

Flexible Non-LTE atomic-kinetics and detailed Stark-broadened lines profiles for spectroscopic characterization of high-energy-density plasmas

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Granted Research Projects



- Plan Nacional I+D+i “Retos de la Sociedad”. Spectroscopic diagnosis of plasmas based on atomic-kinetics and Stark-broadened line profiles: an application to the shock-ignition scheme for ICF. PI: R. Florido (ULPGC). Duration: 01/01/2016-31/12/2018.
- Plan Nacional I+D+i “Retos de la Sociedad”. Spectroscopic characterization of HED laboratory plasmas by means of collisional-radiative atomic-kinetics and molecular dynamics. PI: R. Florido (ULPGC), M.A. Gigosos (UVa). Duration: 01/06/2020-31/05/2023.



- H2020 - FP8, EUROfusion Consortium. Towards a universal Stark-Zeeman code for spectroscopic diagnostics and for integration in transport codes. PI: J.J. Santos (CELIA, U. Bordeaux, France). Duration: 01/01/2017-31/12/2018.
- H2020 - FP8, EUROfusion Consortium. Preparation and realization of European shock-ignition experiments. PI: D. Batani (CELIA, U. Bordeaux, France). Duration: 01/01/2017-31/12/2018.
- H2020 - FP8, EUROfusion Consortium. Study of direct-drive and shock ignition for IFE: theory, simulations, experiments, diagnostics development. PI: D. Batani (CELIA, U. Bordeaux, France). Duration: 01/01/2019-31/12/2020.
- FP9, EUROfusion Consortium. Advancing shock ignition for direct-drive inertial fusion. PI: D. Batani (CELIA, U. Bordeaux, France). Duration: 01/04/2021-31/03/2024.
- Academic Access LMJ-PETAL Experiment, CEA (France). Driving extreme magnetizations in compressed high-energy-density plasmas. PI: J. J. Santos (CELIA, U. Bordeaux, France). Experiments scheduled for 2024-2026.



- NLUF Program, Department of Energy (USA). Driving compressed magnetic field to exceed 10 kT in cylindrical implosions on OMEGA. IP: M. Bailly-Grandvaux (UCSD, USA). Duration: 01/01/2020-31/12/2021.
- NNSA-Department of Energy (USA). Driving plasmas to extreme magnetizations using strong laser compression and high initial magnetic field. IP: M. Bailly-Grandvaux (UCSD, USA). Duration: 06/01/2021-31/05/2023.
- LBS Program, NNSA-Department of Energy (USA). Using isoelectronic ratios to measure density in nLTE plasmas. PI: M.B. Schneider, G. Pérez-Callejo. Duration: 01/09/2021-30/08/2022.
- NLUF Program, Department of Energy (USA). Phase contrast imaging of inner shell release through Talbot-Lau X-ray interferometry. PI: M.P. Valdivia. Duration: 01/09/2021-01/09/2023
- NIF Discovery Science Program. Study of extended-MHD effects and confinement properties of strongly magnetized cylindrical implosions. PI: M. Bailly-Grandvaux. Pre-selected (fingers crossed).

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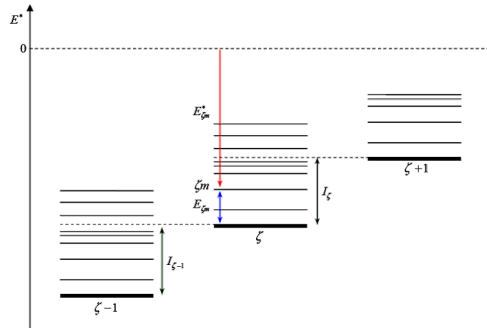
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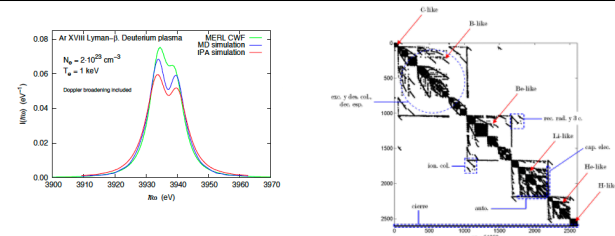
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Flexible Atomic Code (FAC)¹
fundamental atomic data



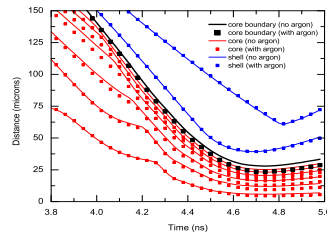
[1] M. F. Gu, Can. J. Phys. 86, 675 (2008)

ABAKO², MERL³, MODELA⁴, SIMULA⁵, DinMol⁶
CR modelling, population distributions,
line shapes, radiative properties



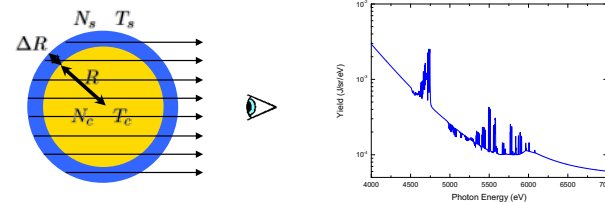
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- [6] M. A. Gigosos et al., Phys. Rev. E 98, 033307 (2018)

Gorgon⁷, FLASH⁸
time-resolved spatial profiles
of plasma conditions



[7] C. A. Walsh et al., Phys. Plasmas 27, 022103 (2020)
[8] FLASH Center, <https://flash.rochester.edu/site/index.shtml>

FESTR⁹, RadTrans¹⁰
radiation transport, synthetic spectra



[9] P. Hakei. Comput. Phys. Commun. 207, 415 (2016)
[10] R. Florido, private communication

- Cluster ULPGC: 7 workstations: 2 Intel Xeon Silver (10 cores), 128 Gb RAM, 1 SSD 240 Gb, 3 HD 2 Tb
- Cluster UVa: 100 PCs (Intel i3 or higher), 64 Gb RAM, 20 GPUs (Cuda), 2 workstations

ABAKO: a code for flexible NLTE atomic-kinetics

Versatility

- Low- to high-Z elements can be studied.
- Wide range of temperatures and densities.
- EDFs for thermal and hot-electrons.
- Optically thin and optically thick cases can be considered.
- Ready for steady-state and time-dependent calculations:

$$(TD) \quad \frac{d\mathbf{f}}{dt} = \left(\sum \mathbb{R}^+ - \sum \mathbb{R}^- \right) \mathbf{f} = \mathbb{A}\mathbf{f}$$

$$(SS) \quad \frac{d\mathbf{f}}{dt} = 0 = \left(\sum \mathbb{R}^+ - \sum \mathbb{R}^- \right) \mathbf{f} = \mathbb{A}\mathbf{f}$$

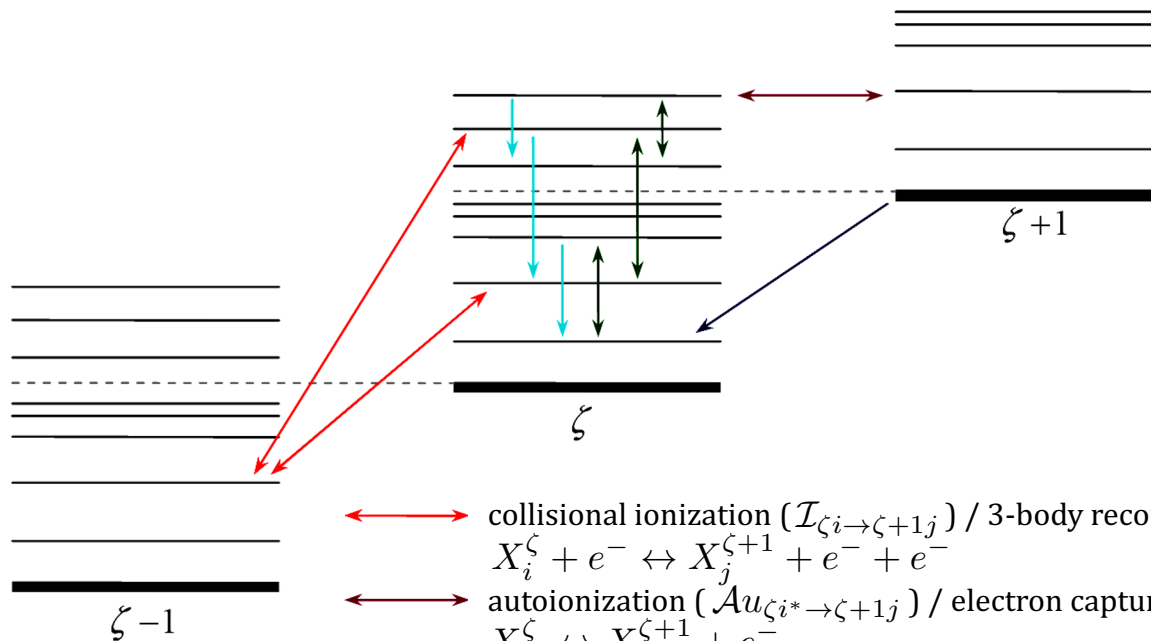
Balance between accuracy & computational cost

- ABAKO assembles a set of simple analytical models which yield substantial savings of computer resources.
- It provides good comparisons with more elaborated codes and models.

ABAKO: a code for flexible NLTE atomic-kinetics

- It accounts for the most-relevant collisional and radiative atomic processes.
- Autoionization states are explicitly included.
- Effort in having a tractable and consistent set of levels and transitions to represent the physical reality.

Atomic
processes
rate
coefficients



↔ collisional ionization ($\mathcal{I}_{\zeta i \rightarrow \zeta+1 j}$) / 3-body recombination ($\mathcal{R}_{\zeta+1 j \rightarrow \zeta i}^{3b}$)
 $X_i^\zeta + e^- \leftrightarrow X_j^{\zeta+1} + e^- + e^-$

↔ autoionization ($\mathcal{A}_{\zeta i^* \rightarrow \zeta+1 j}$) / electron capture ($\mathcal{C}_{\zeta+1 j \rightarrow \zeta i^*}$)
 $X_{i^*}^\zeta \leftrightarrow X_j^{\zeta+1} + e^-$

→ radiative recombination ($\mathcal{R}_{\zeta+1 j \rightarrow \zeta i}$)
 $X_j^{\zeta+1} + e^- \rightarrow X_i^\zeta + h\nu$

↔ collisional excitation ($\mathcal{E}_{\zeta i \rightarrow \zeta j}$) / deexcitation ($\mathcal{D}_{\zeta j \rightarrow \zeta i}$)
 $X_i^\zeta + e^- \leftrightarrow X_j^\zeta + e^-$

→ spontaneous decay ($\mathcal{A}_{\zeta j \rightarrow \zeta i}$)
 $X_j^\zeta \rightarrow X_i^\zeta + h\nu$

Stark-broadened line shapes

Line shapes in plasmas are important since:

- They are needed for a detailed model/calculation of line intensity distribution.
- Line widths can be either temperature (Doppler broadening) or density (Stark broadening) sensitive: spectroscopic diagnostic of temperature or density.
- In the ICF context (hot and dense plasmas), Stark-broadening becomes the dominant broadening mechanism. Detailed and accurate Stark-broadened line shapes are required for analysis of experimental data.
- In our team, we have **different codes** for the calculation of Stark-broadened line shapes:

Analytical

MERL: Developed within the framework of the standard Stark-broadening theory and extended for highly charged ions. Ion dynamics is included via BID model. [3] R. C. Mancini *et al.* *Comput. Phys. Commun.* **63**, 314 (1991)

MODELA: Standard Stark-broadening theory. Ion dynamics is included either using computer simulations or FFM. [4] M. A. Gigosos, private communication
[11] B. Talin *et al.* *Phys. Rev. A* **51**, 1918 (1995)

Computer simulations

(testbed for improvement of theoretical models)

SIMULA: It generates multiple time-histories of the perturbing electric field by means of an independent particle simulation. In a second step, the electric dipole autocorrelation function of the emitter is computed to finally obtain the spectrum. [5] M. A. Gigosos, V. Cardeñoso. *J. Phys. B: At. Mol. Opt. Phys.* **29**, 4795 (1996).

DinMol : Computer simulation model. It's a *true* classical molecular dynamics code, so the electric field sequences comes from a system of interacting particles. [6] M. A. Gigosos *et al.* *Phys. Rev. E* **98**, 033307 (2018).

$$I(\omega) = \int P(E)J(\omega, E)dE$$

$$\vec{E}(t) \Rightarrow D(t) \Rightarrow C(t) \Rightarrow I(\omega)$$

$$I(\omega) = \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Re} \int_0^{\infty} e^{i\omega t} \{C(t)\} dt$$

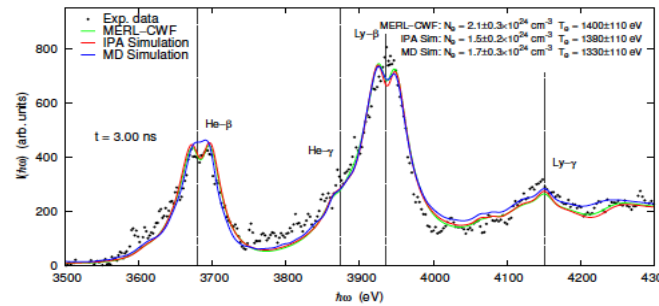
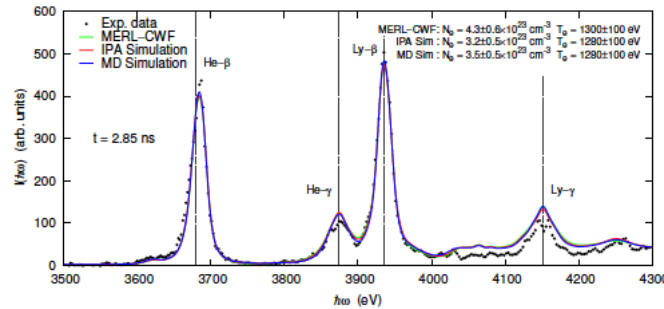
$$C(t) = \text{tr} [\mathbf{D}(t) \cdot \mathbf{D}(0)]$$

$$\mathbf{D}(t) = U^+(t)\mathbf{D}(0)U(t)$$

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} U(t) = [H_0 + q\mathbf{E}(t) \cdot \mathbf{R}] U(t)$$

Stark-broadened line shapes

Comparison MERL / SIMULA / DinMol

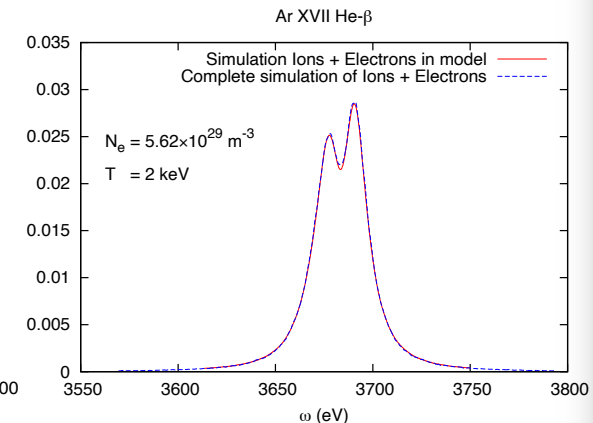
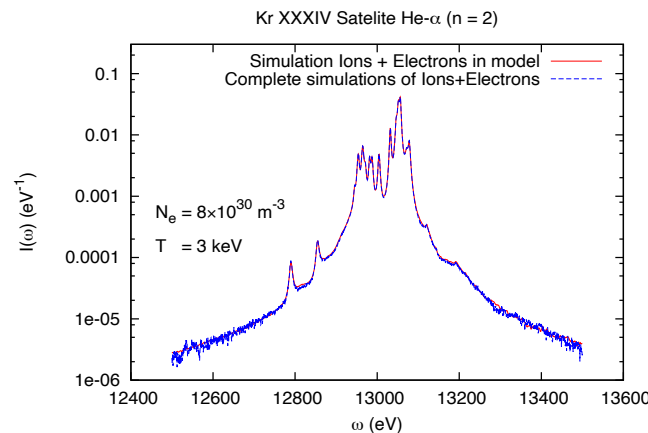


[12] M. A. Gigoso *et al.* *Atoms* 9, 9 (2021)

- Ar K-shell spectra from spherical implosions experiments at OMEGA.
- Results of diagnosis (based on $n=3, 4 \rightarrow n=1$ transitions) are likewise indistinguishable considering the data analysis uncertainty.
- However, noticeable differences were found in $n=2 \rightarrow n=1$ transitions, as shown later.

Comparison MODELA / SIMULA

- Electron broadening** computed using this model agrees within **99%** with that obtain from **computer simulations** (for selected and affordable cases of interest).
- Computational time drastically reduced in MODELA (particularly important for satellite transitions).



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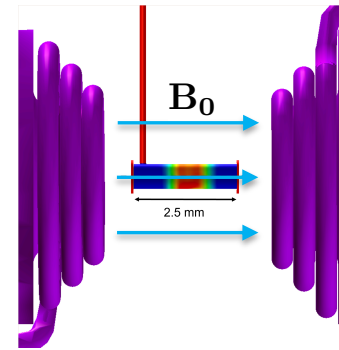
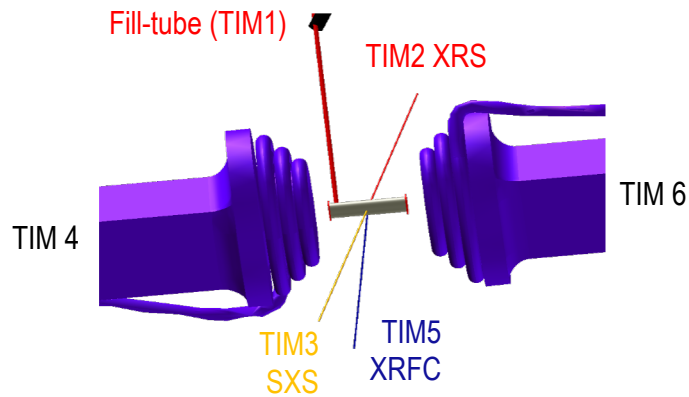
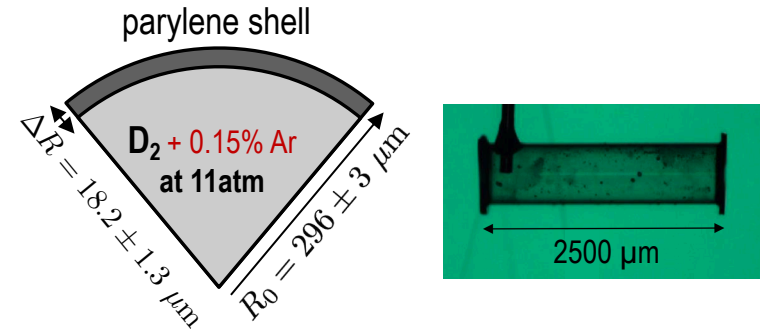
BCoilCompress: a platform for magnetized HEDP

- **OMEGA-60** experimental campaign (DoE-NLUF). **PI:** M. Bailly-Grandvaux (UCSD).

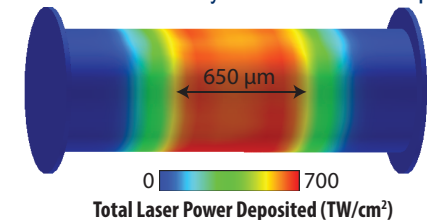
Setup

- Targets were cylindrical tubes filled with 11 atm of D_2 gas and a tracer amount (0.15%) of Ar.
- Seed B-field ~ 30 T driven externally using dual MIFEDS^[13] (capacitor bank discharge).

[13] Gotchev et al. Rev. Sci. Instrum. **80**, 043504 (2009)



- Laser drive^[14]: 40 UV beams, 1.5 ns, total energy ~ 14.5 kJ
[14] Hansen et al., Phys. Plasmas **27**, 062703 (2020)
 $> 5 \times 10^{14}$ W/cm² fairly uniform across 650 μ m



Motivation

- 2D MHD simulations (Gorgon code^[7]) of magnetized cylindrical implosions using a seed B-field of 10-50 T predict a compressed B-field of 8 to 30 kT, which is strong enough to alter the implosion hydrodynamics and the characteristic conditions of the compressed core^[15].

[7] C. A. Walsh et al., Phys. Plasmas **27**, 022103 (2020)

[15] C. A. Walsh et al., Plasma Phys. Control. Fusion **64**, 025007 (2022)

- **Measure the imploded plasma conditions** (density, temperature) throughout the implosion collapse in magnetized conditions via **spectroscopic changes in Ar K-shell emission**.

Modelling the experiment: 2D MHD simulations

Extended-MHD 2D Gorgon simulations

laser heating

- Ray-tracing
- Inverse bremsstrahlung

thermal transport

- Anisotropic conduction
- Righi-Leduc

radiation transport

- Non-diffusive multi-group approx.

magnetic transport

- **Advection:**
 - Bulk plasma
 - **Nernst + cross-gradient Nernst**
- **Source terms:**
 - **Bierman Battery**
 - Sadler
- **Resistive diffusion**

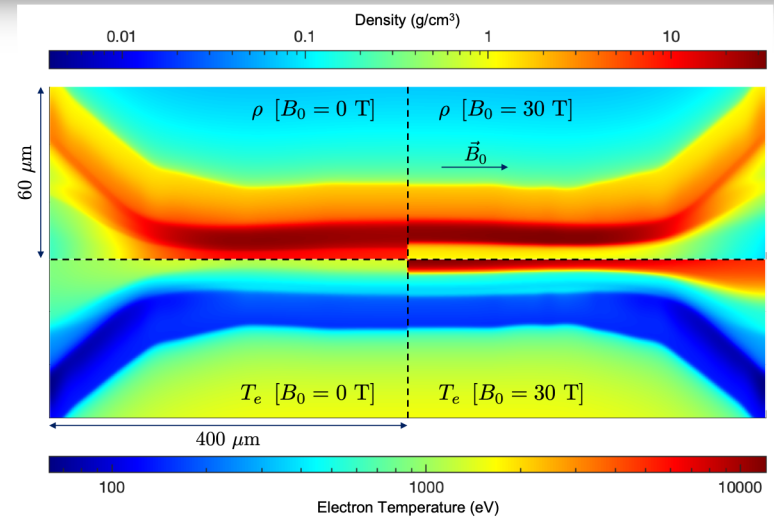
others

- Lorentz force
- Updated transport coefficients^[16].

[15] C. A. Walsh et al., Plasma Phys. Control. Fusion **64**, 025007 (2022)

[16] J. D. Sadler et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **126**, 075001 (2021)

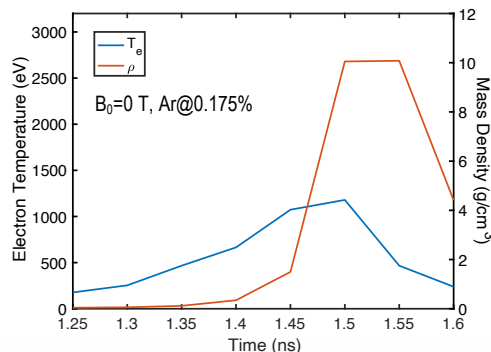
2D map of target conditions at stagnation ($t=1.5$ ns)



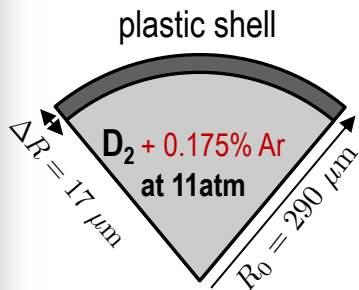
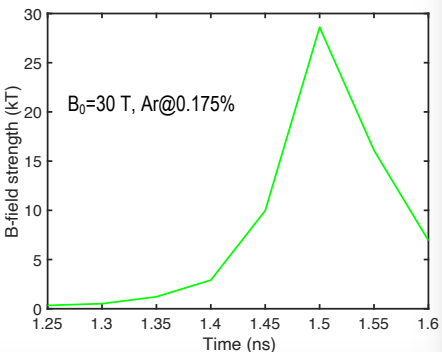
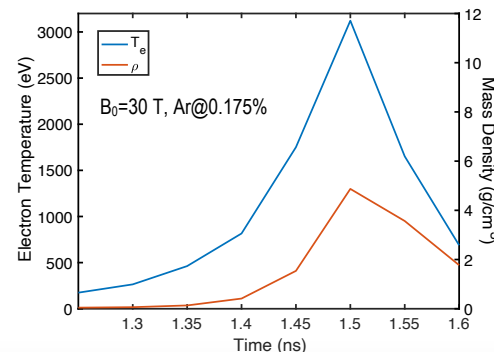
- At stagnation^[15], owing to the high compressed B-field (>10 kT):
 - **Temperature increases** from 1 keV to 3 keV
 - **Density decreases** from ~ 10 g/cc to ~ 5 g/cc

Time-histories of average core conditions

unmagnetized



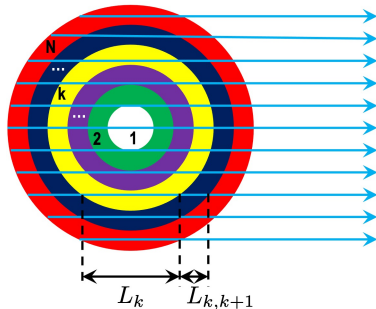
magnetized



Modelling the experiment: Ar synthetic spectra

Post-processing of Gorgon simulation, non-uniform radiation transport model

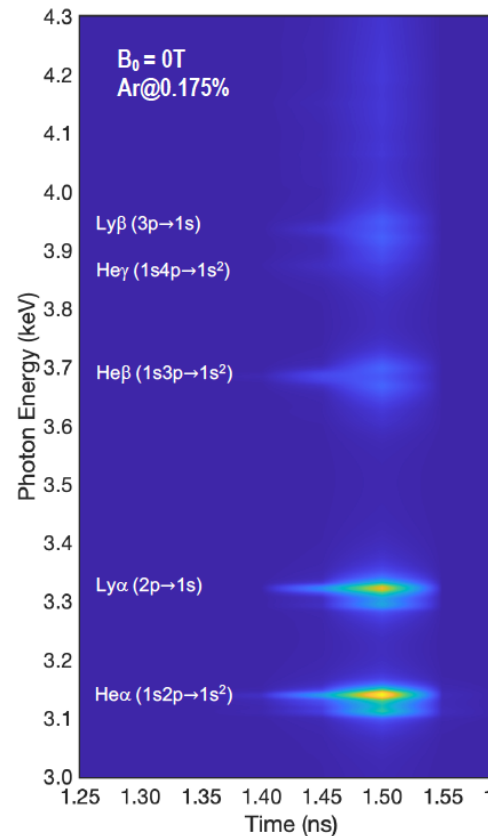
Radiation transport



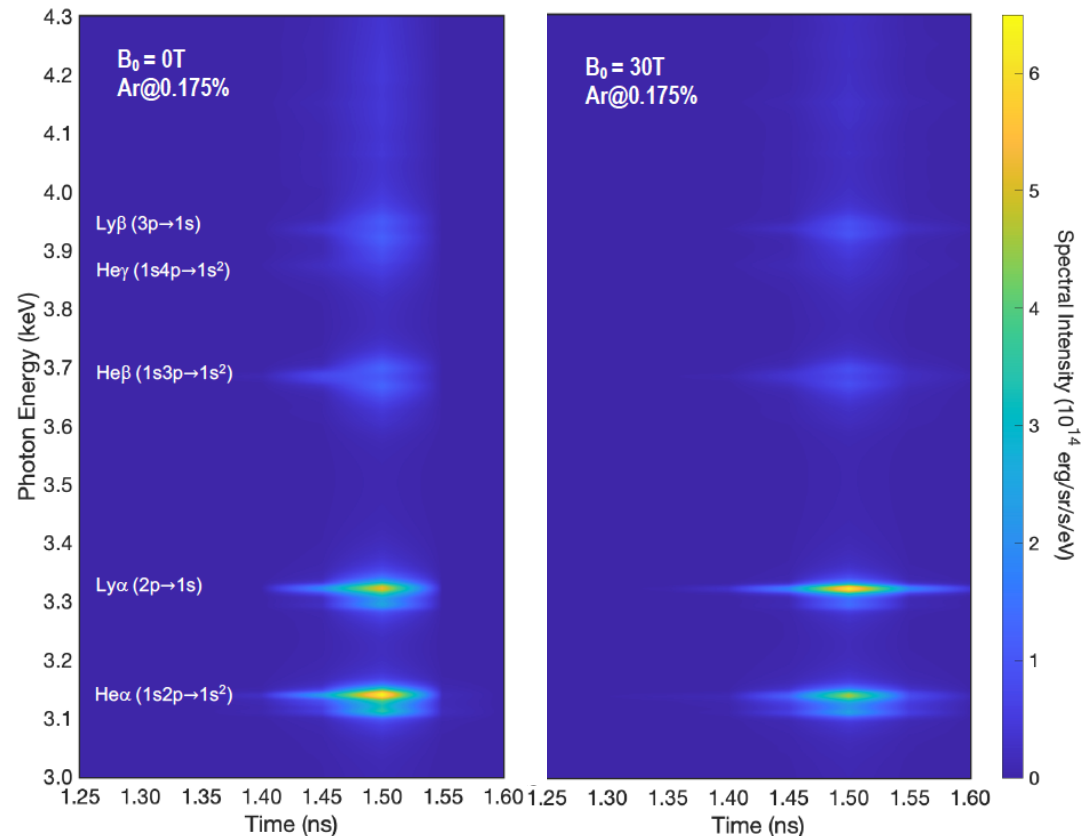
- It accounts for spatial gradients.
 - Collection of slabs with appropriate chord lengths.
 - Emissivities and opacities computed at plasma conditions given by Gorgon spatial profiles. No averaging or interpolation was done.
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- Differences are observed between the magnetized and non-magnetized case.
 - Variations in plasma conditions to be inferred from Ar K-shell spectroscopy.
 - Potential use of Kr K-shell spectroscopy.

Synthetic X-ray streaked images

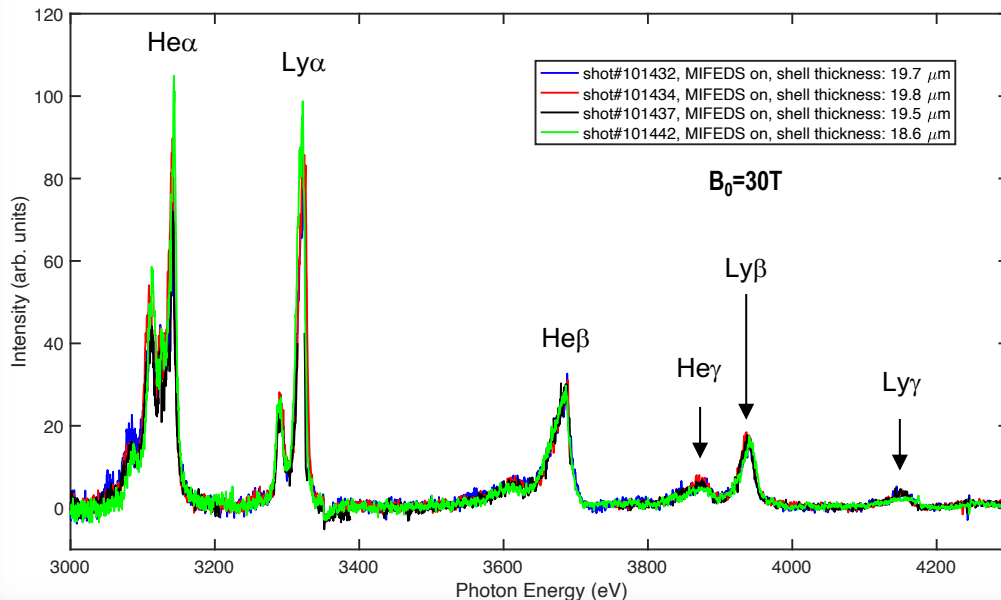
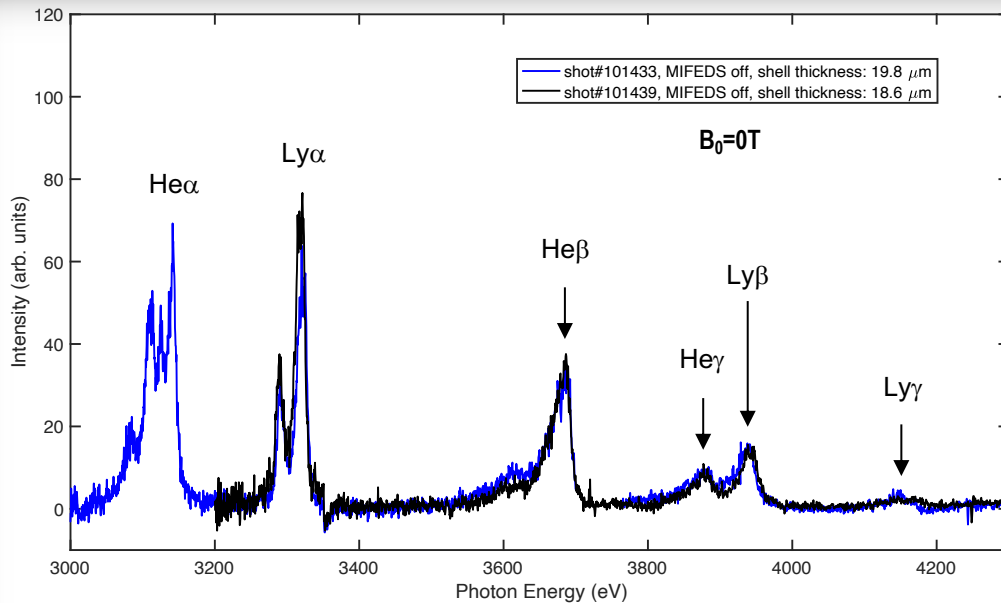
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magnetized



Experimental data: time integrated spectra

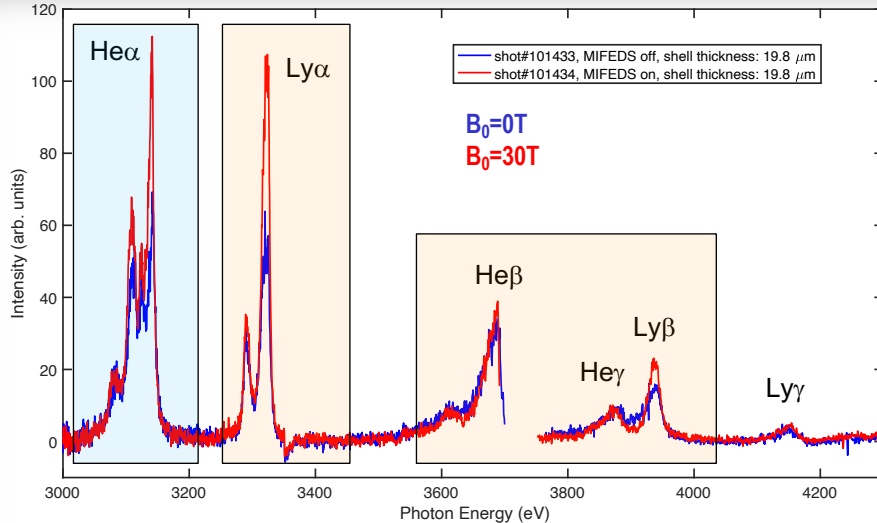


unmagnetized implosion

- We successfully recorded the time-integrated spectra for six shots in our campaign of Ar-doped cylindrical implosions in OMEGA.
- **High reproducibility** for both shots with and without imposed B-field.
- The observed time integrated spectrum does not show differences due to small changes in target shell thickness.
- For the non-magnetized case, He α region was recorded in only one shot. Poor statistics. Ratio He α /Li-like sat. suspiciously low.

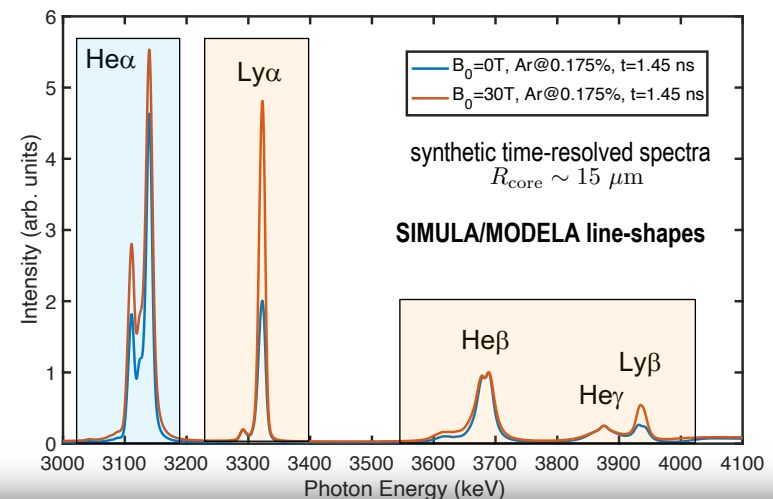
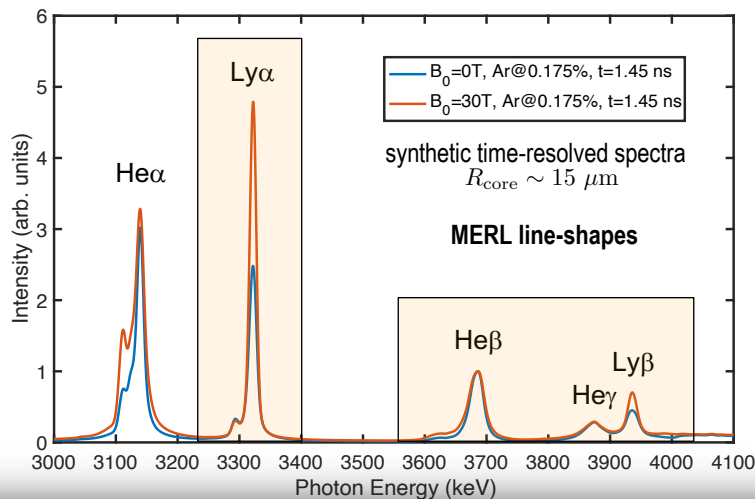
magnetized implosion

Experimental vs. synthetic spectra



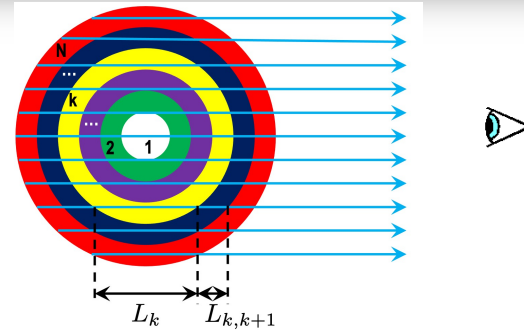
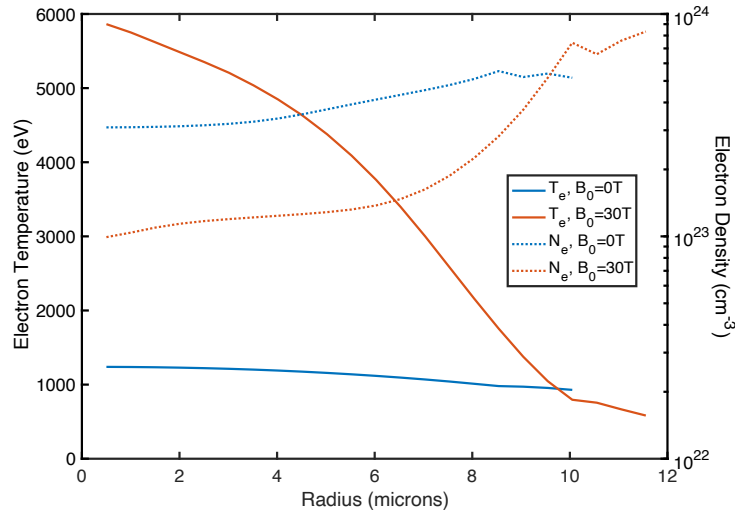
- Several **systematic observations** are noticed.
- $\text{He}\beta$ shows the same *shape* for the both cases.
- For the magnetized case, the $\text{Ly}\beta/\text{He}\beta$ line intensity ratio is higher.
- For the case of the strong α emission, in the magnetized case, the $\text{Ly}\alpha/\text{He}$ -like satellite intensity ratio is clearly higher than in the non-magnetized implosion.
- The last two observations suggest a hotter core for the magnetized implosion.

- **Qualitatively, all these observations are predicted by our synthetic spectra simulations.**
- Analysis of XRFC data shows a similar compression for both scenarios ($R_{\text{min}} \sim 15$ microns). MHD simulations predict higher compression (~ 5 and 8 microns without and with B-field respectively). **Comparison is better when looking at 50 ps earlier (when the core radius agrees with that measured at stagnation).** [17] G. Pérez-Callejo et al., RSI 27, 062703 (2020)



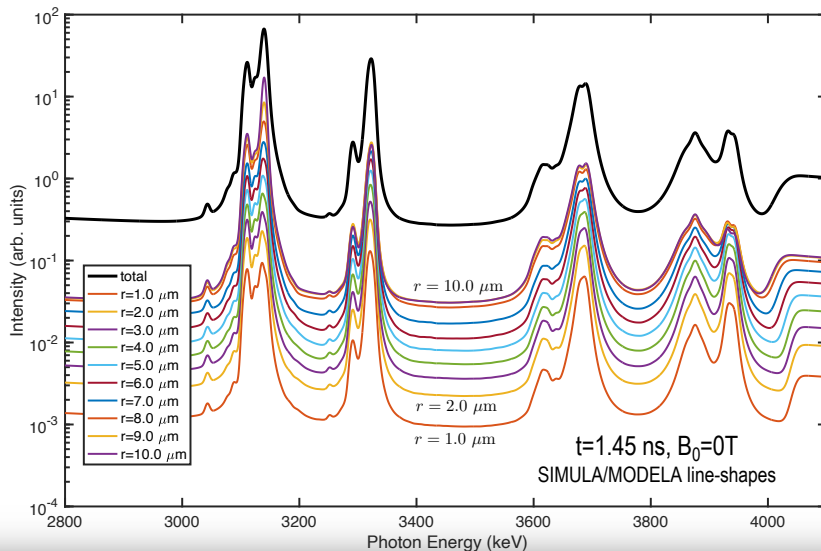
Spatial gradients and formation of the spectrum

spatial profiles at t=1.45 ns

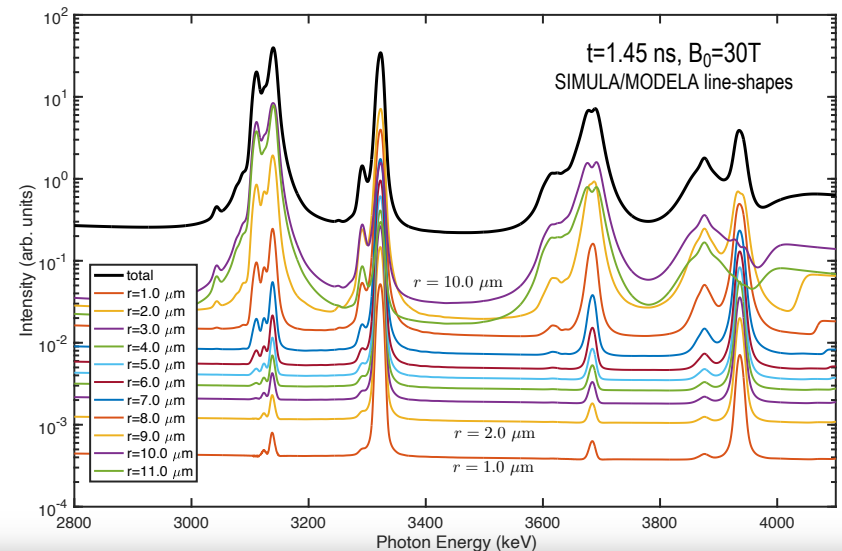


- Splitting the emergent spectrum in the corresponding radial contributions helps to understand the spectrum formation.
- Clearly, in the magnetized case, emission mostly comes from the core periphery.

unmagnetized implosion

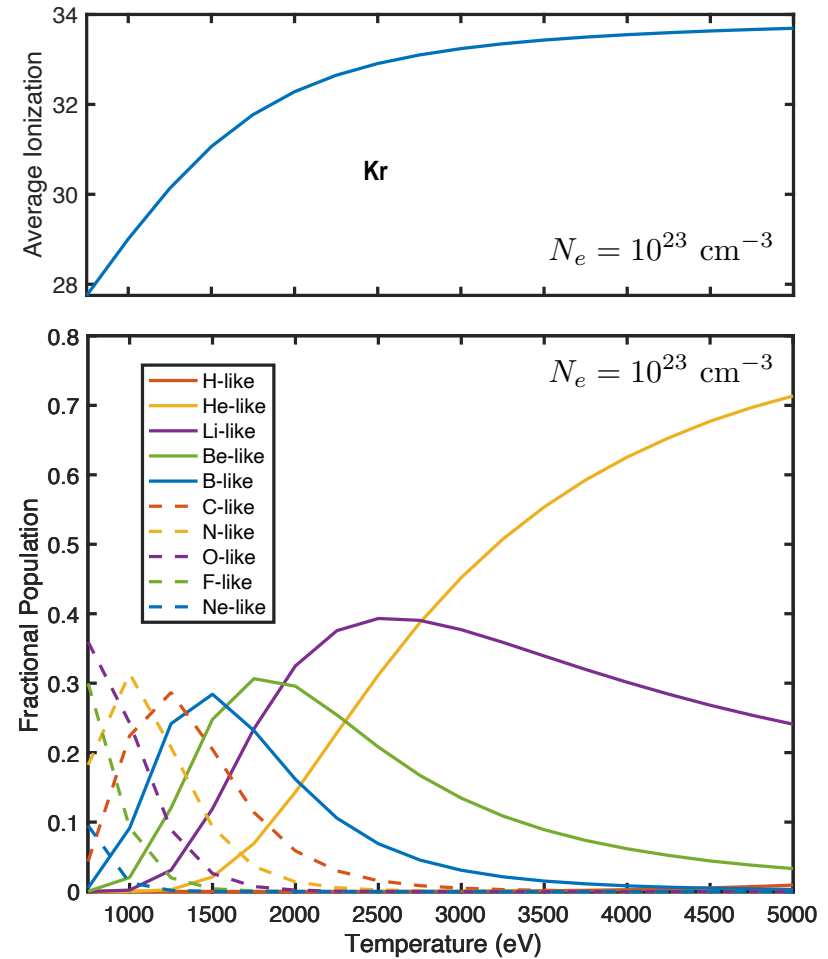
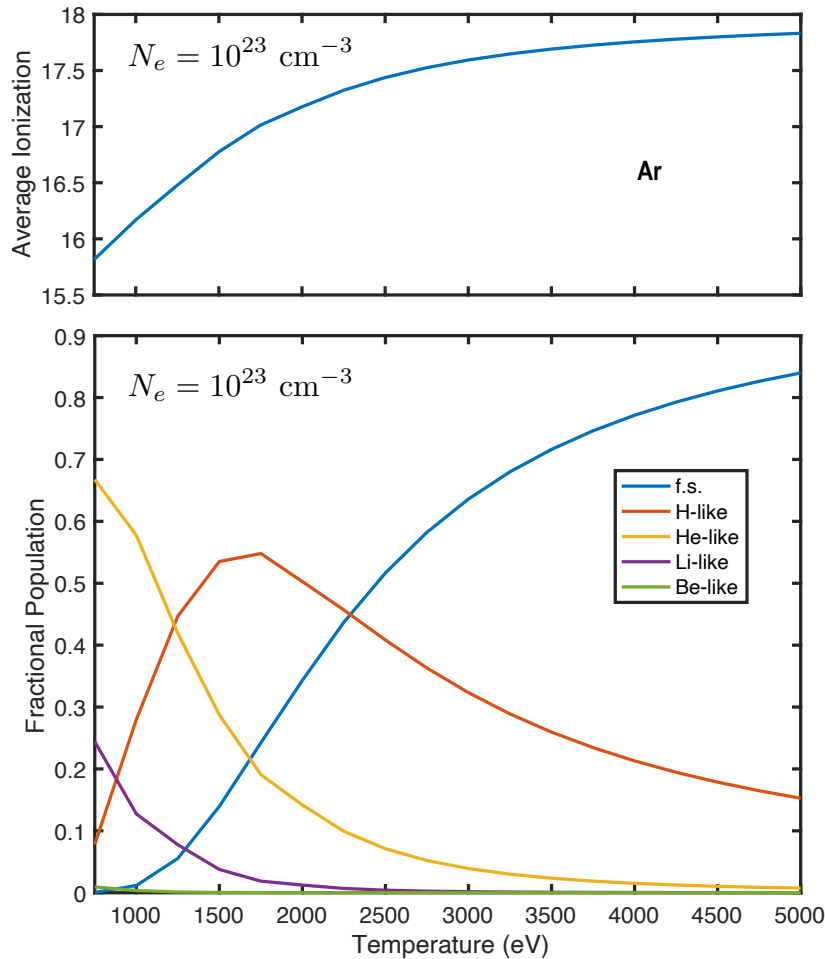


magnetized implosion



Improving the experiment: Ar & Kr doping

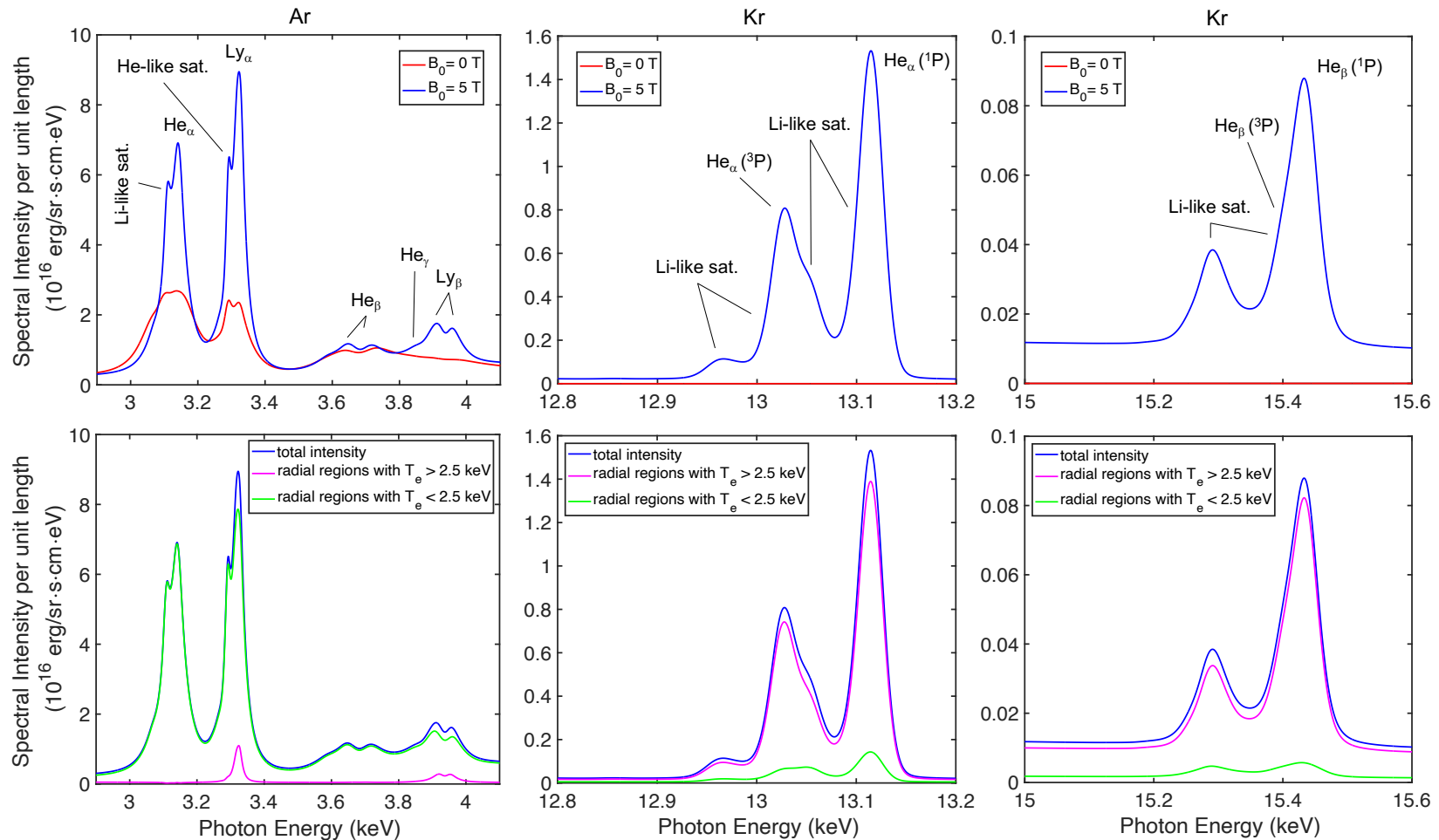
Study of temperature sensitivity



- Basic atomic-kinetics calculations provide information about dopant suitability depending on temperature.
- Ar K-shell spectroscopy (He-like and H-like) works for ~750-2500 eV.
- Kr K-shell spectroscopy (Li-like and H-like) seems appropriate for > 2500 eV.

LMJ cylindrical implosions: Ar & Kr doping

Modelling the Ar and Kr spectra



- Simultaneous use of Ar and Kr dopants has been proposed to study core conditions of magnetized cylindrical implosions at LMJ. Experiments are scheduled for 2024-2026. [18] G. Pérez-Callejo et al., Phys. Rev. E **106**, 035206 (2022)
- Kr acts like a temperature gauge. Simultaneous use of Ar and Kr results in an *effective spatial resolution*.

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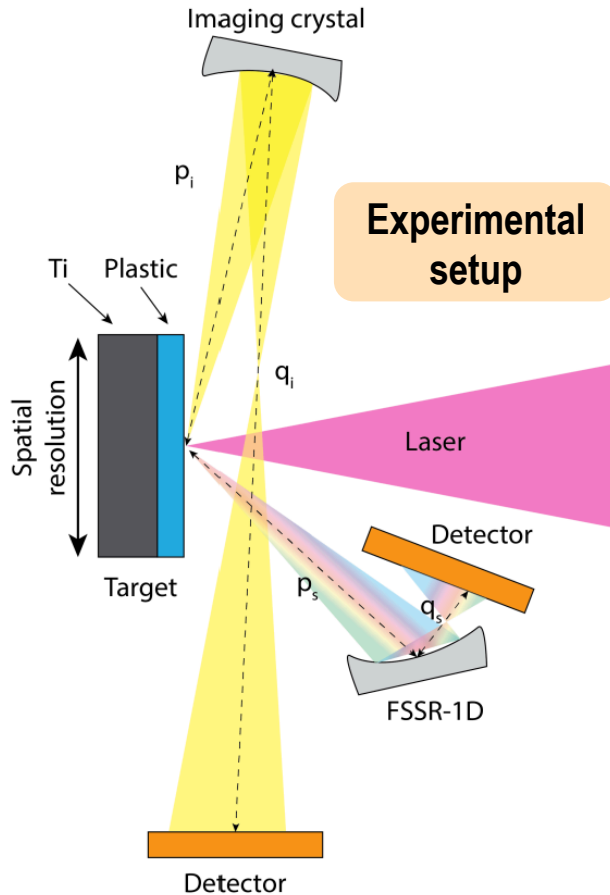
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Modeling K- α emission in shock-ignition relevant experiments

Modeling K- α emission in SI-relevant experiments

- Experiments performed in PALS for investigation of parametric instabilities were performed on PALS at intensities relevant to SI^[19].

[19] G. Cristoforetti *et al. Phys. Plasmas* 25, 012702 (2018)

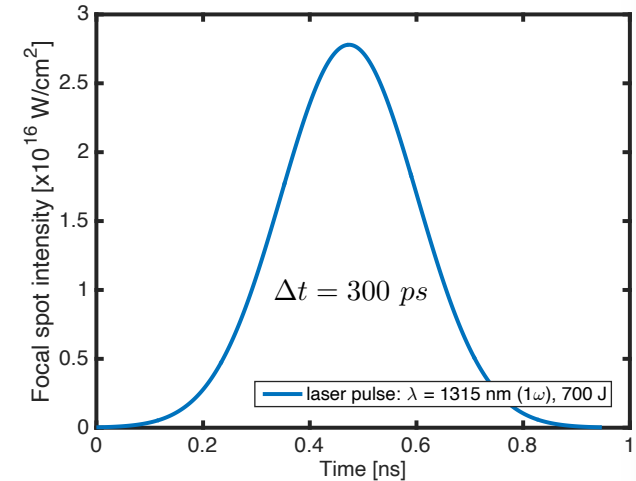


Laser pulse

$$\lambda = 1315 / 438 \text{ nm} \quad (1\omega/3\omega)$$

$$E = 600 - 730 / 100 - 250 \text{ J}$$

$$I = 3 \times 10^{16} / 1 \times 10^{16} \text{ W/cm}^2$$



Targets

- Ti foil (5 mm)
- plastic coating (different thickness)

Instruments

- FSSR-1D spectrometer
Spectral range: 4.4 - 4.8 keV
 $E/\Delta E = 5000$, $\Delta x = 11 \mu\text{m}$
- Imaging spectrometer

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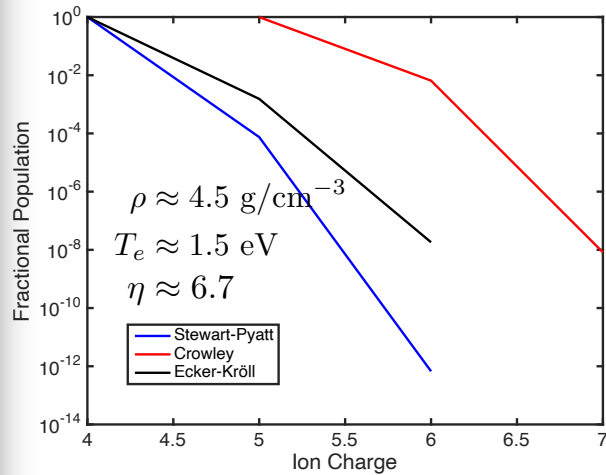
ABAKO improvements for this applications

- Appropriate selection of ions to be include in the CR calculation is done in an automatic fashion. Atomic data obtained from FAC.
- Spectrum formation is studied by post-processing of hydrodynamic simulations and performing the corresponding radiation transport. NLTE atomic-kinetics for both Ti and CH mixture has been explicitly solved. Calculations span over a wide range of plasma conditions.
- Continuum-lowering takes into account atomic mixture when appropriate.
- Special care to have a **consistent set of electronic configurations**, including those with **K-shell vacancies for proper K- α spectrum modeling** .
- **Hot-electron temperature and density spatial distributions are taken into account**. A two-maxwellian distribution is assumed to account for hot (SRS and TPD) electrons.
- Possibility of chossing between **three different CL models (EK, SP, Crowley^[20])** and introduced free (thermal) **electron degeneracy effects** on NLTE rate equations. [20] B. J. B. Crowley, HEDP 13, 84 (2014)

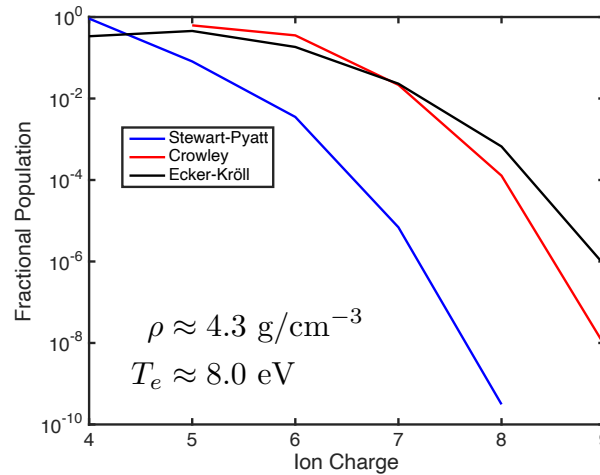
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Basic atomic kinetics: impact of CL model

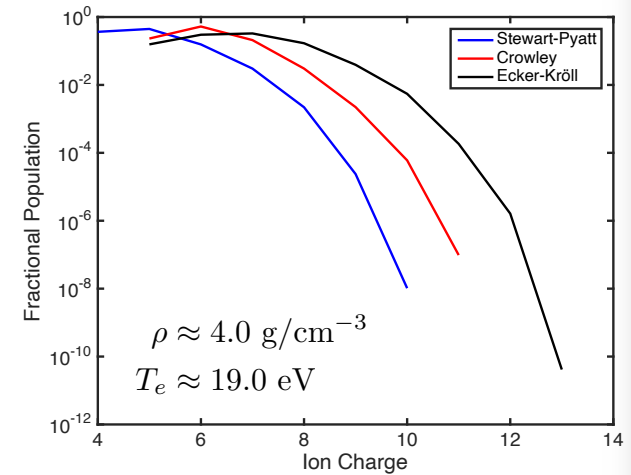
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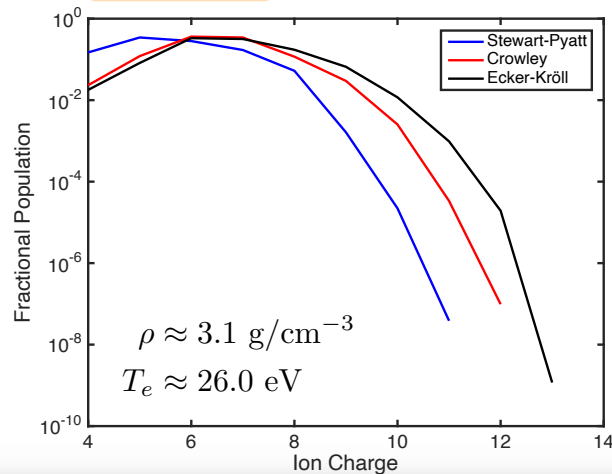
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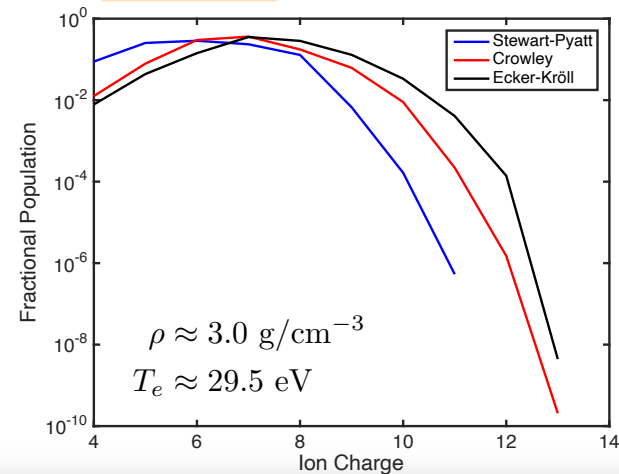
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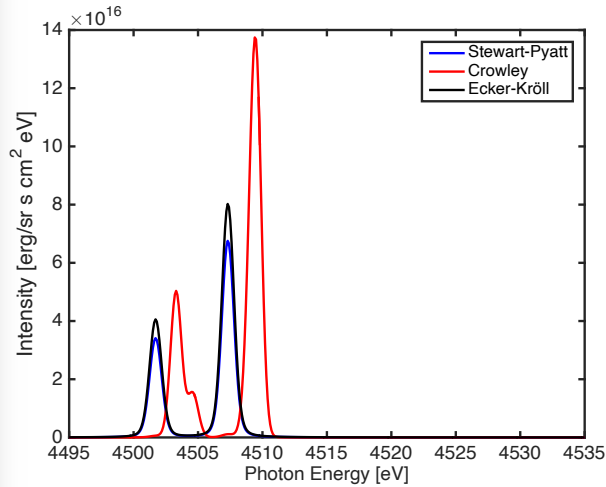
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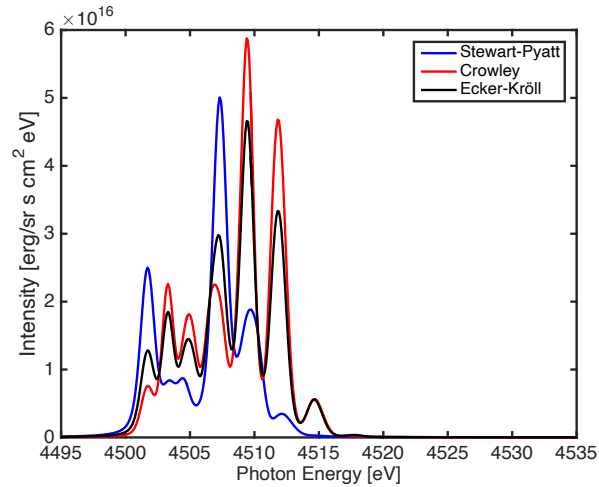
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K- α emission spectrum: impact of CL model

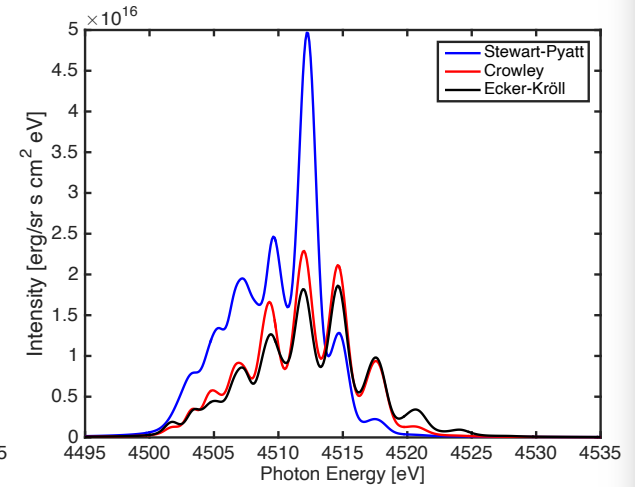
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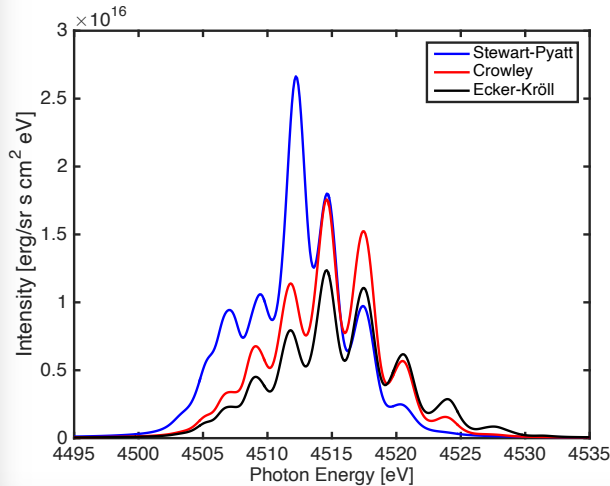
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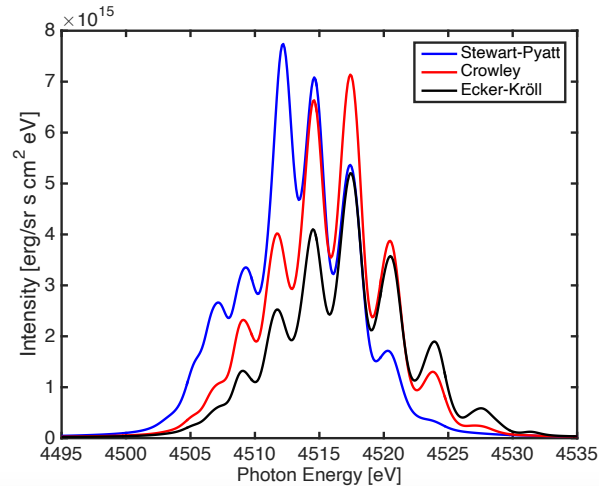
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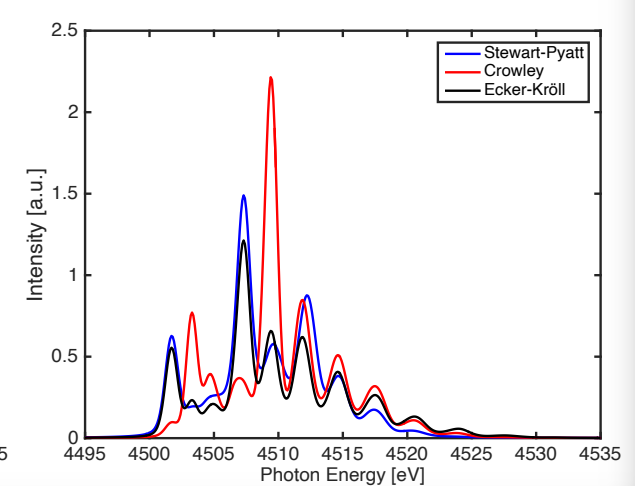
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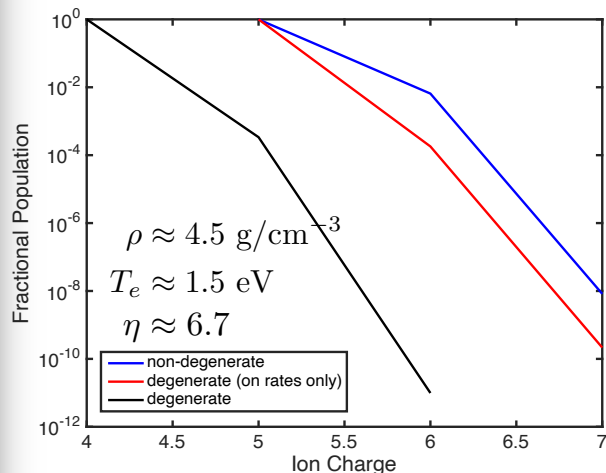
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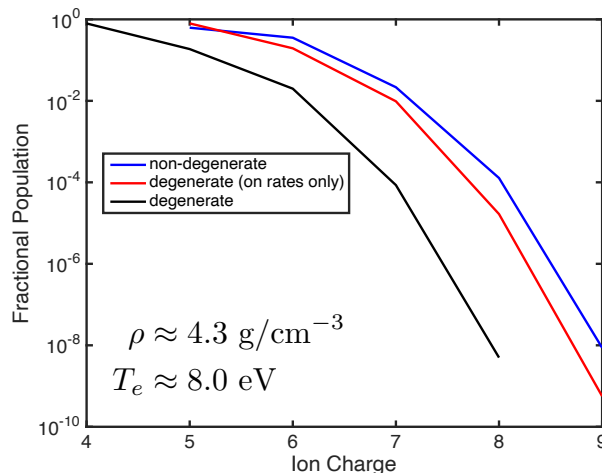
Application to PALS conditions: electron degeneracy

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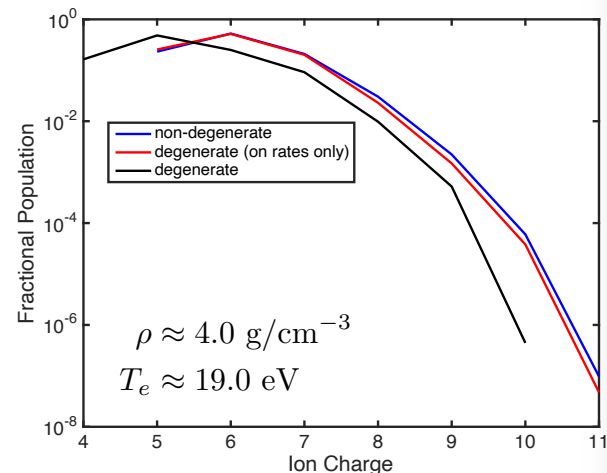
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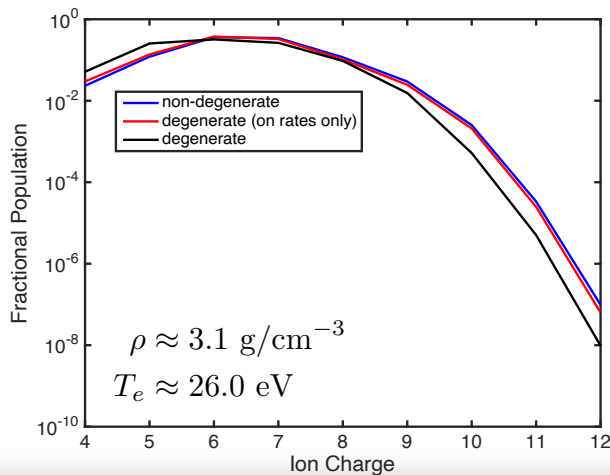
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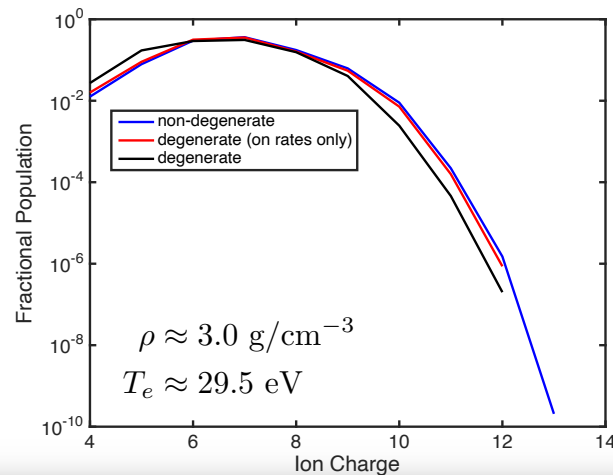
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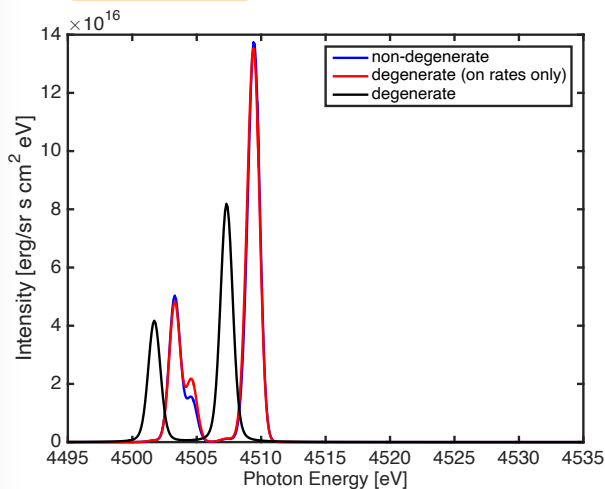
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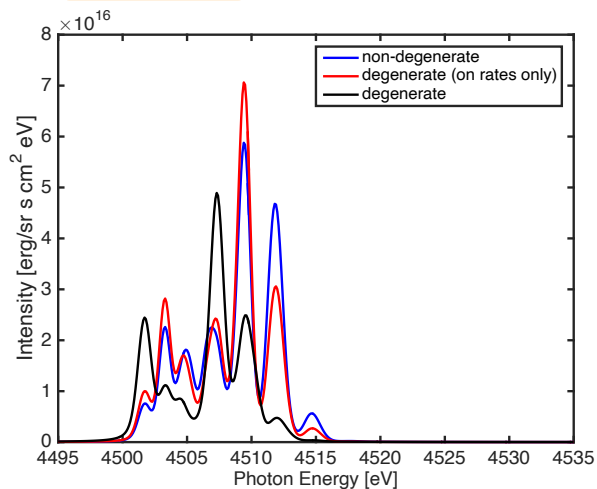
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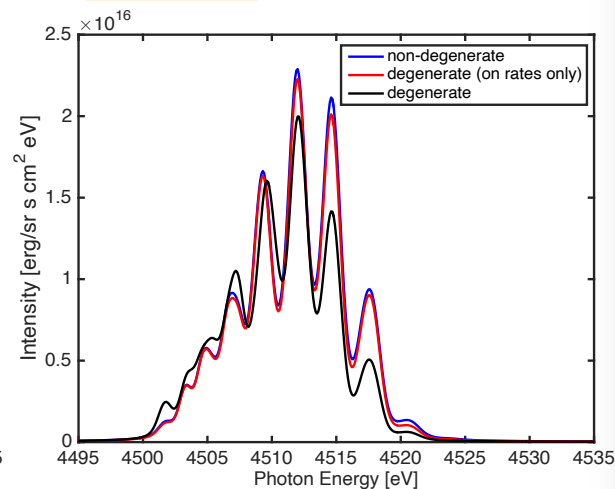
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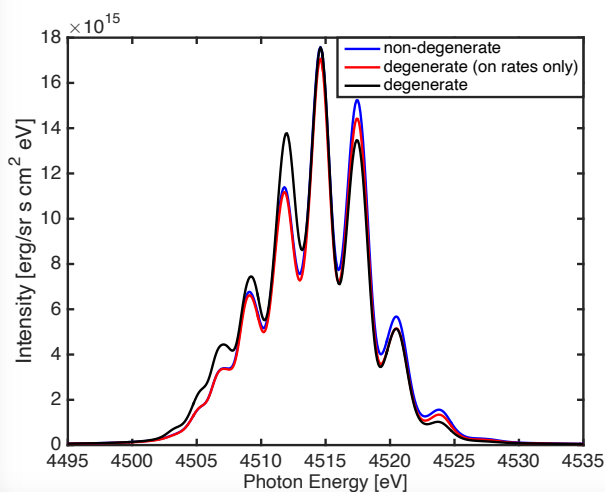
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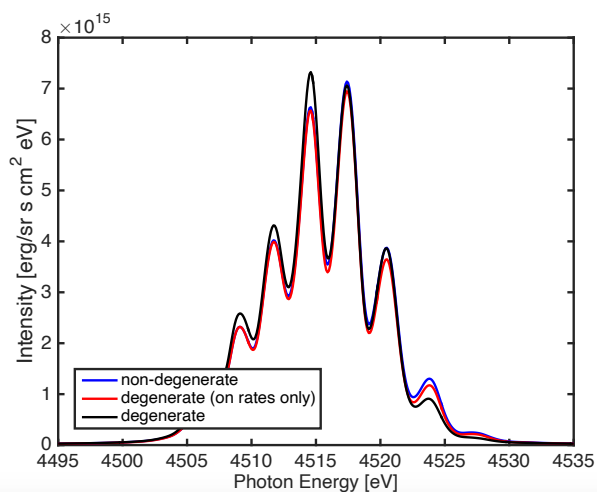
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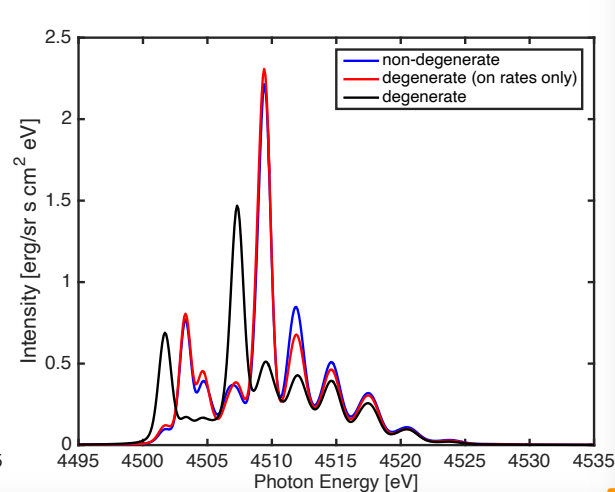
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