
Virtual Laser Laboratory: Online Simulation of Laser Experiments

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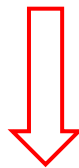
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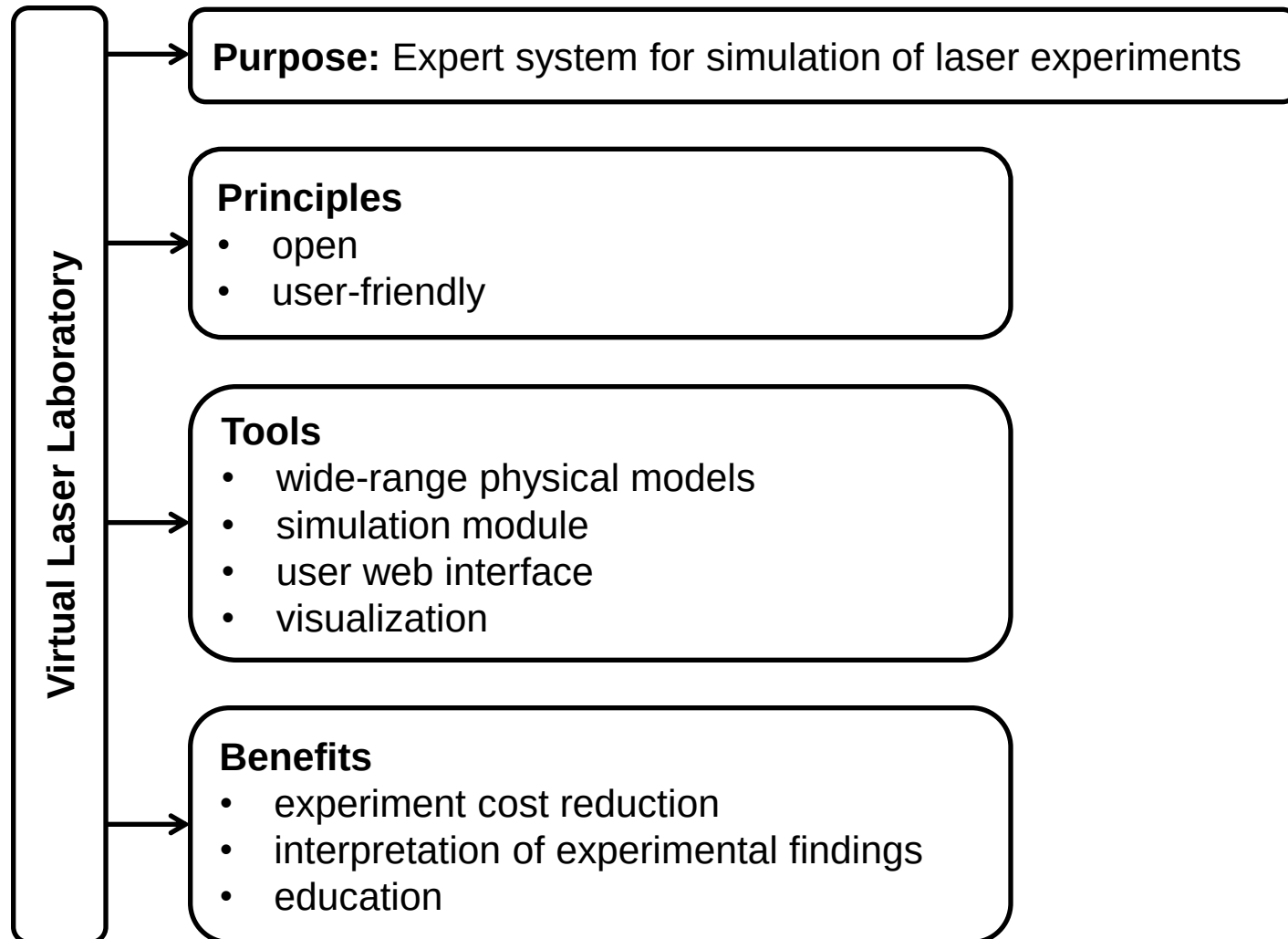
Motivation

- Simulation and interpretation of laser experiments are problems of today
- There are complex wide-range models that give reliable results
- But how to give an access to these models?



Web interface + code = Virtual Laser Lab

Conception of Virtual Laser Laboratory



Two-Temperature Hydrodynamic Model

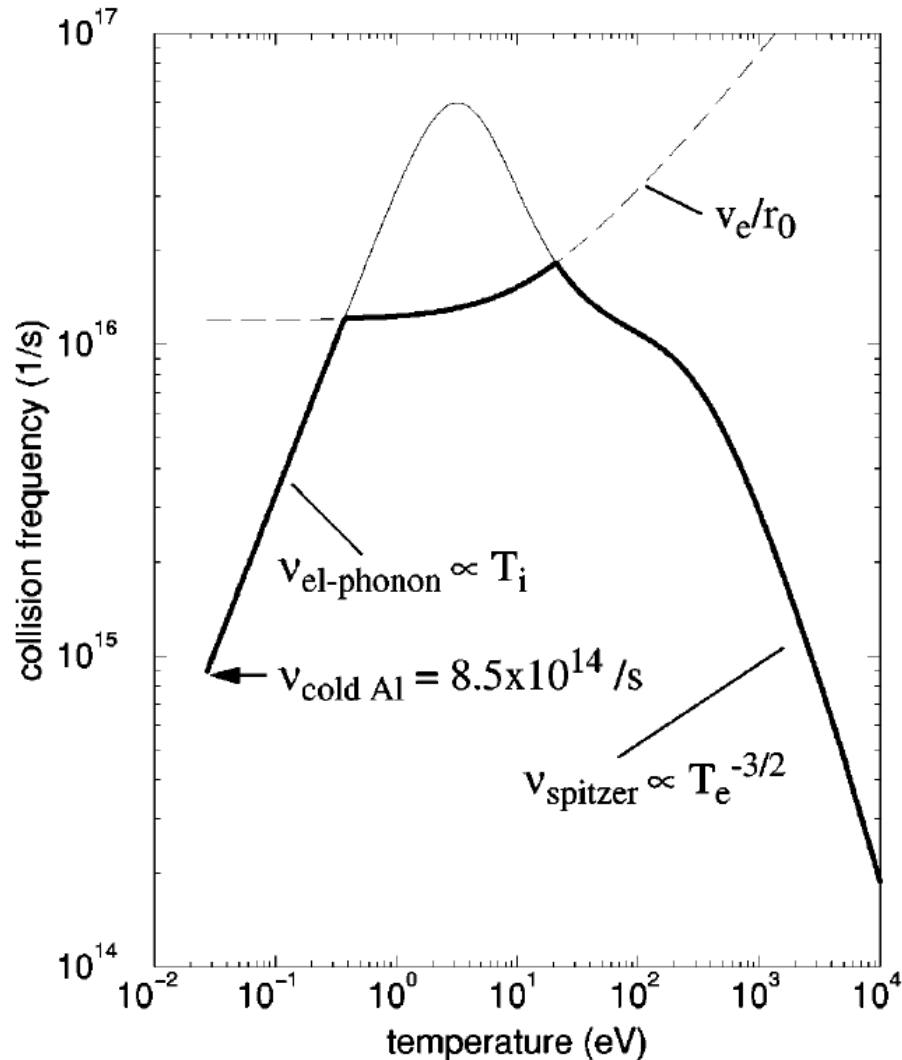
$$\frac{\partial(1/\rho)}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial m} = 0, \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(P_i + P_e)}{\partial m} = 0, \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial e_e}{\partial t} + P_e \frac{\partial u}{\partial m} = & -\gamma_{ei}(T_e - T_i)/\rho + \\ & + Q_L/\rho + \frac{\partial}{\partial m} \left(\rho \kappa_e \frac{\partial T_e}{\partial m} \right), \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{\partial e_i}{\partial t} + P_i \frac{\partial u}{\partial m} = \gamma_{ei}(T_e - T_i)/\rho. \quad (4)$$

Collision frequency



Eidmann et al. PRE 62 (2000)

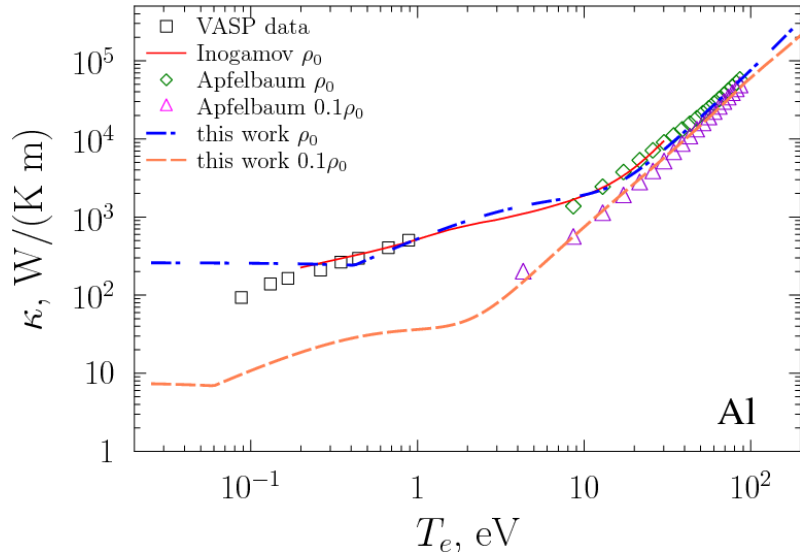
Pump-probe for v_{cold}

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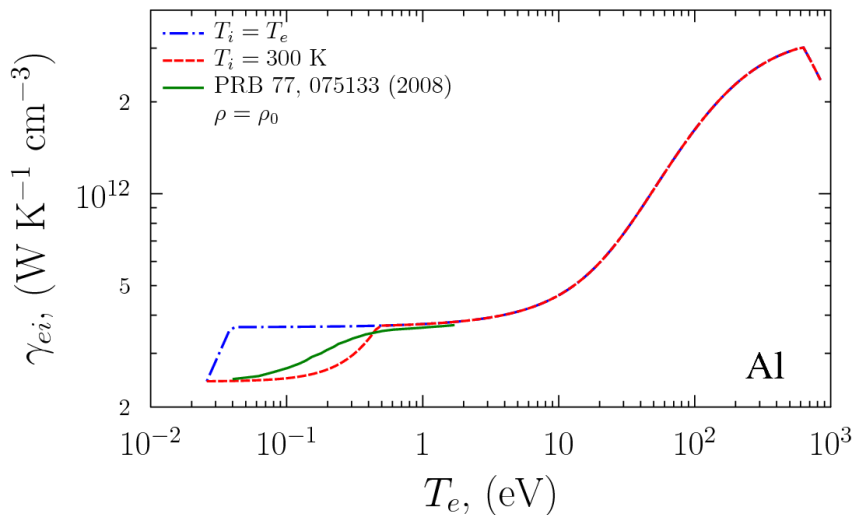
Thermal conductivity and electron-ion coupling



$$\kappa = \kappa_{\text{pl}} + (\kappa_{\text{met}} - \kappa_{\text{pl}})e^{-A_4^t T_e/T_F}$$

$$\kappa_{\text{met}} = \frac{\pi^2 k_B^2 n_e}{3m_e \nu_{\text{eff},t}} T_e \quad T_e \ll T_F$$

$$\kappa_{\text{pl}} = \frac{16 \sqrt{2} k_B (k_B T_e)^{5/2}}{\pi^{3/2} Z e^4 \sqrt{m_e} \Lambda} \quad T_e \gg T_F$$



$$\gamma_{ei} = \frac{3k_B m_e}{m_i} n_e \nu_{\text{eff}}$$

Equations of EM field

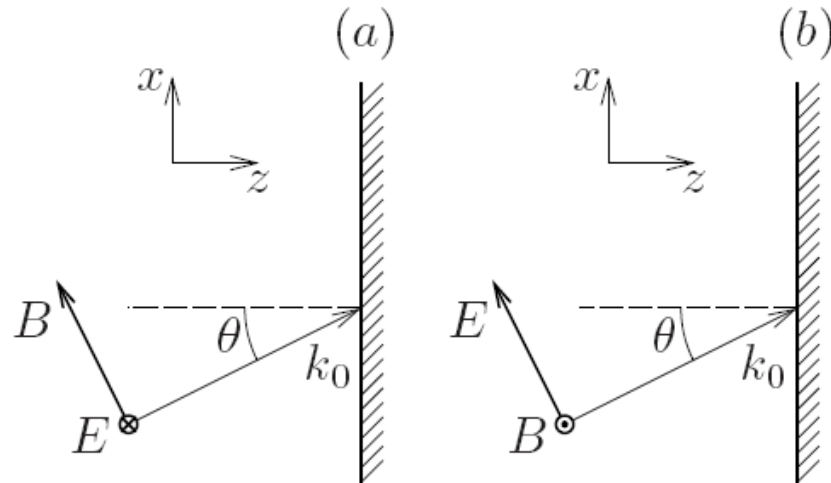


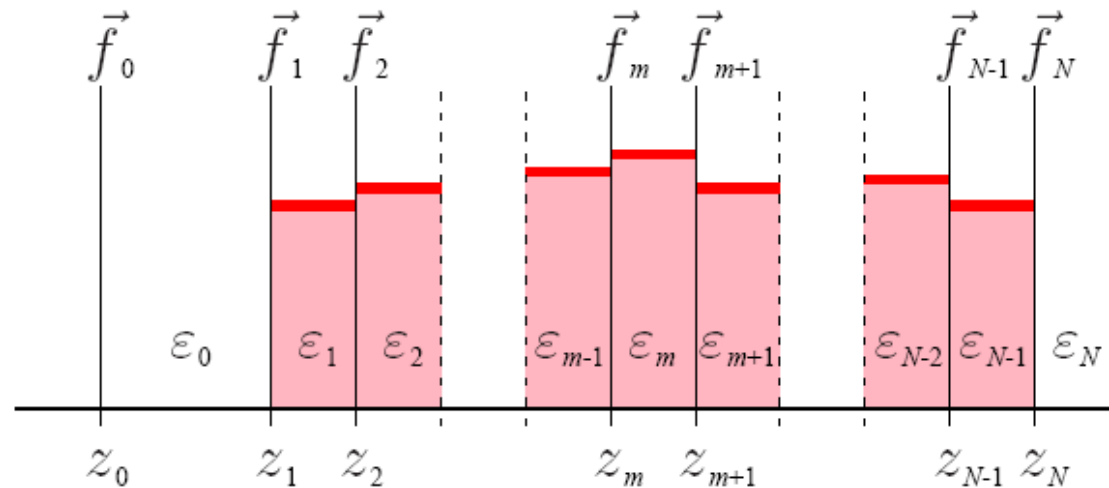
Figure 3. Polarization of laser light: (a)—s; (b)—p.

$$\frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial z^2} + k_0^2 [\varepsilon(z) - \sin^2 \theta] E = 0.$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 B}{\partial z^2} + k_0^2 [\varepsilon(z) - \sin^2 \theta] B - \frac{\ln \varepsilon(z)}{\partial z} \frac{\partial B}{\partial z} = 0.$$

Transfer-matrix method (optics)

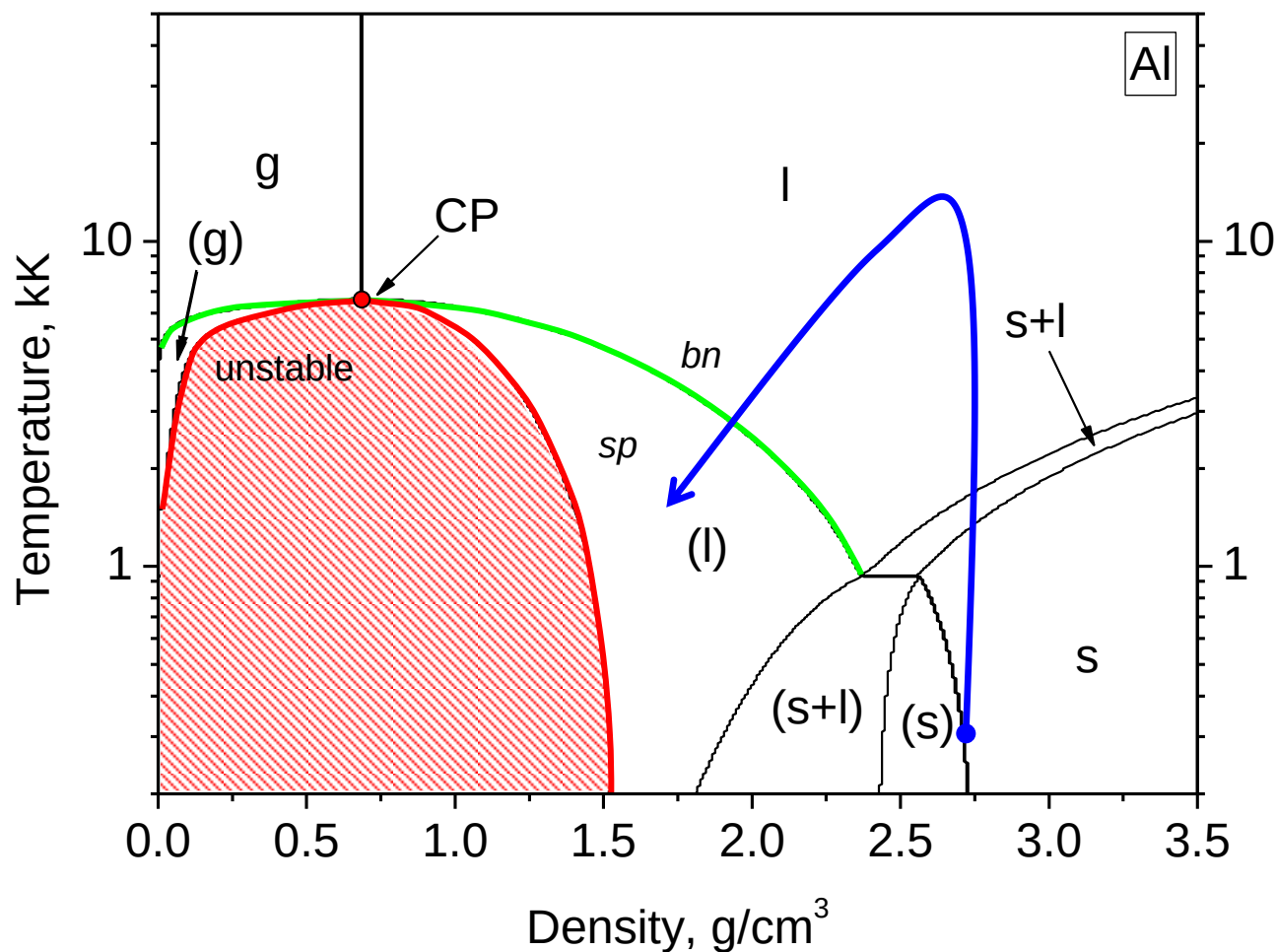
Born, M.; Wolf, E., Oxford, Pergamon Press, 1964.



$$F_m(z) = f_m^{(+)} e^{ik_m(z-z_m)} + f_m^{(-)} e^{-ik_m(z-z_m)} \quad z_m \leq z \leq z_{m+1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_m(z_{m+1}) &= F_{m+1}(z_{m+1}), \\ (\partial F_m / \partial z)|_{z_{m+1}} &= D_m (\partial F_{m+1} / \partial z)|_{z_{m+1}}, \end{aligned} \quad D_m = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if s-polarized,} \\ \epsilon_m / \epsilon_{m+1}, & \text{if p-polarized.} \end{cases}$$

Two-temperature semi-empirical EOS

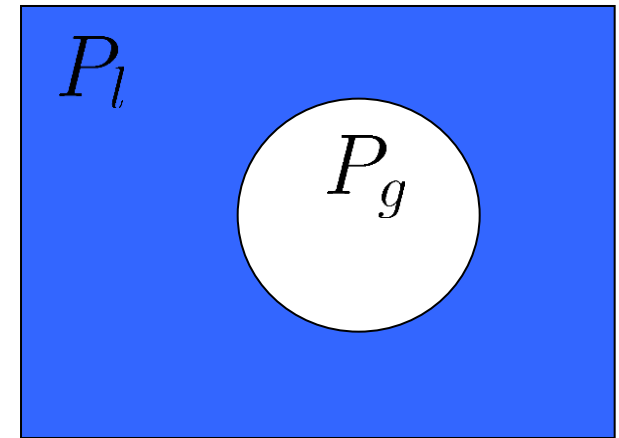


Nucleation model

$$\tau_{\text{wait}} = (CN)^{-1} \exp(W/k_B T)$$

$$C \approx 10^{10} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$W = \frac{16\pi\sigma^3}{3(P_g - P_l)^2}$$

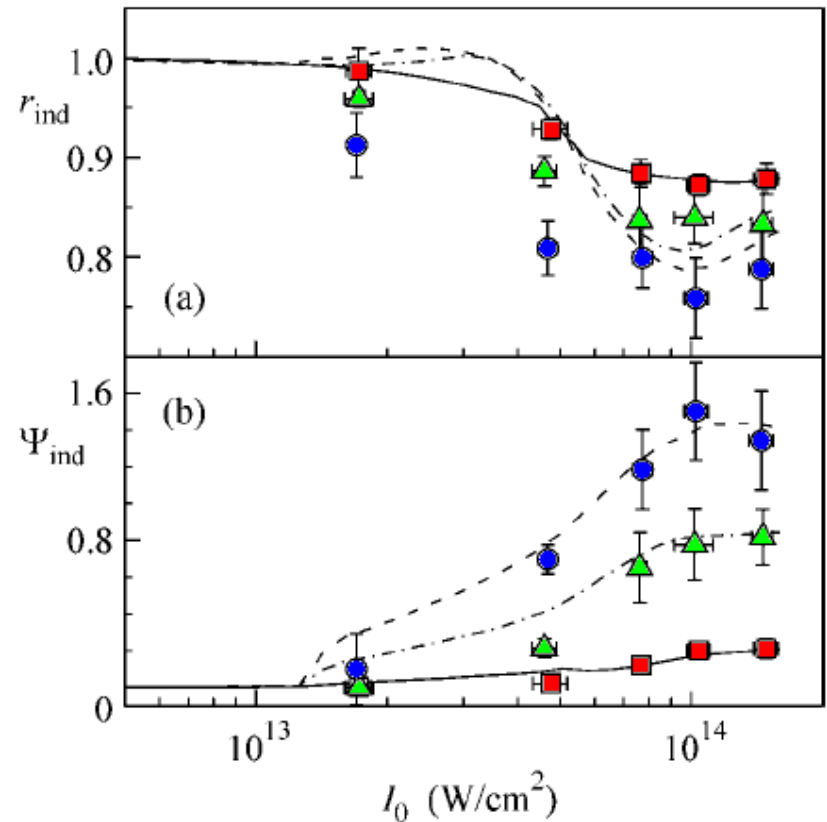
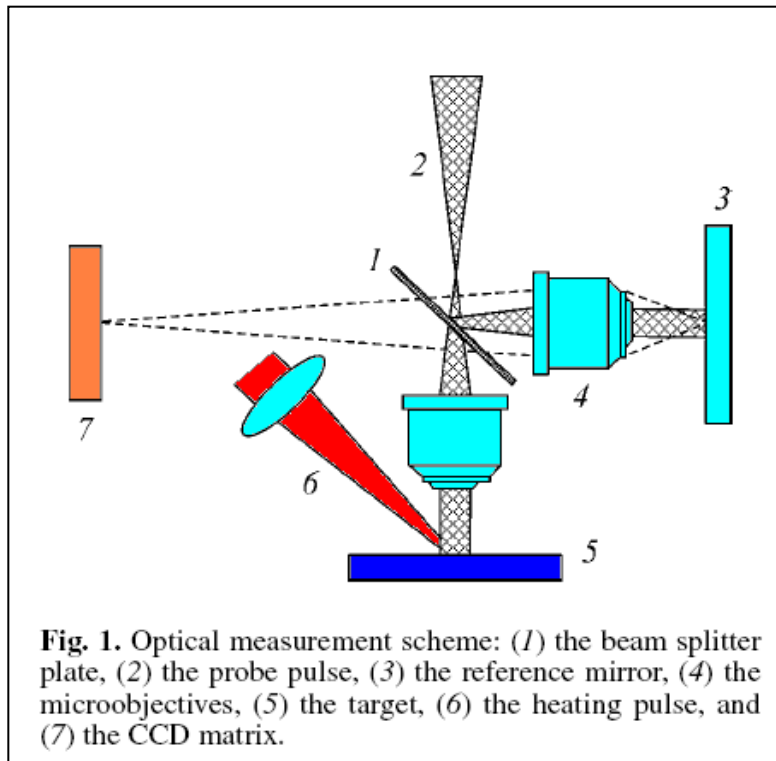


$$P_g > P_l + \frac{2\sigma}{R}$$

$$\tau_{\text{nucl}} = \tau_{\text{wait}} + \tau_{\text{grow}}$$

V. P. Skripov, Metastable Liquids. Wiley, New York, 1974.

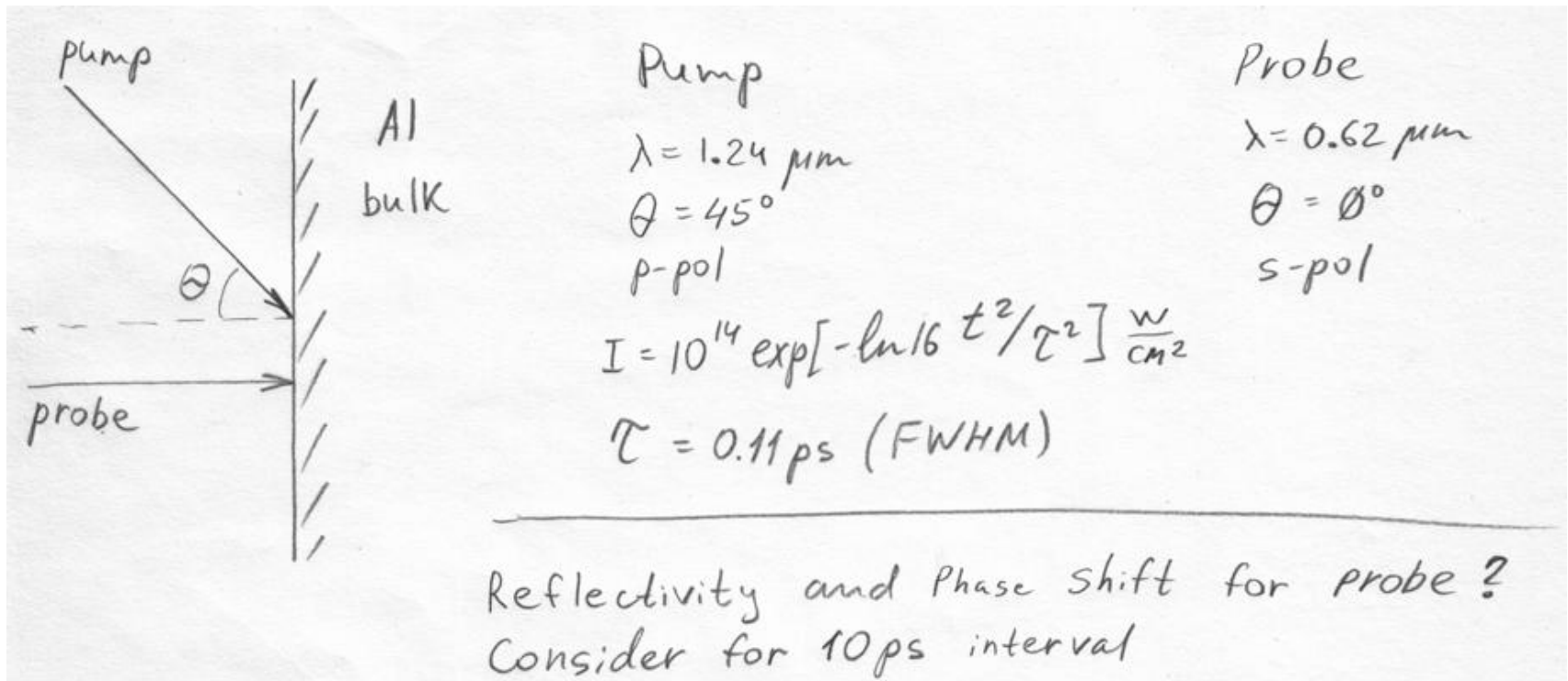
Pump-probe technique



M.B. Agranat et al.
JETP Letters **85** (2007)

Pump-probe modeling

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VIRTUAL LASER LABORATORY

Step 1: General Conditions

Task name:

Initial moment t_{init} (ps):

Final moment t_{end} (ps):

Number of data files [1, 100]: ?

No motion regime: ?

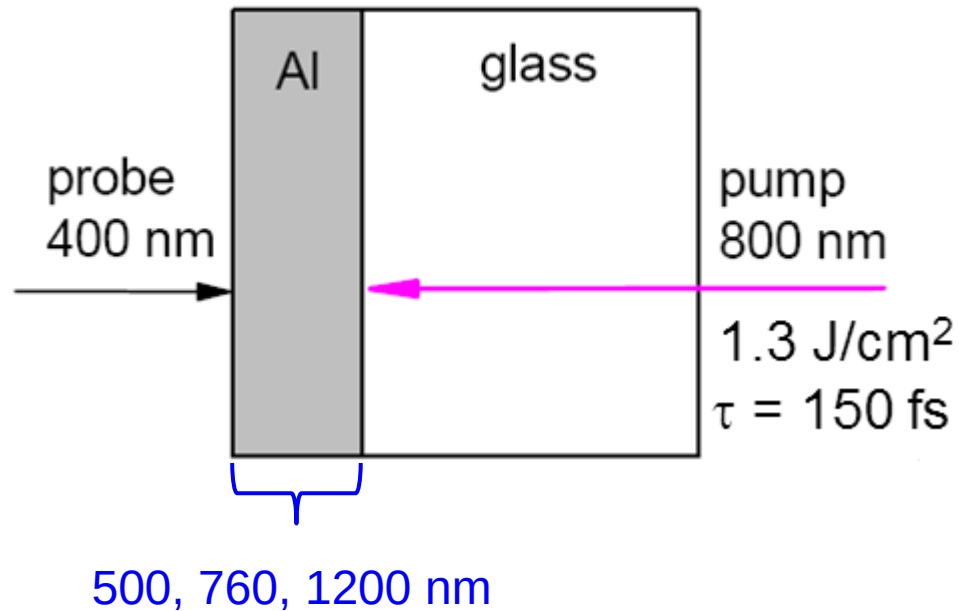
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Choose the number of objects: ?

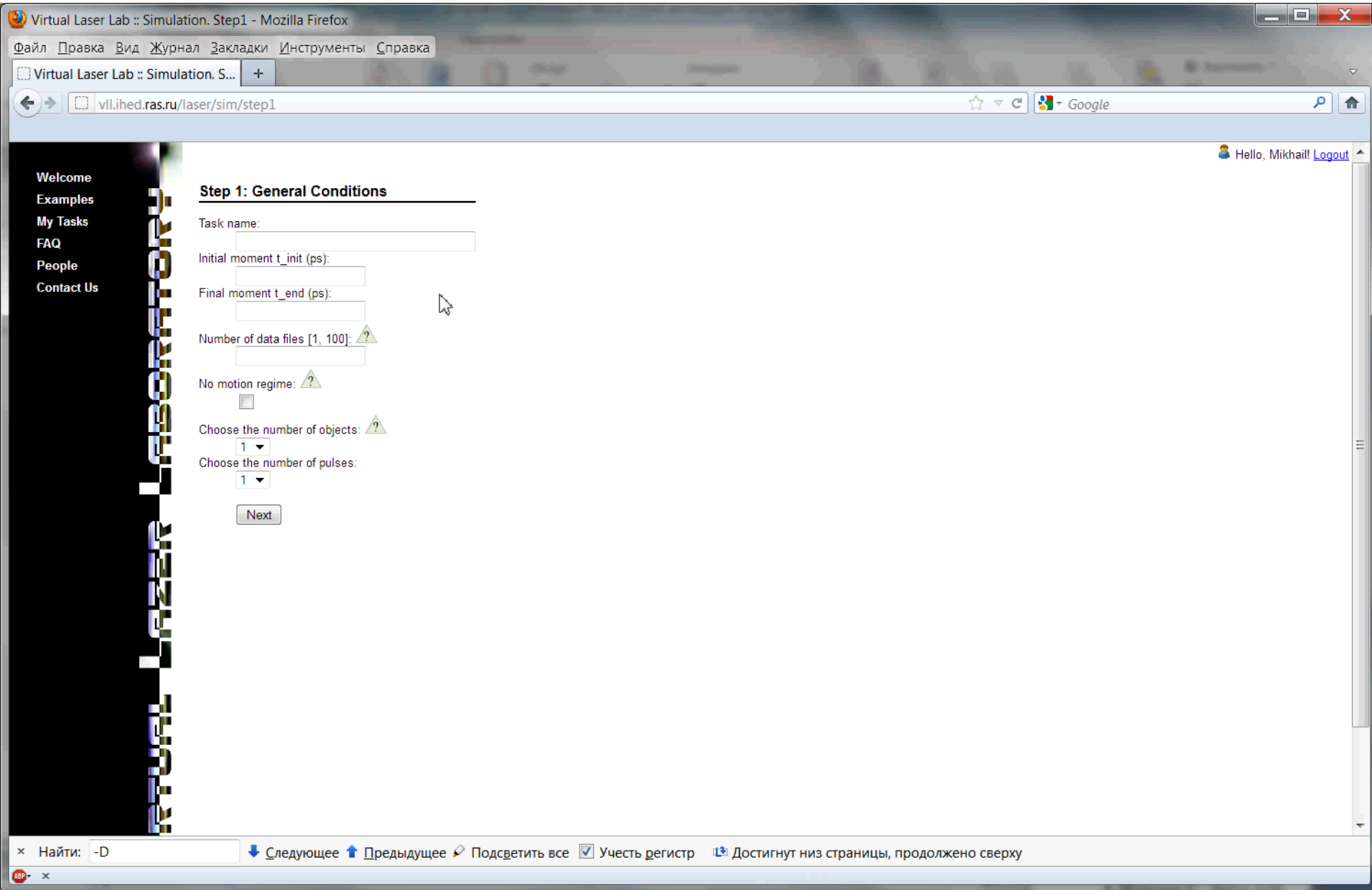
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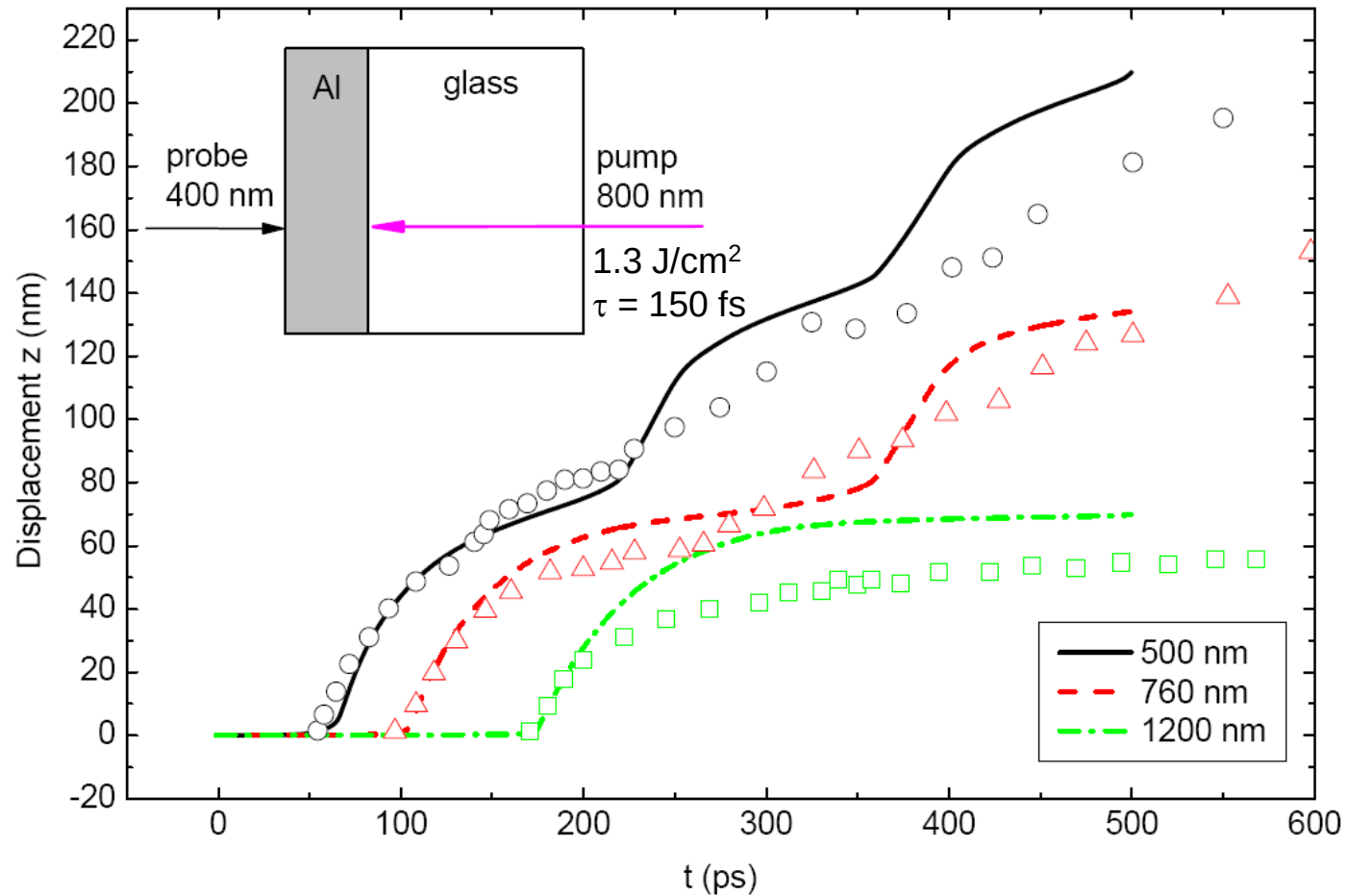
Thin foil spallation



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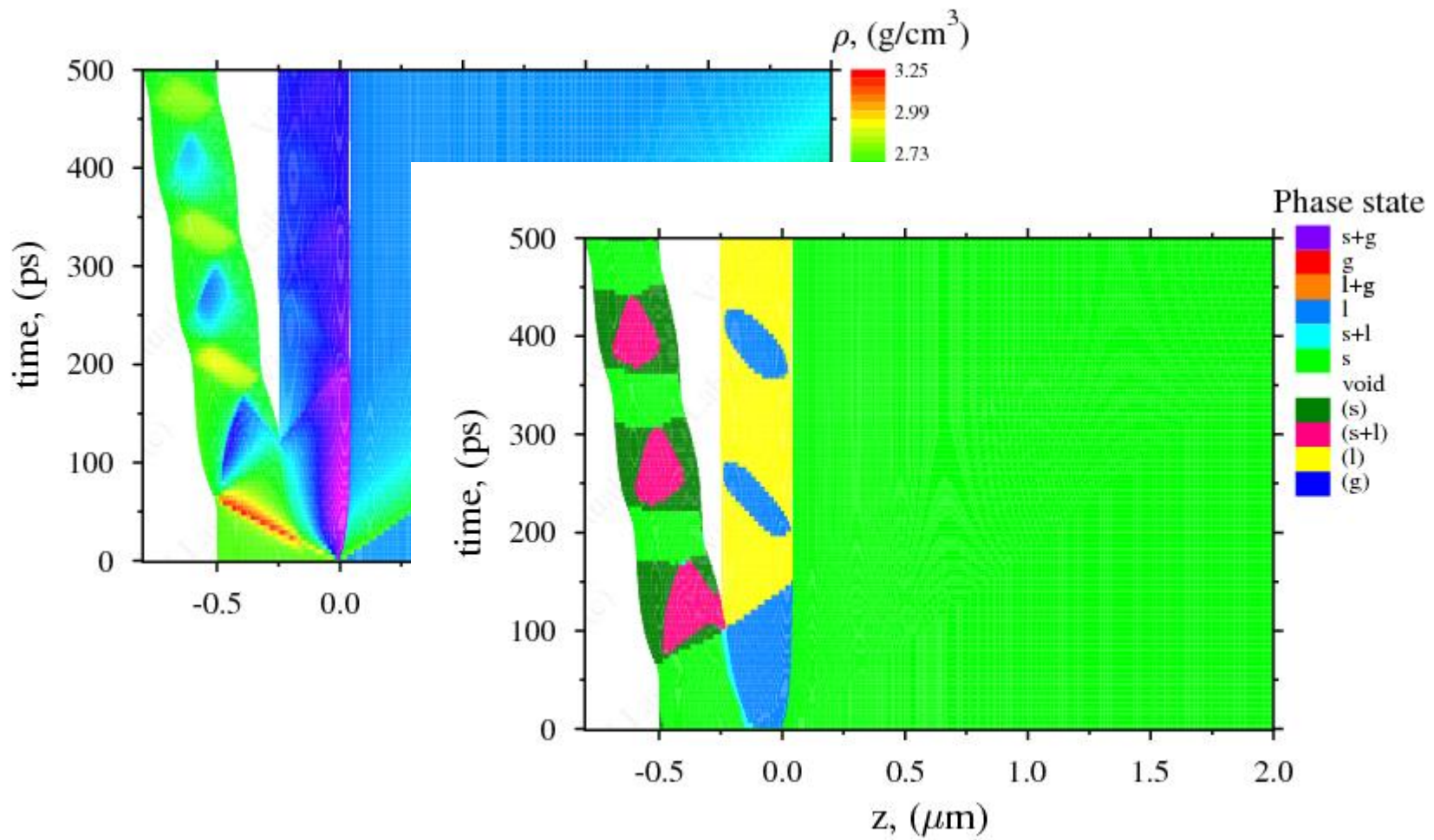


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Thin foil spallation, 500 nm Al on substrate



Summary

- Virtual laser laboratory is online tool for 1D simulation of laser–matter interaction
- VLL can be useful for preliminary analysis of experiments and post-processing of experimental finding
- A set of wide-range models used in VLL helps to get reliable results
- Potential users are experimentalists, numerical modeling specialists, students etc.

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