

# **Preliminary analysis of JET 99896/5**

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# Overview

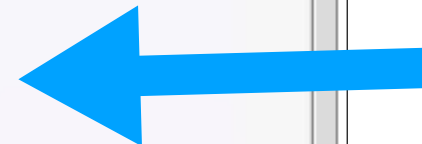
- Objectives:
  - perform time-dependent analysis on experimental DT data using IMAS-integrated EP-Stability-WF
  - validation of model hierarchy
  - get valuable insights into the dataset given by transport code; identify potential problems
  - identify with certainty effects that need to be studied (linear vs non-linear)
- Known problems:
  - No NBI distributions are present in the IDS (using Maxwellian equivalent)
  - treatment fast pressure perpendicular component (H) (19.02.2024 report JET data)

# EP-Stability WF - Interface

- The aim of the WF is to perform an automated linear stability analysis on different time slices of a projected scenario or reconstructed experimental equilibrium.
- First time-dependent workflow which makes use of the IMAS infrastructure and various codes.
- **Scope:**
  - Connect the numerical tools with the data infrastructure (IMAS).
  - Facilitates retrieving/saving data from the DB through XML files.
  - Fast configuration of numerical tools.

Preparation for JET experiment analysis:

- generalisation to up to 5 EP species
- Fast Ion/Thermal/Total density checks
- extend LIGKA interface to more than 2 EP species
- various checks and tests introduced



The image displays five overlapping windows from the EP-Stability Workflow interface:

- EP WORKFLOW:** Contains 'WORKFLOW PARAMETERS' (user, machine, shot\_nr, run\_in, machine\_out, run\_out, itime), 'FURTHER SETTINGS' (ligka\_541, ligka\_5412, pulse\_list, fast\_particles, hdf5, mpi\_processes), and 'ACTOR SELECTION' (Equilibrium\_code\_chease, Equilibrium\_code, Distributions\_1, Distributions\_2, Orbit\_Finder, Stability\_code). It also has buttons for 'Save Configuration', 'Save and Run', 'Save Configuration as', 'Load Configuration', 'Restore Default', 'Exit', and 'Scenario Summary Choice'.
- LIGKA PARAMETERS:** Lists parameters like modus, min\_n\_tor, max\_n\_tor, min\_m, max\_m, sidebands, sidebands\_asy, mode\_type, even, cocp, zof, start\_pos, force\_m, npsi\_out, kr\_read, q0, rad\_start, rad\_end, and offset\_d. Includes a 'Save LIGKA Configuration' button.
- HELENA PARAMETERS:** Lists parameters like nr, np, nrmap, npmap, nchi, shot\_number, run, user, machine, itime\_s, itime\_e, ids\_time\_s, ids\_time\_e, run\_out, user\_out, machine\_out, and write\_out. Includes a 'Save HELENA Configuration' button.
- SCENARIO PARAMETERS:** Lists parameters like n\_e, n\_H, n\_D, n\_T, n\_Be, n\_C, n\_Ne, n\_He4\_ash, n\_He4\_EP, T\_e, T\_H, T\_D, T\_T, T\_Be, T\_C, T\_Ne, T\_He4\_ash, T\_He4\_EP, and DT. Includes a 'Save SCENARIO Configuration' button.
- SPECIES SETTINGS:** Divided into 'Electrons', 'Bulk Ions' (H, D, T), 'Impurities' (Be, Ne, He4, C, Tu, Ar), and 'Fast Ions' (H, D, T, He4). Includes a 'Save Species Configuration' button.

# EP-WF - Actor level

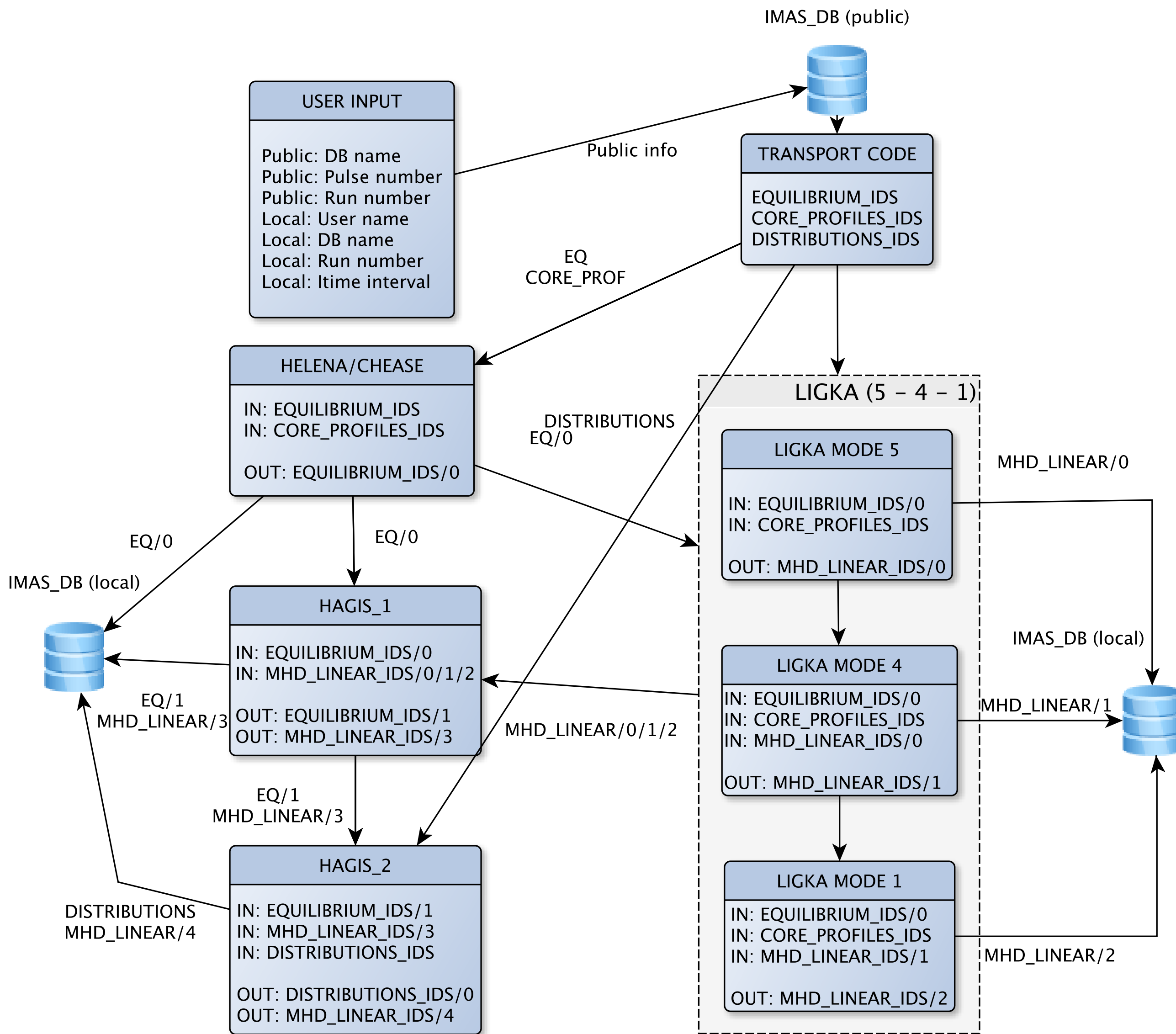
Added in preparation for JET experiment analysis:

- LIGKA extensive modification and testing regarding multiple species of fast/thermal ions.
- Given the high pressure from fast ions, some solvers (kinetic continuum, global solver) had to be tuned (e.g. numerical settings; complex plane integration domains,...)

- Preparing ATEP for JET data

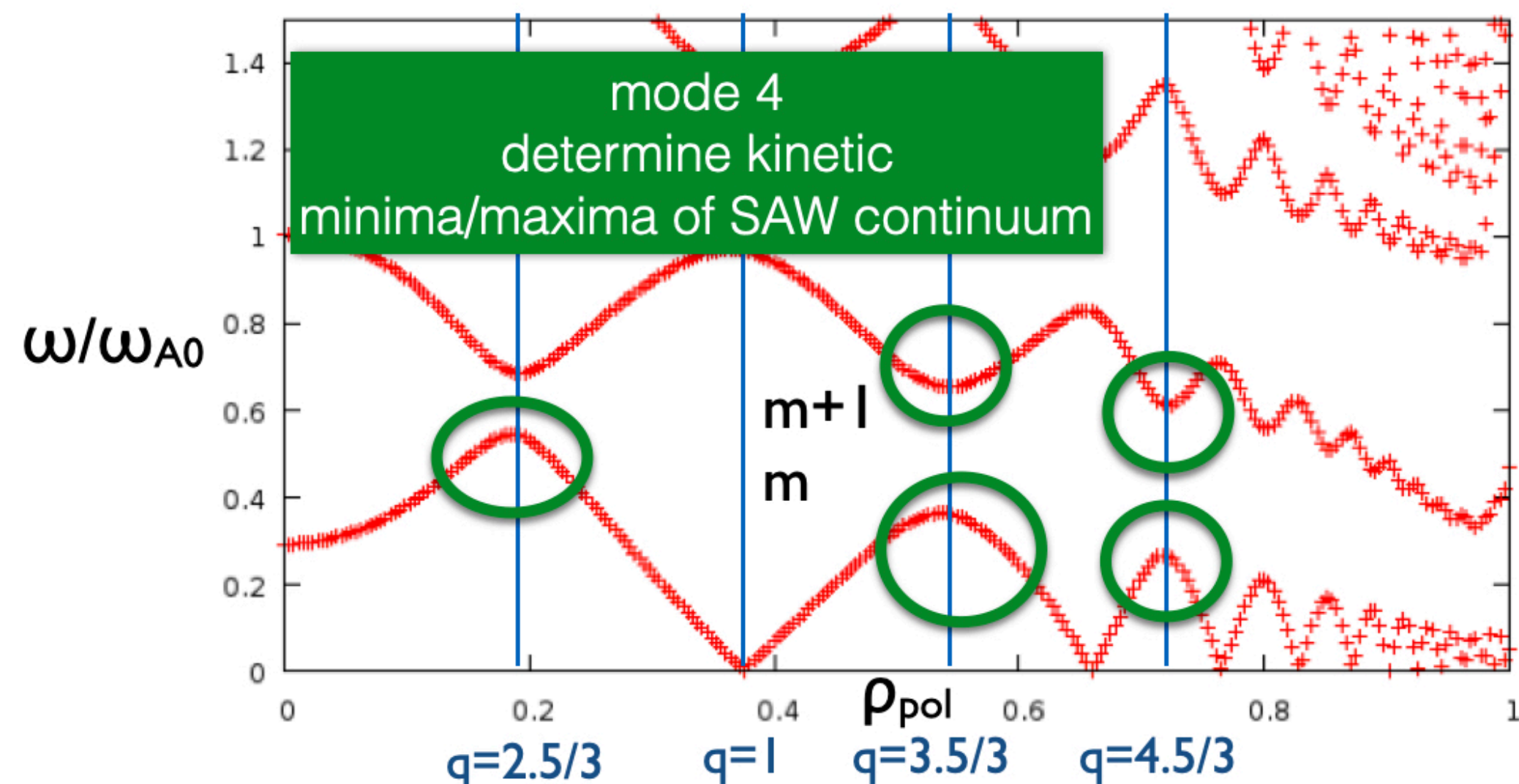
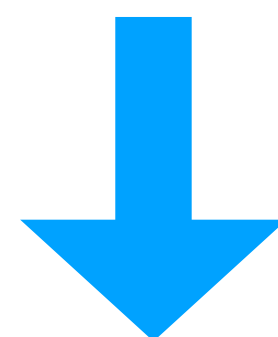
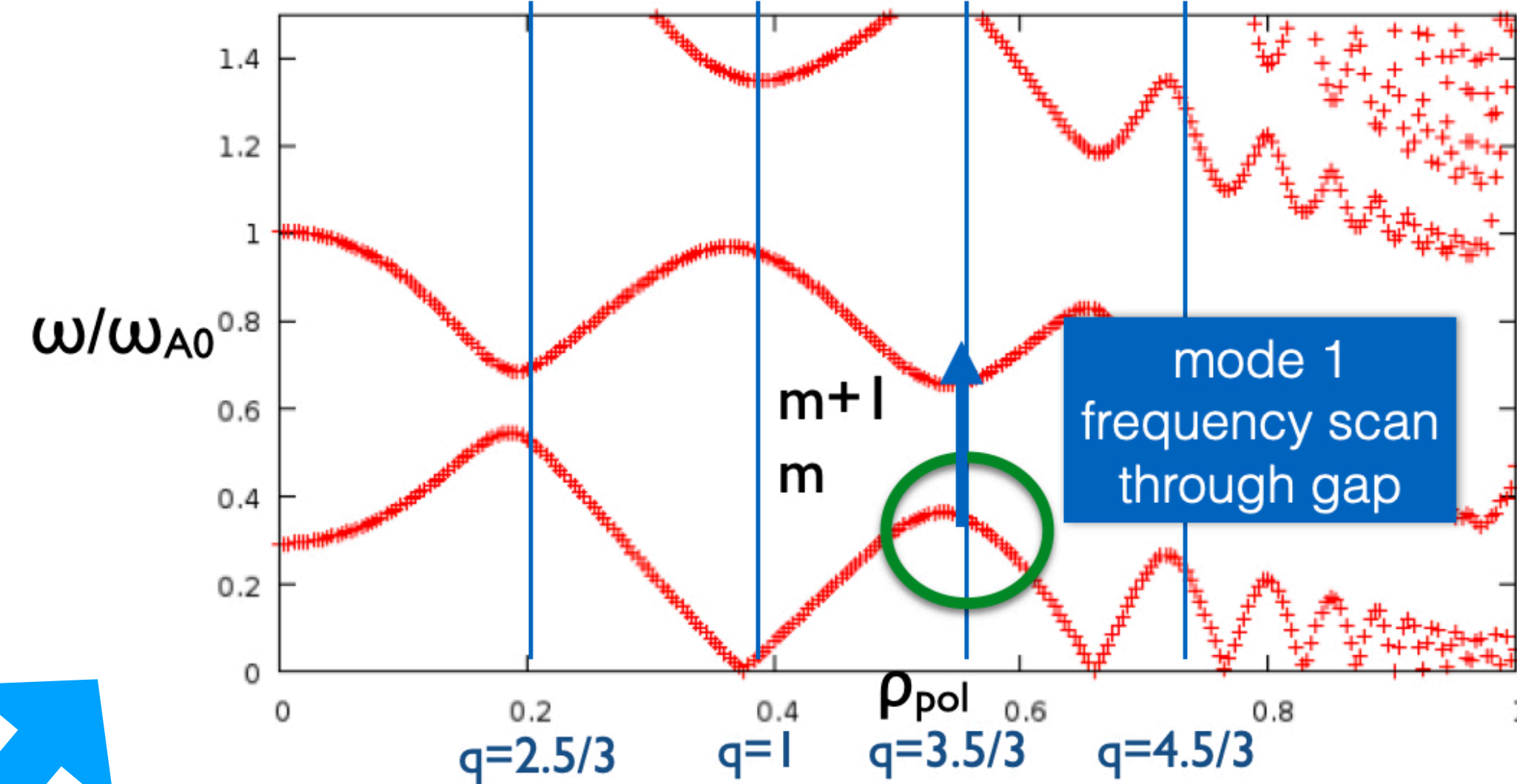
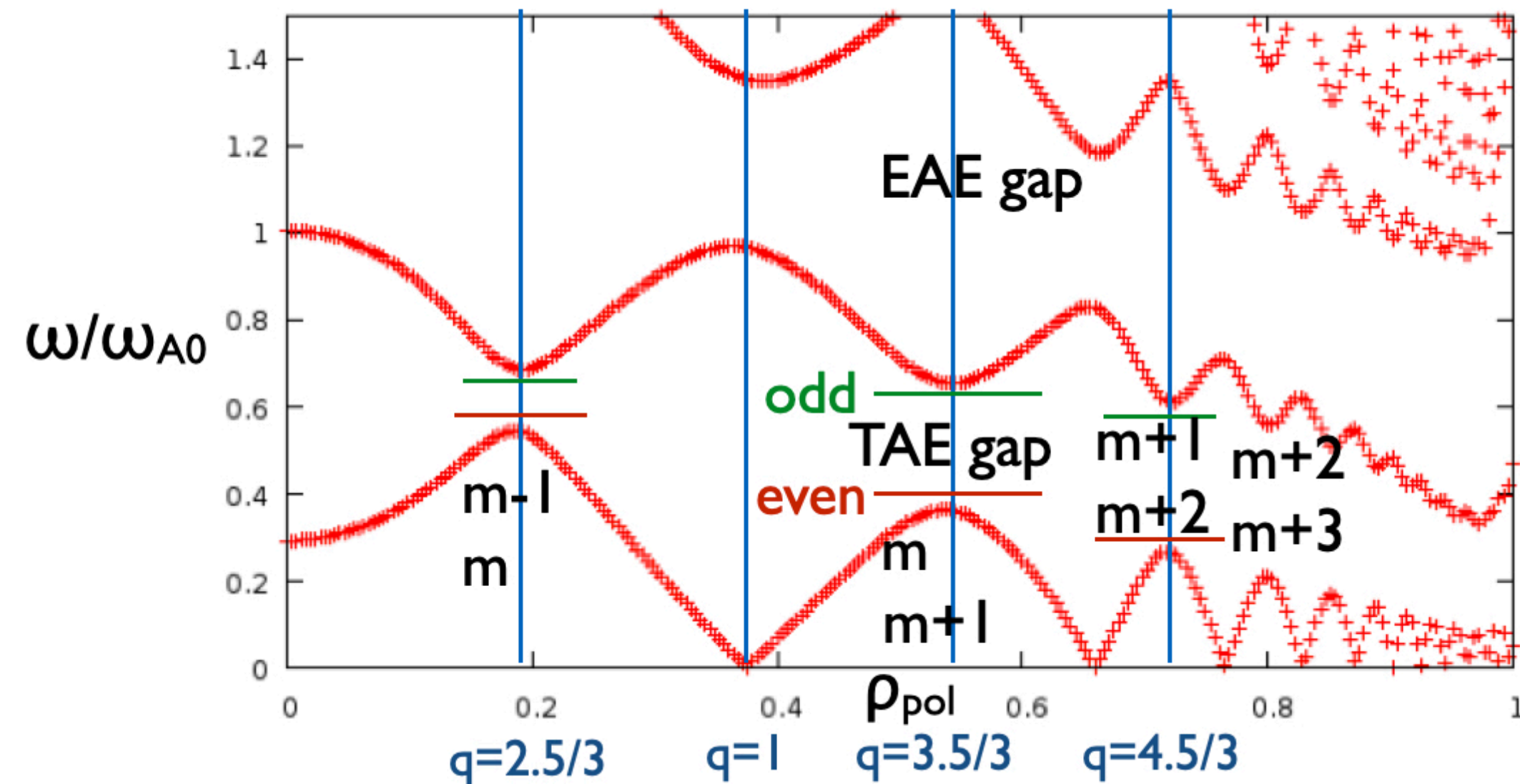
## • Maintenance cycle of actors + WF:

- Actors are self contained codes that can act independently or as part of a workflow.
- They are continuously tested and maintained via versions (different modules in sdcc/gw)
- On top of that we have the EP-Stability-WF integrated testing.
- When testing the wf, we also test the integration of LIGKA + HELENA/CHEASE inside the WF (2x testing for actors)
- Testing happens automatically at every push of every piece of code (via automated bamboo tests)



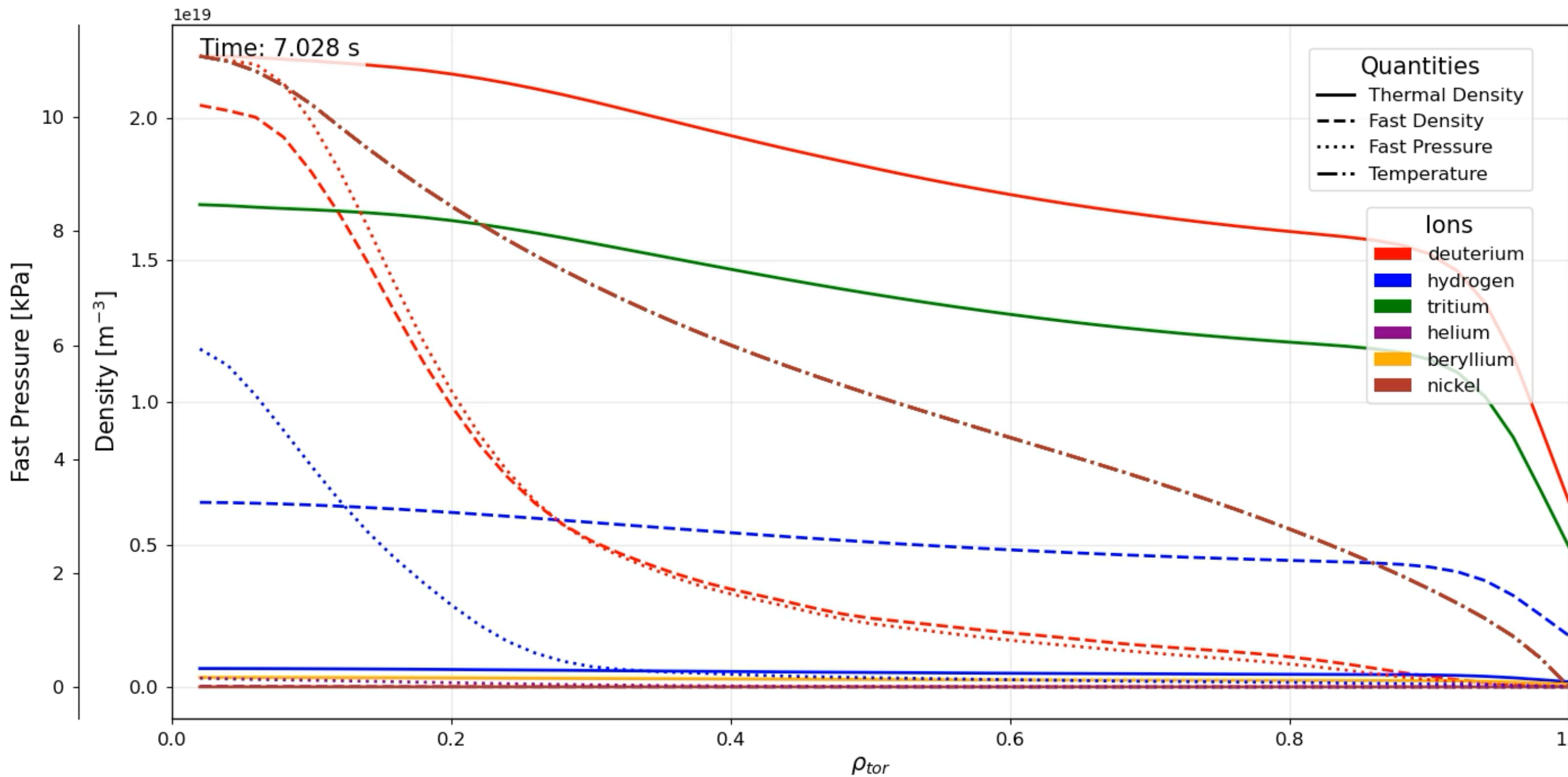
$$q=(m+1/2)/n$$

# LIGKA - summary

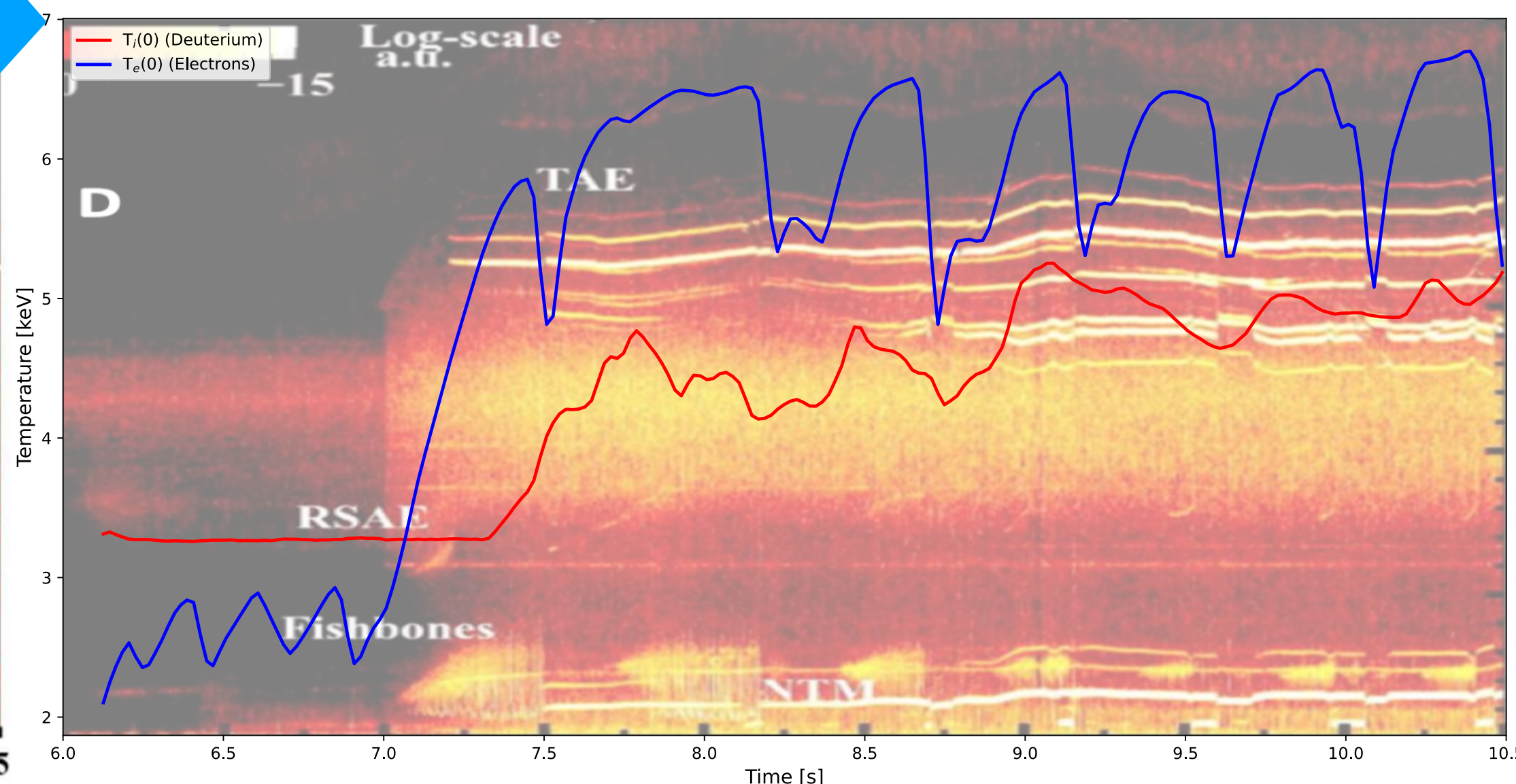
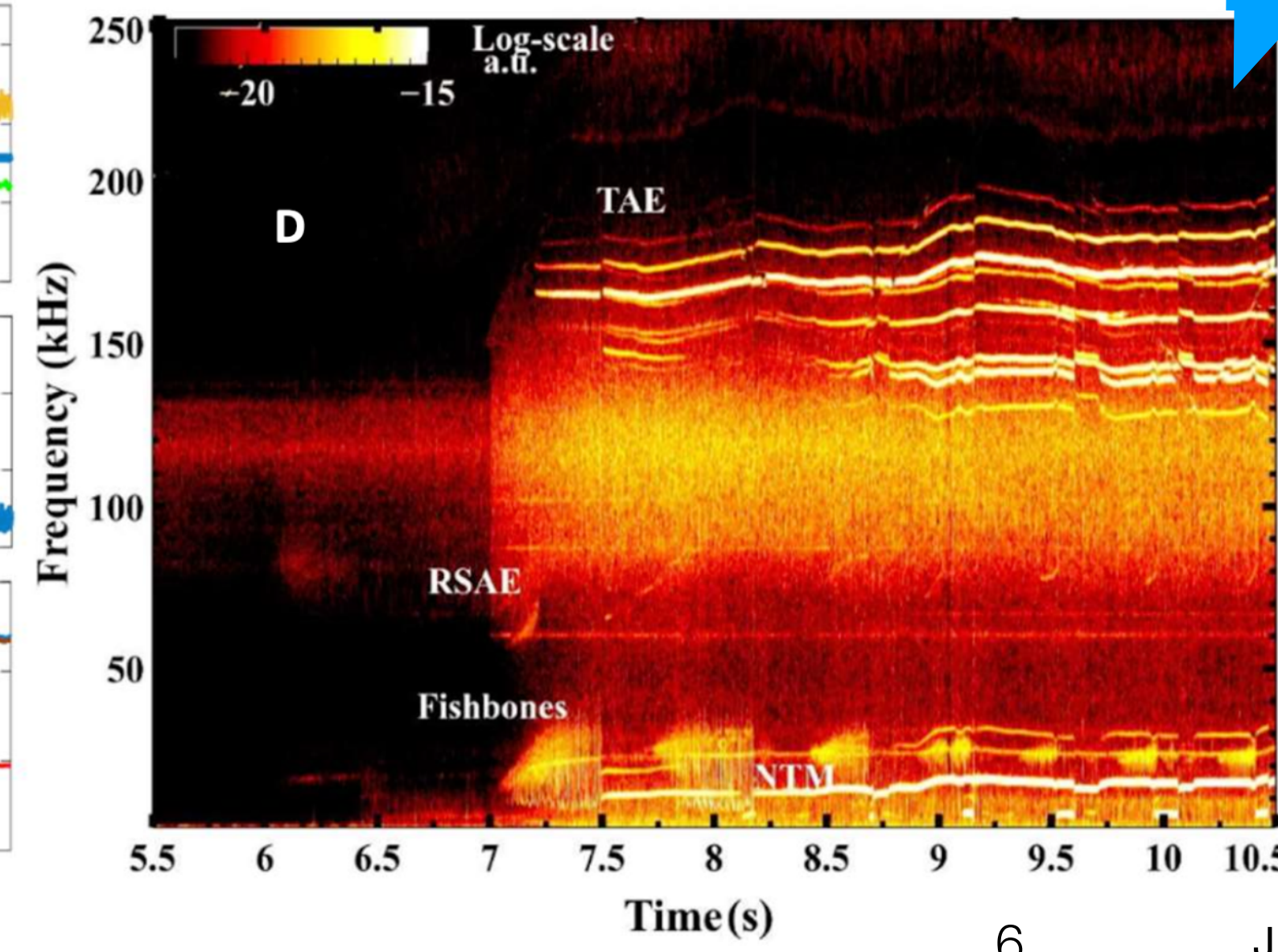
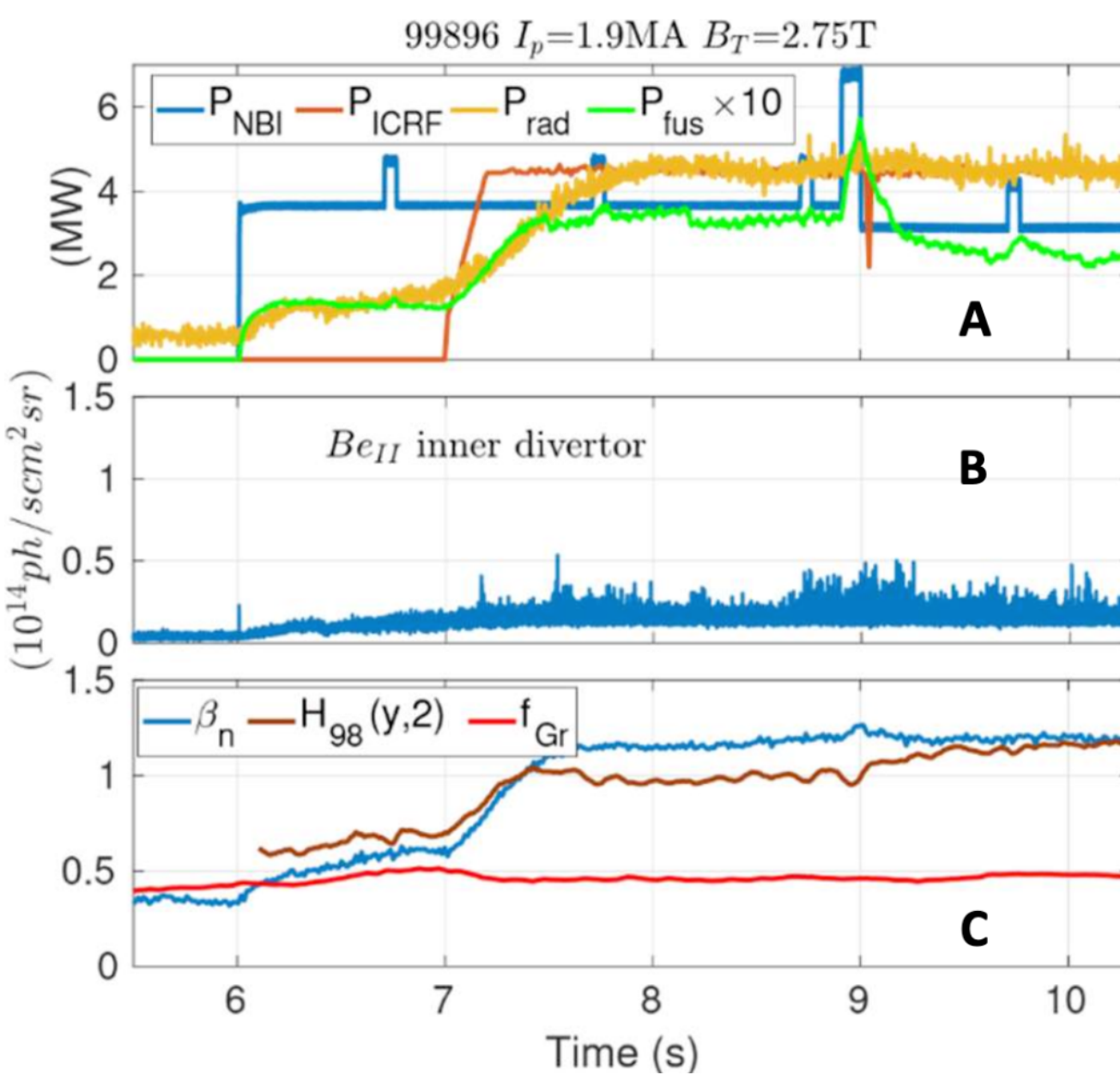


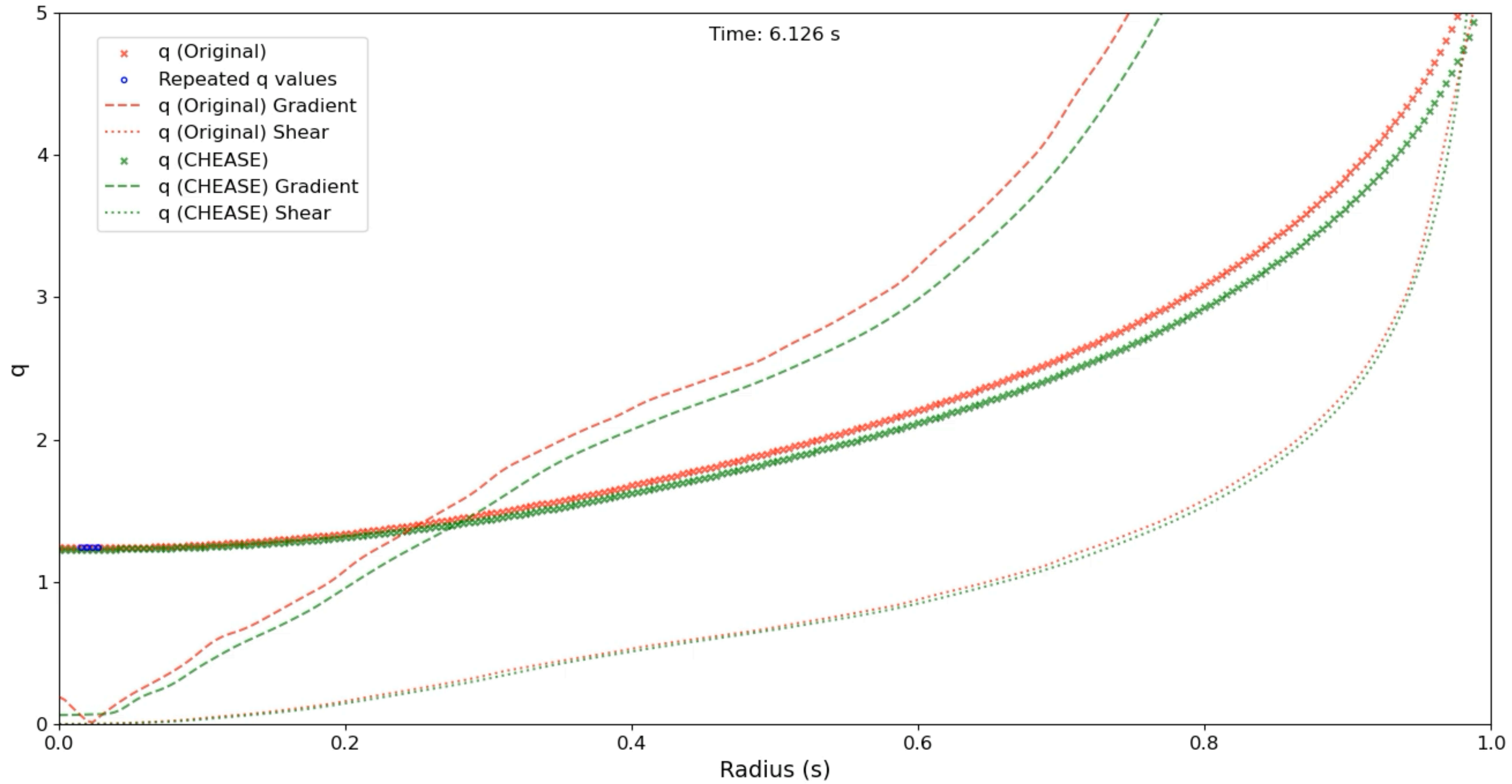
- LIGKA: solves linearized gyrokinetic equations to obtain eigenvalues and eigenfunctions.
  - Model 5 (analytical): local analytical estimates of various AEs properties
  - Model 4 (local): local analytical dispersion relation for one AE (n,m-pair), giving a good estimate for ion LD (Landau Damping) and local electron LD.
  - Model 1 (global): find linear properties of AEs, i.e. the location of the global AE in the gap.
  - Model 2 (global, refined): find the phase jump during the frequency scan, more accurate growth/damping rate.
  - Model 6/3: reduced MHD/kinetic spectrum.

# JET - DT - 99896/5

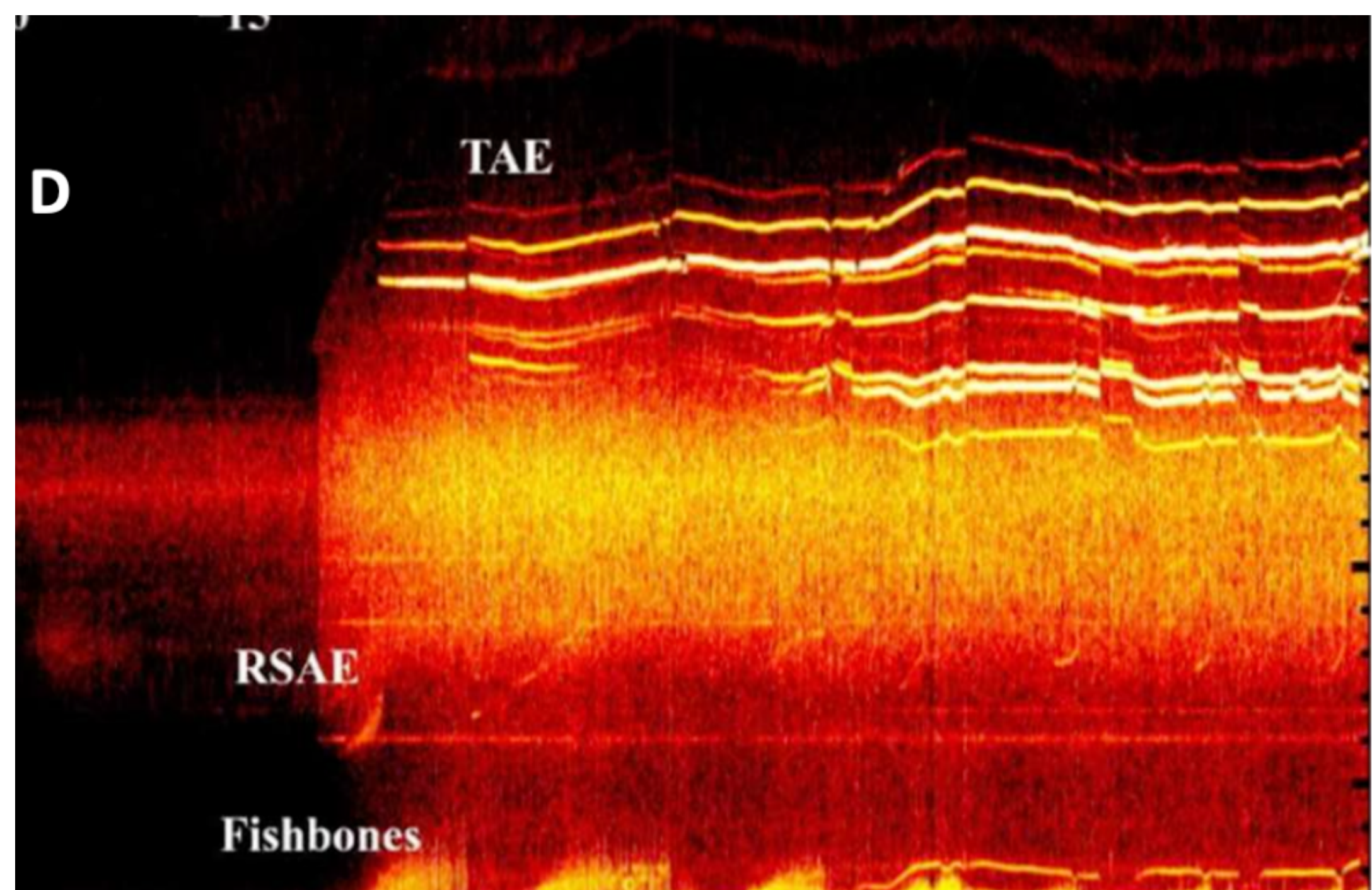


- 50-50 D-T ~58/42
- ICRF = 4.5MW. NBI ~ 3.5MW, D beams < 9 s and T > 9s. P\_fusion ~ 0.5MW
- T<sub>i</sub> is very transient even during 1 sawtooth crash comparison (8.3s-8.7s).
- T<sub>i</sub> already decreases before the crash at 8.75s
- The mode activity is increased (more TAEs+larger fishbones: not only stabilizing)
- Use linear time-dependence analysis to see linear vs non-linear effects



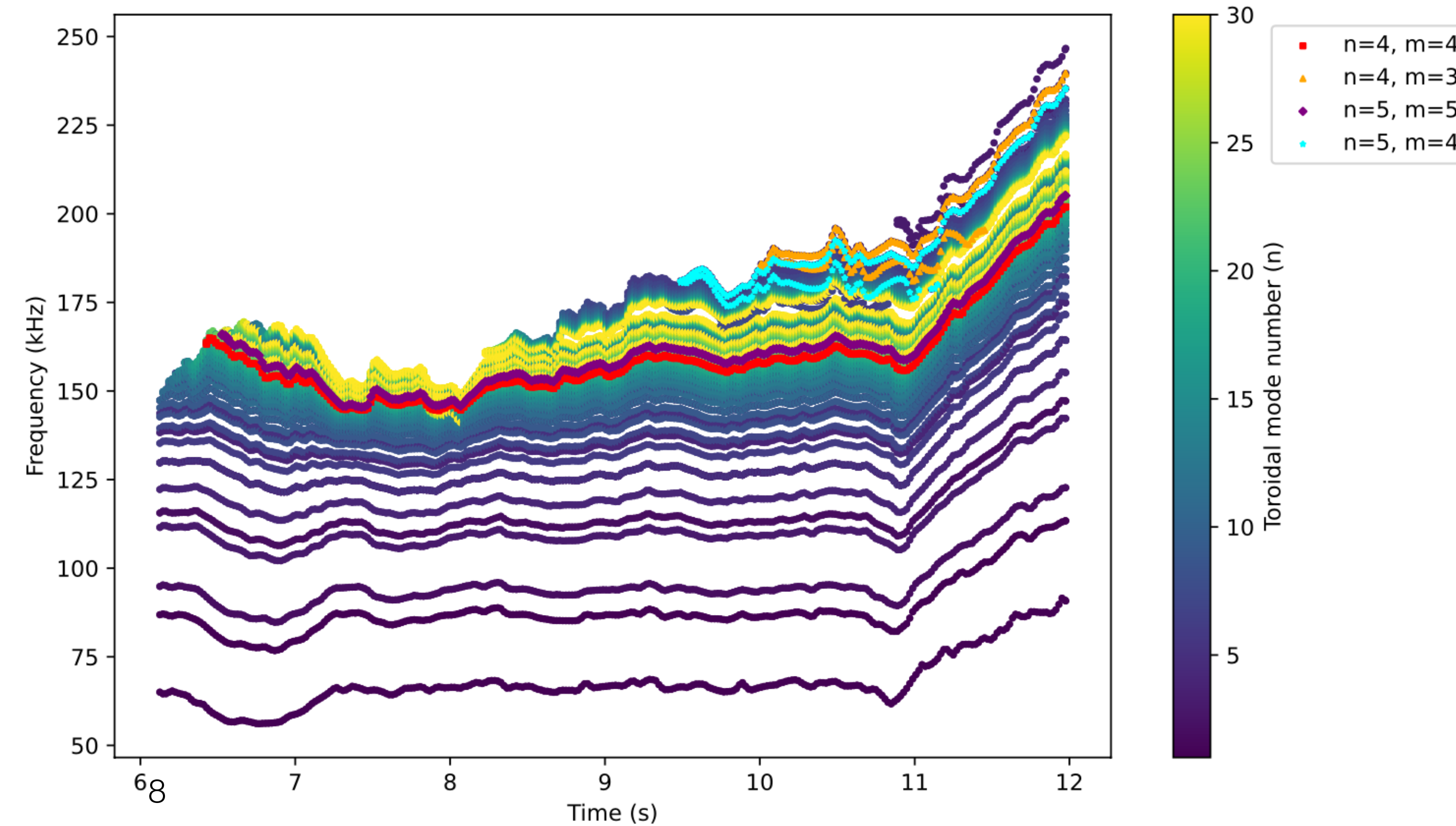


- $q$ -profile is decreasing during the discharge
- slightly reversed  $q$ -profile
- no sawtooth dynamics included
- we cannot expect direct correspondence to the experiment:  $q=1$  constrained equilibria are needed



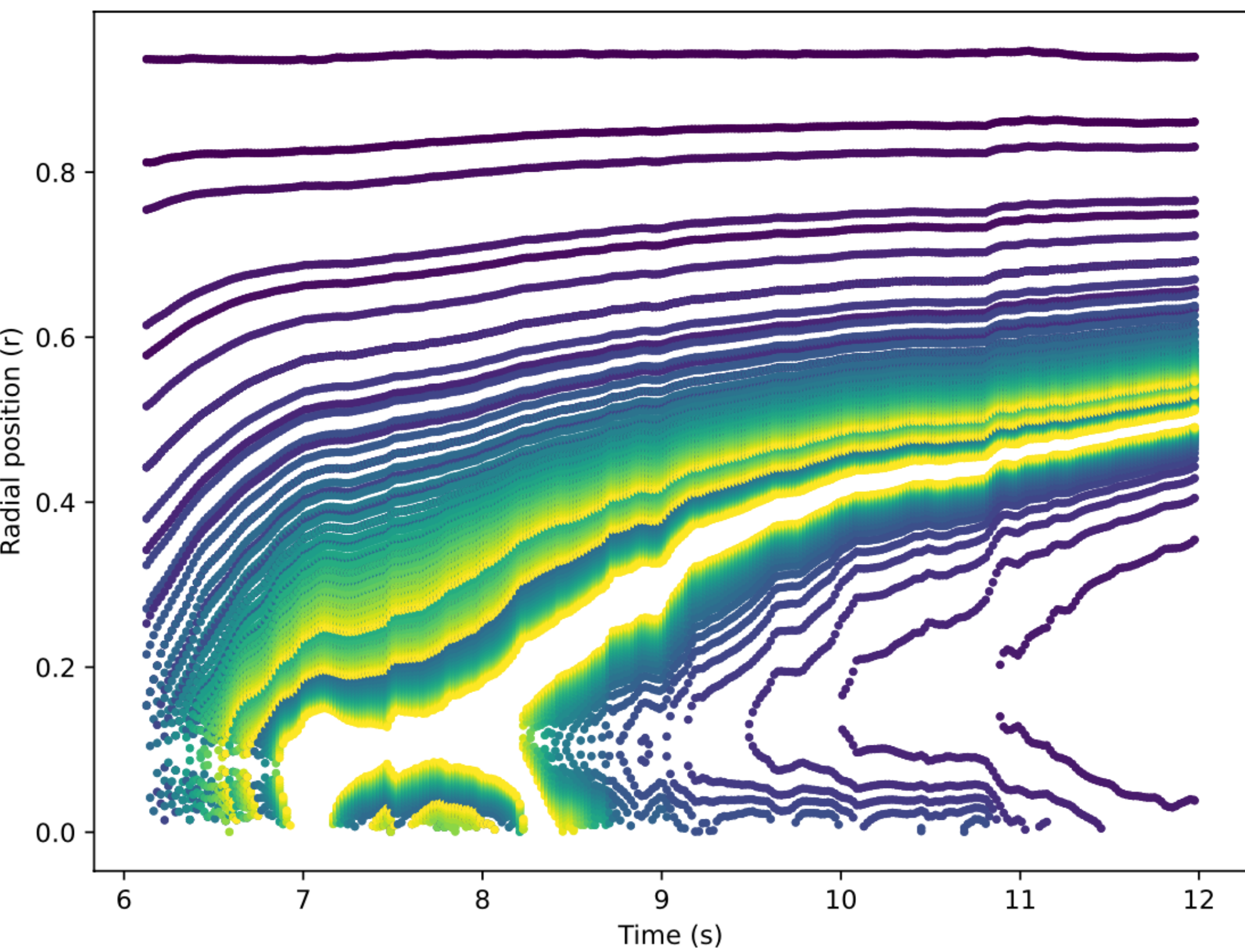
## local analytical model: TAE frequency

- $n = 1 \dots 30$
- $m = n-1 \dots n+3$
- number of modes = 32k (45 min runtime (including equilibrium calculations))
- frequencies roughly constant; after 11s Alfvén frequency decreases, so the mode frequency increases
- $q_{TAE} = (m+1/2)/n$



- $n, m = 4, 4$  and  $5, 5$  exist across the discharge
- $(4, 3)$  and in general  $(n, n-1)$  due to the  $q$  profile will not exist everywhere

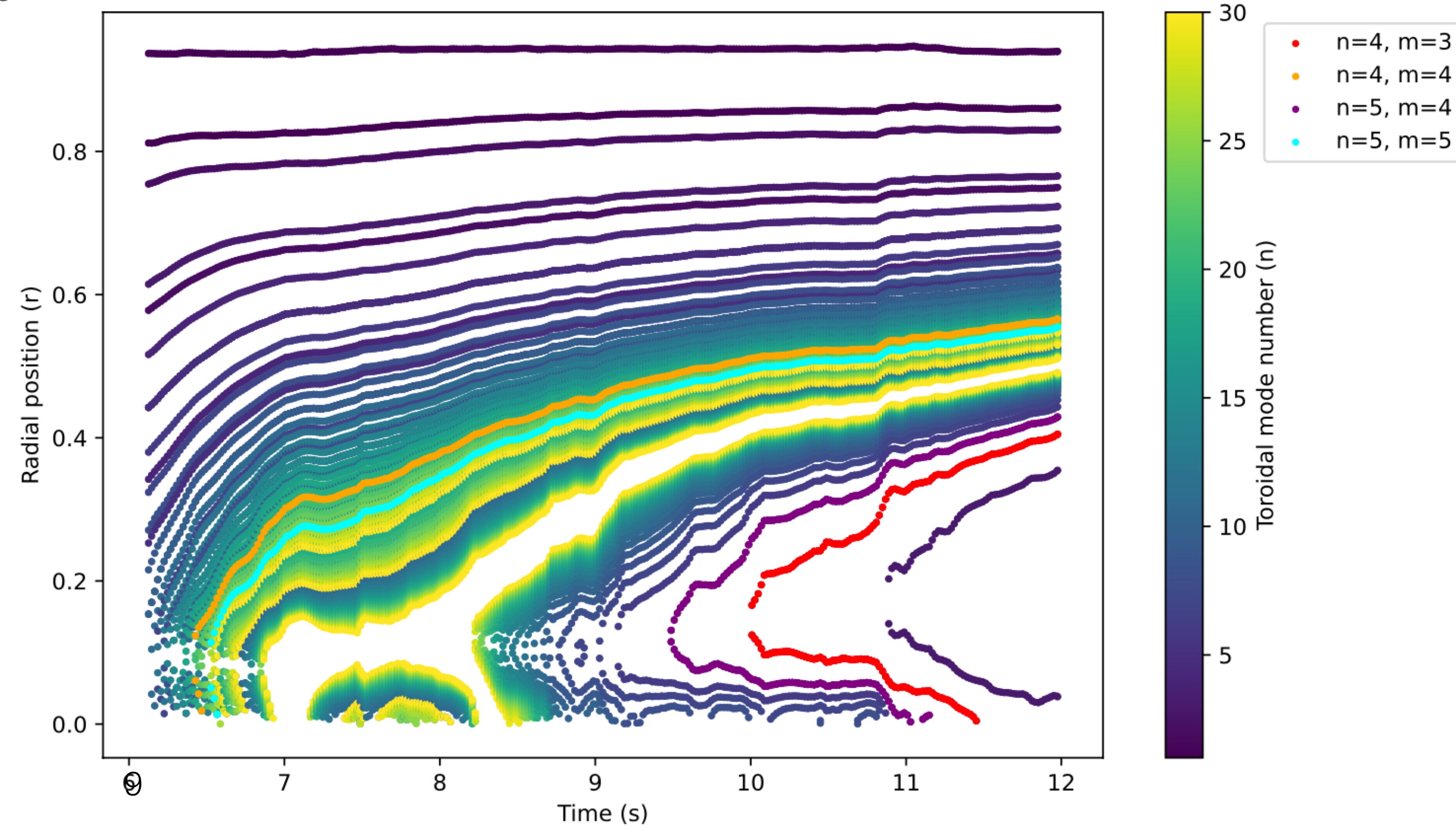


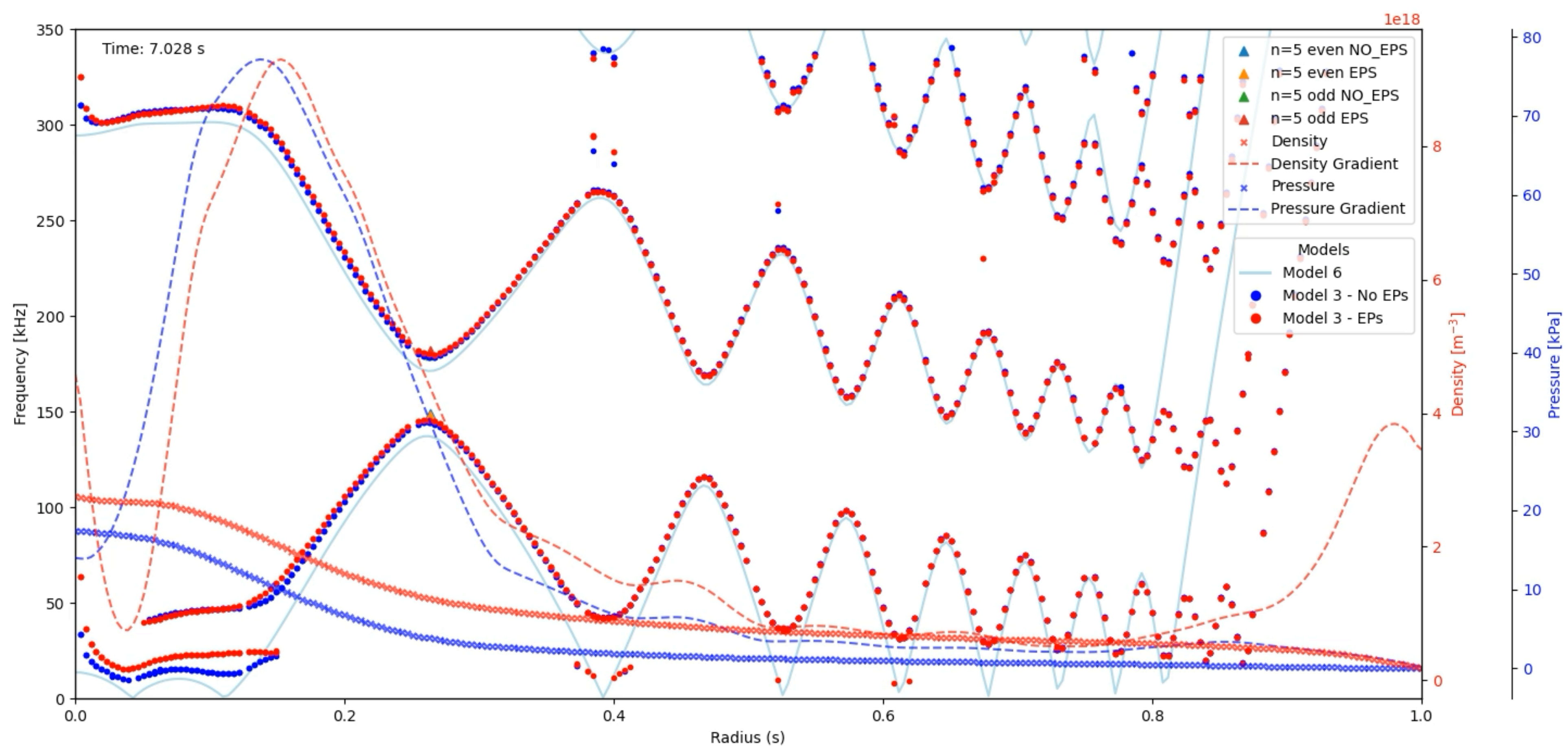


# local analytical model: TAE radial location

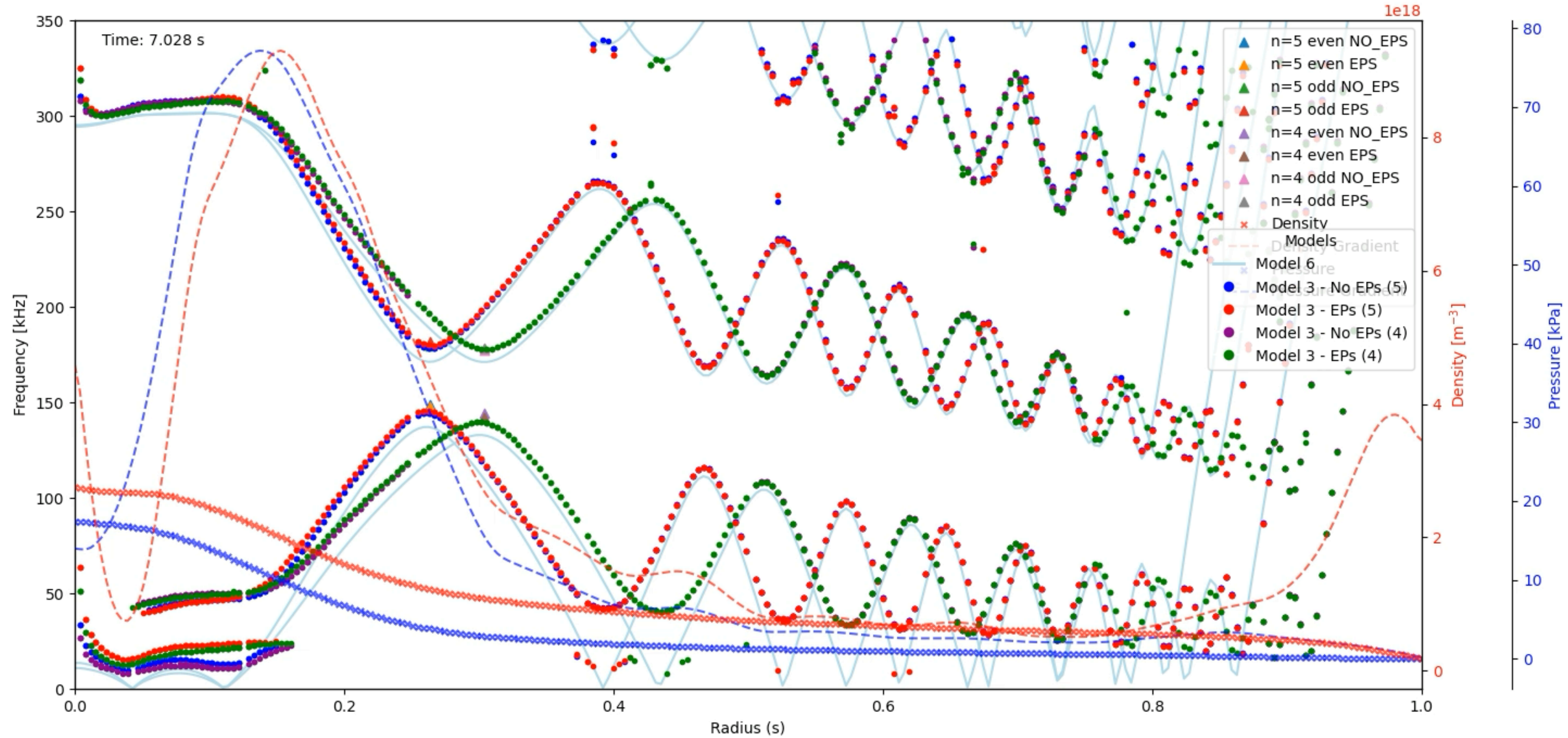
- The analytical model determines the middle of the continuum TAE gap
- The  $q=1$  surface shifts during the discharge, and it can be seen going away from the core and towards the middle of the plasma.
- Different branches of the same modes are visible near the core, where  $q$  profile is non-monotonic.

- radial location of the  $n/m=4/4$  and  $5/5$  modes (light blue lines) - and all other TAEs move radially outwards, away from steep EP gradient region: contradiction to stronger mode activity in second phase of discharge





- Shifting of the gap (modes) away from the core is visible.
- Modes of the kind  $(n,m) = (n,n)$  like  $(5,5)$  even and odd exist during the whole discharge in the highest EP gradient region
- Closing of the  $(n, n-1)$  gap is evident once kinetic continuum calculation (model 3 ) is run with fast ions.



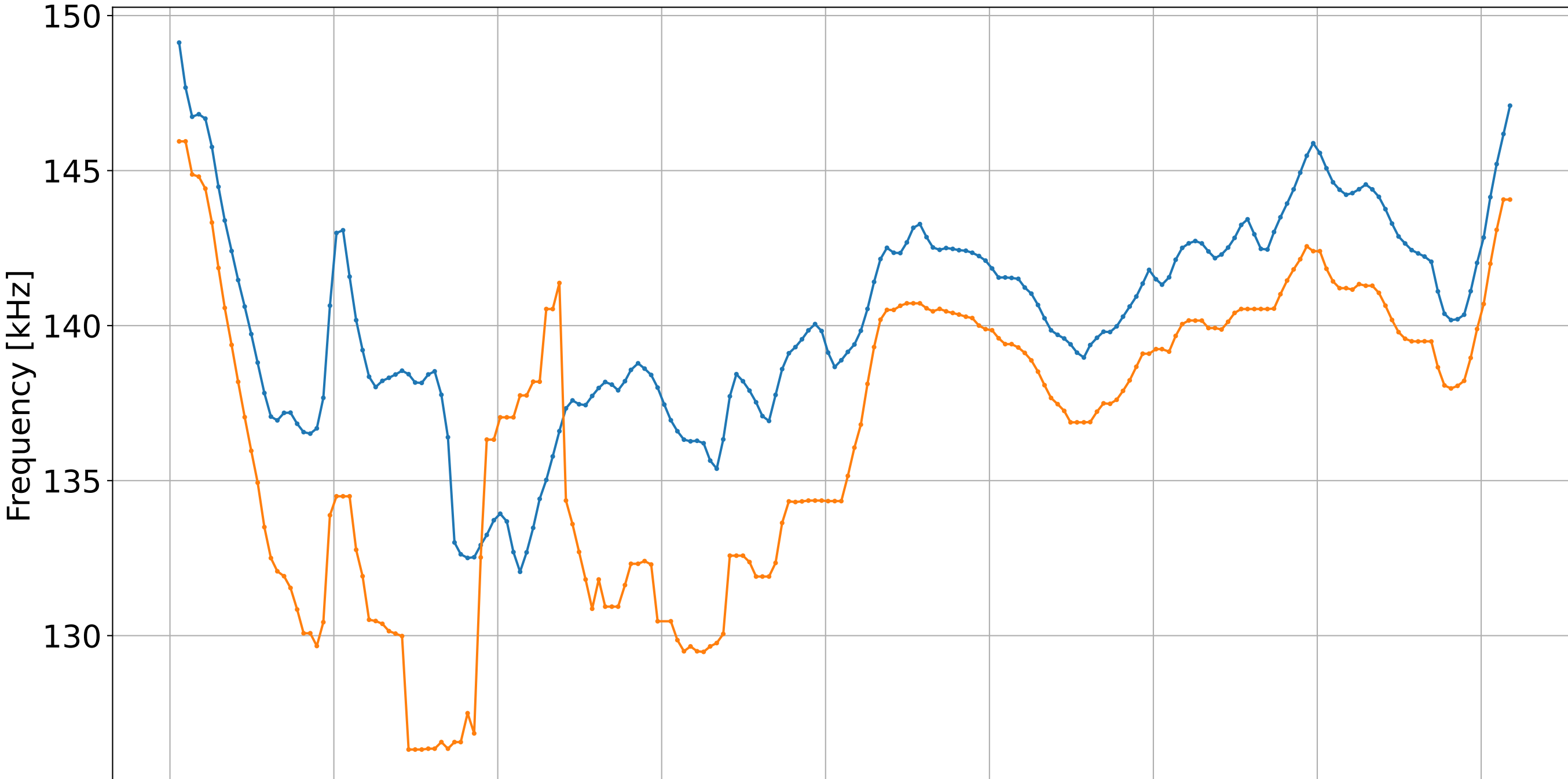
- The same behavior is observed for n=4
- The difference between n=4 and n=5 is approximately 5 kHz (different radial location and thus different Alfvén velocity,  $q$ )
- The difference between the location of the modes inside is shrinking (shear is increasing: closer distance of TAE locations)

# TAE frequency and damping w/o EPs



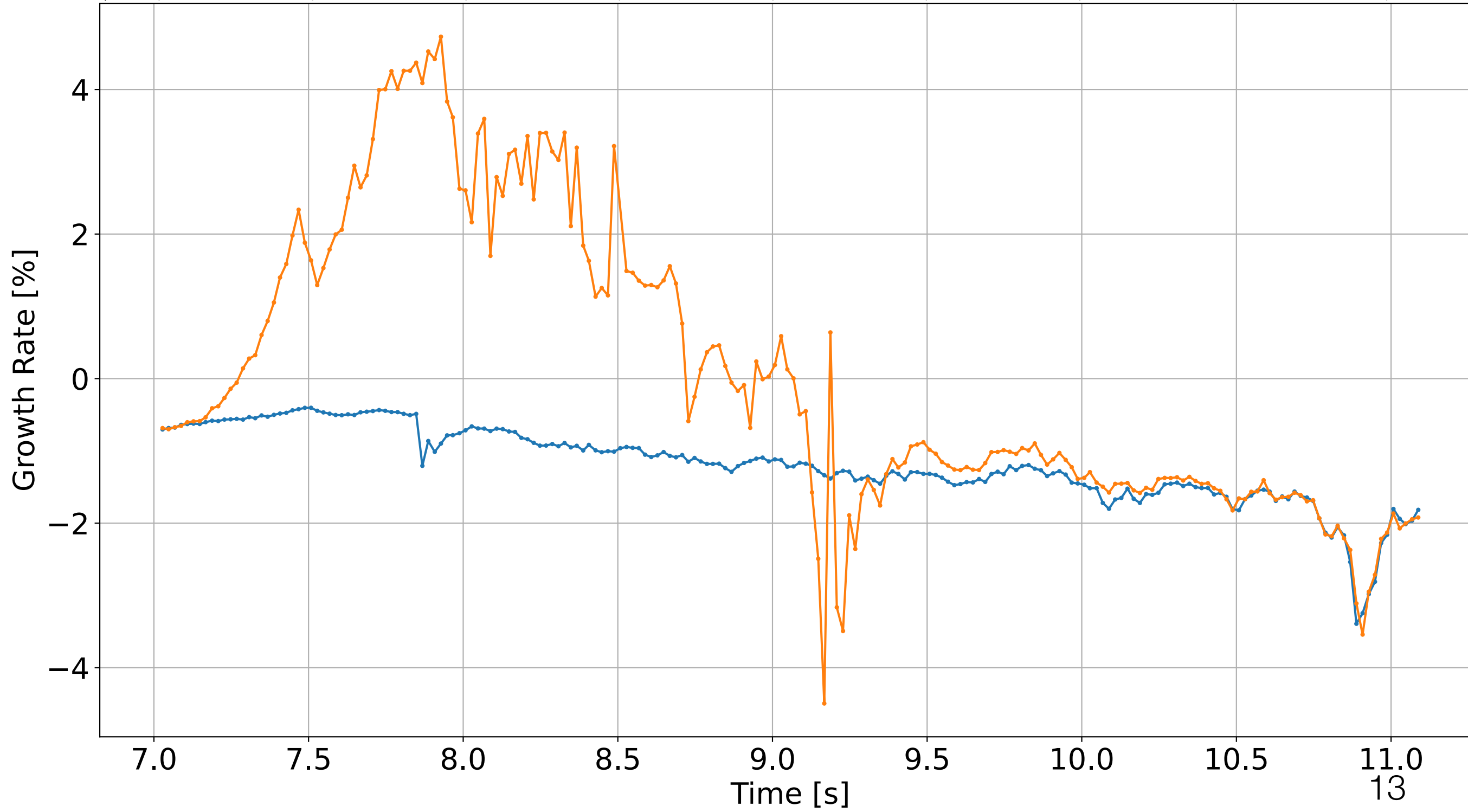
- even TAE frequency as calculated with different LIGKA models:
  - blue: analytical middle of the TAE gap
  - orange: local kinetic model: top of kinetic continuum
  - red/green: global kinetic solution; as expected between the top of the continuum and the middle of the TAE gap
- the local model (M4) cannot capture all the damping mechanisms: Landau and radiative are captured with analytical model; however not accurate in this case
- From this point forward, both runs with EPs and one without EPs will display the refined global solver (M2) results.

# TAE frequency and growth-rate (D)



n=5 even  
n=5 even D

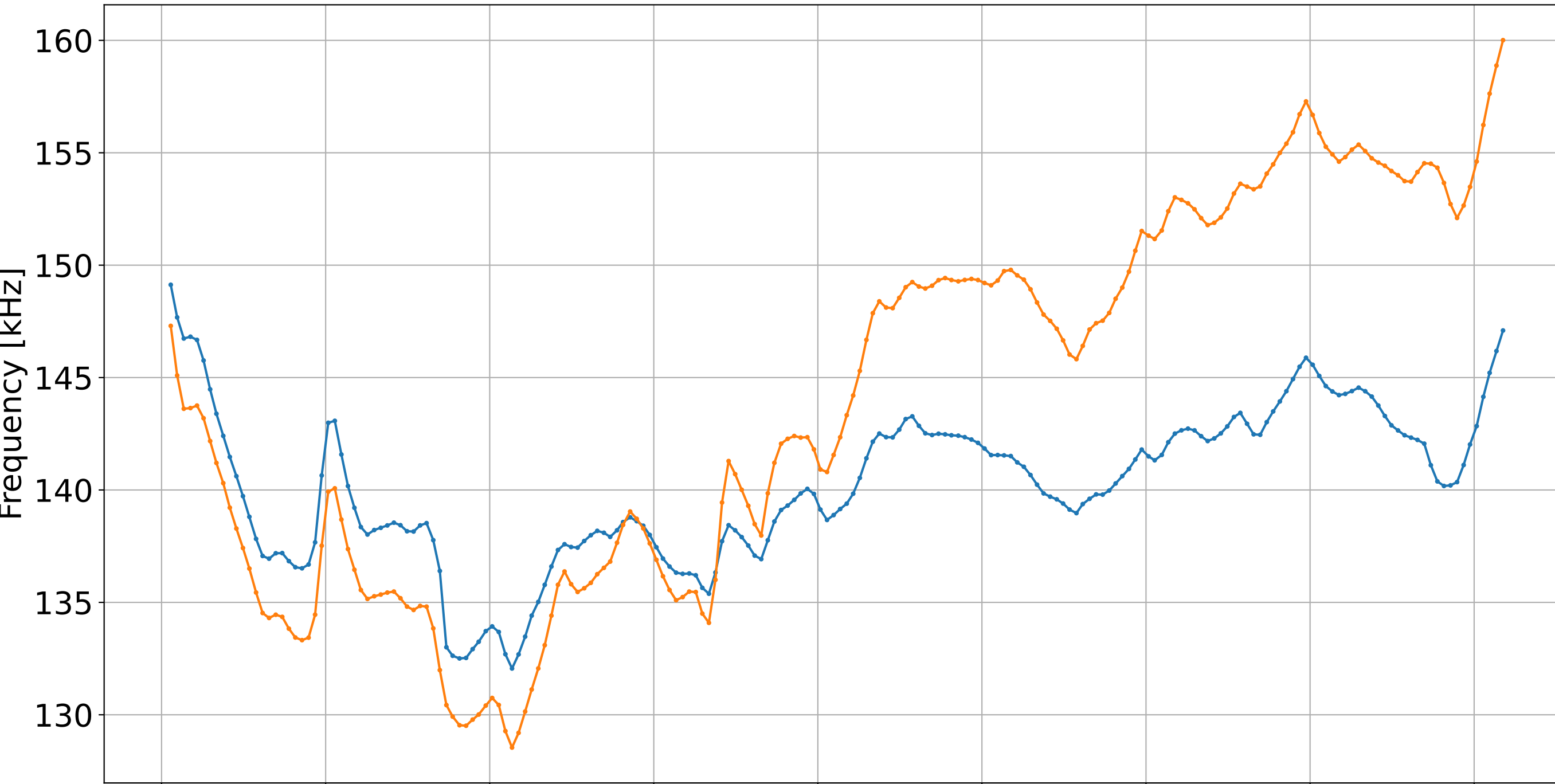
W/o D - blue



n=5 even  
n=5 even D

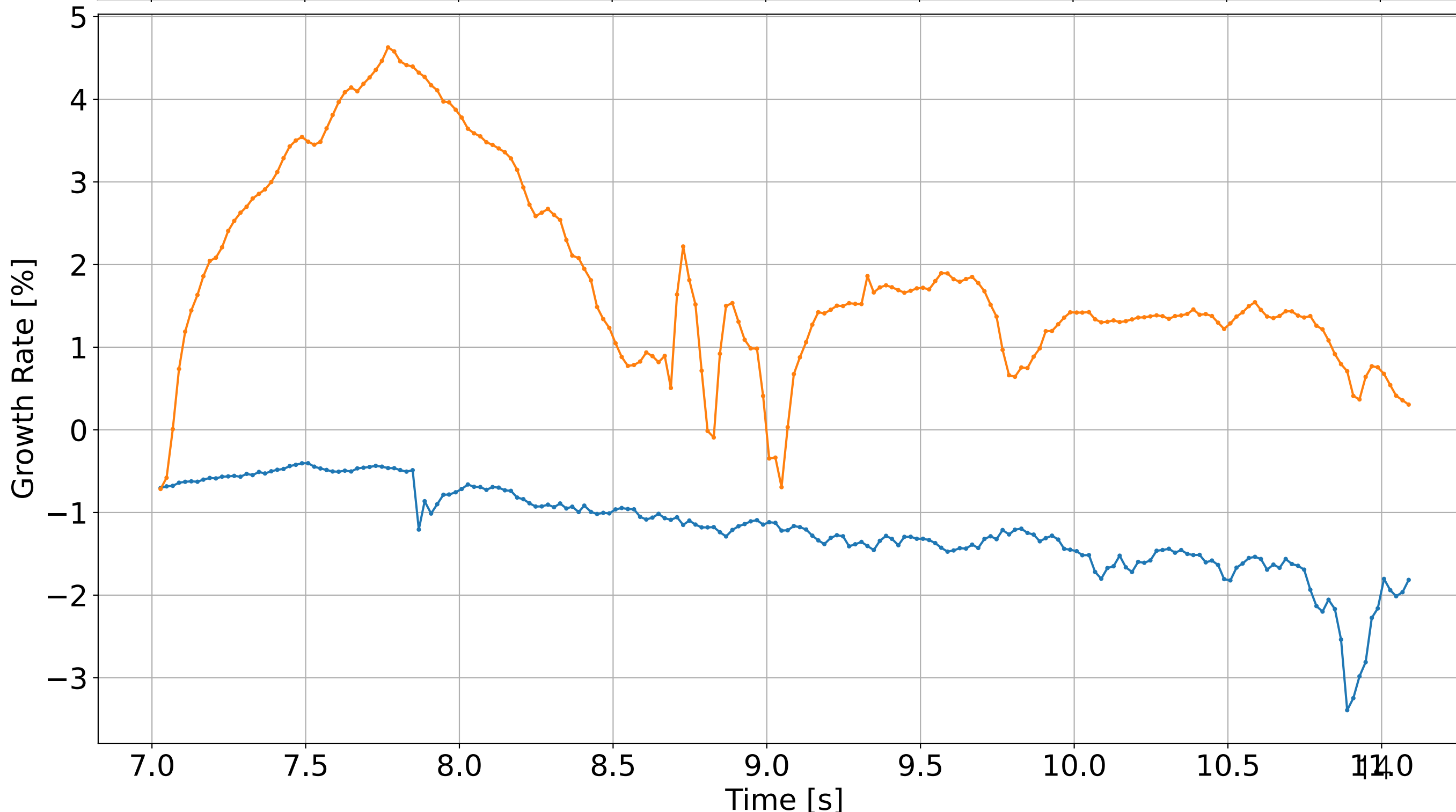
With D - orange

# TAE frequency and growth-rate (H)



n=5 even  
n=5 even H

W/o H - blue



n=5 even  
n=5 even H

With H - orange

# TAE frequency and growth-rate (T)



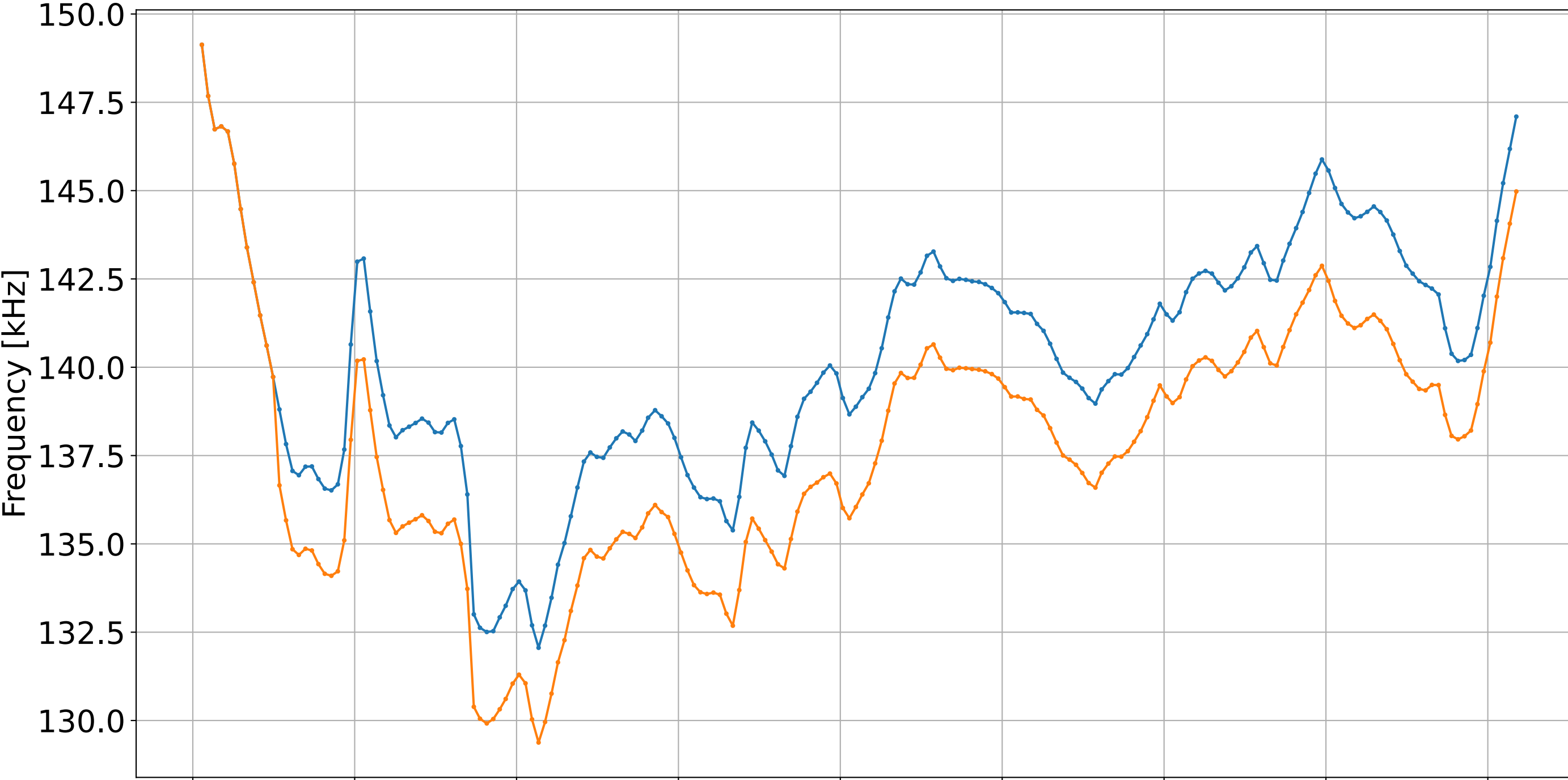
n=5 even  
n=5 even T

W/o T - blue

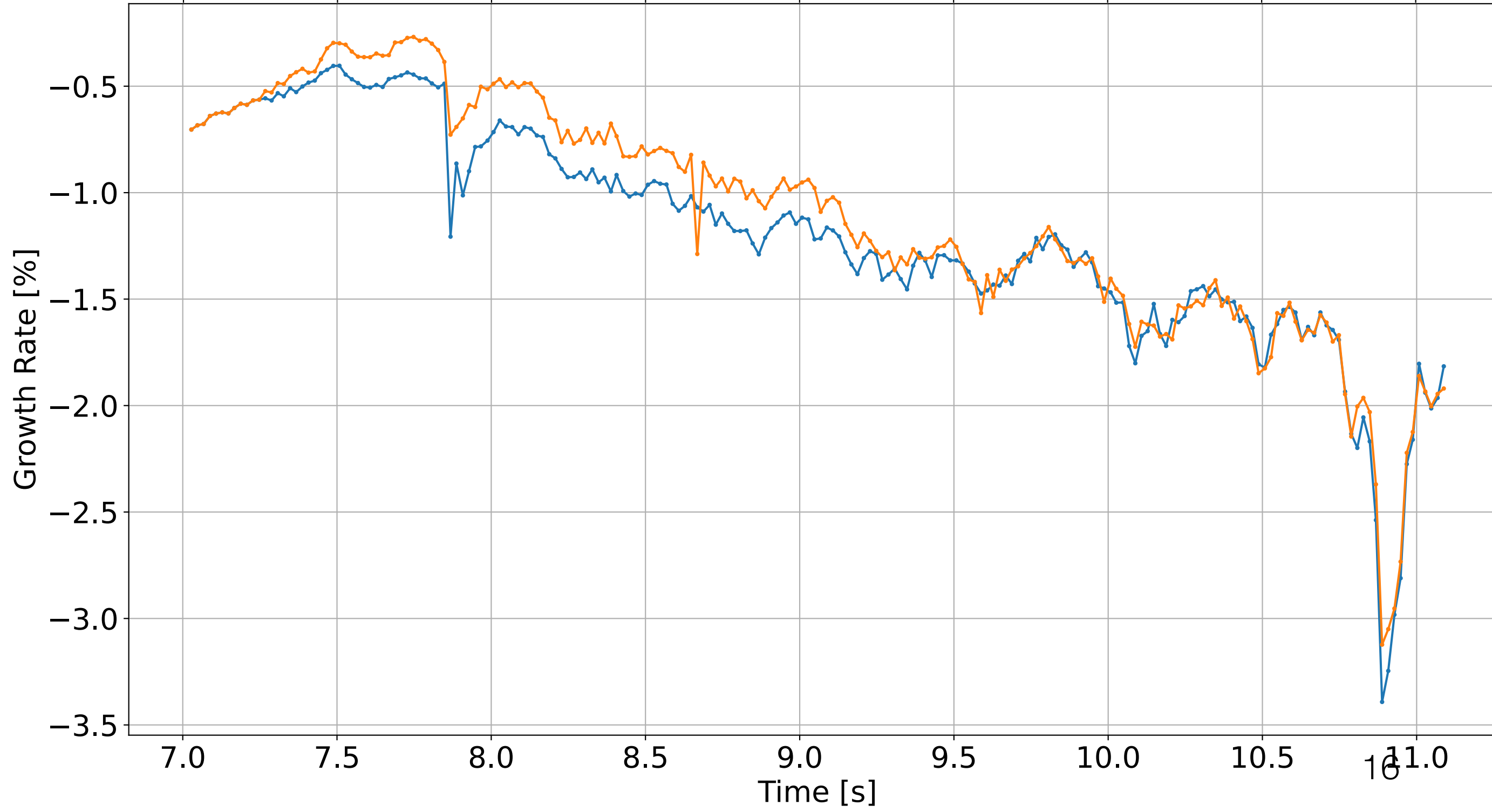
With T - orange

n=5 even  
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# TAE frequency and growth-rate (alpha)



W/o alpha - blue

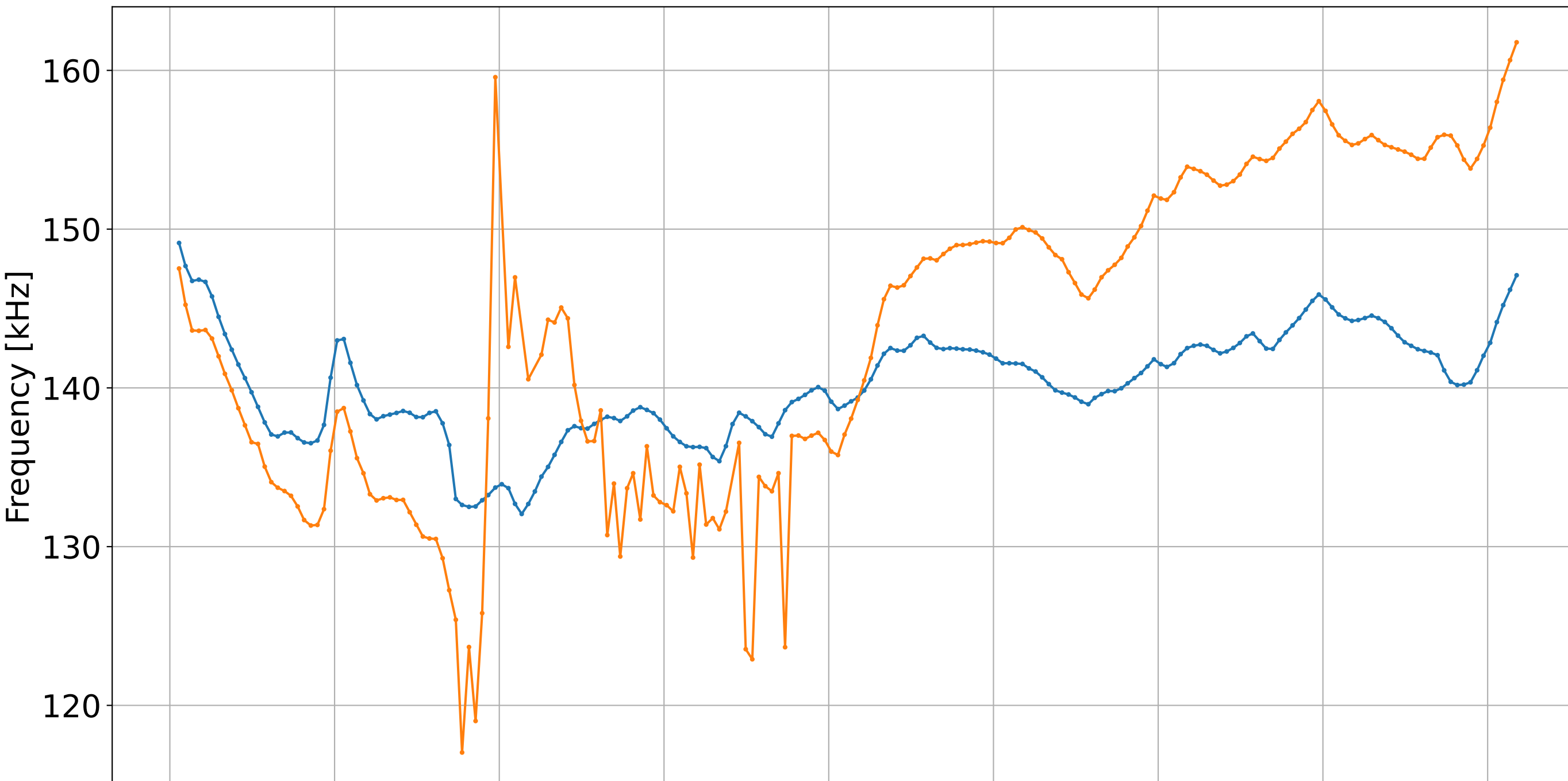


With alpha - orange

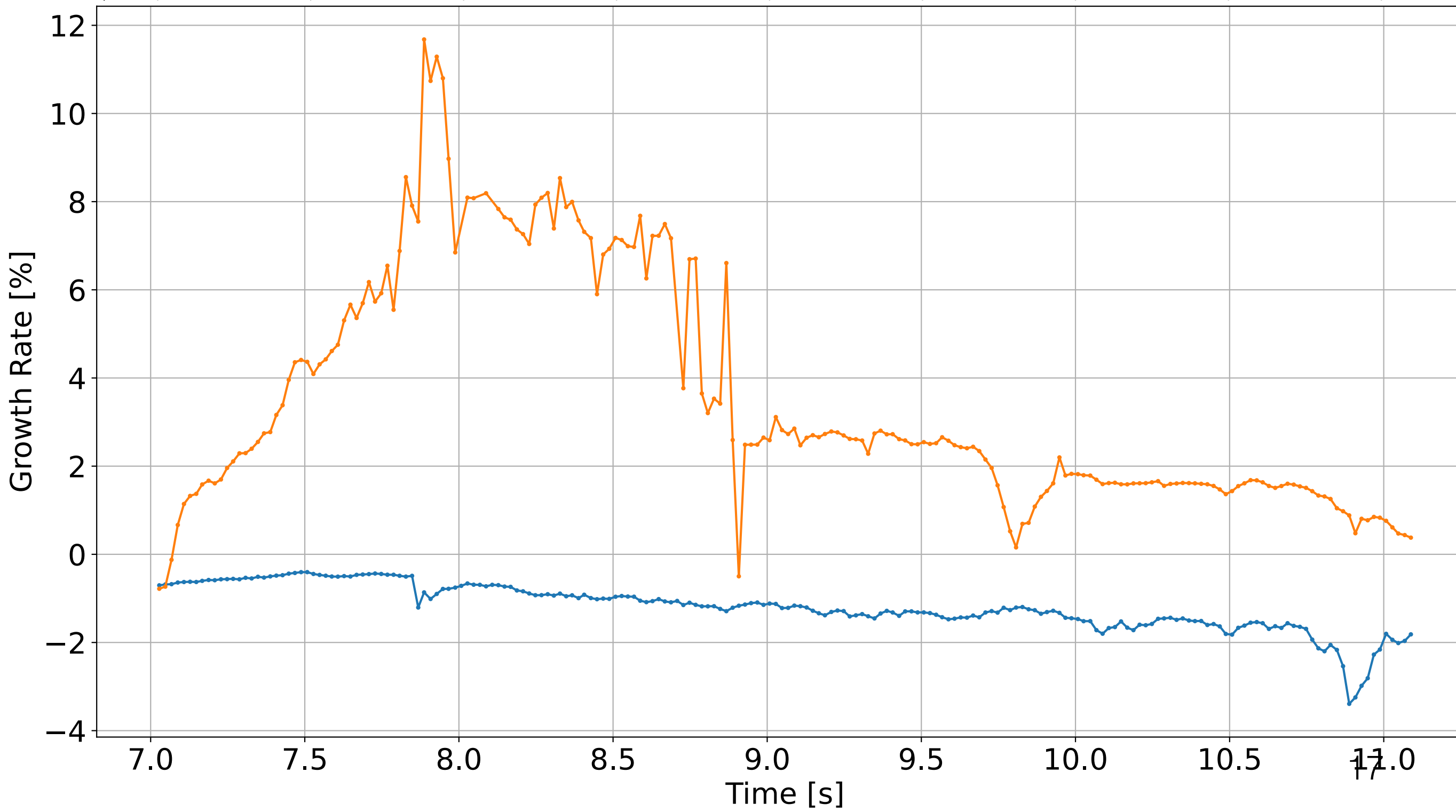
Very weak alpha drive



# TAE frequency and growth-rate (all EPs)



- With H, D, T, and alphas turned on, we see a strong drive of the  $(n,m) = (5,5)$  even mode.
- The first 9s, Deuterium (NBI + ICRF) and Hydrogen (ICRF), were the main contributors to the drive.
- Once the D beam is switched off, the drive mainly comes from H.
- alphas and T do not contribute significantly to the drive
- For odd modes, we also notice drive but of lower magnitudes ( $\sim 2.3\%$ ).



W/o EPs - blue

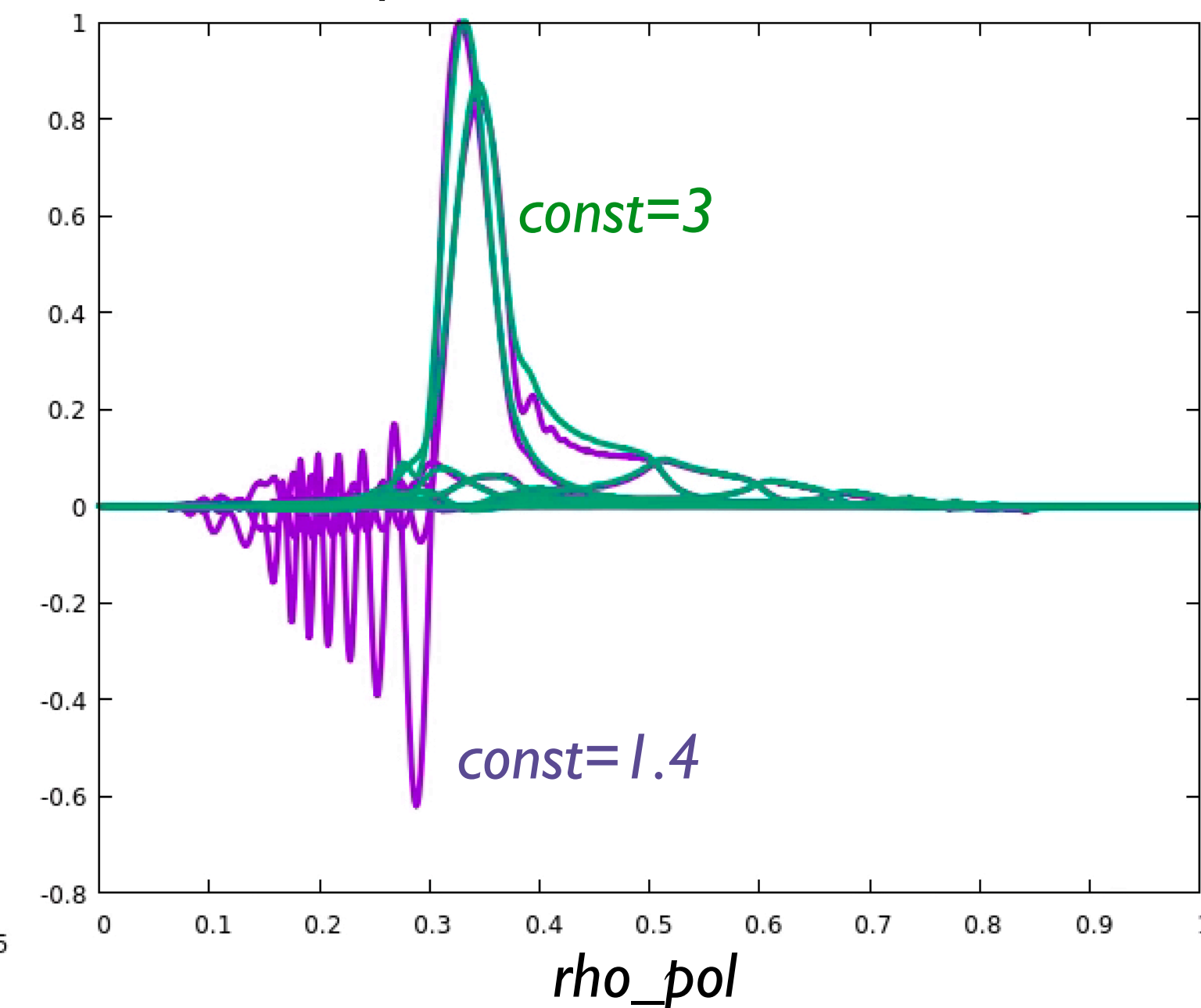
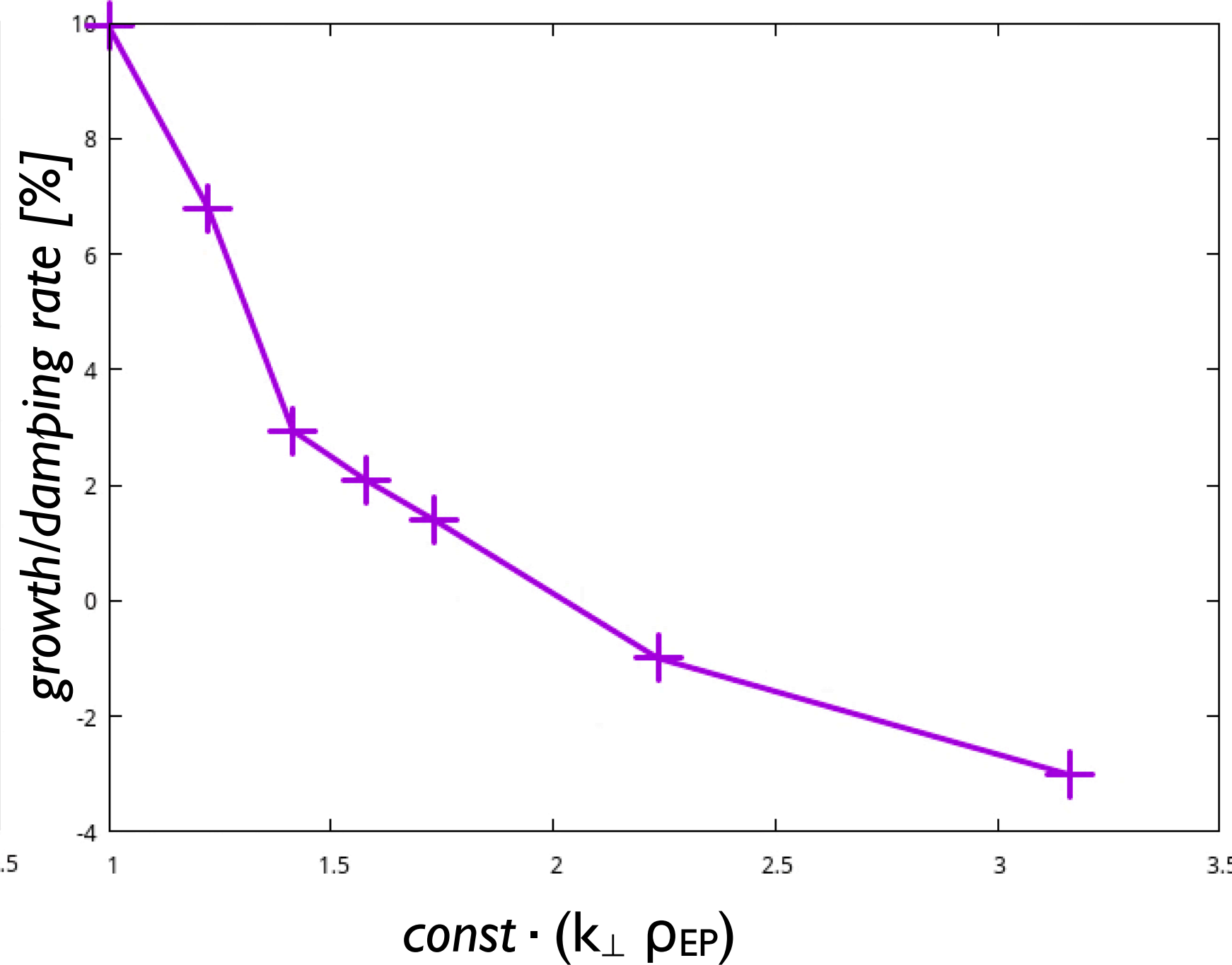
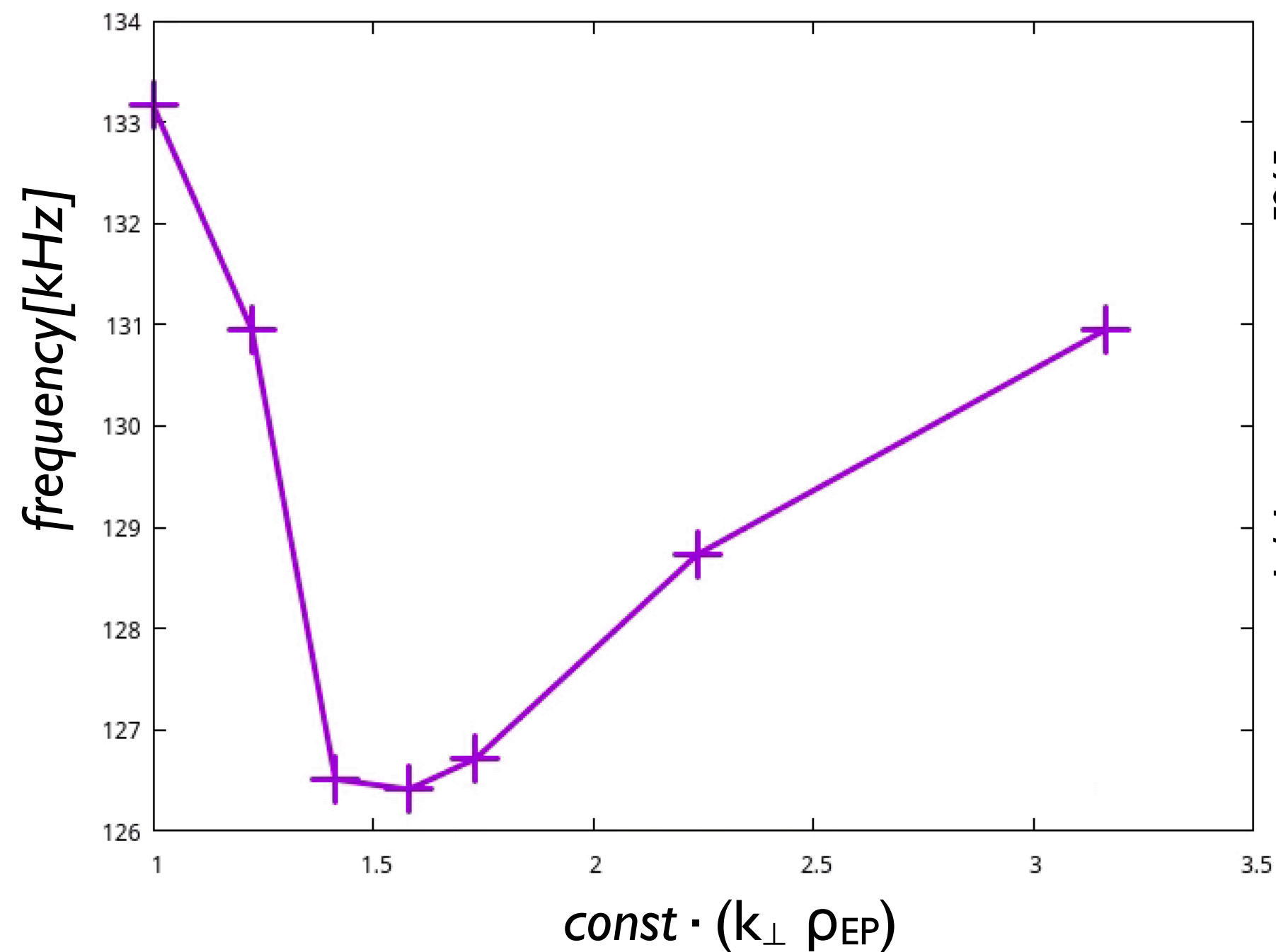
With EPs - orange

# explanation of mismatch: scaling of frequency, drive and mode structure with FOW effects

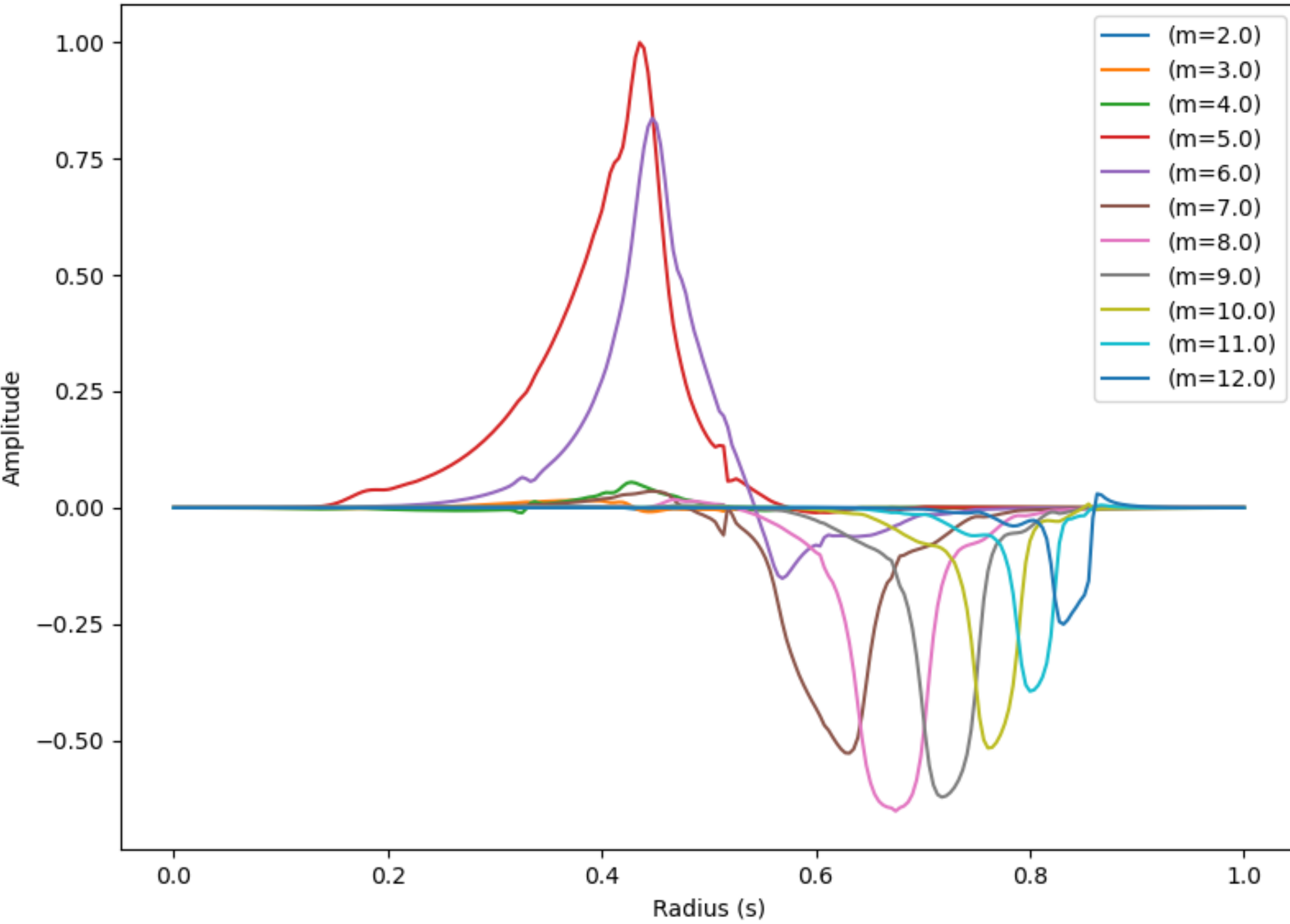
- fast WF version of LIGKA: use passing particles approximation for calculating kinetic response, also for FOW (finite orbit width) effects
- typically that is a good approximation for background particles and beam drive (passing particles, see AUG, ITER cases)
- for JET DT case, drive comes mainly from trapped H ions - differences are expected to be considerable: need for accurate distribution function
- here: check sensitivity of FOW effects by scaling  $k_{\perp} \rho_{EP}$  in FOW terms

$t = 7.98s$

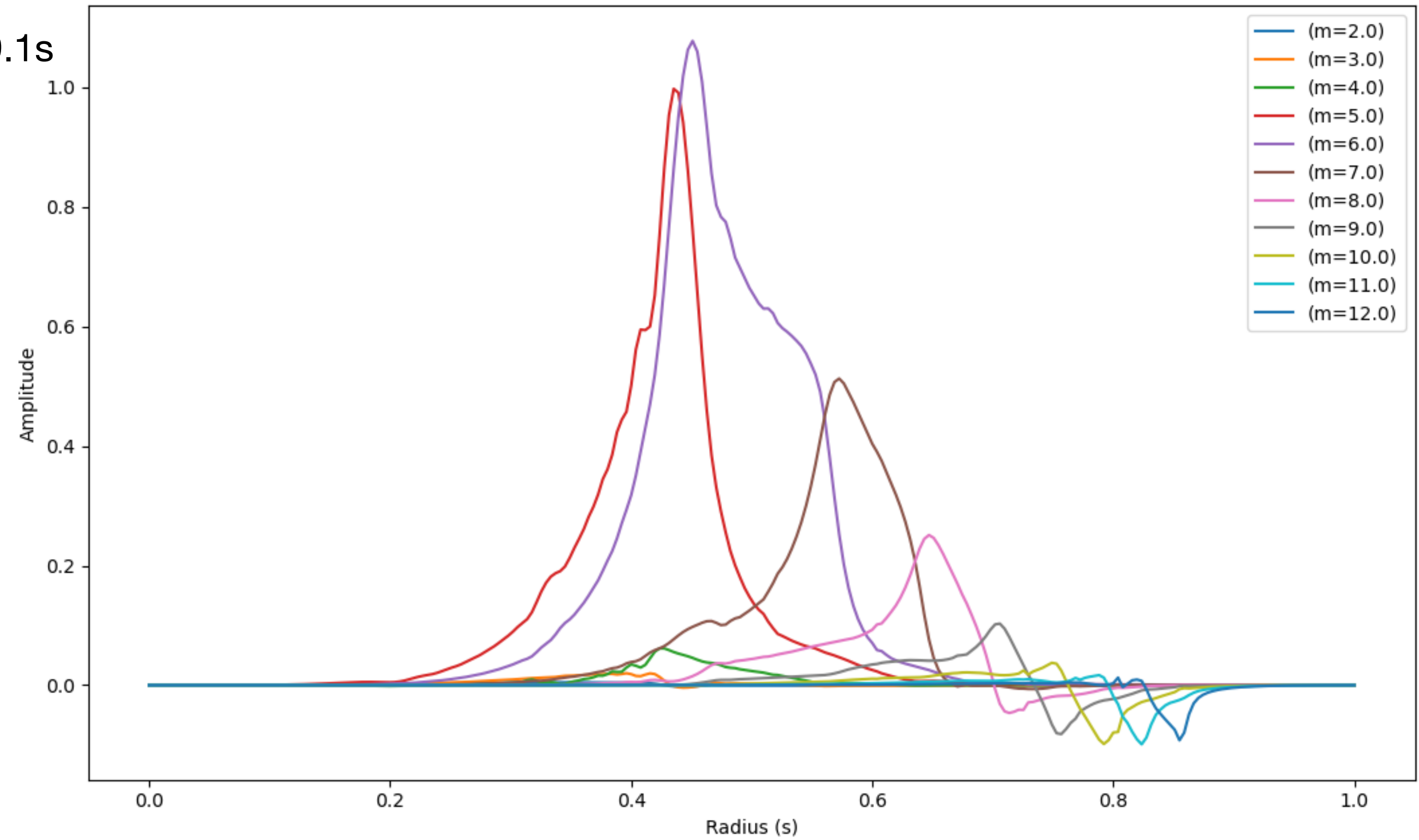
*e.s. potential,  $n=5$  even TAE*



- result: high sensitivity to FOW effects; trapped H ions will have strong influence on all linear mode properties
- note: real frequency behaviour similar to ITPA FOW scan (first down, then up, as expected from theory)
- in addition: as shown in [Lauber, AAPPs-DPP 2021], trapped electrons in flat shear region damps KAW (not included fast WF version)



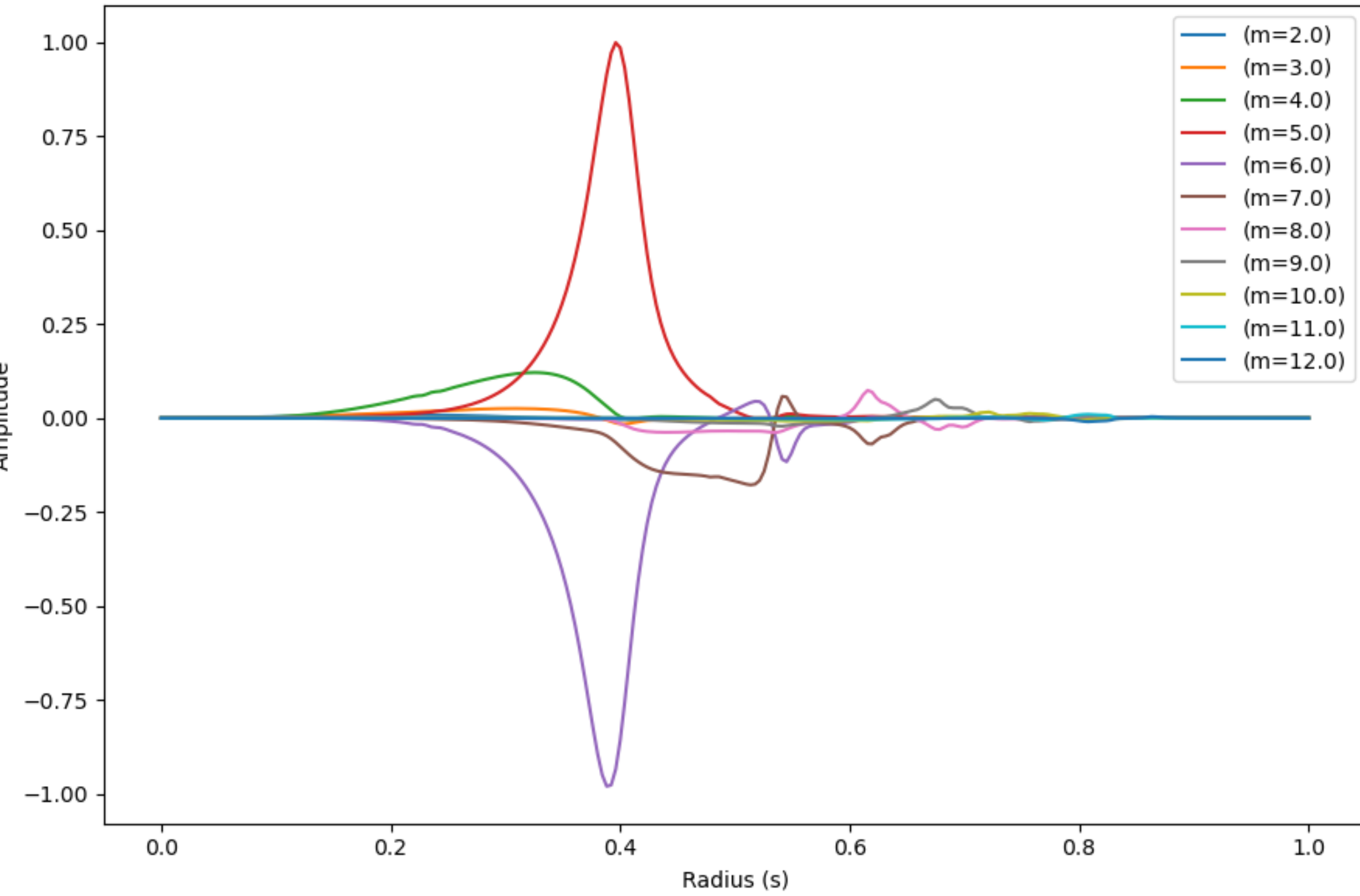
t = 9.1s



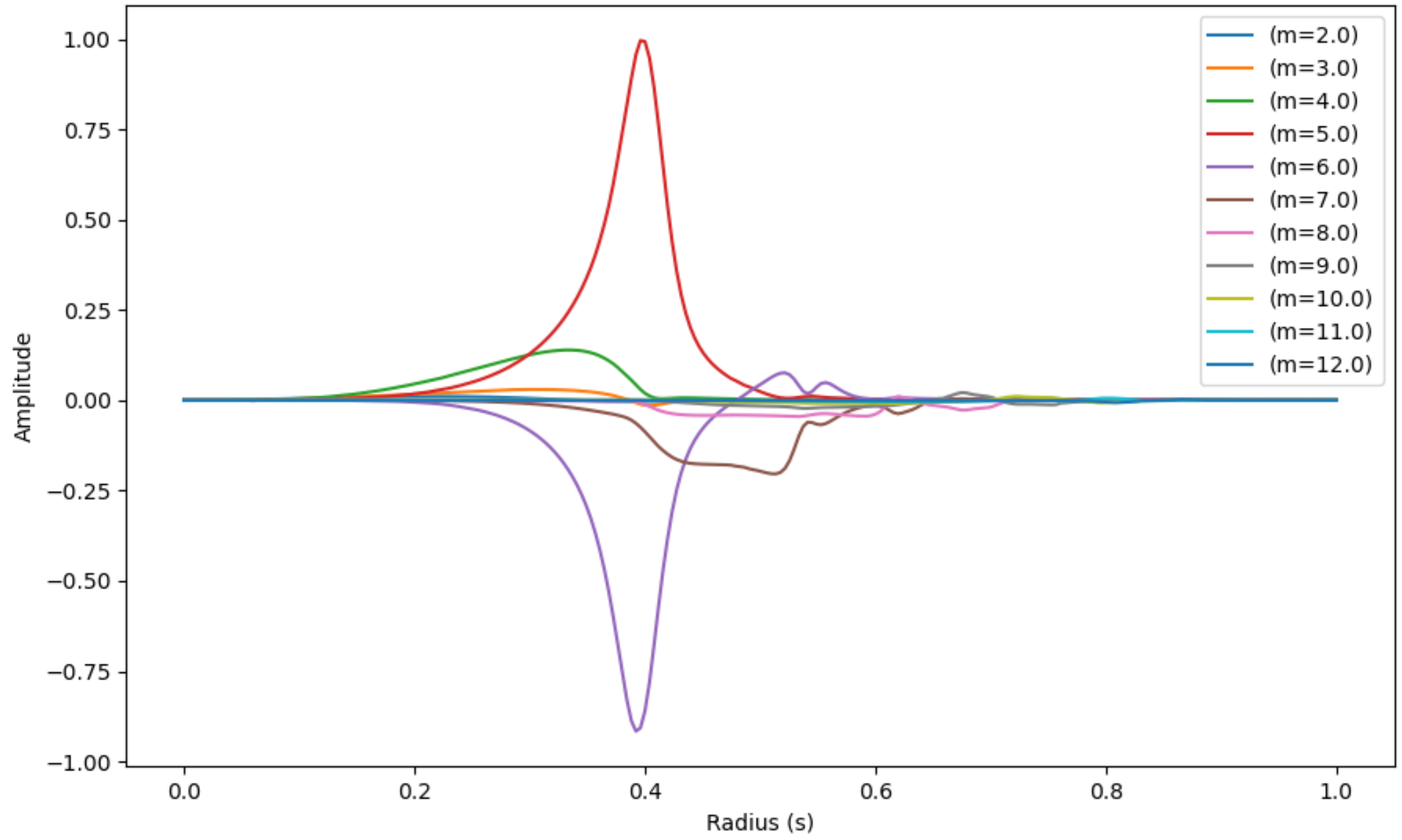
- n=5 even
- Position (r): 0.447
- Harmonics (m): [ 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12.]
- Frequency: 140.472 kHz
- Growth rate: -1.177%

- n=5 even EPs
- Position (r): 0.447
- Harmonics (m): [ 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12.]
- Frequency: 139.834 kHz
- Growth rate: 2.473%.

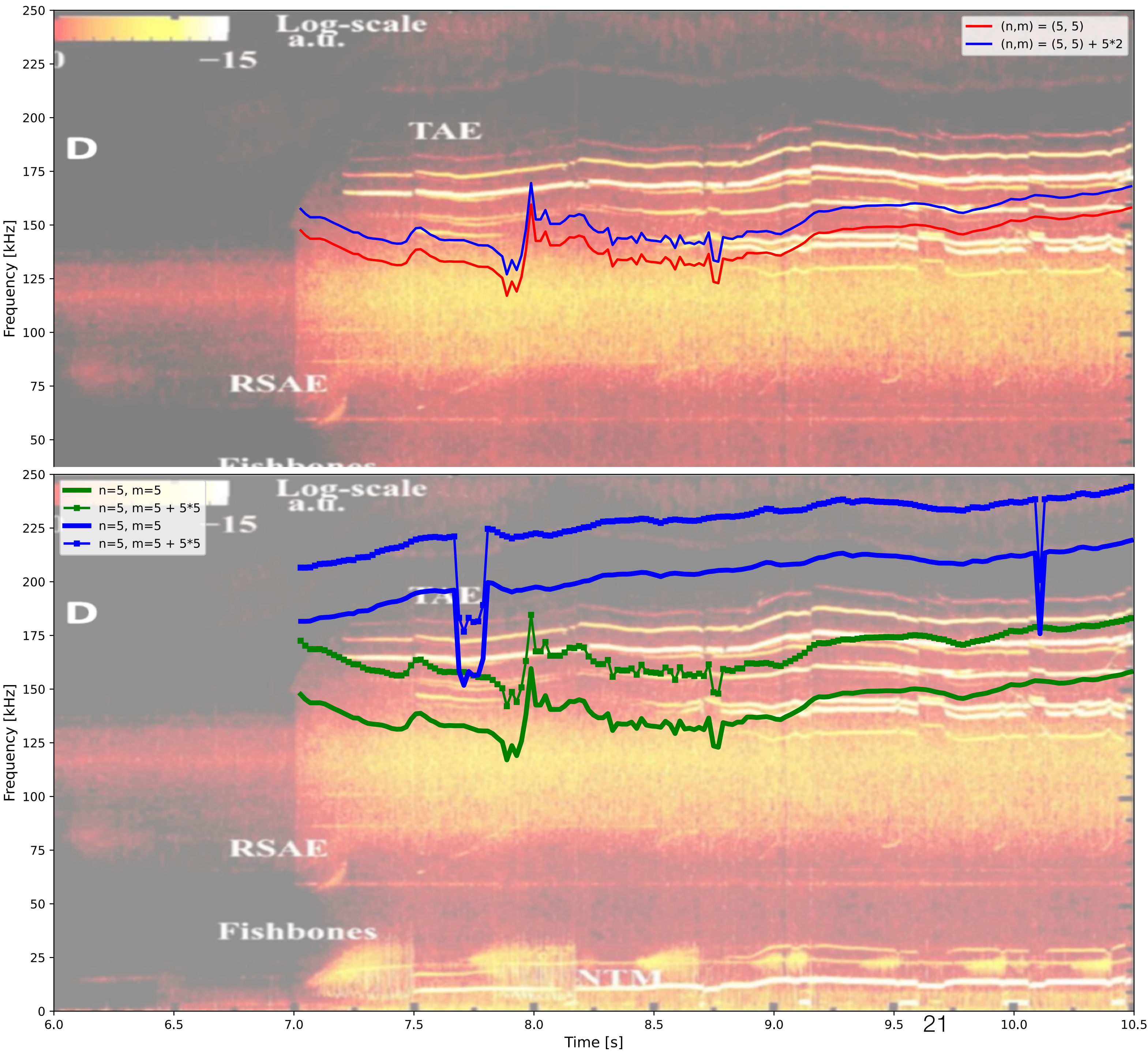
t = 8.508s



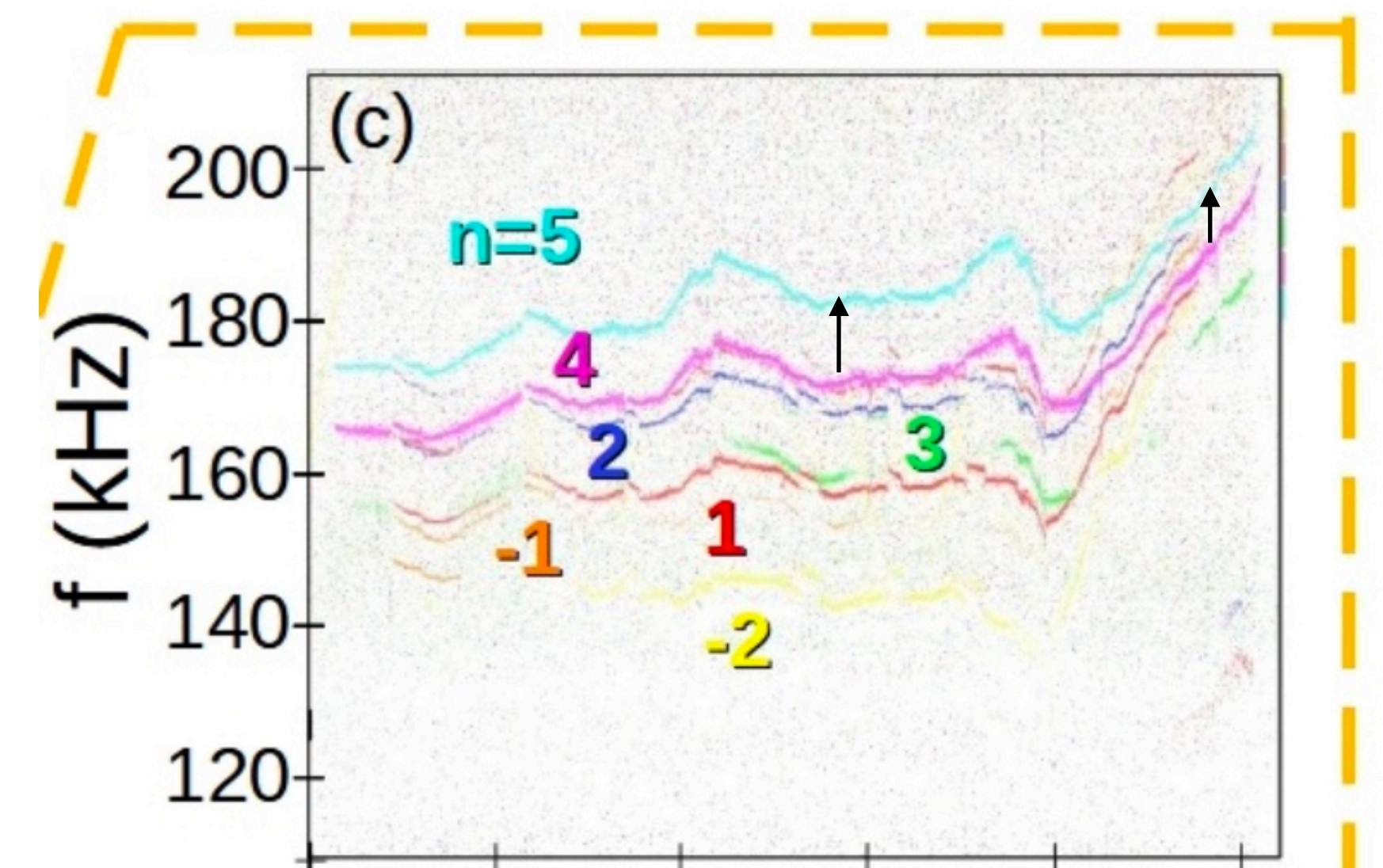
- n=5 odd
- Position (r): 0.399
- Harmonics (m): [ 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12.]
- Frequency: 196.337 kHz
- Growth rate: -1.373%



- n=5 odd EPs
- Position (r): 0.399
- Harmonics (m): [ 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12.]
- Frequency: 203.072 kHz
- Growth rate: 2.360%.



- With a rotation of 2 kHz, which means for  $n=5$ , adding 10 kHz to the frequency.
- While the trend is being followed, as expected, the frequency of both even and odd nodes do not reproduce the experiment
- Looking at the magnetic data and the difference between  $n=4$  and  $n=5$ , a rotation of 5 kHz was assumed.
- Applying the rotation to both odd and even (5,5) modes, similar frequencies are found



# EP transport: calculate EP fluxes for n=4+5 modes: H ions (ATEP)

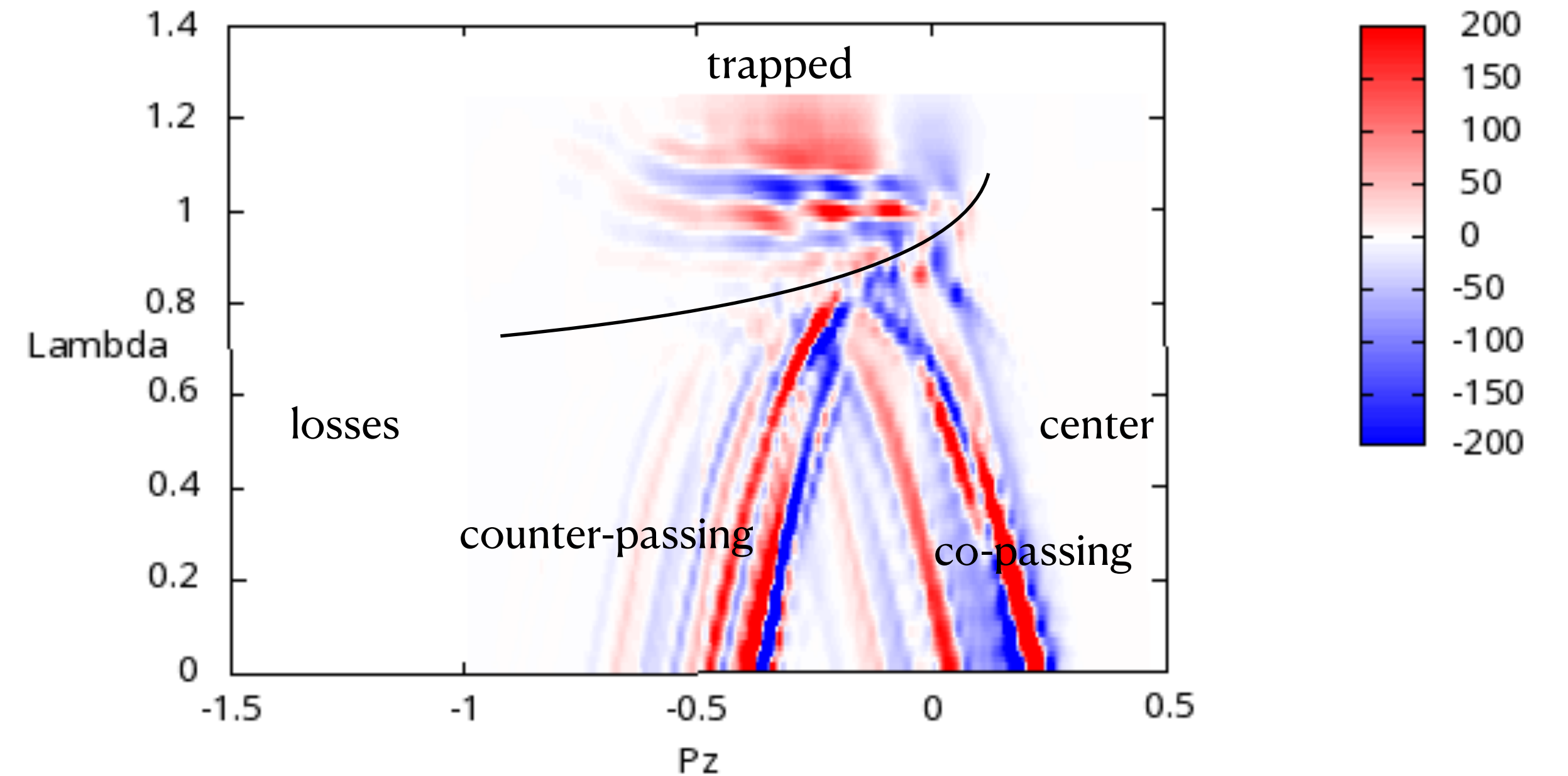
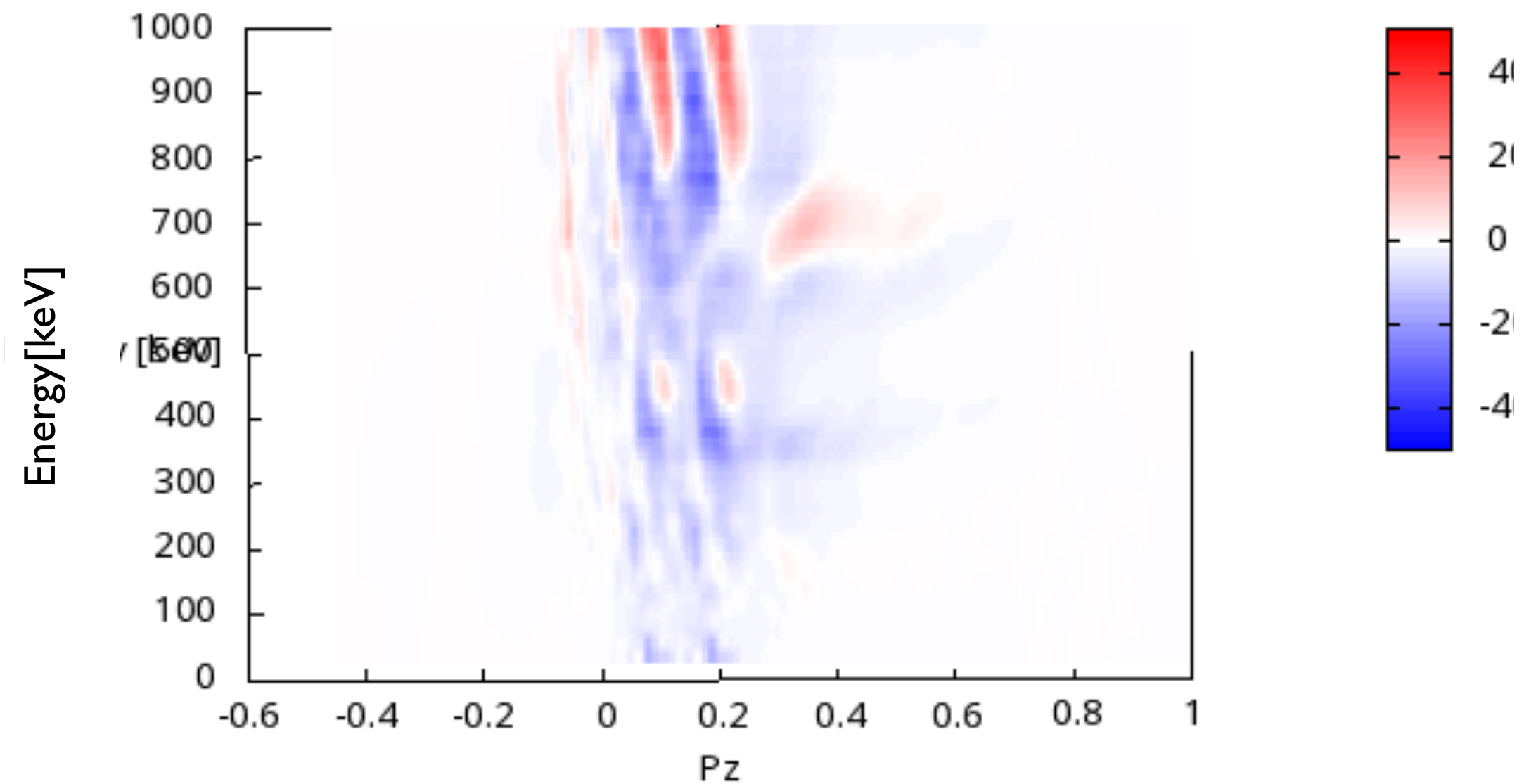
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dPz/dt for barely trapped hydrogen ions,  $\Lambda \approx 1$   
fixed mode amplitude: dB/B =  $10^{-3}$

dPz/dt for 660 keV H ions

dPz (Pz,Lambda), Lamda=956 [mu B0/E/1000]

dPz (Pz,Lambda), energy=661000



$F_{EP}(Pz, E, \Lambda)$  needed to calculate EP relaxation

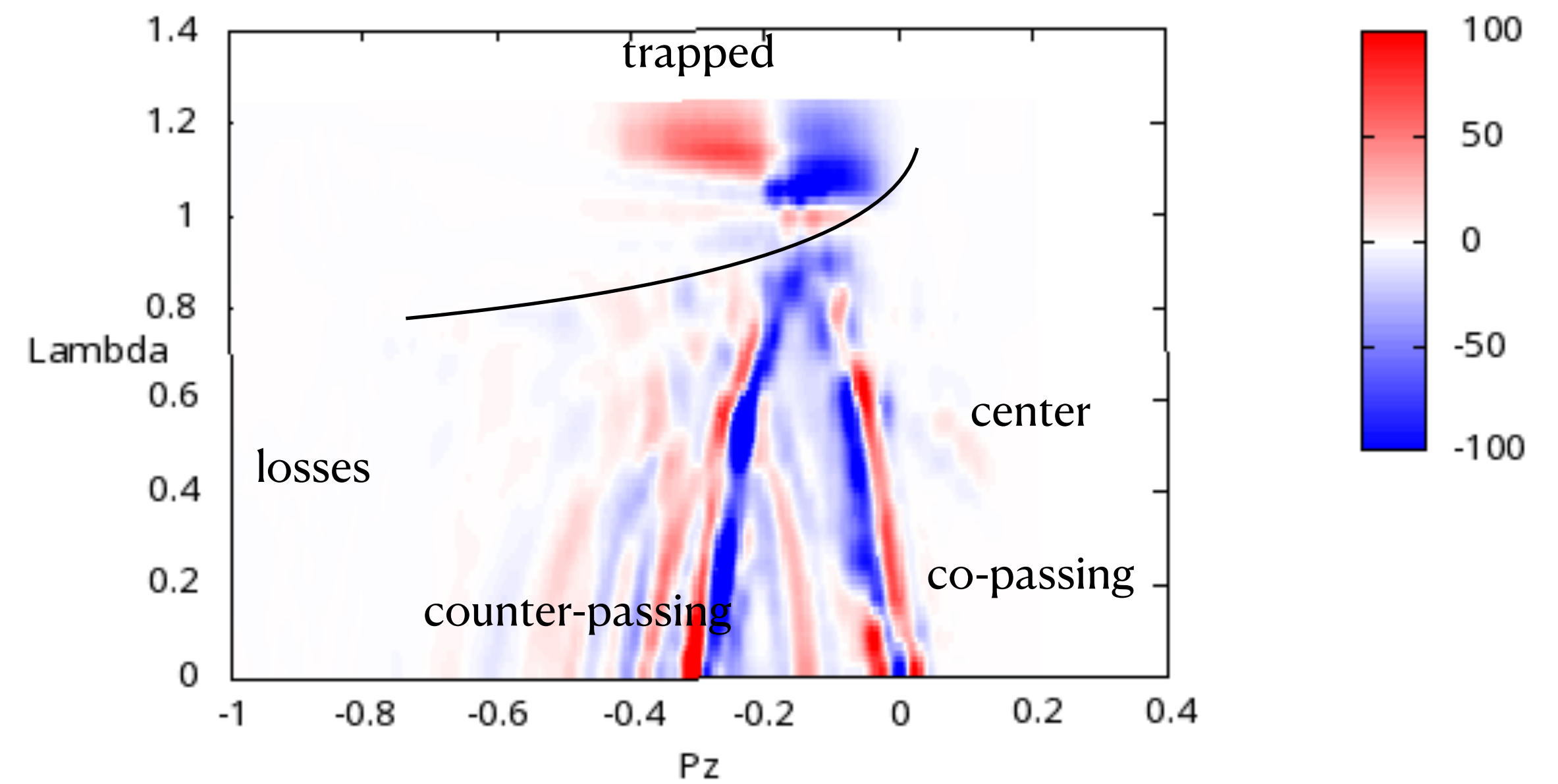
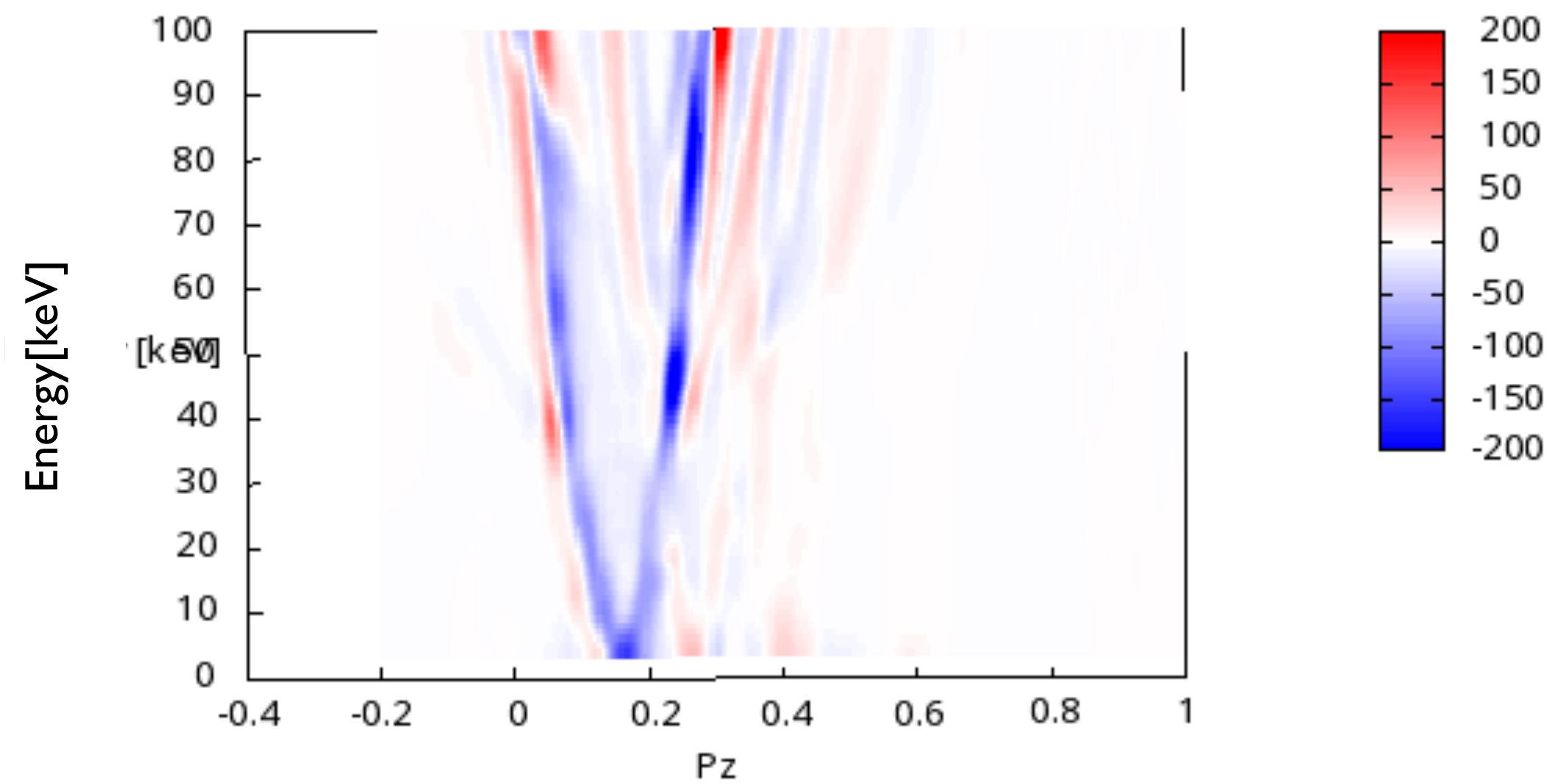
# EP transport: calculate EP fluxes for n=4+5 modes: D ions (ATEP)

$dP_z/dt$  for deeply passing ions,  $\Lambda \approx 0.2$   
 fixed mode amplitude:  $dB/B = 10^{-3}$

$dP_z/dt$  for 80keV beam D ions

$dP_z(P_z, \Lambda)$ ,  $\Lambda = 223$  [ $\mu B_0/E/1000$ ]

$dP_z(P_z, \Lambda)$ , energy=80000



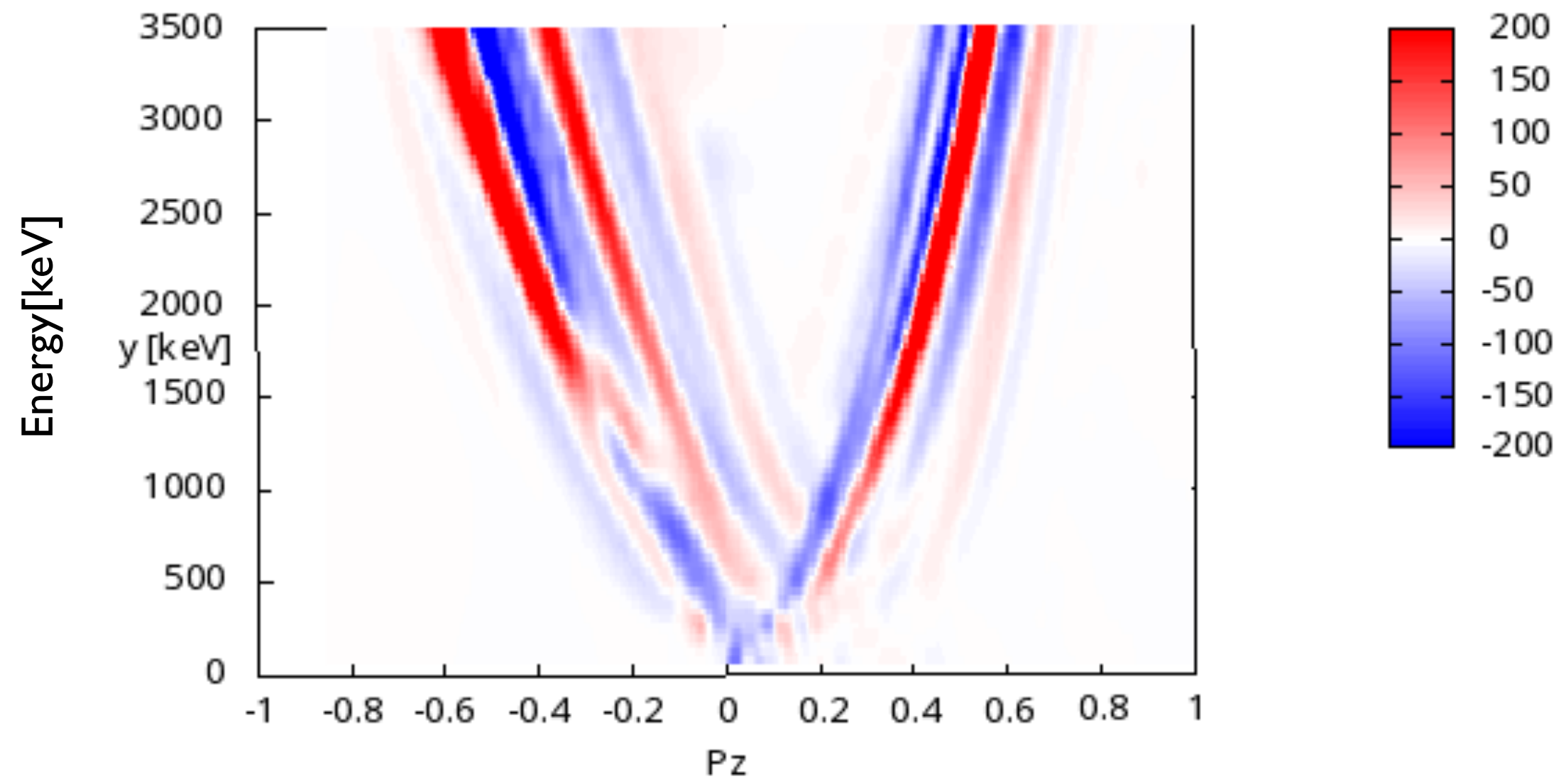
$F_{EP}(P_z, E, \Lambda)$  needed to calculate EP relaxation

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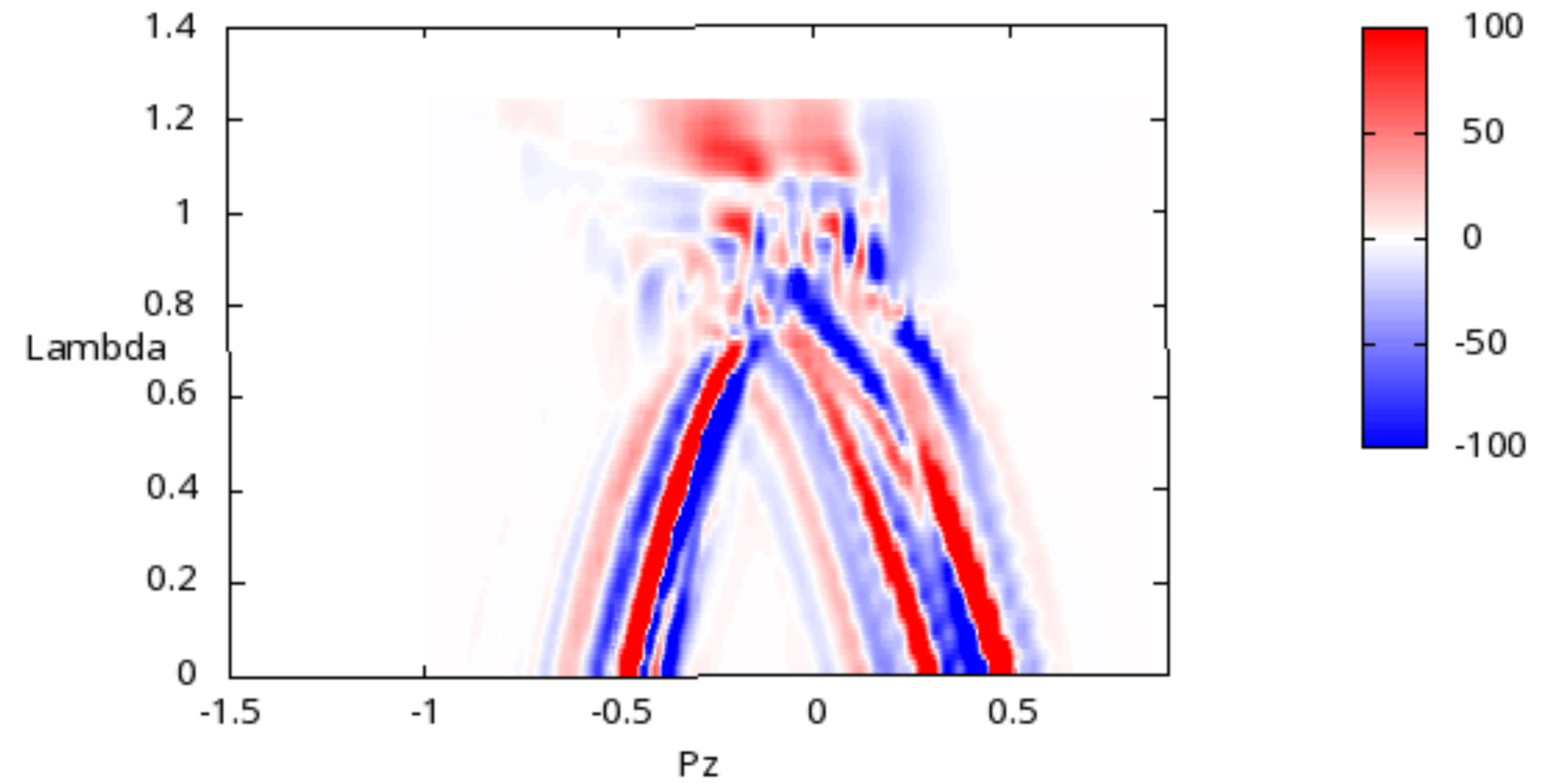
$dP_z/dt$  for deeply passing alphas,  $\Lambda \approx 0.2$   
fixed mode amplitude:  $dB/B = 10^{-3}$

$dP_z/dt$  for 2MeV alphas

$dP_z(P_z, \Lambda)$ ,  $\Lambda = 209$  [ $\mu B_0/E/1000$ ]



$dP_z(P_z, \Lambda)$ , energy=2011000





# Overview - Outlook

- Objectives:
  - perform time-dependent linear analysis on experimental DT data using IMAS-integrated EP-Stability-WF
  - tune fast models to give accurate results (1-week runtime for everything/ so far no parallelisation in ,time‘ done: further reduction of runtime can be easily obtained)
  - get valuable insights into the results but also the potential problems
  - identify with certainty effects that need to be studied (linear vs non-linear) - not yet
- improvements needed for more accurate modelling:
  - No NBI distributions are present in the IDS (using Maxwellian)
  - $q=1$  surface not properly captured during Sawtooth cycles
  - fast pressure perpendicular component (H)
  - missing rotation profile
  - experimental estimates of saturated amplitudes (at least relative estimates)
- Outlook:
  - Repeat when distributions become available - differences due to FOW effects expected
  - Run ATEP for EP transport and profile relaxation