Suppression of Islands and Disruption Experiments in HYBTOK-II

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MHD Studies in a Small Tokamak HYBTOK-II

Experimental Objectives

- 1. Control of Tokamak Edge Plasmas by Rotating Helical Magnetic Perturbation(Dynamic Ergodic Divertor)
 - Island Formation and Ergodization
 - Rotation Drive by Rotating Helical Magnetic Field
 - Improvement of Plasma Properties
- 2. Studies on MHD Control
 - Island Suppression by Plasma Current Modulation
- 3. Studies on Disruption Properties
 - Dynamics of Internal Magnetic Structure
 - Key Mechanisms to Determine Thermal and Current Decay Times

O HYBTOK-II Tokamak

HYBTOK-II Tokamak



Major Radius	: 0.4 m
Minor Radius	: 0.11 m
Plasma Current	: 15 kA
Toroidal Field	: 0.5 T
RF Heating	:200 MHz, 10 kW



Local Helical Coil for DED





DSP Controlled Power Supplies

 Fast IGBT Inverters for Joule and Vertical Coils
Fast Current Control by DSP
Hybrid Operation Combined with Capacitor Bank Discharge
Hybrid Operation of Joule Coil



DED Experiments: Penetration of RHMP and Ergodization 1





DED Experiments:Penetration of RHMP and Ergodization 2

ExB Plasma Rotation and Rotation Velocity of RHMP



Direction of RHMP

Case I : Ion Diamagnetic Direction High Doppler Shifted Frequency => Strong Damping of RHMP => Small Island Formation

Case II : Electron Diamagnetic Direction Low Doppler Shifted Frequency => Weak Damping of RHMP => Large Island Formation => Modification of Ip Distribution => Amplification of B_{r1}

DED Experiments: Control of RHMP Penetration by Biasing



Electrode Biasing changes ExB rotation velocity

Case I : Increase of Doppler Shifted Frequency => Strong Damping

 $\Omega \sim 48 \text{ kHz} \Rightarrow \sim 83 \text{ kHz}$



DED Experiments: Suppression of Island by Resonance Surface Oscillation 1







DED Experiments: Suppression of Island by Resonance Surface Oscillation 3



Disruption Experiments: Disruption Phenomena in a Small Tokamak



Disruption Experiments: Rapid Change of Plasma Current Profile/q Profile

Precursor can be seen just before disruption, then internal magnetic field(q<2~3) drops, followed by large amplitude oscillations.



1. DED Experiments

- Penetration of RHMP induced by local helical coils are studied.
- Doppler shifted RHMP frequency has an important role for penetration of RHMP.
 - Doppler shifted RHMP frequency high

=> strong damping of RHMP and weak island formation. Doppler shifted RHMP frequency low

=> damping of RHMP is weak, large island formation and resultant current profile modification leads RHMP amplification.

2. Island Suppression

 Resonant surface oscillations induced by Ip oscillation can suppress externally excited islands, but it is not clear to suppress self-excited islands in low q discharges, q_{surf}~3.

3. Disruption Experiments

Internal magnetic structures during disruptions are measured.
Fast current drop inside q ~3 and current flattening occurs within t~15 μs.
Detailed analysis is under way.

DED Experiments:Island Formation and Ergodization



DED Experiments: Penetration of RHMP and Ergodization 3



DED Experiments: Suppression of Island by Helical Shielding Current

Change of Perturbed Flux Function



DED Experiments:Penetration of RHMP and Ergodization 4

Case II

