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Lagrangian and Hamiltonian structure of magnetofluid models with gyroviscous-like contributions ALEXANDER WURM, Western New England University, P.J. MORRISON, University of Texas at Austin — Many magnetofluid theories, like ideal MHD and various reduced models, exhibit a noncanonical Hamiltonian structure when expressed in Eulerian variables [1]. Of particular interest are magnetofluid models that systematically include contributions due to finite ion gyro-radii. Building on the work of Ref. [2] we generalize the so-called gyro-map to three dimensional magnetofluid theories. Starting with the 3D ideal MHD noncanonical Poisson bracket [1] and a Hamiltonian including general gyroviscous terms, we derive equations of motions and compare them to, e.g., Braginskii [3] in the collisionless limit. In addition we explore the Lagrangian version of these theories which use Hamilton's principle to derive the equations of motion [4].

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