

Abstract Submitted  
for the DPP05 Meeting of  
The American Physical Society

**Kalman Filters to Reduce Noise Effects during External Kink Control**<sup>1</sup> M.E. MAUEL, J. FARRINGTON, J. BIALEK, O. KATSUROHOPKINS, A. KLEIN, D.A. MAURER, G.A. NAVRATIL, T.S. PEDERSEN, Columbia University — Magnetic feedback control of the resistive wall mode in tokamaks use derivative (and proportional) gain in order to optimize stabilization<sup>2,3</sup> and to adjust the phase response during control of rotating kinks.<sup>4</sup> Derivative gain amplifies noise and can lead to large and undesirable fluctuations in the feedback control current. In this poster, a recipe is presented for the implementation of a Kalman filter that tracks kink mode dynamics as recently described.<sup>5</sup> Numerical simulations demonstrate the use of the control algorithm for various configurations of magnetic field sensors and control coils used in the HBT-EP device. By properly tracking both the wall and plasma modes, feedback control is maintained up to the ideal wall limit in rotating discharges in the presence of measurement noise.

<sup>1</sup>This work is supported by the U.S. DOE.

<sup>2</sup>M. Okabayshi, *et al.*, Phys. Plasmas, **8**, 2071 (2001).

<sup>3</sup>Y. Liu, *et al.*, Nuc. Fusion, **44**, 232 (2004).

<sup>4</sup>A.Klein, *et al.*, Phys. Plasmas, **12**, 040703 (2005).

<sup>5</sup>M. E. Mauel, *et al.*, Nuc. Fusion, **45**, 285 (2005).

Michael Mauel  
Columbia University

Date submitted: 22 Jul 2005

Electronic form version 1.4