First Experimental Results of WDM Target Experiments

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Outline

- Experimental area and setup
- Optical diagnostics
- Experiment with Au, Si and Scintillator
- Summary



Experimental facility: NDCX-I





Experimental scheme





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Experimental area











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Intergrated light collection system



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Ultra-fast optical pyrometer for experiments at NDCX



Challenges and requirements:

Being able to detect at least ~1 mW of light from 400 nm to 2000 nm in a sub-ns time scale:

•Ultra fast response (sub-ns)
•Higher sensitivity (>=1500 K)
•Different, more efficient beam splitting mechanism
•No published paper

Technical issues:

Need low noise amplified photo receiver with flat gain from DC to 4GHz and big active surface.
Fiber coupling limits the efficiency
Picoseconds time scale means: Modal (temporal) dispersion in MM fiber, careful cabling, impedance match and termination of detectors

Channel #1: 750 nm+-75 nm, 76 ps rise/fall time detect? ⁻⁻⁻⁻ level ~2500 K (blackbody) Channel #2: 1000 nm+-75 nm, 72 ps rise/fall time detectable level ~1500 K (blackbody) Channel #3: 1400 nm+-75 nm, 70 ps rise/fall time detectable level ~2000 K (blackbody)

Can be upgraded up to 7 channels



Pyrometer testing in laser experiment

Experimental setup







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Streak camera for time resolved absolute spectroscopy



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Absolute spectral calibration

Light collection optics aligned to calibration lamp:





•Pyrometer and streak camera are calibrated absolutely with tungsten ribbon lamp •Filament calibration temperature is 2600 K, which is close to temperatures expected in our experiments



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Calibration voltages of pyrometer:





NDCX-1 beam pulse structure



Beam current structure consists •main, flat-top 1 μs pulse (variable up to 10 μs) with flux on target ~100 mJ/cm2/μs •bunch-compressed 2-ns pulse with fluence ~10 mJ/cm2.

The compressed pulse can be delivered controllably at any time within the duration of the main pulse. The 2-ns compressed pulse width is at a comparable time scale to the hydrodynamic response of our targets



Pyrometer record: Au



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Streak camera record: Au





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Lines indentification



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In red shown lines which overlap with experiment
"w"-wide line
<u>We could identify all lines as Au lines, but what is their nature?</u>

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Temperature reconstruction



- •Performed non-linear least square optimization (Levenberg-Marquardt) with statistical weights.
- Used sensitivity of spectrometer as a weight function
- •Fitting is a "Bonus" and serves as a reference only.

•Discrepancy can be explained by many reasons: non-equilibrium, scintillation, low-level of signal, sample is not optically thick, screening hot vapor, gas-droplet mixture etc...





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Temperatures reconstucted from streak camera data: Au



Streak camera record: Si



Temperatures reconstucted from streak camera data:Si





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Bonus: scinitillator spectrums

<u>"Worn out" sample (>>100 shots)</u>



"Fresh" sample (<100 shots)



Wavelength



Opened questions:

- •Why intensities are so different (x100)?
- •Why temporal responses are different
- •Why "lines-like" spectrum?
- •Why IR lines show after compressed peak only?
- •Why non-linear response
- •Does the scintillator material degrade?
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GSI vs LBNL



- •Beam: Uranium (+74) e-cooled, compressed
- •Intensity: (1 4.2)x10⁹
- •Energy: 83GeV/ion
- •Focal spot: 0.150 mm 1.5 mm
- •Duration: (FWHM): 120 ns 1000 ns
- •Beam time: ~4 weeks/year

HED samples :

- •Edep~1 kJ/g (in lead)
- •temperatures up to 1.5 eV
- •kbar pressure range
- •@ solid state density, two phase vaporliquid, near creatical



Beam: K (+1) neutralized, drift compressed
Intensity:~10¹⁰
Energy: 300keV/ion
Focal spot: >=1 mm
Duration (FWHM): >=2 ns
Beam time: ~"unlimited"

<u>HED samples:</u> •Edep~0.2 kJ/g (in Al) •temperatures up to 0.3 eV (0.5 after upgrade) •@ solid state density, two phase vapor-liquid



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Summary

•Commissioned pyrometer, streak camera, light collection optics, micro-positioning hardware, target chamber.

•Determined improvements and upgrades.

•Acquired initial data and made first attempts to simulate it.

•Demonstrated NDCX being a competitive machine for WDM research.

•Near term upgrades will increase temperatures.



