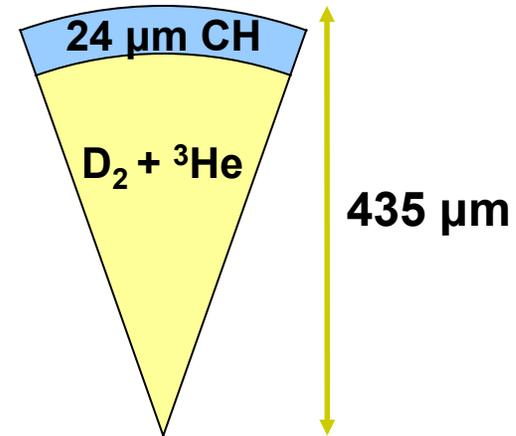
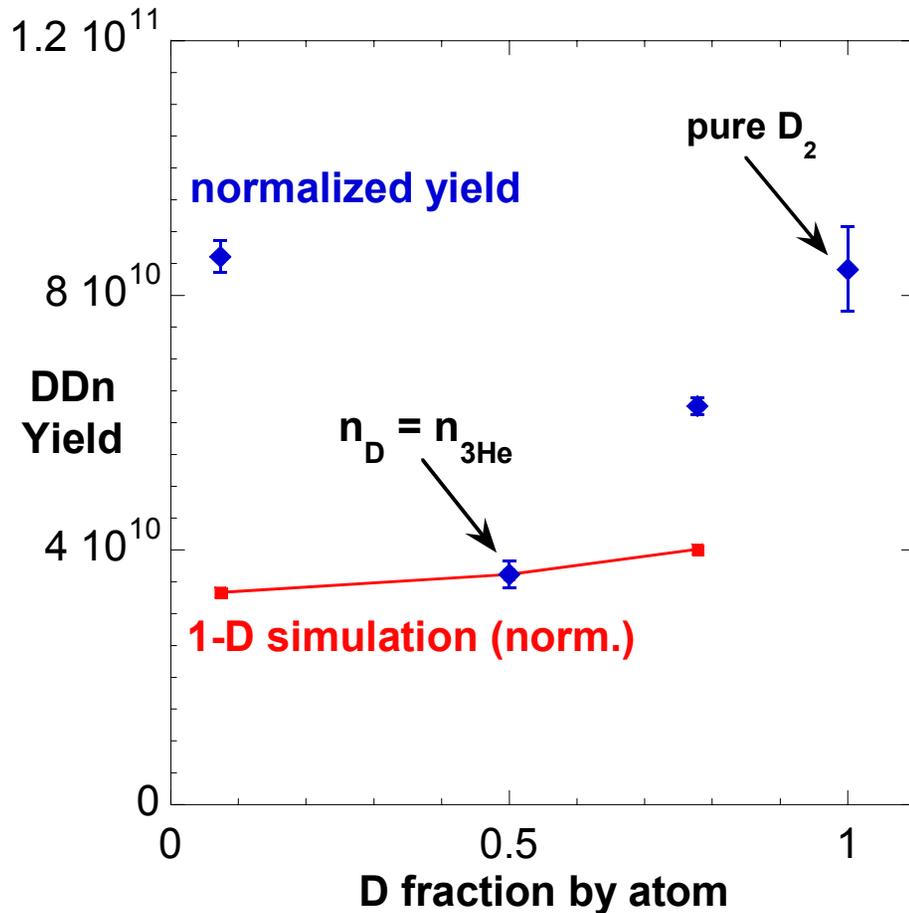


# Testing Hydrodynamic Equivalence of Implosions with different $D_2 + {}^3\text{He}$ mixtures



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# Hydrodynamically equivalent fuels have the same mass density and total particle density

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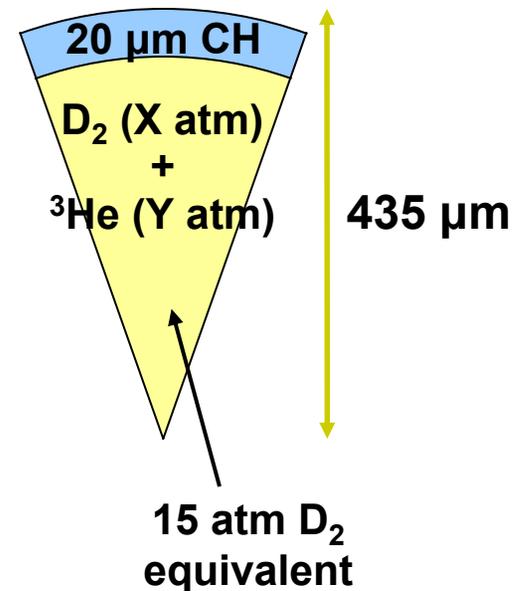
Fill pressures for different fill compositions are chosen such that on full ionization the following are equivalent:

- $\rho$
- $(n_i+n_e)$
- EOS

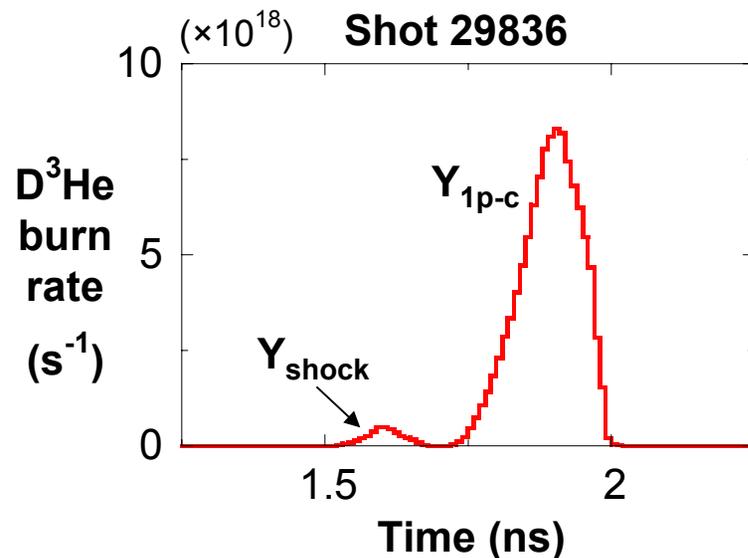
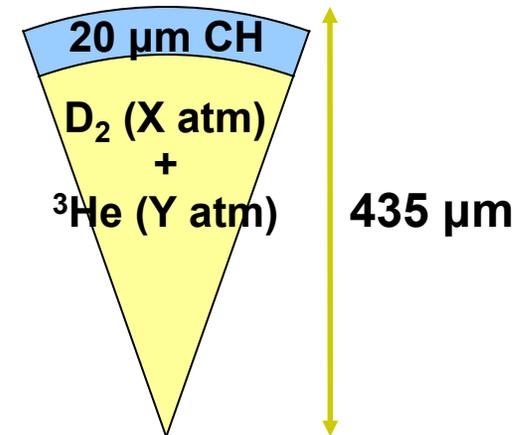
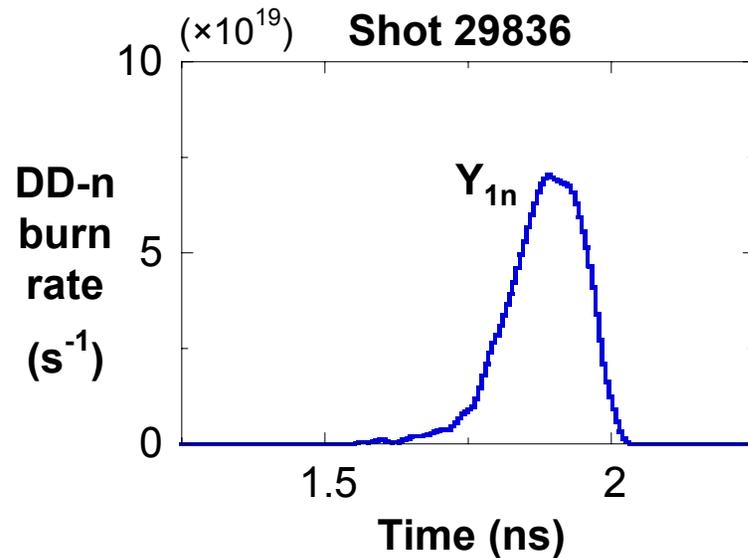
For  $D_2(X)^3He(Y)$  filled capsules, hydro-equivalence to a  $D_2(15)$  capsule requires:

$$\frac{X}{15atm} + \frac{Y}{20atm} = 1$$

OMEGA target  
23 kJ, 1 ns  
square pulse



# Yields from two nuclear reactions can be used to diagnose OMEGA implosions

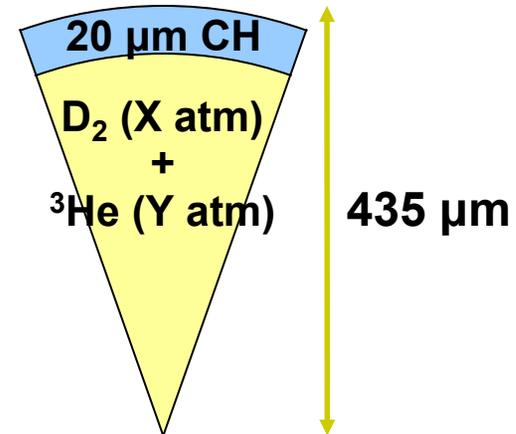
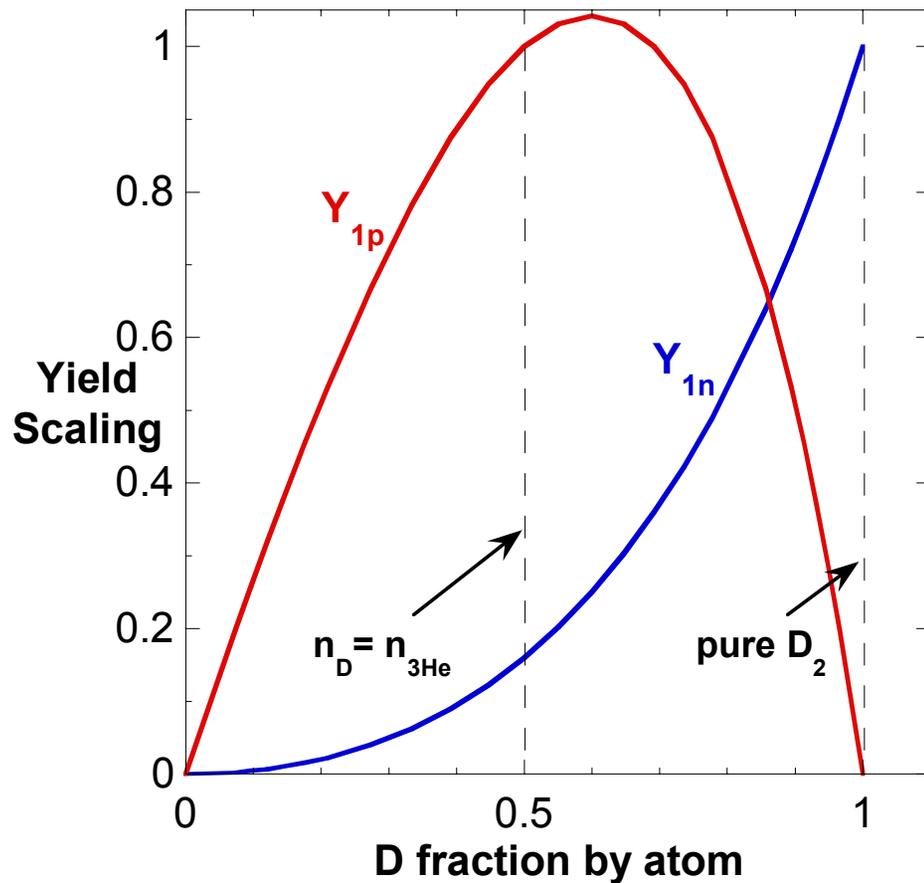


# DD-n and D<sup>3</sup>He reaction yields scale differently with fuel composition

Anticipated yield scaling:

$$Y_{1n} \propto X^2$$

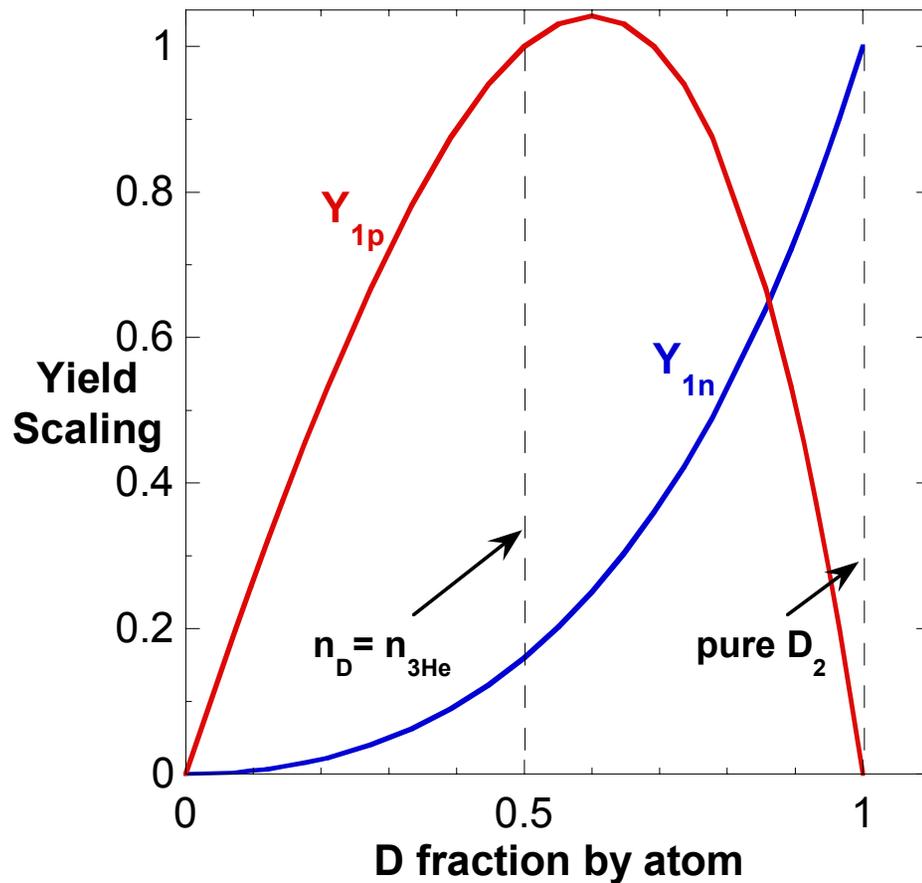
$$Y_{1p} \propto X Y$$



# All yields will be normalized according to the scaling anticipated by the composition

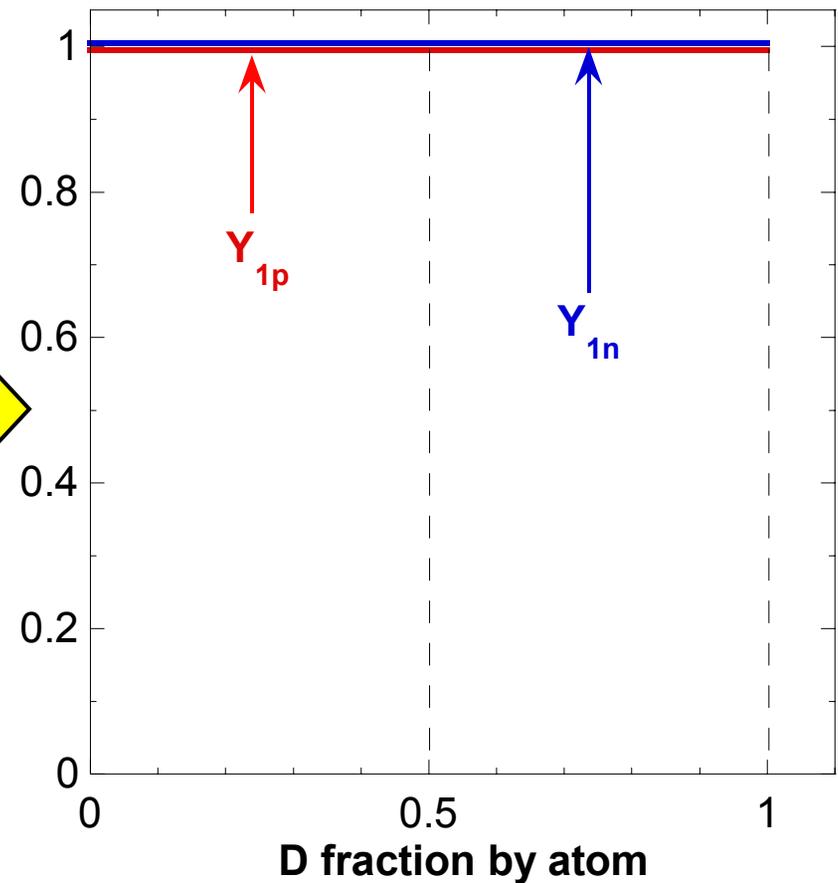
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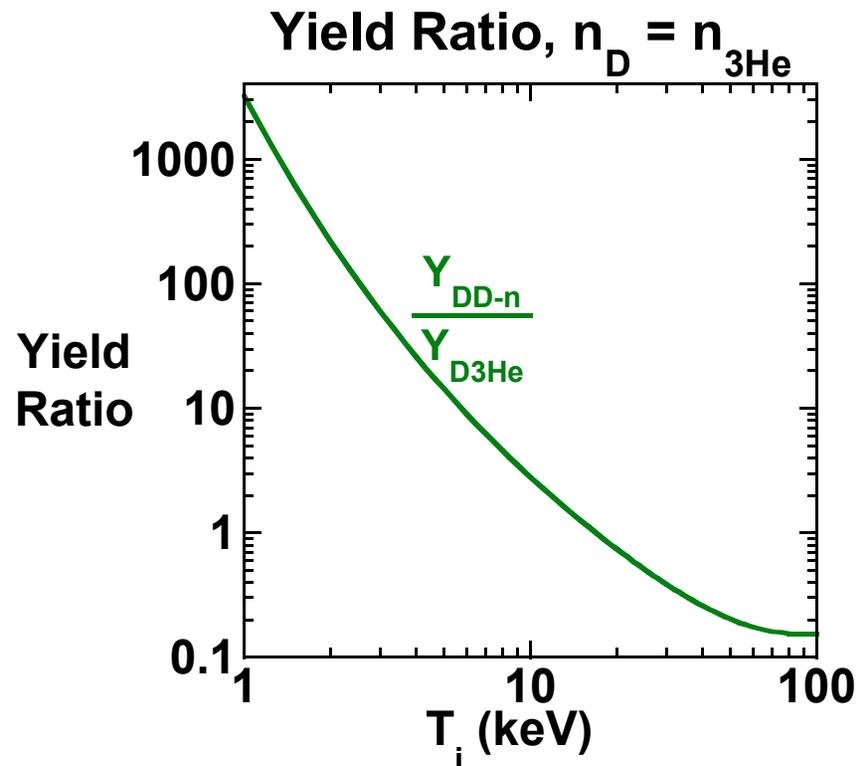
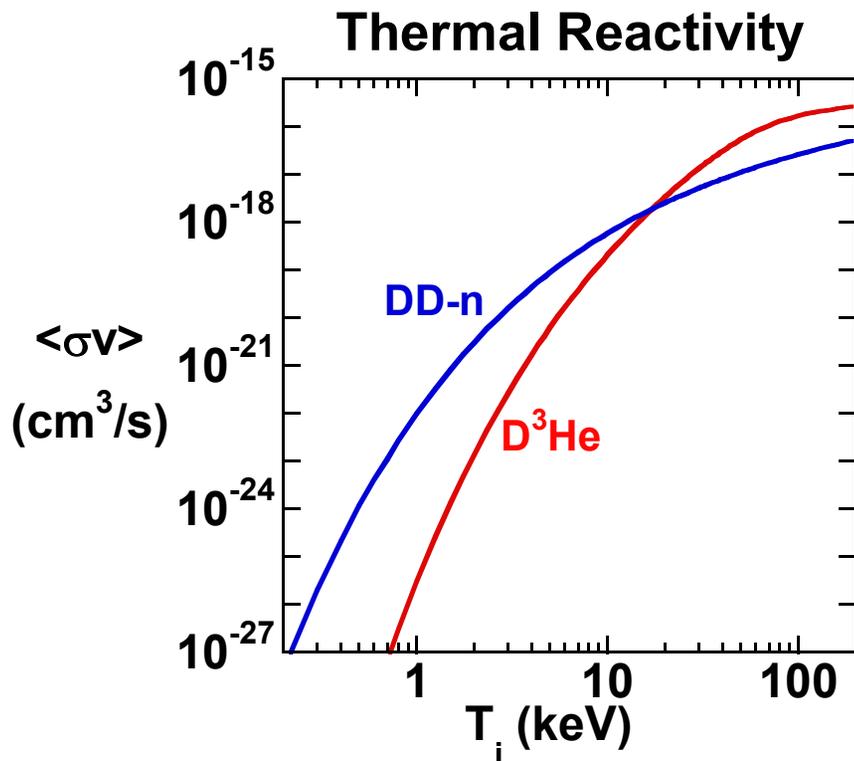
Normalized yield scaling:

$$Y_{1n\text{-norm}} = Y_{1n}(X_0/X)^2$$
$$Y_{1p\text{-norm}} = Y_{1p}(X_0 Y_0)/(XY)$$



# The ratio of yields can be used to estimate a burn-averaged ion temperature

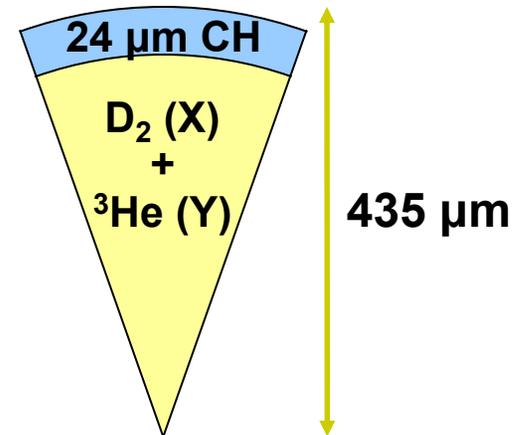
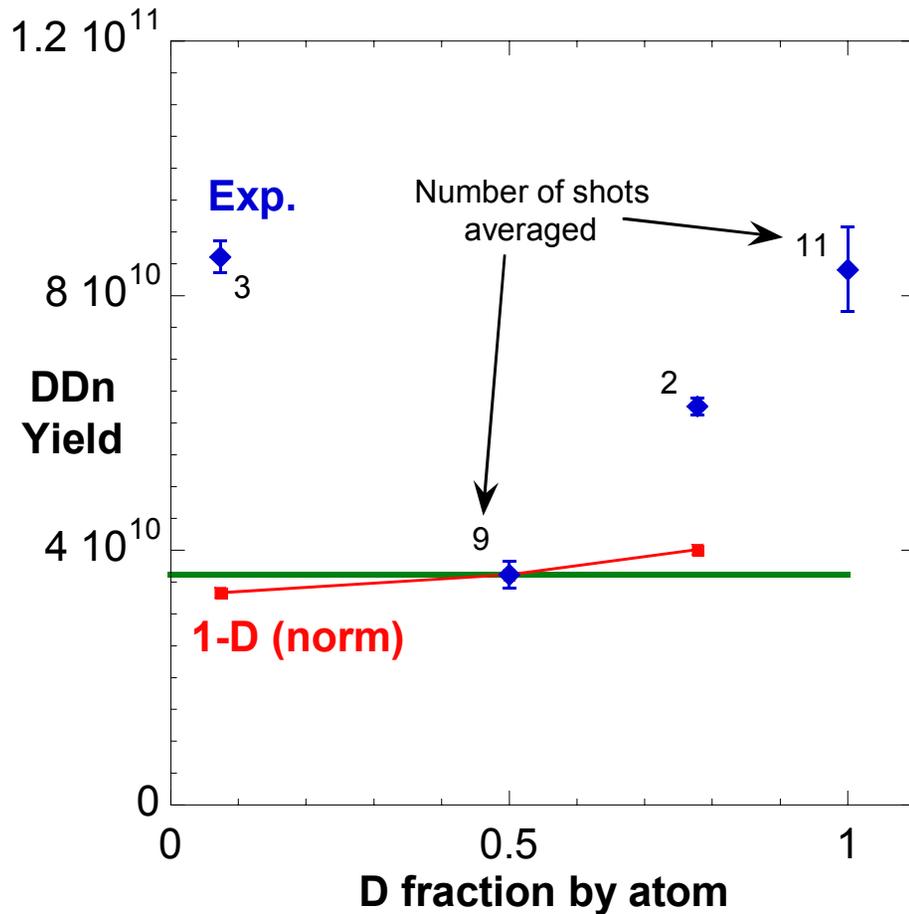
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# DD-n experimental yield does not scale as expected based on hydro-equivalence

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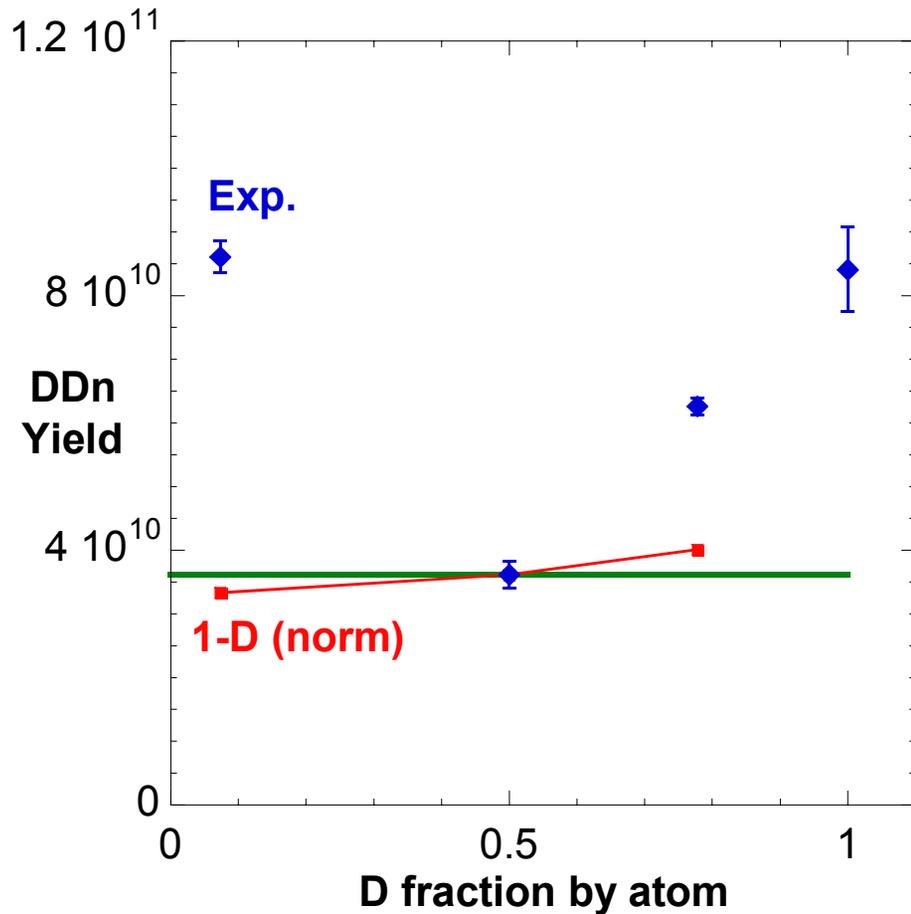
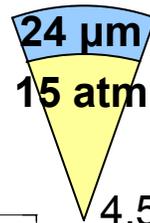
$$Y_{1n\text{-norm}} = Y_{1n} (15 \text{ atm}/X)^2$$



# D<sup>3</sup>He compression yield also deviates from hydro-equivalent scaling

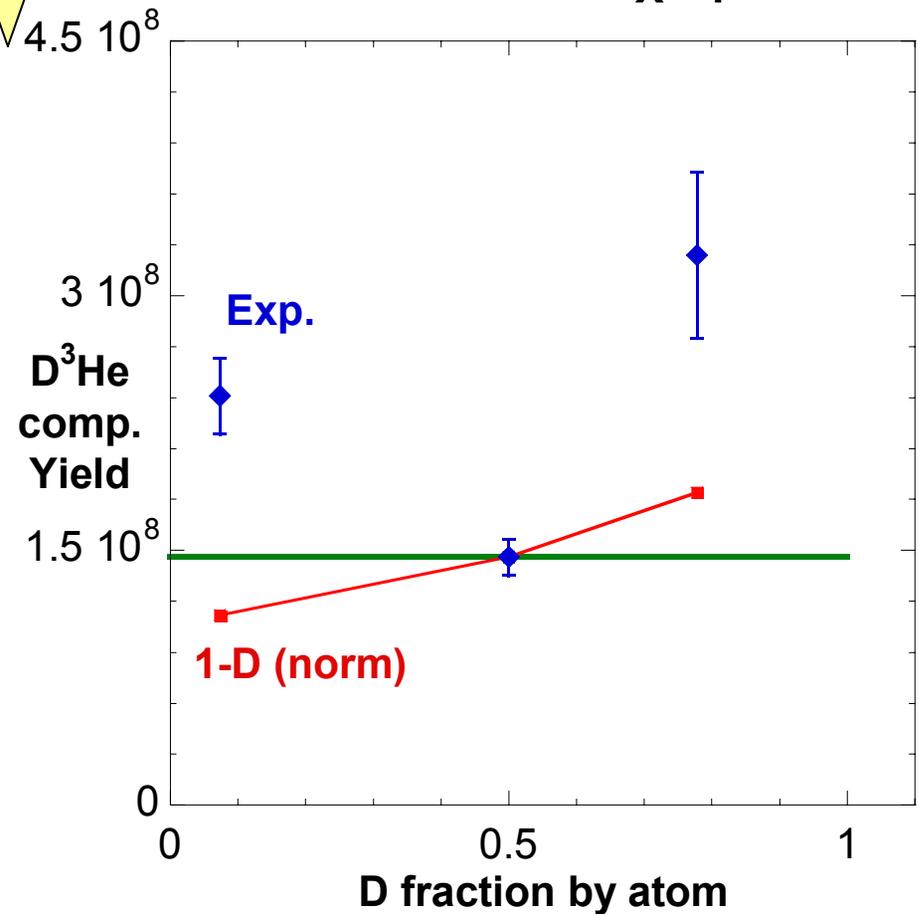
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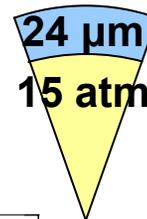
$$Y_{1p\text{-norm}} = Y_{1p\text{-c}} \frac{6 \text{ atm} * 12 \text{ atm}}{X * Y}$$



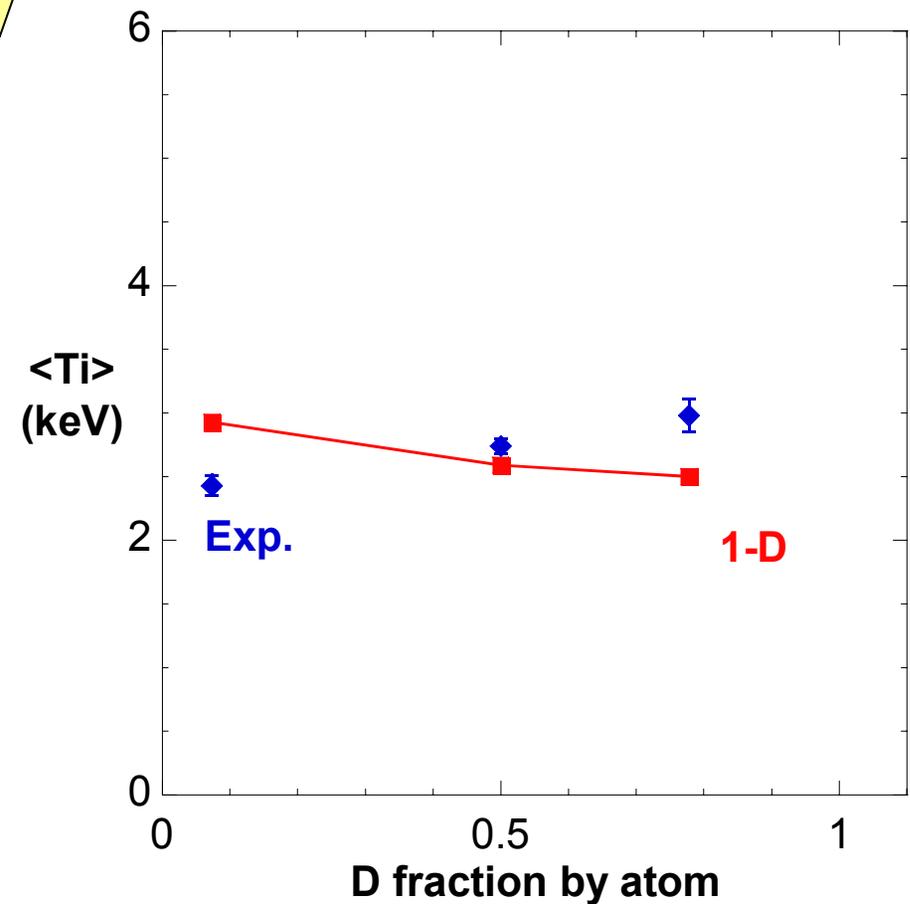
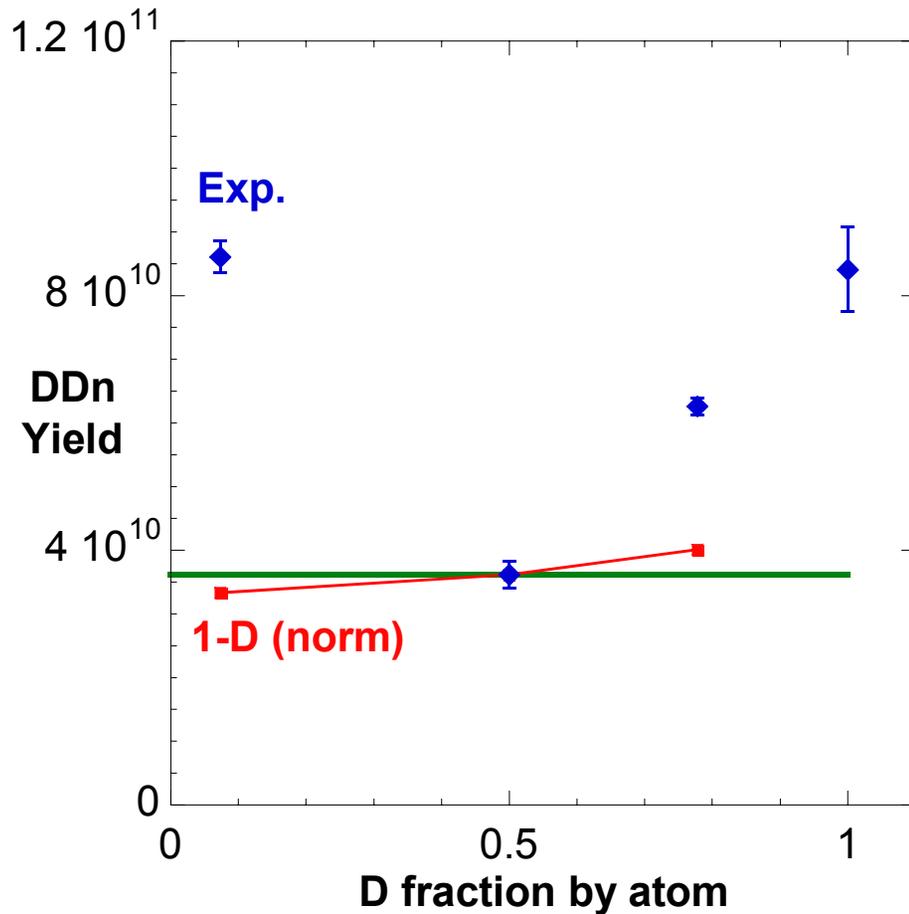
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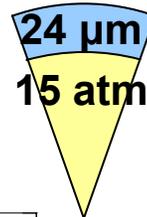
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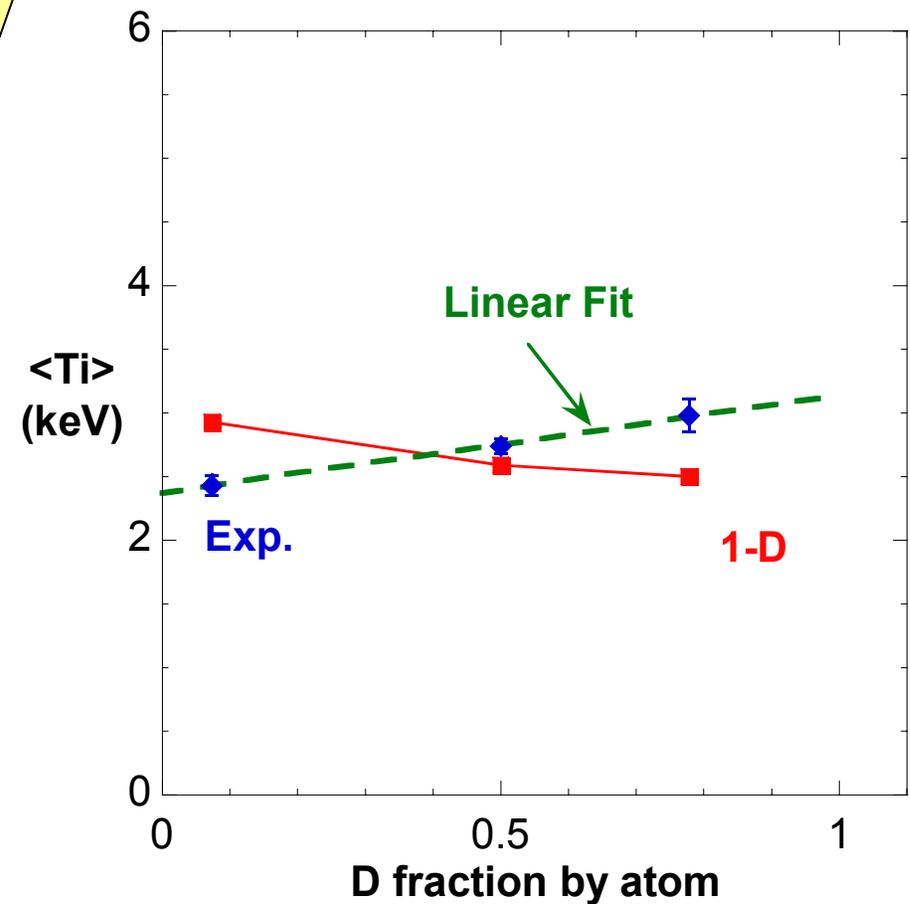
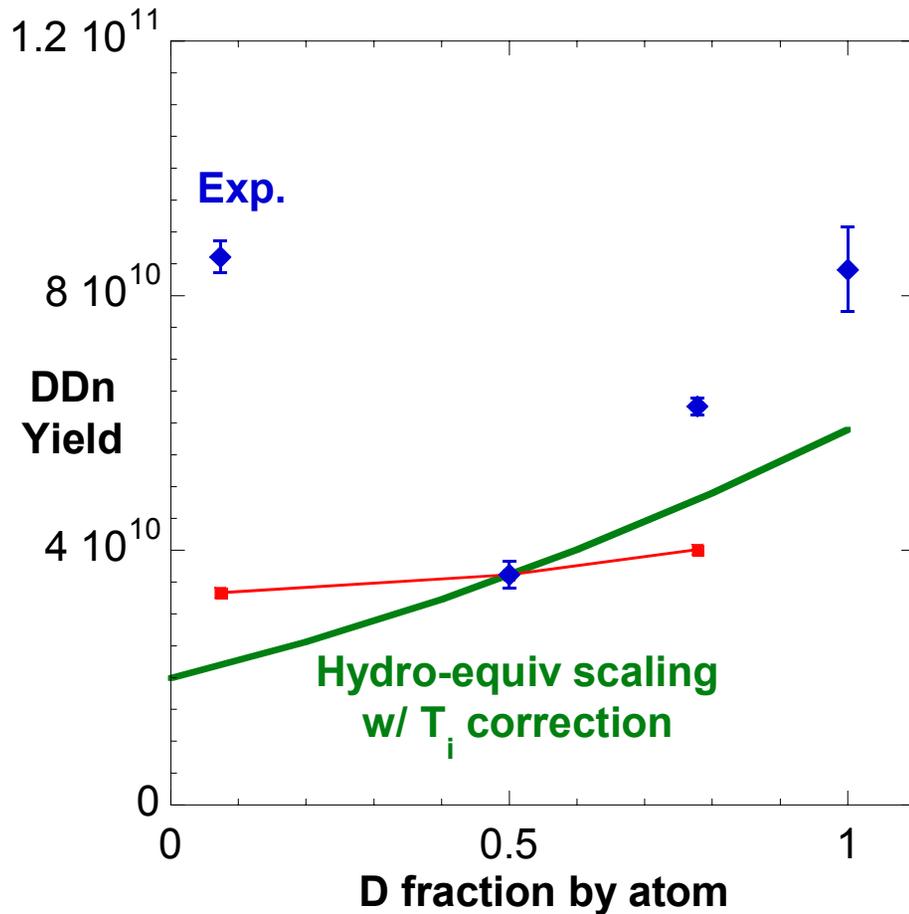
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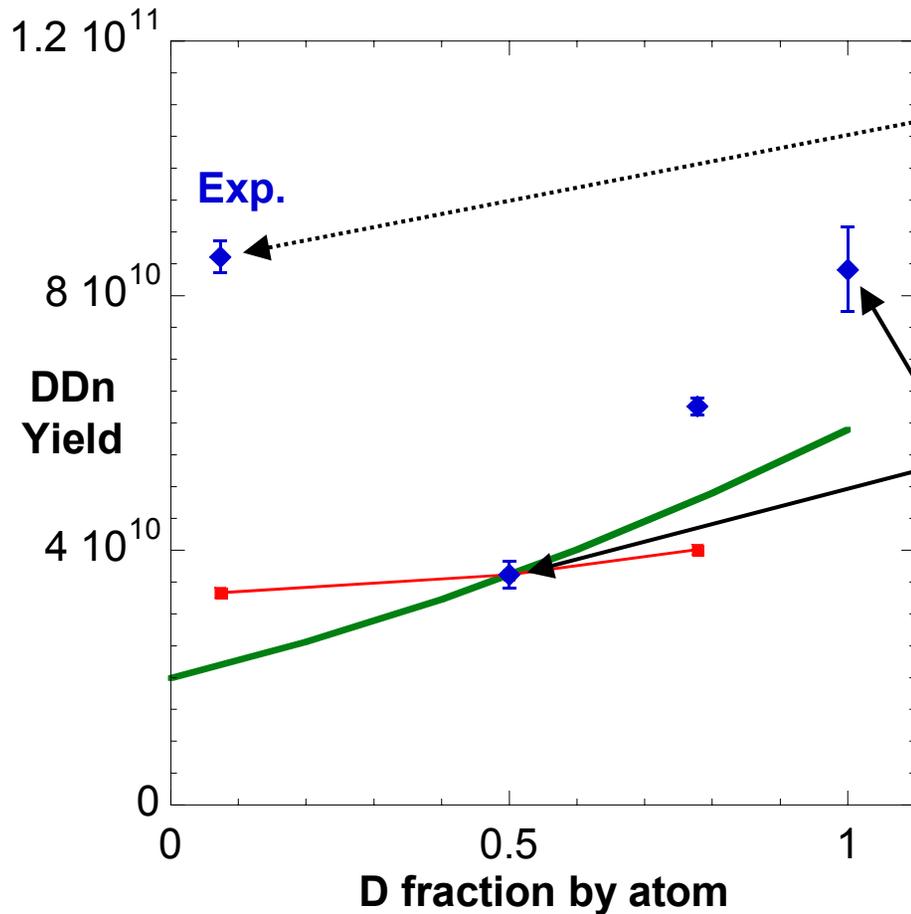
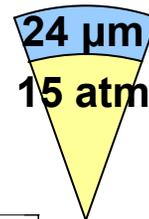
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- Fill composition error  $\approx 1\text{-}2\%$  -- but fill error must be 50% to follow trend
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- A different composition error is needed to explain  $Y_{1n}$  and  $Y_{1p}$  data

# Yield scaling deviation is seen for shock burn and compression burn

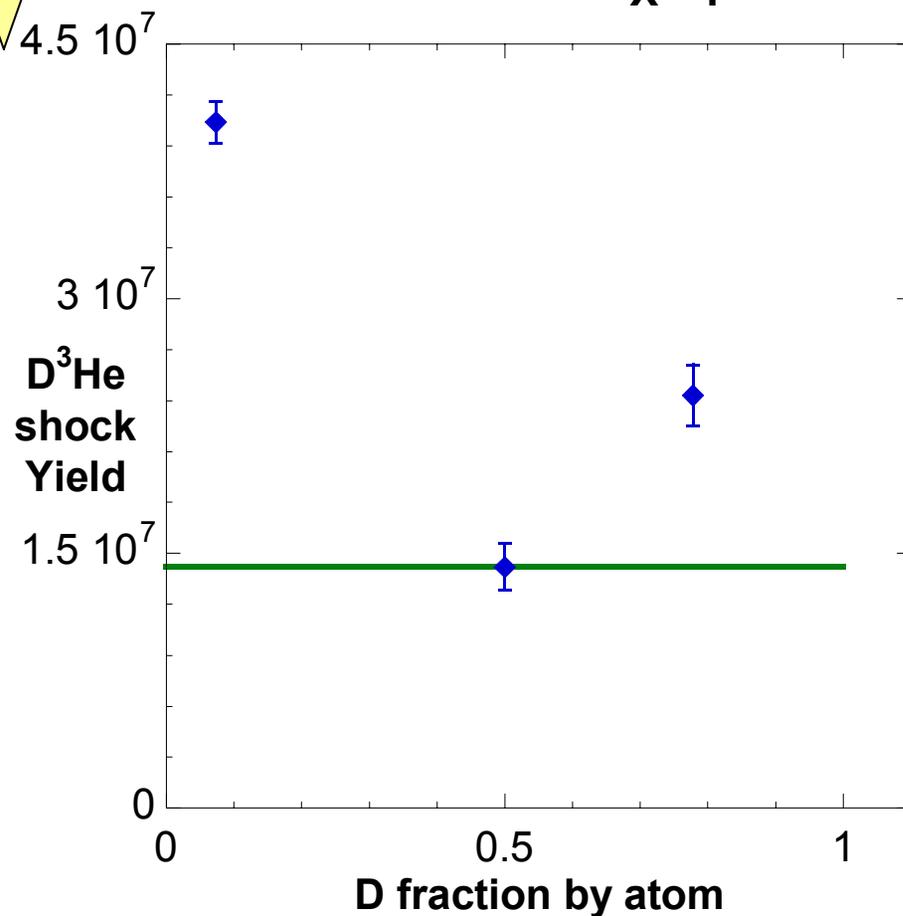
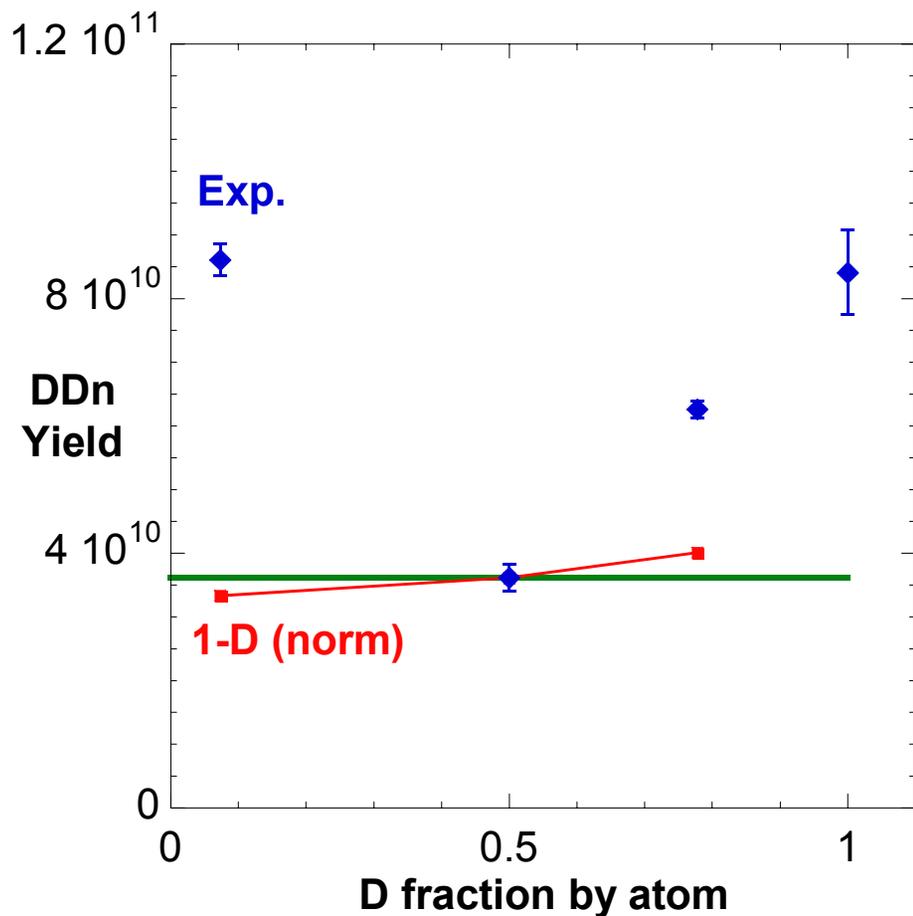
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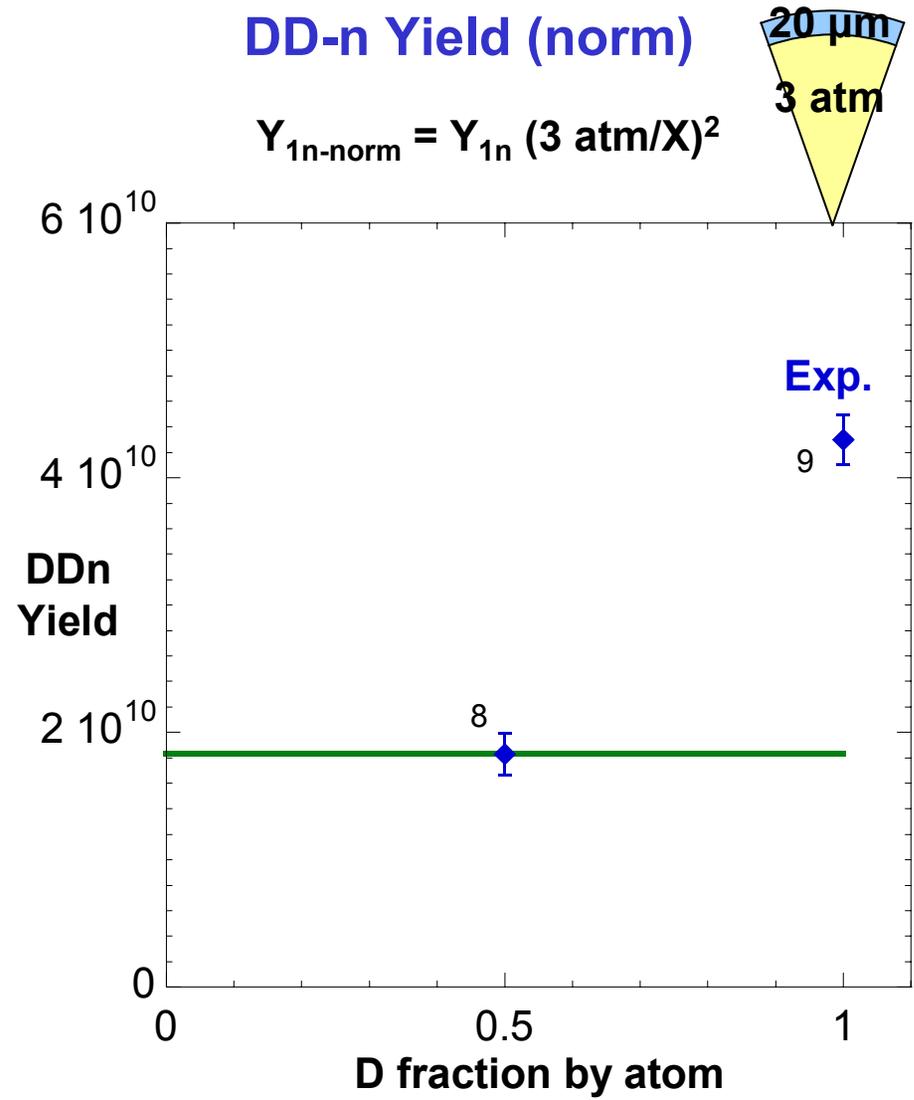
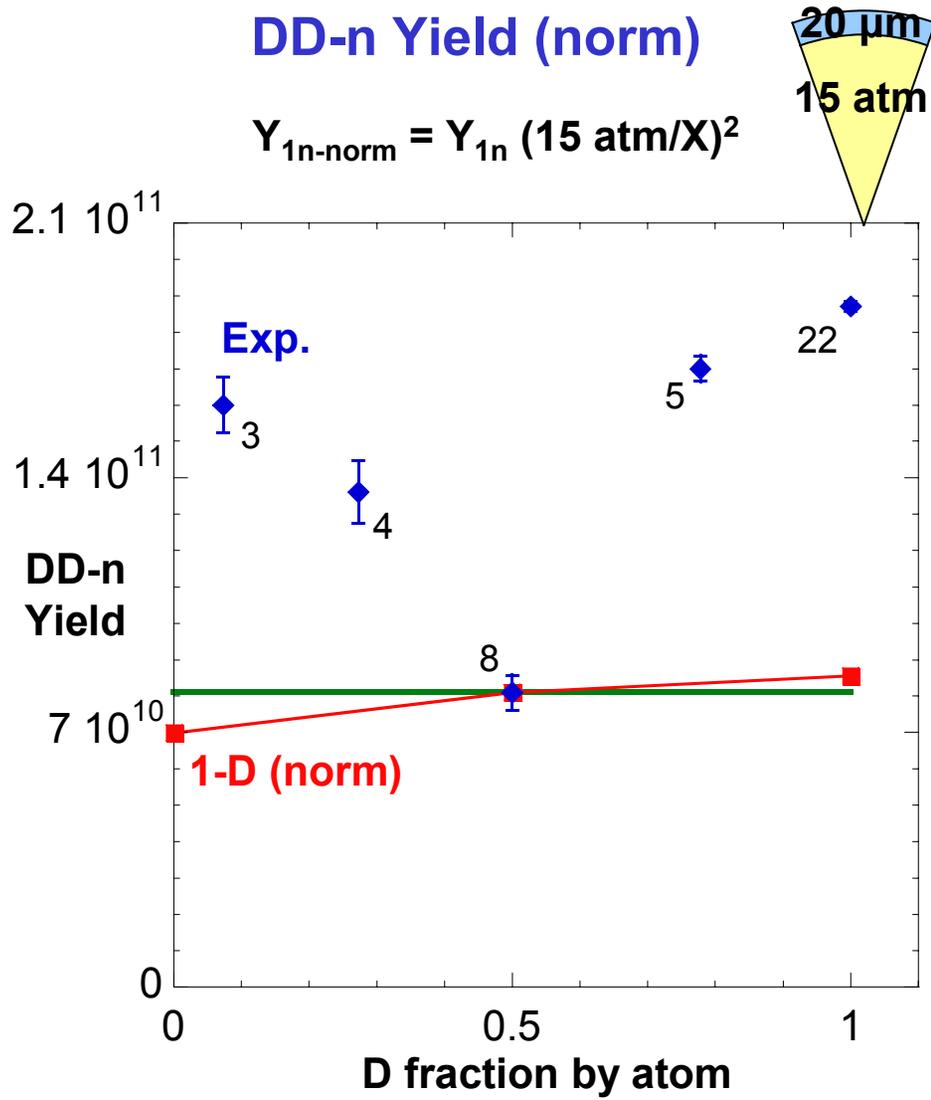


D<sup>3</sup>He-p shock Yield (norm)

$$Y_{\text{sh-norm}} = Y_{\text{shock}} \frac{6 \text{ atm} * 12 \text{ atm}}{X * Y}$$



# Yield scaling deviation is also seen for thinner shells and for lower pressures



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