



# Overview of Bayesian plasma diagnostic modelling

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- Bayesian modelling within the Minerva framework
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# Plasma diagnostic modelling in nuclear fusion experiments

- Key parameters:
  - Particle densities:  $n_e, n_i$
  - Particle temperatures:  $T_e, T_i$
  - Plasma radiation,  $Z_{\text{eff}}$ , etc.
- Diagnostic observations of various physical processes:
  - Thomson scattering  $\leftarrow n_e, T_e$
  - Interferometry  $\leftarrow n_e$
  - Beam emission spectroscopy  $\leftarrow n_e, T_e, n_i, T_i$
  - Passive spectroscopy (bremsstrahlung, charge exchange)  $\leftarrow T_i, Z_{\text{eff}}$
  - Soft X-rays, bolometry, etc.



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  - Model assumptions (regularization), systematic parameters, and other aspects are clearly defined in the model and easily accessible through graphical representation, facilitating maintenance, debugging, reproducibility, etc.

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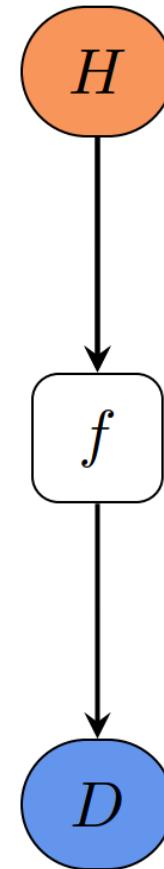
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- Once the observations are available, we can update  $P(H)$  to the posterior state  $P(H|D)$  by Bayes' theorem:

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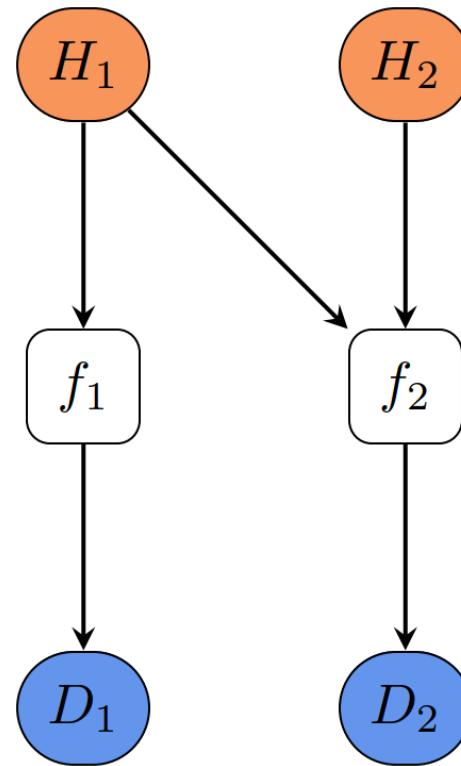
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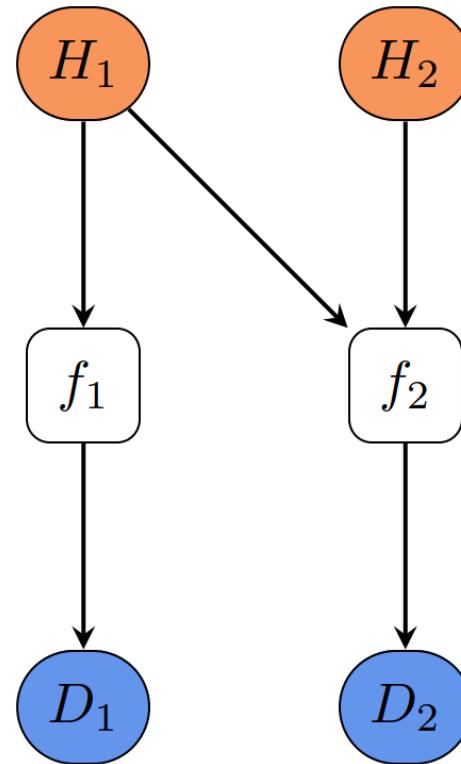


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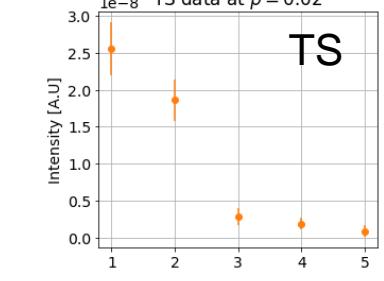
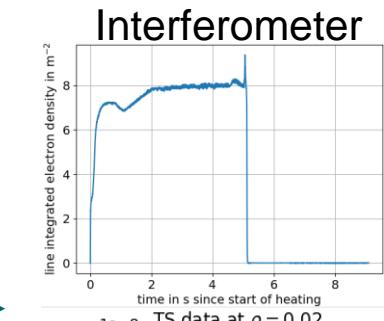
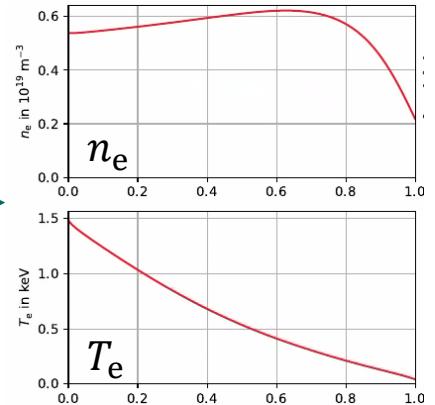
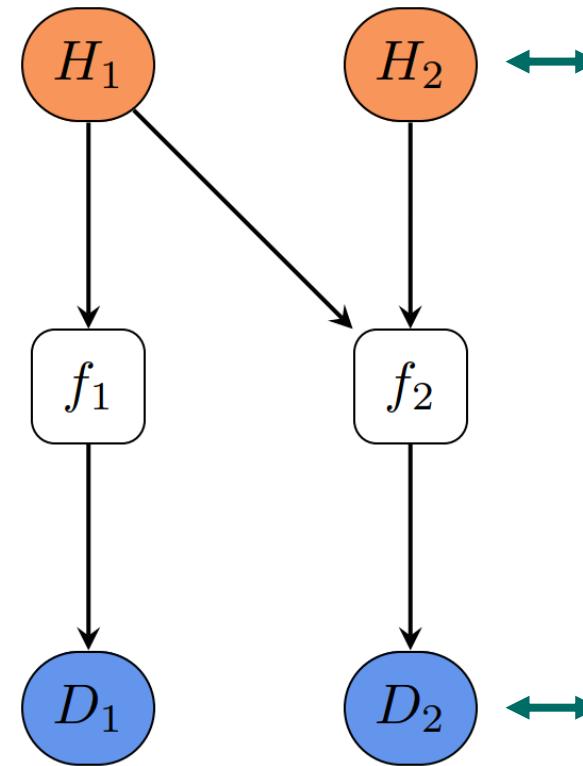


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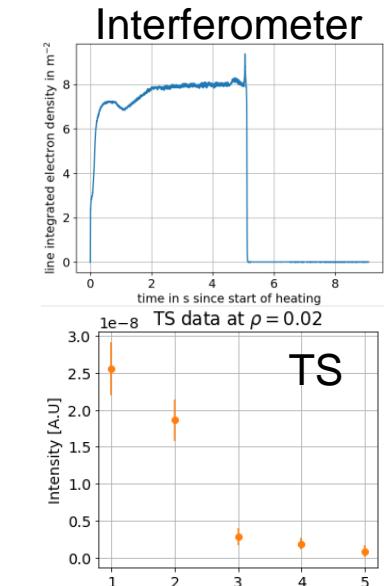
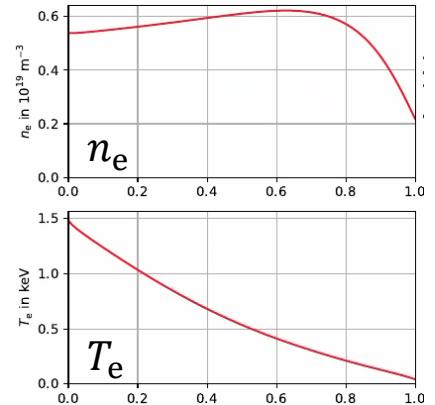
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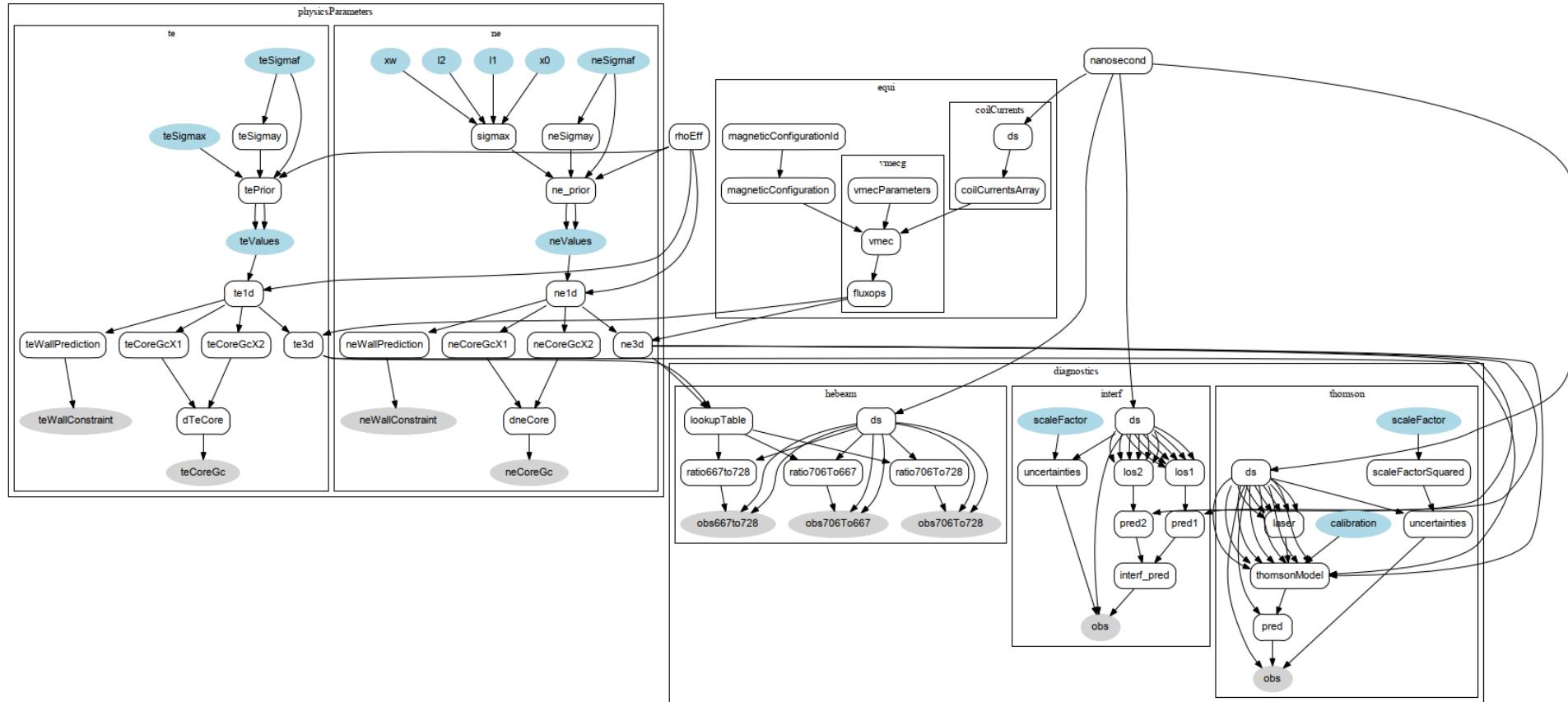


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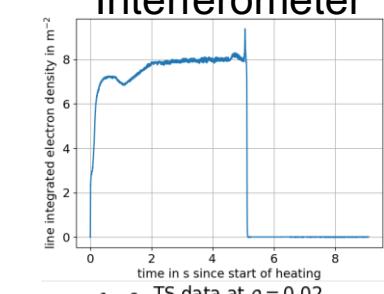




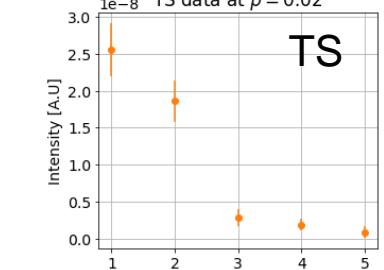
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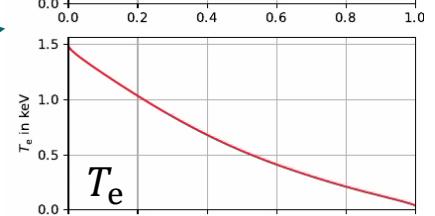
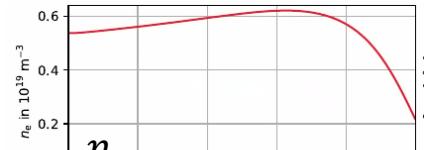
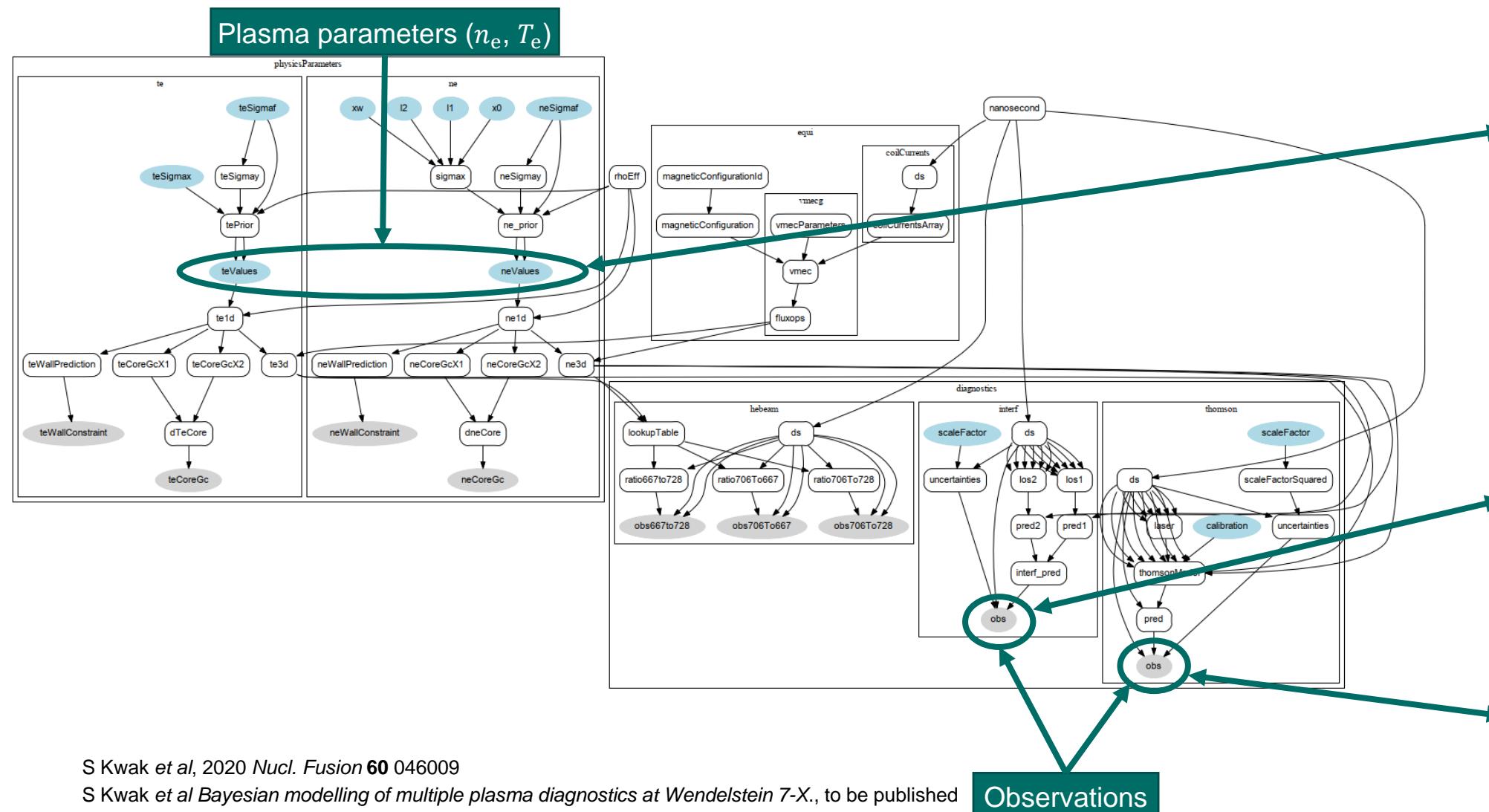


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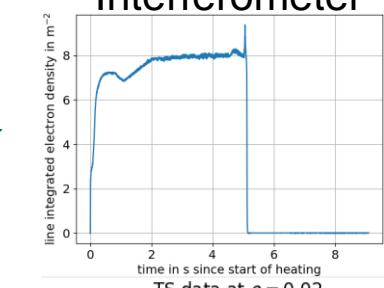
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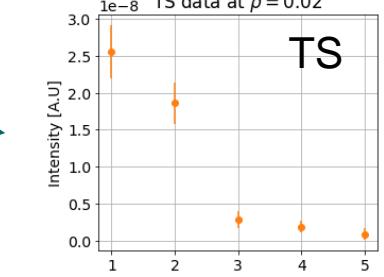
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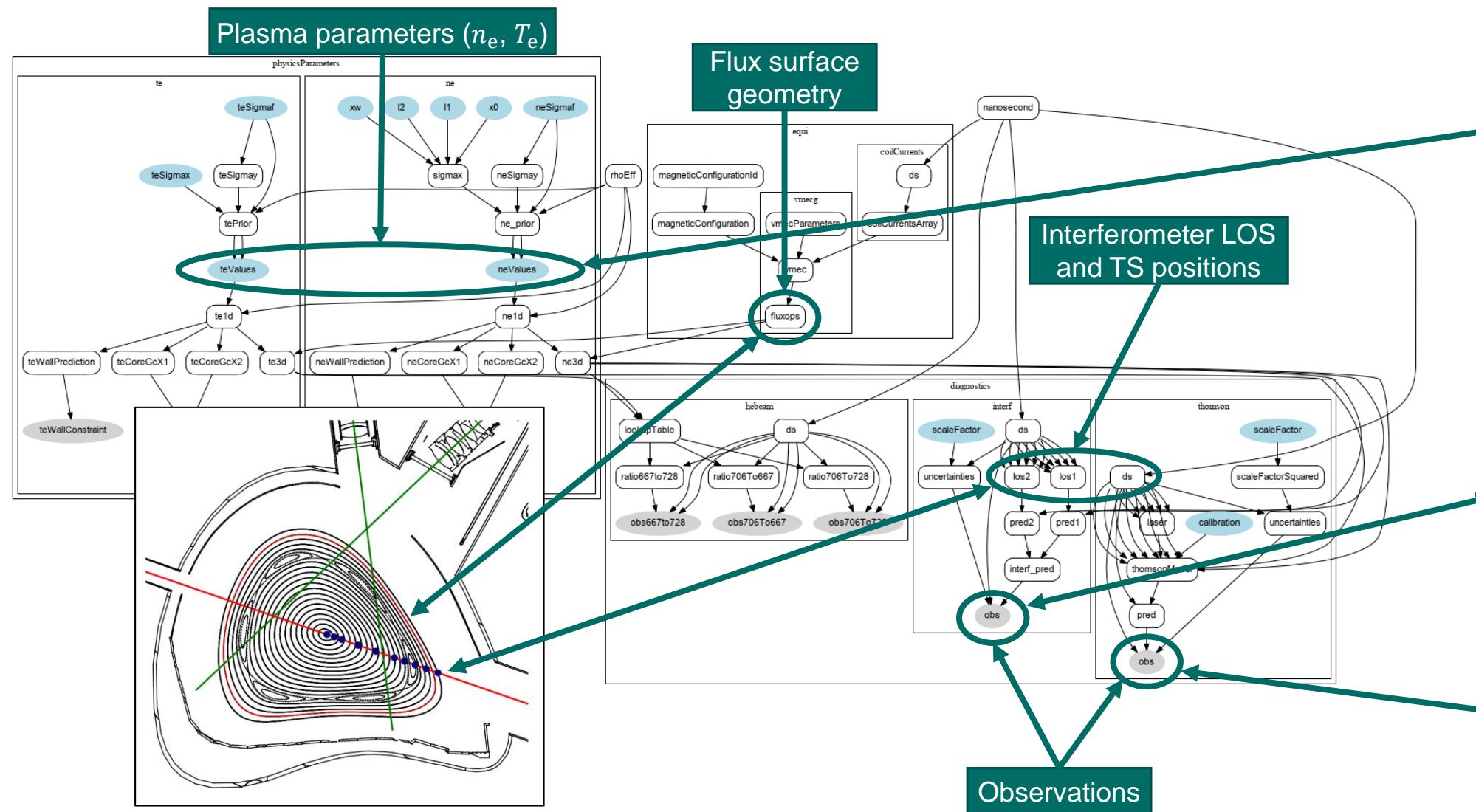
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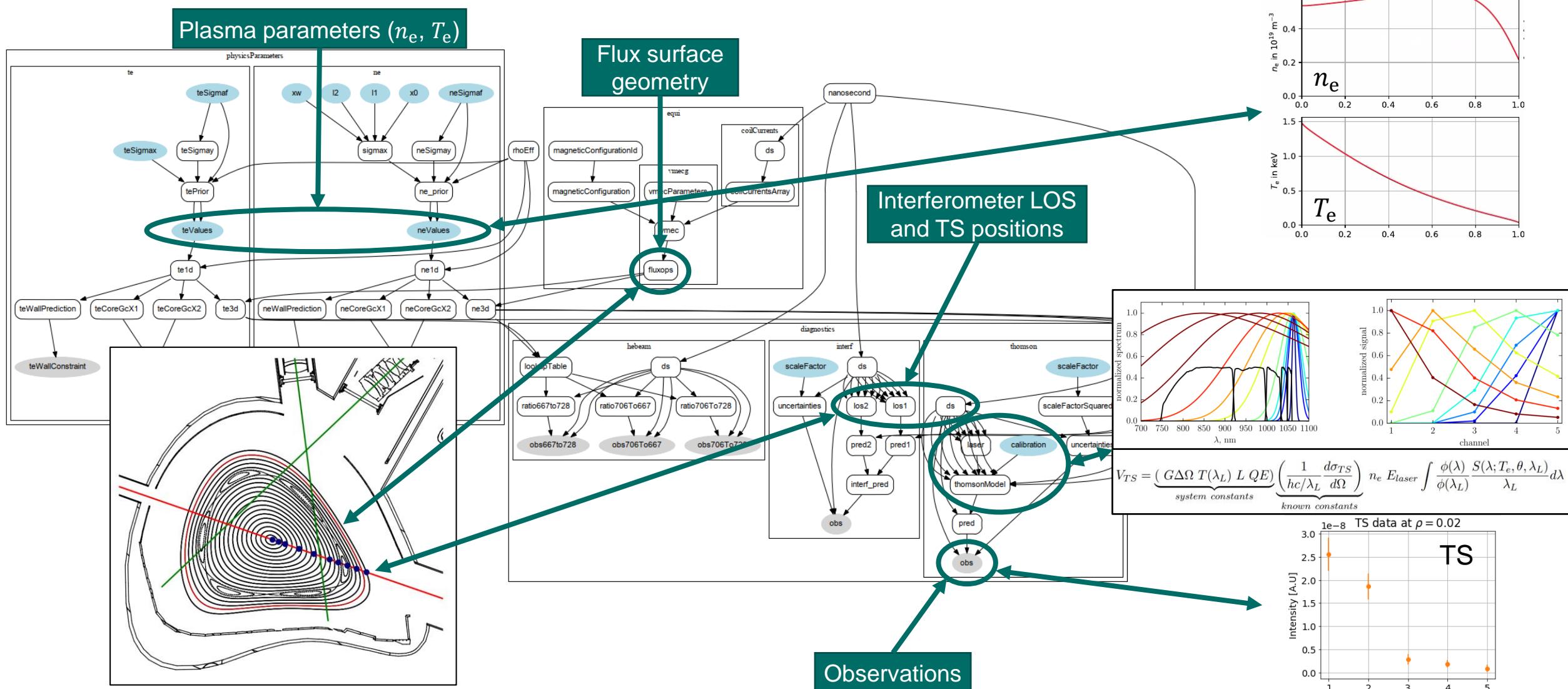


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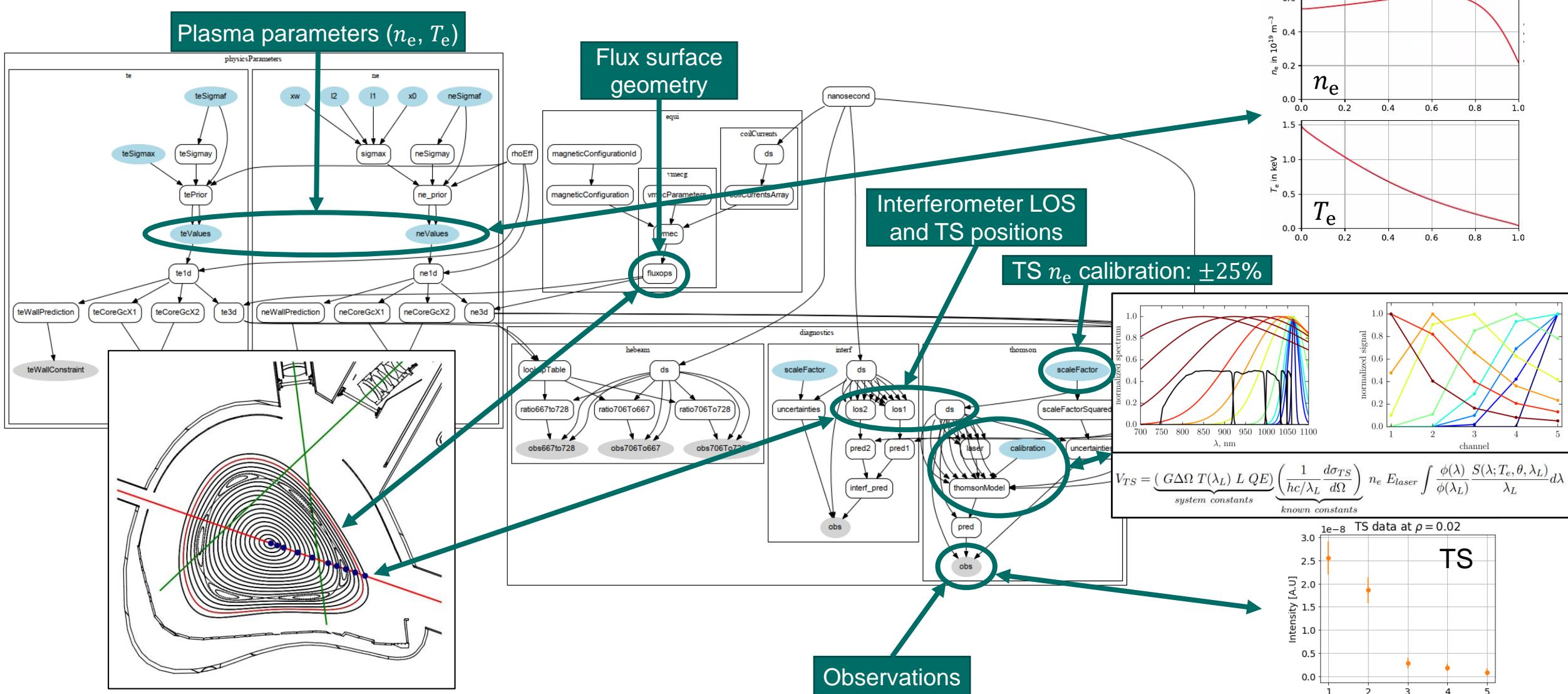


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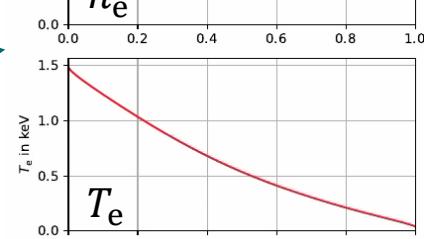
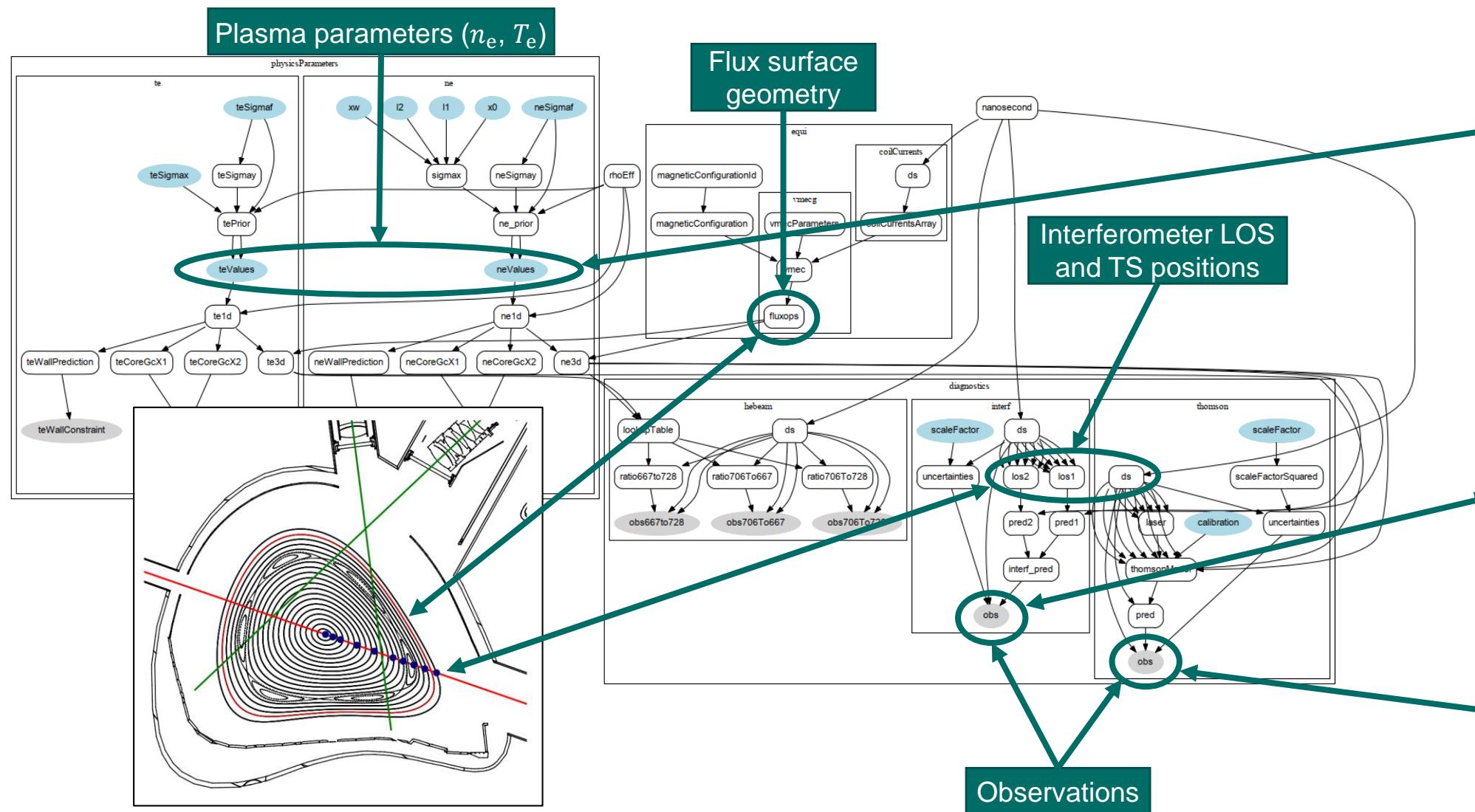


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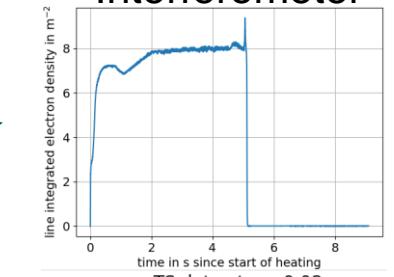




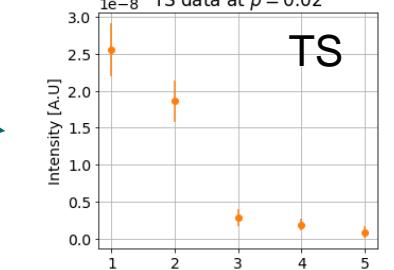
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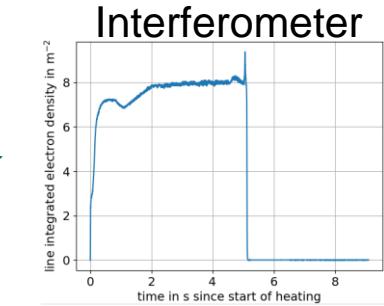
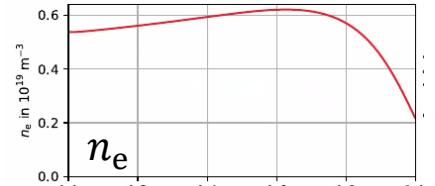
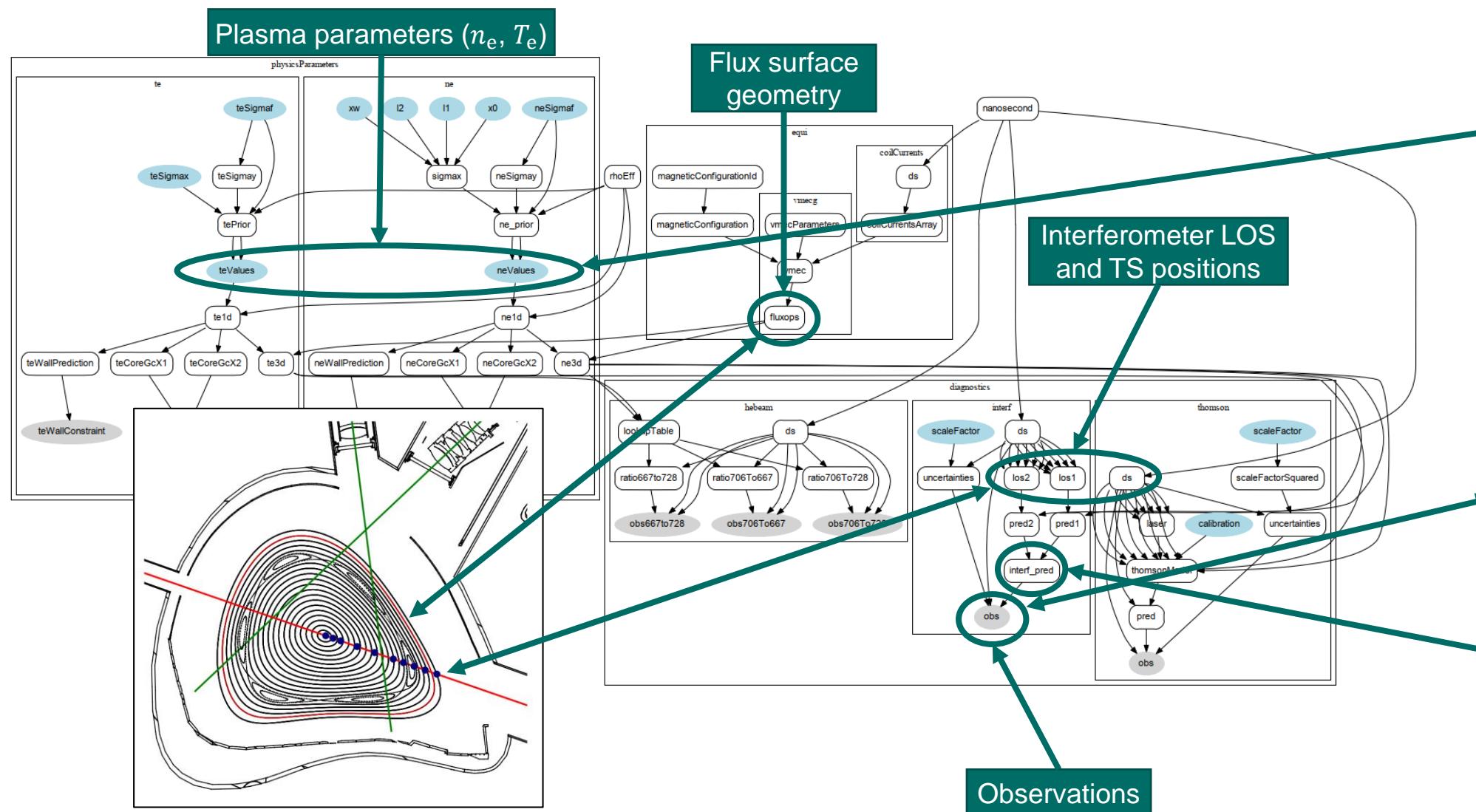


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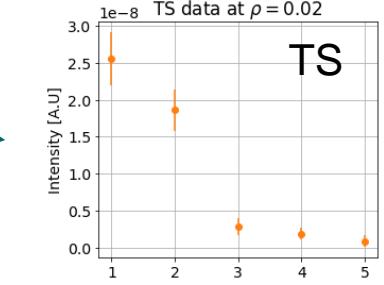
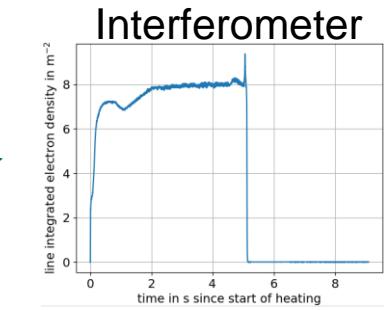
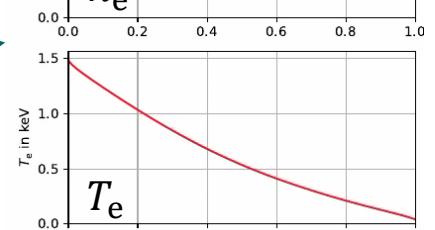
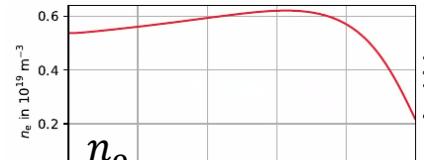
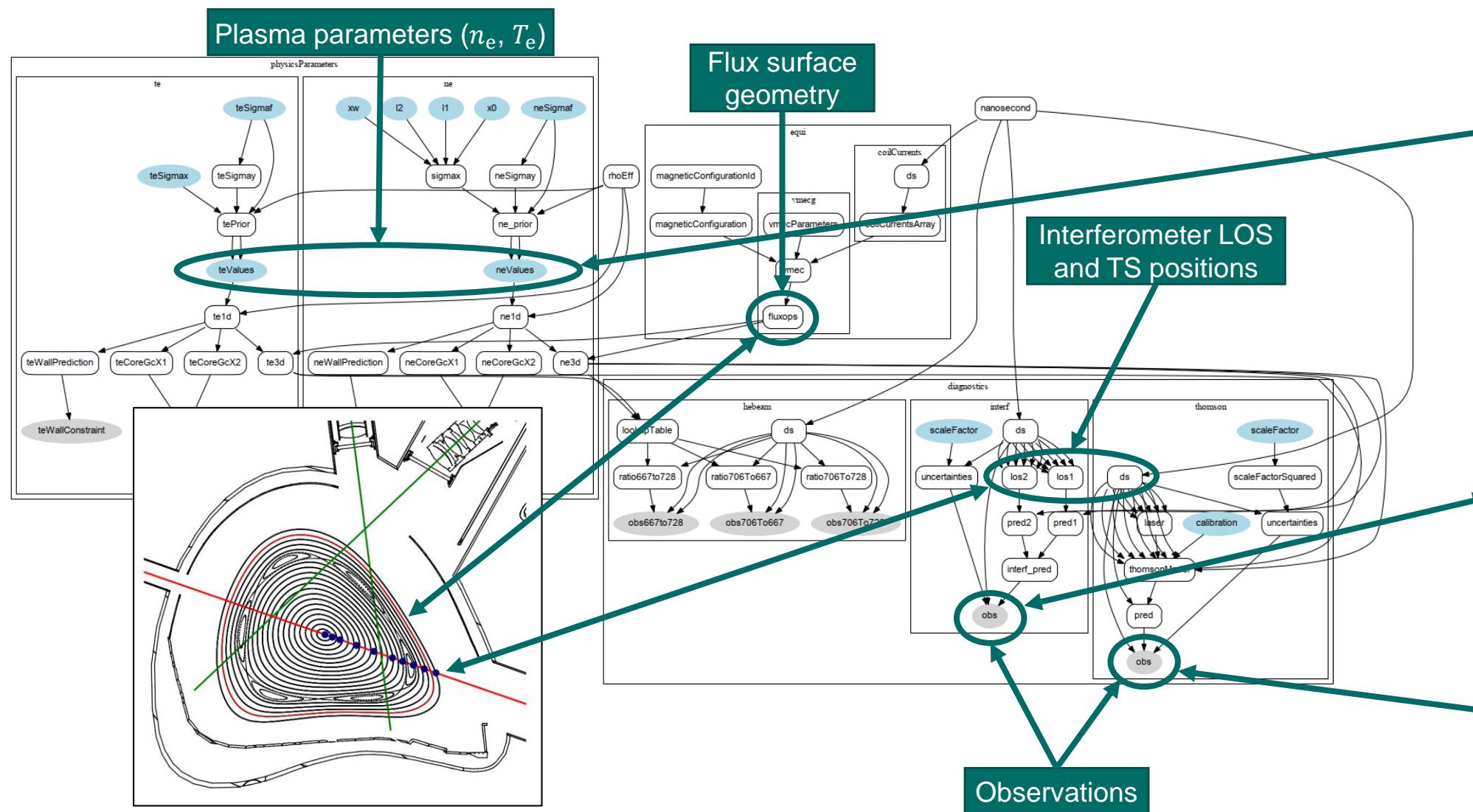
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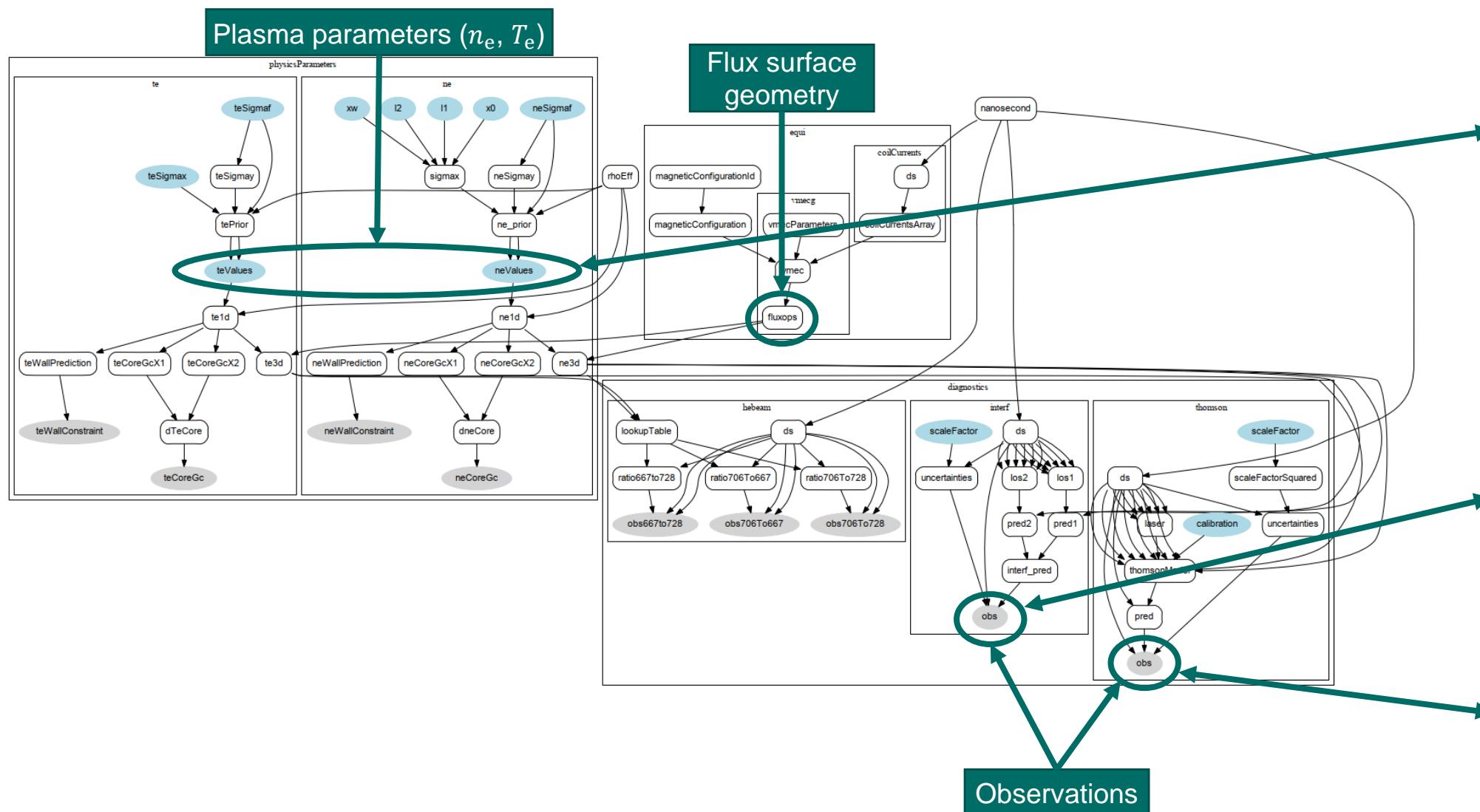


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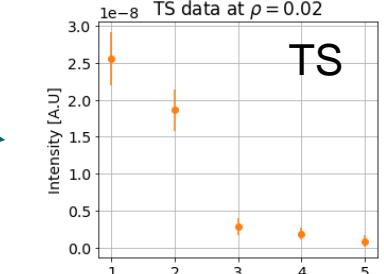
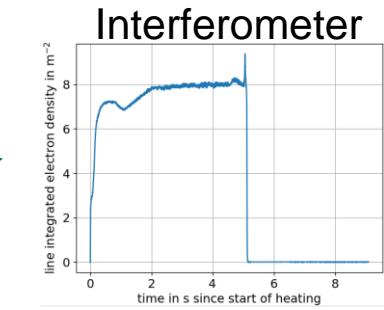
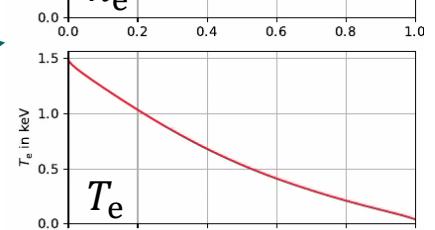
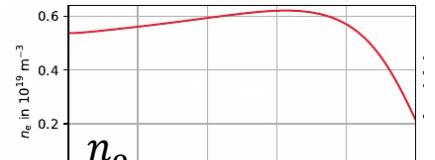
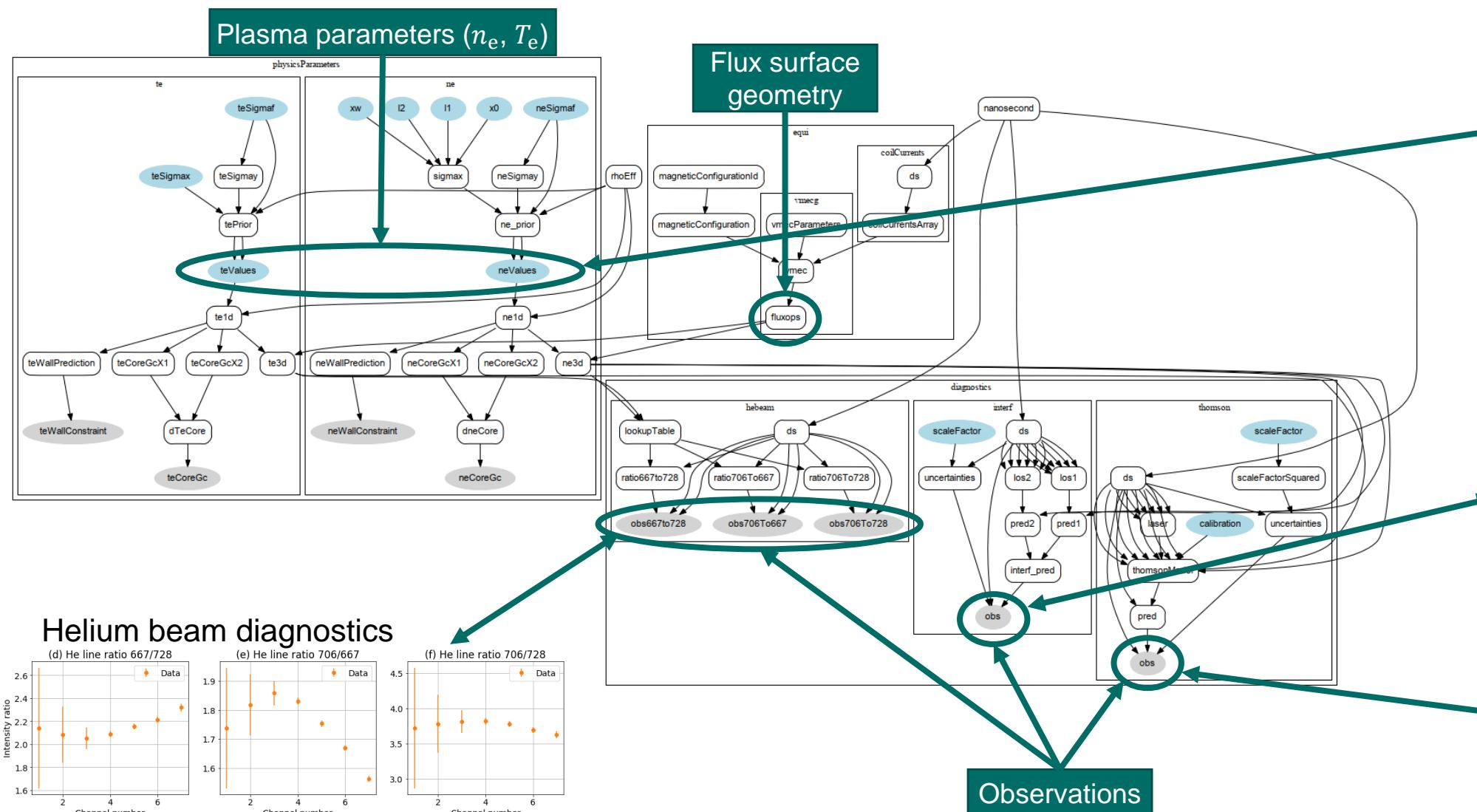


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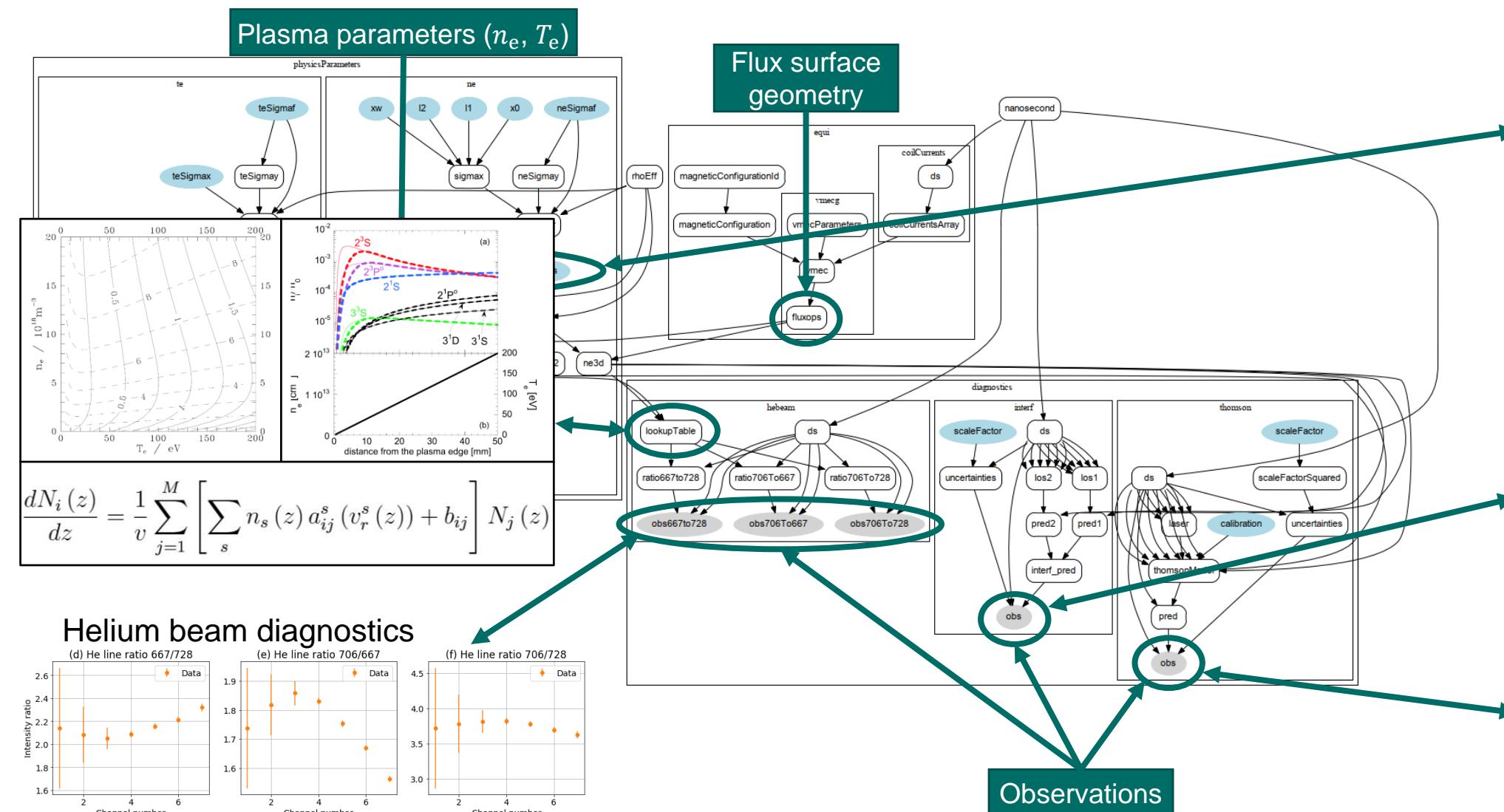
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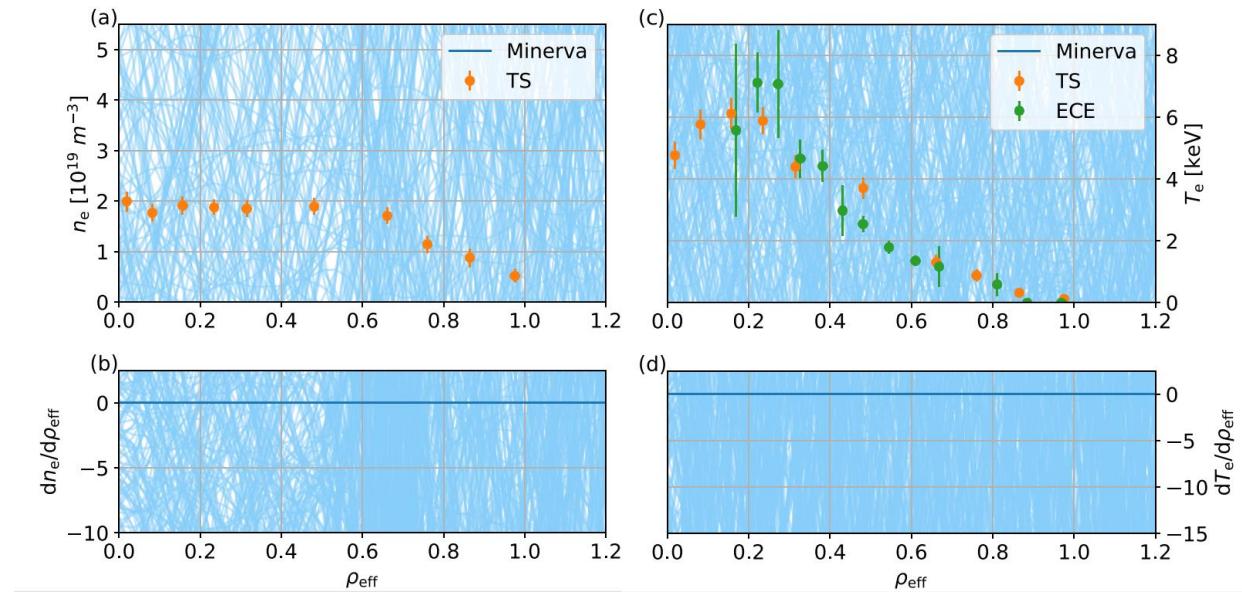
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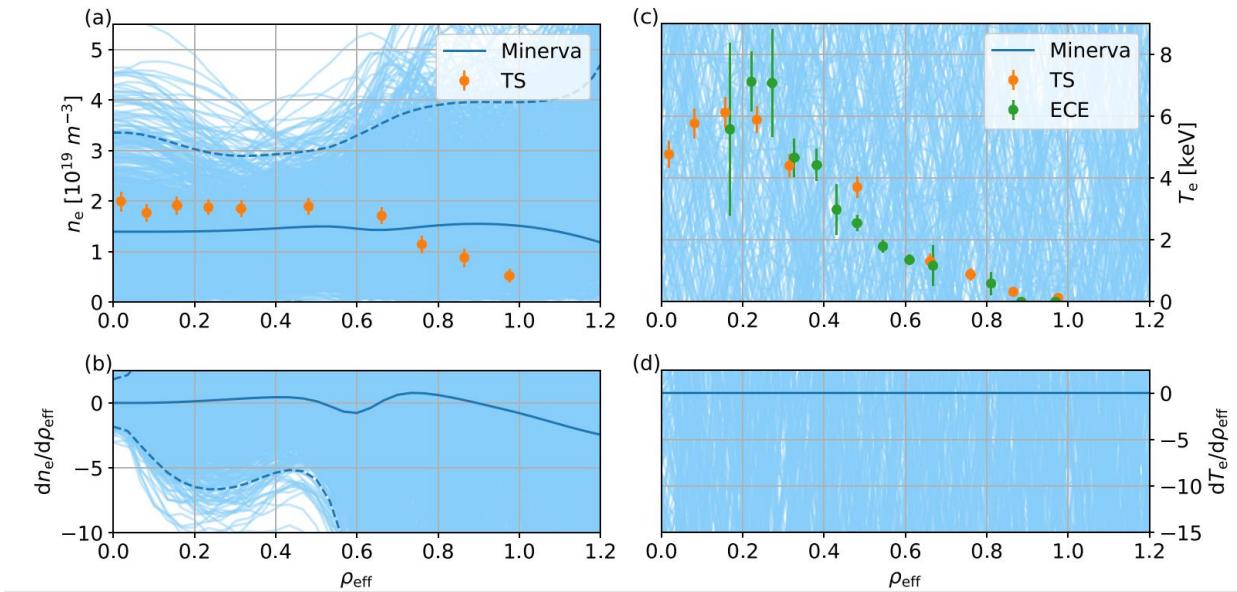
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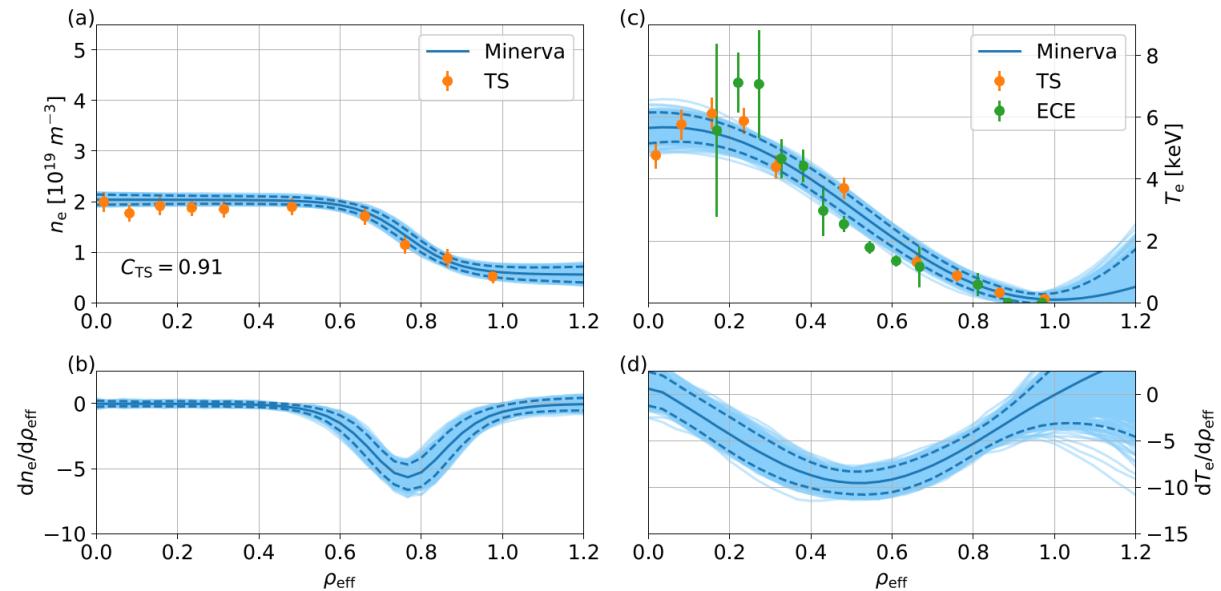
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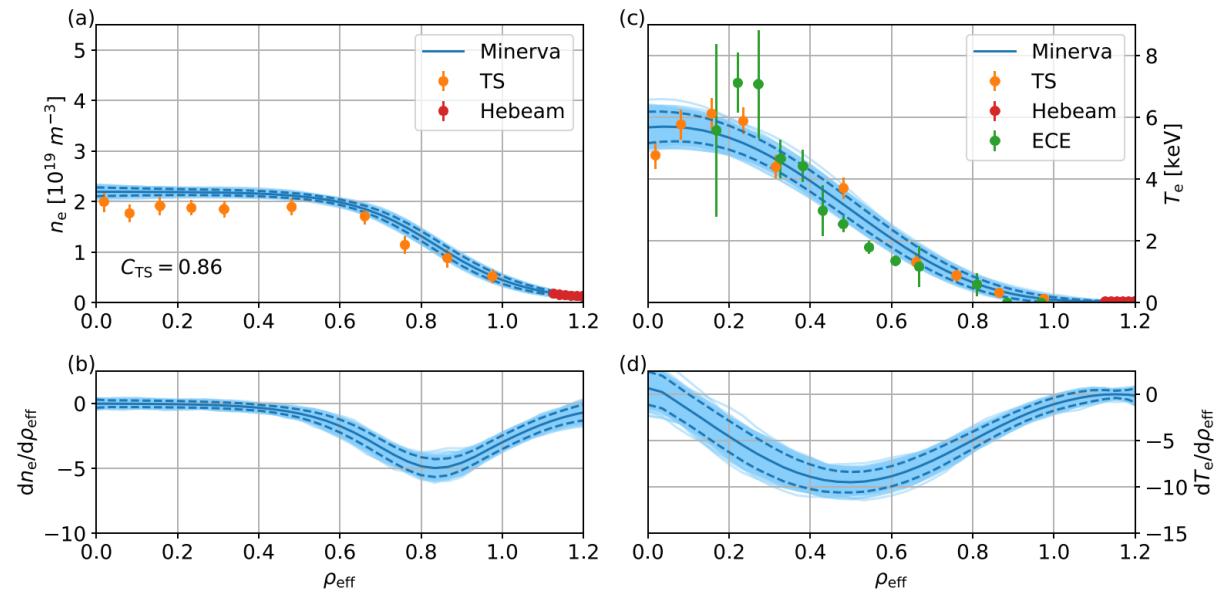
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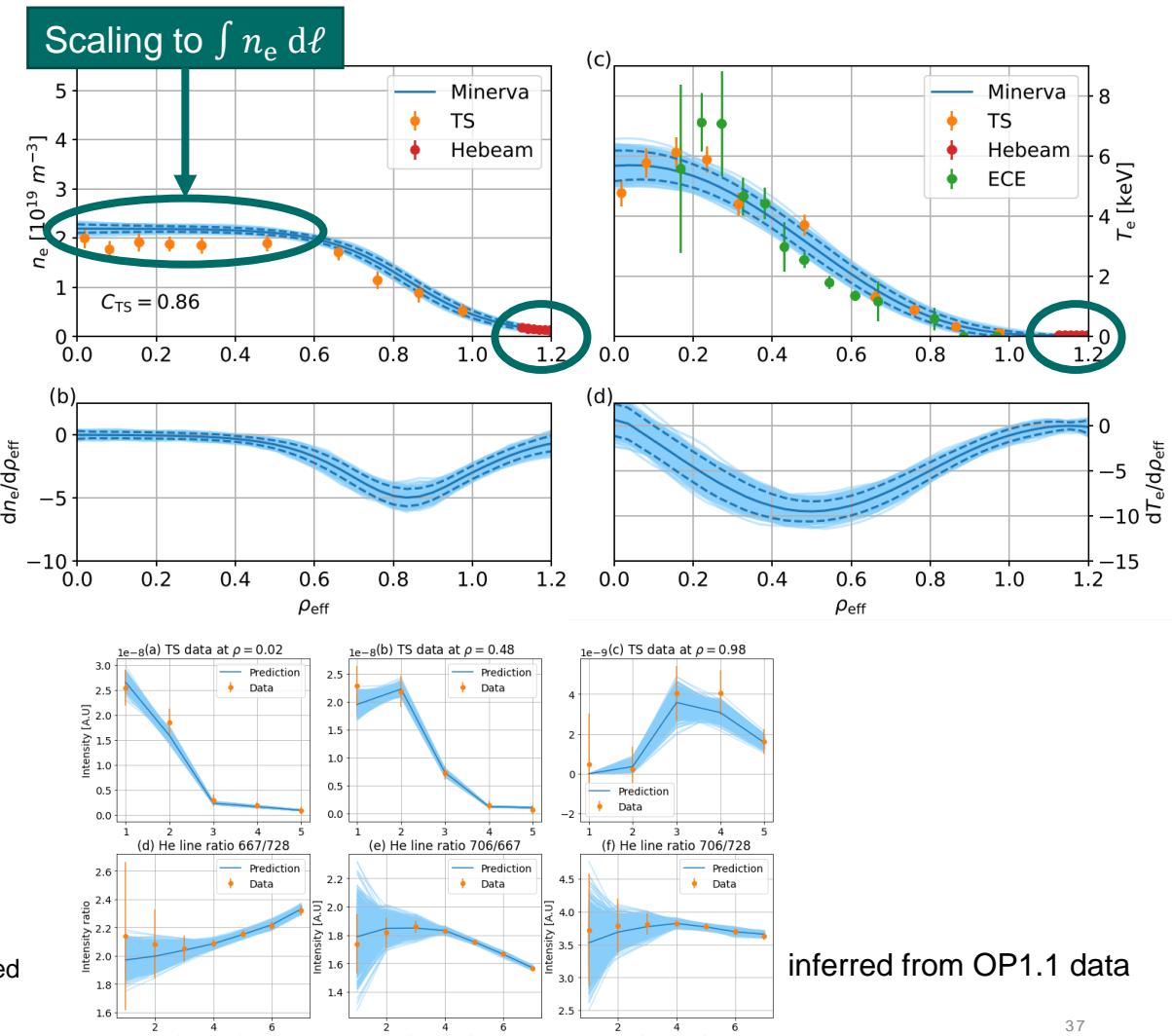




# Application: profile diagnostics for $n_e$ and $T_e$

- Thomson scattering:
  - Determining overall profile shapes
- Helium beam line ratios:
  - Well-constrained  $n_e$  and  $T_e$  in the edge region
- Interferometer:
  - Automatically corrected absolute  $n_e$  scaling
- Predictions and observations: good agreements

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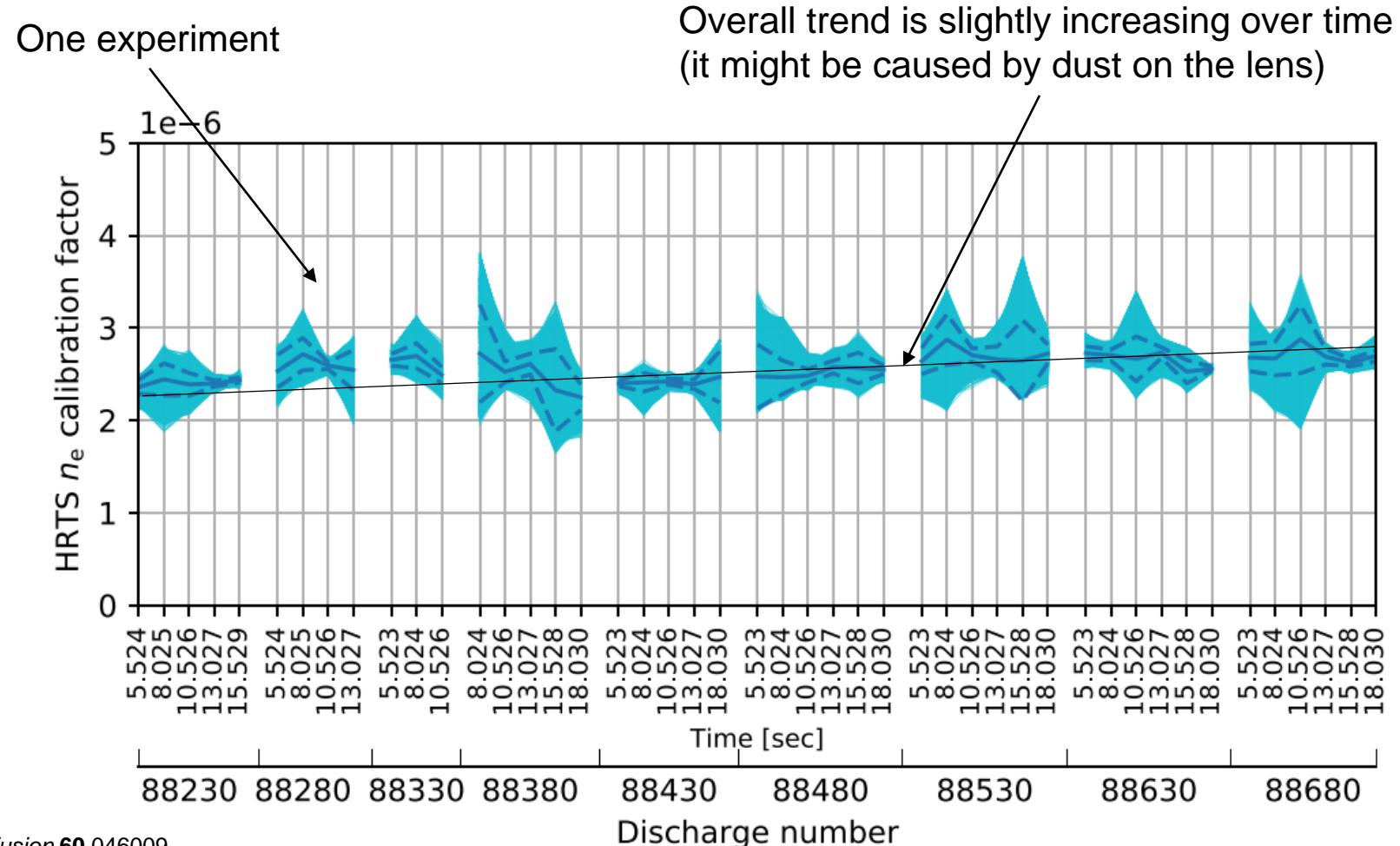
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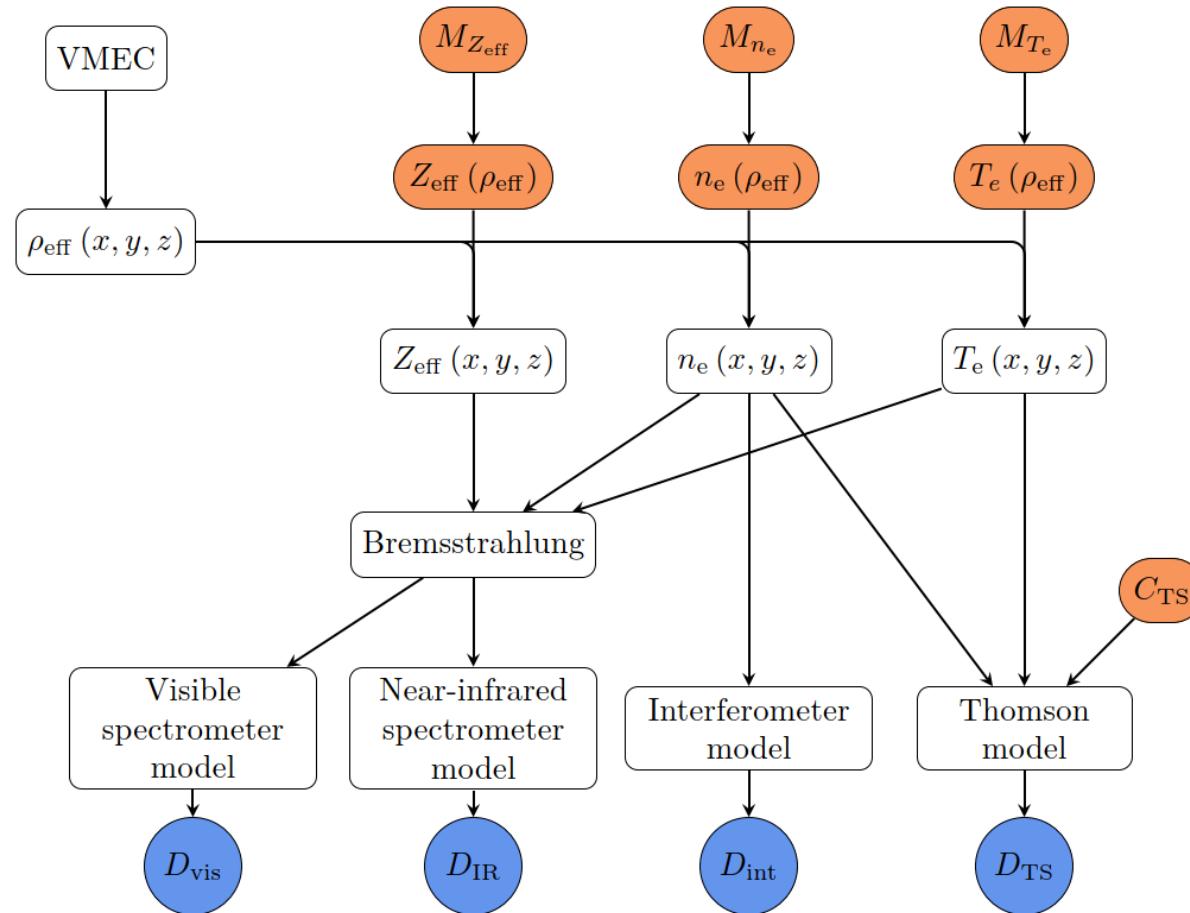
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- Automatic calibration of the high-resolution TS system at JET



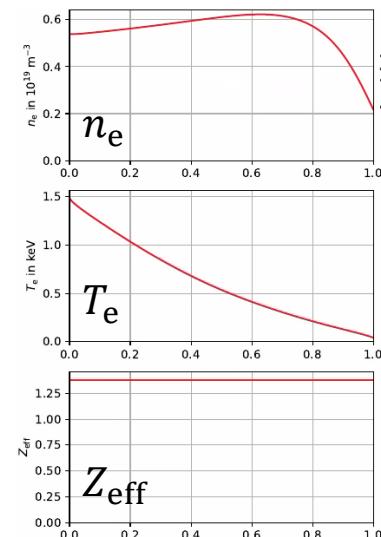
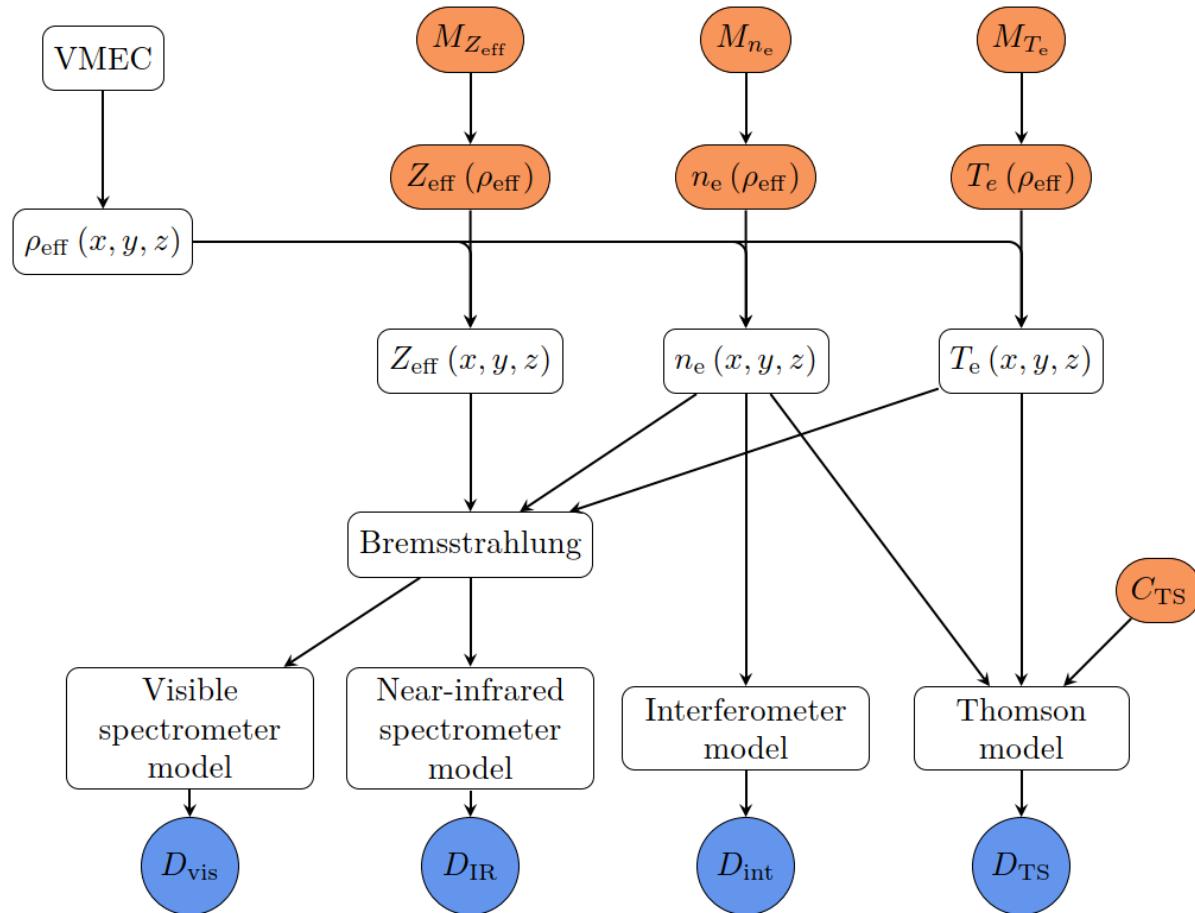


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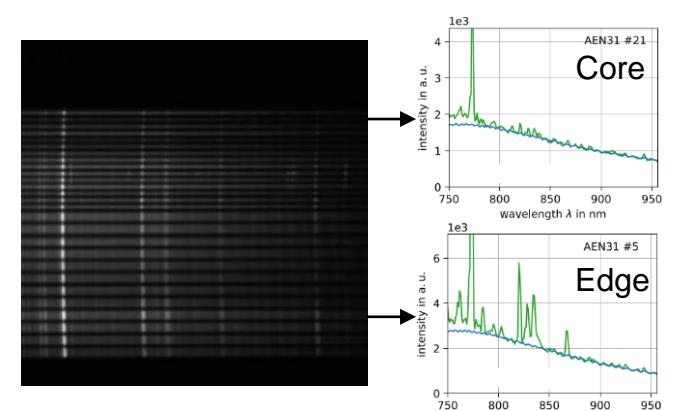
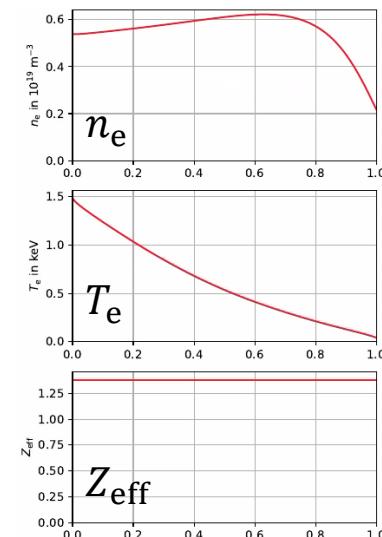
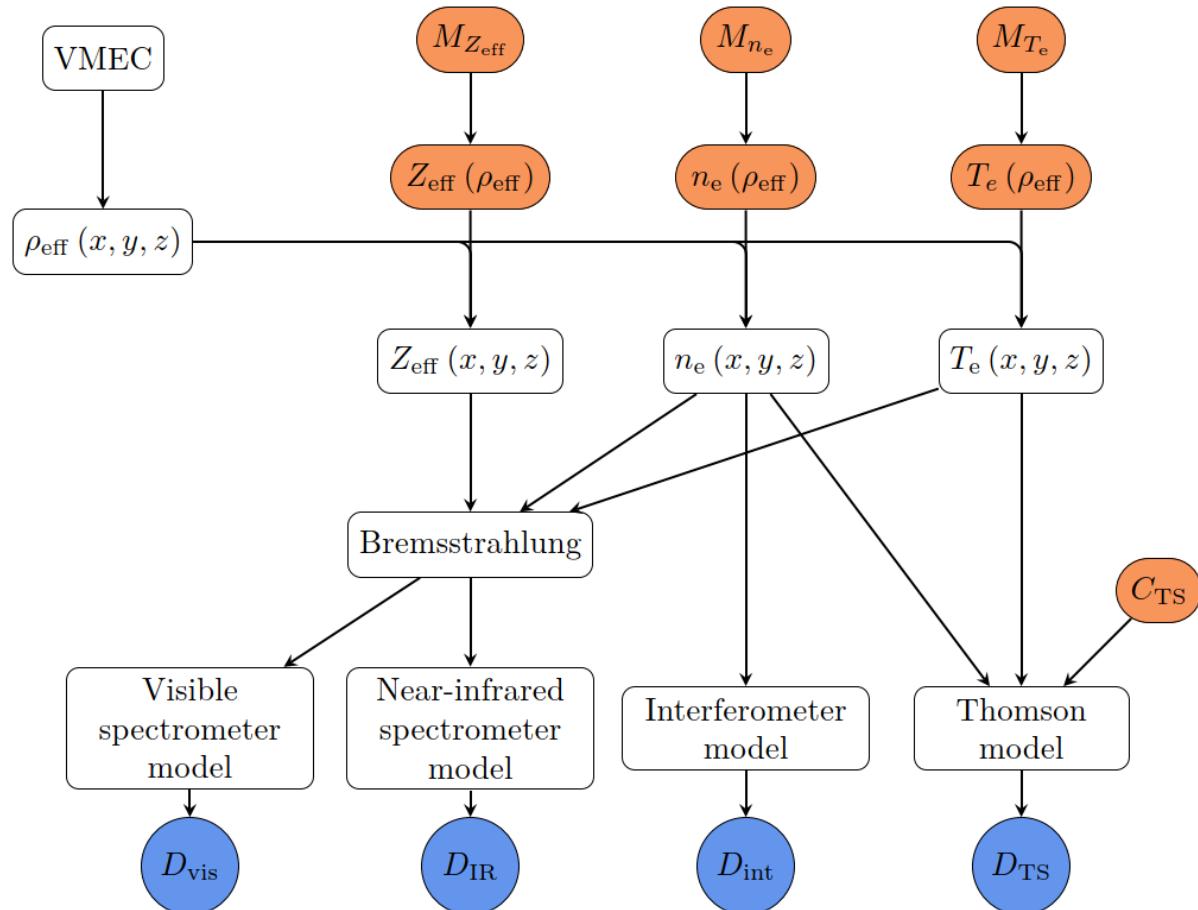


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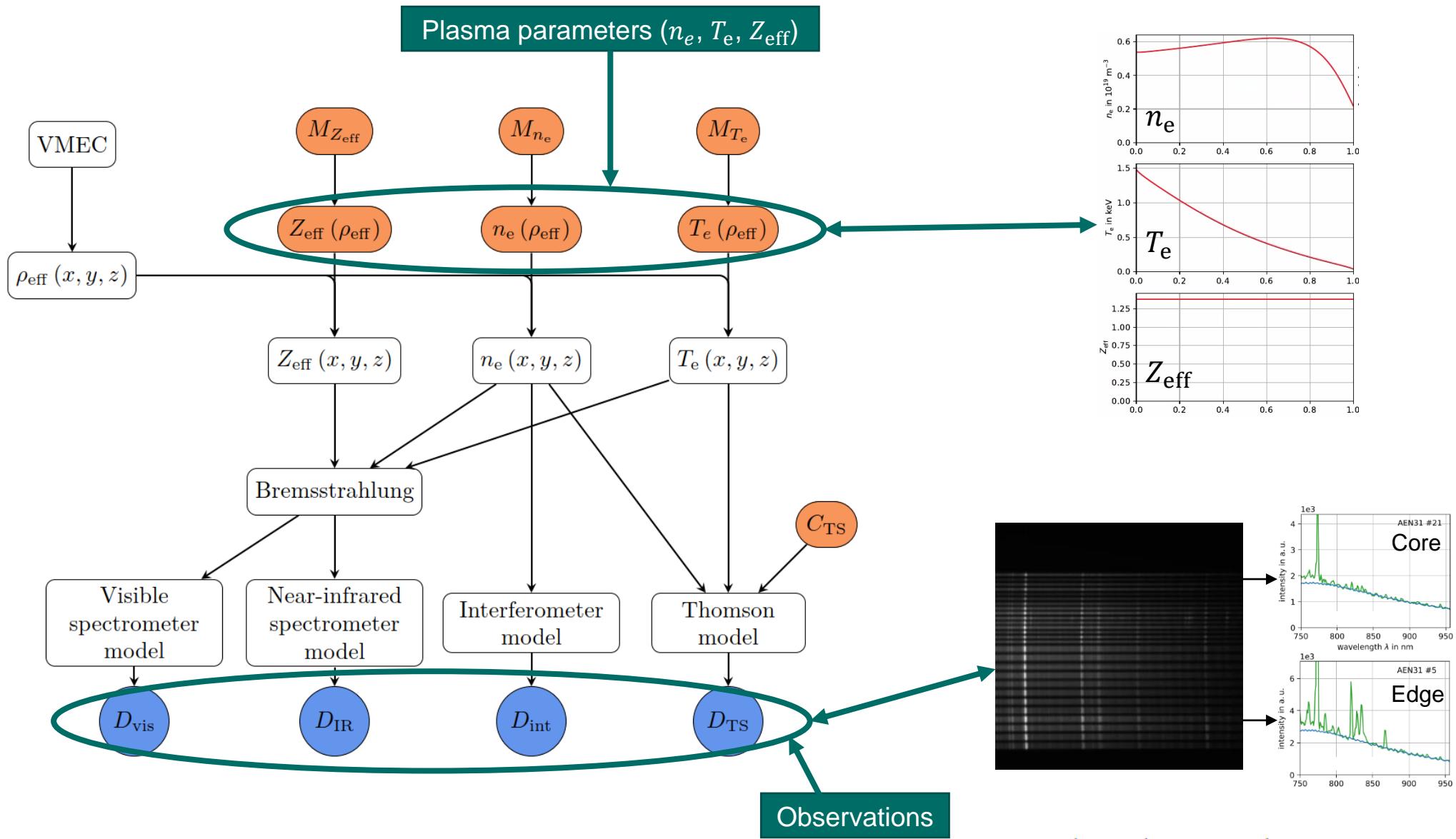


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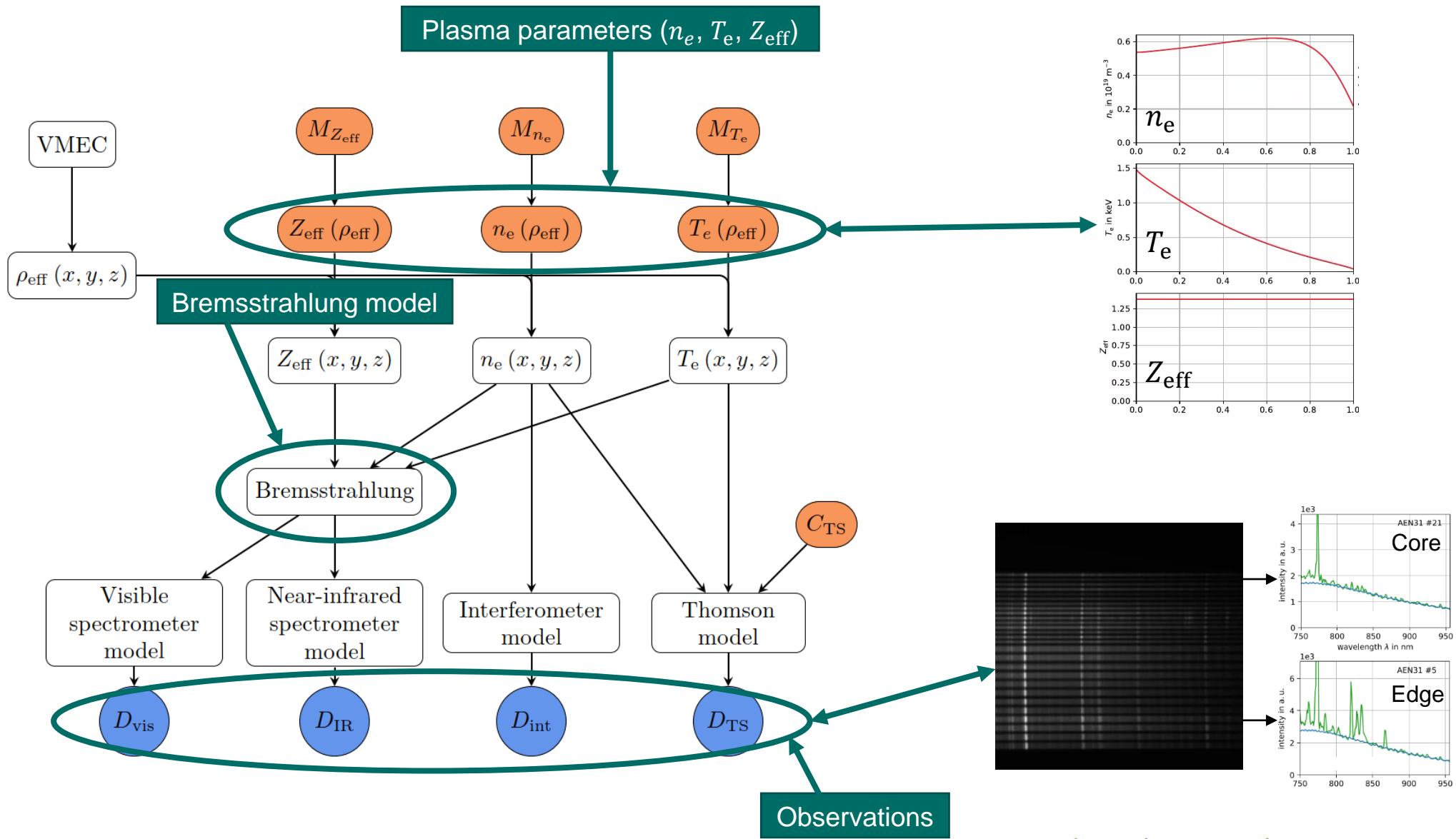


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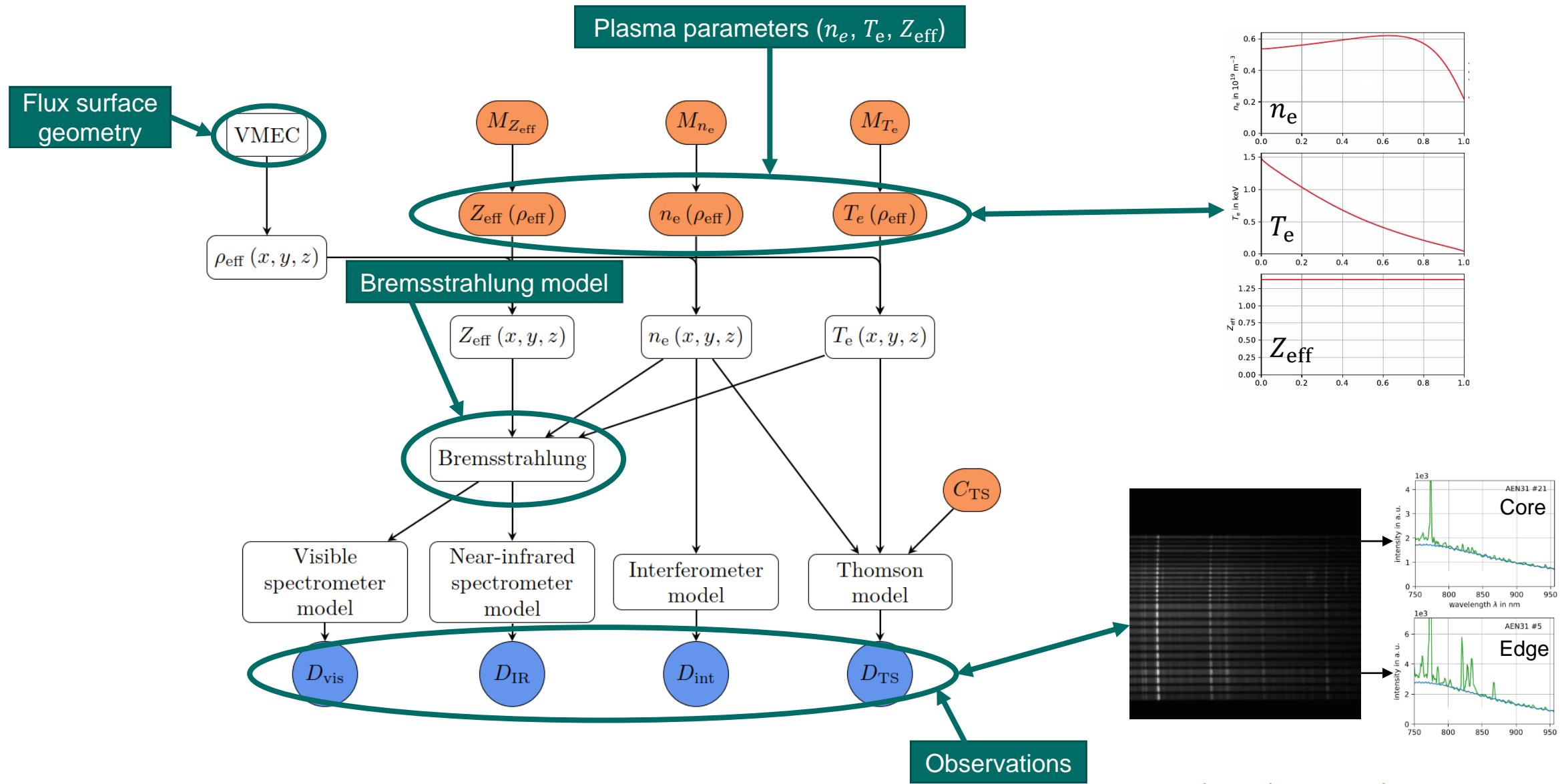


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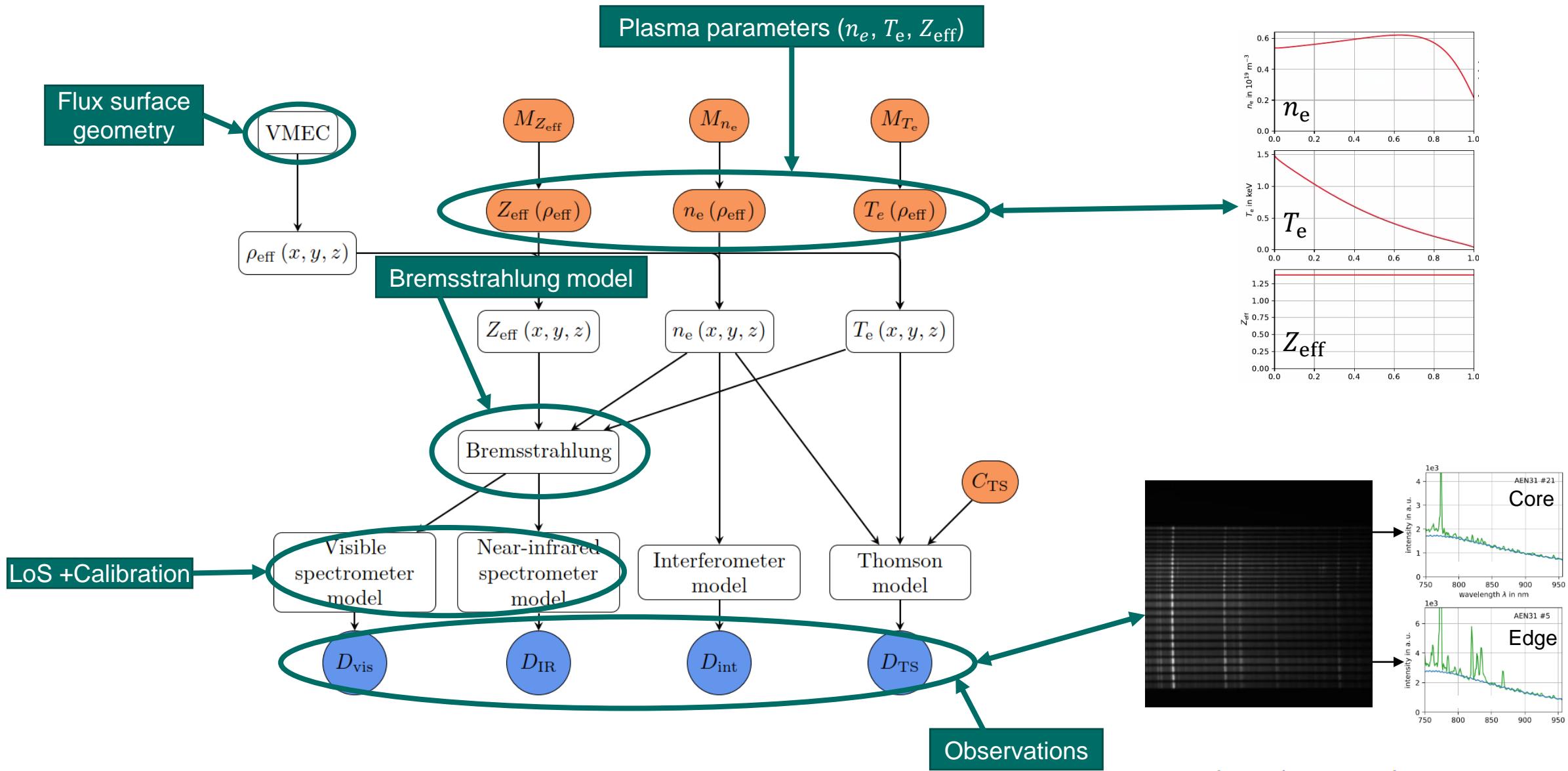


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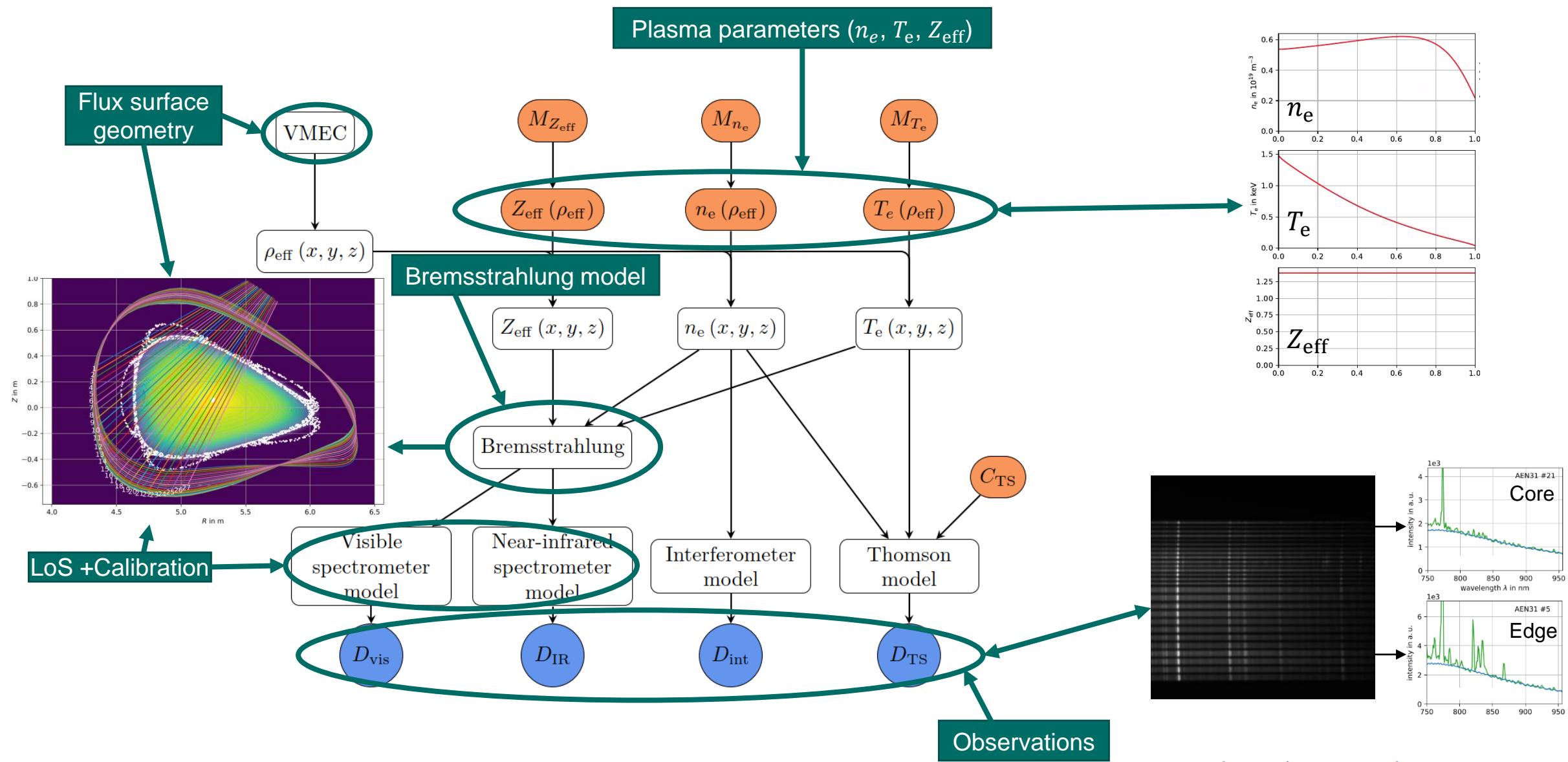


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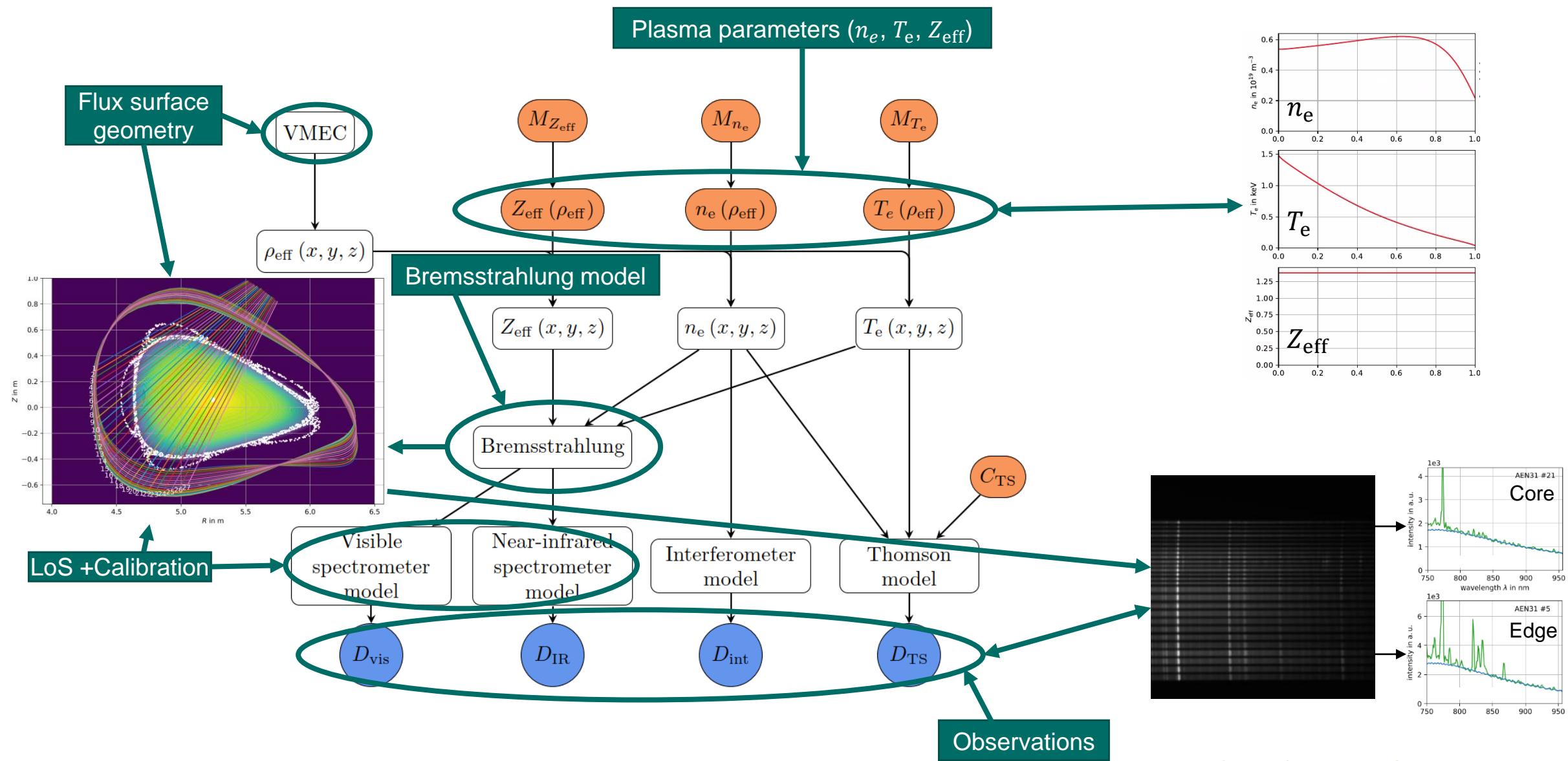


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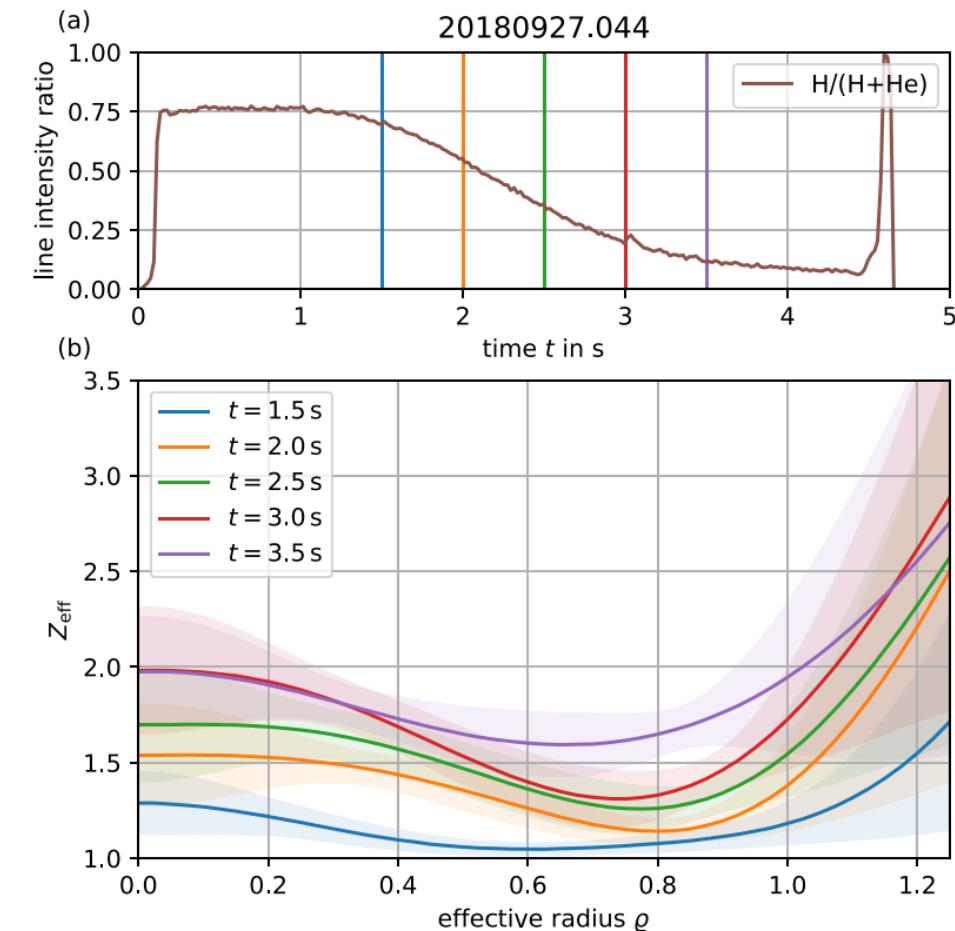
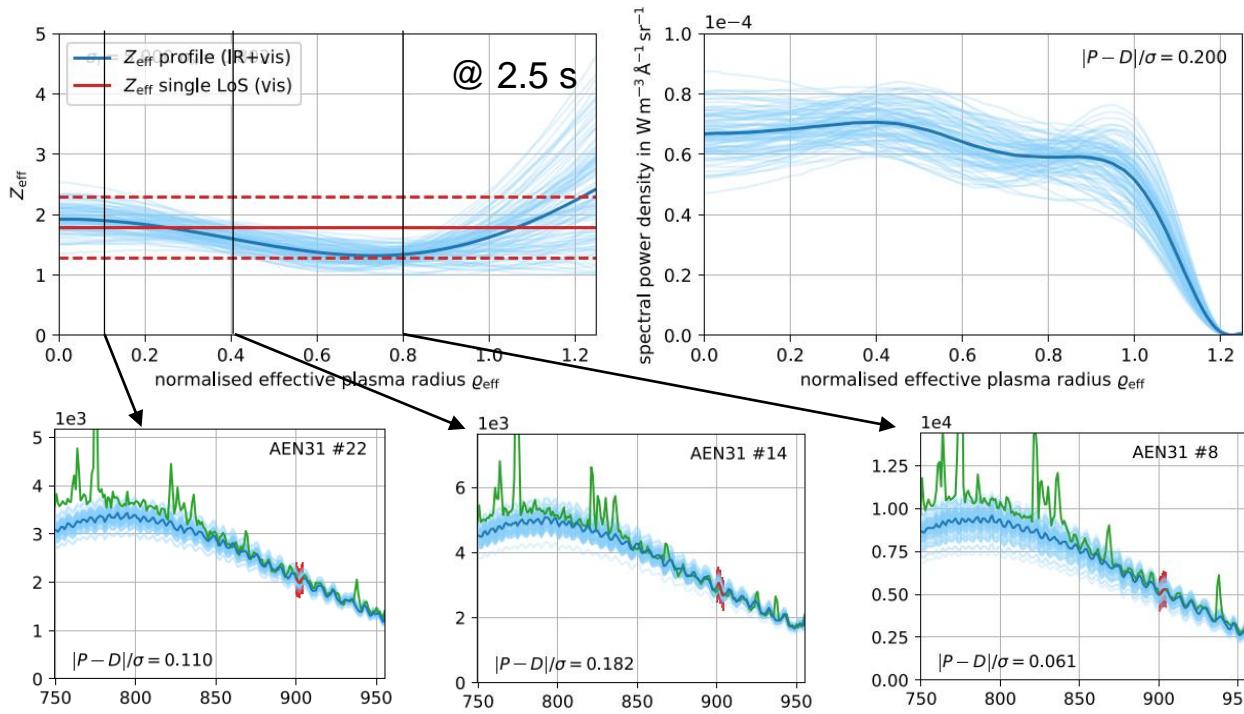
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# Application: $Z_{\text{eff}}$ profiles from line integrated bremsstrahlung

- Example discharge:  $\text{H} \rightarrow \text{He}$  plasma
  - Increasing overall  $Z_{\text{eff}}$  over time
  - Well predicted line integrated bremsstrahlung spectra

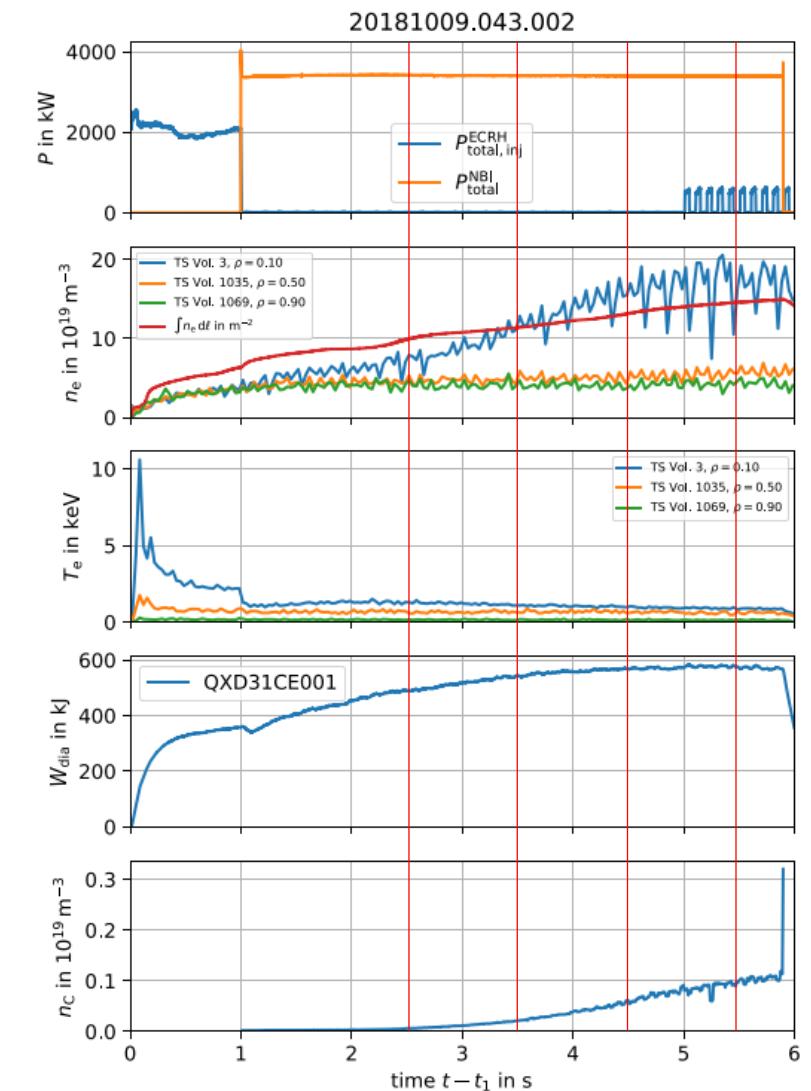
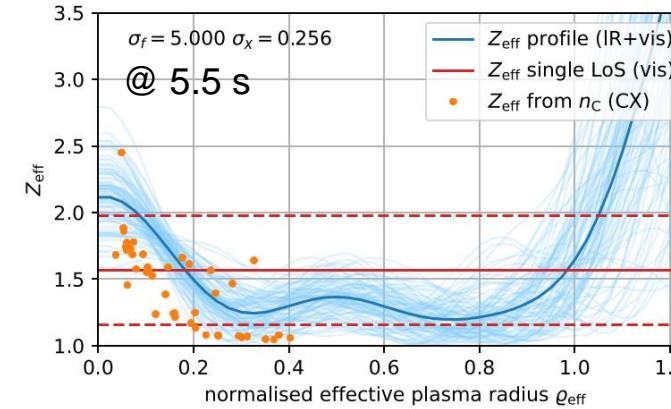
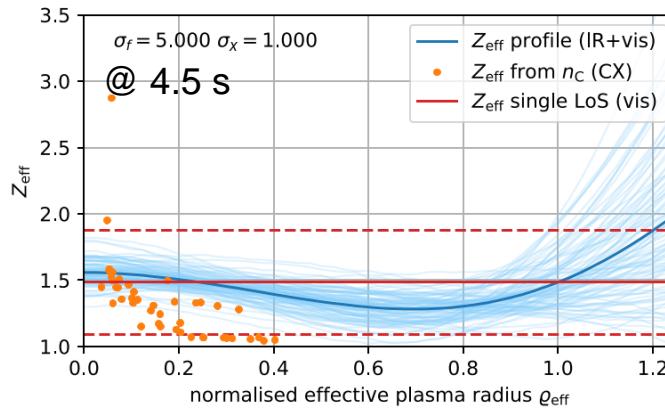
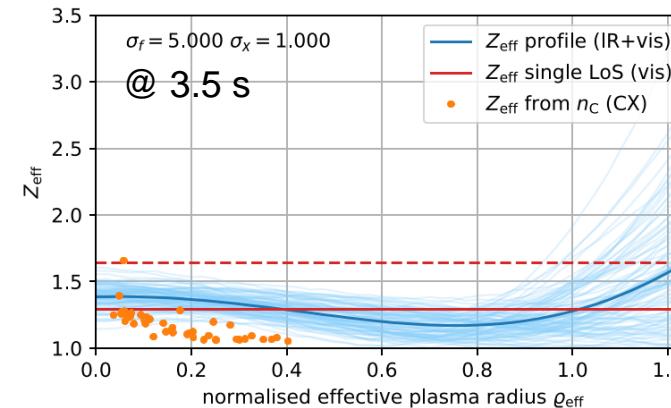
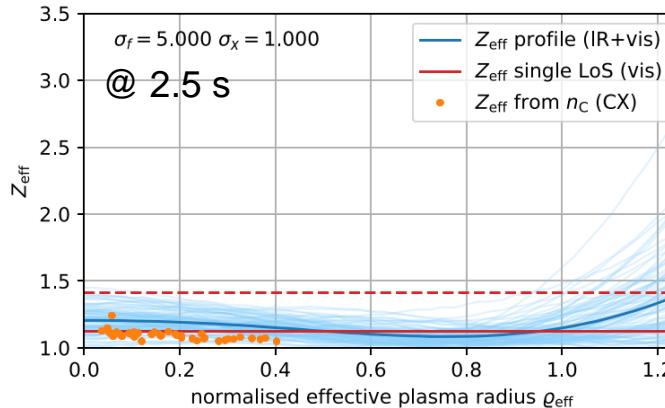


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# Application: $Z_{\text{eff}}$ profiles from line integrated bremsstrahlung

- Example discharge: Carbon accumulation
  - Consistent with estimated  $Z_{\text{eff}}$  values from CX spectrometers

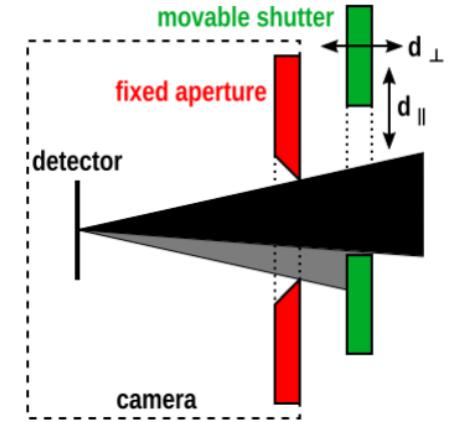
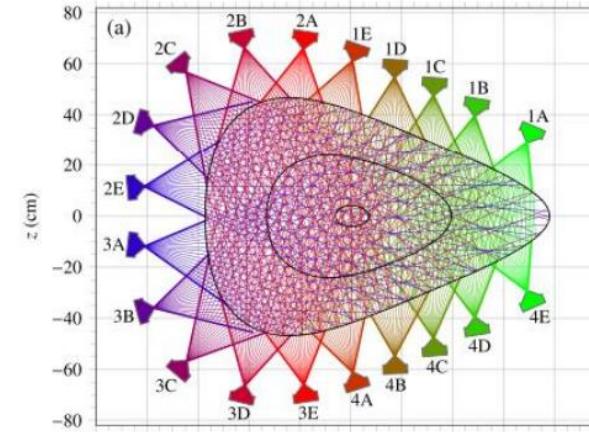
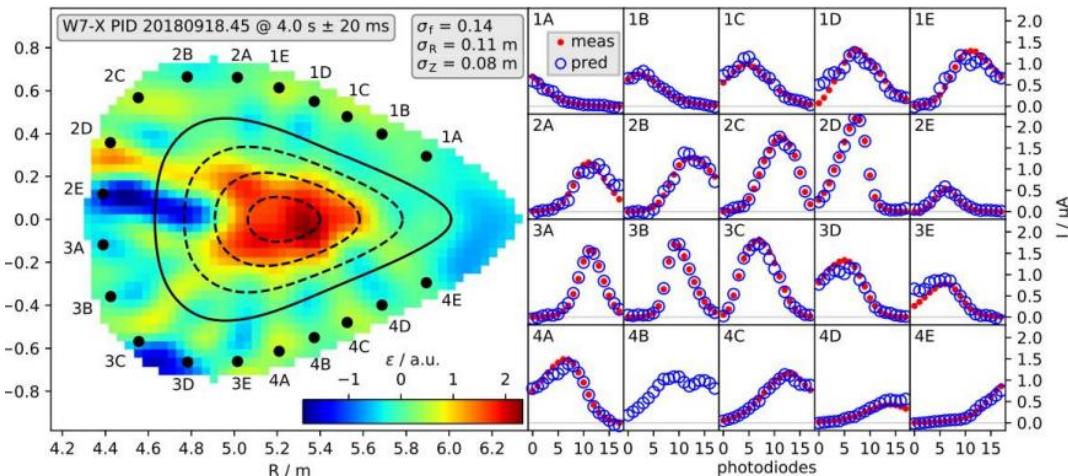




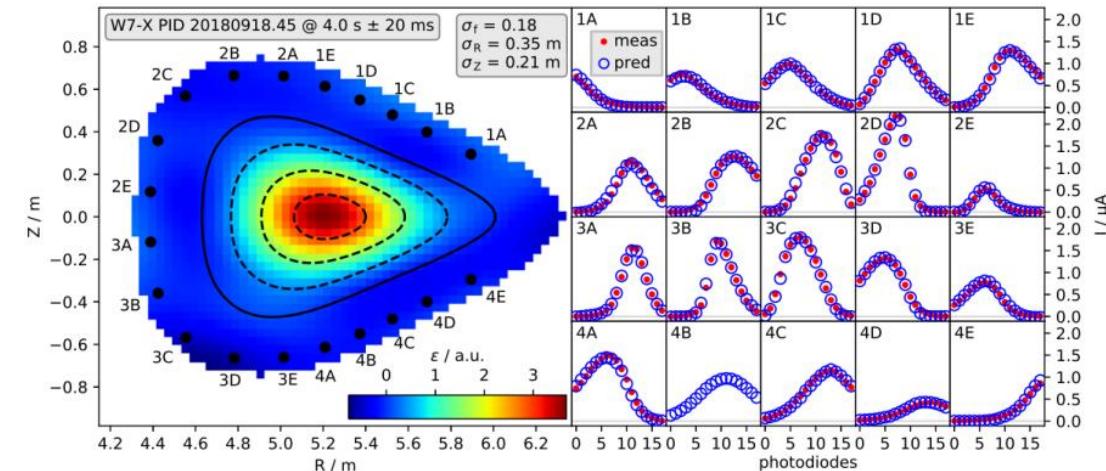
# Application: Soft X-ray tomography

- XMCTS: 20 soft X-ray cameras
  - Shutters open to unknown positions → Tomograms inconsistent with flux surfaces
- Solution: infer shutter positions and calibration factors by exploring the marginal posterior  $P(d_{\parallel}, d_{\perp}, c | D)$ .

Shutter position not inferred



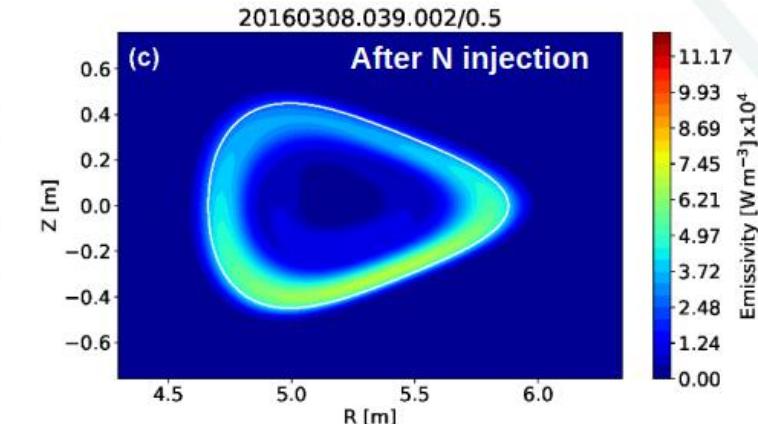
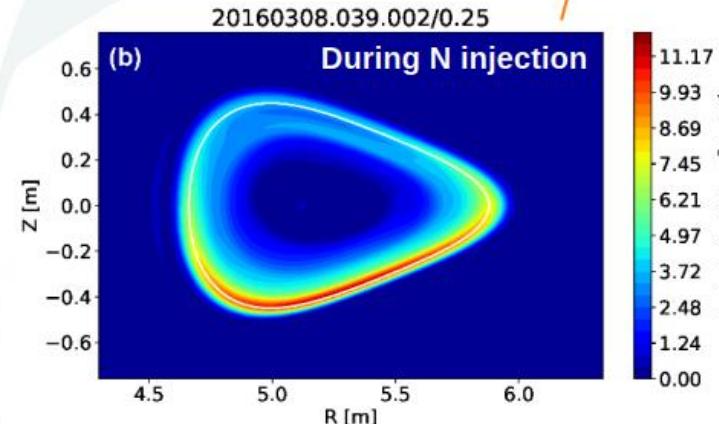
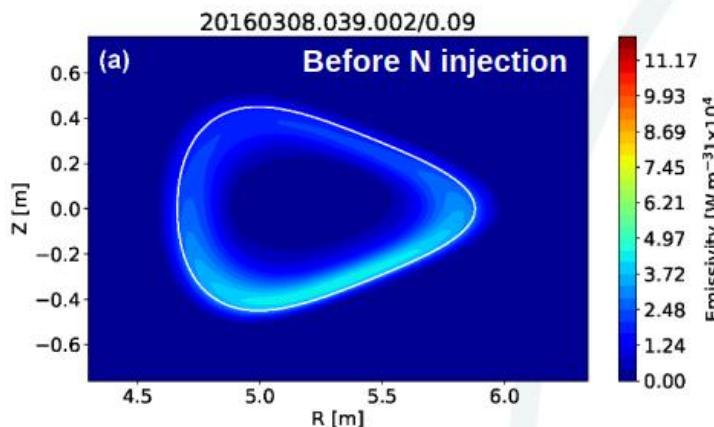
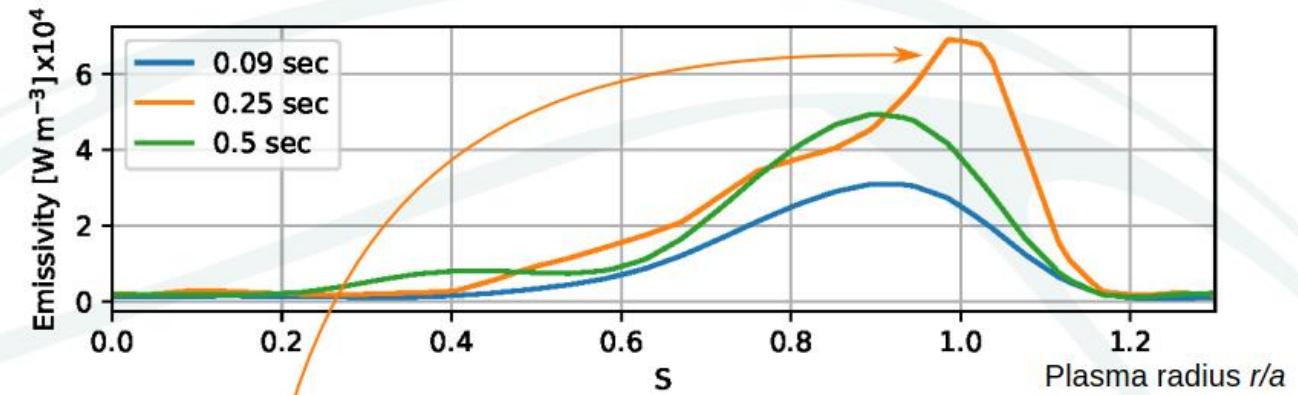
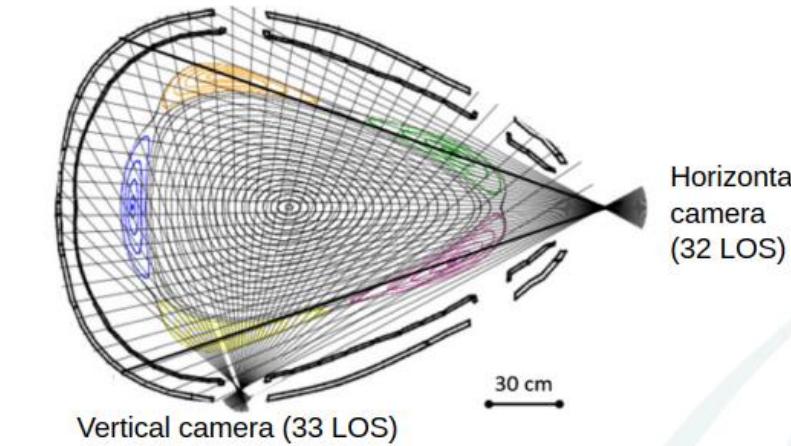
Shutter position inferred





# Application: Bolometer tomography

- Advanced Gaussian process tomography resolving asymmetric radiation patterns

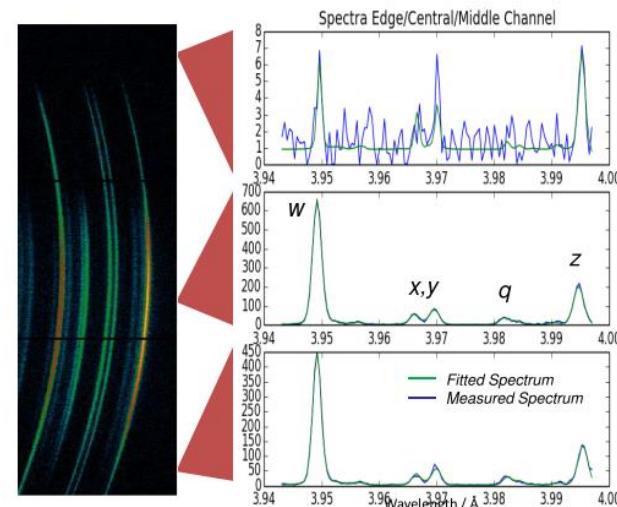
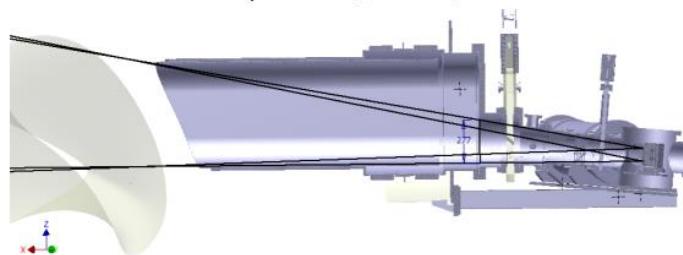




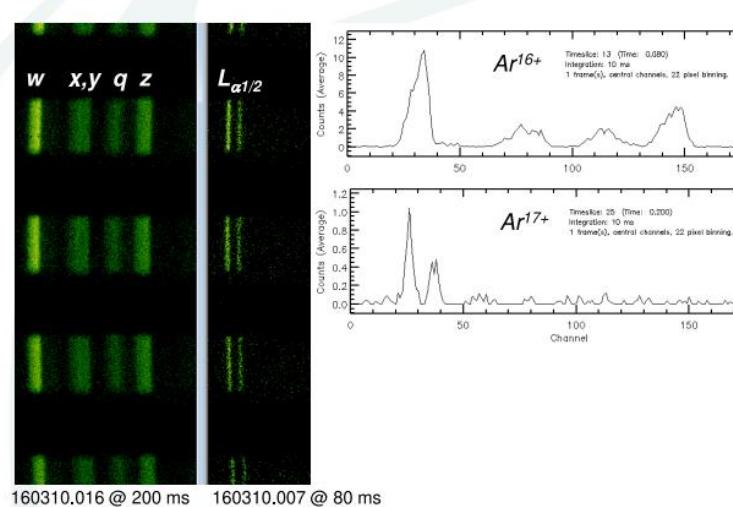
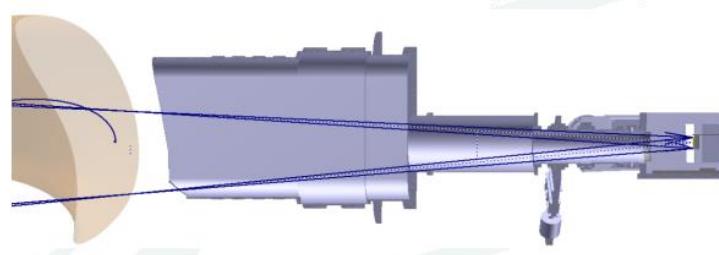
# Application: X-ray imaging spectrometers

- Tomographically inferred profiles given line-integrated X-ray spectra
  - Delivering  $T_e$ ,  $T_i$  and  $n_z$  profiles for transport studies, compared well with fast analysis by Novimir Pablant

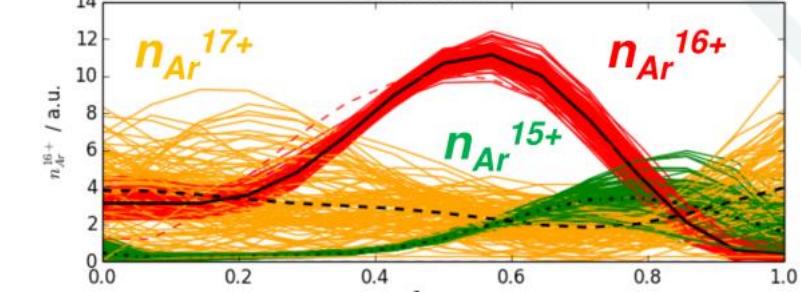
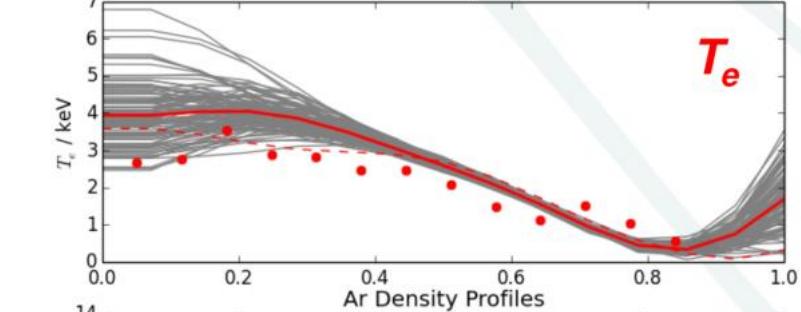
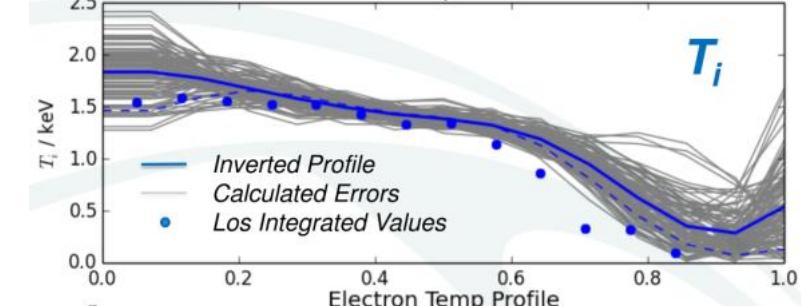
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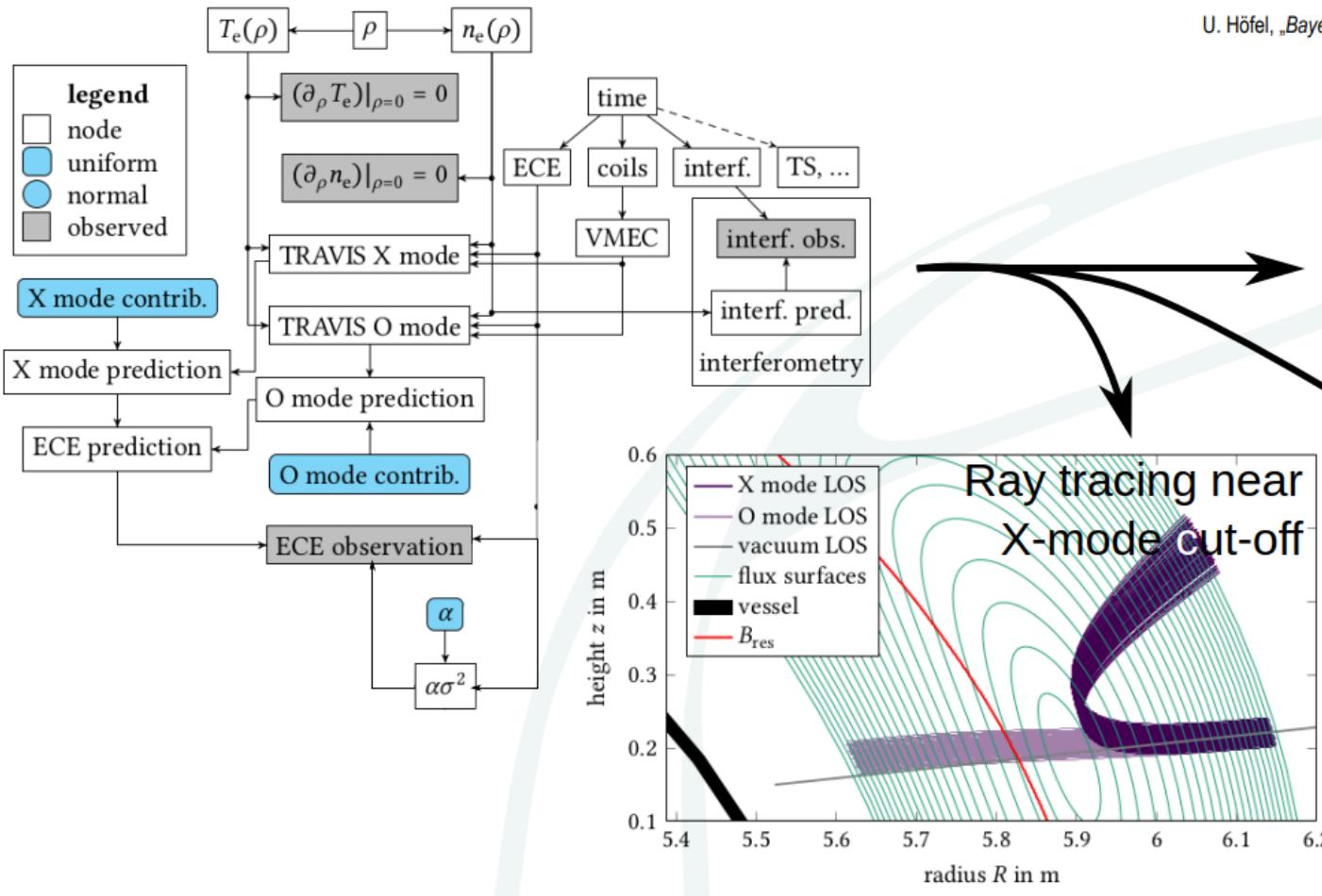
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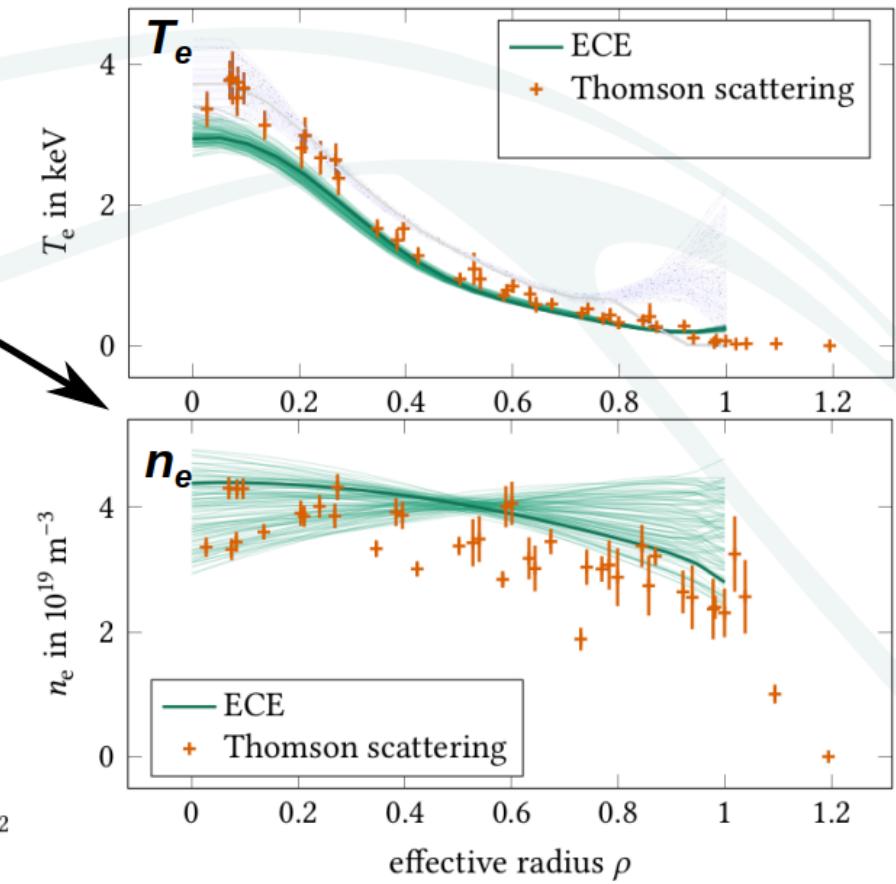


# Application: ECE

- $T_e$  profiles from ECE measurements by including the TRAVIS code
- Extract  $n_e$  profiles by combining ECE and interferometer data sets



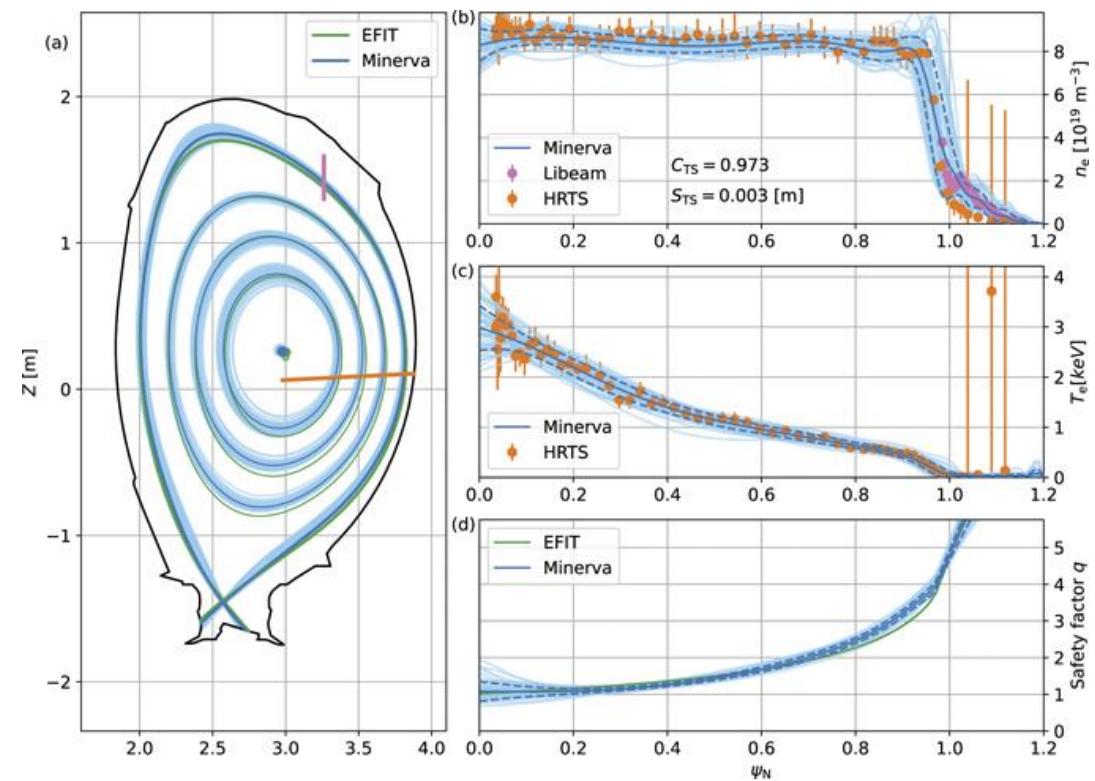
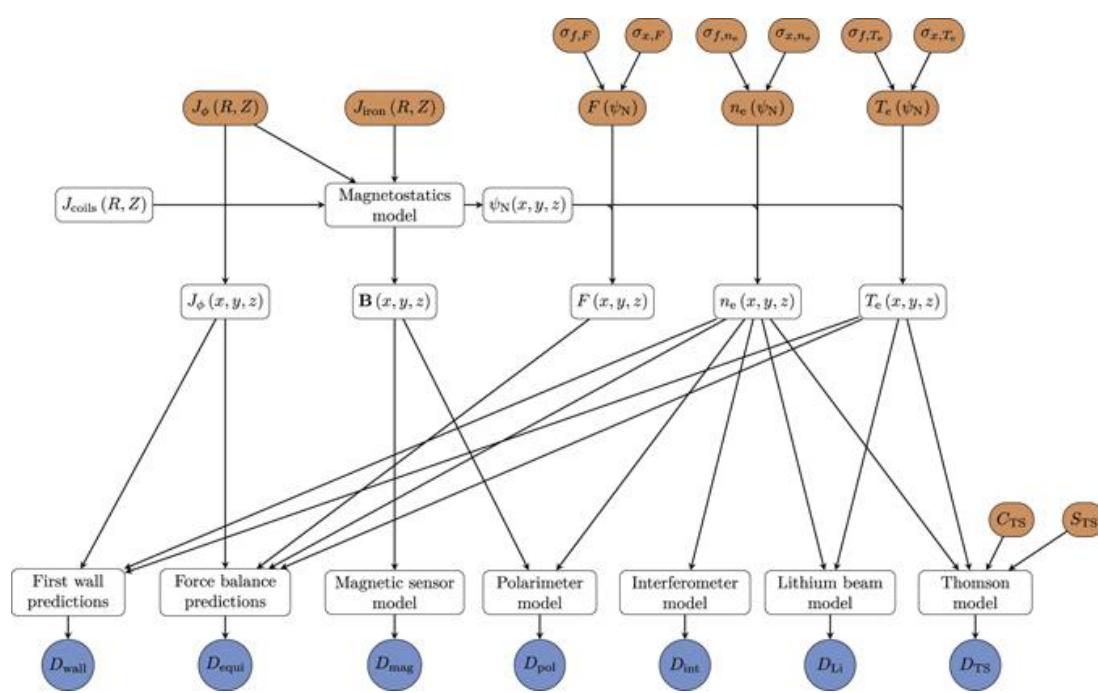
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# Application: Inference of equilibria (JET)

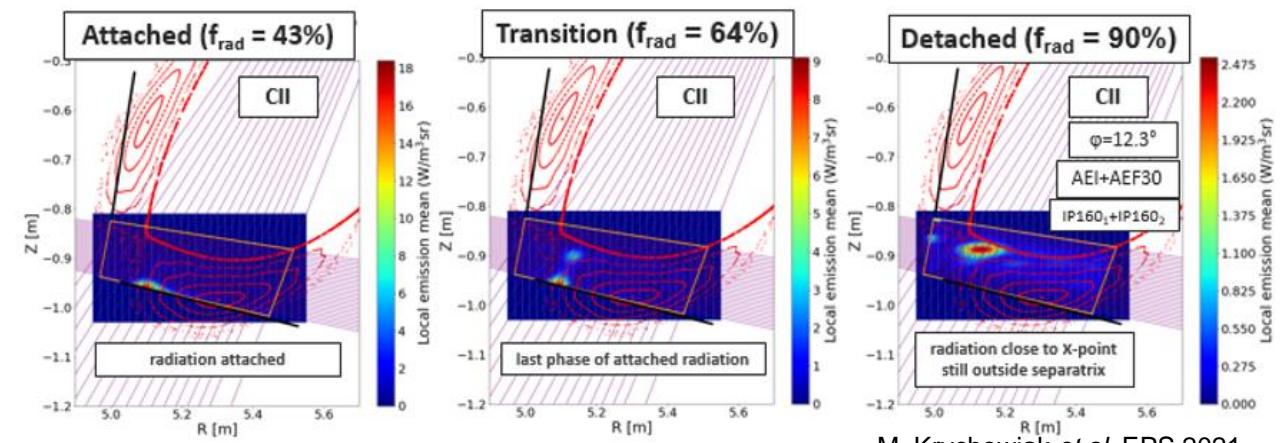
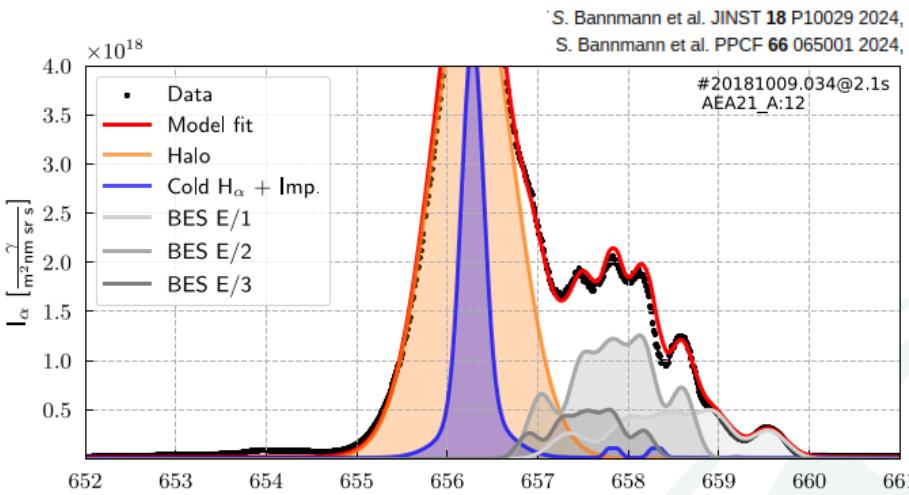
- Bayesian modelling of plasma equilibria at JET
- Find equilibria fulfilling the force balance and multiple diagnostics (magnetics – pickups, saddles, flux loops, interferometers/polarimeters and profile diagnostics)
- MHD force balance implemented as a Bayesian prior through virtual observations





# Other applications

- Beam emission spectrometers with beam model and halo emission
- Divertor impurity emissivity tomography
- Helium beam diagnostics, atomic physics studies
- ECE calibrations and profiles, Michelson interferometers
- Langmuir probes, magnetics, single LoS  $Z_{\text{eff}}$ , power deposition, etc.
- Easily transferable to other devices: also employed in ITER, JET, etc.



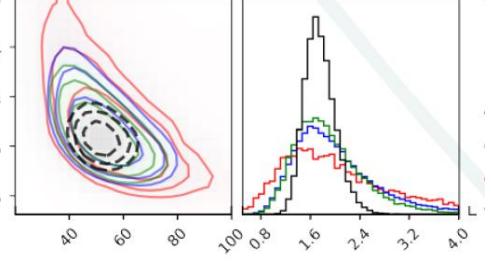
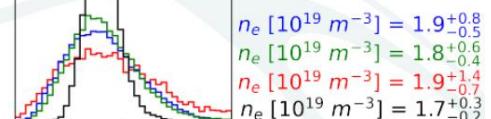
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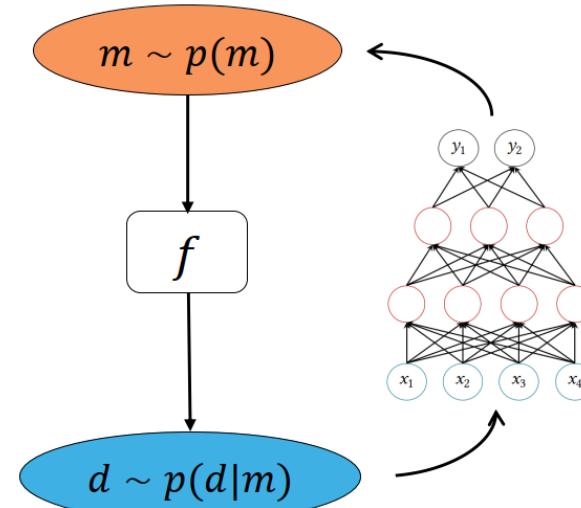
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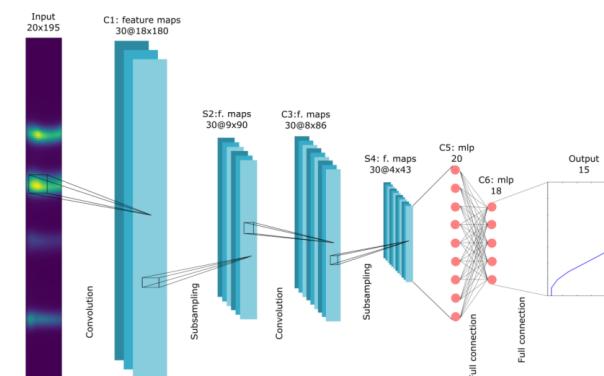


# Deep learning surrogates within the Minerva framework

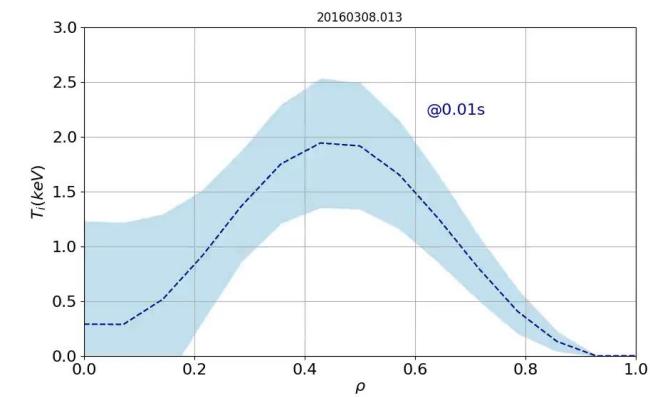
- Main obstacle of Bayesian inference: inversion time
- Can be overcome by accelerating Minerva models through the use of deep learning surrogates:
  - Training a deep learning model with synthetic data generated by the Minerva models
  - Applicable to any Minerva model for fast inference ( $\approx 100 \mu\text{s}$ )
  - Accelerated applications:
    - X-ray imaging spectrometers ( $T_i$  profiles)
    - Single LoS  $Z_{\text{eff}}$
    - VMEC equilibria
    - Lithium beam diagnostics at JET ( $n_e$  profiles)



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# Summary

Bayesian modelling of plasma diagnostics within the Minerva framework:

- Consistent inferences obtained from various observation combinations
- Uncertainty quantification without losing any information
- Well-established method for developing and maintaining the applications
- Broad application spectrum: from profile inferences using multiple diagnostics to advanced tomographic techniques for bremsstrahlung and soft X-ray data
- Easily transferable to other devices: also employed in ITER, JET, etc.
- Fast inferences ( $\approx 100 \mu\text{s}$ ) based on deep learning: applicable to any Minerva model



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