Effects of Magnetic Shear and Toroidal Rotation Shear on Turbulence Spreading

Non-local response of plasma profiles to sources, mediated by turbulence spreading, degrade confinement in the heating region.

An unstable region with same conditions +

A damped region with different magnetic shear and external toroidal rotation shear ⇒ Effects on the nonlinear turbulence spreading and transport?

In the low magnetic shear cases of s<0.3:

- Turbulence spreading decreases due to the increase in time required for the requisite nonlinear interactions.
- Additional suppression of the spreading by rotation shear
- The reduction of heat flux is more prominent, compared to the high shear case.

⇒ The combined effect of low magnetic shear and high rotational shear is shown to promote locality, as well as stability.

