



# Initial Experimental Measurements of Beam Ion Confinement

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### Beam Ion Confinement is Initially Assessed in XMP 110 (FIDA/SSNPA Checkout)

> XMP 110 was partially completed, XP1522 (beam ion confinement) was not performed due to NB 1A and MSE unavailability.

#### □Plasma conditions

- Center-stack limited L-mode plasma, B<sub>t</sub>=0.65T, I<sub>p</sub>~0.7MA, NB 1B, 1C, 2A, 2C
- Neutron rate dominated by beam-plasma reactions

#### □Beam blips (~20ms pulses)

- E<sub>ini</sub>=65keV (March 30) and E<sub>ini</sub>=85keV (June 28)
- Rise depends on number of confined beam ions injected
- $\propto \frac{dn_f}{dt} n_i < \sigma v > \\
  \propto T_e^{3/2} / n$ Decay depends on slowing down & losses on t<sub>slowing-down</sub> measure neutron rise & decay and compare with TRANSP prediction

#### **Relatively long (100ms, >fast ion slowing-down time) pulses**

E<sub>ini</sub>=65keV (April 1)

Measure beam ion profile and compare with FIDAsim modelling

### At E<sub>inj</sub>=85keV, Neutron Rise and Decay Rate Agree with TRANSP Modelling



For E<sub>ini</sub>=85keV, beam lons are well confined based on neutron decay

#### At E<sub>inj</sub>=65keV, Relatively Large Discrepancy between Measurements and TRANSP Modeling



- Large discrepancy in neutron rise, depends on absolute neutron rate
- ~20% discrepancy in neutron decay

#### Possible Reason for Discrepancies for Neutron Rise and Decay for E<sub>inj</sub>=65keV Case

- Reasons for Rise discrepancy  $rise \propto \frac{dn_f}{dt} n_i < \sigma v >$
- $\underline{Z}_{eff}$ : currently assuming  $z_{eff} = 1.5$ , need to increase  $z_{eff}$
- <u>Beam species mix (especially full energy component)</u> possibly need to lower f<sub>full</sub>
- Neutron calibration uncertainties
- Equibrium
- Large "Prompt" Fast ions-losses ions must escape in <1ms</p>
- <u>Density</u> unlikely, increasing n<sub>e</sub> makes decay discrepancy worse
- Reasons for Decay discrepancy  $decay \propto T_e^{3/2} / n$
- <u>Fast-ion Losses on 10 ms timescale</u> possible, huge edge neutral density/wall condition, error fields, MHD
- Electron Temperature

maybe, but at low  $T_e$ , measured decay agrees with TRANSP

<u>Density</u> unlikely, decreasing n<sub>e</sub> makes rise discrepancy worse

#### Measured v-FIDA Profile and Peak Position Shift Outward when Injecting NB 2A



#### Preliminary FIDASIM Simulations Show Similar Trend as Measurements



## Analysis of SSNPA Data is Under Way



- Neutral flux rise and decay contain information on beam ion confinement
- Detailed analysis will be performed after
- Spatial calibration (in progress)
- relative intensity calibration
- In FY17, add new pulsecounting mode SSNPA to measure fast ion energy spectrum

## Summary

- At high injection energy (85keV), beam ions are well confined based on neutron decay.
- At the low injection energy (65keV), the measured neutron rise is lower and the measured decay rate is slightly faster than TRANSP predictions. Potential reasons are uncertainties in Z<sub>eff</sub>, E<sub>full</sub> fraction, S<sub>neutron</sub>, edge neutrals.
- Comparisons of measured FIDA and SSNPA with simulations are in progress.



# **Backup Slides**



#### Beam-blip Technique Measures Prompt and Delayed Losses



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### 204091 (2A) vs 204092 (1C)

