

Driven linear collisionless gyrokinetics with $\delta B_{\parallel} = 0$

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1 Set up

We start from the Laplace-Fourier solution given in the AstroGK manual, i.e., Eq. (6.124):

$$\hat{A}_{\parallel \mathbf{k}}(p) = \frac{-Q^2 A_{\parallel \mathbf{k}_0}}{(p^2 + Q^2)(p + i\omega_0)} \quad (1)$$

where

$$Q^2(p) = \frac{\alpha_i A k_{\parallel}^2 v_A^2}{AB - B^2} \quad (2)$$

and

$$A = \sum_s \frac{T_i}{T_s} (1 + \Gamma_{0s} \xi_s Z_s) \quad (3)$$

$$B = \sum_s \frac{T_i}{T_s} (1 - \Gamma_{0s}) \quad (4)$$

$\alpha_s = k_{\perp}^2 \rho_s^2 / 2$ and $\xi_s = ip / kv_{ts}$

$p^2 + Q^2$ is just the dispersion relation. The system with $\delta B_{\parallel} = 0$ has two solutions, both Alfvén waves. We denote the two solutions $p_1 = -i\omega_1$ and $p_2 = p_1^* = -i\omega_2 = i\omega_1^*$. AstroGK manual approximates $p^2 + Q^2$ by $(p - p_1)(p - p_2)$.

2 Inverse Laplace transform

We take a different path here and directly evaluate the inverse Laplace transform via Bromwich integral.

$$A_{\parallel \mathbf{k}} = \text{ILT} \left(\hat{A}_{\parallel \mathbf{k}}(p) \right) \quad (5)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\beta - i\infty}^{\beta + i\infty} \frac{-Q^2 e^{pt}}{(p^2 + Q^2)(p + i\omega_0)} dp \quad (6)$$

$$= \text{Res}(p_1) + \text{Res}(p_2) + \text{Res}(p = -i\omega_0) \quad (7)$$

where Res denotes residue.

The residue at $p_0 = -i\omega_0$ is trivially

$$\text{Res}(p = -i\omega_0) = \left[\frac{-Q^2}{p^2 + Q^2} \right]_{p=-i\omega_0} \quad (8)$$

The residues at p_1 and p_2 are evaluated by

$$\text{Res}(p_1) = \left[(p - p_1) \frac{-Q^2 e^{pt}}{(p^2 + Q^2)(p + i\omega_0)} \right]_{p=p_1} \quad (9)$$

$$= \frac{-Q^2(p_1) e^{p_1 t}}{\left[\frac{d(p^2 + Q^2)}{dp} + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \frac{d^n(p^2 + Q^2)}{dp^n} (p - p_1)^n \right]_{p=p_1} (p_1 + i\omega_0)} \quad (10)$$

$$= \frac{-Q^2(p_1) e^{p_1 t}}{\left[\frac{d(p^2 + Q^2)}{dp} \right]_{p=p_1} (p_1 + i\omega_0)} \quad (11)$$

$$(12)$$

and

$$p_1 \leftrightarrow p_2 \quad (13)$$

For convenience to compare with simulation, we introduce the dimensionless frequency

$$\bar{\omega} = \frac{\omega}{k_{\parallel} v_A} = \frac{p}{-i k_{\parallel} v_A} \quad (14)$$

$$\bar{t} = k_{\parallel} v_A t \quad (15)$$

Therefore

$$\xi_s = \sqrt{\frac{T_i m_s}{T_s m_i}} \frac{\bar{\omega}}{\sqrt{\beta_I}} \quad (16)$$

The dimensionless dispersion relation takes the form:

$$\bar{\omega}^2 - \bar{Q}^2 = 0 \quad (17)$$

where

$$\bar{Q}^2 = \frac{Q^2}{-k_{\parallel}^2 v_A^2} = \frac{\alpha_i A}{(A - B)B} \quad (18)$$

Hence the residue $\text{Res}(p = -i\omega_0)$ becomes

$$\text{Res}(\bar{\omega}_0) = \frac{\bar{Q}^2(\bar{\omega}_0) e^{-i\bar{\omega}_0 \bar{t}}}{\bar{\omega}_0^2 - \bar{Q}^2(\bar{\omega}_0)} \quad (19)$$

The residues of the other two poles are

$$\text{Res}(\bar{\omega}_j) = \frac{\bar{Q}^2(\bar{\omega}_j)e^{-i\bar{\omega}_j\bar{t}}}{(G(\bar{\omega}_j) + 2\bar{\omega}_j)(\bar{\omega}_j - \bar{\omega}_0)} \quad (20)$$

where $j = 1, 2$ and

$$G = \frac{\alpha_i}{\sqrt{\beta_i}(A - B)^2} \sum_s \left(\frac{T_i}{T_s} \right)^{3/2} \sqrt{\frac{m_s}{m_i}} \Gamma_{0s} [(1 - 2\xi_s^2)Z_s - 2\xi_s] \quad (21)$$