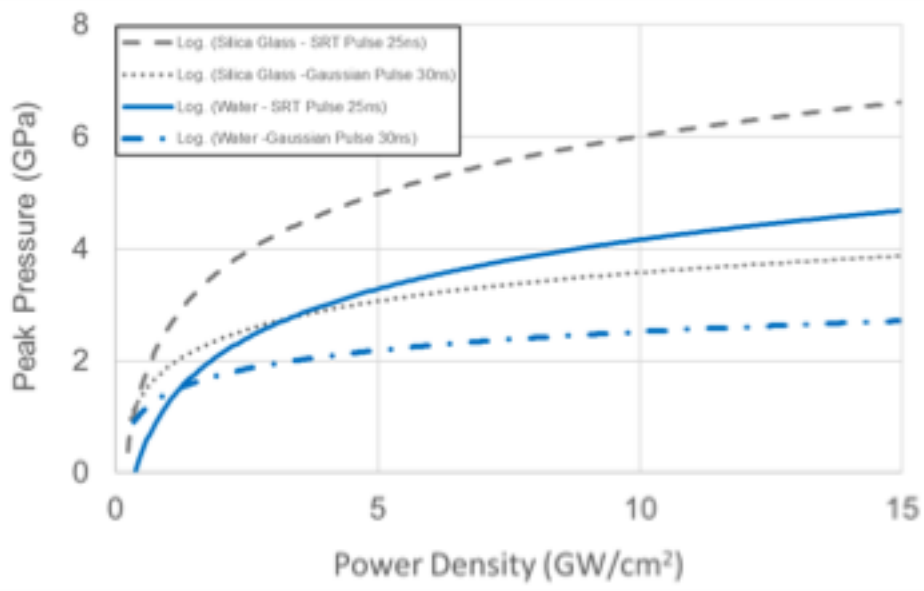
### Spatial Energy vs. Developed Pressure



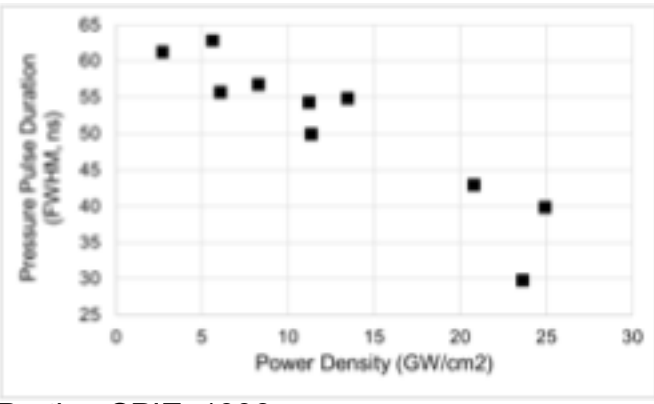
Data per L. Berthe, Dissertation, University of Orsay, 1998

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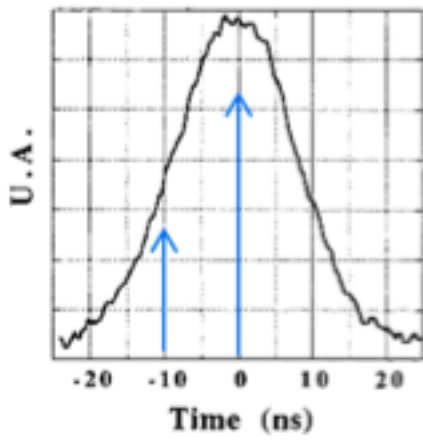
## Confining Overlay and Dielectric Breakdown



Data per Peyre, Optical and Quantum Mechanics, 1994

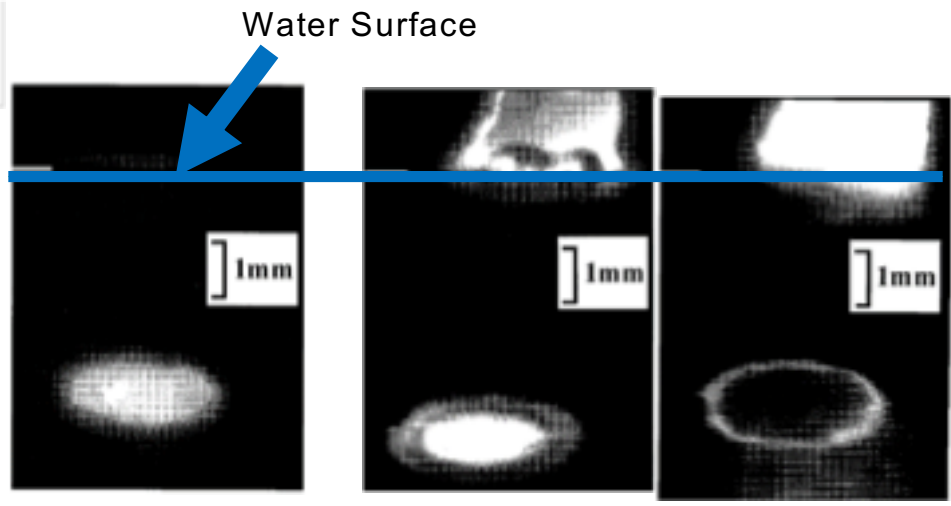


Data per Berthe, SPIE, 1996



DEB depends on:

- Time
- Intensity



1.8 GW/cm<sup>2</sup>, 0 ns      -10 ns      0 ns

From: Berthe, Applied Physics, 1997      28 GW/cm<sup>2</sup>, 0 ns



Laser impulses are scalable

Trade space opportunities for tailoring

Optimization is application specific

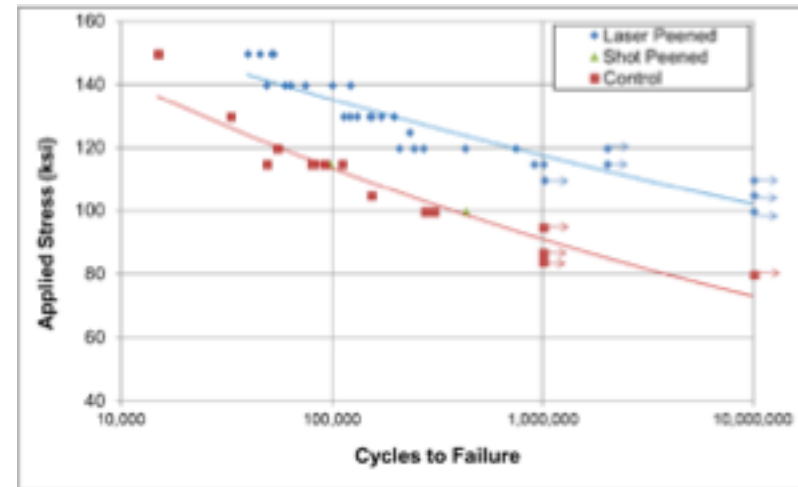
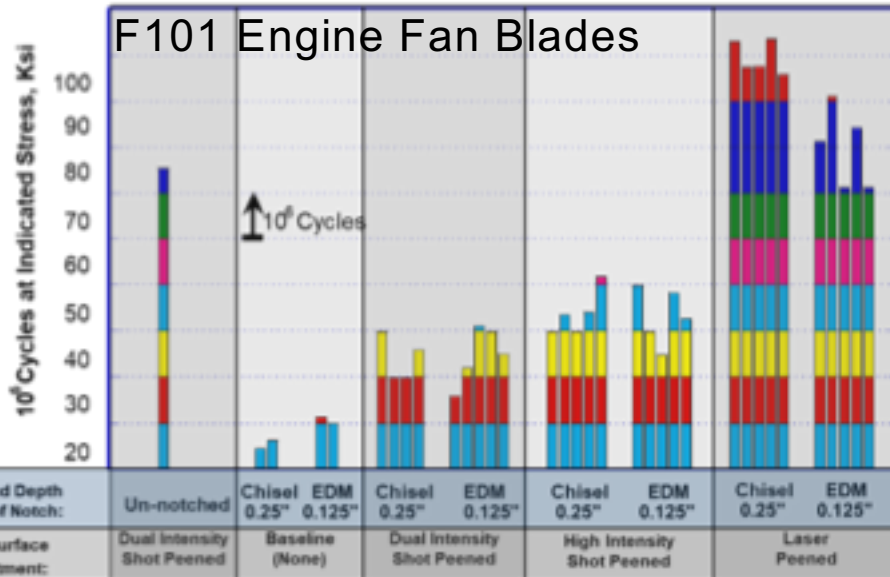
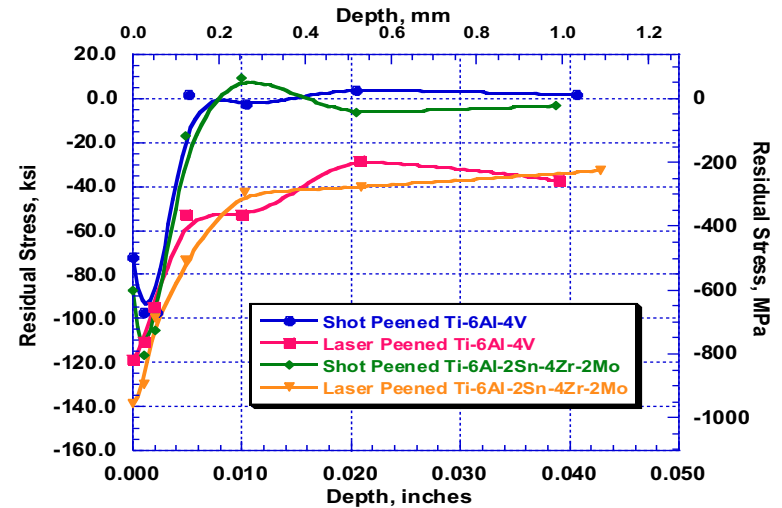
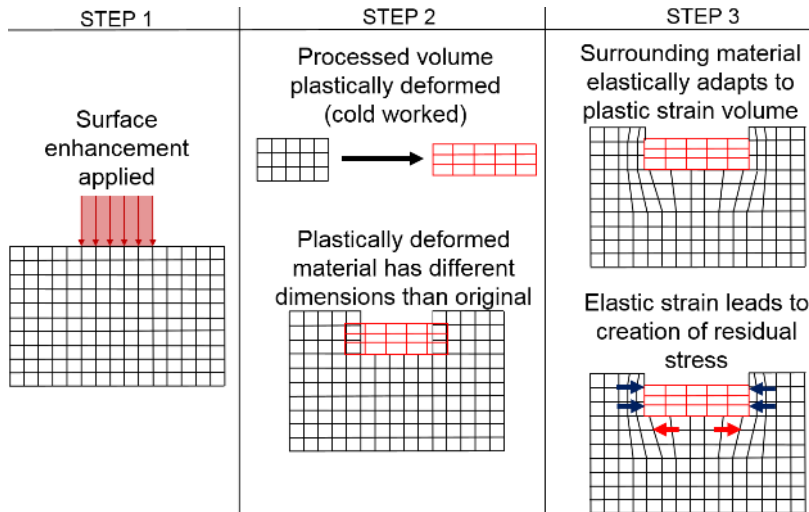


# Commercial Applications



# Commercial Usage of Laser Impulse

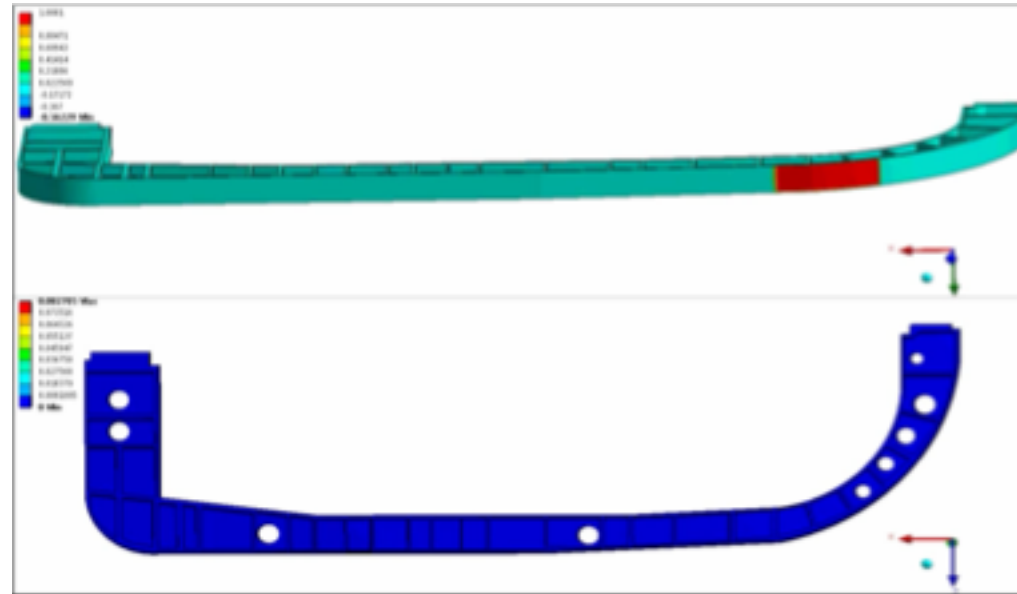
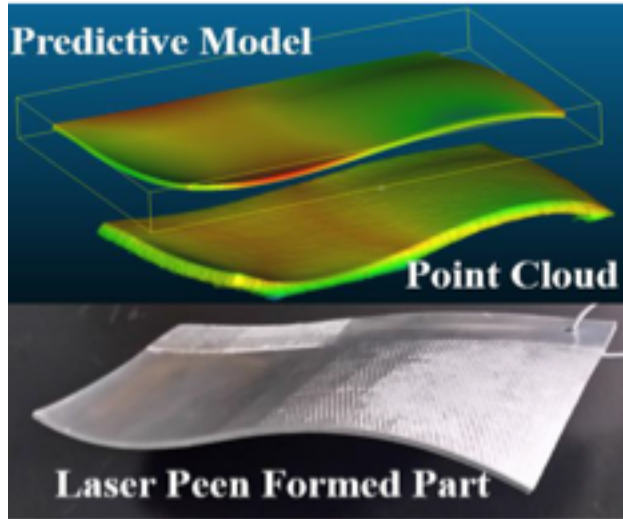
## Laser Peening - Residual Stress & Service life Enhancement



4340 alloy steel bending fatigue

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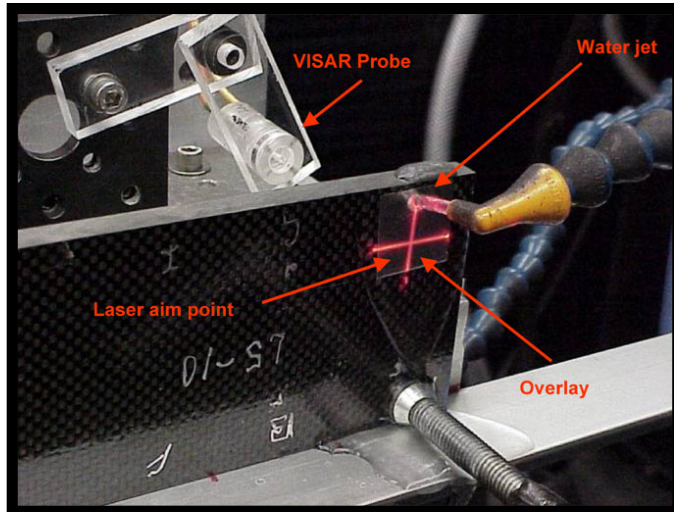
## Laser Peening - Residual Stress : Shape Forming & Correction



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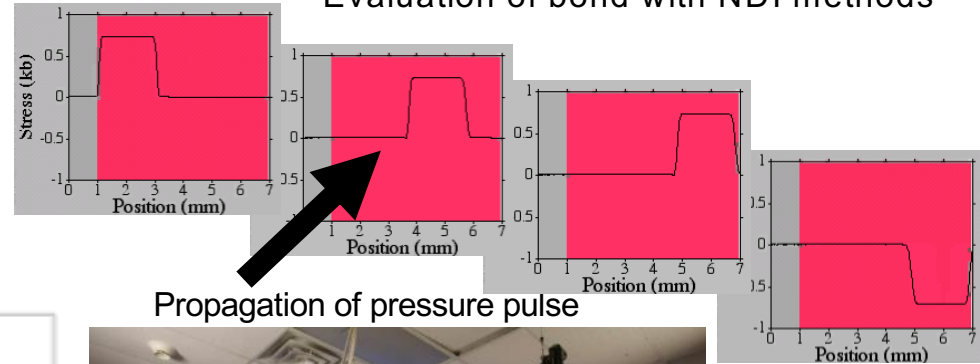


## Laser Bond Inspection - Stress Wave : Bond Integrity Test

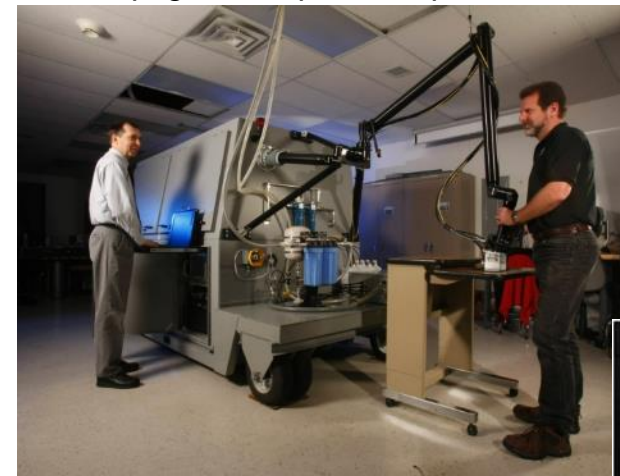
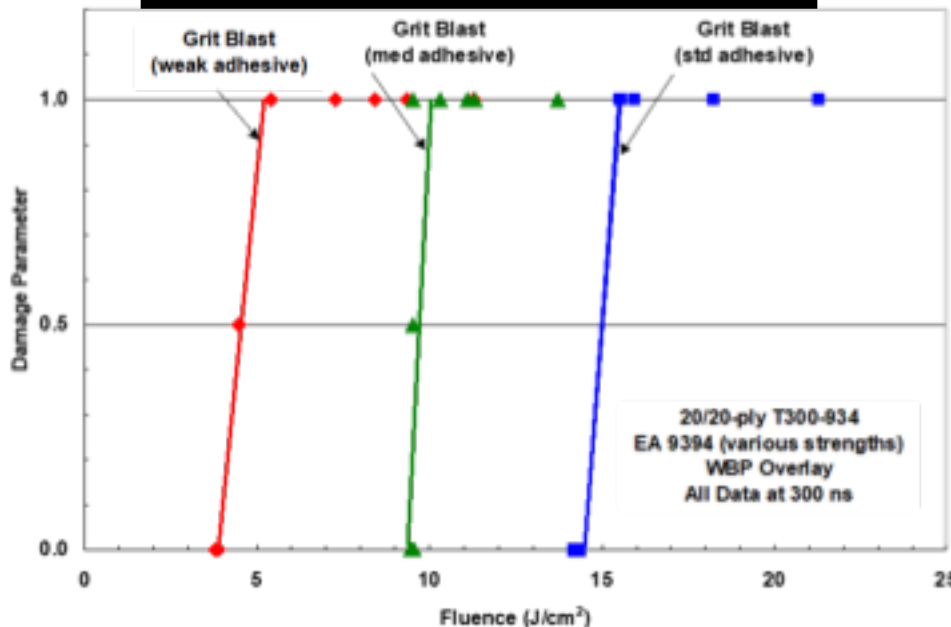


### Inspection Process

- Generation of pressure pulse
- Propagation of pulse
- Evaluation of bond with NDI methods



Propagation of pressure pulse



Data per Bossi, J. Materials Evaluation, 2009





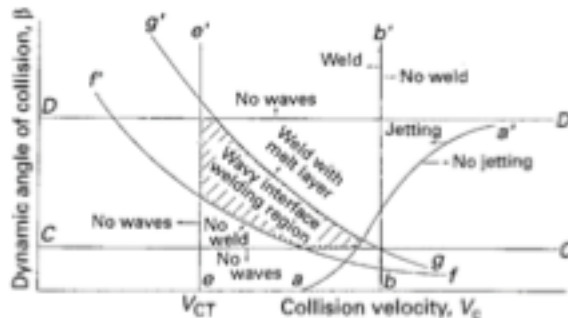
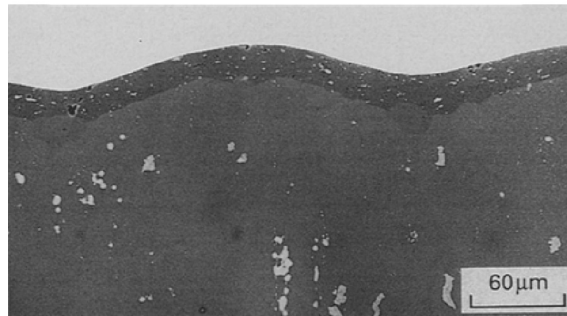
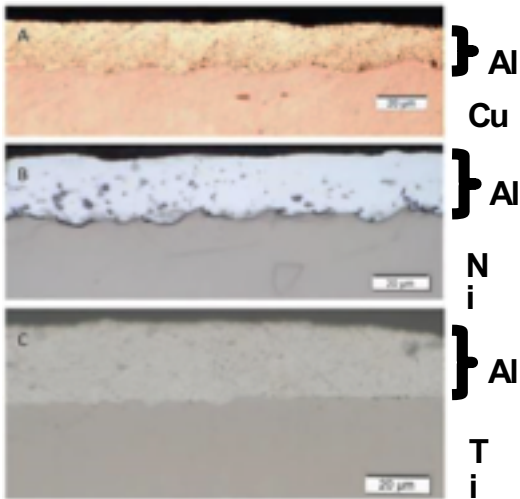
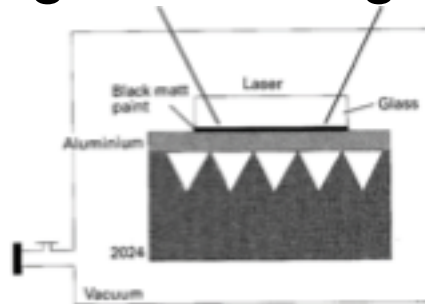
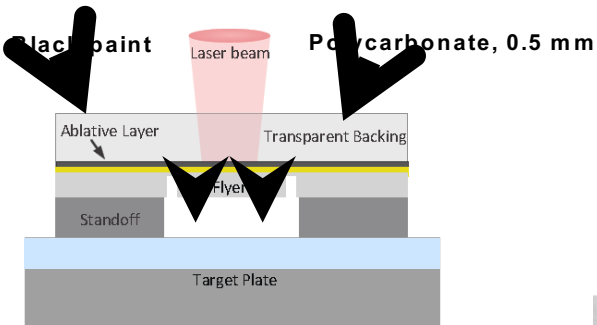
# Developing Applications

# Developing Uses of Laser Impulse

## Joining Applications

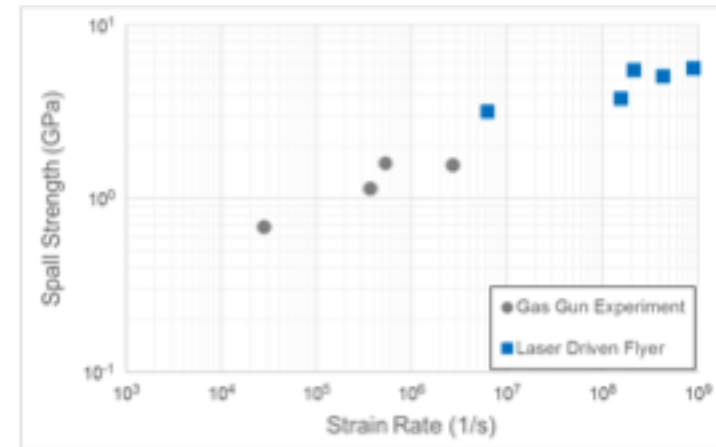


### Laser Impact Welding & Cladding

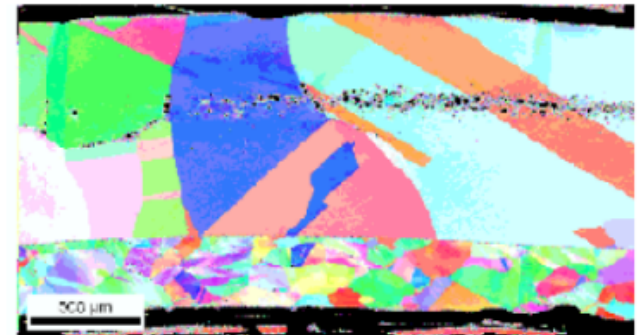


From: Dubrujeaud, Jo Mat Sci Letters, 1994

### Laser Driven Flyers



Copper spall strength based on strain rate



From Luo, SPIE Conf, 2008

Images per D. Liu, Welding J, 2013

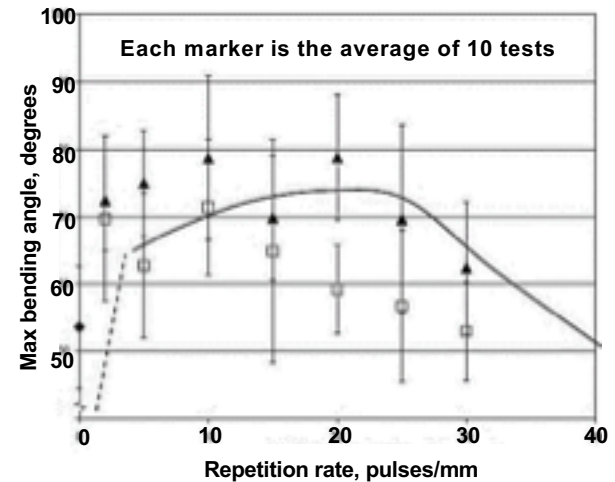
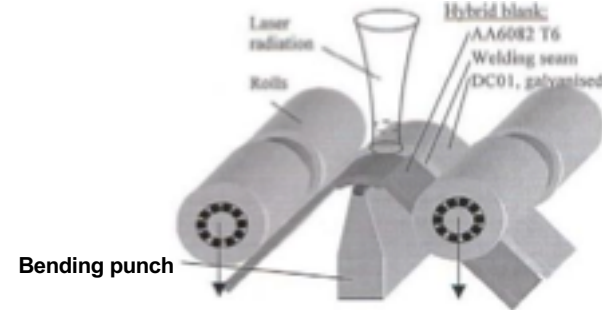
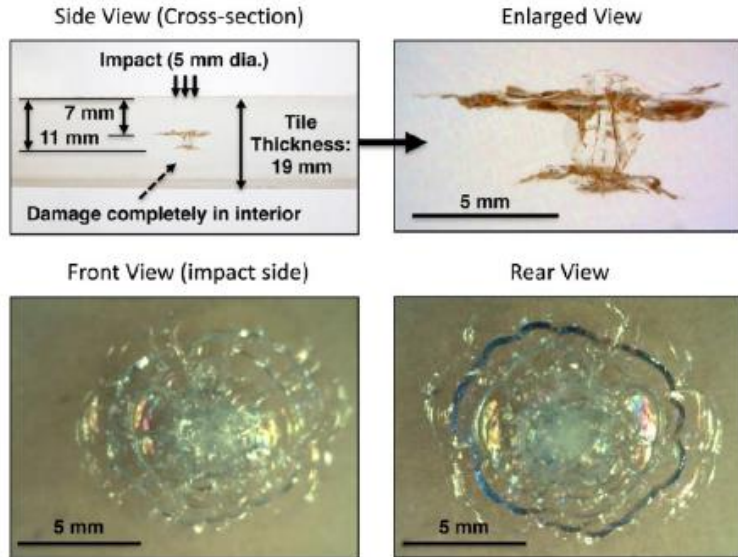
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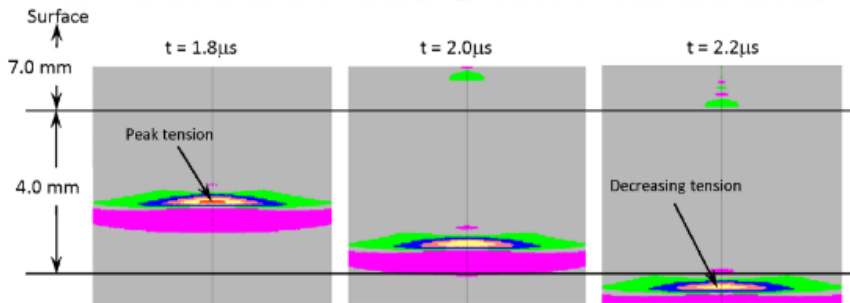


### Strength Testing

### Incorporate LSP with Other Processes



- ◆ Test without laser peening
- Test with laser peening, no water overlay
- ▲ Test with laser peening, water overlay



From Holmquist, Intl. Jo App Glass Science, 2014

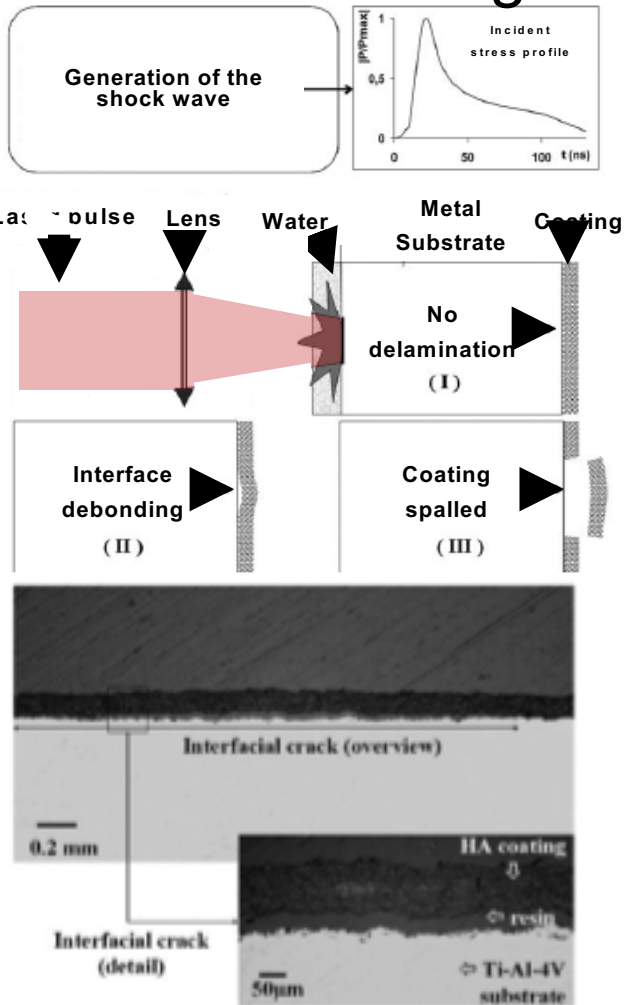
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# Developing Uses of Laser Impulse

## Lab-scale Applications

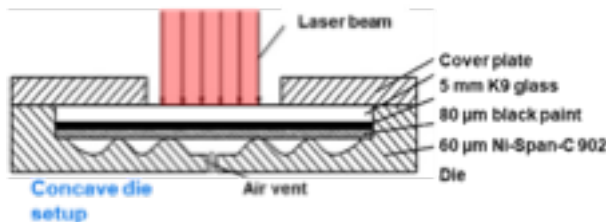


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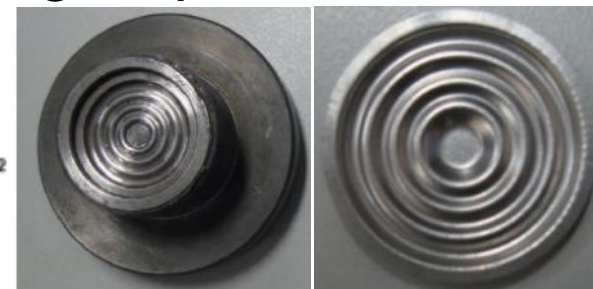


From: Guipont, Biomed Res A, 2010

### Direct Forming Capabilities

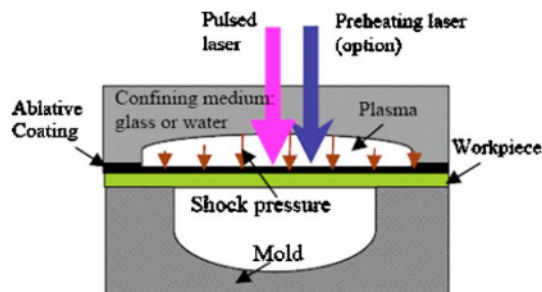


From: Jiang, Optics and Laser Tech, 2013

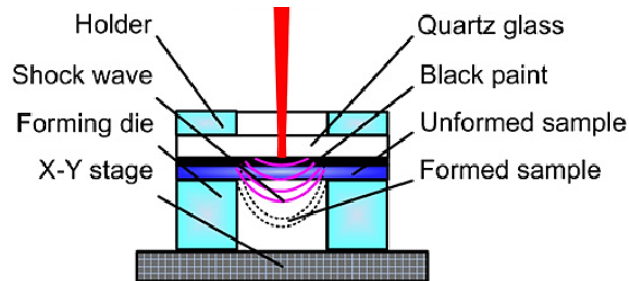


Forming die

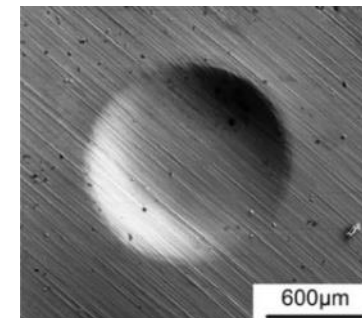
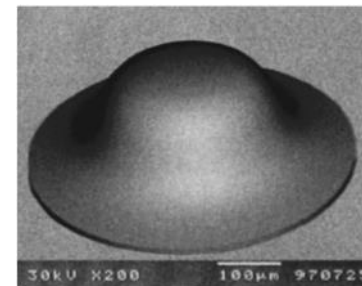
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From: Cheng et al., J Applied Physics, 2007



From: Zheng, Int J Mach Tools & Manuf, 2010

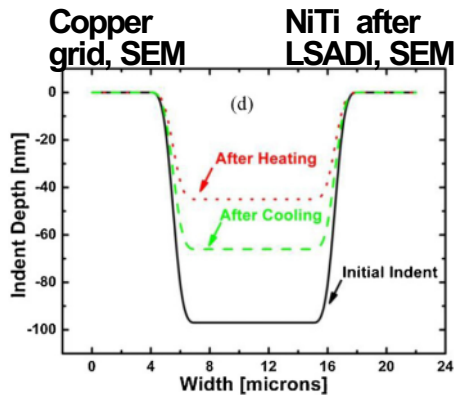
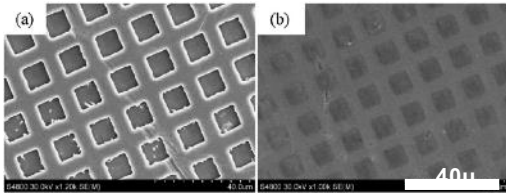
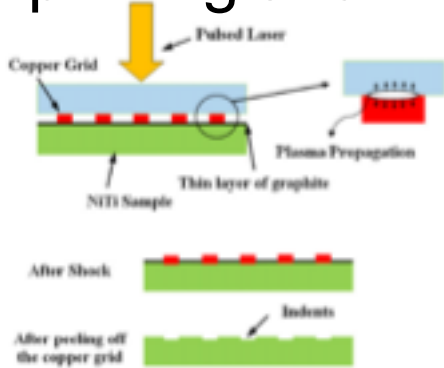


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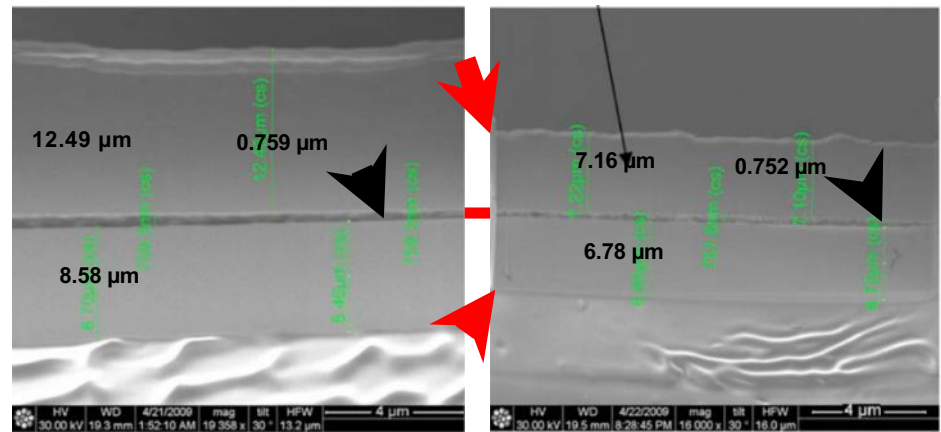
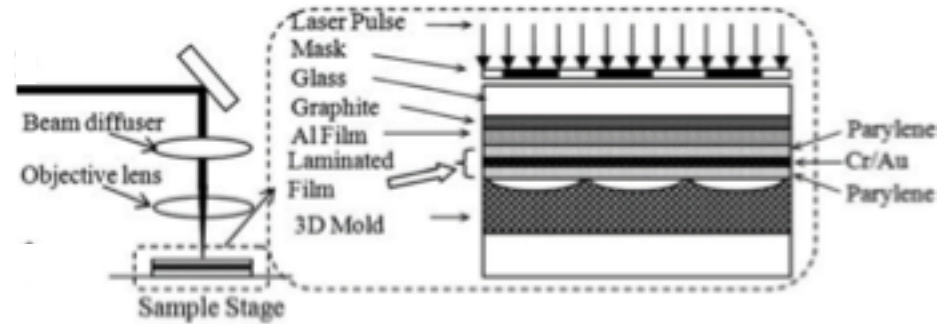


### Imprinting and Marking



From: Ye, Appl Surf Sci, 2012

### Contouring of Films



3D focused ion beam tomography layer thicknesses before and after laser shock forming at  $0.25 \text{ GW/cm}^2$

From: Yu, Applied Physics Letters, 2009





Laser impulses are versatile

Research and development is plentiful

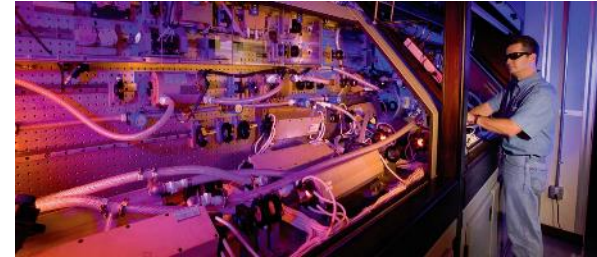


# Opportunities and Challenges in Laser Impulse Generation



## High energy density research facilities/equipment

Accessibility beyond Omega, NIF, Vulcan, Trident, etc.



## Enhanced understanding of laser – plasma – stress wave interactions

(2015 Review of the Inertial Confinement Fusion and High Energy Density Science Portfolio: Volume I – May 2016)

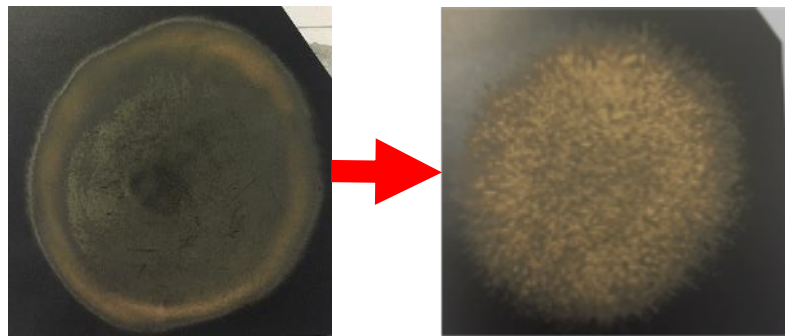
“The codes and models themselves are not capturing the necessary physics to make such predictions with confidence....

There are areas of physics that are not well understood or not properly captured in models, codes, and current simulation approaches.”

## Simplified laser beam shaping and delivery tools

Minimize energy losses

Tailor temporal and spatial for application optimization

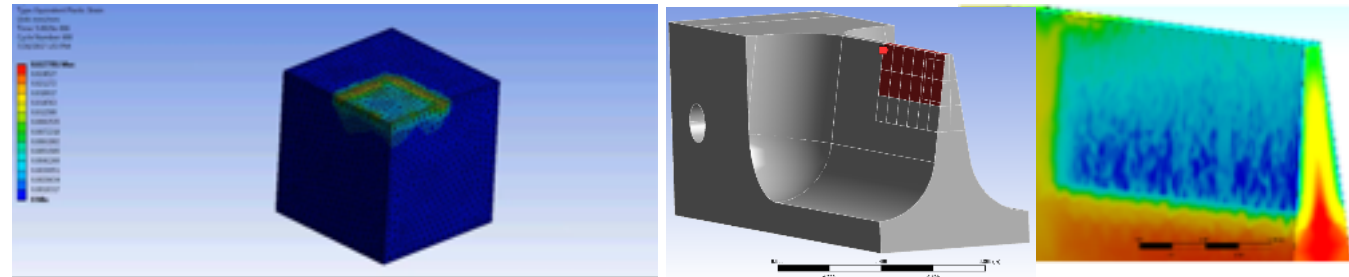




### Further understanding of high-strain rate plasticity mechanisms

### Unified modeling approaches

- Multi-scale validation, availability



### Optimized process parameters for specific applications

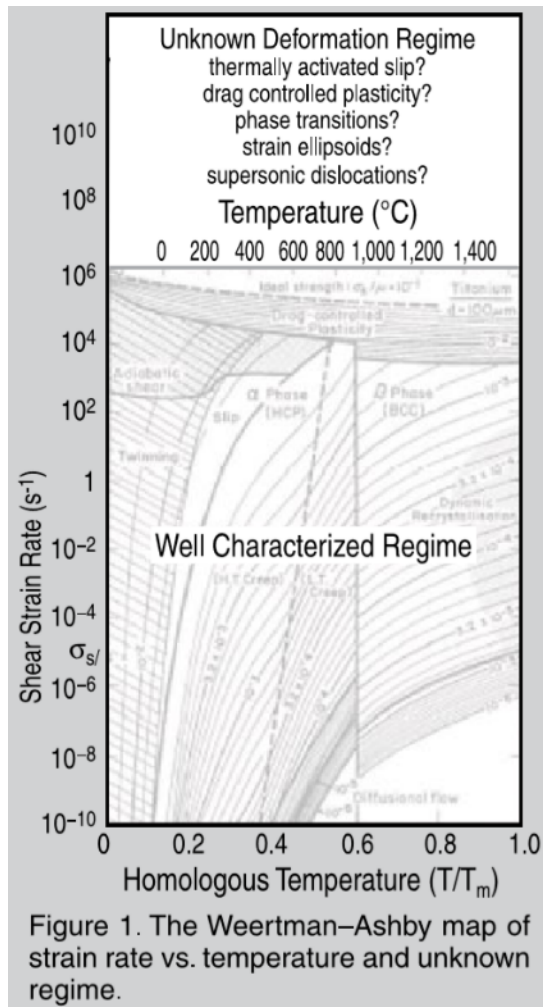


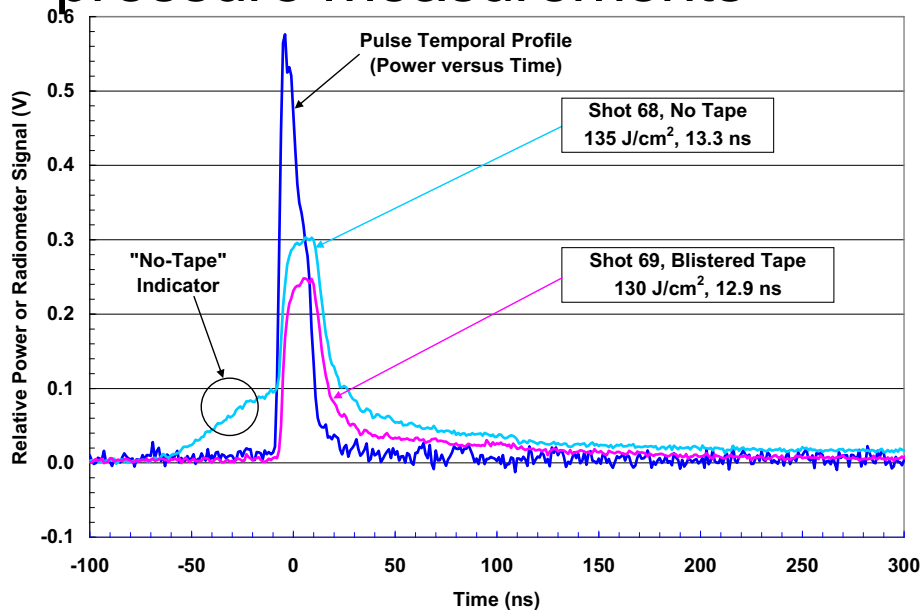
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From: Meyers, JOM, 2010

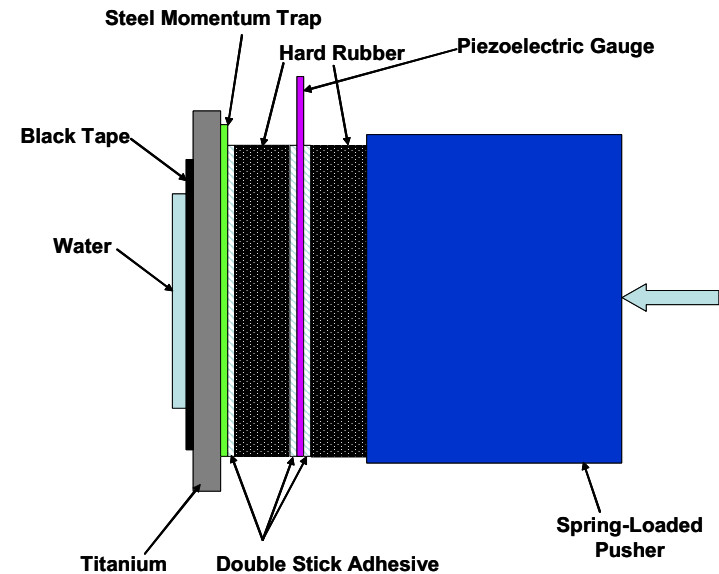


# Non-destructive quality measurements for process and materials

- Ensure process completeness
- Standardize laser – process performance with more direct pressure measurements



Comparison of radiometer records with and without tape  
Data Developed with USAF Funding





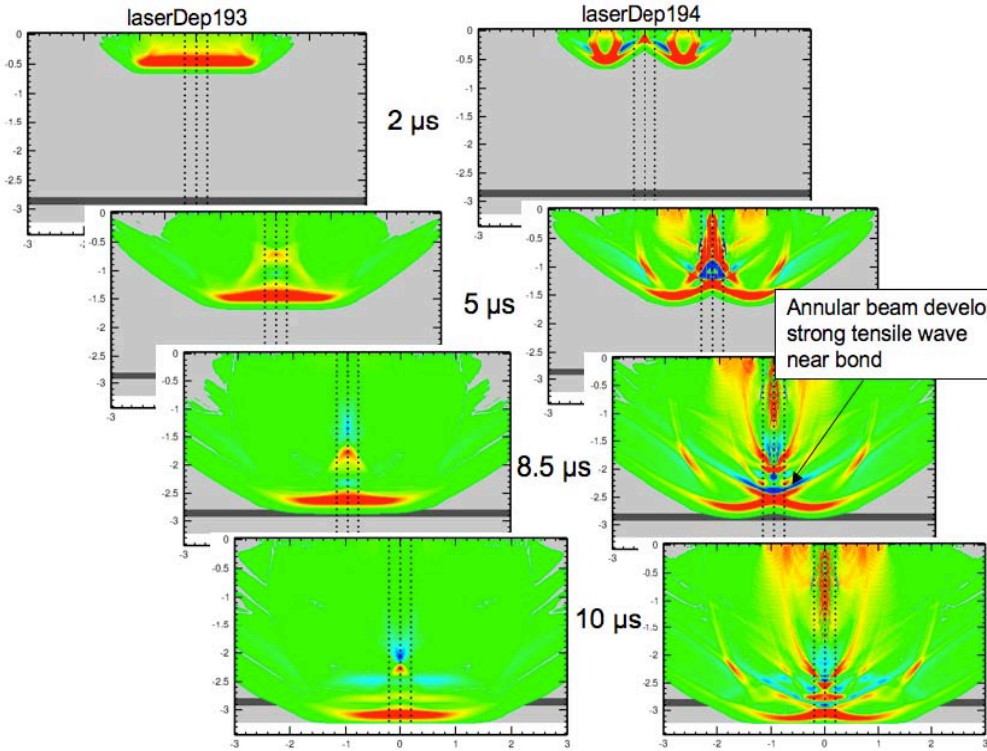
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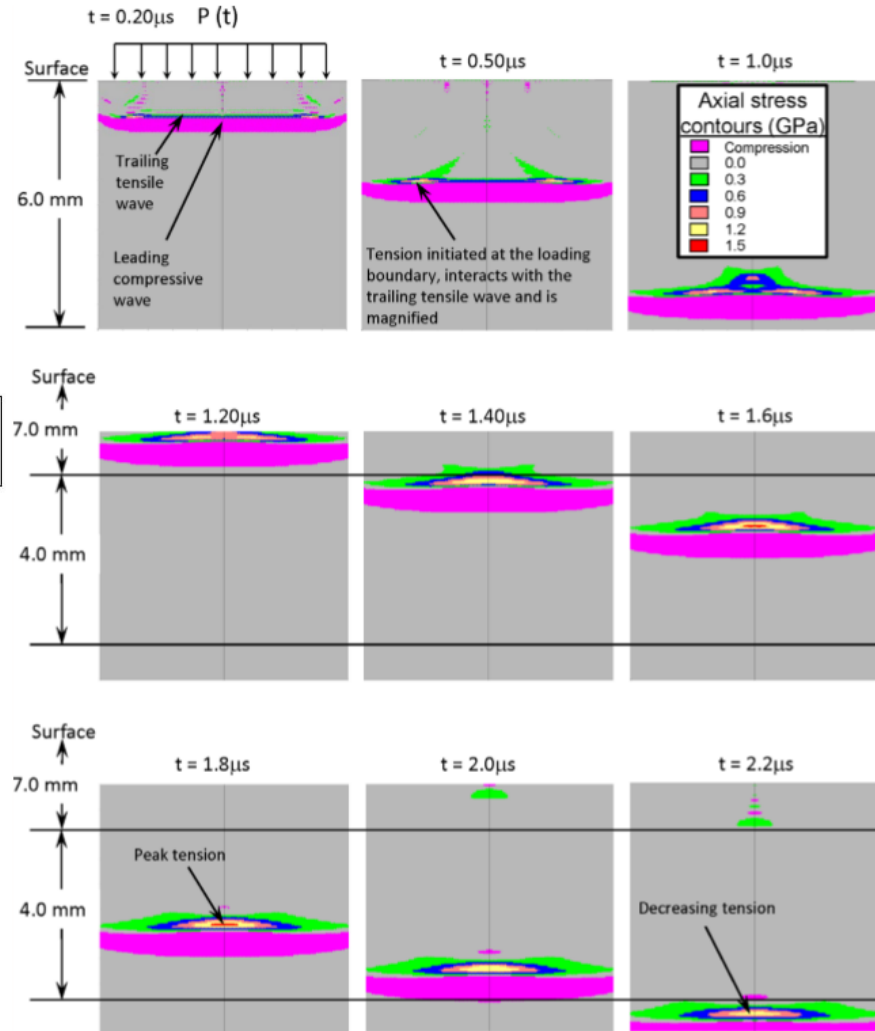
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# Laser Driven Shockwaves

## Models of Shock Process



CTH Hydrocode



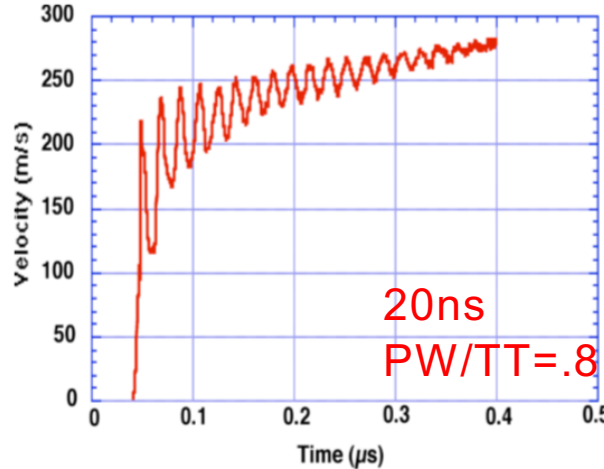
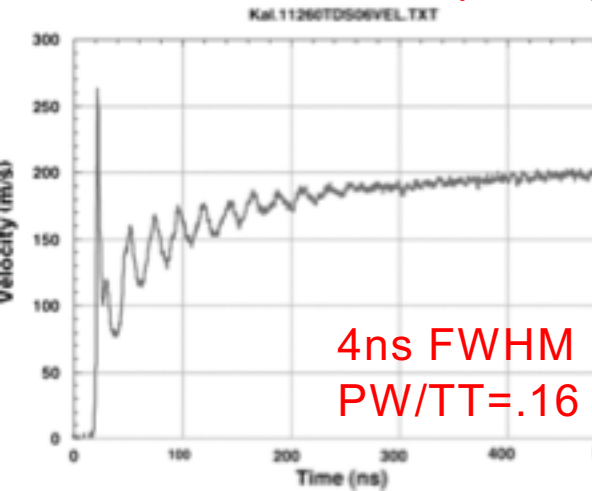
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EPIC Hydrocode

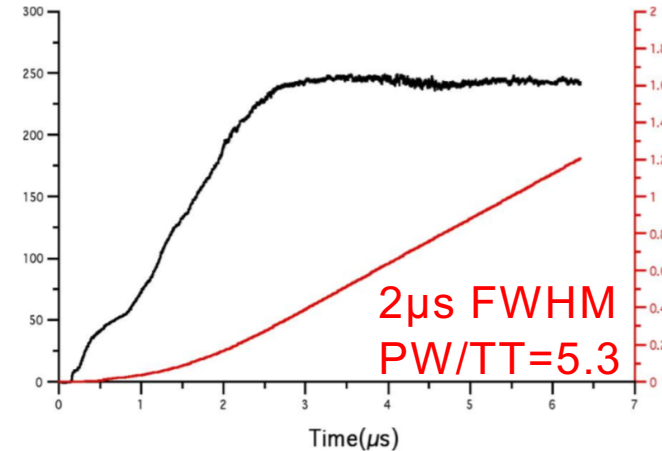
# Laser Flyer / Welding & Cladding Optimization Potentials



50  $\mu\text{m}$  copper flyer



2mm copper flyer



From: Paisley, Proc. of SPIE, 2006

## Research shows for optimization:

1. Uniform acceleration when  $\text{FWHM} > 1\text{-}5\text{x}$  roundtrip travel time of shock in flyer
2. Thicker materials (0.25mm – 2mm) require lasers with  $>30\text{J}$  and 100ns FWHM pulse
3. Coatings can enhance performance



# Laser Impact Welding Overview



## Cladding demonstrated - 1994

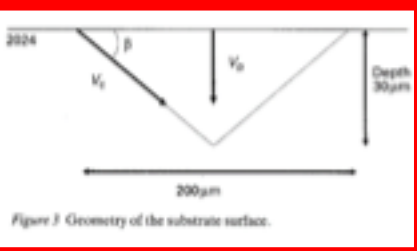
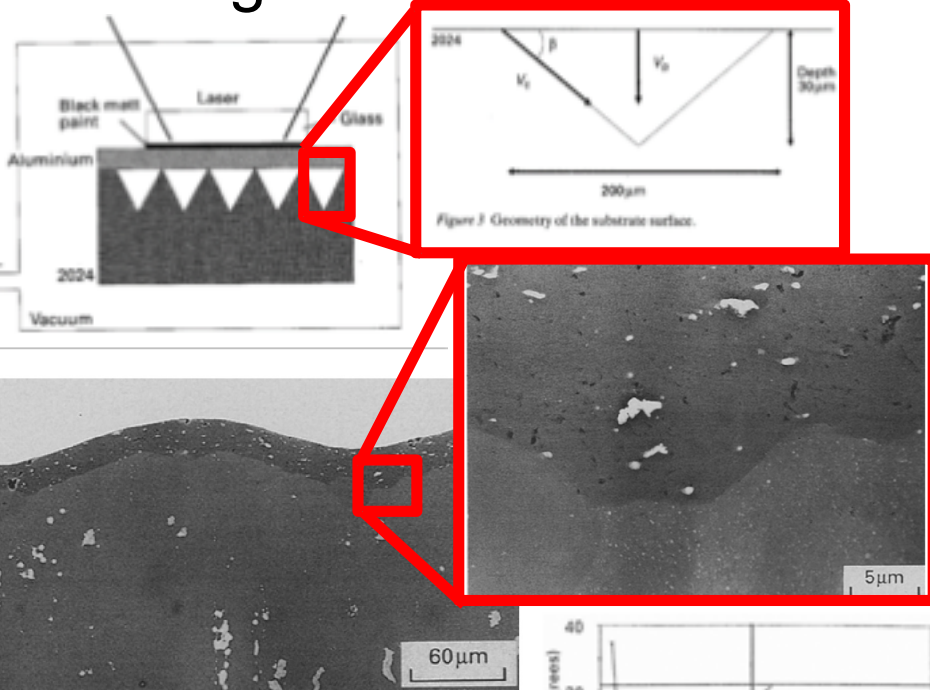
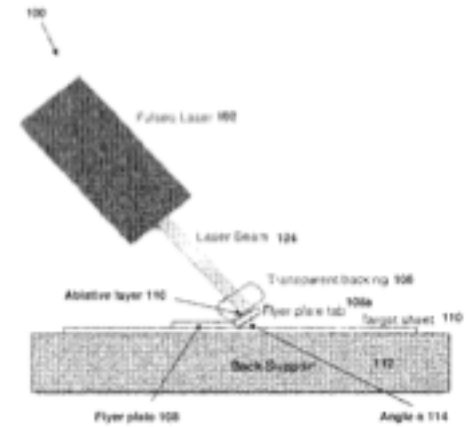
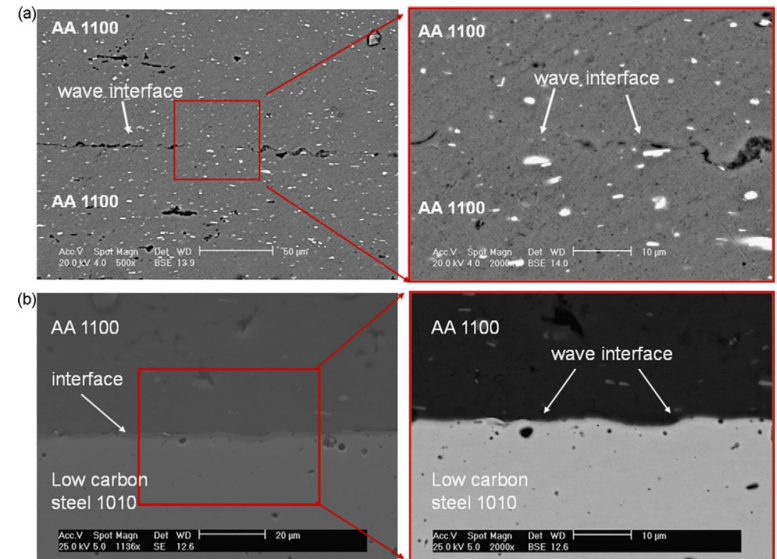


Figure 3 Geometry of the substrate surface.

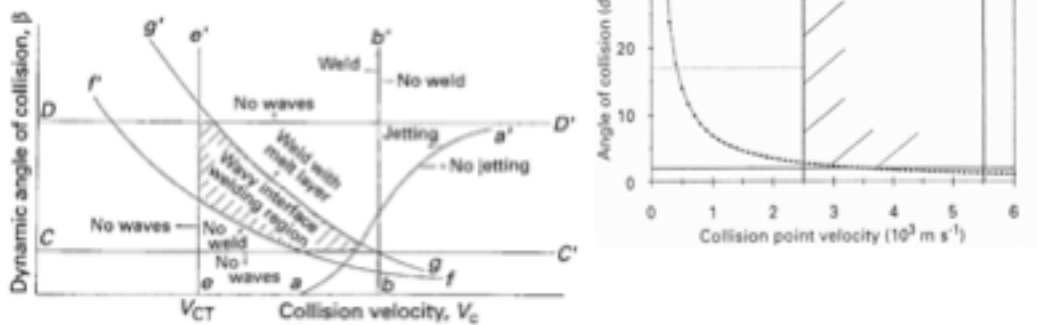
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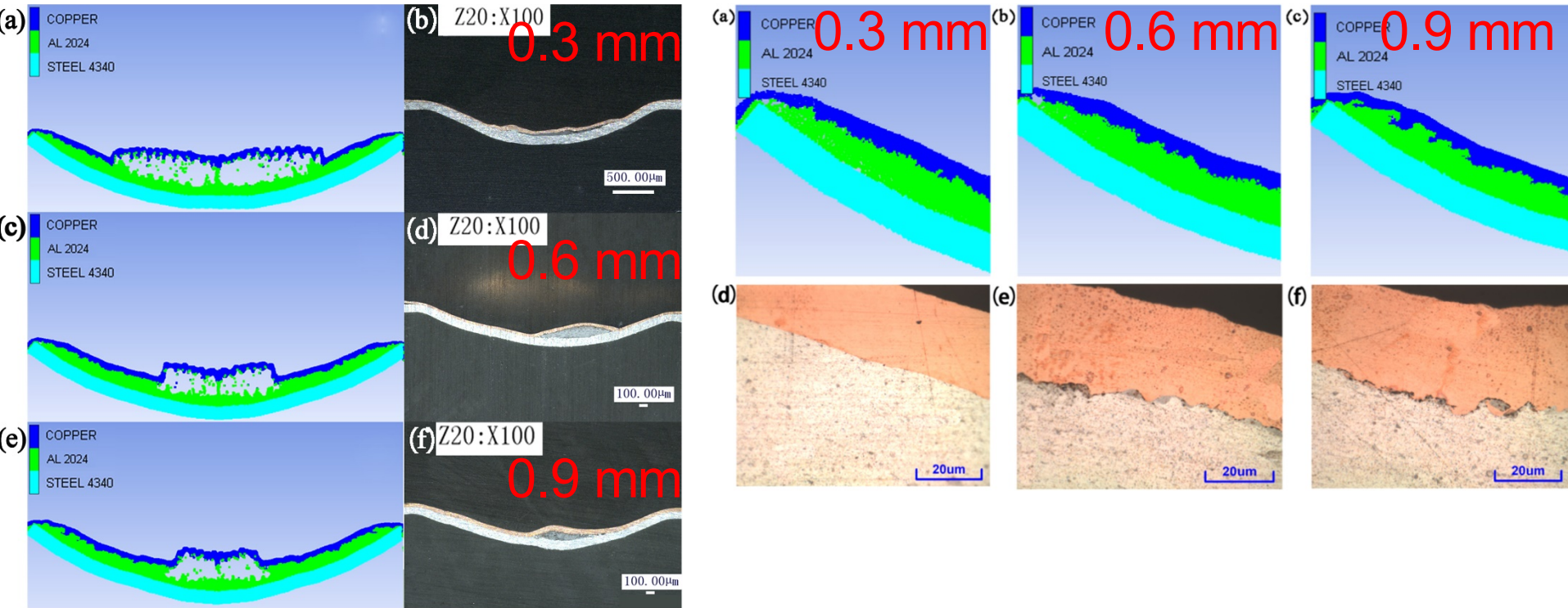
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## Impact of standoff distance



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