



Impurity Migration Simulation of PISCES-A He Exposed Tungsten with GTR

Comparison of net erosion and volumetric
transport

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Simulating a linear device is a step towards modeling ITER Tungsten components

PISCES target and tower

- Physics models to be evaluated with linear machine dedicated experiments:
 - Net erosion of materials exposed to He plasma.
 - Ionization and volumetric transport of impurities through the background plasma.
 - Redistribution of the eroded material.
- GTR is a component in a larger integrated simulation
 - High performance computing component for the impurity particle push.
 - Provided background plasma profiles, sheath model, surface model.
 - Traces particles through plasma and surface operators.



GITR Uses Trace Impurity Model for Particle Track Simulation

Classical velocity change moments
(Fokker-Planck)

Thermal gradient
force correction

$$m_a \frac{\Delta \bar{U}}{\Delta t} = \underbrace{q_a(\bar{E} + \bar{U} \times \bar{B})}_{\text{Lorentz Force}} + m_a \left[\underbrace{\hat{U}_{\parallel} \frac{U}{\tau_s} \pm \hat{U}_{\parallel} \sqrt{\frac{U^2}{\tau_W \Delta t}} \pm \hat{U}_{\perp,1} \sqrt{\frac{U^2}{2\tau_D \Delta t}} \pm \hat{U}_{\perp,2} \sqrt{\frac{U^2}{2\tau_D \Delta t}}}_{\text{Collisional Terms}} \right] + (\alpha \nabla_{\parallel} T_e + \beta \nabla_{\parallel} T_i)$$

$$\Delta \bar{x} = \bar{v} * \Delta t + \underbrace{\sqrt{D_{\perp}} \Delta t}_{\text{Anomalous perp. diffusion}} \cdot \hat{e}_{\perp}$$

Collisional Terms

Anomalous perp. diffusion

$$n_{\text{Impurity}} \ll n_{\text{Background}}$$

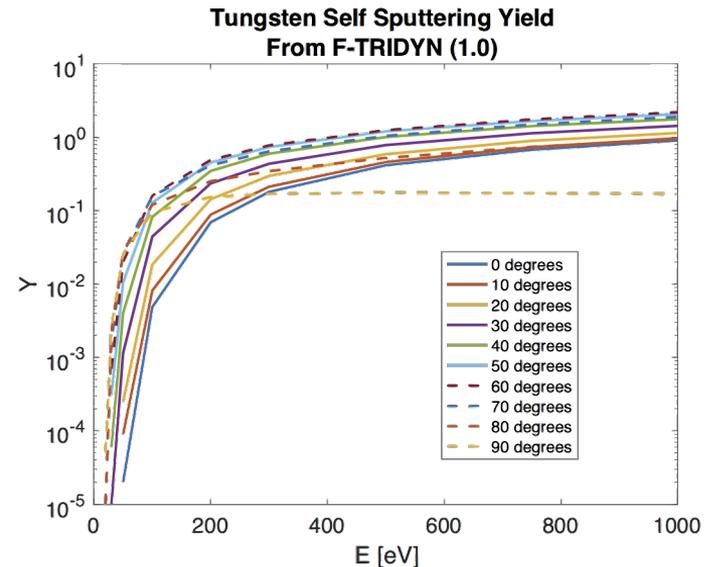
- Plus operators for ionization and recombination, multiple charge states, connected to ADAS.
- Particles hitting a material surface undergo operations to weight and re-sample the particle according to the process.

Sputtering Model Comes from Fractal-TRIDYN

Output

- Fractal-TRIDYN is a BCA code that simulates a rough surface according to fractal dimension.
- Data for sputtering as a function of energy, angle, and surface roughness are compiled before GTR runs.
- With support of UIUC and the ATOM SciDAC, F-TRIDYN has been run in parallel on 5 nodes at NERSC making use of all processors.

Sputtering yield parameterization

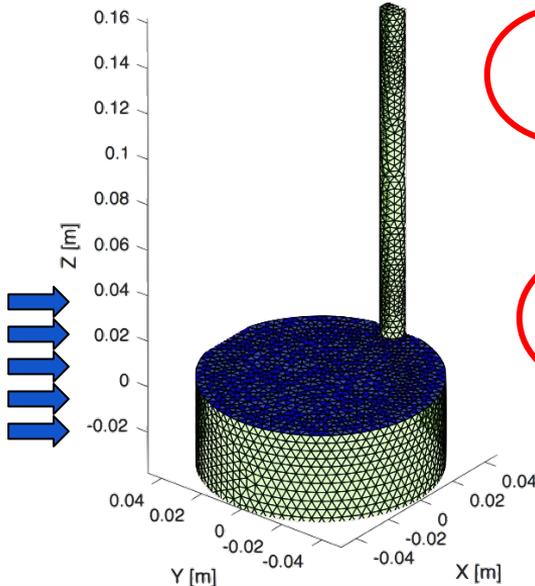


PISCES-A He on tungsten experimental setup is designed to measure impurity migration

- PISCES-A experiment exposes a tungsten target plate biased to -250 Volts to a helium plasma at an approximate flux of $\sim 10^{22} \text{ m}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ at temperatures of 400 to 600°C.

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Axial array of W I spectroscopy to measure fall-off in neutral W signal - indication of ionization.

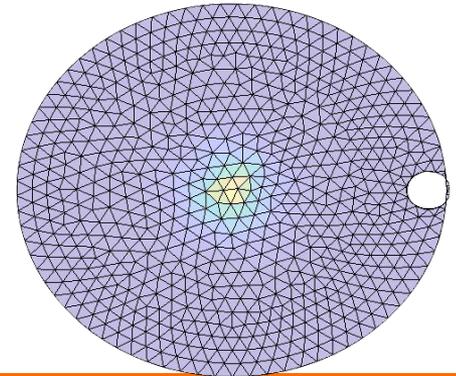


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Mass gain of Ti collector tower beads - measure of longer range migration.

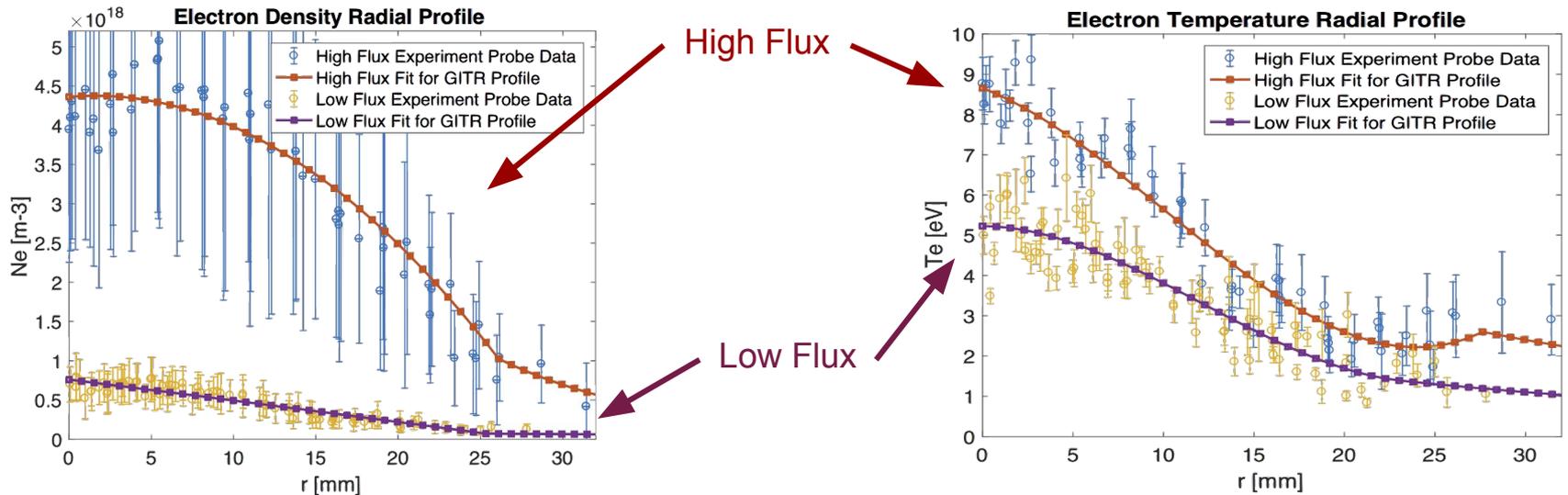
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Mass loss of target plate - measure of erosion source and prompt redeposition.



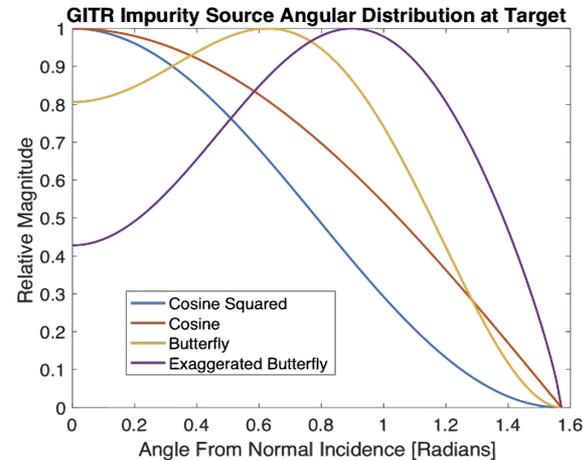
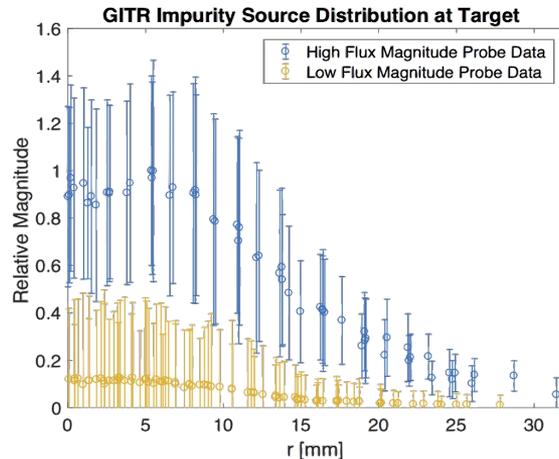
PISCES-A plasma profile measurements used as GITR input

- 800 Gauss magnetic field perpendicular to W target minimizes sheath effects.
- Profiles with + and - 20% of T_e and n_e values were also used to investigate sensitivity.

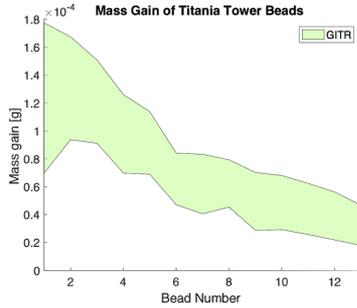


Spatial distribution of impurity source is known, but angular distribution is not

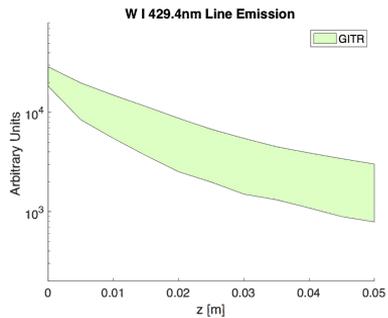
- Radial flux profiles were used to sample spatial distribution of He eroded W from the target.
- A variety of angular distributions were used to investigate sensitivity.
- Thompson energy distribution used with $E_s = 11.75$ eV.



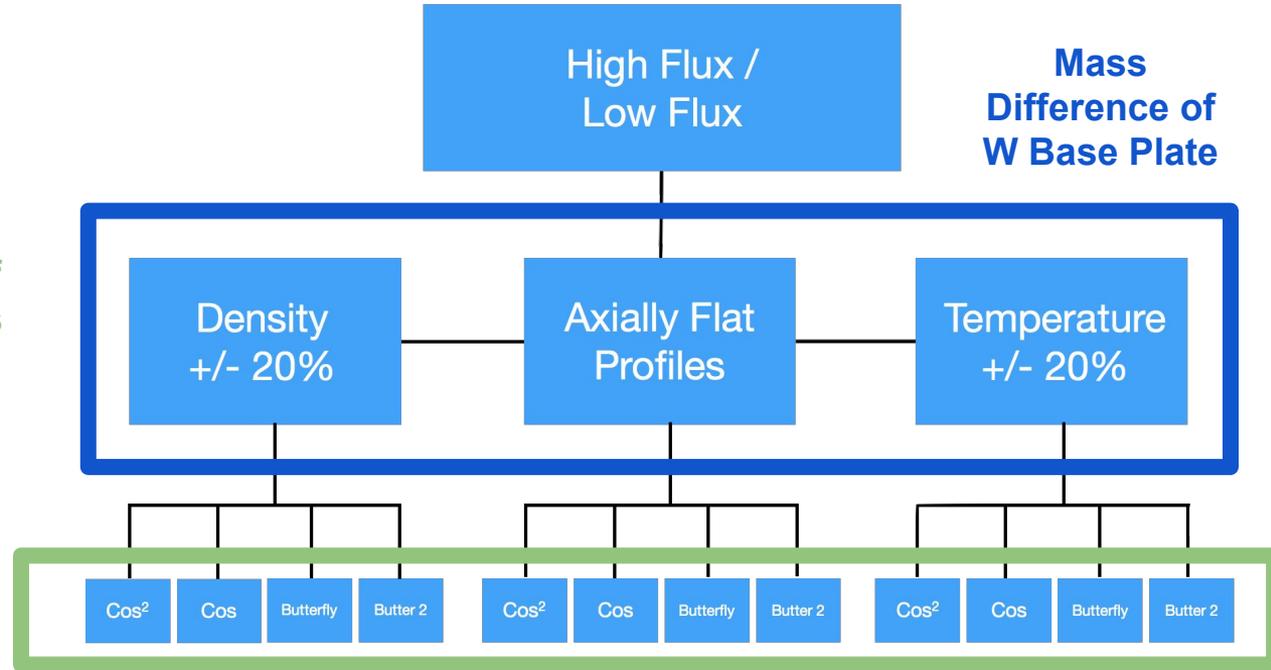
A scan in several parameters will display the sensitivity of the model



Mass Difference of Tower Beads

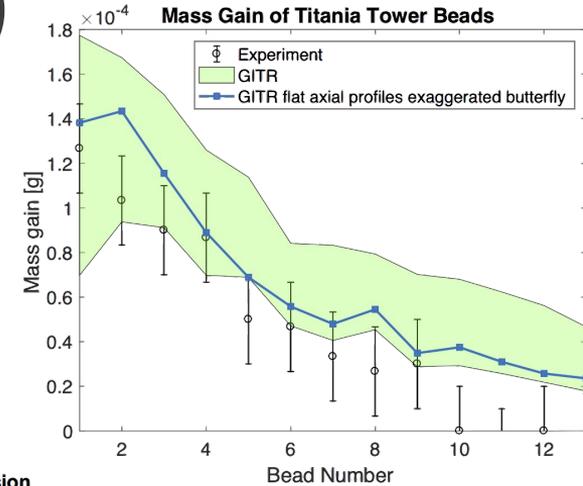


W I Synthetic Diagnostic



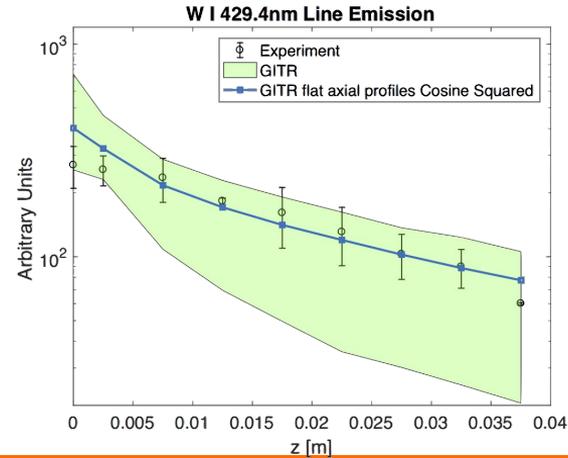
Results for low flux exposure (10,000s)

- Mass loss of target plate is near experimental values.
- Mass gain of collector beads is accurate with slight overprediction far from the target plate.
- Shape of line emission curve shows fair agreement with considerable sensitivity to scanned parameters.



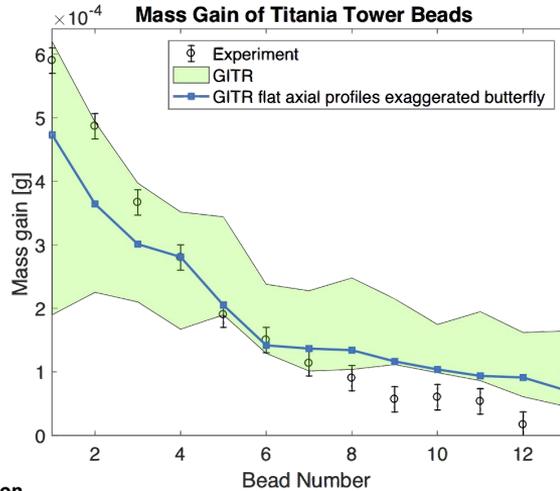
Mass Difference of W Base Plate

	Mass Loss [g]	%Eroded Material Returned to Target
Experiment	0.01883	-
GITR flat profiles	0.0152 - 0.0188	57 - 65
GITR +/- Te	0.0146 - 0.0295	32 - 67
GITR +/- ne	0.0145 - 0.0208	52 - 67



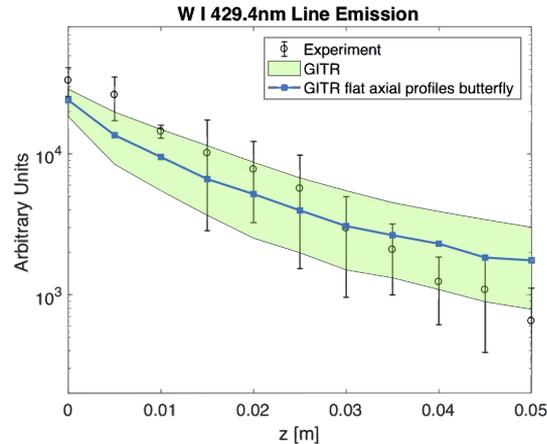
Results for high flux exposure (5,000s)

- Higher percentages of prompt redeposition compared to low flux case.
- Mass gain of bead collectors agrees well with experimentally measured values.
- Variability in synthetic diagnostic profile.



Mass Difference of W Base Plate

	Mass Loss [g]	%Eroded Material Returned to Target
Experiment	0.079533	-
GITR flat profiles	0.0563 - 0.0737	70 - 77
GITR +/- Te	0.0475 - 0.0888	65 - 81
GITR +/- ne	0.0475 - 0.0888	65 - 81



GITR Performance And Numbers

- GITR running on single node of a GPU development machine - 2 NVidia Tesla K80s.
- 28,000 triangular face boundary elements.
- The hashing algorithm removes the simulation run time dependence on the number of mesh elements used to represent the material surface.
- 10^5 particles per run
- $dt = 1e-8s$ for 10,000 steps
- run time is ~ 66 seconds

Conclusions and future work

- GITR trace impurity model predictions of W erosion, ionization, and deposition agree well with the three experimental observables.
- Initial sensitivity study on variations in sputtered W angular distributions as well as background plasma temperature and density provide a prediction band reasonably consistent with experimental error bars.
- More formal uncertainty quantification planned for future.
- He/D mixed plasma experiments are planned for PISCES.
- Revisit calculations with improved coupling to assess Fractal TRIDYN input for the sputtered W energy and angle distributions.