

Lecture II - Adding in Electromagnetic Waves 10/03/17

from last time...

Wave Energy: Electrostatic Waves

Energy content of a wave

$$W_{\text{wave}} = \frac{|E_k|^2}{8\pi} \frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_k} [\omega_k \epsilon(k, \omega_k)] \rightarrow \text{particle sloshing energy plus electric field energy}$$

* does NOT include energy of the wave interacting with resonant particles

In getting to the above, we used:

- Reality Conditions -

where $\psi(\vec{x}, t) = \psi_k e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x} - i\omega_k t} + \psi_{-k} e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x} - i\omega_{-k} t}$ MUST = wholly real

$$\psi_{-k} = \psi_k^*$$

$$\omega_{-k} = -\omega_k^*$$

& from linear theory

$$\chi_{-k} = \chi_k^*$$

[this is a sum over + & - k]

→ The sign of k does not affect damping or growth; it's the slope $\frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial \omega} \big|_{\omega_k}$ that determines that

$$\dot{W}_p = -i \sum_k \omega_k \chi_k |E_k|^2$$

$$= \omega_k \chi_k + \omega_{-k} \chi_{-k}$$

$$= \omega_k \chi_k - \omega_k^* \chi_k^*$$

→ real component is zero, must extract imaginary component

$\text{Im}\{\omega_k \chi_k\}$ has two contributions

• imaginary part of χ

$$\omega = \omega_R + i\gamma_k$$

$$= \text{Im} \left\{ \omega_R i \chi_I + \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_k} (\omega_k \chi)}_{= \chi_R} \bigg|_{\omega_k} i \gamma_k \right\}$$

then

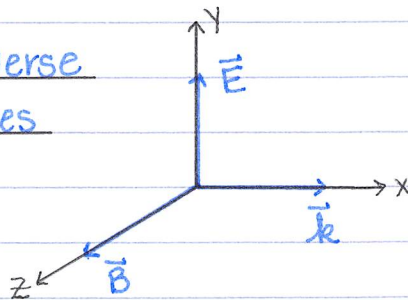
$$\dot{W}_p = \sum_k \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_k} (\omega_k \chi) \bigg|_{\omega_k} 2\gamma_k + 2\omega_R \chi_I \right] \frac{|E_k|^2}{2}$$

resonant stuff, which we dropped

Electromagnetic Waves

* No ambient magnetic field, but the wave itself produces a field

Transverse Waves



Maxwell's Equations

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{J} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

$$\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} + \nabla \times \vec{E} = 0$$

We need the current, $\vec{J}$

→ start with the linearized Vlasov eqn.

$$-i\omega \hat{f} + i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{v} \hat{f} + \frac{q}{m} \left(\hat{\vec{E}} + \frac{1}{c} \vec{v} \times \hat{\vec{B}} \right) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{v}} f_0 = 0$$

new contribution from generated $\vec{B}$ -field

BUT! This goes away since $\frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{v}} f_0 \propto \vec{v}$, f_0 Maxwellian

$$\begin{aligned} (\vec{v} \times \vec{B}) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{v}} f_0 &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{v}} \cdot (\vec{v} \times \vec{B}) \\ &= \vec{B} \cdot \underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{v}} \times \vec{v} \right)}_0 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

This leaves us with the distribution function

$$\hat{f} = -\frac{q}{m} \frac{\hat{\vec{E}} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{v}} f_0}{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{v} - \omega)}$$

previously, we've been writing this w.r.t. $\hat{\psi} = i\hat{\vec{E}}/\vec{k}$

Use this to find $\vec{J}$

$$\vec{J} = \int d^3v q \vec{v} \hat{f} = q n \vec{u}$$

$$= -\frac{q^2}{m} \int d^3v \vec{v} \frac{\hat{\vec{E}} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{v}} f_0}{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{v} - \omega)}$$

but f_0 is Maxwellian

$$f_0 = \frac{n_0}{\pi^{3/2} v_t^3} e^{-v^2/v_t^2} \rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{v}} f_0 = -\frac{2\vec{v}}{v_t^2} f_0$$

$$\rightarrow = +\frac{q^2}{m} \int d^3v \vec{v} \frac{(+2/v_t^2) \hat{\vec{E}} \cdot \vec{v} f_0}{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{v} - \omega)} \quad \begin{matrix} \nwarrow \hat{\vec{E}} \propto \hat{y} \\ \nearrow \vec{k} \propto \hat{x} \end{matrix}$$

$$\hat{\vec{J}} = \frac{2q^2}{m v_t^2} \int d^3v \frac{\vec{v} \hat{E}_y v_y f_0}{i(k_x v_x - \omega)}$$

→ only term that survives is in the y-direction →

$$\hat{J}_y = \frac{2q^2}{m v_t^2} \int d^3v \frac{v_y^2 f_0 \hat{E}_y}{i(k_x v_x - \omega)}$$

$$= \frac{2q^2}{m v_t^2} \int dv_x \int dv_z \int dv_y \frac{v_y^2 \hat{E}_y}{i(k_x v_x - \omega)} \frac{n_0}{\pi^{3/2} v_t^3} e^{-v^2/v_t^2}$$

$$= \frac{v_t^2}{2} \frac{f_0 \hat{E}_y}{i(k_x v_x - \omega)}$$

$$= \frac{2q^2}{m v_t^2} \int dv_x \int dv_z \frac{v_t^2}{2} \frac{\hat{E}_y}{i(k_x v_x - \omega)} \frac{n_0}{(\pi^{3/2} v_t^3)} e^{-v^2/v_t^2}$$

gives $(\sqrt{\pi} v_{th})^{-1}$

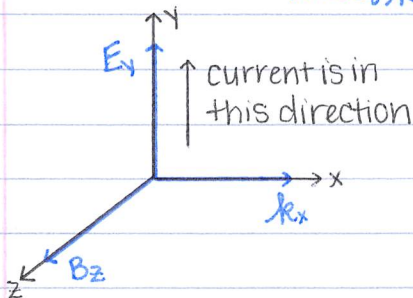
$$= \frac{n_0 q^2}{k_x m i} \hat{E}_y \int \frac{dv_x}{\sqrt{\pi} v_t} \frac{1}{v_x - \omega/k_x} e^{-v_x^2/v_t^2}$$

recognize this as a Z-function (ref: Lec. #9)

$$= Z\left(\frac{\omega}{k_x v_t}\right) \rightarrow \zeta = \frac{\omega}{k_x v_t}$$

defined for $\text{Im}\{\zeta\} > 0$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\vec{J}} = \hat{J}_y \hat{y} = \hat{y} \frac{q^2 \hat{E}_y n_0}{i m v_t k_x} Z\left(\frac{\omega}{k_x v_t}\right)$$



Plug back into Maxwell's Equations
(assuming wave-form)

$$\underbrace{\nabla \times \vec{B}}_{\nabla \rightarrow i\vec{k}} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{J} + \frac{1}{c} \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{E}}_{\partial/\partial t \rightarrow i\omega}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} i\vec{k} \times \hat{\vec{B}} &= \frac{4\pi}{c} \frac{q^2}{m} \frac{n_0}{i k_x v_t} Z\left(\frac{\omega}{k_x v_t}\right) \hat{\vec{E}} - \frac{i\omega}{c} \hat{\vec{E}} \\ -\frac{i\omega}{c} \hat{\vec{B}} + i\vec{k} \times \hat{\vec{E}} &= 0 \end{aligned} \right.$$

$$\rightarrow \hat{\vec{B}} = \frac{c}{\omega} \vec{k} \times \hat{\vec{E}}$$

Substituting for $\hat{\vec{B}}$ in the first equation...

$$i\vec{k} \times \left(\frac{c}{\omega} \vec{k} \times \hat{\vec{E}} \right) = \frac{4\pi}{c} \frac{q^2}{m} \frac{-n_0}{i k_x v_t} Z(\xi) \hat{\vec{E}} - \frac{i\omega}{c} \hat{\vec{E}}$$

↳ divide through

$$\vec{k} \times (\vec{k} \times \hat{\vec{E}}) = \left[\frac{-4\pi}{c^2} \frac{q^2}{m} \frac{n_0}{k_x v_t} Z(\xi) - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \right] \hat{\vec{E}}$$

$$\omega_{pe}^2 = 4\pi n_0 q^2 / m$$

$$\sim k^2 \hat{\vec{E}} \quad \xi = \omega / k_x v_t$$

$$+ k^2 \hat{\vec{E}} = \left[+ \frac{\omega_{pe}^2}{c^2} \xi Z(\xi) + \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \right] \hat{\vec{E}}$$

factor out ω^2/c^2

$$\Rightarrow k^2 \hat{\vec{E}} = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \epsilon_{\perp} \hat{\vec{E}}$$

$$\epsilon_{\perp} = 1 + \frac{\omega_{pe}^2}{\omega^2} \xi_e Z(\xi_e)$$

For $\hat{\vec{E}} \neq 0$ we require:

$$k^2 \hat{\vec{E}} = \omega^2 / c^2 \epsilon_{\perp} \hat{\vec{E}}$$

$$\frac{k^2 c^2}{\omega^2} = \epsilon_{\perp} = 1 + \frac{\omega_{pe}^2}{\omega^2} \xi_e Z(\xi_e)$$

$$\omega^2 = k^2 c^2 - \omega_{pe}^2 \xi_e Z(\xi_e)$$

{ Fun fact: Phase speed of these waves
exceeds the speed of light }

↳ This is okay! v_g , the group velocity, the velocity at which the wave envelope is moving, must be $< c$ since it carries both information and energy. v_p , the phase velocity, is the velocity of the peaks within the wave pulse (envelope).

- energy associated with the field is propagating at the pulse velocity

$$v_g = \sqrt{k^2 c^2 + \omega_p^2} / k = \omega(k) / k$$

Look @ the large argument limit: $\zeta = \omega/kv_t \gg 1$

$$Z(\zeta) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{ds}{\sqrt{\pi}} \frac{e^{-s^2}}{s - \zeta}$$

$$s \equiv \frac{v_x}{v_t}, \quad \zeta \equiv \frac{\omega}{kv_t}$$

$$\lim_{\zeta \gg 1} Z(\zeta) \approx -\frac{1}{\zeta}$$

then...

$$\epsilon_{\perp} = 1 + \frac{\omega_{pe}^2}{\omega^2} \zeta_e Z(\zeta_e) \rightarrow 1 + \frac{\omega_{pe}^2}{\omega^2} \cancel{\zeta_e} \left(\frac{-1}{\cancel{\zeta_e}} \right) = 1 - \frac{\omega_{pe}^2}{\omega^2}$$

↖ $\epsilon_{\parallel}$ in the cold plasma limit

$$\omega^2 = k^2 c^2 - \omega_{pe}^2 \zeta_e Z(\zeta_e) \rightarrow \underbrace{k^2 c^2 + \omega_{pe}^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega^2 = k^2 c^2 + \omega_{pe}^2$$

Dispersion relation for
Electromagnetic waves
in a plasma

What does this mean?

- Light waves propagate anywhere $k^2 c^2 > 0$

↳ that is, $\omega^2 - \omega_{pe}^2 > 0$ or $\omega > \omega_{pe}$ required for propagation

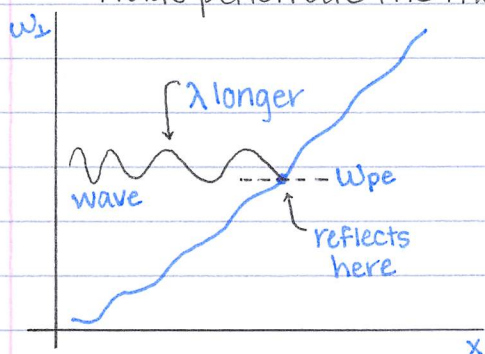
- Cut off for $\omega < \omega_{pe}$; $k^2 c^2 = \omega^2 - \omega_{pe}^2 < 0$

* note that this means that ham radios can communicate world wide as you can bounce signals off the ionosphere (known as "skip")

If negative ($k^2 c^2 < 0$) or $\omega < \omega_{pe} \rightarrow$ EM waves are reflected from
regions in which $\omega < \omega_{pe}$

• These are evanescent waves, which are oscillating electric and/or magnetic fields that decay in space but not in time

↳ fields penetrate the medium but power does not



⇒ You can bounce waves off the ionosphere for low enough frequency waves

[Better @ night — plasma boundary sharper]

- As $k \rightarrow 0$, phase speed $\rightarrow \infty$ (but that's okay — group velocity is still $< c$ and no information is propagating)
- No Landau damping for these waves

NOW: Put Electrostatic & Electromagnetic together
(still no ambient $\vec{B}$ -field)

General Dielectric Function

Begin by rewriting Maxwell's equations:

$$i\vec{k} \times \hat{\vec{B}} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \hat{\vec{J}} - \frac{i\omega}{c} \hat{\vec{E}} = -\frac{i\omega}{c} \hat{\vec{\epsilon}} \cdot \hat{\vec{E}}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \vec{k} \times \hat{\vec{B}} = -\frac{\omega}{c} \hat{\vec{\epsilon}} \cdot \hat{\vec{E}} \\ \text{and from before } -\hat{\vec{B}} = \frac{c}{\omega} \vec{k} \times \hat{\vec{E}} \end{array} \right\} \text{Put these together}$$

$$\vec{k} \times \left(\frac{c}{\omega} \vec{k} \times \hat{\vec{E}} \right) = -\frac{\omega}{c} \hat{\vec{\epsilon}} \cdot \hat{\vec{E}}$$

$$c^2/\omega^2 \underbrace{\vec{k} \times (\vec{k} \times \hat{\vec{E}})}_{= (\vec{k}\vec{k} - \mathbb{I}k^2) \cdot \hat{\vec{E}}} + \hat{\vec{\epsilon}} \cdot \hat{\vec{E}} = 0$$

eq. ①

↓ dot equation w/ $\vec{k}$ ↓

$$c^2/\omega^2 \vec{k} \cdot (\vec{k}\vec{k} - \mathbb{I}k^2) \cdot \hat{\vec{E}} + \vec{k} \cdot \hat{\vec{\epsilon}} \cdot \hat{\vec{E}} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{k} \cdot \hat{\vec{\epsilon}} \cdot \hat{\vec{E}} = 0$$

where

$$\epsilon_{||} = 1 - \frac{k_{De}^2}{2k^2} Z' \left(\frac{\omega}{k v_{te}} \right), \text{ given}$$

* derived in Lecture #10

** Cold plasma limit

$$\epsilon_{||} = \epsilon_{\perp} = 1 - \omega_{pe}^2/\omega^2$$

Returning to eq. ①

$$c^2/\omega^2 \vec{k} \times (\vec{k} \times \hat{\vec{E}}) + \hat{\vec{\epsilon}} \cdot \hat{\vec{E}} = 0$$

$$\underbrace{c^2/\omega^2 (\vec{k}\vec{k} - \mathbb{I}k^2)}_{1/k^2} \cdot \hat{\vec{E}} + \hat{\vec{\epsilon}} \cdot \hat{\vec{E}} = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{\vec{k}\vec{k}}{k^2} - \vec{I} \right) \cdot \hat{\vec{E}} = -\vec{\bar{\epsilon}} \cdot \hat{\vec{E}}$$

From this we can write

$$\vec{\bar{\epsilon}} = \epsilon_{\parallel} \frac{\vec{k}\vec{k}}{k^2} + \epsilon_{\perp} \left(\vec{I} - \frac{\vec{k}\vec{k}}{k^2} \right) \Rightarrow \text{satisfies } \vec{k} \cdot \vec{\bar{\epsilon}} \cdot \hat{\vec{E}} = 0$$

$$\epsilon_{\perp} = 1 + \frac{\omega_{pe}^2}{\omega^2} \zeta_e Z(\zeta_e)$$

what we just found taking
the large ζ_e limit

Combining these:

$$\left[\left(\frac{\vec{k}\vec{k}}{k^2} - \vec{I} \right) + \vec{\bar{\epsilon}} \right] \cdot \hat{\vec{E}} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\bar{G}} = \frac{c^2}{\omega^2} (\vec{k}\vec{k} - \vec{I}k^2) + \vec{\bar{\epsilon}}, \text{ where } \vec{\bar{G}} \cdot \hat{\vec{E}} = 0$$

General Dispersion Relation: $\det|\vec{\bar{G}}| = 0$

↳ Both ES, EM waves described here