A design retrospective of the DIII–D tokamak

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ABSTRACT. The DIII–D tokamak evolved from the earlier Doublet III device in 1986. Since then, the facility has undergone a number of changes including the installation of divertor baffles and pumping chambers in the vacuum vessel, the addition of a radiation shield, the development of extensive neutral beam and rf heating systems, and the addition of a comprehensive plasma control system. The facility has become the focus of a broad fusion plasma science research program. This paper gives an integrated picture of the facility and its capabilities.

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