

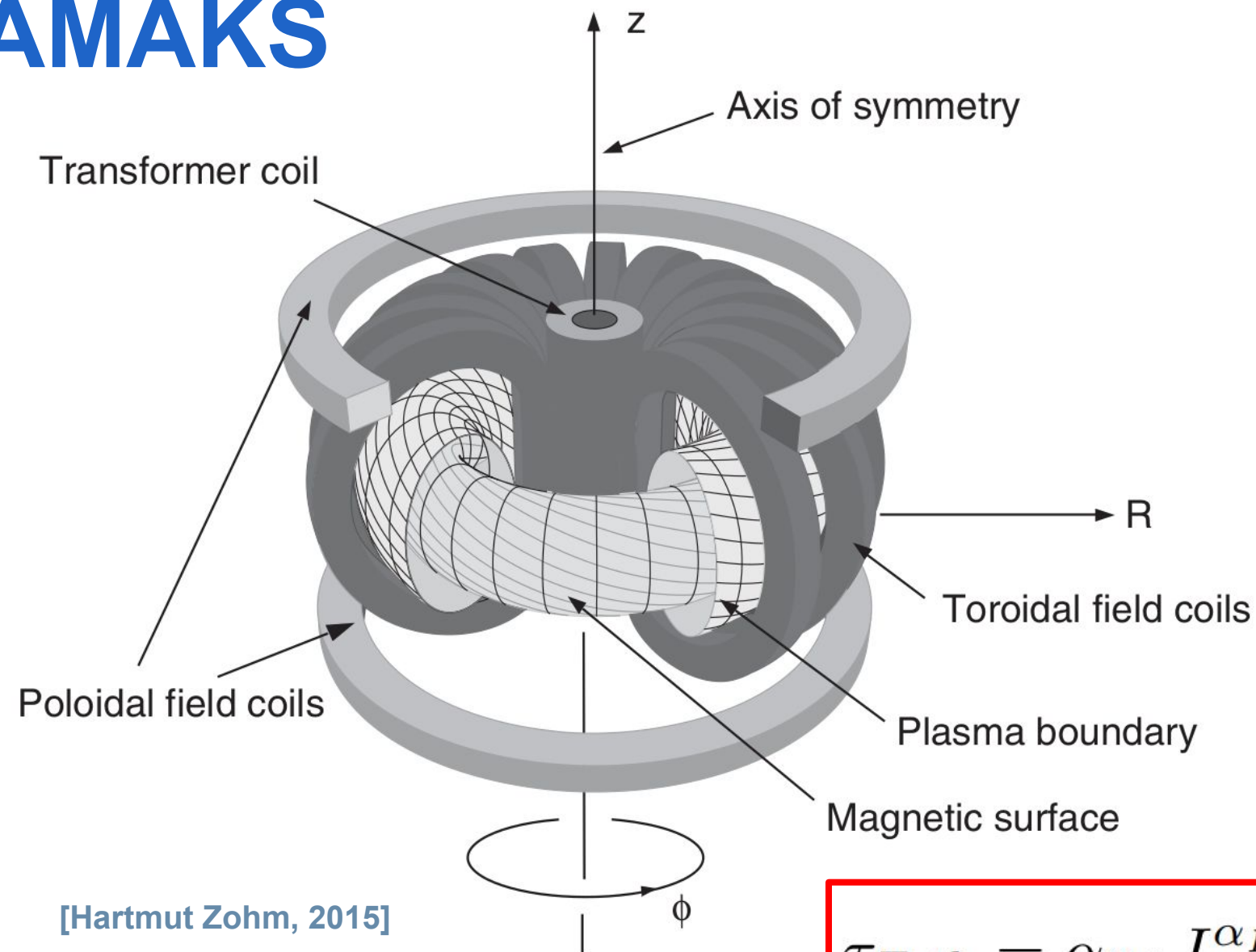
INVESTIGATING THE DEPENDENCE ON MACHINE SIZE OF THE ENERGY CONFINEMENT IN TOKAMAKS USING DATA-DRIVEN METHODS

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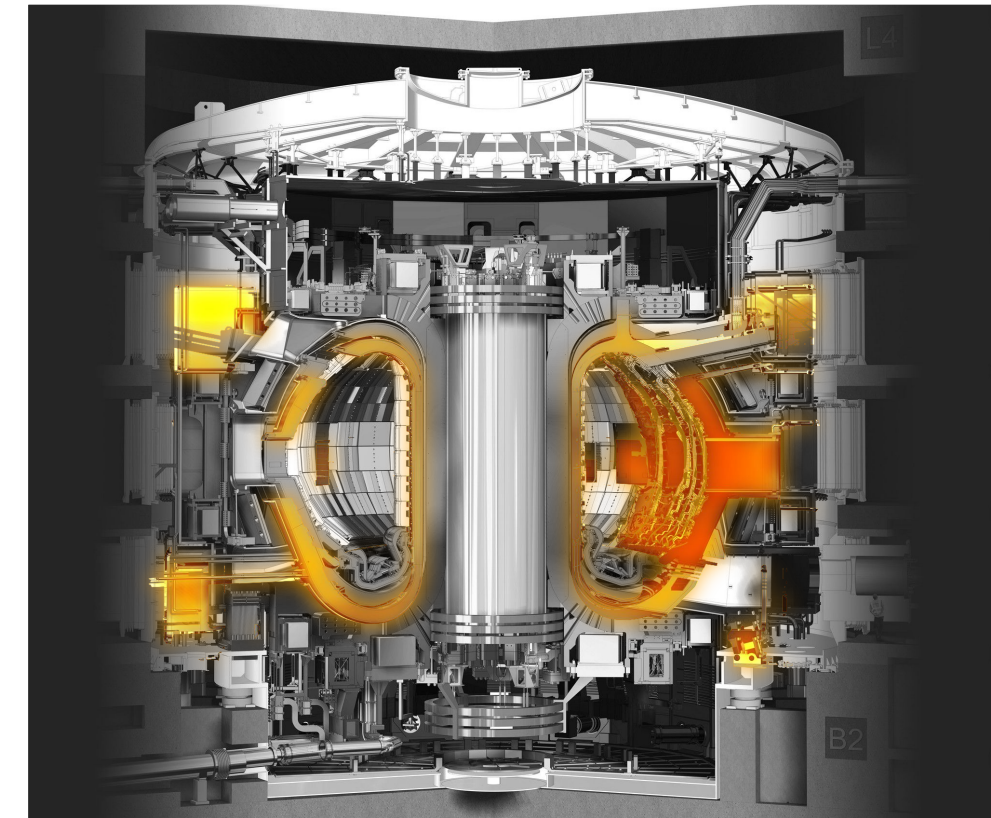
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[Hartmut Zohm, 2015]



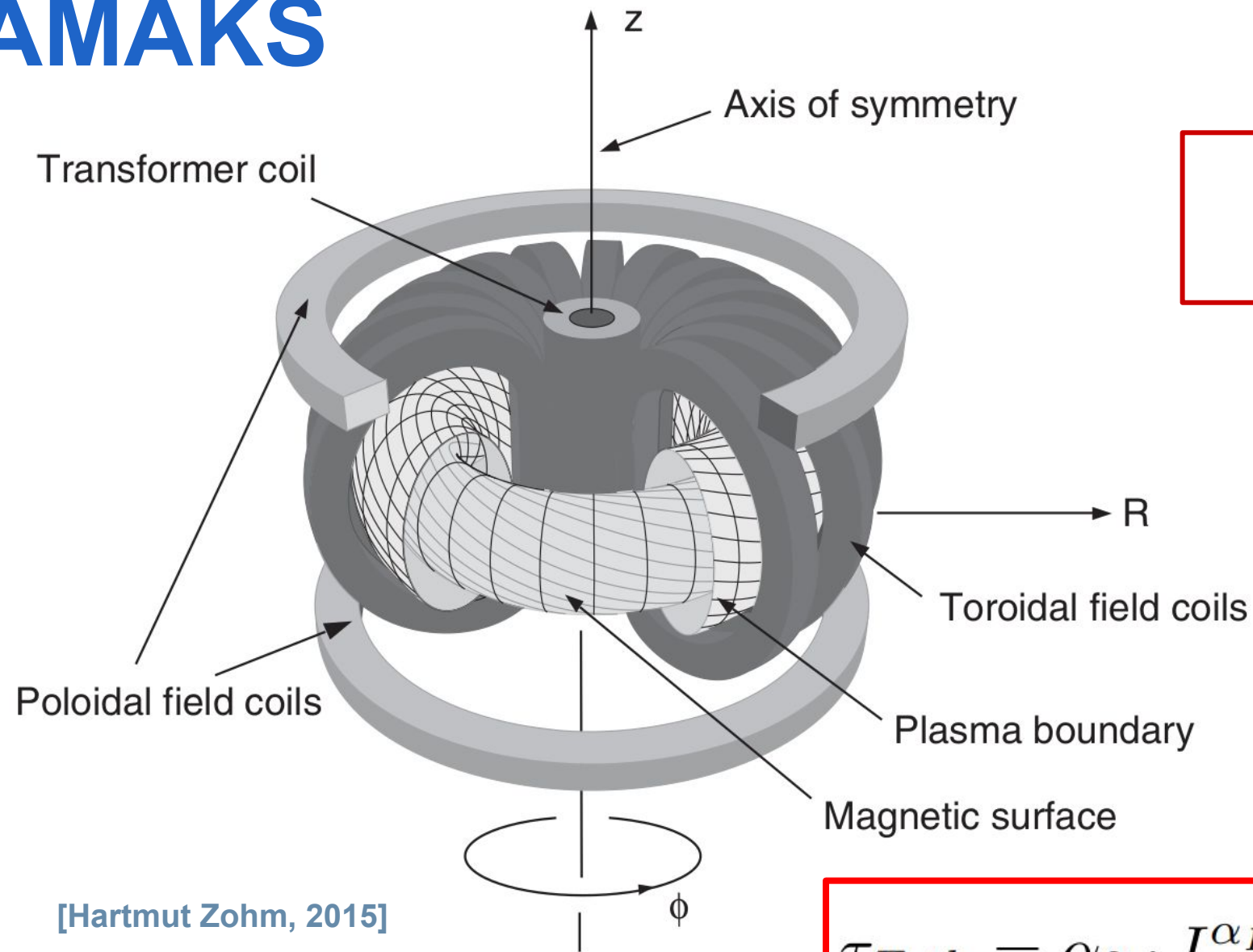
[ITER Organization, 2023]

$\log(\tau_{E,th})$

OLS

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TOKAMAKS



H-mode (EMLy subset) confinement database

STDB2
1998

$$\alpha_R \sim 2.22$$

WHY?

STDB5
2021

$$\alpha_R \sim 1.45$$

DATA?

PHYSICS?

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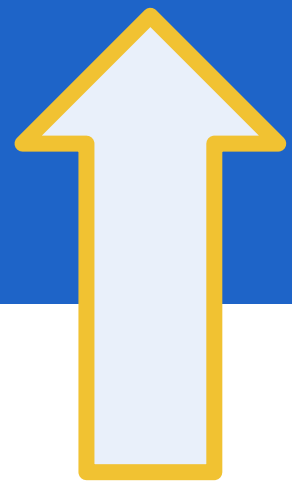
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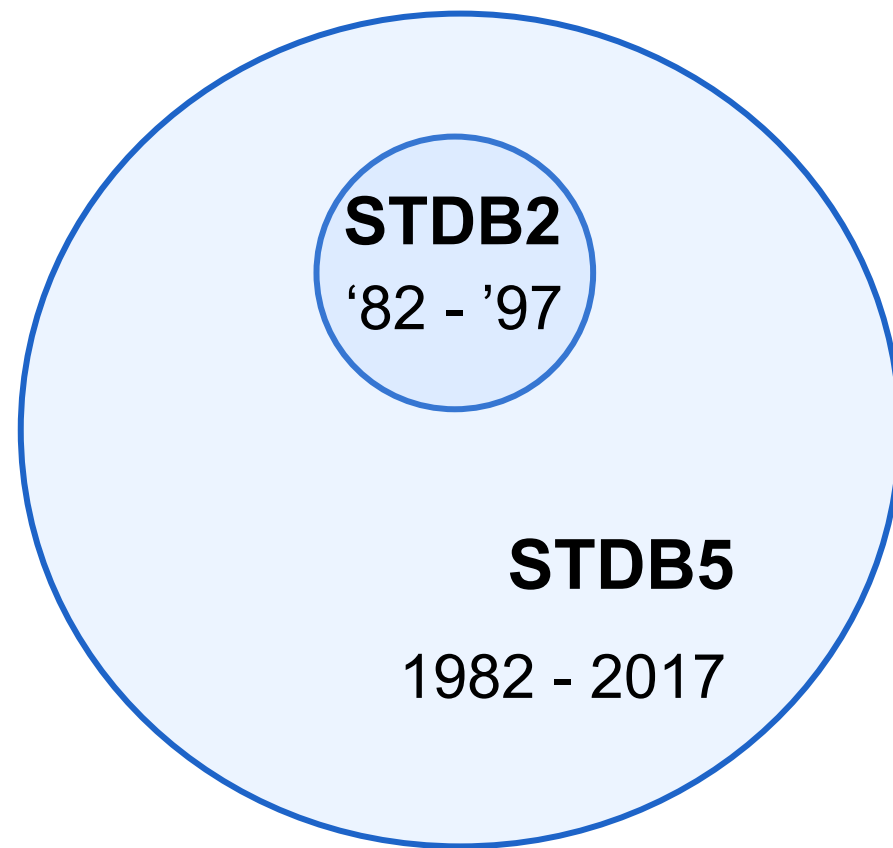
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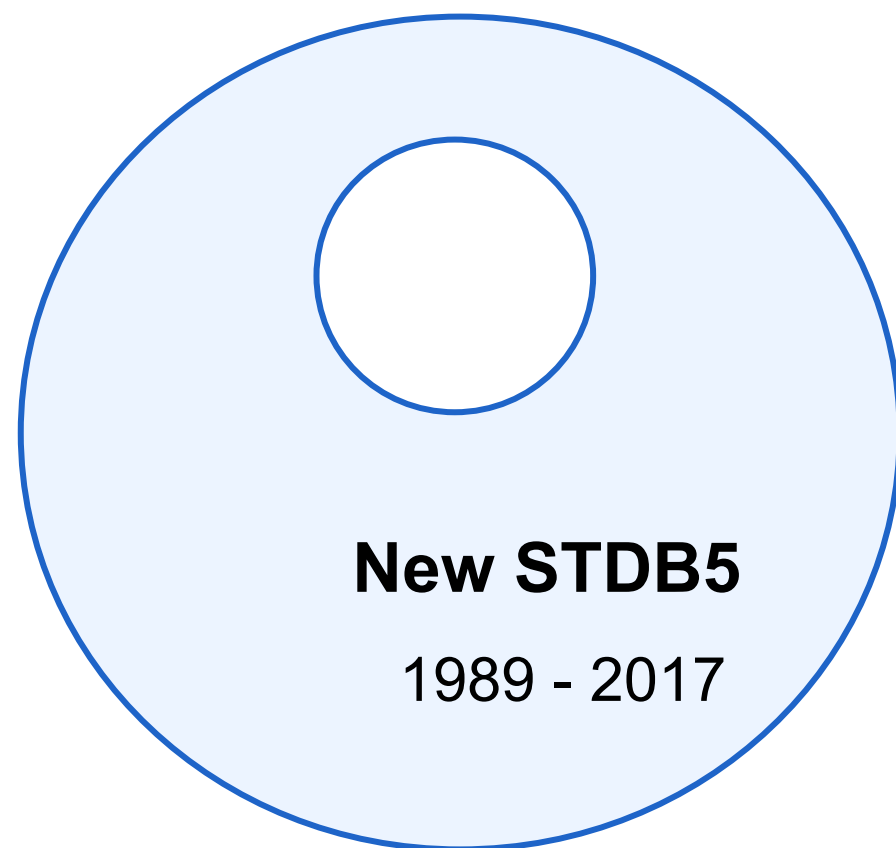


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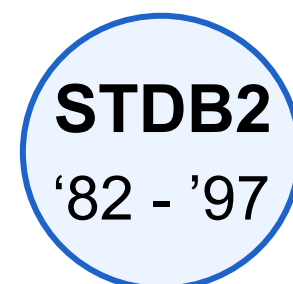


Dataset size = 6252

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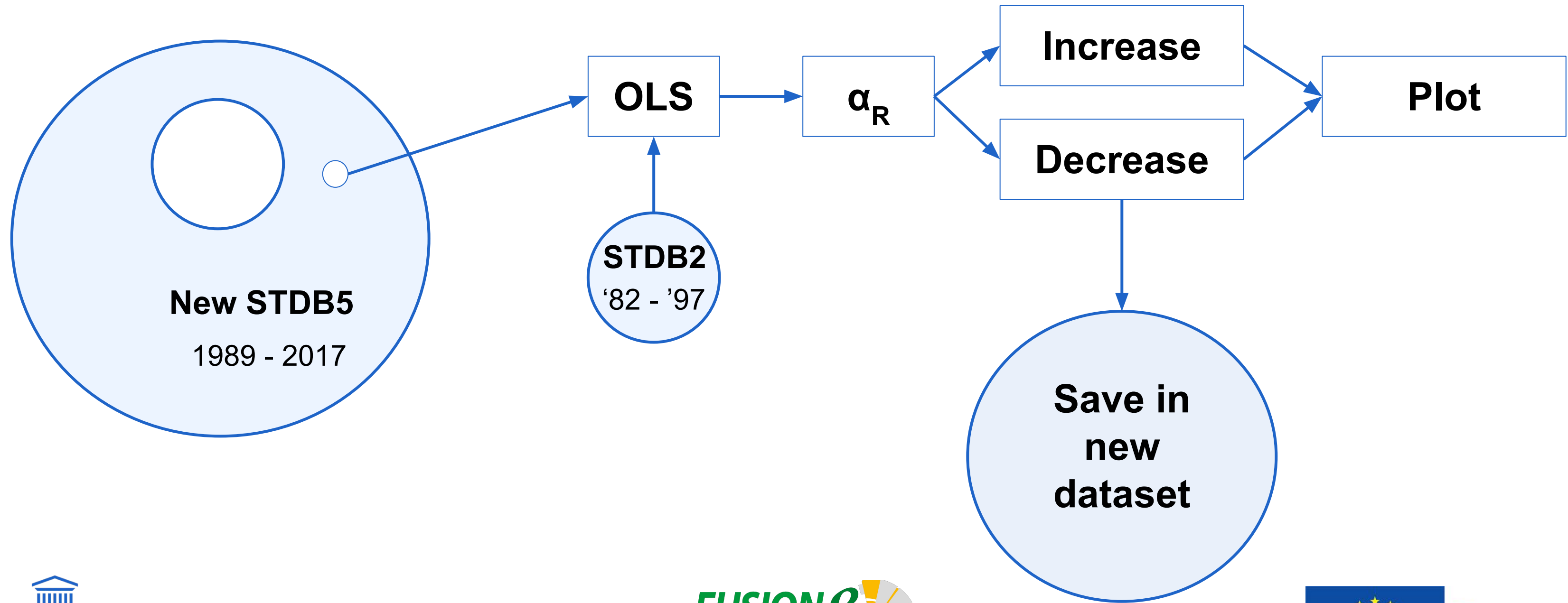


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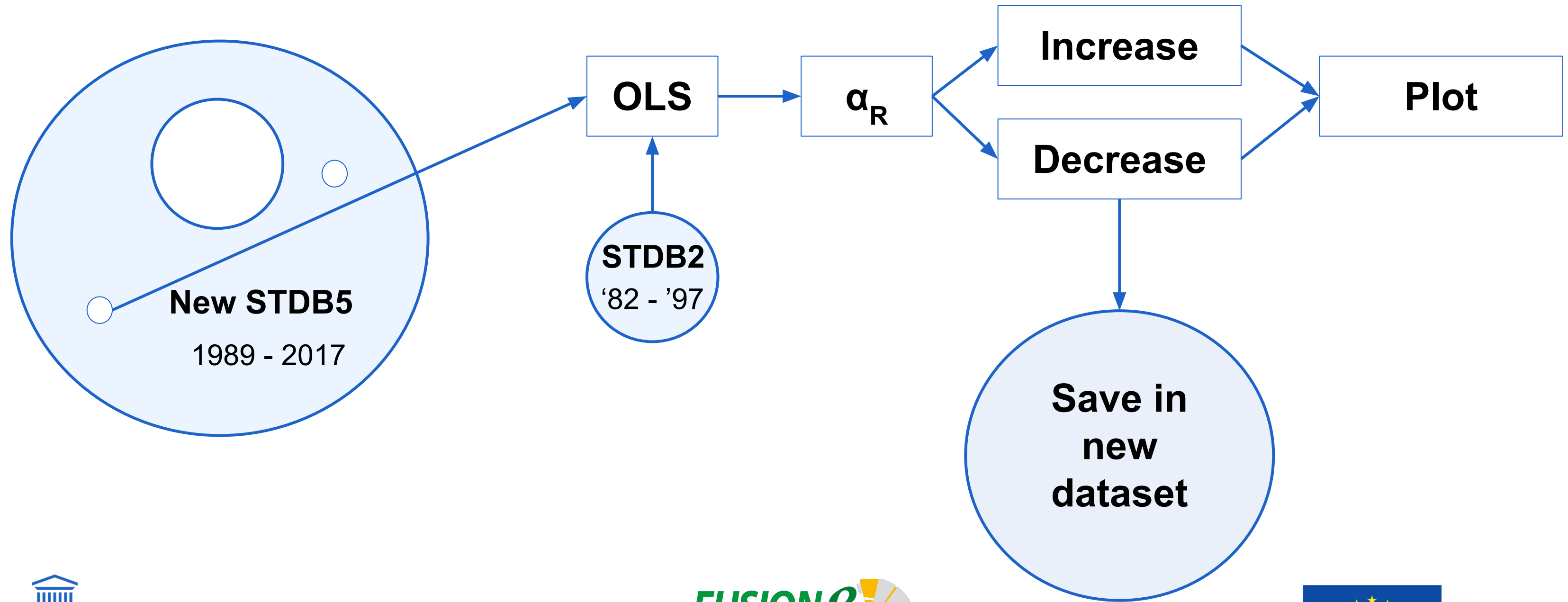


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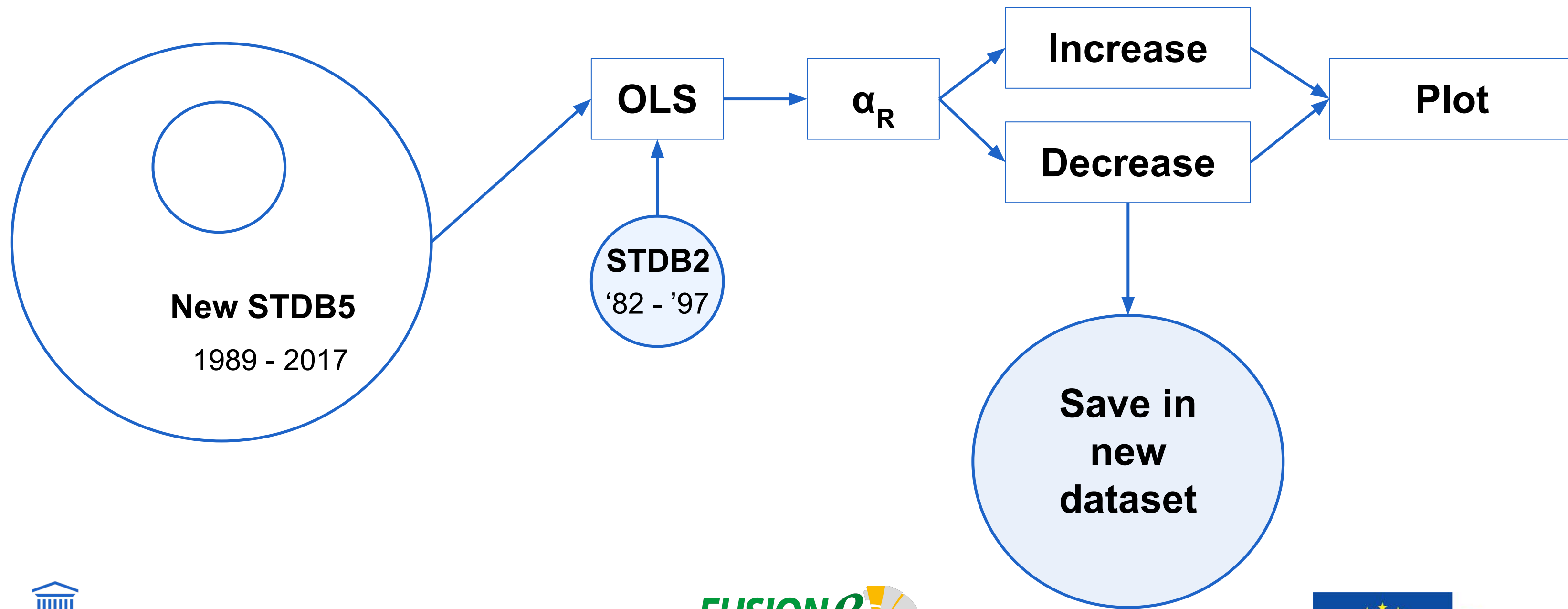
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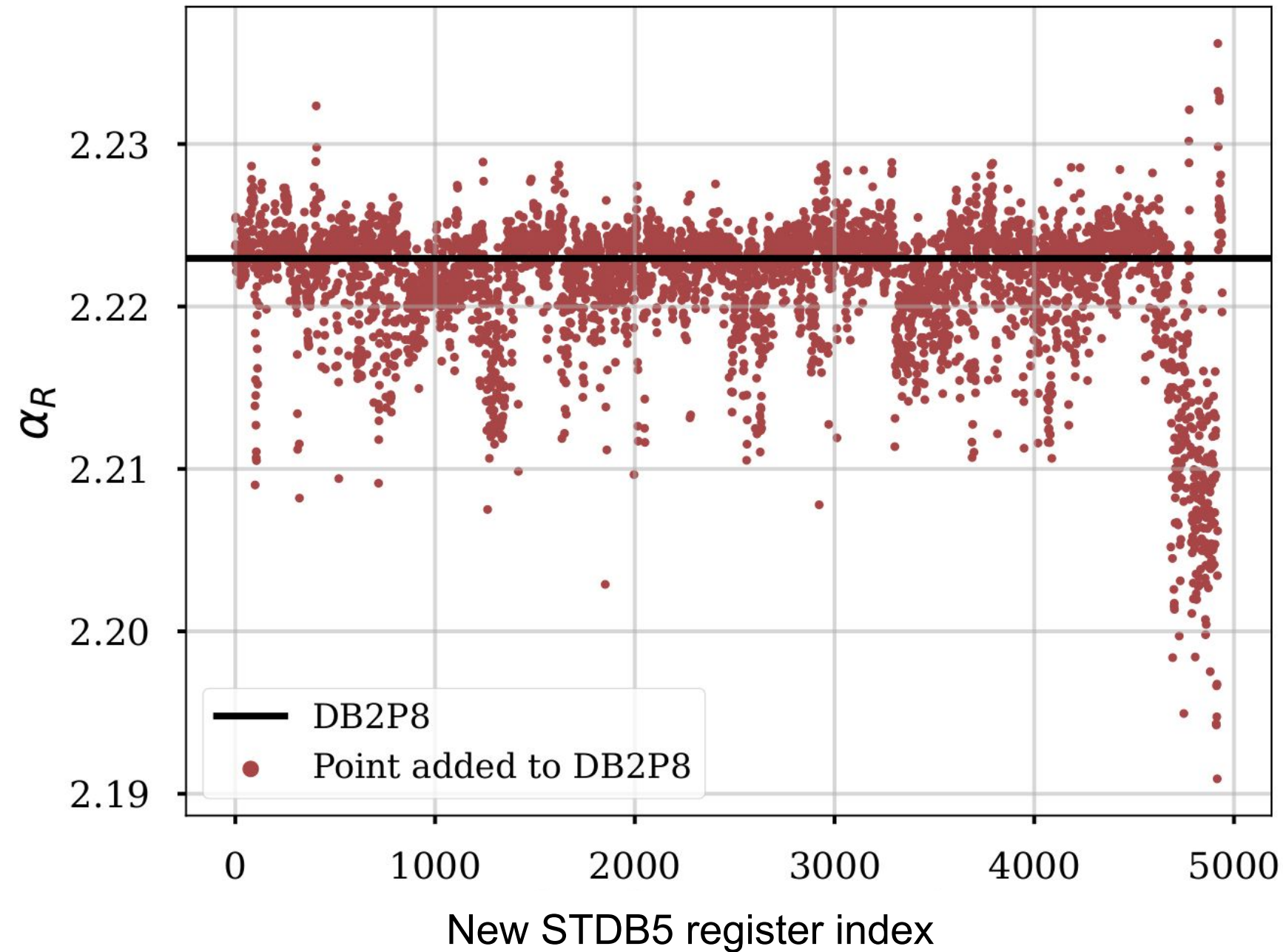
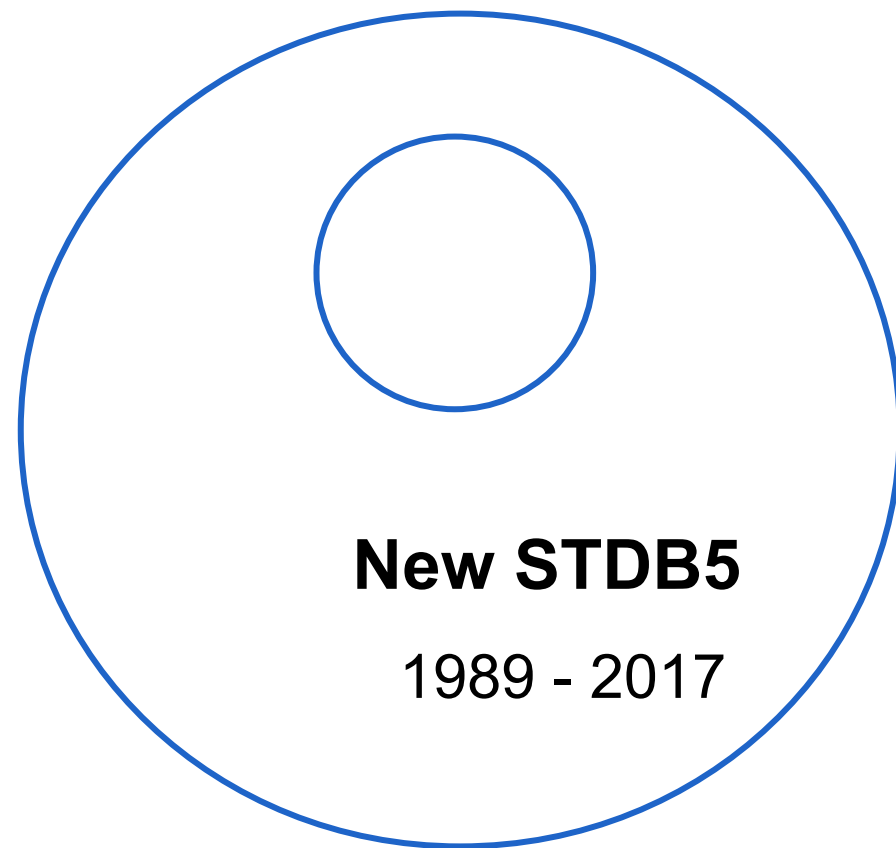
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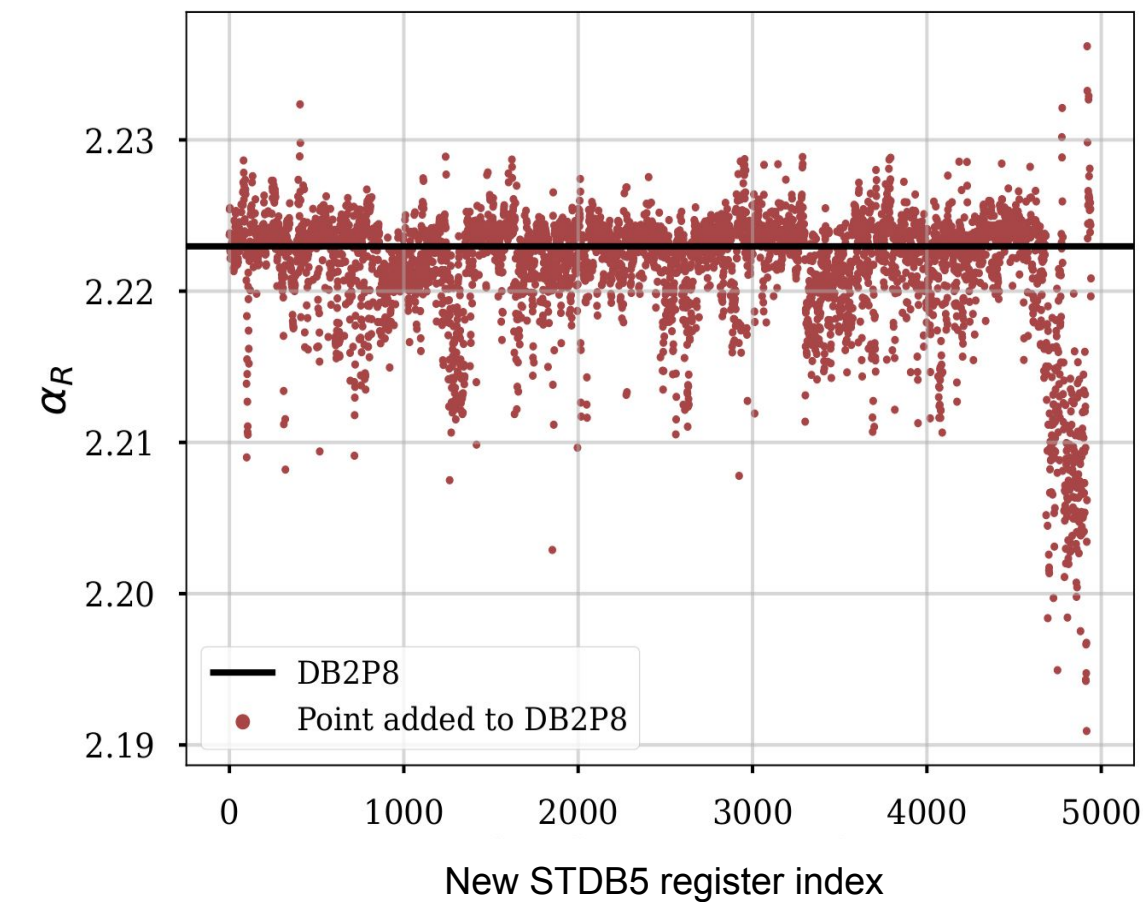
DECREASING REGISTERS



Plot

Random
Sampling

DECREASING REGISTERS



“Small dataset”

“Big dataset”

Smallest subset for
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Smallest α_R

$\alpha_R \sim 0.9998$

$\alpha_R \sim 0.6379$

Subset size = 618

Subset size = 1459

9.88% decreased α_R
90.12% did not

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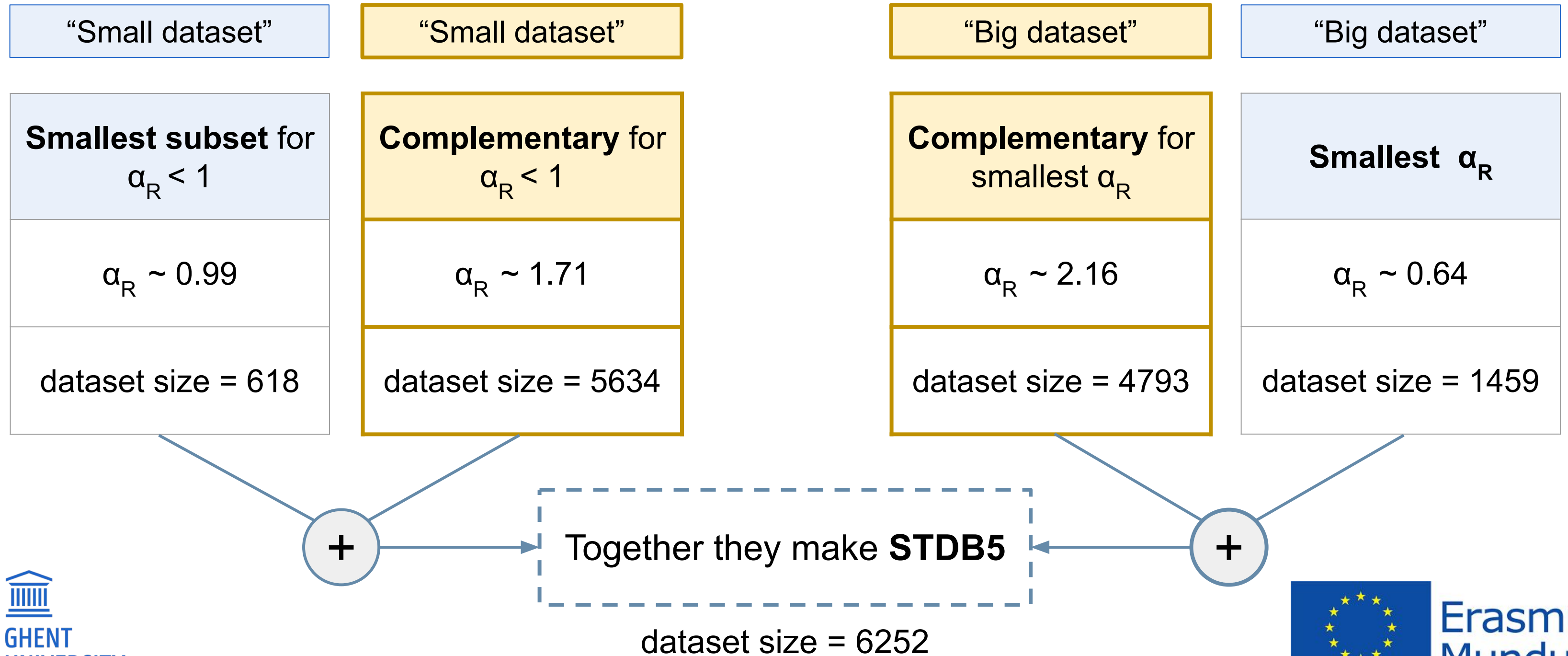
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DECREASING AND UNAFFECTING REGISTERS

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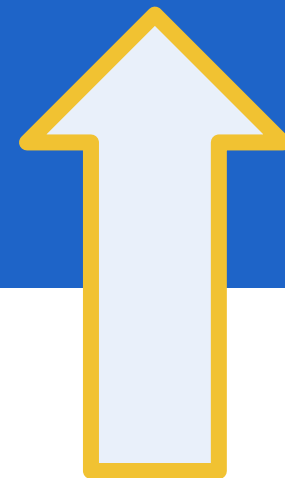


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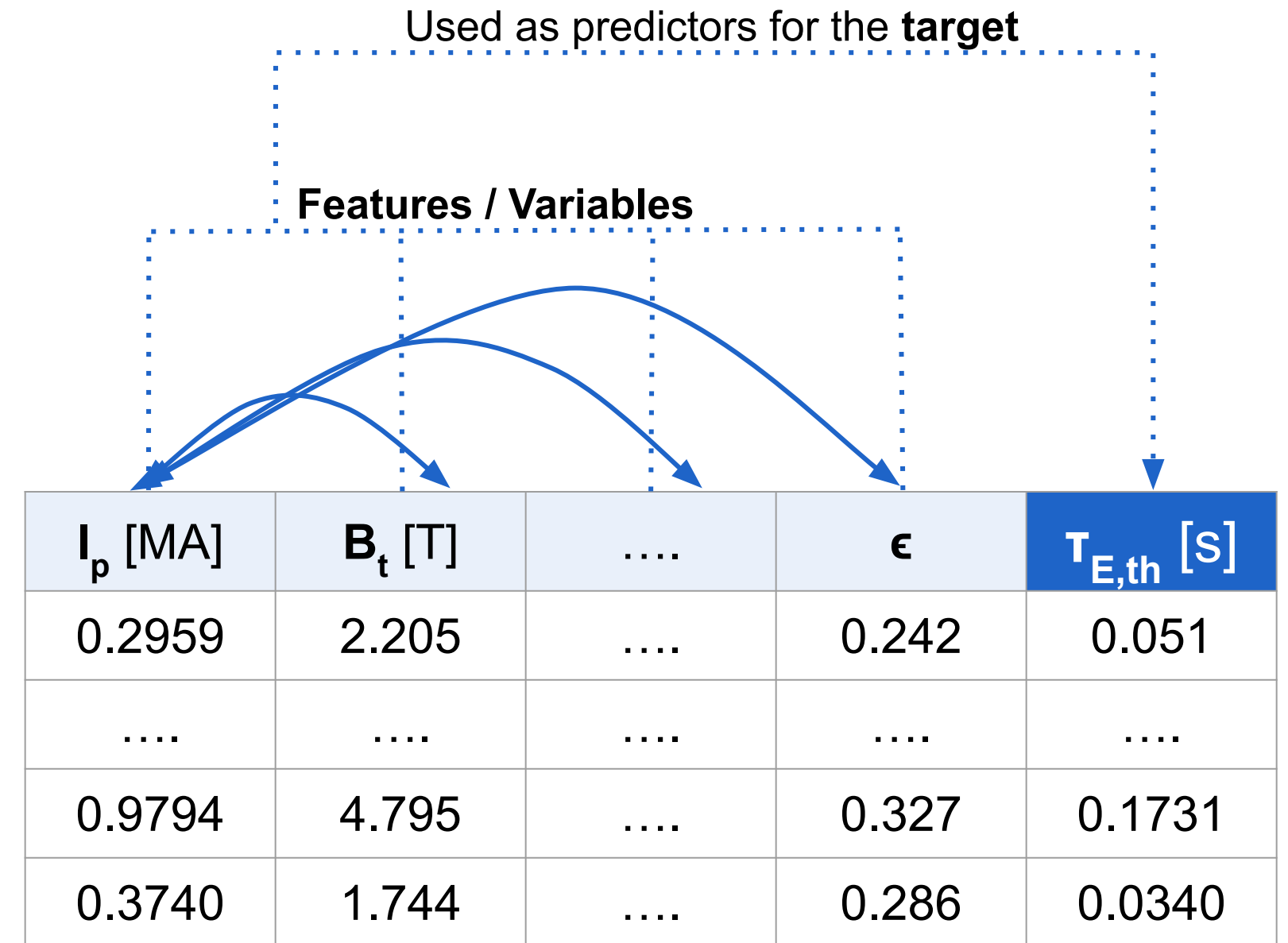
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MULTICOLLINEARITY?

CONSEQUENCES

- Increase in the standard errors of each feature
- Numerical instability
- Unreliable models



[W.-M Lee, 2021]
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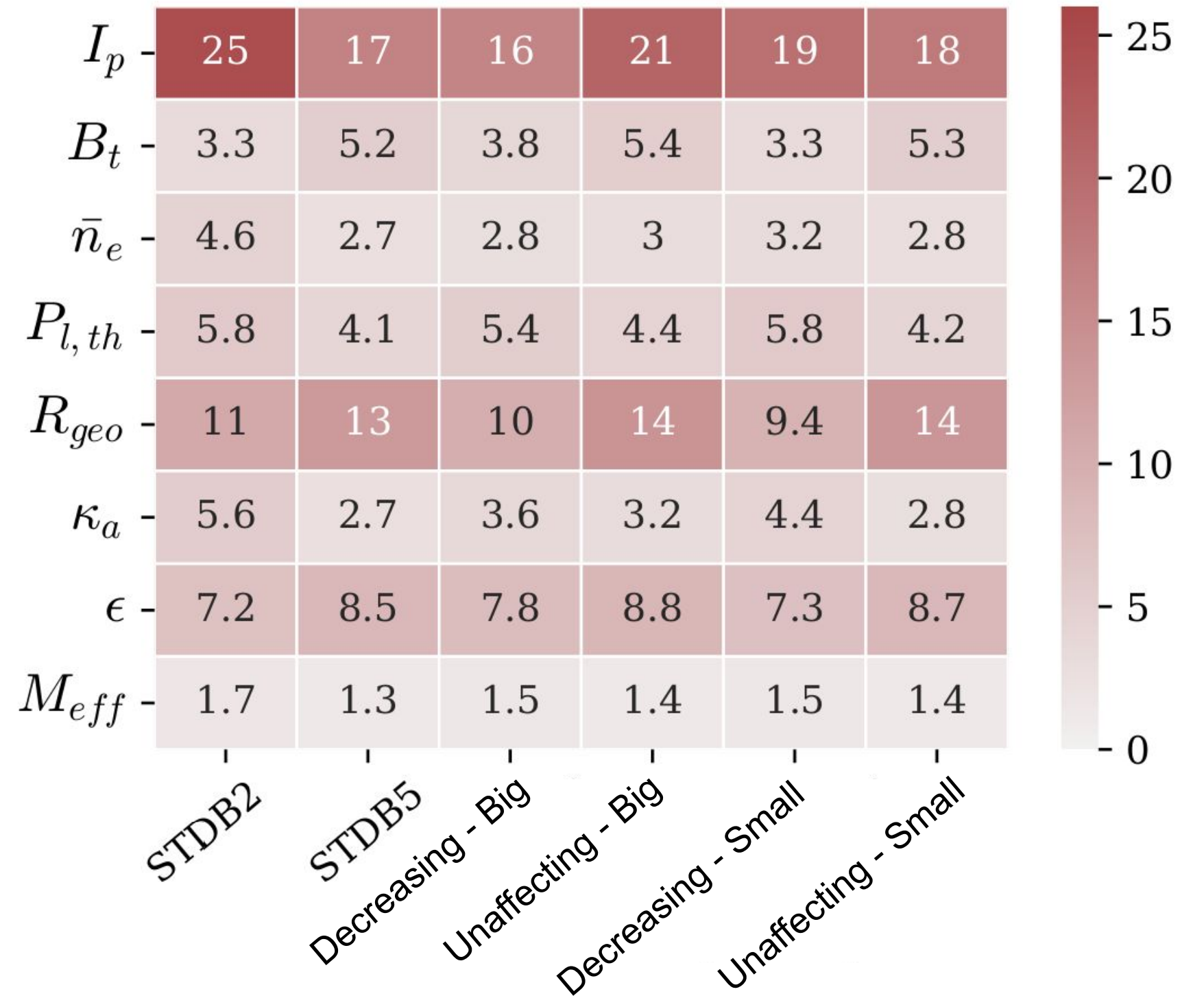
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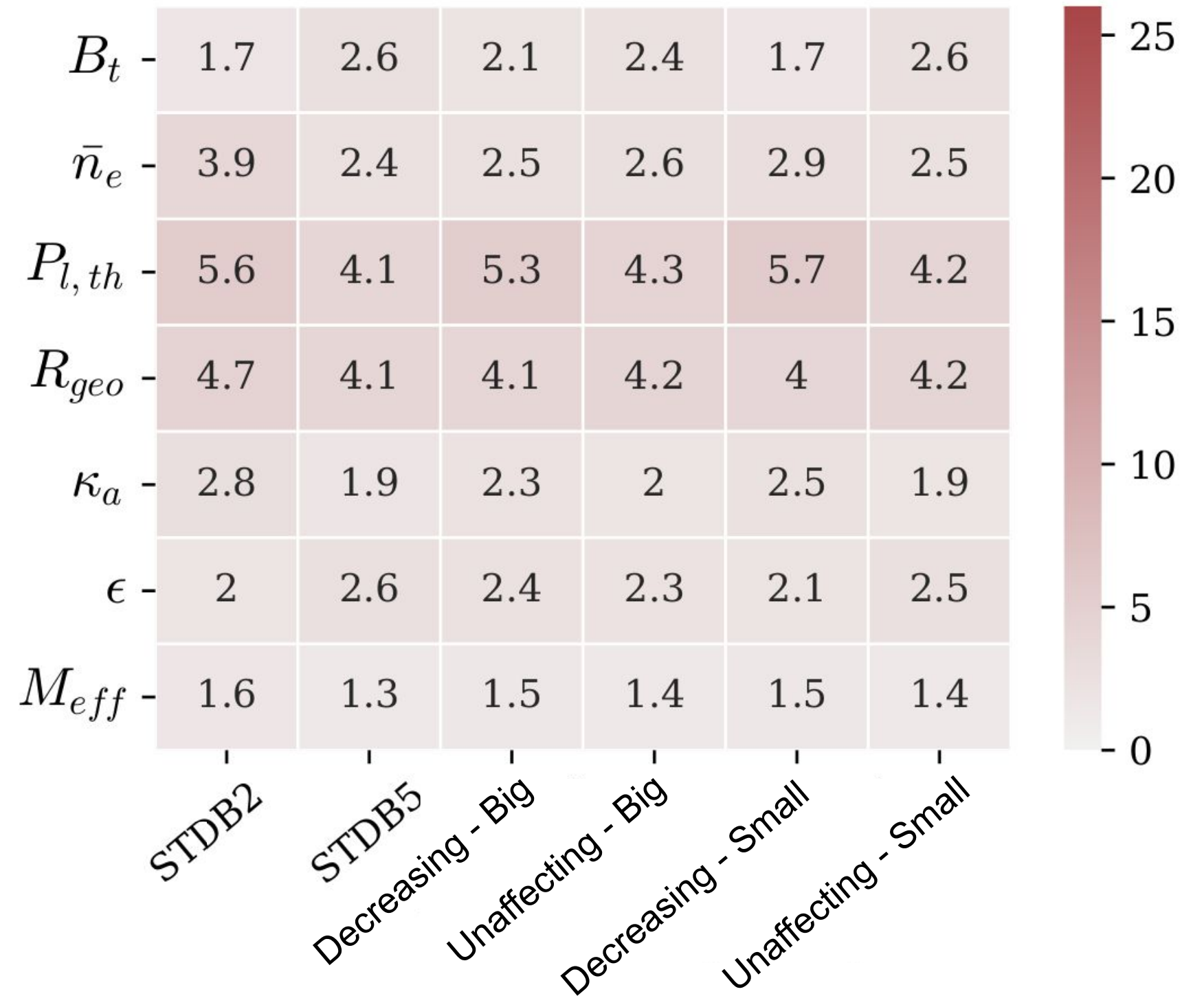


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IDEA

Keep features that
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when removed.

[M. Dash and H. Liu, 2020]

FEATURES OF INTEREST: Entropy + Low MCL

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Removing features
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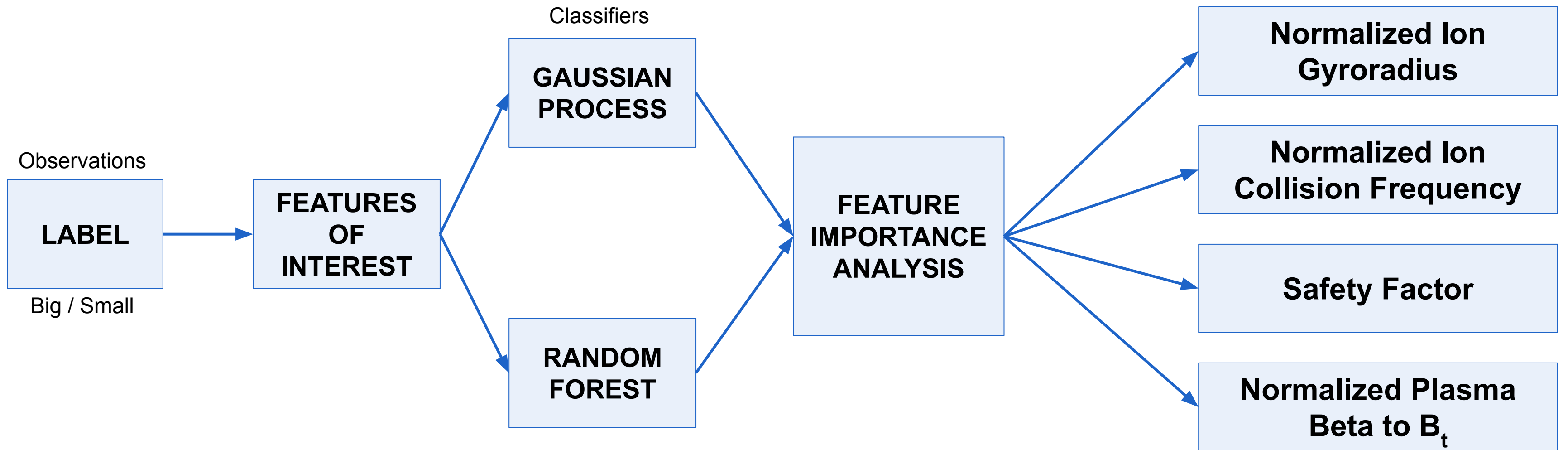
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| FEATURE | DESCRIPTION | FEATURE | DESCRIPTION |
|---------|--|----------|--|
| BETA | Plasma pressure normalised to B_t | WFICFORM | Total fast ion energy due to ICRH estimated from approximate formula |
| RHOSTAR | Normalised Ion Gyroradius | WFFORM | Total fast ion energy due to NBI |
| NUSTAR | Normalised Ion collision frequency | ZEFFNEO | Line average plasma effective charge, from Bremsstrahlung |
| Q95 | Plasma safety factor at the 95% poloidal flux surface | DWDIA | Time rate of change of the total plasma stored energy |
| PFLOSS | NBI power that is lost from the plasma through charge exchange and unconfined orbits | | |

Description of all columns in STDB5 found in [Princeton, 2021, <http://arks.princeton.edu/ark:/88435/dsp01m900nx49h>]

FEATURES FOR PREDICTION

Best Performance with “big dataset”



PREDICTIONS IN NEW DEVICES

| | I_P | B_t | \bar{n}_e | $P_{l,th}$ | R_{geo} | κ_a | ϵ | M_{eff} | ρ_* | β_t | ν_* | q_{95} | $\tau_{E,th}$ |
|--------------|-------|-------|-------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|----------|-----------|---------|----------|---------------|
| ITER | 15 | 5.3 | 1.03 | 87 | 6.2 | 1.8 | 0.32 | 2.5 | 0.002 | 2.24 | 0.014 | 3 | 3.5 |
| SPARC | 8.7 | 12.2 | 3.1 | 25 | 1.85 | 1.97 | 0.31 | 2.5 | 0.003 | 1.20 | 0.03 | 3.2 | 0.77 |

UNAFFECTED

$$\tau_{E,2.16} = 0.06 \cdot I_p^{0.78} \cdot B_t^{0.24} \cdot \bar{n}_e^{0.41} \cdot P_{l,th}^{-0.75} \cdot R_{geo}^{2.16} \cdot \kappa_a^{0.5} \cdot \epsilon^{0.79} \cdot M_{eff}^{0.22}$$

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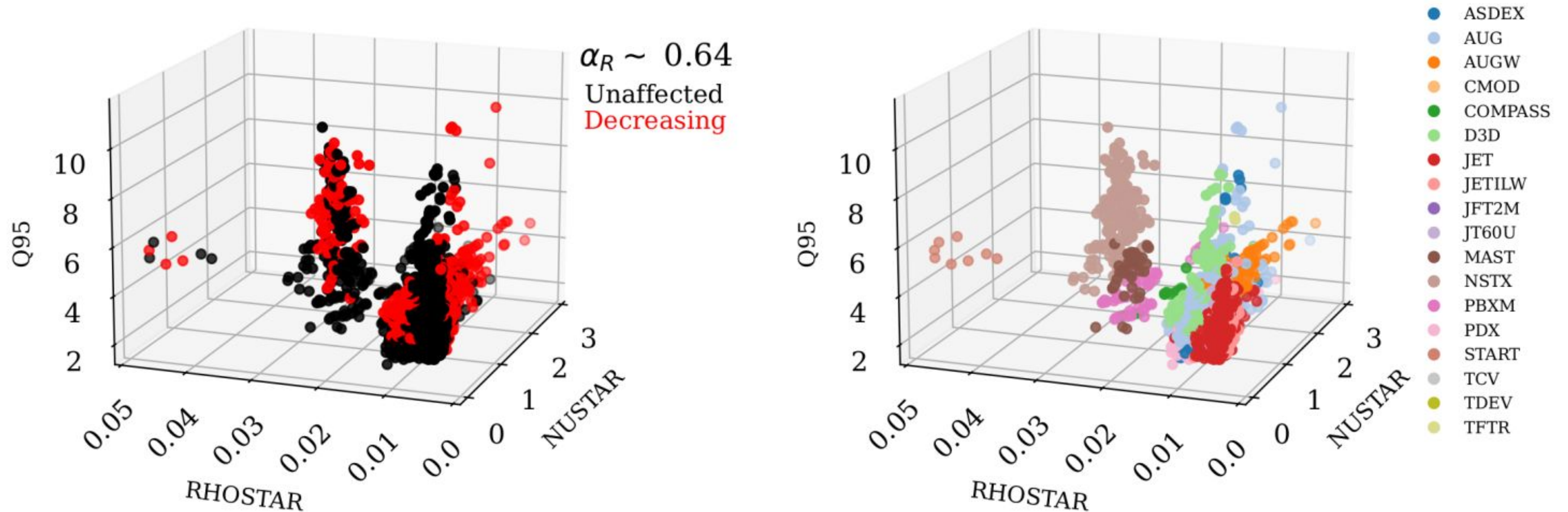
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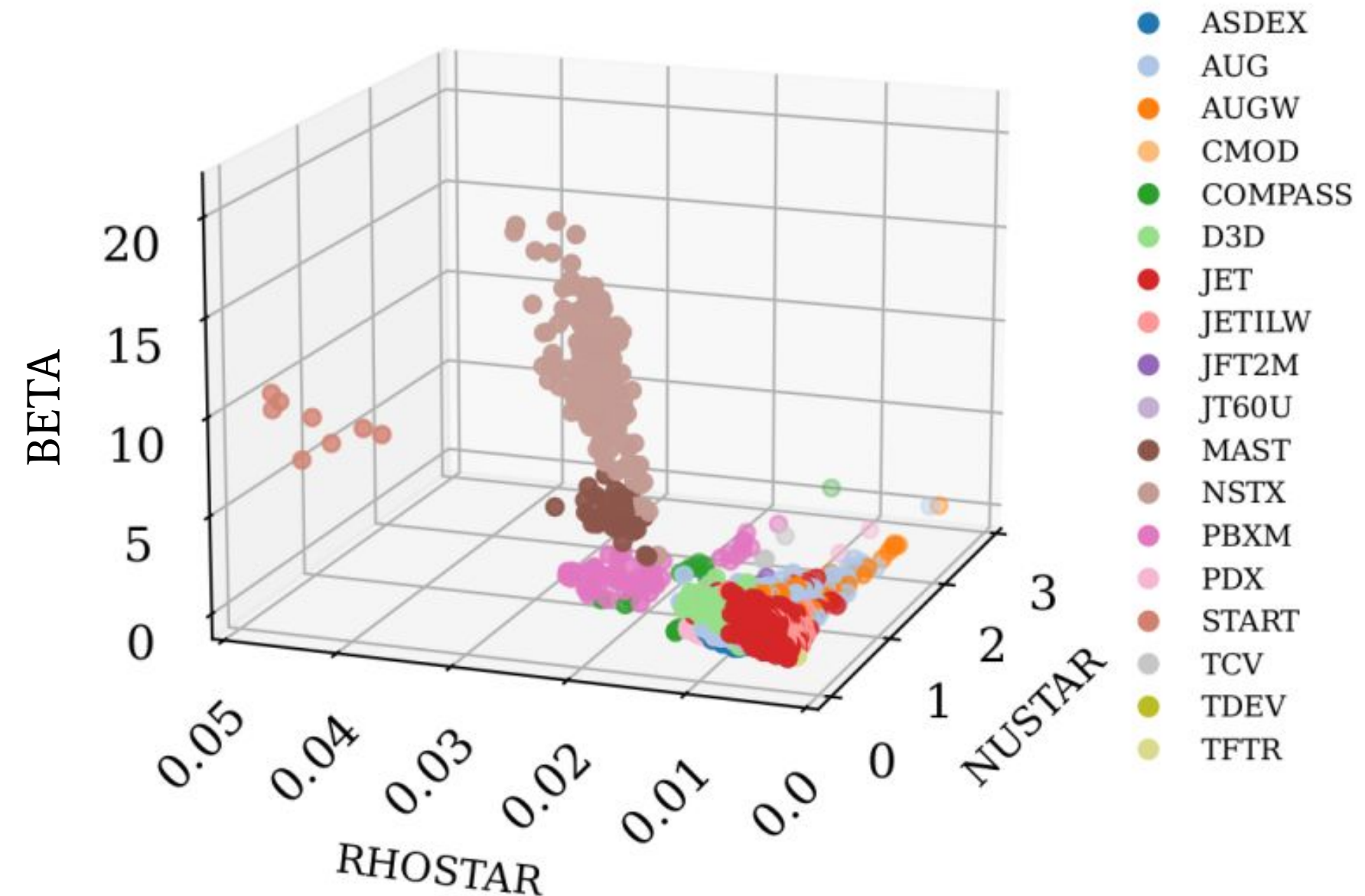
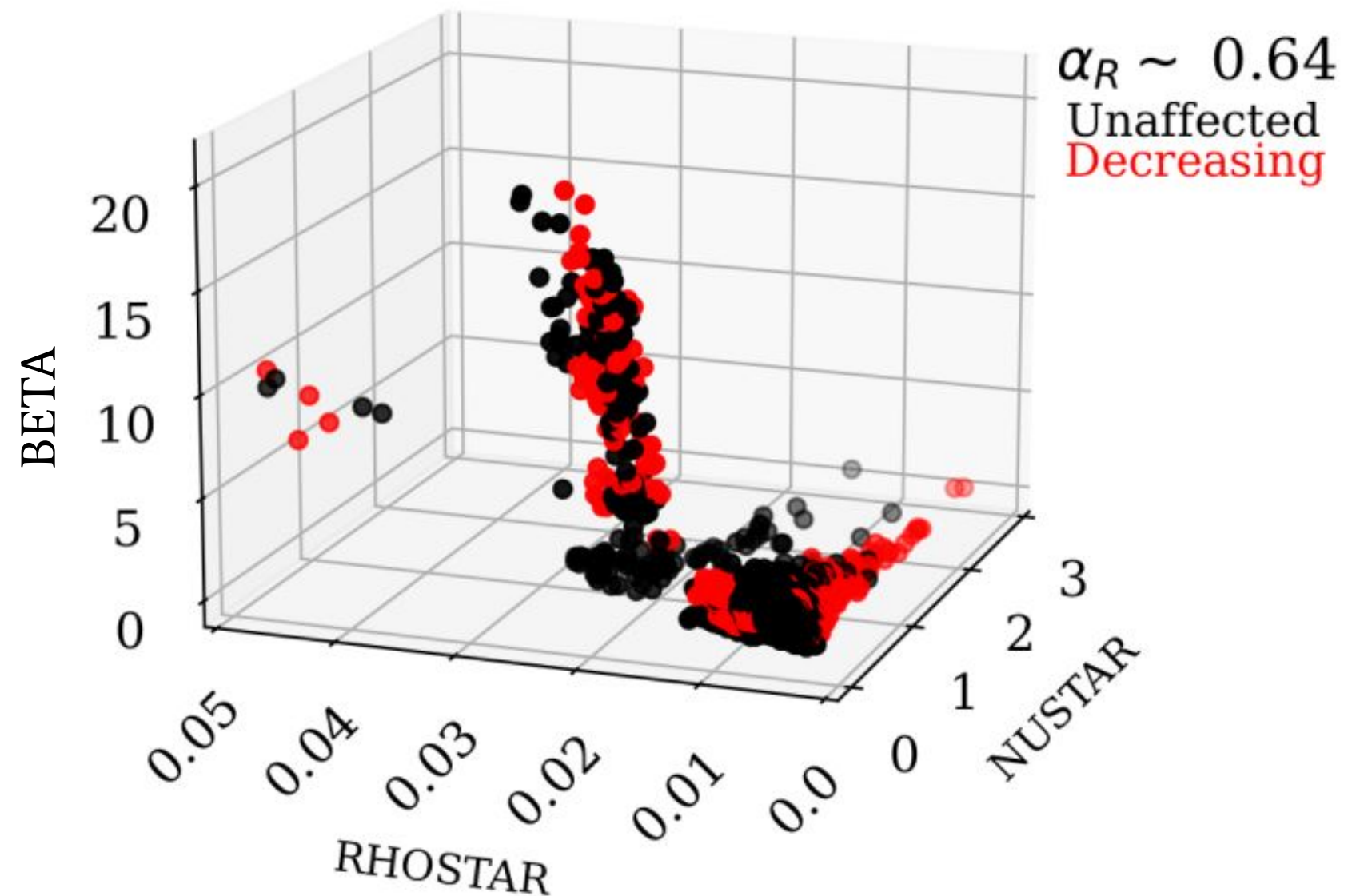
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Dimensionless Scaling and the Normalized Ion Gyroradius

$$\omega_i \cdot \tau_{E,the} \propto \rho_*^{-(2+\chi'_\rho)} \cdot F(\nu_*, \beta_t, \{p_i\}) \quad \text{with} \quad 0 \leq \chi'_\rho \leq 1$$

$$\chi'_\rho = 0.9 \pm 0.3$$

H-mode

characteristic turbulence scale length $\ell \approx \rho_*^{\chi'_\rho} \cdot a^{1-\chi'_\rho}$

| | | big_ds | | | | small_ds | |
|-------|--------------|--------|-------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | DB2 | STDB5 | $\tau_{E,0.64}$ | $\tau_{E,2.16}$ | $\tau_{E,0.99}$ | $\tau_{E,1.71}$ |
| | χ_ρ | -3.09 | -1.80 | -1.31 | -2.63 | -1.5 | -2.08 |
| | χ'_ρ | 1.09 | 0.2 | 0.69 | 0.63 | -0.5 | 0.08 |
| ITER | ℓ [m] | 0.0012 | 7.99 | 227.43 | 0.026 | 64.99 | 1.15 |
| SPARC | ℓ [m] | 0.0017 | 1.67 | 22.33 | 0.019 | 8.46 | 0.37 |

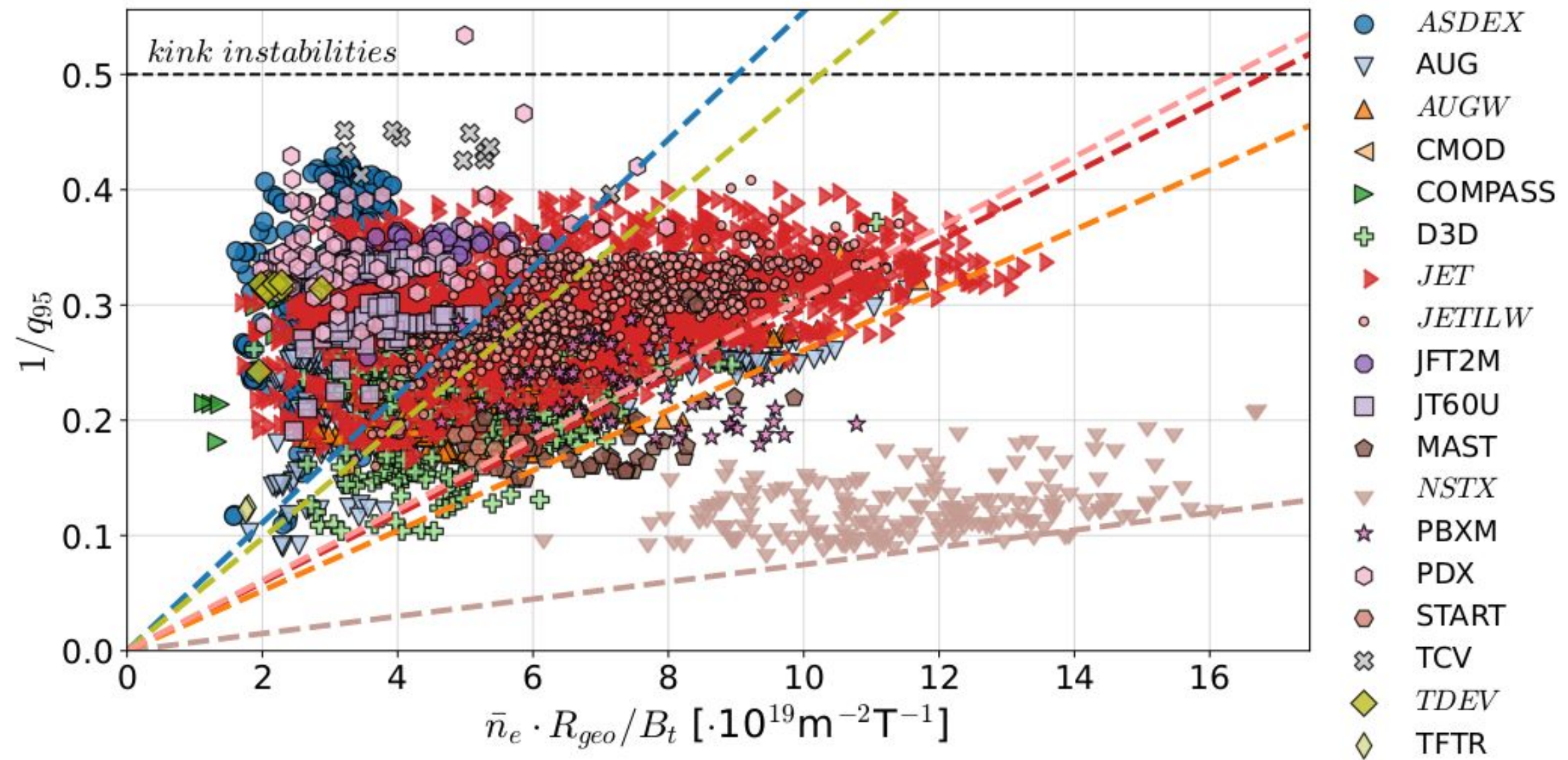
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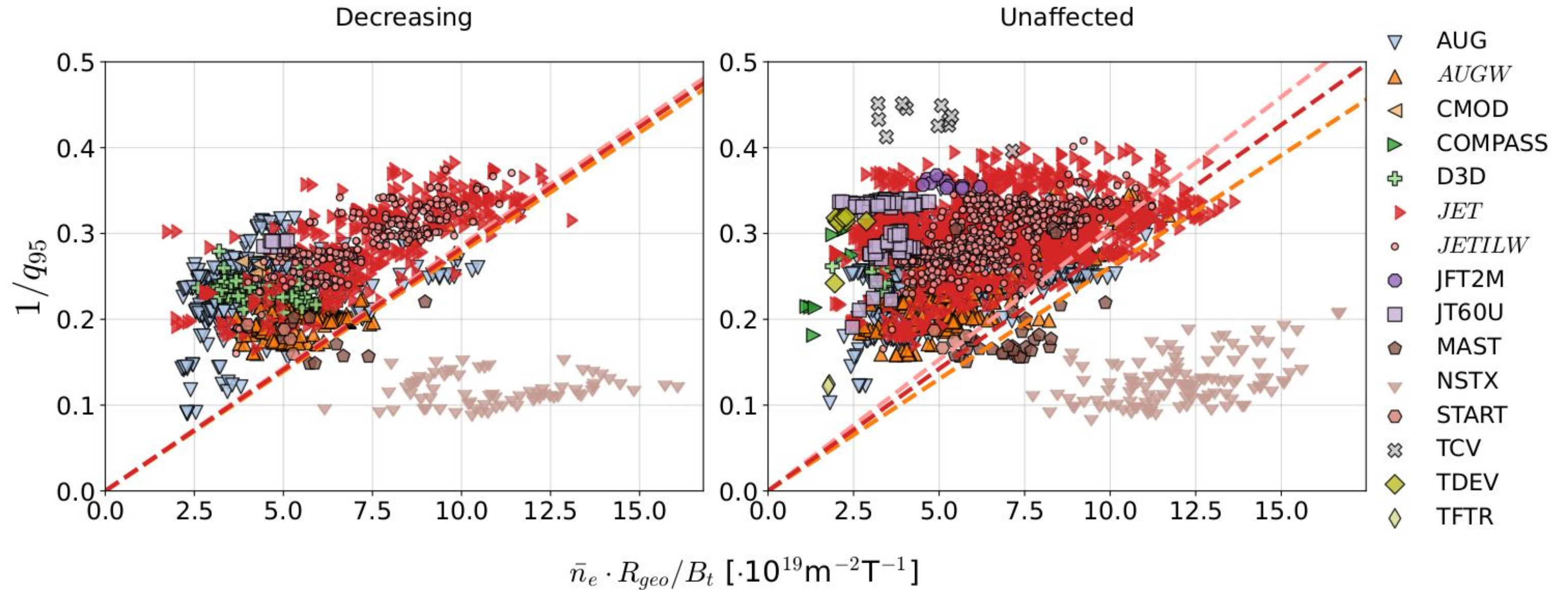
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$$n_{GW} = \frac{10 \cdot I_p}{\pi a^2}$$



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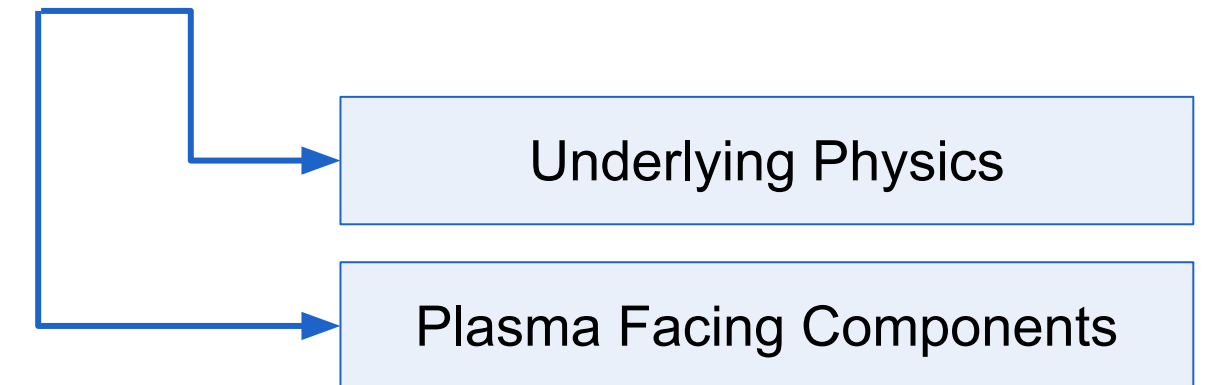
Conclusions and Further Work

CONCLUSIONS

- Multicollinearity is **not** the sole factor influencing α_R .
- It is possible to predict influencing observations with
- Chara ρ_* β_t ν_* q_{95} for spherical tokamaks.
- It is possible to tell if a dataset lacks of representative physics.
- Most of the observations that surpassed the GW limit are classified as unaffected.
- ITER and SPARC are expected to follow a scaling law similar to the 1998 scaling (great news!).

FURTHER WORK

- Obtain more data on spherical tokamaks.
- Discern between spherical and non spherical.
- Take time-series data of relevant shots and subject to other ML algorithms; e.g. **surrogate modelling**.



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Thank you! Questions?

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