

3d Halo Neutral Simulations In TRANSP Code And Application To NPA Diagnostic On NSTX

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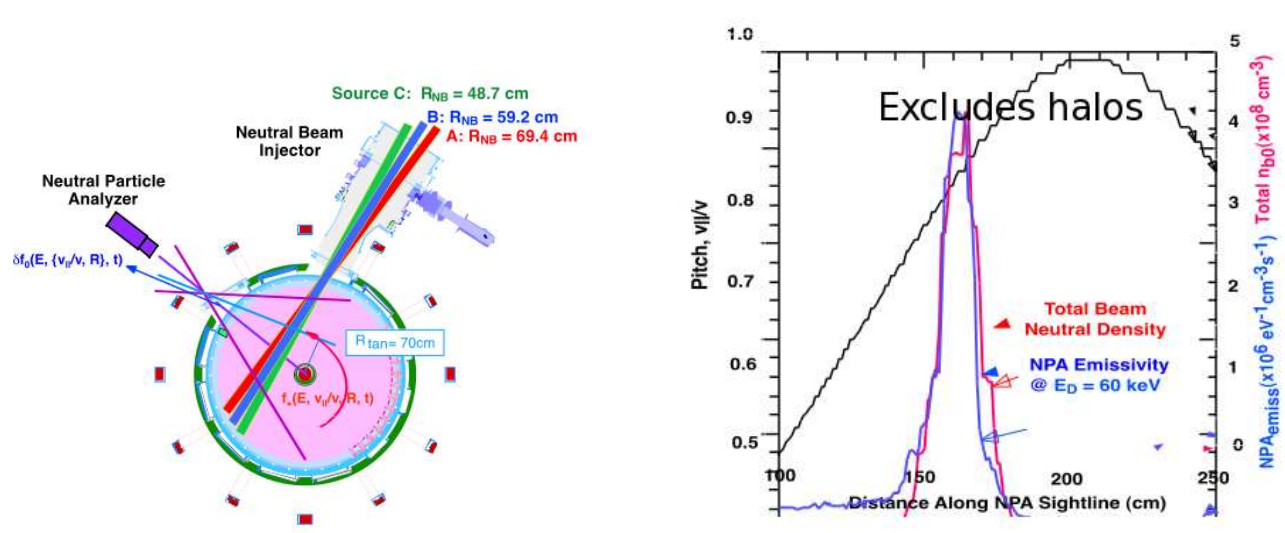
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Introduction

- NUBEAM fast ion model = Monte Carlo + time dependent + axisymmetric tokamak
- Detailed physics for fast ions
 - Classical guiding center drift orbiting
 - Coulomb collision, atomic physics, anomalous diffusion
 - heat, particle, torque, current sources
 - Recent update to NUBEAM computes ICRH heating effects on fast ions
- Excited state atomic physics in NUBEAM
- Realistic geometry (shape of plasma, outgoing CX flux direction, neutral beam/s geometry)
- Computes 3d halo neutrals halo generation during neutral beam injection

Motivation For 3d Halo Simulation

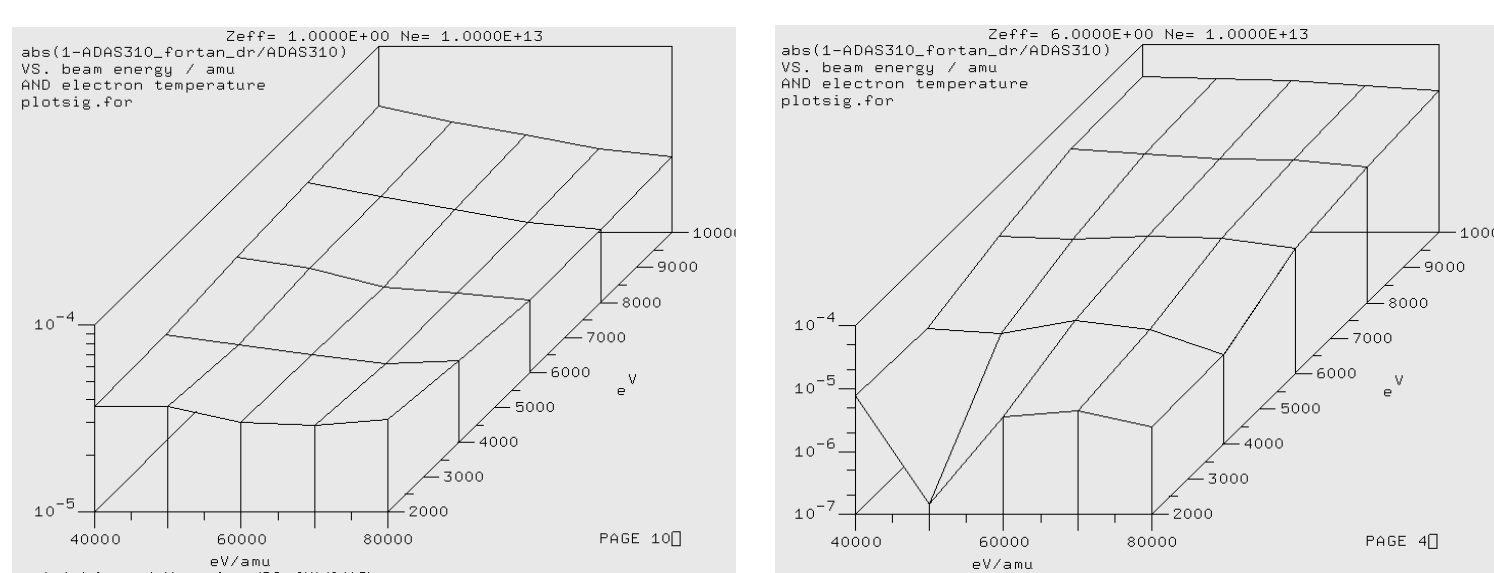
- NPA diagnostic measured the energy spectra of escaping charge exchange neutral particles:
 - ion temperature of the bulk ion component of the plasma
 - energy spectrum of the beam-injected fast ion component
 - the NPA flux is spatially localized by charge exchange on the beam and halo neutrals



- To model 3d effects on plasma charge-exchange flux (NPA diagnostic)
 - NUBEAM did not include 3d halo neutrals into NPA diagnostic simulation

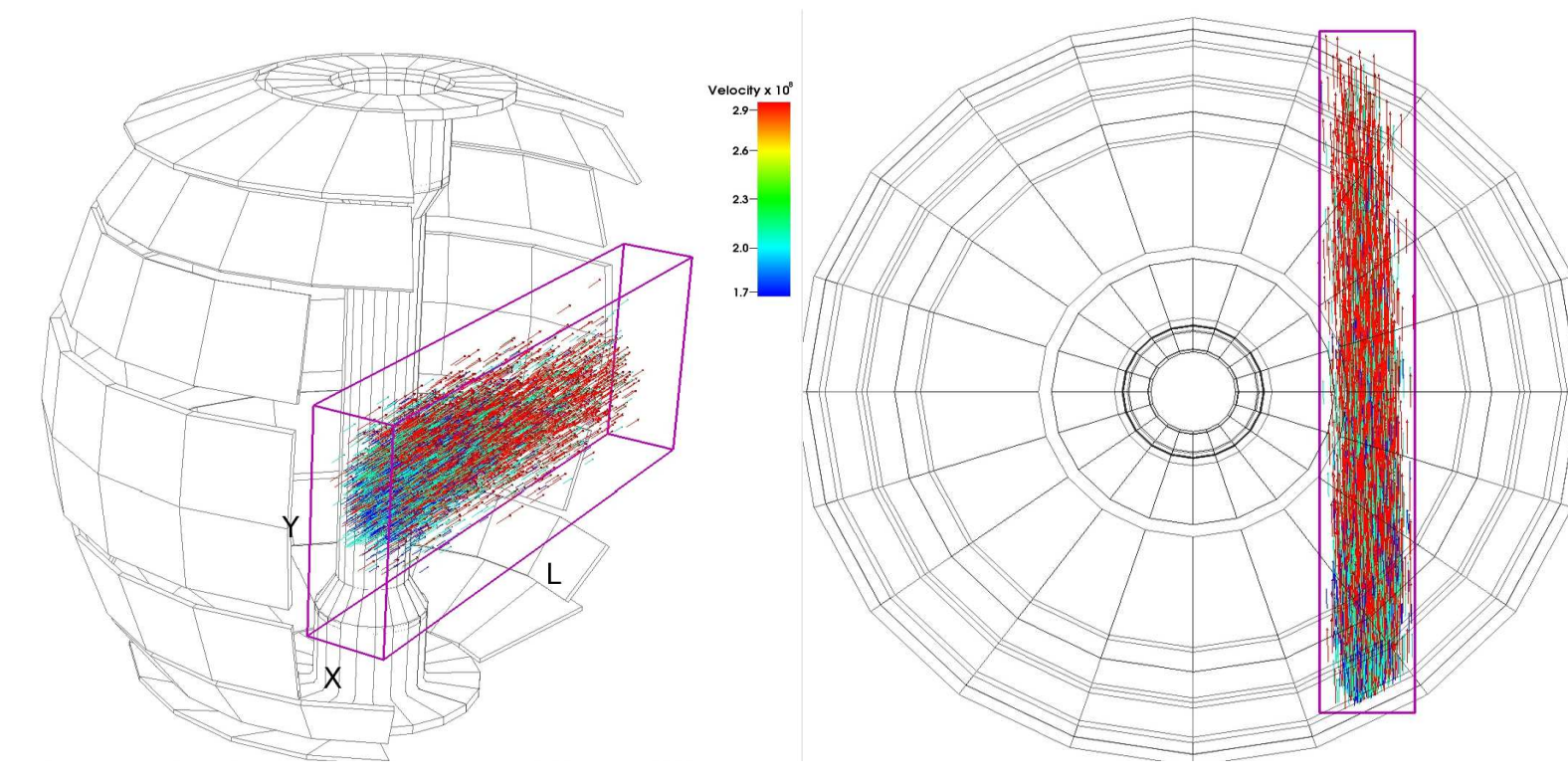
Atomic Physics Data For 3d Halo Model

- Ground State Model, ADAS or PREACT
 - beam stopping coefficients and partial cross sections CX, II, IE, IZ
- Hybrid Excited-Ground state, ADAS
 - using beam stopping rate coefficients
 - using ground state model to calculate contribution from CX, II, IE, IZ reactions
- ADAS310.FORTTRAN.DRIVER
 - Parallelized in client-server model
 - Resolves over hydrogen isotopes $H/D/T$
 - $T_e \neq T_p \neq T_{imp}$
 - Obtains contributions from $CX, EI, II, and IZ$
 - Benchmarking with ADAS beam stopping data



Design

- Each neutral beam prescribed with own 3d box
 - boxes can overlap in space
 - each box has his own coordinate system (X_b, Y_b, L_b)
 - transformation matrices form machine's Cartesian coordinate system to box's Cartesian coordinate system is defined.
- The position of the box is symmetrical to the beam's axis



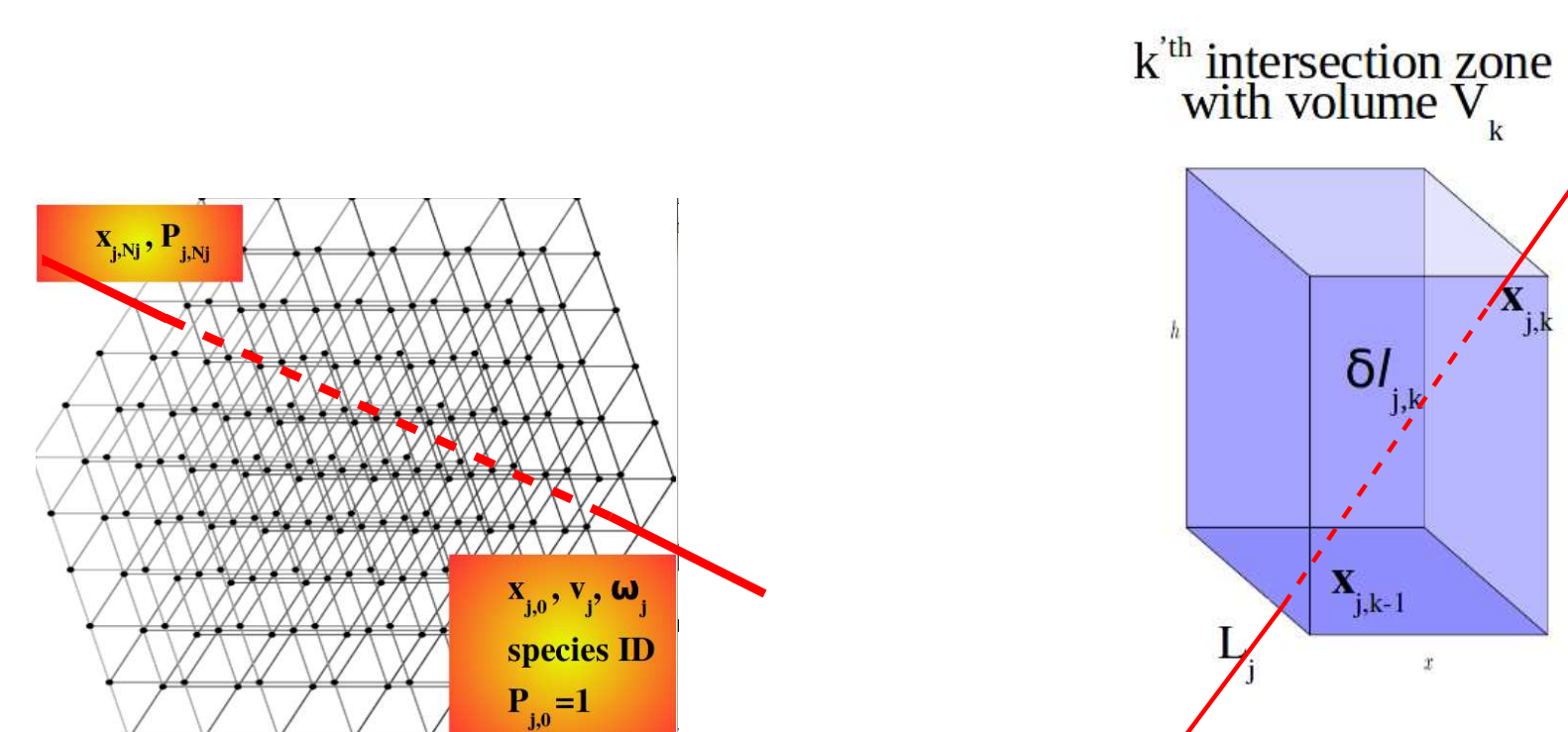
- 3d boxes are expanded to encompass halo, not just the beam

3d Halo Source

- Distinguish axisymmetric neutral populations vs. halo source
- NUBEAM axisymmetric neutral populations are:
 - wall recycling and gas flow source (thermal)
 - recombination (thermal)
 - fast neutrals due to CX with axisymmetric populations
 - thermal volume source due to axisymmetric fast neutral recapture by CX
- Independent control of CX-halo statistics: for 'fast' halo and for thermal halo
- Plasma toroidal rotation taken into account

3d Model -Key Concepts

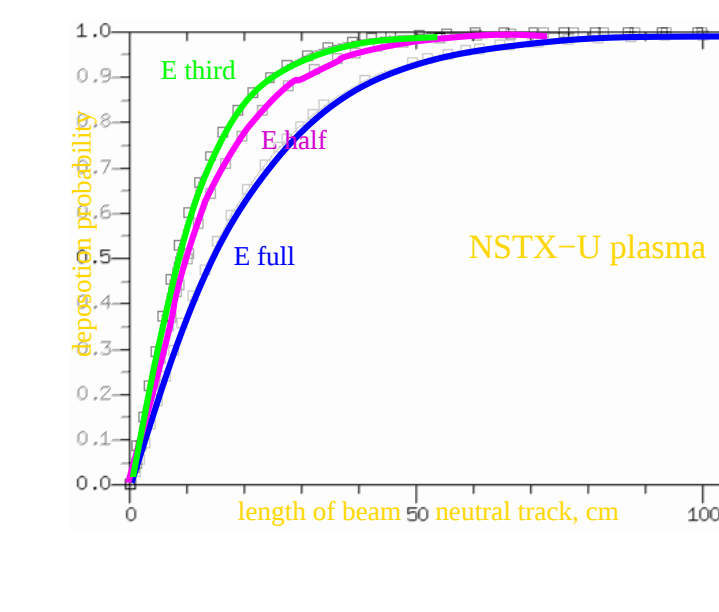
- Sum over neutral tracks L_j



- time a particle exists in each zone, $\delta t_{j,k} = \frac{\delta l_{j,k}}{|V|}$
- Neutral density, $\delta n_{j,k} = \omega_j \frac{P_{j,k-1} + P_{j,k}}{2V_k}$
- Deposition source, $\delta S_{j,k} = \omega_j \frac{P_{j,k} - P_{j,k-1}}{V_k}$

Sampling New Generation Neutrals

- RNG to sample $P_{j,k}(l)$ to launch new neutral track x_l in space
- Only CX results to halo, $f_{cx} = \sum_i N_i < \sigma V >_{cx}^{(i)} \tau_{ii}(l)$
- RNG to assign species ID base on probability $f_{cx}^{(i)} = N_i < \sigma V >_{cx}^{(i)} / \sum_k N_k < \sigma V >_{cx}^{(k)}$
- to get velocity $\vec{v}_l$ at launch point $\vec{x}_l$
- 'THERMAL' - sample from Maxwellian distribution
- 'FAST' - $F_{FLR}^{fast-ion}(R, Z, E_{lab}, \vec{v}_l, \alpha_v)$
- Apply(?) kinetic adjustment $f_{kin}^{(i)} = \sigma_{cx}^{(i)}(V_{rel}) V_{rel} / < \sigma V >_{cx}^{(i)}$

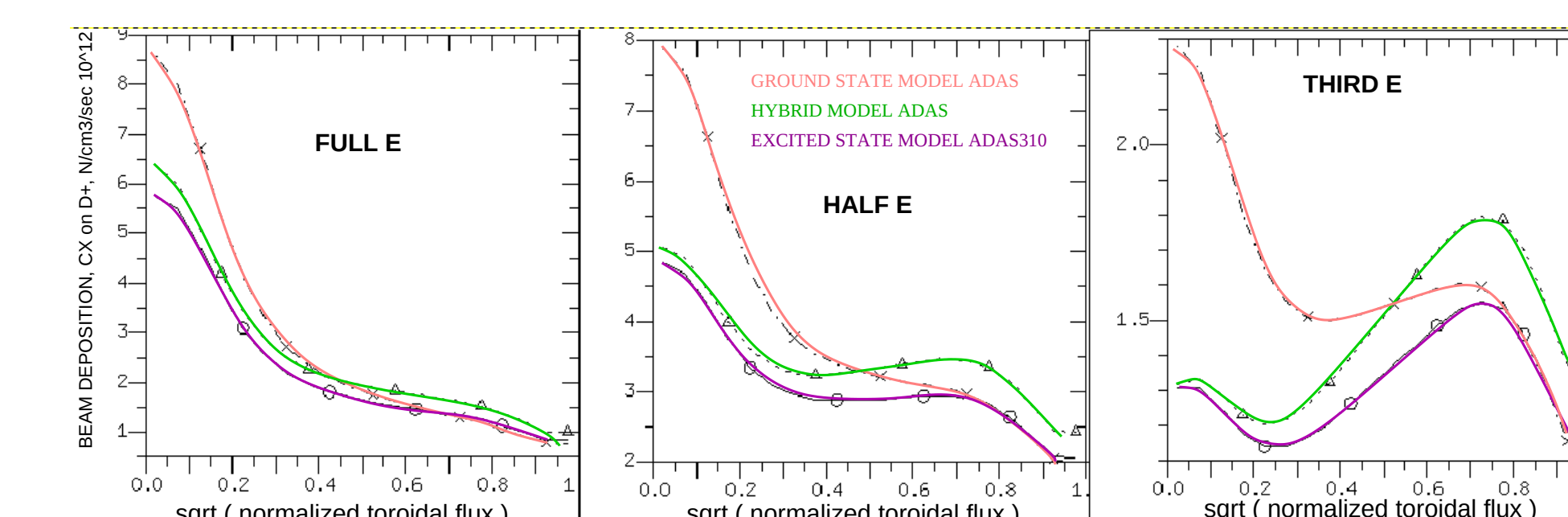


Model Controls

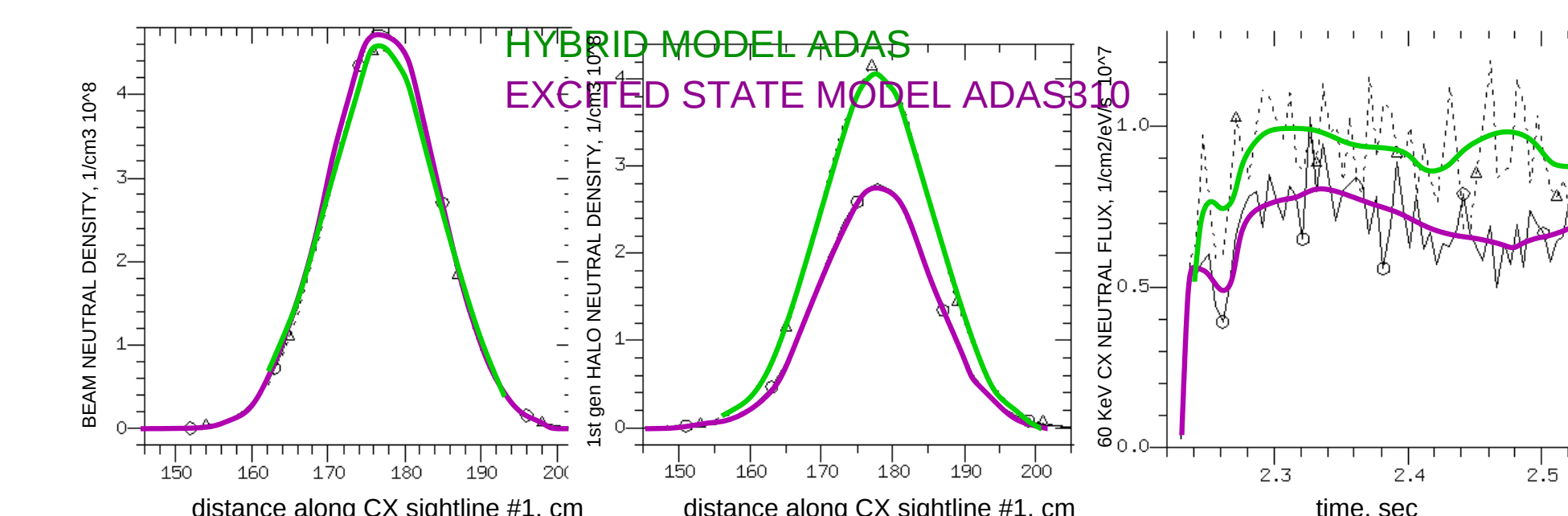
- N_{launch} - beam neutral tracks launched
- $N_{split, eo}$ - halo neutral tracks launched in space
- $N_{split, in}$ - halo neutral tracks in velocities space at each CX event
- $N_{split, eo} : N_{split, in} = const$
- Effective splitting reduced as $\omega_j \rightarrow \omega_{min}$
- $\omega_{min} = l_0 / (N_{launch} * N_{split})$

Atomic Physics And Halo Source

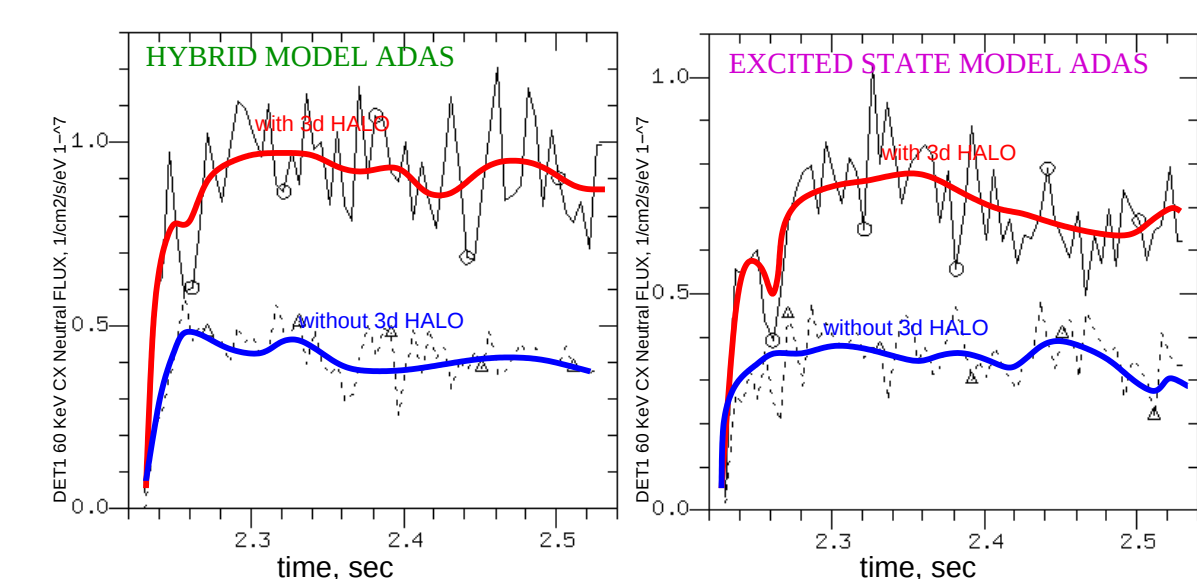
- Source of neutral strongly depends on atomic physics



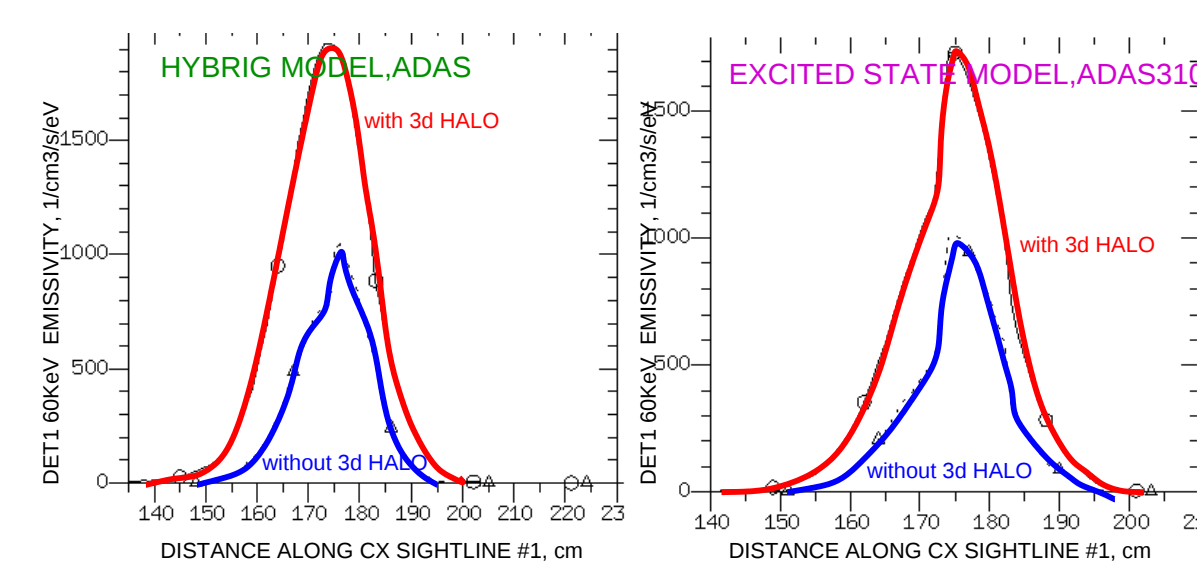
- Sensitivity of $E||B$ NPA diagnostic to atomic physics data



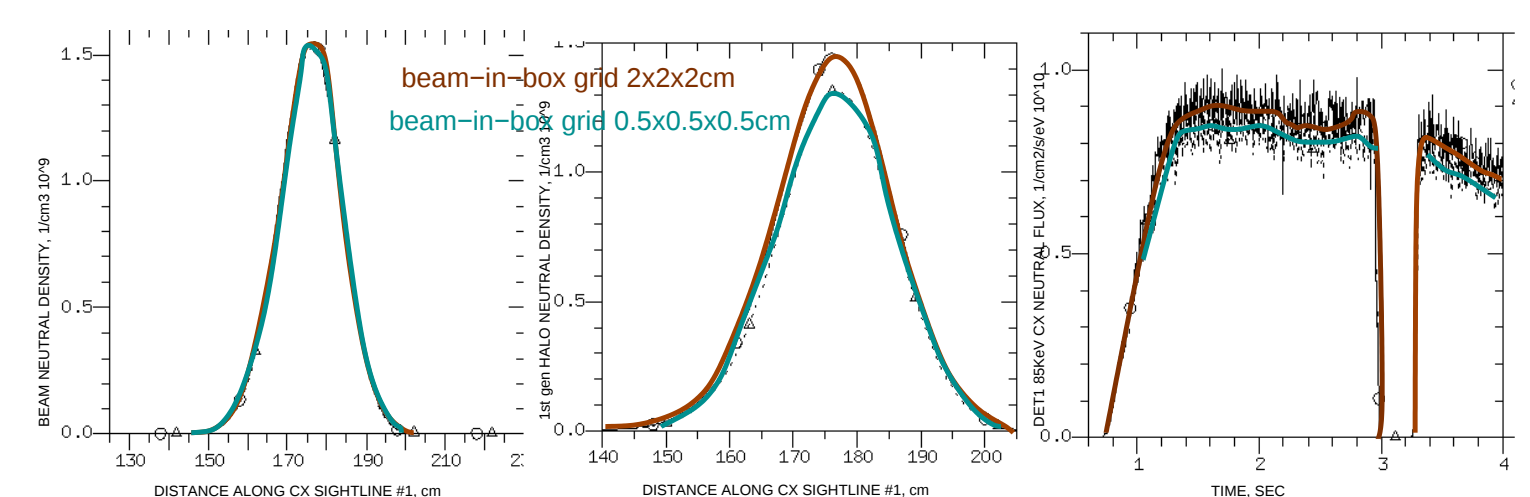
3d Halo Increases CX Neutral Flux by 70% – 90%



NPA Emissivity Is About To Be Doubled Due To 3d Halo



Beam-In-Box Grid Size On $E||B$ NPA Results



Results And Discussion

- 3d halo model is sensitive to atomic physics data as halo neutral density strongly depends on the fraction of CX reactions in neutral deposition
- NPA simulations gave about same relative changes in CX neutral flux and emissivity regardless atomic physics
- Cartesian grid size of beam-in-box increases statistical error
- Good statistics in beam neutrals and halo neutrals need to be applied to get reliable NPA simulation result

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