



Modelling of W erosion/redeposition in DTT 3D geometry with the ERO2.0 code

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Introduction: erosion and impurity migration



Extreme operational conditions for materials in fusion environment:

- **heat loads** up to $10\text{-}100 \text{ MW m}^{-2}$
- **particle fluxes** up to $10^{24} \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$



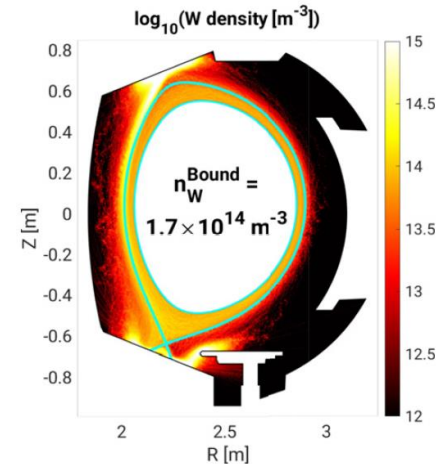
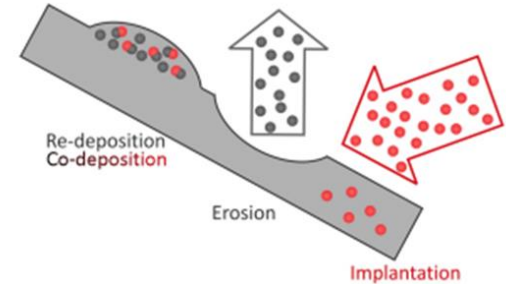
Consequences:

- **erosion** of exposed materials, setting limit to components lifetime
- plasma dilution and cooling due to **migration** of eroded materials in core

Necessity to quantitatively measure these phenomena in a tokamak with appropriate diagnostics



Inputs to DTT design



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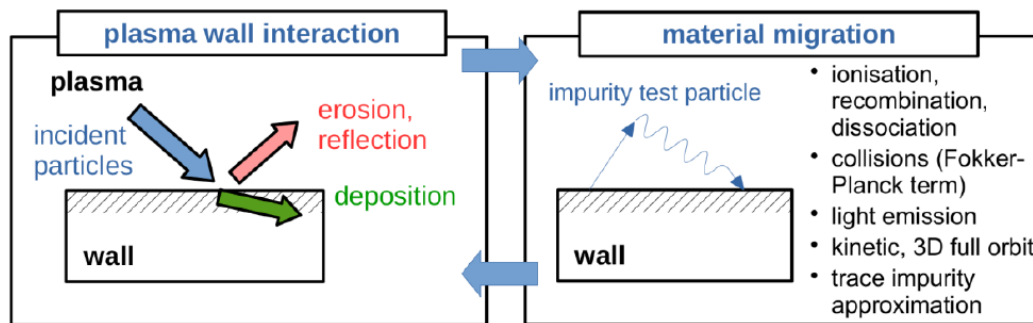
Objectives

1. Evaluate distribution of **W erosion** and **redeposition** on DTT divertor and first wall, in view of assessing optimal position for erosion/deposition **diagnostics**
2. Analyze W contribution to plasma **core contamination**, estimating W flux crossing the separatrix towards the core

Plasma reference scenarios: DTT high power scenario in SN, XD, NT, detached with seeding and attached in pure D



3D Monte-Carlo and impurity transport code



Input

Plasma background (n , T , velocity)
Magnetic equilibrium
Reflection/erosion yields, atomic data
3D walls geometry

Output

Erosion/deposition pattern
Core contamination
Microscale morphology evolution
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Limitations for this study:

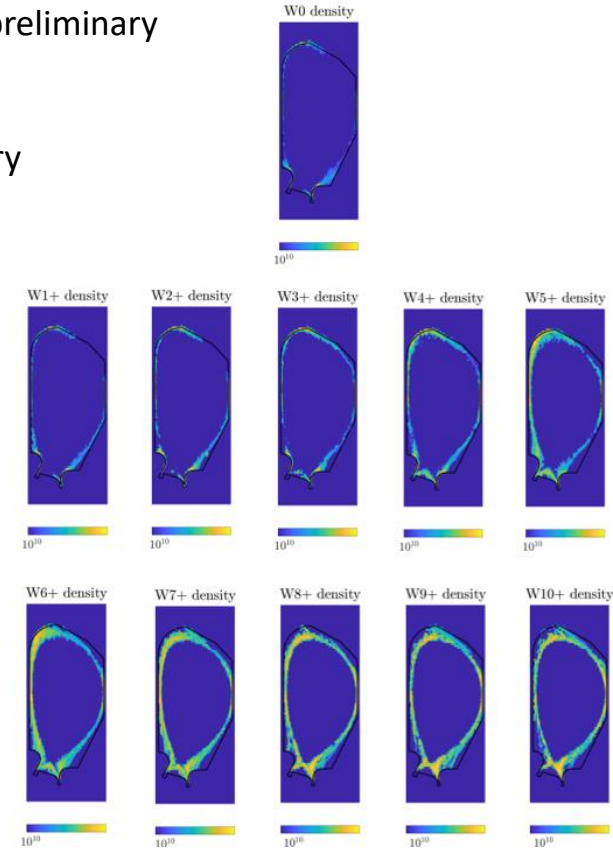
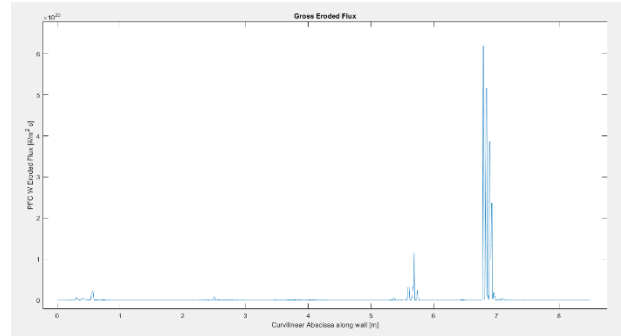
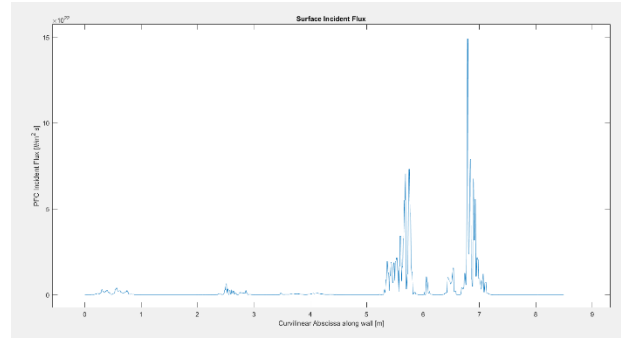
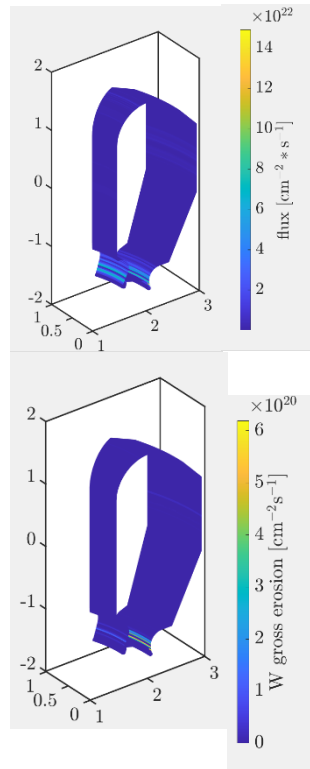
- Plasma considered as background, plasma ions not traced -> assumptions e.g. for incidence angle
- Can acquire full distributions of only one plasma species at a time -> seeding?
- Difficulties in simulating ELMs erosion, especially due to quickly variable plasma background

Preliminary previous results: Attached case with D⁺ background



First assessment of the order of magnitude of DTT PFCs erosion, simulating a preliminary attached case:

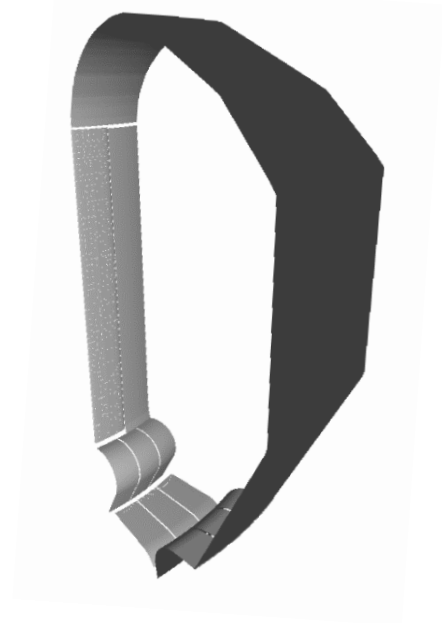
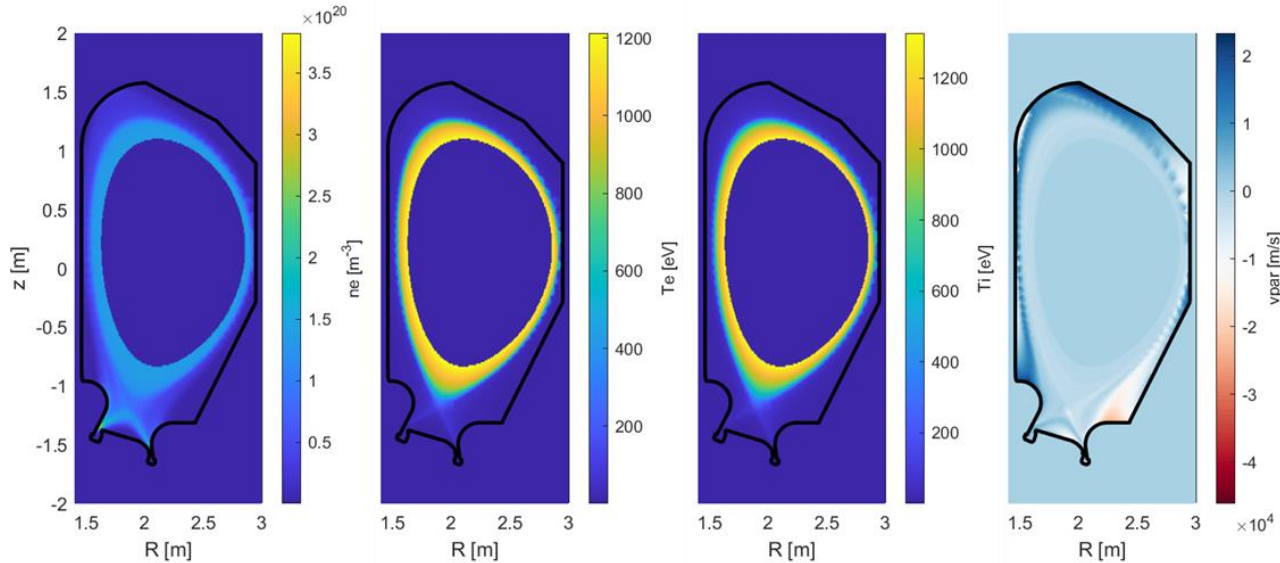
- in **divertor** configuration, to estimate divertor erosion
- in **limiter** configuration, for limiter erosion in symmetric and shaped geometry



Work and images by F. Cani



- Plasma background from previous SOLEDGE simulations
- 3D toroidally symmetric geometry -> wall shaping may be considered at later stage
- SDTrimSP database for sputtering/reflection yields



SOLEDGE background produced by P. Innocente
Images: courtesy of F. Cini



Limitations

Strategy

Incidence angle of plasma species, not traced by ERO (sheath deflection)



Parametric scan on incidence angle, indications from PIC simulations

Seeding impurities in plasma background, full distribution of > 1 species not acquirable by ERO



Use variable M_{eff} and Z_{eff} in plasma to overcome constant distribution assumption

Erosion estimation during **ELMs**



Not directly simulated, scan on W concentration in inter-ELM phase to partially account for ELMs effect



1. **Attached pure D-plasma** in **SN** configuration, symmetric 3D wall, no CX neutrals erosion
 - a. Investigate effect of ion incidence angle assumption for plasma
 - b. Investigate effect of W impurities presence in inter-ELM phase due to ELMs
2. Refine obtained results considering:
 - a. Erosion due to **CX neutrals**
 - b. Possibility to consider **wall shaping** and **shadowing**
3. Estimate **W crossing the separatrix** coming from different parts of the wall
4. Select cases of interest to compare obtained results with **XD**, **NT** and in **detached** with seeding conditions



Thank you for your attention!



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