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**Experimental Tests of Elongation Scaling in Gyrokinetic Turbulence Simulations**<sup>1</sup> C. HOLLAND, G.R. TYNAN, UCSD, T.L. RHODES, W.A. PEEBLES, L. SCHMITZ, J.C. HILLESHEIM, G. WANG, L. ZENG, E.J. DOYLE, UCLA, G.R. MCKEE, Z. YAN, M.W. SHAFER, U. Wisc., A.E. WHITE, ORISE, J. CANDY, R.E. WALTZ, J.E. KINSEY, G.M. STAEBLER, J.C. DEBOO, R. PRATER, K.H. BURRELL, C.C. PETTY, General Atomics, M.A. MAKOWSKI, LLNL — Comparisons of nonlinear GYRO simulations of DIII-D discharges with low and high elongation against experimental measurements are presented. Comparisons of measured low- $k$  density spectra (from beam emission spectroscopy), intermediate- $k$  density spectra (from Doppler backscattering), and low- $k$  electron temperature spectra (from correlation electron cyclotron emission radiometry) to synthetic spectra predictions at multiple flux-surfaces are shown. Results using both direct fits to profile measurements and flux-matching profiles predicted by the new TGYRO code [1] are presented, with agreement between model and experiment assessed via a simple set of newly developed validation metrics.

[1] J. Candy, et al., General Atomics Report GA-A26380 (2009).

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