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Kinetic Impactor Technique: Benchmark and Validation Studies with iSALE and SPH

Near Earth Object Modelling And Payloads for Protection

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DART & Hera: Benchmark and Validation Studies with iSALE and SPH





- Objective: relate observed orbital change with momentum enhancement and crater morphology for given material properties (low strength regime)
- Shock physics codes simulate different materials; prove accuracy by:
 - \rightarrow validation against experiments
 - → benchmarking codes (iSALE & SPH)



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Benchmark study of DART-like Oblique Impacts on Regolith Targets



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- same material models & parameters for iSALE-3D and SPH
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 - other for all impact angles

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Thank you.

Conclusion

- We have run validation tests in the Hera-relevant low strength regime for iSALE & SPH against experimental results for regolith simulant, including measured values of β
 → both codes agree with independent experimental data in terms of diameter, ejection behaviour and momentum enhancement
- Expanding the **benchmark** to **further materials** (Y_0 =1, 10, 100 kPa, Φ =20-50%) shows **good agreement** between the codes (<23% deviation in β , in agreement to Stickle et al. 2020)
- Deviations for the impact angle scaled momentum between both codes for different **impact angle** are below 9%
- We plan further validations with other materials





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