

Magnetic Helicity, Taylor
Relaxation, Mean Field Theory

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- Magnetic Helicity — meaning, conservation.
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A.

Basics of Helicity

→ Magnetic Helicity → Constraint in Relaxation

- another conserved quantity in ideal MHD is magnetic helicity K

$$K = \int_V d^3x \underline{A} \cdot \underline{B}$$

V is taken to be the volume of a 'flux tube'.

- what, yet another invariant! Π

→ K is different \Rightarrow has topological interpretation

$$K = \int_V d^3x \underline{A} \cdot \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A}$$

→ $\underline{x} \rightarrow -\underline{x}$ flips sign of K

→ K is a pseudo-scalar
"has orientation or handedness" ...

Proceed via:

- show K conservation
- discuss interpretation of K
- comment on utility \Rightarrow Taylor Relaxation

N.B.: Important $\Rightarrow K$ is gauge invariant

i.e. if $\underline{A} \rightarrow \underline{A} + \underline{\nabla} \chi$

$$K \rightarrow K + \int_V d^3x \underline{\nabla} \underline{\chi} \cdot \underline{B}$$

$$= K + \int_V d^3x \underline{\nabla} \cdot (\underline{B} \underline{\chi})$$

$$= 0, \text{ to surface term. } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \underline{B} \cdot \underline{\hat{n}} = 0 \text{ on surface of} \\ \text{tube} \end{array} \right.$$



Now, consider a blob of MHD fluid in motion



can show $\frac{dK}{dt} =$

$$\underline{E} + \frac{\underline{v} \times \underline{B}}{c} = \eta \underline{J}$$

$$\underline{E} = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial A}{\partial t} - \underline{\nabla} \phi$$

{ Field in blob

\Rightarrow

$$\frac{\partial A}{\partial t} = \underline{v} \times \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A} - c \underline{\nabla} \phi - \eta \underline{J}$$

$$\frac{\partial \underline{B}}{\partial t} = -\underline{v} \cdot \underline{\nabla} \underline{B} + \underline{B} \cdot \underline{\nabla} \underline{v} - \underline{B} \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{v} + \eta \underline{\nabla}^2 \underline{B}$$

$$\frac{dK}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \int_V d^3x (\underline{A} \cdot \underline{B})$$

$$= \int_V d^3x \left(\frac{d\underline{A}}{dt} \cdot \underline{B} + \underline{A} \cdot \frac{d\underline{B}}{dt} \right) + \int_V \underline{A} \cdot \underline{B} \frac{d}{dt} d^3x$$

$$\frac{dK}{dt} = \int d^3x \left(\frac{\partial \underline{A}}{\partial t} \cdot \underline{B} + (\underline{V} \cdot \nabla \underline{A}) \cdot \underline{B} + \underline{A} \cdot \frac{\partial \underline{B}}{\partial t} + \underline{A} \cdot (\underline{V} \cdot \nabla \underline{B}) \right) + \underline{A} \cdot \underline{B} \nabla \cdot \underline{V}$$

where $\frac{d}{dt} d^3x = \nabla \cdot \underline{V}$

i.e. $\frac{d}{dt} dV = \frac{d}{dt} d\underline{V} \cdot d\underline{l} + d\underline{V} \cdot \frac{d}{dt} d\underline{l}$

$$= -d\underline{l} \cdot \nabla \underline{V} \cdot d\underline{V} + (\nabla \cdot \underline{V})(d\underline{V} \cdot d\underline{l}) + d\underline{l} \cdot \nabla \underline{V} \cdot d\underline{V}$$

$$= \nabla \cdot \underline{V} d^3x$$

s.t. and $\underline{B} \cdot \underline{n}$ on surface of tube.

$$\frac{dK}{dt} = \int d^3x \left[(\underline{B} \cdot \underline{V} \times \underline{B}) - c \underline{B} \cdot \nabla \phi - cM \underline{J} \cdot \underline{B} \right]$$

$$+ \underline{A} \cdot \left(\nabla \times (\underline{V} \times \underline{B}) \right) + \nabla \cdot \left((\underline{A} \cdot \underline{B}) \underline{V} \right) + \underline{A} \cdot \nabla^2 \underline{B}$$

div Flux

where $\underline{A} \cdot (\underline{V} \cdot \nabla \underline{B}) + \underline{B} \cdot (\underline{V} \cdot \nabla \underline{A}) + \underline{A} \cdot \underline{B} \nabla \cdot \underline{V} = \nabla \cdot (\underline{V} \underline{A} \cdot \underline{B})$

$$\frac{dK}{dt} = \int d^3x \left[\nabla \cdot \left((\underline{A} \cdot \underline{B}) \underline{V} \right) + \nabla \cdot \left((\underline{V} \times \underline{B}) \times \underline{A} \right) + (\underline{V} \times \underline{B}) \cdot (\nabla \times \underline{A}) - cM \underline{J} \cdot \underline{B} - \nabla \cdot (\underline{A} \cdot \nabla \times \underline{B}) c \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dK}{dt} = \int d^3x \left\{ \underline{J} \cdot \left[(\underline{A} \cdot \underline{B}) \underline{V} + (\underline{V} \times \underline{B}) \times \underline{A} + c\mu (\underline{A} \times \underline{J}) \right] - c\mu \underline{J} \cdot \underline{B} - c\mu \underline{J} \cdot \underline{B} \right\}$$

$$= \int d\underline{S} \cdot \left[(\underline{A} \cdot \underline{B}) \underline{V} + (\underline{V} \times \underline{B}) \times \underline{A} + c\mu \underline{A} \times \underline{J} \right]$$

$$- 2 \int d^3x \left[c\mu \underline{J} \cdot \underline{B} \right]$$

$$= \int d\underline{S} \cdot \left[\cancel{(\underline{A} \cdot \underline{B}) \underline{V}} - \cancel{(\underline{A} \cdot \underline{B}) \underline{V}} + (\underline{A} \cdot \underline{V}) \underline{B} \right] - c\mu \int d\underline{S} \cdot \underline{J} \times \underline{A}$$

$$- 2c\mu \int d^3x (\underline{J} \cdot \underline{B})$$

$\underline{B} \cdot \underline{n} = c$, on tube

$$= - \int c\mu d\underline{S} \cdot \left[\underline{B} \cdot \underline{A} - \underline{A} \cdot \underline{B} \right] - 2c\mu \int d^3x \underline{J} \cdot \underline{B}$$

$$= - 2c\mu \int d^3x (\underline{J} \cdot \underline{B})$$

\Rightarrow have shown:

$$\boxed{\frac{dK}{dt} = - 2c\mu \int d^3x (\underline{J} \cdot \underline{B})}$$

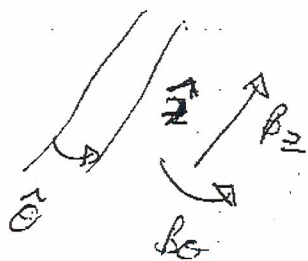
and clearly! $\frac{dK}{dt} \rightarrow 0$ as $\eta \rightarrow 0$
 (non-singular \underline{J})

∴ Helicity is conserved in ideal MHD.
 Magnetic, Can assign helicity to each
 Flux tube.

→ Magnetic Helicity conserved, but what does it mean?

- helicity is non-trivial \Rightarrow more than just helical field lines.

interesting to note: $g(r) = \frac{r B_z}{R B_0(r)} = \frac{1}{R M(r)}$



$u(r) = \frac{B_0(r)}{r B_z}$

→ Field line
 (length ^{pitch} side ^{over} ~~and side~~ ~~with~~ ~~values~~)

cylindrical plasma $\Rightarrow \underline{B} = \underline{B}(r)$

Now, $A_\theta = \frac{1}{r} \int_0^r r' B_z dr'$

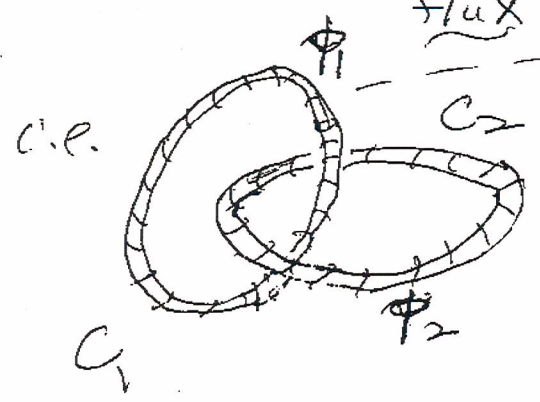
$A_z = - \int_0^r B_\theta dr'$

so $\underline{A} \cdot \underline{B} = \frac{B_z}{r} \int_0^r r B_z dr - B_z \int_0^r B_\theta dr$
 $= \mu B_z \int_0^r \frac{B_\theta}{\mu} dr - B_z \int_0^r B_\theta dr$

$\underline{A} \cdot \underline{B} = B_z \left[\mu \int_0^r \frac{B_\theta}{\mu} dr - \int_0^r B_\theta dr \right]$
 $= 0$ for constant μ

∴ non-zero helicity requires $\mu = \mu(r)$
 i.e. - pitch varies with radius
 \Rightarrow magnetic shear / twist

- physically \rightarrow helicity means self-linkage of 2 flux tubes



tube 1: flux
 $\Phi = \int dA \cdot \underline{B} = \Phi_1$
 $\int_{\text{x-section area}} \int_{\text{const}}$
 tube 2: $\Phi = \Phi_2$

field in loops, only

Now, for volume V_1 of tube 1

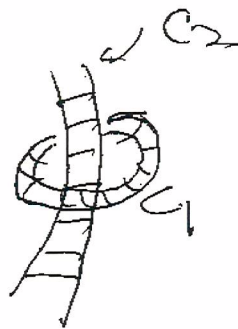
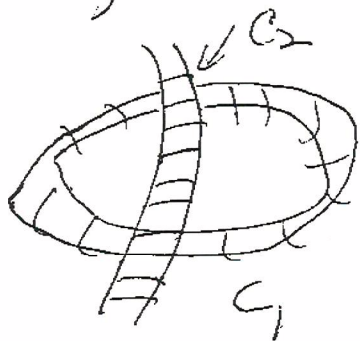
$$K = \int_{V_1} \underline{A} \cdot \underline{B} \, d^3x = \oint_{C_1} d\ell \int_{S_1} dS \, \underline{A} \cdot \underline{B}$$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} C_1 \\ \text{along} \\ \text{loop} \end{array} \right.$
 $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} S_1 \\ \text{X-section} \\ \text{area} \end{array} \right.$

$$= \oint_{C_1} \underline{A} \cdot d\ell \int_{S_1} \underline{B} \cdot \underline{\hat{n}} \, dA$$

$$= \oint_{C_1} \oint_{S_1} \underline{A} \cdot d\ell$$

Now, can shrink C_1 , as no field outside loops



re-oriented

→ in x section:



but $\int_{C_1} \underline{A} \cdot d\ell = \int_{A \text{ enclosed}} \underline{B} \cdot dS = \oint_{C_2}$

→ dynamics? - how does relaxation occur

→ more in discussion of kinks,
tearing.

so ... $k_1 = \phi_1 \phi_2 \rightarrow$ product of fluxes

similarly $k_2 = \phi_2 \phi_1$

$$\therefore k = 2\phi_1 \phi_2$$

if n windings $k = k_1 + k_2 = \pm 2n\phi_1 \phi_2$

\Rightarrow helicity is measure of self-linkage of magnetic configuration.

Why care \rightarrow Taylor Conjecture (1974)
(J.B. Taylor)

- in magnetic confinement, of great interest to determine how fields, currents self-organize

- RFP



\rightarrow toroid
 \rightarrow toroidal current

well fit by $B_z = B_0 \bar{J}_0(\alpha r)$ $\bar{J} \times B = 0$
 $B_\theta = B_0 \bar{J}_1(\alpha r)$

\Rightarrow why so robust \int , especially since RFP so turbulent
force free

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etc.

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\Rightarrow Taylor Conjecture: At finite M , helicity of small tubes dissipated but global helicity conserved.

c.e.

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Taylor conjectured that actual magnetic configuration could be explained by minimum principle:

$$\delta \left[\int_V d^3x \frac{B^2}{8\pi} + \lambda \int_V d^3x \underline{A} \cdot \underline{B} \right] = 0$$

i.e. minimize magnetic energy subject to constraint of conserved global helicity,

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RFPs, spheromaks, etc. Departures only recently being discovered

→ inspired idea of helicity injection as way to maintain configurations

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$$\frac{V}{L} \sim \frac{V_A}{L} \sqrt{R_m} \sim 1/L^{3/2}$$

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$$\int \int d^3x \left[\frac{B^2}{8\pi} + \lambda \underline{A} \cdot \underline{B} \right] =$$

$$\frac{B \cdot \delta B}{4\pi} + \lambda \underline{A} \cdot \delta \underline{B} = 0$$

$$\frac{\nabla \times \underline{A}}{4\pi} + \lambda \underline{A} = 0$$

$\nabla \times$

$$\underline{\nabla} = \mu \underline{B}$$

$$\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{B} = -\mu \underline{B}$$

and

$$\frac{\underline{J} \cdot \underline{B}}{B^2} = \mu$$

\downarrow
 const

force free

$\nabla \cdot \underline{J} = 0 \rightarrow$ parallel current homogenized

Taylor Relaxation and
its Dynamics

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Date

see RMP: J.B. Taylor
1986

→ Taylor Relaxation

→ transition to 'quiescent period' ⇒
"relaxation" → turbulent
resistive

→ magnetic energy minimized
(P_{OH} only, and $\beta \ll 1$)

⇒ what constraints?

→ (E) in ideal plasma,

$\int d^3x \underline{A} \cdot \underline{B}$ conserved for all

$\int d^3x$

i.e. any tube, around line



$$\int_{\text{tube}} d^3x \underline{A} \cdot \underline{B} = \text{const.}$$

line α, β s.t. $\underline{B} = \underline{v} \alpha \times \underline{v} \beta$

$$\rightarrow \text{if } \int_{\text{tube}} d^3x \left[\frac{B^2}{8\pi} + \lambda \vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} \right] = \text{const}$$

$$\boxed{\nabla \times \vec{B} = \lambda(\alpha, \beta) \vec{B}} ; \quad \vec{B} \cdot \nabla \lambda = 0$$

force free in MHD-tube = long line

but $\lambda(\alpha, \beta) \neq \lambda(\alpha', \beta')$

i.e. \rightarrow each tube/line defines conserved helicity

$\rightarrow \infty$ of invariants, due to freezing in.

⑤ But, relaxation occurs in resistive, turbulent plasma. $\tau_R \sim \frac{L}{v} \sim \tau_A \sqrt{Rm}$

\Rightarrow small tubes are destroyed by reconnection $\tau_R \sim l^{3/2}$

\Rightarrow as $t \rightarrow \infty$, only very largest tube survives \rightarrow global helicity is asymptotic survivor

could also view from stochastic lines \rightarrow 1 line

motion \rightarrow turbulence
 resistivity \rightarrow reconnection

de recall, S-P:

$$V \equiv v_A / \sqrt{R_m} \sim \sqrt{\frac{v_A M}{L}}$$

$$\frac{1}{R_L} \sim \frac{1}{L^{3/2}}$$

\Rightarrow smaller scales reconnect faster.

\Rightarrow smaller tubes destroy first.

\therefore Arguments for conjecture of global helicity as rugged invariant:

\rightarrow enhanced dissipation (above) \rightarrow largest scales reconnect most slowly

\rightarrow stochasticity \rightarrow if field lines stochastic, then (cf Fermi-MNR)

1 field line \rightarrow 1 tube of conserved helicity \rightarrow Global

helicity is ok. m.v.

\Rightarrow RFA has only 1 field line.

→ selective decay

∴ global
large scale
helicity
accumulates.

→ magnetic helicity
(inverted cascade) on
30 MHz

→ magnetic energy
forward cascade.

no compare:

energy

heuristic

$$\bar{W} \sim -2\mu \langle (B^2)^2 \rangle \quad (\text{if } \nu \rightarrow 0)$$

$$K = \int d^3x A \cdot B \Rightarrow \dot{K} = -20 \mu \langle J \cdot B \rangle$$

$$\bar{W} \sim -2\mu \frac{\langle B^2 \rangle}{L_{\text{eff}}^2}$$

$$\dot{K} \sim -\mu \frac{\langle B^2 \rangle}{L_{\text{eff}}}$$

if $L_{\text{eff}} \sim \Delta \sim L / \sqrt{Rm} \sim \mu^{1/2}$

$$\therefore W \sim \eta^{\otimes 2} \rightarrow \text{finite} \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{indet dissipation} \\ \text{ok } \in \text{ in turb} \end{array} \right]$$

$$K \sim \eta^{1/2} \rightarrow 0$$

∞ W diss, $K \sim \text{const}$

\Rightarrow

Routine calc. variations:

$$D \times B = \mu B$$

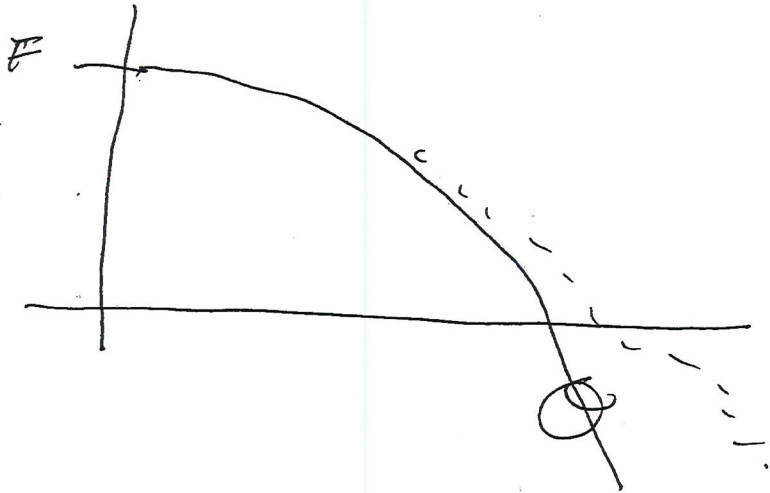
$$\bar{D} \cdot B / B^2 \rightarrow \text{const} = \mu$$

J_n / B homogenized

n.b.

$\int d^3x A \cdot D$ related
to volt-second $\int \dot{\phi}$ in
~~the~~ plasma, via
transformer.

Taylor Theory predicts $F-\Theta$
curve well



$$\Theta = \mu a / 2 = 2 I / a B_0$$

need $\mu a > 2.4$ created externally

$$\Theta > 1.2$$

$$F = B_{z \text{ well}} / \langle B \rangle$$

pretty good . . .

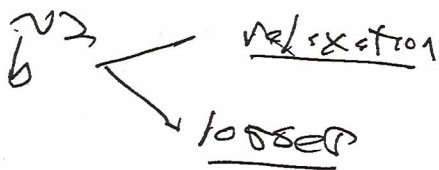
N.B. An unpleasant reality:

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- relaxation \Leftrightarrow stoch/turb.
- stoch/turb \rightarrow losses.

i.e. $\int_{V < r} \rho \times u J^2 = 2\pi r R Q$

$Q = \int_0^{\dots} \dots$ de. $\sim v_T \bar{k}^2 \text{lec} \int_0^{\dots}$
 $\sim \frac{v_{th}}{L} D_m \int_0^{\dots}$



\therefore heat flux driven dynamo ...

II.) Dynamics of Taylor Relaxation.

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① → How represent dynamics of relaxation?
How does system evolve to Taylor state?
(general)

② → How does RFP drive poloidal currents
which produce reversed toroidal field
(specific)

③ → How relate to more general concepts of
relaxation, dynamo? - Self-organized
criticality...

④-⑥ ⇒ Mean Field Electrodynamics

d.e. how calculate $\langle \mathbf{v} \times \tilde{\mathbf{B}} \rangle$

→ goal is turbulence driven EMF

→ akin $\langle \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{f} \rangle$ in QLT

→ issues: structure, symmetry
→ origin of irreversibility
conservation properties

→ topic is fundamental to subject of dynamo
theory

→ flow counterpart: ~~Zonal flow generation
(Monday Lecture)~~

Good resource:

www.igf.edu.A/KB/HKIM

items 28, 46

Keith Moffatt pub.

ⓐ Structural / Symmetry Argument
Approach I (Boozer '86)

Write Ohm's Law in form:
(mean field)

$$\langle \underline{E} \rangle + \langle \underline{v} \rangle \times \langle \underline{B} \rangle = \langle \underline{S} \rangle + \eta \langle \underline{J} \rangle$$

hereafter ignore

un-resolved
EMF →
"something"

some unspecified operator.

What is $\langle \underline{S} \rangle$?

- Taylor →
- (i) \underline{S} must ^{conserve H_M} not dissipate H_M
 - (ii) \underline{S} must dissipate E_M .

now,

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \int d^3x \langle \underline{A} \cdot \underline{B} \rangle &= \partial_t \int d^3x \langle \underline{A} \cdot \nabla \times \underline{A} \rangle \\ &= -2c \int d^3x \langle (\underline{E} + \nabla \phi) \cdot \underline{B} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$= -2c \int d^3x \langle \underline{E} \cdot \underline{B} \rangle \quad \int \underline{B} \cdot \nabla \phi = 0 \text{ to s.t.}$$

now

$$= -2c \int d^3x \langle \underline{S} \cdot \underline{B} \rangle + \eta \int d^3x \langle \underline{J} \cdot \underline{B} \rangle$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int d^3x \langle \underline{A} \rangle \cdot \langle \underline{B} \rangle = -2cM \int d^3x \langle \underline{J} \rangle \cdot \langle \underline{B} \rangle - 2c \int d^3x \langle \underline{B} \rangle \cdot \langle \underline{S} \rangle$$

Now, to conserve HM, 2nd term must integrate to S.T., so:

$$\langle \underline{S} \rangle = \frac{\underline{B}}{B^2} \underline{V} \cdot \underline{\Gamma}_H \quad \text{drop } \langle \rangle$$

↳ Flux, driving helicity evolution

For form $\underline{\Gamma}_H$, consider energy:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \int d^3x \frac{B^2}{8\pi} &= \int d^3x \frac{\underline{B}}{4\pi} \cdot \partial_t \underline{B} \\ &= - \int d^3x \frac{\underline{B}}{4\pi} \cdot c \underline{V} \times \underline{E} \\ &= - \int d^3x \underline{E} \cdot \underline{J} \\ &= - \int d^3x \left[\mu J^2 + \left(\frac{\underline{J} \cdot \underline{B}}{B^2} \right) \underline{V} \cdot \underline{\Gamma}_H \right] \\ &= - \int d^3x \left[\mu J^2 - \underbrace{\underline{\Gamma}_H}_\text{flux} \cdot \underbrace{\underline{V}}_\text{force} \left(\frac{\underline{J} \cdot \underline{B}}{B^2} \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

i.e. $\frac{dS}{dt} = \alpha \left(- \underline{V} \cdot \underline{\Gamma}_H \right) = \alpha Q (\underline{V})^2$, general form.
(entropy)

apart m_j

$$\partial_t E_M = \int d^3x \underline{\Gamma}_H \cdot \nabla (J_{||}/B)$$

$$\text{so } \underline{\Gamma}_H = -\lambda \nabla (J_{||}/B) \quad \underline{\text{assumes}}$$

$$\partial_t E_M = - \int d^3x \lambda \left[\nabla (J_{||}/B) \right]^2$$

and:

$$\langle \underline{E} \rangle = n \langle \underline{J} \rangle = \frac{B}{B^2} \nabla \cdot \left[+ \lambda \nabla \left(\frac{J \cdot B}{B^2} \right) \right]$$

simplified form:

$$\langle E_{||} \rangle = n J_{||} - \nabla_{\perp} \cdot \lambda \nabla_{\perp} J_{||}$$

diffusion
of
current.

$\lambda \equiv$ 'hyper-resistivity', 'electron viscosity'

structurally:

impl.
Reyn.

$$\lambda = \frac{c^2}{\omega_{pe}^2} D_J, \quad \text{as } \eta = \frac{c^2}{\omega_{pe}^2} \nu_{ei}$$

diffusivity

$$\lambda \equiv \mu.$$

$D_J \rightarrow$ MHD

\rightarrow multi-fluid

\rightarrow extended stochastic field argument

→ Exercises :

→ s-p reconnection, with $E_{||} = -\mu \nabla_{\perp}^2 J_{||}$!

$$v_R/v_A = 1/(\mathcal{S}_M)^{1/4} \quad \mathcal{S}_M = \frac{v_A L^3}{\mu} \quad (J!)$$

$$1/5 \rightarrow \mu/v_A L^3$$

→ derive structure of D_{\perp}
for ensemble stochastic fields

(i.e. shifted electron Maxwellian → $J_{||}(x) \dots$)

→ Compare D_{\perp} to χ_e for various turbulence models.

In MHD:

- as seek $\langle E_{||} \rangle$, and concerned with locally strong field

$$\left(\underline{E} + \frac{\underline{v} \times \underline{B}}{c} = \mu \underline{J} \right) \cdot \frac{\underline{B}}{|\underline{B}|}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{-\frac{1}{c} \partial_t A_{||} = \underline{n} \cdot \nabla \phi - \nabla A_{||} \times \underline{\hat{n}} \cdot \nabla \phi = \mu J_{||}}$$

here $\underline{\hat{n}} = \underline{B}/|\underline{B}|$

$$\underline{B} \nabla_{||} \phi$$

then for mean field:

$$-\frac{1}{c} \partial_t \langle A \rangle + \partial_n \left[\langle \underline{v}_\perp \tilde{\phi} \tilde{A}_{||} \rangle \right] = n \langle J_{||} \rangle$$

↑
Flctn. induced EMF

- note naturally in Flux Form.

$$\langle \underline{v}_\perp \tilde{\phi} \tilde{A}_{||} \rangle \equiv \underbrace{\langle \underline{v}_\perp \tilde{\phi} \delta A_{||} \rangle}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{iterate} \\ \text{Ohm's} \\ \text{Law} \\ \textcircled{1}}} + \underbrace{\langle \tilde{A}_{||} \underline{v}_\perp \delta \phi \rangle}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{iterate} \\ \text{vorticity eqn.} \\ \textcircled{2}}}$$

i.e.

$$\underline{v}_\perp \delta A_{||} + \underbrace{\Delta \omega_\perp \delta A_{||}}_{\substack{\delta \\ \text{turbulent mixing}}} = \underbrace{c k_{||} \delta \phi}_{\substack{\delta \\ \text{bending}}} - \underbrace{n k_\perp^2 \delta A_{||}}_{\substack{\delta \\ \text{resistive} \\ \text{disspn.}}}$$

①

$$\langle \underline{v}_\perp \tilde{\phi} \delta A_{||} \rangle = \sum_n \frac{k_\perp k_{||} |\tilde{\phi}|^2 (\Delta \omega_\perp + n k_\perp^2)}{\omega^2 + (\Delta \omega_\perp + n k_\perp^2)^2}$$

→ in pure QLT, irreversibility from resistive diffusion, only. → can be slow unless k_\perp^2 large

→ if undid normalizations,

$$\langle \underline{v}_\perp \tilde{\phi} \delta A_{||} \rangle = \alpha \langle B \rangle \rightarrow \text{alpha effect}$$

α = above formula.

i.e. $k_\perp k_{||}$ → Motion has handedness

i.e. $\underline{x} \rightarrow -\underline{x} \Rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow -\alpha$

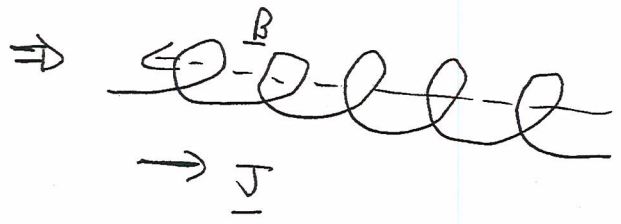
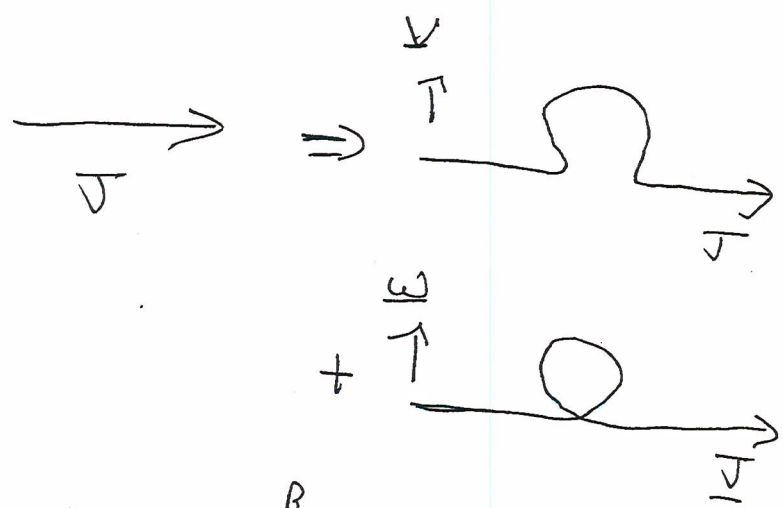
$$k_{\perp} k_{\parallel} = \frac{k_{\perp}^2}{L_s} x \quad \checkmark$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\partial \langle A_{ii} \rangle}{\partial t} = \alpha \langle B \rangle$$

$$\frac{\partial \langle B \rangle}{\partial t} = \alpha \langle J \rangle$$

i.e. how generate a field parallel/anti-parallel to a current?

(Parker)



need $\langle \tilde{v} \cdot \tilde{\omega} \rangle \neq 0 \rightarrow$ fluctuations have net helicity.

Here $\langle \tilde{v}_i \tilde{\omega}_i \tilde{v}_i \tilde{\omega}_i \rangle$ is magnetized analogue of handedness.

but also ...

$$\textcircled{2} = - \langle \nabla \tilde{A}_{||} \delta \phi \rangle$$

vorticity eqn:

$$\partial_t \nabla^2 \phi + \nabla \phi \times \tilde{\mathbf{E}} \cdot \nabla \nabla^2 \phi$$

$$= \frac{\tilde{B}_r}{B_0} \frac{\partial \langle J_{||} \rangle}{\partial r} + v_{||} \tilde{J}_{||} + \tilde{\mathbf{B}} \cdot \nabla \tilde{J} + u \nabla^2 \phi$$

$$\partial_t (-k_{\perp}^2 \tilde{\phi}_{\perp}) + \Delta \omega_{\perp} (-k_{\perp}^2 \tilde{\phi}_{\perp})$$

$$= \frac{\tilde{B}_{r\perp}}{B_0} \frac{\partial \langle J_{||} \rangle}{\partial r} + c k_{||} \tilde{A}_{\perp\perp} (-k_{\perp}^2) + u (k_{\perp}^2)^2 \tilde{\phi}_{\perp}$$

$$\tilde{\phi}_{\perp} = \frac{\frac{\tilde{B}_{r\perp}}{B_0 k_{\perp}^2} \frac{\partial \langle J_{||} \rangle}{\partial r} + c k_{||} \tilde{A}_{\perp\perp}}{(-i\omega + \Delta \omega_{\perp} + u k_{\perp}^2)}$$

$$\textcircled{2} = - \sum_{\perp} \frac{k_{\perp} k_{||} |\tilde{A}_{\perp}|^2 (\Delta \omega_{\perp} + u k_{\perp}^2)}{\omega^2 + (\Delta \omega_{\perp} + u k_{\perp}^2)^2}$$

- magnetic x effect

- opposite in ~~sign~~ sign to

①

$$\textcircled{2} = \sum_n \frac{|\nabla_{\perp} \tilde{A}_{||n}|^2}{B_0^2 k_{\perp}^2} \frac{(\Delta \omega_n + \nu k_{\perp}^2)}{\omega^2 + (\Delta \omega_n + \nu k_{\perp}^2)^2} - \frac{\partial \langle J_{||} \rangle}{\partial r}$$

→ clearly curve spreads to hyper- η .

i.e.

$$-\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \langle A_{||} \rangle}{\partial t} + \partial_r \langle (\nabla_{\perp} \tilde{\Phi}) \tilde{A}_{||} \rangle = \eta \langle J_{||} \rangle$$

$$\langle (\nabla_{\perp} \tilde{\Phi}) \tilde{A}_{||} \rangle = \sum_n k_{\perp} k_{||} \left\{ |\tilde{\Phi}_n|^2 L_n^{\alpha_k} - |A_{||n}|^2 L_n^{\alpha_M} \right\}$$

$$\left[L_n^{\alpha_k} = \frac{(\Delta \omega_n + \nu k_{\perp}^2)}{\omega^2 + (\Delta \omega_n + \nu k_{\perp}^2)^2} \right]$$

$$+ \sum_n \frac{|\tilde{B}_{rn}|^2}{B_0} \frac{L_n^{\alpha_k}}{k_{\perp}^2} \frac{\partial \langle J_{||} \rangle}{\partial r}$$

hyper-resistivity

- N.B.
- α 's both come from bending
 - α_k, α_M opposite sign.
 - α 's from MHD exterior,
- $$\tilde{A}_{||} \rightarrow \frac{k_{||} \tilde{\Phi}}{\omega + i\nu}$$

- hyper- η from ω resonance

27.

c.e. where vorticity driven.

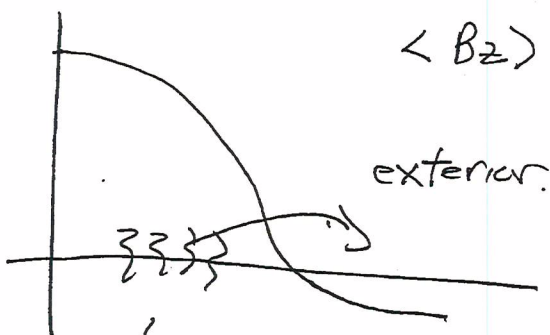
\Rightarrow reconnection process site.

= hyper- η tied to basic tearing drive

- α_M + hyper η cancel in exterior
 \checkmark survive in exterior, vanish near Res. surf

- note total EMF encompasses more than hyper- η :

(b) RFP



$Z = 1/n$
resonances

$Z < 1$
 $q' < 0$ } \Rightarrow K-S unstable

$m=1$ paradise
(global tearing turbulence)

\Rightarrow to compute induced EMF, seek

$\langle \underline{v} \times \underline{B} \rangle \hat{\theta}$ in exterior.

$v = \partial_t \underline{\xi}$
 \hookrightarrow displacement

$$\underline{\tilde{B}} = \nabla \times \underline{\Sigma} \times \langle \underline{B} \rangle$$

$$= -\hat{\underline{\Sigma}} \cdot \nabla \langle \underline{B} \rangle + \langle \underline{B} \rangle \cdot \nabla \hat{\underline{\Sigma}} - \langle \underline{B} \rangle \nabla \cdot \hat{\underline{\Sigma}}$$

field education
irrelevant

think incompressible

i.e. bending is key.

$$\underline{\tilde{B}} \approx \langle \underline{B} \rangle \cdot \nabla \underline{\tilde{\Sigma}}$$

$$\langle \underline{\tilde{v}} \times \underline{\tilde{B}} \rangle = \sum_{\underline{n}} \gamma_{\underline{n}} \langle \underline{\tilde{\Sigma}}_{-\underline{n}} \times \underline{\tilde{B}}_{\underline{n}} \rangle$$

$$= \sum_{\underline{n}} \gamma_{\underline{n}} \underline{\tilde{\Sigma}}_{-\underline{n}} \times i k_{\parallel} \langle \underline{B} \rangle_{\perp} \underline{\tilde{\Sigma}}_{\underline{n}}$$

→ field primarily poloidal near B_z
reversed region.

$$\nabla \cdot \underline{\Sigma} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial_r \underline{\tilde{\Sigma}}_r + i k_{\parallel} \underline{\tilde{\Sigma}}_z}{i k_{\parallel}} = \underline{\tilde{\Sigma}}_z$$

then

$$\langle \underline{\tilde{v}} \times \underline{\tilde{B}} \rangle_{\theta} = \sum_{\underline{n}} \gamma_{\underline{n}} i k_{\parallel} \langle \underline{B} \rangle_{\perp} \left[\underline{\tilde{\Sigma}}_z \underline{\tilde{\Sigma}}_x - \underline{\tilde{\Sigma}}_x \underline{\tilde{\Sigma}}_z \right]$$

$$= \sum_{\underline{n}} \frac{\gamma_{\underline{n}} i k_{\parallel} \langle \underline{B} \rangle_{\perp}}{-i k_{\parallel}} (M)$$

$$M = + (\partial_r \tilde{E}_r^* - i k_0 \tilde{E}_\theta) \tilde{E}_r$$

$$+ \tilde{E}_r^* (\partial_r \tilde{E}_r + i k_0 \tilde{E}_\theta)$$

$$M = + \partial_r |\tilde{E}_r|^2 + i k_0 (\tilde{E}_\theta^* \tilde{E}_r - \tilde{E}_r^* \tilde{E}_\theta)$$

but $\tilde{E}_r|_{\text{wall}} = 0$

$$r_{\text{rev}} \sim a \Rightarrow \partial_r \gg k_0$$

$$\langle \underline{\underline{Q}} \times \underline{\underline{B}} \rangle_\theta = + \sum_{\underline{h}} \gamma_{\underline{h}} \frac{k_{\parallel}}{k_z} \langle B_\theta \rangle \partial_r |\tilde{E}_{\underline{h}}|^2$$

$$\rightarrow k_{\parallel} / k_z = \left(\frac{m}{r} B_\theta - \frac{n}{R} B_z \right) / B_\theta$$

$$\approx \frac{m}{r} - \frac{n}{r} z(r)$$

$$= 1/r (m - n z(r))$$

$$k_z = n/R$$

$$k_{\parallel} / k_z = (R/r) (m/n) - \frac{R}{r} z(r)$$

$$= (R/r) (z_{\text{res}} - z(r))$$



so $\frac{1}{2} B_\theta$ at r_{res}

$$\langle \tilde{\mathbf{v}} \times \tilde{\mathbf{B}} \rangle = - \sum_n |\gamma_n| \frac{R}{r} (Z_{res} - Z(r)) \langle B_z \rangle \partial_r |\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_n|^2$$

$$\rightarrow \partial_r |\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_n|^2 < 0$$

$$\rightarrow \gamma_n \rightarrow \text{irreversibility } \left(\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \downarrow \end{array} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow Z_{res} - Z(r) \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} < 0 \text{ on axis} \\ > 0 \text{ at } r_{res}. \end{array}$$

$$\frac{\partial \langle \mathbf{J}_z \rangle}{\partial t} > 0$$

$$\langle \mathbf{E} \rangle + \langle \tilde{\mathbf{v}} \times \tilde{\mathbf{B}} \rangle = \mu \langle \mathbf{J}_z \rangle$$

$$\therefore \langle \mathbf{J}_z \rangle \approx \frac{1}{\mu} \langle \tilde{\mathbf{v}} \times \tilde{\mathbf{B}} \rangle_{\theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle B_z \rangle < 0 \rightarrow \text{kinetic drive reversal}$$

But what about irreversibility and/or locking in?

S-T-F-R

" \curvearrowright \Rightarrow $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$

$$\frac{1}{n} \frac{1}{n+1} \rightarrow \frac{2}{2n+1}$$

\searrow 0, 1

$$\frac{1}{n+1}, \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow \frac{2}{n+1}$$

$n=0$ drives \Rightarrow reconnection
 \rightarrow lock in.

Outline

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 - Why Principles are important
 - Examples of turbulent self-organization
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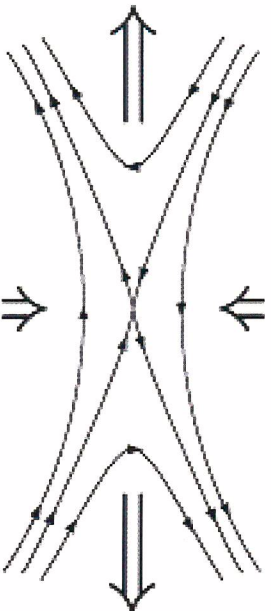
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 - Theoretical Perspective
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- Lessons Learned and Unanswered Questions

1.) Preamble

→ From Reconnection to Relaxation

- Usually envision as localized event involving irreversibility, dissipation etc. at a singularity



S.-P.

$$V \equiv V_A / Rm^{1/2}$$

- ??? - how describe **global** dynamics of relaxation and self-organization



- multiple, interacting/overlapping reconnection events

→ turbulence, stochastic lines, etc

Examples of Self-Organization Principles

→ Turbulent Pipe Flow: (Prandtl → She)

$$\sigma = -\nu_T \frac{\partial \langle v_y \rangle}{\partial x}$$

$$\nu_T \sim v_* x$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle v_y \rangle \sim v_* \ln x$$

Streamwise Momentum undergoes scale invariant mixing

→ Magnetic Relaxation: (Woltjer-Taylor)

(RFP, etc)

(Focus 1)

Minimize E_M at conserved global $H_M \Rightarrow$ Force-Free RFP profiles

→ PV Homogenization/Minimum Enstrophy: (Taylor, Prandtl, Batchelor, Bretherton,...)

(Focus 2)

→ PV tends to mix and homogenize

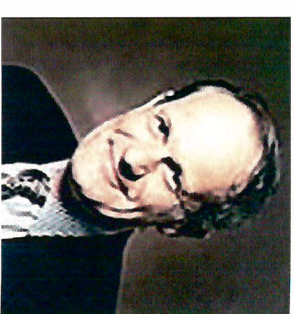
→ Flow structures emergent from selective decay of potential enstrophy relative energy

→ Shakura-Sunyaev Accretion

→ disk accretion enabled by outward viscous angular momentum flux

II.) Focus I - Magnetic Relaxation

→ Prototype of RFP's: **Zeta** (UK: late 50's - early 60's)



(Derek C Robinson)

- toroidal pinch = vessel + gas + transformer
- initial results → violent macro-instability, short life time
- weak B_T → stabilized pinch ↔ sausage instability eliminated
- $I_p > I_{p, crit}$ ($\theta > 1+$) → access to “Quiescent Period”

→ Properties of Quiescent Period:

- macrostability - reduced fluctuations
- $\tau_E \sim 1 \text{ msec}$ $T_e \sim 150 \text{ eV}$
- $B_T(a) < 0$ → **reversal**

→ Quiescent Period is origin of **RFP**

Further Developments

- Fluctuation studies:



- Force-Free Bessel Function Model

$$B_\theta = B_0 J_1(\mu r) \quad B_z = B_0 J_0(\mu r)$$

$$\mathbf{J} = \alpha \mathbf{B}$$

observed to correlate well with observed \mathbf{B} structure

- L. Woltjer (1958) : Force-Free Fields at constant α

\rightarrow follows from minimized E_M at conserved $\int d^3x \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B}$

- steady, albeit modest, improvement in RFP performance, operational space

\rightarrow Needed: Unifying Principle

Theory of Turbulent Relaxation

(J.B. Taylor, 1974)

→ hypothesize that relaxed state minimizes magnetic energy subject to constant **global** magnetic helicity

i.e. profiles follow from:

$$\delta \left[\int d^3x \frac{B^2}{8\pi} + \lambda \int d^3x \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} \right] = 0$$

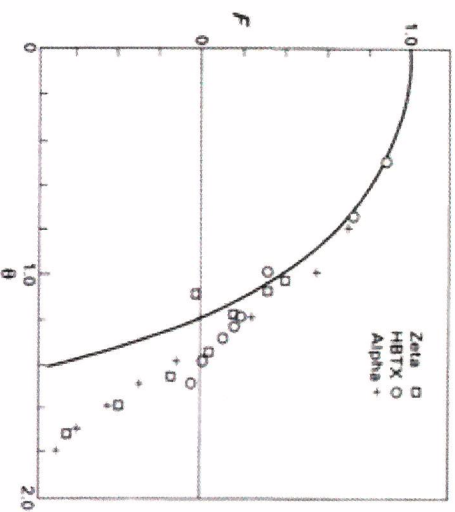
$$\Rightarrow \nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu \mathbf{B} \quad ; \quad J_{\parallel}/B = \frac{\mathbf{J} \cdot \mathbf{B}}{B^2} = \text{const}$$

Taylor state is:

- force free
- flat/homogenized J_{\parallel}/B
- recovers BFM, with reversal for $\theta = \frac{2I_p}{aB_0} > 1.2$

- Works amazingly well

Result:



and numerous other success stories

$$\theta = \mu a / 2 = \frac{2I_p}{aB_0}$$

$$F = B_{z,wall} / \langle B \rangle$$

→ **Questions:**

- what is magnetic helicity and what does it mean?
- **why** only global magnetic helicity as constraint?
- Theory predicts end state → what can be said about dynamics?
- What does the pinch say about dynamics?

→ Central Issue: Origin of Irreversibility

Why Global helicity, Only?

- in ideal plasma, helicity conserved for each line, tube

$$\text{i.e. } \mathbf{J} = \mu(\alpha, \beta)\mathbf{B} \quad \mu(\alpha', \beta') \neq \mu(\alpha, \beta)$$

- Turbulent mixing eradicates identity of individual flux tubes, lines!

i.e.

- if turbulence s/t field lines stochastic, then 'I field line' fills pinch.

I line \leftrightarrow I tube \rightarrow only global helicity meaningful.

- in turbulent resistive plasma, reconnection occurs on all scales, but: $T_R \sim l^\alpha$ $\alpha > 0$
($\alpha = 3/2$ for S-P reconnection)

Thus larger tubes persist longer. Global flux tube most robust

- selective decay: absolute equilibrium stat. mech. suggests **possibility** of inverse cascade of magnetic helicity (Frisch '75) \rightarrow large scale helicity most rugged.

Comments and Caveats

- Taylor's conjecture that global helicity is most rugged invariant remains a conjecture
 - **unproven in any rigorous sense**
- many attempts to expand/supplement the Taylor conjecture have had little lasting impact (apologies to some present...)
- Most plausible argument for global H_M is stochasticization of field lines → forces confinement penalty. No free lunch!
- Bottom Line:
 - Taylor theory, simple and successful
 - but, no dynamical insight!

Dynamics I:

- The question of Dynamics brings us to mean field theory (c.f. Moffat '78 and an infinity of others - see D. Hughes, Thursday Lecture)

- Mean Field Theory \rightarrow how represent $\langle \tilde{v} \times \tilde{B} \rangle$?

\rightarrow how relate to relaxation?

- **Caveat:** - MFT assumes fluctuations are small and quasi-Gaussian. They are often NOT

- MFT is often very useful, but often fails miserably

- Structural Approach (Boozer): (plasma frame)

$$\langle \mathbf{E} \rangle = \eta \langle \mathbf{J} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{S} \rangle$$

\rightarrow something \rightarrow related to $\langle \tilde{v} \times \tilde{B} \rangle$

$\langle \mathbf{S} \rangle$ conserves H_M

$\langle \mathbf{S} \rangle$ dissipates E_M

Note this is ad-hoc, forcing $\langle \mathbf{S} \rangle$ to fit the conjecture. Not systematic, in sense of perturbation theory

Now

$$\partial_t H_M = -2c\eta \int d^3x \langle \mathbf{J} \cdot \mathbf{B} \rangle - 2c \int d^3x \langle \mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{B} \rangle$$

$$\therefore \langle \mathbf{S} \rangle = \frac{\mathbf{B}}{B^2} \nabla \cdot \Gamma_H$$

Conservation $H_M \rightarrow \langle S \rangle \sim \nabla \cdot$ (Helicity flux)

$$\partial_t \int d^3x \frac{B^2}{8\pi} = - \int d^3x \left[\eta J^2 - \Gamma_H \cdot \nabla \frac{\langle \mathbf{J} \rangle \cdot \mathbf{B}}{B^2} \right]$$

so

$$\Gamma_H = -\lambda \nabla (J_{\parallel}/B) \quad , \text{ to dissipate } E_M$$

→ **simplest** form consistent with Taylor hypothesis

→ turbulent hyper-resistivity $\lambda = \lambda[\langle \tilde{B}^2 \rangle]$ - can derive from QLT

→ Relaxed state: $\nabla (J_{\parallel}/B) \rightarrow 0$ homogenized current → flux vanishes

Dynamics II: The Pinch's Perspective

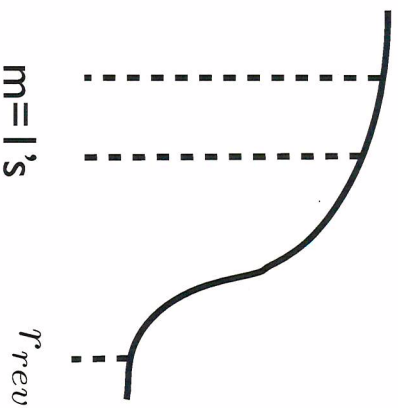
- Boozer model not based on fluctuation structure, dynamics
- Aspects of hyper-resistivity do enter, but so do other effects
 - Point: Dominant fluctuations controlling relaxation are $m=1$ tearing modes resonant in core → global structure
 - Issue: What drives reversal B_z near boundary?

Approach: QL $\langle \tilde{v} \times \tilde{B} \rangle$ in MHD exterior - exercise: derive!

$$\langle \tilde{\mathbf{v}} \times \tilde{\mathbf{B}} \rangle \cong \sum_k |\gamma_k| \frac{R}{r} (q_{res} - q(r)) \langle B_\theta \rangle \partial_r (|\tilde{\xi}_r|_k^2)$$

i.e. $\langle J_\theta \rangle$ driven opposite $\langle B_\theta \rangle$ → drives/sustains reversal

→ What of irreversibility - i.e. how is kink-driven reversal 'locked-in'?



→ drive $J_{||}/B$ flattening, so higher n 's destabilized by relaxation front

→ global scattering → propagating reconnection front

$m=1, n$ → $m=1, n+1$ → $m=0, n=1$ → driven current sheet, at r_{rev}

(difference beat)

sum beat $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} m=2, \\ 2n+1 \end{array} \right.$

but then $m=1, n+2$ driven → tearing activity, and relaxation region, broadens

→ Bottom Line: How Pinch 'Taylors itself' remains unclear, in detail

Summary of Magnetic Relaxation

concept: topology

process: stochastization of fields, turbulent reconnection

constraint released: local helicity

players: tearing modes

Mean Field: $EMF = \langle \tilde{v} \times \tilde{B} \rangle$

Global Constraint: $\int d^3x \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B}$

NL: Helicity Density Flux

Outcome: B-Profile

Shortcoming: Rates, confinement \rightarrow turbulent transport

Introduction to Mean Field

Electrodynamics

Mean Field Electrodynamics - A Brief Introduction

→ discussion of relaxation ⇒

$$-\langle \underline{\tilde{v}} \times \underline{\tilde{B}} \rangle = \frac{\langle \underline{B} \rangle}{\langle B \rangle^2} \nabla \cdot \underline{\Gamma}_H; \quad \underline{\Gamma}_H = -\chi \nabla \left(\frac{\langle \underline{J}_H \rangle}{\langle B \rangle} \right)$$

for consistency with Taylor hypothesis.

⇒ but, how calculate $\langle \underline{\tilde{v}} \times \underline{\tilde{B}} \rangle$ - i.e. what form does mean field EMF actually have?

→ problem in mean field electrodynamics (i.e. closure, akin Q.L.T.).

→ some simple cases:

- fluid turbulence + weak $\langle \underline{B}_0 \rangle$
- $R_m < 1$.

$$\langle \underline{\tilde{v}} \times \underline{\tilde{B}} \rangle = \langle \underline{v} \times \underline{B}^{\text{response}} \rangle$$

↑
response of
 \underline{B} to \underline{v} , in
presence $\langle \underline{B}_0 \rangle$

then NL $\rightarrow \Delta u \sim$ resistive diffn, μk^2

$$\partial_t \underline{\tilde{B}} + \underline{\tilde{v}} \times \underline{\tilde{B}} - \mu \nabla^2 \underline{\tilde{B}}$$

$$= \langle \underline{B} \rangle \cdot \underline{\tilde{v}} - \underline{\tilde{v}} \cdot \nabla \langle \underline{B} \rangle$$

$$\therefore (-i\omega + \mu k^2) \underline{\tilde{B}}_{k,\omega} = \underbrace{c k \langle \underline{B} \rangle}_{\text{benching}} \underline{\tilde{v}}_{k,\omega} - \underbrace{\underline{\tilde{v}} \cdot \nabla \langle \underline{B} \rangle}_{\text{field advection}}$$

$$\underline{\tilde{B}}_{k,\omega} = \frac{c k \langle \underline{B} \rangle \underline{\tilde{v}}_{k,\omega} - \underline{\tilde{v}}_{k,\omega} \cdot \nabla \langle \underline{B} \rangle}{-i\omega + \mu k^2}$$

$$\langle \underline{\tilde{v}} \times \underline{\tilde{B}} \rangle = \sum_{k,\omega} \underline{\tilde{v}}_{k,\omega} \times \left[\underbrace{c k \langle \underline{B} \rangle \underline{\tilde{v}}_{k,\omega}}_{\textcircled{1}} - \underbrace{\underline{\tilde{v}}_{k,\omega} \cdot \nabla \langle \underline{B} \rangle}_{\textcircled{2}} \right]$$

$-i\omega + \mu k^2$

② \rightarrow even in k

\Rightarrow advection of $\langle \underline{B} \rangle$

i.e. turbulent resistivity

① \rightarrow odd in $k \leftrightarrow$ bending \rightarrow link
 symmetry breaking, for contribution \rightarrow physics
 $\rightarrow \int_0^{\infty}$

N.B.: In both cases irreversibility provided by resistive diffusion \Rightarrow otherwise difficulty

For isotropic velocity spectrum:

$$\langle \tilde{v}_i(k, \omega) \tilde{v}_j^*(k', \omega') \rangle = \delta(k-k') \delta(\omega-\omega') \overline{\Phi}_{ij}(k, \omega)$$

①

$$\overline{\Phi}_{i,j}(k, \omega) = \frac{E(k, \omega)}{4\pi k^2} (k^2 \delta_{ij} - k_i k_j)$$

②

$$+ \frac{iF(k, \omega)}{8\pi k^2} \epsilon_{ijl} k_l$$

① \rightarrow energy density, even power
 $\rightarrow \nabla \cdot v = 0$

② Now,

$$F(k, \omega) = c \int \epsilon_{abc} k_a \overline{\Phi}_{bc}(k, \omega) dS_k$$

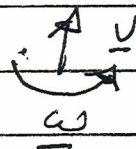
$$\langle \underline{v} \cdot \underline{\omega} \rangle = i \epsilon_{ijk} \int \int k_n \Phi_{jke}(\underline{k}, \omega) d\underline{k}, d\omega$$

↓
spectral

$$\text{helicity} = \int \int d\underline{k} d\omega F(\underline{k}, \omega)$$

$$\Rightarrow \textcircled{2} \sim \langle \underline{v} \cdot \underline{\omega} \rangle$$

\Rightarrow turbulence helicity
(mean projection \underline{v}
on $\underline{\omega}$)



so after some crank (see Moffat: available
free, online):

$$\langle \underline{v} \times \underline{B} \rangle = \alpha \langle \underline{B} \rangle - \beta \langle \underline{J} \rangle$$

$$\alpha \equiv \frac{-1}{3} \int \int d\underline{k} d\omega \frac{k^2 F(\underline{k}, \omega)}{\omega^2 + (\nu k^2)^2}$$

$\Rightarrow \alpha$ is weighted integral of helicity
spectrum

c.e.

$$\sim \langle \underline{v} \cdot \underline{\omega} \rangle$$

$$\beta = \frac{2}{3} \mu \int \int dk d\omega \frac{k^2 E(k, \omega)}{\omega^2 + (\nu k^2)^2}$$

$\Rightarrow \beta$ is weighted integral of energy spectrum

i.e.

$$\sim \langle \tilde{v}^2 \rangle$$

∞

$$\frac{\partial \langle B \rangle}{\partial t} - \nu \nabla^2 \langle B \rangle = \underbrace{\nabla \times \langle \tilde{v} \times \tilde{B} \rangle}_{\text{mean EMF}}$$

$$\underbrace{\langle \tilde{v} \times \tilde{B} \rangle}_{\text{mean EMF}} = \underbrace{\alpha \langle B \rangle}_{\alpha\text{-effect}} - \underbrace{\beta \langle J \rangle}_{\beta\text{-effect}}$$

$$\frac{\partial \langle B \rangle}{\partial t} - \nu \nabla^2 \langle B \rangle = \alpha \nabla \times \langle B \rangle + \beta \nabla^2 \langle B \rangle$$

$\Rightarrow \beta$ as turbulent resistivity \Rightarrow random advective mixing of $\langle B \rangle$

→ α ?

Further interesting to note:

→ look for force-free condition fields:

$$\nabla \times \underline{B} = \lambda \underline{B}$$

$$\partial_t \underline{B} - (\alpha + \beta) \nabla^2 \underline{B} = \alpha \lambda \underline{B}$$

⇒

$$\gamma_B = \alpha \lambda - (\alpha + \beta) \lambda^2$$

∴ α can amplify field → depending on λ (scale)

⇒ dynamo ↔ via α -effect

→ Physics:

$$\alpha \rightarrow \text{helicity} \leftrightarrow \langle \underline{\tilde{v}} \cdot \underline{\tilde{\omega}} \rangle$$

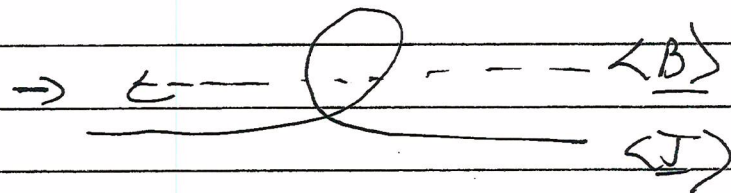
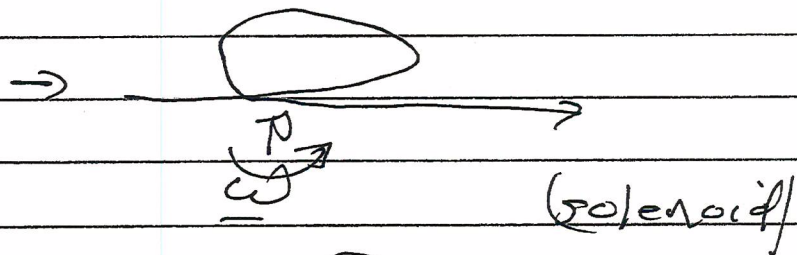
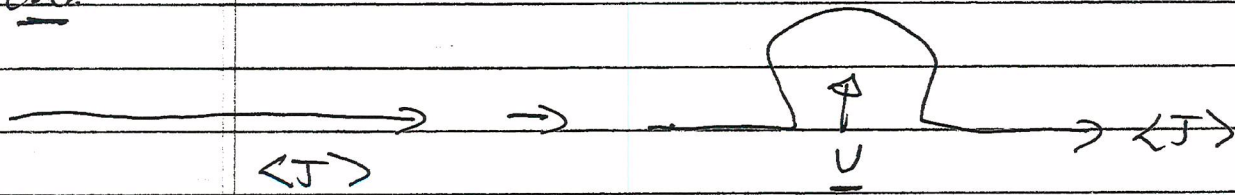
Then:

→ can stretch, twist, fold lines,

to amplify field.

$$\rightarrow \alpha: \langle J \rangle \rightarrow \langle \underline{B} \rangle$$

die.



$$\langle \underline{B} \rangle \parallel \langle J \rangle$$

repeat \Rightarrow amplify field.

$$\text{i.e. } \delta_0 = \alpha \lambda - (\eta + \beta) \lambda^2$$

$$d\delta/d\lambda = \alpha - 2(\eta + \beta)\lambda = 0$$

$$\lambda_{\text{max growth}} = \alpha / 2(\eta + \beta)$$

$$\delta_B|_{\text{max}} = \frac{\alpha^2}{4(\eta + \beta)}$$

$\sim \alpha^2$ dynamo.

N.B.:

→ locking-in (reconnection!) crucial!
 ⇒ role of η as cross-phase.
 ⇒ high R_m → problematic.

→ non-linearity, especially high R_m
 ⇒ a field in itself!

N.B.: Impact/role of magnetic helicity
 in dynamo control.