

Guideline for ALPS

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1 Introduction

The Arbitrary Linear Plasma Solver (ALPS; [Verscharen et al. 2018\[1\]](#)) is a software package for the calculation of the dispersion relation in a hot (even relativistic) plasma. It allows arbitrary number of particle species with arbitrary gyro-tropic equilibrium distribution functions for any direction of wave propagation with respect to the background field.

2 Mathematical Basis Derivation

We start from the mathematical basis for the calculation of the hot-plasma dispersion relation. The kinetic wave dispersion relation in a hot plasma is based on the linearized set of Maxwell's equations and the linearized Vlasov equation. The expression of a wave or instability associated with a first-order perturbation δf_j in the distribution function of species j about a prescribed time-averaged background distribution function f_{j0} is:

$$f_j(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}, t) = f_{j0}(\mathbf{p}) + \delta f_j(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}, t), \quad (1)$$

where \mathbf{r} is the spatial coordinate and \mathbf{p} is the momentum. Other magnetic properties can be written in a similar way:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E} &= \delta \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, t) \\ \mathbf{B} &= B_0 \mathbf{e}_z + \delta \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}, t) \\ \rho &= \delta \rho(\mathbf{x}, t) \\ \mathbf{J} &= \delta \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}, t). \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Substitute the above expressions into the Vlasov's set of equations, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial(\delta f_j)}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \frac{\partial(\delta f_j)}{\partial \mathbf{r}} + \frac{q_j}{c}(\mathbf{v} \times B_0 \mathbf{e}_z) \frac{\partial(\delta f_j)}{\partial \mathbf{p}} &= -q_j(\delta \mathbf{E} + \frac{1}{c} \mathbf{v} \times \delta \mathbf{B}) \frac{\partial f_{j0}}{\partial \mathbf{p}}, \\ \nabla \cdot \delta \mathbf{E} &= 4\pi \delta \rho, \quad \nabla \cdot (\delta \mathbf{B}) = 0, \\ \nabla \times (\delta \mathbf{E}) &= -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\delta \mathbf{B}), \quad \nabla \times (\delta \mathbf{B}) = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\delta \mathbf{E}) + \frac{4\pi}{c}(\delta \mathbf{J}). \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

We have the normal mode:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta f_j(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}, t) &= \delta f_j(\mathbf{p}) \exp(i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r} - i\omega t), \\ \delta \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, t) &= \delta \mathbf{E} \exp(i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r} - i\omega t), \\ \delta \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}, t) &= \delta \mathbf{B} \exp(i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r} - i\omega t), \\ \delta \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r}, t) &= \delta \mathbf{J} \exp(i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r} - i\omega t) = \sum_j \frac{q_j}{m_j} \int \delta f_j(\mathbf{p}) \mathbf{p} d^3v, \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Note that we did not include density ρ in this set of equations. This is because we could replace ρ by \mathbf{J} in the linearized equations $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} + \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = 0 \rightarrow i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\delta \mathbf{J}) - i\omega(\delta \rho) = 0 \rightarrow \delta \rho = \frac{1}{\omega} \mathbf{k} \cdot (\delta \mathbf{J})$.

Insert eqs. (4) into eqs. (3), we can write the distribution perturbation as (Note that the LHS of the 1st equation of eqs. (3) is $\frac{d(\delta f_j)}{dt}$):

$$\begin{aligned} &\delta f_j(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}, t) - \delta f_j[\mathbf{r}'(t'), \mathbf{v}'(t'), t']_{t'=-\infty}^t \\ &= -q_j \int_{-\infty}^t dt' \{ \delta \mathbf{E}_1[\mathbf{r}'(t'), t'] + \frac{1}{c} \mathbf{v}'(t') \times \delta \mathbf{B}[\mathbf{r}'(t')] \} \cdot \frac{\partial f_{j0}(\mathbf{p}')}{\partial \mathbf{p}'}. \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

We obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \delta f_{jk}(\mathbf{p}) e^{-i\omega t + i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}} - \delta f_{jk}[\mathbf{p}'(t')] e^{-i\omega t' + i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}'} \Big|_{t'=-\infty} \\
&= -q_j \int_{-\infty}^t dt' [\delta \mathbf{E}_k + \frac{1}{c} \mathbf{v}'(t') \times (\delta \mathbf{B}_k)] e^{-i\omega t' + i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}'} \cdot \frac{\partial f_{j0}(\mathbf{p}')}{\partial \mathbf{p}'} \\
&= -q_j e^{-i\omega t + i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}} \int_{-\infty}^t dt' [\delta \mathbf{E}_k + \frac{1}{c} \mathbf{v}'(t') \times (\delta \mathbf{B}_k)] \cdot \frac{\partial f_{j0}(\mathbf{p}')}{\partial \mathbf{p}'} \cdot e^{-i\omega(t'-t) + i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{r}' - \mathbf{r})}.
\end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

We assume $\omega_i (= \text{Im}(\omega)) > 0$, then $\delta f_{jk}[\mathbf{v}'(t')] e^{-i\omega t + i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}} \Big|_{t'=-\infty} = 0$ and eq 6 becomes:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \delta f_{jk}(\mathbf{p}) e^{i\omega t + i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}} = \\
& q_j e^{-i\omega t + i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}} \int_{-\infty}^t dt' [\delta \mathbf{E}_k + \frac{1}{c} \mathbf{v}'(t') \times (\delta \mathbf{B}_k)] \cdot \frac{\partial f_{j0}(\mathbf{p}')}{\partial \mathbf{p}'} e^{-i\omega(t'-t) + i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{r}' - \mathbf{r})}.
\end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

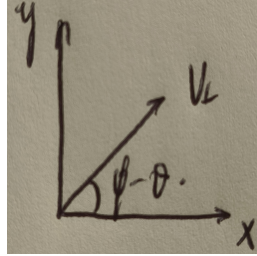
Factoring out $e^{i\omega t + i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}}$, we have:

$$\delta f_{jk}(\mathbf{p}) = q_j \int_{-\infty}^t dt' [\delta \mathbf{E}_k + \frac{1}{c} \mathbf{v}'(t') \times (\delta \mathbf{B}_k)] \cdot \frac{\partial f_{j0}(\mathbf{p}')}{\partial \mathbf{p}'} e^{-i\omega(t'-t) + i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{r}' - \mathbf{r})}. \tag{8}$$

Define $\tau = t - t'$, we may rewrite eq. 8 in terms of τ :

$$\delta f_{jk}(\mathbf{p}) = -q_j \int_{-\infty}^0 d\tau [\delta \mathbf{E}_k + \frac{1}{c} \mathbf{v}'(\tau) \times (\delta \mathbf{B}_k)] \cdot \frac{\partial f_{j0}(\mathbf{p}')}{\partial \mathbf{p}'} \cdot e^{-i\omega\tau + i\mathbf{k} \cdot [\mathbf{r}'(\tau) - \mathbf{r}]} \tag{9}$$

We also have the orbital equations:



$$\begin{aligned}
v'_x(\tau) &= v_{\perp} \cos(\phi - \theta + \Omega_j \tau) \\
v'_y(\tau) &= v_{\parallel} \sin(\phi - \theta - \Omega_j \tau) \\
v'_z(\tau) &= v_z \\
x'(\tau) &= x - \frac{v_{\perp}}{\Omega_j} \sin(\phi - \theta - \Omega_j \tau) + \frac{v_{\perp}}{\Omega_j} \sin(\phi - \theta) \\
y'(\tau) &= y + \frac{v_{\perp}}{\Omega_j} \cos(\phi - \theta + \Omega_j \tau) - \frac{v_{\perp}}{\Omega_j} \cos(\phi - \theta) \\
z'(\tau) &= z + v_z \tau
\end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

Without losing generality, we can write $\mathbf{k} = k_{\perp} \mathbf{e}_x + k_z \mathbf{e}_z$. Using eqs. 10, we have: $\mathbf{k} \cdot [\mathbf{r}'(\tau) - \mathbf{r}] = k_{\perp} [x'(\tau) - x] + k_z [z'(\tau) - z] = \frac{k_{\perp} v_{\perp}}{\Omega_j} [\sin(\phi - \theta - \Omega_j \tau) - \sin(\phi)] + k_z v_z \tau$. From this, we obtain:

$$e^{i\omega\tau + i\mathbf{k} \cdot [\mathbf{r}'(\tau) - \mathbf{r}]} = e^{-i(\omega - k_z v_z)\tau + i \frac{k_{\perp} v_{\perp}}{\Omega_j} [\sin(\phi - \theta - \Omega_j \tau) - \sin(\phi - \theta)]} = e^{-\alpha}. \tag{11}$$

Since $f_{j0}(\mathbf{v}') = f_{j0}(v'_\perp, v'_z)$ and $v'_\perp (= v_\perp)$, $v'_z (= v_z)$ are constants of motion, we have:

$$\frac{\partial f_{j0}(\mathbf{p}')}{\partial \mathbf{p}'} = \frac{\partial f_{j0}(\mathbf{p})}{\partial \mathbf{p}} = \frac{\partial f_{j0}}{\partial p_\perp} \frac{\mathbf{p}_\perp}{p_\perp} + \frac{\partial f_{j0}}{\partial p_z} \frac{p_z}{p_z} = 2 \frac{\partial f_{j0}}{\partial p_\perp^2} \mathbf{p}_\perp + 2 \frac{\partial f_{j0}}{\partial p_z^2} p_z \quad (12)$$

Therefore, we have the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta \mathbf{E}_k \cdot \frac{\partial f_{j0}(\mathbf{p}')}{\partial \mathbf{p}'} &= 2(\delta E_{kx} \mathbf{e}_x + \delta E_{ky} \mathbf{e}_y + \delta E_{kz} \mathbf{e}_z) \cdot \left(\frac{\partial f_{j0}}{\partial p_\perp^2} \mathbf{v}_\perp + \frac{\partial f_{j0}}{\partial v_z^2} \mathbf{v}_z \right) \\ &= 2 \frac{\partial f_{j0}}{\partial p_\perp^2} (\delta E_{kx} v_x + \delta E_{ky} v_y) + 2 \delta E_{kz} v_z \frac{\partial f_{j0}}{\partial p_z^2} \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

From Faraday's Law, we have:

$$\nabla \times (\delta \mathbf{E}) = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\delta B) \Rightarrow i \mathbf{k} \times (\delta \mathbf{E}) = \frac{-i}{c} \omega (\delta \mathbf{B}_k) \Rightarrow \delta \mathbf{B}_k = \frac{c}{\omega} \mathbf{k} \times (\delta \mathbf{E}_k), \quad (14)$$

thus we may write:

$$\mathbf{v} \times (\delta \mathbf{B}_k) = \frac{c}{\omega} \mathbf{v} \times (\mathbf{k} \times (\delta \mathbf{E}_k)) = \frac{c}{\omega} [(\mathbf{v} \cdot (\delta \mathbf{E}_k)) \mathbf{k} - (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{k}) (\delta \mathbf{E}_k)]. \quad (15)$$

Therefore, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{c} (\mathbf{v} \times (\delta \mathbf{B}_k)) \cdot \frac{\partial f_{j0}}{\partial \mathbf{p}'} &= \frac{2}{\omega} [(\mathbf{v} \cdot (\delta \mathbf{E}_k)) \mathbf{k} - (\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{v}) (\delta \mathbf{E}_k)] \cdot \left(\frac{\partial f_{j0}}{\partial v_\perp^2} \mathbf{v}_\perp + v_z \frac{\partial f_{j0}}{\partial v_z^2} \mathbf{e}_z \right) \\ &= \frac{2}{\omega} \left\{ \frac{\partial f_{j0}}{\partial v_\perp^2} [(v_x \delta E_{kx}) + v_y \delta E_{ky}) + v_z \delta E_{kz}) k_\perp v_x - (k_\perp v_x + k_z v_z) \cdot (\delta E_{kx} v_x + \delta E_{ky} v_y)] \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{\partial f_{j0}}{\partial v_z^2} [(v_x \delta E_{kx}) + v_y \delta E_{ky}) + v_z \delta E_{kz}) k_z v_z - (k_\perp v_x + k_z v_z) \cdot v_z (\delta E_{kz})] \right\} \\ &= \frac{2}{\omega} \left\{ \frac{\partial f_{j0}}{\partial v_\perp^2} (-k_z \delta E_{kx} v_x - k_z \delta E_{ky} v_y + k_\perp \delta E_{kz} v_x) v_z + \frac{\partial f_{j0}}{\partial v_z^2} (v_x \delta E_{kx} k_z + v_y \delta E_{ky} k_z - k_\perp v_x \delta E_{kz}) v_z \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

Then we can write:

$$\begin{aligned} [\delta \mathbf{E}_k + \frac{1}{c} (\mathbf{v} \times \delta \mathbf{B}_k)] \frac{\partial f_{j0}}{\partial \mathbf{p}'} &= 2v'_x X + 2v'_y Y + 2v'_z Z \\ &= 2v_\perp \cos(\phi - \theta + \Omega_j) X + 2v_\perp \sin(\phi - \theta + \Omega_j) Y + 2v_z Z. \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

where:

$$\begin{aligned} X &= \delta E_{kx} \frac{\partial f_{j0}}{\partial v_\perp^2} + \frac{v_z}{\omega} (k_z \delta E_{kx} - k_\perp \delta E_{kz}) \left(\frac{\partial f_{j0}}{\partial v_z^2} - \frac{\partial f_{j0}}{\partial v_\perp^2} \right) \\ Y &= \delta E_{ky} \frac{\partial f_{j0}}{\partial v_\perp^2} + \frac{v_z}{\omega} k_z \delta E_{ky} \left(\frac{\partial f_{j0}}{\partial v_z^2} - \frac{\partial f_{j0}}{\partial v_\perp^2} \right) \\ Z &= \delta E_{kz} \frac{\partial f_{j0}}{\partial v_z^2} \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

Reorganize the sequence, we can write:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta f_j = & -q_j e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}-I\omega t} \int_0^\infty d\tau e^{i\alpha} \{ \delta E_{kx} U \cos(\phi + \Omega_j \tau) + \delta E_{ky} U \sin(\phi + \Omega_j \tau) \\ & + \delta E_{kz} [\frac{\partial f_{0j}}{\partial p_\parallel} - V \cos(\phi - \theta + \Omega_j \tau)] \}, \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

where:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha = & -\frac{k_\perp v_\perp}{\Omega_j} [\sin(\phi - \theta + \Omega_j \tau) - \sin(\phi - \theta)] + (\omega - k_\parallel v_\parallel) \tau \\ U = & \frac{\partial f_{0j}}{\partial p_\perp} + \frac{k_\parallel}{\omega} (v_\perp \frac{\partial f_{0j}}{\partial p_\parallel} - v_\parallel \frac{\partial f_{0j}}{\partial p_\perp}) \\ V = & \frac{k_\perp}{\omega} (v_\perp \frac{\partial f_{0j}}{\partial p_\parallel - v_\parallel \frac{\partial f_{0j}}{\partial p_\perp}}). \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

Here,

$$\Omega_j = (q_j B_0) / (m_j c \sqrt{1 + (p_\perp^2 + p_\parallel^2) / m_j^2 c^2}) \quad (21)$$

is the relativistic gyrofrequency.

Note the Bessel Function:

$$e^{\pm i a \sin(x)} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} J_n(a) e^{\pm i n x}. \quad (22)$$

We may write:

$$\begin{aligned} e^{-\frac{k_\perp v_\perp}{\Omega} \sin(\Omega \tau + \phi)} &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} J_n\left(\frac{k_\perp v_\perp}{\Omega}\right) e^{-i n (\phi + \Omega \tau)} \\ e^{-\frac{k_\perp v_\perp}{\Omega} \sin(\Omega \tau + \phi)} &= \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} J_m\left(\frac{k_\perp v_\perp}{\Omega}\right) e^{i m \phi} \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

Therefore we have:

$$\begin{aligned} e^{i\alpha} &= e^{i\{-\frac{k_\perp v_\perp}{\Omega_j} [\sin(\phi - \theta + \Omega_j \tau) - \sin(\phi - \theta)] + (\omega - k_\parallel v_\parallel) \tau\}} \\ &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} J_n\left(\frac{k_\perp v_\perp}{\Omega}\right) J_m\left(\frac{k_\perp v_\perp}{\Omega}\right) e^{-(\omega - n\Omega - k_\parallel v_\parallel) \tau} e^{i(m-n)\phi} \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

On the other hand, we have:

$$\mathbf{J} = \sum_j \mathbf{J}_j = \sum_j q_j \int d^3 \mathbf{v} \mathbf{v} \delta f_j = \bar{\bar{\sigma}} \cdot \delta \mathbf{E}, \quad (25)$$

where $\bar{\bar{\sigma}}$ is the dielectric tensor that can be written as:

$$\bar{\bar{\sigma}} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{x1} & \sigma_{x2} & \sigma_{x3} \\ \sigma_{y1} & \sigma_{y2} & \sigma_{y3} \\ \sigma_{z1} & \sigma_{z2} & \sigma_{z3} \end{pmatrix} \quad (26)$$

Combined with Eqs. 10, we can expand Eq. 25 in the following format:

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=1}^3 \sigma_{xi} \delta E_i &= \sum_j q_j \int d^2 \mathbf{v} v_{\perp} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \cos(\Omega\tau + \phi) \delta f \\
\sum_{i=1}^3 \sigma_{yi} \delta E_i &= \sum_j q_j \int d^2 \mathbf{v} v_{\perp} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \sin(\Omega\tau + \phi) \delta f \\
\sum_{i=1}^3 \sigma_{zi} \delta E_i &= \sum_j q_j \int d^2 \mathbf{v} v_{\parallel} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \delta f,
\end{aligned} \tag{27}$$

where $\int d^2 \mathbf{v} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dv_{\parallel} \int_0^{\infty} v_{\perp} dv_{\perp}$.

As an example, we show the calculation of σ_{x1} here, the rest of the components can be derived in a similar way. By comparing the coefficient of E_x , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma_{x1} &= - \sum_j \frac{q_j^2}{m_j} \int d^2 \mathbf{v} v_{\perp} \int_0^{\infty} d\tau \sum_m \sum_n e^{i(\omega - n\Omega - k_{\parallel} v_{\parallel})\tau} J_m(\xi_j) J_n(\xi_j) \\
&\quad \cdot U \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \cos(\phi + \Omega\tau) \cos(\phi) e^{i(m-n)\phi},
\end{aligned} \tag{28}$$

where the argument ξ_j equals to $\frac{k_{\perp} v_{\perp}}{\Omega}$.

Look at the integration on ϕ :

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \cos(\Omega\tau + \phi) \cos\phi e^{i(m-n)\phi} &= \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi [\cos(\Omega\tau) \cos^2\phi - \sin(\Omega - \tau) \cos\phi \sin\phi] e^{i(m-n)\phi} \\
&= \frac{\cos(\Omega\tau)}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi (1 + \cos(2\phi)) \phi e^{i(m-n)\phi} - \frac{\sin(\Omega\phi)}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \sin(2\phi) e^{i(m-n)\phi}
\end{aligned}$$

The first item goes;

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^{2\pi} d\phi (1 + \cos(2\phi)) e^{i(m-n)\phi} &= 2\pi \delta_{m,n} + \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \frac{e^{i2\phi} + e^{-i2\phi}}{2} e^{i(m-n)\phi} \\
&= 2\pi \delta_{m,n} + \pi(\delta_{m,n-2} + \delta_{m,n+2}).
\end{aligned}$$

The second item goes:

$$\int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \sin(2\phi) e^{i(m-n)\phi} = \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \frac{e^{-2i\phi} - e^{2i\phi}}{2i} e^{i(m-n)\phi} = -i\pi(\delta_{m,n+2} - \delta_{m,n-2}).$$

Here, $\delta_{m,n}$ is the Kronecker delta, which is 1 if $m = n$ and 0 otherwise.

With the above results combined, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
&\int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \cos(\Omega\tau + \phi) \cos\phi e^{i(m-n)\phi} \\
&= \frac{\pi}{2} \{ 2\cos(\Omega\tau) \delta_{m,n} + \cos(\Omega\tau) [\delta_{m,n-2} + \delta_{m,n+2}] + i\sin(\Omega\tau) [\delta_{m,n+2} - \delta_{m,n-2}] \} \\
&= \frac{\pi}{2} [e^{i\Omega\tau} (\delta_{m,n-2} + \delta_{m,n+2}) + e^{-i\Omega\tau} (\delta_{m,n} + \delta_{m,n+2})].
\end{aligned} \tag{29}$$

Now we can write:

$$\sigma_{x1} = -\frac{1}{4} \sum_j \frac{q_j^2}{m_j} \int d^3\mathbf{v} v_\perp \int_0^\infty d\tau U \sum_{m,n} J_m(\xi_j) J_n(\xi_j) [e^{i(\omega-(n-1)\delta\Omega-k_\parallel v_\parallel)\tau} (\delta_{m,n-2} + \delta_{m,n}) + e^{i(\omega-(n+1)\delta\Omega-k_\parallel v_\parallel)\tau} (\delta_{m,n} + \delta_{m,n+2})] \quad (30)$$

Given the fact that n and m range from $-\infty$ to ∞ , we can safely replace n with $n+1$ and n with $n-1$ in the first and second items in the above equation, therefore we have:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{m,n} J_m(\xi_j) J_n(\xi_j) [e^{i(\omega-(n-1)\delta\Omega-k_\parallel v_\parallel)\tau} (\delta_{m,n-2} + \delta_{m,n}) + e^{i(\omega-(n+1)\delta\Omega-k_\parallel v_\parallel)\tau} (\delta_{m,n} + \delta_{m,n+2})] \\ &= \sum_{m,n} e^{i(\omega-n\delta\Omega-k_\parallel v_\parallel)\tau} (\delta_{m,n-1} + \delta_{m,n+1}) [J_m J_{n+1} + J_m J_{n-1}] \\ &= \sum_{m,n} e^{i(m-n\delta\Omega-k_\parallel v_\parallel)\tau} \frac{2n}{\xi_j} (\delta_{m,n-1} + \delta_{m,n+1}) J_m J_n \\ &= \sum_{m,n} e^{i(m-n\delta\Omega-k_\parallel v_\parallel)\tau} \frac{2n}{\xi_j} (J_m J_{n-1} + J_m J_{n+1}) \\ &= \sum_n e^{i(\omega-n\delta\Omega-k_\parallel v_\parallel)\tau} \left(\frac{2n}{\xi_j}\right)^2 J_n^2. \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

Note that the relation $J_{l+1}(z) + J_{l-1}(z) = \frac{2l}{z} J_l^2(z)$ is used here. Another important relation will also be used in the following content: $J_{l+1}(z) - J_{l-1}(z) = -2l J_l^2(z)$.

The τ integration goes:

$$\int_0^\infty d\tau e^{i(\omega-n\delta\Omega-k_\parallel v_\parallel)\tau} = -\frac{1}{i(\omega - n\delta\Omega - k_\parallel v_\parallel)}. \quad (32)$$

Here, please note that ω has a small imaginary part, which makes the integrated 0 when $\tau \rightarrow \infty$.

In this way, we can write:

$$\sigma_{x1} = -i \sum_j \frac{q_j^2}{m_j^2} \sum_{n=-\infty}^\infty \int d^3\mathbf{v} \frac{U p_\perp}{\omega - n\delta\Omega - k_\parallel v_\parallel} \sum_n \left(\frac{n J_n(\xi_j)}{\xi_j}\right)^2 \quad (33)$$

Note that the dielectric tensor is $\bar{\bar{\epsilon}} = \bar{\bar{I}} + \frac{\bar{\bar{S}}}{i\omega}$, we have:

$$K_{x1} = \frac{\epsilon_{x1}}{\epsilon_0} = 1 + \sum_j \frac{q_j^2}{\omega^2 \epsilon_0 m_j^2} \sum_{n=-\infty}^\infty \int d^3\mathbf{v} \frac{p_\perp U}{\omega - n\delta\Omega - k_\parallel v_\parallel} \left(\frac{n J_n(\xi_j)}{\xi_j}\right)^2. \quad (34)$$

By repeating the same process, we have the full dielectric tensor as:

$$K_{ij} = \delta_{ij} + \sum_s \frac{q_s^2}{\omega^2 \epsilon_0 m_s^2} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} \int d^3\mathbf{v} \frac{\bar{\bar{S}}_{n,ij}}{\omega - n\delta\Omega - k_\parallel v_\parallel}. \quad (35)$$

$\bar{\bar{S}}_n$ is the susceptibility tensor, it can be expressed as:

$$\bar{\bar{S}}_n = \begin{pmatrix} p_\perp \left(\frac{n J_n}{\xi_j}\right)^2 M & i p_\perp \left(\frac{n}{\xi_j}\right) J_n J'_n M & p_\perp \left(\frac{n}{\xi_j}\right) J_n^2 W \\ -i p_\perp \left(\frac{n}{\xi_j}\right) J_n J'_n M & p_\perp \left(J'_n\right)^2 M & -i p_\perp J_n J'_n W \\ p_\parallel \left(\frac{n}{\xi_j}\right) J_n^2 M & i p_\perp J_n J'_n M & p_\parallel J_n^2 W \end{pmatrix}, \quad (36)$$

where:

$$\begin{aligned} M &= \omega U = (\omega - k_{\parallel} v_{\parallel}) \frac{\partial f_{0j}}{\partial p_{\perp}} + v_{\perp} k_{\parallel} \frac{\partial f_{0j}}{\partial p_{\parallel}} \\ W &= n\Omega \frac{v_{\parallel}}{v_{\perp}} \frac{\partial f_{0j}}{\partial p_{\perp}} + (\omega - n\Omega) \frac{\partial f_{0j}}{\partial v_{\parallel}}. \end{aligned} \tag{37}$$

This expression is equivalent to the expression in [Verscharen et al. \(2018\)](#) [1].

3 Code Example

3.1 Generate Different f-0 Tables with ALPS

3.2 Generate f-0 Table from Observations

3.3 Important Tips

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