



Numerical optimization of the actuator trajectories in ITER hybrid scenario

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What is the most efficient actuator trajectory for the ramp-up phase?

- ▶ Use RAPTOR for optimization:
Fast simulation, suitable for numerical optimization
- ▶ Verify results using CRONOS:
More complete model to verify RAPTOR outcome



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The two main evolution equations in RAPTOR are:

$$\sigma_{\parallel} \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \rho} - \frac{\rho \dot{B}_0}{2B_0} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \rho} \right) = \frac{R_0 J^2}{\mu_0 \rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left(\frac{G_2}{J} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \rho} \right) - \frac{V'}{2\pi \rho} (j_{bs} + j_{cd}).$$

$$\frac{3}{2} V'^{5/3} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \frac{\rho \dot{B}_0}{2B_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \right) [V'^{5/3} n_{\alpha} T_{\alpha}] + \frac{1}{V'} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left(q_{\alpha} + \frac{5}{2} T_{\alpha} \Gamma_{\alpha} \right) = P_{\alpha}$$

Next: identify differences in the evolution equations of CRONOS and RAPTOR.



Poloidal flux diffusion

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RAPTOR:

- ▶ 2D MHD equilibrium fixed
- ▶ Geometric factors (G_1 , G_2 , V' and J) are fixed in time



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RAPTOR:

σ_{\parallel} and j_{bs} calculated using the equations in Sauter *et al.*

CRONOS:

σ_{\parallel} and j_{bs} taken from *NCLASS* routine.



The diffusive heat flux q_α :

$$\frac{3}{2} V^{5/3} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \frac{\rho \dot{B}_0}{2B_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \right) [V^{5/3} n_\alpha T_\alpha] + \frac{1}{V'} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left(\underbrace{q_\alpha}_{\text{diffusive}} + \frac{5}{2} T_\alpha \Gamma_\alpha \right) = P_\alpha$$

RAPTOR and CRONOS:

Equivalent Bohm-Gyrobohm transport model implemented.



The convective heat flux Γ_α :

$$\frac{3}{2} V'^{5/3} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \frac{\rho \dot{B}_0}{2B_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \right) \left[V'^{5/3} n_\alpha T_\alpha \right] + \frac{1}{V'} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left(q_\alpha + \frac{5}{2} T_\alpha \underbrace{\Gamma_\alpha} \right) = P_\alpha$$

RAPTOR:

Not simulated

CRONOS:

Simulated but negligible effect on profile evolution



The following interactions were added to RAPTOR:

- ▶ P_α - Developed fusion induced heating to electrons
- ▶ P_{ei} - Introduced electron-ion heat loss for electrons
- ▶ P_{brem} - Introduced bremsstrahlung radiation loss
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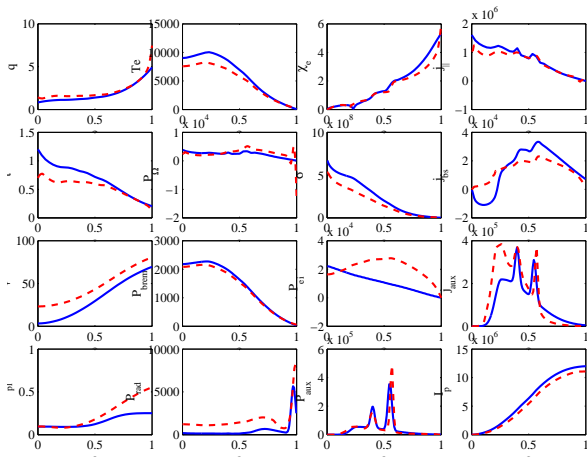
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Typical profiles

$t = 80$ sec

Blue solid: RAPTOR, Red dashed lines: CRONOS

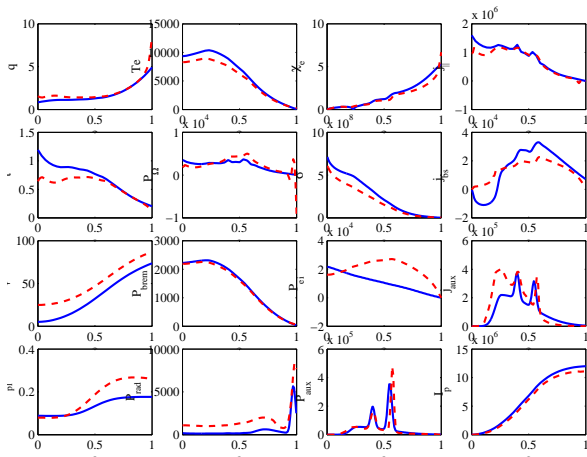




Typical profiles

$t = 100$ sec

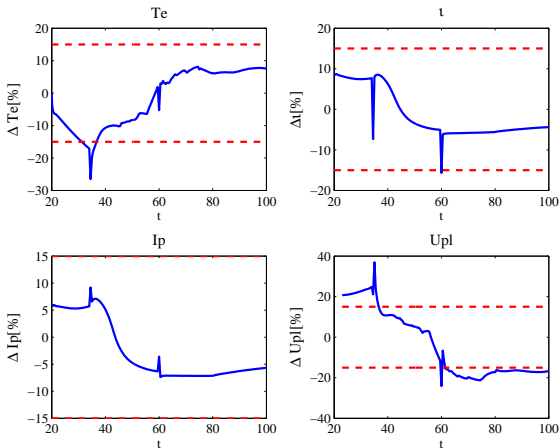
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Profile differences

ρ -averaged difference:





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Heuristic optimization of q-profile

I_p ramp-up until 80sec

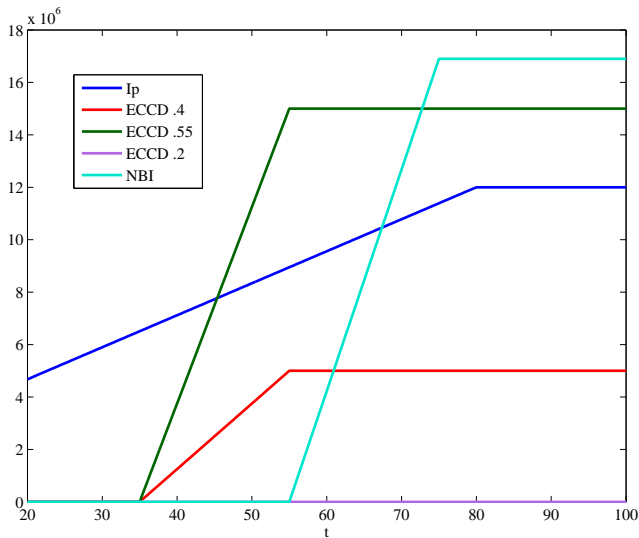
P_{ECCD} sources @ $\rho \approx .4$ & $.55$

P_{NBI} source of 16.9 MW

$J = ?$



Reference actuators





Optimization set-up

Cost function:

For ITG threshold: (1)

$$J_{s/q} = - \int W_{s/q} V'(\rho) s(\rho) / q(\rho) d\rho$$

For stationary state: (2)

$$J_{ss} = \int W_{ss} \left\| \frac{dU_{pl}}{d\rho} \right\|^2 d\rho$$

$$J_{ss} = \int W_{ss}(\rho) \|U_{pl}(\rho) - U_{pl,edge}\|^2 d\rho$$

Constraints:

- ▶ $q > 1.05$
- ▶ $\sum_i P_{ECCD}^{(i)} \leq 20 \text{ MW}, P_{NBI} \leq 16.5 \text{ MW}$
- ▶ $0.5 \leq I_p \leq 15 \text{ MA}, dI_p/dt \leq 0.3 \text{ MA/s}$



Cost function:

For ITG threshold: (3)

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For stationary state: (4)

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Optimization set-up

Cost function:

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For stationary state: (6)

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Cost function:

For ITG threshold: (7)

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For stationary state: (8)

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Cost function:

For ITG threshold: (9)

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For stationary state: (10)

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$$J_{sq} = -156.14 \quad \text{and} \quad J_{ss} = 0.778$$



We know that J_{SS} has its optimal value at $J_{SS} = 0$

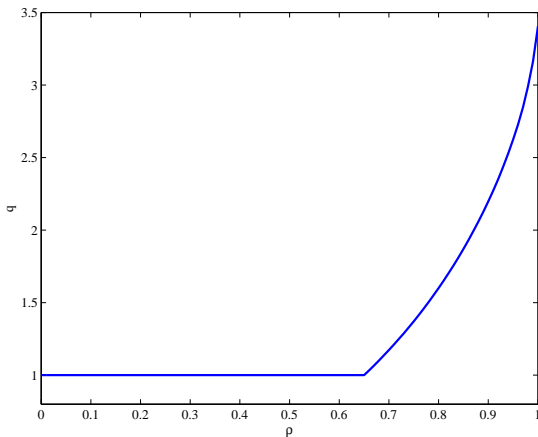
How about J_{sq} ? What is its optimal value?

Using assumptions on the MHD equilibrium, an optimal q-profile can be calculated.

Monitoring the relative distance to the optimal values is a quantitative measure to track our progress.



Optimal q-profile



Optimal $J_{sq} = -275.25$ for RAPTOR equilibrium



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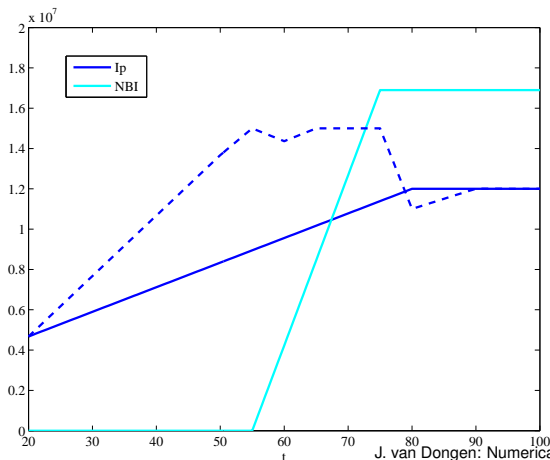
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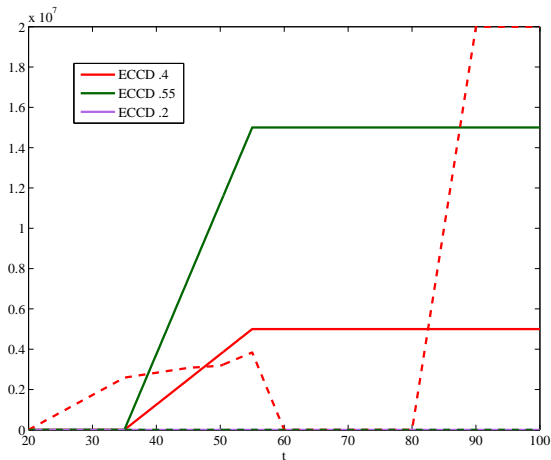
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Initial optimization results compared to reference actuators for $J = J_{ss}(= 0.911) + J_{s/q}(= -2.1508)$. Reference (solid) and Optimized case (dashed).





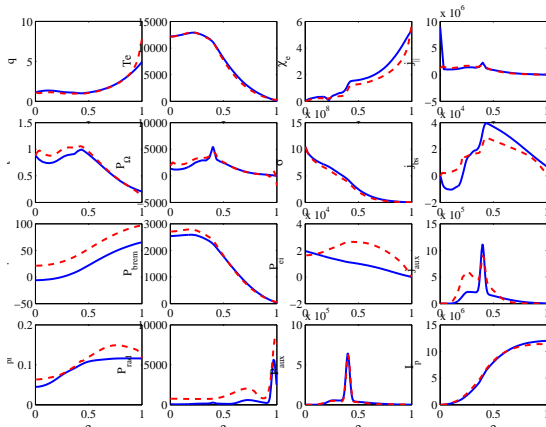
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Comparing results from RAPTOR(blue) and CRONOS (red) at $t = 100$ sec:





Quantitative results:

	RAPTOR	CRONOS
J_{SS}	0.009111	0.028611
rel J_{SS}	17.06 %	41.29 %
J_{sq}	-215.08	-278.62
rel J_{sq}	50.52 %	14.40 %

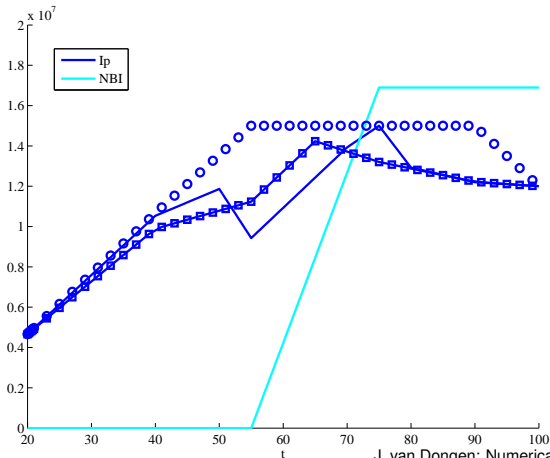
For relative J_{SS}/J_{sq} : reference distance to optimal is 100%

Next: Compare results from different cost function compositions



Compare J_{SS} , $J_{S/q}$ and $J_{SS} + J_{S/q}$

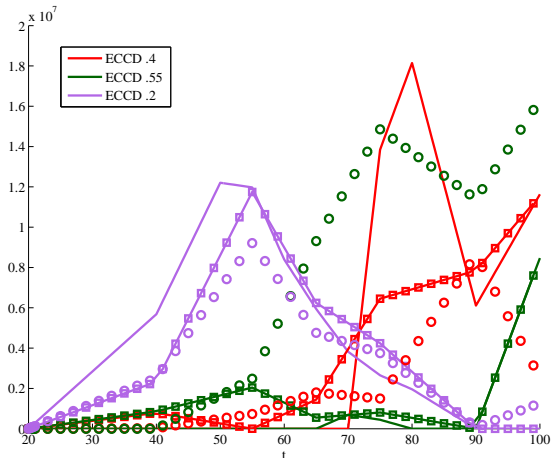
$J = J_{SS} + J_{S/q}$ (solid), $J = J_{SS}$ (squares) and $J_{S/q}$ (circles):
Current overshoot favorable to $J_{S/q}$ and J_{SS} as previously seen in JET/TCV





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$J = J_{SS} + J_{Sq}$ (solid), $J = J_{SS}$ (squares) and $J_{S/q}$ (circles):
Choice of cost function has most effect on far off axis ECCD.





Compare J_{ss} , $J_{s/q}$ and $J_{ss} + J_{s/q}$

Quantitative results for $J = \nu_{ss}J_{ss} + \nu_{sq}J_{sq}$:

	ν_{ss}	$\nu_{s/q}$	J_{ss}	rel J_{ss}	J_{sq}	rel J_{sq}
Case 1	0	1	7.8804	1000.125 %	-233.96	34.7 %
Case 2	1	0	0.0160	2.06 %	-219.76	46.6 %
Case 3	1	1	0.01572	2.02 %	-220.14	46.3 %



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- ▶ Successfully updated RAPTOR to simulate ITER hybrid discharges

Errors of most relevant profiles are within 15 % range of CRONOS results

- ▶ Shown an improved result verified in CRONOS compared to literature
- ▶ Both the J_{ss} and J_{sq} contributions can be lowered significantly in RAPTOR



- ▶ Verify new optimization results in CRONOS
- ▶ NBI timing also optimized
- ▶ Use new NBI model recently implemented
- ▶ Extend to H-mode



Thank you all for your attention!

Any questions?



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