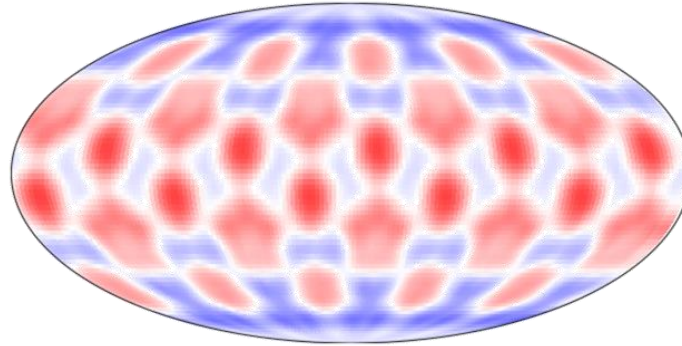


# HEDP modelling capabilities



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Gorgon / Chimera capabilities and recent updates

Spectroscopy and synthetic diagnostic tools

Neutron transport and diagnostic tools

Other rad-hydro & HEDP tools available

## Gorgon Code



- 3D Cartesian, Cylindrical & Spherical Eulerian (**1D Lagrangian**)
- Extended MHD Generalized Ohm's Law -Biermann battery, Nernst, cross-Nernst, electron inertia & Hall term (different solver)
- Anisotropic magnetised heat flow (3D super-stepping or **1D implicit**),
- Righi-Leduc, Ettinghausen. Spitzer/Braginskii conductivity models or Lee-More-Desjarlais / Sesame table interface
- Two temperature (electrons and ions) Equation of State
  - FEOs/Sesame file interface or inline Thomas-Fermi model
- 3D Laser ray tracing
- Multi-group radiation loss with probability of escape model.
  - Radiation and atomic data from in house CRE, DCA code 'Spk'.
- SLIC, level-set and **Young's model** interface tackers, etc.
- CAD file import, external circuit models,

## Chimera Variant

- Multi-group explicit  $P_{1/3}$  automatic flux limited or **variable Eddington factor** radiation transport.
  - Radiation and atomic data from in house CRE, DCA code 'Spk'.
- 3D advanced laser ray tracing, inverse projection, **Cross-Beam Energy Transfer**.
- Magnetised Monte Carlo fast particle and alpha-burn package with different stopping models (Spitzer, Maynard-Deutsch-Zimmerman) and dynamic population management.
- Full stress tensor & Johnson Cook material strength model

# Gorgon/Chimera Code

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{u}) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial(\rho \vec{u})}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{u} \vec{u}) = -\nabla(p_e + p_i) + \vec{j} \times \vec{B}$$

$$\frac{\partial U_i}{\partial t} + \vec{u} \cdot \nabla U_i = -p_i \nabla \cdot \vec{u} - \nabla \cdot \vec{q}_i - Q_{ei}$$

$$\frac{\partial U_e}{\partial t} + \vec{u}_e \cdot \nabla U_e = -p_e \nabla \cdot \vec{u}_e - \nabla \cdot \vec{q}_e + Q_{ei} + Q_{Ohmic} - Q_{Radiation} + Q_{Laser} + \dots$$

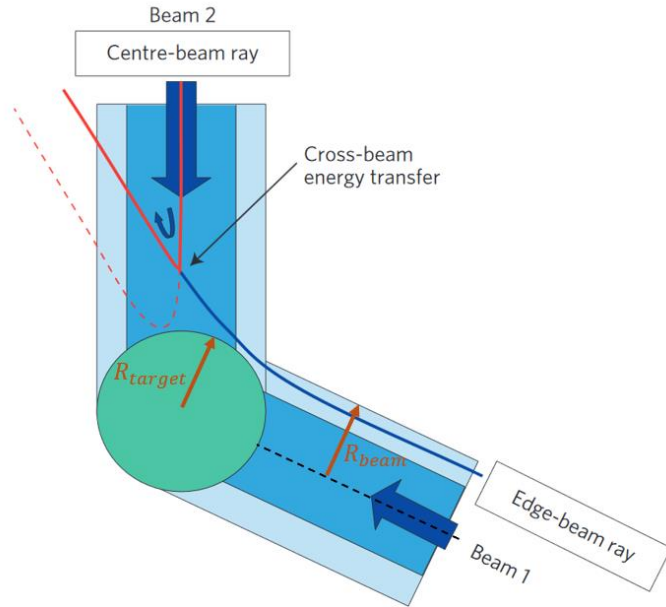
$$\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = -\nabla \times \vec{E}$$

$$\vec{q}_e = \frac{n_e T_e \tau_e}{m_e} \underline{\underline{\kappa}} \cdot \nabla T_e - \frac{1}{e} T_e \left( \underline{\underline{\beta}} + \frac{5}{2} \underline{\underline{1}} \right) \cdot \vec{j}$$

$$\vec{E} = -\vec{u} \times \vec{B} + \frac{\vec{j} \times \vec{B}}{en_e} - \frac{\nabla \cdot P_e}{en_e} + \frac{m_e}{e^2 n_e \tau_e} \underline{\underline{\alpha}} \cdot \vec{j} - \frac{1}{e} \underline{\underline{\beta}} \cdot \nabla T_e$$

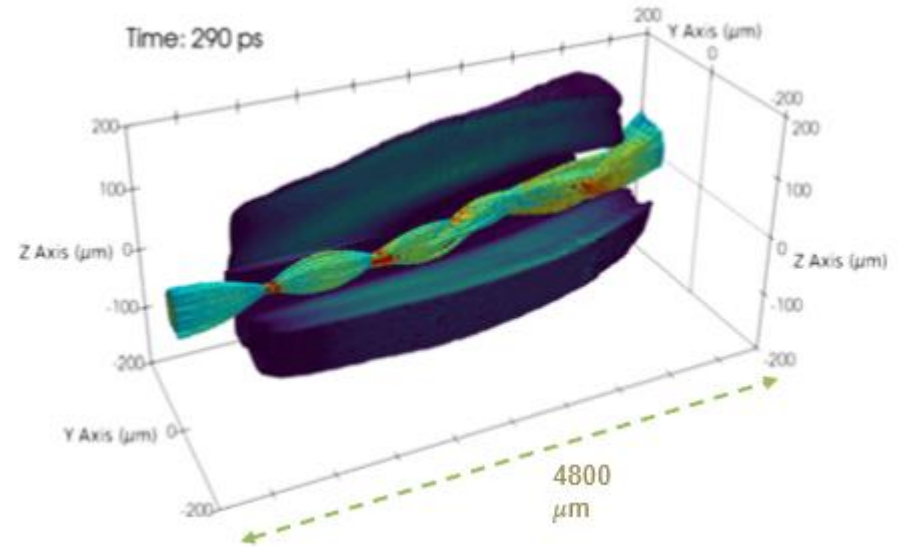


# Cross-Beam Energy Transfer in Chimera

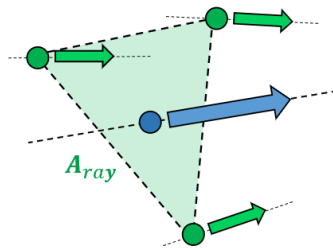


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Non-linear self focusing in gas target on Vulcan

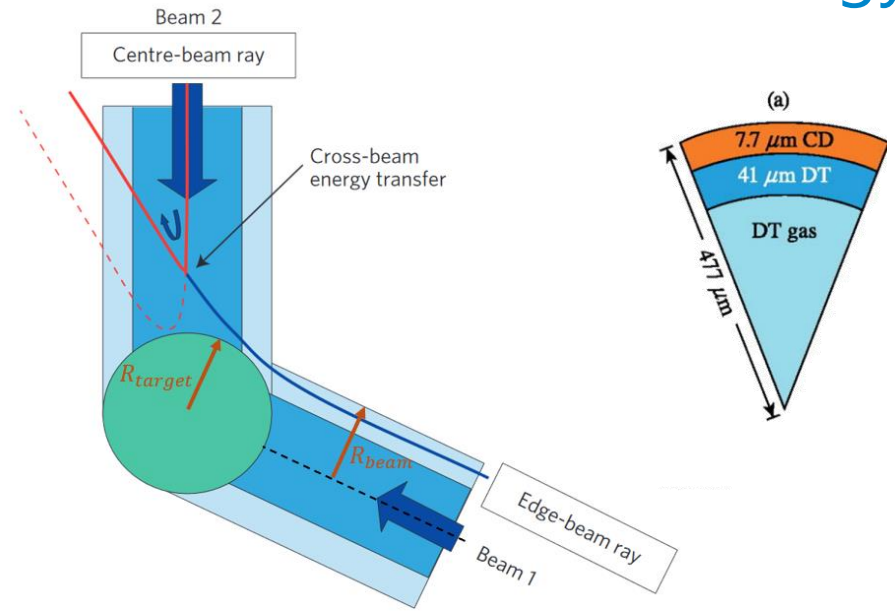


$$E_{ray} = \frac{E_0}{\epsilon^{-1/4}} \frac{A_0}{A_{ray}}$$

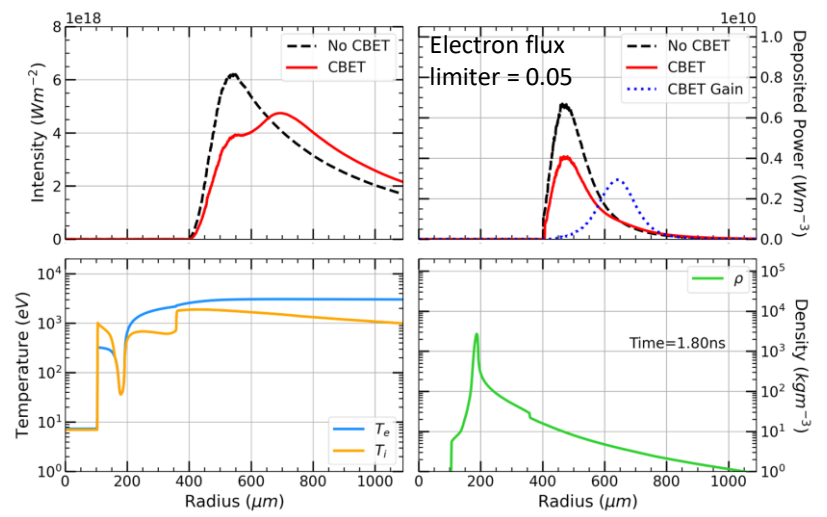


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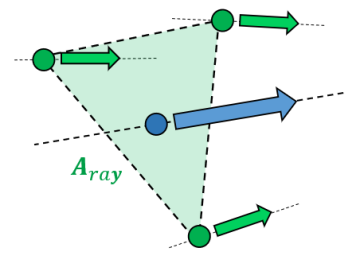
1D hydro + 3D ray trace shows drive deficit



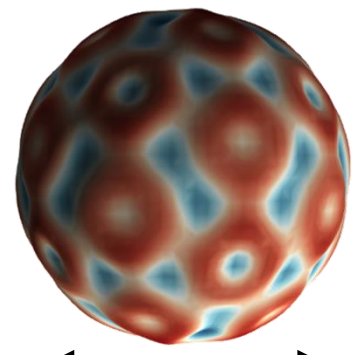
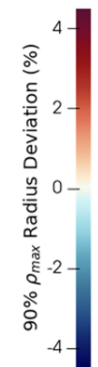
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Time: 2.15 ns



Density contour plot at  $CR = 5$  shows that significant low-mode asymmetries imprinted

~200 μm

$$\frac{\partial E_\nu}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \vec{F}_\nu = -\kappa_\nu c E_\nu + 4\pi j_\nu$$

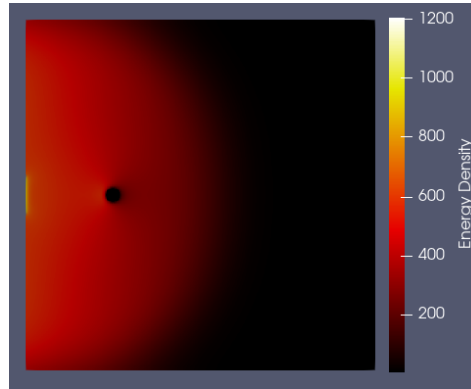
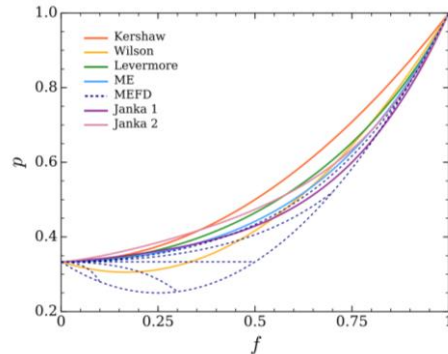
$$\frac{\partial \vec{F}_\nu}{\partial t} = -c^2 \nabla \cdot \vec{P} - \kappa c \vec{F}_\nu$$

Constant 1000eV source, travelling only in  $\hat{x}$   
Vacuum medium, Purely absorbing obstacle

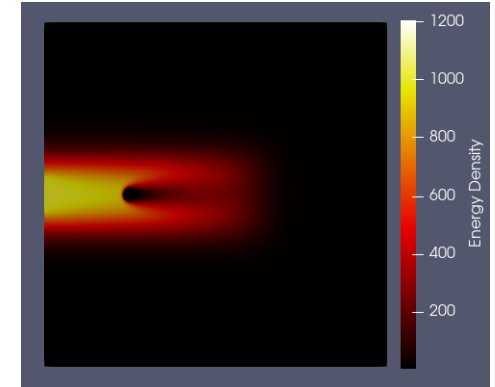
P1 Closure

Kershaw Closure

$$P_\nu^{ij} = \frac{3p - 1}{2} P_{\text{thin}}^{ij} + \frac{3(1 - p)}{2} P_{\text{thick}}^{ij},$$

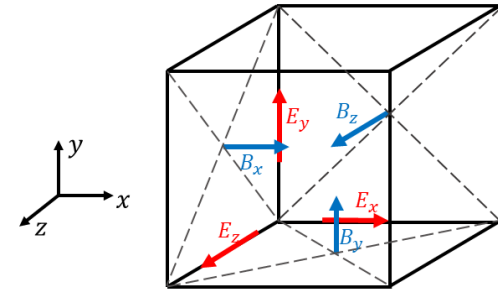


Flux is in the direction of  $\nabla E$   
Isotropic propagation  
No shadow



Radiation propagates in  $\hat{x}$   
Casts shadow  
Numerical diffusion present

Figure 1. The closure relations for the Eddington factor  $p = P_{ij}^{ij}/E$ , as the function of flux factor  $f = F_x^x/E$ . The MEFD closure is a two-parameter function and is represented by series of curves for  $\epsilon = 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.5, 0.7$  and  $0.9$ . The bottom curve is the limit of maximal packing. In the limit  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ , the MEFD closure reduces to its classical limit, the ME closure, represented by the solid blue line (see Section 3.4).



Magnetic field from induction equation

Electric field either from:

Ampere's Law: circuit coupling with transmission line models

Generalised Ohm's Law

Solved with a leapfrog scheme on a staggered Yee grid

**Hall:** field advected with electrons on small scales

$$\mathbf{E} = -\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B} + \frac{\alpha}{e^2 n_e^2} \cdot \mathbf{j} + \frac{\beta}{e} \cdot \nabla T_e + \frac{\mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{B}}{en_e} - \frac{m_e}{e^2 n_e} \frac{\partial \mathbf{j}}{\partial t}$$

**Frozen-in-flow:**  
'field moves with fluid flow'

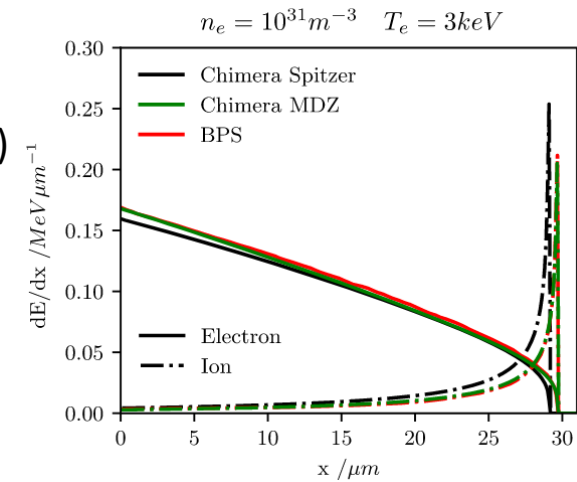
**Resistive diffusion:**  
field diffuses into resistive plasma

**Electrothermal effects:**  
esp. Nernst, field advected down temperature gradients

**Electron inertia:**  
determines current on smallest scales



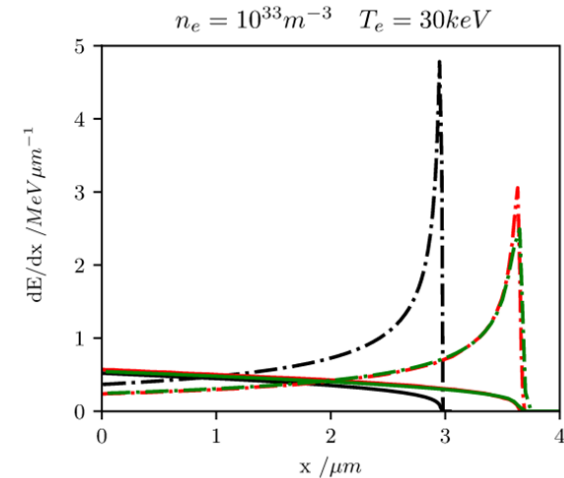
- In-line model for primary DT fusion  $\alpha$  particle heating
- Fast charged particle push including magnetized trajectories
- Monte Carlo stopping model [M. Sherlock, *J. Comp. Phys.*, 227, 4 (2008)]
- Stopping powers from Spitzer or Maynard-Deutsch (weak coupling, quantum scattering and long-range collective oscillations in an arbitrarily degenerate plasma)
- Dynamic population management with linked list memory structure



Friction 
$$\frac{\partial v_{\alpha\parallel}}{\partial t} = -A(1 + m_{\alpha}/m_{\beta}) \frac{G(x)}{v_{\beta}^2}$$

Diffusion 
$$\frac{\partial v_{\alpha\parallel}^2}{\partial t} = AG(x)/v_{\alpha}$$

$$\frac{\partial v_{\alpha\perp}^2}{\partial t} = A \frac{\text{erf}(x) - G(x)}{v_{\alpha}}$$



Detailed configuration accounting microphysics code for ionisation, opacities and EoS

Key features:

Analytic atomic model (SHM+NIST)

Effective temperature CRE

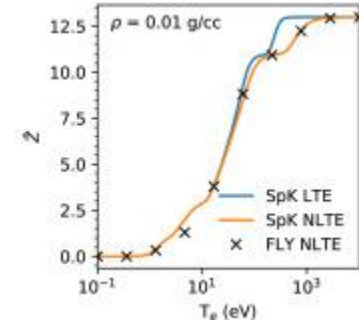
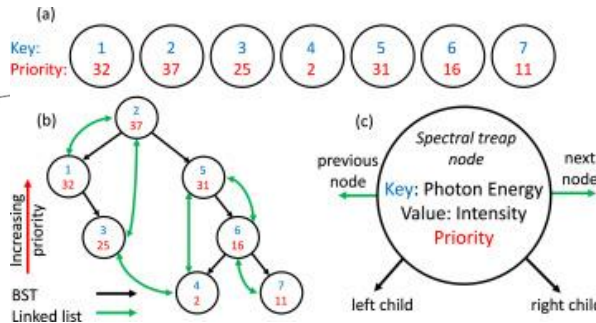
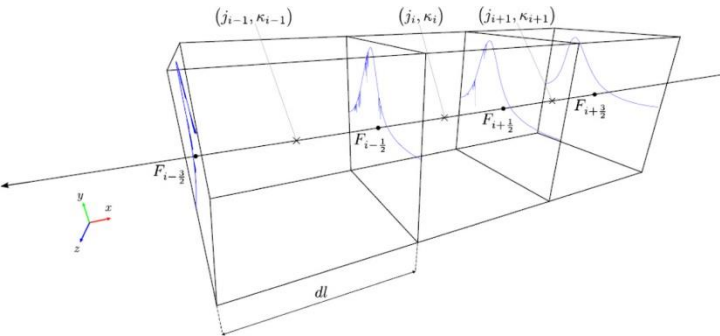
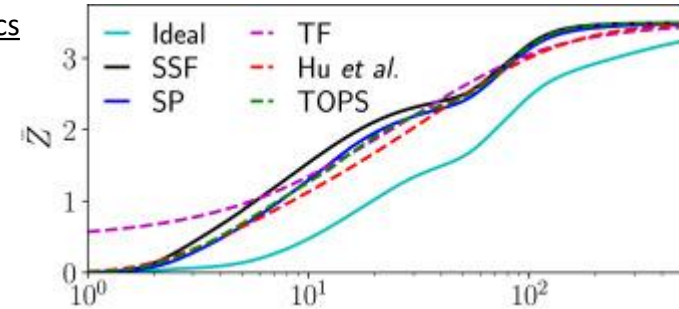
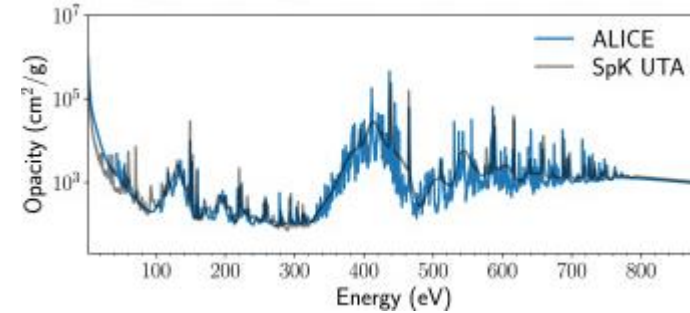
Unresolved transition arrays

IPD models including Stewart-Pyatt and Lin-Roepke

Treap-based data structure for spectra



High Energy Density Physics  
**48**, 101053 (2023).



## X-ray & XUV

X-ray filtered imaging and spectra

Including self emission and absorption using either opacity groups or detailed spectral modelling (SpK)

X-ray backlighting

## laser

shadowgraphy, Schlieren, interferometry, Faraday rotation, Thomson scattering, refractometer

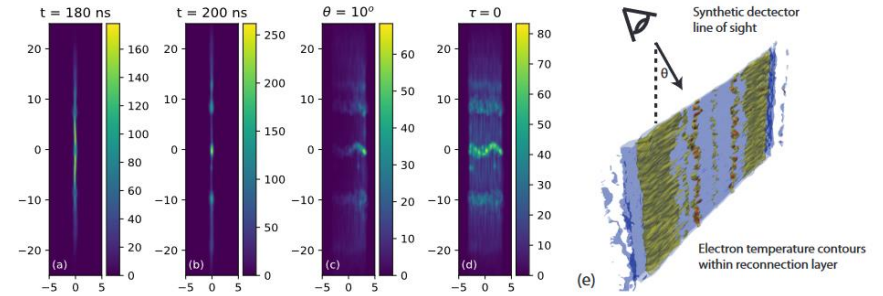
## other

proton deflectometry,

charged particle imaging

neutron imaging and spectra including downscatter and backscatter

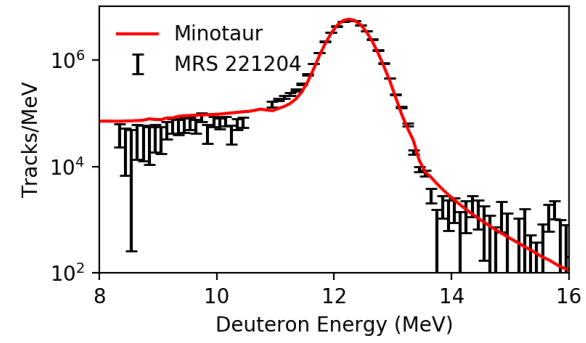
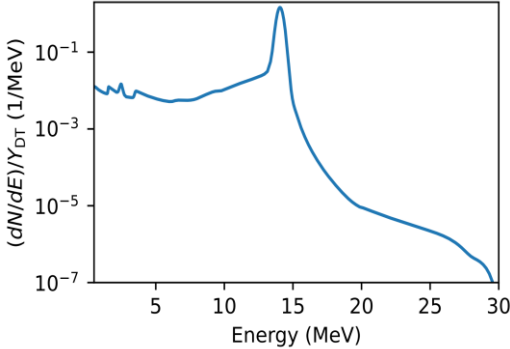
beam-target and thermonuclear neutrons



Synthetic time-resolved X-ray images filtered by  $2\mu\text{m}$  of Mylar from different viewing angles in a magnetic reconnection experiment on Z using SpK NLTE emissivity and opacity tables.

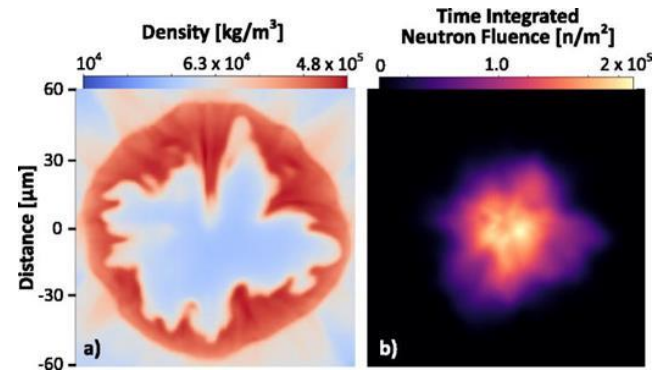
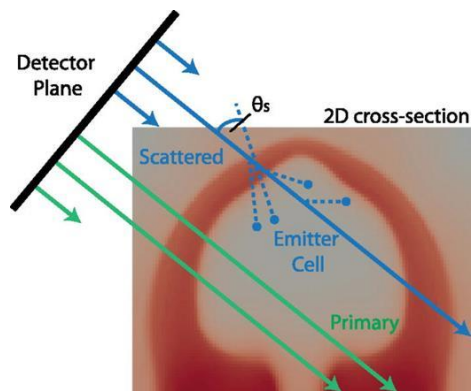
**Minotaur:**

Spherical 1D, time-independent, discrete ordinates  
Can post-process Chimera 1D simulations



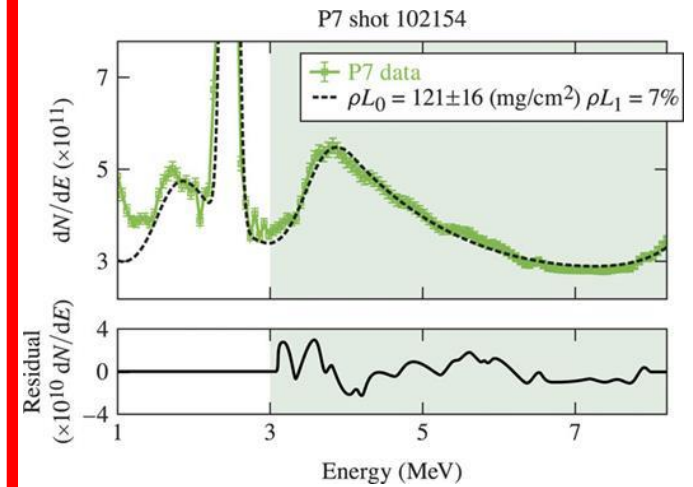
**Inverse ray trace (AKED):**

3D, time-independent, single scatter neutron transport  
Can post-process Chimera 3D simulations



Open source

**NeSST** ([github.com/aidancrilly/nesst](https://github.com/aidancrilly/nesst))  
OD single scatter neutron spectra



**DRESS** ([github.com/jacob-eri/pydress](https://github.com/jacob-eri/pydress))  
MCF OD primary neutron spectra

iFP fusion product spectral model

**Other academic rad-hydro codes available in the UK**

Odin 2D Arbitrary Lagrangian-Eulerian with laser ray tracing and ideal MHD

HELIOS, Medusa, Hyades 1D Lagrangian

**Other academic rad-hydro codes non-UK (non exhaustive)**

FLASH 3D Eulerian AMR available from the FLASH center at the University of Rochester

Dued – 2D rad MHD Stefano Atzeni, Rome

MULTI-3D 3D rad hydro Rafael Ramis, Madrid

2D radiation hydrodynamic code SARA – Javier Honrubia

CRASH - an extension to BATS-R-US with multi-group radiation transfer, heat conduction and equation-of-state.

**Non rad-hydro HEDP codes (non exhaustive)**

Epoch 3D Particle-in-cell with fields

IMPACT 2-D magnetised VFP code

CTC+ (classical transport code) extended MHD transport and hydrodynamics

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