#### Simulation and Analysis of Backlit Images of Cryogenic Implosions on OMEGA



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### Backlit images of imploding cryogenic targets are captured by a soft x-ray framing camera



• Ir-coated mirrors significantly reduce the hard x-ray background by reflecting x rays below 2 keV.

### X-ray radiography is used to infer target areal density during a cryogenic implosion



- The backlit image was Abel inverted
- A  $ho^2 R$  of ~0.097 g<sup>2</sup>/cm<sup>5</sup> was inferred from the optical depth
- A ho R of ~33 mg/cm<sup>2</sup> was inferred using the radius of the measured image of  $\Delta R$  ~ 110  $\mu$ m and an ice-block model
- A  $\rho R$  of ~33 mg/cm<sup>2</sup> is consistent with the simulated imploded mass within the inner and outer shadow radii

# The radius of the shell radiograph and the inferred $\rho R$ are consistent with simulated values at a time well before peak compression



### The analysis of cryogenic implosion radiographs is guided by hydrodynamic and radiation simulations

- LILAC simulates the hydrodynamics of the implosions
  - the simulated imploded shell mass is a useful input parameter<sup>1</sup>
  - the simulated shell temperature is needed to infer density from opacity, but the results are only weakly sensitive to it

$$\kappa_{\text{free-free}} \sim \frac{\left[\rho/(kT)^{1/4}\right]^2}{(h\nu)^3}$$

- Implosion radiographs are simulated by Spect3D<sup>2</sup>
  - the backlighter spectrum, the instrumental spectral response, and the space and time resolutions are taken into account
  - the appropriate spectrum-averaged opacity is applied to the radiograph analyses

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> F. J. Marshall *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. <u>102</u>, 185004 (2009); See UO5.00008.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Prism Computational Sciences, Inc., Madison, WI.

# Backlighter profile information obtained from exposed views can be applied to radiographs where the backlighter is obscured



## Simulation results are closer to measured radiographs and inferred mass density profiles with thinner CD shells



- From the inferred opacity profile alone:  $\rho R = 56 \text{ mg/cm}^2$
- Much of the observed absorption is not yet accounted for

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#### Simulated radiograph shows significant absorption due to an unablated trace of shell CD



10.1- $\mu$ m shell, 95- $\mu$ m cryo D<sub>2</sub>, 866- $\mu$ m diam, 80-ps framing camera gate

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- From the shell mass (34.8  $\mu$ g, *LILAC*) and the density profile:  $\rho R$  = 19 mg/cm<sup>2</sup>
- From the inferred opacity profile alone:  $\rho R = 47 \text{ mg/cm}^2$
- CD absorption complicates the analysis based on free-free D<sub>2</sub> opacity

### Abel inversion recovers the shell opacity profile from its radiograph



- The optical thickness  $\tau(x)$  of the shell is the measured quantity
- Abel inversion recovers the radial opacity distribution  $\mathcal{K}(\mathbf{x})$

$$\kappa(\mathbf{r}) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\mathbf{r}}^{\infty} \frac{d\tau(\mathbf{x})}{d\mathbf{x}} \frac{d\mathbf{x}}{\sqrt{\mathbf{x}^2 - \mathbf{r}^2}} \quad \text{or} \quad \int_{\mathbf{r_0}}^{\infty} \kappa(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r} = \frac{\mathbf{r_0}}{\pi} \int_{\mathbf{r_0}}^{\infty} \frac{\tau(\mathbf{x})}{\mathbf{x}\sqrt{\mathbf{x}^2 - \mathbf{r_0}^2}} d\mathbf{x}$$

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