

Lecture 15 - Evolution of Quasilinear Systems

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Quasilinear Equations for Pump-on-Tail Instability

$$\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \left\{ D(v) \frac{\partial f_0}{\partial v} \right\} = 0 \quad [\text{Diff. Eq.}]$$

$$D(v) = \frac{e^2}{m^2} \sum_k \frac{k^2 |\phi_k|^2 \gamma_k}{\gamma_k^2 + (\omega_k - kv)^2}$$

describe non-linear evolution

of distr. fn of particles in velocity space

(weak turbulence - no strong trapping)

from inter. w/ waves

$$\omega_k^2 = \omega_{pe}^2 \left(1 + \frac{\text{therm corr}}{\gamma_k} \right)$$

↑ ignore

(growth rate of instability)

How distr. fn evolves in time:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\phi_k|^2 = 2 \gamma_k |\phi_k|^2$$

$$\gamma_k = \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{\omega_{pe}^3}{k^2 n_0} \left| \frac{\partial f_0}{\partial v} \right|_{\omega_k/k}$$

growth rate directly dependent on local slope of distr. function

→ number, momentum, and energy conserved confirmed

bulk of part. here (real freq. of wave doesn't change)

only ω_k changes due to beam

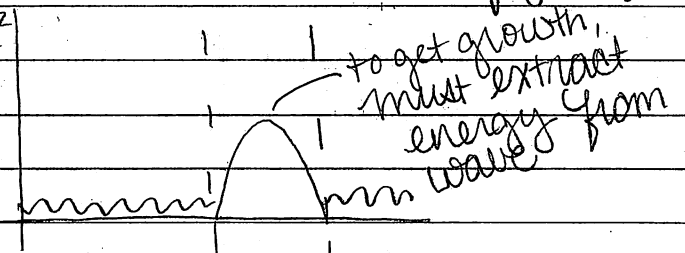
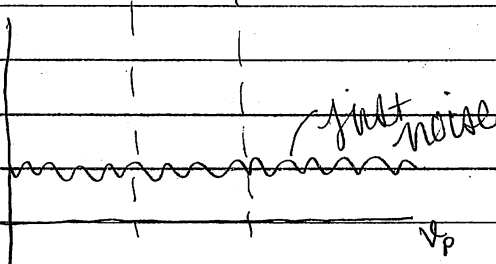
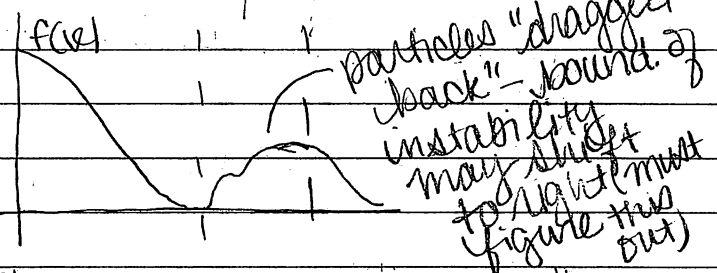
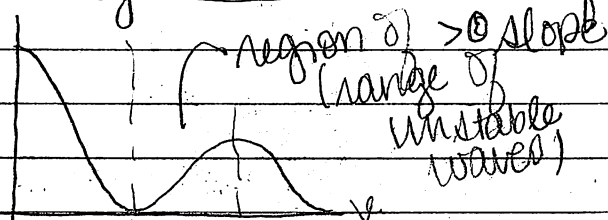
$$\frac{\omega_k}{k} = \frac{\omega_{pe}}{k} \text{ phase speed}$$

can vary k to get desired phase speed of wave

small beam

source of free energy causes growth

of system
~~Steady State~~ evolution - qualitative



Resonant particles are dragged to smaller velocities, giving energy to the wave. Need to figure out how it moves.

Steady-state

No more evolution $\rightarrow \frac{\partial f_0}{\partial t} = 0$

which implies

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial v} \left\{ D \frac{\partial f_0}{\partial v} \right\} = 0$$

$$\rightarrow D \frac{\partial f_0}{\partial v} = \text{const} \stackrel{\text{in } v}{=} 0 \leftarrow \text{it's } 0 \text{ @ } \pm \infty \text{ (must be constant everywhere)}$$

D must be finite ~~in~~ to still have energy in some region @ a late time ~~they time~~

$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial f_0}{\partial v} \text{ must } = 0 \text{ if } D \neq 0 \text{ (a plateau)}$ "with energy added @ later times, we get:"

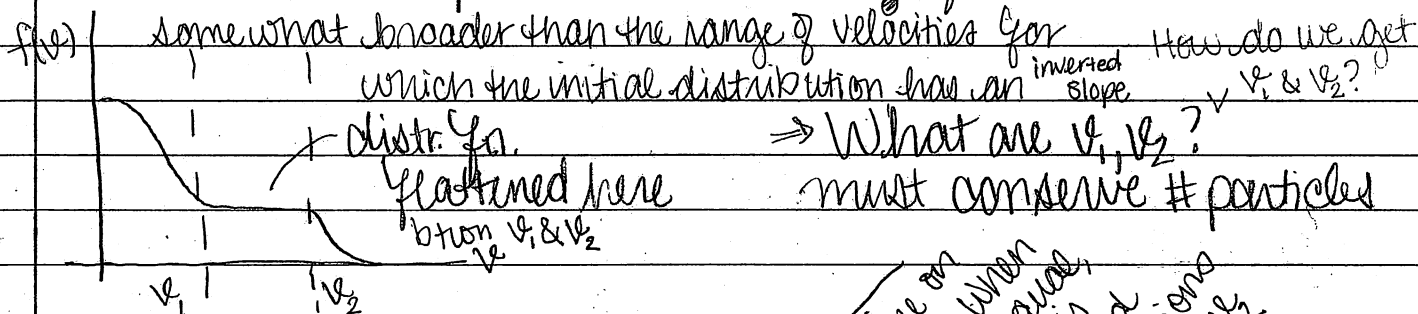
and

$$\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial v} \neq 0 \text{ if } D = 0$$

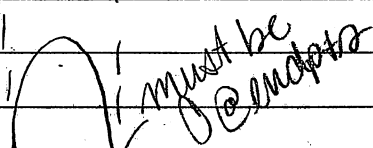
can be anything

* During this evolution the spectrum spreads out somewhat, so as to extend throughout the range $k_{\min}$ to $k_{\max}$, corresponding

Translate into picture: to phase velocities from $v_1 \rightarrow v_2$, which is seen to be



k^2



this is the initial distr. funct. f_0 distr. f_0 @ plateau

* Draw horizontal line on initial distribution when shaded areas are equal, number density is conserved. The intersections give v_1 & v_2 (i.e., move the plateau)

what are part. doing? (see above)

move this line up & down until # part. in each region the same $\rightarrow$ that gives you v_1 & v_2 (this line is the final distribution function $n = \int f(v) dv$)

v_2 farthest pos. region (pg. 1)
can move right

$$f_0(v_1, t=0) = f_0(v_2, t=0)$$

$$= f_0(v_1 < v < v_2, t=\infty)$$

$$= f_0$$

late time

distr. f_0 does not change (steady state)

$$\int_{v_1}^{v_2} dv f_0(v, t=0) = f_0(v_2 - v_1)$$

$\uparrow$ defines v_1, v_2

What about the wave spectrum?

energy Spectrum of Waves

- go back to time dev.

for small γ_k

Lorentzian - highly peaked around resonance ($\omega_k = k v$)
 $\rightarrow$ treat as δ fn eq (1)

$$\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial t} - \frac{2}{\partial v} \frac{e^2}{m^2} \sum_k k^2 |v_k|^2 \frac{\gamma_k}{\gamma_k^2 + (\omega_k^2 - k \cdot v)^2} \frac{\partial f_0}{\partial v} = 0$$

resonant condition $\rightarrow$ largest when 0 (γ_k small)

Where $\gamma_k(t), |v_k|^2(t), f_0(t, v)$

How do we solve this?

γ_k taken to be small

* $\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial v}$ related to γ_k (from lec 14)

$\rightarrow$ focus on resonant particles
assumes weak growth (weak beam)

$$\rightarrow \frac{2}{\pi} \gamma_k \frac{k^2}{\omega_{pe}^3} n_0 \text{ from}$$

$$\lim_{\gamma_k \rightarrow 0} \frac{\gamma_k}{\gamma_k^2 + (\omega_k^2 - k \cdot v)^2} = \pi \delta(\omega_k^R - k \cdot v)$$

$$\gamma_k = \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{\omega_{pe}^3}{k^2} \frac{1}{n_0} \frac{\partial f_0}{\partial v} \Big|_{v_p}$$

$\downarrow$ plug in to eq. (1)

would instead expand integral for $\omega_k \gg k v \gg \gamma_k$ in the non-resonant regions

$$\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial t} - \frac{2}{\partial v} \left\{ \frac{e^2}{m^2} \sum_k k^2 |v_k|^2 \pi \delta(\omega_k^R - k \cdot v) \right\} \frac{2}{\pi} \gamma_k \frac{k^2}{\omega_{pe}^3} n_0 = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} |v_k|^2 = 2 \gamma_k |v_k|^2$$

combine $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}$:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left[f_0 - \frac{2}{\partial v} \frac{e^2}{m^2} n_0 \sum_k \frac{k^4 |v_k|^2}{\omega_{pe}^3} \delta(\omega_k^R - k \cdot v) \right] = 0$$

$\uparrow$ we've isolated the time-dependence

must be time indep. fun! - same @ final & initial times

no ϕ here

these must be equal to satisfy time-independence statement

$f_0 = f_p$ here

eval @ $t=0$

late time $t \rightarrow \infty$

$$f_0(v, t=0) = f_p \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \frac{e^2}{m^2} n_0 \sum_k \frac{k^4 |\phi_k|^2}{\omega_{pe}^3} \delta(\omega_k^R - kv)$$

* recall - only looking @ region w/ resonant particles (plateau only region of distribution)

must deal w/ this to get spectrum of k -values

@ late time

first isolate $\frac{\partial}{\partial v}$ and integrate

some arbitrary $v > v_i$

$$\frac{e^2}{m^2} n_0 \sum_k \frac{k^4 |\phi_k|^2}{\omega_{pe}^3} \delta(\omega_k^R - kv) = \int_{v_i}^v dv [f_p - f_0(v, t=0)] \quad \text{eq. (2)}$$

start of plateau

must conv. to integral

[periodic] Discrete Systems: length L

$$k = \frac{2\pi n}{L}, \Delta k = \frac{2\pi}{L}$$

$n = \text{integer}$

$$\Delta k L = 2\pi$$

$$* \text{Insert } \sum_k k^4 |\phi_k|^2 \Big|_{t=\infty} \delta(\omega_k - kv)$$

$$= \frac{L}{2\pi} \int dk (v) k^4 |\phi_k|^2 \Big|_{t=\infty} \frac{\delta(\omega_k - kv)}{(v)}$$

$$= \frac{L}{2\pi} \frac{k^2 |E_k|^2}{v} \Big|_{k=\omega_{pe}/v}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_k = \left(\sum_k \frac{\Delta k L}{2\pi} \right) = \frac{L}{2\pi} \int dk$$

now a continuous system

* Int. over δ -fn: NOW: $\int_{v_i}^v dv [f_p - f_0(v, t=0)] = \frac{e^2}{m^2} n_0 \frac{L}{2\pi} \int dk \frac{k^4 |\phi_k|^2}{\omega_{pe}^3} \delta(\omega_k^R - kv)$

$$-\infty \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dk \delta(g(k)) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dk}{dg} dg \delta(g(k)) = \frac{1}{|dg/dk|}$$

being careful w/ your signs

→ eq. (2) then becomes

$$\delta\text{-fn: } kv - \omega_k^R = 0 \Rightarrow kv = \omega_{pe} \Rightarrow k = \frac{\omega_{pe}}{v} = \frac{\omega_k^R}{v}$$

$$\frac{e^2}{m^2} \frac{n_0}{\omega_{pe}^3} \frac{k^4 |\phi_k|^2}{|d/dk(kv - \omega_k^R)|} \Big|_{\frac{\omega_{pe}}{v} = k} = \int_{v_i}^v dv [f_p - f(v, 0)]$$

"spectral energy density"

gives V_g - write as V (therm effects small)
 $= V - V_g$

$$\delta(ax) = \frac{1}{|a|} \delta(x) \quad \& \quad \int dx \delta(x-a) f(x) = f(a) \quad \text{so} \quad \int dx \delta(bx-a) f(x) = \frac{f(a/b)}{|b|}$$

therefore $\delta(\omega_k^R - kv) = \frac{1}{v} \delta(k - \omega_k^R/v)$

$$= \frac{e^2}{m^2} \frac{n_0}{\omega_{pe}^2} \frac{L}{2\pi} \frac{\omega_{pe}}{v_e} \frac{k|E_k|^2}{v_e} \Big|_{k=\omega_{pe}/v_e} = \frac{e^2 n_0}{m v_e^2} \frac{m}{4\pi \epsilon_0 e^2} \frac{L}{2\pi} k|E_k|^2 \Big|_{k=\omega_{pe}/v_e} \left(\frac{2}{v_e} \right) = \frac{2}{m n e^2} \frac{kL}{2\pi} \frac{|E_k|^2}{8\pi} \Big|_{k=\omega_{pe}/v_e}$$

C*insert*

$|E_k|^2$ in terms of $\vec{E}$ -field

How did we get here?

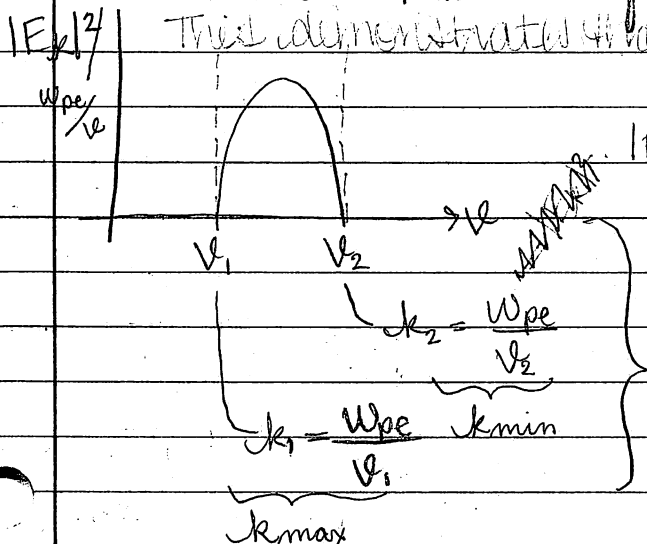
Rearranging...

$$\frac{kL}{2\pi} \frac{|E_k|^2}{8\pi} \Big|_{k=\omega_{pe}/v_e} = \frac{m v_e^2}{2} \int_{v_1}^{v_2} dv [f_p - f_0(v, 0)]$$

get 0 for v_1 & v_2 from $v \int dv f_0(v, t=0)$ eqn

late time wave energy spectrum wrt integral over distribution f_n (valid for small growth rate)

This demonstrated that



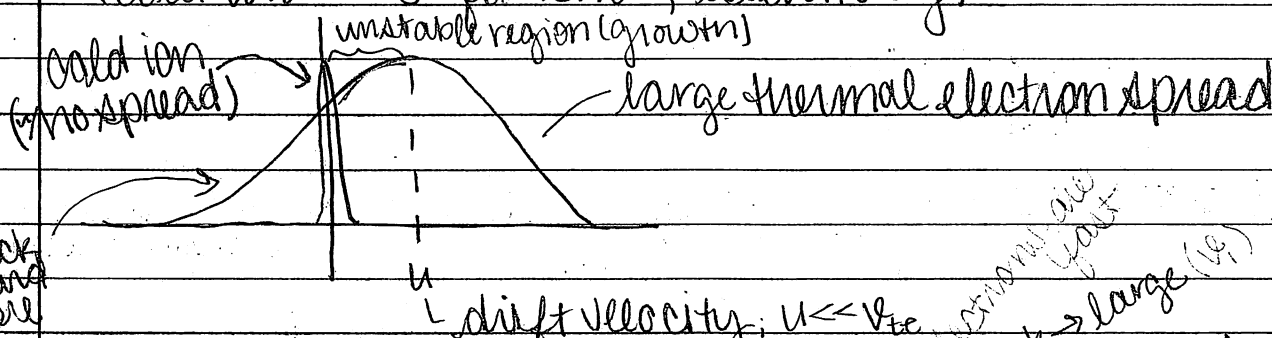
$|E_k|^2|_{\infty} = 0$ for $k = \omega_{pe}/v_1$ and ω_{pe}/v_2

at long time (spectral energy density falls to 0 at these

* waves exist btwn these two values of k , which gives their phase speed

Comment on HW#6:

- ion acoustic waves (cold ions $\rightarrow$ δ -function, essentially)

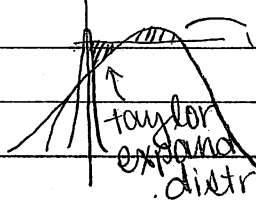


ion acoustic dispersion relation

$$w = \frac{k C_s}{(1 + k^2 / k_D^2)^{1/2}} ; \quad v_p = \frac{\omega_k}{k} \ll v_{te} ; \quad 0 < v_p < C_s$$

$\rightarrow$ electrons will be diffusing (ignore ions - they're "dead cold")

$\Rightarrow$ becomes a plateau @ late time - all waves to the right -



must conserve # of particles just w/ steady state plasma

In exploring heating on diffusion of collisionless plasma, it is important to distinguish between reversible and non-reversible processes

NOW: Resonant vs non-resonant particles

Resonant vs Non-Resonant Diffusion

→ must distinguish b/w reversible & irreversible processes ←
returning to diffusion eqn... consider non-resonant particles in bump-on-tail case

$$D(v) = \frac{e^2}{m^2} \sum_k \frac{k^2 |\psi_k|^2 \gamma_k}{\gamma_k^2 + (\omega_k^R - kv)^2}$$

approx. for res. particles by a δ -fn

for non-res.

$$\rightarrow \frac{e^2}{m^2} \sum_k \frac{(2) \gamma_k / (2\omega_k^R)^2 \cdot k^2 |\psi_k|^2}{(2\omega_k^R)^2} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\psi_k|^2$$

insert ω_k^R but δ -fn

↓ write as time derivative ↓

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left\{ \frac{e^2}{m^2} \sum_k \frac{k^2 |\psi_k|^2}{2\omega_k^R^2} \right\} |E_k|^2$$

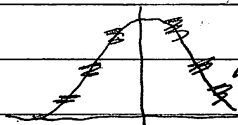
$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} |\tilde{v}_k|^2 \right\}$$

ignoring $\sum_k$ (can put it in, too)

$e|E_k|$ = electric force magnitude.
acceleration of e^-

$\frac{e|E_k|}{m\omega} = \tilde{v}_k$ of e^- in non-resonant space (jitter vel. of non-res part.)

time independent



non-res just oscillate/jitter in place

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(f_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \sum_k \frac{1}{2} |\tilde{v}_k|^2 \frac{\partial f_0}{\partial v} \right) = 0$$

same form as "spectrum of waves"

associated w/ the sloshing of nonresonant particles in unstable waves

"fake heating" of electrons (not REALLY heated) waves
b/c reversible (waves go away - jittering stops and
→ f_0 totally unchanged! That's it! "heating"

UNLIKE in part. w/ irreversible changed goes away - this reverses as wave spectrum decays away
* Same for spatial diffusion! No irreversible diffusion in space of non-res. particles

★ TURNING POINT ★

Beyond here - ambient magnetic fields present

conservation left out