

We are looking at small perturbations around some equilibrium state, defined as (subscript 0):

$$\nabla \left( p_0 + \frac{B_0^2}{2\mu_0} \right) - \frac{1}{\mu_0} (\vec{B}_0 \cdot \nabla) \vec{B}_0 = \rho_0 \vec{g}$$

or

$$\nabla p_0 - \vec{J}_0 \times \vec{B}_0 = \rho_0 \vec{g} \quad ; \quad \vec{J}_0 = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \nabla \times \vec{B}_0$$

No energy losses, adiabatic process assumed:

$$p = C \rho^\gamma \quad ; \quad \frac{p}{\rho^\gamma} = C \quad ; \quad \frac{D}{Dt} \left( \frac{p}{\rho^\gamma} \right) = 0$$

Instead of using general MHD energy eq. we use this simplified one.

$$\frac{D}{Dt} \left( \frac{p}{\rho^\gamma} \right) = \frac{1}{\rho^\gamma} \frac{Dp}{Dt} + p \frac{D}{Dt} \rho^{-\gamma} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{\rho^\gamma} \frac{Dp}{Dt} + p \cdot (-\gamma) \cdot \rho^{-\gamma-1} \frac{D\rho}{Dt} = \frac{1}{\rho^\gamma} \frac{Dp}{Dt} - p\gamma \frac{1}{\rho^{\gamma+1}} \frac{D\rho}{Dt} =$$

$$\left( \frac{D}{Dt} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + (\vec{v} \cdot \nabla) \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\rho^\gamma} \frac{\partial p}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{\rho^\gamma} (\vec{v} \cdot \nabla) p - \frac{p\gamma}{\rho^{\gamma+1}} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} - \frac{p\gamma}{\rho^{\gamma+1}} (\vec{v} \cdot \nabla) \rho = 0.$$

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial t} + (\vec{v} \cdot \nabla) p - \frac{p\gamma}{\rho} \left( \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + (\vec{v} \cdot \nabla) \rho \right) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial p}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (p\vec{v}) = 0 &\Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow \left( \frac{\partial p}{\partial t} + (\vec{v} \cdot \nabla) p \right) + \rho \nabla \cdot \vec{v} = 0. & \\ \frac{\partial p}{\partial t} + (\vec{v} \cdot \nabla) p = -\rho \nabla \cdot \vec{v} & \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial t} + (\vec{v} \cdot \nabla) p + \frac{p\gamma}{\rho} \rho \nabla \cdot \vec{v} = 0.$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial p}{\partial t} + (\vec{v} \cdot \nabla) p + p\gamma \nabla \cdot \vec{v} = 0}$$

Now our MHD system is:

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{u}) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial (\rho \vec{u})}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{u} \vec{u}) + \nabla p - \vec{J} \times \vec{B} = \rho \vec{g} \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial t} + (\vec{v} \cdot \nabla) p + p \nabla \cdot \vec{v} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\vec{v} \times \vec{B})$$

(2) can be rewritten using

$$\frac{\partial (\rho \vec{u})}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{u} \vec{u}) = \underbrace{\vec{u} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \rho \frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t} + (\rho \vec{u} \cdot \nabla) \vec{u} + \vec{u} (\nabla \cdot \rho \vec{u})}_{= 0 \text{ (cont. eq.)}}$$

$$(2) \Rightarrow \rho \frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t} + \rho (\vec{u} \cdot \nabla) \vec{u} + \nabla p - \vec{J} \times \vec{B} = \rho \vec{g}$$

Assume small perturbations to  $\rho, p, \vec{v}, \vec{B}$ :

$$\vec{B} = \vec{B}_0 + \vec{B}_1(\vec{r}, t)$$

$$\vec{v} = \vec{v}_0 + \vec{v}_1(\vec{r}, t)$$

$$p = p_0 + p_1(\vec{r}, t)$$

$$\rho = \rho_0 + \rho_1(\vec{r}, t)$$

→ perturbed

→ equilibrium.

Note: product of two small terms is 0.

0-index variables do not depend on time - static initial cond.

$$\vec{v}_0 = 0$$

Substitute into the MHD systems

$$CE: \frac{\partial \rho_0}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \rho_1}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot ((\rho_0 + \rho_1) \vec{v}) = 0$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{\partial \rho_1}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho_0 \vec{v}_1) = 0}$$

ME:

$$(\rho_0 + \rho_1) \frac{\partial \vec{u}_1}{\partial t} + (\rho_0 + \rho_1) (\vec{u}_1 \cdot \nabla) \vec{u}_1 + \nabla (\rho_0 + \rho_1) - \frac{1}{\mu_0} (\nabla \times (\vec{B}_0 + \vec{B}_1)) \times (\vec{B}_0 + \vec{B}_1) = (\rho_0 + \rho_1) \vec{g}$$

Small = 0                      Small = 0

$$\rho_0 \frac{\partial \vec{u}_1}{\partial t} + \nabla p_0 + \nabla p_1 - \frac{1}{\mu_0} (\nabla \times \vec{B}_0) \times \vec{B}_0 - \frac{1}{\mu_0} (\nabla \times \vec{B}_1) \times \vec{B}_1 - \frac{1}{\mu_0} (\nabla \times \vec{B}_0) \times \vec{B}_1 - \frac{1}{\mu_0} (\nabla \times \vec{B}_0) \times \vec{B}_0 = \rho_0 \vec{g} + \rho_1 \vec{g}$$

These are our initial equilibrium = 0.

$$\boxed{\rho_0 \frac{\partial \vec{u}_1}{\partial t} + \nabla p_1 - \frac{1}{\mu_0} (\nabla \times \vec{B}_0) \times \vec{B}_1 - \frac{1}{\mu_0} (\nabla \times \vec{B}_1) \times \vec{B}_0 = \rho_1 \vec{g}}$$

$$PE: \frac{\partial (\rho_0 + \rho_1)}{\partial t} + (\vec{v} \cdot \nabla) (\rho_0 + \rho_1) + (\rho_0 + \rho_1) \nabla \cdot \vec{v} = 0$$

= 0                      = 0

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial p_1}{\partial t} + (\vec{v} \cdot \nabla) p_0 + \gamma p_0 \nabla \cdot \vec{v} = 0}$$

$$IE: \frac{\partial (\vec{B}_0 + \vec{B}_1)}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\nabla \times (\vec{B}_0 + \vec{B}_1))$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial \vec{B}_1}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{B}_0)}$$

Take  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}$  of ME:

$$\rho_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{u}}{\partial t^2} + \nabla \frac{\partial p}{\partial t} - \frac{1}{\mu_0} \left( \nabla \times \frac{\partial \vec{B}_1}{\partial t} \right) \times \vec{B}_0 - \frac{1}{\mu_0} \left( \nabla \times \vec{B}_0 \right) \times \frac{\partial \vec{B}_1}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial \rho_1}{\partial t} \vec{g}$$

Substitute  $\frac{\partial p}{\partial t}$ ,  $\frac{\partial \vec{B}_1}{\partial t}$ ,  $\frac{\partial \rho_1}{\partial t}$ :

$$\rho_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{u}}{\partial t^2} - \nabla \left( \vec{u} \cdot \nabla p_0 + \gamma p_0 \nabla \cdot \vec{u} \right) - \frac{1}{\mu_0} \left( \nabla \times \nabla \times (\vec{u} \times \vec{B}_0) \right) \times \vec{B}_0 -$$

$$- \frac{1}{\mu_0} \left( \nabla \times \vec{B}_0 \right) \times \nabla \times (\vec{u} \times \vec{B}_0) = \nabla \cdot (\rho_0 \vec{u}) \vec{g}$$

1 equation, 1 unknown!

Linearized equation of motion. Basis for MHD waves and instabilities.

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Start from simplest:

$$\vec{g} = 0$$

$$\vec{B}_0 = 0$$

$$\nabla p_0 = 0, \quad p_0 = \text{const}; \quad \rho_0 = \text{const.}$$

Very high  $\beta$  plasma, short lengths  
(shorter than the pressure scale)

$$\rho_0 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} - \gamma \rho_0 \nabla (\nabla \cdot u) = 0$$

Take divergence  $\nabla \cdot$

$$\rho_0 \frac{\partial^2 (\nabla \cdot u)}{\partial t^2} - \gamma \rho_0 \nabla^2 (\nabla \cdot u) = 0$$

$$\delta = (\nabla \cdot u)$$

$$\rho_0 \frac{\partial^2 \delta}{\partial t^2} - \gamma \rho_0 \nabla^2 \delta = 0$$

or  $\frac{\partial^2 \delta}{\partial t^2} - \frac{\gamma \rho_0}{\rho_0} \nabla^2 \delta = 0$  Wave equation.

Characteristic speed  $c_s^2 = \frac{\gamma p_0}{\rho_0}$  -

- sound speed.  $\delta$  is not zero  $\Rightarrow$   
compressional waves.

$$\frac{\partial^2 \delta}{\partial t^2} - c_s^2 \nabla^2 \delta = 0.$$

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Fourier analysis.

$$\delta = \delta_0 \exp(i(\omega t - \vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}))$$

$$\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} = k_x x + k_y y + k_z z = k \cdot x + l \cdot y + m \cdot z$$

$\omega$  - frequency

$\vec{k}$  - wave vector

$\vec{r}$  - position vector

$$\frac{\partial \delta}{\partial t} = i\omega \delta ; \quad \frac{\partial^2 \delta}{\partial t^2} = -\omega^2 \delta$$

$$\frac{\partial \delta}{\partial x} = -ik_x \delta ; \quad \frac{\partial^2 \delta}{\partial x^2} = -k_x^2 \delta$$

In general,  $\nabla \cdot = -i\vec{k} \cdot$  ;  $\nabla = -i\vec{k}$  ;  $\nabla_x = -ik_x$

Apply it to (\*);

$$-\omega^2 \delta + c_s^2 K^2 \delta = 0, \quad \text{where } K^2 = k^2 + l^2 + m^2$$

$$\text{Or } (\omega^2 - c_s^2 K^2) \delta = 0.$$

Either  $\delta = 0$ , which is trivial

$$\text{Or } \omega^2 = c_s^2 K^2$$

$$\boxed{\omega^2 = c_s^2 K^2}$$

Dispersion relation for sound waves.

DR,  $\omega = \omega(\vec{k})$ , can be used to define phase and group speeds.

Phase speed  $c_{ph} = \frac{\omega}{k} = \pm c_s$  is the sound speed

Group speed  $\vec{c}_g = \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial \vec{k}} = \left( \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial k}, \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial \ell}, \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial m} \right)$

$$\omega^2 = (k^2 + \ell^2 + m^2) c_s^2 \quad \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{k}} \right.$$

$$2\omega \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial \vec{k}} = (2kc_s^2, 2\ell c_s^2, 2mc_s^2)$$

$$\vec{c}_g = \left( c_s^2 \frac{k}{\omega}, c_s^2 \frac{\ell}{\omega}, c_s^2 \frac{m}{\omega} \right) = c_s^2 \frac{k}{\omega} \hat{k} = c_s \hat{k}$$

Direction of energy transport.

$\hat{k}$  - unit vector  
in direction of  $\vec{k}$