Explicit formula of energy-conserving, Fokker-Planck type collision term for nonaxisymmetric, single species point vortex system

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Abstract

This paper considers a kinetic equation for an unbounded two-dimensional single species point vortex system. No axisymmetric flow is assumed. Using the kinetic theory based on the Klimontovich formalism, we derive a collision term consisting of a diffusion and a drift term, whose structure is similar to the Fokker-Planck equation. The collision term exhibits several important properties: (a) it includes a nonlocal effect; (b) it conserves the mean field energy; (c) it satisfies the H theorem; (d) its effect vanishes in each local equilibrium region with the same temperature. When the system reaches a global equilibrium state, the collision term completely converge to zero all over the system.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Two-dimensional (2D) microscopic point vortex is a formal solution of the 2D inviscid microscopic Euler equation,

\[ \frac{\partial \hat{\omega}(\mathbf{r}, t)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\hat{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{r}, t) \hat{\omega}(\mathbf{r}, t)) = 0 \]  

(1)

where \( \hat{\omega}(\mathbf{r}, t) \) and \( \hat{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{r}, t) \) are the microscopic vorticity and the microscopic velocity, respectively. Equation (1) is formally identical with the macroscopic Euler equation

\[ \frac{\partial \omega(\mathbf{r}, t)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{r}, t) \omega(\mathbf{r}, t)) = 0 \]  

(2)

where \( \omega(\mathbf{r}, t) \equiv \langle \hat{\omega}(\mathbf{r}, t) \rangle \) and \( \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{r}, t) \equiv \langle \hat{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{r}, t) \rangle \) are the macroscopic vorticity and the macroscopic velocity, respectively. Operator \( \langle \cdot \rangle \) is an averaging operator. The point vortex system has been successfully applied to the study of 2D turbulence [1, 2]. In the landmark paper published in 1949, Onsager proposed an application of statistical mechanics to 2D point vortex system, in which he sketched a possible explanation for the formation of large-scale, long-lived vortex structures in turbulent flows [3, 4]. Equilibrium distribution at negative temperature described by the sinh-Poisson equation is found by Joyce and Montgomery [5]. Since then, large research effort has been devoted to understand the negative temperature state, both theoretically and numerically [6–16]. On the other hand, it has been pointed out that a decaying, 2D Navier-Stokes turbulence reaches an equilibrium state described by sinh-Poisson equation [17–19].

Here, a question arises. A distribution of the point vortices \( \hat{\omega}(\mathbf{r}, 0) \) is given at \( t = 0 \). A time-evolved distribution \( \hat{\omega}(\mathbf{r}, T) \) at certain time \( T \) is obtained by solving the microscopic Euler equation [11]. On the other hand, a macroscopic vorticity field \( \omega(\mathbf{r}, 0) \) at \( t = 0 \) is obtained by a space average of \( \hat{\omega}(\mathbf{r}, 0) \), namely \( \omega(\mathbf{r}, 0) = \langle \hat{\omega}(\mathbf{r}, 0) \rangle \). Of course, a time-evolved macroscopic vorticity field \( \omega(\mathbf{r}, T) \) is obtained by solving the macroscopic Euler equation [2]. Is the space-averaged point vortex solution \( \langle \hat{\omega}(\mathbf{r}, T) \rangle \) the same as the macroscopic vorticity filed \( \omega(\mathbf{r}, T) \)? We believe that the answer is “no” and the evolving equation for \( \omega(\mathbf{r}, T) \) which is exactly equal to \( \langle \hat{\omega}(\mathbf{r}, T) \rangle \) should be written as

\[ \frac{\partial \omega(\mathbf{r}, t)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{r}, t) \omega(\mathbf{r}, t)) = C \]  

(3)

where \( C \) is a collision term. In the following, we restrict our discussion to determining explicit formula of \( C \), i.e., a kinetic theory with the Klimontovich formalism [20].

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In the context of relaxation processes of the point vortex system towards a statistical equilibrium state, diffusive effect due to the discrete distribution has attracted a lot of attention. The Fokker-Planck type collision term consisting of the diffusion term and the drift (friction) term was discussed by Dubin and O’Neil, in which an axially symmetric velocity profile is assumed and a collective effect is formally taken into account [21, 22]. This result yields zero diffusion flux for single species point vortices. On the other hand, Chavanis obtained the kinetic equation with a collective effect including the implicit term [23, 24]. By dropping the collective effect, the explicit formula is obtained. However, the result has a problem that a monotonic angular velocity profile yields zero collisional effect and the system does not reach a thermal equilibrium state.

In this paper, we present a kinetic equation for the unbounded, 2D single species point vortex system. To derive an explicit formula of the collision term, Klimontovich formalism is used. The obtained collision term has following good properties that resolve the above issues. The collision term conserves the mean field energy. During a relaxation process towards the global equilibrium, system reaches a local equilibrium state first. In the local equilibrium state, the relation \( \omega_{\text{eq}} = \omega[\psi] \) is satisfied in small regions where \( \omega[\psi] \) is a functional of the stream function \( \psi \) and in the regions, the second term \( \nabla \cdot (u \omega) \) of the Euler equation (3) vanishes. Then time evolution of the system is dominated by the collision term. However, the magnitude of the collision term is small compared to that of \( \nabla \cdot (u \omega) \), and the speed of the relaxation slows down. When system reaches a global equilibrium state described by the Boltzmann distribution \( \omega_{\text{eq}} = \omega_0 \exp(-\beta \Omega \psi_{\text{eq}}) \), the collision term completely converge to zero all over the system and the Einstein relation is obtained [23]. The obtained collision term satisfies the H theorem which guarantees that the system relaxes to a global equilibrium state.

The organization of this paper is as follows. In Sec. II, the point vortex system and the Klimontovich formalism are briefly introduced. In Sec. III, we demonstrate explicit formulae for the diffusion and the drift terms as intermediate results. In Sec. IV, a detailed calculation of the diffusion term is shown. As the similar calculation can be applied to the drift term, details for the drift term are omitted. Finally in Sec. V, three good properties of the collision term are demonstrated.
II. POINT VORTEX SYSTEM

Consider a 2D system consisting of $N$ positive point vortices. The circulation of each point vortex is given by a positive constant $\Omega$.

$$\hat{\omega} = \sum_{i} \Omega \delta(r - r_i),$$

where $\hat{\omega}(r, t)$ is the $z$-component of the microscopic vorticity on the $x-y$ plane, and $\delta(r)$ is the Dirac delta function in two dimensions. The microscopic variables in the microscopic equation are identified by $\hat{\cdot}$. For brevity, we shall omit the $t$ and $r$ dependences, if there is no ambiguity. Vector $r_i = r_i(t)$ is the position vector of the $i$-th point vortex. The discretized vorticity (4) is a formal solution of the microscopic Euler equation (1). Other microscopic variables are defined by

$$\hat{u} = \hat{u}(r, t) = -\hat{z} \times \nabla \hat{\psi},$$

$$\hat{\psi} = \hat{\psi}(r, t) = \sum_i \Omega_i G(r - r_i),$$

$$G(r) = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \ln |r|,$$

where $\hat{u}$ and $\hat{\psi}$ are the velocity field and the stream function in the 2D plane, $\hat{z}$ is the unit vector in the $z$-direction, and $G(r)$ is the 2D Green function for the Laplacian operator with an infinite domain. As a solution of a macroscopic fluid equation should be given by a smooth function, the singular solution (4) should be regarded as not a solution of the macroscopic equation but one of the microscopic equation. Thus we call the equation that has the microscopic point vortex solution (4), “microscopic” Euler equation.

Here let us briefly introduce the Klimontovich formalism in plasma physics [20]. It is a concise method to derive the Fokker-Planck equation for a macroscopic phase space density $f$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + v \cdot \nabla_r f + \frac{q}{m}(E + v \times B) \cdot \nabla_v f = \nabla_v \cdot (D \cdot \nabla_v f + Af),$$

from the Klimontovich equation for a microscopic phase space density $\hat{f}$. As the dynamics of plasmas is usually dominated by not a collision but a collective behavior due to long-range interactions, collision term can be neglected and it yields the simplest form of the kinetic equation called the Vlasov equation:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + v \cdot \nabla_r f + \frac{q}{m}(E + v \times B) \cdot \nabla_v f = 0.$$
We assume that the same hierarchy exists in the 2D fluid equation. The most microscopic equation is the microscopic Euler equation (1), which have the discrete particle solution (4). Dividing the microscopic variables into a macroscopic and a fluctuation part, and taking ensemble average may yield a macroscopic fluid equation with a collisional effect like the Fokker-Planck equation. Ignoring the collision term in the above macroscopic equation, we obtain the inviscid fluid equation, namely the macroscopic Euler equation.

Starting equation is the microscopic Euler equation (1). Inserting the following expressions into Eq. (1),

\[ \dot{\omega} = \omega + \delta \omega, \quad (10) \]
\[ \dot{u} = u + \delta u, \quad (11) \]

and taking the ensemble average, Eq. (2) is rewritten as the following macroscopic equation with the collision term \( C = C(r, t) \)

\[ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \omega + \nabla \cdot (u \omega) = C, \quad (12) \]
\[ C \equiv -\nabla \cdot \Gamma(r, t), \quad (13) \]
\[ \Gamma = \langle \delta u \delta \omega \rangle \]
\[ = -\int dr' F(r - r') \langle \delta \omega' \delta \omega \rangle, \quad (14) \]
\[ F(r) = \hat{z} \times \nabla G(r), \quad (15) \]
\[ \Gamma = -D \cdot \nabla \omega + V \omega \quad (16) \]

where \( \Gamma \) denotes a diffusion flux. We note \( \delta \omega' \) for \( \delta \omega(r', t) \). Similarly, we shall note \( \omega' \) for \( \omega(r', t) \). The following relation is utilized.

\[ \delta u = -\int dr' F(r - r') \delta \omega' \quad (17) \]

In the next section, we will analytically assess the collision term \( C \).

### III. EVALUATION OF COLLISION TERM

We expect that the collision term \( C \) appearing in Eq. (12) for the point vortex system has two terms, a diffusion term proportional to \( \nabla \omega \) and a drift term proportional to \( \omega \), namely

\[ \Gamma \equiv -D \cdot \nabla \omega + V \omega \]
where \( D = D(r, t) \) is a diffusion tensor, and \( V = V(r, t) \) is a drift velocity. To evaluate \( D \) and \( V \) explicitly, we introduce a small parameter \( \epsilon \). We consider a point vortex system with large \( N \) keeping the total circulation \( N\Omega \) constant. The magnitude of \( \epsilon \) is of the order of either \( 1/N \) or \( \Omega \). Orders of the other quantities are:

\[
C \approx O(\epsilon^3), \quad D \approx O(\epsilon), \quad V \approx O(\epsilon^2),
\]

\[
\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \approx O(\epsilon), \quad \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial t} \approx O(\epsilon)
\]

\[
\omega \approx \nabla^2 \psi \approx O(\epsilon^0), \quad \nabla \omega \approx O(\epsilon),
\]

\[
u \approx \nabla \psi \approx O(\epsilon^0), \quad \nabla u \approx \nabla^2 \psi \approx O(\epsilon^0),
\]

\[
\nabla \nabla u \approx O(\epsilon).
\]

(19)

The expansion parameter \( \epsilon \) is the same as one introduced by Chavanis in Refs. [23, 24] and the references therein. Expressing \( D \) and \( V \) in the form of a perturbation expansion and gathering the first order terms for \( D \) and the second order terms for \( V \), an analytical formula for the collision term \( C \) will be obtained.

To rewrite the collision term in Eq. (12) according to the above prospect, we introduce a linearized equation obtained by inserting Eqs. (10) and (11) into Eq. (1) and assembling the first-order fluctuation terms:

\[
\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \delta \omega + \nabla \cdot (u \delta \omega) = -\delta u \cdot \nabla \omega.
\]

(20)

As the macroscopic quantities \( u \) appearing in the second term in the left-hand side and \( \nabla \omega \) in the right-hand side are supposed to be constant in the time scale of the microscopic fluctuation, Eq. (20) can be integrated:

\[
\delta \omega = -\int_{t_0}^{t} d\tau \delta \omega(r - u(t - \tau), \tau) \cdot \nabla \omega
+ \delta \omega(r - u(t - t_0), t_0),
\]

(21)

\[
\delta \omega' = -\int_{t_0}^{t} d\tau \delta \omega'(r' - u'(t - \tau), \tau) \cdot \nabla \omega'
+ \delta \omega(r' - u'(t - t_0), t_0),
\]

(22)

where \( \nabla' \omega' = \nabla_r \omega(r') \). We call this approximation “straight-line approximation” where the trajectory of the point vortex is straight. The value of \( t_0 \) is chosen to satisfy \( t - t_0 \gg t_c \) where \( t_c \) is a correlation time of the fluctuation. Substituting Eqs. (21) and (22) into the correlation term in Eq. (13), we obtain

\[
\langle \delta \omega' \delta \omega \rangle
\]
\[
= \left\langle \left( -\int_{t_0}^{t} d\tau \delta u(r' - u'(t - \tau), \tau) \cdot \nabla' \omega' \right) \right.
\times \left( -\int_{t_0}^{t} d\tau \delta u(r - u(t - \tau), \tau) \cdot \nabla \omega \right) \rightangle 
\times \left( -\int_{t_0}^{t} d\tau \delta u(r' - u'(t - \tau), \tau) \cdot \nabla' \omega' \right) \delta \omega(r - u(t - t_0), t_0) \right)
+ \left\langle \delta \omega(r' - u'(t - t_0), t_0) \left( -\int_{t_0}^{t} d\tau \delta u(r - u(t - \tau), \tau) \cdot \nabla \omega \right) \rightangle 
\times \left( -\int_{t_0}^{t} d\tau \delta u(r - u(t - t_0), t_0) \right)
+ \left\langle \delta \omega(r' - u'(t - t_0), t_0) \delta \omega(r - u(t - t_0), t_0) \right\rangle \quad (23)
\]
\[
= -\int_{t_0}^{t} d\tau \left\langle \delta u(r - u(t - \tau), \tau) \delta \omega' \right\rangle \cdot \nabla \omega 
- \int_{t_0}^{t} d\tau \left\langle \delta u(r' - u'(t - \tau), \tau) \delta \omega \right\rangle \cdot \nabla' \omega' + O(e^3) 
\approx \int_{t_0}^{t} d\tau \int dr'' F(r - u(t - \tau) - r'') \cdot \nabla \omega \left\langle \delta \omega(r'', \tau) \delta \omega' \right\rangle 
+ \int_{t_0}^{t} d\tau \int dr'' F(r' - u'(t - \tau) - r'') \cdot \nabla' \omega' \left\langle \delta \omega(r'', \tau) \delta \omega' \right\rangle. \quad (24)
\]
\[
\approx \int_{t_0}^{t} d\tau \int dr'' F(r - u(t - \tau) - r'') \cdot \nabla \omega \left\langle \delta \omega(r'', \tau) \delta \omega' \right\rangle 
+ \int_{t_0}^{t} d\tau \int dr'' F(r' - u'(t - \tau) - r'') \cdot \nabla' \omega' \left\langle \delta \omega(r'', \tau) \delta \omega' \right\rangle. \quad (25)
\]

When obtaining formula (24), we assume that the first term in formula (23) is negligible as it has two nablas. We drop the last term as it should have a factor of \(1/(t - t_0)\) and we focus on \(t - t_0 \gg t_c\) case. The time is shifted from \(t_0\) to \(t\) using the straight-line approximation. When rewriting formula (24) as (25), Eq. (17) is used.

Inserting Eq. (25) into Eq. (14), the following intermediate results are obtained:

\[
D \cdot \nabla \omega = \int_{t_0}^{t} d\tau \int dr' \int dr'' F(r - r') F(r - u(t - \tau) - r'') \cdot \nabla \omega 
\times \left\langle \delta \omega(r'', \tau) \delta \omega' \right\rangle, \quad (26)
\]
\[
V \omega = -\int_{t_0}^{t} d\tau \int dr' \int dr'' F(r - r') F(r' - u'(t - \tau) - r'') \cdot \nabla' \omega' 
\times \left\langle \delta \omega(r'', \tau) \delta \omega' \right\rangle. \quad (27)
\]

It should be noted that the diffusion term can be expressed in the following modified Kubo formula:

\[
D = \int_{t_0}^{t} d\tau \langle \delta u(r, t) \delta u(r - u(t - \tau), \tau) \rangle. \quad (28)
\]
IV. EVALUATION OF DIFFUSION AND DRIFT TERMS

As the expression of the diffusion term (26) is very similar to that of the drift term (27), the detailed derivation for diffusion term only is shown:

\[
\langle \delta \omega(r'', \tau) \delta \omega' \rangle \\
= \langle [\dot{\omega}(r'', \tau) - \omega(r'', \tau)] [\dot{\omega}' - \omega'] \rangle \\
= \langle \dot{\omega}(r'', \tau) \dot{\omega}' \rangle - \omega(r'', \tau) \omega' \\
= \sum_{i=1}^{N} \Omega^2 \delta(r'' - r_i(\tau)) \delta(r' - r_i(t)) \\
+ \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j \neq i} \Omega^2 \delta(r'' - r_i(\tau)) \delta(r' - r_j(t)) \\
- \omega(r'', \tau) \omega'. \quad (29)
\]

The first term in the last result in Eq. (29) corresponds the case of \(i = j\), and the second term corresponds the case of \(i \neq j\).

For the \(i = j\) case, the formula is rewritten as

\[
\sum_{i=1}^{N} \Omega^2 \delta(r'' - r_i(\tau)) \delta(r' - r_i(t)) \\
= \sum_{i=1}^{N} \Omega^2 \delta(r'' - r_i(\tau) - r' + r_i(t)) \delta(r' - r_i(t)) \\
= \sum_{i=1}^{N} \Omega^2 \langle \delta(r'' - r_i(\tau) - r' + r_i(t)) \delta(r' - r_i(t)) \rangle. \quad (30)
\]

Here we introduce a stochastic process to evaluate \(r_i(t) - r_i(\tau)\):

\[
r_i(t) - r_i(\tau) = \int_{\tau}^{t} u(r(\tau'), \tau') d\tau' + \xi \approx u'(t - \tau) + \xi. \quad (31)
\]

The first term in Eq. (31) represents the straight-line approximation and the second term represents a Brownian motion. The stochastic process represented by \(\langle \cdot \rangle_\xi\) includes all the possible motion to reach position \(r_i\) at time \(t\). Then, Eq. (30) can be rewritten as

\[
\sum_{i=1}^{N} \Omega^2 \langle \delta(r'' - r_i(\tau) - r' + r_i(t)) \delta(r' - r_i(t)) \rangle \\
= \sum_{i=1}^{N} \Omega^2 \langle \delta(r'' - r' + u'(t - \tau) + \xi) \rangle_\xi \langle \delta(r' - r_i(t)) \rangle \\
= \langle \delta(r'' - r' + u'(t - \tau) + \xi) \rangle_\xi \Omega \omega'. \quad (32)
\]
For the $i \neq j$ case, we introduce an approximation that correlation between the particles can be neglected

$$
\sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j \neq i}^{N} \Omega^2 \langle \delta(r'') - r_i(\tau) \rangle \langle \delta(r' - r_j(t)) \rangle \\
\approx \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j \neq i}^{N} \Omega^2 \langle \delta(r'') - r_i(\tau) \rangle \langle \delta(r' - r_j(t)) \rangle.
$$

(33)

Also we assume the followings:

$$
\sum_{i=1}^{N} \Omega \langle \delta(r'') - r_i(\tau) \rangle = \omega(r'', \tau) = N \Omega \langle \delta(r'' - r_i(\tau)) \rangle.
$$

(34)

Inserting Eq. (34) into Eq. (33), we obtain

$$
\sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j \neq i}^{N} \Omega^2 \langle \delta(r'') - r_i(\tau) \rangle \langle \delta(r' - r_j(t)) \rangle \\
= \left( \sum_{i=1}^{N} \Omega \langle \delta(r'' - r_i(\tau)) \rangle \right) \times \left( \sum_{j \neq i}^{N} \Omega \langle \delta(r' - r_j(t)) \rangle \right) \\
= N \Omega \omega(r'', \tau) (N - 1) \Omega \frac{\omega'}{N \Omega} \\
= \omega(r'', \tau) \omega' - \frac{1}{N} \omega(r'', \tau) \omega'.
$$

(35)

Combining the results of $i = j$ and $i \neq j$ cases, we rewrite Eq. (29) as

$$
\langle \delta \omega(r'', \tau) \delta \omega(r', t) \rangle \\
= \Omega \langle \delta(r'' - r' + u'(t - \tau) + \xi) \rangle \omega' \\
- \frac{1}{N} \omega(r'', \tau) \omega'.
$$

(36)

The two terms in the right hand side of Eq. (36) are the same order terms as we request the total circulation $N \Omega$ constant. To proceed with the evaluation, a conservation law is introduced

$$
\int dr' \langle \delta \omega(r'', \tau) \delta \omega' \rangle = 0.
$$

(37)

Inserting Eq. (36) into Eq. (37), we obtain

$$
\int dr' \left[ \Omega \langle \delta(r'' - r' + u'(t - \tau) + \xi) \rangle \omega' \\
- \frac{1}{N} \omega(r'', \tau) \omega' \right]
$$
This equation yields

\[
\omega(r'', \tau) = \int dq' \langle \delta(r'' - q' + u(q')(t - \tau) + \xi) \rangle \omega(q', t)
\]  

(39)

where \(dr'\) is replaced by \(dq'\) to avoid ambiguity. This equation enables that all the quantities at \(\tau\) is converted by ones at \(t\). Inserting Eqs. (36) and (39) into Eq. (26), we obtain

\[
D \cdot \nabla \omega
\]

\[
= \Omega \int_{t_0}^{t} dt \int dr' \int dr'' F(r - r') F(r - u(t - \tau) - r'') \cdot \nabla \omega \\
\times \langle \delta(r'' - r' + u'(t - \tau) + \xi) \rangle \omega'
\]

\[
- \frac{1}{N} \int_{t_0}^{t} dt \int dr' \int dr'' F(r - r') F(r - u(t - \tau) - r'') \cdot \nabla \omega \\
\times \omega' \int dq' \langle \delta(r'' - q' + u(q')(t - \tau) + \xi) \rangle \omega(q', t)
\]

\[
= - \frac{1}{N} \int dr' F(r - r') \int_{t_0}^{t} d\tau \int dq' \langle F(r - q' - (u - u(q'))(t - \tau) + \xi) \rangle \omega(q', t) \\
\times \nabla \omega(q', t)
\]  

(40)

We proceed with the evaluation of the second term in Eq. (40):

\[
= - \frac{1}{N} \int dr' F(r - r') \int_{t_0}^{t} d\tau \int \frac{dk}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{\hat{z} \times ik}{|k|^2} \cdot \nabla \omega \\
\times \int dq' \exp[ik \cdot (r - q' - (u - u(q'))(t - \tau))] \langle \exp(ik \cdot \xi) \rangle \omega(q', t)
\]  

(41)

To rewrite formula (41) as (42), we use the Fourier transformation:

\[
F(r - q' - (u - u(q'))(t - \tau))
\]

\[
= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int d\hat{z} \int \frac{dk}{|k|^2} \exp(i\hat{z} \cdot k) \int dq' \langle \exp(i\hat{z} \cdot k) \rangle \omega(q', t)
\]

(42)
The term \( \langle \exp(i k \cdot \xi) \rangle \) represents a Brownian motion of the point vortices with diffusion tensor \( D \) and is evaluated by the cumulant expansion:

\[
\langle \exp(i k \cdot \xi) \rangle \approx \exp\left( -\frac{k \cdot D \cdot k}{2} (t - \tau) \right) = \exp(-\nu(t - \tau))
\]

where \( \nu \) is a small positive parameter. Inserting the following formula into Eq. (42)

\[
\int_0^t d\tau \exp[-i k \cdot (u - u(q')) - \nu(t - \tau)]
\]

\[
\approx \pi \delta(k \cdot (u - u(q'))) - \frac{i k \cdot (u - u(q'))}{|k \cdot (u - u(q'))|^2 + \nu^2},
\]

we obtain

\[
-\frac{1}{N} \int dr' F(r - r') \int \frac{dk}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{i k \cdot k}{|k|^2} \cdot \nabla \omega
\]

\[
\times \int dq' \exp[i k \cdot (r - q' - (u - u(q'))(t - \tau))] \langle \exp(i k \cdot \xi) \rangle \]

\[
\times \omega'(q', t)
\]

\[
= -\frac{1}{N} \int dr' F(r - r') \int \frac{dk}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{i k \cdot k}{|k|^2} \cdot \nabla \omega
\]

\[
\times \int dq' \left[ \pi \delta(k \cdot (u - u(q'))) - \frac{i k \cdot (u - u(q'))}{|k \cdot (u - u(q'))|^2 + \nu^2} \right] \exp(i k \cdot (r - q'))
\]

\[
\times \omega'(q', t).
\]

We substitute \( r + q'' \) for \( q' \) and expand \( u(q') \) and \( \omega(q') \) in the form of Taylor series and retain the zero-th order terms only:

\[
u(q') = u(r) + q'' \cdot \nabla u(r) + O(\epsilon),
\]

\[
\omega(q') = \omega(r + q'') = \omega(r) + O(\epsilon).
\]

Inserting Eqs. (47) and (48) into Eq. (46), we finally obtain

\[
-\frac{1}{N} \int dr' F(r - r') \int \frac{dk}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{i k \cdot k}{|k|^2} \cdot \nabla \omega
\]

\[
\times \int dq' \left[ \pi \delta(k \cdot (u - u(q'))) - \frac{i k \cdot (u - u(q'))}{|k \cdot (u - u(q'))|^2 + \nu^2} \right] \exp(i k \cdot (r - q'))
\]

\[
\times \omega'(q', t)
\]

\[
= -\frac{1}{N} \int dr' F(r - r') \int \frac{dk}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{i k \cdot k}{|k|^2} \cdot \nabla \omega
\]

\[
\times \int dq'' \left[ \pi \delta(-k \cdot (q'' \cdot \nabla) u) - \frac{i k \cdot (q'' \cdot \nabla) u}{|k \cdot (q'' \cdot \nabla) u|^2 + \nu^2} \right] \exp(-i k \cdot q'')
\]

\[
\times \omega'.
\]
It is found that Eq. (49) substituting \( k = -k \) and \( q'' = -q'' \) changes its sign. Thus it is concluded that the integral equals zero, i.e. the second term in Eq. (40) has zero contribution and only the first term remains. The obtained formula for the diffusion term is as follows:

\[
-G \cdot \nabla \omega = \Omega \int dr' F(r - r') \int \frac{dk}{(2\pi)^2} \exp(ik \cdot (r - r')) \frac{\hat{z} \times ik}{|k|^2} \cdot \omega' \nabla \omega \\
\times \left[ \pi \delta(k \cdot (u - u')) - \frac{ik \cdot (u - u')}{|k \cdot (u - u')|^2 + \varepsilon^2} \right].
\]  

(50)

The similar calculation can be adapted for the drift term. For this case, the following conservation law is used:

\[
\int dr \left( \sigma(r + r', t) \sigma(r, t) \right) = 0.
\]  

(51)

The whole result including both diffusion and drift terms are given by

\[
\Gamma = -G \cdot \nabla \omega + V \omega \\
= -\Omega \int dr' \int \frac{dk}{(2\pi)^2} \int \frac{dk'}{(2\pi)^2} \exp(ik \cdot (r - r')) \\
\times \left[ \pi \delta(k \cdot (u - u')) - \frac{ik \cdot (u - u')}{|k \cdot (u - u')|^2 + \varepsilon^2} \right] \\
\times \frac{\hat{z} \times ik' \hat{z} \times ik}{|k'|^2 |k|^2} \cdot (\omega' \nabla \omega - \omega' \nabla \omega')
\]  

(52)

where we have used Eq. (43).

V. SPACE-AVERAGED COLLISION TERM

Equation (52) includes the oscillatory term \( \exp(ik \cdot (r - r')) \). To reveal characteristics of the obtained collision term, we need to calculate the space average of the collision term to drop the high-frequency component. Space average is calculated over the small rectangular area \( \Lambda \) with sides both \( 2L \) located at \( r \). The space average of the diffusion flux \( \Gamma \) given by Eq. (52) is defined by

\[
\langle \Gamma \rangle_s \equiv \Gamma_s(r) = \frac{1}{|\Lambda(r)|} \int_{\Lambda(r)} dr'' \Gamma(r'').
\]  

(53)

We assume that the macroscopic variables such as \( u \) and \( \omega \) may be constant inside \( \Lambda(r) \) and only the term \( \exp(i(k + k') \cdot (r - r')) \) should be space-averaged:

\[
\langle \exp(i(k + k') \cdot (r - r')) \rangle_s
\]
\[
\begin{align*}
\Gamma_s (r) &= \frac{1}{(2L)^2} \int_{-L}^{L} dx'' \int_{-L}^{L} dy'' \exp(i(k + k') \cdot r'') \exp(-i(k + k') \cdot r') \\
&\approx \left( \frac{\pi}{L} \right)^2 \delta(k + k') \exp(-i(k + k') \cdot r') \\
&= \left( \frac{\pi}{L} \right)^2 \delta(k + k')
\end{align*}
\]

where \( r'' = (x'', y'') \). Thus, space-averaged diffusion flux is given by

\[
\Gamma_s (r) = -\Omega \left( \frac{\pi}{L} \right)^2 \int dr' \int \frac{dk}{(2\pi)^4} \pi \delta(k \cdot (u - u')) \\
\times \frac{\hat{z} \times k \hat{z} \times k}{|k|^2 |k'|^2} \cdot (\omega' \nabla \omega - \omega' \nabla' \omega').
\]

In Eq. (55), we omit the imaginary part as the collision term consists of only the real part.

Further integration over \( k \) in Eq. (55) can be performed. The integral concerning \( k \) is as follows:

\[
\int dk \delta(k \cdot (u - u')) \frac{(\hat{z} \times k)(\hat{z} \times k)}{|k|^4}.
\]

Dividing \( k \) into the parallel and the perpendicular components and inserting them into Eq. (56),

\[
k = k_\parallel \hat{n}_\parallel + k_\perp \hat{n}_\perp,
\]

\[
\hat{n}_\parallel = \frac{u - u'}{|u - u'|},
\]

\[
\hat{n}_\perp = \hat{z} \times \hat{n}_\parallel,
\]

we obtain

\[
\int dk \delta(k \cdot (u - u')) \frac{(\hat{z} \times k)(\hat{z} \times k)}{|k|^4}
\]

\[
= \int dk_\parallel \int dk_\perp \delta(k_\parallel |u - u'|) \\
\times \frac{[\hat{z} \times (k_\parallel \hat{n}_\parallel + k_\perp \hat{n}_\perp)] [\hat{z} \times (k_\parallel \hat{n}_\parallel + k_\perp \hat{n}_\perp)]}{|k_\parallel^2 + k_\perp^2|^2}
\]

\[
= \int dk_\perp \frac{1}{|u - u'| k_\perp} \left( \frac{1}{|k_\perp|} \hat{z} \times k_\perp \hat{n}_\perp \right)(r'' \cdot k_\perp \hat{n}_\perp)
\]

\[
= \int dk_\perp \frac{1}{|u - u'| k_\perp} \frac{1}{k_\perp^2} \frac{1}{|u - u'|} \frac{1}{k_\perp^2} \frac{1}{|u - u'|}
\]

\[
= \frac{(u - u')(u - u')}{|u - u'|^3} \frac{2}{k_\min}
\]

\[
= \frac{(u - u')(u - u')}{|u - u'|^3} \frac{2}{k_\min}
\]

\[
(58)
\]
where parameter $k_{\text{min}}$ is introduced to regularize a singularity and determined by the largest wave length that does not exceed a system size, namely $k_{\text{min}} = 2\pi/R$ where $R$ is a characteristic system size determined by an initial distribution of the vortic es.

Finally, we obtain the following formulae for the diffusion and drift:

\[ \Gamma_s(r) \equiv -D_s(r) \cdot \nabla \omega + V_s(r)\omega, \]  
\[ D_s = \frac{\Omega}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \frac{1}{k_{\text{min}}} \int dr' \frac{(u - u')(u - u')\omega'}{|u - u'|^3}, \]  
\[ V_s = -\frac{\Omega}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \frac{1}{k_{\text{min}}} \int dr' \frac{(u - u')(u - u') \cdot \nabla' \omega'}{|u - u'|^3}. \]

In Eqs. (60) and (61), two unknown parameters $L$ and $k_{\text{min}}$ remain. We assume that $L = gR$ where $g$ is a size factor ($g \ll 1$). If we set $g = 1/4\pi$, Eq. (59) is rewritten as

\[ \Gamma_s(r) = -\frac{\Omega}{R} \int dr' \frac{(u - u')(u - u')}{|u - u'|^3} \cdot (\omega' \nabla \omega - \omega \nabla' \omega'). \]  

A. Collision term in local and global equilibrium states

At first, let us examine if the collisional effect (62) disappears in a local equilibrium state. We rewrite Eq. (62) into a symbolic form:

\[ \Gamma_s(r) = -\frac{\Omega}{R} \int dr' \gamma[\omega, \psi; \omega', \psi'] \]  

where $\gamma$ is a functional of $\omega$, $\psi$, $\omega'$, and $\psi'$. Consider a state where temperature is locally uniform in each small region in the system. We call this state the local equilibrium state in which the local equilibrium condition is satisfied:

\[ \omega_{\text{leq}} = \omega_0 \exp(-\beta \Omega \psi_{\text{leq}}). \]  

Inserting Eq. (64) into $\gamma$ in Eq. (62), we find that

\[ \gamma[\omega_{\text{leq}}, \psi_{\text{leq}}; \omega'_{\text{leq}}, \psi'_{\text{leq}}] = \frac{(u_{\text{leq}} - u'_{\text{leq}})}{|u_{\text{leq}} - u'_{\text{leq}}|^3} (u_{\text{leq}} - u'_{\text{leq}}) \cdot (\omega'_{\text{leq}} \nabla \omega_{\text{leq}} - \omega_{\text{leq}} \nabla' \omega'_{\text{leq}}) \]
\[ = -\beta \Omega \omega_{\text{leq}} \omega'_{\text{leq}} \frac{(u_{\text{leq}} - u'_{\text{leq}})}{|u_{\text{leq}} - u'_{\text{leq}}|^3} (u_{\text{leq}} - u'_{\text{leq}}) \cdot (\nabla \psi_{\text{leq}} - \nabla' \psi'_{\text{leq}}) \]
\[ = 0 \]  

(65)
where \( \mathbf{u}_{\text{eq}} = -\hat{z} \times \nabla \psi_{\text{eq}} \) is used. As \( \mathbf{u}_{\text{eq}} - \mathbf{u}'_{\text{eq}} \) is perpendicular to \( \nabla \psi_{\text{eq}} - \nabla' \psi'_{\text{eq}} \), \( \gamma \) is equal to zero and this result indicates a detailed balance is achieved. When the system reaches a global thermal equilibrium state \([5]\)

\[
\omega_{\text{eq}} = \omega_0 \exp(-\beta \Omega \psi_{\text{eq}}),
\]

we obtain

\[
\nabla' \omega'_{\text{eq}} = \omega'_{\text{eq}} \frac{\nabla' \omega'_{\text{eq}}}{\omega_{\text{eq}}}
= -\beta \Omega \omega'_{\text{eq}} (\nabla' \psi'_{\text{eq}} - \nabla \psi_{\text{eq}} + \nabla \psi_{\text{eq}}).
\]

As \( (\mathbf{u}_{\text{eq}} - \mathbf{u}'_{\text{eq}}) \cdot (\nabla' \psi'_{\text{eq}} - \nabla \psi_{\text{eq}}) = 0 \), the drift term in Eq. \((62)\) is rewritten as

\[
\mathbf{V}_{s,\text{eq}} = -\beta \Omega D_{s,\text{eq}} \cdot \nabla \psi_{\text{eq}}
\]

which is a counterpart of the Einstein relation \([23]\).

**B. Energy-conservative property of collision term**

Time derivative of the total mean field energy \( E \) is given by

\[
\frac{dE}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} \int d\mathbf{r} \int d\mathbf{r}' G(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') \left( \frac{\partial \omega'}{\partial t} \omega \omega' + \omega' \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial t} \right)
= \int d\mathbf{r} \psi \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial t},
\]

where

\[
E \equiv \frac{1}{2} \int d\mathbf{r} \psi \omega
= \frac{1}{2} \int d\mathbf{r} \int d\mathbf{r}' G(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r'}) \omega' \omega.
\]

Note that the mean field energy \( E \) is different from the system energy \( \mathcal{H} \) of the point vortex system

\[
\mathcal{H} = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \sum_i \sum_{j \neq i} \Omega_i \Omega_j \ln |\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|.
\]

Inserting the space-averaged equation of motion

\[
\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u} \omega) = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{\Gamma}_s
\]

\(72\)
into Eq. (69), we obtain
\[
\frac{dE}{dt} = \int dr \rho (-\nabla \cdot (u \omega) - \nabla \cdot \Gamma_s)
\]
\[
= \int dr \nabla \psi \cdot u \omega + \int dr \nabla \psi \cdot \Gamma_s
\]
\[
= \int dr \nabla \psi \cdot \Gamma_s
\]
\[
= -\frac{\Omega}{R} \int dr \int dr' \nabla \psi \cdot \frac{(u - u')(u - u')}{|u - u'|^3} \cdot (\omega' \nabla \omega - \omega \nabla' \omega').
\] (73)

By permuting the dummy variables \( r \) and \( r' \) in Eq. (73) and taking the half-sum of the resulting expressions, we obtain
\[
\frac{dE}{dt} = -\frac{\Omega}{2R} \int dr \int dr' \nabla \psi \cdot \frac{(u - u')(u - u')}{|u - u'|^3} \cdot (\omega' \nabla \omega - \omega \nabla' \omega') \times (u - u') \cdot (\omega' \nabla \omega - \omega \nabla' \omega')
\]
\[
= 0.
\] (74)

We conclude that the obtained collision term conserves the total mean field energy.

C. H theorem

The entropy function \( S \) is defined by using the H function:
\[
S = -k_B H,
\] (75)
\[
H = \int dr \frac{\omega}{\Omega} \ln \frac{\omega}{\Omega} + \text{const.}
\]
\[
= \frac{1}{\Omega} \int dr \omega \ln \omega - N \ln \Omega + \text{const.}
\] (76)

The time derivative of the \( H \) function is given by
\[
\frac{dH}{dt} = \frac{1}{\Omega} \int dr \left( \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial t} (\ln \omega + 1) \right)
\]
\[
= \frac{1}{\Omega} \int dr (-\nabla \cdot (u \omega) - \nabla \cdot \Gamma_s)(\ln \omega + 1)
\]
\[
= \frac{1}{\Omega} \int dr u \omega \cdot \nabla \ln \omega + \frac{1}{\Omega} \int dr \Gamma_s \cdot \nabla \ln \omega
\]
\[
= \frac{1}{\Omega} \int dr (\nabla \cdot u) \omega + \frac{1}{\Omega} \int dr \Gamma_s \cdot \nabla \ln \omega
\]
\[
= \frac{1}{\Omega} \int dr \Gamma_s \cdot \nabla \ln \omega.
\] (77)

Inserting Eq. (62) into Eq. (77), we obtain
\[
\frac{dH}{dt} = -\frac{1}{R} \int dr \int dr' \frac{\nabla \omega}{\omega} \cdot \frac{(u - u')(u - u')}{|u - u'|^3} \cdot (\omega' \nabla \omega - \omega \nabla' \omega')
\] (78)
By permuting the dummy variables $r$ and $r'$ in Eq. (78) and taking the half-sum of the resulting expressions, we obtain

$$\frac{dH}{dt} = -\frac{1}{2R} \int dr \int dr' \frac{1}{|r-r'|} \left( \omega' \nabla \omega - \omega \nabla' \omega' \right) \cdot \frac{u - u'}{|u - u'|^3} \times (u - u') \cdot (\omega' \nabla \omega - \omega \nabla' \omega')$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2R} \int dr \int dr' \frac{1}{|r-r'|} \left| (u - u') \cdot (\omega' \nabla \omega - \omega \nabla' \omega') \right|^2 \frac{1}{|u - u'|^3} \leq 0 \quad (79)$$

The integrand of Eq. (79) is positive or equal to zero, and $dH/dt$ is negative or equal to zero. It is concluded that the entropy function $S$ (75) is the monotonically increasing function.

VI. DISCUSSION

We have demonstrated the simple and explicit formula of the Fokker-Planck type collision term for nonaxisymmetric point vortex profile without the collective effect. It should be noted that it does not include the implicit term like Eq. (26) in Ref. [24]. The collision term exhibits several important properties: (a) it includes the nonlocal, long-range interaction; (b) it conserves the mean field energy; (c) it satisfies the H theorem; (d) its effect vanishes in each local equilibrium region with the same temperature. When the system reaches a global equilibrium state, the collision term completely converge to zero all over the system.

There are several outstanding issues remaining. First, the final formulae (60) and (61) includes unknown parameters $k_{min}$ and $L$. Second, the integrals in Eqs. (60) for $D$ and (61) for $V$ contain the divergent integrand, although the combined term $\langle \Gamma \rangle_S = -D \cdot \nabla \omega + V \omega$ is regularized. A more rigorous justification will be needed for fixing the above two issues. Finally, although our result can be adopted for an axisymmetric case, it does not yield the same results presented by Dubin, O’Neil [21, 22] and Chavanis [23, 24]. A reason remains unknown yet.
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