NSTX-U & Radiation Diagnostics

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accurate radiation measurements contribute to high level NSTX-U research objectives

- demonstrate stationary operation at performance that extrapolates to \geq 1MW/m² neutron wall loading in FNSF - utilize core radiation for power balance, metallic impurity estimates
- develop and utilize the high-flux-expansion "snowflake" divertor combined w/ radiative detachment to mitigate heat fluxes
- physics progress benefits from knowing divertor/edge radiation
- begin to assess high-Z PFCs plus liquid lithium to develop high-duty-factor integrated PMI solutions for FSNF & beyond
- core P_{RAD} to asses high-Z and divertor P_{RAD} for vapor shielding

long term **CAK** RIDGE collaboration goal is to demonstrate **ST power balance** (see T. Gray NP10.00049 for heat flux diagnostics)

Total Power Accountability LSN power scan Ip = 0.8 MA, BT = 4.5kG							
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- prior attempts [S. Paul JNM 2005] could only account for ~60% of the input power
- reliable power balance important when extrapolating designs
- avoid intensifying localized losses (NBI losses)
- will likely need to account for 3D too!

• upgraded radiation tools compliment new **NSTX-U** diagnostics and modeling activities

- UV/visible spec. Soukhanovskii, RSI 77, 10F127 (2006), RSI 81, 10D723 (2010)
- VUV transmission grating imaging spec. Tritz, PPCF 56 125014 (2014)
- boundary modeling of snowflakes O. Izacard (NP10.0030)
- VUV/SXR spectroscopy M.E. Weller (NP10.00152) and ME-SXR imaging Delgado-Aparicio (NP10.00046) for core impurities

previous NSTX radiation diagnostics insufficient to support NSTX-U mission

- 16 CH midplane AXUV diode array (sensistivity issues)
- 16 CH of divertor resistive bolometers (did not survive bake)







• simple estimates using radiated power fractions show NSTX-U signals should be measurable



What Makes a Good Bolometer?

approximately flat, known responsive over photon energy range of plasma emission

– bolometers use temperature rise of an absorber



can be deployed in large compact arrays at reasonable cost, to enable tomography



- resistive bolometers can 'pick-up' ICRF heating in cases of weak(er) single pass absorption
- magnet systems used in feedback control can provide a low-level of increased noise

infrared video bolometers (IRVB) which are noise resistant and great for 2D imaging, but are more difficult to field in arbitrary locations

has low Noise Equivalent Power Density (NEPD)



Development of Radiated Power Diagnostics for NSTX-U

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- AXUV diodes responsivity changes after plasma exposure
 - plasma, P_{RAD} off by ~x3, Z-dependent due change in manufacturer's specs

- 4-ch sensor is 7.5 k\$, electronics + wiring feedthrus comes to 25 k\$
- good for 1-D arrays, bad for 2D imaging





- for fixed spatial resolution, dy, the power density at the sensor is independent of the size and location of the sensor if $A_{ap} \sim A_{det}$ $- P_{det}/A_{det}$ must exceed the Noise Equivalent Power Density (NEPD)

Upgraded Divertor Bolometers



Midplane Tangential Bolometers





• traditional resistive bolo. use analog analyzers

advantages of FPGA approach

- compact, low cost (< 0.5 k/ch)
- DAC drives bridge, precision ADC measures imbalance
- signal processing done in FPGA
- DAC can apply voltage waveform of arbitrary frequency, allowing drive voltage to be 'tuned' to the room environment



see: J. Lovell, et all Proceeding of the 1st EPS Conference on Plasma Diagnostics 1 137 (2015)

• primary concern to improve ability to survive the bake and also reorient views for NSTX-U

- re-entrant pinhole cameras view between passive plates – cooling active only during bake (300+ degC)





new diagnostic capability for NSTX-U, goal to measure full midplane emissivity profile (24 CH)

- scoping study to specify the number of channels needed
- assume 2 MW P_{RAD} , 2% + 10 μ W noise, NSTX-U equilibrium
- use same ΔR_{TANG} , #CH increases, pinhole/det. distance increase
- fCOS = ratio of outer and inner emissivity (LFS-HFS)/(LFS+HFS) = 0.0
- **PRAD=** total radiated power from profiles, resolving 'cosine' term = 2.0
- fPEAK= ratio of radiation $\psi_n < 0.4$ and $\psi_n > 0.4 = 1.15, 1.10, 0.23$















87, 11E708 (2016) for more details

48-channel analyzer from D-tAcq

Drawing 3: 6y BOLO8BLE in ACO2006 - 48 Channel System