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Plans for 2021-2022

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- ITER SPI simulations, *O. Vallhagen et al*
 - ▶ Code optimisation (C1, C4, C6)
 - ▶ Workflow to integrate MHD driven transport (C1)
 - ▶ Benchmarks (C1)
 - ▶ Simulations (A1, A2)
- Spatio-temporal analysis of runaway electrons in a JET disruption with material injection (DREAM+SOFT), *B. Brandström et al (V1)*
- Current relaxation due to fast magnetic reconnection, *I. Pusztai et al*
- SPARC Runaway Electron Mitigation Coil (REMC), *A.Sundström et al*

- Neutral and impurity transport
 - ▶ Injection schemes evolving on the transport timescale are appropriately described.
 - ▶ Expansion of neutrals after ablation is accounted for.
 - ▶ Redistribution of impurities during the TQ included.
- Plasma shaping (elongation, toroidicity).
- Currents in passive structures.

- 3D MHD simulation data will be provided by the ITER Organization (IO).
- Perturbed fields shall be input to ASCOT to determine the energy and time-dependent transport coefficients during TQ.
- Criterion for the TQ onset in accordance to the observations in the 3D MHD results.

- Material deposition
 - ▶ Fragment penetration and ablation, as well as overall material deposition compared to INDEX results (provided by IO).
- Background plasma evolution during the TQ.
 - ▶ Temperature, density, impurity and electric field profiles compared to 3D MHD data.
 - ▶ Sensitivity tests.
- CQ dynamics
 - ▶ DREAM CQ dynamics compared to 2D equation evolution codes such as DINA, TSC, JOREK (provided by IO).

■ Mitigated disruptions

- ▶ Multiple injection scenarios (neon/hydrogen), staggered injection
- ▶ Aim: establish the parameter space for the ITER DMS for which RE formation is

■ Unmitigated disruptions

- ▶ Unmitigated TQ followed by mitigated CQ.
- ▶ Fully unmitigated TQ.

- MSc thesis by Boel Brandström (seminar planned 11 June).
- Discharge 95135 (also studied by C Reux et al).
- Simulates the CQ using peaked and hollow seed profiles.
- Couple DREAM RE distribution to SOFT, compute synthetic synchrotron signals.
- Runaway population is radially redistributed during the disruption.
- Investigates also MSE data.

Goal: Explore the effect of current relaxation on RE dynamics.

Use helicity transport model of Boozer, recently implemented in DREAM.

$$\frac{\partial \psi_p}{\partial t} = -V_{\text{loop}} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \psi} \left(\psi \Lambda \frac{\partial j_{\parallel}}{\partial \psi} \right), \quad (1)$$

where Λ is the *helicity transport coefficient*, and ψ_p and ψ denote the poloidal and toroidal flux.

- Λ term acts to flatten j_{\parallel} profile, emulating fast magnetic reconnection event without the need to resolve 3D dynamics.
- Allows current relaxation and related I_p spike to be modeled.
- At boundaries of regions with intact flux surfaces ($\Lambda = 0$) large skin currents can develop.

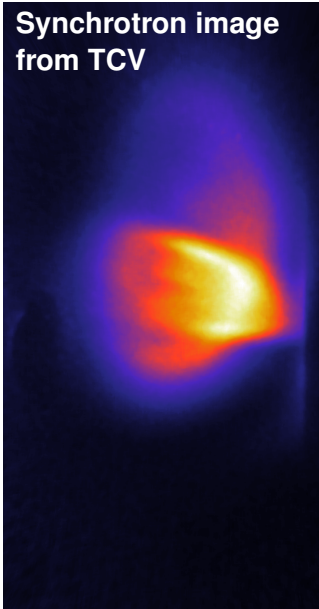
We would like to establish...

- the role of skin currents in runaway generation.
 - ▶ Compare RE evolution for $\Lambda = 0$ and various prescribed $\Lambda(r, t)$.
 - ▶ Consider Boozer- and Wesson-type scenarios.
- whether $\Lambda(r, t)$ can be constrained based on measurements (e.g. I_p and l_i).
 - ▶ Iteratively find $\Lambda(r, t)$ based on simulation data (also with added uncertainties).
 - ▶ Attempt to constrain Λ in JET#85943.
 - ▶ Compare with similar JOEUK efforts.

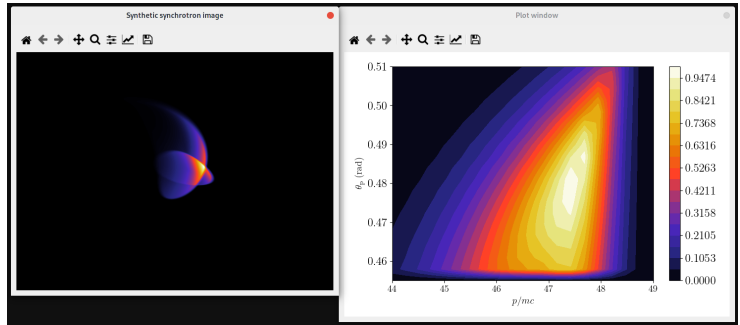
Longer term:

- Can Λ and χ_e be related during TQ?
Provides additional modeling constraint for both validation and ITER predictions.

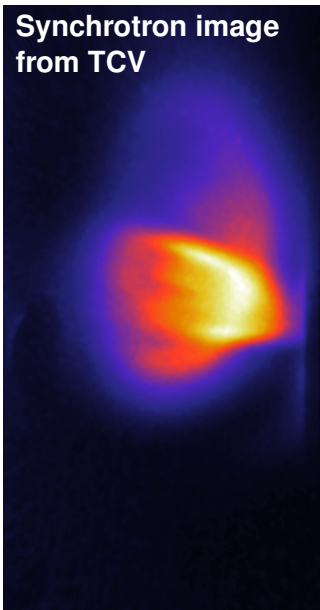
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