

# **Small-scale B-field & Reconnection Application in TeV Astrophysics**

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# Celestial Targets of LHAASO

- Supernova (SN) & Supernova Remnant:  
non-relativistic mostly  
massive stellar collapse at final evolution stage  
radio, optical & X-ray, GeV, particle
- Gamma-ray burst (GRB):  $10^{51-54}$  erg  
relativistic jet (bulk Lorentz factor  $> 100$ )  
massive stellar collapse/BH merger, strongest energy  
radio, optical, X-ray, & gamma-ray (GeV), particle,
- BLAZAR:  $10^{46}$  erg/s  
relativistic jet of active galactic nuclear (AGN)  
bulk Lorentz factor  $> 10$ , central massive BH  
radio, optical, X-ray, GeV & TeV, particle
- Gravitational wave (GW), neutrino

# Physical Scenario

- Huge energy release: energy dissipation
- Radiation mechanisms
- Electrons/ions are relativistic: acceleration
- B-field structure & generation
- Magnetized outflow of BLAZAR & GRB

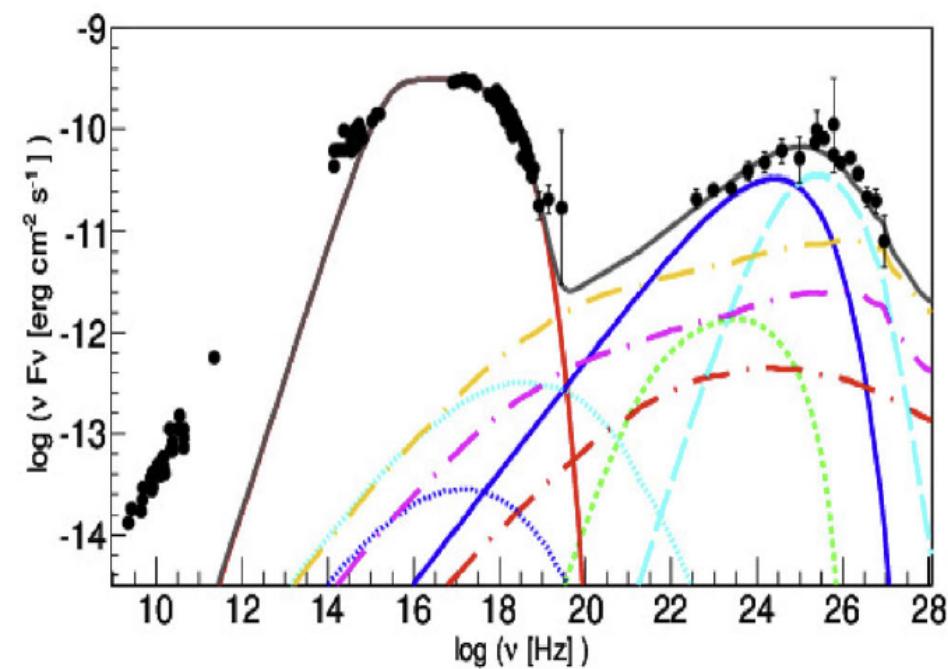
# Observations

- Multi-wavelength observation radiation: BURST  
radio, optical, X-ray, GeV, TeV, ...  
telescope/detector position & accuracy  
optical: arcsecond in field-of-view of arcmin-deg  
high-energy: deg in field-of-view of deg
- Cosmic-ray: source of high-energy particle?
- LINK: radiation + particle
  - (1) radiation: particle energy loss
  - (2) celestial burst: high energy radiation & particle simultaneous production

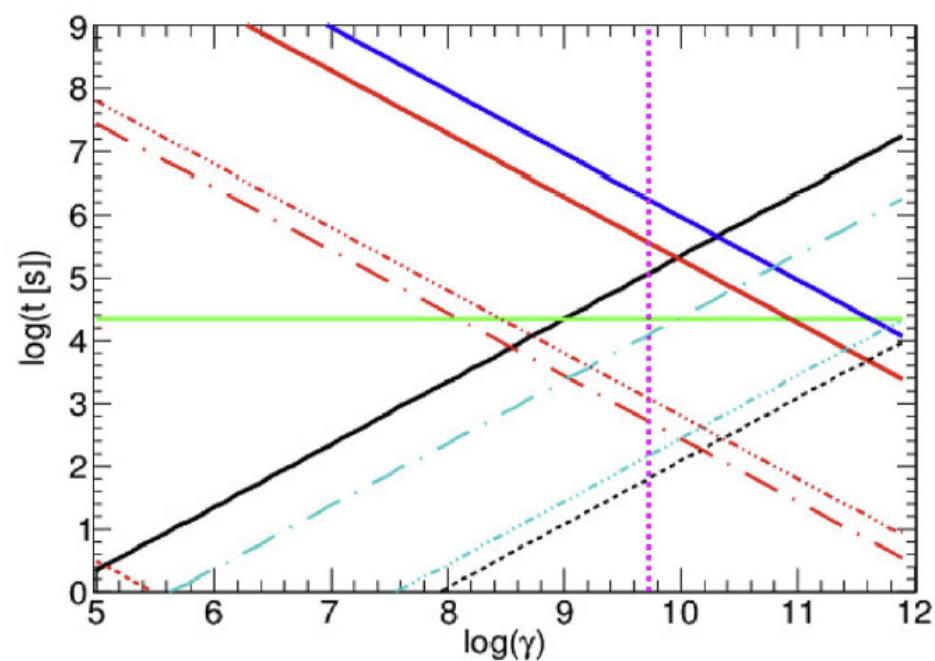
# Physics Unsolved

- Huge energy release: energy dissipation
  - (1) dynamic or magnetic energy release ?
- Radiation mechanisms
  - synchrotron, Compton scattering(EC, SSC)
  - (2) lepton, hadronic or others ? B-field
- Electrons/ions acceleration
  - (3) shock, turbulence or others? B-field
- Magnetized outflow of BLAZAR & GRB

# BLAZAR Mrk 421: hadronic

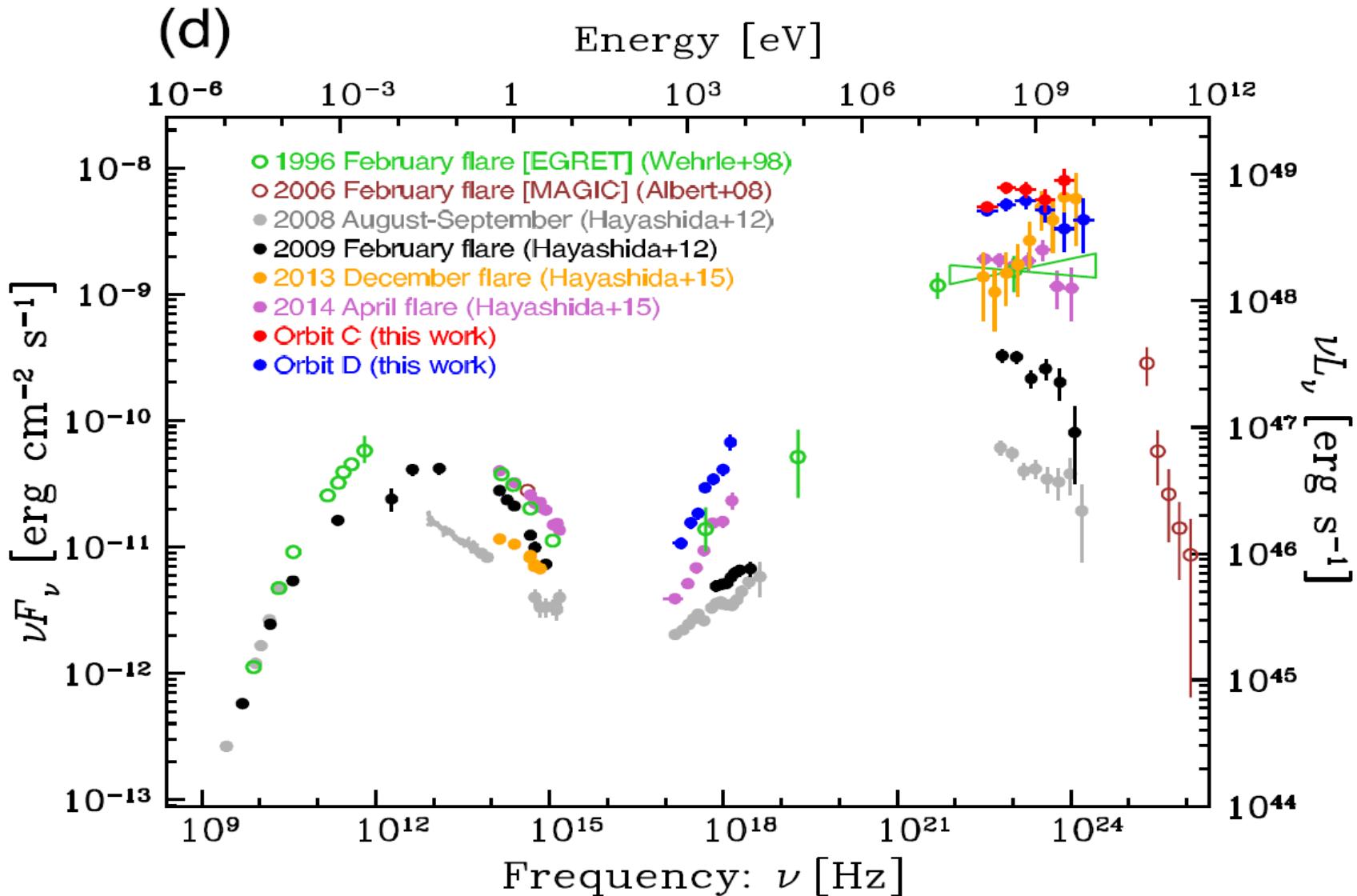


— e synchrotron	.... SSC
— p synchrotron	.... p-synchrotron cascade
— $\mu$ synchrotron	.... $\mu$ -synchrotron cascade
— $\pi^+$ cascade	
— $\pi^0$ cascade	
— Bethe-Heitler cascade	
— total	



— p acceleration	— p adiabatic loss
— p synchrotron loss	— p photo-meson loss
— p gyroradius	— e acceleration
— e synchrotron loss	— $\mu$ synchrotron loss
— $\mu$ decay	— $\pi$ synchrotron loss
— $\pi$ decay	

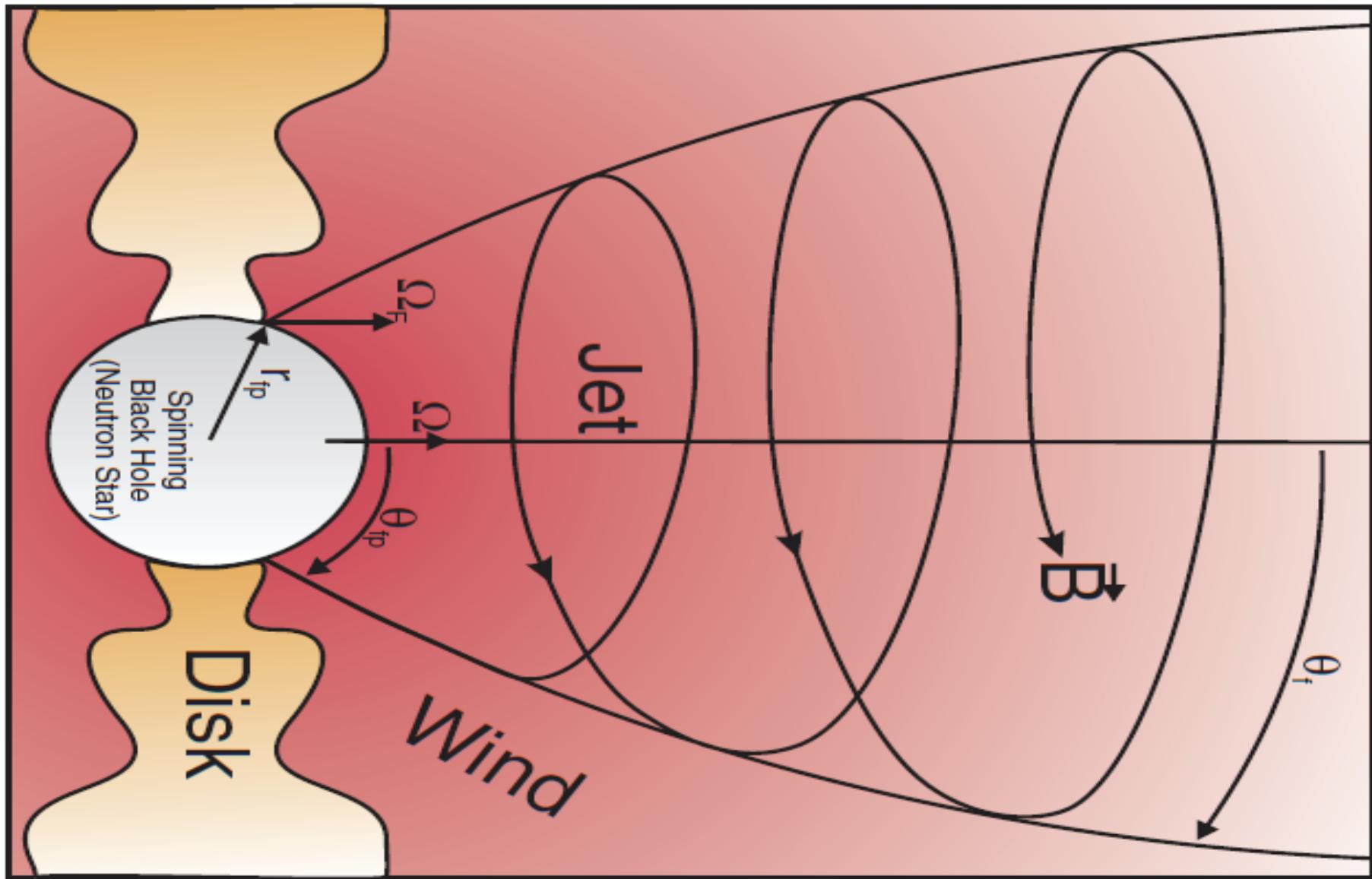
# BLAZAR 3C279 TeV-Flare: minutes-hours Lepton & Hadronic models invalid



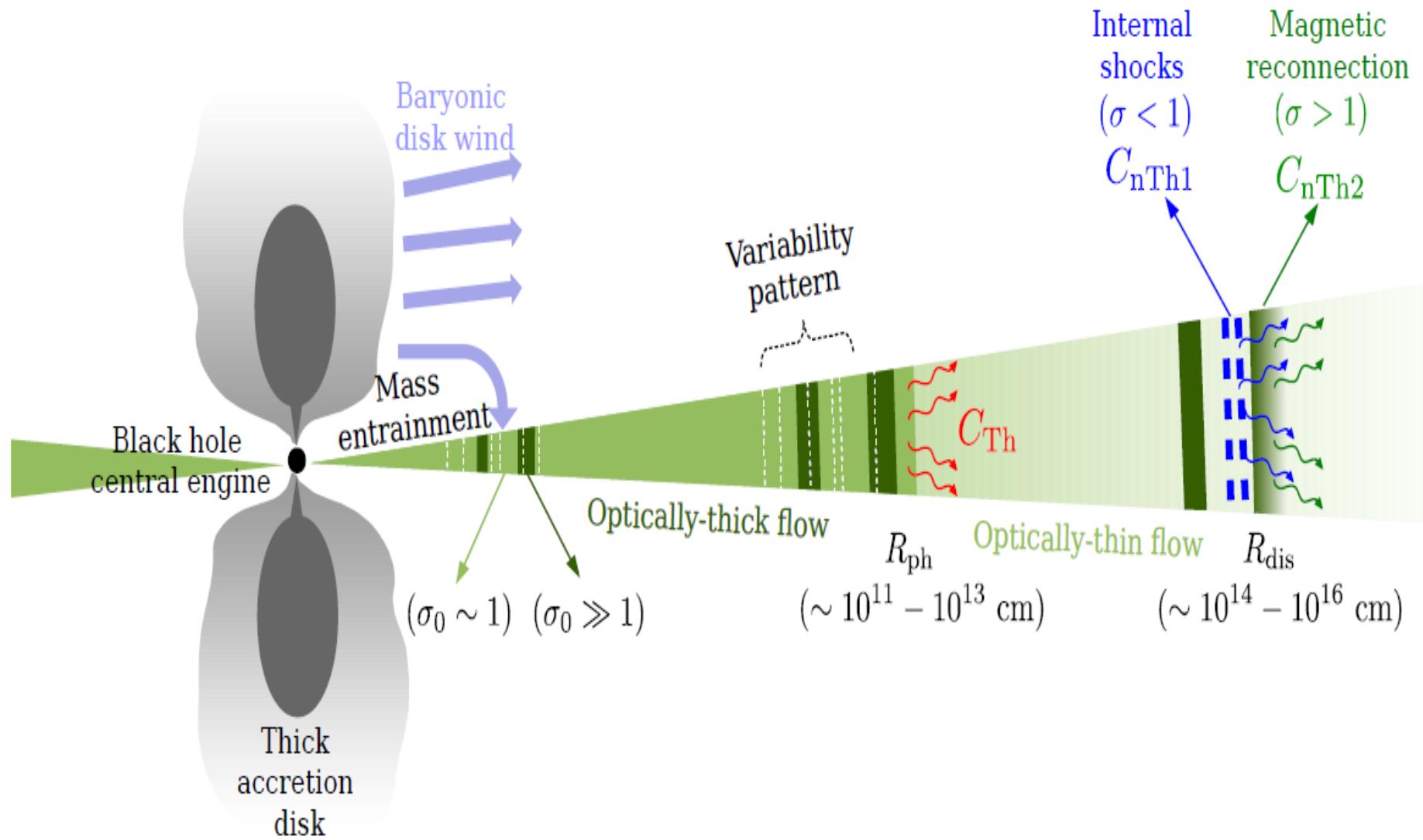
# Theoretical Tools for LHAASO

- Length scale and corresponding physical condition
- Small-scale dynamo for small-scale B-field and relation to large-scale B-field
- Plasma instabilities
- Turbulence: trigger reconnection/enhance B-field
- Collisionless magnetic reconnection
- Particle acceleration
- Radiation

# Large-Scale B-field



# Small-scale B-field



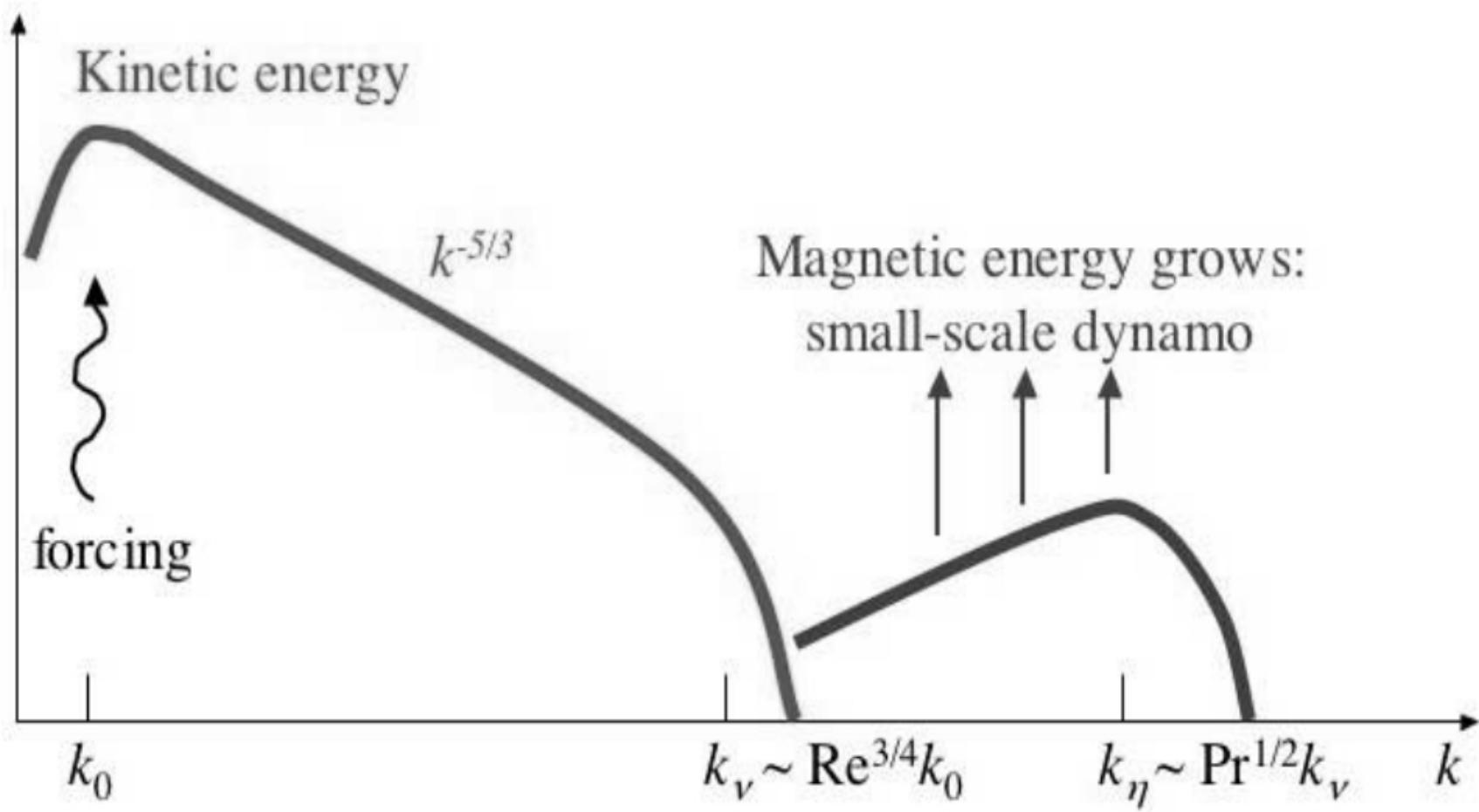
# Outline

- (A) Length scale and physical condition
- (B) Recent development
  - 1. small-scale B-field from small-scale turbulence
  - 2. B-field from plasma instability
  - 3. plasma kinetic turbulence
  - 4. collisionless shock
  - 5. two-fluid model
  - 6. reconnection
  - 7. radiation

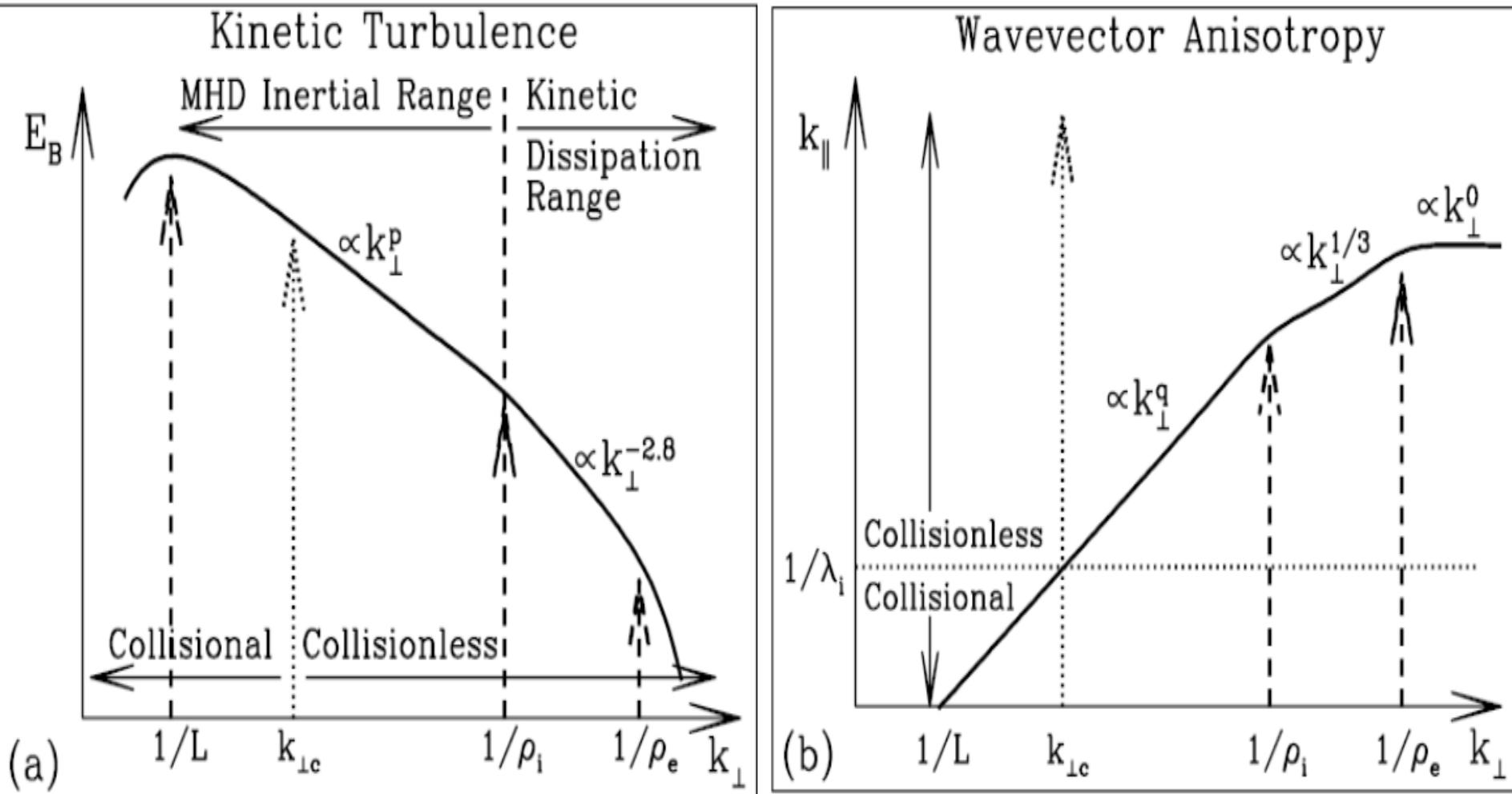
# Small-Scale Definition & MHD/Kinetic Method

- Far less than the system length
- Length: comparable to ion gyro-radius
- Length: comparable to skin length
- MHD or kinetic?
- Approximation: kinetic MHD

# Small-scale (Schekochihin et al. 2007)

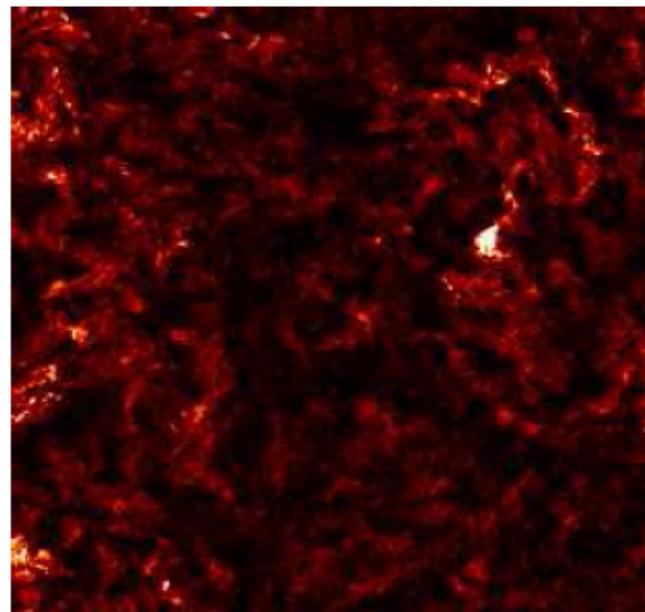
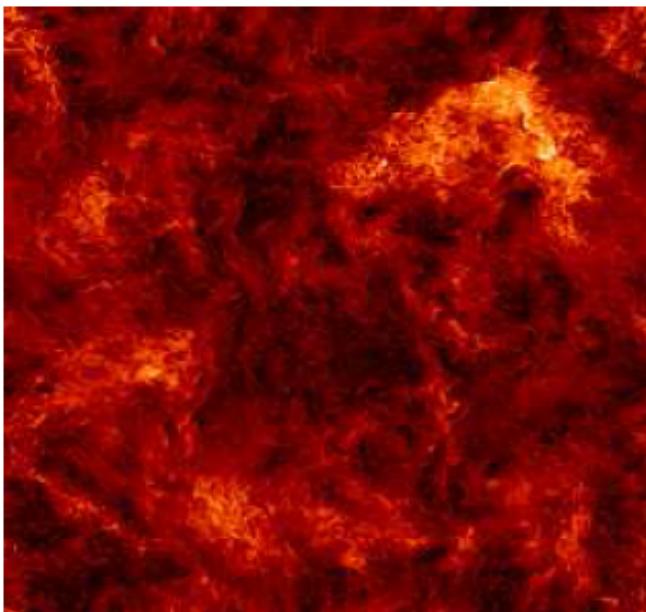
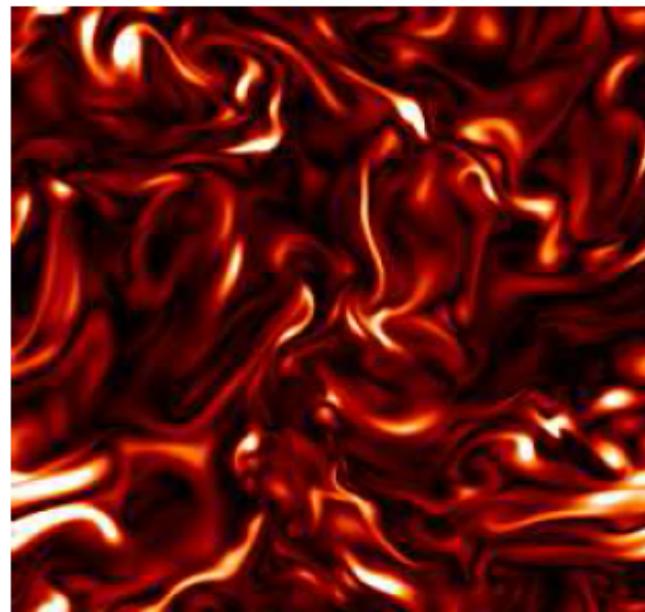
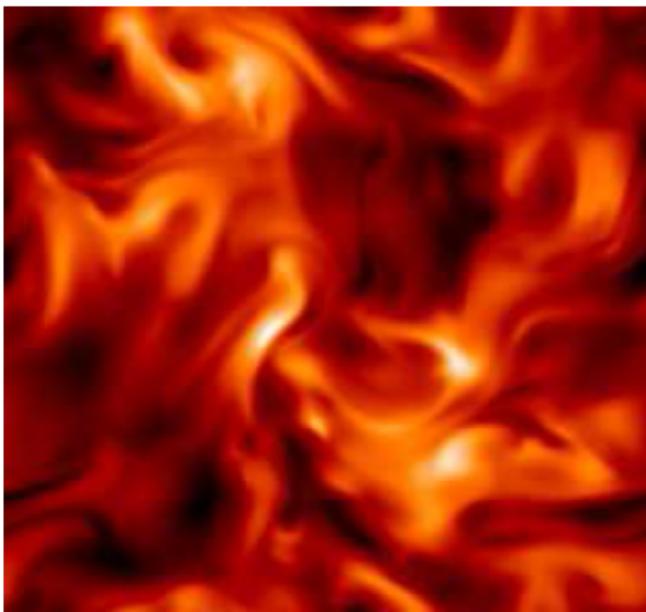


# Kinetic Turbulence (Howes 2015)



# 1. B-field generation by small-scale turbulence

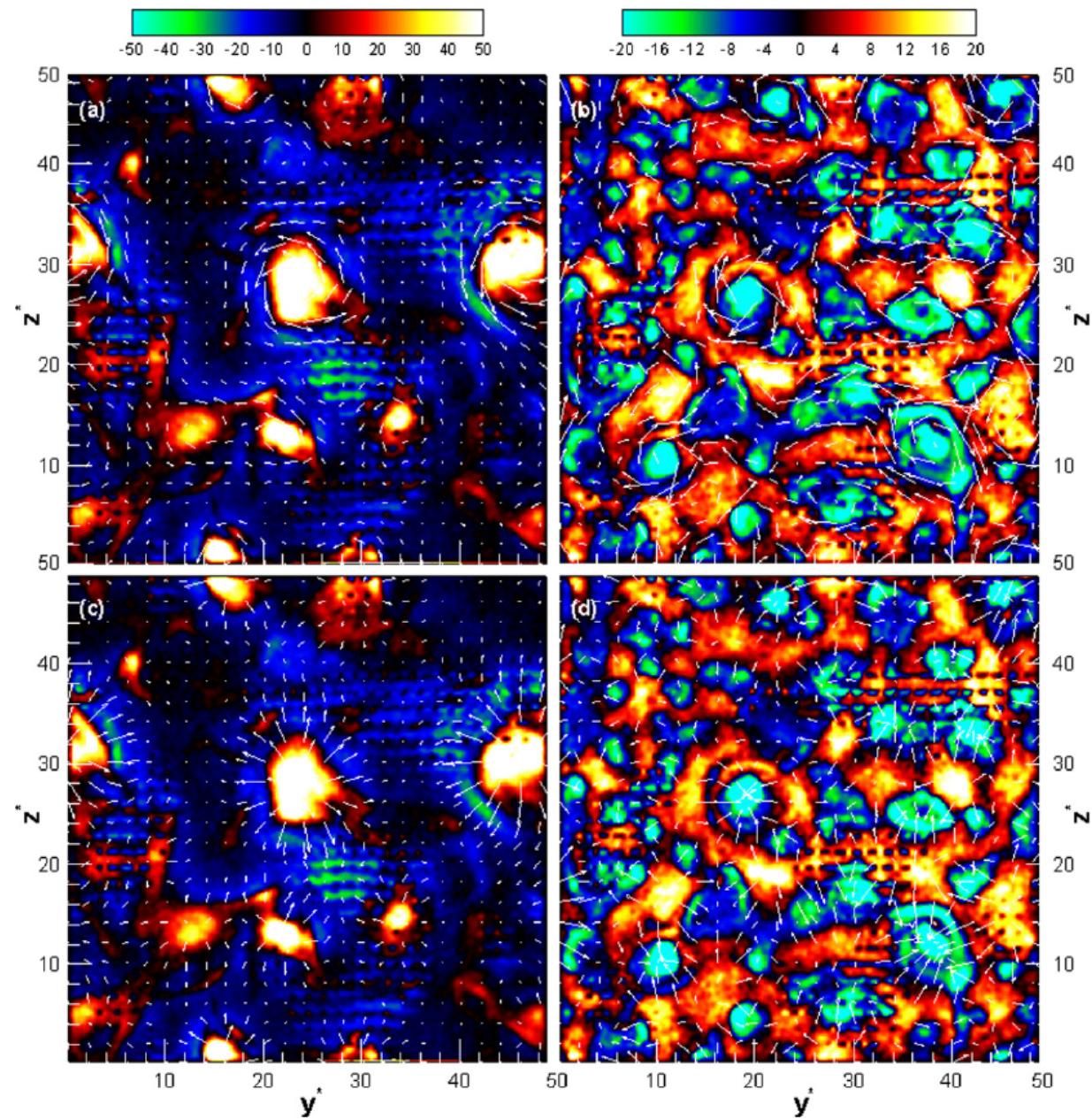
- B-field generation by small-scale turbulence  
Schekochihin et al. (2007, 2009)
- Small-scale system, B-field by dynamo  
large-scale system, B-field by Weibel instability  
(PIC, Schoeffler et al. 2016)
- Large scale B-field can be generated by dynamo,  
not suppressed by small-scale B-field  
(Squire & Bhattacharjee 2015)

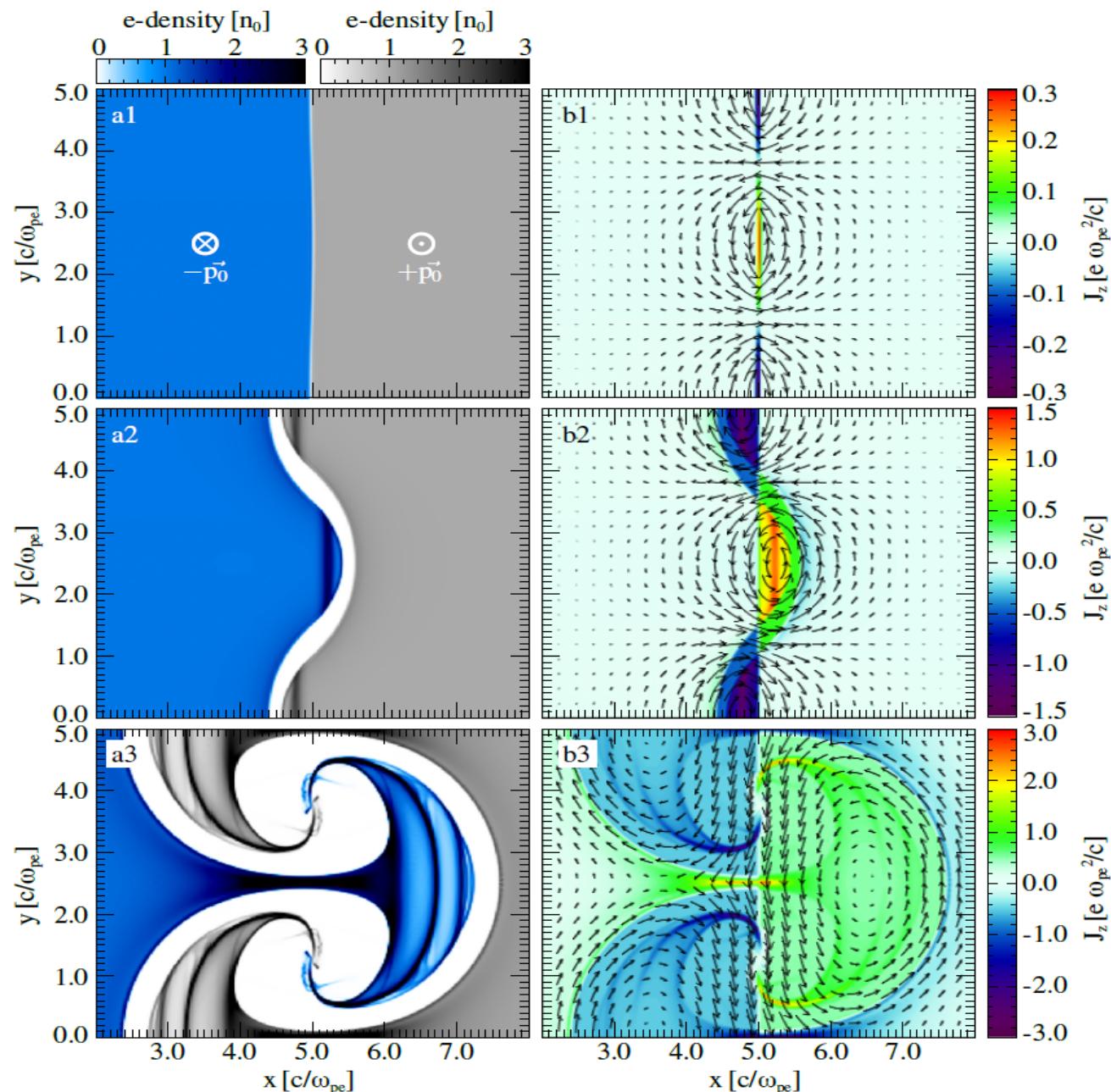


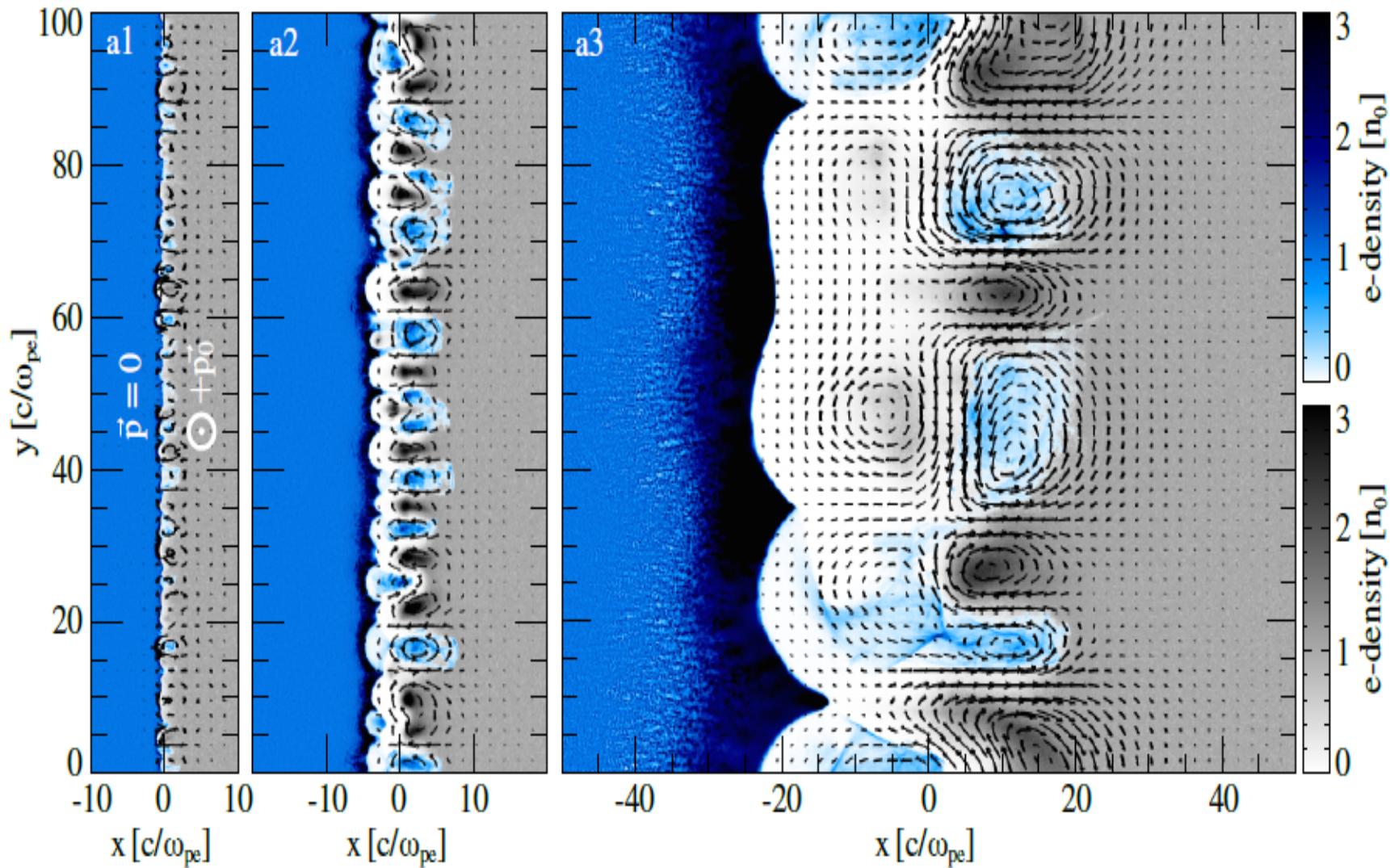
Schekochihin et al. 2007

## 2. B-field generation by plasma instabilities

- Relativistic shear flow into cold gas: K-H instability generation in the electron scale, B-field generation (PIC, Alves et al. 2015)
- Relativistic shock interaction with surrounding medium electron filaments, Weibel instability, B-field generation and saturation, B-field and ion interaction, inverse shock, electron acceleration  
(PIC, Ardaneh et al. 2015)
- application: relativistic jet propagation

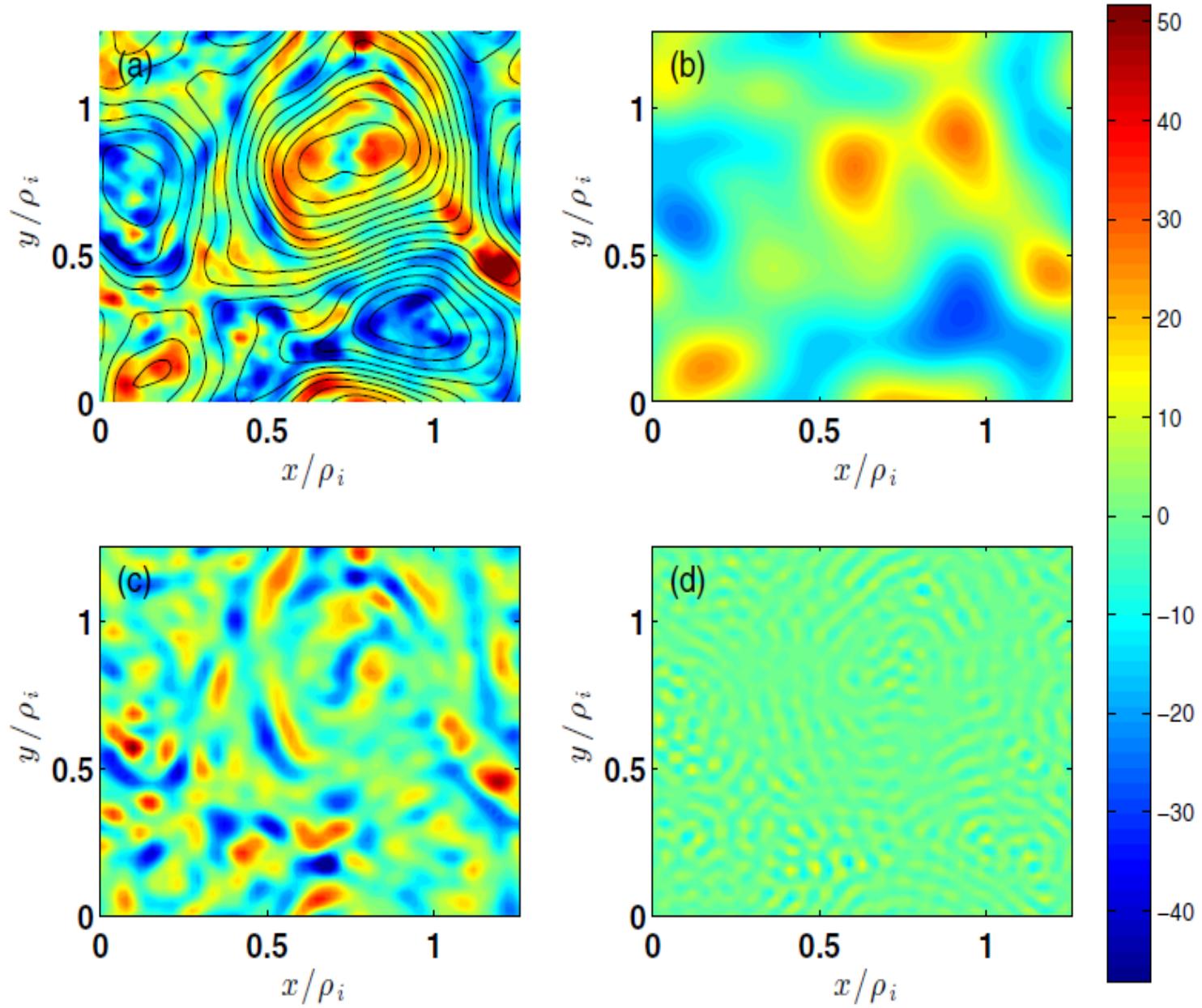






### 3. Plasma kinetic turbulence

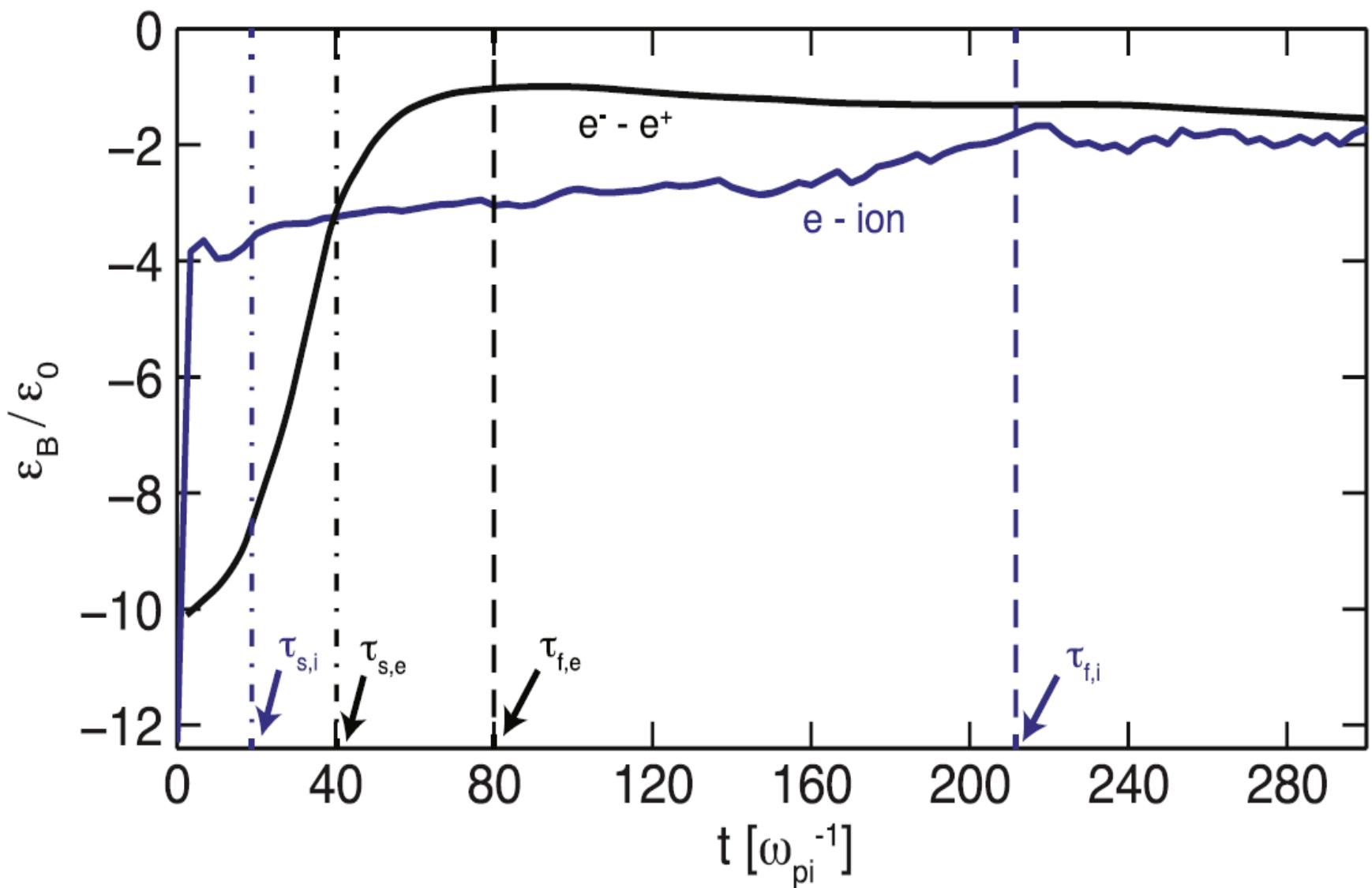
- Hybrid: electron fluid, ion kinetic reconnection through Vlasov turbulence (Servidio et al. 2015)
- Kinetic Alfvén wave (Vasconez et al. 2015)
- 2D and 3D Landau Damping (Li et al. 2015)
- Current sheet on electron scale generated by kinetic turbulence  
(Tenbarge & Howes 2013)



Tenbarge & Howes (2013)

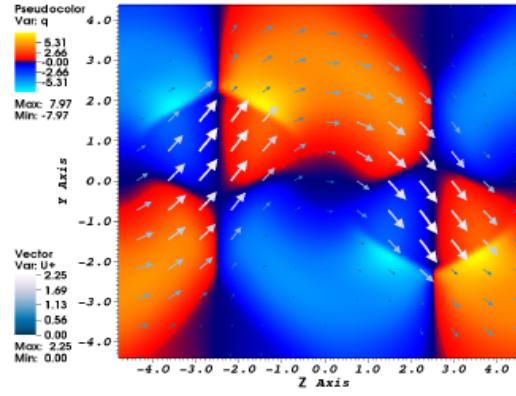
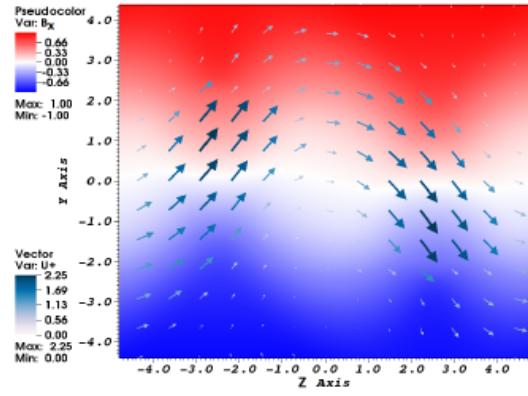
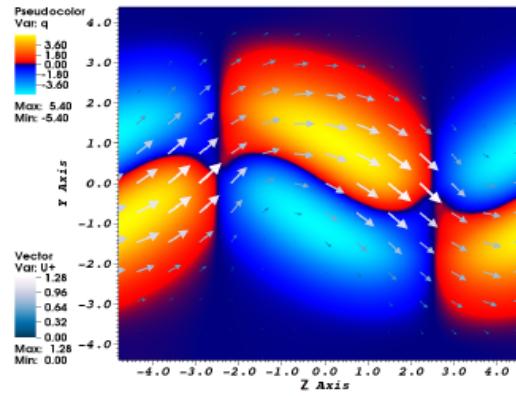
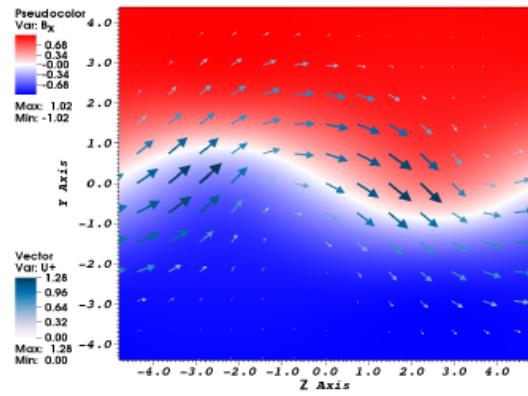
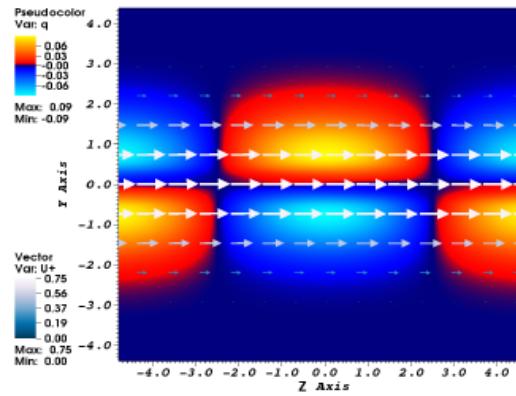
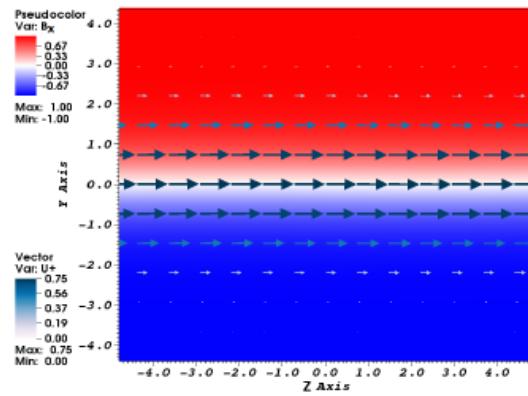
## 4. Collisionless shock

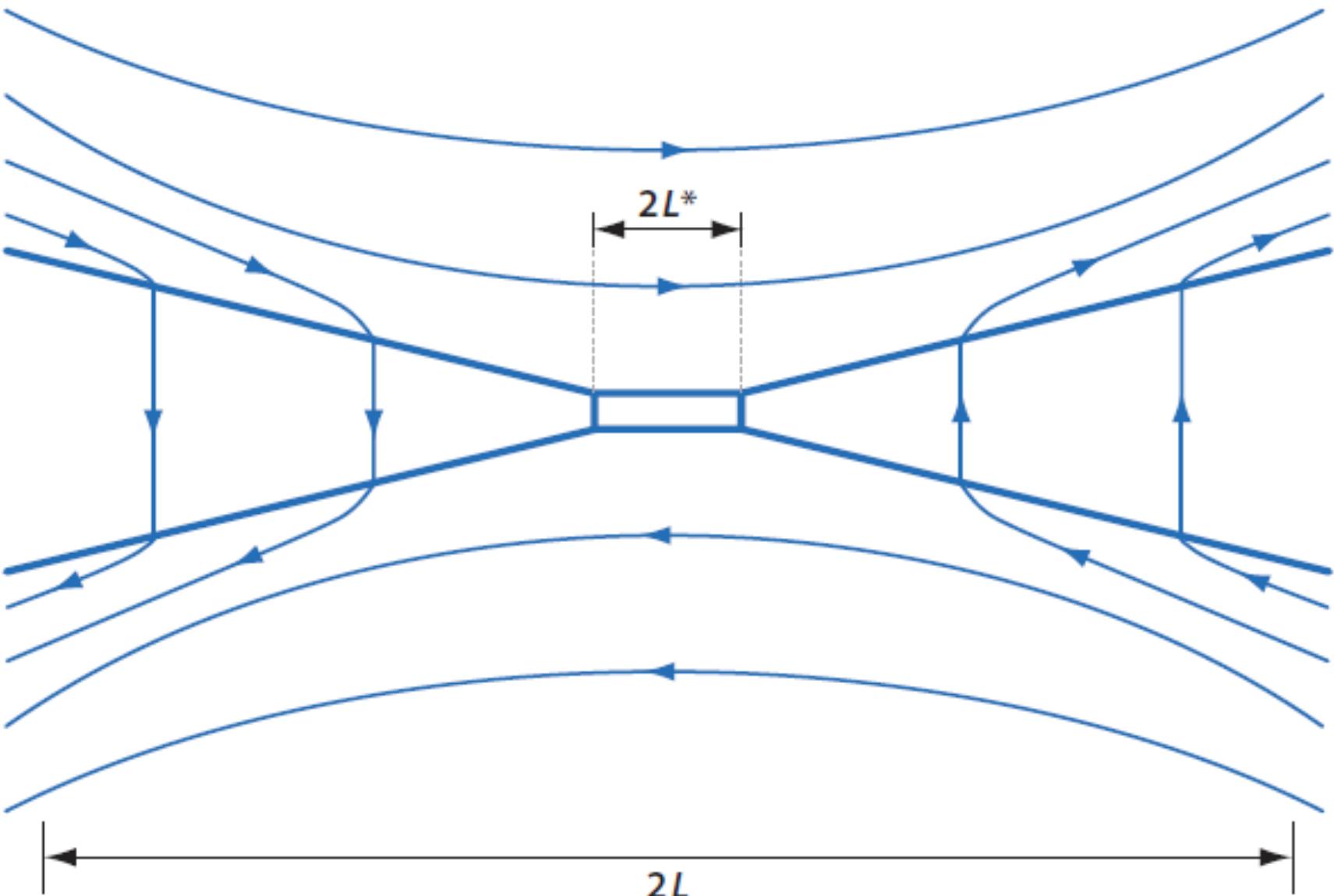
- Weibel instability due to Collisionless shock  
(Bret et al. 2014, Stockem Novo 2015)
- Acceleration at Weibel instability region, related to B-field formation, electrons scattered by turbulence, no electrons gyration (Lloyd-Ronning & Fryer 2016)
- B-field due to Weibel instability decay at shock front no way to acceleration
- Solve it: turbulence and/or particle injection

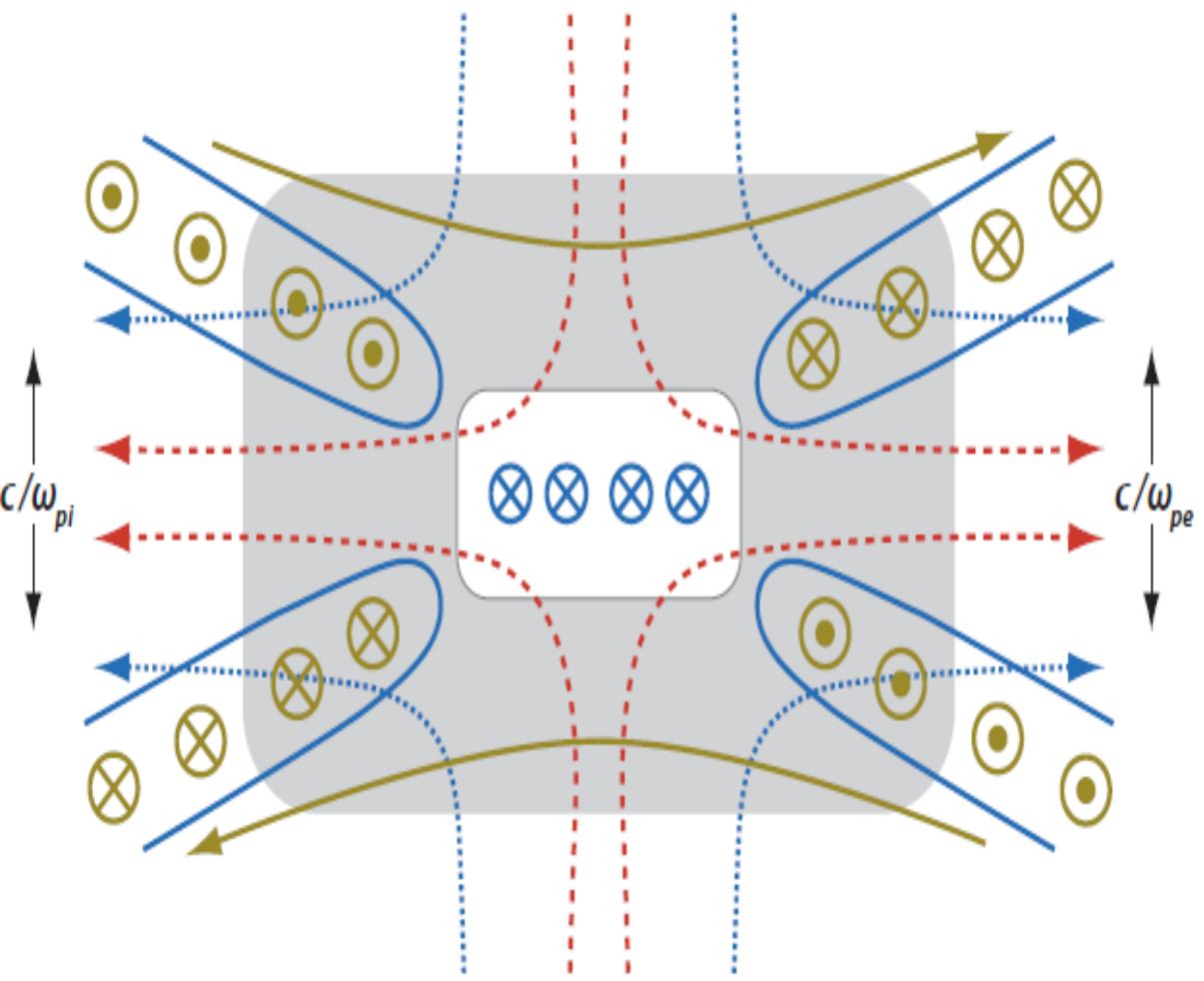


## 5. Two-fluid

- Relativistic two-fluid magnetic reconnection (Zentitani 2007)
- Initially set on the thickness of current sheet as electron skin depth (Barkov et al. 2014)
- Tear instability and kink instability, shock formation (Barkov & Komissarov 2016)



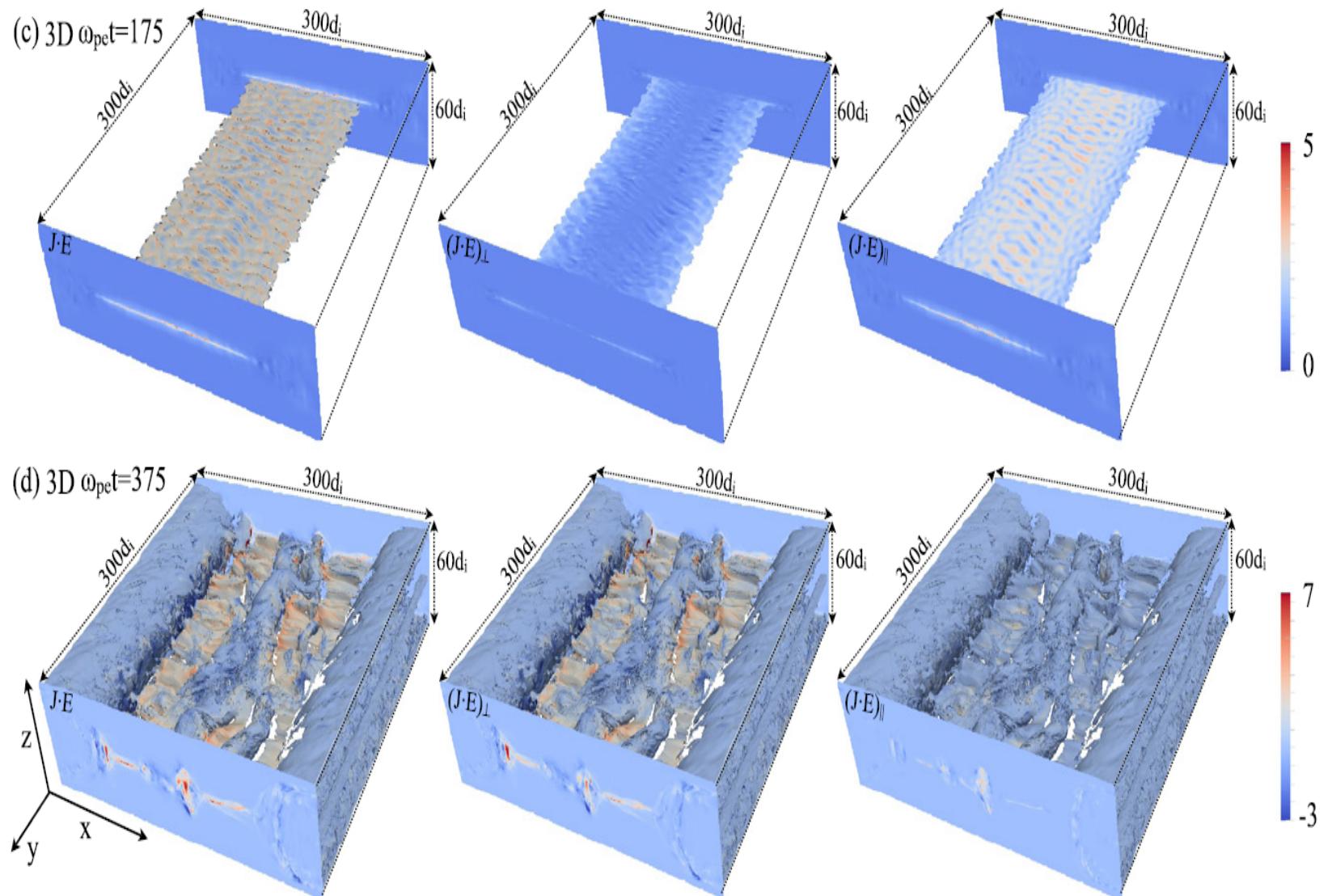


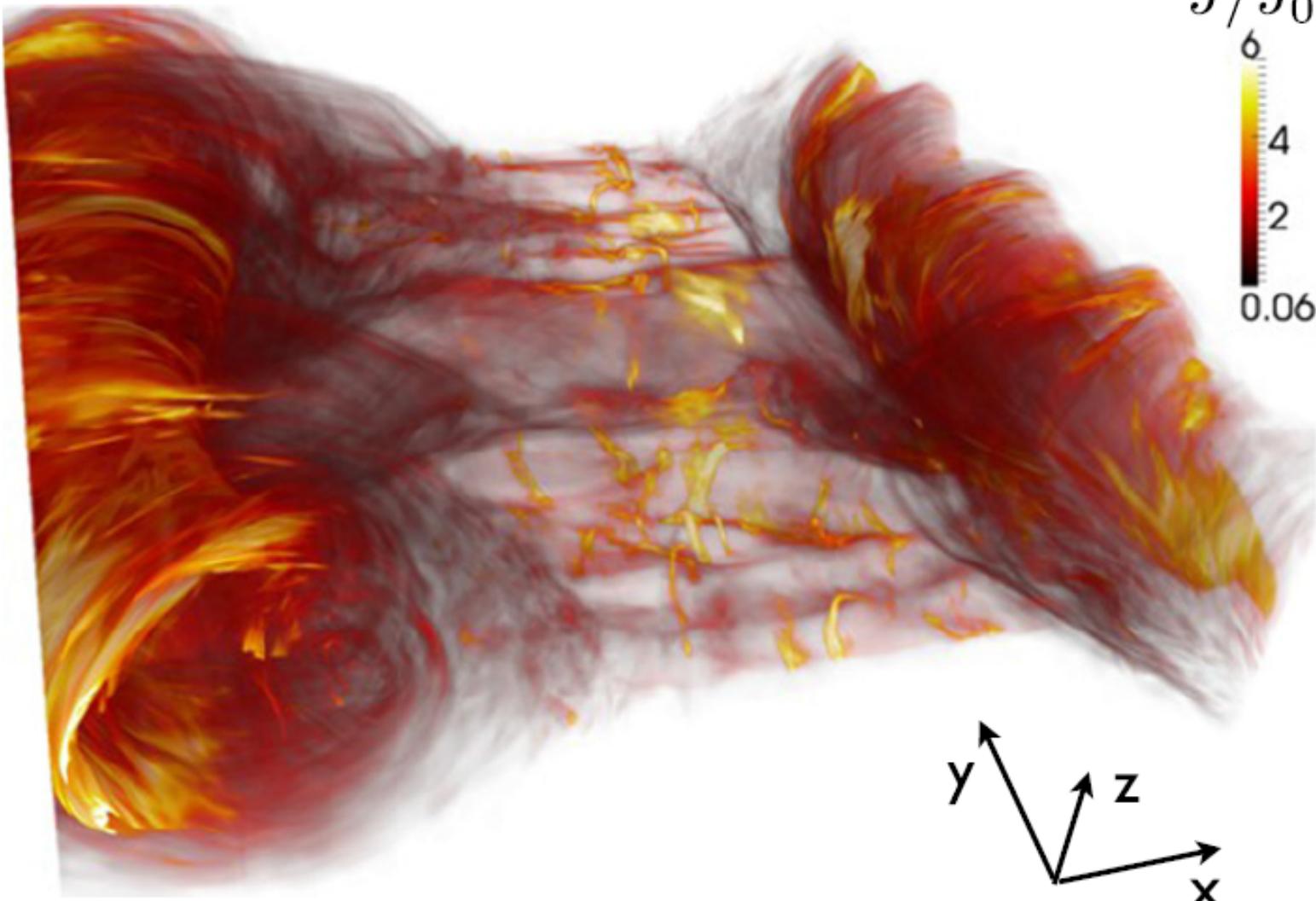


- $\otimes$   $\longrightarrow$  B-field
- $\rightarrow$  Current
- ..... $\rightarrow$  Ion flow
- ..... $\rightarrow$  Electron flow
- Ion dissipation region
- Electron dissipation region

## 6.1 Collisionless reconnection

- 3D PIC magnetic tube and tear instability  
Turbulence accompanied with reconnection  
(Guo et al. 2015)
- island by tear instability, particle acceleration inside islands  
(nonrelativistic Li et al. 2015; relativistic Guo et al. 2014)
- larger lengthscale longer timescale (Sironi et al. 2016)  
particle distribution isotropic/anisotropic  
disruption of particle acceleration

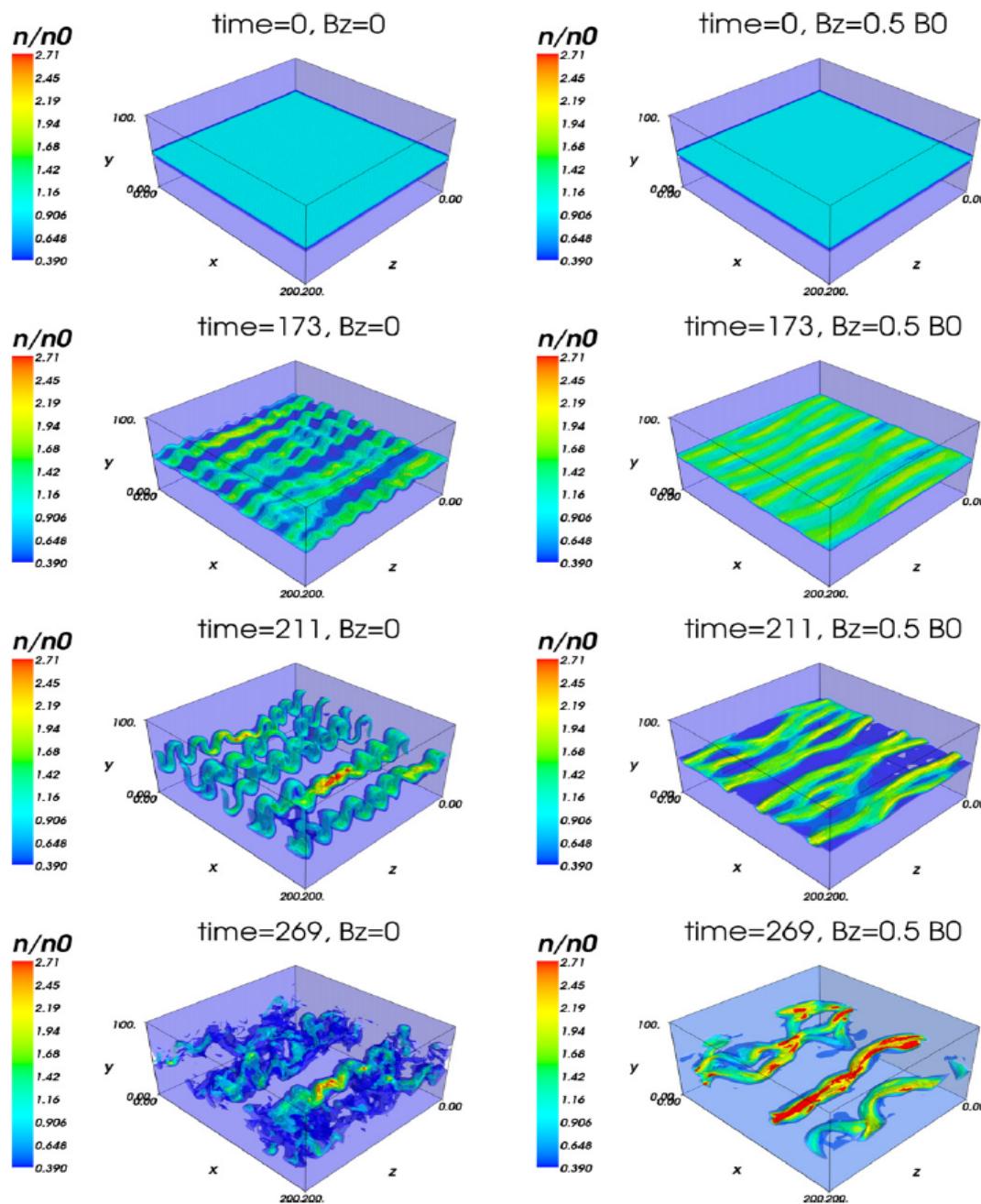


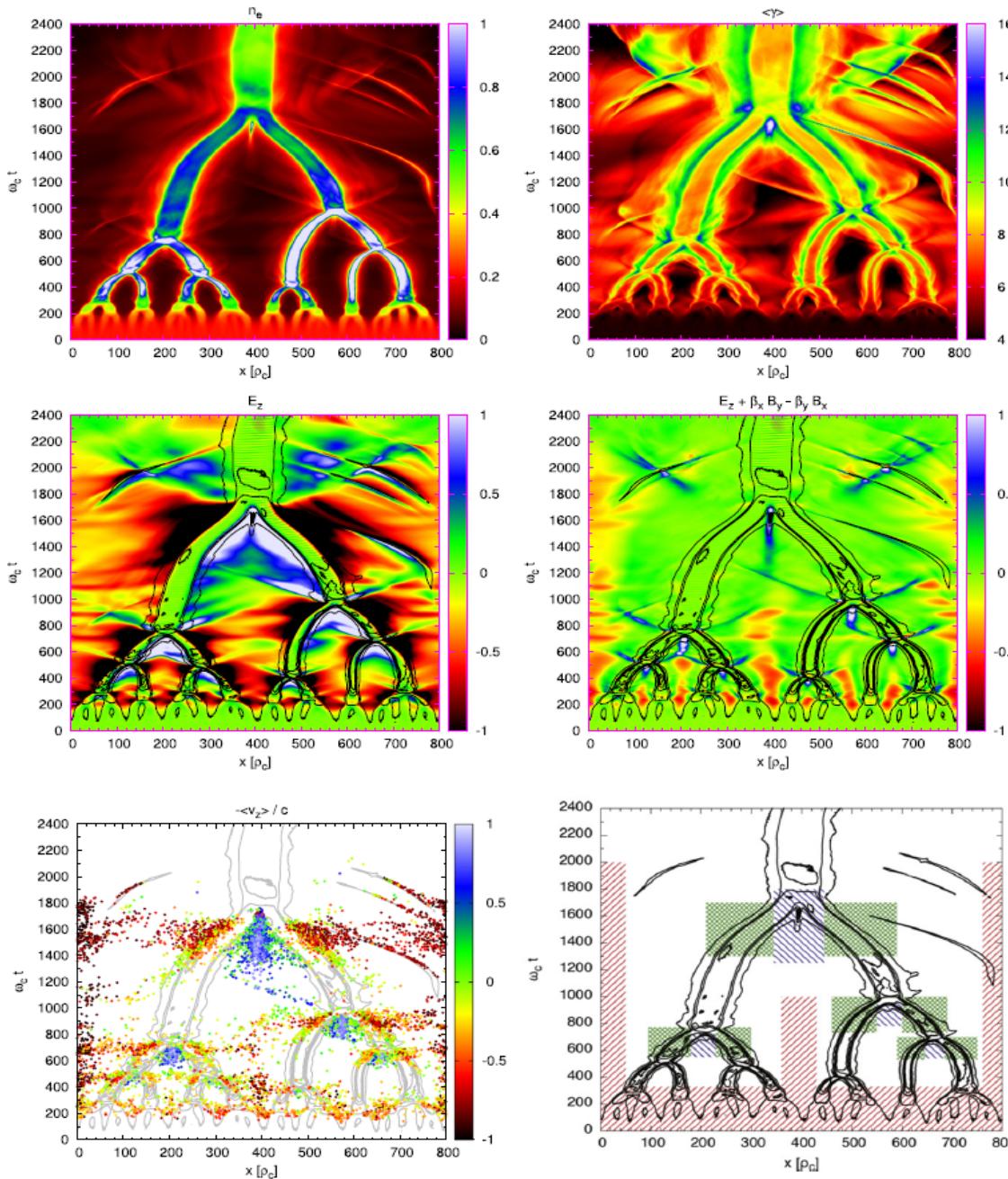


Guo et al. (2015)

## 6.2 Radiative collisionless reconnection

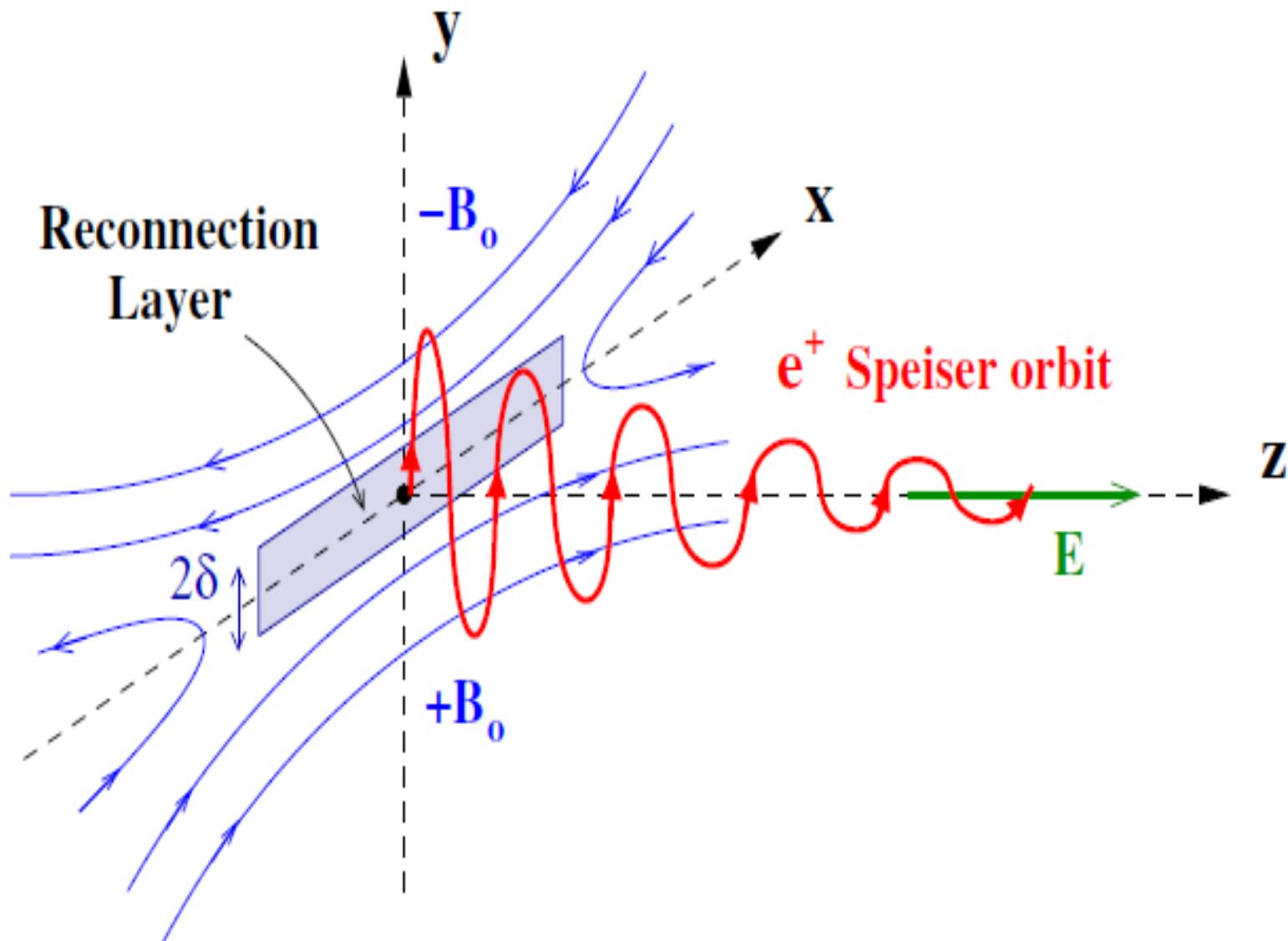
- Synchrotron cooling in magnetic reconnection  
(Cerutti et al. 2014)  
with guild field: tear instability & acceleration are effective  
no guild field: kink instability depresses tear instability  
heating electrons, destroy acceleration
- Plasmoid dominated reconnection: tear instability makes plasmoids, merger, acceleration in merging region, power-law index 1.6  
(Nalewajko et al. 2015)
- particle energy spectrum related to B-field and radiation scale (Werner et al. 2016)

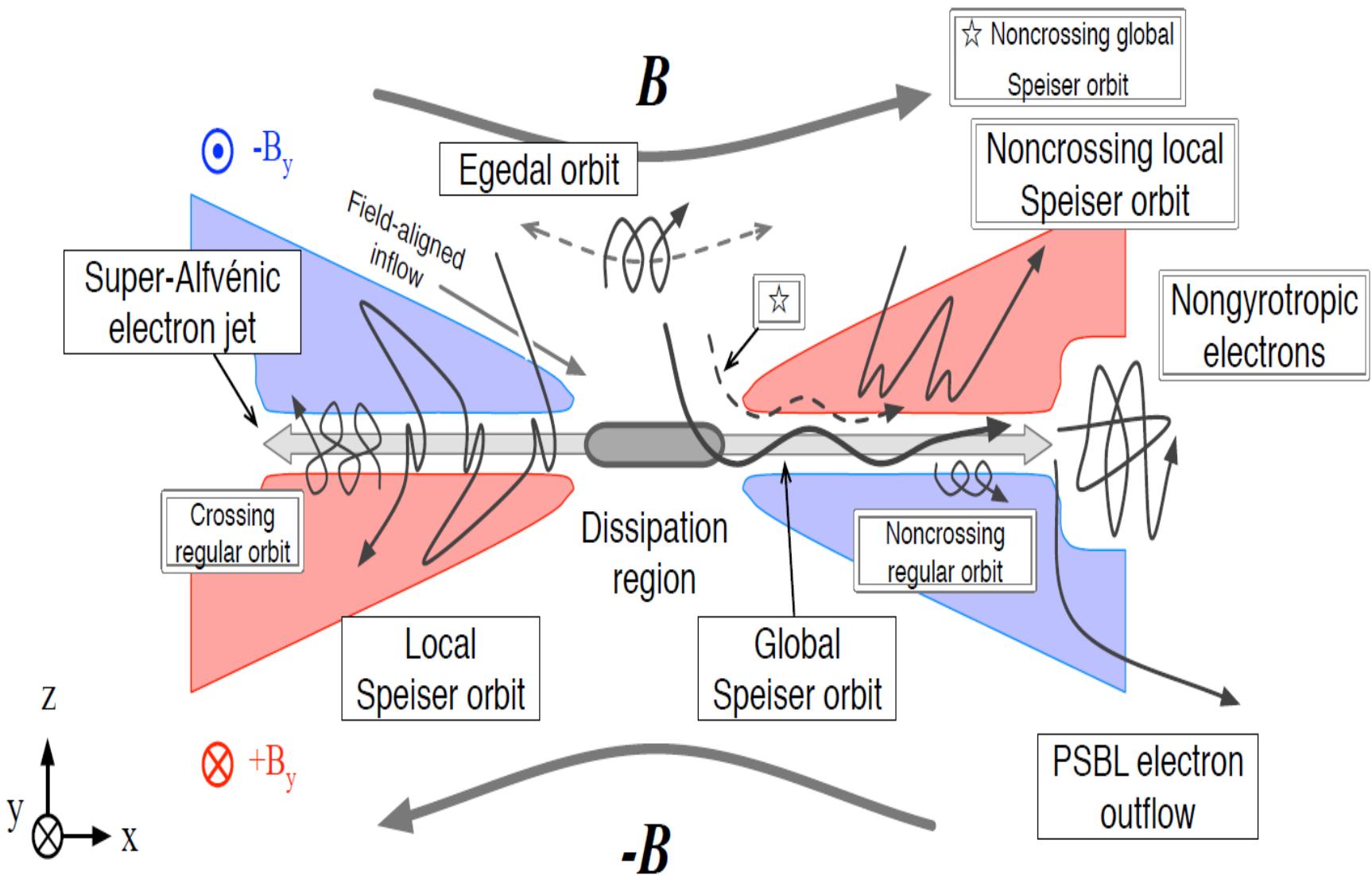




## 6.3 Particle orbit in collisionless magnetic reconnection

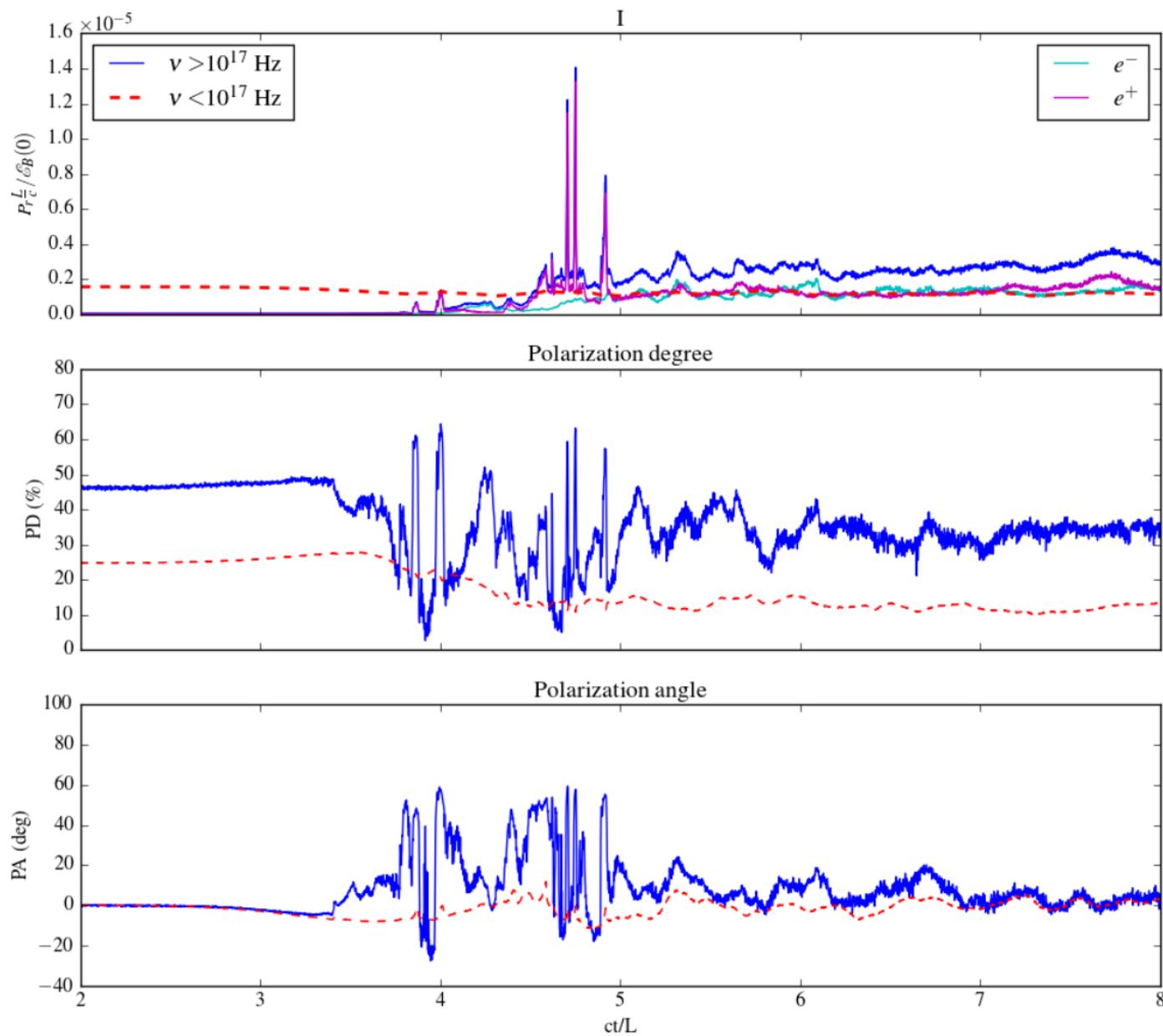
- A simple case: Speiser Orbit in radiative magnetic reconnection (Cerutti et al. 2013)
- Electron sheet inner region:
  - electron nongyrotropy behavior:
  - electron outflow region: figure-eight-shaped orbit
  - electron outflow edge: noncrossing regular orbit
    - noncrossing Speiser orbit
- (Zenitani 2016)





## 7.1 Small-scale acceleration and radiation

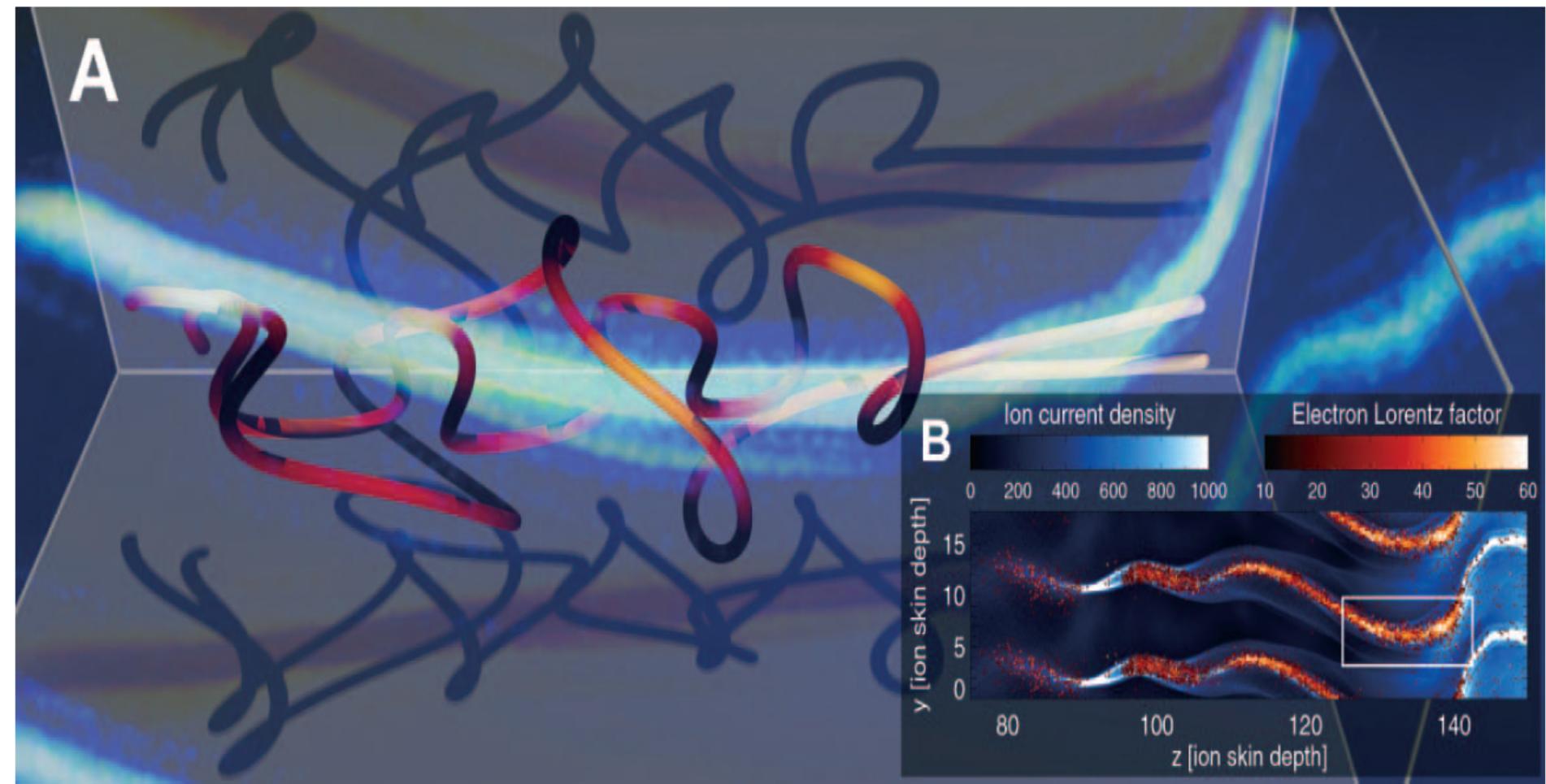
- Long current sheet tear plasmoid merger energy spectrum: first, peak forms high-energy tail power-law due to turbulence
- Radiation: short timescale variability and polarization
- radiation instantaneous
- radiation region: 10-20 gyro-radius
- (Yuan et al. 2016)

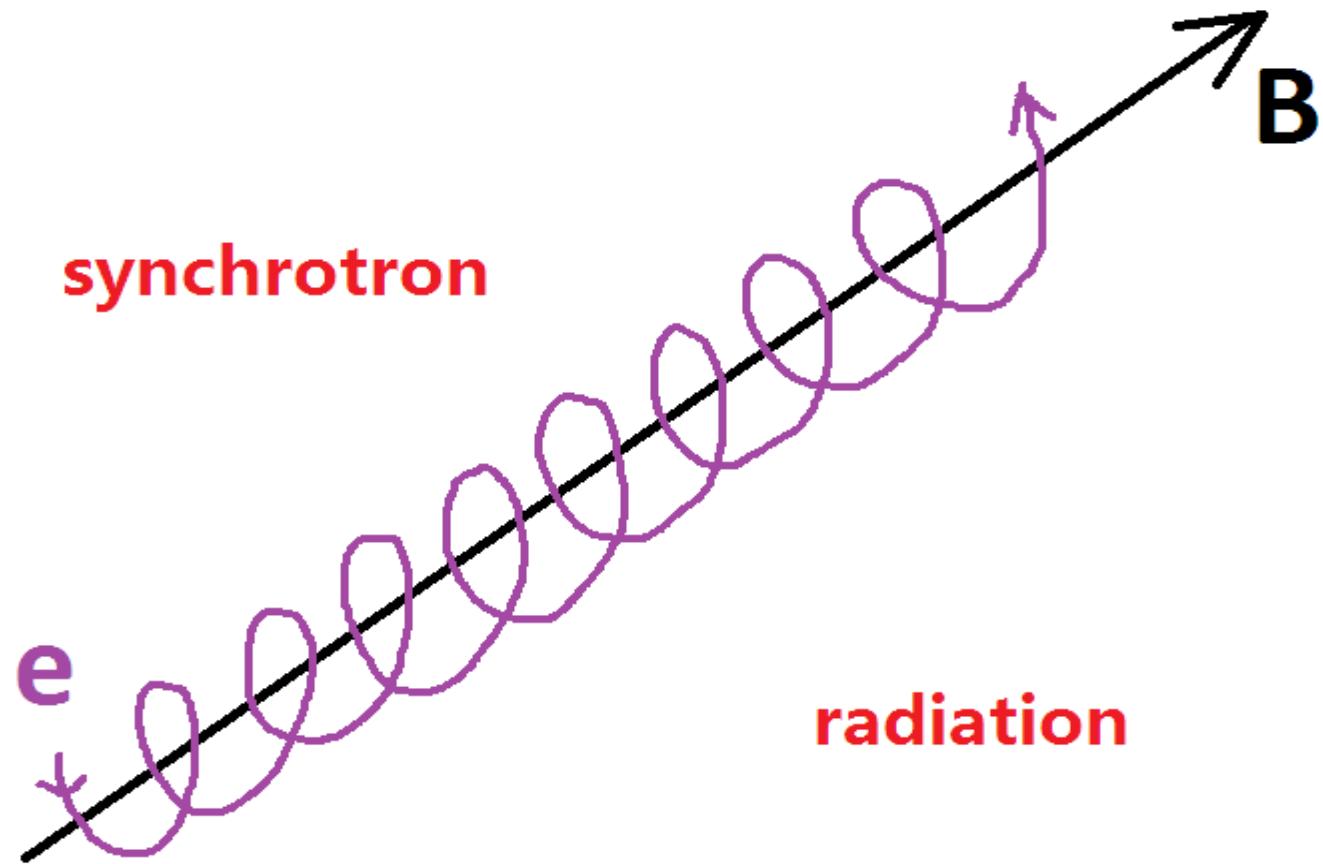


## 7.2 Radiation mechanism

- Relativistic electrons radiation in random and small-scale B-fields
- 3D PIC electron orbit  
(Hedeland et al. 2004)
- Monte-Carlo simulation (Teraki & Takahara 2014)
- Deep research ... ....

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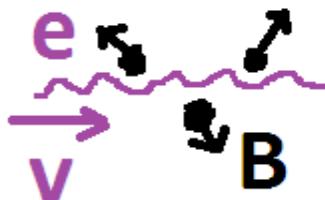




still cyclotron/synchrotron moving?



electron random walk inside  
random & small-scale fields



special case: electron "collision"  
with magnetic elements keeping  
same velocity direction  
---- jitter radiation

# Jitter radiation (Mao & Wang ApJ, 2007, 2011, 2012, 2013)

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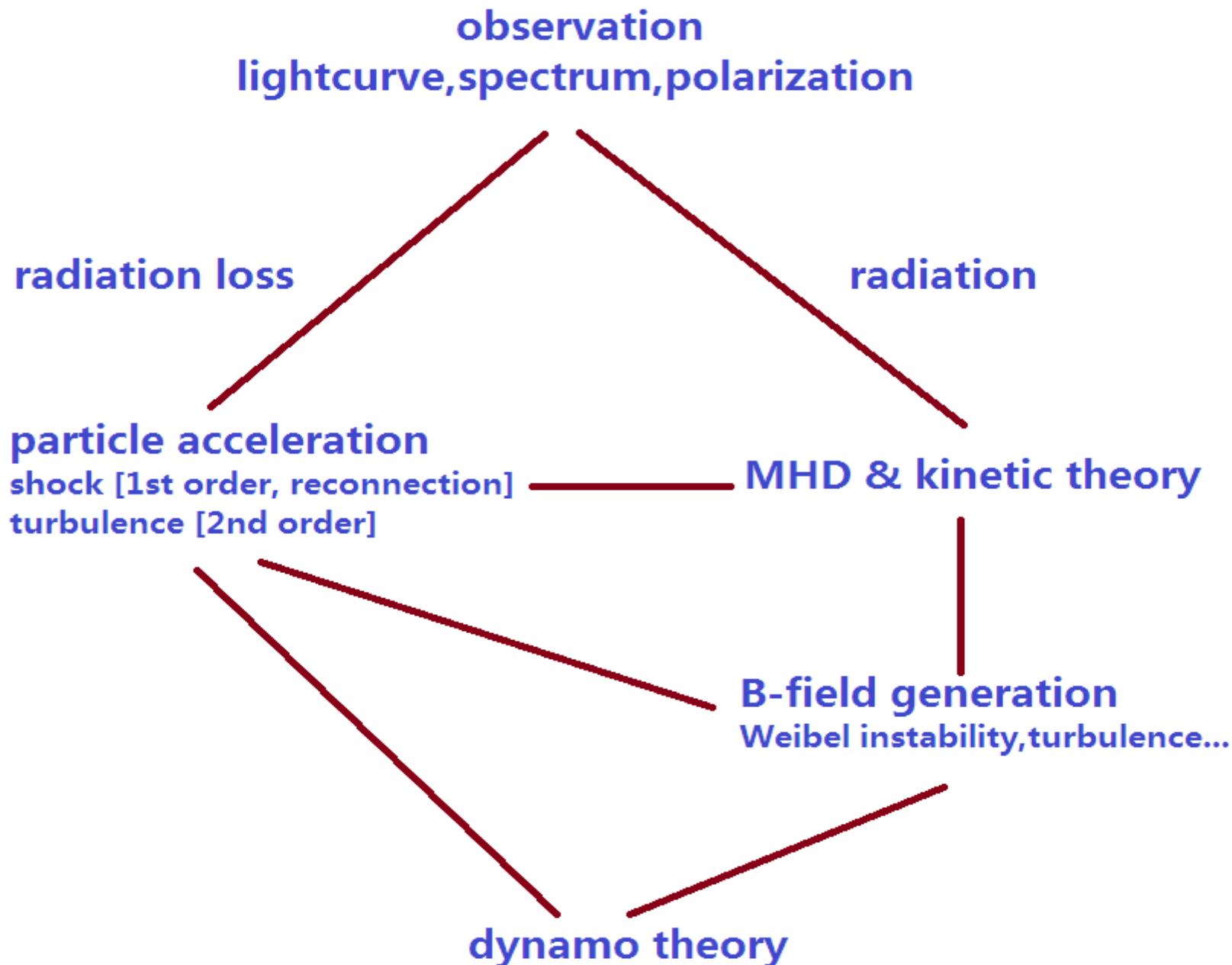
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## APPLICATION OF JITTER RADIATION: GAMMA-RAY BURST PROMPT POLARIZATION

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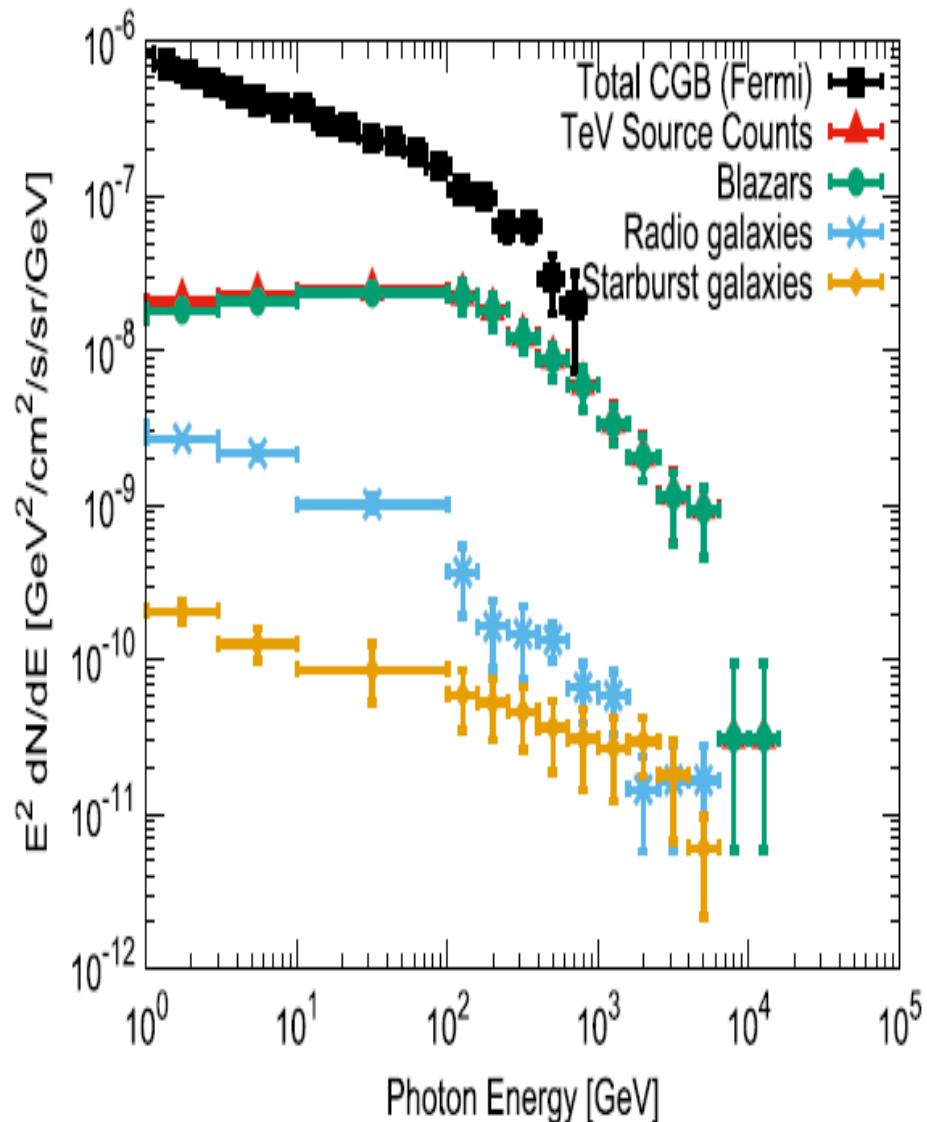
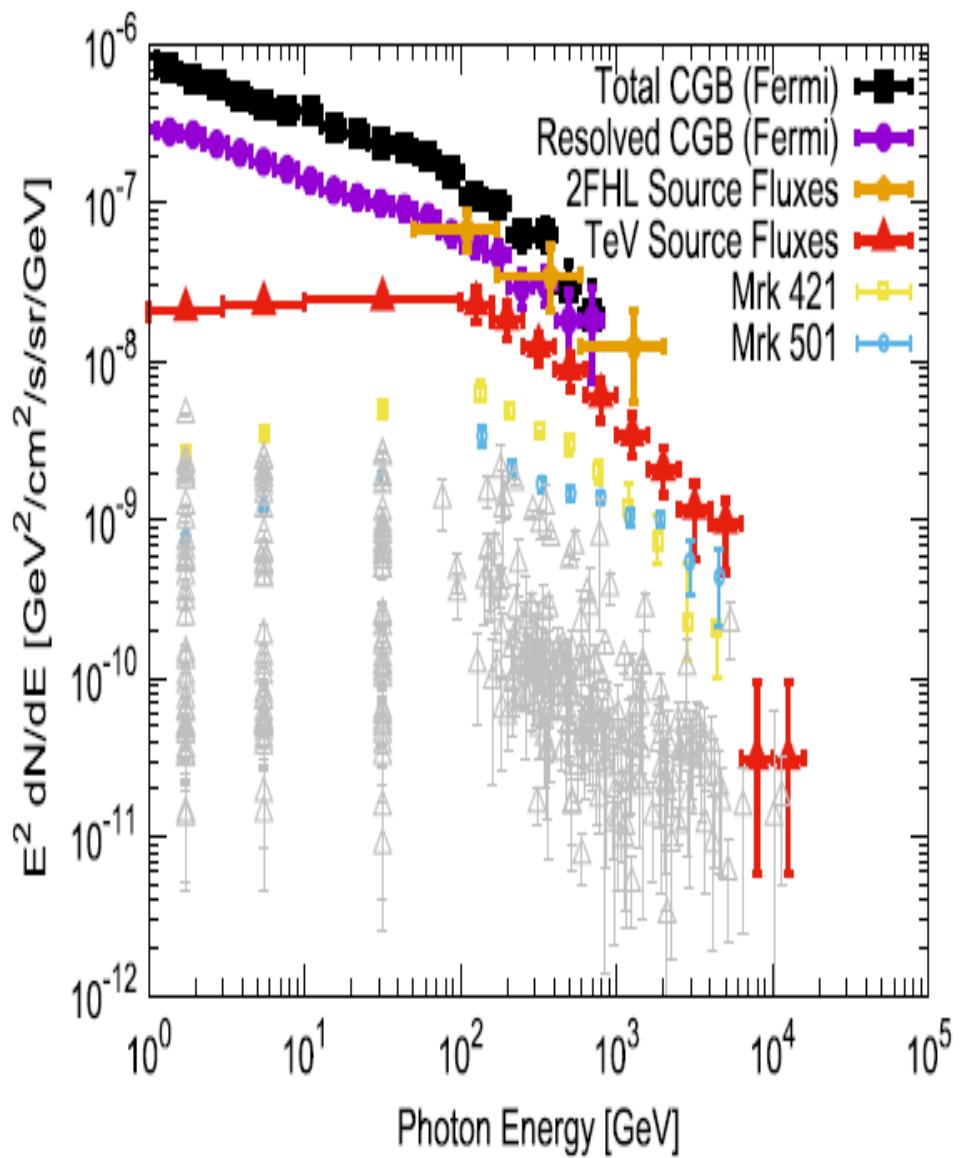
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# LHAASO Detection

- All high-energy sources to background
- Possibility of single source detection

# TeV Background: LHAASO ?



# LHAASO Single Source Detection

- Difficulty: original position of particles  
large angle in sky, interaction with cosmic B-field
- GRB, AGN flare, SN explosion:  
almost simultaneously photons + particle
- Multi-wavelength detection of an event  
TeV + (GeV, X-ray, optical, radio)+(GW, neutrino)

# Solving Problems with LHAASO

- How many sources contributed to LHAASO detection? Monte-Carlo simulation
- Theoretical model: B-field dominated physics
  - (1) radiation mechanism
  - (2) generation: reconnection-particle energy released?
  - (3) propagation: cascade process or particle-induced turbulence?
- Observation: cooperation with LHAASO optical & radio telescopes @YNAO
- Data analysis of LHAASO

# New Detections + New Models Astrophysics + High-energy Physics

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