

1 Magnetohydrodynamics (MHD)

Liouville Eq.

($6N$ Dimensional phase space)

BBGKY

Boltzmann Eq

Braginskii (65)

Fluid Eqs
(with transport)

MHD Eqs

8 Eqs for 8 components

(Mass)
Continuity : $\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{v}) = 0$ (1)

Momentum : $\rho \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} + \rho \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v} = -\nabla p + \frac{(\mathbf{D} \times \mathbf{B}) \times \mathbf{B}}{4\pi}$ (2)

Energy : $\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{P}{\rho^{\gamma}} \right) = 0 \quad (\gamma = 5/3)$ (3)

(magnetic)
Field : $\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}) + \frac{\eta c^2}{4\pi} \nabla^2 \mathbf{B}$ (4)

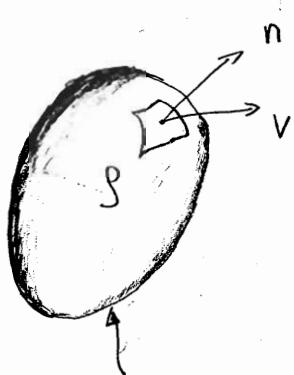
resistivity

Continuity Eq.

Heuristic Derivation

change

Net gain



fixed volume V

with surface $S = \partial V$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left[\int_V \rho dV \right] = - \int_S \rho v \cdot dS$$

Stokes's Theorem

$$- \int_V \nabla \cdot (\rho v) dV$$

$$V \text{ is arbitrary} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho v) = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla$$



Time derivative

along fluid element

$$\frac{d\rho}{dt} + \rho \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$$

Momentum Eq. Heuristic derivation

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \oint \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} = -\nabla p + \frac{\vec{j} \times \mathbf{B}}{c} \\ \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j} = \nabla \times \mathbf{B} \end{array} \right. \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{No displacement current} \\ \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} \end{array} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \oint \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} = -\nabla p + \frac{(\nabla \times \mathbf{B}) \times \mathbf{B}}{4\pi c}$$

$$= -\nabla p - \nabla \frac{B^2}{8\pi} + \frac{\mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{B}}{4\pi}$$

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magnetic pressure (\parallel & \perp)

?

$\nabla (\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{B}) = 2 \left[\mathbf{B} \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{B}) + \mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{B} \right]$

Not really

$$\vec{B} \cdot \nabla \vec{B} = B \vec{b} \cdot \nabla (\vec{b} \cdot \vec{B}) = B^2 \underbrace{\vec{b} \cdot \nabla \vec{b}}_{\kappa} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{b} \cdot \nabla \frac{B^2}{2}$$

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Curvature

$$\frac{\vec{j} \times \mathbf{B}}{c} = \frac{(\nabla \times \mathbf{B}) \times \mathbf{B}}{4\pi} = \kappa \frac{B^2}{4\pi} - \nabla_{\perp} \frac{B^2}{8\pi}$$

Bending force

pressure force

Momentum Eq. in Conservative form

$$\frac{\partial(\rho v)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot T = 0$$

magnetic pressure

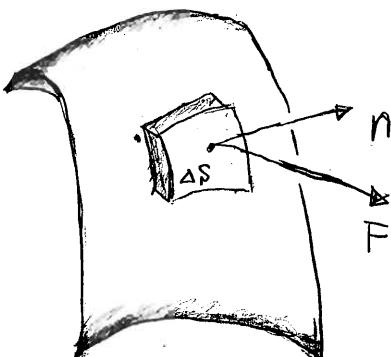
$$T = \rho \vec{v} \vec{v} + (P + \frac{B^2}{8\pi}) \vec{I} - \frac{\vec{B} \vec{B}}{4\pi}$$

↑
stress tensor

↑
Reynolds
stress

↑
magnetic
stress

why the
name "stress"?



$$\frac{\vec{F}}{\Delta S} = \vec{T} \cdot \vec{n}$$

Force
Area

$$\nabla \cdot T = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left[\rho v_i v_j + \left(P + \frac{B^2}{8\pi} \right) \delta_{ij} - \frac{B_i B_j}{4\pi} \right]$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left[\rho v_i v_j \right] = \rho_{,ij} v_i v_j + \rho v_{i,i} v_j + \rho v_i v_{j,i}$$

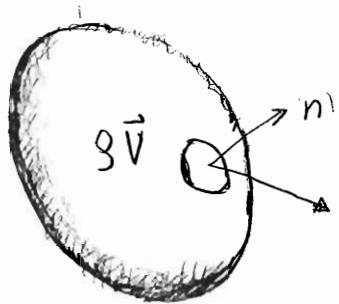
$$= \nabla \cdot (V \cdot \nabla) \rho + \rho V \cdot \nabla \cdot V + \rho V \cdot \nabla V$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left[\left(P + \frac{B^2}{8\pi} \right) \delta_{ij} \right] = \nabla \cdot \left(P + \frac{B^2}{8\pi} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \frac{B_i B_j}{4\pi} &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[B_{i,i} B_j + B_i B_{j,i} \right] \\ &= \underbrace{\frac{1}{4\pi} (\nabla \cdot B) B}_0 + \frac{1}{4\pi} (B \cdot \nabla) B \end{aligned}$$

0, continuity Eq.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial(\rho v)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot T &= \underbrace{\nabla \cdot \rho_t}_{+} + \underbrace{\rho v_t}_{+} + \underbrace{\nabla \cdot (V \cdot \nabla) \rho}_{+} + \underbrace{\rho V \cdot \nabla V}_{+} \\ &\quad + \rho V \cdot \nabla V + \nabla \cdot \left(P + \frac{B^2}{8\pi} \right) - \frac{1}{4\pi} (B \cdot \nabla) B \\ &= \rho \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \rho V \cdot \nabla V + \nabla \cdot \left(P + \frac{B^2}{8\pi} \right) - \frac{1}{4\pi} (B \cdot \nabla) B \\ &= \rho \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \rho V \cdot \nabla V + \nabla P - \underbrace{\frac{1}{4\pi} (B \times B) \times B}_{+} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$



$T \cdot n$: flux of momentum

global
conservative
form

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_V g \bar{v} d^3x = - \int_S P \cdot n ds$$

|| ← Stokes's Theorem

$$- \int_V \nabla \cdot T d^3x$$

$$\frac{\partial (\rho \vec{v})}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \vec{T} = 0$$

local conservative
form

Stokes's Theorem in general form:

$$\int_V d\omega = \int_{\partial V} \omega$$

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 (P+1)-form P-form

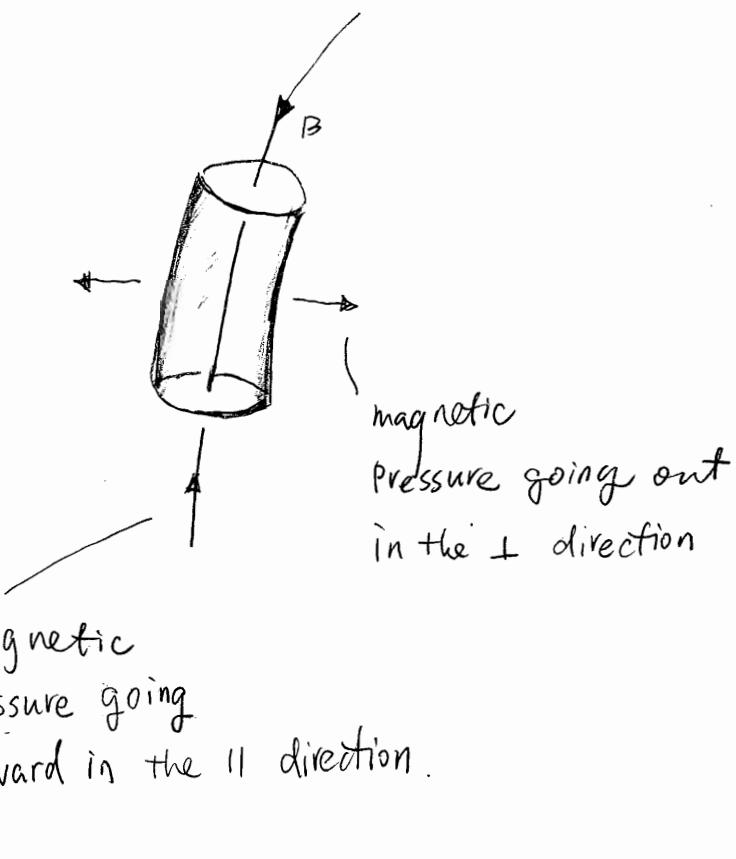
Question:

Take a Cartesian coordinate, that $B \parallel \hat{e}_z$

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} P_{\perp} & & \\ & P_{\perp} & \\ & & P_{\parallel} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P_{\perp} = P + \frac{B^2}{8\pi c}$$

$$P_{\parallel} = P - \frac{B^2}{8\pi c}$$



This is wrong! Why?

Energy Eq:

Heuristic Derivation:

(drop)

Consider a fluid element; Assume No heat flow,
(adiabatic)



$$dE = -PdV + T \downarrow dS$$

with $PV = NT$

$$E = \frac{3}{2} NT$$

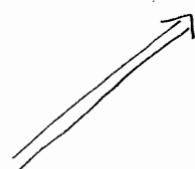
$$\begin{cases} dE = -PdV \\ dE = \frac{3}{2} NdT \end{cases} \Rightarrow \frac{\frac{3}{2} NdT}{NT} = -\frac{PdV}{NT}$$

$$\frac{3}{2} \frac{dT}{T} = -\frac{dV}{V}$$

$$PV = NT \Rightarrow \frac{dP}{P} = \frac{dT}{T} - \frac{dV}{V}$$

$$\frac{dP}{P} = -\frac{5}{3} \frac{dV}{V}$$

$$= +\frac{5}{3} \frac{dP}{P}$$



$\rho V = \text{const}$

$$P = P^{5/3} \text{ const}$$



$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{P}{\rho^\gamma} \right) = 0$$

$$\gamma = 5/3$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{P}{\rho^\gamma} \right) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{1}{\rho^\gamma} \left[\frac{dP}{dt} \right] - \frac{\gamma P}{\rho^{\gamma+1}} \underbrace{\frac{d}{dt} \rho}_{\parallel \leftarrow \text{Continuity}} = 0$$

- $\rho \nabla \cdot V$

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$$\frac{dP}{dt} + \gamma P \nabla \cdot V = 0$$

with finite resistivity?

$$\frac{d\rho}{dt} + \gamma \rho \nabla \cdot V = (\gamma - 1) \eta j^2$$

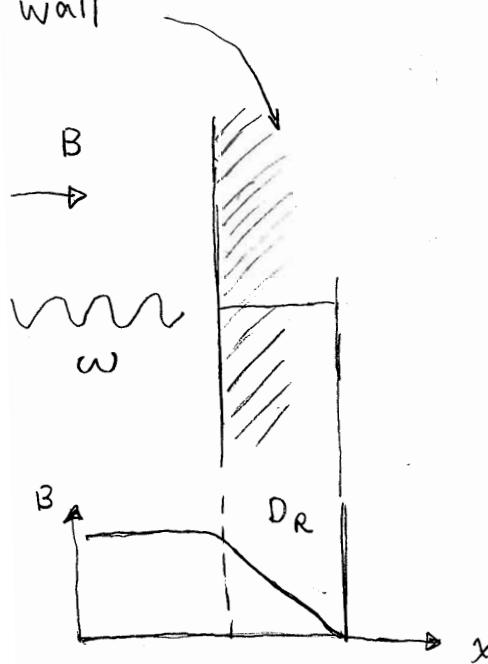
Magnetic Field Eq.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = -c \nabla \times \vec{E} \\ \vec{E} + \frac{\nabla \times \vec{B}}{c} = \eta \vec{j} \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{B}) - c \eta \nabla \times \vec{j}$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{j} = \frac{c}{4\pi} \nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{B}) = \frac{c}{4\pi} \left[\nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{B}) - \nabla^2 \vec{B} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{B}) + \boxed{\frac{c^2 \eta}{4\pi} \nabla^2 \vec{B}}$$

Conducting wall



$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \eta = 0 \quad \text{— ideal MHD} \\ \eta \neq 0 \quad \text{— resistive MHD} \end{array} \right.$

Diffusion

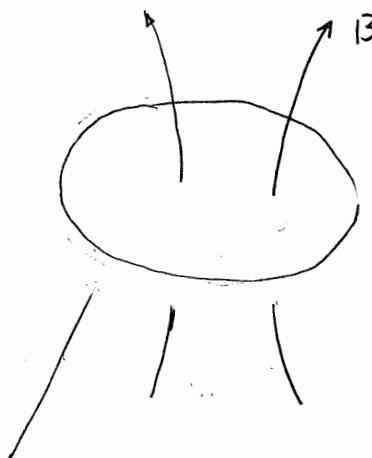
$$\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \sim \frac{c^2 \eta}{4\pi} \nabla^2 \vec{B}$$

$$\omega B \sim \frac{c^2 \eta}{4\pi} \frac{B}{D_R^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow D_R = \sqrt{\frac{c^2 \eta}{4\pi \omega}}$$

skin depth

Frozen-in Law: For ideal MHD

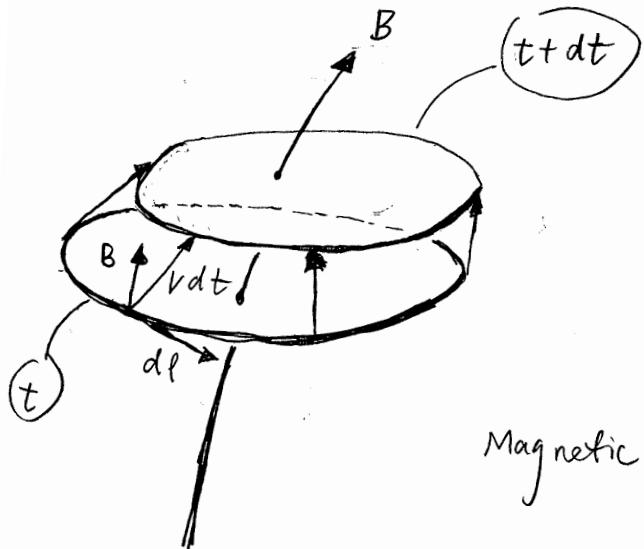


$$\int_S \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \psi$$

$$\boxed{\frac{d\psi}{dt} = 0}$$

Fluid-element
ring

Proof:



Magnetic eq.

$$\frac{d\psi}{dt} = \int_S \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \cdot d\vec{s} + \int_{\partial S} \mathbf{B} \cdot [\mathbf{V} \times d\mathbf{l}]$$

$$= \int_S \nabla \times (\mathbf{V} \times \mathbf{B}) \cdot d\vec{s} + \int_{\partial S} (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{V}) \cdot d\mathbf{l}$$

$$= \int_{\partial S} (\mathbf{V} \times \mathbf{B}) \cdot d\mathbf{l} + \int_{\partial S} (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{V}) \cdot d\mathbf{l}$$

$$= 0$$



Energy Eq. in conservative form

$$\frac{\partial W}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \vec{S} = 0$$

with $W = \frac{1}{2} \rho v^2 + \frac{B^2}{8\pi} + \frac{P}{\gamma-1}$

$$\vec{S} = \left(\frac{1}{2} \rho v^2 + \frac{P\gamma}{\gamma-1} \right) \vec{V} + \frac{B \times (V \times B)}{4\pi}$$

Proof

①

②

③

④

$$\frac{\partial W}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{2} \rho, t V^2 + \rho \vec{V} \cdot \vec{V}, t + \frac{\vec{B} \cdot \vec{B}, t}{4\pi} + \frac{1}{\gamma-1} \frac{\partial P}{\partial t}$$

⑤

⑥

⑦

$$V \times \nabla \times V + V \cdot \nabla V$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{S} = \frac{1}{2} \rho, t V^2 \nabla \cdot V + \vec{V} \cdot \nabla \rho \frac{V^2}{2} + \rho \vec{V} \cdot \frac{\nabla (V \cdot V)}{2}$$

$$+ \left(\nabla P \cdot \vec{V} + P \nabla \cdot \vec{V} \right) \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} + \frac{\nabla \cdot (B \times (V \times B))}{4\pi}$$

⑩

$$- \frac{B \cdot \nabla \times (V \times B)}{4\pi} + \frac{(V \times B) \cdot \nabla \times B}{4\pi}$$

① + ⑤ + ⑥ = 0 : continuity Eq.

③ + ⑩ = 0 : magnetic Eq.

$$(2) + (7) + (11) = - \underbrace{v \cdot \nabla p}_{(12)} \Leftarrow \text{Momentum Eq.}$$

$$(4) + (8) + (9) + (12) = 0 \Leftarrow \frac{dp}{dt} + \sigma p \nabla \cdot v = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \vec{s} = 0 \quad \boxed{\text{}}$$

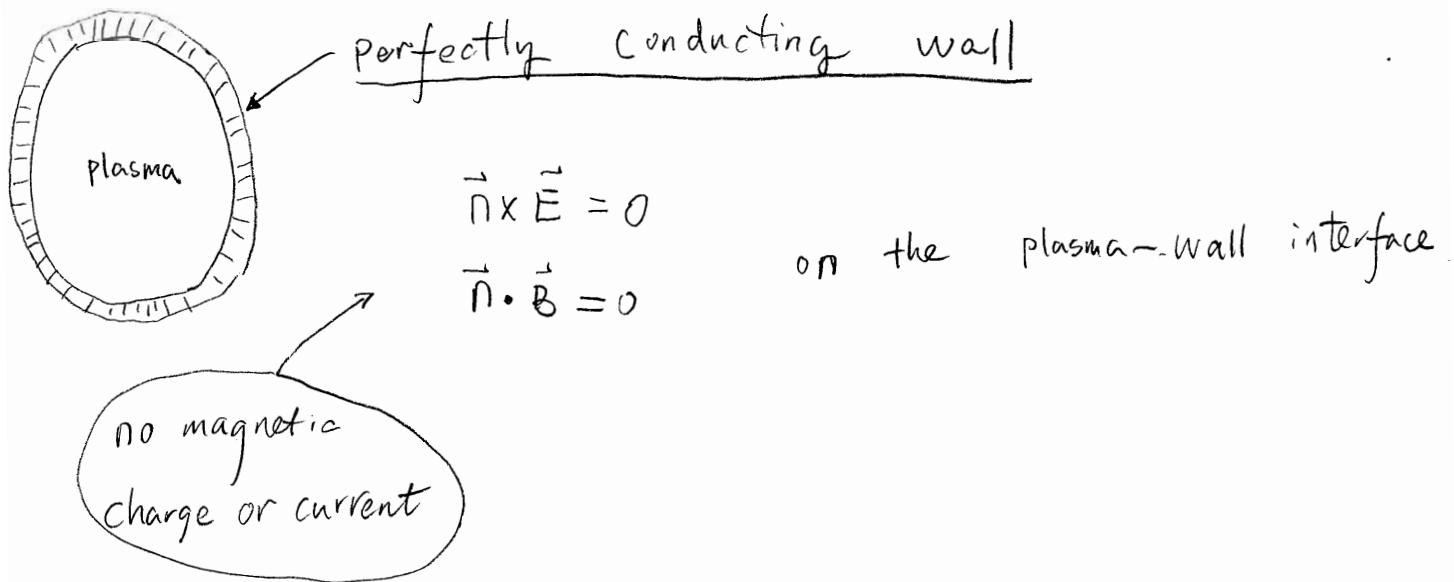
where is the electric field energy in w ?

Ordered out because $E = \frac{V \times B}{c}$, $\frac{V}{c} \ll 1$,

If keep $\frac{E^2}{8\pi}$ in w , need to keep the displacement

current $\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial E}{\partial t}$

Boundary Conditions



$$E + \frac{V \times B}{C} = 0 \xrightarrow{n \times} n \times E + \frac{V}{C} (n \cdot B) - \frac{B}{C} (n \cdot V) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n \cdot V = 0 \quad \text{on the interface}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \vec{n} \times \vec{E} = 0 \\ \vec{n} \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \\ \vec{n} \cdot \vec{v} = 0 \end{array} \right\} \quad \text{Not independent, need only two.}$$

other B.Cs

$$n \cdot \left(E + \frac{V \times B}{C} \right) = 0, \quad \text{etc.}$$

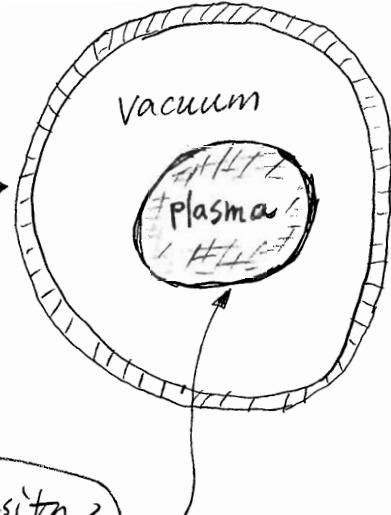
Plasma - Vacuum Boundary

$$[n \cdot B] = 0$$

$$[n \times B] = \frac{4\pi}{c} K$$

$$\left[P + \frac{B^2}{8\pi} \right] = 0$$

perfectly
conducting
wall



Free boundary

$$[\varrho] = \varrho_{vacuum} - \varrho_{plasma}$$

interface.

$$\text{Assume } B \cdot n \Big|_{\text{interface}} = 0$$

interface

Question:

Does ideal MHD ($\eta = 0$) imply $n \cdot B \Big|_{\text{interface}} = 0$?

Characteristic space-time scale length in ideal MHD:

$$E + \frac{V \times B}{c} = 0 \Rightarrow E \sim \frac{V}{c} B$$

$$\underbrace{\beta \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \beta V \cdot \nabla V}_{\Downarrow} = -\nabla p + \frac{(V \times B) \times B}{4\pi}$$

$$\beta \omega v \sim \frac{\kappa B^2}{4\pi} \Rightarrow \frac{\omega}{\kappa} v \sim \frac{B^2}{4\pi \beta} \sim V_A^2$$

For most Laboratory & space plasmas, $V_A \ll c$

$$\underbrace{\frac{4\pi}{c} j + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial E}{\partial t}}_{\nabla \times B} = 0$$

$$\frac{\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial E}{\partial t}}{\nabla \times B} \sim \frac{\frac{1}{c} \omega E}{\kappa B} \sim \frac{\omega}{\kappa} \frac{V}{c^2} \sim \frac{V_A^2}{c^2} \ll 1$$

\Rightarrow Displacement current can be ignored.

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put in higher order

How about $\nabla \cdot B = 0$?

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \cdot B) = \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{\partial B}{\partial t} \right) = -\nabla \cdot (c \nabla \times E) = 0$$

$\nabla \cdot B = 0$ is an initial condition.

$\nabla \cdot E = ?$

In MHD, $\nabla \cdot j = \nabla \times \frac{c \nabla \times B}{4\pi} = 0$

Then, should $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \cdot E = 0$ by conservation of charge?

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot j = 0$$

$$\nabla \cdot E = 4\pi \rho \rightarrow \uparrow \leftarrow \nabla \times B = \frac{4\pi j}{c} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial E}{\partial t}$$

$$\underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \cdot E}_{①} + c \nabla \cdot \nabla \times B - \underbrace{\nabla \cdot \frac{\partial E}{\partial t}}_{②} = 0$$

Dropping $\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial E}{\partial t}$ \Leftrightarrow Dropping $\nabla \cdot E$ in MHD Eq.

But, $\frac{\partial E}{\partial t} \neq 0$ and $\nabla \cdot E \neq 0$ in MHD Eq.

① & ② cancel in the next order.

It is a true statement that

Ideal MHD conserves charge only to $O\left(\frac{V_A^2}{c^2}\right)$ by ignoring the displacement current.

If $\frac{V_A^2}{c^2} \sim 1$ or exact charge conservation is important,

$\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial E}{\partial t}$ should be kept in the momentum Eq.

2 Rigorous derivation of MHD From

Boltzmann - Maxwell Eq

$$\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla f_i + \frac{q_i}{m_i} (\mathbf{E} + \frac{\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}}{c}) \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_i}{\partial \mathbf{v}} = \left(\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial t} \right)_c$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \sum_i q_i \int f_i v d^3 V + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = 4\pi \sum_i q_i \int f_i d^3 V$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial t} \right)_c = \sum_j C_{ij}$$

Take moments of the kinetic equation

$$\int \varrho_i [\text{Boltzmann Eq.}] d^3v$$

$$\varrho_1 = 1 \Rightarrow \text{continuity Eq.}$$

$$\varrho_2 = mv \Rightarrow \text{momentum Eq.} \quad \underline{\text{for each species}}$$

$$\varrho_3 = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 \Rightarrow \text{Energy Eq.}$$

Expressed in terms of Macroscopic quantities.

$$n(x,t) = \int f d^3v$$

$$\vec{V}(x,t) = \frac{1}{n} \int f v d^3v$$

$$P(x,t) = \frac{1}{3} m \int f v^2 d^3v$$

and

$$\Pi = \vec{P} - P \vec{I}, \quad \vec{P} = \int m f v v d^3v$$

$$h = \int \frac{1}{2}mv^2 \vec{v} d^3v$$

$$\vec{R} = \int m v C d^3v$$

$$\alpha = \int \frac{1}{2}mv^2 C d^3v$$

MHD scaling:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \omega \sim \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \sim \frac{V_{Ti}}{L} \\ k \sim \frac{1}{L} \\ V_{Ti} \sim V_A = \frac{B}{\sqrt{4\pi g}} \end{array} \right.$$

Assume:

① High collisionality:

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{l} \omega \tau_{ii} \ll 1 \\ \omega \tau_{ee} \ll 1 \end{array}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Pi \rightarrow 0$$

② Low velocity: $V_{Ti} \sim V_A \ll c \Rightarrow \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} \rightarrow 0$

③ Low frequency:

$$\boxed{\omega \ll \omega_c}$$

cyclotron
freq.

$$\Rightarrow L \gg r$$

↑
gyro-radius

$$\boxed{\omega \ll \omega_p}$$

plasma freq.

$$\sum q_i n_i = 0 \quad \Leftarrow$$

④ Low resistivity:

$$\boxed{\eta J \ll \frac{V \times B}{C}}, \quad \eta = \frac{m_e}{n e^2 \tau_{ei}}$$

under these conditions \Rightarrow MHD Eq.

However, (1) is never true for Fusion plasmas,
which are basically collisionless.

But, MHD seems to work very well. There

must be [another reason] that MHD Eqs. are
correct for collisionless plasmas.

Gyrokinetic Theory

Gyrokinetic ordering:
 $\frac{q}{L} \ll 1$
 $\omega \ll \Omega$

$$\nabla \cdot V = 0$$

collisionless MHD

Other Names:

Guiding Center plasma model;
drift - kinetic Theory.



$$[MHD] - [Momentum Eq]_{||} + \boxed{\nabla \cdot V = 0}$$

In collisionless MHD, the fast space-time scale of gyromotion provides the mechanism for isotropic pressure in the perpendicular direction.

