

TSVV4 Status & Outlook

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Setup of TSVV Task 4

Key deliverables

Our work

Kinetic codes for the plasma edge ▶ TSVV T1

**GENE-X (IPP)
PICLS (IPP/SPC)
GyselaX (CEA)**

Deal with open field lines

**BIT1
VOICE
semi-analytical methods**

Limitations of Gyrokinetics

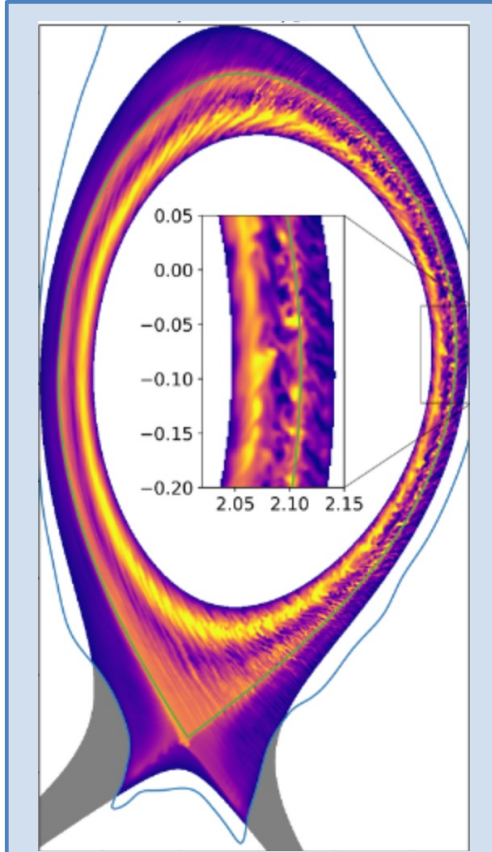
**ssV (hybrid)
GempicX
Moment-based edge GK**

Coupling methods

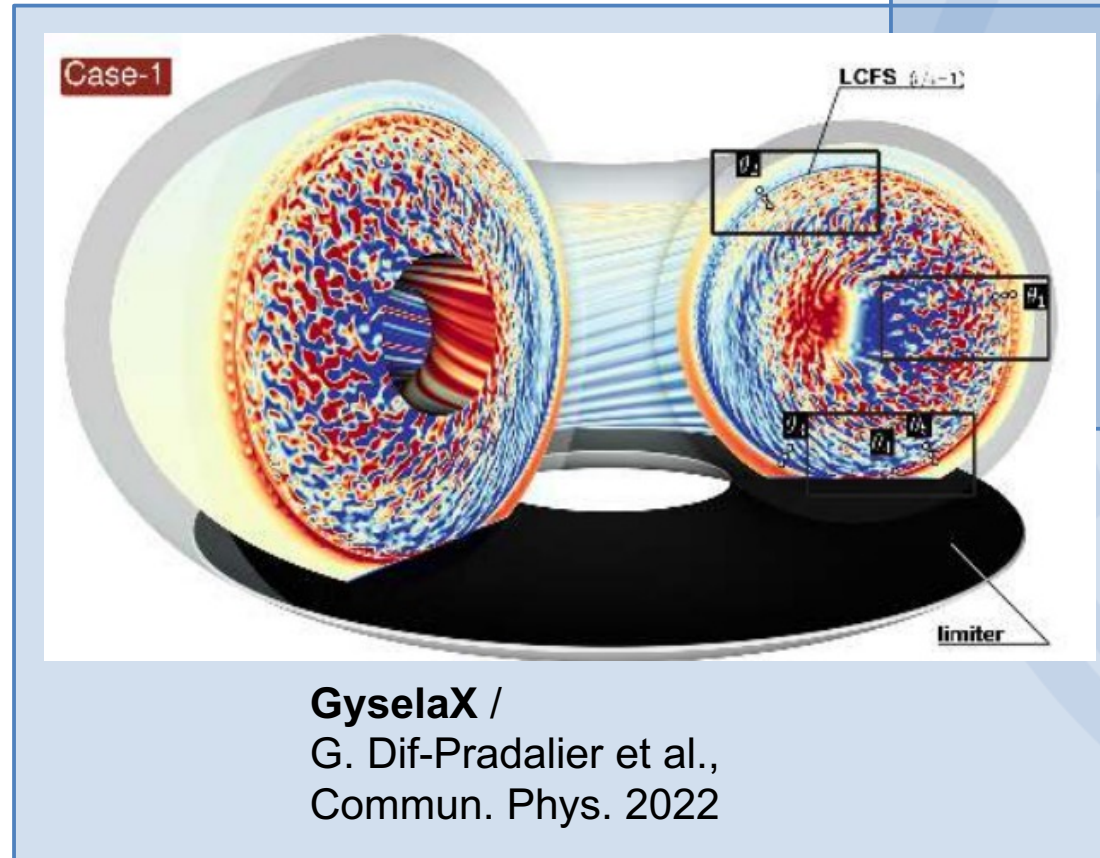
**Neutrals
Impurities
Fluid-kinetic coupling**



Aim: GK codes for Edge + SOL



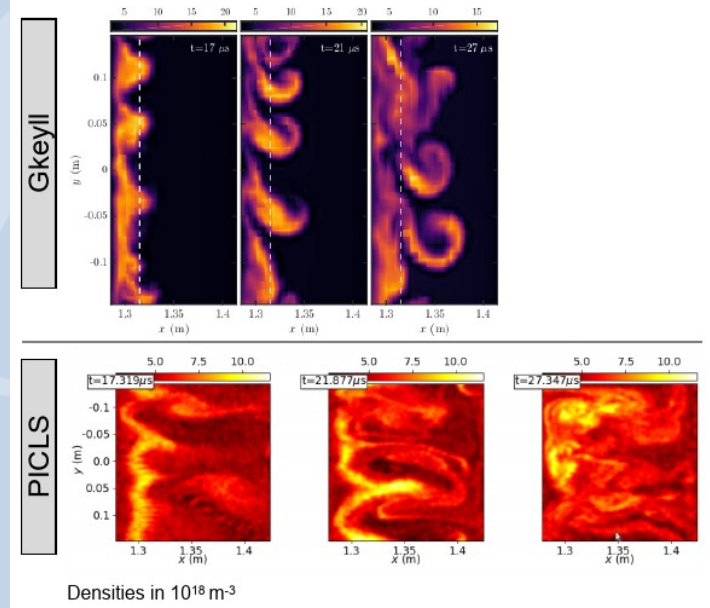
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Density comparison: Gkeyll vs. PICLS





Work plan for 2025

- **GENE-X**: Inclusion of **neutral and impurity physics**
- **GyselaX**: Inclusion of **neutral physics**, testing of **immersed boundary implementation** with kinetic ions and electrons
- **PICLS**: **Coupling with core codes** for limiter simulations, **finalizing the EM implementation**
- **BIT-1**: Continuation of **DEMO divertor** and **ITER SOL simulations**.
- **Semi-analytical sheath model**: Development of **coupling schemes** with gyrokinetic code(s)
- **Hybrid code ssV**: Continued characterization of **fully kinetic ITG physics**
- **GEMPICX**: Implementation of **cylindrical coordinates**
- **Gyro-moment approach**: Further development of **full-f moment approach**



Ideas for 2026/27

- Further improve **neutral models** for all GK codes:
 - Moving to higher moments
 - Eventually explore coupling to EIRENE
- **Further improve sheath** boundary conditions for all codes
- Develop **benchmark cases** tractable by all our GK codes (e.g. LAPD + sheath + neutrals)
- **Implement $B_{||}$** magnetic fluctuations for all GK codes
- Develop methods to **deal with large temperature disparities** core \Leftrightarrow edge
- Explore efficient ways to treat **impurities + radiation**
- **Further develop fully kinetic/hybrid codes** ssV / GEMPICX
- **Further development of gyro-moment approach**

- **Explore RMP physics in GK SOL codes?**