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- **The conventional description of the collective behavior of charged-particle beams is usually given in terms of the Vlasov equation.**
- **An alternative non-conventional description is based on a mathematical formalism fully similar to the ones used for the propagation of e.m. radiation beams in nonlinear media as well as the nonlinear dynamics of the Bose-Einstein condensates.**
- **In this talk, a tutorial presentation of such a non-conventional description is given.**

Let us consider a *paraxial charged-particle beam* travelling in vacuo along the z-axis with speed βc ($\beta \approx 1$)

In the comoving frame, the transverse (x-y plane) motion of a single particle of a paraxial beam is nonrelativistic.

In particular, if the beam has a finite transverse temperature (transverse thermal spreading), paraxial approximation means:

$$\textit{transverse thermal velocity} \ll c$$

Adopting the electron optics language we can say: *the slopes of the electron rays (single particle trajectories) with respect to z-axis are very small:*

$$|p_x| = |dx/dz| \ll 1, \quad |p_y| = |dy/dz| \ll 1$$

(x, p_x) and (y, p_y) are pairs of canonical conjugate variables and the beam transverse motion affected by the thermal spreading should be in principle described statistically by the first- and the second-order moments of the classical phase-space distribution function $\rho(x, p_x, y, p_y, z)$ for the electronic rays.

$\rho(x, p_x, y, p_y, z) =$ *probability density of finding an electronic ray at the transverse phase space location (x, p_x, y, p_y) and time $t=z/(\beta c)$.*

One is naturally lead to consider the transverse thermal spreading as a diffusion process in the real space. In particular, once $\rho(x, p_x, y, p_y, z)$ is found, its second-order moments can be introduced:

$$\sigma_j(z) = \langle (j - \langle j \rangle)^2 \rangle^{1/2}$$

rms dispersion of the j-th electronic ray positions

$$\sigma_{pj}(z) = \langle (p_j - \langle p_j \rangle)^2 \rangle^{1/2}$$

rms dispersion of the j-th electronic ray slopes

$$\sigma_{j p_j}(z) = \langle (j - \langle j \rangle)(p_j - \langle p_j \rangle) \rangle^{1/2}$$

correlation term for the j-th transv. direction

$$j = x, y$$

Diffusion coefficient associated with the j -th transverse direction or *rms emittance associated with the j -th transverse direction*:

$$\varepsilon_j(z) = 2[\sigma_j^2(z) \sigma_{pj}^2(z) - \sigma_{j pj}^2(z)]^{1/2}$$

Let us assume, for the sake of simplicity, that

$$\varepsilon_x = \varepsilon_y = \varepsilon$$

For free motion or in the presence of linear (elastic-like) forces ε is constant of motion (independent of z)

It is possible to show that, during the free beam motion, σ_j satisfies to the following *envelope equation* ($j=x,y$):

$$\frac{d^2 \sigma_j}{dz^2} - \frac{\varepsilon^2}{4\sigma_j^3} = 0$$

(Pinney equation)

which is in full agreement with the experimental observations (see, f.i., the final focusing stage of linear colliders).

The quantity $\sigma = (\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2)^{1/2}$ (the effective transverse beam width) obeys to a similar differential equation.

Since we are trying to describe the thermal spreading of the beam as a diffusion process, it is “natural” (but not obvious!) to suppose the existence of a real function $f(x,y,z)$, defined in the (x,y) configuration space (z plays the role of timelike coordinate) satisfying the following diffusion equation:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \nabla_{\perp}^2 f$$

$$f(x, y, z) = \int \rho(x, y, p_x, p_y, z) dp_x dp_y$$

$f(x,y,z)$ = classical probability density of finding an electronic ray at the transverse configurational position (x,y) and time $t=z/\beta c$

Assuming that initially ($z=z_0$) the beam has a Gaussian transverse shape, a Gaussian non-stationary normalized solution of the diffusion equation can be found:

$$f(x, y, z) = \frac{\exp[-x^2 / 2\sigma_{fx}^2(z) - y^2 / 2\sigma_{fy}^2(z)]}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_{fx}(z)\sigma_{fy}(z)}}$$

where

$$\frac{d^2\sigma_{fj}}{dz^2} + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{4\sigma_{fj}^3} = 0$$

$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \nabla_{\perp}^2 f$ $f(x, y, z) = \frac{\exp[-x^2 / 2\sigma_{fx}^2(z) - y^2 / 2\sigma_{fy}^2(z)]}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_{fx}(z)\sigma_{fy}(z)}}$	
$\frac{d\sigma_{ff}^2}{dz} = \varepsilon \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{d^2\sigma_{ff}}{dz^2} + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{4\sigma_{ff}^3} = 0$	$\frac{d^2\sigma_j}{dz^2} - \frac{\varepsilon^2}{4\sigma_j^3} = 0$
$\sigma_{ff}(z_0) = \sigma_{j0} \quad \left(\frac{d\sigma_{ff}}{dz}\right)_{z_0} = \frac{\varepsilon}{2\sigma_{j0}}$ $\sigma_{ff}(z) = \sqrt{\sigma_{j0}^2 + \varepsilon(z - z_0)}$	$\sigma_j(z_0) = \sigma_{j0} \quad \left(\frac{d\sigma_{j0}}{dz}\right)_{z_0} = \sigma'_{j0}$ $\sigma_{j0}(z) = \sqrt{\sigma_{j0}^2 + 2E_j(z - z_0)^2}$ $E_j = \frac{\varepsilon^2}{4\sigma_{j0}^2} + (\sigma'_{j0})^2$
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$$\varepsilon \rightarrow i\varepsilon$$

$$\frac{d^2 \sigma_{ff}}{dz^2} + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{4\sigma_{ff}^3} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{d^2 \sigma_j}{dz^2} - \frac{\varepsilon^2}{4\sigma_j^3} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \nabla_{\perp}^2 f \quad \Rightarrow \quad i \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z} = -\frac{\varepsilon}{2} \nabla_{\perp}^2 \Psi$$

$$i\varepsilon \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z} = -\frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} \nabla_{\perp}^2 \Psi$$

$|\Psi(x, y, z)|^2 \propto$ *transverse density profile of the beam particles*

$$\Psi(x, y, z) = \sqrt{n(x, y, z)} \exp\left[\frac{i}{\varepsilon} \theta(x, y, z)\right]$$

$$\int |\Psi(x, y, z)|^2 dx dy = \int n(x, y, z) dx dy = 1$$

Fluid interpretation:

$n(x, y, z) =$ *transverse probability density of the beam particles*

$\mathbf{V}(x, y, z) = \nabla_{\perp} \theta =$ *transverse current velocity*

Gaussian solution for the BWF

$$\Psi(x, y, z) = \frac{\exp[-x^2 / 4\sigma_x(z) - y^2 / 4\sigma_y(z)]}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_x(z)\sigma_y(z)}} \exp\left[\frac{i}{\varepsilon} \theta(x, y, z)\right]$$

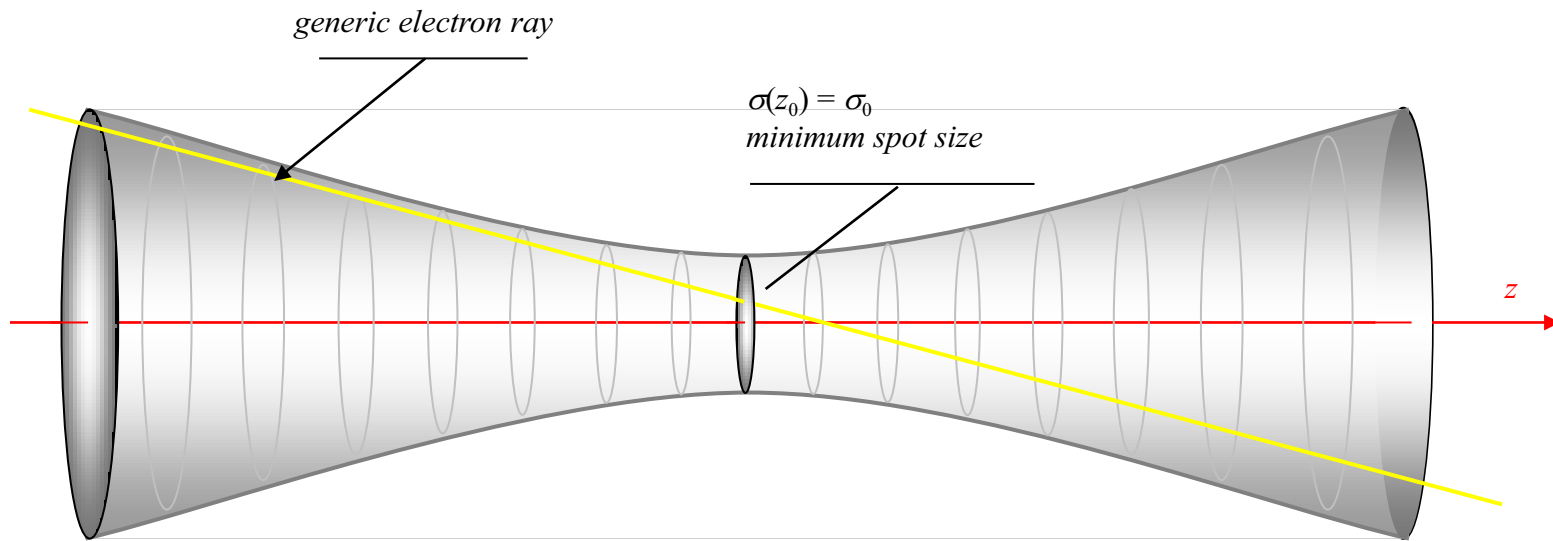
$$\theta(x, y, z) = \frac{x^2}{2R_x(z)} + \frac{y^2}{2R_y(z)} + \phi_x(z) + \phi_y(z)$$

$$\frac{1}{R_j(z)} = \frac{1}{\sigma_j(z)} \frac{d\sigma_j(z)}{dz}$$

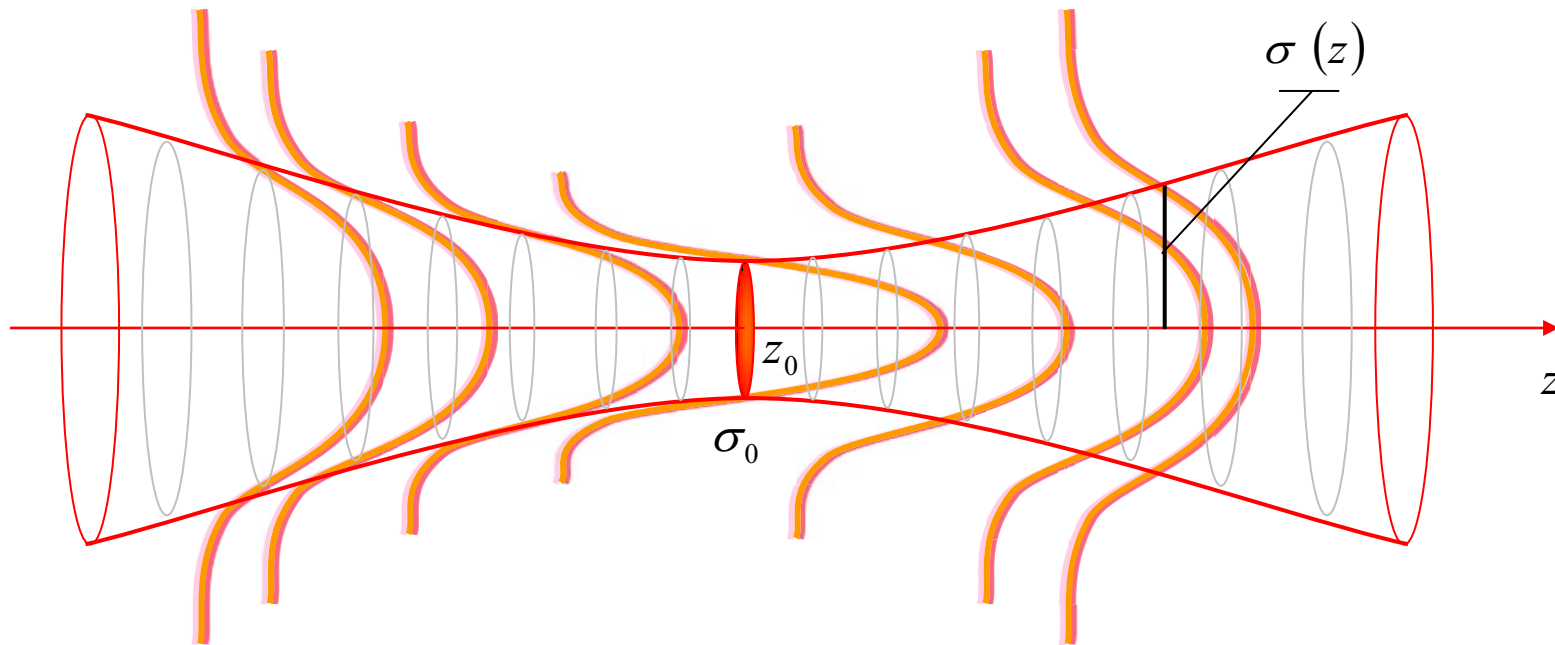
$$\frac{d\phi_{j0}(z)}{dz} = -\frac{\varepsilon}{4\sigma_j^2(z)}$$

$$j = x, y$$

Qualitative representation of the free envelope motion (paraxial approximation) of a cylindrically-symmetric beam travelling in vacuo.



**Qualitative envelope evolution of a cylindrically-symmetric
Gaussian beam propagating in vacuo.**



$$\sigma(z) = \sqrt{\sigma_0^2 + 2E(z - z_0)^2}$$

TRANSVERSE NONLINEAR BEAM DYNAMICS IN A COLD PLASMA

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Self-consistent interaction between the plasma wake field and the driving relativistic electron beam

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It is shown that the self-consistent interaction between wake fields and the driving electron bunch in a collisionless, unmagnetized, overdense ($n_p \gg n_b$) plasma is governed by three coupled equations. In the long-beam limit, they reduce to a pair consisting of an appropriate nonlinear Schrödinger equation for the *beam wave function* Ψ , and an equation for the wake-field potential that is driven by the transverse profile of the beam density, which is proportional to $|\Psi|^2$. The pair of equations are suitable for studying the beam self-focusing (self-pinching equilibrium) for the case in which the beam-spot size is larger (smaller) than the wavelength of the wake fields. It is demonstrated that our self-consistent theory, which is based on the recently proposed *thermal wave model for relativistic charged-particle beam propagation*, is capable of reproducing the main results for the beam-filamentation threshold and the self-pinching equilibrium condition that are already known in the conventional theory of the beam self-interaction in collisionless plasmas.

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TRANSVERSE NONLINEAR BEAM DYNAMICS IN A COLD PLASMA

- **A cylindrically symmetric Gaussian relativistic charged particle beam, with transverse rms R_0 (initial beam radius) and unperturbed number density n_{b0} , travelling along the z-axis with velocity βc ($\beta \approx 1$) and transverse emittance ε .**
- **At $z=0$ the beam enters a semi- infinite slab of cold unmagnetized plasma with unperturbed number density n_{p0} in "overdense condition" ($n_{b0} \ll n_{p0}$).**

- The beam length $\sigma_z \gg \lambda_p$ (the plasma density perturbation n_1 is produced adiabatically) and therefore

$$e n_1(r, \xi) \approx q n_{b0}(r, \xi),$$

r =cylindrical radial coordinate, $\xi = z - \beta ct$

- According to the theory of plasma wake field excitation:

$$\left[\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) - k_p^2 \right] U_{\perp}^{coll}(r, \xi) = \frac{4\pi q^2 n_b}{m\gamma\beta^2 c^2} \approx \frac{4\pi q^2 n_b}{m\gamma c^2}$$

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$$i\varepsilon \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \xi} = -\frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial r} \right) + U_{\perp}^{coll} \left[|\Psi(r, \xi)|^2 \right] \Psi$$

$$(a). \quad k_p R \gg 1, \quad i\varepsilon \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \xi} = -\frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial r} \right) - \frac{n_{b0}}{n_{p0}\gamma} |\Psi|^2 \Psi$$

$$\mathcal{A} = \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} \int_0^\infty \left| \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial r} \right|^2 r dr - \frac{n_{b0}}{2n_{p0}\gamma} \int_0^\infty |\Psi|^4 r dr = const. \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathcal{A} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{\varepsilon^2}{R_0^2} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{n_{b0}}{n_{p0}\gamma} \right]$$

$$R^2(\xi) = R_0^2 + 2\mathcal{A}(\xi - \xi_0)^2$$

$\mathcal{A} < 0$: *self-focusing*

$\mathcal{A} > 0$: *self-defocusing*

$\mathcal{A} = 0$: *stationary solution; Weibel instability threshold:*

$$\beta_\perp = \frac{v_{th}}{c} \approx 0.7 \left(\frac{n_{b0}}{n_{p0}\gamma} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$(b). \quad k_p R \ll 1, \quad \frac{d^2 R}{d\xi^2} = \frac{\varepsilon^2}{R^3} - \frac{2K}{R} \left\langle \int_0^r |\Psi(r', \xi)|^2 r' dr' \right\rangle$$

$$K = \frac{2\pi e^2 n_{b0}}{m\gamma\beta c^2}$$

$$\frac{dR}{d\xi} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{Bennett self-pinch equilibrium condition:}$$

$$\frac{\varepsilon^2}{R_0^2} = \frac{1}{2} K R_0^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{I^2}{c^2} = \frac{N}{\sigma_z} T \quad (\text{cgs units})$$

- Aberrationless approximate solution of NLSE:

$$\frac{d^2 R}{d\xi^2} + KR - \frac{\varepsilon^2}{R^3} = 0$$

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