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Examination of the Change in Intrinsic Rotation of the DIII-D Edge Pedestal Plasma During the L-H Transition¹ N. PIPER, W.M. STACEY, GA Tech, R. GROEBNER, General Atomics — A previous analysis of an L-H transition in DIII-D² found that the radial particle pinch changed from outward to inward and the co-current edge intrinsic rotation dropped as the plasma went through the L-H transition. Two additional DIII-D discharges are now being examined in the late L-mode and early H-mode stages to determine if these features are characteristic of the L-H transition. A particle-momentum-energy balance analysis of the measured temperature, density, and rotation velocity is being performed to determine if the particle pinch reverses and the co-current intrinsic rotation due to ion orbit loss drops in the edge pedestal region during the L-H transition.

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