

A practical resource for common modelling approaches in simulating planetary volatiles



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Modelling the lunar volatile cycle

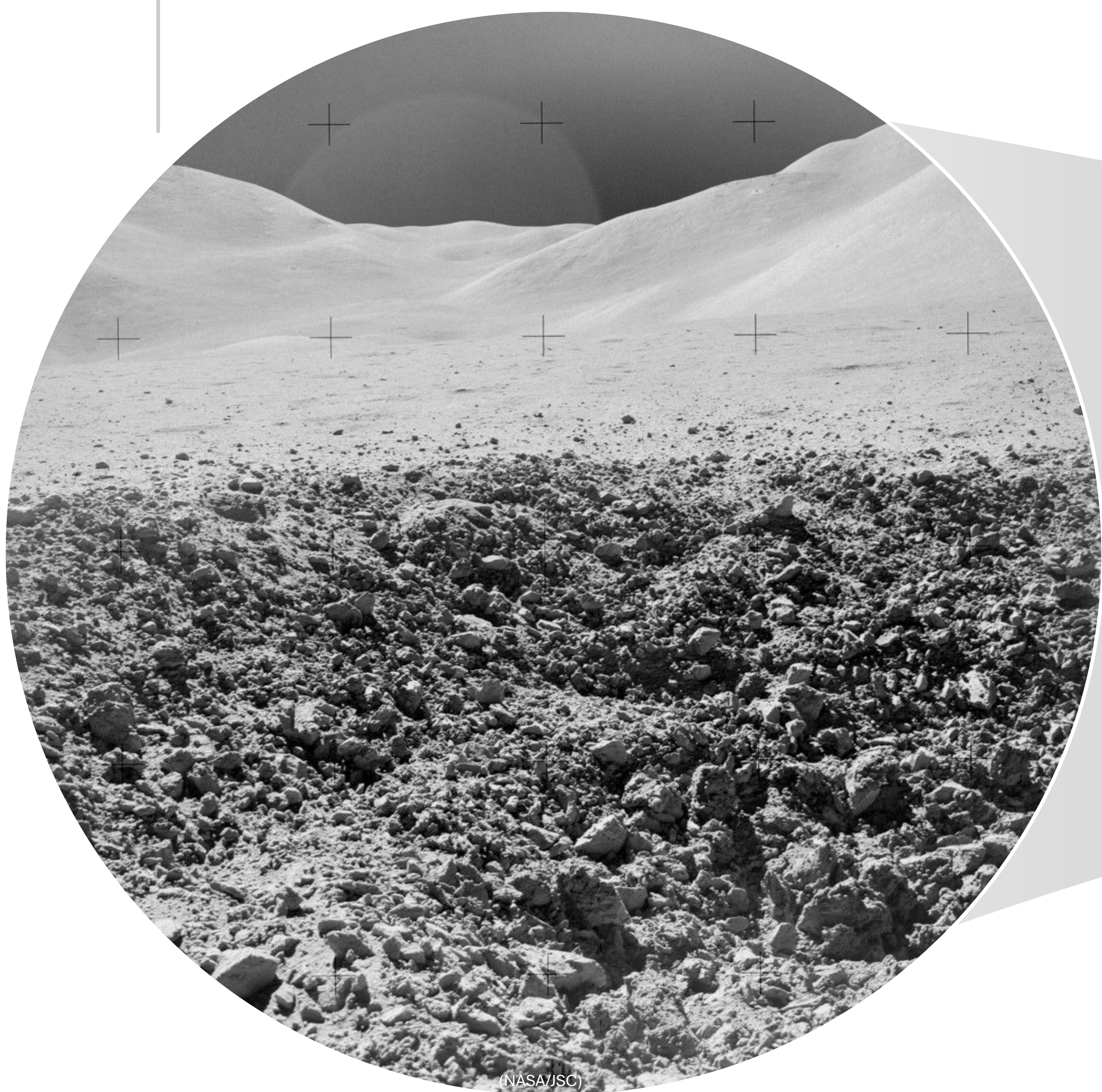
- Lunar volatile science spans **multiple disciplines** across a wide range of **spatial and temporal scales**.
- Methods are often **highly specialised**, applied individually, and reported in fragmented literature.
- Combining methods and models is computationally challenging and requires **suitable simplifications**.

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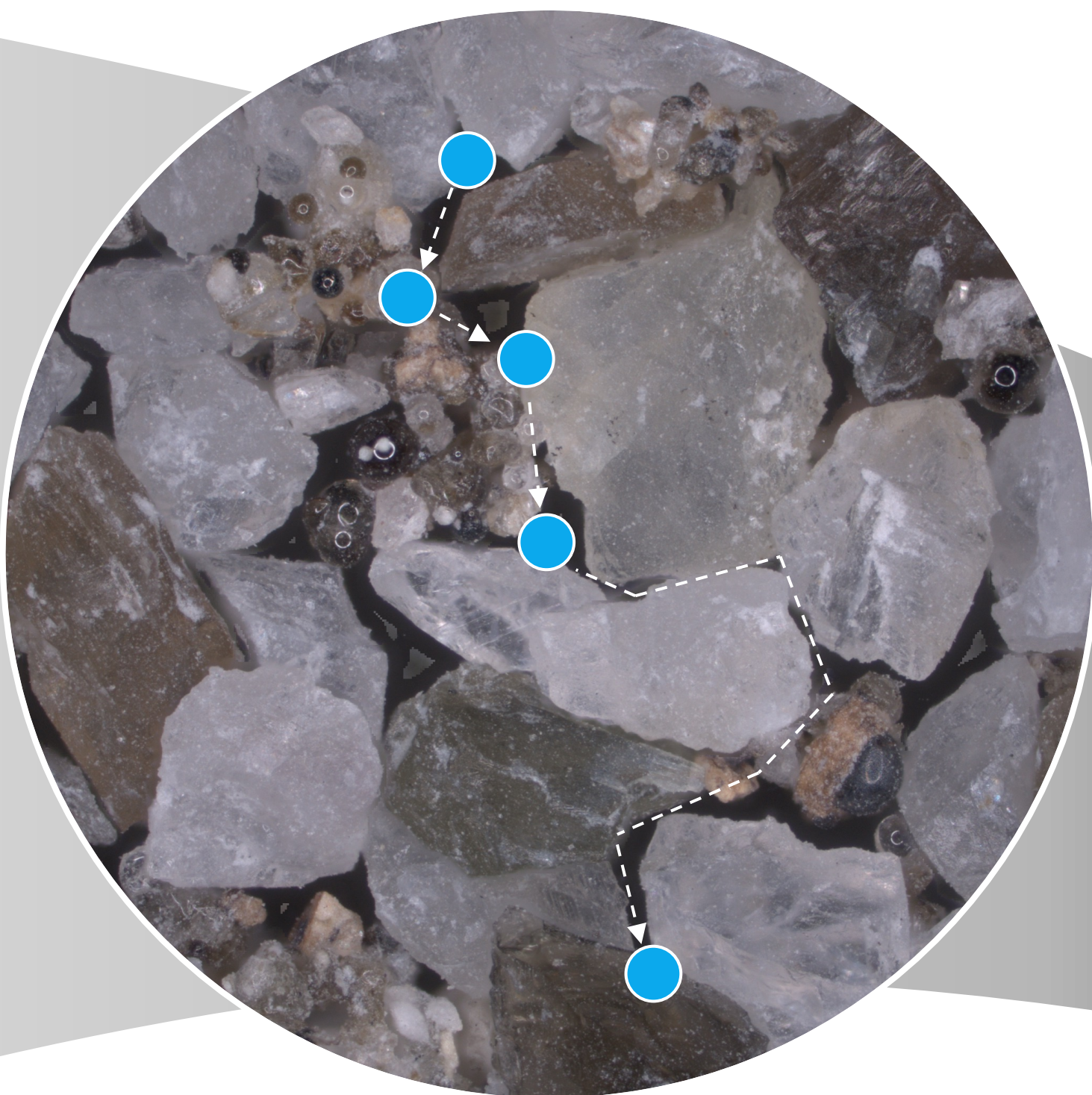
Macro scale

migration processes • ballistic transport •
illumination conditions • accumulation of deposits



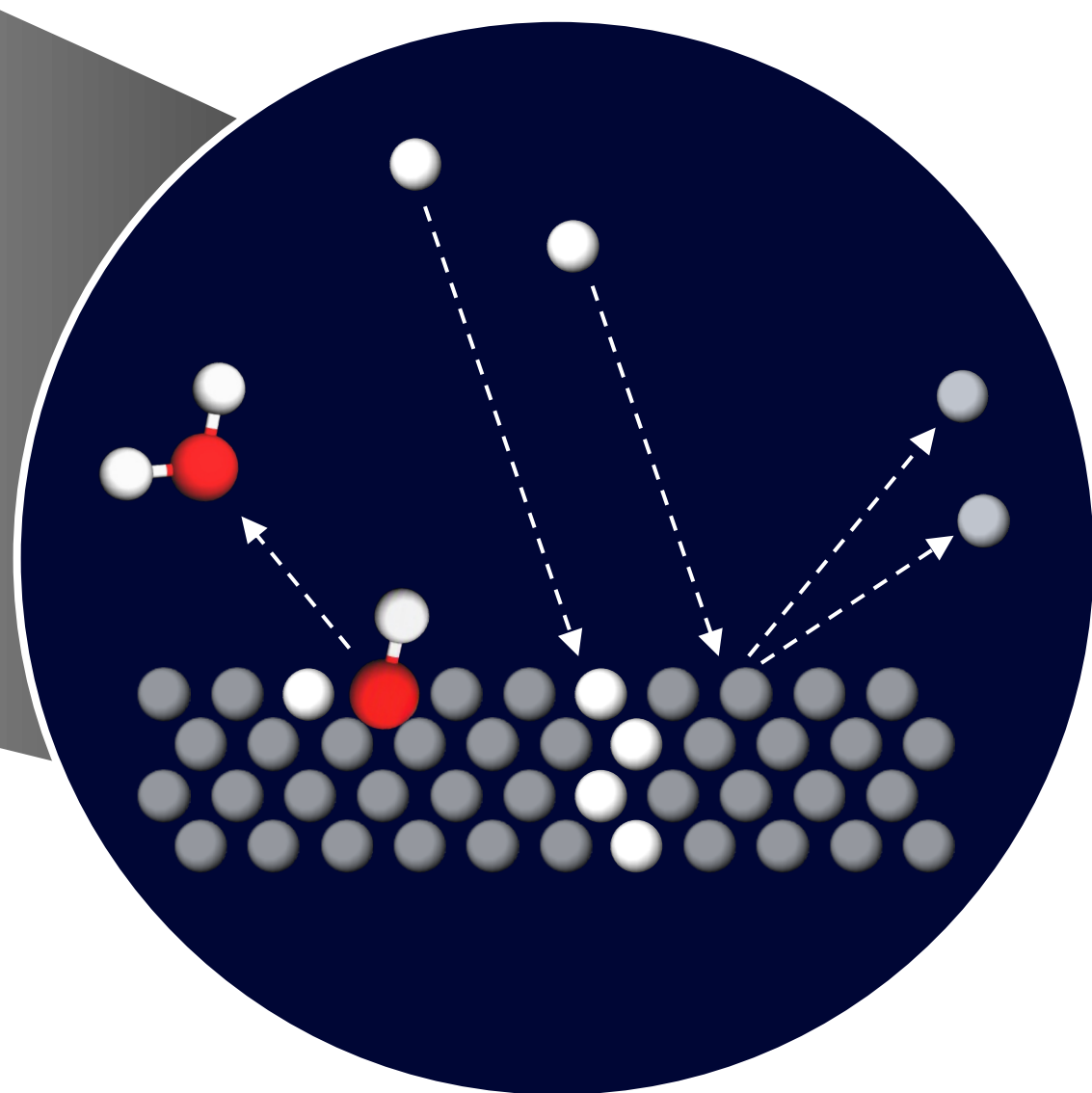
Grain scale

subsurface heat and mass transport • molecular
sorption • surface diffusion • micro-shadowing



Atomic scale

sputtering • ion implantation •
recombination and dissociation



BOOK PROJECT:
Simulating Planetary Volatiles
A Multi-Scale Modelling Handbook

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Publication with Elsevier

Developing a unified literature resource

- Focus on **airless bodies** like the Moon, Mercury, icy moons, etc.
- Connect modelling approaches across the **individual scales**.
- Bridge the gap between **fundamental theory and practical application**.
- Provide a **step-by-step introduction** to modelling techniques.
- Create an essential resource for **early-career researchers and graduate students**.

Foundations theory, assumptions, limitations, applicability

Method comparisons trade-offs across scales

Practical guides method selection, implementation, validation

Use cases & exercises worked examples for learning and reuse



Read the abstract

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