



SINE2020 General Assembly

Bilbao, May 28th 2019

WP 8: INSTRUMENTATION - E-TOOLS

- E-tools for integrated simulation using neutronics and Monte Carlo ray-tracing
 - Innovative Shielding Concepts and Materials
- Compact Instrumentation for Larmor Labelling applications at the ESS



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(and WP8 Structure)

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Improve

(and WP8 Structure “cradle to grave” instrument-modeling) capability beyond state of the art:



! Task 8.1: E-tools for integrated noise using neutronics and Monte Carlo ray-tracing

neutronics + ray-tracing – signal / simulation



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! Task 8.2: Innovative Shielding

Concepts and Materials



! Task 8.3: Compact Instrumentation for Larmor Labelling applications at the ESS



(heavy concrete, laminar
shielding)

Measure
and understand (high-energy)

background and utilise this to better shield our
instruments using new shielding approaches

Investigate
the effect of the ESS pancake / butterfly
moderator on the design of NSE and Larmor
labelling instruments at this facility

ISTSI 2019 - June 29th 2019
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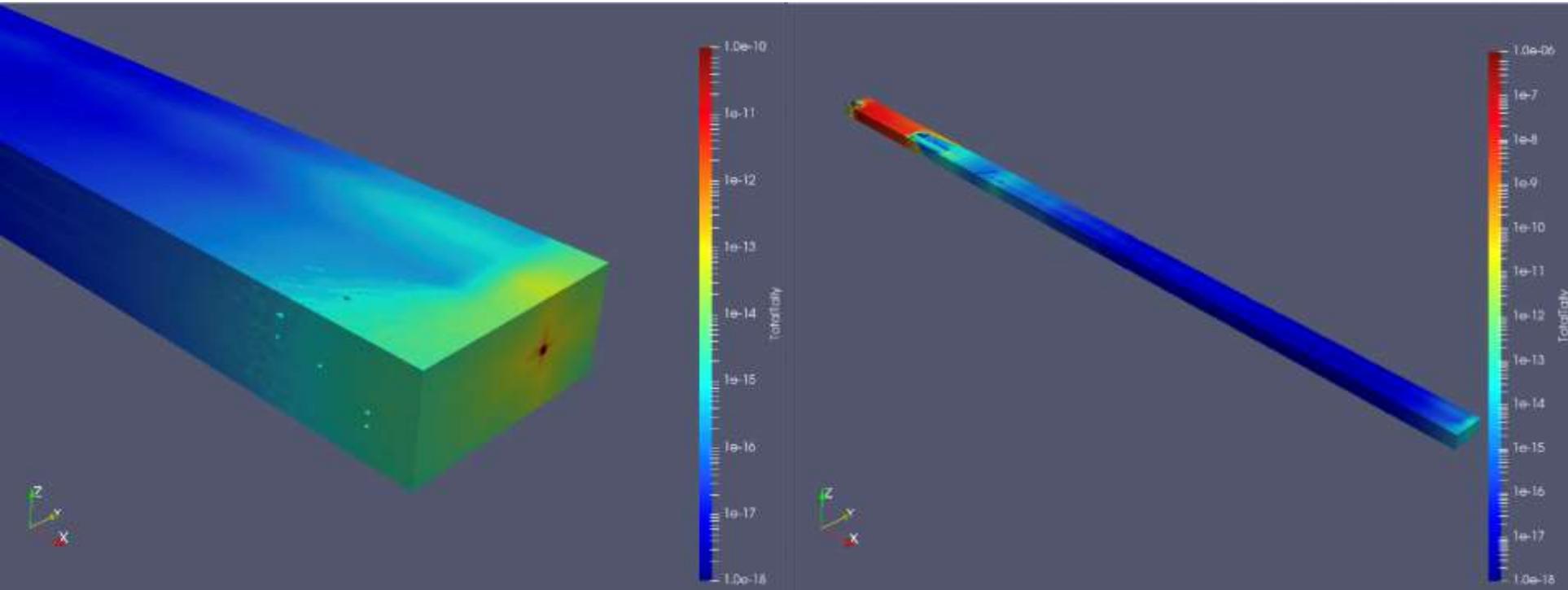
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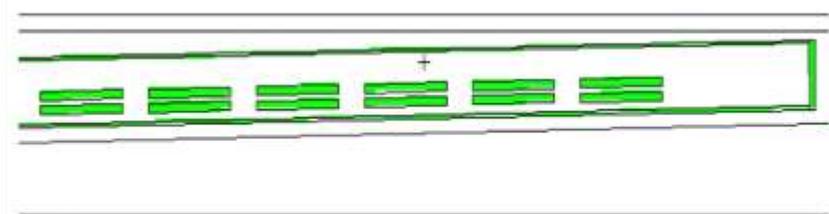
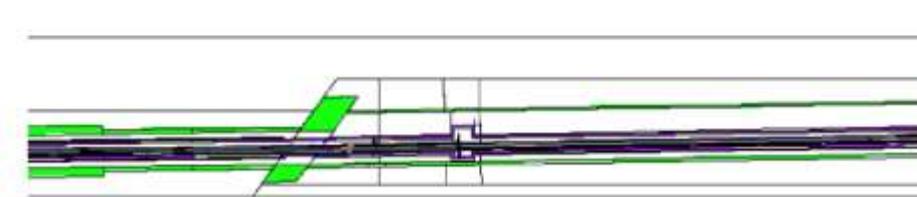
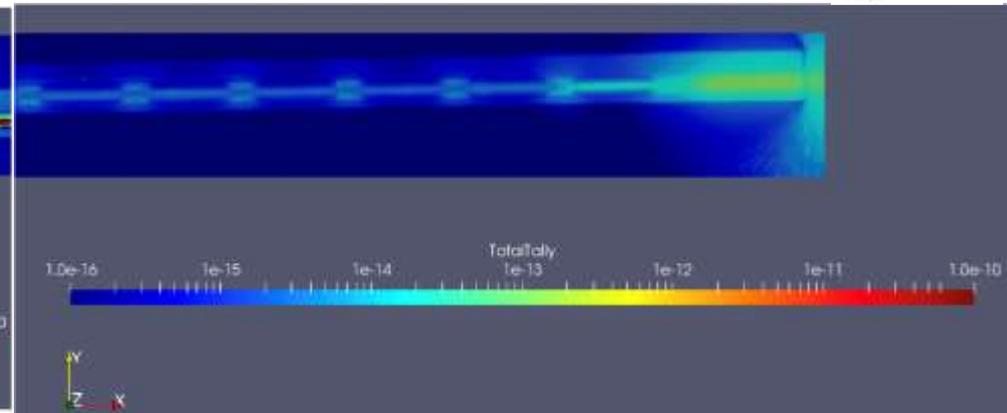
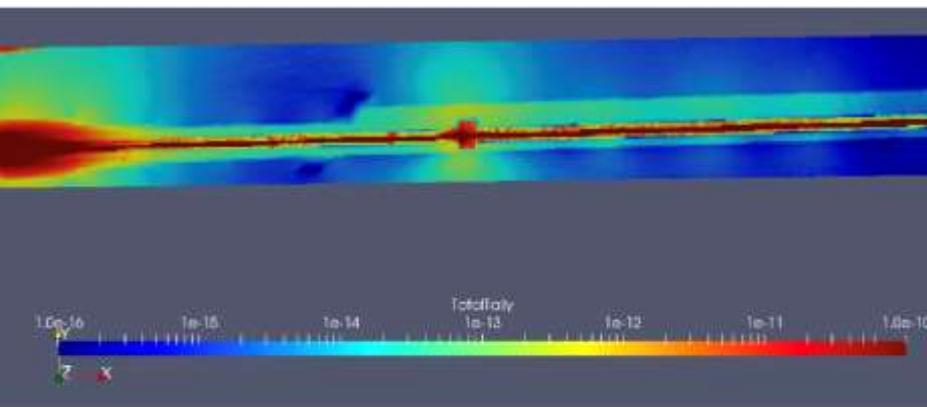
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- 1F. Gallmeier ORNL, U. Filges PSI - original patch to MCNPX 2.5, Esben Klinkby MCNPX 2.7,
- 2Ryan Bergmann, Emmanouela Rantsiou PSI, stable use of Message Passing Interface parallelisation for MCNPX
- 3Ryan Bergmann, Mguel Magán ESS-Bilbao, improved patch allowing use of variance reduction, i.e. definition of geometrical “area of interest” along / at end of guide for MCNP 6/6.1/6.2

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- Developed solution agrees very well with legacy implementation in MCNPX
- Initial assessment shows 80% speedup of shielding calculations near end of MIRACLES guide
- We have contacted the MCNP team at LANL to enquire about the legal / license terms under which the patch could be distributed

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The resulting executables can be used transparently from within SIMRES, and next official SIMRES release will include MCPL support, plus these McStas plugins.



Example

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Why combine RESTRAX + McStas?



- Independent code validation by performing inter-comparison tests
- Complementarity: Each package includes unique features and models not available in the other two.
- Performance options: For example, efficient sampling strategy allowing fast simulations at a single CPU in SIMRES, versus highly configurable programming environment which is paid off by slower simulations in McStas.



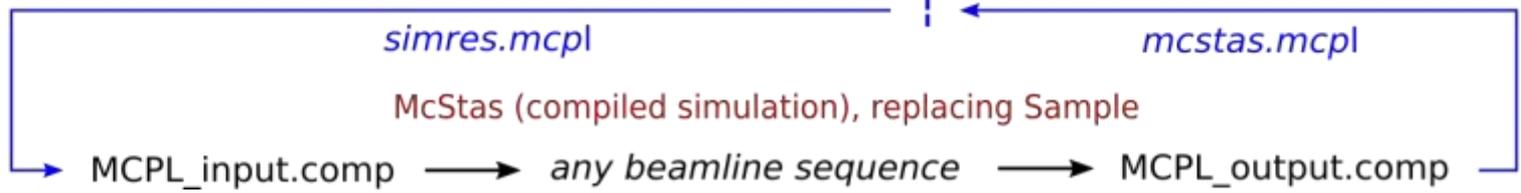
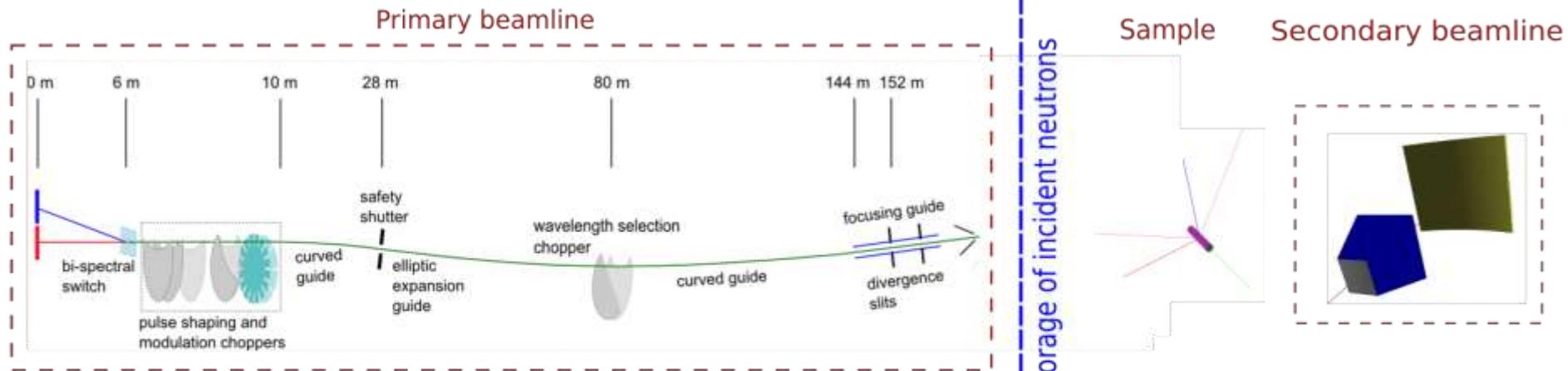
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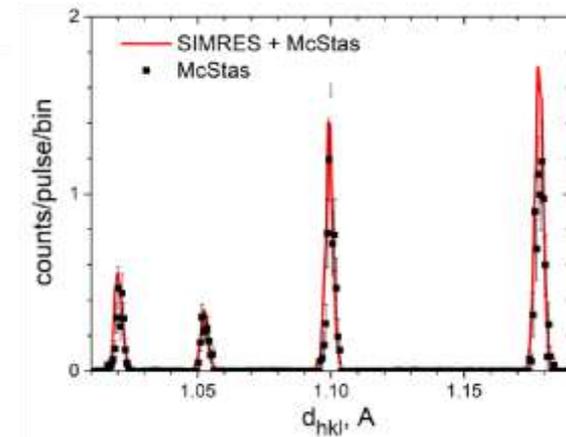
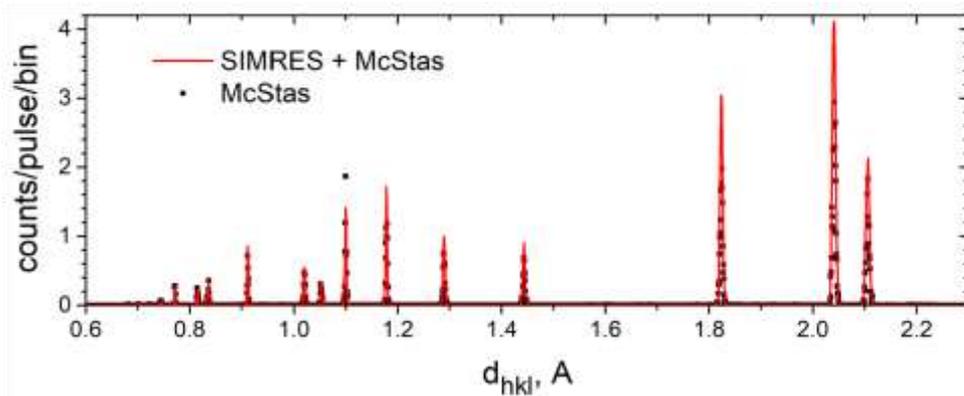
optional forward or reverse tracing

forward tracing





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Figure 2. Diffractograms simulated by the combined SIMRES+McStas ray-tracing (red line) and by McStas only (black points). The detail on the right permits to assess differences, which are within the statistical errors.

Table 1. Comparison of computing times and statistical errors for the primary beam intensity.

	Rel. error (primary beam)	Computing time
SIMRES + McStas	1.1 % 56 s	Substantial speed gain!
McStas	1.8 % 1110 s	

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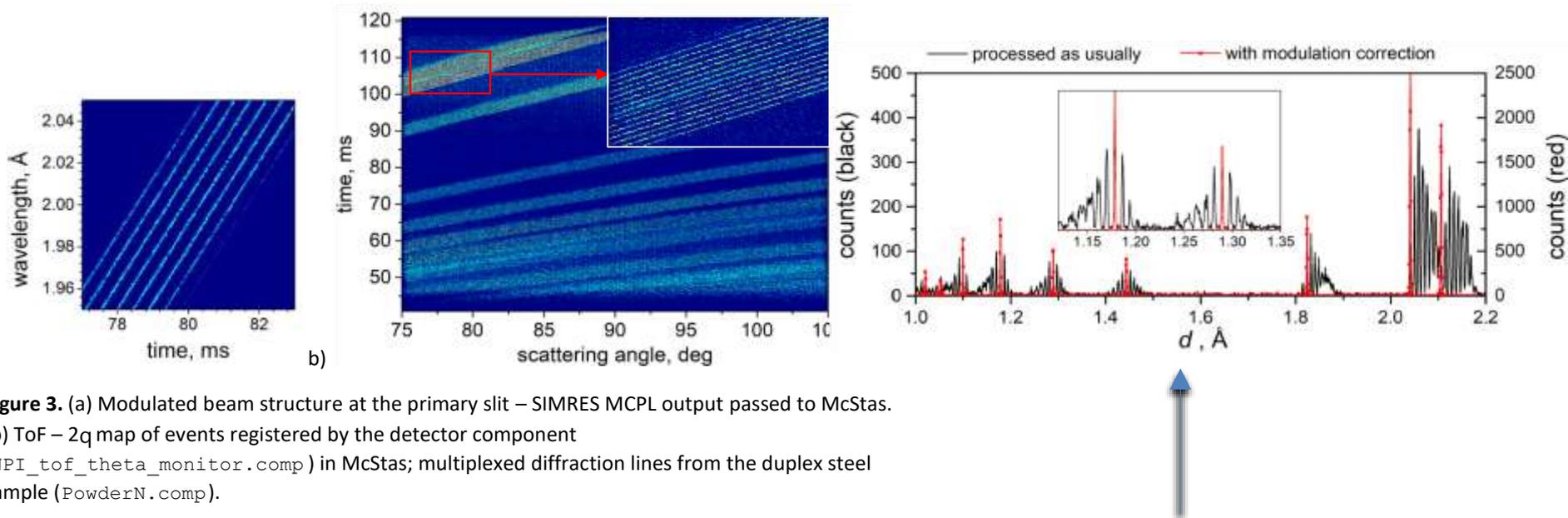


Figure 3. (a) Modulated beam structure at the primary slit – SIMRES MCPL output passed to McStas. (b) ToF – $2q$ map of events registered by the detector component (NPI_tof_theta_monitor.comp) in McStas; multiplexed diffraction lines from the duplex steel sample (PowderN.comp).

a)

Figure 4. Diffractogram produced by the McStas component `NPI_tof_dhkl_detector` with the

Top panel: detector `four`, modulation analysis switched off (black, left scale) and on (red, right scale).



on ->
signals

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Takes advantage of

- Flexibility in McStas-based samples, newly developed combined PowderN-SANS sample

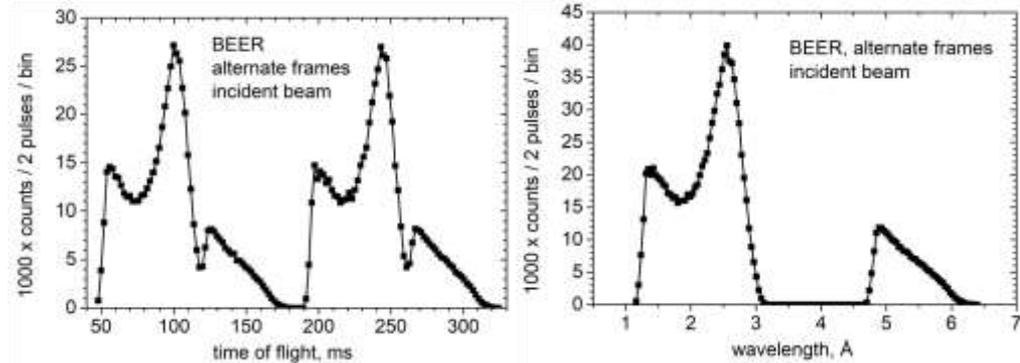


Figure 7. Time structure (left) and spectrum (right) of the primary beam simulated by SIMRES for BEER in the alternating frame mode. It was used as MCPL input to the subsequent McStas simulation of the sample and secondary beamline (see Figure 8).

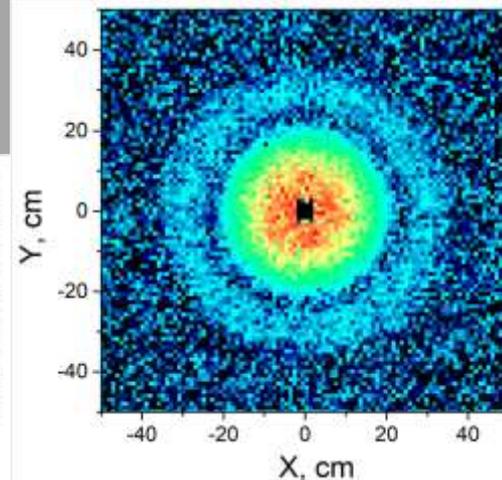
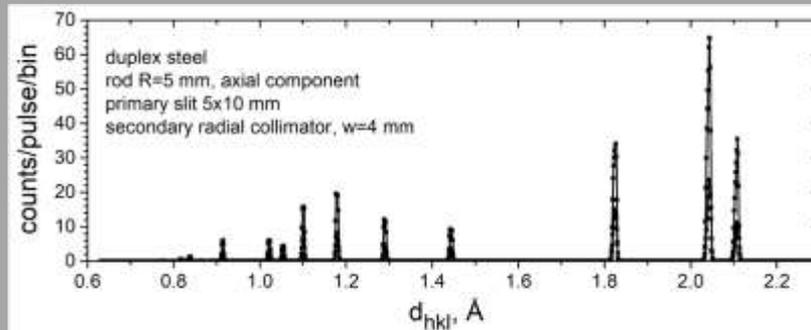


Figure 8. Diffractogram and SANS pattern “measured” simultaneously on the same sample- output of the McStas simulation. This project is funded by the European Union (GA no. 654000).

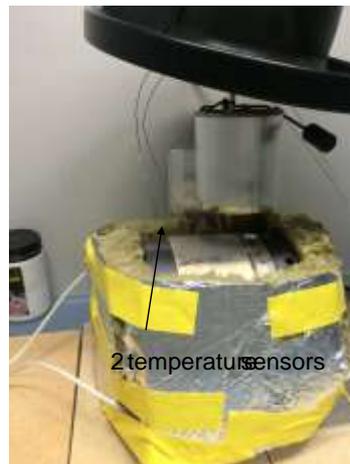
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Background measurements at spallation source SINQ@PSI and small research reactor AKR-2@TU Dresden
Two very different types of facilities

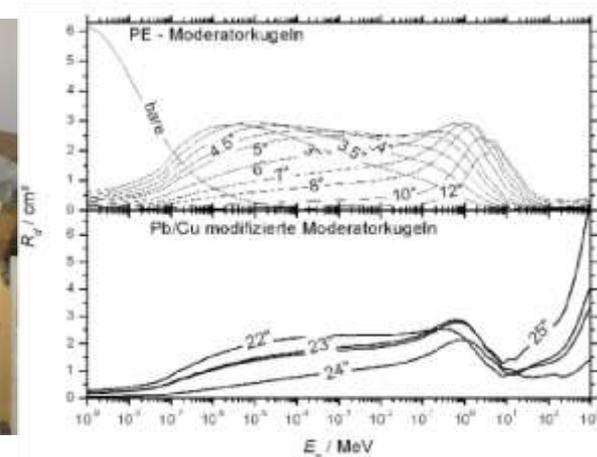
Systematic use of the enhanced Bonner Sphere Spectrometer (BSS)



SINE2020-developed BSS-system with PE moderators, Cu and Pb shells



Temperature controlled heating and cooling (at least 4 times per sphere)



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PSI measurements & simulations

Range -> ~5 GeV!



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Setup in the middle position 2

SINQ neutron guide bunker with the three measurement position

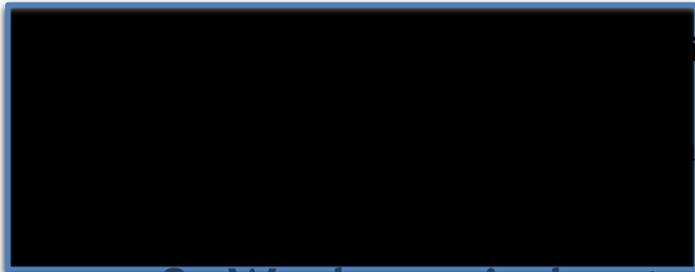
The agreement between simulations and measurement is very good. The small differences in the thermal region could be scattering effects which are not fully implemented in the MCNPX model.

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AKR-2 measurements & simulations

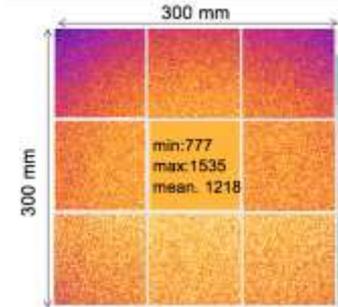
Cross section of the reactor setup and the two measurement positions



Measurement setup at position A

Measurements and Simulations for Position A

Position A, as the
thermal Neutron



flux distribution requires more

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Investigation

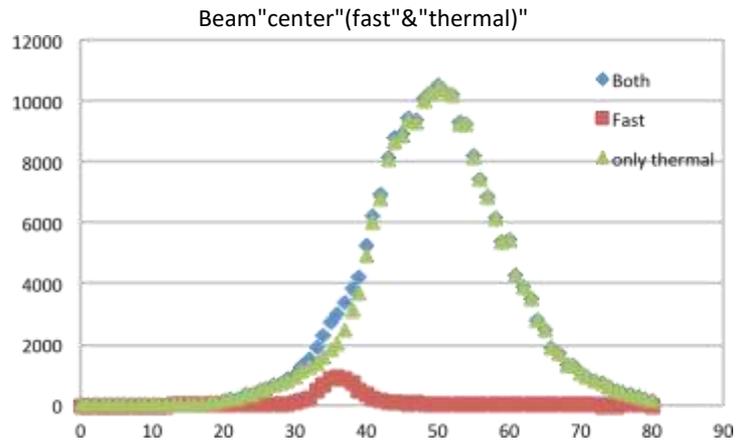


Use of the BSS spectrometer with BOA@PSI

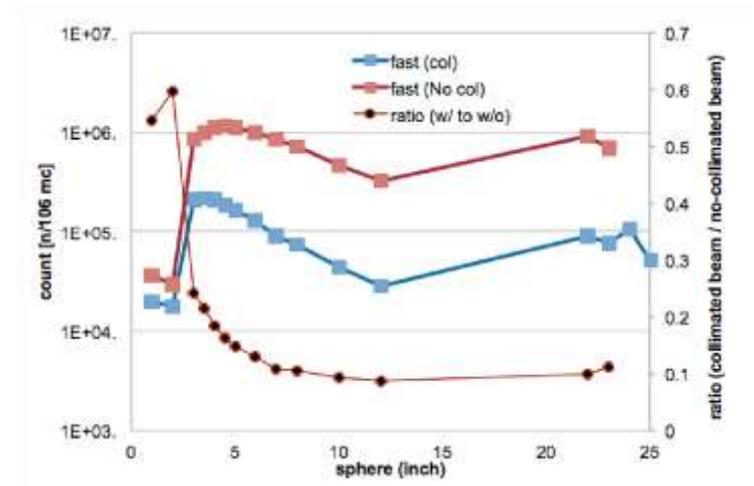


BSS-system with PE moderators and Cu shells

BOA beamline



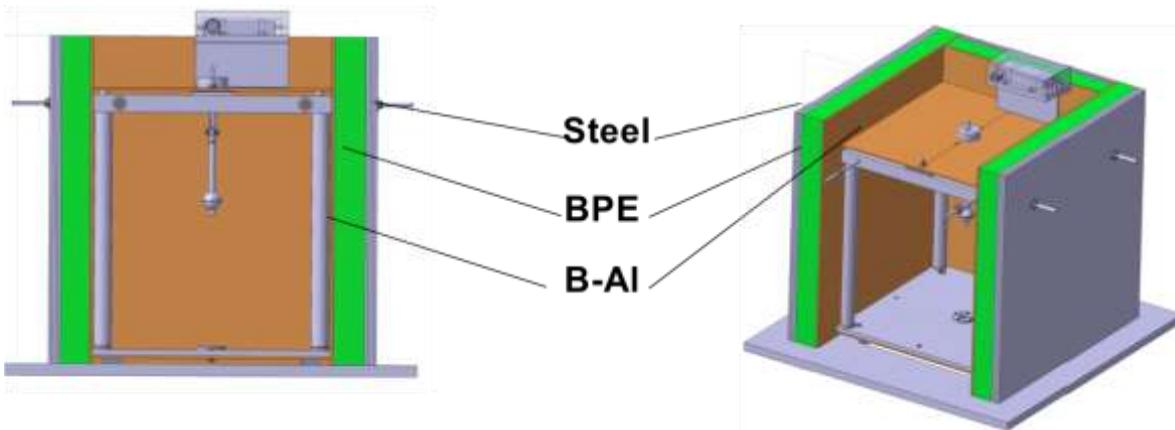
Fast and thermal neutron flux distribution at the BOA beamline



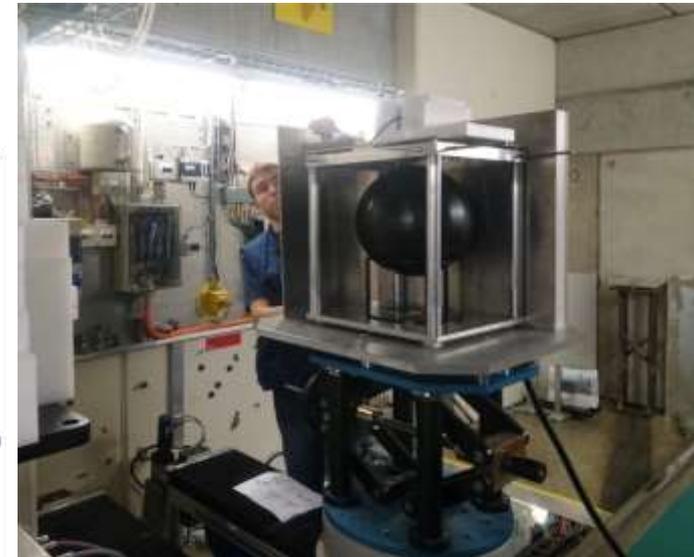
BOA – Fast neutron spectrum measured by the BSS system

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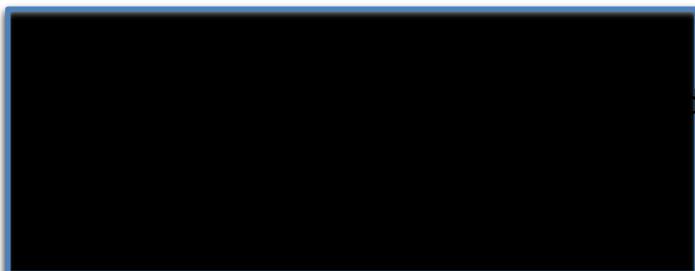
Shielding-box setup



Shielding box for material investigations



Measurement setup at BOA beamline



different directions, e.g. sky-shine vs.

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Figure 8a: Fast neutron transmission

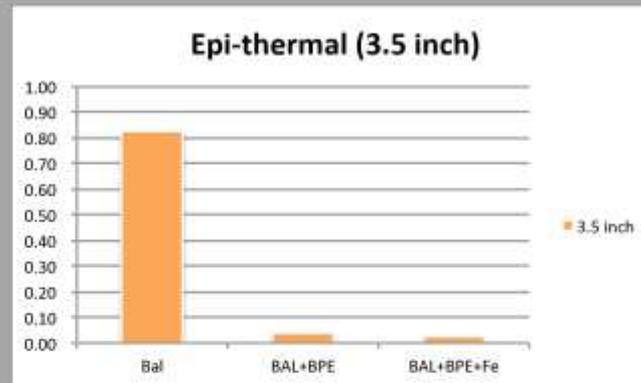


Figure 8b: Epi-thermal neutron transmission

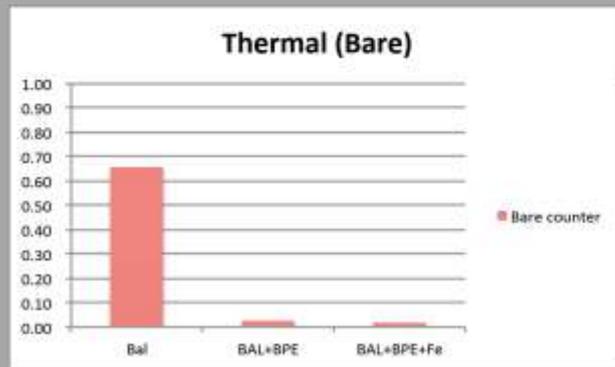
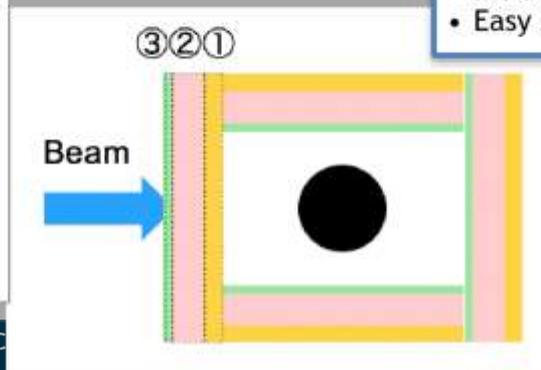


Figure 8c: Thermal neutron transmission



Created for

- Easy decomposition of background from different directions, e.g. sky-shine vs. reflection from floor
- Easy setup/evaluation of laminar setups

- 1 Yellow is steel
- 2 Pink layer is B-PE
- 3 Green layer is BAl

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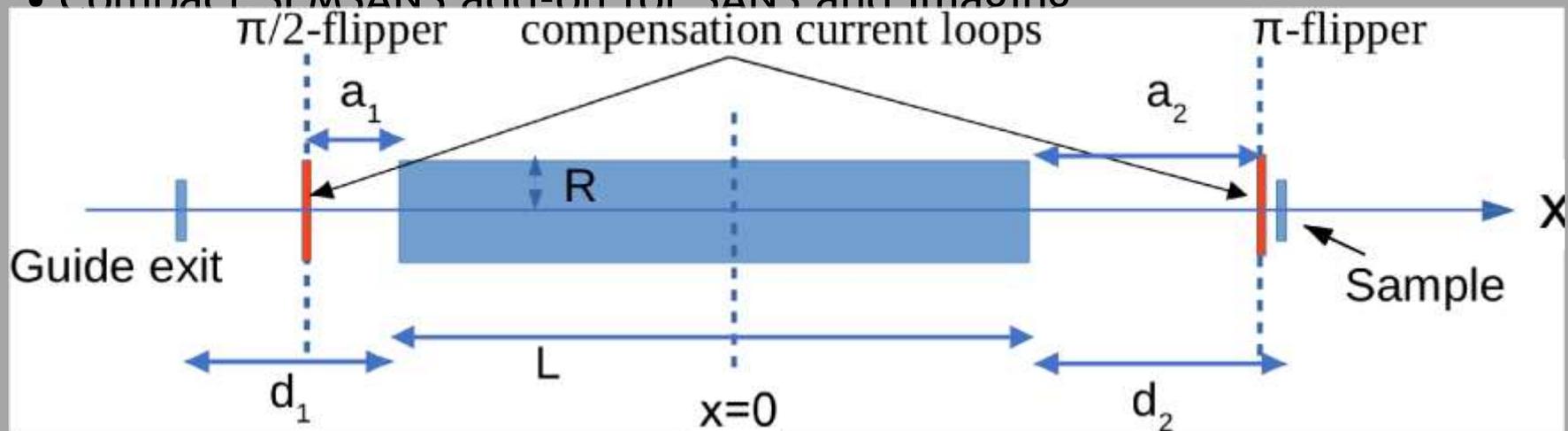


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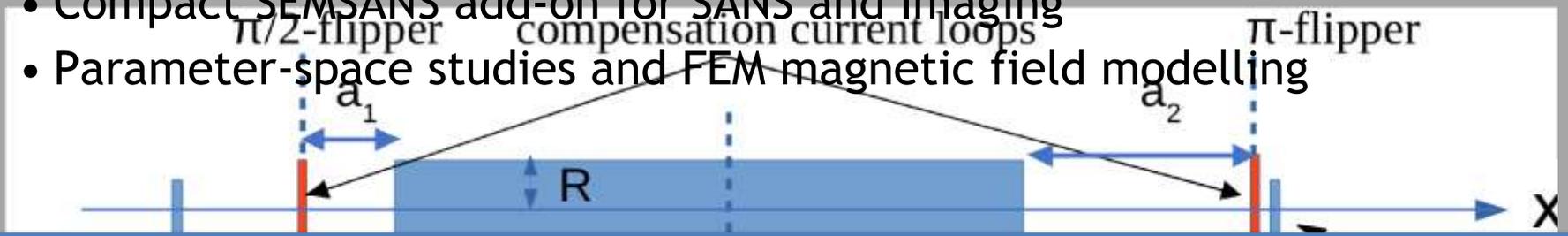
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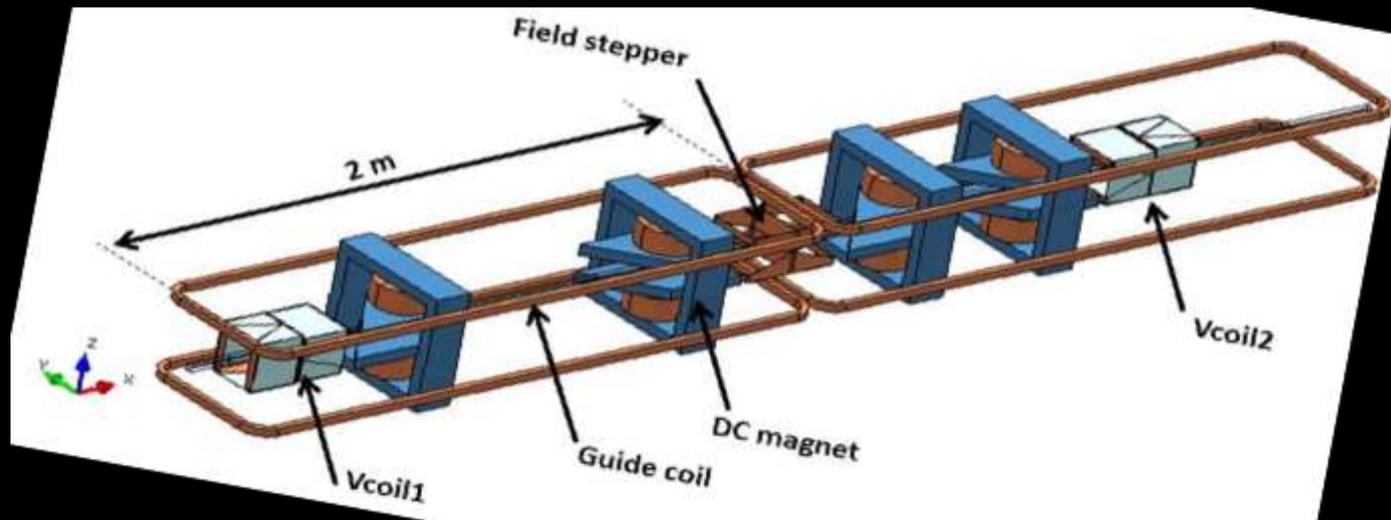
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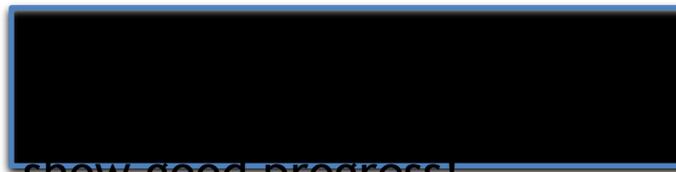
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D8.17	Investigation of different test samples	3 - STFC	Report	Public	42	
D8.18	Comparative Vitess+MCNP simulations	16 - MTA EK	Report	Public	46	
D8.19	Validation of the measurements by Monte Carlo Simulations	15 - ESS-B	Report	Public	48	
D8.20	Final release of all software	13 - DTU	Other	Public	48	



= incoming / being written up



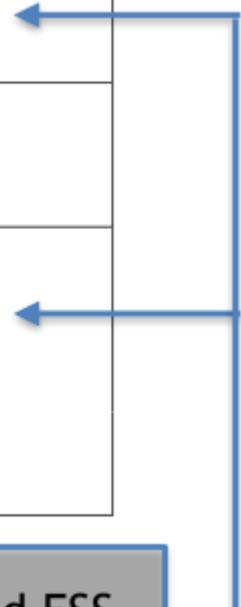
show good progress!



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D8.16	Activation studies, radiation resistance	16 - MTA EK	Report	Public	36
D8.17	Investigation of different test samples	3 - STFC	Report	Public	42
D8.18	Comparative Vitess+MCNP simulations	16 - MTA EK	Report	Public	46
D8.19	Validation of the measurements by Monte Carlo Simulations	15 - ESS-B	Report	Public	48
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Experiment scheduled for mid-June at ISIS. PSI and ESS-Bilbao in close contact on data-evaluation and simulation



Remaining 2





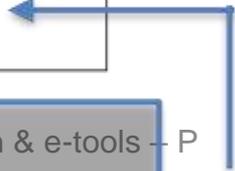
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Wigner staff on track but not at this WP meeting. Will try to get them to **contribute talk and paper** in connection with **ISTSI**



Remaining 3

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Population of GitHub repository in progress:
<https://github.com/McStasMcXtrace/SINE2020WP8>



Impact

- General WP goals:



- Improving understanding signal-to-noise ✓
- **Availability of well-documented software tools and methods**



- Background from high-energy neutrons, challenge for ESS ✓
- **Bonner sphere spectrometer**

- **New material solutions: B-PE, Epument cast, laminar shielding**



- Investigation of Larmor methods at ESS ✓
- **Well-investigated parameter space**

- **SE and SEMSANS concepts devised for use at ESS, promising “IN15 type”, compact SEMSANS add-on for SKADI and dark-field imaging at ODIN WP8 will pave the way for optimised use of ESS.** ✓



Applications **beyond** neutron community: ✓

- MCPL utilisation in other scientific disciplines, e.g. in *[cosmogenics](#) and †plasma physics
- Bonner-sphere spectrometer in use in accelerator physics and nuclear waste storage



*cosmogenics == use of radionuclides produced in-situ by cosmic rays, earth surface science †A. S. Richardson, et al. Phys. Rev. Accel. Beams 22, 050401



KPI values - and current aims...

■ KPI data overview

		Coimbra 2016	ICANS 2017	Other events*	Current sum	ISTSI 2019	... project aim
8 - Instrumentation E-tools	Number of presentations (poster, oral)	0+8	2+5	3+7	25	17	30
	Number of publications	1	2	3	6	16-17?	8-10
	Number of workshop participants	15	10	100	125	28	all > 10

■ We should

- Get current / incoming results written up

*McStas schools at ISIS, ORNL, CSNS, MDANSE2018, ...

Questions?