



Power (and particle) fluxes during ELM-controlled scenarios and extrapolation towards ITER

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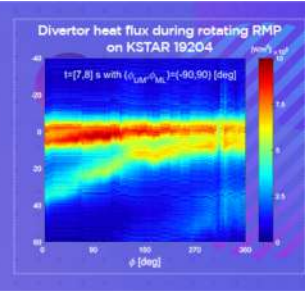
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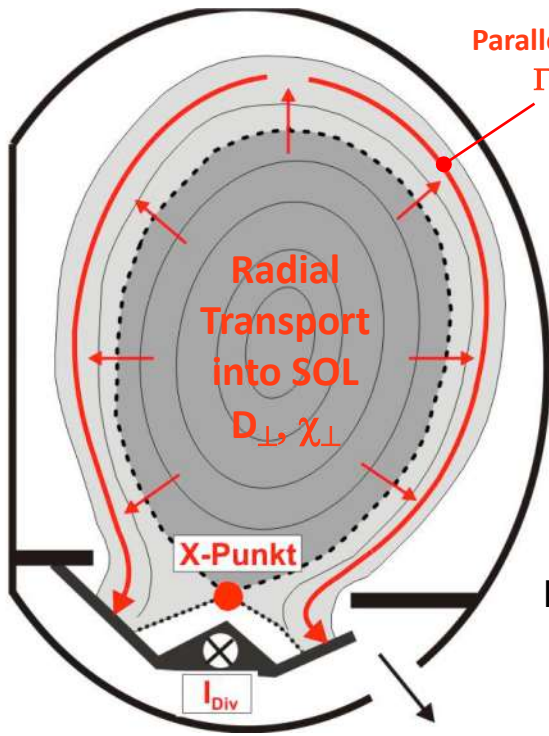
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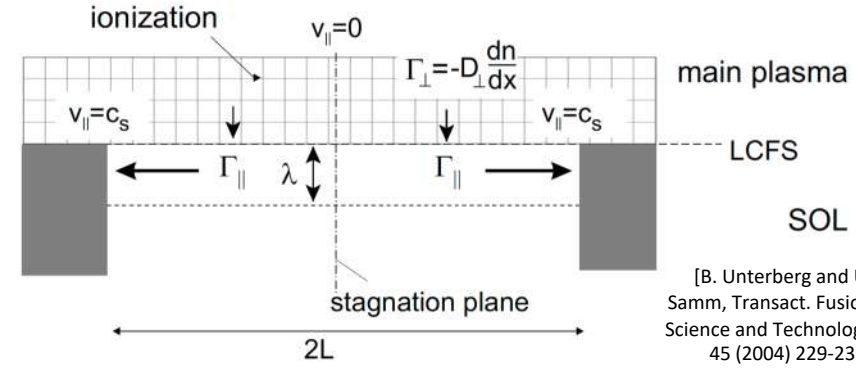
Ideally we start with a toroidally axisymmetric divertor heat and particle flux structure



Simplified Example for Calculation of Deposition Width: **the Simple SOL model** (talk D. Reiter)



Parallel Heat q_{\parallel} and Particle Γ_{\parallel} Fluxes to Target



[B. Unterberg and U. Samm, Transact. Fusion Science and Technology 45 (2004) 229-236]

Mass conservation in open field line region:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} D_{\perp} \frac{\partial n}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (n v_{\parallel})$$

Radial constant diffusion, parallel flow with ion sound speed

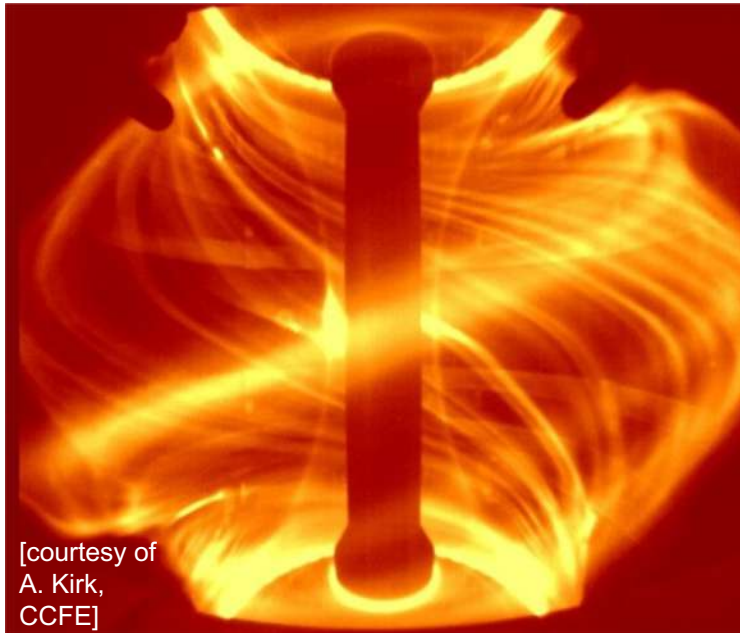
Exponential decay in SOL $\Rightarrow n(x) = n(0) \exp(-x/\sqrt{D_{\perp} \tau_{\parallel}})$

Thin deposition width (toroidal symmetry) $\Rightarrow \lambda = \sqrt{D_{\perp} \tau_{\parallel}} \Rightarrow \lambda = \sqrt{\frac{D_{\perp} L}{0.5 c_s}}$

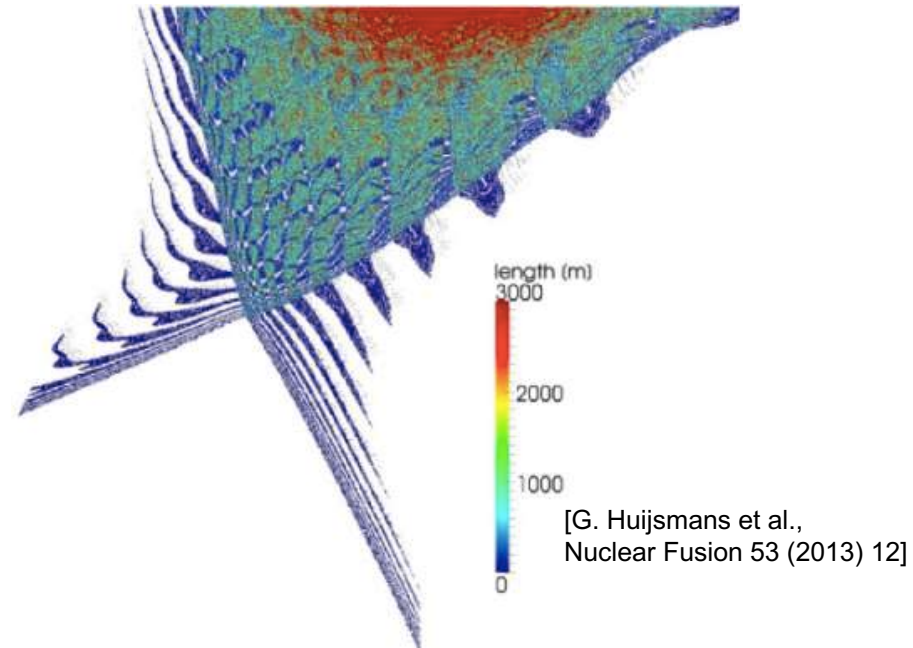
Edge localized Modes (ELMs) cause self-organized, filamentary and fully 3D heat and particle fluxes



Self-organized ELM filament structure



Self-organized, **chaotic** magnetic field topology of ELM



High, impulsive divertor target loads due to ELMs establish need for ELM control

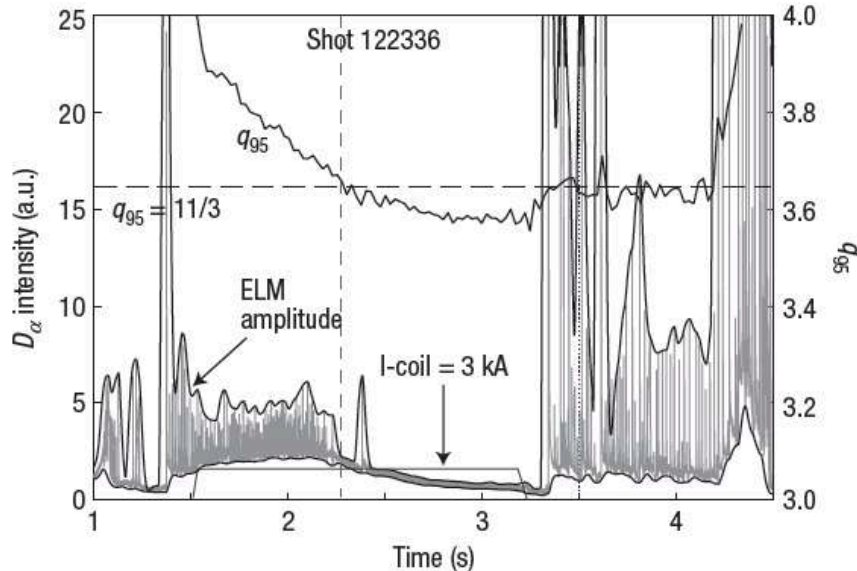
See previous talks by R. Maingi, M. Fenstermacher, R. Pitts and others

Application of Resonant Magnetic Perturbation fields is the most promising route for stable ELM control



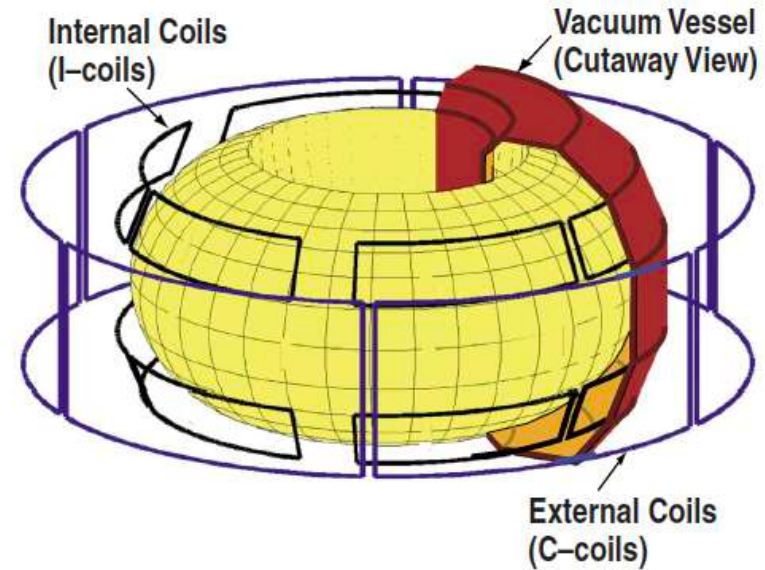
- Small amplitude ($10^{-4} B_T$) RMPs are applied from in-vessel magnetic control coils

The famous discovery

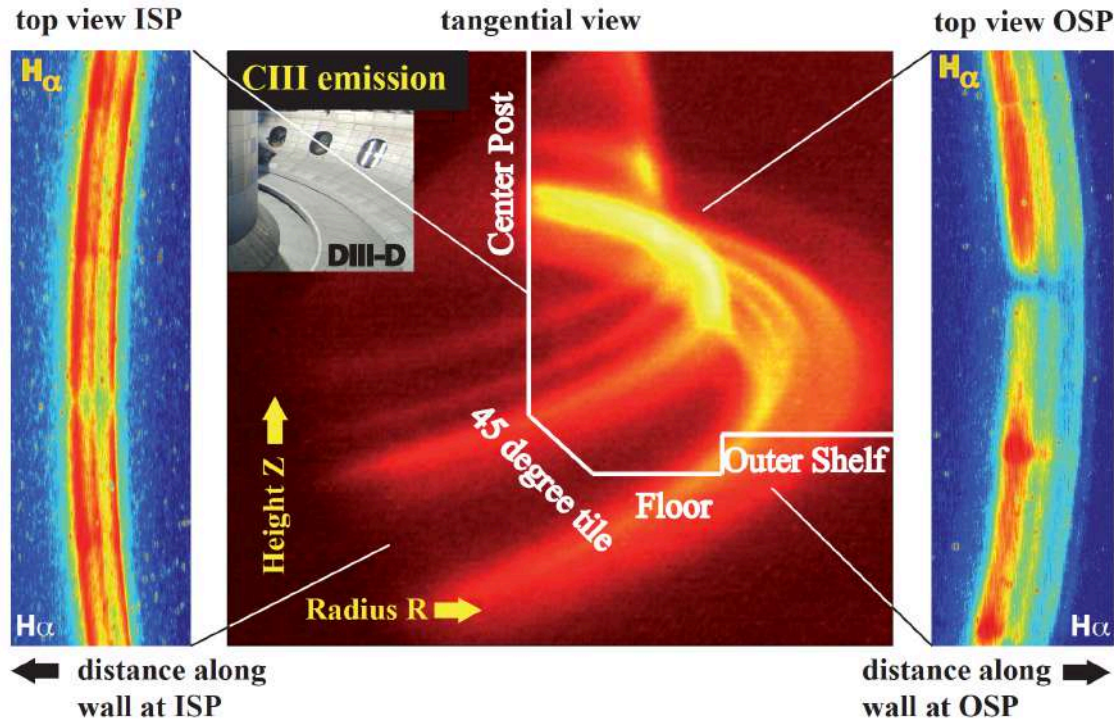


[T.E. Evans et al., Nature 2 (2006) 419-423]

Perturbation coil set at DIII-D

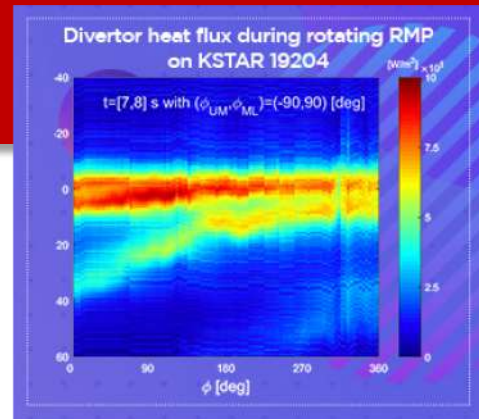
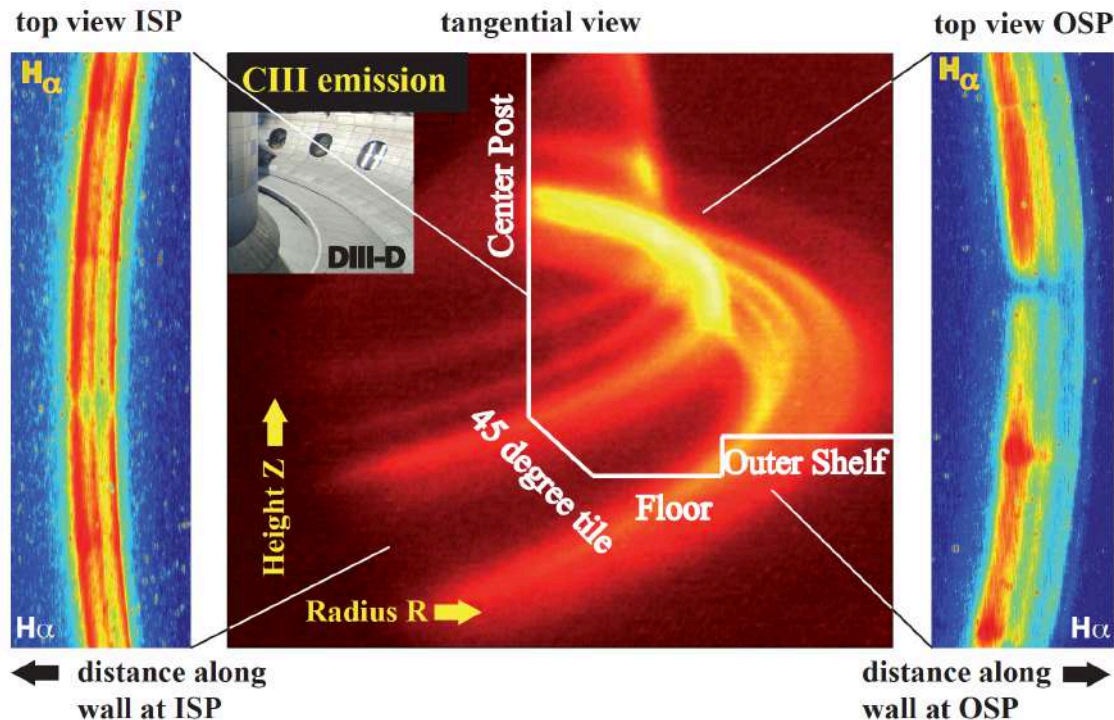


RMPs make the plasma edge a fully 3D system



[O. Schmitz et al., Nuclear Fusion **56** (2016) 066008]

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RMP ELM suppressed
H-mode plasmas show separatrix perturbation and strike line splitting



Plasma edge and material interface becomes a 3D system

We need to understand the system to judge impact on the divertor

Why and how does this happen?

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Divertor heat flux during rotating RMP
on KSTAR 19204

$t = [7.0] \text{ s with } (\alpha_{\text{div}}^{\text{RMP}}) = (-90, 90) \text{ [deg]}$

$\phi \text{ [deg]}$

Color scale: 0 to 2.0 MW/m²



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Chaotic trajectories



Resonant coupling



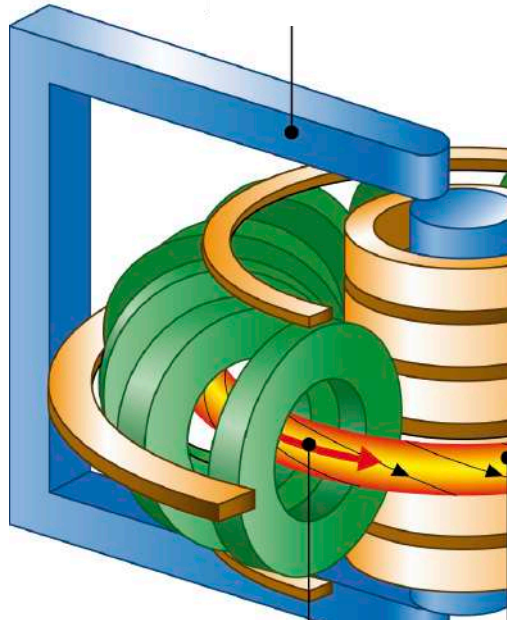
And how – please – does this matter in RMP ELM control?



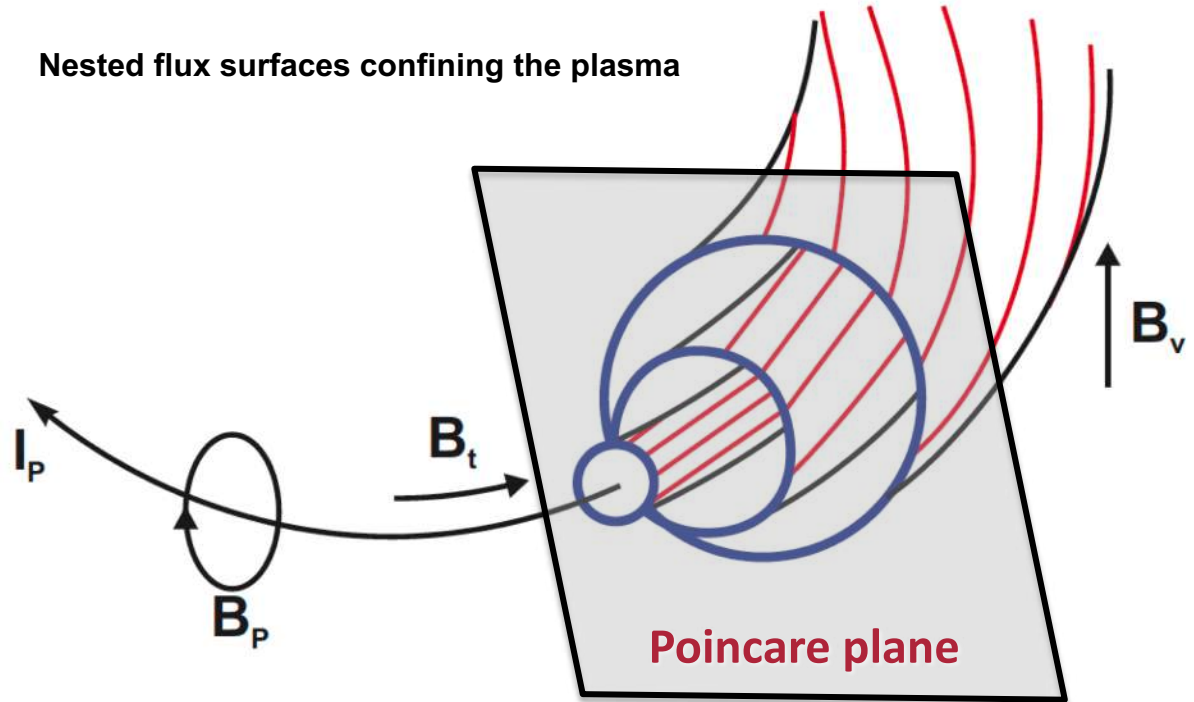
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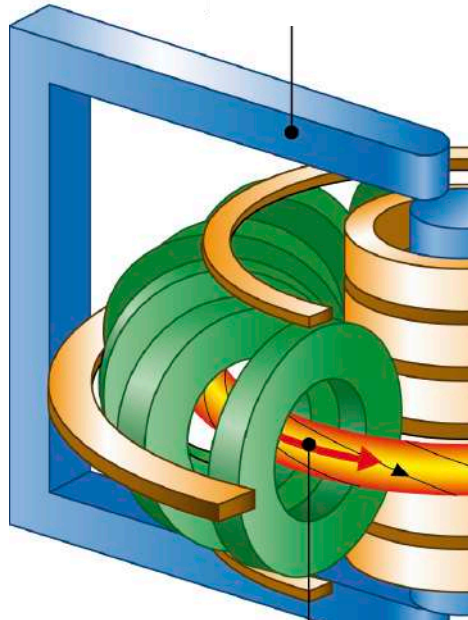
Nested flux surfaces confining the plasma



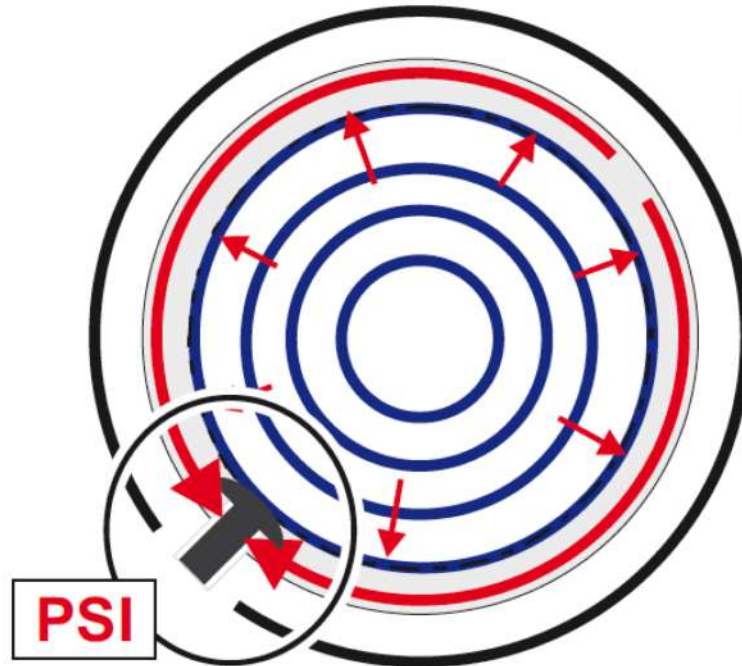
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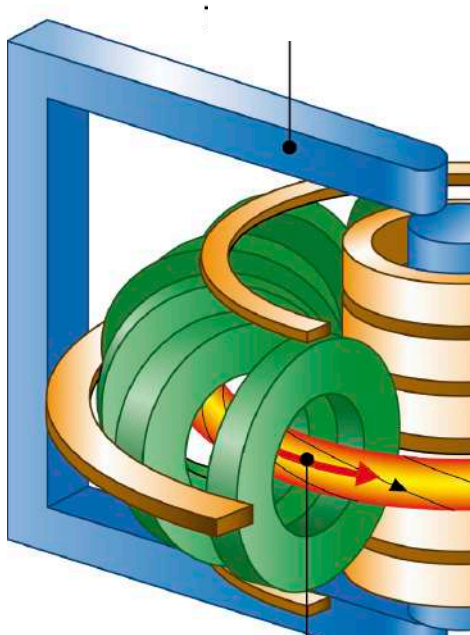
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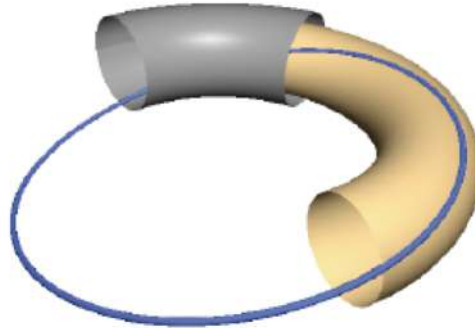
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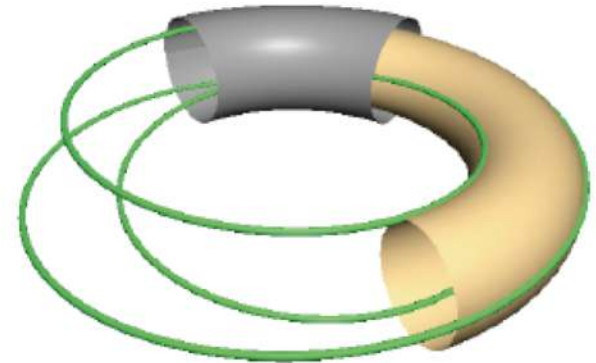


Resonant coupling to self-closing field lines



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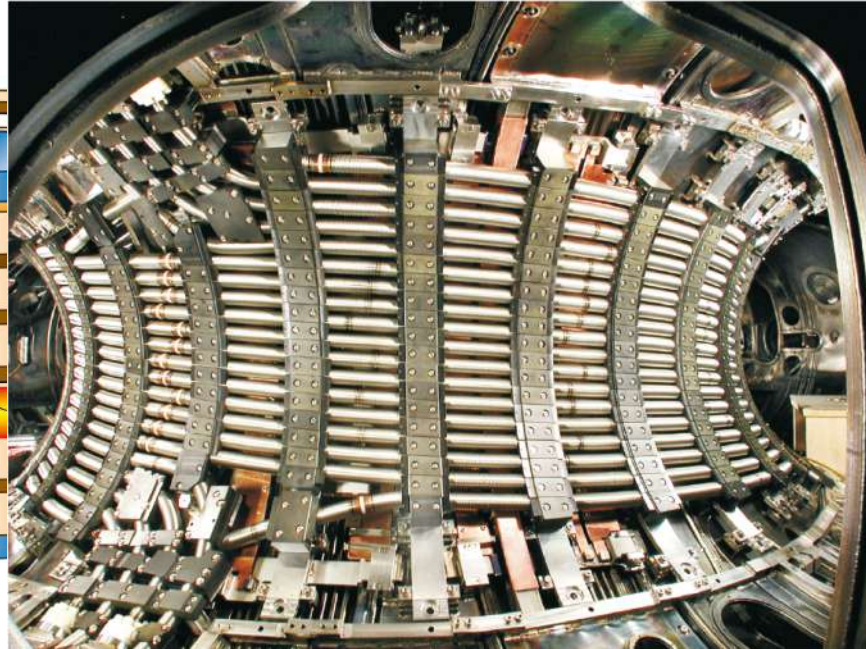
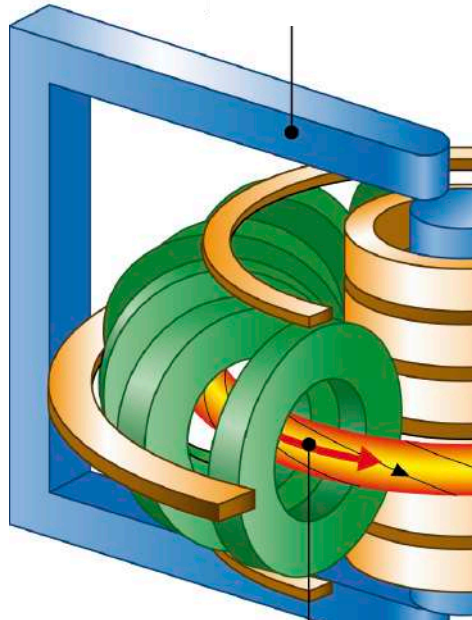
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Well aligned external field yields local
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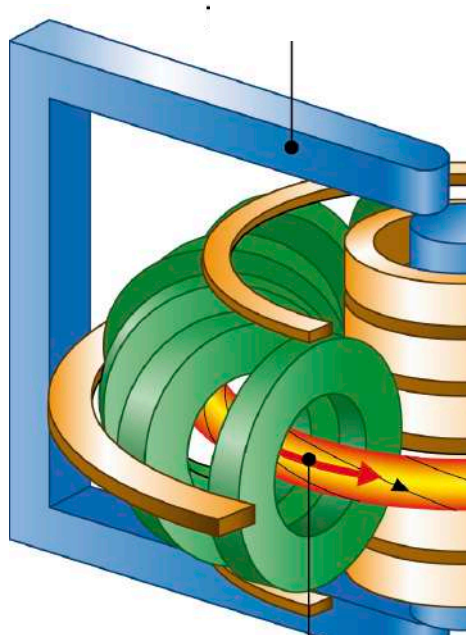
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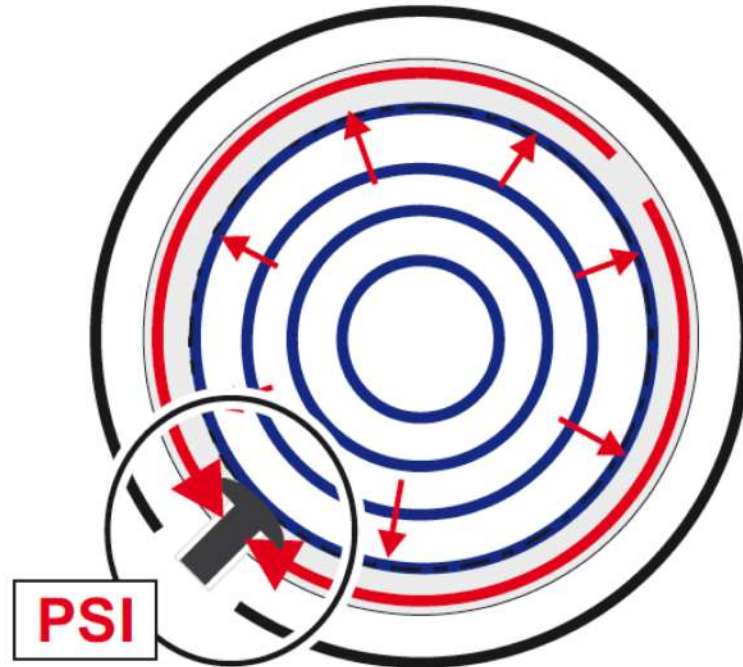
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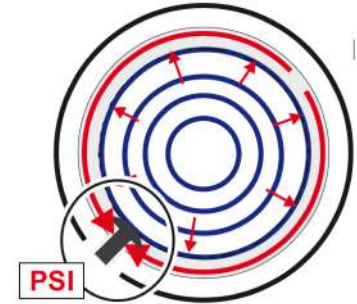
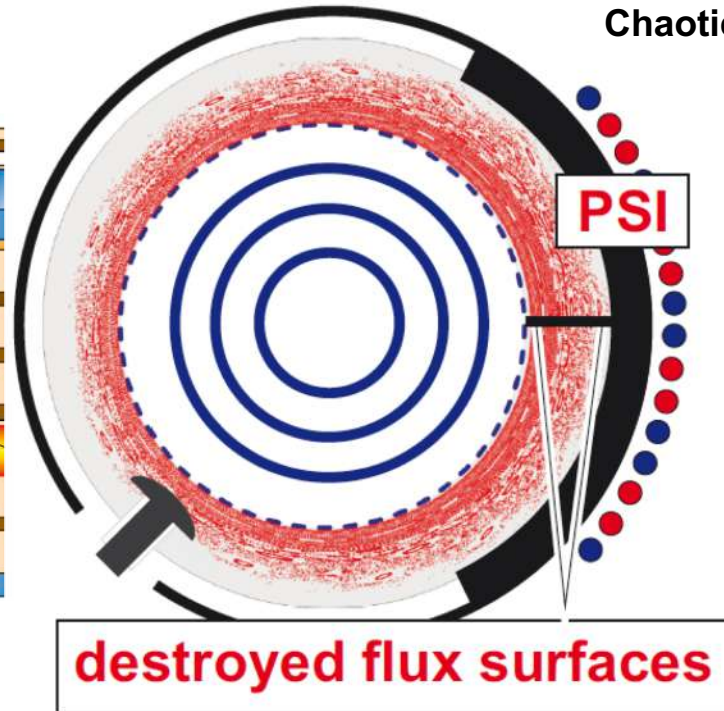
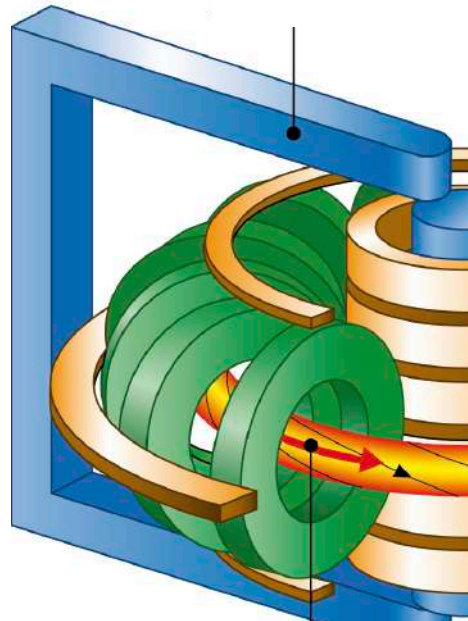
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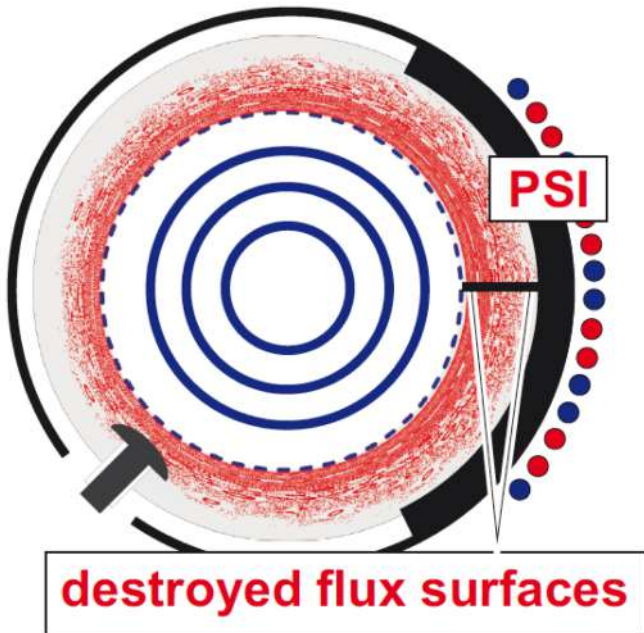
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Description as perturbed conservative system shows resonant perturbation character



Field line trajectory $\frac{d\vec{x}}{ds} = \frac{\vec{B}}{|\vec{B}|}$

$$\vec{x}(s) = (r(s), \theta(s), \varphi(s))$$

↑ Tangency vector ↑ radius ↑ poloidal ↑ and ↑ toroidal angle at point s

Write guiding magnetic field in canonical coordinates

$$\vec{B} = \nabla\psi \times \nabla\vartheta + \nabla\varphi \times \nabla H(\psi, \vartheta, \varphi) \quad \text{with } \psi \text{ as toroidal magnetic flux through Poincare plane}$$

$\Rightarrow \frac{d\psi}{d\varphi} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial \vartheta}, \quad \frac{d\vartheta}{d\varphi} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial \psi}$
Hamilton equation with Hamiltonian H representing the poloidal magnetic flux

With harmonic (resonant) field perturbation

$$H_1(\psi, \vartheta, \varphi) = \sum_{m,n} H_{mn}(\psi) \cos(m\vartheta - n\varphi)$$

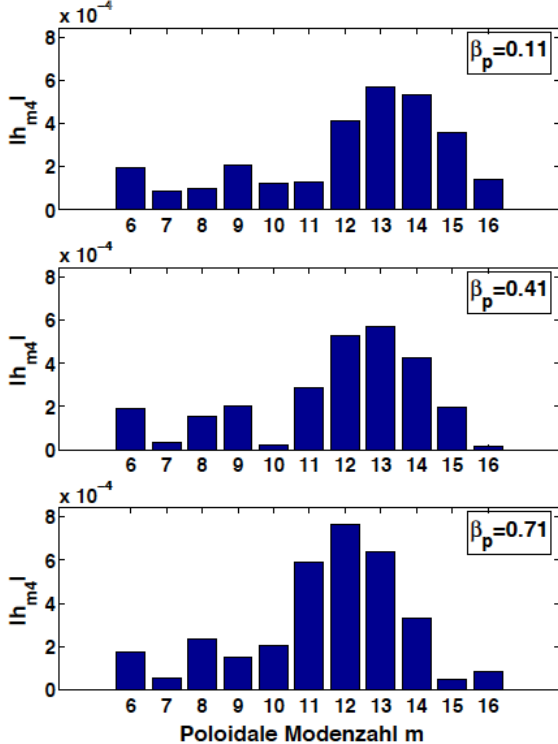
Apply perturbation theory $H = H_0(\psi) + \epsilon H_1(\psi, \vartheta, \varphi)$

Two typical representations of

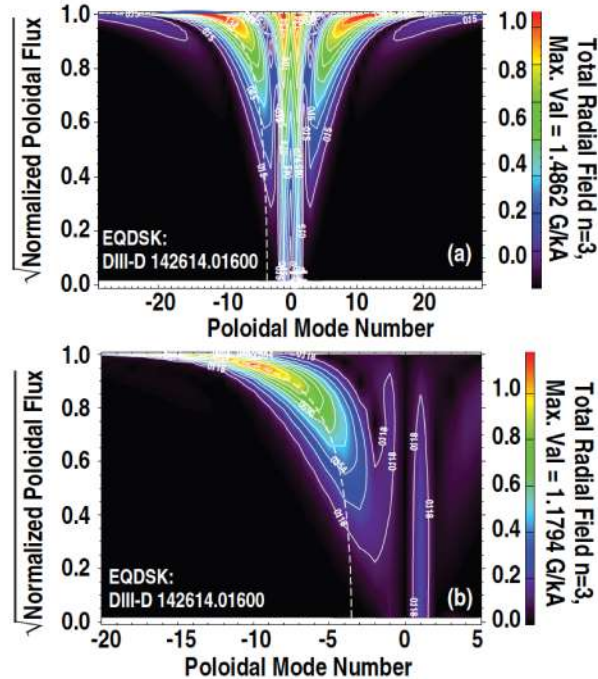
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TEXTOR n=4 spectrum



DIII-D radial Fourier coefficients n=3



Plasma response has to be taken into account!

Remember lecture by Y. In

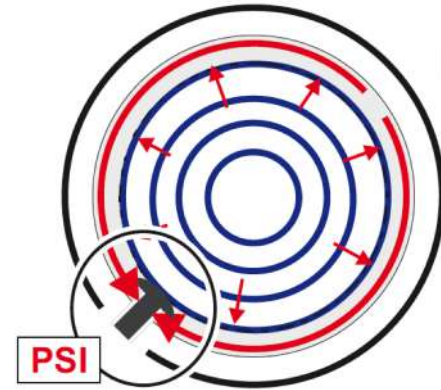
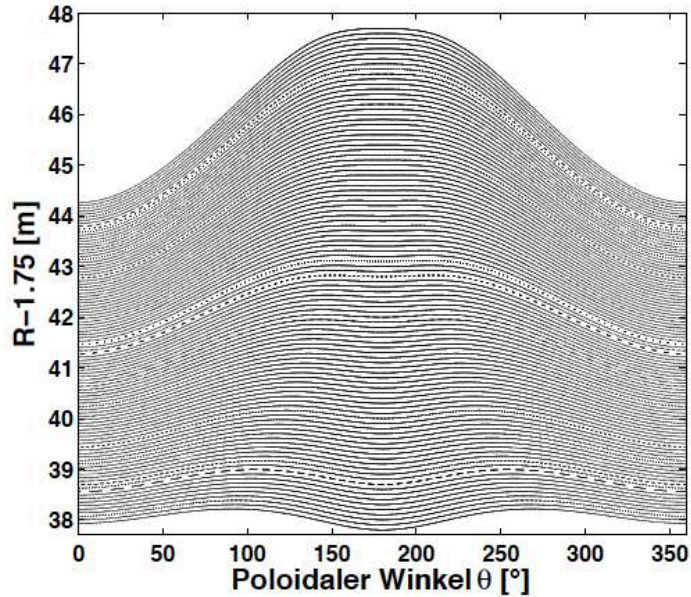
Figure 2. Vacuum spectral perturbation amplitudes of the n = 3 (a) components and (b) MARS-F plasma response modelling.

[M. Lanctot et al., Physics of Plasmas **18** (2012) 056121]

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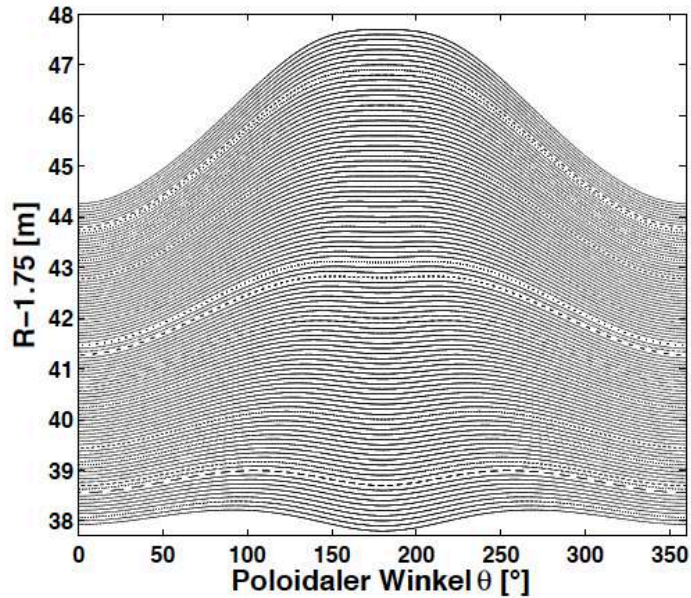
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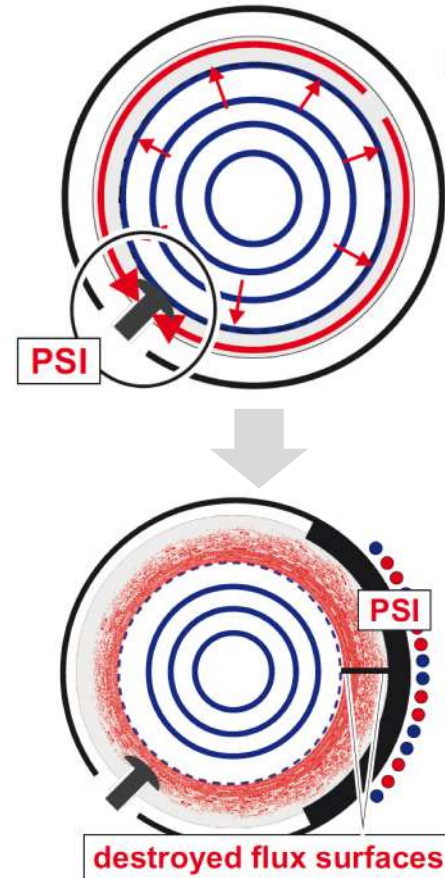
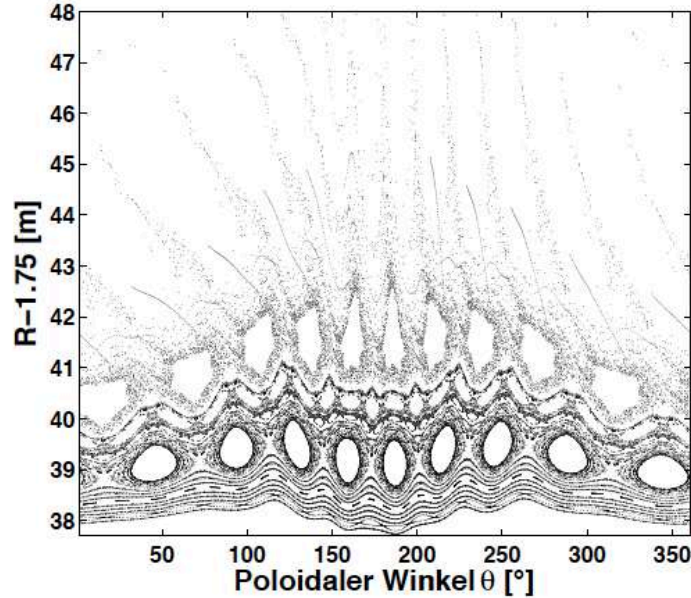
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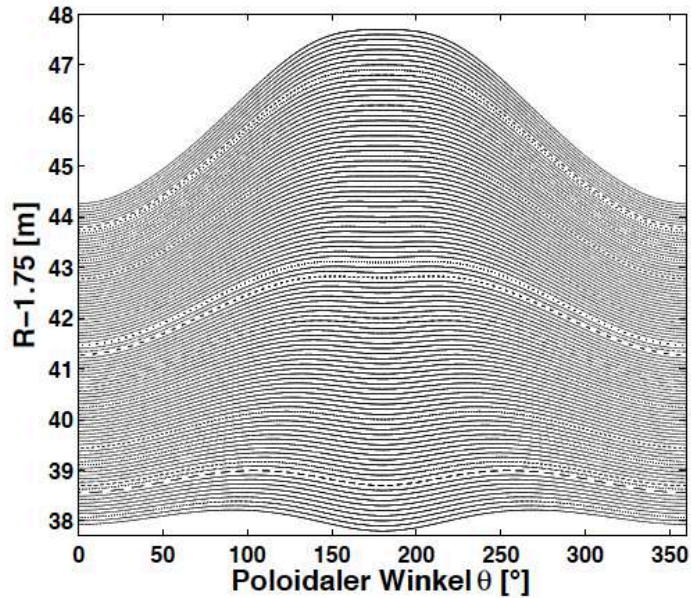
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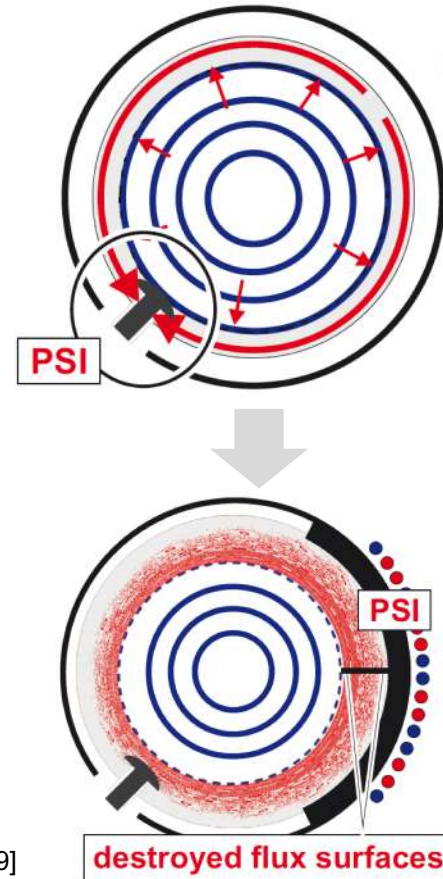
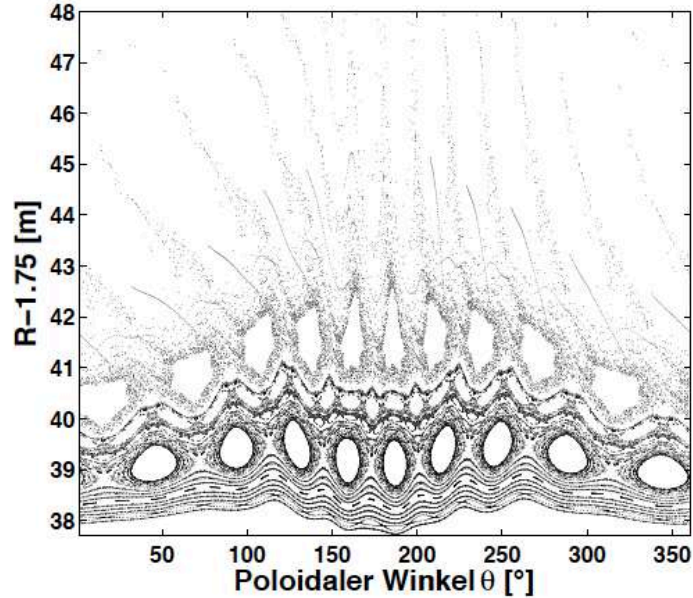
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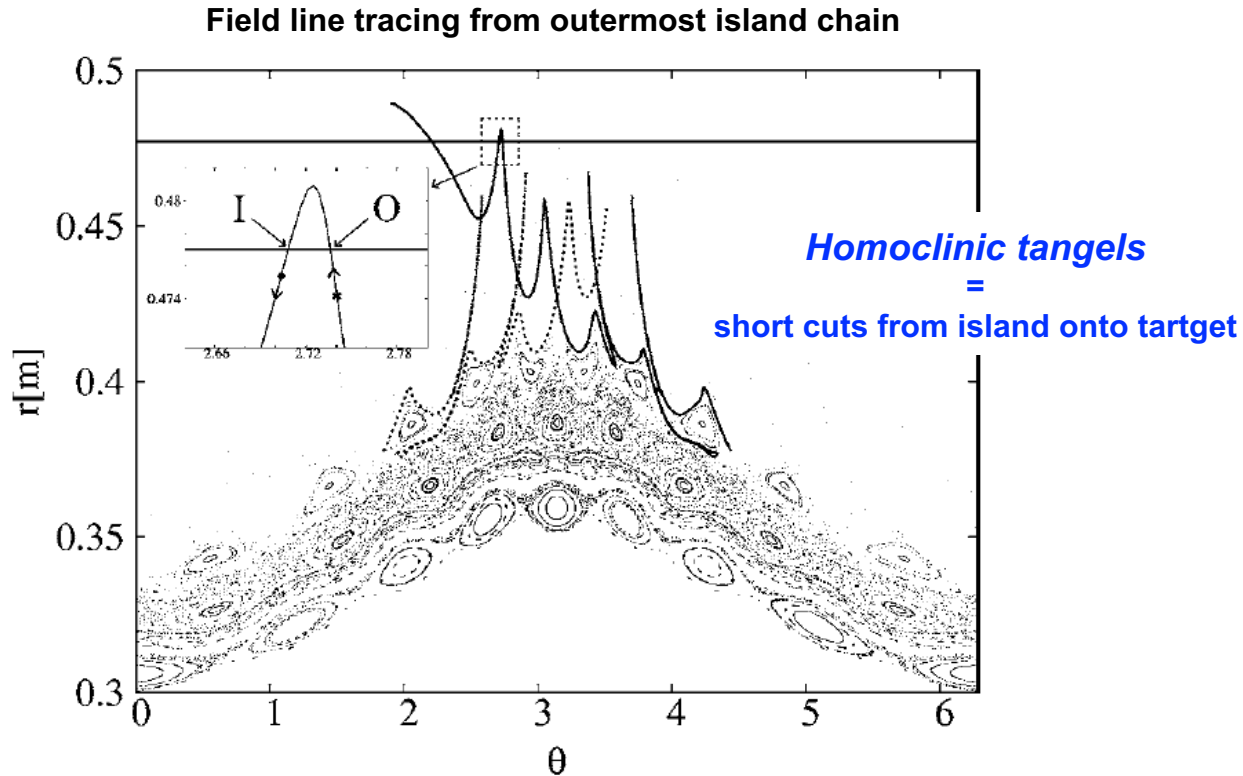


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But what about the heat and particle loads?

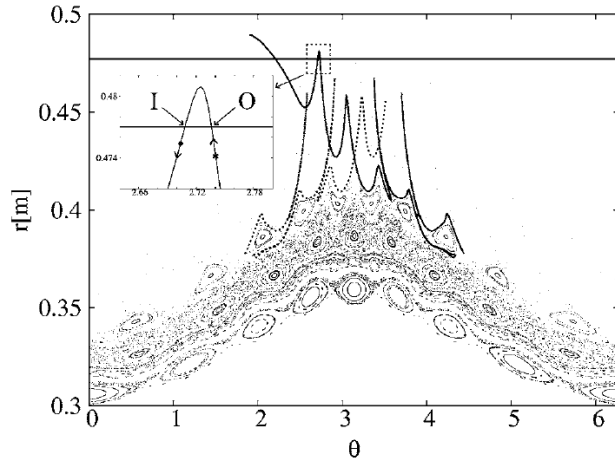
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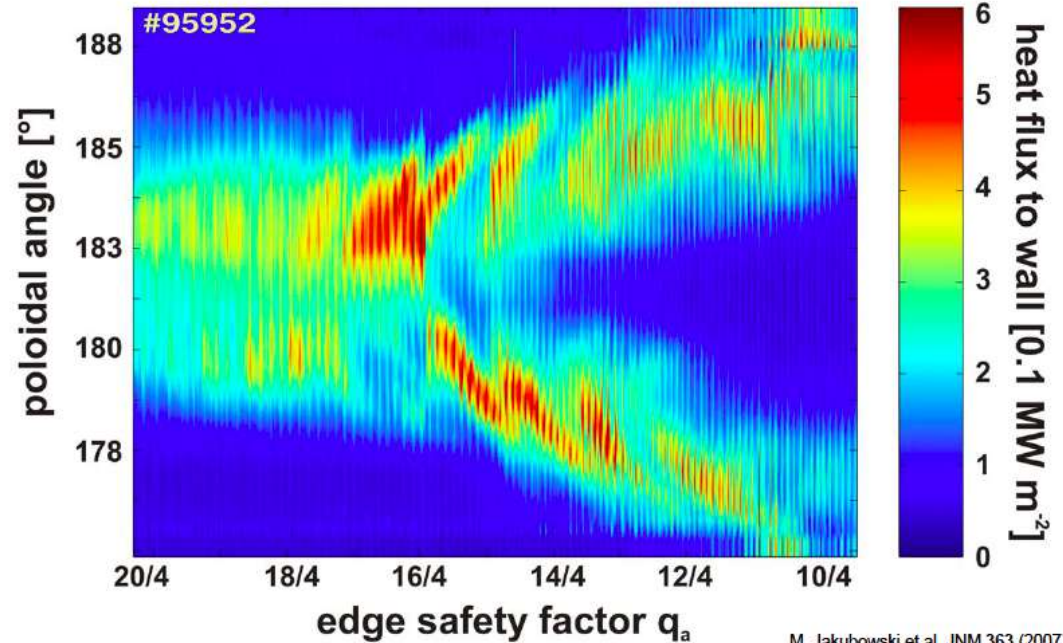
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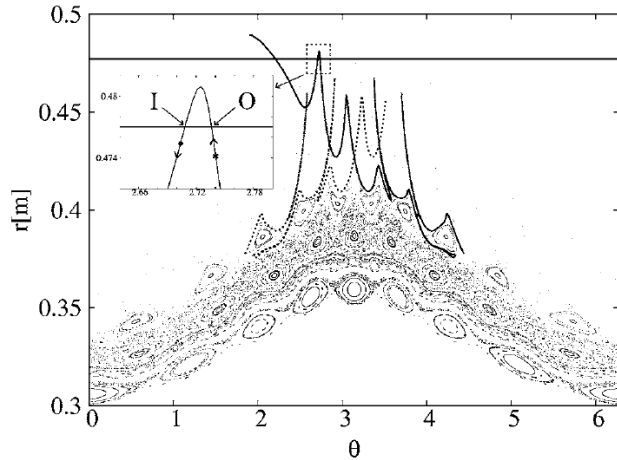
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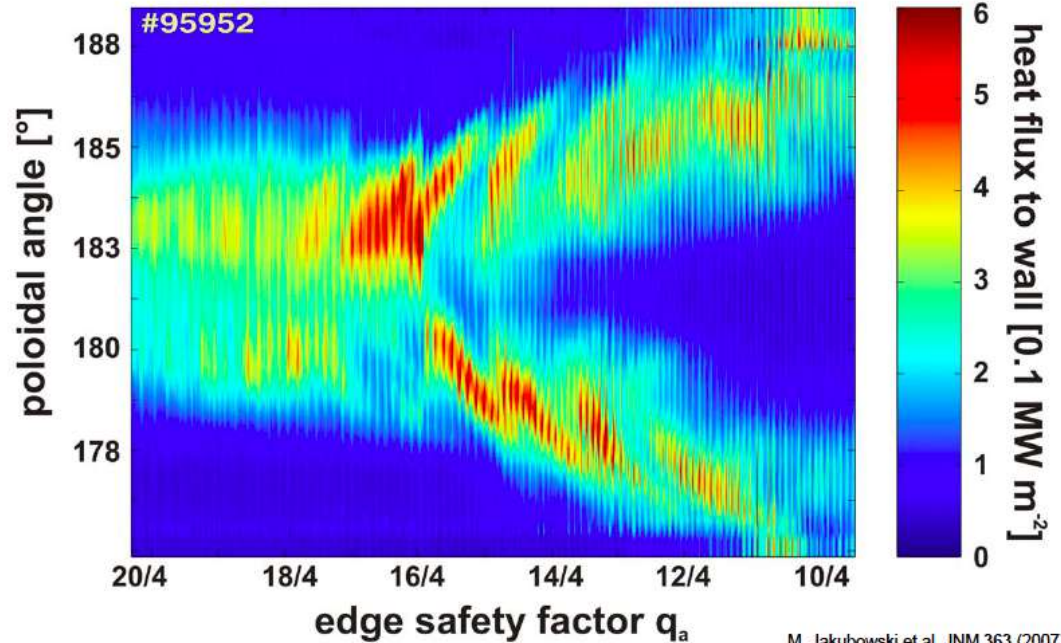
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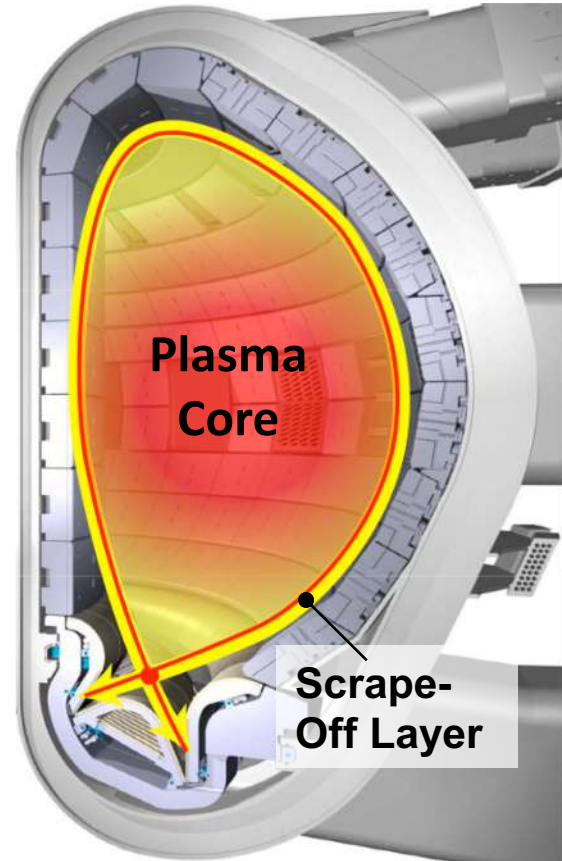
How about a separatrix?

The separatrix of a divertor tokamak comes with a robust hyperbolic fixed point – the X-point



The **separatrix** is the boundary between the confined plasma and the plasma boundary

[H. Frerichs et al., PoP **22** (2014) 072508]



The separatrix consists out of stable and unstable manifolds



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Stable manifolds approaches X-point

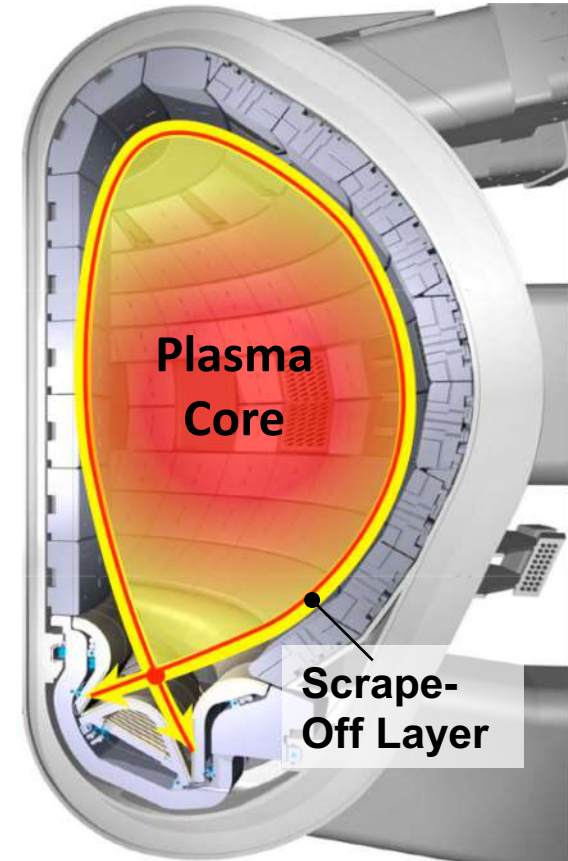
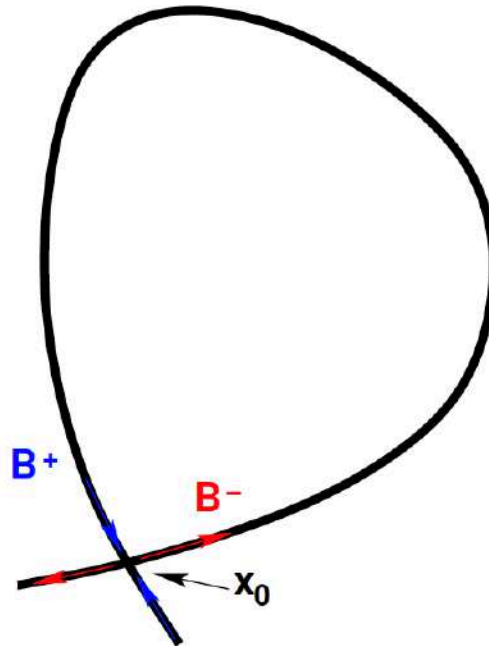
$$B^+ = \{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid \lim_{\varphi \rightarrow \infty} F_{\mathbf{x}}(\varphi) \rightarrow \mathbf{X} \}$$

Unstable manifolds diverges from X-point

$$B^- = \{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid \lim_{\varphi \rightarrow -\infty} F_{\mathbf{x}}(\varphi) \rightarrow \mathbf{X} \}$$

Here, $F_{\mathbf{x}}(\varphi)$ is the field line trajectory along a magnetic field line

Consider again φ as **time** variable.



The manifolds are decomposed through radial magnetic field perturbation and form helicon lobes

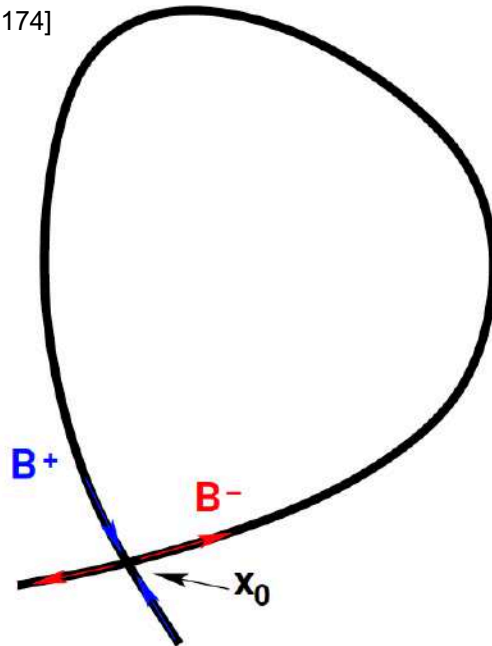


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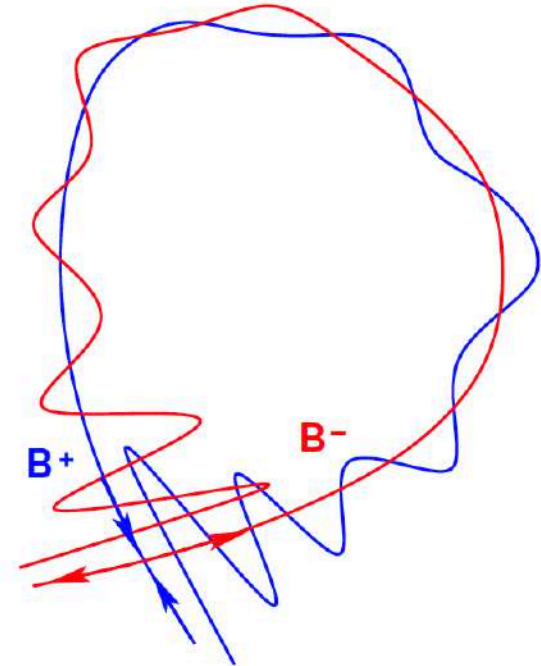
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This generic perturbation mechanism defines the structure of the heat and particle fluxes in the divertor



The **manifolds** are prone to strong oscillations under small perturbation fields



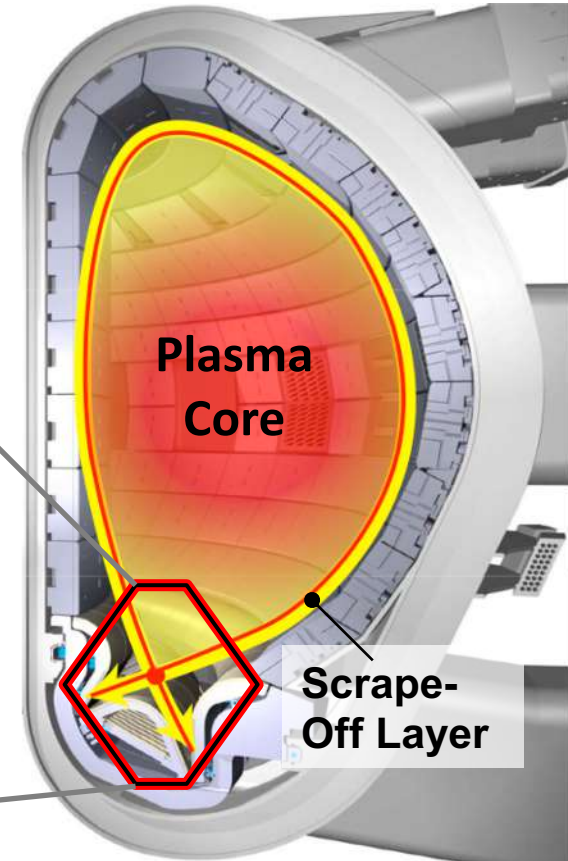
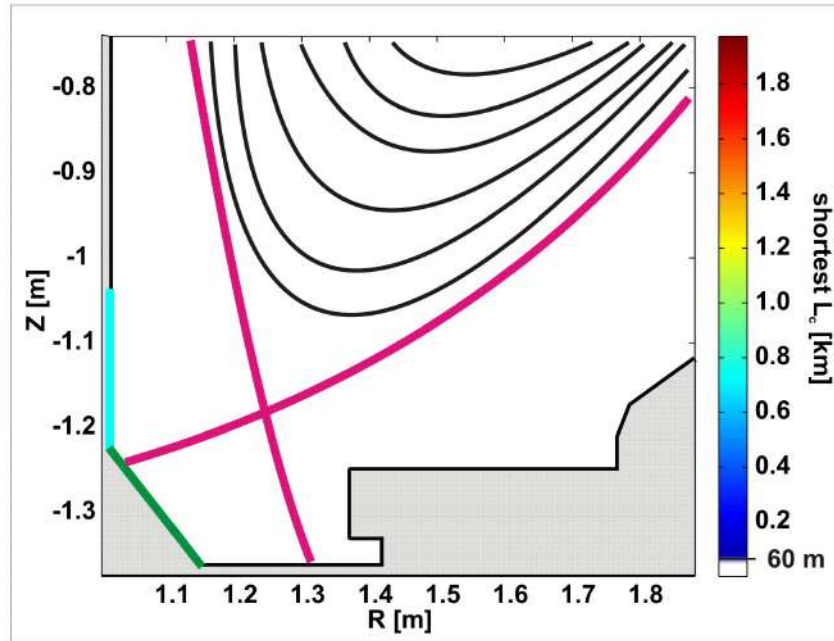
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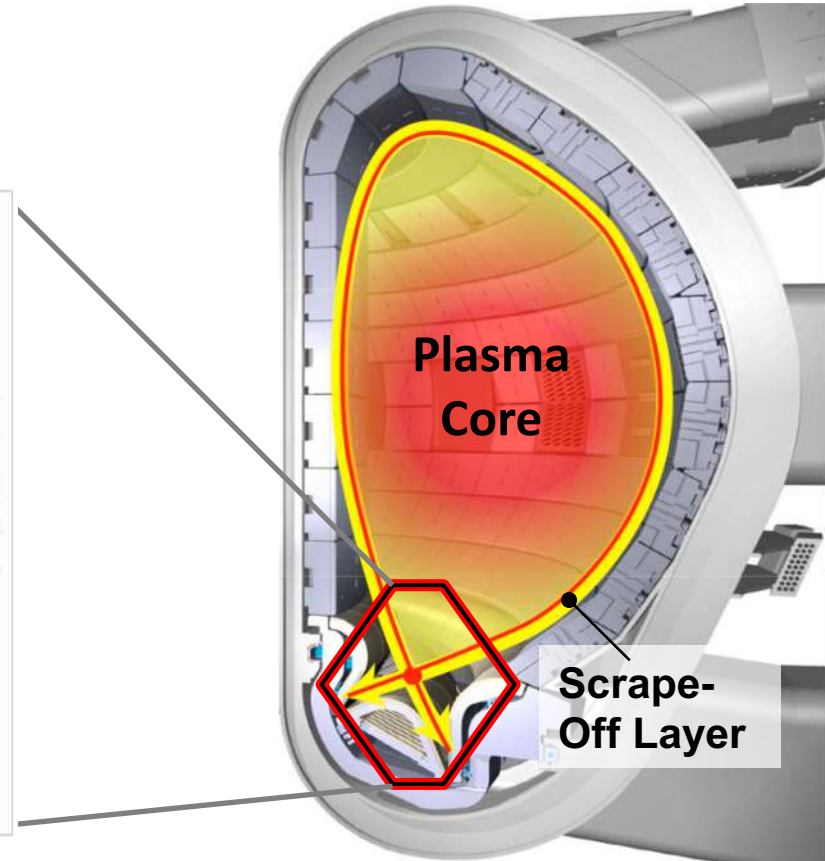
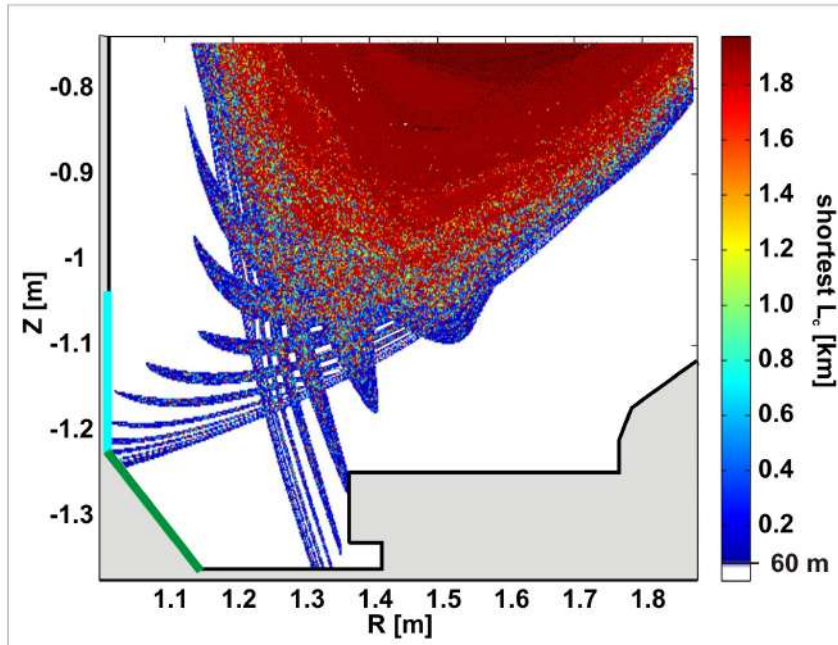
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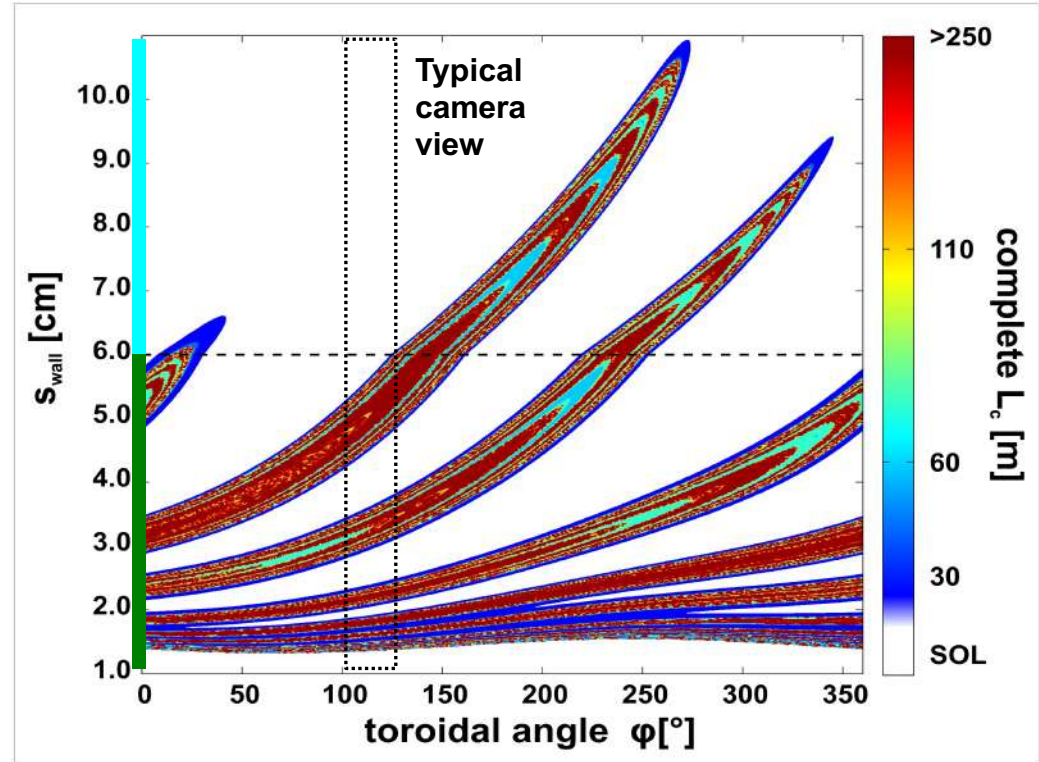
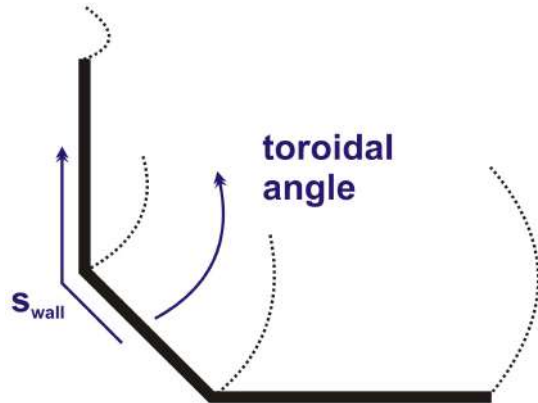
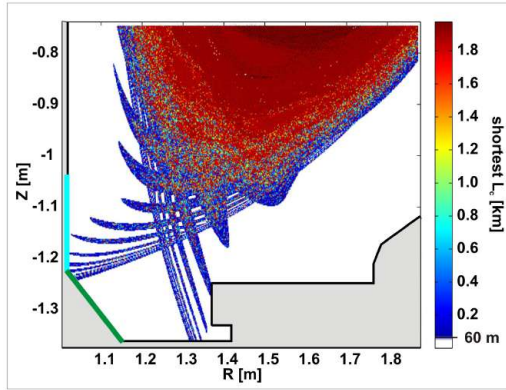
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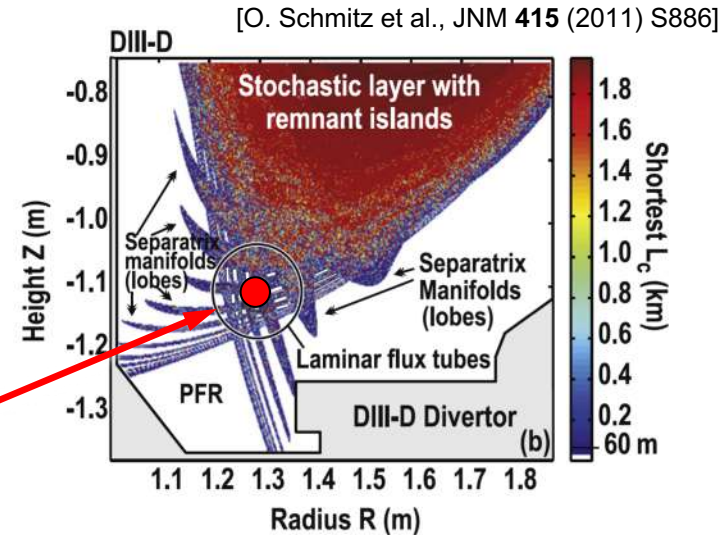
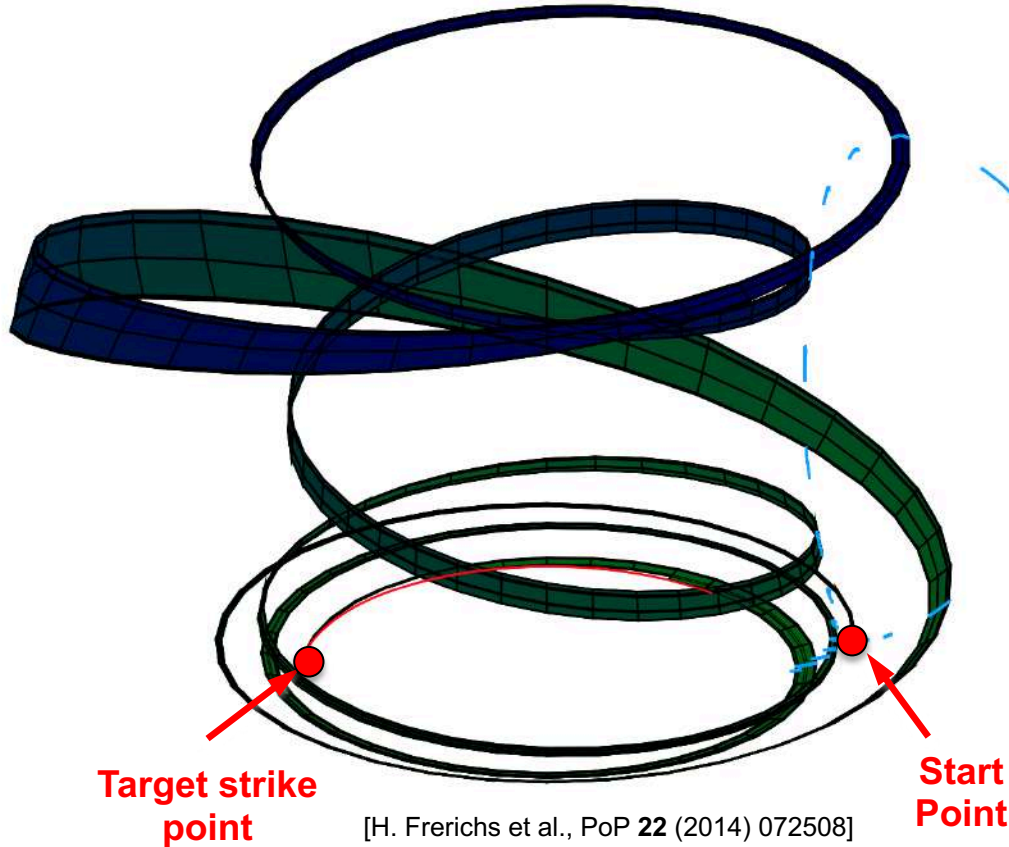


The helical separatrix lobes form a helical magnetic footprint on the divertor target – a strong deviation from axisymmetry

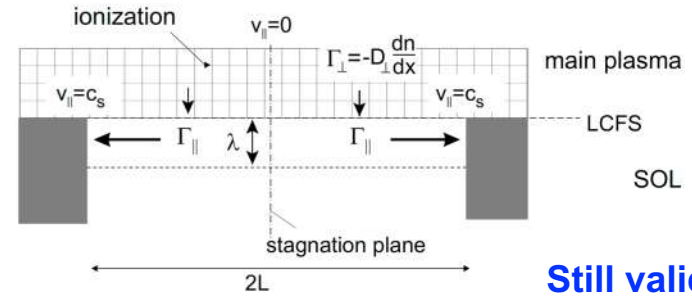
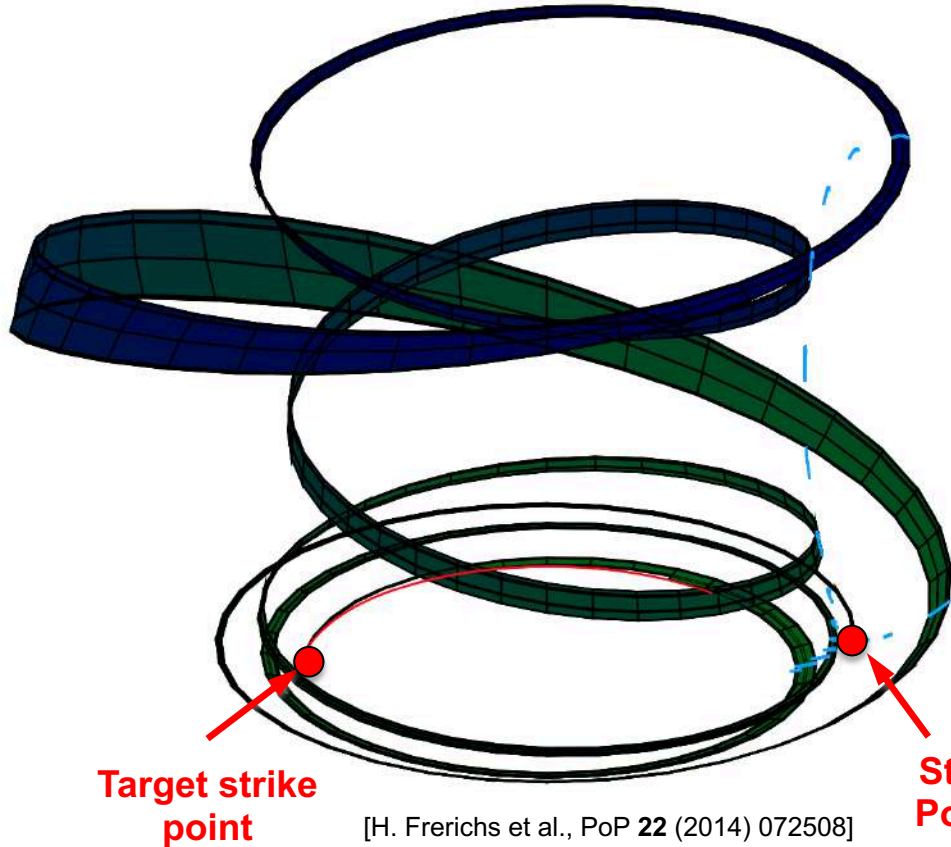


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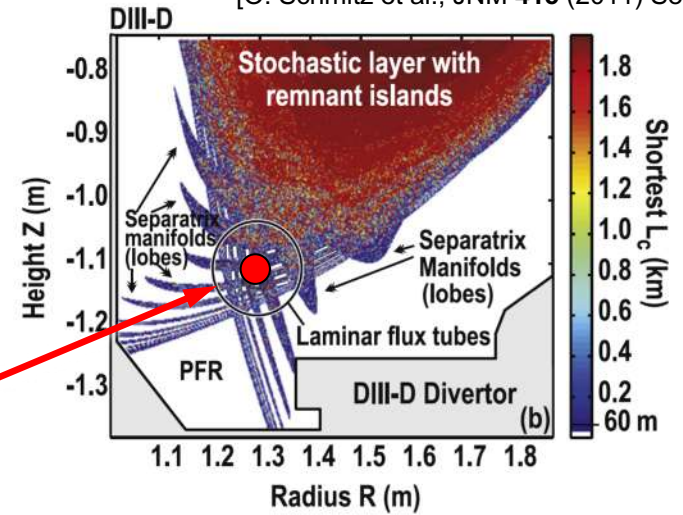
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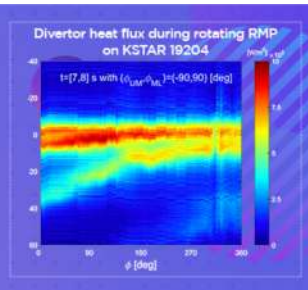
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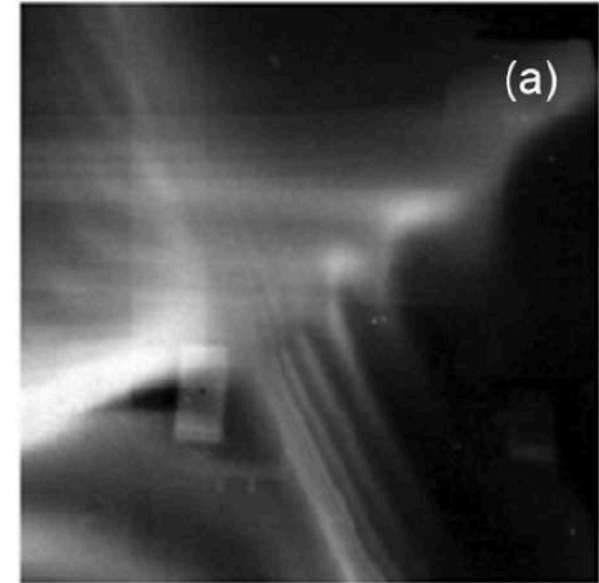
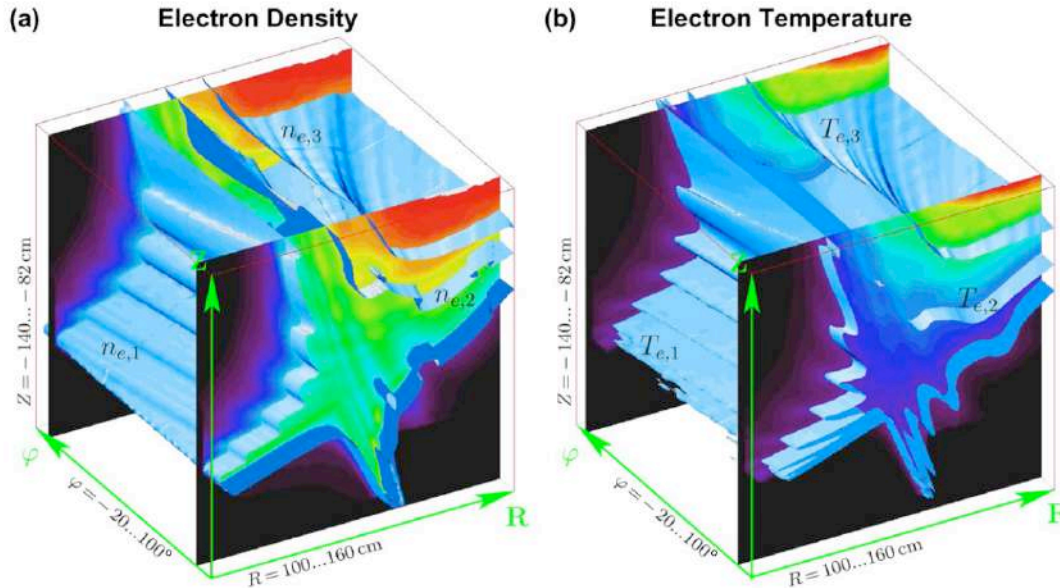
The helical lobes as a result of RMP fields have been visualized and modelled in 3D



There is strong evidence for the existence of the lobes and their impact on the divertor

EMC3-EIRENE 3D plasma edge fluid and kinetic neutral modeling at DIII-D

Direct visualization of lobes at MAST

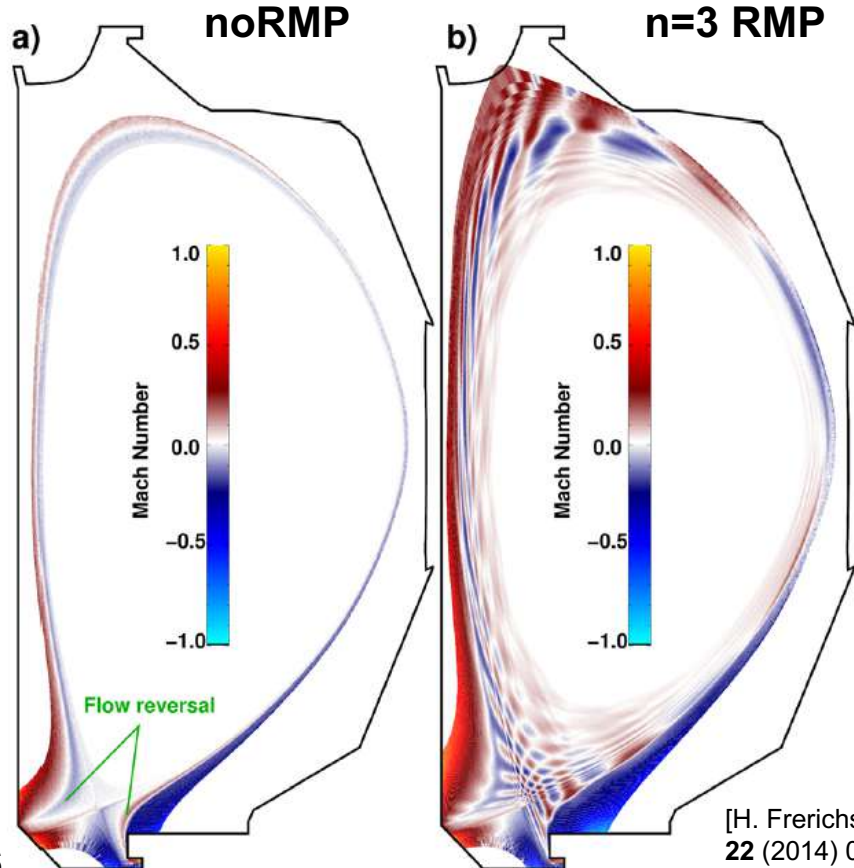


H. Frerichs et al. Nuclear Fusion **50** (2010) 034004]

A. Kirk et al. PRL **108** (2012) 255003

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A complex mesh of SOL flux tubes is generated by RMP and represents the interface to the divertor



➔ These structures intertwine forward and backward streaming SOL flows

This is likely to change the momentum balance by enhanced friction losses (lecture D. Reiter)

Predicted reason for expected high T_e detachment in stellarators.

[Y. Feng et al., NF 46 (2006) 807-819]

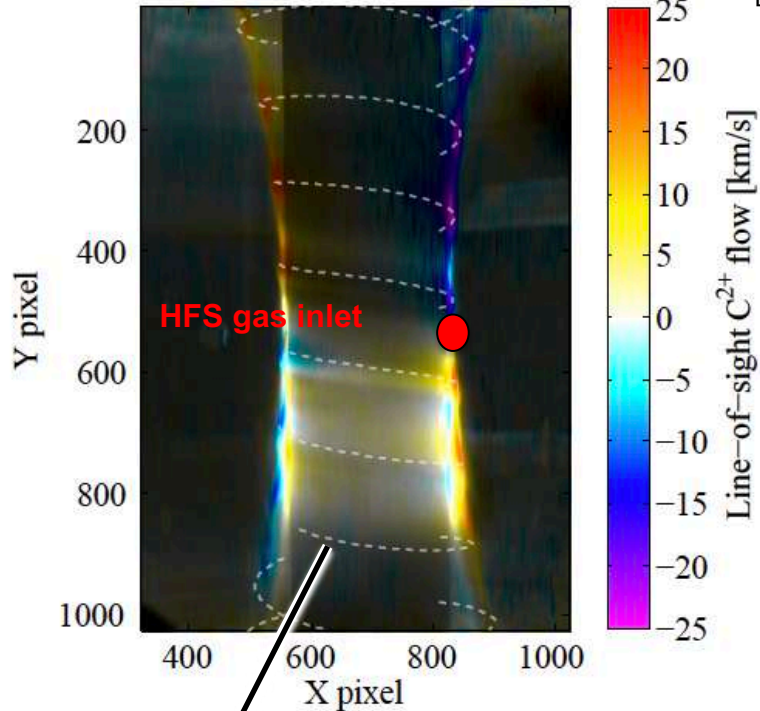
➔ The SOL radial extension is increased and reaches inside of separatrix

[H. Frerichs et al., PoP 22 (2014) 072508]

Flow drive along SOL flux tubes by local neutral injection were directly measured in MAST



[I. Waters et al., Nuclear Fusion 58 (2018) 066002]



C²⁺ flow measurement in the MAST spherical tokamak (CCFE, UK)

Launching a gas flux at the high field side (HFS), yields a flow along the field line where the gas puff is located.

This is an excellent test case for EMC3-EIRENE

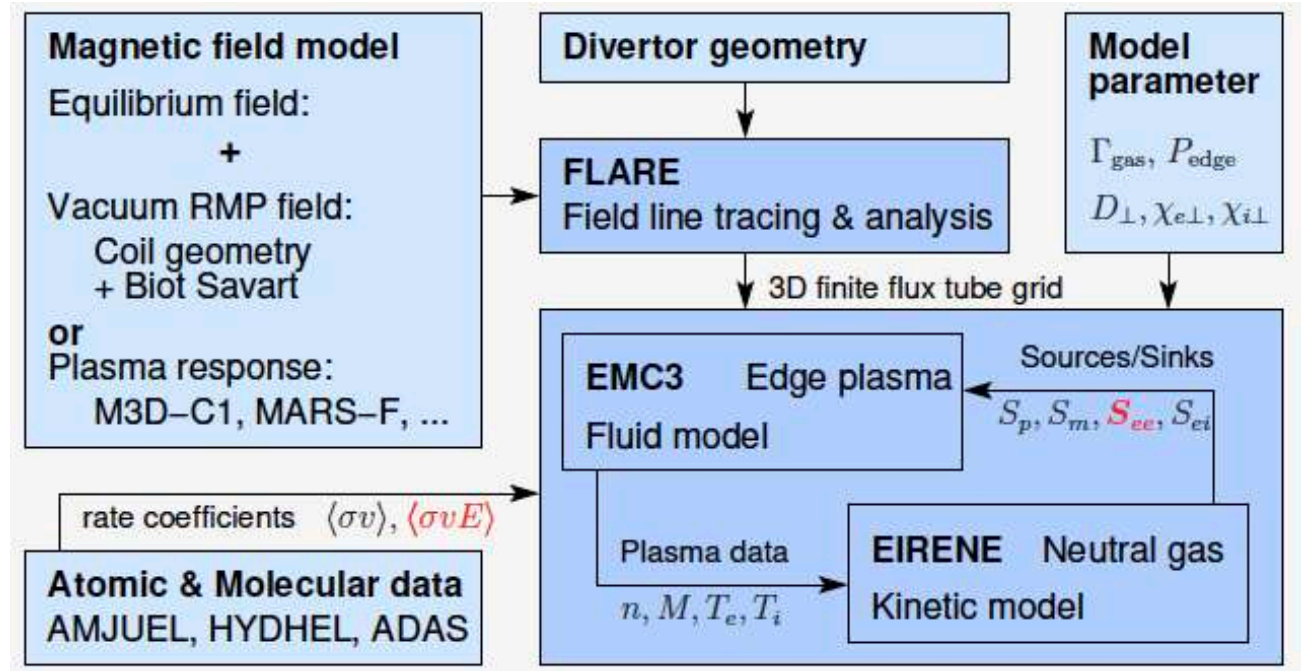
In EMC3-EIRENE, parallel flows are driven by a pressure gradient along the field line – is this a reasonable assumption?



Before we test EMC3-EIRENE we should know a bit about it

EMC3-EIRENE is the only fully 3D plasma edge fluid and kinetic neutral transport code

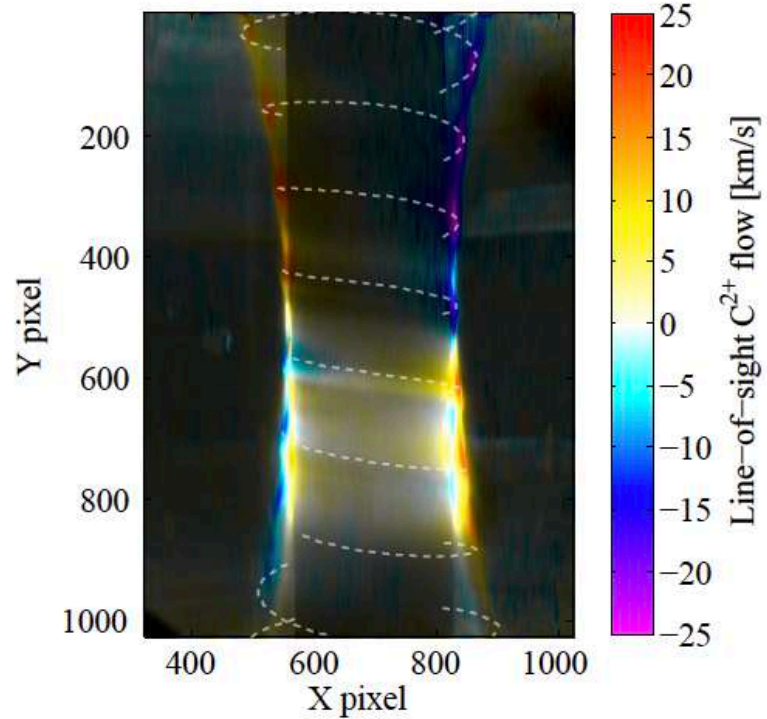
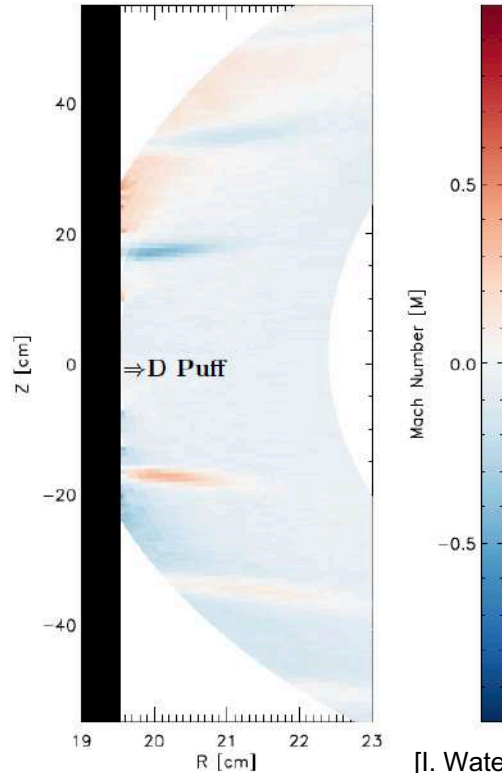
[Y. Feng et al., NF **45** (2005) 89]
[D. Reiter et al., FST **47** (2005) 172-186]
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Flow drive along SOL flux tubes by local neutral injection are also seen in EMC3-EIRENE prediction



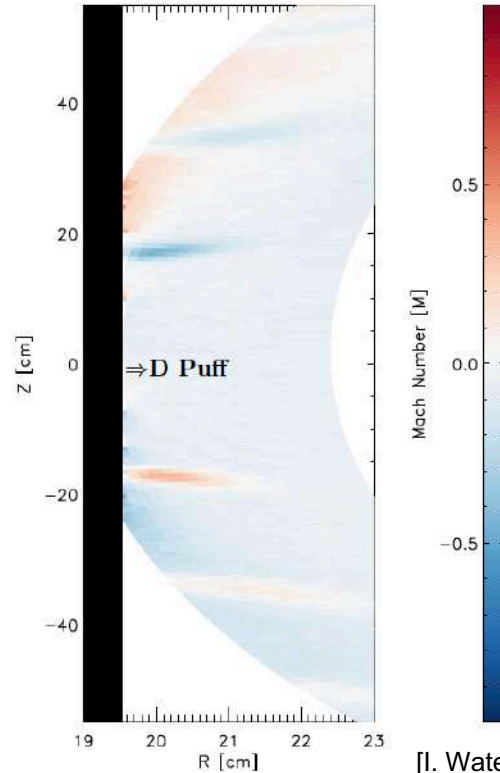
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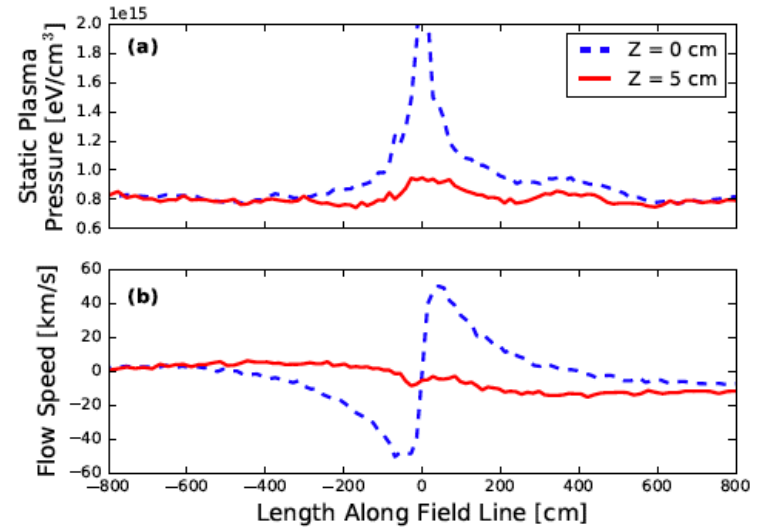
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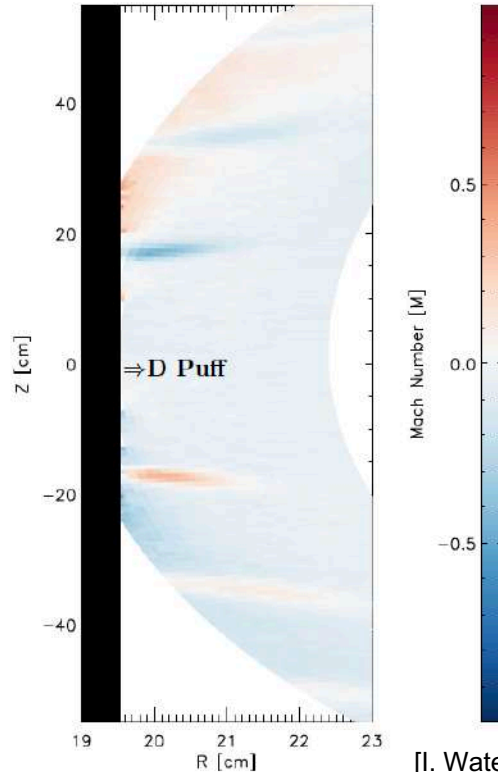
Radial scale length for flow drive is small



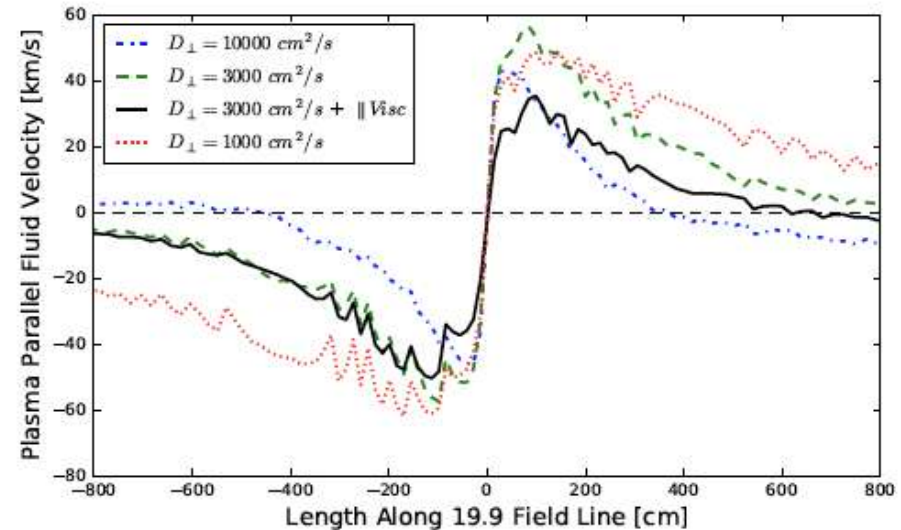
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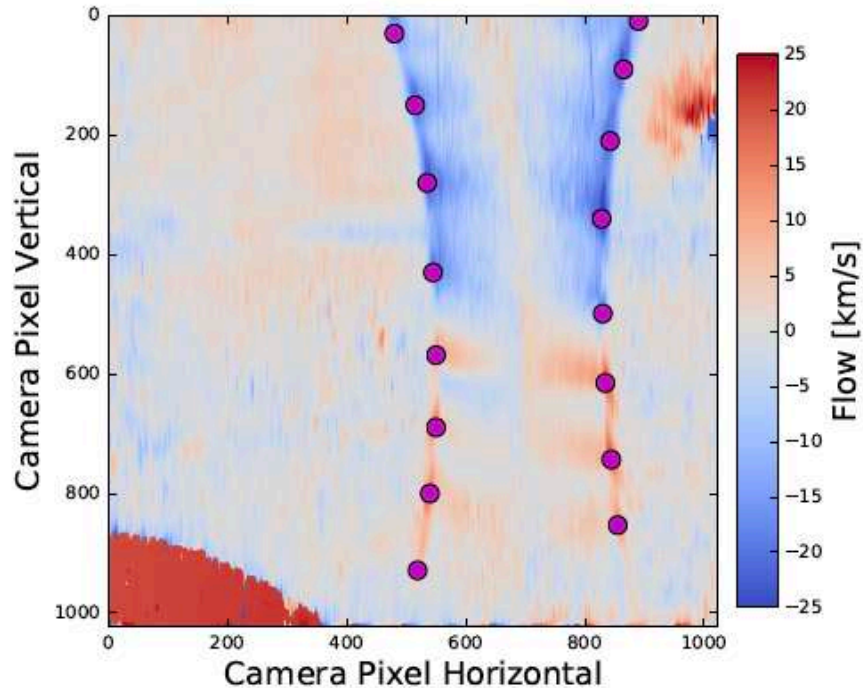
Perpendicular diffusion and parallel viscosity dampens flow



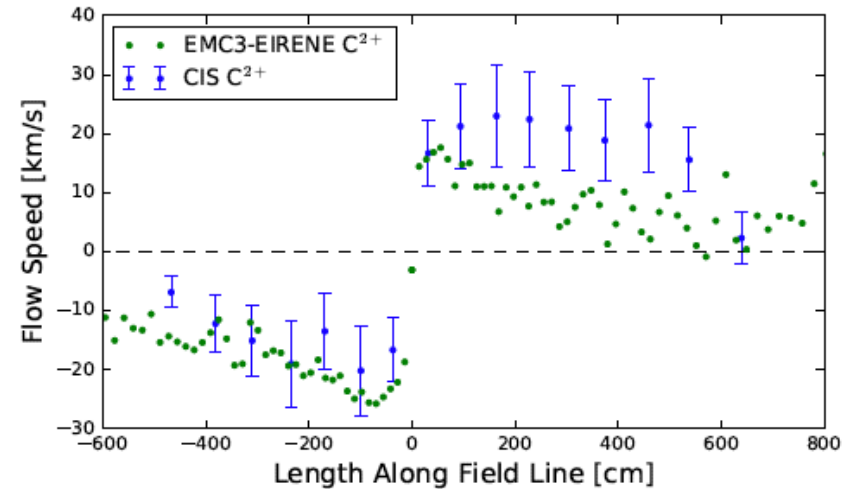
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Projected C^{2+} flow measurement along field lines



Parallel flow speed comparison

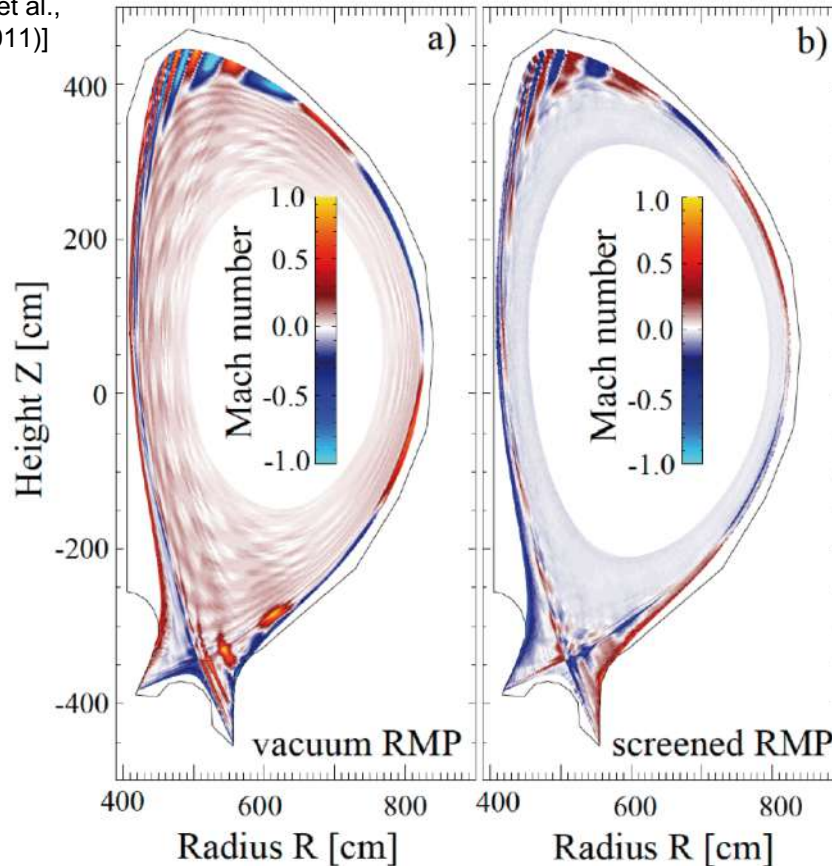


This basic experiment demonstrates the generation of parallel particle flows along a flux bundle by a local particle source.

The inward extension of the SOL is a basic contributor to the particle pump-out



[O. Schmitz et al.,
JNM 415 (2011)]



3D flow channels



Flattening of density profile



Increase upstream pressure in
3D SOL

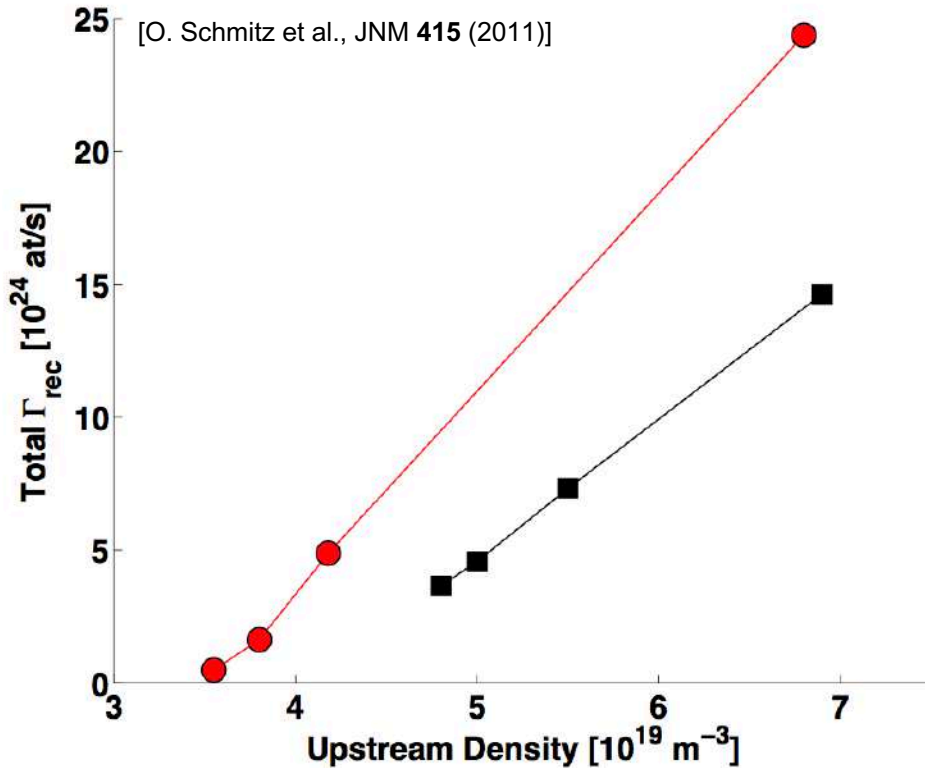


Downstream n up
Downstream T down



Role in enhanced outward particle flux and convective part of heat flux

Particle source for sustainment of density needs to be increased with RMP – particle pump out



Upstream density vs. divertor recycling flux at constant external source level ($Q_n=1.9 \times 10^{22} \text{ at/s}$)

Same density requires less recycling flux at fixed external source

➔ **Particle “pump out”**

$$\frac{dN_{\text{tot}}}{dt} = -\frac{N_{\text{tot}}}{\tau_p} + f \cdot \Phi_{\text{rec}} + f \cdot \Phi_{\text{gas}}$$

$$\tau_p = \frac{N_{\text{tot}}}{f \cdot \Phi_{\text{rec}} + f \cdot \Phi_{\text{gas}}}$$

90kAt vacuum case

$$\Delta\tau_p = -35\%$$

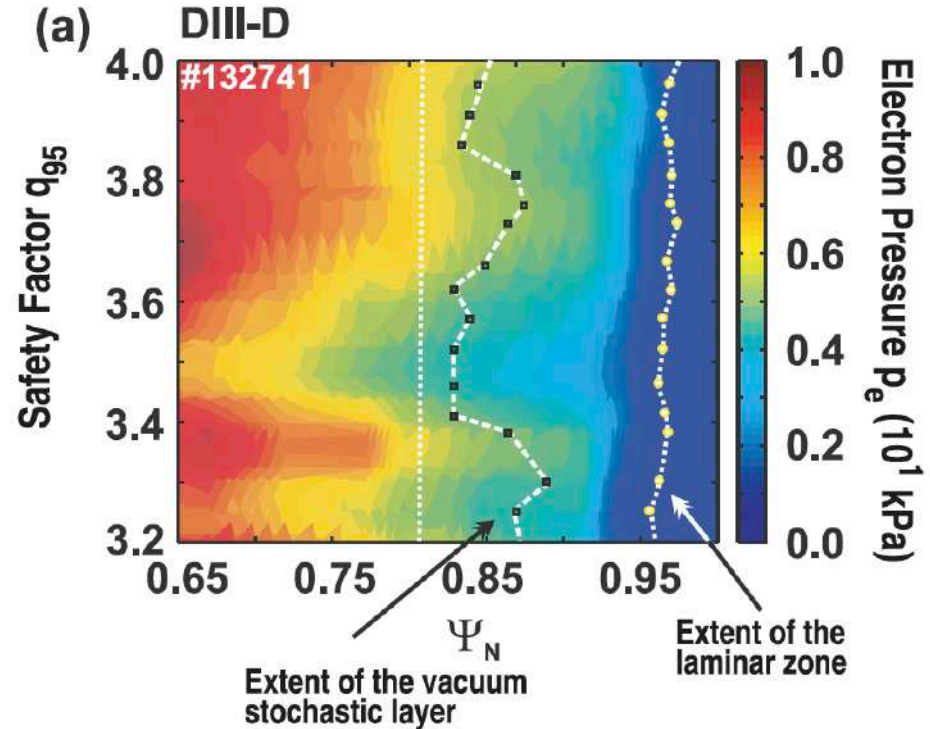
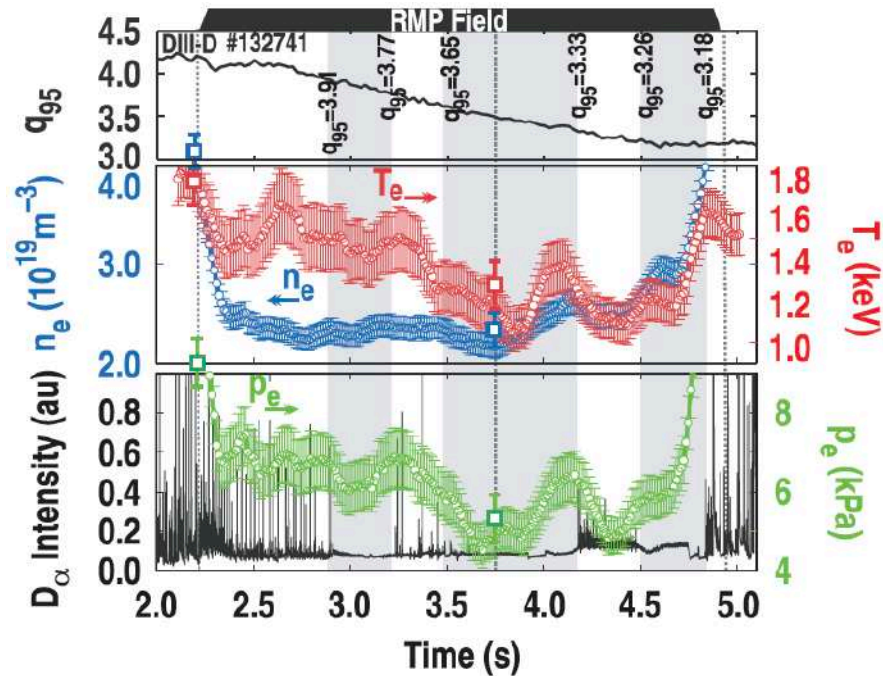
screened case

$$\Delta\tau_p = -15\%$$

A correlation has also been found between inward extension of SOL and pedestal pressure at DIII-D



[O. Schmitz et al., PRL **103** (2009) 165005]

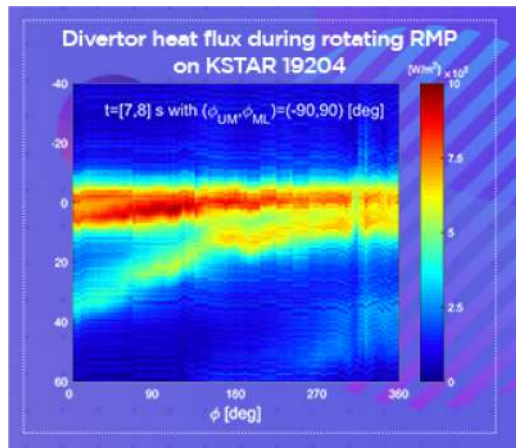


The 3D magnetic edge structure governs the interface between plasma and wall

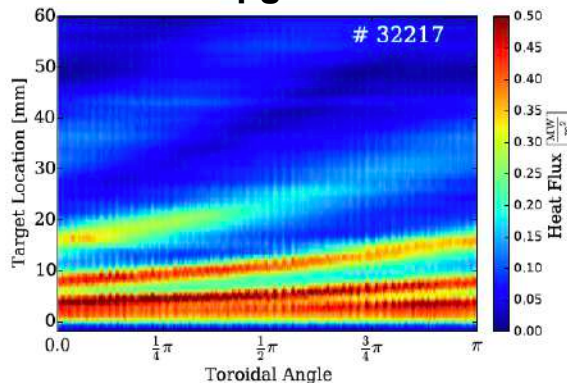
Striated divertor heat fluxes are a commonly observed feature during RMP application and RMP ELM suppression



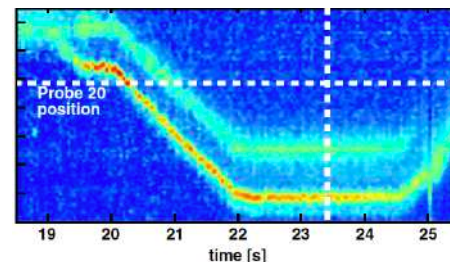
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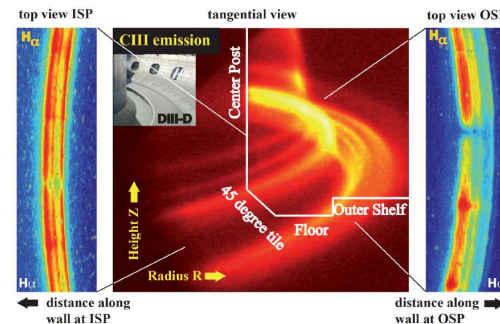
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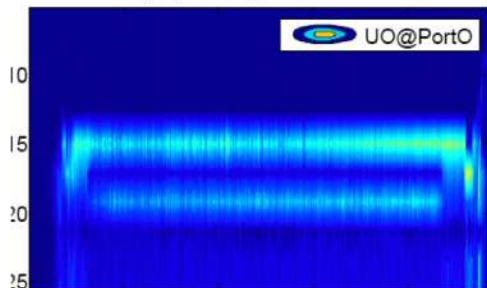
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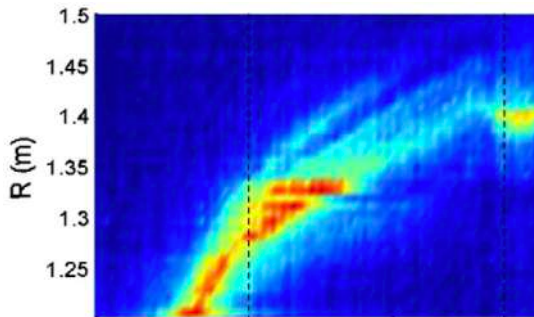
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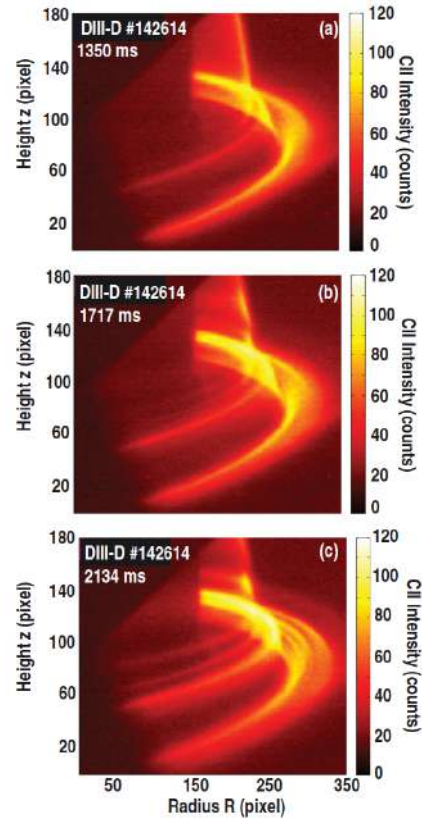
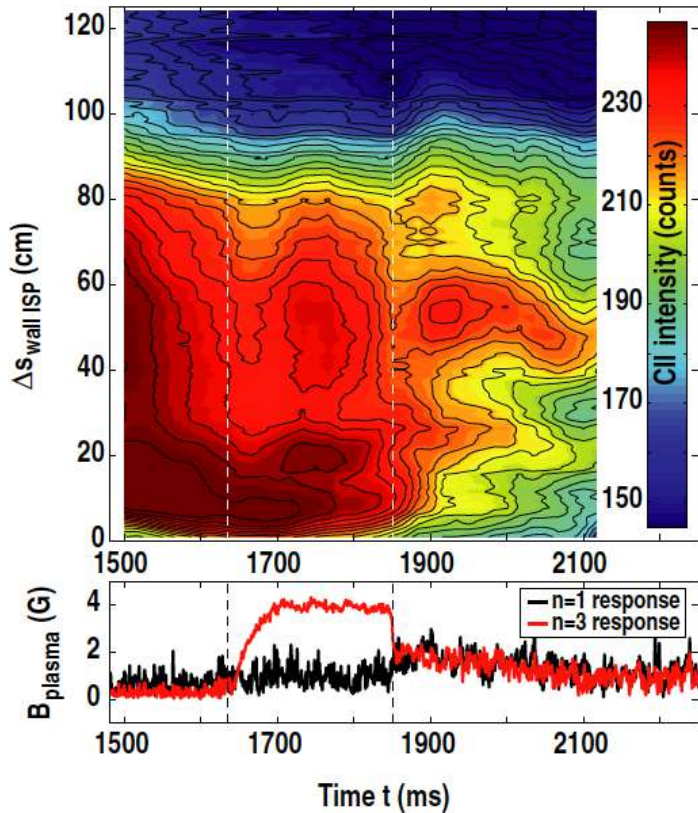
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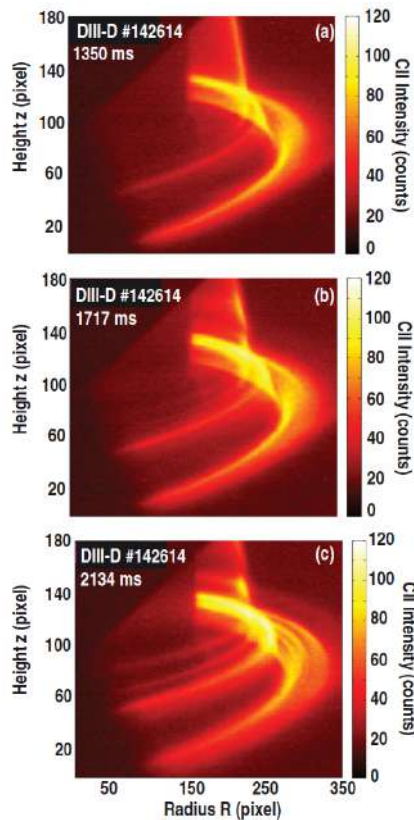
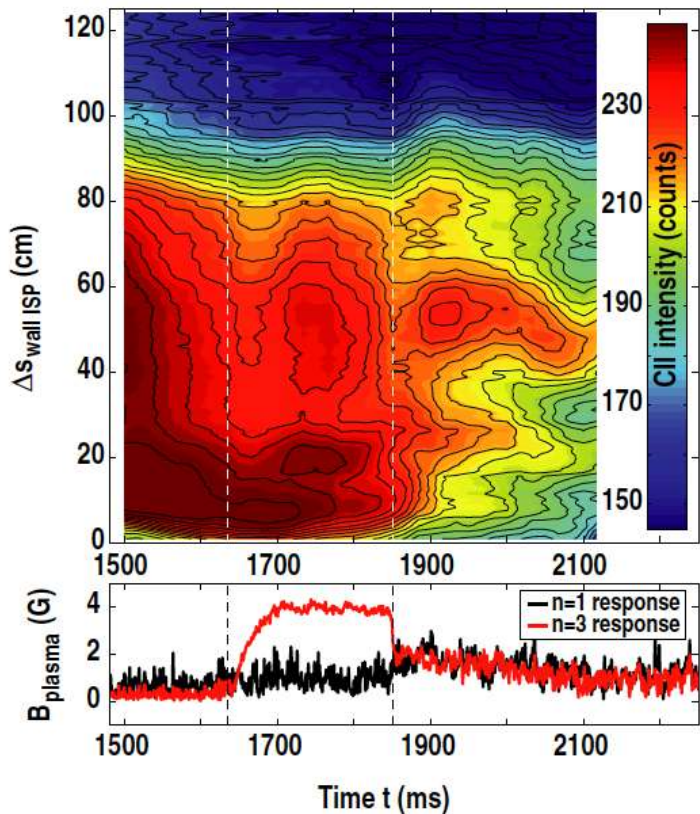
Key questions:

- **Distribution of heat fluxes**
- **Impact of plasma response**
- **Impact on high density /detachment**

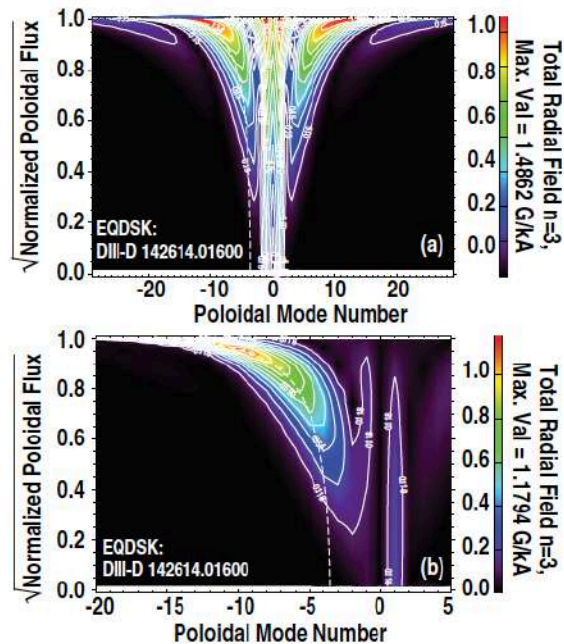
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What does the “Plasma Response” do?



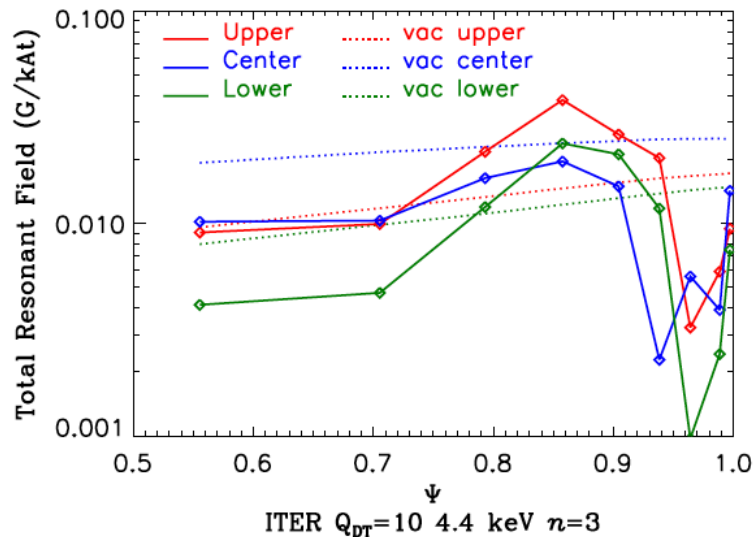
Phase shift of 90 degrees was measured suggesting destructive interference

Very brief: what does the plasma response do to the resonant magnetic field amplitudes?

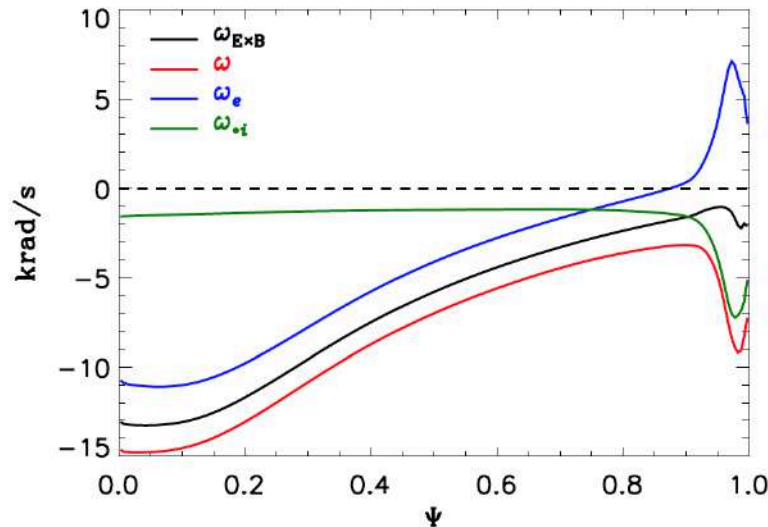


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Linear, two-fluid modeling M3D-C1



Underlying rotation profiles



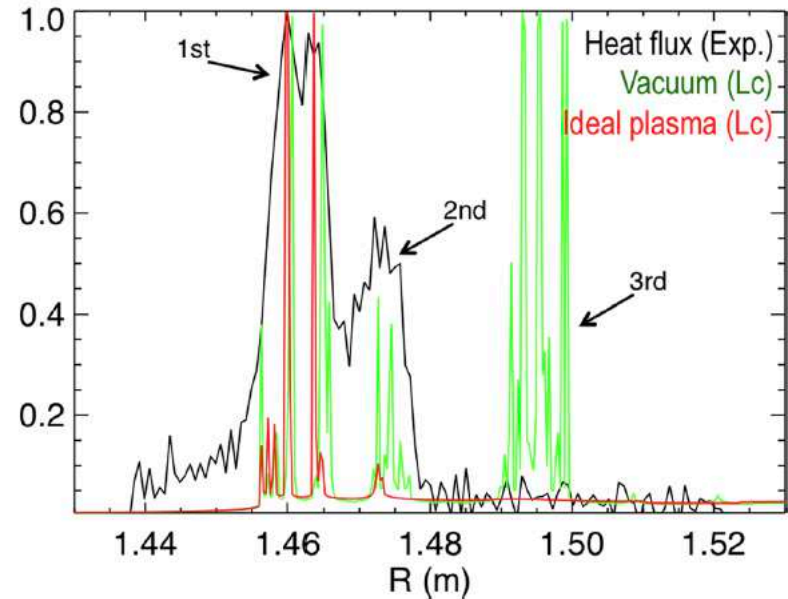
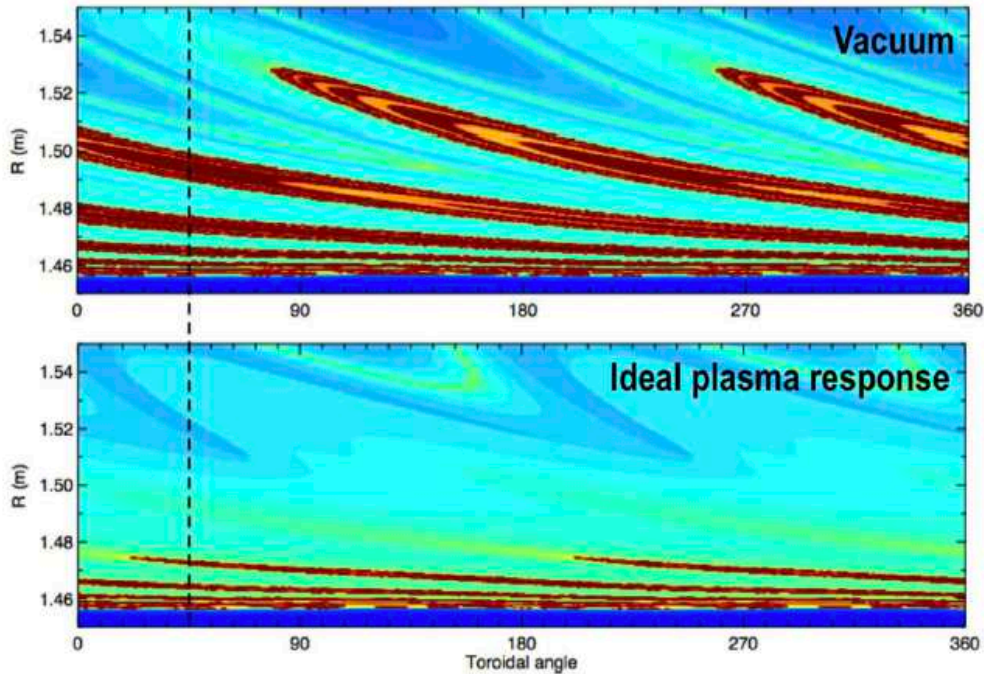
- Linear response shows **strong screening** close to separatrix
- Resonant **field amplification** in plasma edge
- **Moderate screening** radially deeper inside

Congruent, yet not conclusive when compared to RMP tokamaks

At KSTAR, alteration of the magnetic footprint due to the plasma response is seen in heat flux measurements



Compression of helical lobes due to ideal response explains missing lobe in heat flux



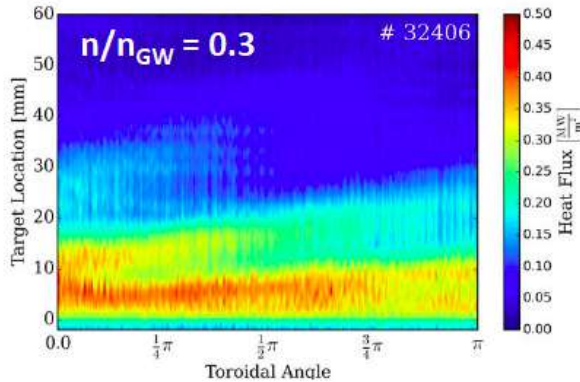
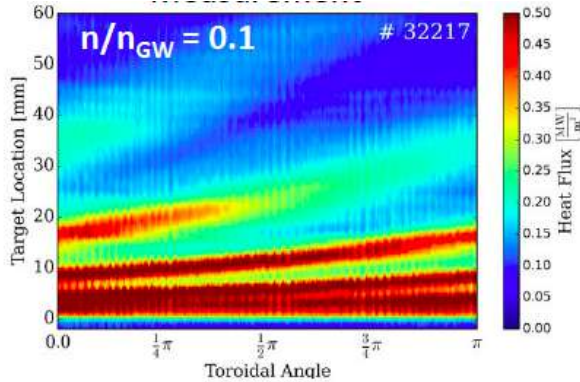
Plasma response needs to be considered for heat flux analysis with RMP

[K. Kim et al., PoP, 24 (2017) 052506]

ASDEX-Upgrade L-mode results indicate that rotated heat flux pattern will be comparable axisymmetric situation

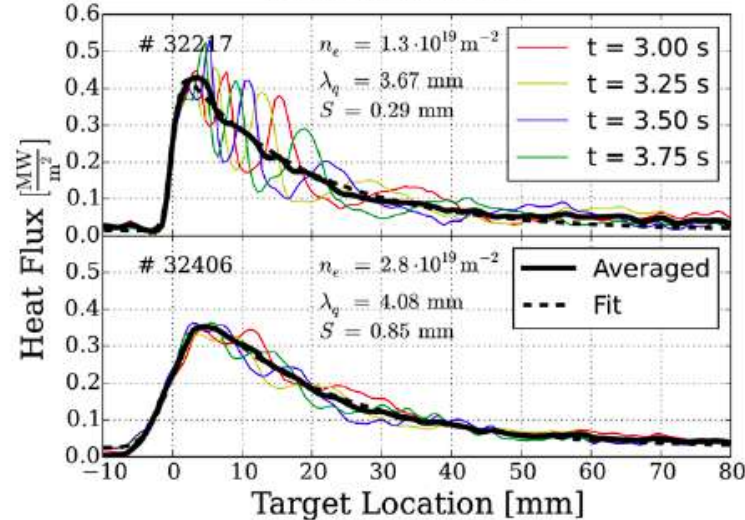


Density dependence suggest vanishing striation in L-mode



ASDEX Upgrade

[M. Faitsch et al., PPCF 59 (2017) 095006]



Can this profile be described by the same shape and decay parameter?

$$q(s) = \frac{q_0}{2} \exp\left(\left(\frac{s}{2\lambda_q}\right)^2 - \frac{s}{\lambda_q J_x}\right) \cdot \operatorname{erfc}\left(\frac{s}{2\lambda_q} - \frac{s}{S J_x}\right) + q_{BG} \quad \left[\frac{\text{MW}}{\text{m}^2}\right]$$

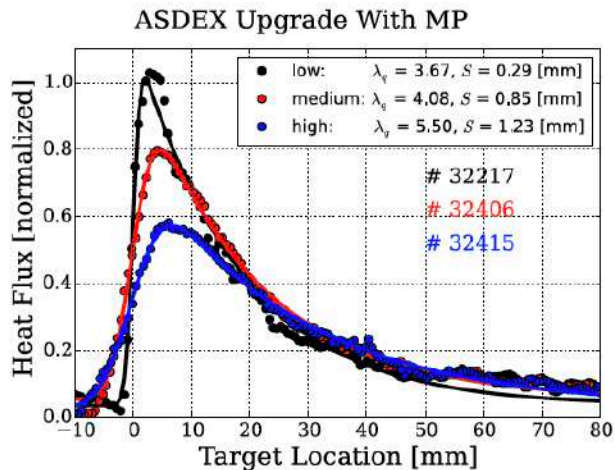
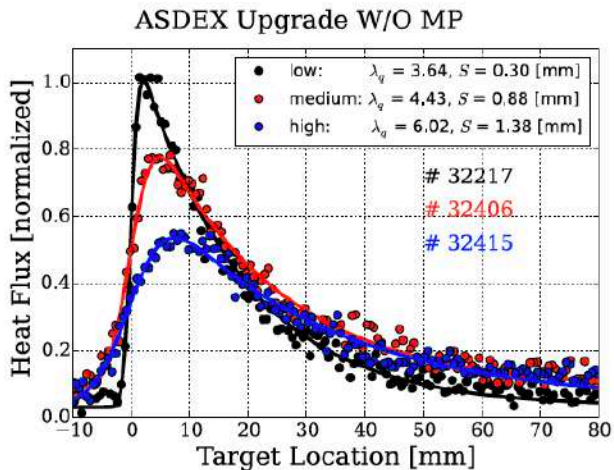
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Lecture by R. Pitts

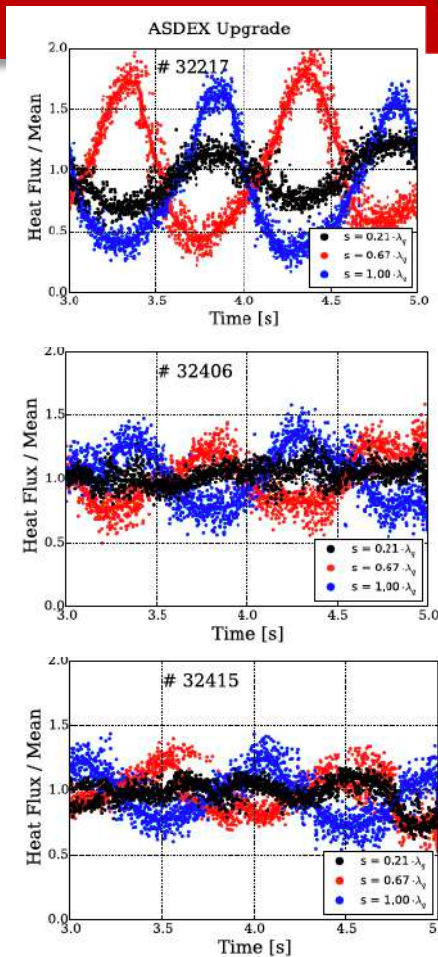
Will the striated heat flux be seen for high density divertor conditions – is it relevant after all?



The toroidally averaged heat flux profile collapses to diffusion governed situation with only moderate oscillation left



[M. Faitsch et al., PPCF 59 (2017) 095006]



No access to RMP ELM suppression in detached H-mode

Need to rely on modeling

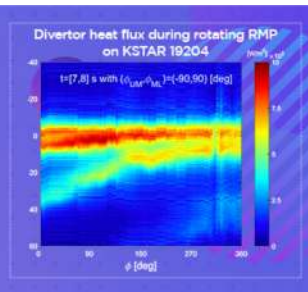
- **Understand reason and relevance of non-axisymmetric tokamak divertor loads**

*You have been wondering
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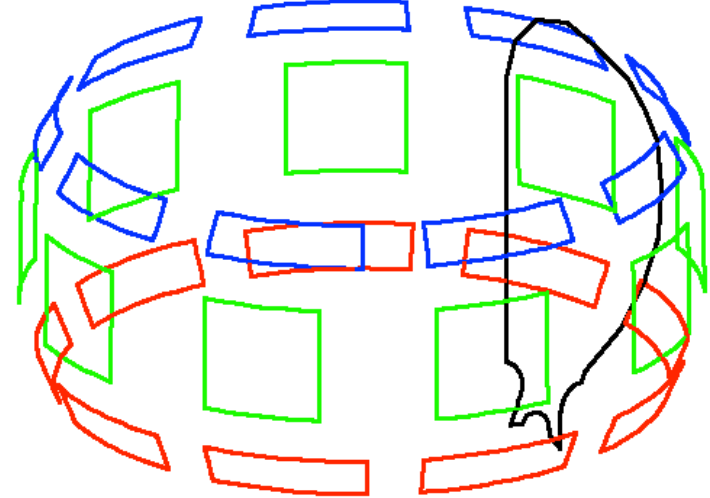
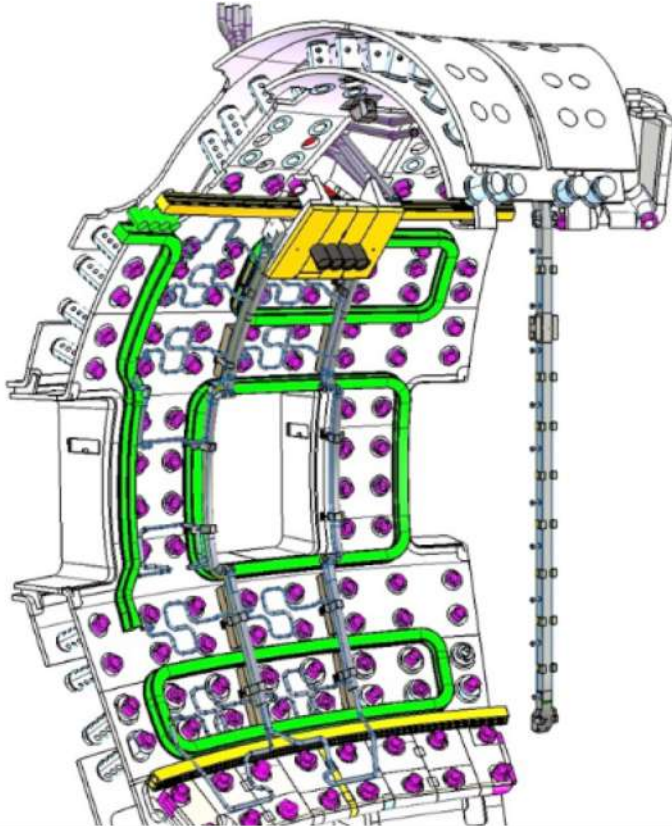
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This lecture will address this!

- Why are these patterns this important?
- Fundamentals of these patterns – where do they come from?
- Implications on plasma edge and PMI – are they relevant?
- **Consequences for ITER – how do we know?**

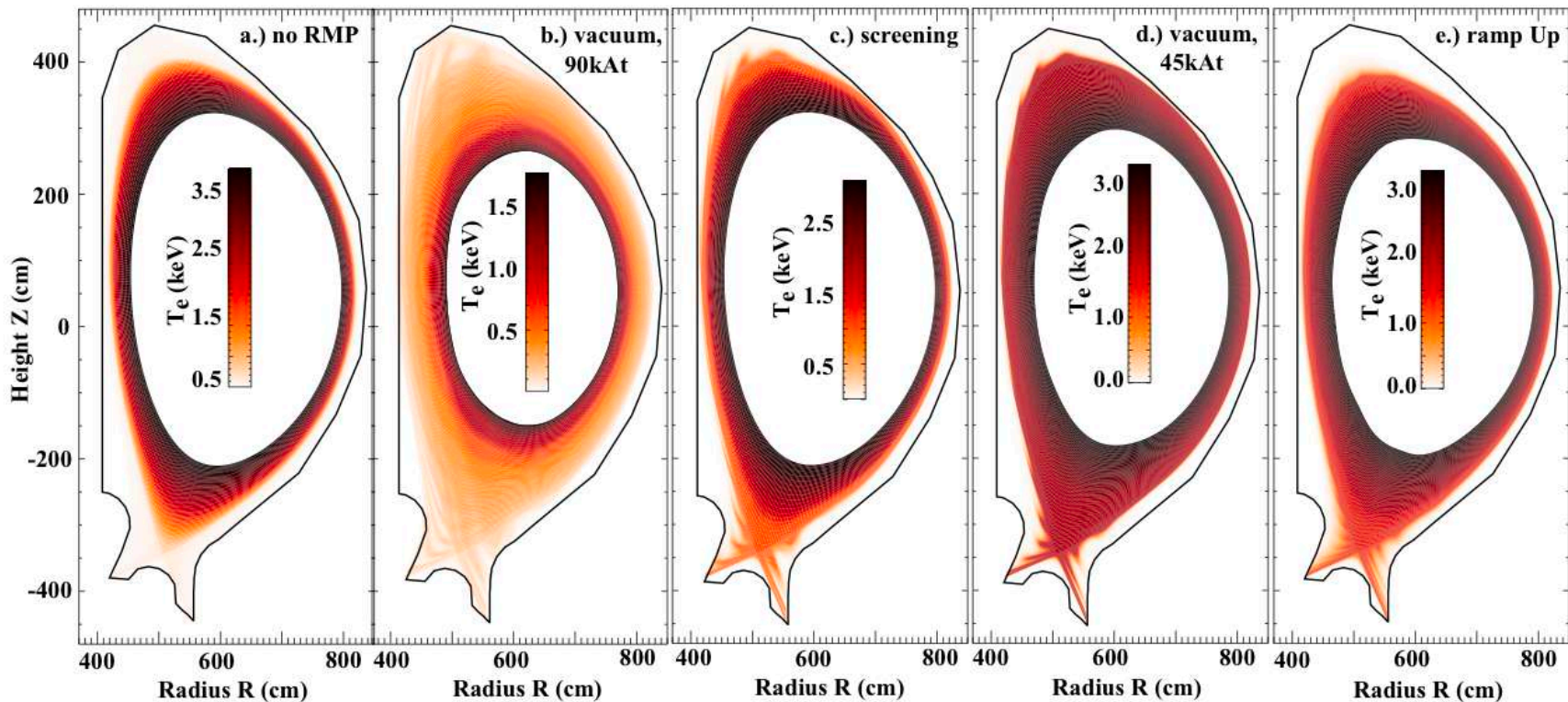
The ITER RMP coil set is a versatile tool for plasma edge control



- In vessel coils mounted behind blanket
- 9x3 coils with single power supplies

Coil set with wide spectral flexibility

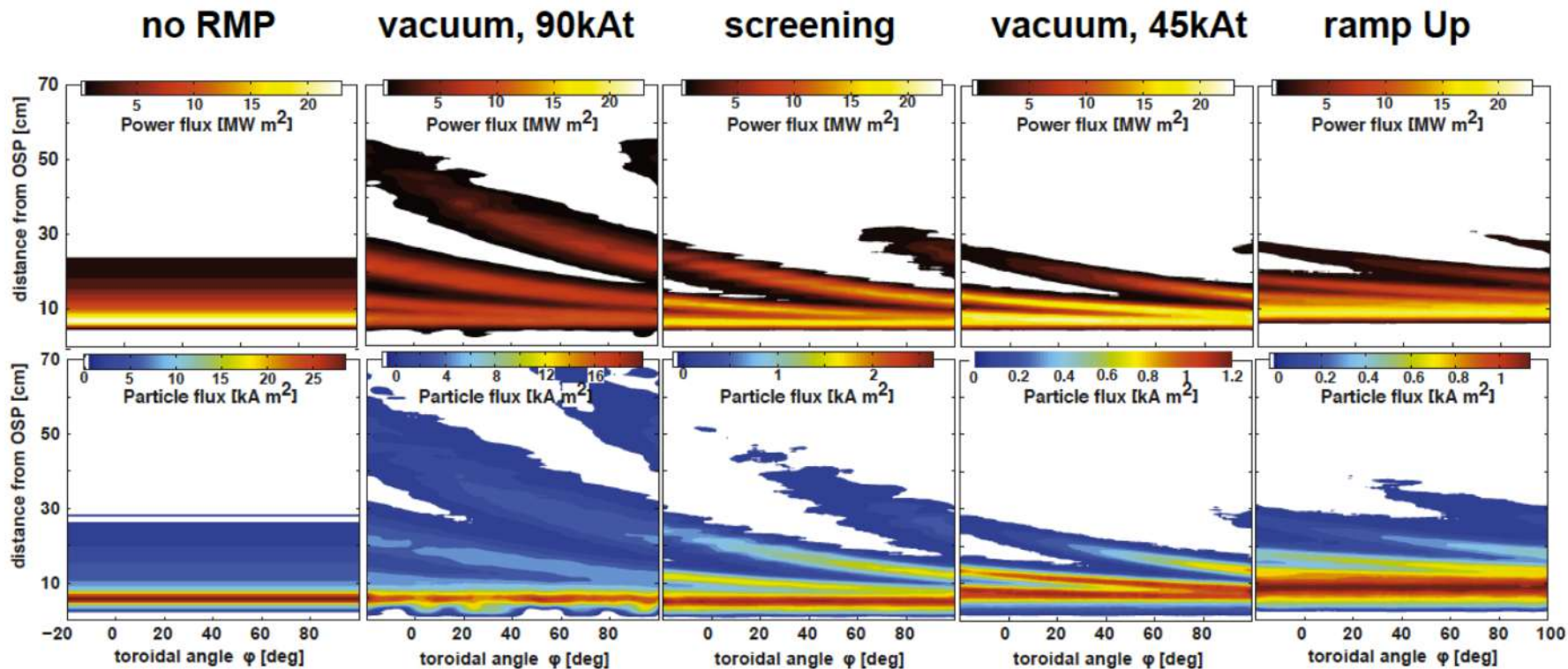
Consistent lobe formation is seen in EMC3-EIRENE modeling



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[O. Schmitz et al. NF 56 (2016) 002149]

Helical heat and particle flux patterns are predicted (attached)

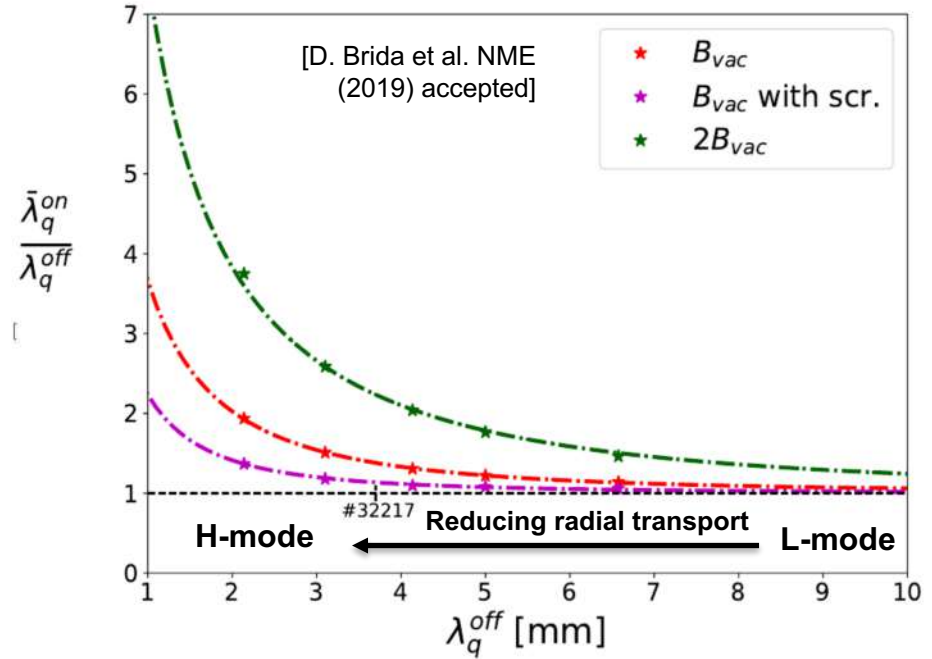
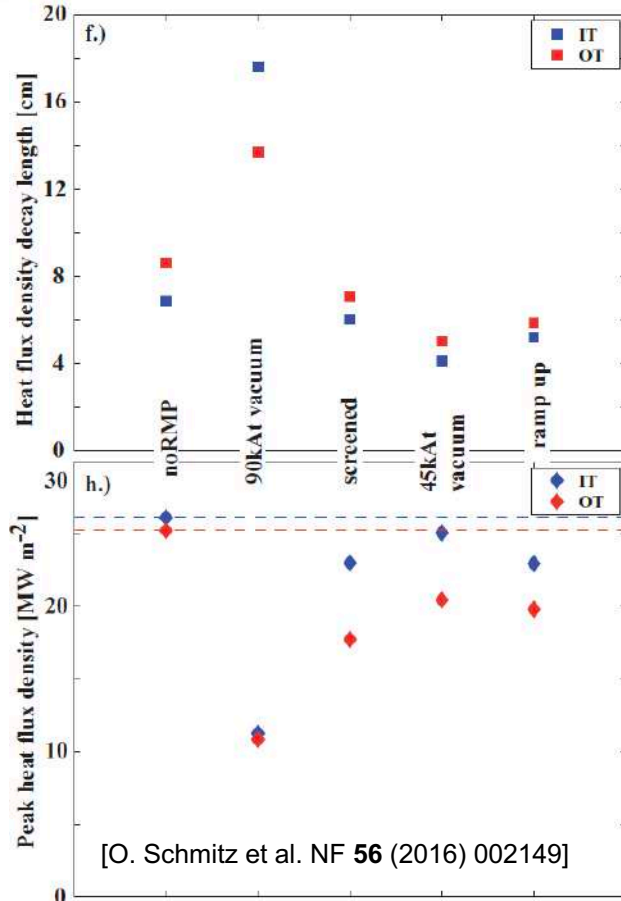


How does this propagate into the ITER divertor baseline?

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Toroidal averaged λ_q with increases for reduced transport



In H-mode a significant (beneficial) impact is expected on toroidal averaged λ_q



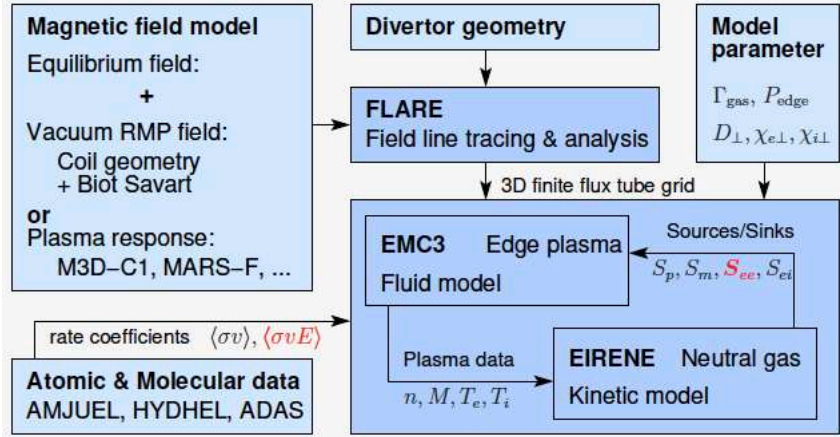
Access to detachment in 3D boundary?

- **Flows affected – momentum balance?**
- **Relocation of fluxes/ different energy sources for divertor?**
- **Fueling/particle exhaust relation from particle pump out?**

Lets have a look!

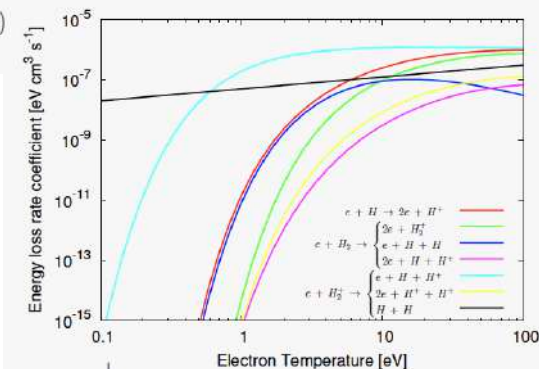


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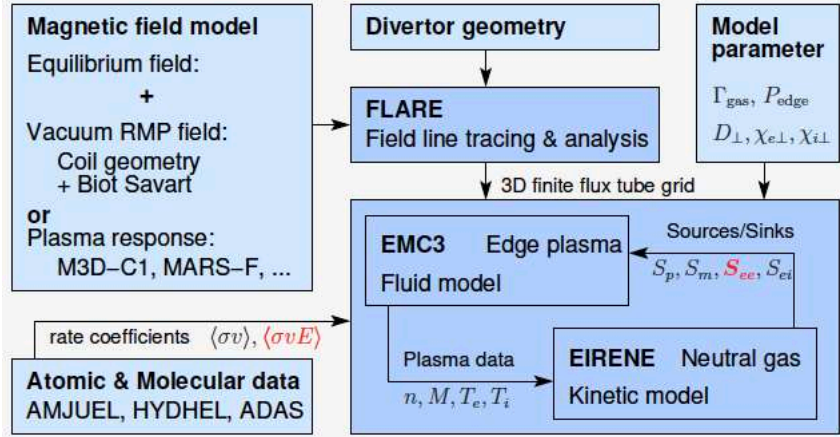
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Plasma neutral interaction is highly non linear at low temperatures

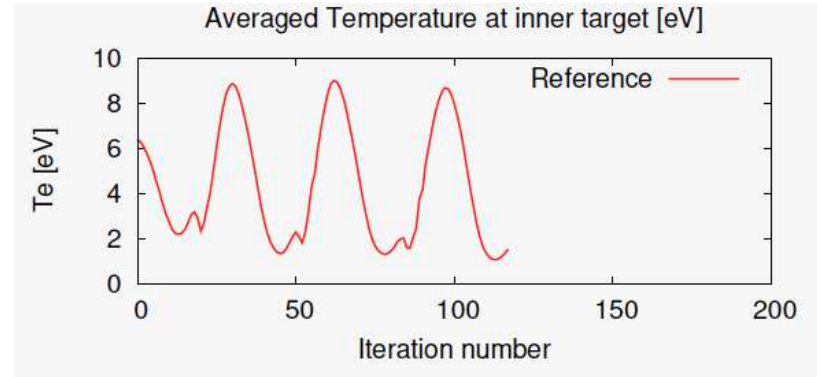




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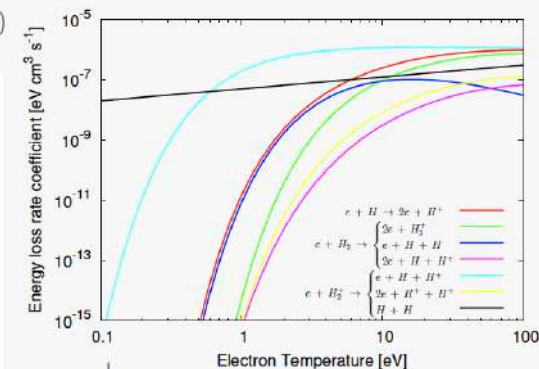


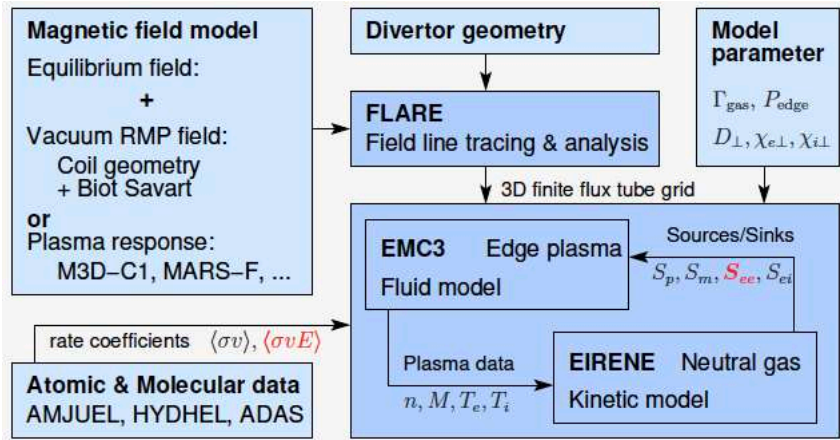
Numerically unstable solution



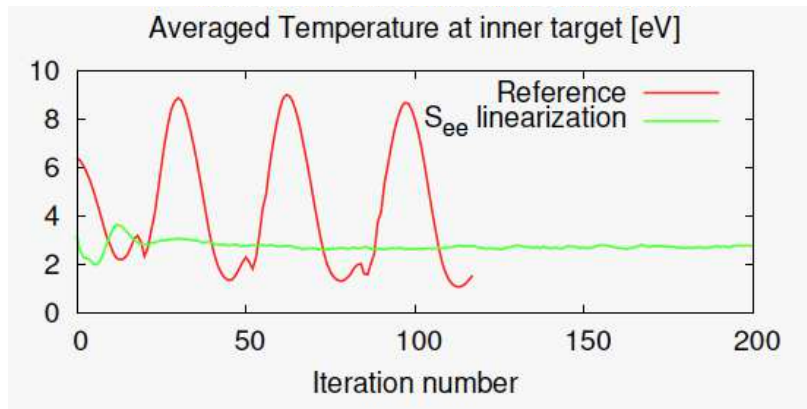
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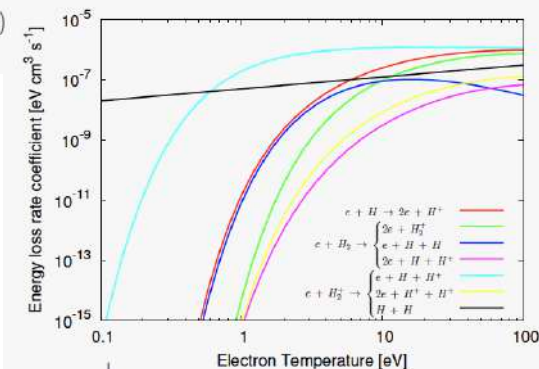


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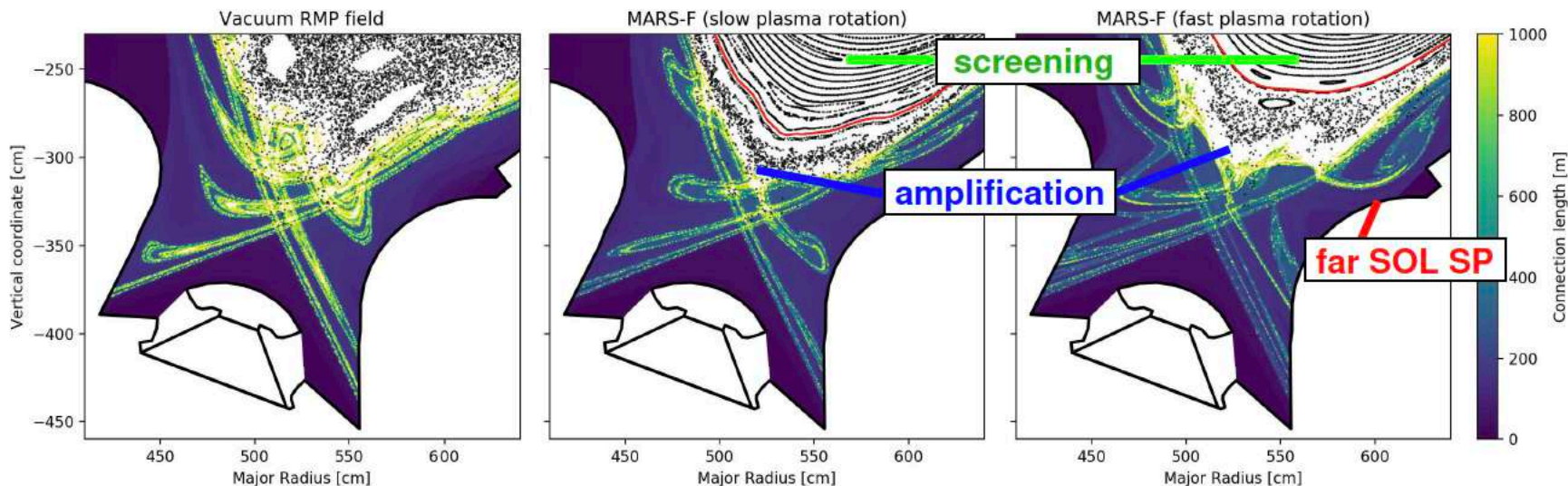


$$S_{ee}(T_e^{(j)}) \approx S_{ee}(T_e^{(j-1)}) + (T_e^{(j)} - T_e^{(j-1)}) \left. \frac{dS_{ee}}{dT_e} \right|_{T_e^{(j-1)}}$$

This enables to model for the first time detached RMP divertors



Exact shape of the 3D separatrix lobes is sensitive to internal plasma response



MARS-F: linear, ideal MHD solution with resistivity and plasma rotation

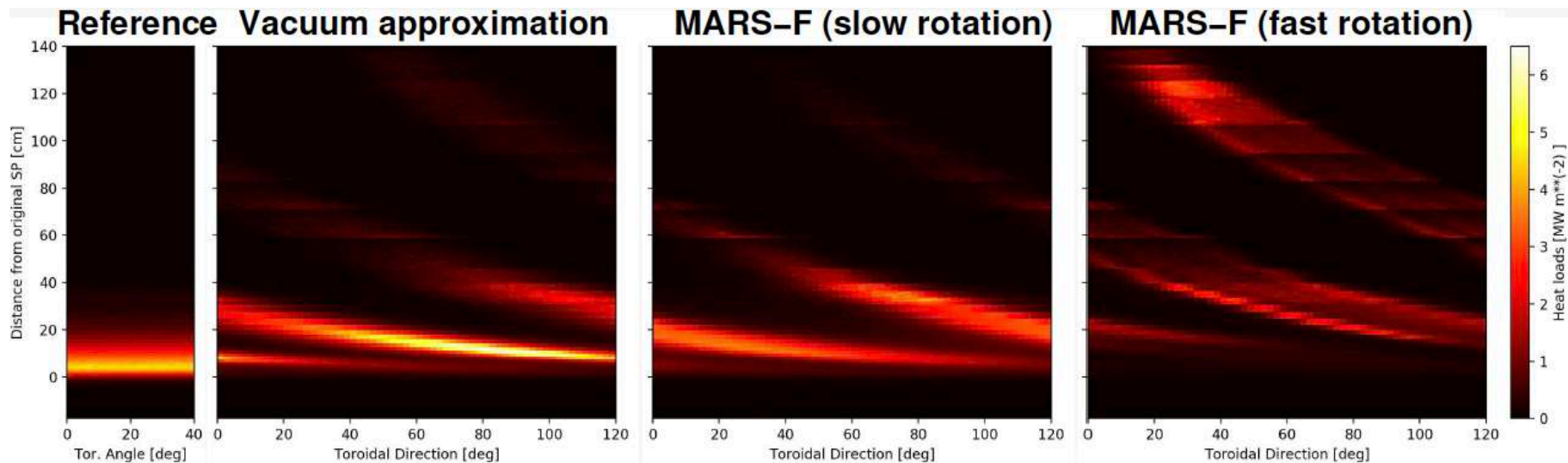
[H. Frerichs et al. APS-DPP 2018, Contributed Oral]

[H. Frerichs et al. Nuclear Material And Energy (2019) accepted]

Helical heat flux can be shifted outward substantially



Attached solution at moderate density shows shift into helical lobes



$$\Gamma_{\text{gas}} = 3 \cdot 10^{22} \text{ s}^{-1}, P_{\text{edge}} = 30 \text{ MW}, D_{\perp} = 0.3 \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}, \chi_{\perp} = 1 \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

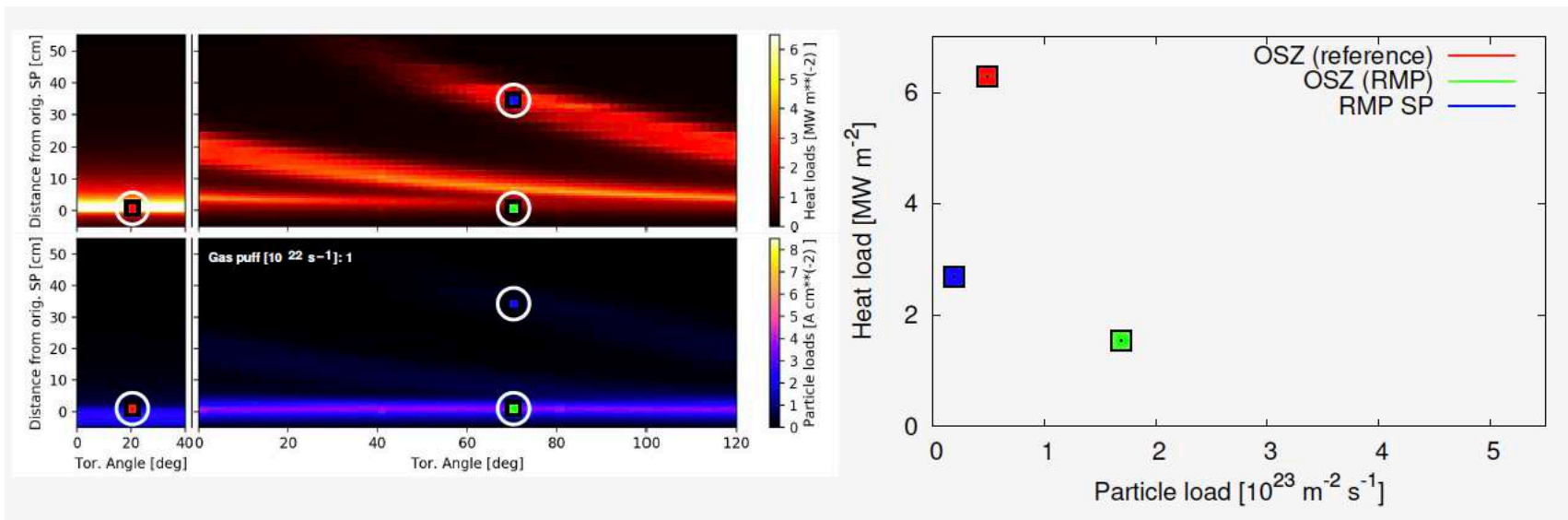
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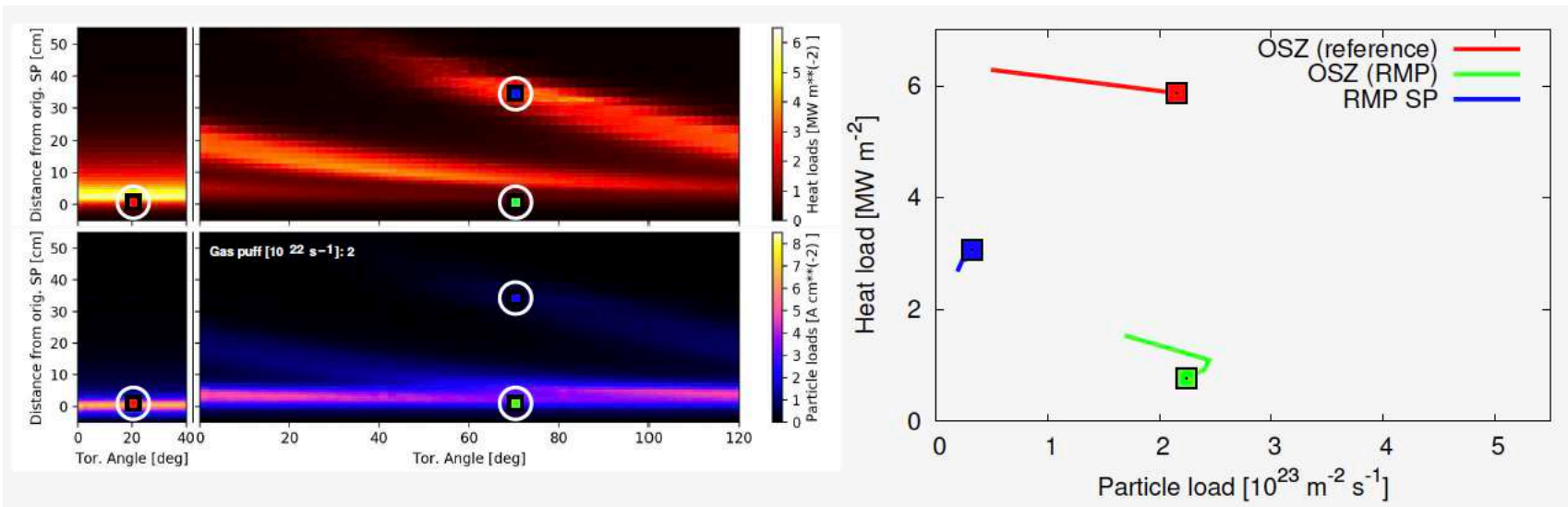
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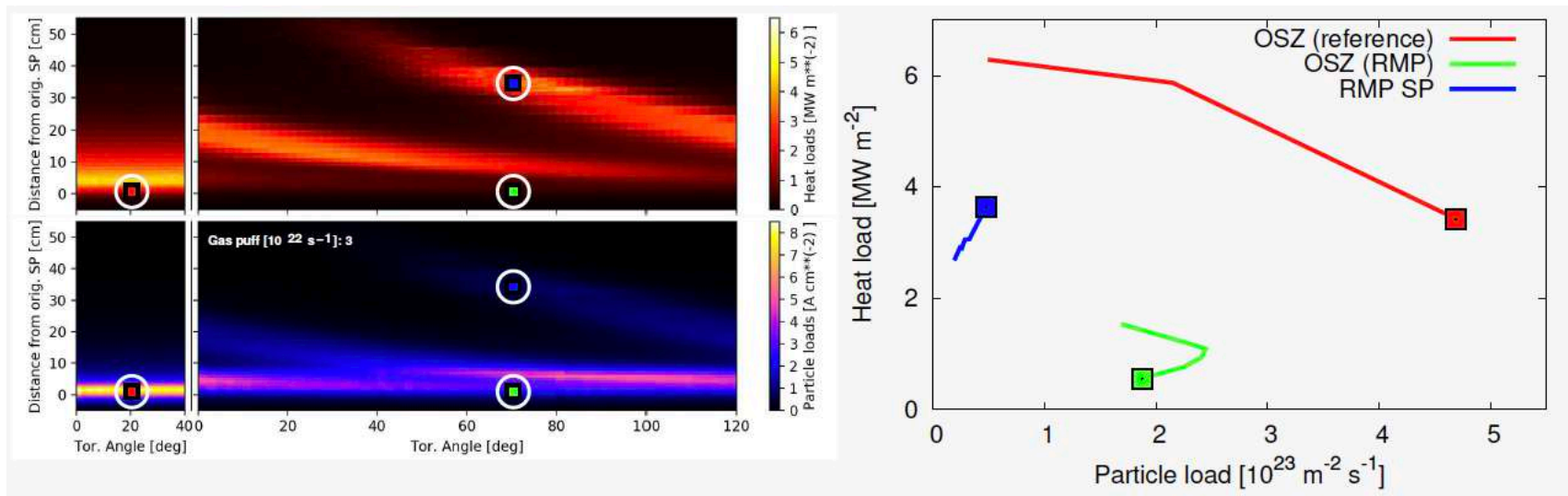


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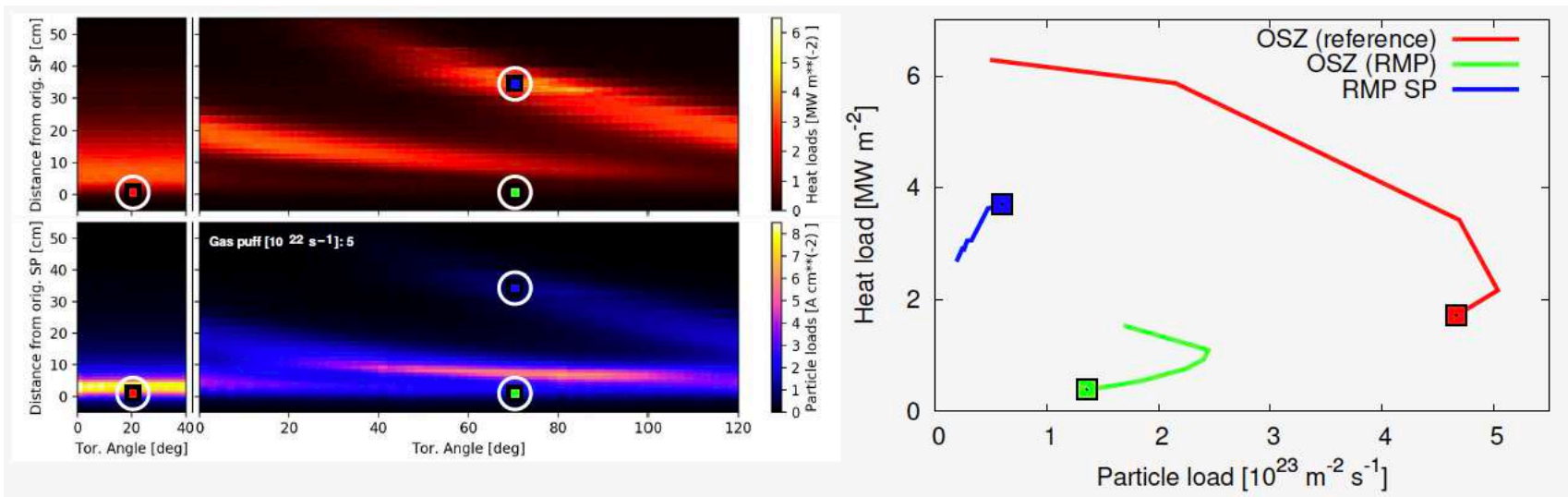


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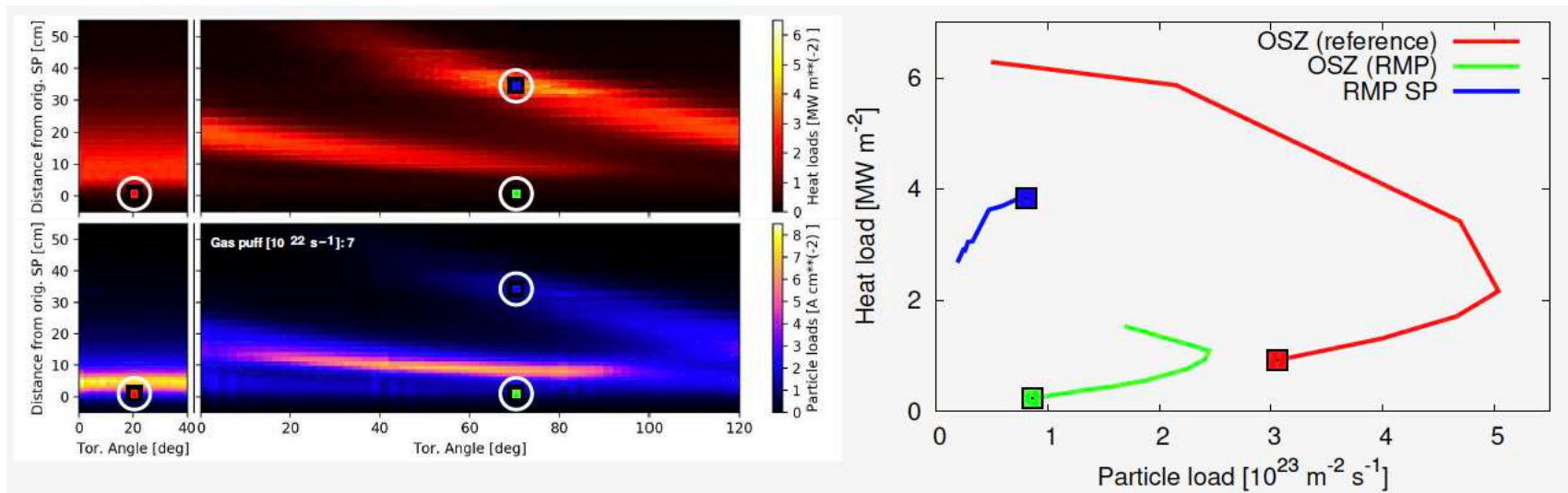


- Roll over of heat flux inside of lobe
- Roll over at original strike line at higher particle flux (later)

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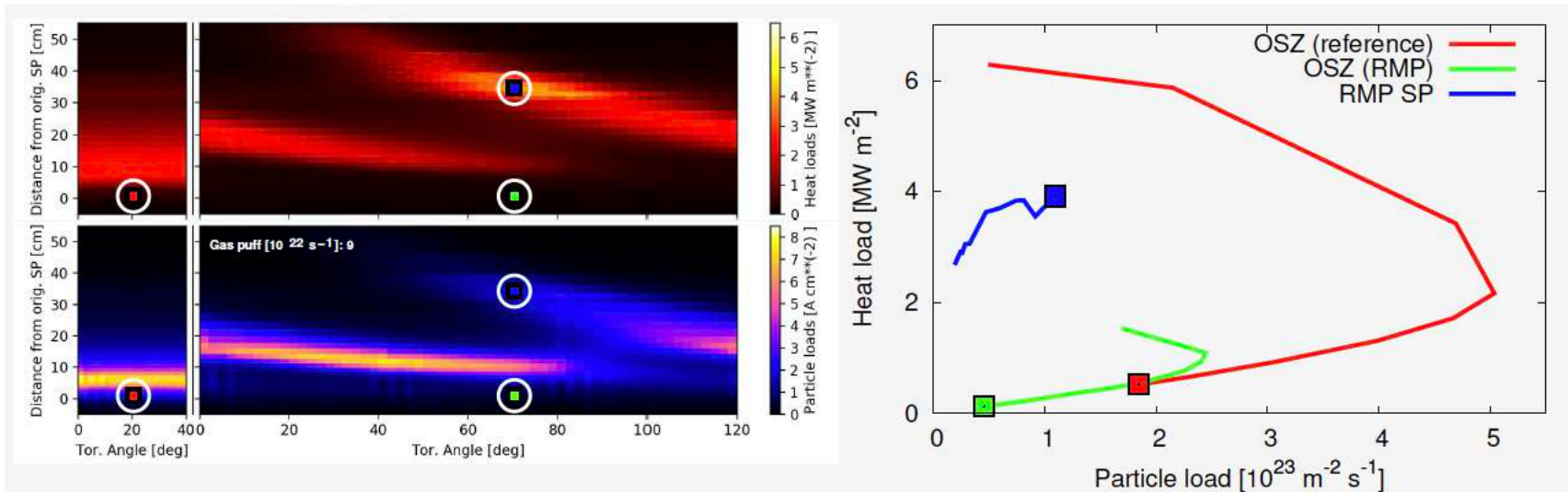


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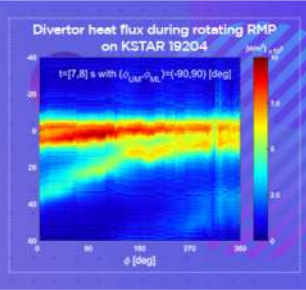
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Hope that became clear!

- **Generic perturbation of separatrix by RMP field transforms the power exhaust challenge into a full 3D issue**
- **Heat fluxes reach unexpected divertor areas which might be designed for this loading and detachment features are affected**
- **Our capacity to extrapolate to ITER depends on advances in modeling and theory combined with experiments**

3D fluid transport - Plasma Response - Location – Rotation – Divertor Cooling