

Simulation of neoclassical heavy impurity transport in AUG with applied 3D magnetic fields

WITH THE NONLINEAR MHD CODE JOREK



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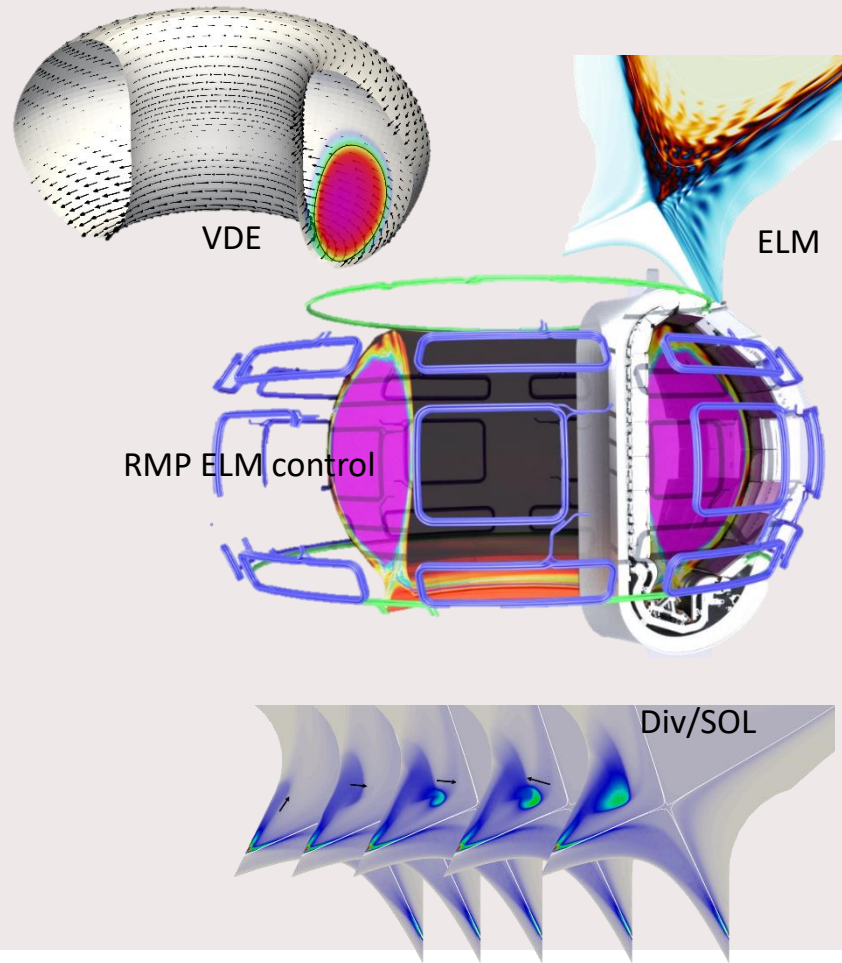
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Motivation

- ELM-control in large tokamaks with Resonant Magnetic Perturbation
 - Prevent unacceptable heat loads on wall
 - Prevent W accumulation
- Transport in pedestal with ergodized magnetic field not fully known
 - Enhanced flushing out of impurities in AUG
- What modeling is needed to understand and predict this transport?
 - Plasmas with applied 3D fields
 - Ergodized field lines
 - Time dependent particles physics
 - Atomic physics, Neoclassical collisions, (plasma-wall interaction)
 - From wall-to-core
 - Fast enough

An overview of JOEAK

- Extended nonlinear-MHD code
 - Typically used to study transient MHD instabilities.
 - E.g. ELMs, VDE's, CQ's, but also RMP operation
- JOEAK Particle framework



JOREK reduced MHD

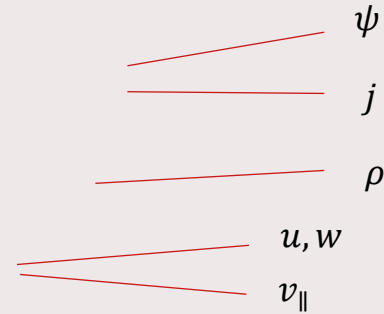
Induction equation: $\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = R[\psi, u] + \eta J - F \frac{\partial u}{\partial \phi}, u \equiv \frac{\Phi}{F0}$

Mass continuity: $\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{v}) + \nabla \cdot (\underline{D} \nabla \rho) + S_\rho$

Momentum $\frac{\rho \partial v}{\partial t} = -\rho \vec{v} \cdot \nabla \vec{v} + J \times B - \nabla p + \nabla \cdot \underline{\tau} + \vec{S}_v,$

with $\vec{v} = \vec{v}_\parallel + \vec{v}_{ExB} + \vec{v}_{dia}$

Energy $\frac{\partial \rho T}{\partial t} = -v \cdot \nabla (\rho T) - \gamma \rho T \nabla \cdot \vec{v} + \nabla \cdot (\underline{\kappa} \nabla T) + (\gamma - 1) \underline{\tau} : \nabla \vec{v} + \eta J^2 + S_p$ — T



Variables: $\psi, u, j, w, \rho, T, v_\parallel$, optional $(T_i, T_e, \rho_n, \rho_z)$

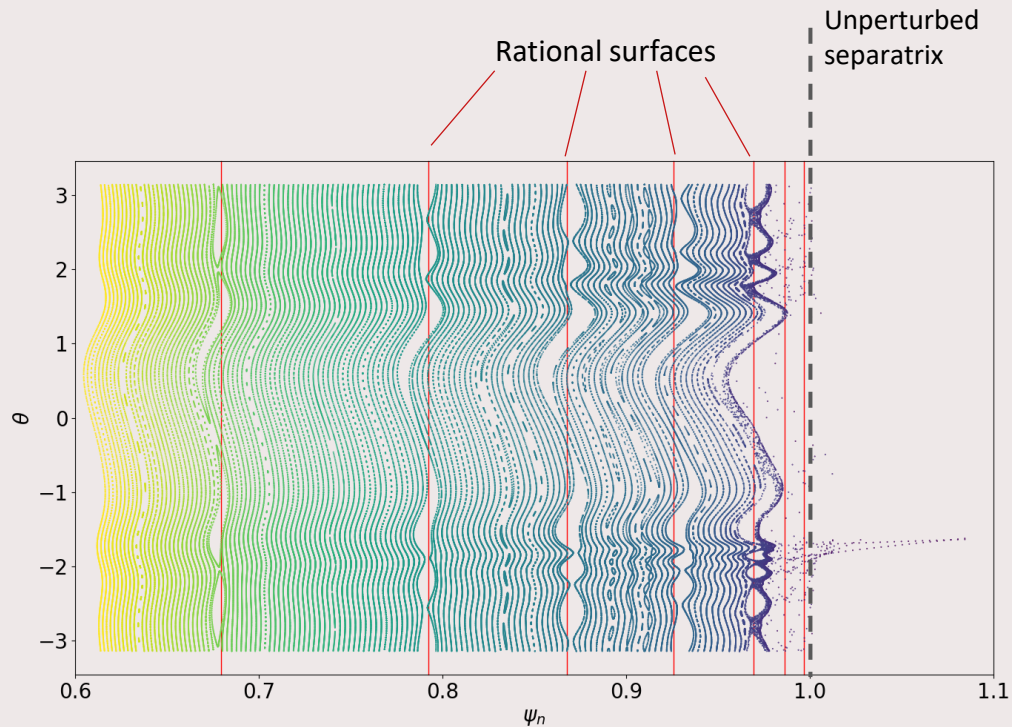
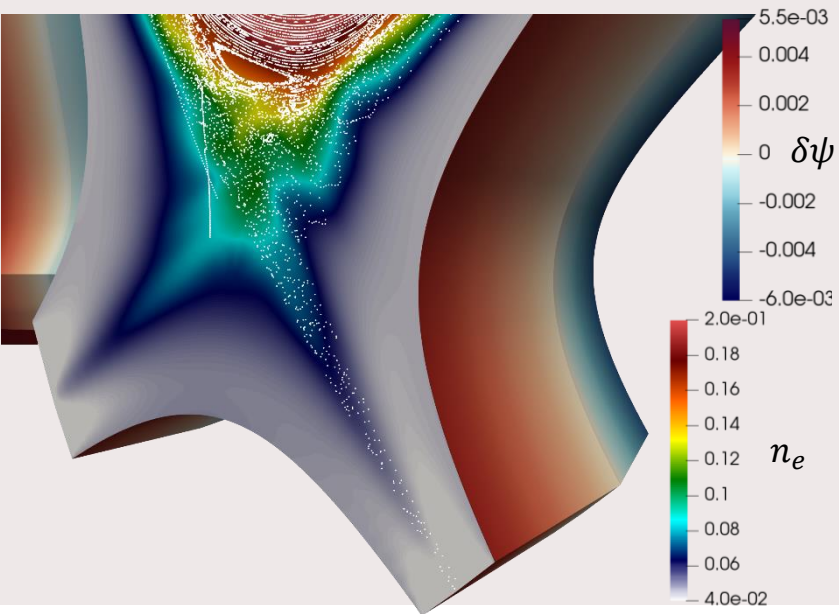
ψ, j BC's given by STARWALL

Dirichlet BC: u, w , Natural BC: ρ

Magnetized Bohm sheath BC: v_\parallel, T

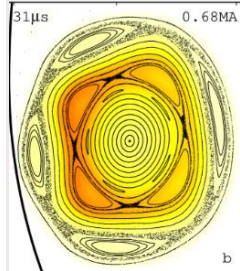
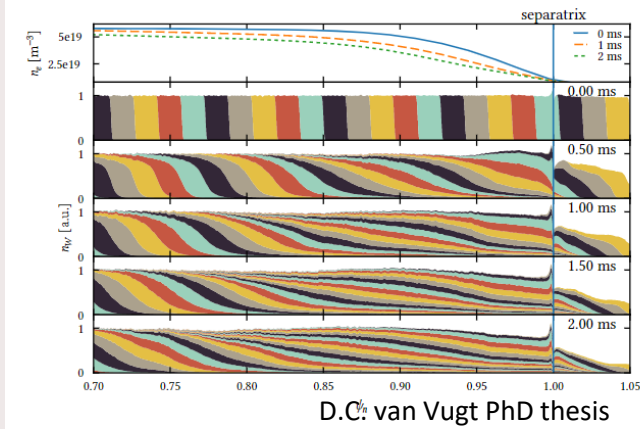
JOREK + STARWALL

V. Mitterauer I.11 (previous talk)

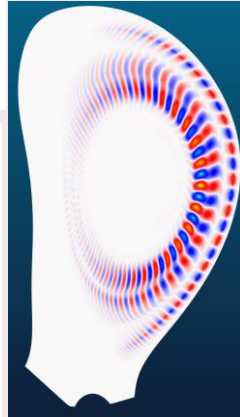


The particle extension

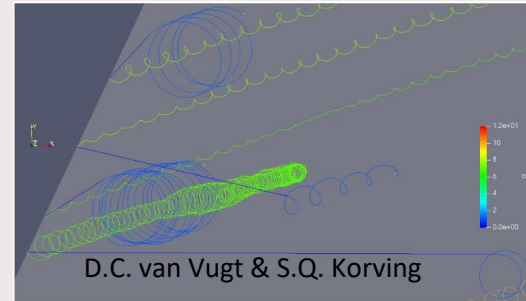
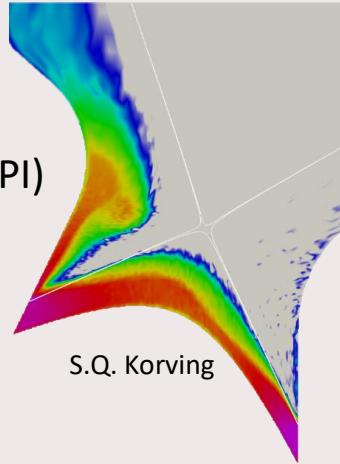
- Guiding Center, Full Orbit, Gyro-Kinetic
- Pushers: RK4, Boris, Qin
- (Two-way) coupled to JOEREK MHD fields
 - Different coupling schemes
- Applications
 - Impurities (sputtering/transport/SPI)
 - Neutrals (recycling/puffing/MGI)
 - Runaway electrons
 - ITG turbulence
 - Fast ions



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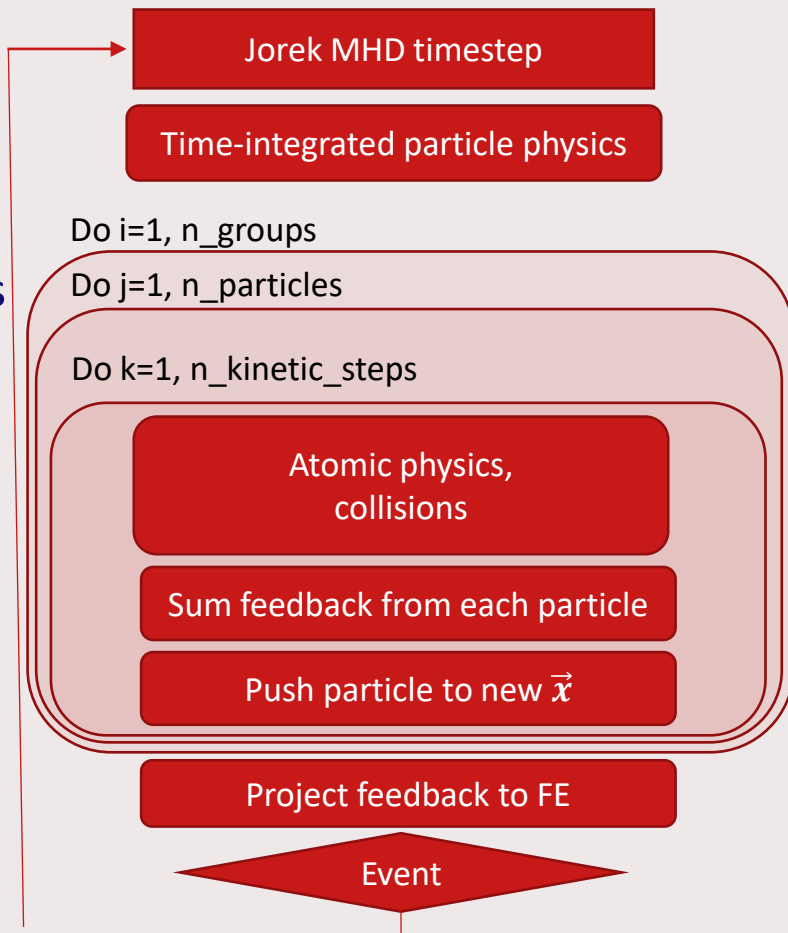


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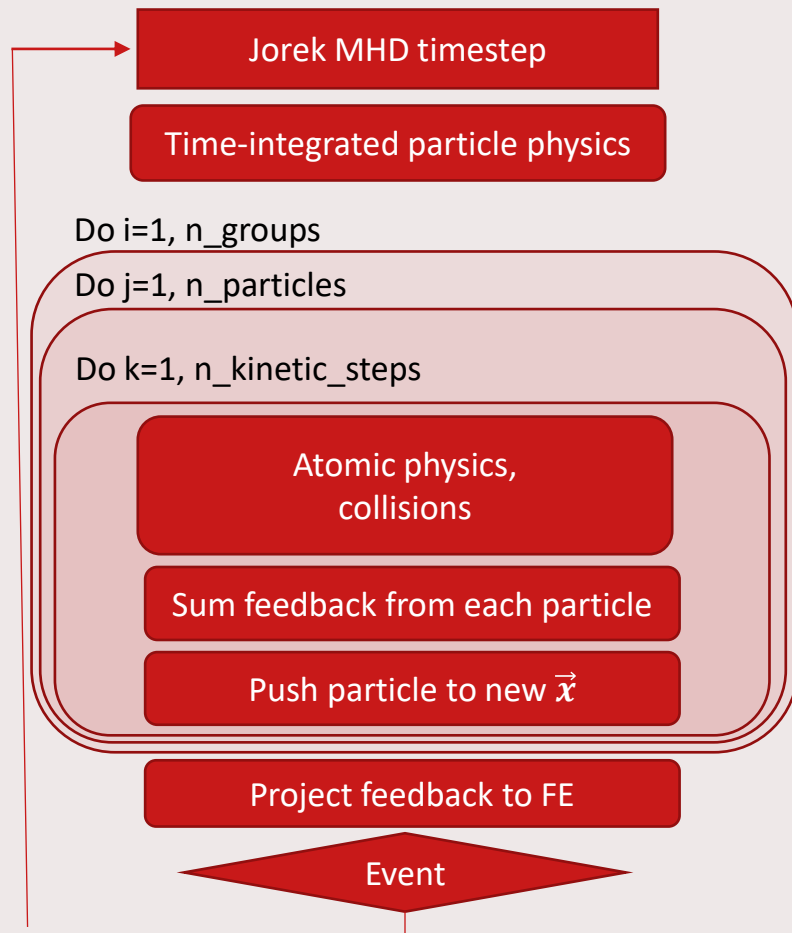
Kinetic Particle loop

- Different groups can have different properties
 - Coupled, trace
 - Neutrals, impurities
- Particle physics
 - Plasma-wall: effective coefficient from SDTrim
 - Based on time integrated values
 - Atomic: Effective rate coefficients from OpenADAS
- Events : puffing, LBO, SPI, diagnostics, etc..



Kinetic Particle loop

- Projecting arbitrary moments of particle distribution
 - Diagnostic and/or coupling
- Conservation of coupled variables
 - E.g. Mass, Momentum, Energy
- Particles stay alive between timesteps!



Collisional Neoclassical transport (1)

Enhanced diffusion: $D \approx D_{CL} + D_{PS} = (1 + 2q_{safe}^2)D_{CL}$

Cross-field transport:

$$\langle \Gamma_\alpha \cdot \nabla \psi \rangle = \overbrace{\langle RF_{\alpha\perp} / e_\alpha \rangle}^{CL} + \overbrace{\left\langle n_\alpha \frac{E \times B}{B^2} \cdot \nabla \psi \right\rangle}^{ExB} + R_0 B_0 \overbrace{\left\langle \frac{F_{\alpha\parallel} + n_\alpha e_\alpha E_{\parallel}}{e_\alpha B} \right\rangle}^{NC}$$

$$\langle \mathbf{v}_z \cdot \nabla r \rangle^{NC} \approx 2q_{safe}^2 D_i^{CL} Z \left(K \frac{1}{n_i} \frac{\partial n_i}{\partial r} + H \frac{1}{T_i} \frac{\partial T_i}{\partial r} \right), \text{ PS-model} \rightarrow H = -\frac{1}{2}, K = 1$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{i,dia} = \frac{B \times \nabla p_i}{n_i e_i B^2}$$

$$\mathbf{q}_{i,dia}^{heat} = \frac{5p_i}{2e_i B^2} B \times \nabla_\perp T$$

$$\nabla \cdot (n_i \mathbf{v}_{i,\parallel}^{PS}) = -\nabla \cdot (n_i \mathbf{v}_{i,dia})$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{q}_{i,\parallel}^{PS}) = -\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{q}_{i,dia}^{heat})$$

NC Inward Pinch

NC Temperature Screening Effect

Collisional Neoclassical transport (2)

- Tungsten is typically in the PS-regime, $\nu^* \epsilon^{3/2} > 1$
- $\nu_i^* \epsilon^{3/2} = \frac{qR}{\nu_{ii} \tau_{ii}} \propto qR \frac{n_e}{T_i^2}$, $\nu_z^* \epsilon^{3/2} \approx 2\nu_i^* \epsilon^{3/2} \frac{Z_z^2}{\sqrt{A_z}}$
 - Example: $Z_W = (10, 20) \rightarrow \frac{\nu_z^*}{\nu_i^*} \approx (15, 60)$
- Extended heat flux model for sampling from shifted-distorted-Maxwellian [Y.Homma 2013 JCP, 2016 NF]
 - $f_b(v_b) = n_b \left(\frac{m_b}{2\pi kT_b} \right)^{3/2} e^{-\frac{m_b w^2}{2kT_b}} \left[1 - \frac{m_b}{n_b} \frac{1}{(kT_b)^2} \left(1 - \frac{w^2}{5v_{th,b}^2} \right) (\vec{q} \cdot \vec{w}) \right] + \bar{v}_b, \vec{w} = \vec{v}_b - \bar{v}_b$
 - $\vec{q} = -\kappa_{\parallel} \nabla_{\parallel} kT_b + \kappa_{\perp} \vec{e}_{\parallel} \times \nabla_{\perp} kT_b - \kappa_{\perp} \nabla_{\perp} kT_b$
- Binary Collision model for coulomb collisions [Takizuka and Abe 1977 JCP]
 - $\left(\frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial t} \right)_{coll} = -\sum_b \frac{\partial}{\partial v_j} \frac{e_{\alpha}^2 e_b^2}{8\pi \epsilon_0^2 m_{\alpha}} \int d\mathbf{v}' \left[\frac{\delta_{jk}}{u} - \frac{u_j u_k}{u^3} \right] \left[\frac{f_{\alpha}}{m_b} \frac{\partial f_b(\mathbf{v}')}{\partial v_{k'}} - \frac{f_b(\mathbf{v}')}{m_{\alpha}} \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial v_k} \right]$
- Results in frictional + thermal force: $F = F^0 + F^{\nabla T}$

Benchmark: NC IWP, NC TSE, Flow cancellation

$$R_{major} = 3\text{m}, B = 9\text{T}, r = 1\text{m}, n = 10^{20}\text{m}^{-3}, T = 250\text{eV}, t_{sim} = 70\text{ms}$$

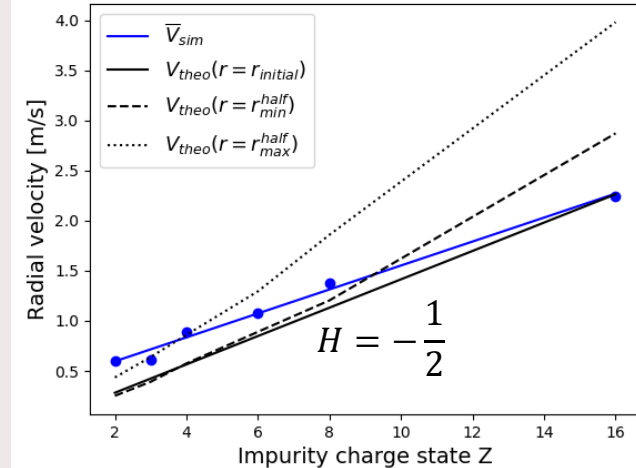
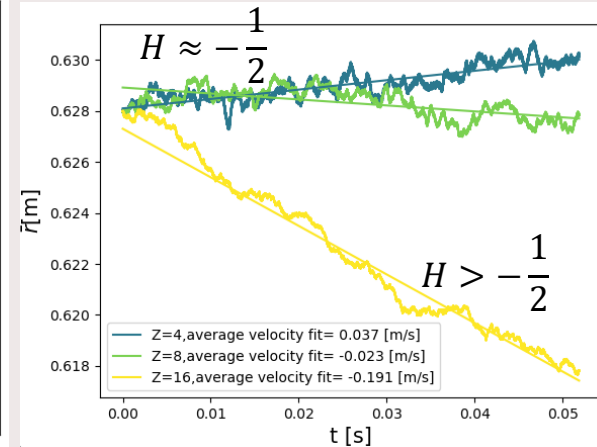
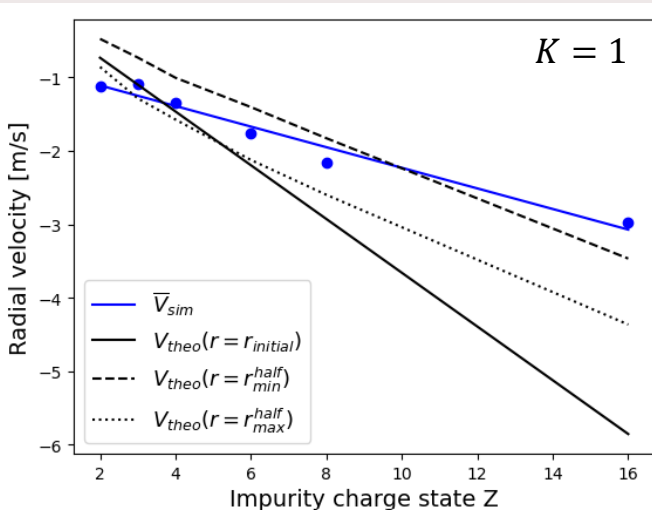
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Simulating W in AUG with RMPs

Particle model and physics included in this work

- **Included physics:**
 - Fully kinetic
 - Time-dependent
 - Test particle (no radiation feedback)
 - Atomic physics (ion/rec/rad)
 - Parallel friction (collisions with $H \approx -\frac{1}{2}$)
 - E_{\parallel} and $E \times B$ transport
 - In 3D, stochastic fields.
- **Not used for this case:**
 - Coupled particles, plasma-wall interaction

Computational cost:

Wall time: 29 hours

Simulated time: 72 ms

N particles: 10^6

N cpus: $9 \times 36 = 324$

CPU time $\sim 10^4$ cpuh

Setup AUG simulation with RMPs

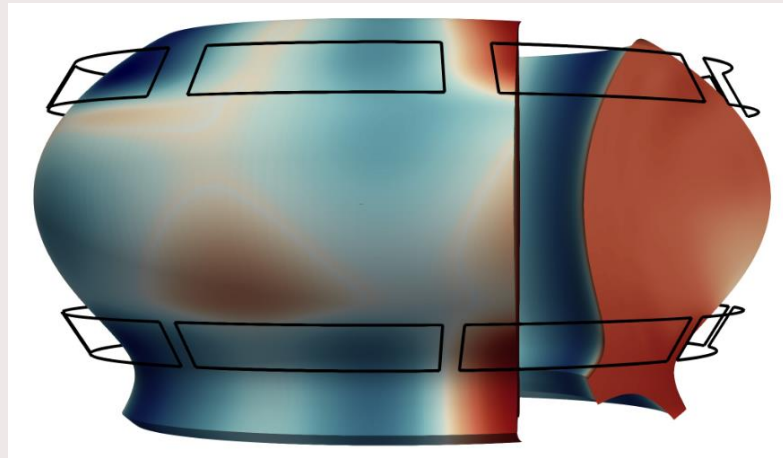
$$B_0 = -1.83\text{T},$$

$$I_p = 0.9\text{MA},$$

$$q_{95} = 3.6,$$

$$I_{rmp} = 0.9\sim 1.22\text{kA},$$

$$n_{rmp} = 2$$



[V Mitterauer et al 2022 J. Phys.: Conf. Ser. 2397 012008]

- What is the effect of the 3D'ness on radial transport?
 - In 3D, with RMPs
 - In 2D, without RMPs
(Ad hoc transport coefficient to force identical pedestal profile)
- Testing 2 effects:
 - Enhanced out flushing
 - Screening
- Qualitative behavior of W transport

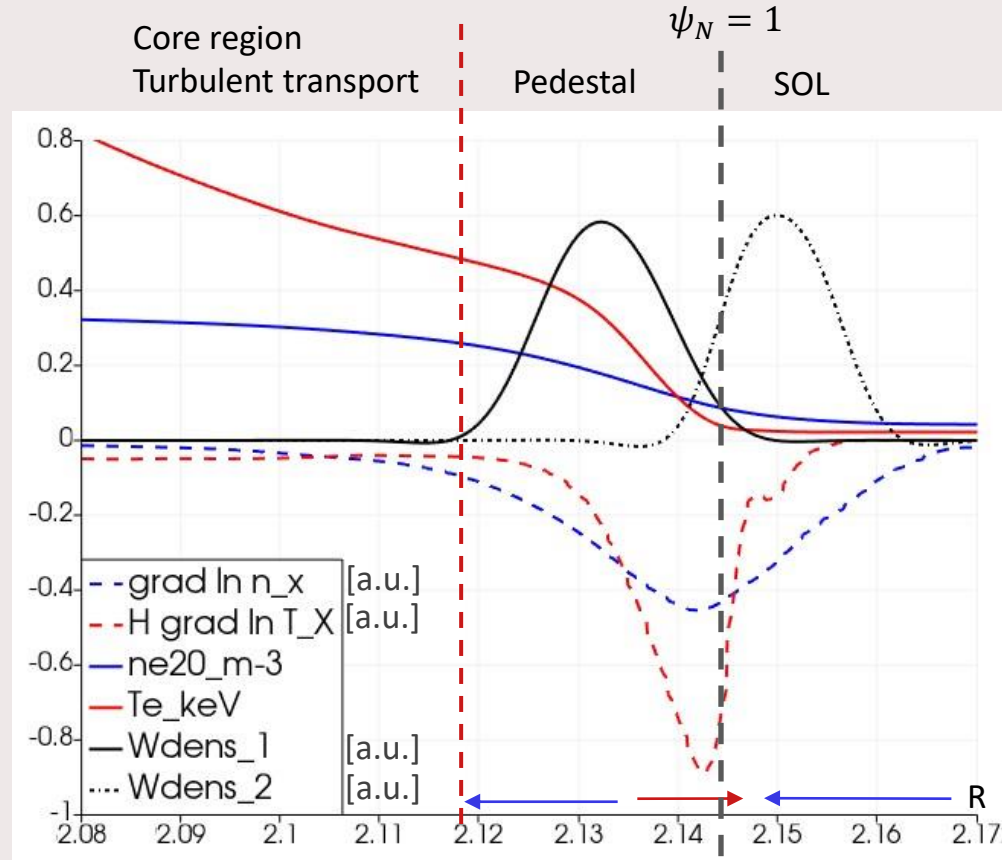
Initially with parallel friction only

Radial profiles

- Pedestal lowered due to RMPs
- Low density pedestal due to pump-out
- OMP profiles of background plasma \implies
- Initial W distribution \implies
- Axisymmetric, gaussian around a ψ_N
- Coronal equilibrium, $T = T_b$

$$\langle \mathbf{v}_z \cdot \nabla r \rangle^{NC} \propto \left(K \frac{1}{n_i} \frac{\partial n_i}{\partial r} - H \frac{1}{T_i} \frac{\partial T_i}{\partial r} \right)$$

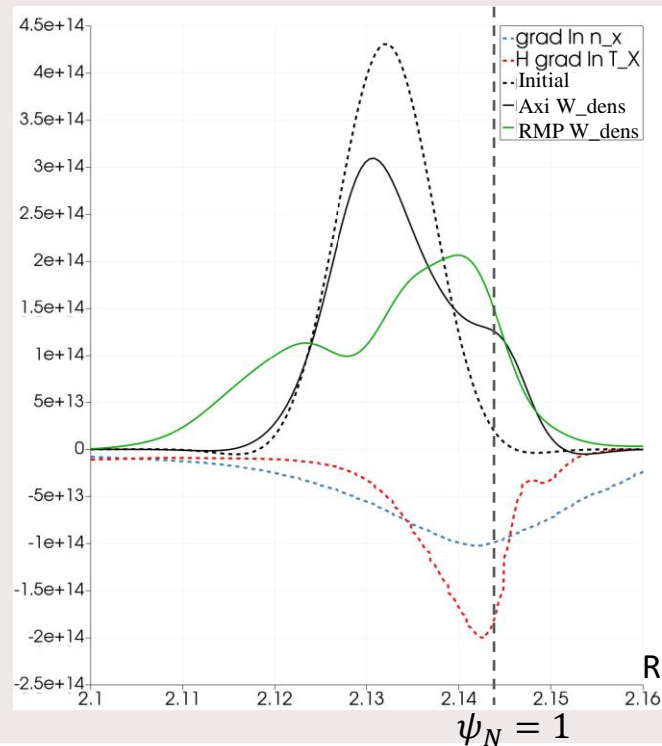
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Pedestal and edge results

Parallel smoothed W projection for flux surface average transport
Pedestal at OMP for indication

- After 10 ms
- RMP results in
 - Enhanced diffusion
 - Enhanced convection (outflushing)

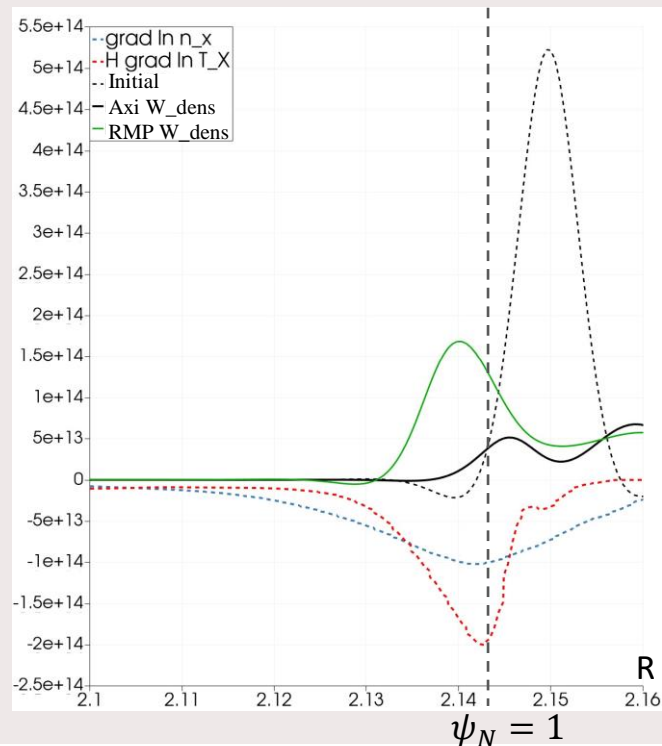


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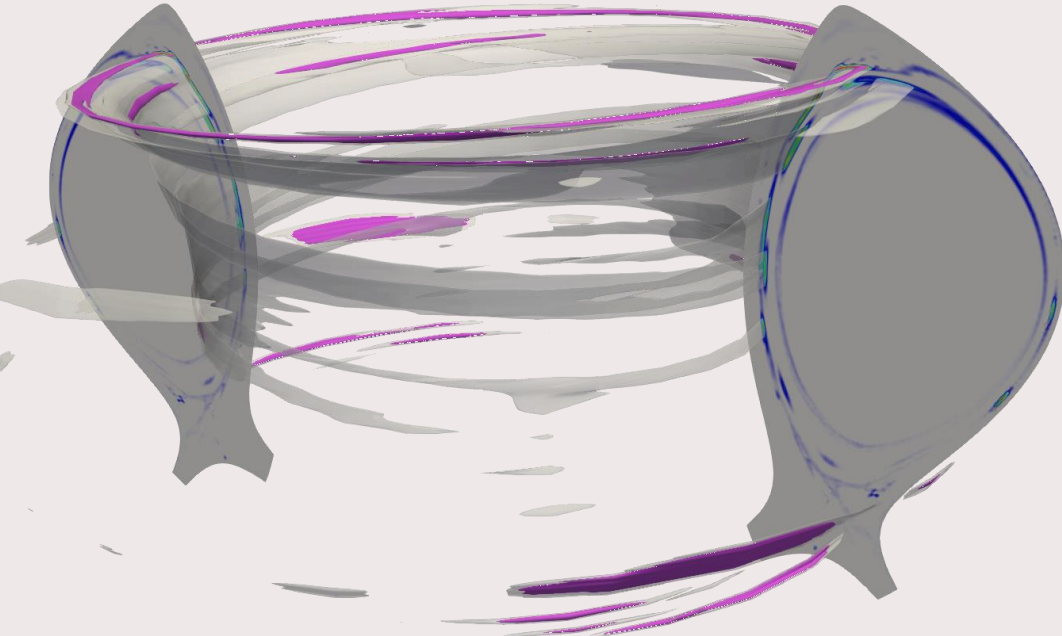
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 - Enhanced diffusion
 - Enhanced convection (inwards)
- Axisymmetric case, W quickly decays in SOL
 - SOL is in convection-dominated regime
low $\nabla_{\parallel} T$
- W remains in the pedestal region and slowly diffuses
- However, transport and profiles are not axisymmetric

This is not the full picture!



Possibility of W trapping in potential wells



Contour: medium W density

Contour: high W density

- W density and transport strongest at HFS and Top,
- Localized trapping at the bottom of the pedestal and SOL due to electric potential wells.

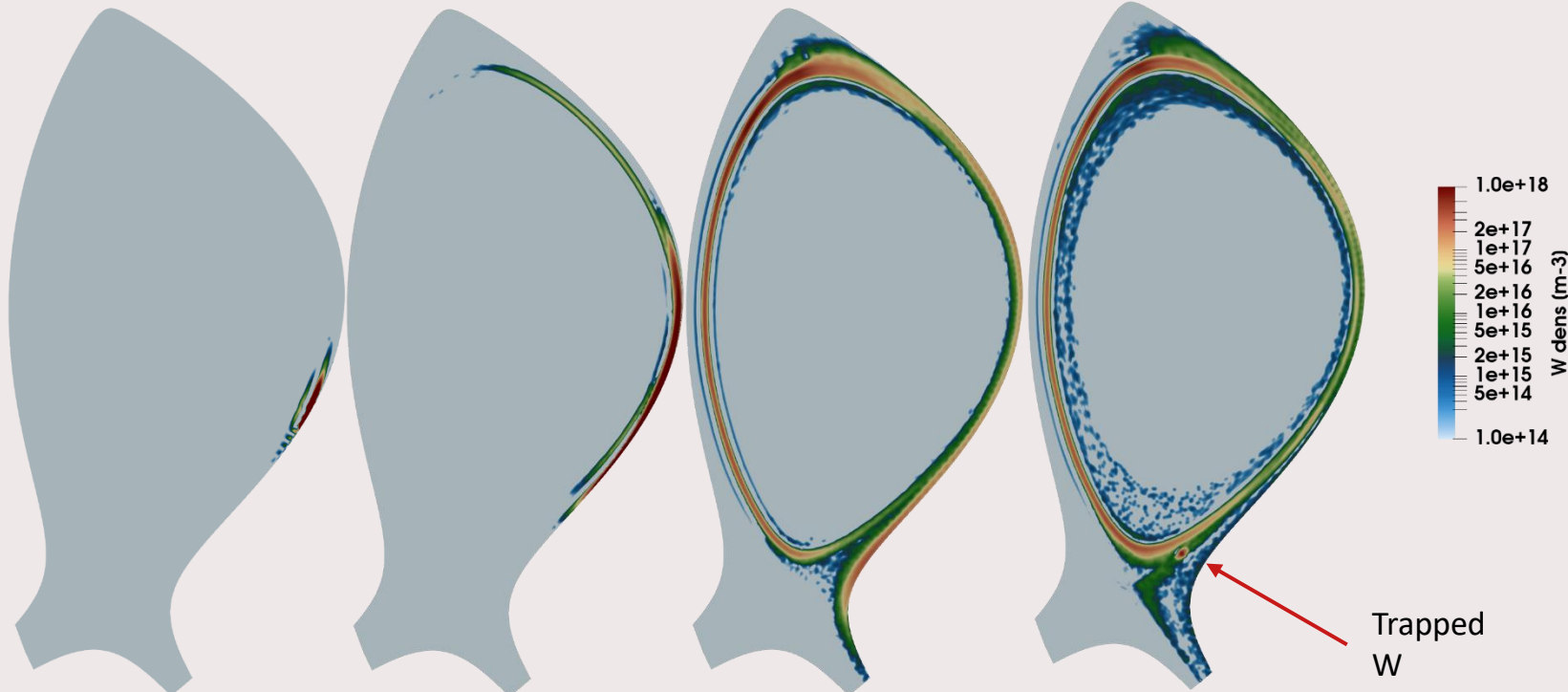
W-LBO in AUG

$t - t_0 = 0.05$ ms

0.24 ms

1.5 ms

7 ms



N=0 component of the projected W density

Summary & Outlook

- **JOREK + particles capabilities**
 - Free-boundary visco-resistive-MHD with grid up to first wall
 - (trace and coupled) Kinetic particles with effects from:
 - E&M fields, stochastic field lines, ionization/recombination/radiation, NC collisions, sputtering
- **JOREK particles reproduces neoclassical transport**
 - NC Diffusion, NC Inward Pinch, NC Temperature screening, flow cancellation with $H \approx -\frac{1}{2}$
- **First demonstration of time dependent W transport in AUG RMP**
 - With Neoclassical collisions, E-field and stochastic field lines
- **RMP enables more transport through the pedestal in both directions**

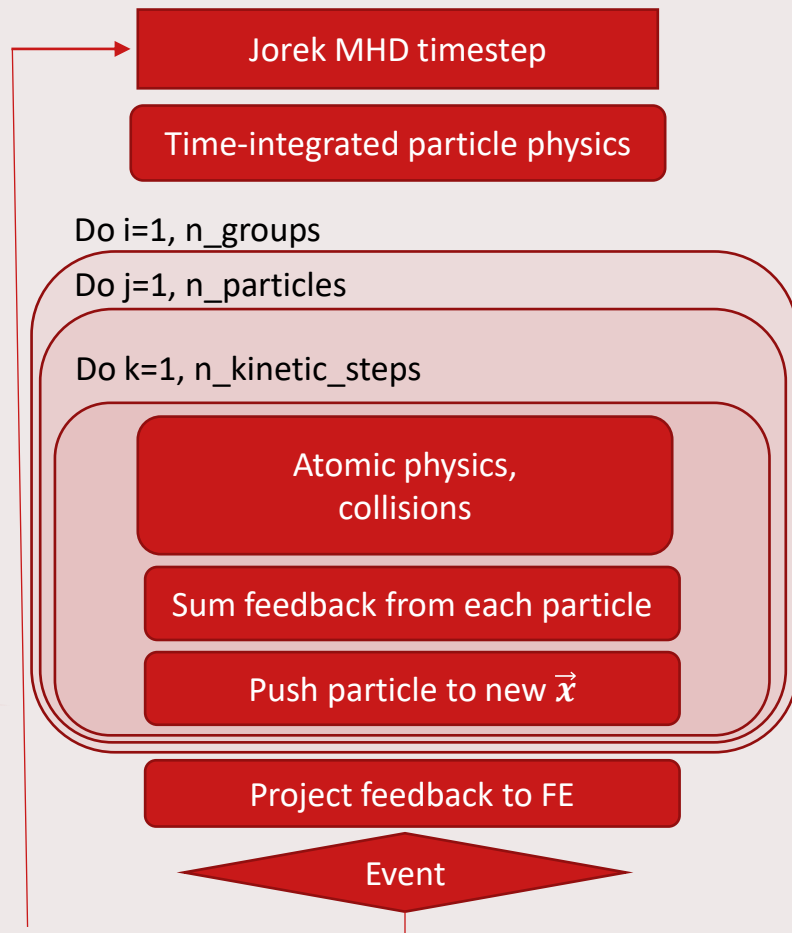
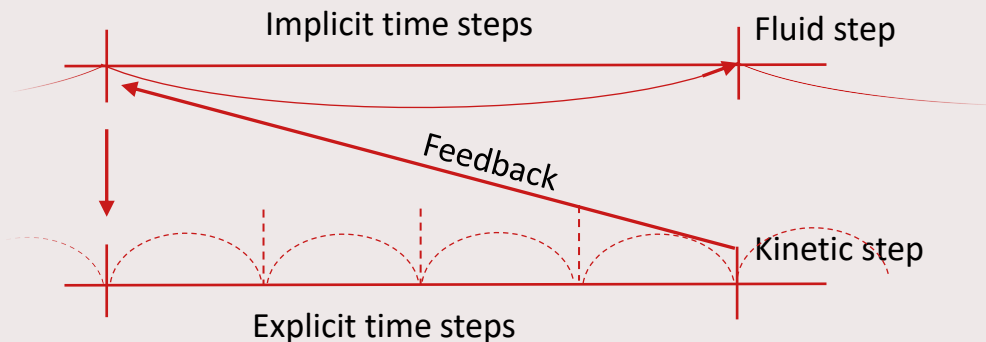
Outlook:

- More realistic scenario to replicate experiment
 - Fine-tuning physics models
- Neutral+impurities+sputtering+coupling
- Improved collision operator
- Synthetic spectrometer diagnostic

Backup slides

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Coupling and Projection to Finite Elements

Coupling in the JOEREK form of the equations

$$\rho \frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{v}) = S_\rho$$

$$\rho \frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} + \rho (\nabla \cdot \vec{v}) \vec{v} + \nabla \cdot \bar{\bar{P}} = \vec{S}_v - \vec{v} S_\rho$$

$$\frac{\partial (\frac{3}{2} \rho T)}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \cdot \nabla (\frac{3}{2} \rho T) + \frac{5}{2} \rho T (\nabla \cdot \vec{v}) = S_E - v S_v + \frac{1}{2} v^2 S_\rho$$

With :

$$S_\rho(\vec{x}) = \int mf(\vec{x}, \vec{v}) d\vec{v}$$

$$S_v(\vec{x}) = \int m\vec{v}f(\vec{x}, \vec{v}) d\vec{v}$$

$$S_E(\vec{x}) = \int \frac{1}{2} mv^2 f(\vec{x}, \vec{v}) d\vec{v}$$

Express source in JOEREK FE representation to obtain a continuous function from a list of discrete particles

$$\tilde{S}_\rho(\vec{x}) = \sum_{ijk} p_{\rho,ijk} H_{ij}(s,t) H_{\phi,k}(\phi)$$

Projection using weak form:

$$\int v^*(\vec{x}) \tilde{S}_\rho(\vec{x}) d\vec{x} = \int v^* S_\rho(\vec{x}) d\vec{x}$$

$$\int v^*(s,t,\phi) \sum_{ijk} p_{\rho,ijk} H_{ij}(s,t) H_{\phi,k}(\phi) d\vec{x} = \int v^* mf(\vec{x}, \vec{v}) d\vec{v} d\vec{x}$$

$$\int v^*(s,t,\phi) \sum_{ijk} p_{\rho,ijk} H_{ij}(s,t) H_{\phi,k}(\phi) d\vec{x} = \sum_n v^* m w_n \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_n)$$

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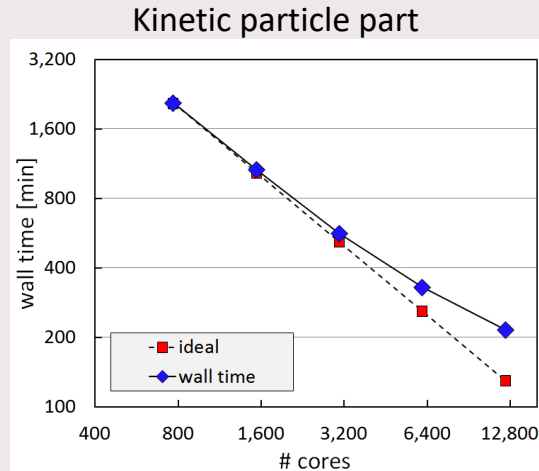
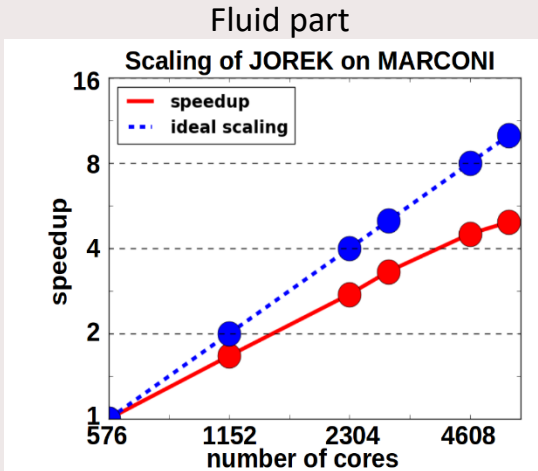
$$\int v^*(\vec{x}) (1 - \lambda \nabla^2 - \zeta \nabla^4) \tilde{S}_\rho(\vec{x}) d\vec{x} = \int v^* S_\rho(\vec{x}) d\vec{x}$$

$$\int (v^* \tilde{S}_\rho + \lambda \nabla v \cdot \nabla \tilde{S}_\rho + \zeta \nabla^2 v^* \nabla^2 \tilde{S}_\rho) d\vec{x} = \int v^* S_\rho(\vec{x}) d\vec{x}$$

JOREK Parallelization

- MPI + openMP
- Main parts
 - Matrix construction, Preconditioner factorization, GMRES solve step

Scales very well
Scaling problematic

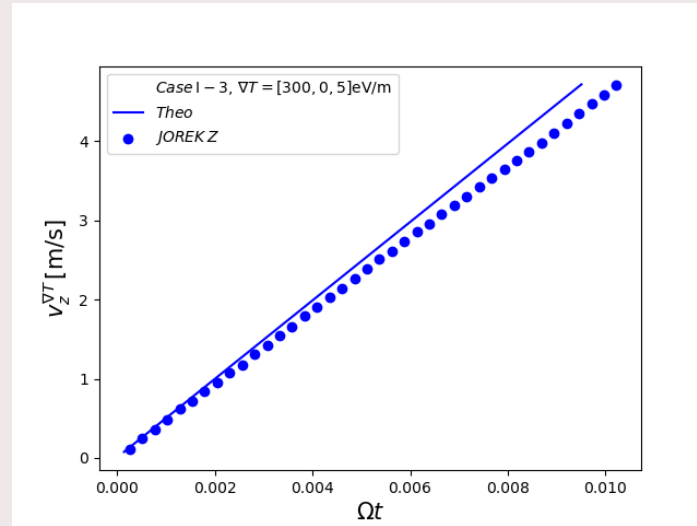
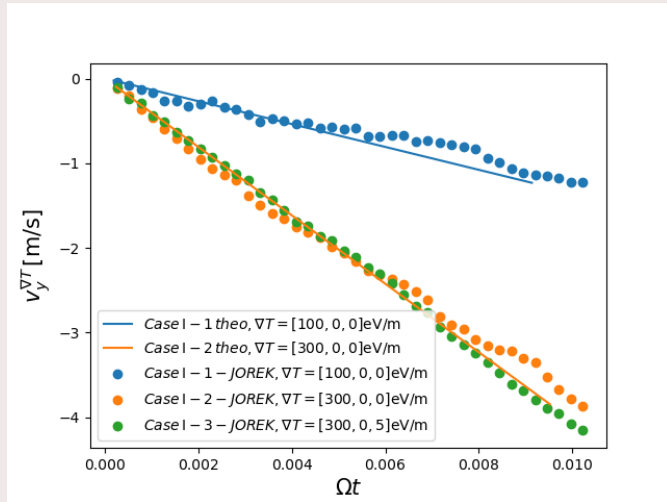


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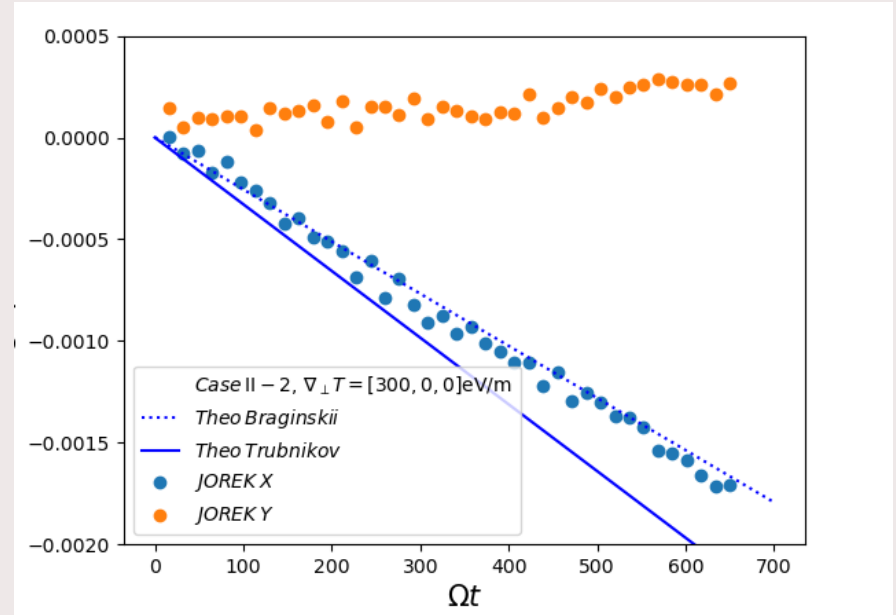
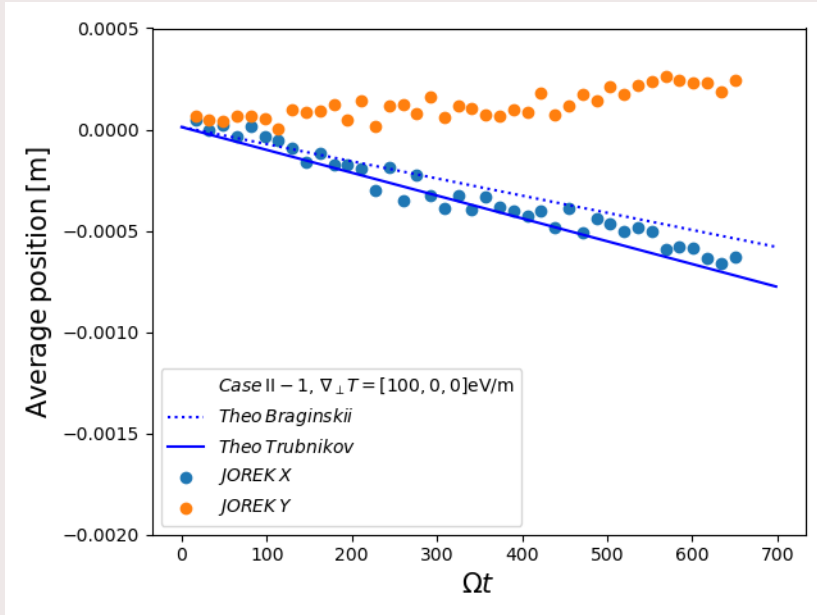
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Collisions benchmarks

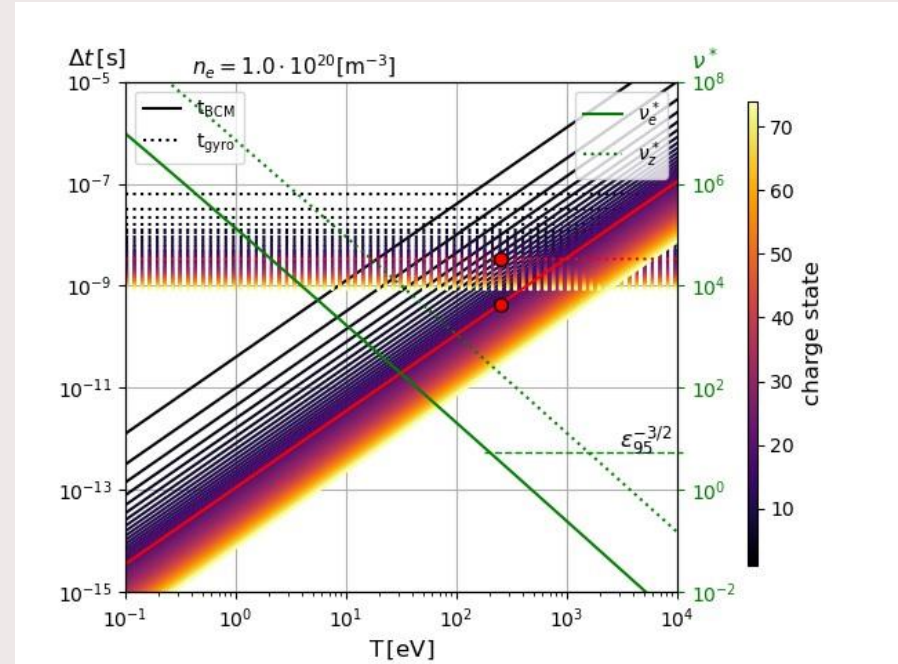
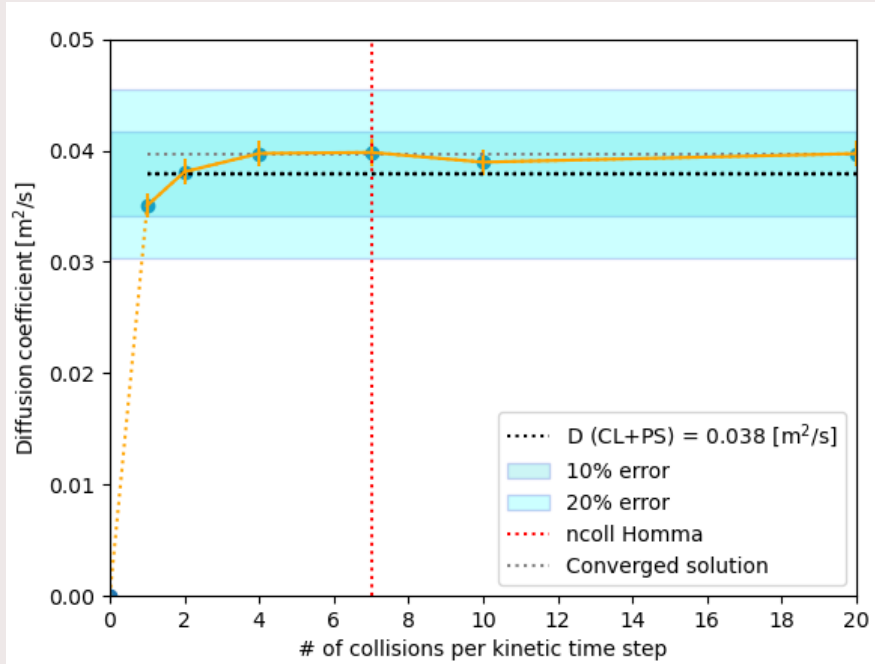
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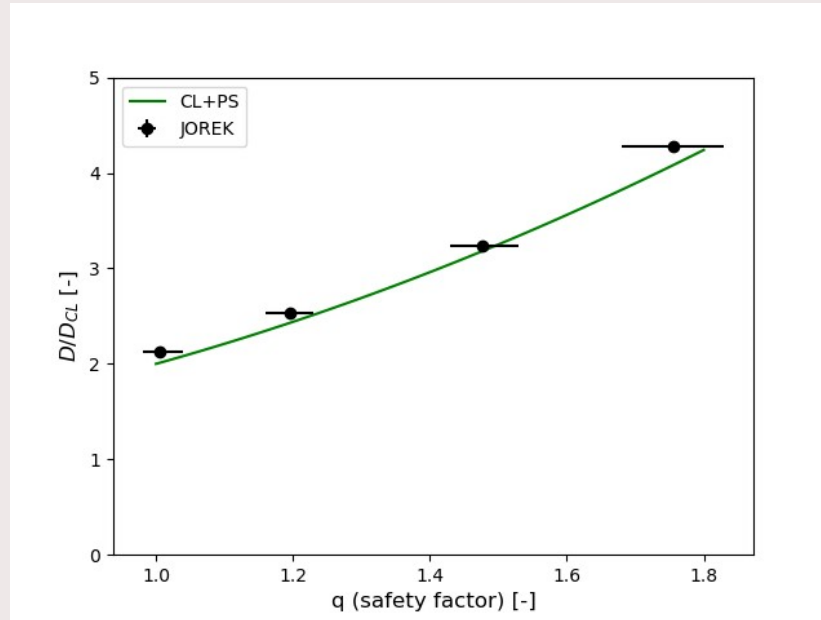
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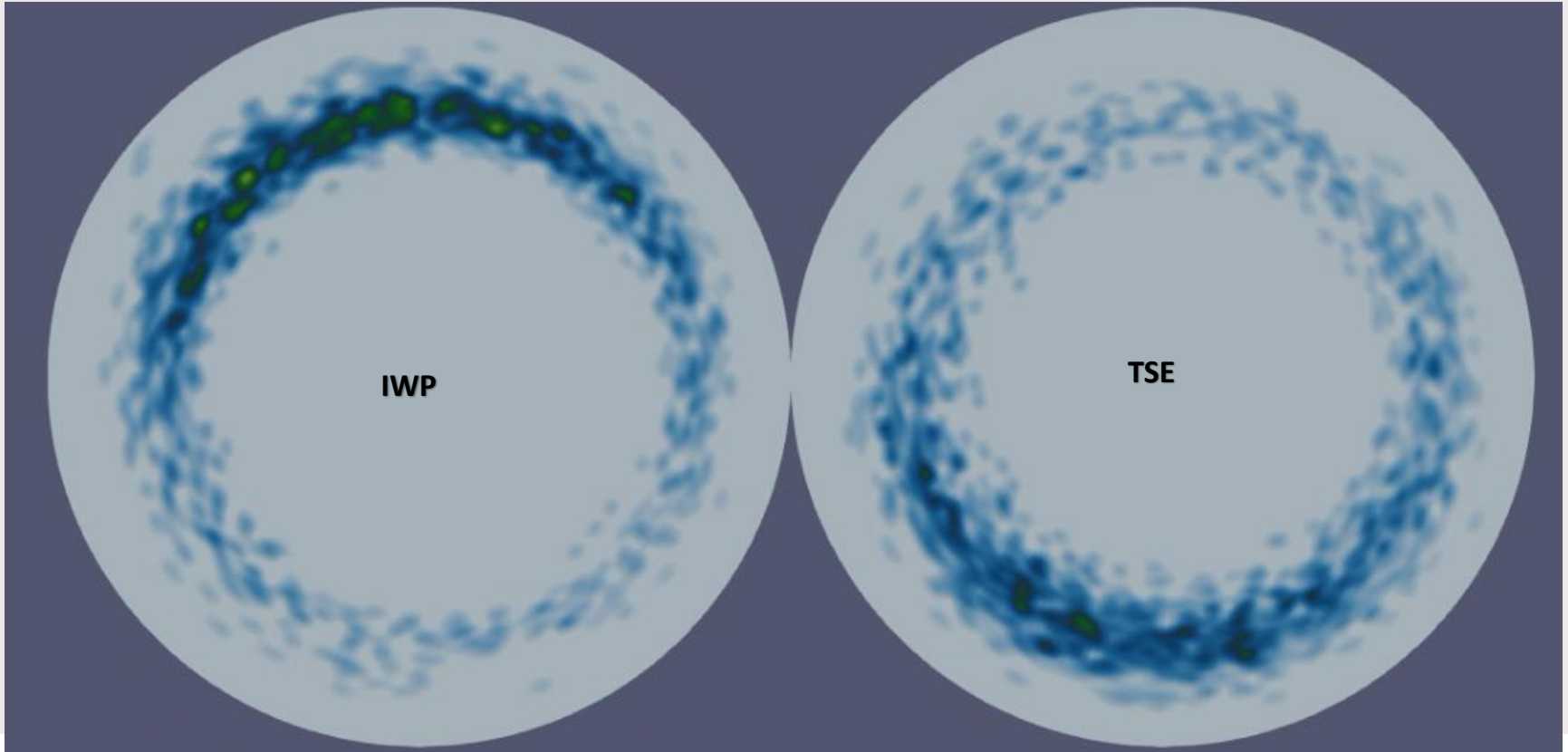


Convergence of gyro and Collision time steps



Diffusions as function of safety factor





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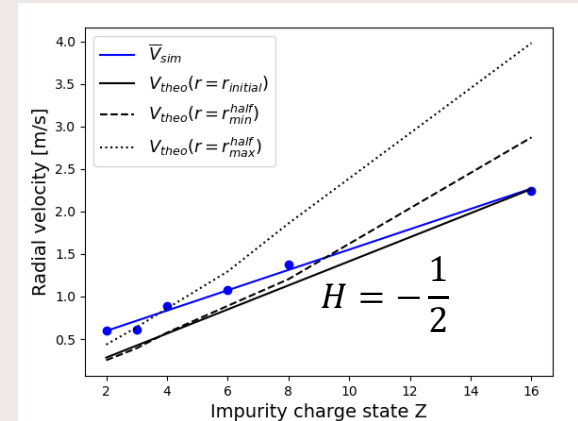
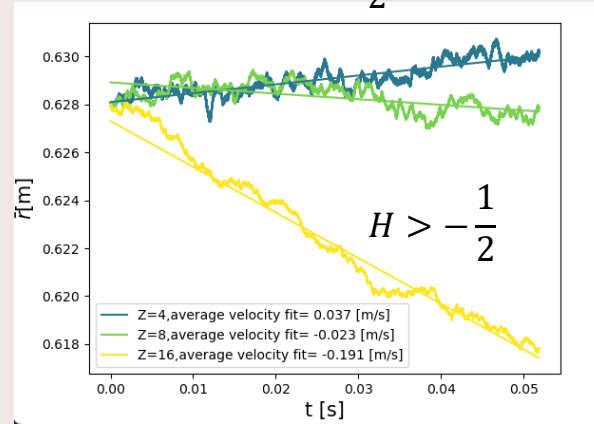
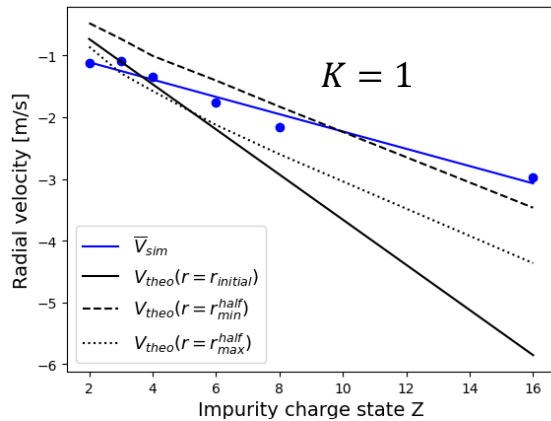
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W-LBO in AUG

W core relaxation 100~200 ms

