

22.616. Plasma Transport theory

Problem #3 Solutions

1. Momentum Equation Structure

Vlasov Equation

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \underline{v} \cdot \nabla f + \frac{q}{m} (\underline{E} + \frac{1}{c} \underline{v} \times \underline{B}) \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \underline{v}} = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Assume

$$f \approx f^M = \frac{n}{(2\pi T/m)^{3/2}} e^{-\frac{m(\underline{v}-\underline{V})^2}{2T}} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Let $\underline{v}' = \underline{v} - \underline{V}$, then $\underline{v} = \underline{v}' + \underline{V}$ --- (3)

$$f^M = \frac{n}{(2\pi T/m)^{3/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{m v'^2}{2T}\right) \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

1° Take the density moment of Eq (1).

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int d^3v f + \nabla \cdot \int d^3v \underline{v} f + \int d^3v \frac{q}{m} (\underline{E} + \frac{1}{c} \underline{v} \times \underline{B}) \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \underline{v}} = 0$$

Where

$$\begin{aligned} \int d^3v f &= \int d^3v (f - f^M) + \int d^3v f^M \\ &= \int d^3v (f - f^M) + n \approx n \end{aligned} \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

$$\int d^3v \underline{v} f = \int d^3v' (\underline{v}' + \underline{V}) f$$

$$= \int d^3v' \underline{v}' f + \int d^3v' f \underline{V} = n \underline{V} \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

Assume $\int d^3v' \underline{v}' f = \int d^3v' \underline{v}' (f - f^M) = 0 \quad \text{--- (7)}$

~~Take the~~

$$\frac{q}{m} \int (\underline{E} + \frac{1}{c} \underline{v} \times \underline{B}) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \underline{v}} f d^3v$$

Integrate by

parts $= - \frac{q}{m} \int f \nabla_{\underline{v}} \cdot (\underline{E} + \frac{1}{c} \underline{v} \times \underline{B}) d^3v \quad \text{--- (8)}$

$$\underline{E} = \underline{E}(\underline{x}, t) \text{ so } \nabla_{\underline{v}} \cdot \underline{E} = 0$$

$$\nabla_{\underline{v}} \cdot (\underline{v} \times \underline{B}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial v_i} (\sum_{ijk} v_j B_k) = \sum_{ijk} B_k \delta_{ij} = \sum_{ik} B_k = 0$$

Therefore $\frac{q}{m} \int (\underline{E} + \frac{1}{c} \underline{v} \times \underline{B}) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \underline{v}} f d^3v = 0 \quad \text{--- (8)}$

Then we have

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (n \underline{V}) = 0} \quad \text{--- (9)}$$

(3)

2° Take the momentum moment of Eq (1)

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \underbrace{\int d^3v m \underline{v} f}_{(1)} + \nabla \cdot \underbrace{\int d^3v m \underline{v} \underline{v} f}_{(2)} + \underbrace{\int d^3v q (\underline{E} + \frac{1}{c} \underline{v} \times \underline{B}) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \underline{v}} f}_{(3)} = 0$$

$$(1) = \int d^3v m \underline{v} f = n m \underline{V} \quad (\text{proved at eq (6)})$$

$$(2) = m \int d^3v' (\underline{v}' + \underline{V})(\underline{v}' + \underline{V}) f$$

$$= m \int d^3v' (\underline{v}' \underline{v}' + \underline{v}' \underline{V} + \underline{V} \underline{v}' + \underline{V} \underline{V}) f$$

$$= m \int d^3v' \underline{v}' \underline{v}' f + m n \underline{V} \underline{V}$$

$$= m \int d^3v' q \underline{v}' \underline{v}' (f - f_{AA}^M) + m \int d^3v' \underline{v}' \underline{v}' f^M + n m \underline{V} \underline{V}$$

$$= \underline{\Pi} + n T \underline{I} + n m \underline{V} \underline{V} \quad \dots (11)$$

$$(3) = - \int d^3v q (\underline{E} + \frac{1}{c} \underline{v} \times \underline{B}) \cdot \underline{I} f$$

$$= - q n \underline{E} \cdot \underline{I} - \frac{q}{c} (\int d^3v \underline{v} f) \times \underline{B}$$

$$= - q n \underline{E} - \frac{q}{c} n \underline{V} \times \underline{B} \quad \dots (12)$$

Therefore we have

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (nm\underline{V}) + \nabla \cdot (\underline{\Pi} + nT\underline{I} + nm\underline{V}\underline{V}) - qn\underline{E} - qn\frac{1}{c}\underline{V}\times\underline{B} = 0$$

i.e.

$$nm \frac{\partial \underline{V}}{\partial t} + m\underline{V} \frac{\partial n}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \underline{\Pi} + \nabla p + nm\underline{V} \cdot \nabla \underline{V} + m\underline{V} \nabla \cdot (n\underline{V})$$

$$= qn(\underline{E} + \frac{1}{c}\underline{V}\times\underline{B})$$

Plug in the density momenta equation (9). we have -

$$nm \left(\frac{\partial \underline{V}}{\partial t} + \underline{V} \cdot \nabla \underline{V} \right) = -\nabla p + qn \left(\underline{E} + \frac{1}{c}\underline{V}\times\underline{B} \right) - \nabla \cdot \underline{\Pi} \quad \text{--- (13)}$$

with

$$\underline{\Pi} \equiv m \int d^3v \underline{v}\underline{v} f \quad (f = f^M) \quad \text{(Stress tensor)} \quad \text{--- (14)}$$

3°. Take the Energy moment of Eq (10). we get

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int d^3v \frac{1}{2} m v^2 f + \nabla \cdot \left(\int d^3v \frac{1}{2} m v^2 \underline{v} f \right) + \int d^3v \frac{q}{m} \left(\underline{E} + \frac{1}{c} \underline{v} \times \underline{B} \right) \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \underline{v}}$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{2} m v^2 \right) = 0$$

(5)

$$\begin{aligned}
\textcircled{1} &= \frac{1}{2} m \int d^3v' (\underline{v}' + \underline{V}) \cdot (\underline{v}' + \underline{V}) f \\
&= \frac{1}{2} m \int d^3v' (v'^2 + V^2 + 2\underline{v}' \cdot \underline{V}) f \\
&= \frac{1}{2} m \int d^3v' (v'^2 + V^2) f \\
&\approx \frac{1}{2} m \int d^3v' v'^2 f^M + \frac{1}{2} m V^2 + \frac{1}{2} m \int d^3v' v'^2 (f - f^M) \\
&= \frac{3}{2} nT + \frac{1}{2} nmV^2 \quad \text{--- (15)} \\
& \left(\text{Assume } \frac{1}{2} m \int d^3v' v'^2 (f - f^M) = 0 \right)
\end{aligned}$$

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Define

$$\underline{Q} \equiv \int d^3v \frac{1}{2} m v^2 \underline{v} f$$

$$= \frac{m}{2} \int d^3v' (\underline{v}' + \underline{V})^2 (\underline{v}' + \underline{V}) f$$

$$= \frac{m}{2} \int d^3v' (v'^2 \underline{v}' + v'^2 \underline{V} + V \underline{v}'^2 + V^2 \underline{V} + 2\underline{v}' \cdot \underline{V} \underline{v}' + 2\underline{v}' \cdot \underline{V} \underline{V}) f$$

$$\text{let } \underline{Q} = \frac{m}{2} \int d^3v' (v'^2 \underline{v}' + v'^2 \underline{V} + V \underline{v}'^2 + 2\underline{v}' \cdot \underline{V} \underline{v}') f \quad \text{--- (16)}$$

$$\text{let } \underline{Q} \equiv \int d^3v' \frac{m}{2} v'^2 \underline{v}' f$$

As we defined in Eq (14)

$$\underline{\underline{\Pi}} = \int d^3v m \underline{v}' \underline{v}' (f - f^M)$$

$$= n \int d^3v \underline{v}' \underline{v}' f - nT \underline{\underline{I}}$$

--- (17)

Therefore

$$\underline{\underline{Q}} = \underline{\underline{Q}} + \frac{m}{2} \int d^3v v'^2 \underline{V} f + \frac{nm}{2} V^2 \underline{V} + (\underline{\underline{\Pi}} + nT \underline{\underline{I}}) \cdot \underline{V}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{Q}} + \frac{m \underline{V}}{2} \int d^3v v'^2 (f - f^M) + \frac{3}{2} nT \underline{V} + \frac{nm \underline{V}^2}{2} \underline{V}$$

$$+ \underline{\underline{\Pi}} \cdot \underline{V} + nT \underline{V}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\underline{\underline{Q}} = \underline{\underline{Q}} + \frac{5}{2} nT \underline{V} + \frac{nm \underline{V}^2}{2} \underline{V} + \underline{\underline{\Pi}} \cdot \underline{V}}$$

--- (18)

$$\textcircled{3} = \frac{q}{m} \int d^3v \frac{1}{2} m v^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \cdot [(\underline{E} + \frac{1}{c} \underline{v} \times \underline{B}) f]$$

Integrate by parts \Rightarrow

$$\textcircled{3} = - \int d^3v q \underline{v} \cdot (\underline{E} + \frac{1}{c} \underline{v} \times \underline{B}) f$$

(7)

$$= - \int d^3V \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \underline{v} \cdot \underline{E} f$$

$$= - \rho n \underline{V} \cdot \underline{E} \quad \text{---(19)}$$

Therefore the energy moment equation turns out to be

$$\underline{\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{3}{2} n T + \frac{1}{2} m n V^2 \right) + \nabla \cdot \underline{Q} = \rho n \underline{V} \cdot \underline{E}} \quad \text{---(20)}$$

Where

$$\nabla \cdot \underline{Q} = \nabla \cdot \left(\rho + \frac{5}{2} n T \underline{V} + \frac{nmV^2}{2} \underline{V} + \underline{\Pi} \cdot \underline{V} \right)$$

$$= \nabla \cdot \left(\rho + \frac{5}{2} n T \underline{V} \right) + \underline{V} \cdot \nabla \left(\frac{1}{2} nm V^2 \right) + \frac{1}{2} nm V^2 \nabla \cdot \underline{V}$$

$$+ \underline{V} \cdot (\nabla \cdot \underline{\Pi}) + \underline{\Pi} : \nabla \underline{V}$$

$$= \nabla \cdot \left(\rho + \frac{5}{2} n T \underline{V} \right) + \frac{1}{2} nm \underline{V} \cdot \nabla V^2 + \frac{1}{2} m V^2 (\underline{V} \cdot \nabla n + n \nabla \cdot \underline{V})$$

$$+ \underline{V} \cdot (\nabla \cdot \underline{\Pi}) + \underline{\Pi} : \nabla \underline{V}$$

$$= \nabla \cdot \left(\rho + \frac{5}{2} n T \underline{V} \right) + \frac{1}{2} nm \underline{V} \cdot \nabla V^2 + \frac{1}{2} m V^2 \frac{\partial n}{\partial t}$$

$$+ \underline{V} \cdot (\nabla \cdot \underline{\Pi}) + \underline{\Pi} : \nabla \underline{V}$$

---(21)

Plug Eq (21) into Eq (20). We obtain

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{3}{2} n T \right) + \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{5}{2} n T \underline{V} + \underline{g} \right) + \underline{V} \cdot \nabla \underline{\Pi} + \underline{\Pi} \cdot \nabla \underline{V}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} n m \underline{V} \cdot \nabla V^2 - \frac{1}{2} m V^2 \frac{\partial n}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{1}{2} n m V^2 \right) = 3 n \underline{V} \cdot \underline{E}$$

i.e.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{3}{2} n T \right) + \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{5}{2} n T \underline{V} + \underline{g} \right) + \underline{V} \cdot \nabla \underline{\Pi} + \underline{\Pi} \cdot \nabla \underline{V}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} n m \underline{V} \cdot \nabla V^2 + \cancel{\frac{1}{2} m V^2} \frac{\partial n}{\partial t} = 3 n \underline{V} \cdot \underline{E} \quad \dots (22)$$

Then evaluate $\underline{V} \cdot \text{Eq. (13)}$ (the Momentum moment Equation)

$$n m \left(\underline{V} \cdot \frac{\partial \underline{V}}{\partial t} + \underline{V} \cdot (\underline{V} \cdot \nabla \underline{V}) \right) = - \underline{V} \cdot \nabla P + 3 n \underline{V} \cdot \underline{E} - \underline{V} \cdot (\nabla \cdot \underline{\Pi}) \quad \dots (23)$$

Notice

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{V} \cdot (\underline{V} \cdot \nabla \underline{V}) &= V_i V_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} V_i = V_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\frac{1}{2} V_i V_i \right) \\ &= \underline{V} \cdot \nabla \frac{1}{2} V^2 = \frac{1}{2} \underline{V} \cdot \nabla V^2. \end{aligned}$$

So Eq (23) is

$$n m \left(\underline{V} \cdot \frac{\partial \underline{V}}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} n m \underline{V} \cdot \nabla V^2 \right) = - \underline{V} \cdot \nabla P + 3 n \underline{V} \cdot \underline{E} - \underline{V} \cdot (\nabla \cdot \underline{\Pi}) \quad \dots (24)$$

combine Eq (22) & Eq. (24), we finally get

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{3}{2} n T \right) + \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{5}{2} n T \underline{V} + \underline{g} \right) = \underline{V} \cdot \nabla P - \underline{\pi} : \nabla \underline{V} \quad \text{--- (25)}$$

Notice

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{5}{2} n T \underline{V} \right) &= \nabla \cdot (P \underline{V}) + \frac{3}{2} \nabla \cdot (n T \underline{V}) \\ &= \underline{V} \cdot \nabla P + P \nabla \cdot \underline{V} + \frac{3}{2} n \underline{V} \cdot \nabla T + \frac{3}{2} T \nabla \cdot (n \underline{V}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{3}{2} n T \right) = \frac{3}{2} n \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + \frac{3}{2} T \frac{\partial n}{\partial t}$$

So Eq. (25) =>

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{3}{2} n \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \underline{V} \cdot \nabla \right) T + \frac{3}{2} T \left(\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (n \underline{V}) \right) &= 0 \\ + P \nabla \cdot \underline{V} &= -\nabla \cdot \underline{g} - \underline{\pi} : \nabla \underline{V} \end{aligned}$$

So we obtain

$$\frac{3}{2} n \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \underline{V} \cdot \nabla \right) T + P \nabla \cdot \underline{V} = -\nabla \cdot \underline{g} - \underline{\pi} : \nabla \underline{V} \quad \text{--- (26)}$$

If $\underline{\pi} = 0$ (zero viscous stress), $\underline{q} = 0$ (no heat flux)

Eq(26) can be written as

$$\frac{3}{2} n \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \underline{V} \cdot \nabla \right) T + P \nabla \cdot \underline{V} = 0 \quad \text{---(27)}$$

From the density moment eq.

$$n \nabla \cdot \underline{V} = - \frac{Dn}{Dt}$$

So Eq(27) change to

$$\frac{3}{2} n \frac{DT}{Dt} - T \frac{Dn}{Dt} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{T} \frac{DT}{Dt} - \frac{2}{3} \frac{1}{n} \frac{Dn}{Dt} = 0$$

$$\text{i.e.} \quad \frac{D}{Dt} (\ln(T n^{-2/3})) = 0$$

$$\text{Since} \Rightarrow \frac{D}{Dt} (\ln P n^{-5/3}) = 0$$

$$\text{i.e.} \quad \boxed{\frac{D}{Dt} (P n^{-5/3}) = 0} \quad \text{--- (28)}$$