3-D electron temperature and X-ray emission tomography of the ICF hotspot at the National Ignition Facility

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- tested iterative algebraic method ART to reconstruct 3D X-ray emission distributions of the ICF hotspot.
- obtained 3D X-ray reconstructions with two or three LOS and made 3D electron temperature T_e measurement in the ICF hotspot using synthetic and experimental data
- laid out a future path on how to perform 3D T_e measurement on the NIF.





Motivation

3D hotspot electron temperature T_e measurements can help to further our understanding of the ICF stagnation physics







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Step 1: We reconstruct 3D X-ray emission distribution using very few 2D X-ray projections via ART – like solving a "3D Sudoku" puzzle



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Step 2: We compute T_e measurement from the ratio of detected X-ray emission values in channels 1 and 2



Synthetic data study: 3D X-ray reconstructions with two versus three LOS



Synthetic data

Reconstruction using 2 LOS

Reconstruction using 3 LOS

Contour percentages from innermost to outermost: 95%, 85%, 50%, 17%

Reconstruction using three LOS has a more similar shape to the original model







X-ray reconstructions using 3 LOS agree better with synthetic models than using 2 LOS





x-axis (μ m) 50 -50 y-axis (μ m)





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-50 50 y-axis (µm) x-axis (μ m)







We tested a collection of synthetic T_{ρ} models with various shapes





Experimental data study: experimentally fielded diagnostic at two LOS PDIM (0°, 0°) and (90°, 78°)





N181007: Noise causes discrepancy in the common integrated profile (CIP) between PDIM and (90°, 78°)



We apply 2D ART to modify PDIM image such that it matches with the CIP of the equatorial image (top row - N181007, bottom row - N190730)



Integrated line profile at (90°, 78°)





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N190730: X-ray images and 3D X-ray reconstructions show a round hotspot

Experimental X-ray images





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Our 3D X-ray reconstruction is consistent to input images



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N190730 - max temperature: 5.5keV



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