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Steady-State Flows in Two-Fluid Models of NSTX and DIII-D Plasmas¹ N.M. FERRARO, ORISE-GA, S.C. JARDIN, J. CHEN, PPPL — Accurate axisymmetric steady-states of a comprehensive two-fluid model are calculated for plasmas in diverted NSTX and DIII-D geometries using the M3D-C¹ code [1]. It is found that gyroviscosity may have a significant effect on the flows in steady-state when a localized density source is present. The model implemented in M3D-C¹ selfconsistently includes the effects of flows, anisotropic viscosity, anisotropic thermal conductivity, and resistivity. Results for ohmically driven plasmas are presented. New capabilities of M3D-C¹ allow the three-dimensional linear stability of axisymmetric equilibria to be calculated; these capabilities and preliminary stability results are discussed. Also discussed are recent and future extensions to M3D-C¹, including heuristic bootstrap current models, coupling to a physics-based transport model, and nonlinear non-axisymmetric capability.

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