

## CORRIGENDA

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*“Hydromagnetic stability of thin self-gravitating disks and spiral structure.”* By  
R. J. Hosking. pp. 505–19

A term  $(-J_{0\theta} B_{0z}/c\sigma_0^2)\sigma_1$  is omitted from the right-hand side of equation (16b) (cf. equations (2) and (12)). Equation (17) should therefore read

$$\left(\pm \frac{2\pi i}{\mathcal{R}} G\sigma_0\right) D^2 v_{1r} + \left(\kappa^2 - (\omega - m\Omega)^2 + \frac{B_{0z}^2}{2\pi\sigma_0} \alpha\right) Dv_{1r} = 0,$$

so that equation (19) becomes  $\omega_r(\omega_r - m\Omega) = 0$ . Accordingly, the reference to the introduction of overstability is incorrect, for it follows that the poloidal equilibrium magnetic field is wholly stabilizing. There is stability when

$$B_{0z} \gtrsim (4\pi^2 G\sigma_0^2/\mathcal{R})^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

and it is notable that for the parameters  $\mathcal{R} = 0.1$  and  $\sigma_0 = 10^{-3} \text{ g cm}^{-2}$  the critical magnitude is about  $5 \mu\text{G}$ . Consequently, it is possible for a magnetic field to inhibit the development of a spiral pattern due to self-gravitation, at least in the magnetically responsive gas component of a galaxy. It is interesting to speculate whether galaxies without spiral structure may possess a significant poloidal magnetic field.

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*“Calculation of the prompt gamma energy of individual fission fragments from the prompt neutron numbers.”* By Shankar Mukherji, K. B. Lal, and Tejasvi Sharma.  
pp. 279–89.

Page 285, Section III(d). Replace  $-0.00036 \text{ MeV}^{-1}$  by  $-0.0036 \text{ MeV}^{-1}$ .

Page 289, equation (A4). Replace by

$$\left(\frac{\partial E_{\text{KT}}}{\partial \bar{\alpha}_2}\right)_r \approx - \frac{Z_{\text{H}} Z_{\text{L}} e^2}{r_0 (A_{\text{H}}^{1/3} + A_{\text{L}}^{1/3}) (1 + \bar{\alpha}_2)^2},$$

Page 289, final equation. Replace the right-hand side by  $-0.0036 \text{ MeV}^{-1}$ .