

On the mean profiles of radio pulsars

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The paradigme

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- Mass $M \sim 1.4 M_{\odot}$
- Radius $R \sim (10-15) \text{ km}$
- Rotating period $P \sim 1 \text{ s}$
- Magnetic field $B_0 \sim 10^{12} \text{ G}$
- Radio luminosity $L_r \sim 10^{28} \text{ erg/s}$ ($\sim 10^{-10} L_{\odot}$)
- Coherent mechanism: $T \sim 10^6 \text{ K}$ ($\sim 10^6 \text{ K}$???)

The key electrodynamic idea

(Kardashev, 1964; Pacini, 1967)

Magneto-dipole (vacuum) radiation

$$W_{\text{tot}} = -J_r \Omega \dot{\Omega} \approx \frac{1}{6} \frac{B_0^2 \Omega^4 R^6}{c^3} \sin^2 \chi$$

$$W_{\text{tot}} \sim (10^{-10} - 10^{-12}) \text{ erg/s}$$

In reality is it not so (magnetosphere is filled with plasma), but is enough for evaluation

Strong magnetic field

$$B \sim 10^9 \text{ G} \sim B_{\text{crit}} = m_e \bar{c} / eh = 4.4 \cdot 10^9 \text{ G}$$

- Pair creation

$$\gamma + B \rightarrow e^+ + e^- + B$$

$$w = \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{16\sqrt{2}} \frac{e^3 B \sin \theta}{\hbar m_e c^3} \exp \left(-\frac{8}{3} \frac{B_{\hbar}}{B \sin \theta} \frac{m_e c^2}{\mathcal{E}_{\text{ph}}} \right)$$

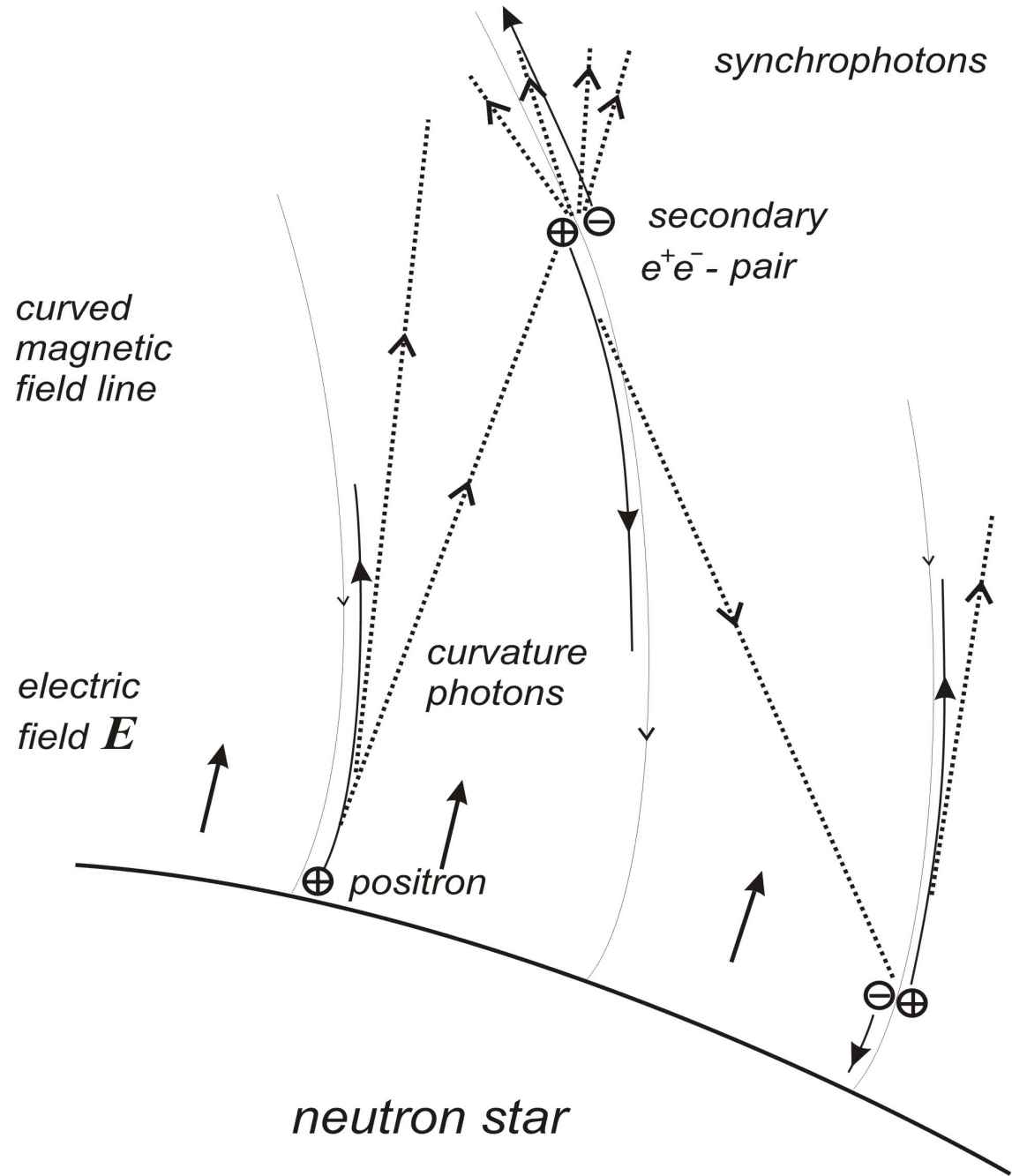
- 1D motion

$$\tau_s \approx \frac{1}{\omega_B} \left(\frac{c}{\omega_B r_e} \right) \sim 10^{-15} \text{ s}$$

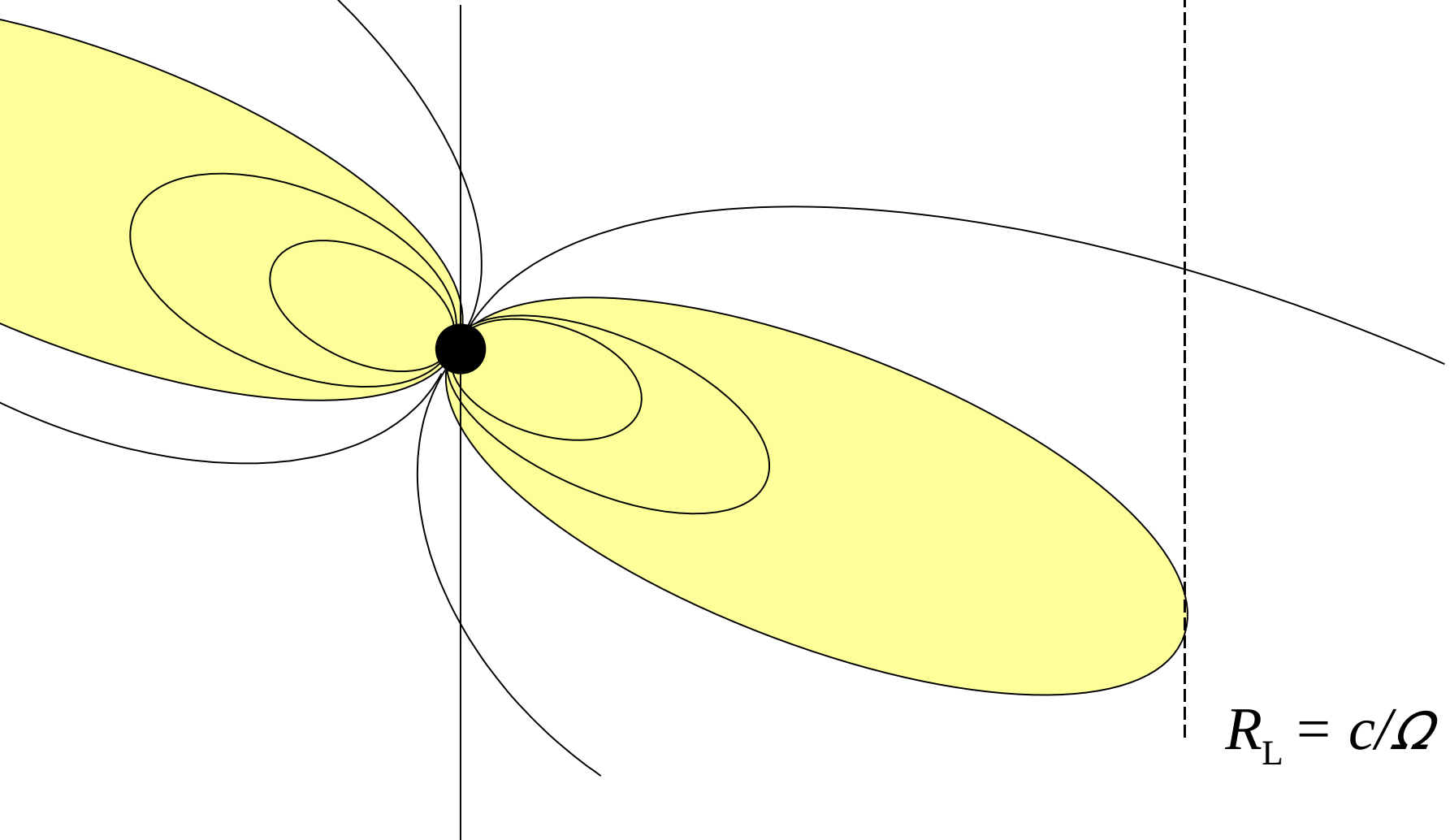
- Electric field

$$E_{\parallel} \sim \frac{\Omega R}{c} B_0$$

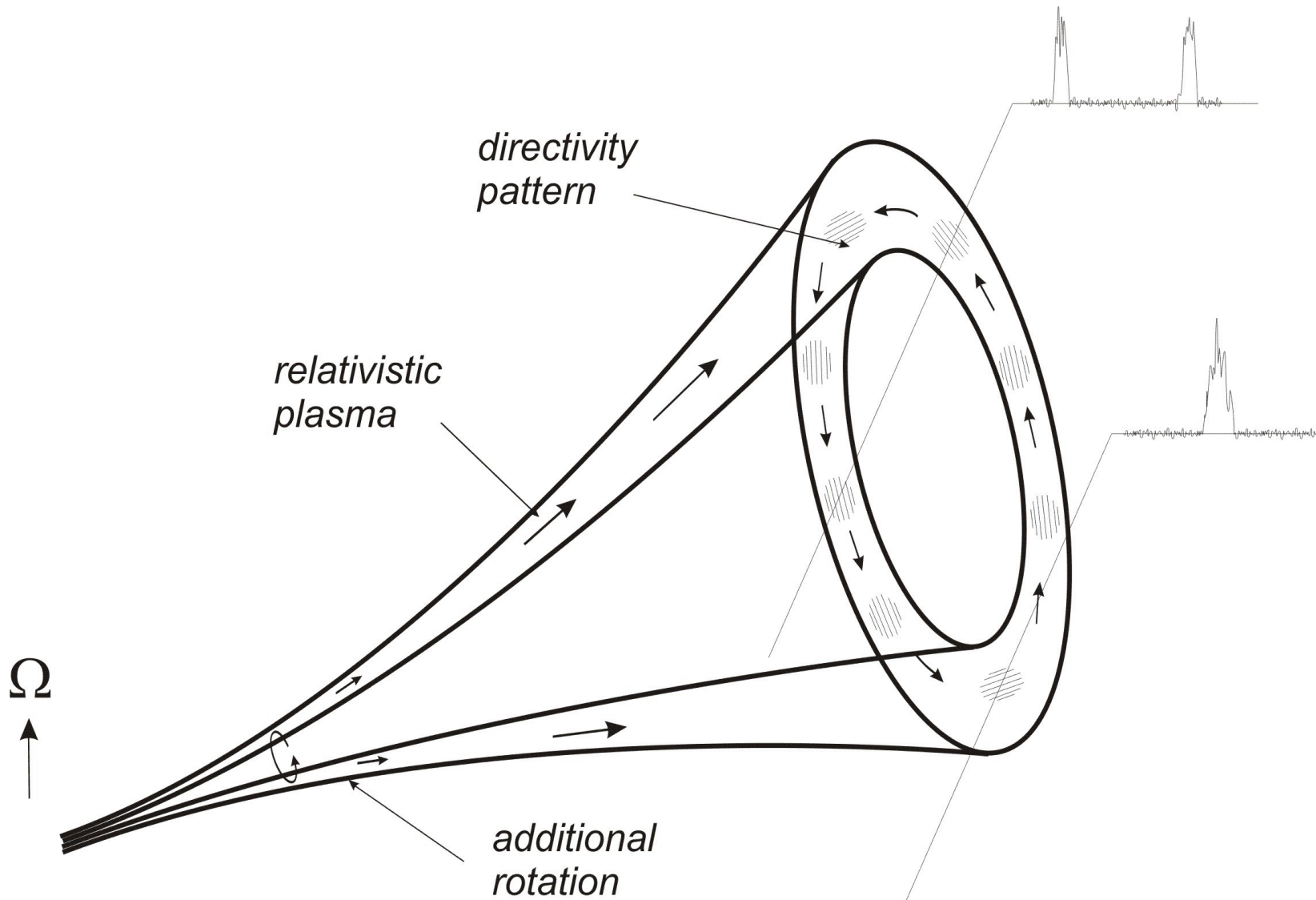
Particle creation



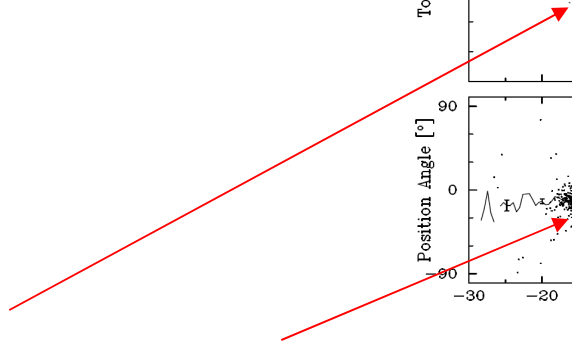
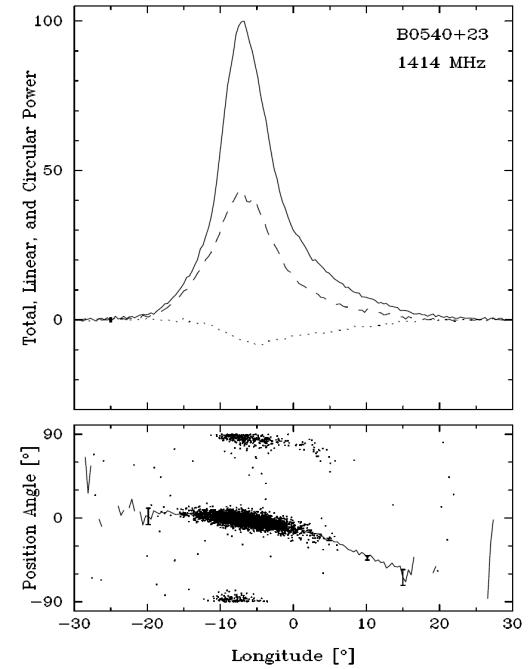
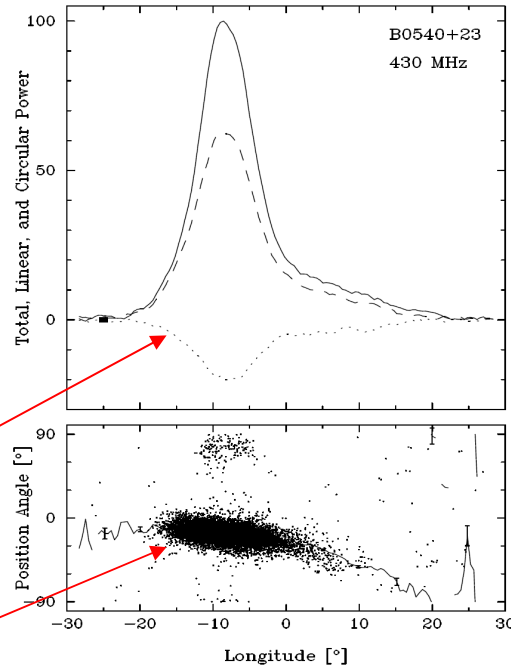
Corotation, light cylinder, polar cap



“Hollow cone” model

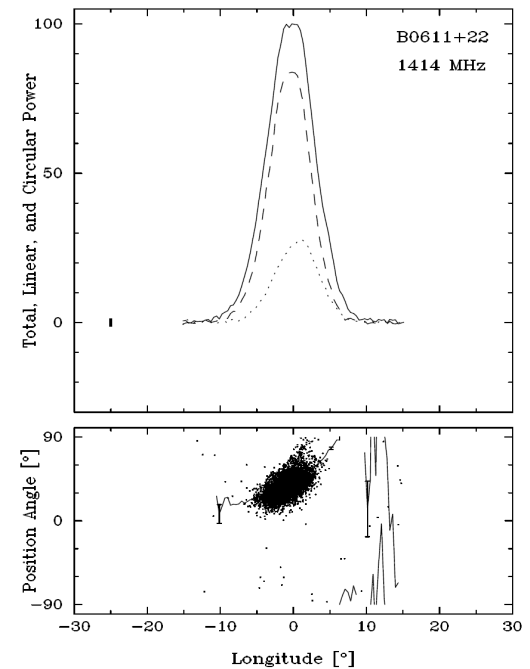
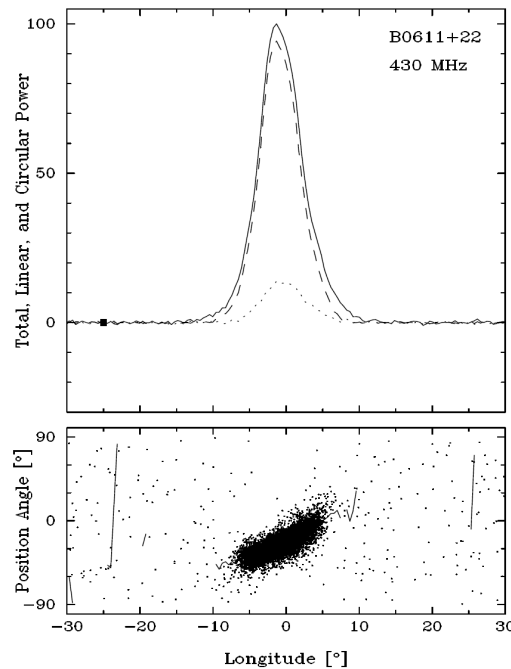


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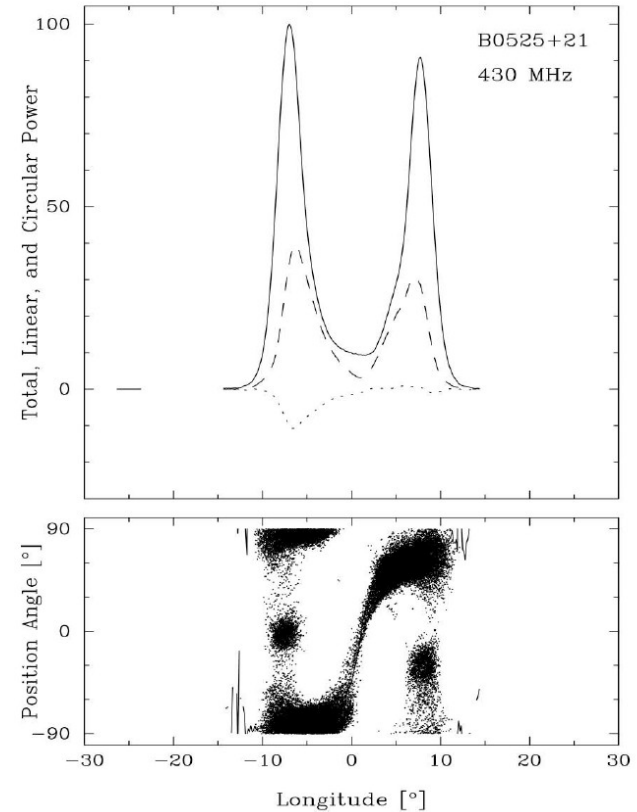
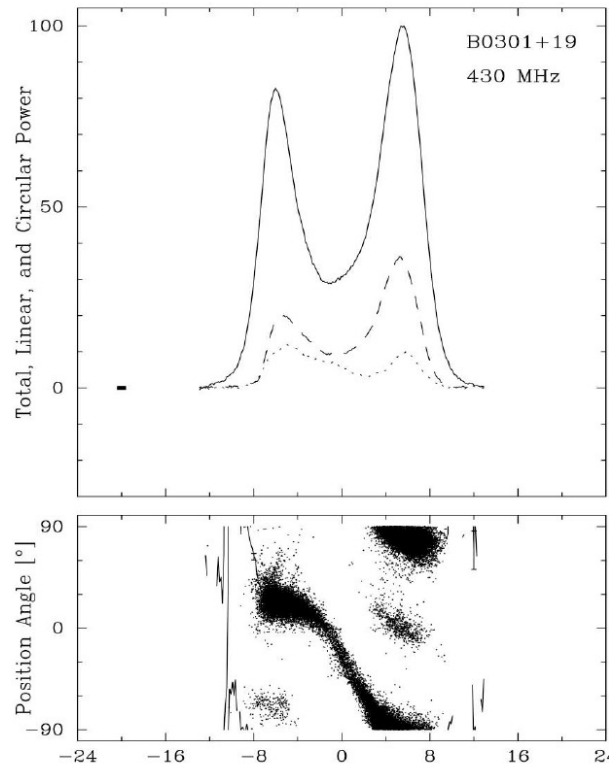
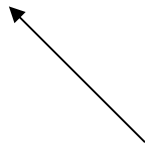
Single – both
up or down



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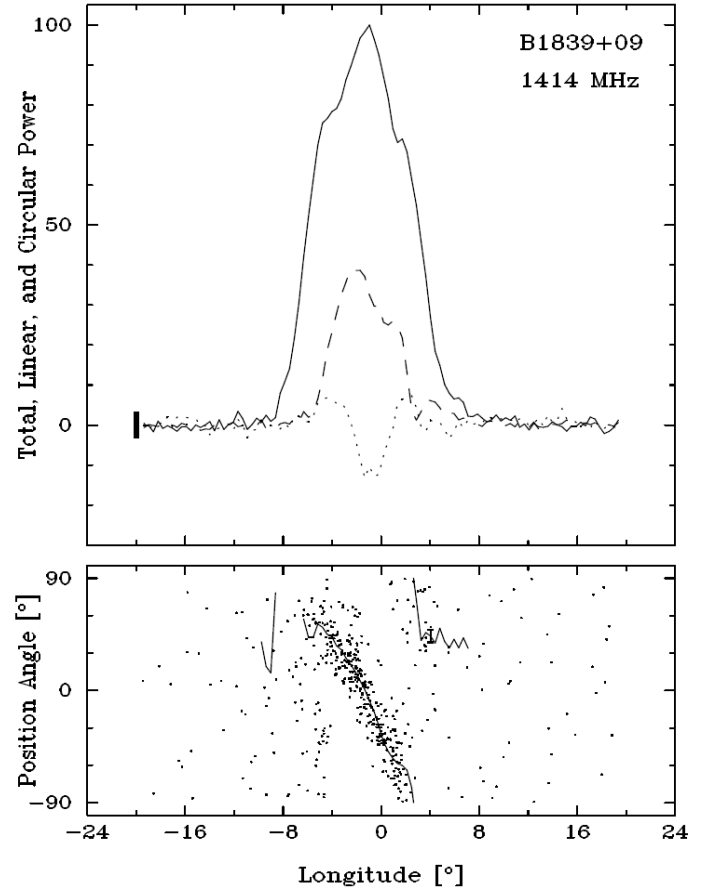
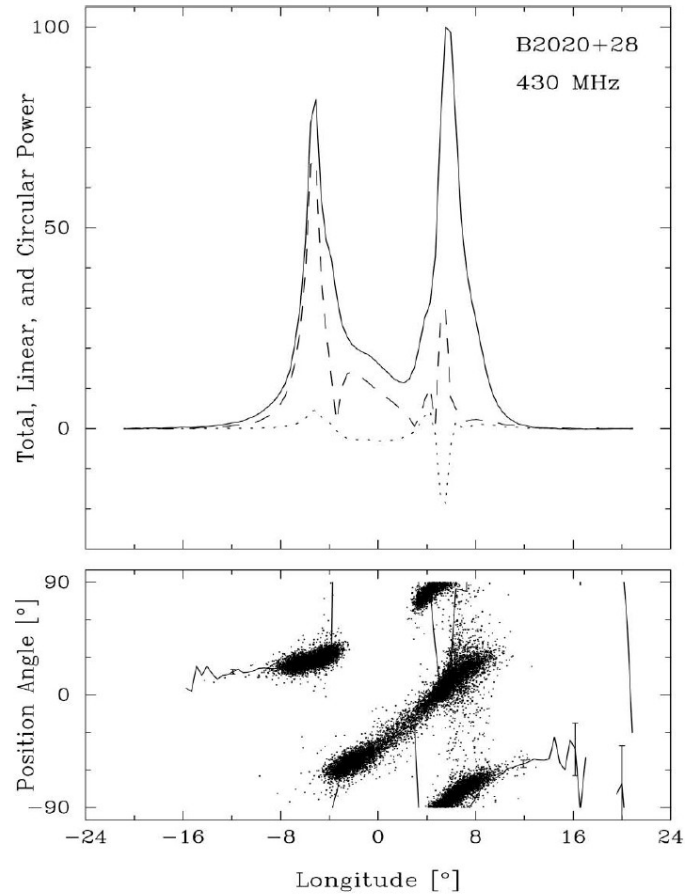
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Double – the
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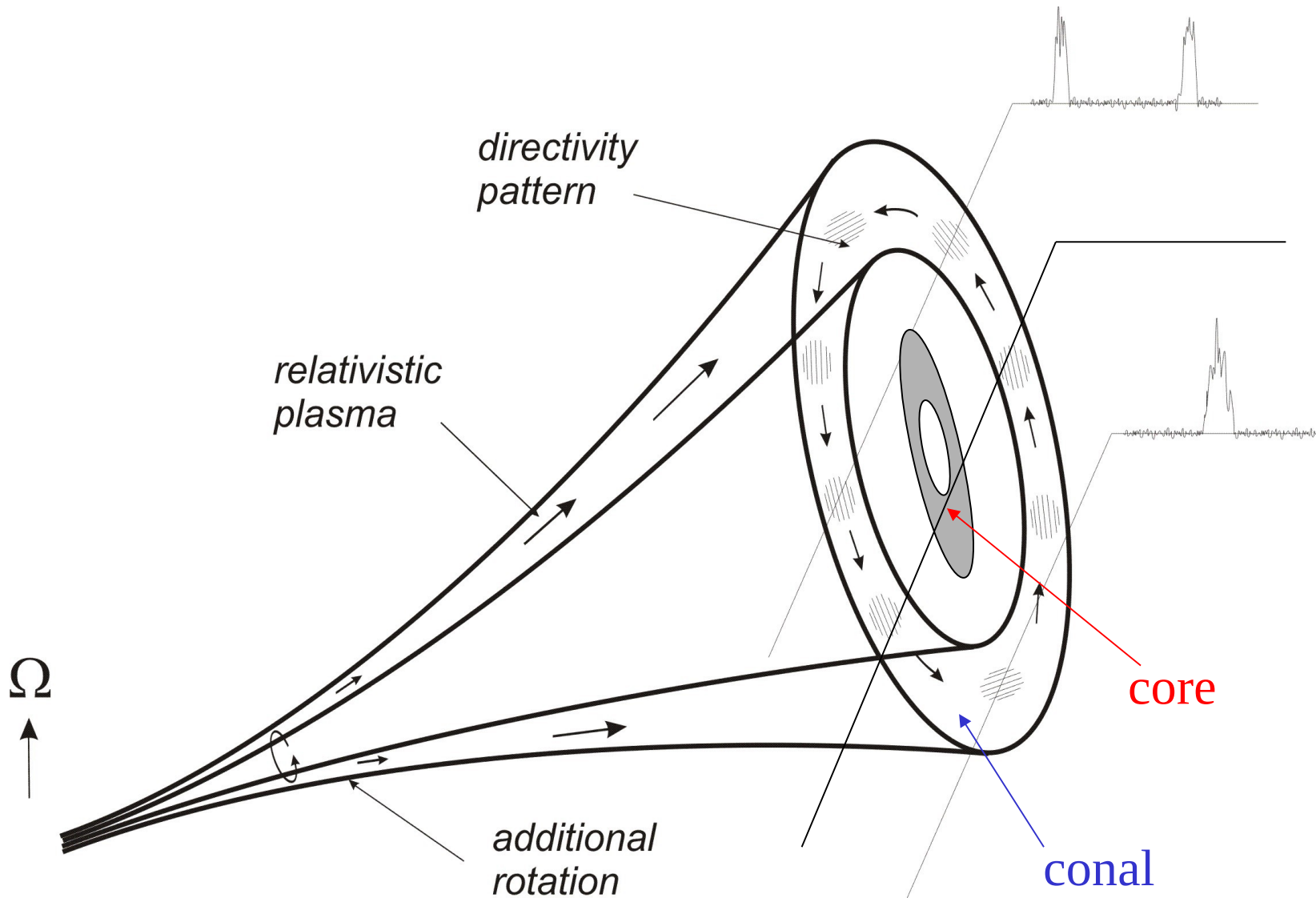


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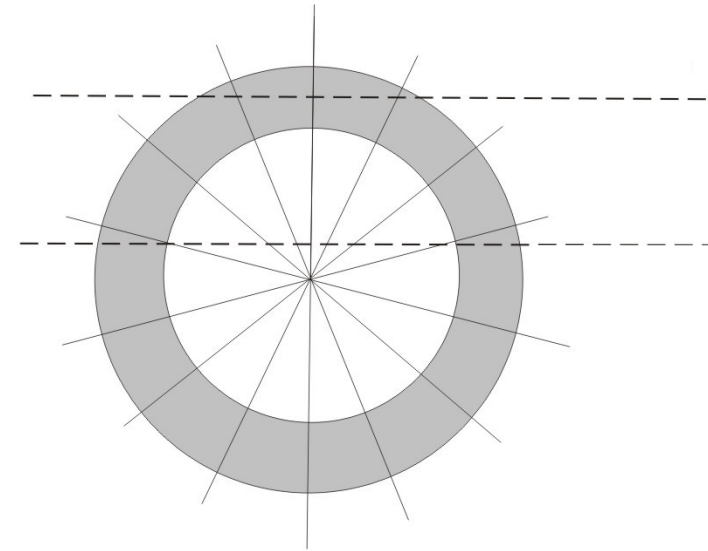
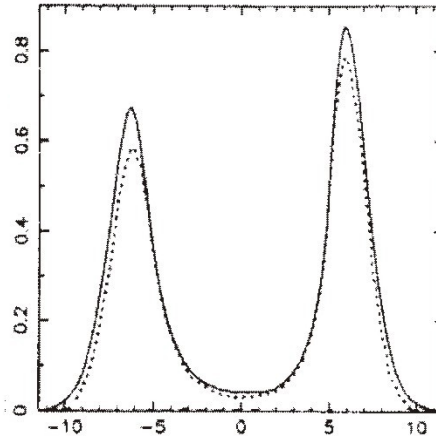
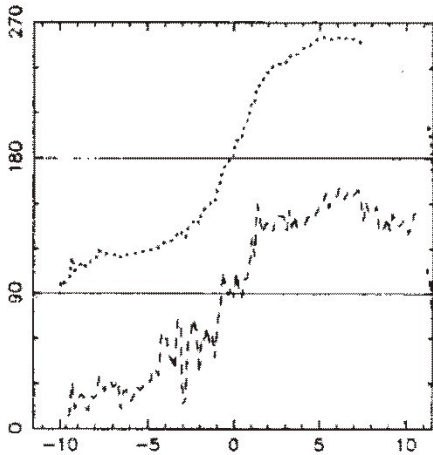
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“Core-conal” model



Correlation, orthogonal modes



Periphery passage

– single profiles, small change of the *p.a.*

Central passage

– double profiles, *p.a.* changes up to 180°.

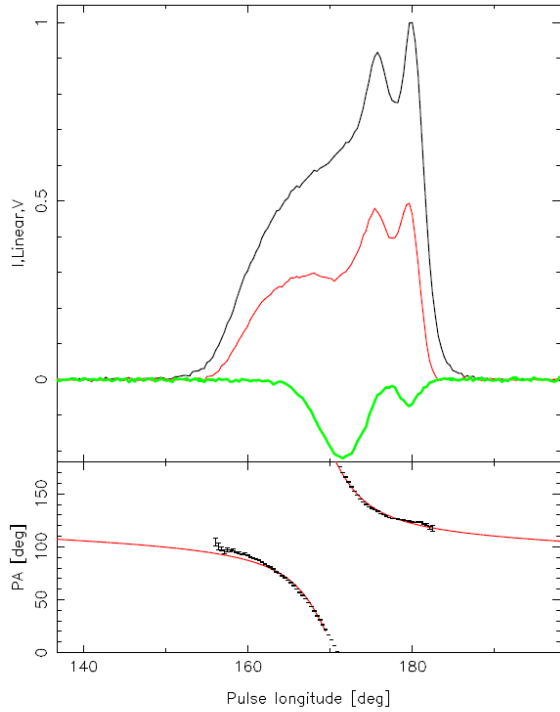
Position angle *p.a.*

Rotation Vector Model (RVM)

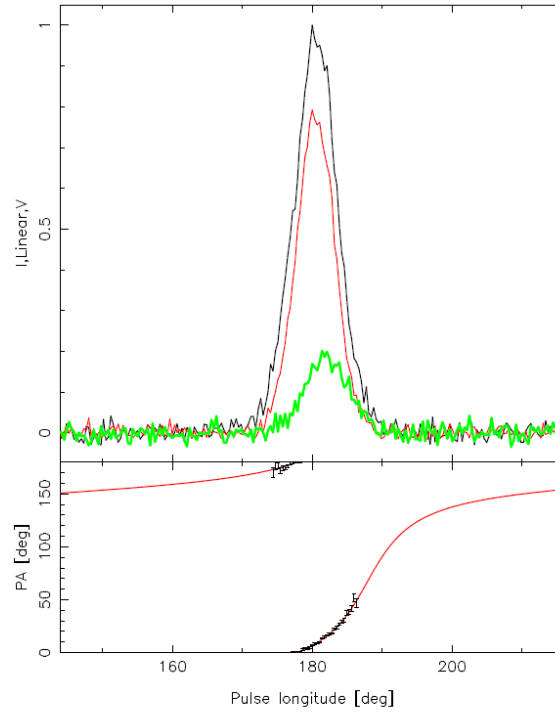
$$p.a. = \arctan \left(\frac{\sin \chi \sin \phi}{\sin \chi \cos \zeta \cos \phi - \sin \zeta \cos \chi} \right)$$

V. Radhakrishnan, D. J. Cooke. *Ap Lett.*, **3**, 225 (1969)

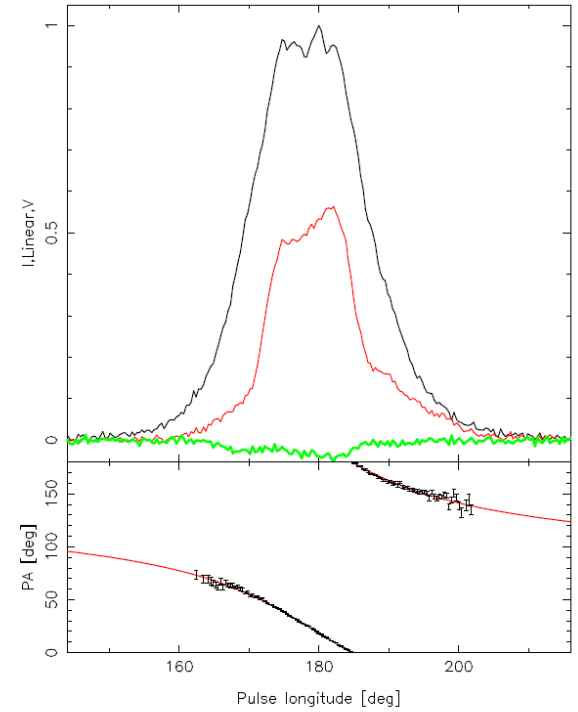
J0536-7543 20cm (1.1×10^{31})



J0614+2229 20cm (6.2×10^{34})



J0630-2834 20cm (1.5×10^{32})



P.Weltevrede, S.Johnston. MNRAS, **391**, 1210 (2008)

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- Radio emission – ????

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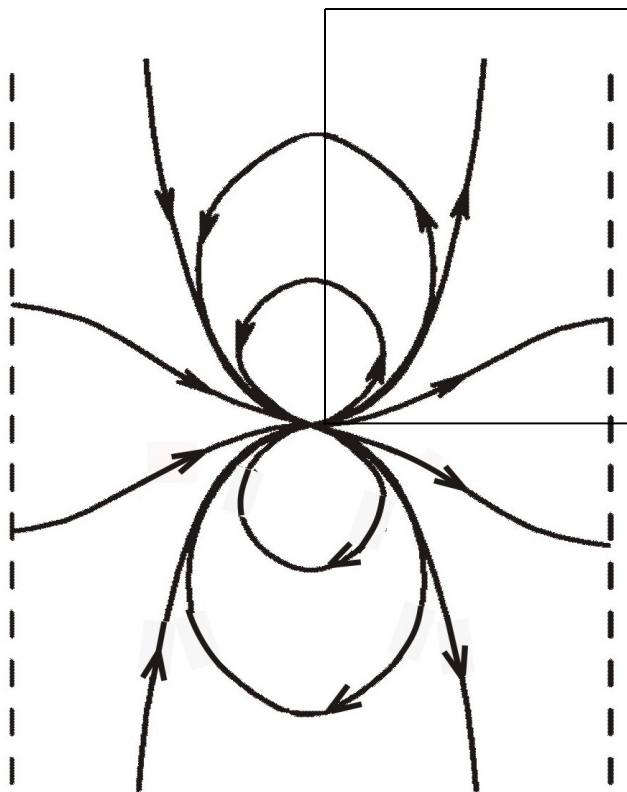
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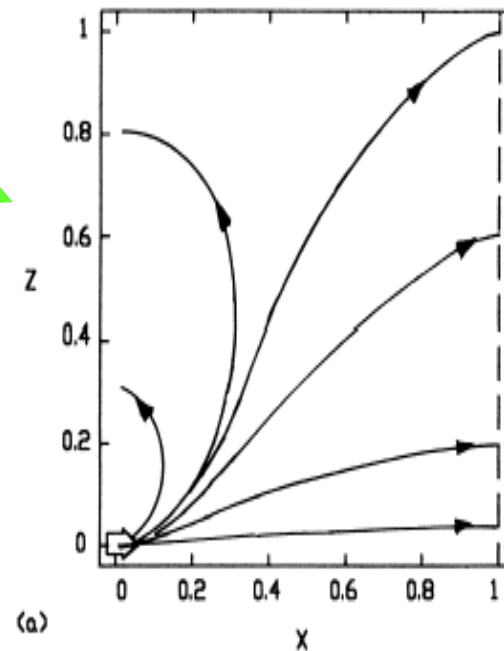
- Independent confirmation by L.Mestel, P.Panagi, S.Shibata.
MNRAS, **309**, 388 (1999)
- The absence of the $1/r$ alternative electromagnetic fields in
Spitkovsky incline solution

Orthogonal rotator, $I = 0$



$$\chi = 90^\circ$$

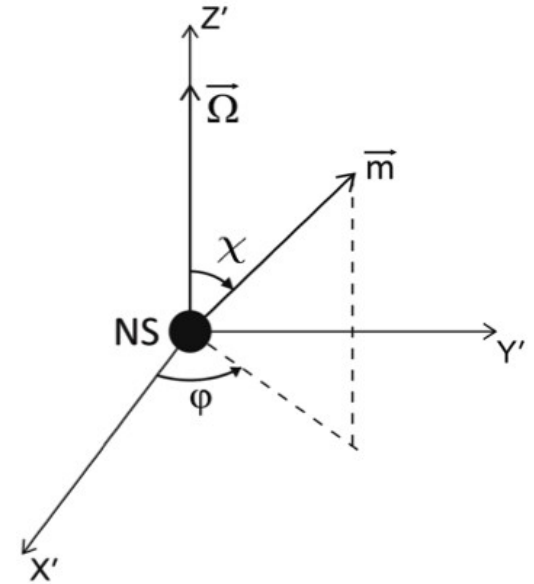
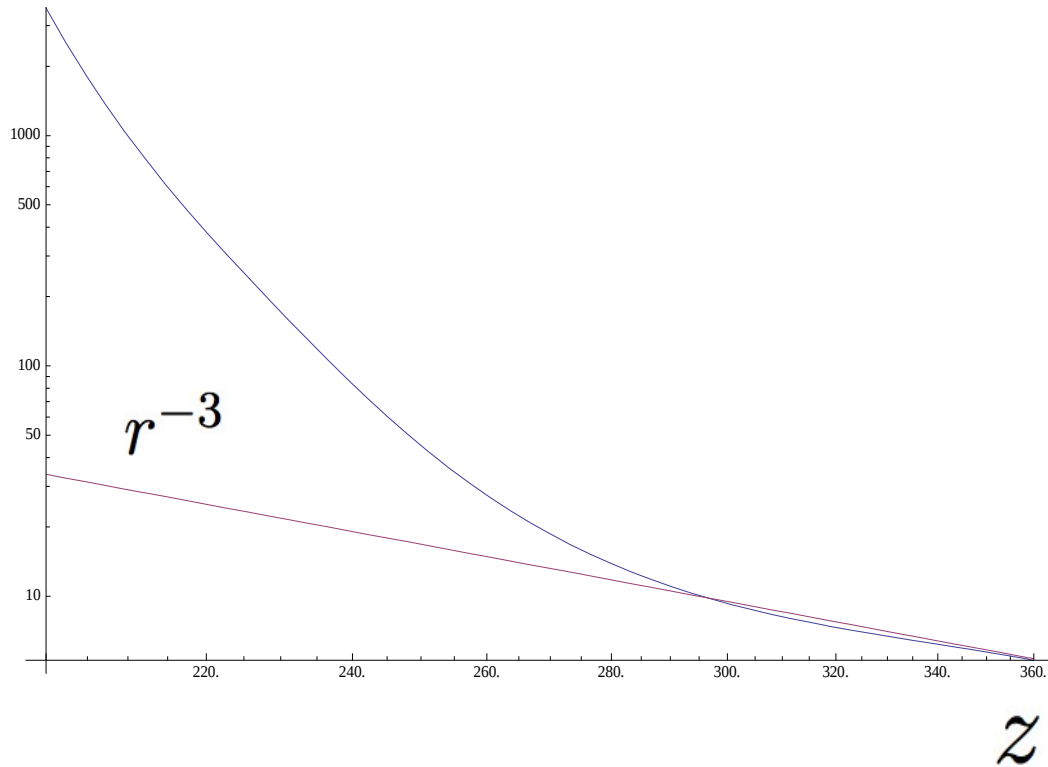
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Phys. JETP, **58**, 235 (1983)



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Spitkovsky solution, $\chi = 60$

B_x



In vacuum $B_x = \frac{\ddot{d}}{cr}$

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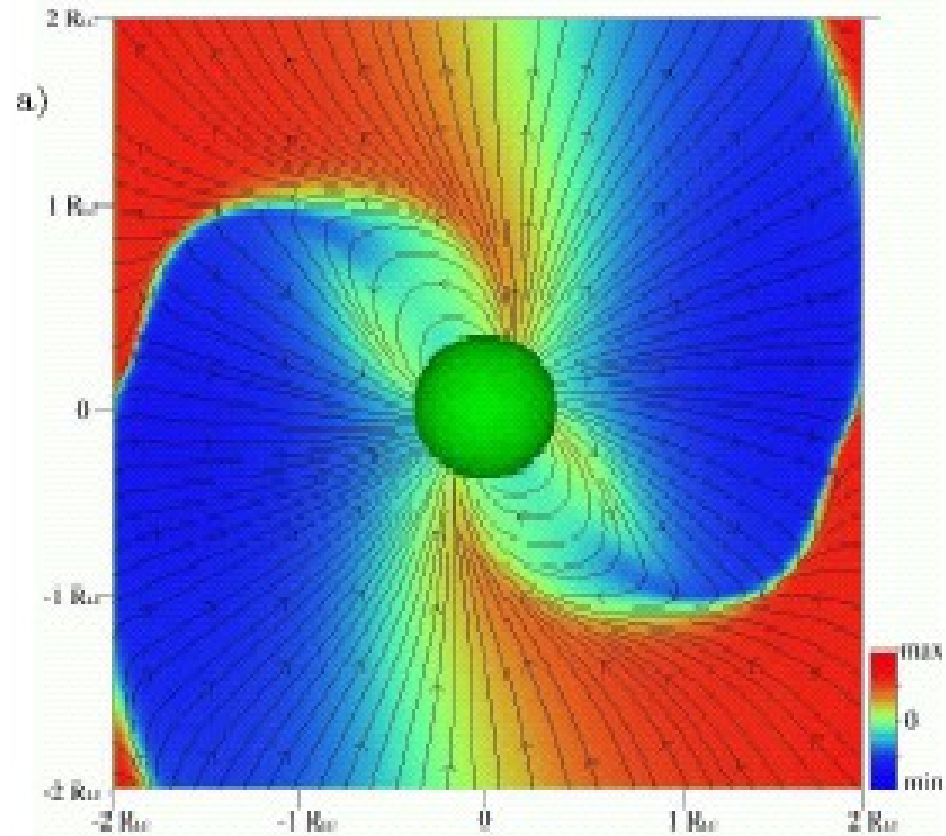
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Orthogonal rotator – energy loss

A. Spitkovsky, ApJ Lett., **648**, L51 (2006)

$$W_{\text{tot}} \approx \frac{1}{4} \frac{B_0^2 \Omega^4 R^6}{c^3} (1 + \sin^2 \chi)$$

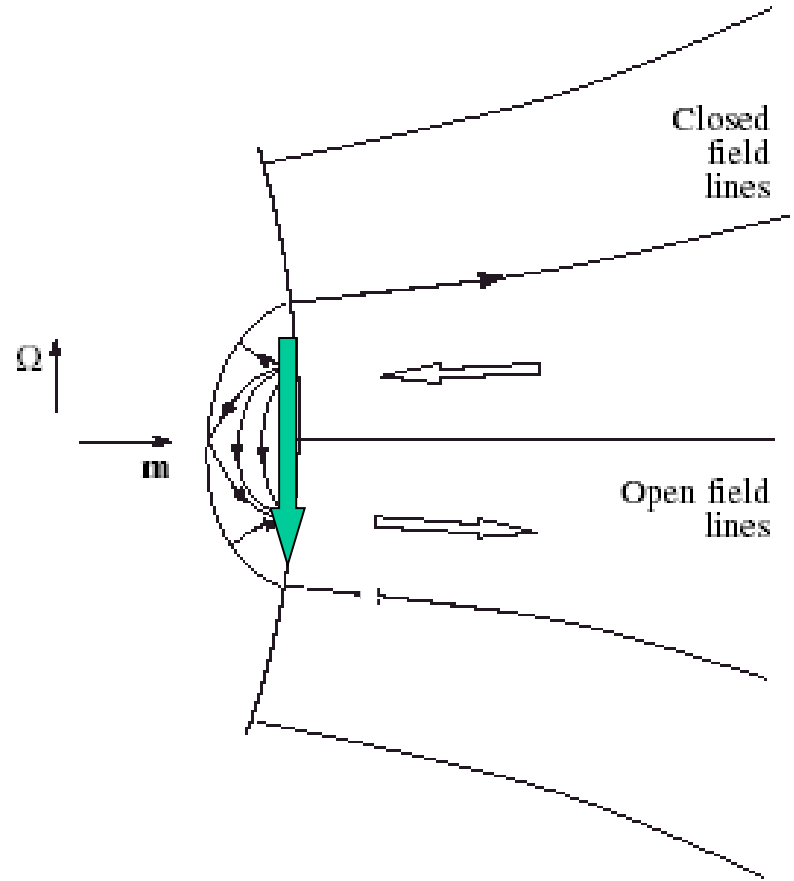


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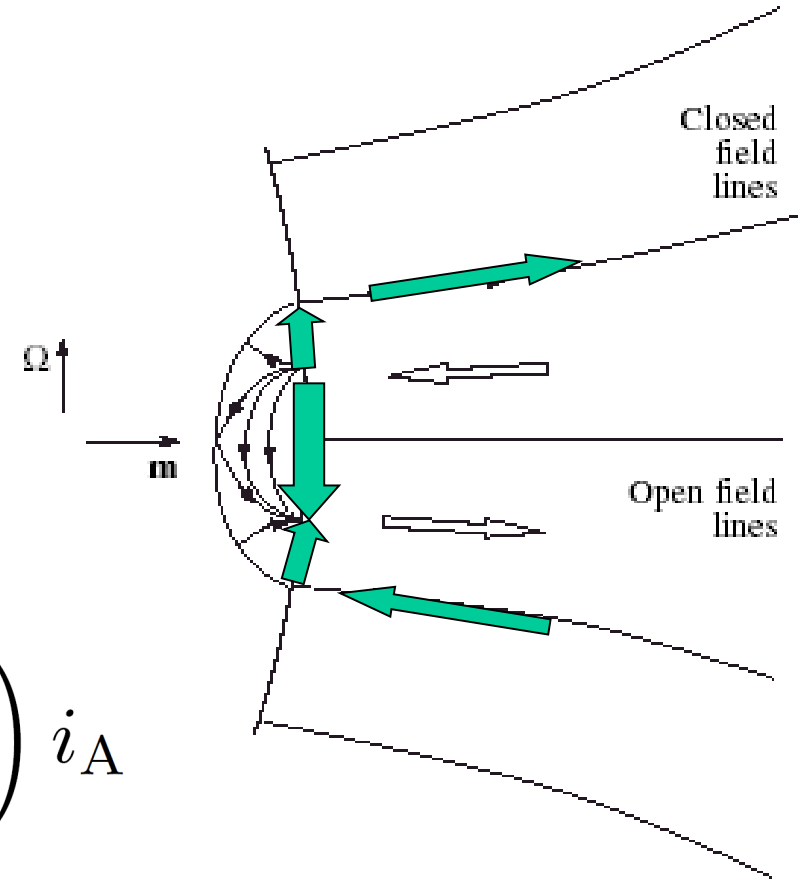
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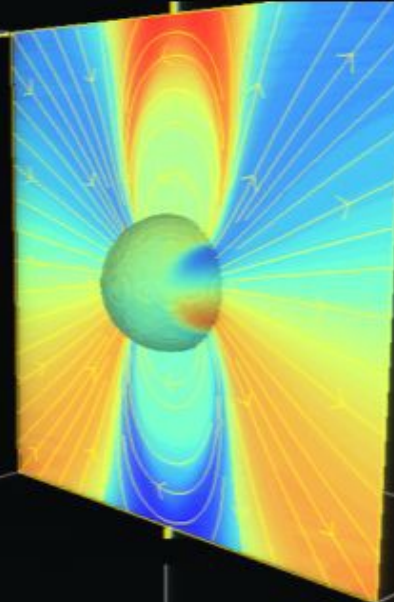
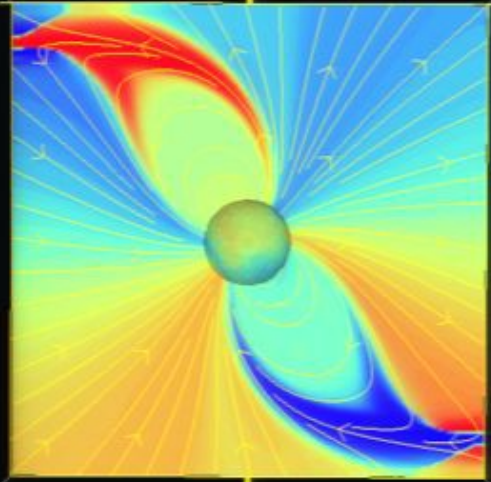
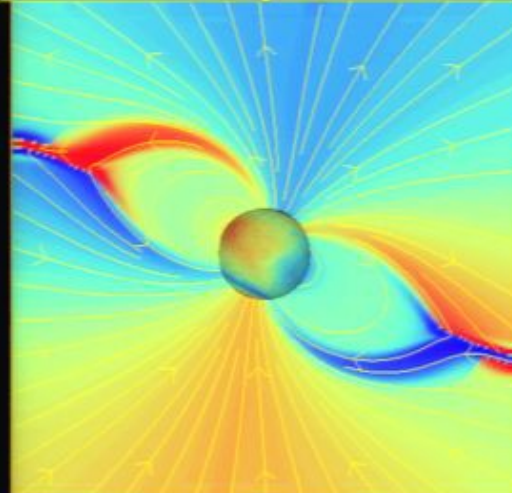
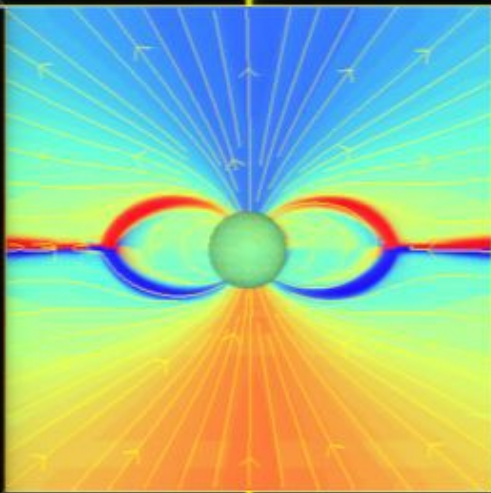
$$W_{\text{tot}} = c_{\perp} \frac{B_0^2 \Omega^4 R^6}{c^3} \left(\frac{\Omega R}{c} \right) i_A$$



No contradiction!

In Spitkovsky solution the electric current is larger than local GJ one ($i_A \gg 1$).

Magnetospheric currents



Oppositely flowing currents can occupy the same open flux tube. Does this have any observational implications?

There is always a null-current field line in the open zone.



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Determination of the current flowing in the magnetosphere

THE MAIN QUESTION UP TO NOW

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Radio Emission

Dielectric tensor in the inhomogeneous media

V.S.Beskin, A.V.Gurevich, Ya.N.Istomin (1988,1993)

In our theory we have included
into consideration the curvature
of magnetic field lines

$$\begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_{xx} & \varepsilon_{xz} \\ \varepsilon_{zx} & \varepsilon_{zz} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \delta_{ij} - 2\pi i \frac{R_c^{2/3}}{k_{\parallel}^{1/3}} \int dp_{\varphi} \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega} \frac{\partial f^{(0)}}{\partial p_{\varphi}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\mathcal{F}''(\zeta)}{(k_{\parallel} R_c)^{2/3}} & -i \frac{\mathcal{F}'(\zeta)}{(k_{\parallel} R_c)^{1/3}} \\ i \frac{\mathcal{F}'(\zeta)}{(k_{\parallel} R_c)^{1/3}} & \mathcal{F}(\zeta) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{F}(\zeta) = \text{Ai}(\zeta) + i\text{Gi}(\zeta) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} d\tau \exp\left(i\tau\zeta + i\frac{\tau^3}{3}\right)$$

$$\zeta = 2(\omega - k_{\parallel} v_{\varphi}) \frac{R_c^{2/3}}{k_{\parallel}^{1/3} v_{\varphi}}$$

Curvature Instability of Relativistic Particle Beams

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Let us notice that our non-WKB condition (14) is opposite to that found by Beskin, Gurevich, and Istomin⁷; we conclude that their computation of the dielectric tensor of a plasma in a strong curved magnetic field is wrong.

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The Models for Radio Emission from Pulsars – The Outstanding issues

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Another (reactive) form of curvature-drift induced instability was proposed by Beskin, Gurevich & Istomin (1993), who considered the limiting case $B \rightarrow \infty$. The curvature drift speed (4.1) vanishes in this limit, and the nature of this instability is unclear. It has been claimed that this instability is spurious (Nambu 1989; Machabeli 1991).

JONATHAN ARONS
University of California, Berkeley

Physics Today, May, (1995)

Finally, they present their theory of pulsar radio emission based on their calculations of the properties of small-amplitude waves in the out-flowing relativistic pair plasma. This theory is known to be incorrect; M. Nambu, G. Machabeli, and Q. Luo and D. B. Melrose have identified and published on several fatal flaws.

Comparative analysis of two formulations of geometrical optics. The effective dielectric tensor

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$$\varepsilon_{ij}^{(\text{eff})}(\mathbf{k}, \omega; \mathbf{r}, t) = \left[1 + \frac{i}{2} \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial k_i \partial x_i} - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \omega \partial t} \right) \right] \varepsilon_{ij}^{(0)}(\mathbf{k}, \omega; \mathbf{r}, t). \quad (\text{A.8})$$

The derivation of result (A.8) relies on the comparison between the symmetrized and non-symmetrized constitutive relation, in accordance with previous work for the case of a stationary medium [19–21], for which the third term on the right-hand side of (A.8) is absent. On the other hand, the same result can be obtained from using only the non-symmetrized constitutive relation along with either the consistency condition for the first-order geometrical optics approximation [1, 3], or the conservation of the wave energy [19]; the latter treatment being carried out for a stationary medium only.

The result (A.8) has caused some confusion and controversy in the literature [22, 23], which has apparently been the result of not appreciating the distinction between symmetrized and non-symmetrized constitutive relations, on the one hand, and between the effective dielectric tensor and the plane-wave dielectric tensor, on the other hand. More explicitly, in [22] and [23] only the symmetrized form of the constitutive relation is considered, with the consequence that the dielectric tensor inherent in those approaches is the effective dielectric tensor, defined in (A.5b). In particular, in contrast with the claim of [23], result (A.8), which requires the non-symmetrized form of the constitutive relation to be considered along with the corresponding symmetrized form, cannot be obtained on the basis of the sole symmetrized constitutive relation.

The issue of the effective dielectric tensor (for a stationary medium) has recently been reconsidered [24], with the conclusion that result (A.8) is recognized to be correct, thus refuting somehow the earlier analysis [22] by the same author. On the other hand, in [24] the proper significance of the plane-wave dielectric tensor $\varepsilon_{ij}^{(0)}$, entering (A.8), is not yet fully appreciated.

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But let's return ...

Theory of the Radio Emission

- Properties of the outgoing plasma

(consensus)

- Coherent mechanism

Base instability

Saturation (nonlinear effects)

(no common point of view)

- Propagation effects

(there was the missing link)

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Concentration of the electron-positron plasma

$$n = \lambda n_{\text{GJ}} \text{ (primary beam } n \sim n_{\text{GJ}})$$

Multiplicity parameter

$$\lambda \sim 10$$

Particle energy: beam – $\gamma \sim 10$, main flow

$$\gamma \sim 100$$

Ejection rate 10 pairs/s (Crab – 10 pairs/s)

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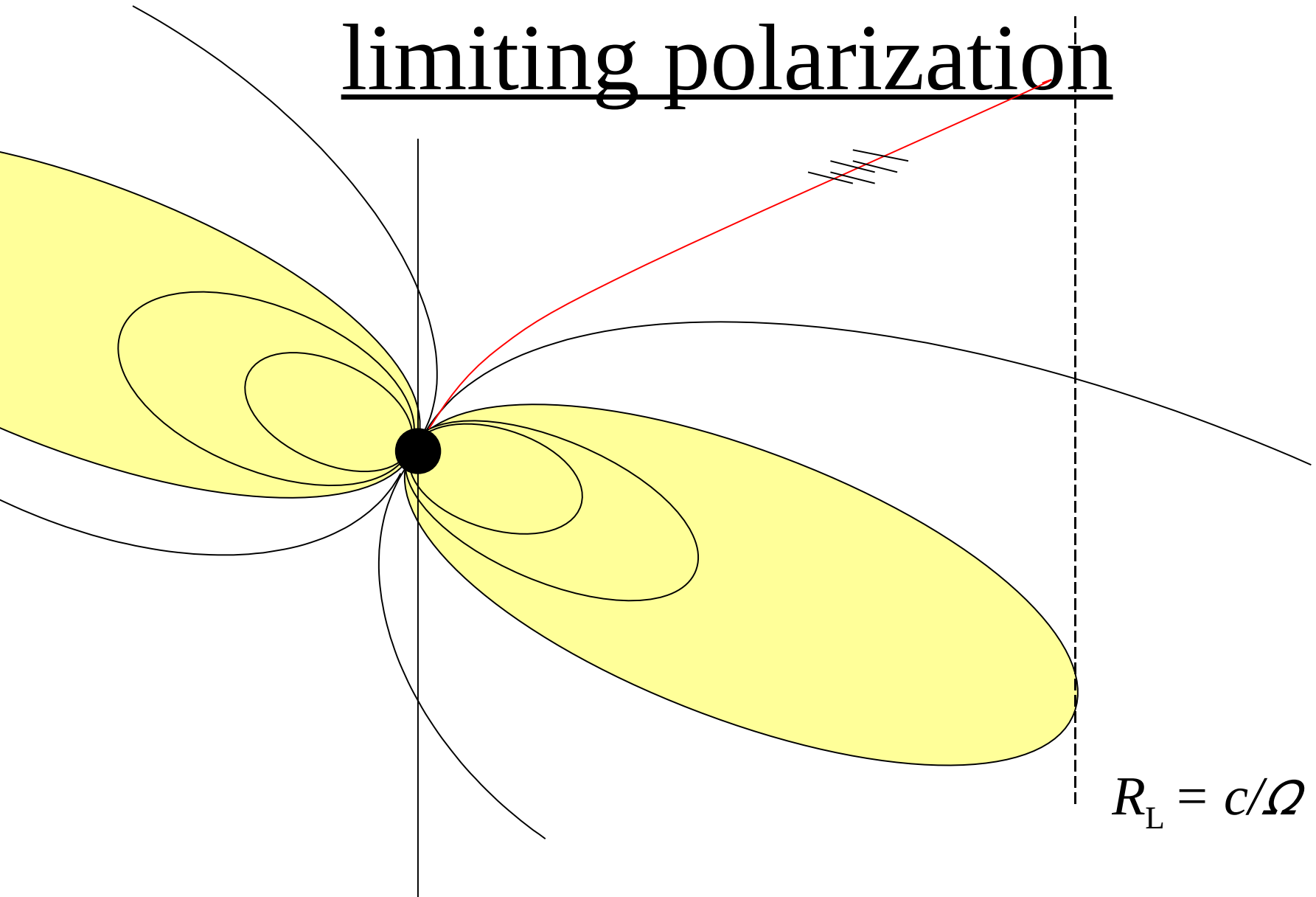
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All these points are incorrect

Refraction, cyclotron absorption, limiting polarization



Main parameters

$$\Delta n = -\frac{1}{2} \left\langle \frac{\omega_p^2 \omega_B^2}{\gamma^3 \varpi^2 (\omega_B^2 - \gamma^2 \varpi^2)} \right\rangle > \frac{\sqrt{q^2 + 1}}{q} \sin^2 \theta$$

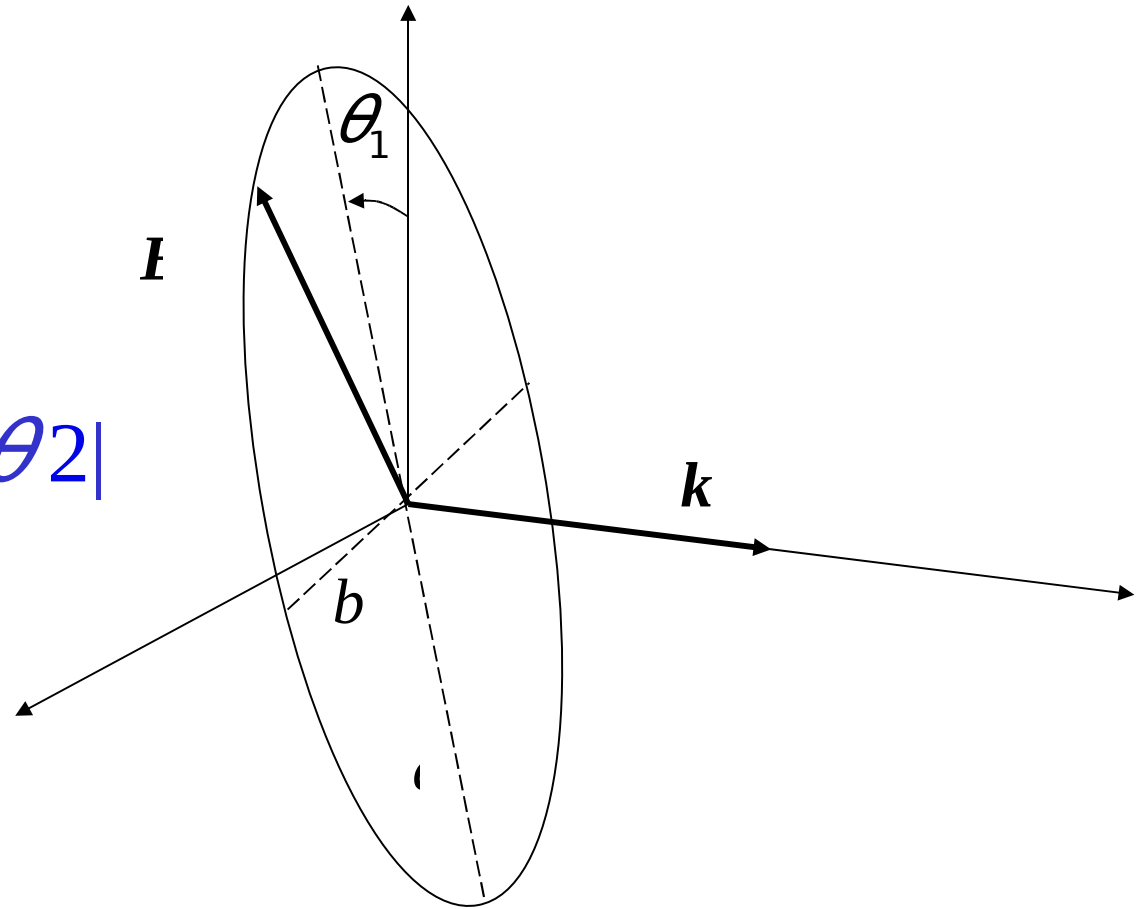
$$q = \frac{\omega_B \lambda \sin^2 \theta}{2\omega \gamma^3 (1 - \cos \theta v_{\parallel}/c)^2 (\cos \theta - v_{\parallel}/c)}$$

$$K_i^{-1} = i \frac{E_x}{E_y} = q \pm \sqrt{1 + q^2}$$

$q \gg 1$ ($K = 2q, 1/2q$) – linear polarization

$q \ll 1$ ($K = +1, -1$) – circular polarization

Polarization



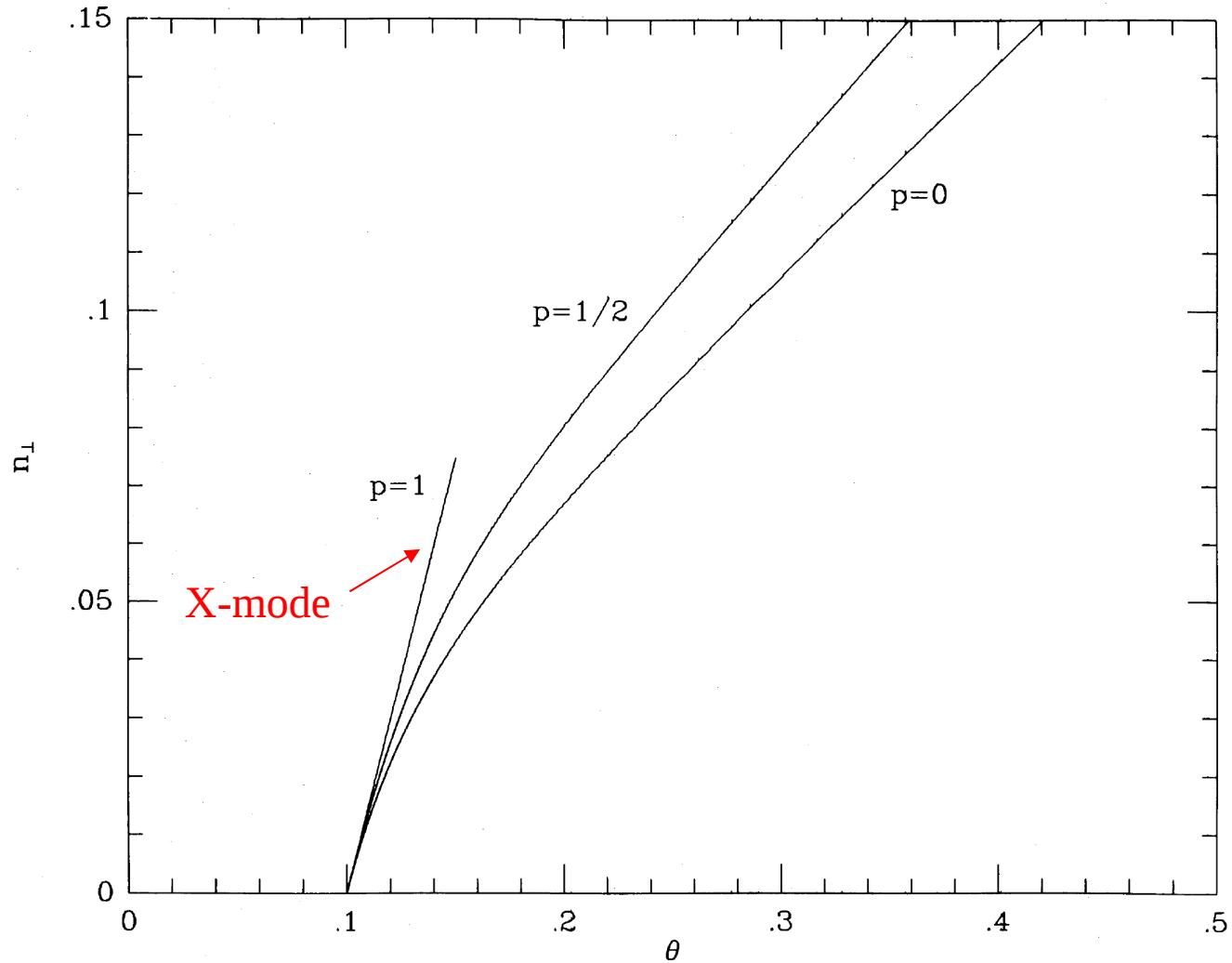
$$K = a/b = |\tanh 2\theta_2|$$

$$V = I \tanh 2\theta_2$$

Refraction

J.Arons, J.Barnard. ApJ, **302**, 120 (1986)

WAVE PROPAGATION IN PULSAR MAGNETOSPHERES



Four, not three waves!

V.S.Beskin, A.V.Gurevich, Ya.N.Istomin, ApSS. **146**, 205 (1988)

$$\varepsilon_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 - \langle \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2 \gamma^3} \rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

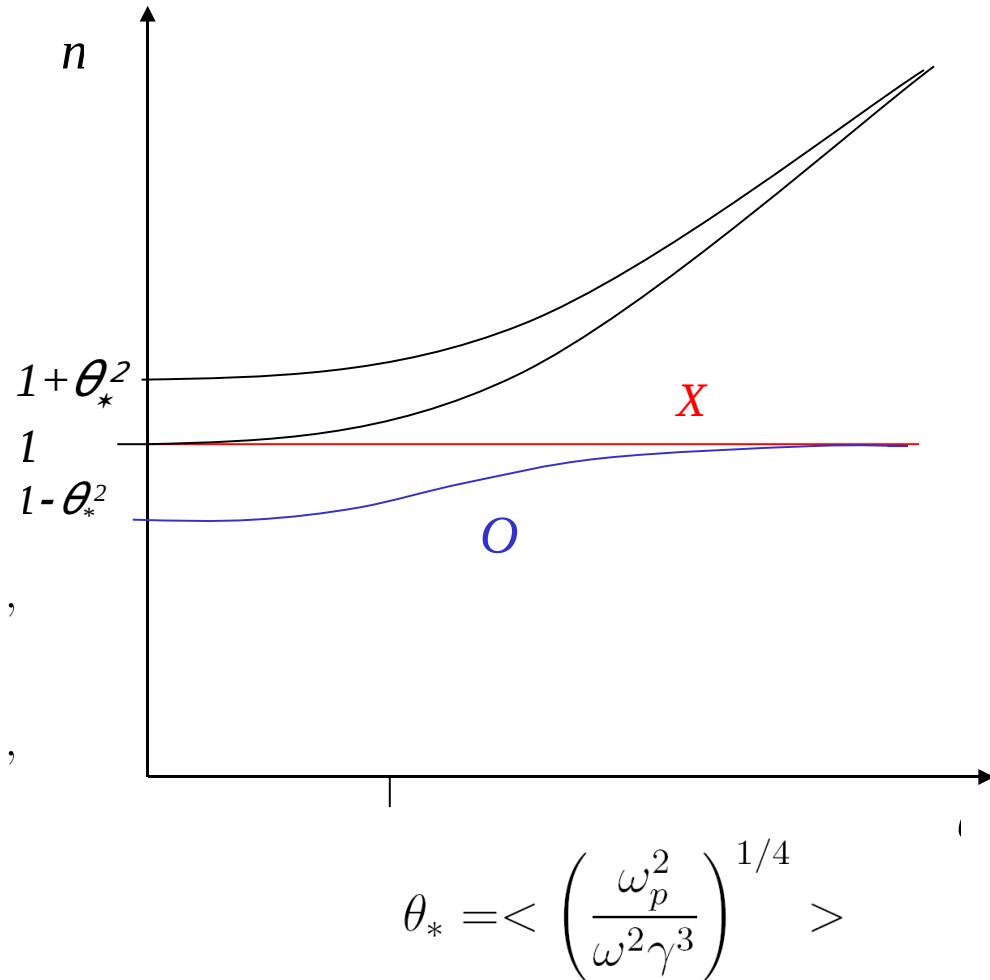
If $A_p = \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2} \langle \gamma \rangle \gg 1$

$$n_1 = 1,$$

$$n_2 = 1 + \frac{\theta^2}{4} - \left(\frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2} \langle \frac{1}{\gamma^3} \rangle + \frac{\theta^4}{16} \right)^{1/2},$$

$$n_3 = 1 + \frac{\theta^2}{4} + \left(\frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2} \langle \frac{1}{\gamma^3} \rangle + \frac{\theta^4}{16} \right)^{1/2},$$

$$n_4 = \frac{1}{\cos \theta}.$$



Propagation

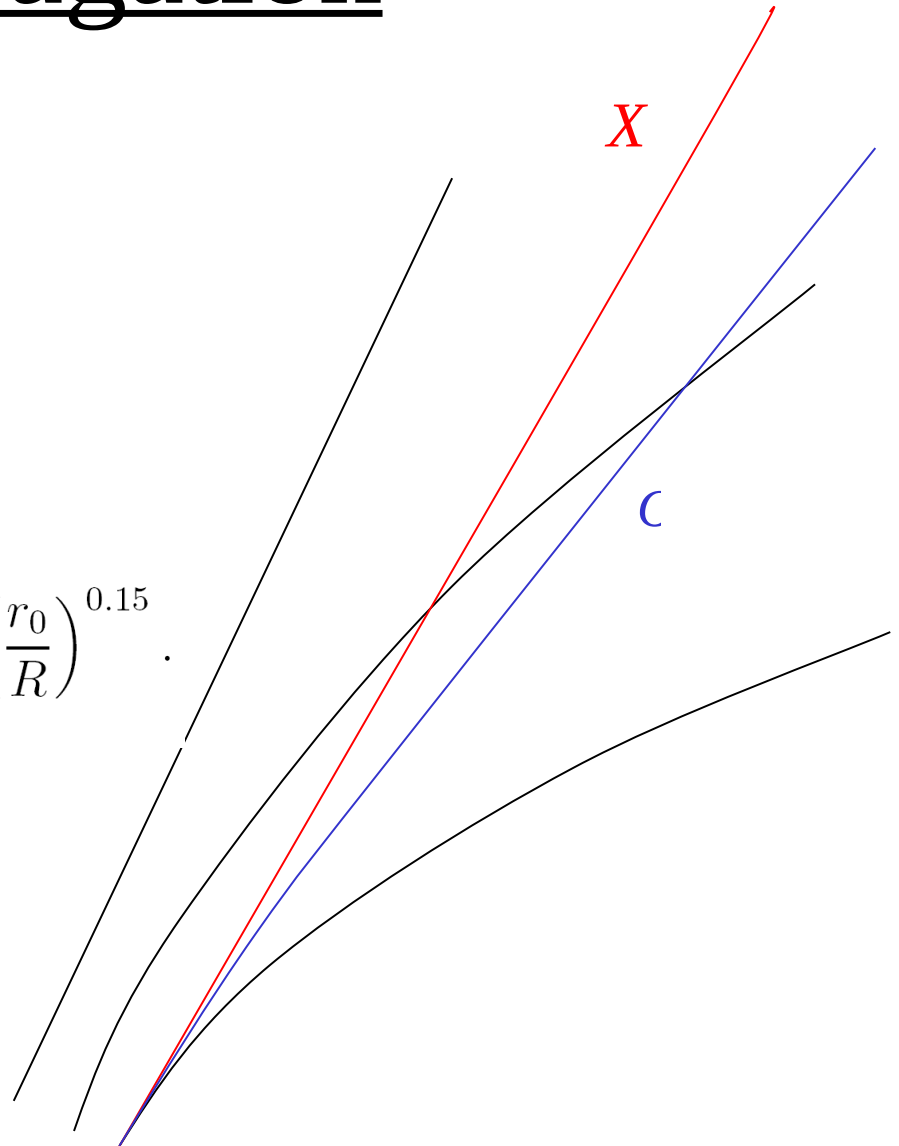
$$\frac{dr_{\perp}}{dl} = \frac{\partial}{\partial k_{\perp}} \left(\frac{k}{n_j} \right),$$

$$\frac{dk_{\perp}}{dl} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial r_{\perp}} \left(\frac{k}{n_j} \right)$$

$$W \approx \left(\frac{\Omega R}{c} \right)^{0.36} \left(\frac{\omega_{p0}}{\omega} \right)^{0.14} \langle \gamma^{-3} \rangle^{0.07} \left(\frac{r_0}{R} \right)^{0.15}.$$

On can know $r_0(\mathbf{v})$

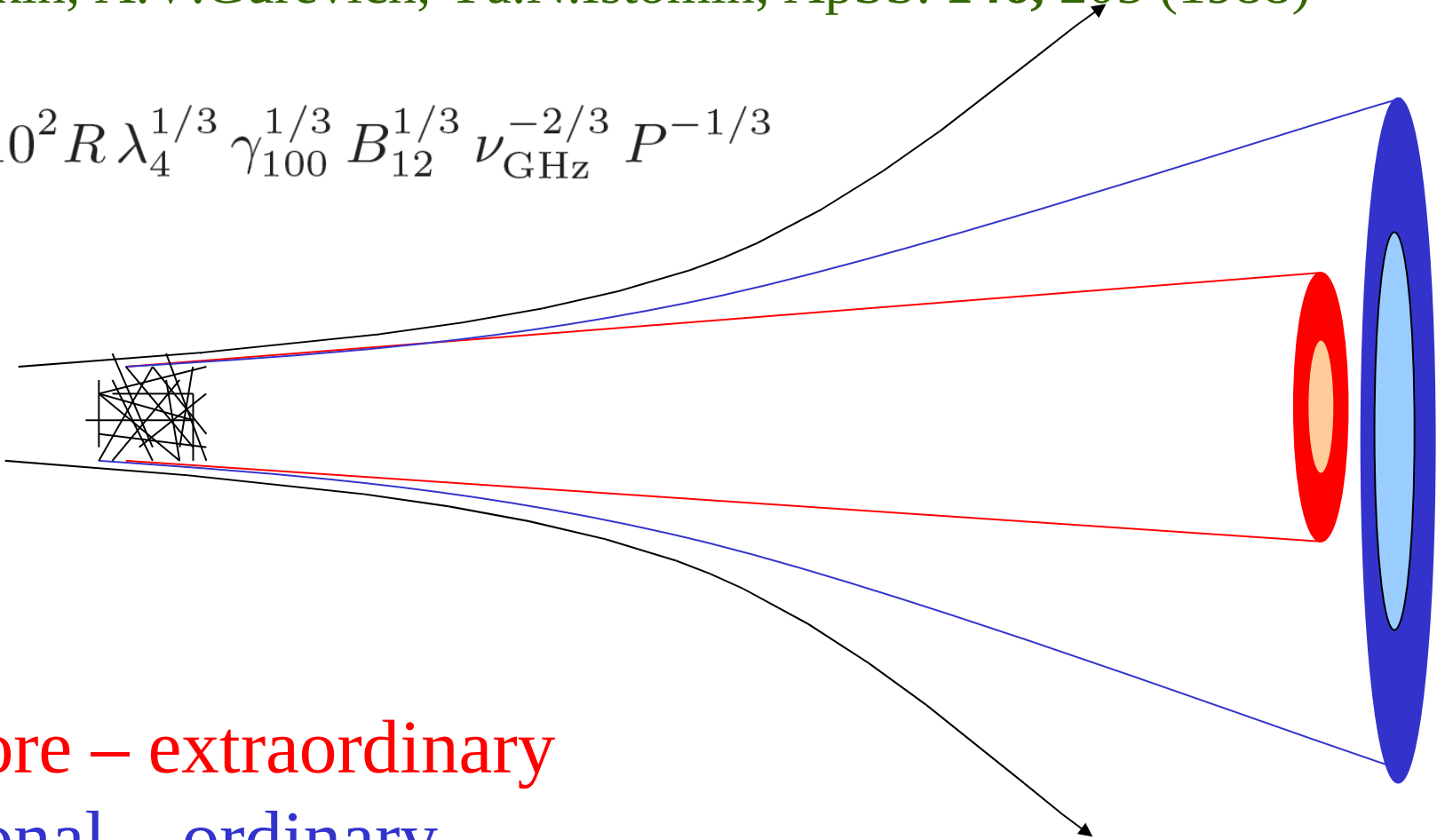
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Core & Conal

V.S.Beskin, A.V.Gurevich, Ya.N.Istomin, ApSS. **146**, 205 (1988)

$$r_A \approx 10^2 R \lambda_4^{1/3} \gamma_{100}^{1/3} B_{12}^{1/3} \nu_{\text{GHz}}^{-2/3} P^{-1/3}$$



Core – extraordinary

Conal – ordinary

Cyclotron absorption

A.B.Mikhailovsky, O.G.Onishchenko, G.I.Suramlishvli,
S.E.Sharapov. Sov. Astron. Lett., **8**, 685 (1982)

$$\varepsilon \approx 1 + \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2} \left\langle \frac{\varpi}{(\omega_B - \gamma\varpi)} \right\rangle$$

$$\text{Im } k \approx -\pi \frac{\omega_p^2}{2\omega c} \left\langle \varpi \delta(\omega_B - \gamma\varpi) \right\rangle$$

$$\kappa \approx \lambda(1 - \cos \theta_{\text{res}}) \frac{r_{\text{res}}}{R_L}$$

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If $\lambda \sim 10$, then cyclotron absorption is too large...

Limiting polarization

Escaping into vacuum, where $\Delta n = 0$, and, hence, the geometric optics approximation becomes invalid, the polarizations of normal modes do not follow the orientation of the magnetic field in the picture plane.

$$c/\omega \Delta n > r$$

Limiting polarization

- **Four equations** (four Stokes parameter)

V.N.Sazonov. Sov. Phys. JETP, **29**, 578 (1969)

S.A.Petrova, Yu.E.Lyubarskii. Astron. Ap., **355**, 1168 (2000)

A.E.Broderick, R.D.Blandford. ApJ, **718**, 1085 (2010)

Z.Wang, D.Lai, J.Han. MNRAS, **403**, 2 (2010)

R.V.Shcherbakov, L.Huang. MNRAS, **410**, 1052 (2011)

- **Budden equation**

V.V.Zheleznyakov. 1970, Radio Emission of the Sun and Planets, Pergamon, Oxford

- **Kravtsov-Orlov approach**

Yu.A.Kravtsov, Yu.I.Orlov. 1990, Geometrical Optics of Inhomogeneous Media, Springer, Berlin

Limiting polarization

Location of the region where the polarization of the outgoing radiation is formed

e.g., A.F.Cheng, M.A.Ruderman. ApJ, **229**, 348, (1979)

J.J.Barnard. Ap. J., **303**, 280 (1986)

Z.Wang, D.Lai, J.Han. MNRAS, **403**, 2 (2000)

$$r_{\text{esc}} \approx 10^3 R \lambda_4^{2/5} \gamma_{100}^{-6/5} B_{12}^{2/5} \nu_{\text{GHz}}^{-2/5} P^{-1/5}$$

$$q \sim 10-100,$$

$$K \sim 1-10 \%$$

Limiting polarization

- Yu. A.Kravtsov, Yu.I.Orlov (1980)

$$\varepsilon_{ij} = \varepsilon\delta_{ij} + \chi_{ij}$$

$$\frac{d\Theta}{d\sigma} = \kappa + \frac{i\omega}{4c} [(\chi_{bv} - \chi_{vb}) + (\chi_{bv} + \chi_{vb}) \cos 2\Theta - (\chi_{vv} - \chi_{bb}) \sin 2\Theta]$$

$$\Theta = \theta_1 + i\theta_2$$

$$\frac{d\theta_1}{dr} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\omega}{c} \frac{\Delta n}{\sqrt{q^2 + 1}} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\omega}{c} \cos[2\theta_1 - 2\beta(r)] \frac{\Delta n q}{\sqrt{q^2 + 1}} \text{sh} 2\theta_2,$$

$$\frac{d\theta_2}{dr} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\omega}{c} \frac{\Delta n q}{\sqrt{q^2 + 1}} \sin[2\theta_1 - 2\beta(r)] \text{ch} 2\theta_2.$$

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Gives the direct information about the polarization of outgoing radiation

$$\theta_1 = \beta, \quad \beta + \pi/2,$$
$$\operatorname{sh} 2\theta_2 = \pm \frac{1}{q}, \quad |\operatorname{th} \theta_2| = K.$$

Limiting polarization

- Yu. A. Kravtsov, Yu. I. Orlov

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Ordinary wave – $\theta_1 = \beta(r)$

Extraordinary wave – $\theta_1 = \beta(r) + \pi/2$

Limiting polarization

- Yu. A. Kravtsov, Yu. I. Orlov

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If the shear of the magnetic field is large, and $\omega B > \gamma \omega$

$$\theta_2 \approx -\frac{1}{2|q|} \cdot \frac{d\beta/dx}{|v_{\parallel}/c - \cos \theta|} \cos[2\theta_1 - 2\beta(r)], \quad x = \Omega r / c$$

The sign of the circular polarization is determined by $d\beta/dx$

Limiting polarization

- Yu. A. Kravtsov, Yu. I. Orlov

The Key point

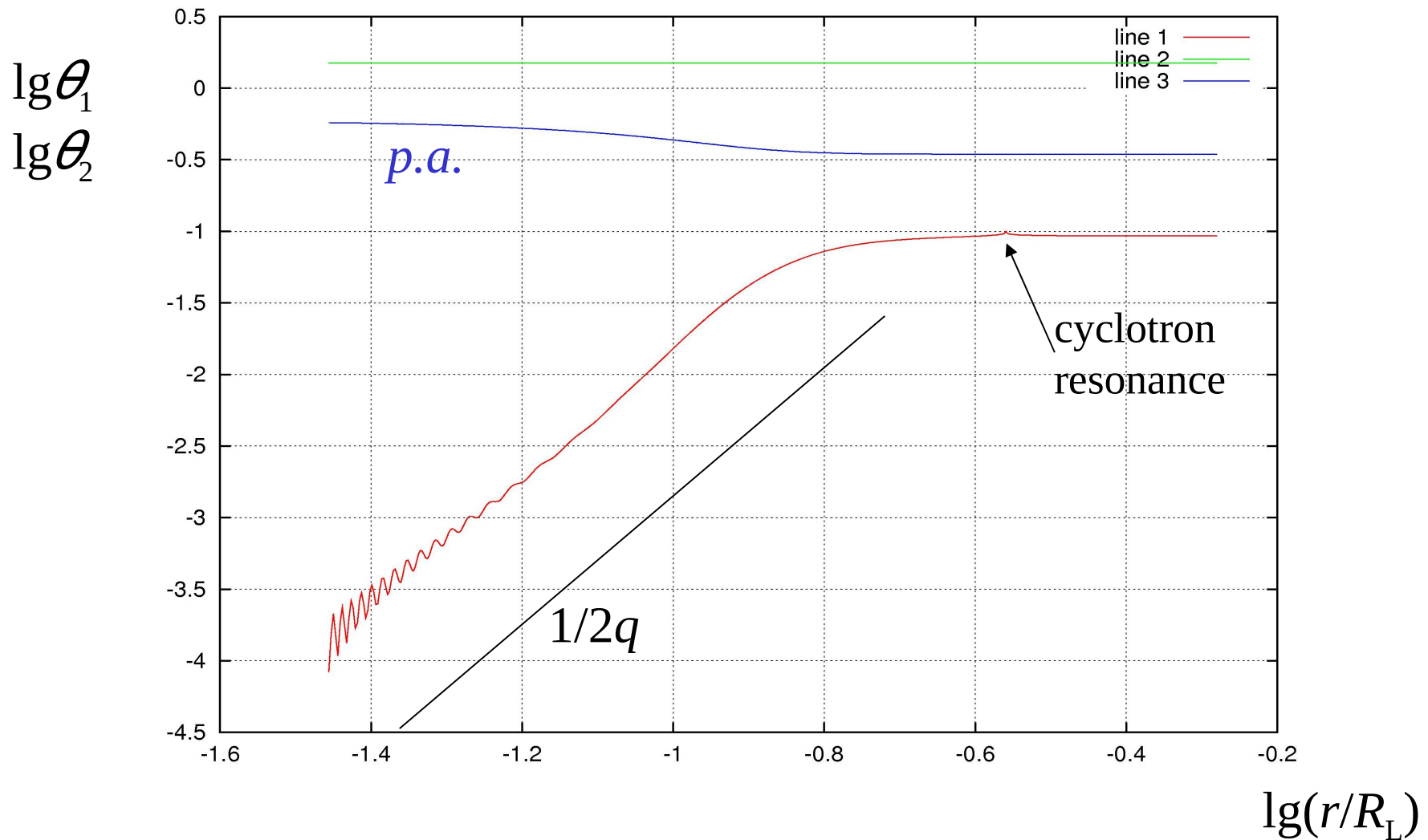


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The sign of the circular polarization is determined by $d\beta/dx$

$P = 1.5 \text{ s}$, $B_0 = 0.6 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ G}$, $\nu = 1 \text{ GHz}$,
 $r_0 = 10R$, $\gamma = 100$, $\lambda = 5 \cdot 10^3$, $\chi = 45^\circ$, $\xi = 47^\circ$, $r_{in} = 0.5$



Two main theoretical results

- For originally fully polarized mode it is enough to solve TWO equations, not FOUR.
- For high enough shear of the external magnetic field the circular polarization is given by well-determined diagonal components of the dielectric tensor.
- As a result, we can recognize the mode!

Main result

- For ordinary wave (**conal**) the signs $dp.a./d\phi$ and V are to be opposite, and for the extraordinary wave (**core**) are to be the same.
- This property depends neither on the sign Ωm , nor on the pole of the neutron star.

Core & Conal

Profile	O _S	O _D	X _S	X _D
Number	6	23	45	6
\sqrt{PW}_{50}	6.8 ± 3.1	10.7 ± 4.5	6.5 ± 2.9	5.3 ± 3.0

P.Weltevrede, S.Johnston. MNRAS, **391**, 1210 (2008)

T.Hankins, J.Rankin. Astron. J., **139**, 168 (2010)

First step

A.S.Andrianov, V.S.Beskin. *Astron. Lett.* **36**, 248 (2010)

- Simple model of the dielectric tensor
- Simple model of magnetic field
- No refraction
- No electric drift

At present

We include into consideration

- The electric drift
- Arbitrary magnetic field structure
- Arbitrary number density cross section
- Arbitrary particle energy distribution function

Equations – no drift

$$\frac{d\theta_1}{dr} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\omega}{c} \frac{\Delta n}{\sqrt{q^2 + 1}} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\omega}{c} \cos[2\theta_1 - 2\beta(r)] \frac{\Delta n q}{\sqrt{q^2 + 1}} \text{sh}2\theta_2,$$
$$\frac{d\theta_2}{dr} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\omega}{c} \frac{\Delta n q}{\sqrt{q^2 + 1}} \sin[2\theta_1 - 2\beta(r)] \text{ch}2\theta_2.$$

Equations with drift

$$\frac{d\Theta_1}{dl} = \frac{\omega}{2c} \text{Im}[\varepsilon_{x'y'}] - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\omega}{c} \Lambda \cos[2\Theta_1 - 2\beta(l) - 2\delta(l)] \sinh 2\Theta_2,$$

$$\frac{d\Theta_2}{dl} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\omega}{c} \Lambda \sin[2\Theta_1 - 2\beta(l) - 2\delta(l)] \cosh 2\Theta_2.$$

$$\Lambda = \mp \sqrt{(\text{Re}[\varepsilon_{x'y'}])^2 + \left(\frac{\varepsilon_{x'x'} - \varepsilon_{y'y'}}{2}\right)^2}$$

$$\tan(2\delta) = -\frac{2\text{Re}[\varepsilon_{x'y'}]}{\varepsilon_{y'y'} - \varepsilon_{x'x'}}$$

Dielectric tensor – no drift

$$\varepsilon_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \left\langle \frac{\omega_p^2 \varpi^2 \gamma}{\omega^2 (\omega_B^2 - \gamma^2 \varpi^2)} \right\rangle & i \left\langle \frac{\omega_p^2 \omega_B \varpi}{\omega^2 (\omega_B^2 - \gamma^2 \varpi^2)} \right\rangle & \left\langle \frac{\omega_p^2 \gamma k_x v_{\parallel} \varpi}{\omega^2 (\omega_B^2 - \gamma^2 \varpi^2)} \right\rangle \\ -i \left\langle \frac{\omega_p^2 \omega_B \varpi}{\omega^2 (\omega_B^2 - \gamma^2 \varpi^2)} \right\rangle & 1 + \left\langle \frac{\omega_p^2 \varpi^2 \gamma}{\omega^2 (\omega_B^2 - \gamma^2 \varpi^2)} \right\rangle & -i \left\langle \frac{\omega_p^2 \omega_B k_x v_{\parallel}}{\omega^2 (\omega_B^2 - \gamma^2 \varpi^2)} \right\rangle \\ \left\langle \frac{\omega_p^2 \gamma k_x v_{\parallel} \varpi}{\omega^2 (\omega_B^2 - \gamma^2 \varpi^2)} \right\rangle & i \left\langle \frac{\omega_p^2 \omega_B k_x v_{\parallel}}{\omega^2 (\omega_B^2 - \gamma^2 \varpi^2)} \right\rangle & 1 - \left\langle \frac{\omega_p^2}{\varpi^2 \gamma^3} \right\rangle + \left\langle \frac{\omega_p^2 \gamma k_x^2 v_{\parallel}^2}{\omega^2 (\omega_B^2 - \gamma^2 \varpi^2)} \right\rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\varpi = \omega - k_x v_{\parallel}$$

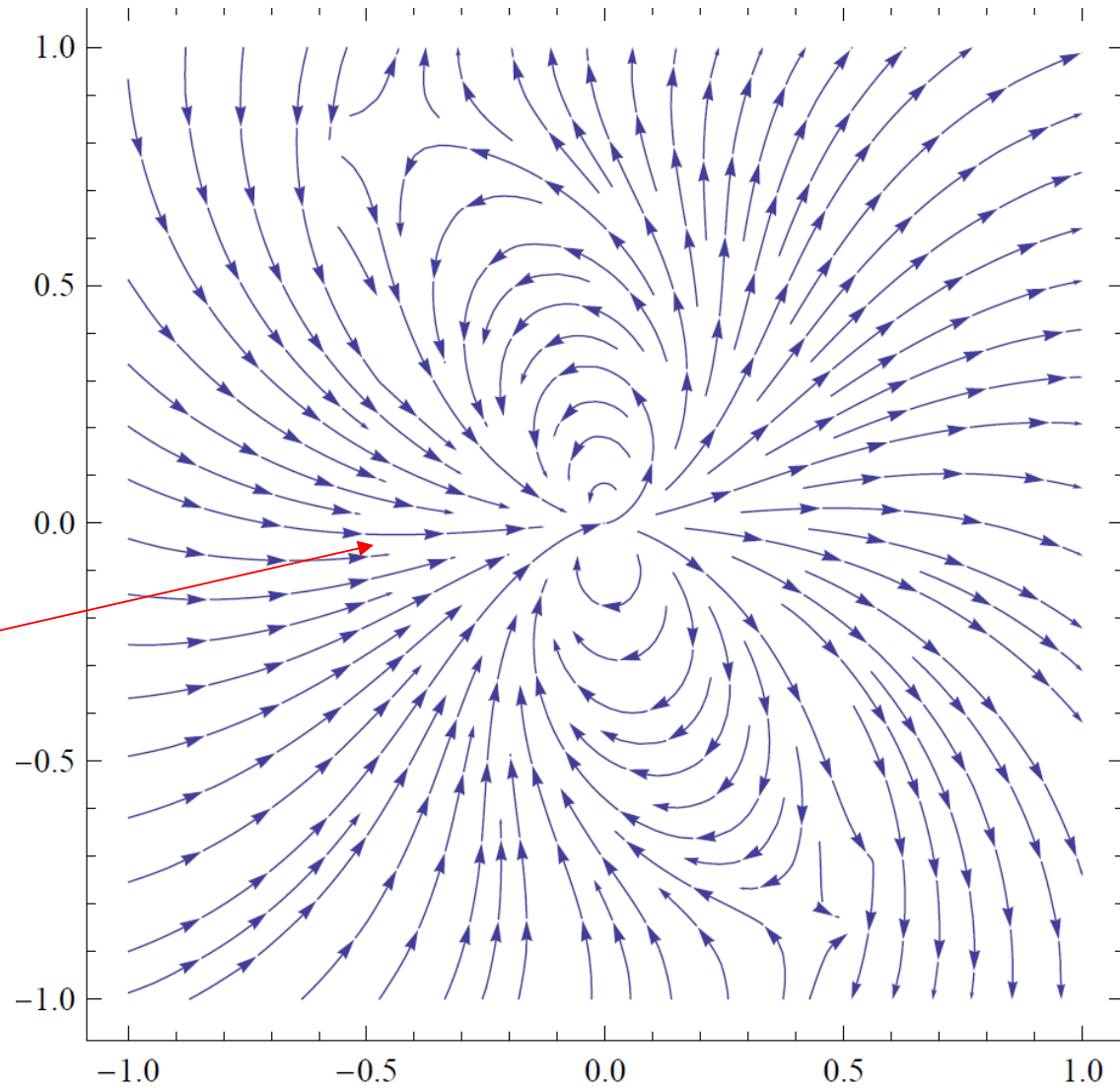
Dielectric tensor with drift

$$\begin{aligned}
 \varepsilon_{xx} &= 1 - \left\langle \frac{k_z^2 U_x^2 \omega_p^2}{\tilde{\omega}^2 \gamma^3 \omega^2 (1 - U^2/c^2)} \right\rangle + \left\langle \frac{\omega_p^2 (\tilde{\omega}_0^2 + \frac{U_x^2}{c^2} (\frac{k_z v_{\parallel}}{1 - U^2/c^2} - \omega^2)) \gamma}{\omega^2 (\omega_B^2 (1 - U^2/c^2) - \gamma^2 \tilde{\omega}^2)} \right\rangle, \\
 \varepsilon_{xy} &= - \left\langle \frac{k_z^2 U_x U_y \omega_p^2}{\tilde{\omega}^2 \gamma^3 \omega^2 (1 - U^2/c^2)} \right\rangle + i \left\langle \frac{\omega_p^2 \omega_B (\tilde{\omega}_0 - \omega U^2/c^2)}{\omega^2 (\omega_B^2 (1 - U^2/c^2) - \gamma^2 \tilde{\omega}^2)} \right\rangle + \left\langle \frac{\omega_p^2 (\tilde{\omega}_0 k_x U_y + \frac{U_x U_y}{c^2} (\frac{k_z v_{\parallel}}{1 - U^2/c^2} - \omega^2)) \gamma}{\omega^2 (\omega_B^2 (1 - U^2/c^2) - \gamma^2 \tilde{\omega}^2)} \right\rangle, \\
 \varepsilon_{xz} &= - \left\langle \frac{k_z U_x \omega_p^2 (\omega - k_x U_x)}{\tilde{\omega}^2 \gamma^3 \omega^2 (1 - U^2/c^2)} \right\rangle + \left\langle \frac{\omega_p^2 ((\tilde{\omega}_0 - \omega U^2/c^2) v_{\parallel} (k_x - \omega U_x/c^2) + \frac{U_y^2}{c^2} k_z k_x v_{\parallel}^2) \gamma}{(1 - U^2/c^2) \omega^2 (\omega_B^2 (1 - U^2/c^2) - \gamma^2 \tilde{\omega}^2)} \right\rangle - i \left\langle \frac{\omega_B \omega_p^2}{\omega (\omega_B^2 (1 - U^2/c^2) - \gamma^2 \tilde{\omega}^2)} \frac{U_x v_{\parallel}}{c^2} \right\rangle, \\
 \varepsilon_{yy} &= 1 - \left\langle \frac{k_z^2 U_y^2 \omega_p^2}{\tilde{\omega}^2 \gamma^3 \omega^2 (1 - U^2/c^2)} \right\rangle + \left\langle \frac{\omega_p^2 (\tilde{\omega}^2 + \frac{U_y^2}{c^2} (\frac{k_z v_{\parallel}}{1 - U^2/c^2} - \omega^2) + (k_x^2 U_y^2)) \gamma}{\omega^2 (\omega_B^2 (1 - U^2/c^2) - \gamma^2 \tilde{\omega}^2)} \right\rangle, \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

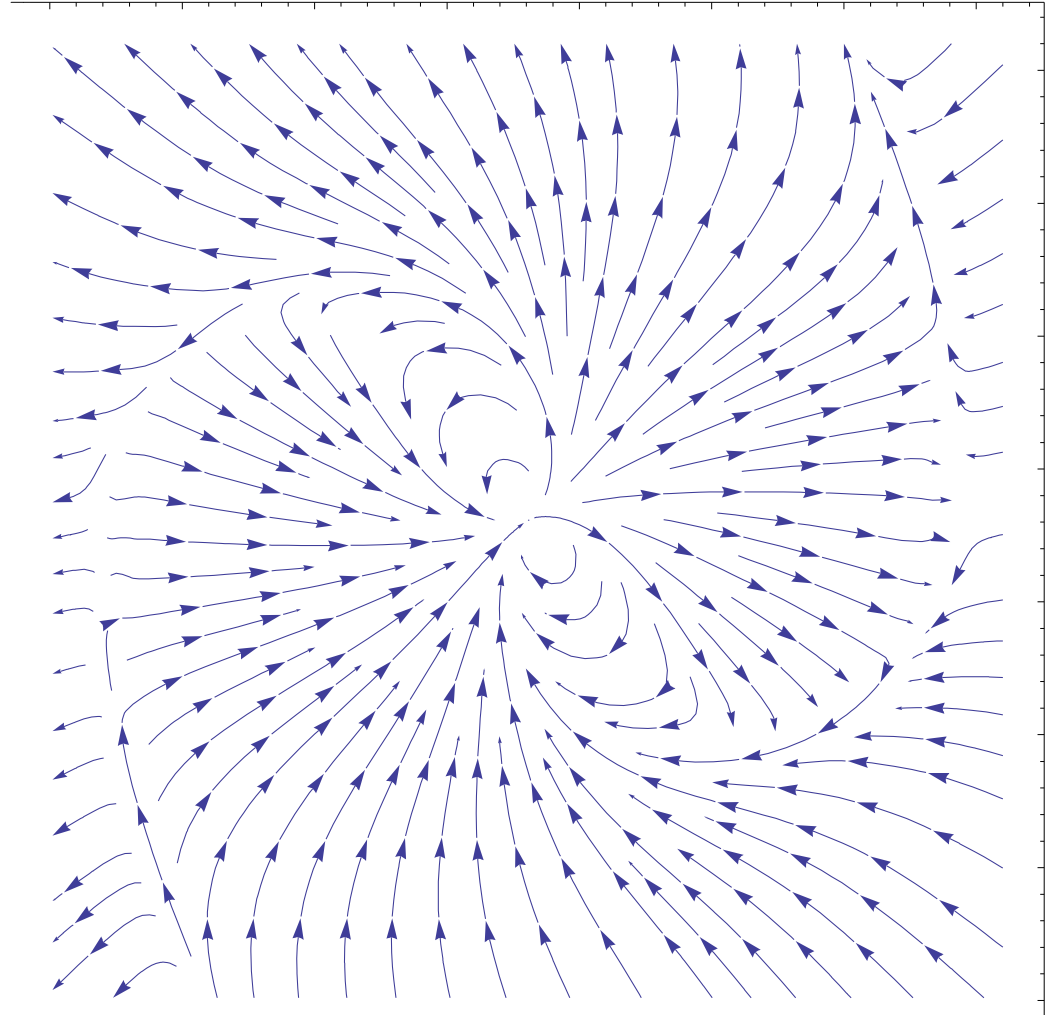
Magnetic field structure

Rotating dipole
(with or without
radiative terms)
+
Michel monopole

Here $\chi = 90$,
no radiative terms

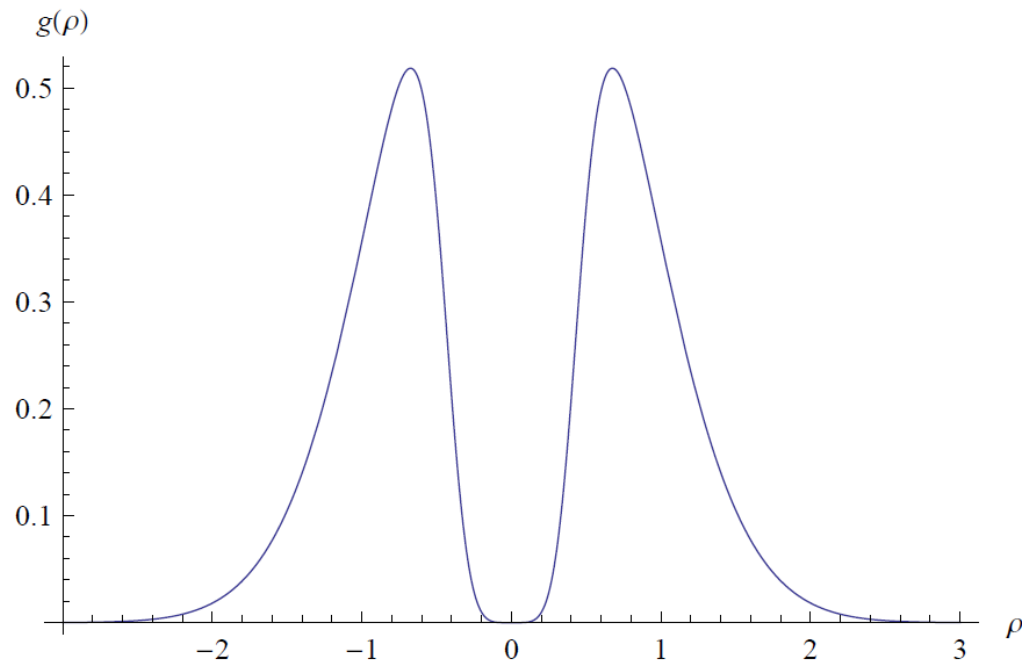


Spitkovsky, poloidal field, $\chi = 60$



Plasma profile

Arbitrary 2D
profile

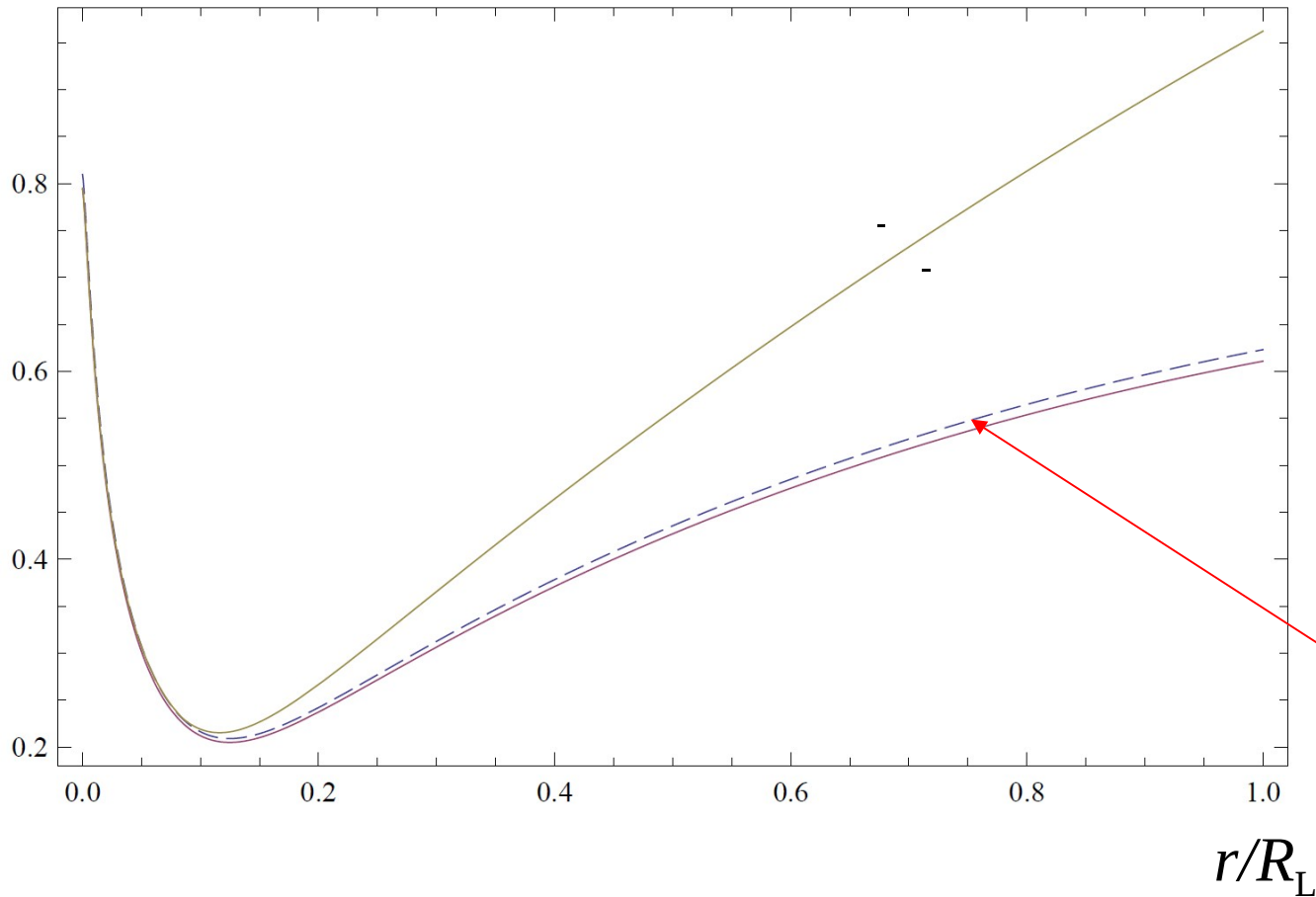


$$n_e(\theta_m, \varphi_m) = \lambda g(\theta_m, \varphi_m) n_{GJ}$$

Back integration

$r_0 = 30R$, $\chi = 45$, $\xi = 48$, $\psi = 5$
"rotating dipole"

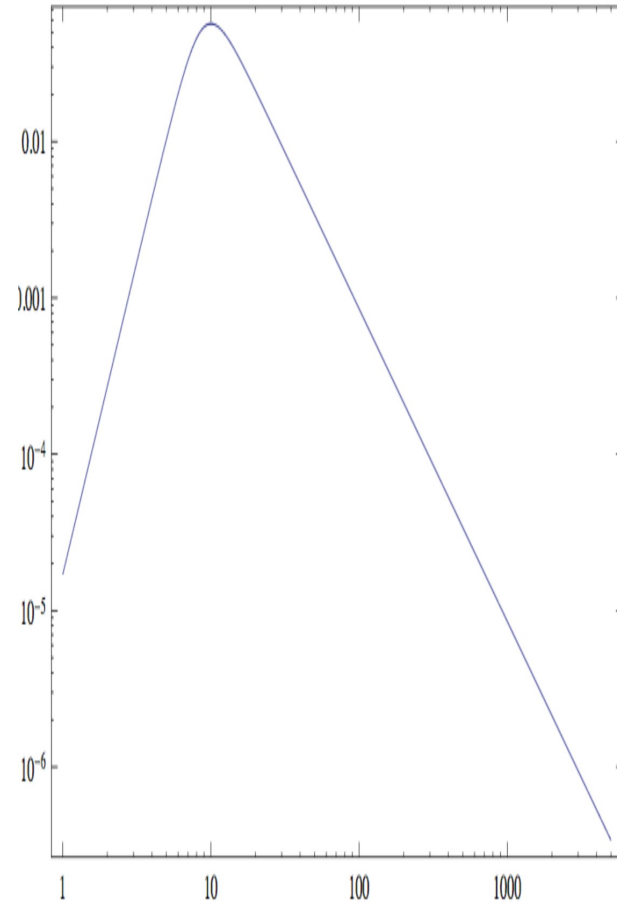
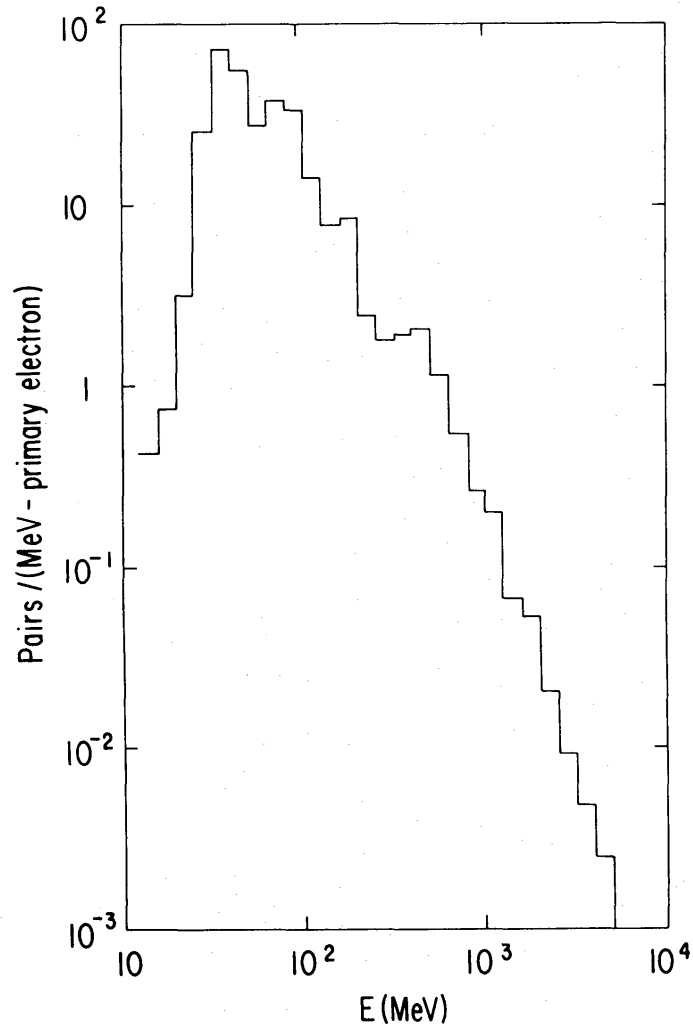
ρ/R_0



Good agreement between numerical simulation and analytic result!

$$\rho = \frac{1}{R_0/R} \frac{\sin \theta_m}{\sqrt{r/R}}$$

Energy distribution function



J. K. Daugherty, A. K. Harding.
ApJ, 252, 337 (1982)

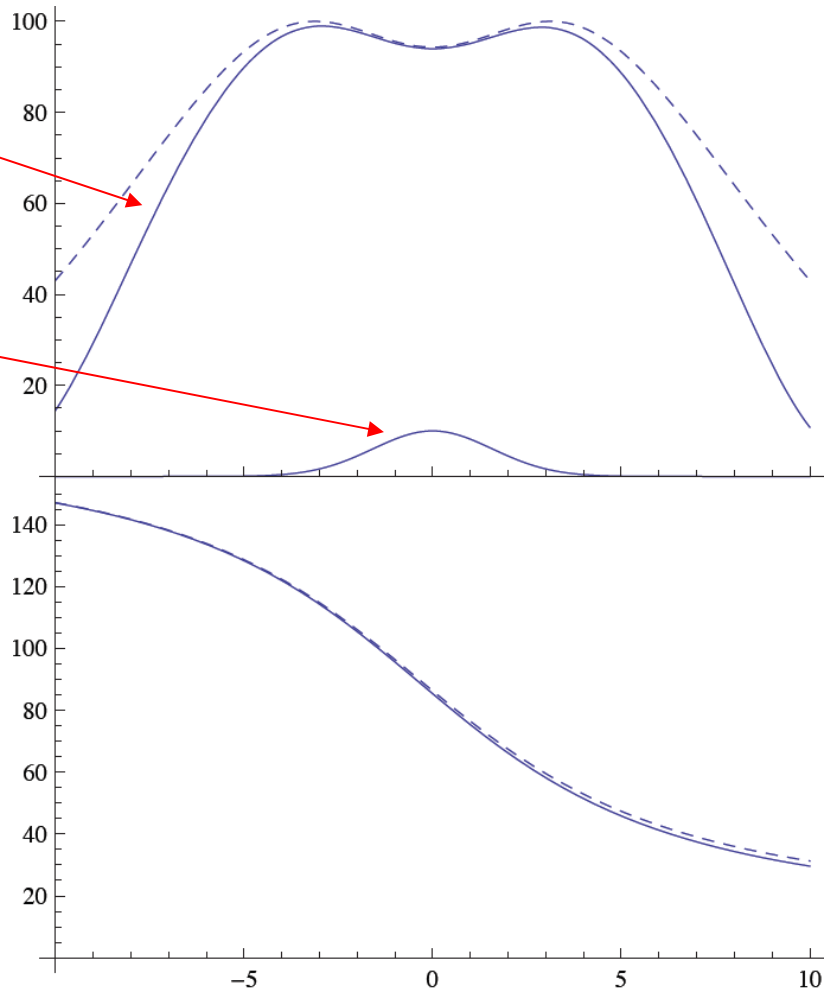
Cyclotron absorption

$$\begin{aligned}\tau &\approx \frac{4\pi^2 e^2}{m_e c} \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty n_e(l) \frac{\tilde{\omega}}{\omega} f(\gamma) \delta \left(|\omega_B| \sqrt{1 - \frac{U^2}{c^2}} - \gamma \tilde{\omega} \right) d\gamma dl \\ &= \frac{4\pi^2 e^2}{mc} \int_0^\infty n(l) \frac{1}{\omega} f \left(\frac{|\omega_B| \sqrt{1 - U^2/c^2}}{\tilde{\omega}} \right) dl.\end{aligned}$$

Cyclotron absorption

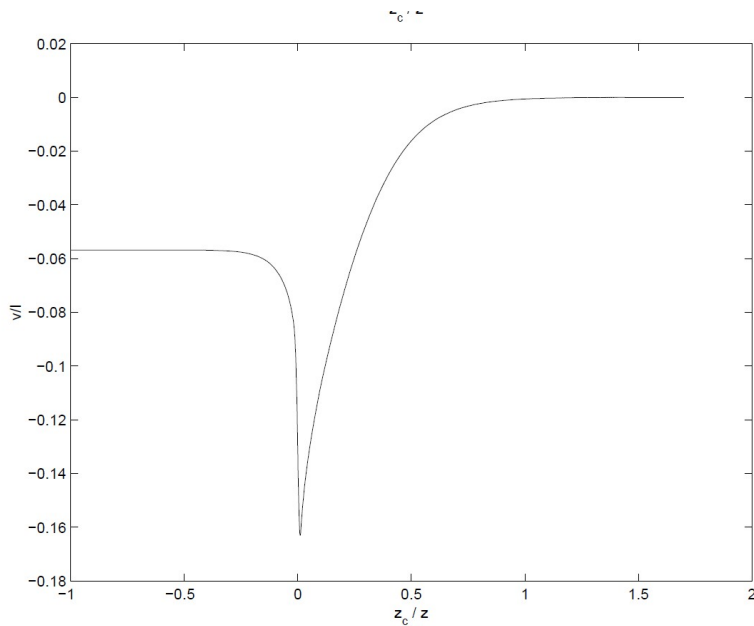
Hollow cone

No hole

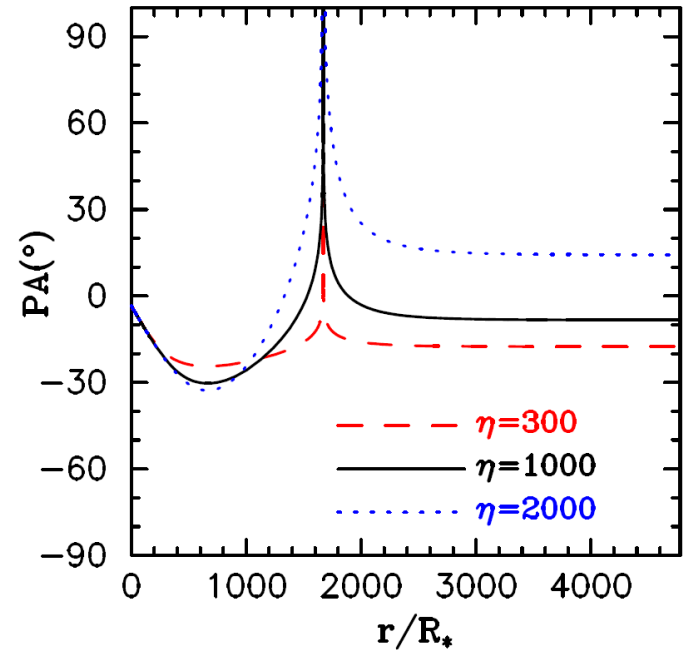


Through the cyclotron resonance

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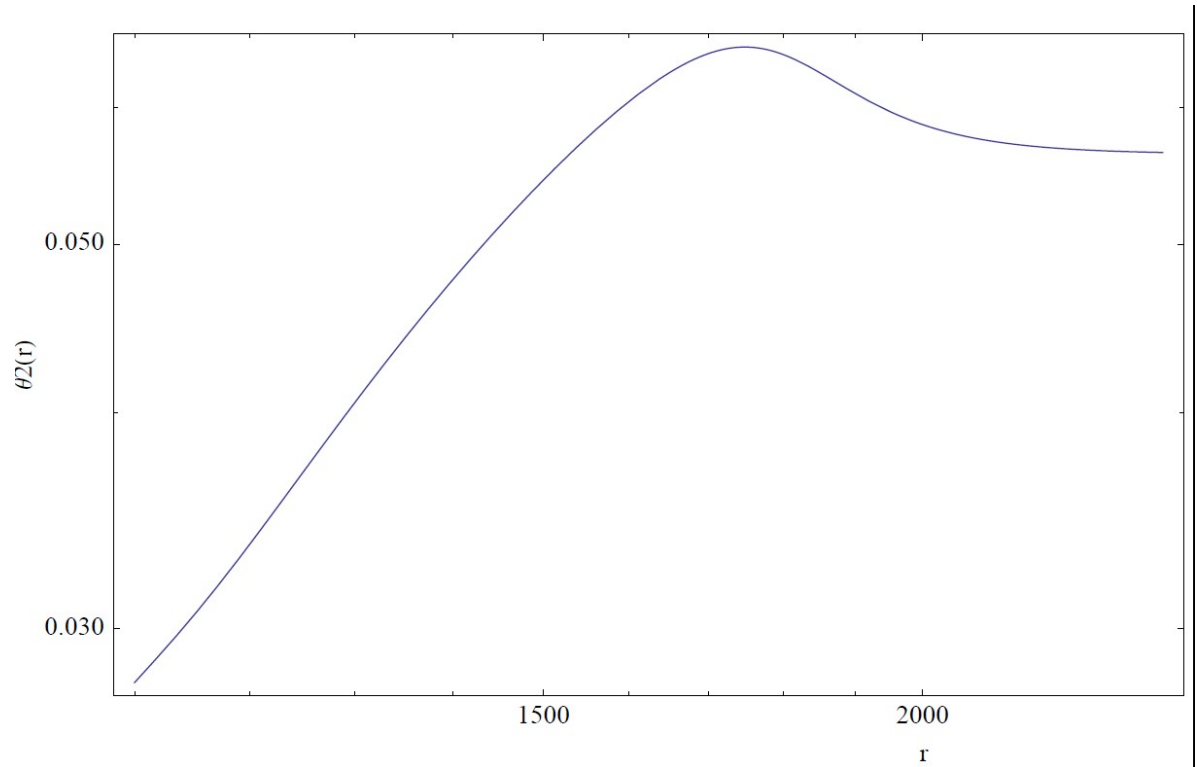
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Through the cyclotron resonance

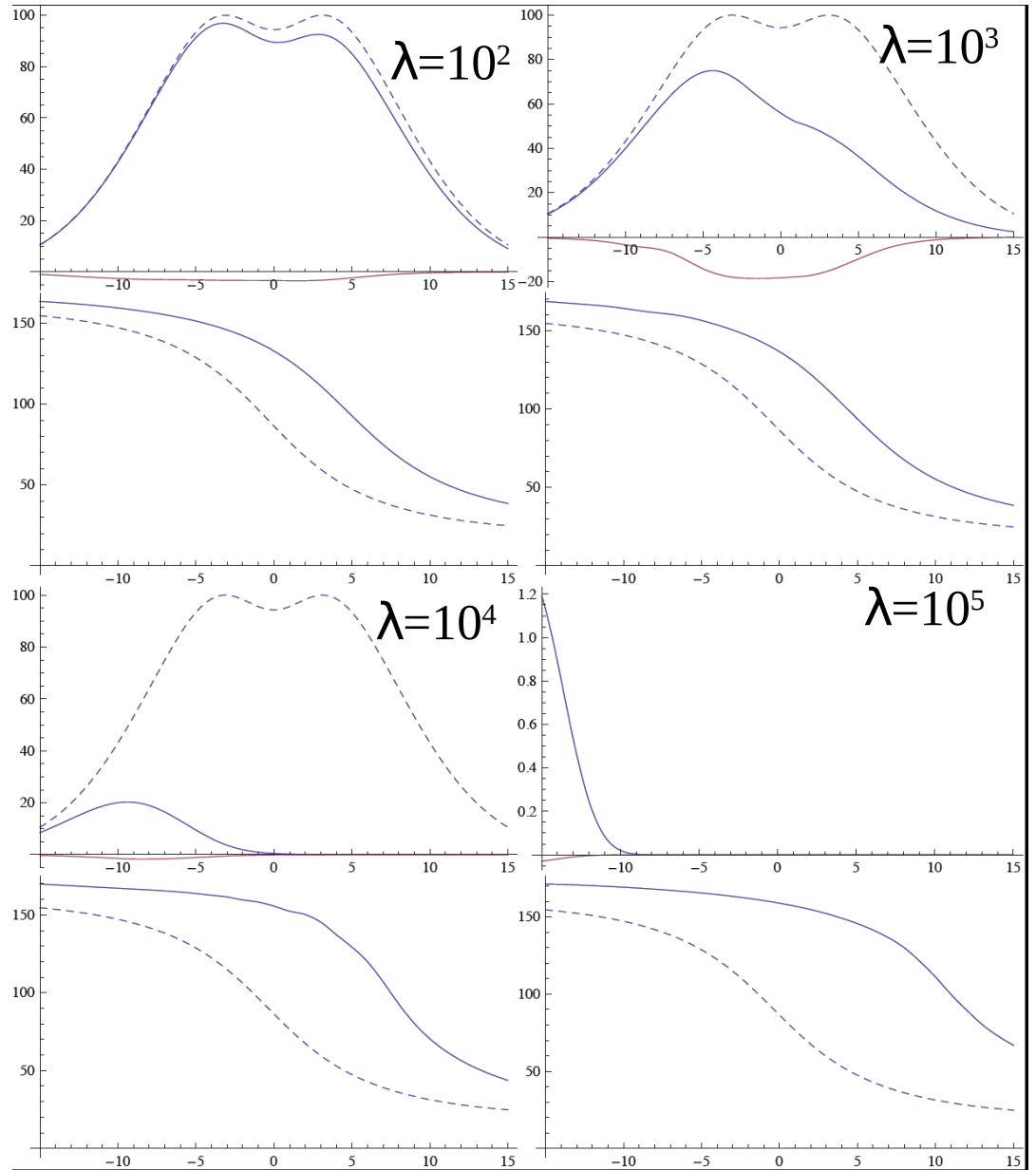
For real wide
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function



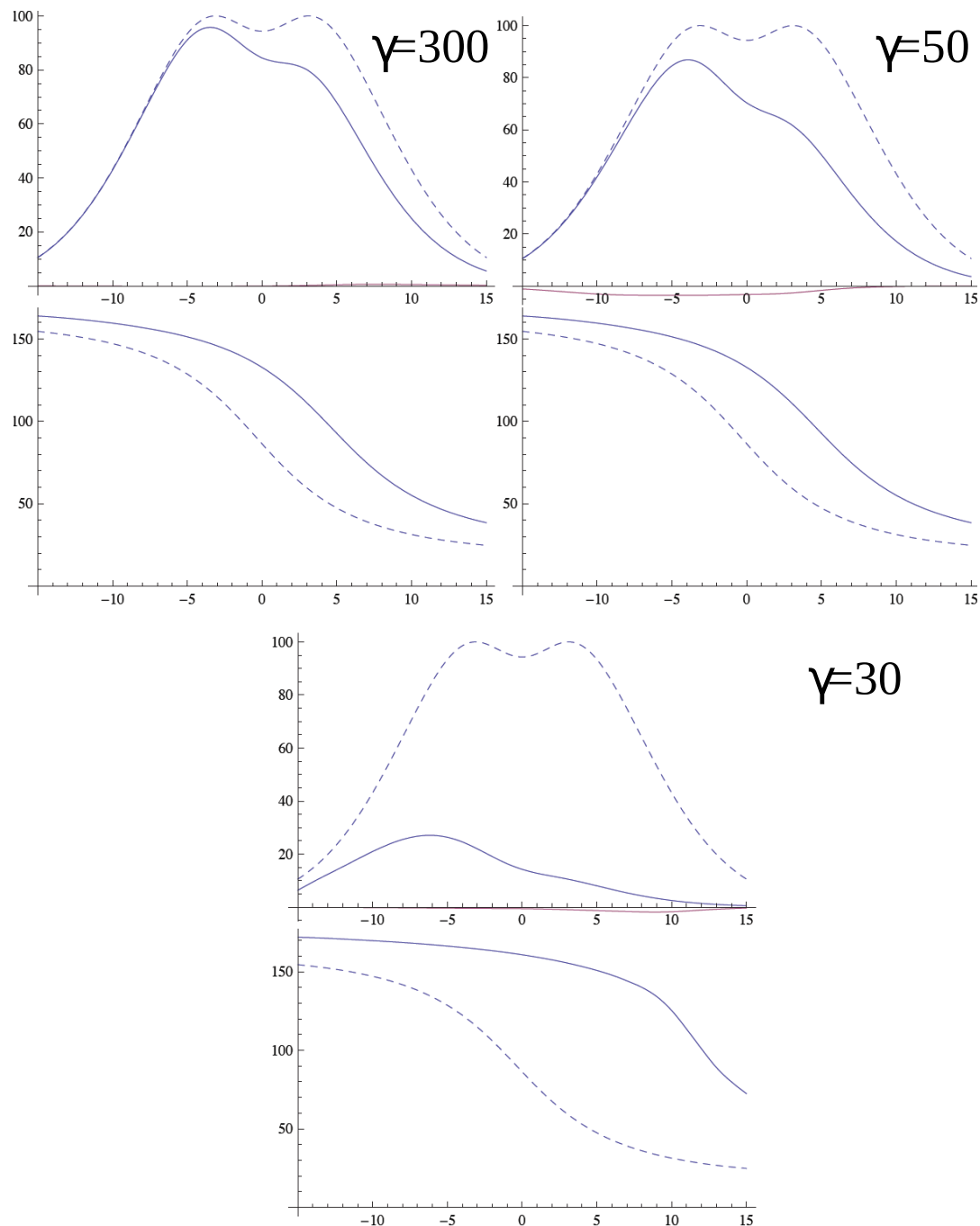
Results

P	B_0	χ	ζ	ρ_0	r_{rad}	γ	λ
1 s	10^{12} G	45°	48°	0.5	$30R$	50	10^3

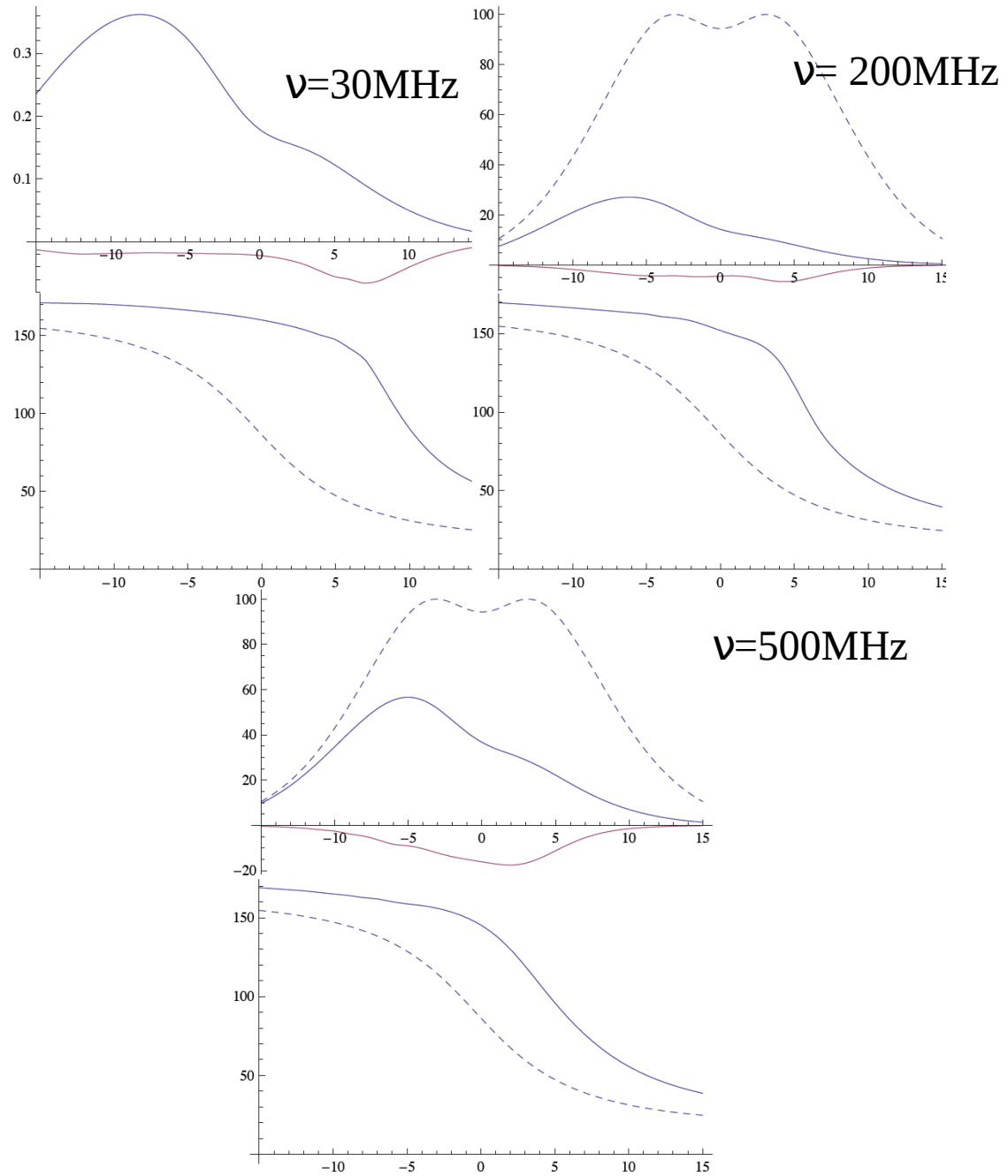
Multiplicity λ



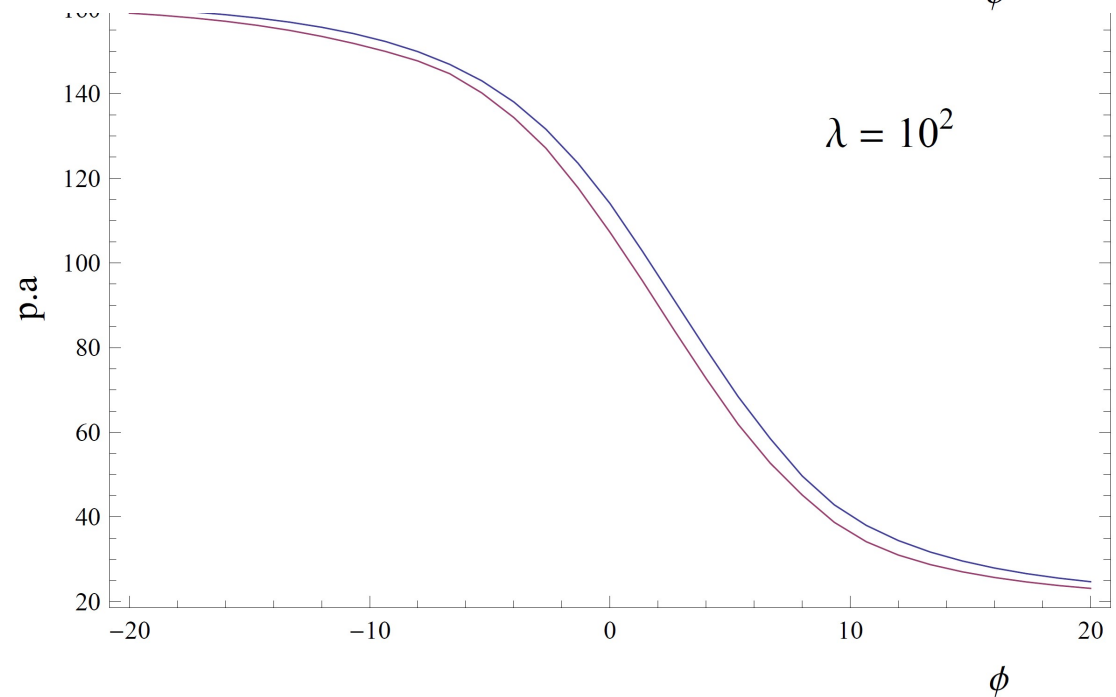
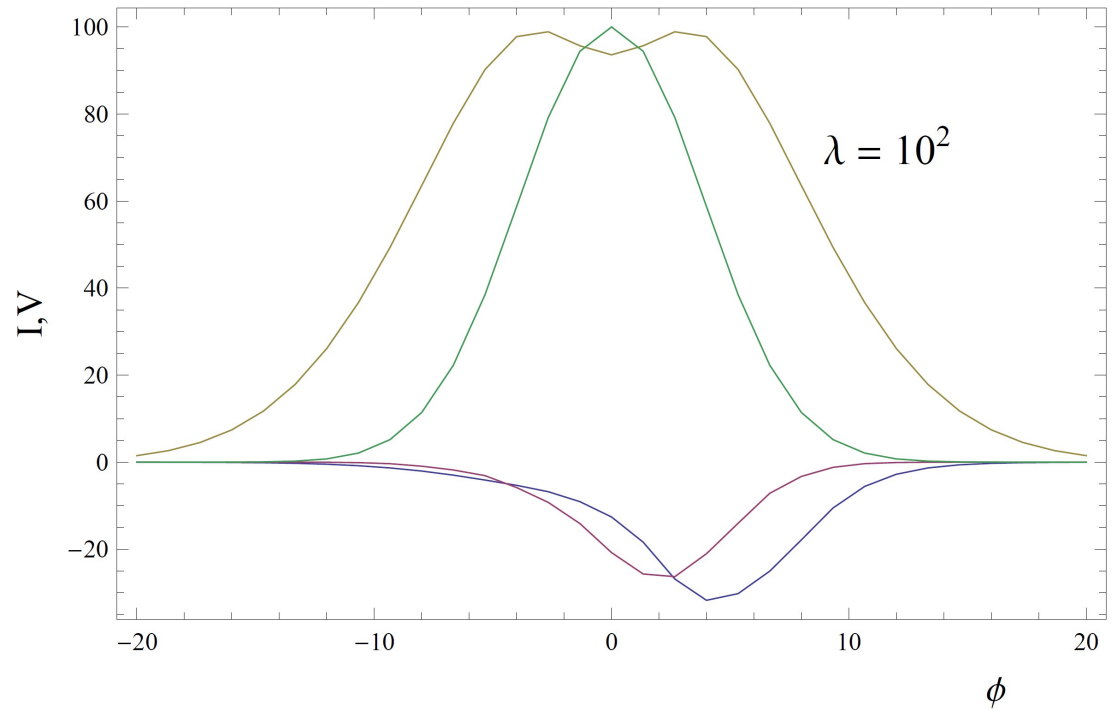
Beam energy γ



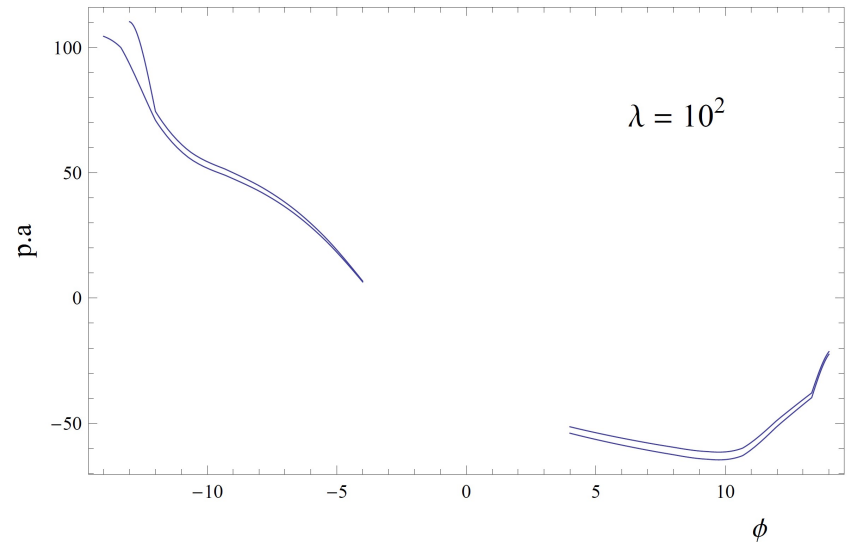
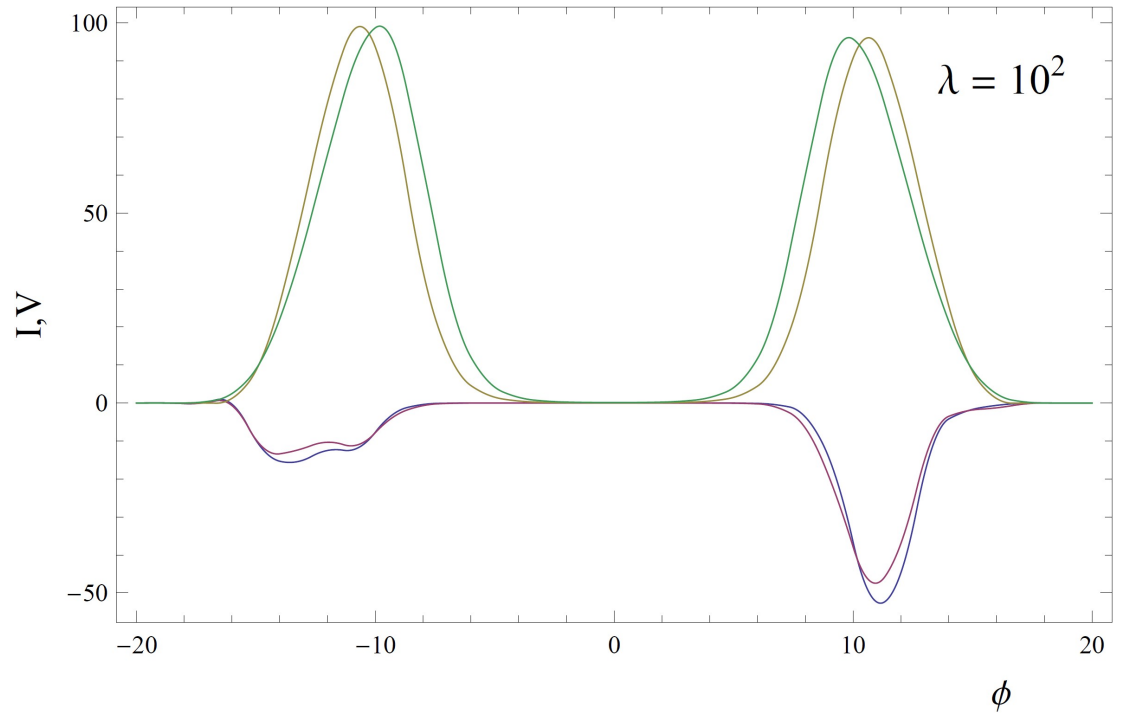
Frequency ν



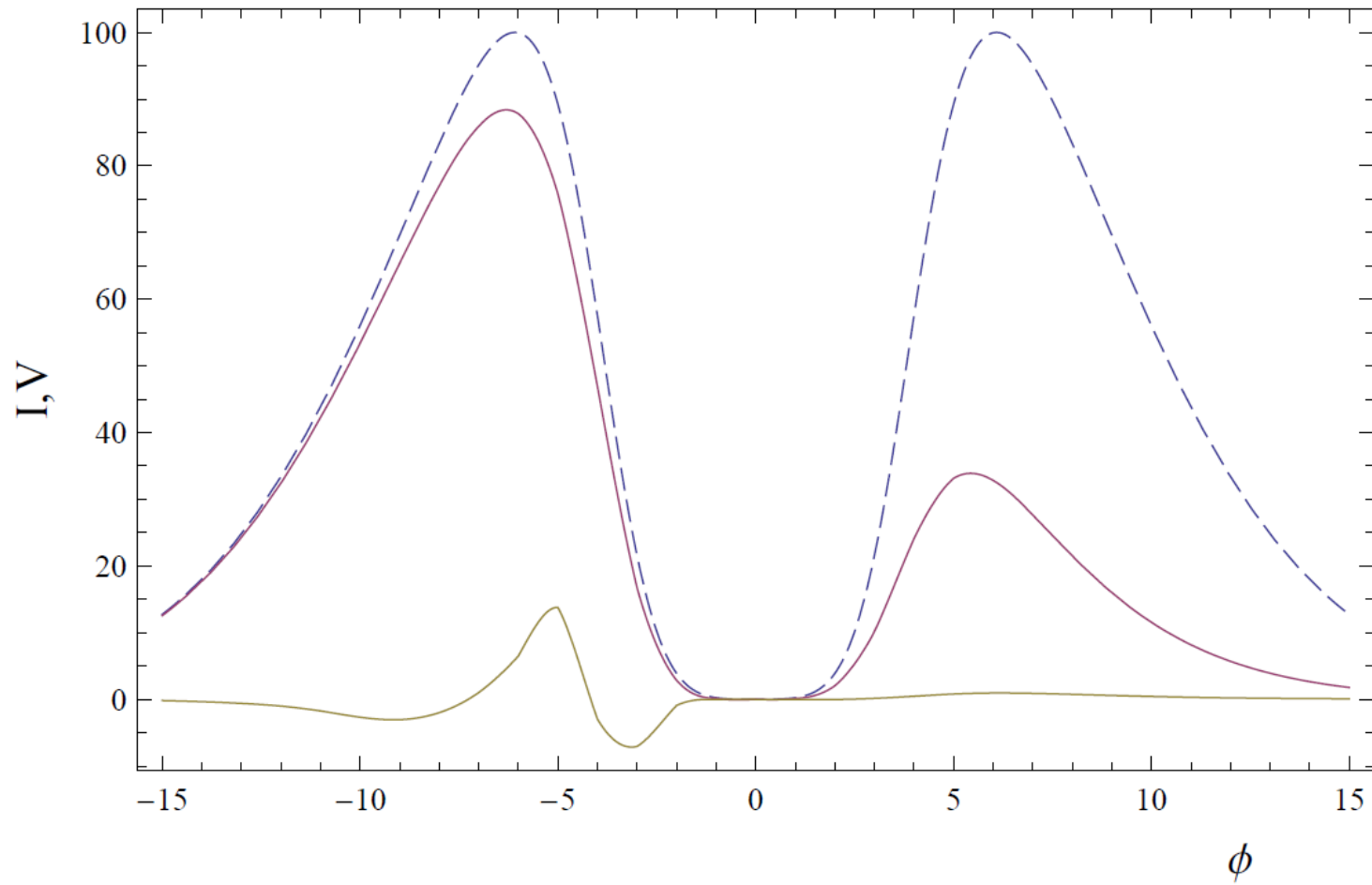
Different levels of radiation, X-mode
 $r_{\text{rad}} = 10R$ and
 $r_{\text{rad}} = 30R$



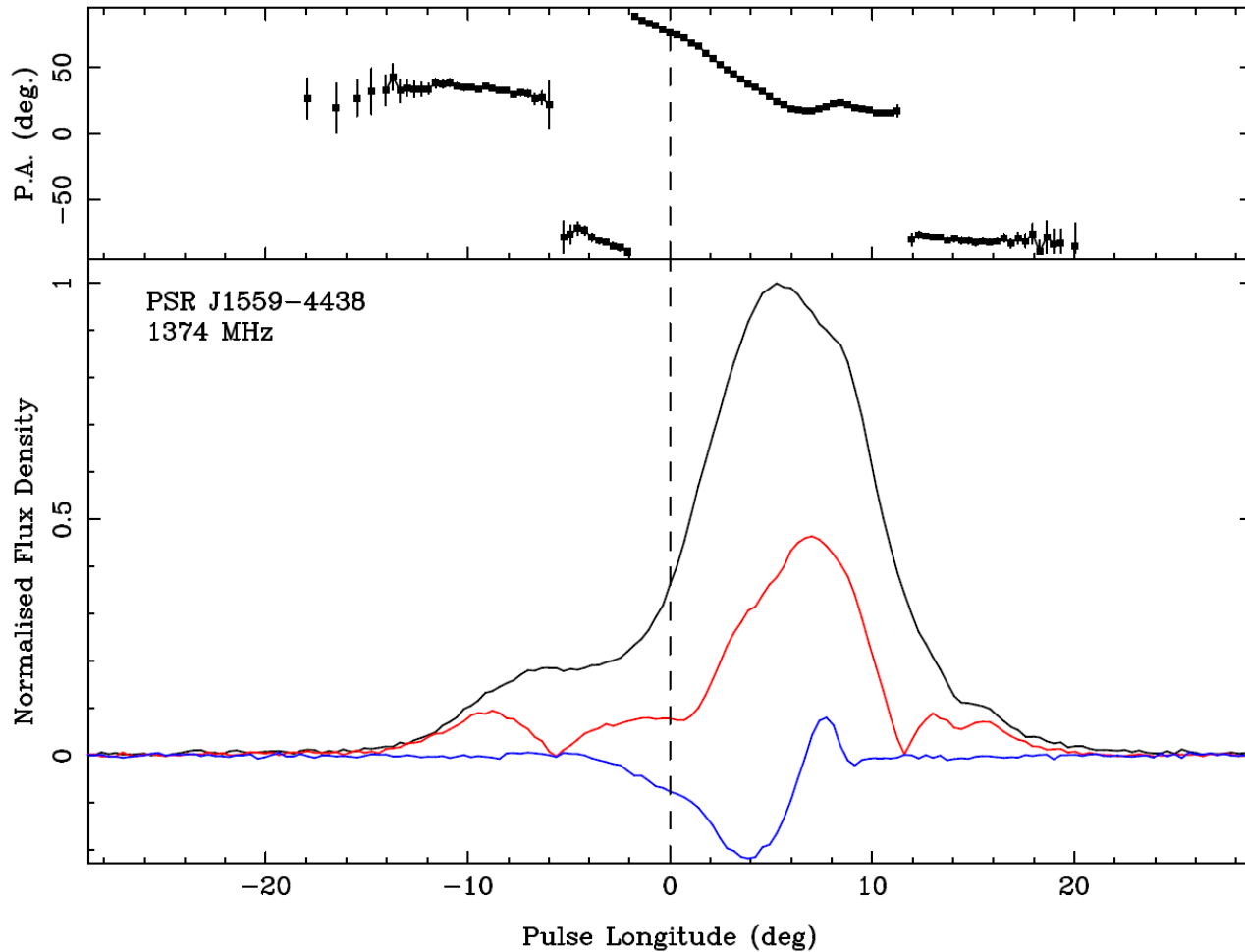
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Sign V
switch



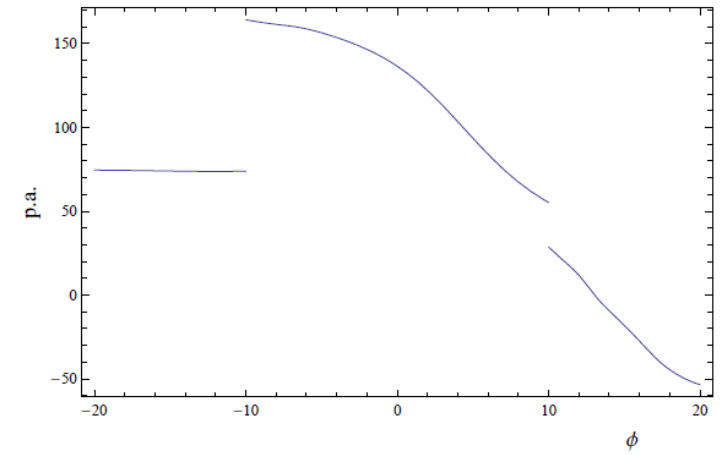
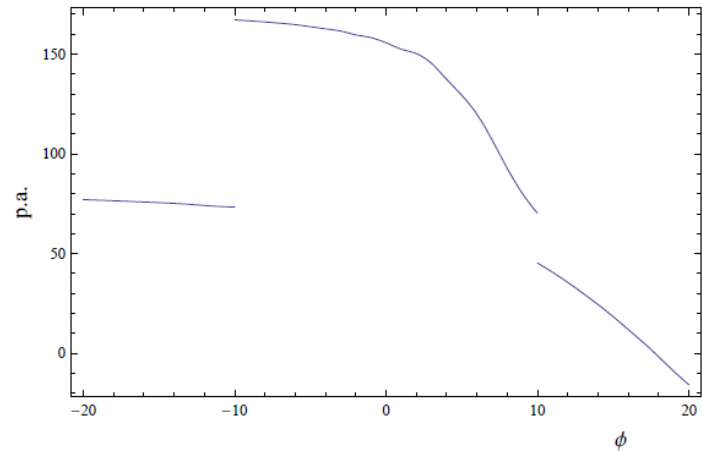
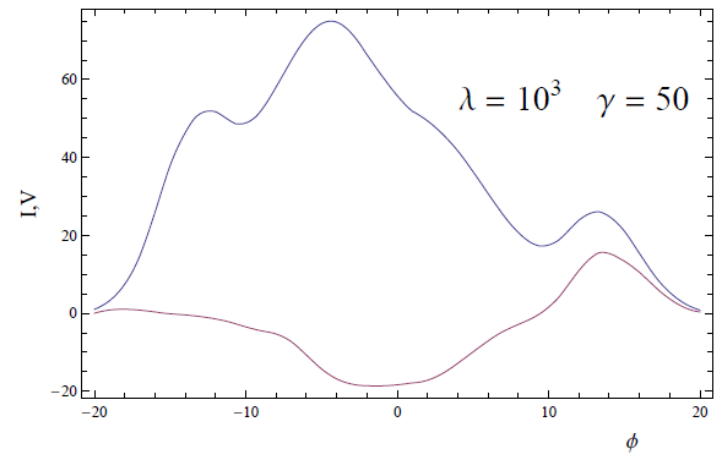
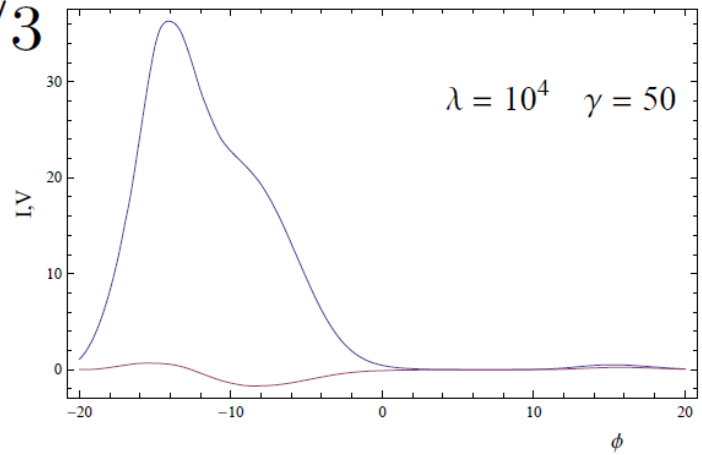
Sign V
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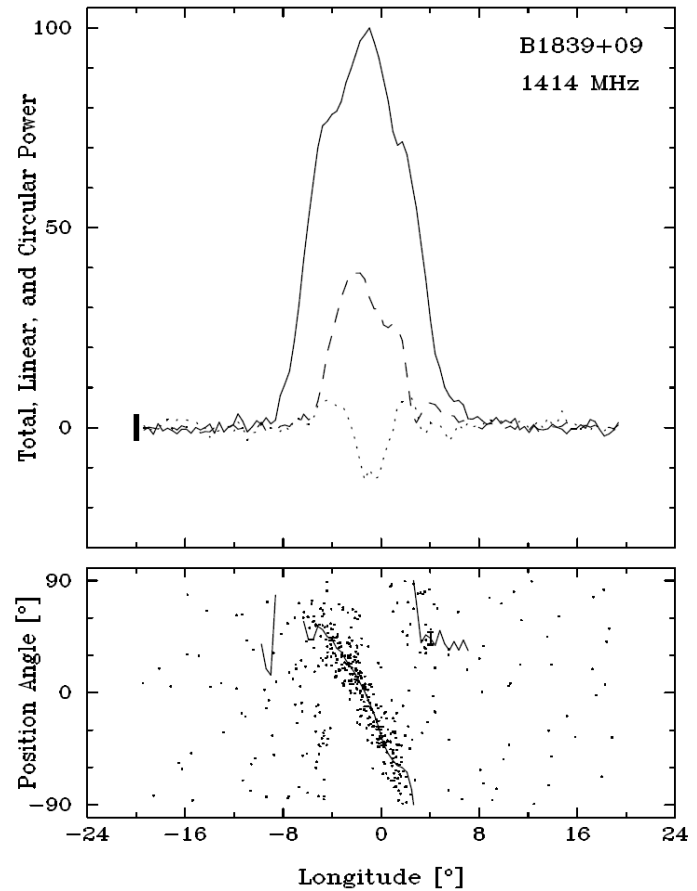
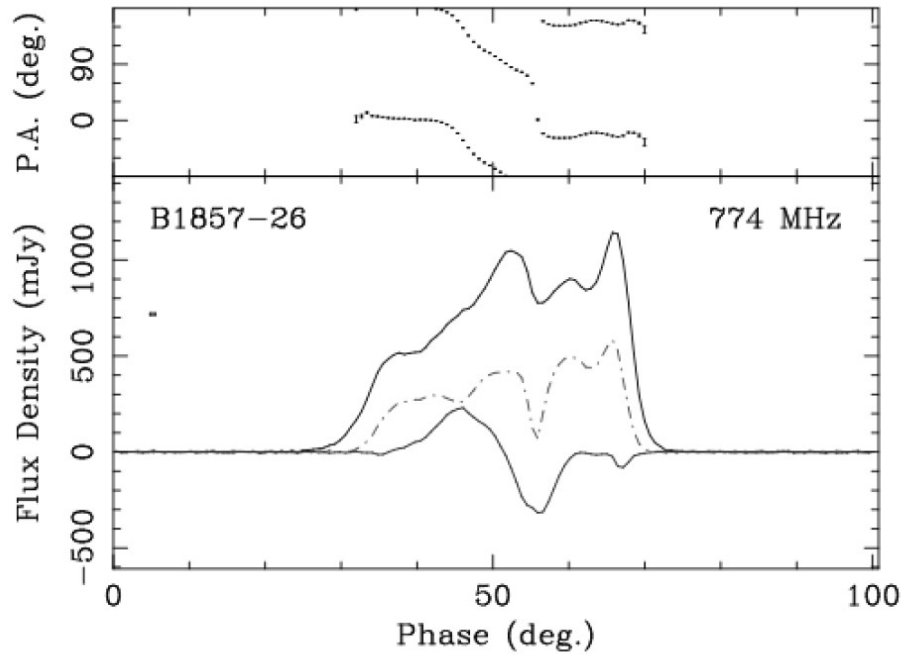
Two modes,

$$I_O/I_X = 1/3$$



In general, O-X-O for triple pulsars

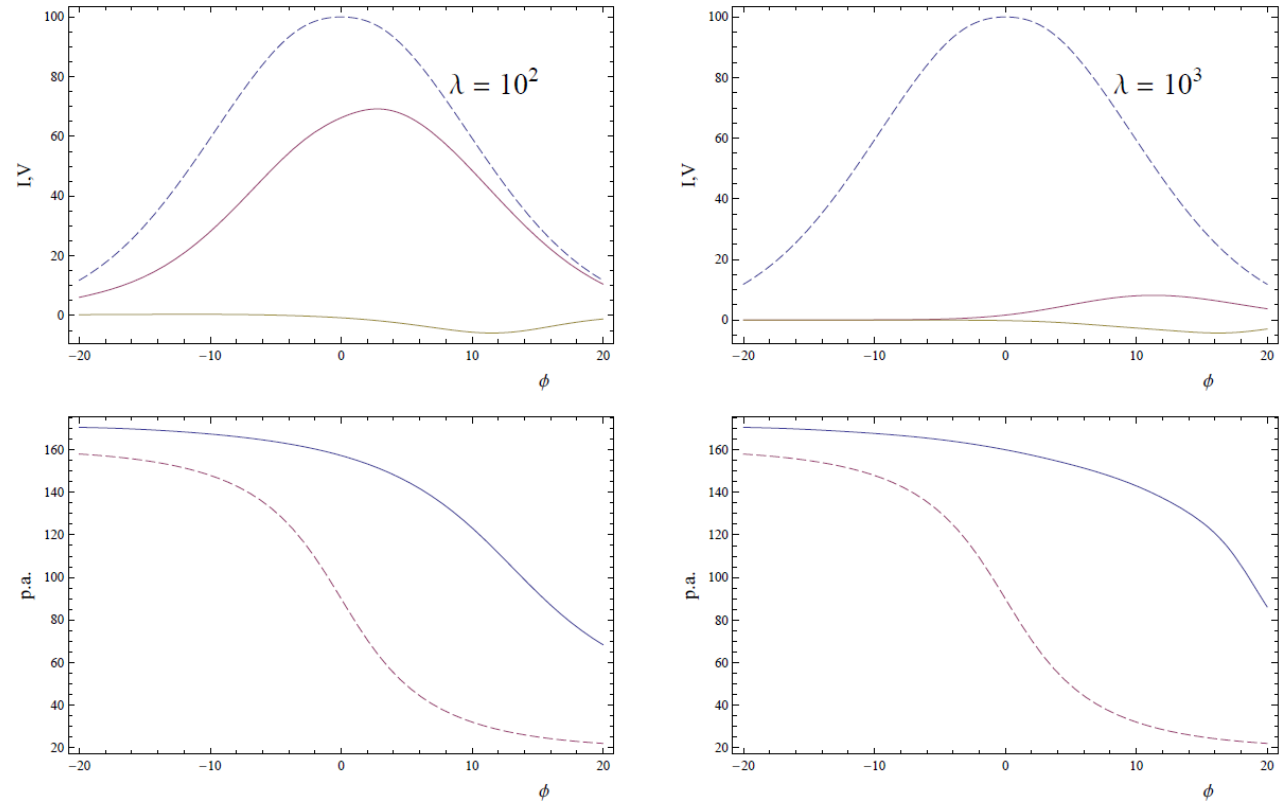
Two modes



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Millisecond pulsar

P	B_0	χ	ζ	ρ_0	r_{rad}	γ	λ
20 ms	10^8 G	45°	48°	0.2	$1.25R$	50	10^3



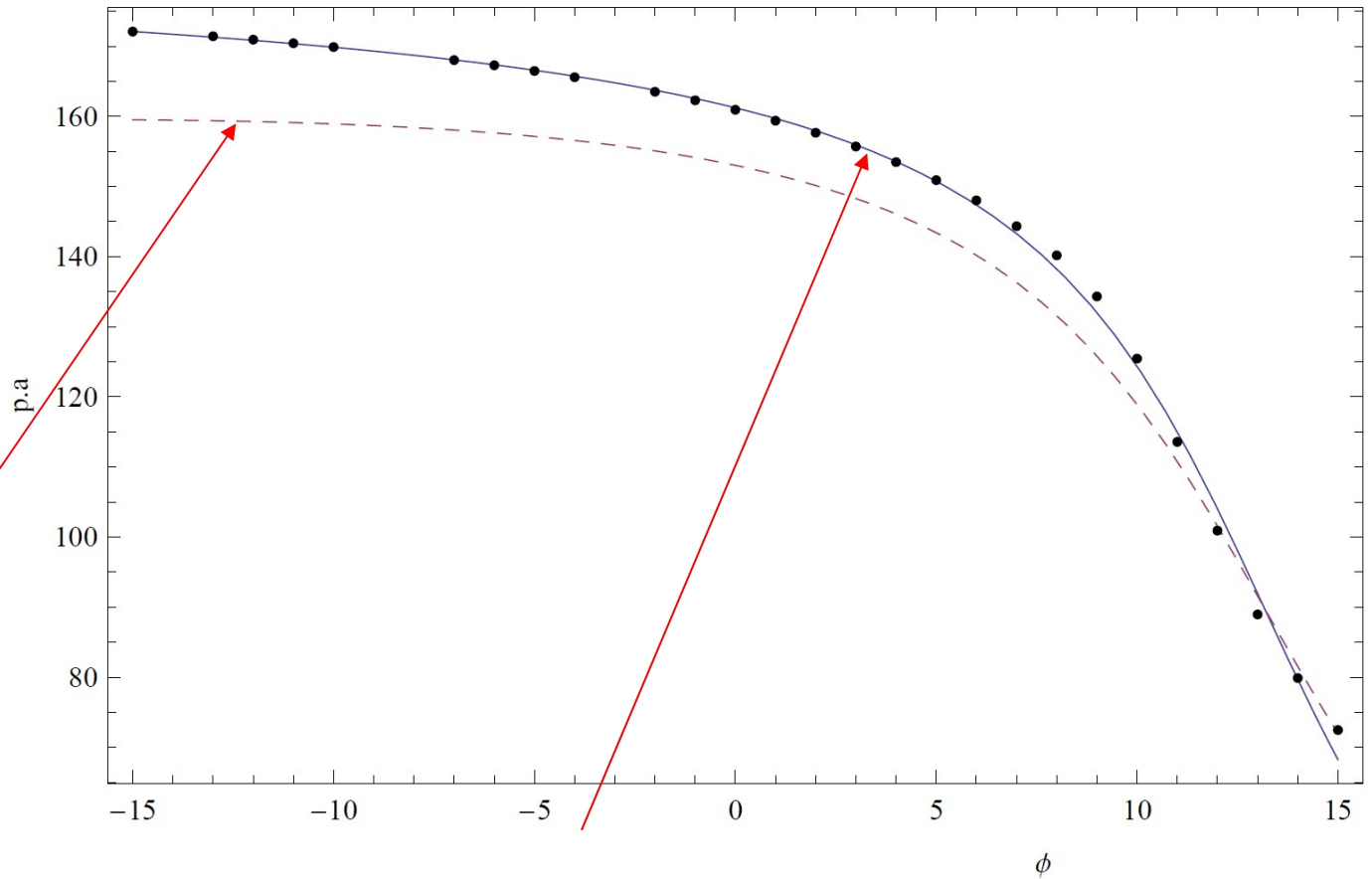
One can have the absorption in the leading part.

$$(d p.a./d\phi)_{\max}$$

λ	γ	ν (GHz)	Value	SV	RVM value
10^2	50	1	-9.47	4.7	-10.14
10^4	50	1	-14.47	7.44	-10.14
10^5	50	1	-11.70	10.5	-10.14
10^3	10	1	-12.72	11.5	-10.14
10^3	50	1	-9.86	4.3	-10.14
10^3	100	1	-9.47	4.7	-10.14
10^3	300	1	-9.46	4.7	-10.14
10^3	50	0.03	-15.92	8.4	-10.14
10^3	50	0.5	-11.82	3.85	-10.14
10^3	50	0.2	-18.02	5.48	-10.14

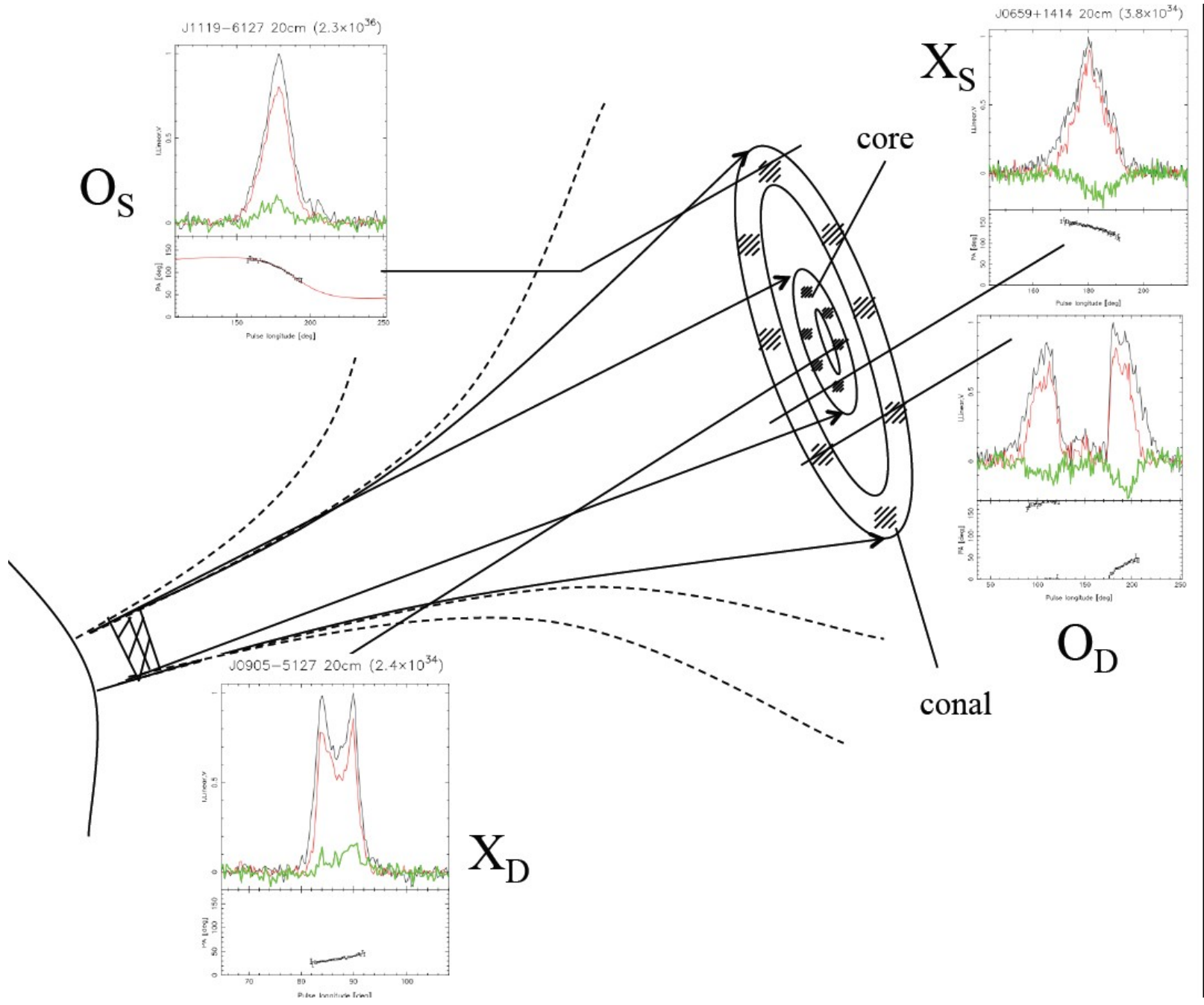
$$\left(\frac{d \text{p.a.}}{d\phi} \right)_{\max}$$

$$\chi = 45^\circ \text{ and } \zeta = 48^\circ$$



RVM curve

Wrong fit $\chi = 93^\circ$ and $\zeta = 97^\circ$



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Profile	O _S	O _D	X _S	X _D
Number	6	23	45	6
\sqrt{PW}_{50}	6.8 ± 3.1	10.7 ± 4.5	6.5 ± 2.9	5.3 ± 3.0

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Main results

- One-to-one correspondence between the signs V and $dp.a./d\phi$.
For the X-mode the signs should be the SAME, and the OPPOSITE for the O-mode.
- For central passage the V sign reversal in the core can occur.
- The standard S-shape form of the $p.a.$ swing can be realized for small enough multiplicity and large enough bulk Lorentz-factor only.
- In general, the trailing side of the emission beam is absorbed.
Leading part can be absorbed when the polarization forms close to the light cylinder.
- Electric drift changes the sign of the effect.

Conclusion

Only now it's possible to compare the theory with the observational data quantitatively.



Two extra remarks

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