



Plasama Instability

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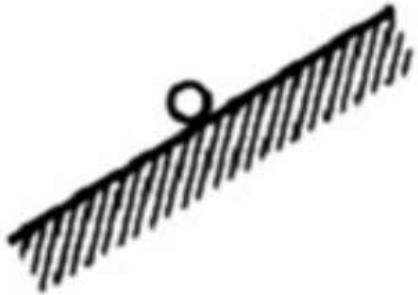
- **Not everything I said is included in the slides.**
- **Please pay attention to the lectures and catch the most essential points.**
- **Form your own opinions and thoughts.**
- **Should ask questions.**
- **During the meeting let us exchange ideas about the lecture.**



Outline

- **Difference Between Equilibrium & Stability**
- **Concept of β**
- **Classification of Instabilities**
- **Two Stream Instability**
- **Tutorial with Mathematica**

Equilibrium & Stability



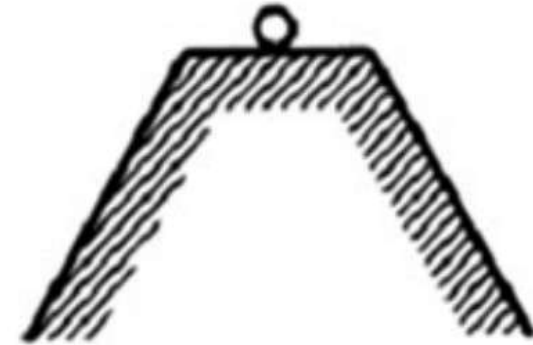
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NO EQUILIBRIUM



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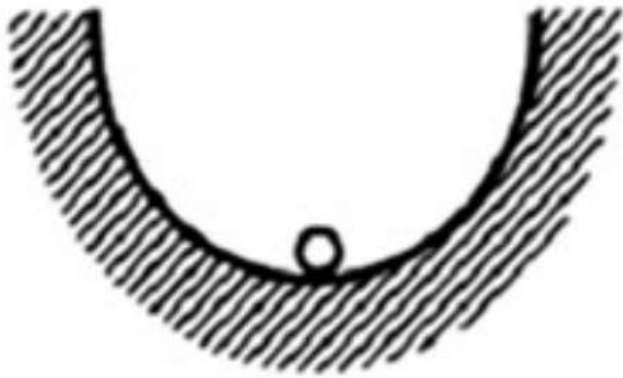
NEUTRALLY STABLE



C

(METASTABLE)
EQUILIBRIUM

Equilibrium & Stability, cont.



D

STABLE EQUILIBRIUM



E

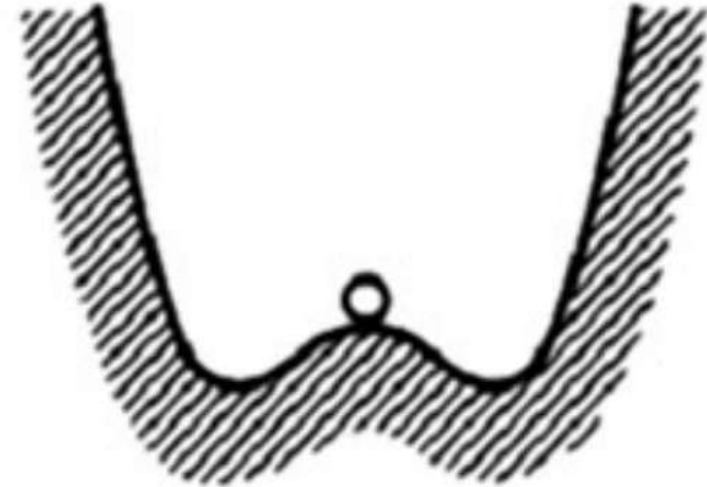
UNSTABLE EQUILIBRIUM

Equilibrium & Stability, cont.



F

EQUILIBRIUM WITH LINEAR
STABILITY AND NONLINEAR
INSTABILITY



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EQUILIBRIUM WITH
LINEAR INSTABILITY
AND NONLINEAR
STABILITY

Concept of β

- Let us go to the whiteboard



Concept of β

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From Newton's Law

$$m \frac{dV}{dt} = F \quad \text{for one particle}$$

$$m n \frac{dV}{dt} = n F \quad \text{for } n \text{ particles}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + v \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$

For ions

$$M n \left[\frac{\partial v_i}{\partial t} + v_i \frac{\partial v_i}{\partial x} \right] = en(E + v_i \times B) - \nabla P_i + Mng \quad (1)$$

For electrons

$$m n \left[\frac{\partial v_e}{\partial t} + v_e \frac{\partial v_e}{\partial x} \right] = -en(E + v_e \times B) - \nabla P_e + mng \quad (2)$$

Add $1 + 2$

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$$n \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (Mv_i + mv_e) = en(v_i - v_e) \times B - \nabla(P_i + P_e) + n(M+m)g \rightarrow (3)$$

Let $P = P_i + P_e$, $n_i \approx n_e = n$

mass density $\rho = n_i M + n_e m \approx n(M+m)$

$$n_i M v_i + n_e m v_e = n(M v_i + m v_e)$$

let that $v_i \sim v_e = v$

$$\approx n v (M+m) = \rho v$$

$$\leftrightarrow 1.2 + 1.3 = 2.5 \approx 2.4$$

$$1.3 - 1.2 = 0.1$$

\leftrightarrow

Eq. (3)

$$\rho \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} = j \times B - \nabla P + \rho g \rightarrow (4)$$

At steady state ($\frac{\partial}{\partial t} = 0$) and $g = 0$

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$$\bar{\nabla} P = \bar{j} \times \bar{B}$$

But $\bar{\nabla} \times \bar{B} = \mu_0 \bar{j}$

$$\bar{\nabla} P = \frac{1}{\mu_0} (\bar{\nabla} \times \bar{B}) \times \bar{B}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\mu_0} \left[(\bar{B} \cdot \bar{\nabla}) \bar{B} - \frac{1}{2} \bar{\nabla} B^2 \right]$$

$$\nabla \left(P + \frac{B^2}{2\mu_0} \right) = \frac{1}{\mu_0} (\bar{B} \cdot \bar{\nabla}) \bar{B} \downarrow = \text{Zero}$$

$$\therefore P + \frac{B^2}{2\mu_0} = \text{const.}$$

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thermal pressure

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magnetic field pressure

$$\beta = \frac{\text{Particle Pressure}}{\text{Mag. field Pressure}}$$

$$\beta = \frac{\sum n k_B T}{B^2 / 2\mu_0} \begin{cases} \text{high} \rightarrow \text{space} \\ \text{low} \rightarrow \text{fusion} \\ < 0.1 \end{cases}$$

Types of Instabilities

- **Streaming instabilities**
- **Rayleigh–Taylor instabilities**
- **Kelvin-Helmholtz instability**
- **Universal instabilities**
- **Kinetic instabilities**
- **Gravitational Instability**
- **Resistive Drift Waves**
- **Weibel Instability**

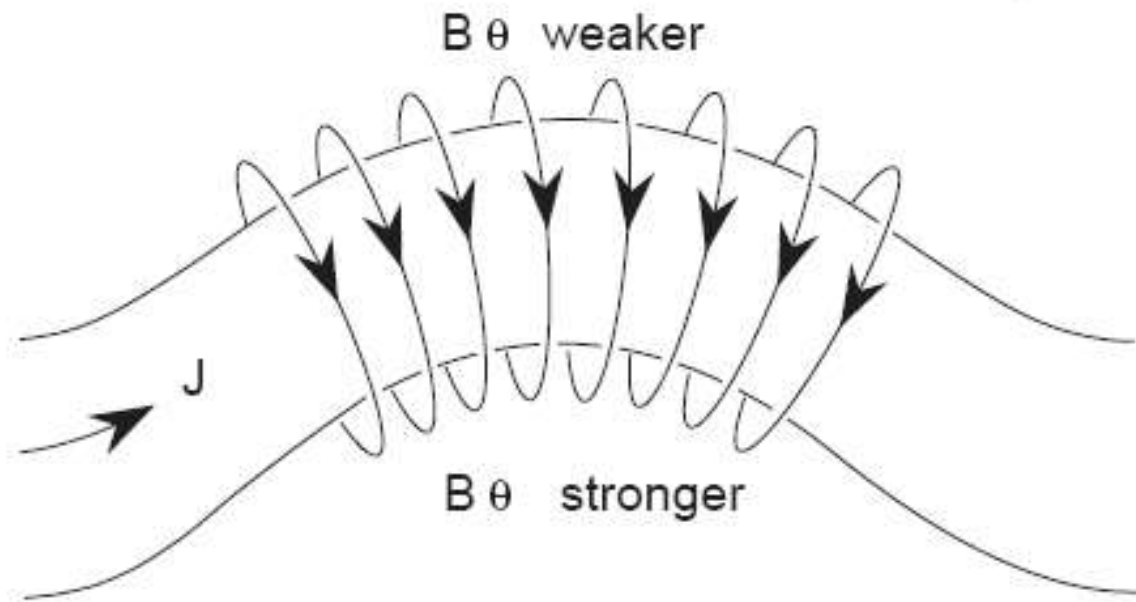
Types of Instabilities, cont.

Tokamak Instabilities

- **Kink instabilities**
- **Tearing mode**
- **Sawteeth**
- **Ballooning**
- **Fishbones**
- **Resistive wall mode**
- **Microinstabilities e.g. due to Ion/Electron Temperature Gradient driven mode OR Trapped Electron Mode**

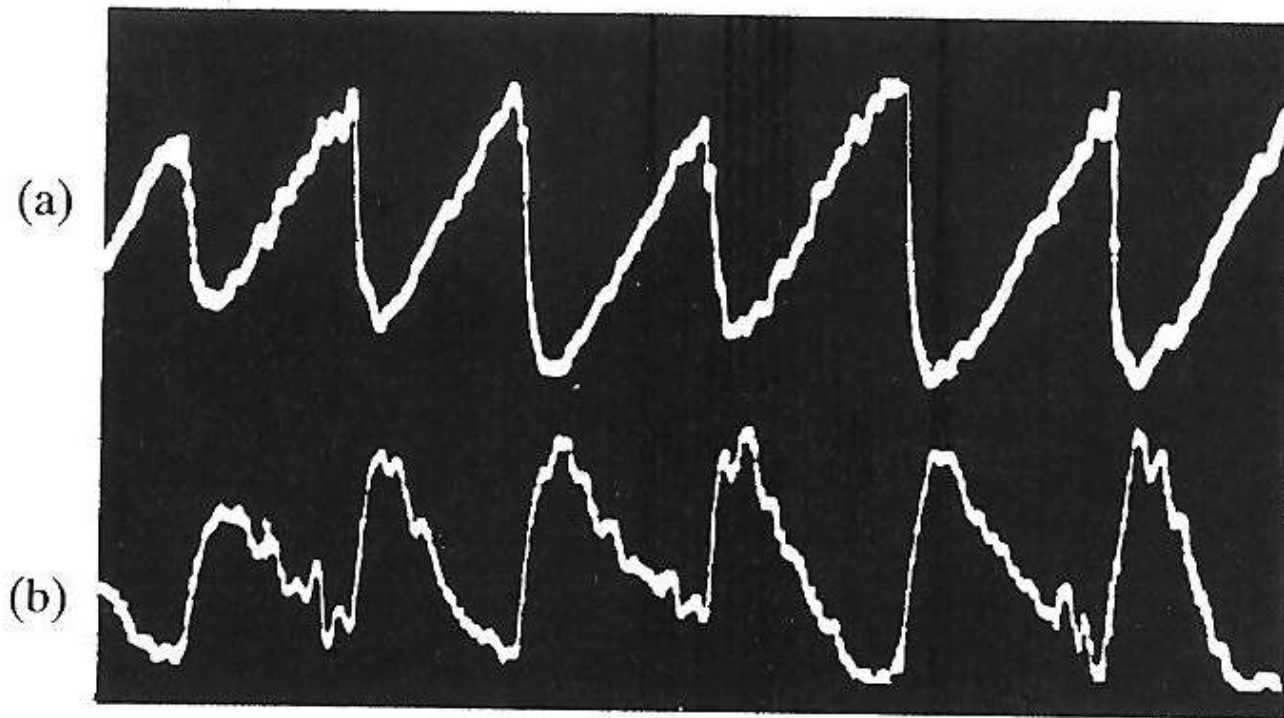
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- **Kink instability**



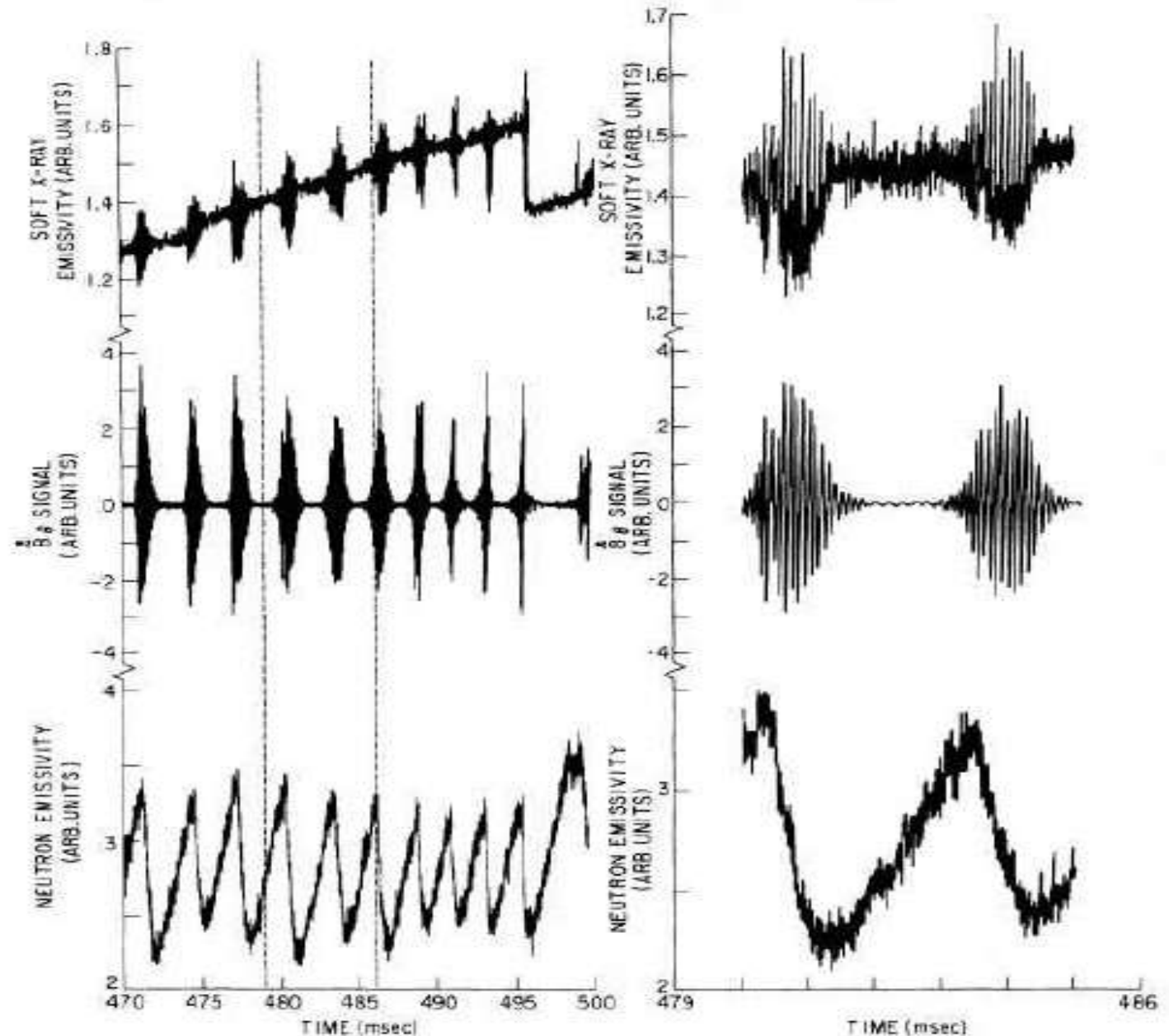
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- Sawteeth



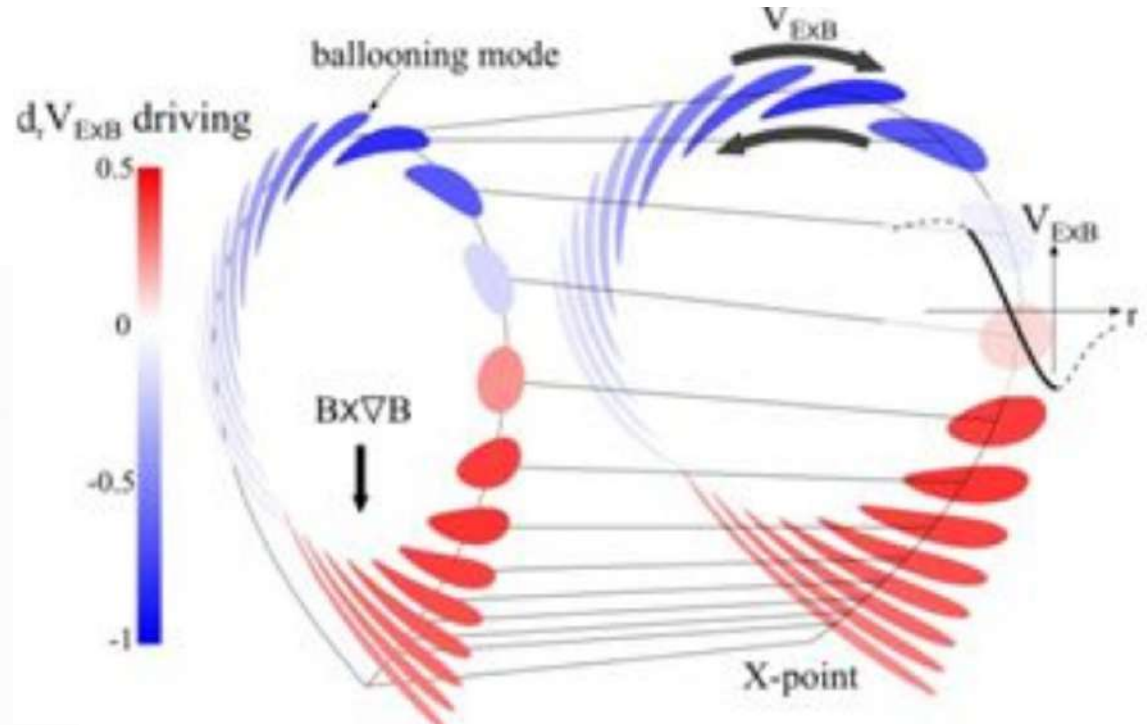
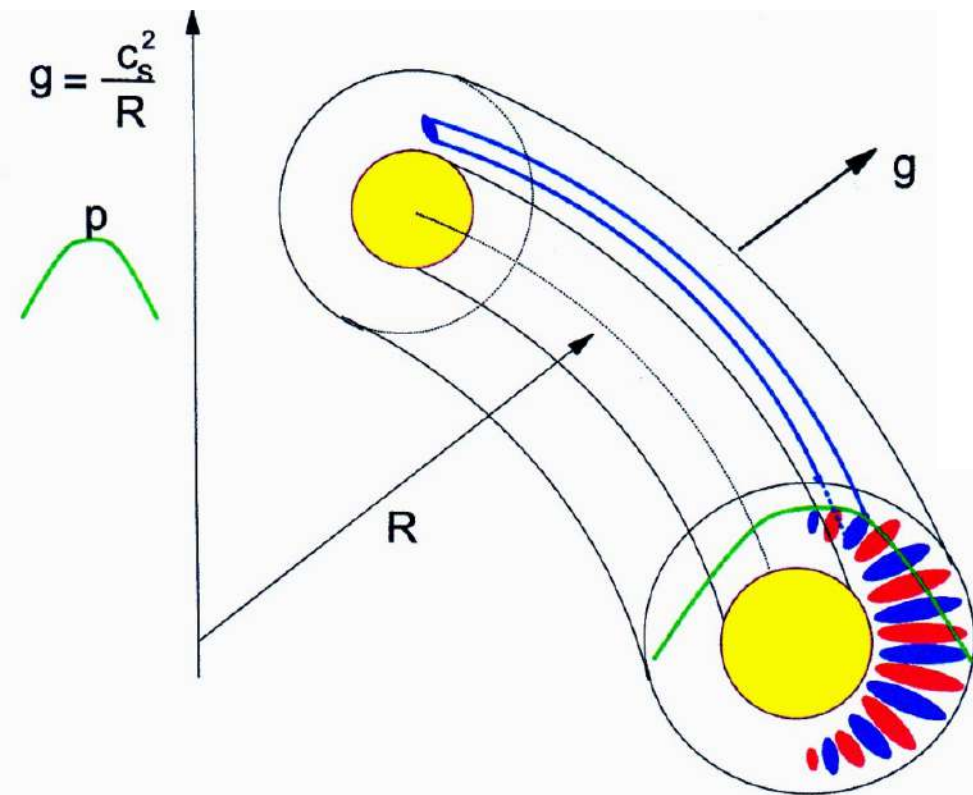
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- Fishbone



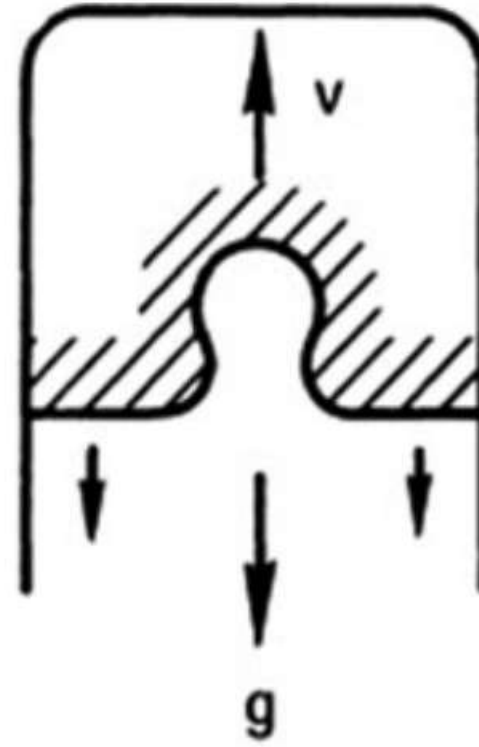
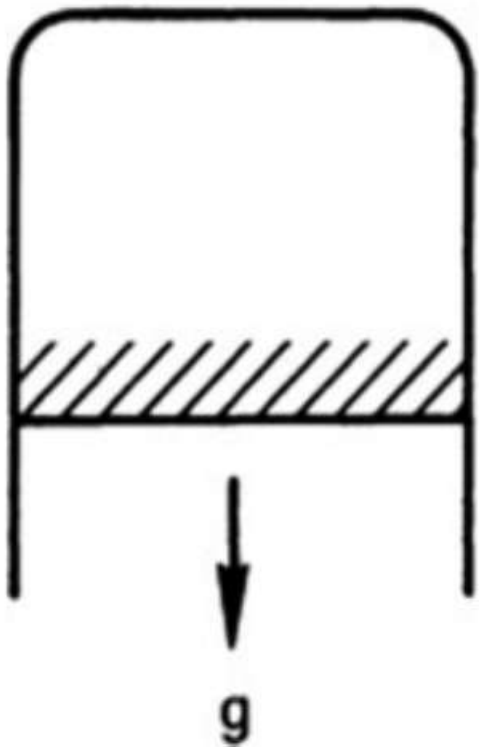
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- **Balloning**



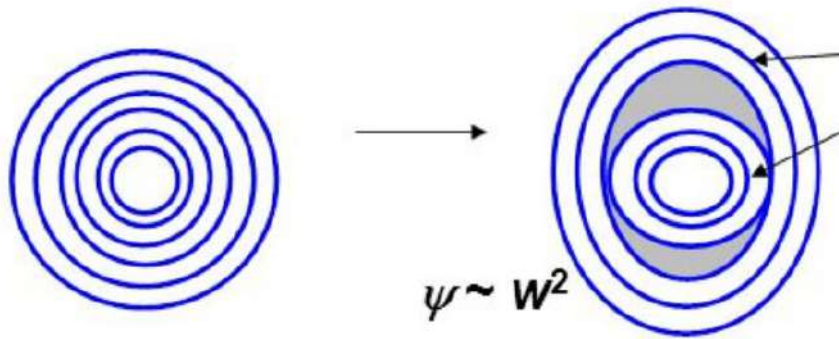
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- Rayleigh-Taylor

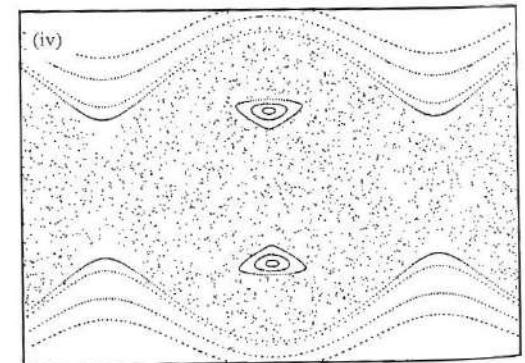
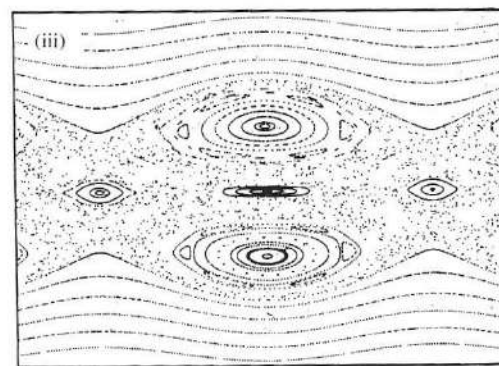
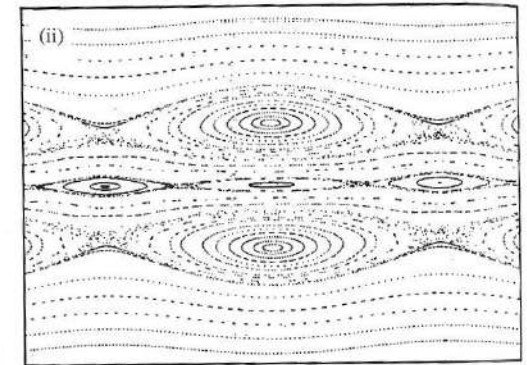
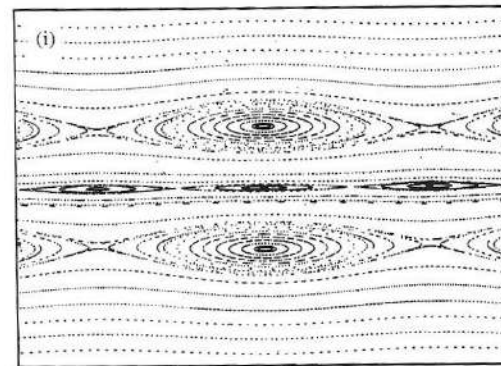
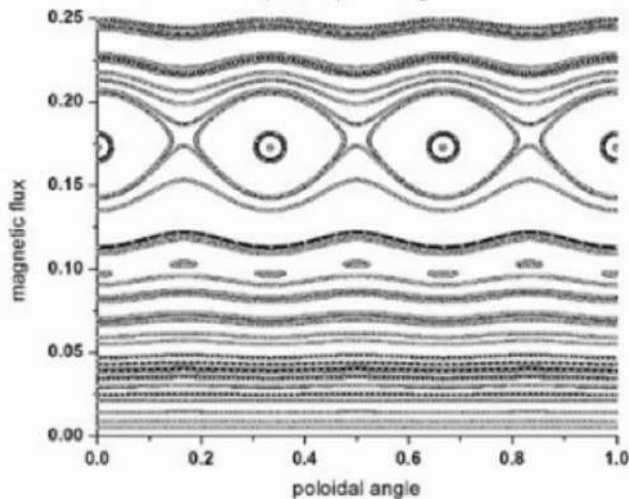
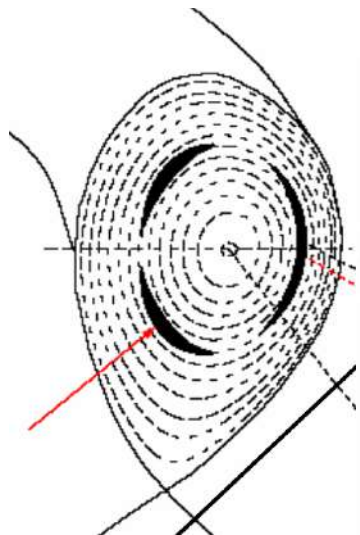


Types of Instabilities, cont.

- Tearing



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Types of Instabilities, cont.

- **Two Stream Instability**

Two Stream Instability

- Let us go to the whiteboard



Two-Stream Instability

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Let us we have ions and electrons move with initial velocity v_0 , while ions do not have initial velocity

Eq. (1) becomes

$$M n_0 \frac{\partial \bar{v}_{ii}}{\partial t} = e n_0 \bar{E}_1$$

$$\begin{aligned} n_e &= n_0 + n_{e1} \\ n_i &= n_0 + n_{i1} \\ v_e &= v_0 + v_{e1} \\ v_i &= 0 + v_{i1} \end{aligned}$$

Eq. (2)

$$m n_0 \left[\frac{\partial \bar{v}_{e1}}{\partial t} + (\bar{v}_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial x}) \bar{v}_{e1} \right] = -e n_0 \bar{E}_1$$

$$\bar{E}_1 = E e^{i(kx - \omega t)} \hat{x}$$

Eq. (1)

$$-i\omega M n_0 \bar{v}_{ii} = e n_0 \bar{E}_1$$

$$\bar{v}_{ii} = \frac{ie}{M\omega} E \hat{x}$$

Eq. (2)

(5)

$$m n_0 (-i\omega + i k v_0) \bar{v}_{e1} = -e n_0 \bar{E}_1$$

$$\bar{v}_{e1} = \frac{-ie}{m} \frac{E \hat{x}}{\omega - k v_0}$$

We need another eq. for v_{e1} , v_{i1} and $E \hat{x}$ to use Gauss Law

$$\epsilon_0 \nabla \cdot \bar{E}_1 = e (n_{i1} - n_{e1}) \quad (5)$$

So, we use continuity eq. for ions

$$\frac{\partial n_i}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} n_i v_i = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial n_{i1}}{\partial t} + n_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} v_{i1} = 0$$

$$n_{i1} = \frac{k}{\omega} n_0 v_{i1} = \frac{i e n_0 k}{M \omega^2} E \quad (5)$$

Now, continuity eq. for electrons

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$$\frac{\partial n_e}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} n_e v_e = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial n_{e1}}{\partial t} + n_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} v_{e1} + v_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} n_{e1} = 0$$

$$(-i\omega + ikv_0) n_{e1} + ikn_0 v_{e1} = 0$$

$$n_{e1} = \frac{kn_0}{\omega - kv_0} v_{e1}$$

$$n_{e1} = \frac{iek n_0}{m(\omega - kv_0)} E \quad \text{--- (7)}$$

Eq. (5)

$$\epsilon_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} E_1 = e(n_{i1} - n_{e1})$$

$$ik\epsilon_0 E = e(ien_0 k E) \left[\frac{1}{M\omega^2} + \frac{1}{m(\omega - kv_0)^2} \right]$$

$$1 = \frac{e^2 n_0}{\epsilon_0 m} \left[\frac{m/M}{\omega^2} + \frac{1}{(\omega - kv_0)^2} \right]$$

$$1 = \omega_p^2 \left[\frac{m/M}{\omega^2} + \frac{1}{(\omega - kV_0)^2} \right] \quad (7)$$

$$1 = \frac{m/M}{\left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_p}\right)^2} + \frac{1}{\left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_p} - \frac{kV_0}{\omega_p}\right)^2}$$

$$1 = \frac{m/M}{X^2} + \frac{1}{(X - Y)^2} \equiv F(X, Y) \rightarrow (8)$$

Solving last eq. we have an overview about the plasma instability. Note that:

- ① Eq. 8 has four roots
- ② Finding these roots \Rightarrow instability
- ③ These roots can be real or imaginary
- ④ Why this is important

$$\bar{E}_1 = \bar{E} e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$$

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Solving eq. 8 for ω , we have the following:

$$\omega \longrightarrow + \text{Real}$$

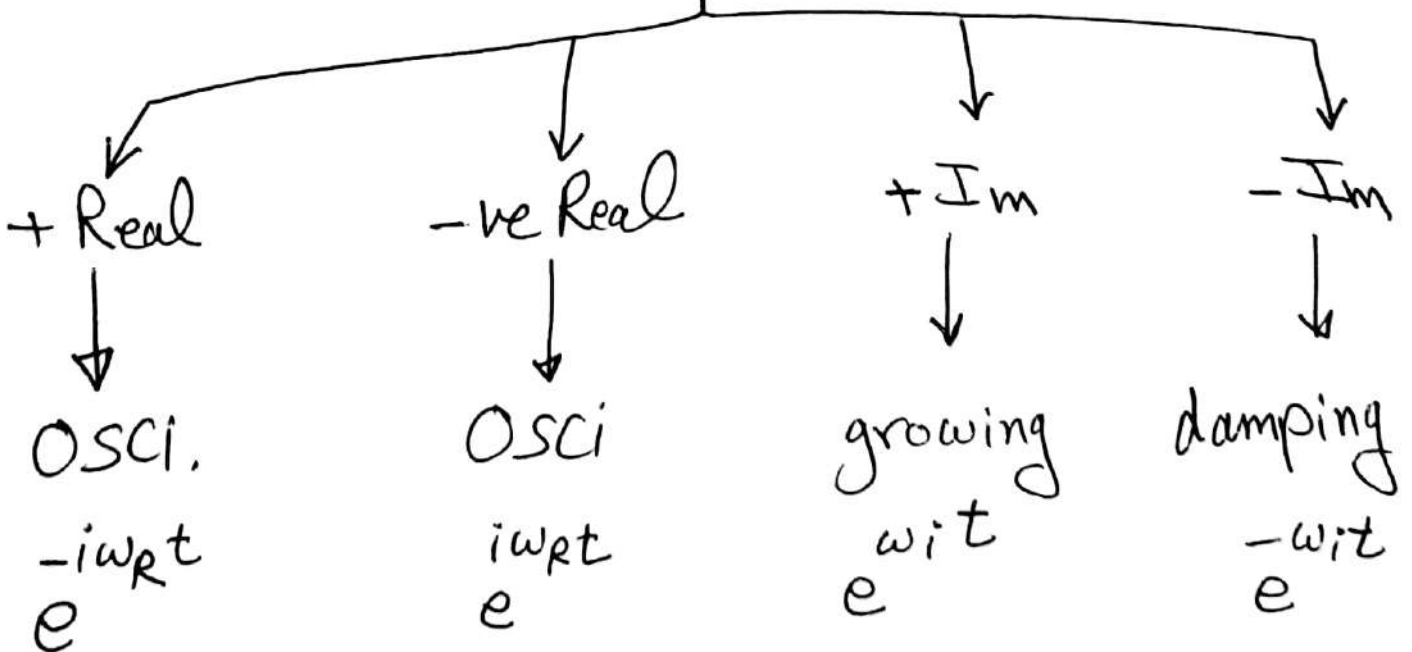
$$\omega \longrightarrow - \text{Real}$$

$$\omega \longrightarrow + \text{Im}$$

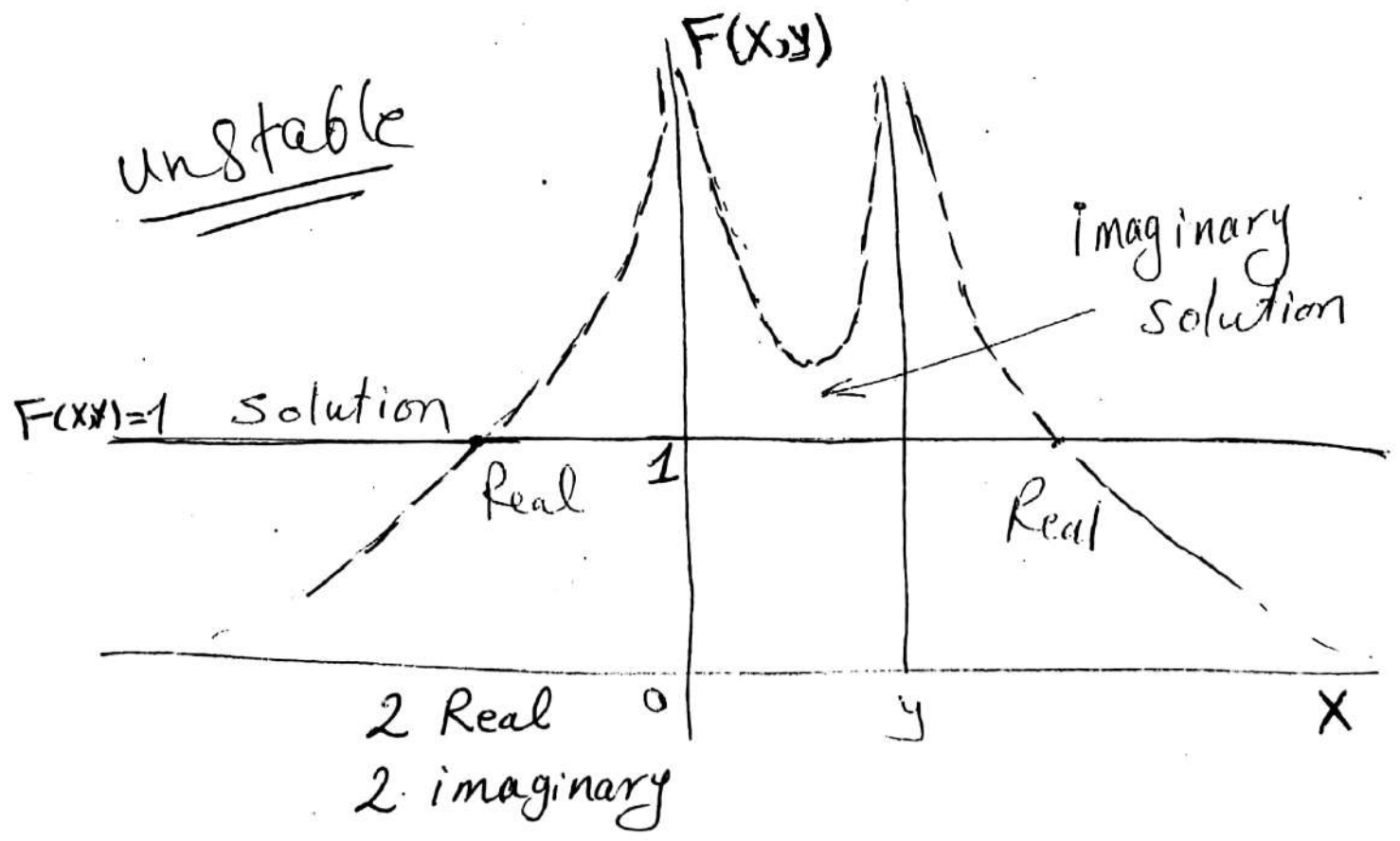
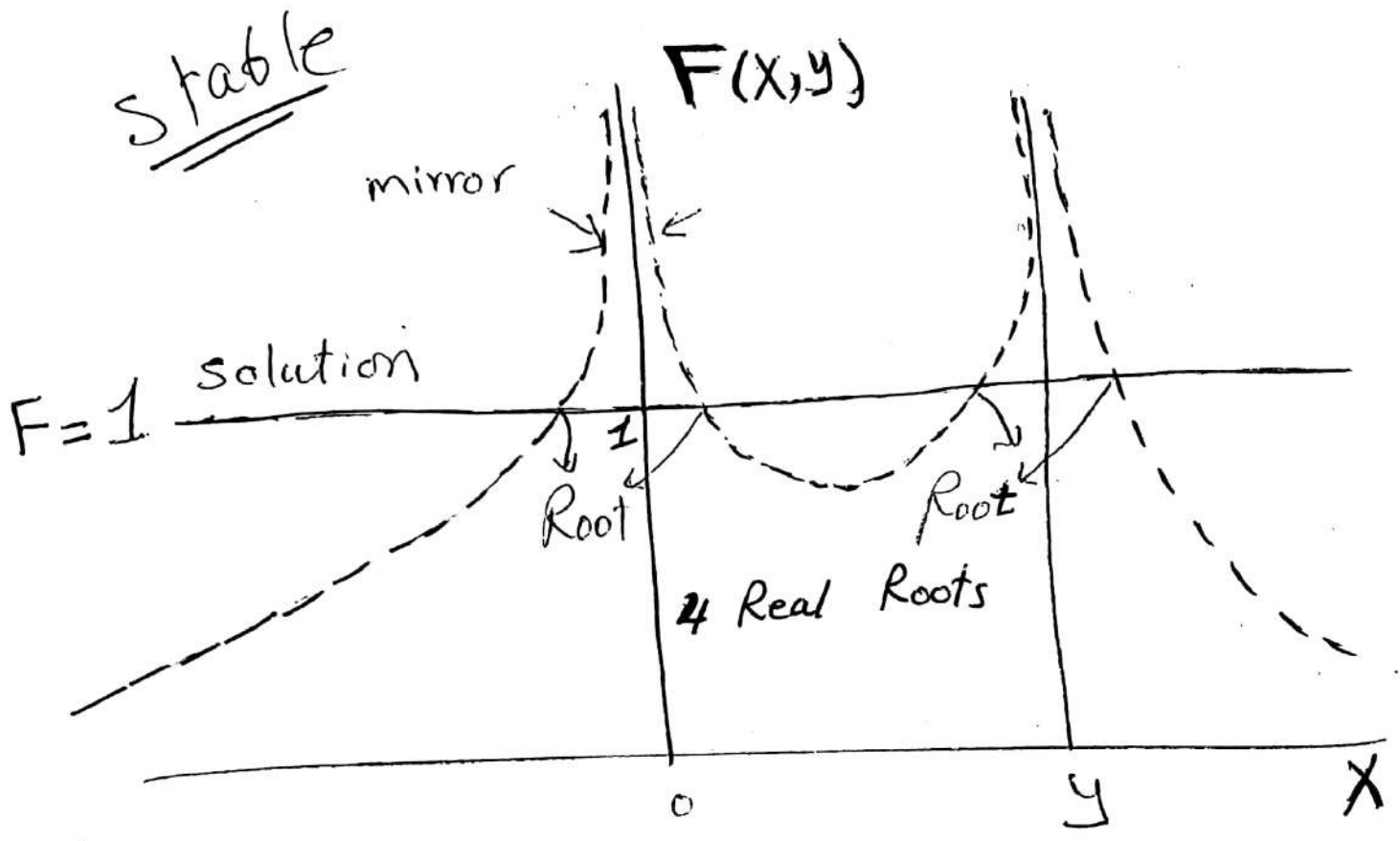
$$\omega \longrightarrow - \text{Im}$$

$$\bar{E}_1 = \bar{E} e^{ikx} e^{-i\omega t}$$

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$$I = \frac{m/M}{X^2} + \frac{1}{(X-y)^2} \equiv F(X,y)$$



1- Show that the dispersion relation for electrostatic oscillation in a plasma with n beams can be written as

$$1 = 4\pi e^2 \sum_j \frac{N_j z_j^2}{m_j (\omega - k V_{0j})^2}$$

where N_j , m_j , V_{0j} represent the density, mass and streaming velocity for the j th beam.

2- Find the solution for the dispersion relation given ~~by~~ in problem 1 for the case of two electron beams of equal strength. Show that the maximum growth rate of the instability is found

to be $\text{Im}(\omega) = \frac{2\omega_e}{\sqrt{2}}$

where

$$\omega_e^2 = 4\pi e^2 \left(\frac{N_e z_e^2}{m_e} \right)$$

$$= 4\pi e^2 \left[\frac{N_1 Z_1^2}{m_1} \frac{1}{(\omega - kV_{01})^2} + \frac{N_2 Z_2^2}{m_2} \frac{1}{(\omega + kV_{02})^2} \right]$$

for two counterstreaming electron beams

$$N_1 = N_2 = N_e, \quad Z_1 = Z_2 = Z_e$$

$$m_1 = m_2 = m_e, \quad V_{01} = V_{02} = V_0$$

$$1 = \frac{4\pi e^2 N_e Z_e^2}{m_e} \left[\frac{1}{(\omega - kV_0)^2} + \frac{1}{(\omega + kV_0)^2} \right]$$

$$1 = \omega_p^2 \left[\frac{(\omega + kV_0)^2 + (\omega - kV_0)^2}{(\omega - kV_0)^2 (\omega + kV_0)^2} \right]$$

$$(\omega^2 - k^2 V_0^2)^2 = 2\omega_p^2 (\omega^2 + k^2 V_0^2)$$

$$\omega^4 - 2\omega^2 k^2 V_0^2 + k^4 V_0^4 = 2\omega_p^2 \omega^2 + 2\omega_p^2 k^2 V_0^2$$

$$\omega^4 - (2k^2 V_0^2 + 2\omega_p^2) \omega^2 + (k^4 V_0^4 - 2\omega_p^2 k^2 V_0^2) = 0$$

$$\omega^4 - b\omega^2 + c = 0$$

$$\omega^2 = \frac{b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4c}}{2}$$

(3)^c

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4c}}{2}}$$

$$\omega_R + i\omega_i = \sqrt{\frac{b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4c}}{2}}$$

To ^{have} study ω_i we should have

$$b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4c} < 0$$

$$\sqrt{b^2 - 4c} > b$$

$$b^2 - 4c > b^2$$

$$-4c > 0$$

$$4(k^4 V_0^4 - 2\omega_t^2 k^2 V_0^2) < 0$$

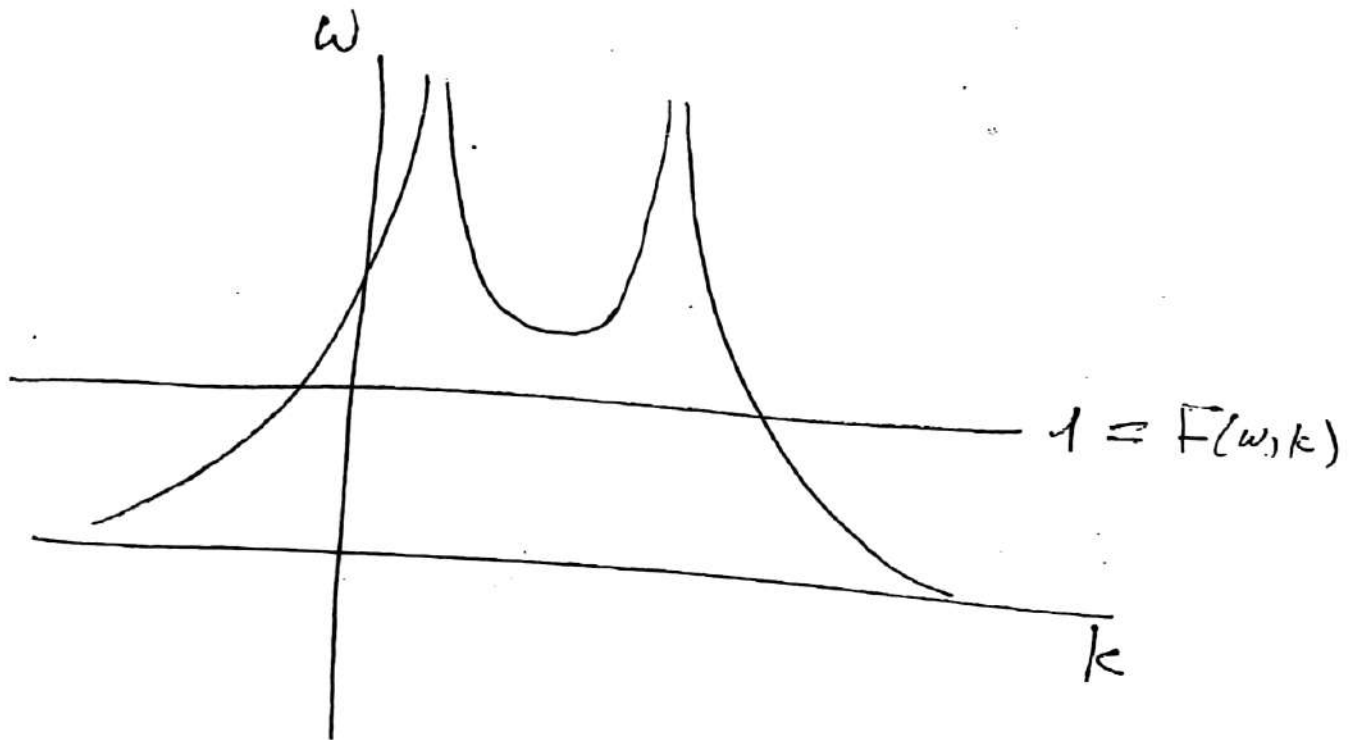
$$4(k^2 V_0^2 - 2\omega_t^2) < 0$$

for small k (i.e. long wavelength)

$$-8\omega_t^2 < 0 \Rightarrow 8\omega_t^2 > 0$$

$$\omega_i = \sqrt{\frac{2\omega_t^2}{2}} = \sqrt{4\omega_t^2} \quad (4)$$

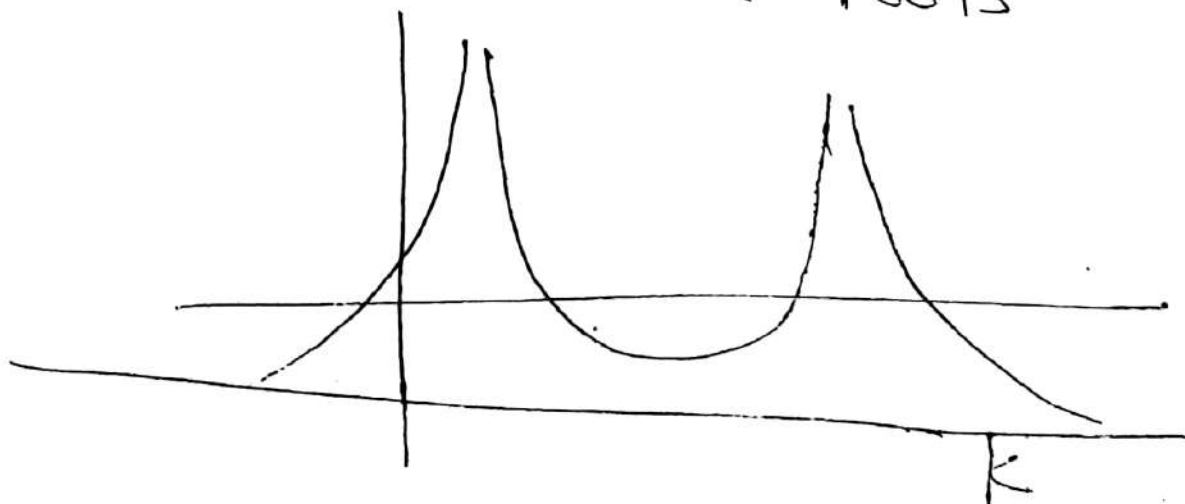
$$\omega_i = 2\omega_t$$



For Large k (i.e. small wavelength).

$$k^2 V_0^2 - 2\omega_t^2 < 0 \quad \text{Cannot be satisfied}$$

we have four real roots



Tutorial with Mathematica

- How to use Mathematica to obtain the following figures...

