

§17. Effects of Electrostatic Fluctuations on Neoclassical Transport

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We start from an ensemble-averaged kinetic equation :

$$\frac{\partial f_a}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla f_a + \frac{e_a}{m_a} \left(\mathbf{E} + \frac{1}{c} \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B} \right) \cdot \frac{\partial f_a}{\partial \mathbf{v}} = C_a + \mathcal{D}_a$$

where C_a is a collision term and \mathcal{D}_a is fluctuation-averaged term defined by

$$\mathcal{D}_a = -\frac{e_a}{m_a} \left\langle \hat{\mathbf{E}} \cdot \frac{\partial \hat{f}_a}{\partial \mathbf{v}} \right\rangle_{ens}, \quad \hat{\mathbf{E}} = -\nabla \hat{\phi}.$$

Here the distribution function (the electric field) is devived into the average part $f_a(\mathbf{E})$ and the fluctuating part $\hat{f}_a(\hat{\mathbf{E}})$. The forces resulting from the fluctuation term are given by

$$\mathbf{K}_{a1} = \int d^3v \mathcal{D}_a m_a \mathbf{v} = e_a \langle \hat{n}_a \hat{\mathbf{E}} \rangle_{ens}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{K}_{a2} &= \int d^3v \mathcal{D}_a m_a \mathbf{v} \left(\frac{m_a v^2}{T_a} - \frac{5}{2} \right) \left(\frac{dP}{d\psi} \right)^{(m)} = \frac{dP}{d\psi} + \frac{\chi'}{2\pi I c} \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{5}} \tilde{\alpha}_{\parallel} \frac{\tau_e}{m_e} \langle \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{K}_{e2} \rangle + n_e \langle B^2 \rangle (W_{e1} - W_{i1}) \right) \\ &= \frac{e_a}{T_a} \left\langle \frac{5}{2} (\hat{p}_a - \hat{n}_a T_a) \hat{\mathbf{E}} + \hat{\pi}_a \cdot \hat{\mathbf{E}} \right\rangle_{ens} \end{aligned} \left(\frac{dT_a}{d\psi} \right)^{(m)} = \frac{dT_a}{d\psi} + \frac{\chi'}{2\pi I c} \left(\frac{2}{5} \tilde{\kappa}_{\parallel}^a \frac{\tau_a}{n_a m_a} \langle \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{K}_{a2} \rangle - \langle B^2 \rangle W_{a2} \right)$$

where we defined the fluctuating density and pressure (scalar and stress parts) as

$$\hat{n}_a = \int d^3v \hat{f}_a, \quad \hat{p}_a = \frac{1}{3} \int d^3v \hat{f}_a m_a v^2$$

$$\hat{\pi}_a = \frac{1}{3} \int d^3v \hat{f}_a m_a \left(\mathbf{v} \mathbf{v} - \frac{1}{3} v^2 \mathbf{1} \right).$$

Consider axisymmetric systems such as tokamaks, for which the magnetic field is given by

$$\mathbf{B} = I \nabla \zeta + \frac{1}{2\pi} \nabla \zeta \times \nabla \chi.$$

The anomalous transport induced by the perpendicular fluctuation forces are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathbf{I}_a \cdot \nabla \psi \rangle^{anom} &= \left\langle \frac{\nabla \psi}{m_a \Omega_a} \cdot (\mathbf{K}_{a1} \times \mathbf{n}) \right\rangle \\ T_a^{-1} \langle \mathbf{q}_a \cdot \nabla \psi \rangle^{anom} &= \left\langle \frac{\nabla \psi}{m_a \Omega_a} \cdot (\mathbf{K}_{a2} \times \mathbf{n}) \right\rangle. \end{aligned}$$

The Pfirsch-Schlüter fluxes induced by the parallel fluctuation forces are given by

$$\langle \mathbf{I}_a \cdot \nabla \psi \rangle_{PS}^{anom} = -\frac{2\pi}{\chi'} \left\langle \frac{\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{K}_{a1}}{m_a \Omega_a} \left(I - \langle I \rangle \frac{B^2}{\langle B^2 \rangle} \right) \right\rangle$$

$$T_a^{-1} \langle \mathbf{q}_a \cdot \nabla \psi \rangle_{PS}^{anom} = -\frac{2\pi}{\chi'} \left\langle \frac{\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{K}_{a2}}{m_a \Omega_a} \left(I - \langle I \rangle \frac{B^2}{\langle B^2 \rangle} \right) \right\rangle.$$

The banana-plateau transport equations including the effects of the fluctuations are written as

$$\begin{bmatrix} \langle \mathbf{I}_e \cdot \nabla \psi \rangle_{bp} \\ \langle \mathbf{q}_e \cdot \nabla \psi \rangle_{bp} \\ \langle \mathbf{q}_i \cdot \nabla \psi \rangle_{bp} \\ \langle B^2 \rangle^{-1/2} \langle B j_{\parallel} \rangle^{(m)} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{L} \begin{bmatrix} -n_e^{-1} (dP/d\psi)^{(m)} \\ -T_e^{-1} (dT_e/d\psi)^{(m)} \\ -T_i^{-1} (dT_i/d\psi)^{(m)} \\ \langle B^2 \rangle^{-1/2} \langle B E_{\parallel}^{(A)} \rangle^{(m)} \end{bmatrix}$$

where the fluxes and forces are defined by

$$\langle \mathbf{I}_a \cdot \nabla \psi \rangle_{bp} = -\frac{2\pi I c \langle \mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla \cdot \pi_a \rangle}{\chi' e_a \langle B^2 \rangle}$$

$$T_a^{-1} \langle \mathbf{q}_a \cdot \nabla \psi \rangle_{bp} = -\frac{2\pi I c \langle \mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla \cdot \Theta_a \rangle}{\chi' e_a \langle B^2 \rangle}$$

$$\langle B j_{\parallel} \rangle^{(m)} = \langle B j_{\parallel} \rangle - \frac{n_e e^2 \tau_e}{m_e} \tilde{\sigma}_{\parallel} \langle B E_{\parallel} \rangle^{(m)} - \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}} \tilde{\alpha}_{\parallel} \frac{e \tau_e}{m_e} \langle \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{K}_{e2} \rangle$$

$$\left(\frac{dP}{d\psi} \right)^{(m)} = \frac{dP}{d\psi} + \frac{\chi'}{2\pi I c} \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{5}} \tilde{\alpha}_{\parallel} \frac{\tau_e}{m_e} \langle \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{K}_{e2} \rangle + n_e \langle B^2 \rangle (W_{e1} - W_{i1}) \right)$$

$$\left(\frac{dT_a}{d\psi} \right)^{(m)} = \frac{dT_a}{d\psi} + \frac{\chi'}{2\pi I c} \left(\frac{2}{5} \tilde{\kappa}_{\parallel}^a \frac{\tau_a}{n_a m_a} \langle \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{K}_{a2} \rangle - \langle B^2 \rangle W_{a2} \right)$$

$$\langle B E_{\parallel}^{(A)} \rangle^{(m)} = \langle B E_{\parallel}^{(A)} \rangle - (n_e e)^{-1} \langle \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{K}_{e1} \rangle.$$

Here W_{aj} ($a = e, i; j = 1, 2$) represents the corrections of the relations between the parallel viscosities and the poloidal flows due to \mathcal{D}_a . The transport matrix is the same as the standard neoclassical one and is given by

$$\mathbf{L} = \frac{n_e \rho_e^2}{2 T_e \tau_e} \left(\frac{2\pi I}{\chi'} \right)^2 \varphi \mathbf{D} \begin{bmatrix} l_{11}^{ee} & l_{13}^{ee} & l_{13}^{ei} & l_{1E}^{ee} \\ l_{31}^{ee} & l_{33}^{ee} & l_{33}^{ei} & l_{3E}^{ee} \\ l_{31}^{ie} & l_{33}^{ie} & A_{33}^{ii} & l_{3E}^{ie} \\ l_{E1}^{ee} & l_{E3}^{ee} & l_{E3}^{ei} & l_{EE}^{ee} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{D}$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \text{diag} \left(1, \sqrt{\frac{5}{2}} T_e, \sqrt{\frac{5}{2}} \frac{T_i}{Z}, -e \frac{\chi'}{2\pi I} |\Omega_e| \tau_e \right)$$

where the dimensionless coefficients φ , A , l_{11}^{ee}, \dots are given in Ref.[1].

References

- [1] R. Balescu : *Transport Processes in Plasmas* (North-Holland, Amsterdam, 1988), Vol. 2.