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**Cross Comparison on DIII-D of Experimental Techniques for Measuring  $n_e$  and  $T_e$  in Detached Divertor Plasmas<sup>1</sup>** N.H. BROOKS, A.W. LEONARD, GA, S. LISGO, E. OKS, D. VOLODKO, Auburn U. — Spectroscopy of high-n, Balmer line transitions provides a means of measuring  $n_e$  and  $T_e$  in recombining plasmas [1]. The relative intensities of Rydberg series lines near the ionization limit are a sensitive diagnostic of  $T_e$  for  $T_e < 1$  eV. Stark broadening of these same lines provides a measure of local  $n_e$  and with less accuracy of  $T_e$ . Predictions from Balmer line spectroscopy are compared with those from divertor Thomson scattering to evaluate the accuracy of different theoretical models of line broadening [2,3]. In particular, the detailed dependence of line width on principal quantum number is used to distinguish which line-broadening model best accords with experiment.

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