## Experiments to probe warm dense matter conditions for planetary science

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## Outline

- Planetary core conditions: what and why?
- Laboratory techniques
  - Dynamic compression techniques
  - Drivers & facilities
  - Diagnostics
- Survey of recent results
- Summary

## Core conditions in planets reach multi-Mbar pressures at moderate temperatures



**Neptune: central pressures** 8 Mbar and temperatures ~5000 K



Jupiter: central pressures ~77 Mbar and temperatures ~16000 K

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# Understanding planetary interiors depends on theoretical models

- Planetary models are constructions based on a combination of theory and observation
- A few basic parameters are known:
  - Mass, radius, luminosity, and some gravitational moments, B-field, surface composition
- Interior models depend on our knowledge of the high pressure phase diagrams of the abundant elements and their compounds (H, He, C, O, N, Mg, Si, Fe etc.)
  - Equation of state gives density profile
  - Conductivity and metallic transitions magnetic dynamo models
  - Phase transitions?
    - Introduce new complications in the structure and transport mechanisms





## **Extra-Solar Transiting Planets**

More than 500 known planets, most do not match planet evolution models



EOS models important to infer compositions from mass-radius relationships



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## Laboratory dynamic compression techniques to reach core conditions

- Shock waves
- Ramp compression techniques
- Dynamic compression facilities
- Hybrid techniques

## **Shock compression technique**

Rankine-Hugoniot relations (conservation laws):

$$\frac{\rho}{\rho_0} = \frac{u_s}{u_s - u_p} \qquad \text{[mass]}$$

$$P - P_0 = \rho_0 u_s u_p \qquad \text{[momentum]}$$

$$E - E_0 = \frac{1}{2} P(\frac{1}{\rho_0} - \frac{1}{\rho}) \quad \text{[energy]}$$

Impulsive load





- 5 parameters (*P*,  $\rho$ , *E*,  $u_s$ ,  $u_p$ ) and 3 equations
  - need measure two parameters to determine the rest
  - We measure velocities  $\rightarrow$  infer P,  $\rho$ , E
  - Temperature has to be determined independently



## **Shock wave data sets**



## Ramp compression

## Apply a time-varying load to the sample

 Fundamental measurement ansatz: thermodynamic state is a function of the particle speed





### Continuous compression follows a quasi-isentropic path



## Ramp compression keeps the sample solid at high pressure



## Ramp compression experiments yield quantitative EOS data

- Measure material motion at two or more positions – determine the Lagrangian sound speed
- As with shock technique: absolute EOS is inferred from wave speed measurements



$$c_{L}(u_{p}) = \Delta x_{p} / \Delta t \qquad \text{[observable]}$$

$$V(u) = V_{0} \int_{0}^{u} \frac{1}{c_{L}(u_{p})} du_{p} \qquad \text{[mass]}$$

$$P(u) = P_{0} + \rho_{0} \int_{0}^{u} c_{L}(u_{p}) du_{p} \qquad \text{[momentum]}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(V), \text{ and } E(V) = E_{0} - \int_{V_{0}}^{V} P(V') dV'$$



## Iterative Lagrangian analysis to extract stress and density (Rothman, et al., (2005)



## **Dynamic compression facilities**



# High pressures generated by projectile impact (gas guns)



Graded density impactor generates ramp compression wave



Ngyuen, Holmes, Chau (LLNL)

# High pressures generated by pulsed power (Z accelerator)

Direct application of magnetic stress to the sample



#### Magnetically-accelerated flyer plate а cathode anode short circuit $(\mathbf{X})$ $\vec{J} \times \vec{B}$ $\vec{J} \times \vec{B}$ targets 38 mm flyers ak-gap R.W. Lemke et al, IntJ.Impact Eng. 38 480 (2011) Plate impact generates single • strong shock (aka gun expts) Peak velocities: $\sim$ 42 km/s (AI) • ~ 22 km/s (Cu) Peak pressures ~30 – 40 Mbar • depending on the target

Shock hugoniot applications

## High pressures generated by lasers



Pulse shape & target determines if compression is a shock or ramp

## **Basic diagnostics**



## **Confined geometries & hybrid** variations



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## **High precision EOS**





#### physics

## Melting of diamond on the Hugoniot



## **Phase transition in MgSiO<sub>3</sub>**



## Compression of He to 1.5 g cm<sup>-3</sup>



Reflectivity measurements



### **Multiple shock compression of deuterium**



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### Multi-shocked D<sub>2</sub> Electrical conductivity: theory vs experiment



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## Diamond EOS Ramp compression of diamond: 8 Mbar at OMEGA, 50 Mbar at NIF



Important applications to confine reverberation samples for x-ray probing

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#### EXAFS on Fe

## **EXAFS on ramp-compressed Fe**

### Experimental setup: x-ray absorption spectroscopy with implosion backlighter



#### Fe is close-packed up to 560GPa, 8000K



Pressure is probed by VISAR, showing quasi-ramp compression by multi-shock



Fe EXAFS data confirm off-Hugoniot states in quasi-ramp compression



Ping, Hicks, Eggert, Rygg, Coppari

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## X-ray diffraction Fe, MgO & Ta

VISAR



Omega phase best fit with V=29 cc, and C/a=0.56 S.1 Mbar Ramp Compression



c/a=0.612 and a shuffle every third (112)<sub>bcc</sub> plane

Yields the Omega phase with a  $(112)_{bcc} \rightarrow (300)_{\Omega}$ Correspondence



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Density (g/cc)

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### Gigabar EOS: Radiographic measurement of convergent shock Based on NIF ignition hohlraum: spherically symmetric drive.



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Kritcher, Swift, Hawreliak, Falcone et al

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## Hydrogen at TPa pressures



## Summary

- New capabilities in dynamic compression facilities like NIF, OMEGA and Z can achieve planetary core conditions
- Recent developments in compression techniques and diagnostics are enabling:
  - Creation of material states at planetary core conditions
  - High precision measurements of EOS
  - Probing of new high pressure structures and phases

