# Progress on Disruption Simulations for FIRE

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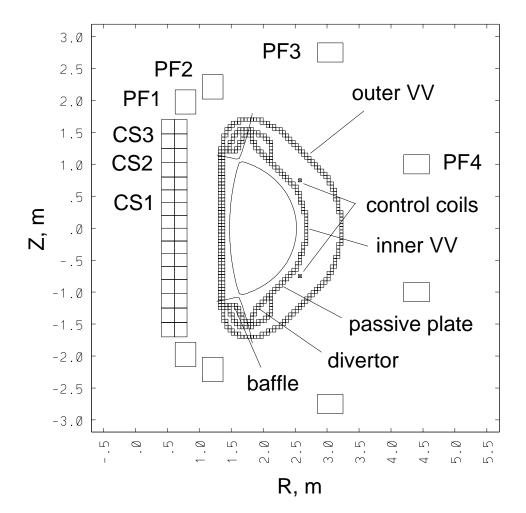
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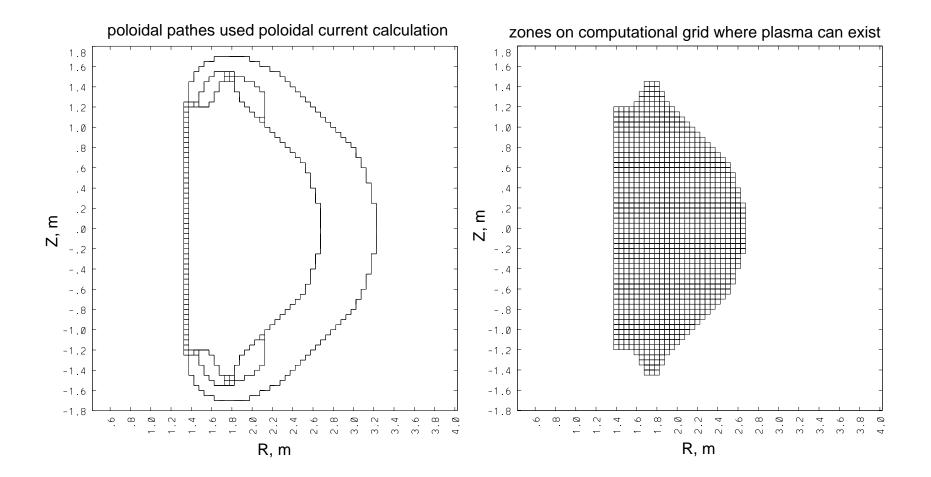
**Disruption Simulations/Numerical and Structure Modelling** 

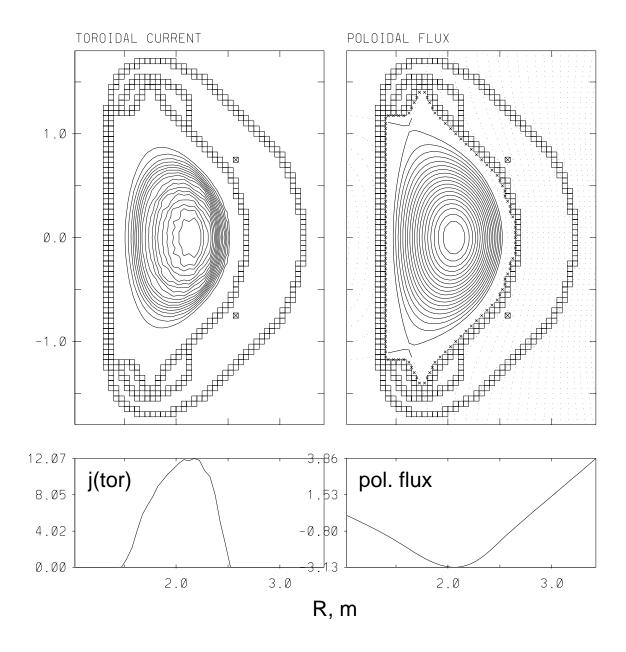
• structure model

- outer VV, upper and lower, 1.5 cm SS with  $\rho$ =90x10\*\*(-8)
- inner VV, upper and lower, 1.5 cm SS with  $\rho$ =90x10\*\*(-8)
- inboard and outboard passive plates, upper and lower, 1.5 cm Cu with  $\rho$ =2.5x10\*\*(-8)
- divertor, upper and lower, 1.5 cm Cu with  $\rho$ =2.5x10\*\*(-8) and zero net current constraint
- baffle, upper and lower, 1.5 cm Cu with  $\rho$ =2.5x10\*\*(-8) and zero net current constraint
- outboard midplane outer VV, 1.5 cm SS with  $\rho$ =9000x10\*\*(-8)
- outboard midplane inner VV, 1.5 cm SS with  $\rho$ =9000x10\*\*(-8)
- internal control coils
- poloidal current pathes for diamagnetic and halo current flow
- restrict region on computational grid where plasma can exist
- limiter contour to represent PFC surfaces

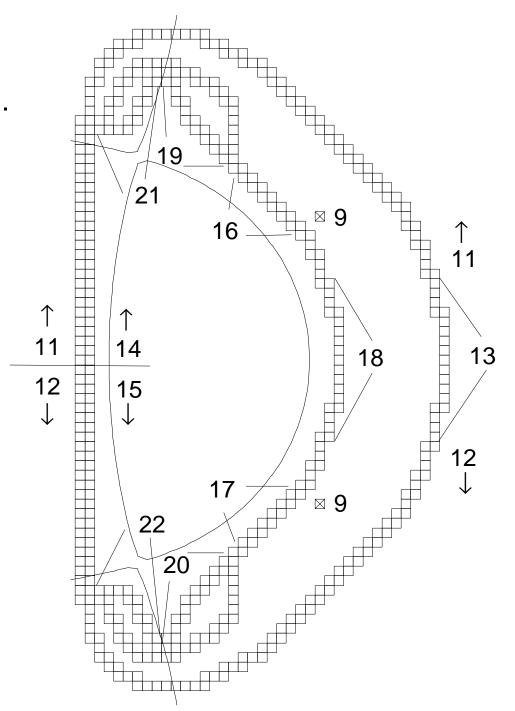


#### Poloidal Current Pathes and Allowed Plasma Zone





### FIRE Structure Grouping for Disruption Modelling



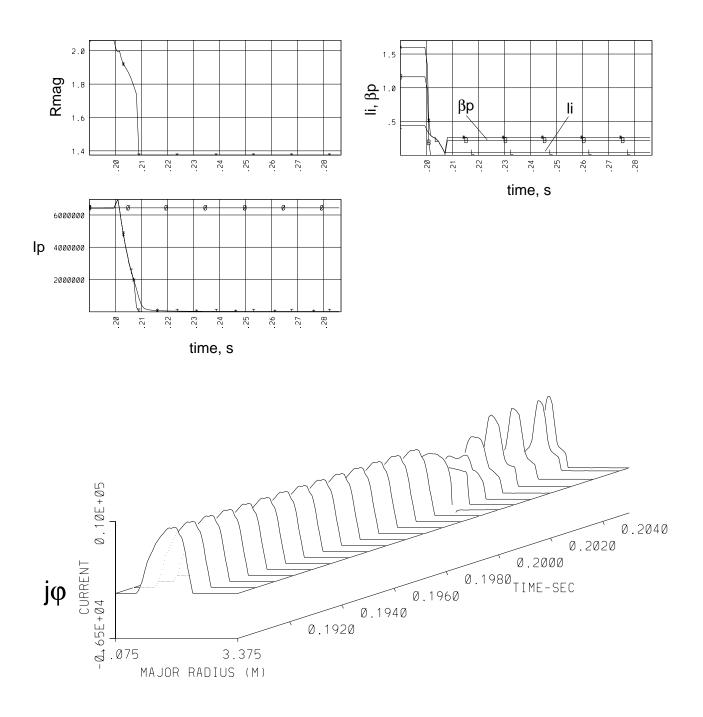
- 11 outer VV upper
- 12 outer VV lower
- 13 outer VV outb mid
- 14 inner VV upper
- 15 inner VV lower
- 16 passive plate upper
- 17 passive plate lower
- 18 inner VV outb mid
- 19 divertor upper
- 20 divertor lower
- 21 baffle upper
- 22 baffle lower

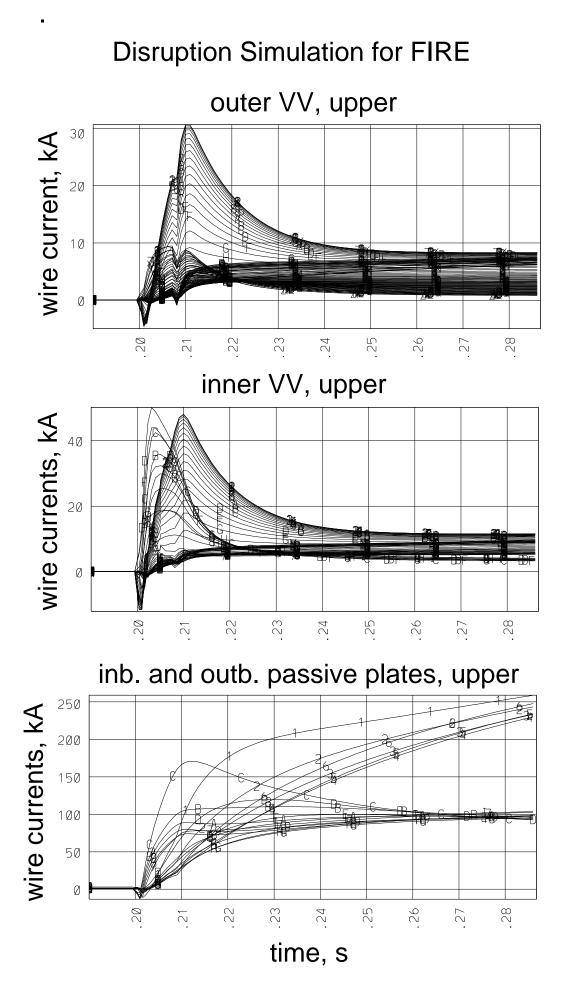
### **Disruption Simulation/Numerical and Structure Modelling**

- using prescribed pressure and density profiles, and rapidly drop the pressure to induce the disruption over 1 ms
  - plasma temperature drops to 15-30 eV
  - plasma becomes very paramagnetic as βp goes to zero and then plasma contribution to toroidal flux goes to zero as lp goes to zero
- use hyper-resistivity to cause rapid broadening of plasma current profile, which causes initial increase in plasma current by 10%
- initiate halo by prescribing halo temperature (5 eV) and halo width (as % of flux in plasma)
- plasma moves inward and shrinks from beta drop and plasma current drop
  - magnetic geometry (separatrix with x-point) is preserved for some time into disruption
  - current in halo is contributing to plasma force balance
- feedback systems for plasma radial and vertical position, and Ip are left on throughout the disruption
  - feedback systems would normally remain on only as long Ip was above the feedback permissable Ip(minimum)

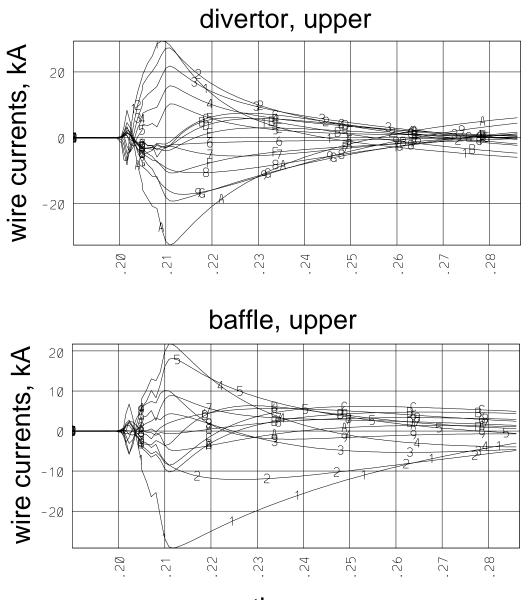
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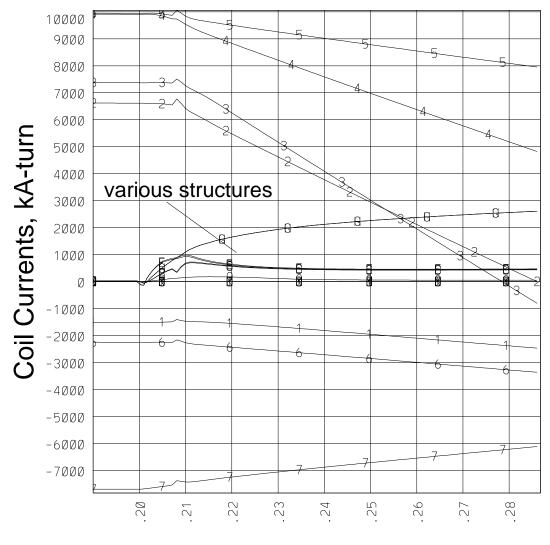


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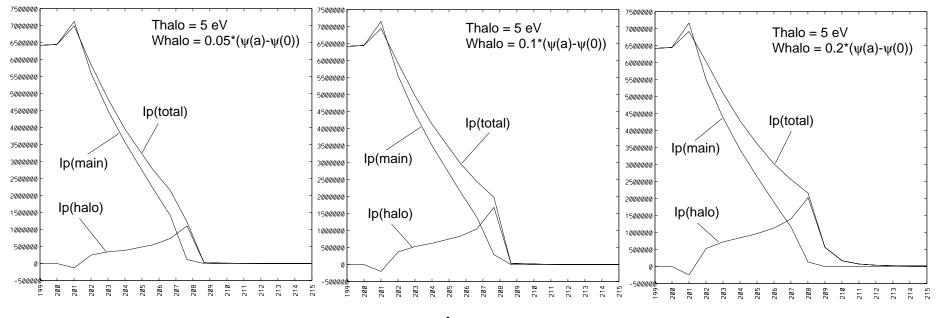
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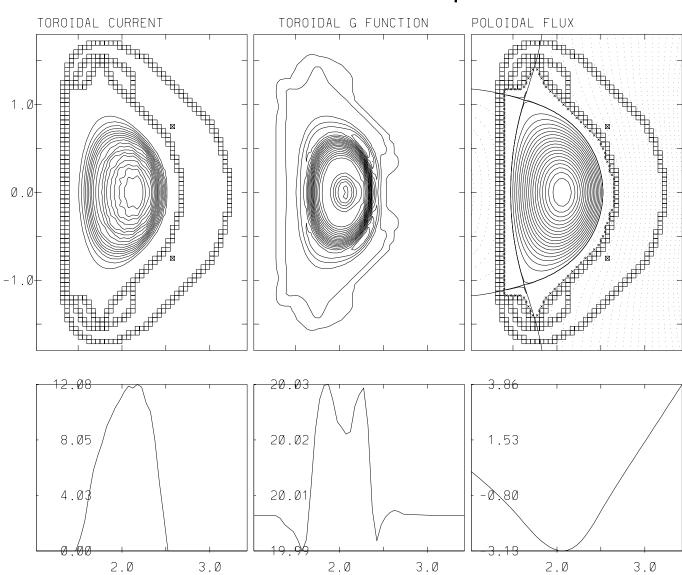


- 1 CS1 (divided by 10)
- 2 CS2
- 3 CS3
- 4 PF1
- 5 PF2
- 6 PF3
- 7 PF4

#### toroidal current in main plasma and halo plasma during disruption

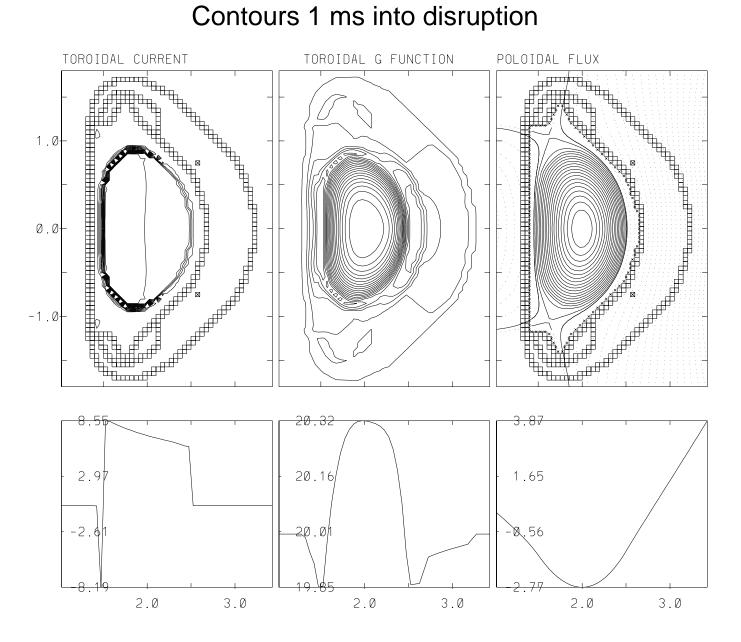


time, ms

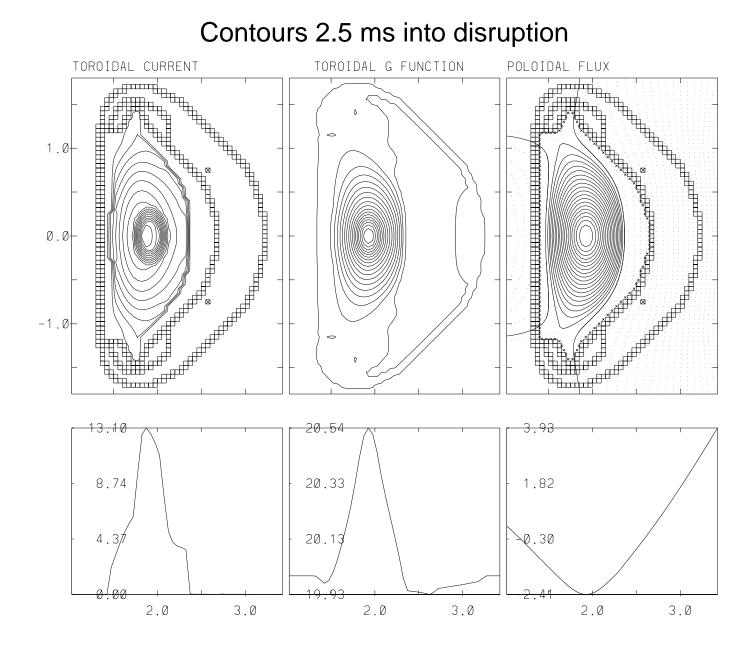


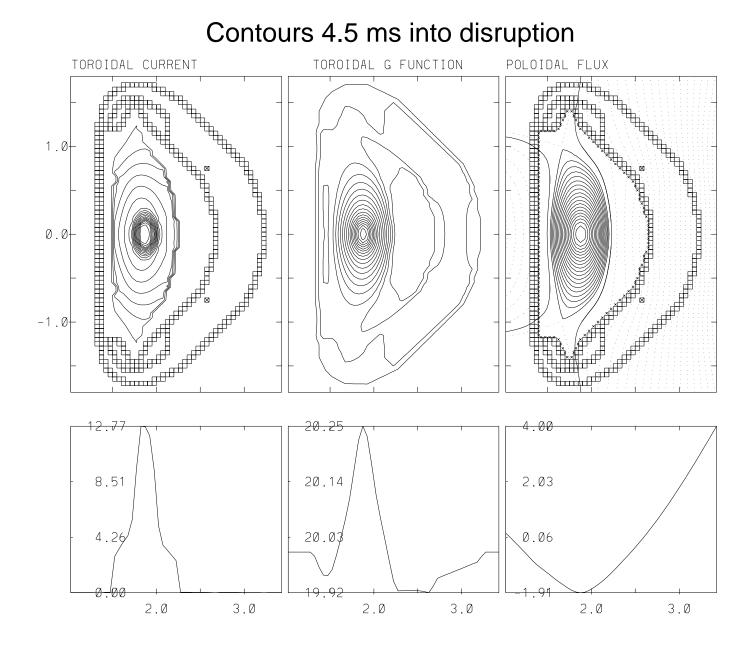
### Contours before disruption

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### **Disruption Simulation/Numerical and Structure Modelling**

- future work
  - need to reduce plasma mass and examine convergence behavior
  - re-write subroutines to dump out structure related and plasma related data in a usable form

wire currents, fields, and forces according to groupings

both toroidal current and poloidal current effects

plasma to wall current flow

various plasma properties

- try disruption with plasma near midplane ( $\Delta Z = 1.5$  cm)
- try VDE disruption sequence (drift and disrupt)
- structure updates (i.e. Cu on inboard wall)