



NATIONAL SPHERICAL TORUS EXPERIMENT

Characterization of the Boundary Layer and Power Flow to the Divertor

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Experimental Run Plan (2 days)

- Conditioning:
 - Perform 30 minutes of He GDC.
- NBI Power Scan:
 - Establish discharges with $I_p \sim 800$ kA with a 200-300 msec flat top, $B_t = 4.5$ kG, $\langle n_e \rangle = 2.5$ \square 10^{13} cm⁻³
 - Inject NBI into plasma with above conditions varying injected power from 0.5 to 6 MW in 0.5 MW steps:
 - 1 @50% modulation
 - 1 source
 - 1 +1 @50% modulation
 - 2 sources
 - 2 +1 @50% modulation
 - 3 sources

Configuration scan

- DND Configuration scan: (6 shots)
 - Use DND configuration with same operating conditions, injecting with one NBI source.
 - Repeat this configuration, but with two NBI sources.
- CSL comparison
 - In CSL configuration and inject with one NBI source into L-mode plasma.

Density scan

- Revert to LSN configuration and inject with two NBI sources.
- Repeat this configuration, but change profile integrated electron density to $\langle n_e L \rangle = 2 \square 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-2}$, $4 \square 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-2}$, and $5 \square 10^{12} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, taking 2 shots at each condition. Examine for signs of plasma detachment and changes in density profile.

Supplemental Scans

• I_p scan for comparison with 800 kA baseline

Scan I_p @ 600 kA and 1 MA conditions as in power scan

• Toroidal field scan for compari.....

- Scan B_T at 3, and 3.5 and 4 I sources, with same condition at $B_T = 5 \text{ kG}$ if NSTX if perm

