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"What we think we know about the ECRH reintroduction scenario"

(and will later find out is wrong)

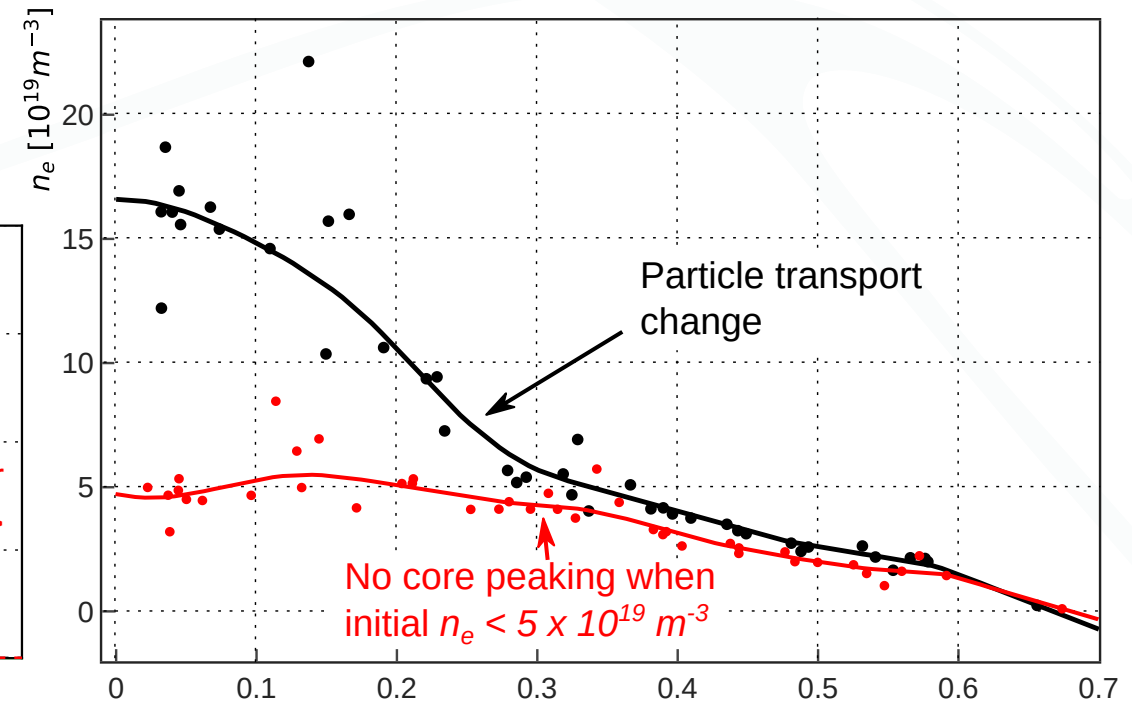
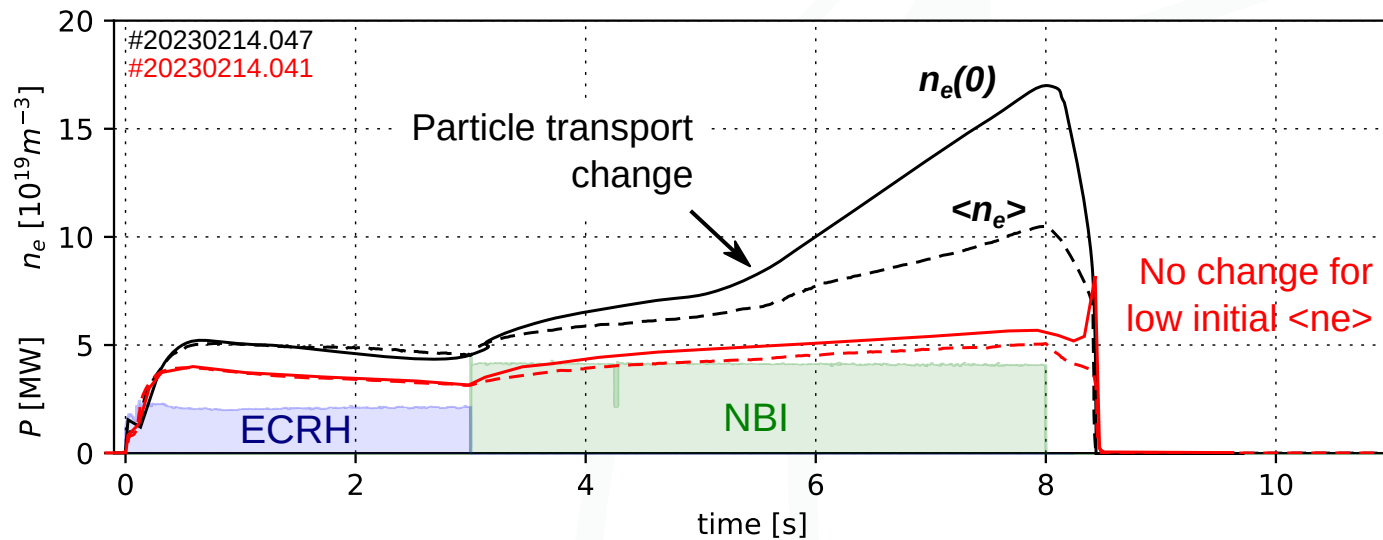
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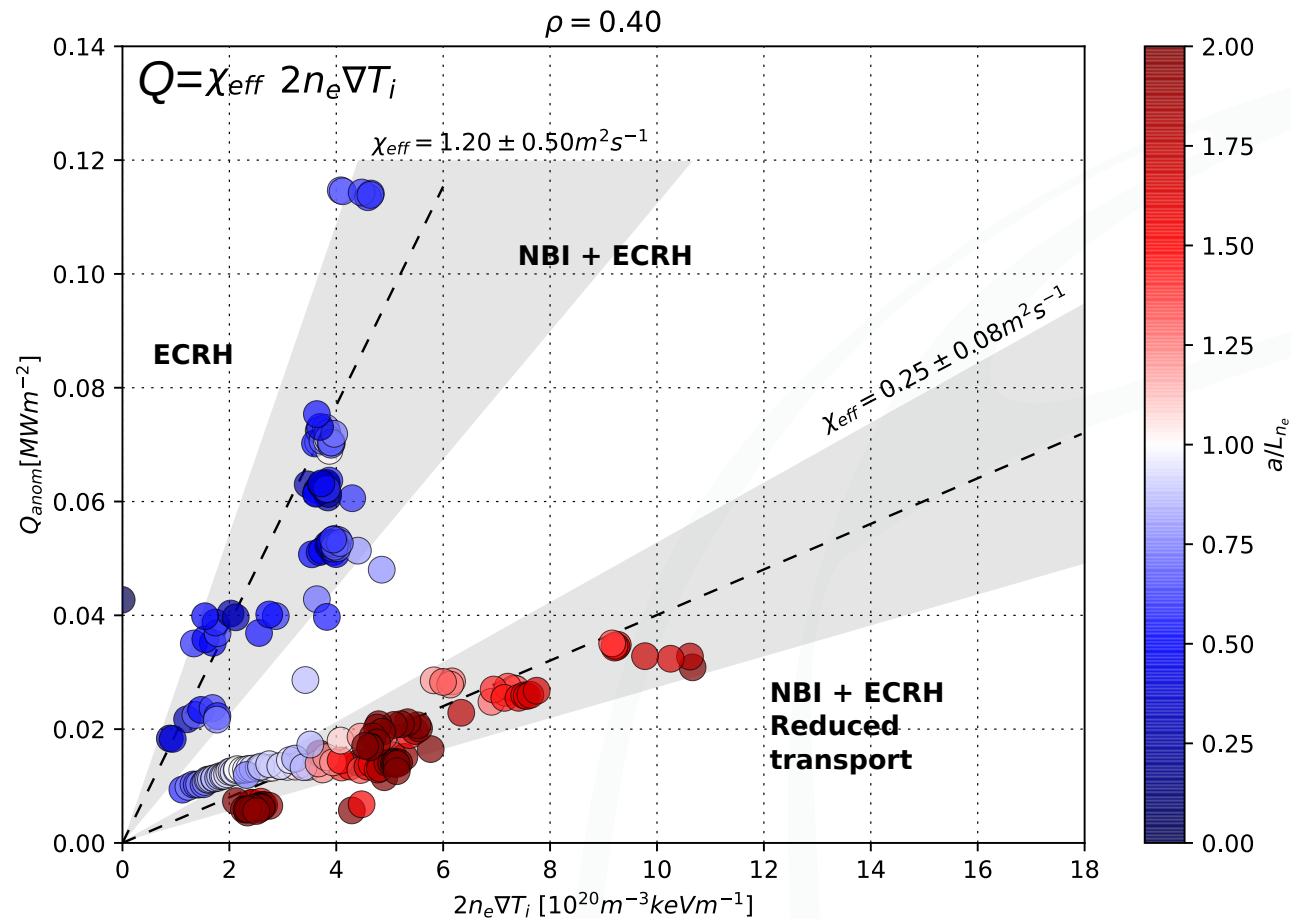
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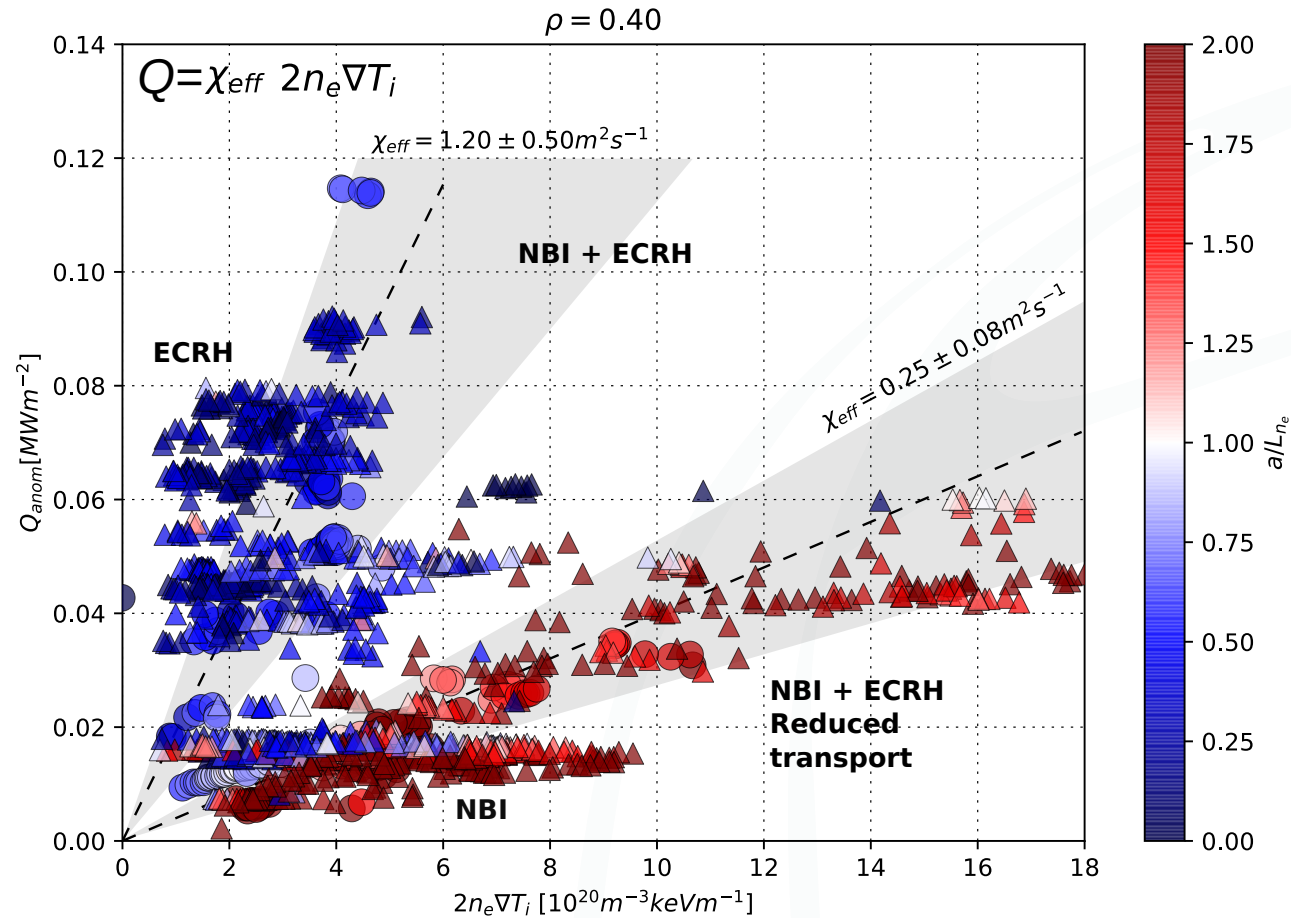
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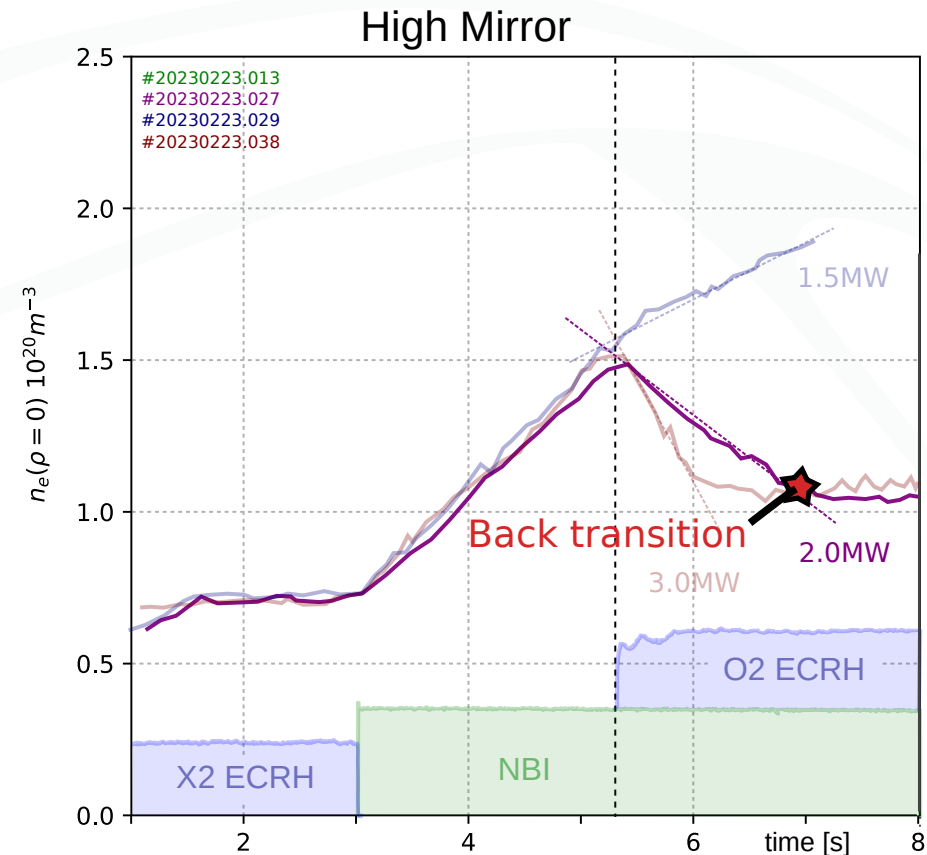
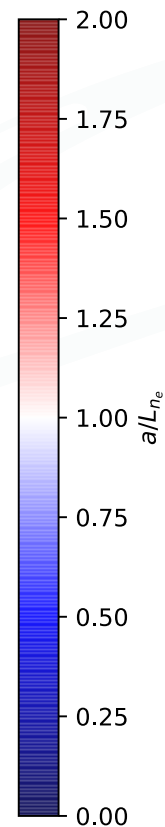
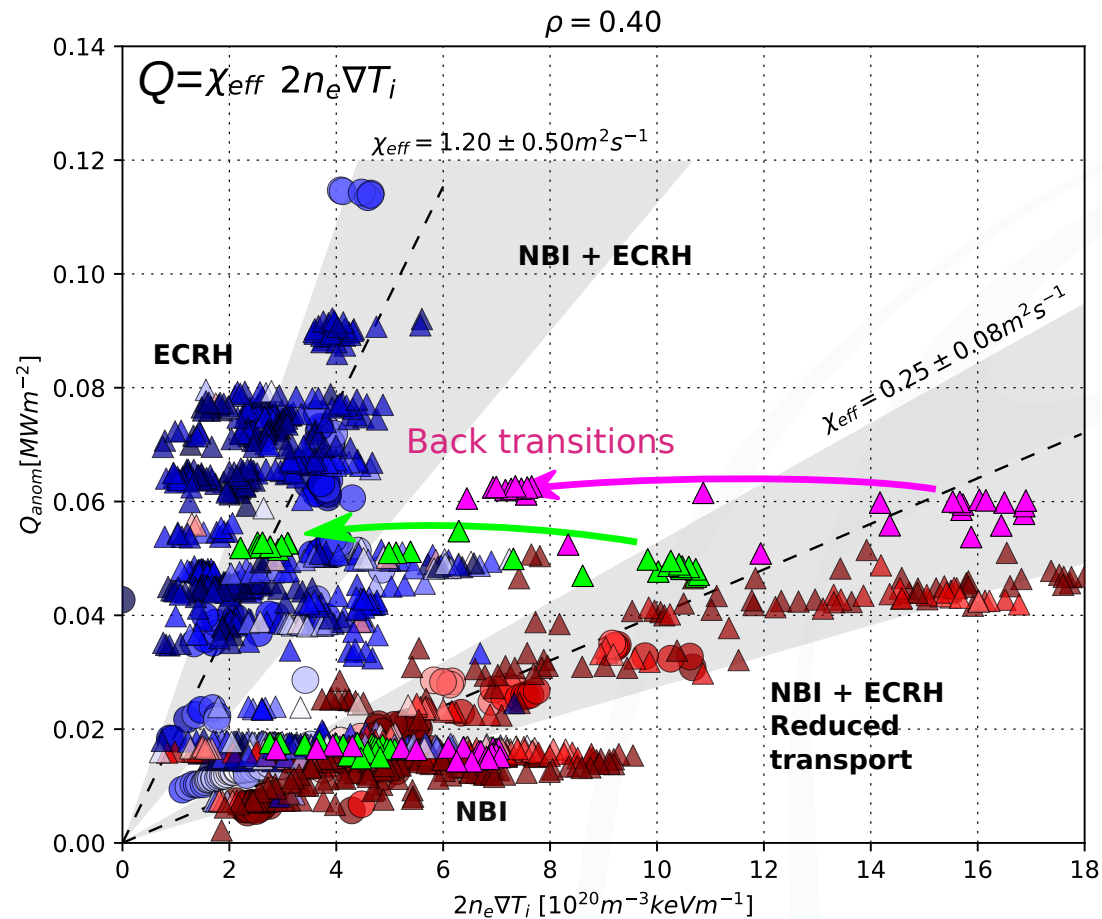


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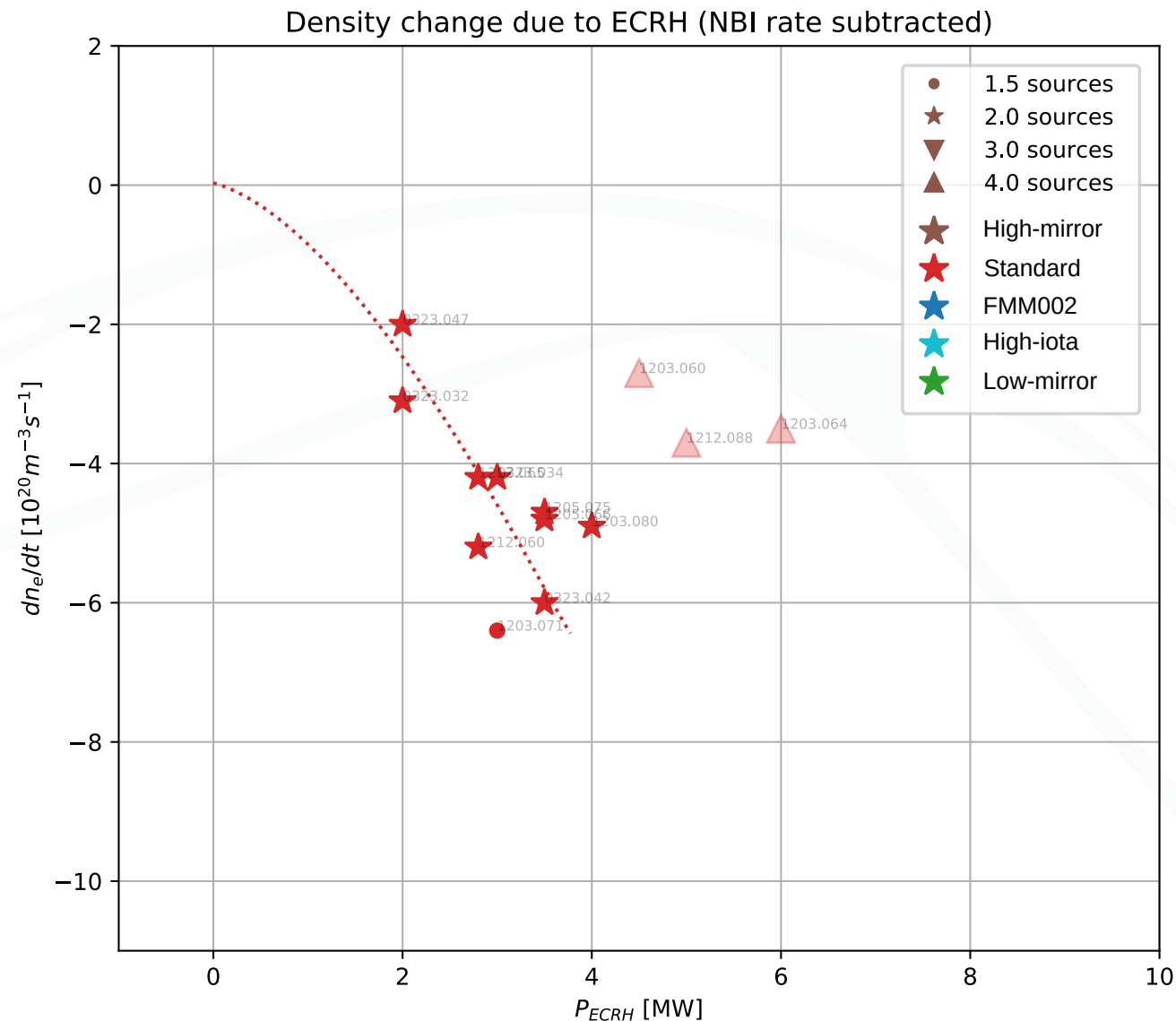
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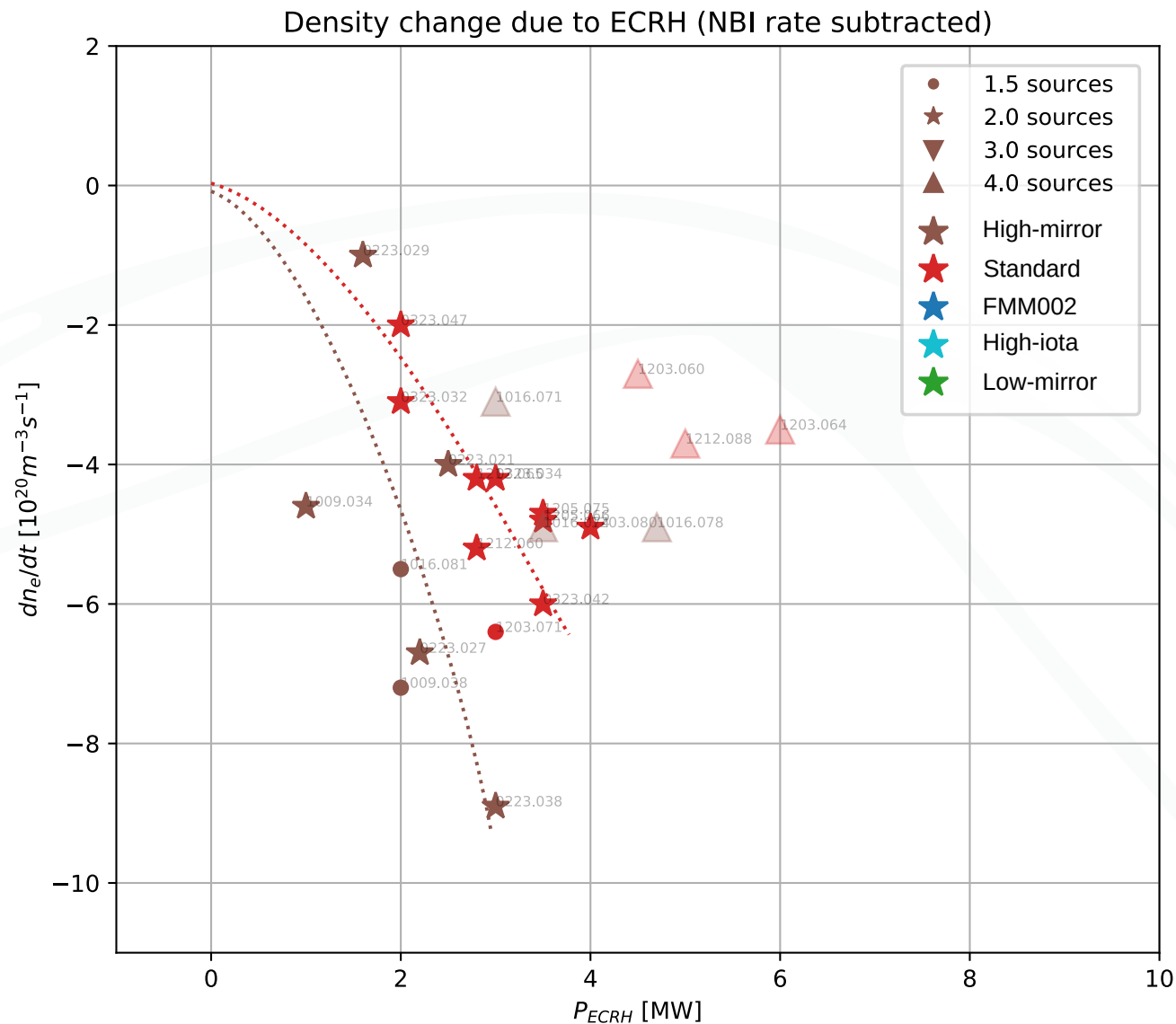
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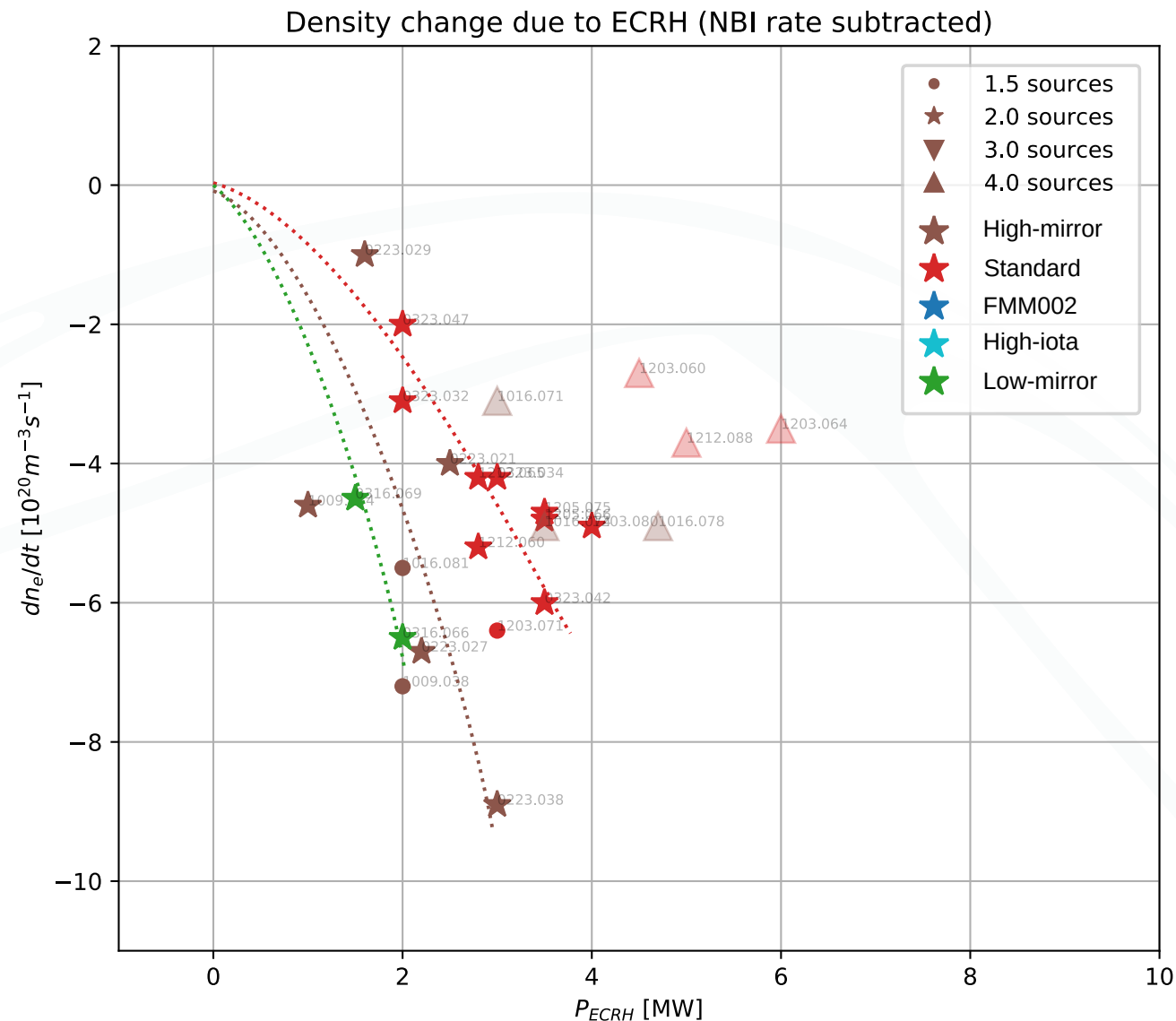
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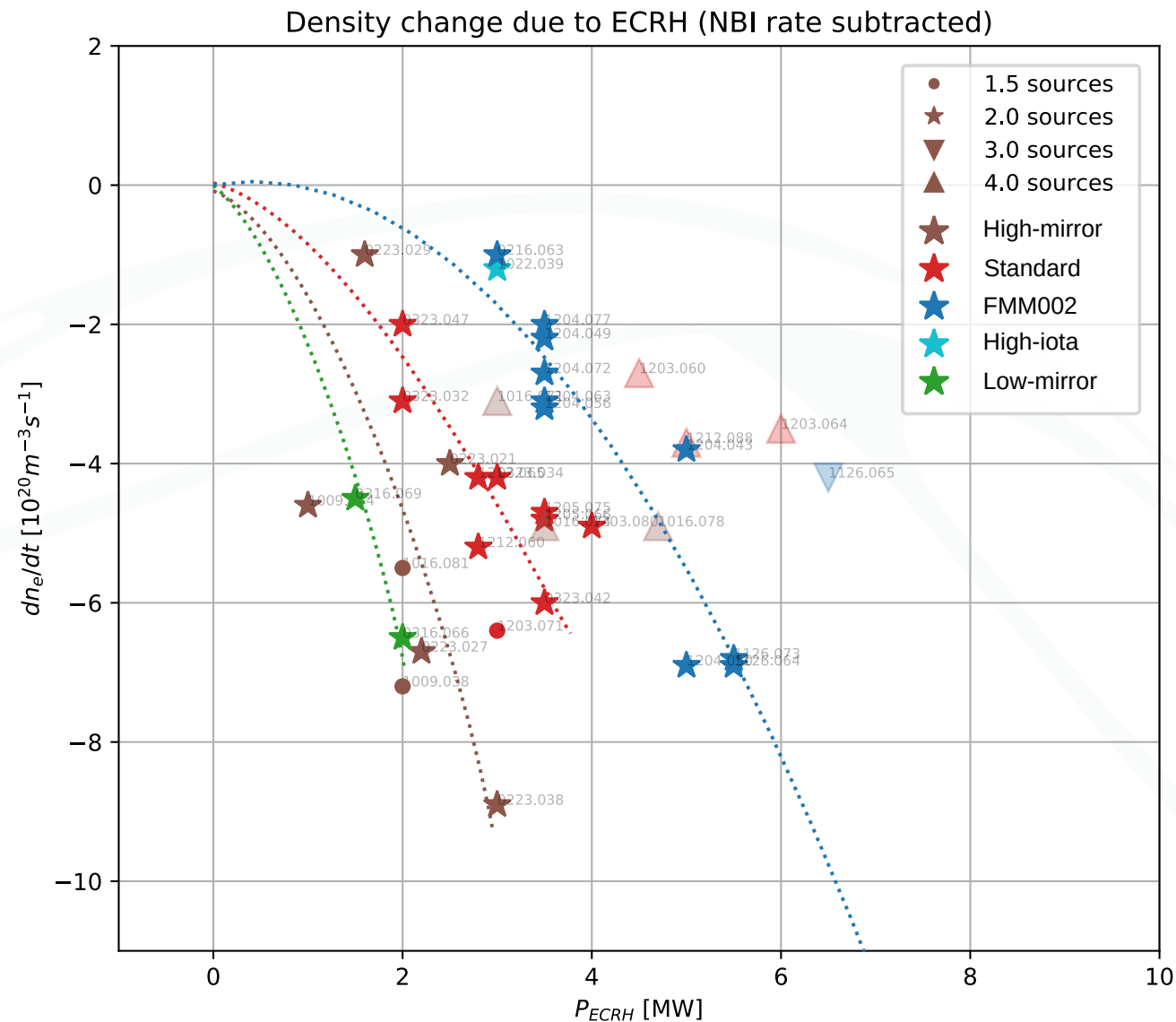
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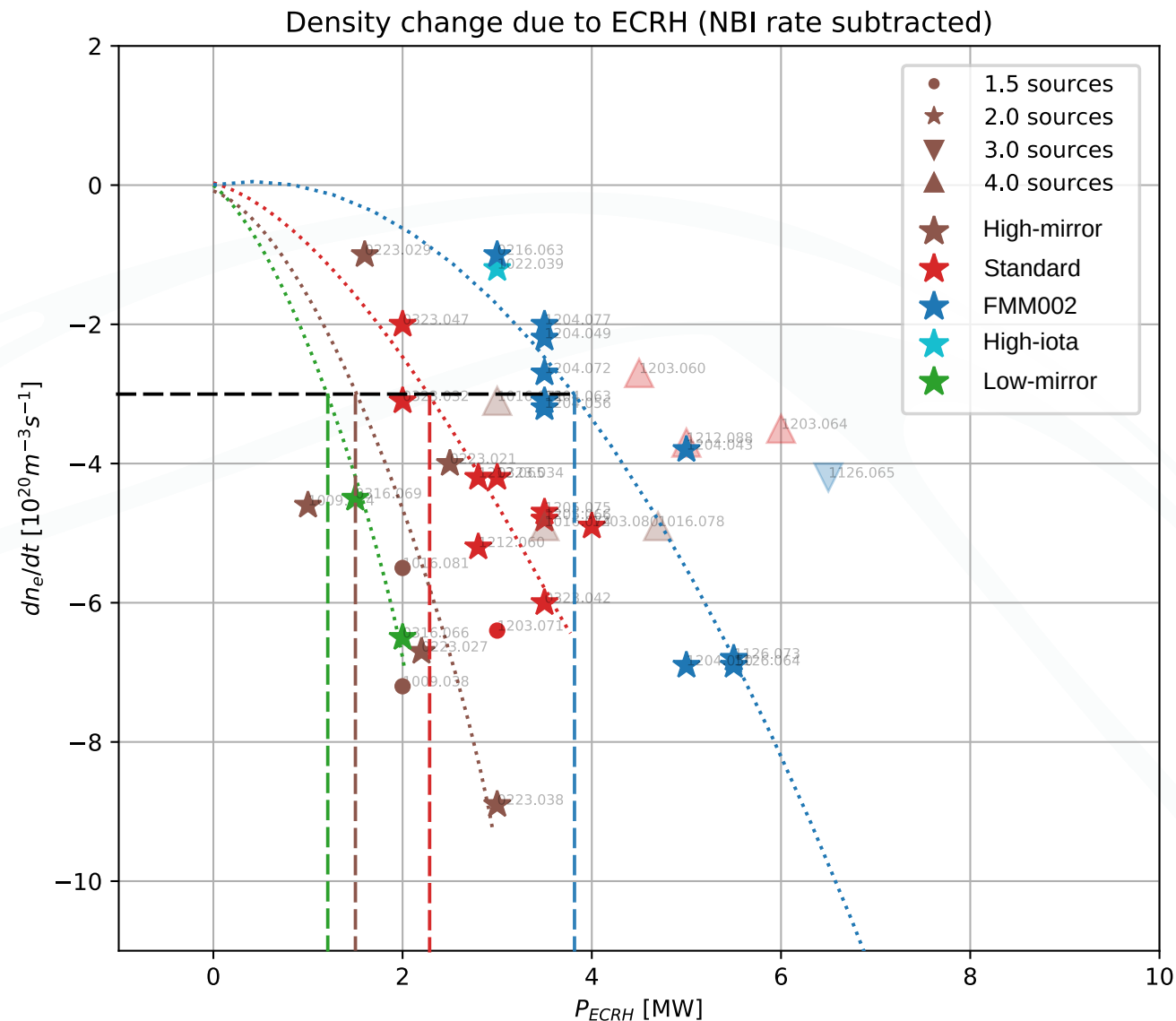
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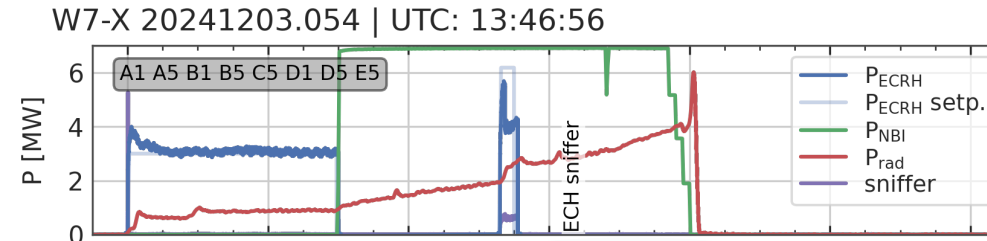
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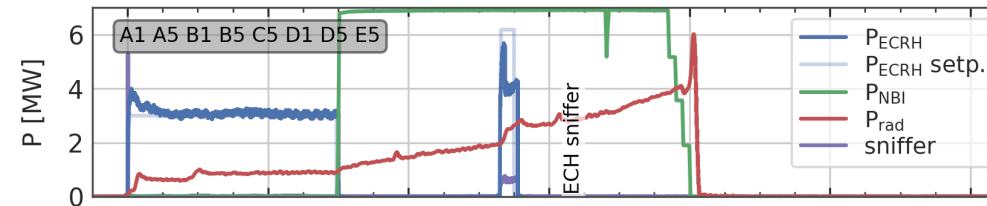
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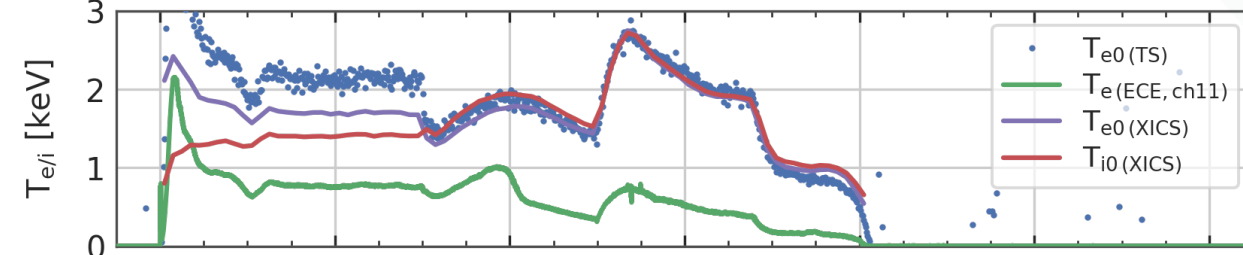
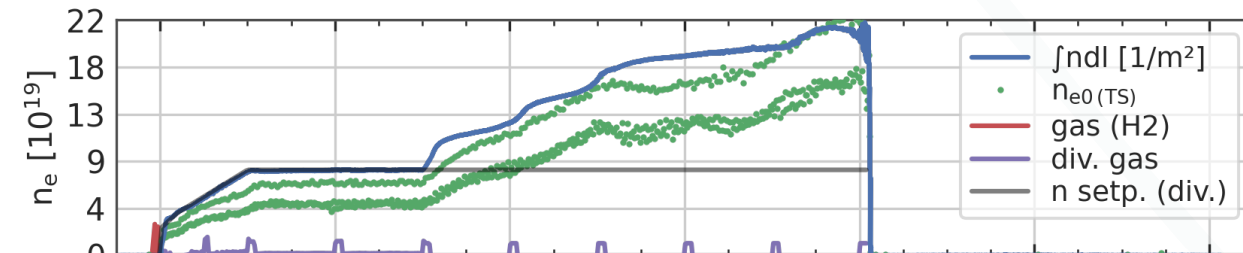
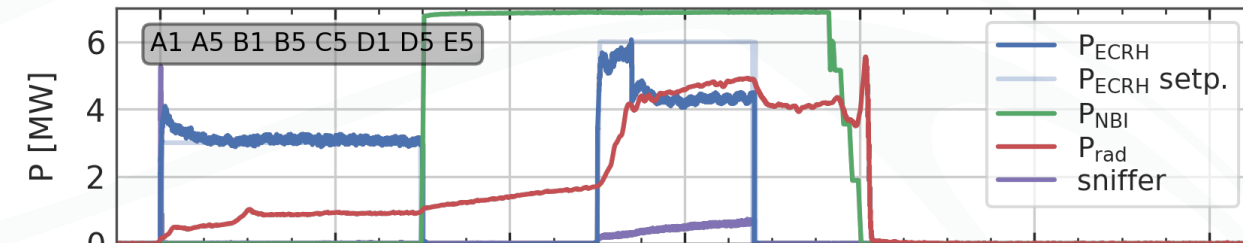
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Sometimes we have falling T_e and T_i despite constant density and radiation.
is this absorption related??

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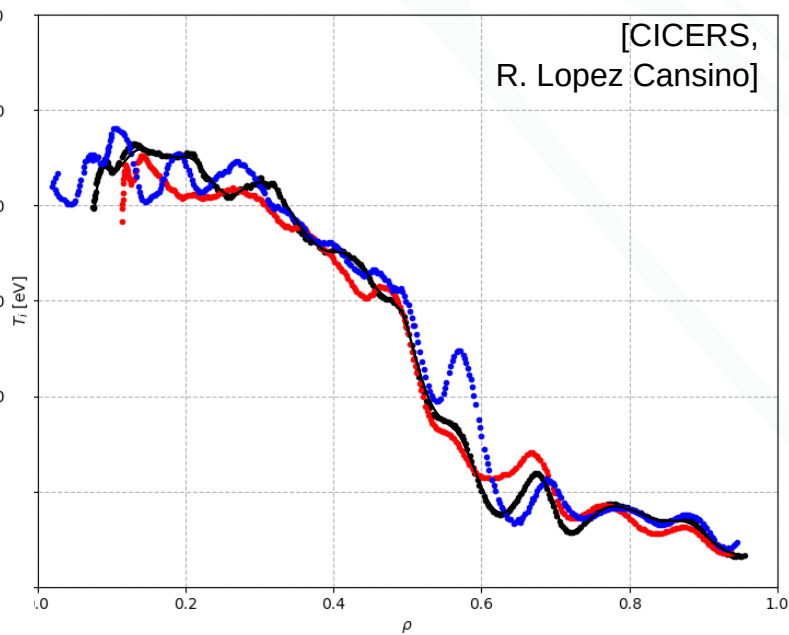
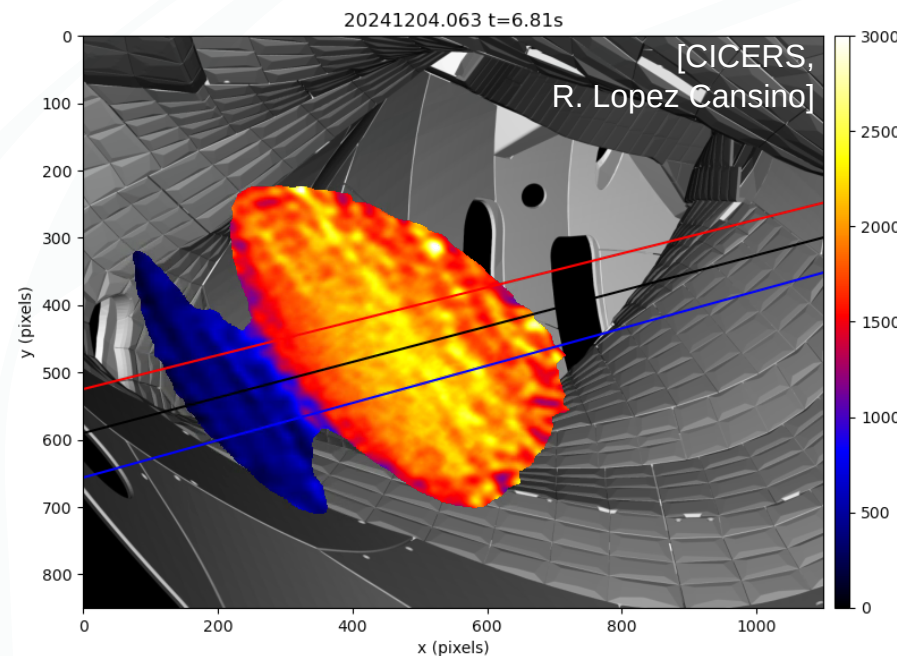
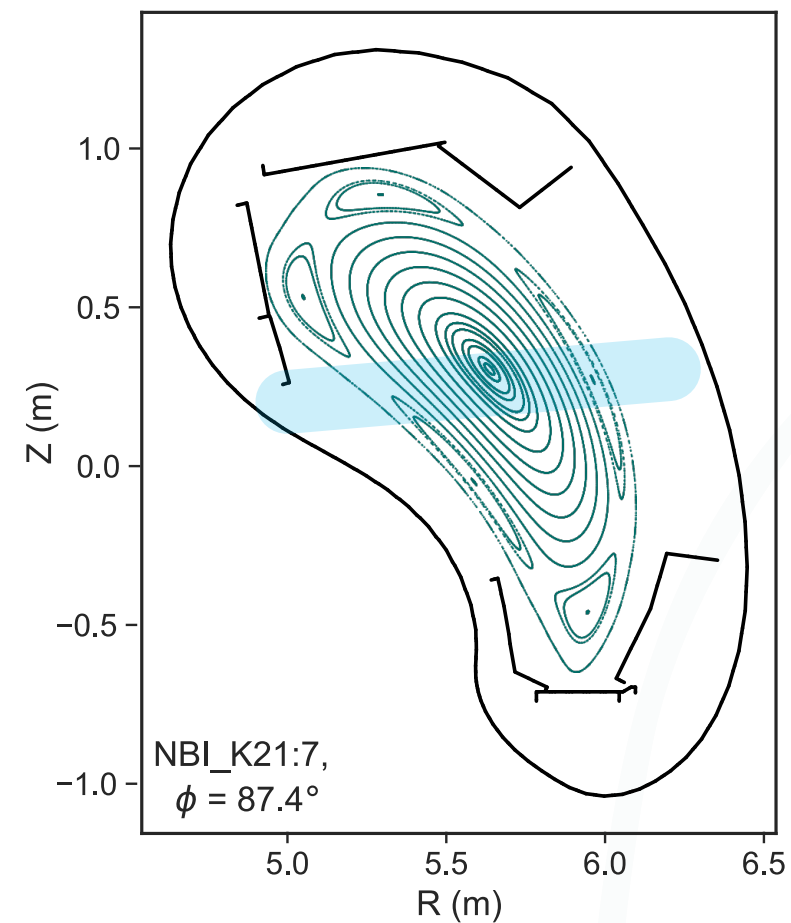


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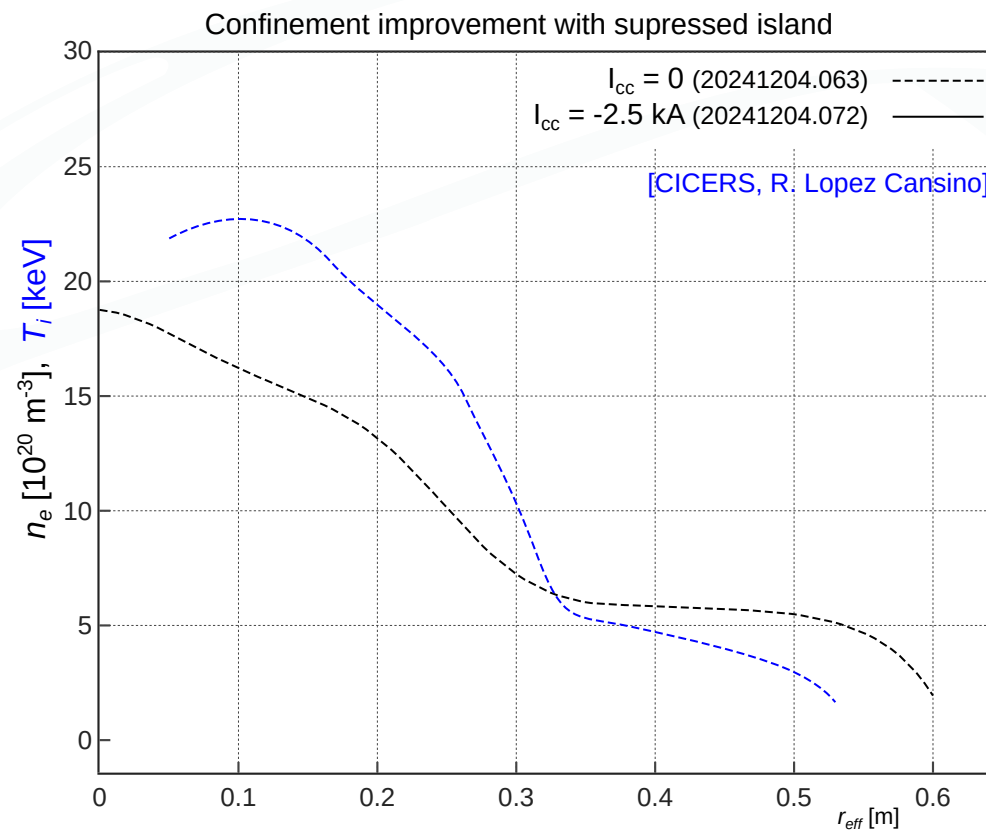
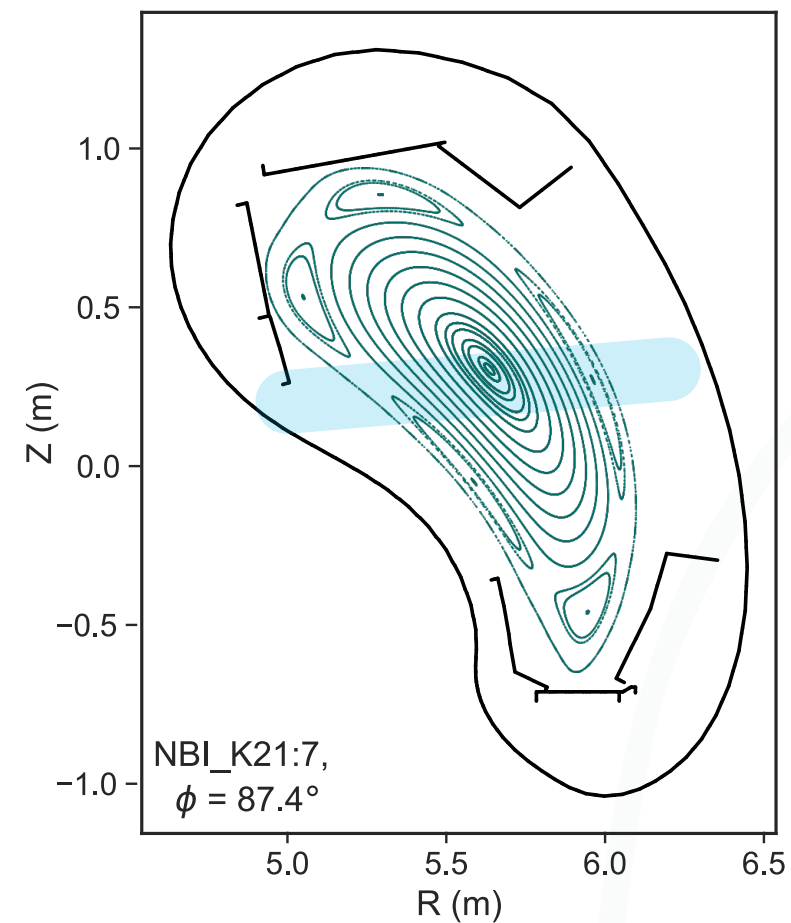
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- FMM002 balance for 2x NBI = 3.5MW ECRH was quite good ($T_i \sim 2.3\text{keV}$, $W_{dia} \sim 1.2\text{ MJ}$)
- FMM002 is a limiter configuration with internal islands.
- T_i is flattened in the islands - visible in 2D with CICERS diagnostic (only in reintroduction phase!).



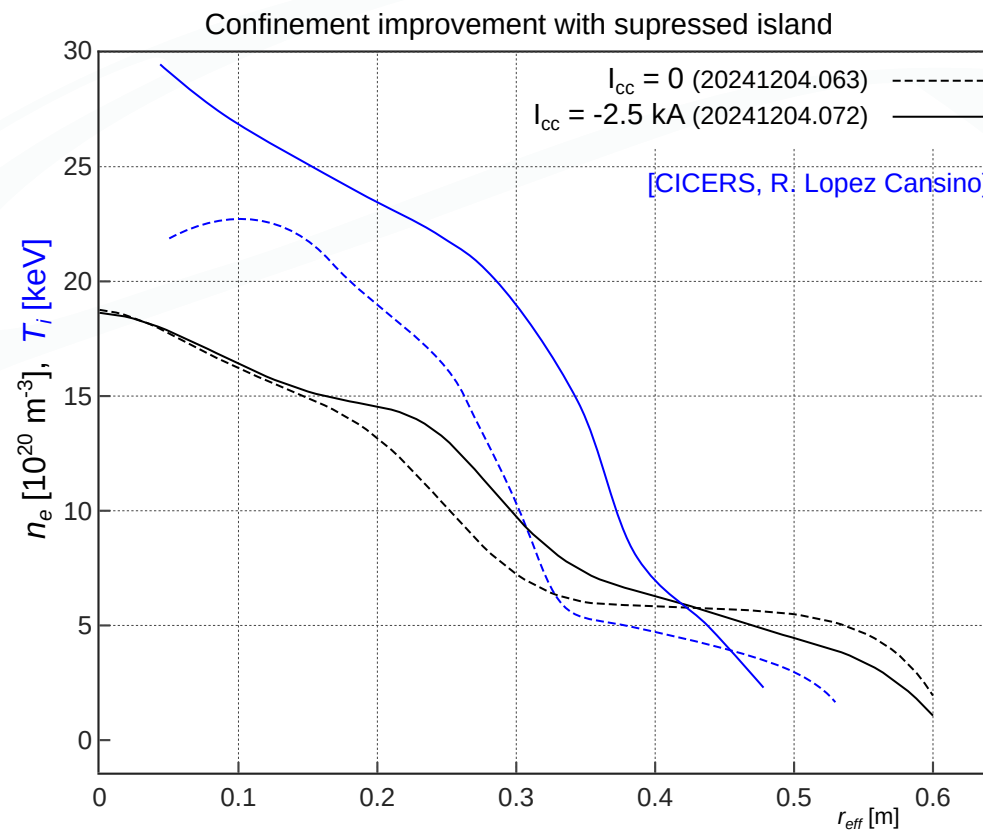
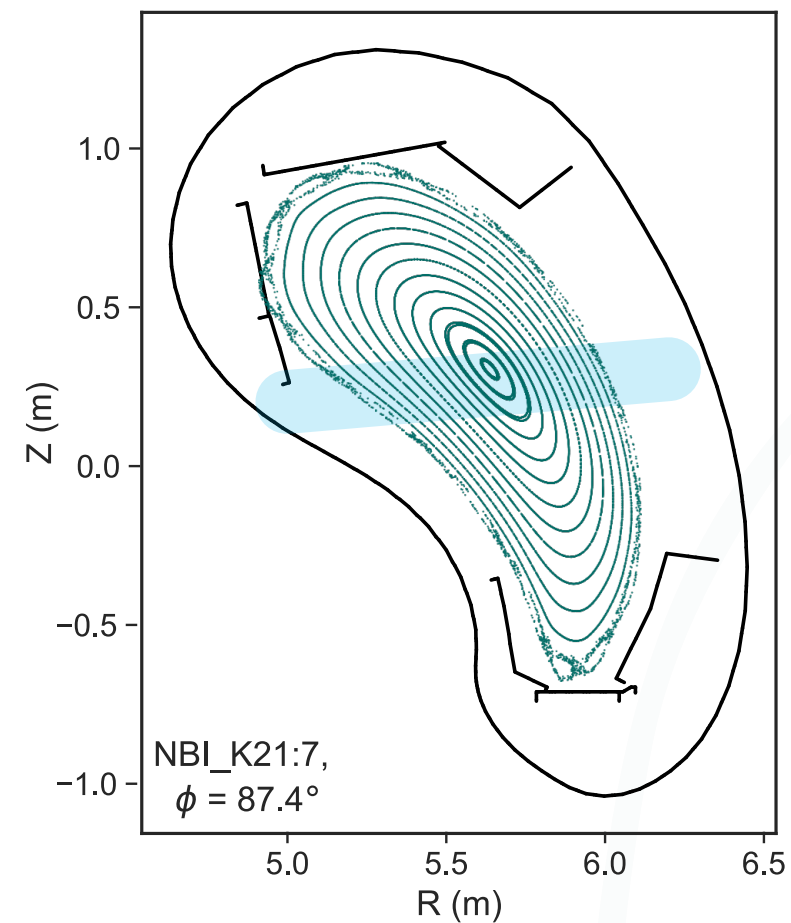
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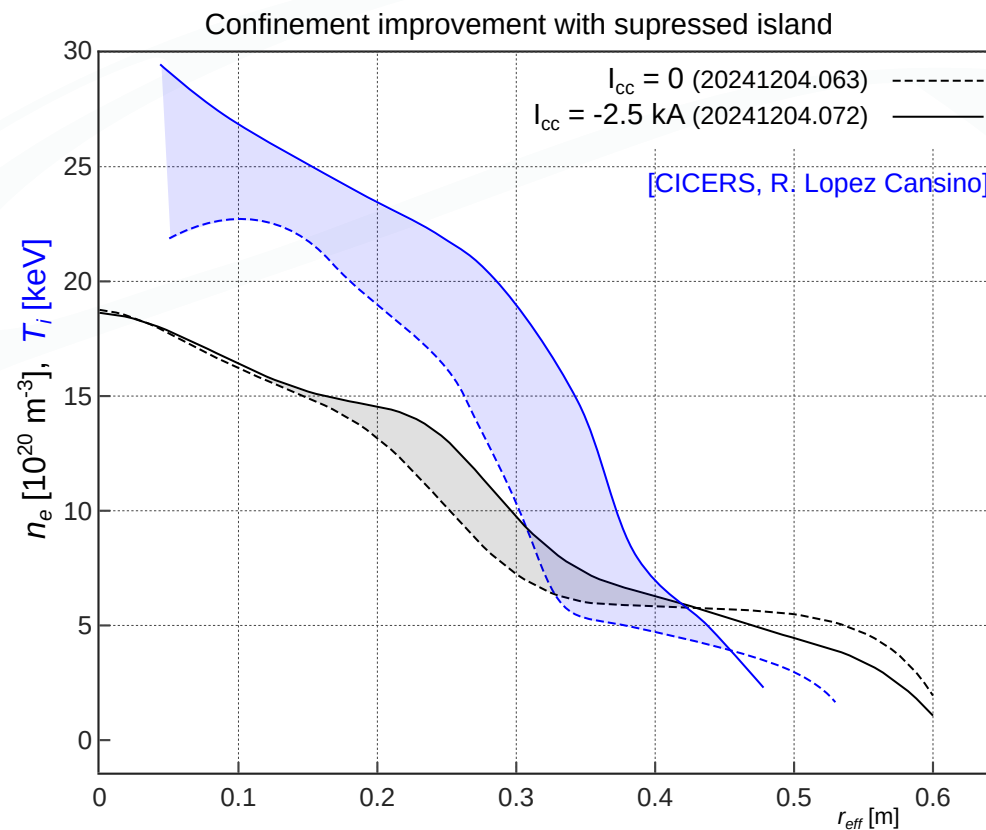
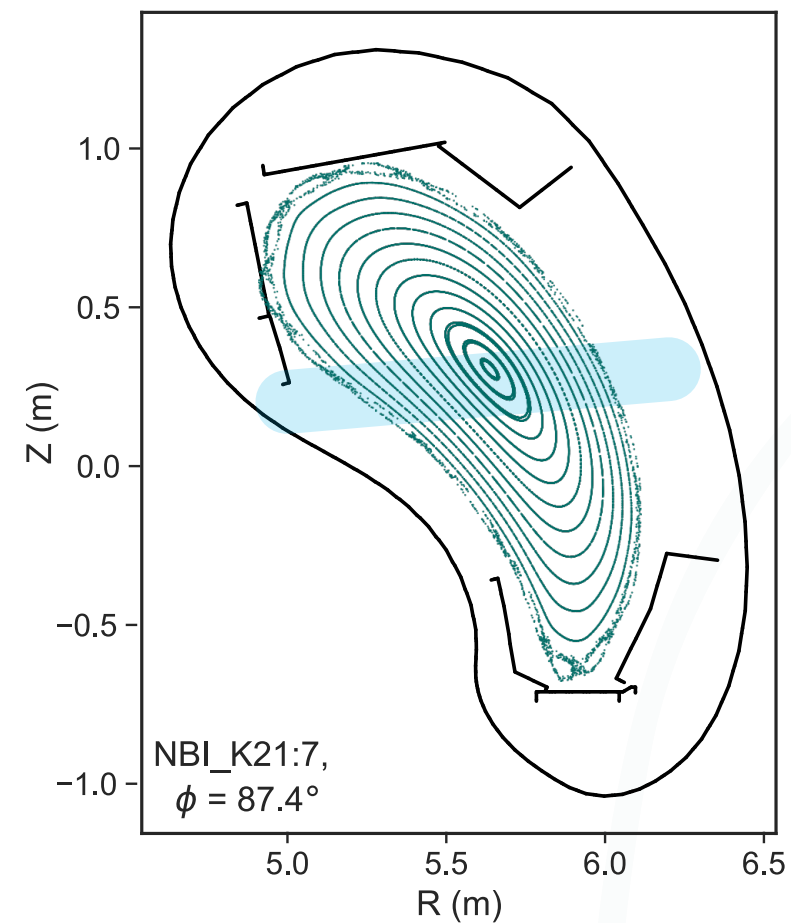
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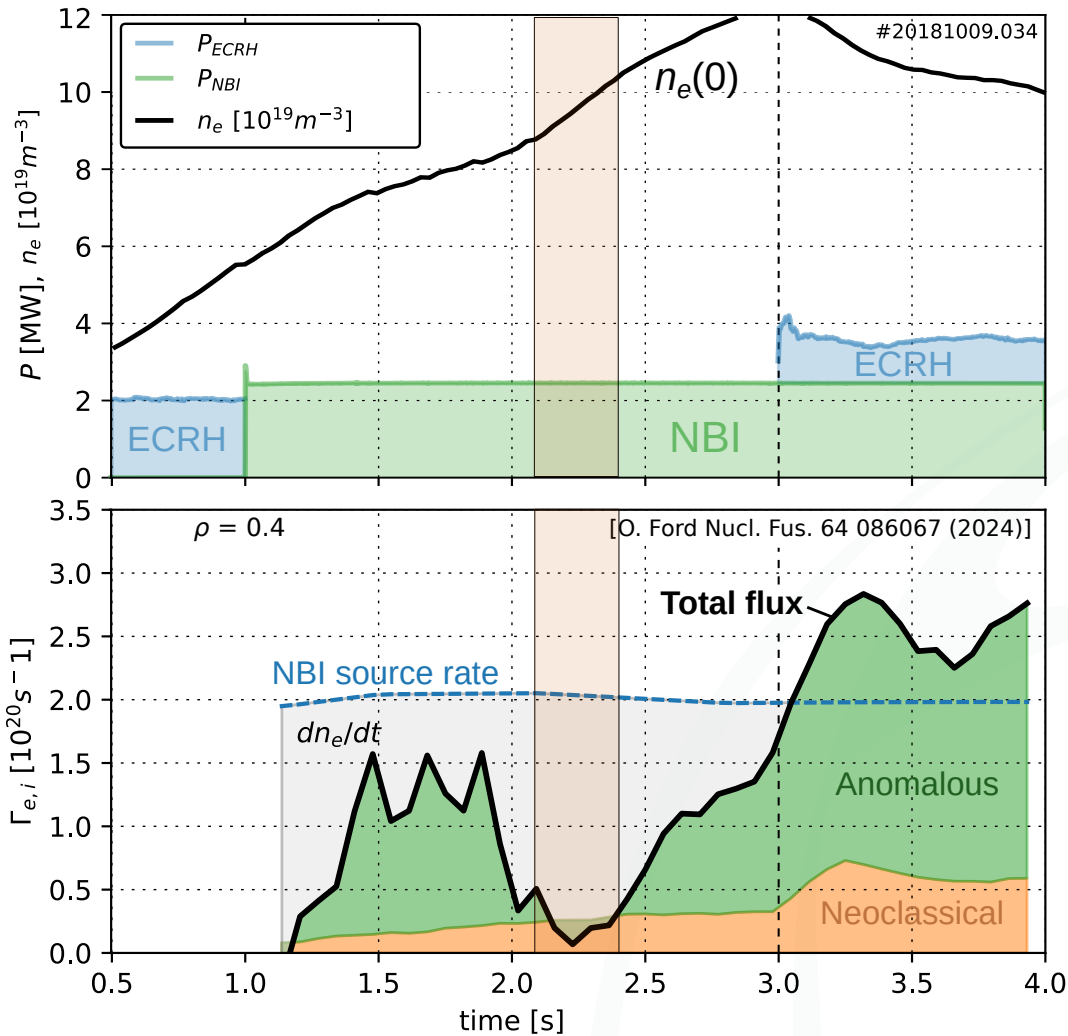


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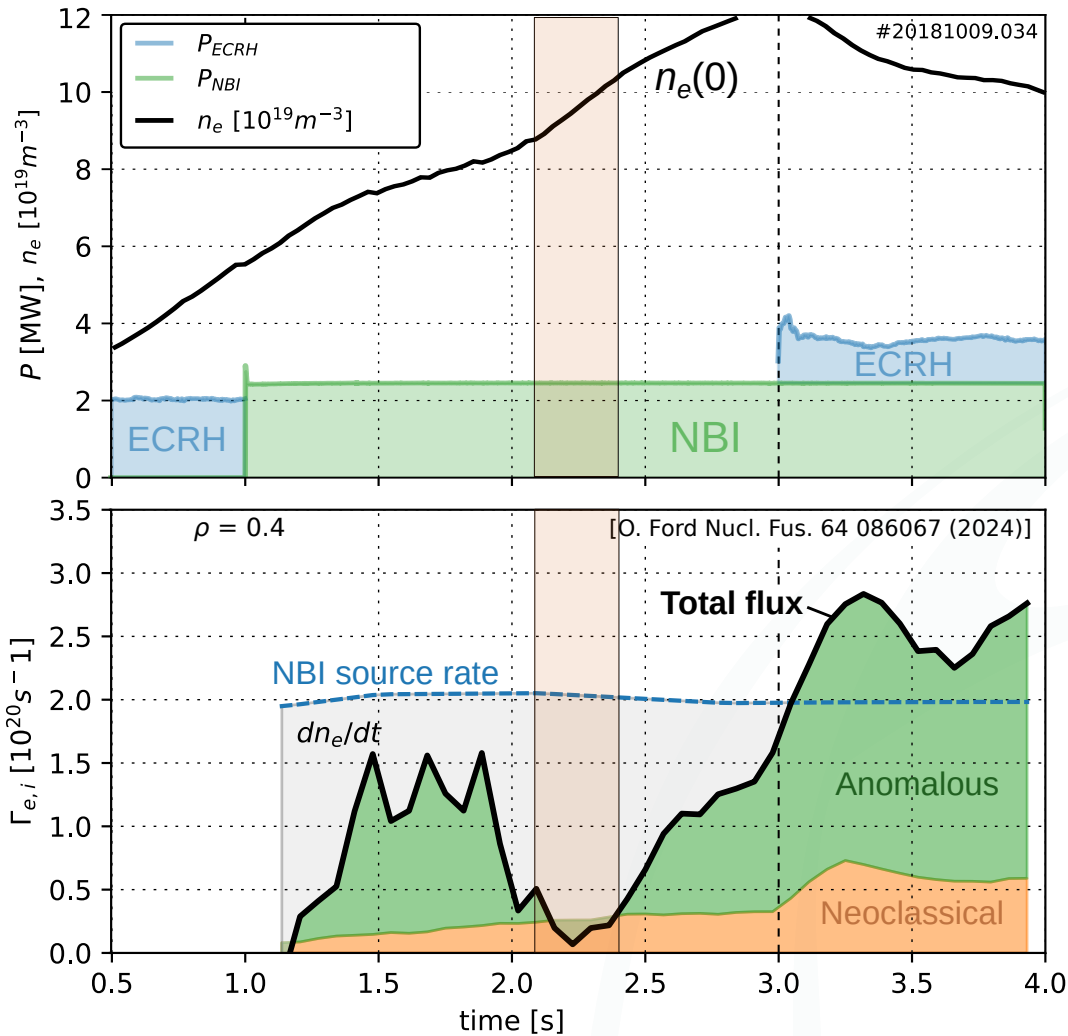
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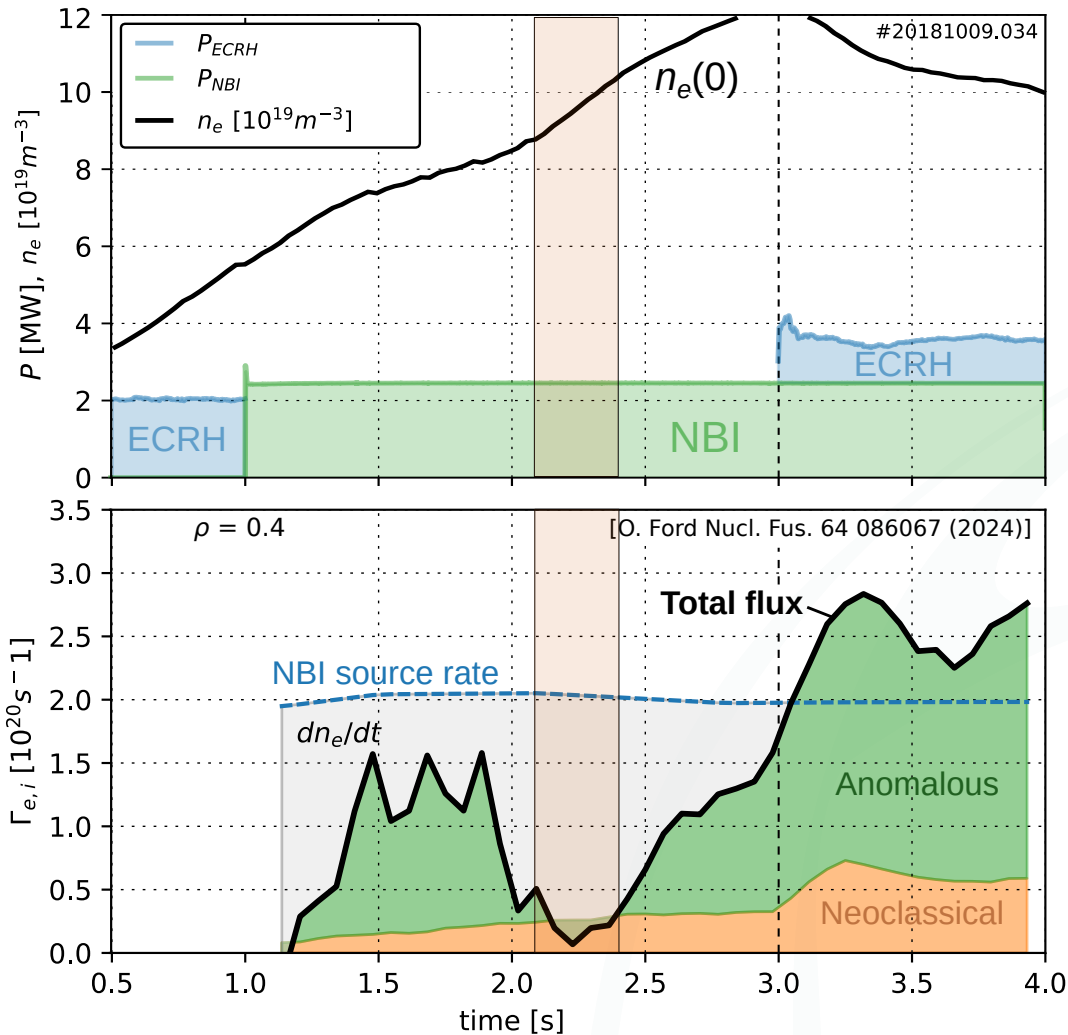


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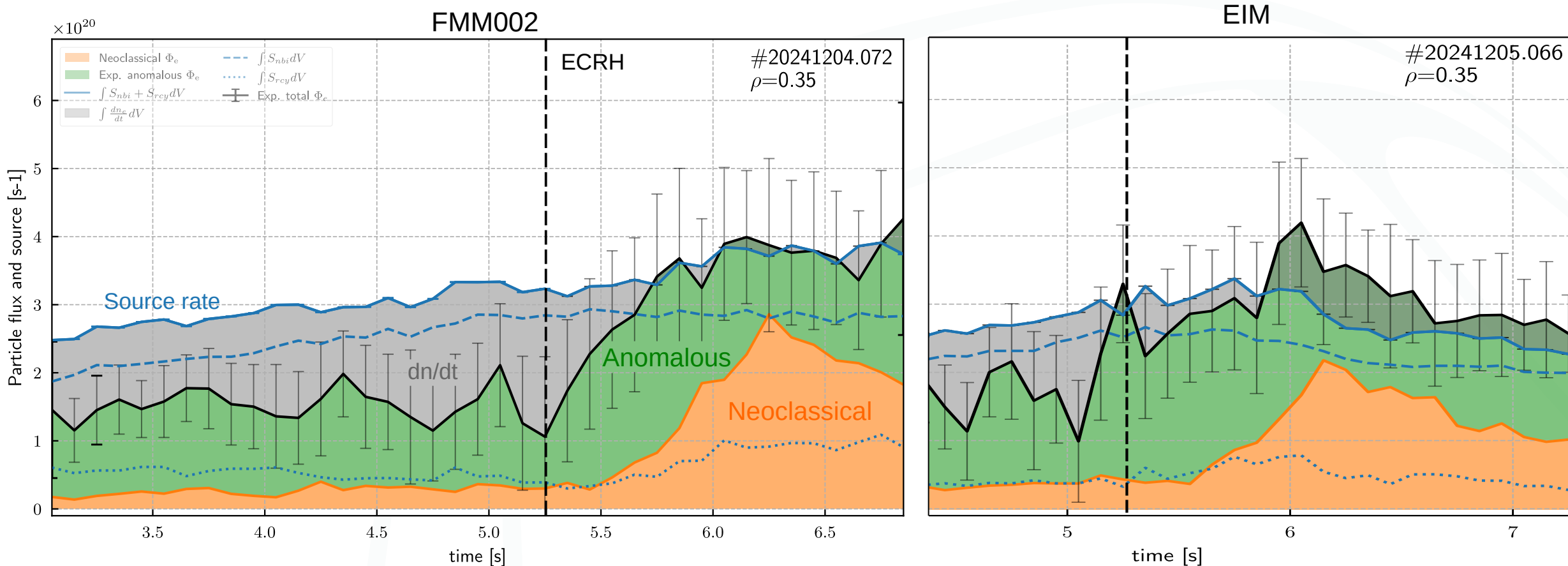
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- 3) NBI power signal and dn/dt seem lower in OP2.2 than OP2.1, but calorimetry says power is the same.
 - > Need BES validation again.

Particle fluxes

- Particle balances of some shots already done [S. Bannmann]
- Neoclassical particle flux is a big part of ECRH pump-out in reintroduction phase. However... not if configurations are different in neoclassical, anomalous or even source (edge density).



Summary



- Overview of the ECRH reintroduction scenario.
 - High T_i / W_{dia} achieved given density gradient in core.
 - Each configuration has a specific ECRH/NBI balance to maintain the density gradient.
- Record shot had three main ingredients:
 - 1) Balance ECRH pump-out. Use FMM002 has balance with maximum ECRH power.
 - 2) Tune field strength for best ECRH absorption to avoid sniffer interlock.
 - 3) Suppress/shrink islands in FMM002 to avoid T_i flattening.
- Data analysis beginning. Spreadsheet of 43 reintroduction shots with main values.
- Lots of data to still be carefully checked:
 - Interferometry corrections
 - NBI power / particle deposition.
 - Good TS profiles
 - T_i profiles from main CXRS and CICERS.
 - E_r profiles from CXRS and DR
 - Particle balance
 - Power balance
 - Turbulence simulations