Towards a Mean Field dynamo in SPMHD

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Outlook

- -Introduction to the mean field theory
- -Introduction to SPMHD
- -Testing of SPH implementation
- -Steps towards Astrophysics (turbulence)
- -Conclusions

Physical Motivation.....

 $\vec{V} = \langle \vec{V} \rangle + \vec{v}$



-Hydrodynamics is complex -Separation of the problem in parts, is helpful to our understanding



Mean Field Theory.....



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SPMHD

- Lagrangian Scheme
- The mass is discretized, not volume
- Huge dynamical range
- We use a compact Kernel to "smooth" the properties, and build derivatives
- Easy integration with gravity calculation



SPMHD

 $\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\vec{V} \times \vec{B})$

 $\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\vec{V} \times \vec{B}) - \nabla \vec{\Phi}$

 $\frac{\partial \vec{\Phi}}{\partial t} = c_h \nabla \cdot \vec{B} + c_p \vec{\Phi}$ $\frac{\partial \vec{\Phi}}{\partial t} = c^2 \nabla \cdot \vec{B} + \frac{c}{\lambda} \vec{\Phi}$

Stasyszyn et al. 2012 Dedner et al 2002

$\nabla \cdot \vec{B} \approx 0$



SPMHD $\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\alpha \vec{B} - \beta \nabla \times \vec{B})$

• Numerical Options: $\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\alpha \vec{B} - \beta \nabla \times \vec{B})$ Or? $\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\alpha \vec{B}) - \nabla \beta \times \nabla \times \vec{B} + \beta \nabla^{2} \vec{B}$

Therefore we have plenty of possible implementations, with their respective performance and different accuracies

• Meinel (1990)

Alpha Quenching

$$\alpha = \frac{\alpha_0}{R/R + 1}$$

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$$\alpha_{crit} = \left(\frac{\pi}{H} + \frac{x_1^1}{R_0}\right)^{1/2}$$

• Meinel (1990)







-Resolution convergence, towards the critical values.



-Slow resolution convergence towards the critical values. (SPH inherent smoothing)

Anisotropic α





(Video)





Same Bias as previous tests

Alpha-Omega

- Mean field equations + Differential rotation



Alpha-Omega

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Differential rotation: Brandt Law

Alpha Omega



- α evolution not stable
- Critical α, lower than expected.

SPMHD – Proof of Concept



SPMHD – Proof of concept



Important contribution from the IGM, otherwise the B field is truncated. (wrong boundary conditions) and B field distribution.

Mean Field SPMHD

Status

- α and β terms implemented (in tensor form)
- α²-dynamo tested
- α - ω dynamo in testing face
- Critical α , in general smaller than expected
- Simple galaxy models developed

Tests caveats:

- SPH densities energies inhomogeneities
- Long term stability and convergence

Pause: Turbulence

- Turbulence: statistical nature
- Book definitions:
 - Correlation functions
 - Structure functions
- Actual definitions:
 - <RMS>
 - <RMS> Multiscale

 $S(r) = \left\langle (f(x-r) - f(x))^2 \right\rangle$



Stasyszyn 2012, Vazza 2012, Kotarba 2011



-Turbulent box: 4 pc^3, ~256^3 - initial Kolmogorov spectrum



Random fields, have an average Small coherence lengths.

Turbulent Random 5 **Turbulent Velocity** y

Random fields, have an average Higher turbulent velocity.





Tub. Velocity expected (from Full K-H instability)~ 0.25, close to measured



Conclusions

- Structure Function estimator gives turbulent Velocity and coherence length
- We can identify random field from turbulent fields
- No influence of shear cases in laminar flows
- Values measured are consistent with theory
- No overhead in calculation (inside Gravity)

Status and Prospects

- Implemented the mean field equations in SPMHD
- Consistence checks with other solutions (analytically or/and numerically)
- Concept proof of Disk Galaxy initial conditions
- New estimator for Turbulent components
- Understand the differences between tests
- Detailed studies of the different α - ω cases
- Develop more realistic galaxy models (including data from HR simulations, star formation, etc)
- Synergy between other projects (Cosmic rays, Observables, Galaxy Clusters, etc).