#### **Recent Chirping Analysis**



• 2004 Experiment

• "Effect of ion cyclotron acceleration on rapidly chirping beam-driven instabilities in NSTX" in press in *Plasma Phys. Cont. Fusion*.

•CQL3D calculation of fastion acceleration by Bob Harvey.

•Quantitative comparison with Berk-Breizman model by Herb Berk.



## Plasma Conditions for 2004 Experiment: Early TAES and Late Fishbones



#### Possible effect on MHz-band chirping



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#### HHFW has no effect on Fishbones



#### HHFW has no effect on TAE-band chirping



### HHFW alters steady-frequency TAEs





•Change occurs in ~ 5 ms

#### Rise in Neutron Rate → HHFW Accelerated Fast Ions



# COL3D Predicts Fast-ion Acceleration throughout Phase Space



•Expected for large normalized gyroradius and many resonances

• Simulation predicts neutrons increase x2.5 (experiment = 2.0)

- Substantial tail above injection energy (observed by NPA)
- Tail largest in core but apparent at all radii
- •f decreases below injection energy (NPA not apparent)
- Large trapped tail
- Big reduction in co

## CQL3D Simulation Guides Interpretation of the Results

HHFW accelerates trapped fast ions at all radii -> can alter
CAE chirping

 Large trapped tail → The number of trapped fast ions inside q=1 increases slightly, so fishbone stability should not be affected.

•f decreases below injection energy (particularly for co population)  $\rightarrow$  decrease in co-circulating fast ions with v ~ v<sub>A</sub> explains TAE stabilization

Power distributed throughout phase space → Lack of effect on TAEs and fishbones not inconsistent with Berk-Breizman theory ("used a blunderbuss rather than a scalpel")