

Introduction to the SULI One Week Course and to Plasma Physics

2019 SULI One Week Course



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First, a bit about myself

- From Bogotá, Colombia
- Started studying physics at the National University of Colombia at Bogota.
- Transferred to University of Texas at Austin where I finished undergrad (HOOK'EM HORNS!)



- Did my graduate work at MIT, in Boston on **fusion plasmas** (GO BEAVERS!)



- Now I'm at the Princeton Plasma Physics Lab (GO TIGERS!)



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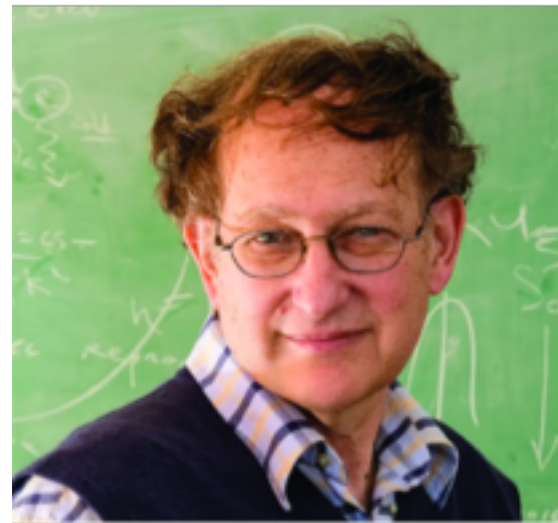
- Science Undergraduate Laboratory Internship Program (SULI). This is a DOE sponsored undergraduate internship.
- Of the SULI students, some are staying at PPPL and some are going to General Atomics (GA) in San Diego.
- Community College Interns (CCI), also a DOE run program.
- Princeton Environmental Institute (PEI) internship program.
- Princeton University Tokyo Exchange Program (PUTEP)
- Alabama EPSCoR
- Engineering Apprenticeship
- High School interns, independent interns, and visitors (some PPPL staff/students?)

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WELCOME!!

| The SULI One Week Course

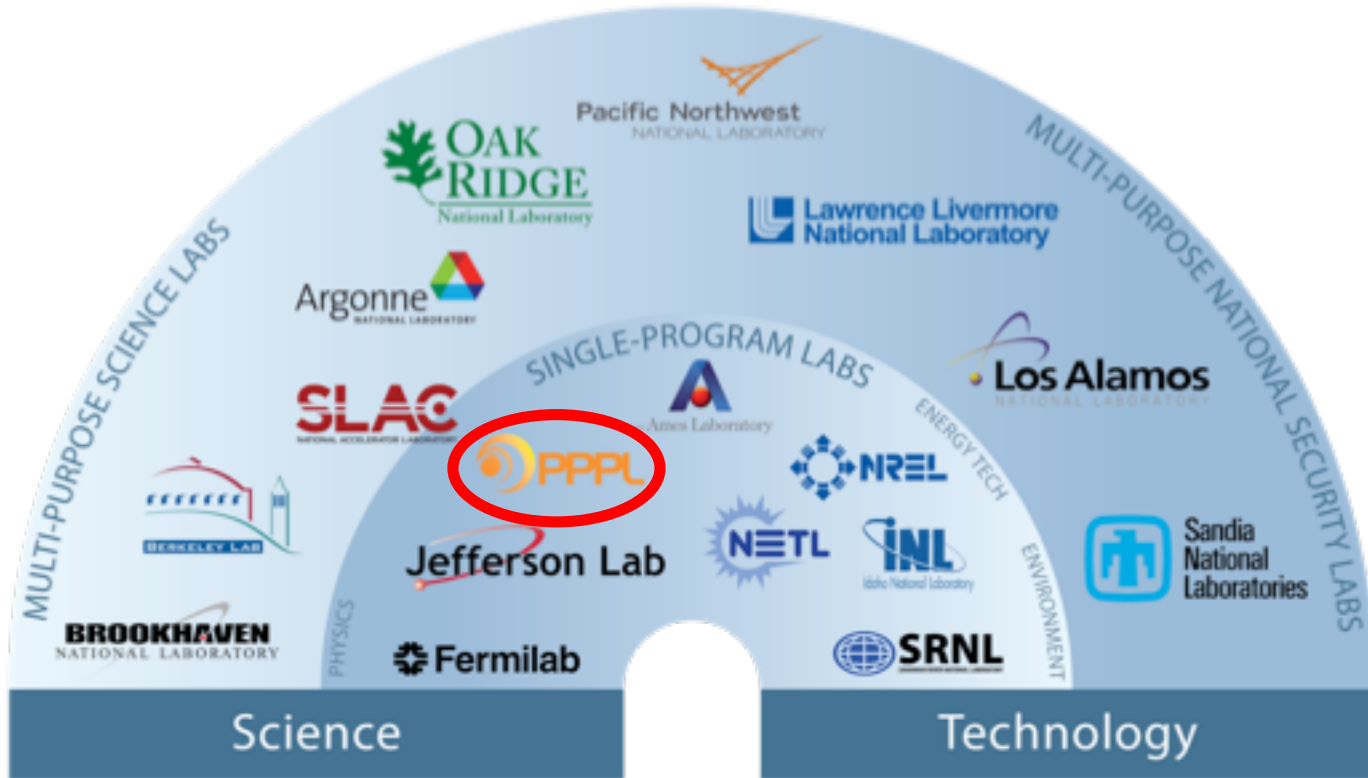
- Originally started in 1993 by Prof. Nat Fisch as part of the National Undergraduate Fellowship (NUF).



| The SULI One Week Course

- This week will feature:
 - 15 lectures on different plasma physics/engineering topics
 - Tour of the lab
 - Experimental session
 - HW sessions where you will review the HW sets with a graduate student (COME PREPARED WITH QUESTIONS)
- All lectures are streamed live and the slides can be found at:
<https://suli.pnnl.gov/2019/course/>

PPPL is one of 17 Department of Energy national laboratories





- Approximately 450 employees
- 90 acres
- Operated by Princeton U.

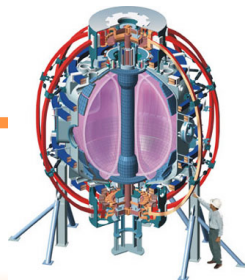


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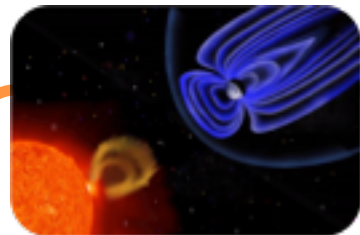
At PPPL we study plasmas at all scales.



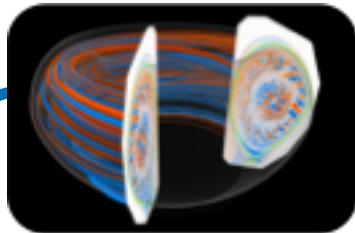
Low Temperature
Plasmas



Fusion



Astrophysical
Plasmas



Theory and
Simulation



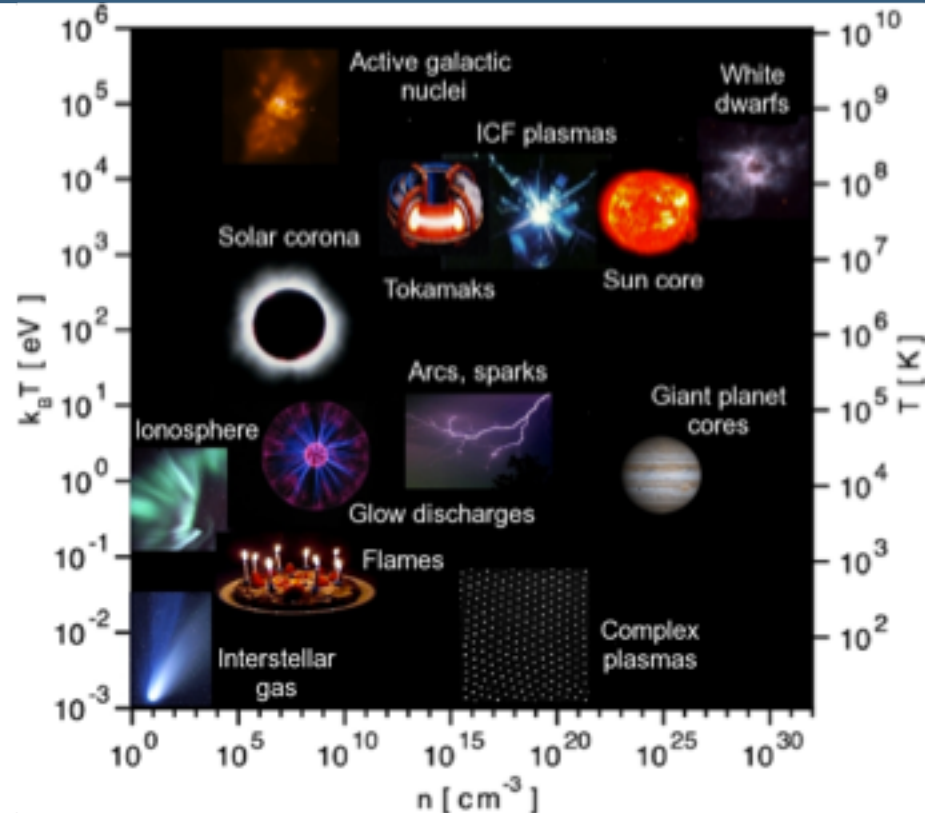
Experiments



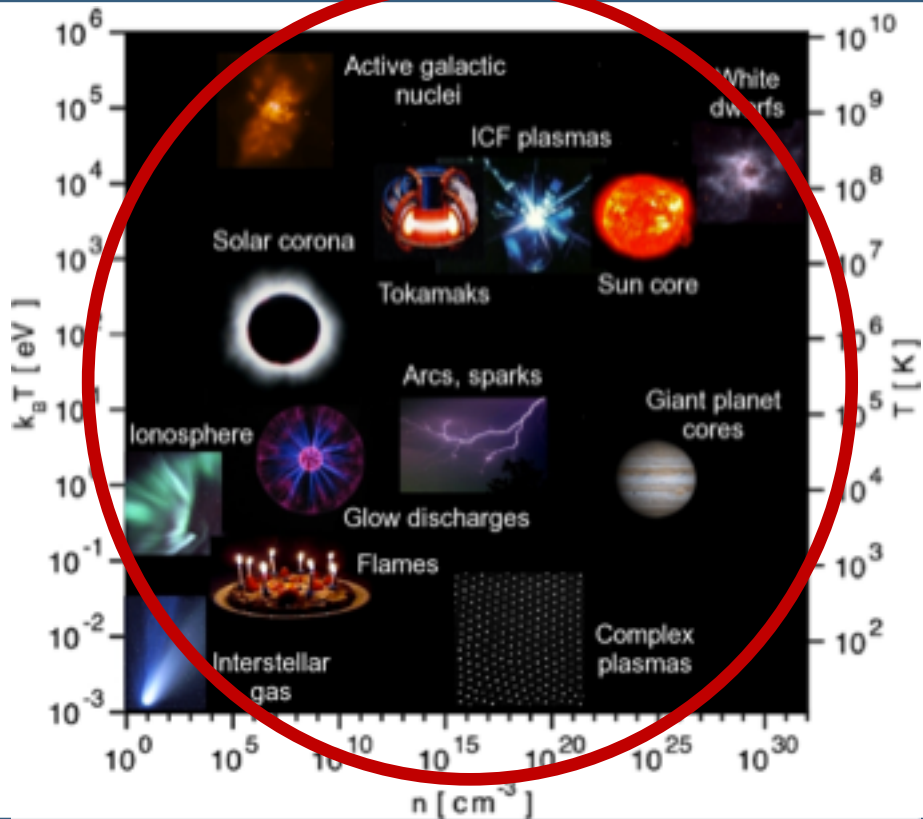
Engineering /
Technology

Plasma is a rich and varied field of study

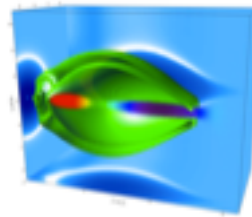
- **Plasma is the 4th state of matter:** It is qualitatively different than gas due to its collective behavior, particularly its interactions with E&M fields.
- **Plasmas cover a wide range of densities and temperatures** This makes the field rich in scope



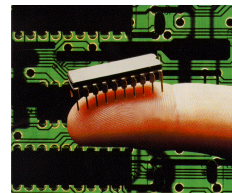
What will we be studying this week?



Plasma/Materials

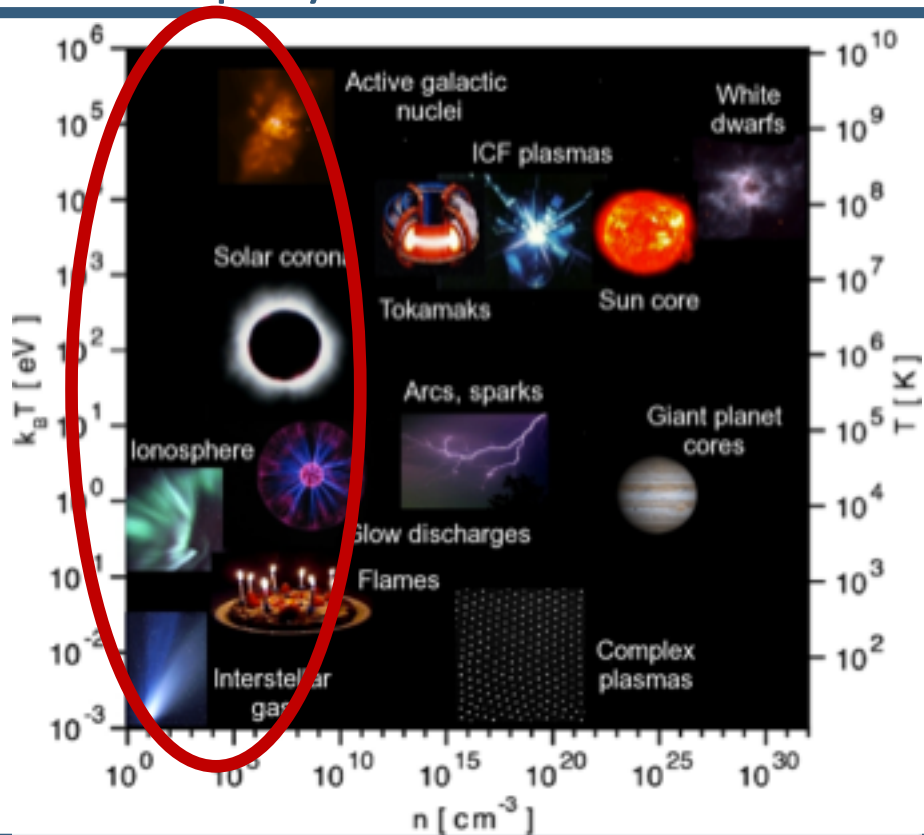


Plasma/Lasers



Plasma in industry

Astrophysical Plasmas

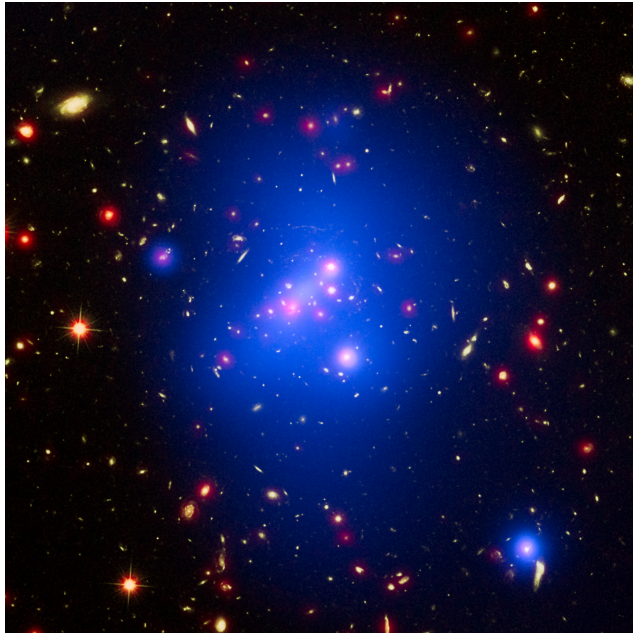


Prof. Matt Kunz
**Astrophysical
Plasmas**

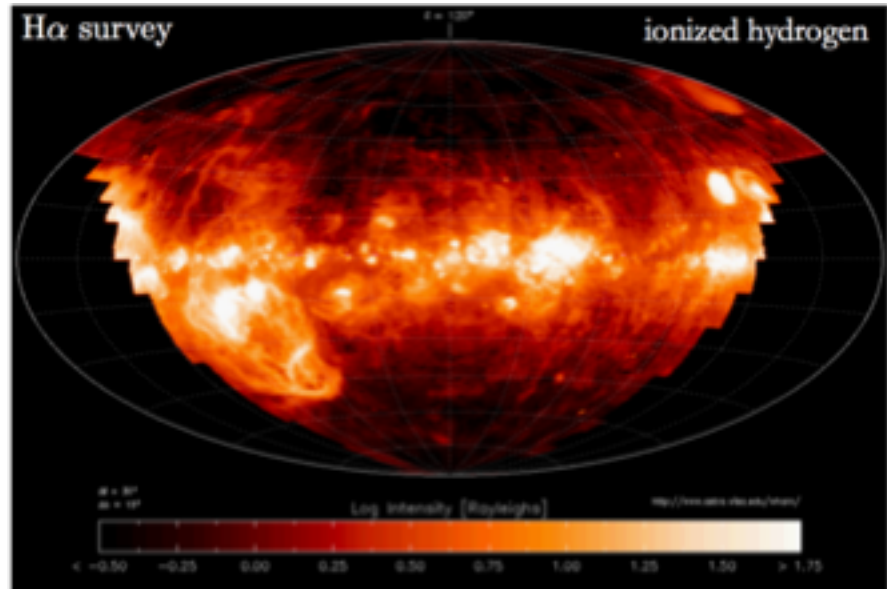


Dr. Will Fox
**Magnetic
Reconnection**

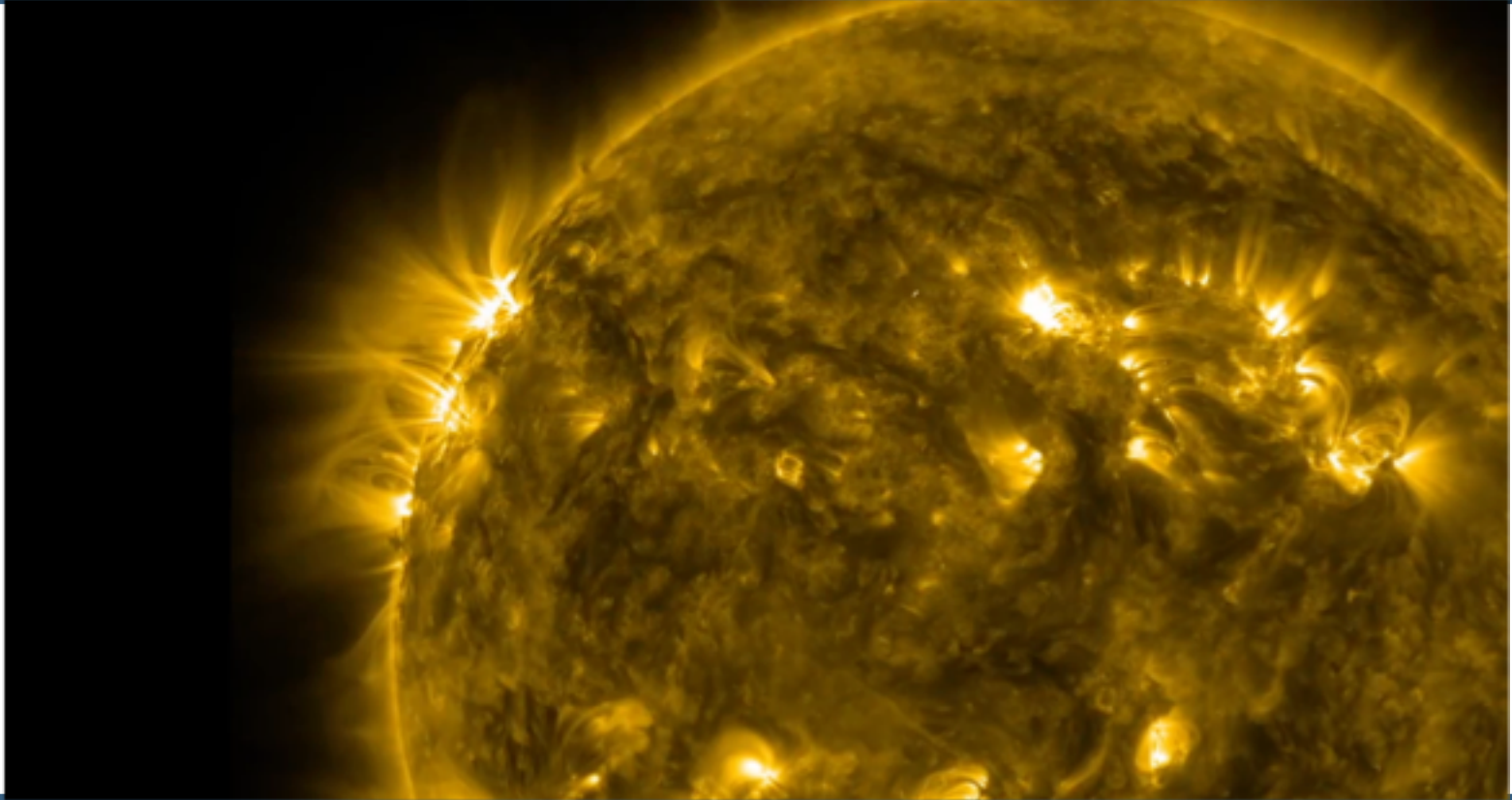
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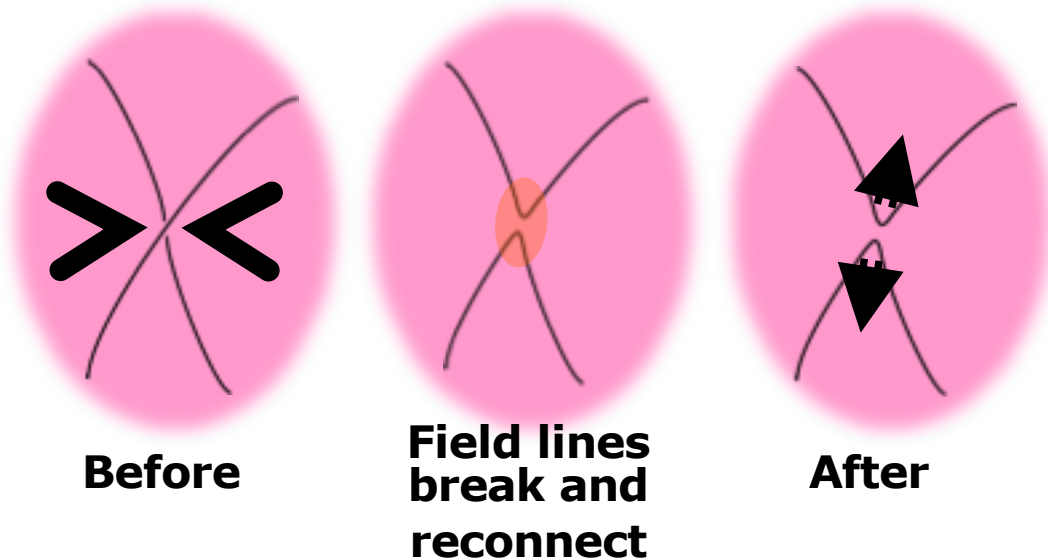
Galaxy cluster IC 3639 is located 10 billion light-years from Earth



A little closer to home

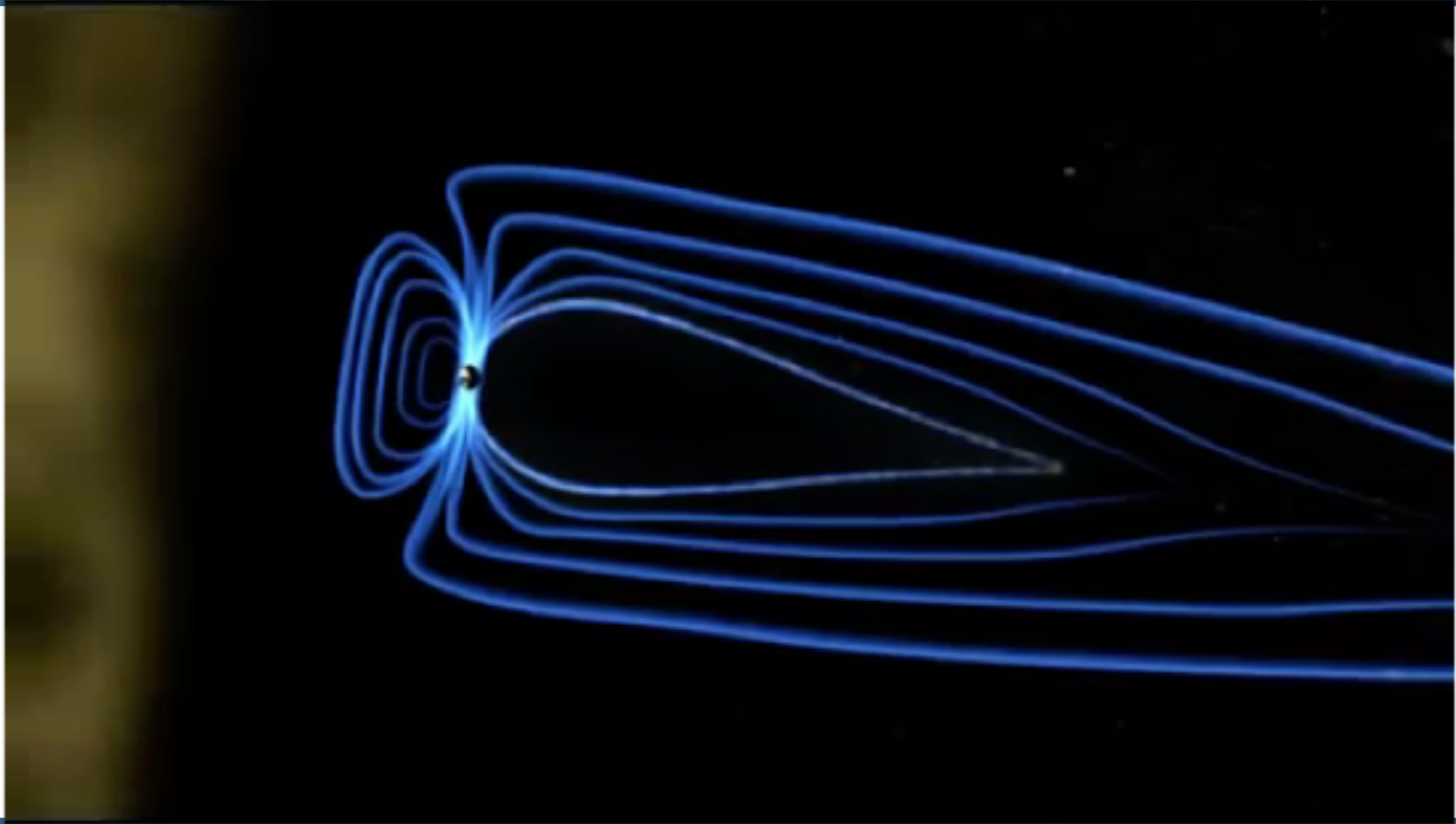


Magnetic reconnection is a big field of research

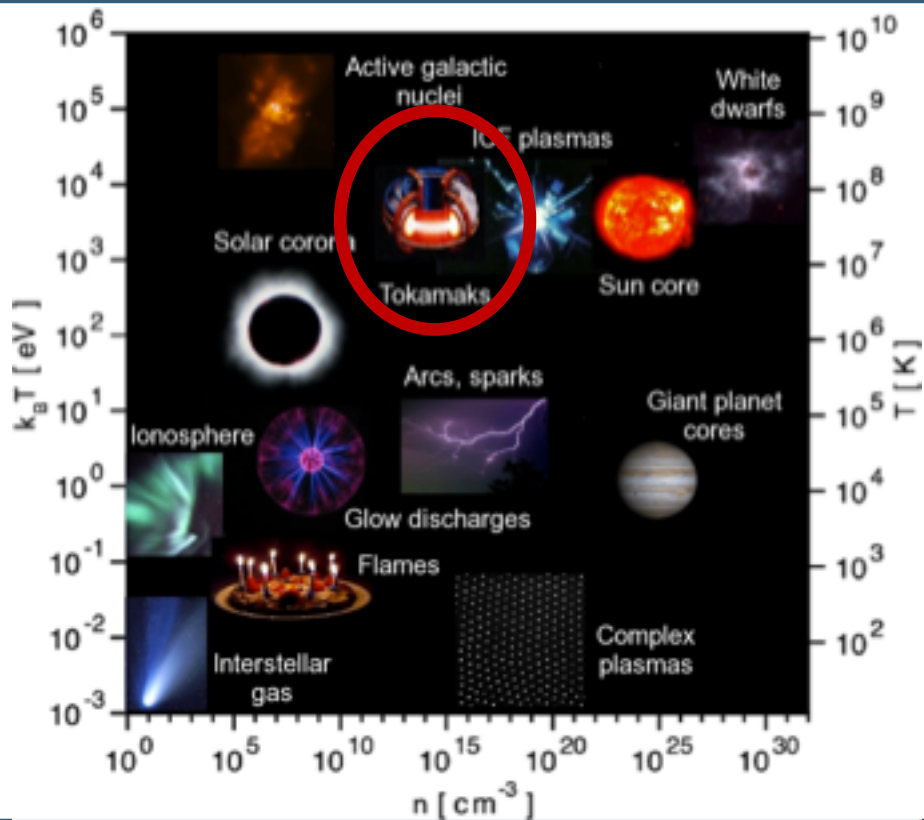


- **Topological rearrangement of the plasma** → breaks the “frozen in” condition on the magnetic field
- **Converts some magnetic field energy into particle energy** → the plasma charges a “toll” to the magnetic field

Reconnection in our magnetosphere



Magnetic Fusion Plasmas



Director Steven
Cowley
**Introduction to
Magnetic Fusion**



Prof. Michael
Maurer
**Introduction to
Stellarators**



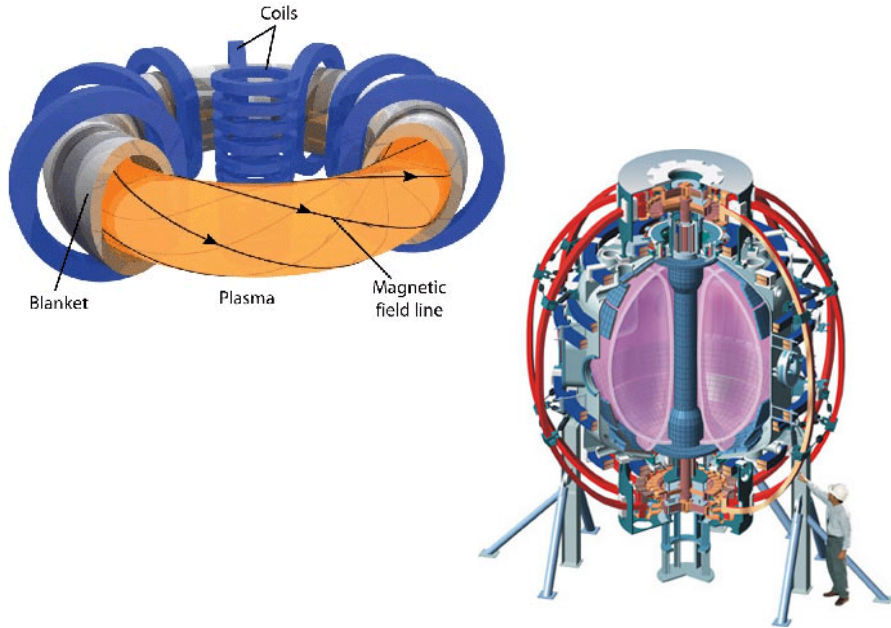
Prof. Dan
Andruczyk
**Plasma-Materials
Interaction**



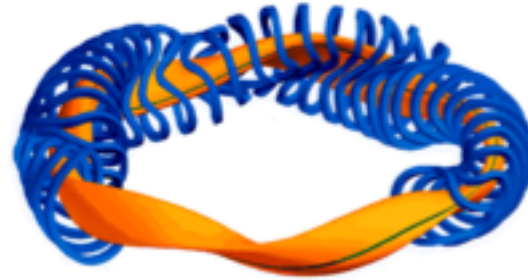
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The two main configurations of magnetic confinement devices

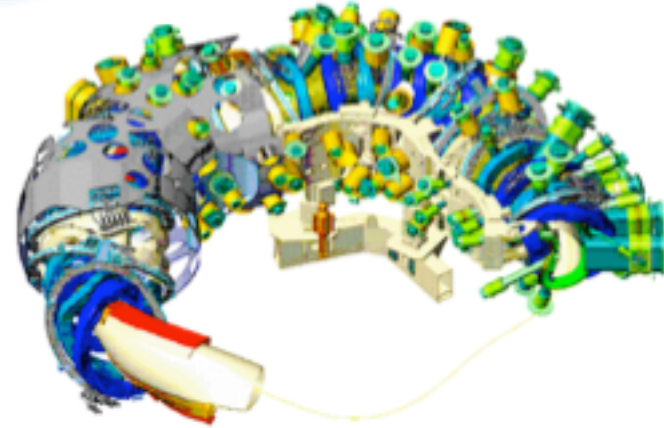
Tokamak



NSTXU @ PPPL



Stellarator



W7X @ Max-Planck / Germany

We, at PPPPL, are proud of the Stellarator...we invented it! (Lyman Spitzer did)

"Figure 8" Stellarator

Inventor of the Stellarator

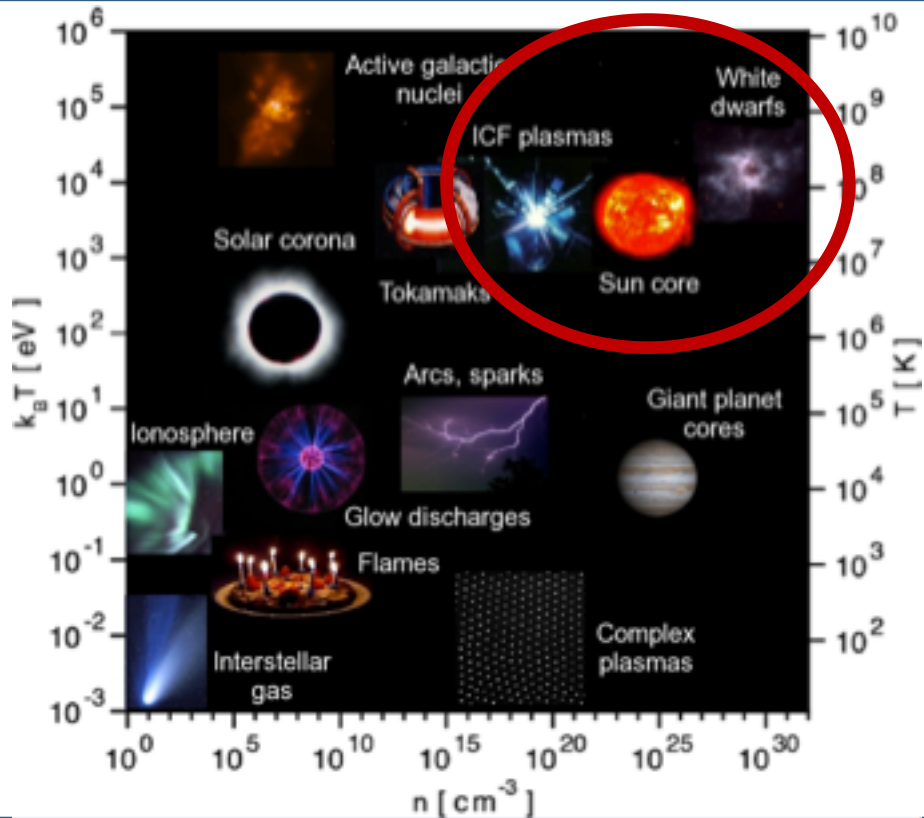
Founder of the lab

Made countless advances in plasma physics (his name is everywhere)

Proposed telescopes in outer space (hence the Spitzer Space Telescope)



High Energy Density Plasmas

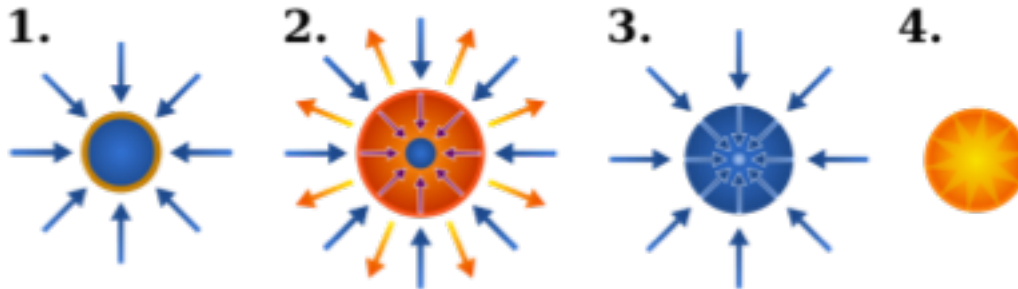
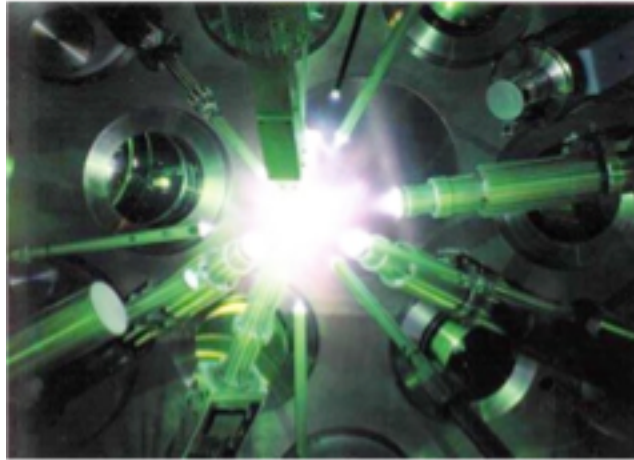
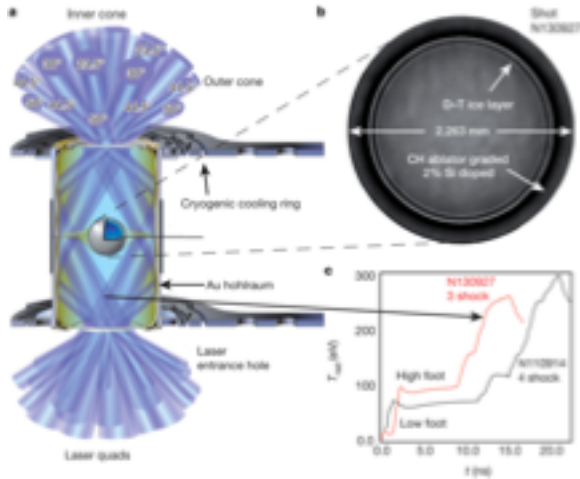


Dr. Tammy Ma
**Introduction to
Inertial
Confinement Fusion**



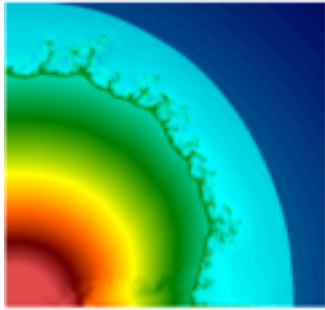
Dr. Cameron Geddes
**Introduction to
Wakefield
Acceleration**

Another way to create fusion conditions

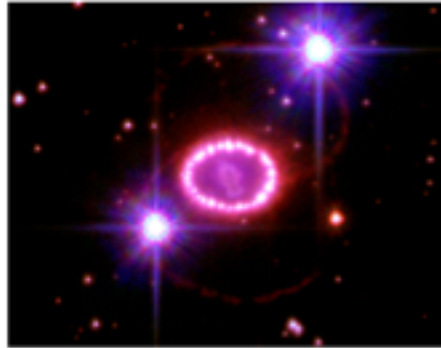


High energy density plasmas can model astrophysical phenomena

Raileigh-Taylor Instability

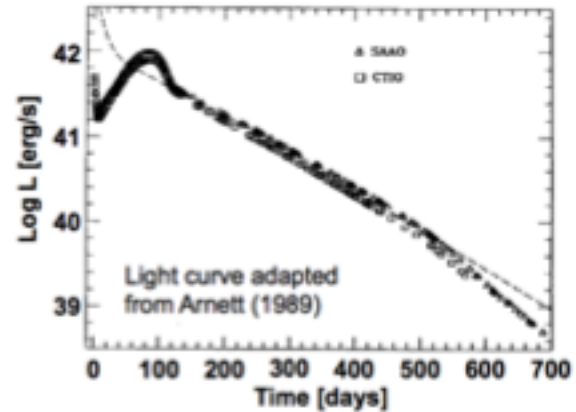


SN1987A, Hubble Space Telescope



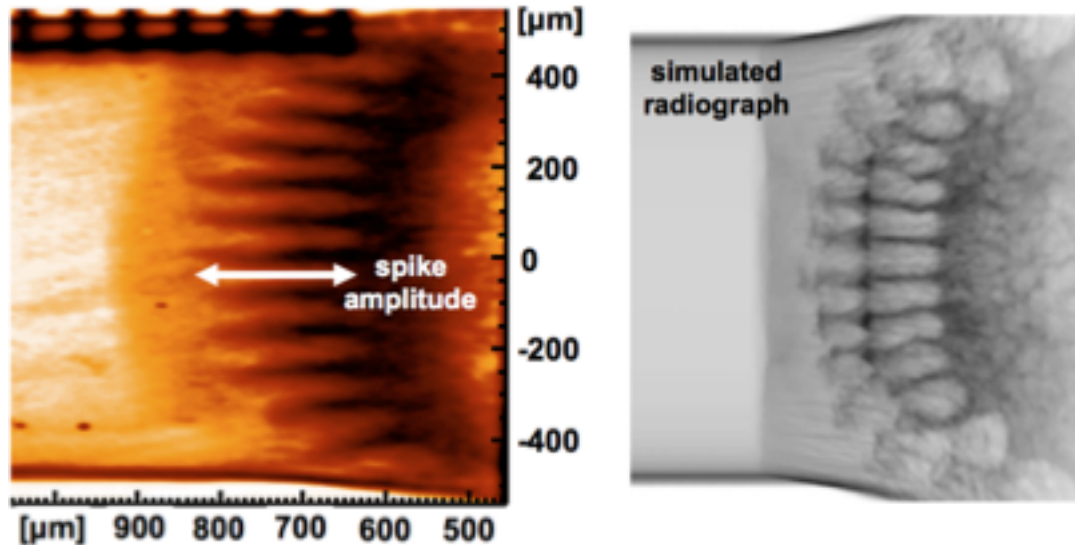
Can mixing in supernovae be investigated in the lab?

- Core-collapse supernova of a bluegiant
- Light curve data suggested* 'mixing' between stellar layers



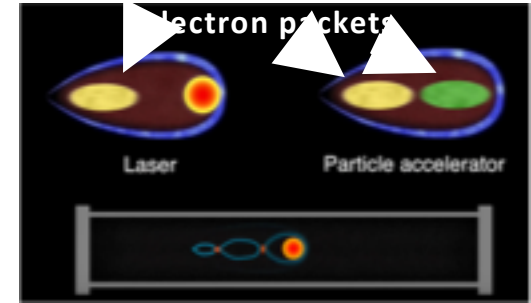
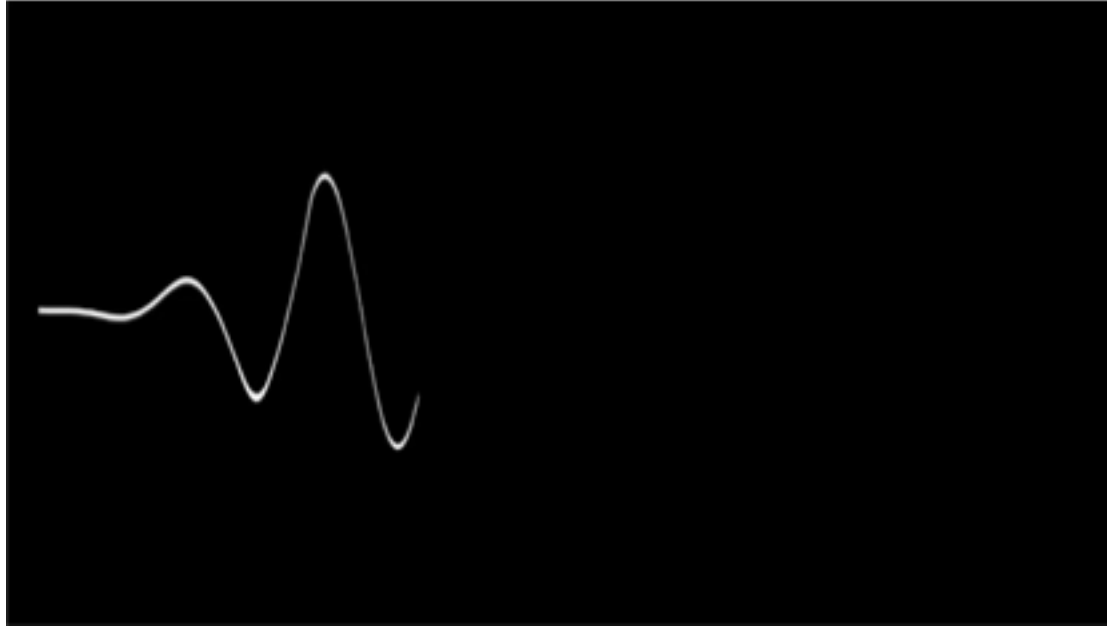
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Laser/plasma experiments at Omega facility
to simulate the RTI observed in the supernova collapse



Dr. Mario Manuel, 2018 SULI talk

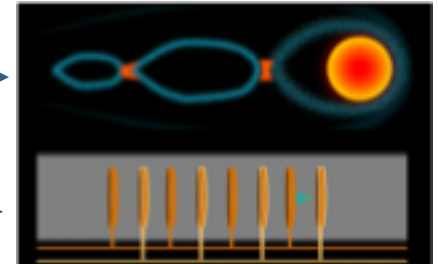
Laser/plasma interactions can help create smaller accelerators



1.2m

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~1km



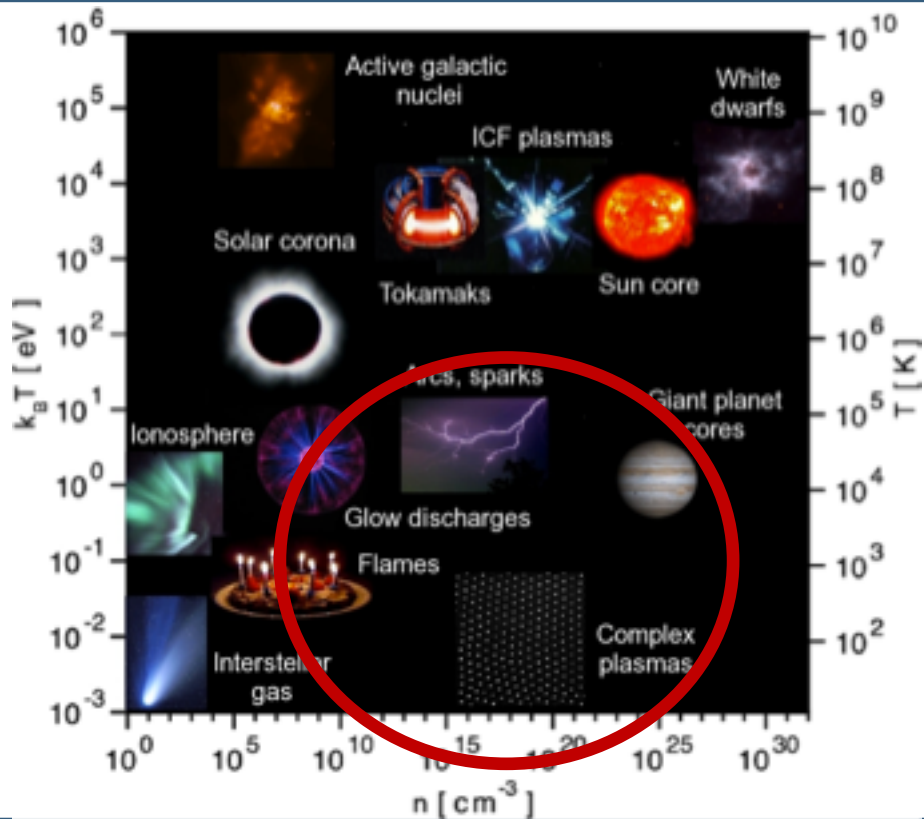
Wakefield Accelerators: The Future of Particle Colliders? - Deep Dive 1

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Low Temperature and Complex Plasmas



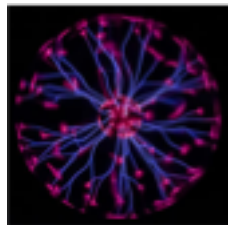
Prof. Jose Lopez
**Low Temperature
Plasmas**



Prof. Edward Thomas
Complex Plasmas

An aside on temperatures

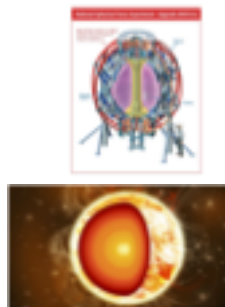
1ev = 10,000K (11,600, but whatever)



~1eV



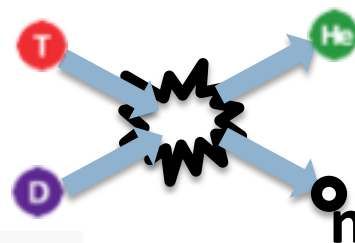
13.6eV



~1keV



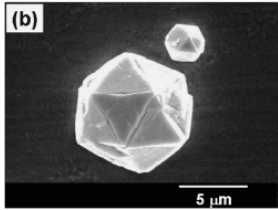
~10keV



~10MeV

There are MANY applications for low temperature plasmas

Material Synthesis



Plasma display



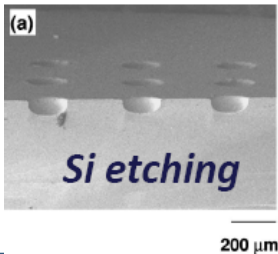
Surface Treatment



Lighting



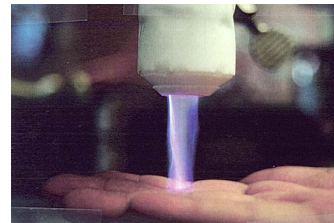
Material processing



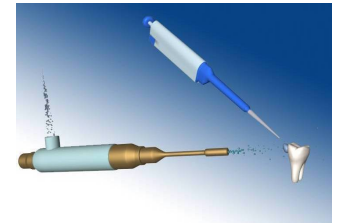
Ozone generation for water cleaning



Bio-application

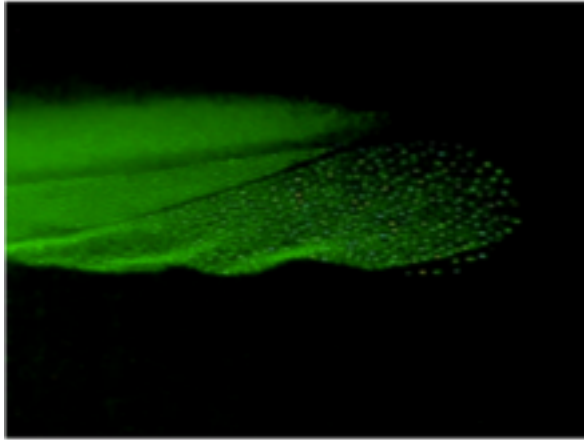


Dental application



Complex Plasmas

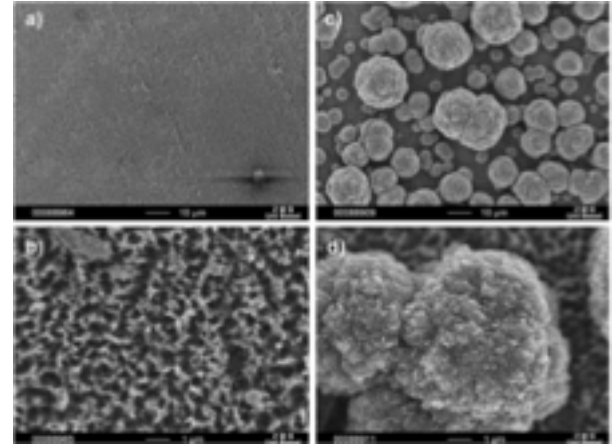
Complex/Dusty plasmas = electrons + ions + neutrals + **charged microparticles (dust)**



Lab dusty plasma

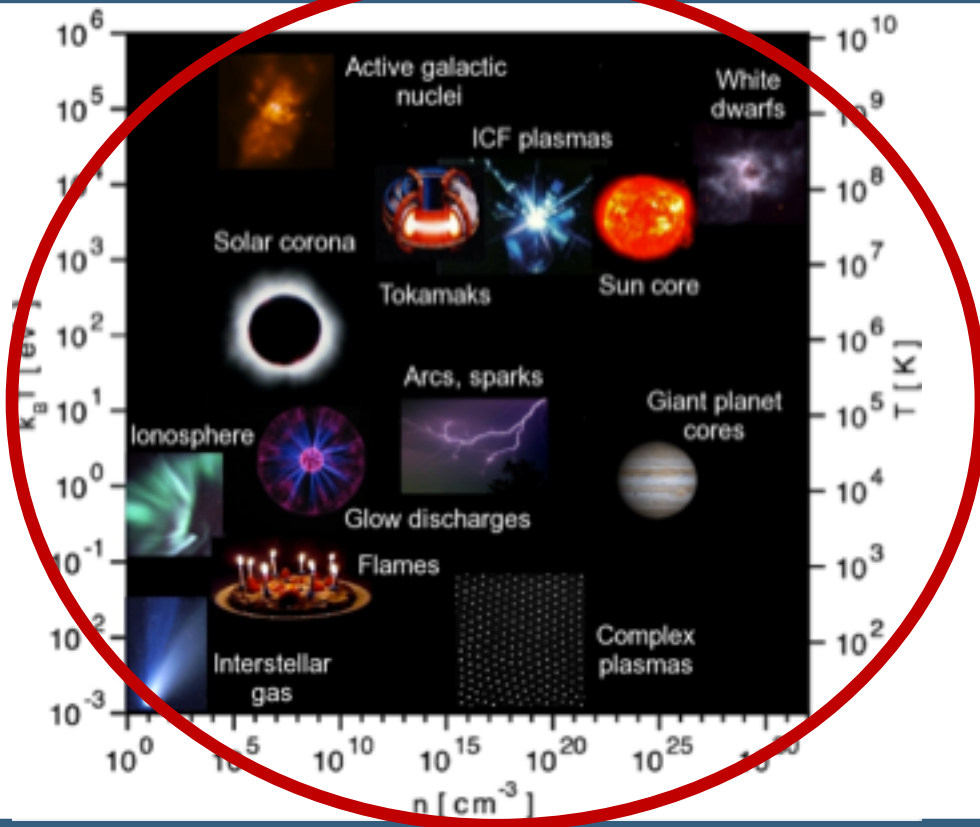


Dusty plasma
In our solar system



Dusty plasma
In fusion devices

Computational Techniques



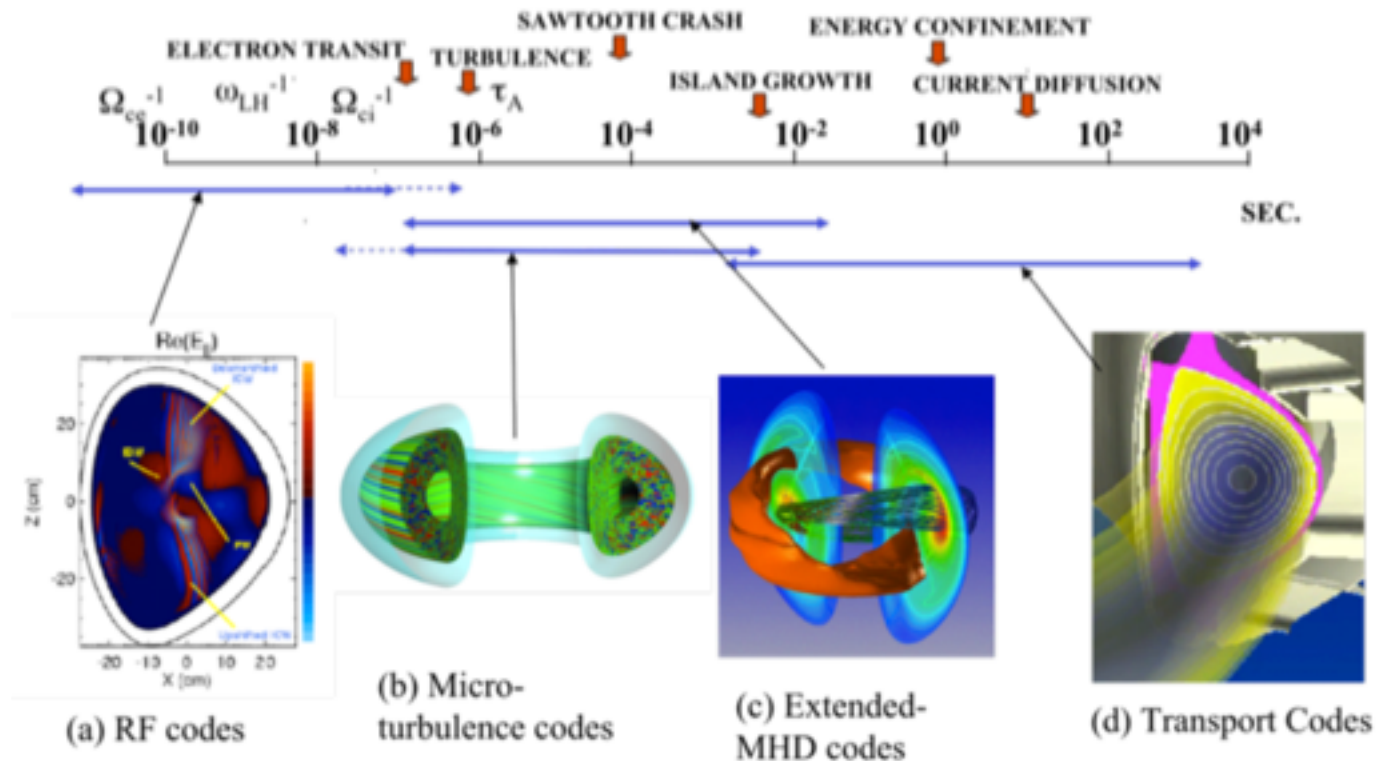
Dr. Matt Landreman

**Computational
Plasma Physics**

The complexity of the systems lead to the need for simulations

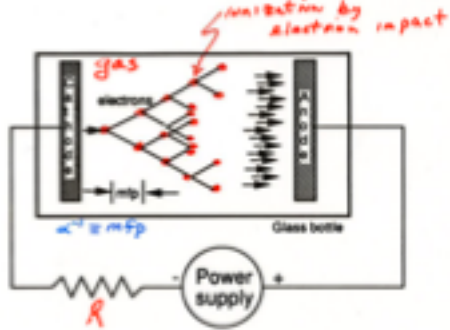
- In a typical lab plasma, $N \sim 10^{20}$
- Every charged particle creates an E and B everywhere in space
- Every charged particle is subject to $q(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B})$ forces from every other particle (plus from external sources)
- **The problem becomes analytically intractable very quickly**

Time/length scales span many decades

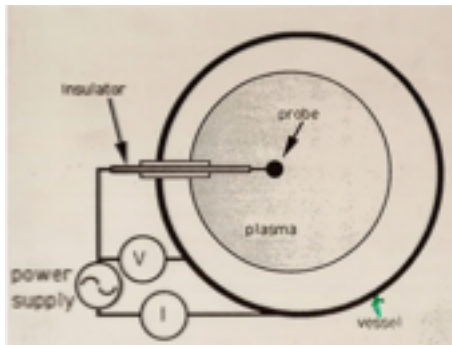


Experimental techniques

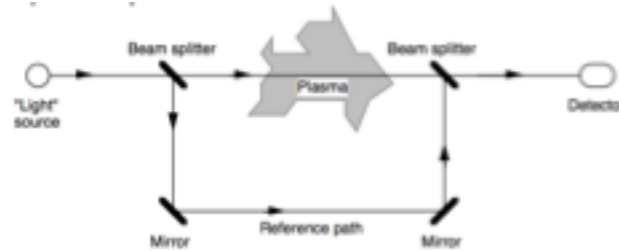
Paschen's Law



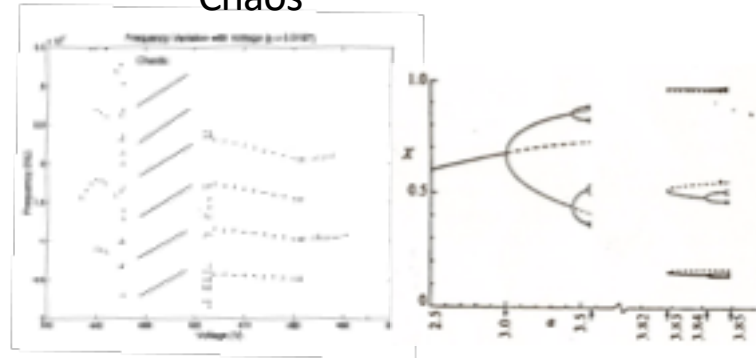
Langmuir Probes



Interferometry



Chaos



Prof. Sam Cohen
**Experimental
Methods**

Experimental Session



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Experimental Session

Group A		Group B		Group C	
Group A1 (Grad lab)	Group A2 (SciEd lab)	Group B1 (Grad Lab)	Group B2 (SciEd lab)	Group C1 (SciEd lab)	Group C2 (SciEd lab)
Barbara Garcia	Marco Andres Miller	Paul Simmerling	Ryan Golant	Demetrius McAtee	Chandler Cotton
Gabriel Antonio Gonzalez Jusino	Colin Myrick	Katrina Teo	Shun Kamiya	Jacob Paiste	Julio Ocana Ortiz
Andrew Herschberg	Samantha Ann Pereira	Mikayla Washington	Keisuke Kanda	Allison Price	Arie Henderson
Natalie Cannon	Esha Rao	Anna Martha Wolz	Shinichiro Kojima	Shannon Baeske	Jack Robertson
Carlos Andre Catalano	Luquant Singh	Laura Natalia Zaidenberg	Hibiki Yamazaki	Marisa Thompson	Reece Frederick
Matthew Barber	Marion Elizabeth Smedberg	Ish Kaul	Kota Yanagihar	Chigozie Chinakwe	Shakina Hogan
Loukas Carayannopoulos	Jace Christian Waybright	Andrew Christopher Hernandez	<i>Rob Goldston PEI student</i>	Robert Galvez	Laura Bentivegna
James LeCompte	Eric Wolf	Trace Johnson	Andrew Brown	Taylor Shead	Chris Barber
Cristian Arens	Oleksandr Redin Yardas	Kai Torrens	Joshua Latham		
Ben Alessio	Courtney L Johnson	Andy Brown	Joshua James Luoma		
Michaela Hennebury	Ryan Arbon	Alexander Liu	Stephen Yan		
Adeline Hennebury	Promise Oluwagbope Adebayo-Ige	Daniel Thomas	Cole Alexander Love-Baker		
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	Henry Fetsch		James Robinson		

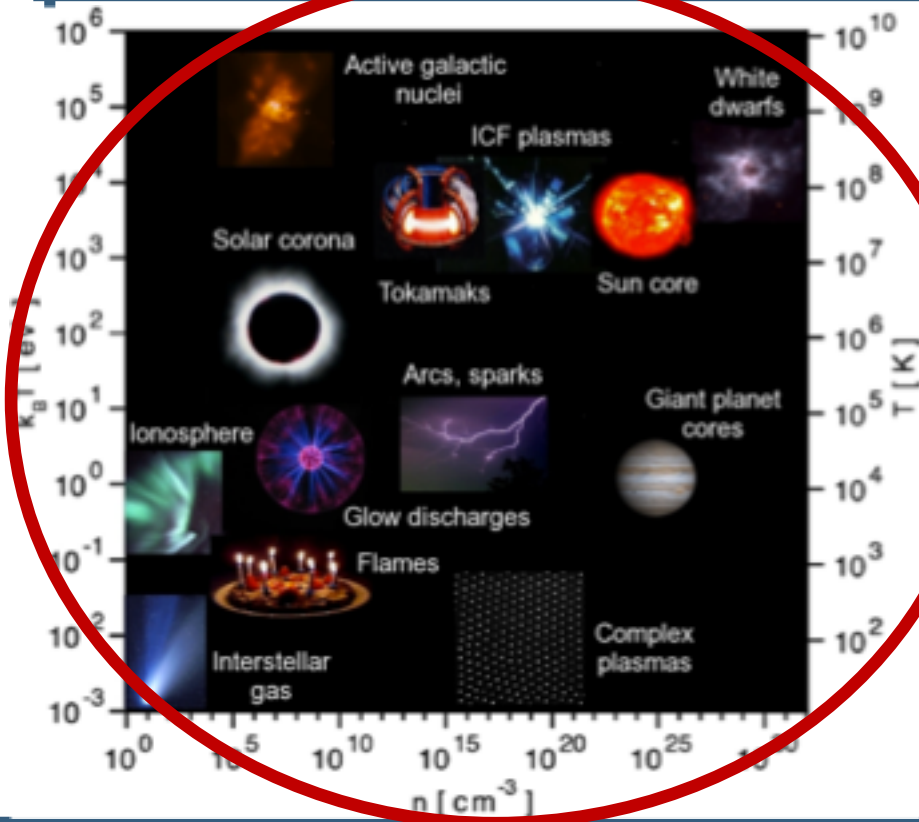
Tour of PPPL



Dr. Erik Gilson



Plasma Physics Fundamentals



Dr. Cami Collins
Single Particle
Motion



Dr. Carlos Paz-
Soldan
Fluid Theory
and MHD

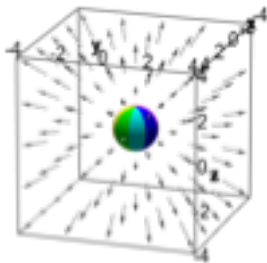


Dr. Steffi Diem
Plasma Waves
and Turbulence

First, a little reminder of vector calculus

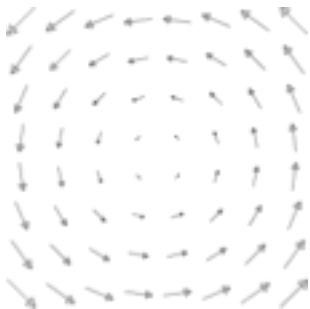
Divergence

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{V} > 0$$



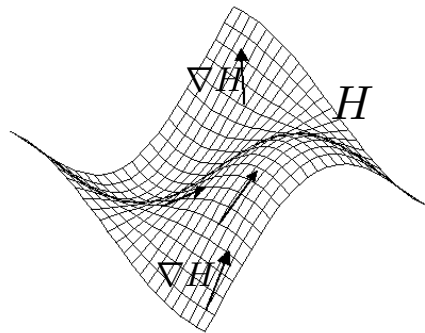
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$$\nabla \times \vec{V} \neq 0$$



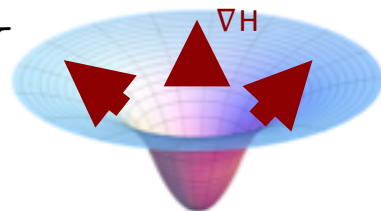
$$\nabla H$$

Gradient



$$H$$

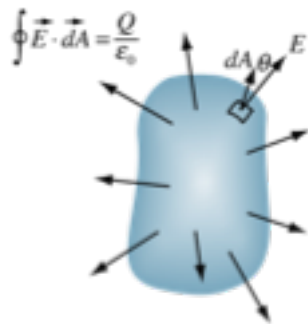
Laplacian



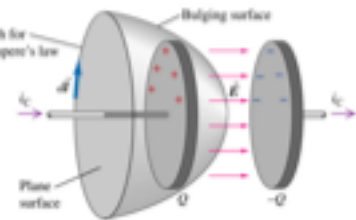
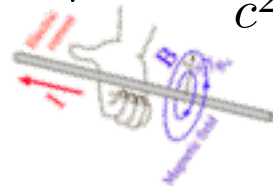
$$\nabla \cdot (\nabla H) = \nabla^2 H > 0$$

Gospel according to Maxwell

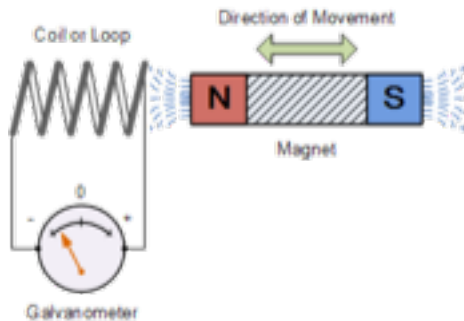
$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$$



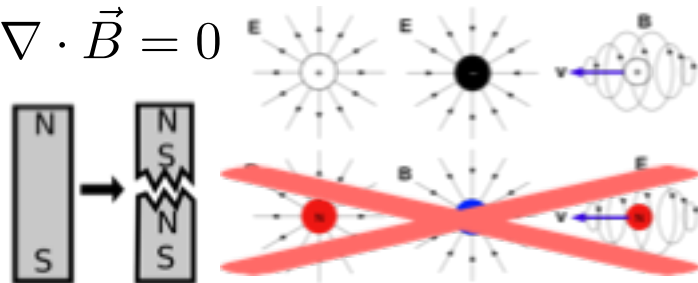
$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J} + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{d\vec{E}}{dt}$$



$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{d\vec{B}}{dt}$$



$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$$



Electric potential and Poisson's equation

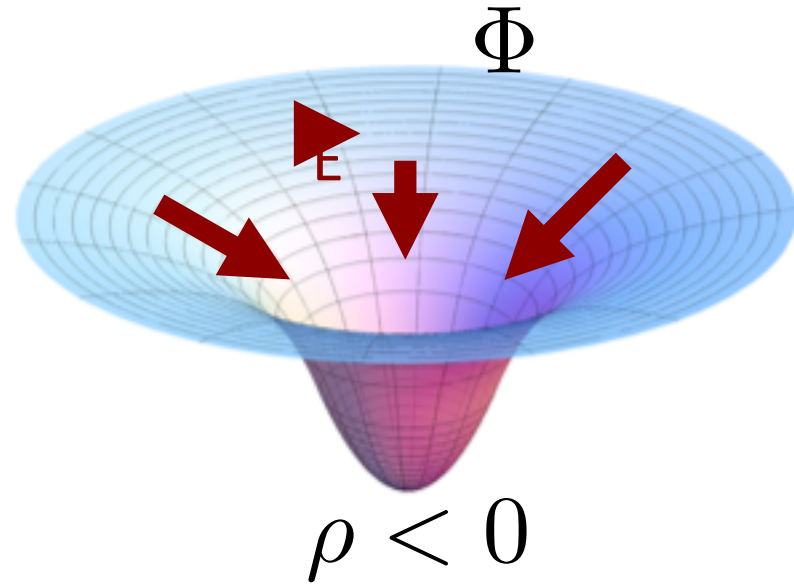
$$\vec{E} = -\nabla\Phi$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\nabla \cdot (-\nabla\Phi) = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\nabla^2\Phi = -\frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$$


Potential energy of a charge in
an electric potential = $q\Phi$



Saha's equation tells you the degree of ionization

$$\left(\frac{n_i}{n_n} \right) \approx 2.4 \times 10^{21} \frac{T^{3/2}}{n_i} e^{-U_i / k_B T}$$

Ionization energy



Degree of ionization

For nitrogen at standard temperature and pressure (STP):

$$\frac{n_i}{n_n} \approx 10^{-122}$$

At STP, most of what's around us is neutral

Comparison between electric/gravitational forces

The electric and gravitational forces exerted on m_1 by m_2 are:

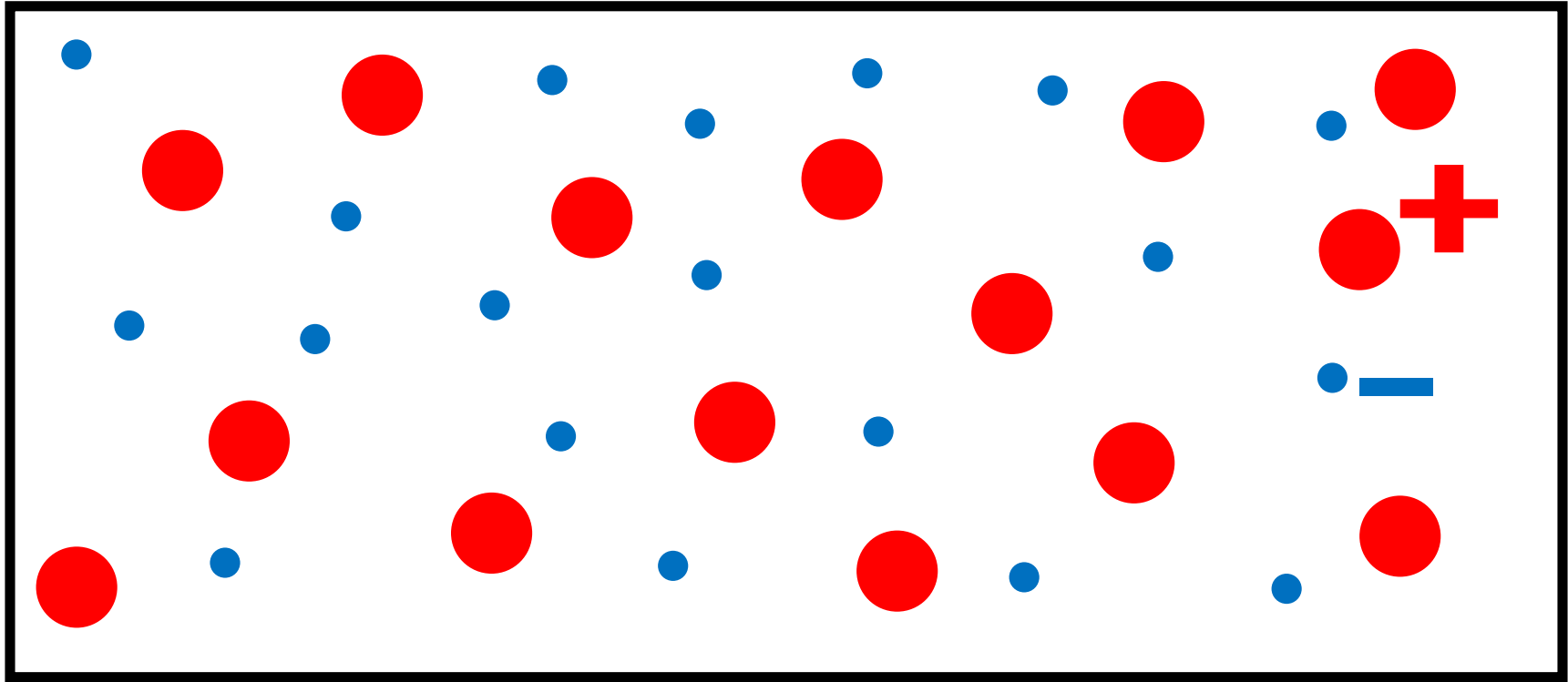
$$m_1 \vec{a} = \Sigma \vec{F} = \vec{F}_G + \vec{F}_E = \left[-\frac{Gm_1m_2}{r_{1,2}^2} + \frac{q_1q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_{1,2}^2} \right] \hat{r}$$

Assuming one is an ionized deuterium atom and the other is an electron:

$$\frac{F_E}{F_G} = 1.1 \times 10^{39}$$

Gravity is irrelevant for lab plasmas (but not for astrophysical ones)

Even though it's (partially/fully) ionized, plasma equilibrium is quasi-neutral



We start with a thought experiment where we disturb this quasi-neutrality

