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MHHD Equilibrium and stability

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The study in which the behavior of a lot of charged particles (plasmas) is treated as motion (dynamics) of a group (fluid) taking interaction between the group and magnetic/electric field into account.

Hydrodynamics;

The fluid consists of a lot of particles. Each particle is in the different position in the real space and the velocity space.

When we study the properties, we do not care each particle's property and we characterize it by using "density", "temperature", "pressure", "velocity", "electric charge density" and "current" as the averaged value with some kind of "weigh". And we analyze the averaged values when we study the fluid properties.

"MHD equilibrium and stability" means the force balance and the stability from view point of "MagnetoHydroDynamics"

What is the study of MHD equilibrium and stability?



MHD equilibrium study;

Does plasma move or not **when plasma is softly put in** the bottle made of the magnetic field? Is the bottle crushed? What is the condition for plasma not to move?

MHD stability study;

Does plasma in the bottle made of the magnetic field move or not when plasma is slightly pushed? Does the whole of it or the part of it moves? What is the condition for plasma to stay?

Moving plasma leads to the source of the magnetic field => Situation is very complicated.

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MHD equil. study = Study of Bottle of mag. field (mag. configuration)



Good magnetic surfaces improve insulation between plasmas and wall



=> Diamag. current; source of changing mag. field from vacuum

In thermal equilibrium state (collisional and steady state); Distribution func. is isotropic, and gauss func. in the velocity (Maxwell distribution func.)

The dispersion is defined by T/m, the average velocity is by **u**,

$$f \propto \exp\left(\frac{m(\mathbf{v}-\mathbf{u})^2/2}{T}\right);$$
 Boltzman constant Omitted

$$N \equiv \int f d\mathbf{v}$$
; Total number of paticles is defined by N
=> $f = N \left(\frac{m}{2\pi T}\right)^{1.5} \exp\left(\frac{m(\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u})^2/2}{T}\right)$

$$\int \frac{m(\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u})^2}{2} f d\mathbf{v} \Longrightarrow \frac{3}{2} NT$$

Energy of particles in the moving coordinate system with **u** (thermal energy)

cf. Relationship between density, temp., press. and velocity of plasma (II)

For simplicity, we consider the pressure under the assumption $\mathbf{u}=0$

The momentum which 1 particle gives a wall $2mv_x$ The number of particles per unit of time which

reach the wall with area size S_x ,

 $v_x S_x n$ (n denote density) Then, the momentum per unit of time (force) by which the wall with area size S_x is pushed,

 $2mv_x^2S_xn$

The pressure, p, corresponds to the above force divided by area size, (here isotropic pressure is assumed)

 $p=2mn < v^2 > /3 = nT$

=> Pressure is density times temp.



Diamag. current in the presence of non-unform mag. field

Condition is achieved in simple torus mag. field (external current flows along z axis)

=>



Insulated plate Hot dense plasma Gradient region External current carrier

Divergence of j is as the below $div \quad j = \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial}{\partial R} \left(R \times R \frac{|\nabla p|}{R_0 B_0} \right) \approx \frac{2\nabla p}{RB} \neq 0$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} + div \quad \mathbf{j} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \frac{d\sigma}{dt} \neq 0$$

The charge appears at torus top and bottom

Time evolution of charge (due to the connection of top and bottom) is necessary to satisfy the charge conservation

Evaluation of PS current (From $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{j} = 0$)

$$\mathbf{j}_{\parallel} = \frac{(\mathbf{j} \cdot \mathbf{B}_{\parallel})\mathbf{B}}{B^{2}}, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{j}_{\parallel} = \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{j_{\parallel}}{B}\mathbf{B}_{\parallel}\right) = \mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla \left(\frac{j_{\parallel}}{B}\right) = B \frac{\partial}{\partial s} \left(\frac{j_{\parallel}}{B}\right) \sim \frac{\partial j_{\parallel}}{\partial s},$$

$$\mathbf{j}_{\perp} = \frac{B^{2} \mathbf{j} - (\mathbf{j} \cdot \mathbf{B}_{\parallel})\mathbf{B}}{B^{2}} = \frac{\mathbf{B} \times \nabla p}{B^{2}},$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{j}_{\perp} = \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{\mathbf{B}_{\parallel}}{B^{2}} \times \nabla p\right) = \nabla p \cdot \nabla \times \left(\frac{1}{B^{2}}\mathbf{B}_{\parallel}\right)$$

$$= \nabla p \cdot \left(-\frac{2}{B^{3}}\nabla B \times \mathbf{B}_{\parallel}\right) = -2\nabla p \cdot \left(\frac{\nabla B \times \mathbf{b}}{B^{2}}\right)$$

$$\nabla p \sim \hat{\mathbf{r}} \frac{\partial p}{\partial r}, \hat{\mathbf{\theta}} \cdot \nabla B \sim B_{0} \frac{\partial}{r\partial \theta} (1 - \varepsilon \cos \theta), \frac{\partial}{\partial s} = \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial s} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} = \frac{t}{2\pi R_{0}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{j}_{\parallel} = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{j}_{\perp} \Longrightarrow \frac{\partial j_{\parallel}}{\partial s} = 2\nabla p \cdot \left(\frac{\nabla B \times \mathbf{b}}{B^{2}}\right)$$

$$\Longrightarrow \frac{t}{2\pi R_{0}} \frac{\partial j_{\parallel}}{\partial \theta} \sim \frac{\partial p}{\partial r} \frac{1}{R_{0}B_{0}} \sin \theta \Longrightarrow j_{\parallel} 2 = 0$$

Current along mag. field line (PS current) increases with press. grad. and decreases with rotational transform, t, and magnetic field strength, B_0 .

Plasma consists of a lot of charged particles (MHD equil. picture based on each particle's motion)

Basis of behavior of charged particles; Drift

Charged particle follows gyro-orbit along the magnetic field line in uniform mag. field w/o elec. field. In non-uniform mag. field and/or with elec. field, it makes the additional motion in perpendicular to mag. field (drift). This is the basis to understand the charged particle behavior.



$Bx \nabla B$ drift

Ion moves in the direction to $\mathbf{Bx} \nabla \mathbf{B}$ due to change of gyro-

radius during gyro-motion.

Direction of elec. drift is opposite.

ExB drift

Ion moves in the direction to **ExB** due to change of velocity during gyro-motion.

Direction of elec. drift is same.

Change of mag. bottle due to plasma I -- based on particle motion --

Plasma cannot be confined by only toroidal mag. field (it moves even when plasma is softly put).



Bx∇Bドリフト

ExBドリフト

A countermeasure

Add the poloidal mag. field $(B_p \neq 0)$ to connect the separated charges in torus-top and bottom due to the mag. filed line.

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Elec. field is reduced, which suppresses ExB drift.

How to produce B_n

Tokamaks; toroidal current is induced. Heliotron/Helical; external coils are helically wound.

<u>Reason</u>

(1) Charge separation occurs due to $Bx \nabla B$ drift.

(2) The charges induce Elec. field

=> Both ion and elec. move to torus outwardly due to ExB drift.



Elec. easily moves because it is light to cancel separated charges.

Change of mag. bottle due to plasma II -- mag. axis moves --



Summary of PS current (from viewpoints of different aspects)

From the viewpoint of fluid and particle, driving mechanism of PS current is reviewed. From both viewpoints, it is indispensable to confine finite pressure plasma.

1. In toroidal mag. configuration (grad B /= 0), only diamag. current does not satisfy div j = 0 condition and charges increase both in the torus top and the bottom. The finite poloidal mag. field in addition to toroidal field is necessary to satisfy div j = 0and PS current appears.

2. In toroidal mag. configuration (grad B /=0), charge separation occurs due to $Bx \nabla B$ drift. In order to suppress ExBdrift due to the charge separation, the poloidal mag. field $(B_p \neq 0)$ is necessary to connect the torus-top and bottom of the mag. filed line. When the charges are cancelled, a current flows in the opposite direction inside and outside of torus, which is PS current's another aspect.

How is poloidal field produced — Helical and Tokamak —



External coils (helical coils) produces poloidal mag. field.

More suitable for steady state operation than tokamak

Construction is difficult because of complicated structure and needs of high accurate alignment.

Japanese scientist poroposed this concept.



Toroidal current produces poloidal mag. field.

For steady state operation, innovative concept on stationary toroidal current drive is necessary.

Construction is rather easy because of simpler structure than helical.

Why can helical coils produce B_p (finite poloidal field) ?



Starting from MHD equations

$\rho \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \right) \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{B} - \nabla p,$	Motion eq.	ρ ; mass density v : fluid velocity
$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{v}) = 0,$	Continuity eq.	<i>p</i> ; pressure
(2) (n)		j ; current density
$\left \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla\right \left \frac{p}{q^{\gamma}}\right = 0,$	State eq.	B ; magnetic field
(0l) (p) F + v × B - m	Ohmelaw	E; electric field
$\mathbf{L} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{D} - \eta \mathbf{j},$	Onms low	η ; resistivity
٦D		γ ; rate of specific heat
$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mathbf{j}, \ \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}, \ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0.$	Maxwell eq.	μ_0 ; space permeability
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Here we consider the MHD equilibrium ($\partial / \partial t = 0$) under the assumption v << v_{th} (v=0). (This assumption is valid in typical fusion plasma)



Starting from MHD equil. eq.





Ex. of change of mag. bottle (mag. structure) due to plasma press.

プラズマ中にはいろんな電流が流れる

1. 反磁性電流

- 2. Pfirsh-Schluter(フィルシュ.シュルター)電流 (MHD平衡が成り立つために必要な電流として 説明済み)
- 3. オーミック電流
- 4. ビーム駆動(大河)電流
- 5. ブートストラップ電流
- 6. その他(電磁波駆動電流など)

これらの電流が、プラズマ閉込め容器(磁場配位)の形状を 変化させる => その影響を定量的に調べることがMHD平衡 研究 閉込め容器の形状が変わればプラズマの閉込め特性も影

響を受けるので、MHD平衡研究は基盤的な研究。



5.ブートストラップ電流の駆動機構(I)

磁場強度に強弱がある時の荷電粒子の運動



電場がゼロで磁場がゆっくり変化している 場の荷電粒子は、運動エネルギーの他に 磁気モーメントが保存する。

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{mv_{//}^{2}}{2} &= E - \mu_{m} B \downarrow 0 \\ E &< \mu_{m} B_{max} \, \mathcal{O}$$
粒子は $B = B_{max} \mathcal{O}$ 領域に到達できない。
$$=> \frac{mv_{//0}^{2}}{2} + \frac{mv_{\perp 0}^{2}}{2} < \frac{mv_{\perp 0}^{2}}{2} \frac{B_{max}}{B_{min}} \\ => z = 0 \mathcal{C}, \left| \frac{v_{//0}}{v_{\perp 0}} \right| < \sqrt{\frac{B_{max}}{B_{min}}} - 1 \, \mathcal{O}$$
荷電粒子は
$$B = B_{max} \mathcal{O}$$
領域に到達する前に磁場の弱い方へ反射される。
$$=>$$
捕捉粒子と呼ばれる粒子が存在する。

$$\mu_{\rm m} \mathcal{O} \mathbf{I} \mathbf{K} \mathbf{I} \mathbf{F} \left(\left| \frac{1}{\Omega} \frac{1}{B} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} \right| <<1 \quad \mathcal{O} \mathbf{I} \mathbf{F} \right)$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t} (m\mathbf{v}) = q(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v}_{\perp} \times \mathbf{B})$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t} \left(\frac{m\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{2}}{2} \right) = q\mathbf{v}_{\perp} \cdot \mathbf{E}$$

$$\Delta W_{\perp} = \int q\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{v}_{\perp} \mathrm{d}t = \int q\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathrm{d}\mathbf{s} = \int q(\nabla \times \mathbf{E}) \cdot \mathrm{n}\mathrm{d}S = q \int \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \cdot \mathrm{n}\mathrm{d}S$$

$$= a \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathrm{n}\mathrm{d}S = a \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} \pi a^{2} = \frac{2\pi}{2\pi} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} q\Omega \rho_{B}^{2} = \Delta B \frac{W_{\perp}}{W_{\perp}}$$

 $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & \partial B \end{vmatrix}$

$$\frac{W_{\perp}}{\Delta B} = \frac{W_{\perp}}{B} \Longrightarrow \mu_m \equiv \frac{W_{\perp}}{B} = \text{const.}$$



5.ブートストラップ電流の駆動機構 (II)



ヘリカルコイルで回転変換(磁場の捩じれ)が生じる理由



 $B_{\theta} \sim cos(L\theta - M\phi), B_{\phi} \sim [1 - \delta cos(L\theta - M\phi)]$ L,Mはそれぞれポロイダル局数,トロイダル周期数 図の例では, L=2.



B₀が正の間はB₀が1より
 小さく、B₀が負の間はB₀
 が1より大きい、つまり、
 B₀が正の間は磁力線は
 方向にあまり進まず、B₀
 が負の間に磁力線は早く前に進む.

こちらのほうが短い, その前の半周期で0方 向に進んだ分, 戻って こない => 磁力線は0方向に選む Index of lecture

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What drives MHD instabilities in magnetized plasmas?

Two driving mechanism are considered.(1) Pressure gradient (pressure driven mode)(2) Plasma current (current driven mode)

(1) =>
appears in both helical and
tokamak plasmas.
Interchange/Ballooning mode
(2) =>

appears in only tokamak plasmas. # Kink/Tearing mode

MHD Stable on not?





Does plasma in mag. bottle move or not when plasma is slightly pushed?

Does the whole of it or the part of it moves? 27

Physical picture of pressure driven instabilities

Unstable conditions; Pressure increases as magnetic field strength increses.



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Physical picture of pressure driven instabilities II

Here we consider a unstable system as analogs of the pressure driven instability.



gravitational instability

destabilizing term;

gravitation and deference of weight between 2 fluids

stabilizing term;

Nothing

pressure driven instabilities in plasma

grad B drift force (magnetic well/hill) deference of pressure (pressure gradient)

field line bending (magnetic shear)₃₀

Physical picture of pressure driven instabilities III



Physical picture of pressure driven instabilities IV

The effect of the magnetic field shear in the radila direction on the ideal interchange mode



rational surface; t=n/m. t; rotational transform =1/q. *n*, *m*; *integer*.

Minor radial outward direction

In order that the perturbation grows over the resonant surface, it is necessary to bend the magnetic field line so that it makes the direction of the field line same with that of the resonant surface.

Unless it bends the field line, the electron motion on the next surfaces cancels the separated charges for the ExB drift.

→

Mag. shear has the stabilizing effet.

The electron moving on a rational surface returns to the exact same position after *n* toroidal turns.

There the charge cancellation due to the electron does not occurs for the resonant modes

Physical picture of pressure driven instabilities V

What is the effect of resistive in pressure driven instability?

Hint!

Charge separation due to **ExB** drift enhances density perturbation

In the rational surface resonated with the wave number of dens. fluc., separated charges cannot be canceled.

=> Den. fluc. with resonated wave numbers grows. (Unstable)





---MHD stability analysis?---

Here we consider several possible mechanical system as analogs of the MHD stability.

In Fig.(a), if the ball is moved a small distance from equilibrium position, it simply oscillates around this point. Even though the ball neverreturns to rest at its equilibrium position, this status is "stable". In Fig.(b), a small perturbation off the top of the hill sets the ball rolling further away from its equilibrium position, this status is "unstable".



There are two methods to analyze the MHD stability.

(1) Analyzing the time evolution of the displacement, $\boldsymbol{\xi}$, in MHD equations, especially momentum equation.

(2) Analyzing the change of the potential energy when a displacement occurs. Since the total energy is conserved in the frictionless system, when the kinetic energy increases, the potential energy decreases. When the potential energy decreases, the system is unstable.

Here only linear stabilities are considered.





linearly stable non-linearly unstable

linearly unstable

Linearized MHD Eq. I

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \right) \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{B} - \nabla p, \qquad \text{Starting from ideal MHD equations}$$
$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{v}) = 0,$$
$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \right) \left(\frac{p}{\rho^{\gamma}} \right) = 0,$$
$$\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B} = 0,$$
$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mathbf{j}, \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}, \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0.$$

$$\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r},t) = \mathbf{v}_{0}(\mathbf{r}) + \mathbf{v}_{1}(\mathbf{r},t), \ \mathbf{v}_{0}(\mathbf{r}) = 0, \qquad \mathbf{j}(\mathbf{r},t) = \mathbf{j}_{0}(\mathbf{r}) + \mathbf{j}_{1}(\mathbf{r},t), \ |\mathbf{j}_{1}| << |\mathbf{j}_{0}|, \\ \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r},t) = \mathbf{B}_{0}(\mathbf{r}) + \mathbf{B}_{1}(\mathbf{r},t), \ |\mathbf{B}_{1}| << |\mathbf{B}_{0}|, \qquad \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r},t) = \mathbf{E}_{0}(\mathbf{r}) + \mathbf{E}_{1}(\mathbf{r},t), \ \mathbf{E}_{0}(\mathbf{r}) = 0, \\ \rho(\mathbf{r},t) = \rho_{0}(\mathbf{r}) + \rho_{1}(\mathbf{r},t), \ \rho_{1} << \rho_{0}, \qquad p(\mathbf{r},t) = p_{0}(\mathbf{r}) + p_{1}(\mathbf{r},t), \ p_{1} << p_{0}.$$

The 1st order momentum equations are as follows:

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \rho_{0} \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{1}}{\partial t} = -\nabla p_{1} + \mathbf{j}_{1} \times \mathbf{B}_{0} + \mathbf{j}_{0} \times \mathbf{B}_{1}, \ \frac{\partial \rho_{1}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho_{0} \mathbf{v}_{1}) = 0, \\
 \frac{\partial p_{1}}{\partial t} = -\mathbf{v}_{1} \cdot \nabla p_{0} - \gamma p_{0} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}_{1}, \ \mathbf{E}_{1} + \mathbf{v}_{1} \times \mathbf{B}_{0} = 0, \\
 \nabla \times \mathbf{B}_{1} = \mu_{0} \mathbf{j}_{1}, \ \nabla \times \mathbf{E}_{1} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}_{1}}{\partial t}, \ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}_{1} = 0. \end{array}$$

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Linearized MHD Eq. II

Summarizing the above equations,

$$\rho_0 \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{v}_1}{\partial t^2} = -\nabla \{ \mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \nabla p_0 + \gamma p_0 \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}_1 \}_1 + \mathbf{j}_0 \times \{ \nabla \times (\mathbf{v}_1 \times \mathbf{B}_0) \} + \frac{1}{\mu_0} [\nabla \times \{ \nabla \times (\mathbf{v}_1 \times \mathbf{B}_0) \}] \times \mathbf{B}_0$$

When \mathbf{v}_1 replaces a Lagrangian valiable, $\partial \boldsymbol{\xi} / \partial t$,

$$\rho_{0} \frac{\partial^{2} \boldsymbol{\xi}}{\partial t^{2}} = \mathbf{F}(\boldsymbol{\xi}),$$

$$\mathbf{F}(\boldsymbol{\xi}) \equiv -\nabla \{\boldsymbol{\xi} \cdot \nabla p_{0} + \gamma p_{0} \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\xi}\} + \frac{1}{\mu_{0}} (\nabla \times \mathbf{B}_{0}) \times \mathbf{Q} + \frac{1}{\mu_{0}} (\nabla \times \mathbf{Q}) \times \mathbf{B}_{0}.$$

where $\mathbf{Q} \equiv \nabla \times (\boldsymbol{\xi} \times \mathbf{B}_{0}).$

In the linear stability analysis, the followin expression of the time evolution of the perturbation is useful,

 $\xi(\mathbf{r},t) = \xi_{\omega}(\mathbf{r})\exp(-i\omega t)$. If ω is imaginary, the mode grows (unstable). $-\rho_0\omega^2\xi = \mathbf{F}(\xi).$

Then

Here it should be noticed that **F** is a self-adjoint operator, $\int dV \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{y}) = \int dV \mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x})$.

$$\frac{1}{2}\rho_0\omega^2 \int dV\xi^*\xi = -\frac{1}{2}\int dV\xi^*\mathbf{F}(\xi), \ \frac{1}{2}\rho_0\omega^{*2}\int dV\xi\xi^* = -\frac{1}{2}\int dV\xi\mathbf{F}(\xi^*).$$
$$=>\frac{1}{2}\rho_0\omega^2 \int dV\xi^*\xi = \frac{1}{2}\rho_0\omega^{*2}\int dV\xi\xi^* =>\omega^2 = \omega^{*2}.$$
$$=>\omega^2 \text{ should be real.}$$

Here * denotes a complex conjugate.
Linearized MHD Eq. III

$$\frac{1}{2}\rho_0\omega^2 \int dV\xi^*\xi = -\frac{1}{2}\int dV\xi^*\mathbf{F}(\xi) \Longrightarrow \mathbf{K} \equiv \frac{1}{2}\rho_0 \int dV\xi^*\xi, \ \partial \mathbf{W} \equiv -\frac{1}{2}\int dV\xi^*\mathbf{F}(\xi).$$
$$\Longrightarrow \omega^2\mathbf{K} = \partial \mathbf{W}.$$
$$\Longrightarrow \omega^2 = \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\mathbf{K}}.$$

Because *K* is positive, the sign of δW determines the stability of the system. $\delta W > 0 \Rightarrow$ stable. $\delta W < 0 \Rightarrow$ unstable.

Here *K* and δW correspond to the kinetic energy and the potential energy. After some calculations, δW is rewritten as

$$\delta W = \frac{1}{2} \int_{plasma} \left[\begin{array}{c} (\nabla \cdot \xi)^2 + (\xi \cdot \nabla p_0) (\nabla \cdot \xi) & (Q^2) \\ \mu_0 & (Q \times \xi) \end{array} \right].$$
Change of the internal energy of plasma without magnetic energy
Change of the magnetic energy
Work against the unbalanced magnetic force

Linearized MHD Eq. IV



When the mode is localized $k_{\perp}a >> 1$, pressure driven mode is dominant.

Current driven mode; The global mode is more easily unstable than the localized mode. $k_{\perp}a \sim 1$

Ideal Interchange mode I ---Reduced MHD equation---

When the high aspect approximation ($\mathcal{E}=a/R_0 <<1$) and the high beta ordering ($\beta \sim \mathcal{E}$) are applied to the full MHD equations, in a quasi toroidal coordinates, (r, θ , φ), the following reduced MHD equation is obtained. [$\xi = grad U \ge z$ ($\xi = mU/r\omega$)]

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla U, \ \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla\right) p = 0, \ \rho \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla\right) \nabla_{\perp}^{2} U = -\mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla j_{\varphi} - \hat{\varphi} \times \mathbf{\kappa}_{r} \cdot \nabla p.$$

Here $R=R_0+r\cos\theta$, R_0 ; major radius, r=a; minor radius. and are the poloidal flux and a stream function, respectively. And

$$\mathbf{B} = B_0 \hat{\boldsymbol{\varphi}} + \nabla \boldsymbol{\psi} \times \hat{\boldsymbol{\varphi}}, \quad \mathbf{v} = \nabla U \times \hat{\boldsymbol{\varphi}}, \quad j_{\varphi} = -\nabla_{\perp}^2 A_{\varphi}, \quad \boldsymbol{\psi} = A_{\varphi} + \boldsymbol{\psi}_V(r, \theta), \quad \mathbf{\kappa}_r = -\nabla \Omega, \quad \Omega = \frac{r}{R_0} + \Omega_V(r, \theta).$$

 $\psi_{\rm V}$, and $\Omega_{\rm V}$ are the averaged vacuum poloidal flux and the vacuum magnetic curvature potential, respectively, which are zero for tokamaks, and non-zero for heliotron.

The potential energy based on reduced MHD equation is as the following;

$$\delta W(\boldsymbol{\xi},\boldsymbol{\xi}) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{V_p} dr \left[\left[\mathbf{Q}_{\perp} \right]^2 - 2 \left(\boldsymbol{\xi}_{\perp} \cdot \nabla p \right) \left(\mathbf{\kappa}_r \cdot \boldsymbol{\xi}_{\perp} \right) - j_{\varphi} \left(\boldsymbol{\xi}_{\perp} \times \hat{\boldsymbol{\varphi}} \right) \cdot \mathbf{Q}_{\perp} \right]$$

The terms with the compressional alfven wave and the magnetic sound wave disappear. Here $\xi_{\perp} = \nabla_{\perp} U \times \hat{\varphi}$, $\mathbf{Q}_{\perp} = \nabla_{\perp} (\mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla U) \times \hat{\varphi}$.

Ideal Interchange mode II ---Sydum Criterion---

In order to linearlize Eqs.(1), we assume $U = \tilde{U}(r,\theta,\varphi)$, $p = p_0 + \tilde{p}(r,\theta,\varphi)$, $A_{\varphi} = A_0 + \tilde{A}(r,\theta,\varphi)$ and $\{\tilde{U}, \tilde{p}, \tilde{A}\} = \{\hat{U}, \hat{p}, \hat{A}\} \exp[i(m\theta - n\varphi) - i\omega t]$.

The following eigenmode equation for U is derived in the cylinder geometry,

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where $k_{//}=mt-n$, $k_0=m/r$ and primes denote the derivative with respect to *r*. In order to analyze the radially localized mode in the neighborhood of a resonant surface, the following relations are used; $x=r-r_0$, $k_{//}=k_{//}x$, $k_{//}=mt'|_{r=r_0}$.

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}^{2}}{\mathrm{d}r^{2}}\hat{U} - \left\{\frac{k_{\theta 0}^{2}p_{0}'\Omega'}{k'_{//}^{2}} + k_{\theta 0}^{2}\right\}\hat{U} = 0$$

The solution of U is assumed as $U \sim x^{\vee}$. U crosses 0 around x=0 infinite times when $-k_{\theta 0}^{2} p_{0}' \Omega' / k'_{//}^{2} > 1/4$. According to Sydum, when U crosses 0 without boundaries, the system is always unstable. Then $-\frac{p_{0}' \Omega'}{r^{2}} > \frac{1}{4}t'^{2}$ is a sufficient condition of the localized instabilities.

Mercier criterion corresponds to the extended Sydum criterion to the toroidal system.⁴⁰

Ideal Interchange mode III ---Relationship between the Sydum criterion and global mode stability---

Generally speaking, the global mode is stable even that the sydum's criterion is unstable. Why the global mode is stable there nevertheless sydum's criterion is a sufficient condition of the instability?

The mode width of the interchange mode becomes narrower as the growth rate decreases. Usually the stability analysis is calculated with finite mesh size. Then the only unstable modes with finite size and finite growth rate can be analyzed. The sydum's criterion corresponds to the instability condition for the limit of the radially localized mode.

Caution!!

The stability limit of the global unstable mode depends on the calculation mesh size especially in the interchange mode.



Ideal Interchange mode IV ---Example of the mode structure and growth rate of the interchange mode---





K.Watanabe; Nuclear Fusion 32, 1647 (1992).

Because w is a imaginary, the difference of the phase between U and p is $\pi/2$.

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磁力線の曲率と磁場強度の強弱

マ・B=0(磁力線は閉じるという性質) より、磁力線の曲率が凸に曲がって いる方向に、磁場強度は弱まる。





環状磁場プラズマでの交換型MHD不安定特性 II





Pressure driven instabilities in torus plasmas

magnetic hill and well

-minor radial direction

When mag. flux averaged $\bigtriangledown B$ is negative (positive), it is magnetic hill (well) config. ∇B is locally negative (positive).=> bad (good) curvature.

1. Tokamaks

Mag. axis torus-outwardly shifted case



Well/Hill depends on the relative location between 2 neighboring surfaces.



The averaging location of
the mag. surf. is moreAv
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radius increases.as
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=> The averaged B of
mag. surf. increases as
the larger minor radius .

2. "Straight" heliotron



Averaged *B* of mag.surf. decreases as the larger minor radius.

Characteristics MHD equil. related to stability in LHD

Straight stellarator's mag. field is expressed as the followings.

 $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B}_h + B_0 \mathbf{z} = \nabla \Phi + B_0 \mathbf{z}$

(helical field by l pair of helical coils + constant toridal field)

Mag. field by helical coils is expressed by a scalar potential Φ

 $\Phi = \sum_{l=1}^{l=\infty} \Phi_l(r) I_l(lMr/R_0) \sin(l\theta - Mz/R_0)$



In torus, *M*; toridal pitch number, R_0 ; plasma majior radius, $\phi = z/R_0$ (toroidal angle)

Here mag. flux due to helical coil, ψ_h , is introduced.

$$\psi_h = -\frac{1}{2B_0} \sum_{l,m} \Phi_l(r) \Phi_m(r) \frac{m}{r} I_l(lMr/R_0) I_m(lMr/R_0) \cos((l-m)\theta)$$

By using , averaged mag. field strength and rotational transform are expressed

M.Wakatani et al, Phys. Fluids 29, 905 (1986).

Characteristics MHD equil. related to stability in LHD II



Observation of the mode structure of the interchange mode in LHD



Evolution of the ECE perturbation

Toroidal Alfven freq. ~5.3x10⁶Hz @2.75T, n_e =10¹⁹m⁻³, R_0 =3,6m

According to theoretical prediction, the growth rate is around $\sim 1.6 \times 10^4 Hz$ (63µs).

There is discrepancy between the prediction and observation in the growth rate.



Profile of the radial displacement by ECE measurement and theoretical prediction

> The prediction of the ideal interchange mode is quite consistent with the observation on the mode structure.

A.Isayama et al; Plasma Phys. Contr. Fus. to be published (2005).

Reduced MHD Equation

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \right) \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{B} - \nabla p, \qquad \text{Motion eq.}$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{v}) = 0, \qquad \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \right) p = 0, \qquad \text{Eq. of continuity and state for } \gamma = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = -\nabla \times \mathbf{E}, \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mathbf{j}, \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0, \quad \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B} = 0 \quad (\eta \mathbf{j}), \qquad \text{Ohm's low Maxwell eq.}$$

Here some quantities are linearlized (separate the equilibrium part (suffix 0) and the perturbed part (suffix 1).).

$$\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r},t) = 0 + \mathbf{v}_{1}(\mathbf{r},t), \qquad \mathbf{j}(\mathbf{r},t) = \mathbf{j}_{0}(\mathbf{r}) + \mathbf{j}_{1}(\mathbf{r},t), |\mathbf{j}_{1}| << |\mathbf{j}_{0}|, \\ \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r},t) = \mathbf{B}_{0}(\mathbf{r}) + \mathbf{B}_{1}(\mathbf{r},t), |\mathbf{B}_{1}| << |\mathbf{B}_{0}|, \qquad \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r},t) = 0 + \mathbf{E}_{1}(\mathbf{r},t), \\ \rho(\mathbf{r},t) = \rho_{0}(\mathbf{r}) + \rho_{1}(\mathbf{r},t), \rho_{1} << \rho_{0}, \qquad p(\mathbf{r},t) = p_{0}(\mathbf{r}) + p_{1}(\mathbf{r},t), p_{1} << p_{0}.$$

The 1st order momentum equations are as follows:

$$\rho_{0} \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{1}}{\partial t} = -\nabla p_{1} + \mathbf{j}_{1} \times \mathbf{B}_{0} + \mathbf{j}_{0} \times \mathbf{B}_{1},$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho_{1}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho_{0} \mathbf{v}_{1}) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial p_{1}}{\partial t} = -\mathbf{v}_{1} \cdot \nabla p_{0} - \gamma p_{0} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}_{1},$$

$$\mathbf{E}_{1} + \mathbf{v}_{1} \times \mathbf{B}_{0} = \mu \mathbf{j}_{1},$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}_{1}}{\partial t} = -\nabla \times \mathbf{E}_{1}, \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{B}_{1} = \mu_{0} \mathbf{j}_{1}, \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}_{1} = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_0 \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_1}{\partial t} &= -\nabla p_1 + \mathbf{j}_1 \times \mathbf{B}_0 + \mathbf{j}_0 \times \mathbf{B}_1, \\ \frac{\partial \rho_1}{\partial t} &+ \nabla \cdot (\rho_0 \mathbf{v}_1) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial p_1}{\partial t} = -\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \nabla p_0, \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}_1}{\partial t} &= \nabla \times (\mathbf{v}_1 \times \mathbf{B}_0 - \eta \nabla \times \mathbf{B}_1), \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}_1 = 0. \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}_1}{\partial t} &= \nabla \mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1 \times \mathbf{v}_2 + \mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2 + \mathbf{v}_$$

Reduced MHD Equation II

The 1st order momentum equations are as follows:

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$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}_1}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\mathbf{v}_1 \times \mathbf{B}_0 - \eta \nabla \times \mathbf{B}_1), \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}_1 = 0,$$

Here
$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}_1 = 0$$
 is assumed. $\frac{\partial \rho_1}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \nabla \rho_0 = 0.$

Here $\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{B} \times)$ for 1st eq., and by using $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}_1 = 0$ and $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}_1 = 0$. $\mathbf{B} \cdot \frac{\rho_0}{B_0^2} \nabla \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_1}{\partial t} = (\mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla) \frac{\mathbf{j}_1 \cdot \mathbf{B}_0}{B_0^2} + \mathbf{B} \cdot \frac{\nabla B_0^2 \times \nabla p_1}{B_0^4},$ $\frac{\partial p_1}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \nabla p_0 = 0.$ $\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}_1}{\partial t} = (\mathbf{B}_0 \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{v}_1 - (\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{B}_0 + \eta \nabla^2 \mathbf{B}_1.$

 $\eta = 0, \mathbf{v}_1 = \nabla U \times \vec{\varphi}, \text{ and } \mathbf{B}_1 = \nabla \psi_1 \times \vec{\varphi} \text{ are assumed. } \mathbf{B}_0 = B_0 \vec{\varphi} + \nabla \psi_0 \times \vec{\varphi}, \ j_{\varphi} = -\nabla_{\perp}^{2} (\psi - \psi_V(r, \theta)), \ \psi = \psi_0 + \psi_1.$

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla U, \ \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla\right) p = 0, \ \rho \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla\right) \nabla_{\perp}^{2} U = -\mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla j_{\varphi} - \hat{\varphi} \times \mathbf{\kappa}_{r} \cdot \nabla p.$$

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Ideal Interchange mode I ---Reduced MHD equation---

When the high aspect approximation ($\mathcal{E}=a/R_0 <<1$) and the high beta ordering ($\beta \sim \mathcal{E}$) are applied to the full MHD equations, in a quasi toroidal coordinates, (r, θ , φ), the following reduced MHD equation is obtained. [$\xi = grad U \ge z$ ($\xi = mU/r\omega$)]

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Here $R=R_0+r\cos\theta$, R_0 ; major radius, r=a; minor radius. and are the poloidal flux and a stream function, respectively. And

$$\mathbf{B} = B_0 \hat{\boldsymbol{\varphi}} + \nabla \boldsymbol{\psi} \times \hat{\boldsymbol{\varphi}}, \quad \mathbf{v} = \nabla U \times \hat{\boldsymbol{\varphi}}, \quad j_{\varphi} = -\nabla_{\perp}^2 A_{\varphi}, \quad \boldsymbol{\psi} = A_{\varphi} + \boldsymbol{\psi}_V(r, \theta), \quad \mathbf{\kappa}_r = -\nabla \Omega, \quad \Omega = \frac{r}{R_0} + \Omega_V(r, \theta).$$

 $\psi_{\rm V}$, and $\Omega_{\rm V}$ are the averaged vacuum poloidal flux and the vacuum magnetic curvature potential, respectively, which are zero for tokamaks, and non-zero for heliotron.

The potential energy based on reduced MHD equation is as the following;

$$\delta W(\boldsymbol{\xi},\boldsymbol{\xi}) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{V_p} dr \left[\left[\mathbf{Q}_{\perp} \right]^2 - 2 \left(\boldsymbol{\xi}_{\perp} \cdot \nabla p \right) \left(\mathbf{\kappa}_r \cdot \boldsymbol{\xi}_{\perp} \right) - j_{\varphi} \left(\boldsymbol{\xi}_{\perp} \times \hat{\boldsymbol{\varphi}} \right) \cdot \mathbf{Q}_{\perp} \right]$$

The terms with the compressional alfven wave and the magnetic sound wave disappear. Here $\xi_{\perp} = \nabla_{\perp} U \times \hat{\varphi}$, $\mathbf{Q}_{\perp} = \nabla_{\perp} (\mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla U) \times \hat{\varphi}$.

Ideal Interchange mode II ---Sydum Criterion---

In order to linearlize Eqs.(1), we assume $U = \tilde{U}(r,\theta,\varphi)$, $p = p_0 + \tilde{p}(r,\theta,\varphi)$, $A_{\varphi} = A_0 + \tilde{A}(r,\theta,\varphi)$ and $\{\tilde{U}, \tilde{p}, \tilde{A}\} = \{\hat{U}, \hat{p}, \hat{A}\} \exp[i(m\theta - n\varphi) - i\omega t]$.

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where $k_{//}=mt-n$, $k_0=m/r$ and primes denote the derivative with respect to *r*. In order to analyze the radially localized mode in the neighborhood of a resonant surface, the following relations are used; $x=r-r_0$, $k_{//}=k_{//}x$, $k_{//}=mt'|_{r=r_0}$.

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Ballooning instability

When locally bad curvature exists in a magnetic flux surface, poloidally (and/or toroidally) localized pressure driven unstable mode appear there. => ballooning mode



Pressure driven instabilities in torus plasmas Stability condition of ballooning instability

It is principlely same with that in interchange mode. However local value of the curvature and magnetic shear are important in the bad curvature region.

$$-\frac{p_0'\Omega'}{r^2} > \frac{1}{4}\iota'^2 \implies -q^2 p_0'\widetilde{\Omega}' > \frac{1}{4}\widetilde{s}^2 \left(\widetilde{s} = \frac{r}{q}\widetilde{q}' = -\frac{r}{\iota}\widetilde{\iota}'\right) \quad \text{means the value at bad curvature.}$$

Even in tokamaks, $\tilde{\Omega}'$ is positive.



 B_p increases where the magnetic fields becomes dense. Increment of B_p is larger where the the magnetic fields becomes more dense (the relative shift of the magnetic surface to the next magnetic surface is larger. In edge region, the relative shift is larger). => $d\Delta B_p/dr >0$.

Pressure driven instabilities in torus plasmas Stability condition of ballooning instability

Here $\tilde{s} \equiv \frac{r}{q}q' - \alpha$, $-\alpha \propto (\Delta q)'$ is the modification due to shafranov shift. $(\Delta q)' = \frac{d}{dr} \left(\frac{r}{\Delta B_p} \frac{B_p}{R} \right) \sim \frac{rB_p}{R} \frac{d}{dr} \left(\frac{1}{\Delta B_p} \right) < 0 \Longrightarrow \alpha > 0.$

$$(s-\alpha)^{2} < k\alpha \Longrightarrow s^{2} - 2\alpha s + \alpha^{2} - k\alpha < 0$$

$$\Longrightarrow \alpha - \sqrt{k\alpha} < s < \alpha + \sqrt{k\alpha}$$

According to more detail calculation, $0 < k < 1$
In tokamak, $s > 0$.



Pressure driven instabilities in torus plasmas More exact treatment of stability analysis of ballooning mode

In order to exactly analyze the ballooning mode stability, we introduce the Eikonal approximation.

$$A = F(r)\exp(iS), S(r, \theta, \phi) = -n[\phi - q(r)(\theta - \theta_0)] => -[n\phi - m(r)(\theta - \theta_0)], n >> 1.$$

$$A = F(r)\exp(i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r} + nq_r'(r - r_r)(\theta - \theta_0)) => F(r)\exp(nq_r'(r - r_r)(\theta - \theta_0))\exp(i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}); near q = q_r.$$

$$cf. S = -[n\phi - m(\theta - \theta_0)]; in fourier analysis.$$
resonant surface

Change of this part at resonance is relatively large near resonant surface

When the Eikonal approximation is introduced, the potential energy is rewritten as follows. $_{RB_p\xi_r} \Rightarrow A$

$$\delta W = \int \left[\left(1 + \Lambda^2 \left(\frac{\mathrm{d}F}{\mathrm{d}\theta} \right)^2 - \alpha (\Lambda \sin \theta + \cos \theta) F^2 \right] \mathrm{d}\theta, \text{ where } \Lambda = s\theta - \alpha \sin \theta, s = \frac{r}{q} \frac{\mathrm{d}q}{\mathrm{d}r}, \alpha = -\frac{2\mu_0 R q^2}{B^2} \frac{\mathrm{d}p}{\mathrm{d}r}.$$

Minimization of the above potential energy leads to the following Euler equation,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\theta} \left[\left(1 + \Lambda^2 \left(\frac{\mathrm{d}F}{\mathrm{d}\theta} \right)^2 - \alpha \left(\Lambda \sin \theta + \cos \theta \right) F \right] = 0.$$

[ref] J.Wesson; Chap.6.13-14 in "Tokamaks --2nd edit.--" Clarendon press (1997).

There is no simple analytic solution of the Ballooning eq. Here just show a numerical calculation result. (If you want to know more detail analyzing procedure, please see refs.[1], [2],[3]).

According to refs.[2], the stability boundary is expressed as the following on *s*- α diagram. Here δ is the amplitude of the magnetic well (averaged good curvature). It shows that in the averaged good curvature, the no ballooning mode unstable operation is possible.



[1] J.P.Freidberg; Chap.10.5 in "Ideal Magneto hydrodynamics" Plenum press (1987).

^[2] M.Azumi and M.Wakatani; J.Plasma Fus. Res., 66 (1991) 494.

^[3] J.Wesson; Chap.6.14 in "Tokamaks --2nd edit.--" Clarendon press (1997).

ELM (Edge Localized Mode) I

Phenomena that heat and particles in the plasma edge region are oscillatingly exhausted in H-mode plasmas (Typically observed signal is the spick of $H\alpha$ (D α) emission).



Fig. 1 Time traces of plasma parameters in a DIII-D discharge where type I ELMs are observed in t = 1,600-2,000 ms and t = 2,600-3,000 ms, and type II ELMs in 2,050-2,450 ms at higher elongation and triangularity [5].

When ELMs occur, the impurities like He are efficiently exhausted. In H-mode operation without ELM, it is not easy to remove the impurities. Though confinement improvement of H-mode with ELM is less that that without ELM, it is a favorable phenomenon for controlling the impurities and the understanding of the mechanism is important..

H-mode;

A kind of the improved confinement mode. the significant reduction of particle loss in the edge region is observed (H α (D α) signal is reduced). The steep gradients of the temperature and/or the density in the edge region appear. 59

^[5] T. Ozeki et al., Nucl. Fusion 30, 1425 (1990).



Frequency

Type I; 10~200Hz; proportional to the heating power

across the separatrix.

Type II; higher than type I



A probable candidate of driving mechanism of ELM



Fig. 5 The critical edge α parameter (the normalized edge pressure gradient) at onset of the first type I ELM after the ELM-free period increases with triangularity in JT-60U [15].

[15] Y. Kamada et al., Proc. 16th IAEA Fusion Energy Conf. Montreal, 1996 (1997) Vol.1, p.247. Onset condition of type I ELM strongly depends on the triangularity.

The stability criterion also strongly depends on the triangularity.

=>

A probable candidate of the driving mechanism is ballooning mode.

A theoretical model of driving mechanism of ELM



Importance of the measurement of edge current profilefo ELM study

Observation of the current profile in the edge region is important to identify the driving mechanism of ELM

In DIII-D, Zeeman effect of the Li beam probe is used. Spatial resolution $\Delta R \sim 5$ cm, 32 channel.

Application of the MSE measurement is not suitable fo edge current profile measurement because the NBI beam attenuation is very small in the edge region.



ref. D.M.Thomas et al., Phys. rev. Lett. 93, 065003-1 (2004).

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Physical picture of the current driven instabilities (kink modes)



Once cross-section of a mag. surf shrinks at a location, mag. field strength increases there, and mag. stress presses mag. surf. radially. => increases of mag. field strength.

$$B_{\theta} = I/2\pi r$$
$$p + \frac{B^2}{2\mu_0} = const.$$

Once column of mag. surface bends kink-like, mag. field strength increases in small curvature region and it decreases in large curv. region. Mag. stress in small curv. region is larger than that in large curv. region, and the column is pressed to bend more. => mag. field strength increases in small curvature region and it decreases in large curv. region.

Once plasma moves, it continues to move. => Unstable Under presence of longitudinal field, additional force is affected as to suppress line bending. => Stabilizing effect

Linearized MHD Eq. I

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \right) \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{B} - \nabla p, \qquad \text{Starting from ideal MHD equations}$$
$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{v}) = 0,$$
$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \right) \left(\frac{p}{\rho^{\gamma}} \right) = 0,$$
$$\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B} = 0 \quad (\eta \mathbf{j}),$$
$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mathbf{j}, \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}, \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0.$$

Here some quantities are linearlized (separate the equilibrium part (suffix 0) and the perturbed part (suffix 1).).

$$\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r},t) = \mathbf{v}_{0}(\mathbf{r}) + \mathbf{v}_{1}(\mathbf{r},t), \mathbf{v}_{0}(\mathbf{r}) = 0, \qquad \mathbf{j}(\mathbf{r},t) = \mathbf{j}_{0}(\mathbf{r}) + \mathbf{j}_{1}(\mathbf{r},t), |\mathbf{j}_{1}| << |\mathbf{j}_{0}|, \\ \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r},t) = \mathbf{B}_{0}(\mathbf{r}) + \mathbf{B}_{1}(\mathbf{r},t), |\mathbf{B}_{1}| << |\mathbf{B}_{0}|, \qquad \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r},t) = \mathbf{E}_{0}(\mathbf{r}) + \mathbf{E}_{1}(\mathbf{r},t), \mathbf{E}_{0}(\mathbf{r}) = 0, \\ \rho(\mathbf{r},t) = \rho_{0}(\mathbf{r}) + \rho_{1}(\mathbf{r},t), \rho_{1} << \rho_{0}, \qquad p(\mathbf{r},t) = p_{0}(\mathbf{r}) + p_{1}(\mathbf{r},t), p_{1} << p_{0}.$$

The 1st order momentum equations are as follows:

Linearized MHD Eq. II

Summarizing the above equations,

$$\rho_0 \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{v}_1}{\partial t^2} = -\nabla \{ \mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \nabla p_0 + \gamma p_0 \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}_1 \}_1 + \mathbf{j}_0 \times \{ \nabla \times (\mathbf{v}_1 \times \mathbf{B}_0) \} + \frac{1}{\mu_0} [\nabla \times \{ \nabla \times (\mathbf{v}_1 \times \mathbf{B}_0) \}] \times \mathbf{B}_0$$

When \mathbf{v}_1 replaces a Lagrangian valiable, $\partial \boldsymbol{\xi} / \partial t$,

$$\rho_{0} \frac{\partial^{2} \boldsymbol{\xi}}{\partial t^{2}} = \mathbf{F}(\boldsymbol{\xi}),$$

$$\mathbf{F}(\boldsymbol{\xi}) \equiv -\nabla \{\boldsymbol{\xi} \cdot \nabla p_{0} + \gamma p_{0} \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\xi}\} + \frac{1}{\mu_{0}} (\nabla \times \mathbf{B}_{0}) \times \mathbf{Q} + \frac{1}{\mu_{0}} (\nabla \times \mathbf{Q}) \times \mathbf{B}_{0}.$$

where $\mathbf{Q} \equiv \nabla \times (\boldsymbol{\xi} \times \mathbf{B}_{0}).$

In the linear stability analysis, the followin expression of the time evolution of the perturbation is useful,

 $\xi(\mathbf{r},t) = \xi_{\omega}(\mathbf{r})\exp(-i\omega t)$. If ω is imaginary, the mode grows (unstable). $-\rho_0\omega^2\xi = \mathbf{F}(\xi).$

Then

Here it should be noticed that **F** is a self-adjoint operator, $\int dV \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{y}) = \int dV \mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x})$.

$$\frac{1}{2}\rho_0\omega^2 \int dV\xi^*\xi = -\frac{1}{2}\int dV\xi^*\mathbf{F}(\xi), \ \frac{1}{2}\rho_0\omega^{*2}\int dV\xi\xi^* = -\frac{1}{2}\int dV\xi\mathbf{F}(\xi^*).$$
$$=>\frac{1}{2}\rho_0\omega^2 \int dV\xi^*\xi = \frac{1}{2}\rho_0\omega^{*2}\int dV\xi\xi^* =>\omega^2 = \omega^{*2}.$$
$$=>\omega^2 \text{ should be real.}$$

Here * denotes a complex conjugate.

Linearized MHD Eq. III

$$\frac{1}{2}\rho_0\omega^2 \int dV\xi^*\xi = -\frac{1}{2}\int dV\xi^*\mathbf{F}(\xi) \Longrightarrow \mathbf{K} \equiv \frac{1}{2}\rho_0 \int dV\xi^*\xi, \ \partial \mathbf{W} \equiv -\frac{1}{2}\int dV\xi^*\mathbf{F}(\xi).$$
$$\Longrightarrow \omega^2\mathbf{K} = \partial \mathbf{W}.$$
$$\Longrightarrow \omega^2 = \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\mathbf{K}}.$$

Because *K* is positive, the sign of δW determines the stability of the system. $\delta W > 0 =>$ stable. $\delta W < 0 =>$ unstable.

Here *K* and δW correspond to the kinetic energy and the potential energy. After some calculations, δW is rewritten as

$$\partial W = \frac{1}{2} \int_{plasma} \left[\begin{array}{c} (\nabla \cdot \xi)^2 + (\xi \cdot \nabla p_0) (\nabla \cdot \xi) + (Q^2) \\ \mu_0 \end{array} \right]_{\mu_0} (Q \times \xi) \\ -\xi \cdot (\mathbf{j}_0 \times \mathbf{B}_1) \\ -\xi \cdot (\mathbf{j}_0 \times \mathbf{B}_1) \\ \text{Change of the internal energy of plasma without magnetic energy} \end{array} \right]_{\mathbf{Work ag}} \\ Work ag unbalan$$

gainst the netic energy unbalanced magnetic force

Linearized MHD Eq. IV



When the mode is localized $k_{\perp}a >> 1$, pressure driven mode is dominant.

Current driven mode; The global mode is more easily unstable than the localized mode. $k_{\perp}a \sim 1$

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$$\delta W = \frac{1}{2} \int_{plasma} \left[\gamma p_0 (\nabla \cdot \xi)^2 + (\xi \cdot \nabla p_0) (\nabla \cdot \xi) + \frac{|\mathbf{Q}|^2}{\mu_0} - \mathbf{j}_0 (\mathbf{Q} \times \xi) \right] + \int_{vacuum} \left(\frac{B_v^2}{\mu_0} \right)^2 \left[\frac{1}{2} \int_{plasma} \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} \left[\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} \right] + \int_{vacuum} \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} \left[\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} \right] \right]$$

 $\beta \sim \varepsilon^2$, $\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \sim \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} >> \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$, $\nabla \cdot \xi = 0$ as the minimizing perturbation.

$$\delta W = \pi R \int_0^a \left(\frac{|\mathbf{Q}|^2}{\mu_0} - j_{z0} (Q_r \xi_\theta - Q_\theta \xi_r) \right) \mathrm{d}\theta r \mathrm{d}r + \pi R \int_a^b \left(\frac{B_V^2}{\mu_0} \right) \mathrm{d}\theta r \mathrm{d}r.$$

where $|\mathbf{Q}|^2 = Q_{\rho}^2 + Q_{\theta}^2$, *a* is the plasma radius and *b* the radius of the perfect conducting wall. The perturbations are Fourier analyzed in the form $\exp[i(m\theta - n\phi)]$, and becomes $\xi_{\theta} = -\frac{i}{m} \frac{d}{dr} (r\xi_r)$.

Here using $\mathbf{Q} = \nabla \mathbf{x} (\boldsymbol{\xi} \mathbf{x} \mathbf{B}_0)$, then

$$Q_r = -\frac{\mathrm{i}mB_{\varphi}}{R} \left(\frac{n}{m} - \frac{1}{q}\right) \xi_r, \quad Q_{\theta} = \frac{B_{\varphi}}{R} \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}r} \left[\left(\frac{n}{m} - \frac{1}{q}\right) r \xi_r \right]$$

where q (= rB_{ϕ}/RB_{θ}) is the safety factor. And $\mu_0 j_{z0} = \nabla \mathbf{X} \mathbf{B}_0 (=(1/r)[d/dr(rB_{\theta})])$.

$$\delta W_{p} = \frac{\pi^{2} B_{\varphi}^{2}}{\mu_{0} R} \int_{0}^{a} r dr \left\{ m^{2} \left(\frac{n}{m} - \frac{1}{q} \right)^{2} \xi_{r}^{2} + \left(\frac{d}{dr} \left[\left(\frac{n}{m} - \frac{1}{q} \right) r \xi_{r} \right] \right)^{2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{d}{dr} \left(r B_{\theta} \right) \left[\left(\frac{n}{m} - \frac{1}{q} \right) \xi_{r}^{2} \frac{d}{dr} \left(r \xi_{r} \right) + \frac{d}{dr} \left[\left(\frac{n}{m} - \frac{1}{q} \right) r \xi_{r}^{2} \right] \xi_{r}^{2} \right] \right\}$$

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External kink II

After the integration by parts in the term involving $\xi_r d\xi_r/dr$,

$$\delta W_{p} = \frac{\pi^{2} B_{\varphi}^{2}}{\mu_{0} R} \int_{0}^{a} r dr \left\{ \left[\left(r \frac{d\xi_{r}}{dr} \right)^{2} + \left(m^{2} - 1 \right) \xi_{r}^{2} \right] \left(\frac{n}{m} - \frac{1}{q} \right)^{2} \right\} + \left[\frac{2}{q_{a}} \left(\frac{n}{m} - \frac{1}{q_{a}} \right) + \left(\frac{n}{m} - \frac{1}{q_{a}} \right)^{2} \right] a^{2} \xi_{ra}^{2}.$$

where the subscript *a* denotes the value at r=a.

Next we consider the vacuum contribution to δW . In the vacuum, the perturbed magnetic field is expressed by a flux function Ψ as B_{Vr1} =-(1/r) $\partial \Psi / \partial \theta$ and $B_{V\theta1} = \partial \Psi / \partial r$. Since

$$B_V^2 = B_{Vr12} + B_{V\theta12} = \frac{m^2}{r^2} \Psi + \left(\frac{d\Psi}{dr}\right)^2$$
, the δW_V is written as

$$\delta W_{V} = \frac{\pi^{2} R}{\mu_{0}} \int_{a}^{b} r dr B_{V}^{2} = \frac{\pi^{2} R}{\mu_{0}} \left\{ \int_{a}^{b} r dr \left[\frac{m^{2}}{r^{2}} \Psi - \frac{\Psi}{r} \frac{d}{dr} \left(r \frac{d\Psi}{dr} \right) \right] + \left(r \Psi \frac{d\Psi}{dr} \right)_{a}^{b} \right\}.$$

Here it is noted that Ψ satisfies the following Laplace's equation, $\frac{1}{r}\frac{d}{dr}\left(r\right)$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{r}\left(r\frac{\mathrm{d}\Psi}{\mathrm{d}r}\right) - \frac{\mathrm{m}^2}{r^2}\Psi = 0.$$

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Then $\delta W_V = \frac{\pi^2 R}{\mu_0} \left(r \Psi \frac{\mathrm{d}\Psi}{\mathrm{d}r} \right) \Big|_a^b.$

Here we assume the solution of the Laplace's equation is written as $\Psi = \alpha r^m - \beta r^m$. For the conducting wall at r=b, $B_r(b)=0 \Rightarrow \Psi=0$ at r=b. For the plasma surface r=a, $B_{Vr1}(a)=-im\Psi_a/a=Q_r(a)=-i(mB_{\phi}/R)(n/m-1/q_a)\xi_{ra} \Rightarrow \Psi_a=B_{\theta a}(nq_a/m-1)\xi_{ra}$.

External kink III

The solution of the Ψ is given as $\Psi = B_{\theta a} \left(\frac{nq_a}{m} - 1 \right) \frac{(r/b)^m - (b/r)^m}{(a/b)^m - (b/a)^m} \xi_{ra}.$

Then the vacuum contribution δW_V is expressed as

$$\delta W_V = \frac{\pi^2 R}{\mu_0} m \lambda \left(\frac{n}{m} - \frac{1}{q_a}\right) a^2 \xi_{ra}^2, \quad \text{where} \quad \lambda \equiv \frac{1 + (a/b)^{2m}}{1 - (a/b)^{2m}}.$$

When the conducting wall moves to infinity, (b=>inf.), λ =>1.

The above equation is added to the plasma contribution δW_p ,

$$\delta W = \frac{\pi^2 B_{\varphi}^2}{\mu_0 R} \int_0^a r dr \left\{ \left[\left(r \frac{d\xi_r}{dr} \right)^2 + \left(m^2 - 1 \right) \xi_r^2 \right] \left(\frac{n}{m} - \frac{1}{q} \right)^2 \right\} + \left[\frac{2}{q_a} \left(\frac{n}{m} - \frac{1}{q_a} \right) + \left(1 + m\lambda \right) \left(\frac{n}{m} - \frac{1}{q_a} \right)^2 \right] a^2 \xi_{ra}^2.$$

When $\xi_{ra} = 0$, $\delta W \ge 0$. => stable or marginal stable.

The integral contribution (inside of the plasma) is always positive or zero. When we consider the case that the $q_a>0$, m>0, -inf<n<inf, the necessary condition for instability is

$$\begin{split} & \left[\frac{2}{q_a} + \left(1 + m\lambda\right) \left(\frac{n}{m} - \frac{1}{q_a}\right)\right] \left(\frac{n}{m} - \frac{1}{q_a}\right) < 0 \implies \frac{m}{n} \frac{m\lambda - 1}{m\lambda + 1} < q_a < \frac{m}{n}, \\ & => \frac{m}{n} \frac{m - 1}{m + 1} < q_a < \frac{m}{n} \quad \left(m = 2, n = 1 \Longrightarrow 2/3 < q_a < 2, m = 3, n = 1 \Longrightarrow 3/2 < q_a < 3\right) @ \lambda = 1. \end{split}$$

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When m=1,
$$\delta W = \frac{\pi^2 B_{\varphi}^2}{\mu_0 R} \int_0^a r dr \left\{ \left(r \frac{d\xi_r}{dr} \right)^2 \left(n - \frac{1}{q} \right)^2 \right\} + \left[\frac{2}{q_a} \left(n - \frac{1}{q_a} \right) + 2 \left(n - \frac{1}{q_a} \right)^2 \right] a^2 \xi_{ra}^2.$$

The minimizing eigenfunction in the plasma is given by $\xi_r(r) = \xi_{ra}$ = constant. Then

 $\delta W = \left[2n\left(n - \frac{1}{q_a}\right)\right] a^2 \xi_{ra}^{2} = q_a > 1 \ge \frac{1}{n} \text{ (the condition of stabilization, Kruskal-Shafranov condition.)}$

When m>=2, the trial function which minimizes the integral term (plasma term) should satisfy the following equation (Euler-Lagrange eq.)

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}_r}{\mathrm{d}r} \left[r^3 \left(\frac{n}{m} - \frac{1}{q} \right)^2 \frac{\mathrm{d}\xi_r}{\mathrm{d}r} \right] - r \left(m^2 - 1 \right) \left(\frac{n}{m} - \frac{1}{q} \right)^2 \xi_r = 0.$$

Assuming the above eq. can be solved for ξ_r , one can rewrite δW as follows:

$$\delta W = \left(\frac{n}{m} - \frac{1}{q_a}\right) \left[\left(m + \frac{a\xi_{ra}}{\xi_{ra}}\right) \left(\frac{n}{m} - \frac{1}{q_a}\right) + \left(\frac{n}{m} + \frac{1}{q_a}\right) \right] a^2 \xi_{ra}^2.$$

To evaluate δW the Euler-Lagrange eq. should be solved and $a\xi_{r'}/\xi_r$ be calculated. Assuming the mode structure is localized near the plasma boundary and after some calculation, we obtain the unstable criterion taking the current profile into account.

$$\frac{1}{n} \left(m - \frac{J_a}{\langle J \rangle} \right) < q_a < \frac{m}{n}, \text{ for } J_a \neq 0, \text{ and } \frac{1}{n} \left(m - \exp\left(\frac{2m\langle J \rangle}{aJ_a'}\right) \frac{J_a}{\langle J \rangle} \right) < q_a < \frac{m}{n}, \text{ for } J_a = 0.$$
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External kink V

How fast the current gradient must vanish is difficult estimate by the analytical methods.

The right figure is the numerical results of the unstable region for external kinks for a current profile $j(r)=j_0(1-\rho^2)^{\nu}$. $\rho=r/a$. $q=q_a\rho[1-(1-\rho)^{\nu+1}]^{-1}$.=> $q_a/q_0=\nu+1$.



When v>2.5, all m>=2 modes are stable for any qa. When 1<v<2.5, the stability window of q_a exists.

J.A.Wesson; Nucl. Fus. 18, 87 (1978).

External kink VI ---Observation of the mode structure of the external kink mode in TFTR---



with the observation on the mode structure.

Tearing mode -- Physical picture--



Goldston, Rutherford; Chap.20 in "Introduction to Plasma Physics", IOP pub. Ltd. (1995).



When j_{z1} exists, tearing mode is unstable. Then $\Delta^{4} > 0 =>$ unstable.

Tearing mode II

From linearized momentum eq.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[B_{y0}^{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{B_{x1}}{B_{y0}} \right) \right] - k_{y}^{2} B_{y0} B_{x1} = 0, \quad \text{for "outer - regions".}$$

$$-\omega \rho_{0} \mu_{0} \frac{\partial^{2} u_{x1}}{\partial x^{2}} = \frac{k_{y} B_{y0}}{i \eta} (\omega B_{x1} + k_{y} B_{y0} u_{x1}), \quad \text{for "resistive layer } (|\mathbf{x}| < \delta \equiv \frac{\eta}{k_{y} B_{y0}} \frac{\partial^{2} B_{x1}}{\partial x^{2}},)^{"}.$$

$$\mathcal{A}^{\epsilon} \text{ is determined.}$$

$$Relationship between \mathcal{A}^{\epsilon} \text{ and } \gamma (-i\omega) \text{ is determined.}$$

$$\gamma = \left(\frac{\tau_{R}}{\tau_{A}}\right)^{0.4} \frac{0.55(\Delta a)^{4/5}}{\tau_{R}}. \qquad \text{Magnetic Reynolds number}$$

$$= 2 \text{ very large}$$

 $τ_R$; magnetic diffusive time ~ min is very long, but γ of tearing mode is farly large. $(τ_A \sim 10^{-6}s)$ When we solve the momentum eq. in the outer regions



Generally speaking, when k_y is small, the tearing mode easily becomes unstable.

=> For the large k_v mode, the line-bending stabilization easily becomes large.

Neoclassical tearing mode --- Physical picture ---

The existence of bootstrap current is indispensability to obtain the advanced tokamak plasmas because it helps to reduce the external current drive and to make the negative shear configuration.



C.C. Hegna, Phys. Plasmas 4, 2940 (1997).

The model eq. of the evolution of the island width (Modified Rutherford eq.)



Example of observation of the neoclassical tearing mode



Observation;

After b have exceeded 1.2%, it and S_n saturate, and just before the saturation, m/n=3/2 fluctuation starts increasing.



Comparison of the measured m/n = 3/2island width (labeled 'a') with the neoclassical tearing mode theory (curve 'b' uses the time dependent parameters and 'c' uses fixed parameters)

How is it identified?

Comparing measured m/n = 3/2island width with the theory. Mod. Rutherford model works well to explain the observation

Disruption I

A dramatic event in which the plasma confinement is suddenly destroyed. In tokamak operations, it is often observed.

=> As a main cause, the instability related with the current driven mode and the subsequent destruction of the magnetic surfaces.



Typical sequence

- 1. Precursor in mag. probe signals are observed.
- 2. Temperature suddenly descreases.
- 2'. The equilibrium is destroyed less than once. And it is considered to be reconstructed.
- 3. Density and net toroidal current decrease slower than temperature does.

Decay time of density is mainly determined by particle confinement of the cold plasma, and that of net toroidal current is by L/R time.







Disruption II

The radial over-rapping of tearing modes, a external kink and the positional instability are considered as main causes.



An example of the growth of MHD instabilities due to tearing modes in a disruption.

ref. J.A.Wesson et al., Nucl. Fusion 29, 641 (1989)

n=1/m=2?, n=2/m=3? tearing modes. Oscillating periods become long.

Tearing modes are not annihilated. Only oscillation have stopped (*mode locking*). $(-\dot{\mathbf{B}} = \nabla \times \mathbf{E})$

 $B_{\rm r}$ component monotonically increases.

 q_0 should be larger than 1. and the smaller toroidal current flows as the minor radius increases.

=> The central current profile is flattened. And the current gradient increases near q=2 surface.

=> The tearing mode bec**so**mes easily unstable.



=>

Disruption III



When over-rapping of the island due to tearing modes occur, magnetic surfaces are destroyed, and the confinement will be lost.

When a external kink and the positional instability happen, the plasma losses rapidly due to a touch of the wall. => Rapid decay of temperature



Sawtooth oscillation

Typical behavior

At first, the inner signal gradually increases and the outer one decreases. And at a time, the inner signal suddenly drops, and at the same time the outer signal increases. It is repeated.

=> The inner temperature (and/or density) suddenly drops, and the outer one increases.

The collapse is due to the instability with m/n=1/1 structure. It usually starts when a q=1 surface appear in plasma region.



A theoretical model for sawtooth oscillation

Kadomtsev's model

m/n=1/1 instability displaces the center region of plasma. The X point is created, the mag. field line breaks and reconnected where the magnetic flux is crowded.In intermediate state, a cooler core island is surrounding the displaced hot circular core.



flow pattern of m/n=1/1ideal kink mode ($q_0=0.8$)

ref J.Wesson; Chap.7.6 in "Tokamaks --2nd edit.--" Clarendon press (1997).

m=1 internal current driven modes

The leading order of δW respect with r/R is zero. When we consider higher order, the δW is expressed as the followings.

$$\delta W = \left(1 - \frac{1}{n^2}\right) \delta W_C + 2\pi^2 R \xi_0^2 \frac{B_{\phi}^2}{\mu_0} \left(\frac{r_1}{R}\right)^4 \delta W_T \qquad \delta W_T = 3\left(1 - q\right) \left(\frac{13}{144} - \beta_{p_1}\right), \beta_{p_1} = \frac{\int_0^{r_1} (p - p_1) 2r dr}{B_{\theta_1}^2 / 2\mu_0}.$$

Cylinder effect; in tokamaks, q>0.5. Then this term always positive.

Toroidal effect: When β_{p1} >0.3, the ideal internal kink mode becomes unstable. However, the growth rate is small because δW is small. It should be noted that ideal internal kink mode is unstable just in finite pressure plasma.

When we consider the resistiveity effect on the m/n=1/1mode. That is unstable even without plasma pressure.



resistivity becomes large, it more easily destabilized than *m=2 tearing mode.*



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displacement and flow pattern of m/n=1/1 ideal kink mode

ref J.Wesson; Chap.6.10-11 in "Tokamaks --2nd edit.--" Clarendon press (1997).

Comparison between exp. observation and Kadomatsev's mode

ref J.Wesson; Chap.7.6 in "Tokamaks --2nd edit.--" Clarendon press (1997).

Some discrepancies exist between observation and the model; still open question!

(1) According to a observation of q_0 , q_0 remains well below 1, which is conflict with the model which predicts full reconnection.

(2) According to the model, the collapse time is larger as the device becomes larger because of the increase of τ_A/τ_R , which is conflict with the experimental results that the collapse time hardly depends on the device size.

(3) According to a observation of fluc. contour, it looks that cold bubble invade the core, hot island is surrounding it, , which is conflict with the model which predicts a cooler core island is surrounding the displaced hot circular core.



It looks that cold bubble invade the core, hot island is surrounding it.

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Reduced MHD Equation

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \right) \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{B} - \nabla p, \qquad \text{Motion eq.}$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{v}) = 0, \qquad \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \right) p = 0, \qquad \text{Eq. of continuity and state for } \gamma = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = -\nabla \times \mathbf{E}, \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mathbf{j}, \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0, \quad \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B} = 0 \quad (\eta \mathbf{j}), \qquad \text{Ohm's low Maxwell eq.}$$

Here some quantities are linearized (separate the equilibrium part (suffix 0) and the perturbed part (suffix 1).).

$$\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r},t) = 0 + \mathbf{v}_{1}(\mathbf{r},t), \qquad \mathbf{j}(\mathbf{r},t) = \mathbf{j}_{0}(\mathbf{r}) + \mathbf{j}_{1}(\mathbf{r},t), |\mathbf{j}_{1}| << |\mathbf{j}_{0}|, \\ \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r},t) = \mathbf{B}_{0}(\mathbf{r}) + \mathbf{B}_{1}(\mathbf{r},t), |\mathbf{B}_{1}| << |\mathbf{B}_{0}|, \qquad \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r},t) = 0 + \mathbf{E}_{1}(\mathbf{r},t), \\ \rho(\mathbf{r},t) = \rho_{0}(\mathbf{r}) + \rho_{1}(\mathbf{r},t), \rho_{1} << \rho_{0}, \qquad p(\mathbf{r},t) = p_{0}(\mathbf{r}) + p_{1}(\mathbf{r},t), p_{1} << p_{0}.$$

The 1st order momentum equations are as follows:

$$\rho_0 \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_1}{\partial t} = -\nabla p_1 + \mathbf{j}_1 \times \mathbf{B}_0 + \mathbf{j}_0 \times \mathbf{B}_1,$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho_1}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho_0 \mathbf{v}_1) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial p_1}{\partial t} = -\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \nabla p_0 - \gamma p_0 \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}_1,$$

$$\mathbf{E}_1 + \mathbf{v}_1 \times \mathbf{B}_0 = \mu \mathbf{j}_1,$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}_1}{\partial t} = -\nabla \times \mathbf{E}_1, \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{B}_1 = \mu_0 \mathbf{j}_1, \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}_1 = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_0 \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_1}{\partial t} &= -\nabla p_1 + \mathbf{j}_1 \times \mathbf{B}_0 + \mathbf{j}_0 \times \mathbf{B}_1, \\ \frac{\partial \rho_1}{\partial t} &+ \nabla \cdot (\rho_0 \mathbf{v}_1) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial p_1}{\partial t} = -\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \nabla p_0, \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}_1}{\partial t} &= \nabla \times (\mathbf{v}_1 \times \mathbf{B}_0 - \eta \nabla \times \mathbf{B}_1), \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}_1 = 0. \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{g}_1}{\partial t} &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Reduced MHD Equation II

The 1st order momentum equations are as follows:



$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \nabla U \times \vec{\varphi}$$
, and $\mathbf{B}_1 = \nabla \psi \times \vec{\varphi}$ are assumed. $\mathbf{B}_0 = B_0 \vec{\varphi} + \nabla \psi_{h0} \times \vec{\varphi}$, $j_{\varphi 1} = -\nabla_{\perp}^2 \psi$.

$$\rho_{0}\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\nabla_{\perp}^{2}U = -\mathbf{B}_{0}\cdot\nabla\left(\nabla_{\perp}^{2}\psi\right) - \hat{\varphi}\times\mathbf{\kappa}_{r}\cdot\nabla p_{1}, \quad \frac{\partial p_{1}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v}_{1}\cdot\nabla p_{0} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial\psi}{\partial t} = \mathbf{B}_{0}\cdot\nabla U + \eta\nabla_{\perp}^{2}\psi.$$
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Mode coupling I

$$\rho_{0} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla_{\perp}^{2} U = -\mathbf{B}_{0} \cdot \nabla \left(\nabla_{\perp}^{2} \psi \right) - \hat{\varphi} \times \mathbf{\kappa}_{r} \cdot \nabla p_{1},$$

$$\frac{\partial p_{1}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v}_{1} \cdot \nabla p_{0} = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \mathbf{B}_{0} \cdot \nabla U + \eta \nabla_{\perp}^{2} \psi.$$

$$P_{0} \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial t^{2}} \nabla_{\perp}^{2} U = -\mathbf{B}_{0} \cdot \nabla \left(\nabla_{\perp}^{2} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \right), \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \mathbf{B}_{0} \cdot \nabla \nabla \left(\nabla_{\perp}^{2} U \right).$$

$$P_{0} \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial t^{2}} \nabla_{\perp}^{2} U - \mathbf{B}_{0}^{2} \cdot \nabla \nabla \left(\nabla_{\perp}^{2} U \right).$$

$$A \text{ kind of wave}$$

Fourier-Laplace expansion; torus plasmas has 2 type of period.

$$\{U, p, A\} = \sum_{m,n} \{\hat{U}_{mn}, \hat{p}_{mn}, \hat{A}_{mn}\} \exp[i(m\theta - n\varphi) - i\omega t].$$

$$\hat{U}_{mn}, \hat{p}_{mn}, \hat{A}_{mn} \text{ are function of } \rho \text{ (radial variable; index of mag. surface)}$$

Mode coupling II --through configuration effects--

 $\rho_0 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \nabla_{\perp}^2 U \sim -\mathbf{B}_0^2 \cdot \nabla \nabla \left(\nabla_{\perp}^2 U \right)$

$$\rho_0 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \sum_{mn} X_{mn} \exp(i(m\theta - n\varphi) - i\omega t) \sim -\mathbf{B}_0^2 \cdot \nabla \nabla \left(\sum_{mn} X_{mn} \exp(i(m\theta - n\varphi) - i\omega t)\right)$$

When \mathbf{B}_0 (equilibrium field) is homogeneous case, there is no mode coupling. => $X_{mn} \exp(i(m\theta - n\phi) - i\omega t)$ is independent each other.

When \mathbf{B}_0 (equilibrium field) is inhomogeneous case like tokamaks [$\mathbf{B}_0 = \mathbf{B}_0^* \mathbf{R}_0 / (\mathbf{R}_0 + r^* \cos \theta)$], mode coupling happens.=> mode coupling through equilibrium config.

=> When ω is fixed, Sum_X_{mn}exp(i(m θ -n ϕ)-i ω t) is determined.

Notes!

There are some means in word "mode".

When ω is fixed, the space structure (combination set of m,n, $X_{mn}(\rho)$) is determined. The set including ω means a mode.

A component of Sum_ $X_{mn}exp(i(m\theta-n\phi)-i\omega t)$ is sometimes called "mode". ₉₇

Example of mode coupling through equil. configuration



Tokamaks ballooning mode

Reduced MHD Equation II'

The 1st order momentum equations are as follows:

$$\rho_0 \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_1}{\partial t} = -\nabla p_1 + \mathbf{j}_1 \times \mathbf{B}_0 + \mathbf{j}_0 \times \mathbf{B}_1 + \mathbf{j}_1 \times \mathbf{B}_1,$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho_1}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho_0 \mathbf{v}_1 + \rho_1 \mathbf{v}_1) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial p_1}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \nabla p_0 + \mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \nabla p_1 = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}_1}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\mathbf{v}_1 \times \mathbf{B}_0 + \mathbf{v}_1 \times \mathbf{B}_1 - \eta \nabla \times \mathbf{B}_1), \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}_1 = 0.$$

$$\rho_{0} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla_{\perp}^{2} U = -\mathbf{B}_{0+1} \cdot \nabla \left(\nabla_{\perp}^{2} (\psi_{h0} + \psi) \right) - \hat{\varphi} \times \mathbf{\kappa}_{r} \cdot \nabla p_{1},$$

$$\frac{\partial p_{1}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v}_{1} \cdot \nabla (p_{0} + p_{1}) = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \mathbf{B}_{0+1} \cdot \nabla U + \eta \nabla_{\perp}^{2} \psi.$$

$$\mathbf{B}_{1} = \nabla \psi \times \vec{\varphi}.$$

$$\rho_{0} \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial t^{2}} \nabla_{\perp}^{2} U = -\mathbf{B}_{0} \cdot \nabla \left(\nabla_{\perp}^{2} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \right) - \mathbf{B}_{1} \cdot \nabla \left(\nabla_{\perp}^{2} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \right), \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \mathbf{B}_{0} \cdot \nabla U + \mathbf{B}_{1} \cdot \nabla U$$

$$\rho_{0} \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial t^{2}} \nabla_{\perp}^{2} U \sim -\mathbf{B}_{0}^{2} \cdot \nabla \nabla \left(\nabla_{\perp}^{2} U \right) + \nabla_{\perp}^{2} U \times \nabla \nabla \left(\nabla_{\perp}^{2} U \right)$$

Mode coupling III --through Non-linear process--

 $\rho_0 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \nabla_{\perp}^2 U \sim -\mathbf{B}_0^2 \cdot \nabla \nabla \left(\nabla_{\perp}^2 U \right) + \nabla_{\perp}^2 U \times \nabla \nabla \left(\nabla_{\perp}^2 U \right)$

$$\rho_0 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \sum_{mn} X_{mn} \exp(i(m\theta - n\varphi) - i\omega t) \sim -\mathbf{B}_0^2 \cdot \nabla \nabla \left(\sum_{mn} \left(\sum_{m'n'} X_{m'n'} \exp(i(m'\theta - n'\varphi) - i\omega t) \right) X_{mn} \exp(i(m\theta - n\varphi) - i\omega t) \right)$$

Even if \mathbf{B}_0 (equilibrium field) is homogeneous case, mode coupling happens because perturbed terms are multiplied.

 $=> X_{mn} \exp(i(m\theta - n\phi) - i\omega t)$ is not independent each other.

Method of mode structure analyzing I

The 1st order momentum equations are as follows:

$$\frac{\frac{\partial \rho_{1}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v}_{1} \cdot \nabla \rho_{0} = 0,}{\frac{\partial p_{1}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v}_{1} \cdot \nabla p_{0} = 0}$$

$$\frac{\xi \equiv \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{1}}{\partial t}}{\frac{\partial p_{1}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v}_{1} \cdot \nabla p_{0} = 0}$$

$$+ \mathbf{v}_{1} \cdot \nabla p_{0} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{1} = -\xi_{1r} \frac{d\rho_{0}}{dr},$$

$$p_{1} = -\xi_{1r} \frac{d\rho_{0}}{dr}$$

Example of observation of mode structure



rate is around $\sim 1.6 \times 10^4 Hz$ (63µs).

There is discrepancy between the prediction and observation in the growth rate.

A.Isayama et al; Plasma Phys. Contr. Fus. to be published (2005).

on the mode structure.



Characteristics MHD equil. related to stability in LHD



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Characteristics MHD instability in LHD



Fig. 1. Temporal changes of the averaged beta; plasma current normalized by toroidal field; electron density; electron pressure at $\rho = 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8$, and 1.0; and amplitude of m/n = 2/1 mode.



Fig. 4. Temporal changes of (a) $\langle \beta_{dia} \rangle$ and n_e , (b) frequencies of m/n = 1/1 and 2/3 modes, and amplitudes of (c) m/n = 1/1 and (d) m/n = 2/3 modes in typical high- β discharge.





Rotaional Transfor **Comparison between peripheral pressure gradient** and the prediction of linear MHD stability analysis Α_~6.3(γ=1.22) $\delta/a_{\rm p} \sim 3\%$ (Ideal) (Terpsichore code) ~5% (S=10⁶) consistent with exp. 0 0.2 0.4 0.6 1 1.2 m/n=1/1 unstable r/a_ ρ=0.9 (ι~1) 12 1.0 \circ d β_{kin} /d ρ γ/ω_{A} = 10⁻¹ Ideal 0.3x10 $S = 10^{6}$ Calc. by db/dp (%) 0.5 8 $S = 10^{5}$ FAR3D Mercier Of 0.0 ξ(m/n=1/1) 4 0.8 0.9 0.7 1.0 ρ

<β_{dia}> (%)

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1.5

0.5

Observed kinetic beta gradients and a contour of growth rate of low-n ideal MHD mode

No strong reduction of gradients

The gradients are averaged for $\Delta \rho = 0.1$.

Radial structure of low-n ideal and resitive MHD mode

In < β_{dia} > ~4% plasmas, the global MHD mode is predicted unstable, but its radial mode width is narrow (~5% of a_p / growth rate $\gamma/\omega_A \sim 10^{-2}$)

even in the mode is expected linearly unstable, when the mode width is narrow, the effect on the confinement is quite small

Example of m/n=1/1 MHD instability in marginally stable discharge

Inducing impurity gas-puffing => S and grad p changing magnetic config. => dt/dr and κ_n around the resonant surface => Achievement of marginally unstable discharges with < β >~1% but similar b~ level of < β >~5%


Characteristics of m/n=1/1 mode structure



Degradation Area due to the m/n=1/1 mode estimated from Te profile



Decrease in Te is restricted to peripheral region around resonant rational surface by the m/n=1/1 mode => Impact on core region is quite small.

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FWHM in local fluc. amplitude; less than half in line-averaged fluc. am¹/_p¹

Estimation of transport based on modeled perturb.



Effect of m/n=1/1 MHD mode on confinement



After disappearance of Mag. fluc., the beta increases

Confinement performance normalized by an empirical τ_E scaling (ISS04) in presence and disappearance



~10% degradation of the normalized global conf. time by a empirical scaling (ISS04) in the presence of the m/n=1/1 mode

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No fatal effect of "global" mode on the helical plasma?

Helcal coil of LHD consists of 3 layers. By changing the current ratio in the 3 layers, plasma aspect ratio, mag.shear and mag. hill hight are controlled.



High aspect configuration (a special config.) has low magnetic shear and high magnetic hill in LHD => Interchange mode is more unstable



The magnetic shear of high aspect. conf. is much smaller than that of midium aspect. conf., and κ_n in both aspect ratio is almost same at the m/n=1/1 rational surface.

m/n = 1/1 mode in high aspect config. (low shear/high hill)



A collapse occurs in a high aspect plasma Before the collapse occurs, stability condition of global MHD mode is strongly violated.



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Characteristics of m/n = 1/1 mode in LHD

Several differences of characteristics of the mode in different configurations.		
Experiments	" non-rotating" mode (High-A _p , and/or large I _p)	" rotating" mode (high-β)
radial location	ho ~ 0.7 (currentless)	<i>ρ</i> ~ 0.9
configuration	weak shear, magnetic hill (D _R >0)	magnetic hill (D _R >0)
Prediction	Ideal unstable with large mode width	Ideal stable, or unstable with narrow mode width
frequency	DC ~ several Hz	several kHz
spatial location	₀~ -120 deg (near natural error field)	rotating
S dependence	Low-S => not appears(?!)	Low-S => large
Interaction with static 1/1	Suppression or growth	Reduction of rotation, suppression
	"Ideal" mode	"Resistive" mode