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Dependence of enhanced asymmetry-induced transport on collision frequency¹ D.L. EGGLESTON, Occidental College — Our previous studies² of asymmetry-induced radial transport using a single-particle code with collisional effects have identified, for asymmetries of the form $\phi_1(r)\cos(kz)\cos(\omega t - l\theta)$, two sources for the transport: resonant particles (RPs) and axially trapped particles (ATPs). We observe that this latter type, which occurs near the radius where ω matches the azimuthal rotation frequency ω_R , is often dominant at low collision frequency ν but becomes negligible at higher ν . This can be understood by noting that ATPs have a lower trapping frequency $\omega_T^2 = (l^2 \phi_1/rB)|d\omega_R/dr|$ than RPs. In the low ν (banana) regime, the radial oscillations have amplitude $\Delta r = v_r/\omega_T$, so ATPs dominate, and the transport may even exceed the RP plateau regime level. As ν increases, collisions start to interrupt the slower ATP oscillations while the RPs are still in the banana regime, so the ATP contribution to the transport decreases. At the largest ν values, ATP transport is negligible and the observed diffusion coefficient matches that given by plateau regime RP theory.³

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