Entropy transfer processes in kinetic plasma turbulence and zonal flows

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Generation of Fine Structures

Shear operators

$$U(Z_i,...)\frac{\partial f(Z_i,Z_j...)}{\partial Z_j}$$

in the phase space generate fine structures of δf , and transfer the perturbations from macro- to micro-scales (where Z_i , and Z_j are a pair of the independent coordinates)

- Linear parallel advection, ballistic modes exp(ikvt)
- Nonlinear wave-particle interactions, trapping, etc.
- Parallel advection in ExB turbulence (W-S)
- ExB with FLR effect (Schekochihin, Tatsuno, Plunk)
- Magnetic drift and mirror force terms

Entropy Variable δS

$$S_{am} = -\int d^{3}v (f_{aM} + \delta f_{a}) \log(f_{aM} + \delta f_{a})$$

$$S_{aM} \xrightarrow{\delta S_{a}} \overbrace{f_{aM}} \xrightarrow{\delta f_{a}} \overbrace{f_{a}} \xrightarrow{\delta f_{a}} \xrightarrow{f_{a}} f_{a}$$

$$\delta S = S_{M} - S_{m}$$

$$f = F_{M} + \delta f$$

$$S_{m} = \langle \int d^{3}v f_{m} \ln F_{M} \ln f_{m} + \delta f_{m} \ln f_{m} \ln f_{m}$$

$$S_{m} = \langle \int d^{3}v f \ln f_{m} + \delta f_{m} \ln f_{m} + \delta f_{m} \ln f_{m}$$

• Entropy variable δS is a good measure for fluctuations of f in the phase space.

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- Entropy production, transfer, and dissipation processes in the slab ITG turbulence
 - Simulation and theoretical models
 - Relation to the kinetic-fluid closure models
- Zonal flow dynamics and entropy balance in toroidal systems
 - Zonal flow response in toroidal systems
 - Zonal flow generation and entropy transfer
- Summary

Kinetic simulation of entropy production, transfer and dissipation processes in slab ITG turbulence

Slab ITG Turbulence Model

Consider a reduced kinetic equation given by integrating the GK equation for v_{perp} in a 2-D slab with uniform B_0

$$\partial_{t} \tilde{f}_{\mathbf{k}}(v_{\parallel}) + ik_{y} \Theta v_{\parallel} \tilde{f}_{\mathbf{k}}(v_{\parallel}) + \sum_{\mathbf{k}=\mathbf{k}'+\mathbf{k}''} \left(k_{y}' k_{x}'' - k_{x}' k_{y}''\right) \Psi_{\mathbf{k}'} \tilde{f}_{\mathbf{k}''}(v_{\parallel})$$
$$= -ik_{y} \Psi_{\mathbf{k}} F_{M}(v_{\parallel}) \left[1 + \frac{\eta_{i}}{2} \left(v_{\parallel}^{2} - 1 - k^{2}\right) + \Theta v_{\parallel}\right] + C\left(\tilde{f}_{\mathbf{k}}\right)$$



 Constant gradients for *T* & *n* (Instability drive)
 No zonal flow case
 Adiabatic electrons

$$\Psi_{\mathbf{k}} = e^{-k^2/2} \Phi_{\mathbf{k}} = \frac{e^{-k^2}}{2 - \Gamma_0(k^2) - \delta(k_y)} \int dv_{||} \tilde{f}_{\mathbf{k}}(v_{||})$$

Simulation of the collisionless slab ITG turbulence



Electrostatic potential (Stream Function)

Velocity-space structure of δf



Watanabe & Sugama, PoP (2002)

Entropy balance derived from GK

$$\frac{d}{dt}\left\{\delta S + W\right\} = \eta_i Q_i + D$$

$$\begin{cases} \delta S = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \int dv_{||} \left| \tilde{f}_{\mathbf{k}} \right|^{2} / 2F_{M} \\ Q_{i} = \sum_{\mathbf{k}}^{\mathbf{k}} \int dv_{||} \left(-ik_{y}e^{-k^{2}/2}\Phi_{\mathbf{k}} \right) v_{||}^{2} \tilde{f}_{-\mathbf{k}} / 2 \\ W = \sum_{\mathbf{k}}^{\mathbf{k}} \left(2 - \Gamma_{0}(k^{2}) - \delta(k_{y}) \right) \left| \Phi_{\mathbf{k}} \right|^{2} / 2 \\ D = \sum_{\mathbf{k}}^{\mathbf{k}} \int dv_{||} \left(\tilde{f}_{-\mathbf{k}} / F_{M} \right) C \left[\tilde{f}_{\mathbf{k}} \right] \end{cases}$$

(entropy variable)
(turbulent energy flux)
(potential energy)
(collisional dissipation < 0)</pre>

Source terms with constant *n* and *T_i* gradients drive the drift wave turbulence producing the entropy variable.

The entropy balance equation relates δS with the transport flux and collisionnal dissipation.

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Entropy Production, Transfer, and Dissipation



Spectral analysis of the distribution function

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Hermite Polynomial Expansion} \\ \delta S_n \equiv \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \ \delta S_{\mathbf{k},n} \equiv \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \ \frac{1}{2}n! |\hat{f}_{\mathbf{k},n}|^2, \\ \delta S_n \equiv \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \ \delta S_{\mathbf{k},n} \equiv \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \ \frac{1}{2}n! |\hat{f}_{\mathbf{k},n}|^2, \\ \mathbf{k} = (-1)^n e^{x^2/2} \ \frac{d^n}{dx^n} (e^{-x^2/2}) \\ \mathbf{k} = (-1)^n e^{$$

δS_n Spectrum

Spectrum of the entropy variable density



v is changed from 0.002 to 0.002/1024 by factor of 1/4.

"Inertial Sub-range" with Constant Transfer Function J_n Flux function of the entropy variable density in the *n*-



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J is constant in a dissipation-free range where δS_n is transferred, that is, the "inertial sub-range".

Limiting Form of Entropy Variable Spectrum

- A theoretical model for δS_n
- Mixing theory of a passive scalar in the homogeneous isotropic turbulence
 - Large Prandtl number
 - Short wave-length regime
 (<< Kolmogolov scale)
- Effective wavenumber of δf is increased by turbulence (k ~ n^{0.5} ~ l).
- Finite resolution in the real space is taken into account.



Profiles of $\delta S_{k,n}$

■ $\delta S_{k,n}$ reaches to the maximum k (especially for high-*n*) due to the turbulent cascade (or stretching).





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Growth of <k_y> in turbulence Effective wavenumber <k_y> is roughly proportional to n^{1/2} (thus, ~ l) for large k_{max}.



Relation to kinetic-fluid closure models

Collisionless fluid equations

$$\partial_i n_{\mathbf{k}} + i k_{\parallel} n_0 u_{\mathbf{k}} - i \omega_{*i} n_0 \left(1 - \frac{b_{\mathbf{k}}}{2} \eta_i \right) \frac{e \Psi_{\mathbf{k}}}{T_i}$$

$$-\frac{c}{B}\sum_{\mathbf{k}'+\mathbf{k}''=\mathbf{k}} [\mathbf{b} \cdot (\mathbf{k}' \times \mathbf{k}'')] \Psi_{\mathbf{k}'} n_{\mathbf{k}''} = 0,$$

 $n_0 m_i \partial_i u_{\mathbf{k}} + i k_{\parallel} (T_i n_{\mathbf{k}} + n_0 T_{\mathbf{k}} + n_0 e \Psi_{\mathbf{k}})$

$$-\frac{n_0m_ic}{B}\sum_{\mathbf{k}'+\mathbf{k}''=\mathbf{k}}[\mathbf{b}\cdot(\mathbf{k}'\times\mathbf{k}'')]\Psi_{\mathbf{k}'}u_{\mathbf{k}''}=0,$$

- Fluid equations derived from the kinetic ones by taking velocity-space moments.
- The parallel heat flux q_k is taken into account.

 $n_{0}\partial_{t}T_{\mathbf{k}} + ik_{\parallel}(2n_{0}T_{i}u_{\mathbf{k}} + q_{\mathbf{k}}) - i \qquad \text{where} \qquad n_{\mathbf{k}}(t) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dv_{\parallel}f_{\mathbf{k}}(v_{\parallel}, t), \qquad n_{0}u_{\mathbf{k}}(t) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dv_{\parallel}f_{\mathbf{k}}(v_{\parallel}, t), \qquad n_{0}u_{\mathbf{k}}(t) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dv_{\parallel}f_{\mathbf{k}}(v_{\parallel}, t)(m_{i}v_{\parallel}^{2} - T_{i}), \text{ and} \\ - \frac{n_{0}c}{B}\sum_{\mathbf{k}'+\mathbf{k}''=\mathbf{k}} \left[\mathbf{b} \cdot (\mathbf{k}' \times \mathbf{k}' + \mathbf{k}'') + \mathbf{b} \cdot (\mathbf{k}' \times \mathbf{k}'') + \mathbf{b$

$$\exp(-b_{\mathbf{k}}/2)n_{\mathbf{k}}-n_0\frac{e\phi_{\mathbf{k}}}{T_i}[1-\Gamma_0(b_{\mathbf{k}})]=\frac{e\phi_{\mathbf{k}}}{T_e}\quad(\text{for }k_{\parallel}\neq 0),$$

Fluid & Kinetic Entropy Balance

From the fluid equations,

$$\begin{split} \frac{d}{dt} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} n_0 \left(\frac{1}{2} \left| \frac{n_{\mathbf{k}}}{n_0} \right|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \left| \frac{u_{\mathbf{k}}}{v_t} \right|^2 + \frac{1}{4} \left| \frac{T_{\mathbf{k}}}{T_i} \right|^2 + \frac{T_e}{2T_i} \left| \frac{e \phi_{\mathbf{k}}}{T_e} \right|^2 \left[1 + \frac{T_e}{T_i} \{ 1 - \Gamma_0(b_{\mathbf{k}}) \} \right] \right) \\ &= \frac{\mathbf{q}_{\perp}}{T_i} \cdot \left(-\nabla \ln T_i \right) + \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{T_{\mathbf{k}}}{2T_i^2} i k_{\parallel} q_{\mathbf{k}}^* \right), \end{split}$$

From the kinetic equation and its Hermite expansion,

$$\begin{split} \frac{d}{dt} & \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left(\int dv_{\parallel} \frac{|f_{\mathbf{k}}|^2}{2F_M} + \frac{n_0 T_e}{2T_i} \left| \frac{e \phi_{\mathbf{k}}}{T_e} \right|^2 \left[1 + \frac{T_e}{T_i} \{ 1 - \Gamma_0(b_{\mathbf{k}}) \} \right] \right) \\ &= \frac{\mathbf{q}_{\perp}}{T_i} \cdot (-\nabla \ln T_i). \\ &= \frac{\mathbf{q}_{\perp}}{T_i} \cdot (-\nabla \ln T_i), \end{split}$$

Phase angle ξ between $T_k \& q_k$

Kinetic simulation results provide useful information for making a closure model



where $A_{\mathbf{k}}(\xi_{\mathbf{k}}) = |T_{\mathbf{k}}| |q_{\mathbf{k}}|$, $\Delta \xi = \pi/16$, and $\xi_i = -\pi + (i + \frac{1}{2}) \Delta \xi$

Zonal flow response in toroidal systems from a point of view of the entropy transfer

GK eqs. for toroidal flux tube GK ordering + Flute Reduction + Periodic (x,y) $\left|\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + v_{||}\hat{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla + \mathbf{v}_{d} \cdot \nabla - \mu \left(\hat{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \Omega\right) \frac{\partial}{\partial v_{||}} \right| \delta f + \frac{c}{B_{0}} \left\{\psi, \delta f\right\} = \left(\mathbf{v}_{*} - \mathbf{v}_{d} - v_{||}\hat{\mathbf{b}}\right) \cdot \frac{e\nabla\psi}{T_{*}} F_{M} + C\left(\delta f\right)$ Co-centric & Circular Flux Surface with Constant Shear and Gradients (for tokamak) $\mathbf{v}_{d} \cdot \nabla = -\frac{v_{\parallel}^{2} + \Omega_{0} \mu}{\Omega_{0} R_{0}} \left| \left(\cos \theta + \hat{s} \theta \sin \theta \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right|,$ $\mathbf{v}_{*} = -\frac{cT_{i}}{eL} \left[1 + \eta_{i} \left(\frac{mv^{2}}{2T_{i}} - \frac{3}{2} \right) \right] \hat{\mathbf{y}}, \mu = \frac{v_{\perp}^{2}}{2\Omega}$ Quasi-Neutrality + Adiabatic Electron $\int J_0(k_\perp v_\perp / \Omega) \partial f \, \mathrm{d}^3 \, v - \left[1 - \Gamma_0(k_\perp^2)\right] \frac{e\phi}{T} = \frac{e}{T} \left(\phi - \left\langle\phi\right\rangle_{\mathrm{FS}}\right) k_\perp^2 = \left(k_x + \hat{s}\,\theta k_y\right)^2 + k_y^2$

Collisionless Damping of Zonal Flow in Tokamak

- Consider the linearized GK equation for the zonal flow component of *n*=0.
- Initial value problem for *n*=0 mode with δf(t=0)=F_M
- The residual zonal flow is important to regulating turbulent transport
 (Rosenbluth & Hinton, 1998)

Residual Zonal Flow (response kernel)

$$K = \frac{\left\langle \phi_{k_x}(t=\infty) \right\rangle}{\left\langle \phi_{k_x}(t=0) \right\rangle} \approx \frac{1}{1+1.6q^2 / \varepsilon^{1/2}}$$



Conservation Law for the Zonal Flow (*n*=0) Components

From the gyrokinetic equation for k_u=0,

$$\frac{dG}{dt} \equiv \frac{d}{dt} \left(\delta S_{k_x} + W_{k_x} \right) = 0$$

... Subset of the entropy balance equation

$$\delta S = \left\langle \int d^3 v \left| \tilde{f}_{k_x} \right|^2 / 2F_M \right\rangle$$
$$W = \frac{1}{2} \left\langle \left(1 - \Gamma_0(k^2) + \frac{T_i}{T_e} \right) \left| \Phi_{k_x} \right|^2 \right\rangle - \frac{T_i}{2T_e} \left| \left\langle \Phi_{k_x} \right\rangle \right|^2$$



Entropy variable δS increases during the zonal flow damping.

Velocity-Space Structures of f during the ZF Damping Decrease of W_{kx} with the invariant G means increase of δS_{kx} as well as generation of fine-scale structures of f due to phase mixing by passing particles <=> Entropy transfer in the v-space



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Collisionless Response of Zonal Flows in Helical System • Radial drift motion of helical-ripple-trapped particles causes additional polarization effect of the zonal flow potential due to the phase mixing, and influences its response function. Long-time Response Function for the initial Maxwellian

$$\mathcal{K}_{L}(t) \equiv \frac{1 - (2/\pi) \langle (2\epsilon_{H})^{1/2} \{ 1 - g_{i1}(t,\theta) \} \rangle}{1 + G + \mathcal{E}(t) / (n_{0} \langle k_{\perp}^{2} a_{i}^{2} \rangle)}$$

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{E}(t) = \left\langle \int_{\kappa^2 < 1} d^3 v F_{i0} J_0^2 (1 - e^{-ik_r \bar{v}_{dri} t}) \right\rangle \\ + \frac{T_i}{T_e} \left\langle \int_{\kappa^2 < 1} d^3 v F_{e0} (1 - e^{-ik_r \bar{v}_{dre} t}) \right\rangle \end{split}$$

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Simulation of Zonal Flow Damping in Helical Systems



Radial drift of helical-rippletrapped particles is found as well as the ballistic-like motion of passing particles.



Entropy balance in toroidal ITG/ETG turbulence

Entropy Balance Eq, Again

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \sum_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}} \left[\sum_{a} T_{a} \left\langle \left| \int d^{3}v \frac{|\delta f_{a\mathbf{k}_{\perp}}|^{2}}{2f_{aM}} \right\rangle \right\rangle + \frac{1}{8\pi} \langle \langle |\mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}}|^{2} + |\mathbf{B}_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}}|^{2} \rangle \rangle \right] \\ &= \sum_{a} T_{a} (J_{a1}^{A} X_{a1}^{A} + J_{a2}^{A} X_{a2}^{A}) \\ &+ \sum_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}} \sum_{a,b} T_{a} \left\langle \left| \int d^{3}v \frac{\delta f_{a\mathbf{k}_{\perp}}^{*}}{f_{aM}} C_{ab}^{L} (\delta f_{a\mathbf{k}_{\perp}}, \delta f_{b\mathbf{k}_{\perp}}) \right\rangle \right\rangle \\ \left[J_{a1}^{A}, J_{a2}^{A} \right] &= \left[\Gamma_{a}^{A}, \frac{q_{a}^{A}}{T_{a}} \right] = \operatorname{Re} \left\langle \left| \int d^{3}v \left[1, \left(x_{a}^{2} - \frac{5}{2} \right) \right] \times \sum_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}} h_{a\mathbf{k}_{\perp}}^{*} \left(-i \frac{c}{B} \psi_{a\mathbf{k}_{\perp}} \mathbf{k}_{\perp} \times \mathbf{b} \right) \cdot \nabla s \right\rangle \\ \left[X_{a1}^{A}, X_{a2}^{A} \right] &= \left[-\frac{\partial \ln p_{a}}{\partial s} - \frac{e_{a}}{T_{a}} \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial s}, -\frac{\partial \ln T_{a}}{\partial s} \right] \end{split}$$

Entropy Balance in Tokamak ITG Turbulence



The steady and constant transport flux is obtained with satisfying the entropy balance, which enables one to accurately evaluate χ_i.

The perturbed distribution function shows fine velocityspace structures far from the Maxwellian.





Entropy Transfer to ZFs

Consider

$$\sum_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}} = \sum_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}(\mathbf{Z})} + \sum_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}(\mathbf{NZ})}$$

- Self-adjointness of the collision operator guarantees the collisional dissipation $D_i < 0$ for each *k*.
- Thus, the entropy transfer function $T(NZ \rightarrow Z) > 0$ in the statistically steady turbulence

(Sugama, Watanabe & Nunami, 2009)

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$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\sum_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}(\mathbf{NZ})} \left[\sum_{a} T_{a} \left\| \int d^{3}v \frac{|\delta f_{a\mathbf{k}_{\perp}}|^{2}}{2f_{aM}} \right\| + \frac{1}{8\pi} \langle \langle |\mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}}|^{2} + |\mathbf{B}_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}}|^{2} \rangle \rangle \right]$$

$$= \sum_{a} T_{a} (J_{a1}^{A} X_{a1}^{A} + J_{a2}^{A} X_{a2}^{A}) - (\mathbf{NZ} \to \mathbf{Z})$$

$$+ \sum_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}(\mathbf{NZ})} \sum_{a,b} T_{a} \left\| \int d^{3}v \frac{\delta f_{a\mathbf{k}_{\perp}}^{*}}{f_{aM}} C_{ab}^{L} (\delta f_{a\mathbf{k}_{\perp}}, \delta f_{b\mathbf{k}_{\perp}}) \right\|, \quad (67)$$

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$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \sum_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}(\mathbf{Z})} \left[\sum_{a} T_{a} \left\| \int d^{3}v \frac{|\delta f_{a\mathbf{k}_{\perp}}|^{2}}{2f_{aM}} \right\| + \frac{1}{8\pi} \langle \langle |\mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}}|^{2} + |\mathbf{B}_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}}|^{2} \rangle \right]$$

$$= \overline{T(\mathbf{NZ} \to \mathbf{Z})} + \sum_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}(\mathbf{Z})} \sum_{a,b} T_{a}$$

$$\times \left\| \int d^{3}v \frac{\delta f_{a\mathbf{k}_{\perp}}^{*}}{f_{aM}} C_{ab}^{L} (\delta f_{a\mathbf{k}_{\perp}}, \delta f_{b\mathbf{k}_{\perp}}) \right\|, \qquad (68)$$

Entropy Transfer Function

Entropy transfer from non-zonal to zonal modes

$$\mathcal{T}(\mathrm{NZ} \to \mathrm{Z}) \equiv \sum_{a} T_{a} \left\langle \left\langle \frac{c}{B} \sum_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}(\mathrm{Z})} \sum_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}'(\mathrm{NZ})} \sum_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}''(\mathrm{NZ})} \delta_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}' + \mathbf{k}_{\perp}'', \mathbf{k}} \left[\mathbf{b} \cdot (\mathbf{k}_{\perp}' \times \mathbf{k}_{\perp}'') \right] \int d^{3}v \frac{1}{f_{aM}} \mathrm{Re}[\psi_{a\mathbf{k}_{\perp}'} h_{a\mathbf{k}_{\perp}''} h_{a\mathbf{k}_{\perp}'} h_{a\mathbf{k}_{\perp}'}] \right\rangle \right\rangle$$

In the fluid limit with cold ions,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{T}(\mathrm{NZ} \to \mathrm{Z}) &\simeq \left\langle \left\langle \frac{n_0 m_i c^3}{2B^3} \sum_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}(\mathrm{Z})} \sum_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}'(\mathrm{NZ})} \sum_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}''(\mathrm{NZ})} \delta_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}' + \mathbf{k}_{\perp}'', \mathbf{k}} [\mathbf{b} \cdot (\mathbf{k}_{\perp}' \times \mathbf{k}_{\perp}'')] [(k_{\perp}'')^2 - (k_{\perp}')^2] \mathrm{Re}[\phi_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}'} \phi_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}'}] \right\rangle \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \left\langle \left\langle \sum_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}(\mathrm{Z})} \sum_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}'(\mathrm{NZ})} \sum_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}''(\mathrm{NZ})} \delta_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}' + \mathbf{k}_{\perp}'', \mathbf{k}} \right| \mathrm{Re}[\mathbf{v}_{E\mathbf{k}_{\perp}'} \mathbf{v}_{E\mathbf{k}_{\perp}'}] : (i\mathbf{k}_{\perp} \mathbf{v}_{E\mathbf{k}_{\perp}})^*] \right\rangle \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

represents product of the Reynolds stress due to the nonzonal ExB drift velocity and the zonal ExB flow shear.

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ITG and ETG turbulence simulations

Time evolutions of heat diffusivity and potential fluctuation



toroidal ITGs





toroidal ETGs









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Entropy balance relation: Turbulence part

• Comparison of entropy balance in toroidal ITG and ETG turbulence $\frac{d}{dt} \left(\delta S_{\text{trb}} + W_{\text{trb}}\right) = \eta_{\text{s}} Q_{\text{s}} + D_{\text{trb}} - T_{(\text{trb} \to \text{zf})}, \quad \overline{\eta_{\text{s}} Q_{\text{s}}} - \overline{T_{(\text{trb} \to \text{zf})}} = -\overline{D_{\text{trb}}}$



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Entropy balance relation: Zonal flow part

Comparison of entropy balance in toroidal ITG and ETG turbulence.

 $\frac{d}{dt} \left(\delta S_{\rm zf} + W_{\rm zf} \right) = T_{\rm (trb \to zf)} + D_{\rm zf}, \quad \overline{T_{\rm (trb \to zf)}} = -\overline{D_{\rm zf}} > 0$



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Summary

- We discussed entropy production, transfer, and dissipation processes in plasma turbulence and zonal flows.
 - Entropy balance eq. describes transfer of the entropy variable in the phase space, and provides us a good measure for the steady and quasi-steady states of plasma turbulent transport and zonal flow dynamics.
 - Entropy transfer from macro to micro scales through the "inertial sub-range" is related to generation of fine-scale structures of *f* by shear operators.
 - ZF damping and generation are described as entropy transfer processes in the phase space (*l*- and *k*-spaces, respectively).

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