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XMP: Develop optimal SGI parameters for perturbative particle transport experiment

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Background and Motivations

- Particle transport in STs not well understood
 - Neoclassical or turbulent?
 - Particle balance analysis not able to separate diffusion and pinch
- Perturbative particle transport measurement used on other tokamaks
 - Use fast gas injection system coupled with profile reflectometer or Thomson scattering for density measurement
- The goal of this XMP is to develop optimal SGI parameters to achieve suitable density perturbation
 - Cycle time and duty cycle of SGI
 - Cycle time not too short to avoid density accumulation and to have enough Thomson measurement points in a cycle
 - Not too long to have enough cycles for Fourier analysis
 - Gas puff time not too long to avoid too much perturbation (n-tilt/n~<10%)
 - Regular gas puff or supper sonic gas puff and the amount of gas puff
 - Enough density modulation and not too perturbative

SGI XMP Requirement, Constraints and Options

- Establish quasi-stationary MHD quiescent NBI-heated Lmode plasma, hopefully from a dedicated XMP for Lmode scenario development
 - Use NBI source 1A at 90 kV for MSE and CHERS measurement
- SGI cycle time is determined to be at least 128 ms
 - 16 ms Thomson scattering time resolution
 - To at least resolve the 2nd harmonic of the perturbation and to avoid aliasing from higher harmonics to the fundamental and 2nd harmonic
 - We start with 180 ms SGI cycle time and will adjust according to experimental result
- SGI can be used as regular gas injector or supersonic injector and SGI calibration is needed

- Presumably better penetration with supersonic configuration (will test)

SGI XMP Experimental Plan

- Shot 1:
 - SGI as shown in the figure and as a regular gas injection system



- Shot 2:
 - If density perturbation drops fast, increase gas duration to 90/100/110 ms
 - If gas puff time cannot be increased (n-tilt/n ~ 10%), reduce perturbation cycle time to observed density perturbation cycle time.
 - If observed cycle time is <128 ms, reduce SGI plenum pressure and increase puff time to 90/100/110 ms (plenum pressure reduced with the amount gas puff kept constant).
 - If density accumulation occurs, increase cycle time to 220 ms with the same gas puff time

SGI XMP Experimental Plan

• Shot 3:

- SGI as shown in the figure and used as supersonic injector



The numbers of 5 mspulses are used to match the amount of gas puff in shot 1 and 2

- If density perturbation drops fast, increase to 9/10/11 5-ms pulses

- If gas puff time cannot be increased (n-tilt/n is large), reduce perturbation cycle time to observed density perturbation cycle time.
- If observed cycle time is <128 ms, reduce SGI plenum pressure and increase gas puff time to 9/10/11 5-ms pulses (plenum pressure reduced with the amount gas puff kept constant).
- If density accumulation occurs, increase cycle time to 220 ms with the same gas puff time

Diagnostic Needs and Analysis

- Must-have diagnostics:
 - BES, reflectometer
 - CHERS, MPTS, MSE
 - Magnetics
 - other diagnostics required for conducting TRANSP analysis
- Planned analysis
 - LRDFIT, TRANSP, GS2, GYRO, GTS, XGC1