

Measurement of residual turbulence in ITBs and explaining high-k bursts

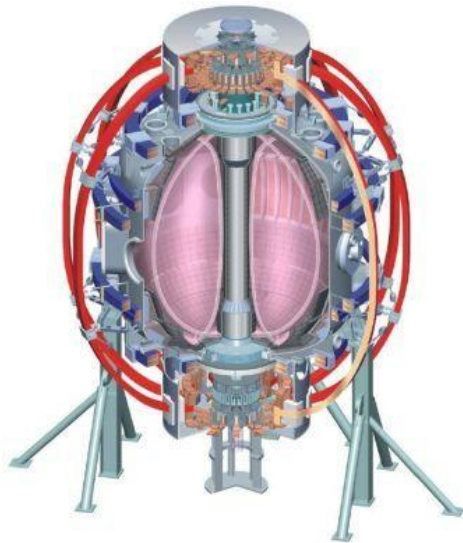
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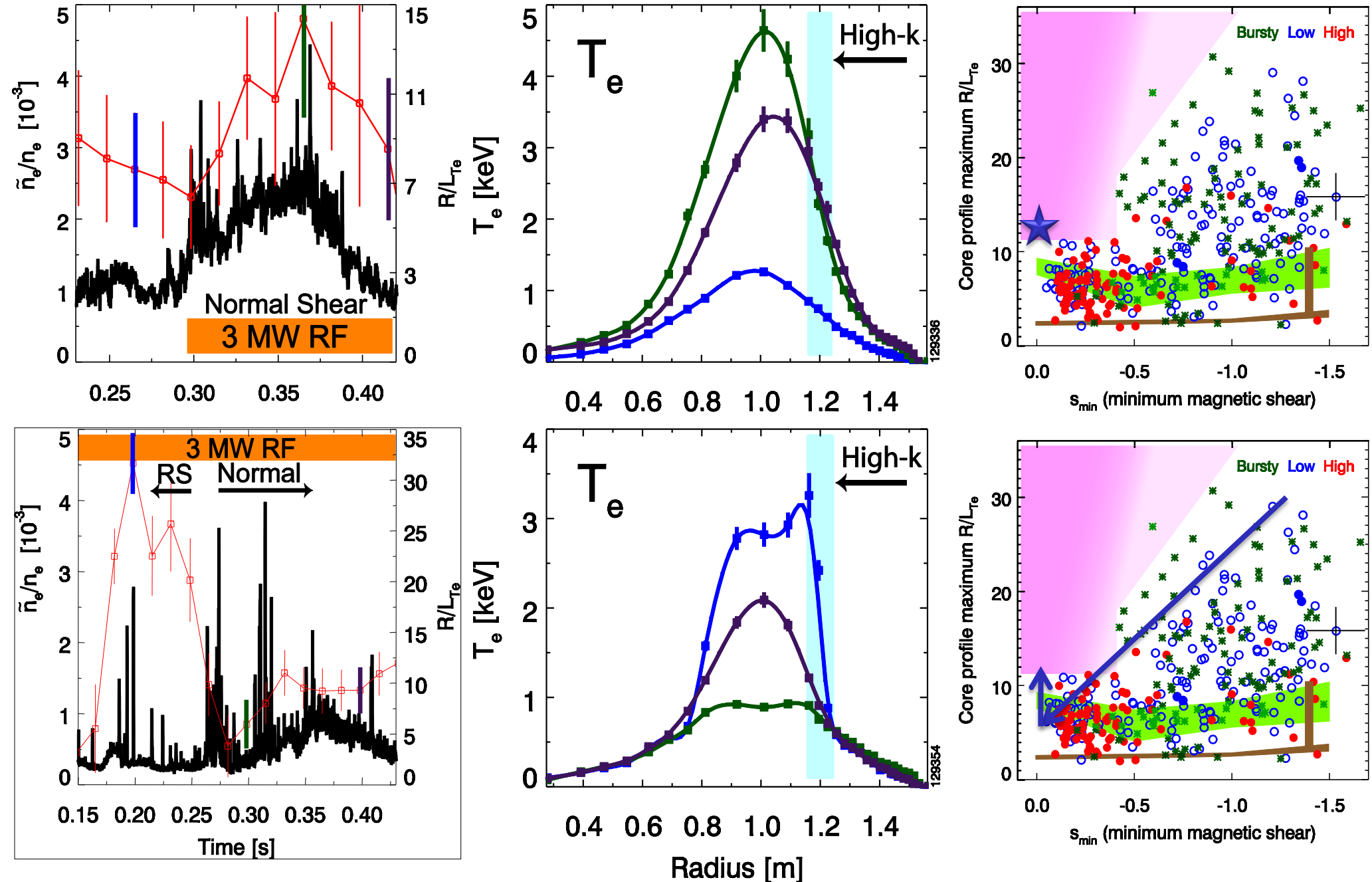
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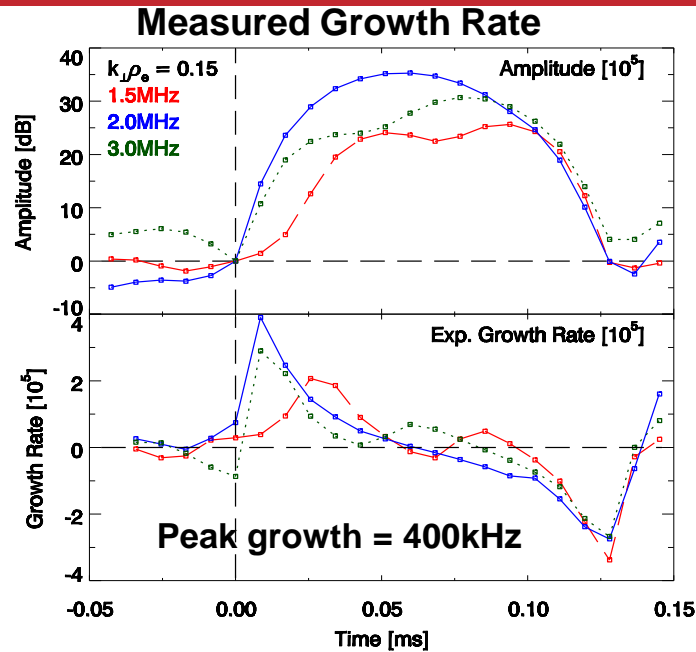
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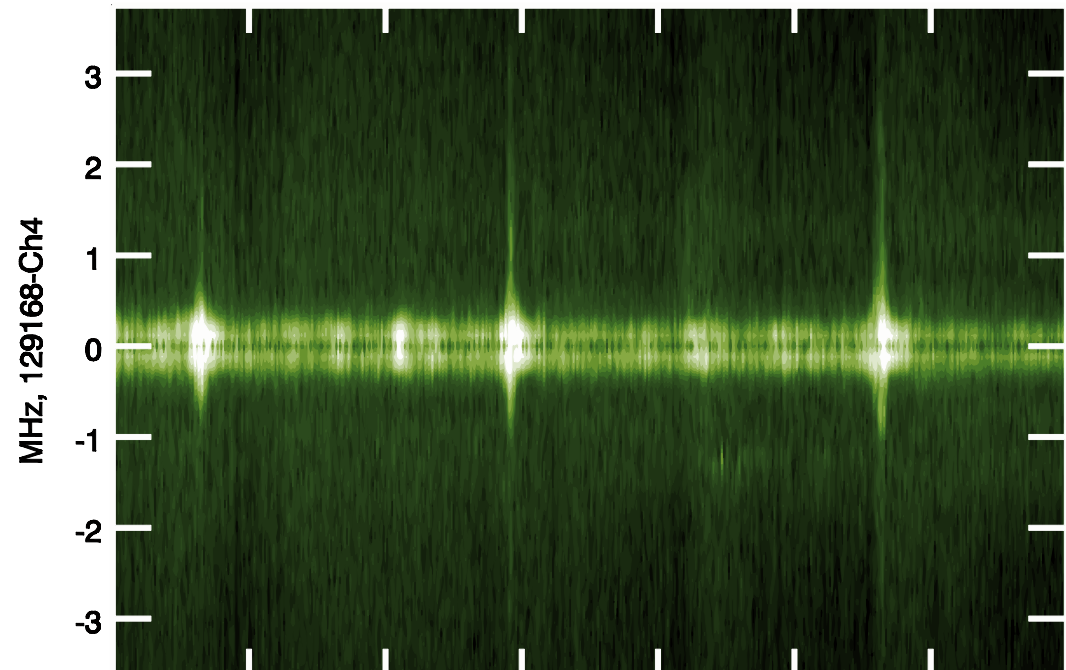
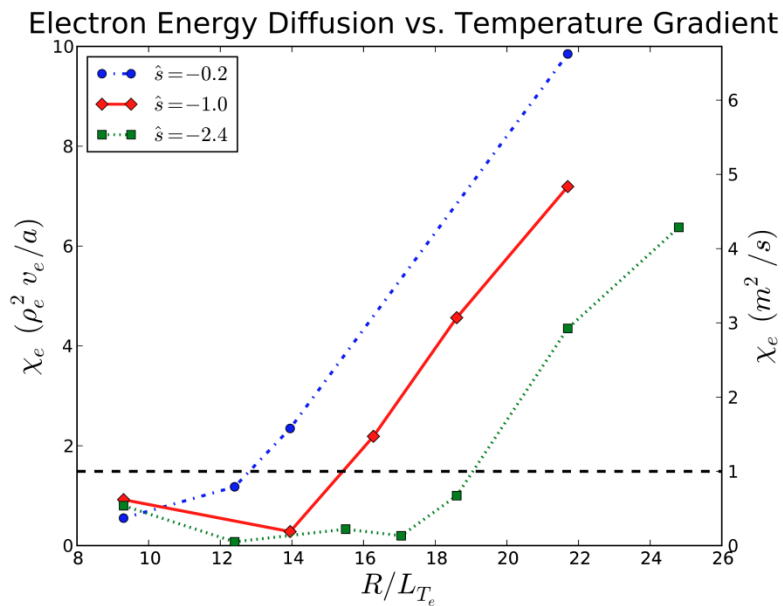
Continuous high amplitude fluctuations limit T_e gradients under normal shear, bursts limit e-ITB



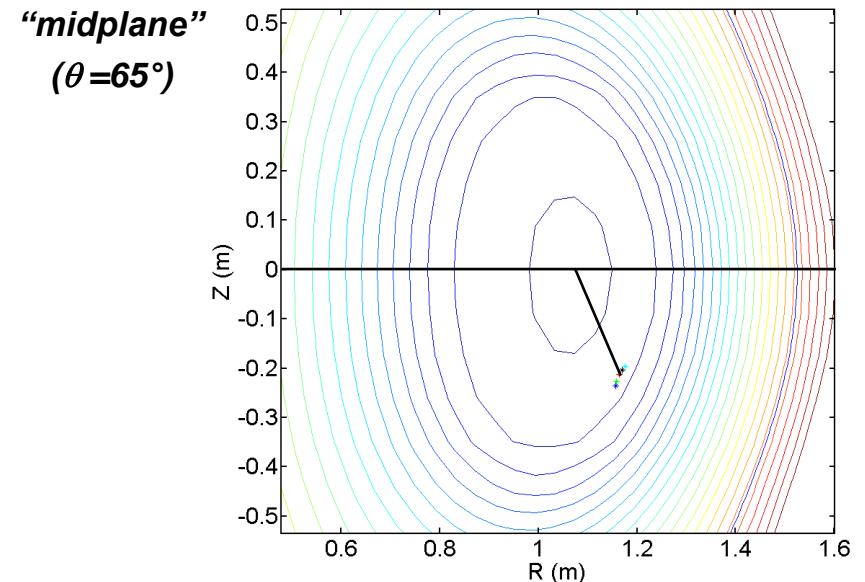
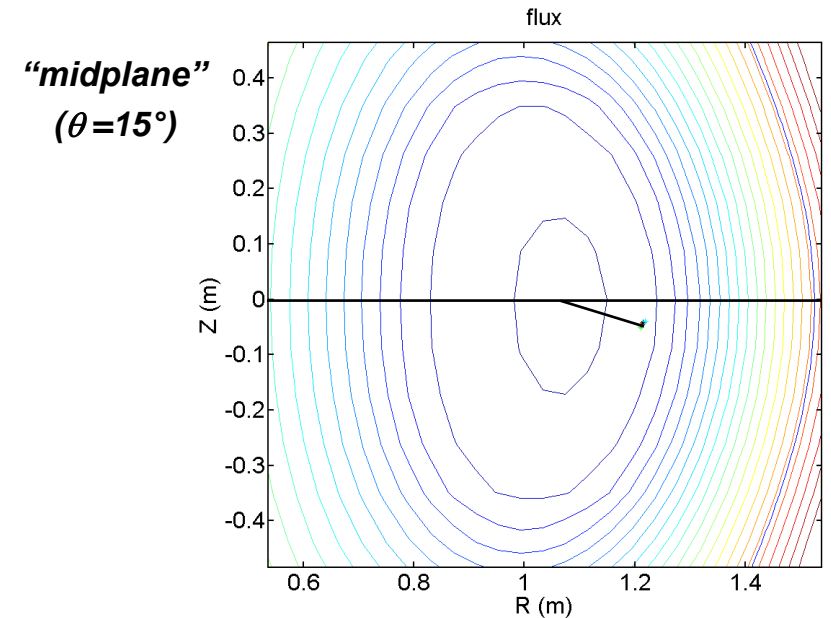
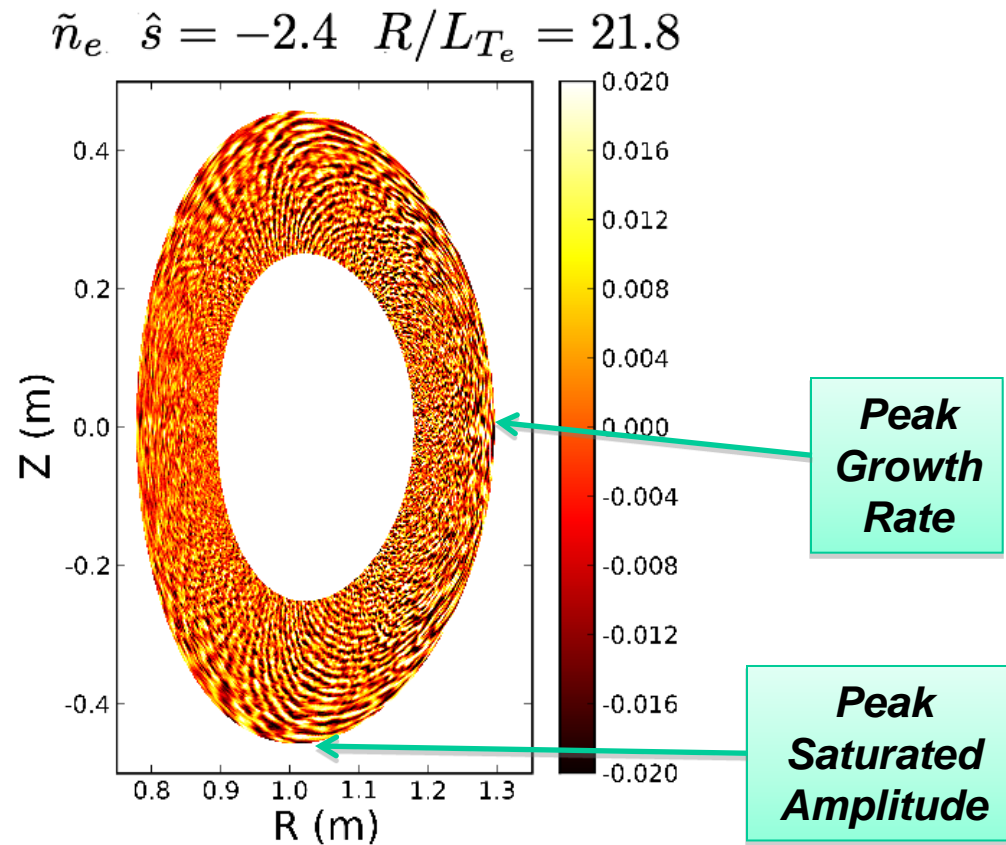
ETG bursts persist even under strong reverse shear at elevated R/L_{Te}



- e-ITBs appear to be limited at a non-linearly upshifted critical gradient
- ETG turbulence structure is simulated to have a strong
- High-k mirrors can be steered to view well below midplane, at approx. 60 deg poloidal angle

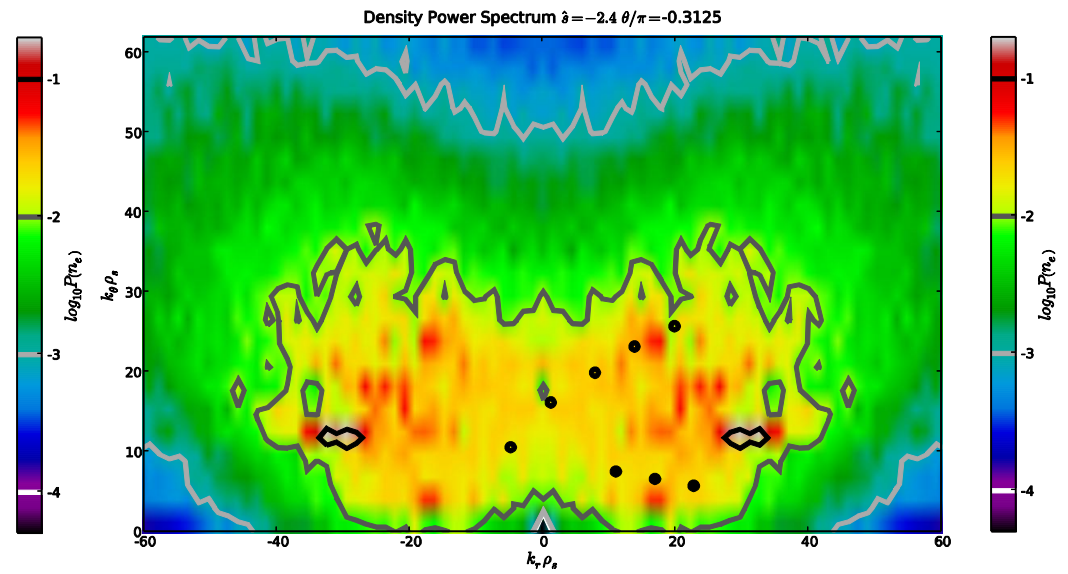
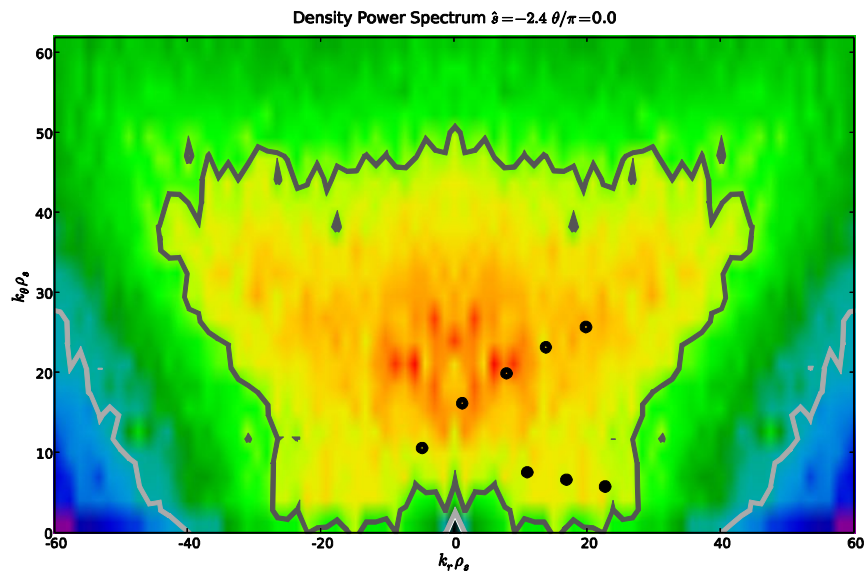
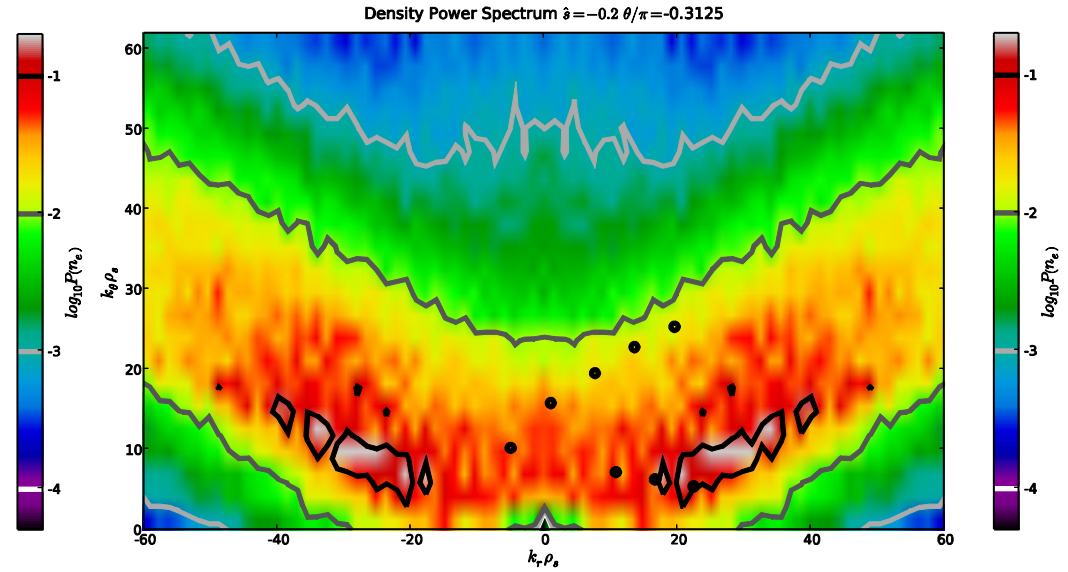
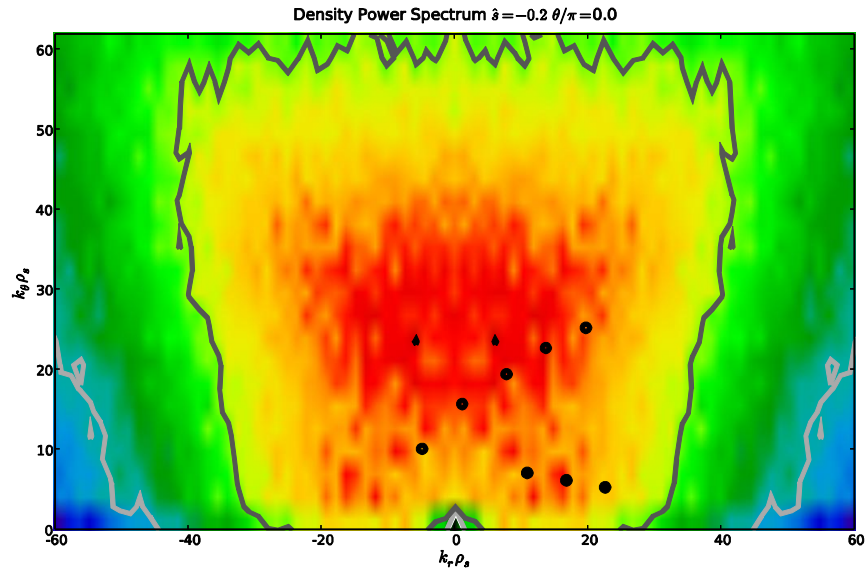


ETG turbulence spectrum changes with poloidal angle, high-k can measure off-midplane



- High-k mirrors can be configured to measure at a significant poloidal angle
- How to distinguish poloidal angle effect vs. k-space?

Simulation contour plots of density fluctuation spectra



Proposed run plan

- 1 half days allocated for XP1067
- Recreate 2008 XP829 e-ITB shots
- High power RF (2MW+) deuterium plasmas
 - NBI-A for MSE if possible (XP829)
 - RF only (XP821) with beam blips if necessary
- High-k starting in off-midplane position
 - Plenty of data at midplane
 - Shot to shot evolution of magnetic shear often occurs at XP start, varies with density
 - Move high-k to midplane. Test cell access necessary.
- 2nd half day will be using high-k at an intermediate poloidal angle to complete scan if 1st half day successful