### Experimentally Inferred Dependencies of the Ion Temperature, Areal Density, and Fusion Yield of OMEGA Direct-Drive Implosions



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- Areal densities are degraded by convergence, short wavelength RT and L=1 mode
- Ion temperatures are degraded by short wavelength RT and He<sub>3</sub> contamination



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## **Relevant dimensionless parameters are identified<sup>1-3</sup> that determine performance degradation in OMEGA implosions**





### Statistical modeling<sup>1</sup> is used to extract individual parametric dependencies





### Fusion-yield individual degradations are quantified<sup>1</sup>





## The areal density is often anisotropic and can only be predicted if averaged over the entire solid angle

 $4\pi$ -average  $\rho R$  degradation

[1] J. Frenje et al, Rev. Sci. Instrum. 79, 10E502 (2008)

ρR degradation in the statistical model

$$\rho \text{ROC}^{\text{exp}} \equiv \frac{\left\langle \rho R \right\rangle_{4\pi}^{\text{exp}}}{\rho R_{1D}^{\text{sim}}} \qquad \qquad \rho \text{ROC}^{\text{exp}} \approx \rho \text{ROC}(\text{CR}) \rho \text{ROC}(\alpha, \text{IFAR}) \rho \text{ROC}_{\text{L=1}} \left( \frac{T_{\text{exp}}^{\text{max}}}{T_{\text{exp}}^{\text{min}}} \right)$$

Currently, the SM model uses the average ρR from two LOS. Uses DSR from Magnetic Recoil Spectrometer (MRS)<sup>2</sup> and nT backscatter edge from 13.4m NTOF<sup>3</sup>

#### DEC3D Simulations<sup>3</sup>

Degradation of  $4\pi$ -average  $\rho R$  from mode L=1





## Areal density predictions are less accurate than yield predictions and measured $\rho R$ deviates from simulated $\rho R$ at high $\rho R$

 $\rho R$  measured vs Simulated 1D  $\rho R$ ρ**R measured vs SM predictions** Measured pR (mg/cm²) Measured pR (mg/cm<sup>2</sup>) **Res=0.16** Simulated 1D pR (mg/cm<sup>2</sup>) SM Predicted pR (mg/cm<sup>2</sup>)



### ρR degradation with respect to simulated 1D comes from convergence, short wavelength RT and L=1 mode



## $T_{\rm ion}$ predictions are less accurate than yield predictions and measured $T_{\rm ion}$ deviates from simulated $T_{\rm ion}$ over entire database







### Extracting individual dependencies shows ion temperature degraded from He<sup>3</sup> contamination and hydrodynamic stability





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## OMEGA implosion results, invited talks on Wednesday C. Williams, NI0200004 "Achieving highest fusion yields in direct-drive ICF" J. Knauer, NI02.0000 "A Systematic Study of Laser Imprint for Direct Drive"



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The average areal density defined in the statistical analysis uses measurements along two LOS and the coverage error\* from L=1 asymmetry is expected  $\leq$  15%



\*V. Gopalaswamy et al, PoP (2022)

