Thermal conduction in dilute plasma

- ➢ In dilute plasma, thermal conduction is anisotropic, along magnetic field lines.
- When temperature increase in the gravity direction: MTI
- When temperature decrease in the gravity direction: HBI

What is MTI



What is HBI





Dispersion relation

$$\omega^2 \simeq g\left(\frac{d\ln T}{dz}\right) \left[\left(1 - 2b_z^2\right) \frac{k_\perp^2}{k^2} + \frac{2b_x b_z k_x k_z}{k^2} \right]$$

Maximum growth rate for MTI:

$$\omega^2 \simeq g\left(\frac{d\ln T}{dz}\right) \frac{k_\perp^2}{k^2}.$$

Maximum growth rate for HBI:

$$\omega^2 \simeq -g\left(\frac{d\ln T}{dz}\right)\frac{k_\perp^2}{k^2}.$$

Result due to MTI

Magnetic field can be amplified by a factor of 30.

Field lines is aligned with temperature gradient

Magnitude of conduction increase

Result due to HBI

Magnetic field can be amplified by a factor of 30.

Field lines is rearranged perpendicular to temperature gradient

Magnitude of conduction decrease significantly

Implication

≻MTI:

✓ Intracluster medium (outside cool core):

Parrish, Stone, Lemaster, 2008, ApJ, 688,905

✓ Accretion disks

Sharma, quataert, stone, 2008, MNRAS, 389, 1815

≻HBI:

✓ Intracluster medium (inside the cool core):

Parrish, quataert, Sharma, quataert, MNRAS, 389, 1815

A example—reproduce (Sharma, Quataert, Stone, 2008, MNRAS,389,1815





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What shall we do

 In rotating dilute plasma, in addition to MTI, MRI should also exists. We will examine the interplay of MTI and MRI.