

# Statistical mechanics and kinetic theory of the 2D Euler and stochastic Navier-Stokes equations

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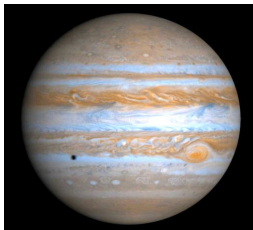
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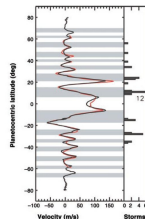
- I) Introduction
- II) Equilibrium Statistical mechanics of the 2D Euler equations
- III) Kinetic theory of the 2D Euler and Navier-Stokes equations
- IV) Non-equilibrium phase transitions and large deviations in the 2D Navier-Stokes equations

# Kinetic Theory of Earth and Jupiter's Zonal Jets

These jets does not seem to be maximum entropy states



Jupiter atmosphere



Jupiter Zonal wind (Voyager and Cassini, from Porco et al 2003)

How far are we to reproduce such phenomena in numerical simulations ? How to theoretically predict such velocity profile ?

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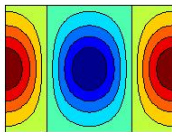
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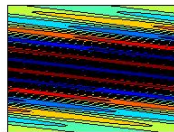
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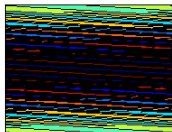
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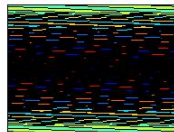
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Evolution of the perturbation vorticity  $\omega(t)$ , advected by a constant shear  $s$

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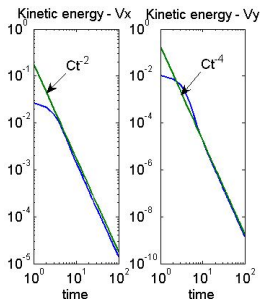
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Evolution of the perturbation kinetic energy for the transverse and longitudinal components of the velocity  $\mathbf{v}(t)$

- The shear acts as an effective dissipation (Phase mixing)

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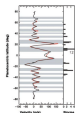
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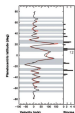
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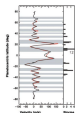


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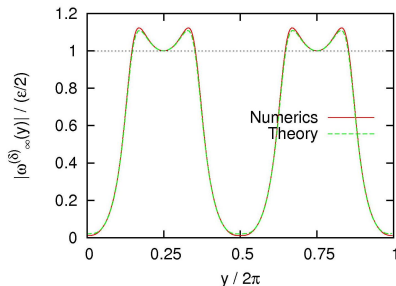
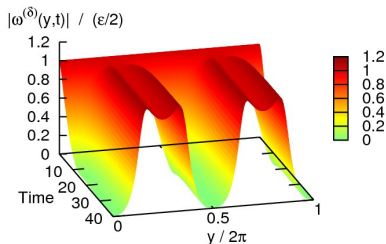
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- The Kolmogorov flow is stable for  $\delta > 1$  (Lyapunov stability), spectrally and linearly stable (easily proved)
- This flow has no neutral modes

# Asymptotic Behavior of the Linearized Euler Eq.

Base flow with stationary streamlines: depletion of the vorticity perturbation at the stationary streamlines



Evolution of the perturbation vorticity  $\omega(t)$ , advected by a shear flow  
 $U(y) = \cos(y)$  with stationary points in  $y = 0$  and  $y = \pi$



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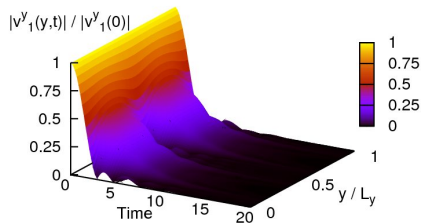
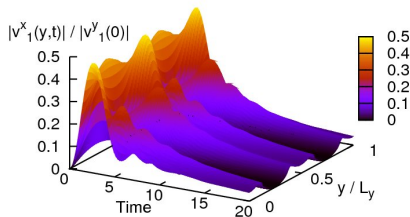
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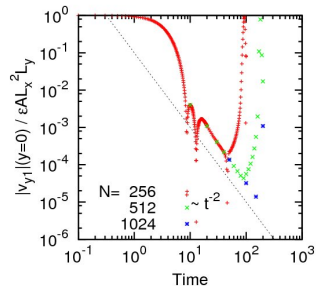
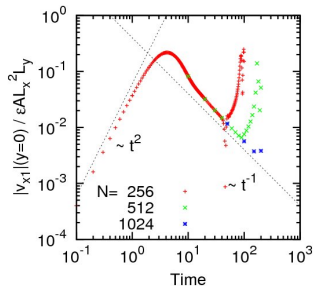
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The velocity perturbation converges to zero (asymptotic stability) even without dissipation

# Asymptotic Behavior of the Linearized Euler Eq.:

## Conclusions

- Asymptotically oscillating vorticity fields
- Algebraic decay of the velocity field with  $1/t$  or  $1/t^2$  laws, whatever the cases (except at stationary streamlines).
- All cases of base flow with any type of shear have been treated
- Depletion of the vorticity perturbation at the stationary streamlines
- Axisymmetric vortices should behave the same way
- The perturbation converges (weak topology) towards a Young measure

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- Dynamics of the empirical measure  
 $f_e(q, p, t) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_k \delta(q - q_k(t), p - p_k(t))$
- **The mean field limit:**  $N \rightarrow \infty$  for times  $t \ll C \log(N)$ .  $f_e$  remain close to the solution of the **Vlasov equation** :

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + p \frac{\partial f}{\partial q} - \frac{\partial \Phi[f]}{\partial q} \frac{\partial f}{\partial p} = 0$$

- With  $\phi$  the mean field potential

$$\Phi[f](q) \equiv \int dq_1 dp_1 V(q - q_1) f(q_1, p_1, t)$$

## Beyond the Mean Field Limit

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^N p_k^2 + \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{k,l=1}^N V(q_k - q_l)$$

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- We see the Vlasov equation as a consequence of the law of large numbers  $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} f_e = f$
- Beyond the law of large numbers: Gaussian fluctuations (of order  $1/\sqrt{N}$ ).  $f_e = f + \delta f / \sqrt{N}$
- What is the dynamics of those fluctuations ?

# Rough Ideas About Corrections to the Vlasov Equations

## Fluctuation Dynamics

$$\frac{\partial f_e}{\partial t} + p \frac{\partial f_e}{\partial q} - \frac{\partial \Phi[f_e]}{\partial q} \frac{\partial f_e}{\partial p} = 0$$

- Formal asymptotic expansion  $f_e = f + \delta f / \sqrt{N}$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + p \frac{\partial f}{\partial q} - \frac{\partial \Phi[f]}{\partial q} \frac{\partial f}{\partial p} = \frac{1}{N} \left\langle \frac{\partial \Phi[\delta f]}{\partial q} \frac{\partial \delta f}{\partial p} \right\rangle$$

$$\frac{\partial \delta f}{\partial t} + L_f[\delta f] = 0$$

- At leading order the fluctuations are transported by the linearized Vlasov equation

## Rough Ideas About Fluctuation Dynamics

$$\frac{\partial \delta f}{\partial t} + L_f [\delta f] = 0$$

- Second order correlation function

$$g(q_1, p_1, q_2, p_2, t) = \langle \delta f(q_1, p_1, t) \delta f(q_2, p_2, t) \rangle$$

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial t} + L_f^1 [g] + L_f^2 [g] = S$$

- Fluctuations dynamics is governed by a Lyapunov equation (the equation for the two-points correlation of an Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process). This is a general rule. See for instance **fluctuating hydrodynamics**.

# The Lenard-Balescu Equation

- After solving the Lyapunov equations for the second order correlation function we obtain **the Lenard-Balescu equation**:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \text{Vlasov}[f] = \frac{1}{N} \left\langle \frac{\partial \Phi[\delta f]}{\partial q} \frac{\partial \delta f}{\partial p} \right\rangle = \frac{1}{N} \mathcal{L}\mathcal{B}[f]$$

- The Vlasov equation is an approximation of the **Lenard-Balescu equation**. In plasma, the Vlasov operator is a good approximation of the Lenard-Balescu one for scales much larger than the Debye length.

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# Mean Field Hamiltonian and Stochastic Forces

A simpler framework from a mathematical point of view

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^N p_k^2 + \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{k,l=1}^N V(q_k - q_l)$$

- Hamiltonian dynamics plus stochastic forces

$$\dot{q}_i = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_i}, \quad \text{and} \quad \dot{p}_i = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial q_i} - \alpha p_i + \sqrt{\alpha} F(q_i, t)$$

- $\alpha$ : friction constant.  $F(q, t)$  is a homogeneous Gaussian process with zero mean and variance

$$\langle F(q, t) F(q', t') \rangle = C(|q - q'|) \delta(t - t')$$

- Force spectrum:  $c_k \equiv \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} dq C(q) e^{-ikq} > 0$
- We expect fluctuations of order  $\sqrt{\alpha}$  due to the stochastic force and  $1/\sqrt{N}$  due to the potential

## Energy Balance

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- A close equation for the average specific energy  $e = H/N$

$$\left\langle \frac{de}{dt} \right\rangle = -2\alpha \langle \kappa \rangle + \frac{\alpha}{2} C(0)$$

- $\kappa = \sum_{i=1}^N p_i^2 / (2N)$  is the kinetic energy per particle
- Average kinetic energy, for the stationary state

$$\langle \kappa \rangle_{ss} = C(0)/4$$

# N-particle Fokker-Planck Equation

- Evolution of the  $N$ -particle distribution function  $f_N(q_1, \dots, q_N, p_1, \dots, p_N, t)$  (after averaging over the noise realization)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial f_N}{\partial t} + \sum_{i=1}^N p_i \frac{\partial f_N}{\partial q_i} + \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i,j=1}^N V'(q_i - q_j) \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i} - \frac{\partial}{\partial p_j} \right] f_N = \dots \\ \dots = \alpha \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\partial(p_i f_N)}{\partial p_i} + \frac{\alpha}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^N C(q_i - q_j) \frac{\partial^2 f_N}{\partial p_i \partial p_j} \end{aligned}$$

- With  $\alpha = 0$ , we get the Liouville equation for the Hamiltonian dynamics

# The BBGKY Hierarchy

- The  $n$  particle distribution function

$$f_n(q_1, p_1, \dots, q_n, p_n, t) = \int \prod_{i=n+1}^N dq_i dp_i f_N(q_1, p_1, \dots, q_N, p_N, t)$$

- We denote  $f(q, p, t) = f_1(q, p, t)$
- We anticipate that at leading order we expect loss of correlation (Stosszahl ansatz)

$$f_n(q_1, p_1, \dots, q_n, p_n, t) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(q_i, p_i, t) + \alpha g_n(q_1, p_1, \dots, q_n, p_n, t)$$

- Each  $g_n$  is governed by an equation involving  $(f, g_2, \dots, g_{n+1})$ . This is called the BBGKY hierarchy
- $g_2$  is denoted  $g$

# The Two First Equation of the BBGKY Hierarchy

- For pedagogical reasons, we assume an homogenous state:  
 $f(q, p) = f(p)$  and  $g(q_1, q_2, p_1, p_2) = g(q_1 - q_2, p_1, p_2)$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \text{Vlasov}[f] = \alpha \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial p} (pf) + \frac{C(0)}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial p^2} + \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \int dq_2 dp_2 V'(q_2) g(q_2, p, p_2, t) \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial g}{\partial t} + \left[ p_1 \frac{\partial g}{\partial q_1} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial p}(p_1) \int dq_3 dp_3 V'(q_1 - q_3) g(q_3 - q_2, p_3, p_2, t) \right] + \{1 \leftrightarrow 2\} = \dots \\ \dots = C(q_1 - q_2) \frac{\partial f}{\partial p}(p_1) \frac{\partial f}{\partial p}(p_2) + \frac{\alpha}{N} \mathcal{N}_2(f, g) + \alpha \mathcal{N}_3(f, g, g_3) \end{aligned}$$

- The hierarchy appears as an ordered expansion both in powers of  $\alpha$  and  $1/N$
- We discuss for instance the mean-field stochastic regime  $1/N \ll \alpha \ll 1$  (the limit  $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty}$ )

## Truncation at First Non Trivial Order

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- We assume that  $f(p)$  is a stable steady solution of the Vlasov equation, in order for  $f$  to evolve over a slow time scale (for instance  $1/\alpha$ )
- We assume, that for fixed  $f$ , the Lyapunov equation converge for large times to  $g_\infty[f]$
- Bogolyubov hypothesis: the kinetic equation is

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# Kinetic Equation

- All computations can be performed explicitly. Then

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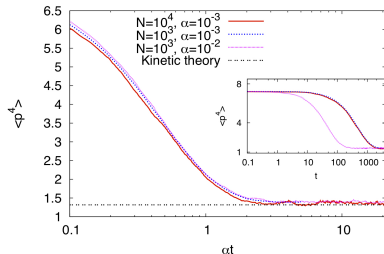
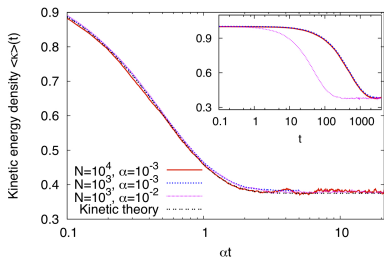
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# Kinetic Evolution from Numerical Simulation



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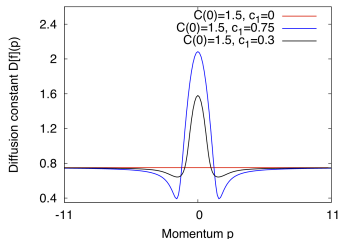
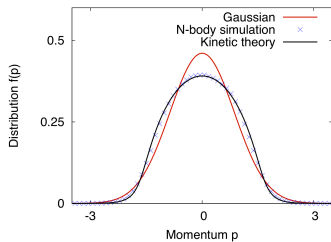
$\langle p^4 \rangle$  as a function of  $\alpha t$

( $C(0) = 1.5$ , and  $c_1 = 0.75$ )

- This is an evidence of kinetic evolution over a time scale  $1/\alpha$



# Kinetic Equation Predicts the Stationary Distribution



Stationary distribution ( $\alpha = 0.01$ ,  
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Stationary diffusion  
coefficient

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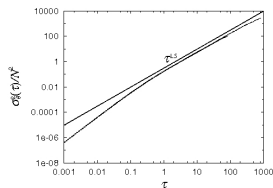
# Kinetic Theory: Diluted Gases Versus Long Range Systems

Two opposite limits but strong analogies for the kinetic theories

	Short-ranged (gases)	Long-range
Small parameter	$a/l = 1/(\pi a^2 n)$	$1/N$
Initial evolution	Collisionless Boltzmann	Vlasov equation
Late relaxation	Boltzmann equation	Lenard-Balescu
Vanishing correlations	Yes	Yes
Boltzmann entropy	Yes	Yes
Stosszahl Ansatz	Yes	Yes
Steady states of the initial evolution	Local thermal equilibrium	Quasistationary states
Relaxation time scale	$\propto l/\bar{v}$ or larger	$\propto N$ or larger
Long temporal correlations and algebraic decays	Yes	?
	Yes	?
Anomalous diffusion		?

# Algebraic Decays and Anomalous Diffusion

Long range system : the relaxation of a test particle in a bath



- Using kinetic theory, we derive a Fokker-Planck equation for a particle in a bath. Rapidly decaying diffusion coefficient.
- The Fokker Planck equation has a continuous spectrum
- Algebraic decay for large times of correlation functions
- We compute analytically the exponent using matched asymptotic expansions

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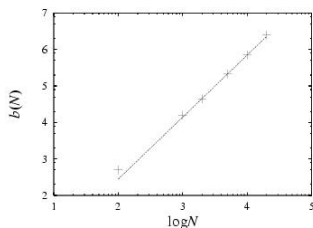
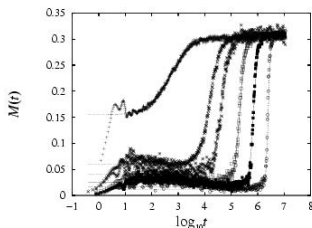
- Valid when  $f$  is close to a stable steady state of the Vlasov equation
- What are the limits of the Vlasov and Lenard–Balescu equations ?



# What are the Limits of Kinetic Theory ?

How long are the Vlasov equation valid, or the Lenard-Balescu equation valid ?

- The  $C \log(N)$  upper bound for the validity of the Vlasov equation is optimal K. Jain, F. Bouchet, and D. Mukamel (2007), J.Stat. Mech.



$\tau \propto N^{1.7}$ . This is not consistent with simple use of kinetic theory

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## The 2D Stochastic Navier-Stokes (SNS) Equations

- Navier Stokes equation with a random force

$$\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \omega = \nu \Delta \omega - \alpha \omega + \sqrt{\sigma} f_s$$

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- Some recent mathematical results: Kuksin, Sinai, Shirikyan, Bricmont, Kupiainen, Hairer, etc;
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  - Will we stay close to some steady solutions of the Euler equation?
  - Can we describe these statistically stationary states and their properties?

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- The time unit has been chosen such that  $E = 1 - \mathcal{O}(\nu/\alpha)$ .
- $1/\alpha = U/\alpha L$  is a Reynolds' number based on the large scale friction.
- Two main regimes
- ①  $\alpha \gg 1$ : the flow is not much affected by the box. The energy is dissipated before reaching the box size. Cascade regime (possibly)
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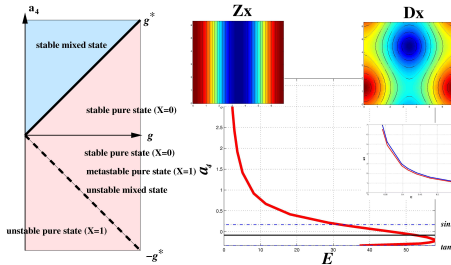
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## Energy-Casimir Variational Problems

$$S(E) = \max_{\omega} \left\{ \int_{\mathcal{D}} d\mathbf{r} s(\omega) \mid \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathcal{D}} d\mathbf{r} \frac{\mathbf{v}^2}{2} = E \right\}.$$

- Numerical results : Z. Yin, D. C. Montgomery, and H. J. H. Clercx, *Phys. Fluids* (2003).
- Maxima:  $\omega = \Delta \psi = (s')^{-1}(\beta \psi)$  (stable steady states of the Euler Eq.).
- In the following, normal form analysis with  $s(\omega) = -\frac{\omega^2}{2} + a_4 \frac{\omega^4}{4} + \dots$
- Geometry parameter  $g = E(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2) \propto (L_x - L_y)$ .

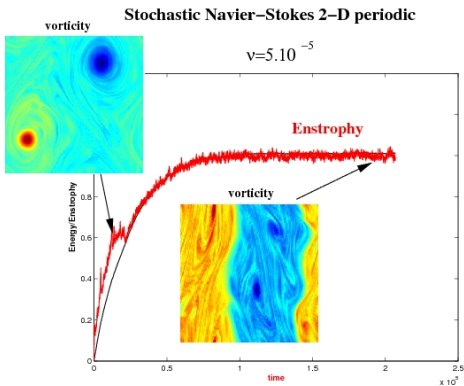
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Bifurcation analysis : degeneracy removal, either by the domain geometry ( $g$ ) or by the nonlinearity of the vorticity-stream function relation ( $f$ , parameter  $a_4$ ).

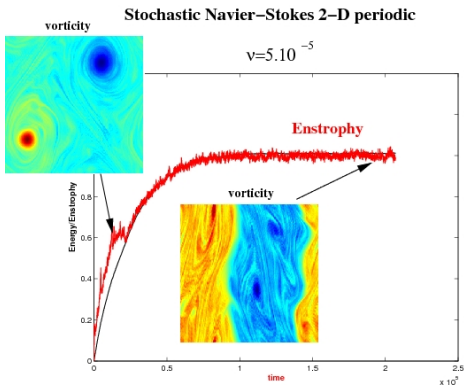
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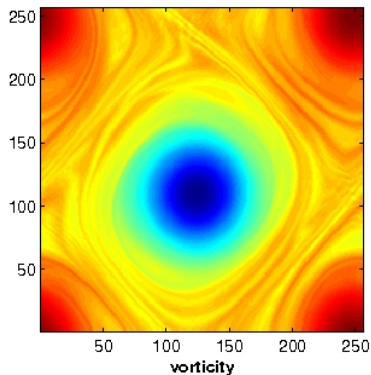
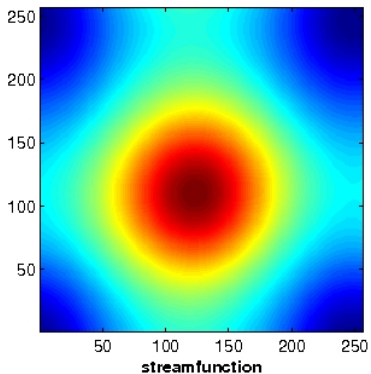
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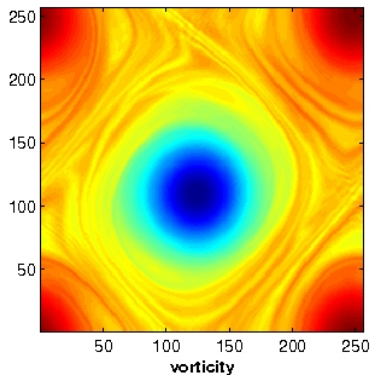
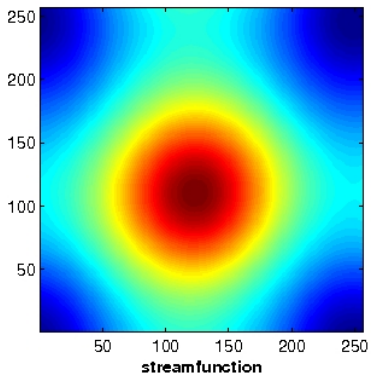
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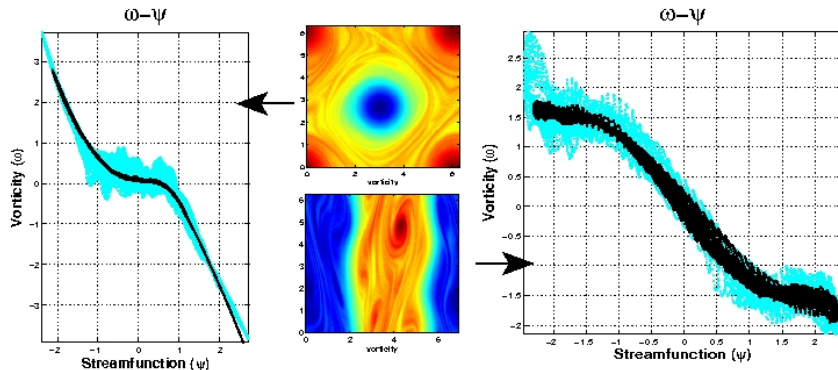


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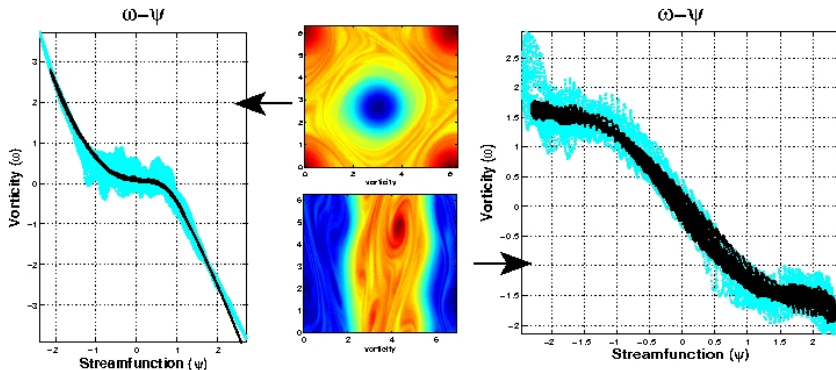
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## Leading Order: 2D Euler Steady States

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- At leading order we expect a 2D Euler steady state  $\mathbf{V}_0$  with vorticity  $\Omega_0$ :  $\mathbf{V}_0 \cdot \nabla \Omega_0 = 0$
- We assume for simplicity a stable parallel base flow  $\Omega_0(y)$  and  $\mathbf{V}_0 = U(y) \mathbf{e}_x$
- The linearized 2D Euler equations

$$\partial_t \delta \omega + L_{\Omega_0} [\delta \omega] = 0 \text{ with } L[\delta \omega] = \mathbf{V}_0 \cdot \nabla \delta \omega + \delta \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \Omega_0$$

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$$\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \omega = -\alpha \omega + \sqrt{2\alpha} f_s$$

- We decompose the field into slow (parallel flows) and fast variables

$$\Omega_0(y) = P[\omega] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\mathcal{D}} dx \omega \quad \text{and} \quad \sqrt{\alpha} \delta \omega = \omega - \Omega_0$$

- Projected equations (exact)

$$\partial_t \Omega_0 = -\alpha \Omega_0 - \alpha P[\delta \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \delta \omega] + \sqrt{2\alpha} P[f_S(\mathbf{x}, t)]$$

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- We will study the quasilinear approximation and discuss if this approximation is self-consistent in the limit  $\alpha \rightarrow 0$
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- Linear: Gaussian process (two point correlations, Lyapunov equation)
- Theoretical difficulty : the deterministic linearized operator is non normal (no mode decomposition)
- Infinite dimensional linear operator : non trivial non-exponential behaviors
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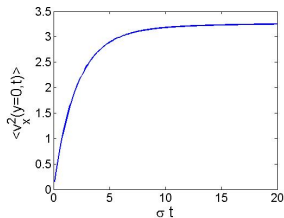
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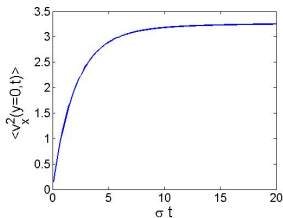
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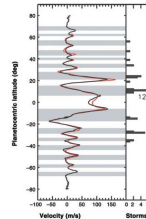
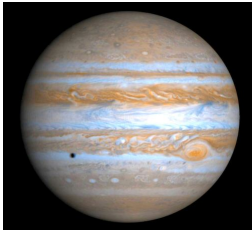
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- Ongoing work : study of this nonlinear Fokker-Planck equation, at a mathematical and physical level
- Comparison with experiments and direct numerical simulations



# Kinetic Theory of Earth and Jupiter's Zonal Jets

These jets does not seem to be maximum entropy states



Jupiter atmosphere

Jupiter Zonal wind (Voyager and Cassini, from Porco et al 2003)

How far are we to reproduce such phenomena in numerical simulations ? How to theoretically predict such velocity profile ?



# Summary

## Messages :

- For the 2D Euler equations, the equivalent of the Landau damping is **the Orr mechanism**
- **For perturbations of any stable shear flows, the decay of the velocity perturbation is asymptotically algebraic**
- We propose a kinetic theory for stochastic mean field Hamiltonians. **The kinetic equation describes the relaxation towards the stationary momentum distribution**
- **A similar kinetic approach is proposed for the 2D stochastic Navier-Stokes equations**
- **We have thoroughly studied the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process for the 2D linearized Euler equations and its asymptotics**

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