

Plasma Physics
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Momentum Equation from Boltzmann

or, fluid equation of motion from Boltzmann eqn.

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1st order momentum in Plasma.

The lowest moment by using the lowest moments of the Boltzmann equation the lowest moment is obtained by integrating [1]

$$\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial t}\right) + (\vec{v} \cdot \nabla) f + \frac{q}{m} (\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B}) \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \vec{v}} = \int \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial t}\right)_{c} d\vec{c}$$

By integrating [1] the lowest moment is

$$\int \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial t}\right) d\vec{v} + \int \vec{v} \cdot \nabla f d\vec{v} + \frac{q}{m} \int (\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B}) \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \vec{v}} d\vec{v} = \int \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial t}\right)_{c} d\vec{c}$$

multiplying $m\vec{v}$ and integrating whole equation over velocity space

$$m \int \vec{v} \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} d\vec{v} + m \int \vec{v} (\vec{v} \cdot \nabla) f d\vec{v} + m \frac{q}{m} \int \vec{v} (\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B}) \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \vec{v}} d\vec{v} = \int m \vec{v} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial t}\right)_{c} d\vec{c}$$

1st term
2nd term
3rd term
4th term

1. Solve

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \underbrace{m \int \vec{u} \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} d^3u}_{\text{1st term}} + \underbrace{m \int \vec{u} \cdot (\vec{u} \cdot \nabla) d^3u}_{\text{2nd term}} + \underbrace{\frac{mq}{m} \int \vec{u} (E + \vec{u} \times B) d^3u}_{\text{third term}} \\
 & = \underbrace{\int m n \vec{u} \left(\frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t} \right) d^3u}_{\text{4th term}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \underbrace{m \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (n \vec{u})}_{\text{1st term}} + \underbrace{m \left[\vec{u} \cdot \nabla (n \vec{u}) + n (\vec{u} \cdot \nabla) \vec{u} \right]}_{\text{2nd term}} + \nabla p \\
 & - nq [E + \vec{u} \times B] = P_{ij}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$m n \frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t} + m \vec{u} \frac{\partial n}{\partial t} + m \left[\vec{u} \frac{\partial n}{\partial t} + n (\vec{u} \cdot \nabla) \vec{u} \right]$$

$$= nq [E + \vec{u} \times B] - \nabla p + P_{ij}$$

Substituting 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th term (solution)

$$m n \left[\frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t} + (\vec{u} \cdot \nabla) \vec{u} \right] = nq (E + \vec{u} \times B) - \nabla p + P_{ij}$$

$$\boxed{m n \left[\frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t} + (\vec{u} \cdot \nabla) \vec{u} \right] = nq (E + \vec{u} \times B) - \nabla p + P_{ij}}$$

This is the plasma momentum equation or equation of motion of plasma fluid

[From continuity equation

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

$$\nabla \cdot (n \vec{u}) = - \frac{\partial n}{\partial t}$$

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Solution of 1st, 2nd, 3rd + 4th term.

① Solving 1st term

$$m \int \vec{u} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} f d^3u$$

$$= m \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int \vec{u} f d^3u$$

$$= m \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (n \vec{u}) \quad \text{--- 1st term solution}$$

\vec{u} is the average velocity

② Solving 2nd term.

$$m \int \vec{u} (\vec{u} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) f d^3u$$

$$= m \vec{\nabla} \cdot \int \vec{u} \vec{u} f d^3u$$

$$= m \vec{\nabla} \cdot (n \vec{u} \vec{u})$$

$$= m \vec{\nabla} \cdot (n \bar{u} \bar{u}) + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (m n (\bar{\omega} \bar{\omega}))$$

$$= m \vec{\nabla} \cdot (n \bar{u} \bar{u}) + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{p} = m [\bar{u} \vec{\nabla} \cdot (n \bar{u}) + n (\bar{u} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \bar{u}] + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{p}$$

③ $\vec{u} = \bar{u} + \bar{\omega}$ \rightarrow thermal velocity

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particle average velocity

velocity \downarrow per unit volume

$$\vec{v} = \bar{u} + \bar{\omega}$$

\bar{u} is already average velocity

$$\vec{v} \vec{v} = \bar{u} \bar{u} + \bar{\omega} \bar{\omega}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot n \vec{v} \vec{v} = \vec{\nabla} \cdot n \bar{u} \bar{u} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot n \bar{\omega} \bar{\omega}$$

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$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot m n \vec{v} \vec{v} = \vec{\nabla} \cdot m n \bar{u} \bar{u} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot m n \bar{\omega} \bar{\omega}$$

③

$$m \nabla \cdot (\bar{n} \bar{v} \bar{v}) = m \nabla \cdot (n \bar{u} \bar{u}) + \nabla \cdot (m n \bar{u} \bar{u})$$

$$\text{Now } p = \frac{1}{3} m n \bar{v}^2 + p = n k T$$

$$\bar{v}^2 = \frac{3 k_B T}{m}$$

$$\therefore p = \frac{1}{3} m n \frac{3 k_B T}{m}$$

$$\therefore p = n k T$$

$m n \bar{u} \cdot \bar{u}$ is the dimension of velocity

$$m n \bar{u}^2$$

3rd term

$$q \int \bar{u} (\bar{E} + \bar{u} \times \bar{B}) \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{u}} d^3 u \rightarrow$$

$$= \int \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{u}} \cdot f \bar{u} (\bar{E} + \bar{u} \times \bar{B}) d^3 u$$

$$= \int \bar{u} (\bar{E} + \bar{u} \times \bar{B}) \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{u}} d^3 u + \int (\bar{E} + \bar{u} \times \bar{B}) f d^3 u$$

$$+ \int \bar{u} f \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{u}} (\bar{E} + \bar{u} \times \bar{B}) d^3 u$$

$$\oint_S f \bar{u} (\bar{E} + \bar{u} \times \bar{B}) d^2 u = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{u} (\bar{E} + \bar{u} \times \bar{B}) \frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{u}} d^3 u$$

$$f = 0 \text{ when } u = \infty + \int (\bar{E} + \bar{u} \times \bar{B}) f d^3 u$$

$$+ \int \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{u}} (u f) (\bar{E} + \bar{u} \times \bar{B}) d^3 u$$

$q(\psi) = \psi$ is the function of ψ of

$$\therefore \int \vec{u} (\vec{E} + \vec{u} \times \vec{B}) \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} d^3u = - \int (\vec{E} + \vec{u} \times \vec{B}) f d^3u.$$

we know $\int u f d^3u = nu$

$$\rightarrow \Rightarrow -n(\vec{E} + \vec{u} \times \vec{B})$$

solⁿ:
→ third term

4th term

$$\int m u \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} \right) d^3u = P_{ij} - \text{fourth term}$$

P_{ij} represent momentum change due to collision.

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