

Plasma-neutral momentum exchange and its applications to edge localized mode and toroidal rotation on tokamaks

Kwan Chul Lee

Korea Institute of Fusion Energy (KFE), Daejeon, Korea

May. 13, 2021 IAEA FEC 1247

Contents

1. Introduction (Gyro-Center Shift)

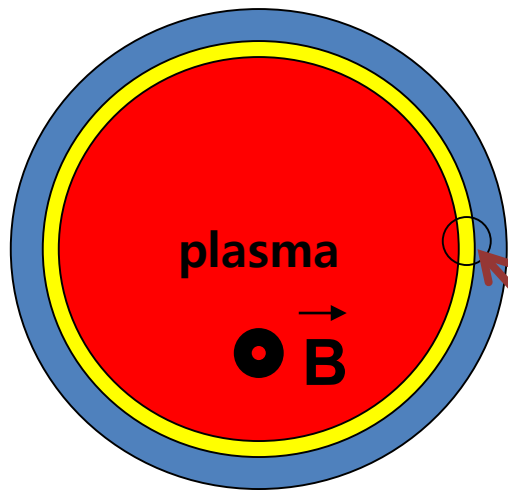
- E_r formation by plasma-neutral collisions

2. Similarity of black aurora and ELMs

3. Intrinsic rotation induced by neutrals

- Momentum transfer by Coulomb collisions
- Momentum transfer by plasma-neutral collisions
- Comparison with KSTAR measurement

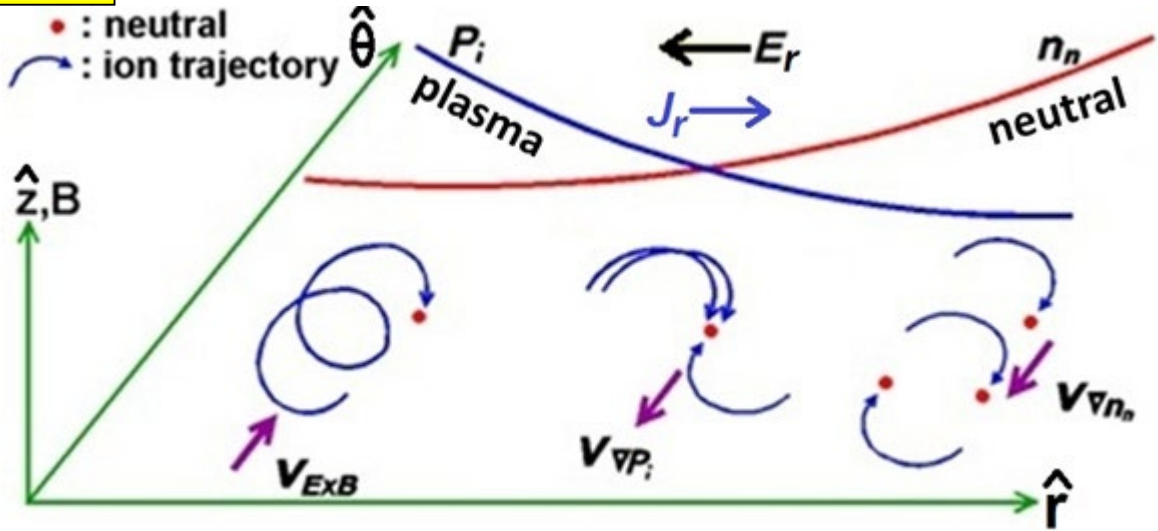
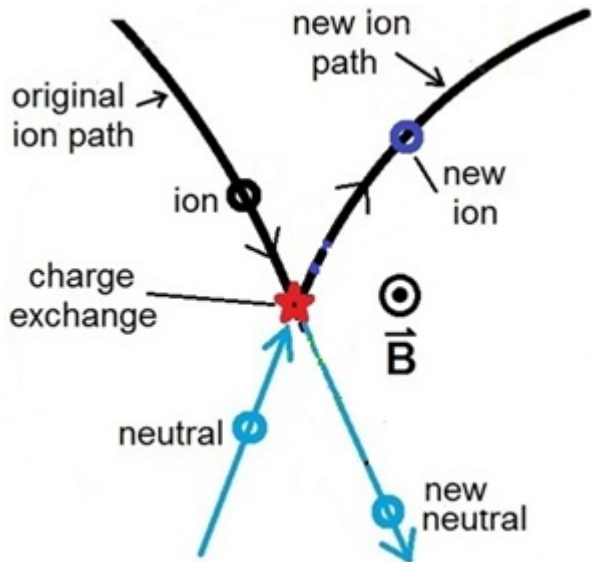
3. Conclusions



time dependent problem!
(conventional force is not balanced)

charge exchange

$$\vec{J} \times \vec{B} = n_i v_{i-n} m_i v^*$$

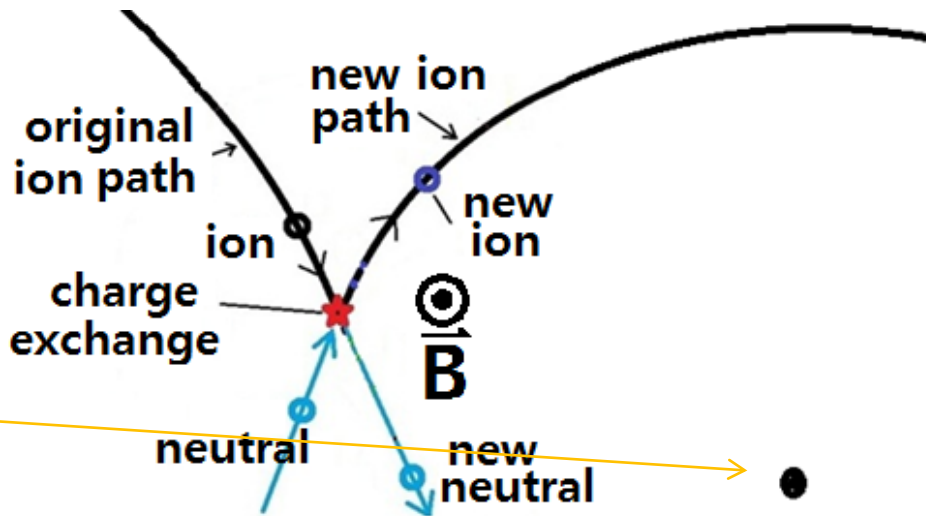


$$J_r^{GCS} = qn_i \frac{\sigma_{i-n} v_i n_n}{\omega_{ci}} \left[\frac{E}{B} - \frac{\nabla P_i}{qBn_i} + \frac{kT_i \nabla n_n}{qBn_n} \right] v^*$$

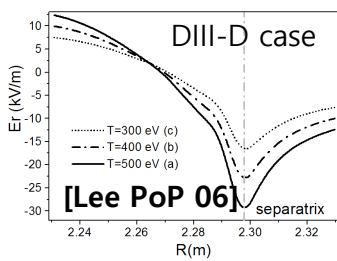
radial current by ion-neutral collision

introduction to Gyro-Center Shift (GCS) by ion-neutral collisions

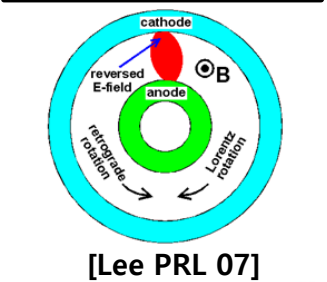
$$J_r^{GCS} = en_i \frac{r_{Li}}{\lambda_{i-n}} \left(\frac{E}{B} - \frac{1}{eB} \frac{\nabla P_i}{n_i} + \frac{kT_i}{eB} \frac{\nabla n_n}{n_n} \right),$$



Er well formation at tokamak edge

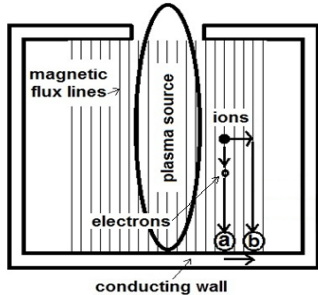


reverse motion of cathode spot in arc discharge



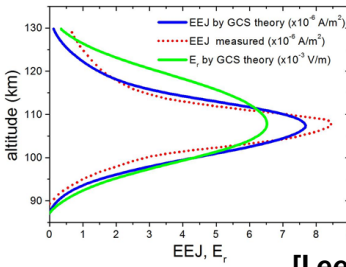
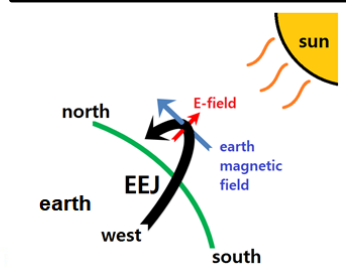
origin of Bohm diffusions

$$D_B = \frac{1}{16} \frac{kT_e}{eB}$$

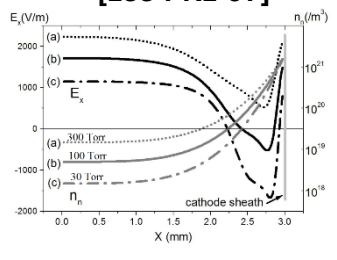
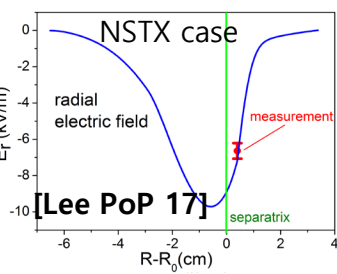
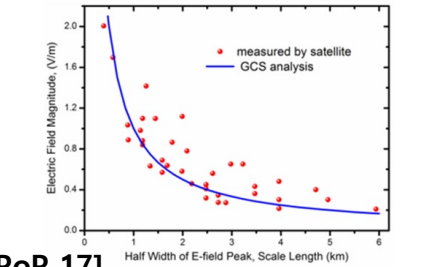


$$D = \frac{2r_L kT_i}{\lambda_{cx} eB}$$

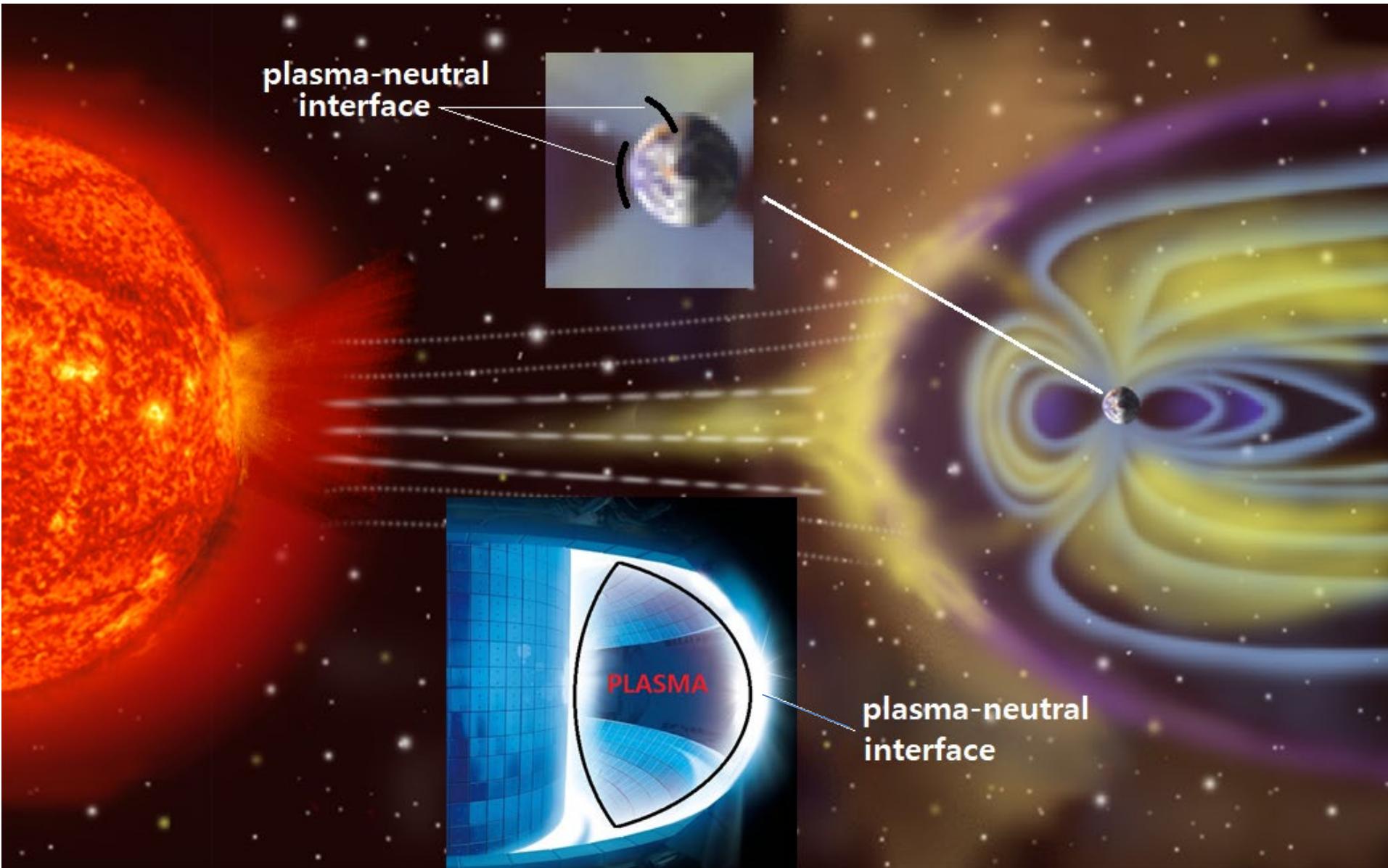
vertical E-field of equatorial electro-jet (EEJ)



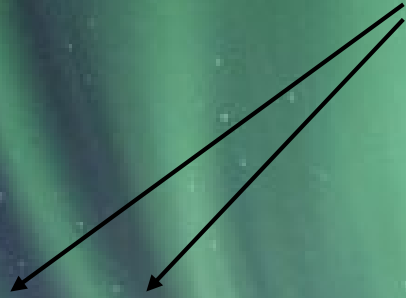
E-field formation of black aurora



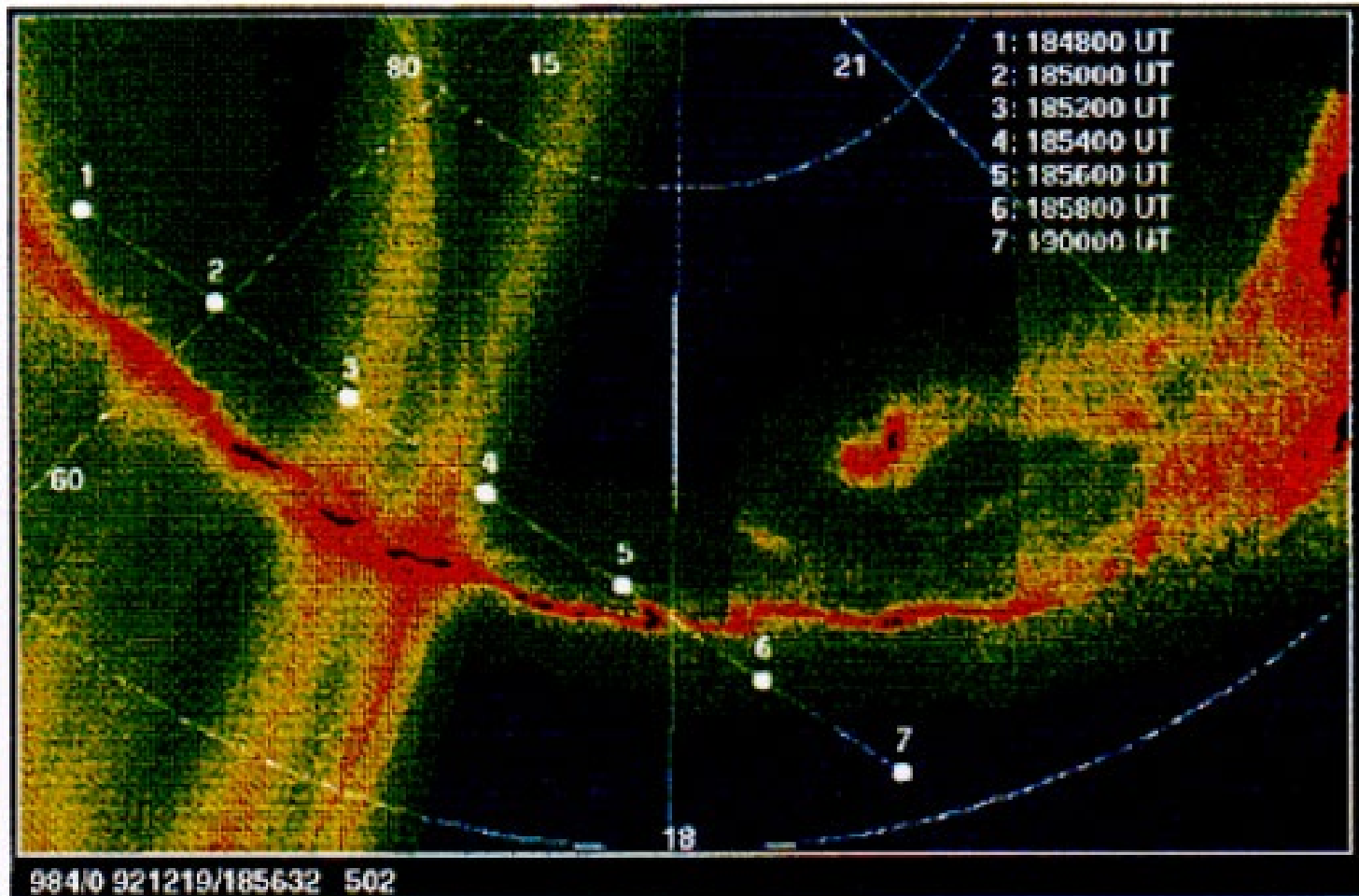
Introduction : earth ionosphere vs. tokamak



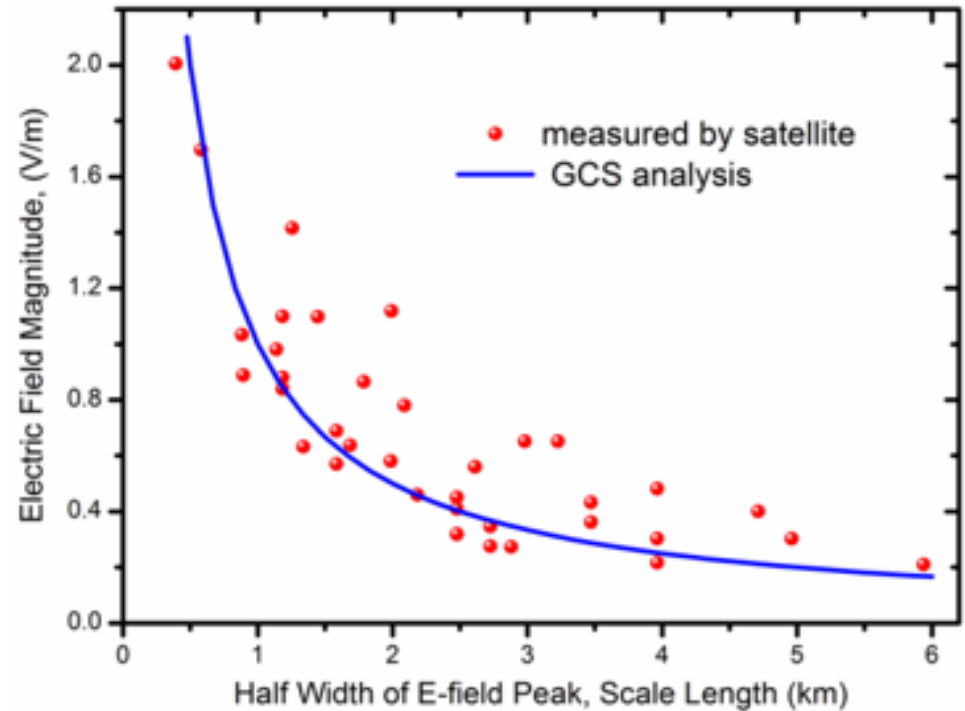
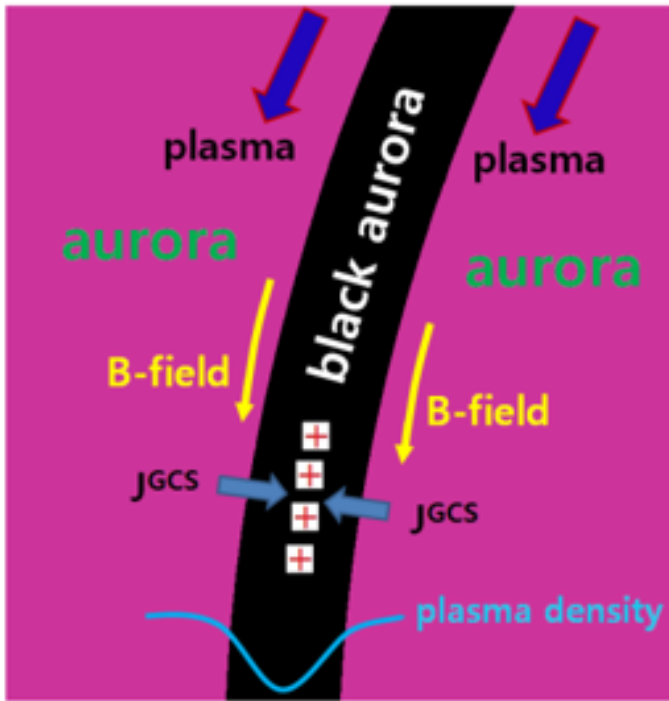
**black aurora simply represent
the absence of aurora**



Strong E-field is found across the black aurora



Swedish satellite Freja observed strong cross E-field on black aurora [Marklund, PPCF 1997]



$$\frac{qn_i}{\omega_c \tau} \left(\frac{E}{B} - \frac{\nabla P_i}{qBn_i} + \frac{kT_i}{qB} \frac{\nabla n_n}{n_n} \right) \approx 0$$

$$E \approx kT_i / qL_n$$

Agreements;

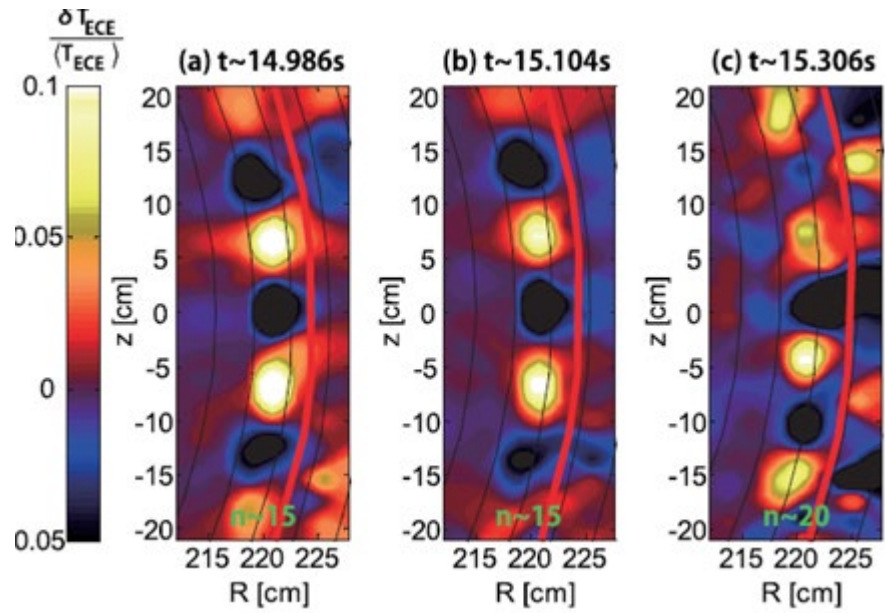
1. polarity : always positive in black aurora
2. magnitude : 1keV ions with 1 km scale length → 1 V/m
3. dependence on scale length: narrower generates stronger E-field

First common feature of black aurora and tokamak edge : strong E-field
Second : breaking into circular structure

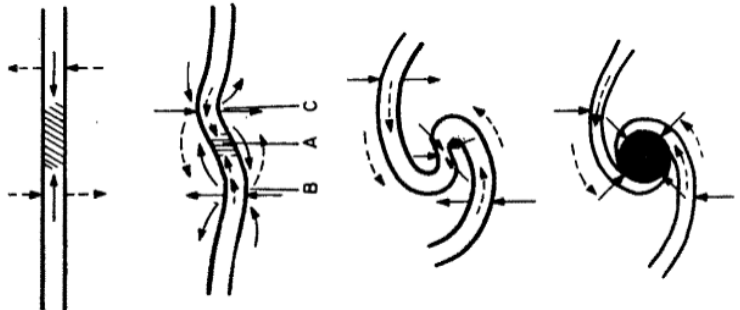
TV image of black aurora



ECEI measurement on KSTAR ELMs



[J.H. Lee, PRL 2016]



Future works:
ELMs take place only at H-mode
What is the role of strong E_r
for the ELM triggering?

arc distortions of black aurora by $E \times B$

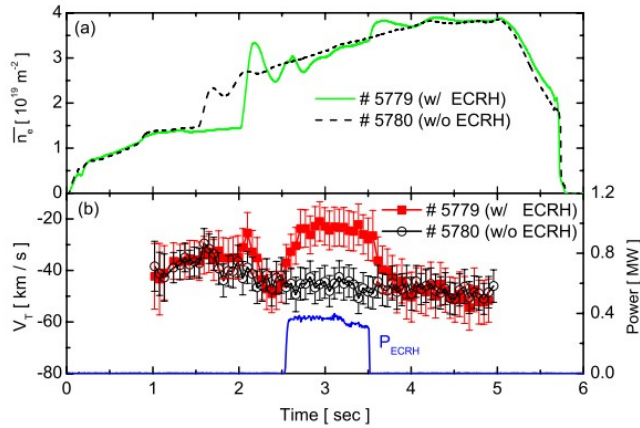
[Hallinan and Davis, Planet. Space Sci. 1970]

intrinsic rotation by electron-neutral & ion-neutral collisions

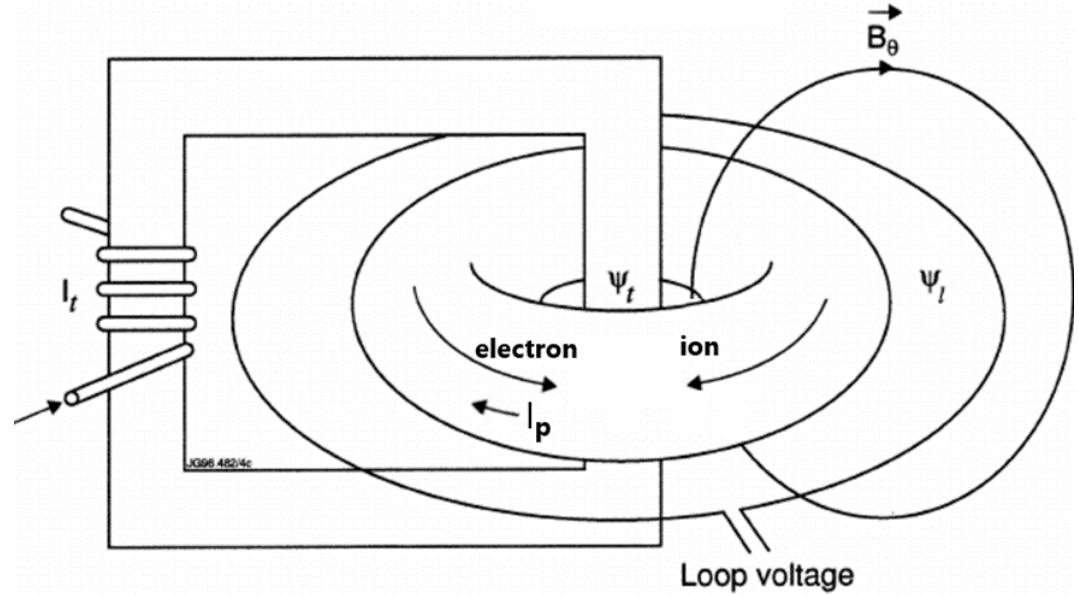
$v_{\parallel} \quad \text{VS.} \quad v_{\perp}$

Effects of Electron-Cyclotron-Resonance-Heating-Induced Internal Kink Mode on the Toroidal Rotation in the KSTAR Tokamak

J. Seol,¹ S. G. Lee,¹ B. H. Park,¹ H. H. Lee,¹ L. Terzolo,¹ K. C. Shaing,^{2,3} K. I. You,¹ G. S. Yun,⁴ C. C. Kim,⁵ K. D. Lee,¹ W. H. Ko,¹ J. G. Kwak,¹ W. C. Kim,¹ Y. K. Oh,¹ J. Y. Kim,¹ S. S. Kim,¹ and K. Ida⁶



► ion-electron momentum exchange by Coulomb collisions



electrons are under eE
for distance of $\lambda = 1/\sigma_{ei}n_i$

$$\frac{1}{2} m v_e^2 = eE\lambda \Rightarrow m v_e$$

e-i collision frequency : $\nu = \sigma_{ei} v_{Te} n_i$

$$\frac{1}{2} M_Z v_i^2 = ZeE \frac{1}{\sigma_{ie} n_e} \frac{M_Z}{m} \Rightarrow m v_i \quad \leftarrow \times m/M_Z$$

i-e collision frequency : $\nu = \sigma_{ie} v_{Te} n_e$

$$\sum_Z (-2n_{eZ} \sqrt{eEkT_e \sigma_{ei} n_Z} + 2n_Z \sqrt{ZeEkT_e \sigma_{ie} n_{eZ}}) = 0$$

$$(n_{eZ} = Zn_Z \text{ and } \sum_Z n_{eZ} = n_e)$$

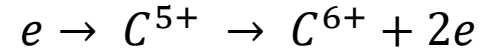
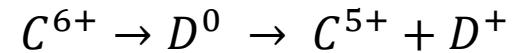
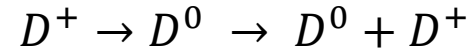
► momentum exchange by collisions with neutrals

electron-neutral

$$\frac{1}{2}mv_e^2 = \frac{eE}{\sigma_{en}n_n}$$

$$mv_e = -\sqrt{\frac{2eEm}{\sigma_{en}n_n}}$$

ion-neutral (charge exchange)



impurity ion- neutral reaction is not effective

$$\dot{P}_e = -2n_e\sqrt{eEkT_e\sigma_{en}n_n}$$

$$\dot{P}_{D^+} = 2n_{D^+}\sqrt{eEkT_i\sigma_{in}n_n}$$

neutrals quickly return the momentum to ions by C.X. without staying in the plasma

$$V_\phi = 2\tau\sqrt{eEn_n}(n_{D^+}\sqrt{kT_i\sigma_{in}} - n_e\sqrt{kT_e\sigma_{en}})/M_p,$$

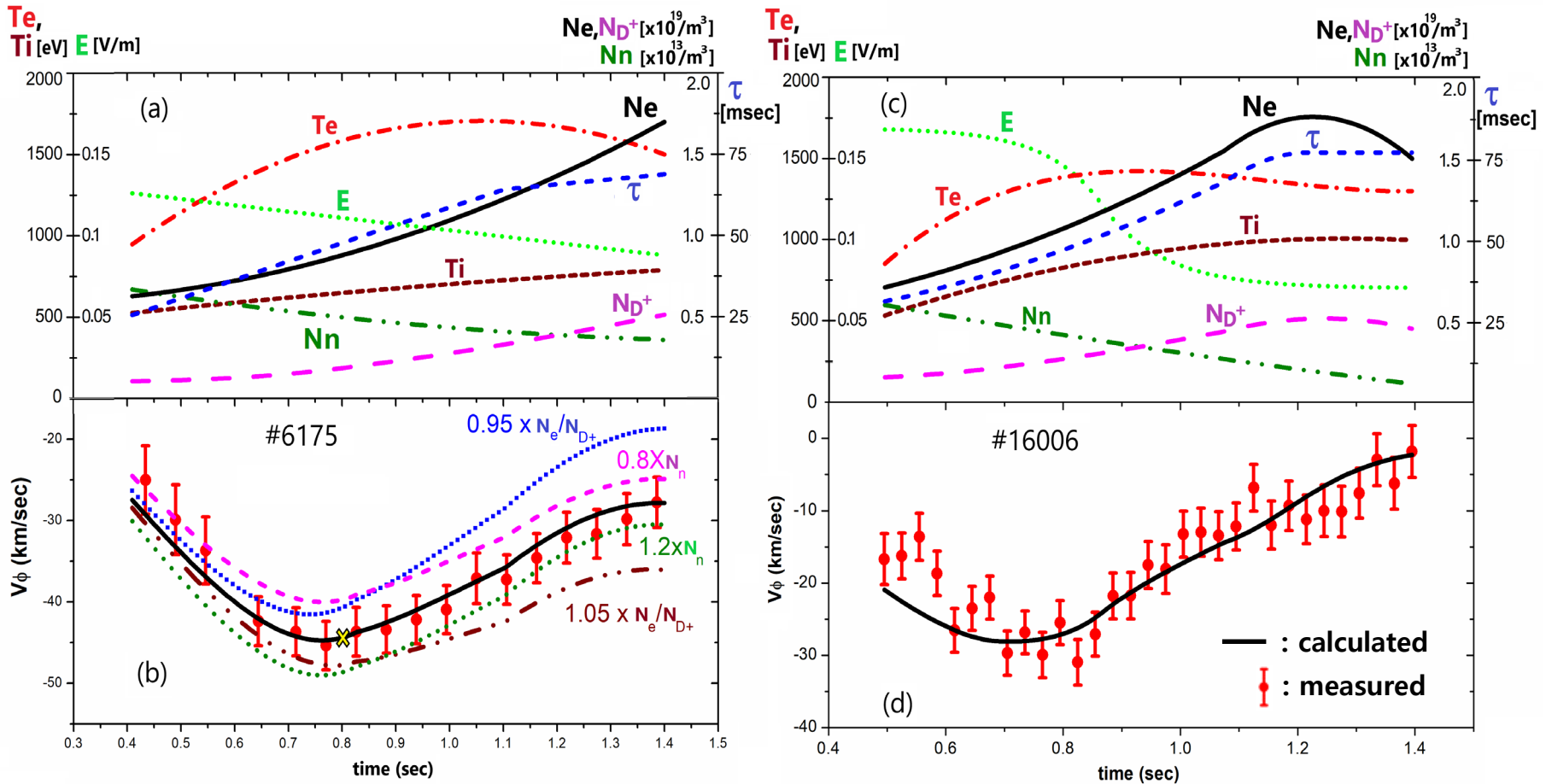
(τ is the acceleration time and M_p is the plasma mass)

$$\sigma_{en} = 3 \times 10^{-19} / \sqrt{T_e}$$

$$\sigma_{in} = 2.7 \times 10^{-19} \times e^{-T_i/3430}$$

V_ϕ is non-zero unless n_{D^+}/n_e , T_i/T_e , σ_{in}/σ_{en} are in symmetry

comparison to KSTAR ohmic discharge rotation measurements



- Calculation matched well for two shots (with different time trend)
- First theoretical analysis quantitatively agrees experiment

Conclusions

1. Plasma-neutral interface with B-field → E-field formation
(regardless of scale : arc discharge, tokamak, ionosphere)
2. Two common features of black aurora and ELM
 - strong E-field cross the magnetic field
 - interface breaks into circular structure
3. Intrinsic rotation of fusion plasma is analyzed by plasma-neutral interaction.
 - unbalanced momentum transfer between
ion → neutral & electron → neutral
 - ratio of main ion to the impurity ion is key parameter