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$$f(r, \vec{p}) = \frac{\hat{n}}{(2\pi m T)^{3/2}} \exp\left[-\frac{(H - \Omega p_\theta)}{T}\right]$$

$$a) \langle p_r \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_r f(r, \vec{p}) dp_r dp_\theta dp_z$$

$$\langle p_\theta \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_\theta f(r, \vec{p}) dp_r dp_\theta dp_z$$

$$\langle p_z \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_z f(r, \vec{p}) dp_r dp_\theta dp_z$$

Ω is the frequency of plasma rotation.

b) The factor $H - \Omega p_\theta$ can be rewritten as follows:

$$H - \Omega p_\theta = \frac{1}{2m} (p_r^2 + p_\theta^2 + p_z^2) - \Omega r p_\theta + \frac{\sqrt{2} n_c m \Gamma^2}{2} =$$

completing
the square
in p_θ

$$= \frac{1}{2m} [p_r^2 + p_z^2 + (p_\theta - m r \Omega)^2] + \frac{m \Gamma^2}{2} [\sqrt{2} n_c - \Omega^2] - e\phi(r) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2m} [p_r^2 + p_z^2 + (p_\theta - m r \Omega)^2] + \psi(r)$$

$$\text{Thus, } n(r) = \int f(\vec{p}, r) d^3p =$$

$$= \frac{\hat{n}}{(2\pi m T)^{3/2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{\psi(r)}{T}\right\} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dp_r \exp\left(\frac{-p_r^2}{2mT}\right) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dp_\theta \exp\left(-\frac{(p_\theta - m r \Omega)^2}{2mT}\right) \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dp_z \exp\left(\frac{-p_z^2}{2mT}\right) =$$

$$= \hat{n} \exp\left\{\frac{-\psi(r)}{T}\right\} = n(r); \quad \text{integrals over } p_r, p_\theta, p_\phi$$

cancel the normalization factor $\frac{1}{(2\pi m T)^{3/2}}$

c) Assume that for small r , $n(r) \approx \hat{n}$.

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{d}{dr} \left(r \frac{d\phi}{dr} \right) \approx 4\pi e \hat{n}$$

$$r \frac{d\phi}{dr} = \frac{4\pi e \hat{n} r^2}{2}$$

$$\phi = \frac{4\pi e \hat{n} r^2}{4} = \boxed{\frac{1}{4} \frac{m}{e} \omega_p^2 r^2}$$

d) $n(r) = \hat{n} \exp\left\{\frac{-\psi(r)}{T}\right\}$; For $n(r)$ to be

monotonically decreasing, $\psi(r)$ has to be monotonically increasing;

$$\frac{d\psi}{dr} > 0$$

Taking $\psi(r) \approx \frac{1}{4} \frac{m}{e} \omega_p^2 r^2$,

$$\frac{d\psi}{dr} = m r (\sqrt{2} \omega_c - \omega^2) - \frac{1}{2} m \omega_p^2 r > 0$$

$$\boxed{(\sqrt{2} \omega_c - \omega^2) - \frac{1}{2} \omega_p^2 > 0}$$

$$e) \Omega^2 - \Omega \omega_c + \frac{1}{2} \omega_p^2 < 0$$

$$\left(\Omega - \frac{\omega_c}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{\omega_c^2}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \omega_p^2 < 0$$

$$\left(\Omega - \frac{\omega_c}{2}\right)^2 < \frac{\omega_c^2}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \omega_p^2$$

$$\bullet \text{ Max } \Omega: \left(\Omega - \frac{\omega_c}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{\omega_c^2}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \omega_p^2$$

$$\Omega_{\max} = \sqrt{\frac{\omega_c^2}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \omega_p^2} + \frac{\omega_c}{2}$$

$$\bullet \text{ Min } \Omega: \left(\Omega + \frac{\omega_c}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{\omega_c^2}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \omega_p^2$$

(assume $\Omega < 0$)

$$\Omega_{\min} = -\sqrt{\frac{\omega_c^2}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \omega_p^2} - \frac{\omega_c}{2}$$

$$\left(\frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega_c^2}\right)_{\max} \quad \frac{\omega_c^2}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \omega_p^2 > 0 \rightarrow \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega_c^2} < \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\bullet \text{ when } \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega_c^2} = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \Omega = \frac{\omega_c}{2}$$