

### **Research on PFC Heat and Mass Transfer**

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### Outline

- PFC Heat and Mass Transfer Simulation
  - Tritium retention and permeation in FW/Divertor
  - Helium cooling for high heat flux removal
  - Thermomechanics for FW/Divertor components
- Synergistic Blanket Research
  - Liquid metal MHD, heat and tritium transport
    - E.g. High temperature liquid metal loop for channel flow
    - Small scale free surface and wetting experiments
  - Ceramic breeder and Be thermomechanics and tritium transport



### The goal of modeling is to build an integrated multiphysics simulation predictive capability

- Integral physics approach (multi-physics)
- Representative component geometry (instead of 1-D or surface only)
- Coupled advanced simulation (e.g. DEM + FEM for thermomechanics, MD and Finite volume for modeling tritium transport due to surface damage



## 1. Tritium concentration profiles throughout the whole FW and coolant

#### Modeling tools previously developed in the US : TMAP-7 (Oct. 2004), DIFFUSE

- Initial Focused on materials: Tungsten, Beryllium
- □ Mechanisms (all temperature dependent):
  - Implantation (implantation range, Gaussian profile with mean range and standard deviation) and reflection
  - Recombination (enhanced by surface damage as seen in Be)
  - Erosion and dust (tritium returns to plasma through eroded Be/Tungsten)
  - Diffusion / Permeation / Thermodiffusion (Soret)
  - Trap and De-trap due to ion induced defects, and ion induced defect production (following Gaussian implantation profile)
  - Trap and De-trap due to intrinsic defects
  - Trap and De-trap due to neutron damage (trap energy), correlation between dpa and trap site
  - Flux conservation at the material interfaces and solubility
  - Surface topology (surface alters due to re-deposition)
- **Progress is being made by comparison with the available data**





#### **Tritium Retention and Permeation in FW/Divertor**

Initially: COMSOL is used as a benchmark code to properly model the underlying physics Later models have to be implemented in a CFD-like code in order to handle larger components





### Tungsten wall Tritium Retention and Permeation (Cont'd)

The increase of the ion-induced trap density is modeled by (Ogorodnikova, Roth, and Mayer (2008):

$$\frac{dW}{dt} = (1 - r)I \varphi(x)(1 - \eta W / W_m)$$
  
Deuterium implantation profile

 $\eta$  : The rate of defect creation  $W_m$  : the maximum defect concentration

At a lower incident flux of  $3x10^{19}$  m<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>, the difference in recombination coefficient can be reflected in concentration profile as well as the retained quantity.



D retained in Ion-induced traps

### Be wall: Deuterium/tritium retention dominating underlying physics- erosion, migration, (codeposition)

**Deuterium/tritium removal from Be PFC must be included in the modeling to account for the lower retention found in experiments.** In literature, this is modeled by:

 $J_r = -(2K_r n_o^2 + u_o)$  Mobile atom concentration at the surface

u: erosion face velocity



# Incorporation of erosion effect allows reproducing experimental data

Role of diffusivity: A higher diffusivity leads to a lower tritium retention



Fig. 4. Deuterium retention in beryllium exhibits only a weak dependence on increasing fluence.

Fig. 4. taken from R. P. Doerner et al./Journal of Nuclear Materials 257 (1998) p.55

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## Both tritium retention and permeation into coolant from ion flux appear low after 1001 cycles.



**UCLA PFC Tasks** 



# 2. Helium impinging jet cooling for high heat flux FW and Divertor

#### GOAL

- Study the effect of jet interactions to optimize heat transfer and pressure drop
- Access validity of various turbulence models
- Train new student in gas cooling simulations

#### CONSTRAINTS

- Ferritic steel temperature < 550 °C
- velocity < compressible limit (~ 500 m/s)
- Constant flow rate when increasing jet #





#### Comparison between simulations using MPAKN k- $\epsilon$ and SST k- $\omega$ models in SC/Tetra

Flow rates for the following simulations were kept constant and corresponded to a 250 K increase in He inlet temperature . All jets have the same diameter.





Results from 14, 16, 18, 20 jet configurations with SST **k-ω** model

Jet-to-jet
interaction more
pronounced with
increasing
number of jets,
especially in the
k-ω model

 Velocity predictions from both models agree fairly well with each other (<5 % for most cases) and were below the compressible limit



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## 3. Thermomechanics of FW/Divertor Components: Impact of Be tile size on finger stresses at CuCrZr heat sink for ITER

An EHF ITER FW is composed of ~40 pairs of twin fingers. In PDR design, they are structurally locked to arm and beam through pins/lugs. Each has hypervaportron CuCrZr heat sink. They are designed to remove a local, peak heat flux up to 4.7 MW/m<sup>2</sup>.



### Elastic Analysis -Be Tile 25x 25 x (6+2) mm<sup>3</sup>

Calculated IC (ITER Criteria)3323 equivalent strain range for a selected path from elastic analysis give values of ~0.36% and about 5400 numbers of cyclic operations allowable (Where Strain range = elastic strain range ( $\Delta \varepsilon_1$ ) + corrections for effects of plasticity ( $\Delta \varepsilon_2$ +  $\Delta \varepsilon_2 + \Delta \varepsilon_4$ ))

Fatigue	
Nd	~5400
Temperature T degC	253.3
Δε(%)	0.35951586
$\Delta \varepsilon = \Delta \varepsilon_1 + \Delta \varepsilon_2 + \Delta \varepsilon_3 + \Delta \varepsilon_4$	0.003595159
Δε1	0.002735466
Δσ_tot (P_tot#1)	360.94
Δε2	5.20712E-05
Δε_cyclic	0.000209605
Δε_t(%)	0.020960483
Δσ	17.3287
∆P_eff	17.3287
Pm	11.56
Pb+PL	20.17
Δε3 =(Κε-1)(Δε <sub>1</sub> +Δε <sub>2</sub> )	-0.000696884
Κε	0.75
Δε4= (Kv-1)∆ε₁	0.001504506
Кν	1.55
$\Delta \varepsilon = [(K_{\varepsilon} + K_{v} - 1)^{*} (\Delta \varepsilon_{1} + \Delta \varepsilon_{2})]$	0.003623798





## Transient elasto-plastic analysis was performed over 5 ITER Induction cycles, which revealed time dependent component strain tensor behavior

The equivalent scalar strain range between the states t and t' is calculated using the difference between the strain tensor components at the states t and t':

$$\mathcal{E}_{xx}(t,t') = \mathcal{E}_{xx}(t) - \mathcal{E}_{xx}(t')$$
$$\frac{\mathcal{E}_{xx}(t,t') - \mathcal{E}_{yy}(t,t')}{3} \left\{ \left[ \mathcal{E}_{xx}(t,t') - \mathcal{E}_{yy}(t,t') \right]^{2} + \left[ \mathcal{E}_{yy}(t,t') - \mathcal{E}_{zz}(t,t') \right]^{2} + \left[ \mathcal{E}_{zz}(t,t') - \mathcal{E}_{xx}(t,t') \right]^{2} + \left[ \mathcal{E}_{zz}(t,t') - \mathcal{E}_{zx}(t,t') \right]^{2} + \left[ \mathcal{E}_{zz}(t,t') - \mathcal{E}_{zx}(t,t') \right]^{2} + \left[ \mathcal{E}_{zz}(t,t') - \mathcal{E}_{zx}(t,t') \right]^{2} + \left[ \mathcal{E}_{zz}(t,t') - \mathcal{E}_{zz}(t,t') \right]^{2} + \left[ \mathcal{E}_{zz}(t,t') -$$

	t5400	t5800				delta_Pstra	in
:p <sub>xx</sub>	6.39E-04	1.76E-03	εp <sub>xx</sub> (t,t')	1.12E-03		1.51E-03	
p <sub>vv</sub>	-7.84E-05	-3.29E-04	εp <sub>vv</sub> (t,t')	-2.50E-04			
p <sub>77</sub>	-5.60E-04	-1.43E-03	εp,,(t,t')	-8.69E-04			
p <sub>xv</sub>	-5.34E-05	6.93E-04	εp <sub>xv</sub> (t,t')	7.46E-04			
p <sub>vz</sub>	5.21E-05	-6.25E-05	εp <sub>vz</sub> (t,t')	-1.15E-04			
;p <sub>zx</sub>	2.18E-04	-1.04E-04	εp <sub>zx</sub> (t,t')	-3.22E-04			
	t5400	t5800				delta_Estra	in
xx	-7.47E-04	1.11E-03	ε <sub>**</sub> (t,t')	1.86E-03		2.09E-03	
	5.99E-05	-1.79E-05	ε <sub>νν</sub> (t,t')	-7.78E-05			
77	2.51E-04	-5.21E-04	ε <sub>77</sub> (t,t')	-7.72E-04			
xv	-5.55E-04	4.97E-04	ε <sub>xv</sub> (t,t')	1.05E-03			
	6.43E-05	-8.93E-05	ε <sub>νz</sub> (t,t')	-1.54E-04			
78	2.88E-04	-2.37E-04	ε <sub>zx</sub> (t,t')	-5.25E-04			
						<b>Total Strain</b>	Range
Elastic st	rain					3.59E	-03
	1.07E-03	1.32E-03					
					I	I I	
		2.52E-04			Simil	ar to th	e ela
					analysis result		



X component elastic strain tensor as a function of time shows expansion and shrinkage behavior

## Reducing Be tile size to 12x12x (6+2) seems not reducing the stress enough in some region with a 4.7 MWm<sup>-2</sup> profile





### Summary/Future work

- Heat and Mass Transfer PFC Activities
  - Tritium retention and permeation in FW/Divertor
    - Be/W sphere experiments and TMAP as benchmark
    - More complex geometries
  - Helium cooling for high heat flux removal
    - Application to possible EAST gas cooled limiter and DEMO relevant FW with
  - Thermomechanics for FW/Divertor components
    - Analysis of post PRD design



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### **High Temperature LM loop and experiments**



PbLi, 400C EM cond. Pump

1<sup>st</sup> experiment: flow channel insert MHD performance

PbLi measurement and technology development

LM-MHD simulation development and coupling to heat, tritium and corrosion transport

Photograph of a newly-constructed (2011) MHD PbLi loop at UCLA

## Mobilization of liquid layer by body forces

- Experiments on simple systems
  - JxB force, vertical on wetted layer
  - JxB force, horizontal on wetted layer
  - Centrifugal force, horizontal wetted foams and wetted layers
- Simulations of Rayleigh-Taylor instabilities with strong body forces and plasma wind



## JxB force, vertical on wetted layer



### Vertical "surface normal" forces can remove excess liquid metal from a wetted surface

- Shallow pool of liquid metal, and/or
- Liquid above trenches or capillary restraint



	20 A	50 A	80 A	
J <sub>0</sub> , kA/cm2	2.5	6.3	10.1	
Mag Force / Gravity	2.6 (0.2)	6.4 (0.5)	10.2 (0.8)	
Magnetic / ST Force	1.7 (1.8)	4.3 (4.4)	6.8 (6.9)	
Qualitative Result	Some deformation	Very large deformation	Complete detachment	
Rise Time, ms	20	30	35	

Keeping liquid layer below solid surface exposes edges



# Horizontal centrifugal force to remove wetted liquid layers









## Excess surface layers removed, but LM in pores not removed

- 100 ppi W foam (Ultramet)
- Wetted Ga-In-Sn
- Max Spin/ STF ratio ~0.4







### 2D TE-MHD Test Case Long thin grooves filled with Li

- 400 μm wide x 1 cm deep Li channel made from 100 μm thick Molybdenum
- 1 MW/m2 uniform surface heat flux
- Lithium flow driven by TEMHD currents generated from surface heat flux
- Coupled fully developed TE-MHD flow and heat transfer calculated
- New "thin" conducting wall BC with TE terms used to simulate conducting wall





### 2D Velocity and Temperature Profile of TEMHD driven flow

- Peak surface velocity ~ 20 cm/s
- Surface temperature rise (from bulk to surface), ~ 40 K
- TE currents confined to Hartmann boundary layer



