

## Electron Plasma Waves:-

Eq. of motion is

$$mn \frac{\partial v_e}{\partial t} = -neE - \nabla P_e \quad (1)$$

$$P_e = \gamma K_B T_e n$$

$$\gamma = \frac{N+2}{N} = \frac{4+2}{1} = 3$$

$$\therefore \nabla P_e = 3 K_B T_e \nabla n \quad (2)$$

Linearize this equation (for electron)

$$mn_0 \frac{\partial v_1}{\partial t} = -n_0 e E_1 - \nabla P_1 \quad (3)$$

$$mn_0 \frac{\partial v_1}{\partial t} = -n_0 e E_1 - 3 K_B T_e \nabla n_1 \quad (4)$$

$$P_1 = 3 K_B T_e \nabla n_1$$

Equation of continuity

$$\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} + \bar{\nabla} \cdot (nv) = 0$$

Linearizing above equation,

$$\frac{\partial n_1}{\partial t} + n_0 \bar{\nabla} \cdot v_1 = 0 \quad (5)$$

Poisson's Equation:

$$\bar{\nabla} \cdot E_1 = -4\pi e n_1 \quad (6)$$

Taking the divergence of eq. (4)

$$mn_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\bar{\nabla} \cdot v_1) = -n_0 e \bar{\nabla} \cdot E_1 - 3 K_B T_e \bar{\nabla} \cdot \nabla n_1$$

From eq. (6) we have

$$mn_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \bar{\nabla} \cdot v_1 = -n_0 e (-4\pi e n_1) - 3 K_B T_e \nabla^2 n_1 \quad (7)$$

From eq. (5)

$$n_0 (\bar{\nabla} \cdot v_1) = -\frac{\partial n_1}{\partial t}$$

$$\bar{\nabla} \cdot v_1 = -\frac{1}{n_0} \frac{\partial n_1}{\partial t}$$

$$-m \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} n_1 e^{i(kx - \omega t)} = n_0 e^2 4\pi n_1 e^{i(kx - \omega t)} - 3K_B T \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} n_1 e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$$

$$-\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} n_1 e^{i(kx - \omega t)} = \frac{4\pi n_0 e^2 n_1 e^{i(kx - \omega t)}}{m} - \frac{3K_B T}{m} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} n_1 e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$$

$$-\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} n_1 = \frac{4\pi n_0 e^2 n_1}{m} - \frac{3K_B T}{m} \nabla^2 n_1$$

$$-\frac{\partial^2 n_1}{\partial t^2} = \omega_{pe}^2 n_1 - \frac{3}{2} V_{th}^2 \nabla^2 n_1 \quad \because V_{th}^2 = \frac{2K_B T}{m}$$

$$-\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \left( n_1 e^{i(kx - \omega t)} \right) = \omega_{pe}^2 n_1 e^{i(kx - \omega t)} - \frac{3}{2} V_{th}^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} n_1 e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$$

$$\omega^2 n_1 e^{i(kx - \omega t)} = \omega_{pe}^2 n_1 e^{i(kx - \omega t)} + \frac{3}{2} k^2 V_{th}^2 n_1 e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$$

$$\omega^2 = \omega_{pe}^2 + \frac{3}{2} k^2 V_{th}^2$$

This is the dispersion relation for electron plasma waves. Electron plasma waves are propagating due to temperature effect.

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$$\omega^2 - \frac{3}{2} k^2 V_{th}^2 = \omega_{pe}^2 \quad (*)$$

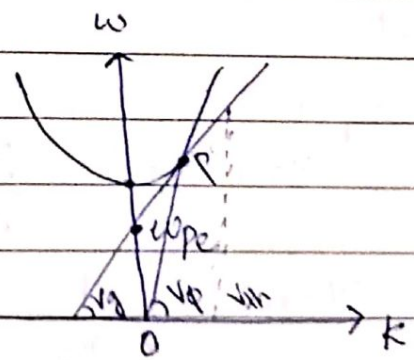
$$\because \omega_{pe}^2 = \frac{4\pi n_0 e^2}{m_e}$$

$$\frac{\omega^2}{\omega_{pe}^2} - \frac{3}{2} \frac{k^2 V_{th}^2}{\omega_{pe}^2} = 1$$

$$\because V_{th}^2 = \frac{2K_B T_e}{m}$$

$$\frac{\omega^2}{\omega_{pe}^2} - \frac{k^2}{\omega_{pe}^2 / \frac{3}{2} V_{th}^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$$



From eq. (\*)

$$\frac{3}{2} k^2 V_{th}^2 = \omega^2 - \omega_p^2$$

$$k^2 = \frac{2}{3} \frac{\omega^2 - \omega_p^2}{V_{th}^2}$$

Cases:-

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i) If  $\omega = \omega_{pe}$  then  $k = 0$

It means wave will not propagate.

ii) If  $\omega > \omega_{pe}$  then "k" is real.

It means "k" is propagating in +ve x-axis.

iii) If  $\omega < \omega_{pe}$  then "k" is imaginary or -ve.

Phase Velocity of Electron Plasma wave:-

$$\omega^2 = \omega_{pe}^2 + \frac{3}{2} k^2 V_{th}^2 \quad \text{--- (8)}$$

$$k = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \sqrt{\frac{\omega^2 - \omega_{pe}^2}{V_{th}^2}}$$

$$k = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\omega}{V_{th}} \sqrt{1 - \frac{\omega_{pe}^2}{\omega^2}}$$

$$\frac{k}{\omega} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{1}{V_{th}} \sqrt{1 - \frac{\omega_{pe}^2}{\omega^2}}$$

$$\text{Phase Velocity} = V_{\phi} = \frac{\omega}{k} = \frac{\sqrt{3/2} V_{th}}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{\omega_{pe}^2}{\omega^2}}}$$

Group Velocity:  $V = V_g$

Differentiating eq. (8)

$$2\omega d\omega = 3 \cdot 2k dk V_{th}^2$$

$$\frac{d\omega}{dk} = \frac{3/2 V_{th}^2}{\omega/k}$$

$$\frac{d\omega}{dk} = \frac{3/2 V_{th}^2}{V_{\phi}}$$

⇒ Effect of " $V_{th}$ " increases as " $k$ " increases. Pg # 89.

Ion sound wave: Pg # 97, 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Paragraph. (1<sup>st</sup> Para)

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Difference b/w Electron Plasma waves & ion waves:

Electron waves

Ion waves

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| 1. are constant frequency waves.             | 1. are constant velocity waves.             |
| 2. $v_g$ & $v_\phi$ are different.           | 2. $v_g, v_\phi$ are same.                  |
| 3. exist with or without temperature effect. | 3. Do not exist without temperature effect. |