

$$\nabla P_{\perp} + \mathbf{B} \nabla_{\parallel} \left(\frac{P_{\Delta}}{B} \right) + \frac{P_{\Delta}}{B} \nabla_{\perp} B = \frac{\sigma}{c} \mathbf{J} \times \mathbf{B} \quad (96)$$

$$\sigma \equiv 1 - 4\pi \frac{P_{\Delta}}{B^2} = 1 + 4\pi \frac{(P_{\perp} - P_{\parallel})}{B^2} \quad (97)$$

From eq. (97),

$$\frac{B^2}{4\pi} \nabla_{\perp} \sigma = -B \nabla_{\perp} \left(\frac{P_{\Delta}}{B} \right) + \frac{P_{\Delta}}{B} \nabla_{\perp} B \quad (a1)$$

Put (a1) into (96) using 2nd term in RHS of (a1), it could be

$$\nabla P_{\perp} + \mathbf{B} \nabla_{\parallel} \left(\frac{P_{\Delta}}{B} \right) + \frac{B^2}{4\pi} \nabla_{\perp} \sigma + B \nabla_{\perp} \left(\frac{P_{\Delta}}{B} \right) = \frac{\sigma}{c} \mathbf{J} \times \mathbf{B} \quad (a2)$$

$$\nabla P_{\perp} + B \nabla_{\parallel} \left(\frac{P_{\Delta}}{B} \right) = \frac{\sigma}{c} \mathbf{J} \times \mathbf{B} - \frac{B^2}{4\pi} \nabla_{\perp} \sigma \quad (a3)$$

$$\nabla P_{\perp} + \nabla P_{\Delta} + B P_{\Delta} \nabla \left(\frac{1}{B} \right) = \frac{\sigma}{4\pi} (\nabla \times \mathbf{B}) \times \mathbf{B} - \frac{B^2}{4\pi} \nabla_{\perp} \sigma \quad (a4)$$

Considering $P_{\Delta} = P_{\parallel} - P_{\perp}$, and $\nabla_{\perp} \sigma = \mathbf{b} \times (\nabla \sigma \times \mathbf{b})$, eq. (a4) can be described as

$$\nabla P_{\parallel} - \frac{P_{\Delta}}{B} \nabla B = \frac{1}{4\pi} \sigma (\nabla \times \mathbf{B}) \times \mathbf{B} + \frac{1}{4\pi} (\nabla \sigma \times \mathbf{B}) \times \mathbf{B} \quad (a5)$$

With $\sigma (\nabla \times \mathbf{B}) + (\nabla \sigma \times \mathbf{B}) = \nabla \times \sigma \mathbf{B}$, (a5) becomes

$$\nabla P_{\parallel} - \frac{P_{\Delta}}{B} \nabla B = \frac{1}{4\pi} (\nabla \times \sigma \mathbf{B}) \times \mathbf{B} \quad (a6)$$

Therefore

$$\frac{1}{c} \mathbf{K} \times \mathbf{B} = \nabla P_{\parallel} - \frac{P_{\Delta}}{B} \nabla B \quad (98)$$

where

$$\mathbf{K} \equiv \frac{c}{4\pi} \nabla \times \sigma \mathbf{B} \quad (99)$$

"Northrop-Whiteman current"(Northrop and Whiteman, 1964)