

Summary of WG (C)

Mode competition in turbulence and MHD driven by energetic particle

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Multiscale interaction and mode competition may be a key to clarify the mechanisms of the following phenomena.

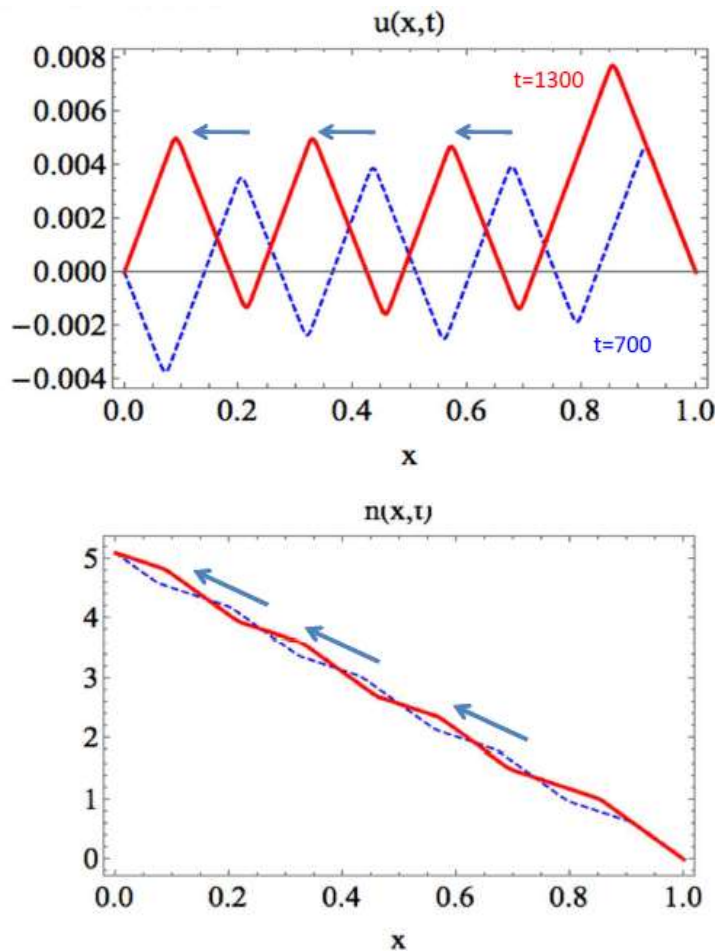
- Shortfall problem in transport
- Nonlocal transport
- Isotope effect
- Abrupt phenomena (Disruption, sawtooth, ALE,,,) :
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Physics of multiscale interaction has not been elucidated.
(C-OV1 P.H. Diamond in this conference)

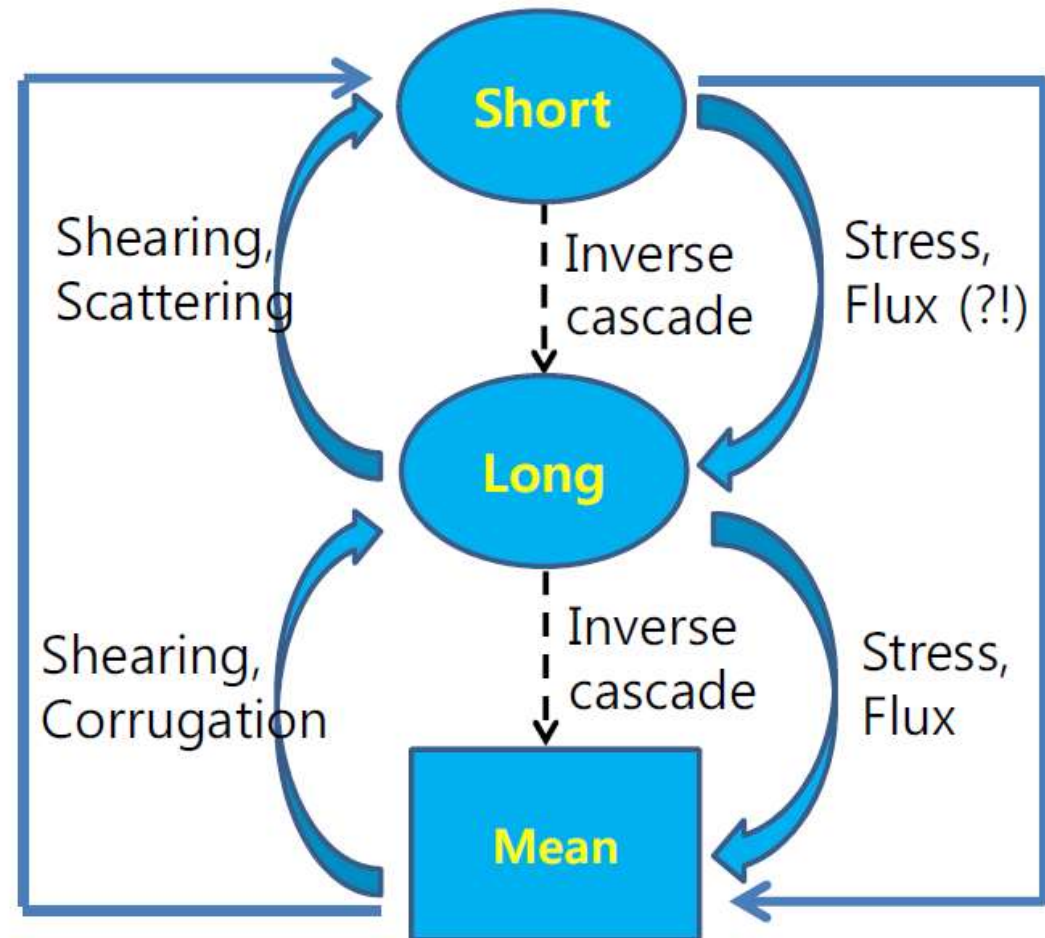
“Multi-scale physics still yield new questions for research”

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Dynamic staircase



Theory, reduced modeling is necessary for understanding large scale simulations.



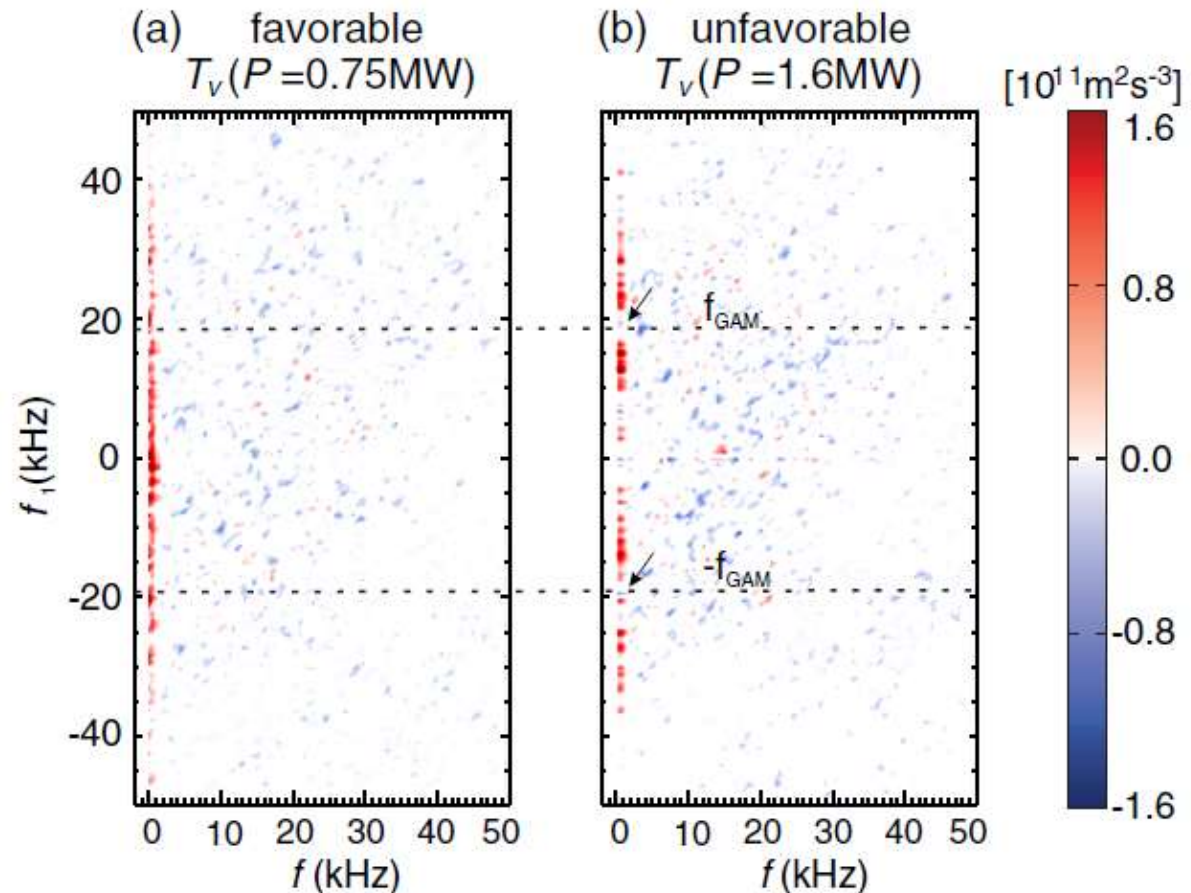
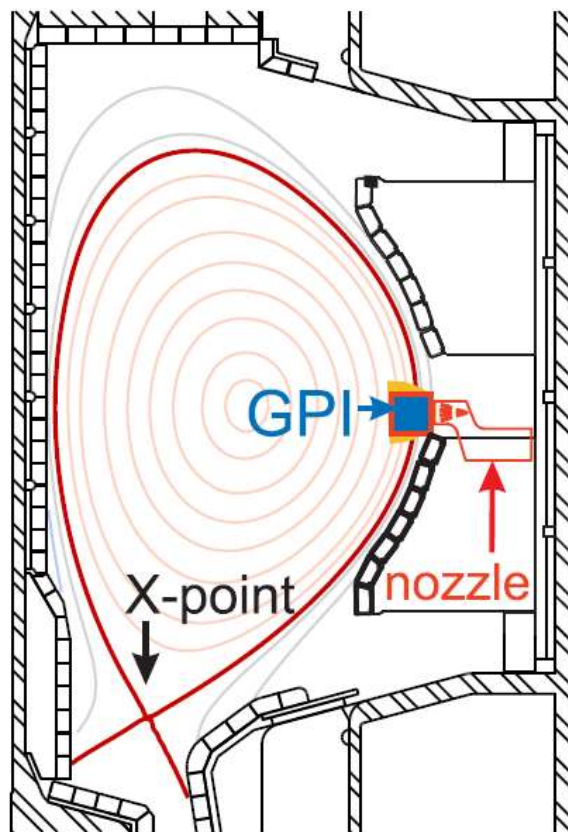
The Energy Transfer Function and 2D measurement reveal the GAM - ZF competition, quantitatively.

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Energy Transfer Function

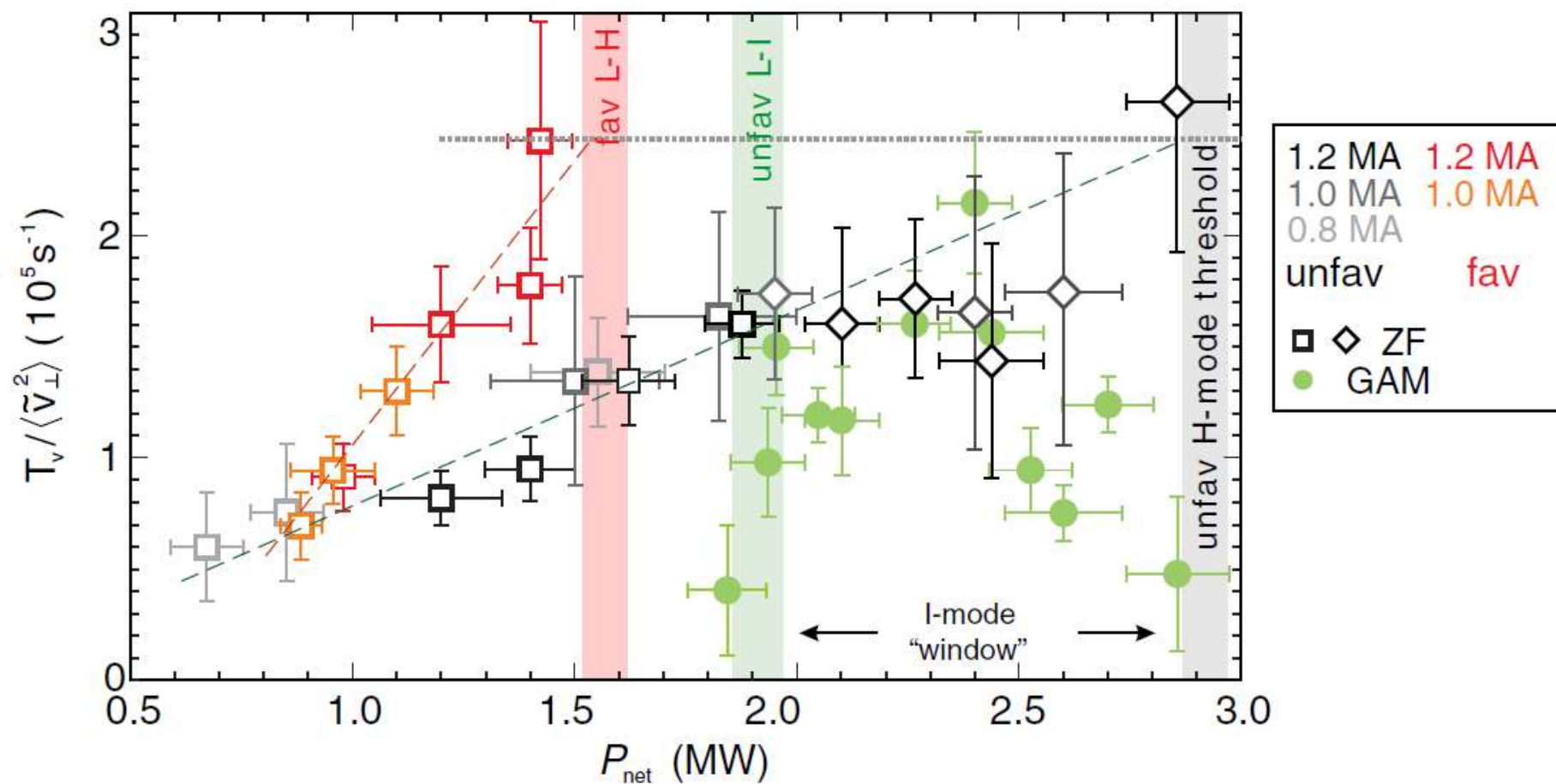
$$T_v(f) = \sum_{f_1=-f_N}^{f_N} T_v(f_1, f) = - \sum_{f_1=-f_N}^{f_N} \text{Re} \langle \bar{v}_f^\theta v_{f-f_1}^r \partial_r v_{f_1}^\theta \rangle$$

I. Cziegler, NF 55
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Analysis of entropy transfer rate quantitatively shows that the shearing model works for zonal flow excited in ITG turbulence in GK simulation.

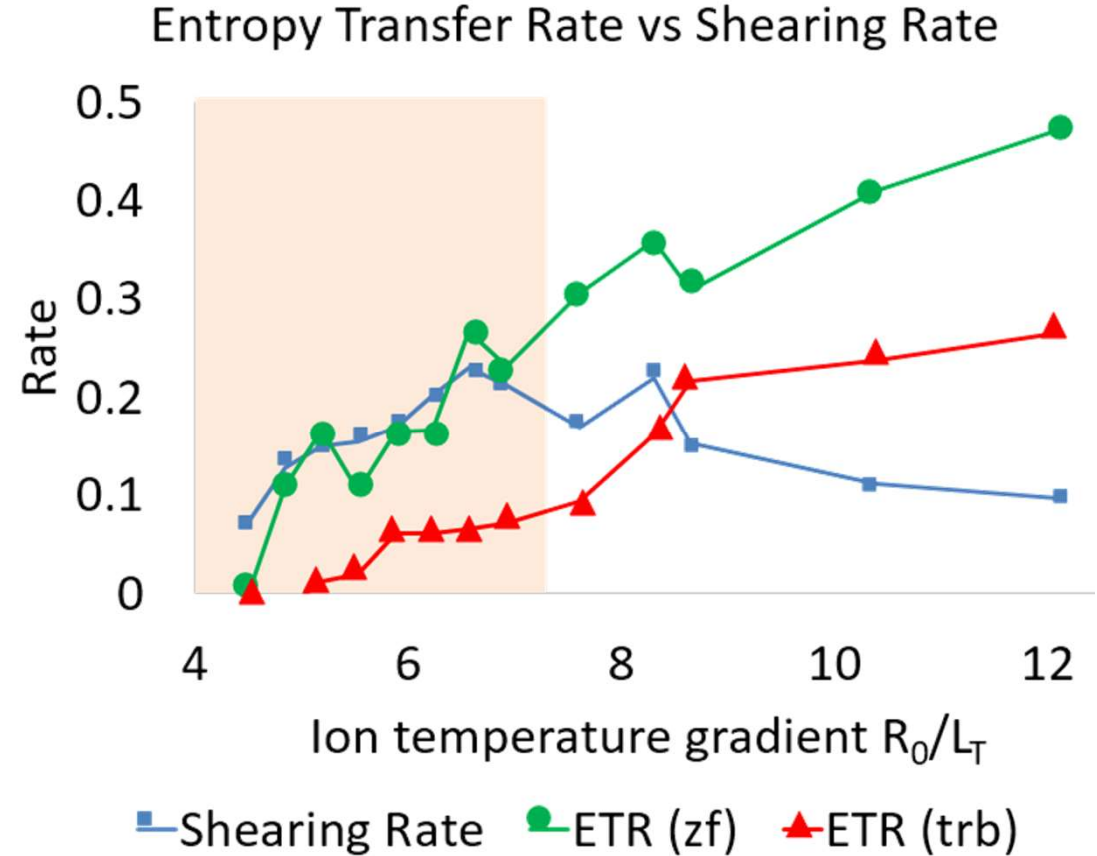
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Entropy Transfer Function

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_{k_{\perp}} &= \sum_{p_{\perp}} \sum_{q_{\perp}} \delta_{k_{\perp}+p_{\perp}+q_{\perp},0} J[k_{\perp}|p_{\perp}, q_{\perp}] \\
 &= \left[\left(\sum_{p_{\perp}} \sum_{q_{\perp}} \delta_{k_{\perp}+p_{\perp}+q_{\perp},0} J[k_{\perp}|p_{\perp}, q_{\perp}] \right) + \sum_{p_{\perp}} \sum_{q_{\perp}} \delta_{k_{\perp}+p_{\perp}+q_{\perp},0} J[k_{\perp}|p_{\perp}, q_{\perp}] \right] \\
 &= T_{k_{\perp}}(zf) + T_{k_{\perp}}(trb)
 \end{aligned}$$

Entropy Transfer Rate

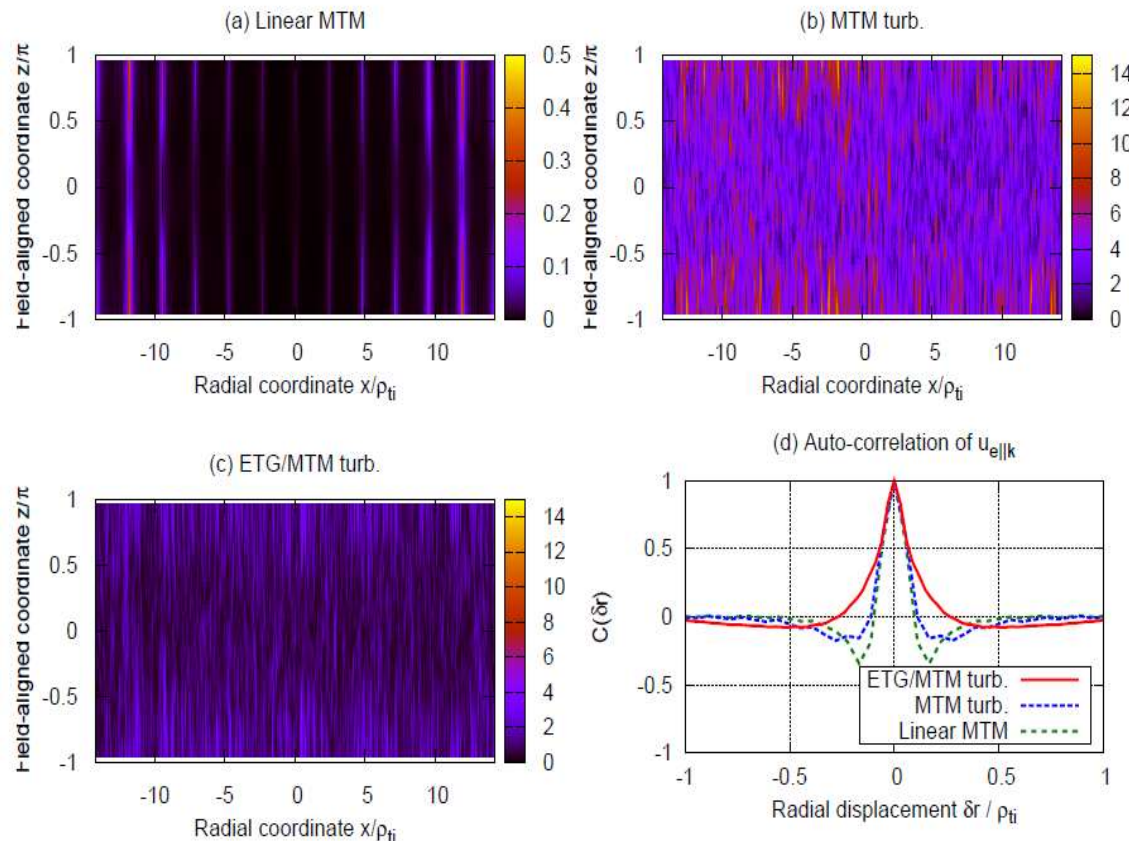
$$\begin{aligned}
 E_{k_{\perp}} &= T_{k_{\perp}}/S_{k_{\perp}} \\
 &= T_{k_{\perp}}(zf)/S_{k_{\perp}} + T_{k_{\perp}}(trb)/S_{k_{\perp}} \\
 &= E_{zf} + E_{trb}
 \end{aligned}$$



Multi-scale (Full-k) simulation reveals that short-wave-length ETG turbulence can suppresses long-wave-length MTM.

S. Maeyama, 26th IAEA Fusion Energy Conference (2016)TH/P2-1

Electron parallel current structures



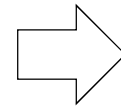
- Radially-localized current sheet of MTM is destroyed by ETG.
- Triad transfer analysis confirms that perturbed entropy of MTM (especially having high- k_x) is transferred to finer modes via the coupling with ETG.

Energetic particle-driven mode (EGAM) traps and transfers turbulence.

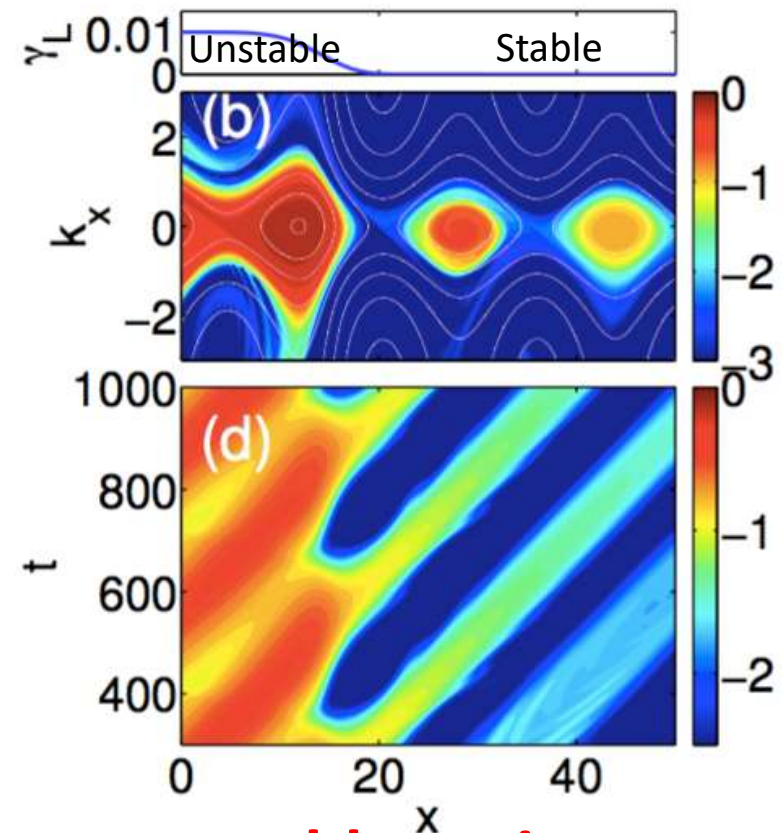
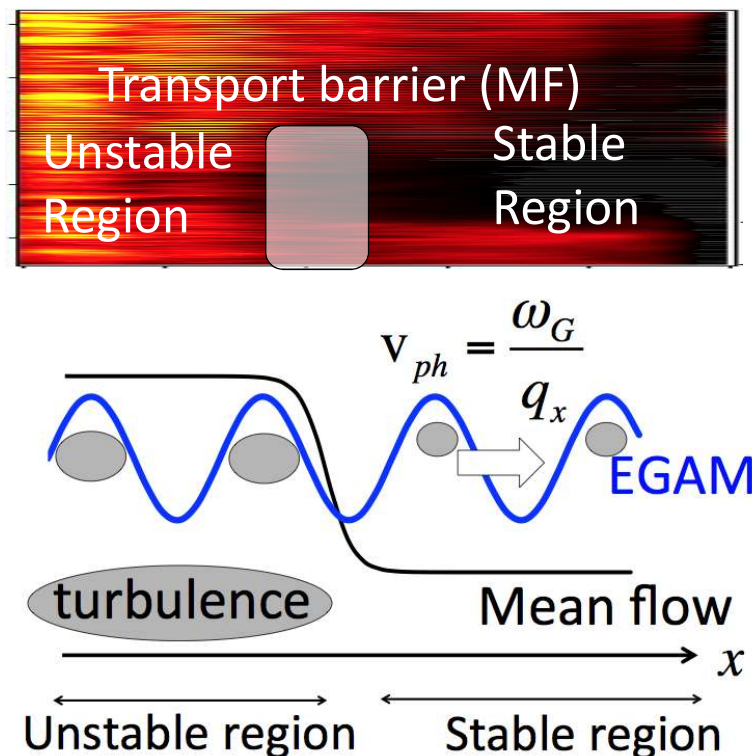
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Dynamics of turbulence
in wavenumber-space is studied.



EGAM traps turbulence

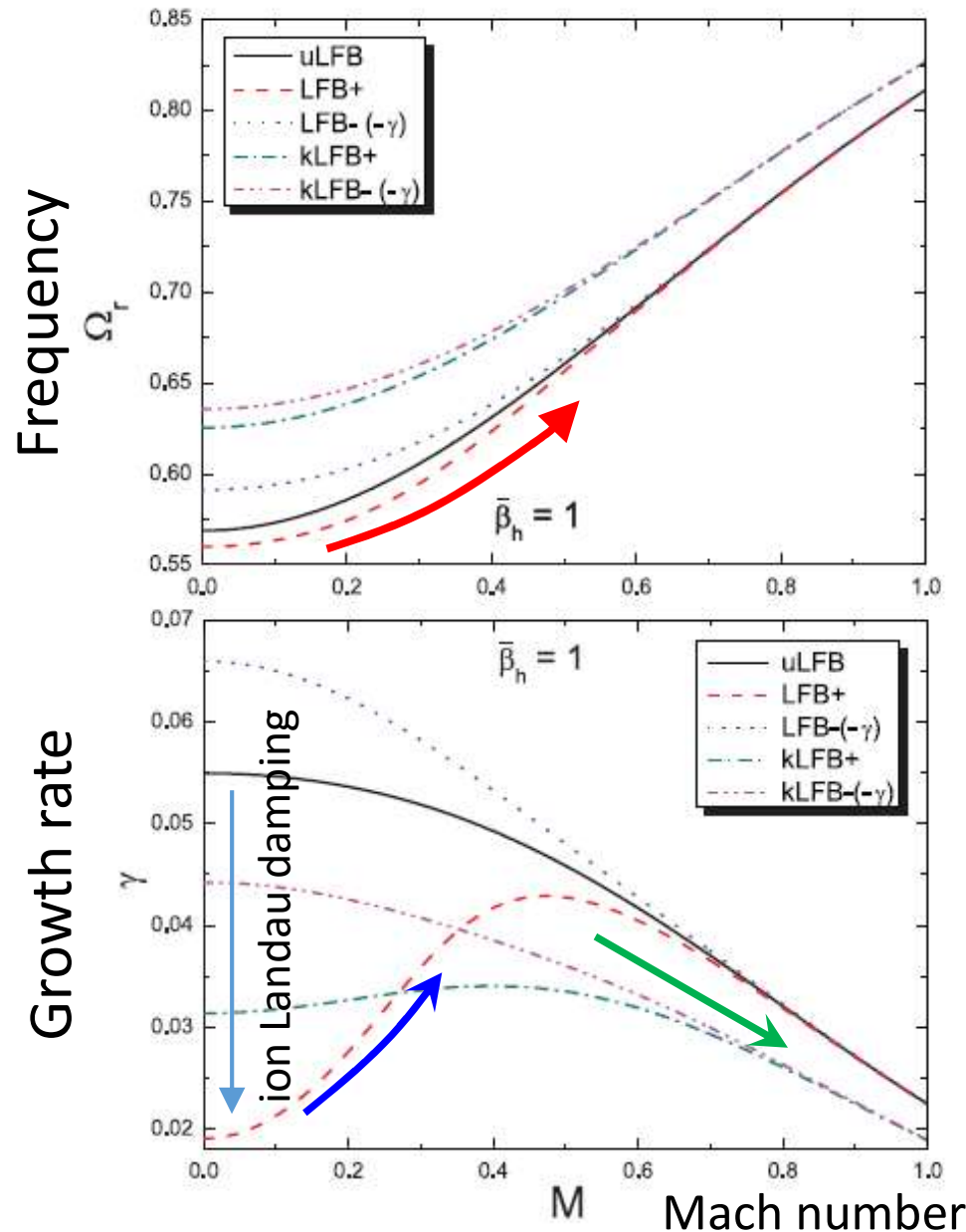


**EGAM carries clumps of turbulence to stable region
even across transport barrier!**

Effects of toroidal rotation on EGAM have been investigated.

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H. Ren, Nucl. Fusion **57**, 016023 (2017)



The toroidal Mach number
increase Ω_r , and

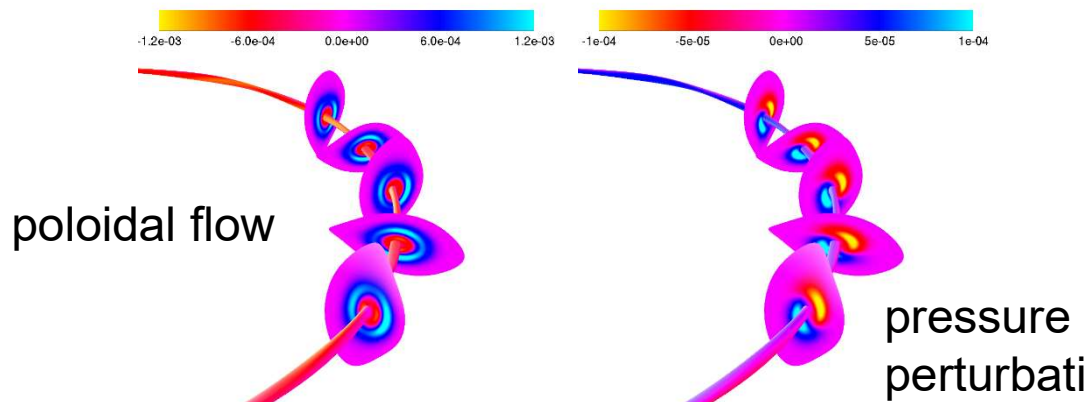
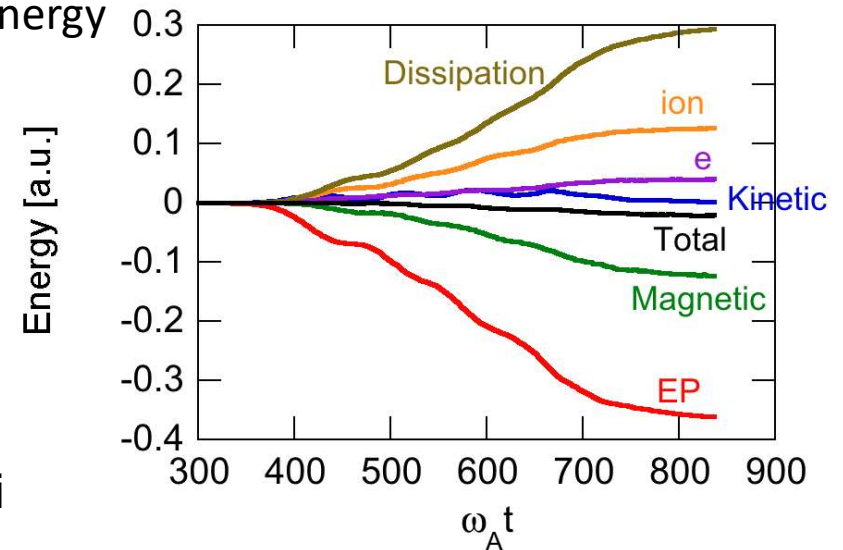
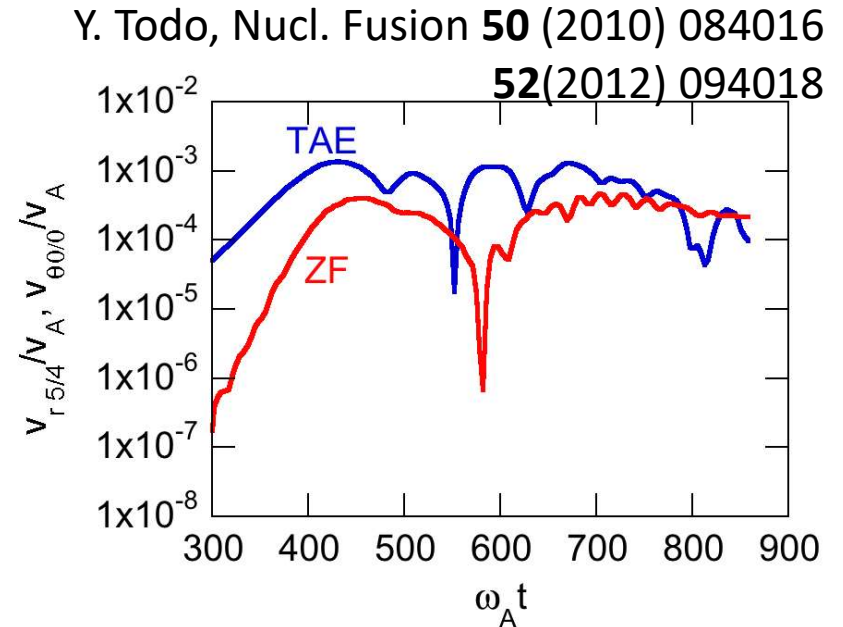
enlarges the growth rate
when $\Omega_r < \Omega_{cri}$, and
decreases the growth rate
when $\Omega_r > \Omega_{cri}$.

Interplay among TAEs and Zonal flow has been observed by a new hybrid simulation.

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Todo

- A new hybrid simulation model
 - PIC: energetic particles + thermal ions
 - coupled with an extended MHD model
- Interplay among two TAEs and ZF
 - ZF grows two times faster than the TAE
- Energy transfer takes place:
EP → TAEs → thermal ion
- EGAM in LHD

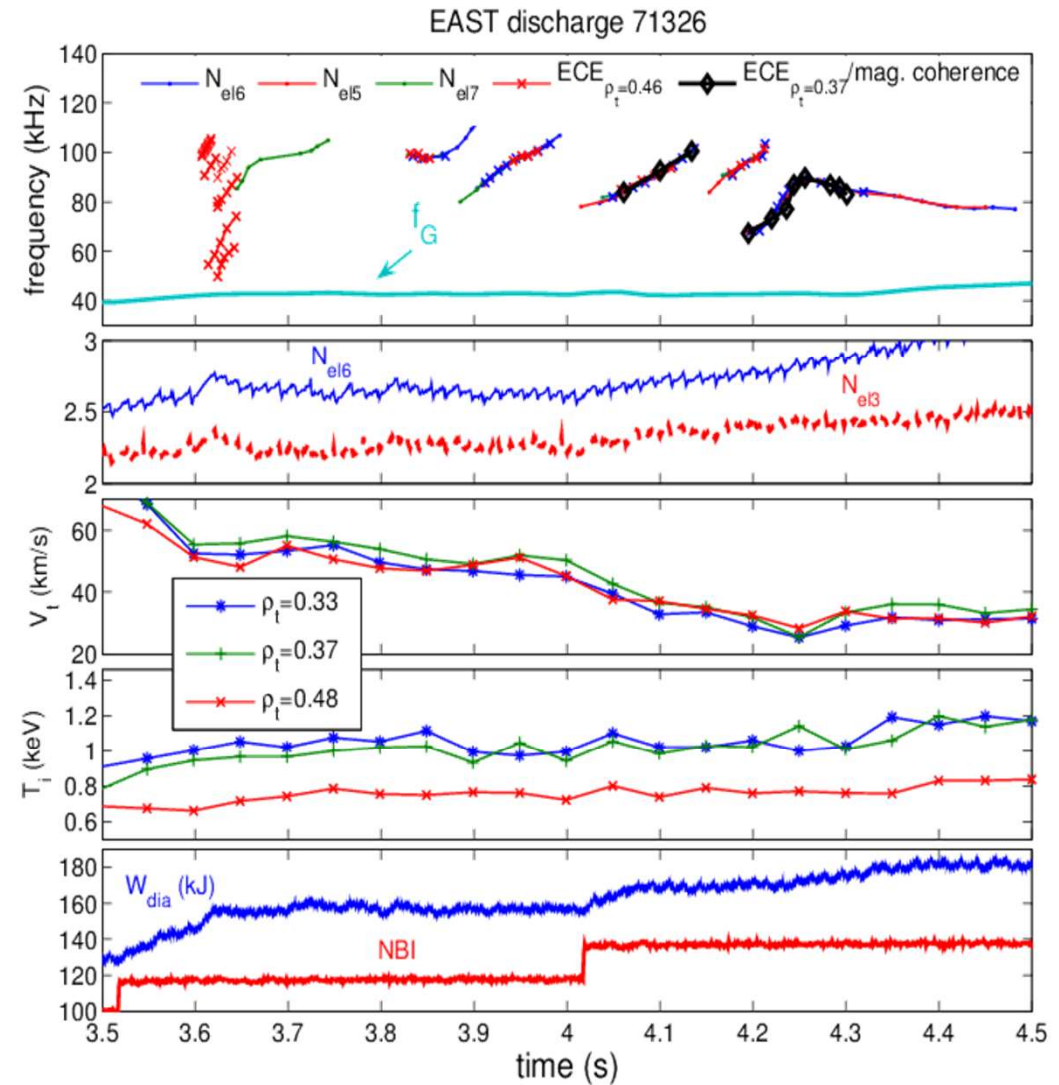
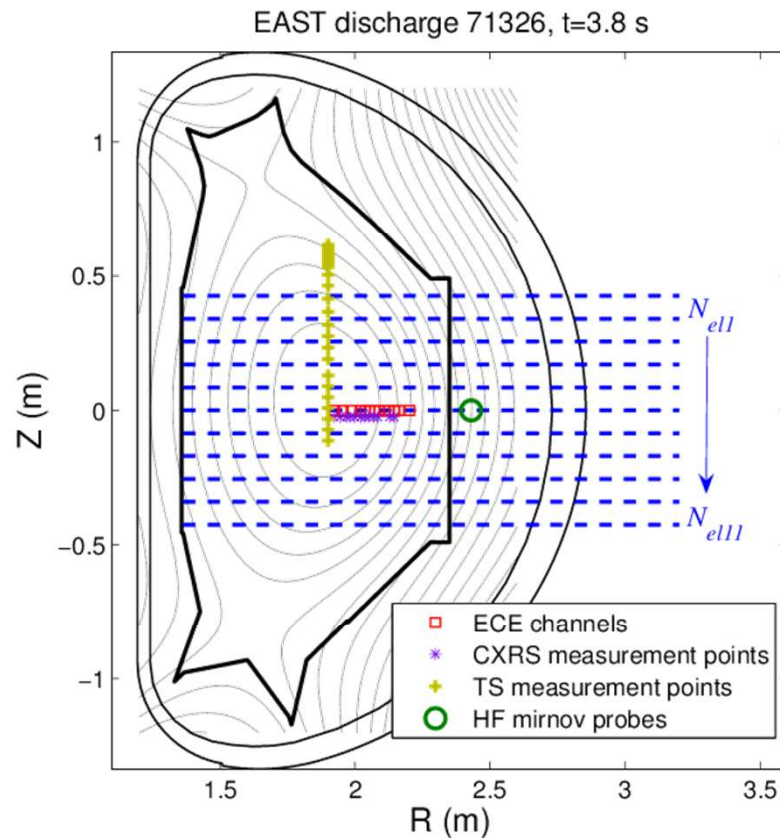
H. Wang, 26th IAEA Fusion Energy Conference (2016)TH/P4-11



RSAE has been observed in EAST tokamak.

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RSAE is practically important to estimate q_0 for tokamak operation.

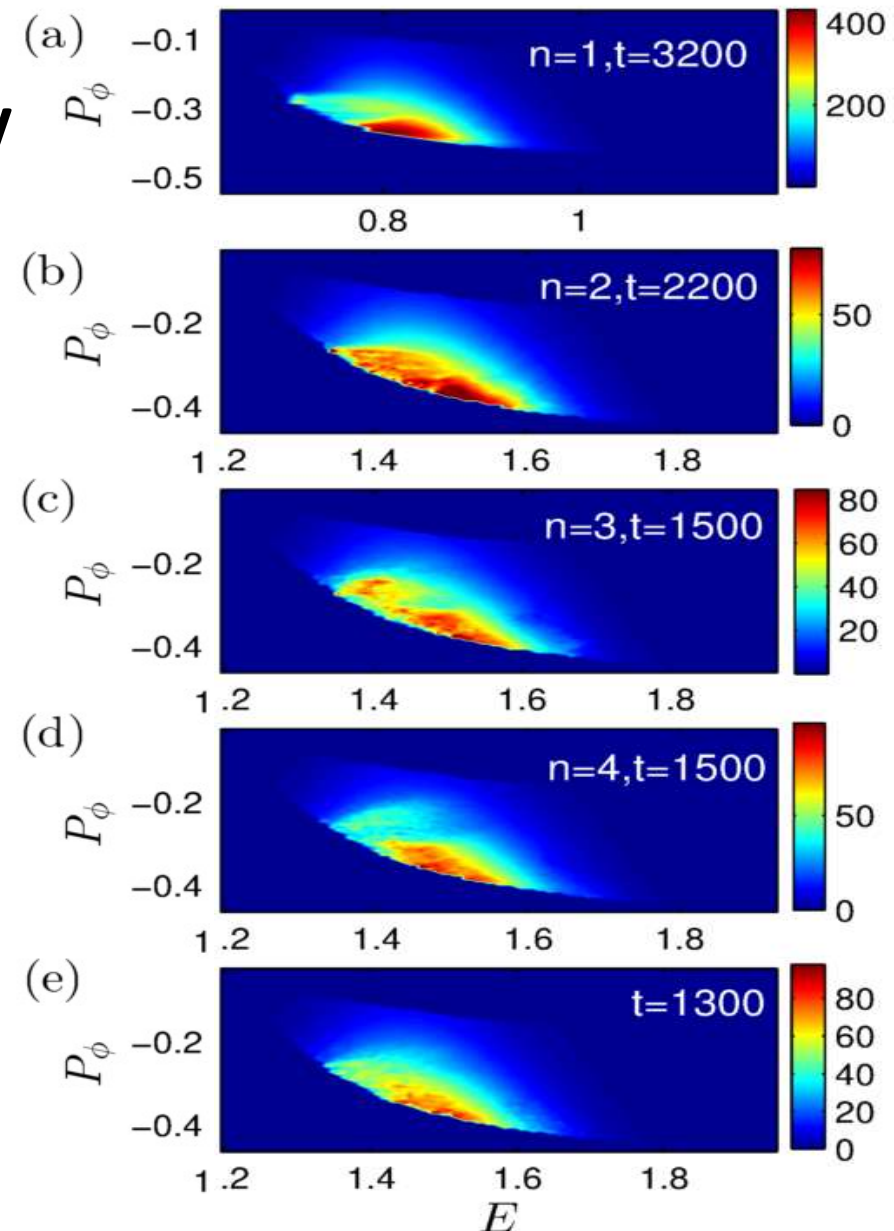


They are planning to install reflectometry for core region.

Energetic particle-driven modes in $q = 1$ region with the weak shear have been investigated by nonlinear simulation.

■ Nonlinear results:

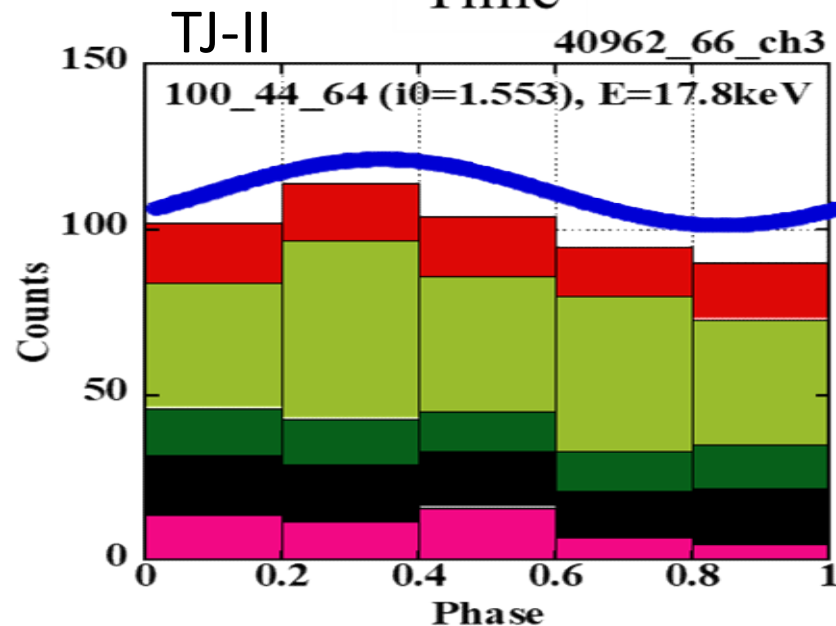
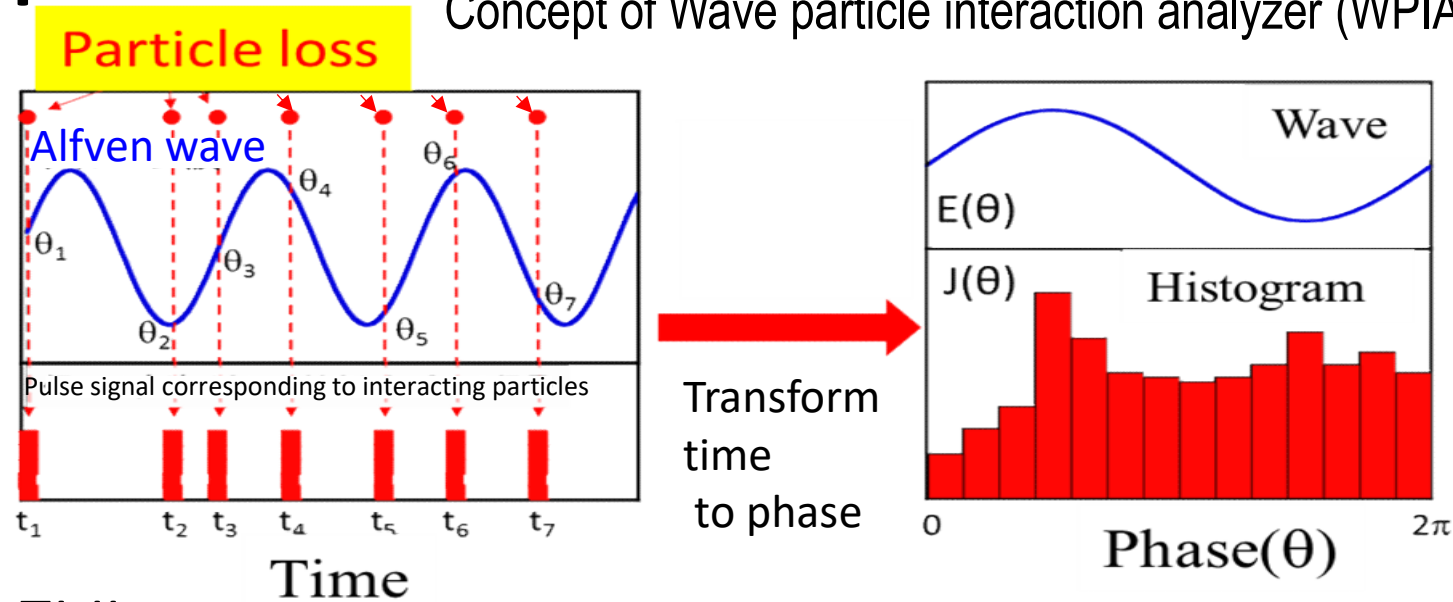
- The fluid nonlinearity reduces the saturation level of the $n=1$ component, while it hardly affects high n components.
- The flattening region of energetic particle distribution due to high-order harmonics excitation is wider than that due to $n=1$ component, although the $n=1$ component has higher saturation amplitude.



Wave-particle interaction analyzer is being developed.

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Concept of Wave particle interaction analyzer (WPIA)

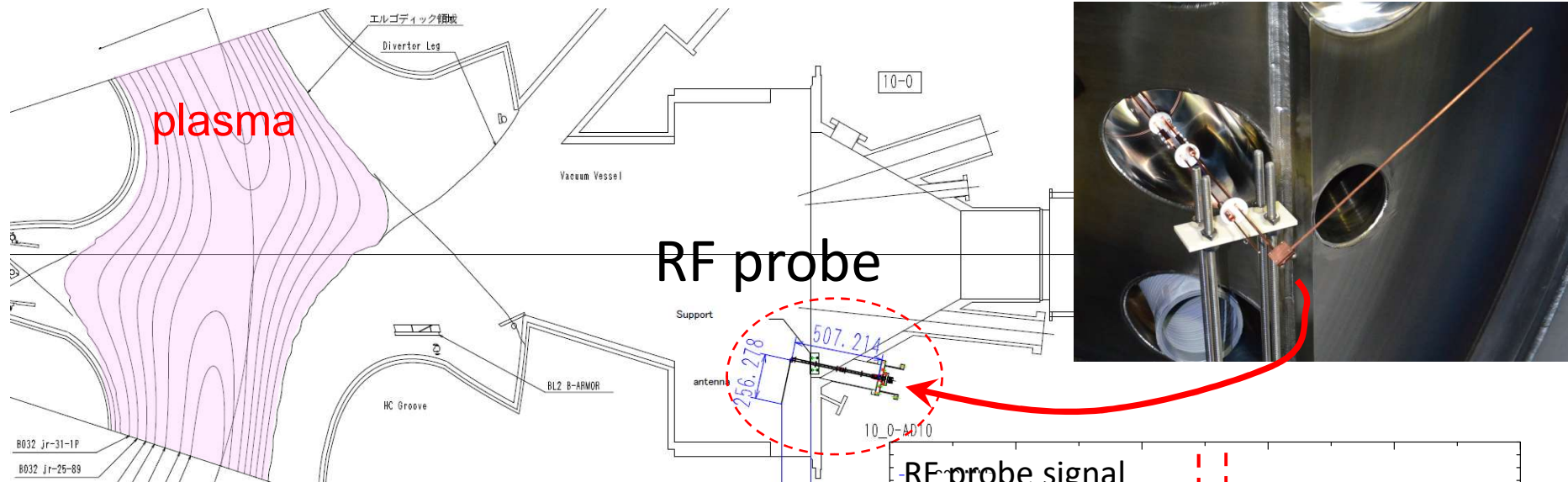


Response of energy distribution function to Alfven eigenmode will be measured.

Preliminary results were obtained in LHD, Heliotron J and TJ-II .

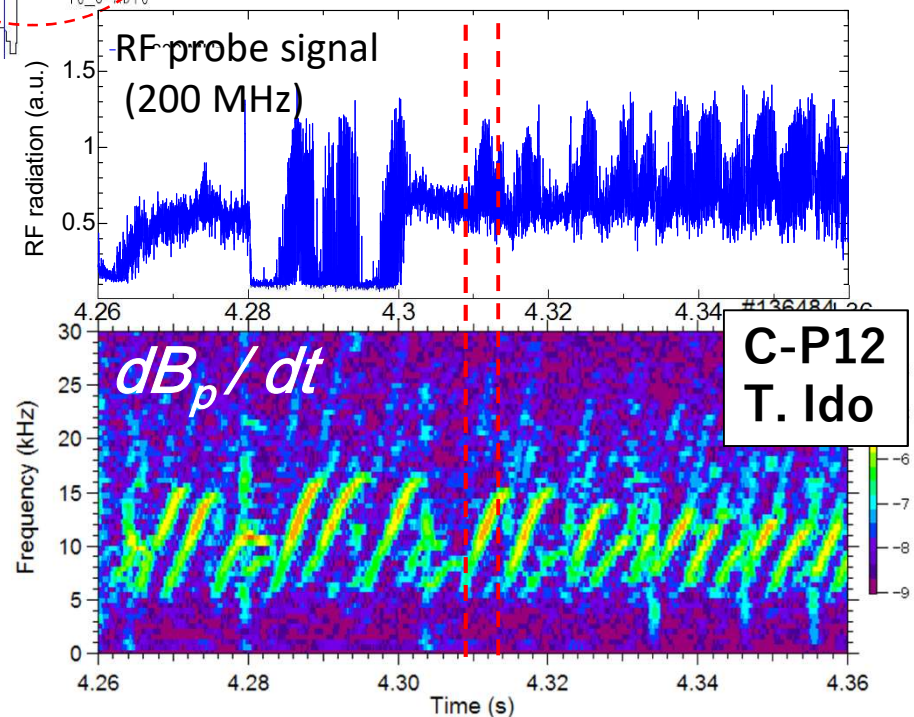
RF radiation detectors are installed in LHD as an indicator of fast ion losses or redistribution.

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Simple system and easy installation

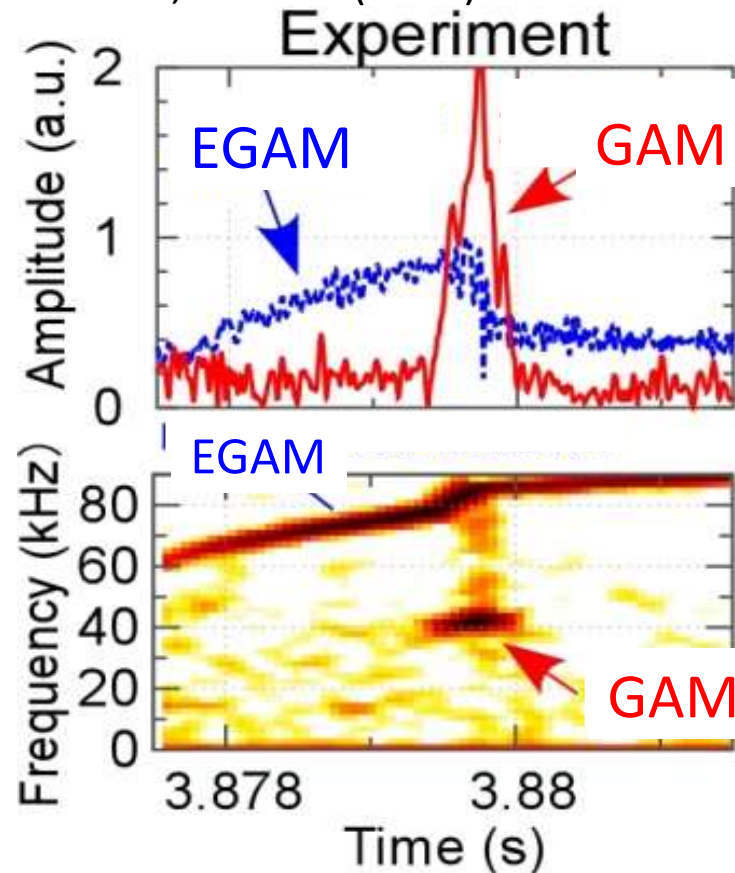
- New mode with a chirp-up frequency are observed near the edge region. (Acoustic mode?)
- Amplitude around 200 MHz increases intermittently during the chirp-up. These behaviors would suggest fast ion losses.



Interaction between phenomena with slow time scale and fast time scale is important.

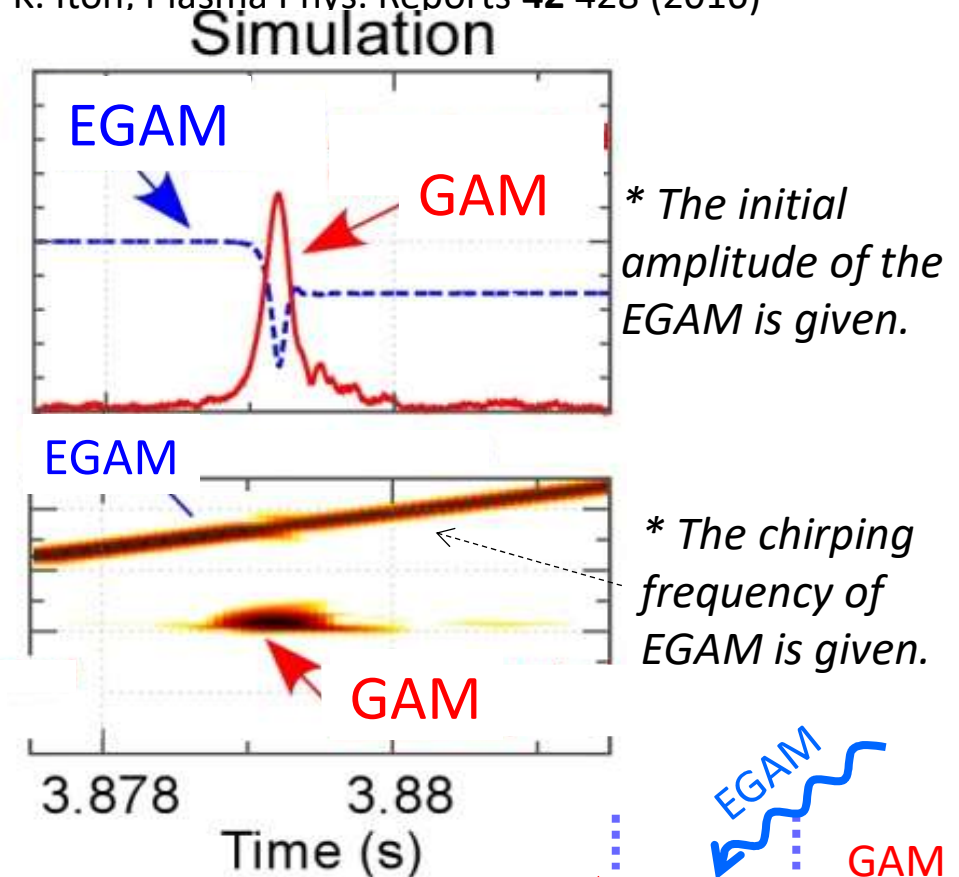
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T. Ido, PRL **116**, 015002 (2016).



M. Lesur, PRL **116**, 015003 (2016).

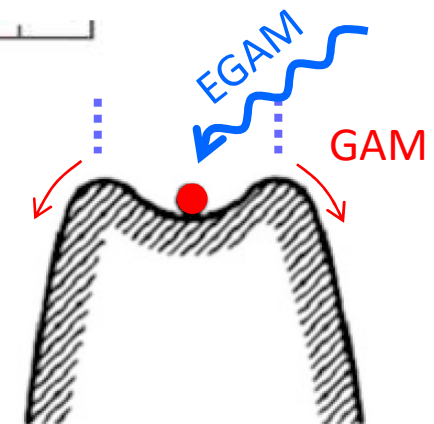
K. Itoh, Plasma Phys. Reports **42** 428 (2016)



The GAM is triggered by the EGAM through parametric coupling.



Once the amplitude of the GAM exceeds a threshold, kinetic nonlinearity and fluid mode coupling make the GAM unstable.
(**subcritical instability**)

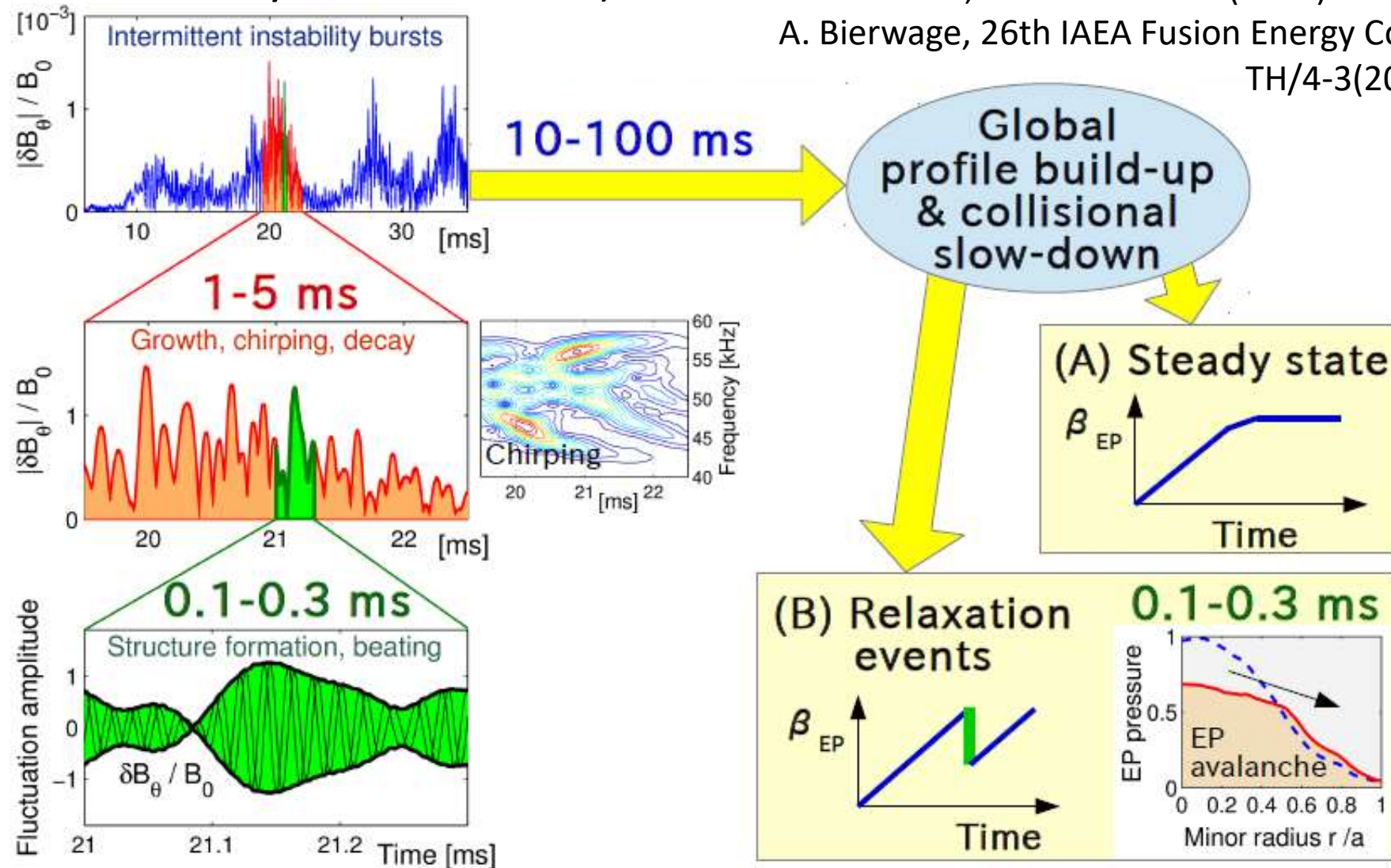


Abrupt event has been simulated by a hybrid code MEGA with multi phase method .

(interlaced 4ms intervals of fast classical Monte-Carlo simulation + 1ms of slow hybrid simulation)

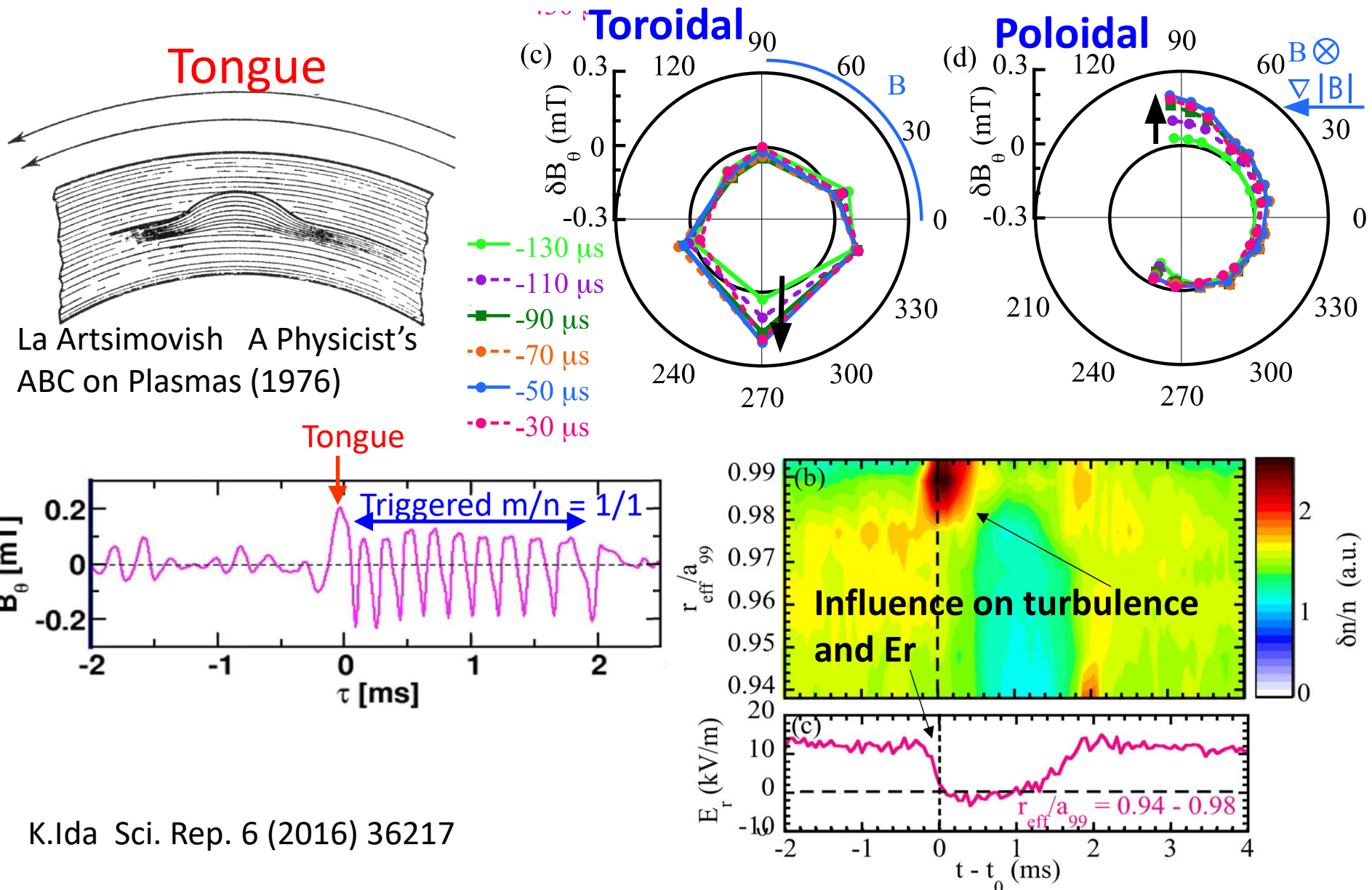
Y. Todo, Nucl. Fusion 54 (2014) 104012

A. Bierwage, 26th IAEA Fusion Energy Conf., TH/4-3(2016)



A “tongue” structure has been observed. (Poloidally and toroidally localized perturbation)

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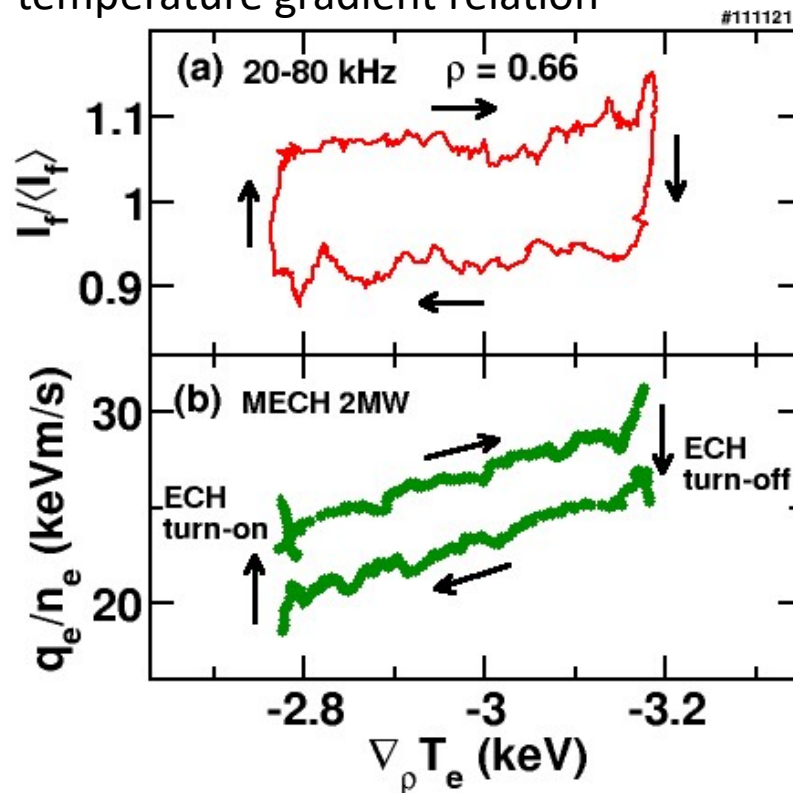


Heating directly drives turbulence.

The mechanism may explain an aspect of the **isotope effect** on plasma confinement.

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S.-I. Itoh

Hysteresis in heat flux and temperature gradient relation



S. Inagaki, et al., Nucl. Fusion
53 (2013) 113006

S.-I. Itoh and K. Itoh, Sci. Rep. 2 (2012) 860

$$I = \frac{1}{1 - \Gamma_h} I_0$$

$$\Gamma_h = \gamma_h \chi_0^{-1} k_{\perp}^{-2}$$

represents the competition
between drive by heating
and decay by background
turbulence.

If $\chi_0 \propto A^{0.5}$ (GyroBohm),

$$\Gamma_h \propto A^{-0.5}$$

S.-I. Itoh and K. Itoh, Nucl.
Fusion **57** (2017) 022003