

Plasma fluids from the kinetic equation

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Boltzmann equation $f(t, \underline{x}, \underline{v})$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \underline{v} \cdot \nabla f + \underbrace{\frac{\underline{F}}{m} \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \underline{v}}}_{\text{collisions}} = C(f)$$

$$\frac{F_x}{m} \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial v_x} + \frac{F_y}{m} \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial v_y} + \frac{F_z}{m} \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial v_z}$$

$$\underline{F} = q(\underline{E} + \underline{v} \times \underline{B})$$

$$\underline{E}(t, \underline{x}), \underline{B}(t, \underline{x})$$

Density

zeroth moment

number density

$$n(t, \underline{x}) = \int f(t, \underline{x}, \underline{v}) d\underline{v}$$

$$\underbrace{\int \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} d\underline{v}}_{\frac{\partial n}{\partial t}} + \underbrace{\int \underline{v} \cdot \nabla f d\underline{v}}_{\nabla \cdot \int \underline{v} f d\underline{v} = \underline{v} n} + \underbrace{\int \frac{\underline{F}}{m} \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \underline{v}} d\underline{v}}_{\frac{\partial F_x}{\partial v_x} = 0} = \underbrace{\int C(f) d\underline{v}}_{=0 \text{ particles conserved}} = \int \frac{\partial}{\partial \underline{v}} \cdot \left(\frac{\underline{F}}{m} f \right) d\underline{v}$$

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

$\rightarrow 0$ because

$$f \rightarrow 0$$

$$|\underline{v}| \rightarrow \infty$$

Same as Euler equation

Momentum equation

$$\underline{u}(\underline{t}, \underline{x}) = \int \underline{v} f(\underline{t}, \underline{x}, \underline{v}) d\underline{v}$$

$$\int \underline{v} \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} d\underline{v} + \int \underline{v} \underline{v} \cdot \nabla f d\underline{v} + \int \underline{v} \frac{\underline{F}}{m} \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \underline{v}} d\underline{v} = \int \underline{v} c(f) d\underline{v}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\underline{u}n) \quad \nabla \cdot \int \underline{v} \underline{v} f d\underline{v} = \nabla \cdot \int \underline{\omega} \underline{\omega} f d\underline{\omega} \frac{P}{m} + \nabla \cdot (\underline{u}n)$$

$$\underline{\omega} = \underline{v} - \underline{u}$$

* x component

$$\int v_x \left(\frac{F_x}{m} \frac{\partial f}{\partial v_x} + \frac{F_y}{m} \frac{\partial f}{\partial v_y} + \frac{F_z}{m} \frac{\partial f}{\partial v_z} \right) d\underline{v}$$

$f \rightarrow 0 \quad v_y \rightarrow \pm \infty$

$$\int v_x \frac{F_x}{m} \frac{\partial f}{\partial v_x} d\underline{v}$$

$$F_x = q E_x + q (\underline{v} \times \underline{B})_x$$

$$= q E_x + q (v_y B_z - v_z B_y)$$

$$= \frac{q}{m} E_x \underbrace{\int v_x \frac{\partial f}{\partial v_x} d\underline{v}}_{n(\underline{t}, \underline{x})} + \frac{q}{m} \int (v_y B_z - v_z B_y) \underbrace{v_x \frac{\partial f}{\partial v_x} d\underline{v}}_{\rightarrow \int f dv_x}$$

$$\int v_x \frac{\partial f}{\partial v_x} dv_x = [v_x f]_{-\infty}^{\infty} - \int f dv_x$$

$$= -\frac{q}{m} E_x n \quad \iint (v_y B_z - v_z B_y) \int f dv_x dv_y dv_z$$

$$= -\frac{q}{m} E_x n \quad \underbrace{\int v_y f dv_y}_{n u_y} B_z + \underbrace{\int v_z f dv_z}_{n u_z} B_y$$

$$= -\frac{q}{m} n (\underline{E} + \underline{u} \times \underline{B})_x$$

Collisions



$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (n \underline{u}) + \nabla \cdot (\underbrace{n \underline{u} \underline{u}}_{2^{\text{nd}} \text{ moment}}) + \nabla \cdot \underline{P} = \frac{q}{m} n (\underline{E} + \underline{u} \times \underline{B}) + \underline{R}$$

2nd moment

→ Energy

Equations for each particle species separately

→ "Two fluid" equations