

Orbital dynamics in magnetovortical matter

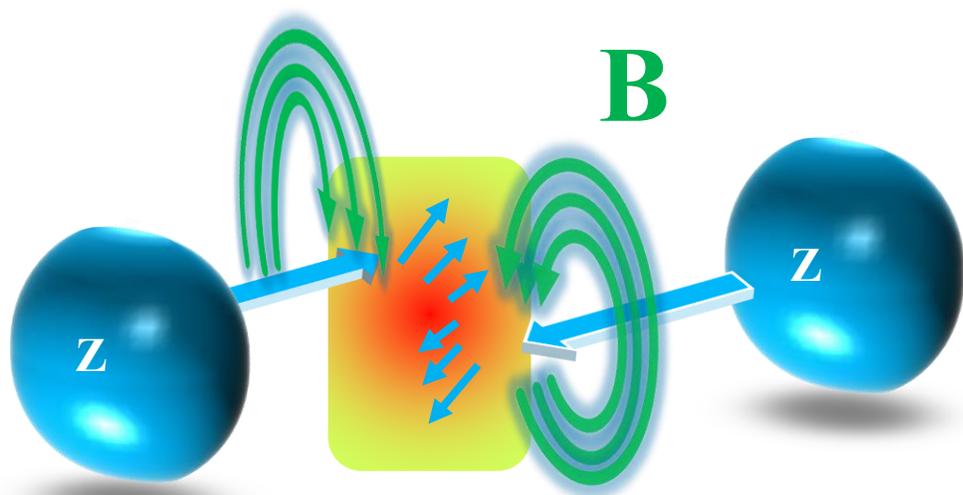
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“Preponderant Orbital Polarization in Relativistic Magnetovortical Matter”

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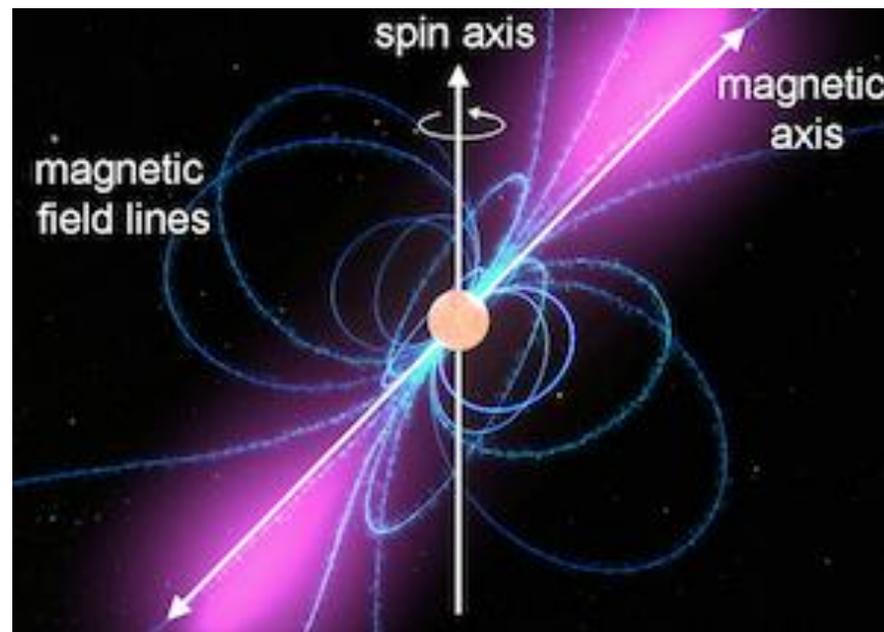


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Magneto-vortical matter



$$\omega = \nabla \times \mathbf{v}$$



Anomalous quantum transport phenomena

Dirac equation in the chiral representation

→ Chirality-spin-momentum locked in the massless limit

$$\{\text{Chirality, Spin, Momentum}\} \quad \begin{pmatrix} -m & p_\mu \sigma^\mu \\ p_\mu \bar{\sigma}^\mu & -m \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_L \\ \psi_R \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

Spin polarization in B or ω

Chirality-momentum locking

→ Finite currents when one of chirality is favored.



$$\mathbf{j}_{\text{CME}} \propto \mu_A \mathbf{B}$$

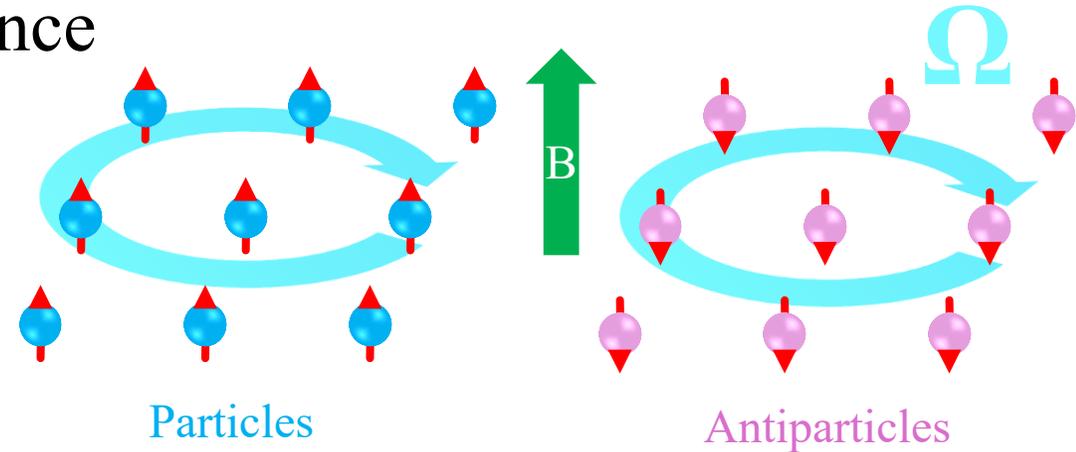
$$\mathbf{j}_{\text{CVE}} \propto \mu \mu_A \boldsymbol{\omega}$$

$$\mu_A = (\mu_R - \mu_L)/2, \quad \mu = (\mu_R + \mu_L)/2$$

Anomalous transport in magneto-vortical matter w/o chirality imbalance

$$n_V = \frac{C_A}{2} \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega}$$

KH, Yin, PRL [1607.01513 [hep-th]]

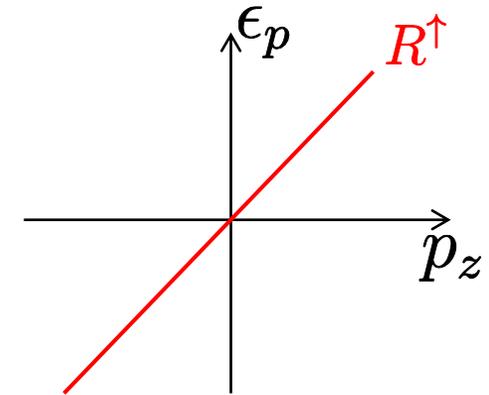


Charge-dependent energy shift: $\Delta E = \mathbf{S} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega} = \left(\pm \frac{1}{2} \hat{\mathbf{B}} \right) \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega}$

→ Effective chemical potential

$$f_R^\pm = \frac{1}{e^{\pm\beta(p_z - \mathbf{S} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega} - \mu)} + 1}$$

$$n_R = \frac{|q_f B|}{2\pi} \left[\int_0^\infty \frac{dp_z}{2\pi} f_R^+(p_z) + \int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{dp_z}{2\pi} f_R^-(p_z) \right] = \frac{C_A}{4} \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega}$$



The integral is independent of T and μ .

Kubo-formula calculation is tied to the **chiral anomaly** in the Schwinger model KH, Yin

- Effective theory as the Chern-Simons current
Yamamoto and Yang, 2103.13208

- Chiral kinetic theory
Yang, et al., 2003.04517; Lin, Yang, 2103.11577;
Mameda, 2305.02134; Yang, et al., 2409.00456

Another approach with explicit solution for the Dirac eq.

Ebihara, Fukushima, Mameda, PLB [[1608.00336 \[hep-ph\]](#)]

1. Solving the Dirac equation under B and global rotation Ω (in a cylinder)
by the use of the symmetric gauge.
2. Computing the charge density with the explicit solution.

$$F = -\frac{1}{\pi R^2} \sum_{q=\pm} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dp_z}{2\pi} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n \sum_{\ell=-n}^{N-n} \left\{ \frac{\varepsilon + q\Omega j + q\mu}{2} + T \ln[1 + e^{-(\varepsilon + q\Omega j + q\mu)/T}] \right\},$$

where $\alpha_n = 2 - \delta_{n,0}$, $j = \ell + 1/2$, $N = eBR^2/2$, and $\varepsilon = \sqrt{p_z^2 + 2neB}$.

$$n_{\text{total}} = \frac{\Omega}{\pi^2 R^2} \sum_{\ell=0}^N (\ell + 1/2) = \frac{eB\Omega}{4\pi^2} (N + 1). \quad \ell: \text{“Canonical” angular momentum}$$



There is an orbital angular momentum contribution in addition to spin!



However, this orbital angular momentum is a gauge-dependent quantity!

Private communication among us.

Analytic and quantum mechanics in B

KH, Itakura, Ozaki,
Review article in PPNP [[2305.03865](#) [hep-ph]]

$$\hat{H} = \frac{\hat{\boldsymbol{\pi}}_{\perp} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\pi}}_{\perp}}{2m} + \frac{\hat{p}_z^2}{2m}$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\pi}}_{\perp} = \hat{\mathbf{p}}_{\perp} - e\mathbf{A}_{\perp}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{\perp})$$

\mathbf{A}_{\perp} is for a constant B_z .

Canonical momentum (\mathbf{p}) $\mathbf{p} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\mathbf{x}}} \longrightarrow [\hat{x}^i, \hat{p}^j] = i\hbar\delta^{ij}$

$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x})$ breaks translation generated by \mathbf{p} .
(Whether or not \mathbf{p} is conserved depends on gauge.)

Kinetic momentum ($\boldsymbol{\pi}$) $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = (i\hbar)^{-1}[\mathbf{x}, H] = \frac{\boldsymbol{\pi}}{m}$

Heisenberg eq.

Pseudo-momentum (\mathbf{k}) $0 = \frac{d}{dt}(m\dot{\mathbf{x}} - e\mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{B}) =: \frac{d\mathbf{k}}{dt}$

\mathbf{k} is a generator of translation in a constant B.
(Called magnetic translation, Conserved in any gauge)

Orbital AM in B

KH, Itakura, Ozaki,
Review article in PPNP [[2305.03865](https://arxiv.org/abs/2305.03865) [hep-ph]]

To define orbital angular momentum (AM), we need to specify

1. one of the three linear momenta (canonical, kinetic, pseudo)
2. a reference coordinate point

Relevant AM in this talk:

Kinetic AM around the guiding center (\mathbf{x}_c)

$$\mathbf{\Lambda} := (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_c) \times \boldsymbol{\pi}$$

Nonzero expectation value in the Landau level (n)

$$\langle n | \hat{\Lambda}_z | n \rangle = -\text{sgn}(eB) \hbar (2n + 1)$$

	Kinetic momentum	Canonical momentum	Pseudo-momentum	Kinetic AM	Canonical AM	Pseudo-AM
	$\hat{\boldsymbol{\pi}}$	$\hat{\mathbf{p}}$	$\hat{\mathbf{k}}$	$(\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}_c) \times \hat{\boldsymbol{\pi}}$	$\hat{\mathbf{x}} \times \hat{\mathbf{p}}$	$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_c \times \hat{\mathbf{k}}$
Gauge invariance	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓
Conservation	✗	Up to gauges	✓	✓	Up to gauges	✓

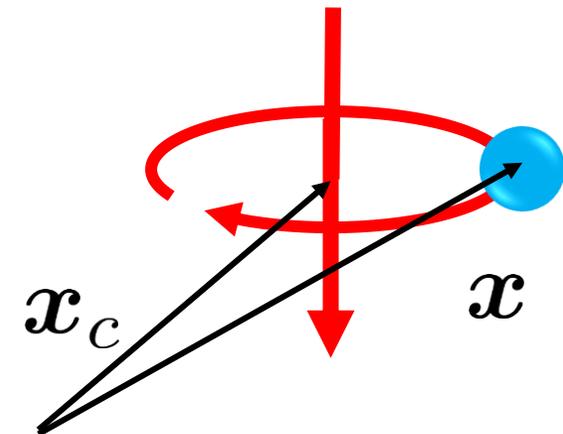


Fig. 2. Properties of the three linear momenta and the associated angular momenta (AM).

Starting over from the very beginning to resolve the puzzle

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1. Thermodynamic stability: Thermodynamic partition function should be constructed for static thermal states. → [Corrigendum to Ebihara, Fukushima, Mameda \(2016\)](#)
2. Identifying the static state automatically leads to a gauge-invariant formulation with the kinetic orbital AM.
3. As a consequence, the orbital contribution overwhelms the spin contribution found earlier. → [Corrigendum to KH and Yin \(2016\)](#)

$$n_V = C_A \left(\frac{1}{2} - 1 \right) \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega} = -\frac{C_A}{2} \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega}$$

Spin - **Orbital**

Thermodynamic stability in B and Ω

Condition: No electric current in static states.

However, when a system starts rotating in B, there is a radial Hall current.

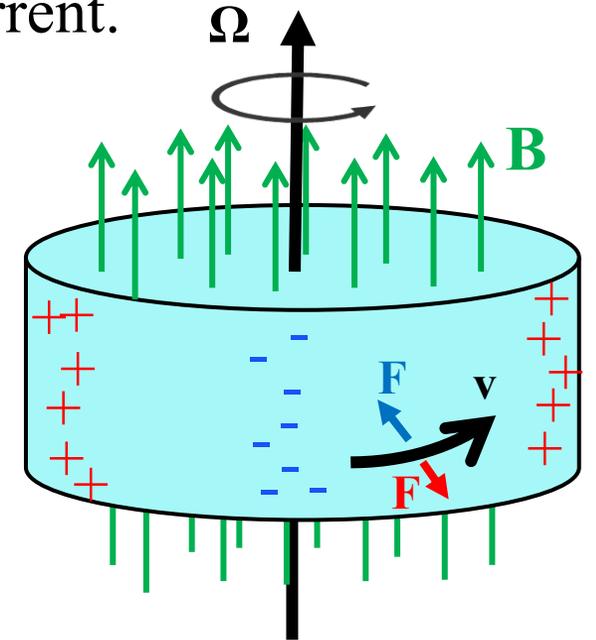
“Rotational Hall effect” (Unipolar induction)

$$v_\theta = r\Omega$$

Cf. Goldreich-Julian, ApJ (1969)

$$F_{\text{Lorentz}}(r) = \pm |e| v_\theta B$$

The Lorentz force driven by rotation depends on electric charges.



Charge separation occurs in a steady state so that an induced E offsets the Lorentz force (and thus the Hall current) in the lab frame; **I.e., there is E in the lab frame.**

\Leftrightarrow No E in the comoving frame.

$$0 = \gamma^{-1} \mathbf{E}_{\text{com}} = \mathbf{E}_{\text{lab}} + (\mathbf{x} \times \boldsymbol{\Omega}) \times \mathbf{B}_{\text{lab}}$$

Gauge-invariant partition function for the static thermal state

$$Z = \det \left[\gamma^0 \partial_\tau - i\gamma^i D_i + M - \gamma^0 \Omega \left(\underline{L_{\text{kin}}} + \frac{i}{2} \gamma^1 \gamma^2 \right) \right]$$

This work: No E in the comoving frame

Kinetic orbital AM Spin

$$A_{\text{com}}^\mu = \left(0, -\frac{B}{2}y, \frac{B}{2}x, 0 \right)$$

Previous works by Chen, Fukushima, Huang, Mameda;
Ebihara, Fukushima, Mameda:

E \neq 0 in the comoving frame \Leftrightarrow E = 0 in the lab frame

$$L_{\text{kin}} = x\Pi_y - y\Pi_x = \Lambda + \Delta$$

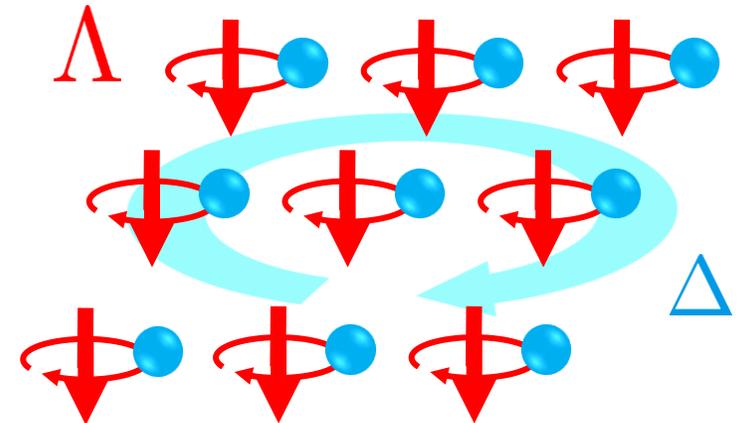
$$A_{\text{com}}^\mu = \left(-\frac{B}{2}\Omega r^2, -\frac{B}{2}y, \frac{B}{2}x, 0 \right)$$

Local AM around a guiding center of each cyclotron orbit.

$$\Lambda = (x - x_c)\Pi_y - (y - y_c)\Pi_x$$

Global AM of the guiding center around the rotation axis.

$$\Delta = x_c\Pi_y - y_c\Pi_x$$



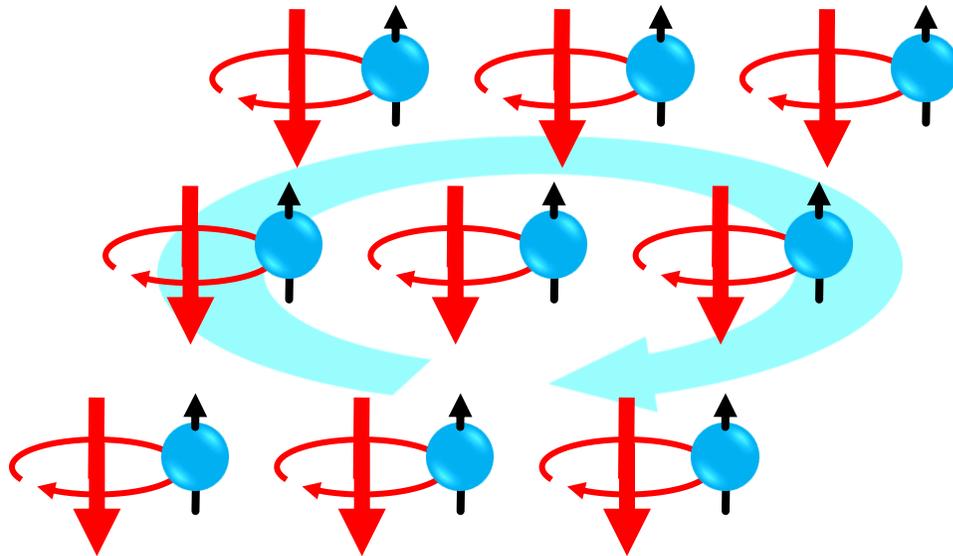
Sign inversion by **the orbital contribution** in the strong-field regime

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$$n_V = C_A \left(\frac{1}{2} - 1 \right) \boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \mathbf{B} = -\frac{C_A}{2} \boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \mathbf{B}$$

Spin - **Orbital**

Each cyclotron orbit has a kinetic angular momentum that is additive to spin but with an opposite sign (Lenz's law, Landau diamagnetism).



$$\langle n | \Lambda_{\text{kin}} | n \rangle = -\text{sgn}(eB)(2n + 1)$$

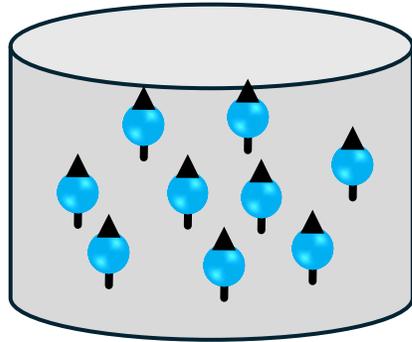
Cf. KH, Itakura, Ozaki, [2305.03865](#)

Anti-Einstein-de Haas effect

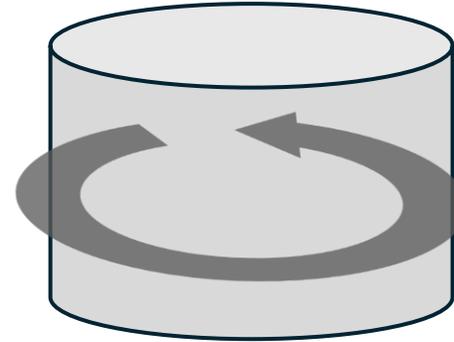
--- Storage of negative angular momentum

$$J := \left. \frac{\partial P}{\partial \Omega} \right|_{\Omega=0} = \mu \frac{eB}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{1}{2} - 1 \right)$$

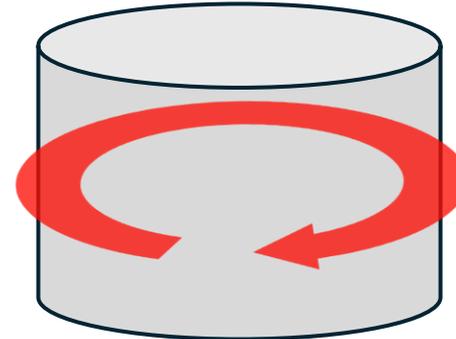
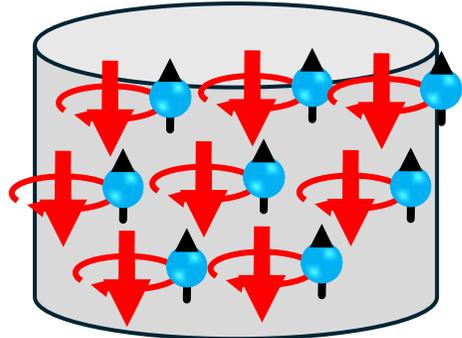
Einstein-de Haas effect



Rigid-body rotation



Anti-Einstein-de Haas effect



Summary

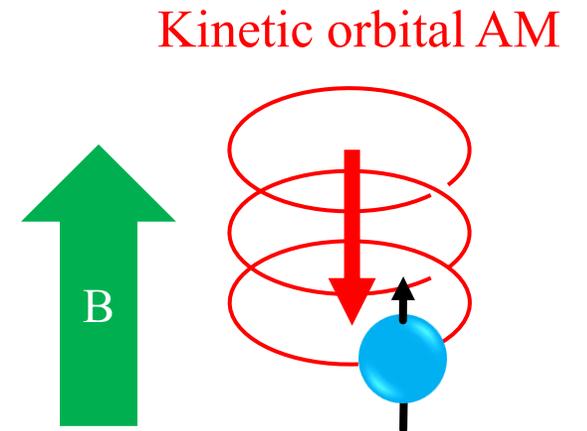
- We examined thermodynamic stability and a gauge-invariant formulation.
- Magnetic field \mathbf{B} induces orbital AM (associated with cyclotron orbits) as well as spin polarization.
- Their coupling to rotation $\mathbf{\Omega}$ induces spectral shift.

$$\text{Charge-dependent energy shift: } \Delta E = \mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{\Omega} = \pm \left(\frac{1}{2} - 1 \right) \hat{\mathbf{B}} \cdot \mathbf{\Omega}$$

(Spin) – (Kinetic orbital AM)

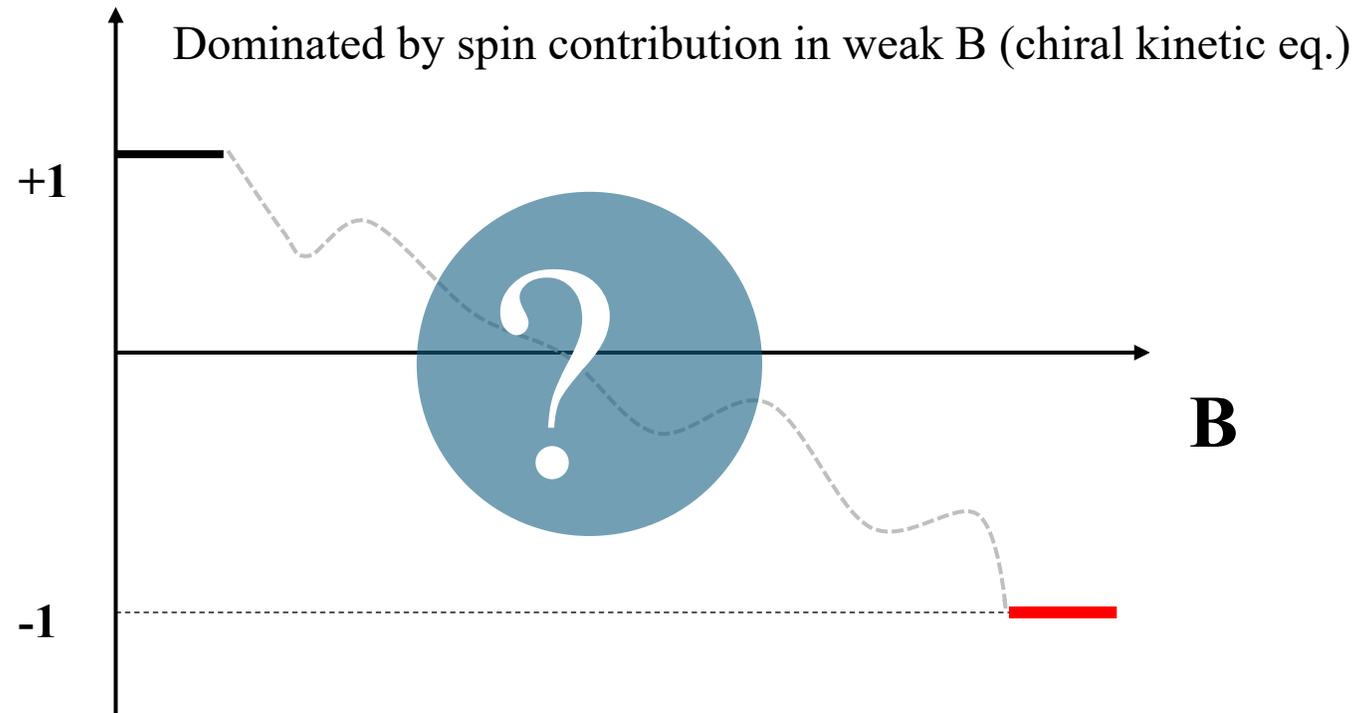
- The new orbital contribution inverts the overall sign.

$$n_V = C_A \left(\frac{1}{2} - 1 \right) \boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \mathbf{B} = -\frac{C_A}{2} \boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \mathbf{B}$$



Work in progress: Transition from the strong to weak fields

$$\frac{n_V}{[C_A \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega}/2]}$$



Dominated by orbital AM (and spin)
in the lowest Landau level (This work)

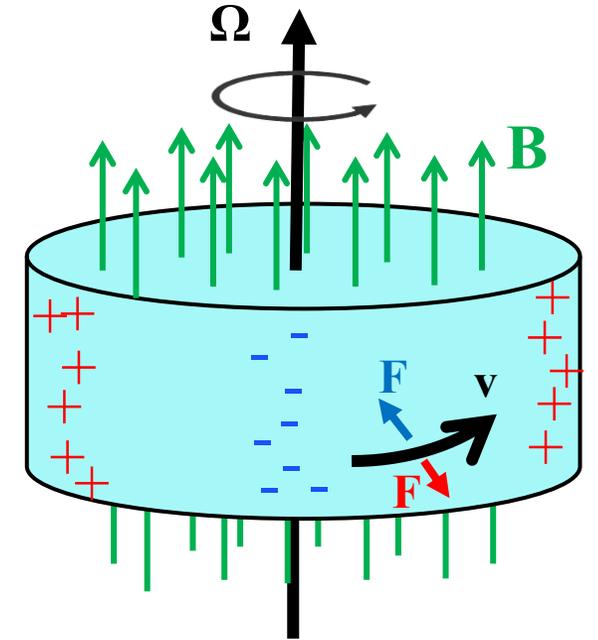
Azimuthal current

When the charge density $n_V = \kappa \mathbf{B}_{\text{lab}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega}$ is rotating with $v_\theta = r\Omega$,

$$\begin{aligned} j_\theta &= n_V v_\theta = \kappa (\mathbf{B}_{\text{lab}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega}) (\mathbf{x} \times \boldsymbol{\Omega})_\theta \\ &= \kappa (\mathbf{E}_{\text{lab}} \times \boldsymbol{\Omega})_\theta \end{aligned}$$

Steady-state condition

$$0 = \gamma^{-1} \mathbf{E}_{\text{com}} = \mathbf{E}_{\text{lab}} + (\mathbf{x} \times \boldsymbol{\Omega}) \times \mathbf{B}_{\text{lab}}$$



When $\kappa = \frac{C_A}{2}$ for the spin contribution, agrees with Yamamoto and Yang, 2103.13208.

Including the orbital contribution, $\kappa = -\frac{C_A}{2}$, and the azimuthal current is reversed due to the opposite charge density.

$$\mathbf{E}_{\text{lab}} \times \boldsymbol{\Omega} = -\{(\mathbf{x} \times \boldsymbol{\Omega}) \times \mathbf{B}_{\text{lab}}\} \times \boldsymbol{\Omega}$$

$$(\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) \times \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} \times (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}) + \mathbf{B} \times (\mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{A})$$

$$= -(\mathbf{x} \times \boldsymbol{\Omega}) \times (\mathbf{B}_{\text{lab}} \times \boldsymbol{\Omega}) - \mathbf{B}_{\text{lab}} \times \{\boldsymbol{\Omega} \times (\mathbf{x} \times \boldsymbol{\Omega})\}$$

$$\mathbf{A} \times (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}) = (\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{C})\mathbf{B} - (\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B})\mathbf{C}$$

$$= -(\mathbf{x} \times \boldsymbol{\Omega}) \times (\mathbf{B}_{\text{lab}} \times \boldsymbol{\Omega}) - \{ \mathbf{B}_{\text{lab}} \cdot (\mathbf{x} \times \boldsymbol{\Omega}) \} \boldsymbol{\Omega} + \underline{\mathbf{B}_{\text{lab}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega} (\mathbf{x} \times \boldsymbol{\Omega})}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_{\text{lab}} // \boldsymbol{\Omega}$$