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- Topics studied:
  - electron plasma
  - drift modes (electrostatic, electromagnetic, streaming/rotating plasma, dusty plasma, experimental argon plasma)
  - pair plasma (electron-positron, pair-ion)
- Coworkers:
  - M. Y. Tanaka (+ team members)
  - H. Saleem (+ team members)
  - S. Poedts
  - M. Kono
  - P. K. Shukla

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- Plasma with radial and axial density gradient
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- Kono and Tanaka PRL (2000)
- Vranjes et al. PRL (2002)
- Nagaoka et al. PRL (2002)

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# A global spiral vortex

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• Vranjes et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **89**, 265002 (2002)

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{B_0} \vec{e}_z \times \nabla_{\perp} (\Phi_1 + B_0 \varphi) \cdot \nabla_{\perp} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} (1 - \rho^2 \nabla_{\perp}^2) \\ \times (\Phi_1 + B_0 \varphi) - B_0 (\varphi + \psi) \end{bmatrix} + \frac{T_e}{e} \nabla_{\parallel} \cdot \vec{v}_{\parallel} = 0.$$
(1)

$$[\partial/\partial t + \vec{e}_z \times \nabla_{\perp} (\Phi_1 + B_0 \varphi) \cdot \nabla_{\perp}/B_0] v_{\parallel} = 0.$$

$$\begin{split} \Phi_{1} &= \phi_{1} + \phi_{n1} \approx [\phi_{1} + (T_{n}/e)\log n_{n1}]\Omega_{i}^{2}/(\Omega_{i}^{2} + \nu_{i}^{2}).\\ \vec{v}_{i0} &\equiv \vec{e}_{\theta} d\varphi(r)/dr = \vec{e}_{\theta} (d\Phi_{0}/dr)/B_{0} - [1/(r\Omega_{ef}B_{0}^{2})](d\Phi_{0}/dr)^{2}\vec{e}_{\theta},\\ \rho &= c_{s}/\Omega_{ef}, \quad \Omega_{ef} \equiv \Omega_{i}/[\Omega_{i}^{2}/(\Omega_{i}^{2} + \nu_{i}^{2})], \quad v_{*} \equiv d\psi(r)/dr = -n_{0}'c_{s}^{2}/n_{0}\Omega_{ef}. \end{split}$$





#### • Vranjes et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 89, 265002 (2002)





Experiments





#### Vortices in simple torus

- The structures observed in helium plasmas evolving in time and rotating in the poloidal cross-section with a period of about  $100\mu$ s.
- Monopolar vortices + dipolar vortices.
- Dipole: two components rotate around their centers in opposite directions. The whole structure rotates in poloidal direction.
- Generated mainly in the region where the magnetic field curvature is opposite to the density gradient, that is in most of the region outside the centre of the cross-section.
- Large bursty flux events occur at the vortex separatrices whenever a double vortex in the potential is formed.
- When they occur, they cover most of the plasma cross-section.



#### Blaamann torus



is plotted every 16 up to 128  $\mu$ s. Radial positions and vertical positions are given in centimetres from the centre of cross-section.

Fredriksen et al. Plasma Phys. Control. Fusion 45, 721 (2003)



Figure 5. Two-dimensional contour plots of particle fluxes. The temporal evolution starts at  $-112 \, \mu s$  with respect to the reference signal event and is plotted every 16 up to 128  $\mu s$ . Radial positions and vertical positions are given in certimetres from the centre of cross-section.

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Figure 1. Schematic of the VINETA device, including the azimuthal probe positing systems.

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Grulke et al., PPCF 49, B247 (2007)
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Grulke et al., PPCF 49, B247 (2007)

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#### Pure electron plasma

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J. Vranjes, P.K. Shukla, M. Kono, and S. Poedts, PoP **8**, 3165-3176 (2001)

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## Space plasma



Solar arcade

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Karovska and Habal, ApJ **371**, 402 (1991)

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## Carina nebula



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# Some discrete clouds





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#### Filaments



Rosette nebula: twisted mode with poloidal number m = 3.

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#### Rosette nebula



P. Carlqvist et al. Astron. Astrophys. 403, 399 (2003)





# Coupled potentials

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$$\nabla_{\perp}^{2} \frac{\partial^{2} \phi_{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{B_{0}}{\Omega_{d}} \nabla_{\perp}^{2} \frac{\partial^{2} \varphi_{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - \left(\frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial t^{2}} + \Omega_{d}^{2}\right) \left(\frac{1}{c_{d}^{2}} \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial z^{2}}\right) \phi_{1}$$
$$- \frac{B_{0}}{\Omega_{d}} \left(\frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial t^{2}} + \Omega_{d}^{2}\right) \frac{\partial^{2} \varphi_{1}}{\partial z^{2}} + \left[\Omega_{d} \vec{e}_{z} \times \nabla_{\perp} \frac{\partial \phi_{1}}{\partial t} + \nabla_{\perp} \frac{\partial^{2} \phi_{1}}{\partial t^{2}}\right]$$
$$- B_{0} \vec{e}_{z} \times \nabla_{\perp} \frac{\partial \varphi_{1}}{\partial t} - \frac{B_{0}}{\Omega_{d}} \nabla_{\perp} \frac{\partial^{2} \varphi_{1}}{\partial t^{2}}\right] \nabla_{\perp} \ln n_{d0} = 0.$$
(2)

$$\nabla_{\perp}^{2}\varphi_{1} + \frac{\partial^{2}\varphi_{1}}{\partial z^{2}} = -\omega_{j}^{2}\frac{e\phi_{1}}{\kappa T_{ef}}, \quad \omega_{j}^{2} = 4\pi G m_{d} n_{d0}, \quad \Omega_{d} = eZ_{d}B_{0}/m_{d}, \quad (3)$$

$$c_{d}^{2} = \kappa T_{ef}Z_{d}/m_{d} \equiv \omega_{pd}^{2}\lambda_{d}^{2}, \quad 1/\lambda_{d}^{2} = 1/\lambda_{i}^{2} + 1/\lambda_{e}^{2} \equiv \omega_{pe}^{2}/v_{Te}^{2} + \omega_{pi}^{2}/v_{Ti}^{2},$$

$$\omega_{pd}^{2} = e^{2}Z_{d}^{2}n_{d0}/\varepsilon_{0}m_{d}, \quad \omega_{pe,i}^{2} = e^{2}n_{e0,i0}/\varepsilon_{0}m_{e,i}, \quad T_{ef} = \frac{Z_{d}n_{d0}T_{i}T_{e}}{n_{i0}T_{e} + n_{e0}T_{i}}.$$



- Short wave-lengths (or for a laboratory plasma) ⇒ the self-gravity effects can be ignored ⇒ coupled dust-acoustic (DA), dust-cyclotron (DC), and dust-drift (DD) waves.
- This is most clearly seen in the Cartesian geometry (for an unbounded plasma) when for parallel propagation one obtains a DA mode  $\omega^2 = c_d^2 k_z^2$ ; for the nearly perpendicular case without the density gradient one finds a DC wave  $\omega^2 = \Omega_d^2 + c_d^2 k_\perp^2$ ; finally in the presence of the perpendicular density gradient and for low frequency limit  $(\omega \ll \Omega_d)$  we have a DD wave described by  $\omega^2 = c_d^2 \vec{k}_\perp \nabla_\perp (\ln n_{d0}) / [\Omega_d (1 + k_\perp^2 \rho_d^2)]$ , where  $\rho_d = c_d / \Omega_d$ .

#### Analytical eigenfunctions

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No gravity; Kummer confluent hypergeometric functions; m = 1, 2, 3.

Phys. Plasmas, Vol. 11, No. 5, May 2004



Self-gravitating plasma; Bessel functions







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• Eigen-mode equation (Vranjes and Poedts PoP 12, 064501 (2005):

$$\left[ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \left( \frac{1}{r} - \frac{k_z v_{i0}'(r)}{\omega - k_z v_{i0}(r)} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial r} - \frac{m^2}{r^2} + \frac{k_z^2}{(\omega - k_z v_{i0}(r))^2} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{\rho_s^2} - \frac{m}{r} \frac{1}{\omega - k_z v_{i0}(r)} \left( \frac{n_0'(r)}{n_0(r)} + \frac{k_z v_{i0}'(r)}{\omega - k_z v_{i0}(r)} \right) \right] \Phi_1(r) = 0.$$

$$v_0(r) = a_1 + a_2 \exp\left(-ar^2/2\right),$$

$$n_0(r) = N_0 \exp\left\{\frac{1}{2m}\left[\exp\left(-\frac{ar^2}{2}\right)\left[-\frac{2a_2bk_z}{a} - \frac{2a_2k_z}{a\rho_s^2} - \frac{2k_z\exp(ar^2)}{aa_2}\right] - amr^2\exp\left(\frac{ar^2}{2}\right) + 2a_2k_z\exp\left(\frac{ar^2}{2}\right)\right]\right\}$$

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#### Streaming plasma: equilibrium quantities



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Radial profile of the axial velocity.

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#### Streaming plasma: eigenmode



Radial eigen-modes. J. Vranjes and S. Poedts, Phys. Plasmas 12, 064501 (2005).

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# Streaming plasma: contour plot

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The cross section of the potential for m = 10 and the first radial eigen-mode. Dashed lines denote negative part of the wave potential.

The case of the second radial eigen-mode.

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#### Experimental example

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Figure 1. Scheme of the experimental setup. The picture shows a scheme of the poloidal section of the CASTOR tokamak where the array of probes has been inserted. The plasma, shifted downwards, is also deriveted.



Figure 2. Floating potential measured by one column of probes plotted as a function of time and readial position. Blue indicates negative values and red indicates positive values. The peak values are  $\pm 27$  V.



E. Martines et al. Plasma Phys. Control. Fusion 44, 351 (2002)

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#### Outline

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#### Model

- Details in: Vranjes and Poedts, PoP 14, 112106 (2007).
- Plasma in the magnetic field  $\vec{B}_0 = B_0 \vec{e}_z$ ; equilibrium density gradient in the direction both perpendicular and parallel to the magnetic lines.
- Density perturbations, electrostatic wave, oblique propagation:

$$\frac{1}{n_0}\frac{\partial^2 n_1}{\partial t^2} + \nabla_{\perp} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{v}_{i\perp 1}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\frac{\partial v_{iz1}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \vec{v}_{i\perp 1}}{\partial t} \cdot \frac{\nabla_{\perp} n_0}{n_0} + \frac{\partial v_{iz1}}{\partial t}\frac{1}{n_0}\frac{\partial n_0}{\partial z} = 0, \quad (4)$$

$$\frac{\partial \vec{v}_{i\perp 1}}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{B_0} \vec{e}_z \times \nabla_\perp \frac{\partial \phi_1}{\partial t} - \frac{1}{\Omega_i B_0} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \nabla_\perp \phi_1, \qquad (5)$$

$$\frac{\partial v_{iz1}}{\partial t} = -\frac{e}{m_i} \frac{\partial \phi_1}{\partial z}.$$

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#### Cartesian geometry

• Perturbations of the form  $\hat{f}(x, z) \exp(-i\omega t + ik_y y)$  and a plasma with  $\nabla n_0 = \vec{e}_x \partial n_0 / \partial x + \vec{e}_z \partial n_0 / \partial z$ .

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} - \frac{\omega^2}{\Omega_i^2}\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}\right)\Phi + \frac{1}{n_0}\frac{\partial n_0}{\partial z}\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial z} + \frac{\omega k_y}{\Omega_i}\frac{1}{n_0}\frac{\partial n_0}{\partial x}\Phi + \frac{\omega^2}{c_s^2}\left(1 + k_y^2\rho_s^2\right)\Phi = 0,$$
(7)

$$\Phi(x,z) = \frac{e\hat{\phi_1}(x,z)}{\kappa T_e} = \frac{\hat{n}_1}{n_0}, \quad c_s^2 = \frac{\kappa T_e}{m_i}, \quad \rho_s = \frac{c_s}{\Omega_i}.$$

• Eq. (7): the normalized amplitude of the coupled ion acoustic wave  $\omega^2 = k_z^2 c_s^2$ , and the drift wave

$$\omega = \omega_{*e} / (1 + k_y^2 \rho_s^2), \quad \omega_{*e} = -k_y c_s^2 h_x / \Omega_i, \quad h_\alpha = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial n_0}{\partial \alpha}, \quad \alpha = x, z.$$
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#### Some limits

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• Introduce  $h_{\alpha}^{-1} \sim L_{\alpha}$ ,  $\alpha = x, z$ ;  $\partial^2/\partial x^2$  can be omitted provided that  $L_x/L_z > \omega/\Omega_i$ . For exponential density in the perpendicular direction  $h_x$  constant, and from (7), assuming the wave

 $\Phi(x,z)\simeq \hat{f}(z)\cos k_z z,$ 

• Eqs. (8), (9) valid for any function 
$$h_z$$
.  
• From (9):  $\hat{f}(z) = f_0/[n_0(z)]^{1/2}$ ,  $f_0$  - integration constant.

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• Eq. (8) yields the dispersion equation for the coupled drift and IA waves,

$$\omega^{2} \left(1 + k_{y}^{2} \rho_{s}^{2}\right) - \omega_{*e} \omega - k_{z}^{2} c_{s}^{2} - \frac{c_{s}^{2}}{\sqrt{n_{0}(z)}} \frac{\partial^{2} \left[\sqrt{n_{0}(z)}\right]}{\partial z^{2}} = 0.$$
(10)

• The wave potential:

$$\Phi(x,z) \approx \frac{f_0}{n_0(z)^{1/2}} \cos k_z z,$$
 (11)

$$k_{z} = \left\{ \frac{\omega^{2}}{c_{s}^{2}} \left( 1 + k_{y}^{2} \rho_{s}^{2} \right) + \frac{\omega k_{y} h_{x}}{\Omega_{i}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{n_{0}(z)}} \frac{\partial^{2} \left[ \sqrt{n_{0}(z)} \right]}{\partial z^{2}} \right\}^{1/2} = const.$$

 The drift-IA wave grows/decreases for a decreasing/increasing density along the magnetic lines. The exponential density in the perp. direction determines the drift part.

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(12)

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 (13)

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•  $\omega, k_y, k_z$  are constant if  $\left[ (n_0(z))^{1/2} \right]'' / (n_0(z))^{1/2}$  is constant.

i) Exponential equilibrium profiles in both directions;  $n_0(x,z) = N_0 \exp(\pm x/L_x + bz)$ , b > 0, or b < 0. The dispersion equation for the modified drift-IA wave:

$$\omega^2 \left( 1 + k_y^2 \rho_s^2 \right) - \omega_{*e} \omega - c_s^2 (k_z^2 + b^2/4) = 0.$$
 (14)

 $\Rightarrow$  The cut-off *frequency* for the IA mode propagating along the exponentially varying density.

i) In the case  $n_0(x,z) = N_0 \exp(\pm x/L_x)\cos^2 bz$ , or  $n_0(x,z) = N_0 \exp(\pm x/L_x)\sin^2 bz$  (the local variation in the z-direction is monotonous, i.e., non-oscillatory, implying that  $|bz| \ll \pi/2$ ):

$$\omega^2 \left( 1 + k_y^2 \rho_s^2 \right) - \omega_{*e} \omega - c_s^2 (k_z^2 - b^2) = 0.$$
 (15)

 $\Rightarrow$  the cut-off wave number  $k_z$ .

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Experiment: Doucet et al. PF 17, 1738 (1974)



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Β.

• Small  $\partial^2/\partial x^2$  part in Eq. (7) and  $n_0(x,z) = N_0 \exp(\pm x/L_x - \kappa_z^2 z^2)$ 

$$\Phi''(z) - 2\kappa_z^2 z \Phi'(z) + a_0 \Phi(z) = 0, \quad a_0 = \frac{\omega^2}{c_s^2} \left(1 + k_y^2 \rho_s^2\right) + \frac{\omega k_y h_x}{\Omega_i}.$$
(16)

 The general solution in terms of the Kummer confluent hypergeometric functions

$$\Phi(z) = C_1 \cdot {}_1F_1\left[-\frac{a_0}{4\kappa_z^2}, \frac{1}{2}, \kappa_z^2 z^2\right] + C_2 \cdot z \cdot {}_1F_1\left[\frac{1}{2} - \frac{a_0}{4\kappa_z^2}, \frac{3}{2}, \kappa_z^2 z^2\right].$$
(17)

Depending on the values of α, β, 1F<sub>1</sub>[α, β, χ] includes various special functions, like the Hermite functions, the Error Integral, the Parabolic Cylinder functions, etc. Symmetric density profile along the magnetic lines ⇒ keep the even solutions in (17).



$$_{1}F_{1} \approx \Gamma(eta) \pi^{-1/2} \exp(\chi/2) (eta \chi/2 - lpha \chi)^{1/2 - eta/2} \cos\left[ (2eta \chi - 4lpha \chi)^{1/2} -eta \pi/2 + \pi/4 
ight].$$

- $\Gamma$  the Gamma function. Hence, the amplitude of the wave potential (and the relative density perturbation  $\hat{n}_1/n_0$ ) grows in the direction of the decreasing density  $n_0$ .
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  - The complete Eq. (7) can be solved by the separation of variables

 $\Phi(x,z) = \psi(x) \cdot \xi(z).$ 

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 $\psi \frac{d^2 \xi}{dz^2} - a_1 \xi \frac{d^2 \psi}{dx^2} + h_z \psi \frac{d\xi}{dz} + (a_2 h_x + a_3) \psi \xi = 0, \quad (18)$  $a_1 = \frac{\omega^2}{\Omega_i^2}, \quad a_2 = \frac{\omega k_y}{\Omega_i}, \quad a_3 = \frac{\omega^2}{c_s^2} \left(1 + k_y^2 \rho_s^2\right).$ 

This yields

$$\frac{d^2\psi(x)}{dx^2} - \frac{a_2h_x + \alpha}{a_1}\psi(x) = 0,$$
 (19)

$$\frac{d^2\xi(z)}{dz^2} + h_z \frac{d\xi(z)}{dz} + (a_3 - \alpha)\xi(z) = 0.$$
 (20)

 $\alpha$  - arbitrary constant which appears due to the separation of variables. The equations can be solved analytically for a number of functions  $h_x$ ,  $h_z$ .

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i) If we also have  $n_0 \sim \exp(\kappa_x^2 x^2)$  locally, then  $h_x = 2\kappa_x^2 x$  and the solution of Eq. (19) is

$$\psi(x) = D_1 \cdot B_i \left[ d_1^{1/3} \left( x + \frac{d_2}{d_1} \right) \right] + D_2 \cdot A_i \left[ d_1^{1/3} \left( x + \frac{d_2}{d_1} \right) \right].$$
(21)

Here,  $d_1 = 2\kappa_x^2 a_2/a_1$ ,  $d_2 = \alpha/a_1$ , and  $A_i, B_i$  are the Airy functions. ii) For a locally exponential density in the x-direction,  $n_0 \sim \exp(\kappa_x x)$ , where  $\kappa_x > 0$  or  $\kappa_x < 0$ , Eq. (19) becomes of the form  $\psi''(x) \pm |c_0|\psi(x) = 0$ ,  $c_0 = (a_2\kappa_x + \alpha)/a_1$ . The solutions (for the sign +) are  $\psi = D_1 \cdot \sin(xc_0^{1/2}) + D_2 \cdot \cos(xc_0^{1/2})$ , otherwise  $\psi = D_1 \cdot \exp(-xc_0^{1/2}) + D_2 \cdot \exp(xc_0^{1/2})$ SQR



• Cylindric plasma which extends up to  $r = r_0$ ; density  $n_0 = n_0(r, z)$ ; perturbations  $f(r, z) \exp(-i\omega t + im\theta)$ ;

$$\left[\frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial r^{2}} + \left(\frac{1}{r} + h_{r}\right)\frac{\partial}{\partial r} - \frac{m^{2}}{r^{2}} - \frac{r_{0}^{2}}{\rho_{s}^{2}} - \frac{\Omega_{i}}{\omega}\frac{m}{r}h_{r} - \frac{\Omega_{i}^{2}}{\omega^{2}}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial z^{2}} + h_{z}\frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)\right]\Phi(r, z) = 0.$$
(22)

All spatial variables in units of  $r_0$ , and  $h_r = (\partial n_0 / \partial r) / n_0$ .

• A good representative of various plasmas: Gaussian equilibrium density in both directions  $n_0(r, z) = N_0 \exp(-\kappa_r^2 r^2 - \kappa_z^2 z^2)$ , where  $\kappa_r \neq \kappa_z$ and typically  $\kappa_r/\kappa_z \gg 1$ , hence  $h_r = -2\kappa_r^2 r$ ,  $h_z = -2\kappa_z^2 z$ .

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• Introducing as earlier  $\Phi(r, z) = \psi(r)\xi(z)$ , from (22):

$$\left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \left(\frac{1}{r} - 2\kappa_r^2 r\right)\frac{\partial}{\partial r} - \frac{m^2}{r^2} + b_0\right]\psi(r) = 0, \quad (23)$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} - 2\kappa_z^2 z \frac{\partial}{\partial z} + a_0\right)\xi(z) = 0.$$
 (24)

$$b_0 = \frac{2m\kappa_r^2\Omega_i}{\omega} - \alpha, \quad a_0 = \frac{r_0^2\omega^2}{c_s^2} - \frac{\alpha\omega^2}{\Omega_i^2}.$$
 (25)

•  $\alpha$  - arbitrary constant due to the separation of variables. The drift and IA modes are decoupled for  $\alpha = 0$ . In the homogeneous case (24) yields the IA wave  $\omega^2 = k_z^2 c_s^2$ , otherwise it gives the axially dependent mode amplitude.

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• The general solutions of Eqs. (23), (24) are, respectively,

$$\psi(r) = C_1 \cdot r^{-m} \cdot {}_1F_1 \left[ -\frac{b_0}{4\kappa_r^2} - \frac{m}{2}, 1 - m, \kappa_r^2 r^2 \right] + C_2 \cdot r^m \cdot {}_1F_1 \left[ -\frac{b_0}{4\kappa_r^2} + \frac{m}{2}, 1 + m, \kappa_r^2 r^2 \right], \quad (26)$$

$$= D_1 \cdot {}_1F_1 \left[ -\frac{a_0}{4\kappa_r^2} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \kappa_r^2 r^2 \right] + D_2 \cdot r \cdot {}_1F_1 \left[ \frac{1}{2} - \frac{a_0}{4\kappa_r^2} - \frac{3}{2} \cdot \kappa_r^2 r^2 \right].$$

$$\xi(z) = D_1 \cdot {}_1F_1 \left[ -\frac{a_0}{4\kappa_z^2}, \frac{1}{2}, \kappa_z^2 z^2 \right] + D_2 \cdot z \cdot {}_1F_1 \left[ \frac{1}{2} - \frac{a_0}{4\kappa_z^2 \Omega_i^2}, \frac{3}{2}, \kappa_z^2 z^2 \right].$$
(27)

Well behaved solutions [non-singular in (r, z)-plain and even in ±z directions] imply C<sub>1</sub> = D<sub>2</sub> = 0. In laboratory conditions the potential vanishes at least at r = 0, and r = r<sub>0</sub>, resembling a radially standing drift wave. Due to limited axial length in laboratory situations a standing wave may appear in the axial direction too.

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- Electron-reach operations: the lowest eigenmode will satisfy  $k_z L \simeq \pi$ , or  $\lambda_z \simeq 2L$ . Here L is the distance between the two sheaths formed at both ends.
- Ion-reach operations: the standing wave may appear with the maximum in the middle, but with a finite potential at the ends/sheaths, corresponding to the axial wavelength larger than 2L. Details in F. F Chen, Phys. Fluids 22, 2346 (1979); experimental observation in Rowberg and Wong, Phys. Fluids 13, 661 (1970).
- In space plasmas, like in the highly elongated magnetic flux tubes in the solar atmosphere, in the axial direction we may simply have a propagating IA wave.

Concluding remarks

• From Eqs. (25) eliminate  $\alpha$ :

$$\omega^2 \left( 1 + b_0 \frac{\rho_s^2}{r_0^2} \right) - \frac{2mc_s^2 \kappa_r^2}{\Omega_i r_0^2} \,\omega - \frac{a_0 c_s^2}{r_0^2} = 0. \tag{28}$$

• In physical units  $\omega^2(1+b_0\rho_s^2)-2m\Omega_i\kappa_r^2\rho_s^2\omega-a_0c_s^2=0.$ 

- The parameter  $b_0$  is to be determined from the requirement of vanishing solutions at  $r_0$ . Because Eq. (26) may contain oscillatory solutions (in r), this implies a sequence of discrete values for  $b_0$ .
- $a_0$ : a free parameter for an infinite plasma column, otherwise to be determined from the requirement  $\xi(L/2) = 0$  for (oscillatory) solutions in the limited axial direction,  $\pm L/2$  determines the two ends of the plasma column. In the later case, we have only a drift wave propagating in the poloidal direction, determined by the poloidal number m, and having a standing wave structure in both radial and axial directions. ▲口 ▶ ▲圖 ▶ ▲ 臣 ▶ ▲ 臣 ▶ DQA

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Eigenvalues [for the poloidal drift wave number m = 1] for different radial density profiles, yielding a standing wave solution in the radial direction.



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for  $\kappa_r^2 = 1$ ,  $b_0 = 13$  (line a - the first eigenfunction), and  $b_0 = 47.6$  (line b - the second eigenfunction). These parameters are denoted by \* in previous figures



units) for m = 5 and  $b_0 = 84, 156, and \kappa_r^2 = 6.$ 

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The first four axial eigenfunctions. Here  $\kappa_z^2 = 0.014 \Rightarrow n_0(z = L)/N_0 = 0.24$ . Axial eigenvalues are  $a_0 = 0.013, 0.214, 0.609, 1.202$ .

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m = 5, and the combination of the second eigenfunction in r-direction with the 4th eigenfunction in z-direction;  $\kappa_r = 1$ ,  $b_0 = 150$ ,  $\kappa_z^2 = 0.014$ ,  $a_0 = 1.2015$ .



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- Global modes  $\Leftrightarrow$  global plasma properties.
- The behavior of coupled drift and ion acoustic modes is discussed in plasmas with density gradients perpendicular as well as parallel to the magnetic field lines.
- The density gradient in the direction of propagation of an IA wave is known to cause the growth of the IA wave potential amplitude and the relative density perturbation.
- The presence of both of these gradients in a nonlocal analysis implies solving a double eigenvalue problem.
- In the past, problems of that kind have been treated numerically, and separately for the axial and perpendicular directions.



- The wave analysis performed both in Cartesian and cylindric geometry; eigenvalue equations solved *analytically* for a number of radial and axial density profiles.
- General solutions found; radially and axially varying wave amplitudes.
- Improvement of the model possible:
  - i. (electron) collisions  $\Rightarrow$  instability,
  - ii. hot ion effects,
  - iii. electromagnetic effects (coupling with kinetic Alfvén waves).
- All these effects studied in different context in: Vranjes and Poedts, Growing drift-Alfvén modes in collisional solar plasma, Astron. Astrophys.
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• The momentum equations for ions and electrons

$$m_{i}n_{i}\left[\frac{\partial\vec{v}_{i}}{\partial t}+(\vec{v}_{i}\cdot\nabla)\vec{v}_{i}\right] = en_{i}\left(-\nabla\phi-\frac{\partial A_{z}}{\partial t}\vec{e}_{z}+\vec{v}_{i}\times\vec{B}\right)$$
$$-\kappa T_{i}\nabla n_{i}-\nabla\cdot\Pi_{i}-m_{i}n_{i}\nu_{i}\vec{v}_{i},\qquad(29)$$
$$m_{e}n_{e}\left[\frac{\partial\vec{v}_{e}}{\partial t}+(\vec{v}_{e}\cdot\nabla)\vec{v}_{e}\right] = -en_{i}\left(-\nabla\phi-\frac{\partial A_{z}}{\partial t}\vec{e}_{z}+\vec{v}_{e}\times\vec{B}\right)$$
$$-\kappa T_{e}\nabla n_{e}-\nabla\cdot\Pi_{e}-m_{e}n_{e}(\nu_{e}\vec{v}_{e}-\nu_{ei}\vec{v}_{i}).\qquad(30)$$

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- The procedure straightforward except for the term with the convective derivative in the polarization drift  $\vec{v}_p$ , i.e.,  $(\vec{v}_{i\perp} \cdot \nabla_{\perp})\vec{e}_z \times \vec{v}_{i\perp}$ , and the stress tensor contribution  $\vec{v}_{\pi}$ .
- For a small equilibrium density gradient, the last  $\vec{v}_{i\perp}$  in  $\vec{v}_p$  comprises only the leading order perturbed  $\vec{E} \times \vec{B}$  and diamagnetic drifts ( $\vec{v}_{E1}$ and  $\vec{v}_{*i1}$ ), while the first  $\vec{v}_i$  is the equilibrium ion diamagnetic drift  $\vec{v}_{i0} = \kappa T_i \vec{e}_z \times \nabla_{\perp} n_{i0} / (eB_0 n_{i0}) = -\vec{v}_{e0} T_i / T_e$ .
- The stress tensor part yields

$$\nabla_{\perp} \cdot (n\vec{v}_{\pi}) = -\rho_i^2 \nabla_{\perp} n_{i0} \cdot \nabla_{\perp}^2 \vec{v}_{i\perp} - n_{i0} \rho_i^2 \nabla_{\perp}^2 \nabla_{\perp} \cdot \vec{v}_{i\perp}$$
$$= -\rho_i^2 \nabla_{\perp} n_{i0} \cdot \nabla_{\perp}^2 \vec{v}_{i\perp} + \frac{\rho_i^2 n_{i0}}{\Omega_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla_{\perp}^4 \left(\frac{\phi_1}{B_0} + \frac{v_{\tau i}^2}{\Omega_i} \frac{n_{i1}}{n_{i0}}\right). \tag{31}$$

• The first term in this expression, within the second order approximation limit, cancels out with  $(\vec{v}_{i0} \cdot \nabla_{\perp})\vec{e}_z \times \vec{v}_{i\perp}$  from the convective derivative in the polarization drift which appears in  $\nabla_{\perp} \cdot (n_i \vec{v}_p)$ .



• The parallel electron momentum

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \vec{v}_{e0}\nabla_{\perp}\right)A_{z1} + \frac{\partial\phi_1}{\partial z} - \frac{\kappa T_e}{n_{e0}e}\frac{\partial n_{e1}}{\partial z} - \frac{m_e\nu_e}{\mu_0e^2n_{e0}}\nabla_{\perp}^2A_{z1} = 0.$$
(32)

• The electron continuity

$$\frac{\partial n_{e1}}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{B_0} (\vec{e}_z \times \nabla_\perp \phi_1) \cdot \nabla_\perp n_{e0} + \frac{1}{\mu_0 e} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \nabla_\perp^2 A_{z1} = 0.$$
(33)

• The ion continuity

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{n_{i1}}{n_{i0}} \right) + \frac{1}{B_0} \vec{e}_z \times \nabla_\perp \phi_1 \cdot \frac{\nabla_\perp n_{i0}}{n_{i0}} - \nu_i n_{i0} \rho_i^2 \nabla_\perp^2 \left( \frac{e\phi_1}{\kappa T_i} + \frac{n_{i1}}{n_{i0}} \right)$$
$$-n_{i0} \rho_i^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla_\perp^2 \left( \frac{e\phi_1}{\kappa T_i} + \frac{n_{i1}}{n_{i0}} \right) + \frac{\rho_i^2 n_{i0}}{\Omega_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla_\perp^4 \left( \frac{\phi_1}{B_0} + \frac{v_{T_i}^2 n_{i1}}{\Omega_i} \frac{n_{i1}}{n_{i0}} \right) = 0. \quad (34)$$





• For global modes  $|
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abla_\perp| < 1$ :

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r}\frac{\partial}{\partial r} - \frac{m^2}{r^2} + \eta^2\right)\left[\widehat{A}_{z1} + c\psi(r)\right] = 0.$$
(35)

$$\psi(r) = 0$$
, or  $\psi(r) = c_1 \cosh[m\log(r)] + c_2 \sinh[m\log(r)]$ . (36)

$$\begin{split} \eta^2 &= \left[\omega(\omega + i\nu_i)\left(\omega + ma\rho_s^2\Omega_i\right)\left(\omega - ma\rho_i^2\Omega_i\right)\right.\\ &-\omega k_z^2 c_a^2 \left(\omega + ma\rho_s^2\Omega_i\right)\right] \left\{k_z^2 c_a^2 (\omega + i\nu_i)\left[\rho_s^2 (1 - i\delta_1)\left(\omega - ma\rho_i^2\Omega_i\right)\right.\\ &+ \rho_i^2 (\omega + ma\rho_s^2\Omega_i)\right]\right\}^{-1}, \quad c = \frac{\left(\omega + ma\rho_s^2\Omega_i\right)}{k_z c_a^2 \rho_s^2 \eta^2 (1 - i\delta_1)}.\end{split}$$

• Dispersion equation:

$$\eta^2 = \frac{\varepsilon_l^2}{r_0^2}.$$
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$$\Rightarrow \quad \widehat{\phi}_{1} = \frac{k_{z}^{2}c_{a}^{2}}{(\omega + i\nu_{i})(\omega - ma\rho_{i}^{2}\Omega_{i})} \left[\omega - \rho_{i}^{2}(\omega + i\nu_{i})\nabla_{\perp}^{2}\right]\widehat{A}_{z1} + \psi(r), \quad (38)$$
$$\Rightarrow \quad \widehat{n}_{1} = \frac{k_{z}}{\mu_{0}e\omega}\nabla_{\perp}^{2}\widehat{A}_{z1} - \frac{m}{r}\frac{n_{0}'}{\omega B_{0}}\widehat{\phi}_{1}. \quad (39)$$

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