Flows, Turbulence, and the Edge Plasma in NSTX

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- XP442 Scoping Study of Ohmic H-modes
- Fast Cameras Flows, turbulence, and phenomena
- Tile Langmuir Probes

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Motivation

Ohmic H-modes have low centrally peaked densities

 Explore edge and core turbulence simultaneously
 Target plasma for early NBI and combined ITB and ETB







- Scoping study in parameter/configuration space
- Measure turbulence in core and edge of Hmode simultaneously
- Assess use as Target Plasma

Results for Ohmic H-mode Scoping Study

- One-half run day mini-scans in B_t and I_p
 - Some OH-H-modes randomly on other days
- H-modes at 600 to 900 kA, 3.0 to 4.5 kG TF
 - Short H-mode at $I_p = 600 \text{ kA}$, $B_t = 3 \text{ kG}$
- OH H-modes obtained for 1st time ever on NSTX during this run
 - Most readily obtained after hot boronization
 - Alternating helium conditioning shots seem to help
 - Obtained both double null (DN) and lower single null (LSN) divertor
 - Most short duration, some with ELMs and some ELM-free
- Peaked Central n_e
 - ELMy: Small high frequency ELMs (?) keep ears from developing
 - ELM-free: have ears, but edge peak lower than central $\rm n_e$
- No turbulence measurements made in core of OH H-mode
- Some edge reflectometer fluctuation data; Some GPI data, not L-H



PLOSS for NBI and OH Hmodes





Edge measurements (ERD) in Ohmic H-modes show E_r and V_p change prior to L-H transition

Shot 113350



 E_r and V_p begin to change 10 to 20 ms before L-H transition (here at t ~ 0.220 sec)



Highest Normalized β (β_N~35%) **Shot: Perturbed by an External Kink Mode:** (CIII filter)

Shot 114463 277ms 286ms 283ms 292ms 298ms 343ms



H-mode Showing Quiescent → External Kink → Small Torus at EOS: (CIII filter)

Shot 114151 325ms 373ms 401ms 421ms 429ms 450ms

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Medium ELM Images #2

#113484 @ 4 μ sec/frame (D_a light)



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Activity Near Inner Wall During and Following an ELM (157-175 ms)



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Langmuir Probes



- Flush mounted single probes
- Total of 22 probes, 6 top and 6 bottom divertors
 - Remainder along centerstack
- Have data for vast majority of shots
- Virtually no signal from centerstack probes when plasma is diverted
- Some I_{sat}, T_e, n_e data in Tree soon



Future Plans



- Continue XP442
 - Get core turbulence data
 - Finish scoping studies
- Fast camera studies
 - Add filters CI, Lill, Neon
 - Correct fisheye distortion
- Langmuir Probes
 - Get data in tree
 - Additional probes (?)



Backup Slides



Extras



