

# Dusty wall or dust wall

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# Magnetized sheath

- Magnetized plasma sheath, from wall to interior plasma, is made of three parts
  - Debye sheath:  $\lambda_D$
  - Chodura Layer (magnetic presheath):  $\rho_i$
  - Plasma presheath: plasma size
  
- Electric field and plasma flow:
  - Plasma presheath: ambipolar electric field accelerates ion flow to sonic speed parallel to B.
  - Chodura layer:  $E_C \sim k_B T / e \rho_i$  plasma flow deflected from B and form normal ion flow to ion sonic speed. ExB and parallel flow lead to sonic poloidal and toroidal ion flow parallel to the wall.
  - Debye sheath:  $E_D \sim k_B T / e \lambda_D$  ion flow reaches supersonic speed in all directions.

# A reference DEMO plasma

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- A tokamak DEMO with one GW fusion output and  $Q=20$ .
  - $R = 7$  m,  $B = 6$  Tesla
  - Wall heat load:  $P_{\text{wall}} = 250$  MW,
- Divertor surface area:  $A \approx 2 \times 2\pi R_0 L$ ,
- If all heat goes to divertor with heat flux  $\Gamma_{\text{H}} = 10$  MW/m<sup>2</sup>,

$$L = \frac{P_{\text{wall}}}{\Gamma_{\text{H}}} \frac{1}{4\pi R_0} = 0.3 \text{ m}$$

- Plasma parameter near the divertor:

$$T_e = T_i = 10 \text{ eV}, n_0 = 3 \cdot 10^{20} \text{ m}^{-3}.$$

# Dust motion near the wall

- Dust particles are negatively charged:

$$Q_d = 2 \cdot 10^4 \frac{T}{10\text{eV}} \frac{r_d}{1\mu\text{m}} e,$$

- Lorentz force and gravity are negligible for micron-size or smaller dust particulates.
- Normal to the wall: electric force and ion flow drag force equilibrium position in the Chodura layer and Debye sheath for micron-size dust particulates.
- Parallel to the wall: ion flow drag is unbalanced.

$$\mathbf{F}_d = \frac{m_d}{\tau_d} (\mathbf{V}_i - \mathbf{v}_d), \quad \tau_d = \frac{m_d}{10\pi r_d^2 m_i n_i v_{\text{th}i}} = 0.12 \frac{r_d}{1\mu\text{m}} \frac{3 \cdot 10^{20} \text{m}^{-3}}{n} \text{ s},$$

- Equation of motion parallel to the wall

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dR}{dt} &= v_{dR} \\ \frac{dv_{dR}}{dt} &= \frac{V_{iR} - v_{dR}}{\tau_d} + \frac{v_{d\varphi}^2}{R} \\ \frac{dv_{d\varphi}}{dt} &= \frac{V_{i\varphi} - v_{d\varphi}}{\tau_d} - \frac{v_{dR} v_{d\varphi}}{R}. \end{aligned}$$

# What happens to the dust particle

- Divertor poloidal transit time:

$$\tau_t(\gamma = 0) = \bar{\tau}_t = \sqrt{2L\tau_d/V_{iR}} = 1.8r_{d1\mu\text{m}}^{1/2} \text{ ms.}$$

$$\gamma \equiv \frac{V_{i\varphi}}{V_{iR}} \sqrt{\frac{L}{3R_0}} = \frac{V_{i\varphi}/V_{iR}}{\sqrt{70}} \ll 1,$$

$$v_{dR}^{\text{exit}} = V_{iR}\bar{\tau}_t/\tau_d \sim 3 \cdot 10^2 \text{ m/s.}$$

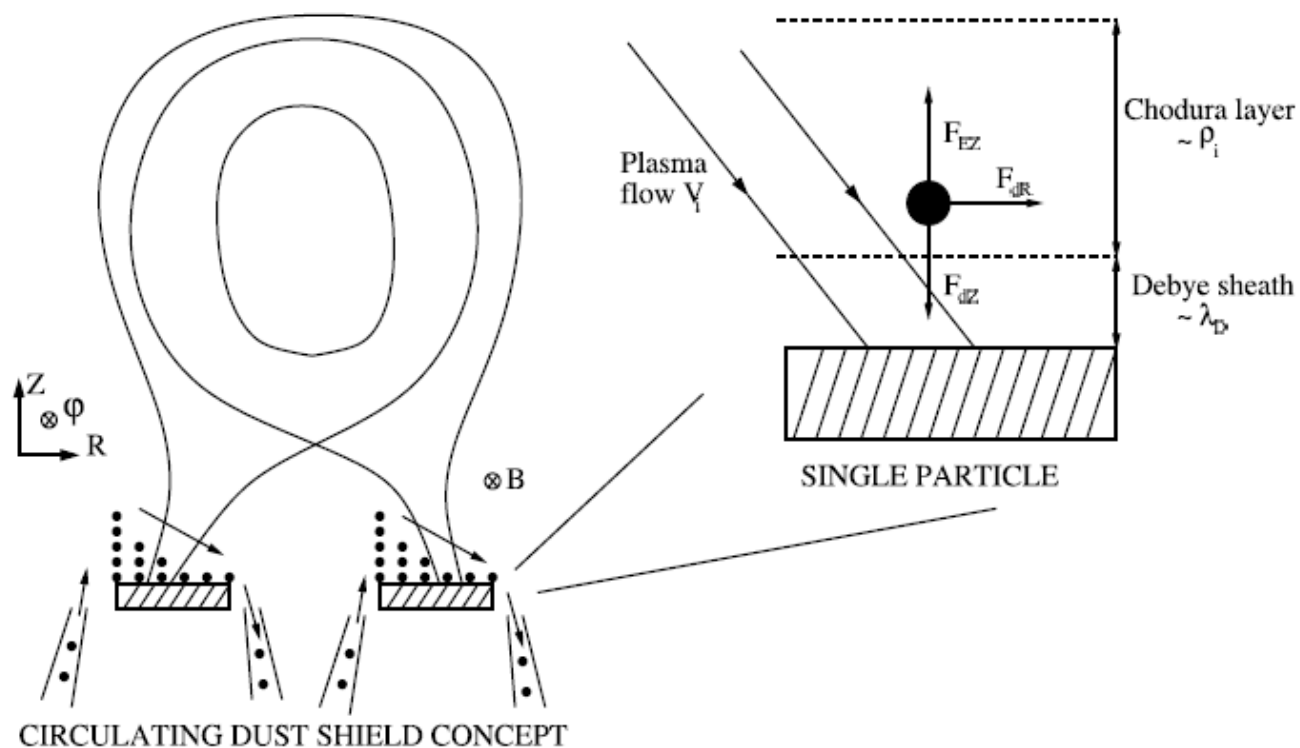
- Heating of the tungsten dust particle:

$$m_d C_d \frac{dT_d}{dt} = \Gamma_H A_d = \pi r_d^2 \Gamma_H,$$

$$\tau_m = \frac{m_d C_d}{\pi r_d^2 \Gamma_H} (T_m - T_0) = \frac{4r_d \rho_d C_d}{3\Gamma_H} (T_m - T_0).$$

$$\tau_m \approx 1.8 \times 10^{-3} \frac{r_d}{1\mu\text{m}} \frac{10\text{MW}/\text{m}^2}{\Gamma_H} \text{ s.}$$

# Dust wall (divertor) concept



# Dust divertor parameters

- Dust surface density:

$$\sigma_d^{\text{exit}} = 1/\pi r_d^2 = 3 \cdot 10^{11} \text{ m}^{-2}.$$

- Power consumption on the ion flow drag

$$P_{\text{drag}} = \sigma_d^{\text{exit}} 2\pi R_0 v_{dR}^{\text{exit}} (m_d v_d^2/2) \approx 28 \text{ MW}.$$

- Dust mass pump rate for the dust divertor

$$\Gamma_d^{\text{mass}} = \sigma_d^{\text{exit}} 2\pi R_0 v_{dR}^{\text{exit}} m_d \approx 3 \cdot 10^2 \text{ kg/s}.$$

- Total dust mass in the divertor

$$M_d = \sigma_d^{\text{exit}} m_d \cdot 4\pi R_0 L \sim 0.6 \text{ kg}.$$

- Dust pumping power

$$P_{\text{pump}} = \sigma_d^{\text{exit}} \pi R_0 v_{dR}^{\text{exit}} m_d (v_{dR}^{\text{source}})^2 \approx 0.28 \text{ MW}.$$

- Dust charge density

$$n_d Q_d \approx Q_d \sigma_d^{\text{source}} / H_d^{\text{source}} \sim 6 \cdot 10^{19} e \text{ m}^{-3}$$

# What can we do on NSTX?

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- Sheath measurement: (near term)
  - Sheath electric field in Chodura layer and Debye sheath
  - Ion flow (normal, poloidal, and toroidal) in the Chodura layer and Debye sheath.
  - Neutral flow
  
- Single dust motion measurement: (mid-term)
  - Size dependence of the equilibrium position normal to the wall
  - Shape dependence on charging and drag
  - Poloidal and toroidal transit motion parallel to the wall
  - Dust heating
  
- Dust shield measurement: (long term)
  - Field a dust injection and collection system
  - Dust shield modification of magnetized sheath
  - Dust-dust interaction.