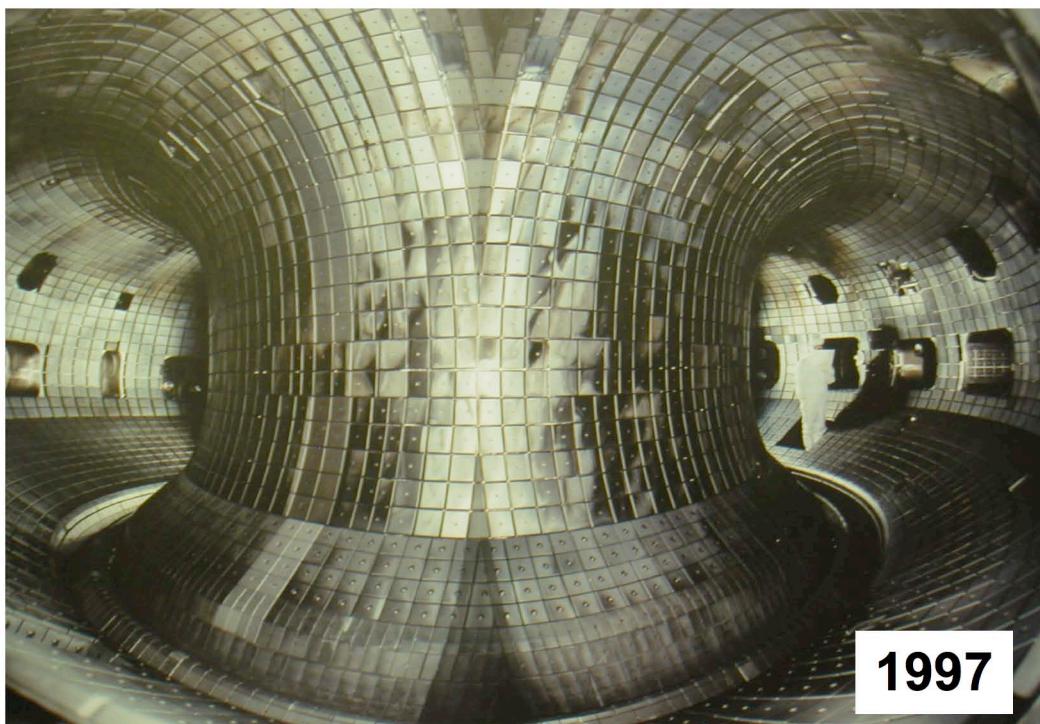


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JT-60U objectives and strategy

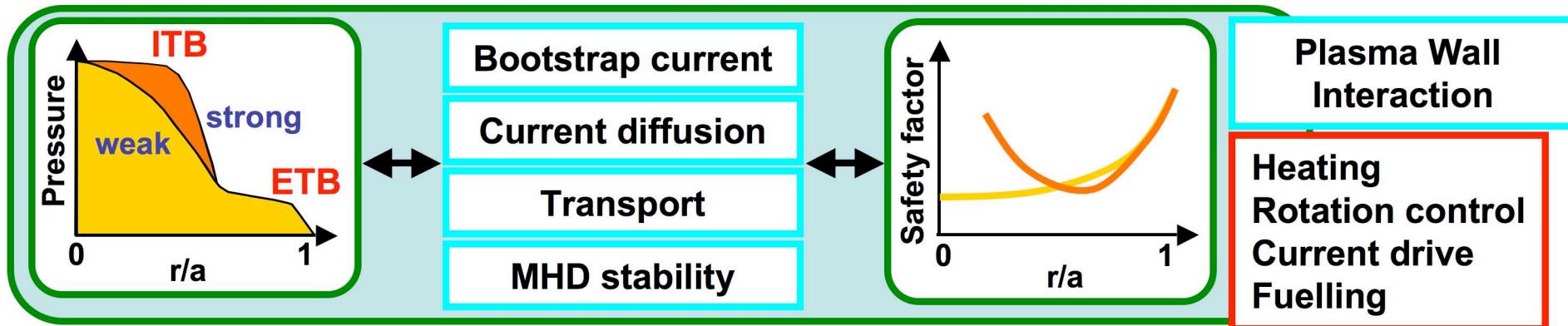
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- ITER Physics R&D
- Advanced Tokamak (AT) Concepts for ITER & DEMO

AT plasmas : high β_N & high bootstrap current fraction (f_{BS})

- high β_p mode plasma
- reversed shear (RS) plasma

Strong $p(r)$ and $q(r)$ linkage among physics with various time scales



Main topics

- ‘03-’04 • Sustainment of high β_N below no wall ideal limit and high f_{BS} longer than the current diffusion time.
- ‘05-’06 • High β_N exceeding no wall ideal limit.
• Integrated performance in the long high β_N discharges.
• Development of real time control systems towards intelligent control for the high f_{BS} plasmas.

Schematic view of research area in β_N - f_{BS} space

High β_N exceeding no wall limit

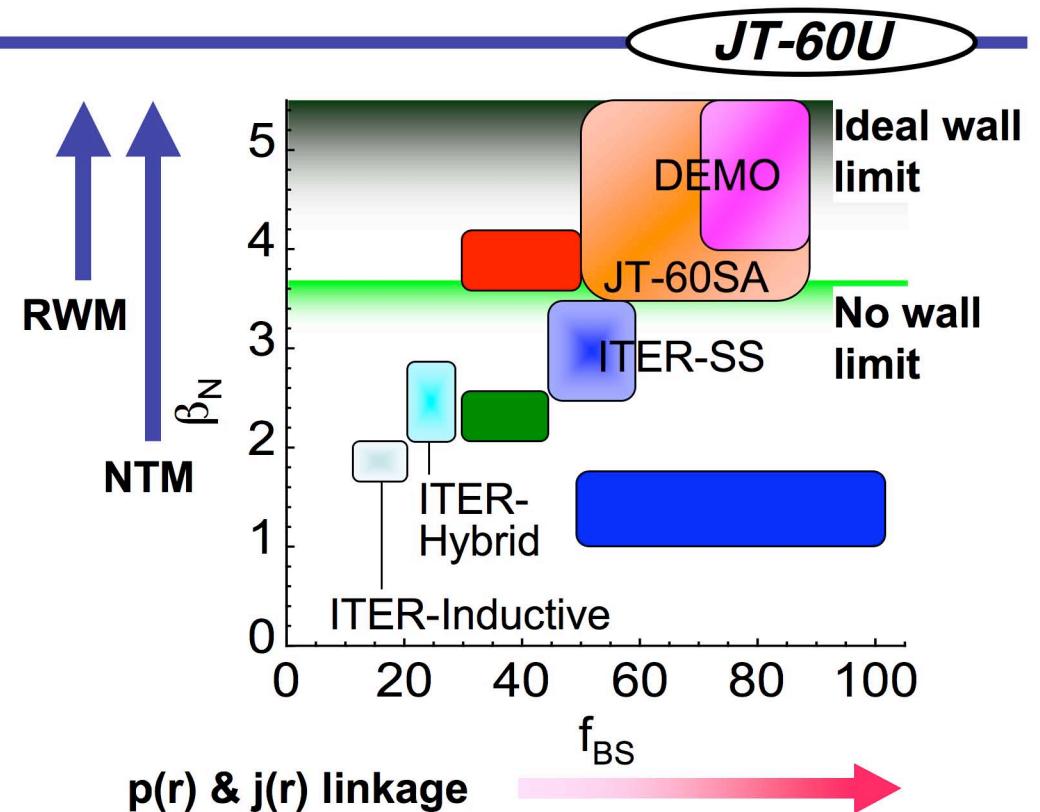
- Wall stabilization effect
- Suppression of resistive wall mode (RWM) by plasma rotation

Integrated performance

- Confinement improvement

Real-time control systems

- Pressure profile control
- Real-time current profile control



Ferritic Steel Tiles (FSTs) are installed inside the vacuum vessel to reduce toroidal field ripple.

→ **Decrease in fast ion loss with the large volume configuration close to the wall, where wall stabilization effectively works.**

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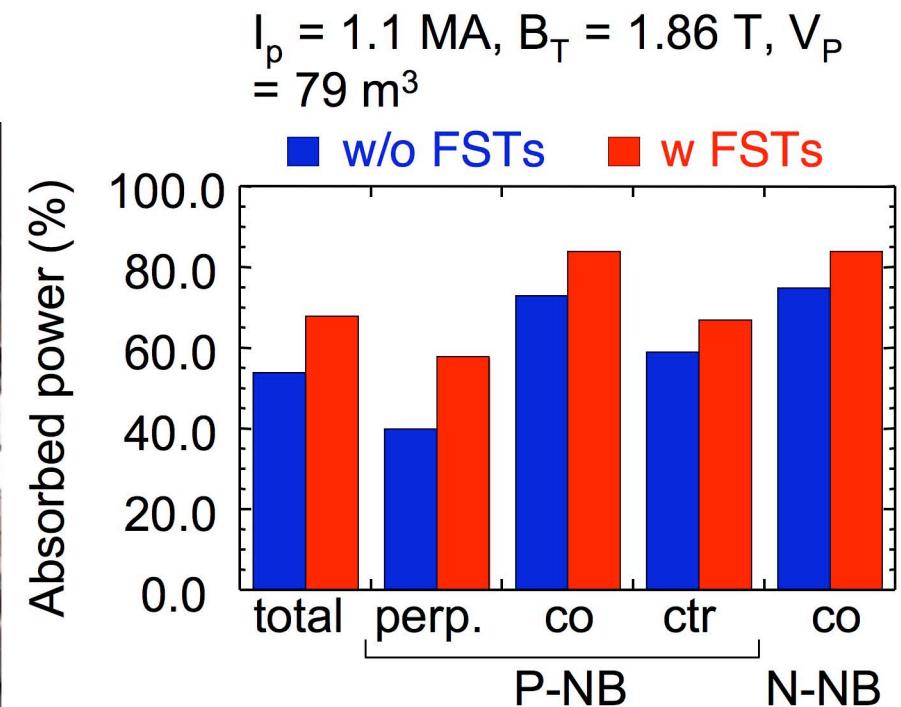
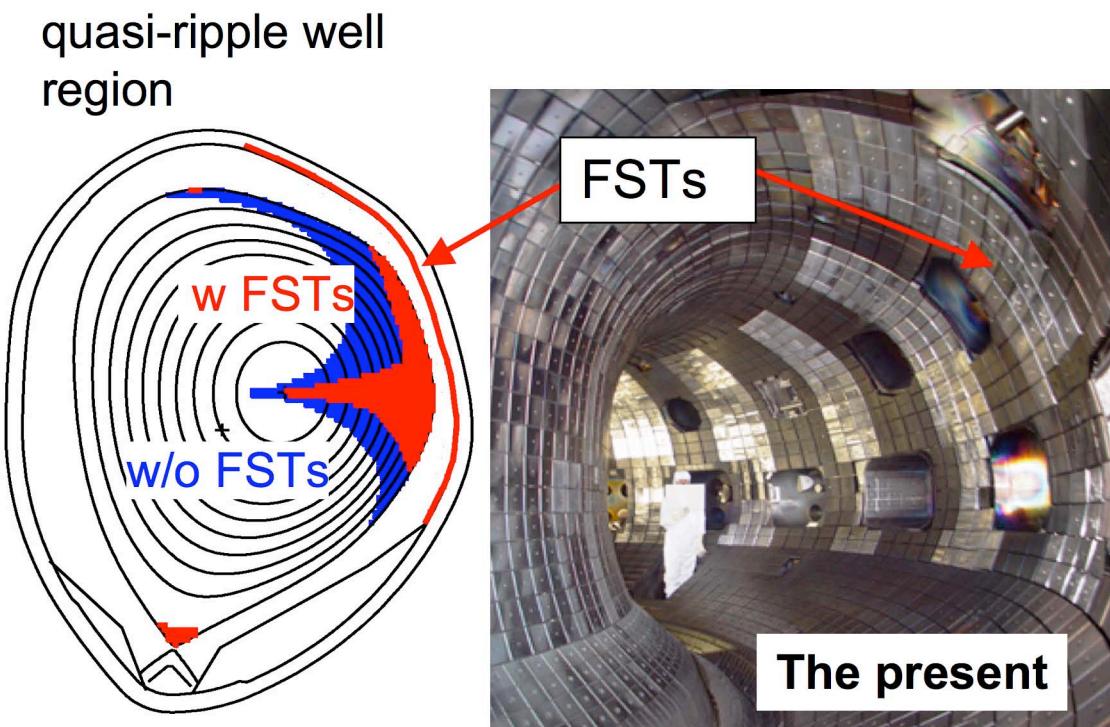
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- 6. Summary**

1. Installation of ferritic steel tiles and its effects in L- and H-mode plasmas.

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- FSTs cover ~10% of the surface.
- Large effect is obtained at $B_T < \sim 2$ T.
- 3-D Monte-Carlo simulations (F3D OFMC) for fast ion behavior indicated that total absorbed power is increased by 30% (by 50% for perpendicular NB) in the large volume configuration.

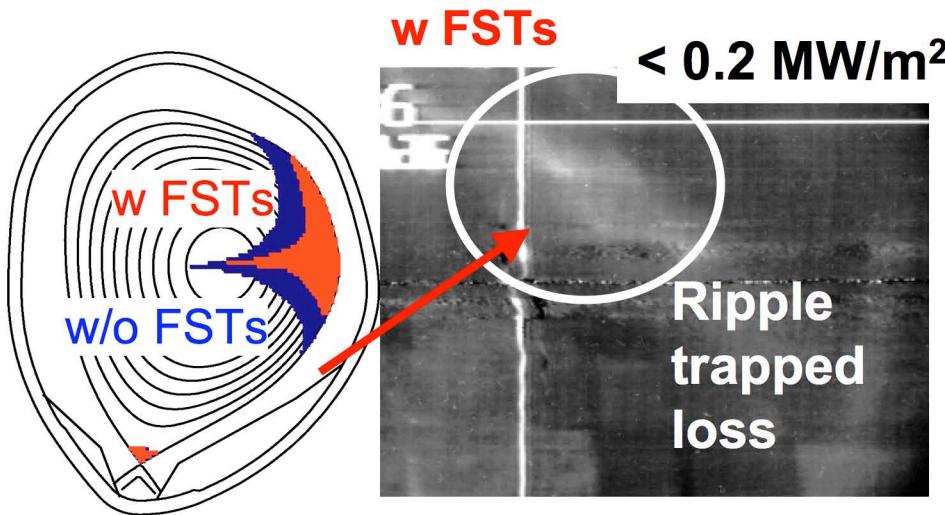


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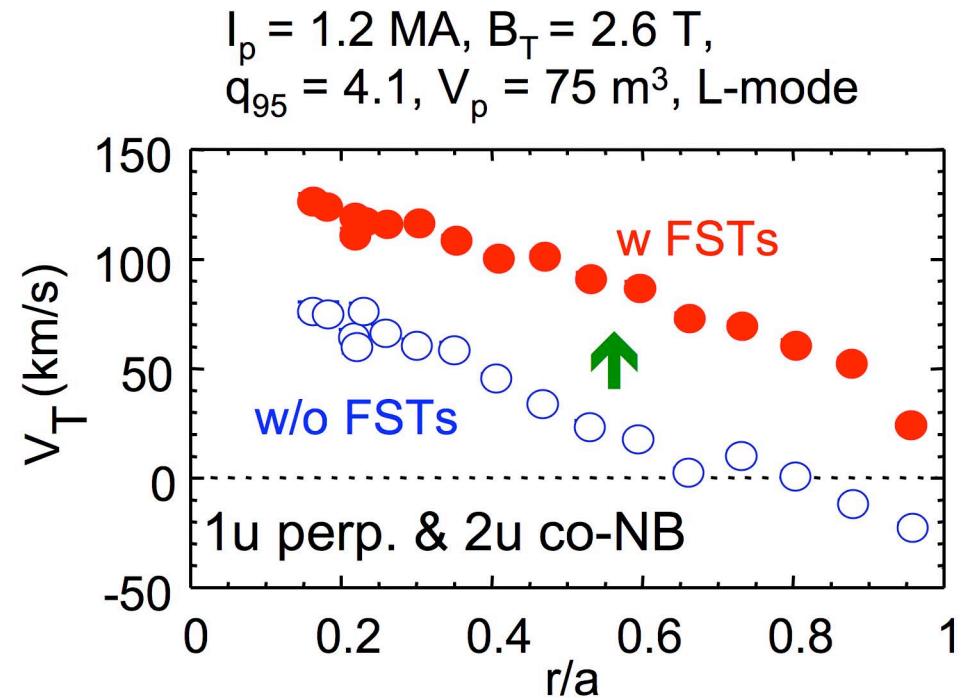
Spin-up of toroidal rotation in co-direction due to reduction of fast ion loss.

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- Heat flux in the ripple trapped loss region measured with IRTV is consistent with that calculated by F3D OFMC.
- Toroidal rotation shifts to co-direction due to the reduction of the fast ion loss.



F3D OFMC calculation
 $< 0.3 \text{ MW/m}^2$ w FSTs
 $> 1 \text{ MW/m}^2$ w/o FSTs



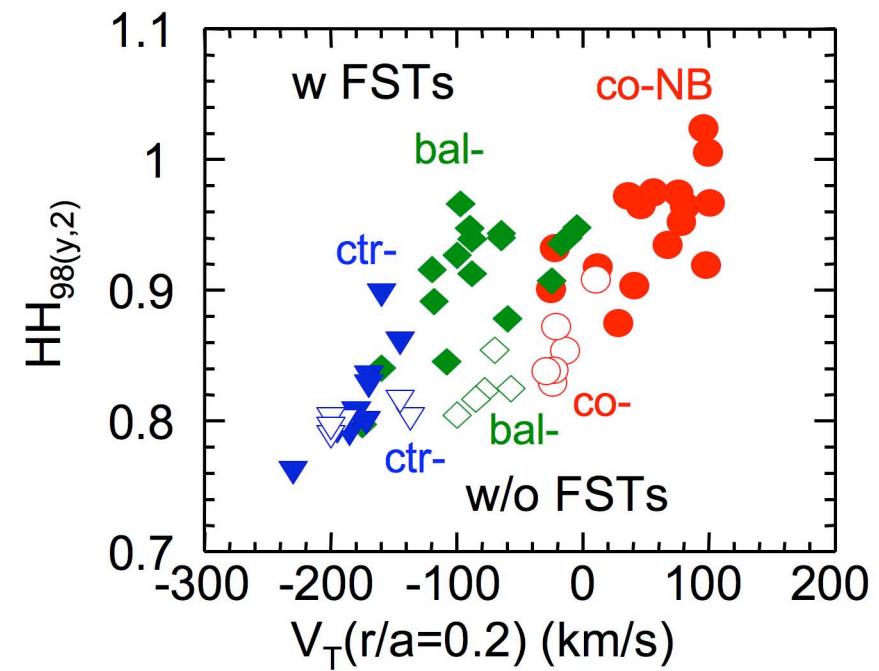
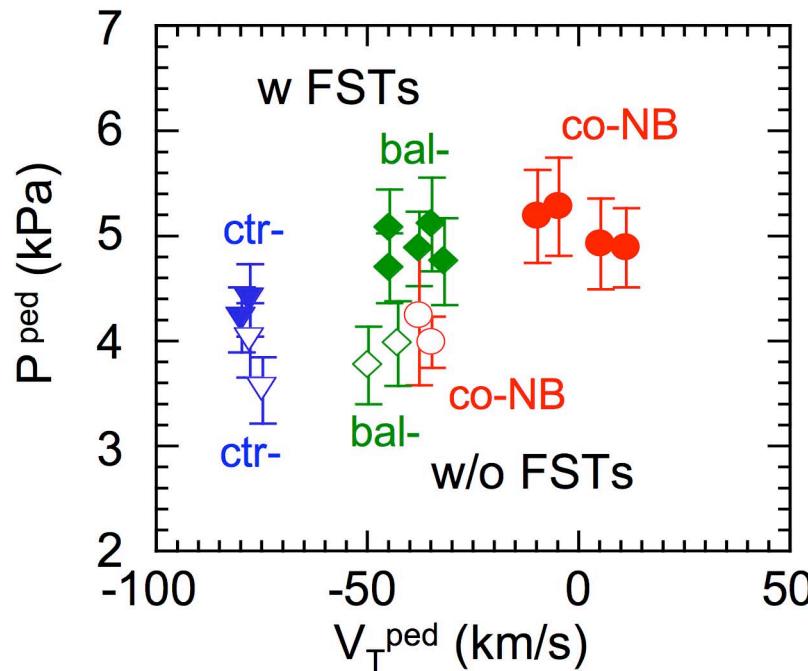
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Pedestal parameters and confinement are enhanced with co-rotation in H-mode.

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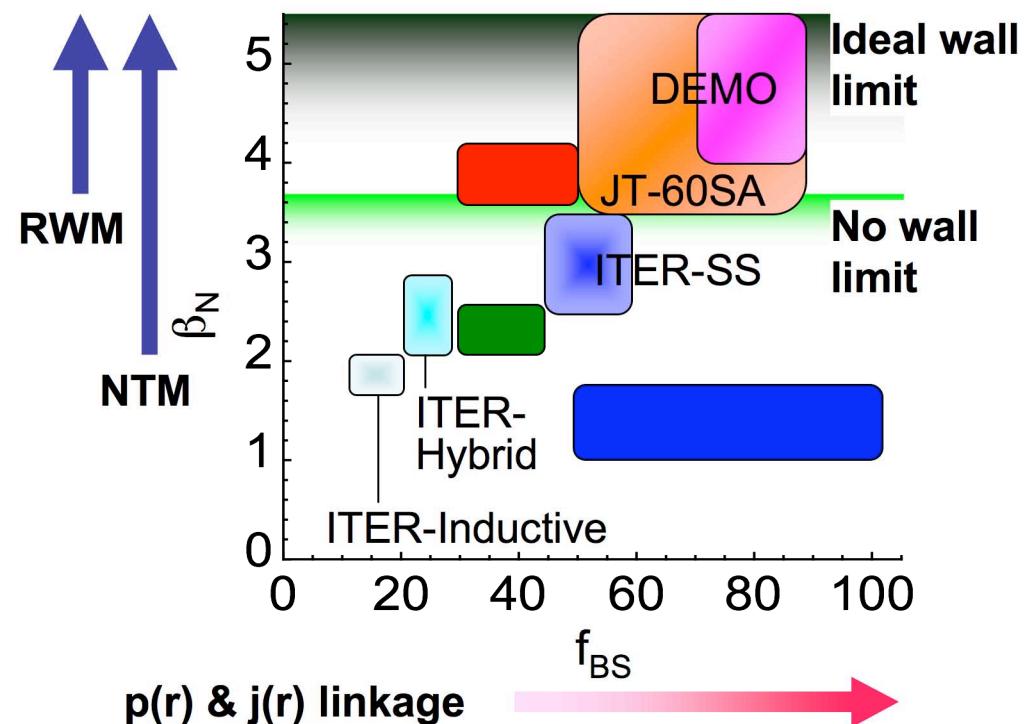
- $I_p = 1.2 \text{ MA}$, $B_T = 2.6 \text{ T}$, $q_{95} = 4.1$, $V_p = 75 \text{ m}^3$
- **Pedestal pressure increases with the increase in toroidal rotation at the pedestal in co-direction.**
- **Energy confinement is improved by enhancing core toroidal rotation in co-direction.**
- Pedestal pressure and confinement are raised with FSTs even at a given toroidal rotation.



H. Urano (EX/5-1, Thu.)

2. Extension of operation regime to High β_N exceeding no wall ideal limit and RWM study

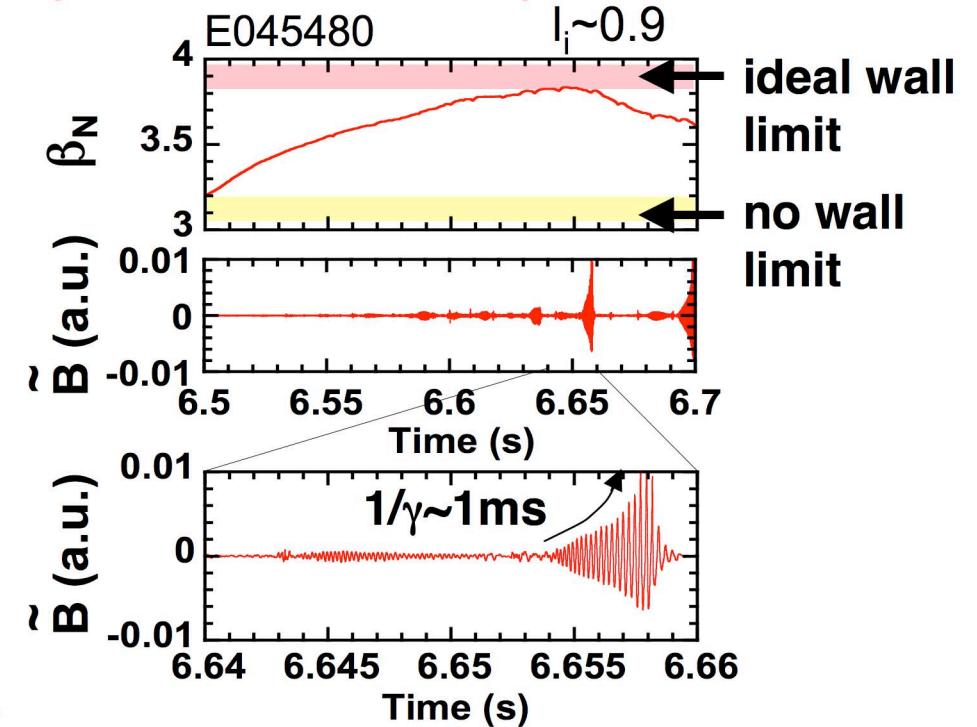
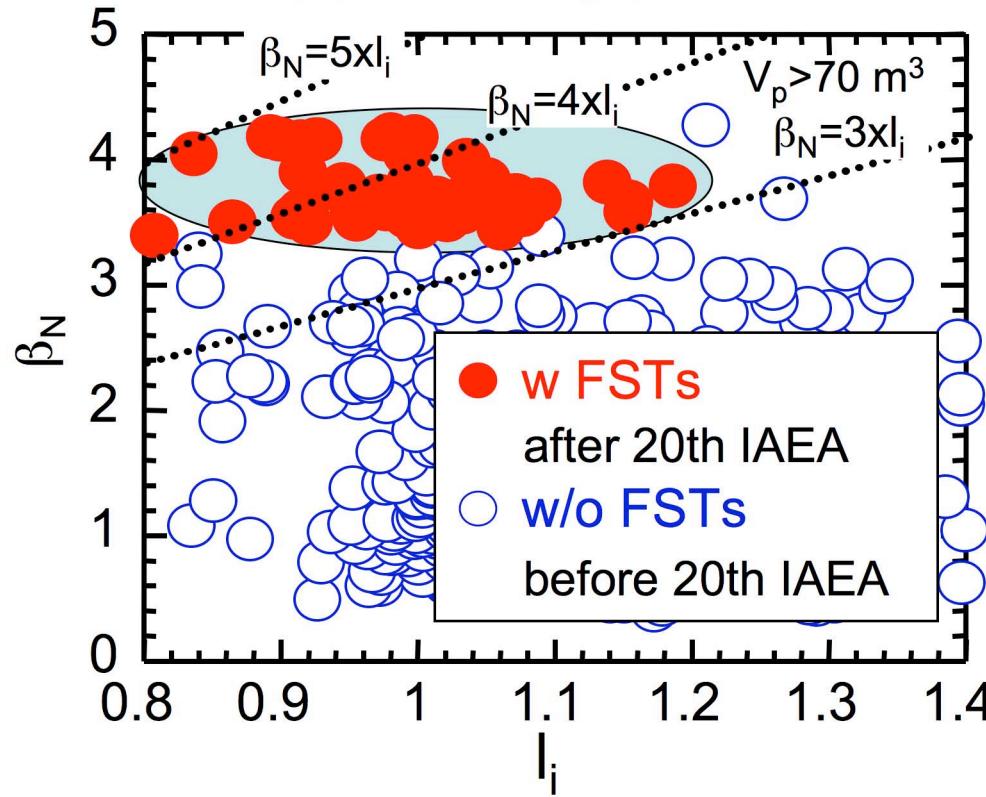
- Suppression of RWM by plasma rotation is a key.
- Estimation of critical rotation velocity for suppressing RWM is important.



β_N reaches ideal wall limit.

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- High β_p ELM My H-mode plasma : $B_T=1.58$ T, $I_p=0.9$ MA, $\delta_0\sim 20$ cm ($d/a=1.2$)
- Increase in net heating power due to the FSTs installation allows to access high β_N up to 4.2 with $I_i=0.8-1$.
- $n=1$ ($m\sim 3$) mode at high beta region.
- Growth time of $1/\gamma\sim 1$ ms ($< \tau_w\sim 10$ ms) before collapse.
- RWM is suppressed by plasma rotation (100km/s at $r/a=0.3$).

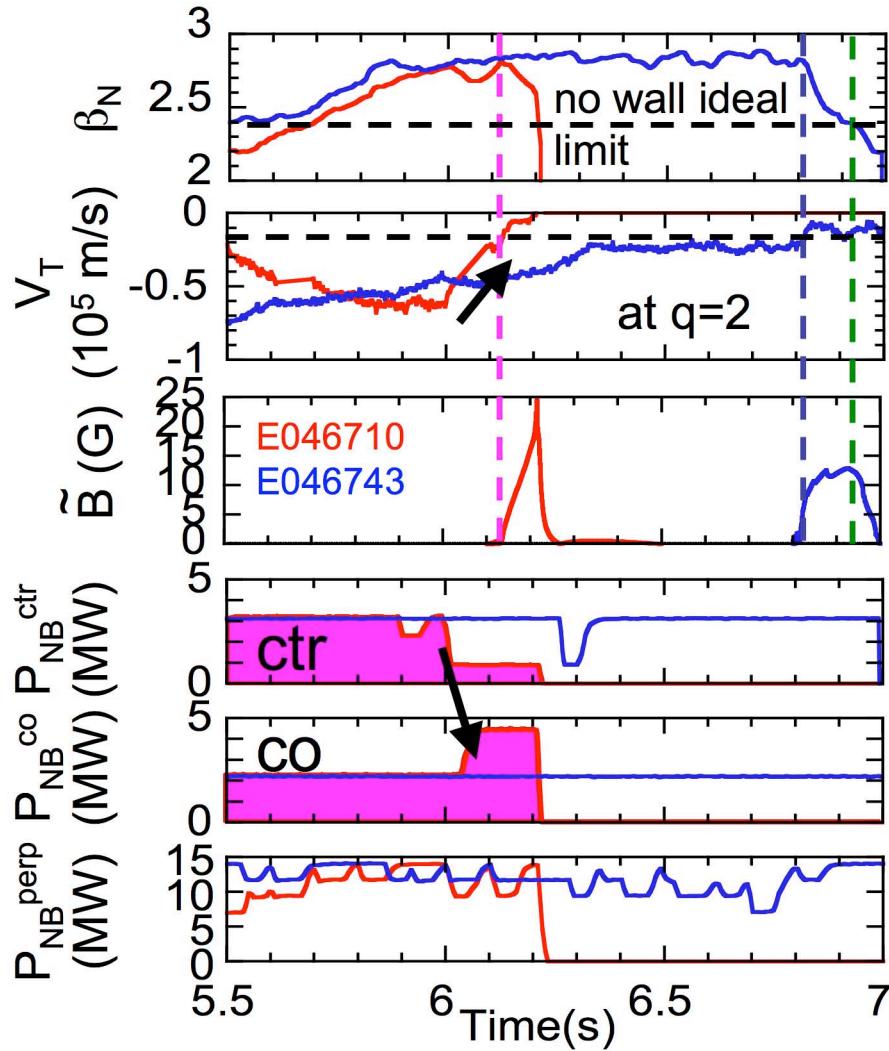


M. Takechi (EX/7-1Rb, Fri.)

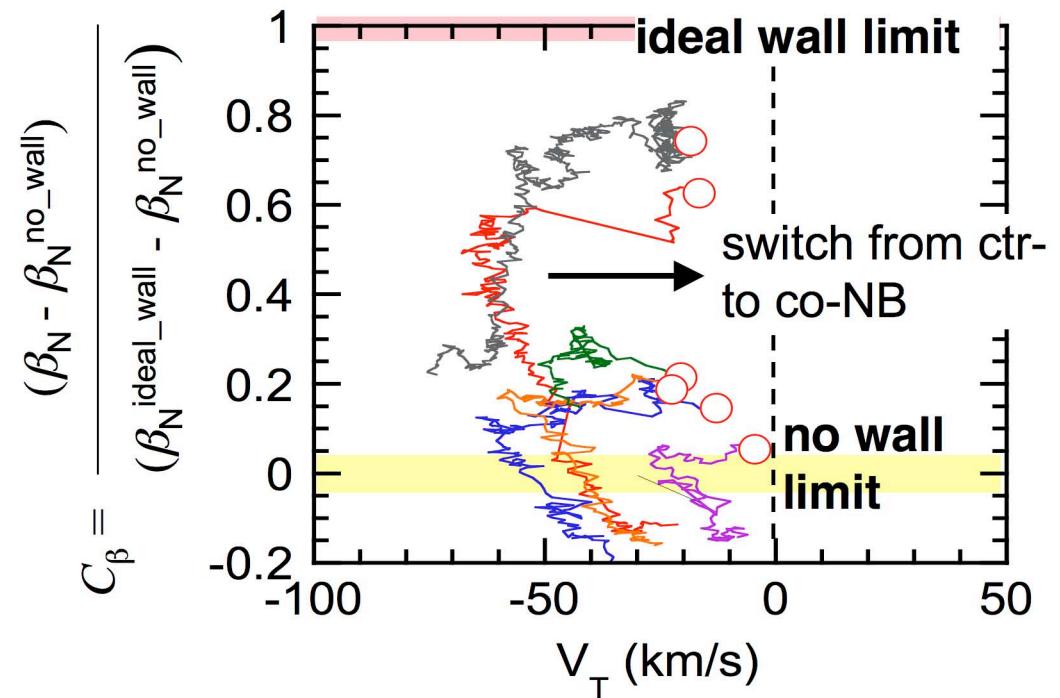
Small critical rotation velocity of $V_C/V_A \sim 0.3\%$ is found at $q_{95}=3.5$ for suppressing RWM.

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- Less counter rotation due to the FSTs installation enables to change the rotation in co-direction close to zero.



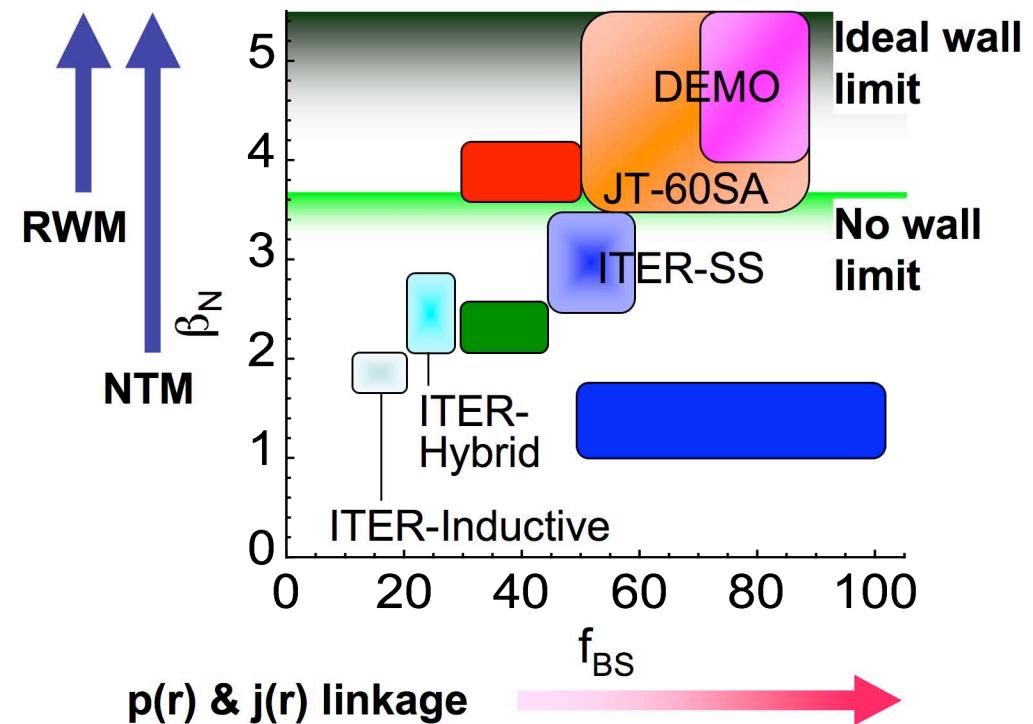
- $V_C \sim 15 \text{ km/s}$
- Growth time of $1/\gamma \sim 10 \text{ ms} (\sim \tau_w)$
- No increase in V_C for higher C_β .
- Large impact on ITER & DEMO.



M. Takechi (EX/7-1Rb, Fri.)

3. Integration of plasma performance in the long high β_N discharges.

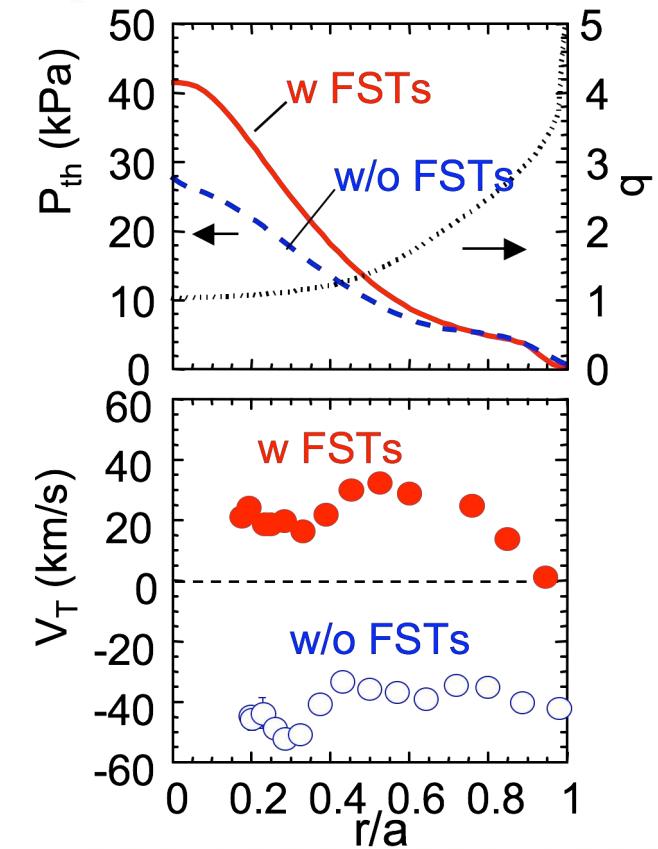
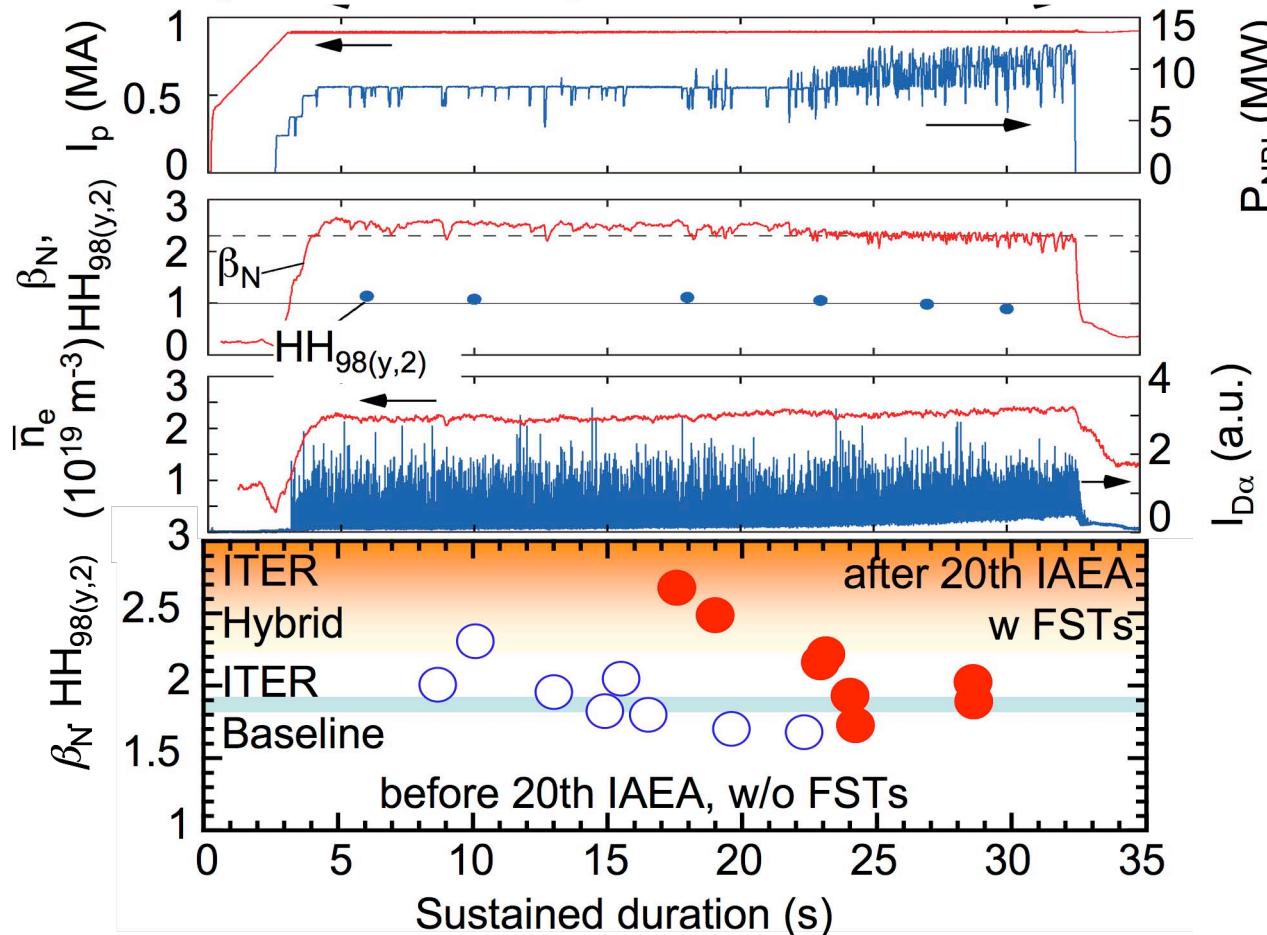
- Confinement improvement is a key.
- Robustness for current profile diffusion should be demonstrated.
- Change of wall pumping with a long time scale is important issue.



High $\beta_N \text{HH}_{98(y,2)} = 2.2$ is sustained for 23.1 s ($\sim 12\tau_R$) with $f_{\text{BS}} = 36\text{-}45\%$ at $q_{95} \sim 3.3$.

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- High β_p ELMMy H-mode plasmas : $I_p = 0.9 \text{ MA}$, $B_T = 1.6 \text{ T}$, $V_p = 67 \text{ m}^3$
- Increase in net heating power due to the FSTs installation allows flexible combination of NB units. → peaked heating profile.
- Density increase degrades confinement in the latter phase.

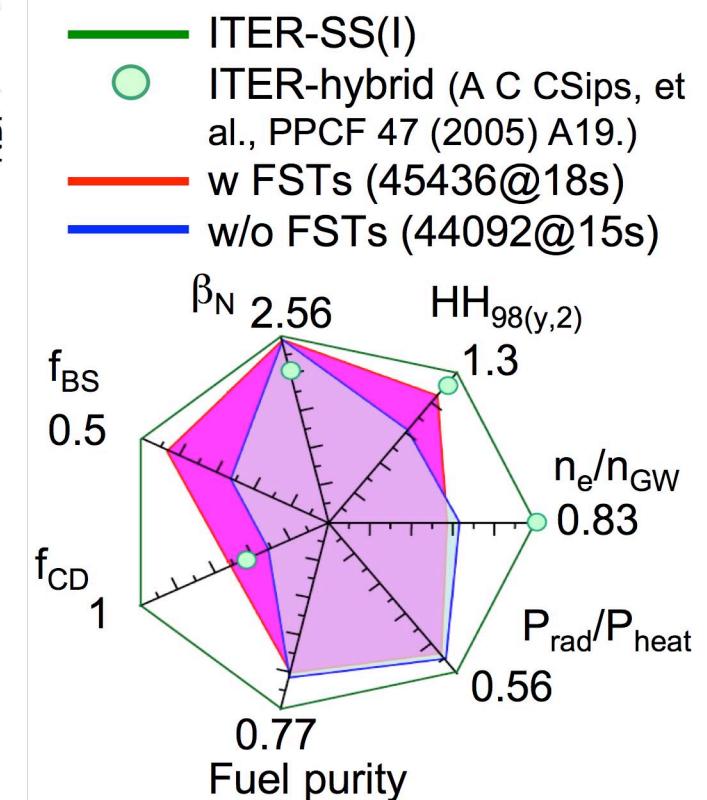
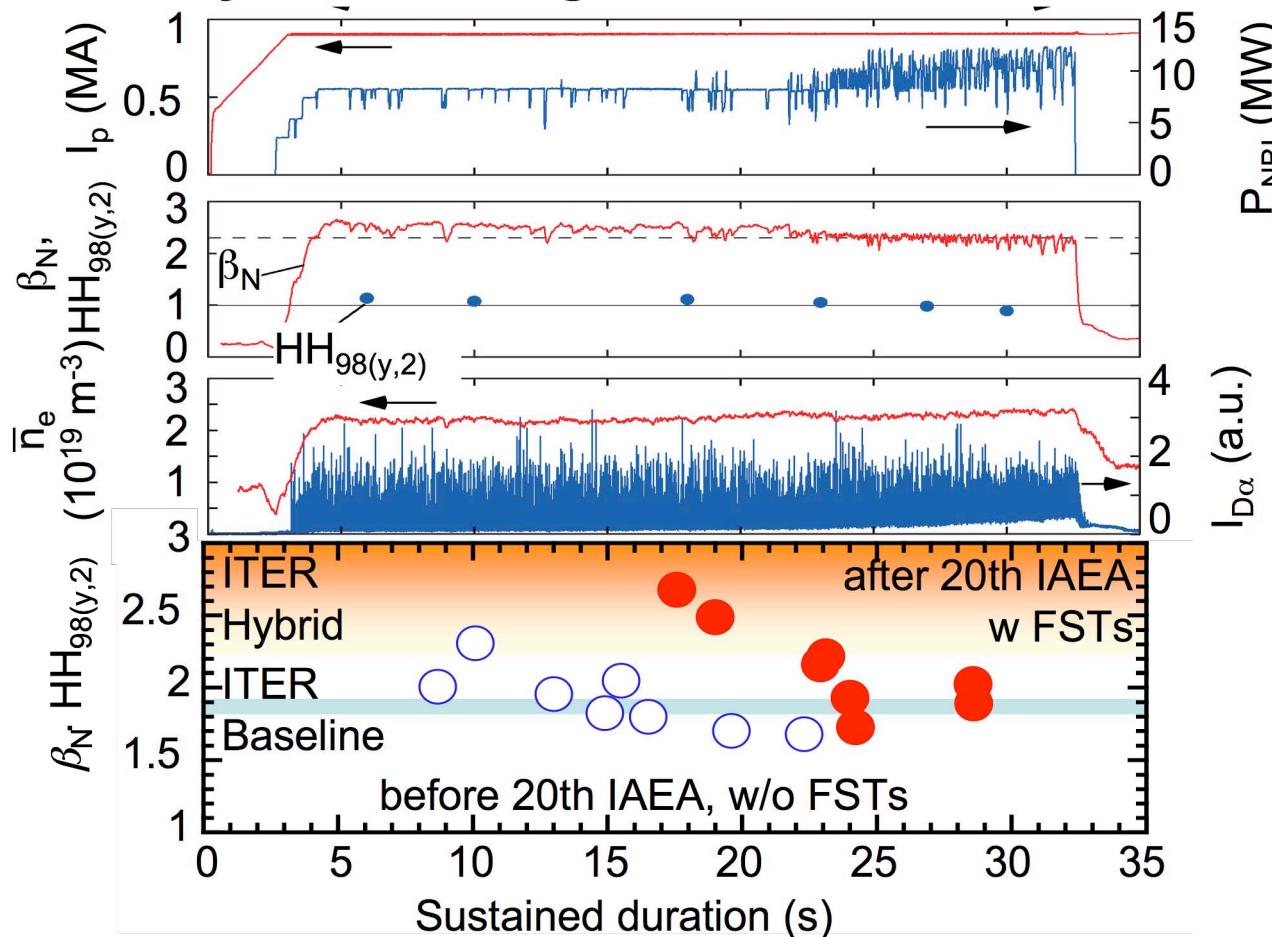


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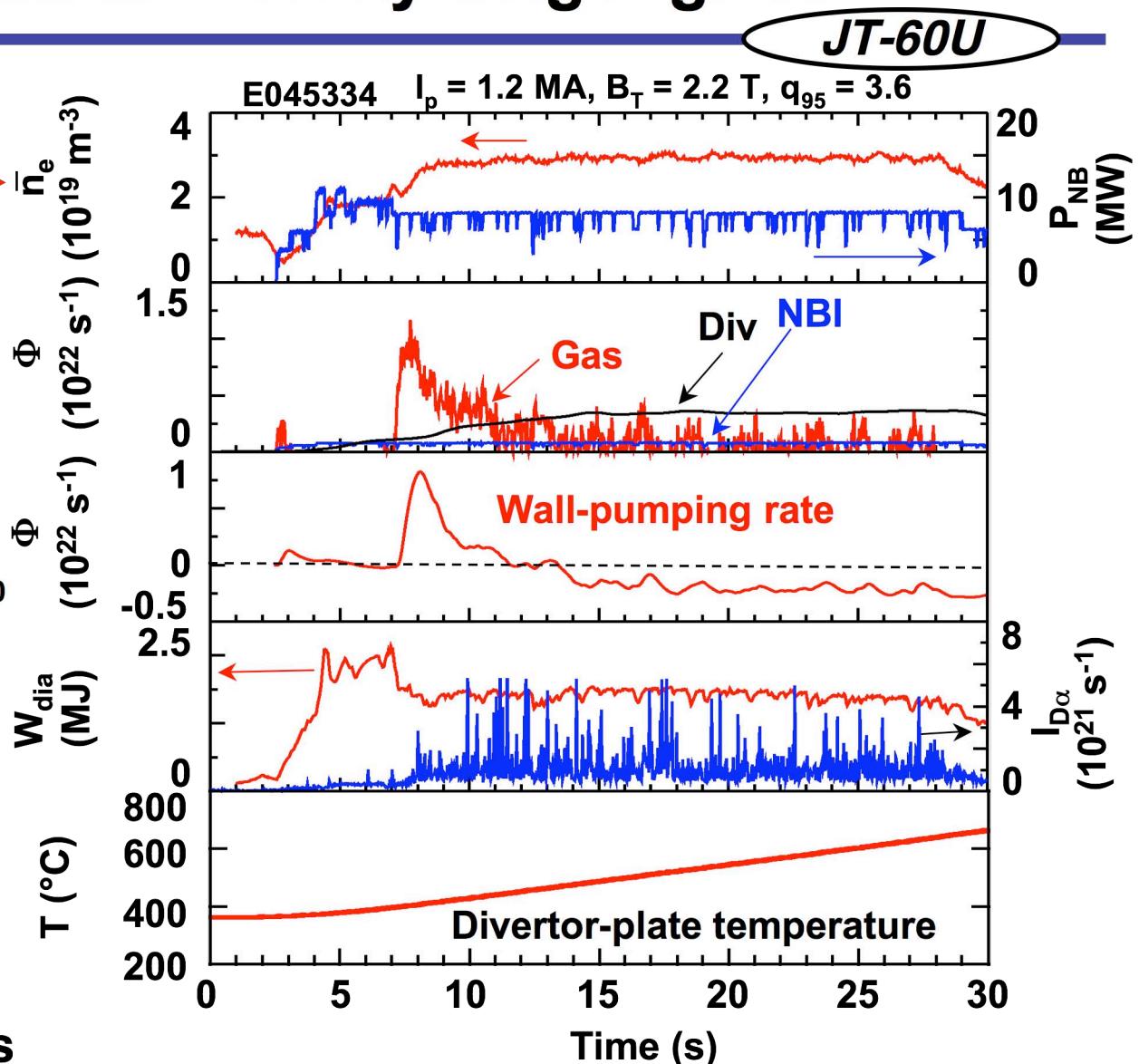
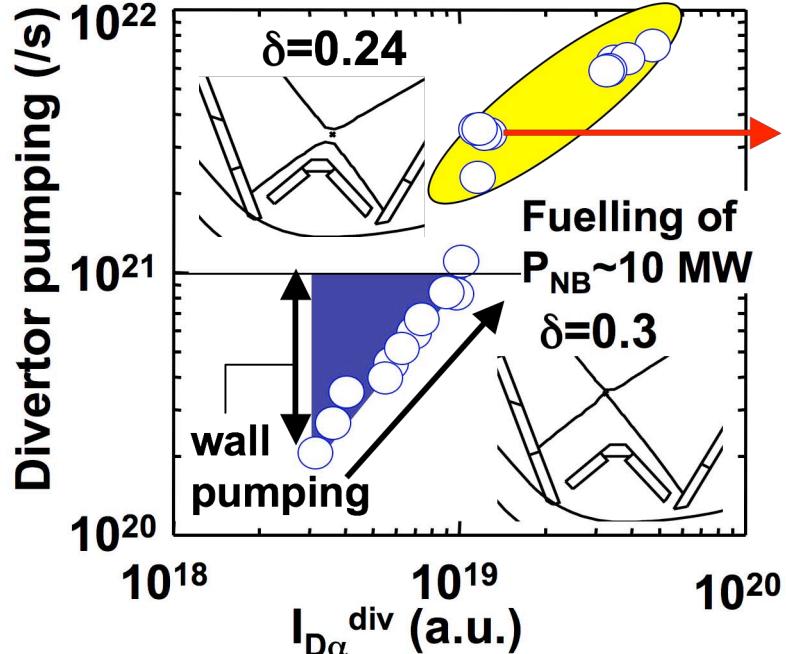
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Density is successfully controlled by divertor pumping in enhanced recycling region.

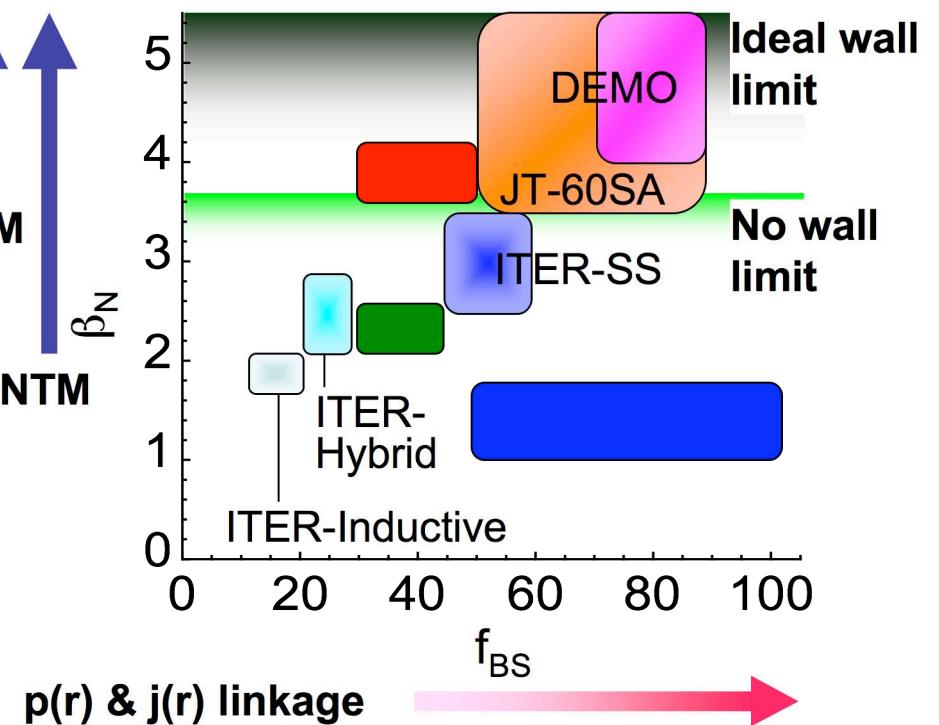
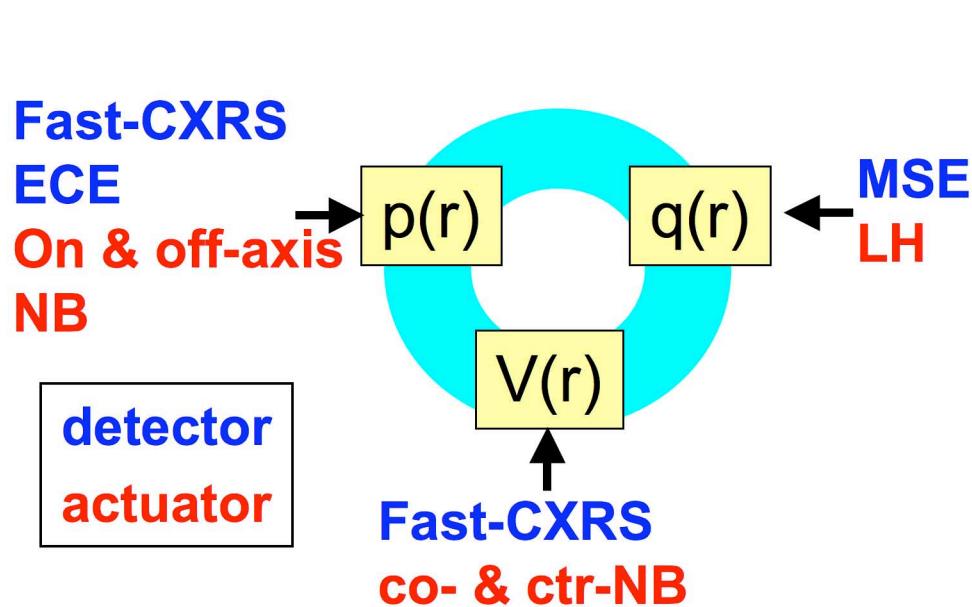


- Divertor pumping depends on recycling.
- $HH_{98(y,2)} \sim 0.71$ at $0.64n_{GW}$.
- The outgas could be attributed to increase in divertor plate temperature.
- Integration for high density is remaining issue.

H. Kubo (EX/P4-11, Thu.)

4. Development of real time control with high bootstrap current fraction

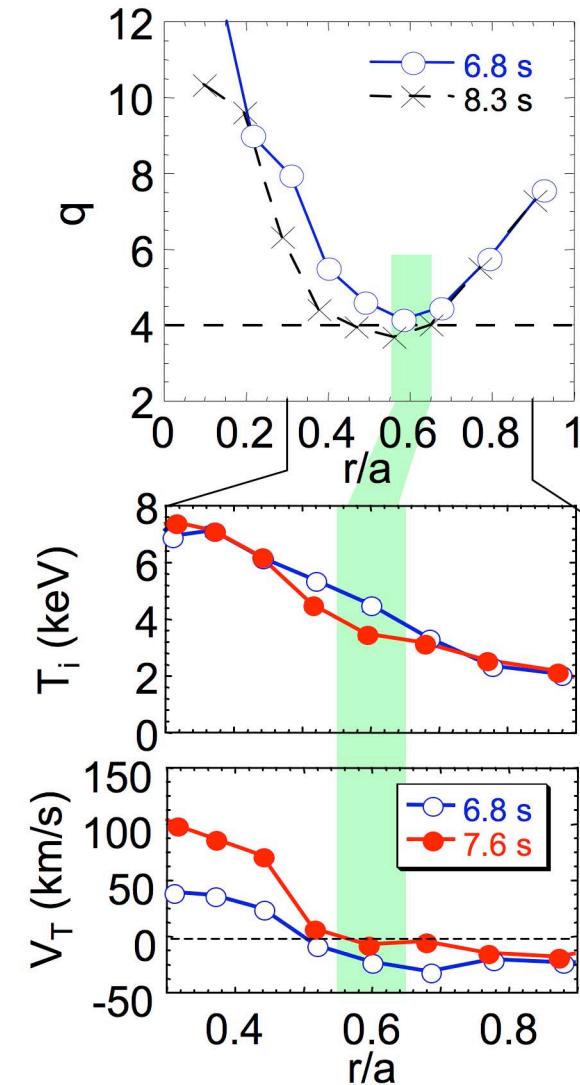
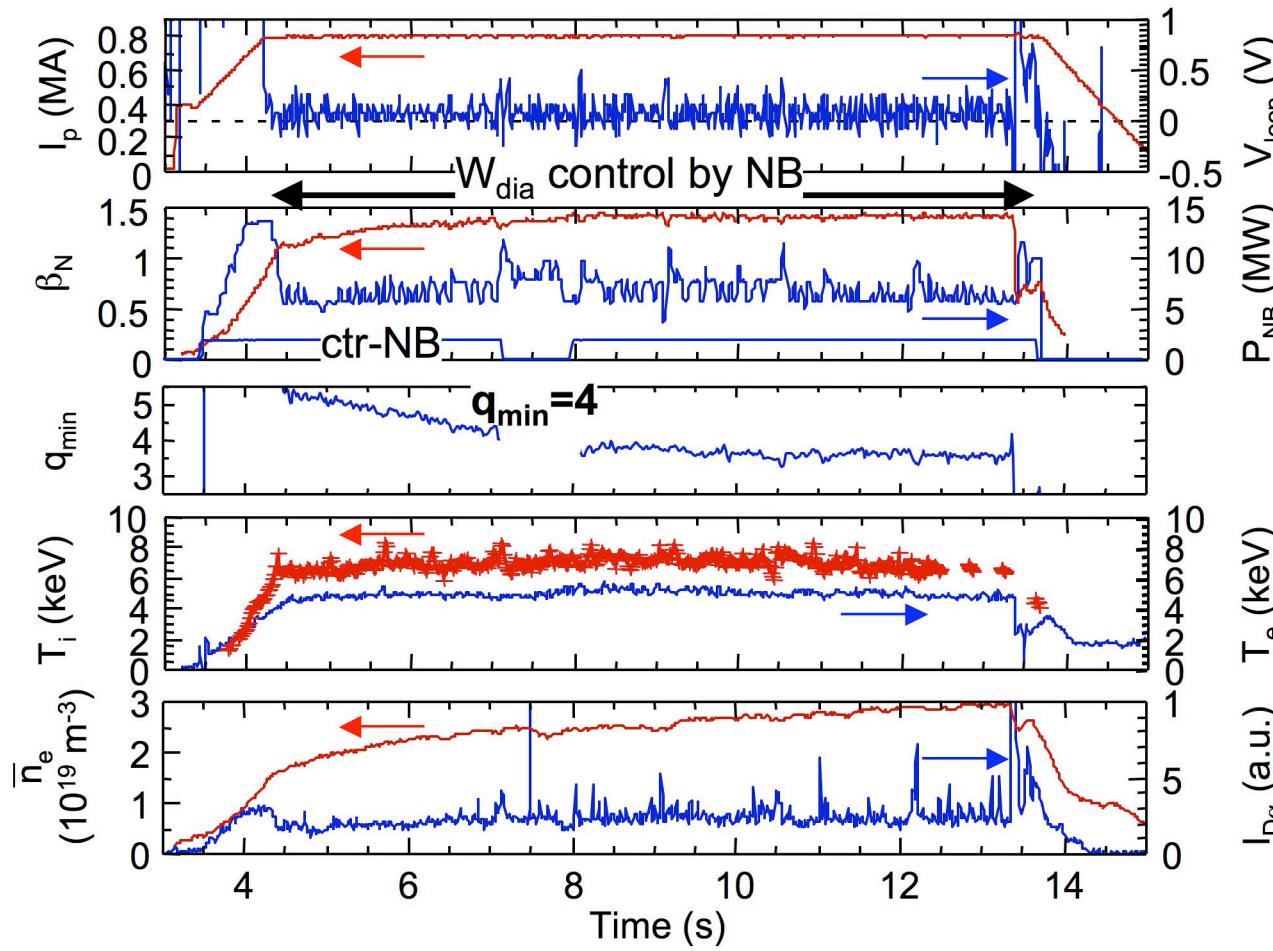
- Understanding of $p(r)$ and $j(r)$ linkage.
- Current profile control is important for AT plasmas.



High f_{BS} of 70% is sustained for 8 s by p(r) control at $q_{min}=4$ with real time q_{min} estimation.

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- RS plasma : $q_{95} \sim 8.5$, $HH_{98(y,2)} \sim 1.8$, $\beta_N \sim 1.4$.
- Ctr-NB off for p(r) control at $q_{min}=4$ for 1.0s.

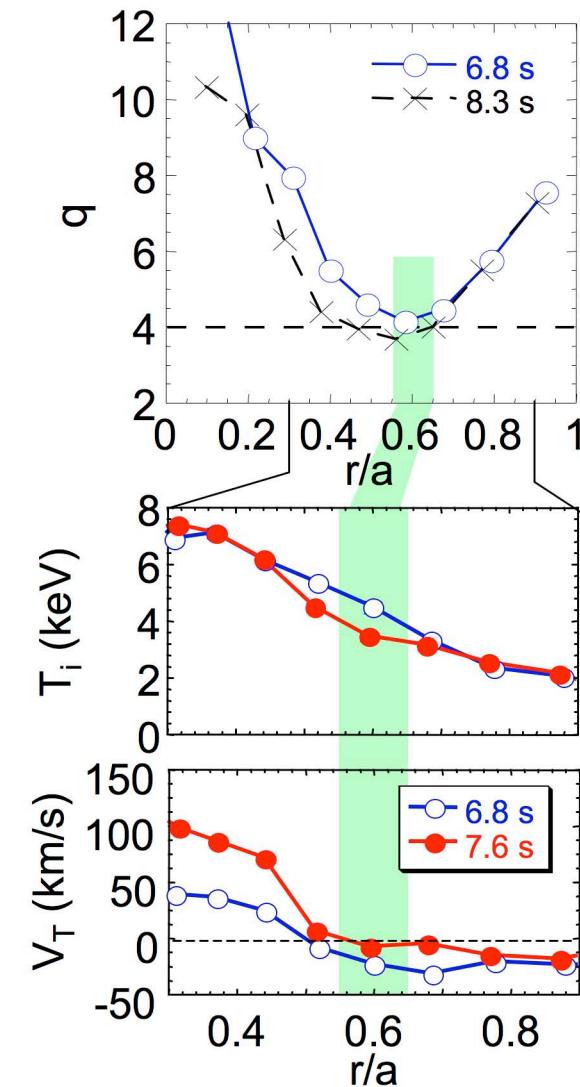
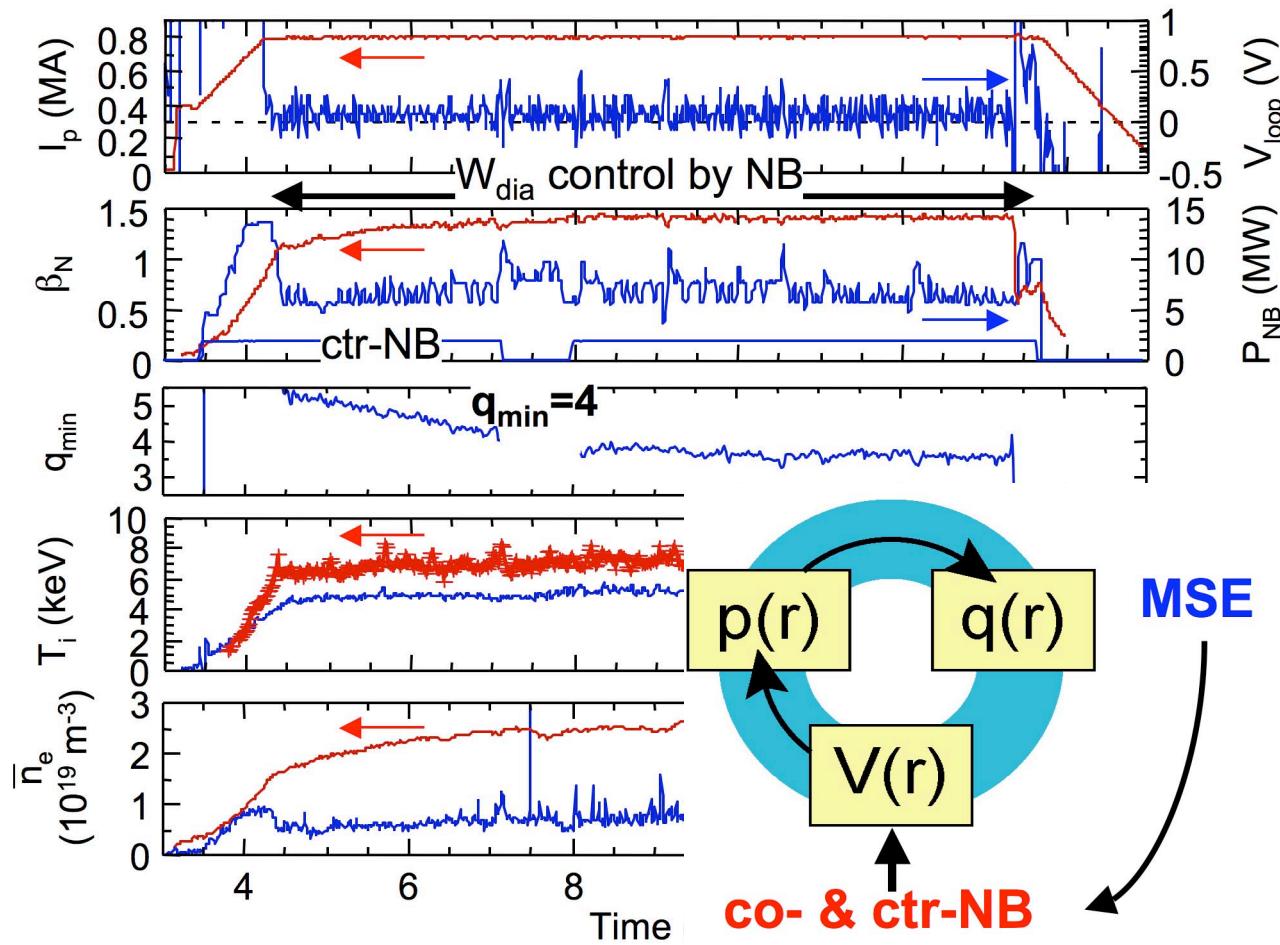


Y. Sakamoto (EX/P1-10, Tue.)

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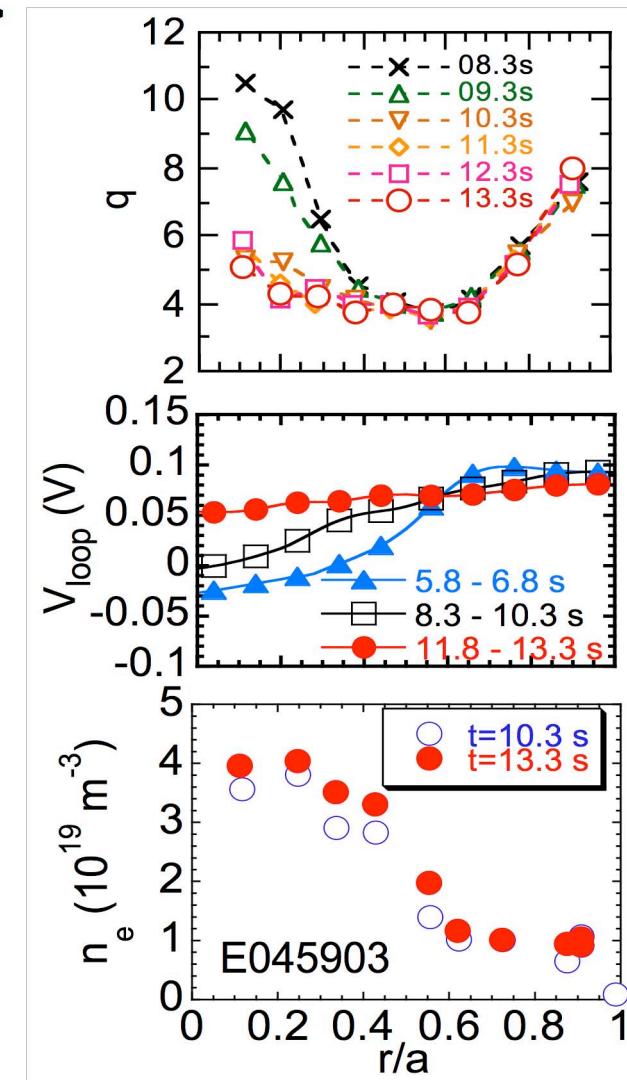
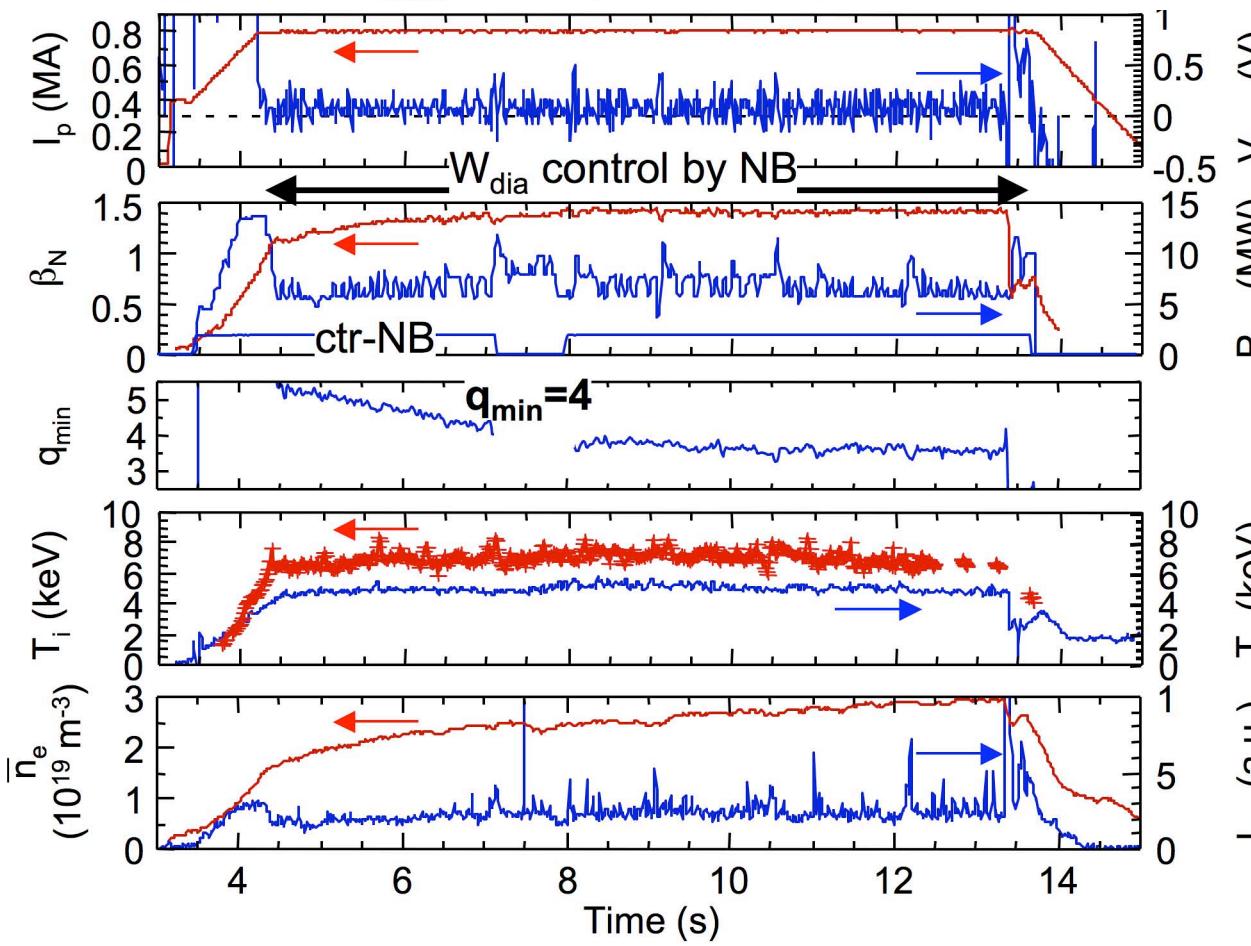


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- $j(r)$ approaches SS, while, $n_e(r)$ still evolves for $\tau > \tau_p^*(\sim 2s)$ and plasma collapses.
→ $p(r)$ control is important even with nearly SS $j(r)$ and q_{min} being not integer.

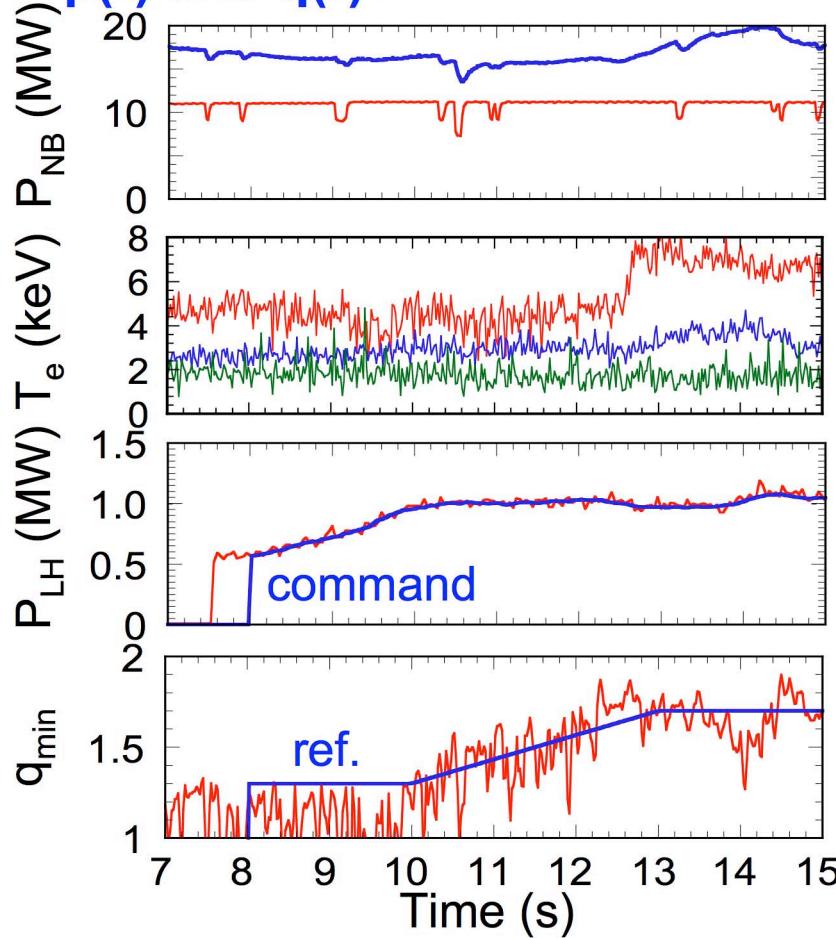


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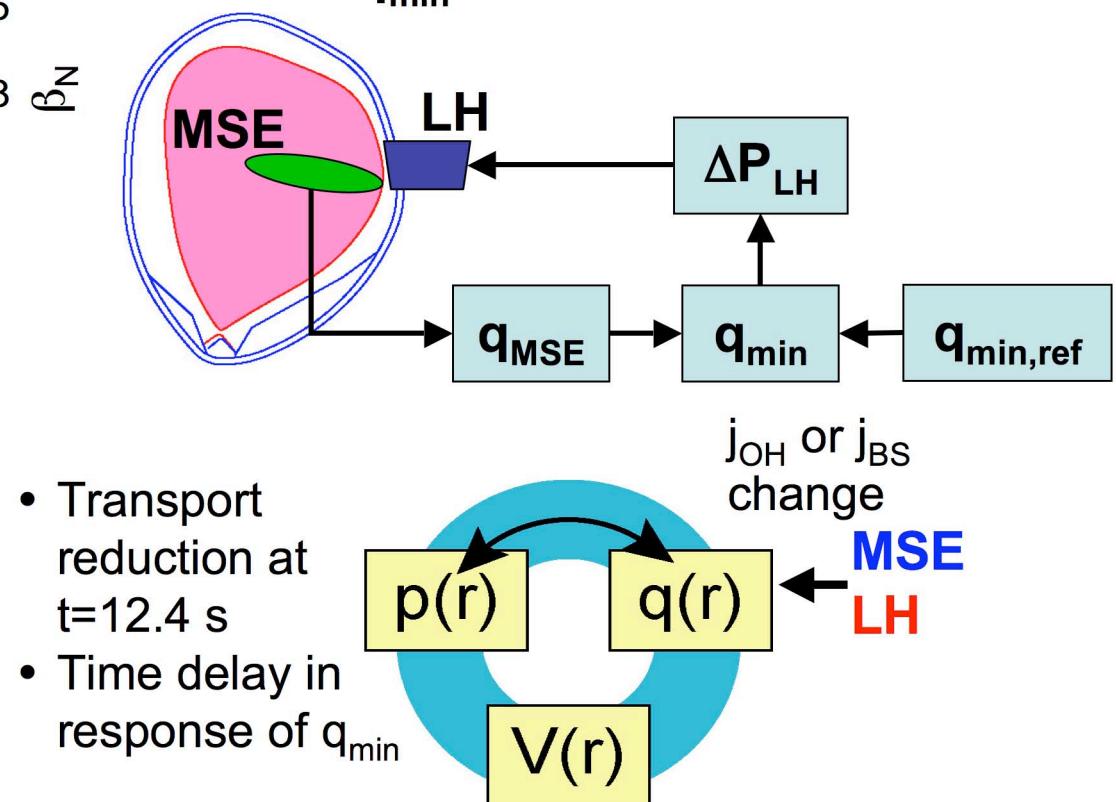
Real time q_{\min} control demonstrated with MSE diagnostics and LHCD at $f_{BS}=0.46$.

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- Reduction of fast ion loss due to the FSTs installation increases compatibility of LHCD with high power heating.
- q_{\min} control is affected by dynamic behavior related to the strong linkage of $p(r)$ and $q(r)$.



Real time q_{\min} control scheme

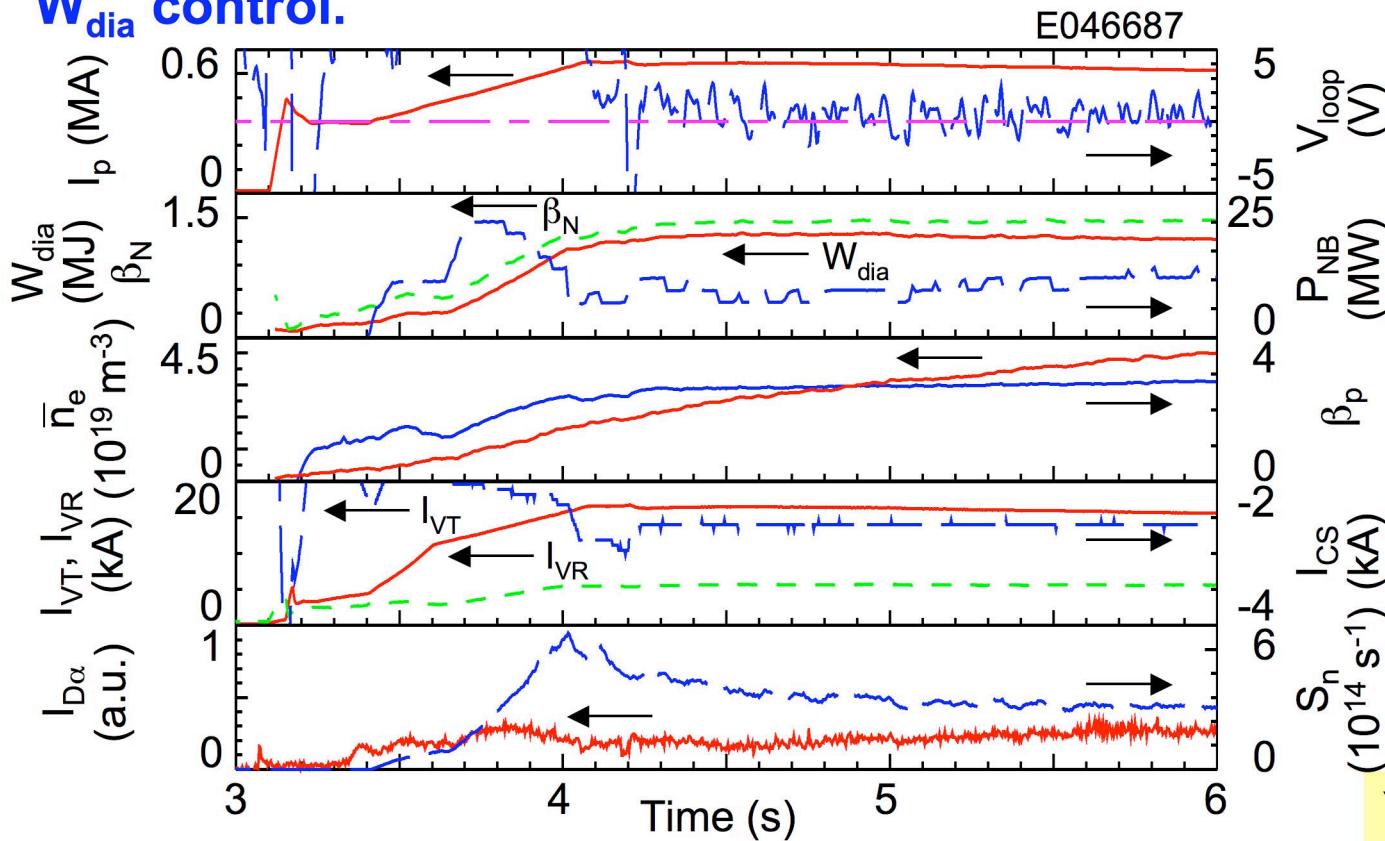


T. Suzuki (EX/6-4, Thu.)

Control for bootstrap sustained plasma ($f_{BS} \sim 100\%$) is challenging.

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- Bootstrap sustained plasma can reduce center solenoid (CS) coil capability, which has a large impact on the economic aspect.
- Nearly constant current (~0.54 MA) is maintained by BS current with constant I_{CS} and negative NBCD current for ~1 second.
- Both W_{dia} and I_p gradually decrease in the strong linkage even with constant W_{dia} control.



$B_T = 4$ T, $\beta_N = 1.15$
 I_{CS} constant
 W_{dia} constant FB

Y. Takase (EX/1-4, Mon.)

5. Physics studies on issues implicated for ITER.

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- **NTM suppression by ECCD**

J_{EC}/J_{BS}

Dependence of EC deposition position

Modeling

- **Behavior of energetic ions with Alfvén eigenmodes**

Neutron emission profile measurements

Comparison with classical calculation

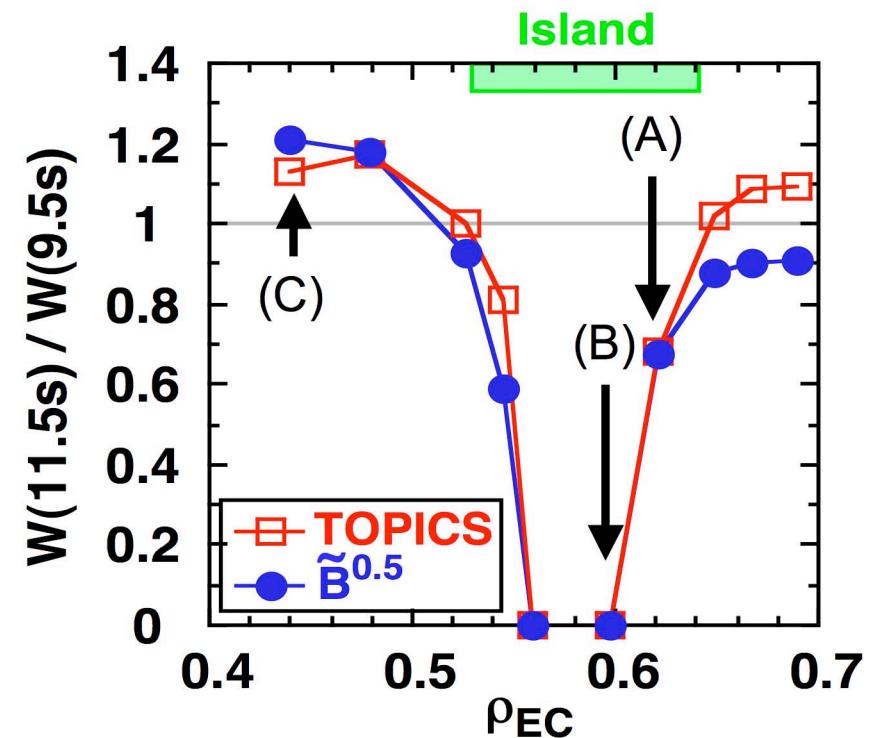
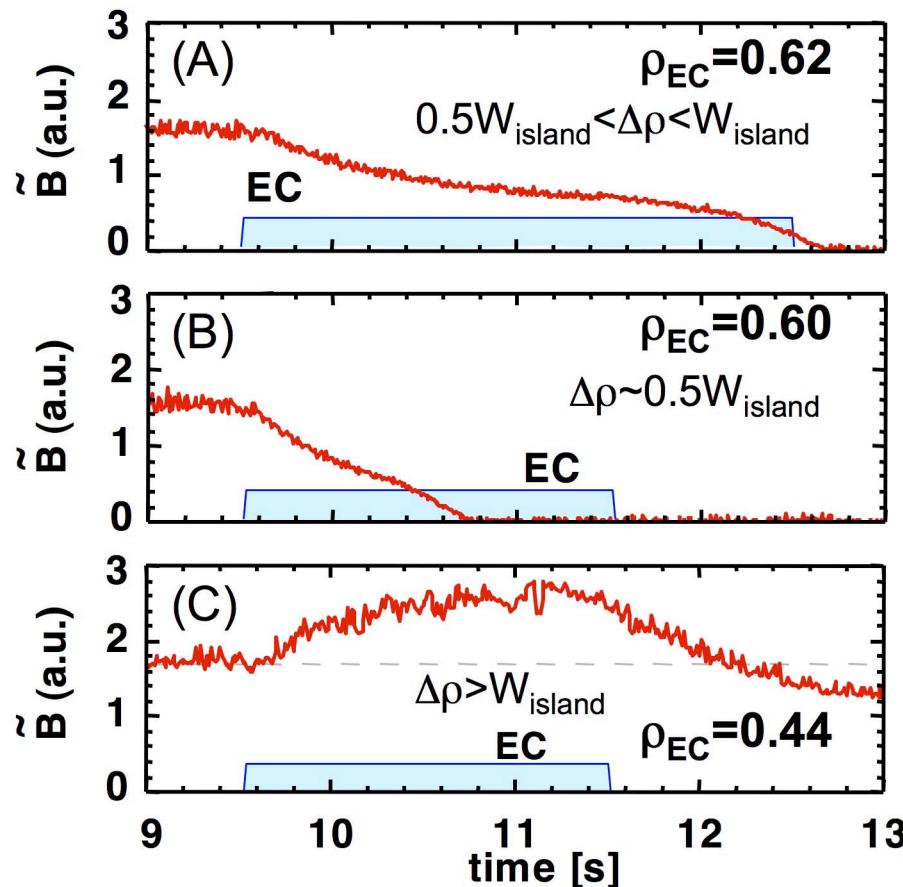
- **ELM propagation in SOL plasma**

Measurements with multi reciprocating probes (LFS and HFS)

2/1 NTM is suppressed at $J_{EC}=0.5J_{BS}$ with well aligned ECCD to $q=2$ surface.

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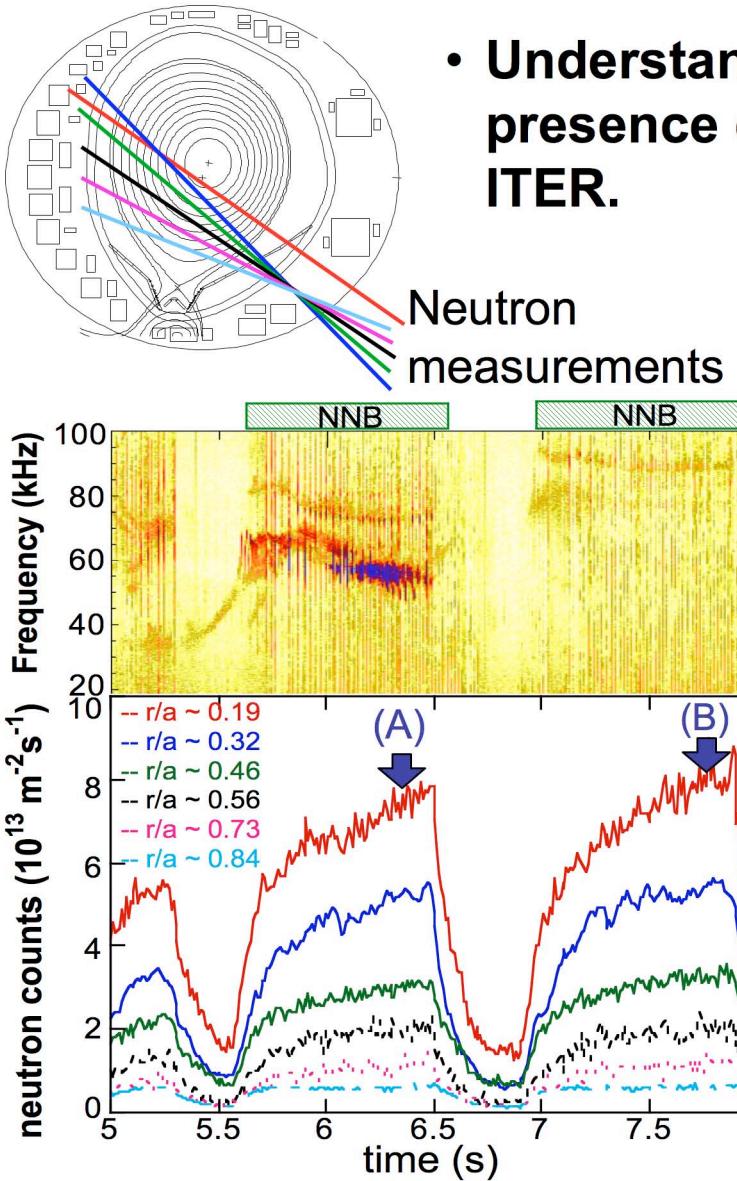
- 2/1 NTM is destabilized with the misalignment comparable to the island width.
- TOPICS simulation is well reproduced with the same set of coefficients of the modified Rutherford equation.



A. Isayama (EX/4-1Ra, Thu.)

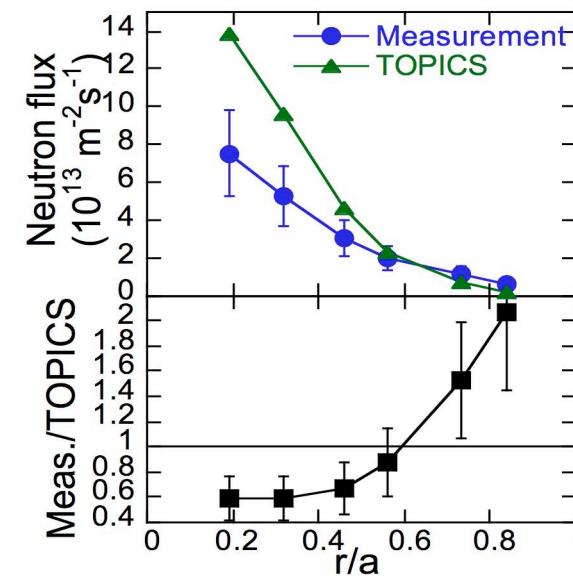
Energetic ions transported from core region due to AEs with moderate amplitude.

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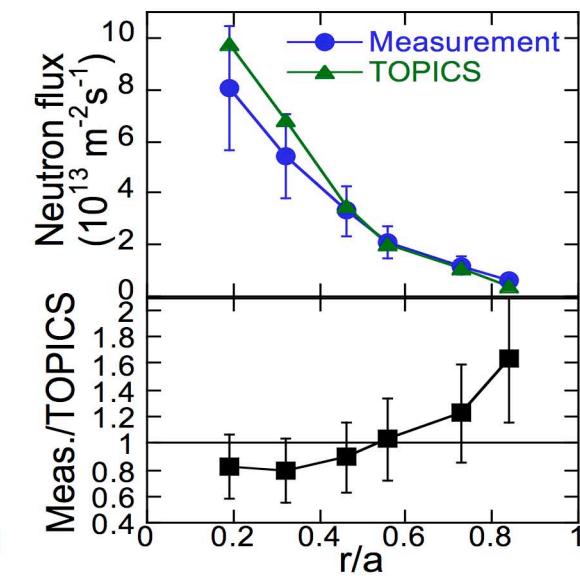


- Understanding of the alpha particle transport in the presence of AEs is one of the urgent research issues for ITER.
- The measured neutron yield is significantly smaller than the classical calculation during AEs with moderate amplitude in the central region.

(A) with AEs ($t=6.4\text{s}$)



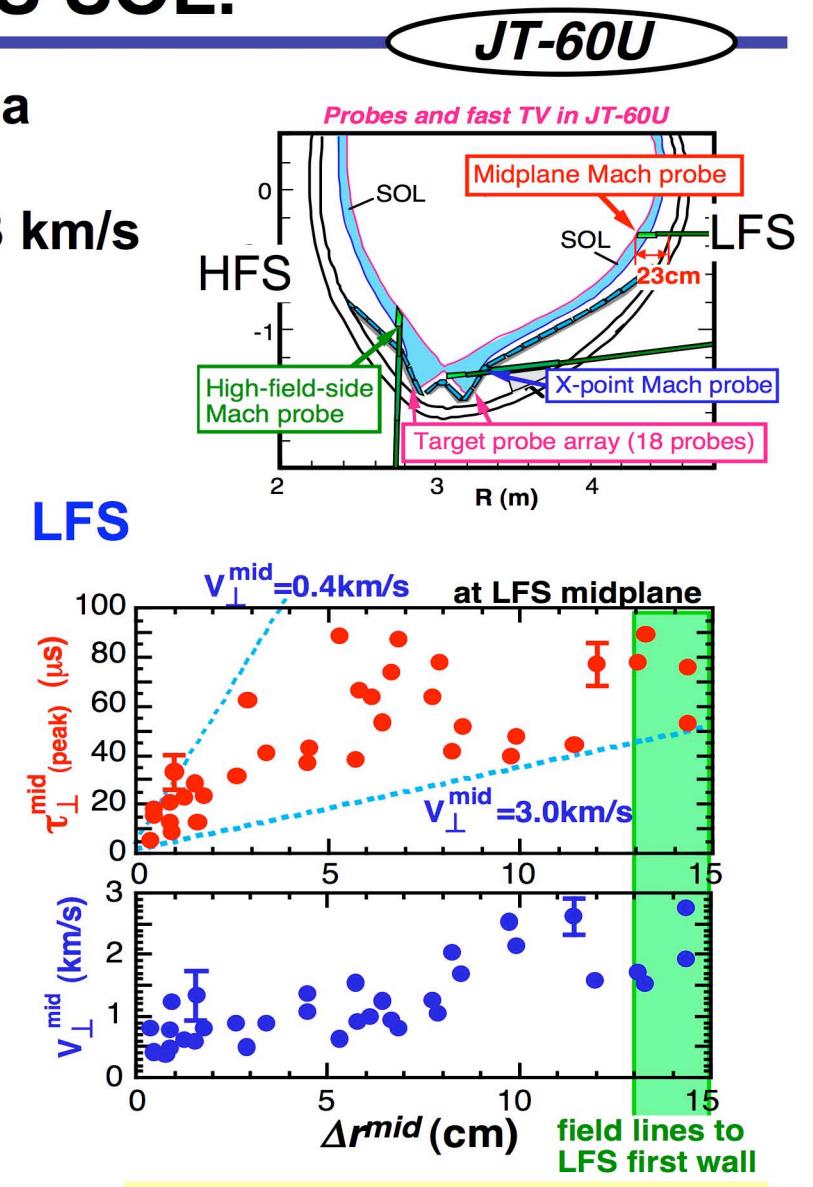
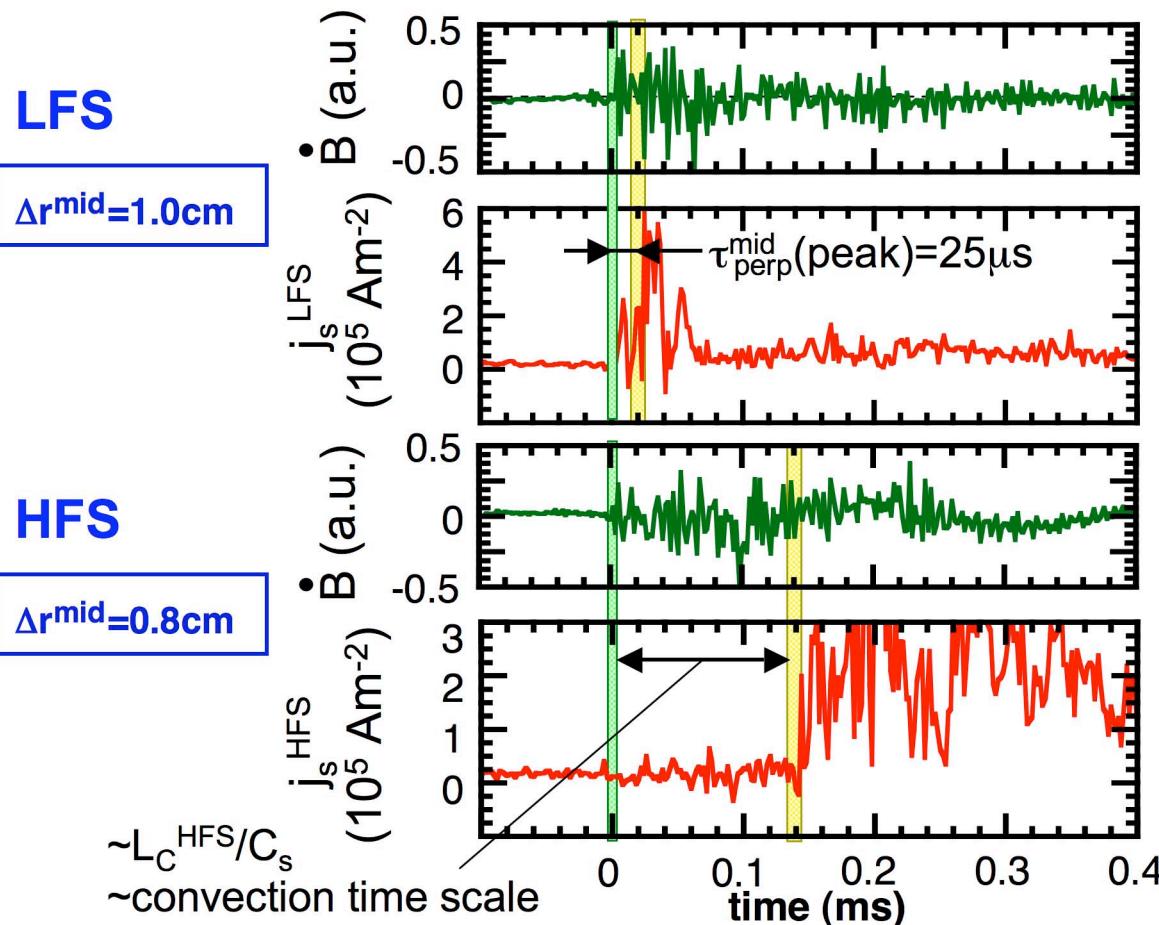
(B) with weak AEs ($t=7.8\text{s}$)



M. Ishikawa (EX/6-2, Thu.)

Non-diffusive ELM propagation is observed in LFS SOL, but not in HFS SOL.

- Transient heat and particle load to the plasma facing components (PFC) is a crucial issue.
- $V_{\text{perp}}^{\text{mid}}(\text{peak}) = 0.4\text{-}1.2 \text{ km/s}$ ($\Delta r^{\text{mid}} < 5 \text{ cm}$), $1.5\text{-}3 \text{ km/s}$ ($\Delta r^{\text{mid}} > 6 \text{ cm}$)



N. Asakura (EX/9-2, Fri.)

6. Summary

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The installation of FSTs enables to access new regimes.

- High β_N exceeding no wall ideal limit
 $\beta_N \sim 4.2$ (=ideal wall limit)
Small critical rotation of $V_C/V_A = 0.3\%$ and no increase of critical rotation velocity in high C_β regime for suppressing RWM
→ High β_N in ITER and DEMO
- Long sustainment of integrated performance
 $\beta_N HH_{98(y,2)} = 2.2$ for 23.1 s ($\sim 12\tau_R$) with $f_{BS} = 36-45\%$
→ ITER hybrid scenario
- Development of real time control methods for pressure profile control and current profile control.
→ intelligent control for the high f_{BS} plasmas in DEMO
- Progress in physics studies implicated for ITER.
NTM suppression, Energetic ions with AEs and ELM.
- JT-60SA (super advanced) design is optimized to support and supplement ITER toward DEMO. (M. Kikuchi, FT2-5, Fri.)

Presentations from JT-60U

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Mon. Long high β_N discharges
Bootstrap sustained discharges

Tue. ITB study in high β_p mode plasmas
High bootstrap discharges

Wed. FSTs effects on rotation & momentum transport

Thu. NTM suppression by ECCD
FSTs effects on pedestal and confinement
Energetic ions with AEs
Current profile control & off-axis current drive
Particle control under wall saturation
Hydrogen retention and carbon deposition
Radiation processes of impurities and hydrogen
ITB study in RS plasmas
Installation of FSTs

Fri. High β_N and RWM study
ELM propagation and fluctuation in SOL
Spontaneously excited waves near ICRF

Sat. High density limit with high li
NTM suppression by ECCD
High β_N and RWM study

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