

PLASMA INHOMOGENEITY DIAGNOSTICS BY THOMSON SCATTERING

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The kinetic theory of Thomson scattering in inhomogeneous plasma constructed. The spatial inhomogeneities leads to an asymmetry with respect to the sign inversion frequency. Such asymmetry has been detected in experiments and can be used as a new diagnostic tool to measure local gradients in the plasma