A very short summary of CDX-U lithium regimes

- A number of wall conditions were tested in CDX-U
 - Unconditioned stainless steel walls/limiters
 - Titanium gettering + lithium coatings
 - » Rail limiter experiment (~150 cm² exposed lithium)
 - 600 cm² liquid lithium limiter + intense solid lithium wall coatings
 - 2000 cm² liquid lithium limiter (50% PFC surface) + wall coatings
- Monitored effect of various wall conditions on
 - Fueling
 - External loop voltage
 - » Simple measure of plasma performance



Fueling requirements (including prefill)

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- Fueling requirements increased by more than an order of magnitude
- Rail limiter fueling requirements intermediate to bare/filled tray cases

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- But: fueling increased by $4-5 \times$ with solid wall coatings. NSTX?
- New fueling systems added for e-beam run (puffing capability ~doubled)



Best performance with largest area of *liquid* lithium

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External loop voltage behavior is a qualitative indicator of performance
Typically, total fueling exceeds capacity of solid lithium centerstack coating

Average loop voltage required for 2 MA/sec current ramp



Summary

- CDX-U experiments employed a rail limiter, a free-surface liquid lithium limiter, and wall coatings
- Larger liquid lithium area = better performance
 - 2000 cm² + modest coatings provides better performance than 600 cm² + rapid between-shots coatings
- But: rail limiter operations *still* allowed for a 5× increase in fueling
 - Primarily the effect of solid wall coatings
 - T11M, FTU results were also primarily due to wall coatings
 - Coating rates were low compared to recent NSTX operation
- *Why* is the particle control effect so small on NSTX?
 - Divertor?
 - Carbon wall?



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