



Modelling of C wall Scenario 2 with SOLPS-ITER - status and plans

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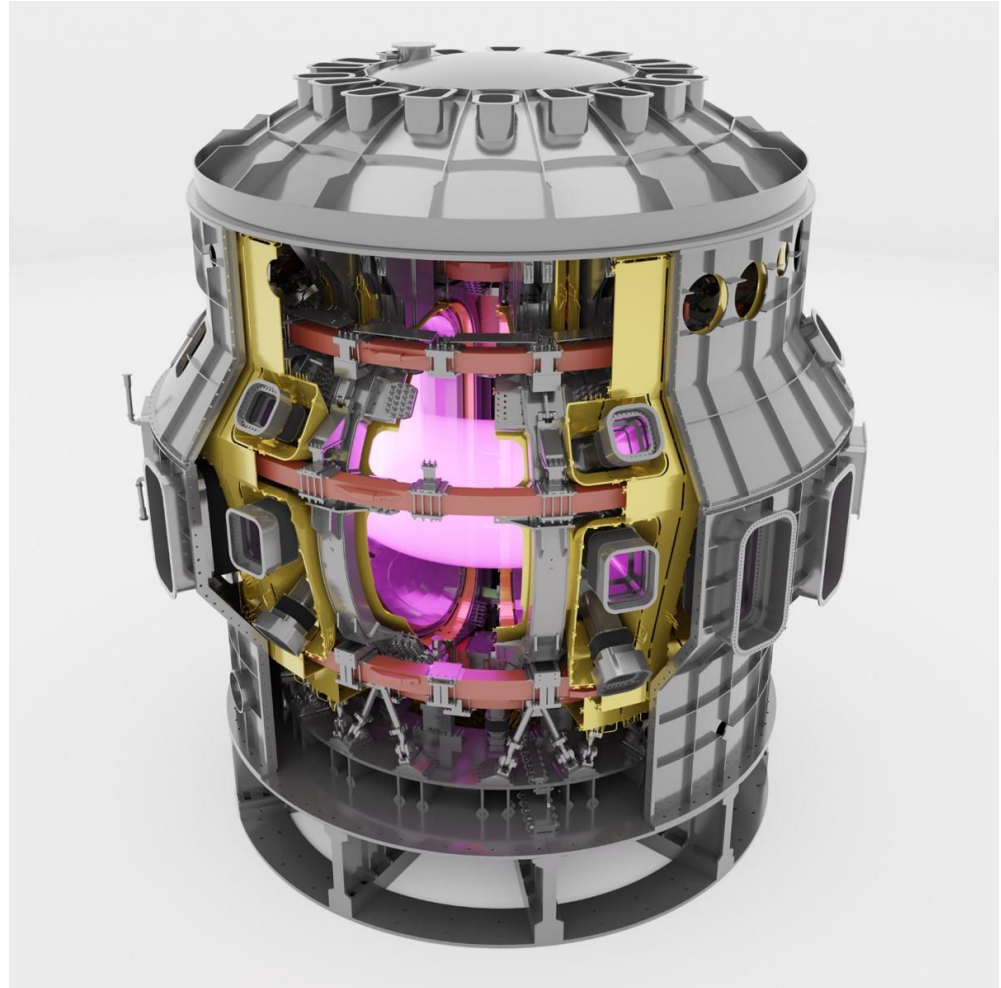
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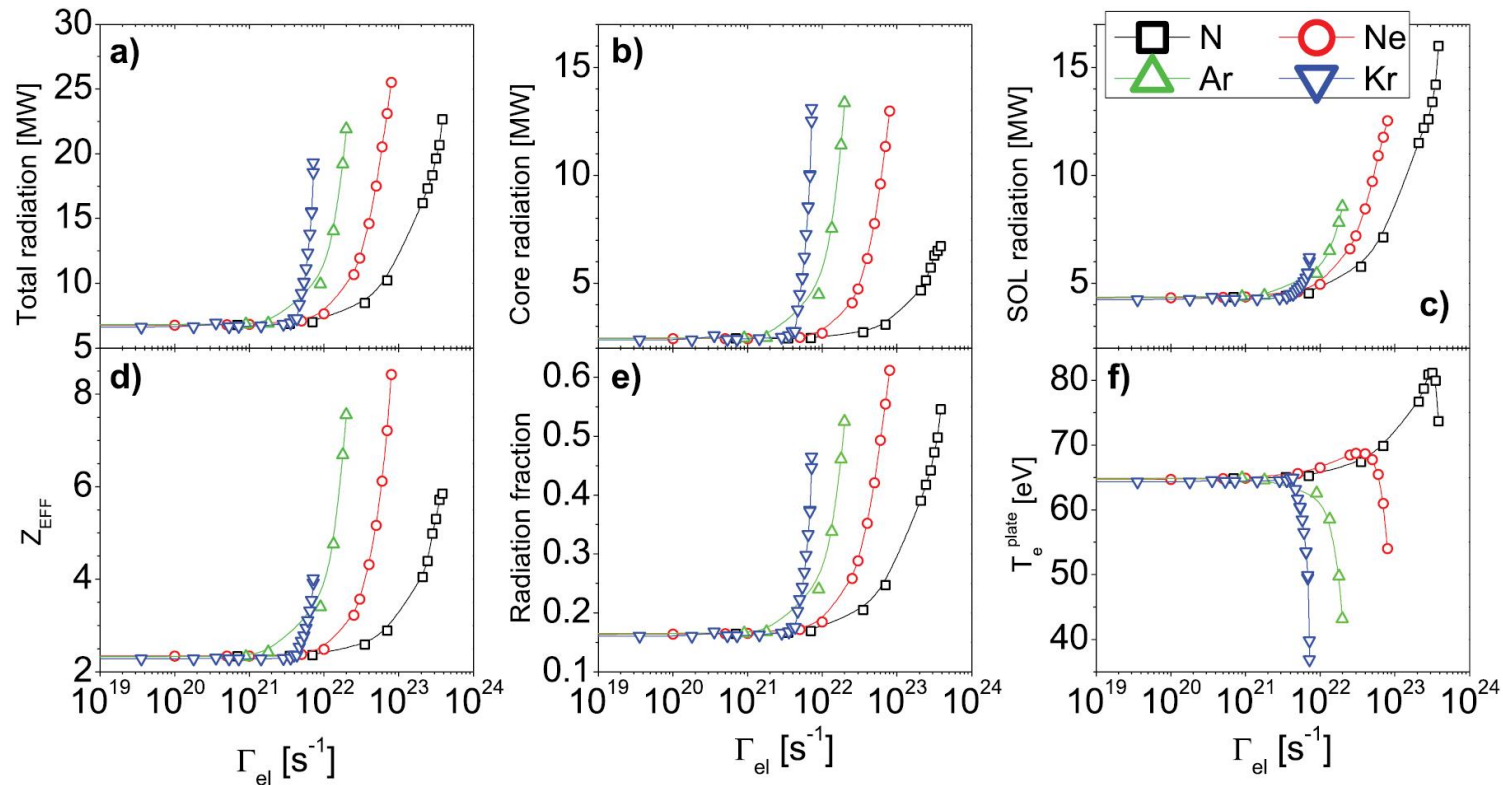
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Studies performed in this project are a continuation of the plasma simulations for JT-60SA made in former WP with the COERDIV code which couples the central and SOL plasma

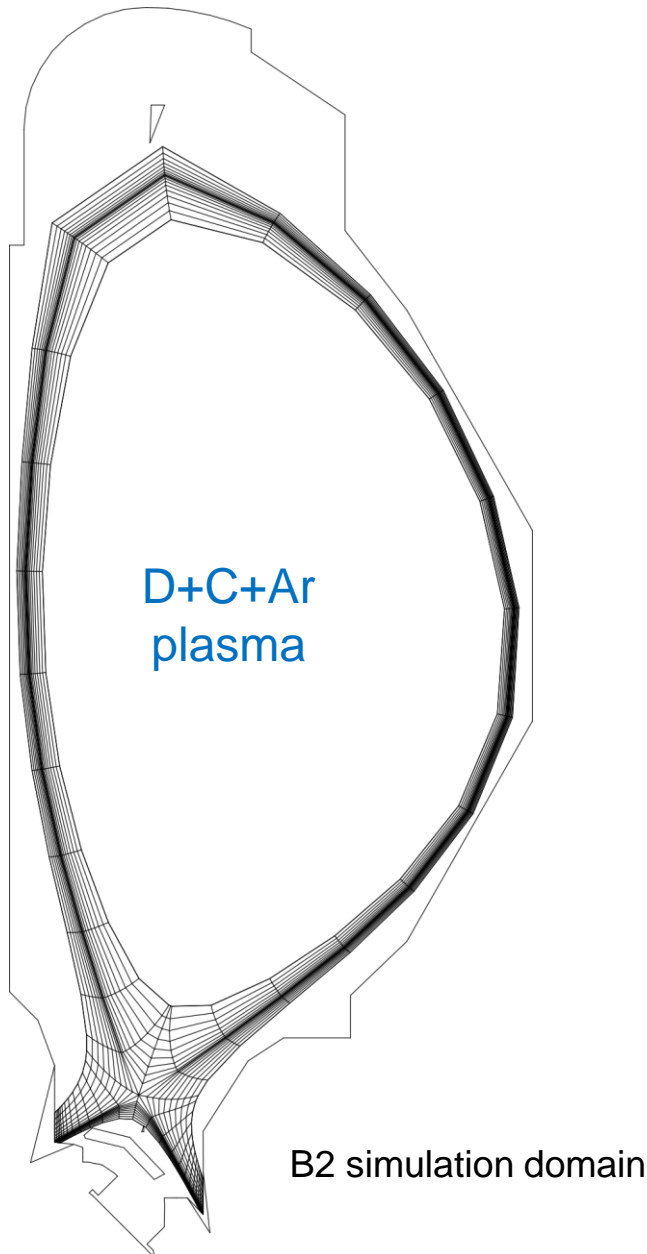
COREDIV simulations of SCN#2 with Ne/Ar/Kr seeding



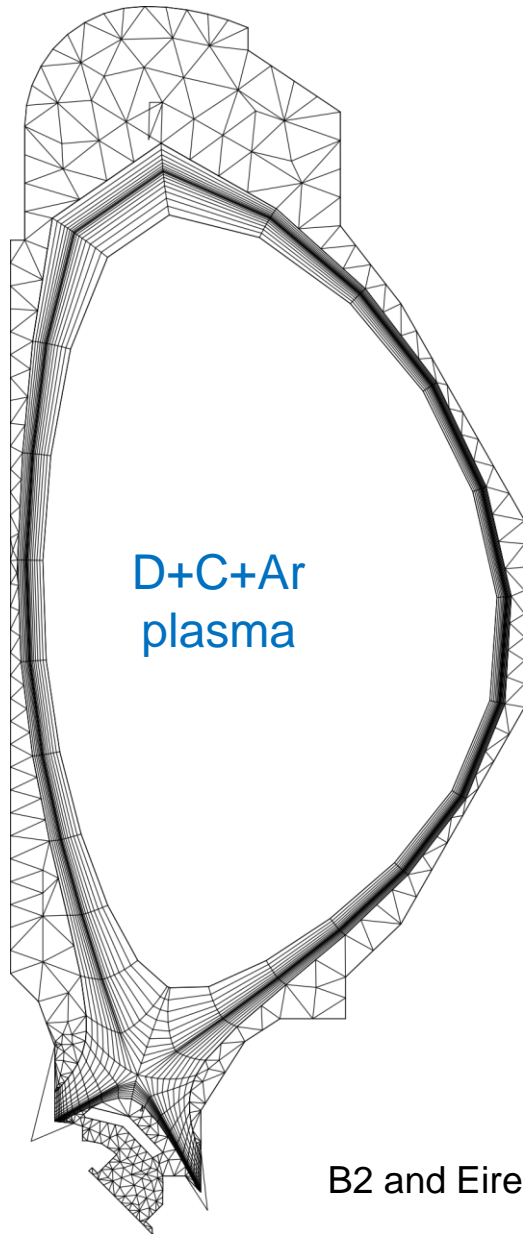
Motivations

- Studies of the power exhaust problem with seeded impurities
- JT-60SA auxiliary heating in scn#2: **41 MW**
- maximum power density to target: **10 MW/m²**
- need to radiate out about 20-30 MW

- Therefore, there is need of the detailed studies of **the power mitigation in the SOL** and plasma deposition at the target plates
- Studies with **boundary plasma code** have been started (the SOLPS-ITER code package)



- Simulations have been performed with SOLPS-ITER (multifluid B2 code coupled with Eirene MC code)
- **Scn#2** is under consideration
- B2 numerical mesh consists of 50 x 36 cells (2021)
- Deuterium plasma with argon impurity
- **Carbon divertor** targets
- With physical sputtering of carbon targets
- No chemical sputtering

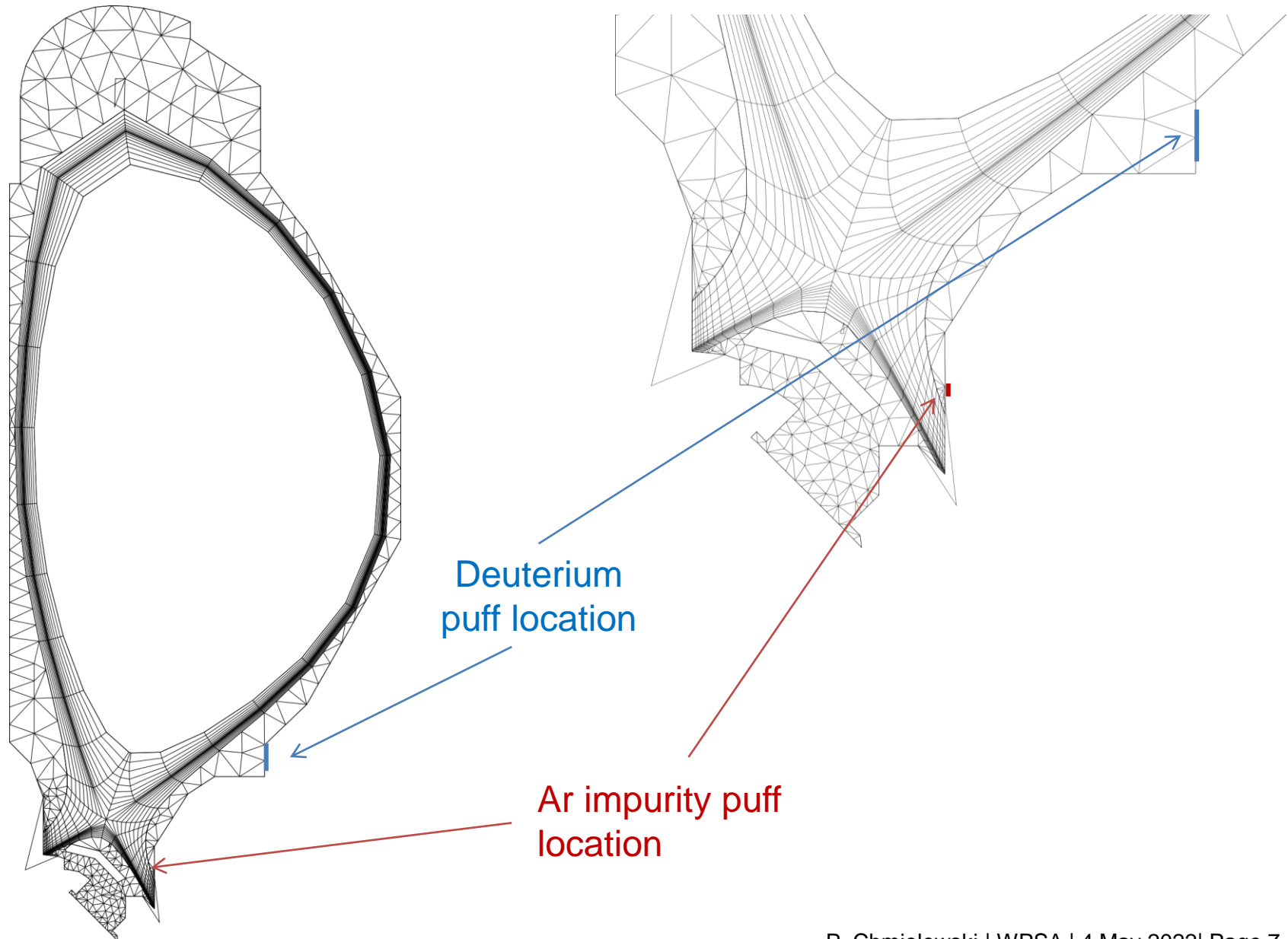


D+C+Ar
plasma

B2 and Eirene mesh

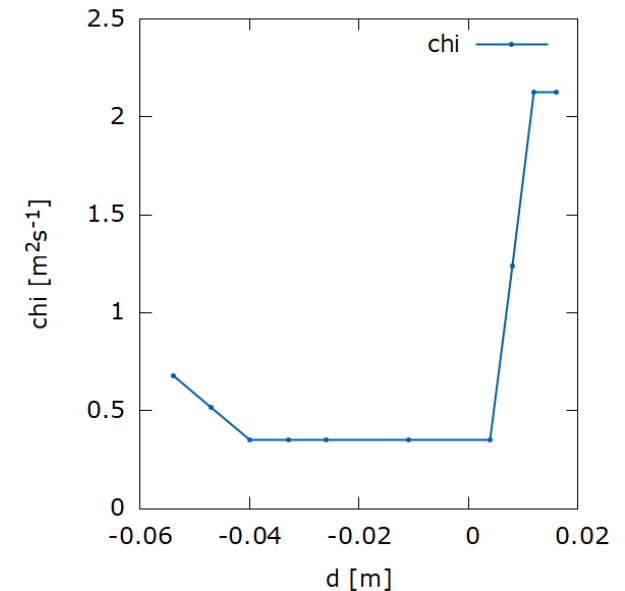
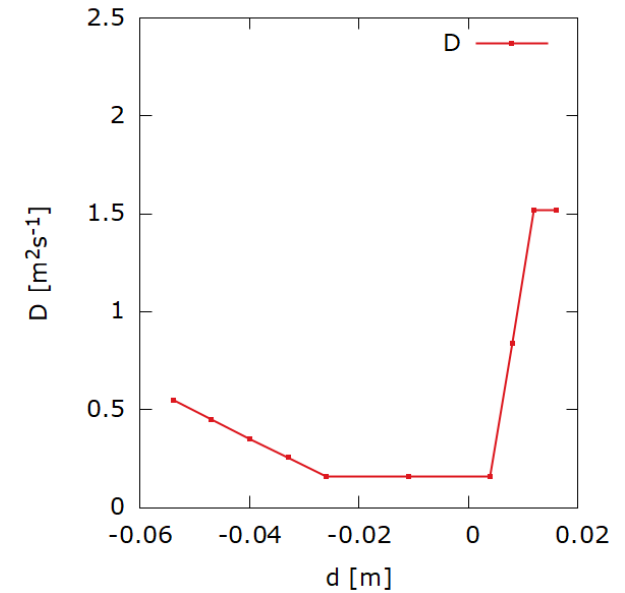
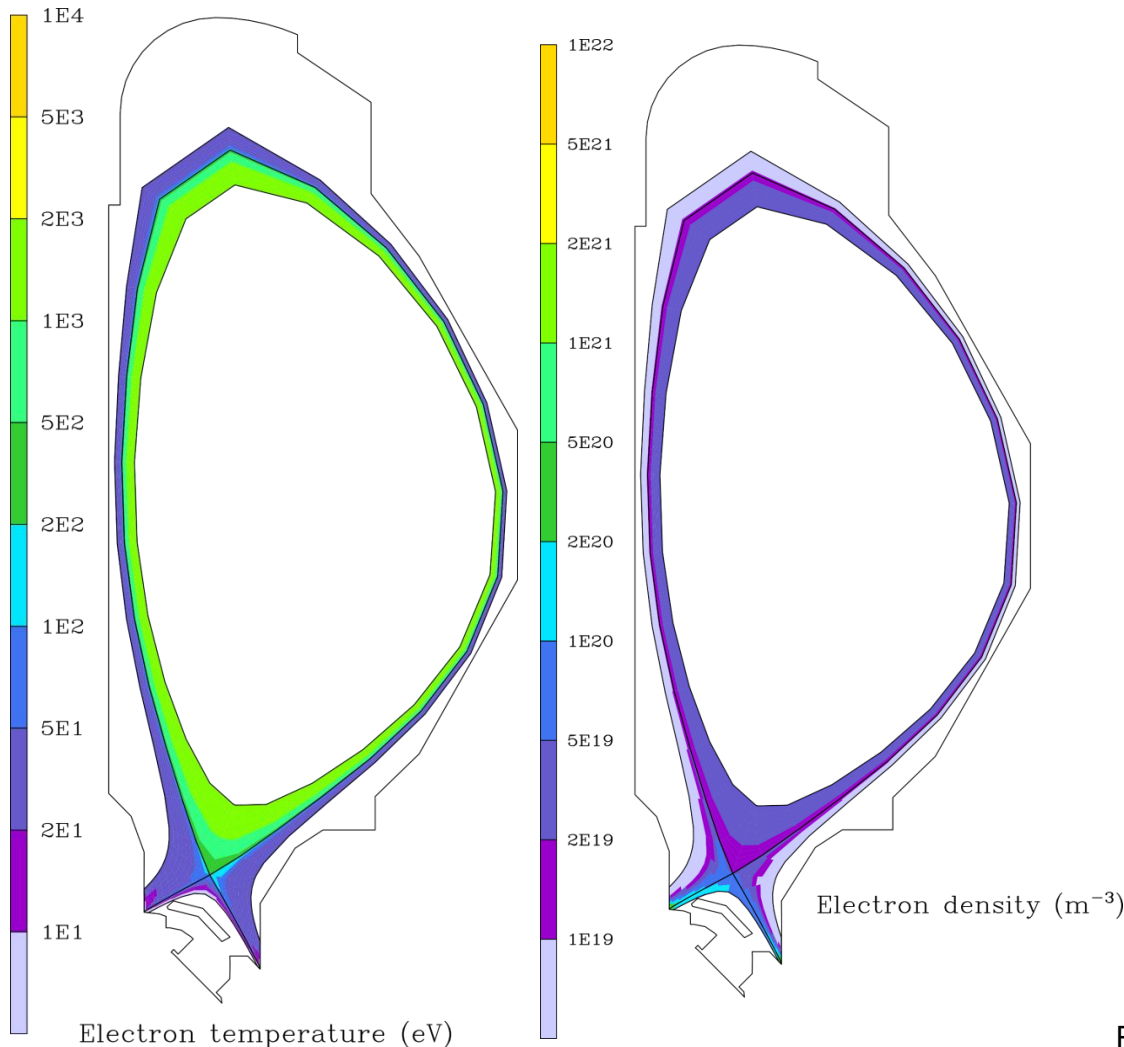
- Applied core-SOL boundary conditions:
 - $P_{IN} = 21$ MW (divided equally into electrons and ions)
 - density boundary condition:
specified inner electron density
equal to $3 \times 10^{19} \text{ m}^{-3}$
- Gas puffing:
 - Deuterium gas puff (outer valve)
 - Ar seeding above the outer divertor

Modelling assumptions

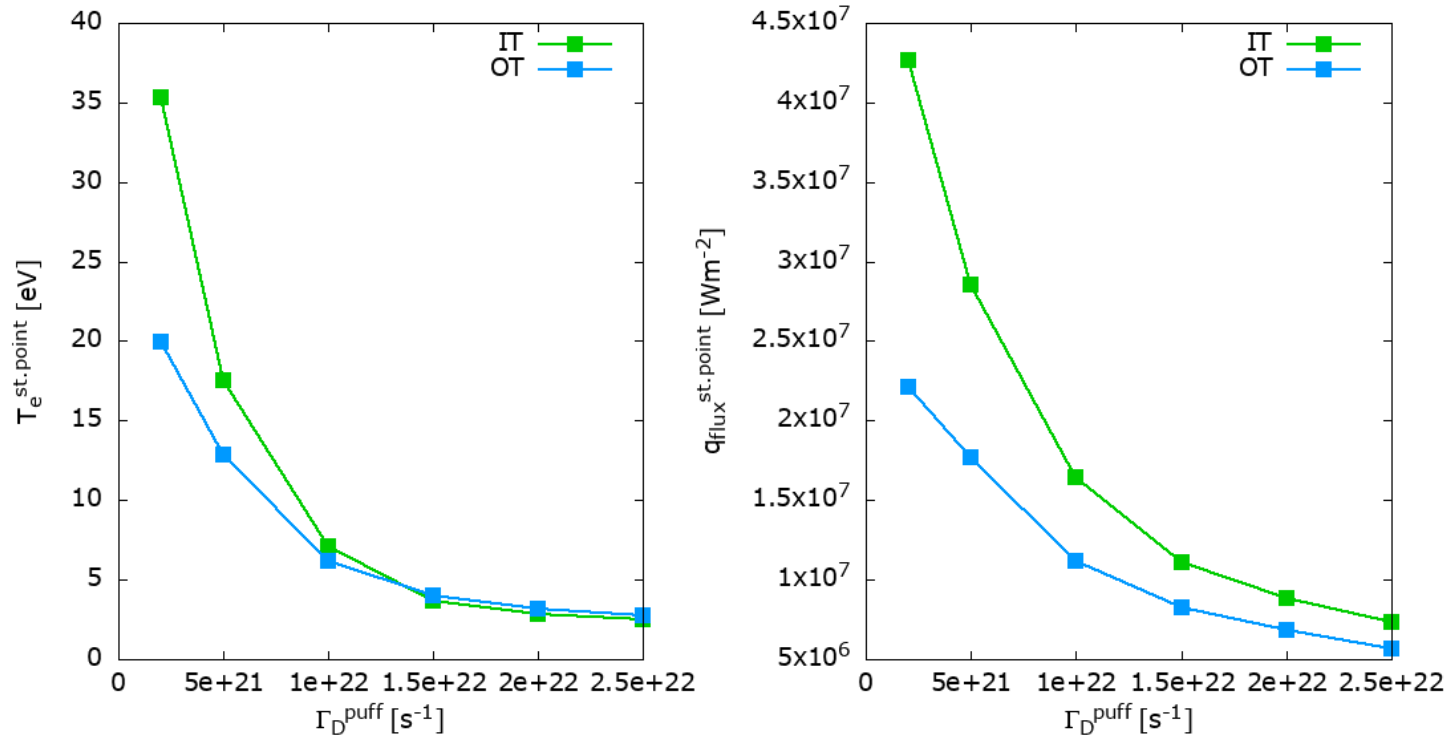


Diffusivity profiles

Radial profiles of the particle density diffusivity and electron heat diffusivity have been assumed on the basis of the L. Balbinot studies of JET discharges



Scans over the electron density at separatrix with low Ar concentration have been done



- Increase of the upstream electron density with raise of the deuterium puff has been observed
- Low values of the electron temperature at the strike point
- Drop of T_e at the strike point with increase of the upstream density (inner and outer targets)

Activities in 2021

- Numerical model for JT-60SA SCN#2 with carbon wall and deuterium plasma seeded with argon impurity have been prepared
- Scan over the upstream electron density at low Ar puff have been done

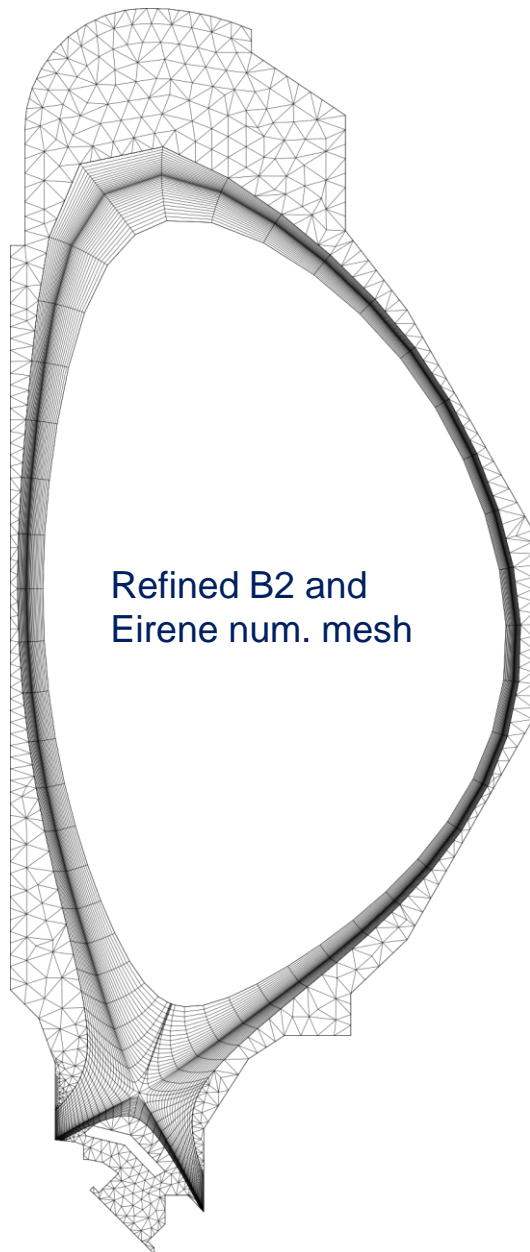
Activities done in 2022

- Corrections to the numerical model have been added
 - corrected **radial transport profile**
 - the inner core boundary have been changed from constant density to **constant particle flux condition**
- Resolution of the numerical mesh have been increased (**100x36** cells)
- Ongoing studies with new model conditions for different values of the argon concentration and the separatrix density

Plans for 2022

The aim is to analyse the effect of the argon seeding

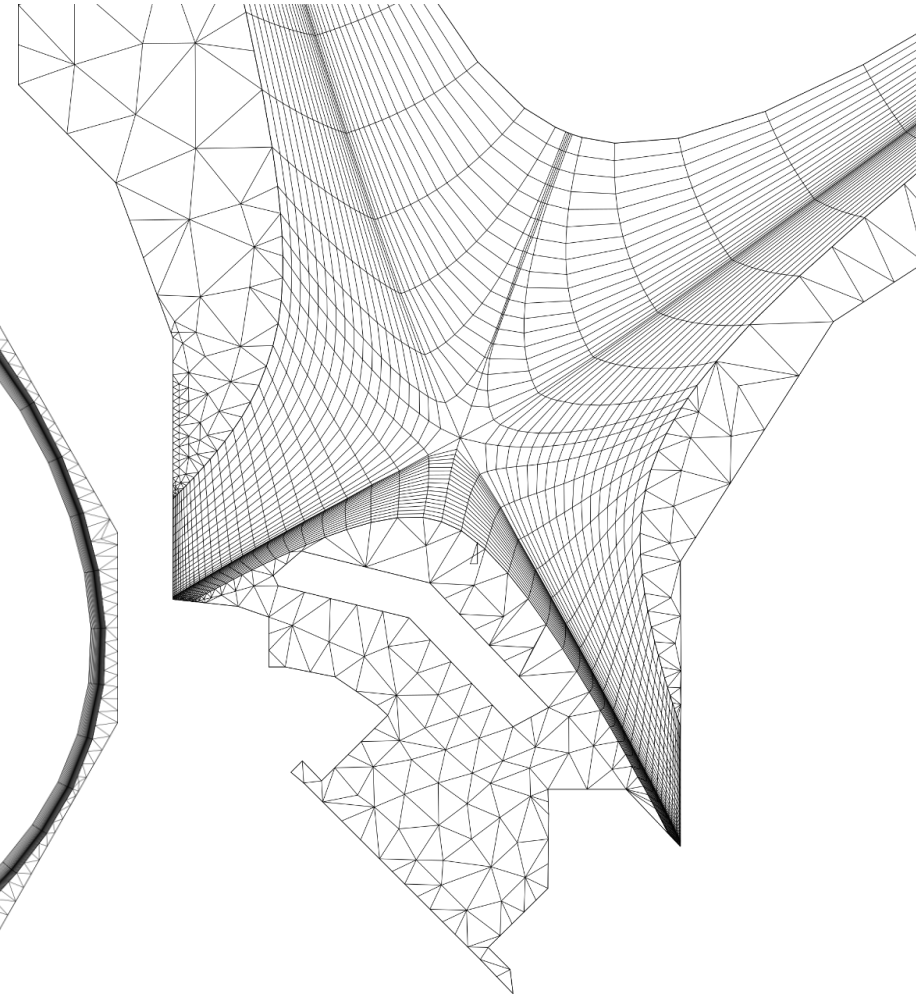
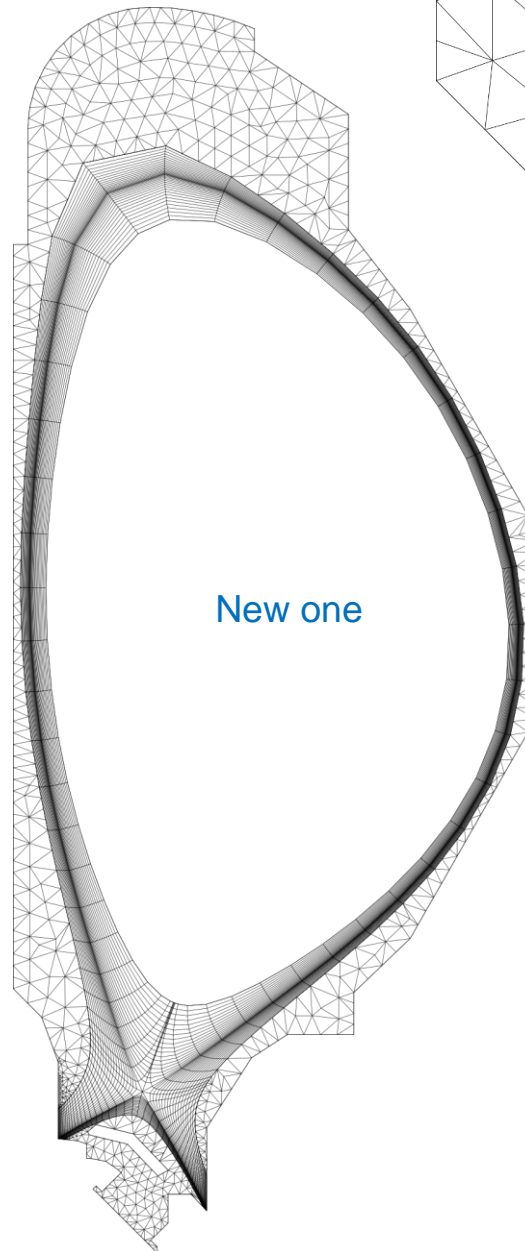
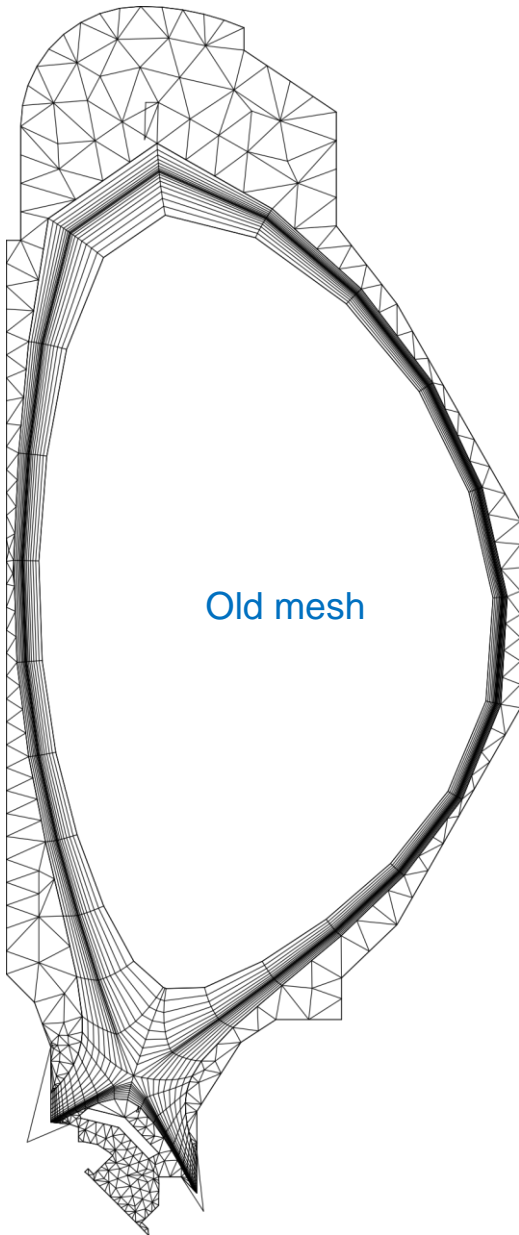
- on the **heat load mitigation**,
 - on efficiency of the **argon and carbon radiation**,
 - on the carbon sputtering
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- Scans for different **argon** concentrations and for different values of the separatrix density will be performed
 - Limited investigations of **the plasma detachment** in JT-60SA for various argon concentrations will be done
 - Power scan is under consideration
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- ❖ Planned publication at the PET conference



Thank you very much for attention!

Backup slides

Simulations results



Spatial distribution of the electron temperature and electron density

