

WHERE TO FIND, OR HOW TO GENERATE, ELECTRON COLLISION DATA FOR PLASMA APPLICATIONS

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OVERVIEW

- Types of atomic data
- Who uses electron collision data?
- Why is data provenance important?
- Where to find electron collision data:
 - Literature
 - Databases
- How to generate electron collision data:
 - Experiment } Collaboration
 - Theory } Collaboration
 - AMOS Gateway } On your own!

DISCLAIMER



TYPES OF ATOMIC DATA

Atomic Structure

- ▶ Energy Levels
- ▶ Ionization energies
- ▶ Mean radii
- ▶ Oscillator Strengths
- ▶ Transition Rates
- ▶ Polarizabilities

Electron Collisions

- ▶ Excitation cross-sections
- ▶ Ionization cross-sections
- ▶ Momentum-transfer cross-sections
- ▶ Scattering lengths

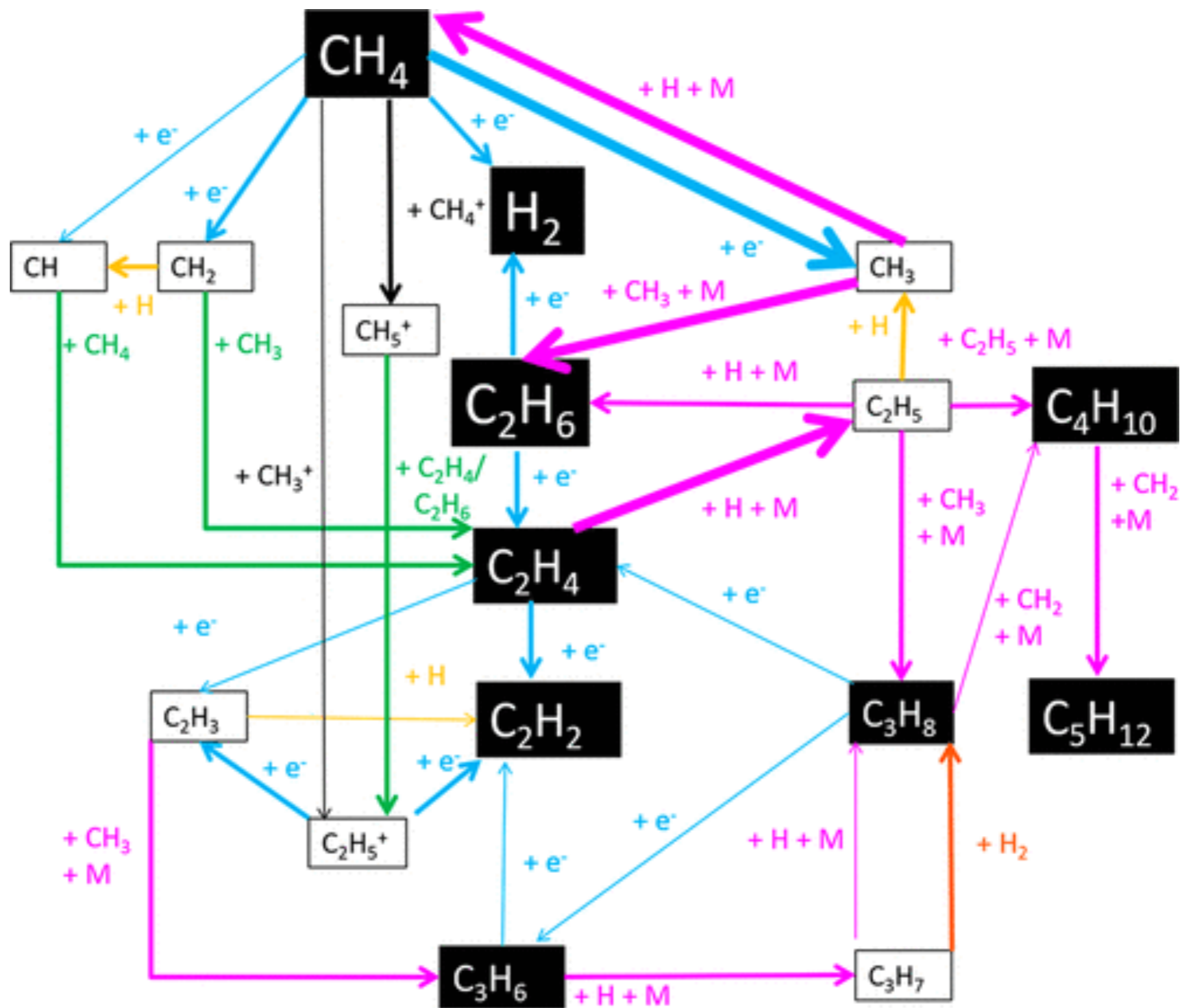
Photon Collisions

- ▶ Ionization cross-sections
- ▶ Dielectric Recombination

WHO USES ELECTRON COLLISION DATA?

- ▶ Other atomic physicists
 - ▶ Comparison with other methods / techniques
 - ▶ Time-dependent calculations
- ▶ Plasma Modellers
 - ▶ Laboratory Plasmas (DPALs, nano-fabrication)
 - ▶ Astrophysical Plasmas (stars, nebulae)
 - ▶ Fusion

WHAT DO THEY NEED?



WHY IS DATA PROVENANCE IMPORTANT?

“Trash in = Trash out”

WHY IS DATA PROVENANCE IMPORTANT?

- Uncertainty Quantification
 - Typical in experimental data
 - “New” concept for theory
- Limitations due to how data was acquired / generated
 - Scope of experiment
 - Amount and type of data available
 - Theoretical approach used

WHERE TO FIND ELECTRON COLLISION DATA?

- In the literature
- Single-application or community databases

ELECTRON COLLISION LITERATURE

- Vast amount
- Difficult to search through
- Incomplete
- Age and data availability

atomic data

About 4,520,000 results (0.07 sec)

electron collision data

About 2,670,000 results (0.24 sec)

electron collision data plasma physics

About 429,000 results (0.16 sec)

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Atomic Spectra Database

NIST Standard Reference Database 78

Version 5.10

Last Update to Data Content: October 2022 | [Version History & Citation Information](#) | [Disclaimer](#) | DOI: <https://dx.doi.org/10.18434/T4W30F>

Welcome to the NIST Atomic Spectra Database, NIST Standard Reference Database #78. The spectroscopic data may be selected and displayed according to wavelengths or energy levels by choosing one of the following options:

LINES

Spectral lines and associated energy levels displayed in wavelength order with all selected spectra intermixed or in multiplet order. Transition probabilities for the lines are also displayed where available.

LEVELS

Energy levels of a particular atom or ion displayed in order of energy above the ground state.

GROUND STATES & IONIZATION ENERGIES

Ground states and ionization energies of atoms and atomic ions.

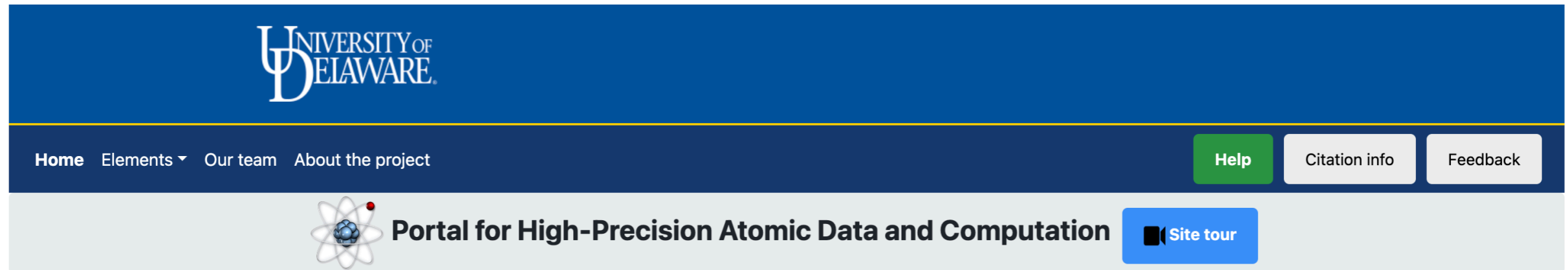
LIBS

ASD Interface for Laser Induced Breakdown Spectroscopy (LIBS)



<https://www.nist.gov/pml/atomic-spectra-database>

DATABASES -PORTAL FOR HIGH-PRECISION ATOMIC DATA AND COMPUTATION



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Click on an element to display its properties

Li	Be ⁺	Cs ⁶⁺	Nd ¹³⁺	Cf ¹⁷⁺
Na	Mg ⁺	Ba ⁷⁺	Sm ¹³⁺	
K	Ca ⁺	Ce ⁹⁺	Sm ¹⁴⁺	
Rb	Sr ⁺	Pr ¹⁰⁺	Sm ¹⁵⁺	
Cs	Ba ⁺	Nd ¹¹⁺	Eu ¹⁴⁺	
Fr	Ra ⁺	Nd ¹²⁺	Cf ¹⁵⁺	



<https://www1.udel.edu/atom/>

DATABASES - CCC

Welcome to the CCC Data Base!

ELEMENT ▾

SP. CHARGE ▾

ELECTRON-IMPACT... ▾

Go to data

Clear

Created by [Igor Bray](#) and [Yuri Ralchenko](#) and modified by Karen Lewis to include magnetic sublevel data for helium

Disclaimer: Chances are that what you want is not here. However, your chances of success increase if you [let me know](#) what is missing! Please note that

- The CCC method yields accurate excitation and ionisation cross sections for atomic and ionic targets which are well-modelled by one or two valence electrons above a Hartree-Fock core.
- Inner core ionisation can be a major contributor to the total ionisation cross section. Such contributions can be estimated using various forms of Born-based approximations. Contact me at I.Bray@curtin.edu.au for details.

<https://atom.curtin.edu.au/CCC-WWW/>



DATABASES - IRON + OPACITY PROJECTS

The Iron Project - The Opacity Project IPOPv2

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The Opacity Project - The Iron Project

The names Opacity Project (OP) and Iron Project (OP) refer to an international collaboration that was formed in 1984 to calculate the extensive atomic data required to estimate stellar envelope opacities and to compute Rosseland mean opacities and other related quantities. It involved research groups from France, Germany, the United Kingdom, the United States and Venezuela. The approach adopted by the OP to calculate opacities is based on a new formalism of the equation of state and on the computation by ab initio methods of accurate atomic properties such as energy levels, f-values and photoionization cross sections. The OP final results are discussed by Seaton et al.

About us - List of members

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<https://cds.unistra.fr/topbase/home.html>

DATABASES -QUANTEMOL DB

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Quantemol-DB website. At the top left is the logo for QDB plasma chemistry. In the top right corner, there are buttons for 'LOG IN' and 'SIGN UP'. A navigation menu below the logo includes 'SPECIES', 'REACTIONS', 'CHEMISTRIES', 'SURFACE DATA', 'LEARN MORE', and 'ADVISORY BOARD'. A secondary menu below that includes 'ABOUT', 'BROCHURES', 'GOLD & PLATINUM' (highlighted in yellow), and 'QUANTEMOL GLOBAL MODEL'. The main content area features the title 'Quantemol-DB' in large orange letters, followed by the tagline 'Trusted chemistries for plasma research.' Below this is a search bar with a 'SEARCH' button. Further down, it displays 'Current Status' as '28273 Reaction data sets' and a 'LEARN MORE »' button. On the right side, there is a 'LATEST NEWS' section and a 'Recent Tweets' section showing a tweet from @quantemol about inviting users to benefit from the model.

<https://quantemoldb.com/>



DATABASES - LXCAT

About the project

The **Plasma Data Exchange Project** is a community-based project which was initiated as a result of a public discussion held at the 2010 Gaseous Electronics Conference (GEC), a leading international meeting for the **Low-Temperature Plasma** community. This project aims to address, at least in part, the well-recognized needs for the community to organize the means of collecting, evaluating and sharing data both for modeling and for interpretation of experiments.

At the heart of the Plasma Data Exchange Project is **LXCat** (pronounced "elecscat"), an open-access website for collecting, displaying, and downloading electron and ion scattering cross sections, swarm parameters (*mobility, diffusion coefficient, etc.*), reaction rates, energy distribution functions, etc. and other data required for modeling low temperature plasmas. The available data bases have been contributed by members of the community and are indicated by the contributor's chosen title.

This is a dynamic website, evolving as contributors add or upgrade data. Check back again frequently.

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PROJECT STATISTICS

Scattering cross sections: 30 databases | 106 x 648 species | 31.5k records | updated: 27 March 2023

Differential scattering cross sections: 4 databases | 29 species | 517 records | updated: 12 March 2019

Interaction potentials: 1 database | 104 x 7 species | 705 records | updated: 30 December 2021

Oscillator strengths: 1 database | 65 species | 150 records | updated: 25 November 2013

Swarm / transport data: 18 databases | 198 x 152 species | 24.2k records | updated: 1 October 2023

Publications, notes and reports: 5 databases | 37 records | updated: 15 February 2022



<https://us.lxcat.net/home/>

HOW TO GENERATE COLLISION DATA

- Collaborate (have someone do it for you)
 - Experiment
 - Theory
- Do it yourself!
 - Probably just theory

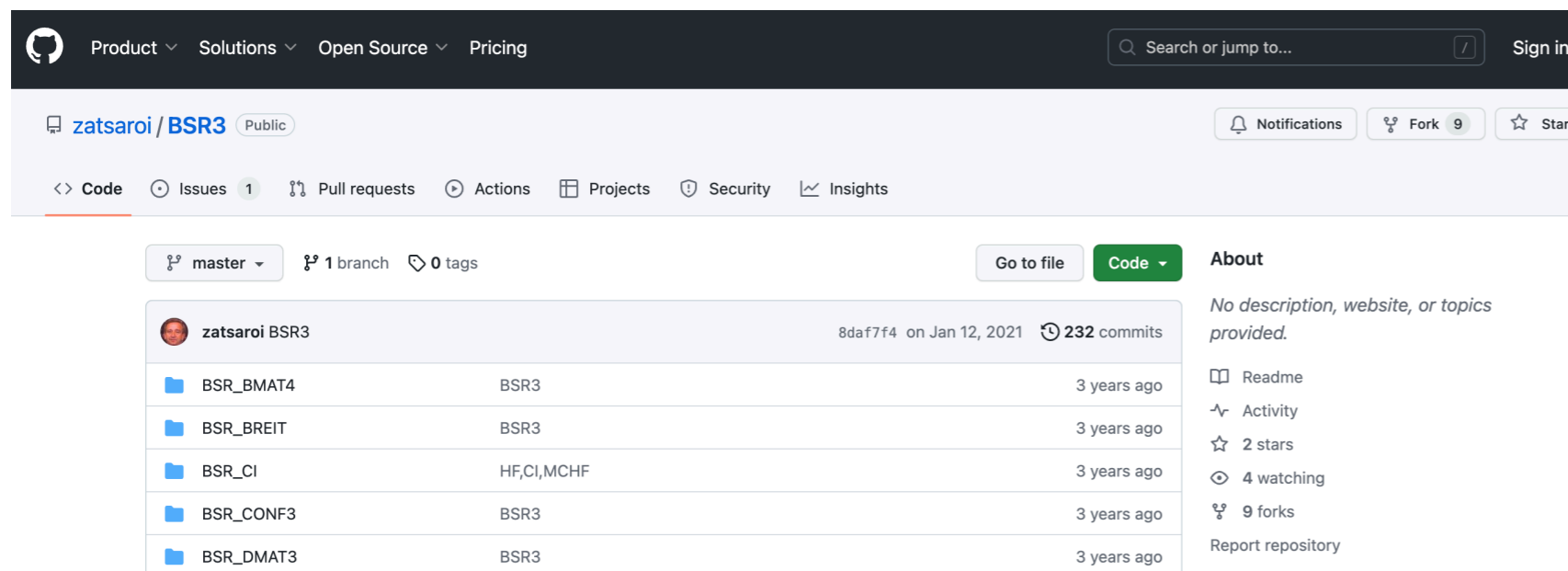
EXPERIMENT

- Few active experimental groups
- Experiments are difficult!
- Resource intensive
- (Sometimes) take longer to produce results than theory
- Fully-differential cross-sections
- Difficult to obtain absolute values

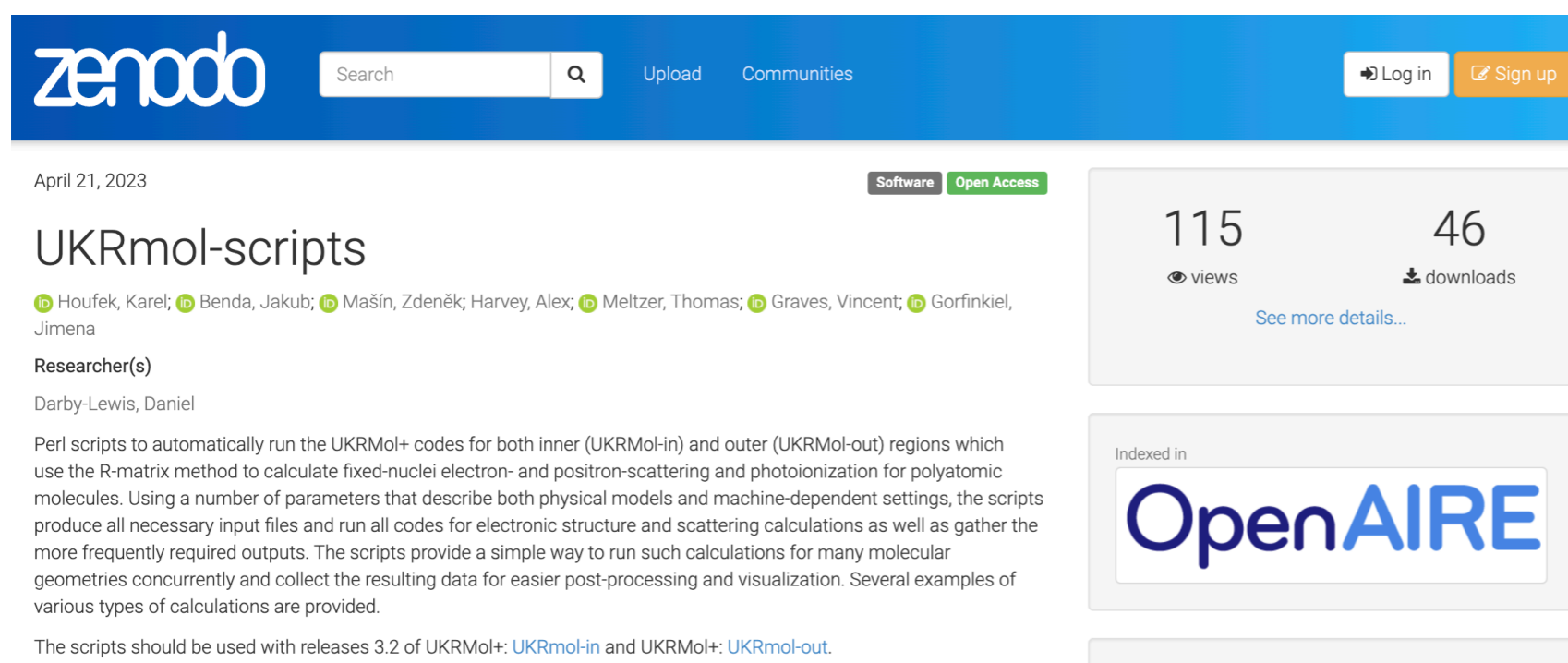
THEORY

- More common than experimental groups
- Difficult to chose which approach?
- Convergence, numerical issues
- Options available for small, fast calculations
- Some calculations are resource intensive, and/or slow to perform
- More complete data sets?

DO IT YOURSELF - OPEN REPOSITORIES



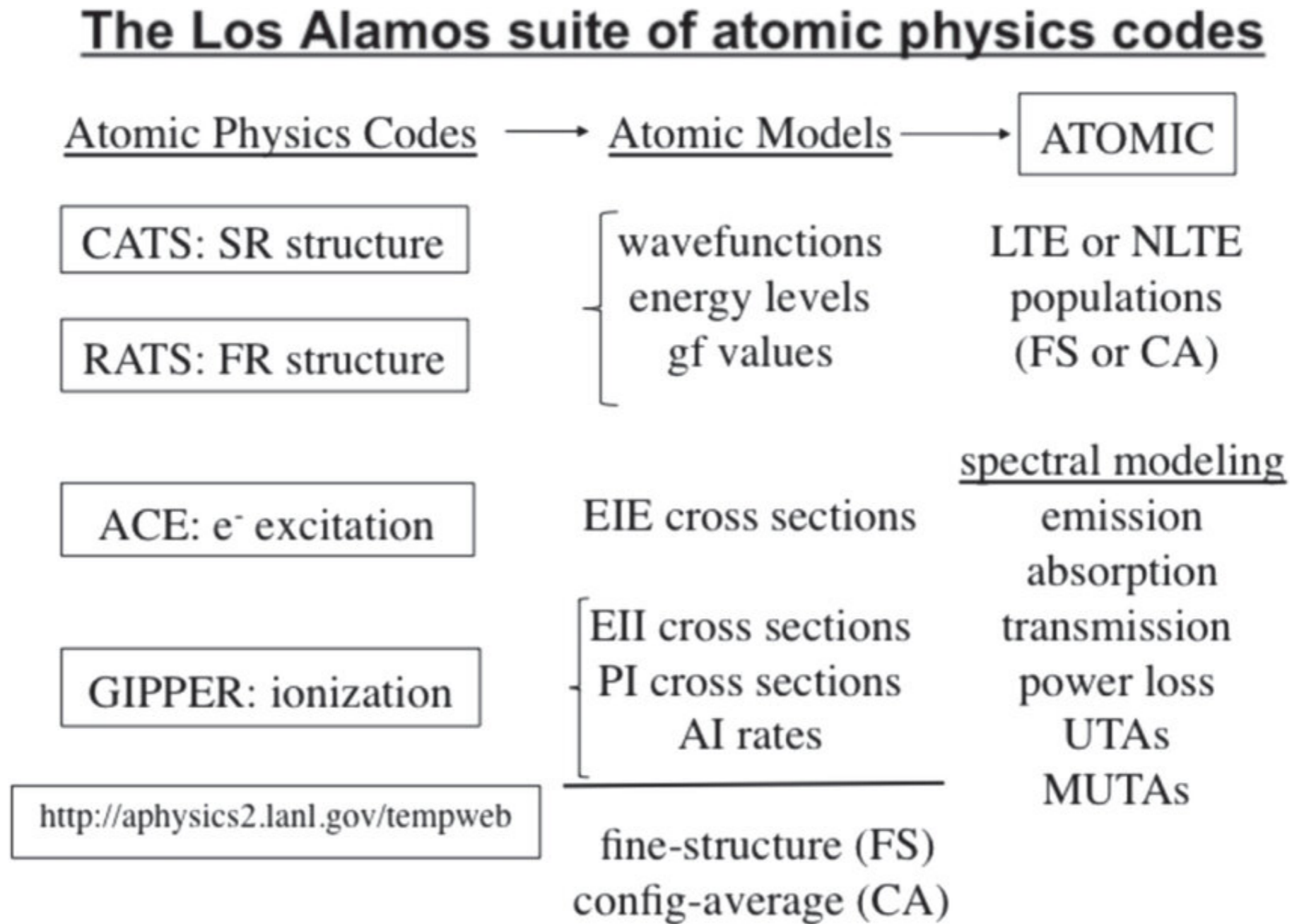
The screenshot shows the GitHub interface for the repository 'zatsaroi/BSR3'. The repository is public and has 232 commits, 9 forks, and 2 stars. It was last updated on Jan 12, 2021. The repository contains five folders: BSR_BMAT4, BSR_BREIT, BSR_CI, BSR_CONF3, and BSR_DMAT3. The 'About' section indicates that no description, website, or topics are provided.



The screenshot shows a Zenodo record for 'UKRmol-scripts'. The record is dated April 21, 2023, and is categorized as 'Software' and 'Open Access'. It has 115 views and 46 downloads. The researchers listed are Houfek, Karel; Benda, Jakub; Mašín, Zdeněk; Harvey, Alex; Meltzer, Thomas; Graves, Vincent; and Gorfinkiel, Jimena. The description states that the scripts are used to run UKRMol+ codes for both inner and outer regions, calculating fixed-nuclei electron- and positron-scattering and photoionization for polyatomic molecules. The scripts are indexed in OpenAIRE.



DO IT YOURSELF - LANL CODES



DO IT YOURSELF (BUT ITS A LITTLE BIT EASIER)

<https://amosgateway.org/>



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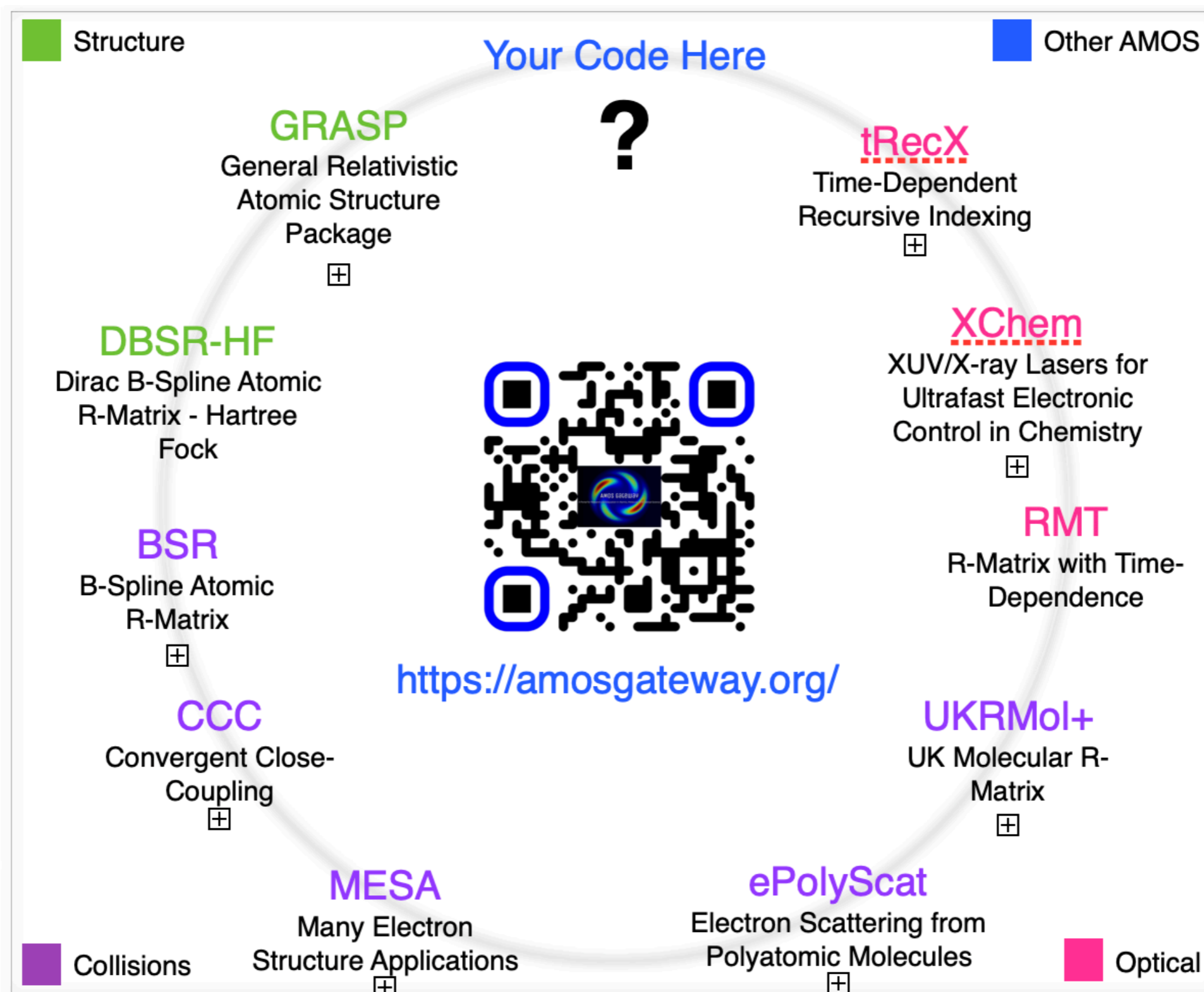
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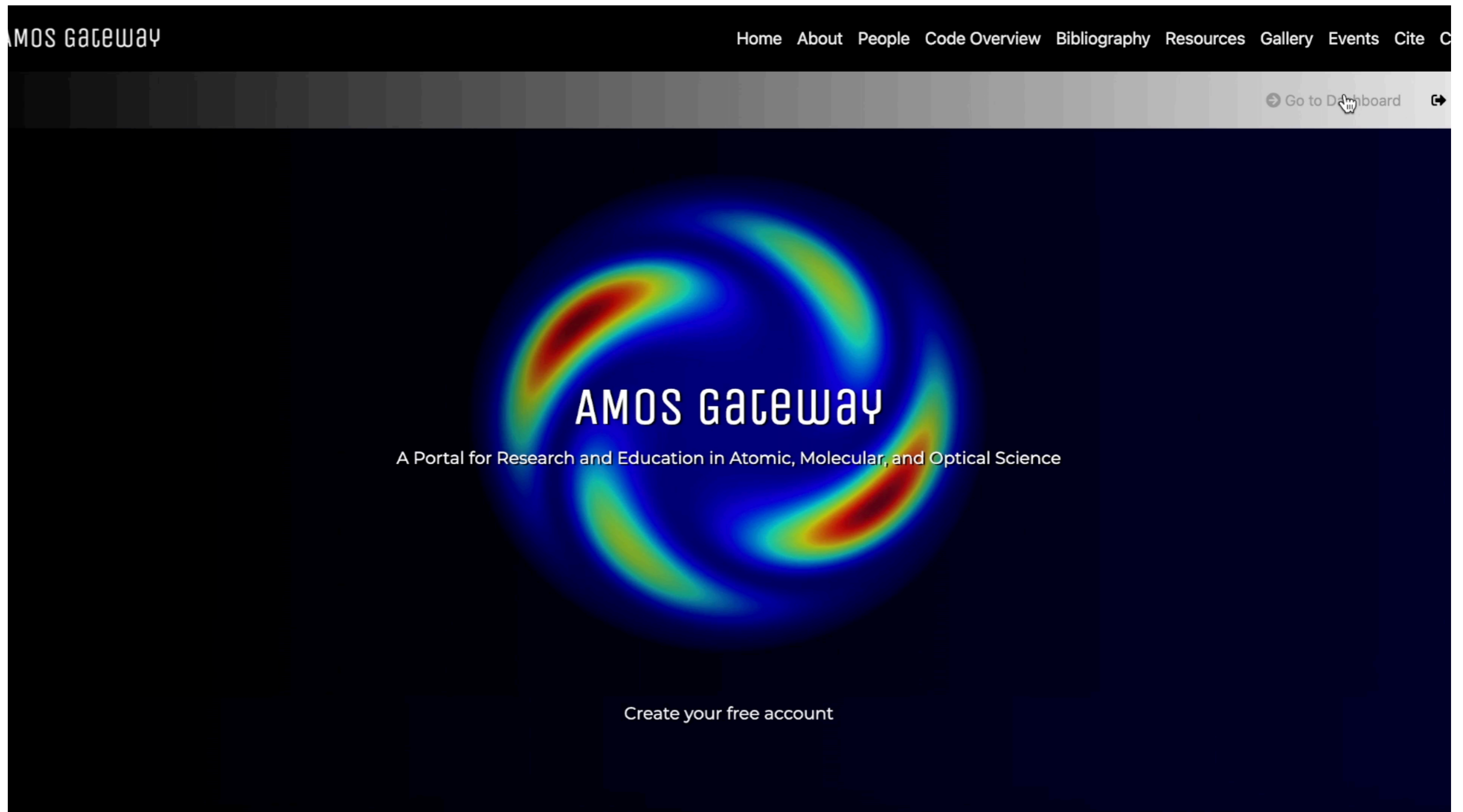
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AMOS GATEWAY



The screenshot shows the homepage of the AMOS Gateway website. At the top, there is a dark navigation bar with the text "AMOS Gateway" on the left and a list of menu items: "Home", "About", "People", "Code Overview", "Bibliography", "Resources", "Gallery", "Events", "Cite", and "C". On the right side of this bar, there is a "Go to Dashboard" button with a right-pointing arrow and a mouse cursor hovering over it. The main content area has a dark blue background. In the center, there is a circular graphic with a colorful, swirling pattern in shades of blue, green, and red. Overlaid on this graphic is the text "AMOS Gateway" in a white, sans-serif font. Below this, in a smaller white font, is the subtitle "A Portal for Research and Education in Atomic, Molecular, and Optical Science". At the bottom center of the page, there is a white button that says "Create your free account".

CONCLUSIONS

- Lots of data out there!
- Important to know the limitations of data you choose to use
- Collaboration is always welcome
- AMOSGateway allows you to try out some scattering codes, even with minimal experience

THANK YOU!



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Slides available on request