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First WEST experimental data analysis using machine learning algorithms

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Diagnostics organized into groups related to their measurement principle





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WEST reduced database



- Using the plateau recognition algorithm a reduced WEST database is constructed from statistical moments calculated at each detected plateau
- We are interested in studying the confinement quality using the plasma **stored energy** W_{mhd} and the **confinement time Tau** = $\frac{W_{mhd}}{P_{tot}}$ (main target features)
- First constructed reduced database: 36 features (diagnostic measurements) and 254 samples (detected plateaus)



Plot example of mean quantities at detected plateaus



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Stored plasma energy decreases as a function of q_95 (edge safety factor) for a given total power level



Mutual information is used to detect nonlinear relations between variables



First data analysis Confinement time scaling with total power





In the literature total power exponents in scaling laws vary between: -0.73 and -0.5 (our value: -0.57)



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Perspectives

- More diagnostics data will be added to reduced database
- Failure and error detection algorithms for diagnostics
- Improve main feature selection, regression for targets of interest, WEST pulses classification... More ideas are more than welcomed!