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Abstract

The electrostatic trapped electron instabilities have been investigated by numerically solving the local single energy integral form dispersion relation. With the electron temperature gradient, the electron collision effect destabilizes the dissipative trapped electron mode (DTEM). For collisionless electrons, the energy dependent curvature drift effect strongly destabilizes the collisionless trapped electron mode. The growth rate is, however, reduced by a small collision effect. The anomalous transport due to these trapped electron modes is discussed.

Keywords: Electrostatic local dispersion relation for trapped electrons, single energy integral form, numerical calculation, dissipative trapped electron mode, curvature drift, electron temperature gradient, collisionless trapped electron mode, anomalous electron transport.

§1. Introduction

Trapped particle instabilities have been studied by many authors in connection with the anomalous plasma transport¹⁾⁻⁶⁾. It is well known that the electron collision effect excites so called dissipative trapped electron mode (DTEM). In the simple model of the constant collision frequency, the collision stabilizes by the collision damping effect. The DTEM is destabilized, combined with the electron temperature gradient, when the energy dependence of the collision frequency is taken into account. This situation is similar to the η_i -mode which is excited by taking into account the energy dependence of the curvature drift frequency ω_D ⁷⁾

In addition to the collision effect, if we take into account the energy dependent electron curvature drift effect, the trapped electron mode may be more destabilized. Due to this energy dependence, the analytical solution to the dispersion relation is at best limited to particular asymptotic cases. For arbitrary parameter ranges, the dispersion relation may only be solved by numerical calculations.

The purpose of this report is to examine the effects of electron temperature gradient energy dependent electron collision, and curvature drift frequency for trapped electron modes by numerically solving the electrostatic local dispersion relation, and compare with usual analytical results.

We assume a simple model for ion dynamics neglecting the effects of trapped ions, finite Larmor radius, curvature drift and transit frequency. By solving the complex integral equation by a conformal mapping method, the growth rate γ is found to be much larger than expected. Due to the combined effects of the electron temperature gradient and curvature drift, γ can even be larger than the electron diamagnetic drift frequency ω^*_e .

In actual situations, the growth rate may be smaller by various stabilizing effects such as the finite ion Larmor radius effect, transit particle effect and finite β -effect. Although our model may

be too simple to be realistic, we can see, at least, what is the most important source for the trapped electron instabilities.

§2. Electrostatic Dispersion Relation

We start with the gyrokinetic solution for the perturbed ion distribution

$$\tilde{n}_i = -\frac{e\tilde{\phi}}{T_i} \left\{ 1 - \frac{\bar{\omega} - \omega_* T_i}{\bar{\omega} - \omega_{Di}} J_0(\alpha) \right\} F_{Mi} \quad (1)$$

The perturbed distribution for trapped electrons is given by

$$\tilde{f}_e = -\frac{e\tilde{\phi}}{T_e} \left\{ 1 - \frac{\bar{\omega} - \omega_* T_e}{\bar{\omega} - \omega_{De} + i\nu_{eff}} \right\} F_{Me} \quad (2)$$

where all notations are standard⁷⁾: $\omega_D = \omega_D (v_\perp^2/2 + v_\parallel^2)$, $\omega_D = 2\varepsilon_n \omega^*/\tau$, $\tau = T_e/T_i$, $\varepsilon_n = L_n/L_B$, $1/L_n = -d\ln n/dr$, $1/L_B = -d\ln B/dr$, $\omega_* T = \omega^* e (1 + \eta (v_\perp^2 + v_\parallel^2 - 3/2))/\tau$, $\eta = d\ln T/d\ln n$, $\omega^* e = k_y c T_e / e B L_n$, $F_M = (\pi v_{th}^2)^{-3/2} \exp(-E/T)$, and $\nu_{eff} = \nu_e/\varepsilon$ with $\varepsilon = r/R$ for tokamak, and $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_n$ (helical inhomogeneity factor) for the helically symmetric system. We neglect the passing electron distribution, because it is of the order ω_*/ω_t which must be much smaller than that of trapped electrons, where ω_t is the electron transit frequency $\omega_t = k_\parallel v_\parallel$.

If we neglect the curvature drift frequency and also finite Larmor radius effect for ion in eq.(1), the perturbed ion density is approximated by⁸⁾:

$$\tilde{n}_i \approx \frac{\omega_* e}{\bar{\omega}} \frac{e\tilde{\phi}}{T_e} N \quad (3)$$

where $\bar{\omega} = \omega + \omega_E$ with $\omega_E = v_E k_\theta$, $v_E = c E_r / B$ is the poloidal rotation velocity due to the radial electric field E_r . Integrating eq.(2) over the velocity, we have the perturbed electron density

$$\tilde{n}_e = \frac{e\tilde{\phi}}{T_e} N \left(1 - \int \frac{\bar{\omega} - \omega_* T_e}{\bar{\omega} - \omega_{De} + i\nu_{eff}} F_{Me} d^3v \right) \quad (4)$$

From the quasi-neutrality condition, we have the local electrostatic dispersion relation:

$$D_{es} = 1 - \frac{\omega_* e}{\bar{\omega}} - \int_{\mathbb{T}} \frac{\bar{\omega} - \omega_* T_e}{\bar{\omega} - \omega_{De} + i v_{eff}} F_{Me} d^3 v = 0 \quad (5)$$

The velocity integral in eq. (5) can be rewritten in the form of double integral:

$$D_{es} = 1 - \frac{1}{\omega} - \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^{\infty} dv_{\perp} v_{\perp} e^{-v_{\perp}^2} \int_{v_{\perp} \leq \sqrt{\epsilon} v_{\perp}} dv_{\parallel} \frac{\left(\omega - 1 - \eta_e \left(v_{\perp}^2 + v_{\parallel}^2 - \frac{3}{2} \right) \right) e^{-v_{\parallel}^2}}{\omega - 2\epsilon_n \left(v_{\perp}^2 / 2 + v_{\parallel}^2 \right) + i v_{eff0} \left(v_{\perp}^2 + v_{\parallel}^2 \right)^{-3/2}} \quad (6)$$

Equation (6) may only be solved by numerical calculations. The double integration is, however, time consuming particularly near the resonance condition. We approximate⁷⁾ the curvature drift frequency by $\omega_D = 2\epsilon_n (v_{\perp}^2 / 2 + v_{\parallel}^2) \approx 2\epsilon_n (v_{\perp}^2 + v_{\parallel}^2) = 2\epsilon_n E$. Equation (6) in this case can be rewritten in the form of single integral with respect to the normalized energy E:

$$D_{es} = 1 - \frac{1}{\omega} - \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \sqrt{\epsilon_T} \int_0^{\infty} dE \sqrt{E} e^{-E} \frac{\omega - 1 - \eta_e \left(E - \frac{3}{2} \right)}{\omega - 2\epsilon_n E + i v_{eff0} E^{-3/2}} = 0 \quad (7)$$

For the sake of simplicity, we express the normalized frequency $\bar{\omega}/\omega_* e$ as ω . To our trapped electron mode, the electron temperature gradient is essential. The importance of η_e can be seen by setting $\eta_e = 0$ in eq. (6) or (7). In this case, these equations yield an exact solution $\omega = 1$ and another damping branch, i.e., without electron temperature gradient all branches are stabilized.

We will solve eq. (7) numerically by making use of a conformal mapping method, i.e., by mapping certain orthogonal curves in the complex ω -plane onto the complex D_{es} -plane and seek the point in the complex ω -plane until D_{es} tends to the origin in the complex D_{es} -plane.

§3. Dissipative Trapped Electron Mode

First we consider the trapped electron instability induced by the electron collision effect. If we assume the curvature drift and collision frequencies, ω_D and v_{eff} , are respectively constants. In this case, eq.(7) can be written by

$$1 - \frac{1}{\omega} \frac{\sqrt{\varepsilon_T}}{\omega - 2\varepsilon_n + i v_{\text{eff}}} \left\{ \left(\omega - 1 + \frac{3}{2} \eta_e \right) I_0 - \eta_e I_1 \right\} = 0 \quad (8)$$

where the moment integral I_j has been defined by

$$I_j = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^{\infty} dx \sqrt{x} e^{-x} x^j \quad (9)$$

Since $I_0=1$ and $I_1=3/2$, η_e term is exactly cancelled out and eq.(8) yields the solution

$$\omega = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad \omega = \frac{2\varepsilon_n - i v_{\text{eff}}}{1 - \sqrt{\varepsilon_T}} \quad (10)$$

Both eigenvalues indicate the stable branches. This means that as long as ω_D and v_{eff} are constants, we have no instability.

If we introduce the energy dependence of these frequencies, the trapped particle instabilities are excited. Let us solve eq.(7) in the collisional regime: $v_{\text{eff}} \gg \omega_*$. Expanding the integrand in eq.(7) in powers of ω/v_{eff} , we have

$$D_{\text{es}} = 1 - \frac{1}{\omega} + 2i \frac{\sqrt{\varepsilon_T}}{v_{\text{eff}0}} \left[2(\omega - 1) - 3\eta_e + \frac{i}{v_{\text{eff}0}} \left\{ \left(\omega - 1 + \frac{3}{2} \eta_e \right) (\omega I_2 - 2\varepsilon_n I_4) - \eta_e (\omega I_4 - 2\varepsilon_n I_6) \right\} \right] = 0 \quad (11)$$

To the first order of ω/v_{eff} , the solution to eq.(11) is obtained by

$$\omega = 1 + i \sqrt{\varepsilon_T} \frac{6\eta_e}{\sqrt{\pi} v_{\text{eff}0}} \quad (12)$$

As compared to the usual growth rate $\gamma = \varepsilon^{3/2} \omega_*^2 \eta_e / v_e^{(1)2}$ for the DTEM, the growth rate given by eq.(12) is larger by a numerical factor $6/\pi^{1/2}$. The effect of curvature drift frequency ω_D is the second order to ω/v_{eff} , and may be negligible in the collisional

regime. In the limit, $v_e \rightarrow \infty$, the eigenvalue ω tends to the stable point 1. In the opposite collisionless limit, $v_e \rightarrow 0$, the eigenvalue ω also tends to the same stable point 1, which can be seen from eq.(10).

For arbitrary collision frequencies, eq.(7) is numerically solved by the conformal mapping method. Variation of the discrete eigenvalue for the case of $\omega_D=0$ is presented in Fig.1 for various values of v_e and η_e . Since the eigenvalue ω tends to the same limit 1 for $v_e \rightarrow 0$ and $v_e \rightarrow \infty$, the eigenvalue trajectory for each η_e forms a closed contour. As η_e is reduced, the contour shrinks and finally tends to a stable point $\omega=1$, i.e., the electron temperature gradient is essential to the DTEM as mentioned in the above.

The normalized frequency and growth rate are also plotted versus the normalized collision frequency v_e for different values of η_e in Fig.2. The asymptotic solution (12) presented by the broken curve is also compared in Fig.2. As seen in Figs. 1 and 2, the growth rate γ sharply increases in the weakly collisional regime, $v_e < 1$. As v_e increases, however, γ suffers collision damping and decreases. When the curvature drift effect is taken into account, the trapped electron mode is strongly destabilized as seen by the case of $\epsilon_n=0.1$ in Fig.2. This branch seems to be strongly destabilized particularly in the collisionless limit.

§4. Collisionless Trapped Electron Mode

We now consider the effect of curvature drift on the trapped electron mode in the collisionless limit. In this case, eq.(7) can be rewritten in the form

$$D_{es} = 1 - \frac{1}{\omega} - \sqrt{\epsilon_T} \frac{\eta_e}{2\epsilon_n} - 2\sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_T}{\pi}} \left\{ 1 - \frac{3}{2}\eta_e - \left(1 - \frac{\eta_e}{2\epsilon_n}\right)\omega \right\} \int_0^\infty \frac{\sqrt{E} e^{-E} dE}{2\epsilon_n E - \omega} \quad (13)$$

If we change the variable by $E=x^2$, the integral in eq.(13) can be expressed in terms of the usual plasma dispersion function Z :

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{E} e^{-E} dE}{2\varepsilon_n E - \omega} = \frac{1}{2\varepsilon_n} \left\{ 1 + \sqrt{\frac{\omega}{2\varepsilon_n}} Z \left(\sqrt{\frac{\omega}{2\varepsilon_n}} \right) \right\} \quad (14)$$

Introducing eq.(14) into eq.(13), we have

$$D_{es} = \left(1 - \sqrt{\varepsilon_T} \frac{\eta_e}{2\varepsilon_n} \right) \omega - 1 - \frac{\sqrt{\varepsilon_T} \omega}{\varepsilon_n} \left\{ 1 - \frac{3}{2} \eta_e - \left(1 - \frac{\eta_e}{2\varepsilon_n} \right) \omega \right\} \left\{ 1 + \sqrt{\frac{\omega}{2\varepsilon_n}} Z \left(\sqrt{\frac{\omega}{2\varepsilon_n}} \right) \right\} \quad (15)$$

The complex function $(\omega/\omega_D)^{1/2}$ has the branch points at $\omega=0$ and at infinity. The function Z is discontinuous across the branch cut $[0, \infty]$ on the positive real axis. This branch cut corresponds to the continuous eigenvalue of the original gyrokinetic equation in the collisionless case.

When $\omega/\omega_D \gg 1$, applying the asymptotic formula $Z(\zeta) = -(1 + 1/2\zeta^2 + 3/4\zeta^4)/\zeta$, we find the eigenvalue $\omega=1$ in the limit $\omega_D \rightarrow 0$. Since the quantity $(\omega/\omega_D)^{1/2}$ is approximately unity, and also the real and imaginary parts of ω are nearly the same, $\text{Re}\omega \approx \text{Im}\omega$, in general, we have no available asymptotic formula. Equation (15) is, therefore, not so useful to derive approximate analytical solution for the eigenvalue. We solve directly eq.(7) numerically by the conformal mapping method.

Variation of the discrete eigenvalue, the solution of eq.(7), is presented in Fig.3 for various values of η_e and ε_n . As seen in Fig.3, the normalized growth rate γ increases as η_e increases. For each η_e , as ε_n increases, the trajectory of the eigenvalue tends to the continuum, i.e., the positive real axis at which the mode becomes marginal. Figures 1 and 3 also indicate that the trapped electron modes are essentially the resonant mode at the electron diamagnetic drift frequency, $\omega = \omega_{*e}$.

Let us analytically evaluate the critical value of η_e above which the trapped particle mode becomes unstable. At the marginal state, $\gamma=0$, applying the formula: $(x+i0)^{-1} = \text{P}x^{-1} - i\pi\delta(x)$ to the integrand of eq.(13), from the real and imaginary parts, we have two equations

$$\left(1 - \sqrt{\epsilon_T} \frac{\eta_e}{2\epsilon_n}\right) \omega - 1 - \sqrt{\epsilon_T} \omega \left\{1 - \frac{3}{2} \eta_e - \left(1 - \frac{\eta_e}{2\epsilon_n}\right) \omega\right\} \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \text{P} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{E} e^{-E} dE}{2\epsilon_n E - \omega} = 0 \quad (16)$$

$$\left\{1 - \frac{3}{2} \eta_e - \left(1 - \frac{\eta_e}{2\epsilon_n}\right) \omega\right\} \frac{1}{2\epsilon_n} \sqrt{\frac{\omega}{2\epsilon_n}} \exp\left(-\sqrt{\frac{\omega}{2\epsilon_n}}\right) = 0 \quad (17)$$

From eq.(17), we have $\omega = (1 - 3\eta_e/2) / (1 - \eta_e/\omega_D)$. Introducing this relation into eq.(16), we have $\omega = \omega_D / (\omega_D - \epsilon^{1/2}/2\eta_e)$ and the relation between η_e and ϵ_n in the form

$$\epsilon_n = \frac{1}{3} \left(1 - \sqrt{\epsilon_T} + \frac{3}{2} \sqrt{\epsilon_T} \eta_e\right) \quad (18)$$

In the derivation of eq.(18), we assume no approximation, i.e., the critical condition (18) is exact. The boundary in the (ϵ_n, η_e) -plane given by eq.(18) is shown in Fig.4. The evaluation of the critical value by numerical method has the difficulty due to the singularity. The numerical integration for the singular function must be very careful. The boundary values obtained by numerical calculations are close to the curve shown in Fig.4. For the collisionless case, the unstable region below the line given by Eq.(18) is limited in the region $\epsilon_n > 0$.

The critical boundary curve is also calculated numerically for the case with the collision effect. As seen in Fig.4, when the collision effect ($\hat{v}_e = 1$) is introduced, the stable region in the (η_e, ϵ_n) -plane is enlarged. How the collision effect stabilizes the trapped electron mode can also be seen by the eigenvalue shown by the dotted curve in Fig. 3. As compared with the eigenvalue of $\eta_e = 1$, the dotted trajectory with the collision effect, $\hat{v}_e = 1$, is much reduced.

The weak collision effect exits the DTEM. On the other hand, the same weak collision effect strongly stabilizes the collisionless trapped electron mode induced by the curvature drift. This situation can be seen in Fig.5, where the normalized growth rates for $\epsilon_n = 0$ (DTEM) and $\epsilon_n = 0.2$ are plotted versus \hat{v}_e for comparison.

§5. Anomalous Electron Diffusion

We proceed to the derivation of electron diffusion coefficient induced by the trapped electron modes. Let us consider the cross field quasi-linear electron flux

$$\Gamma_e = \int d^3 v \langle \tilde{v}_x \tilde{f}_e \rangle \quad (19)$$

where the angular brackets means the ensemble average. Introducing Fourier representation of $\tilde{v}_x = i c k_\theta \tilde{\phi} / B$ and eq.(2) into eq.(19), we have

$$\Gamma_e = \sum \left| \frac{e \tilde{\phi}}{T_e} \right|_{k_\omega}^2 \frac{c T_e}{e B} k_\theta \operatorname{Im} \left(\int d^3 v \frac{\tilde{\omega} - \omega_* T_e}{\tilde{\omega} - \omega_{De} + i v_{eff}} F_{Me} \right) \quad (20)$$

The flux due to the discrete trapped electron modes must be evaluated by introducing the discrete eigenvalue $\omega = \omega_r + i\gamma$ given by the dispersion relation (5). From eq.(5), the imaginary part of the integral in eq.(20) can be expressed by the discrete eigenvalue in the form⁹⁾

$$\operatorname{Im} \left(\int d^3 v \frac{\tilde{\omega} - \omega_* T_e}{\tilde{\omega} - \omega_{De} + i v_{eff}} F_{Me} \right) = \frac{\omega_* e \gamma}{\tilde{\omega}_r^2 + \gamma^2} \quad (21)$$

which is exact for arbitrary ω_D and v_{eff} .

If we apply the mixing length assumption: $|\tilde{e} \tilde{\phi} T_e|^2 = (k_\perp L_\eta)^{-2}$ in eq.(20), and bearing in mind the relation: $\Gamma = -D_\perp dn/dr$, we have the electron diffusion coefficient from eqs.(20) and (21)

$$D_\perp = \frac{\omega_* e}{k_\perp^2} \frac{\omega_* e \gamma}{\tilde{\omega}_r^2 + \gamma^2} \quad (22)$$

When $\omega_r = \omega_*$ and $\gamma \ll \omega_*$, eq.(22) reduces to the usual result

$$D_\perp = \frac{\gamma}{k_\perp^2} \quad (23)$$

As we have seen in Fig.3, this assumption does not hold in general, i.e., the usual formula (23) is valid only in the limited parameter region. As seen in Fig.3, when $\eta_e > 1$, and $\epsilon_n = 0.1$, the magnitude of the growth rate γ becomes nearly the same as that of the real frequency, and the assumption $\gamma \ll \omega_*$ is broken down.

As long as the test particle diffusion model and the mixing length ansatz are applied, the diffusion coefficient due to the continuum

contribution has been obtained in the similar form⁹⁾.

For the DTEM, applying the growth rate given by eq.(12) to eq.(23), we have

$$D_{\perp} = \frac{6}{\sqrt{\pi}} \frac{\varepsilon^2 \omega_*^2 \eta_e}{v_e k_{\perp}^2} \quad (24)$$

If we introduce the gyro-Bohm coefficient by

$$D_{GB} = \frac{\rho_i^2 v_i}{L_B} \quad (25)$$

for $k \approx k_0$, eq.(24) can be rewritten in the form

$$D_{\perp} = D_{GB} \frac{6\sqrt{\varepsilon} \tau^2 v_i}{\sqrt{\pi \varepsilon_n} L_T v_e} \quad (26)$$

The diffusion coefficient (24) has the scaling: $D \propto T^{7/2} \varepsilon^{3/2} B^{-2} n^{-1} / L_n L_T$, i.e., D has a strong temperature dependence.

If we assume $k \rho_i \approx \text{constant}$ as experimentally observed¹⁰⁾, eq.(22) can also be expressed in terms of D_{GB} :

$$D_{\perp} = D_{GB} \frac{\omega_* \varepsilon \gamma \tau}{\omega_r^2 + \gamma^2 \varepsilon_n} \quad (27)$$

For the collisionless plasma, the diffusion coefficient D_{\perp} normalized by D_{GB} is plotted versus ε_n in Fig.6. As seen in Fig.6, the quantity D_{\perp}/D_{GB} increases as η_e increases, and is sharply peaked at $\varepsilon_n \approx 0.05$ which is due to the behavior of the growth rate γ versus ε_n .

As shown in Refs.(1) and (2), and eq.(24), the asymptotic formula for the growth rate for the DTEM is proportional to the factor η_e . The importance of the electron temperature gradient effect η_e has also been seen in the numerical results in Figs.1 and 3, i.e., without η_e the trapped electron instability disappears. Recently the diffusion coefficient induced by the DTEM without the η_e -effect has been employed, among many other models, for interpretations of experimental observations^{11) 12)}. Since the electron temperature gradient is an essential source for the trapped electron instability as pointed out in the above, the effect of η_e should be taken into account.

§6. Conclusion

Neglecting the finite Larmor radius effect and transit frequency for ions, the trapped electron instabilities induced by the electron temperature gradient have been investigated by numerically calculating the electrostatic local dispersion relation. In our model, the negative electron temperature gradient is essential to excite the dissipative and collisionless trapped electron modes. When $\eta_e=0$, all these instabilities are stabilized. Even when $\eta_e \neq 0$, if the collision frequency and curvature drift frequency are independent of velocity, the trapped electron modes are stable, as in the case of η_i -mode. The DTEM is, therefore, becomes unstable when $\eta_e \neq 0$ and v_{eff} is velocity dependent. In the highly collisional regime, $v_e \gg \omega_*$, the asymptotic formula for the growth rate agrees with the numerical results calculated by a conformal mapping method.

In the collisionless regime, the combination of electron temperature gradient and curvature drift effects make the trapped electron mode strongly unstable. The frequency ω_r is positive, i.e., in the electron diamagnetic drift direction, and $\omega_r \approx \omega_*$. The growth rate γ also becomes comparable to or even larger than the electron drift frequency ω_* , i.e., γ is even larger than that of the η_i -mode. In this regime, $\omega_r \approx \gamma \approx \omega_*$, the asymptotic expansion formula for the plasma dispersion function is not available, and we have no analytical expression for the dispersion relation. In the limit, $\gamma \rightarrow 0$, of the marginal state, however, the exact analytical expression as given by eq.(18) for the stability boundary has been obtained in the collisionless case. The collision effect destabilizes the TEM in the small η_e regime, while it stabilizes the TEM in the larger η_e regime as seen in Fig.4.

The cross field electron flux which is induced by the discrete TEM has been calculated consistently with the dispersion relation, and the diffusion coefficient has been evaluated in term of the gyro-Bohm coefficient as given by eq.(24). The electron diffusion coefficient normalized by D_{GB} increases as η_e increases, and is sharply peaked at $\epsilon_n \approx 0.1$ as ϵ_n varies. At the peak value D_{\perp} is much

larger than D_{GB} as shown in Fig.6.

In this study a simple model has been employed to see what is the important source of the trapped electron instability. If we introduce more detail of ion dynamics such as the finite Larmor radius effect, the growth rate of the TEM may be reduced¹³⁾.

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Figures Captions

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Fig.2: Variations of normalized frequency and growth rate for dissipative trapped electron mode versus normalized collision frequency \hat{v}_e for $\eta_e=1$.

Fig.3: Variation of normalized discrete eigenvalue for collisionless trapped electron mode for various values of ϵ_n and η_e . The discrete eigenvalue for DTEM is presented by the broken curve for comparison.

Fig.4: Critical boundary curves for $\hat{v}_e=0$ and $\hat{v}_e=1$ in (η_e, ϵ_n) -plane.

Fig.5: Comparison of normalized growth rates for $\epsilon_n=0$ (DTEM) and $\epsilon_n=0.2$ as functions of normalized collision frequency \hat{v}_e .

Fig.6: Variation of electron diffusion coefficient normalized by gyroBohm coefficient versus ϵ_n for various values of η_e for collisionless plasma.

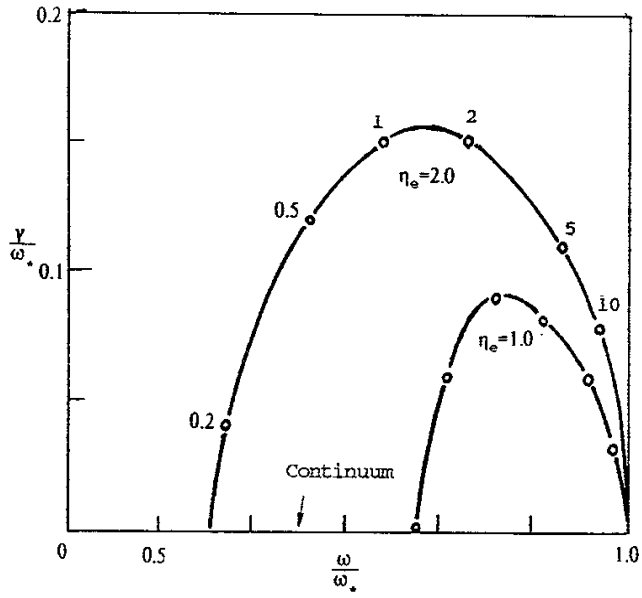


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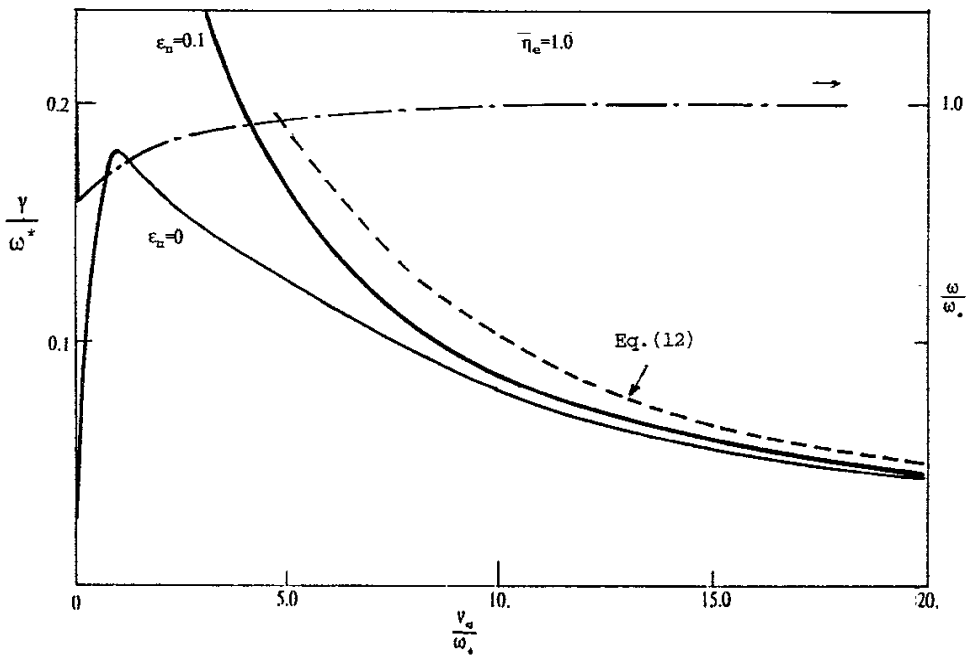


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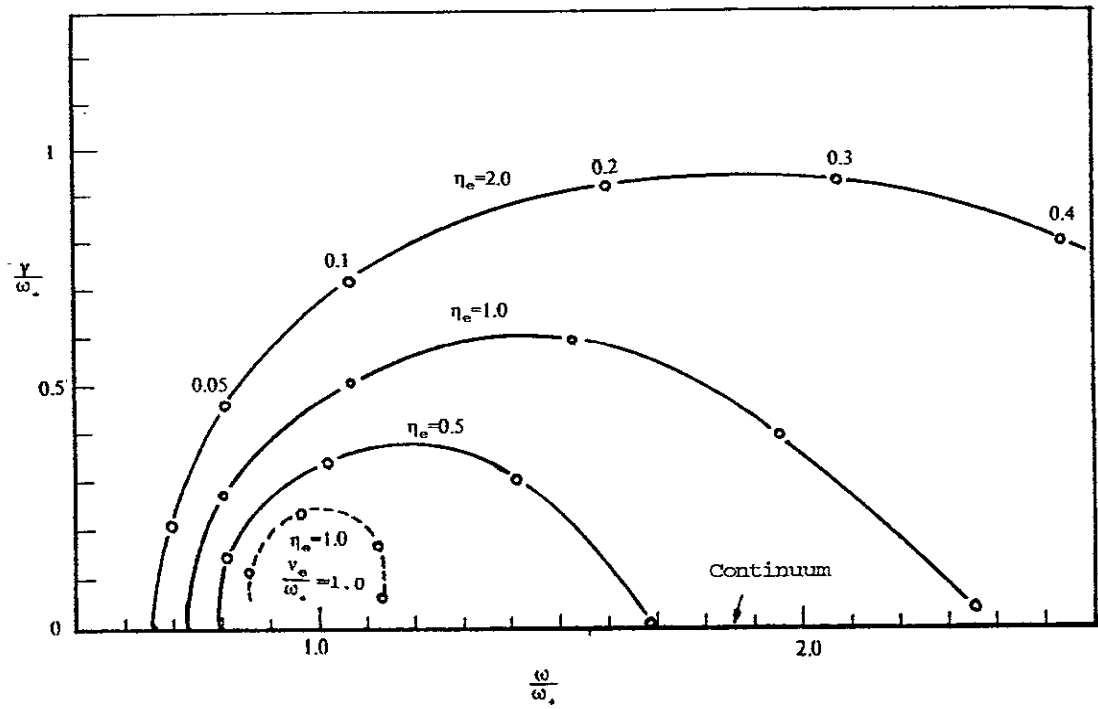


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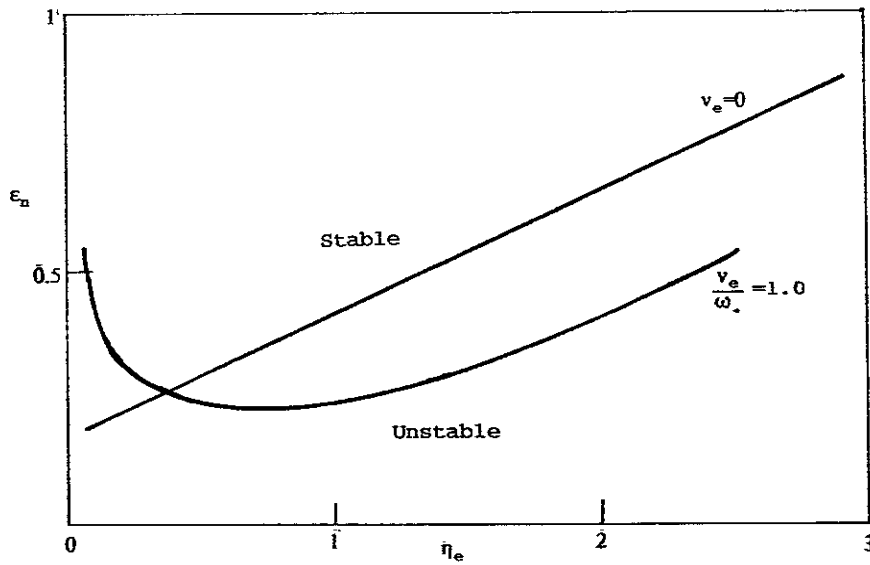


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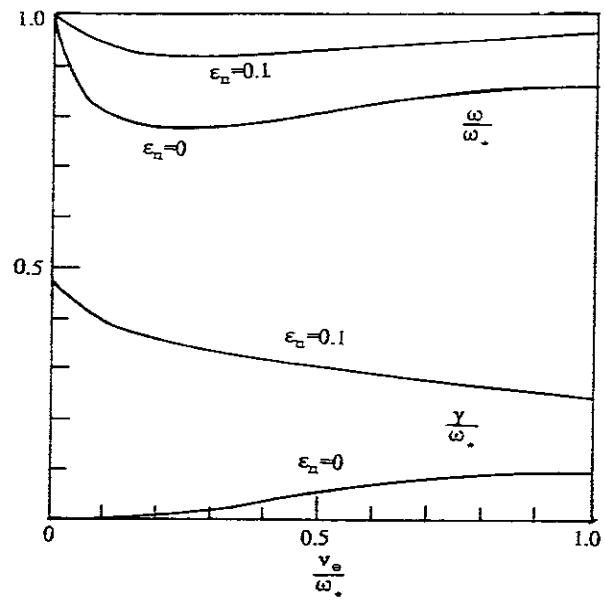


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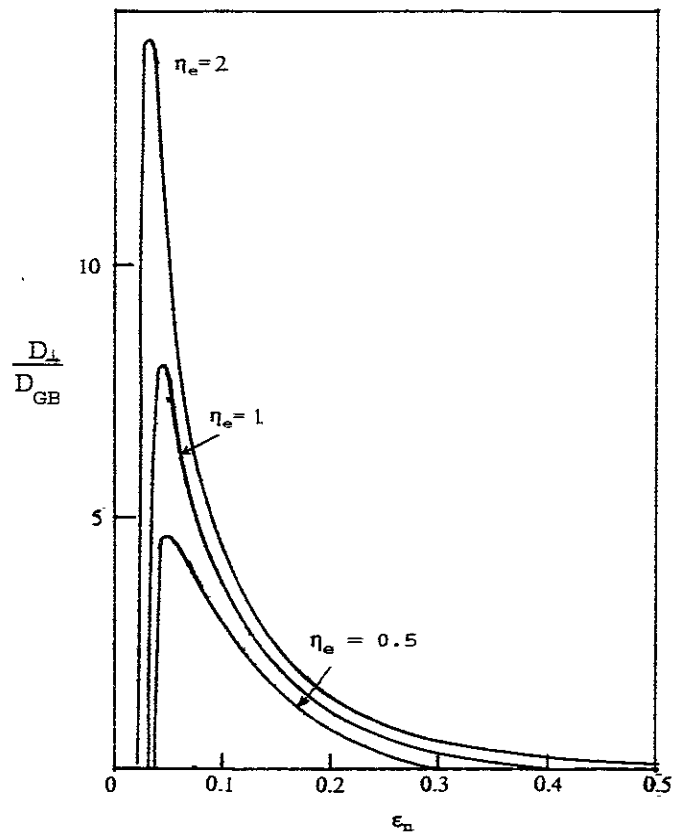


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