## XP 805, Initial Summary Stefan Gerhardt

Results last year showed an asymmetric response (rotation, pulse length) to an applied n=3 field  $\rightarrow$  n=3 error field present in NSTX

....SO....

- Establish a reproducible target.
- Scan the n=2 error field phase at two different levels of applied field. Look for variation in pulse length and rotation (2\*6+References=15 shots).
- Optimize the correction magnitude for rotation sustainment and (hopefully) pulse length.

## The Reference Shot Was Not Reproducible



Controlled quantities are similar, but rotation evolution very different This is just the fiducial!

## Early MHD Clouded Results

Shot Type 1 (7 instances of 22)

Shot 127397, n= 2 3 4 80 60 Frequency (kHz) 40 20 0.2 0.4 0.6 8.0 1.0 1.2 Time (s) 127389 127391 127392 127394 127395 127400 127401 127406 Rotation130 Rotation at 130cm ٥Ē 0.0 0.2 0.4 0.8 1.0 1.2 0.6 time (sec)

Most H-modes at 120 msec

Shot Type 2 (7 instance of 22)



Most H-modes at 145 msec

## Nevertheless, Some Evidence of Asymmetrix Response



•Reload of this shot failed on the current ramp.

•Previous n=3 experiments done later in run, post-lithium...much more reproducible.

•That was NOT an RT EFIT shot, which is why we switched to the fiducial reference.

•Machine got worse during the week...similar shots ran very poorly for S. Sabbagh on Thursday.