





## NSTX contributions to the ITPA Integrated Operational Scenarios group

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## Questions that NSTX can help resolve in integrated Operational Scenarios

- SSO-2.2 MHD in hybrid scenarios and effects on q-profile
  - Do we have a hybrid scenario on NSTX?
    - Large 1/1 mode with fast ion current diffusion
    - Long pulse MHD-free scenarios with q(0) > 1
  - What is a hybrid scenario?
  - Can we develop a "classic" Hybrid scenario with a strong 3/2 NTM?
  - Why are 3/2 NTMs so rare on NSTX?
    - Motivates collaboration with MHD group
- SS0-3.0 Modulation of actuators to qualify real-time profile control methods for hybrid and steady state scenarios
  - What determines J<sub>NBI</sub> profile in long-pulse scenarios?
    - Activity fits well with NSTX long term research goals
    - Motivates collaboration with fast ion group
- MDC-13 Vertical Stability Physics and performance limits in Tokamaks with highly elongated plasmas
  - What determines the operating limits imposed by the n=0 mode?
    - Continues work already underway
    - Topic currently supervised under MHD ITPA group
- ELM control
  - Can NSTX develop and understand the physics of an attractive ELM control scenario?
    - High priority for ITER
    - Uses unique capability to trigger ELMs with RMP coils
    - Motivates collaboration with the boundary group