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Blobs localized in the divertor region D.D. RYUTOV, R.H. COHEN,
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toroidally-asymmetric plasma perturbations in the divertor region and main SOL.
In Ref. 1, we found that in such a situation there may exist blobs localized entirely
in the divertor region. Here we extend this analysis to include effects of the finite
plasma pressure, in combination with the radial tilt of the divertor plate. We provide
an analysis of strange blobs localized in the private flux region. We discuss also the
situations where plasma is detached from the divertor plates, and resistive effect
in a cold transitional plasma become important. These divertor blobs may lead to
damage to those parts of the divertor which are normally thought of as inaccessible
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