

# THERMODYNAMIC PROPERTIES OF WARM DENSE MATTER

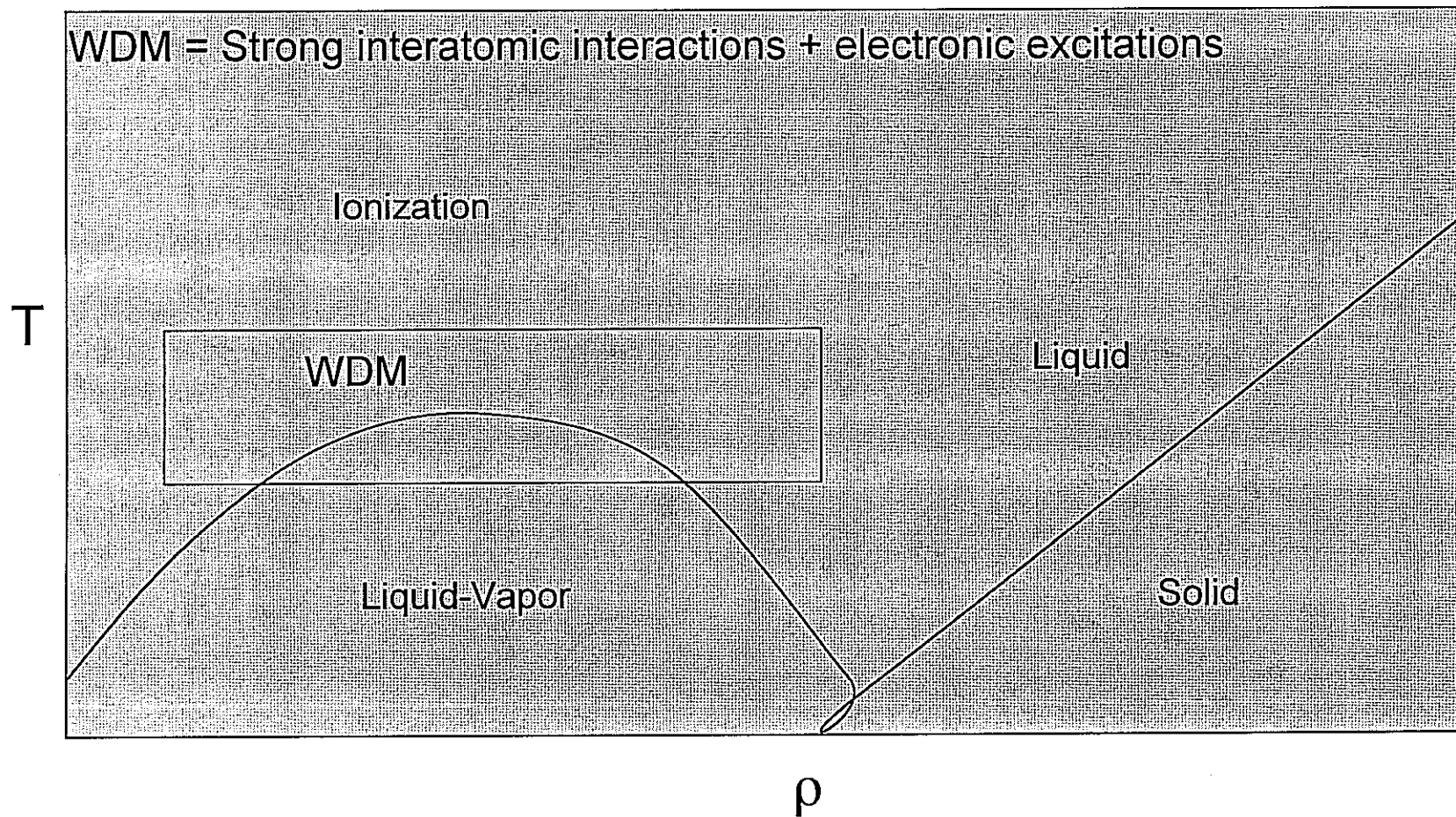
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# WHAT IS “WARM DENSE MATTER”?

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# WHY ARE WE INTERESTED?

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- At LLNL, we build GLOBAL Equation of State tables and we need to cover the WDM region
- There is a steadily rising demand for more accurate EOS tables
- New experiments drive new theory
- Applications:
  - ablation physics
  - shocked gases and foams
  - releases from strong shocks

# WDM EXPERIMENTS ARE CHALLENGING

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The problem:

- 1) deliver enough energy to produce a WDM state
- 2) make accurate measurements on this state

Conventional explosives and gas guns are just barely able to enter the WDM regime

New methods to produce higher energy densities are needed for WDM research

# WDM THEORY IS CHALLENGING

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## Plasma model

$T = \infty$  basis

excitation, ionization, Coulomb  
coupling, mixing

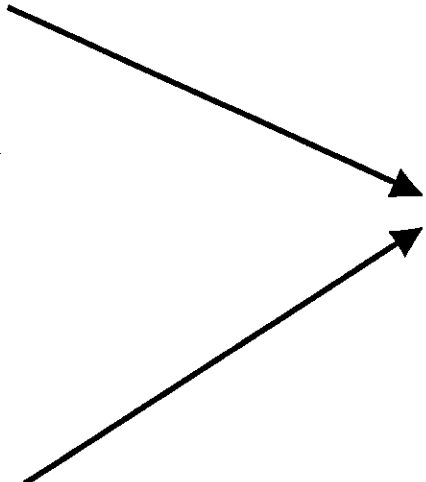
LLNL model: ACTEX

## Solid-State model

$T = 0$  basis

Fermi gas, cold curve, lattice  
dynamics, dense fluids

LLNL model: XEOS



WDM

Neither basis  
is adequate

## WDM EXPERIMENTAL DATA

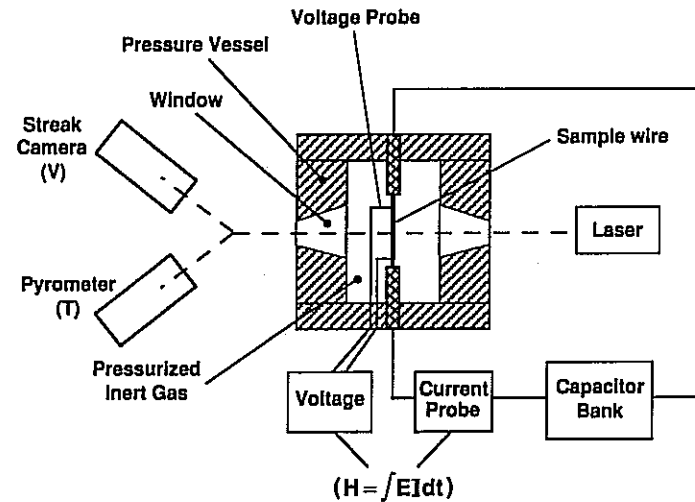
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- Isobaric expansion data
- Isochore data
- Gas Shock data
- Porous Shock Hugoniot
- Porous Shock Hugoniot release

# ISOBARIC EXPANSION EXPERIMENTS SOFT-SPHERE THEORY

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## IEX Experiment



## Soft-Sphere liquid model

$$\phi(r) = \varepsilon(\sigma/r)^n$$

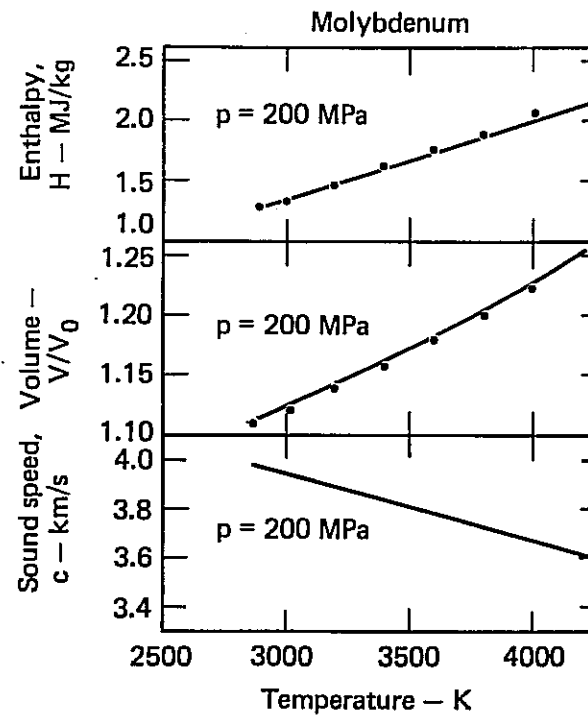
$$E(\rho, T) = NkT \left[ \frac{3}{2} + C_n \rho^{n/3} (\varepsilon/kT)^{1/3} \right. \\ \left. + (1/6)Q(n+4) \rho^{n/9} (\varepsilon/kT)^{1/3} - \rho^m (\varepsilon/kT) \right]$$

# ISOBARIC EXPANSION EXPERIMENTS SOFT-SPHERE THEORY FITS

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## Molybdenum

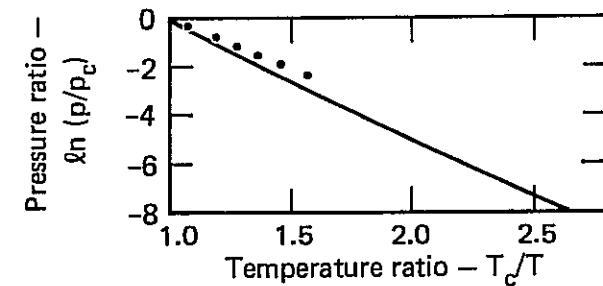
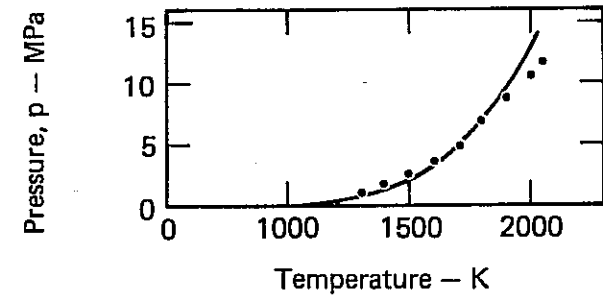
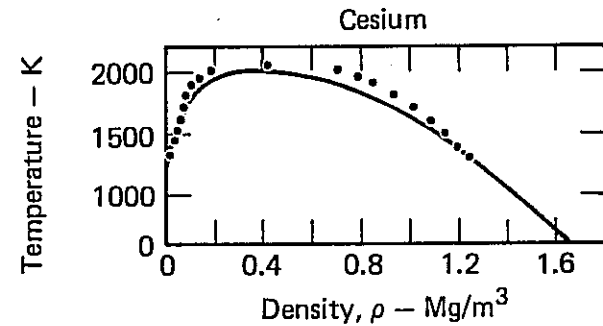
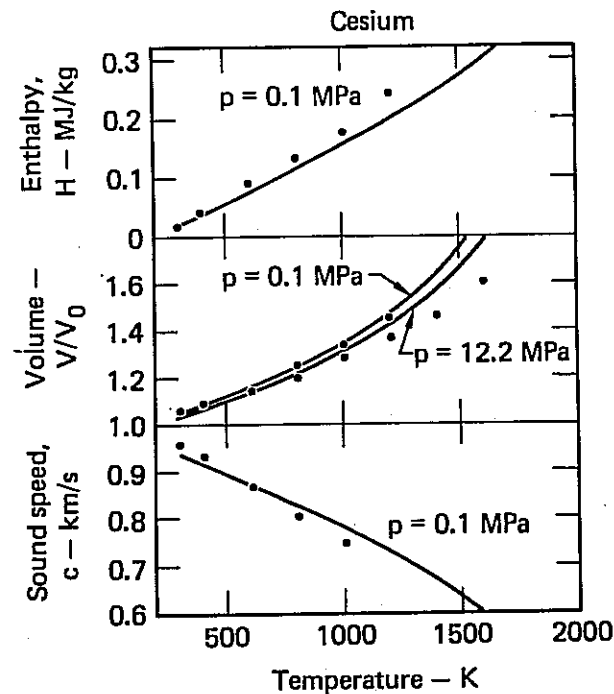
IEX Experiment  
From Livermore  
(1977)



# ISOBARIC EXPANSION EXPERIMENTS SOFT-SPHERE THEORY FITS

Cesium

Isobars and  
Coexistence  
Curves



## SOFT-SPHERE THEORY PREDICTIONS OF CRITICAL POINTS

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We can estimate critical points from the soft-sphere model

|    | $T_c(\text{expt})$ K | $T_c(\text{SS})$ K | $P_c(\text{expt})$ kb | $P_c(\text{SS})$ kb |
|----|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Cs | 2048                 | 2018               | 0.116                 | 0.136               |
| Hg | 1740                 | 2074               | 1.41                  | 1.78                |
| Pb | (5300)               | 5158               | (1.70)                | 2.26                |
| Mo | (13300)              | 8002               | (9.6)                 | 9.70                |
| Ta |                      | 9284               |                       | 9.99                |
| U  |                      | 6618               |                       | 4.16                |
|    |                      |                    |                       |                     |

## GLOBAL EOS MODELS

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Global EOS model represents solid, fluid, and plasma states

Approximate decomposition into cold, ion thermal, and electron thermal pieces:

$$E_{\text{tot}}(\rho, T) = E_c(\rho) + E_i(\rho, T) + E_e(\rho, T)$$

Based on Thomas-Fermi + bonding model

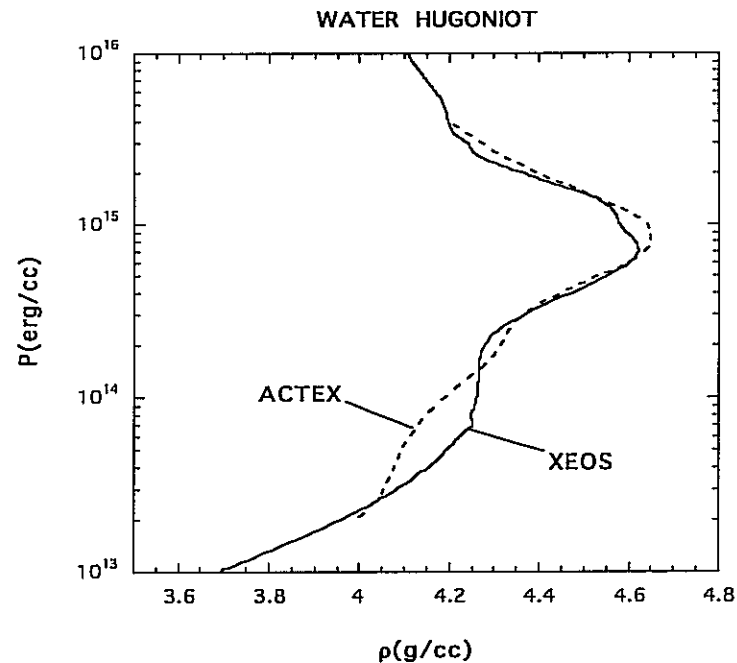
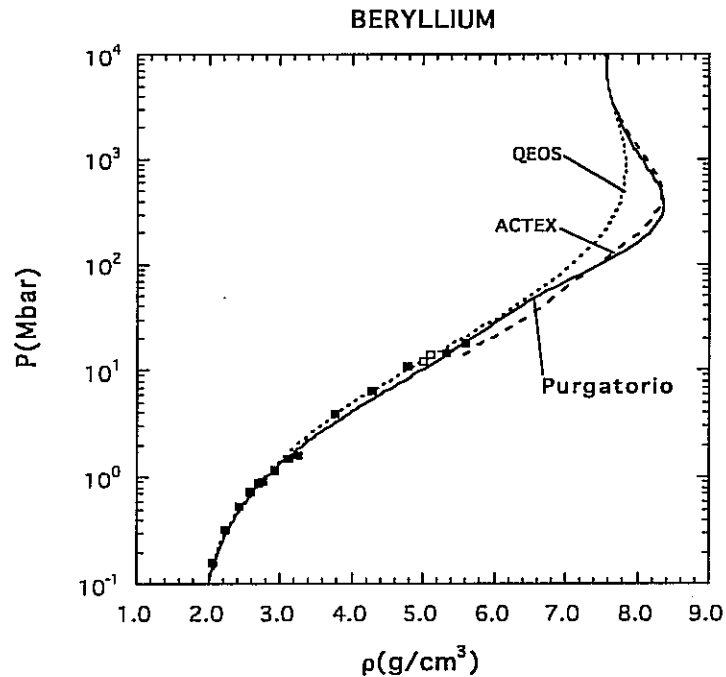
Debye-Gruneisen Model+Lindemann Melt+scaling fluid

Thomas-Fermi or Dirac atom model

LLNL global EOS physics: QEOS (ca. 1980), XEOS (2005)  
These EOS's use the same cold and ion models and either Thomas-Fermi (QEOS) or relativistic quantum (XEOS) electron models

# XEOS PHYSICS

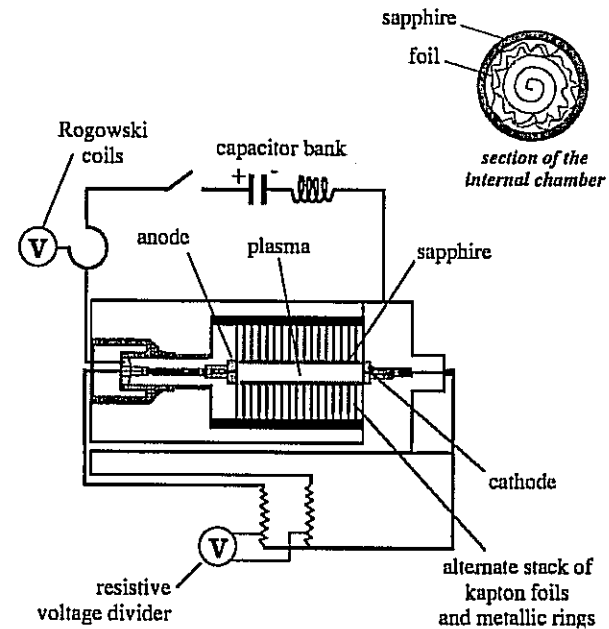
Comparison of XEOS shock Hugoniots with ACTEX plasma physics results is good, showing that XEOS is accurate in the plasma region. Thomas-Fermi physics (QEOS) is inaccurate.



# ISOCHORE EXPERIMENTS

Isochore experiments  
explore the low-density  
state of metals

A global EOS model is  
needed to understand  
the results



V. Recoules, et al., Phys. Rev. E 66,  
056412 (2002)

# ISOCHORE EXPERIMENTS GLOBAL EOS MODELS

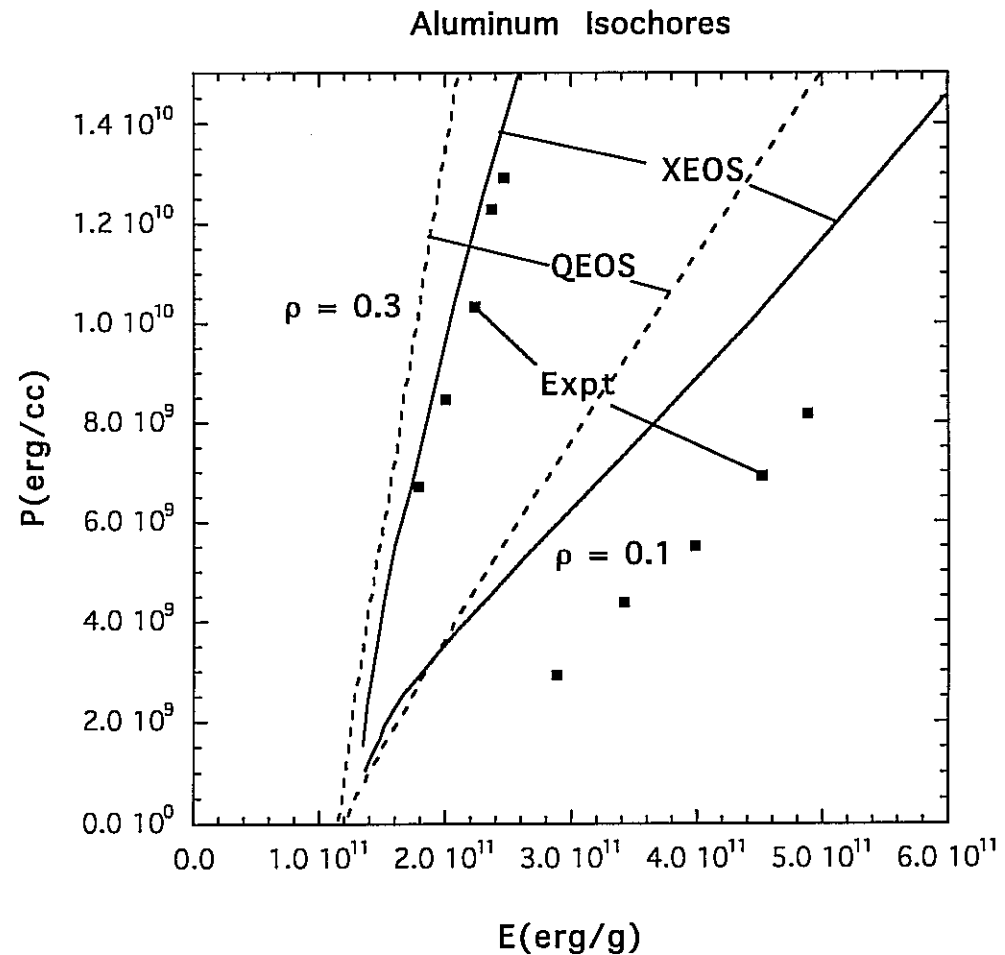
French Isochore  
Experiments

$T_{\max} = 2.5 \text{ eV}$

XEOS predictions  
for aluminum

$E_{\text{coh}}$  is measured

Renaudin, et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 91,  
075002 (2003)



# ISOCHORE EXPERIMENTS

## GLOBAL EOS MODELS

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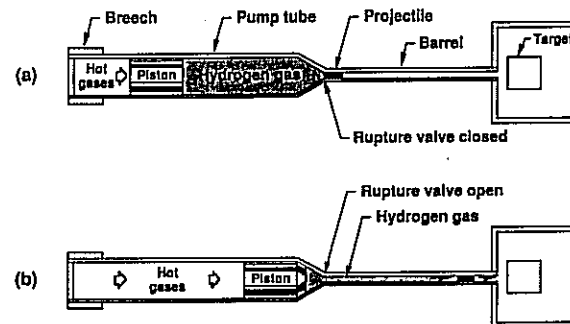
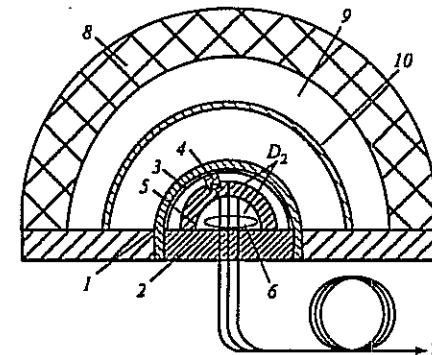
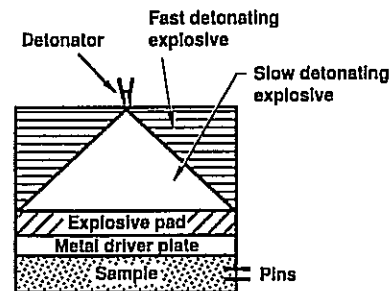
- Models do not do well!
- Isochore is perhaps the best example of a WDM experiment
- Binding energy curve is important
- Strong impetus for improved theory
- We hope that the experiments will continue

# SHOCK EXPERIMENTS

Planar geometry explosive-driven shock wave

Hemispherical convergent-geometry shock wave

Two-stage gas gun  
High-velocity impactor-driven shock wave



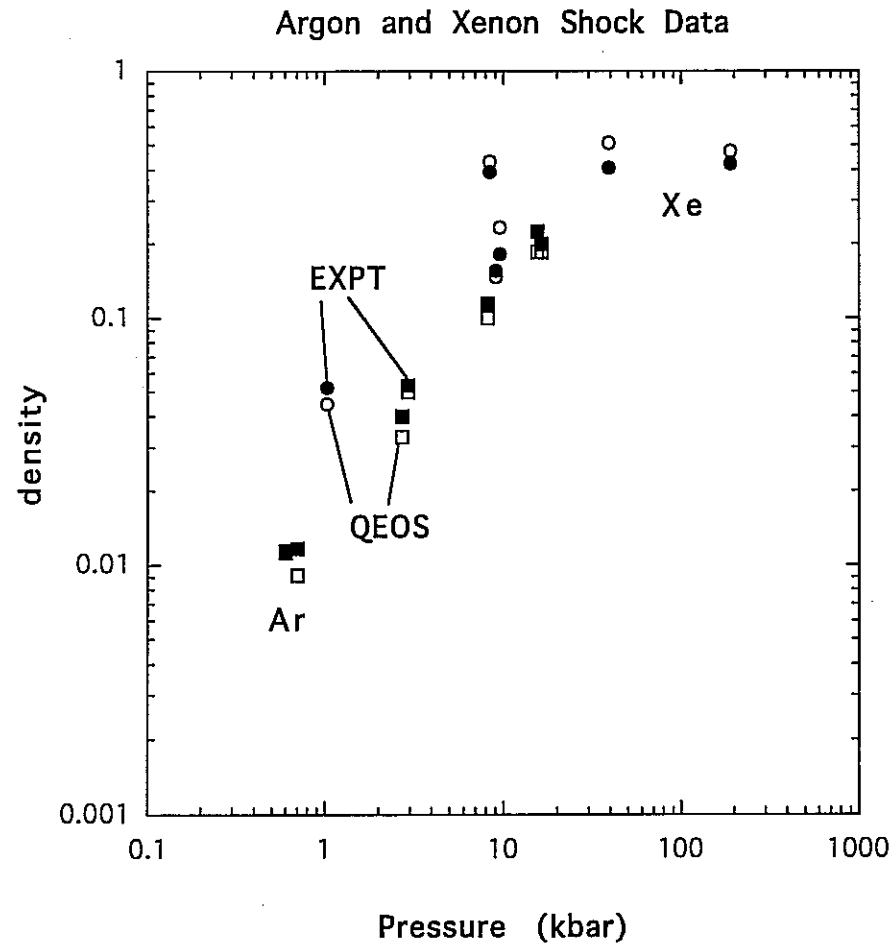
# SHOCKED GASES

Russian shock  
Experiments on  
Ar and Xe

$$T_{\text{max}} = 5 \text{ eV}$$

Comparison with  
QEOS

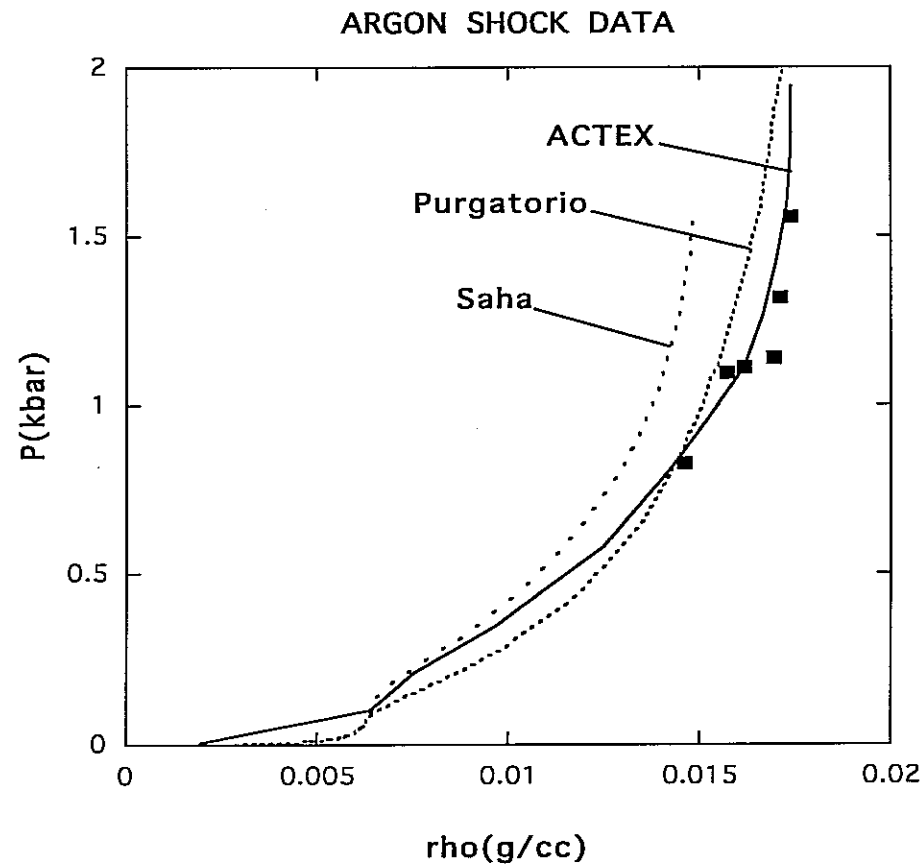
Gryaznov, et al. Sov. Phys. JETP  
51, 288 (1980)



# SHOCKED GASES

## LLNL shock Experiments on Ar

D. Erskine, LLNL 1995

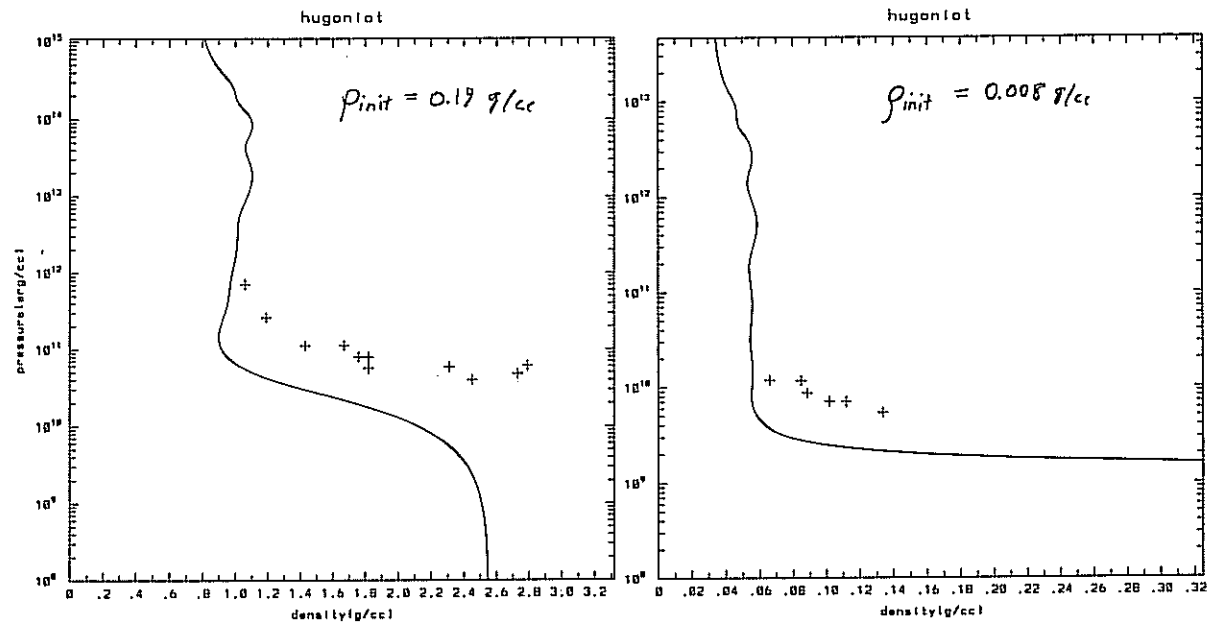


# SHOCKED FOAMS

Russian shock  
Experiments on  
 $\text{SiO}_2$  aerogel

$T_{\text{max}} = 2 \text{ eV}$

Comparison with  
Saha EOS

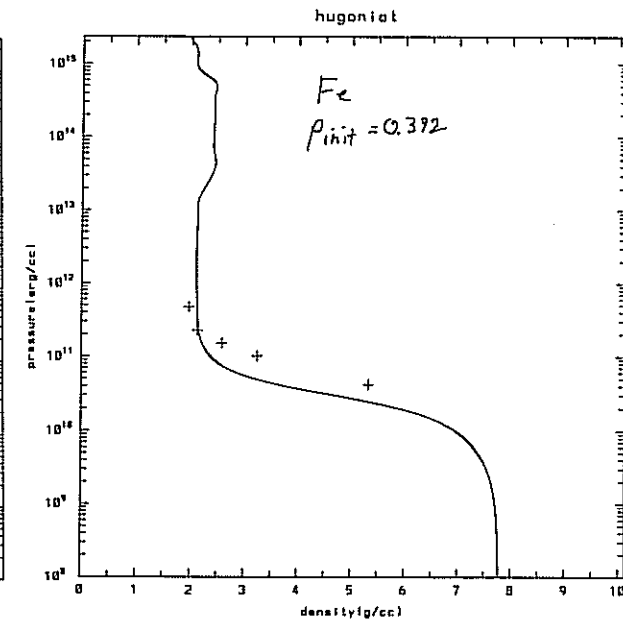
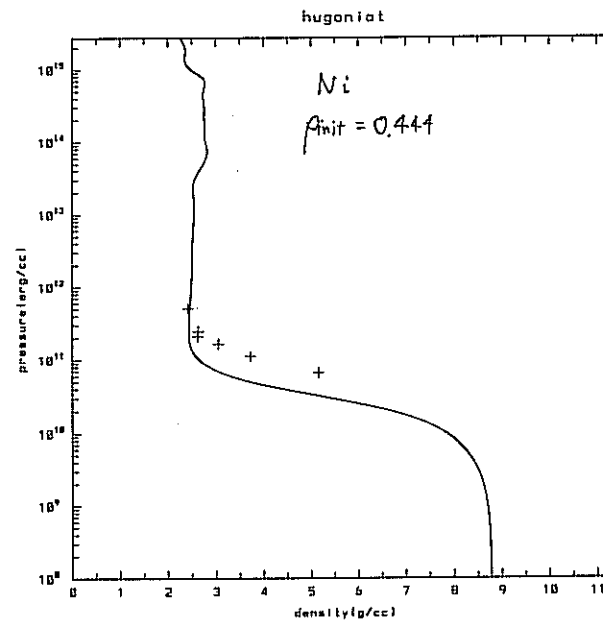


Nikolaev, et al., APS Shock Wave  
Conference 1999  
Vildanov, et al., APS Shock Wave  
Conference 1995

# SHOCKED METALLIC FOAMS

Russian shock  
Experiments on  
Ni and Fe foams  
At  $.05 \rho_0$

Comparison with  
Saha EOS



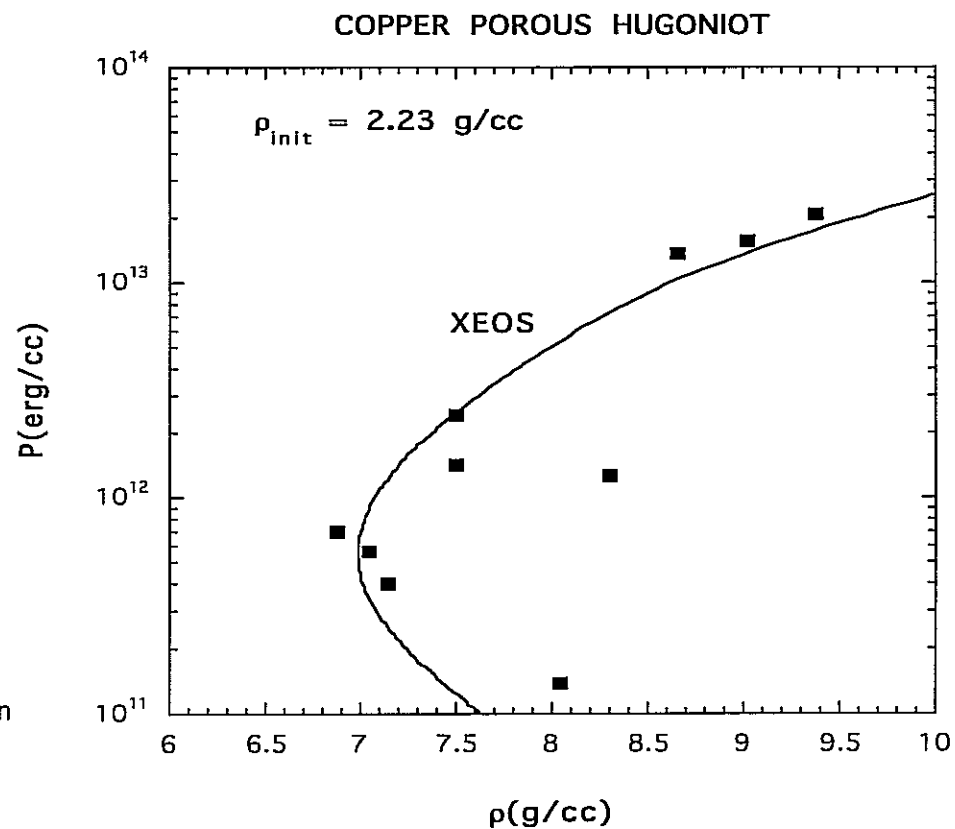
Trunin, Experimental Data on Shock  
Compression and Adiabatic Expansion  
Of Condensed Matter (Sarov, 2001)

# SHOCKED METALLIC FOAMS

Russian shock  
Experiments on  
Cu foam

Comparison with  
XEOS

Trunin, Experimental Data on Shock  
Compression and Adiabatic Expansion  
Of Condensed Matter (Sarov, 2001)



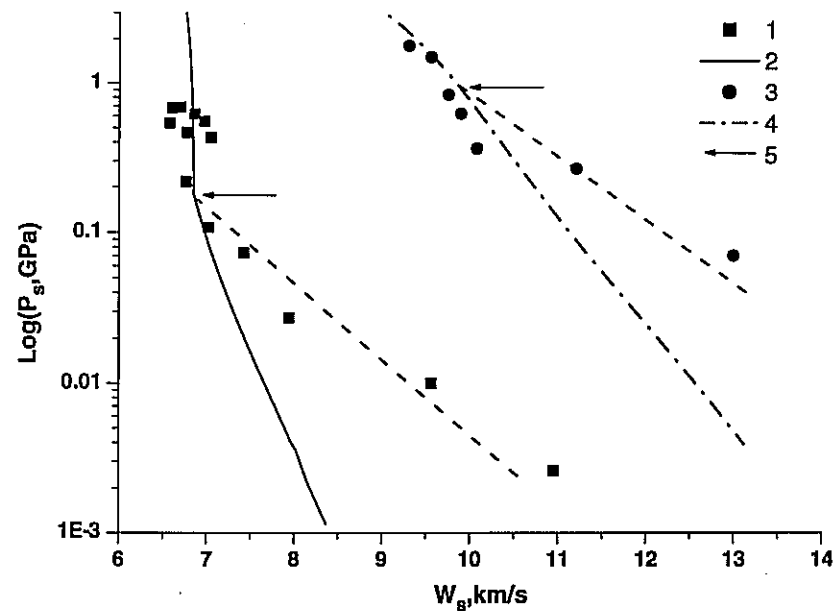
# RELEASE FROM STRONG SHOCKS

Russian release experiments on Molybdenum to determine coexistence curve

Estimated critical Point:

$$T_c = 13,300 \text{ K}$$

$$P_c = 9.6 \text{ kbar}$$



Emelyanov, et al., Int. J. Thermophys.  
26,1985 (2005)

## WHERE WE STAND

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- A small suite of experimental data exists - much more data with higher energy density are needed
- EOS models are adequate for global coverage, but improvements in WDM region are needed
- Strong international effort
- Strong symbiosis between experiment and theory