

Challenges for a Diamagnetic Measurement in NSTX

- ◆ Poloidal breaks for CHI prevent using internal loop for toroidal flux
 - Breaks allow rapid penetration of toroidal flux for external loop, *but*
- ◆ No room in center stack for loop with adequate isolation and stability
- ◆ Try using the TF coil itself to measure flux displaced by plasma
 - Method used on PDX [P. Thomas, report PPPL-1979 (1983)]

$$N_{TF}\phi_d = -\int_0^t V_{TF} dt' + L_{TF}I_{TF} + \int_0^t R_{TF}I_{TF} dt' + \sum_j M_{TF:j}I_j + \sum_{PF} M_{TF:PF}I_{PF}$$

N_{TF} : number of turns in TF coil (36)

V_{TF}, I_{TF} : coil terminal voltage and current

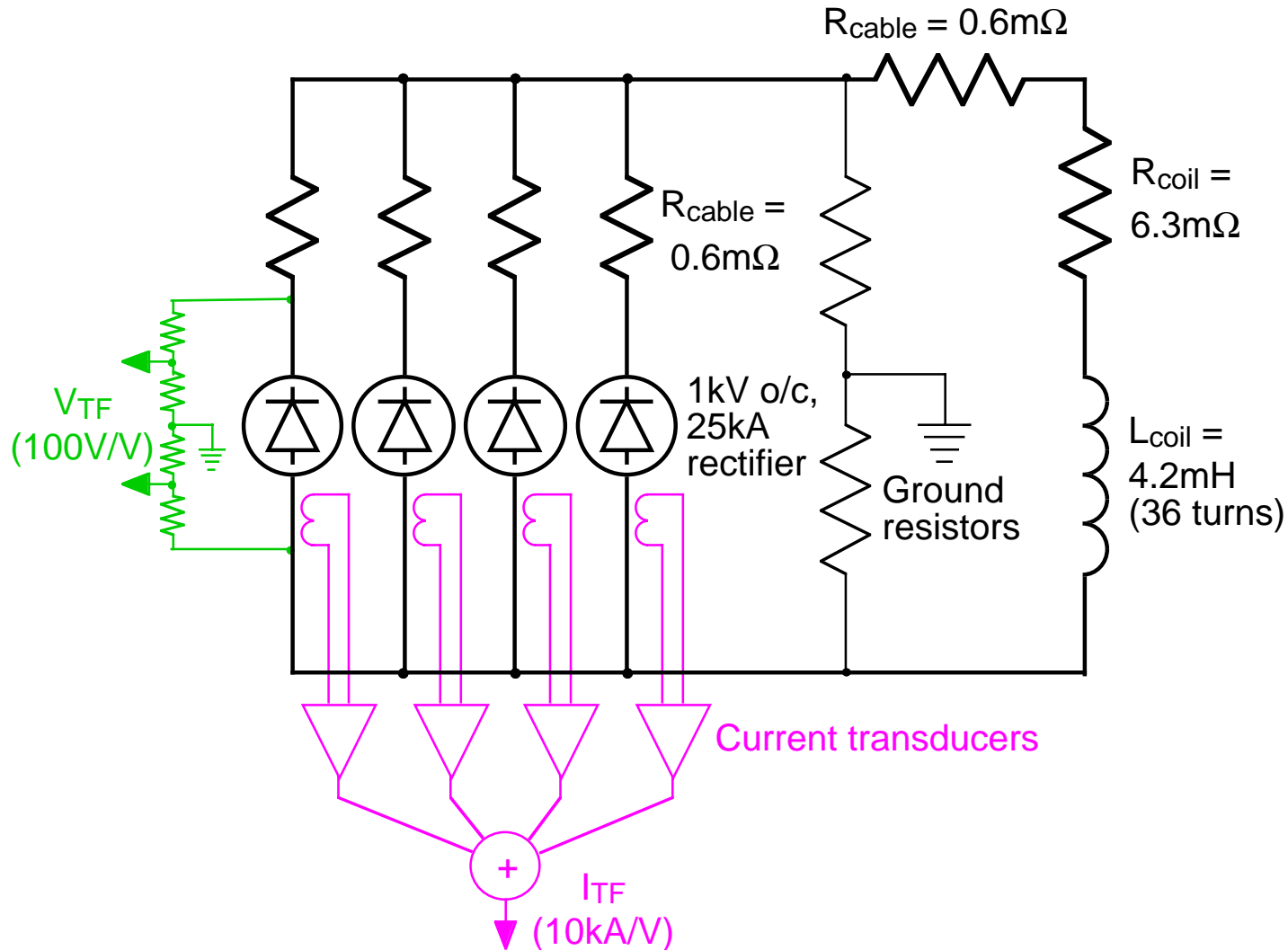
L_{TF}, R_{TF} : coil inductance and resistance (as functions of time)

$I_{PF}, M_{TF:PF}$: PF coil currents and their mutual inductances to the TF

$I_j, M_{TF:j}$: Currents in structure driven by dI_{TF}/dt and mutual inductances

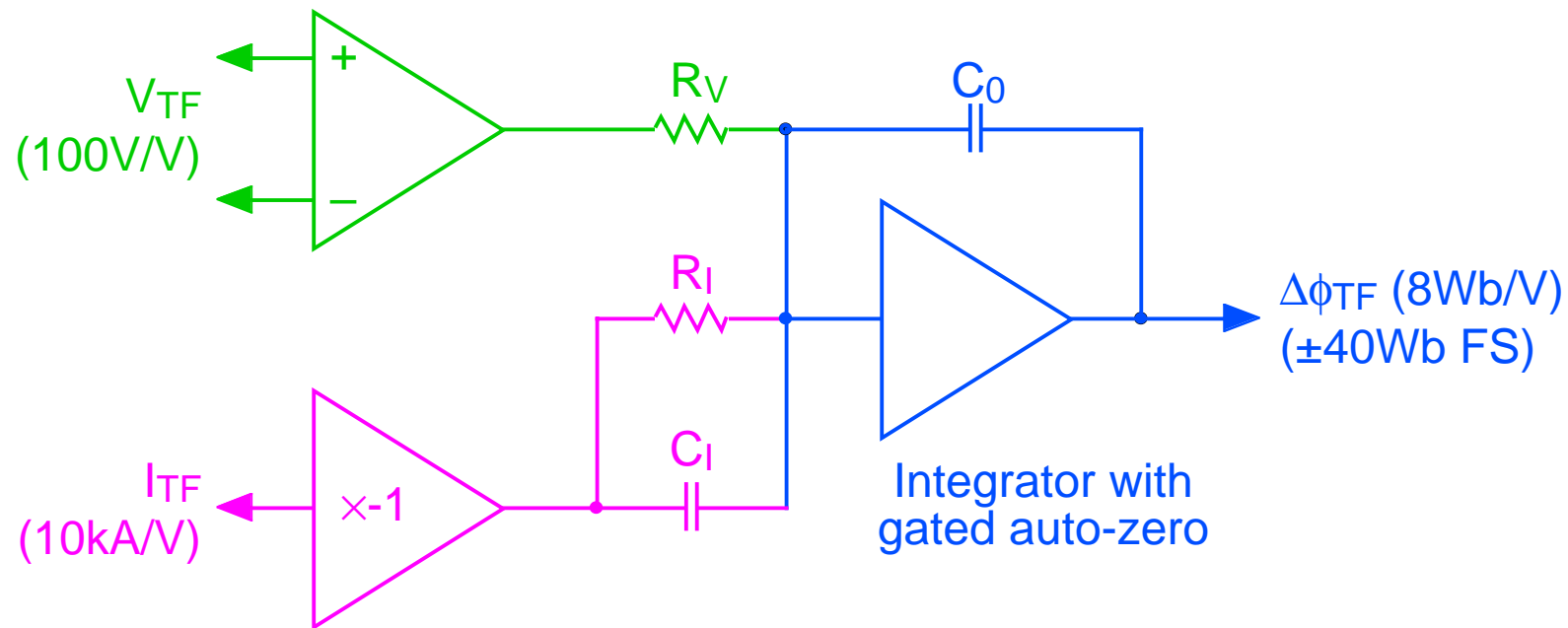
- ◆ $\phi_d \sim 0.1\text{Wb}$ while $L_{TF}I_{TF} \sim 200\text{Wb}$ and $\int R_{TF}I_{TF} dt' \sim 150\text{Wb}$ in a 0.4s pulse
 - Very accurate compensation and modelling of the TF is needed

NSTX Toroidal Field Coil Circuit and Diagnostics



- ◆ Precision DC current transducers make measurement possible

Analog Circuit Integrates Coil Voltage and Removes First-Order Self-Inductive and Resistive Flux Terms



- 1) $100[\text{V/V}]R_VC_0 = 8[\text{s}]$
- 2) $100[\text{V/V}]R_VC_I/10^4[\text{A/V}] = L_{TF0}$
- 3) $R_IC_I = L_{TF0}/R_{TF0}$

- ◆ All input signals received differentially
- ◆ High stability components used throughout

Thermal Resistance Change of TF

- ◆ Adiabatic resistive heating of conductor carrying current $I(t)$ (A)

$$R(t) = R(0) \exp\left[\frac{\alpha}{SA^2} \int_0^t I^2(t') dt'\right]$$

$R(t)$: resistance; α (ΩmC^{-1}): temperature coefficient of resistivity;

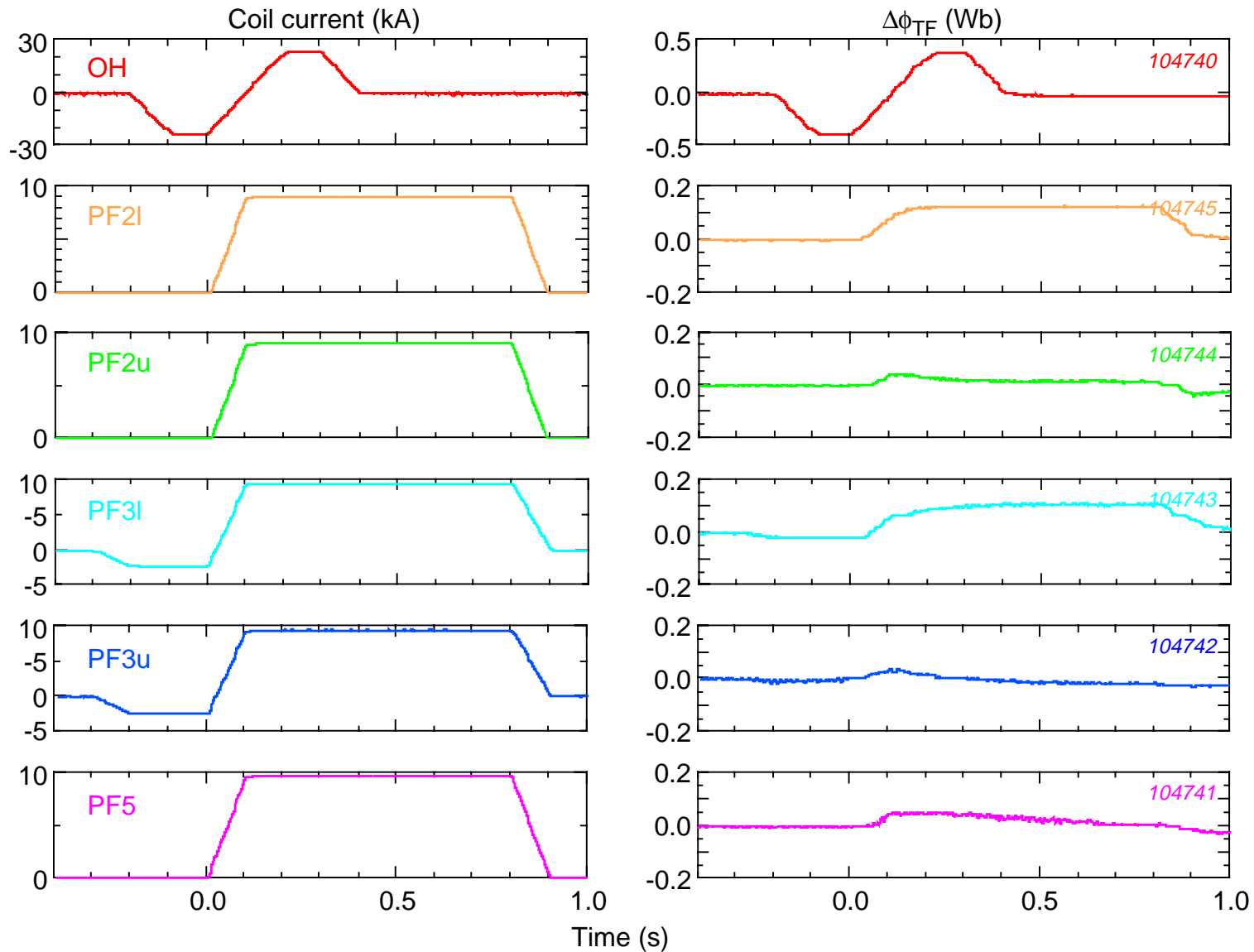
S ($\text{Jm}^{-3}\text{C}^{-1}$): volume specific heat; A (m^2): cross-section area.

- Inner legs of TF coil can rise from 10°C to 90°C during a TF pulse
- Causes non-linear increase in resistive flux during TF flattop

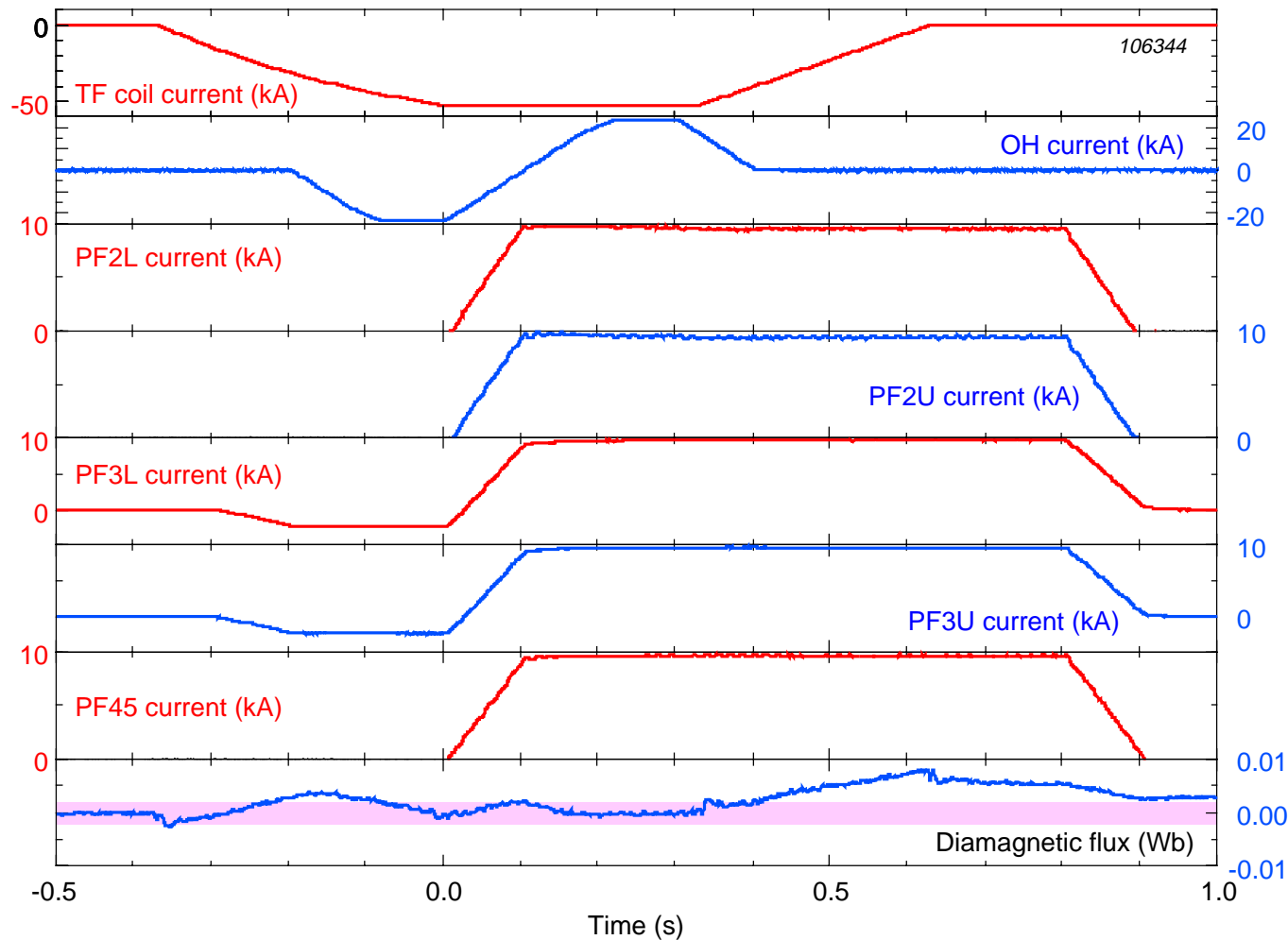
$$\phi_{res}(t) = \int_0^t I_{TF}(t') \left\{ R_{TF0} + R_{IL0} \left[\exp\left(4.5 \times 10^{-11} \int_0^{t'} I_{TF}^2(t'') dt''\right) - 1 \right] \right\} dt'$$

- ◆ Must also account for effects of:
 - Water already in the cooling channels ($\sim 6\%$ decrease in ΔR_{TF})
 - Inflowing cooling water ($\sim 4\% \times t_{\text{pulse}}[\text{s}]$ decrease)
 - Diffusion of heat into insulation ($\sim 4\% \times \sqrt{t_{\text{pulse}}[\text{s}]}$ decrease)
- ◆ Fit to data implies ΔR is about 90% of adiabatic expectation

PF Couplings Measured in Single-Field Test Shots

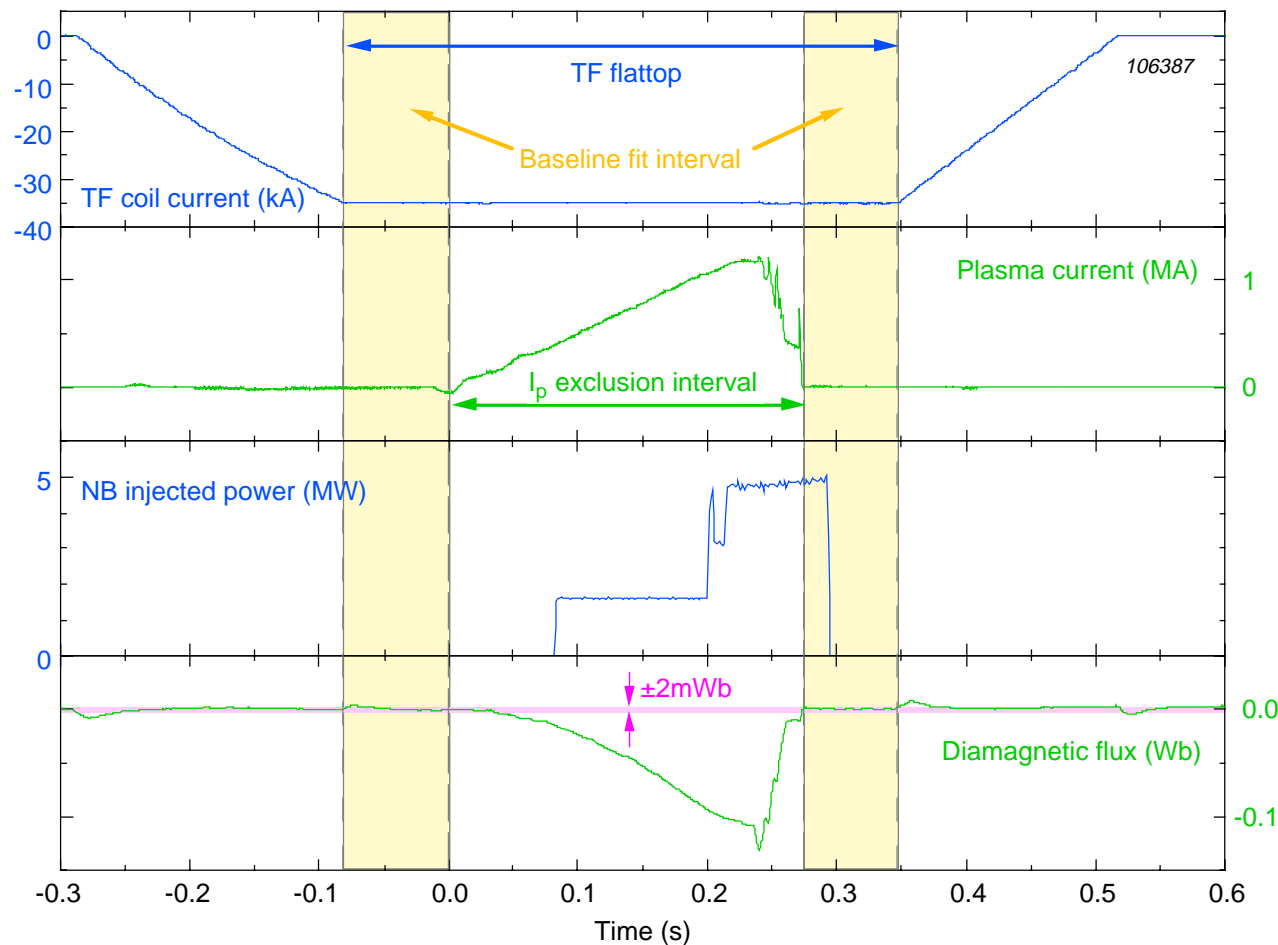


Uncertainty of 2mWb Achieved for Diamagnetic Flux in Combined TF/PF Shots During TF Flattop



- ◆ Drift during TF rampdown caused mainly by power supply imbalance

In Plasma Shots, Fit Residual Resistive TF Flux During TF Flattop When Plasma Current Absent



- ◆ Fit coefficient of resistive flux varies by about 1% with temperature of air-cooled buswork; coefficient of inductive flux varies by $<0.1\%$