Calibration coefficient of ball-pen probe measurement

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1 Experimental setup



Figure 1: experiment setup.

2 Theory

The aim of this work is to find calibration coefficient of ball-pen probe. To get this coefficient, we have to use Langmuir probe to construct IV characteristics (shot to shot method) and fit them by equation 1.

$$\alpha = \frac{U_{float}^{bpp} - U_{float}^{lp}}{T_e},\tag{1}$$

Where U_{float}^{bpp} , U_{float}^{lp} , T_e are parameters via we fit. Going through all the IV characteristics can we find, how calibration coefficient depends on magnetic field.

3 Experiment configuration

- 1. Gas pressure 0.36 -19.93
- 2. Working gas: hydrogen
- 3. Pre-ionization: Upper el. Gun
- 4. C_{Bt} capacitors charged to: 1300 V, triggered 5.0 ms
- 5. C_{CD} capacitors charged to: 400 V, triggered 5.0 ms

The numbers of shots, used for measurement are: #25483 to #25490 and #25493 to #25498 using voltage from -134.3 to 25.5 V. Both probes position from the vessel centre is r = 70 mm and resistance on LP was set as R = 20 Ohm.

4 Minutes of the experiment

- 1. The radial profile was measured before measurement to find best position of probes.
- 2. Resistance on LP was set to 20 Ω
- 3. Scan via $V_{bias} = \{-12.8, -25.6, -38.3, -51.1, -63.9, -76.7, -89.4, -102.2, -134.3, -12.8, 0, 12.8, 25.5\} V$

5 Data analysis

IV characteristics were using equation (1). All fits are included in .zip file. Experiment setup is given in Figure 1. The figure 2 shows that coefficient alpha is equal to $\alpha = 2.2 \pm 1.2$.



Figure 2: final results of meassurement.

6 Reproducibillity

To get best results is it important to have good shots reproducibility, which is shown in Figures 3, 4

These figures show that the reproducibillity could be better so it influences the results a lot.

7 Fits

At the end of the document, all fits are included.

8 Conclusion

To sum up, the ion saturation current is reach, because the negative voltage goes up to - 134.3, which seems to be enoght. The problem could be with reproducibility, which is for some of the shots worse.



Figure 3: shows loop voltage of each shot.



Figure 4: shows plasma current of each shot.









Figure 8: plots of....