

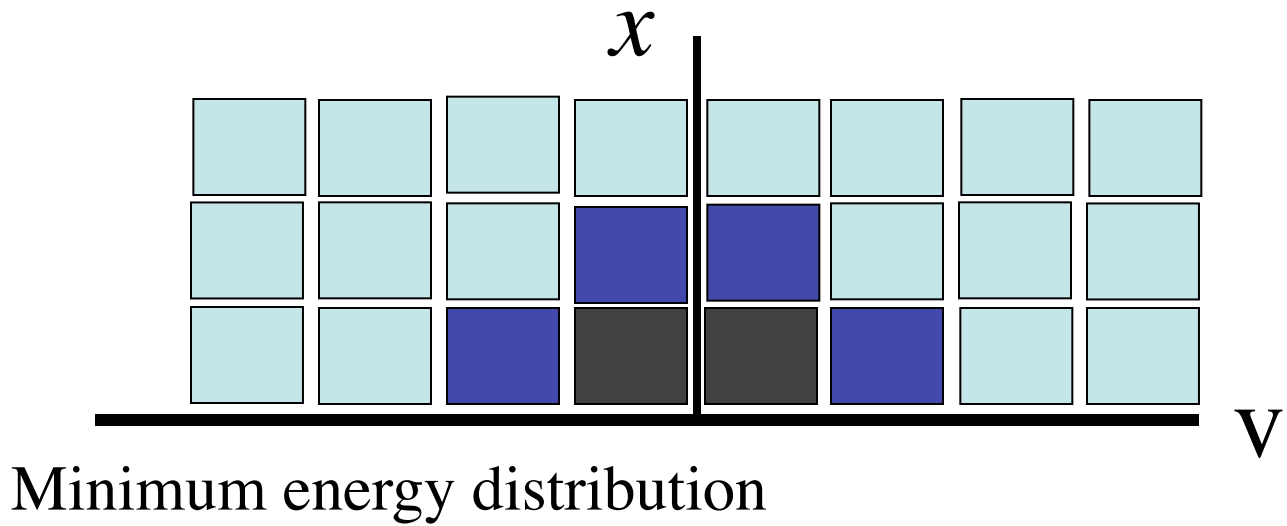
Some Mathematical Challenges in Hot Dense Plasma

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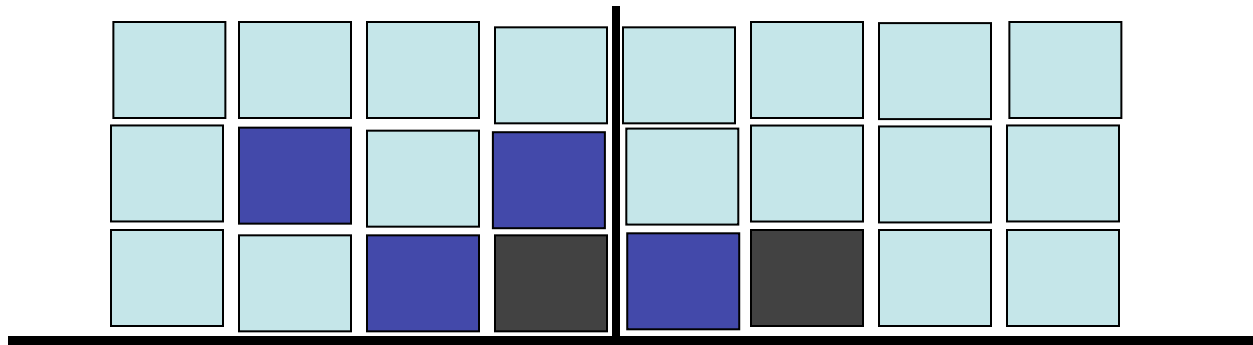
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There are a few curious mathematical questions
underlying some basic issues in hot dense plasma to
which I wish I knew the answer.

Gardener Restacking

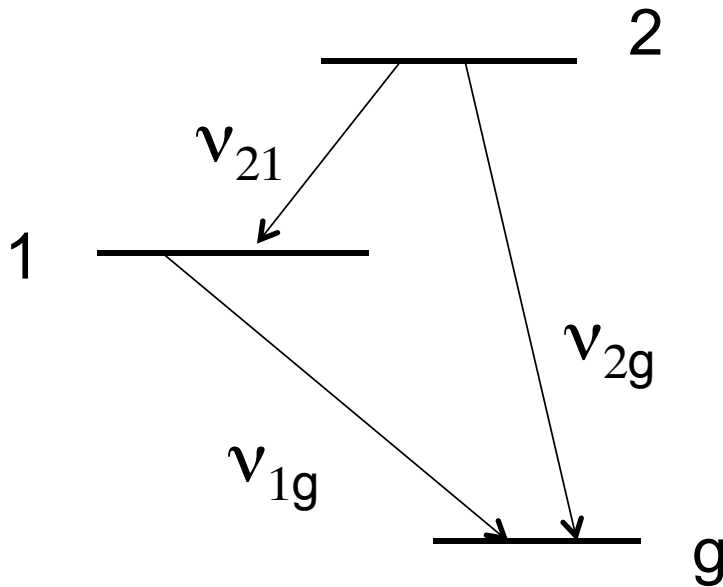


Initial energy distribution



Entropy conserving

Free Energy under Phase Space Rearrangement



$$\mathcal{E} = n_g \mathcal{E}_g + n_1 \mathcal{E}_1 + n_2 \mathcal{E}_2$$

minimized for: $n_g > n_1 > n_2$

more generally, minimize: $\mathcal{E} = \vec{n} \cdot \vec{\mathcal{E}}$

using π -pulse excitations v_{ij}

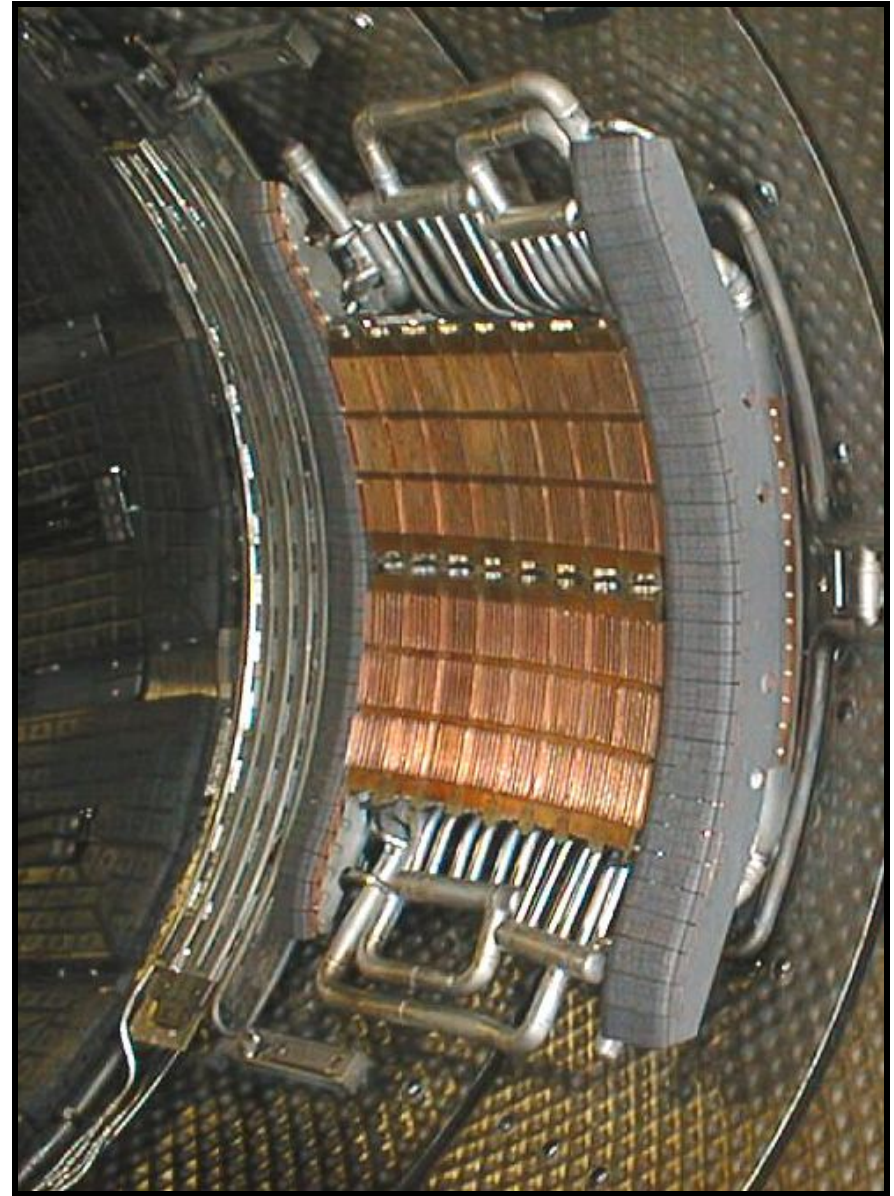
Example: for $n_1 > n_2 > n_3$ $t=0$: $n_3 \ n_2 \ n_1$

To release free energy, apply 3 (ordered) π -pulses (to exchange densities)

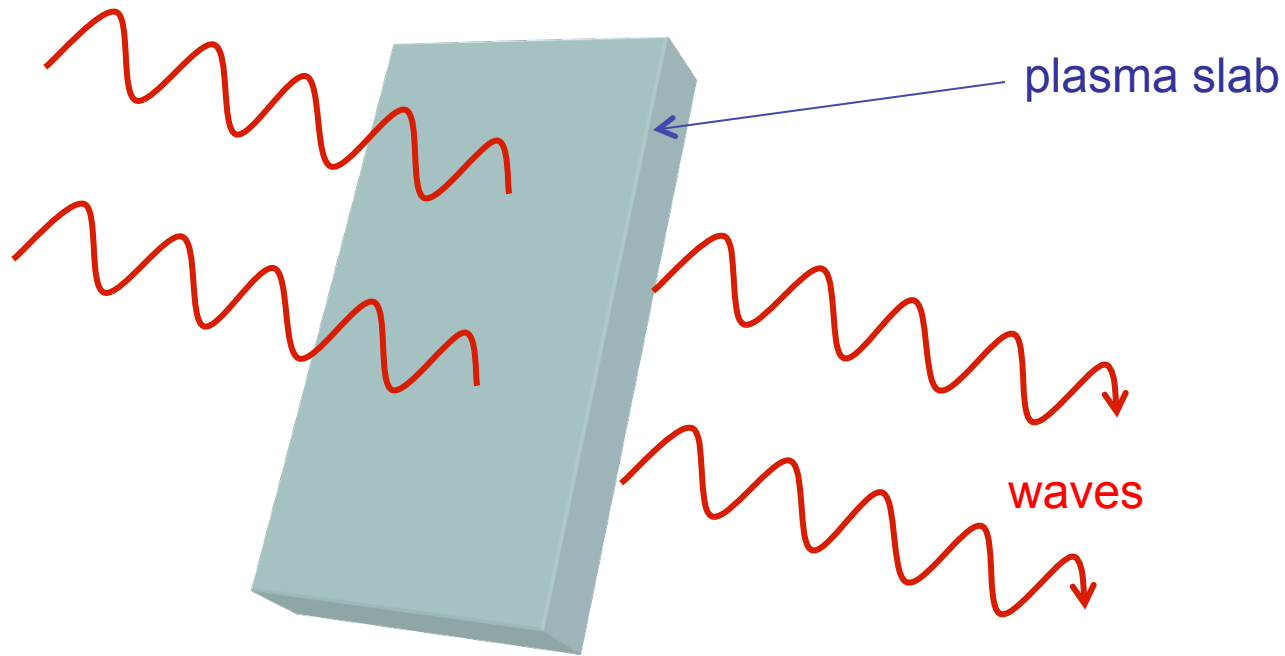
v_{21} : $n_3 \ n_1 \ n_2$ v_{1g} : $n_1 \ n_3 \ n_2$ v_{21} : $n_1 \ n_2 \ n_3$

RF Methods of Heating and Current Drive in a Tokamak

Tore Supra LH Coupler
4 MW, 1000 s, 3.7 GHz

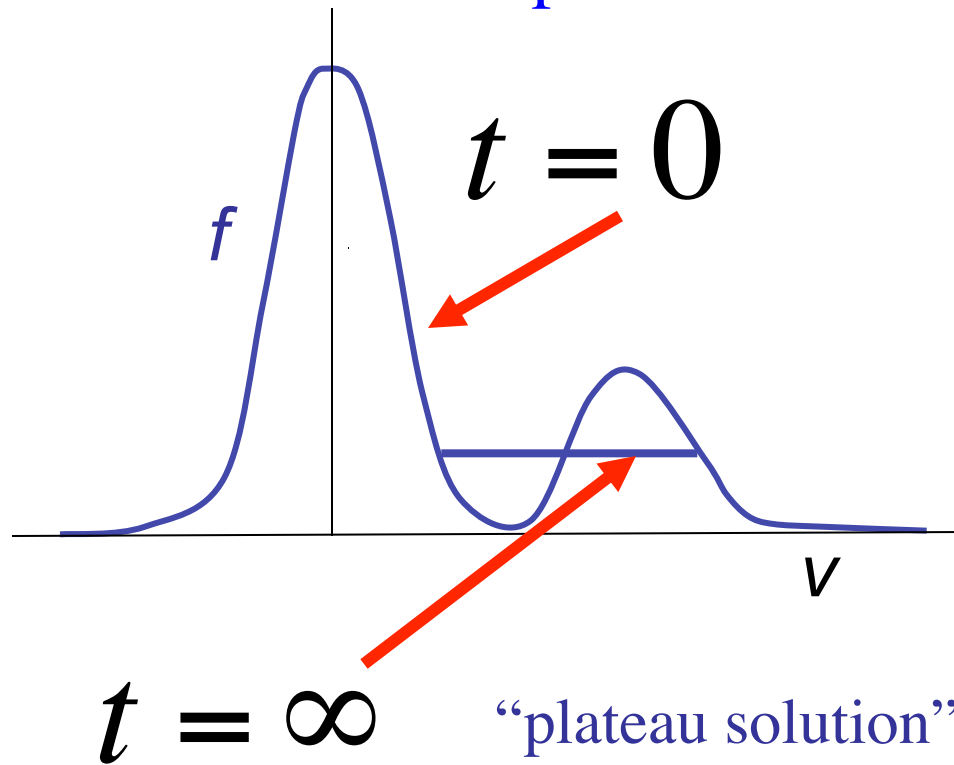


Rearrangement of Phase Space in Plasma



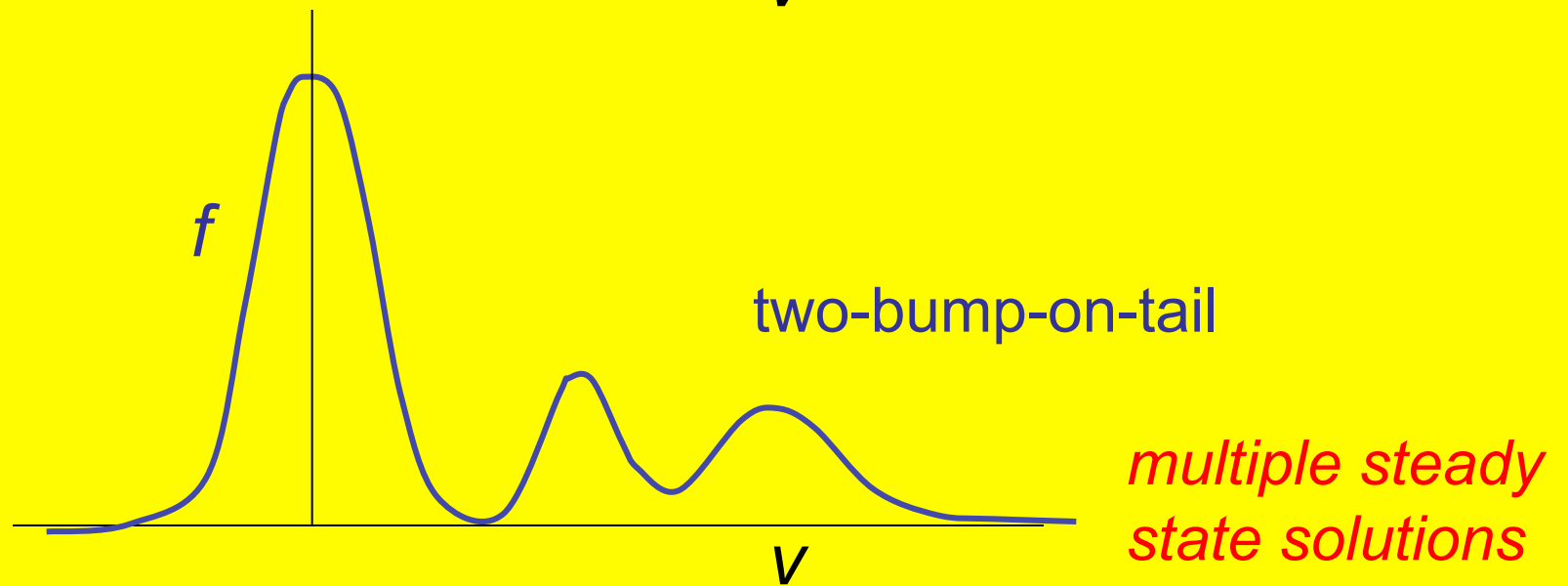
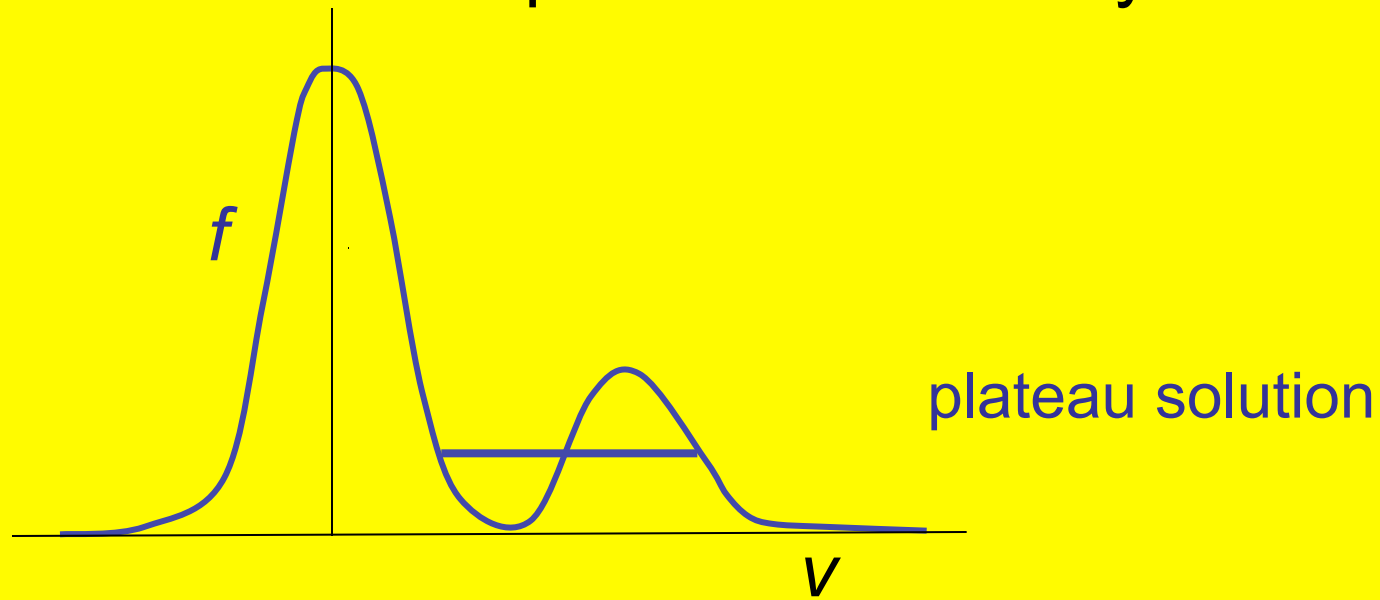
1. Current drive
2. One-way wall
3. Coupled diffusion in position-velocity: “alpha-channeling”

“Bump-on-tail” Instability



Free energy is due to equalizing population inversion
Not entropy conserving

“Bump-on-tail” Instability



Free Energy under *constrained* Phase Space Rearrangement

minimize: $\mathcal{E} = \vec{n} \cdot \vec{\mathcal{E}}$

under **phase space conservation**

for atoms, use π -pulse excitations v_{ij} : solution sequence $(v_{ij1}, v_{ij2}, \dots)$

for plasma, use Hamiltonian forces: “Gardner restacking”

under **diffusion constraint** the free energy is not so easily found

for example: apply sequence (v_{10}, v_{21}) under diffusion constraint

	ϵ_0	ϵ_1	ϵ_2
Initial	n_0	n_1	n_2
Step1	$(n_1 + n_0)/2$	$(n_1 + n_0)/2$	n_2
Step2	$(n_1 + n_0)/2$	$(n_1 + n_0)/4 + n_2/2$	$(n_1 + n_0)/4 + n_2/2$

Example

		$\epsilon_0 = 0$	$\epsilon_1 = 1$	$\epsilon_2 = 4$
Initial	$W_0 = 22$	$n_0 = 0$	$n_1 = 2$	$n_2 = 5$
Step 1	$W_1 = 12$	$5/2$	2	$5/2$
Step 2	$W_2 = 45/4$	$5/2$	$9/4$	$9/4$

Apply (v_{20}, v_{21})

		$\epsilon_0 = 0$	$\epsilon_1 = 1$	$\epsilon_2 = 4$
Initial	$W_0 = 22$	0	2	5
Step 1	$W_1 = 21$	1	1	5
Step 2	$W_2 = 13$	3	1	3
Step 3	$W_3 = 10$	3	2	2

Apply (v_{10}, v_{20}, v_{21})

Better strategy

Strategy 1: Diffuse particles first between similar population levels

Example (continued)

		$\epsilon_0 = 0$	$\epsilon_1 = 1$	$\epsilon_2 = 4$
Initial	$W_0 = 22$	0	2	5
Step 1	$W_1 = 35/2$	0	$7/2$	$7/2$
Step 2	$W_2 = 21/2$	$7/4$	$7/2$	$7/4$
Step 2	$W_3 = 77/8$	$21/8$	$21/8$	$7/4$

Apply (v_{21}, v_{20}, v_{10})

Best strategy

		$\epsilon_0 = 0$	$\epsilon_1 = 1$	$\epsilon_2 = 4$
Step 1	$W_1 = 35/2$	0	$7/2$	$7/2$
Step 2	$W_2 = 63/4$	$7/4$	$7/4$	$7/2$
Step 3	$W_3 = 49/4$	$21/8$	$7/4$	$21/8$
Step 4	$W_4 = 175/16$	$21/8$	$35/16$	$35/16$

$(v_{21}, v_{10}, v_{20}, v_{21})$

Poor strategy

Strategy 2: Deplete particles first from high energy levels

Statement of the Problem

Discrete: Find the sequence $\{v_{ij}\}$ that minimizes: $W = \vec{n} \cdot \vec{\varepsilon}$

Continuous: Let
$$\frac{\partial f(v,t)}{\partial t} = \int K(v,v',t) [f(v',t) - f(v,t)]$$

$$K(v,v',t) = K(v',v,t)$$

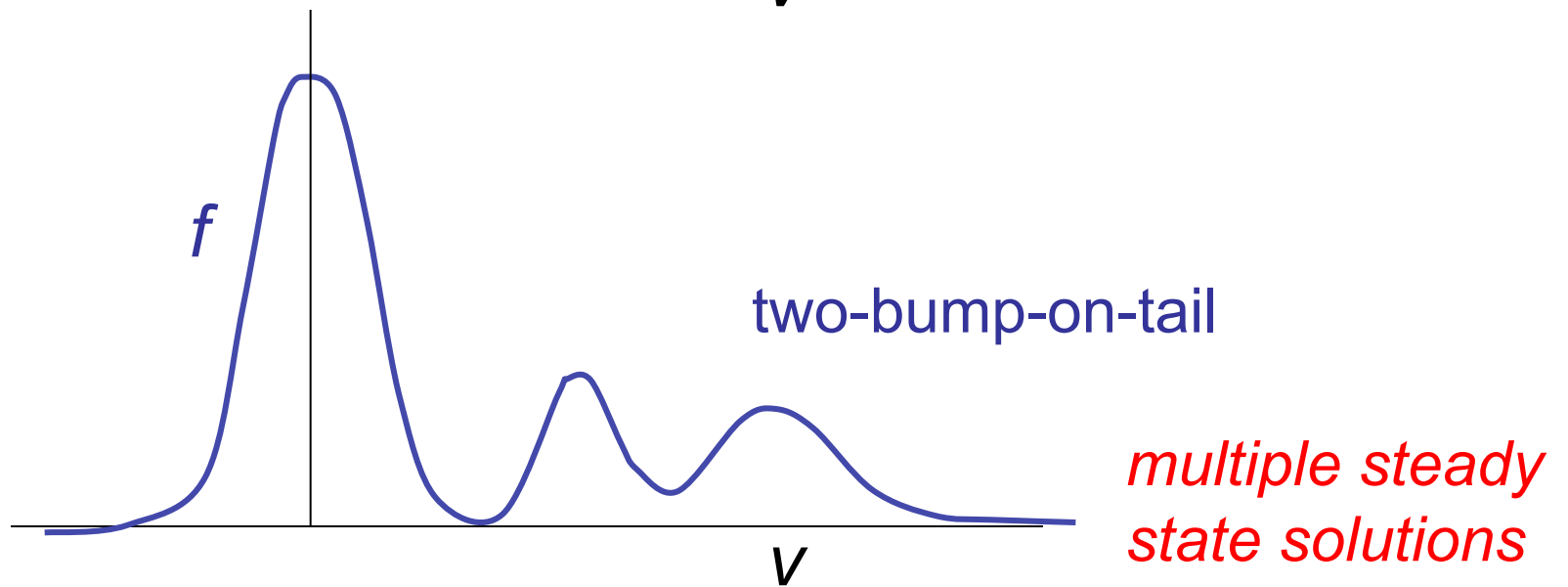
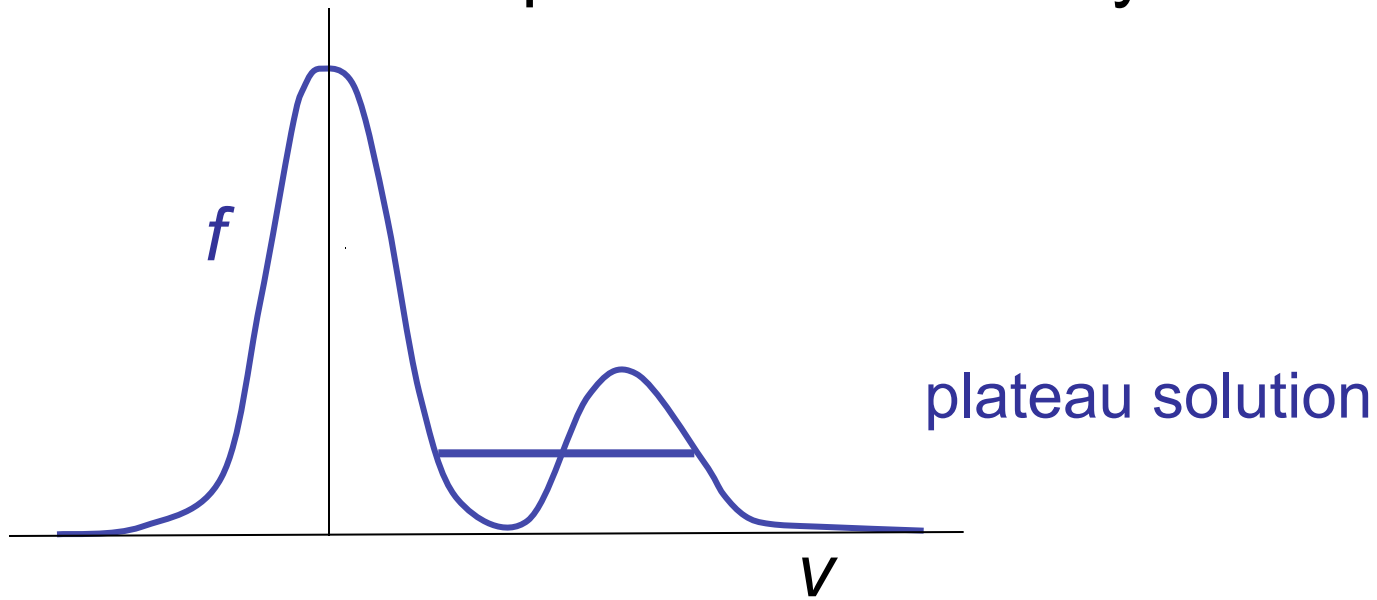
$$K(v,v',t) \geq 0$$

$$W(t) = \int \varepsilon(v) f(v,t) dv$$

Then find K that minimizes $W(t \rightarrow \infty)$.

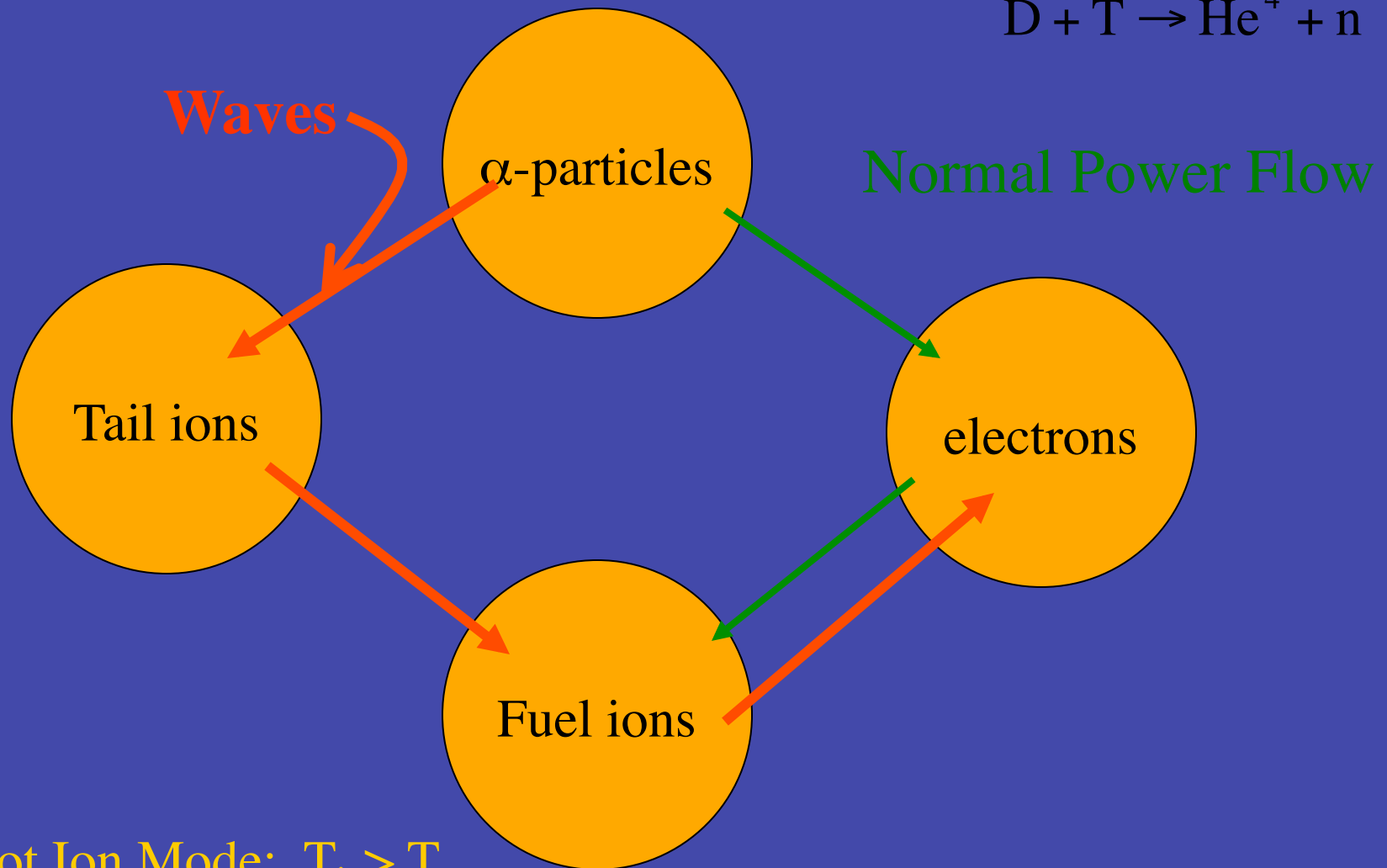
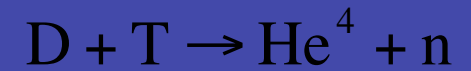
Note the H-theorem:
$$\frac{d}{dt} \int f(v,t)^2 dv \leq 0$$

“Bump-on-tail” Instability



Power Flow in a Fusion Reactor

Advantages of “ α -Channeling”

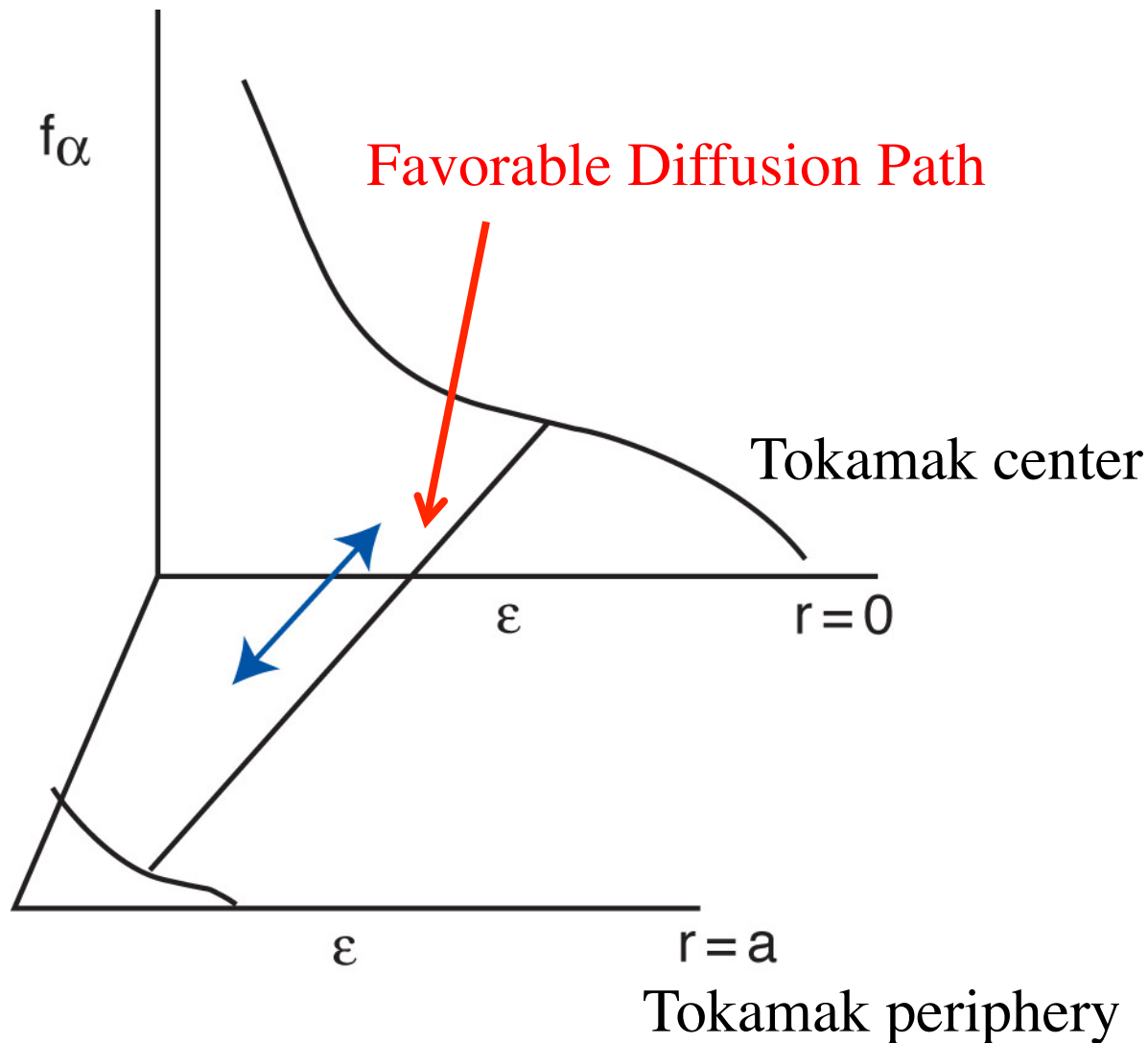


Get Hot Ion Mode: $T_i > T_e$
75% of α power to ions $\Rightarrow P_f \rightarrow 2 P_f$

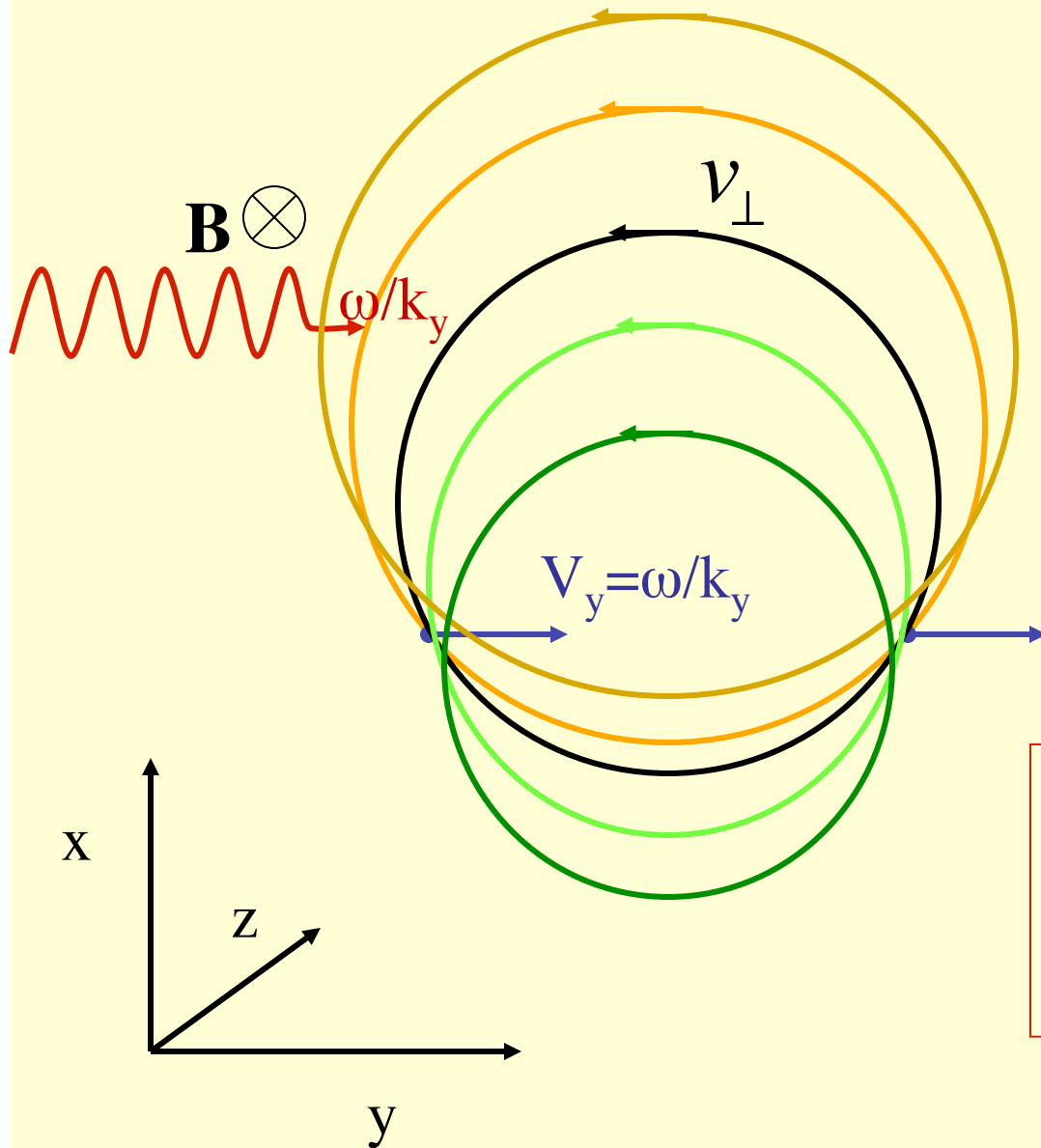
Extracting Free Energy

Fisch and Rax, 1992

motivated by:
Wong and Ono, 1984



Diffusion Paths



$$v_y \rightarrow v_y + \Delta v_y$$

$$x_{gc} \rightarrow x_{gc} + \Delta v_y / \Omega$$

$$\Omega \equiv eB/m$$

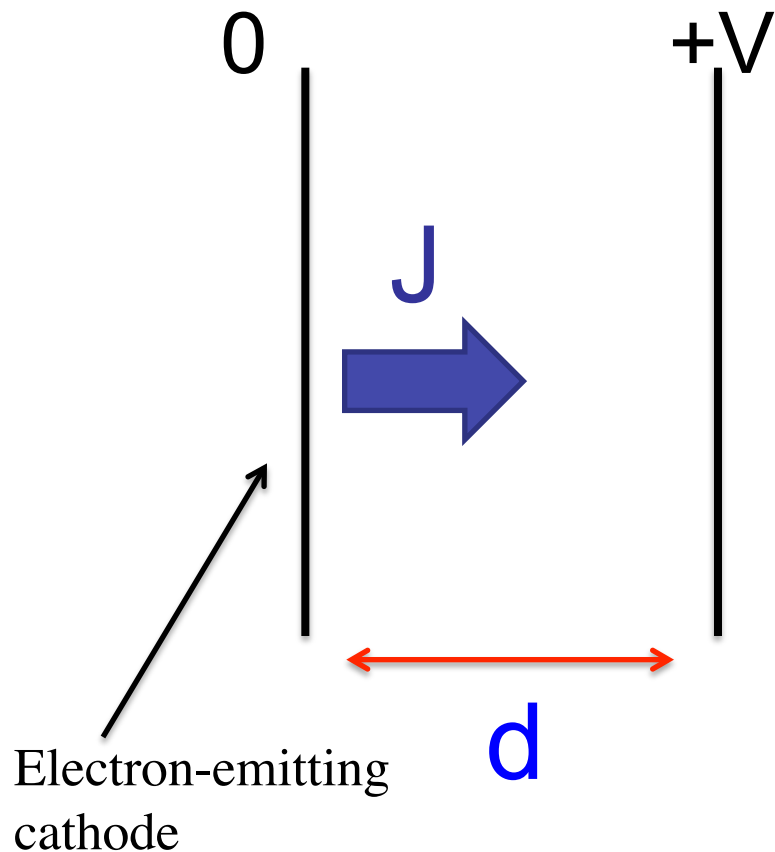
$$\Delta E = m v_y \Delta v_y$$

$$x_{gc} \rightarrow x_{gc} + \frac{\Delta E}{m \Omega \omega / k_y}$$

Fisch and Rax, 1992

Herrmann and Fisch, 1997

Child-Langmuir Law (rigorous upper bound)



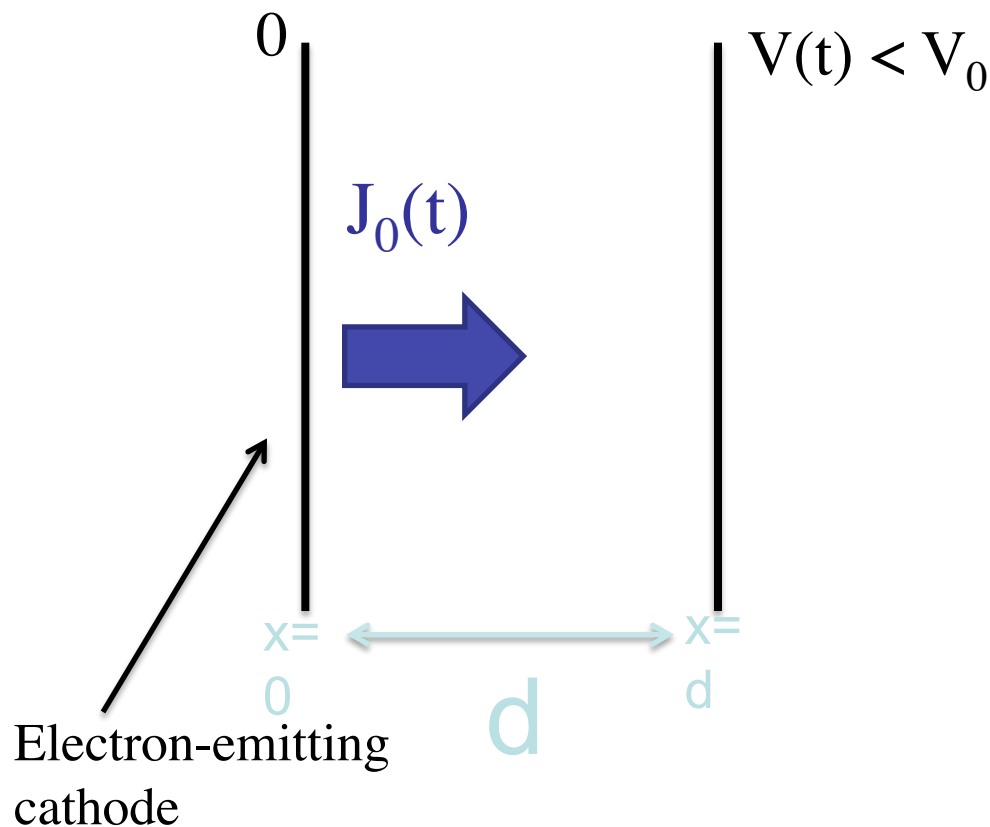
steady-state, maximum
current density that can pass
through a diode, Child-
Langmuir Law:

$$J_{CL} = \frac{4}{9} \epsilon_0 \sqrt{\frac{2e}{m}} \frac{V^{3/2}}{d^2}$$

Generalizations of Child-Langmuir

- nonzero injection velocity, and Maxwellian distribution (Langmuir, 1923)
- Relativistic (Chetvertkov, 1985)
- Time-Varying voltage to reduce transients (Kadish, Peter, Jones 1985)
- Quantum (Y. Y. Lau, 1991)
- Multi-Dimensional (Y. Y. Lau, Luginsland, 2002)
- Short Pulses (Y. Y. Lau, Valfells 2002)

Time-Dependent Boundary Conditions

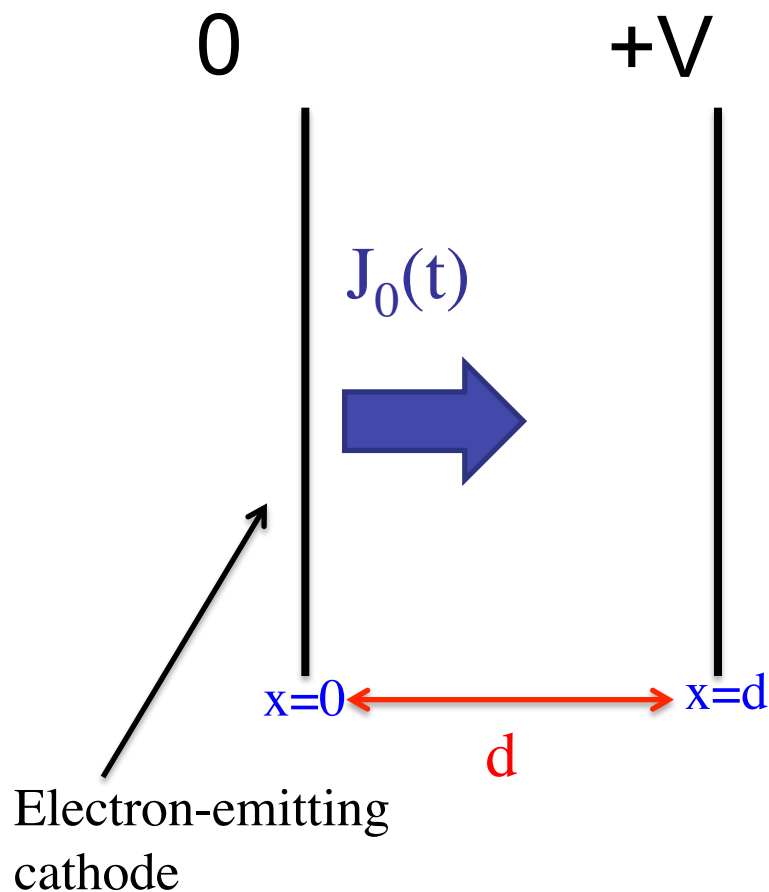


Instantaneous current leaving the diode can exceed the steady-state limit.

But what about the average current over a long period of time?

(Unremarkable) Upper Bound for Time-Averaged Current Density

Griswold, Fisch and Wurtele (2010)



$$J_{CL} \leq \frac{Q_{\max}}{\tau_{\min}} \leq 2.45 \cdot J_{CL}$$

τ_{\min} is the minimum transit time of an electron across the diode.

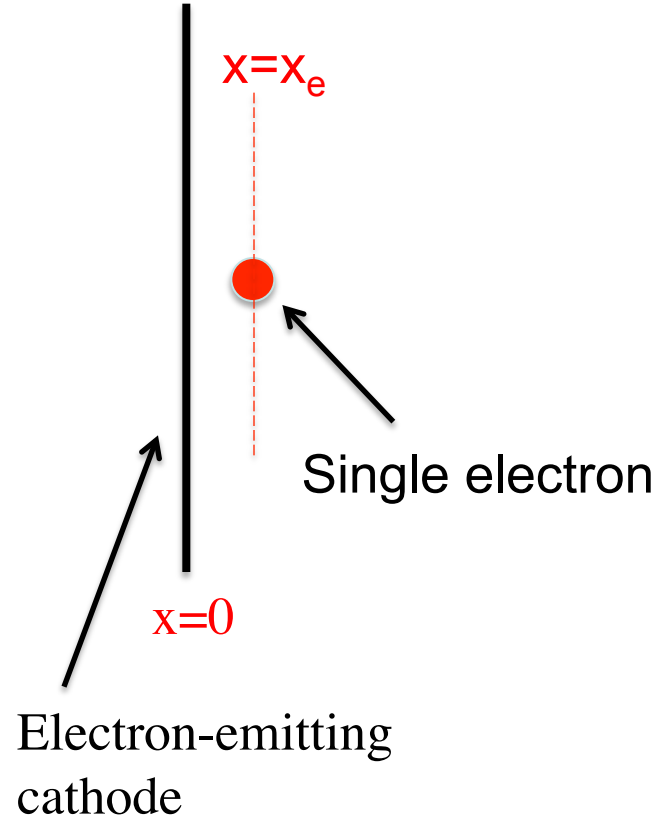
Q_{\max} is the maximum charge (per unit area) that can be injected into the diode without violating the boundary condition at the cathode $qE(x=0) \geq 0$.

PIC simulations led us to conjecture that the time dependent limit is equal to the steady-state limit.

Exception:

J_{CL} exceeded by 13% in few Electron “Coulomb Blockade” Regime

Zhu and Ang (2011)



Here electron does not get pushed back into the cathode:

$$qE(x_e) \geq 0$$

discontinuity in the electric field at the electron means the field at the cathode can fall below zero:

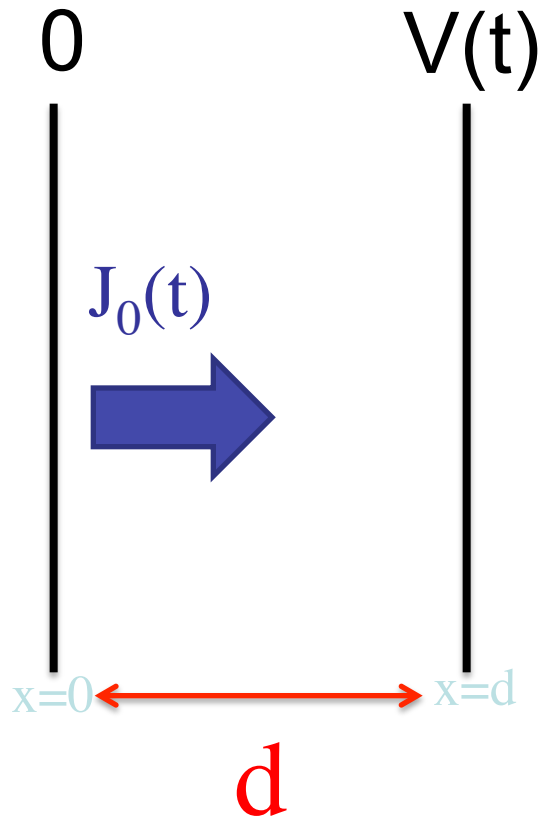
$$qE(x = 0) \geq \frac{-q^2}{2\epsilon_0 A}$$

Griswold, Fisch and Wurtele (2012).

Time Dependent Child-Langmuir Limit with Time Dependent Flux and Voltage

Cafilisch and Rosin (2011) arXiv: 1110.2840v1

What is the proper limit to use in this case?



$$J_{CL} = \frac{4}{9} \epsilon_0 \sqrt{\frac{2e}{m}} \frac{V^{3/2}}{d^2} \quad (\text{steady-state})$$

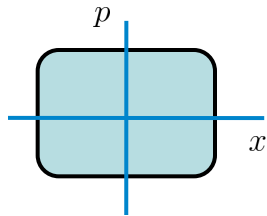
Cafilisch and Rosin showed that it is possible to exceed the adiabatic average of the limit:

$$\bar{J}_{\max} \sim \frac{4}{9} \epsilon_0 \sqrt{\frac{2e}{m}} \langle V^{3/2}(t) \rangle$$

We use the limit defined by the “maximal” boundary conditions

Adiabatic Compression of Waves

$$\Delta p = 2mU = -2m \frac{\Delta L}{\Delta t} = -\frac{\Delta L}{L} p$$



$$\oint p dx = \text{inv}$$

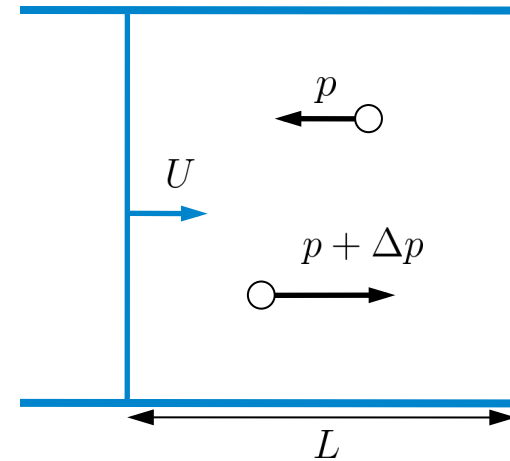
$$\mathcal{E} = Np^2/(2m) \propto L^{-2} \propto V^{-2}$$

- Wave as a number of quanta:

$$\mathcal{E}/\omega = \hbar N = I$$

$$J = I/\mathcal{V}$$

$$\partial_t J + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{v}_g J) = 0$$



$$E = \hbar\omega \quad p = \hbar k$$

$$\oint p dx = \text{inv} \Rightarrow kL = \text{inv}$$

$$\omega = kc$$

$$\mathcal{E} = N\hbar\omega = N\hbar ck \propto L^{-1} \propto V^{-1}$$

What happens to imbedded waves as plasma is compressed?

Regime of adiabatic compression:

$$\frac{1}{\nu} < \tau_{comp} < \frac{1}{\omega}$$

Action conservation: $\frac{VE^2}{\omega} \sim const$

Example:
Plasma Waves

$$\omega \sim n^{1/2} \sim V^{-1/2}$$



$$E \sim V^{-3/4} \sim n^{3/4}$$

$$P_{pw} = \frac{E^2}{16\pi}$$



$$P_{pw} V^{3/2} = const$$

compare: $PV^\gamma = const$

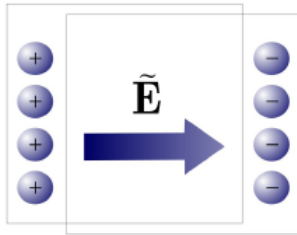
$$3D: \gamma = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$1D: \gamma = 3$$

$$\gamma = \frac{m+2}{m}$$

Langmuir Wave Compression: Fluid Approach

$$\omega_p^2 = 4\pi N e^2 / m_e$$



- Models vary in EOS, or the expression for $\hat{\mathbf{P}}_e$

$$\partial_t N_e + \nabla \cdot (N_e \mathbf{V}_e) = 0$$

$$\partial_t \mathbf{V}_e + (\mathbf{V}_e \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{V}_e = -(e/m_e) \nabla \varphi - \nabla \cdot \hat{\mathbf{P}}_e / (N_e m_e)$$

- Don't *assume* EOS; instead, *derive* it from

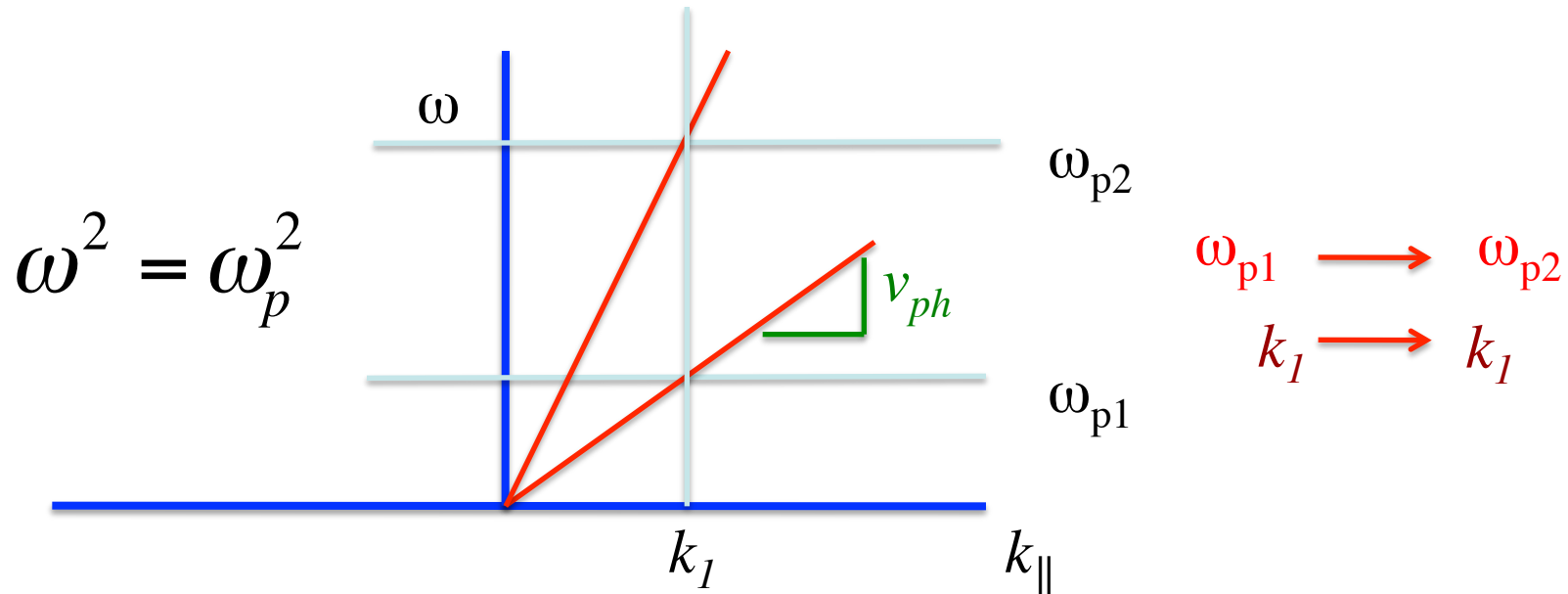
$$\partial_t \hat{\mathbf{P}}_e + (\mathbf{V}_e \cdot \nabla) \hat{\mathbf{P}}_e + \hat{\mathbf{P}}_e (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{V}_e) + [(\hat{\mathbf{P}}_e \nabla) \mathbf{V}_e] + [(\hat{\mathbf{P}}_e \nabla) \mathbf{V}_e]^T = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial'^2 n}{\partial t^2} + \omega_p^2 n - C_{j\ell} \frac{\partial^2 n}{\partial x_j \partial x_\ell} + \\ + 2 \frac{\partial' n}{\partial t} \left(\frac{\Omega}{\omega_p} \frac{\partial \omega_p}{\partial x_\ell} + k_j W_{j\ell} \right) \frac{k_\ell}{k^2} - \left(\delta_{js} + \frac{k_j k_s}{k^2} \right) \frac{\partial C_{s\ell}}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial n}{\partial x_\ell} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\omega^2 = \omega_p^2 + 3k^2 v_{Te}^2 \approx \omega_p^2$$

$$\mathcal{E} = |E|^2 / (8\pi) \propto N^{3/2}$$

Compression Perpendicular to k

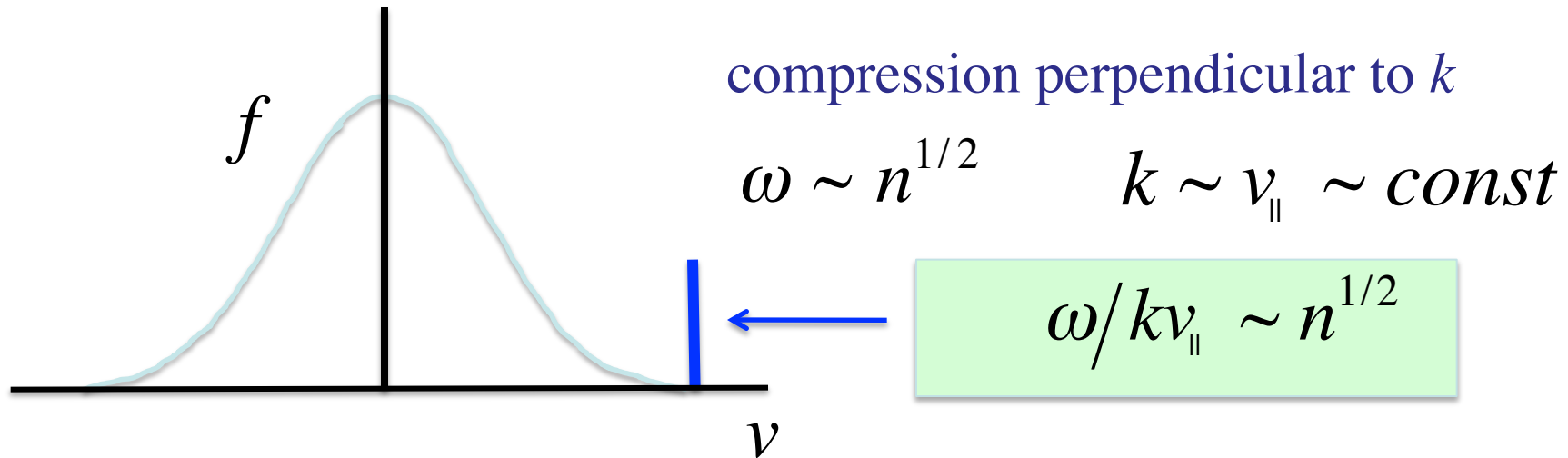


Under compression: Less damping,

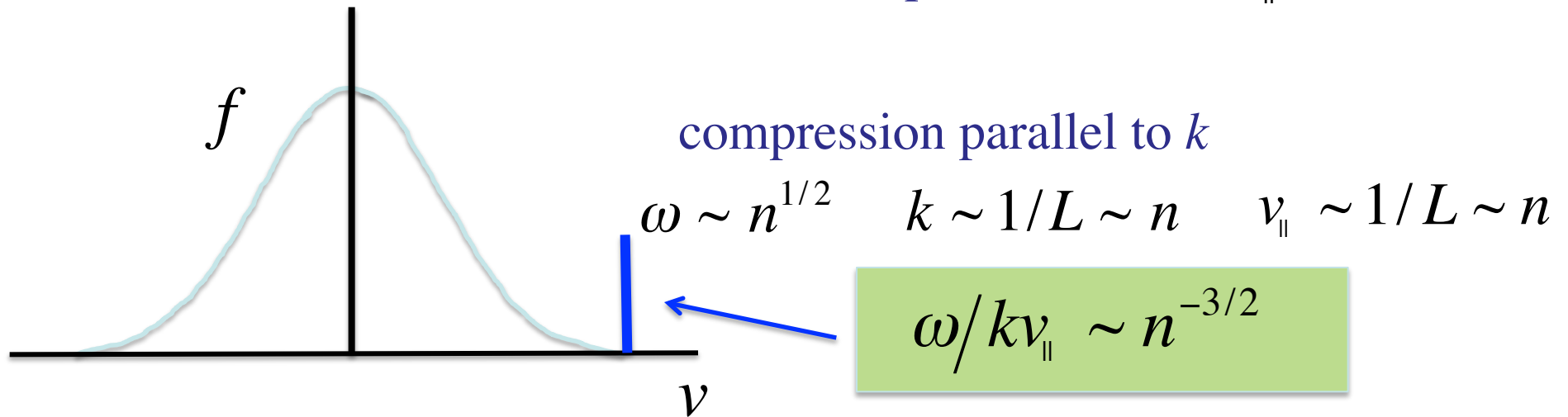
if collisionless $\longrightarrow T_{\perp} > T_{\parallel}$

Under expansion: More damping, $T_{\perp} < T_{\parallel}$

Current Drive and Heating



Note: under expansion, $T_{\perp} < T_{\parallel}$

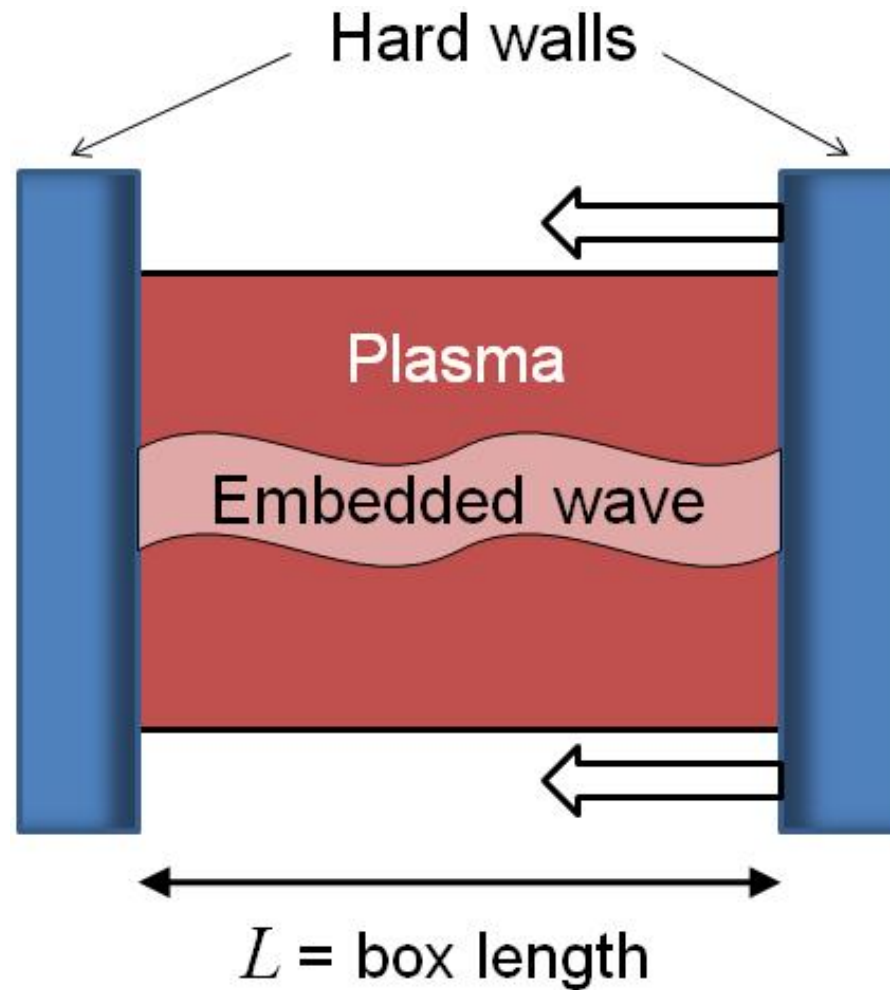


Note: under compression, $T_{\perp} < T_{\parallel}$

In either case, extra wave energy can accentuate energy difference

Particle Simulations

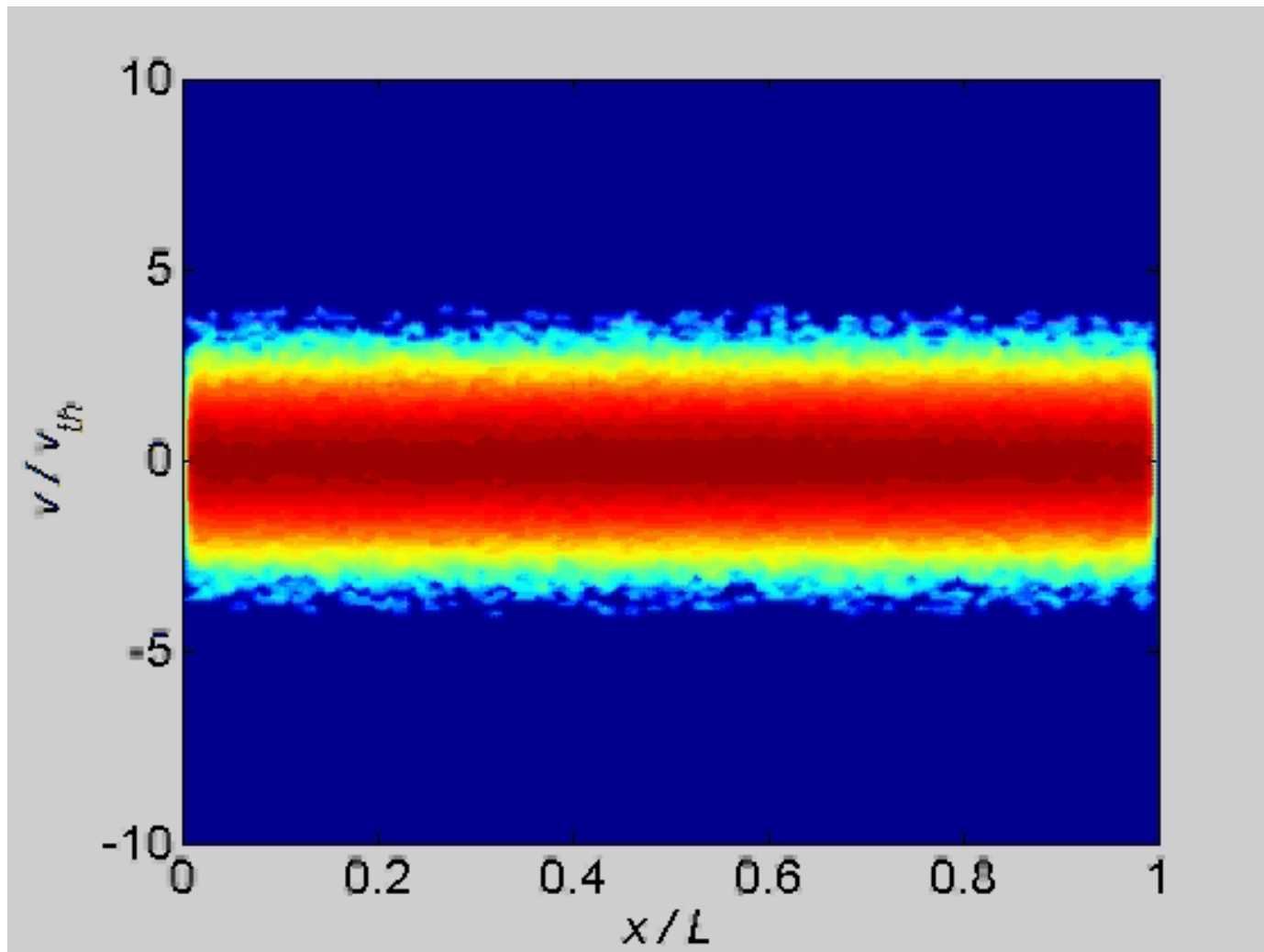
Schmit et al, 2010



PIC simulation schematic

Plasma wave compression

Longitudinally compressing Langmuir wave – $f(x,v)$



Langmuir Wave “Switch”

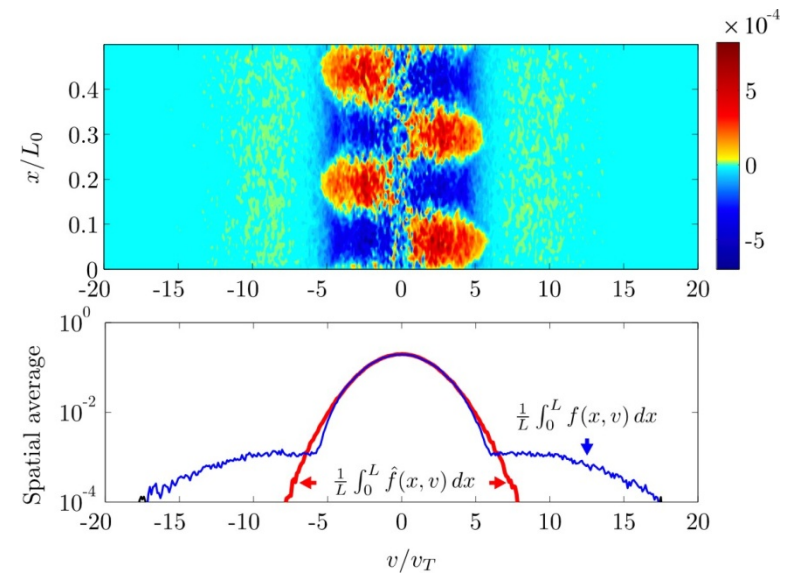
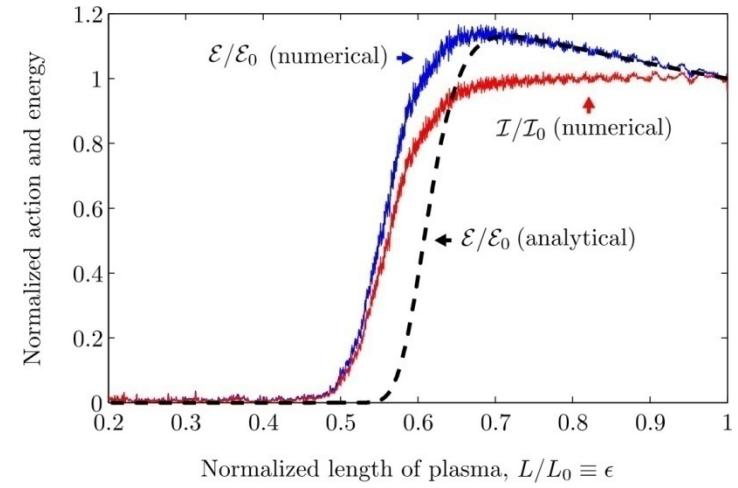
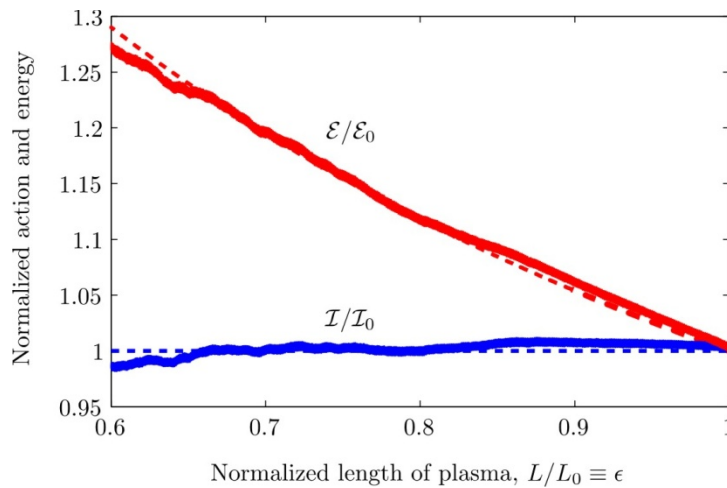
$$\omega^2 = \omega_p^2 + 3k^2 v_{Te}^2 \approx \omega_p^2(n)$$

$$|E| \propto n^{3/4}$$

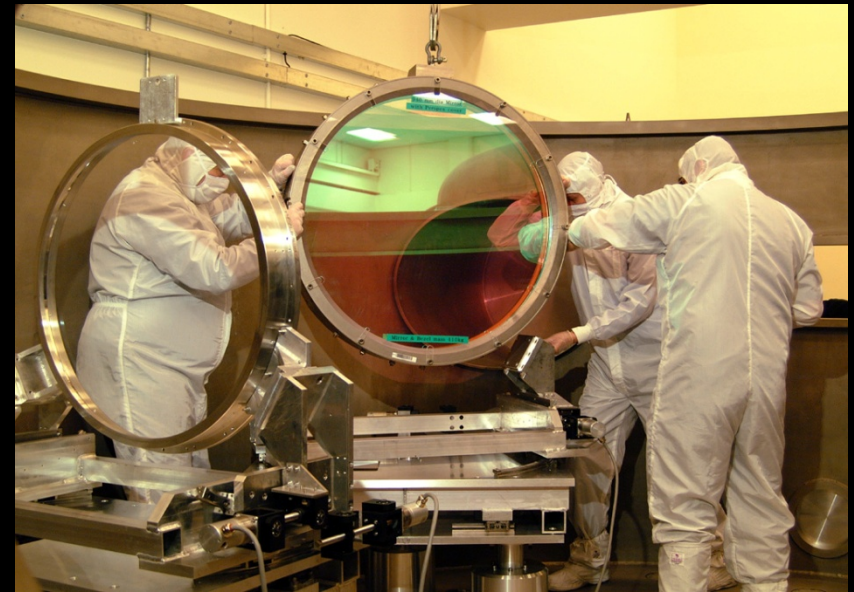
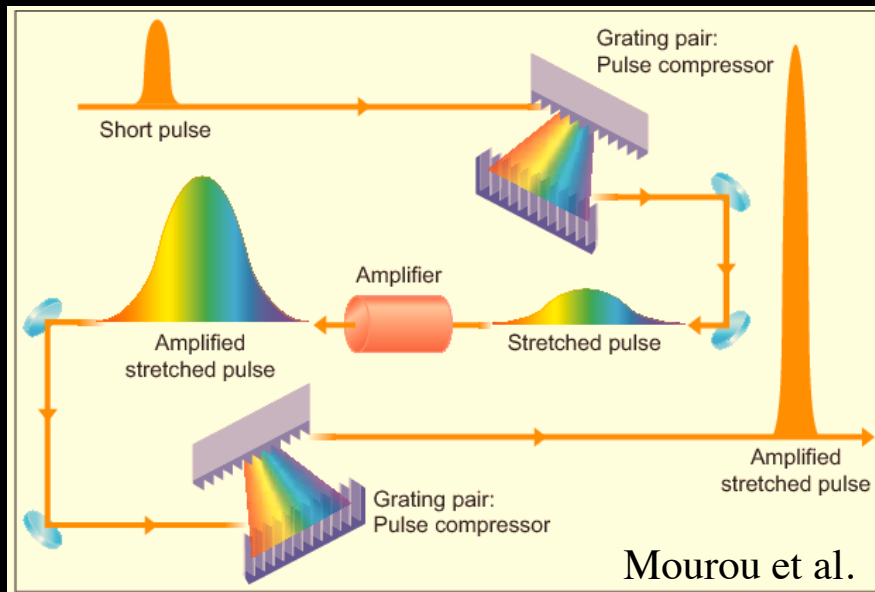
$$k\lambda_D \propto L^{-3/2}$$

Dodin, Geyko, and Fisch, Phys. Plasmas (2010)

Schmit, Dodin, and Fisch, PRL (2010)



Chirped Pulse Amplification: stretch, amplify, then recompress



Gratings for Petawatt (10^{15}W) Laser

Limitations of CPA

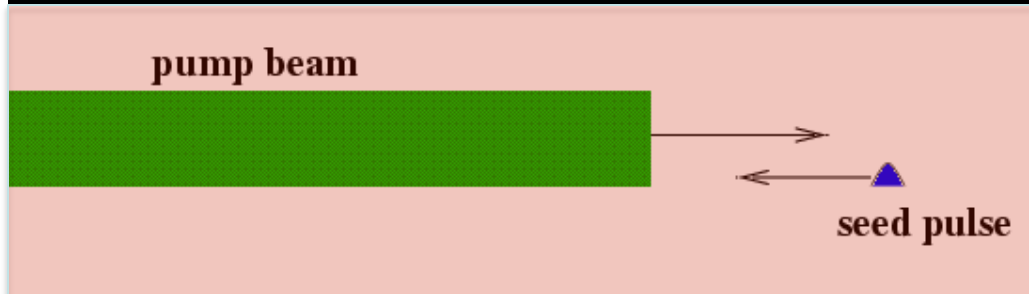
Thermal damage to expensive gratings

Requires broad-bandwidth high-fluence amplifiers

10^3 compression < 10 ps

GW/cm² in amplifier \rightarrow TW/cm² \rightarrow For PW 10^3 cm² gratings

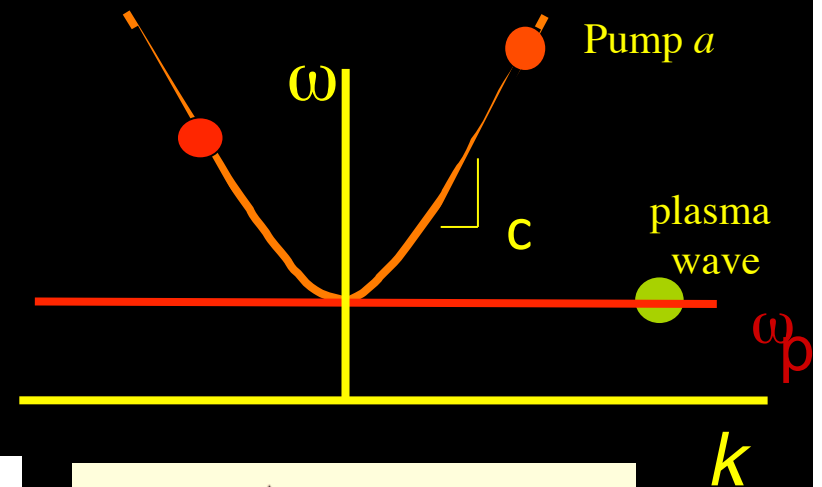
Resonant Raman Amplification and Compression



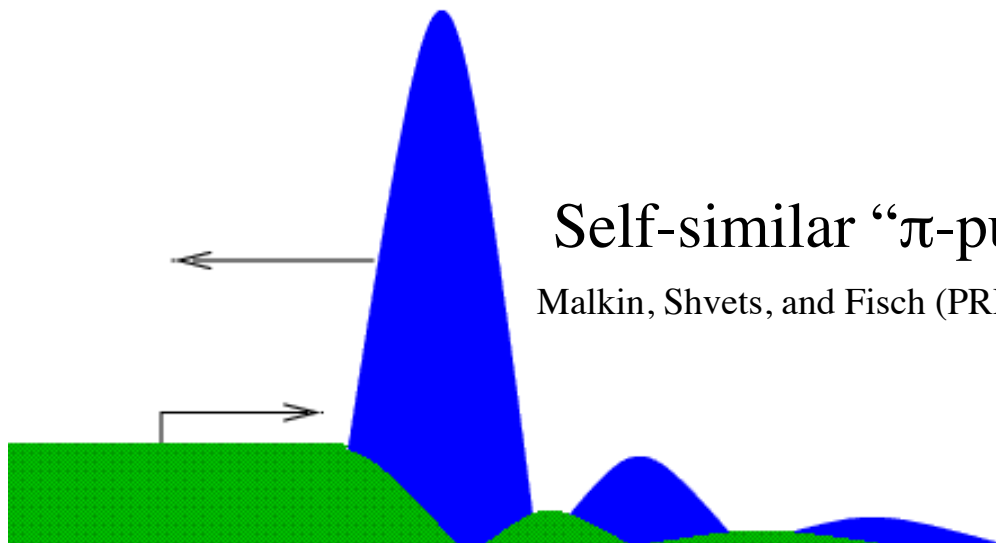
resonance
condition

$$\omega_a - \omega_b = \omega_p$$

$$\vec{k}_a - \vec{k}_b = \vec{k}_p$$

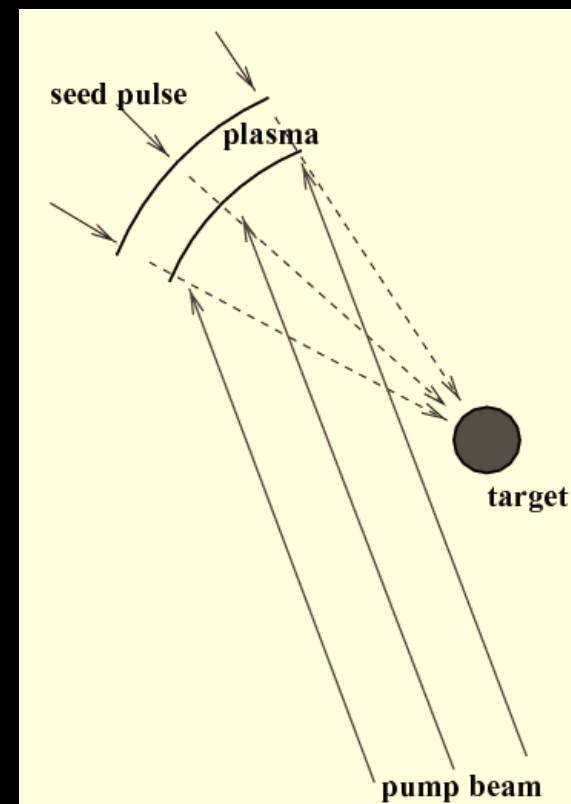


amplified pulse

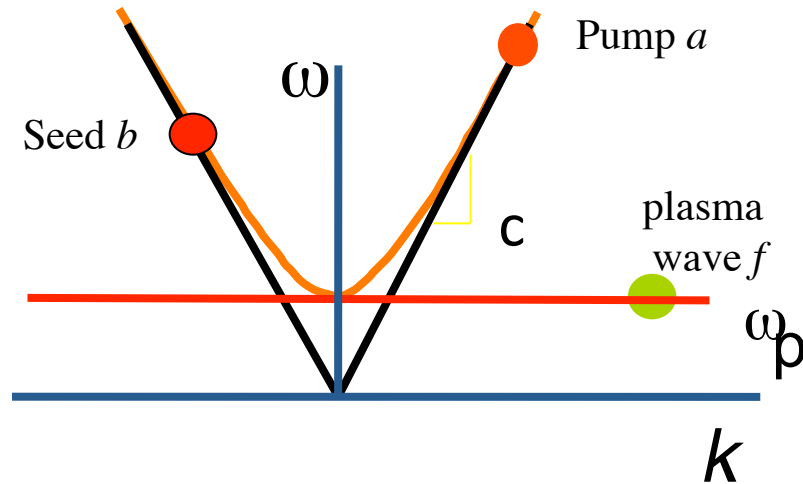


Self-similar “ π -pulse”

Malkin, Shvets, and Fisch (PRL, 1999)



Moderately under-critical plasma



$$a_t + c_a a_z = V_3 f b$$

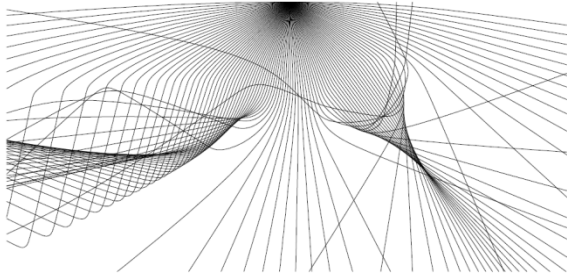
$$b_t - c_b b_z = -V_3 a f^* - i\kappa b_{tt} + iR |b|^2 b$$

$$f_t = -V_3 a b^*$$

Method of Dodin – Generalized Lagrangian Approach

Modeling wave propagation in a dispersive medium: Linear waves

- Asymptotic geometrical-optics, or eikonal methods of modeling wave propagation:
e.g., Runborg (2007), Kravtsov and Orlov (1990)...



Ray tracing

$$\mathfrak{D}(\omega, \mathbf{k}; t, \mathbf{x}) = 0$$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} = \mathbf{v}_g, \quad \frac{d\mathbf{k}}{dt} = -\nabla\omega$$

Hamilton-Jacobi methods

$$\mathfrak{D}(-\partial_t S, \nabla S; t, \mathbf{x}) = 0$$

Wave kinetic equation

$$\mathfrak{D}(\omega, \mathbf{k}; t, \mathbf{x}) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v}_g \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{x}} - \nabla\omega \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{k}} = 0$$



Method of momenta

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{\mathcal{E}}{\omega} \right) + \nabla \cdot \left(\mathbf{v}_g \frac{\mathcal{E}}{\omega} \right) = 0$$

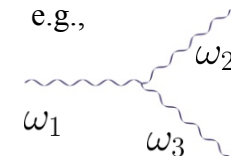
action conservation theorem =
continuity equation for the photon density

Modeling wave propagation in a dispersive medium: Nonlinear waves

- A physical model must be conservative:

- Single wave still conserves its action, or quanta
- Resonant interactions conserve Manley-Rowe integrals

e.g.,



$$\begin{aligned} N_1 + N_2 &= \text{const} \\ N_1 + N_3 &= \text{const} \\ N_2 - N_3 &= \text{const} \end{aligned}$$

NLSE

Wigner-Moyal

Method of momenta

$$f \approx \sum \mathcal{I}(t, \mathbf{x}) \delta(\mathbf{p} - \Delta \mathbf{k})$$

$$\mathbf{v}_g \equiv \mathbf{v}_{g0} + \mathbf{v}'_{g0} \cdot \Delta \mathbf{k}$$

$$\omega = \omega_0 + \partial_{\mathbf{k}} \omega_0 \cdot \Delta \mathbf{k} + \omega_{\text{NL}}$$

$$i(\partial_t \psi + \mathbf{v}_{g0} \cdot \nabla \psi) + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{v}'_{g0} : \nabla^2 \psi - \omega_{\text{NL}} \psi = C(\psi)$$

$$\partial_t f + (\mathbf{v}_{g0} + \mathbf{v}'_{g0} \cdot \mathbf{p}) \cdot \partial_{\mathbf{x}} f - \omega_{\text{NL}} \sin \left(\frac{1}{2} \overleftarrow{\partial}_{\mathbf{x}} \overrightarrow{\partial}_{\mathbf{p}} \right) f = C(f)$$

$$\partial_t \mathcal{I} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{v}_g \mathcal{I}) = C(\mathcal{I})$$

$$\partial_t \mathbf{k} + \nabla \omega = 0$$

- But... These *nonlinear* GO envelope equations assume

- that the nonlinearity is adequately modeled by the NLSE
- that the underlying medium is homogeneous and stationary

Weakly nonlinear GO waves in inhomogeneous nonstationary medium

- Field-theoretical Lagrangian approach yields equations that are conservative in *general* GO medium, at all z and t

Single wave

Whitham (1965), Bretherton and Garrett (1968)...

Lagrangian density: $\mathfrak{L}(a, \omega, \mathbf{k})$

dispersion relation: $\mathfrak{L}_a = 0$

envelope equation: $\partial_t \mathfrak{L}_\omega - \nabla \cdot \mathfrak{L}_\mathbf{k} = 0$

Multiple resonant waves

e.g., $\eta = \theta_1 - \theta_2 - \theta_3$

$$\mathfrak{L}_{a_j} = 0$$

$$\partial_t \mathbf{k}_j = -\nabla \omega_j$$

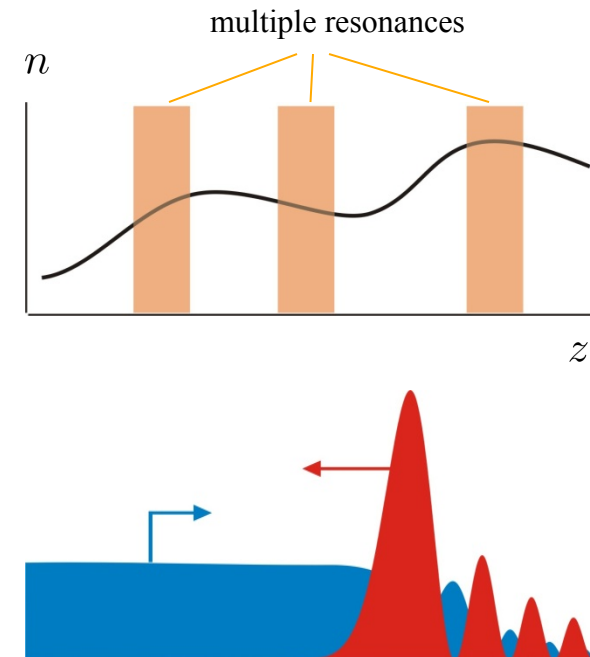
$$\partial_t \mathfrak{L}_{\omega_j} - \nabla \cdot \mathfrak{L}_{\mathbf{k}_j} = \pm \mathfrak{L}_\eta$$

$$\partial_t \eta = \omega_1 - \omega_2 - \omega_3$$

- Included beat phases, $\mathfrak{L} = \mathfrak{L}(a_j, \omega_j, \mathbf{k}_j, \eta)$

- Closed set of slow-motion PDEs
- Any resonances (linear and nonlinear) and wave self-action included
- Wave action/Manley-Rowe integrals are manifestly conserved
- ...and, in plasma, we also know the nonlinear Lagrangian explicitly!

cf. Brizard and Kaufman (1995)



Method of Dodin -- Master Lagrangian: Raman scattering as an example

- The wave Lagrangian can be expressed through ensemble-averaged oscillation-center energies
- Making approximation *in the Lagrangian* does not affect the conservative properties of the equations

- Example:

$$\mathcal{H} \approx \frac{P^2}{2m} + \frac{e^2 |\mathbf{E}|^2}{4m\omega^2}$$

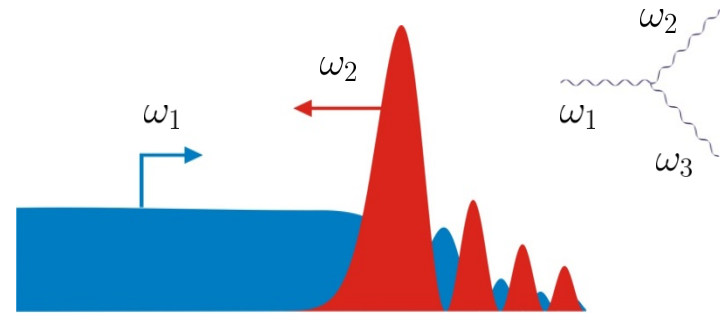
$$|\mathbf{E}|^2 = |\mathbf{E}_1|^2 + |\mathbf{E}_2|^2 + \mathbf{E}_1 \cdot \mathbf{E}_2^* + \mathbf{E}_1^* \cdot \mathbf{E}_2$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_1 + \mathcal{L}_2 + \mathcal{L}_3 - \frac{e^2 E_1 E_2}{4m\omega_1 \omega_2} \tilde{n} \cos \eta$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{1,2} = \frac{E_{1,2}^2}{16\pi} \left[\epsilon_{\perp}(\omega) - \frac{k^2 c^2}{\omega^2} \right]_{1,2}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_3 = \frac{\epsilon_{\parallel}(\omega_3, \mathbf{k}_3)}{16\pi} \left(\frac{4\pi e \tilde{n}}{k_3} \right)^2$$

$$\mathfrak{L}(a, \omega, \mathbf{k}) = \frac{\langle E^2 - B^2 \rangle}{8\pi} - \sum_s n_s \langle \mathcal{H}_s \rangle_f$$



- The nonlinear coupling affects the dispersion; e.g.

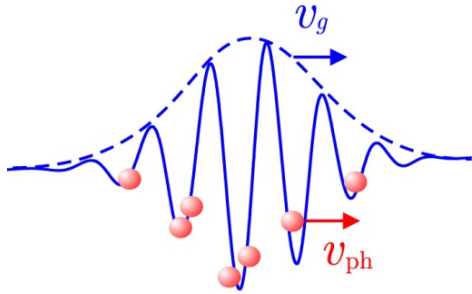
$$\frac{E_1}{16\pi} \left[\epsilon_{\perp}(\omega_1) - \frac{k_1^2 c^2}{\omega_1^2} \right] - \frac{e^2 E_2 \tilde{n}}{4m\omega_1 \omega_2} \cos \eta = 0$$

- The nonlinear coupling affects the transport:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{\mathcal{E}_j}{\omega_j} + \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\omega_j} \right) + \nabla \cdot \left(\mathbf{v}_g \frac{\mathcal{E}_j}{\omega_j} - \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{k}_j} \right) = \pm \mathcal{L}_{\eta}$$

cf. Brizard and Kaufman (1995)

Effects due to trapped particle are *special*. The NLSE does not apply



- Trapped electrons contribute an E -independent term

$$\mathfrak{L}(\omega, k, E) = \epsilon(\omega, k) \frac{E^2}{16\pi} + \sigma e E + \frac{m\sigma\omega^2}{2k}$$

Dodin and Fisch, Phys. Plasmas (2012a,c)

- The only self-action *not* described by NLSE!

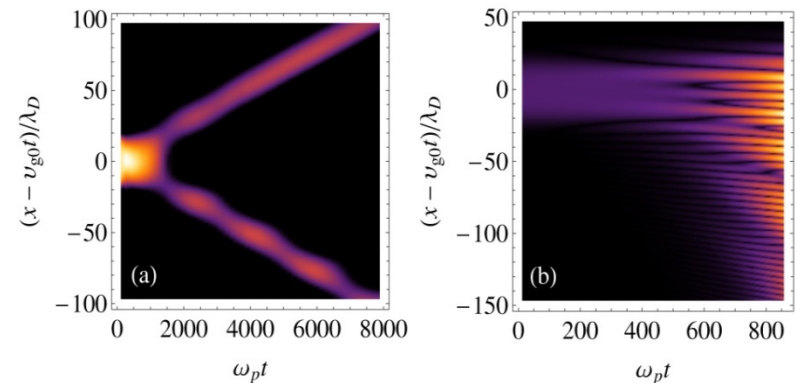
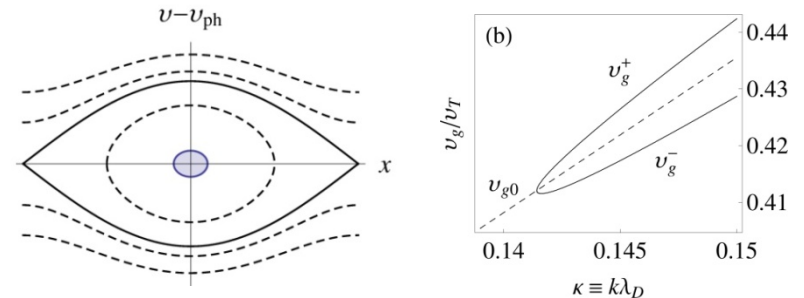
$$(\partial_t + v_{g0} \partial_x) \psi + \frac{1}{2} v'_{g0} \partial_{xx}^2 \psi = -i\omega_{NL} \psi$$

- TPMI theory must be revised

$$\gamma \approx \Delta k v_{g0} \Omega_E \sqrt{S(S - 1/2)}$$

$$\Omega_E = \sqrt{\frac{eEk}{m\omega_p^2}} \quad S = \frac{\text{trapped-}e \text{ energy flux}}{\text{passing-}e \text{ energy flux}}$$

cf. Dewar et al., 1972; Ikezi et al., 1978; Rose, 2005; Rose and Yin, 2008; Istomin and Karpman, 1972; Benisti et al., 2010...

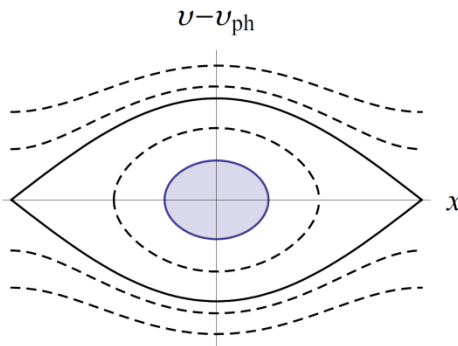
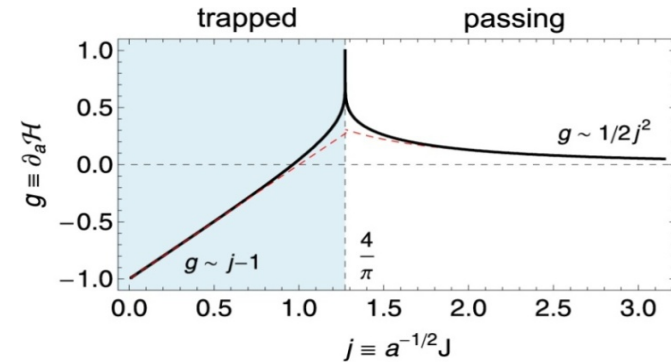


Nonlinear dispersion of waves with trapped electrons (e.g., BGK modes)

- For any distribution $F(J)$, $\mathfrak{L}_a = 0$ yields

$$\omega^2 = \omega_p^2 \frac{2}{a} \int_0^\infty g(j) F(J) dJ$$

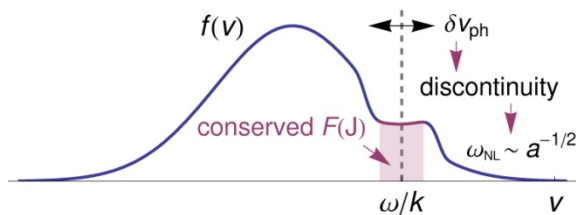
(similarly for other waves, e.g., whistlers)



$$\epsilon(\omega, k) + \sqrt{a} \frac{\omega \varkappa}{\omega_p} \left[\frac{\omega_p^3 m^3}{2k^6} F''(0) \right] + \ln a \left[\frac{m^2 \omega_p^2}{2k^4} F'(0) \right] = 0$$

Dodin and Fisch, PRL (2011); PoP (2012b)

- δ -beam: $\omega^2 = \omega_L^2 - 2\omega_b^2/a$
- flat beam: $\omega^2 = \omega_L^2 - [8/(3\pi)] a^{-1/2} \omega_p^2 F_b$



cf. Manheimer and Flynn, 1971; Dewar, 1972; Winjum et al., 2007;
Khain and Friedland, 2007; Goldman and Berk, 1971; Krasovsky, 2007;
Rose and Russell, 2001; Benisti and Gremillet, 2007; Lindberg et al., 2007...

Photon momentum in a dielectric. Resolving the Abraham-Minkowski controversy

- The same Lagrangian approach *actually* resolves the 100-year-old "dilemma" about the wave energy-momentum in dielectric

Canonical, or Minkowski EMT

This part is known; cf. Sturrock (1961), Whitham (1965), Dougherty (1970)...

$$\left(\begin{array}{c|c} \mathcal{E} = \mathcal{I}\omega & \mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{v}_g \mathcal{E} \\ \hline \mathcal{P} = \mathbf{k}\mathcal{E}/\omega & \hat{\Pi} = \mathcal{P}\mathbf{v}_g \end{array} \right)$$

Physical, or Abraham EMT

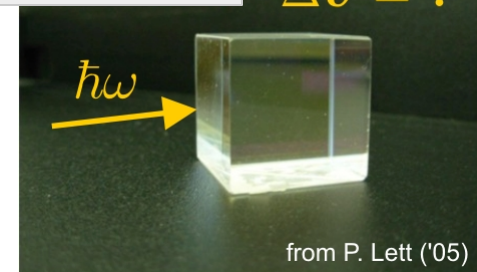
Dodin and Fisch, submitted to PRA; generalizes Dewar (1977)

- We can derive the physical EMT, *including* striction effects, without specifying the wave nature
 - Abraham's formula, $p = p_A$, holds only in resting fluid
 - Now we can calculate the *full* ponderomotive force

$$\mathbf{p}_M = \hbar \mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{p}_A = \hbar \omega \mathbf{v}_g / c^2$$

$$\Delta \mathbf{v} = ?$$



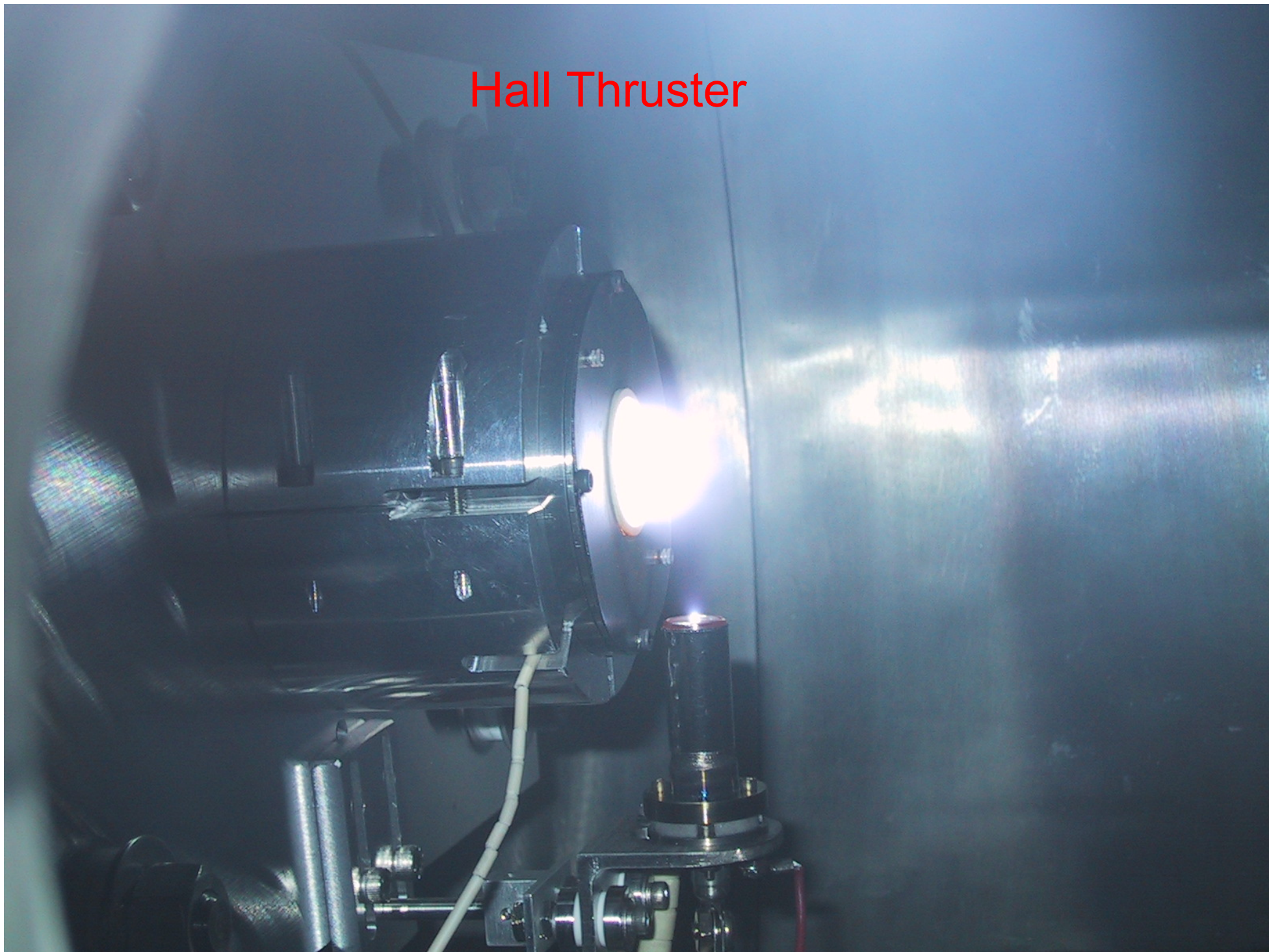
Barnett (2010); Kemp (2011); Milonni and Boyd (2011); Baxter and Loudon (2010); Pfeifer *et al* (2007)...

$$\tau^{\alpha\beta} = \Lambda^\alpha_\mu \Lambda^\beta_\nu \left(\begin{array}{cc} \mathcal{E} & \mathcal{E}\mathbf{v}_g/c \\ \mathcal{E}\mathbf{v}_g/c & \mathcal{E}\mathbf{k}\mathbf{v}_g/\omega + \mathcal{U}\hat{\mathbf{1}} \end{array} \right)'$$

\mathcal{U} is the ponderomotive energy density,
 Λ is the matrix of Lorentz transformation

...could also include these average forces to model the bulk plasma dynamics...

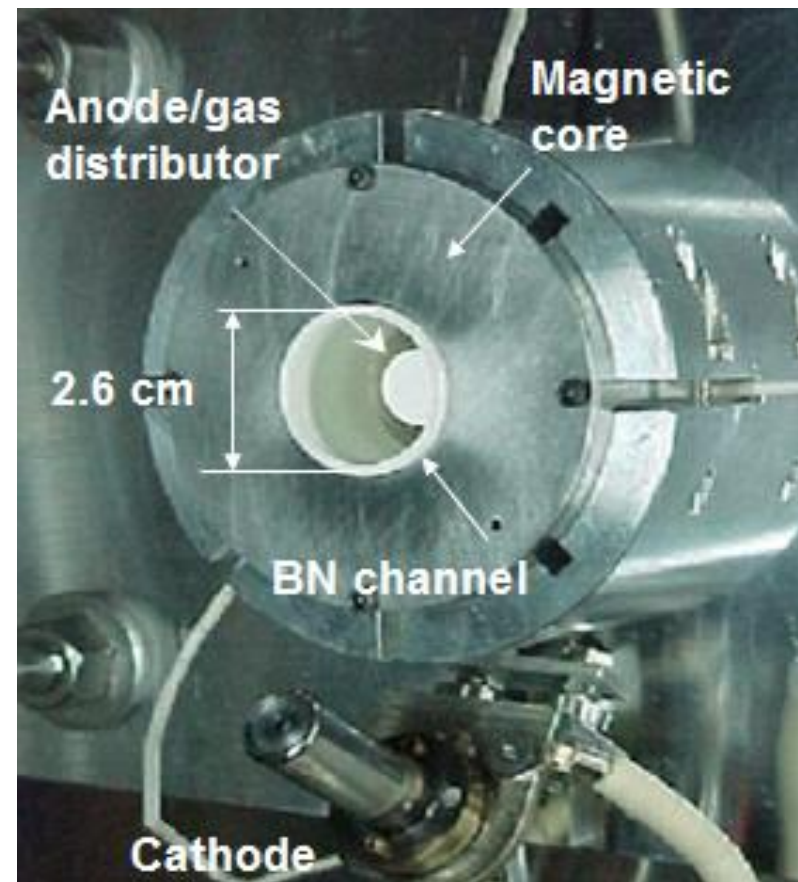
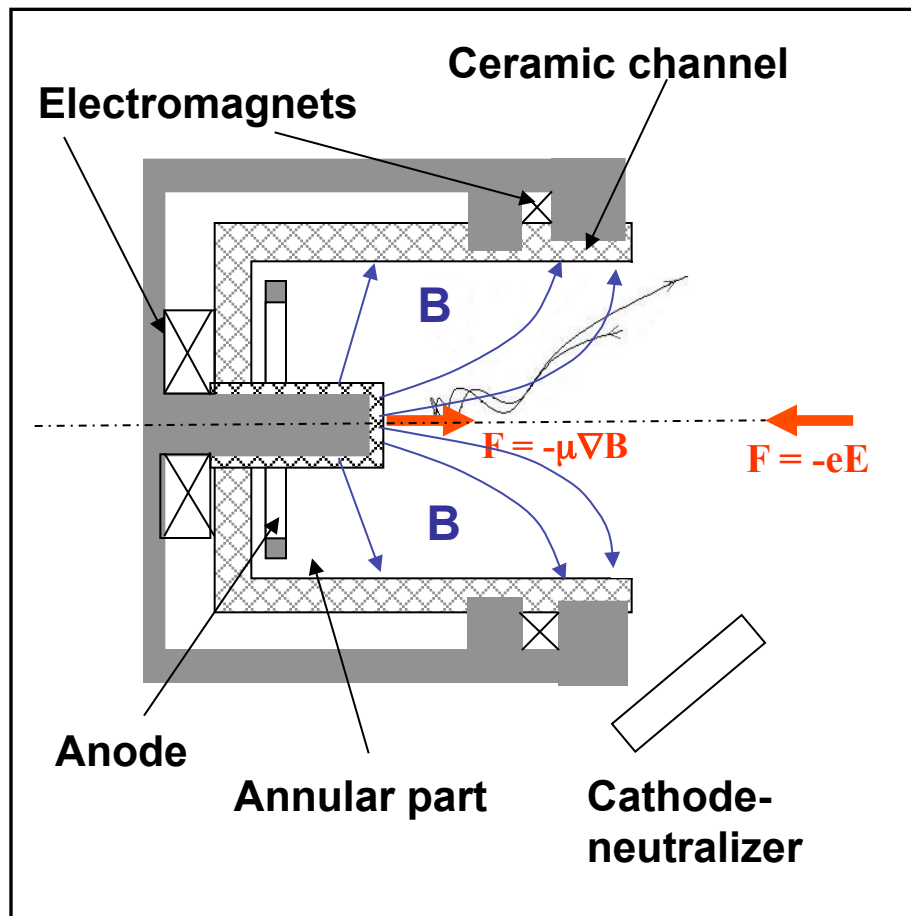
Hall Thruster



Cylindrical Hall Thruster

Fundamentally different from conventional HT:

Electrons are confined in a hybrid magneto-electrostatic trap.



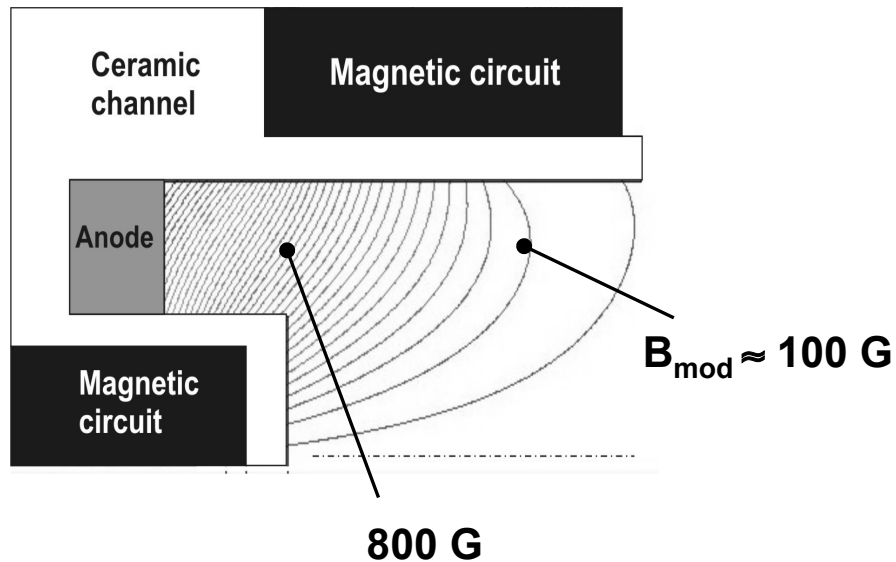
PPPL CHT: $P = 50 - 300 \text{ W}$

$OD = 2.6 \text{ cm}$

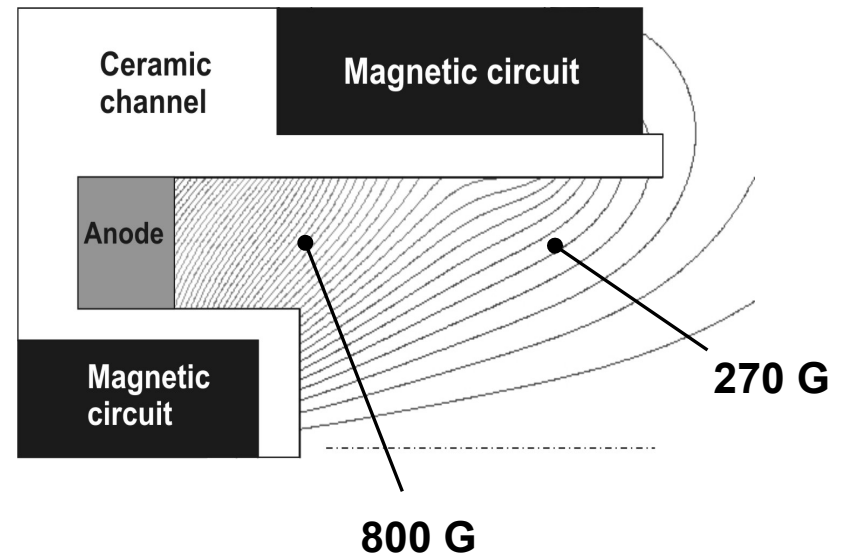
$T = 2 - 12 \text{ mN}$

Y. Raitses and N. J. Fisch, Physics of Plasmas, 8, 2579 (2001).

Cylindrical Configurations



Cusp Geometry

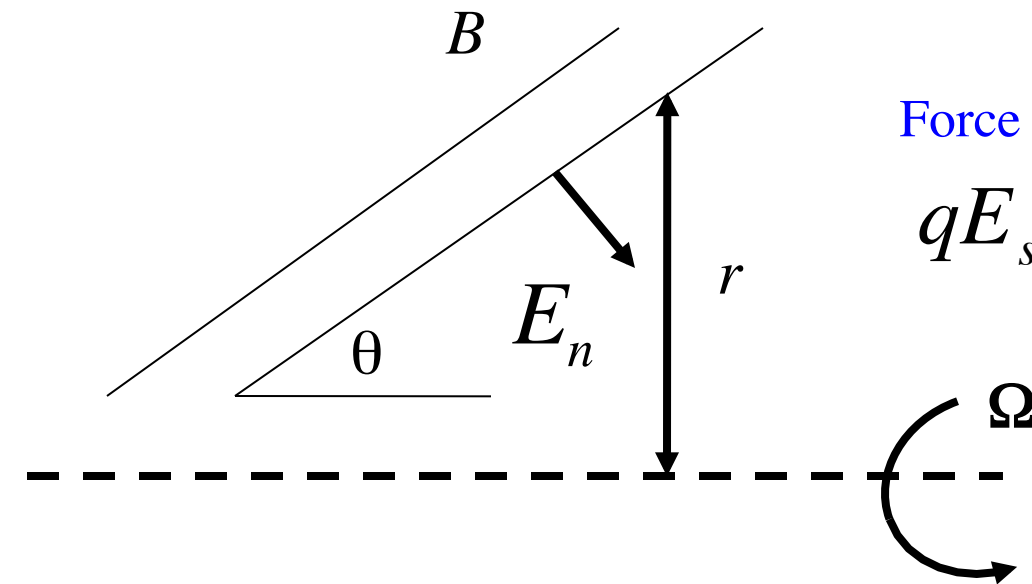


Direct Geometry

Cusp Geometry was thought important to produce axial thrust

A. Rotation of Force Vector by Supersonically Rotating Electrons

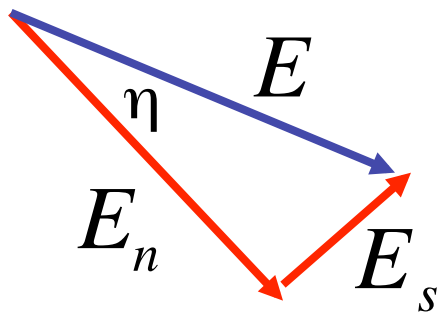
Fisch, Raitses, Fruchtman (2011)



Force on ions = centrifugal force on electrons

$$qE_s = -eE_s = m_e \Omega^2 r \cos \theta$$

$$\Omega_e \equiv eB/m$$



$$\eta \approx \sin \eta = E_s / E_n = \frac{\Omega}{\Omega_e} \cos \theta = \frac{\rho_L}{r} \left(\frac{E/B}{v_T} \right) \cos \theta$$

So rotate η by about 6 degrees for sonic rotation and more for supersonic rotation!

Example: $T_e = 20$ eV,

$E_n = 200$ V/cm, $a=L=1$ cm

$$\rho_L \cong T_{20}^{1/2} / B_{100} \text{ mm}$$

$$r \sim 10 \text{ mm}$$

or 12 degrees for $r = 5$ mm

Summary:

1. Free Energy of Plasma under Wave Diffusion
2. Rigorous upper bound for space-charge limited current
3. Wave compression in plasma
4. Lagrangian description of wave propagation including trapped particles (method of Dodin)
5. Collimation of ions in magnetic fields (self-organization of supersonically rotating electrons)