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Fast Alfven Wave Interferometry and Reflectometry on the DIII–D Tokamak 1 N.K. HICKS, Washington State University, R.I. PINSKER, H. IKEZI, General Atomics — A system based on the measurement of the transmission and reflection of the fast Alfven wave in the ion cyclotron range of frequencies can be used to non-perturbatively diagnose the mass density, 2 ion species mixture, 3 and density fluctuations in a tokamak plasma. Previous proof-of-principle experiments have demonstrated some of these possibilities. In this work, a new system of receiving probes and a dedicated low power ($\sim 1~\rm W$) antenna have been installed in the DIII–D tokamak to make these measurements during routine tokamak operation. Details of the installation, calibration, and operation of this system will be presented.

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