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Divertor Cryopump and Baffle System: A Proven Technology for Long Pulse Particle Control

- Cryopumps have been implemented in a number of devices – they should be viewed as a tool to provide long pulse density control
- The basic concept is a liquid He tube surrounded by a liquid Nitrogren shroud
- A plenum system is designed to increase local neutral pressure for efficient pumping
- Preliminary design calculations are being done (by J. Canik) both with semi-analytic models and 2-D calculations, for the April, 2012 PAC meeting





PCS feedback on divertor temperature or neutral pressure, and associated diagnostics

- Two limits imposed on power handling: 1) critical heat flux that can dig a channel into PFCs and cause coolant leak, and 2) surface temp. below melting point and away from chemical sputtering peaks
- Unmitigated heat flux in NSTX-U predicted to be up to 25 MW/m²; requires control of both temp. and heat flux in real time
- Propose PCS control of divertor gas injection on divertor neutral pressure from fast in-situ gauges
- Propose PCS feedback control on temp. and heat flux from fast thermocouples: actuators are δ_r^{sep} and OSP radius



Upward facing LiTER may further improve performance



Off-midplane coils for improved control over poloidal spectrum of magnetic perturbations

- Lithium coatings work to reduce edge density and pressure and eliminate ELMs, much like RMP
- However the particle/ o¹
 impurity confinement time is too high true ELM-free H-mode
- Off-midplane coils in NSTX-U should increase particle transport from the improved poloidal spectral control: synergy with lithium?



Backup



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240 Discharges without lithium showed • 230 d=0.5. 6 M peak stored energy near $\delta_r^{sep} \sim 0$ 220 Peak W_{MHD} [kJ] 210 200 190 180 Discharges with lithium showed • 170 160 peak stored energy with more -0.5 -1 -1.5 - 2 drsep negative δ_r^{sep} , i.e. LSN 270 250 [[k]] ^{OHW}M Suggests that some method to evaporate into upper divertor should 230 be considered, along with additional upper divertor diagnostics 210ກັ -0.5 -1.5-2.0 -1.0 δ.sep [cm]