

# Summarized topics in MS

Category	Existing efforts	Associated physics issues
Improved equilibrium reconstruction including toroidal rotation, MSE, and SOL currents, and stability analysis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- EFITs including rotation</li> <li>- LRDFITs including rotation</li> <li>- (E,LRD)FITs + FLOW</li> <li>- (E,LRD)FITs + FLOW + M3D-C1</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Stability boundary with toroidal rotation?</li> <li>- Stability boundary including separatrix?</li> <li>- Can be routinely available between shots, with real time MSE, in NSTX-U?</li> </ul>
Quasi-linear 3D equilibrium modeling including islands, neoclassical, and kinetic MHD effects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- IPEC with tensor pressures and islands + POCA + Inner-layer</li> <li>- FLOW, MARS-F, MARS-K</li> <li>- M3D-C1</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 3D equilibrium with opened islands?</li> <li>- 3D equilibrium with rotation?</li> <li>- 3D equilibrium with anisotropic pressures?</li> <li>- Self-consistent modeling for NTV in NSTX-U?</li> </ul>
Quasi-linear stability modeling including neoclassical and kinetic MHD effects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- MISK with improved theory including anisotropic pressure</li> <li>- MARS-K, NOVA-K</li> <li>- M3D-C1</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- RWM passive stability with 2<sup>nd</sup> NB in NSTX-U?</li> <li>- Effects of self-consistent eigenfunction?</li> <li>- Second RWM code with full kinetic treatment?</li> </ul>
Non-linear (as well as linear) 3D modeling for time-evolving dynamics of islands, neoclassical, full kinetic MHD effects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- M3D-C1 with distribution function solver (Ramos theory or NTV theory)</li> <li>- XGC0</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Non-linear effects in 3D equilibrium and stability, including SW (<math>q=1</math>) and NTM?</li> <li>- Two fluid effects in 3D equilibrium and stability?</li> <li>- Full kinetic effects in 3D equilibrium and stability?</li> </ul>
Disruption simulation, including MCI, gas penetration physics, and runaway electrons	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- DEGAS2 for gas penetration</li> <li>- TSC for runaway electrons</li> <li>- M3D for disruption simulation</li> <li>- Use of 3D equilibrium sequence</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Gas penetration with atomic physics?</li> <li>- Runaway electrons in NSTX-U?</li> <li>- Coupling gas and plasma modeling?</li> <li>- Why does mode locking cause a disruption?</li> <li>- What is the origin of a density limit disruption?</li> </ul>
Full 3D modeling of external structure for RWM dynamics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Multi-mode VALEN3D</li> <li>- Plasma permeability with neoclassical and kinetic MHD effects</li> <li>- VALEN3D + Plasma permeability</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Full 3D current effects on RWM?</li> <li>- Effects of full 3D + kinetic plasma permeability on RWM stability and control?</li> <li>- RWM state space controller.</li> </ul>