Fusion Reactor Technology 2 (459.761, 3 Credits)

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Introduction

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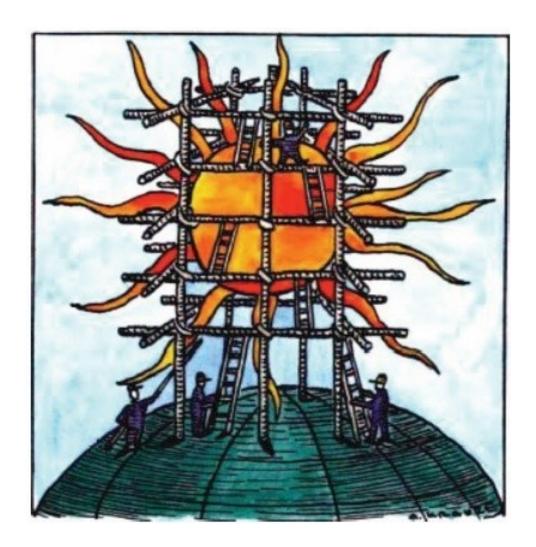
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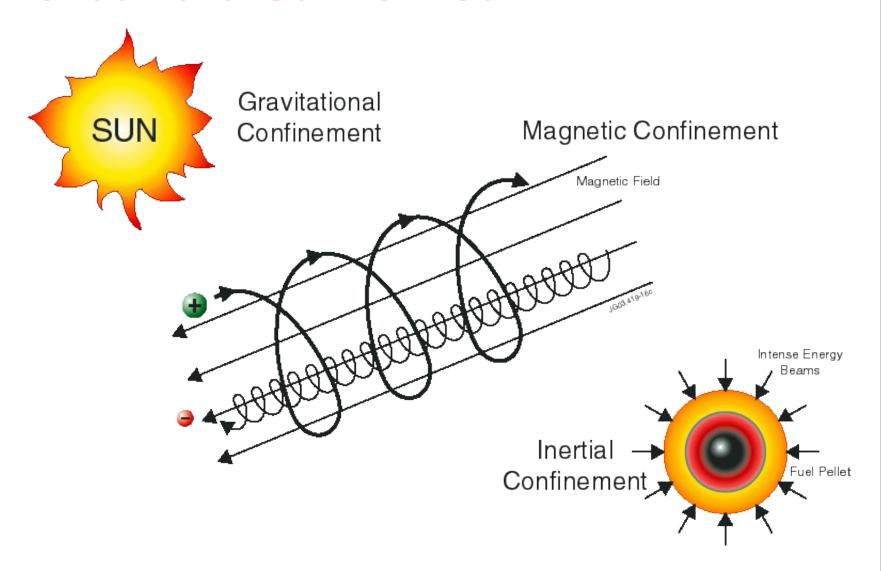
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- Homework: 10%
- Midterm exam: 40%
- Final exam: 40%

To build a sun on earth



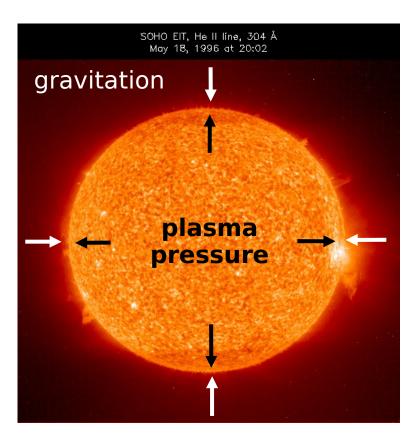
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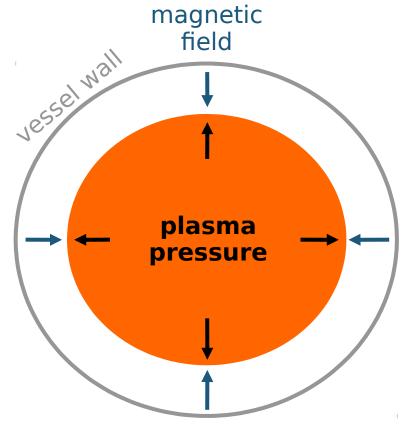
"To keep the ions from hitting the wall, some type of force is required that will act at a distance. A magnetic field seems to offer the only promise."

L. Spitzer, Jr.

Imitation of the Sun on Earth



Equilibrium in the sun

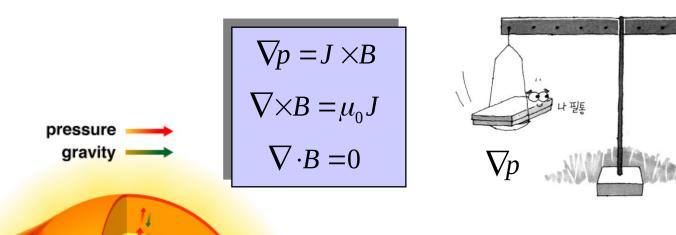


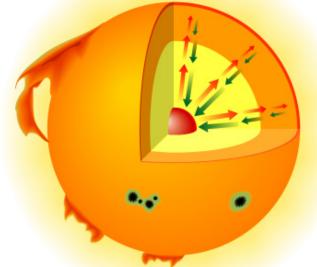
Plasma on earth much, much smaller & tiny mass!

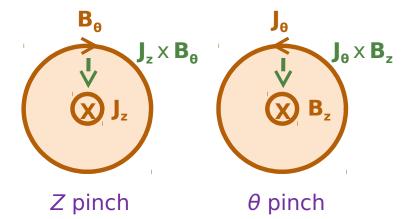
Bring the Sun on the Earth

Quantity	ITER	Sun	Ratio
Diameter	16.4 m	140x10 ⁴ km	~ 1/108
Central temp.	200 Mdeg	15 Mdeg	10
Central density	~10 ²⁰ /m ³	~10 ³² /m ³	~1/1012
Central press.	~5 atm	~10 ¹² atm	~1/1011
Power density	~0.6 MW/m ³	~0.3 W/m ³	~2x10 ⁶
Reaction	DT	pp	
Plasma mass	0.35 g	2x10 ³⁰ kg	1/6×10 ³³
Burn time const.	200 s	10 ¹⁰ years	1015

Radial Force Balance







 $J \times B$

Magnetic Confinement - History

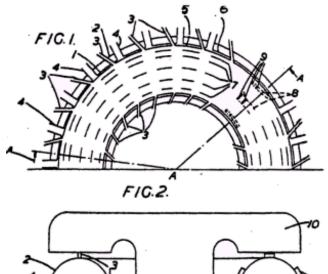


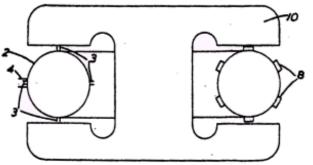
Inspecting the torus at John Jay Hopkins Laboratory's fusion research building are, from left to right:
Richard Courant, Hideki Yukawa, Marshall N. Rosenbluth, Marcus Oliphant, Niels Bohr, Edward C. Creutz, and Donald W. Kerst,
General Atomic, Division of General Dynamics Corporation Courtesy of AIP's Emilio Segrè Visual Archives

1946: Fusion Reactor Patent

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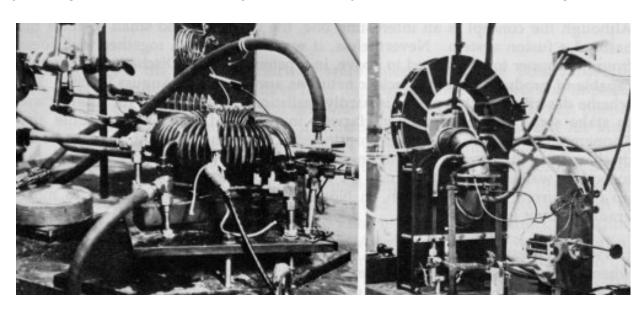


- Major radius R_o = 1.3 m
- Minor radius a = 0.3 m
- Plasma current 0.5 MA, created by 3 GHz radiofrequency waves
- G. P. Thompson and M. Blackman 1946 British Patent 817681

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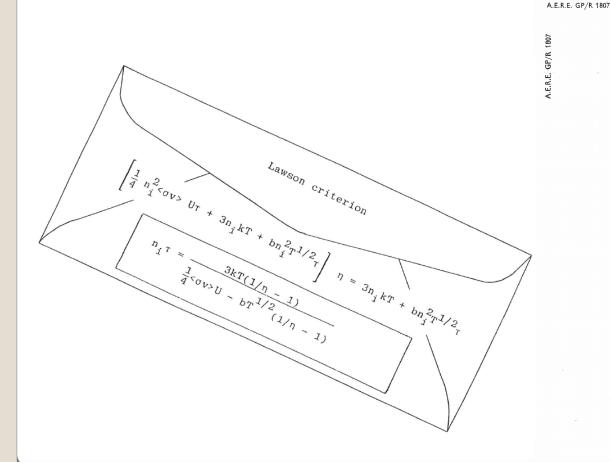


1946: the magnetic confinement devices tested by Thoneman (tori made of glass and metal), in the Clarendon laboratory (Oxford, United Kingdom)

1955: Lawson Criterion

Lawson Criterion

- Building a fusion reactor is a very challenging task.
- Simple criterion found by Lawson



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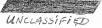


SOME CRITERIA FOR A USEFUL THERMONUCLEAR REACTOR

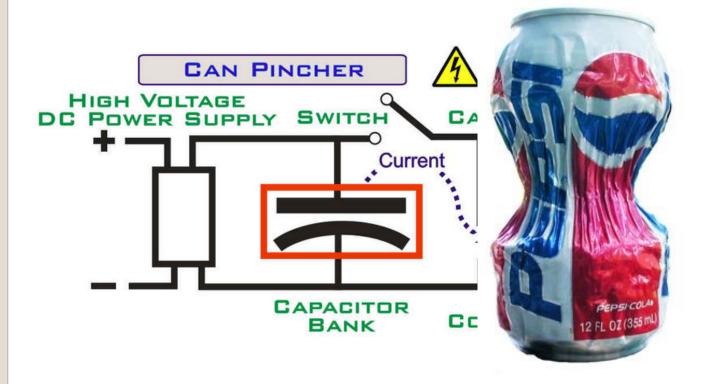
RESEARCH ESTABLISHMENT

by J. D. LAWSON

HARWELL, BERKS.



Pinches



A theta pinch capable of crushing an aluminium soft drink can

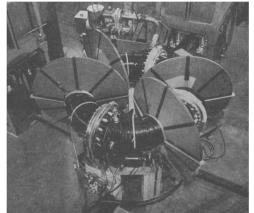
- Toroidal Pinches, e.g.
- Z-pinch: ZETA (Culham, UK), Perhapsatron S-3/S-4/S-5 (Los Alamos, USA), ...
- Confinement properties and reactor prospects disappointing



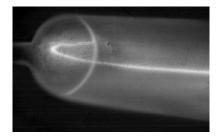
"Zero Energy" refers to the aim of producing copious numbers of fusion reactions, but releasing no net energy.



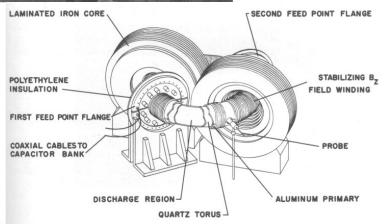
ZETA (Zero Energy Thermonuclear Assembly) (1954-58, UK)



Perhapsatron (1952-1961, USA)

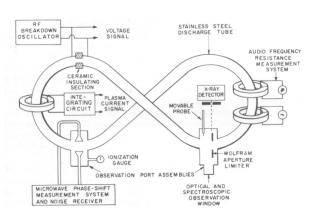


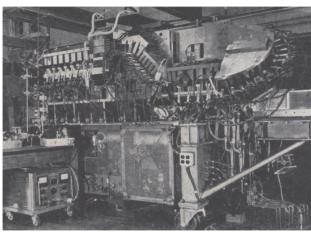
Xenon pinched discharge



- Stellarators, e.g.
- C-Stellarator (Spitzer, Princeton, USA later converted into the ST tokamak), Sirius (USSR), Initial Wendelsteins (IPP-Garching),
- Initial results very disappointing





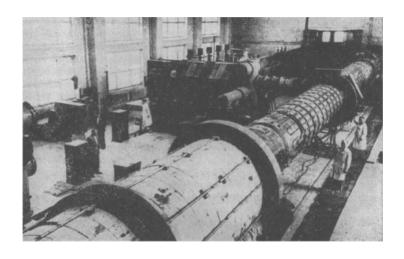


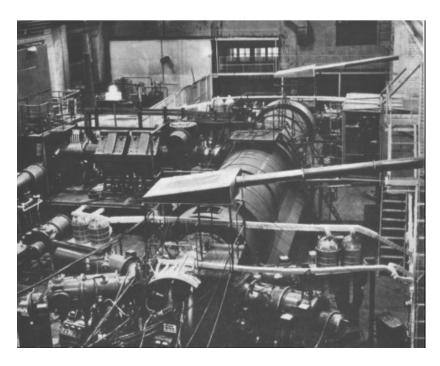
The Model B-3 stellarator (the last figure-8 stellarator) (USA)

Mattherhorn project (1951, USA)

Mirror Machines, e.g.

- USSR: OGRA fitted with loffe's magnetic wells (Institute of Physics of Moscow) France: DECA I, II, III (later withdrawn) and MMII (CEA) USA: Table Top and Toy Top, MFTF-B (abandoned) (Livermore)

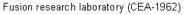




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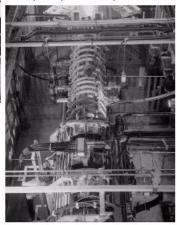
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Capel B (CEA - 1966)



Fundamental Difficulties

- Several instabilities discovered reducing confinement: Kink instabilities, flute instabilities, ...
- M. D. Kruskal and Schwarzchild "Some Instabilities of a Completely Ionized Plasma" 1954 Proc. R. Soc. Lond. A 223 348
 - M. N. Rosenbluth and C. L. Longmire "Stability of Plasmas Confined by Magnetic Fields", Ann. Phys. **1** 120 (1957)
- Most toroidal machines followed the so-called Bohm scaling for the confinement time:

$$au \propto rac{BR^2}{T}$$

Very low confinement times predicted by this formula (for JET this would predict $10-40~\mu s$)

- Need for better machine configurations

1958

- By mid-1958 nuclear fusion research had been virtually freed from all security restrictions, in the UK, the USA and the USSR.

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PRODUCTION OF HIGH TEMPERATURES AND NUCLEAR REACTIONS IN A GAS DISCHARGE

By Dr. P. C. THONEMANN, E. P. BUTT, R. CARRUTHERS, Dr. A. N. DELLIS, D. W. FRY, Dr. A. GIBSON, G. N. HARDING, D. J. LEES, R. W. P. McWHIRTER, R. S. PEASE, Dr. S. A. RAMSDEN and S. WARD

Atomic Energy Research Establishment, Harwell

Conclusion

These preliminary results demonstrate that it is possible to produce a stable highly ionized plasma isolated from the walls of a toroidal tube. Hydrogen gas has been maintained in a state of virtually complete ionization with a particle density lying between 10¹⁸ and 10¹⁴ per cm.⁸, for times of milliseconds. The mean energy of the ions in the plasma is certainly of the order of 300 eV., and there are many indications that the electron temperature is of the same order. The containment time and the

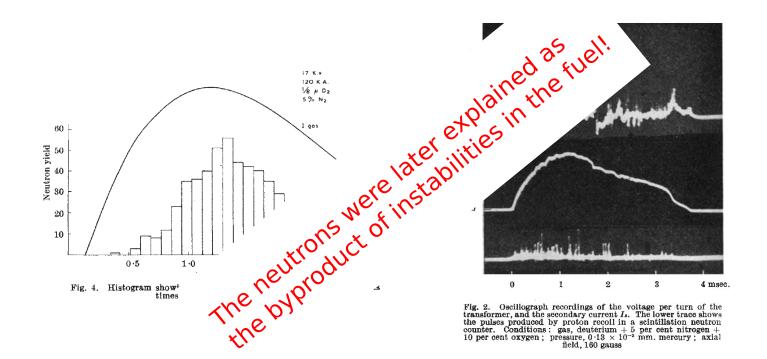
high electrical conductivity are both adequate for the detailed study of magnetohydrodynamical processes.

To identify a thermonuclear process it is necessary to show that random collisions in the gas between deuterium ions are responsible for the nuclear reactions. In principle, this can be done by calculating the velocity distribution of the reacting deuterium ions from an exact determination of both the energy and direction of emission of the neutrons. The neutron flux so far obtained is insufficient to attain the desired accuracy of measurement.

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- September 1958 "Atoms for Peace" (IAEA, Geneva)
 - 1957 Eisenhower's UN speech
 - IAEA established in 1957



"to make of the atom a peaceful servant of humanity, I shortly shall ask the Congress to authorize full United States participation in the International Atomic Energy Agency."

Dwight D. Eisenhower 1957

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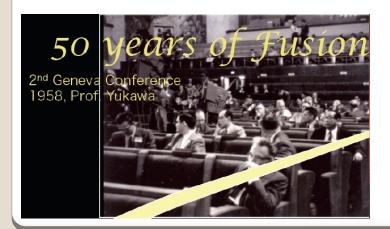
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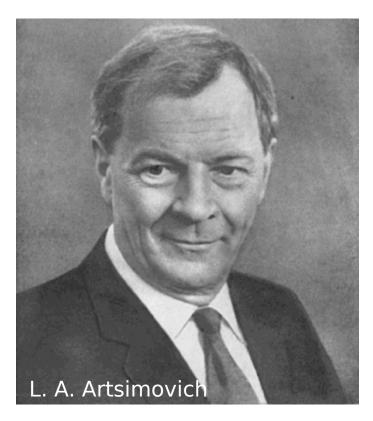


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"Plasma physics is very difficult.
Worldwide collaboration needed for progress."



"Fusion technology is very complex. It is almost impossible to build a fusion reactor in this century."

1968: A Turning Point for Fusion Physics Emergence of the Tokamak

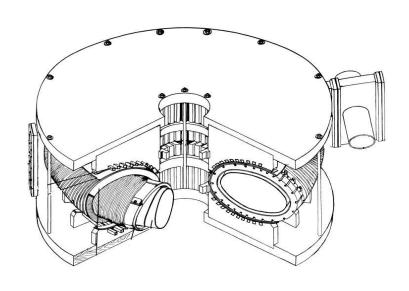


Diagram of the Kurchatov Institute's T1 tokamak in Moscow

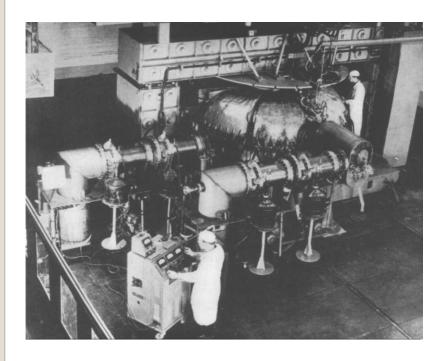


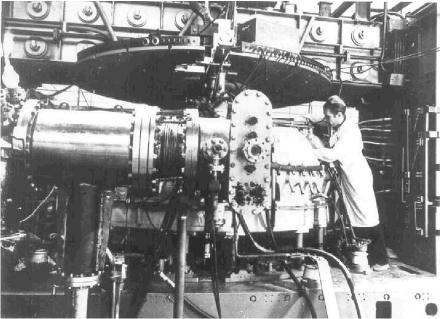
IAEA Novosibirsk (August 1968) T3 reaches 1 keV

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Tokamak T-3 (USSR)

1968: A Turning Point for Fusion Physics **Emergence of the Tokamak**

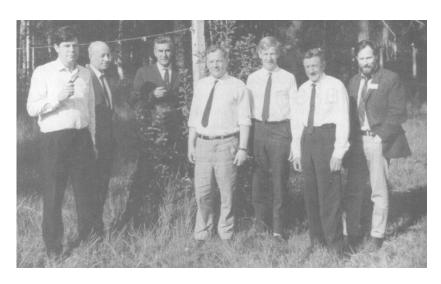
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- Confirmed by 1969 Culham mission to Moscow



A group of Soviet and British scientists during the Novosibirsk conference (1968) (Reprinted from Nature, Vol. 224, No. 5218, pp. 488-490, November 1, 1969)

Measurement of the Electron Temperature by Thomson Scattering in Tokamak T3

Electron temperatures of 100 eV up to 1 keV and densities in the range $l-3 \times 10^{13}$ cm⁻³ have been measured by Thomson scattering on Tokamak T3. These results agree with those obtained by other techniques where direct comparison has been possible

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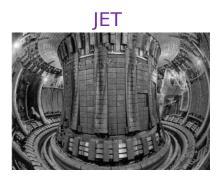
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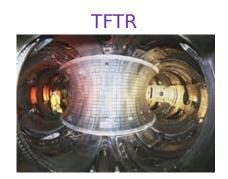
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1969- Success of Tokamak

Tokamaks

- Showing much better confinement than all other configurations
- T-3 (Kurchatov Institute, USSR):
 - First device with temperatures in the keV range Confinement time (70 ms) more than 30 times higher than predicted by Bohm scaling
- 1969: General redirection towards the tokamak ('Tokamakitis')
- Diagnostic development on smaller devices
- Data acquisition, feedback, and heating techniques had become available.
- It appeared then that a large device could and had to be build to make further progress: JET, TFTR, JT-60U

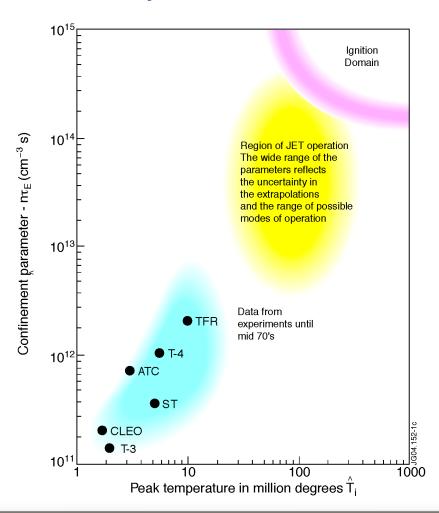






1969- Success of Tokamak

- Lawson Diagram in mid 1970 s
- Parameter domain foreseen for JET



1969- Success of Tokamak

JET

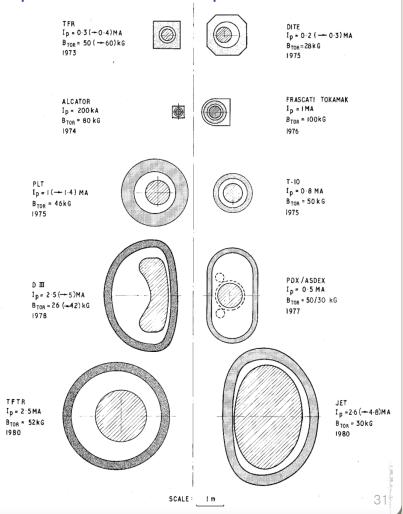
- Much larger plasma compared to existing or planned tokamak plasma

at that time

- D-shaped plasma



Design Phase of JET (1973-1975)



1991- DT Operation

- First D-T experiments: JET (Nov. 1991)

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Le Congestler Technique



22nd November, 1991

Cher Monsieur,

Monsieur le Président a été très sensible à votre lettre du 15 novembre 1991 lui annonçant la réussite de la première fusion thermonucléaire obtenue avec la machine JET que vous dirigez. Il me demande de vous transmettre ses félicitations pour vous et l'ensemble du personnel impliqué dans ce beau succès.

Je profite de cette lettre pour vous adresser tous mes voeux personnels pour la nouvelle année et pour vous dire que je ne désespère pas de trouver un créneau dans mon emploi du temps pour visiter vos installations.

Veuillez agréer, cher Monsieur, l'expression de mes sentiments les meilleurs.

Jean AUDOUZE

Jean MUDOUZE

Dear Dr. Rebut,

I am commanded by The Queen to thank you for your letter of 15th November. Her Majesty remembers with pleasure her visit to the Joint European Torus in April 1984 and appreciated your thoughtfulness in letting her know of the controlled experiment which took place recently at your headquarters which produced a quantity of fusion power. The Queen sends her congratulations and best wishes to you and all members of your team.

Yours sincerely,

(KENNETH SCOTT)

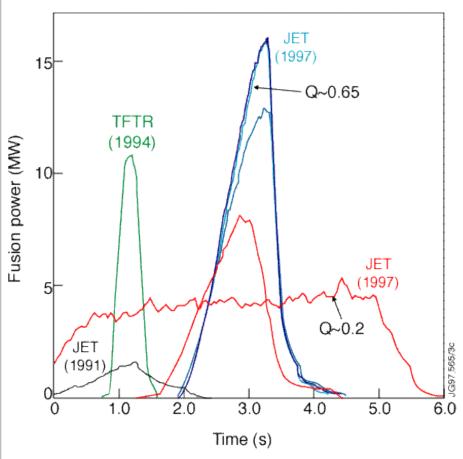
Dr. P-H Rebut.

Monsieur Paul-Henri REBUT JET Joint Undertaking ABINGDON Oxfordshire OX14 3EA ANGLETERRE

- Congratulations from HRH (Her Royal Highness) Queen Elisabeth II and President Mitterand for pioneering and successful D-T experiments

1991- DT Operation

- First D-T experiments: JET (Nov. 1991)



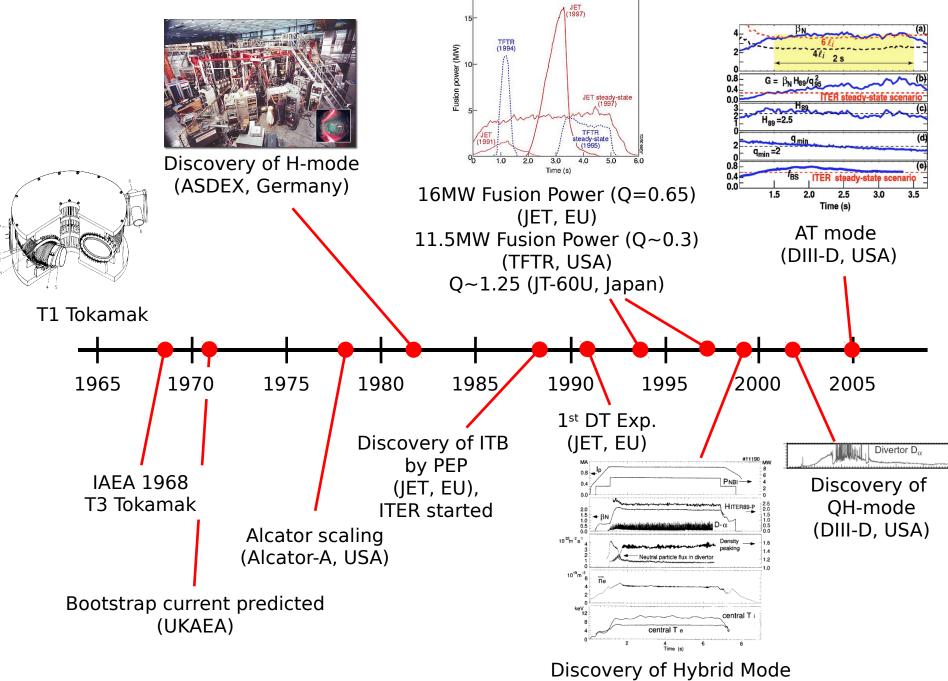
JET 1991 (EU): 1.7 MW

First controlled DT fusion
experiments on earth

TFTR 1994 (US): 11.5 MW

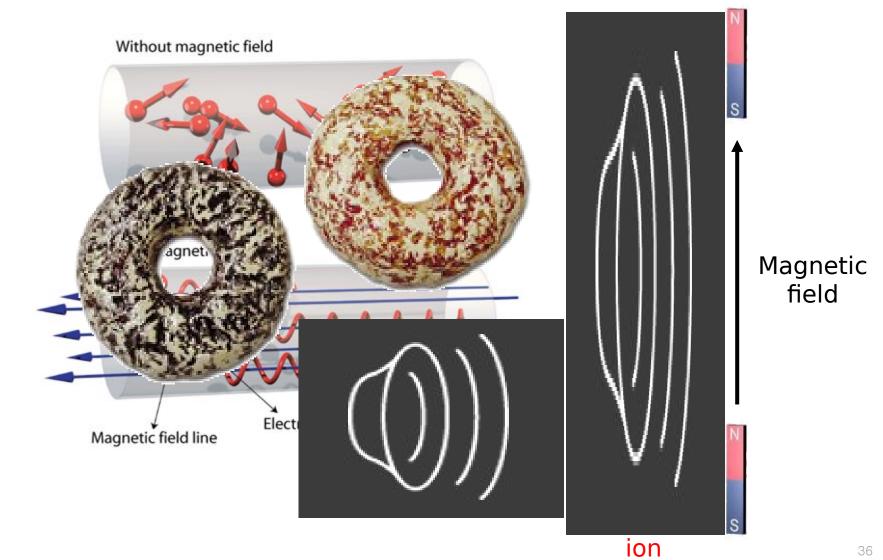
JET 1997 (EU): 16 MW
energy amplification $Q \sim 0.65$ Alpha particle heating
clearly observed
consistent with theory

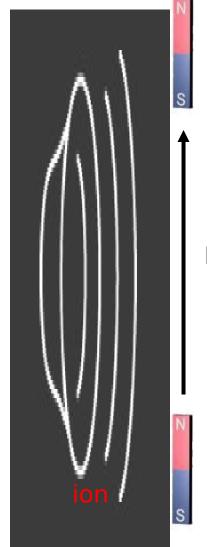




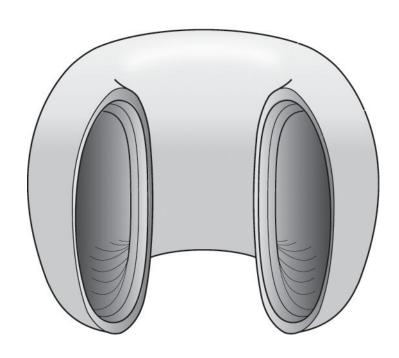
(ASDEX Upgrade, Germany)

Open Magnetic Systems

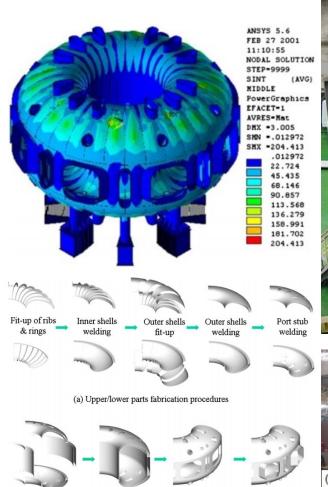




Magnetic field



Donut-shaped vacuum vessel



Middle part

port opening

(b) Quadrant fabrication procedure

Middle part

port stub welding

Upper/middle/lower Overall welding

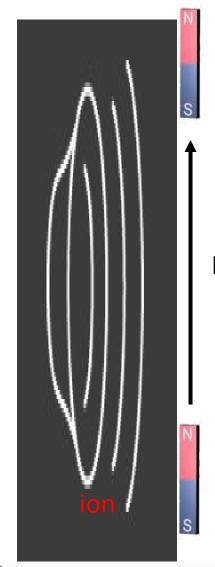
parts fit-up



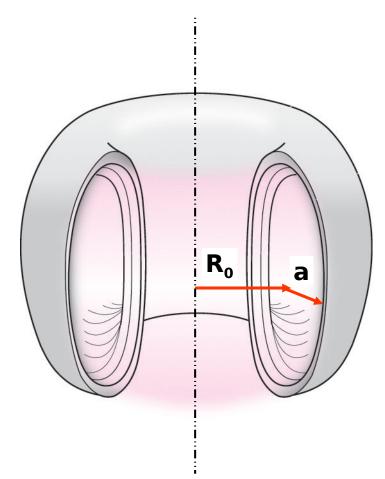




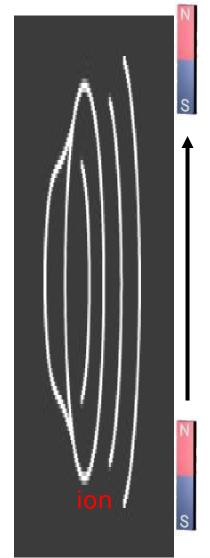




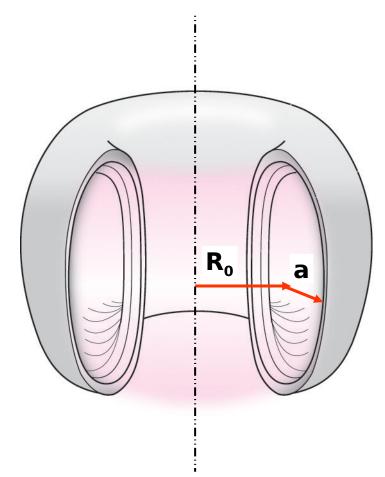
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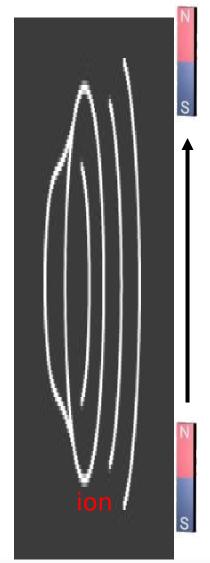
Plasma needs to be confined $R_0 = 1.8 \text{ m}, a = 0.5 \text{ m}$ in KSTAR



Magnetic field

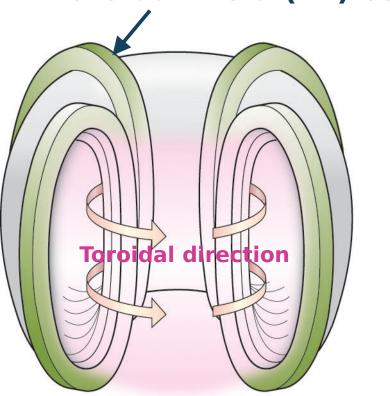


Plasma needs to be confined $R_0 = 6.2 \text{ m}$, a = 2.0 m in ITER



Magnetic field

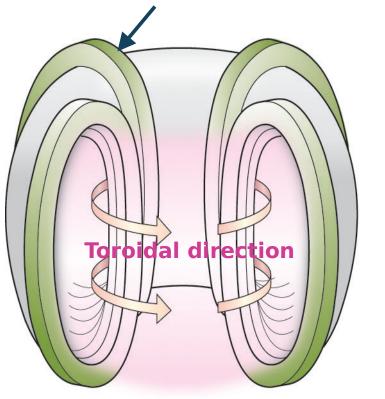
Toroidal Field (TF) coil



Applying toroidal magnetic field 3.5 T in KSTAR, 5.3 T in ITER

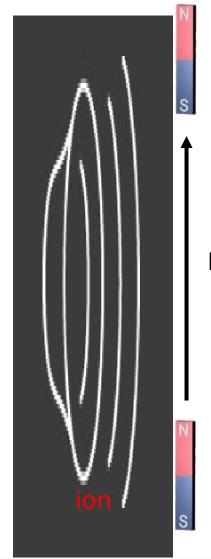


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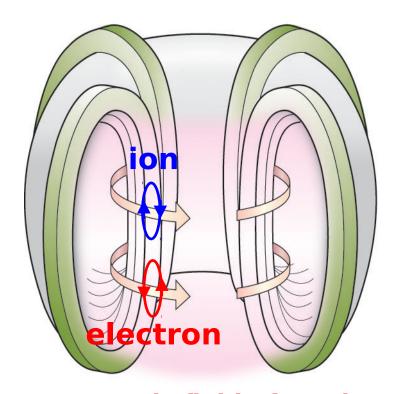


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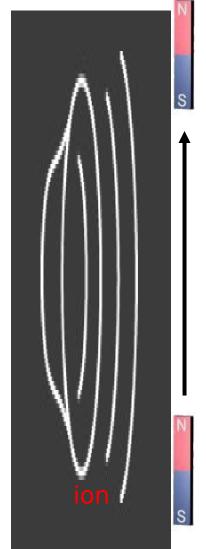


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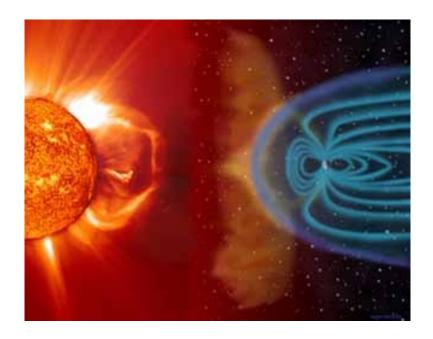


Magnetic field of earth?

0.5 Gauss = 0.00005 T

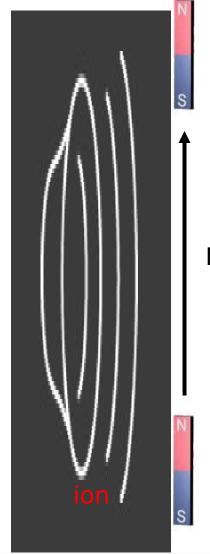


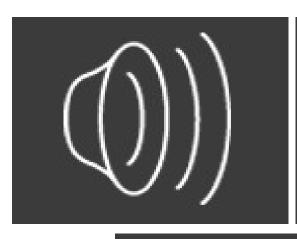
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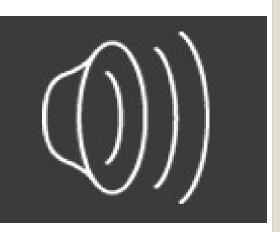


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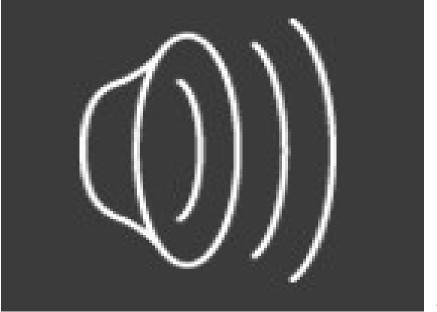
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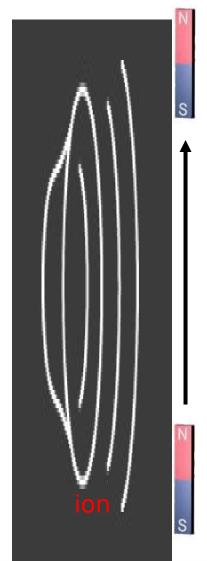




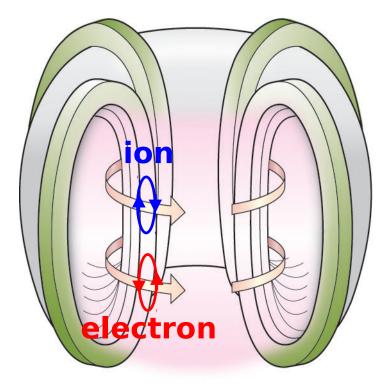


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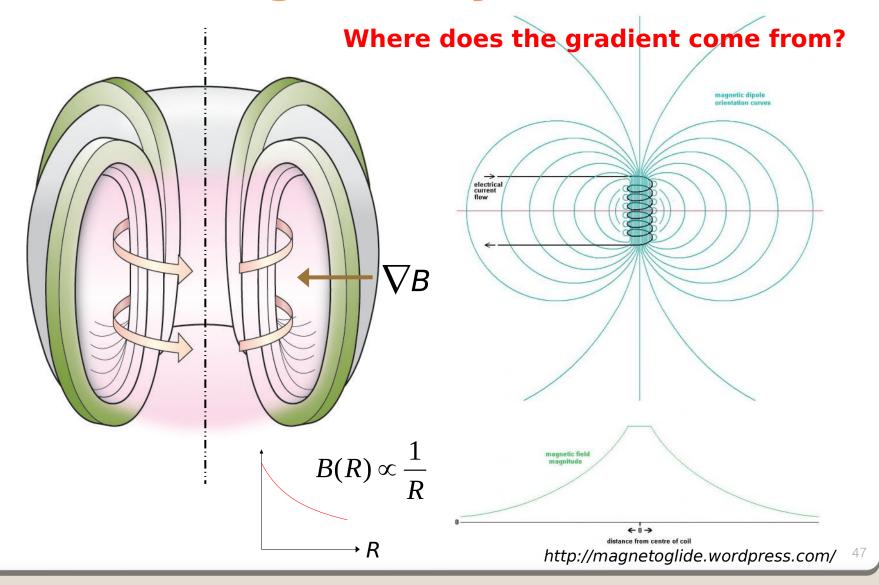
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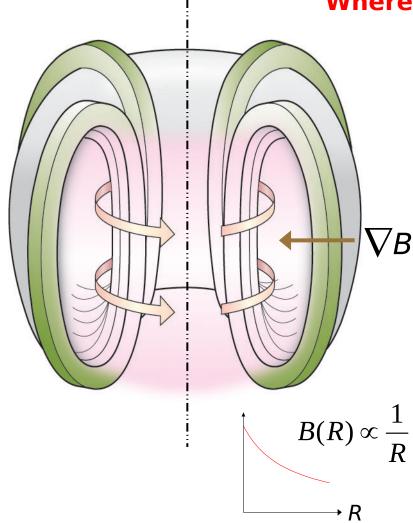
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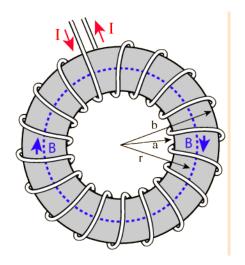
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What kind of drift motions?





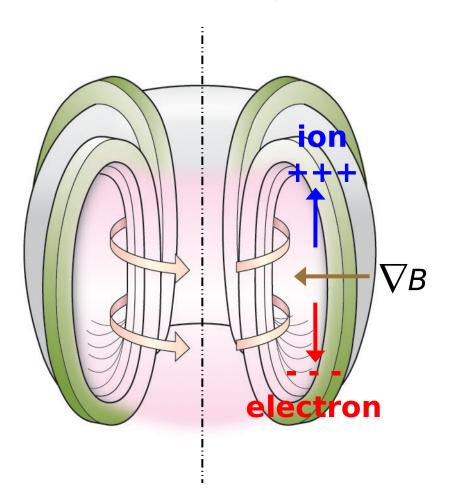




$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mathbf{J}$$

$$\mathfrak{G} \mathbf{B}_{\phi} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = \mu_0 N I_c$$

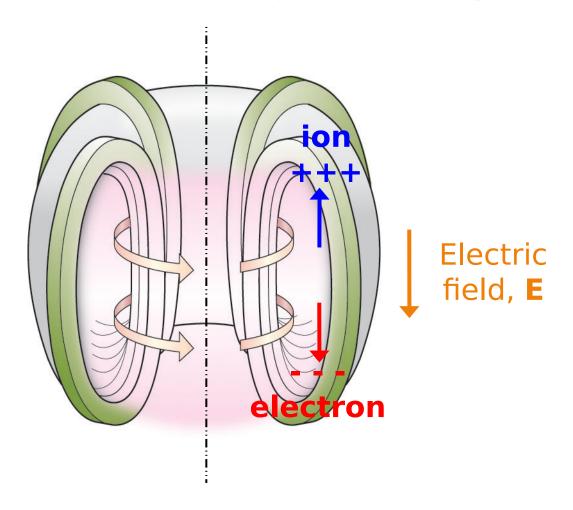
$$B_{\phi}(R) = \frac{\mu_0 N I_c}{2\pi R}$$

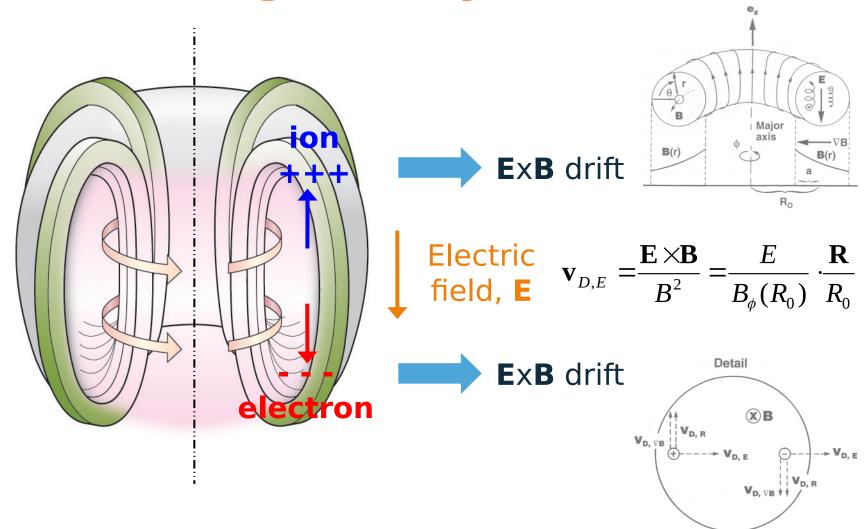


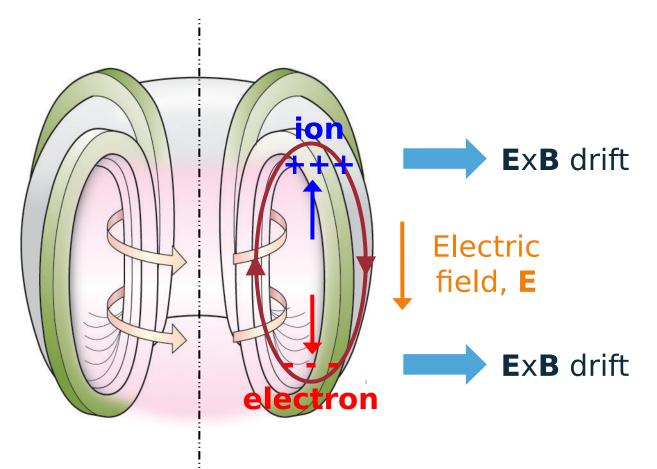
$$\mathbf{v}_{D,R} = \frac{m v_{\parallel}^2}{q B_0^2} \frac{\mathbf{R}_0 \times \mathbf{B}_0}{R^2}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{D,\nabla B} = \pm \frac{1}{2} v_{\perp} r_{L} \frac{\mathbf{B} \times \nabla B}{B^{2}}$$
$$= \frac{m v_{\perp}^{2}}{2qB} \frac{\mathbf{B} \times \nabla B}{B^{2}}$$

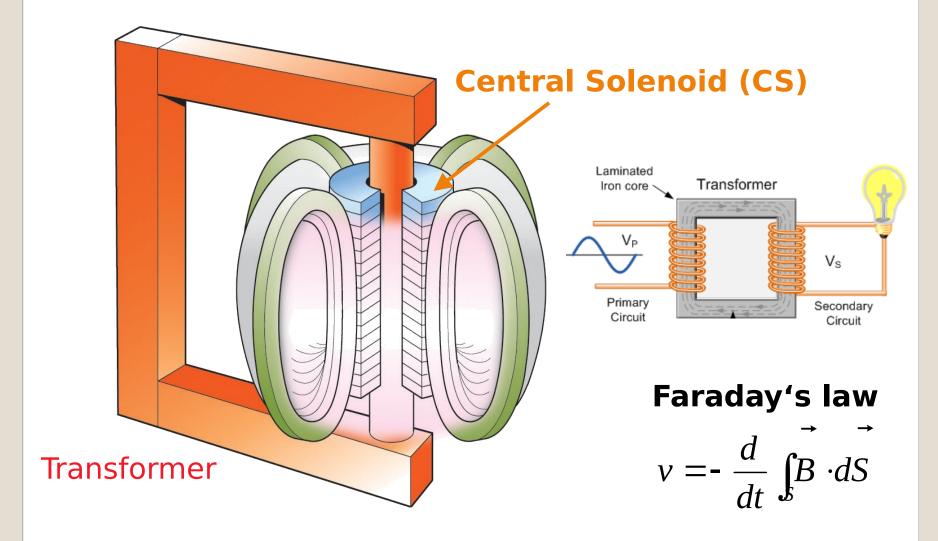
$$\mathbf{v}_{D} = \frac{m}{q} \frac{1}{R_{0}B_{\phi}(R_{0})} \left[v_{\parallel}^{2} + \frac{v_{\perp}^{2}}{2} \right] \mathbf{e}_{Z}$$

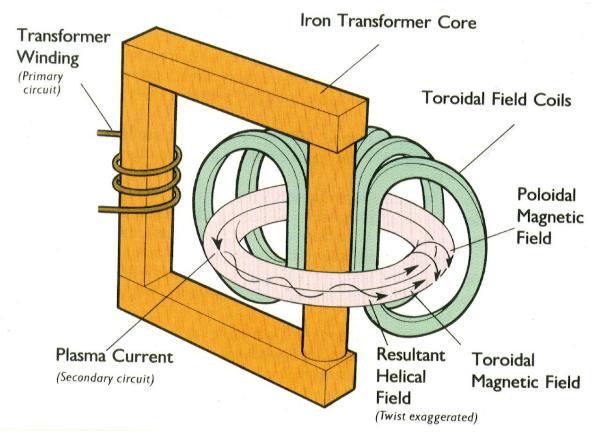


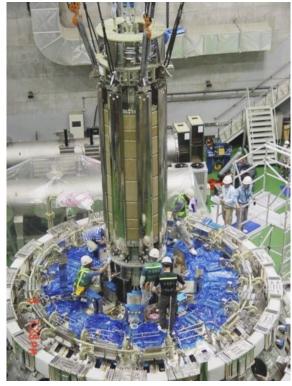




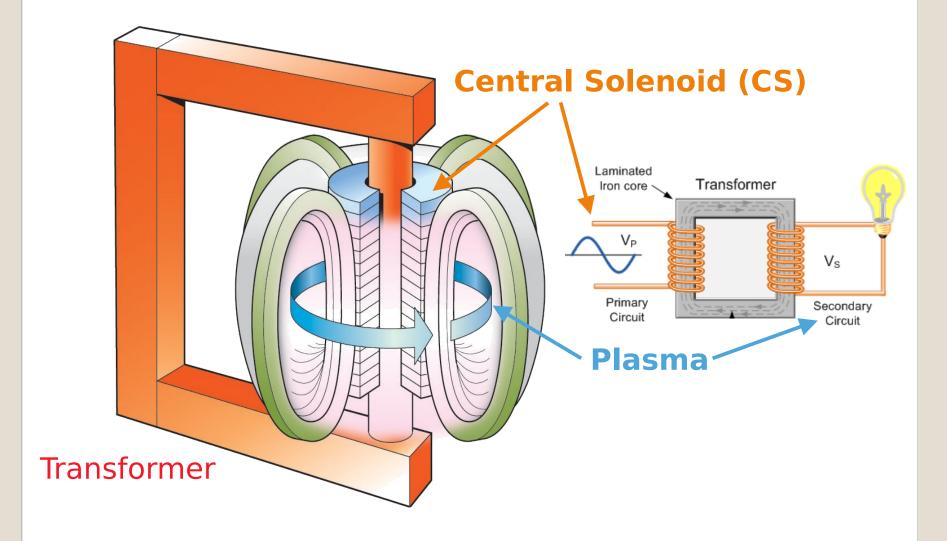
Poloidal magnetic field required How to drive plasma current?

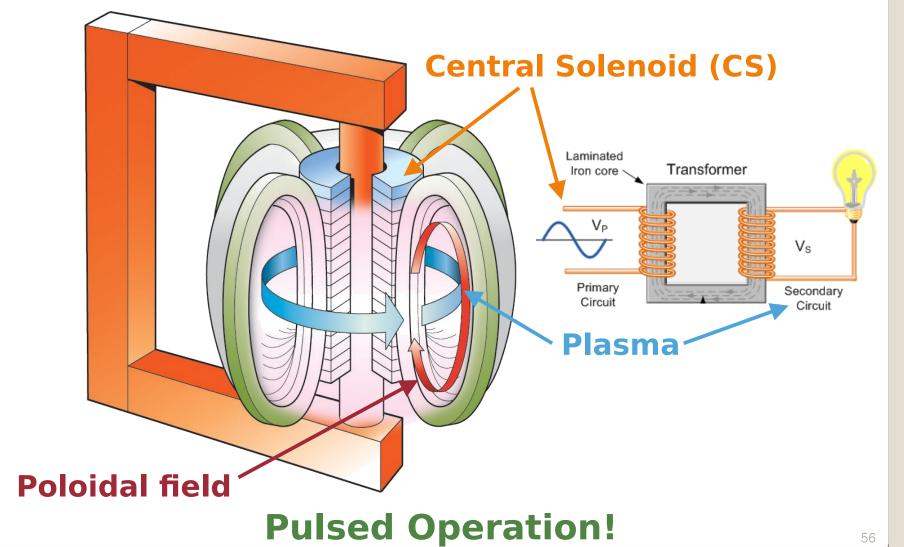




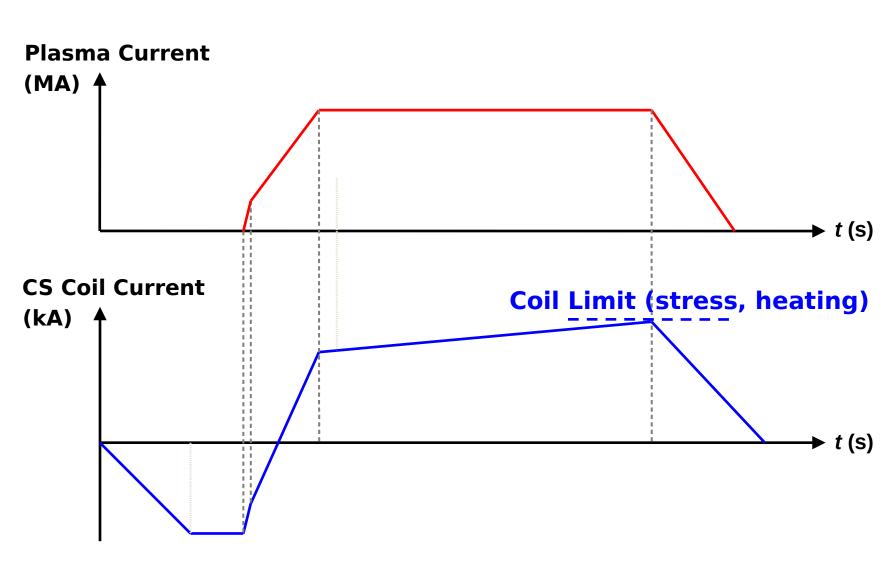




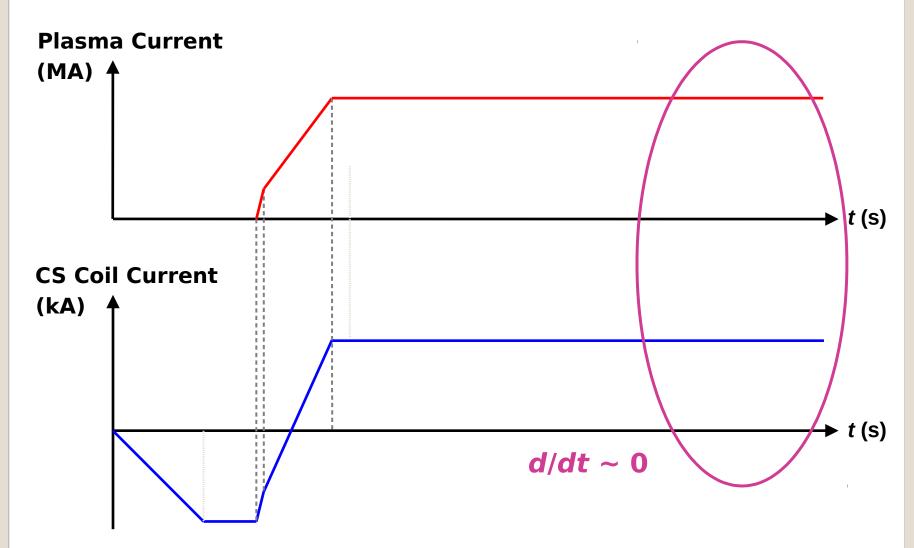




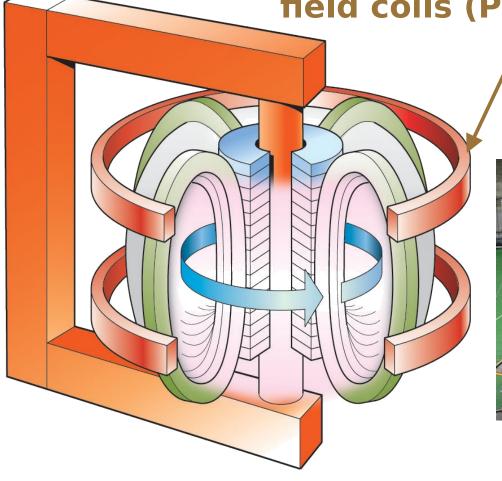




Steady-State Operation

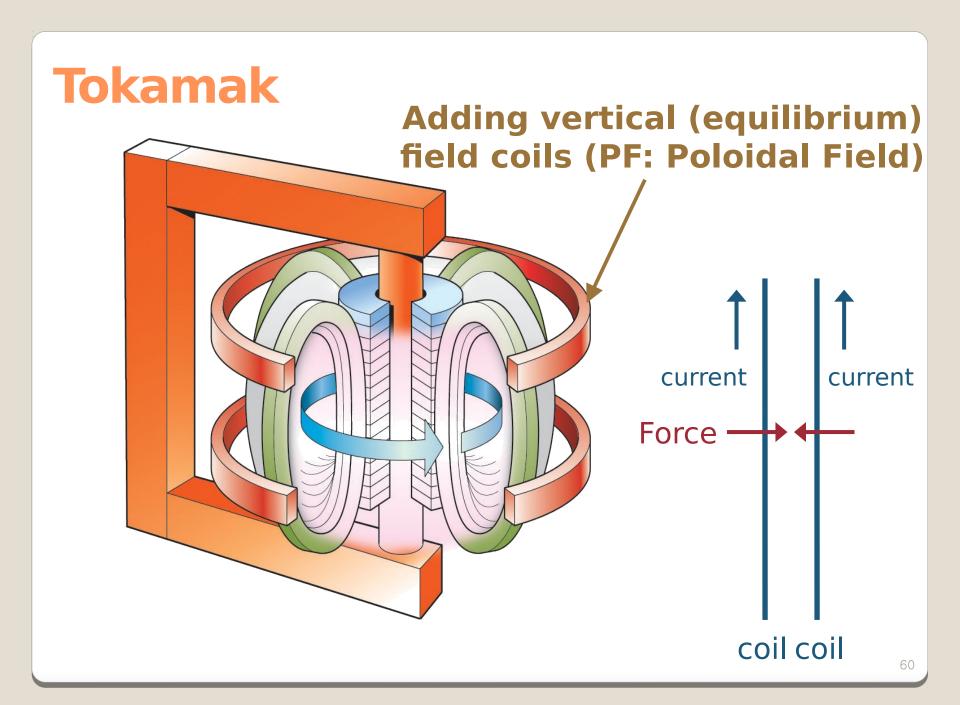


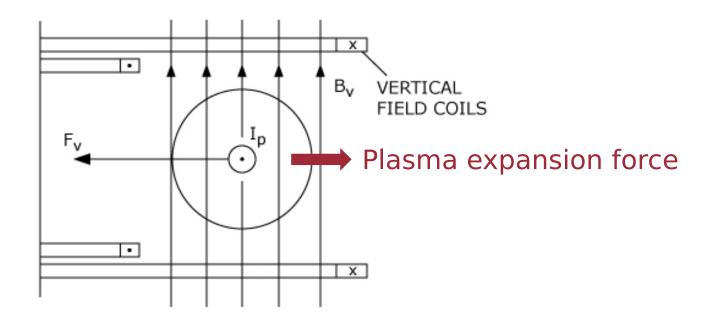
Adding vertical (equilibrium) field coils (PF: Poloidal Field)



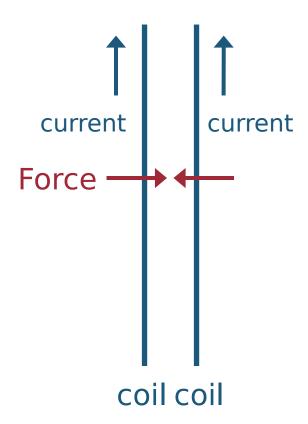


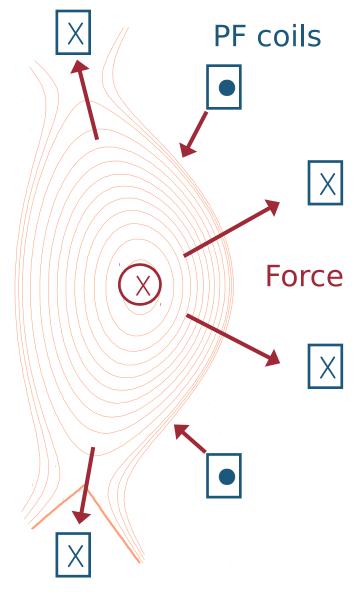
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Force balance by vertical field coils: Plasma positioning

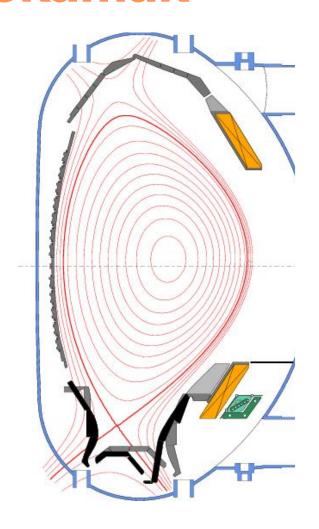


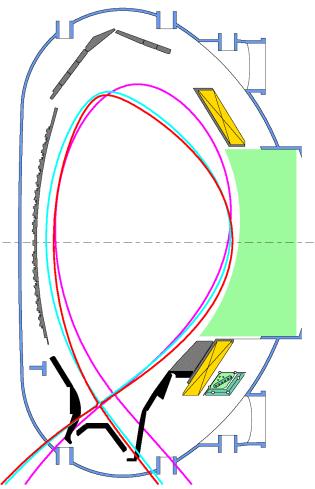


Plasma shaping by PF coils





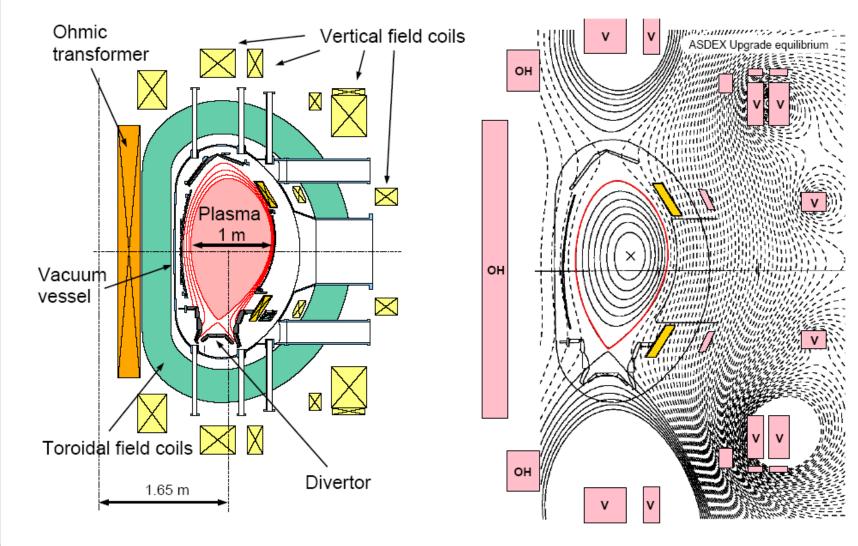




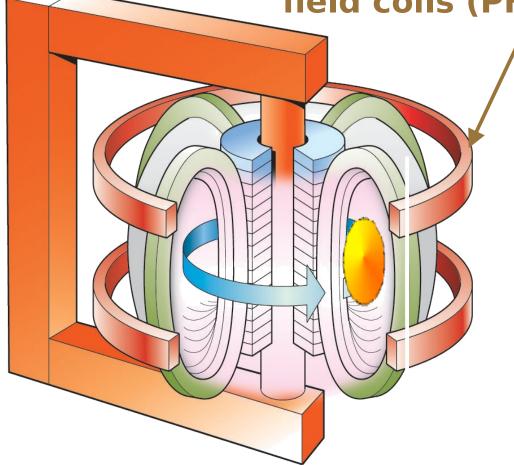
• The plasma shape can be modified by PF coil currents.





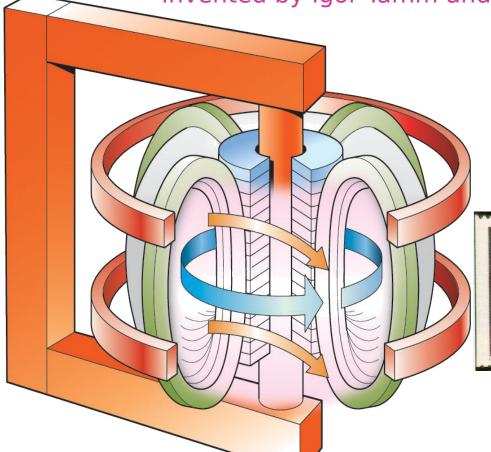


Adding vertical (equilibrium) field coils (PF: Poloidal Field)



Plasma positioning & shaping by PF coils 65

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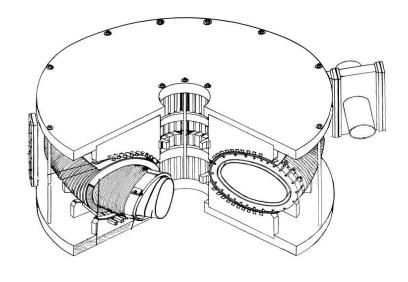






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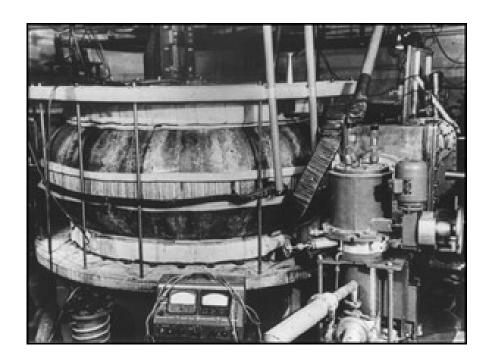


Cutaway of the Toroidal Chamber in Artsimovitch's Paper Research on Controlled Nuclear Fusion in the USSR



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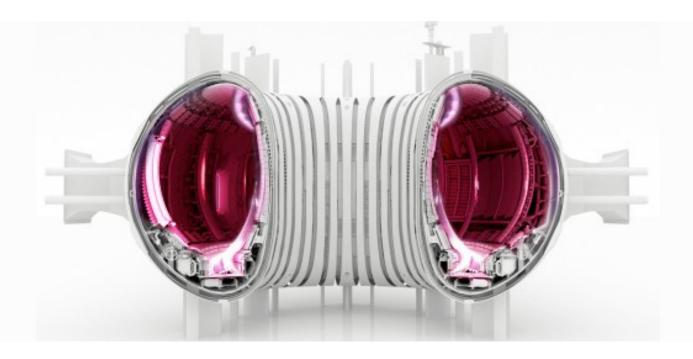
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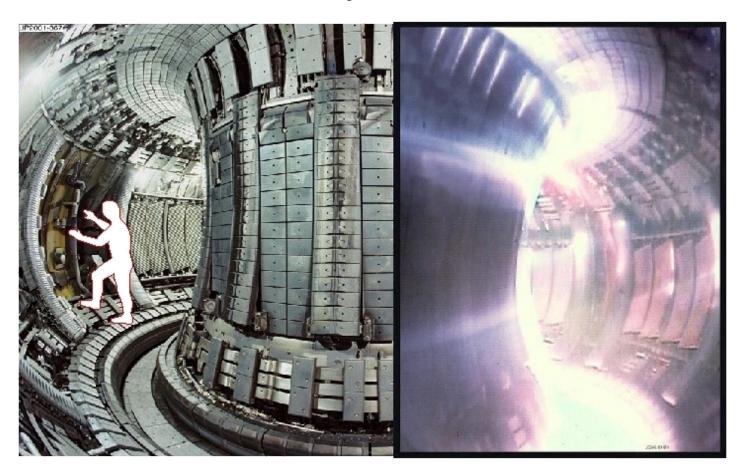
T1: The world's first tokamak, Kurchatov Institute, Moscow Russia

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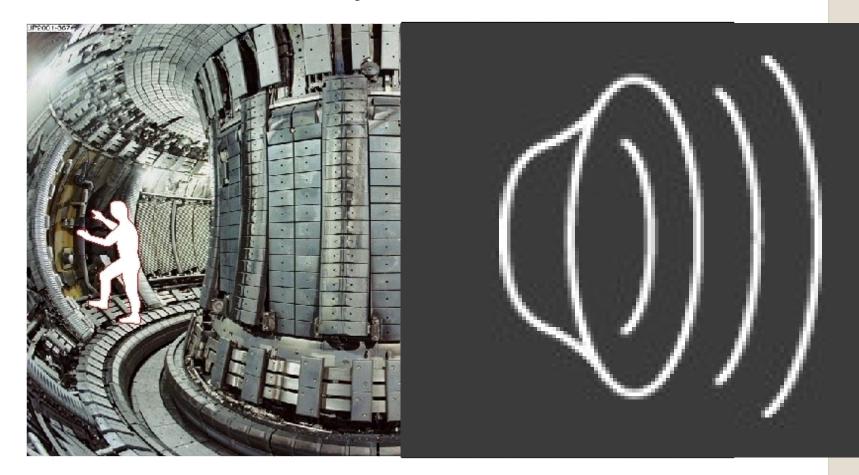
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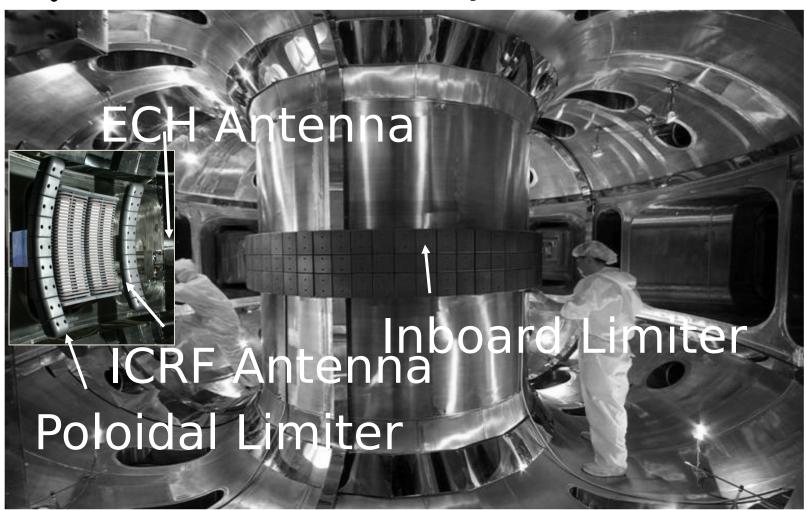
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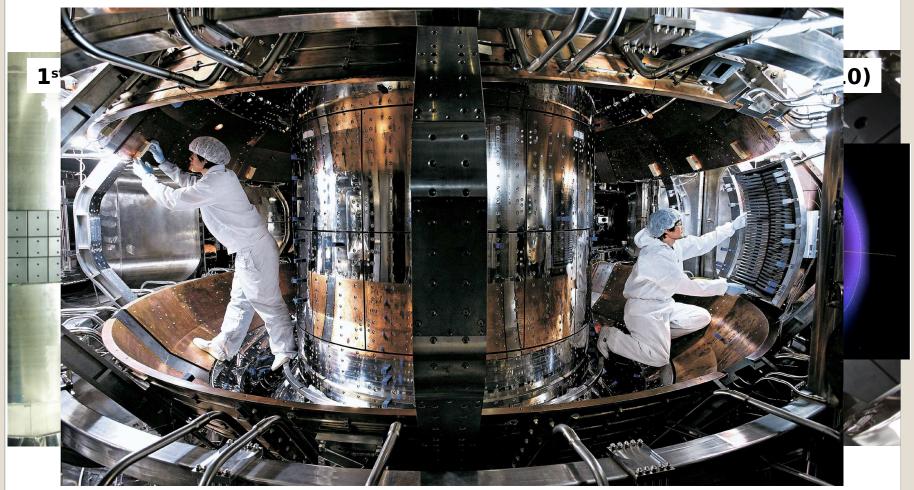


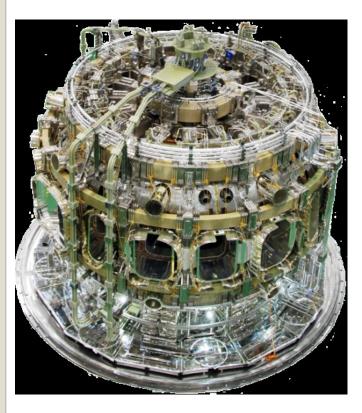
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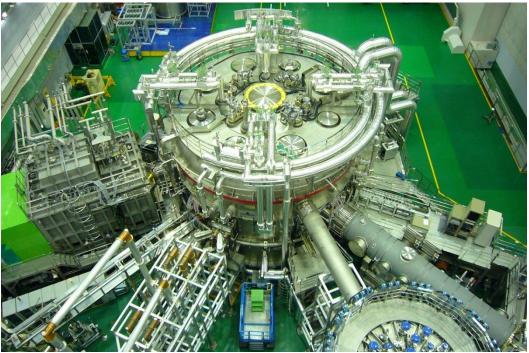


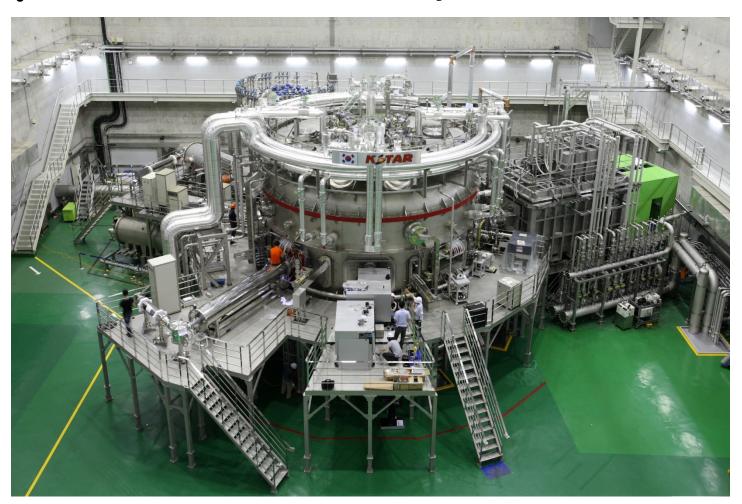






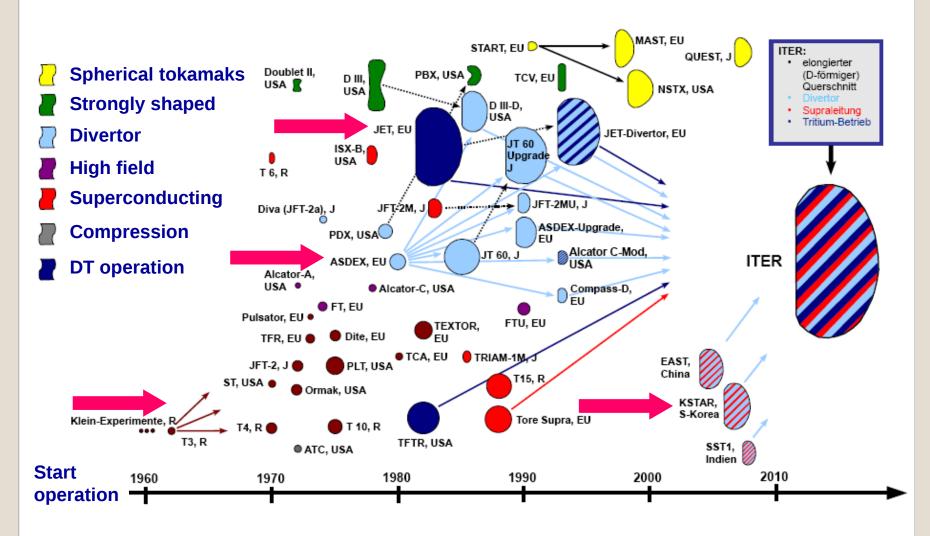






KSTAR (Korea Superconducting Tokamak Advanced Research): $R_0 = 1.8 \text{ m}, a = 0.5 \text{ m}, 2008\text{-today}$

KSTAR 1st plasma



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