

Adding toroidal flow in GEM for adiabatic electron model

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1 Guiding center drift due to toroidal flow

There are three terms needed to be added in the drift velocity of the guiding center V_G , according to Eq. 21 in [1], i. e.

$$\frac{cm_a}{e_a B} \hat{b} \times (\mathbf{U} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{U}), \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{cm_a v_{\parallel}'}{e_a B} \hat{b} \times (\hat{b} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{U}), \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{cm_a v_{\parallel}'}{e_a B} \hat{b} \times (\nabla \mathbf{U} \cdot \hat{b}). \quad (3)$$

In the right-handed coordinate system (R, Z, ζ) , considering the toroidal flow with the form of $\mathbf{U}(\mathbf{R}) = -\omega_0(\psi_p) R^2 \nabla \zeta$,

$$\mathbf{U} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{U} = -\frac{U^2}{R} \hat{R} \quad (4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{b} \times (\mathbf{U} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{U}) &= \frac{U^2}{R} \hat{R} \times \hat{b} \\ &= \frac{U^2}{RB} \hat{R} \times \left(\frac{f}{R} \hat{\zeta} + \frac{\psi_p'(r)}{R} \left(\frac{\partial r}{\partial R} \hat{Z} - \frac{\partial r}{\partial Z} \hat{R} \right) \right) \\ &= \frac{U^2}{RB} \left(-\frac{f}{R} \hat{Z} + \frac{\psi_p'(r)}{R} \frac{\partial r}{\partial R} \hat{\zeta} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

Then Eq. 1 becomes

$$\frac{cm_a U^2}{e_a B^2 R^2} \left(-f \hat{Z} + \psi_p'(r) \frac{\partial r}{\partial R} \hat{\zeta} \right). \quad (6)$$

Eq. 6 $\cdot \nabla x$ is

$$\frac{cm_a U^2}{e_a B^2 R^2} \cdot (-f) \frac{\partial r}{\partial Z}. \quad (7)$$

This term can be coded as `-Up**2*fp*srbzp/bfldp**2/radiusp**2`, where `U(0:nr,0:ntheta)` is a new variable needed to be declared, representing the equilibrium toroidal flow. Actually, we only need to declare a new variable `omega(0:nr)`, `U(0:nr,0:ntheta)=-omega(0:nr)*radius(0:nr,0:ntheta)`.

For Eq. 6 $\cdot \nabla y$,

$$y = \frac{r_0}{q_0} \int_0^\theta \hat{q}(r, \theta') d\theta' - \zeta = \frac{r_0}{q_0} (q\theta_f - \zeta) \quad (8)$$

$$\nabla y = \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} \nabla r + \frac{r_0}{q_0} \hat{q} \nabla \theta - \frac{r_0}{q_0} \nabla \zeta, \quad (9)$$

where $\hat{q} = q \frac{\partial \theta_f}{\partial \theta}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Eq. 6} \cdot \nabla y &= \frac{cm_a U^2}{e_a B^2 R^2} (-f \hat{Z} + \psi'_p(r) \frac{\partial r}{\partial R} \hat{\zeta}) \cdot \nabla y \\ &= \frac{cm_a U^2}{e_a B^2 R^2} (-f \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial Z} - \frac{r_0}{q_0} \hat{q} f \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial Z} - \frac{r_0}{q_0 R} \psi'_p(r) \frac{\partial r}{\partial R}), \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

i. e. $-\text{Up}^{**2}/\text{bfl dp}^{**2}/\text{radiusp}^{**2} * (\text{fp} * \text{dydrp} * \text{srbzp} + \text{r0}/\text{q0} * \text{qhatp} * \text{fp} * \text{thb zp} + \text{r0}/\text{q0}/\text{radiusp} * \text{psipp} * \text{srb rp})$.

So far, all the terms about Eq. 1 is finished. Let's start with Eqs. 2 and 3. Still in the (R, Z, ζ) coordinate, one could find Eq. 2 is identical to Eq. 3 as

$$\mathbf{U} \cdot \nabla \hat{b} = \hat{b} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{U} = -\frac{Uf}{R^2 B} \hat{R} - \frac{U}{R^2 B} \psi'_p(r) \frac{\partial r}{\partial Z} \hat{\zeta}. \quad (11)$$

To derive Eq. 2 or Eq. 3,

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{cm_a v'_\parallel}{e_a B} \hat{b} \times (\mathbf{U} \cdot \nabla \hat{b}) \\ &= \frac{cm_a v'_\parallel}{e_a B} \left[-\frac{Uf^2}{B^2 R^3} \hat{Z} + \frac{Uf\psi'_p(r)}{B^2 R^3} \frac{\partial r}{\partial R} \hat{\zeta} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{U}{B^2 R^3} \psi_p'^2(r) \frac{\partial r}{\partial R} \frac{\partial r}{\partial Z} \hat{R} - \frac{U}{B^2 R^3} \psi_p'^2(r) \left(\frac{\partial r}{\partial Z} \right)^2 \hat{Z} \right] \\ &= \frac{cm_a v'_\parallel U}{e_a B^3 R^3} \left[-\psi_p'^2(r) \frac{\partial r}{\partial R} \frac{\partial r}{\partial Z} \hat{R} - (f^2 + \psi_p'^2(r) \left(\frac{\partial r}{\partial Z} \right)^2) \hat{Z} + f\psi'_p(r) \frac{\partial r}{\partial R} \hat{\zeta} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Eq. 12} \cdot \nabla x &= -\frac{cm_a v'_\parallel U}{e_a B^3 R^3} \left[\psi_p'^2(r) \left(\frac{\partial r}{\partial R} \right)^2 \frac{\partial r}{\partial Z} + (f^2 + \psi_p'^2(r) \left(\frac{\partial r}{\partial Z} \right)^2) \frac{\partial r}{\partial Z} \right] \\ &= -\frac{cm_a v'_\parallel U}{e_a B^3 R^3} \left[\psi_p'^2(r) \left(\frac{\partial r}{\partial R} \right)^2 + f^2 + \psi_p'^2(r) \left(\frac{\partial r}{\partial Z} \right)^2 \right] \frac{\partial r}{\partial Z}, \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

which can be coded as $-U_p v_{\text{par}} / b_{\text{fldp}}^3 / \text{radiusp}^3 * (\text{psipp}^2 * \text{srbrp}^2 + f_p^2 + \text{psipp}^2 * \text{srbzp}^2) * \text{srbzp}$.

Using Eq. 9,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Eq. 12} \cdot \nabla y = & - \frac{cm_a v_{\parallel}' U}{e_a B^3 R^3} [\psi_p'^2(r) \frac{\partial r}{\partial R} \frac{\partial r}{\partial Z} (\frac{\partial y}{\partial r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial R} + \frac{r_0}{q_0} \hat{q} \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial R}) \\ & + (f^2 + \psi_p'^2(r) (\frac{\partial r}{\partial Z})^2) (\frac{\partial y}{\partial r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial Z} + \frac{r_0}{q_0} \hat{q} \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial Z}) \\ & + \frac{r_0}{q_0 R} f \psi_p'(r) \frac{\partial r}{\partial R}]. \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

That is, $-U_p v_{\text{par}} / b_{\text{fldp}}^3 / \text{radiusp}^3 * (\text{psipp}^2 * \text{srbrp} * \text{srbzp} * (\text{dydrp} * \text{srbrp} + r_0 / q_0 * \text{qhatp} * \text{thbrp}) + (f_p^2 + \text{psipp}^2 * \text{srbzp}^2) * (\text{dydrp} * \text{srbzp} + r_0 / q_0 * \text{qhatp} * \text{thbzp}) + r_0 / q_0 / \text{radiusp} * f_p * \text{psipp} * \text{srbrp})$.

2 Parallel acceleration due to toroidal flow

An auxiliary guiding center variable v_{\parallel}'' is defined according to

$$\varepsilon = \mu \mathbf{B}_0(\mathbf{R}) + \frac{1}{2} m v_{\parallel}''^2 - \frac{1}{2} m U^2(\mathbf{R}) + q \Phi_1(\mathbf{R}) \quad (15)$$

Notice that v_{\parallel}'' depends on $(\mathbf{R}, \varepsilon, \mu)$ but not γ , and $v_{\parallel}'' = v_{\parallel}' + \mathcal{O}(\delta)$. The new parallel velocity is defined with ε^μ . Since $d\varepsilon^\mu/dt = \mathcal{O}(\delta^2)$,

$$\begin{aligned} m v_{\parallel}'' \frac{dv_{\parallel}''}{dt} &= -\mu \frac{dB(\mathbf{R})}{dt} + m \frac{dU^2}{dt} - q \frac{d\Phi_1}{dt} \\ &= -\mu v_{\parallel}'' \mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla B + m v_{\parallel}'' \mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla U^2 - q v_{\parallel}'' \mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla \Phi_1 + \mathcal{O}(\delta^2) \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

We will neglect the $\mathcal{O}(\delta^2)$ terms, which include the parallel nonlinearity.

$$\frac{dv_{\parallel}''}{dt} = -\frac{\mu}{m} \mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla B + \mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla U^2 - \frac{q}{m} \mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla \Phi_1 + \mathcal{O}(\delta^2) \quad (17)$$

For any scalar $s(r, \theta, \zeta)$,

$$\mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla s = \frac{1}{B} \frac{\psi_p'}{R} \frac{\partial s}{\partial \theta} \hat{\zeta} \cdot \nabla r \times \nabla \theta + \frac{f}{BR^2} \frac{\partial s}{\partial \zeta}. \quad (18)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla s &= \frac{1}{B} (\nabla \zeta \times \nabla \psi_p + \frac{f}{R} \hat{\zeta}) \cdot (\frac{\partial s}{\partial r} \nabla r + \frac{\partial s}{\partial \theta} \nabla \theta + \frac{\partial s}{\partial \zeta} \nabla \zeta) \\ &= \frac{\psi_p'}{B} (\nabla \zeta \times \nabla r) \cdot (\frac{\partial s}{\partial r} \nabla r + \frac{\partial s}{\partial \theta} \nabla \theta + \frac{\partial s}{\partial \zeta} \nabla \zeta) + \frac{f}{BR^2} \frac{\partial s}{\partial \zeta} \\ &= \frac{1}{B} \frac{\psi_p'}{R} \frac{\partial s}{\partial \theta} \hat{\zeta} \cdot \nabla r \times \nabla \theta + \frac{f}{BR^2} \frac{\partial s}{\partial \zeta} \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$\mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla B = \frac{1}{B} \frac{\psi_p'}{R} \frac{\partial B}{\partial \theta} \hat{\zeta} \cdot \nabla r \times \nabla \theta \quad (19)$$

$$\mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla U^2 = \frac{2U}{B} \frac{\psi_p'}{R} \frac{\partial U}{\partial \theta} \hat{\zeta} \cdot \nabla r \times \nabla \theta, \quad (20)$$

$$\mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla \Phi_1 = \frac{1}{B} \frac{\psi_p'}{R} \frac{\partial \Phi_1}{\partial \theta} \hat{\zeta} \cdot \nabla r \times \nabla \theta \quad (21)$$

with

$$\hat{\zeta} \cdot \nabla r \times \nabla \theta = |\nabla r \times \nabla \theta|. \quad (22)$$

The $\partial U/\partial \theta$ and $\partial \Phi_1/\partial \theta$ will be calculated in the `gem_equil.f90`. Others are all existing variables in GEM. Φ_1 is the electric potential determined by the charge-neutrality, with $\mathbf{E}_n = -\nabla \Phi_1$. For a plasma with a single ion species with ion temperature T_i and electron temperature T_e ,

$$e\Phi_1 = \frac{m_i \omega_0^2}{2(1 + T_i/T_e)} (R^2 - \langle R^2 \rangle). \quad (23)$$

Attention, here the bracket $\langle \cdots \rangle$ stands for the flux surface average.

$$\langle R^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} R^2(r, \theta) d\theta \quad (24)$$

Thus,

$$\partial_\theta (R^2 - \langle R^2 \rangle) = 2R \partial_\theta R - \frac{R^2}{2\pi} \quad (25)$$

3 Changes in weight equation

$$\delta f = -q(\phi - \mathbf{U} \cdot \mathbf{A}) \frac{f_0}{T} + h \quad (26)$$

Here, h is the non-adiabatic part of δf . Write $h = h + h_1 + h_2 \dots$

$$h_2 = \delta f + \frac{q}{T} f_0 [(\phi - \mathbf{U} \cdot \mathbf{A}) - \langle (\phi - \mathbf{U} \cdot \mathbf{A}) \rangle + \langle \mathbf{v}' \cdot \mathbf{A} \rangle] \quad (27)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial t} + \langle \dot{\mathbf{R}} \rangle \cdot \nabla h_2 + \langle \dot{\varepsilon}^u \rangle \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial \varepsilon^u} - \langle \dot{\varepsilon}^u \rangle \frac{\partial}{\partial \varepsilon^u} \langle \frac{q}{T} f_0 \mathbf{v}' \cdot \mathbf{A} \rangle \\ &= - \left\langle \frac{d\mathbf{R}}{dt} \right|_1 \cdot \frac{\partial f_0}{\partial \mathbf{R}} \\ & \quad - q \mathbf{v}_g \cdot \nabla \langle \Psi \rangle \frac{f_0}{T} \\ & \quad + q [\mathbf{U}(\mathbf{R}) \cdot \nabla \langle \Psi \rangle - \langle \mathbf{U} \cdot \nabla \Psi \rangle] \frac{f_0}{T} \\ & \quad - \frac{q}{\Omega} \left\langle (\nabla \Psi \times \mathbf{b}) \cdot \nabla \psi_p \omega'_0 R \left(\frac{B_t}{B_0} v'_\parallel + U \right) \right\rangle \frac{f_0}{T} \\ & \quad + S_1 + S_2 + S_3 \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

There are two terms to be added in the weight equation. For electrostatic model, $\Psi = \phi$.

The first term,

$$q[\mathbf{U} \cdot \nabla \langle \phi \rangle - \langle \mathbf{U} \cdot \nabla \phi \rangle] \frac{f_0}{T} \quad (29)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{U} \cdot \nabla \langle \phi \rangle &= U \hat{\zeta} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \langle \phi \rangle}{\partial x} \nabla x + \frac{\partial \langle \phi \rangle}{\partial y} \nabla y + \frac{\partial \langle \phi \rangle}{\partial z} \nabla z \right) \\ &= U \frac{\partial \langle \phi \rangle}{\partial y} \hat{\zeta} \cdot \nabla y \\ &= - \frac{r_0 U}{q_0 R} \frac{\partial \langle \phi \rangle}{\partial y} \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

$$\langle \mathbf{U} \cdot \nabla \phi \rangle = \left\langle - \frac{r_0 U}{q_0 R} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \right\rangle = - \frac{r_0 U}{q_0 R} \left\langle \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \right\rangle \quad (31)$$

The second term,

$$\begin{aligned}
& -\frac{q}{\Omega} \left\langle (\nabla\phi \times \mathbf{b}) \cdot \nabla\psi_p \omega'_0 R \left(\frac{B_t}{B_0} v'_{\parallel} + U \right) \right\rangle \frac{f_0}{T} \\
& = -\frac{q}{\Omega} \left\langle (\nabla\phi \times \mathbf{b}) \cdot \nabla\psi_p \right\rangle \omega'_0 R \left(\frac{B_t}{B_0} v'_{\parallel} + U \right) \frac{f_0}{T}
\end{aligned} \tag{32}$$

Considering

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{B} &= \nabla\psi \times \nabla(q\theta_f - \zeta) \\
&= \frac{q_0}{r_0} \frac{d\psi}{dx} \nabla x \times \nabla y \\
&= C(x) \nabla x \times \nabla y
\end{aligned} \tag{33}$$

then

$$\mathbf{b} = \frac{\nabla x \times \nabla y}{|\nabla x \times \nabla y|}. \tag{34}$$

So we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\nabla\phi \times \mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla\psi_p &= \nabla\psi_p \times \nabla\phi \cdot \mathbf{b} \\
&= \psi'_p \nabla x \times \nabla\phi \cdot \frac{\nabla x \times \nabla y}{|\nabla x \times \nabla y|} \\
&= \frac{\psi'_p}{|\nabla x \times \nabla y|} \left(\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y} \nabla x \times \nabla y + \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial z} \nabla x \times \nabla z \right) \cdot \nabla x \times \nabla y \\
&= \psi'_p |\nabla x \times \nabla y| \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y} + \frac{\psi'_p}{|\nabla x \times \nabla y|} \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial z} (\nabla x \times \nabla z) \cdot (\nabla x \times \nabla y)
\end{aligned} \tag{35}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(\nabla x \times \nabla z) \cdot (\nabla x \times \nabla y) &= (\nabla x \times \nabla y) \times \nabla x \cdot \nabla z \\
&= (|\nabla x|^2 \nabla y - |\nabla x \cdot \nabla y| \nabla x) \cdot \nabla z \\
&= |\nabla x|^2 \nabla y \cdot \nabla z - |\nabla x \cdot \nabla y| \nabla x \cdot \nabla z \\
&= |\nabla x|^2 \nabla y \cdot \nabla z - q_0 R_0 |\nabla x \cdot \nabla y| |\nabla r \cdot \nabla \theta|
\end{aligned} \tag{36}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\nabla y \cdot \nabla z &= \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial r} \nabla r + \frac{r_0}{q_0} \hat{q} \nabla \theta - \frac{r_0}{q_0} \nabla \zeta \right) \cdot q_0 R_0 \nabla \theta \\
&= q_0 R_0 \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} |\nabla r \cdot \nabla \theta| + r_0 R_0 \hat{q} |\nabla \theta|^2
\end{aligned} \tag{37}$$

According to Eq. 35 - 37, Eq. 32 can be coded using existing variables.

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