# **Run Summary of the FIReTIP on NSTX**

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### **Density Measurement Improvement by Vibration Free Stand**



Typical FIReTIP density time traces before the installation of a vibration free stand (2001)

- Sources of vibrations
  - Stray magnetic field
    - \* Magnetic shielding for laser cavity parts
  - Vibrations induced by OH force
    - \* through floor : optical table is isolated by air cushion
    - \* retro-reflector : installed

vibration free stands

- Characteristics of vibrations
  - ~ 50 microns at ~ 30 Hz



### **Vibration Free Stand Test**



Vibration free stand

### Vibration reduced to factor of 10 at 30 Hz



Without Vibration free stand

With Vibration free stand

One full cycle of sine wave corresponds to 0.6micron, number of cycles in a wave packet is proportional to the amplitude of the vibration



### **Density Measurement with Vibration Free Stands**



Density traces (channel #1 and #2), free of mechanical vibration, is demonstrated with the line-integrated Thomson scattering data along the same beam paths (2002)

#### Para/diamagnetism Study in Conjunction with EFIT Interferometry : $\phi(x) = 2.8 \times 10^{-1.5} \lambda \int_{0}^{x} n(x') dx'$ Polarimetry: $\Psi(x) = 2.6 \times 10^{-13} \lambda^2 \int_0^x n(x') B_{\rm T}(x') dx'$ 16 8 14 FIReTIP Faraday Rotation Angle FIReTIP Faraday Rotation Angle 14 FIReTIP Electron Density (**degree**) **FIReTIP Electron Density** $I_{p}$ (-10kA), $\Phi_{F}$ (degree) TF Coil Current --- TF Coil Current n<sub>e</sub> (x10<sup>13</sup>/cm<sup>3</sup>) Shot No. 108741 (x10<sup>13</sup>/cm<sup>3</sup>) Shot No. 108741 ф IOKA), 2 Tangency=32cm Tangency=57cm 0 -2 -2 0.7 0.2 0.3 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.8 0.9 0.0 0.4 0.5 0.7 0.8 0.0 0.1 0.1 0.6 0.9 time(sec) time(sec)

Faraday rotation data were smoothed by filtering out high frequency components above 33Hz

# Para/diamagnetism Study in Conjunction with EFIT



Difference in Faraday rotation angle between vacuum field and presence of diamagnetic effects (~0.5 kG)

Comparison between Faraday rotation data and calculated rotation angles using both vacuum magnetic field and magnetic field calculated by EFIT equilibrium code (2001)





### Edge Density Transition (L-H Mode)



Time evolution of density shows the "ear structure" of the spherical torus





# Correlation of Density Rise with Da Emission

- Subtraction ch2 from ch1 indicated sudden rise of L-H mode transition
- FIReTIP edge channels(ch6,ch7) will provide high time resolution data at the edge
- FIReTIP (ch1-ch2) density rise is more close to Da/diverter than Da/center stack
- Near future we will install IF system dedicated for the low frequency fluctuation measurements

### Examples of MHD and CHI plasma measurements





Density evolution during the Coaxial Helicity Injection (CHI)



# **Conclusion**

- Stark-tuned laser provided a potential for the high time resolution (up to ~MHz) and convenient control of the beat waves.
- Density measurement was improved by vibration free stand
- System upgrade including channel expansion is in progress
- Para/diamagnetism (EFIT) and edge density (L-H transition) will be the focus
- Future physics studies : edge turbulence, real time density control and full profile study

