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Preliminary Measurements with the Ultra-Fast Charge Exchange Recombination Spectrometer (UF-CHERS) on DIII-D¹ I.U. UZUN-KAYMAK, R.J. FONCK, G.R. MCKEE, N.L. SCHOENBECK, D.R. SMITH, Z. YAN, U. Wisconsin-Madison — A dual-channel, high throughput (1 mm²-ster), high efficiency, customized spectrometer (UF-CHERS) has been deployed at DIII-D to measure ion temperature and parallel velocity fluctuations through detection of the beam-excited CVI charge exchange line near 529 nm at 0.25 nm resolution. Turbulence-relevant time resolution of 1 µs is achieved with cooled avalanched photodiode detectors (APDs). Initial measurements obtained during the 2010 DIII-D experimental run campaign demonstrate detection of the charge exchange and edge emission at near photon-noise-limited performance, although signal levels are lower than estimated. The Doppler broadened spectrum, time evolution, radial variation, and cross correlation with BES-measured density fluctuations from L-mode discharges are presented to assess signal levels and noise characteristics. Hints of GAM-induced temperature fluctuations are observed. Upgrades to the optics and detectors for improved signal-to-noise are evaluated.

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