

Zonal Flow Generation:

k-space and configuration space perspectives.

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I.) Brief Overview
(from plasma perspective)

II.) k-space view point \rightarrow energetics
- inverse cascade "blocking" (Rhines)
* - modulational interaction

III.) Real space viewpoint \rightarrow $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{momentum;} \\ \text{optical structure} \end{array} \right.$
aka! Cherny - Ozin theorems

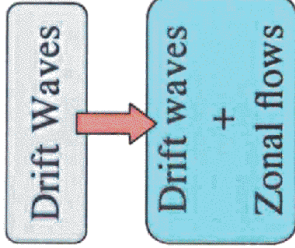
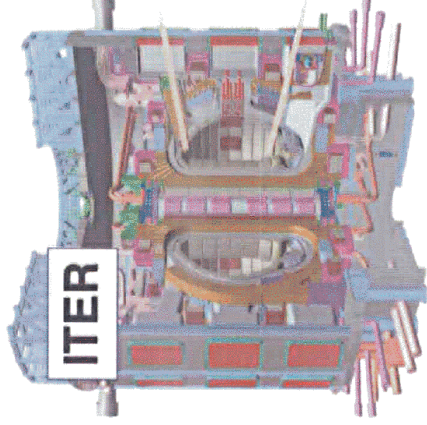
cf.

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(on Wiki)

K. Itoh, et. al.; AOP 106

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What is a zonal flow?



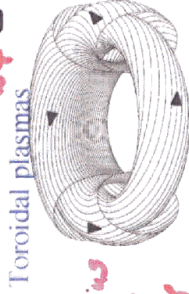
Paradigm Change

ZFs are "mode", but:

1. Turbulence driven
2. No linear instability
3. No direct radial transport

minimal: viscosity damping transport

Ω_e large Ω_T - Lorentz Dominant



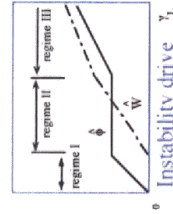
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla_{\perp}^2 \phi + [\phi, \nabla_{\perp}^2 n] = a_{\parallel} (\phi - n) + \mu_c \nabla_{\perp}^4 \phi$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} n + [\phi, n] = a_{\parallel} (\phi - n) - \frac{\partial n}{\partial y} + D_c \nabla_{\perp}^2 n$$

Thermal Rossby waves, ...

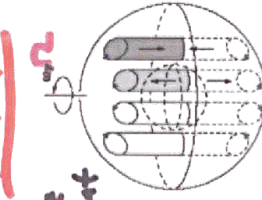
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla_{\perp}^2 \phi + [\phi, \nabla_{\perp}^2 \phi] = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\phi \phi - RT) + \nabla_{\perp}^4 \phi$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} T + [\phi, T] = -\frac{1}{p} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} + \frac{1}{p} \nabla_{\perp}^2 T$$



$V \sim \rho_i \frac{c_s}{L}$
Asymmetry: ion-electron diamagnetic drift

Models



Coriolis Dominant $\uparrow \omega \Omega$

Planetary zonal flow

Rossby waves

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla_{\perp}^2 \psi - \psi) + [\psi, \nabla_{\perp}^2 \psi] - \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} = 0$$

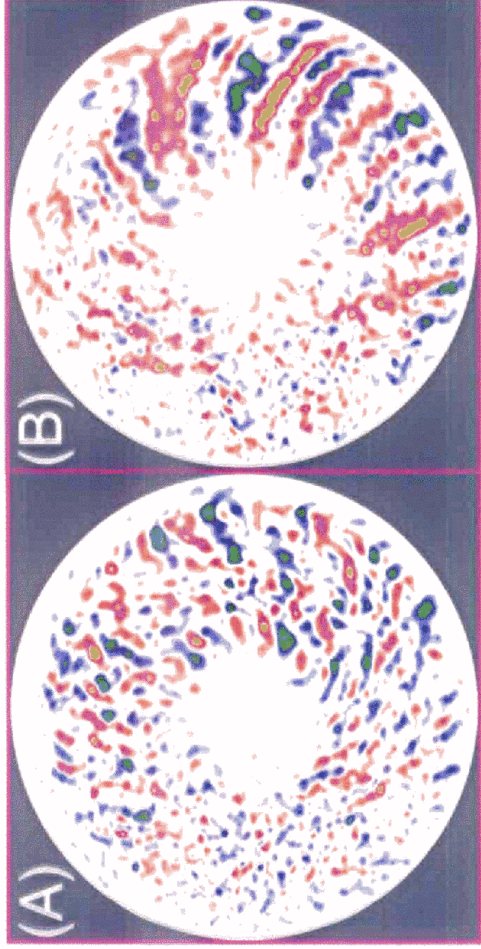
Q.S. Eqn.

→ 'Hasegawa-Mima' Eqn.

$$V \sim \left| \frac{\partial \omega F_z}{\partial x} \right| \sim 50 \text{ m sec}^{-1}$$

East-west asymmetry

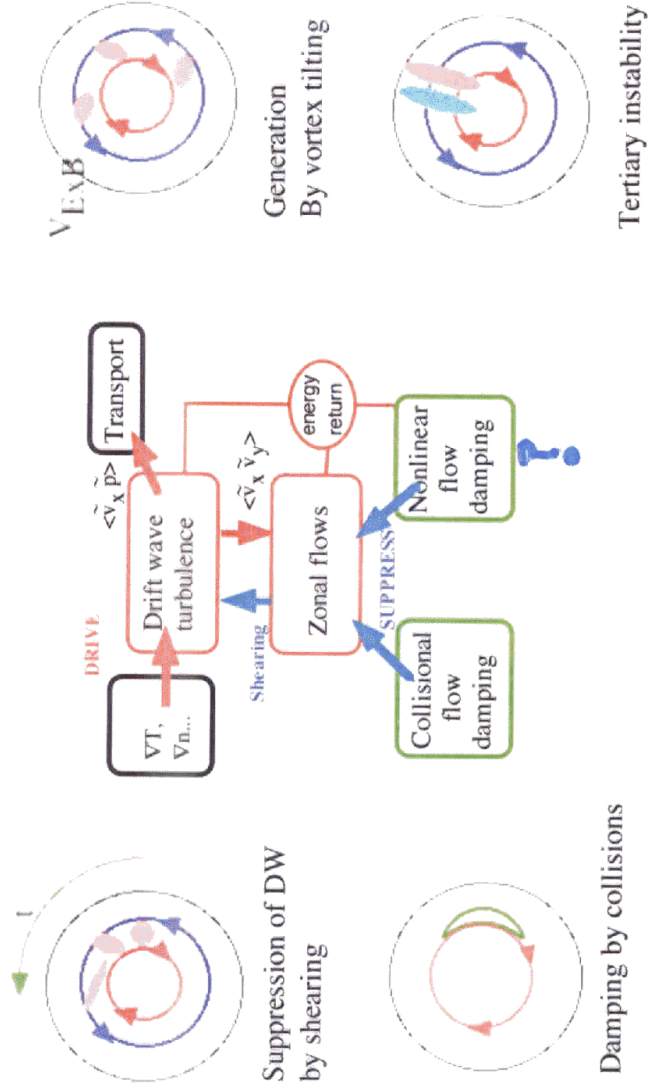
Gyrokinetic Simulations of Plasma Microinstabilities: turbulence decorrelation by zonal flows



With Flow **Without Flow**

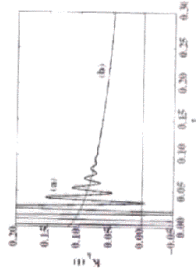
Turbulence reduction via sheared plasma flow (A), compared to case with flow suppressed (B).
 [Z. Lin *et al.*, **Science** 281, 1835 (1998)]

Basic Physics of a zonal flow



Linear Damping of Zonal Flows { key region for transition to drag }

Neoclassical process

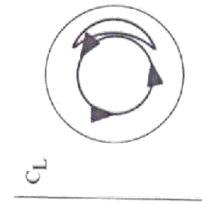


Rosenbluth-Hinton

undamped flow - survives for $\tau > \tau_{transport}$

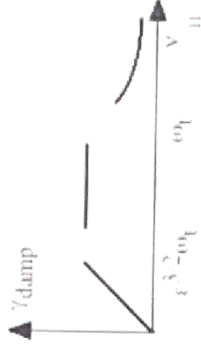
$$\frac{\phi_q(t)}{\phi_q(0)} = \frac{1}{1 + 1.6\epsilon - 1/2q^2}$$

Role of bananas



Frictional damping

Banana-plateau transition

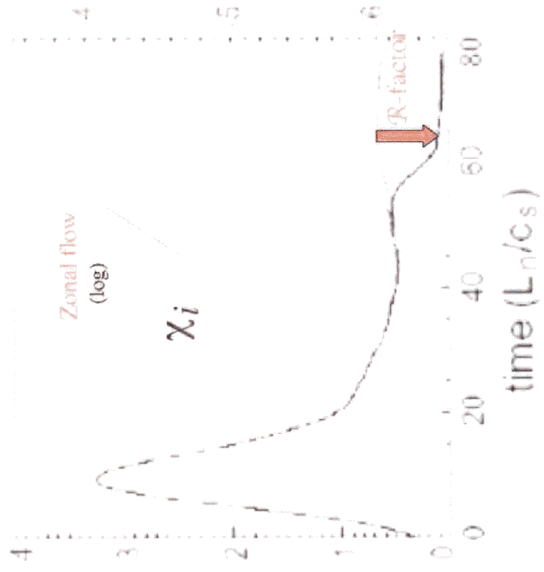
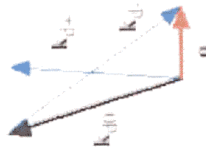


$$\gamma_{damp} \approx \nu_{ii}/\epsilon \Rightarrow \chi_i \propto \nu_{ii} \text{ even in "collisionless" regime}$$

Screening effect if $q_r \rho_p \sim O(1)$

Growth Mechanism

ZFs by modulational instability



Numerical experiment indicates instability of finite amplitude gas of drift waves to zonal shears

Impt: Z.F. not unique self-formation mechanism

Generation Mechanisms:

→ inverse cascade ('blocking')

→ modulational interaction

and implications

• Origin of Zonal Flows → Rhines Mechanism
 (the classic)

→ important contrast

MFE applications

broader dynamic range → 3-5 dkds } wave turbulence
 $Re \gtrsim 1$ } waves weakly dispersive

GFD / Planetary Atmospheres

huge dynamic range } 20 turbulence
 $Re \gg \gg 1$ } Rossby waves
 } zonal flows/jets
 ∴ { waves strongly dispersive

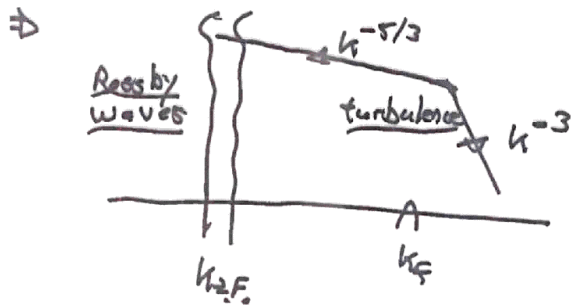
MFE ⇔ zonal flow emerges as unstable modulation of wave ensemble

GFD ⇔ zonal flow emerges from 'blocking' of inverse cascade by dispersion

i.e. for each k → $\begin{cases} \omega_k \\ \Delta\omega_k \sim 1/\tau_{ch} \end{cases}$

$$\langle \phi(k) \phi(k') \rangle_k = |\phi_k|^2 e^{-i\omega_k(t-t')} e^{-\Delta\omega_k(t-t')}$$

then: $\omega_B = \rho k_x / k^2$
 $1/\tau_{ch} \approx k \tilde{V}_H$ $v_H^2 \sim \alpha^{2/3} k^{-7/3}$



turbulence: $1/\tau_{ch} \gg \omega_B \rightarrow$ "eddies"
 waves: $1/\tau_{ch} \ll \omega_B \rightarrow$ "waves"

cross-over \Rightarrow Rhines scale $k_R \sim \beta^{3/5} / \alpha^{1/5} \leftrightarrow$ characteristic Z.F. scale

Why?

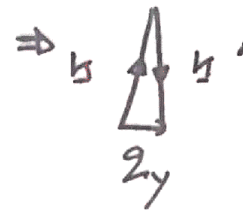
- \rightarrow for $k < k_R$
 - wave dynamics
 - difficult to match $\omega_B + \omega_B + \omega_B = 0$
- \leftrightarrow dispersion ...

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\therefore energy flux barrier at $k = k_R$ due dispersion blocking of transfer

\rightarrow but resolve: 3 waves \rightarrow 2 waves + 1 Z.F.

Z.F.: $k_x = 0$
 $\omega_B = 0$ } allow easy match



\rightarrow thin, isoceler triads carry energy for $k \lesssim k_R$

\rightarrow zonal flows appear at k_R

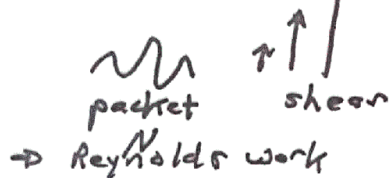
\rightarrow spectrum changes..... slope..... *energy accum. in flow*

\rightarrow k_R effects, emergence of Z.F.'s must ultimately alter self-similar inverse cascade feeding....

\Rightarrow does large scale damping leave footprint on inv. cascade?

Origin of Zonal Flows \rightarrow Modulation { Wave Turb. + Ad. Th. }

- back-of-envelope
 \rightarrow wave energy
 \rightarrow adiabatic invariant
 $\mathcal{E} = N\omega$
 refraction \rightarrow Reynolds work



$$\frac{d\mathcal{E}}{dt} = N v_{gx} \frac{dk_x}{dt} = N v_{gx} (-k_y v_y')$$

where: $\frac{d}{dt}(\mathcal{E} + v_y^2) = \text{dissipn...}$

Key: adiabatic invariant \rightarrow models of stresses
 - slightly larger envelope:

$$\frac{d\mathcal{E}}{dt} = (\langle N \rangle + \tilde{N}) v_{gx} (-k_y (\langle v_y \rangle' + \tilde{v}_y'))$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\langle \mathcal{E} \rangle}{dt} = -k_y \langle \tilde{v}_y' \tilde{N} \rangle v_{gx}$$

For \tilde{N} : WKE { evolves adiabatic invariant - wave population density }

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial N}{\partial t} + (\omega + v_y) \cdot \nabla N &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\omega + k_0 v_E) \cdot \frac{\partial N}{\partial k} \\ &= \gamma_N N + C(N) \end{aligned}$$

Mean field approach

quasi-linear calculation \Rightarrow

$$-k_y \langle \tilde{v}_y' \tilde{N} \rangle = -D_k \frac{d\langle N \rangle}{dk_x}$$

key process:

$$D_k = \sum_z \left[\frac{k_y^2 |\tilde{v}_{z,y}|^2 \tilde{T}_{k,z}}{(1 + \tilde{T}_{k,z}^2 v_{gz}^2)} \right] \rightarrow \begin{cases} k_x \text{-diffusivity} \\ \text{random refraction} \\ \Leftrightarrow \text{chaotic rays} \end{cases}$$

n.b. { as in usual QLT, requires only stochastic rays, not stochastic flow shears }

$$\text{and} \frac{d}{dt} \left\{ \int dk \langle \mathcal{E}_k \rangle + \int dz |\tilde{v}_z|^2 \right\} = 0, \text{ to dissip.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\langle \mathcal{E}_k \rangle}{dt} = \frac{2k v_{gz}^2}{(1+k^2 v_{gz}^2)^2} D_k \frac{\partial \langle \Omega_k \rangle}{\partial k_x}$$

Pot. Enst. density spectrum

(usual): $\partial \langle \Omega_k \rangle / \partial k_x < 0 \rightarrow \langle \mathcal{E}_k \rangle < 0$
 (no population inv.) \rightarrow flows excited from waves
 $\partial \langle \Omega_k \rangle / \partial k_x > 0 \rightarrow$ flows damped.

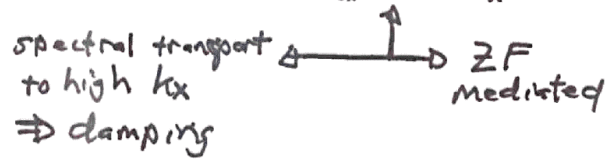
- converting to Z.F. growth:

$$\gamma_2 = -2\gamma^2 C_0^2 \sum_n \frac{k_y^2 \langle \tilde{\phi}^2 \rangle}{(1+k_y^2 C_0^2)^2} \left\{ \frac{\gamma_0}{k_y Z} / (1+\gamma^2 \gamma_{k_y}^2) \right\} k_x \frac{\partial \langle N \rangle}{\partial k_x}$$

→ Regulation Feedback - shearing

mean field $\langle N \rangle$ eqn:

$$\frac{\partial \langle N \rangle}{\partial t} = \gamma_k N + C(N) + \frac{\partial}{\partial k_x} D_k \frac{\partial \langle N \rangle}{\partial k_x}$$



with coupling to:

$$\frac{\partial |\phi_2|^2}{\partial t} = \gamma_2 \langle N \rangle |\phi_2|^2 - \nu |\phi_2|^2$$

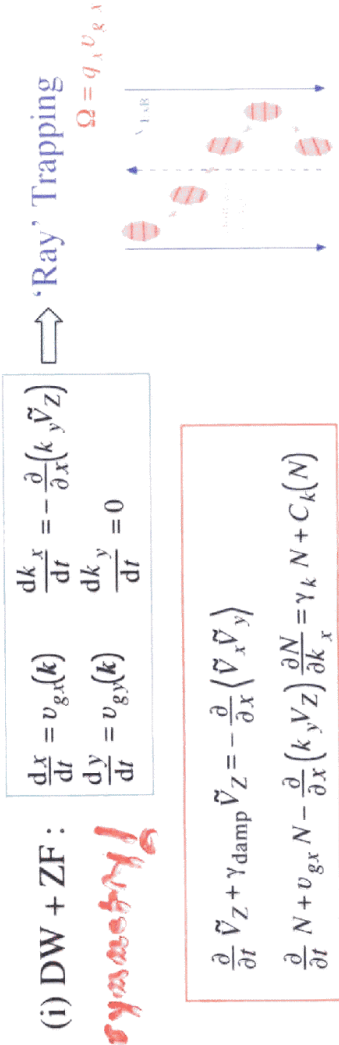
+ transport, i.e. $\gamma_k = \gamma_k[\sigma p]$

$$Q = -\chi[\langle N \rangle, |\phi_2|^2] \sigma p$$

etc.

Motivating the theory...

Close Relationship: DW + ZF and Vlasov Plasma



(ii) 1D Vlasov Plasma: $\frac{dx}{dt} = v$ $\frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{e}{m} E$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial x} = 4\pi n_0 e \int dv f$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + v \frac{df}{dx} + \frac{e}{m} E \frac{\partial f}{\partial v} = C(f)$$



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Note: Conservation energy between ZF and DW

RPA equations

$$\text{DW} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\tilde{V}_{\text{DW}}|^2 + \sum_{\mathbf{k}} (\gamma_{L,\mathbf{k}} + C_{\mathbf{k}}(N)) |\tilde{V}_{\text{DW},\mathbf{k}}|^2 = \frac{2}{B^2} \sum_{\mathbf{q}} \int d^2k \frac{q_x^2 k_y^2 k_x |V_{\text{ZF},\mathbf{q}}|^2}{(1+k_{\perp}^2 \rho_s^2)^2} R(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}) \frac{\partial(N)}{\partial k_x}$$

$$\text{ZF} \quad \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \gamma_{\text{damp}} \right) |V_{\text{ZF}}|^2 = -\frac{2}{B^2} \sum_{\mathbf{q}} \int d^2k \frac{q_x^2 k_y^2 k_x |V_{\text{ZF},\mathbf{q}}|^2}{(1+k_{\perp}^2 \rho_s^2)^2} R(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}) \frac{\partial(N)}{\partial k_x}$$

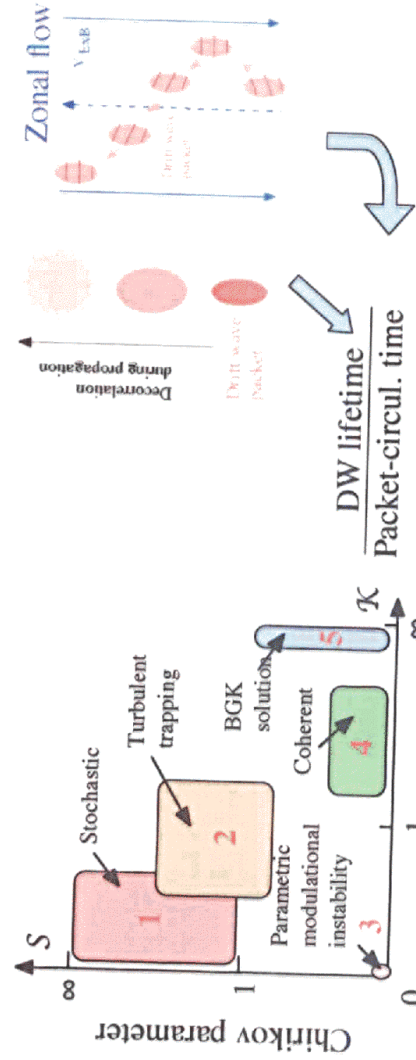
Coherent equations — Pump (\bar{B})

$$\text{DW} \quad \frac{dP^2}{d\tau} = P^2 - 2P Z S \cos(\Psi) \quad (S \text{ beat wave})$$

$$\text{ZF} \quad \frac{dZ^2}{d\tau} = -\frac{\gamma_{\text{damp}}}{\gamma_L} Z^2 + 2P Z S \cos(\Psi)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} W_d \Big|_{\text{by ZF}} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} W_{\text{ZF}} \Big|_{\text{by DW}}$$

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Regime Keywords

- 1 k_{\perp} Diffusion
- 2 Turbulent trapping
- 3 Single wave modulation
- 4 Reductive perturbation
- 5 DW trapping in ZF

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Self-regulating System Dynamics

Simplified Predator-Prey model

$$\text{DW} \quad \frac{\partial \langle N \rangle}{\partial t} = \gamma_L \langle N \rangle - \gamma_2 \langle N \rangle^2 - \alpha \langle U^2 \rangle \langle N \rangle$$

$$\text{ZF} \quad \frac{\partial \langle U^2 \rangle}{\partial t} = -\gamma_{\text{damp}} \langle U^2 \rangle + \alpha \langle U^2 \rangle \langle N \rangle$$

Cyclic bursts

$$\gamma_2 \rightarrow 0$$

(No self damping)

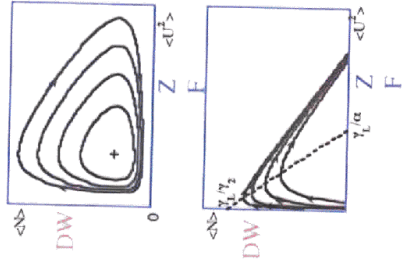
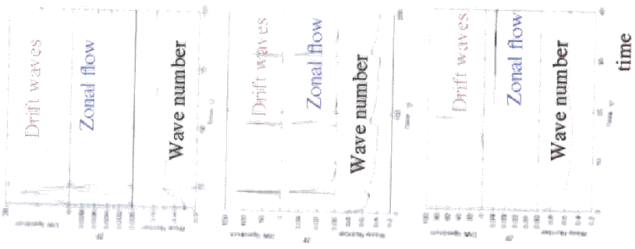
Single burst
(Limits shift)

$$\gamma_{\text{damp}} \rightarrow 0$$

(No ZF friction)

transport quenched

Stable fixed point



Self-regulation: Co-existence of ZF and DW

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$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} W_d = \gamma [\nabla R_0 \dots] W_d - \alpha W_d W_{ZF} \quad W_d : \text{drift wave energy}$$

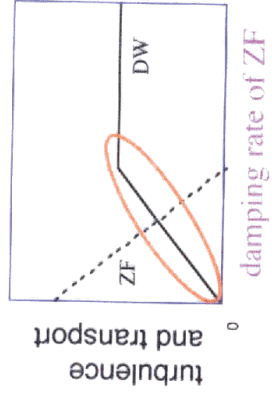
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} W_{ZF} = \gamma_{\text{damp}} [\dots] W_{ZF} + \alpha W_d W_{ZF} \quad W_{ZF} : \text{zonal flow energy}$$

$\left[\begin{matrix} \nu_0, \eta, \epsilon \\ \text{geometry} \end{matrix} \right] \left[+ \text{rf, etc.} \right]$

$$W_d \sim \frac{\gamma_{\text{damp}}}{\alpha}$$

Transport coefficient

$$\chi_i \sim \frac{\gamma_{\text{damp}}}{\omega_{\text{eff}}} \chi_{\text{GB}} \Leftrightarrow \chi_i = \mathcal{R} \chi_{\text{GB}} \quad \text{"R-Factor"}$$



damping rate of ZF

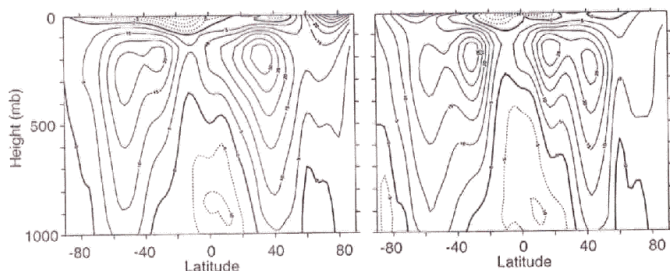
Co-Existence
Confinement Enhancement
Includes other reduction effects
(i.e., cross phase)

II.) Atmospheric Jets (c.f. G. Vallis '06)

→ persistent feature in atmospheric wind pattern

← westward mid-latitude jet

→ eastward sub-tropical jet



subtropical:

- ∇T driven merid.

mid-latitude:

- less structure, shear

→ How does dipole shear form?

- symmetry breaking?

- structure?

→ Minimalist Understanding

- subtropical excitation \Rightarrow wave radiation

- outgoing waves $\Rightarrow \phi \sim e^{ik_y y} \rightarrow 0$
 $y \rightarrow \infty$
 $\omega \rightarrow \omega - c\gamma$

$$\delta k_y = c\gamma / v_{gr_y} \quad v_{gr_y} = \frac{2\beta k_x k_y}{(k^2)^2} > 0$$

$k_x k_y > 0$

- but momentum flux

$$\langle \tilde{v}_y \tilde{v}_x \rangle = - \sum_{\mathcal{Y}} k_y k_x |\Phi_n|^2 < 0$$

Key Point: Energy Radiation

↔ Momentum Convergence

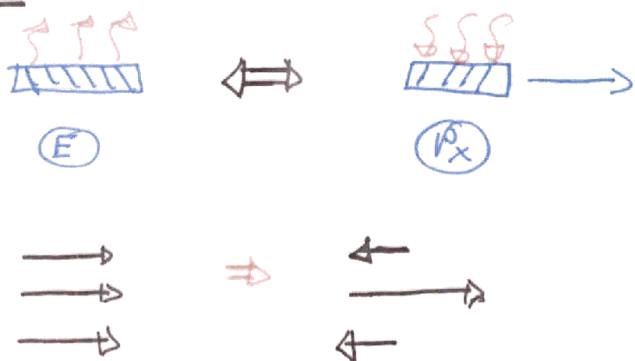
- Rossby waves "backward"

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→ cont'd

Energy Radiation ↔ Momentum Convergence

- e.g.



- form dipole via:

- momentum influx locally boosts eastward flow ⇒ subtropical jet
- resulting momentum deficit generates westward mid-latitude jet

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→ Collisionless Saturation of Zonal Flows

- if all collisional drag, diffusion → 0

$$2\{\langle U_0 \rangle - P_0 \rho_s\} = \langle \tilde{v}_r \tilde{n} \rangle - \frac{1}{\langle u \rangle} \partial_r \langle \tilde{v}_r \tilde{u}^2 \rangle$$

⇒ stationarity:

$$\langle \tilde{v}_r \tilde{u}^2 \rangle \sim \int dr \langle \tilde{v}_r \tilde{n} \rangle \langle u \rangle$$

↓ potential enstrophy flux ↓ production by $P_0, \langle u \rangle$

- calculating $\langle \tilde{v}_r \tilde{u}^2 \rangle$ non-trivial
(e.f. Gwinn, P. D., Hahn '06)

- $\langle \tilde{u}^2 \rangle$ not even close to passive tracer
- $\langle \tilde{v}_r \tilde{n}^2 \rangle \neq \langle \tilde{v}_r \tilde{\omega}^2 \rangle$

- What of ZF KH Instability?
 $\langle u \rangle \rightarrow 0$ is signature

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→ Potential Enstrophy Flux

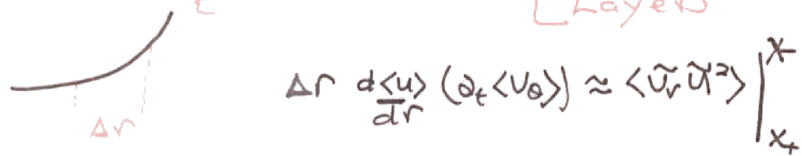
- novel feature: spreading of specific quantity

- origin Z.F. $\left\langle \frac{\tilde{u}^2}{dr} \right\rangle \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Reynolds} \\ \text{Force} \end{array} \right.$

∴ ⇒ transport $\langle \tilde{u}^2 \rangle$ must alter flow (akin J_n in dynamo)

⇒ for levels at MLT, NOT SMALL (with L_E)

- jumps in $\langle \tilde{v}_r \tilde{u}^2 \rangle \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Shear} \\ \text{Layers} \end{array} \right.$



$$\Delta r \frac{d\langle u \rangle}{dr} (\partial_t \langle v_0 \rangle) \approx \langle \tilde{v}_r \tilde{u}^2 \rangle \Big|_{x_+}^{x_-}$$

- feedback loop

a.) seed shear $\rightarrow \Delta \langle \tilde{v}_r \tilde{u}^2 \rangle \rightarrow \partial_t \langle v_0 \rangle \neq 0$

b.) $\langle v_0 \rangle' \rightarrow$ enhanced $\Delta \langle \tilde{v}_r \tilde{u}^2 \rangle$

- especially relevant to edge

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→ Zonal Flow Structure

- stationary, standard regime

$$\langle v_0 \rangle = \frac{1}{r} \left\{ \Gamma_0 - \frac{1}{\partial \langle u \rangle / \partial r} \left(\partial_r \langle \tilde{u}^2 \rangle + \partial_n \langle \tilde{v}_r \tilde{u}^2 \rangle \right) \right\}$$

- exact result; in terms macroscopic

- flow structure $\begin{cases} \nearrow \text{dissipation profile} \\ \searrow \text{enstrophy spreading} \end{cases}$

- Zonal Flow Shear:

$$\langle v_0 \rangle' \cong -\frac{1}{r^2} \Gamma_0 - \frac{1}{r \langle u \rangle'} \left\{ \partial_r \langle \tilde{u}^2 \rangle + \partial_n \langle \tilde{v}_r \tilde{u}^2 \rangle \right\}$$

- shear $\leftrightarrow r'$, $\partial_r \langle \tilde{u}^2 \rangle'$, spreading

- $\langle v_0 \rangle'$ up $\rightarrow \langle \tilde{v}_r \tilde{u}^2 \rangle$ drops \rightarrow
fixed Γ_0 demands $\partial_r \langle \tilde{u}^2 \rangle / \partial r$

∴ collisional $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{particle transport critical} \\ \text{heat} \end{array} \right.$ for flow dynamics near marginal.

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→ "No-slip" Momentum Theorem (H-W)

$$\partial_t \left\{ \langle v_\theta \rangle - \left(-\frac{\langle \tilde{u}^2 \rangle}{d\langle u \rangle/dr} \right) \right\} + r \langle v_\theta \rangle$$

$$= \langle \tilde{v}_r \tilde{\eta} \rangle - \left(\frac{d\langle u \rangle}{dr} \right)^{-1} \left\{ Q_0 \langle (\tilde{u})^2 \rangle + \partial_r \langle \tilde{v}_r \tilde{u}^2 \rangle \right\}$$

↑ driving flux
↑ diffusion
↑ transport of Pot. Enstr.

- no Reynolds modelling ---

- similar QF, but:

$$\langle \tilde{v}_r \tilde{\eta} \rangle = \Gamma_0 + D_0 \frac{d\langle \eta \rangle}{dr}$$

↑ fixed net flux
↑ collisional flux

is driver. → negligible but for ITB, Dimits

- Pseudomomentum $\sim \langle \tilde{u}^2 \rangle$
 independent $k_{||} \gg D_{||} / \lambda_z$, etc.

no restrictions ---

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→ Momentum Theorem

- observe: { 3D system but:
 conserved PV ↔ 2D dynamics

$$\begin{cases} u = \sigma^2 \phi - \eta \\ \frac{du}{dt} = D_0 \sigma^2 u \end{cases} \quad \frac{d\langle u \rangle}{dr} = \frac{d\langle \sigma^2 \phi \rangle}{dr} - \frac{d\langle \eta \rangle}{dr}$$

↑ 2D evolution e.g. n.

- Potential Enstrophy Balance:

$$\partial_t \langle \tilde{u}^2 \rangle + \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \langle \tilde{v}_r \tilde{u}^2 \rangle = - \langle \tilde{v}_r \tilde{u} \rangle \frac{d\langle u \rangle}{dr} - D_0 \langle (\sigma \tilde{u})^2 \rangle$$

(as before)

but:

$$\partial_t \langle v_\theta \rangle = \langle \tilde{v}_r \sigma^2 \tilde{\phi} \rangle - r \langle v_\theta \rangle$$

↑ only vorticity flux evolves zonal flow

- now momentum conservation coupled to transport -----

III.) Zonal Flow Momentum - DWT ^(2.)

→ H-W system ($\perp A = 1$)

$$\frac{dn}{dt} = -D_{||} \nabla_{||}^2 (\phi - n) + D_{\perp} \nabla^2 n$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \nabla^2 \phi = -D_{||} \nabla_{||}^2 (\phi - n) + D_{\perp} \nabla^2 \nabla^2 \phi$$

→ minimal relevant system

- $3D_{||}$ parallel dissipation

- drift wave instabilities

- finite $\langle \tilde{v}_n \tilde{n} \rangle \rightarrow$ transport

→ simple but detailed,
i.e. $k_{||}^2 D_{||} / \omega_{*} > 1$, $\langle n \phi \rangle \neq 0$,
damped modes

→ Zonal Flow structure in H-W \int

→ Meaning? ^(1.)

- Fluid: 2 coupled component $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{zonal flow} \\ \text{quasi-particle flow} \end{array} \right.$

- $\partial_t P_{rel} = \dots \Rightarrow$ "No slip"
except by preferential damping or excitation of one component

- absent \tilde{F} , 0 \Rightarrow can't accelerate
 $\langle v_x \rangle$ with stationary turbulence

→ Stationarity \Rightarrow Dipole

$$\langle v_x \rangle = \frac{1}{rB^*} \left\{ \langle \tilde{F} \tilde{\omega} \rangle - \mu \langle (\nabla \tilde{\omega})^2 \rangle - \partial_y \langle \tilde{v}_y \tilde{\omega}^2 \rangle \right\}$$

forcing region $\sim \langle \tilde{F} \tilde{\omega} \rangle / rB^* \rightarrow$ Eastward jet

viscous damping $\sim \frac{\mu \langle (\nabla \tilde{\omega})^2 \rangle}{rB^*} \rightarrow$ Westward jet
"region (beach)"

10.

→ Extended Charney-Drazin Theorem

(Charney & Drazin '61; Rhines & Holland '79)

$$\partial_t \left\{ \overset{\text{flow}}{\downarrow} \langle V_x \rangle - \left(- \overset{\text{pseudomomentum}}{\downarrow} \frac{\langle \tilde{w}^2 \rangle}{\beta^*} \right) \right\} + r \langle V_x \rangle$$

$$= \overset{\uparrow}{\text{forcing}} \frac{\langle \tilde{F} \tilde{w} \rangle}{\beta^*} - \overset{\uparrow}{\text{viscous damping}} \frac{\mu \langle (\nabla \tilde{w})^2 \rangle}{\beta^*} - \overset{\uparrow}{\text{enstrophy spreading}} \frac{1}{\beta^*} \partial_y \langle \tilde{v}_y \tilde{w}^2 \rangle$$

→ Pseudomomentum ~ Wave Momentum Density (WMD)

- { enstrophy → intensity
- β → orientation
- not tied to weak nonlinearity

→ β effect ⇒ zonal acceleration w/o net momentum input

9.

→ Some Theory

- zonal mean flow

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \langle V_x \rangle &= - \partial_y \langle \tilde{v}_y \tilde{v}_x \rangle - r \langle V_x \rangle \\ &= \langle \tilde{v}_y \tilde{w} \rangle - r \langle V_x \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Reynolds Force ↔ Vorticity Flux (Taylor, '15)

- Vorticity Flux ↔

Enstrophy Balance

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \langle \tilde{w}^2 \rangle + \partial_y \langle \tilde{v}_y \tilde{w}^2 \rangle + \beta \langle \tilde{v}_y \tilde{w} \rangle \\ = \langle \tilde{F} \tilde{w} \rangle - \mu \langle (\nabla \tilde{w})^2 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

ie. Reynolds Force → Production via { vorticity flux, ∇⟨w⟩ }

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- Zonal Momentum Linked to Enstrophy Balance

Configuration Space Approach?

Coming Attractions:

S. Tobias on

"Jet Formation in MHD"

→ Tachocline discussion, next week.