



帯状流及び大規模構造に支配された乱流の特性

Characteristics of Turbulence Dominated
by Zonal Flows and Large Scale Structures

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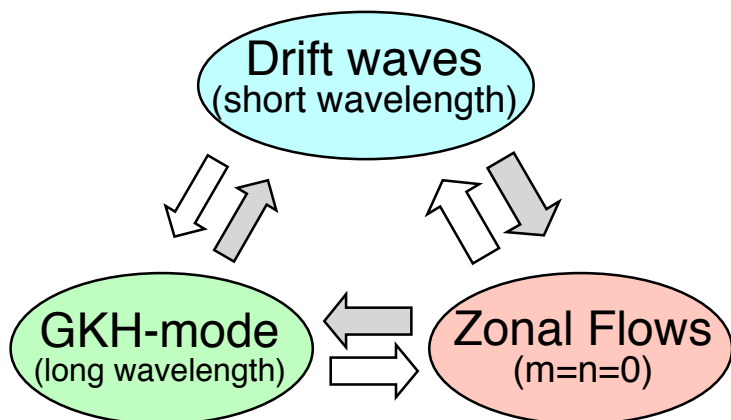
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- **Background and Motivation**
 - Simulation model and parameters
- **Structure of ETG turbulence dominated by Z.F.**
 - Statistical mechanism of heat flux reduction
 - Interaction with GKH mode
- **Statistical characteristics of fluctuations**
 - Correlation dimension and PDF
 - ITG fluctuations
- **Summary**

Plasmas autonomously construct turbulent structures such as zonal flows, which play an important role for regulating the turbulent transport.

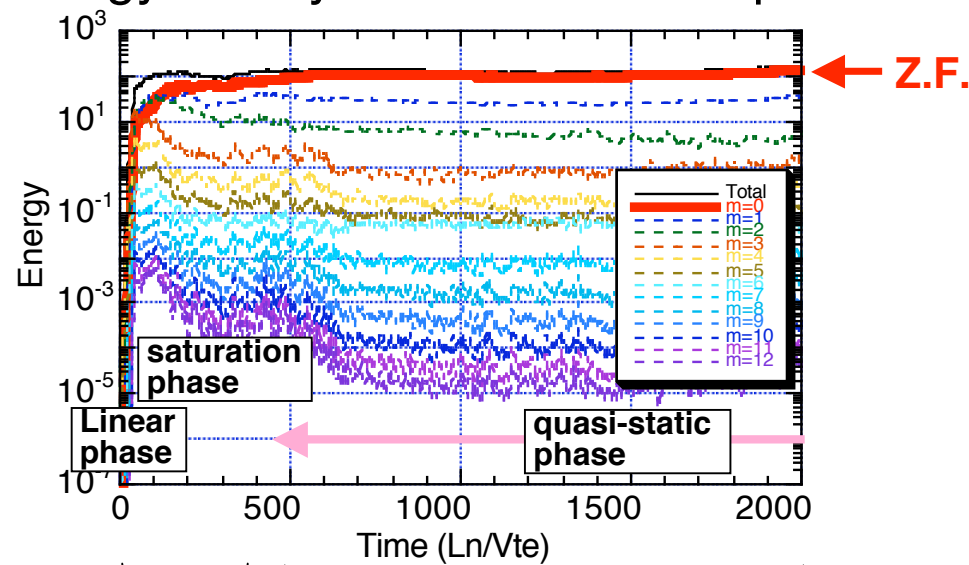
Mode interactions in turbulence



[ex. P.H.Diamond, PPCF, '05]

Nonlinear interactions are not well understood.

Energy history in ZF-dominated plasma



First principle simulations
[ex. N. Miyato, IAEA, '06]

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Transport ?
Turbulent structure ?
Mode interactions ?

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Statistical characteristics of fluctuations ?
Intermittency, Complexity, Unpredictability

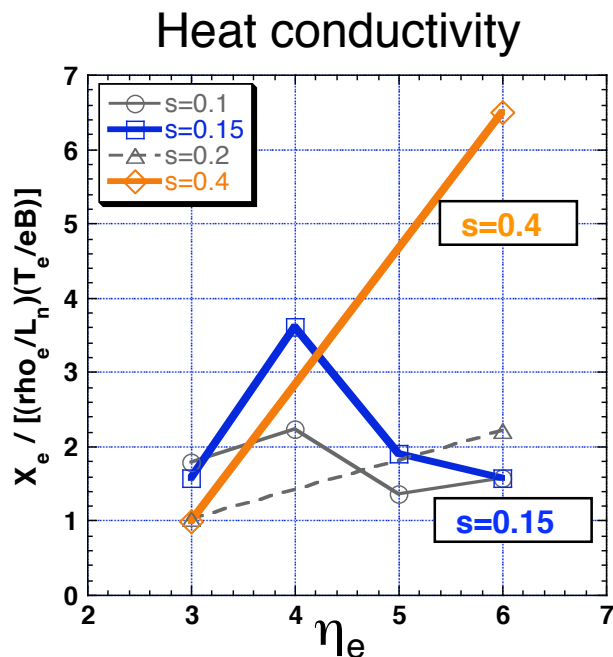
① Transport ? Turbulent structure ? Mode interactions ?

Temperature gradient

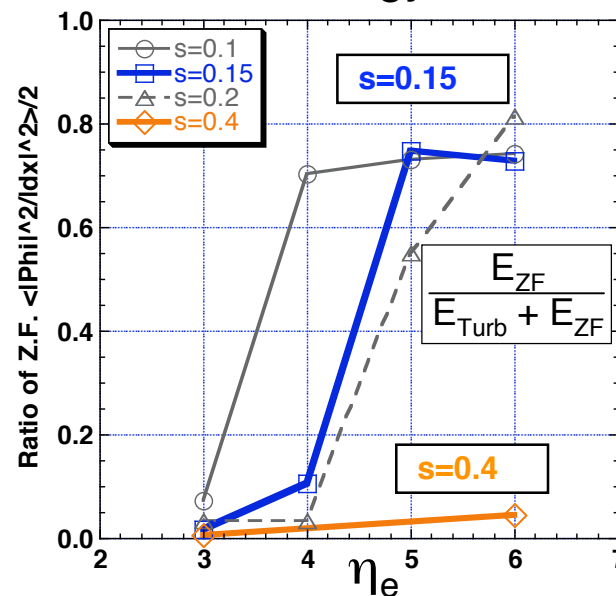
$$\eta_e = \frac{d \ln T_e}{d \ln n}$$

Magnetic shear

$$s = \frac{B_y}{B_0} \frac{d \ln B_y}{d \ln n}$$

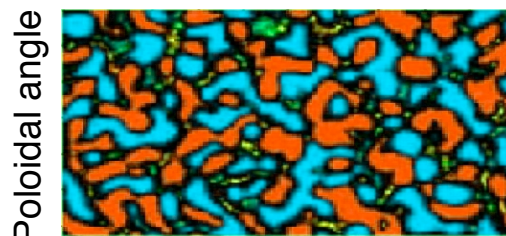


Z.F. Energy ratio

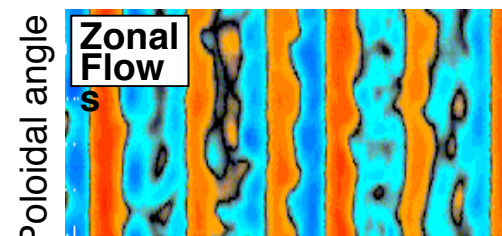


Electrostatic potential contours (for low magnetic shear)

isotropic turbulence



non-isotropic coherent structure



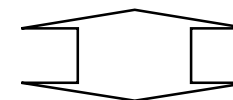
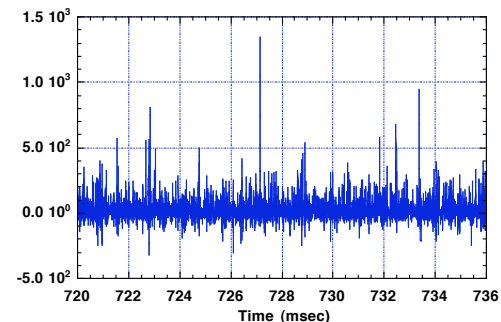
Low ← η_e → High

② Statistical characteristics of fluctuations ?
Intermittency, Complexity, Unpredictability

Experimental Plasmas

[HIBP Measurement by Ido, et al.]

Particle Flux in JFT-2M



Interrelation

First Principle Simulation (GK, Vlasov)

More precise results will be obtained, however huge computational resource is necessary.

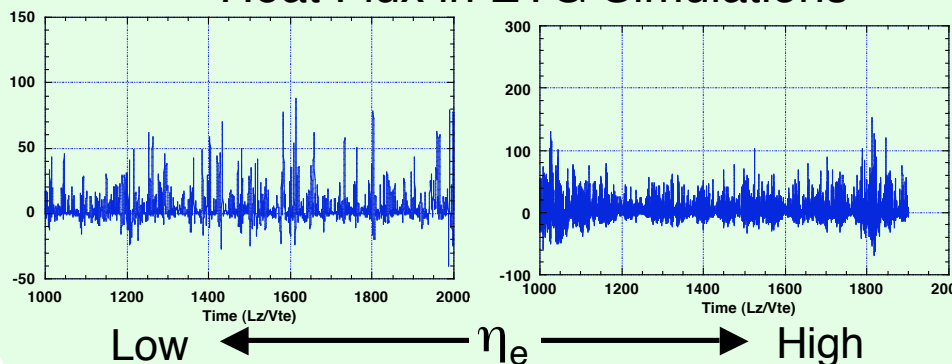
Fluid Simulations (GF, GLF)

Long-time fluctuations are obtained at realizable computational resource.

Transport Simulation

Transport are evaluated for averaged fluctuations.

Heat Flux in ETG Simulations



The dynamics of electrostatic ETG turbulence in the sheared slab configuration of the magnetic field can be generally described by following normalized system of nonlinear gyrofluid equations.

● **Nonlinear gyrofluid equations** [ex. J.Li, et al., POP, '02]

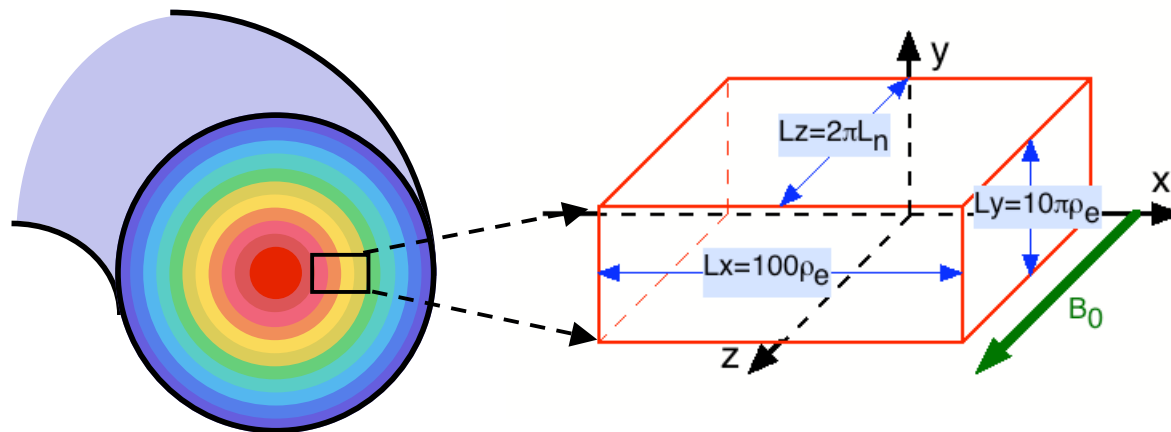
$$\begin{aligned} (1 - \hat{v}_\perp^2) \frac{\partial \hat{\phi}}{\partial \hat{t}} &= \left[1 + (1 + \eta_e \hat{v}_\perp^2) \frac{\partial \hat{\phi}}{\partial \hat{y}} \right] + [\hat{\phi}, \hat{v}_\perp^2 \hat{\phi}] + \hat{v}_\parallel \hat{v}_\parallel - \mu_\perp \hat{v}_\perp^4 \hat{\phi} \\ \frac{\partial \hat{v}_\parallel}{\partial \hat{t}} &= \hat{v}_\parallel \hat{\phi} - \hat{v}_\parallel \hat{p} + [\hat{\phi}, \hat{v}_\parallel] + \eta_\perp \hat{v}_\perp^2 \hat{v}_\parallel \\ \frac{\partial \hat{p}}{\partial \hat{t}} &= -(1 + \eta_e) \frac{\partial \hat{\phi}}{\partial \hat{y}} - [\hat{\phi}, \hat{p}] + \Gamma \hat{v}_\parallel \hat{v}_\parallel - (\Gamma - 1) \sqrt{\frac{8}{\pi}} \hat{k}_\parallel (\hat{p} + \hat{\phi}) + \chi_\perp \hat{v}_\perp^2 \hat{p} \end{aligned}$$

● **Normalization**

$$(\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z}, \hat{t}) \leftarrow \left(\frac{x}{\rho_e}, \frac{y}{\rho_e}, \frac{z}{L_n}, \frac{t}{L_n / v_{te}} \right)$$

$$(\hat{\phi}, \hat{v}_\parallel, \hat{p}) \leftarrow \frac{L_n}{\rho_e} \left(\frac{e\tilde{\phi}}{T_e}, \frac{v_\parallel}{v_{te}}, \frac{\tilde{p}_e}{p_0} \right)$$

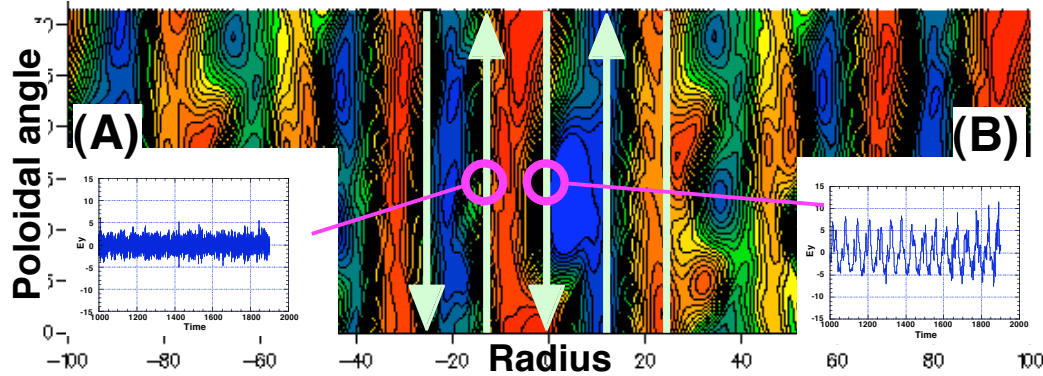
● **Configuration**



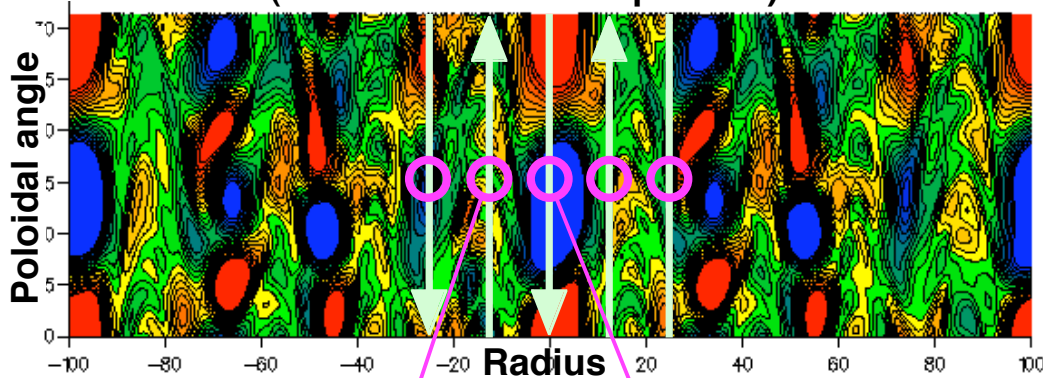
● **Parameter regime**

- Temperature gradient : $\eta_e = 3 - 6$
- Magnetic shear : $s = 0.1 - 0.4$
- Zonal flow : on / off

1 Electrostatic Potential ($s = 0.1, \eta_e = 6$)



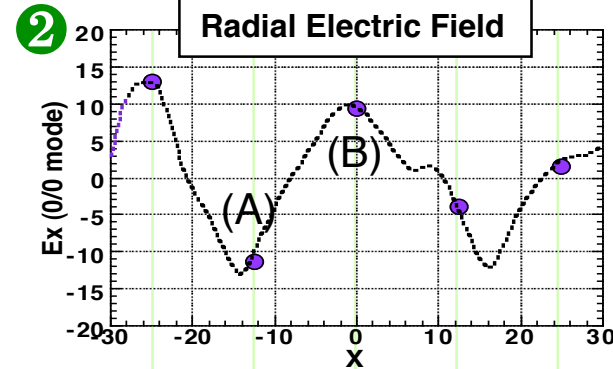
(w/o zonal flow component)



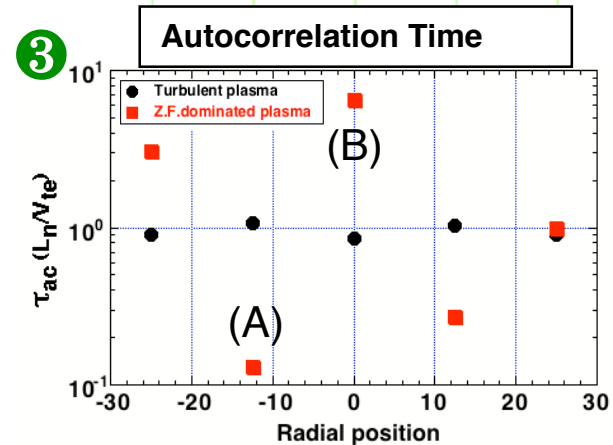
(A) ETG-like

(B) GKH-like

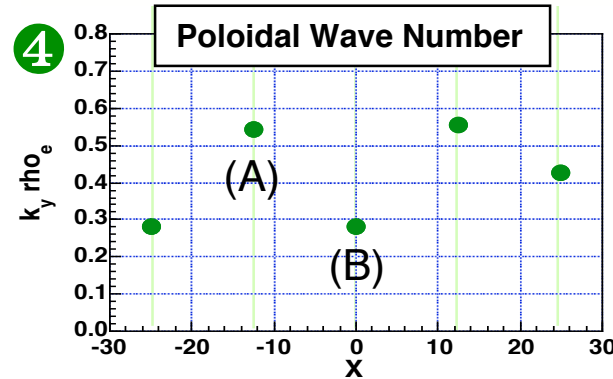
5 Behind static zonal flows, there are fluctuations with radial dependent scales of time and space.



Flow pattern is almost static.



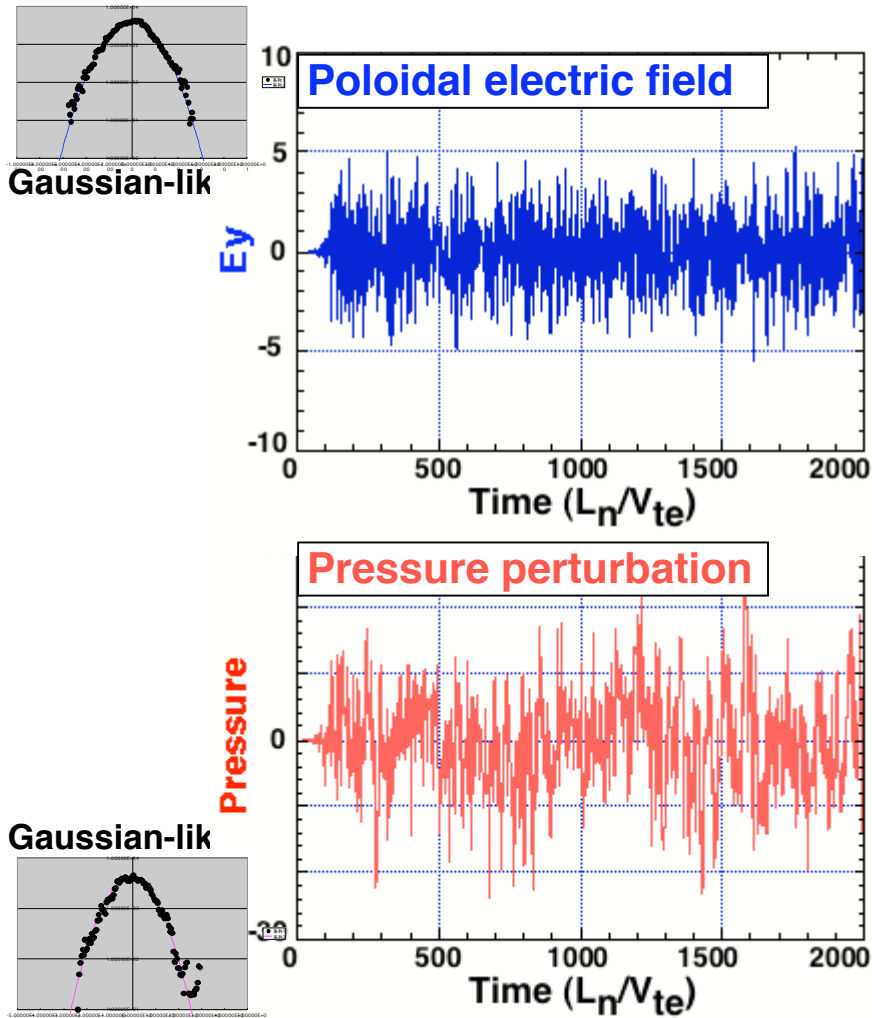
Characteristic time is varied by Doppler shift.



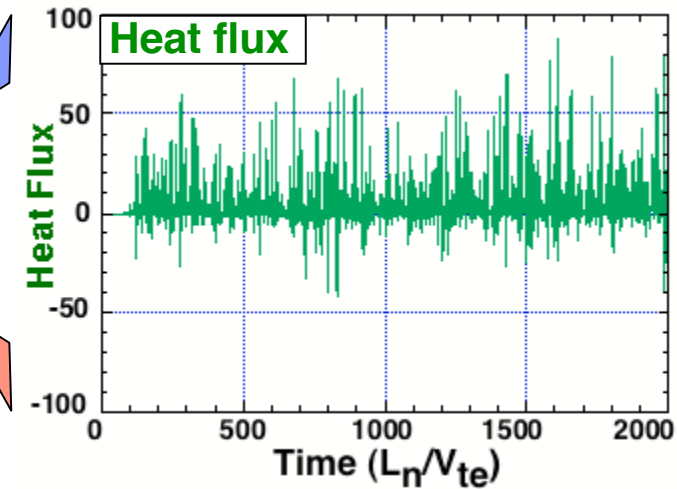
$$\frac{\int |\phi(k_y)|^2 k_y dk_y}{\int |\phi(k_y)|^2 dk_y}$$

Characteristic wave number is also varied.

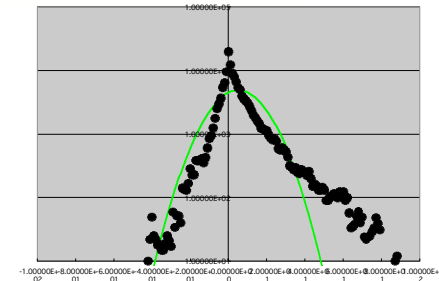
Time series data ($s=0.1, \eta_e=3$)



As a result of coupling two Gaussian-like perturbations, prominent intermittency is obtained.



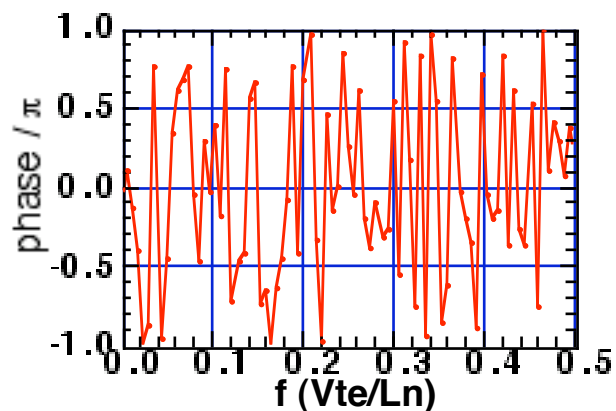
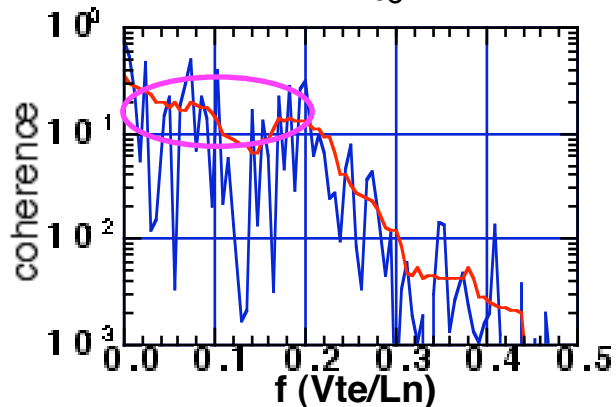
As a index of such intermittency, tail component appears in PDF.



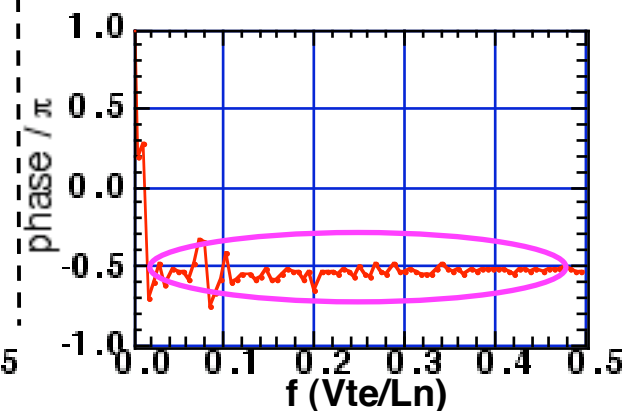
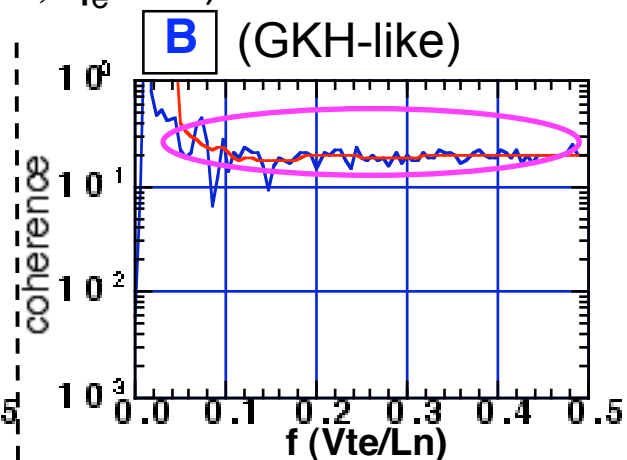
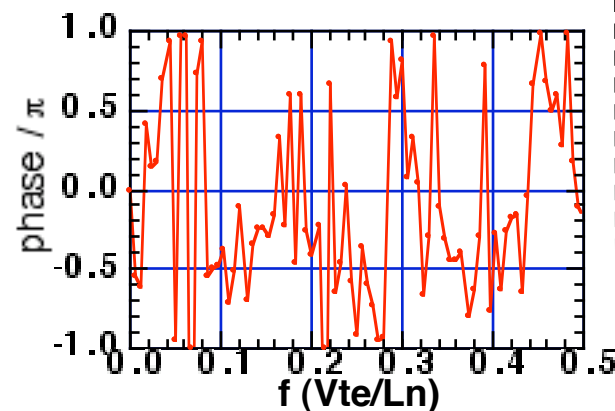
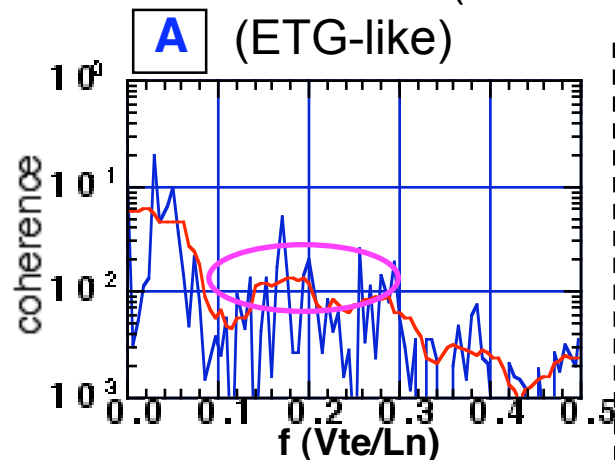
Cross correlation between E_y and P determines heat flux intermittency.

Coherence and phase difference of E_y and P

Isotropic ETG turbulence
($s = 0.1, \eta_e = 3$)



Zonal flow-dominated ETG turbulence
($s = 0.1, \eta_e = 6$)

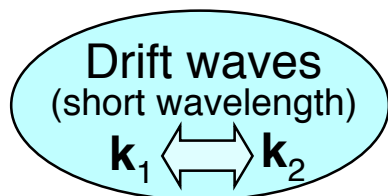
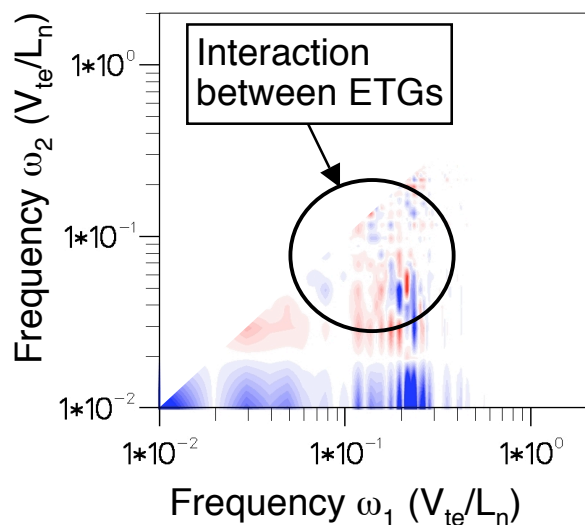


[A] Microscopic ETG-like turbulence → Decreasing of coherence
 [B] GKH-like turbulence → Synchronization of phase

Bi-spectrum Analysis of E_y ($\omega_1 \pm \omega_2 = \pm\omega_3$)

Isotropic ETG turbulence

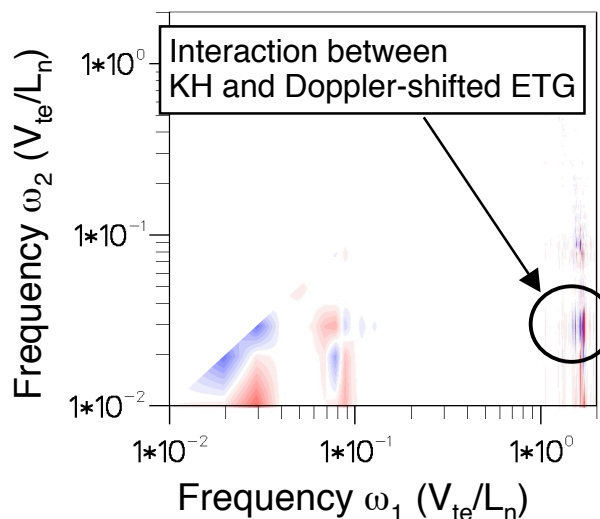
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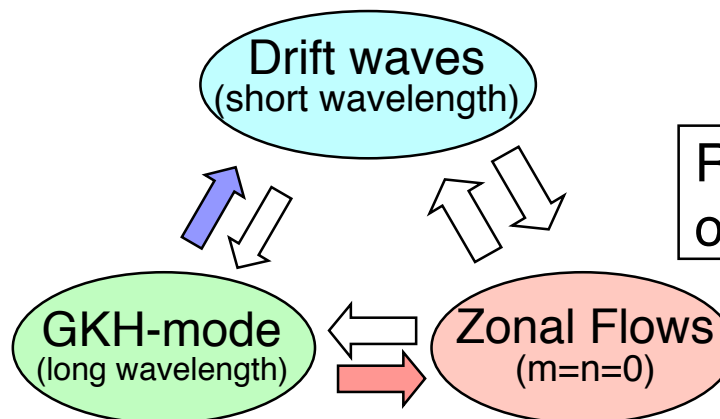
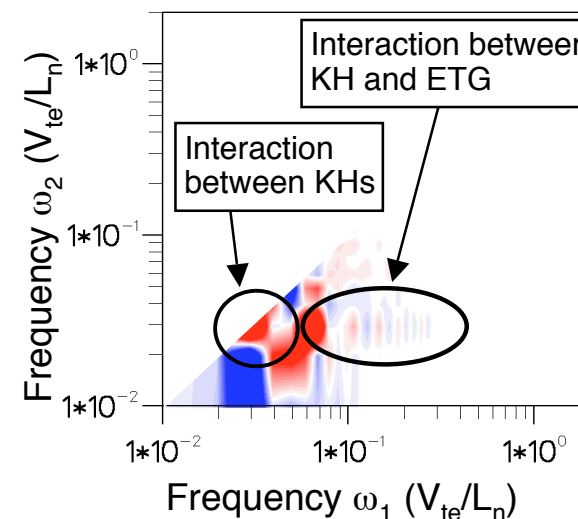
Zonal flow-dominated ETG turbulence

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A (ETG-like)



B (GKH-like)

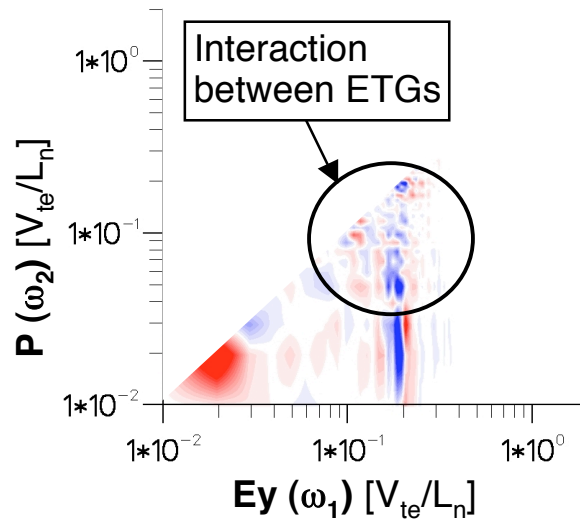


Role of GKH depends on radial position.

Cross-Bi-spectrum Analysis of $E_y(\omega_1)$, $P(\omega_2)$, and $Q(\omega_3)$

$$(\omega_1 \pm \omega_2 = \pm\omega_3)$$

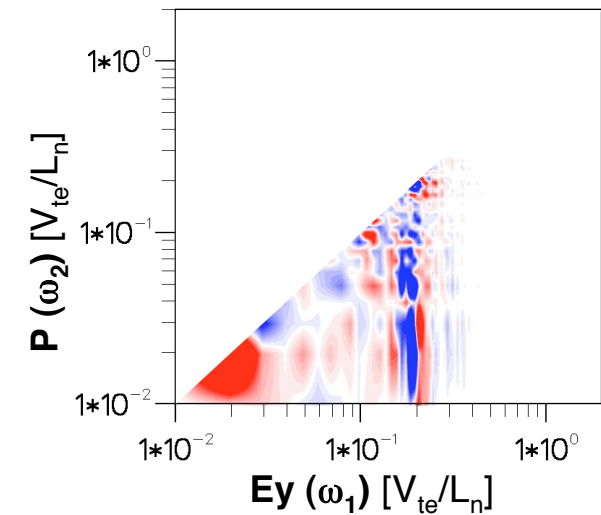
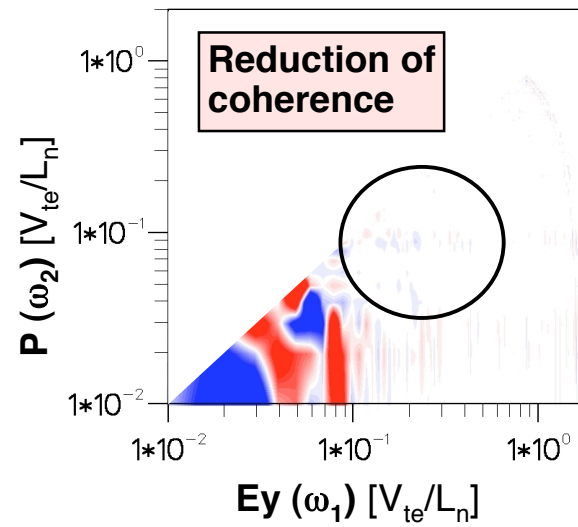
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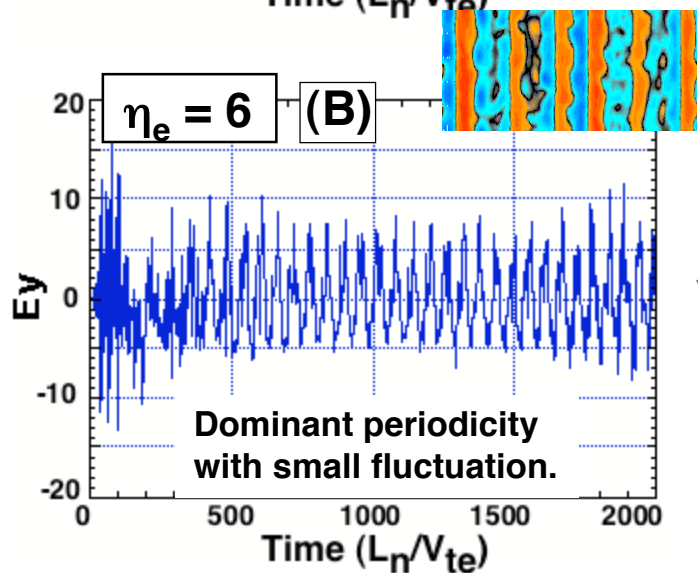
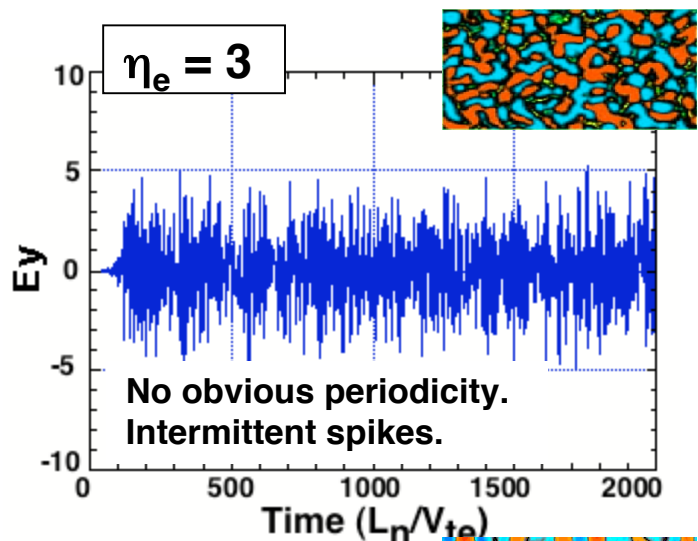
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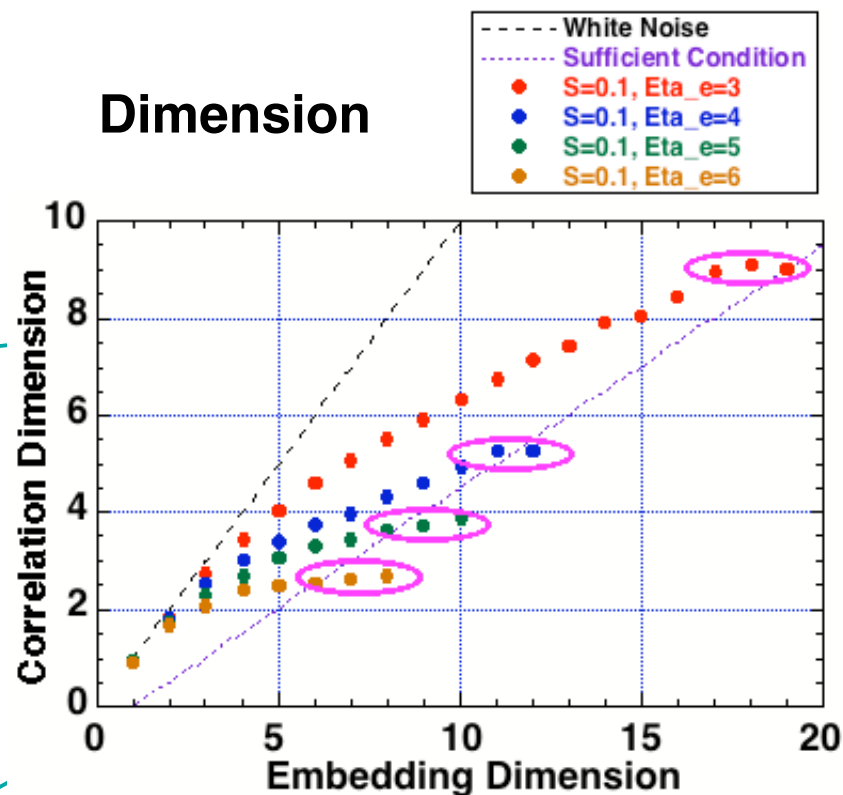
B (GKH-like)



Time series data (s=0.1)



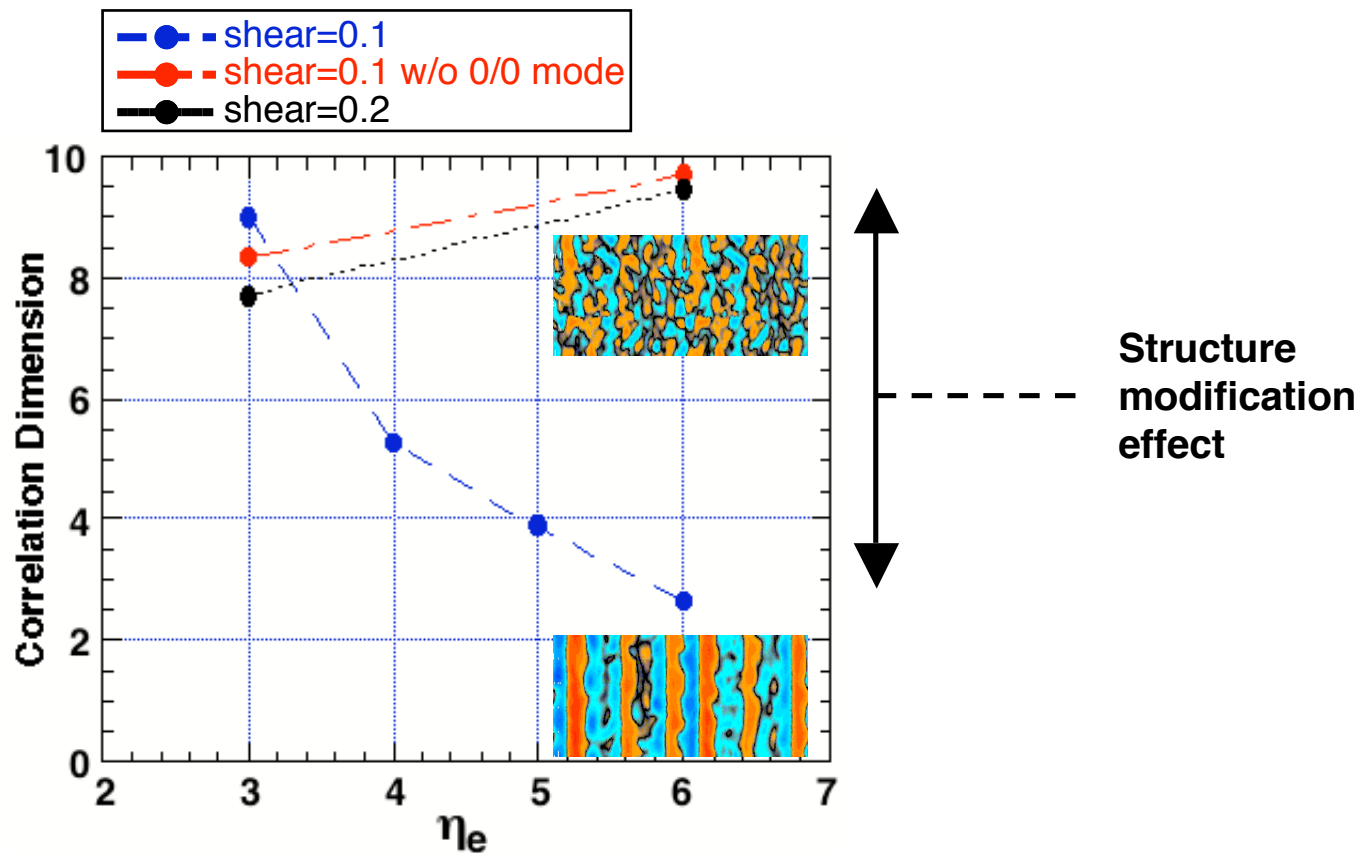
Dimension



High dimensionality is observed in turbulent plasma.

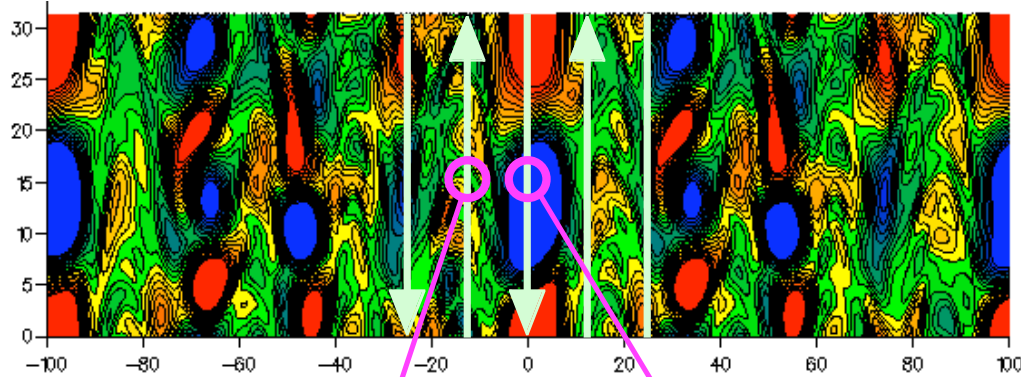
Significant reduction of dimension is observed in ZF dominated plasma.

Change of turbulent structure significantly reduces dimensionality.

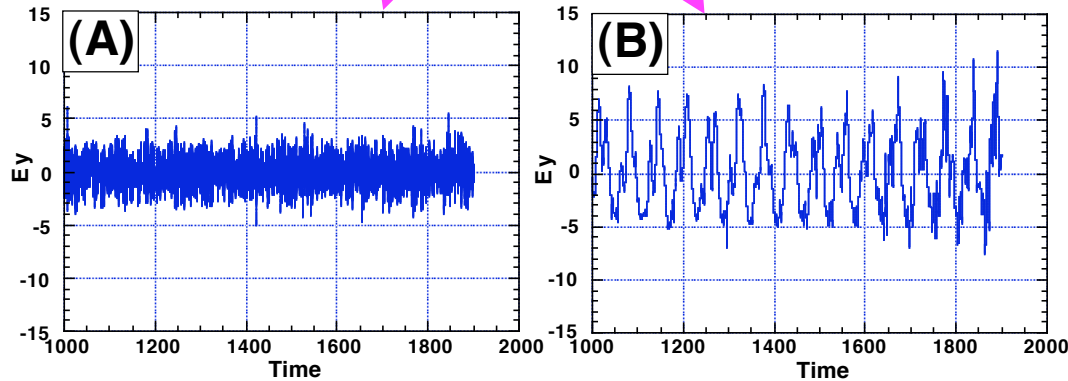


Change of correlation dimension corresponds with the change of structure.

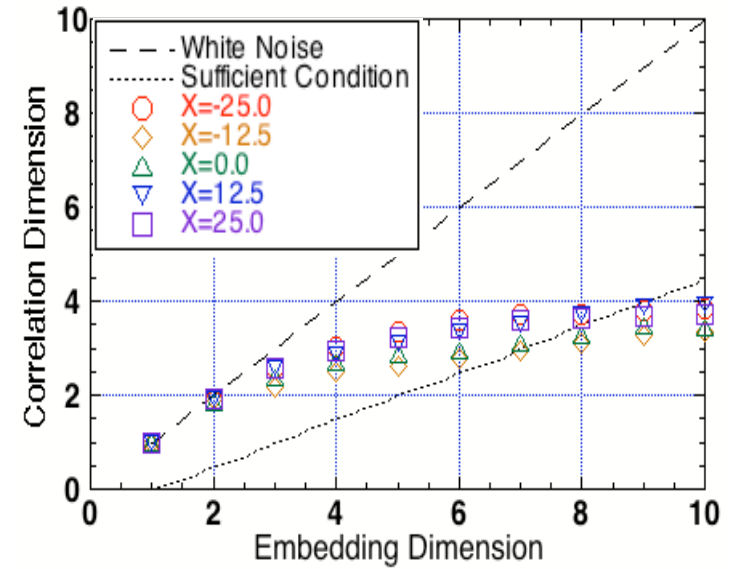
Electrostatic Potential ($s = 0.1, \eta_e = 6$)
(w/o zonal flow component)



Poloidal Electric Field



Dimension



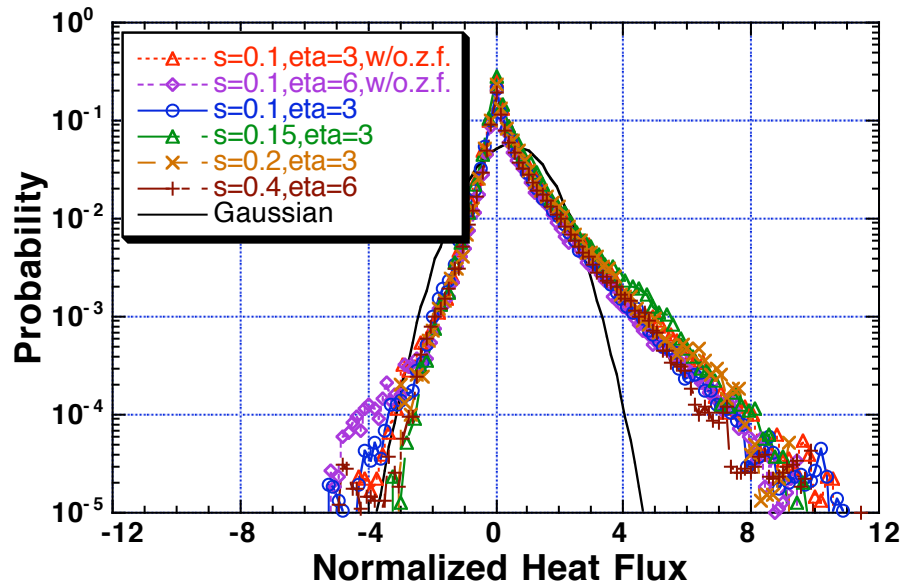
Two regions with different temporal and spatial scales exhibit almost similar correlation dimension.

Turbulent plasma

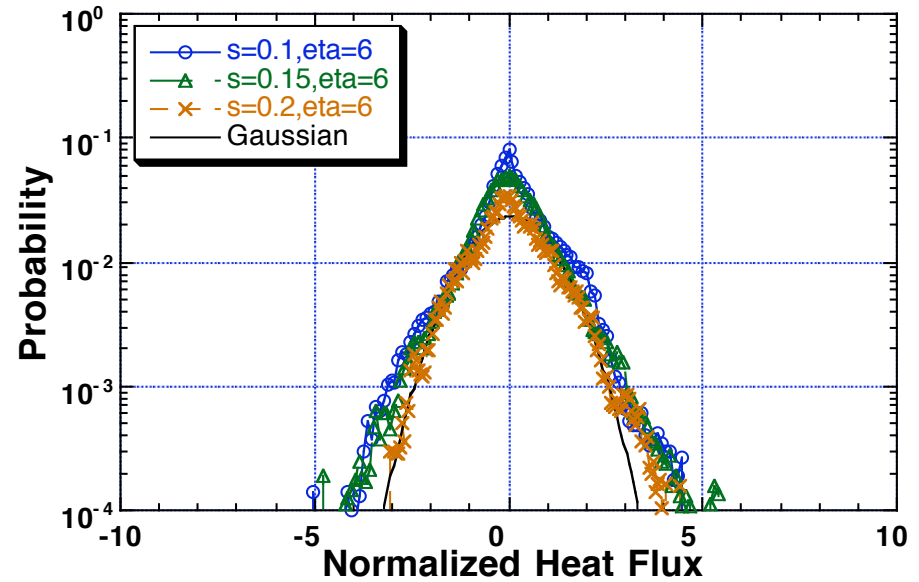
$$\eta_e = 3 - 6$$

$$s = 0.1 - 0.4$$

Z.F. dominated plasma



Similitude of heat flux PDF in ETG driven turbulent plasma

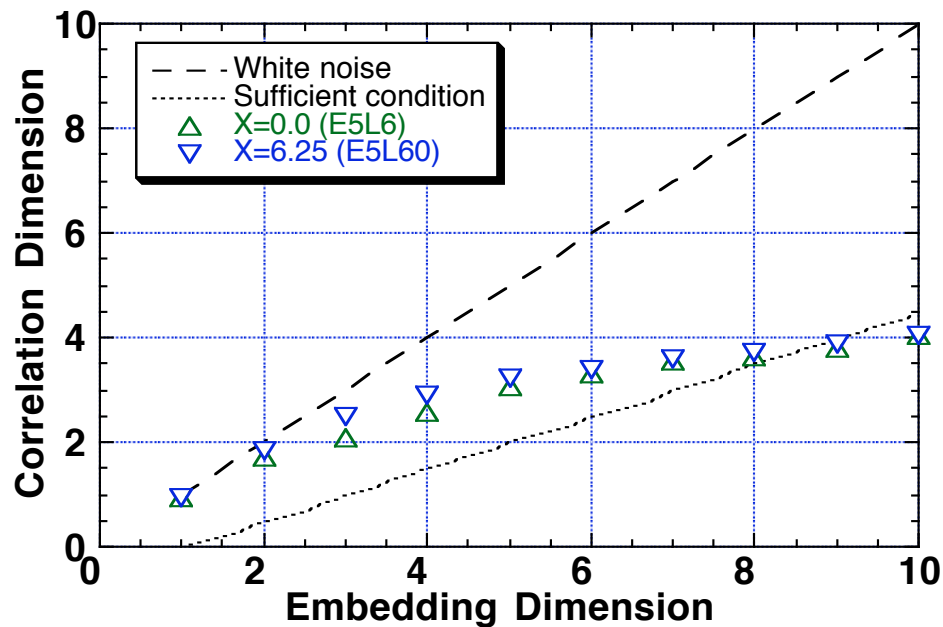


Symmetry of PDF is recovered in Z.F. dominated plasma.

ETG turbulence has a specific intermittency insensitive to magnetic shear and temperature gradient, as long as zonal flow level is low.

Correlation Dimension

($s = 0.2$, $\eta_e = 3$)



- Correlation dimension saturates around 3.5-4.0, similar to zonal flow dominated ITG plasma.
- Constraint of dimensionality is also observed in ITG plasma.

- It is found that the spatiotemporal characteristic scale of fluctuations behind zonal flows significantly varies, depending on the direction of flow.
 - By the cross correlation analysis, it is found that the heat flux reduction in ZF-dominated plasma results from two mechanisms : the coherence reduction and the phase synchronization between E_y and p .
 - By the bi-spectrum analysis of turbulent fluctuations, the mode interactions in quasi-static turbulence are clarified.
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- High dimensionality (8 - 10) and prominent exponential PDF tails are observed in ETG turbulent plasma, which manifest an intermittent transport dynamics with large heat flux.
 - The PDF tails are found to have a prominent similarity insensitive to the plasma parameters such as temperature gradient and magnetic shear unless zonal flows are excited. \implies Prediction of frequency and size of intermittent bursts.
 - In plasmas dominated by zonal flows and tertiary waves, a significant reduction of dimensionality (3 - 4) is observed accompanied by disappearance of the exponential tails of PDF. \implies Evaluation of zonal flows dominancy.