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Neutral Particle Transport in Field Reversed Configurations

ALES NECAS, DANIEL BARNES, SEAN DETTRICK, DEEPAK GUPTA, Tri Alpha Energy, TAE TEAM — As far as we know, there has been no study on the neutral particle transport in the Field Reversed Configurations (FRC). The presence of neutral gas impacts, e.g., the charge-exchange (cx) of the energetic ion population. In this work we will present three computational tools to study the neutral particle transport in an FRC: In the first approach we couple an MHD code with a neutral fluid—Lamy Ridge—, in the second approach we apply the modified Monte Carlo particle code—DEGAS2—to study the neutral transport in a pseudo-equilibria, and the third approach uses the GTNEUT and GTNEUT-upgrade codes, which are based on the calculation of transmission and escape probabilities and balancing fluxes with a pseudo-equilibrium. A good agreement between DEGAS2 and GTNEUT and GTNEUT-upgrade has been made. Separately, we will present a reasonable agreement between DEGAS2 and Lamy Ridge. In addition, using DEGAS2 we show the neutral density profiles of atomic and molecular deuterium, as well as $D\alpha$ profiles and its comparison to the experimental results.

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