Multi-scale turbulence response during L-H transition in LHD

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The response of multi-scale turbulence during the L-H transition has been observed at the same location in the LHD, where the plasma density is gradually increased by NBI heating to induce the H-mode transition. The following results were obtained.

- DBS (measured k_⊥ ~ 7.5 cm⁻¹) [1] and BS (measured k_⊥ ~ 30 cm⁻¹) [2] were able to observe the respective turbulence at approximately the same location ρ=0.9 (pedestal region). This could be investigated for the first time by combining DBS with spatial multipoint measurements and BS with movable antennas.
- Exactly opposite responses were observed during the L-H transition for low and high wavenumbers. That is, with the L-H transition, turbulence in the low wavenumber region decreased in intensity, while turbulence in the high wavenumber region increased.

Such phenomena are similar to the results of predicted theoretical simulations [3, 4]. We would like to include the effect of radial electric field and the turbulence anisotropy in the discussion at the workshop.

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