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### Curriculum vitae

The author of this thesis, Hirokazu Ueta (植田 寛和), was born on October 30, 1980 in Ibaraki, Japan. In 2001, he graduated from Ibaraki National College of Technology in Ibaraki, Japan. In 2003, he received a Bachelor of Engineering from the College of Engineering Sciences, Tsukuba University. In 2005, he received a Master of Engineering from the Graduate School of Pure and Applied Sciences, Tsukuba University. In September of the same year, he started his PhD research at the FOM institute for Plasma Physics Rijnhuizen in Nieuwegein, the Netherlands, under the supervision of Prof. Dr. Aart W. Kleyn and Dr. Michael A. Gleeson. In 2006, he participated in experiments at Leiden University as part of collaboration with the group of Dr. L. B. F. Juurlink. Parts of the research described in this thesis have been presented at national and international conferences and workshops.

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