

# Supporting Information of “lower hybrid drift waves during guide field reconnection”

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## 1 Derivation of $\mathbf{q}^{\parallel}$ (Eqn. 12)

From the kinetic equation in the  $(t, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{w} \equiv \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{V})$  coordinates ( $\mathbf{V}$  is the fluid velocity),

$$\frac{df}{dt} - (\mathbf{w} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{V}) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{w}} f + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{w} f) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{w}} \cdot (\mathbf{A} f) + \frac{q}{m} \mathbf{w} \times \mathbf{B} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{w}} f = C(f), \quad (1)$$

where

$$\frac{d}{dt} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \mathbf{V} \cdot \nabla, \quad (2)$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{m} [\mathbf{F}_* + q(\mathbf{V} \times \mathbf{B})] - \frac{d\mathbf{V}}{dt}. \quad (3)$$

For the  $p^{\parallel}$  fluid equation, we need to obtain the closure

$$\mathbf{q}^{\parallel} = \int d^3 v m w_{\parallel}^2 \mathbf{w} f = q_{\parallel}^{\parallel} \hat{z} + \mathbf{q}_{\perp}^{\parallel} \quad (4)$$

where  $q_{\parallel}^{\parallel} = \int d^3 v m w_{\parallel}^3 f$  has been obtained in J.-Y. Ji and Joseph (2018) and we will obtain the  $\mathbf{q}_{\perp}^{\parallel}$  closure. We adopt the closure (transport) ordering  $d/dt \approx 0$  and the linear response theory.

We take the moments  $\int d^3 v m w_{\parallel}^2 \mathbf{w}$  of the kinetic equation:

$$\int d^3 v m w_{\parallel}^2 \mathbf{w} \frac{df}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{q}^{\parallel} : \text{ignored by the closure ordering}, \quad (5)$$

$$\int d^3 v m w_{\parallel}^2 \mathbf{w} (\mathbf{w} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{V}) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{w}} f : \text{ignored by the linearization}, \quad (6)$$

$$\int d^3 v m w_{\parallel}^2 \mathbf{w} \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{w} f) = \nabla \cdot (\hat{z} \hat{z} : \int d^3 v m \mathbf{w} \mathbf{w} \mathbf{w} \mathbf{w} f). \quad (7)$$

We should decompose  $\mathbf{w} \mathbf{w} \mathbf{w} \mathbf{w}$  into orthogonal polynomials (see J.-Y. Ji and Held (2008)) for the consistent truncation in the expansion of a distribution function.

$$\mathbf{c} = \frac{\mathbf{w}}{v_T} = \frac{\mathbf{w}}{\sqrt{2T/m}} \quad (8)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{cccc} &= p^4 + \frac{6}{7} \left( c^2 - \frac{7}{2} \right) \{ p^2 l \} + 3 \{ p^2 l \} + \left( \frac{2}{5} p^{02} - p^{01} + \frac{3}{4} \right) \{ ll \} \\ &= p^{40} - \frac{6}{7} \{ p^{21} l \} + 3 \{ p^{20} l \} + \left( \frac{2}{5} p^{02} - p^{01} + \frac{3}{4} \right) \{ ll \} \\ &= 3 \{ p^2 l \} + \frac{3}{4} \{ ll \} + \text{higher order moments to be truncated}, \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

where the operator  $\{\dots\}$  is the symmetrization of the tensor (J.-Y. Ji & Held, 2008). For  $\mathbf{bb} : \mathbf{cccc}$  (notation  $\mathbf{b} = \hat{z}$ ),

$$\mathbf{bb} : \{p^2 I\} = \frac{1}{6} (\mathbf{bb} : p^2 I + 2\mathbf{bb} \cdot p^2 + 2\mathbf{b} \cdot p^2 \mathbf{b} + p^2), \quad (10)$$

$$\mathbf{bb} : \{II\} = \frac{1}{3}(I + 2\mathbf{bb}). \quad (11)$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \int d\mathbf{v} m w_{\parallel}^2 \mathbf{ww} f &= mv_T^4 \int d\mathbf{v} \mathbf{bb} : \left( 3 \{p^2 I\} + \frac{3}{4} \{II\} \right) f \\ &= mv_T^4 \int d\mathbf{v} \left[ 3 \frac{1}{6} (\mathbf{bb} : p^2 I + 2\mathbf{bb} \cdot p^2 + 2\mathbf{bb} \cdot p^2 + p^2) + \frac{3}{4} \frac{1}{3} (I + 2\mathbf{bb}) \right] f \\ &= \frac{v_T^2}{2} (\pi_{\parallel} I + 2\mathbf{bb} \cdot \boldsymbol{\pi} + 2\mathbf{b} \cdot \boldsymbol{\pi} \mathbf{b} + \boldsymbol{\pi}) + mv_T^4 \frac{1}{4} n (I + 2\mathbf{bb}) \\ &= \frac{T}{m} (\pi_{\parallel} I + 2\mathbf{bb} \cdot \boldsymbol{\pi} + 2\mathbf{b} \cdot \boldsymbol{\pi} \mathbf{b} + \boldsymbol{\pi}) + T \frac{p}{m} (I + 2\mathbf{bb}) \\ &= \frac{T}{m} p^{\parallel} I + 2 \frac{T}{m} \mathbf{bb} \cdot \boldsymbol{\pi} + 2 \frac{T}{m} \mathbf{b} \cdot \boldsymbol{\pi} \mathbf{b} + \frac{T}{m} \boldsymbol{\pi} + T \frac{p}{m} 2\mathbf{bb}, \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

where

$$p^{\parallel} = p + \pi_{\parallel}, \quad (13)$$

$$p^{\perp} = p - \frac{1}{2}\pi_{\parallel}, \quad (14)$$

$$\pi_{\parallel} = \frac{2}{3}(p^{\parallel} - p^{\perp}), \quad (15)$$

$$p = \frac{1}{3}(p^{\parallel} + 2p^{\perp}), \quad (16)$$

$$\boldsymbol{\pi} = \frac{3}{2}\pi_{\parallel}(\mathbf{bb} - \frac{1}{3}I), \quad (17)$$

$$\mathbf{b} \cdot \boldsymbol{\pi} = \pi_{\parallel} \mathbf{b}. \quad (18)$$

Hereafter we will drop  $\mathbf{b}$  terms, which will be nullified by the  $\mathbf{b} \times$  operation:

$$\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\pi} = \frac{3}{2}\mathbf{b}\partial_{\parallel}\pi_{\parallel} - \frac{1}{2}\nabla\pi_{\parallel} \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2}\nabla\pi_{\parallel}, \quad (19)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot \int d\mathbf{v} m w_{\parallel}^2 \mathbf{ww} f &\approx \nabla \cdot \left( \frac{T}{m} p^{\parallel} I + 2 \frac{T}{m} \mathbf{bb} \cdot \boldsymbol{\pi} + 2 \frac{T}{m} \mathbf{b} \cdot \boldsymbol{\pi} \mathbf{b} + \frac{T}{m} \boldsymbol{\pi} + T \frac{p}{m} 2\mathbf{bb} \right) \\ &= \nabla \cdot \left( \frac{T}{m} p^{\parallel} I + 4 \frac{T}{m} \pi_{\parallel} \mathbf{bb} + \frac{T}{m} \boldsymbol{\pi} + T \frac{p}{m} 2\mathbf{bb} \right) \\ &\rightarrow \frac{1}{m} p^{\parallel} \nabla T + \frac{1}{m} T \nabla p^{\parallel} - \frac{T}{2m} \nabla \pi_{\parallel}. \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

For the  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{w}} \cdot (\mathbf{A}f)$  term,

$$\mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{m} [\mathbf{F}_* + q(\mathbf{V} \times \mathbf{B})] - \frac{d\mathbf{V}}{dt} = \frac{1}{mn} (\nabla p + \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\pi}). \quad (21)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\int d\mathbf{v} m w_{\parallel}^2 \mathbf{w} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{w}} \cdot (\mathbf{A} f) &= - \int d\mathbf{v} m \mathbf{A} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{w}} (w_{\parallel}^2 \mathbf{w}) f \\
&= - \int d\mathbf{v} m (2\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{w} \mathbf{w} \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{b} + w_{\parallel}^2 \mathbf{A}) f \\
&= -2\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{p} \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{b} - p^{\parallel} \mathbf{A} \\
&= -2p^{\parallel} \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{b} \mathbf{b} - p^{\parallel} \mathbf{A} \\
&\rightarrow -p^{\parallel} \frac{1}{mn} (\nabla p + \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\pi}) \\
&= -p^{\parallel} \frac{1}{mn} (\nabla p - \frac{1}{2} \nabla \pi_{\parallel} + \frac{3}{2} \mathbf{b} \partial_{\parallel} \pi_{\parallel}) \\
&\rightarrow -\frac{p^{\parallel}}{mn} \nabla p^{\perp}.
\end{aligned} \tag{22}$$

All together,  $\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{w} f) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{w}} \cdot (\mathbf{A} f)$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{all} &= \frac{1}{m} p^{\parallel} \nabla T + \frac{1}{m} T \nabla p^{\parallel} - \frac{T}{2m} \nabla \pi_{\parallel} - \frac{p^{\parallel}}{mn} \nabla p^{\perp} \\
&= \frac{1}{m} \left( p^{\parallel} \nabla T + T \nabla p^{\parallel} - \frac{T}{2} \nabla \pi_{\parallel} - \frac{p^{\parallel}}{n} \nabla p^{\perp} \right).
\end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\int d^3 v m w_{\parallel}^2 \mathbf{w} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{w}} \cdot (\mathbf{w} \times \mathbf{B} f) &= -m \int d^3 v (\mathbf{w} \times \mathbf{B} f) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{w}} (w_{\parallel}^2 \mathbf{w}) \\
&= -m \int d^3 v (\mathbf{w} \times \mathbf{B} f) \cdot (2w_{\parallel} \mathbf{b} + w_{\parallel}^2 \mathbf{l}) \\
&= -m \int d^3 v w_{\parallel}^2 \mathbf{w} \times \mathbf{B} f \\
&= -\mathbf{q}^{\parallel} \times \mathbf{B}.
\end{aligned} \tag{24}$$

$$\frac{q}{m} \int d^3 v m w_{\parallel}^2 \mathbf{w} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{w}} \cdot (\mathbf{w} \times \mathbf{B} f) = -\Omega \mathbf{q}^{\parallel} \times \mathbf{b}. \tag{25}$$

The final equation becomes

$$(\text{terms dropped by closure ordering}) + \mathbf{all} + (\text{terms } \propto \mathbf{b}) - \Omega \mathbf{q}^{\parallel} \times \hat{z} = 0 \text{ (collisionless)}$$

$$\mathbf{q}_{\perp}^{\parallel} = \frac{1}{\Omega} \hat{z} \times \mathbf{all}. \tag{26}$$

$$\mathbf{q}^{\parallel} = \int d\mathbf{v} m w_{\parallel}^2 \mathbf{w} f = q_{\parallel}^{\parallel} \hat{z} + \mathbf{q}_{\perp}^{\parallel}. \tag{27}$$

$$\mathbf{q}_{\perp}^{\parallel} = \frac{1}{m\Omega} \mathbf{b} \times \left( p^{\parallel} \nabla T + T \nabla p^{\parallel} - \frac{T}{2} \nabla \pi_{\parallel} - \frac{p^{\parallel}}{n} \nabla p^{\perp} \right). \tag{28}$$

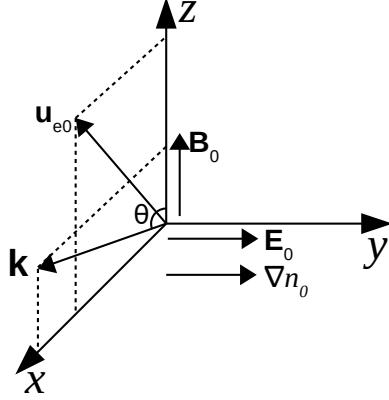
## 2 Derivation of the dispersion relation

The geometry of the model is shown in 1. From the equilibrium momentum equations, the equilibrium electric field is

$$E_0 = \frac{T_{i0}}{T_{e0}^{\perp} + T_{i0}} u_{e0x} B_0. \tag{29}$$

The inverse of the gradient scale is given by

$$\epsilon = \frac{e u_{e0x} B_0}{T_{e0}^{\perp} + T_{i0}}. \tag{30}$$



**Figure 1.** Geometry of the local theory for the LHDW dispersion calculation. The model is in the ion rest frame with  $z$  toward the equilibrium magnetic field ( $\mathbf{B}_0$ ) and  $y$  along the density gradient direction. The equilibrium electric field  $\mathbf{E}_0$  is also along  $y$  for the force balance. The equilibrium electron flow velocity  $\mathbf{u}_{e0}$  and wave vector  $\mathbf{k}$  reside on the  $x$ - $z$  plane. The angle between  $\mathbf{k}$  and  $\mathbf{B}_0$  is given by  $\theta$ .

For the dispersion relation, the following Maxwell's equation without the displacement current term is used:

$$\mathbf{k} \times (\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E}_1) = -i\omega\mu_0\mathbf{J}_1. \quad (31)$$

The perturbed ion current density ( $\mathbf{J}_{i1}$ ) is given by (H. Ji, Kulsrud, Fox, & Yamada, 2005)

$$\mathbf{J}_{i1} = -\frac{in_0e^2}{m_i k v_{ti}} \left[ Z(\zeta)\mathbf{E}_1 + \frac{Z''(\mathbf{E}_1 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{k}})}{2}\hat{\mathbf{k}} - i\left(\frac{\epsilon}{2k}\right)Z''E_{1y}\hat{\mathbf{k}} \right]. \quad (32)$$

The first order electron momentum equation is given by

$$im_en_0(\omega - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{e0})\mathbf{u}_{e1} = i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{P}_{e1} + en_0(\mathbf{E}_1 + \mathbf{u}_{e1} \times \mathbf{B}_0 + \mathbf{u}_{e0} \times \mathbf{B}_1) + e(\mathbf{E}_0 + \mathbf{u}_{e0} \times \mathbf{B}_0)n_{e1}. \quad (33)$$

The perturbed electron density  $n_{e1}$  is given by the electron continuity equation, which is

$$(\omega - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{e0})n_{e1} = (\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{e1} - i\epsilon u_{e1y})n_{e0}. \quad (34)$$

Assuming that the perpendicular temperature perturbation is negligible,  $p_{e1}^\perp$  is just

$$p_{e1}^\perp \approx n_{e1}T_{e0}^\perp. \quad (35)$$

For the parallel electron pressure, the following equation from the Vlasov equation is used:

$$\frac{\partial p_e^\parallel}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u}_e p_e^\parallel) + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{q}_e^\parallel + 2\frac{\partial u_{ez}}{\partial z}p_e^\parallel = 0, \quad (36)$$

where

$$p_e^{\parallel} = m_e \int (v_z - u_{ez})^2 f_e d\mathbf{v}, \quad (37)$$

$$\mathbf{q}_e^{\parallel} = m_e \int (\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u}_e)(v_z - u_{ez})^2 f_e d\mathbf{v}, \quad (38)$$

$$n_e \mathbf{u}_e = \int \mathbf{v} f_e d\mathbf{v}. \quad (39)$$

Linearizing Eqn. 36 yields

$$-i\omega p_{e1}^{\parallel} + \epsilon u_{e1y} p_{e0}^{\parallel} + i(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{e0}) p_{e1}^{\parallel} + i(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{e1}) n_0 T_{e0}^{\parallel} + i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{q}_{e1}^{\parallel} + 2ik_{\parallel} u_{e1z} n_0 T_{e0}^{\parallel} = 0. \quad (40)$$

As shown in the previous section, the 3 + 1 fluid model gives us

$$\mathbf{q}_e^{\parallel} = \frac{\hat{z}}{m_e \omega_{ce}} \times \left( p_e^{\parallel} \nabla T_e + T_e \nabla p_e^{\parallel} - \frac{T_e}{2} \nabla \pi_e^{\parallel} - T_e^{\parallel} \nabla p_e^{\perp} \right) + q_{ez}^{\parallel} \hat{z}, \quad (41)$$

where  $\pi_e^{\parallel} = 2(p_e^{\parallel} - p_e^{\perp})/3$ ,  $T_e = (2T_e^{\perp} + T_e^{\parallel})/3$ . The closure for  $q_{e1z}^{\parallel}$  in the collisionless limit is given by J.-Y. Ji and Joseph (2018)

$$q_{e1z}^{\parallel} = \frac{-i}{\sqrt{\pi}} \frac{k_{\parallel}}{|k_{\parallel}|} 2n_0 v_{te} T_{e1}^{\parallel}, \quad (42)$$

where  $T_{e1}^{\parallel} = (p_{e1}^{\parallel} - T_{e0}^{\parallel} n_1)/n_0$  is the perturbed parallel temperature. Since  $k_y = 0$ , only  $q_{e1x}^{\parallel}$  is required to close Eqn. 40. By linearizing Eqn. 41 and using Eqn. 30,  $q_{e1x}^{\parallel}$  becomes

$$q_{e1x}^{\parallel} = -\frac{2}{9} \frac{(T_{e0}^{\parallel} - 4T_{e0}^{\perp}) T_{e1}^{\parallel}}{T_{e0}^{\perp} + T_{i0}} n_0 u_{e0x} = r_e^{\parallel} T_{e1}^{\parallel} n_0 u_{e0x}, \quad (43)$$

where  $r_e^{\parallel} = 2(4T_{e0}^{\perp} - T_{e0}^{\parallel})/9(T_{e0}^{\perp} + T_{i0})$ .

Then,  $i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{q}_{e1}^{\parallel}$  becomes

$$i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{q}_{e1}^{\parallel} = i \left[ k_{\perp} r_e^{\parallel} u_{e0x} - i(2/\sqrt{\pi}) |k_{\parallel}| v_{te} \right] n_0 (p_{e1}^{\parallel} - T_{e0}^{\parallel} n_1) - ik_{\perp} r_e^{\parallel} u_{e0x} n_0 T_{e1}^{\perp}. \quad (44)$$

Then, from Eqn. 40,  $p_{e1}^{\parallel}$  becomes

$$p_{e1}^{\parallel} = n_{e1} T_{e0}^{\parallel} + \frac{2k_{\parallel} n_0 T_{e0}^{\parallel} u_{e1z}}{\omega - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{e0} - r_e^{\parallel} k_{\perp} u_{e0x} + i(2/\sqrt{\pi}) |k_{\parallel}| v_{te}}. \quad (45)$$

The  $z$  component of Eqn. 33 is

$$im_e n_0 (\omega - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{e0}) u_{e1z} = ik_{\parallel} p_{e1}^{\parallel} + en_0 (E_{1z} + u_{e0x} B_{1y}), \quad (46)$$

From the Faraday's Law ( $\omega \mathbf{B}_1 = \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E}_1$ ),  $B_{1y} = (k_{\parallel} E_{1x} - k_{\perp} E_{1z})/\omega$ . With Eqn. 45, Eqn. 46, and  $\alpha_e = (\omega - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{e0})/\omega_{ce}$ ,  $u_{e1z}$  is expressed as

$$i\alpha_{ez} u_{e1z} = A_{ez} + i \frac{\cos \theta}{2\alpha_e} \left( \frac{kv_{te}^{\parallel}}{\omega_{ce}} \right)^2 \left[ u_{e1x} \sin \theta - i \left( \frac{\epsilon}{k} \right) u_{e1y} \right], \quad (47)$$

where

$$\alpha_{ez} = \alpha_e - \left( \frac{kv_{te}^{\parallel} \cos \theta}{\omega_{ce}} \right)^2 \left[ \frac{1}{2\alpha_e} + \frac{1}{\alpha_e - r_e^{\parallel} (ku_{e0x}/\omega_{ce}) \sin \theta + i(2/\sqrt{\pi}) (|k_{\parallel}| v_{te}/\omega_{ce})} \right], \quad (48)$$

$$A_{ez} = \frac{E_{1z}}{B_0} + \frac{ku_{e0x}}{\omega} \frac{E_{1x} \cos \theta - E_{1z} \sin \theta}{B_0}. \quad (49)$$

The  $x$  component of Eqn. 33 is

$$im_e n_0 (\omega - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{e0}) u_{e1x} = ik_\perp p_{e1}^\perp + en_{e0}(E_{1x} + B_0 u_{e1y} - u_{e0z} B_{1y}). \quad (50)$$

With Eqns. 35, 34, and 47,  $u_{e1y}$  can be expressed as

$$\gamma_{ey} u_{e1y} = i\alpha_{ex} u_{e1x} - \frac{\sin \theta \cos \theta}{2\alpha_e \alpha_{ez}} \left( \frac{kv_{te}^\perp}{\omega_{ce}} \right)^2 A_{ez} - A_{ex}, \quad (51)$$

where  $\gamma_{ey}$ ,  $\alpha_{ex}$ , and  $A_{ex}$  are

$$\gamma_{ey} = 1 + \frac{\sin \theta}{2\alpha_e} \left( \frac{\epsilon}{k} \right) \left( \frac{kv_{te}^\perp}{\omega_{ce}} \right)^2 \left[ 1 + \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{2\alpha_e \alpha_{ez}} \left( \frac{kv_{te}^\parallel}{\omega_{ce}} \right)^2 \right], \quad (52)$$

$$\alpha_{ex} = \alpha_e - \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{2\alpha_e} \left( \frac{kv_{te}^\perp}{\omega_{ce}} \right)^2 \left[ 1 + \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{2\alpha_e \alpha_{ez}} \left( \frac{kv_{te}^\parallel}{\omega_{ce}} \right)^2 \right], \quad (53)$$

$$A_{ex} = \frac{E_{1x}}{B_0} - \frac{ku_{e0z}}{\omega} \frac{E_{1x} \cos \theta - E_{1z} \sin \theta}{B_0}. \quad (54)$$

The  $y$  component of Eqn. 33 is

$$im_e n_{e0} (\omega - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{e0}) u_{1y} = en_{e0}(E_{1y} - B_0 u_{e1x} - u_{e0x} B_{1z} + u_{e0z} B_{1x}) + e(E_0 - u_{e0x} B_0) n_{e1}. \quad (55)$$

With Eqns. 34, 29, and 47,  $u_{e1x}$  can be expressed as

$$\gamma_{ex} u_{e1x} = -i\alpha_{ey} u_{e1y} + \frac{i \cos \theta}{\alpha_e \alpha_{ez}} \frac{T_{e0}^\perp}{T_{e0}^\perp + T_{i0}} \left( \frac{ku_{e0x}}{\omega_{ce}} \right) A_{ez} + A_{ey}, \quad (56)$$

where  $\gamma_{ex}$ ,  $\alpha_{ey}$ , and  $A_{ey}$  are

$$\gamma_{ex} = 1 + \frac{\sin \theta}{\alpha_e} \frac{T_{e0}^\perp}{T_{e0}^\perp + T_{i0}} \left( \frac{ku_{e0x}}{\omega_{ce}} \right) \left[ 1 + \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{2\alpha_e \alpha_{ez}} \left( \frac{kv_{te}^\parallel}{\omega_{ce}} \right)^2 \right], \quad (57)$$

$$\alpha_{ey} = \alpha_e - \frac{1}{\alpha_e} \left( \frac{\epsilon}{k} \right) \frac{T_{e0}^\perp}{T_{e0}^\perp + T_{i0}} \left( \frac{ku_{e0x}}{\omega_{ce}} \right) \left[ 1 + \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{2\alpha_e \alpha_{ez}} \left( \frac{kv_{te}^\parallel}{\omega_{ce}} \right)^2 \right], \quad (58)$$

$$A_{ey} = \frac{E_{1y}}{B_0} - \frac{k}{\omega} \frac{(u_{e0x} \sin \theta + u_{e0z} \cos \theta) E_{1y}}{B_0}, \quad (59)$$

With Eqns. 51 and 56,  $u_{e1y}$  is given by

$$u_{e1y} = i(C_{yx}^e A_{ex} + C_{yy}^e A_{ey} + iC_{yz}^e A_{ez}), \quad (60)$$

where

$$C_{yx}^e = \left( \gamma_{ey} - \frac{\alpha_{ex} \alpha_{ey}}{\gamma_{ex}} \right)^{-1}, \quad (61)$$

$$C_{yy}^e = C_{yx}^e \frac{\alpha_{ex}}{\gamma_{ex}}, \quad (62)$$

$$C_{yz}^e = C_{yx}^e \left[ \frac{\sin \theta \cos \theta}{2\alpha_e \alpha_{ez}} \left( \frac{kv_{te}^\perp}{\omega_{ce}} \right)^2 + \frac{\alpha_{ex} \cos \theta}{\gamma_{ex} \alpha_e \alpha_{ez}} \left( \frac{T_{e0}^\perp}{T_{e0}^\perp + T_{i0}} \frac{ku_{e0x}}{\omega_{ce}} \right) \right]. \quad (63)$$

Similarly,  $u_{e1x}$  is given by

$$u_{e1x} = iC_{xx}^e A_{ex} + C_{xy}^e A_{ey} + iC_{xz}^e A_{ez}, \quad (64)$$

where

$$C_{xy}^e = \left( \gamma_{ex} - \frac{\alpha_{ex}\alpha_{ey}}{\gamma_{ey}} \right)^{-1}, \quad (65)$$

$$C_{xx}^e = C_{xy}^e \frac{\alpha_{ey}}{\gamma_{ey}}, \quad (66)$$

$$C_{xz}^e = C_{xy}^e \left[ \frac{\cos \theta}{\alpha_e \alpha_{ez}} \left( \frac{T_{e0}^\perp}{T_{e0}^\perp + T_{i0}} \frac{ku_{e0x}}{\omega_{ce}} \right) + \frac{\alpha_{ey} \sin \theta \cos \theta}{2\gamma_{ey} \alpha_s \alpha_{ez}} \left( \frac{kv_{te}^\perp}{\omega_{ce}} \right)^2 \right]. \quad (67)$$

Then,  $u_{s1z}$  can be written as

$$u_{e1z} = iC_{zx}^e A_{ex} + C_{zy}^e A_{ey} + iC_{zz}^e A_{ez}, \quad (68)$$

where

$$C_{zz}^e = -\frac{1}{\alpha_{ez}} + \frac{\cos \theta}{2\alpha_e \alpha_{ez}} \left( \frac{kv_{te}^\parallel}{\omega_{ce}} \right)^2 \left( C_{xz}^e \sin \theta + C_{yz}^e \frac{\epsilon}{k} \right), \quad (69)$$

$$C_{zx}^e = \frac{\cos \theta}{2\alpha_e \alpha_{ez}} \left( \frac{kv_{te}^\parallel}{\omega_{ce}} \right)^2 \left( C_{xx}^e \sin \theta + C_{yx}^e \frac{\epsilon}{k} \right), \quad (70)$$

$$C_{zy}^e = \frac{\cos \theta}{2\alpha_e \alpha_{ez}} \left( \frac{kv_{te}^\parallel}{\omega_{ce}} \right)^2 \left( C_{xy}^e \sin \theta + C_{yy}^e \frac{\epsilon}{k} \right). \quad (71)$$

The final goal is to obtain the perturbed current density of electrons, which is given by  $\mathbf{J}_1^e = -en_{e0}\mathbf{u}_{e1} - e\mathbf{u}_{e0}n_{e1}$ . Thus, an expression for  $n_{e1}$  is required. From Eqns. 34, 60, 64, and 68,  $n_{e1}$  is given by

$$n_{e1} = \frac{kn_{e0}}{\omega - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{e0}} [iC_x'^e A_{ex} + C_y'^e A_{ey} + iC_z'^e A_{ez}], \quad (72)$$

where

$$C_x'^e = C_{xx}^e \sin \theta + C_{yx}^e \epsilon/k + C_{zx}^e \cos \theta, \quad (73)$$

$$C_y'^e = C_{xy}^e \sin \theta + C_{yy}^e \epsilon/k + C_{zy}^e \cos \theta, \quad (74)$$

$$C_z'^e = C_{xz}^e \sin \theta + C_{yz}^e \epsilon/k + C_{zz}^e \cos \theta. \quad (75)$$

Now we are ready for computing the dispersion relation. Eqn. 31 is

$$k_\parallel^2 E_{1x} - k_\perp k_\parallel E_{1z} - i\omega \mu_0 J_{1x} = 0, \quad (76)$$

$$k^2 E_{1y} - i\omega \mu_0 J_{1y} = 0, \quad (77)$$

$$k_\perp^2 E_{1z} - k_\perp k_\parallel E_{1x} - i\omega \mu_0 J_{1z} = 0. \quad (78)$$

By multiplying  $d_1^2$ , the above equation can be written as

$$K^2 \cos^2 \theta E_{1x} - K^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta E_{1z} - i\Omega \frac{B_0}{en_0} J_{1x} = 0, \quad (79)$$

$$K^2 E_{1y} - i\Omega \frac{B_0}{en_0} J_{1y} = 0, \quad (80)$$

$$K^2 \sin^2 \theta E_{1z} - K^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta E_{1x} - i\Omega \frac{B_0}{en_0} J_{1z} = 0, \quad (81)$$

where  $K \equiv kd_i$ .

Eqns. 79–81 can be written as

$$\begin{pmatrix} D_{xx} & D_{xy} & D_{xz} \\ D_{yx} & D_{yy} & D_{yz} \\ D_{zx} & D_{zy} & D_{zz} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} E_{1x} \\ E_{1y} \\ E_{1z} \end{pmatrix} = 0. \quad (82)$$

From Eqn. 32, each component of  $i\Omega B_0 \mathbf{J}_{i1}/en_0$  is

$$\frac{i\Omega B_0}{en_0} J_{i1x} = \zeta Z E_{1x} + \frac{\zeta Z'' \sin \theta}{2} \left( E_{1x} \sin \theta - i \frac{\epsilon}{k} E_{1y} + E_{1z} \cos \theta \right), \quad (83)$$

$$\frac{i\Omega B_0}{en_0} J_{i1y} = \zeta Z E_{1y}, \quad (84)$$

$$\frac{i\Omega B_0}{en_0} J_{i1z} = \zeta Z E_{1z} + \frac{\zeta Z'' \cos \theta}{2} \left( E_{1x} \sin \theta - i \frac{\epsilon}{k} E_{1y} + E_{1z} \cos \theta \right). \quad (85)$$

From Eqns. 64 and 72,  $i\Omega J_{1x}^e/en_0$  is given by

$$\frac{i\Omega B_0}{en_0} J_{1x}^e = \Omega B_0 \left[ (C_{xx}^e + u_{e0x} C_k^e C_x'^e) A_{ex} - i (C_{xy}^e + u_{e0x} C_k^e C_y'^e) A_{ey} + (C_{xz}^e + u_{e0x} C_k^e C_z'^e) A_{ez} \right], \quad (86)$$

where  $C_k^e = K/(\Omega - \mathbf{K} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{e0})$  and  $\mathbf{u}_{e0} = \mathbf{u}_{e0}/V_A$ . Here  $V_A = B_0/\sqrt{\mu_0 m_i n_0} = d_i \omega_{ci}$  is the Alfvén speed. Similarly, from Eqns. 68 and 72,  $i\Omega J_{1z}^e/en_0$  is given by

$$\frac{i\Omega B_0}{en_0} J_{1z}^e = \Omega B_0 \left[ (C_{zx}^e + u_{e0z} C_k^e C_x'^e) A_{ex} - i (C_{zy}^e + u_{e0z} C_k^e C_y'^e) A_{ey} + (C_{zz}^e + u_{e0z} C_k^e C_z'^e) A_{ez} \right], \quad (87)$$

Since there is no  $y$  component in  $\mathbf{u}_{e0}$ ,  $i\Omega J_{1y}^e/en_0$  is simply

$$\frac{i\Omega B_0}{en_0} J_{1y}^e = \Omega B_0 (i C_{yx}^e A_{ex} + C_{yy}^e A_{ey} + i C_{yz}^e A_{ez}). \quad (88)$$

In terms of dimensionless parameters,  $\Omega B_0 A_{ex}$ ,  $\Omega B_0 A_{ey}$ , and  $\Omega B_0 A_{ez}$  can be written as

$$\Omega B_0 A_{ex} = (\Omega - Ku_{e0z} \cos \theta) E_{1x} + (Ku_{e0z} \sin \theta) E_{1z}, \quad (89)$$

$$\Omega B_0 A_{ey} = [Ku_{e0z} \cos \theta - K(u_{e0x} \sin \theta + u_{e0z} \cos \theta)] E_{1y}, \quad (90)$$

$$\Omega B_0 A_{ez} = (Ku_{e0x} \cos \theta) E_{1x} + (\Omega - Ku_{e0x} \sin \theta) E_{1z}. \quad (91)$$

Then, each component of the tensor  $\mathbf{D}$  is

$$D_{xx} = K^2 \cos^2 \theta - \zeta Z - \frac{\zeta Z''}{2} \sin^2 \theta \quad (92)$$

$$- [(C_{xx}^e + u_{e0x} C_k^e C_x'^e) (\Omega - Ku_{e0z} \cos \theta) + (C_{xz}^e + u_{e0x} C_k^e C_z'^e) Ku_{e0x} \cos \theta],$$

$$D_{xy} = i \left( \frac{\epsilon}{k} \right) \frac{\zeta Z''}{2} \sin \theta + (C_{xy}^e + u_{e0x} C_k^e C_y'^e) [\Omega - K(u_{e0x} \sin \theta + u_{e0z} \cos \theta)], \quad (93)$$

$$D_{xz} = -K^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta - \frac{\zeta Z''}{2} \sin \theta \cos \theta \quad (94)$$

$$- [(C_{xx}^e + u_{e0x} C_k^e C_x'^e) Ku_{e0z} \sin \theta + (C_{xz}^e + u_{e0x} C_k^e C_z'^e) (\Omega - Ku_{e0x} \sin \theta)],$$

$$D_{yx} = -i [C_{yx}^e (\Omega - Ku_{e0z} \cos \theta) + C_{yz}^e Ku_{e0x} \cos \theta], \quad (95)$$

$$D_{yy} = K^2 - \zeta Z - C_{yy}^e [\Omega - K(u_{e0x} \sin \theta + u_{e0z} \cos \theta)], \quad (96)$$

$$D_{yz} = -i [C_{yx}^e Ku_{e0z} \sin \theta + C_{yz}^e (\Omega - Ku_{e0x} \sin \theta)], \quad (97)$$

$$D_{zx} = -K^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta - \frac{\zeta Z''}{2} \sin \theta \cos \theta \quad (98)$$

$$- [(C_{zx}^e + u_{e0z} C_k^e C_x'^e) (\Omega - Ku_{e0z} \cos \theta) + (C_{zz}^e + u_{e0z} C_k^e C_z'^e) Ku_{e0x} \cos \theta],$$

$$D_{zy} = i \left( \frac{\epsilon}{k} \right) \frac{\zeta Z''}{2} \cos \theta + i (C_{zy}^e + u_{e0z} C_k^e C_y'^e) [\Omega - K(u_{e0x} \sin \theta + u_{e0z} \cos \theta)], \quad (99)$$

$$D_{zz} = K^2 \sin^2 \theta - \zeta Z - \frac{\zeta Z''}{2} \cos^2 \theta \quad (100)$$

$$- [(C_{zz}^e + u_{e0z} C_k^e C_z'^e) Ku_{e0z} \sin \theta + (C_{zz}^e + u_{e0z} C_k^e C_z'^e) (\Omega - Ku_{e0x} \sin \theta)].$$

Required input plasma parameters for the dispersion relation include  $B_0$ ,  $n_0$ ,  $T_{e0}^\parallel$ ,  $T_{e0}^\perp$ ,  $T_{i0}$ , and  $\mathbf{u}_{e0}$ . For  $\mathbf{u}_{e0}$ , the coordinate transform from the  $LMN$  to local  $xyz$  coordinate system is needed. The  $z$  direction is along  $\mathbf{B}_0$  and the  $y$  direction is along  $\mathbf{B}_0 \times$

$\mathbf{u}_{e0}$ . The choice of the gradient ( $y$ ) direction is based on the model geometry where there is no  $y$  component of  $\mathbf{u}_{e0}$ , and based on the MHD equilibrium,  $\nabla p = \mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{J}$ , which also indicates no  $y$  component of  $\mathbf{u}_{e0}$ .

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