

From measured signals to $\tau_{E,e}$ @tG

Vacuum discharge

$$I_{\text{ch}}^{\text{vac}}(t), V_{\text{loop}}^{\text{vac}}(t)$$

Plasma discharge

$$I_{\text{ch+p}}(t), \\ V_{\text{loop}}(t), n_e(t)$$

Chamber resistance

$$R_{\text{ch}} \approx \frac{V_{\text{loop}}^{\text{vac}}}{I_{\text{ch}}^{\text{vac}}}$$

Plasma current

$$I_p = I_{\text{ch+p}} - \frac{V_{\text{loop}}}{R_{\text{ch}}}$$

Quasi-stationary interval $[t_1, t_2]$:

$$\bar{I}_p = \langle I_p \rangle, \quad \bar{V}_{\text{loop}} = \langle V_{\text{loop}} \rangle, \quad \bar{n}_e = \langle n_e \rangle$$

Plasma resistivity

$$R_p = \frac{\bar{V}_{\text{loop}}}{\bar{I}_p}$$

Central T_e (Spitzer)

$$T_e(0) \approx 0.9 R_p^{-2/3}$$

Ohmic heating

$$\bar{P}_{\text{OH}} = \bar{V}_{\text{loop}} \bar{I}_p$$

Electron energy

$$\bar{W}_e = \frac{3}{2} \bar{n}_e k_B T_e V_p$$

Electron energy confinement time

$$\tau_{E,e} = \frac{\bar{W}_e}{\bar{P}_{\text{OH}}}$$