



# A Consistent Interface for Plasma Calculations from Any Inputs

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# The Problem...

- Plasma Physics is complicated!

## Lots of data sources

- Simulators with different physics (kinetic, multifluid, MHD, ...)
- Observations (not yet implemented in PlasmaCalcs, but it should certainly be doable!)
- Different grids (2D, 3D, rectilinear, curvilinear, ...)
- Curious researchers asking “*what happens if I just change this parameter a bit?*”
- Any arbitrary Dataset (e.g. many artificially-chosen parameters)

## Lots of quantities

$$\begin{aligned} &\vec{E}, \vec{B}, \vec{J}, q, m, \\ &n, \rho, \vec{u}, \vec{p}, T, \beta, \\ &\nu_T, \nu_{alfven}, c_{sound}, \\ &\vec{u}_{drift}, \sigma_H, \vec{u}_H, \sigma_P, \vec{u}_P, \\ &\nu_{s,n}, \kappa_s, \lambda_{Debye}, \lambda_{mfp}, \\ &\dots \end{aligned}$$

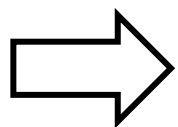
## Lots of operations

$$\begin{aligned} &|\vec{a}|, \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}, \vec{a} \times \vec{b}, \vec{a} \perp \vec{b}, \\ &\frac{\partial}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \nabla f, \nabla \cdot \vec{f}, \nabla \times \vec{f}, \\ &FFT(f), \text{interpolate}, \\ &\text{convolve, stats (min,} \\ &\quad \text{mean, stddev, ...),} \\ &\text{arithmetic (+, -, } \times, \div, \sin, \\ &\quad \cos, \tan, \log, e^x, \dots), \dots \end{aligned}$$

# The Solution: PLASMA

**Consistent Interface**  
across all data sources

GAMERA  
REMIX  
Bifrost  
EPPIC  
...



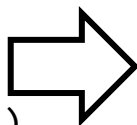
```
cc=GameraCalculator(...)
```

```
cc=RemixCalculator(...)
```

```
cc=BifrostCalculator(...)
```

```
cc=EppicCalculator(...)
```

...



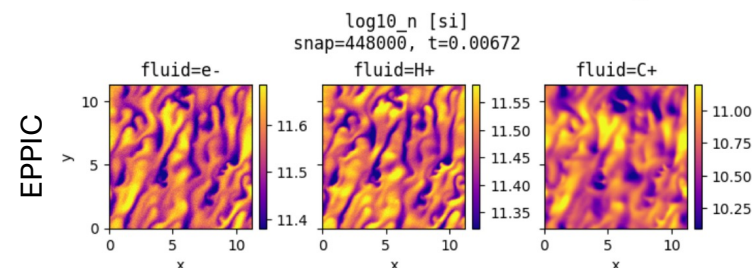
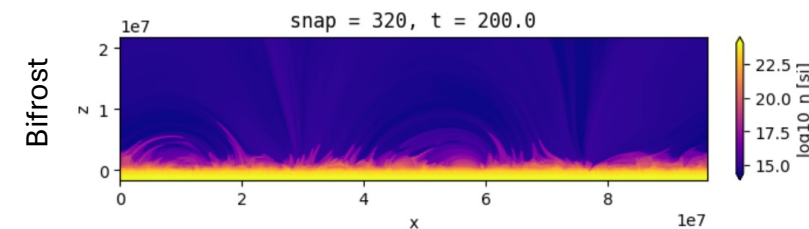
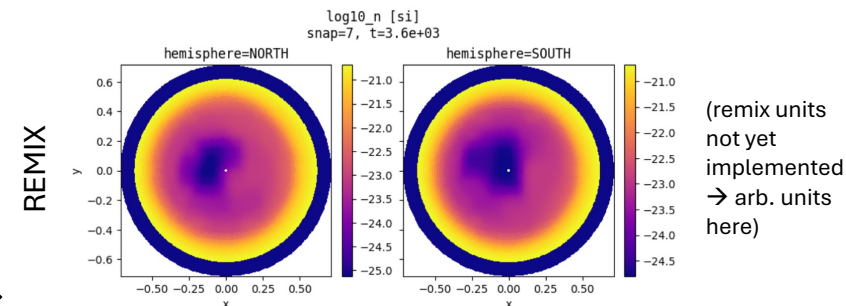
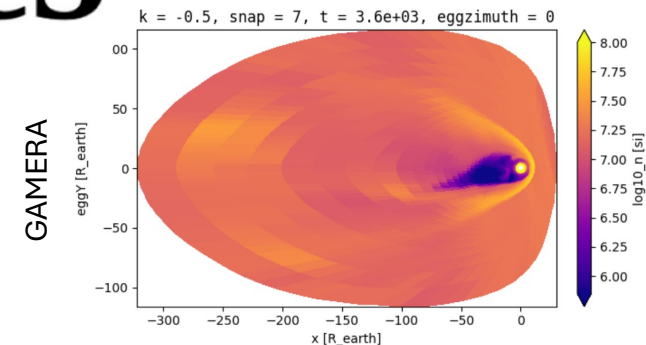
`cc('log10_n')`

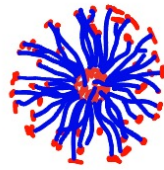
*(or some other quantity!)*



*Lots of operations available!*

*Lots of quantities available!*





# PLASMACALCS

Dimensions and coordinates are attached directly to the data (stored as xarray!)

```
import PlasmaCalcs as pc
rc = pc.mage.RemixCalculator(...)
rc('log10_n')
```

*makes:*

xarray.DataArray 'log10\_n' (snap: 14, hemisphere: 2, theta: 360, radius: 44)

-24.48 -24.48 -24.48 -24.48 -24.48 ... -25.85 -25.85 -25.85 -25.85

▼ Coordinates:

|            |                 |         |                                     |  |  |
|------------|-----------------|---------|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| theta      | (theta)         | float64 | 0.0 0.01745 0.03491 ... 6.248 6.266 |  |  |
| radius     | (radius)        | float64 | 0.01785 0.03569 ... 0.6943 0.7071   |  |  |
| x          | (theta, radius) | float64 | 0.01785 0.03569 ... 0.6942 0.707    |  |  |
| y          | (theta, radius) | float64 | -2.101e-19 -4.337e-19 ... -0.01234  |  |  |
| snap       | (snap)          | object  | 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13     |  |  |
| t          | (snap)          | float64 | -7.2e+03 3.013e-12 ... 7.2e+03      |  |  |
| hemisphere | (hemisphere)    | object  | NORTH SOUTH                         |  |  |

► Indexes: (4)

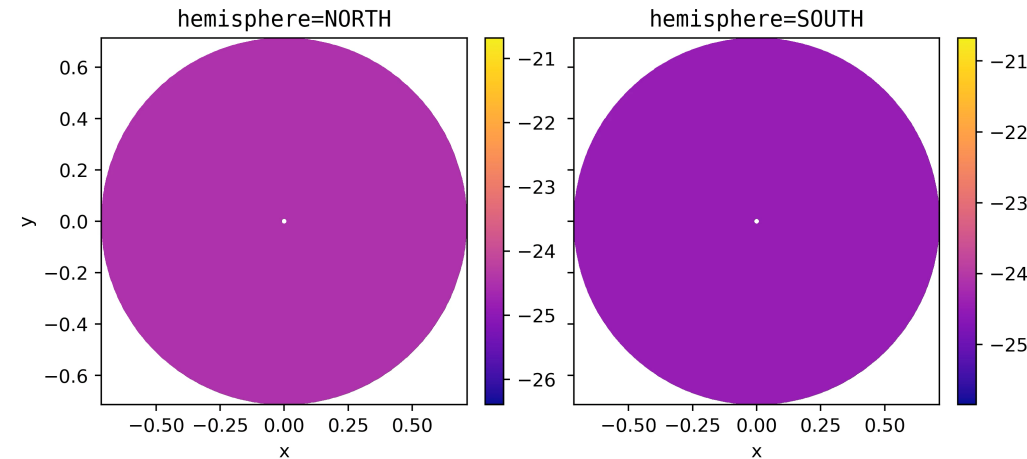
▼ Attributes:

units : si

```
rc('log10_n').pc.subplots().ani()
```

*makes\*:*

log10\_n [si]  
t = -7.20e+03



↖ This is 4D data!  
It is easy to plot using subplots() ↗

*\*renders in-line in Jupyter notebook.  
To save to file, use .save() instead.*

# PLASMACALCS

Slicing is easy! (And, for efficiency, applies before loading\*)

\* Fully implemented for GAMERA, Bifrost, EPPIC;  
Not fully implemented in for REMIX yet

```
import PlasmaCalcs as pc
rc = pc.mage.RemixCalculator(...)
arr = rc('log10_n', snap=8,
        theta=slice(40, None, 10),
        radius=slice(0.2, 0.7),
        hemisphere='NORTH')
```

*pick just one snapshot*

*skip 40 angles & downsample by 10x*

*fractional indexing! 20% to 70%*

*just look at northern hemisphere*

xarray.DataArray 'log10\_n' (theta: 32, radius: 22)

-23.62 -23.58 -23.55 -23.5 -23.42 ... -21.64 -21.43 -21.24 -21.1

▼ Coordinates:

|            |                 |         |                                     |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
|------------|-----------------|---------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| theta      | (theta)         | float64 | 0.6981 0.8727 1.047 ... 5.934 6.109 |    |    |
| radius     | (radius)        | float64 | 0.1775 0.1951 ... 0.5102 0.5255     |    |    |
| x          | (theta, radius) | float64 | 0.136 0.1494 ... 0.5024 0.5175      |   |   |
| y          | (theta, radius) | float64 | 0.1141 0.1254 ... -0.08859 -0.09124 |  |  |
| snap       | ()              | object  | 8                                   |  |  |
| t          | ()              | float64 | 4.2e+03                             |  |  |
| hemisphere | ()              | object  | NORTH                               |  |  |

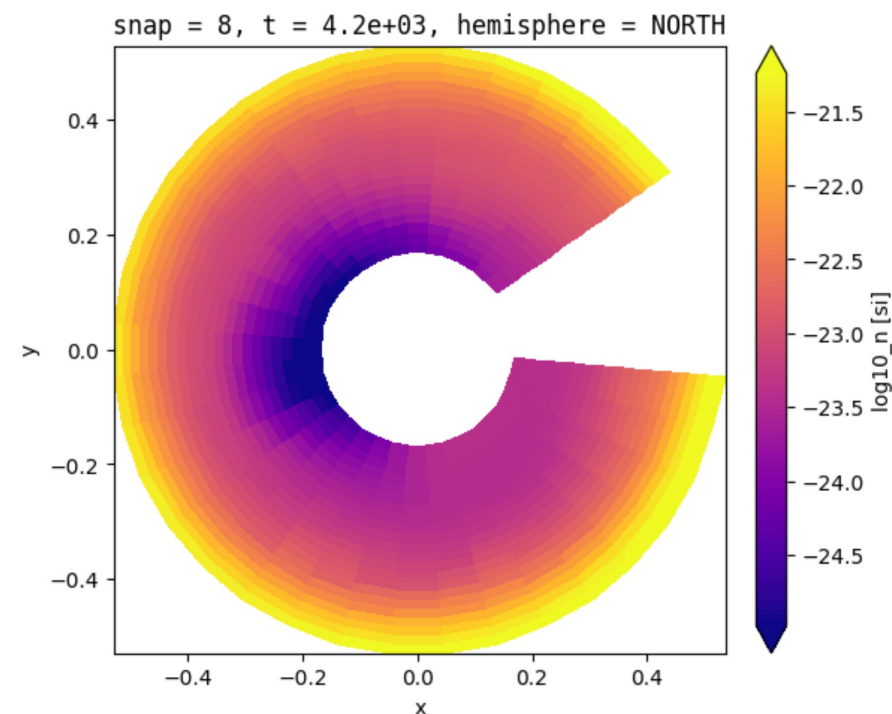
► Indexes: (2)

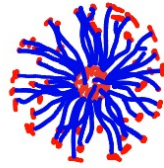
▼ Attributes:

units : si

`arr.pc.image()`

*makes:*





# PLASMACALCS

It is easy to combine lots of operations and to customize behavior!

```
import PlasmaCalcs as pc
ec = pc.EppicCalculator(...)
```

```
ec(' (n/mean_n)-1 ').pc.subplots(vmin=-0.6, vmax=0.6)
```

$$= \frac{n}{\langle n \rangle} - 1$$

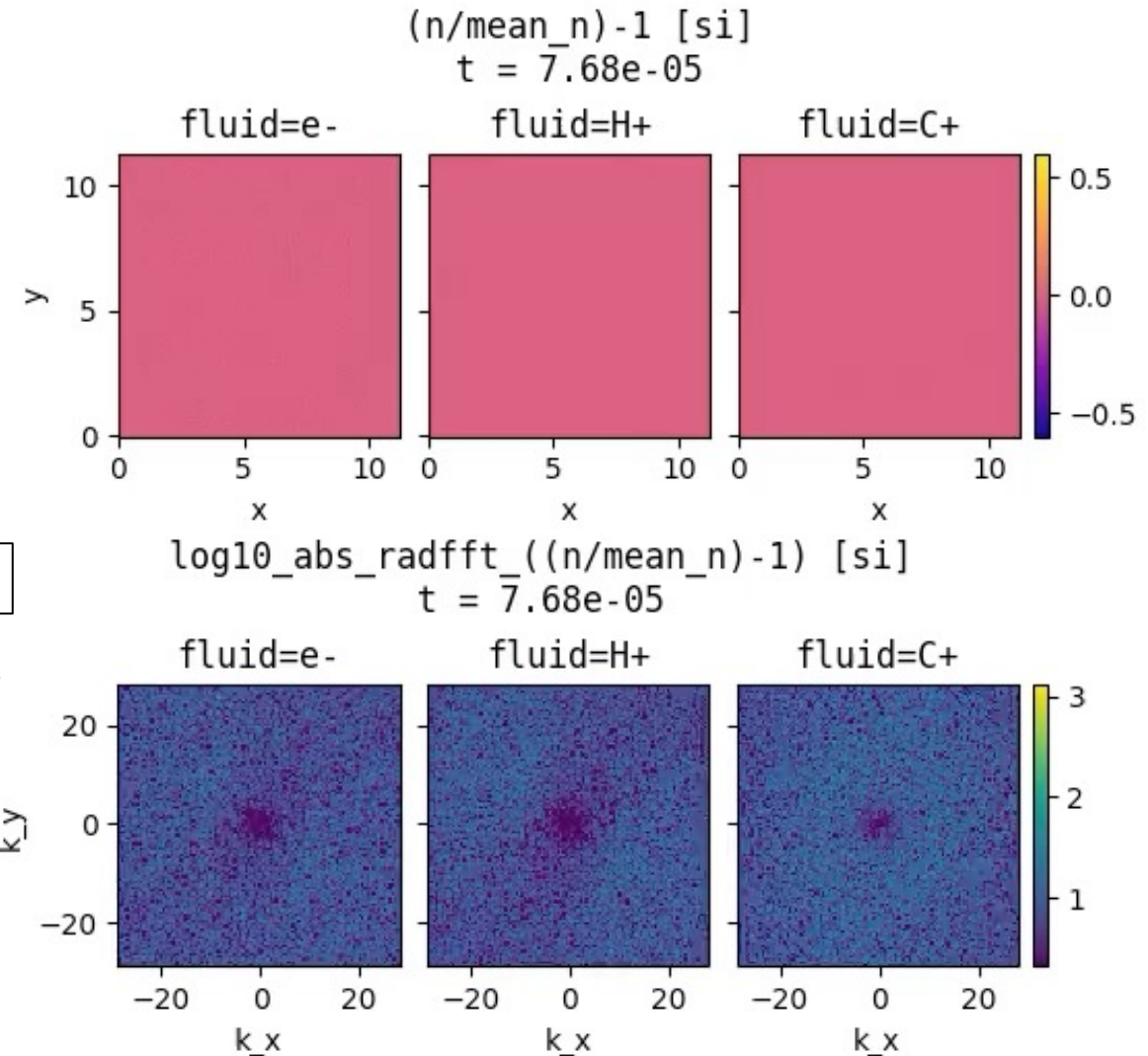
```
arr=ec('log10_abs_radfft_((n/mean_n)-1)', fft_keep=0.2)
```

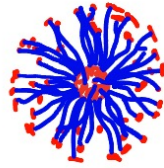
$$= \log_{10} \left| \text{FFT} \left( \frac{n}{\langle n \rangle} - 1 \right) \right|$$

*keeps only the central  
20% of the FFT output  
(here, the rest is just noise)*

```
arr.pc.subplots(cmap='vidiris', share_vlims='all')
```

*shares auto-inferred  
vmin, vmax for all plots*





# PLASMACALCS

“u” (velocity) has vector components (x, y, z) → “component” dimension  
and can be “u” for single fluid (MHD) or multiple species (as shown here) → “fluid” dimension

```
import PlasmaCalcs as pc
ec = pc.EppicCalculator(...)
arr = ec('u', component=['x', 'y'])
```

xarray.DataArray 'u' (snap: 100, fluid: 3, component: 2, x: 512, y: 512)

 -5.718e+03 -9.171e+03 -244.2 ... -2.567e+03 -2.554e+03 -2.555e+03

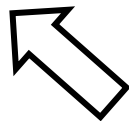
## ▼ Coordinates:

|                  |             |         |                                    |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
|------------------|-------------|---------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>x</b>         | (x)         | float64 | 0.0 0.022 0.044 ... 11.22 11.24    |    |    |
| <b>y</b>         | (y)         | float64 | 0.0 0.022 0.044 ... 11.22 11.24    |    |    |
| <b>snap</b>      | (snap)      | object  | 5120 10240 15360 ... 506880 512000 |    |    |
| <b>t</b>         | (snap)      | float64 | 7.68e-05 0.0001536 ... 0.00768     |    |    |
| <b>fluid</b>     | (fluid)     | object  | e- H+ C+                           |   |   |
| <b>component</b> | (component) | object  | x y                                |  |  |

## ► Indexes: (5)

## ▼ Attributes:

units : si

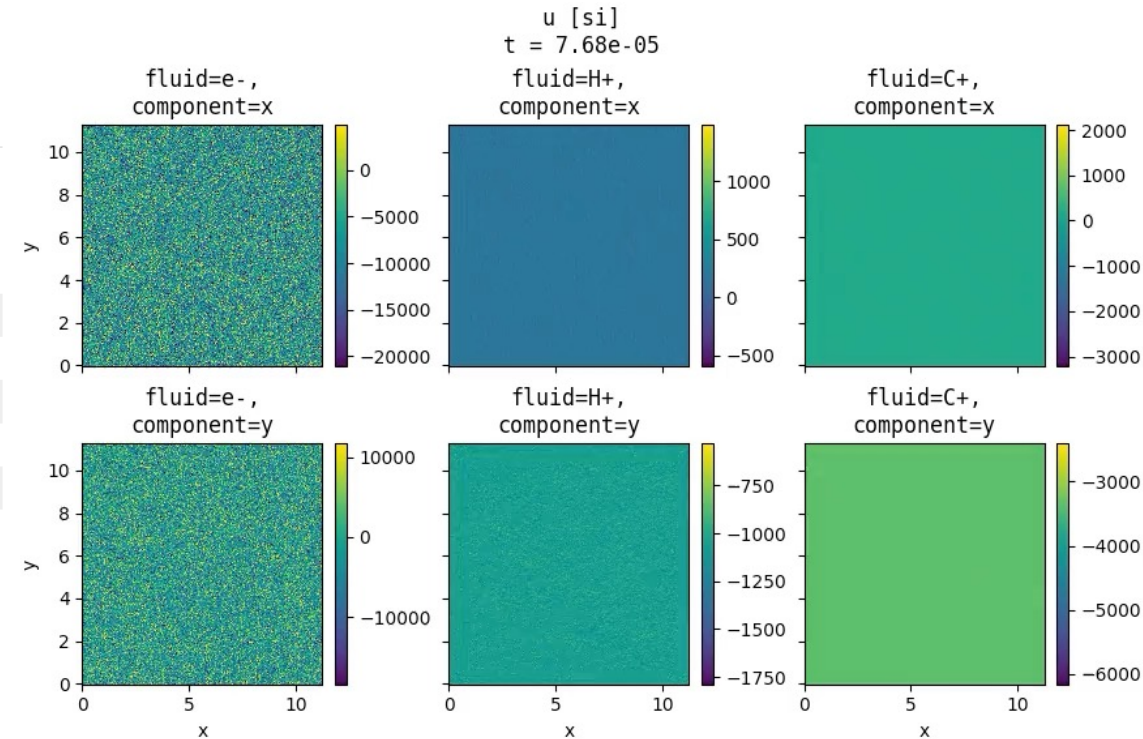


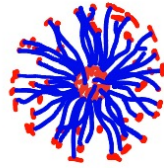
This is 5D data!

It is **also** easy to plot using subplots()



```
arr.pc.subplots().ani()
```





# PLASMACALCS

The underlying grid does not need to be rectilinear!

```
import PlasmaCalcs as pc
gc = pc.mage.GameraCalculator(...)
gc.coords_units = 'R_earth'
gc('n')
```

The grid is 3D along i, j, k

x, y, z coordinates vary across the grid  
(e.g., x varies across i and j)

This grid happens to be  
azimuthally symmetric,  
so we add extra coordinates:

$$\text{azimuth} = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{z}{y} \right)$$

$$r_{cyl} = \sqrt{y^2 + z^2}$$

xarray.DataArray 'n' (snap: 14, i: 48, j: 48, k: 64)

2e+05 2e+05 2e+05 2e+05 ... 1.456e+07 1.456e+07 1.456e+07 1.456e+07

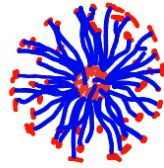
▼ Coordinates:

|         |           |         |                                     |  |  |
|---------|-----------|---------|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| i       | (i)       | int64   | 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 ... 42 43 44 45 46 47 |  |  |
| j       | (j)       | int64   | 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 ... 42 43 44 45 46 47 |  |  |
| k       | (k)       | int64   | 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 ... 58 59 60 61 62 63 |  |  |
| x       | (i, j)    | float32 | 2.199 2.188 2.166 ... -305.5 -305.9 |  |  |
| y       | (i, j, k) | float32 | 0.07921 0.07845 ... 1.768 1.785     |  |  |
| z       | (i, j, k) | float32 | 0.003891 0.01164 ... -0.08769       |  |  |
| azimuth | (k)       | float32 | 0.04909 0.1473 ... -0.1473 -0.04909 |  |  |
| rcyl    | (i, j)    | float32 | 0.0793 0.237 0.3928 ... 5.369 1.787 |  |  |
| snap    | (snap)    | object  | 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13     |  |  |
| t       | (snap)    | float64 | -7.2e+03 0.07049 ... 7.2e+03        |  |  |

► Indexes: (4)

▼ Attributes:

units : si  
coords\_units : R\_earth



# PLASMACALCS

The underlying grid does not need to be rectilinear!

```
import PlasmaCalcs as pc
gc = pc.mage.GameraCalculator(...)
gc.coords_units = 'R_earth'
```

```
arr = gc('egg_log10_n', eggzimuth=[0, np.pi/2])
arr.pc.subplots(share_vlims='all').ani()
```

*special syntax for  
GAMERA in particular,  
to get “egg slice” at a  
given azimuth.*

(Equatorial)  $\text{egg\_log10\_n [si]}$   
 $t = 7.05\text{e-}02$  (Meridional)

$k = -0.5, \text{eggzimuth} = 0$   $k = 15.5, \text{eggzimuth} = 1.57$

*In equatorial slice,  $\text{eggY} = y$   
In meridional slice,  $\text{eggY} = z$*

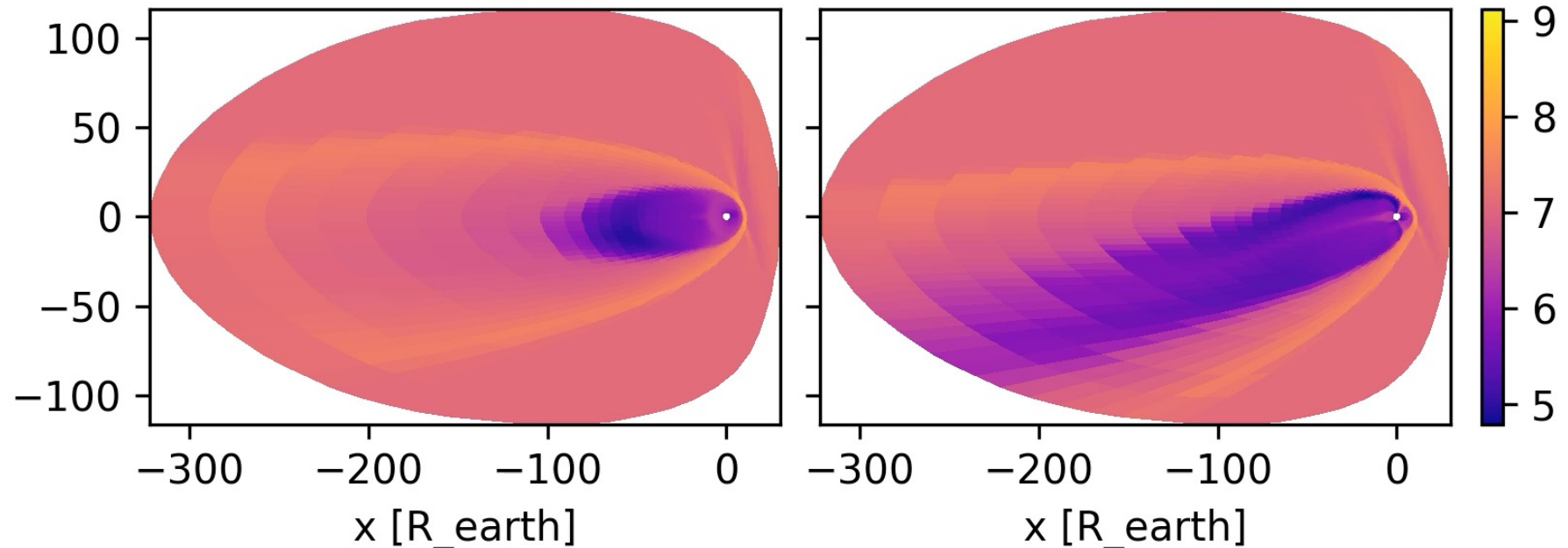
*In general,*

$\text{eggY} = \pm r_{\text{cyl}} = \pm \sqrt{y^2 + z^2}$

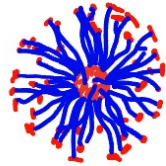
*with sign = +1 in “top half”  
-1 in “bottom half”*



eggY [R\_earth]



**GAMERA-specific details are implemented  
in the gamera subpackage, so they only  
affect GAMERA-related parts of the code!**



# PLASMACALCS

- Internal implementation looks like physical equations!

```
@known_var(deps=['abs_q', 'mod_B', 'm'], aliases=['cyclof', 'omega_c'])
def get_gyrof(self):
    '''(unsigned) gyrofrequency. gyrof == |sgyrof| == |q| |B| / m == |charge| * |B| / mass.'''
    return self('mod_B') * (self('abs_q') / self('m'))
```

m and q might be constants  
or vary with fluid.

B might be constant or vary  
in space or time.

This code handles it all!  
(xarray is very helpful!!!)

- Has custom help systems to learn which options exist!

```
gc.help('gyro')
```

Showing help for related KNOWN\_VARS: ['sgyrof', 'gyrof', 'cyclof', 'omega\_c', 'timescale\_gyrof']

```
'sgyrof':
    signed gyrofrequency. sgyrof == q |B| / m == charge * |B| / mass. Negative when charge < 0.

'gyrof':
    (unsigned) gyrofrequency. gyrof == |sgyrof| == |q| |B| / m == |charge| * |B| / mass.

'cyclof':
    (unsigned) gyrofrequency. gyrof == |sgyrof| == |q| |B| / m == |charge| * |B| / mass.

'omega_c':
    (unsigned) gyrofrequency. gyrof == |sgyrof| == |q| |B| / m == |charge| * |B| / mass.

'timescale_gyrof':
    timescale for cyclotron motion. 2 * pi / gyrof. (Hz, not rad/s)
    gyrof = |q| |B| / m.
```

```
gc.tree('gyrof')
```

```
▼ QuantTree([depth=0, height=2, size=6], obj=MatchedVar('gyrof', deps=['abs_q', 'mod_B', 'm']))
  ▼ QuantTree([depth=1, height=1, size=2], obj=MatchedPattern('abs_q', 'get_abs', deps=[0], groups=['q']))
    ▼ QuantTree([depth=2, height=0, size=1], obj=MatchedVar('q'))
  ▼ QuantTree([depth=1, height=1, size=2], obj=MatchedPattern('mod_B', 'get_mod', deps=[1],
    ignores_dims=['component'], groups=['mod', 'B', None]))
    ▼ QuantTree([depth=2, height=0, size=1], obj=MatchedVar('B', dims=['snap', 'component']))
  ▼ QuantTree([depth=1, height=0, size=1], obj=MatchedVar('m'))
```

```
gc.help_call_options('fft')
```

Showing self.help\_call\_options(): docs for keys from self.kw\_call\_options()  
Only showing keys containing search='fft'

```
-----
'fft_dims': the dims over which to possibly apply fft (FFTLoader methods).
    will only apply fft along these dims for an array if they actually appear in the array.
    None --> use self.maindims. (this is the default.)
    See also: self.fft_dims_for(array).
```

```
'fft_half': alias to self.fft_slices.half
```

```
'fft_keep': alias to self.fft_slices.keep
```

*(fft\_keep option was used  
on a previous slide!)*

```
'fft_slices': the dict of indexers to apply to all fft results from self, by default.
    keys can be a pre-fft or post-fft dimension name,
    e.g. 'x' or 'freq_x' both lead to slicing of the result's 'freq_x' dimension.
    (note if rad=True it would be 'k_x' in the result, and 'x' would apply but not 'freq_x'.)
    all other keys (not a pre-fft or post-fft dimension name) are ignored.
    values can be slice, int, iterable, or non-integer value between -1 and 1.
    fractional values are interpreted as a fraction of the length of the corresponding dimension,
    as per interprets_fractional_indexing. Negative fractions refer to distance from the end.
    e.g., dict(x=slice(-0.3, None, 0.01), y=0.8), where x and y correspond to length 1000,
    would be equivalent to dict(x=slice(-300, None, 10), y=800).
    Can also have special keys (which apply to all fft dims without a specifically-related key):
    keep: fraction of each dimension to keep,
        e.g. keep=0.4 with length=1000 would result in slice(300, 700),
        since that keeps 400 out of 1000 points, and is centered at 1000/2.
    half: dimension(s) along which to keep only the right half of the result.
    step: slice step. Can also be fractional to use fraction of dimension length.
```

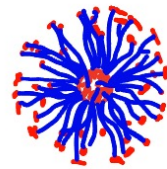
For more help on special keys, see help(self.\_fft\_slices\_cls) or help(FFTSlices)

```
'fft_step': alias to self.fft_slices.step
```



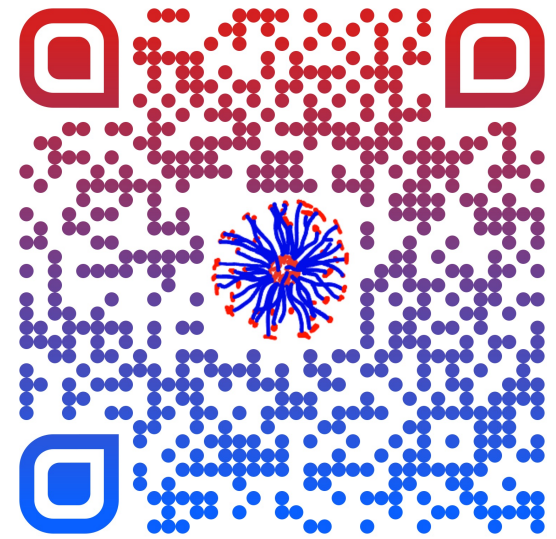
...is most helpful if you spend more time writing code than running code!

- Great at **quickly exploring & visualizing data**, computing derived quantities, navigating many possible options and settings, inspecting intermediate values, and **comparing across different data sources**.
- *Not* centered around “push a button, output standardized plots.”
  - But, if you build a pipeline like that *using* PlasmaCalcs, you get compatibility across many kinds of inputs for free!
- Aims for accuracy, crashes if anything is ambiguous.
- Highly modularized and object-oriented. Shared behaviors are inherited, unique quirks are handled directly where relevant. **Built to grow & support many more kinds of inputs in the future!**



# PLASMACALCS

How to get started or get involved?



[gitlab.com/Sevans7/plasmacalcs](https://gitlab.com/Sevans7/plasmacalcs)

- Find PlasmaCalcs on PyPI, Zenodo, or GitLab
  - Installing is easy! Just: `pip install PlasmaCalcs`
  - Readthedocs pages available online
  - Various example Jupyter notebooks available online, linked in README
- Reach out to us after the talk! Happy to discuss more potential use-cases and possible collaborations
- Join the PlasmaCalcs Slack! (Ask for link)

Thank you for  
your time!!!