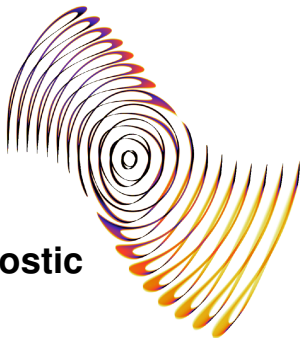




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A synthetic synchrotron diagnostic for runaways in tokamaks



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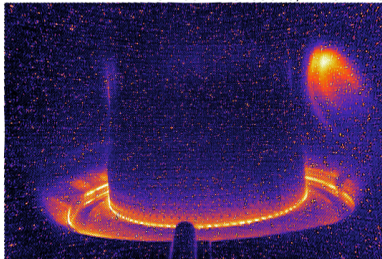
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Outline

1. Theory of our synthetic diagnostic
2. Geometric effects
3. Image sensitivity to RE parameters
4. Modelling C-Mod discharge

C-Mod 1140403026, $t \sim 0.742$ s



Synthetic synchrotron diagnostic theory

Total power per pixel, per frequency interval $d\omega$:

$$\frac{dI_{ij}}{d\omega}(\mathbf{x}_0, \omega) = \int d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{p} \int_A dA \int_{\mathbf{N}_{ij}} d\mathbf{n} \times \\ \times \frac{\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \mathbf{n}}{r^2} f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}) \delta\left(\frac{\mathbf{r}}{r} - \mathbf{n}\right) \frac{d^2 P(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{x}_0, \omega)}{d\omega d\Omega}$$

Detector parameters

A = Detector surface,

\mathbf{n} = Line-of-sight

$\hat{\mathbf{n}}$ = Viewing direction

\mathbf{x}_0 = Detector position

$d^2 P/d\omega d\Omega$ = Angular and spectral
distribution of synchrotron radiation,

$f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p})$ = Distribution of runaways,

Particle parameters

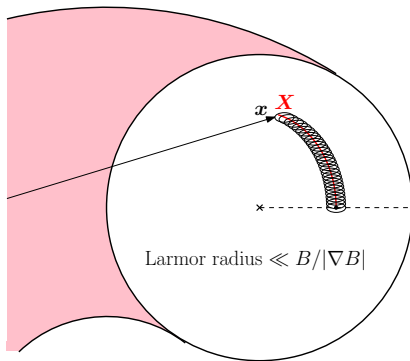
$r = |\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0|$ = Distance between camera and particle.

Synthetic synchrotron diagnostic theory

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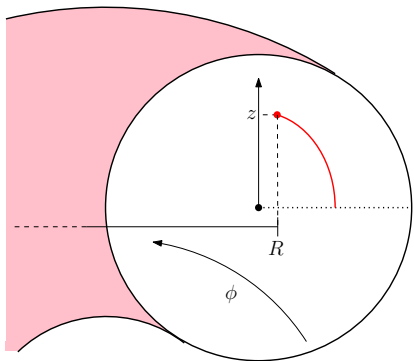
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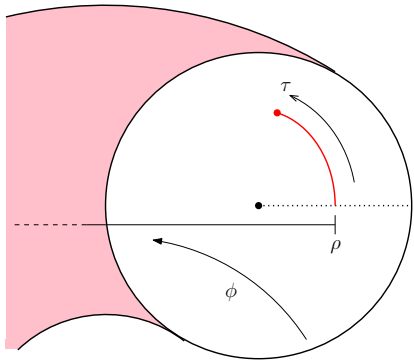
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3. Trajectory coordinates
 $(R, z) \rightarrow (\rho, \tau)$,

- ▶ ρ : Major radius of particle in the midplane, at **beginning** of orbit
- ▶ τ : Orbit time (a poloidal parameter)



Synthetic synchrotron diagnostic theory

Distribution function independent of:

- Toroidal angle ϕ – Tokamak axisymmetry
- Gyrophase ζ – Gyrotropy
- Orbit time τ – Liouville's theorem

Guiding-center distribution specified along the line $\tau = \phi = 0$ (outer midplane).

$$\frac{dI_{ij}}{d\omega} = \int_A dA \int_{\mathbf{N}_{ij}} d\mathbf{n} \int d\rho d\tau d\phi dp_{\parallel} dp_{\perp} \times p_{\perp} JR \times$$

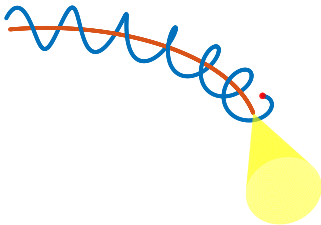
$$\times \frac{\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \mathbf{n}}{r^2} f_{gc}(\rho, p_{\parallel}, p_{\perp}) \delta\left(\frac{\mathbf{r}}{r} - \mathbf{n}\right) \left\langle \frac{d^2 P(\rho, p_{\parallel}, p_{\perp}, \mathbf{x}_0, \omega)}{d\omega d\Omega} \right\rangle$$

Synchrotron radiation

Angular and spectral distribution of synchrotron radiation:

$$\frac{d^2 P}{d\omega d\Omega} = \frac{3e^2 \beta^2 \gamma^6 \omega_B}{32\pi^3 \epsilon_0 c} \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_c}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1 - \beta \cos \psi}{\beta \cos \psi}\right)^2 \times$$
$$\times \left[K_{2/3}^2(\xi) + \frac{(\beta/2) \cos \psi \sin^2 \psi}{1 - \beta \cos \psi} K_{1/3}^2(\xi) \right]$$

Result of gyro-average:



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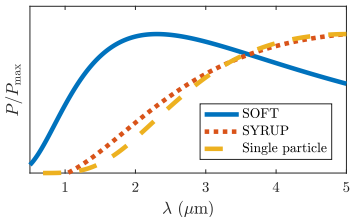


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- Full distribution runs in 5-10 hours on 4-core Xeon-based desktop, with sufficient resolution



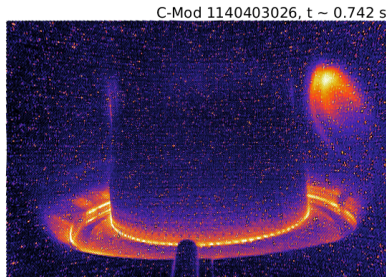
Comparison with SYRUP [1]



- Geometric effects (SOFT) show significant difference in spectrum.
- Runaway distribution specified explicitly in outer-midplane (LF-side).
- Contributions mostly from HF-side.

[1] A. Stahl, et. al. PoP 20, 093302 (2013).

Parameter scans



Magnetic geometry:

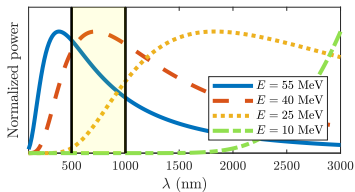
Alcator C-Mod, 3-8 T

- Radiation in the visible range
- Camera located 21 cm below midplane

Varied parameters:

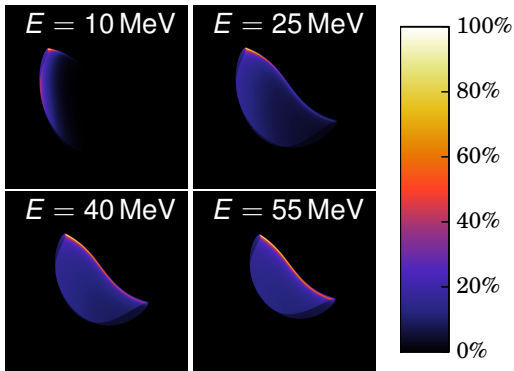
- Energy E
- Pitch angle θ_p
- Initial radius

Parameter scans – Energy



Other parameters:

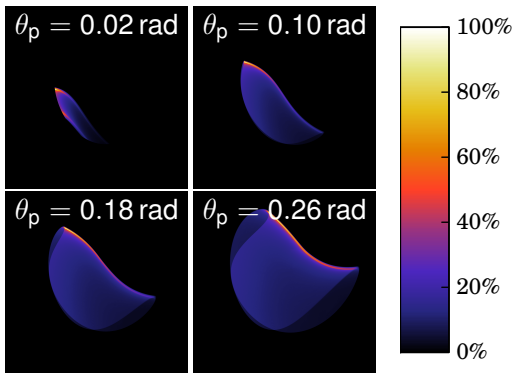
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Parameter scans – Pitch angle

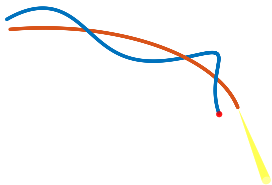
Other parameters:

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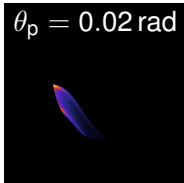


Small pitch angle = small GC cone

⇒ small chance of reaching detector

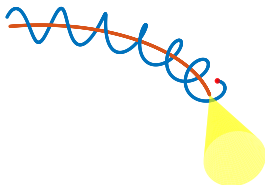


$$\theta_p = 0.02 \text{ rad}$$

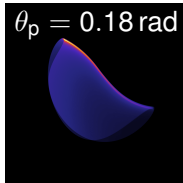


Large pitch angle = large GC cone

⇒ greater chance of reaching detector



$$\theta_p = 0.18 \text{ rad}$$



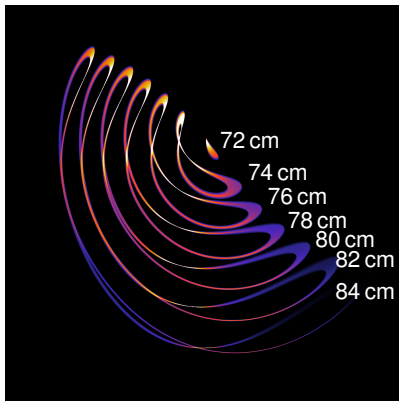
Parameter scans – Launch radius

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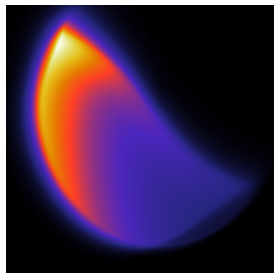
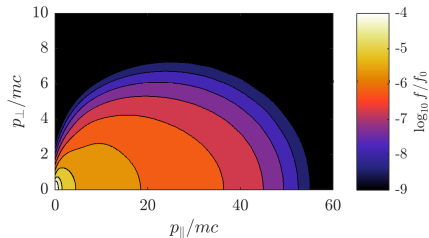
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NOTE: Magnetic axis at $R = 68$ cm.

Particles at $R \lesssim 72$ cm are invisible in this configuration.



Distribution function



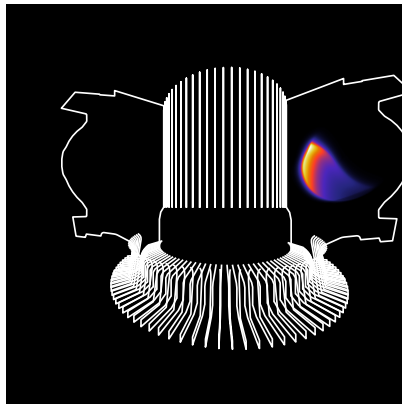
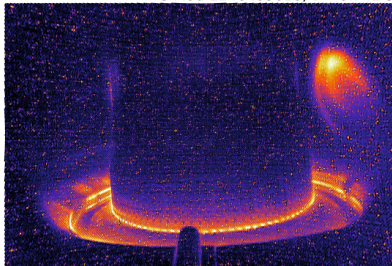
- Simulated with CODE [2, 3]
- Parameters given on-axis

[2] M. Landreman, et. al. CPC 185, 847 (2014).

[3] A. Stahl, et. al. NF 56, 112009 (2016).

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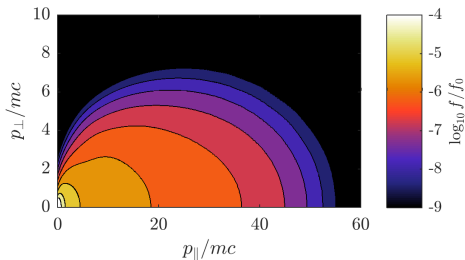
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What do we actually see?

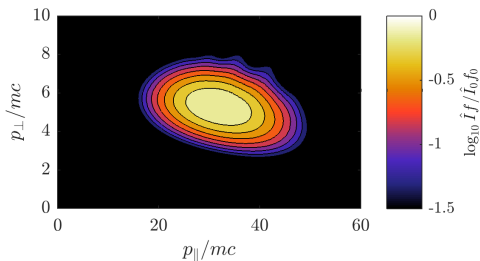
$$f(p_{\parallel}, p_{\perp})$$

(Distribution function)



$$\hat{l} \times f(p_{\parallel}, p_{\perp})$$

(Emitted radiation)





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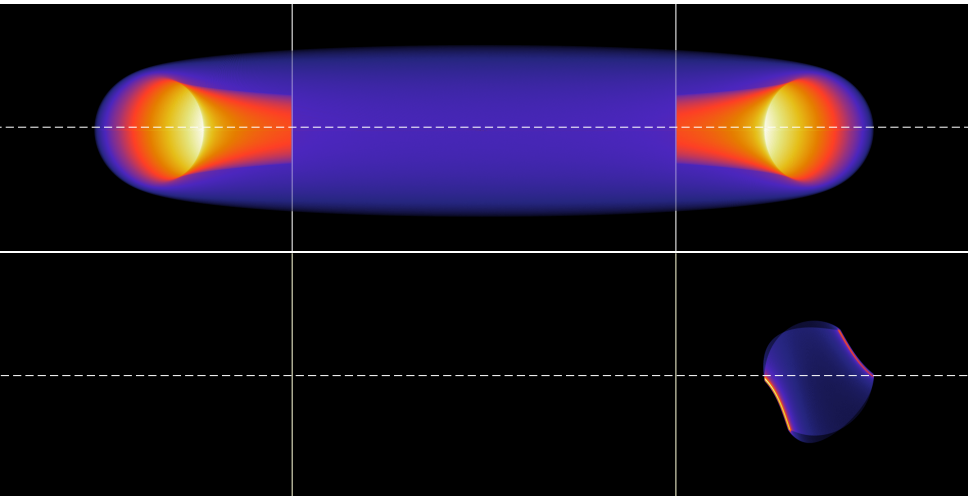
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- Detector placement strongly influences the observed synchrotron radiation.
- Sensitivity due to runaway properties helps inferring runaway distribution from image.

EXTRA SLIDES



Parameter scans – Camera vertical position

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