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Using Secondary Nuclear Reaction Products to Infer the Fuel Areal Density, Convergence, and Electron Temperatures of Imploding D₂ and D³He Filled Capsules on the NIF B. LAHMANN, J.A. FRENJE, M. GATU JOHNSON, F.H. SEGUIN, C.K. LI, R.D. PETRASSO, MIT, E.P. HARTOUNI, C.B. YEAMANS, H.G. RINDERKNECHT, D.B. SAYRE, G. GRIM, K. BAKER, D.T. CASEY, E. DEWALD, C. GOYON, L.C. JARROTT, S. KHAN, S. LEPAPE, T. MA, L. PICKWORTH, R. SHAH, LLNL, J.L. KLINE, T. PERRY, A. ZYLSTRA, S.A. YI, LANL — In deuterium-filled inertial confinement fusion implosions, 0.82 MeV ³He and 1.01 MeV T (generated by the primary DD reaction branches) can undergo fusion reactions with the thermal deuterium plasma to create secondary D³He protons and DT neutrons, respectively. In regimes of moderate fuel areal density ($\rho R \sim 5 - 100 \text{ mg/cm}^2$) the ratio of both of these secondary yields to the primary yield can be used to infer the fuel ρR , convergence ratio (CR), and an electron temperature (T_e). This technique has been used on a myriad of deuterium filled capsule implosion experiments on the NIF using the neutron time of flight (nTOF) diagnostics to measure the yield of secondary DT neutrons and CR-39 based wedge range filters (WRFs) to measure the yield of secondary D³He protons. This work is supported in part by the U.S. DoE and LLNL.

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