# Chapter 3. Closed Magnetic Confinement Systems

**Reading assignments:** Harms Chap. 10, Stacey Chap. 4,

## 1. Tokamak system

Russian: TOroidalnaya KAmera MAgnit Katushka (English: Toroidal Chamber Magnetic Coil)

## A. Features

## Magnetic fields:

- \*  $Toroidal field B_{\phi}$  produced by TFC (toroidal field coils) around a torus
- \* **Polodal field**  $B_p$  produced by plasma current  $j_{\phi}$  induced by transformer  $(-\frac{\partial B}{\partial t} = \nabla \times E \ \Rightarrow \ -\frac{d^{\Psi}_{trans}}{dt} = \oint E \cdot dl$   $\Rightarrow \ E_{\phi} = -\frac{1}{2\pi R} \frac{d^{\Psi}_{trans}}{dt}$

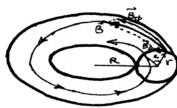
 $\Rightarrow$   $\mathbf{j}_{\phi} = \sigma \mathbf{E} = \frac{\mathbf{E}}{n}$ 



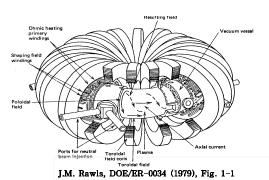
\* Helical field lines B with small pitch or rotational transform (  $\iota$  )

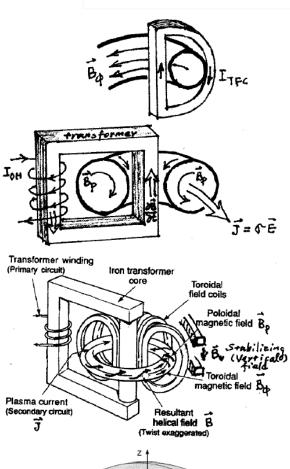
$$\frac{\iota_{r}}{2\pi R} = \frac{B_{p}}{B_{\phi}}$$

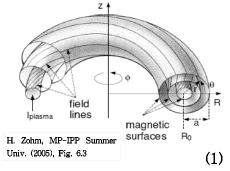
$$\Rightarrow \iota = \frac{2\pi}{(rB_{\phi}/RB_{p})} \equiv \frac{2\pi}{q}$$



Safety factor 
$$q \equiv \frac{2\pi}{\iota} = \frac{r}{R} \frac{B_{\phi}}{B_{p}}$$







= # of transits around the torus when the field lines go around  $2\pi$  in the poloidal angle

Magnetic shear 
$$S$$
:

$$S \propto \frac{\iota'}{\iota} \propto \frac{q'}{q}$$



Magnetic surface with a constant  $\Psi$  covered with *ergodic field lines*. OHC(ohmic heating coils) produce self-consistent plasma current  $j_{\phi}$ , and thereby poloidal magnetic field  $B_{\phi}$  or  $B_{\theta}$ , and ohmic heating power  $P_{OH}$ .

VFC(vertical field coils) or EFC(equilibrium field coils) produce *equilibrium field*  $B_V$  to prevent a toroidal plasma column from moving toward the outboard side of torus *Features* 

 $B_p$  by internal plasma current

Pulsed and complicated operation

Complex coil geometry ( $B_{\phi} > B_{\phi} > B_{V}$ )

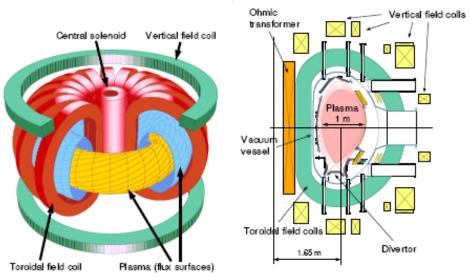
Difficult engineering design

Large minimum unit size (  $n\tau_E \propto I^a \times V^b$ )

High  $n\tau_E$ 

Flexibility of heating(NBI, RFs, Compression, ...) and refueling(gas puffing, pellet, ...)

## B. Main components and their functions



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W. Suttrop, MP-IPP Summer Univ. (2005), Figs. 7.3-7.4

### 1) Toroidal vacuum vessel

- High strength & resistance material (S.S. low  $\eta$ ) with bellows (high  $\eta$ , 14 in TFTR  $\Rightarrow$  ~3  $m\Omega$ ) sections (or ceramic breaks + insulated slit)
- · Base pressure  $\sim < 10^{-7} torr$  (clean, no leaks, no gassy matter) Bake out ( $\sim 150_{\circ}$  C), Gas discharge cleaning
- · Main turbopumps (2,000 l/s SNUT-79, 10,000 l/s TFTR) Auxiliary pump (Rotary 1,200 l/m SNUT-79 ,

 $T_i$  gettering, ZrAl getter panel in TFTR $\sim 10^{-9}$  torr)

· Internal structures: Plasma facing components (PFC)

Limiters (C tile: good refractive, thermal, electrical conductor, low Z)

Diverter plates

Antennas

Protective plates (C tile): protect "shine thru" of NB Bellows covers: protect runaway electrons

· Manhole access ports for diagnostics, heating, vacuum

## 2) Fuel systems

Gas puffing  $(\sim 10^{-3} torr)$ 

Pellets (frozen fuel):  $2 mm \times 4 mm$ ,  $10^3 m/s$  in TFTR

## 3) Toroidal field coils + power supply

For toroidally axisymmetric tokamaks,

$$B = B_{\phi}(r, \theta) \hat{\phi}$$

$$\nabla \times B = \mu_{o} \mathbf{j}$$

$$\oint B_{\phi} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = \mu_{o} I_{c}$$

$$2\pi R B_{\phi} = \mu_{o} I_{c}$$

$$B_{\phi}(R) = \frac{\mu_{o} I_{c}}{2\pi} \frac{1}{R} = \frac{B_{\phi}^{o} R_{o}}{R}$$

$$= \frac{B_{\phi}^{o} R_{o}}{R_{o} + r \cos \theta} = \frac{B_{\phi}^{o}}{1 + (r/R_{o}) \cos \theta}$$

$$= \frac{B_{\phi}^{o}}{1 + \epsilon \cos \theta} = B_{\phi}(r, \theta) \quad (2)$$

Drift motions in the simple toroidal magnetic field:

$$\boldsymbol{v_D} = \ \boldsymbol{v_c} + \ \boldsymbol{v_{\nabla B}} = \ \frac{\boldsymbol{m}}{qB^2} \bigg[ \ \boldsymbol{v_1^2} \cdot \frac{\boldsymbol{R} \times \boldsymbol{B}}{R^2} + \bigg( \frac{\boldsymbol{v_\perp^2}}{2} \bigg) \! \bigg( \frac{\boldsymbol{B}}{B} \times \nabla B \bigg) \bigg] \ = \ \frac{\boldsymbol{m}}{q} \cdot \frac{1}{R_o B_\phi^o} \bigg[ \ \boldsymbol{v_1^2} + \frac{\boldsymbol{v_\perp^2}}{2} \ \bigg] \ \hat{\boldsymbol{z}}$$

 $\Rightarrow$  charge separation of  $q = e \& i \Rightarrow E \Rightarrow v_{E \times B} = \frac{E \times B}{B^2} = \frac{E}{B_0^o} \frac{R}{R_o}$ 

Discrete structure of TF coils

 $\rightarrow$  ripple (  $\triangle B_{\phi}/B_{\phi}^{o}$  < 1% )  $\rightarrow$   $B_{\phi}(r, \Theta, \phi)$  for nonaxisymm.

D-shaped pure tension coil

## 4) Poloidal field coils + power supply

a. Ohmic heating coils w/ air-core or ion-core

Provides ohmic current  $\rightarrow \iota$  + shear + heating

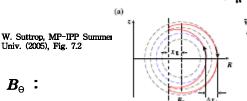
$$j_{\phi} = j_{\phi}(r, \Theta) \widehat{\Theta} \Rightarrow B_{\Theta}(r) = \frac{\mu_{o} I_{\phi}(r)}{2\pi r}$$

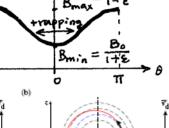
$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_{o} \mathbf{j}$$

or 
$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{1 + \varepsilon \cos \theta} \left[ \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (rB_r) + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} ((1 + \varepsilon \cos \theta)B_{\theta}) + \frac{1}{R_o} \frac{\partial B_{\phi}}{\partial \phi} \right] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow B_{\theta}(r, \theta) = \frac{B_{\theta}^{o}(\theta = 0)}{1 + \varepsilon \cos \theta} \qquad (3)$$

$$\boldsymbol{B}(r,\theta) = B_{\theta}(r,\theta) \; \hat{\theta} + B_{\phi}(r,\theta) \; \hat{\phi} = \frac{B_o}{1 + \epsilon \cos \theta}$$



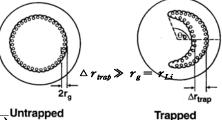


## Effects of $B_{\rho}$ or $B_{\theta}$ :

- i) Rotational transform  $\iota \Rightarrow$ canceling  $v_D$ confinement
- ii) Particle trapping by magnetic mirrors Trapped particles with banana orbits Untrapped particles with circular orbits Trapped fraction:

$$f_{trap} = \sqrt{1 - 1/R_m} = \sqrt{1 - R_{\min}/R_{\max}}$$

$$= \sqrt{1 - (1 - \varepsilon)/(1 + \varepsilon)} = \sqrt{2\varepsilon/(1 + \varepsilon)}$$
Untrapped



(e.g.) For a typical tokamak,  $\varepsilon \equiv a/R_o \approx 1/3 \Rightarrow f_{trap} \approx 70\%$ 

Collisional excursion across flux surfaces:

Untrapped particles =  $2r_g = 2r_{Li}$ 

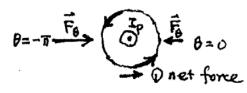
Trapped particles =  $\triangle r_{trap} \gg 2r_g$   $\Rightarrow$  Enhanced banana particle losses

 $E_{\phi} \times B_{\ominus}$  = radially inward drifts of banana ptcls  $\Rightarrow$  Ware-pinch effect

iii) Force imbalance: ① Hoop force



② Tire-tube force

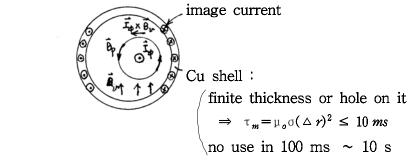


3 Cetrifugal force by rotating plasma

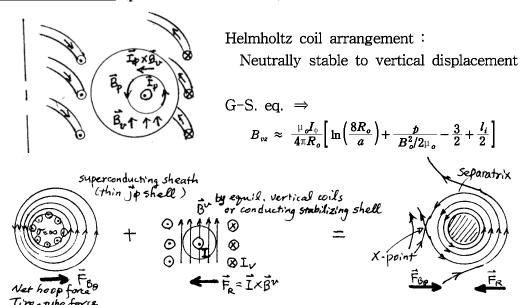
## b. Vertical field (or Equilibrium field) coils

Correct the loss of equilibrium due to loop force

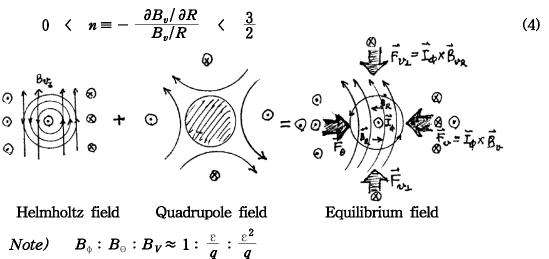
· Copper stabilizing shell (old way)



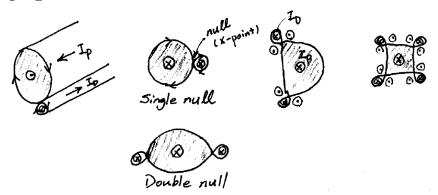
• Vertical field coils (present active control)



Stabilizing condition for vertical and horizontal displacements:



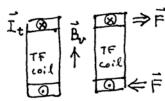
## c. Shaping (Divertor) field coils



## 5) Mechanical structure

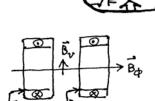
Torque frame, Coil and buswork supports High magnetic forces

Tilting force due to 
$$\overrightarrow{I}_i \times \overrightarrow{B}_v$$
  $\approx 10^6 \ lbs \approx 500 \ tons$ 



Force on PF coils from their colleague neighbors

Buswork carrying current to coils  $\times$  **B**(e.g.) 20 kA  $\times$  3  $T = 6 \times 10^4$  N/m = 6 ton/m



# 6) Basic diagnostic systems + Data acquisition & process systems

Principal plasma parameters:

$$n_{e,i}(\boldsymbol{r},t), T_{e,i}(\boldsymbol{r},t), Z_{eff}(t), Z_{i}(\boldsymbol{r},t), P_{R}(\boldsymbol{r},t)$$

Wave active instabilities :  $T_e(r,t)$ , B(r,t)

Fusion products :  $S_n(r,t)$ ,  $S_n(r,t)$ 

Not measured well yet for high powered tokamaks:

$$j(r,t), E_r(r,t) \rightarrow \phi(r,t)$$

# 7) Auxiliary heating systems

NBI, RF, Adiabatic compression, etc

# 8) Shielding

X-rays, Neutrons, Scattered v

## C. Tokamak Equilibrium

# 1) Equilibrium equations in toroidally axisymmetric $(\frac{\partial}{\partial \Phi} = 0)$ systems

### a. Magnetic fluxes

$$\nabla p = j \times B \tag{5}$$

$$\nabla \times \boldsymbol{B} = \mu_o \boldsymbol{j} \tag{6}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{B} = 0 \tag{7}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{j} = 0 \tag{8}$$

$$(5)_{\mathbf{I}} \Rightarrow \nabla_{\mathbf{I}} p = \mathbf{0} \qquad : p = \text{const along } B$$

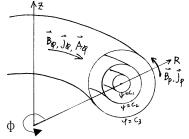
$$B \cdot (5) \Rightarrow B \cdot \nabla p = B \cdot (\mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{B}) = 0 \qquad : B \perp \nabla p \qquad (9)$$

$$Ch.2(6) \Rightarrow B \cdot \nabla \Psi = 0 \qquad : B \perp \nabla \Psi \qquad (10)$$

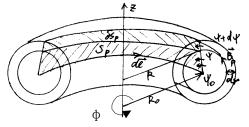
$$Ch.2(6) \Rightarrow \mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla \Psi = 0 \qquad : \mathbf{B} \perp \nabla \Psi \tag{10}$$

where 
$$2\pi \Psi = \int_{S} \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{S}$$
 : magnetic flux (11)

Magnetic (flux) surface ( $\psi = const.$ ) = Isobaric surface (p = const.)



## b. Poloidal magnetic flux



 $S_p$  = area of a ribbon obtained by revolving  $\Psi_o$  and  $\Psi$ 

between  $\Psi$  and  $\Psi + d\Psi$ 

Poloidal magnetic flux  $2\pi \Psi$ :

(11) 
$$\Rightarrow 2\pi \Psi \equiv \int_{S_{p}} \mathbf{B}_{p} \cdot d\mathbf{S}_{p}$$
 Stoke's theorem
$$= \int_{S_{p}} \nabla \times (A_{p} \widehat{\Phi}) \cdot d\mathbf{S}_{p} = \oint A_{\Phi} \widehat{\Phi} \cdot d\mathbf{l}$$

$$= 2\pi \left( RA_{\Phi} - R_{o}A_{\Phi_{o}} \right)$$
 (12)

Differential poloidal magnetic flux  $2\pi d\psi$ :

$$2\pi \, d\Psi = 2\pi (\Psi + d\Psi) - 2\pi \Psi$$

$$= \int_{S_{p} + \delta S_{p}} B_{p} \cdot dS_{p} - \int_{S_{p}} B_{p} \cdot dS_{p}$$

$$= \int_{\delta S_{p}} B_{p} \cdot dS_{p} \approx B_{p} 2\pi R \, dr \qquad (13)$$

$$\Rightarrow RB_{p} = \frac{d\Psi}{dr} = |\nabla\Psi| \qquad (14)$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \boldsymbol{B}_{\boldsymbol{p}} = -\frac{1}{R} \ \widehat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}} \times \nabla \boldsymbol{\Psi} \tag{15}$$

### c. Poloidal current function $F(\Psi)$

$$\nabla \times \boldsymbol{B}_{\phi} = \mu_{o} \boldsymbol{j}_{\boldsymbol{b}} \qquad (\boldsymbol{B}_{\phi} + d\boldsymbol{B}_{\phi}) 2\pi R - \boldsymbol{B}_{\phi} 2\pi R$$

$$\int_{\delta s_{s}} \nabla \times \boldsymbol{B}_{\phi} \cdot d\boldsymbol{S}_{\boldsymbol{p}} = \oint \boldsymbol{B}_{\phi} \cdot d\boldsymbol{I} = 2\pi \ d(R\boldsymbol{B}_{\phi}) = 2\pi \ d\psi \frac{\partial (R\boldsymbol{B}_{\phi})}{\partial \psi}$$

$$\int_{\delta s_{s}} \mu_{o} \boldsymbol{j}_{\phi} \cdot d\boldsymbol{S}_{\boldsymbol{p}} = \mu_{o} \boldsymbol{j}_{\boldsymbol{p}} 2\pi R dr$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial (R\boldsymbol{B}_{\phi})}{\partial \psi} = \frac{\mu_{o} \boldsymbol{j}_{\boldsymbol{p}} R}{(d\psi/dr)}$$

$$\Rightarrow R\boldsymbol{j}_{\boldsymbol{p}} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \psi} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \psi} |\nabla \psi| = \frac{\partial F}{\partial r} = |\nabla F(\psi)| \qquad (16)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boldsymbol{j}_{\boldsymbol{p}} = -\frac{1}{R} \widehat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}} \times \nabla F \qquad (17)$$

$$\text{where} \qquad \nabla \times \boldsymbol{B}_{\phi} = \mu_{o} \boldsymbol{j}_{\boldsymbol{p}} \Rightarrow 2\pi R \boldsymbol{B}_{\phi} = \mu_{o} \boldsymbol{I}_{\boldsymbol{p}}$$

$$F(\psi) \equiv \frac{R\boldsymbol{B}_{\phi}}{\mu_{o}} = \frac{\boldsymbol{I}_{\boldsymbol{p}}(\psi)}{2\pi} \qquad (18) \qquad total poloidal current$$

*Note)* Symmetry of **B** and **j** in  $(5)(7)(8) \Rightarrow (14)(15) \leftrightarrow (16)(17)$ 

### d. Magnetic fields and Pressure

In cylindrical coordinates for toroidally axisymmetric fields ( $\partial/\partial \Phi = 0$ ),

$$(7)(10): \qquad \left(\frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial}{\partial R} (RB_R) + \frac{\partial B_z}{\partial z} = 0\right)$$

$$B_R \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial R} + B_z \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c} B_R = -\frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z} \\ B_z = \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial R} \end{array}\right)$$

$$(19)$$

(19) in (9):

$$-\frac{1}{R}\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z}\frac{\partial p}{\partial R} + \frac{1}{R}\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial R}\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow p = p(\Psi)$$

$$since -\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z}\frac{\partial p(\Psi)}{\partial \Psi}\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial R} + \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial R}\frac{\partial p(\Psi)}{\partial \Psi}\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z} = 0$$
(20)

### e. Current density

(6): 
$$\mathbf{j} = \frac{1}{\mu_{o}} \nabla \times \mathbf{B}$$

$$\mathbf{j}_{\phi} = \frac{1}{\mu_{o}} \left( \frac{\partial B_{R}}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial B_{z}}{\partial R} \right) = \checkmark^{(19)} - \frac{1}{\mu_{o}} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial R} \left( \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial R} \right) + \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial^{2} \psi}{\partial z^{2}} \right] \equiv -\frac{1}{\mu_{o} R} \Delta^{*} \psi$$

$$\mathbf{j}_{z} = \frac{1}{\mu_{o}} \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial}{\partial R} (RB_{\phi}) = \checkmark^{(18)} \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial F(\psi)}{\partial R}$$

$$(22)$$

### f. Grad(-Schlueter)-Shafranov equation

= force balance equation in terms of flux function

(5): 
$$\nabla p = j \times B$$

$$\nabla p = (j_{\phi} + j_{p}) \times (B_{\phi} + B_{p})$$

$$= (j_{\phi} - \frac{1}{R} \widehat{\Phi} \times \nabla F) \times (B_{\phi} - \frac{1}{R} \widehat{\Phi} \times \nabla \Psi)$$

$$= -j_{\phi} \times (\frac{1}{R} \widehat{\Phi} \times \nabla \Psi) - (\frac{1}{R} \widehat{\Phi} \times \nabla F) \times B_{\phi}$$

$$A \times (B \times C) = (C \times B) \times A = (A \cdot C)B - (A \cdot B)C$$

$$= \frac{j_{\phi}}{R} \nabla \Psi - \frac{B_{\phi}}{R} \nabla F$$

$$\nabla p(\Psi) = \frac{j_{\phi}}{R} \nabla \Psi - \frac{B_{\phi}}{R} \nabla F(\Psi)$$

$$\frac{\partial p(\Psi)}{\partial \Psi} \nabla \Psi = -\frac{\Delta^{*} \Psi}{\mu_{o} R^{2}} \nabla \Psi - \frac{\mu_{o} F}{R^{2}} \nabla F$$

$$(23)$$

$$\Rightarrow \triangle^* \Psi = - \mu_o R^2 \frac{dp}{d\Psi} - \mu_o^2 F \frac{dF}{d\Psi} \qquad \text{(nonlinear elliptic PDE)} \qquad (24)$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \qquad \downarrow \qquad$$

where 
$$\triangle^* \Psi \equiv \left[ R \frac{\partial}{\partial R} \left( \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial}{\partial R} \right) + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right] \Psi = \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial R^2} - \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial}{\partial R} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right) \Psi$$

or from (23) & (21)

$$\mu_o j_{\phi} = \mu_o R \frac{dp}{d\psi} + \frac{\mu_o^2}{R} F \frac{dF}{d\psi} = -\frac{1}{R} \Delta^* \psi$$
 (24)\*

Notes)

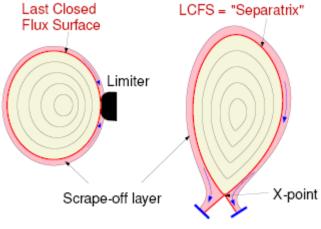
i)  $p(\Psi)$ : plasma load on a magnetic flux surface  $F(\Psi)F'(\Psi) = \frac{1}{2}(F^2(\Psi))'$ : strength of  $B_{\Phi}$   $\Rightarrow$  G-S Eq.(24) = Nonlinear elliptic PDE for  $\Psi$  describing how much plasma can be supported by B.

ii) Ideally, LHS of G–S Eq. = 0  $\Rightarrow R^2p' = \mu_o FF' = \frac{\mu_o}{2}(F^2)' = \frac{R^2}{2\mu_o}(B_{\phi}^2)'$   $\Rightarrow p = \frac{B_{\phi}^2}{2\mu_o} \Rightarrow \beta \equiv \frac{p}{B_{\phi}^2/2\mu_o} = 1 : \text{not realizable}$ 

In reality,  $B_p(a)$  supports  $\frac{a}{R_a}$  of  $\langle p \rangle$ 

$$\Rightarrow \quad \beta_p \equiv \frac{\langle p \rangle}{B_p^2(a)/2\mu_o} \leq \frac{R_o}{a} \equiv A : \text{aspect ratio}$$
 (25)

iii) If  $B_p^{\uparrow}$  for balancing p, then  $q^{\downarrow}=\frac{r}{R}\frac{B_{\downarrow}}{B_p^{\uparrow}}$   $\rightarrow$  kink instability For reasons of stability, plasma confinement by large  $B_{\downarrow}$  for  $q^{\uparrow}$ .



Divertor target plates

Typical flux configurations of limiter and divertor tokamaks

(W. Suttrop, MP-IPP Summer Univ. (2005), Fig. 7.5)

Paramag. Diamag.

### 2) Pressure balance

Averaging G–S Eq. over a flux surface  $\Psi$  , i.e.,  $\langle (24) \rangle_{\Psi} \equiv \frac{\oint_{\Psi} (24) dl_{p}/B_{p}}{\oint dl_{p}/B_{p}}$ :

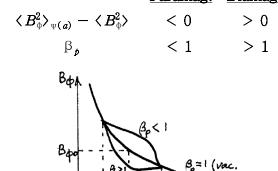
$$\langle p \rangle = p(\psi_a) + \frac{1}{2\mu_a} \left[ \langle B_p^2 \rangle_{\psi(a)} + \langle B_{\phi}^2 \rangle_{\psi(a)} - \langle B_{\phi}^2 \rangle \right]$$
 (26)

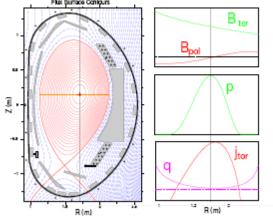
where <p> and <B $^2_{\scriptscriptstyle \oplus}$ > are volume-average values (  $\left(\int_{\scriptscriptstyle \psi(0)}^{\scriptscriptstyle \psi(a)} (\ )d^3r \middle/\int_{\scriptscriptstyle \psi(0)}^{\scriptscriptstyle \psi(a)} d^3r \middle/\int_{\scriptscriptstyle \psi(0)}^{\scriptscriptstyle \psi(0)} d^3r \middle/\int_{$ 

## Poloidal beta $\beta_p$ :

$$(26) / \langle B_p^2 \rangle_{\psi(a)} / 2\mu_o \implies$$

$$\beta_{p} \equiv \frac{\langle p \rangle}{\langle B_{p}^{2} \rangle_{\psi(a)} / 2\mu_{o}} \approx 1 + \frac{\langle B_{\phi}^{2} \rangle_{\psi(a)} - \langle B_{\phi}^{2} \rangle}{\langle B_{p}^{2} \rangle_{\psi(a)}}$$
(27)





Toroidal beta : 
$$\beta_t \equiv \frac{\langle p \rangle}{B_{\phi}^2/2\mu_a} = \beta_p \frac{B_p^2}{B_{\phi}^2}$$
 (28)

Total beta: 
$$\beta \equiv \frac{\langle p \rangle}{B^2/2\mu_o} = \beta_p \frac{B_p^2}{B_p^2 + B_\phi^2} = \frac{\beta_p}{1 + B_\phi^2/B_p^2}$$
(29)

### Equilibrium characteristics

① Low pressure(low  $\beta$ ) ② Medium pressure(typical) ③ High pressure(high  $\beta$ )

 $\beta_p < 1$ 

 $\beta_p \approx 1$ 

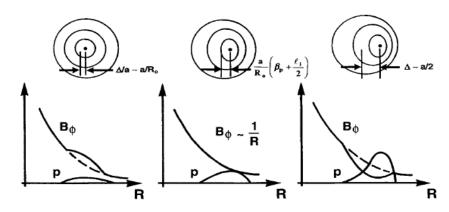
 $\beta_p > 1$ 

Paramagnetic  $B_{\scriptscriptstyle \varphi}^{\,\uparrow}$ 

Almost vacuum field  $B_{\scriptscriptstyle \varphi}$ 

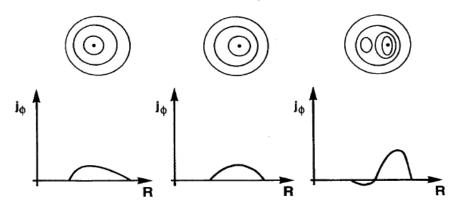
Diamagnetic  $B_{\scriptscriptstyle \Phi}^{\downarrow}$ 

### Surfaces on which p = constant



Harms, p. 170

### Surfaces on which $j_{\phi}$ = constant



## 3) Low- $\beta$ tokamak confinement

 $F(\psi) \propto RB_{\phi} = const = 0$ ,  $B_{\phi} = B_{\phi o}R_o/R$  (vac. field) case :  $\beta_p \equiv \frac{\langle p \rangle}{B_p^2/2\mu_o} = 1$ 

 $\Rightarrow$   $\langle p \rangle$  is supported by  $B_p$  only, i.e.,  $j_{\phi} \times B_p$  pinching force of self-mag. field induced by plasma current.

If  $B_{\scriptscriptstyle \ominus}$  is intended to increase for balancing high p, then, reduced  $q(r)\downarrow \equiv (r/R_0)~(B_{\scriptscriptstyle \ominus} _o/B_{\scriptscriptstyle \ominus} \uparrow)$  result in ideal kink instab. Limited  $I_{\scriptscriptstyle \ominus}$  value or large  $B_{\scriptscriptstyle \ominus}$  are needed to maintain a limited q value

for stable confinement.

Stability condition for ideal kink modes:

$$q(a) = \frac{a}{R_o} \frac{B_{\phi}}{B_p(a)} > q_{\min} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for m = 1 mode (K-S limit)} \\ m/n \approx 2.5 & \text{for higher modes m = 2, 3, .....} \end{cases}$$
 (30)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{B_{p}}{B_{\phi}} < \frac{a/R_{o}}{q_{\min}} \equiv \frac{\varepsilon}{q_{\min}} \approx O(\varepsilon^{2})$$
 (31)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\mu_o I_{\phi}/2\pi a}{B_{\phi}} < \frac{a/R_o}{q_{\min}} \Rightarrow I_{\phi} < \frac{2\pi}{\mu_o} \frac{a^2}{R_o q_{\min}} B_{\phi} : \textit{plasma current limit} \quad (32)$$

For low pressure plasmas ( $\beta_p < 1$ ),  $q_{\min} \approx 2.5$ 

$$(28): \beta_{t} = \beta_{p} \frac{B_{p}^{2}}{B_{\phi}^{2}} < \beta_{p} \frac{\varepsilon^{2}}{q_{\min}^{2}} < \frac{\varepsilon^{2}}{q_{\min}^{2}} \approx \frac{\varepsilon^{2}}{6.25}$$

$$(33)$$

(29): 
$$\beta = \frac{\beta_{p}}{1 + B_{\phi}^{2}/B_{p}^{2}} < \frac{\beta_{p}}{1 + q_{\min}^{2}/\epsilon^{2}} < \frac{\epsilon^{2}}{q_{\min}^{2} + \epsilon^{2}} \approx \frac{\epsilon^{2}}{6.25 + \epsilon^{2}} \ll 1$$
 (34)

## 2) High- $\beta$ tokamak confinement

Ideal confinement by toroidal field

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $p = \frac{B_{\phi}^2}{2\mu_a}$   $\Rightarrow$   $\beta_t = 1$ : not realizable and unstable

For suppressing ballooning modes,  $B_p$  supports more than a fraction  $a/R_0$  of p:

$$\beta_p \equiv \frac{\langle p \rangle}{B_p^2(a)/2\mu_o} \le \frac{R_o}{a} \equiv \frac{1}{\epsilon} = A > 1$$
 (34)

(29) : 
$$\beta = \frac{\beta_{p}}{1 + B_{\phi}^{2}/B_{p}^{2}} < \frac{\beta_{p}}{1 + q_{\min}^{2}/\epsilon^{2}} < \frac{\epsilon}{q_{\min}^{2} + \epsilon^{2}} \approx \frac{\epsilon}{6.25 + \epsilon^{2}} < 1 (35)$$

(e.g.) For R<sub>0</sub>/a = 3,  $\epsilon = 1/3$ ,  $q_{\min} = 2.5 \Rightarrow \beta < 5\%$ 

4,  $1/4$ ,  $2.5 \Rightarrow \beta < 4\%$ 

High  $\beta$  for high output power & low cost  $\Leftrightarrow$  Low  $\beta$  for stable operation Non-circular plasma cross sections:

