

Self-consistent turbulence modeling on magnetic reconnection

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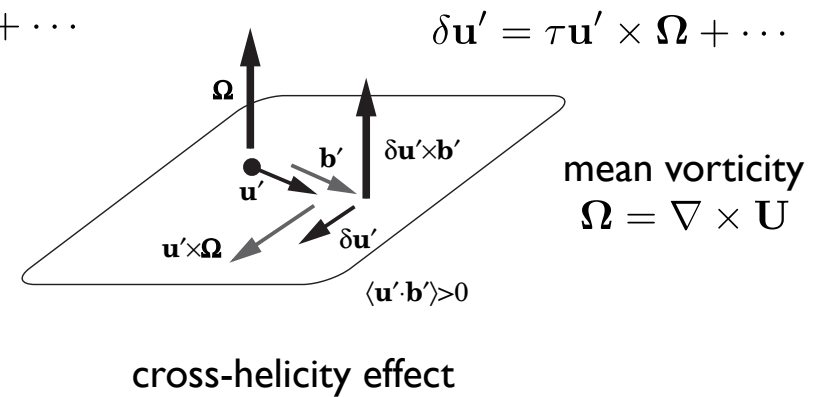
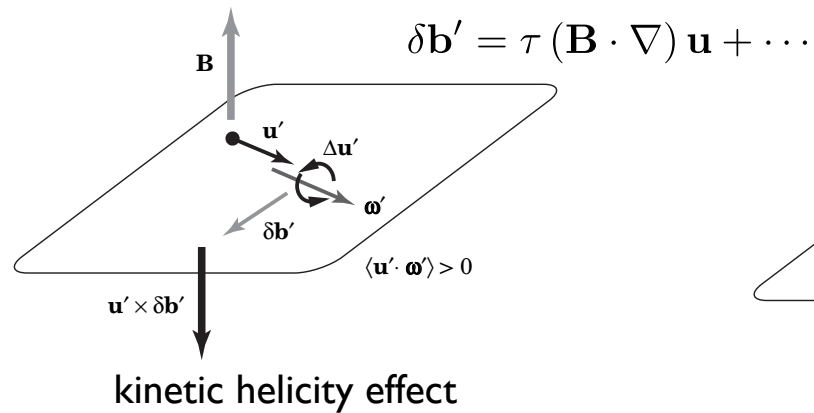
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- Cross-helicity effects
- Transport enhancement and suppression
- A self-consistent model
- Numerical simulation

α and cross-helicity effects

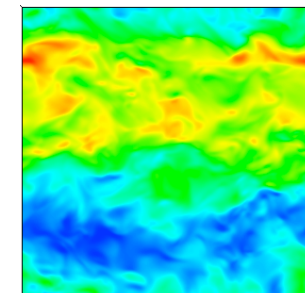
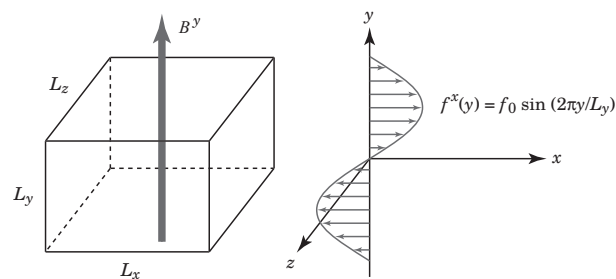
(Yokoi, GAFD **107**, 114, 2013)



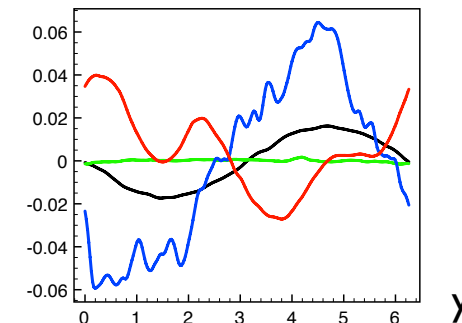
$$\langle \mathbf{u}' \times \mathbf{b}' \rangle = \underbrace{\alpha \mathbf{B}}_{\alpha \text{ dynamo}} - \underbrace{\beta \nabla \times \mathbf{B} + \gamma \nabla \times \mathbf{U}}_{\text{cross-helicity dynamo}}$$

	$\langle \mathbf{u}' \times \mathbf{b}' \rangle$	—
helicity	$\alpha \mathbf{B}$	—
energy	$-\beta \mathbf{J}$	—
cross helicity	$\gamma \boldsymbol{\Omega}$	—

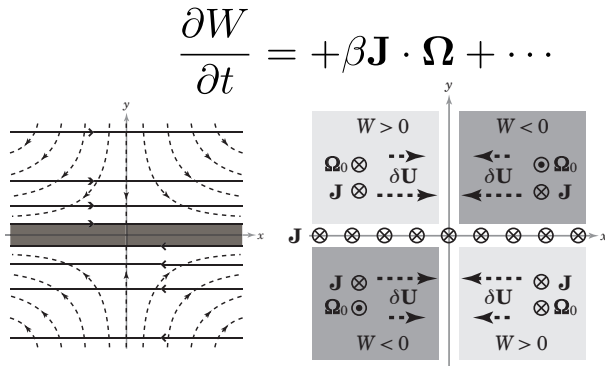
Test using DNS (Yokoi & Balarac, 2011)



streamwise velocity



Cross-helicity distribution



(Yokoi & Hoshino, PoP, 2011)

Transport enhancement and suppression

turbulent electromotive force

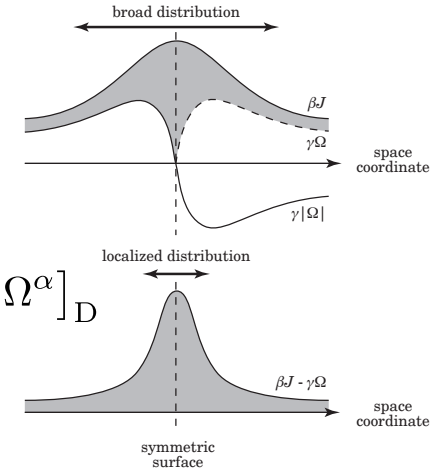
$$\langle \mathbf{u}' \times \mathbf{b}' \rangle = -\beta \mathbf{J} + \gamma \mathbf{\Omega} + \alpha \mathbf{B}$$

Reynolds (+ turb. Maxwell) stress

$$\begin{aligned} & [\langle u'^\alpha u'^\beta - b'^\alpha b'^\beta \rangle]_D \\ &= -\nu_K \mathcal{S}^{\alpha\beta} + \nu_M \mathcal{M}^{\alpha\beta} + [\Gamma^\alpha \Omega^\beta + \Gamma^\beta \Omega^\alpha]_D \end{aligned}$$

$\mathcal{S}$: mean velocity strain

$\mathcal{M}$: mean magnetic strain



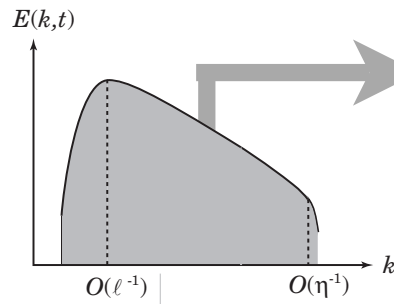
Self-consistent model

mean fields

$$\bar{\rho}$$

$$\mathbf{U}$$

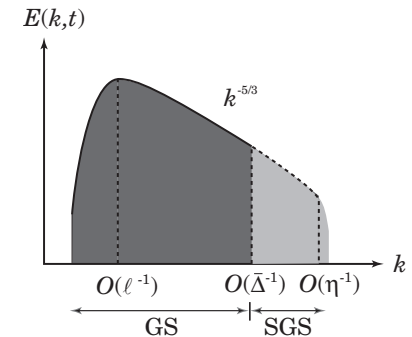
$$\mathbf{B}$$



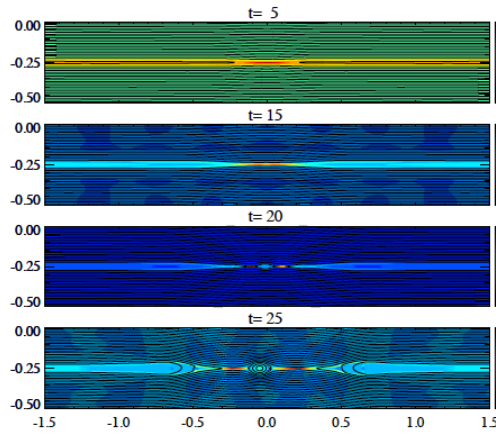
turbulent statistical quantities

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} K &\equiv \frac{1}{2} \langle \mathbf{u}'^2 + \mathbf{b}'^2 \rangle \\ \varepsilon &\equiv \nu \left\langle \left(\frac{\partial u'^a}{\partial x^b} \right)^2 \right\rangle + \lambda \left\langle \left(\frac{\partial b'^a}{\partial x^b} \right)^2 \right\rangle \\ W &\equiv \langle \mathbf{u}' \cdot \mathbf{b}' \rangle \\ [K_R &\equiv \frac{1}{2} \langle \mathbf{u}'^2 - \mathbf{b}'^2 \rangle] \\ [\varepsilon_W &\equiv (\nu + \lambda) \left\langle \frac{\partial u'^a}{\partial x^b} \frac{\partial b'^a}{\partial x^b} \right\rangle] \\ [H &\equiv \langle -\mathbf{u}' \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega}' + \mathbf{b}' \cdot \mathbf{j}' \rangle] \end{aligned} \right.$$

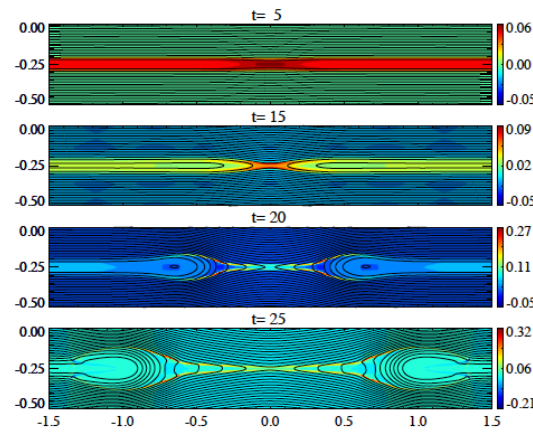
Extension to LES
is straightforward



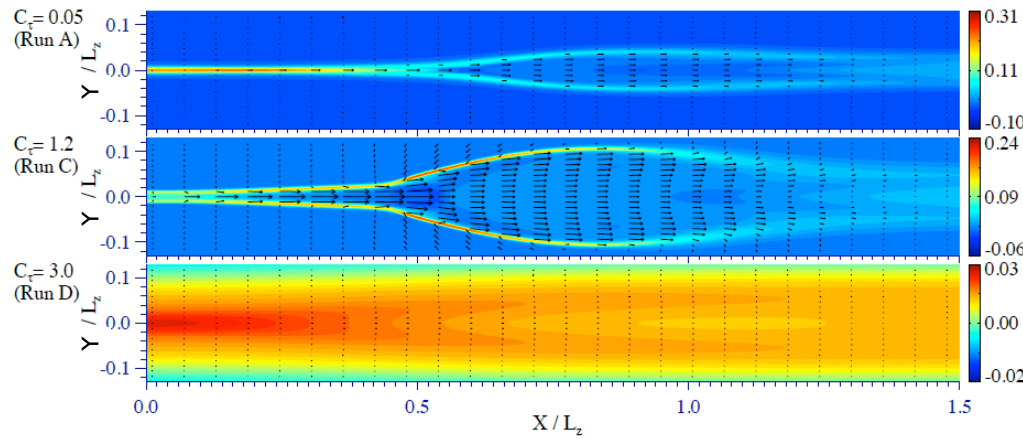
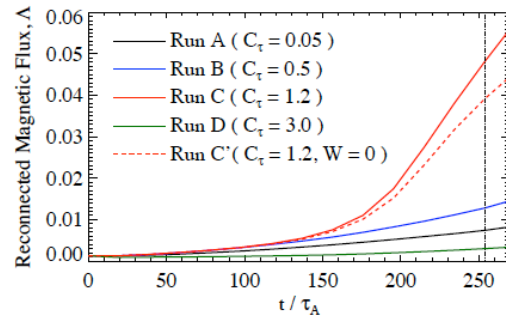
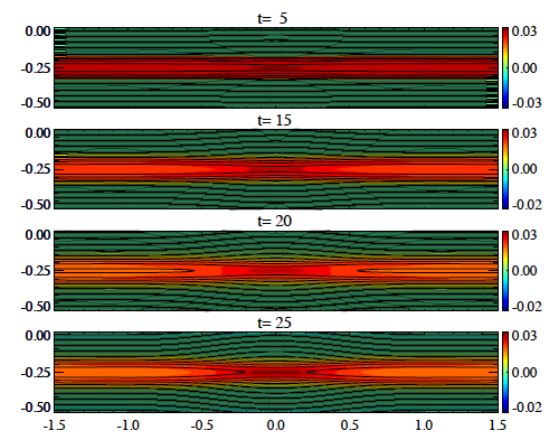
laminar reconnection



turbulent reconnection

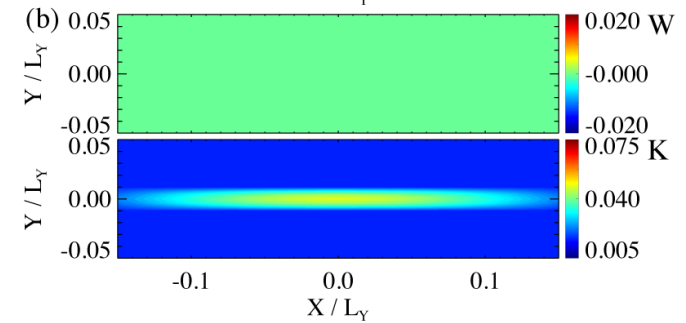
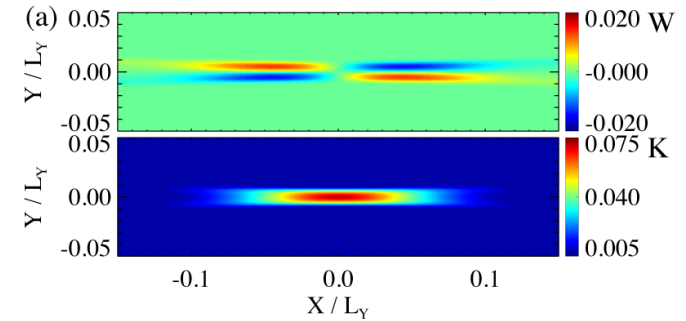


turbulent diffusion



(Higashimori, Yokoi & Hoshino, 2013)

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Basic equations to solve

Mean fields

4th-order Runge-Kutta scheme in time
4th-order centered difference in space

$$\frac{\partial \bar{\rho}}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot (\bar{\rho} \mathbf{U})$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\bar{\rho} \mathbf{U}) = -\nabla \cdot \left[\bar{\rho} \mathbf{U} \mathbf{U} - \mathbf{B} \mathbf{B} + \left(p + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{B}^2 \right) \mathcal{I} \right]$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{p}{\gamma - 1} + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\rho} \mathbf{U}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{B}^2 \right) = -\nabla \cdot \left[\left(\frac{\gamma}{\gamma - 1} p + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\rho} \mathbf{U}^2 \right) \mathbf{U} + \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B} \right]$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = -\nabla \times \mathbf{E}$$

$$\mathbf{E} = -\mathbf{U} \times \mathbf{B} + \eta \mathbf{J} - \tau (W \boldsymbol{\Omega} - K \mathbf{J})$$

Turbulent quantities

$$\beta = \tau K \quad \frac{\partial K}{\partial t} = -\mathbf{U} \cdot \nabla K + \tau K \mathbf{J}^2 - \tau W \boldsymbol{\Omega} \cdot \mathbf{J} + \mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla W - \frac{K}{\tau}$$

$$\gamma = \tau W \quad \frac{\partial W}{\partial t} = -\mathbf{U} \cdot \nabla W + \tau K \boldsymbol{\Omega} \cdot \mathbf{J} - \tau W \boldsymbol{\Omega}^2 + \mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla K - C_W \frac{W}{\tau}$$

with K. Higashimori & M. Hoshino, 2013

Initial Conditions

Adiabatic index: $\gamma = 5/3$

Initial plasma beta (inflow region) : $\beta_0 = 0.5$

Boundary conditions: Periodic in both X and Y

Number of grids: 2048 x 512

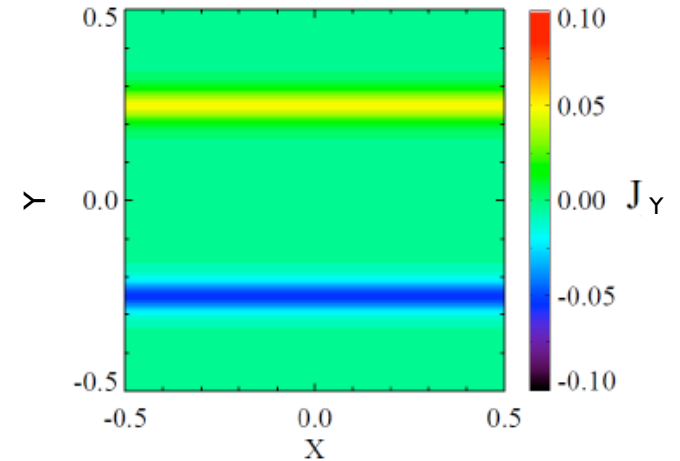
$\mathbf{U} = 0$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{e}_x B_{x0} \left[\tanh\left(\frac{y}{\delta}\right) - \tanh\left(\frac{y - 0.5L_y}{\delta}\right) - 1 \right] \\ + \mathbf{e}_y B_{y0} \sum_{m=1}^{10} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi m x}{L_x}\right)$$

$$B_{y0}/B_{x0} = 1.0 \times 10^{-3} \quad \delta = 0.02L_y$$

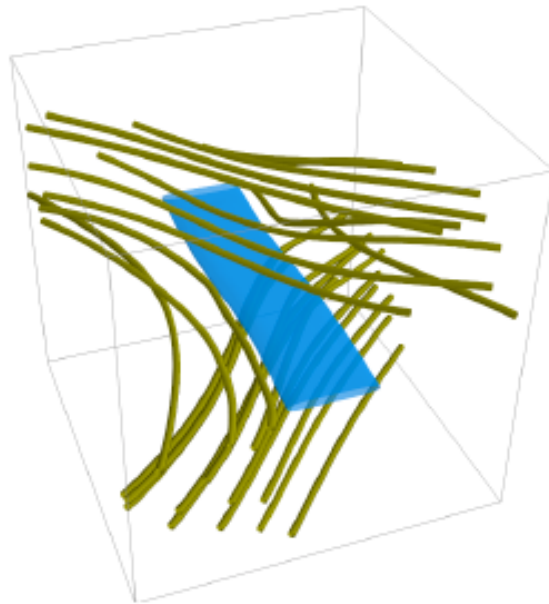
with small magnetic field perturbation in order to initiate reconnection

$W = 0$

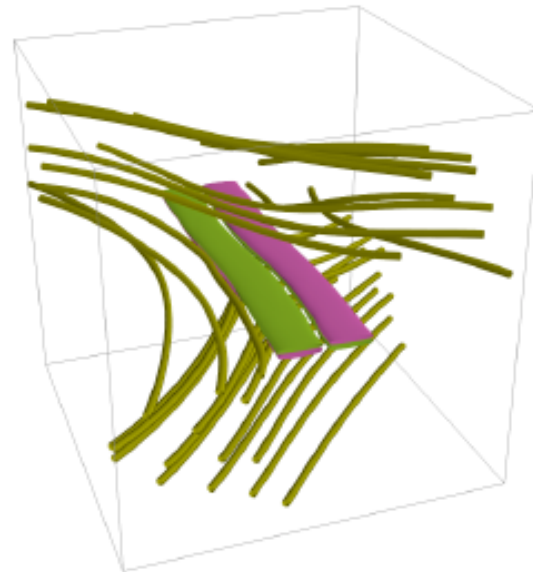


Only the portion of the simulation box $Y < 0$, are shown in the results.

3D simulation



Turbulent energy



Turbulent cross helicity

Mean fields

$$\frac{\partial \bar{\rho}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\bar{\rho} \mathbf{U}) = -\nabla \cdot \langle \rho' \mathbf{u}' \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \bar{\rho} U^\alpha + \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a} \bar{\rho} U^a U^\alpha = & -\frac{\partial P}{\partial x^\alpha} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\alpha} \mu \mathcal{S}^{a\alpha} + (\mathbf{J} \times \mathbf{B})^\alpha \\ & - \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a} \left(\bar{\rho} \langle u'^a u'^\alpha \rangle - \frac{1}{\mu_0} \langle b'^a b'^\alpha \rangle + U^a \langle \rho' u'^\alpha \rangle + U^\alpha \langle \rho' u'^a \rangle \right) + R_U^\alpha, \end{aligned}$$

$$\left[R_U^\alpha = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle \rho' u'^\alpha \rangle - \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a} \langle \rho' u'^a u'^\alpha \rangle - \frac{1}{2\mu_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\alpha} \langle \mathbf{b}'^2 \rangle \right]$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{P}{\gamma_s - 1} + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\rho} \mathbf{U}^2 + \frac{1}{2\mu_0} \mathbf{B}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\rho} \langle \mathbf{u}'^2 \rangle + \frac{1}{2\mu_0} \langle \mathbf{b}'^2 \rangle + \langle \rho' \mathbf{u}' \rangle \cdot \mathbf{U} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} = & -\nabla \cdot \left[\left(\frac{\gamma_s}{\gamma_s - 1} P + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\rho} \mathbf{U}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\rho} \langle \mathbf{u}'^2 \rangle + \langle \rho' \mathbf{u}' \rangle \cdot \mathbf{U} \right) \mathbf{U} \right. \\ & \left. + \left\langle \left(\frac{\gamma_s}{\gamma_s - 1} p' + \bar{\rho} \mathbf{U} \cdot \mathbf{u}' + \frac{1}{2} \rho' \mathbf{U}^2 \right) \mathbf{u}' \right\rangle + \frac{\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}}{\mu_0} \right] + R_E, \end{aligned}$$

$$\left[R_E = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle \rho' \mathbf{u}'^2 \rangle - \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2} \langle \rho' \mathbf{u}'^2 \rangle \mathbf{U} + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\rho} \langle \mathbf{u}'^2 \mathbf{u}' \rangle + \langle \rho' \mathbf{u}' \cdot \mathbf{U} \mathbf{u}' \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \langle \rho' \mathbf{u}'^2 \mathbf{u}' \rangle + \frac{\langle \mathbf{e}' \times \mathbf{b}' \rangle}{\mu_0} \right) \right]$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = -\nabla \times \mathbf{E}$$

$$\mathbf{E} = -\mathbf{U} \times \mathbf{B} + \eta \mathbf{J} - \mathbf{E}_M$$

$$\mathcal{S}^{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\partial U^\beta}{\partial x^\alpha} + \frac{\partial U^\alpha}{\partial x^\beta} - \frac{2}{3} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{U} \delta^{\alpha\beta}$$

Turbulent statistical quantities

$$\frac{D}{Dt} \langle \rho'^2 \rangle = -2 \langle \rho' \mathbf{u}' \rangle \cdot \nabla \bar{\rho} - 2 \langle \rho'^2 \rangle \nabla \cdot \mathbf{U}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{D}{Dt} \frac{1}{2} \langle \mathbf{b}'^2 \rangle = & -\frac{\mu_0}{2} \langle \mathbf{u}' \times \mathbf{b}' \rangle \cdot \mathbf{J} + \langle b'^a b'^b \rangle \frac{\partial U^a}{\partial x^b} - \frac{1}{2} \langle u'^a b'^b \rangle \left(\frac{\partial B^b}{\partial x^a} + \frac{\partial B^a}{\partial x^b} \right) \\ & - \langle \mathbf{b}'^2 \rangle \nabla \cdot \mathbf{U} - \varepsilon_b + T_b \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{D}{Dt} \frac{1}{2} \langle \mathbf{u}'^2 \rangle = & -\frac{1}{2\bar{\rho}} \langle \mathbf{u}' \times \mathbf{b}' \rangle \cdot \mathbf{J} - \langle u'^a u'^b \rangle \frac{\partial U^a}{\partial x^b} + \frac{1}{2\mu_0 \bar{\rho}} \langle u'^a b'^b \rangle \left(\frac{\partial B^b}{\partial x^a} + \frac{\partial B^a}{\partial x^b} \right) \\ & - (\gamma_s - 1) \frac{1}{\bar{\rho}} (\langle \rho' \mathbf{u}' \rangle \cdot \nabla Q + \langle q' \mathbf{u}' \rangle \cdot \nabla \bar{\rho}) - \frac{1}{\bar{\rho}} \langle \rho' \mathbf{u}' \rangle \cdot \frac{D\mathbf{U}}{Dt} - \varepsilon_u + T_u \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{D}{Dt} \langle \mathbf{u}' \cdot \mathbf{b}' \rangle = & -\langle \mathbf{u}' \times \mathbf{b}' \rangle \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega} - \frac{1}{2} \left\langle u'^a u'^b - \frac{1}{\mu_0 \bar{\rho}} b'^a b'^b \right\rangle \left(\frac{\partial B^b}{\partial x^a} + \frac{\partial B^a}{\partial x^b} \right) + \mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{u}'^2 \right\rangle \\ & - (\gamma_s - 1) \frac{1}{\bar{\rho}} (\langle \rho' \mathbf{b}' \rangle \cdot \nabla Q + \langle q' \mathbf{b}' \rangle \cdot \nabla \bar{\rho}) \\ & - \langle \mathbf{u}' \cdot \mathbf{b}' \rangle \nabla \cdot \mathbf{U} - \frac{1}{\bar{\rho}} \langle \rho' \mathbf{b}' \rangle \cdot \frac{D\mathbf{U}}{Dt} - \varepsilon_W + T_W \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{D\varepsilon}{Dt} = C_{\varepsilon 1} \frac{\varepsilon}{K} P_K - C_{\varepsilon 2} \frac{\varepsilon}{K} \varepsilon + \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{\nu_K}{\sigma_\varepsilon} \nabla \varepsilon \right)$$

Mean induction equation

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\mathbf{U} \times \mathbf{B} + \underline{\mathbf{E}_M}) + \eta \nabla^2 \mathbf{B}$$

Turbulence

$$\mathbf{E}_M = -\beta \mathbf{J} + \alpha \mathbf{B} + \gamma \boldsymbol{\Omega}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B}_0 + \delta \mathbf{B}, \quad \mathbf{J} = \mathbf{J}_0 + \delta \mathbf{J}$$

Reference $\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}_0}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\mathbf{U} \times \mathbf{B}_0) + \nabla \times (\alpha \mathbf{B}_0 - \beta \nabla \times \mathbf{B}_0)$

Modulation $\frac{\partial \delta \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\mathbf{U} \times \delta \mathbf{B}) - \nabla \times \left[\beta \nabla \times \left(\delta \mathbf{B} - \frac{\gamma}{\beta} \mathbf{U} \right) \right]$

$$\longrightarrow \quad \delta \mathbf{B} = \frac{\gamma}{\beta} \mathbf{U} = C_W \frac{W}{K} \mathbf{U} \quad \frac{|W|}{K} = \frac{|\langle \mathbf{u}' \cdot \mathbf{b}' \rangle|}{\langle \mathbf{u}'^2 + \mathbf{b}'^2 \rangle / 2} \leq 1$$

c.f. $\nabla \times \left(\frac{\gamma}{\beta} \mathbf{U} \right) = \frac{\gamma}{\beta} \nabla \times \mathbf{U} + \nabla \left(\frac{\gamma}{\beta} \right) \times \mathbf{U}$

Mean momentum equation

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{U}}{\partial t} = \mathbf{U} \times \boldsymbol{\Omega} + \mathbf{J} \times \mathbf{B} - \underbrace{\nabla \cdot \mathcal{R}}_{\text{Turbulence}} + \mathbf{F} - \nabla \left(P + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{U}^2 + \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{b}'^2 \right\rangle \right)$$

$$\mathbf{J} = \sigma (\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{U} \times \mathbf{B} + \underbrace{\mathbf{E}_M}_{\text{Turbulence}}) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{R}^{\alpha\beta} = \frac{2}{3} K_R \delta^{\alpha\beta} - \nu_K \mathcal{S}^{\alpha\beta} + \nu_M \mathcal{M}^{\alpha\beta} \\ \mathbf{E}_M = -\beta \mathbf{J} + \alpha \mathbf{B} + \gamma \boldsymbol{\Omega} \end{array} \right.$$

Mean Lorentz force $\mathbf{J} \times \mathbf{B} = \frac{1}{\beta} (\mathbf{U} \times \mathbf{B}) \times \mathbf{B} + \frac{\gamma}{\beta} \boldsymbol{\Omega} \times \mathbf{B} - \frac{1}{\beta} \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t} + \nabla \varphi \right) \times \mathbf{B}$

$$\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{U}_0 + \delta \mathbf{U}, \quad \boldsymbol{\Omega} = \boldsymbol{\Omega}_0 + \delta \boldsymbol{\Omega}$$

Reference $\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\Omega}_0}{\partial t} = \nabla \times \left[\mathbf{U}_0 \times \boldsymbol{\Omega}_0 + \nu_K \nabla^2 \mathbf{U}_0 + \mathbf{F} - \frac{1}{\beta} \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t} + \nabla \varphi \right) \times \mathbf{B} \right]$

Modulation $\frac{\partial \delta \boldsymbol{\Omega}}{\partial t} = \nabla \times \left[\left(\delta \mathbf{U} - \frac{\gamma}{\beta} \mathbf{B} \right) \times \boldsymbol{\Omega}_0 + \nu_K \nabla^2 \left(\delta \mathbf{U} - \frac{\gamma}{\beta} \mathbf{B} \right) \right]$

$$\longrightarrow \quad \delta \mathbf{U} = \frac{\gamma}{\beta} \mathbf{B} = C_\gamma \frac{W}{K} \mathbf{B} \quad \frac{|W|}{K} = \frac{|\langle \mathbf{u}' \cdot \mathbf{b}' \rangle|}{\langle \mathbf{u}'^2 + \mathbf{b}'^2 \rangle / 2} \leq 1$$