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**Finite-beta effects of non-Maxwellian fast ions in gyrokinetics**

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WILLIAM DORLAND, University of Maryland — The presence of relatively small  
concentrations of fast ions is known to have a significant effect on the Alfvénic  
physics of fusion plasmas. These fast ions have large gyroradii and are usually non-  
Maxwellian, so the low-collisionality ordering of gyrokinetics is an appropriate tool.  
Here, we use the **GS2** gyrokinetics code to study finite-beta nonlinear effects in the  
presence of non-Maxwellian fast ions.

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