



KSTAR simulation with TRANSP

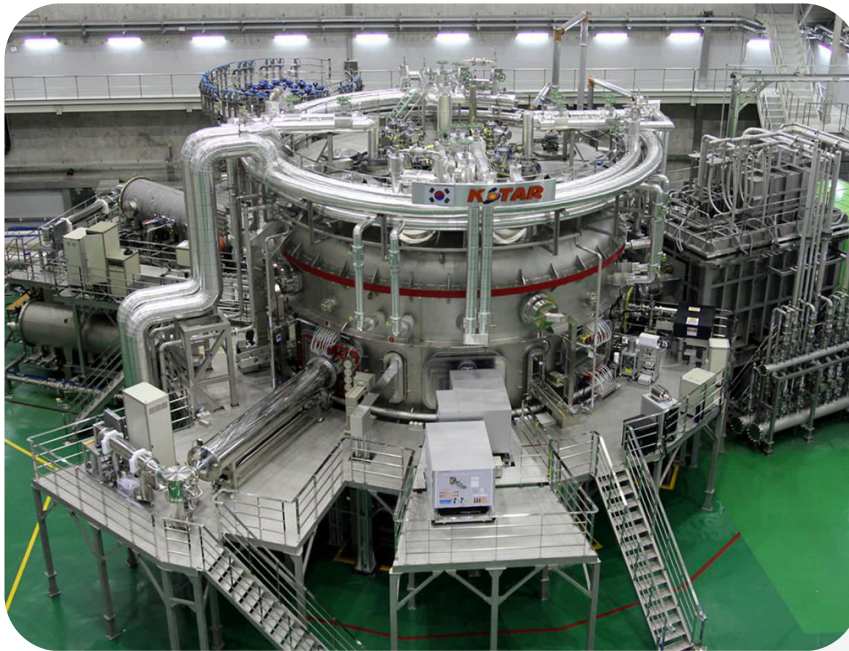
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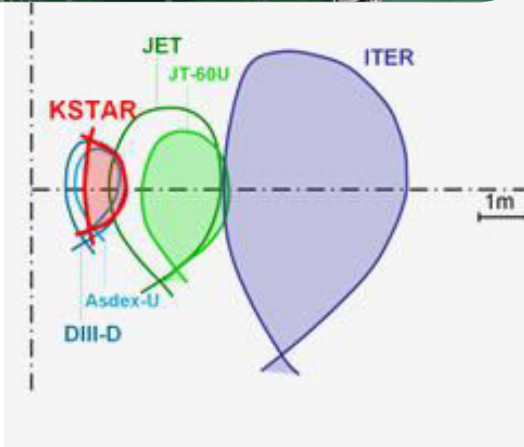
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I. KSTAR Introduction

KSTAR [1]= Korea Superconducting Tokamak Advanced Research



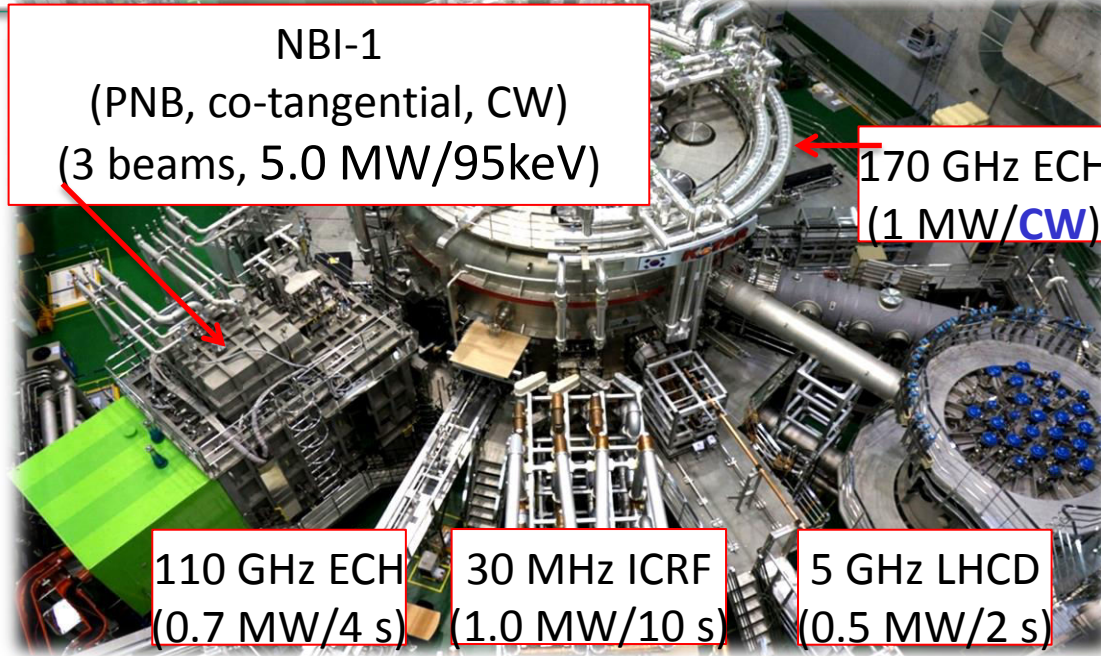
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PARAMETERS	KSTAR	ITER
Major radius, R_0	1.8 m	6.2 m
Minor radius, a	0.5 m	2.0 m
Elongation, κ	2.0	1.7
Triangularity, δ	0.8	0.33
Plasma volume	17.8 m ³	830 m ³
Plasma surface area	56 m ²	680 m ²
Plasma cross section	1.6 m ²	22 m ²
Plasma shape	DN, SN	SN
Plasma current, I_p	> 2.0 MA	15 (17) MA
Toroidal field, B_0	> 3.5 T	5.3 T
Pulse length	> 300 s	400 s
β_N	~ 5.0	1.8 (2.5)
Plasma fuel	H, D-D	H, D-T
Superconductor	Nb ₃ Sn, NbTi	Nb ₃ Sn, NbTi
Auxiliary heating /CD	~ 28 MW	73 (110) MW
Cryogenic	9 kW @4.5K	

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Heating :



Diagnostic:

Black : installed Blue : plan for 2015

- **Magnetic diagnostics** (NFRI, ASIPP)
- **Edge probe sensors** (NFRI, HYU)
- **Recip. Langmuir Probe** (NFRI)
- **Visible TV (3 sets)** (NFRI)
- **Survey IRTV** (NFRI)
- **D-alpha Monitor** (NFRI)
- **Visible Spectrometer** (NFRI)
- **Visible Filterscope** (ORNL)
- **VUV Survey Spec.** (ITER KO, KAIST)
- **Resistive Bolometer** (NFRI, NIFS)
- **Imaging Bolometer** (NIFS)

- **mm-Interferometer** (NFRI)
- **Thomson Scat.** (NFRI, JAEA, NIFS)
- **ECE** (NFRI, KAERI, NIFS, Kyushu U.)
- **Reflectometer** (NFRI)
- **Hard X-ray** (NFRI)
- **Ellipsometry** (NFRI)
- **Deposition** (NFRI, HYU)
- **Neutron** (NFRI, HYU, ITER KO)
- **Fast-ion loss** (NFRI)
- **NPA** (KAERI)

- **XICS** (NFRI, PPPL, ASIPP)
- **Charge Exch. Spec.** (NFRI, NIFS)
- **ECEI (2 sets)** (POSTECH, UCD)
- **MIR** (UNIST, UCD)
- **X-ray Pinhole** (KAIST, KAERI, NFRI)
- **SXR** (KAIST, Far-Tech, JET, ENEA)
- **BES** (Wigner)
- **Li-beam** (Wigner)
- **Coherence Image, iMSE** (NFRI, ANU)
- **Divertor IR TV** (NFRI)
- **FIR Interferometer** (NFRI, SNU)
- **DBS** (NFRI, SWIP)
- **MSE** (NFRI, TU/e)

I. KSTAR Introduction

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Operation Phase I
2008 ~ 2012

Superconducting
Tokamak Operation

- Integrated control of SC tokamak
- First plasma
- H-mode discharge
- Experimental collaboration

Operation Phase II
2013 ~ 2017

Long-pulse H-mode
and ITER pilot

- **ITER priority research** (ELM, Disruption, NTM)
- **High performance plasma study using KSTAR intrinsic tools** (intermediate heating power, low density)

Operation Phase III
2018 ~ 2022

High-performance
Scenario related to
DEMO

- **Demonstrate advanced operation scenario** (high power, high density)
- Integrated control of profile and stability
- Research applicable to DEMO

Operation Phase IV
2023 ~

DEMO Advanced
Technology

- Stabilization and optimization of advanced scenario
- **Technologies at extreme environments**

Hardware Upgrade

- Heating : ~ 13MW
- NBI ~ 6MW
- ECH ~ 3MW
- PFC : graphite
- Density control: cryopump
- 3D field : IRC & RWM PS
- Electric : MG
- Cooling : PFC cooling
- Control & diagnostics

Upgr
ade

- Heating : ~ 30 MW
- NBI ~ 12 MW
- LHCD or Helicon CD
- PFC : metal wall
- Density control : pellet
- 3D field :
- Electric :
- Cooling : heating
- Control & diagnostics

Long-pulse discharges & ITER urgent issues was the main thrusts for 2013

❑ Main research goal of KSTAR =

Demonstrate steady-state operation of high-performance Advanced Tokamak (AT) modes

❑ We need :

- Understand the plasma compartment.
- Need to use a transport analysis code.

⇒ **TRANSP [2]** : successfully used with other Tokamaks (TFTR, DIII-D, Jet & NSTX, ...).

TRANSP = Interpretive Code

⇒ **Input Data are necessary**

❑ Work is to generate UFILES, by using as much experimental data as possible.

❑ For Now, we use **experimental data obtained** from different diagnostic devices: Reflectometer (NE), Charge Exchange Spectroscopy (TI, VT), Thomson Scattering (TE, NE), Electron Cyclotron Emission (TE), X-ray Crystal Spectrometer (TE, TI, VT) and Interferometer (NE)

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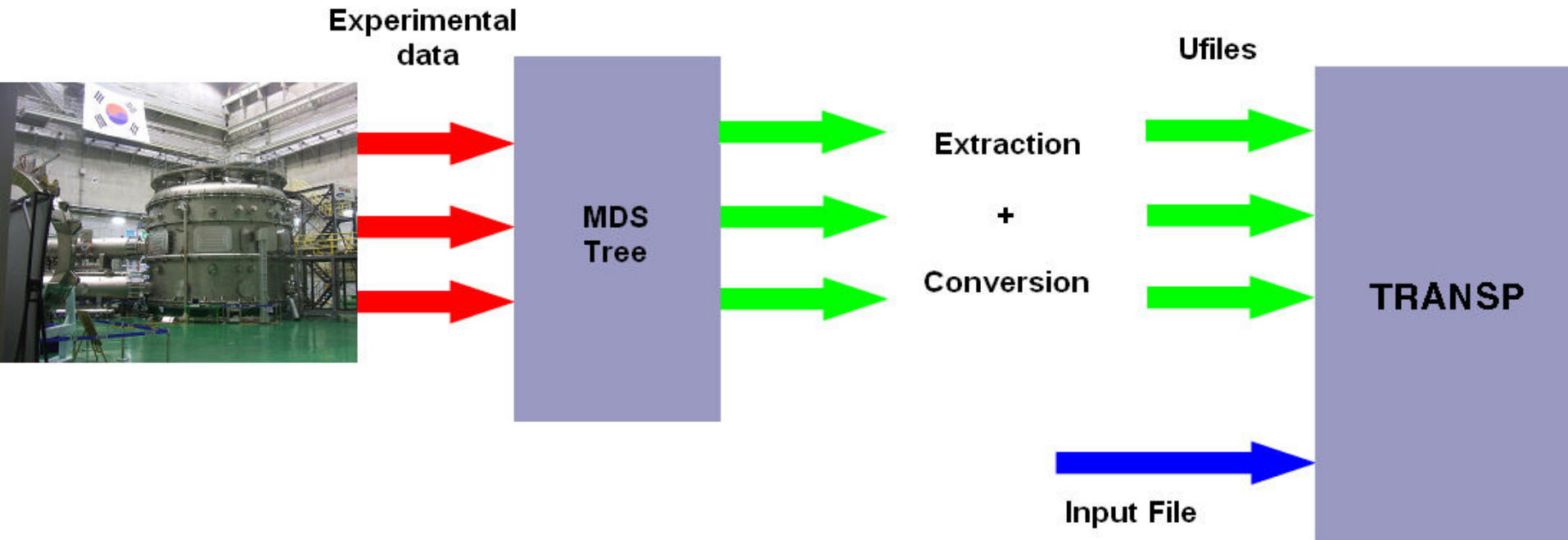
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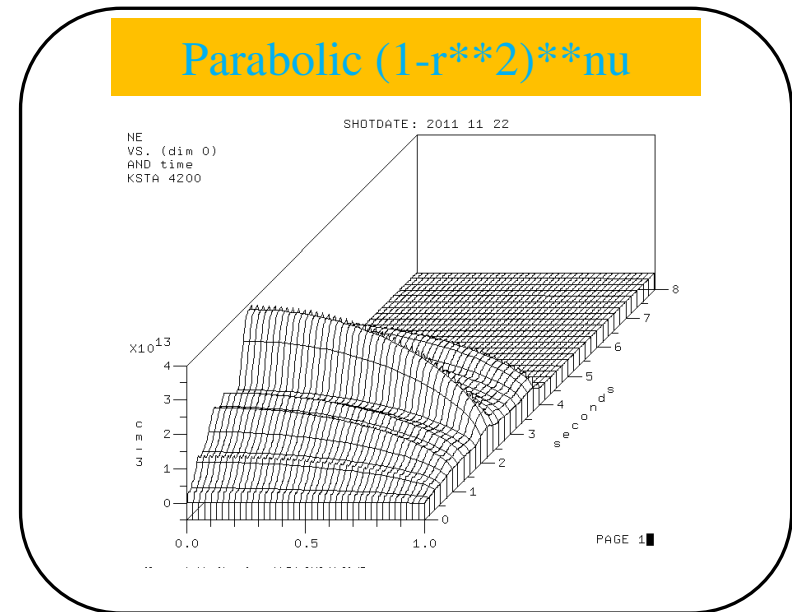
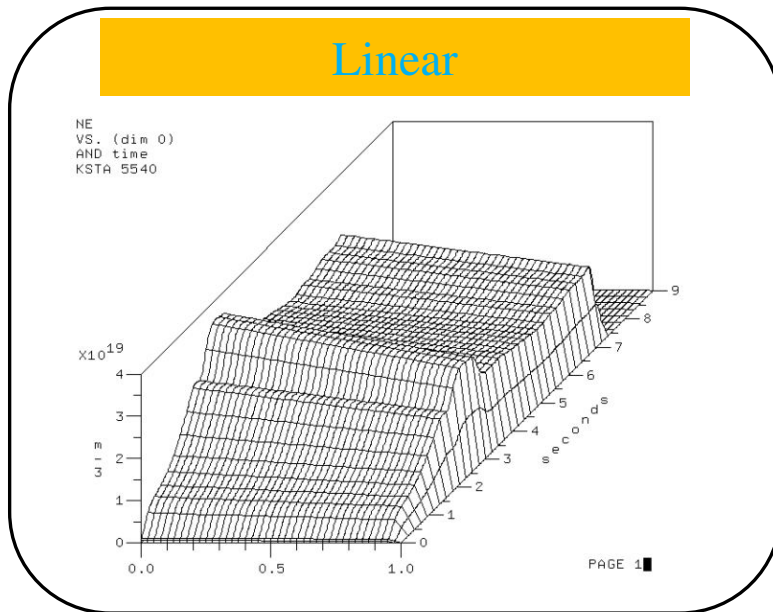
- ❑ Exp. data stored in MDSPlus Tree[3].
- ❑ Data extracted & converted into UFILE[4]

❑ Input Data used UFILE Format :

- More than 150 kinds
- In practice, only a few 2D (radial profile vs time - NE) and 1D (scalar vs time - current) used

II. Generating UFILES from KSTAR data

- ❑ For electron density profile, we can use the **Interferometer** data
But, data = line **average** density.
- ❑ Synthetic profiles => 2 Different Methods:



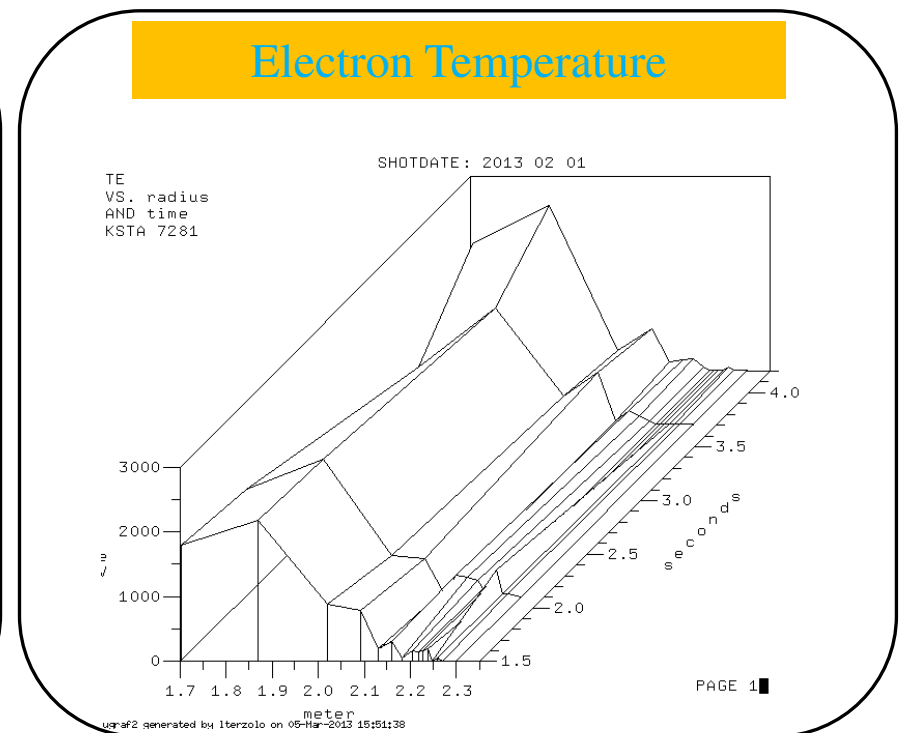
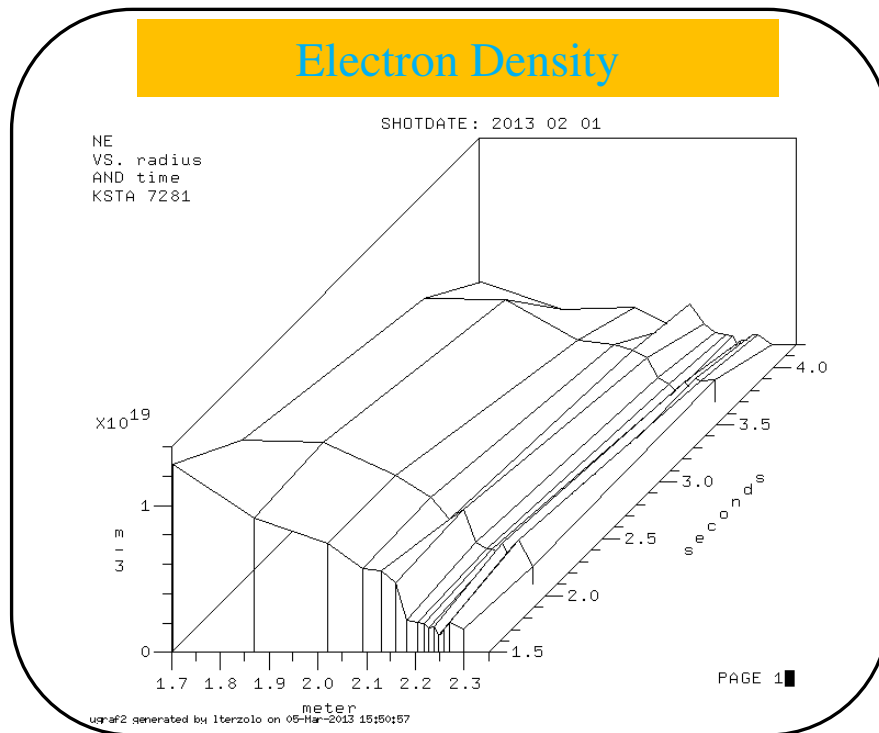
Available in KSTAR MDSPlus Tree (NE_INTER01)

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❑ For Electron density and temperature profiles,

=> we can use the **Thomson Scattering** data



Available in KSTAR MDSPlus Tree ([COREX_NE](#), [COREX_TE](#))

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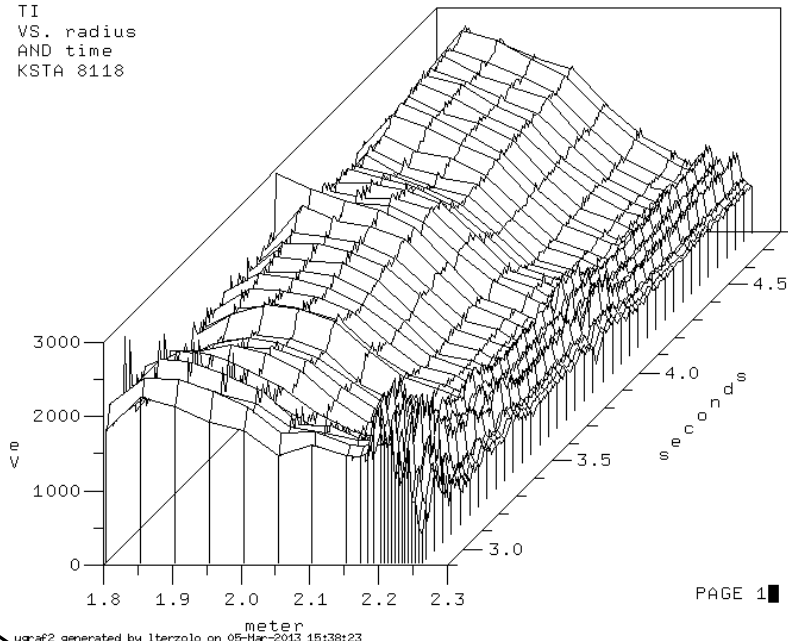
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- For Ion temperature and Plasma toroidal velocity profiles,
=> we can use **Charge Exchange Spectroscopy (CES)** data

Ion Temperature

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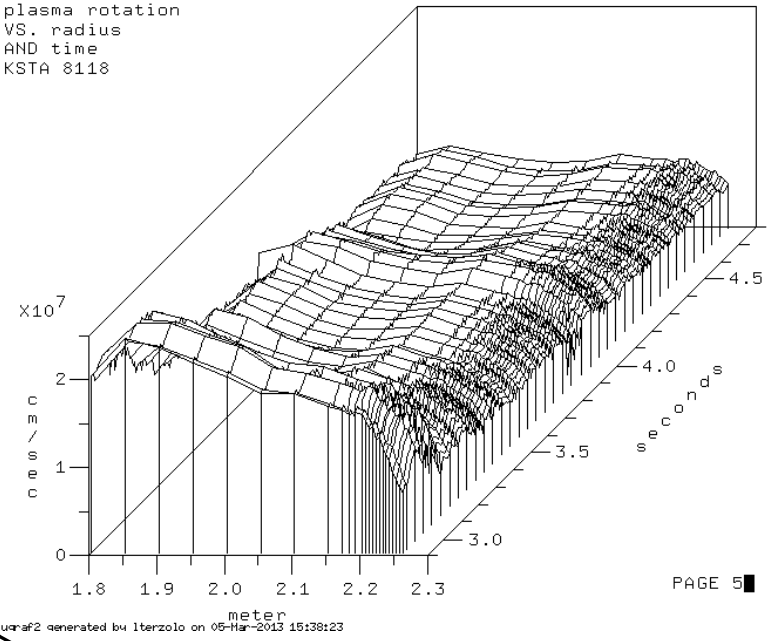
TI
VS. radius
AND time
KSTA 8118



Plasma toroidal velocity

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plasma rotation
VS. radius
AND time
KSTA 8118



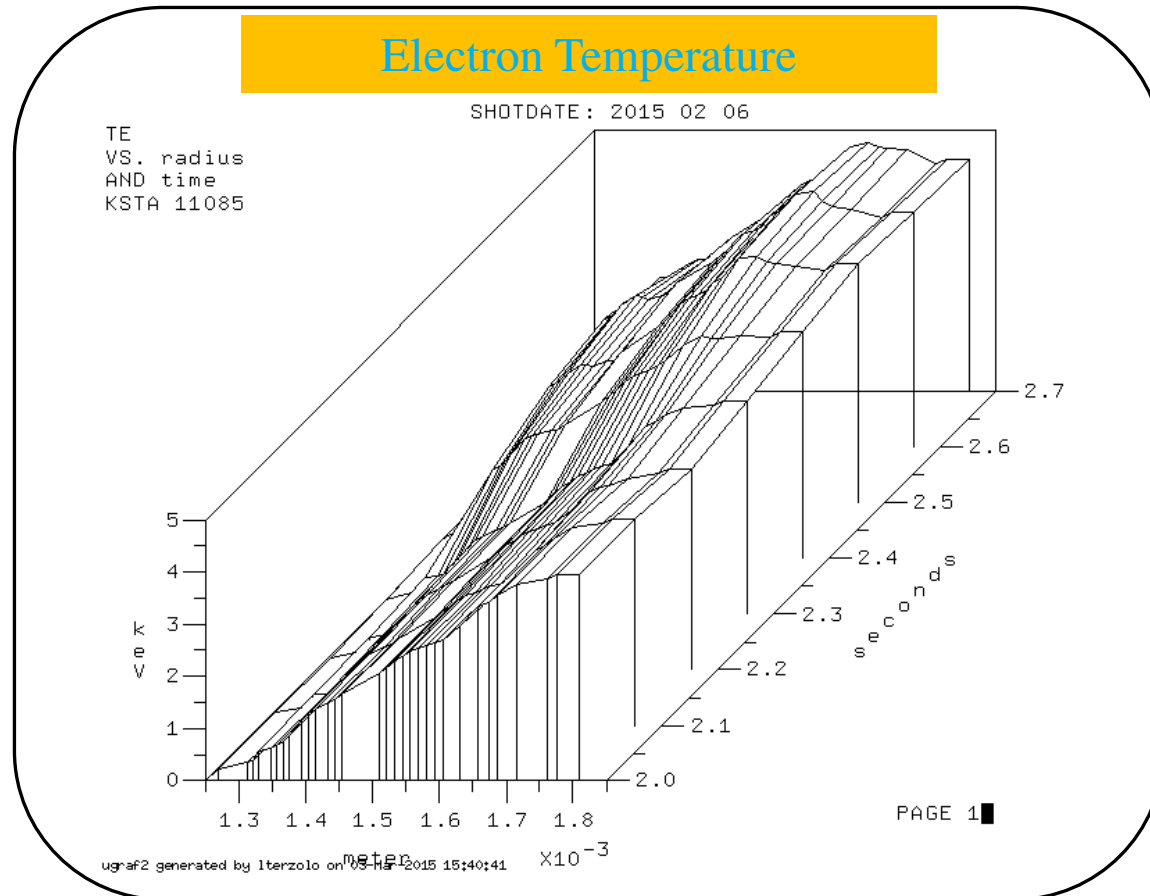
Available in KSTAR MDSPlus Tree (CES_Tixx, CES_VTxx)

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□ For Electron temperature profile,

=> we can use the **Electron Cyclotron Emission (ECE)** data

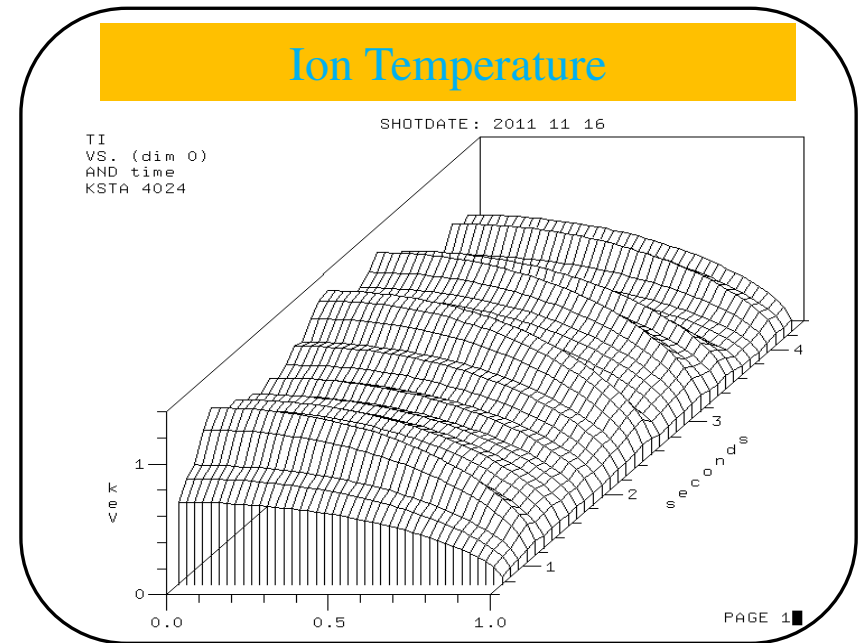
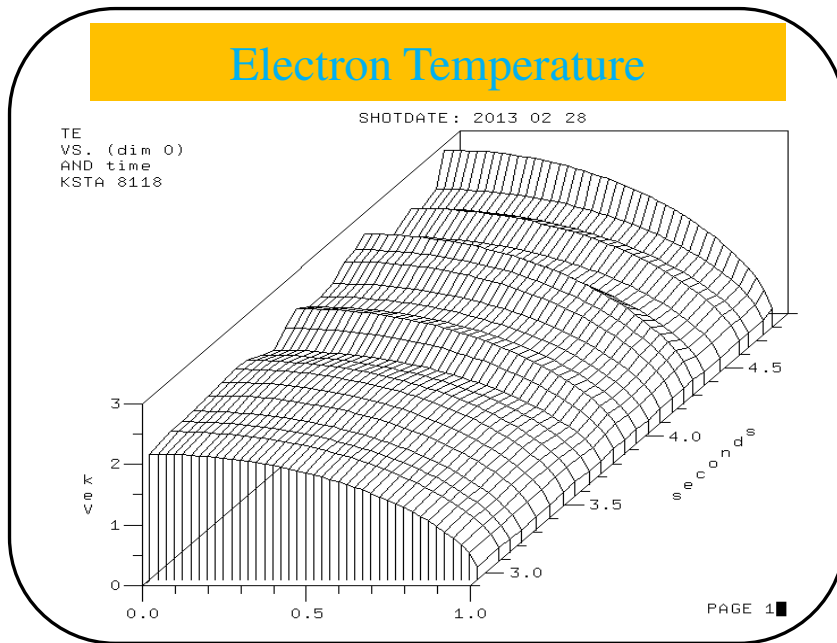


Available in KSTAR MDSPlus Tree (ECExx)

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- ❑ For Electron & Ion temperature and plasma toroidal velocity profiles,
=> we can use **X-ray Crystal Spectrometer (XCS)** data
=> **But**, data only in the **core** plasma.
- ❑ Use synthetic profiles,
=> we need to extrapolate the data by using a parabolic function



In KSTAR MDSPlus Tree (TXCS_TE053, TXCS_TI053, TXCS_VR053)

II. Generating UFILES - Smoothing

❑ Experimental data are noisy

=> Need for smoothing

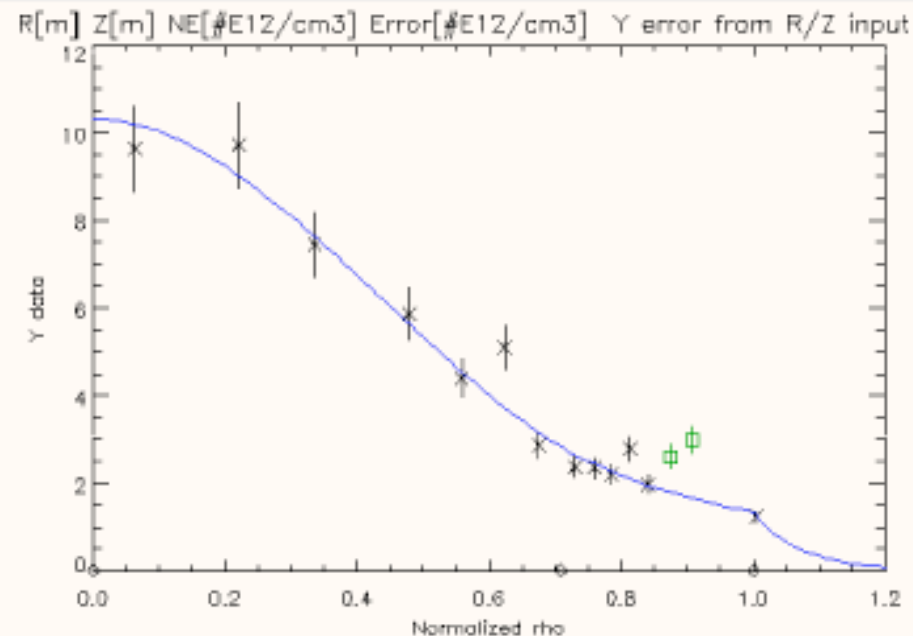
❑ UFILES can be smoothed by using:

gsmoo2

Kprofiles (GProfiles)

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lterzolo@hydra2:~/my-transp/data/KSTR/5540_s
GSMO02.EXE - FEBRUARY 9, 1991 - TBT
THE FILE DATA CONTAINS 0 ASSOCIATED KEYWORD SCALARS
DATA: KSTA 5540 SMOOTHING OPTIONS:
"1": SMOOTH DATA ALONG 1ST DIMENSION (X): radius      meter
"2": SMOOTH DATA ALONG 2ND DIMENSION (Y): time      s
==> APPEND "F" FOR *FAST* SMOOTHING, (E.G. TYPE "1F")

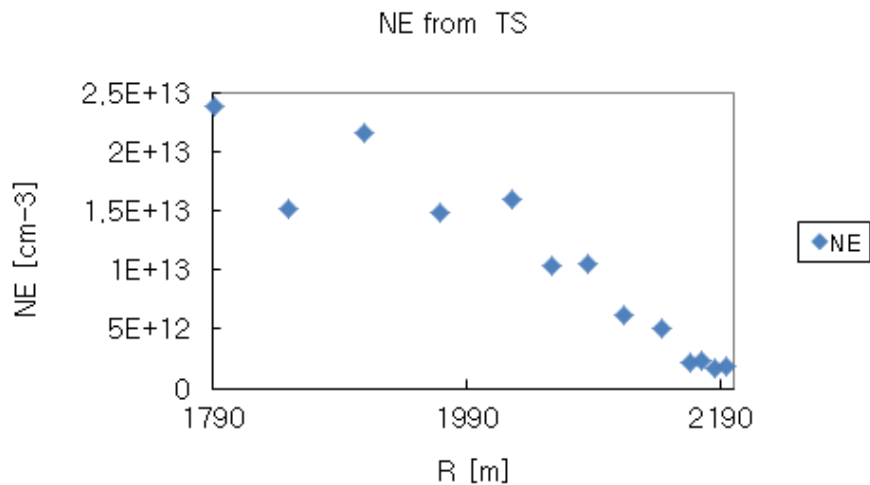
"A": "CUT AND PASTE" THE DATA (NUMERIC REFLECTION INTERP.)
"B": "CUT AND PASTE" THE DATA (CUBIC INTERPOLANT)
"C": AUTOMATIC 2-D DEGLITCH
"D": DISPLAY/MODIFY KEYWORD SCALAR DATA
"G": GRAPH THE DATA AS CURRENTLY STORED
"I": INTERCHANGE DATA INDEPENDANT VARIABLES (X<-->Y)
"P": COMPRESS- Toggle Ufile output format, NOW "binary "
"4": *new* Ufile output format control menu
"W": WRITE DATA [F: TE      eV      ] TO OUTPUT FILE
"X": EXIT: GET NEW SHOT WITHOUT WRITING DATA TO FILE
"U": [F(X,Y)] CHANGE UNITS OF DATA "F", "X", OR "Y" ARRAYS
OPTIONS "1" AND "2" ALSO PERMIT PLOTTING OF THE DATA
OPTIONS "1","2","U" AND "I" REPLACE THE INPUT DATA
GSMO02: ENTER SMOOTHING OPTION (1/2/I/W/G ...):
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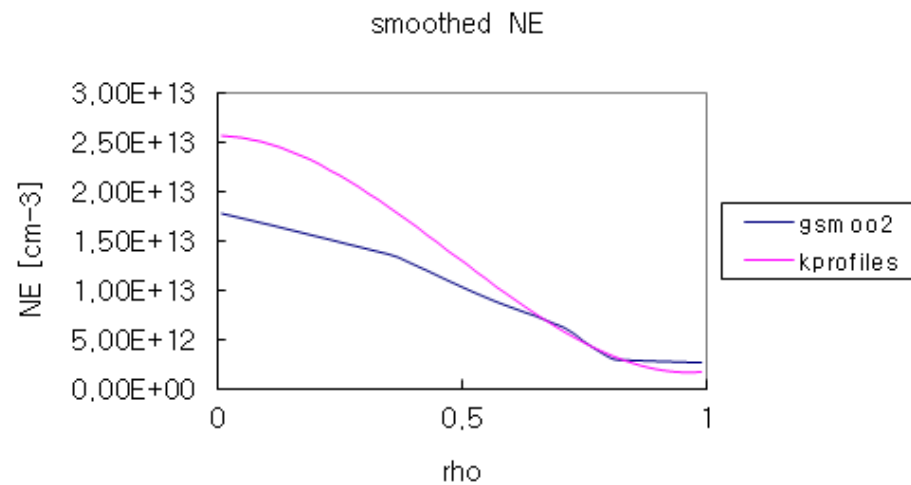
II. Generating UFILES - Smoothing

- ❑ Smoothing example of TS data.
- ❑ For KSTAR shot #10107 at t=3.6s

Raw data



Data smoothed with kprofiles and gsmoo2



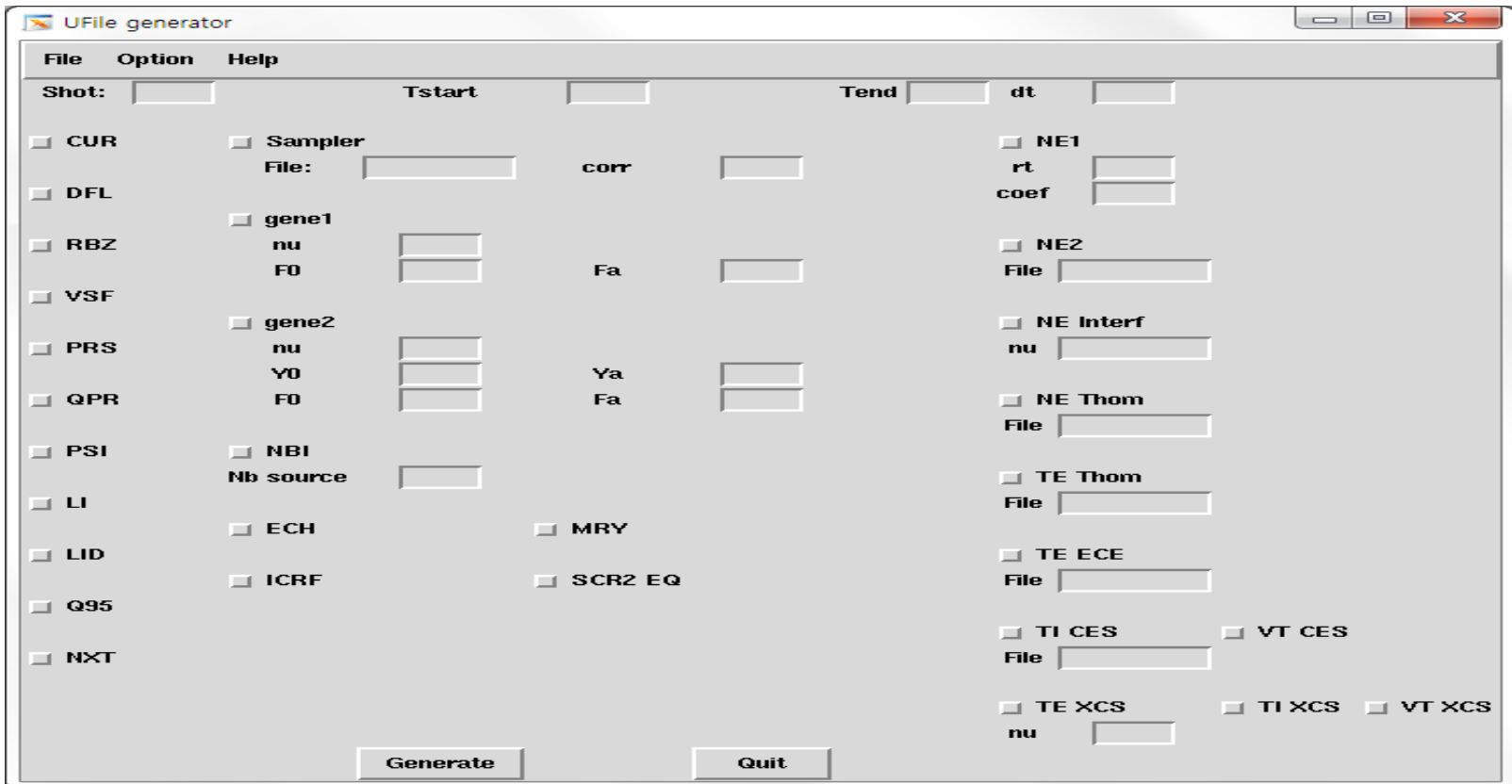
- **kprofiles** : Spline interpolation, but we need :

- run EFIT
- smooth the data for each time step

- **gsmoo2** : Simpler interpolation, but treat all the data in 1 step and no need for EFIT

II. Generating UFILES - Other UFILES

- In order to make the UFILE generation process easy to use, I created a GUI (python) that generates UFILE by calling different Fortran programs that extract data from KSTAR MDSPlus Tree (previously presented programs + others)



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❑ In order to run TRANSP, we need to follow these steps :

- Prepare UFILES (ikstar)
- Smooth(if needed): gsmoo2 or kprofiles (ikstar)
- Copy all the files on Hydra2
- Prepare the input file (*TR.DAT) (Hydra2)
- Test input+UFILES (Hydra2): trdat shot_number
- Create execution file (Hydra2): pretr shot_number
- Run (Hydra2): runtr shot_number

=> Need to juggle with 2 different clusters

❑ Output :

- A lot of results (more than 1000)
- Visualization: rplot shot_number

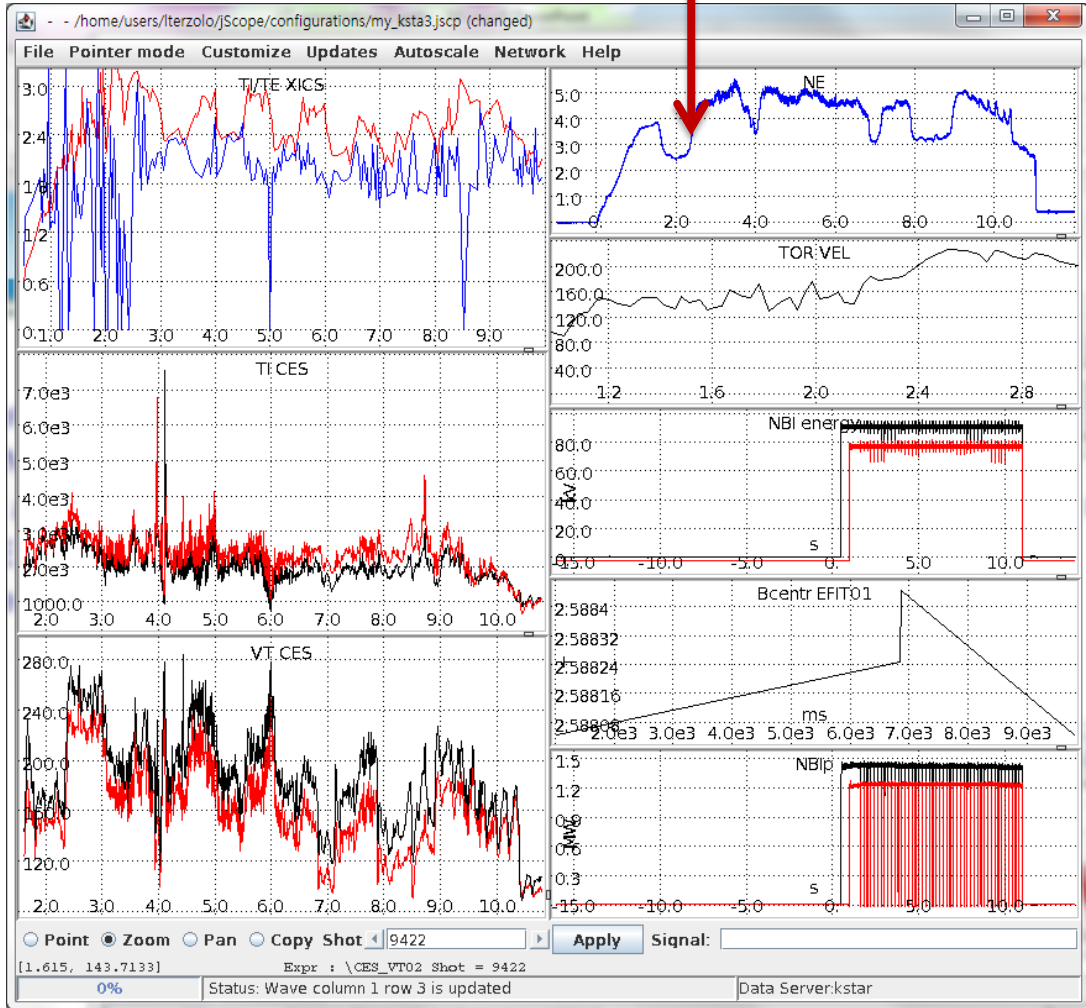
=> Not straightforward (lot of options) :

I created a program that extracts interesting data

from the result file (NETCDF format) and converts into ascii

III. TRANSP Results : Shot 9422 during L/H transition

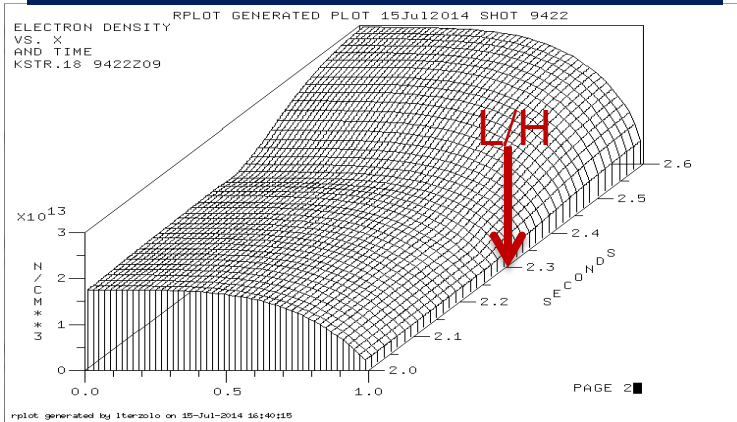
L/H



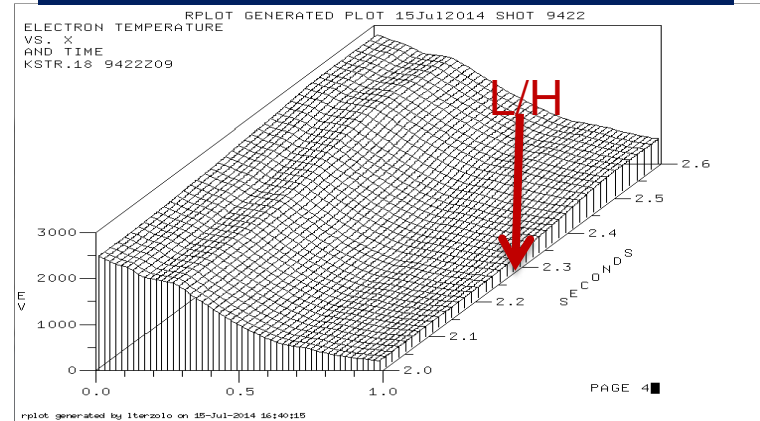
- KSTAR shot 9422
 - L/H transition (around 2.3s)
 - Simulation from 2 to 2.6 s
 - Heating
 - 2 NBI sources
 - Profiles
 - TI and VT from CES
 - TE from ECE
 - Ne from interfer. + TS

III. TRANSP Results : Inputs

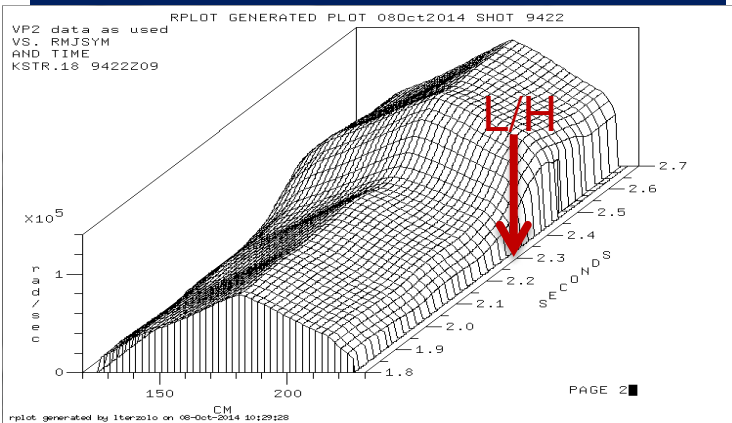
Electron Density



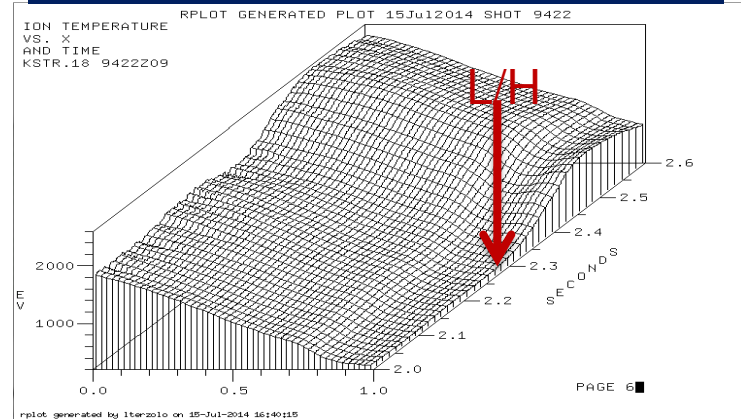
Electron Temperature



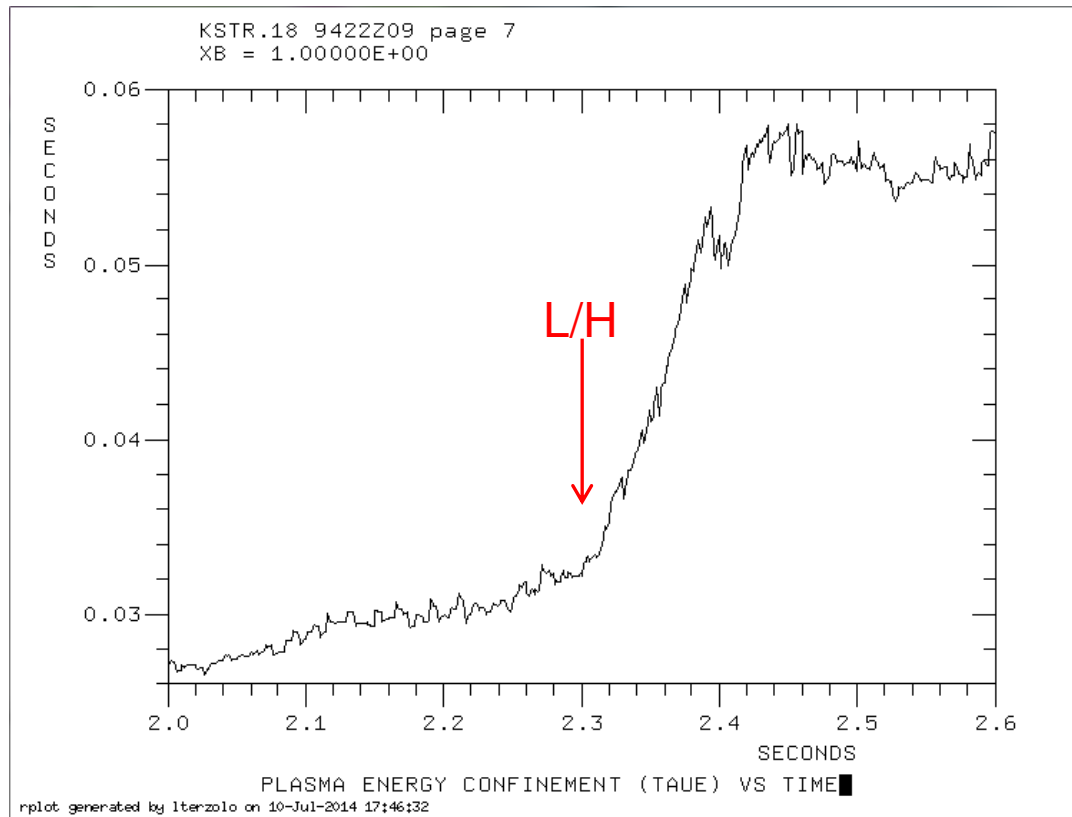
Toroidal Velocity



Ion Temperature

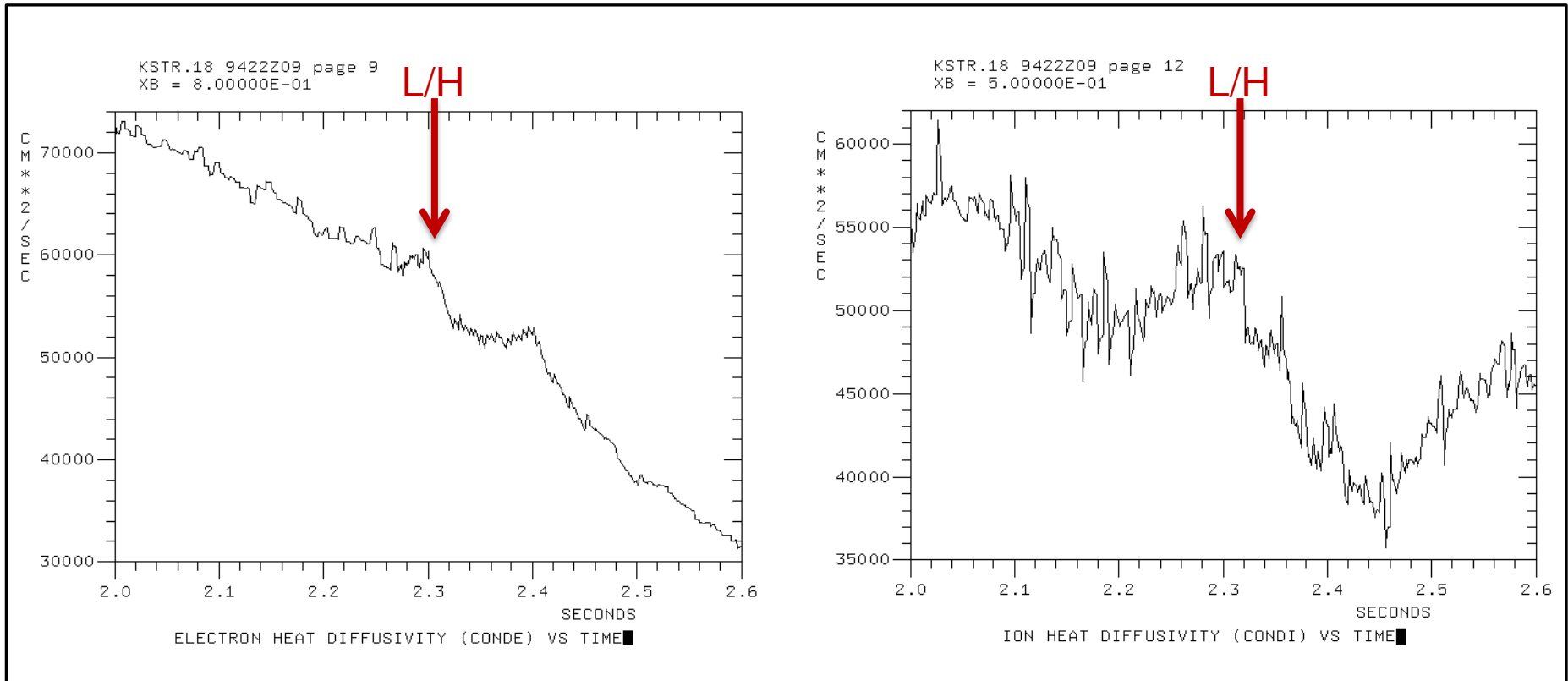


□ Confinement Time:



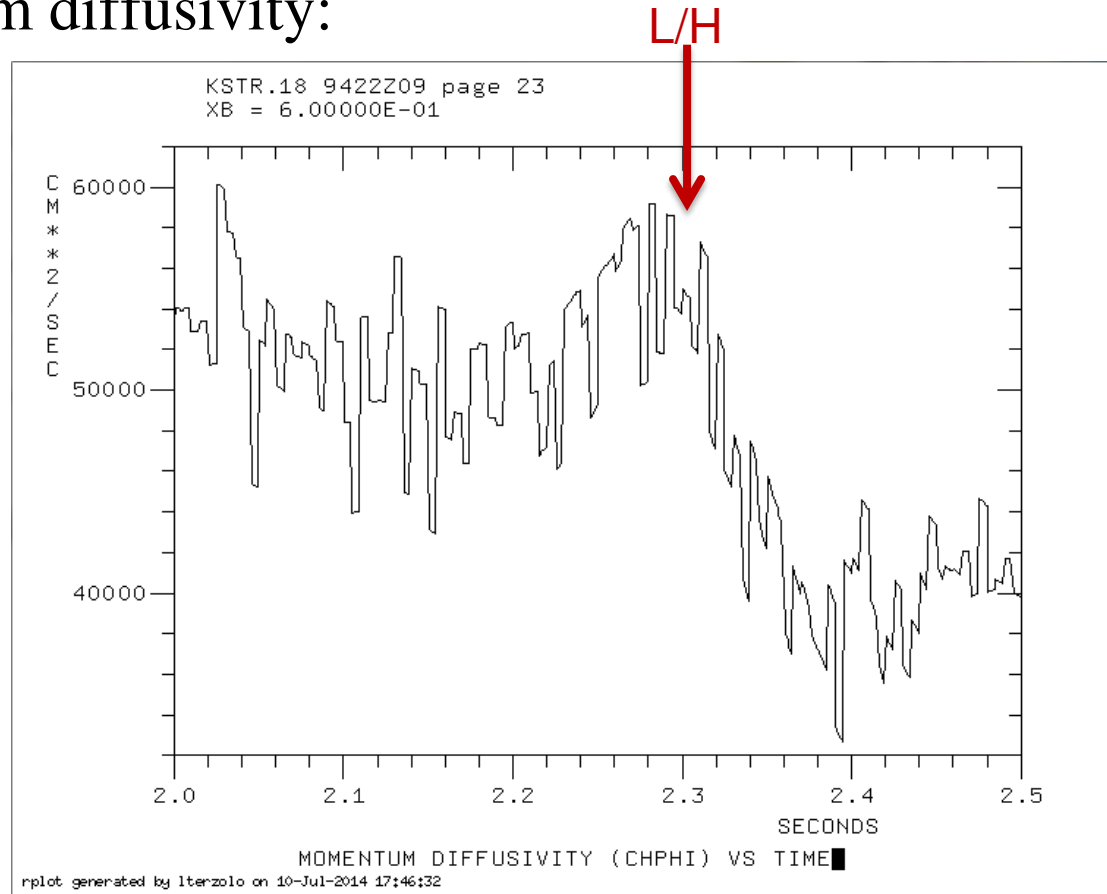
- Increase of confinement time during L/H transition
- H-mode = 2 times higher than L-mode

□ Electron and Ion diffusivities:



Electron & Ion diffusivities decrease during L/H transition => confinement improved

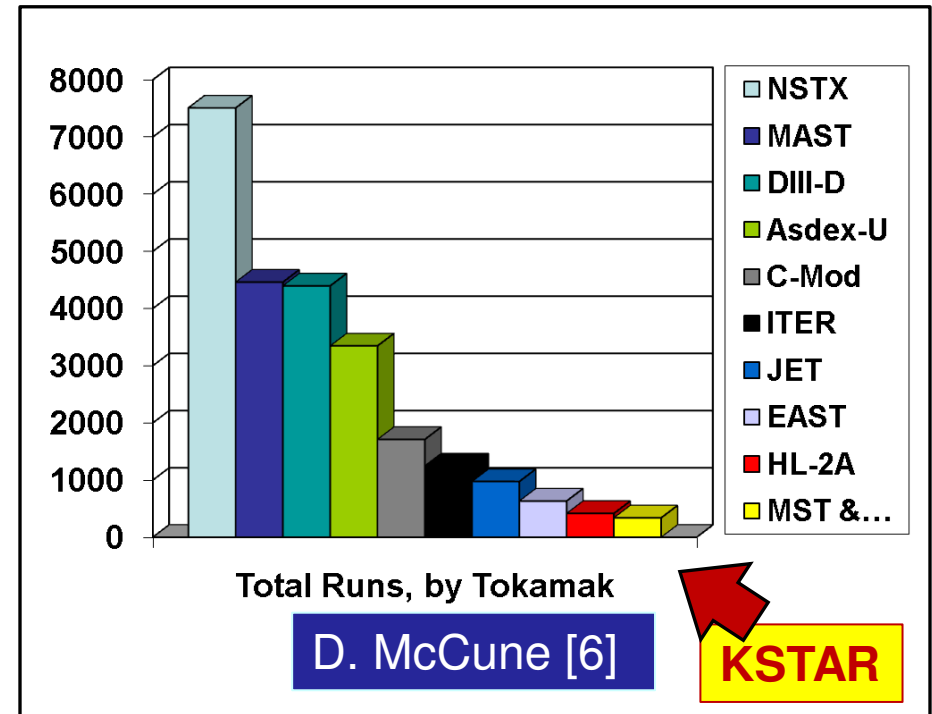
□ Momentum diffusivity:



Diffusivities decrease during L/H transition => confinement improved

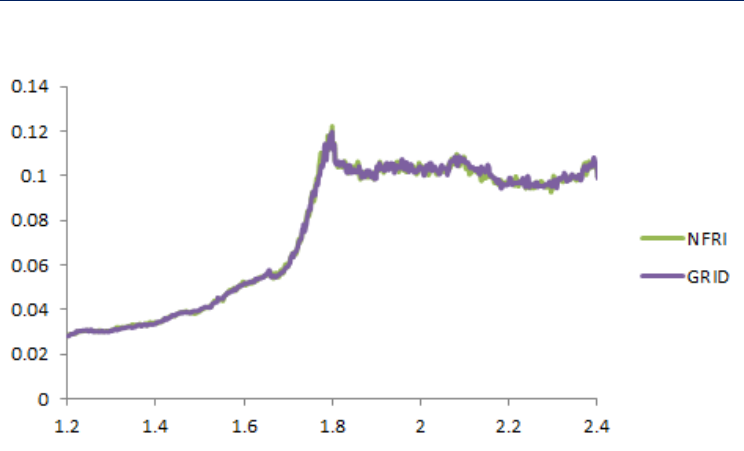
- Until now, we were using TRANSP installed in NFRI (2007 version)
But, we can use TRANSP-GRID (PPPL server) [5]

- Most recent version of the code
 - Less bug
 - Predictive TRANSP
 - New features
 - GENRAY code
 - GLF23, MMM08
 - ...

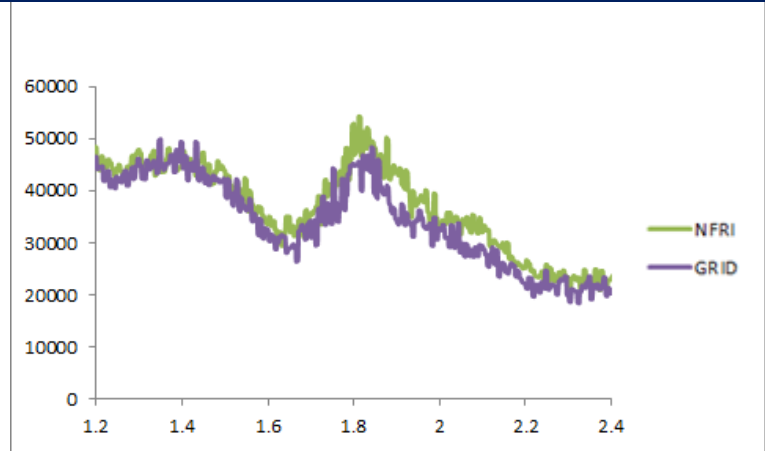


❑ KSTAR shot 7300 Comparison: Our TRANSP vs TRANSP GRID

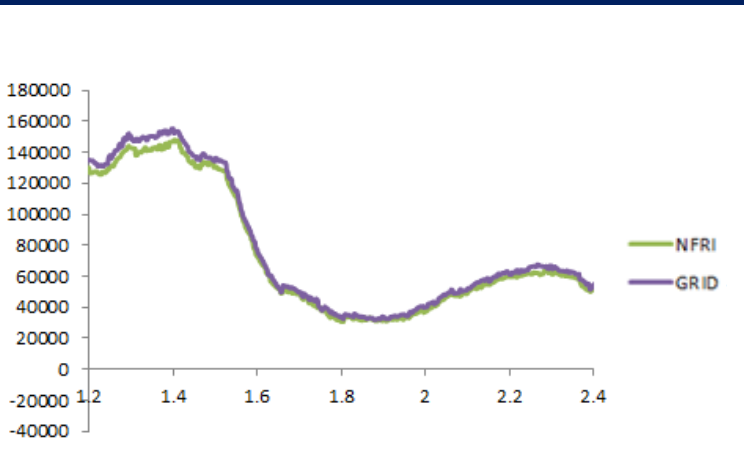
Energy Confinement Time Diffusivity



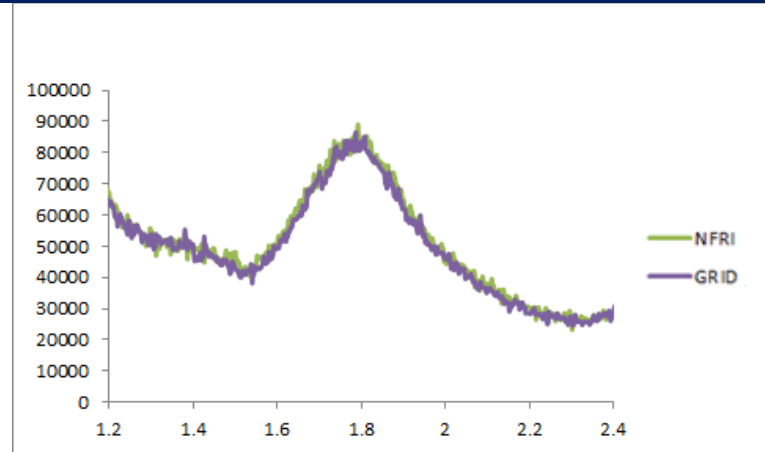
Momentum Diffusivity



Electron Heat Diffusivity



Ion Heat Diffusivity



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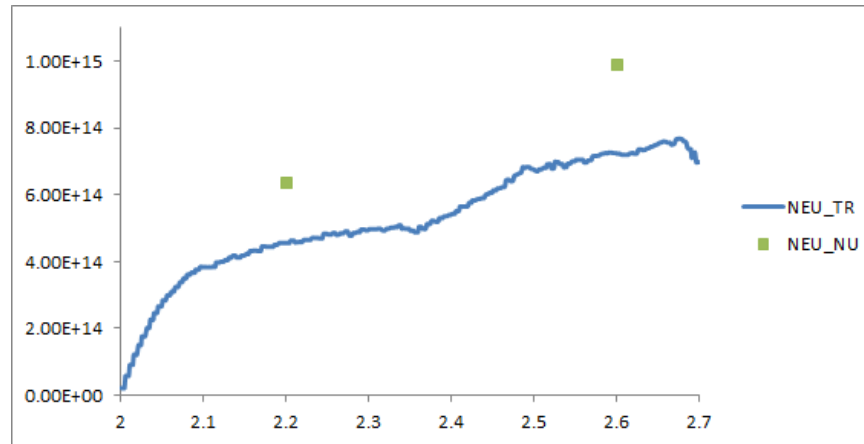
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- ❑ In order to run TRANSP, we need good UFILES but also a good TR.DAT file. For now, we are using a TR.DAT file adapted from an old NSTX case.
- ❑ How to check output data (figure of merit, ...)



=> Need to learn how to run TRANSP

“Ignorance is a wonderful thing- it’s the state you have to be in before you can really learn anything” – Terry Pratchett

- ❑ In order to run TRANSP-GRID,
 - Prepare UFILES/input file on ikstar
 - Copy the files on Hydra2
 - Check the data: trdat runID
 - Copy the files on PPPL's server
 - Prepare the run: tr_start runID
 - Submit the launch (send data and run):
tr_send_pppl.pl runID KSTR NOMDSPLUS
 - Check the run: http://w3.pppl.gov/transp/transpgrid_monitor
 - Get the data: tr_fetch KSTR.yy runID
 - Copy the result files on Hydra2
 - Visualize: rplot runID

=> Need to juggle with 3 different clusters

Hope to solve the connection problem NFRI/PPPL

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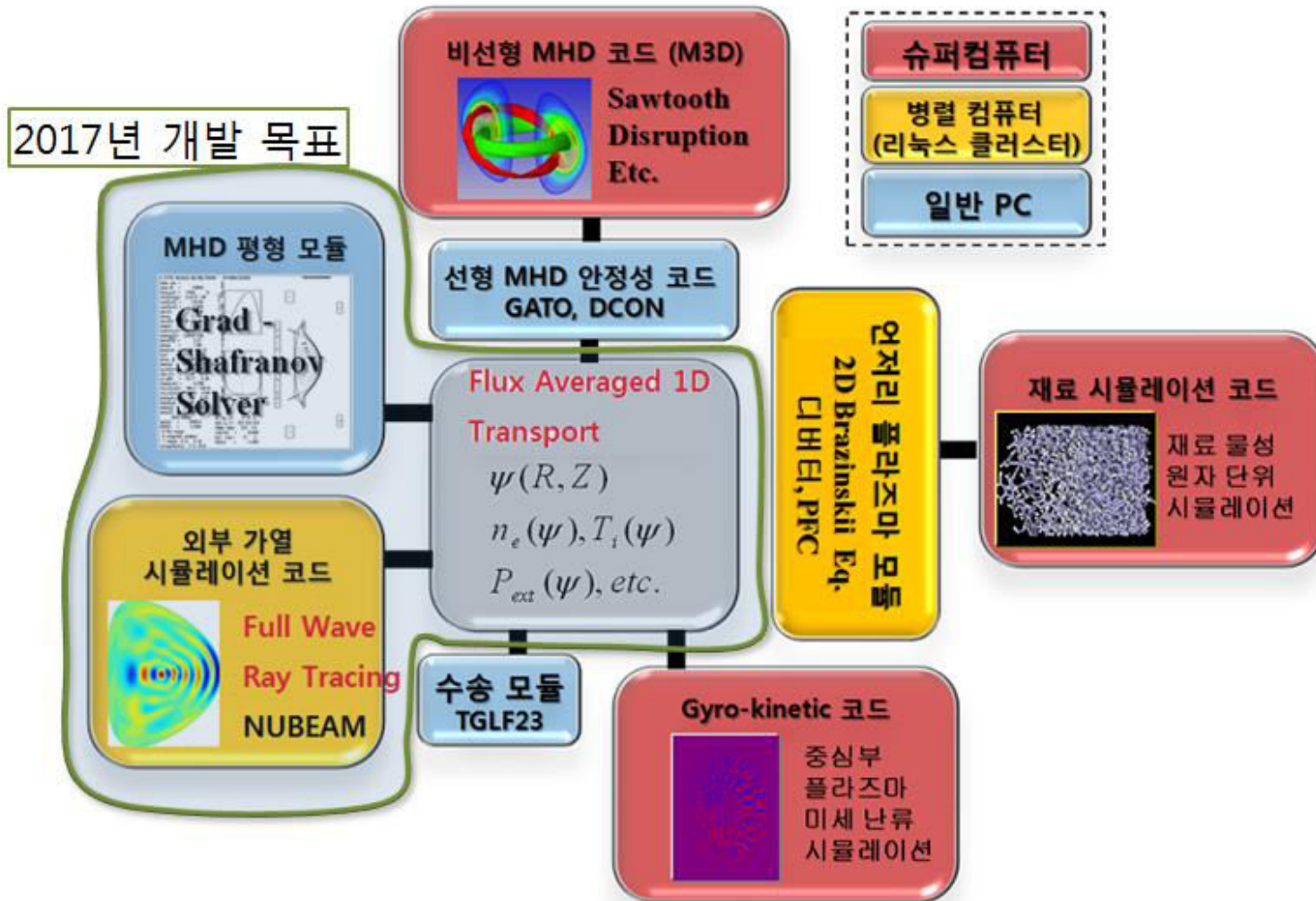
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- ❑ For now, we succeeded to create the main UFILE
from the KSTAR experimental data
- ❑ However, the results depend strongly on these input data
 - Need for accurate experimental data
 - Simple smoothing => Big differences
- ❑ When new diagnostic devices are available,
we must generate new kinds of UFILES (the more, the happier)
- ❑ Next step => to use TRANSP GRID and PTRANSP
- ❑ Later: use PTRANSP for benchmarking our integrated code

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