

# Spatial and time-resolved characterization of HiPIMS spokes

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- ~10 km/s
- $\pm \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  direction
- 5 times Bohm diffusion



## High speed camera characterization





- Record 1 frame per pulse over many pulses.
- Construct statistical picture of spokes.
- Identify spoke mode number, size and intensity.
- Less diffuse spokes were observed at higher power discharges due to gas rarefication.
- Gas rarefication causes more variation in the size distribution of mode two spokes.
- Average spoke mode number follows the discharge power up to a certain threshold, past which it becomes stable around 1.5.



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Size distribution



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Average mode number

## Floating robe measurements



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- Records floating potential caused by spokes.
- Synchronized with camera.
- We observed a rotation speed of ~13km/s.
- Decreasing plasma potential caused by increased secondary electron production at the leading edge of the spoke.