F13: EC Assisted breakdown experiment on FTU

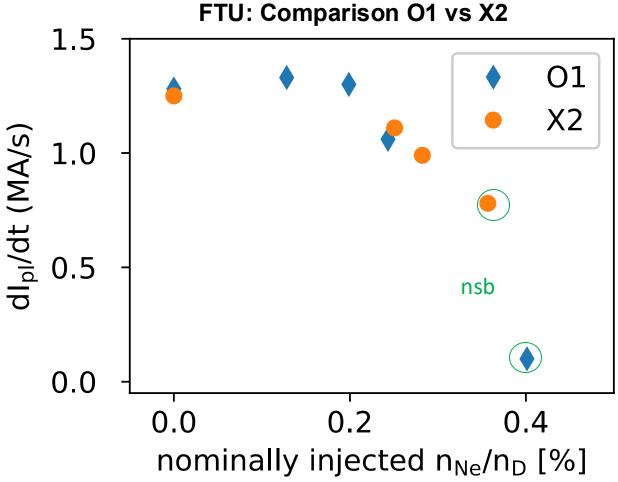
Aims of the experiment performed:

- 1. To study EC assisted start-up with impurities (Ne) to benchmark BKD0 code: <u>simulations to be completed</u>
- 2. To study influence in the position of null field wrt EC resonance

Results:

- Confirmed the positive action of EC power for burn trough in presence of impurities. BKD0 reproduces results, systematic analysis should be completed
- Apparently it is not necessary to align EC resonance and null position. In case of misalignment internal inductance is lower with beneficial effects.

F13: Role of impurity



 P_{EC} = 350kW E_t = 0.5 V/m Ne injection D_2 pre-fill = 1 mPa

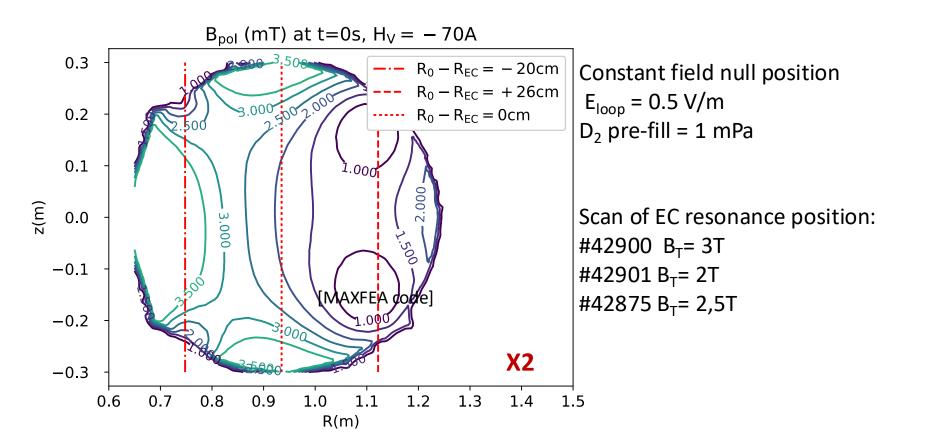
Warning:

O1: 20° toroidal

X2: 0° toroidal

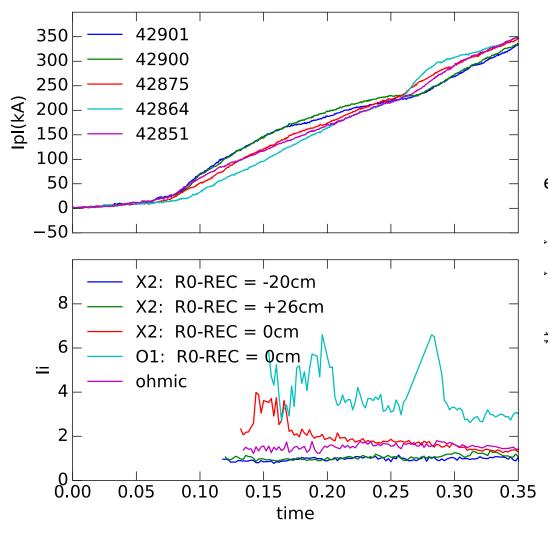
- ➤ dl_p/dt doesn't depend on polarization
- Plasma resistivity increases with Ne content

F13: Influence of EC resonance vs null position



Start-up on FTU non influenced by the relative position of field null and resonance in X2

F13: Effect on Current Profile



l_i calculated from ODIN code

[Alladio F. and Crisanti F. NF 1986]

eduction of internal inductance (l_i) for:

- ECRH off-axis (X2)
- ECRH on-axis (O1) with Ne impurity
- > Broadening of the current profile

To be done: verify if the broadening of the current density profile reduces MHD activity.

Warning: no Te profiles