# Mean-Field Effects: from Passive Scalar to Magnetic Field and Convection

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# Outline

- Examples of Mean-Field Effects
- Mean-Field Approach: Methods and Assumptions
- A New Mean-Field Effect in Turbulent Transport of Particles:
  - theory of the new phenomenon of turbulent thermal diffusion
  - experimental detection of turbulent thermal diffusion
  - atmospheric applications
- Conclusions

# **Velocity Fields**



# Cloud "streets" over Indian ocean



#### **Cloud "streets" over the Amazon River**



#### **Closed cloud cells over the Atlantic Ocean**



# **Open cloud cells over the Pacific Ocean**



# Solar Convection



#### FORMATION OF AEROSOL LAYERS



Smog cloud over Santiago

#### **Mean-Field Approach**

Induction equation for mean magnetic field:

# $\frac{\partial \overline{\mathbf{B}}}{\partial t} = \nabla \times \left( \overline{\mathbf{U}} \times \overline{\mathbf{B}} + \left\langle \mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{b} \right\rangle - \eta \nabla \times \overline{\mathbf{B}} \right)$

 $\mathbf{\varepsilon} \equiv \langle \mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{b} \rangle$ 

Electromotive force:

### **Mean field equations**

$$\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \overline{\mathbf{U}} \cdot \nabla \right) \overline{U}_i = -\nabla_i \left( \frac{P}{\rho_0} \right) - \nabla_j \left\langle u_i \, u_j \right\rangle - g_i \,\overline{\Theta} + \nu \,\Delta \overline{U}_i$$
$$\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \overline{\mathbf{U}} \cdot \nabla \right) \overline{\Theta} = -\nabla_j \left\langle \theta \, u_j \right\rangle + \kappa \,\Delta \overline{\Theta}$$

 $\left\langle \theta \, \mathbf{u} \right\rangle \\ \left\langle u_i \, u_j \right\rangle$ 

is the heat flux

are the Reynolds stresses

# **Methods and Approximations**

- Second-Order Correlation Approximation (SOCA) or First-Order Smothing Approximation (FOSA)
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- Path-Integral Approach (delta-correlated in time random velocity field or short yet finite correlation time)
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- Tau-approaches (spectral tau-approximation, minimal tau-approximation) third-order or high-order closure
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- Renormalization Procedure (renormalization of viscosity, diffusion, heat conductivity and other turbulent transport coefficients) --- no separation of scales

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## Tau Approach

Equations for the correlation functions for:> The velocity fluctuations $\left(M_{ij}^{(II)}(\mathbf{k})\right)_{u} = \left\langle u_{i} u_{j} \right\rangle$ > The magnetic fluctuations $\left(M_{ij}^{(II)}(\mathbf{k})\right)_{b} = \left\langle b_{i} b_{j} \right\rangle$ > The cross-helicity tensor $\left(M_{ij}^{(II)}(\mathbf{k})\right)_{u} = \left\langle b_{i} u_{j} \right\rangle$ 

The spectral  $\tau$ -approximation (the third-order closure procedure)  $\hat{D}M^{(III)}(\mathbf{k}) - \hat{D}M_0^{(III)}(\mathbf{k}) = -\frac{M^{(II)}(\mathbf{k}) - M_0^{(II)}(\mathbf{k})}{\tau_c(\mathbf{k})}$ 

 $\left(M_{ij}^{(II)}(\mathbf{k})\right)_{u} = -\left\langle u_{i}\left(\mathbf{u}\cdot\nabla\right)u_{j}\right\rangle - \left\langle u_{j}\left(\widehat{\mathbf{u}\cdot\nabla}\right)u_{i}\right\rangle$ 

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#### **Renormalization Procedure**

- The first step is the averaging over the scale that is inside the inertial range of turbulence.
- The next stage of the renormalization procedure comprises a step-by-step increase of the scale of the averaging up to the maximum scale of turbulent motions.
- This procedure allows the derivation of equations for the turbulent transport coefficients: eddy viscosity, turbulent diffusion, turbulent heat conductivity, etc.
- To apply this procedure an equation invariant under the renormalization of the turbulent transport coefficients must be determined.

## **Passive scalar**

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \operatorname{div}(\rho \mathbf{u}) = 0 \tag{1}$$
$$\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} + \operatorname{div}(n \mathbf{u}) = D\Delta n \tag{2}$$

 $\frac{\partial N}{\partial t} + \operatorname{div}(\overline{N} \,\overline{\mathbf{V}}) = (D + D_T) \Delta \overline{N}$ 

Why does not turbulent diffusion arise in averaged equation (1) for the fluid density in a turbulent flow, while averaged equation (2) does contain the turbulent diffusion?

$$\frac{\partial \overline{\rho}}{\partial t} + \operatorname{div}(\overline{\rho} \, \overline{\mathbf{V}}) = 0$$

#### **Turbulent Diffusion**

Taylor (1921) $D_T \approx l \, u >> D$ 

$$\frac{\partial \overline{N}}{\partial t} + \operatorname{div}(\overline{N} \,\overline{\mathbf{V}}) = D_T \Delta \overline{N}$$

Turbulence results in a sharp increase of the diffusion coefficient (Taylor, 1921).

> Turbulence causes a decay of particle inhomogeneities.

However, the opposite process, the large-scale preferential concentration of particles in turbulent flows is still poorly understood.

#### **Turbulent thermal diffusion of particles**

$$\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} + \operatorname{div}(n \, \mathbf{v}_p) = D \,\Delta n$$

 $\overline{N} = \langle n \rangle$ 

 $\mathbf{v}_p = \overline{\mathbf{V}}_p + \mathbf{u}$ 

 $\overline{\mathbf{V}}_p = \langle \mathbf{v}_p \rangle$ 

Averaging over turbulent velocity field

$$\frac{\partial \overline{N}}{\partial t} + \operatorname{div}\left(\overline{N} \,\overline{\mathbf{V}}_{p} + \overline{N} \,\mathbf{V}_{eff}\right) = (D + D_{T}) \,\Delta \,\overline{N}$$

$$\overline{\mathbf{J}}_{T} = \overline{N} \, \mathbf{V}_{e\!f\!f} - D_{T} \nabla \overline{N}$$

$$\mathbf{V}_{eff} = -\tau \langle \mathbf{u} \operatorname{div} \mathbf{u} \rangle$$

#### **Turbulent thermal diffusion of non-inertial particles**

 $\mathbf{v}_p = \mathbf{u}$ 

 $\rho \operatorname{div} \mathbf{u} + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \rho \approx 0$ 

div  $\mathbf{u} \approx -\mathbf{u} \cdot \frac{\nabla \rho}{\rho}$ 

Equation of state for ideal gas yields:

 $\frac{\nabla \overline{\rho}}{\overline{\rho}} \approx -\frac{\nabla \overline{T}}{\overline{T}}$ 

$$\frac{\partial N}{\partial t} + \operatorname{div}\left(\overline{N}\,\overline{\mathbf{V}} + \overline{N}\,\mathbf{V}_{eff} - D_T\nabla\overline{N}\right) = 0$$

$$\mathbf{V}_{e\!f\!f} = -\tau \langle \, \mathbf{u} \, \mathrm{div} \, \mathbf{u} 
angle$$

$$-\tau \langle u_i \operatorname{div} \mathbf{u} \rangle = \tau \langle u_i u_j \rangle \frac{\nabla_j \overline{\rho}}{\overline{\rho}} = D_T \frac{\nabla_i \overline{\rho}}{\overline{\rho}}$$

$$\mathbf{V}_{eff} = D_T \frac{\nabla \overline{\rho}}{\overline{\rho}} = -D_T \frac{\nabla \overline{T}}{\overline{T}}$$

**Turbulent flux of particles**  $\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} + \operatorname{div}(n \mathbf{u}) = D \Delta n \qquad n = \overline{N} + n' \qquad \frac{\partial \overline{N}}{\partial t} + \operatorname{div}(\langle n' \mathbf{u} \rangle) = D \Delta \overline{N}$ fluctuations of particles number density  $\frac{\partial n'}{\partial t} - D\Delta n' + \operatorname{div}(n'\mathbf{u} - \langle n'\mathbf{u} \rangle) = -\operatorname{div}(\overline{N}\mathbf{u})$  $n' \sim -\tau \,\overline{N} \operatorname{div} \mathbf{u} - \tau \,(\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \overline{N}$  $\overline{\mathbf{J}}_{T} \equiv \langle \mathbf{u} \, n' \rangle \sim -\tau \, \overline{N} \langle \mathbf{u} \, \mathrm{div} \, \mathbf{u} \rangle - \tau \, \langle \mathbf{u} \, (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \rangle \overline{N}$  $D_T \equiv D_{ij} = \tau \langle u_i | u_j \rangle$  - turbulent diffusion tensor  $\mathbf{V}_{eff} = -\tau \langle \mathbf{u} \operatorname{div} \mathbf{u} \rangle$  - effective velocity  $\overline{\mathbf{J}}_{T} = \overline{N} \, \mathbf{V}_{eff} - D_{T} \nabla \overline{N}$ - turbulent flux of particles

#### **Turbulent thermal diffusion of inertial particles**



 $\mathbf{V}_{eff} = -D_T \alpha \frac{\nabla T}{\overline{T}}$ 

$$\mathbf{v}_p = \mathbf{u} - \tau_p \frac{d \mathbf{u}}{d t} + O(\tau_p^2)$$

div 
$$\mathbf{v}_p = \operatorname{div} \mathbf{u} + \tau_p \frac{\Delta P}{\rho} + O(\tau_p^2)$$

$$\alpha \approx 1 + \left(\frac{m_p}{m_\mu}\right) \left(\frac{\overline{T}}{T_*}\right) \frac{\ln(\text{Re})}{\text{Pe}}$$

$$\overline{\mathbf{J}}_T = -D_T k_T \frac{\nabla \overline{T}}{\overline{T}} - D_T \nabla \overline{N} \quad \text{- turbulent flux of particles}$$

$$k_T = \alpha \overline{N} \quad \text{- turbulent thermal diffusion ratio}$$

#### **Particle Inertia Effect**



#### **Turbulent Thermal Diffusion**



Non-diffusive mean flux of particles is in the direction of the mean heat flux (i.e., in the direction of minimum fluid temperature).

#### Derivation of the effect of turbulent thermal diffusion

• Path integral approach (delta-correlated in time velocity field and finite correlation time)

The spectral tau approximation

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#### Paradox





#### **Experimental Set-up**





Experimental set - up: oscillating grids turbulence generator and particle image velocimetry system

#### **Particle Image Velocimetry System**





Raw image of the incense smoke tracer particles in oscillating grids turbulence

Particle Image Velocimetry Data Processing



#### Instantaneous Streamlines of the Flow and Velocity Map



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#### **Turbulent Energy Spectrum**



#### **Longitudinal Correlation Functions**



#### **Experimental Set-up for Temperature Measurements**



#### Temperature and Particle Number Density Fields. Stable Stratification



 $\overline{T}(y,z)$ 

 $\overline{N}(y,z)$ 

#### Temperature and Particle Number Density Fields. Unstable Stratification, f = 10.5 Hz



 $\overline{T}(y,z)$ 

 $\overline{N}(y,z)$ 

#### Temperature and Particle Number Density Fields. Unstable Stratification, f = 4.4 Hz



N(y,z)

 $\overline{\overline{T}}(y,z)$ 

#### Temperature Field in Forced and Unforced Turbulent Convection



Forced turbulent convection (two oscillating grids)

#### **Unforced convection**

#### **Temperature and Particle Spatial Distributions**



 $\overline{T}(y,z)$ 

- stable stratification

- unstable stratification

N(y,z)

#### **Turbulent Thermal Diffusion**

$$\frac{\partial \overline{N}}{\partial t} + \operatorname{div} \left( \overline{N} \, \mathbf{V}_{eff} - D_T \nabla \overline{N} \right) = 0$$

$$\mathbf{V}_{eff} = -D_T \alpha \frac{\nabla \overline{T}}{\overline{T}}$$

 $\alpha = 1$  for non-inertial particles

**Steady state:** 

$$\frac{\nabla \overline{N}}{\overline{N}} = -\alpha \frac{\nabla \overline{T}}{\overline{T}}$$

$$\frac{\overline{N} - \overline{N}_0}{\overline{N}_0} = -\alpha \frac{\overline{T} - \overline{T}_0}{\overline{T}_0}$$



#### **Turbulent Thermal Diffusion**



Normalized mean particle number density  $N_r = \overline{N}/\overline{N}_0$  vs. normalized temperature gradient  $T_r = (\overline{T} - \overline{T}_0)/\overline{T}_0$  : - stable stratification, - unstable stratification.

#### Experimental set-up with ten fans



#### Instantaneous vector map and streamlines of flow in FTG



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#### Mean temperature distribution in FGT



#### **Turbulent Thermal Diffusion**



Normalized mean particle number density  $N_r = \overline{N}/\overline{N_0}$  vs. normalized temperature gradient  $T_r = (\overline{T} - \overline{T_0})/\overline{T_0}$  in FGT.

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The ratio  $|V_{eff}/W|$  for typical atmospheric parameters (different temperature gradients and different particle sizes)

| $a_*$                  | 1 K / 100 m | $1 { m K} / 200 { m m}$ | 1 K / 300 m |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| $1\mu{ m m}$           | 13          | 6.5                     | 4.33        |
| $5\mu{ m m}$           | 3.4         | 1.7                     | 1.13        |
| $10 - 20\mu\mathrm{m}$ | 3           | 1.5                     | 1           |
| $30\mu{ m m}$          | 2.7         | 1.35                    | 0.9         |

The ratio  $|V_{eff}/W|$  for typical atmospheric parameters (different temperature gradients and different particle sizes)

|                           | 1 K/100 m | 1 K/200 m | 1 K/300 m | 1 K/1000 m |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| $a_* = 30 \ \mu m$        | 2.7       | 1.35      | 0.9       | 0.27       |
| $a_* = 50 \ \mu m$        | 2.43      | 1.22      | 0.81      | 0.243      |
| $a_* = 100 \ \mu m$       | 2.06      | 1.03      | 0.687     | 0.206      |
| $a_* = 200 \ \mu m$       | 1.7       | 0.85      | 0.567     | 0.17       |
| $a_* = 300 \ \mu m$       | 1.5       | 0.75      | 0.5       | 0.15       |
| $a_* = 500 \mu\mathrm{m}$ | 1.2       | 0.6       | 0.4       | 0.12       |

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#### **Time of Formation of Aerosol Layers**

|                     | 1 K/100 m | 1 K/200 m |  |
|---------------------|-----------|-----------|--|
| $a_* = 30 \ \mu m$  | 11 min    | 105 min   |  |
| $a_* = 100 \ \mu m$ | 1 min     | 120 min   |  |

$$t_T \propto rac{L_T}{|\mathbf{V}_{eff} - \mathbf{W}|}$$

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Distribution of Number Density of Aerosols (black) and Mean Temperature Distribution (gray) (Satellite Gomos Data)



#### Distribution of Number Density of Aerosols (black) and Mean Temperature Distribution (grey) (Satellite GOMOS Data)





#### Conclusion

#### **Mean-Field Effects**

- A new phenomenon of turbulent thermal diffusion associated with turbulent transport of particles in the atmosphere and in laboratory experiments has been found.
- The essence of this phenomenon is the appearance of a non-diffusive mean flux of particles in the direction of the mean heat flux, which results in the formation of large-scale inhomogeneous structures in the spatial distribution of particles. Particles accumulate in regions of minimum mean temperature of the surrounding fluid.
- The effect of turbulent thermal diffusion has been detected experimentally: in oscillating grids turbulence generator and in a multifan turbulence generator in two directions of the imposed vertical mean temperature gradient (suble and unsighte significations).
- Turbulent thermal diffusion can explain the large-scale aerosol layers that form inside atmospheric temperature inversions.

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