Sub-Aperture Backscatter on NIF June 30th, 2016

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Enhanced backscatter capabilities would benefit a number of experimental campaigns on the NIF

NIF Polar-Drive Scattered Light Calculations



NIF Gas-Pipe Experimental Data





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LLE has made an official request for additional scattered light measurements

We have proposed enhancements to the optical diagnostics suite to cover more positions around the NIF chamber

- 1) SBS and SRS time-history measurements at positions near the equator and near the poles (i.e. not at beam ports)
- 2) SBS and SRS time-history measurements at beam-port positions
 - Note: DrDs are being pursued as a possible solution for SBS
- 3) SBS and SRS streaked spectral measurements at beamport or non-beam positions



1) SBS and SRS time-history measurements at positions near the equator and near the poles (i.e. not at beam ports)

- Expected backcattered SBS: ~2x10³-2x10⁵ J/sr based on simulations of direct-drive implosions
- Expected backcattered SRS: ~10²-10⁴ J/sr based on ~1-10 J per beamline measured in FABS in planar experiments
- Locations: ~10-20, at ~10 different polar angles including near poles and near equator, and ~5 different azimuthal angles
- Flexibility: Should have changeable ND and bandpass filtering for either SBS or SRS (if not interchangeable b/w SBS, SRS, need more detectors)
- Time resolution: Near term ~200 ps, long term ~100 ps
- Signal duration: ~5-25 ns (chromatic dispersion affects record window)
- Dynamic range: Near term >10, long term >100
- Signal/noise and uncertainty: Require absolute and relative uncertainty of <u>+</u><10, nice to have <u>+</u><5%
- Other uses: Should be designed so that next phase could introduce streaked spectrometry (i.e. item #3)



A system schematic outlines the major components for a diagnostic concept to measure scattered light



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We should leverage the RJ45 infrastructure currently being deployed for RT-NADs

Propose to install RJ45 outlet boxes strategically placed around the target chamber to connect NADs to ICCS



Example of a design for supporting 48 NADs distributed through out the TB, with some capacity for future expansion.

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A compact system concept is being developed to characterize scattered light at non-port locations

- The system will provide time resolved measurements of the scattered power for different wavelength bands
- This data will be beneficial for a range of experimental campaigns
- The concept is designed to be compact and inexpensive to allow rapid development and deployment







