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Understanding near and far-SOL impurity spatial distributions in DIII-D by reproduction of collector probe deposition patterns with DIVIMP and 3DLIM¹ S. A. ZAMPERINI, D. C. DONOVAN, J. D. DURAN, UTK, J. D. ELDER, UTIAS, J. N. NICHOLS, UTK, P. C. STANGEBY, UTIAS, E. A. UNTERBERG, ORNL — Replication of tungsten deposition patterns on a collector probe near the outboard midplane (OMP) of DIII-D in 3DLIM simulations involves W entering the far-SOL from the inner target direction in unfavorable Bt direction (grad-B drift away from divertor), despite the W source originating from the outer target. This is explicable by a long-hypothesized near-SOL impurity accumulation effect via the Ti gradient force. Mach probes on several tokamaks show main ion flow (v_i) stagnation near the plasma crown in unfavorable Bt. However, stagnation between the OMP and outer target is commonly observed in favorable Bt, with fast inner-target-directed flow in the crown. In DIVIMP, the ad hoc addition of fast inner-target v_i "flushes out" W ions that otherwise accumulate, implying that accumulation may only occur in unfavorable Bt. The impurity distribution along a far-SOL flux tube is input to 3DLIM, a new far-SOL Monte Carlo 3D impurity transport code. All probes inserted for unfavorable Bt had more W on their inner target facing (ITF) sides compared to their outer target facing (OTF) sides (ITF/OTF>1), which is reproduced in 3DLIM only when W enters the far-SOL from the ITF direction, as expected for near-SOL accumulation, and vice-versa for favorable Bt. These results give insight into what SOL phenomena may be setting the boundary condition on core W content.

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