

Physics 218c

Lecture 5a: - TEM and TIM, conclusion.

- Geometry  $\rightarrow$  Dynamics I.

- OV

- Magnetic Shear and  
Quasimodes/Twisted Slices

- Shearing Coordinates

# Geometry and Dynamics

- Till now, homogeneous media
- Tokamak - non-trivial geometry, which enters physics  
 ⇒ compatibility issues.  
 - here consider basic elements

## - Basic Elements - [Magnetic, E & B on equal footing]

- Resonances / Resonant Surfaces
  - optical
  - wave-particle

- Shear ↔ Representation / Quasimodes Shearing Coordinates
  - Magnetic
  - E & B

- Toroidicity ↔ "Ballooning"  
 ⇒ Representing Bloch Modes poloidal harmonic coupling (real space)

⇒ ~~some~~ "Ballooning Mode Formalism"  
(along line)

Some reading:

- Roberts & Taylor '65 - Shearing Physics, Quasimodes
- [\* - good for intuition]
- CHT - Ballooning formalism
- Goldreich & Lynden-Bell - Shearing (Galactic dynamics) Condensates
- BDT Rhines & Young } Diffusion/Scattering + shear.

M.B. With toroidicity  $\leftrightarrow$  trapped particles.

Extended OV

②

Resonances

→ demand poloidal, toroidal periodicity

$$\vec{\phi} \sim \vec{\phi}_{mn}(r) e^{i(m\theta - n\phi)}$$

$\int \frac{m}{n}$  mode  
patch

→ Field lines wind  $\leftrightarrow$  pitch

$$\frac{dr}{B_r} = \frac{r d\theta}{B_\theta} = R \frac{d\phi}{B_z}$$

$$\frac{r d\theta}{R d\phi} = \frac{B_\theta}{B_z}, \quad \theta = \frac{\phi}{q(r)} + \theta_0$$

$$q(r) = \frac{r B_z}{R B_\theta} \equiv \text{defines pitch of magnetic field lines}$$

→ when  $q(r) = \frac{m}{n} \Rightarrow$  mode pitch  
= field line  
pitch

resonant surfaces.

where

$$(\mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla) \Phi = 0$$

i.e.

$$\left( B_r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{B_\theta}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \frac{B_z}{R} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \right) \Phi = 0$$

$$\text{i.e.} \quad \left( c \frac{m}{r} B_0 - i \frac{n}{R} B_0 \right) \Phi = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$k_{||} = \frac{k \cdot B_0}{|B_0|} = \frac{m}{2cm} - n$$

Radially symmetric surfaces have  $k_{||} = 0$

i.e. minimize:

— Landau damping

$$\left[ \frac{1}{\omega - k_{||} v_{||}} \right]$$

— Landau damping  $\rightarrow$  magnetic resonance  $\rightarrow$  wave particle resonance

— inhomogeneity

$$\delta W = \int d^3x \left[ \frac{(\nabla \times \mathcal{E} \times B_0)^2}{4\pi} + \dots \right]$$

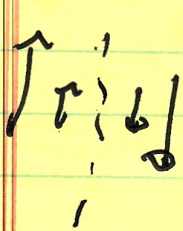
+ definite  
stabilizing

$$(\mathcal{B}_0 \cdot \nabla \mathcal{E})^2 \sim k_{||}^2 B_0^2 \mathcal{E}^2$$

$\Rightarrow$  modes related to / situated at resonant surfaces.

→  $\underline{k} \cdot \underline{B} = 0$  resonances critical  
to tokamaks

→ sites of modes, islands, etc.



$\otimes B_0$

locally  $\rightarrow$  transform to  $\sigma \cdot b$

$\Rightarrow$  tearing, reconnection

→ Low  $q$  resonances:

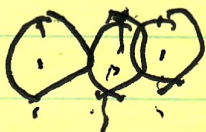
- tearing, NTM, etc.

$\Rightarrow$

MHD  $\rightarrow$  disruptions

→ resonances coupled by toroidicity

→ resonance overlap  $\rightarrow$   $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{chaos} \\ \text{stochasticity} \end{array} \right.$



$\omega_{\perp}$  vs  $\Delta r$ .

$\Rightarrow$  M.B. B.D operation is  
in partent

$\rightarrow \partial W, \text{ etc.} \leftrightarrow$  shear  
Alfven

$\rightarrow$  kinetics  $v_{||} \hat{n} \cdot \nabla$   $\hat{n} = \frac{\underline{B}}{|\underline{B}|}$

Note can write:

$$\underline{B} \cdot \nabla = \frac{B_0}{R} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} + \frac{B_0}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \underline{\tilde{B}} \cdot \nabla$$

$$R \partial \phi = \partial z$$

$$= B_0 \partial_z + \frac{B_0}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \underline{\tilde{B}} \cdot \nabla$$

$$= \partial_z + \frac{1}{Rz(r)} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \underline{\tilde{B}} \cdot \nabla$$

analogous to:

$$\frac{d}{dt} = \partial_t + \langle v_y \rangle \partial_y + \underline{\tilde{v}} \cdot \nabla$$

$$= \partial_t + \langle v_y(x) \rangle \partial_y + \underline{\tilde{v}} \cdot \nabla$$

$$\underline{B \cdot \underline{D}} \rightarrow \partial_z + \frac{\mathcal{I}}{R_2(\omega)} \partial_{\theta} + \underline{B^2} \cdot \underline{D}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \rightarrow \partial_t + \langle v_y(\omega) \rangle \partial_y + \underline{v} \cdot \underline{D}$$

Variable winding rate

Also :

$$\left[ \omega - k_y \langle v_y(\omega) \rangle - k_y v_H \right]$$

Sheared flow  $\leftrightarrow$  Landau resonance.

this brings us to:

② Shear

Shear  $\equiv$  variable winding / flow rate

$\rightarrow$  excitations twist

$\Rightarrow$  affects coherence of fluctuations in space / time



$\Rightarrow$  ~ fluctuation 'wants' to align with shear, but can't.

$\Rightarrow$  shearing coordinates!

- a natural way to describe fluctuations in shear

- but price  $\rightarrow$  lose normal mode description  
 $\rightarrow$  shearing "quasi-mode"

Can?  $\rightarrow$  Does shearing quasi-mode grow to NL prior to decay, etc.?

Shearing coordinates:

$$(\partial_t + \underbrace{\tilde{v}_y x}_{\text{shearing}} \partial_y + \tilde{U} \cdot \nabla) c = 0$$

seek eliminate shearing

so

~ define new coordinates, co-moving with  $\langle V_y \rangle$  flow

→ de tulting coordinates

$$x' = x$$

$$y' = y - V' x t$$

(simplify notation)

$$z' = z$$

$$t' = t$$

and

$$\partial_x = \cancel{\partial_x} \frac{\partial x'}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial x'} + \frac{\partial y'}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial y'}$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial x'} - V' t' \frac{\partial}{\partial y'}$$

$$\partial_y = \frac{\partial y'}{\partial y} \frac{\partial}{\partial y'} + \frac{\partial x'}{\partial y} \frac{\partial}{\partial x'} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y'}$$

$$\partial_t = \cancel{\partial_t} \frac{\partial t'}{\partial t} \frac{\partial}{\partial t'} + \frac{\partial y'}{\partial t} \frac{\partial}{\partial y'}$$

$$= \partial_{t'} - V' x' \partial_{y'}$$

$\nabla_0$  in shearing coordinates:

$$\partial_x + v'_y x \partial_y = \cancel{\partial_x} + \cancel{v'_y x \partial_y} + \cancel{v'_x} \partial_{x'} + \cancel{v'_y} \partial_{y'}$$

$$= \partial_{x'}$$

i.e. coordinates eliminate fast variation ↓

$$C_k e^{i \underline{k} \cdot \underline{x}} \rightarrow \exp \left[ i (k'_x - k'_y v'_t) x + i k'_y y + i k'_z z \right]$$

$$= \exp \left[ i (k'_x) - i k'_y v'_x t \right]$$

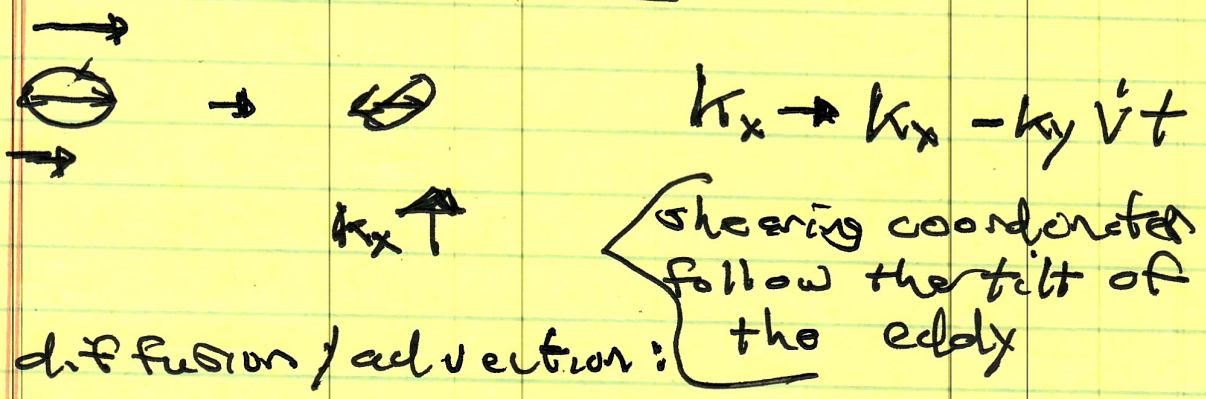
$$= e^{i k'_x x} e^{-i k'_y v'_x t} = \exp \left[ i x (k'_x - k'_y v'_t) + i k'_y y + i k'_z z \right]$$

i.e.  $k_x \rightarrow k_x - k_y v'_t$

or  $\partial_n = \frac{dk}{dt} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\omega + \underline{k} \cdot \underline{v})$

# Physics of shearing coordinates:

Eddy tilting and thinning:



For diffusion/advection:

$$\left[ \partial_t + v'_y x \partial_y - D (\partial_x^2 + \partial_y^2) \right] C = 0$$

$$C = C_0 e^{i k_x x}$$

$$\left[ \partial_t + D \left[ (k'_x - k'_y v' t)^2 + k'^2_y \right] \right] C = 0$$

$\int dx = dx' - v' t \partial_y$

$$C = C_0 e^{i(k'_y y + k'_z z)} e^{-k'^2_y D t} \exp \left[ -\int dt D (k'_x - k'_y v' t)^2 \right]$$

$$\sim e^{-\frac{k'^2_y v'^2 t^3}{3}} \approx \exp \left[ -\frac{k'^2_y D v' t^3}{3} \right]$$

shear enhanced decorrelation decay.

so have:

$$x' = x$$

$$y' = y - \frac{x}{L} z$$

$$z' = z$$

↳ twisted slicing coordinates

and

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x'} - \frac{x'}{L} \frac{\partial}{\partial y'}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y'}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z'} - \frac{x'}{L} \frac{\partial}{\partial y'}$$

and again find:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} + \frac{x}{L} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z'} - \frac{x'}{L} \frac{\partial}{\partial y'} + \frac{x'}{L} \frac{\partial}{\partial y'} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z'}$$

⇒ Twisted slicing coordinates annihilate leading <sup>fast</sup> behavior  $\nabla_{||}$ . ⇒ natural, rational variables.  
de character fast variation B-D due shear.

$$\nabla_{||} \underline{\Phi} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\Phi}_k e^{i k \cdot x} &\rightarrow \underline{\Phi}^{\theta} \exp \left[ i \left( k_x x - k_y \frac{x'}{L_s} z' \right) \right] \\ &e^{i k_y' y'} \\ &= \exp \left[ i (k' \cdot x') \right] e^{-i k_y' \frac{x'}{L_s} z'} \end{aligned}$$

i.e.  $k_x \rightarrow k_x - k_y \frac{z}{L_s}$

as in:

$$\frac{dk_x}{dz} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( k_y' \frac{B_y}{B_0} \right)$$

$$B_y = \frac{B_0 x}{L_s}$$

→ can apply to zero fields

- effective eikonal, evolving on  $z$

→ What of magnetic shearing coordinates }  
" " }  
⇒ Twisted Slicing Modes

As before:

$$D_{||} = \frac{k \cdot B_0}{|B_0|} \rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial z} + \frac{1}{R_L} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}$$

$$\frac{1}{R_L} \approx \frac{1}{[R_L(\omega + x)]} \approx \frac{1}{R_L(\omega)} - \frac{x z' r}{R_L^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}$$

$$\approx \left( \frac{v}{R_L(\omega)} + \frac{x}{L_s} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial y}$$

↳ absorb to  $\partial z$

$$\frac{1}{L_s} = - \frac{r z'}{z R_L} = - \frac{v z'}{R_L}$$

$$D_{||} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} + \frac{x}{L_s} \frac{\partial}{\partial y}$$

then use shearing coordinates, with:

$$t \rightarrow z, \quad \frac{1}{L_s} \rightarrow \frac{1}{y}$$

$$k_x \rightarrow k_x - \frac{k_y z}{L_s}, \quad k_y \rightarrow k_y$$

$$k_z \rightarrow k_z$$

And with diffusion: (general scattering)

$$\left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial z} + \frac{x}{L_s} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - D (\partial_x^2 + \partial_y^2) \right] F = 0$$

i.e.  $D_M = \sum_n |k_{n1}|^2 \pi \sigma(\omega_{n1})$

i.e.  $v_n \hat{n} \cdot \nabla F - |v_n| D \nabla^2 F = 0$

$$\left[ \right] F = \left[ \partial_{z1} + D \left[ (k_x' - k_y' \frac{z}{L_s})^2 + k_y'^2 \right] \right] F$$

$$F_n = \frac{1}{n} e^{-k_y'^2 D z} \exp \left[ - \int dz D (k_x' - k_y' \frac{z}{L_s})^2 \right]$$

$$\sim e^{-\frac{k_y'^2 D}{3 L_s^2} z^3} \equiv \exp \left[ - \frac{k_y'^2 D}{3 L_s^2} z^3 \right]$$

magnetic shear induced decorrelation  $\rightarrow$  long correlation length

if return  $V_{Te}$ :

$$\frac{1}{\nu_c} = \left( \frac{k_y'^2 V_{Te} D}{3 L_s^2} \right)^{1/3} \leftarrow \text{time} \quad \text{corresponding}$$

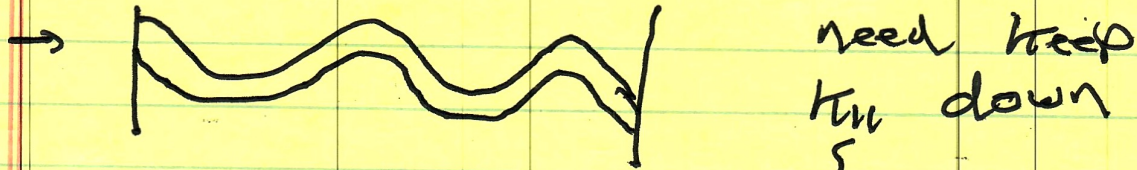
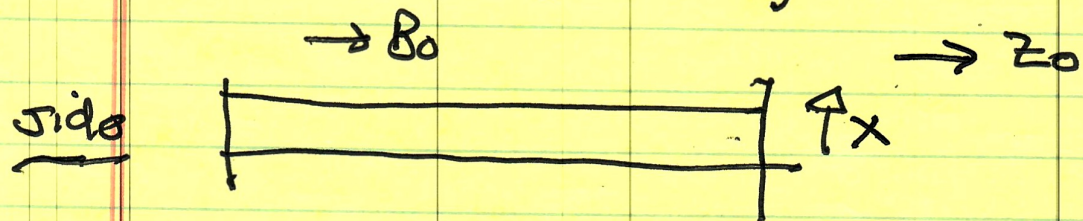


→ What does it Mean?

- if, say, consider interchange,

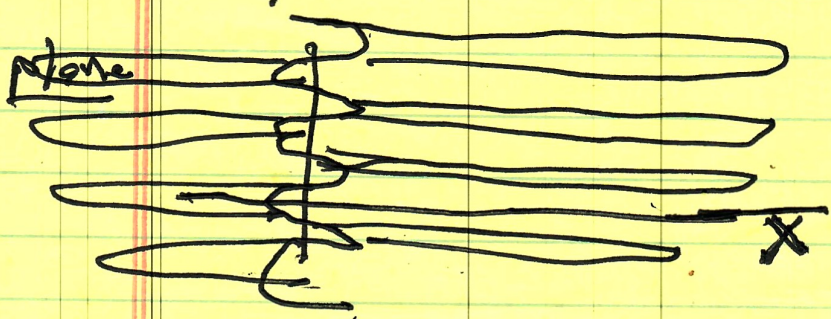
$$\gamma^2 = \frac{k_y^2}{k_x^2} \frac{g}{L_p}$$

- if  $B = \text{const}$  and incompressible (i.e. conducting B.C.)



$$\gamma^2 = \frac{k_y^2}{k_x^2} \frac{g}{L_p} = v_A^2 k_{||}^2$$

bending stabilization



ripples (like loaf of bread)

↳ ripple in y (like flute)

so ~~the~~ slices extend in  $x$ ,  
but high  $k_y$ .

Now, if  $B = B_0 (\hat{z} + \frac{x}{L_s} \hat{y})$   
shear  $\downarrow$

slices must align to remain  
aligned with field, locally.

i.e.  $k_z \rightarrow k'_z - \frac{x}{L_s} k'_y$

$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial z'} - \frac{x'}{L_s} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} = 0$   
maintain alignment

$$\frac{dy'}{dz'} = \frac{x'}{L_s}$$

mode/coll must twist in  $Z'$

$\Rightarrow$  twisted slices

$\rightarrow$  analogue of eddy tilting for  
shear flow.

n in the  
 nation) and also  
 III and IV we deal  
 while the principal  
 in Secs. V and VI is  
 which can be shown  
 discussed

$$x = 0$$

$$B = B_0 \hat{z}$$

$$\underline{B} = B_0 z \left( -\hat{z} + \frac{z}{L} \hat{y} \right)$$

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Fluctuation twists  
 to align with shear

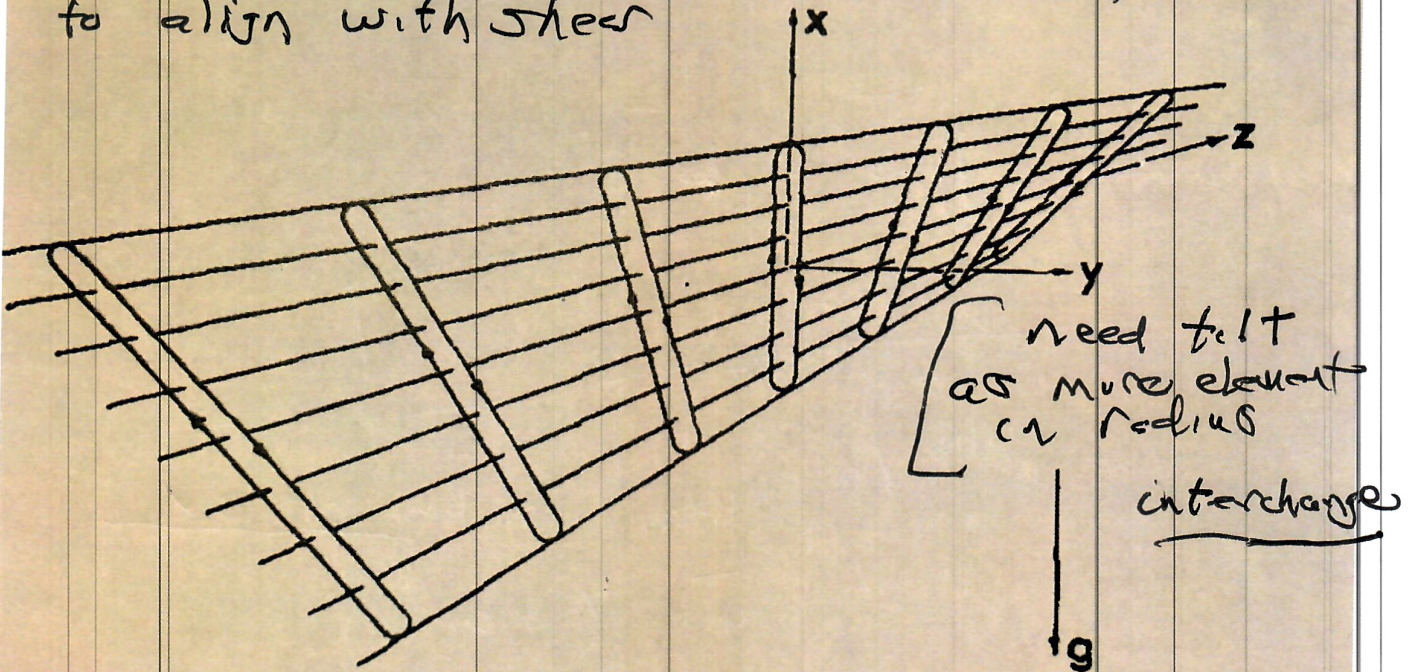


FIG. 1. Twisted slicing mode.

red magnetic field through a series of simpler  
 related problems. In Sec. III we first consider the  
 rotational instability of a perfectly-conducting  
 incompressible fluid in a sheared magnetic field,  
 contained between conducting endplates which, how-  
 ever, are coated with a thin insulating layer so that

Which brings us to:

→ Resistive Interchanges!

Recall:

- interchange ~~is~~  $k_{||} = 0$   
(Flute)

- stabilized by shear  
 $k_{||} = k_y \lambda / L_s$  ( $\vec{E}_{||} = 0$ )

- then introduce resistivity →  
decouple field and fluid;  
 $\lambda$  scale and  $k_{||}$  linked.

$$\nabla_{\perp}^2 \hat{\phi} + \frac{v_A^2}{\gamma M} \nabla_{||}^2 \hat{\phi} + \frac{g}{|k_{\perp}| \gamma^2} k_{y}^2 \hat{\phi} = 0$$

$$\nabla_{||} = i k_{||} (x)$$

$$\gamma \sim O(M^{1/3}) \rightarrow O(1/5^{1/3})$$

$$1/5 = a M / a^2 v_A$$

Spatial width  $\sim \mathcal{O}(a/s^{1/3})$ .  
 $w \sim a/s^{1/3}$   
 $s \gg 1$ .

Now, consider twisting coordinates,  
clarity

assume infinite length.  
 (no b.c.)

$x$   
 $y$   
 $z$   
 $x'$   
 and

$$x = y = \frac{x}{L} z \quad \varphi = z$$

$z'$  if assume to extend  $\pm \infty$ , along line. Does not satisfy boundary condition. Quasi-mode  $\rho_{z'}$

ballooning formalism reconciles twisted slice and periodicity

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi} - \frac{\varphi}{L} \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z'} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi}$$

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$$\left[ \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \frac{v}{L_0} \right)^2 + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \right] \vec{\phi}^1 + \frac{v^2}{\delta \eta} \frac{\partial^3 \vec{\phi}^1}{\partial \phi^2} - \frac{\delta}{L_0} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \vec{\phi}^1 = 0$$

Lin Eqn. in twisted slicing coordinates:  
 time  $\downarrow$  radius  $\downarrow$  binormal

$$\vec{\phi}^1 = \vec{\phi}(\phi) e^{ik_x x} e^{iky y}$$

$$= e^{ik_x x} e^{iky (y - \frac{x}{L_0} z)} \vec{\phi}^1(z)$$

opens door to "ballooning"  $\rightarrow$

'cigarfunction' described length along field lines

$\rightarrow$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \vec{\phi}^1}{\partial \phi^2} - \frac{\delta \eta k_y^2}{v_A^2} \left[ \left( \frac{k_x}{k_y} - \frac{v}{L_0} \right)^2 + 1 \right] \vec{\phi}^1 + \frac{k_y^2 g}{L_0} \frac{\delta \eta}{v_A^2 \delta^2} \vec{\phi}^1 = 0$$

$k_x \ll k_y$  (large scale)

differs from usual  
resistive interchange

$$\frac{\partial^2 \vec{\phi}}{\partial \ell^2} - \frac{\delta \eta k_y^2}{v_A^2} \left[ \frac{\ell^2}{L_S^2} + 1 \right] \vec{\phi} + \frac{\eta k_y^2 \delta_E^2}{\delta v_A^2} \vec{\phi} = 0$$

$$\vec{\phi}(\ell) = e^{-\alpha \ell^2 / 2}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\delta T_A \sim \delta^{-1/3}$$

$$\delta \sim \eta^{1/3}$$

$$\sqrt{\alpha} \sim \frac{1}{L_{\text{eff}}} \sim \eta^{1/3}$$

$$L_{\text{eff}} \sim \eta^{-1/3}$$

$\delta$   
effective length along  
field line

What is new?

$$\Rightarrow k_x a \sim 1$$

i.e.  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{no constraint on} \\ \text{spatial scale,} \\ \\ k_x \ll k_y \\ \Rightarrow \text{like slice} \end{array} \right.$

Comments

-  $\vec{\phi} = f(x) \vec{\phi}(z) e^{iky(y - \frac{x}{L}z)}$

envelope in  $x$ , slow  $\sim \eta^{-1/3}$  } eigenfunction } twisting localized variation

- here "modes" are finite length rolls, locally aligned with shear  
 $\phi$  const along  $y - \frac{z \cdot x}{L} = \text{const.}$

- "modes" here are really wave-packets of localized resistive interchange  
 every mode " quasi-mode "

"modes", "quasi-mode"  $\rightarrow$  no b.c. in  $z, \ell$

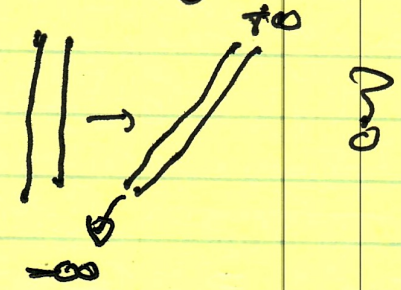
mode  $\rightarrow$  satisfy b.c. (periodicity) in  $\phi$ .



- "quasimodes" have finite length  $\infty$

$\xi \rightarrow$  allow twist to align with shear

$\Rightarrow$  energetics!



-  $\gamma \sim \eta^{1/3}$  but  $k \times a \sim \eta$   
 $\Rightarrow$  large transport

contrast:  $\gamma \sim \eta^{1/3}$ ,  $\Delta \sim \eta^{1/3}$

~~weak~~  $- \eta \frac{d\rho_0}{dr} = \tau_{\perp}^0$   
 $\downarrow$   
weak,

- wave packets disperse, but relevant,

Poloidal coupling due to toroidicity

$\Rightarrow$  wave packets become eigenmodes

TBC