

Tour of the Gyrokinetic Equation

Part 2

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In $\boxed{\mathcal{E}} = \frac{mv^2}{2} + e\phi$, $\boxed{\mathcal{M}} = \frac{mv^2}{2B}$, $\boxed{\mathcal{R}} = \vec{r} + \widehat{\vec{b}} \times \frac{\vec{p}}{\Omega}$ coordinates
and distribution function $\boxed{g} = f - f_0$, $f_0 = \frac{Nc^{-\frac{mv^2}{2T}}}{(2\pi T/m)^{3/2}} \cdot \left(1 - \frac{e\phi}{T}\right)$

Gyrokinetic equation:
(nonlinear)

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial t} + (v_{\parallel} \vec{b} + \vec{v}_E + \vec{v}_d) \cdot \nabla g = \vec{v}_E \cdot \nabla f_0 + \frac{e}{T} \left\langle \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} \right\rangle f_0$$

$$\vec{v}_E = \frac{\vec{b} \times \nabla \langle \phi \rangle}{B}, \quad \vec{v}_d = \frac{\vec{b}}{\Omega} \times \left[\frac{v_{\perp}^2}{2} \nabla \ln B + v_{\parallel}^2 (\vec{b} \cdot \nabla) \vec{b} \right]$$

→ gyroaverage $\langle \phi \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} \phi(\vec{r}) \frac{d\theta}{2\pi}$ done at constant $\vec{R}, \varepsilon, \mu$

• Fourier Transform $\phi(\vec{r}) = \int d\vec{k} \underbrace{e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}}}_{e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{R}}} \phi(\vec{k})$
 $e^{-i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}} \rightarrow -ik_{\parallel} e^{i\theta}$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \phi \rangle = \int d\vec{k} e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{R}} \phi(\vec{k}) \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{2\pi} e^{-ik_{\parallel} e^{i\theta}} = \mathcal{Y}_0(k_{\parallel} \rho)$$

therefore, in \vec{k} space, $\langle \phi \rangle \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_0 \phi$

Gyrokinetic equation
(Fourier-transformed, linearized)

$$v_{\parallel} \nabla_{\parallel} g_a - i(\omega - \omega_d) g_a = -\frac{ie}{T} \mathcal{Y}_0 \phi (\omega - \omega_*^T) f_a$$

$$\omega_d = \vec{k}_{\perp} \cdot \vec{v}_d, \quad \omega_*^T = \omega_* \left[1 + \eta \left(\frac{mv^2}{2T} - \frac{3}{2} \right) \right], \quad \eta = \frac{d\mu \ln T}{d\mu \ln n}$$

$\hookrightarrow T \frac{k_{\perp} \alpha}{c} d_{\perp} \ln n_{\parallel}$

$$\nabla_{\parallel} = \vec{b} \cdot \nabla$$

What if we included collisions?

add term to GK eq. + $\langle C(f) \rangle$

example: Lenard-Bernstein operator $C(f) = \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{v}} \cdot \left(\vec{v} f + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \vec{v}} \right)$

need to gyroaverage! In Fourier space,

$$\rightarrow C(f) = \nu \int d\vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{v}} \cdot \left(\vec{v} f(\vec{k}, \vec{v}) e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{v}} \left[f(\vec{k}, \vec{v}) e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}} \right] \right) e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{R}}$$

• as \vec{v} depends on α , ρ depends on \vec{v} , we need to approximate

$$f = f_0 + g \Rightarrow C(f) \approx C(g)$$

• coordinate transformation $\vec{v} \rightarrow \mu, v_{\parallel}, \alpha$ leads to

$$\langle C(g) \rangle = \nu \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial v_{\parallel}} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial v_{\parallel}} + \frac{1}{v_{\parallel}} \right) + 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \left(\frac{\mu}{B} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} + \mu \right) + k_{\perp}^2 \rho_s^2 \right] g, \quad \rho_s = \frac{v_{th}}{\Omega} = \frac{\sqrt{T/m}}{eB/m}$$

What if we include electromagnetic perturbations?

$$\phi \rightarrow \chi = \phi - \vec{v} \cdot \vec{A} \quad \begin{array}{l} \hookrightarrow \text{electromagnetic vector potential} \\ \vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A} \end{array}$$

as $\vec{v} = v_{\parallel} \vec{b} + \vec{v}_{\perp}$, and ϕ only appears as $\langle \phi \rangle$

$$\langle \phi \rangle \rightarrow \langle \chi \rangle = \langle \phi \rangle - v_{\parallel} \langle A_{\parallel} \rangle - \langle \vec{v}_{\perp} \cdot \vec{A}_{\perp} \rangle$$

Question: Why $\phi \rightarrow \phi - \vec{v} \cdot \vec{A}$?

Remember Lagrangian for guiding-center dynamics

magnetic fluctuations $\delta \vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A}$

$$\delta \vec{B}_\perp \approx \nabla \vec{A}_\perp \times \vec{b} \rightarrow \delta B_{||} = \vec{b} \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{A}_\perp)$$

Adiabatic Electron Approximation

electron distribution function

$$f_e = N_e(\psi) \left[\frac{m_e}{2\pi T_e(\psi)} \right]^{3/2} e^{-\frac{m_e v^2}{2T_e}} \left(1 - \frac{e\phi}{T_e} \right) + g_e$$

total electron density $n_e = \int f_e d\vec{v} = N_e \left(1 - \frac{e\phi}{T_e} \right) + \int g_e d\vec{v}$

perturbations to background N_e given by

$$\delta n_e = n_e - N_e = \frac{N_e \phi}{T_e} - \int g_e d\vec{v}$$

$$\text{equation for } g_e \Rightarrow \nabla_{\parallel} \nabla_{\parallel} g_e - i(\omega - \omega_{ce}) g_e = \frac{ie}{T_e} \phi (\omega - \omega_{ce}^T) f_0$$

consider $\frac{m_e}{m_i} \ll 1$ such that $k_{\parallel} v_{the}$ larger than $|\omega|$

$$\nabla_{\parallel} \nabla_{\parallel} g_e \text{ dominates} \Rightarrow \nabla_{\parallel} g_e \approx 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta n_e \approx \frac{N_e \phi}{T_e}$$

Close the GK system of equations

equation for $\phi, \delta B_{\parallel}, \delta B_{\perp}$ using Maxwell's eqs

① Poisson's equation \rightarrow quasi-neutrality

$$\nabla^2 \phi = \frac{e(n_e - n_i)}{\epsilon_0} \text{ for small Debye lengths } \lambda_D = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_0 T}{ne^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla^2 \phi \approx 0 \rightarrow n_e \approx n_i \rightarrow \text{but } n = \int f d\vec{v} \text{ not } \int g d\vec{v}!$$

$$n = \int f d\vec{v} = \int f_0 d\vec{v} + \int g d\vec{v} = N \left(1 - \frac{e\phi}{T}\right) + \int g d\vec{v}$$

$$\text{assuming } N_e = N_i \Rightarrow \sum_a \frac{N_e e_a^2}{T_a} \phi = \sum_a e_a \int g_a d\vec{v}$$

How to find $\int g d\vec{v}$ if $g = g(\vec{R}, \epsilon, \mu)$, not $g(\vec{r}, \vec{v})$?

$$\text{Dirac delta trick} \rightarrow \int d\vec{v} = \int \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}') \underbrace{d\vec{r}'}_{\vec{R} - \vec{p}} \underbrace{d\vec{v}'}_{\frac{B d\vec{R} dv_\parallel d\mu d\phi}{m}}$$

This allows us to keep Poisson's equation in \vec{r} coordinates

$$\begin{aligned} \int g d\vec{v} &= \int g \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{R} + \vec{p}) \frac{B}{m} d\vec{R} dv_\parallel d\mu d\phi \\ &= \int d\vec{R} d\vec{R} dv_\parallel d\mu \frac{B}{m} g \delta(\vec{R}) e^{i\vec{R} \cdot (\vec{r} - \vec{R}')} \underbrace{\int \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} e^{i\vec{k}_\perp \cdot \vec{p}(\phi)}}_{\mathcal{Y}_0(\vec{k}_\perp, \vec{p})} \\ &= \int \underbrace{d\vec{R} dv_\parallel d\mu \frac{B}{m} \mathcal{Y}_0(\vec{k}_\perp, \vec{p})}_{= d\vec{v}} g \underbrace{\delta(\vec{r} - \vec{R})}_{\text{set } \vec{r} = \vec{R} \text{ in } g} \\ &= \int \mathcal{Y}_0(\vec{k}_\perp, \vec{p}) g(\vec{r}, \epsilon, \mu) d\vec{v} d\vec{k} \end{aligned}$$

→ Poisson's equation, substituting $\vec{r} \rightarrow \vec{R}$ in Fourier space

$$\sum_a \frac{e_a^2 n_a}{T_a} \phi(\vec{R}) = \sum_a e_a \int \mathcal{Y}_0 g_a d\vec{v}$$

② Ampère's law $\nabla_{\perp} \times \delta \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{j} + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$

displacement current term with $\vec{E} = -\nabla\phi - \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t}$

$$\frac{\text{[3]}}{\text{[4]}} \sim \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\Omega E}{\delta B/L} \sim \frac{\Omega^2 A}{c^2 A/L^2} \sim \frac{\rho^2 \Omega^2}{c^2} \sim \frac{v_{th}^2}{c^2} \ll 1 \quad \text{Non relativistic}$$

using Coulomb gauge $\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = 0 \Rightarrow \nabla_{\perp} \times \delta \vec{B} = -\nabla_{\perp}^2 \vec{A}_{\perp} + \nabla_{\perp} \delta B_{\parallel}$

Parallel component: $-\nabla_{\perp}^2 A_{\parallel} = \mu_0 \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha} \int d\vec{v} v_{\parallel} g_{\alpha}$

Perpendicular component: $\nabla_{\perp} \delta B_{\parallel} = \mu_0 \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha} \int d\vec{v} \langle \vec{B} \times \vec{v} \rangle_{\perp} g_{\alpha}$
introduces \mathcal{J}_{\perp}

Alternative form of the nonlinear gyrokinetic equation
in (v_{\parallel}, μ) velocity space coordinates

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial t} + v_{\parallel} \nabla_{\parallel} g + \langle v_x \rangle \cdot \nabla g + \vec{v}_d \cdot \nabla g - \mu \nabla_{\parallel} B \frac{\partial g}{\partial v_{\parallel}} = \frac{\partial \langle x \rangle}{\partial t} f_0 - \langle v_x \rangle \cdot \nabla f_0 + \langle c \rangle$$

Poisson bracket formulation of $\langle \vec{V}_E \rangle \cdot \nabla g$

$$\langle \vec{V}_E \rangle = \vec{b} \times \nabla(\frac{1}{B}\phi) \rightarrow \langle \vec{V}_E \rangle \cdot \nabla g = \vec{b} \times \nabla(\frac{1}{B}\phi) \cdot \nabla g$$

in an orthogonal coordinate system (x, y, z)

$$\text{with } \vec{b} = \hat{z}, \nabla = \hat{x} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{y} \frac{\partial}{\partial y}$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \vec{V}_E \rangle \cdot \nabla g = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} = \{ \phi, g \}$$

(in more complicated geometries there might be coefficients)

Magnetic Geometry and Choice of Coordinates

Use Clebsch representation
for \vec{B} (always valid)

$$\vec{B} = \nabla \psi \times \nabla \alpha$$
$$\Rightarrow \vec{E}_\perp = k_\alpha \nabla \alpha + k_\psi \nabla \psi$$

where does geometry come in?

$$B = B(\psi, \alpha, z)$$

field line following
coordinate

8 terms

$$\textcircled{1} B, \textcircled{2} (\vec{b} \cdot \nabla) z, \textcircled{3} |\nabla \psi|^2, \textcircled{4} |\nabla \alpha|^2, \textcircled{5} \nabla \psi \cdot \nabla \alpha$$

$$\textcircled{6} (\vec{b} \times \nabla B) \cdot \nabla \alpha, \textcircled{7} (\vec{b} \times \nabla B) \cdot \nabla \psi, \textcircled{8} (\vec{b} \times \vec{k}) \cdot \nabla \alpha$$

(equal to $(\vec{b} \times \nabla \psi)$)

example: $\vec{v}_d \cdot \nabla g \rightarrow (\vec{b} \times \nabla \ln B) \frac{v_z^2}{2\Omega} \cdot (\nabla \alpha \frac{\partial g}{\partial \alpha} + \nabla \psi \frac{\partial g}{\partial \psi} + \nabla z \frac{\partial g}{\partial z})$

$(\vec{b} \times \nabla B) \cdot \nabla \alpha$ term

in straight field line
coordinates (ψ, θ, ϕ)

$$\rightarrow \alpha = \theta - L\phi$$

rotational transform

$$\psi = \int dV \vec{B} \cdot \nabla \phi \text{ (toroidal flux)}$$

What is a flux tube?

Minimize computational cost
using less grid points, only
simulating a flux tube
(given location and slope)

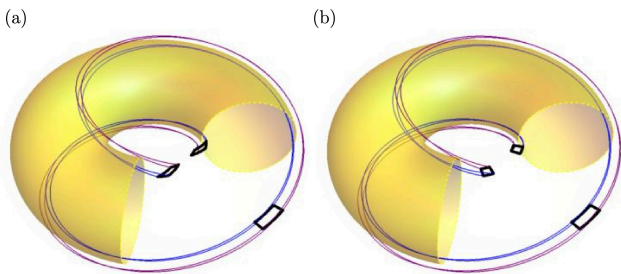
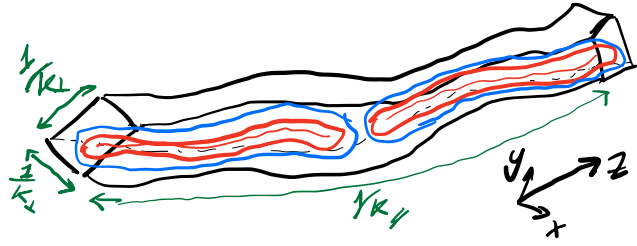


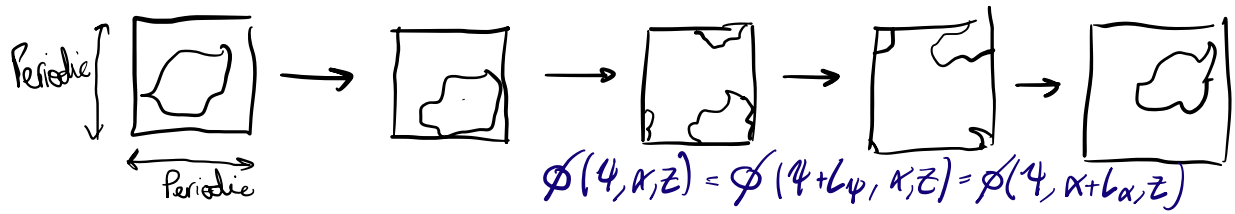
Figure 1. The boundaries of two local simulation domains (thin blue and purple lines): (a) a conventional flux tube and (b) a non-twisting flux tube. Both are one poloidal turn long. Note that at the outboard midplane, both flux tubes have a rectangular cross-section (thick black). However, away from the outboard midplane the cross-section of the conventional flux tube is twisted into a parallelogram, while the non-twisting flux tube remains rectangular. Also shown is the central flux surface of the flux tube (transparent yellow) with a toroidal wedge removed for visual clarity.

Ball & Brunner, arXiv 2012.04705

Turbulence is anisotropic
 Reduce cost by $P_+^2 \sim 10^{-4}$



Assume "Statistical Periodicity" in x, y i.e., (ψ, α)



this allows us to work in Fourier space and implement $\mathcal{Y}_0(k_\perp, p)$ more accurately

Parallel direction: long enough flux tube so that "turbulence can't see the edge of the box"

• Twist-and-shift boundary condition

in tokamaks, fluctuations should be similar for poloidal angles $\theta \rightarrow \theta + 2\pi N$, at every angle z
 $\phi(\theta + 2\pi N) = \phi(\theta)$, as $\alpha = z - q\theta$

in Fourier space $\phi \sim e^{ik_x \nabla \alpha + ik_y \nabla \psi}$

leading to $[k_x]_{z=\pi N} = [k_x]_{z=-\pi N}$

quantization on the perpendicular aspect ratio of the domain \rightarrow magnetic shear influences boundary conditions

$$\frac{L_x}{L_y} = \frac{\text{integer } l}{2\pi N |S|}$$

$$\rightarrow \text{shear } \hat{S} = \frac{4}{9} \frac{dq}{d\psi}$$

W7-X at $S = \frac{4}{9} \frac{dq}{d\psi} = 0.35$, $\hat{S} = 0.019 \rightarrow \frac{L_x}{L_y} = 8.1 \cdot l$

(Not ~~to~~ be confused with local magnetic shear $S = \bar{B} \cdot \nabla \left(\frac{\nabla \psi \cdot \nabla \alpha}{|\nabla \psi|^2} \right)$)

- Improved boundary condition in M. Martin et al, arXiv 1803.09049

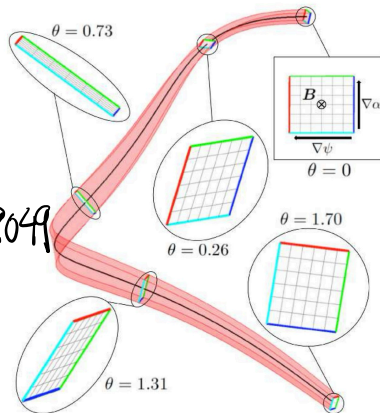


FIG. 5: (Color online) 3D visualization of the $\alpha = 0$ W7-X flux tube in the field-line-following coordinates (ψ, α, z)



FIG. 6: (Color online) 3D visualization of the $\alpha = 0$ flux tube domain in real space superimposed on the flux surface

Normalized coordinates (x, y)
 measuring the distance from the
 field line at the centre of the
 flux tube (ψ_0, α_0)

$x = \frac{dx}{d\psi}(\psi - \psi_0)$ GS2 code = $L_{ref}(s - s_0)$
 $y = \frac{dy}{d\psi}(\psi - \psi_0)$ GS2 code = $L_{ref} \sqrt{15}(\alpha - \alpha_0)$
 Constant on a field line $S = \psi/\psi_N$

• equilibrium quantities

$$N(\psi) = N(\psi_0) + \frac{dN}{d\psi}(\psi - \psi_0)$$

constant

Quantities from MFC → equilibrium code, similar to DESC

- cylindrical toroidal angle ζ
- poloidal angle $\theta_r \rightarrow \theta_p = \theta_r + L$
- straight field line poloidal angle θ_p (PEST)

field line label
 $\alpha = \theta_r + L - L\zeta$

MFC outputs → $L, B, B^0 = \vec{B} \cdot \nabla \psi, B^3 = \vec{B} \cdot \nabla \zeta, B_s = \vec{B} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial s}, B_\theta = \vec{B} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial \theta}, B_z = \vec{B} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial \zeta}$
 as a function of (s, θ_r, ζ)

Jacobian $\sqrt{J} = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial s} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial \theta_r} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial \zeta} = \frac{1}{\nabla s \cdot (\nabla \theta_r \times \nabla \zeta)}$

Take parallel coordinate z
 angle ζ → gradpar = $L_{ref} \frac{B^3}{B} \rightarrow B_{sup}/MFC$

$(\vec{B} \times \nabla B) \cdot \nabla \psi$ using $B_s, B_\perp, B, \sqrt{g}$
qb drift 0, cr drift 0

$$\nabla B = \frac{\partial B}{\partial s} \nabla s + \frac{\partial B}{\partial r} \nabla r + \frac{\partial B}{\partial z} \nabla z$$

$$\vec{B} = B_s \nabla s + B_r \nabla r + B_z \nabla z$$

$$\vec{B} \times \nabla B \cdot \nabla \psi = \frac{d\psi}{ds} \left(B_r \nabla r \cdot \nabla s \frac{\partial B}{\partial s} + B_z \nabla z \cdot \nabla r \frac{\partial B}{\partial r} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\psi_{LCFS}}{\sqrt{g}} \left(B_r \frac{\partial B}{\partial s} - B_z \frac{\partial B}{\partial r} \right)$$

same for other components

How do we numerically solve the GK equation?

Simple form of GK equation

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial t} + A \frac{\partial g}{\partial z} + B g = C \frac{\partial (\phi \phi)}{\partial t} + E (\phi \phi) \quad (\text{linearized})$$

$\sim k_x k_y$ $\sim \omega \sim k_y g$ $\sim \frac{1}{T}$ $\sim \omega^* \sim k_x \lambda$

$$g = g(z, k_x, k_y, \epsilon, V_{||}) \Rightarrow \text{Discretization on every coordinate}$$

stored on a grid: $n_k k_x \times n_k k_y \times n_\epsilon \times n_\lambda$

discretized $\varphi_{i \rightarrow \text{space}}^{n \rightarrow \text{time}} \rightarrow \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} \sim \frac{\varphi_i^{n+1} - \varphi_i^n}{\Delta t}; \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial z} \sim \frac{\varphi_{i+1}^n - \varphi_i^n}{\Delta z}$

GK eq $\rightarrow \underline{A} g^{n+1} + \underline{B} g^n = \underline{D} \varphi^{n+1} + \underline{E} \varphi^n$

Quasilinearity $\rightarrow \underline{E} \varphi^{n+1} = \underline{G} g^{n+1}$

Matrix Multiplication \rightarrow

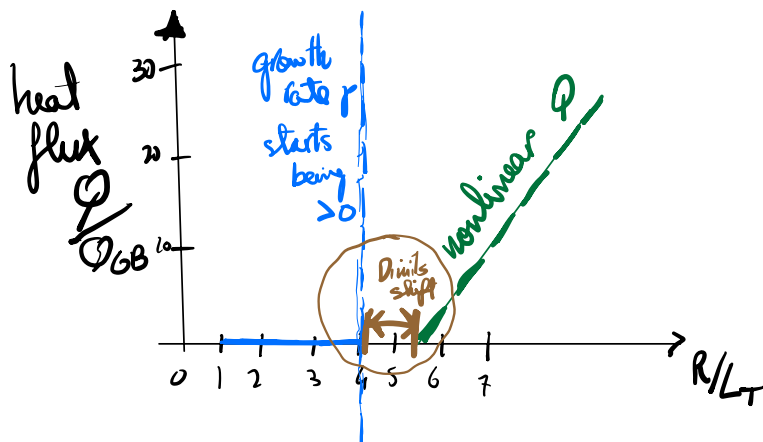
$$\left. \begin{aligned}
 g^{n+1} &= \underline{M}^{-1} (\underline{E} \varphi^n - \underline{B} g^n) \\
 \underline{M} &= (\underline{A} - \underline{D} \underline{G} \underline{E}^{-1} \underline{G})
 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

solution found!!

- Nonlinearity**
- treated explicitly with a CFL condition to keep the step size small enough for stability
 - sum of Fourier components of φ and g

• Interesting fact from nonlinear dynamics

- Dimits Shift
- linear critical gradient (without zonal flows)
 - turbulent critical gradient (with zonal flows)



(if there's time)

Gyrofluid Approach to Gyrokinetics

(gyro-Landau fluid)

can be defined as an n -pole approximation to the plasma distribution function

expand f in Hermite polynomials: $f(x, v, t) = e^{-\frac{v^2}{v_{th}^2}} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{N_l(x, t)}{2^l l!} H_l\left(\frac{v}{v_{th}}\right)$

$$H_l^{(v)} = (-1)^l e^{v^2} \frac{d^l}{dv^l} (e^{-v^2})$$

example: $\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + v \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 0 \Rightarrow f = f_N(v) e^{ik(x-vt)}$ called free streaming

because $f \sim \sin(kvt) \Rightarrow$ it becomes extremely oscillatory in v for large t



density decay } $n = \int f dv = e^{ikx} \boxed{e^{-k^2 t^2 / 4}} \rightarrow 0$
via phase-mixing } energy flows to higher moments,

$$\textcircled{1} \text{ with Hermiticity } \Rightarrow \frac{\partial N^l}{\partial t} + v_{th} \left(l \frac{\partial N^{l-1}}{\partial x} + \frac{l}{2} \frac{\partial N^{l+1}}{\partial x} \right) = 0$$

- infinite set of coupled equations
- closure approximations needed

take $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}$, Fourier transform x , normalize time to $\frac{1}{k v_{th}}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 N^l}{\partial t^2} + l(l-1) N^{l-2} + (l+\frac{1}{2}) N^l + \frac{N^{l+2}}{4} = 0$$

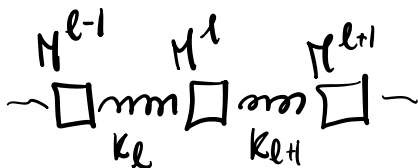
scale $N^{2l} = (-1)^l z^l (2l-1)!! \bar{N}^l$, $l!! = l(l-2)(l-4)\dots 3 \cdot 1$

Infinite set of spring masses coupled to its nearest neighbors with masses M_{l-1} and M_{l+1} and spring constant k_l and k_{l+1}

$$M_l \frac{d^2 \bar{N}^l}{dt^2} = k_{l+1} (\bar{N}^{l+1} - \bar{N}^l) - k_l (\bar{N}^l - \bar{N}^{l-1})$$

$$M_l = \frac{(2l)!}{4^l (l!)^2} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi l}}, \quad k_l = 2l\pi l \sim \sqrt{\frac{l}{\pi}} \quad \text{speed of oscillation} = \sqrt{\frac{k_l}{m}} = \sqrt{l}$$

analytic solution $N^l = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} H_0 e^{-v^2} dv = z^l e^{-(k v_{th} t)^2 / 2}$



initial density perturbation

↓
perturbation of the first mass of the system

Truncation $\bar{N}^{MAX} = 0 \rightarrow$ fixed wall reflecting the energy back to lower moments
 wave reaches l^{th} moment ($\frac{l}{2}$ mass) at $t = \sqrt{l} / k v_{th}$

Need damping before reaching the wall

collision operator $\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + v \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = C(f) = \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \left(\nu f + \nu_{th}^2 \frac{\partial f}{\partial v} \right)$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial N^l}{\partial t} + \nu_{th} \left(l \frac{\partial N^{l-1}}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial N^{l+1}}{\partial x} \right) = -\nu \downarrow N^l$$

Phase-mixing competing driving of back to a Maxwellian with

damping increases with l

Alternative: Hammett-Perkins closure

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + v \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \frac{e}{m} E \frac{\partial f}{\partial v} = 0 \xrightarrow[\text{linearizing}]{\text{Fourier-Laplace}} \delta f = \frac{e \delta \phi}{m} \frac{\partial f_0 / \partial v}{v - \omega/k}$$

consider $f_0 = n_0 \frac{e^{-v^2/2\nu_{th}^2}}{\sqrt{\pi} \nu_{th}}$

$$\delta N^3 = \int \delta f H_3(v) e^{-v^2/2\nu_{th}^2} dv \sim A_1 \delta \phi$$

$$\delta N^2 = \int \delta f H_2(v) e^{-v^2/2\nu_{th}^2} dv \sim A_2 \delta \phi$$

$$\delta \phi = -i \nu_{th} n_0 \nu_{th} \delta T \chi\left(\frac{\omega}{\nu_{th}}\right)$$

for Heat flux and temperature

$$\delta N^3 = \frac{A_1}{A_2} \delta N^2$$

similar to plasma dispersion function

$$\chi(x) = \frac{i(2x^3 - 3x)Z(x) + 2x^2 - 2}{(2x^2 - 1)Z(x) + 2x}, \quad Z(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-t^2}}{t-x} dt, \quad Z(0) = i\sqrt{\pi}$$

Cyrofluid equations $\frac{dN^l}{dt} = S(N^l, N^{l+1}, N^{l-1}, \phi)$