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Summary of goals for NCC WG and previous physics analysis



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NCC WG goals and deliverables

- Charges:
 - Specify required coil current, frequency, and location for NCC
 - Consider full set (24 coils) and partial set (12 coils)
 - Consider range of applications: NTV, EFC, RWM, RMP, ELM pacing, etc...
 - Specify required number of independent SPA channels vs. applications and requested capabilities
- Deliverables:
 - Organize summary presentation(s) on IPECOPT analysis results
 - Give presentation(s) making recommendations on NCC and SPA performance requirements, gather and incorporate team input
 - Generate written report (5-20pp Word file) documenting NCC and SPA requirements for use in developing engineering requirements document (GRD) to drive engineering design
- Due dates:
 - Initial written report April 2015 if possible (no later than May)
 - Consult with Project/engineers/designers as needed until implementation

Coil shape and locations are largely fixed now, but inverse approach through optimization is yet on



- Action item for group: Perform physics analysis to see if these options can achieve what to be expected or required
 - Should provide kA-turns and a range of frequency needed
 - Priority 1. Partial NCC 2x6 Odd, 2. Partial NCC 2x6 even, 3. Full NCC
- Action item for limited group members: Optimize coil shape/location by performing physics analysis without constraints
 - Should provide coil capability to drive optimized 3D fields

Physics analysis with partial/full NCC options

- Two equilibrium targets + TRANSP kinetic profiles were used
- Figures of merit were defined for EF, RWM, NTV, RMP, and analyzed using readily available tools (IPEC, PENT, VALEN3D, TRIP3D, POCA) for <u>NCC alone, compared to midplane alone</u>

Figures of Merit	Favorable values	MID	12 U	2x6-Odd	2x12
EF (n=1) $F_{N-R} = \frac{T_{NTV}}{\sum_{\psi_N < 0.85} \delta B_{mn}^2}$	High F _{N-R}	0.07	0.13	1.24	1.24
RWM (n=1) $F_{\beta} = \frac{\beta_{active}}{\beta_{no-wall}}$	High F _β	1.25	1.54	1.61	1.70
NTV (n \geq 3) $\Delta \left(F_{N-N} = \frac{T_{NTV}(\psi_N < 0.5)}{T_{NTV}(\psi_N < 1)} \right)$	Wide ΔF_{N-N}	1.00	1.44~6.08	1.75~11.33	6.38~ 59.4
RMP (n ≥ 3) $F_{N-C} = \frac{(C_{vacuum, \psi_N = 0.85})^4}{T_{NTV}}$	High F _{N-C}	0.25~0.30	0.31~1.04	0.43~0.77	1.18~3.53
	Wide ΔF_{N-C}	1.00	2.20~12.3	10.4~17.4	888~14400

Partial or Full NCC for n=1-3 error field correction

- It was more than enough when previous PF5 coil errors (with 20kA) were assumed
 - Needed only a few hundred A-turns in midplane coil or NCC to minimize PF5driven n=3 NTVs and n=1 error field
- However, there are expectations for n=2 error field, and possibly larger n=1 error field in NSTX-U
 - Can any assessment or model be arrived in the next 2 months (Myer)?
 - Need to estimate how many coils and how much kAt from midplane and NCC are needed to correct n=1-3 simultaneously



RWM active control capability with partial/full NCC

VALEN3D showed enhanced RWM control capability by NCC



· Extended RWM control analysis with new sensors are underway

Will presented by S. Sabbagh in this meeting



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High-β plasma response analysis with kinetic effects

- For IPEC modeling, target was chosen below no-wall limit, as ideal model is quantitatively unreliable beyond the stability limit
 - For n=1, target β_N = 2.5
 - For n>1, target β_N = 3.4
- This relied upon the assumption on the rigid dominant response mode, but recently it was shown that kinetic effects can significantly change the mode structure
 - Investigation of kinetic plasma response in high-β targets will be important especially for lower n (n=1)



MARS-K shows fluid and kinetic plasma response to NCC can be substantially different

- MARS-K test for NSTX+NCC (240 phasing with 30kHz) shows strong updown asymmetric modification of eigenmode structure
- Will be extended to NSTX-U high-β targets + NCC, at least for n=1(Wang)

 $\beta \downarrow N$ no wall ~ 4.75

NSTX+midplane (APS talk by Wang)

0.9

 $\beta_N / \beta_{N^*}^{no wall}$

1

1.1

NSTX n=1 f=30Hz

0.8



D NSTX-U

3.5

3

2.5

0.7

Amplitude ($\delta B^{tot}/\delta B^{vac}$)

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ELM stability analysis for 3D equilibrium by NCC

- Midplane coil applications in NSTX showed strong ELM triggering and pacing
- VMEC+COBRA analysis for NSTX-U shows NCCs may significantly increase this capability
 - NCCs can broaden ballooning unstable region by ~30% compared to midplane coils or 2D (benchmarked with BALL)
- Can this analysis be extended to partial NCC, or up-down asymmetric NCC applications, with relative phasing between upper and lower coils? (Canik)





RMP characteristics beyond vacuum Chirikov

 Vacuum Chirikov, TRIP3D, POCA-FLT all showed Chirikov overlap conditions can be satisfied with enhanced NTV variability



- Revision of vacuum Chirikov analysis with TRIP3D with NSTX-U (Evans)?
- Is it possible to deliver advanced non-linear modeling for NSTX-U + NCC using e.g. M3D-C1 (Evans, Nate)?

Particle, heat, and fast ion transport by NCC

- POCA-FLT (vacuum) showed large modification of field line splitting is possible with NCC
- M3C-C1 analysis, if possible, can provide this information too
- Fast-ion distribution changes by NCC compared to midplane coils?
- M3C-C1+SPIRAL would be ideal, but IPEC+SPIRAL is alternative (by sacrificing some accuracies)





Coil optimization for NTV and RMP characteristics

 IPECOPT found the best field driving n=3 NTV and partial NCC has reasonably good coupling to the theoretical optimum



- Coil amplitude and phase optimization has also been done for full NCC
- Can this work extended to partial NCC, and also for RMP characteristics?

Will be presented by S. Lazerson in this meeting

Discussion and action items

- Follow-up meeting will be held in the middle of Feb and March
- Action items to be discussed (with Partial NCC and midplane)
 - Additional input for error fields (Myer) and corresponding n=1-3 correction analysis (Park)
 - RWM control analysis with new sensors (Sabbagh, Bialek)
 - Kinetic plasma response studies for n=1 (Wang)
 - 3D stability analysis with up-down asymmetric configuration (Canik)
 - Field line tracing and RMP characteristics using linear codes (Park, Kim)
 - RMP analysis using non-linear codes (Evans, Ferraro)
 - Study of fast ion distribution modification by 3D fields
 - ...
- Target equilibria, kinetic profiles, coil information, will be all updated and placed in NCC D&D area
 - http://nstx.pppl.gov/DragNDrop/Five_Year_Plans/2014_2018/design_studies/ncc/
- Deliverables will be prepared by early April (Park, Canik)