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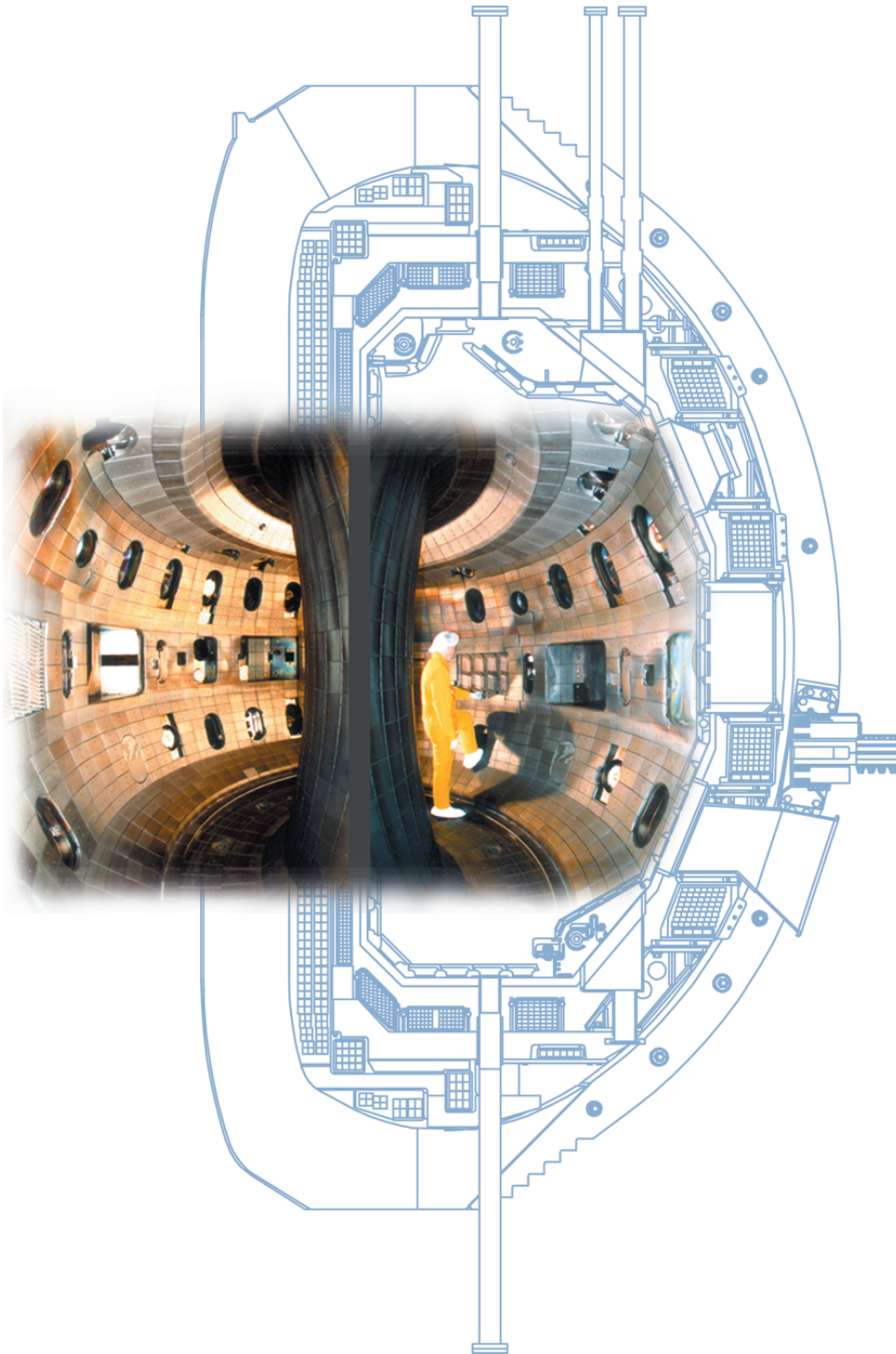
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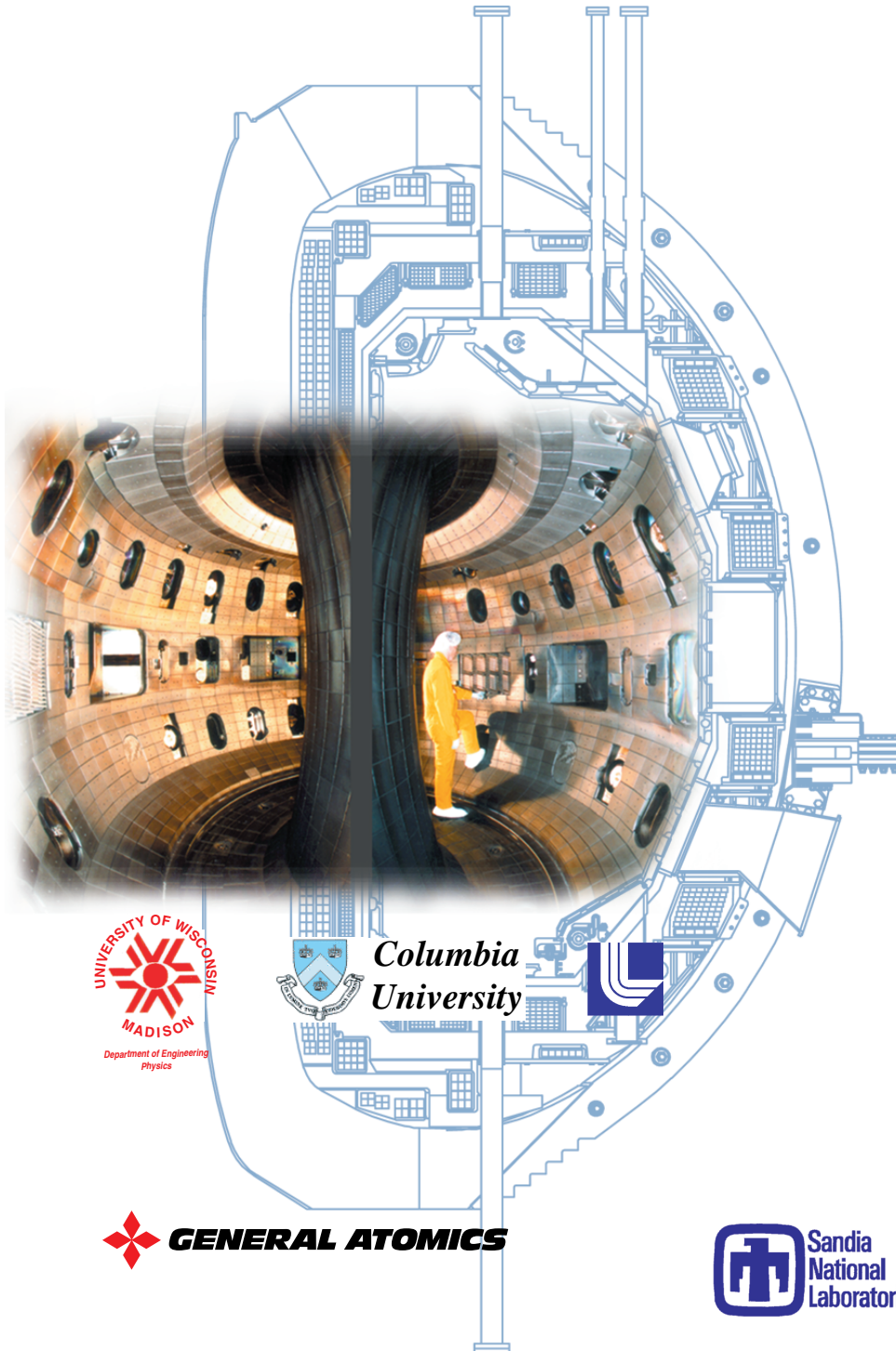
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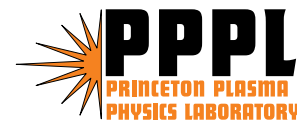
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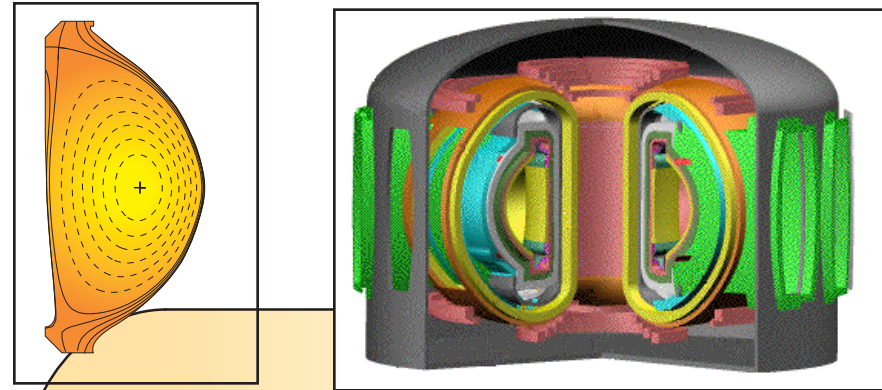
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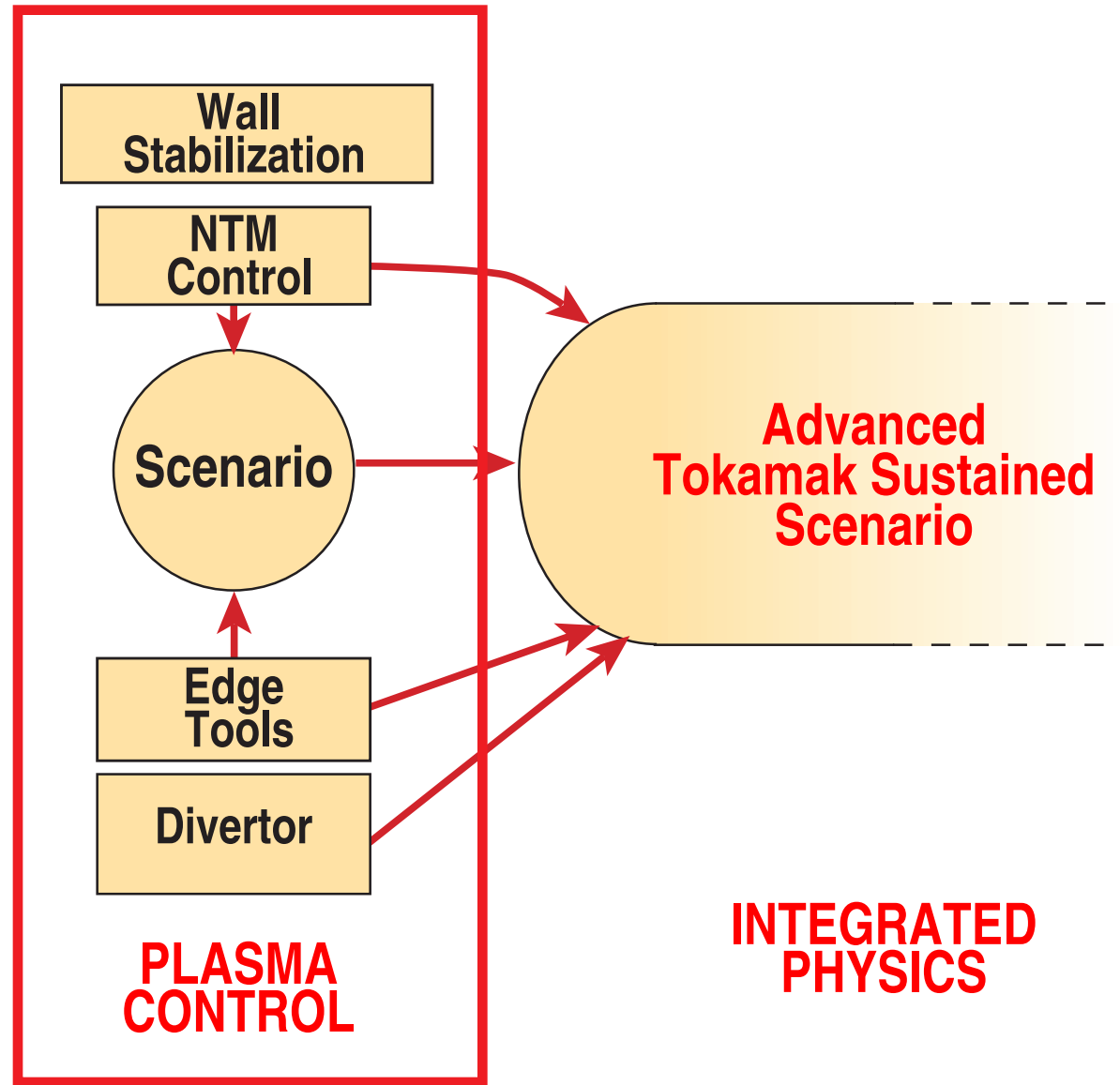
Our goal is a sustained Advanced Tokamak



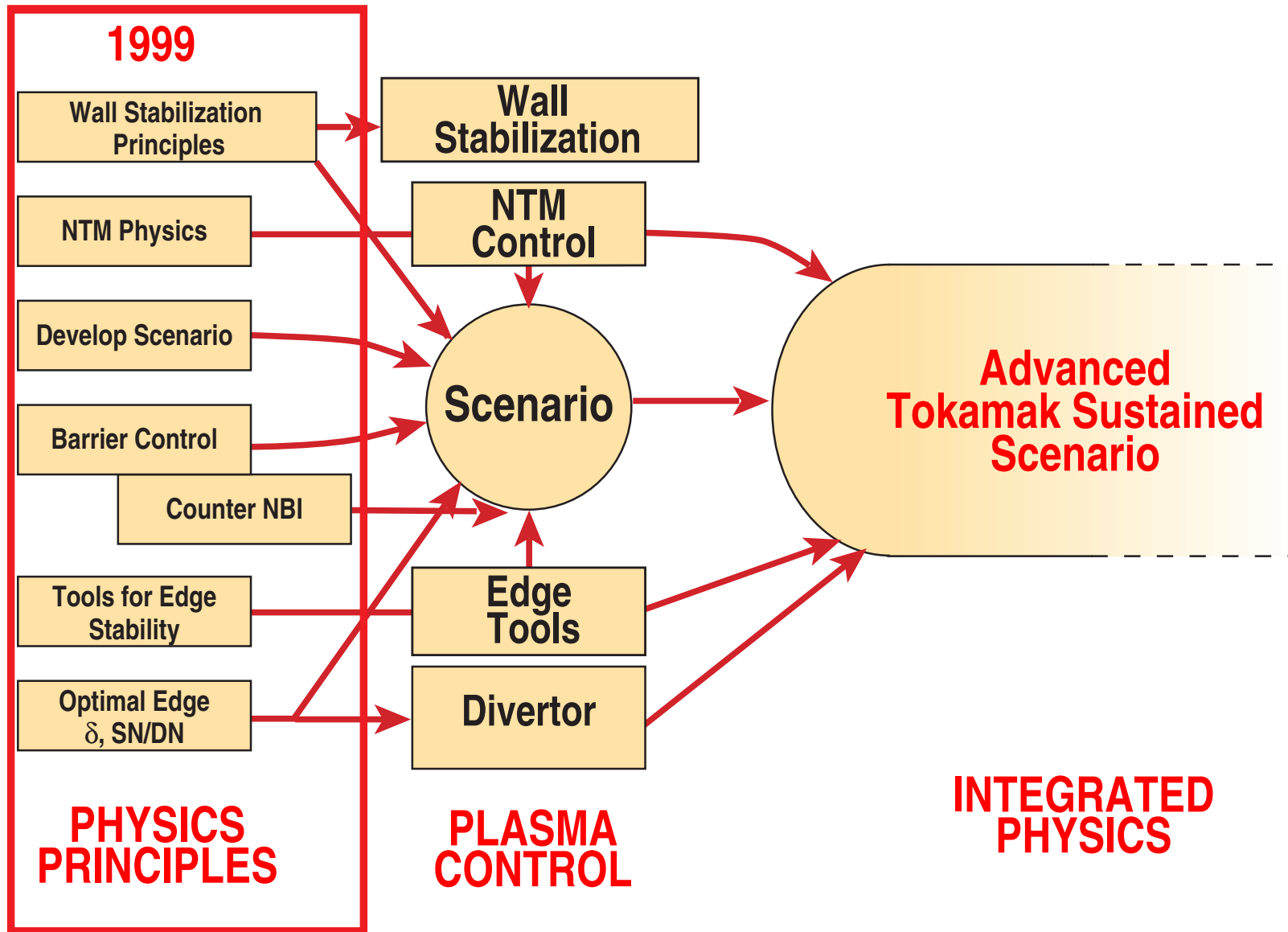
**Advanced
Tokamak Sustained
Scenario**

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Plasma control techniques are necessary



We focused on physics principles in the 1999 Campaign



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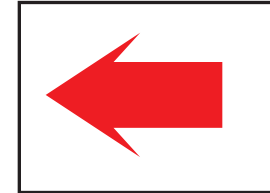
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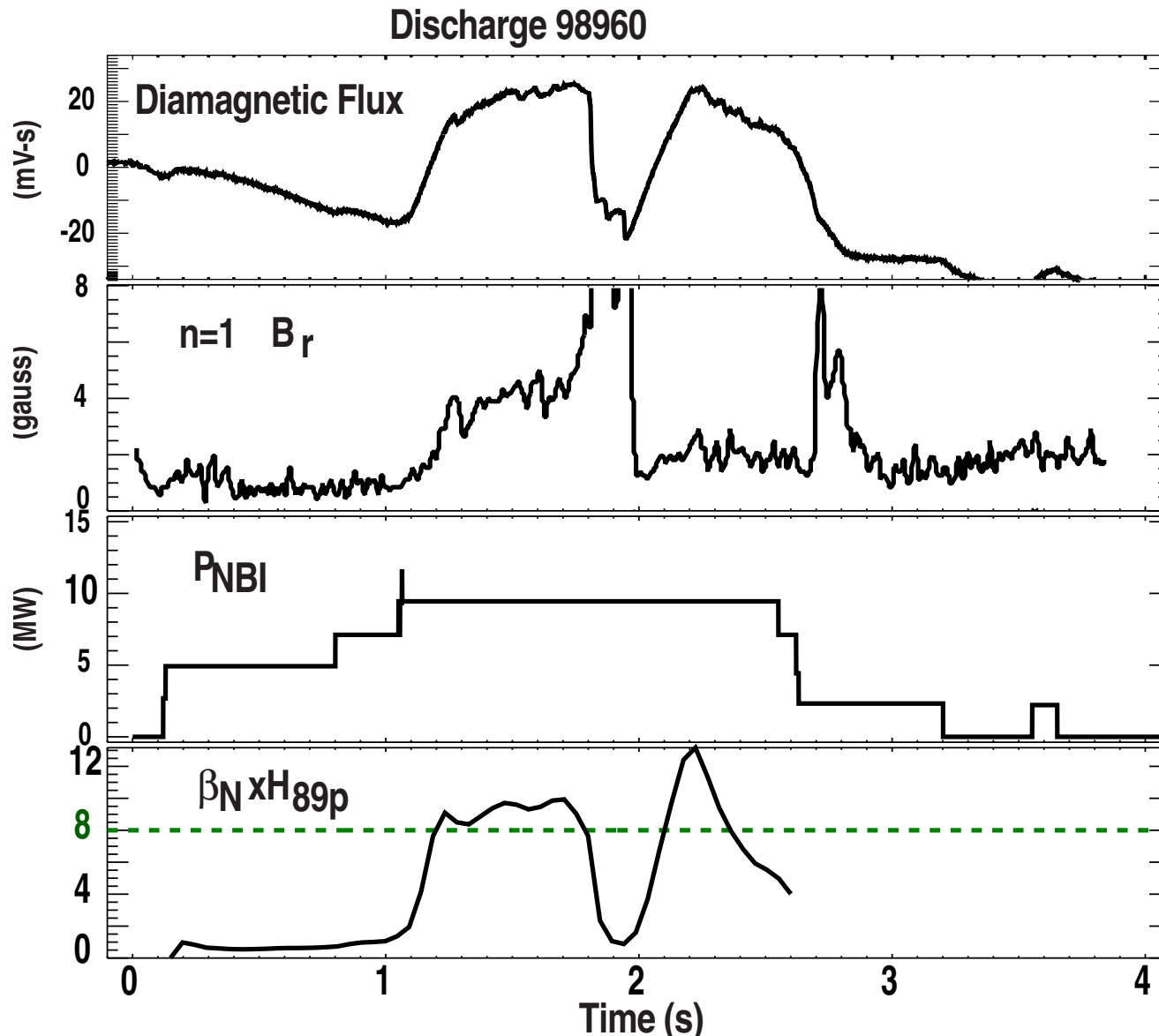
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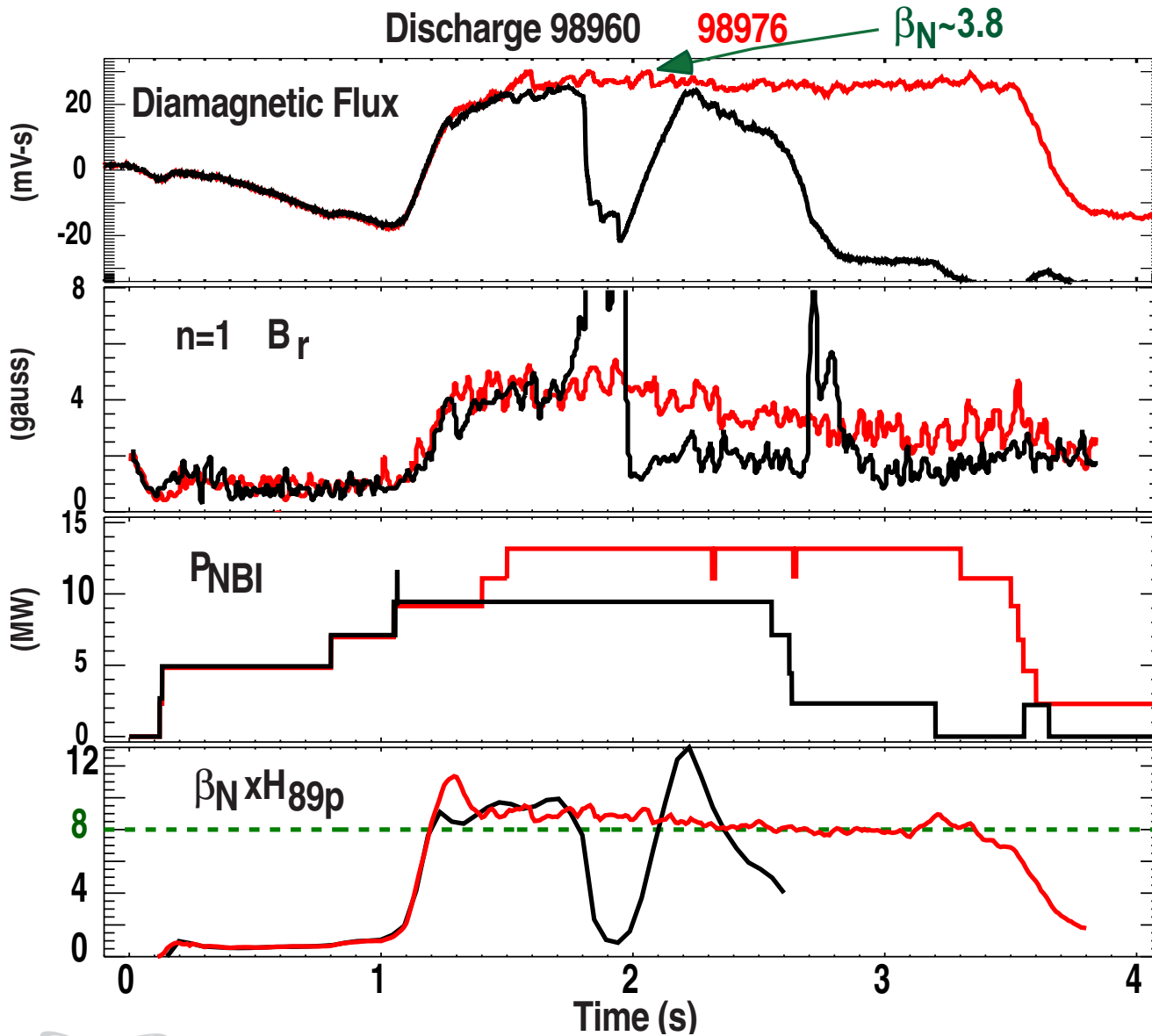
AT Discharge Affected by Resistive Wall Mode



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Discharge tuning results in long duration AT Mode



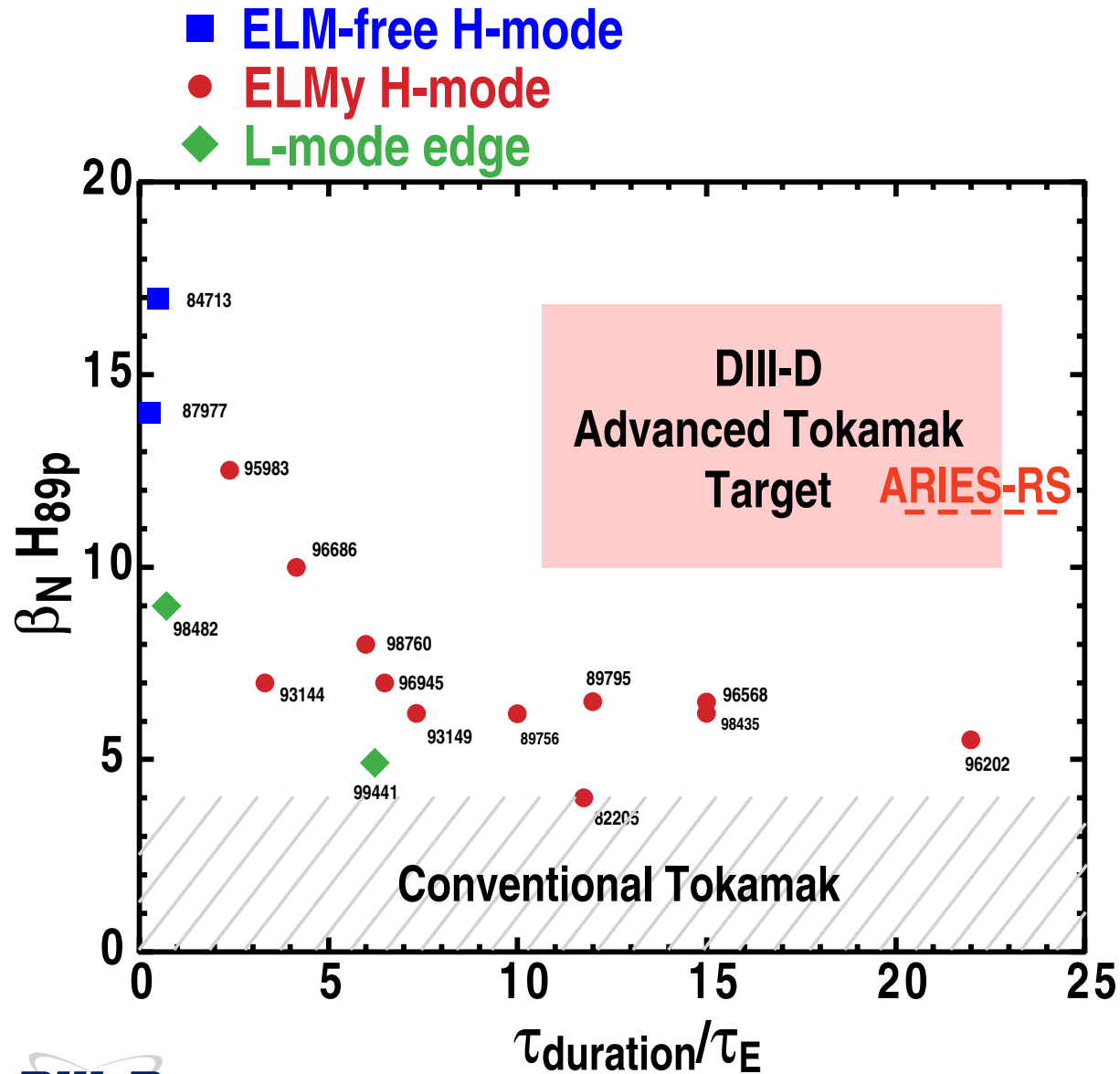
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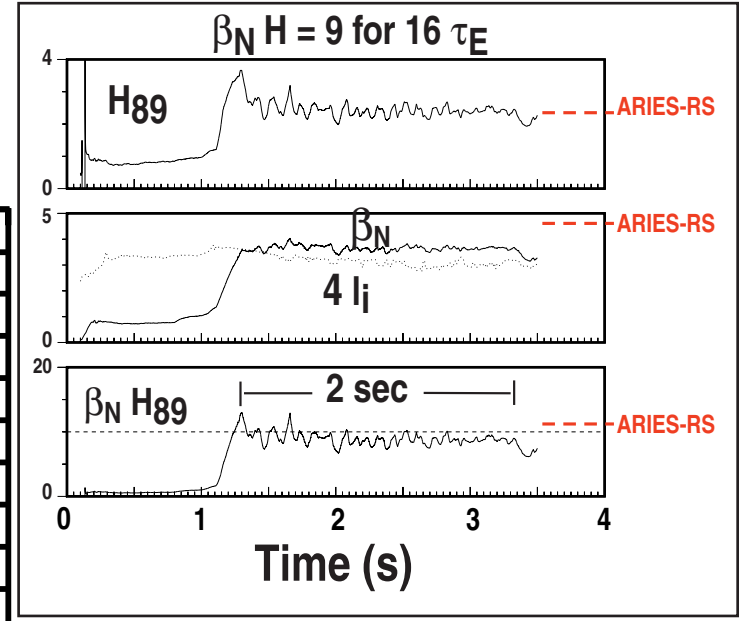
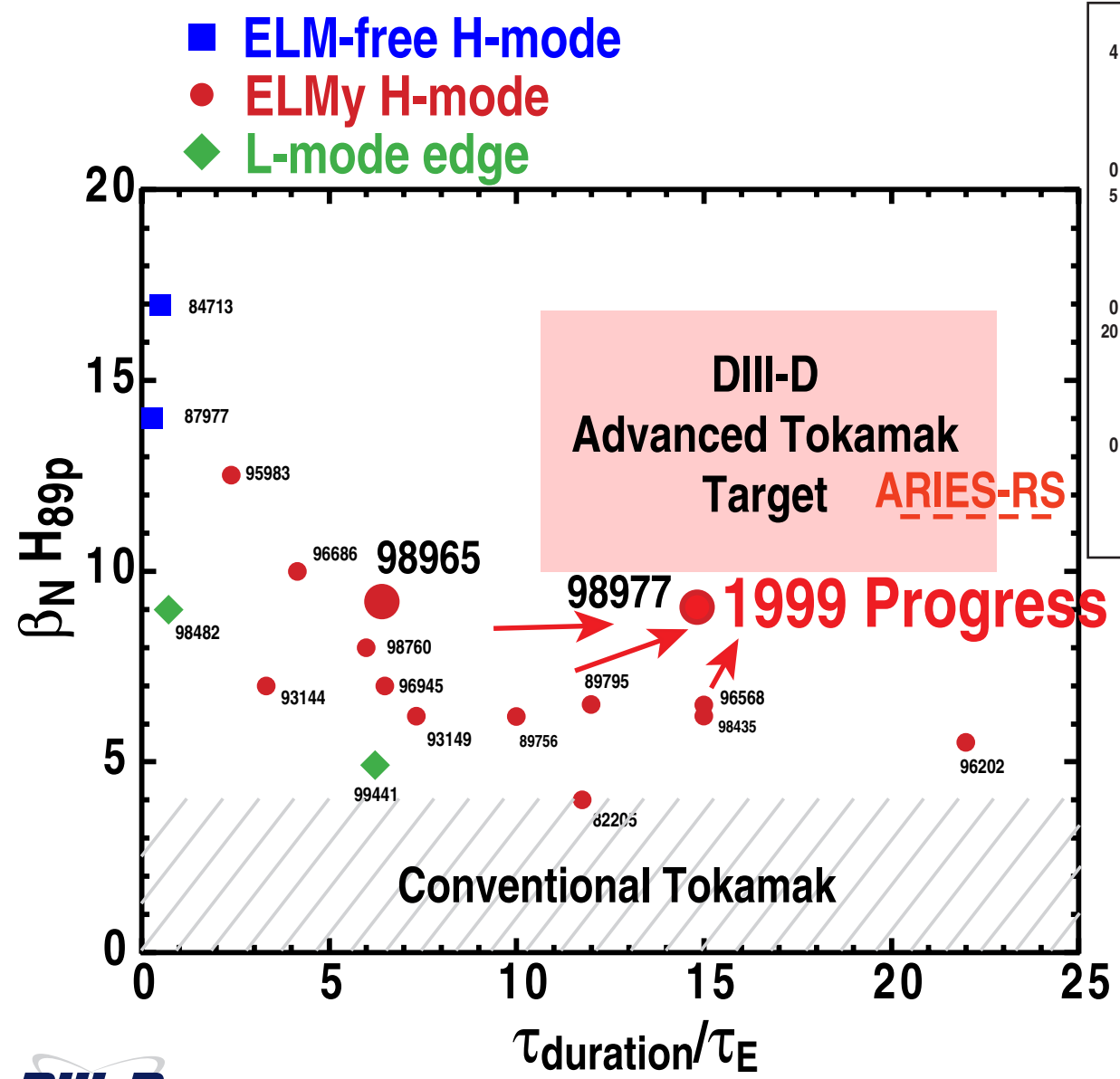
- Higher NBI power improves stability and duration

- 75 % current non-inductive
>50% bootstrap

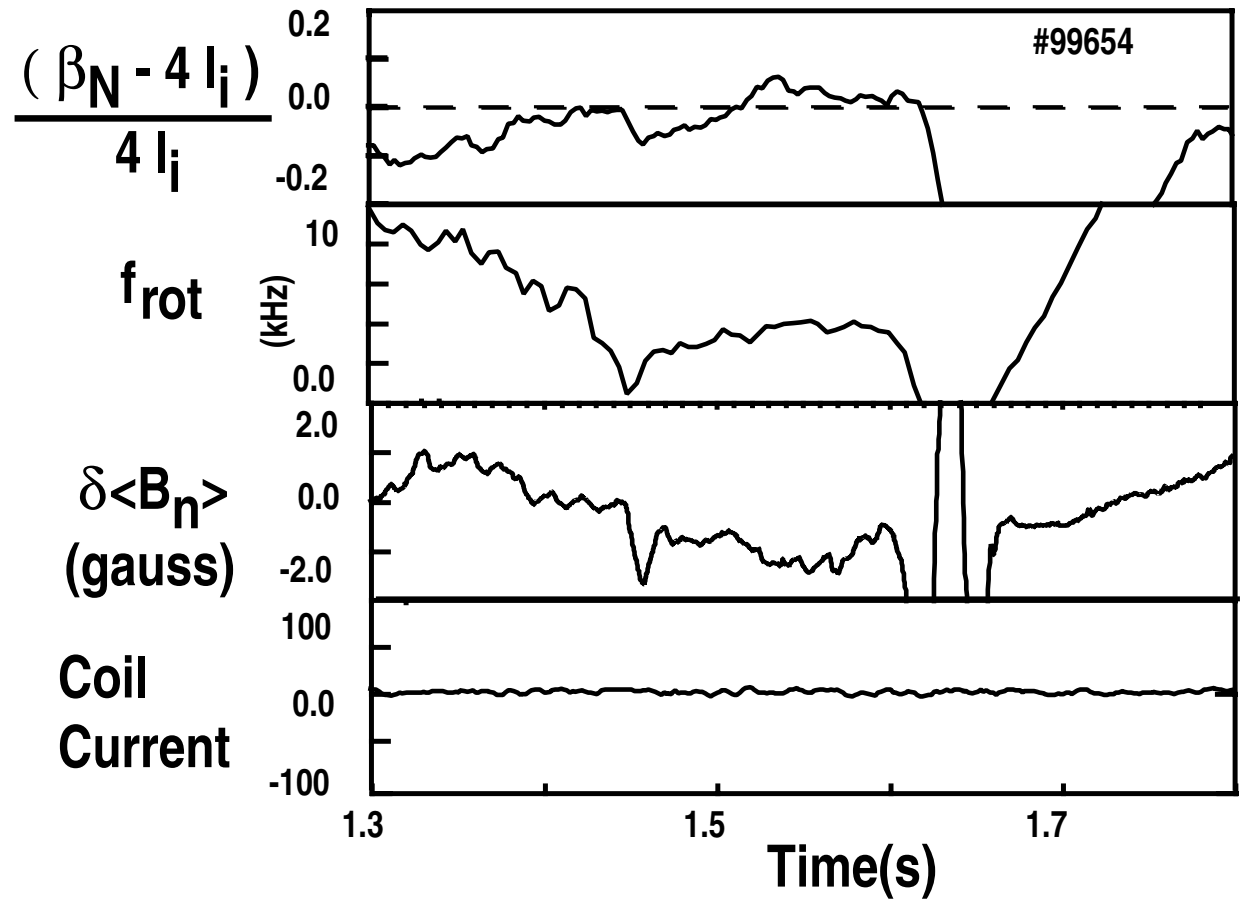
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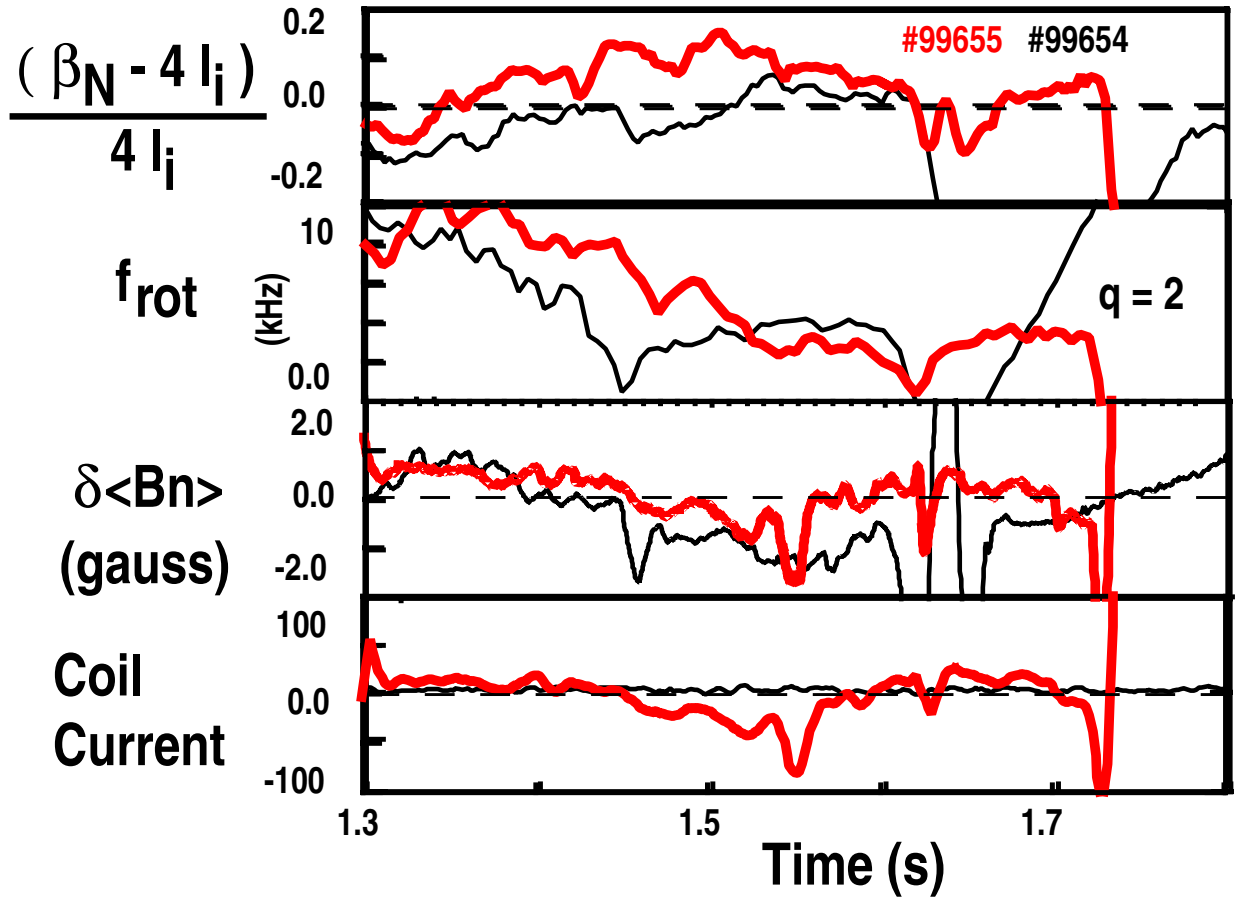
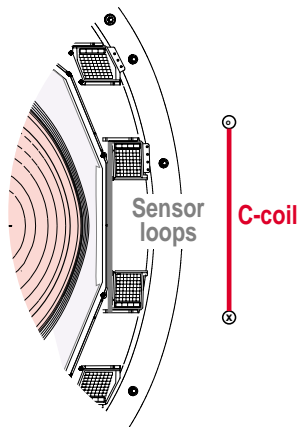
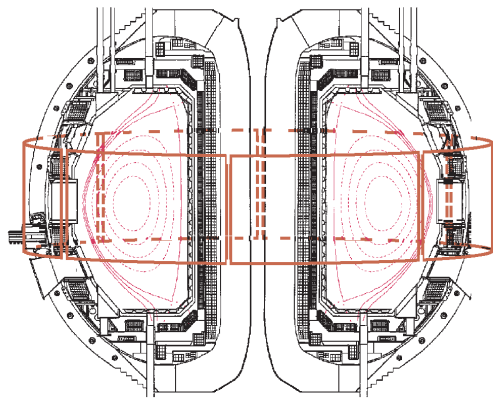
AT Performance vs. Duration *Increased in 1999*



Preliminary RWM Feedback Experiments Show



Preliminary RWM Feedback Experiments Show Extended Duration



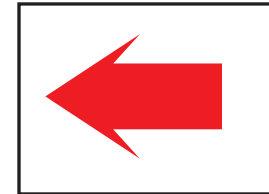
Research in Neoclassical Tearing Modes

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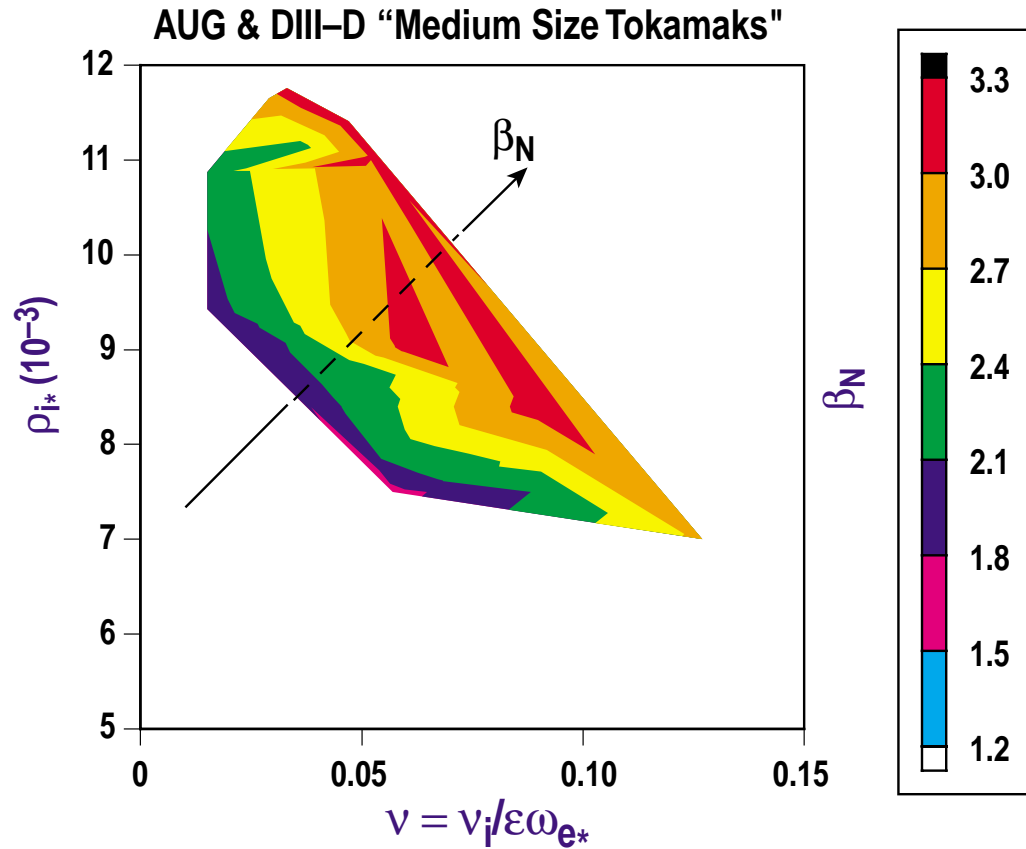
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NTM Critical β_N power law scaling

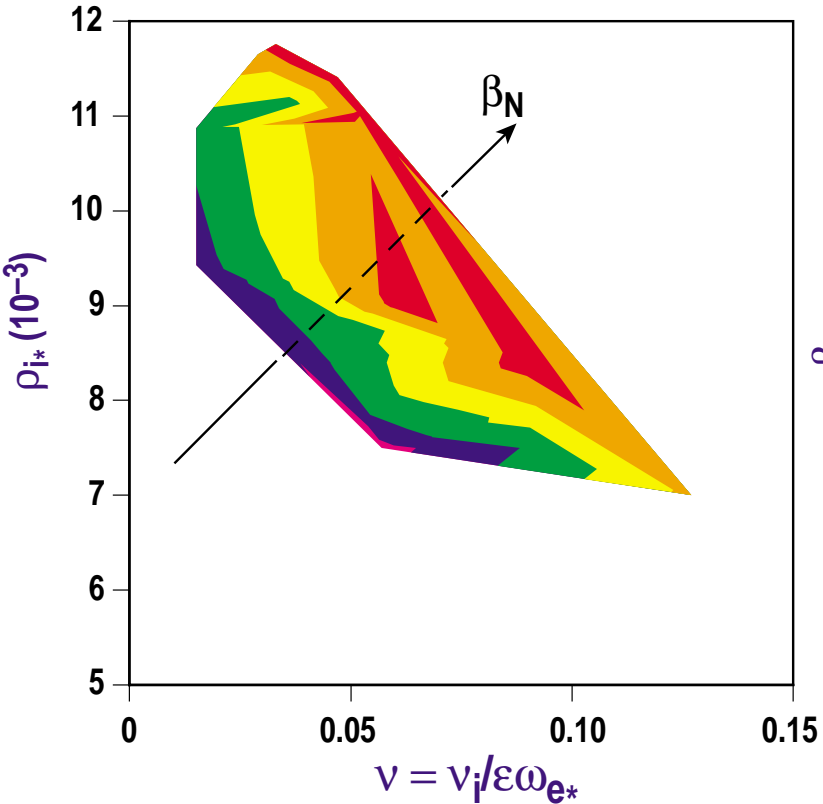
$$\beta_{NC} \propto \rho_{i*}^x (v_i/\epsilon\omega_{e*})^y$$



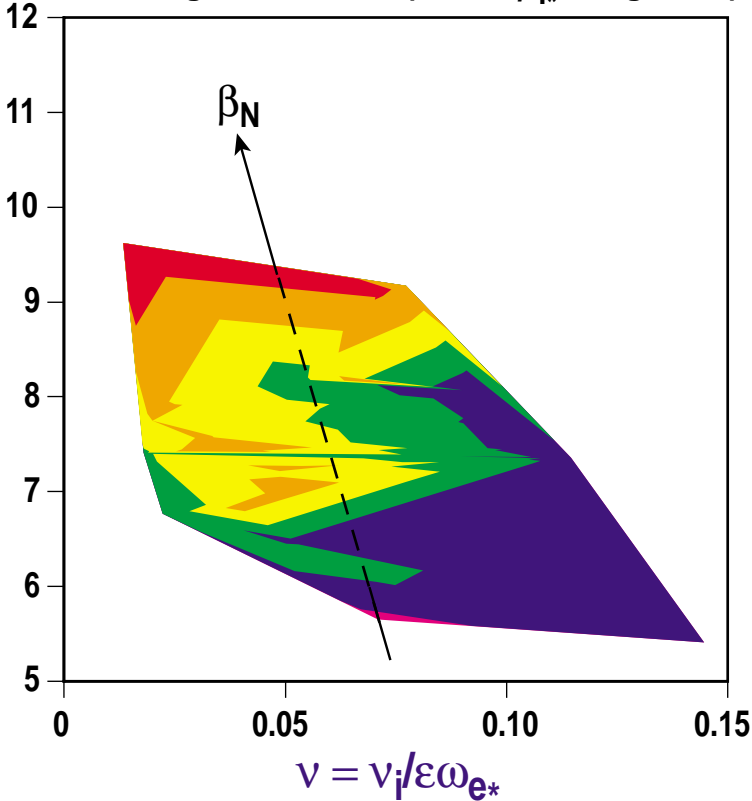
NTM Critical β_N power law scaling **is complicated!**

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AUG & DIII-D “Medium Size Tokamaks”



JET “Large Tokamak” (lower ρ_{i*} – higher S)



New tools for ITB control, including counter NBI

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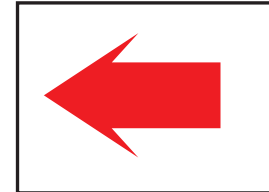
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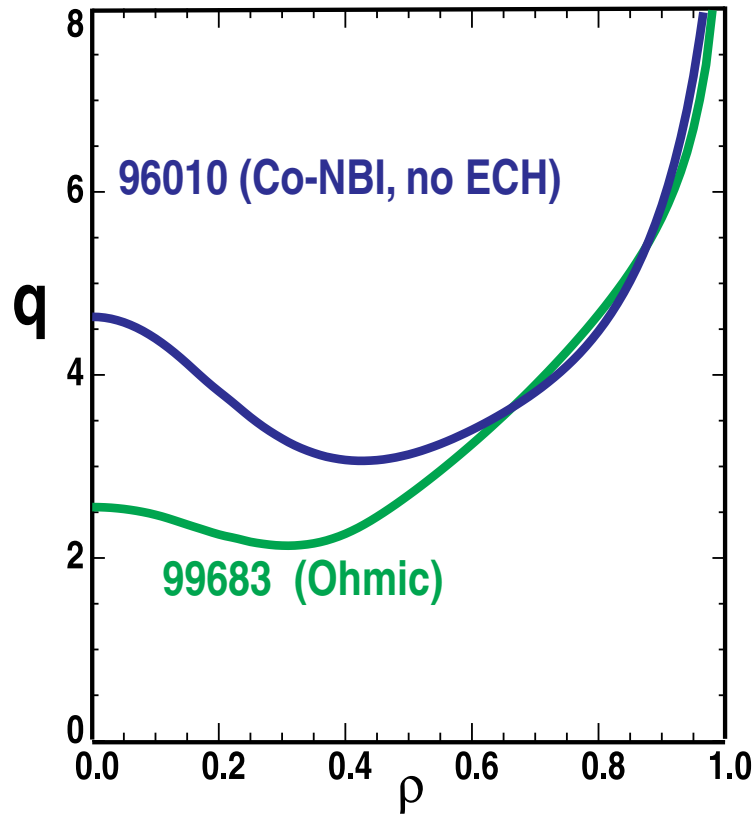
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Tools for edge stability



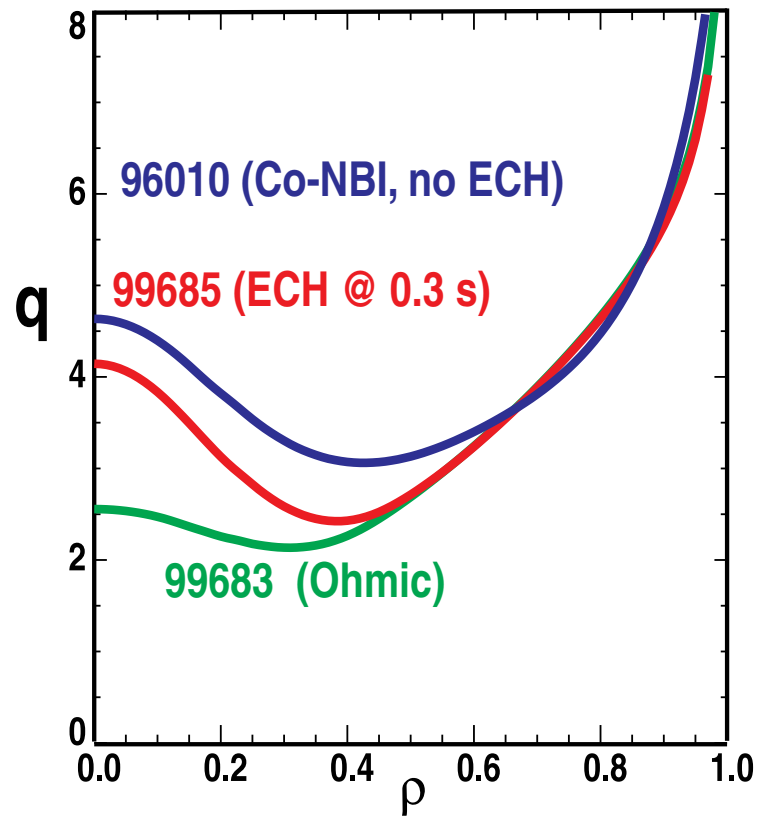
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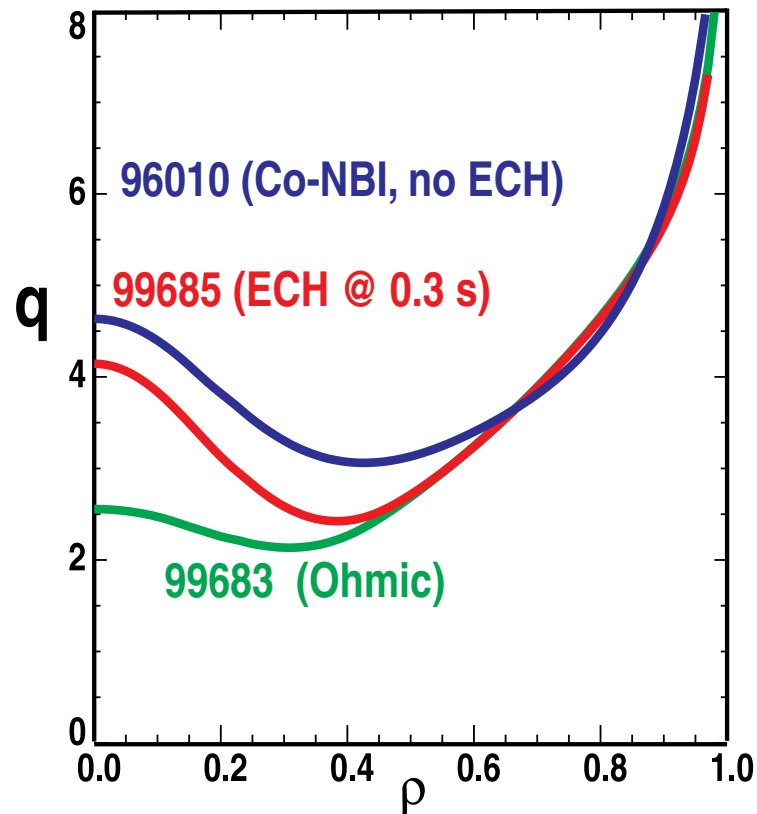
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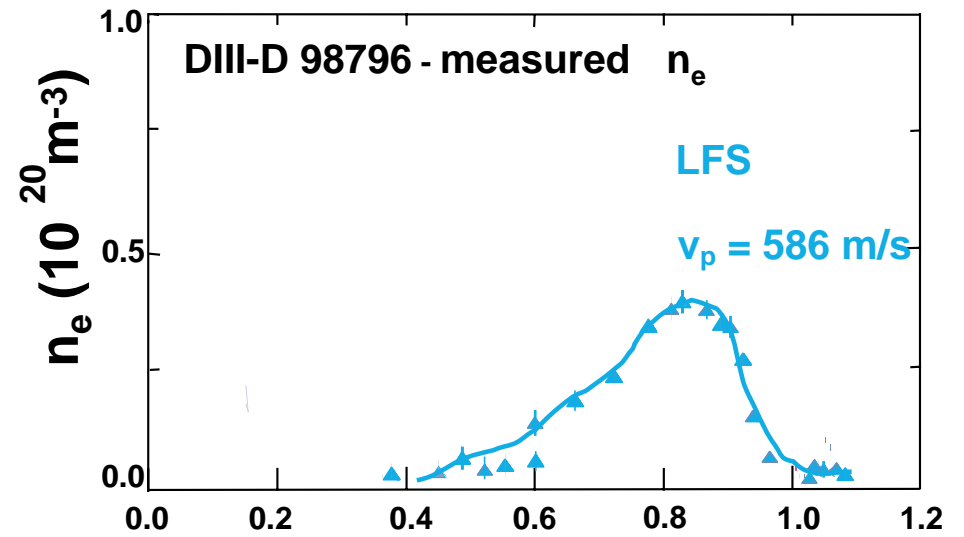
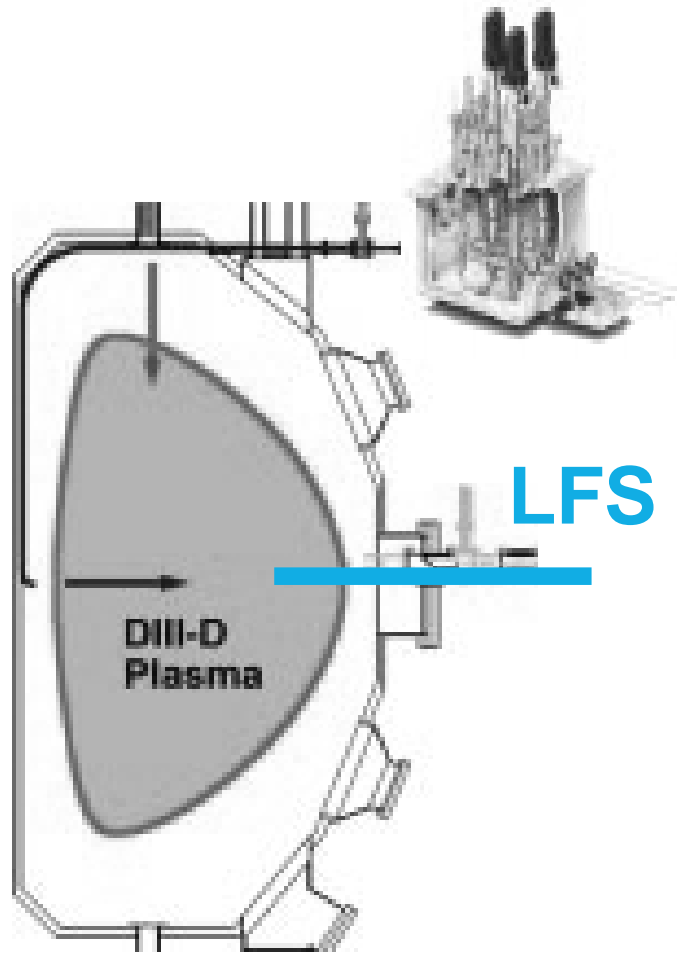


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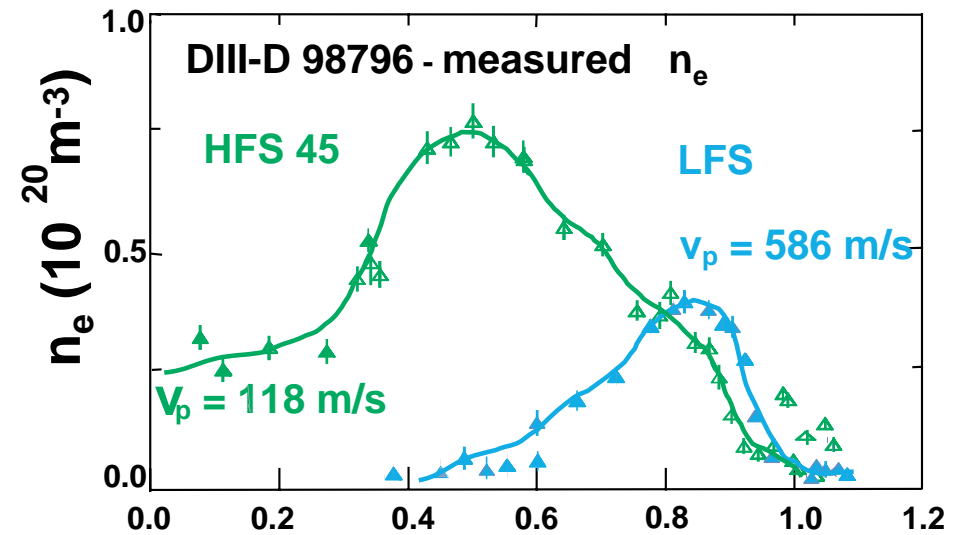
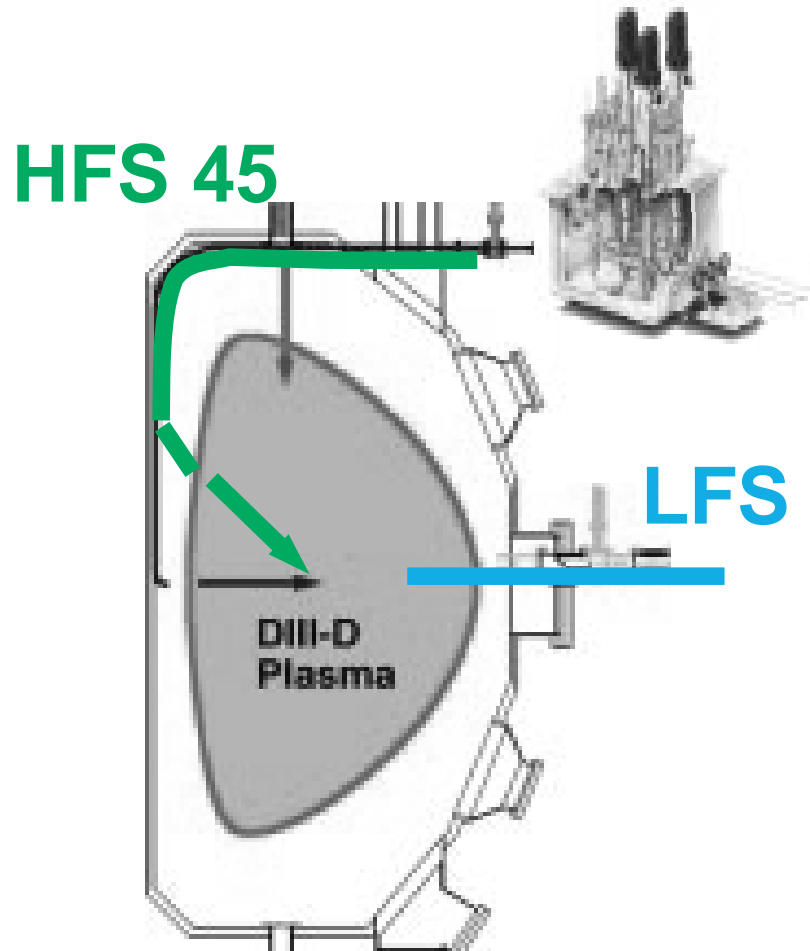
Differences Compared to CO-ITB:

- ITB formed, but required more NBI power
- Broader barriers, with less steep gradients
- Sustainment work in 2000

Tools for ITB control: Flexible Pellet

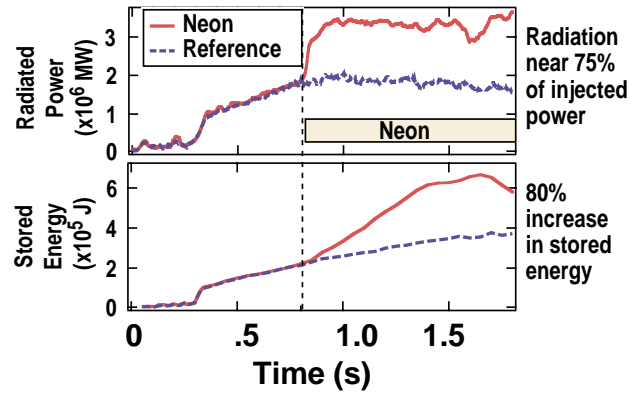


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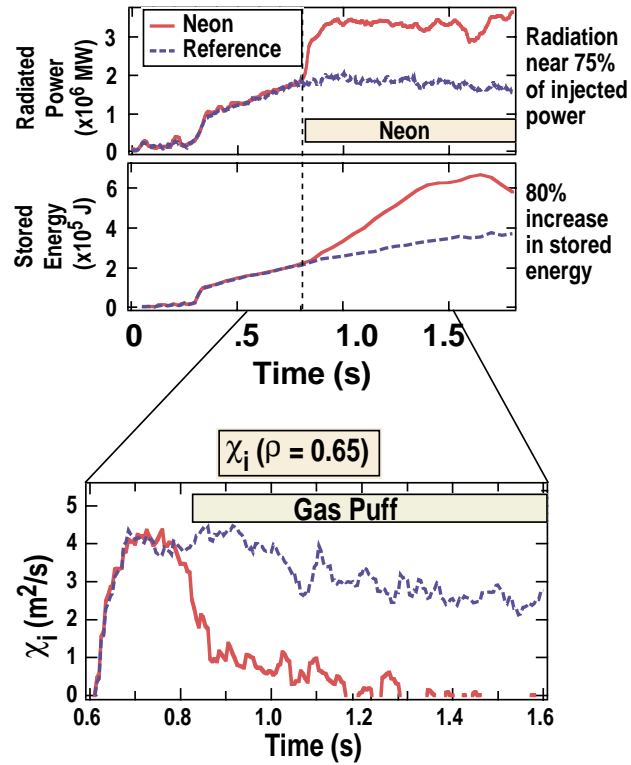
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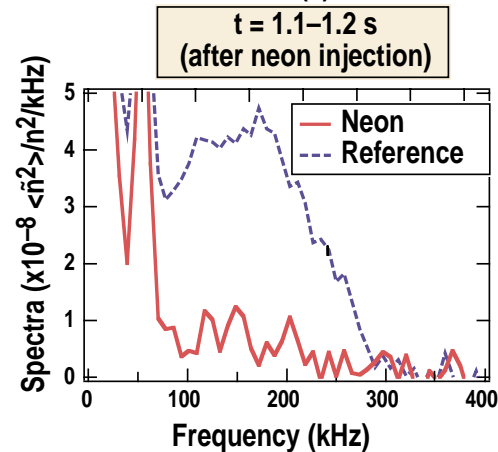
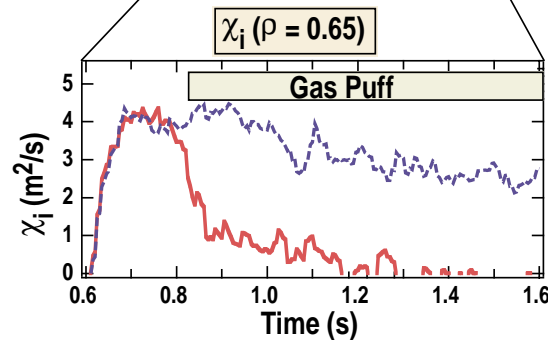
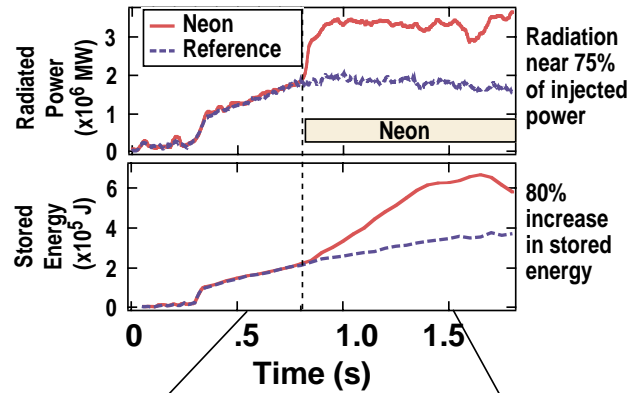


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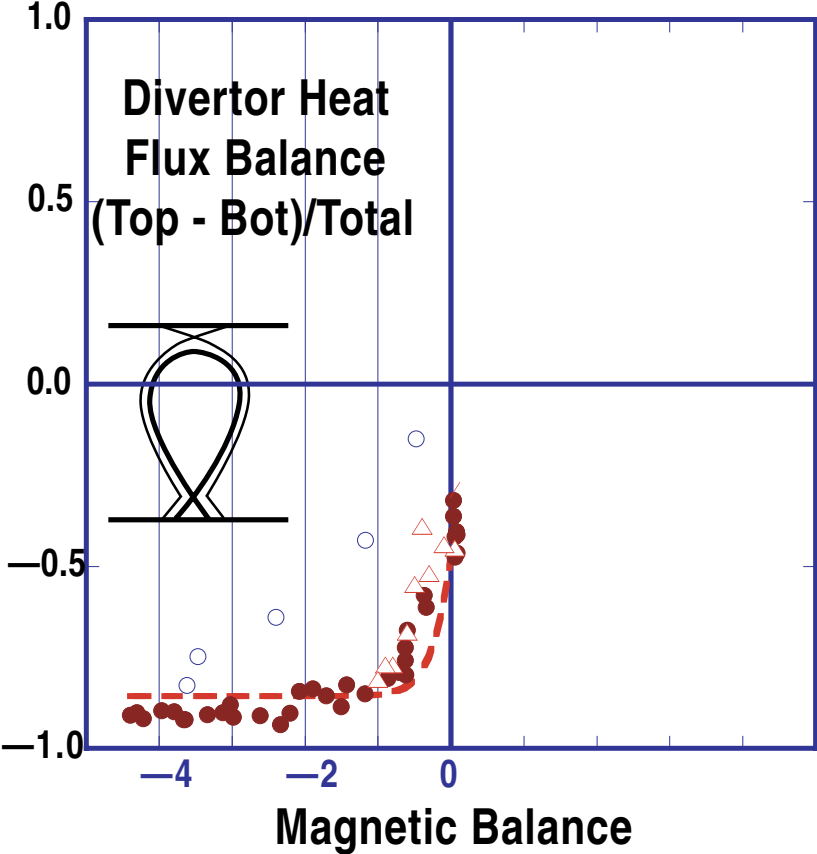
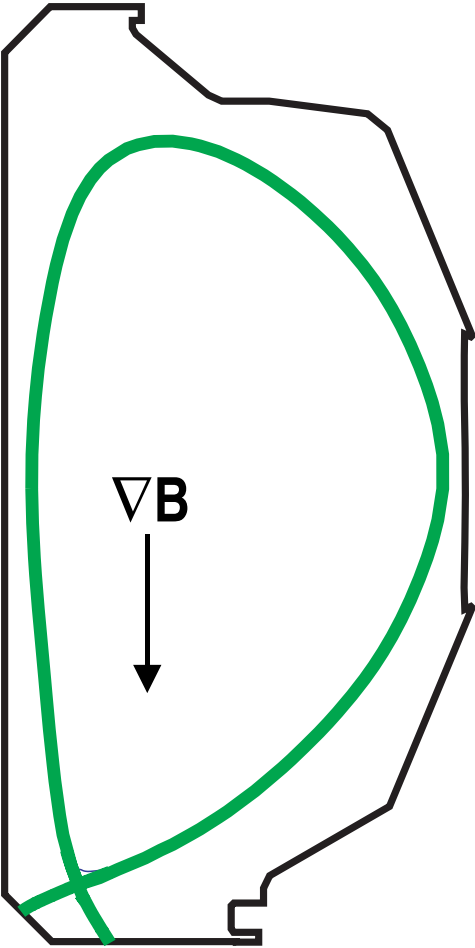
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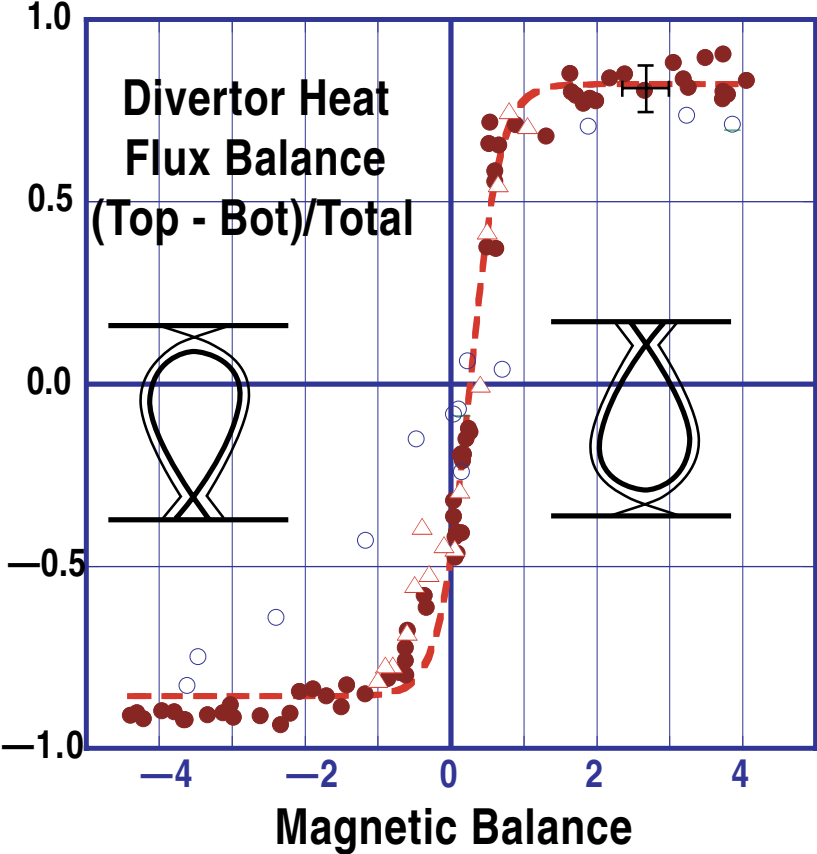
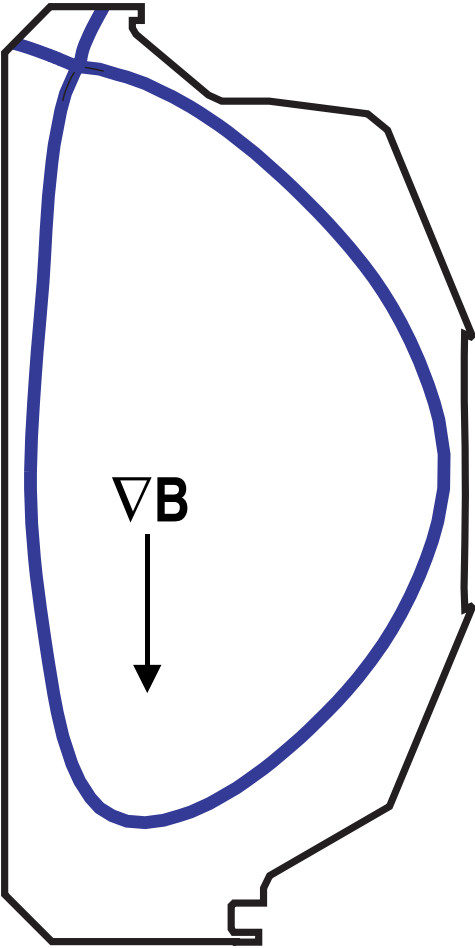
Optimal plasma shape, divertor



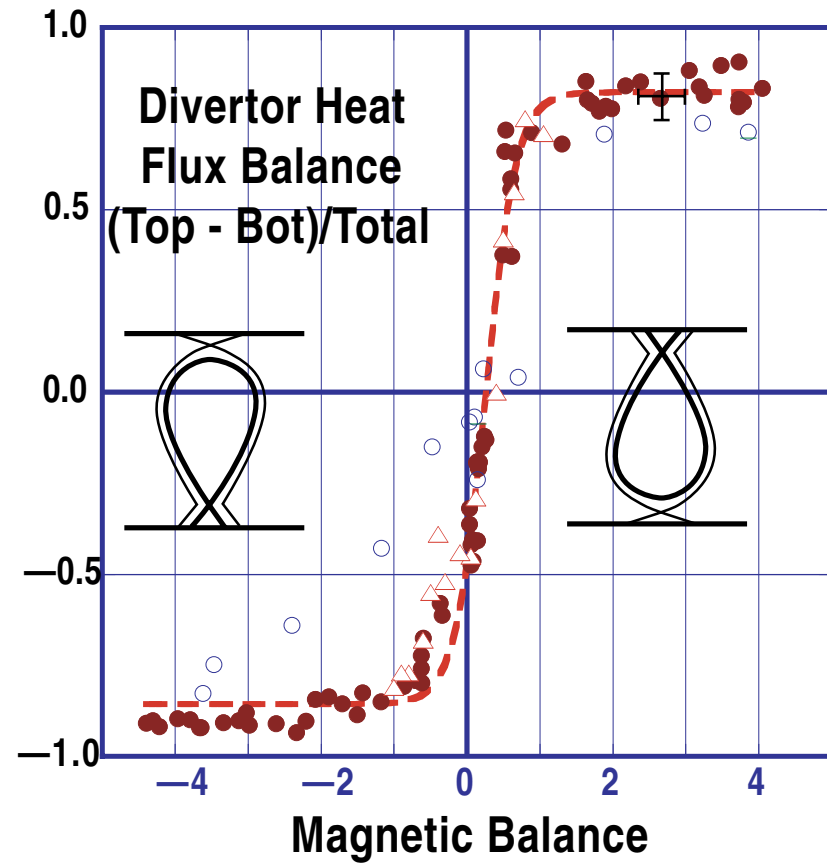
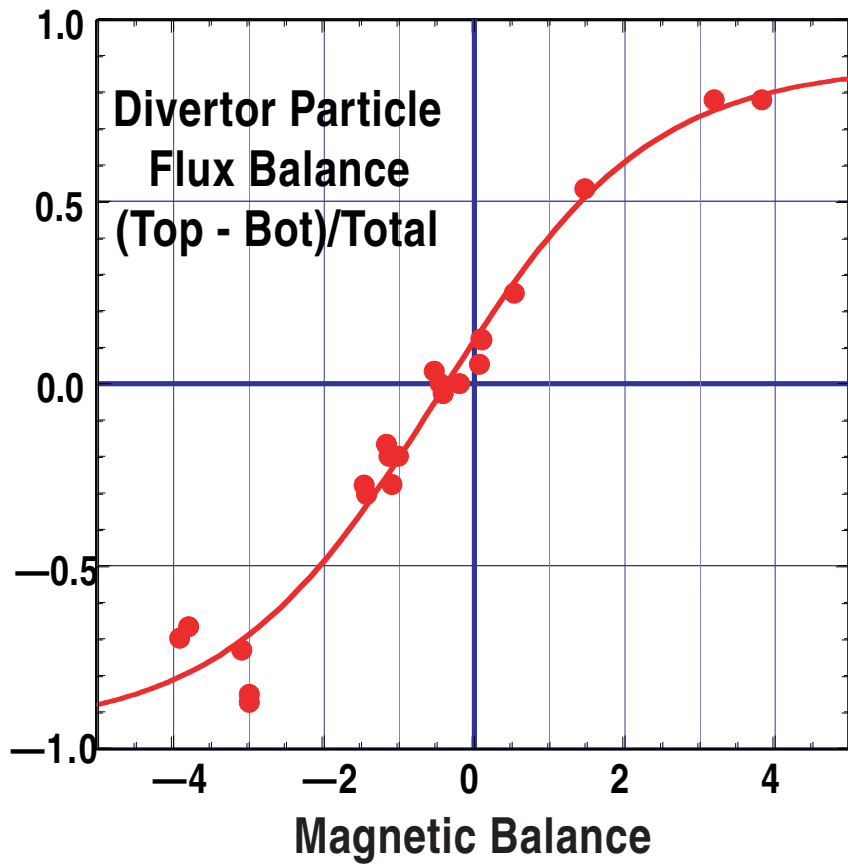
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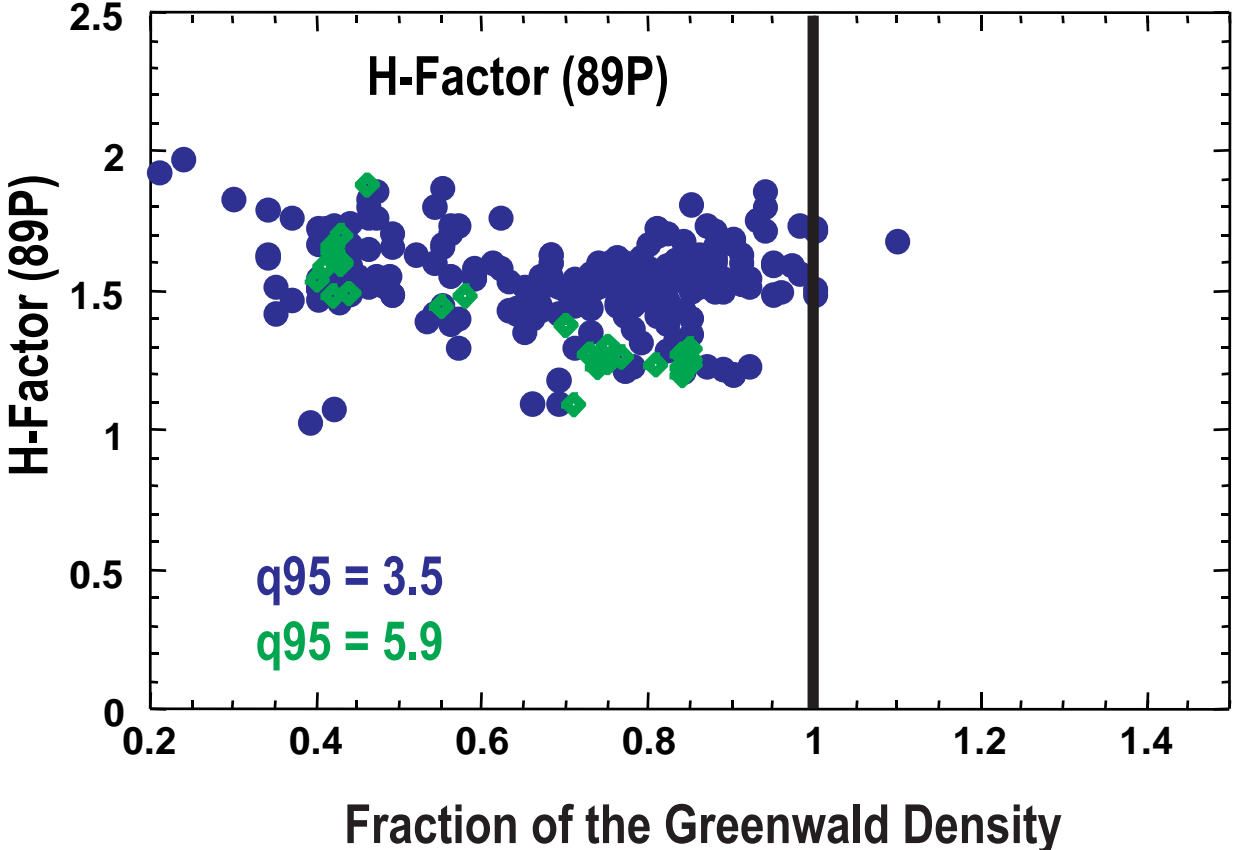


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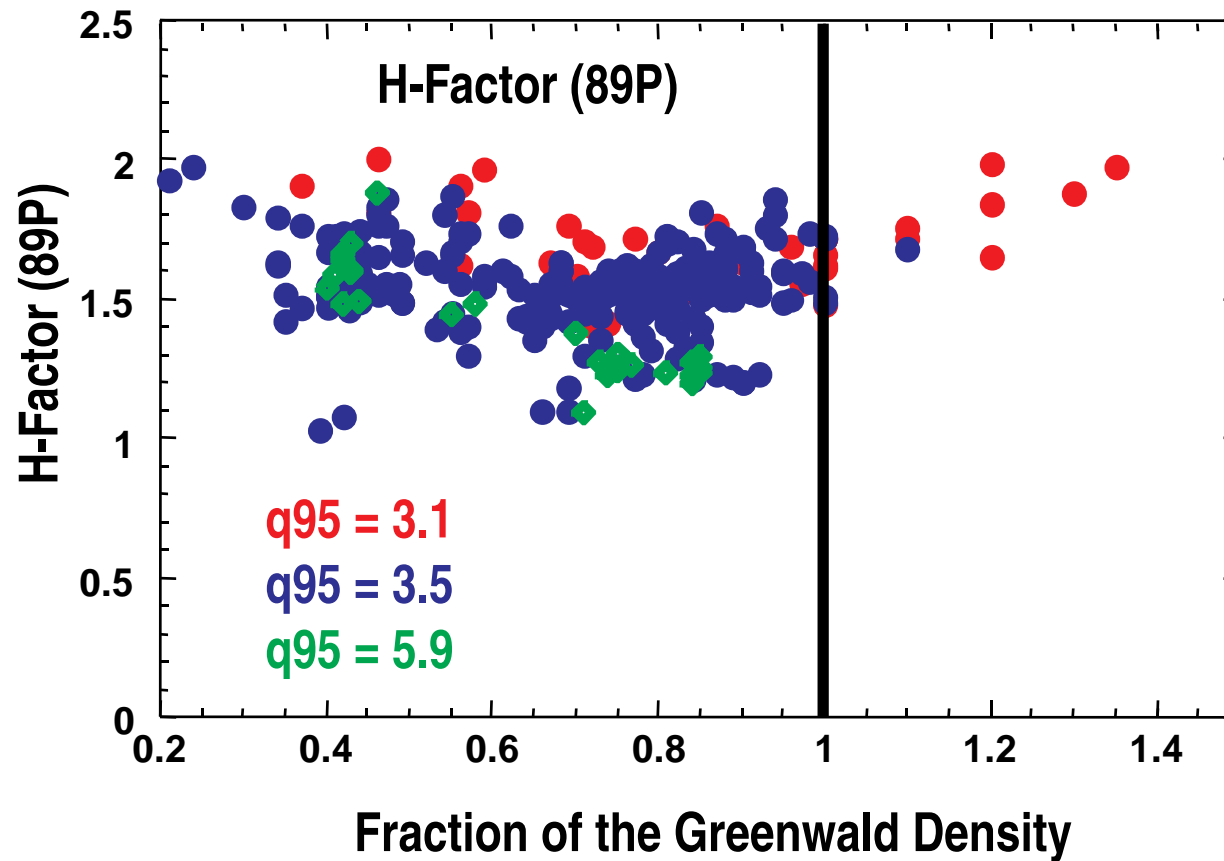
Experiments in the “Topical Science Areas” -- Pedestal Physics

- Confinement and Transport, Heating & Current Drive, Stability, Divertor



Operation above the Greenwald Density

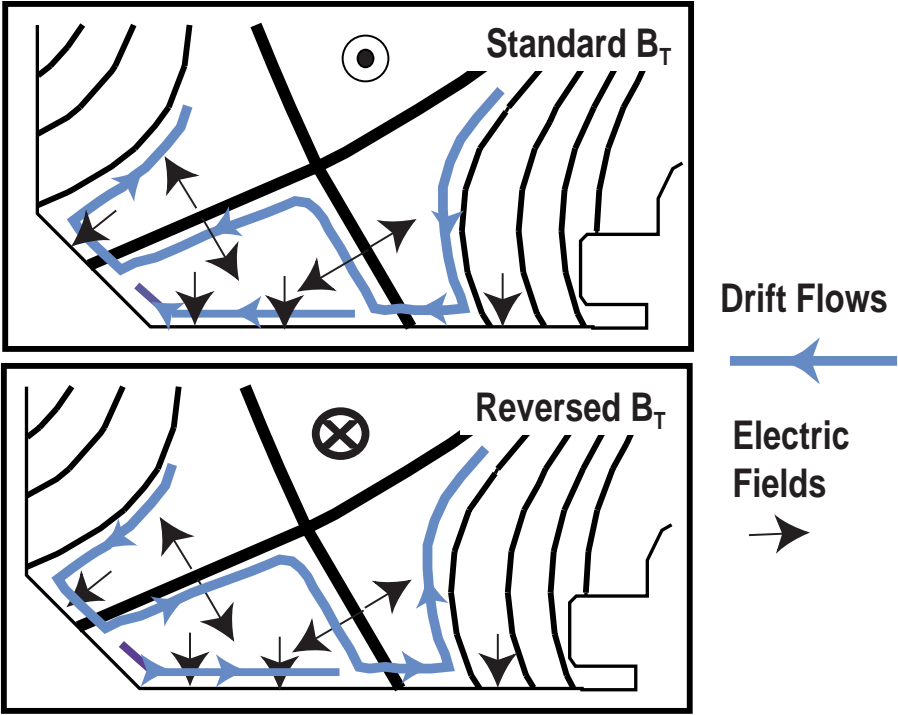
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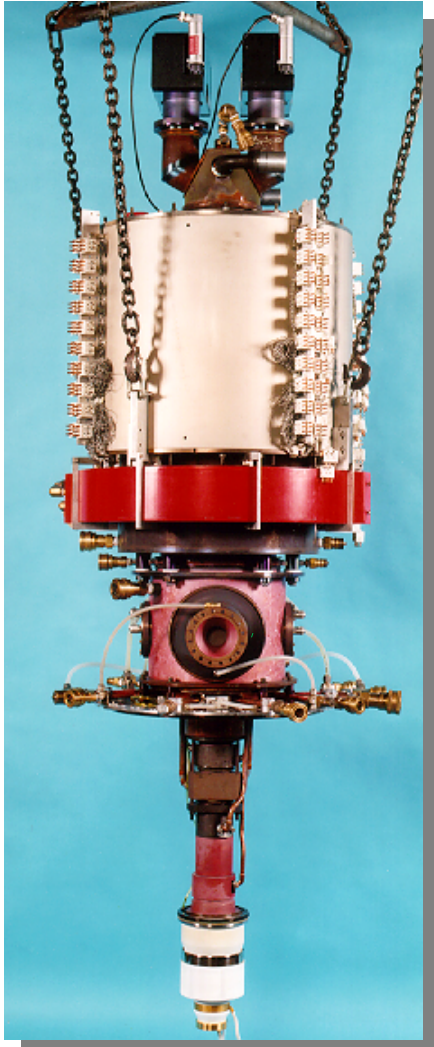
Drifts near the x-point are important for confinement

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- Flows
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- UEDGE Model w/ Flows

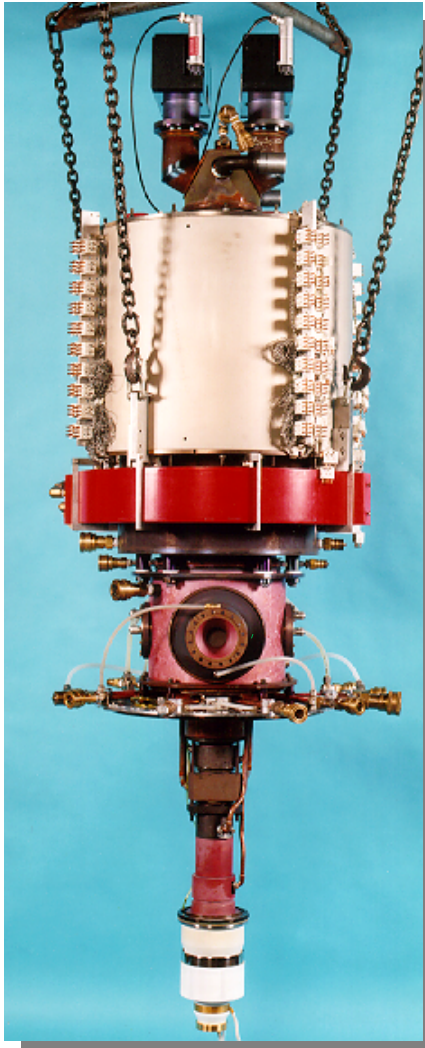


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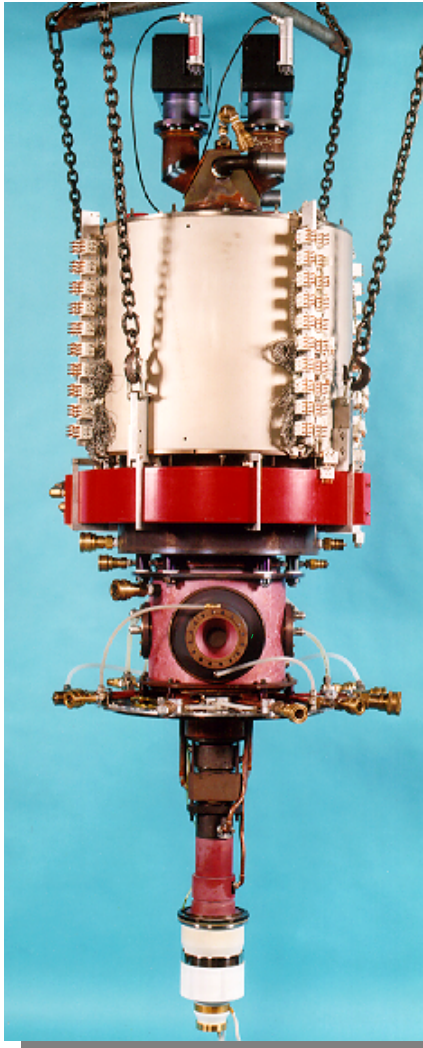
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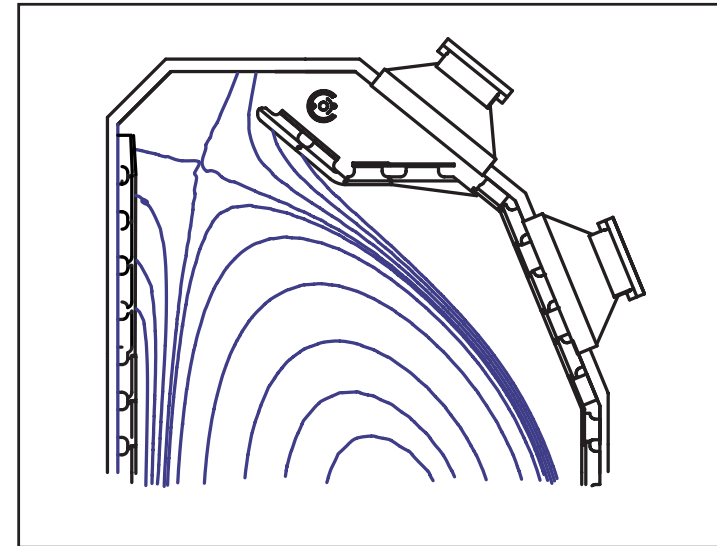


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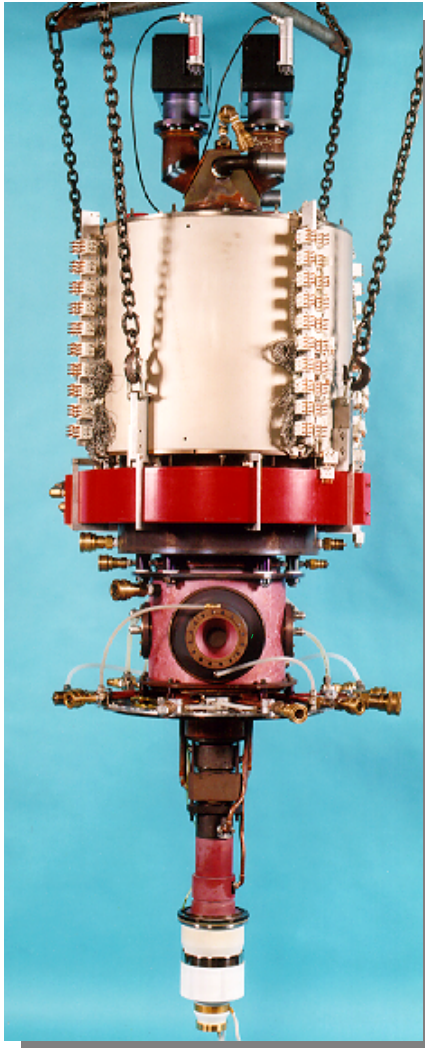
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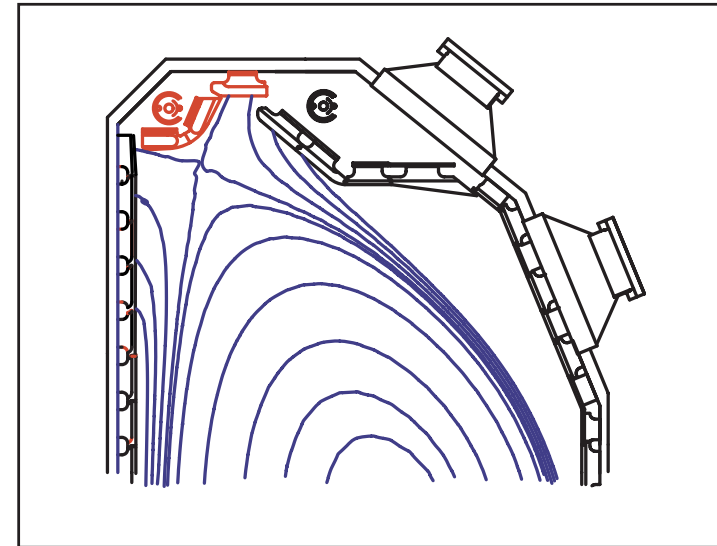
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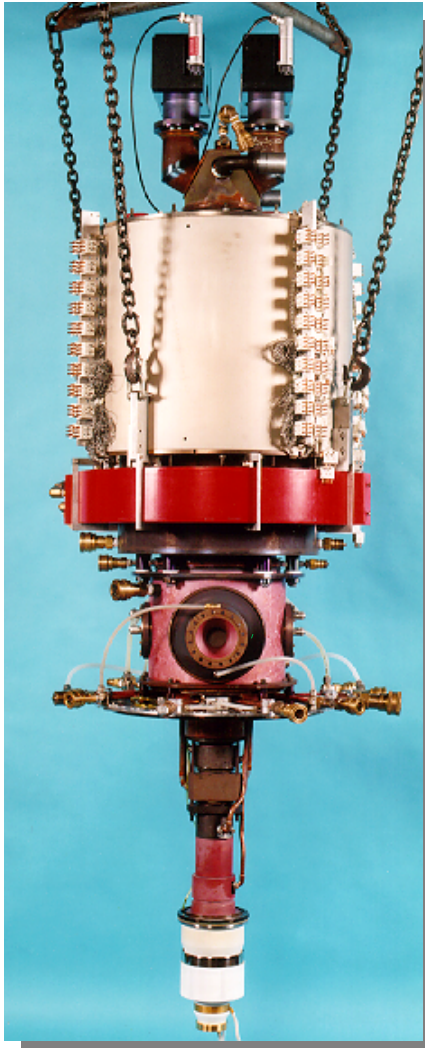


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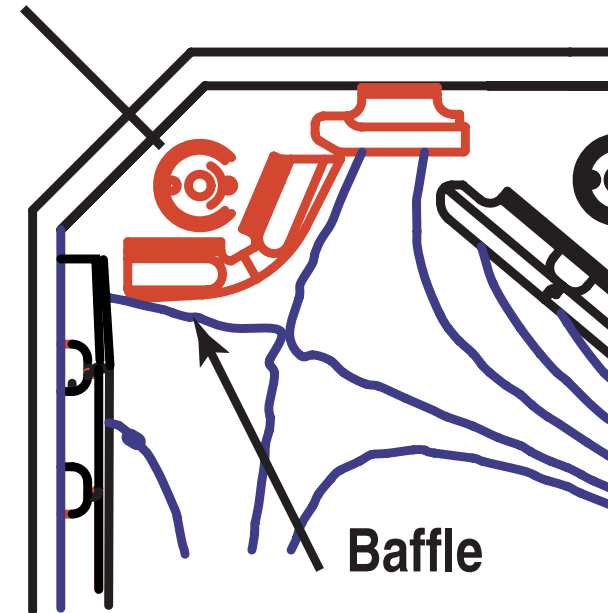
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Inner Cryopump



- New upper divertor:
 - Cryopump
 - Baffle in Private Flux Region

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 - L. Baylor - Invited Talk on Pellet Injection