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PROGRESS IN THE TWO-FLUID THEORY OF THE TEARING MODE*

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PURPOSE: DERIVE ANALYTIC RESULTS FOR CEMM VERIFICATION TASKS

EXTENDED-MHD EFFECTS ON THE TEARING MODE:

TWO-FLUID HALL (DOES NOT REQUIRE DENSITY OR TEMPERATURE EQUILIBRIUM GRADIENTS).

TWO-FLUID DIAMAGNETIC (WITH INDEPENDENT DENSITY, ION TEMPERATURE AND ELECTRON TEMPERATURE EQUILIBRIUM GRADIENTS).

PARALLEL CLOSURES ($p_{\parallel} - p_{\perp}$ AND q_{\parallel}).

BASIC TWO-FLUID SYSTEM, NEGLECTING PARALLEL CLOSURES:

$$\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (n\mathbf{u}) = 0 ,$$

$$\mathbf{j} = \nabla \times \mathbf{B} ,$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} + \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = 0 ,$$

$$\mathbf{E} = -\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{B} + \frac{1}{en}(\mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{B} - \nabla p_e) + \eta \mathbf{j} ,$$

$$m_i n \left[\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} \right] + \nabla (p_i + p_e) + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{P}_i^{GV} - \mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{B} = 0 ,$$

$$\frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{\partial p_i}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla p_i \right) + \frac{5}{2} p_i \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{q}_{i\perp} = 0 ,$$

$$\frac{3}{2} \left[\frac{\partial p_e}{\partial t} + \left(\mathbf{u} - \frac{1}{en} \mathbf{j} \right) \cdot \nabla p_e \right] + \frac{5}{2} p_e \nabla \cdot \left(\mathbf{u} - \frac{1}{en} \mathbf{j} \right) + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{q}_{e\perp} = 0 .$$

The resistivity, η , will be taken as constant and the ion gyroviscous stress tensor and the diamagnetic perpendicular heat fluxes are:

$$\mathbf{P}_{\iota,jk}^{GV} = \frac{m_{\iota} p_{\iota}}{4eB} \epsilon_{[jlm} b_l \left(\frac{\partial u_n}{\partial x_m} + \frac{\partial u_m}{\partial x_n} \right) (\delta_{nk}] + 3b_n b_k] ,$$

$$\mathbf{q}_{\iota\perp} = \frac{5p_{\iota}}{2eB} \mathbf{b} \times \nabla \left(\frac{p_{\iota}}{n} \right) ,$$

$$\mathbf{q}_{e\perp} = -\frac{5p_e}{2eB} \mathbf{b} \times \nabla \left(\frac{p_e}{n} \right) .$$

EQUILIBRIUM WITH FLOW IN ONE-DIMENSIONAL SLAB GEOMETRY:

$$n_0 = n_0(x)$$

$$p_{i0} = p_{i0}(x)$$

$$p_{e0} = p_{e0}(x)$$

$$\mathbf{u}_0 = \mathbf{u}_0(x) = u_{0y}(x)\mathbf{e}_y + u_{0z}(x)\mathbf{e}_z,$$

$$\mathbf{B}_0 = \mathbf{B}_0(x) = B_{0y}(x)\mathbf{e}_y + B_{0z}(x)\mathbf{e}_z,$$

$$\mathbf{j}_0 = \mathbf{j}_0(x) = -B'_{0z}(x)\mathbf{e}_y + B'_{0y}(x)\mathbf{e}_z.$$

$$\frac{1}{2}B_0^2(x) + p_{e0}(x) + p_{i0}(x) - \frac{m_i p_{i0}(x)}{2eB_0^2(x)}[u'_{0y}(x)B_{0z}(x) - u'_{0z}(x)B_{0y}(x)] = \text{constant} .$$

$$E_{0x}(x) = -u_{0y}(x)B_{0z}(x) + u_{0z}(x)B_{0y}(x) - \frac{1}{en_0(x)}\left[\frac{1}{2}B_0^2(x) + p_{e0}(x)\right]' ,$$

$$E_{0y}(x) = \eta j_{0y}(x) ,$$

$$E_{0z}(x) = \eta j_{0z}(x) ,$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}_0(x)}{\partial t} = -\eta \mathbf{B}_0''(x) \simeq 0 .$$

TWO-FLUID TEARING MODES IN THE ABSENCE OF EQUILIBRIUM FLOW AND DENSITY OR TEMPERATURE GRADIENTS:

Consider the simplest case of a static equilibrium ($\mathbf{u}_0 = 0$) with constant n_0 , p_{e0} and p_{i0} . From equilibrium force balance, the magnitude of the magnetic field B_0 is constant too. No diamagnetic effects, only the two-fluid Hall effect retained.

Sheet pinch equilibrium magnetic field profile:

$$B_{0y}(x) = B_{0y}^{\infty} \tanh\left(\frac{x}{L}\right) ,$$

$$B_{0z}(x) = [B_0^2 - B_{0y}^2(x)]^{1/2} .$$

Linear stability analysis for perturbed quantities independent of z and periodic in y :

$$Q(\mathbf{x}, t) = Q_0(x) + Q_1(x) \exp(iky + \gamma t) .$$

DIMENSIONLESS PARAMETERS OF THE PROBLEM:

$$\epsilon_B = \frac{B_{0y}^\infty}{B_0} ,$$

to be treated as arbitrary.

$$\epsilon_\eta = \frac{\eta k (m_\iota n_0)^{1/2}}{B_{0y}^\infty} = \frac{\eta k (m_\iota n_0)^{1/2}}{\epsilon_B B_0} \ll 1 ,$$

which is the basic expansion parameter.

$$\epsilon_\gamma = \frac{\gamma (m_\iota n_0)^{1/2}}{k B_{0y}^\infty} = \frac{\gamma (m_\iota n_0)^{1/2}}{k \epsilon_B B_0} ,$$

which is the eigenvalue of the problem.

$$kd_\iota = \frac{km_\iota^{1/2}}{en_0^{1/2}} ,$$

to be treated as arbitrary, ranging from the single-fluid limit $kd_\iota \rightarrow 0$ to $kd_\iota = O(1)$.

kL ,

whose allowed range will be such that the normalized instability index,

$$\tilde{\Delta}'(kL) = \frac{\Gamma(1/4)}{2\pi\Gamma(3/4) k^{3/2}L^{1/2}} \frac{B'_{1x}(0+) - B'_{1x}(0-)}{B_{1x}(0)} = \frac{\Gamma(1/4)}{\pi\Gamma(3/4)} [(kL)^{-5/2} - (kL)^{-1/2}] ,$$

is positive and comparable to or less than unity. Only the limit $\tilde{\Delta}'(kL) \gg 1$ is excluded.

$$\beta = \frac{2(p_{e0} + p_{i0})}{B_0^2} ,$$

which will be required to satisfy $\epsilon_\eta^{2/5} \ll \beta \leq 1$. Thus the present analysis excludes the very low or zero beta limits, but covers the regime of interest for magnetic fusion plasmas. Within this range of applicability, and for $\tilde{\Delta}'(kL) \lesssim 1$, our dispersion relation is independent of β .

HALL-TEARING DISPERSION RELATION:

Under the above applicability conditions:

$$f\left(\frac{kd_{\nu}\epsilon_{\gamma}^{1/2}}{\epsilon_{\eta}^{1/2}}\right) \frac{\epsilon_{\gamma}^{5/4}}{\epsilon_{\eta}^{3/4}} = \tilde{\Delta}'(kL) ,$$

or, calling $\tilde{\epsilon}_{\eta} = \epsilon_{\eta}\tilde{\Delta}'^{-2}$ and $\tilde{\epsilon}_{\gamma} = \epsilon_{\gamma}\tilde{\Delta}'^{-2}$:

$$f\left(\frac{kd_{\nu}\tilde{\epsilon}_{\gamma}^{1/2}}{\tilde{\epsilon}_{\eta}^{1/2}}\right) \tilde{\epsilon}_{\gamma}^{5/4} = \tilde{\epsilon}_{\eta}^{3/4} ,$$

where f is the function of a single variable

$$\begin{aligned} f(w) = & \left[1 + \frac{w^2}{2} + \left(w^2 + \frac{w^4}{4}\right)^{1/2}\right]^{-1/4} \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4}\left(\frac{1}{w^2} + \frac{1}{4}\right)^{-1/2}\right] + \\ & + \left[1 + \frac{w^2}{2} - \left(w^2 + \frac{w^4}{4}\right)^{1/2}\right]^{-1/4} \left[\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4}\left(\frac{1}{w^2} + \frac{1}{4}\right)^{-1/2}\right] , \end{aligned}$$

having the asymptotic behaviors $f(w) \rightarrow 1$ for $w \ll 1$ and $f(w) \rightarrow w^{-1/2}$ for $w \gg 1$.

This expression defines implicitly a normalized growth rate of the form:

$$\tilde{\epsilon}_\gamma = F(\tilde{\epsilon}_\eta, kd_\iota)$$

or

$$\epsilon_\gamma = \tilde{\Delta}'^2 F(\epsilon_\eta \tilde{\Delta}'^{-2}, kd_\iota),$$

where F is a function of two variables with the asymptotic behaviors

$$F(v, w) \rightarrow v^{3/5} \text{ for } w \ll v^{1/5} \text{ and } F(v, w) \rightarrow v^{1/2} w^{1/2} \text{ for } w \gg v^{1/5}.$$

Thus,

$$\epsilon_\gamma = \epsilon_\eta^{3/5} \tilde{\Delta}'^{4/5} \quad \text{for} \quad kd_\iota \ll \epsilon_\eta^{1/5} \tilde{\Delta}'^{-2/5}$$

and

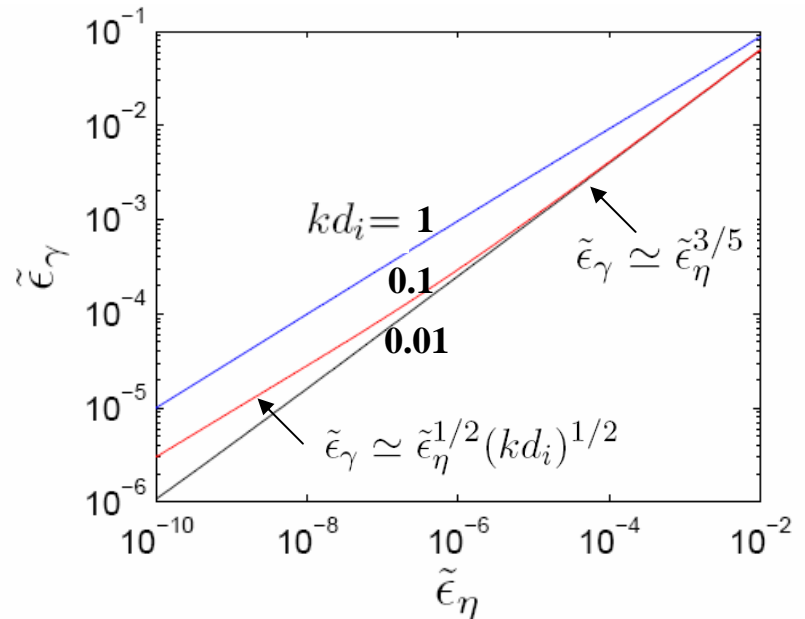
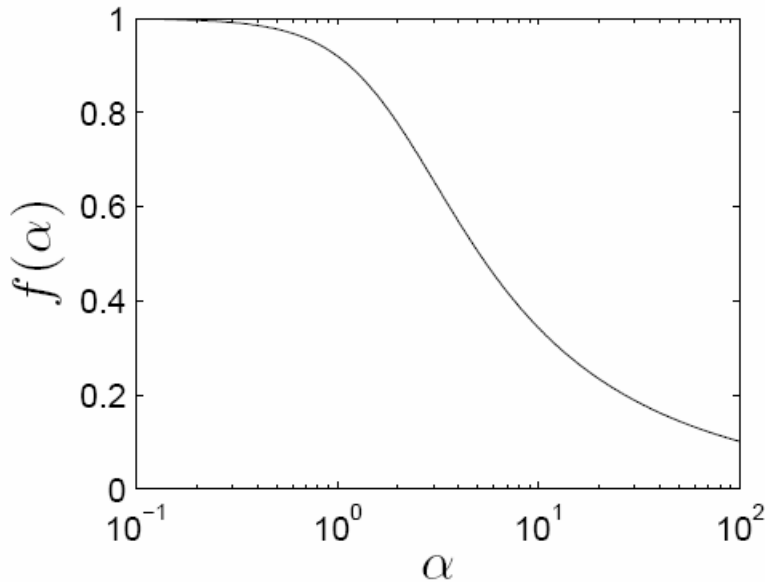
$$\epsilon_\gamma = \epsilon_\eta^{1/2} (kd_\iota)^{1/2} \tilde{\Delta}' \quad \text{for} \quad kd_\iota \gg \epsilon_\eta^{1/5} \tilde{\Delta}'^{-2/5}.$$

ANALYTICAL DISPERSION RELATION

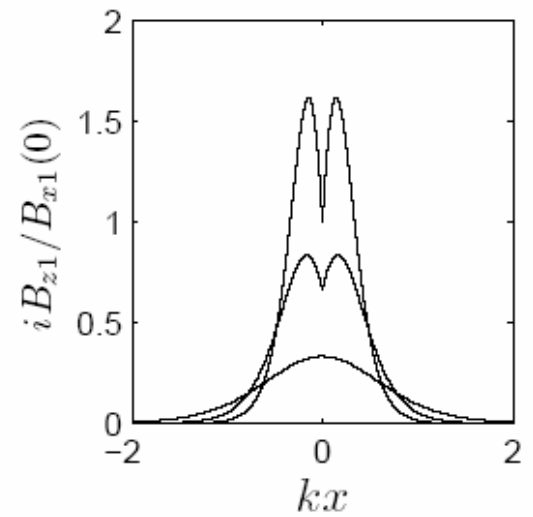
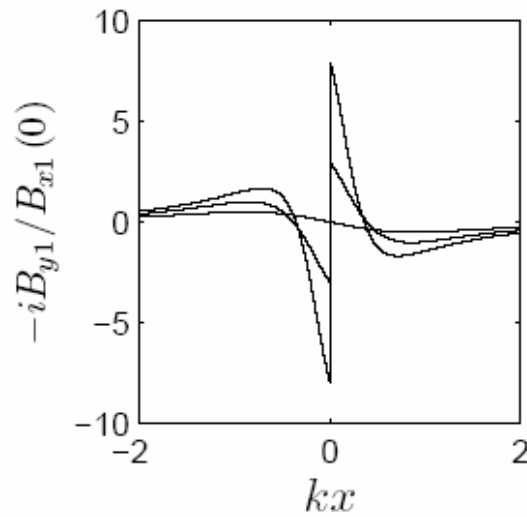
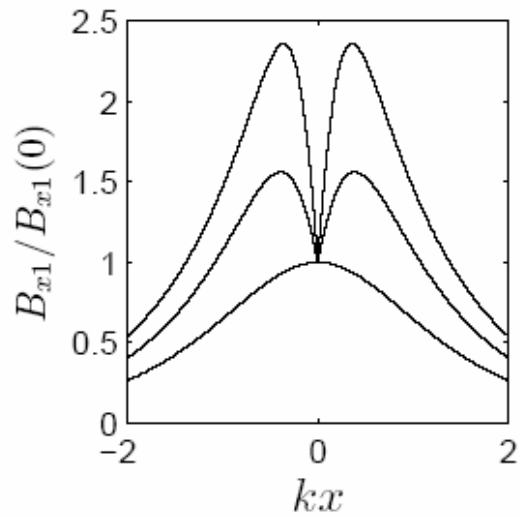
$$\tilde{\epsilon}_\gamma(\tilde{\epsilon}_\eta, kd_i) : \quad \tilde{\epsilon}_\gamma^{5/4} f\left(kd_i \frac{\tilde{\epsilon}_\gamma^{1/2}}{\tilde{\epsilon}_\eta^{1/2}}\right) = \tilde{\epsilon}_\eta^{3/4}$$

$$\tilde{\epsilon}_\eta = \frac{\eta k}{\mu_0 c_A \epsilon_B \tilde{\Delta}'^2} \quad \tilde{\epsilon}_\gamma = \frac{\gamma}{k c_A \epsilon_B \tilde{\Delta}'^2}$$

$$\tilde{\Delta}' \equiv \frac{k^{-1} \Delta'}{C(kL)^{1/2}} \simeq 0.94 \frac{1 - (kL)^2}{(kL)^{5/2}}$$



OUTER REGION NORMAL MODES

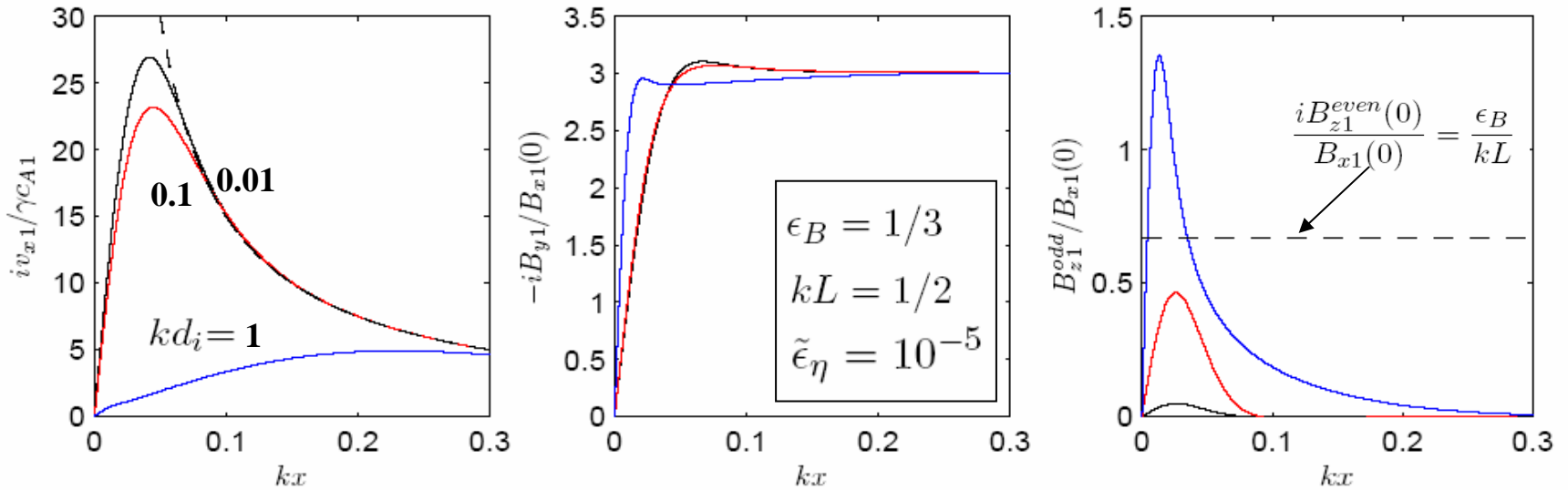


$$\epsilon_B = 1/3$$

$$kL = 1, 1/2, 1/3 \quad \rightarrow \quad \tilde{\Delta}' \simeq 0, 4, 13$$

independent of kd_i

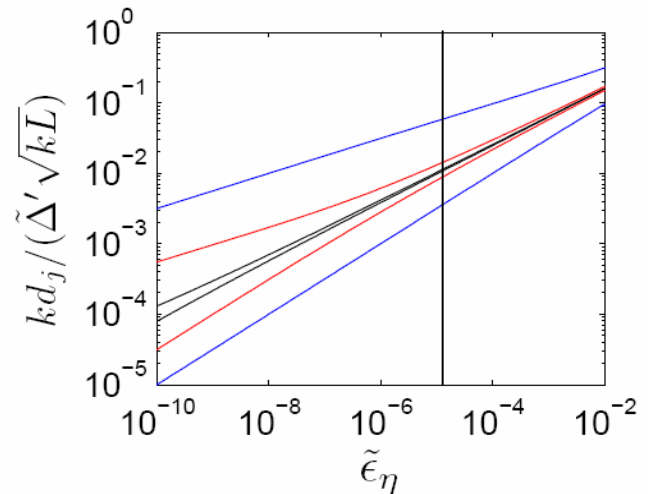
INNER REGION NORMAL MODES



Two well-separated inner regions

for $kd_i/\tilde{\epsilon}_\eta^{1/5} = 10$ (blue case):

- 1) Innermost resistive layer, kd_1
- 2) Intermediate layer, kd_2



BETA EFFECTS

- ϵ_γ not affected by β for $\frac{\beta}{kL\tilde{\Delta}'^2} \gtrsim \tilde{\beta}_c(\tilde{\epsilon}_\eta, kd_i)$ or $kd_i \lesssim \tilde{\epsilon}_\eta^{1/5}$.
- β effects are expected mild.

