

# Feature of the Newly Defined Helicity

- We can define a relative helicity for the field  $\mathbf{B}_c$  as

$$H_{cr} = \int_{\Omega} (\mathbf{A}_c + \mathbf{A}_{p1}) \cdot (\mathbf{B}_c - \mathbf{B}_{p1}) d^3\vec{x}$$

- From the field decomposition  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B}_p + \mathbf{B}_j$   
 $\quad \quad \quad = \mathbf{B}_0 + \mathbf{B}_c$   
 $\quad \quad \quad = \mathbf{B}_0 + \mathbf{B}_{p1} + \mathbf{B}_{c1}$
- Clearly,  $\mathbf{B}_p = \mathbf{B}_0 + \mathbf{B}_{p1}$  and  $\mathbf{B}_j = \mathbf{B}_{c1}$ , in most case,  $\mathbf{B}_{p1}$  is very small.

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- The self helicity of the current-carrying field

$$H_{cj} = \int_{\Omega} (\mathbf{A}_c - \mathbf{A}_{p1}) \cdot (\mathbf{B}_c - \mathbf{B}_{p1}) d^3 \vec{x}$$

- The mutual helicity of the current-carrying field and referenced field

$$H_{cpj} = 2 \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{A}_{p1} \cdot (\mathbf{B}_c - \mathbf{B}_{p1}) d^3 \vec{x}$$

- $\mathbf{B}_{p1}$  is very small  $\rightarrow$  small  $\mathbf{A}_{p1}$   $\rightarrow$  small  $H_{CPJ}$  and  $H_{cj} \sim H_j$
- $H_{cr} \sim H_{cj} = H_j$