

# ITER Integrated Modelling Programme & TRANSP



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# ITER Integrated Modelling Programme

- A programme on integrated modelling and control of fusion plasmas, including benchmarking and validation activities, co-ordinated by the ITER Organization, but developed using relevant expertise within the Members' fusion programmes
- Overall aims of programme are to meet initial needs of ITER Project for more **accurate predictions of ITER fusion performance** and for **efficient control of ITER plasmas**, to support the **preparation for ITER operation** and, in the longer term, to provide the **modelling and control tools required for the ITER exploitation phase**

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# ITER Integrated Modelling Programme

- **Scope and Purpose**

- Covers **all aspects of physics modelling** to aid planning and executing ITER Research Plan
- Supports Plasma Operations and Plasma Research
- Extensive set of “Use Cases” **requiring broad spectrum of codes**
- Engages community in development
  - **Close collaboration with ITER Members’ domestic fusion programmes**
  - Particularly for verification and validation (cf. experimental results)
- Ensures reproducibility and promotes longevity
  - Provenance tracking: Historical record of modelling work and results

- **Implementation**

- Integrated Modelling & Analysis Suite (IMAS)
  - Based on earlier work by EU EFDA-ITM / EUROfusion-WPCD

# Unwritten Design Principles

- Be pragmatic, don't re-invent the wheel
  - Don't have resources not to be!
- Be lightweight, flexible and objective (agile approach)
  - Don't be biased, compare and use best available
- Be inclusive and open (not proprietary)
  - Be generic wherever possible and not specific
  - Interoperable with existing systems and data
- Make it easy for everyone to contribute
  - All improvements should be easy to include
  - Make attractive to use
- Be reproducible
  - Basis of good science
  - Provenance tracking
- Be useful!

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Framework for Integrated Modelling Programme

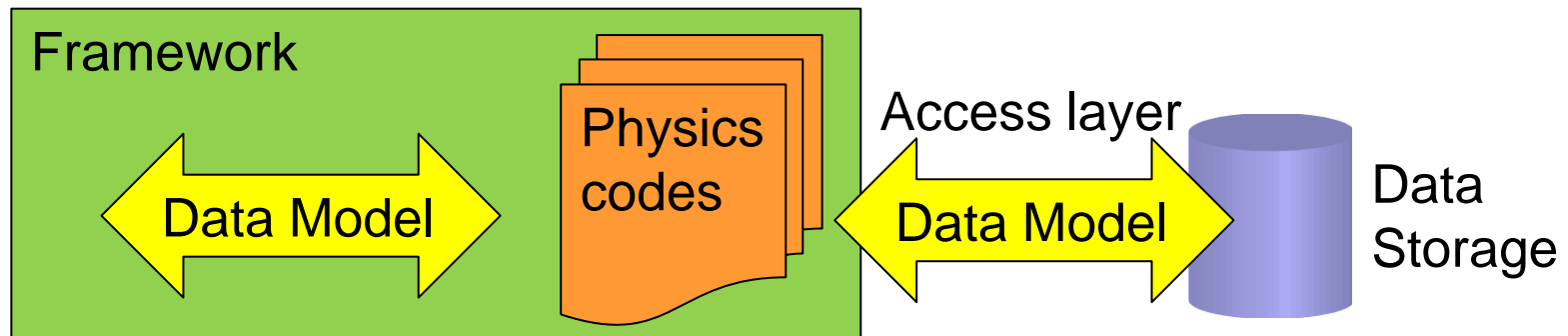
# **INTEGRATED MODELLING & ANALYSIS SUITE (IMAS)**

# Integrated Modelling & Analysis Suite (IMAS)

- **Physics modelling tools to support Plasma Operations**
  - Preparation of scenarios to support ITER Research Programme
  - Validation of pulses prior to operation
  - During shots for plasma reconstruction and live display
  - Post-pulse for comprehensive reconstruction using full set of diagnostic measurements
  - Components describing macroscopic behaviour should improve as ITER explores new physics domain of burning plasmas
- **Tools must be computationally efficient, robust, well-documented and interface with other systems**
  - Must be validated and have associated regressions tests
- **Managed by IO and accessible to all ITER Members**
  - Use distributed revision control system (git) to promote collaborative development
  - Revisions are automatically built and regression tested

# Integrated Modelling & Analysis Suite (IMAS)

- **ITER Physics Data Model**
  - Applicable for all physics usages
- **Physics Codes**
  - To support Plasma Operations and Plasma Research
  - Contributed and validated by ITER Members
- **Workflow Engine**
  - To orchestrate execution of modelling workflows



# ITER Physics Data Model

- Used for both experimental (all devices) and simulation data
- Used between physics codes and from/to storage
- Data Dictionary defines structuring and naming of data
  - Rules & Guidelines agreed following internal/external review (v3.0)
  - Uses a tree structure (allows re-use of names)
  - Automated definition of data structures for all supported languages
    - C/C++, Fortran, Java, Python, Matlab and IDL
- Interface Data Structures (IDSs)
  - Standardised entities for use between physics components
    - E.g. Diagnostic, heating system, equilibrium, core plasma profiles
  - Contains traceability (provenance) and self-description information

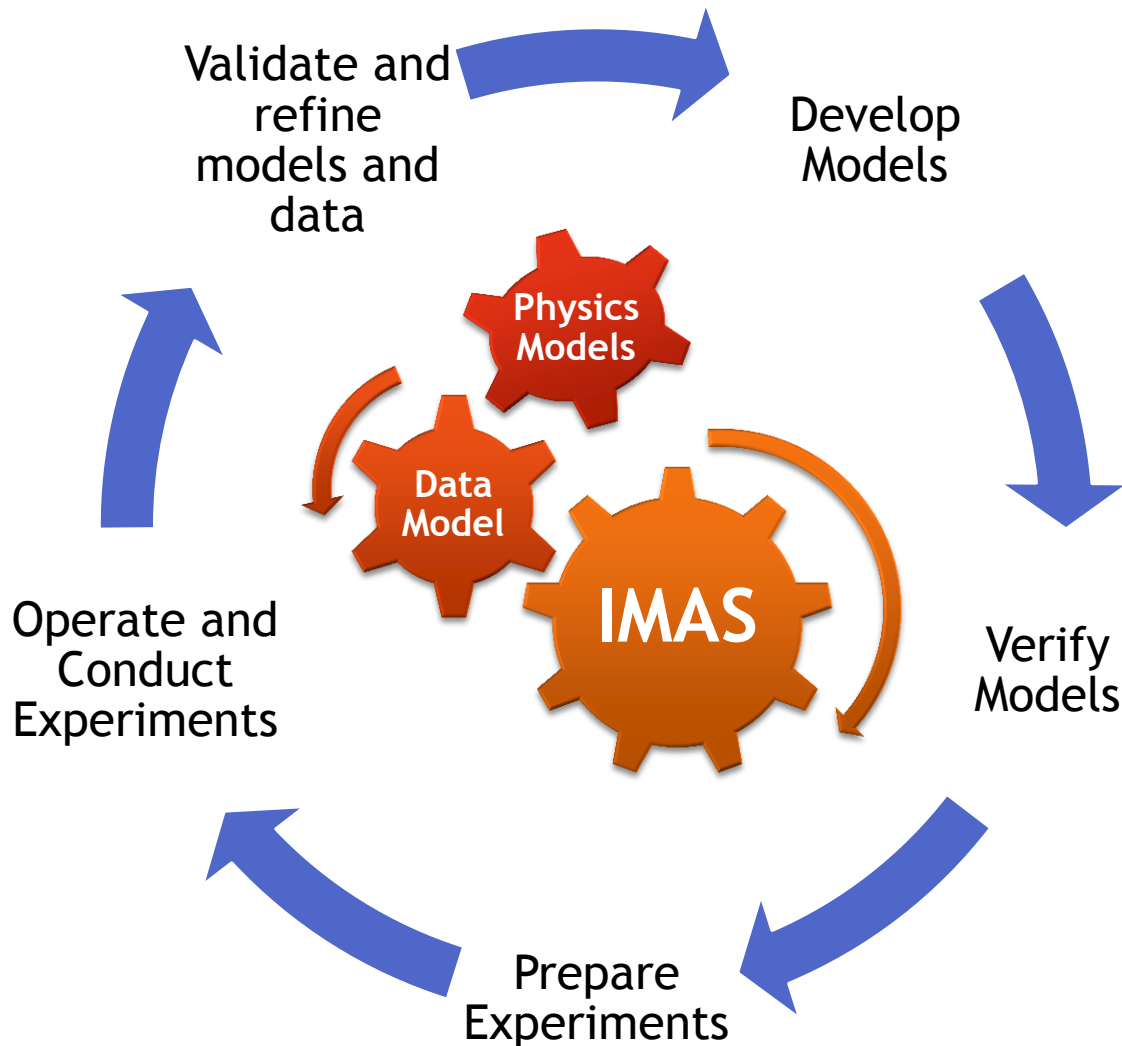


# Data Storage

- Users write to their (~/.public) directories and control access with file/directory permissions
- Remotely accessible central database will store approved data
  - Prerequisites include **provenance** of data producing software (SHA-1 hash of all components in software repositories) and input data

# Model Development Cycle

Consolidation of physics knowledge into numerical models



# Data for Validating IMAS Workflows

- Validation is important element of IMAS development
- Validation needs data
- Data is only available on existing machines
  - IMAS needs to connect to existing (as well as future) data
- Existing experimental data stored in wide variety of formats
  - ITERDB is planned to be based upon HDF5
- IMAS needs to be able to read different storage formats
  - Members write plug-ins to read their data formats and map into Data Model in framework supported by IO (documentation, examples, etc.)
- Mapping device-specific data into Data Model needs managing
  - Data Model allowed to evolve (currently on v3.0.3)
  - Demonstrate using IDAM to manage mapping (Q2 2015)
    - For MAST and JET
  - Read (and write for storing simulation data)

# IM Programme and ITPA

- **International Tokamak Physics Activity (ITPA)**
  - 7 topical groups that help address high priority R&D for ITER
- **IMAS can help support ITPA joint activities**
  - Regular presentations to ITPA Topical Groups and Coordinating Committee
- **ITPA Topical Groups are ideally placed to:**
  - Provide **advice on the choice of models** to integrate into IMAS to address ITER high priority R&D needs and other Use Cases
  - Help **validate models and workflows** through verification/benchmarking activities and against experimental data
    - ITPA TG on Energetic Particles has joint modelling activities on:
      - Calculations of NBI and ICRH fast ion distributions,  $f(x, v)$
      - Benchmarking fast ion linear and nonlinear stability codes
    - ITPA TG on IOS starting joint benchmark activities on particle transport simulations and burn control simulations

# Physics Integration Challenges

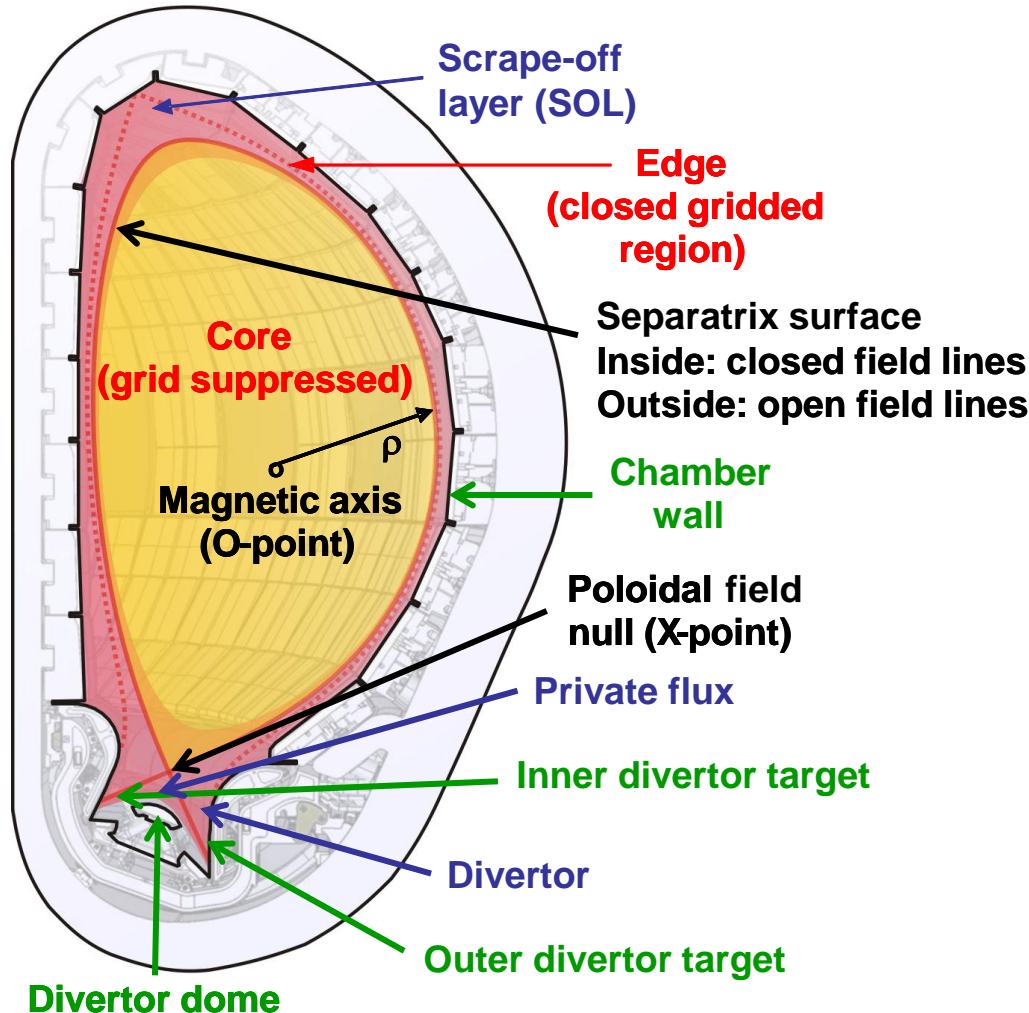
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Magnetic surface features

Plasma on closed flux surfaces

Plasma on open flux surfaces

Limiting material surfaces

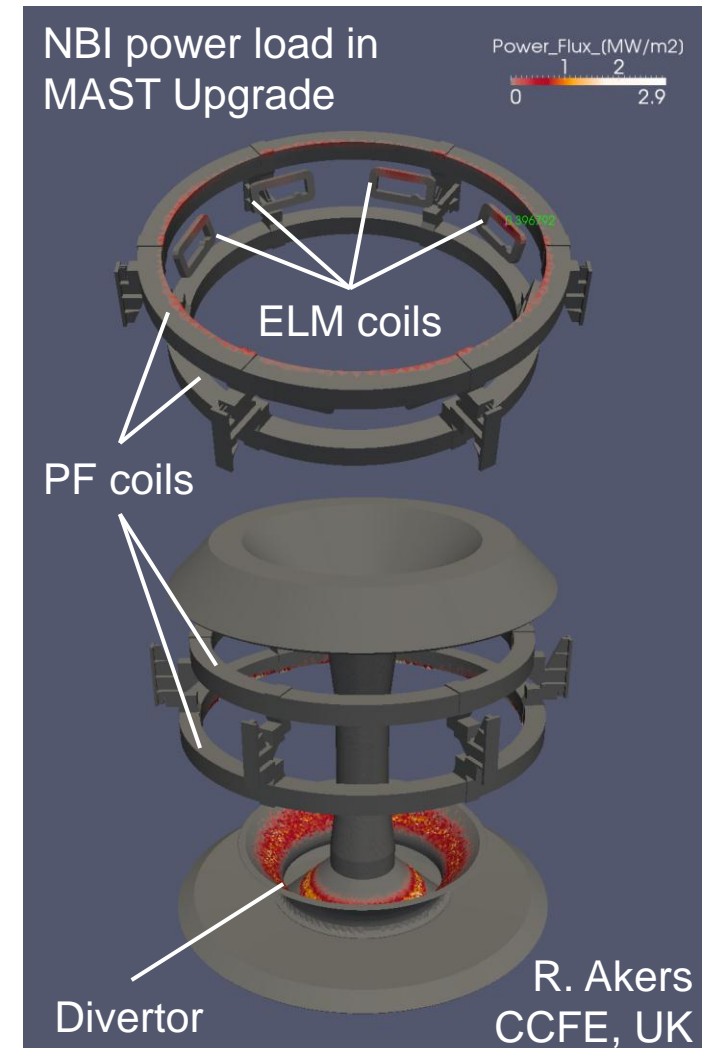


- Will ultimately require:

- Coupling of all spatial plasma domains (core, edge, scrape-off layer & divertor)
- Dynamic coupling of individual physics models relevant to each domain
- Interaction between plasma and PFCs
- Coupling of plasma with external circuits, H&CD, fuelling, pumping and other systems to confine and control plasma

# Computational Challenges

- Explore new algorithms and techniques as hardware evolves
  - Re-examine traditional approaches
- Exploit advances in architecture
  - E.g. Speed-up  $\times 50$  over single core by using GPU to follow fast ions  
→  $\times 200$  using four GPU cards
- Separate machine data from physics codes
  - Use Data Model to access machine/engineering/CAD data
    - Improved portability
- Validate physics codes towards use in engineering calculations



# Computation Challenges

- Parareal technique (time parallelisation) investigated as approach to accelerate ITER transport simulations performed with CORSICA
  - 2D equilibrium package + transport models + source modules developed by Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, USA
  - Computationally intensive
  - Parareal algorithm relies upon ability to create coarse / fine runs and the ability to restart
- With analytic source terms: Gain of **8.32** on 12 processors
- With NBI source terms: Gain of **10.13** on 32 processors

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What will IMAS be used for?

# **WORKFLOWS & USE CASES**

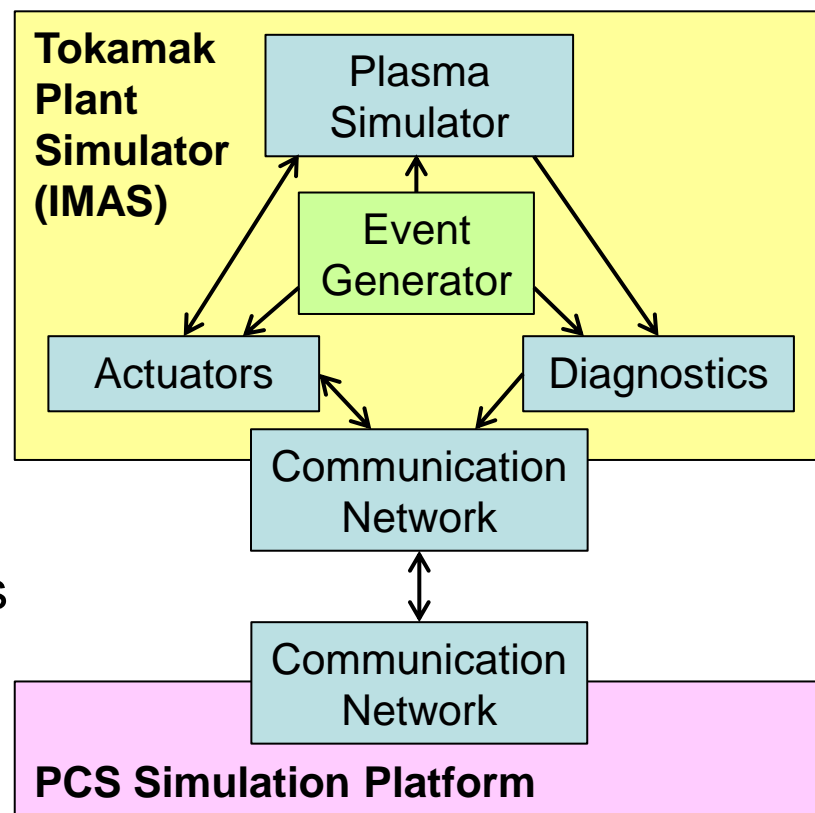


# Example Workflows / Use Cases

- Pulse planning/validation/execution
  - Core plasma + free boundary equilibrium + diagnostics +...
  - Live display of measurements and derived quantities
- PCS development
  - Synthetic diagnostics and combined measurements
- Plasma reconstruction
  - Including data validation, e.g. neutron rate
- Diagnostic and H&CD design, optimization and upgrade
- Ab-initio modelling of plasma phenomena
- Interpretive modelling of plasma phenomena
- Model validation and improvement, etc...

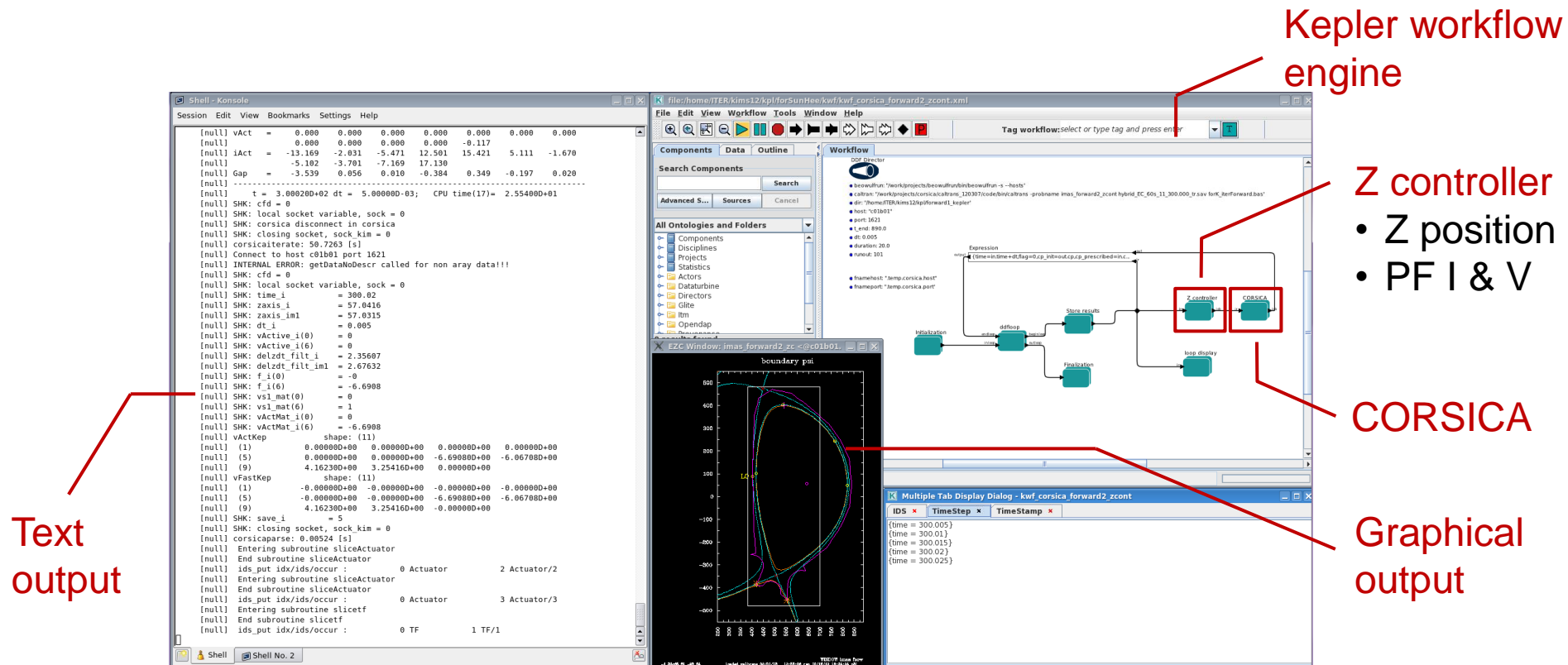
# IMAS Plasma Simulator

- One of the principle applications for prototyping IM framework and developing tools required for pulse preparation
- Co-simulations of Plasma Simulator and Plasma Control System Simulation Platform
  - Basis for pulse validation
  - Develop control strategies from plasma initiation to burn control
  - Refine response to events
    - L-H transition
    - Power supply interruption
    - Diagnostic degradation / failure
  - Troubleshoot PCS during operations
  - Coupled system can guide physics model development



# CORSICA-based Plasma Simulator

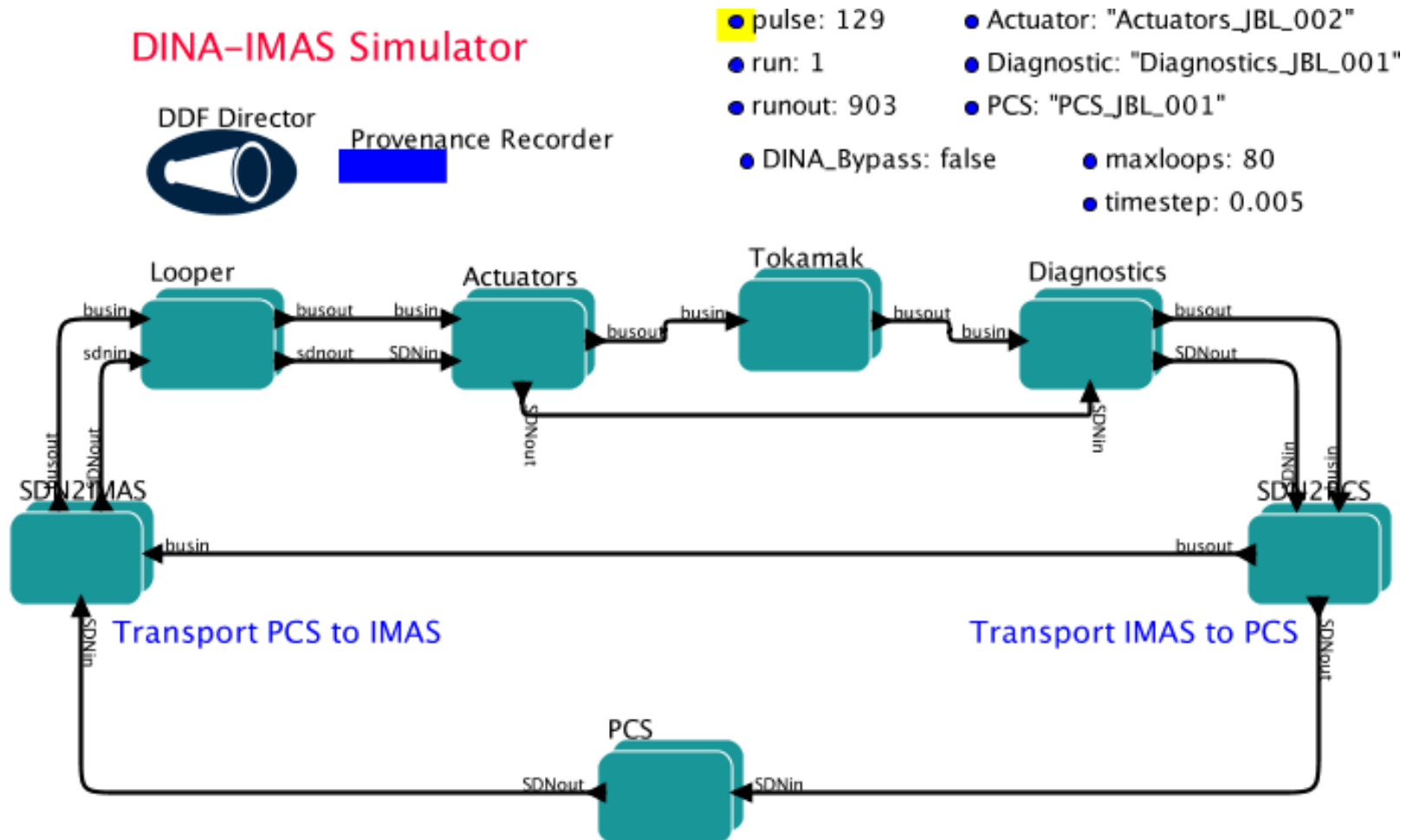
- CORSICA implemented as single workflow component
- Example: Free-boundary 12.5 MA hybrid scenario
  - Realistic sources and external vertical position (Z) controller



M Hosokawa, S H Kim, T Casper & LLNL CORSICA colleagues

# DINA-based Plasma Simulator

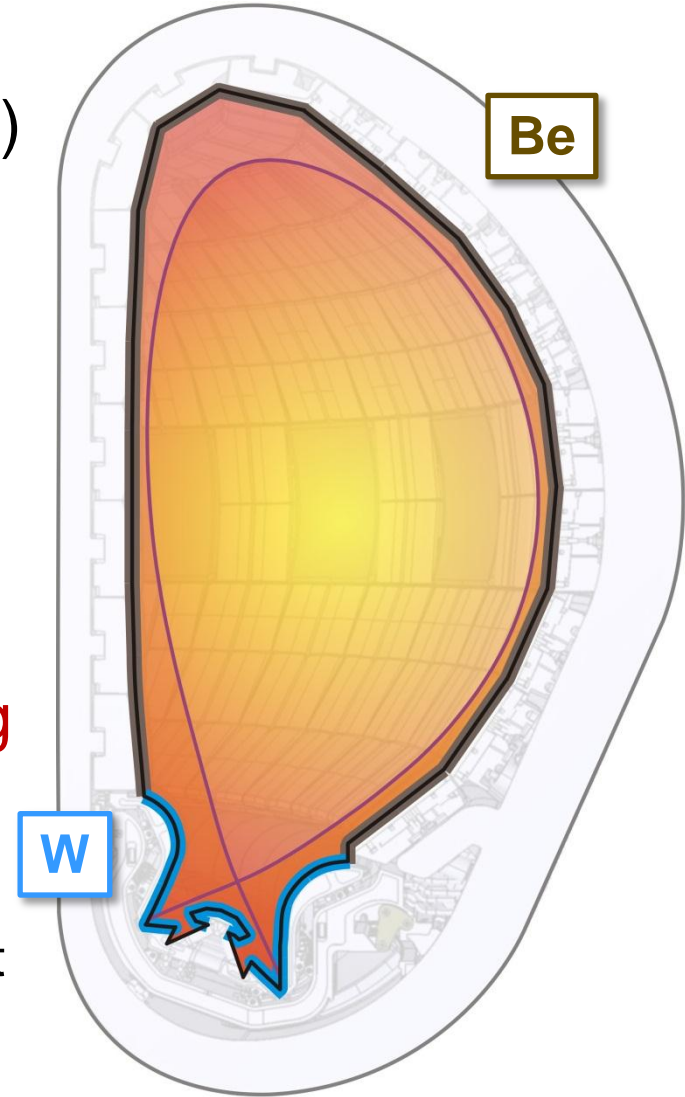
- DINA integrated into IMAS in modular fashion



J Lister, V Lukash, R Khayrutdinov and DINA colleagues

# SOLPS: Scrape-Off Layer Plasma Simulation


- Primary tool for ITER divertor design
- New version: **SOLPS-ITER** (April 2015)
  - Aims to be new standard version used by all ITER Members (works for all devices)
  - 2D fluid plasma solver (B2.5)
  - Kinetic neutral transport solver (Eirene)
- Will be adapted to use:
  - EDGE IDS, Generalised Grid Description (GGD), Machine Description, AMNS tools
- Coupled to modules describing heating of Plasma Facing Components (PFCs)
- Coupled to core transport codes
  - ASTRA (Automated System for TRansport Analysis)
  - ETS (European Transport Solver)



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How do we manage all the elements of IMAS?

# COMPONENT MANAGEMENT

- Categorised issue tracking using 
  - Collaboration, support and discussion
- Project management (agile approach)
  - Follows development cycle
- Can link issues with
  - Other issues (sub-issues, tree structures, ...)
  - Software development branches
  - Build and Test results

# Issue Tracking



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**IMAS**  
Key: IMAS Lead: Pinches Simon Category: IMAS URL: <https://portal.iter.org/departments/POP/Pages/IM-Users-and-Developers.aspx>

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Summary  
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### Issues

All issues  
Unresolved

Added recently  
Resolved recently  
Updated recently

Assigned to me  
Reported by me

Unscheduled  
Outstanding

#### Unresolved: By Priority

Priority	Issues	Percentage
↑ Critical	2	6%
↑ High	1	3%
↓ Normal	32	91%

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#### Unresolved: By Assignee

Assignee	Issues	Percentage
Buravand Yves	1	3%
Huynh Philippe	11	31%
Imbeaux Frederic	17	49%
Owsiak Michal	2	6%
Palak Bartek	3	9%
Pinches Simon	1	3%

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#### Status Summary

Status	Issues	Percentage
Open	26	43%
In Progress	4	7%
Resolved	6	10%
Closed	19	32%
On Hold	5	8%

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#### Unresolved: By Component

Component	Issues
Data Dictionary	9
FC2K	1
KEPLER	17
Universal Access Layer	16

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- **Why git?**
  - Allows simple asynchronous concurrent distributed development
  - Allows cheap branching and easy merging
- **IMAS has adopted a branch-based development workflow**
  - Focussed on bringing contributions together (i.e. limit forking)
  - Branch-based access controls
  - Can enforce code review and successful build/test before being merged
- **Web-based graphical front-end,  Stash**
  - Commits can be linked to  JIRA issues
  - Commits trigger building and testing on continuous integration server,  Bamboo
- **Can be used in conjunction with other revision control systems**
  - E.g. Subversion, CVS and Mercurial
  - Leads to some loss of workflow flexibility

# Distribution Revision Control



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**IMAS Core Installer**  
PUBLIC

**ACTIONS**  
📄 Clone  
🔑 Create branch  
📄 Create pull request

**NAVIGATION**  
📄 Source  
🔑 Commits  
🔑 **Branches**  
📄 Pull requests  
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## Branches

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Branch	Behind/Ahead	Updated	Pull requests	Builds	Actions
🔑 develop	Up to date	5 days ago	MERGED	✓	...
🔑 master <span>DEFAULT BRANCH</span>		5 days ago		✓	...
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🔑 old_develop/3	11   35	09 Feb 2015		!	...
🔑 old_develop/2	11   32	05 Dec 2014		✓	...

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# Continuous Integration Server

- Automatic build of components
  - Triggered as commits are pushed to repository
- Automatic regression testing of components
  - Branch class determines test
  - Can depend upon other components and elements of IMAS
- Automatic deployment
  - Of components and documentation
- Reporting



# Auto-Builds / Regression Tests

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<b>✓ ICP Master Build and Tests</b> ICP 2 days ago Changes by Jean-Daniel Delaplagne	<b>✓ ICP Release Build and Tests</b> ICP 19 hours ago Changes by Jean-Daniel Delaplagne	<b>✓ Access Layer (with DD dev)</b> IMAS Core 4 days ago Manual run by Louwrens Van Dellen	<b>✓ Custom Build</b> IMAS Core 5 days ago Changes by Simon Pinches and Louwrens Van Dellen
<b>✓ Data Dictionary (with UAL dev)</b> IMAS Core 4 days ago Manual run by Louwrens Van Dellen	<b>✓ Installer Sanity</b> IMAS Core 4 days ago Manual run by Louwrens Van Dellen	<b>✓ HGOLIB</b> Libraries 3 months ago Manual run by Simon Pinches	<b>✓ MINPACK</b> Libraries 3 months ago Manual run by Simon Pinches
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Code	Project	Contact	Affiliation	Member	Licence	Revision Control	Auto-Build	Regression Tests	Data Model
CHEASE	EQ	Olivier Sauter	CRPP	EU	1	1	1		3
NCLASS	TRANS	Par Strand	Chalmers	EU	1	1	1		3
CORSICA	SCEN	Lynda LoDestro	LLNL	US		1			3
DINA	SCEN	Sergei Konovalov	Kurchatov	RF	1	1	1		2
GYRO	TRANS	Jeff Candy	GA	US	1	1	1	1	
NEO	TRANS	Emily Belli	GA	US	1	1	1	1	
TGLF	TRANS	Jeff Candy	GA	US	1	1	1	1	
FINESSE	EQ	Jan-Willem Blokland	DIFFER	EU	1	1	1		
HAGIS	STAB	Simon Pinches	IO	IO	1	1	1		
PHOENIX	STAB	Jan-Willem Blokland	DIFFER	EU	1	1	1		
TORIC	HEAT	Roberto Bilato	IPP	EU	1	1	1		
CARRE	BND	David Coster	IPP	EU		1	1		
JOREK	STAB	Guido Huijsmans	IO	IO		1	1		
TORBEAM	HEAT	Emanuele Poli	IPP	EU		1	1		
DIVGEO	BND	Andre Kukushkin	IO	IO	1	1			
EIRENE	BND	Detlev Reiter	FZJ	EU	1	1			
HELENA	EQ	Guido Huijsmans	IO	IO	1	1			
SOLPS4.3	BND	Andre Kukushkin	Kurchatov	RF	1	1			
ASTRA	SCEN	Emiliano Fable	IPP	EU		1			
B2.5	BND	Bas Braams	IAEA	EU		1			
EFIT++	EQ	Lynton Appel	CCFE	EU		1			
NEMO	HEAT	Mireille Schneider	CEA	EU		1			
RISK	HEAT	Mireille Schneider	CEA	EU		1			
SOLPS-ITER	BND	Xavier Bonnin	IO	IO		1			
SPOT	HEAT	Mireille Schneider	CEA	EU		1			
BOUT++	SCEN	Ben Dudson	Uni. of York	EU	1				
ETS-C	SCEN	Frederic Imbeaux	CEA	EU	1				
GKW	TRANS	Arthur Peeters	Uni. Bayreuth	EU	1				
PARASOL	BND	Shunsuke Ide	JAEA	JA	1				
TASK	SCEN	Atsushi Fukuyama	Kyoto Uni.	JA	1				
ASCOT	TRAJ	Tania Kurki-Suonio	Aalto	EU					
CEDRES++	EQ	Eric Nardon	CEA	EU					
ETS-A	SCEN	Denis Kalupin	EUROfusion	EU					
HCDTOOLS	HEAT	Thomas Johnson	KTH	EU					
JINTRAC	SCEN	Michele Romanelli	CCFE	EU					
LOCUST	TRAJ	Rob Akers	CCFE	EU					
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OFMC	TRAJ	Toshihiro Oikawa	IO	IO					
RFOF	HEAT	Thomas Johnson	KTH	EU					
TRANSP	SCEN	Stan Kaye	PPPL	US					

# Status and Outlook for ITER IM Programme

- **Maturing IMAS framework available on ITER's HPC cluster**
  - **Physics Data Model** sufficient for majority of initial workflows
  - **First workflows** based on integrating ITER's existing physics codes
  - **Increasing interest** to incorporate and adapt physics components
  - **Software management tools**: Issue tracking, revision control (Git) and auto-building/regression testing available for all components
- **Future developments**
  - **Integrate and adapt physics components** to extend physics capabilities
  - Continue to **extend Data Model** compliant with Rules & Guidelines
  - Continue to **support remote use** by beta testers
    - 79 people from within ITER Members trained in use of IMAS this year
  - **Modularise** existing workflows and **extend physics capabilities**
  - **Package framework** for local use, testing and validation within ITER Members' domestic fusion programmes

# Local Installation of IMAS

- To support adaptation of codes to IMAS
  - Available Q2 2015, but no need to wait
  - IMAS is available on ITER's HPC cluster now
- Validation of IMAS and workflows easier in a familiar computing environment
  - Eliminate need to work remotely (if this is a problem)
- Any local developments can easily be incorporated into future releases of IMAS
  - Software management infrastructure used for complete IMAS framework (including installation tools) and physics components

# Next Steps for IMAS (2015)

- Implement a Plasma Simulator as a modular physics workflow demonstrating the capabilities and approach of IMAS that can be used as a template for the development of other workflows
  - Kepler workflow based on [European Transport Solver](#) (ETS) and using [CHEASE](#) (for equilibrium), [NCLASS](#) (for neoclassical transport), etc.
- Extend Data Model to treat error bars
  - Dynamic handled in Access Layer
- Create Machine Descriptions
- Extend data access capabilities to provide access to existing (and future!) experimental data in form of IDSs



# Possible steps for integration of TRANSP into IMAS

- Licence TRANSP for use within IMAS
- TRANSP installation and compilation at ITER
  - Host TRANSP in ITER git repositories
    - Can link to TRANSP svn repository (as trusted host)
- Adapt TRANSP to use ITER Data Model for overall I/O
- Adapt TRANSP to exchange data with other physics components using ITER Data Model during simulation
- Create modular TRANSP workflow within IMAS by creating components that exchange data using ITER Data Model
  - Allows flexible use of other IMAS physics components within TRANSP workflow

# ITER's Modelling Needs

- **Need predictive code for simulations of ITER scenarios**
  - Complete pulse from **breakdown** to **termination**
  - Respecting **plant limitations** (e.g. PF circuits)
  - **Free-boundary evolution** including **realistic plasma transport**
    - With **multiple impurities** (W, Be, He, Ne, Ar, N,...)
  - Extensible to include **edge/SOL** & **PFCs**
  - **Modular** inclusion of sources: **H&CD**, **fuelling** (pellets & gas)
  - Description of **transients**: H-L/L-H, MHD (sawteeth, ELMs, AE)
- **All components must be**
  - Well documented (users and developers) with training
  - Easy to maintain / supported as/when required
  - Modular, extensible, flexible, distributable
  - Hosted at ITER and adapted to IMAS (principally Data Model)
  - Rigorously tested and validated with regression tests (CI server)
  - Match requirements for Use Cases (physics and performance)



# More Information

- ITER Integrated Modelling Programme (2EFR4K)
  - [https://user.iter.org/?uid=2EFR4K&action=get\\_document](https://user.iter.org/?uid=2EFR4K&action=get_document)
- Links to training material, data model and software management tools (repositories, issue tracking and auto-building/regression testing/continuous integration)
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