

First Principle Fluid Modelling of Neoclassical Tearing Modes and of their Control

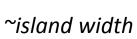




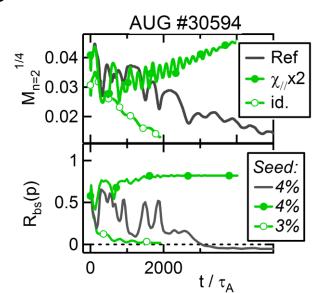


Drift-neoclassical model and insights on NTM drive

- Self-consistent fluid drift-neoclassical model implemented in the nonlinear MHD code XTOR
- Bootstrap and pressure perturbations not fully correlated [measure: R_{bs}(p)]
- Triggering of a (3,2) NTM obtained by increasing this correlation

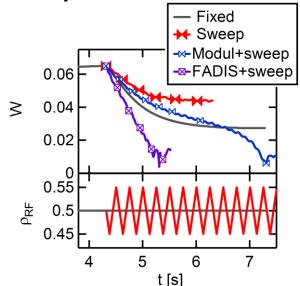


Correlation bootstrap & pressure



Strategies for island control

- RF current source & controller implemented in XTOR
- Radial sweeping mitigates misalignment risk for preemption and stabilization (TCV&AUG exp.)
- Modulation lowers final size for a broad RF current source
- Alternate modulation allowing nearly continuous O-point hitting (FADIS) reduces stabilization time



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