

Comparison of a New Self-Adjoint Calculation of NSTX High Harmonic Current Drive with CQL3D

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GENRAY ADJ-QL / OUTLINE

- General linear RF current drive calculations implemented in GENRAY all frequencies rf ray tracing code w ADJ-QL
- Bounce averaged ADJ package is based on Karney et.al relativistic, Green function calculator (8th Top Conf RF Power in Plasmas, Irvine, 1989)
- We have added general non-circular equilibria and ray tracing-based calculation of RF fluxes, and interfaced to GENRAY
- The bounce-averaged relativistic momentum-space RF quasilinear flux is calculated at each point along rf ray trajectories, to be convolved w self-adjoint function.
- Comparisons are made between GENRAY-ADJ, CQL3D, and Ehst-Karney parameterization

Geometric optics equations

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{dr}{dt} &= - \frac{c}{\partial D / \partial \omega} \frac{\partial D / \partial N_r}{\partial D / \partial \omega} & \frac{dN_r}{dt} &= \frac{c}{\partial D / \partial \omega} \frac{\partial D / \partial r}{\partial D / \partial \omega} \\
 \frac{d\phi}{dt} &= - \frac{c}{\partial D / \partial \omega} \frac{\partial D / \partial M}{\partial D / \partial \omega} & \frac{dM}{dt} &= \frac{c}{\partial D / \partial \omega} \frac{\partial D / \partial \phi}{\partial D / \partial \omega} \\
 \frac{dz}{dt} &= - \frac{c}{\partial D / \partial \omega} \frac{\partial D / \partial N_z}{\partial D / \partial \omega} & \frac{dN_z}{dt} &= \frac{c}{\partial D / \partial \omega} \frac{\partial D / \partial z}{\partial D / \partial \omega}
 \end{aligned}$$

Dispersion Relation, general dielectric tensor ϵ

$$\begin{pmatrix}
 \epsilon_{xx} - N_{||}^2 & \epsilon_{xy} & \epsilon_{xz} + N_{||} N \\
 \epsilon_{yx} & \epsilon_{yy} - N^2 & \epsilon_{yz} \\
 \epsilon_{zx} + N_{||} N & \epsilon_{zy} & \epsilon_{zz} - N_{||}^2
 \end{pmatrix}
 \begin{pmatrix}
 E_x \\
 E_y \\
 E_z
 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$D(\vec{R}, N_{||}, N, \omega) = \det D_{\alpha\beta}$$

ADJ-Module in GENRAY

- Small RF power $f = f_m + \tilde{f}$
- Linearized bounce averaged relativistic collision operator

$$\langle C(\tilde{f}) \rangle = C \langle (f_{e,m}, \tilde{f}) \rangle + C \langle (f_{e,m}, \tilde{f}) \rangle + \langle C(\tilde{f}, f_{m,i}) \rangle$$

- Self-adjoint operator

$$\int \psi \langle C(f_m \chi) \rangle d^3u = \int \chi \langle C(f_m \psi) \rangle d^3u$$

- The adjoint problem for passing particles (E-fld-like eqn)

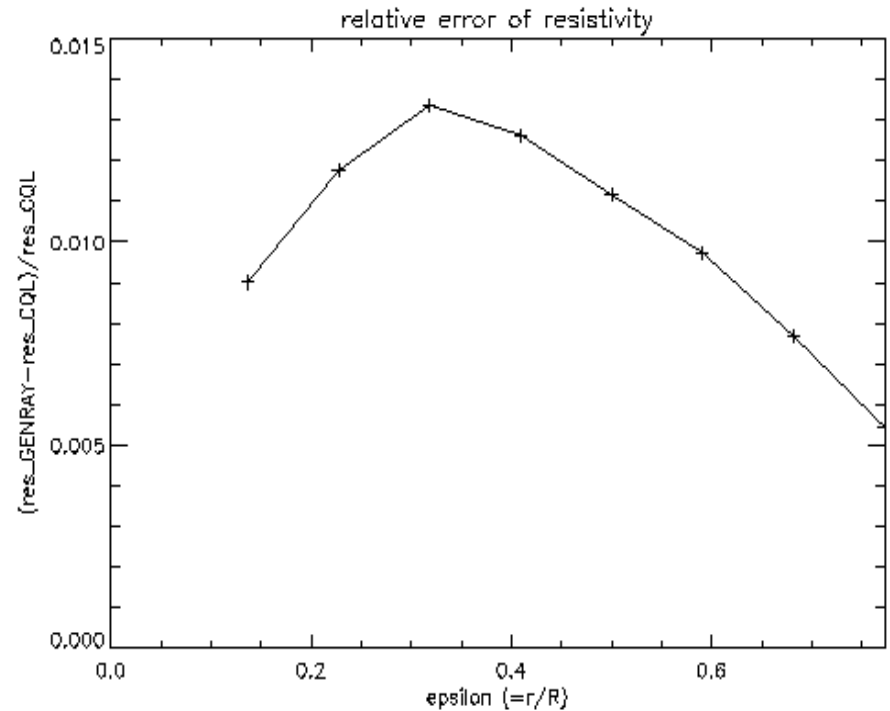
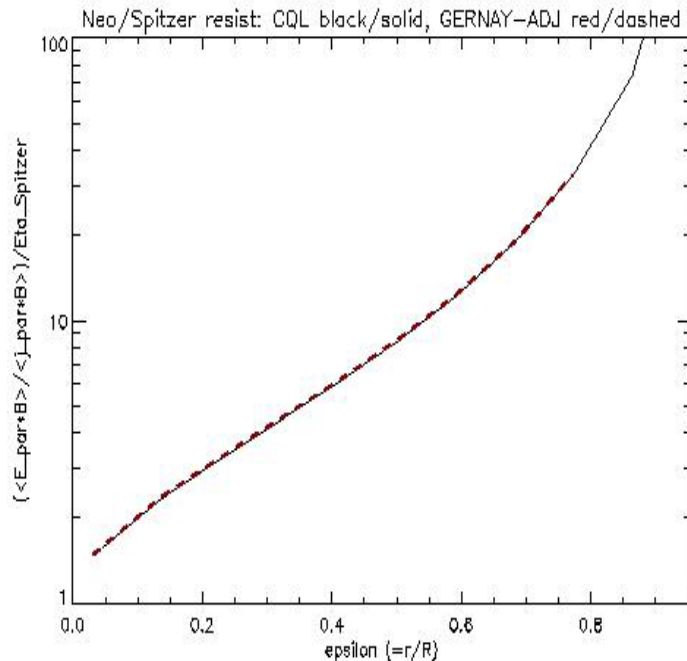
$$\langle C(f_m \chi) \rangle f_m = -q \frac{v_0 \cos \theta_0}{\lambda}, \quad \lambda = \tau_b v_0 \cos \theta_0 / L$$

↖ CQL3D-like collisional diffusion 2nd order partial diff operator

Neoclass. Elec. Conductivity: ADJ vs CQL3D

$$J_{||0} = q \int \chi f_m v_{||0} d^3 u_0$$

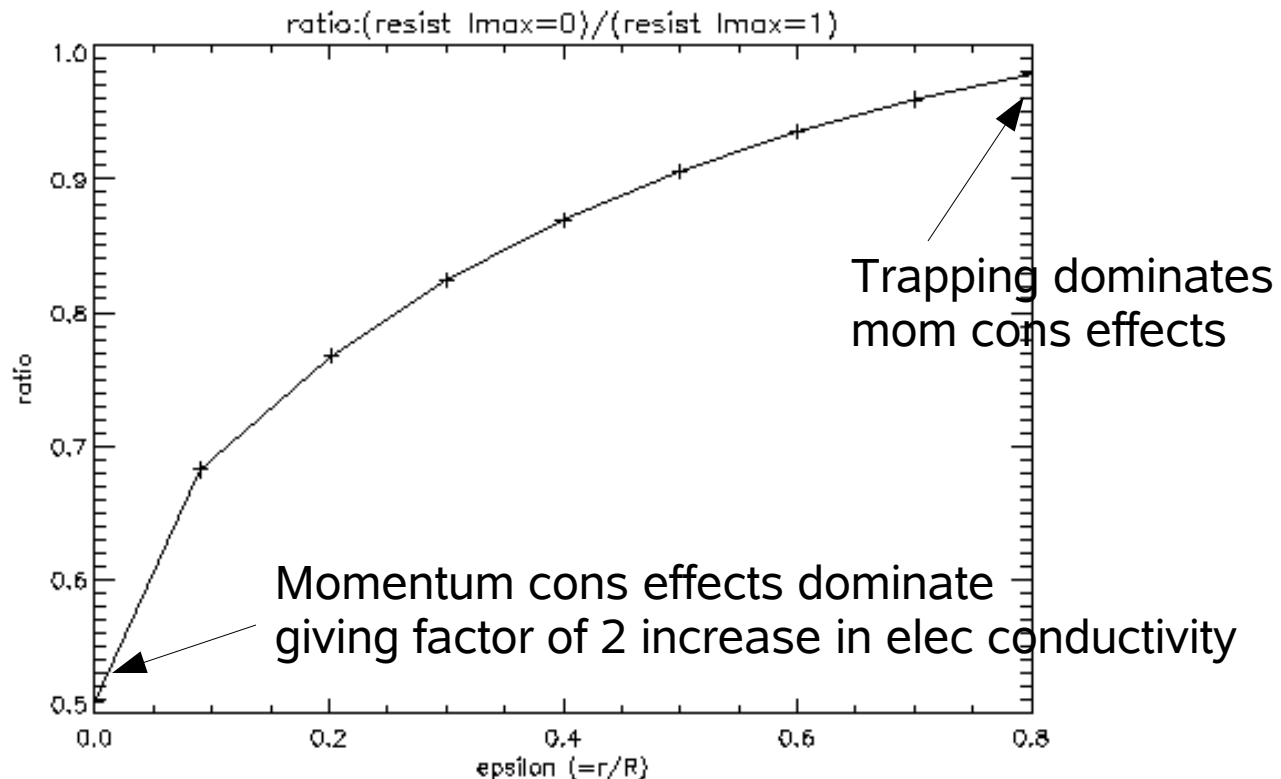
Comparison of GENRAY-ADJ, CQL3D: DC current resistivity



GENRAY-ADJ Electrical conductivity agrees to within 1.4% over a full range of inverse aspect ratio (r/R), including strong toroidal trapping effect.

Effect of Momentum Conservation on ADJ DC conductivity vs (r/R)

- $L_{\max}$ is the number of Legendre polynomials representing the momentum conservation part of the collision operator



Relativistic QL Flux

- Local QL Flux in midplane momentum space at Maxwellian distribution

$$S_{ql, u_0} = -D_{uu} \frac{df_m}{du_{0||}}, \quad S_{ql, \theta_0} = -D_{\theta u} \frac{df_m}{du_{0||}}$$

- Diffusion coefficients

$$D_{uu} = \sum_n D_n \left[\frac{k_{||} v_{\perp}}{\omega \gamma} \cos \theta + \frac{n \omega_c}{\omega v} \sin \theta \right]^2$$

$$D_{\theta u} = \sum_n D_n \left[-0.5 \left(\left(\frac{k_{||} v_{\perp}}{\omega \gamma} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{n \omega_c}{\omega \gamma} \right)^2 \right) \sin 2\theta + \left(\frac{k_{||} v_{\perp}}{\omega \gamma} \right) \left(\frac{n \omega_c}{\omega v} \right) \cos 2\theta \right]$$

$$D_n = \frac{q^2}{2m} \pi \delta \left(\omega - k_{||} v_{||} - \frac{n \omega_c}{\gamma} \right) |\Theta_{n, k_{\perp}}|^2$$

- The relativistic resonance condition determines the argument of delta function.

$$\Theta_{n, k_{\perp}} = \frac{E_x - iE_y}{2} J_{n+1} \left(\frac{k_{\perp} u_{\perp}}{\omega_c} \right) + \frac{E_x + iE_y}{2} J_{n-1} \left(\frac{k_{\perp} u_{\perp}}{\omega_c} \right) \\ + E_z \frac{u_{||}}{u_{\perp}} J_n \left(\frac{k_{\perp} u_{\perp}}{\omega_c} \right)$$

ADJ-QL RF Current Drive Efficiency

- Parallel current drive density

$$J_{||0} = \int \lambda \langle S_{ql,0} \rangle \cdot \frac{\partial \chi}{\partial \mathbf{u}_0} d^3 u_0$$

RF QL Flux
Vel grad ADJ Function

- Power density

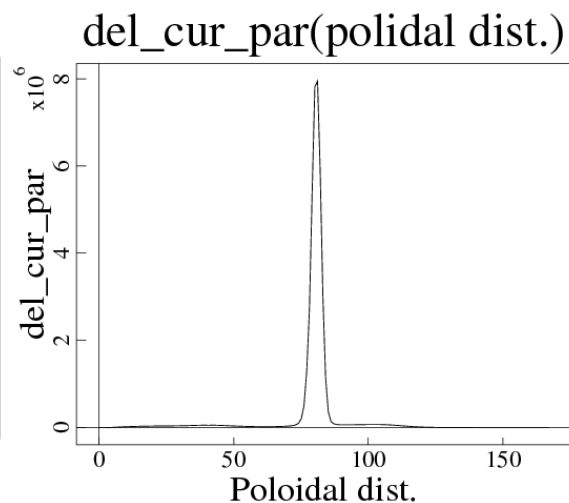
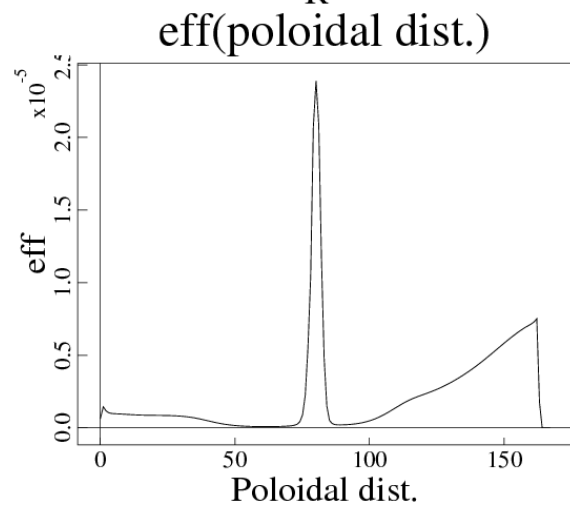
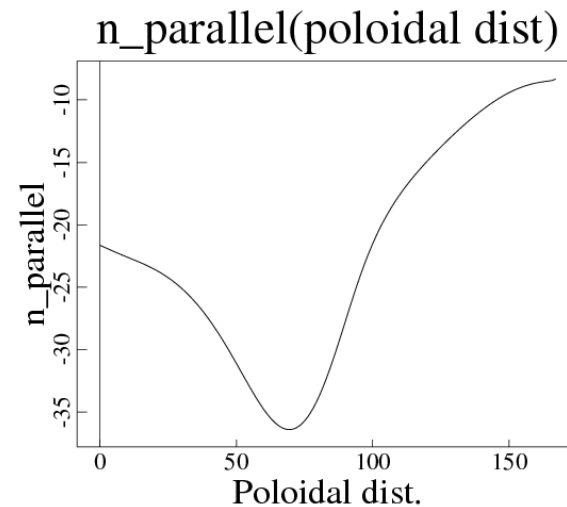
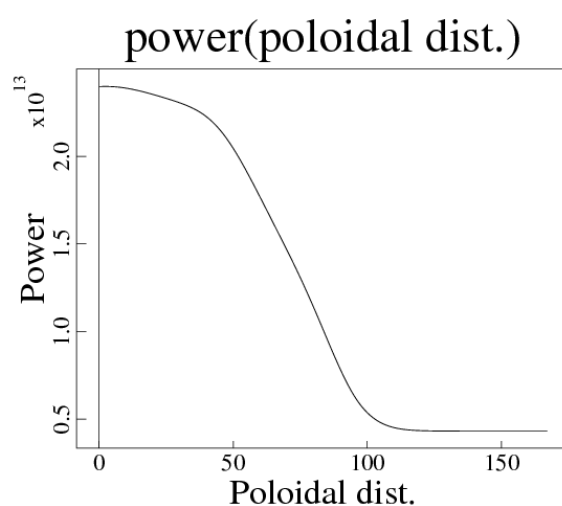
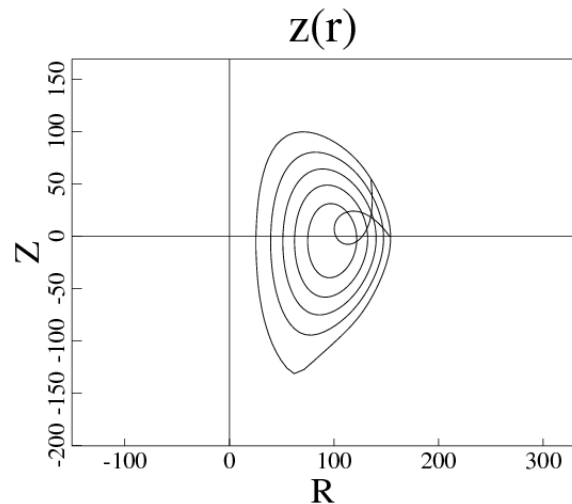
$$P_0 = m \int \lambda \langle S_{ql,0} \rangle \cdot \mathbf{v}_0 d^3 u_0$$

- CD efficiency

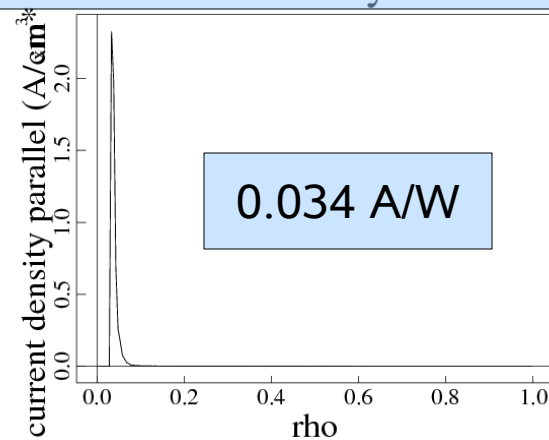
$$\eta = \frac{J_{||0}}{P_0}$$

- Calc CD effic at each point along the ray, then multiply by absorbed power
=> CD from ray element

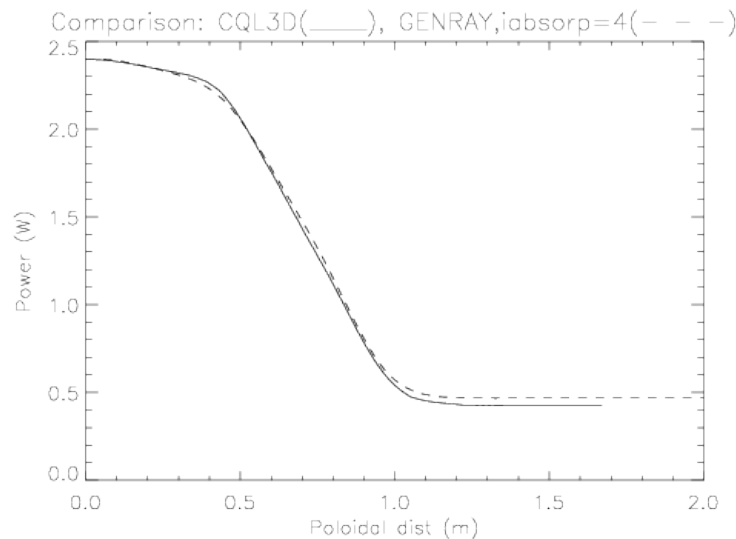
HHFW Rays and for NSTX Test Data (30 MHz, n_{par}=-21.)



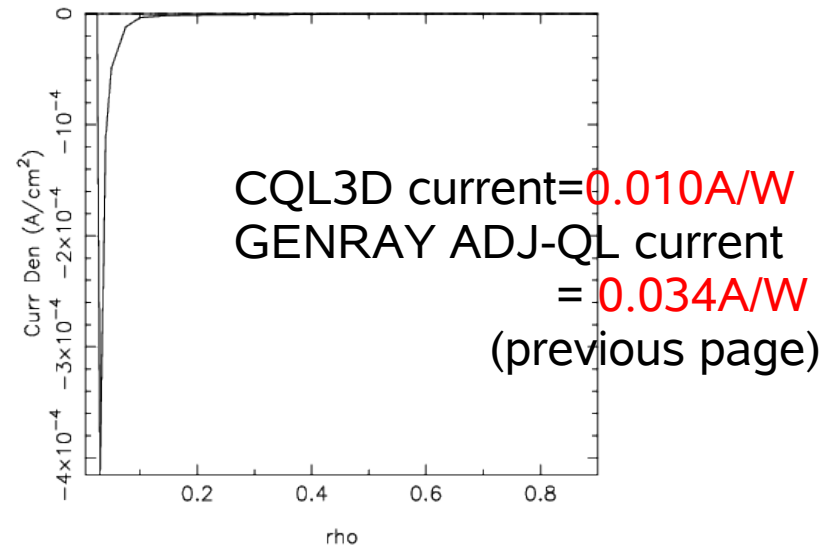
parallel current density A/cm**2(rho)



Comparison of ADJ-QL with CQL3D for NSTX Test Case

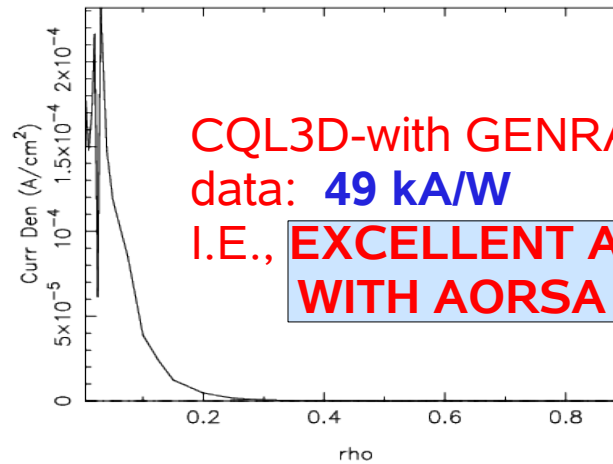
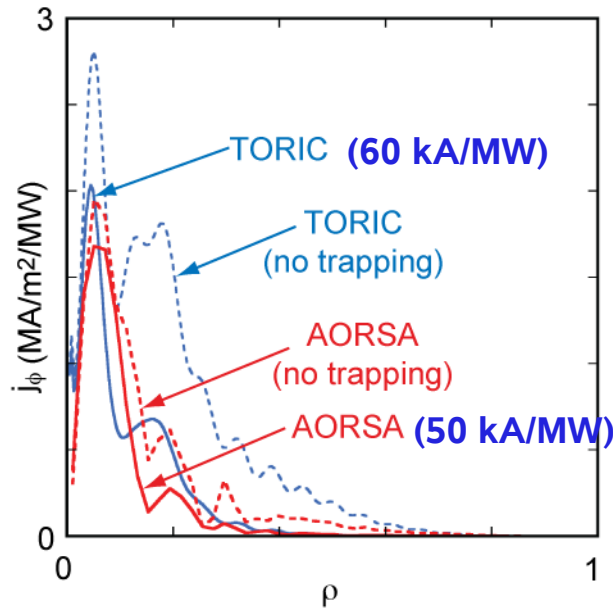


Above excellent agreement between GENRAY and CQL3D absorption supports that polarizations have been correctly calculated in GENRAY, since CQL3D power absorption is calculated from vel integral of $\text{energy} \cdot (df/dt)|_{QL}$.



Both CQL3D and GENRAY ADJ results appear well converged. **THEREFORE: Presently have a bug (in GENRAY, I believe) for 0th harmonic CD. The integration is different from cyclotron cases, which work.**

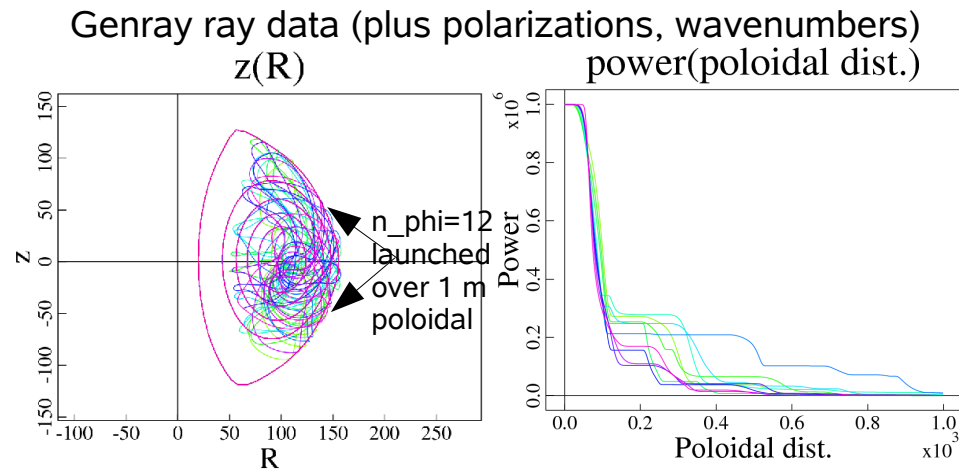
GENRAY/CQL3D CD Calc Vs. AORSA-TORIC/Ehst-Karney for NCTX shot 123435



CQL3D-with GENRAY ray data: **49 kA/W**

I.E., **EXCELLENT AGREEMENT WITH AORSA AND TORIC**

AORSA and TORIC Simulations with and without trapping, for $N_{\phi}=12$. Ehst-Karney CD effc. Phillips et al., IAEA 2008



CONCLUSIONS

- ◆ Bounce averaged relativistic ADJ QL package implemented in GENRAY.
- ◆ This approach includes: momentum conservation, wave polarization effects, and the influence of trapped electrons.
- ◆ The bounds of assumptions: the electron distribution function remains close to a relativistic Maxwellian, small banana width, toroidal geometry and low collisionality.
- ◆ The method provides a general, linear CD calculation, and is directly comparable to CQL3D in the low power (linear) regime. Comparisons with CQL3D for electron cyclotron harmonic current drive agree well.
Moreover, calculation of HHFW CD in an recent NSTX shot with GENRAY ray data plus CQL3D current calculation agree well with AORSA/Ehst-Karney CD calculation (49 kA/MW vs 50 kA/MW).
- ◆ However, at the moment, at zeroth harmonic HHFW ADJ-QL current calculation appears to overestimate CD efficiency by 3X, in a test case. This is being worked on, and hopefully, the bug will be eliminated shortly.