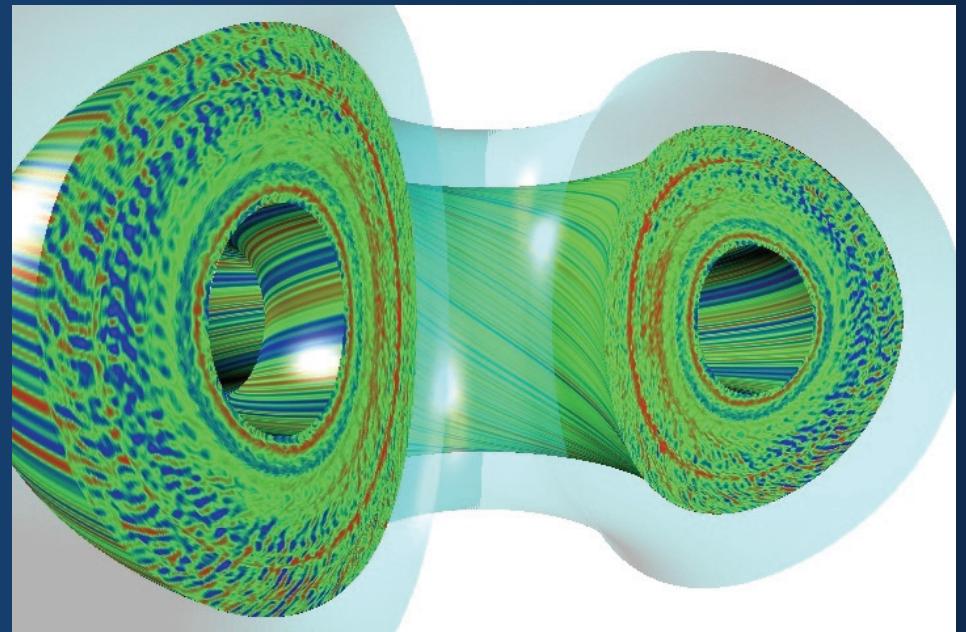


# Discoveries from the Exploration of Gyro-kinetic Momentum Transport

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# The Momentum Transport Discoveries Reported Here Were Made While Verifying TGLF with GYRO

- **New physics was added to the Trapped gyro-Landau fluid transport model (TGLF) for momentum transport**
  - ExB velocity Doppler shift shear is included in the linear eigenmodes using a “generalized quench rule”
  - Parallel flow and flow shear
  - TGLF is a quasilinear model: linear eigenmodes + saturation model fit to nonlinear GYRO turbulence simulations
- **During the process of verification of TGLF with GYRO a deeper understanding of momentum transport was gained and a number of new and interesting properties were discovered that will be reported in this talk**

# Gyro-kinetic Momentum Transport is Caused By Poloidal Parity Breaking

- Poloidal parity of the gyro-kinetic equations refers to the combined operations:  $\theta \rightarrow -\theta, \quad v_{\parallel} \rightarrow -v_{\parallel}$
- If the linear gyro-kinetic equation is invariant under this parity operation then the linear eigenmodes will have a definite poloidal parity (even or odd) and there will be no momentum transport due to the turbulence

$$\Pi_{\text{all}} = m_a n_a \langle \tilde{u}_{\text{ExB}} \tilde{u}_{\text{all}} \rangle \quad \Pi_{\text{a}\perp} = m_a n_a \left\langle \tilde{u}_{\text{ExB}} \ i \frac{c \tilde{p}_{\text{a}\perp}}{e_a n_a} \frac{\partial S}{\partial \psi} \right\rangle$$

The ballooning eikonal  $S$  is the general solution of  $\vec{B} \cdot \vec{\nabla} S = 0$

$$S = n\varphi - 2\pi n \tilde{q}(\psi, \theta) + S_{\psi}(\psi) \quad \tilde{q}(\psi, \theta) = \int_0^{\theta} \frac{\vec{B} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \varphi}{\vec{B} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \theta'} \frac{d\theta'}{2\pi}$$

hence  $\frac{\partial S}{\partial \psi} = \frac{dr}{d\psi} \left[ -2\pi n \frac{\partial \tilde{q}(\psi, \theta)}{\partial r} + k_r \right] \quad k_r = \frac{dS_{\psi}}{dr}$

# There Are Three Types of Poloidal Parity Breaking

- **Poloidal parity breaking by a finite radial wavenumber**

- The eikonal breaks parity through the mixed parity term.

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial r} = -2\pi n \frac{\partial \tilde{q}(\psi, \theta)}{\partial r} + k_r$$

- It will be shown that a finite radial wavenumber is induced by shear in the ExB velocity Doppler shift

- **Direct poloidal parity breaking by up/down asymmetry of flux surface shape (e.g single null divertors)**

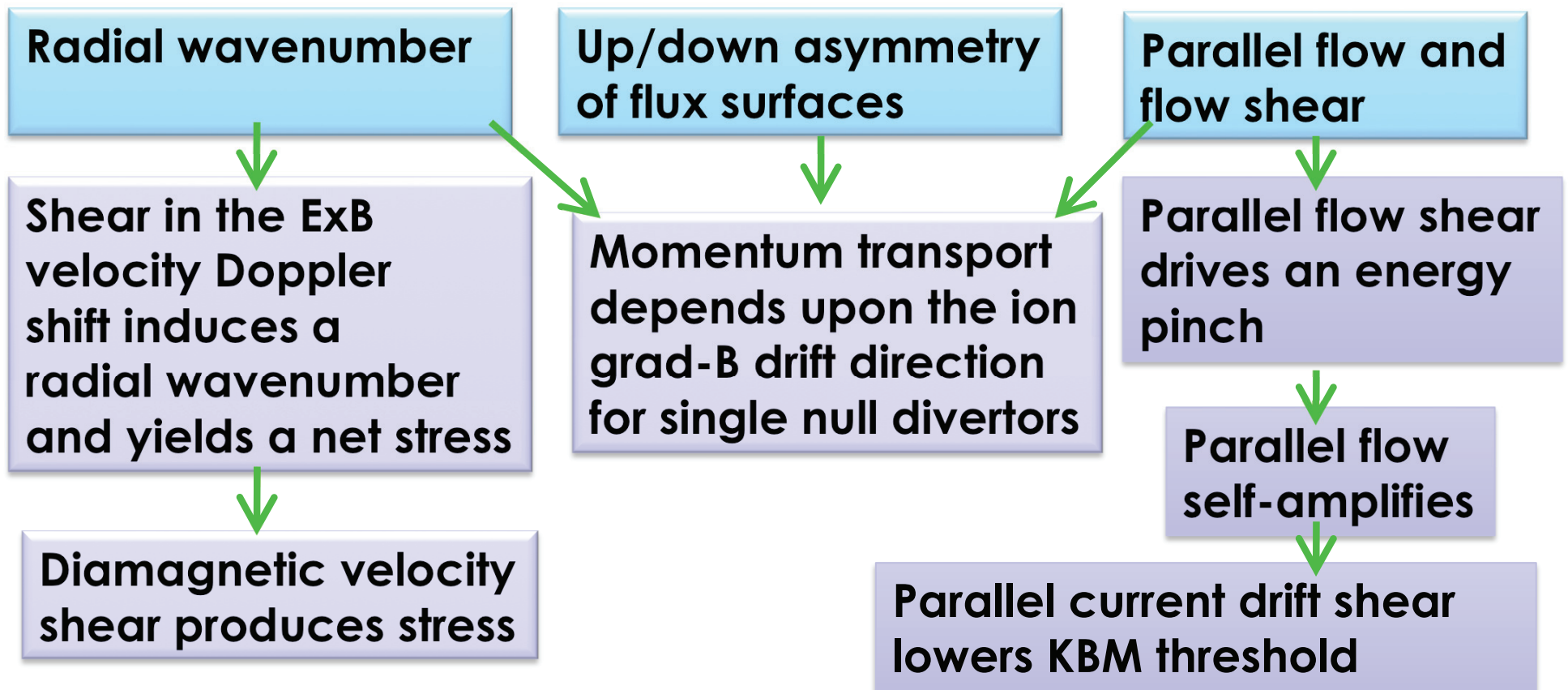
- The eikonal breaks parity:  $\tilde{q}(\psi, -\theta) \neq -\tilde{q}(\psi, \theta)$

- **Parallel velocity space breaking by parallel flow and parallel flow shear**

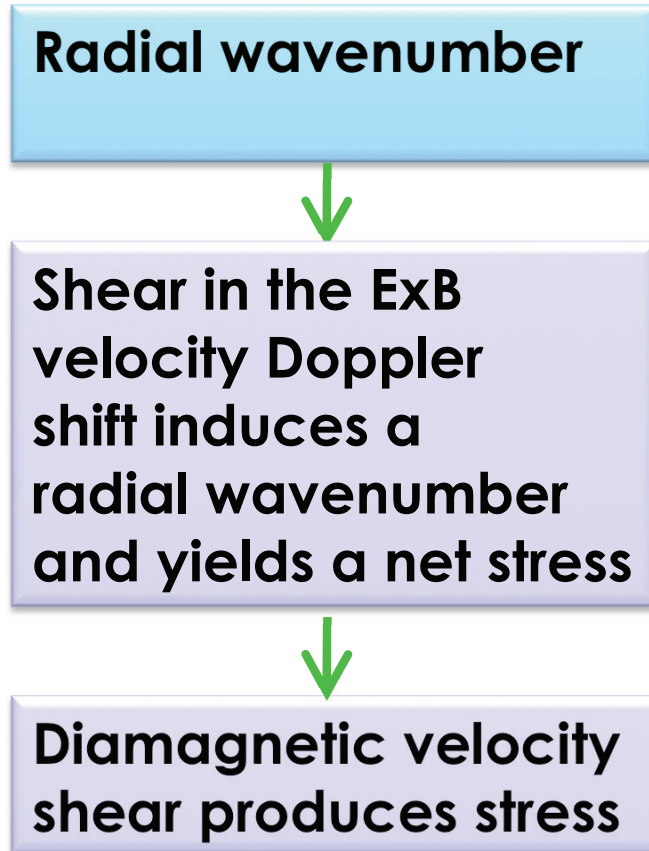
- Both flow terms explicitly break the invariance of the gyrokinetic equation with respect to:  $v_{\parallel} \rightarrow -v_{\parallel}$  (odd in  $v_{\parallel}$ )

# Gyro-kinetic Momentum Transport Is Complex

- In this talk the properties of the three poloidal parity breaking types will be explored as an aid to understanding future momentum transport modeling of experiments



# 1<sup>st</sup> Type of Poloidal Parity Breaking



# Momentum Transport Due to the ExB Doppler Shear is A Signature of the Radial Wavenumber

- Including the shear in the ExB Doppler shift in toroidal eigenmodes has been a theoretical challenge
  - Review by J.W. Connor, R.J. Hastie and J.B. Taylor, 2004 EPS
  - There are travelling wave solutions (Floquet modes)
  - Solving the 2-D eigenmode problem requires finding a radial wavenumber envelope that keeps the Doppler shifted frequency constant across flux surfaces
- The shear in the ExB velocity Doppler shift does not directly break the poloidal parity

$$-i\omega + i\ln\left(\omega_{\text{ExB}} - \gamma_{\text{ExB}} \frac{q}{r}(r - r_s)\right) \omega_{\text{ExB}} = -\frac{c \partial \phi_0}{\partial \psi} \Big|_{r_s}, \quad \gamma_{\text{ExB}} = -\frac{r}{q} \frac{\partial \omega_{\text{ExB}}}{\partial r} \Big|_{r_s}$$

- A radial wavenumber induced by the Doppler shear will break the parity and yield a viscous stress

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial r} = -2\pi n \frac{\partial \tilde{q}(\psi, \theta)}{\partial r} + k_r$$



# Model for the Impact of ExB Doppler Shear on Linear Ballooning Eigenmodes

- The impact of the ExB Doppler shear on energy and particle fluxes computed in non-linear turbulence simulations is well modeled by the “quench rule”. (R.E. Waltz 1995)

$$\gamma^{\text{net}} = \gamma^0 - \alpha_{\text{ExB}} |\gamma_{\text{ExB}}|, \quad \text{with } \alpha_{\text{ExB}} = 0.3\sqrt{\kappa}, \quad \text{for TGLF}$$

- The quench rule can be motivated by the transformation

$$-ik_{\theta} \gamma_{\text{ExB}}(r - r_s) = \gamma_{\text{ExB}} k_{\theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial k_r} \rightarrow \alpha_{\text{ExB}} |\gamma_{\text{ExB}}| \quad k_{\theta} = \frac{nq}{r}$$

- The “generalized quench rule” adds a model for the radial wavenumber induced by the sheared Doppler shift

$$k_r = k_{\theta} \alpha_{k_r} \gamma_{\text{ExB}} / \omega_{\text{di}} \quad \omega_{\text{di}} = \left| \frac{k_{\theta} c T_i}{R_s e_i B_0} \right|$$

- The Doppler shift damping term and the radial wavenumber model are both **included in the linear eigenmode solution** in TGLF so the poloidal parity breaking is in the wavefunction

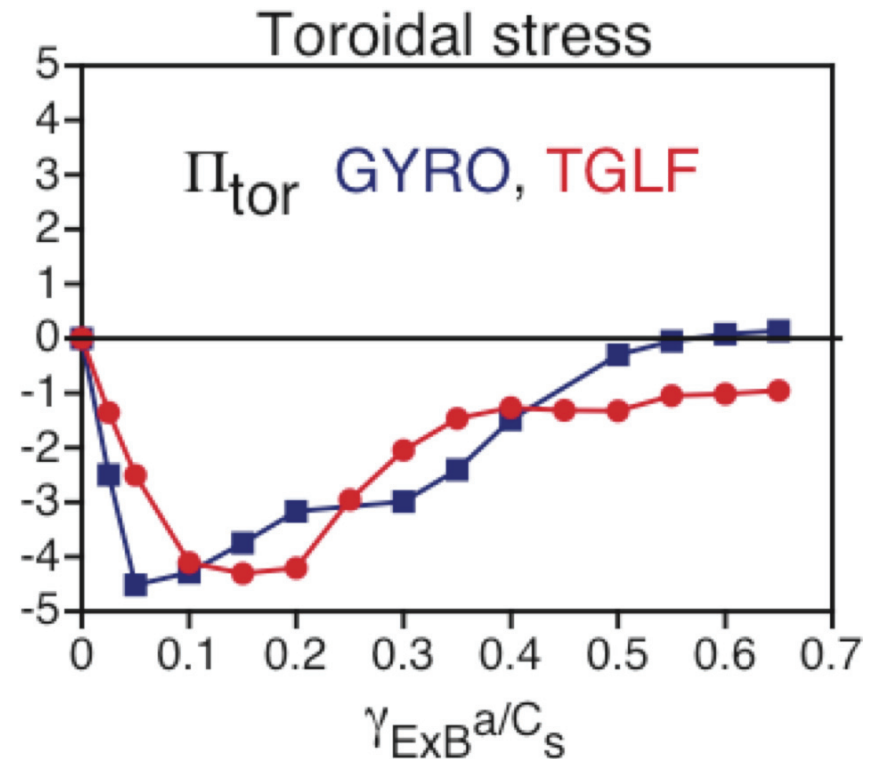
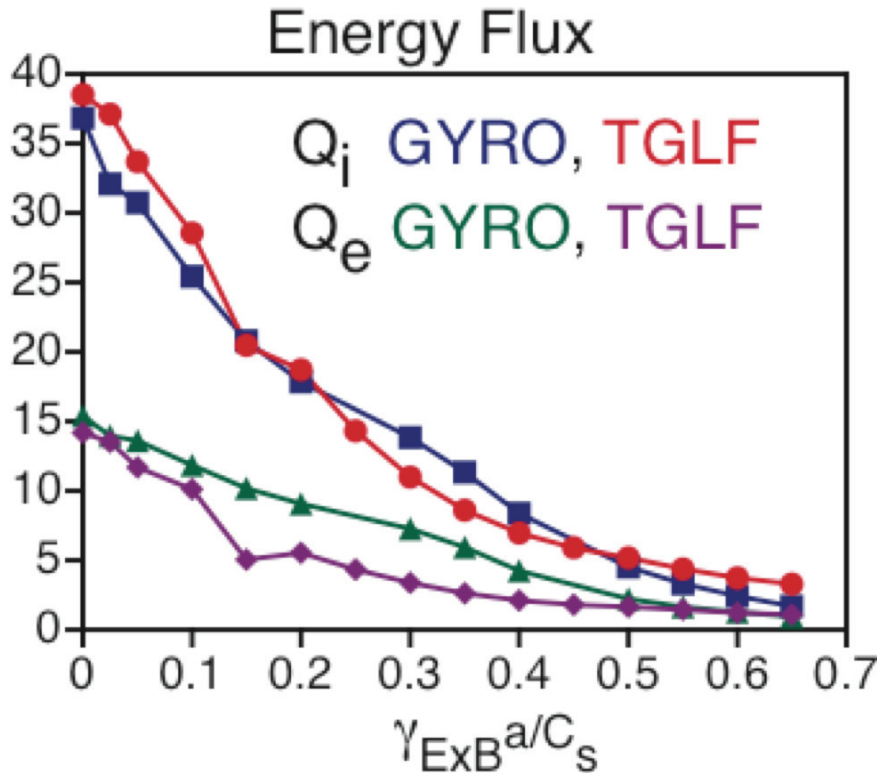


# The Generalized Quench Rule in TGLF Fits the Toroidal Stress and Energy Fluxes from GYRO

- The two coefficients in the generalized quench rule are determined by fitting TGLF to GYRO for the GA-STD-Miller case

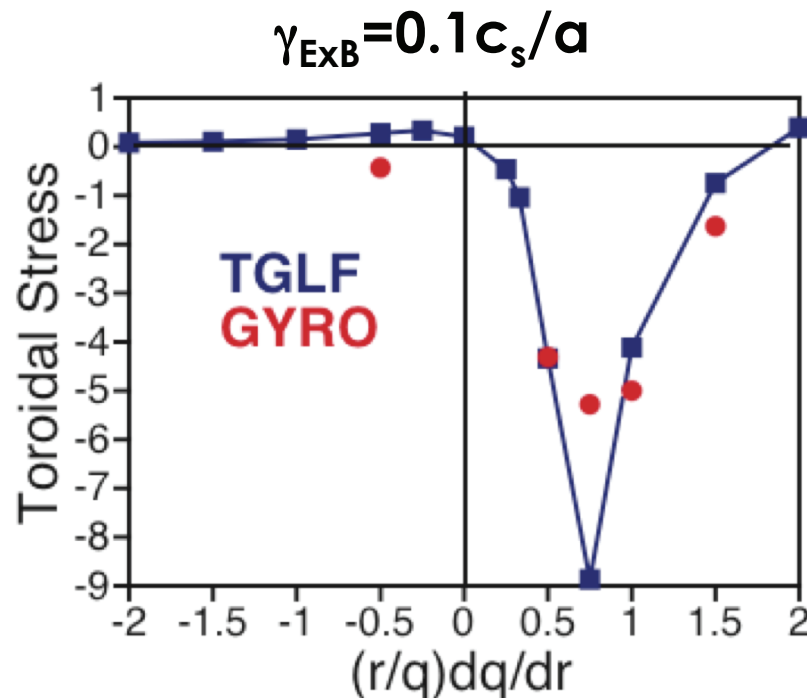
$$\alpha_{\text{ExB}} = 0.12, \quad \alpha_{\text{kr}} = 0.13$$

$$\Pi_{\text{tor}} = \left\langle \frac{RB_T}{B} \Pi_{\parallel} - \frac{RB_p}{B} \Pi_{\perp} \right\rangle$$



# The Magnetic Shear Dependence Of The TGLF Model Agrees With GYRO Simulations

- There is no magnetic shear dependence in the radial wavenumber model. The magnetic shear dependence is a result of the poloidal shift of the wavefunction in response to  $k_r$ 
  - The peak near 0.75 is stronger in TGLF than the non-linear GYRO run  
This is not surprising since GYRO has a spectrum of radial wavenumbers not a single value



GA-STD-Milller case:

$$a/L_n = 1, a/LT = 3$$

$$n_e = n_i, T_e = T_i, R/a = 3, r/a = 0.5$$

$$q = 2, \text{shear} = 1, \text{collisionless,}$$

Electrostatic, kinetic ion  
and electrons

Miller geometry model with:

$$\kappa = 1, \delta = 0, \kappa_{\text{shear}} = 0$$

$$\delta_{\text{shear}} = 0, \rho_{\text{prime}} = 0$$

# Diamagnetic Velocity Shear is Important in Transport Barriers

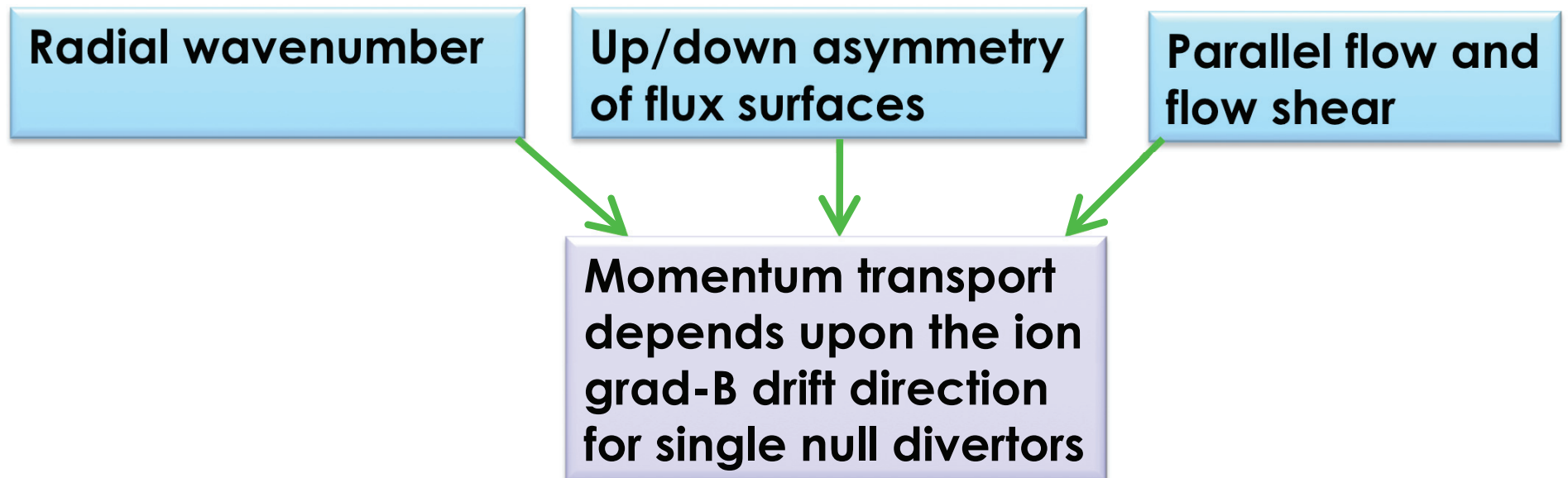
- In the transport barrier region the radial electric field is nearly balance by the ion diamagnetic velocity giving a small net perpendicular velocity

$$\vec{\nabla}S \cdot \vec{U}_{\perp} = \frac{c}{B^2} \vec{\nabla}S \cdot \left( \vec{B} \times \left[ -\vec{E} + \frac{T_a}{e_a n_a} \vec{\nabla}n_a + \frac{1}{e_a} \vec{\nabla}T_a \right] \right) = \omega_E + \omega_{n_a}^* + \omega_{T_a}^*$$

$$\left( -i\omega + i\omega_E + iv_{\parallel}k_{\parallel} + i\omega_{da} \left( \frac{v_{\parallel}^2 + v^2}{v_{ta}^2} \right) \right) \tilde{g}_a = \left( -i\omega + i\omega_E + i\omega_{n_a}^* + i\omega_{T_a}^* \left( \frac{v^2}{v_{ta}^2} - \frac{3}{2} \right) \right) \frac{e_a}{T_a} \tilde{\phi} J_0 F_0$$

- Hence, shear of the diamagnetic velocities are of the same size as the ExB Doppler shift shear within the barrier region
  - GYRO simulations have demonstrated that these “profile shear” effects produce momentum transport
  - R.E. Waltz Thursday 2PM poster session UP9.00052

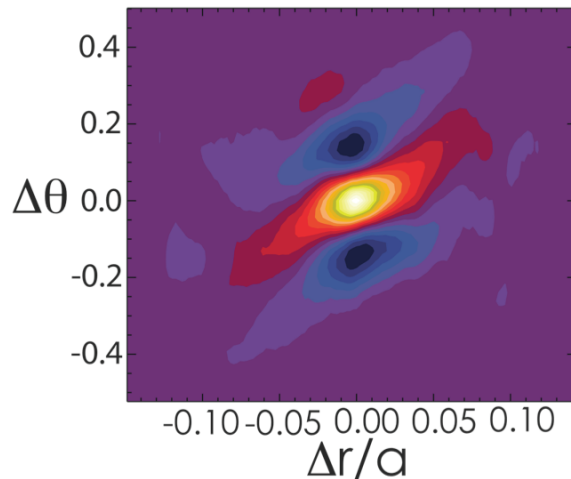
# 2<sup>nd</sup> Type of Poloidal Parity Breaking



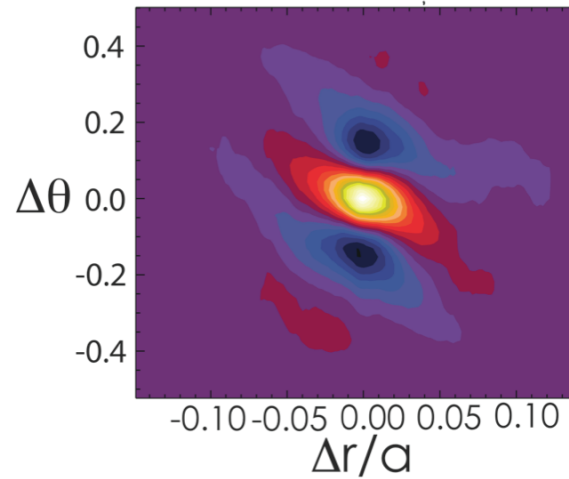
# The Ion Grad-B Drift Direction Matters for Single Null Divertors

- The direction of the poloidal ion grad-B drift flips with  $B_T$ . The sign of the local safety factor also flips but not the radial wavenumber. This changes the poloidal tilt of the wavefunction in response to the radial wavenumber  $\frac{\partial S}{\partial r} = -2\pi n \frac{\partial \tilde{q}(\psi, \theta)}{\partial r} + k_r$   $\tilde{q}(\psi, \theta) = \int_0^\theta \frac{\vec{B} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \varphi}{\vec{B} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \theta'} \frac{d\theta'}{2\pi}$
- For single null divertors, the up/down asymmetry will interact with the eddy tilt producing a dependence of momentum transport on the direction of the ion grad-B drift ( $B_T$ ) relative to the x-point

Positive  $B_T$



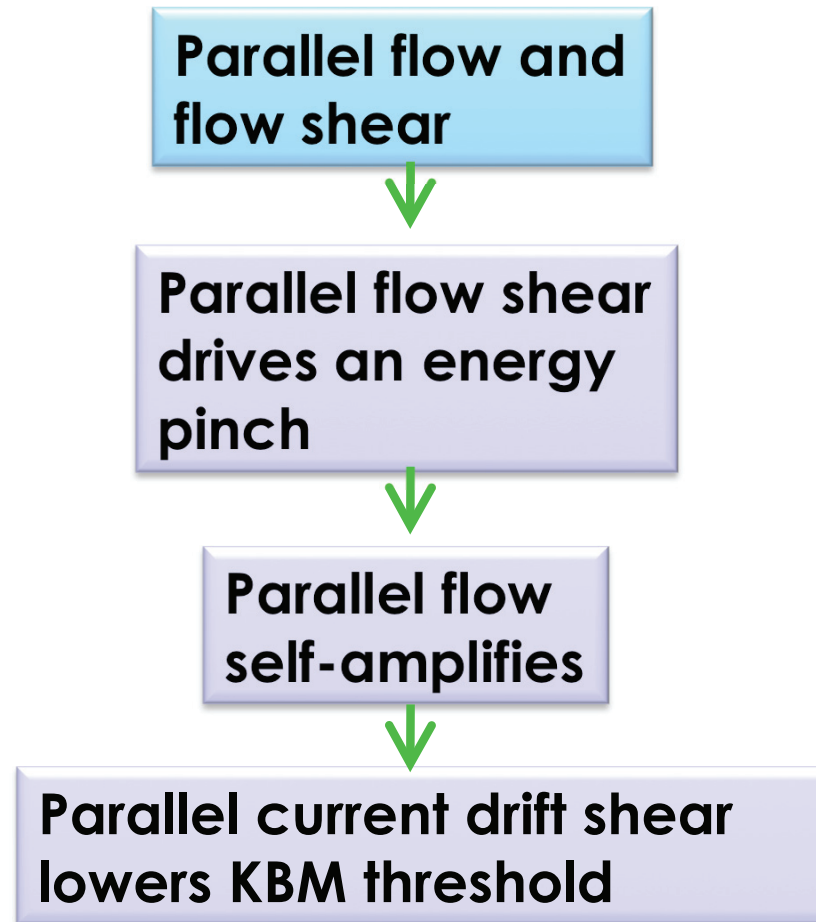
Negative  $B_T$



GYRO  
correlation  
functions for  
GA-STD-Miller  
case with

$$\gamma_{\text{ExB}} = 0.1 c_s / a$$

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Type of Poloidal Parity Breaking



# Parallel Velocity Shear Drives an Instability

- It has long been known that parallel velocity shear drives an instability of the Kelvin-Helmholtz (KH) type
- A simple 2-moment Landau-fluid model shows that the KH mode has a linear threshold due to finite parallel wavenumber

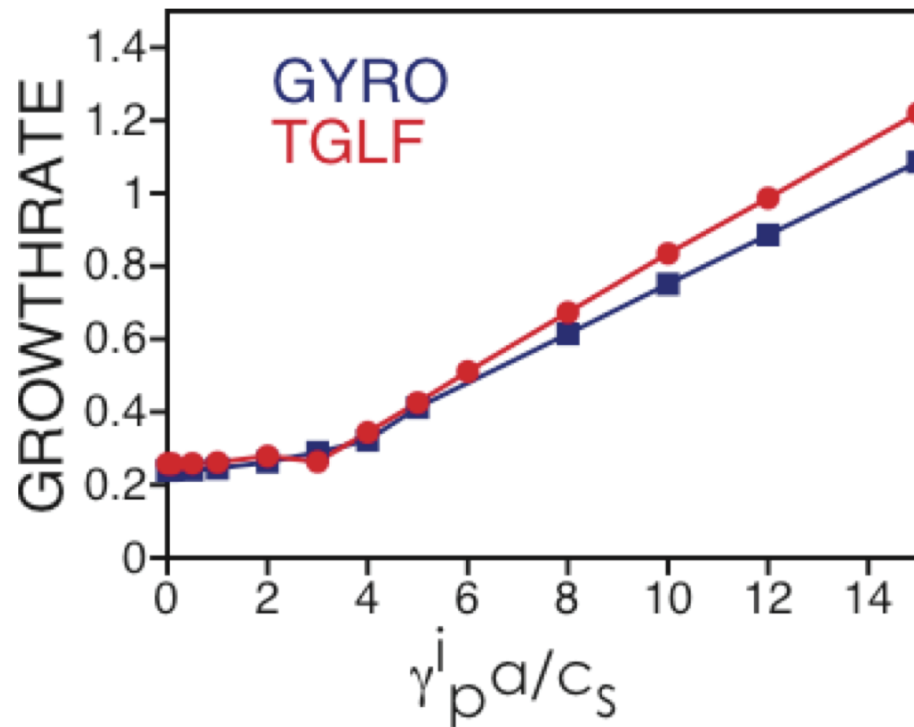
$$|\gamma_p^a| \geq \left| \frac{\Omega_a k_{\parallel}}{k_{\theta}} \right|, \text{ where } \gamma_p^a \approx -\frac{du_{\parallel}^a}{dr}, \quad \Omega_a = \frac{e_a B}{m_a c}$$

- The linear growth rate is maximized at  $k_{\parallel} = \frac{\gamma_p^a k_{\theta}}{2\Omega_a}$
- Accurately computing the KH mode growth rate at high drive requires higher parallel wavenumber resolution than for drift-waves
- The pure KH mode has an odd poloidal parity electrostatic potential



# TGLF Matches Linear GYRO KH Eigenvalues Well

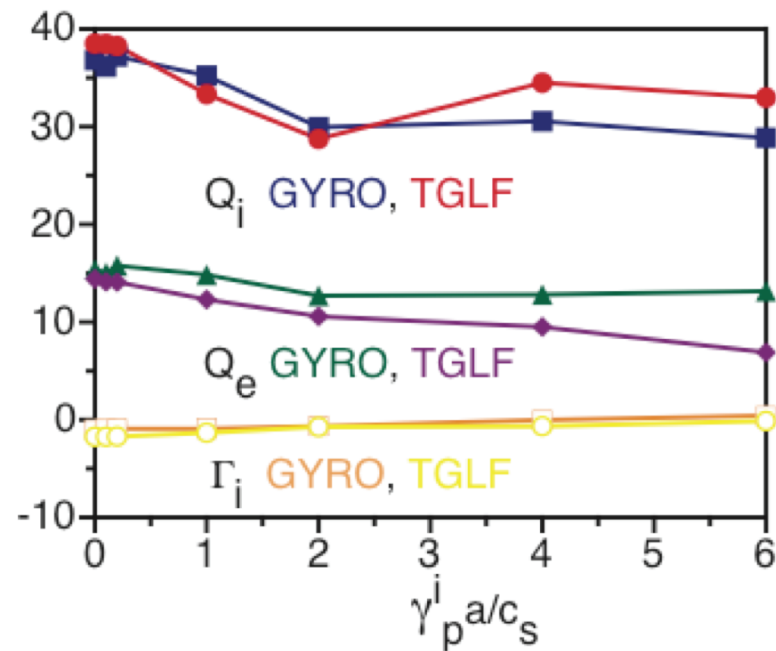
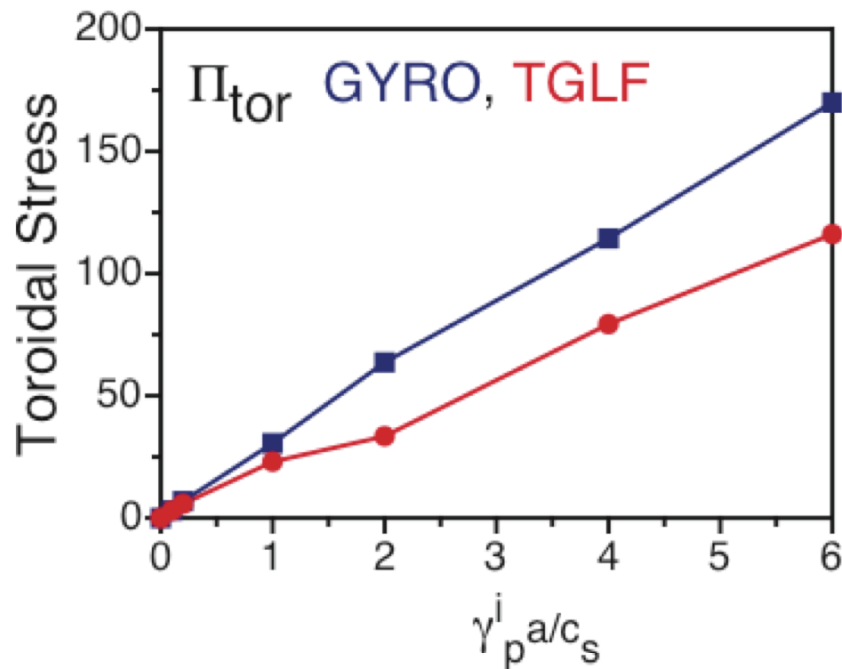
- **TGLF Linear growth rates for the GA-STD case match GYRO results with high-parallel resolution**
  - Frequencies also agree
  - Kotschenreuther's linear gyro-kinetic code GKS matches also



GA-STD case with  $k_y=0.3$ :  
 $a/L_n=1$ ,  $a/L_T=3$   
 $n_e=n_i$ ,  $T_e=T_i$ ,  $R/a=3$ ,  $r/a=0.5$   
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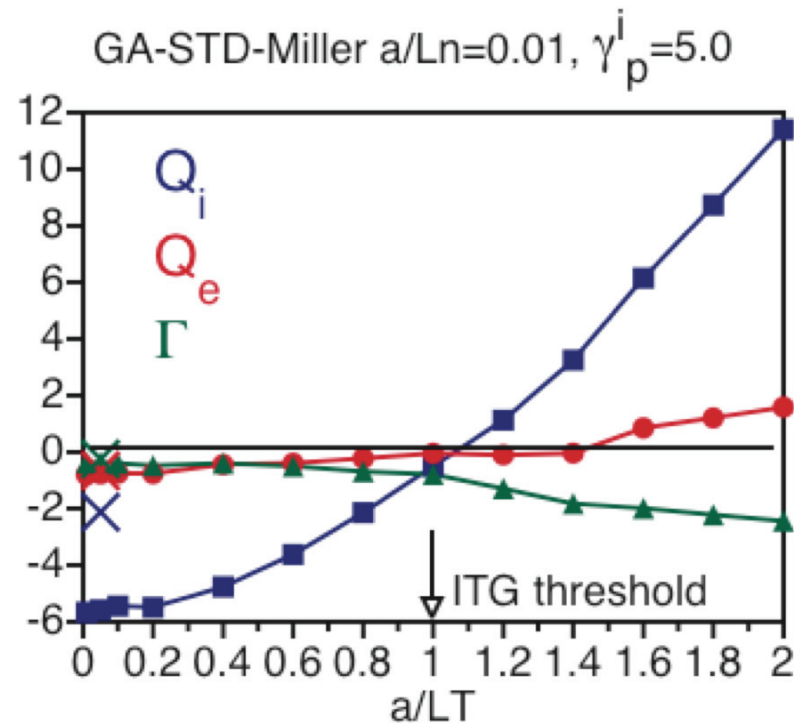
# TGLF Needs Adjustment to Match Nonlinear Toroidal Stress Due to Parallel Velocity Shear

- Using the TGLF saturation rule developed for drift-waves the toroidal stress for the GA-STD-Miller case is lower than GYRO
  - It is not simple to fix since there is good agreement at low parallel velocity shear and the energy and particle fluxes are good



# The KH Mode Can Drive A Net Energy Pinch

- When the ion temperature gradient is below the ITG mode threshold the KH mode yields a net negative energy flux
- This energy pinch could result in an effective experimental ion energy diffusivity below the neoclassical level in the deep core region

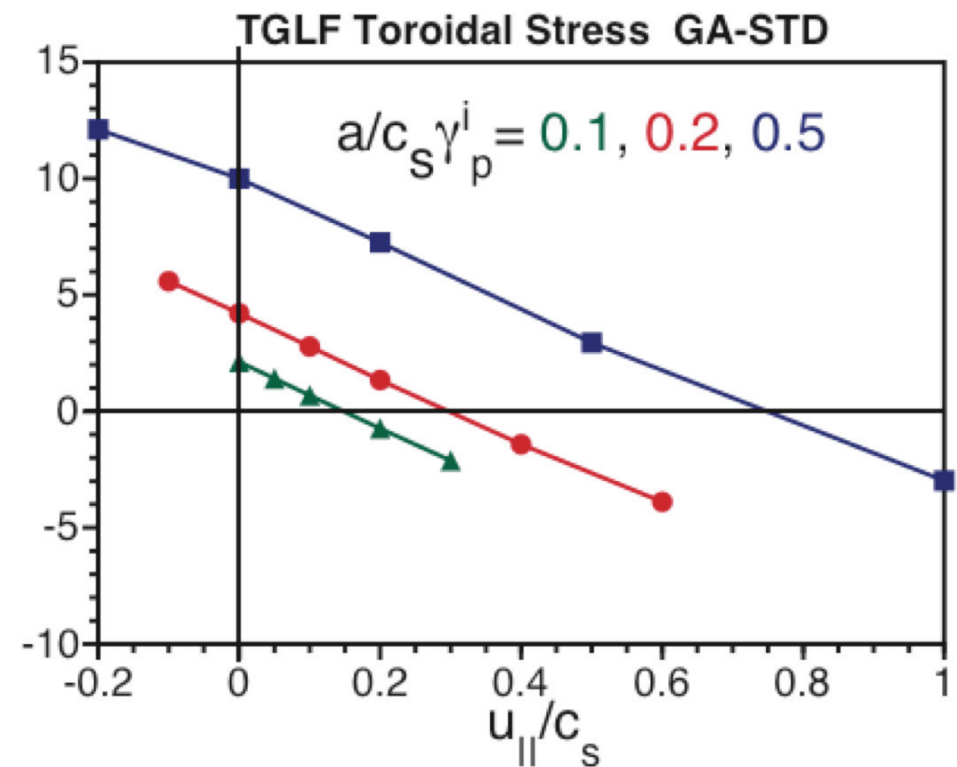


# Parallel Ion Flow Self-amplifies

- The toroidal stress driven by the parallel ion flow term opposes the parallel flow shear drive
- This is more than just inward convection due to the particle flux which is small for this case
- A seed flow at the boundary is amplified towards the center even if there is no external torque

$$\Pi_{\text{tor}} = 0 \quad \text{for} \quad -\frac{du_{\parallel}}{dr} = \frac{2}{3}u_{\parallel}$$

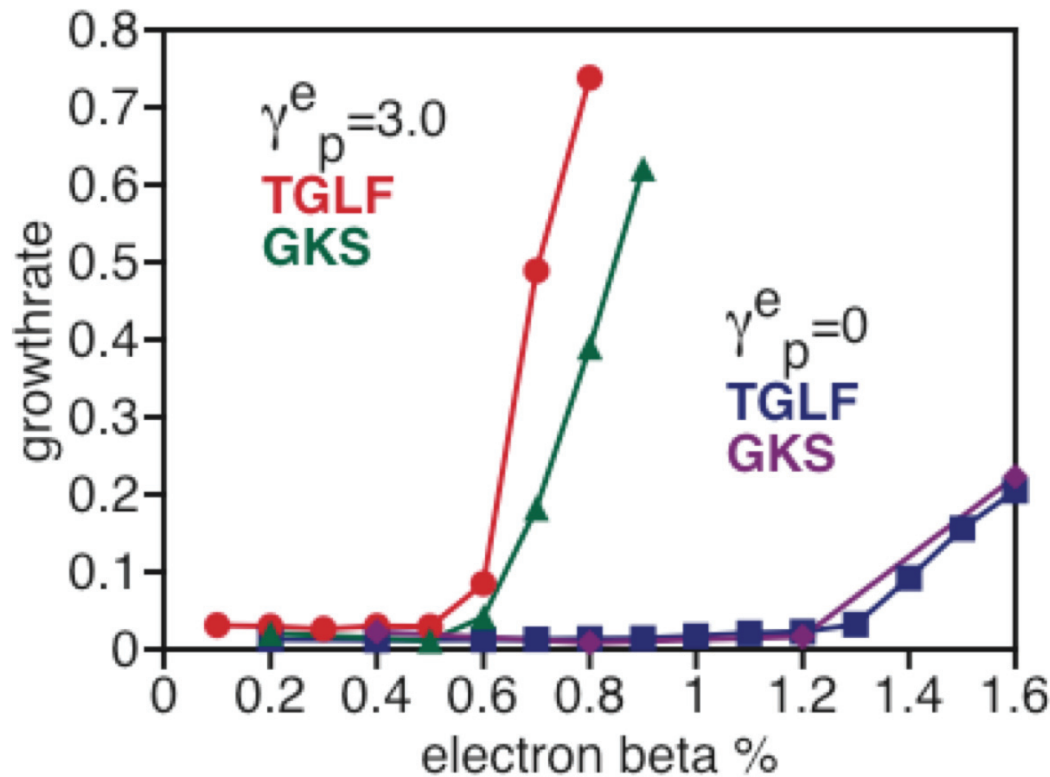
$$\text{gives } u_{\parallel}(r) = u_{\parallel}(a)\text{Exp}\left[-\frac{2}{3a}(r - a)\right], \quad u_{\parallel}(0) = 1.94u_{\parallel}(a)$$



# Parallel Current Drift Shear Lowers the Kinetic Ballooning Mode Threshold

- A parallel velocity shear that is the same for ions and electrons has no effect on the kinetic ballooning mode threshold

GA-STD  $a/LT=2, a/Ln=2/3, ky=0.05$



$$u_{\text{ell}} = u_{\text{ill}} - \frac{J_{\parallel}}{en_e}$$

$$\gamma_p^e = -\frac{du_{\text{ell}}}{dr}$$

# Summary of Momentum Transport Discoveries

- **Interesting properties of gyro-kinetic momentum transport have been discovered by theoretical exploration with TGLF**
  - Shear in the ExB velocity Doppler shift induces a radial wavenumber that breaks the poloidal mode parity. This can be modeled with a “generalized quench rule”
  - Diamagnetic flow shear can cause momentum transport.
  - The momentum transport depends upon the ion grad-B drift direction in single null divertor geometry
  - Parallel flow shear can drive a negative energy flux in the deep core giving a total effective thermal diffusivity below neoclassical.
  - Parallel flow self-amplifies from a boundary seed
  - Parallel current drift gradients reduce the kinetic ballooning mode threshold
- **Once verification of the momentum transport physics in TGLF has been completed with GYRO a campaign to validate momentum transport with experiments will begin**

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