

Quantifying uncertainties for a coherent Thomson scattering system with Bayesian sensitivity analyses on the synthetic data of X-pinch plasmas

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An X-pinch device has been developed to investigate dynamics of the high energy density plasmas during an X-pinch discharge [1]. Coherent Thomson scattering (CTS) systems have provided plasma properties such as electron density, ion and electron temperature as well as jet velocity in other similar devices [2, 3]. We perform sensitivity analyses on the density, temperature and velocity of the X-pinch plasma jet to determine uncertainty levels associated with the expected measurements from the to-be-built CTS system. By utilizing a forward model within the Bayesian analysis framework, synthetic data are generated to perform the sensitivity analyses. We further investigate effects of the instrumental broadening and the electrical noise on the uncertainty of the inferred parameters. With the sensitivity analyses on the model parameters, it is possible to identify required improvements for the CTS system such that the parameters can be reliably measured. [4]

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