

Experimental Metrology And Techniques For Sub-millimeter Optical Observation Of Detonation Reaction Phenomena And Performance Evaluation Of Crystalline Explosives



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1. Experimental Technique Overview

- *Multi-Fiber Optical Probe (MFOP)*
 - Multi-Mode PMMA Fiber Optic Array
 - Spatial Resolution: $250\mu\text{m}$
- High-Speed Electronic Streak Camera (ESC)
 - Model: *Thomson TSN 506 N*
 - Temporal Resolution: $\sim 1\text{ns}$
- +15 Test Setups / Configurations

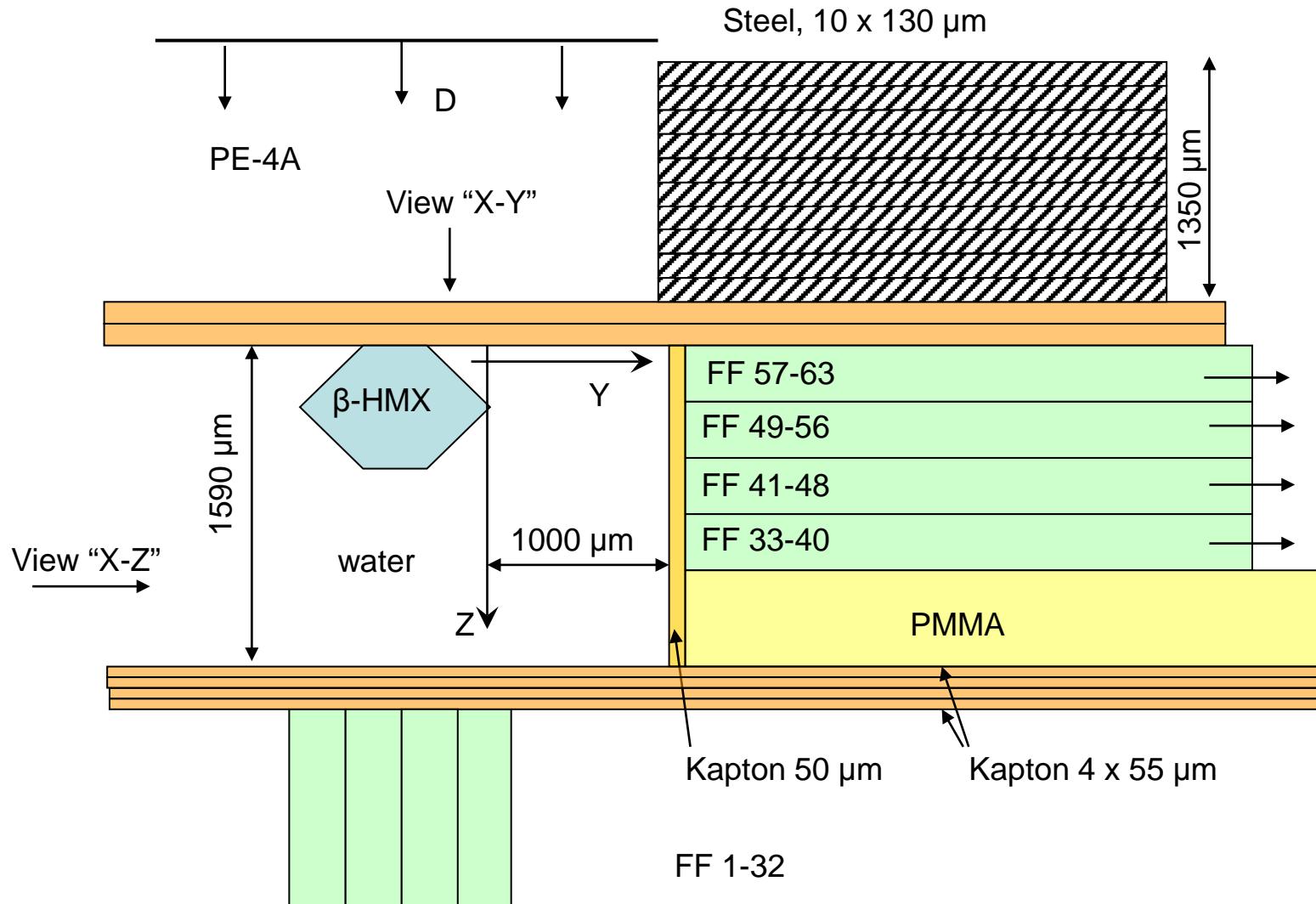
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- **Products:**

- Resolution of Reaction Radiation Fields
 - Hotspots, Localizations and Irregularities
- Resolution of Induced Peak Pressure Fields in Inert Media
- Correlation Between Reaction Intensity and Induced Pressure
- Detonation Front Topography
 - Curvature
 - Smoothness / Roughness
- Resolution of Local Detonation Velocity (D) Perturbations
- Detonation Extinction Critical Diameter
- Shock-to-Detonation Transition (SDT), etc...

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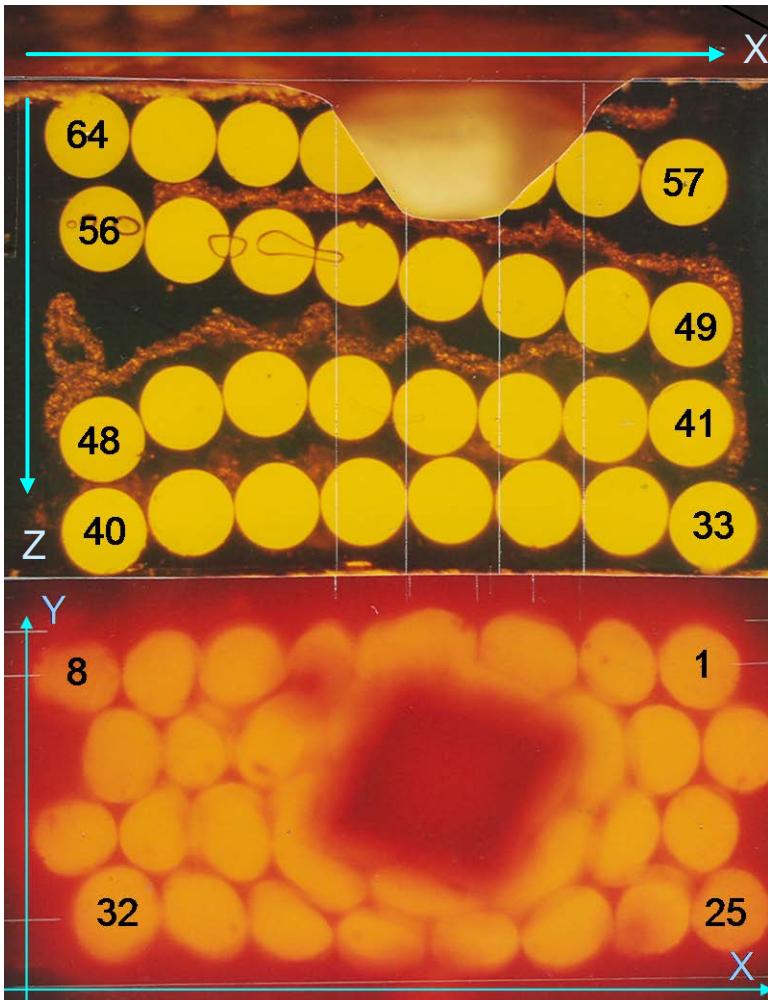
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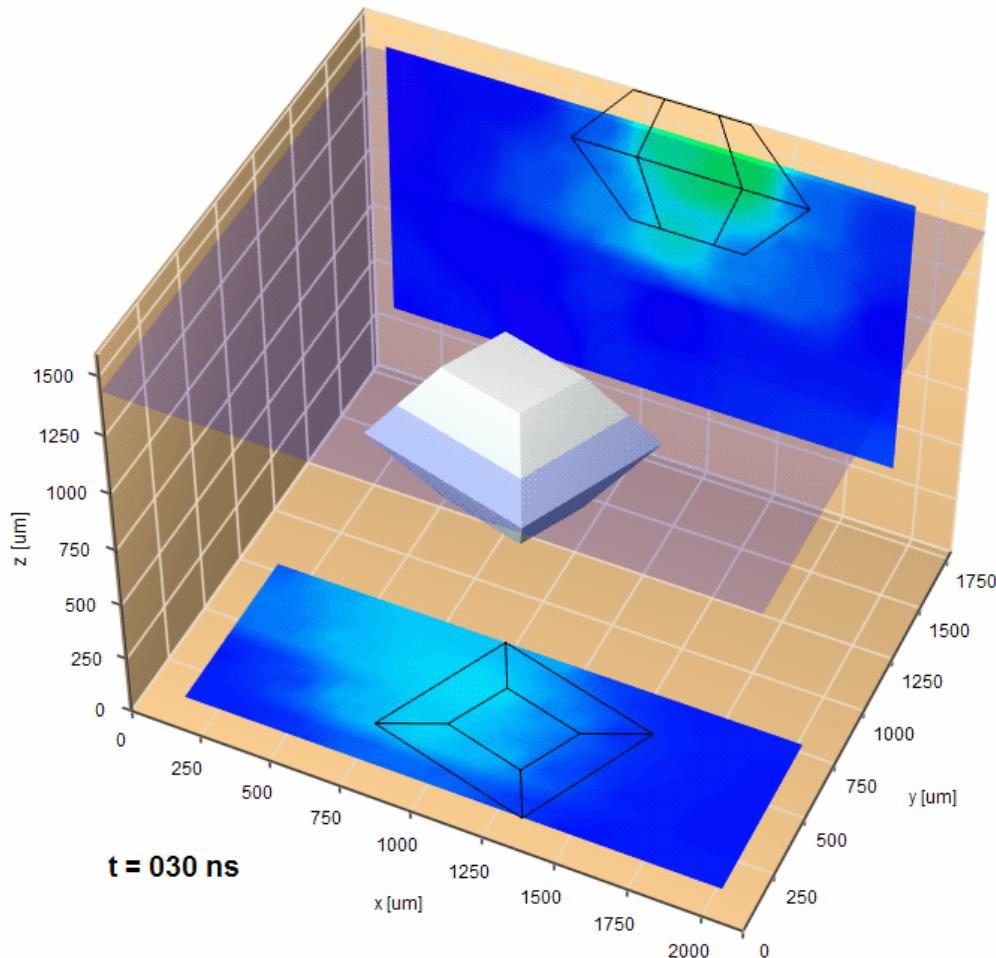
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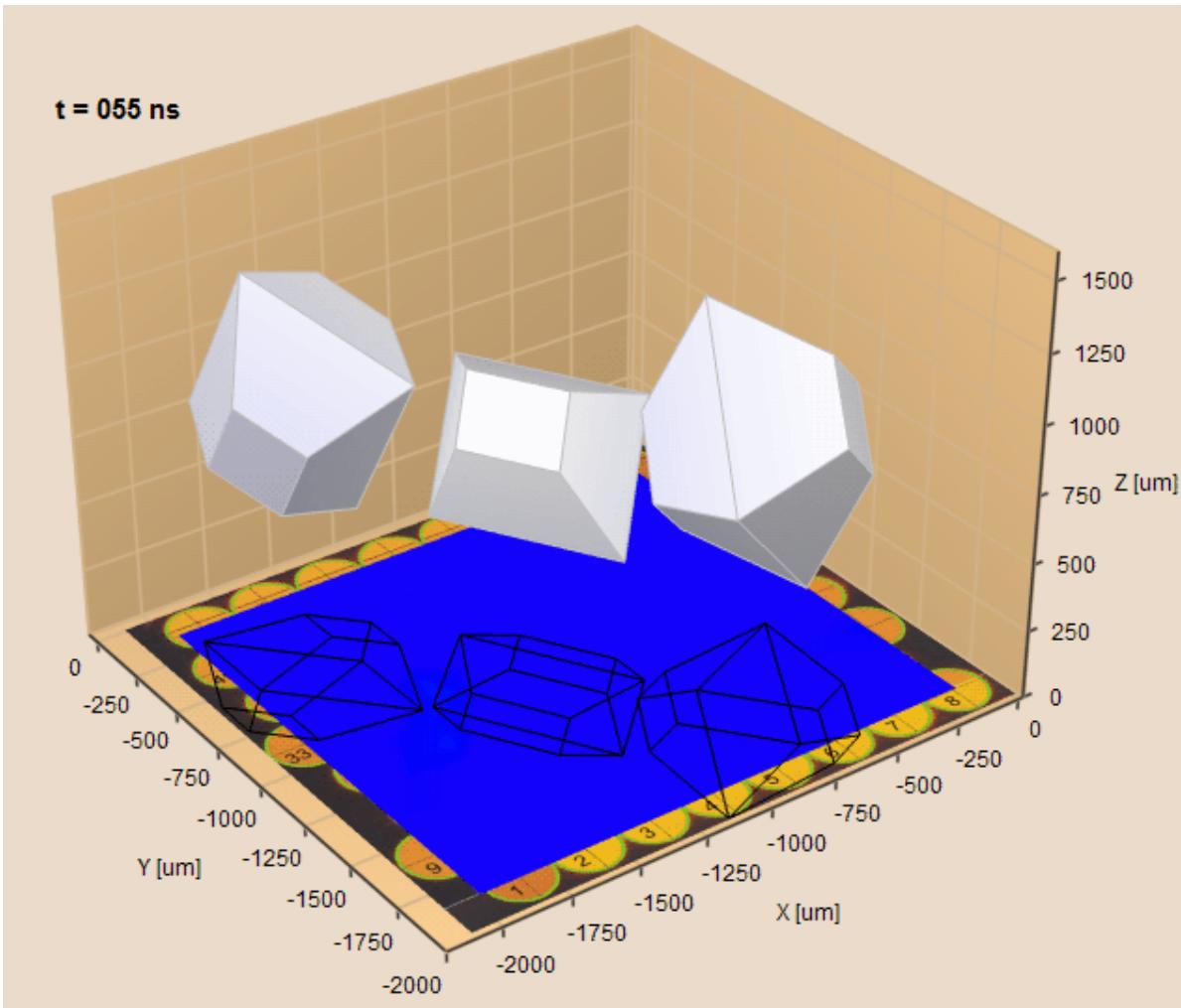
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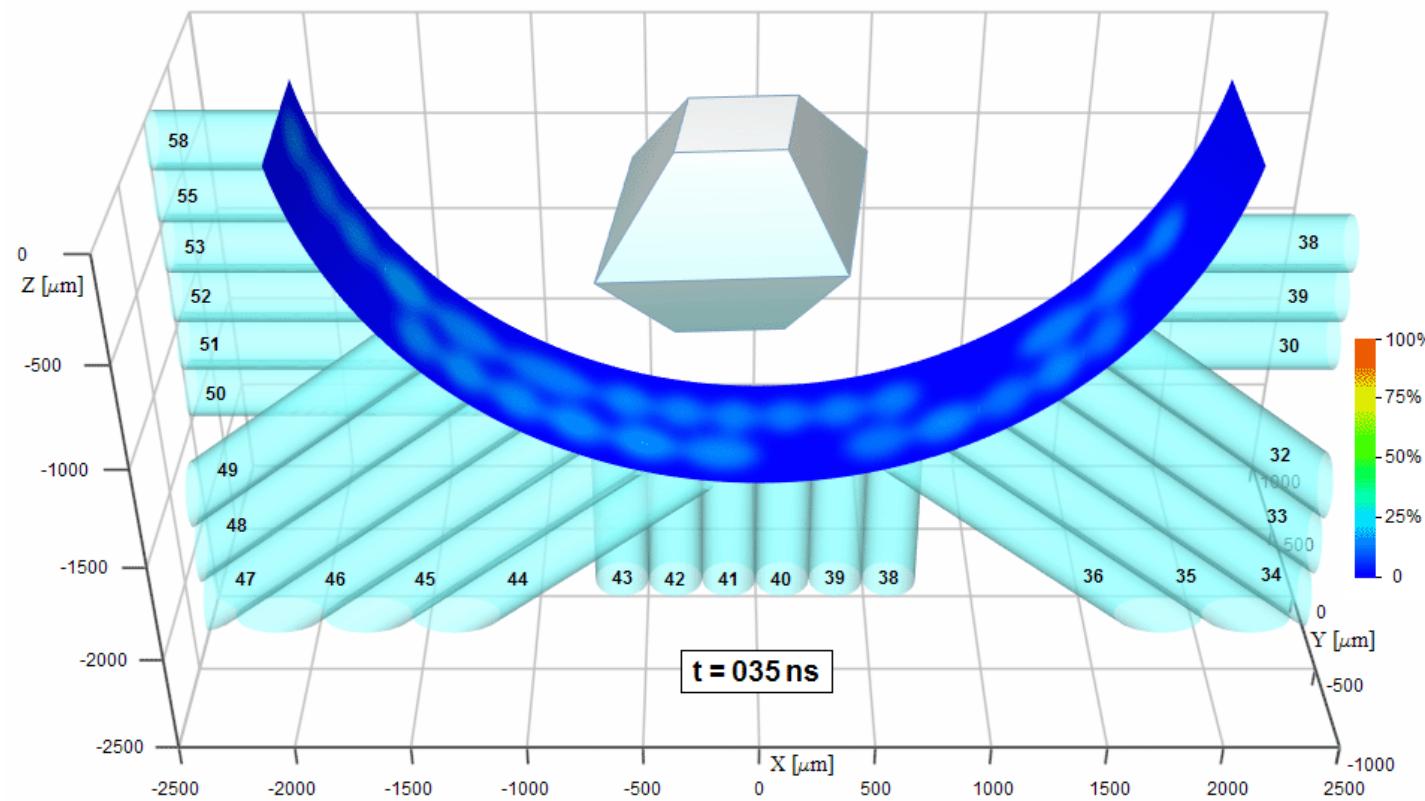
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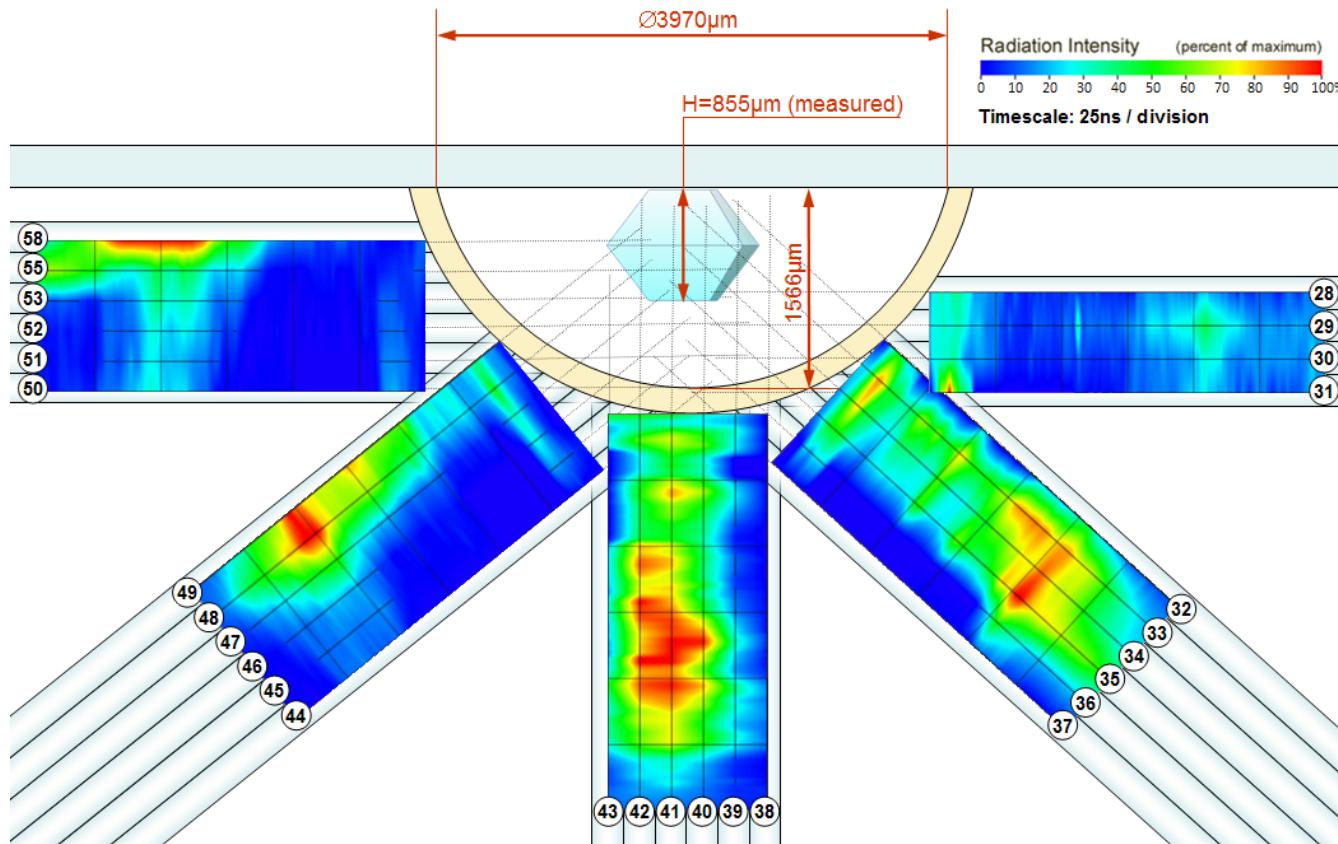
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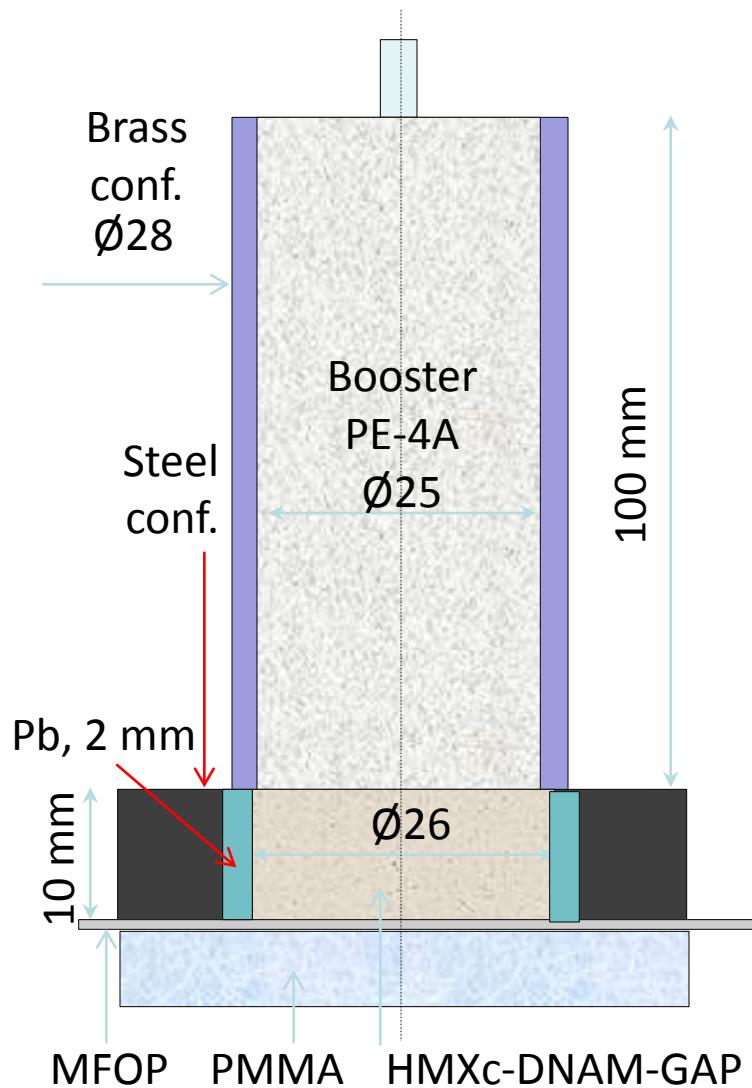
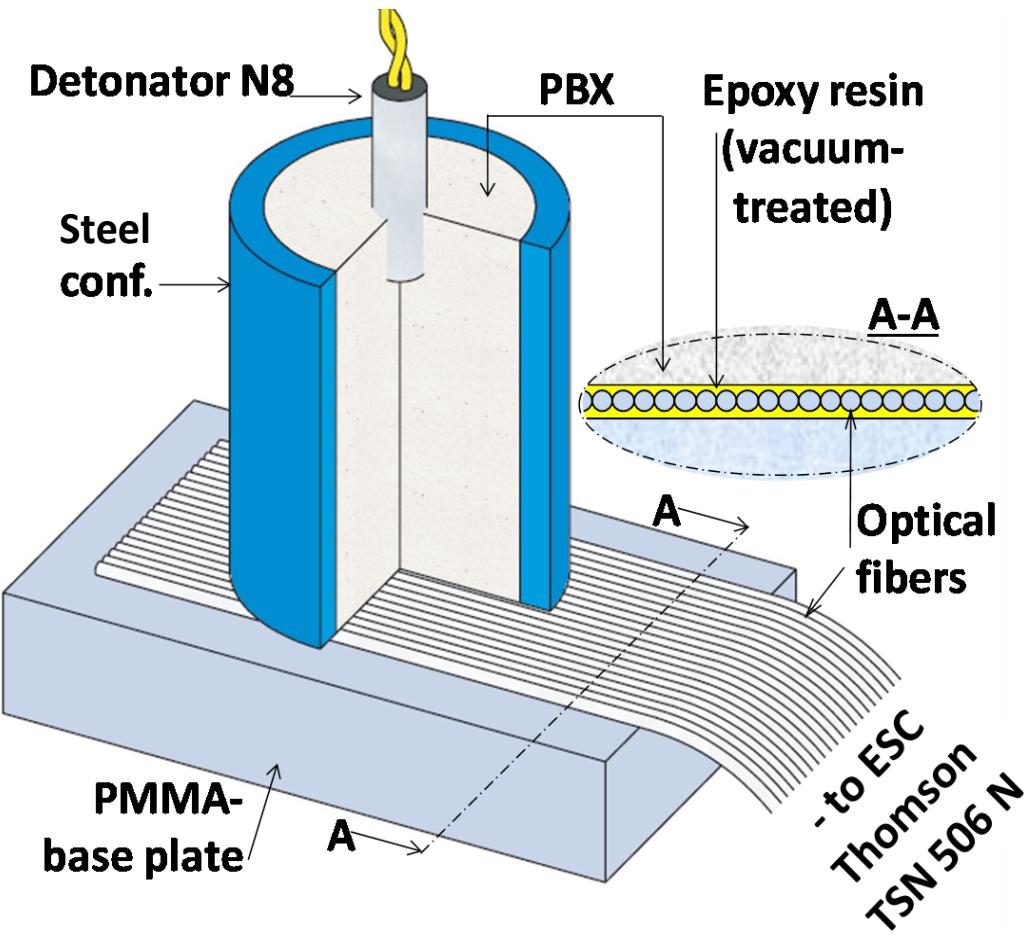
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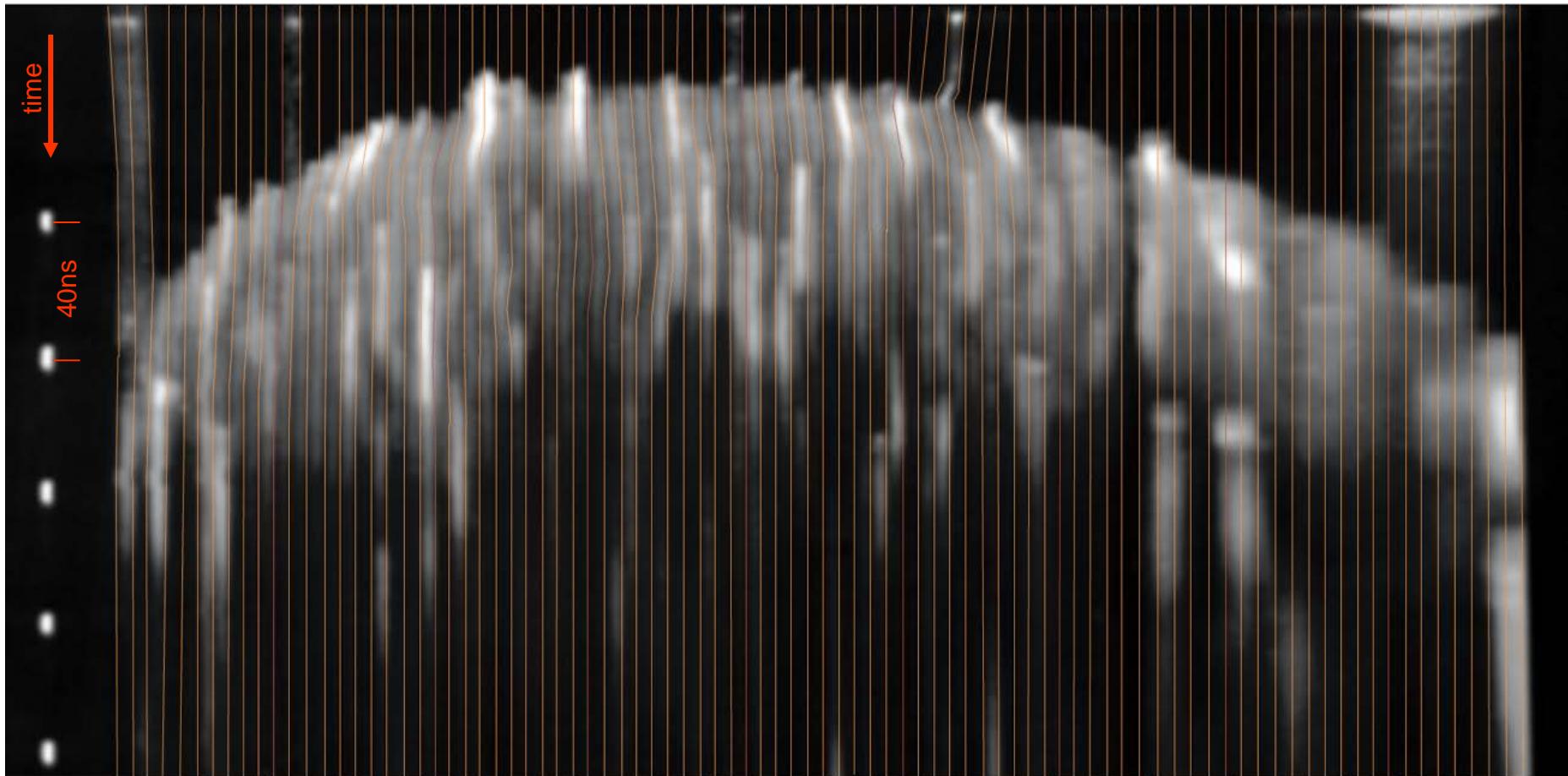
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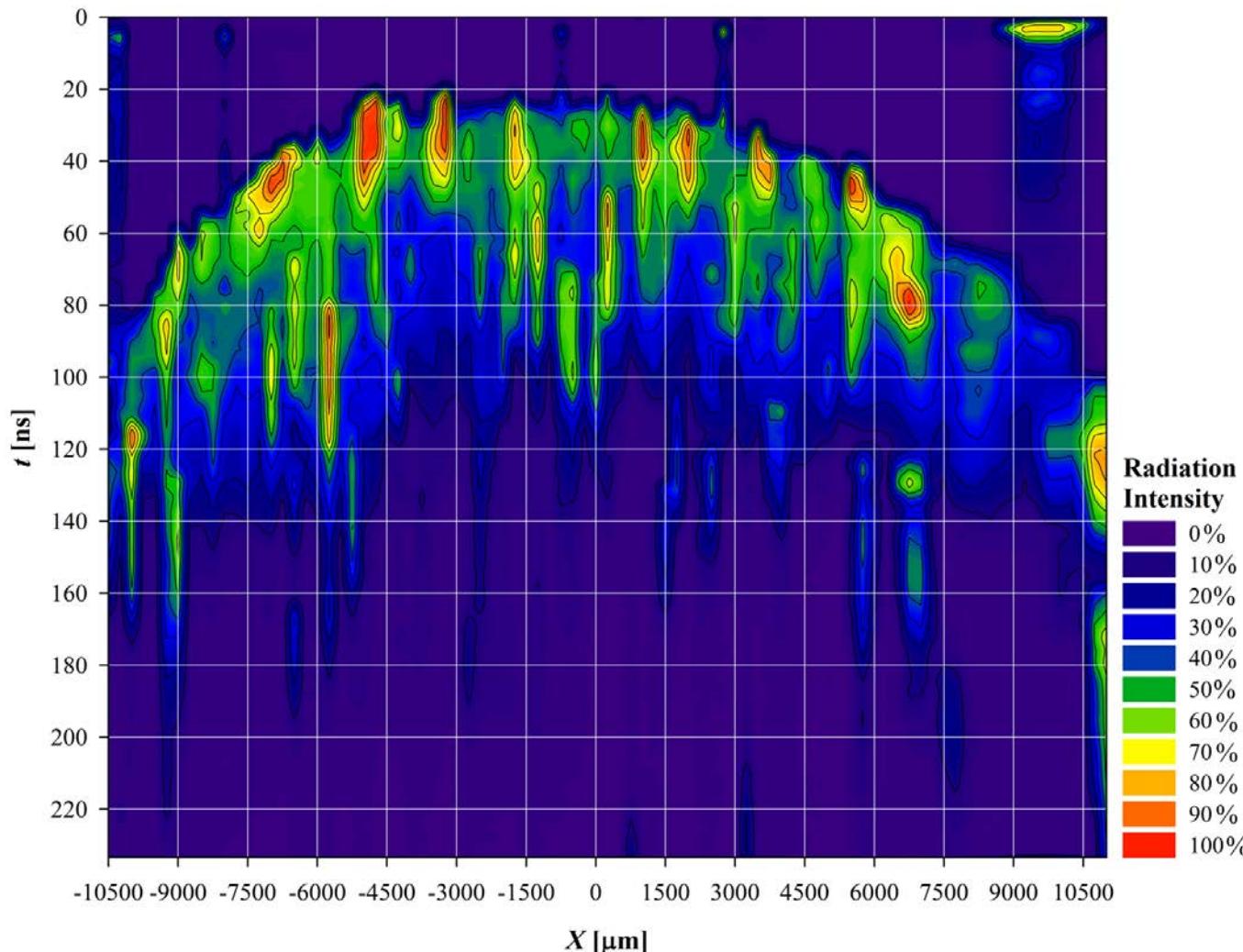
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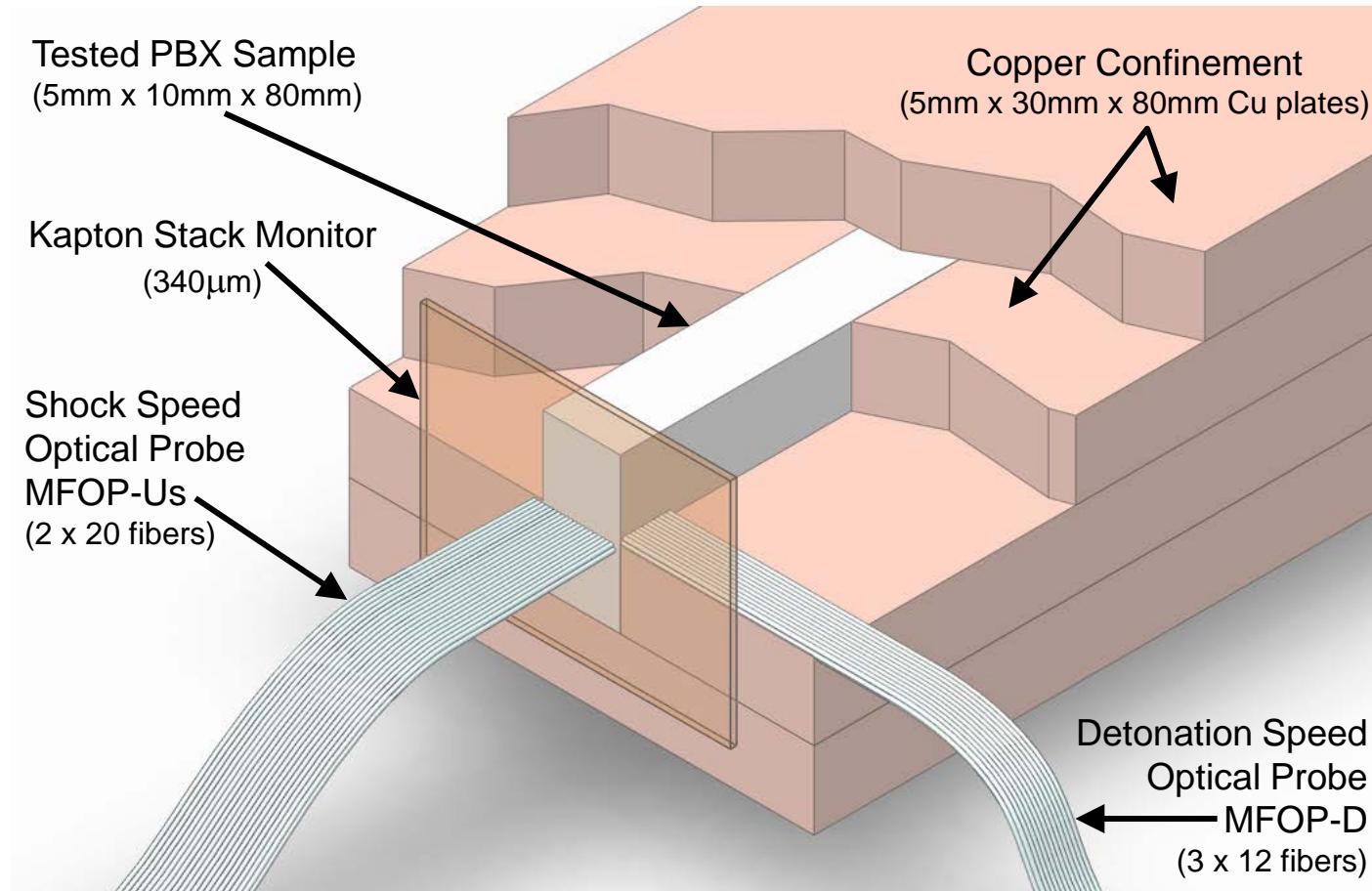
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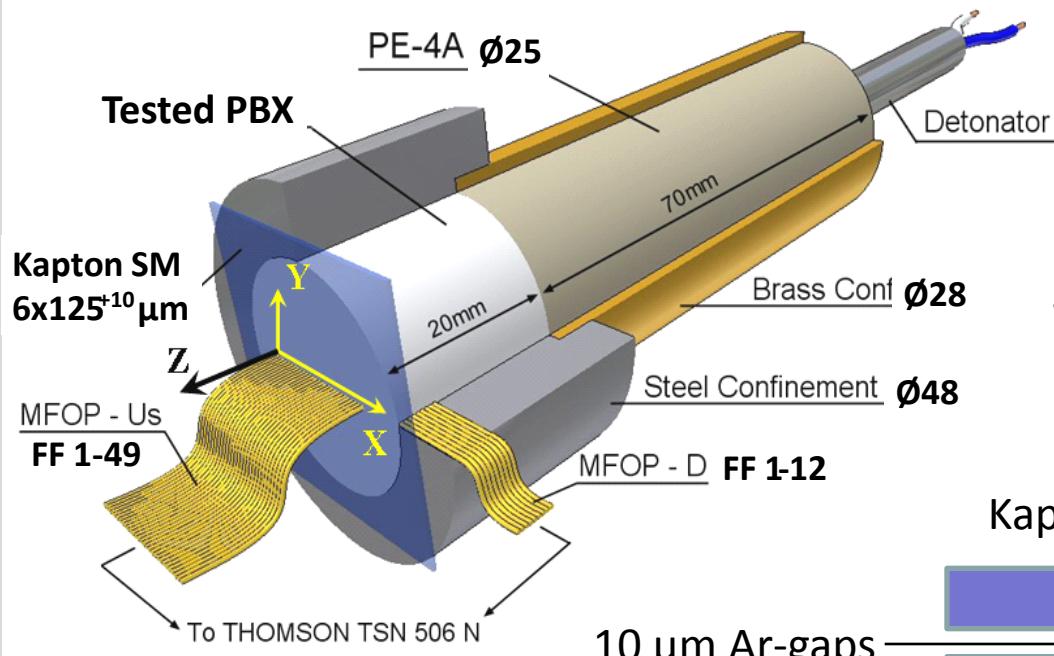


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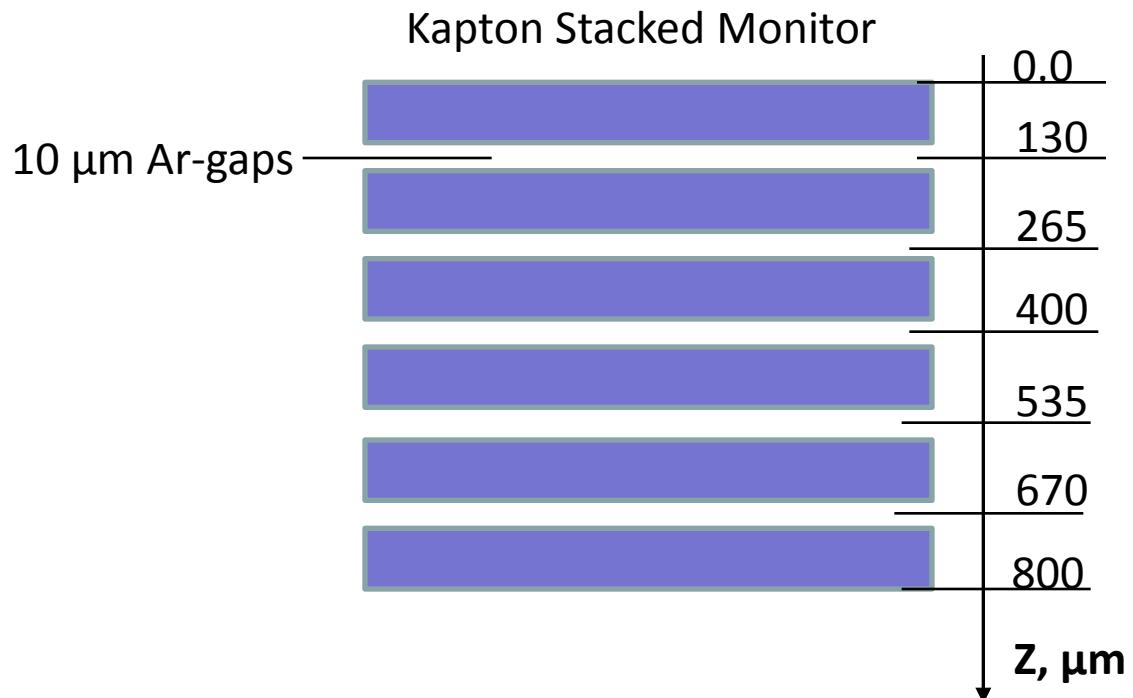


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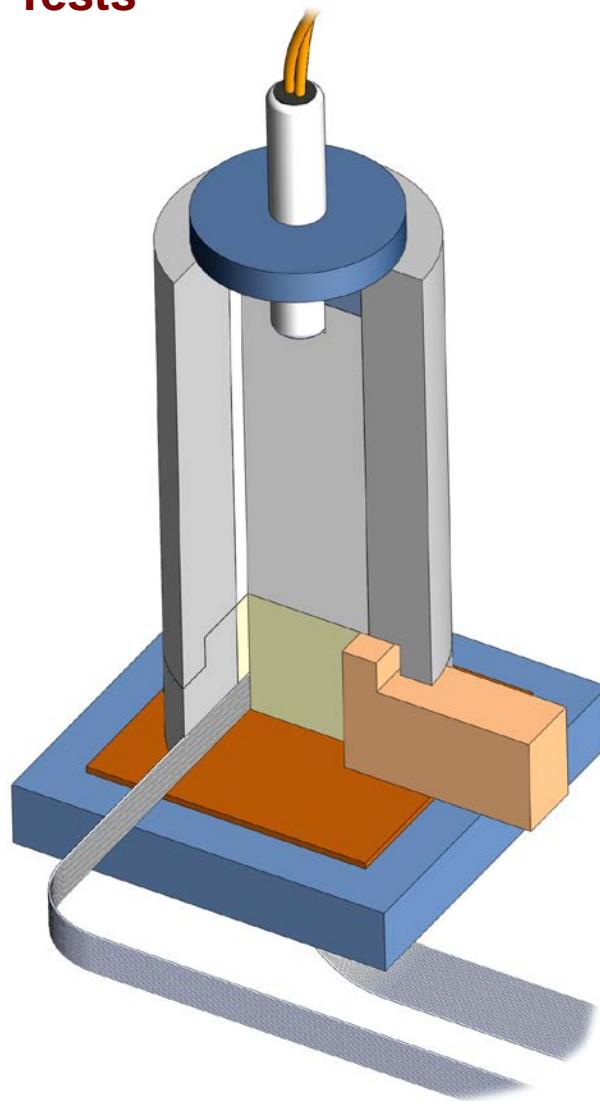
Shock Hugoniot of Kapton:

$$P(Us)_{\text{Kapton}} \approx 3.7 \times (\tanh(4 \times (Us - 6.24) + 1) + 0.5 \times (\tanh(50 \times Us - 125) + 1) \times (1.009 \times Us^2 - 3.118 \times Us + 1.547))$$



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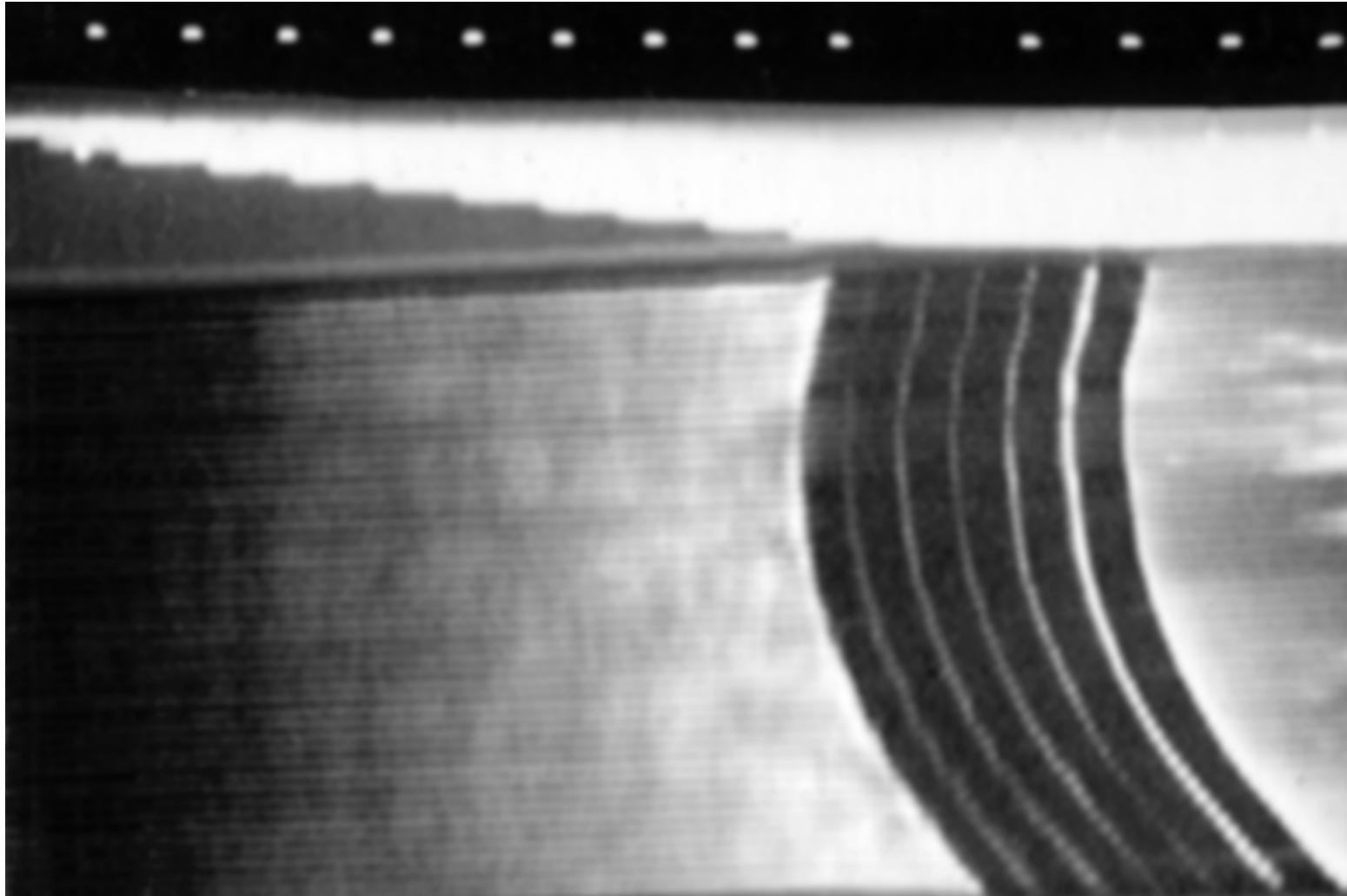
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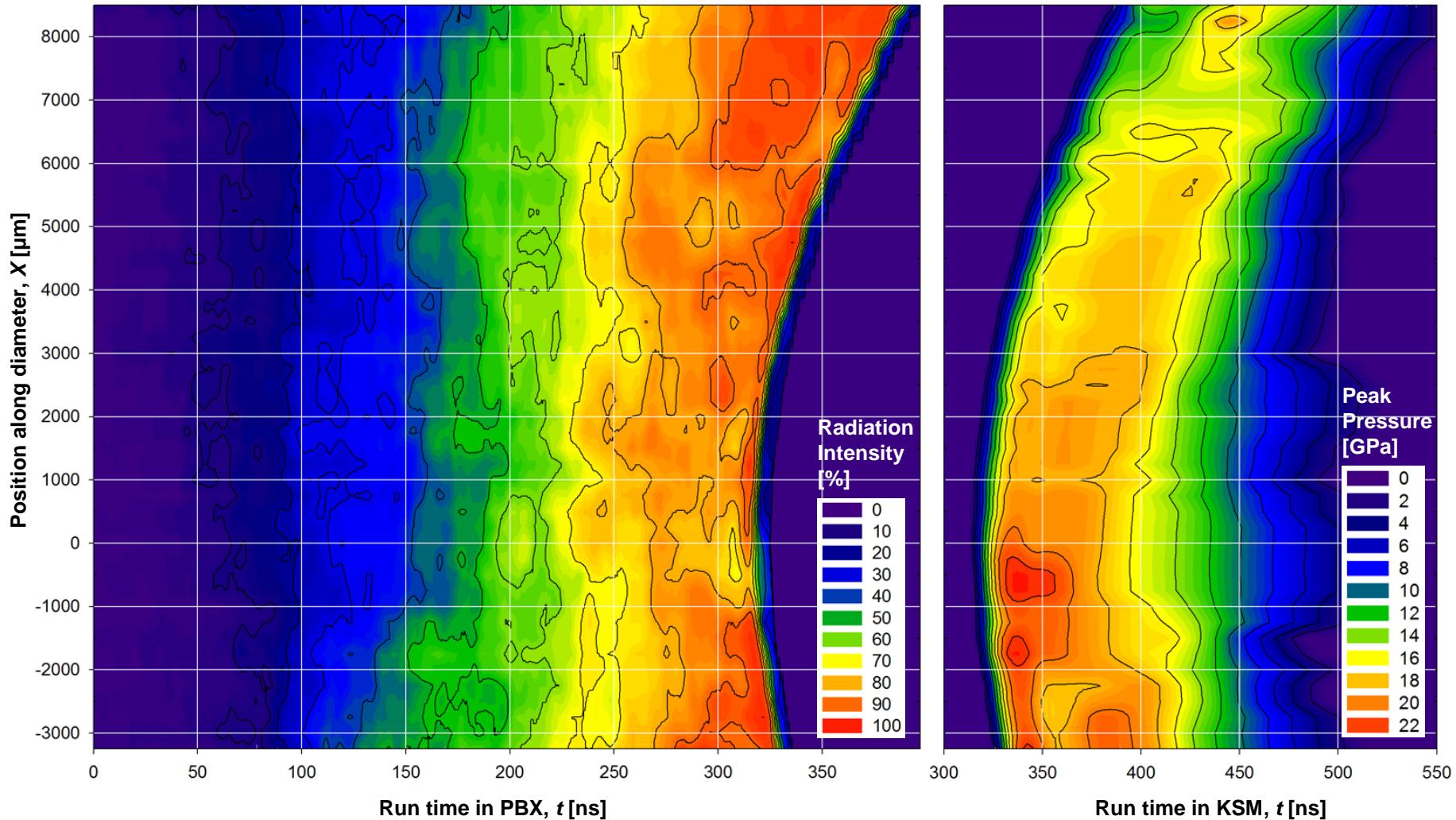
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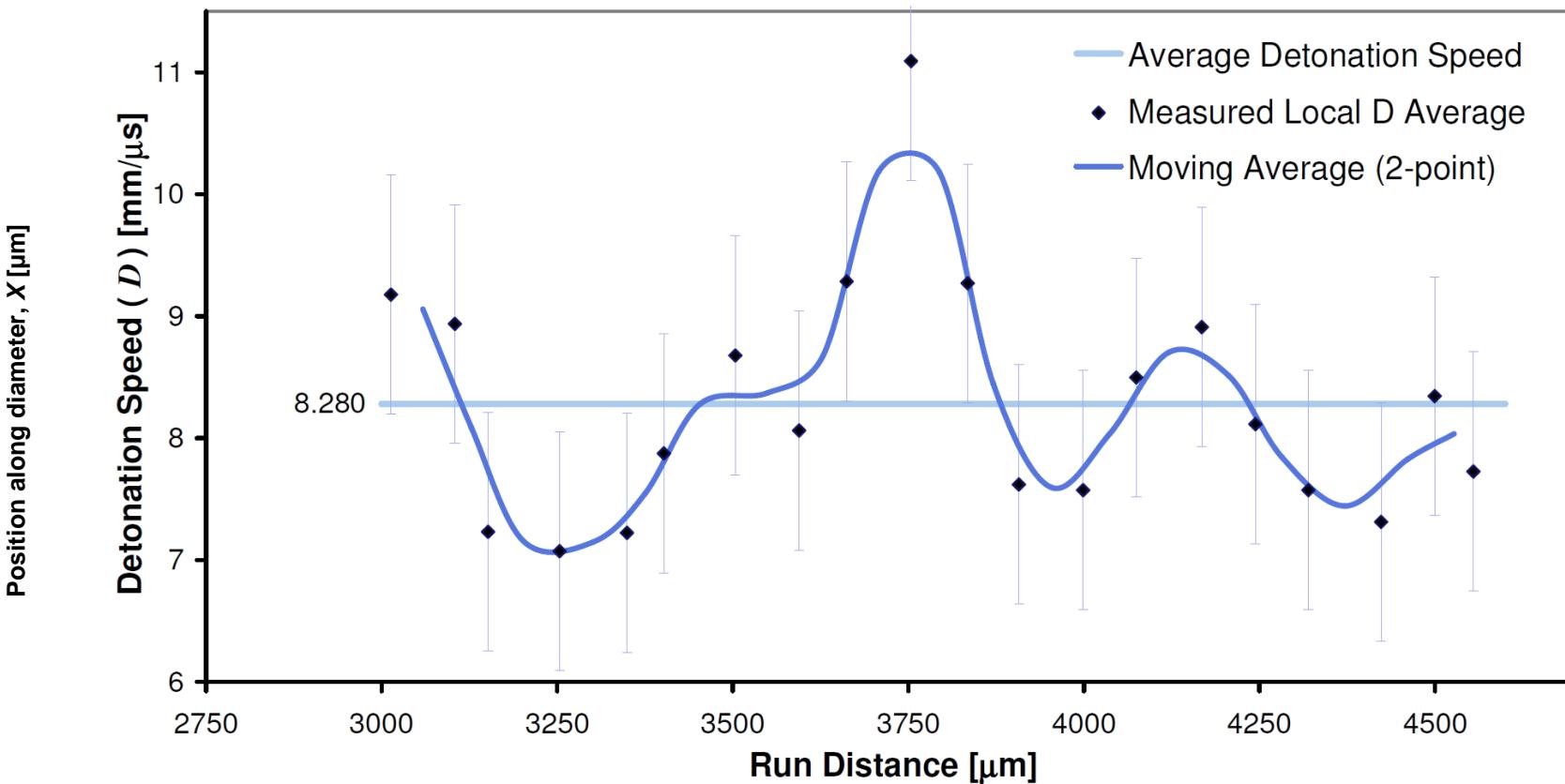
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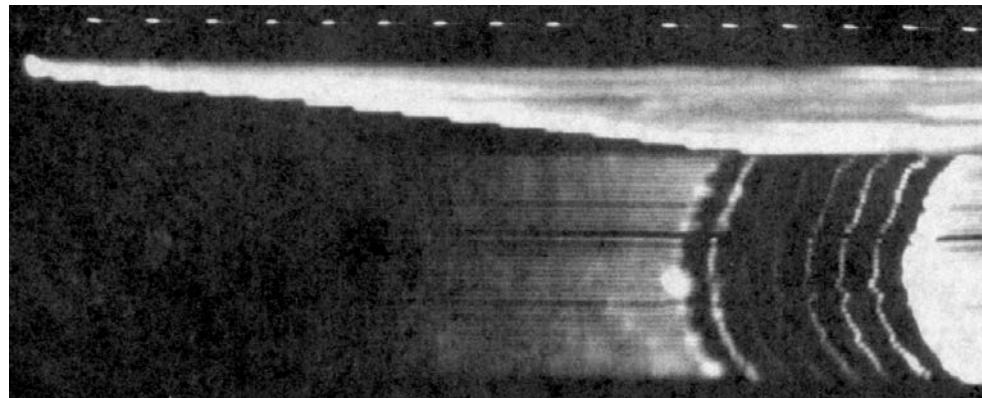
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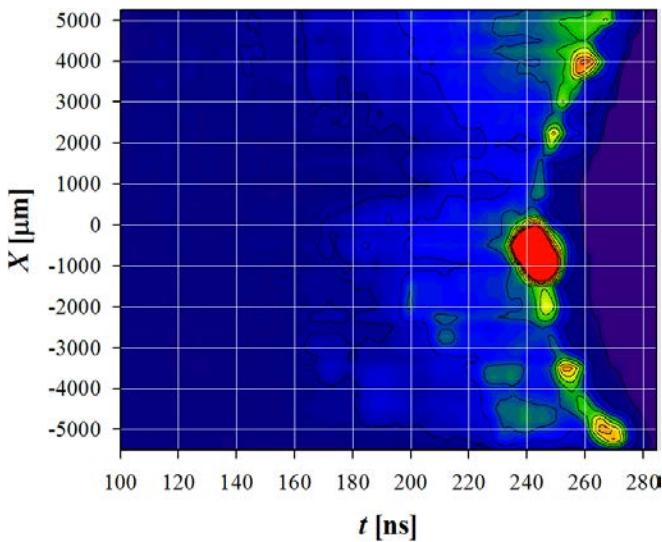
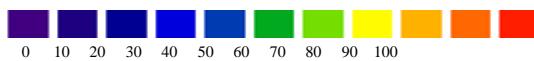


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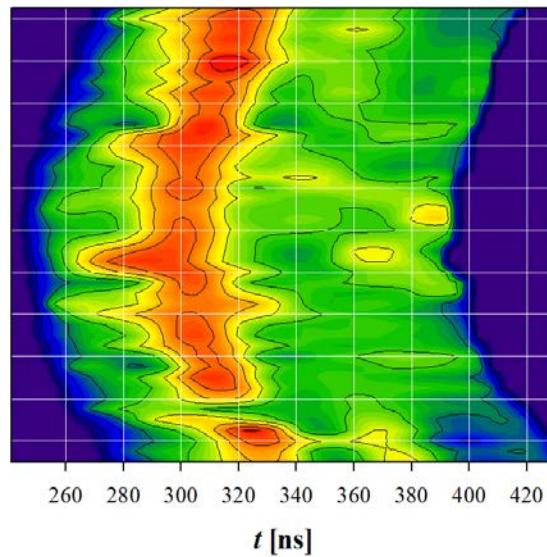
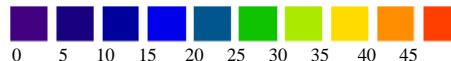
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Radiation Intensity [%]



Pressure in PBX [GPa]

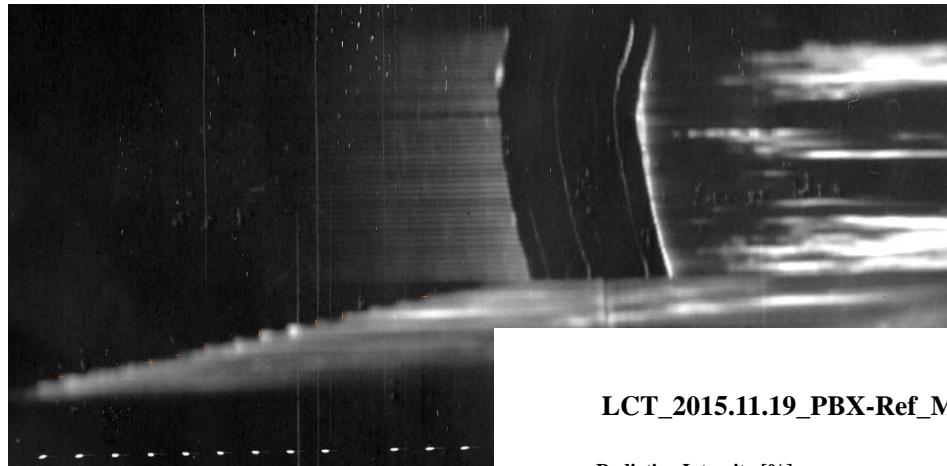


$\rho_0(\text{RS-PBX}) \text{ (g/cm}^3\text{)}$	1.572
D (mm/μs)	7.51
$\rho_0(\text{Kapton}) \text{ (g/cm}^3\text{)}$	1.414

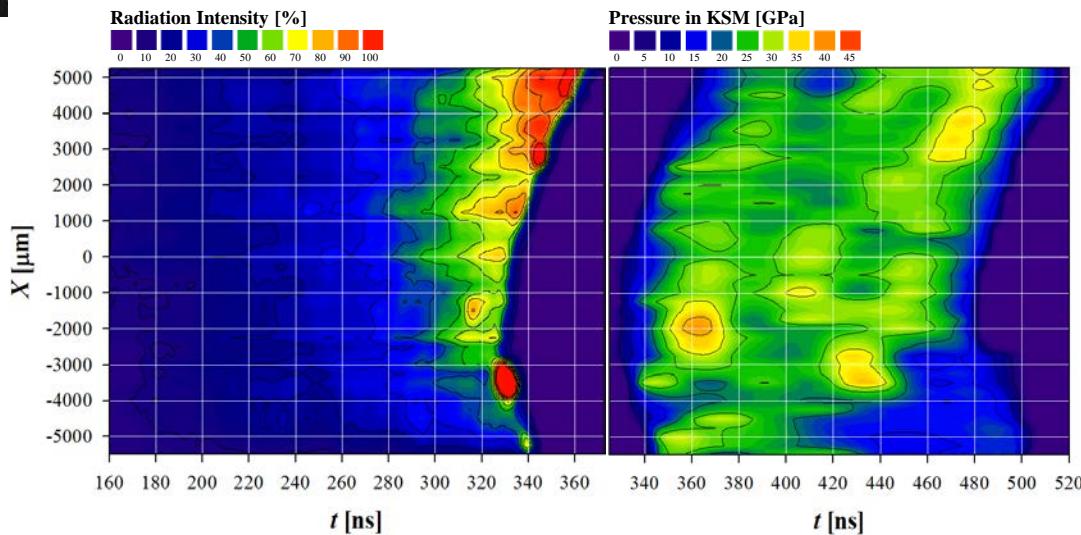
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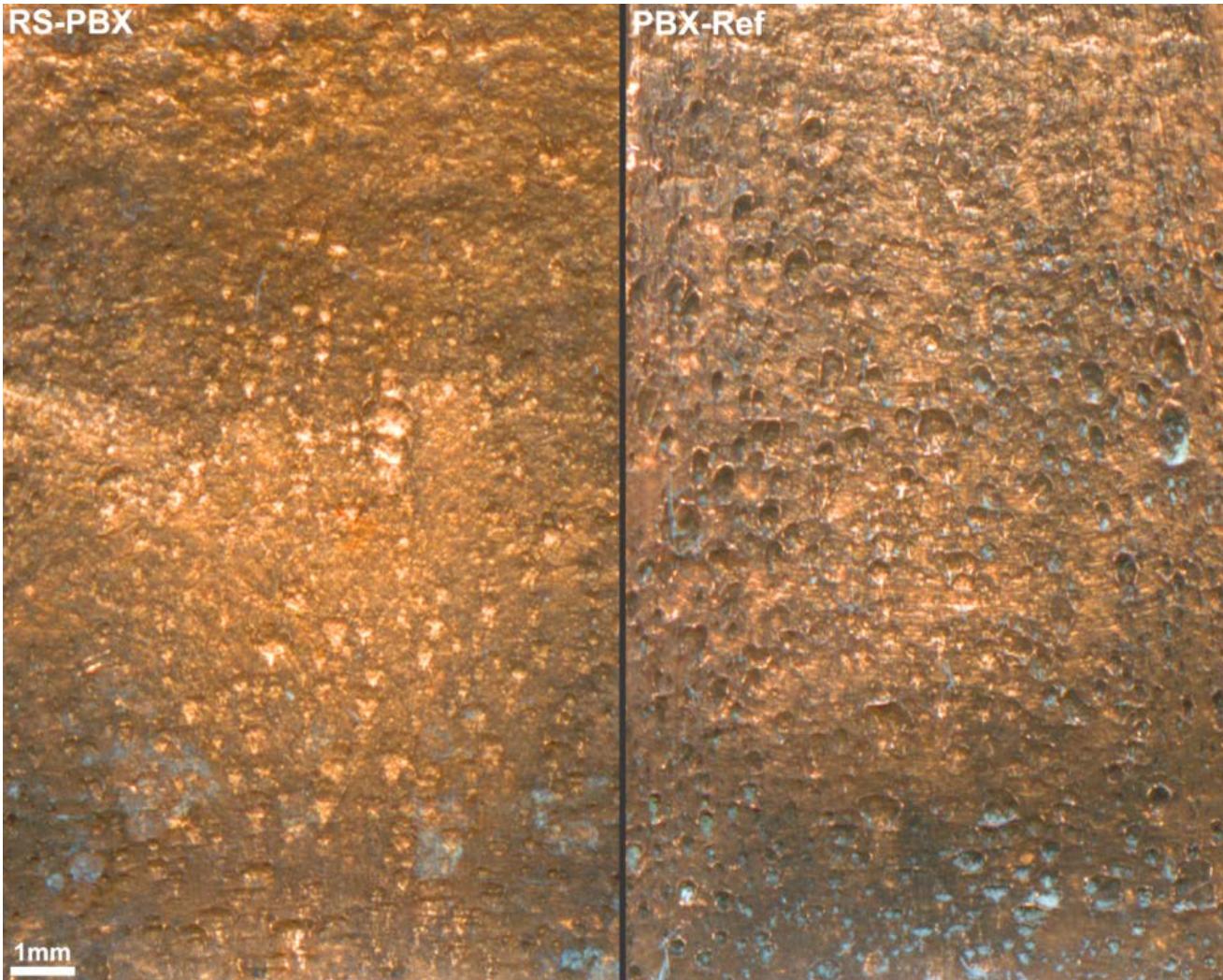
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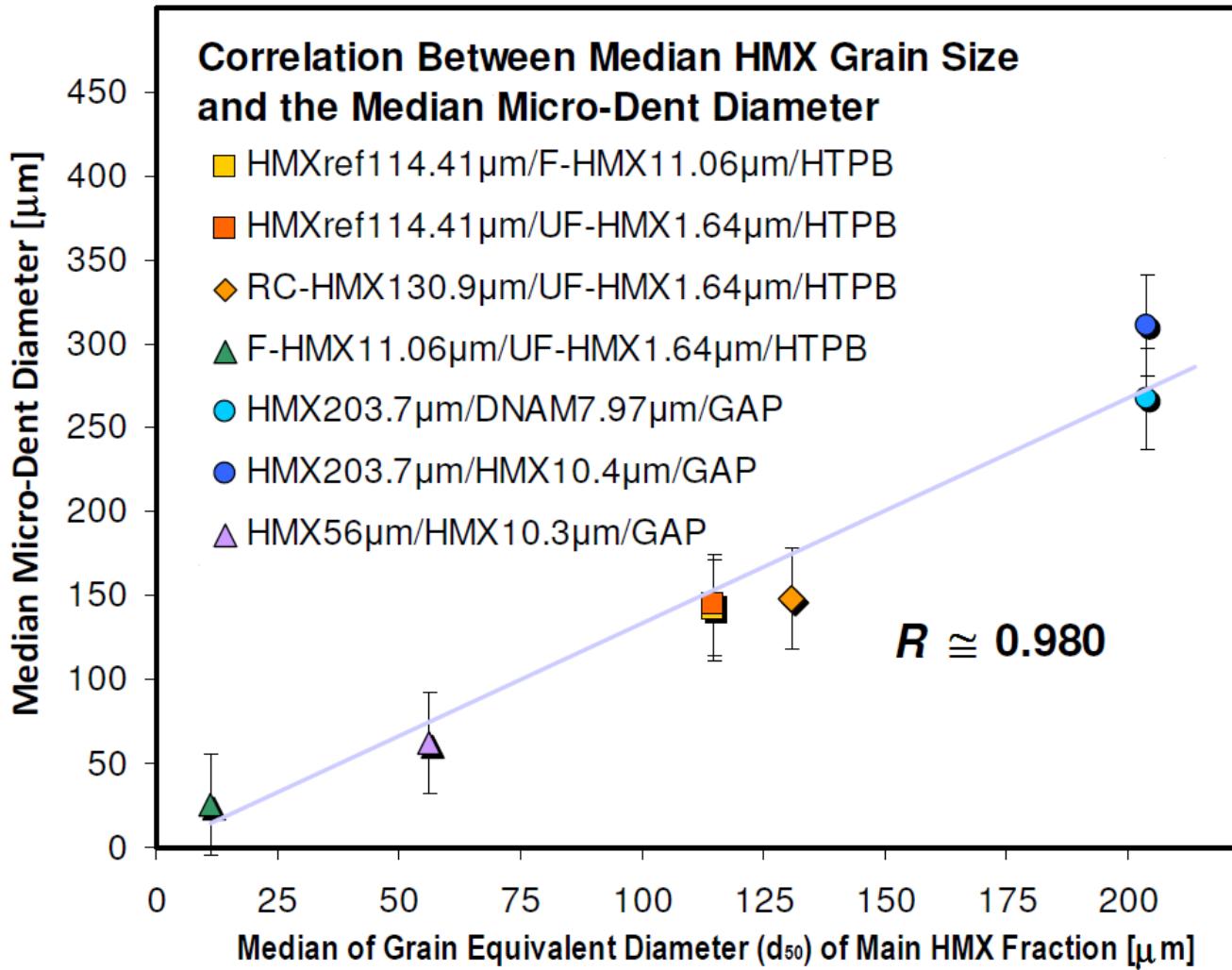
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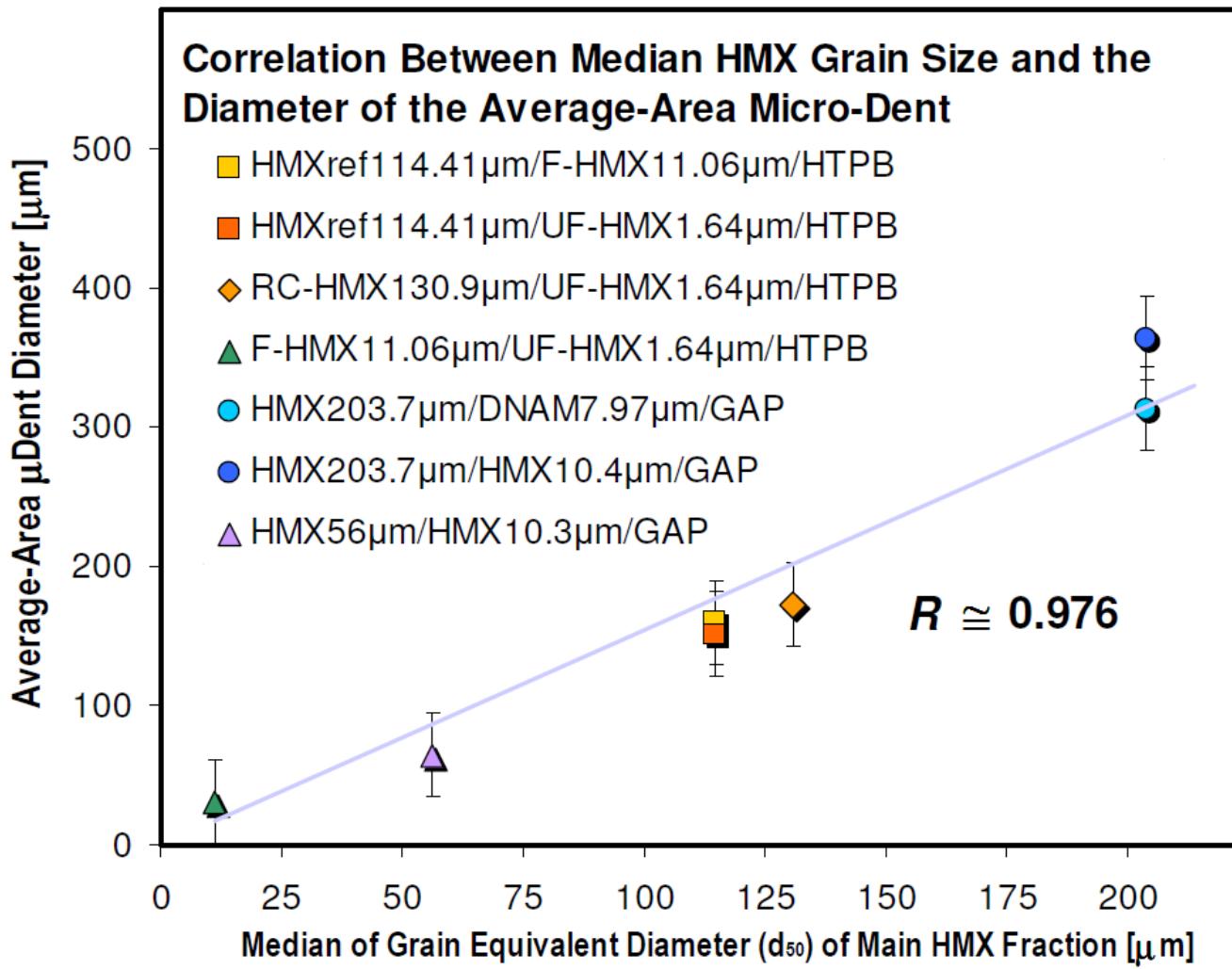
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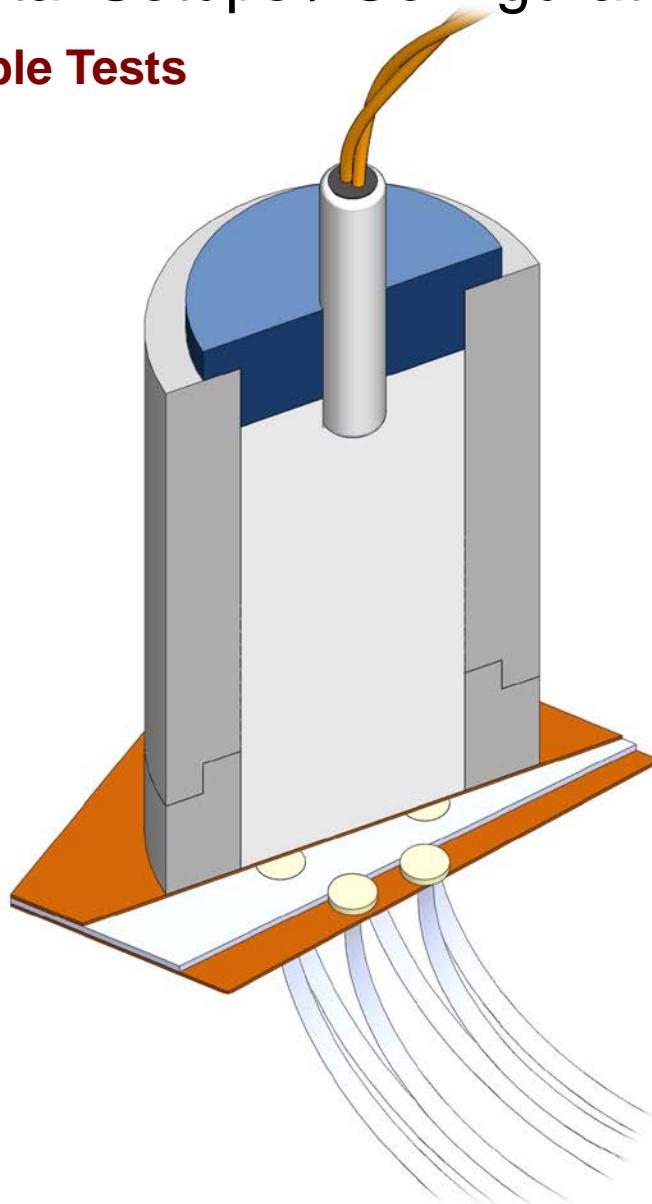
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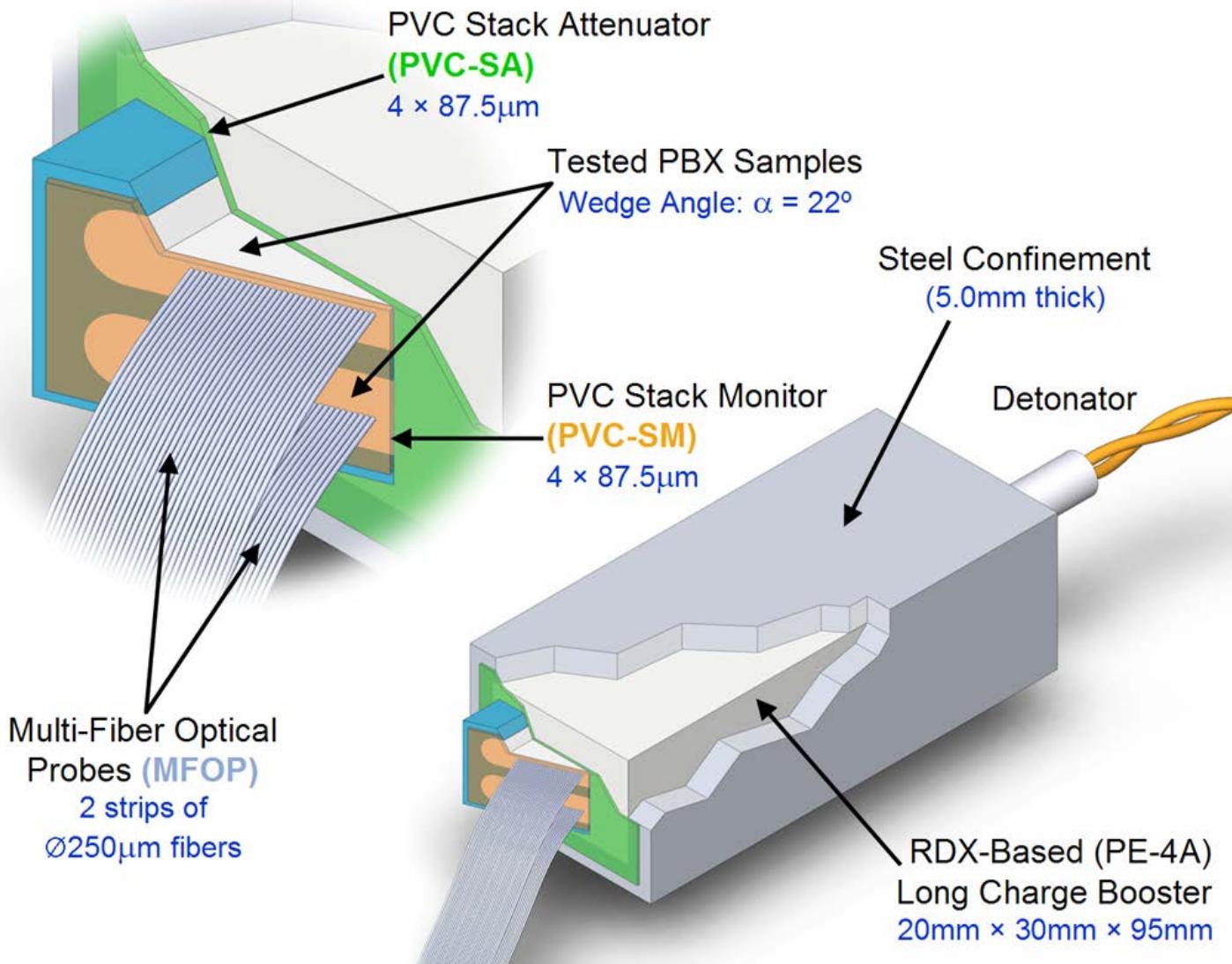
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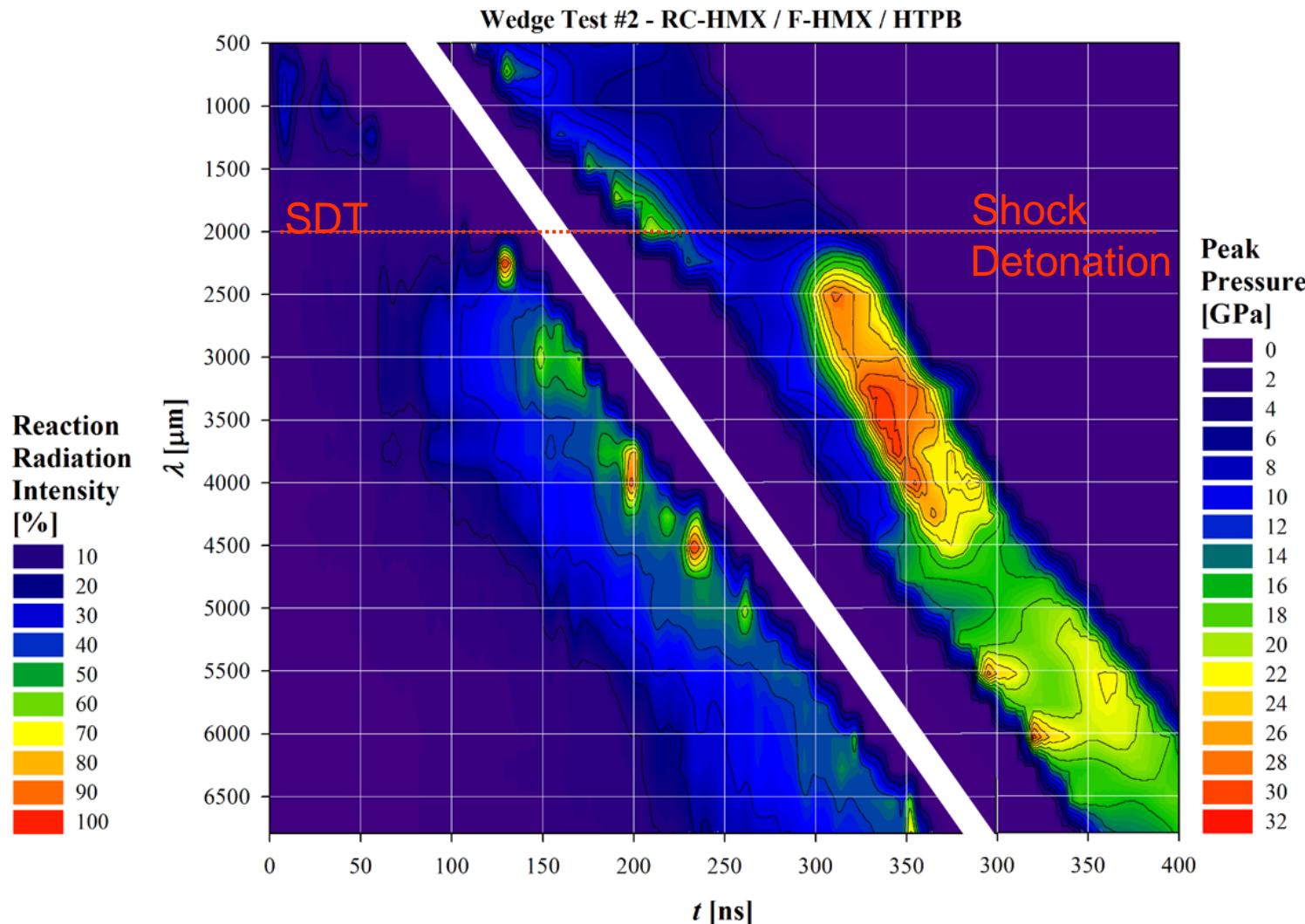
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2.4. Wedge Tests



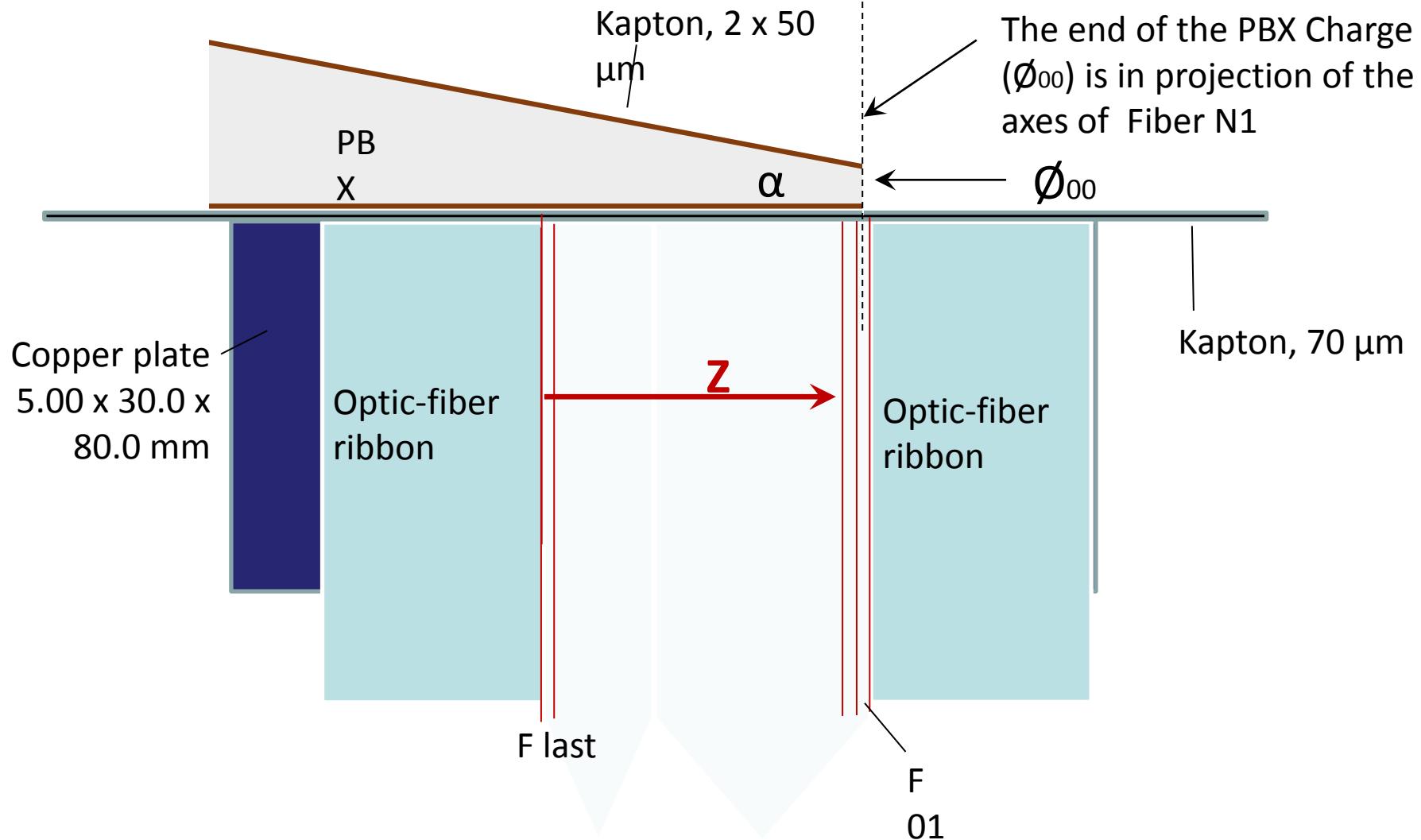
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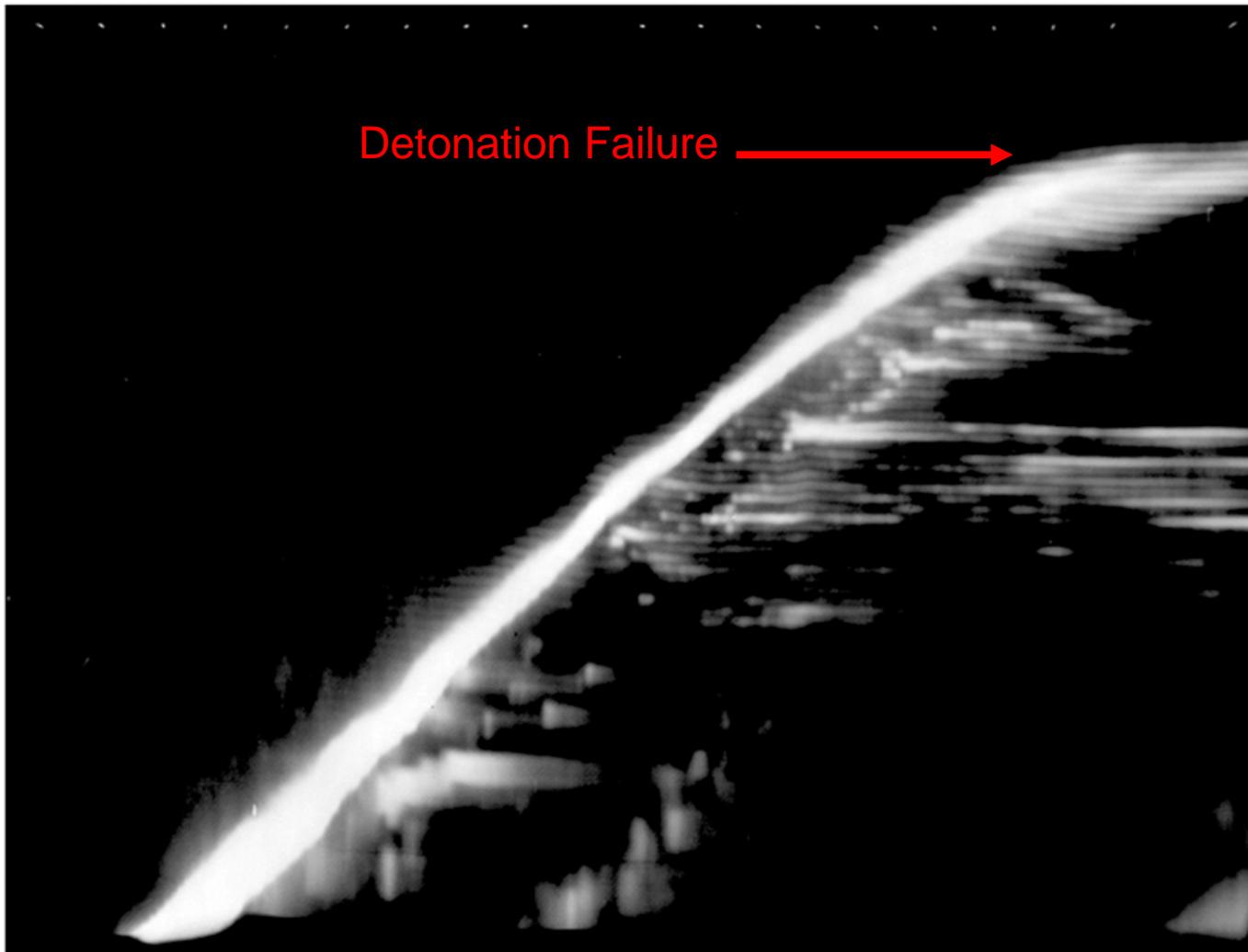
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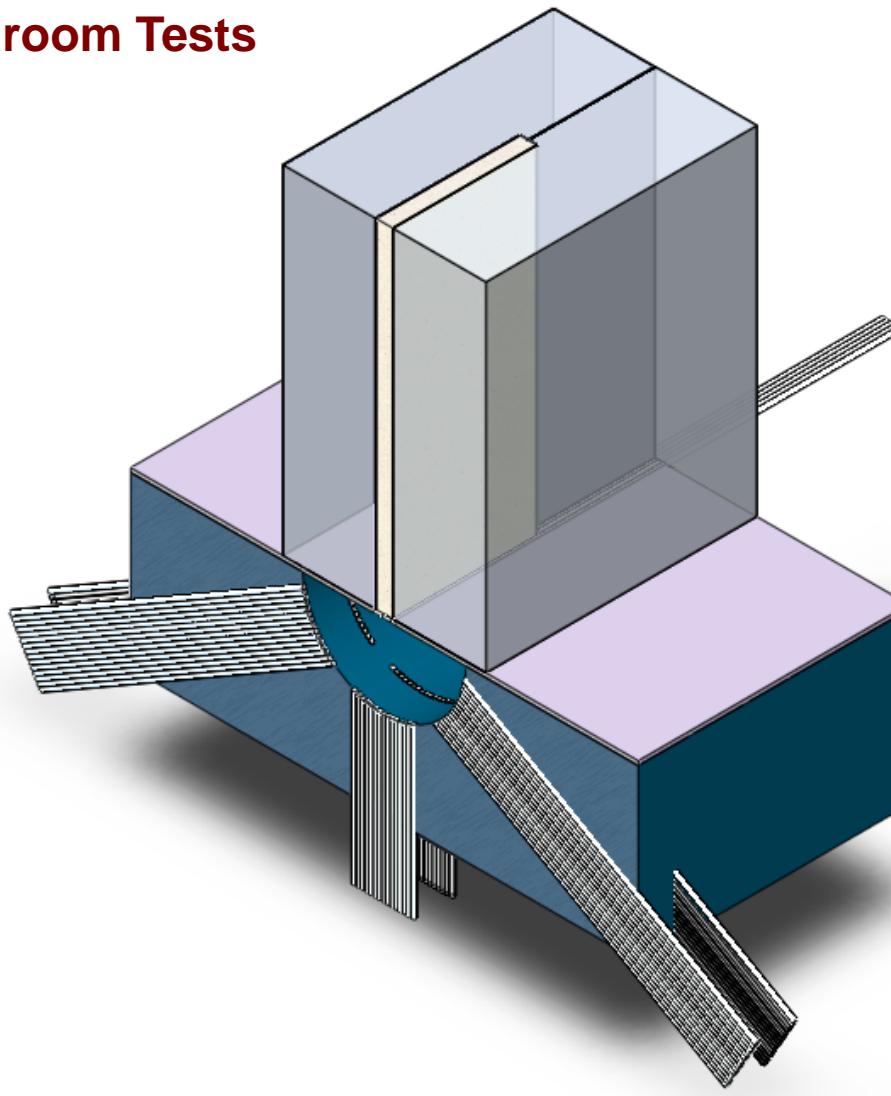
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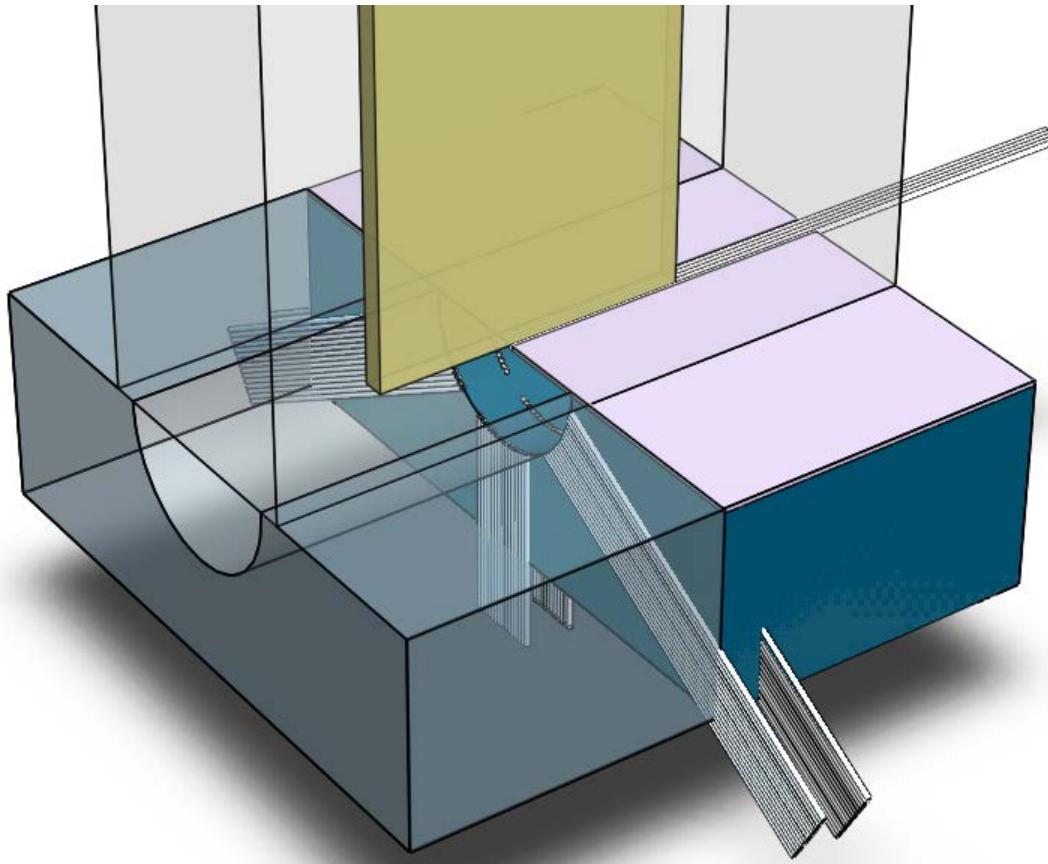
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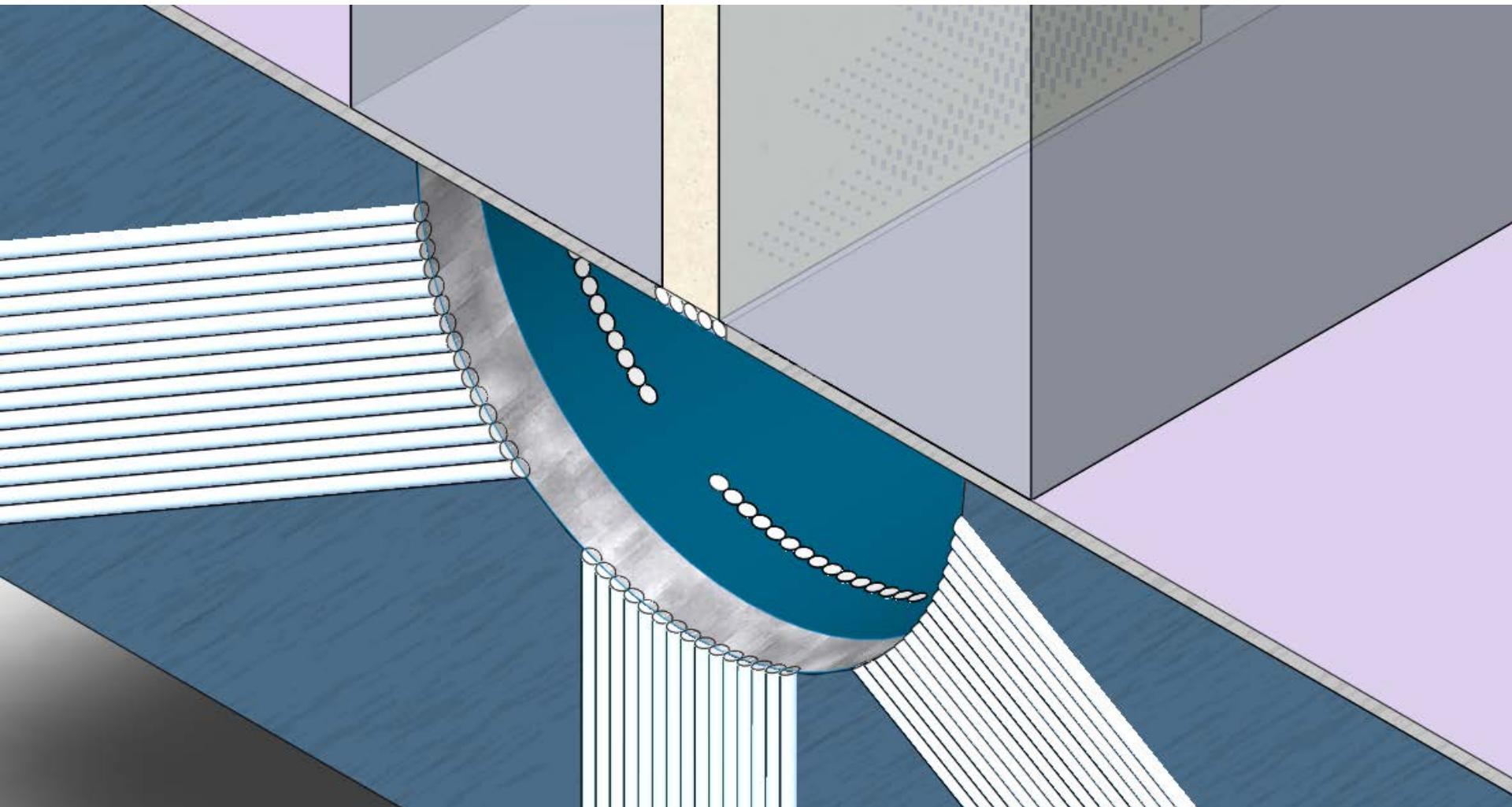
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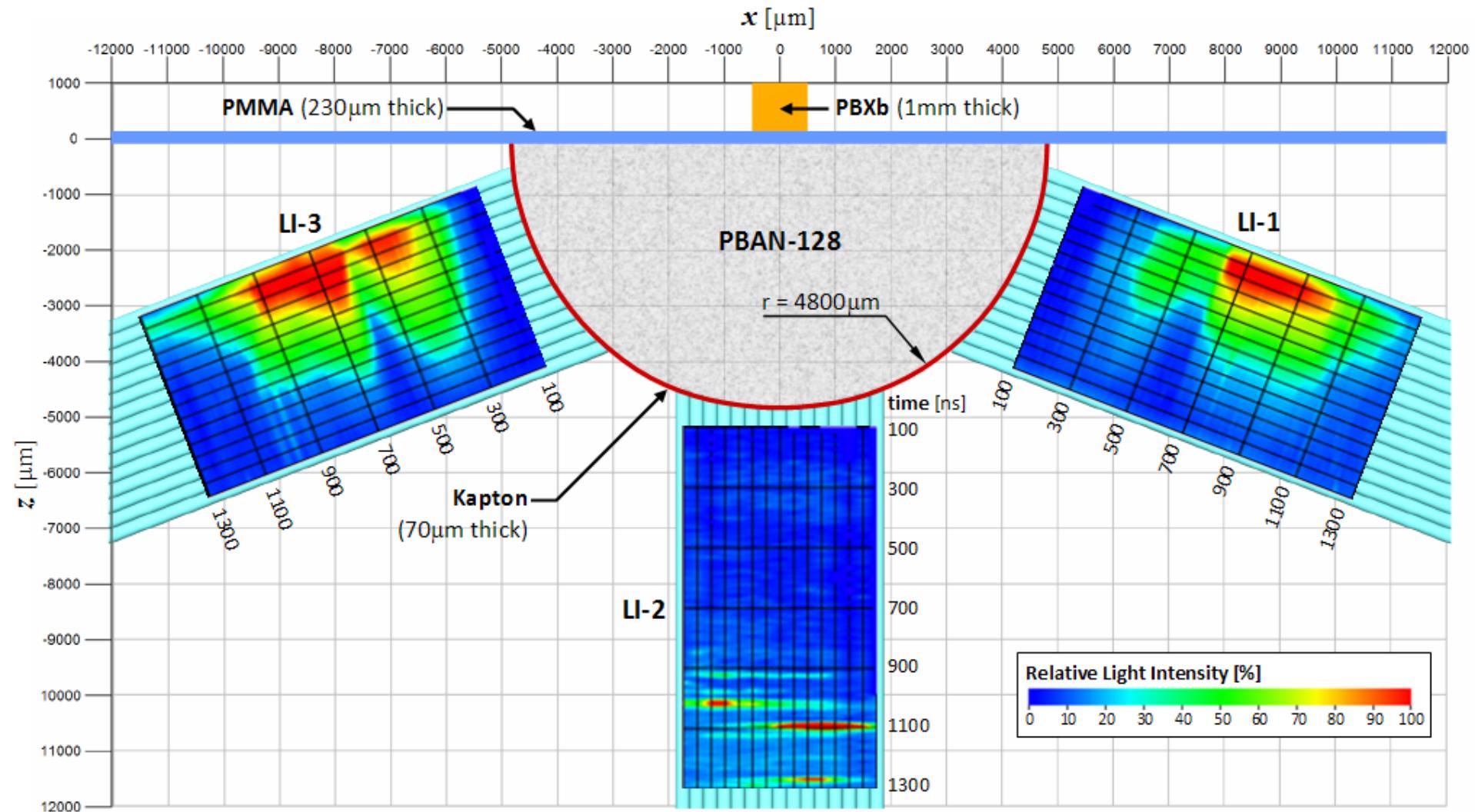
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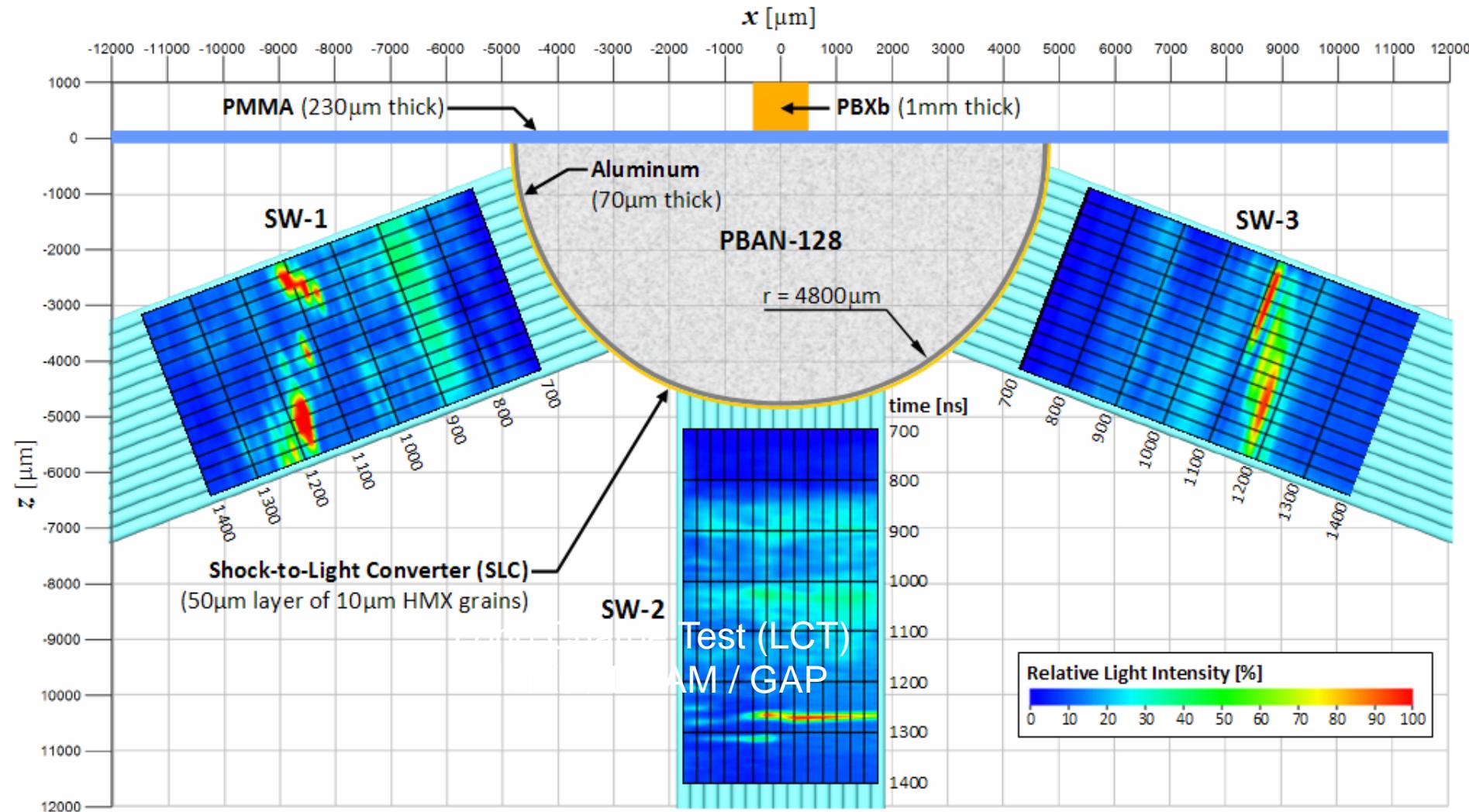
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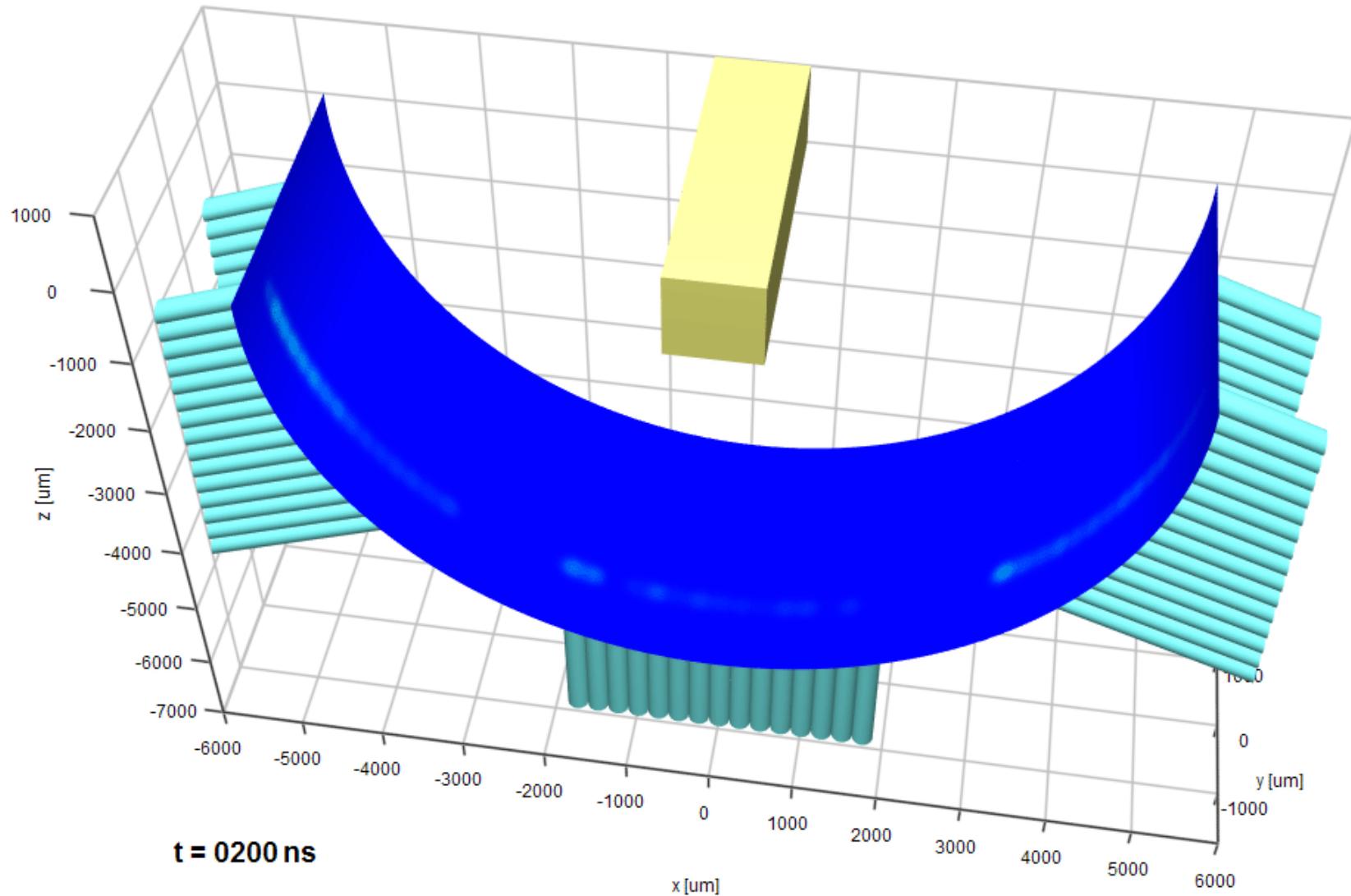
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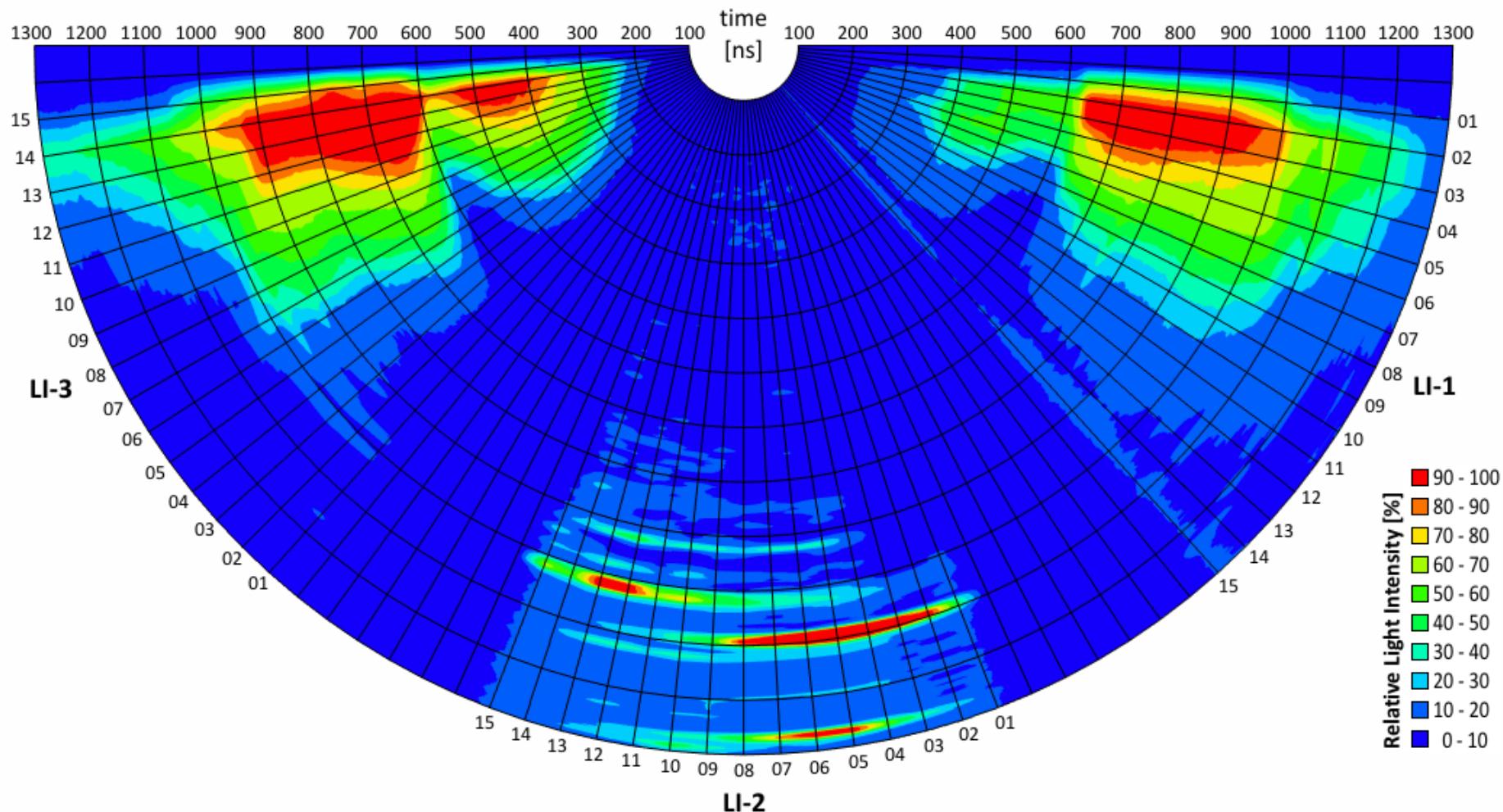
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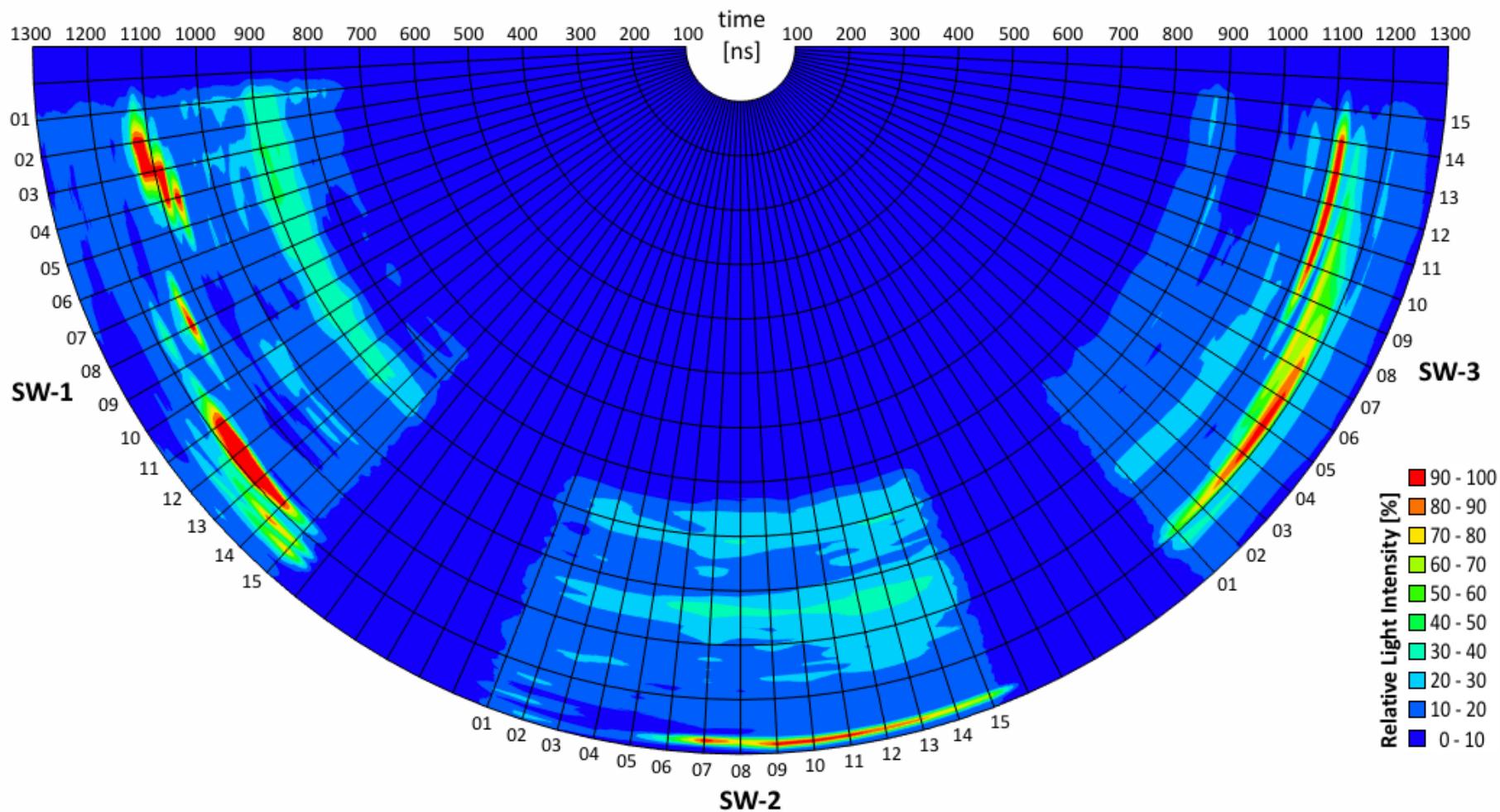
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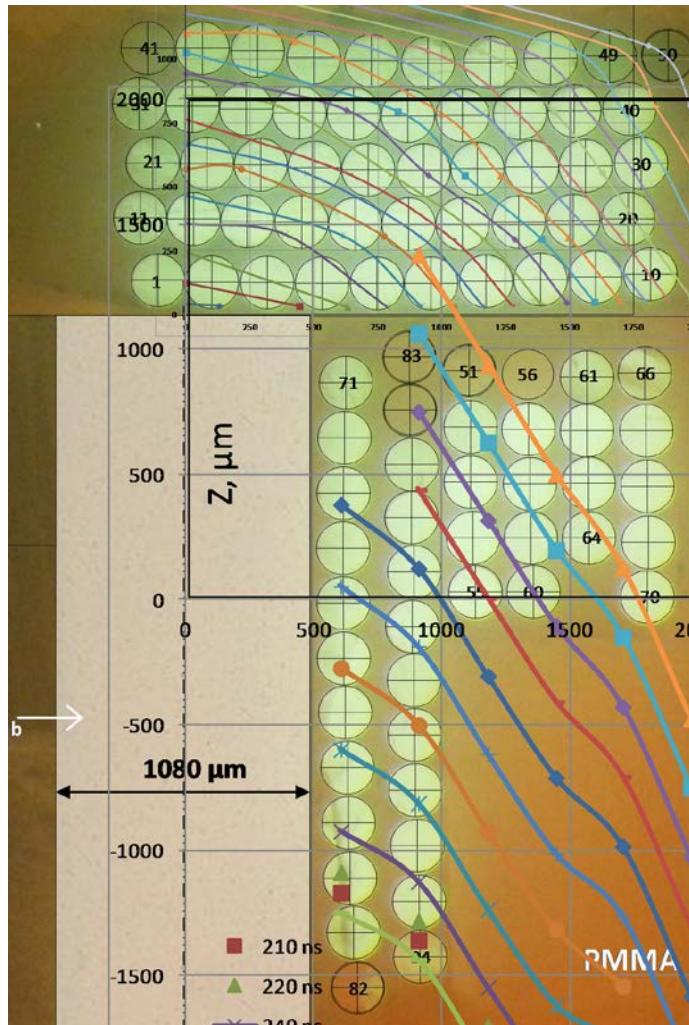
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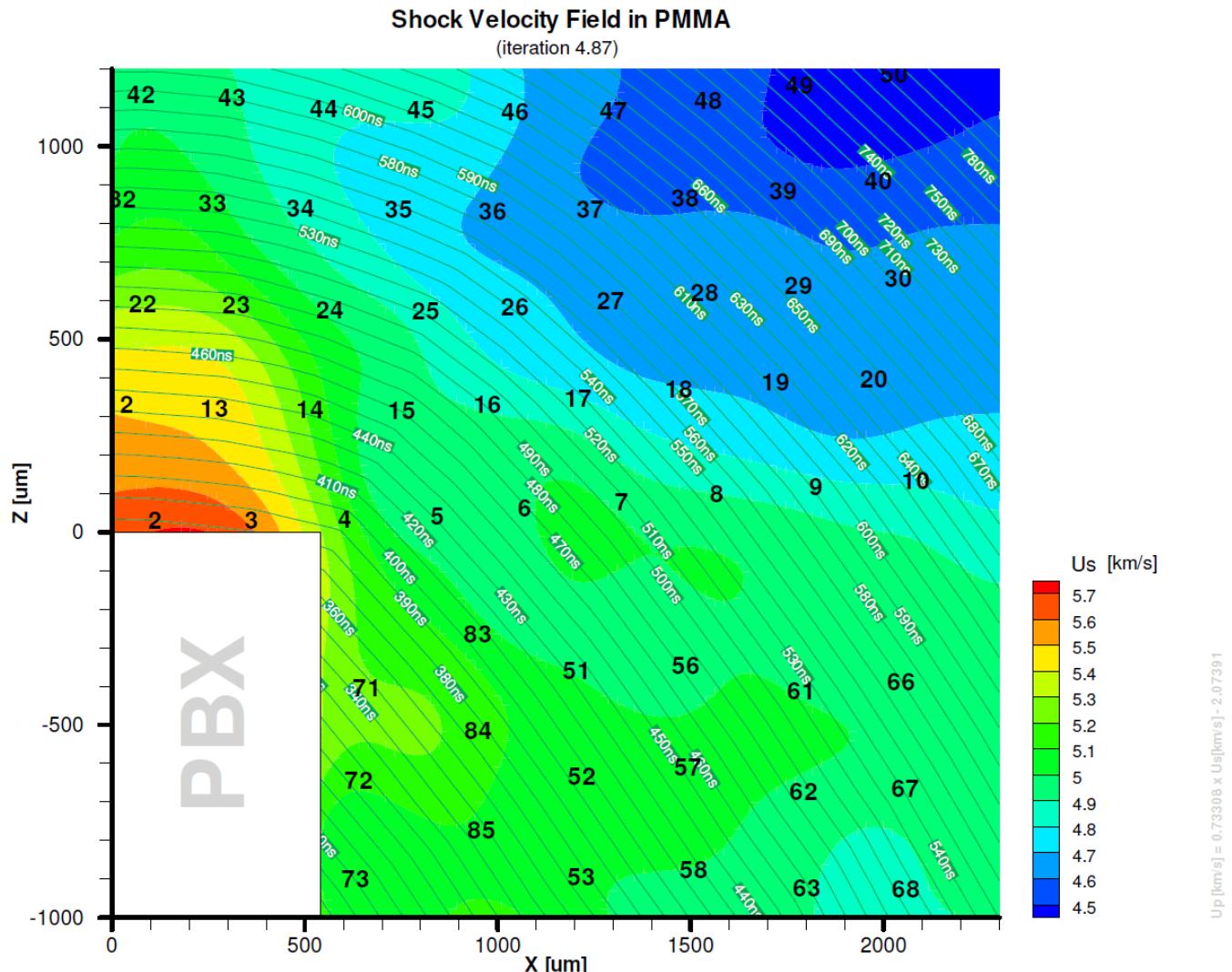
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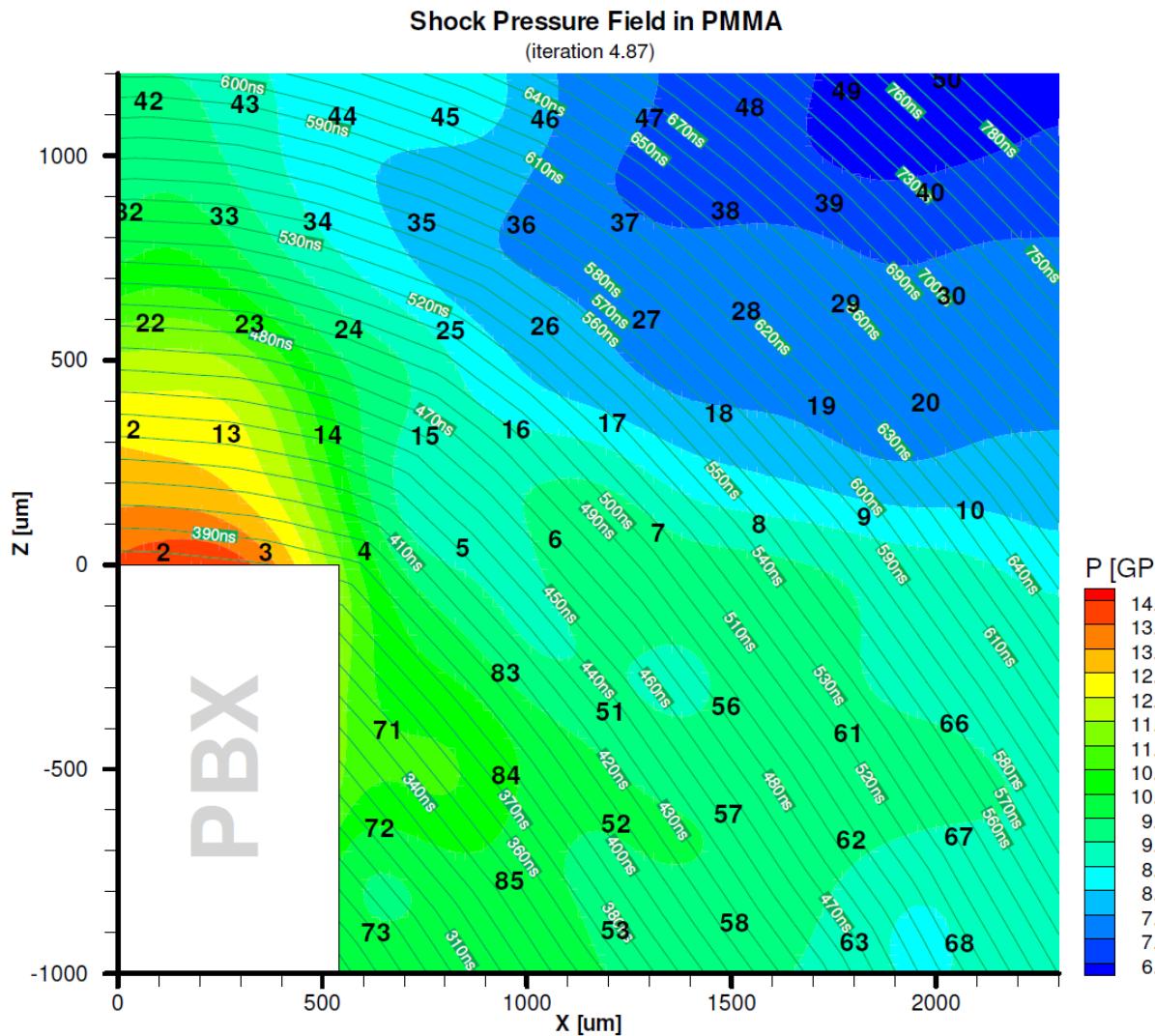
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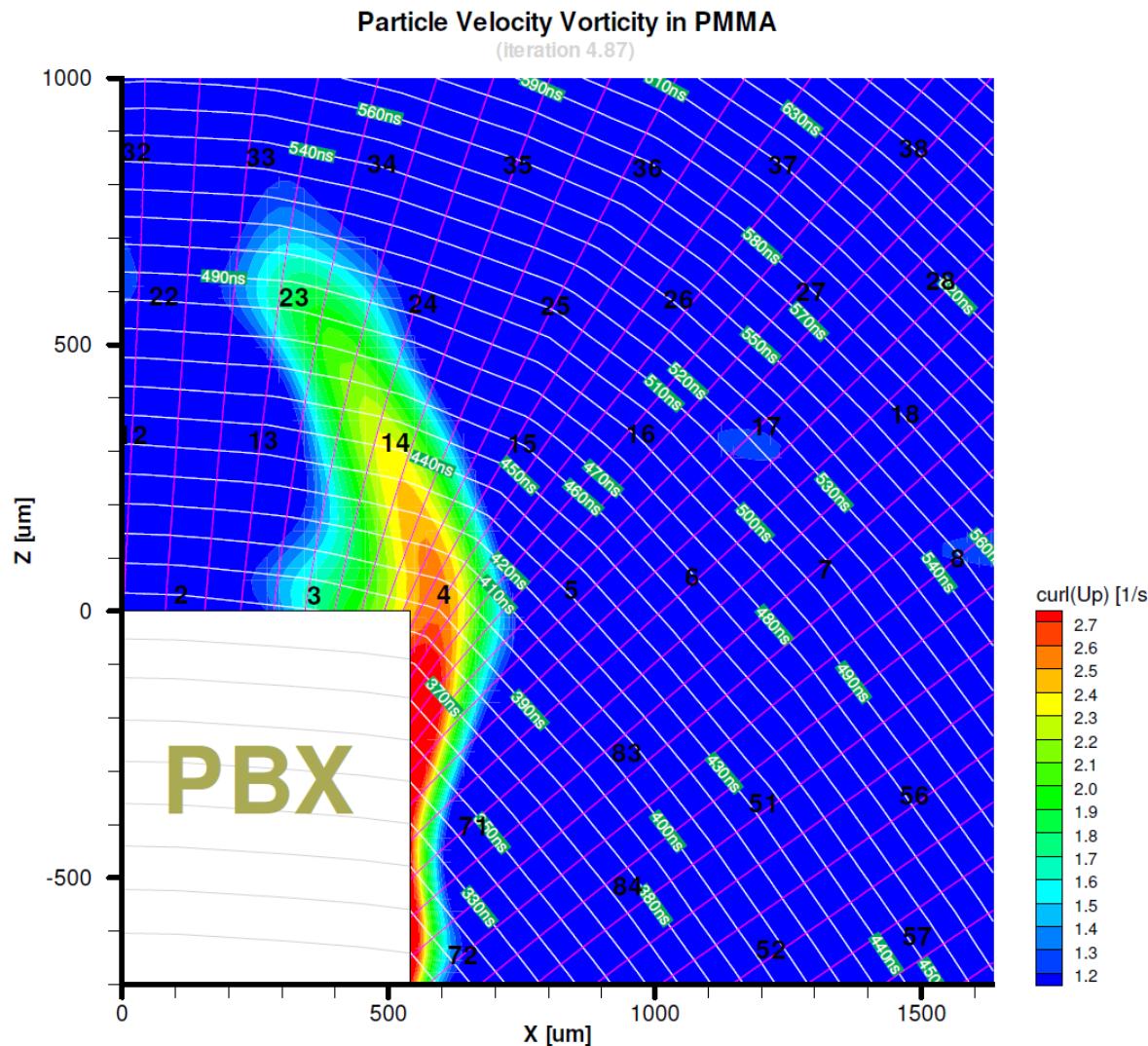
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3. Main Conclusions

- Non-ideal behaviour at sub-millimeter scales
- Classical Models not applicable
- Non-Steady State Detonation Propagation
- Perturbations of Detonation Velocity
- Detonation Propagates Non-Continuously (local reaction domains/cells and “hotspots”)
- Evidence of Significant Perturbations in Reaction Intensity and Induced Pressure Fields
- Detonation Front Roughness
- Non-uniform Acceleration of Liners
- Roughness Inprint on Witness Plates
- Implications for practical applications (explosive welding, shock compaction/sintering, shaped-charges, etc...)