

# Parallel electric fields in nonlinear magnetosonic waves in an electron-positron-ion plasma

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The electric field  $E_{\parallel}$  along the magnetic field  $\mathbf{B}$  in nonlinear magnetosonic waves in a three-component plasma is studied with theory based on a three-fluid model and with fully kinetic, electromagnetic, particle simulations. The theory for small-amplitude ( $\epsilon \ll 1$ ) pulses shows that the integral of  $E_{\parallel}$  along  $\mathbf{B}$ ,  $F = -\int E_{\parallel} ds$ , is proportional to  $\epsilon(p_{e0} - p_{p0})$  in warm plasmas, where  $p_{e0}$  and  $p_{p0}$  are, respectively, the electron and positron pressures, and proportional to  $\epsilon^2 m_i v_A^2 / (1 + v_A^2/c^2)^3$  in cold plasmas, where  $v_A$  is the Alfvén speed. These predictions are verified with simulations. Furthermore, for shock waves with  $\epsilon \sim O(1)$ , simulation values are consistent with the phenomenological relation  $n_{e0} e F \sim \epsilon(\rho v_A^2 + \Gamma_e p_{e0})(n_{i0}/n_{e0})$ , where  $\rho$  is the mass density and  $\Gamma_e$  is the specific heat ratio. These results indicate that  $E_{\parallel}$  can be strong in strong magnetic fields. © 2008 American Institute of Physics. [DOI: 10.1063/1.2972159]

## I. INTRODUCTION

In the ideal magnetohydrodynamics, the electric field parallel to the magnetic field,  $E_{\parallel}$ , is exactly zero,<sup>1-3</sup> and it has been generally thought that  $E_{\parallel}$  is quite weak and thus its integral along the magnetic field,  $F = -\int E_{\parallel} ds$ , is small in low-frequency phenomena in high-temperature plasmas; since  $E_{\parallel}$  contains both longitudinal and transverse components, the quantity  $F$  will be referred to as the parallel pseudopotential in this paper. In some particle simulations on electron acceleration in magnetosonic shock waves, however, the observed values of  $F$  were quite large.<sup>4</sup> Recently, therefore, the parallel electric field in nonlinear magnetosonic waves has been quantitatively analyzed with theory and electromagnetic particle simulations.<sup>5</sup> The theory and simulations show that  $F$  can be large ( $E_{\parallel}$  can be intense), especially when the external magnetic field  $\mathbf{B}_0$  is strong. The parallel pseudopotential  $F$  is given as  $eF \sim \epsilon \Gamma_e T_e$  in small-amplitude pulses in a warm plasma with electron temperature  $T_e$ , where  $\epsilon$  is the wave amplitude, and  $\Gamma_e$  is the specific heat ratio of electrons. In a cold plasma such that  $\epsilon^2 m_i v_A^2 > \epsilon \Gamma_e T_e$ , where  $v_A$  is the Alfvén speed, however, it is given as  $eF \sim \epsilon^2 m_i v_A^2$ . Furthermore, it was found that the simulation results for large-amplitude shock waves with  $\epsilon \sim O(1)$  fit fairly well to the phenomenological relation  $eF \sim \epsilon(m_i v_A^2 + \Gamma_e T_e)$ .

The parallel electric field also plays a crucial role in the positron acceleration<sup>6</sup> in oblique shock waves in an electron-positron-ion ( $e-p-i$ ) plasma (for  $e-p-i$  plasmas, see, for instance, Refs. 7–16, and references therein). Indeed, the time rate of change of the Lorentz factor  $\gamma$  of a positron accelerated with this mechanism is proportional to  $E_{\parallel}$ , i.e.,  $\Omega_p^{-1} d\gamma/dt = (c/v_{sh})(\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B})/(\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{B}_0)$ , where  $\Omega_p$  is the positron gyrofrequency,  $v_{sh}$  is the shock propagation speed, and  $\mathbf{B}$  is the total magnetic field at the position of the positron. The Lorentz factors reached  $\sim 2000$  by the end of the simulation run,  $\omega_{pe} t = 5000$ . Furthermore, the simulations revealed an

important feature that the positron acceleration becomes weak as the positron density  $n_{p0}$  increases. This would also be explained if expressions for  $E_{\parallel}$  and  $F$  are known.

It is thus desirable to obtain the parallel electric field in  $e-p-i$  plasmas. A theory for nonlinear magnetosonic waves in  $e-p-i$  plasmas was developed in Ref. 17, which was, however, based on the cold plasma model ( $T=0$ ) and gave  $E_{\parallel} = 0$ ; the theory therefore cannot be used for the positron acceleration mentioned above. In this paper, extending the work of Ref. 5 to three-component plasmas, we study the parallel electric field  $E_{\parallel}$  and parallel pseudopotential  $F$  in nonlinear magnetosonic waves in an  $e-p-i$  plasma with theory and simulations.

In Sec. II, we derive the linear dispersion relation of magnetosonic waves propagating obliquely to an external magnetic field in an  $e-p-i$  plasma with finite temperatures. The dispersion relation depends on the propagation angle  $\theta$  as well as the densities and magnetic-field strength, and the dispersion vanishes in the long-wavelength region (the frequency  $\omega$  is proportional to the wavenumber  $k$ ) at a critical angle  $\theta_c$ . This angle decreases from  $\theta_c \approx 88^\circ$  to zero as the positron-to-electron density ratio rises from zero to unity. In Sec. III, we develop a nonlinear theory for small-amplitude waves and obtain  $E_{\parallel}$  and  $F$ . It is found that the parallel pseudopotential is proportional to  $\epsilon(\Gamma_e p_{e0} - \Gamma_p p_{p0})$  in a warm plasma, where  $p_{e0}$  and  $p_{p0}$  are, respectively, the electron and positron pressures. For the cold plasma with zero temperatures, we carry out higher order calculations and find that  $F$  is proportional to  $\epsilon^2 m_i v_A^2 / (1 + v_A^2/c^2)^3$ . In both cases,  $F$  decreases with increasing positron density, which accounts for the simulation result<sup>6</sup> that the positron acceleration becomes weak as  $n_{p0}$  increases. In a more detailed discussion, we also show the effect of the critical angle  $\theta_c$ . In Sec. IV, we examine  $E_{\parallel}$  and  $F$  by means of one-dimensional, fully kinetic, electromagnetic, particle simulations. First, we test the small-amplitude theory described in Sec. III and find that the simulation results are explained by the theory. Next, we observe  $F$  in large-amplitude shock waves with  $\epsilon \sim O(1)$  and

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find that the observed  $F$ 's are consistent with the phenomenological expression  $n_{e0}eF \sim \epsilon(\rho v_A^2 + \Gamma_e p_{e0})(n_{i0}/n_{e0})$ , where  $\rho$  is the mass density. In Sec. V, we summarize our work. It is mentioned that  $E_{\parallel}$  can be quite strong in high magnetic fields such as those around pulsars.

## II. LOW-FREQUENCY, LINEAR MAGNETOSONIC WAVE IN THREE-COMPONENT PLASMA WITH FINITE TEMPERATURES

We obtain here the linear dispersion relation for magnetosonic waves in a three-component plasma consisting of electrons, positrons, and ions with finite temperatures. The set of fluid equations may read as

$$\frac{\partial n_j}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (n_j \mathbf{v}_j) = 0, \quad (1)$$

$$n_j m_j \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{v}_j \cdot \nabla) \right] \mathbf{v}_j = n_j q_j \mathbf{E} + \frac{n_j q_j}{c} \mathbf{v}_j \times \mathbf{B} - \nabla p_j, \quad (2)$$

$$\left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{v}_j \cdot \nabla) \right] p_j = -\Gamma_j p_j \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}_j, \quad (3)$$

where the subscript  $j$  refers to the electrons ( $j=e$ ), positrons ( $j=p$ ), or ions ( $j=i$ ), and  $\Gamma_j$  denotes the specific heat ratio.

These equations are coupled with Maxwell equations. Since the phase velocity of the magnetosonic wave in an  $e$ - $p$ - $i$  plasma can be fast, comparable to the speed of light  $c$ , the displacement current is included.

By using the mass density,

$$\rho = \sum_j n_{j0} m_j, \quad (4)$$

where the subscript 0 refers to equilibrium quantities, we define the Alfvén speed  $v_A$  as

$$v_A = B_0 / (4\pi\rho)^{1/2} \quad (5)$$

and  $\tilde{v}_A$  as

$$\tilde{v}_A^2 = \frac{v_A^2}{1 + v_A^2/c^2}. \quad (6)$$

Furthermore, we introduce the speeds related to the thermal speeds  $v_{Tj} = (T_j/m_j)^{1/2}$ ,

$$c_j^2 = \Gamma_j v_{Tj}^2 = \Gamma_j \frac{p_{j0}}{n_{j0} m_j}. \quad (7)$$

From the above set of equations, we derive the linear dispersion relation of magnetosonic waves propagating in the  $x$  direction in an external magnetic field  $\mathbf{B}_0 = B_0(\cos\theta, 0, \sin\theta)$ . In the limit of  $\omega \rightarrow 0$ , we obtain

$$\frac{c^2}{\tilde{v}_A^2} - \frac{c^2}{v_{mp0}^2} - \frac{\sin^2\theta}{v_{mp0}^2} \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 c_j^2 / \Omega_j^2}{1 - c_j^2 \cos^2\theta / v_{mp0}^2} + \tan^2\theta \left( \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 / \Omega_j^2}{1 - c_j^2 \cos^2\theta / v_{mp0}^2} \right)^2 \Big/ \left( \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{1 - c_j^2 \cos^2\theta / v_{mp0}^2} \right) = 0, \quad (8)$$

where  $\omega_{pj}$  is the plasma frequency,  $\Omega_j$  is the gyrofrequency, and  $v_{mp0}$  is the phase velocity  $\omega/k$  in the low frequency limit (for the details of the calculations, see Appendix A). Assuming that the temperatures are low,

$$\frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \ll 1, \quad (9)$$

we ignore higher order terms of  $c_j^2/v_{mp0}^2$ . We then have

$$v_{mp0}^2 = \frac{v_A^2 + c_s^2 \sin^2\theta}{1 + v_A^2/c^2}, \quad (10)$$

where  $c_s$  is the sound speed,

$$c_s = \left( \frac{n_{i0}\Gamma_i T_{i0} + n_{p0}\Gamma_p T_{p0} + n_{e0}\Gamma_e T_{e0}}{n_{i0}m_i + n_{p0}m_p + n_{e0}m_e} \right)^{1/2}. \quad (11)$$

If we calculate the phase velocity up to the terms of order  $k^2$  (see Appendix B),

$$\frac{\omega}{k} = v_{mp0}(1 + \mu k^2), \quad (12)$$

we find the dispersion coefficient  $\mu$  as

$$\begin{aligned} \mu = & -\frac{v_{mp0}^2 \tilde{v}_A^2}{2c^2} \left[ \left( \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^4} \right) - \frac{\tilde{v}_A^2}{c^2 \sin^2\theta} \left( \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^3} \right)^2 \right] \\ & + \frac{\tilde{v}_A^2}{c^2} \sin^2\theta \left[ \left( \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 c_j^2}{\Omega_j^4} \right) - \frac{\tilde{v}_A^2}{c^2 \sin^2\theta} \left( \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^3} \right) \right. \\ & \times \left. \left( \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 c_j^2}{\Omega_j^3} \right) \right] + \frac{\tilde{v}_A^2}{c^2 \omega_p^2} \cos^2\theta \left( \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^3} \right) \\ & \times \left( \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 c_j^2}{\Omega_j^3} \right) - \frac{\tilde{v}_A^6 c_s^2}{2c^4 v_A^2 \tan^2\theta} \left( \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^3} \right)^2. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

The sign of  $\mu$  is important in nonlinear waves. The solitary wave of the magnetosonic wave becomes compressive or rarefactive, according to  $\mu < 0$  or  $\mu > 0$ .<sup>18-20</sup> In the limit of  $T_j=0$ , Eq. (13) reduces to

$$\mu = -\frac{\tilde{v}_A^4}{2c^2} \left[ \left( \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^4} \right) - \frac{\tilde{v}_A^2}{c^2 \sin^2\theta} \left( \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^3} \right)^2 \right]. \quad (14)$$

The critical angle  $\theta_c$ , at which  $\mu$  becomes zero, is given as

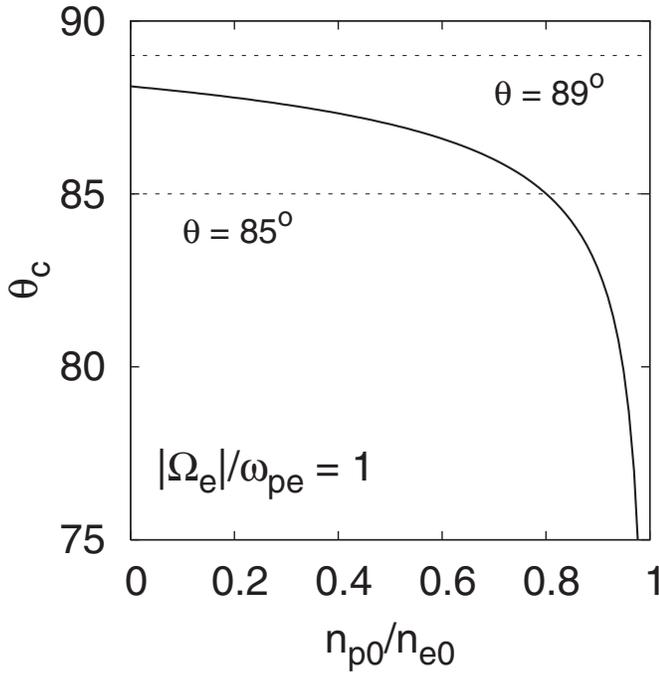


FIG. 1. Critical angle  $\theta_c$  as a function of  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$ . If the angle  $\theta$  is  $89^\circ$ , it is always greater than  $\theta_c$ . If the angle is  $85^\circ$ , it is smaller than  $\theta_c$  for  $n_{p0}/n_{e0} < 0.8007$ .

$$\sin \theta_c = \frac{(\bar{v}_A/c)(\sum_j \omega_{pj}^2/\Omega_j^3)}{(\sum_j \omega_{pj}^2/\Omega_j^4)^{1/2}} \quad (15)$$

for  $T_j=0$ ; we see that  $\mu > 0$  for  $0 < \theta < \theta_c$ , and  $\mu < 0$  for  $\theta_c < \theta < \pi/2$ . Figure 1 shows the dependence of the critical angle  $\theta_c$  given by Eq. (15) on the positron-to-electron density ratio for the case with  $m_i/m_e=1836$ ,  $-q_e=q_p=q_i=e$ , and  $|\Omega_e|/\omega_{pe}=1$ . As  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$  increases from zero to unity,  $\theta_c$  goes down from  $88.1^\circ$  to  $0^\circ$ . The decrease is particularly rapid for  $n_{p0}/n_{e0} \geq 0.8$ . If the propagation angle is  $\theta=89^\circ$ , for instance, it is greater than  $\theta_c$  at all values of  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$ . If  $\theta=85^\circ$ , however, it becomes equal to  $\theta_c$  at  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}=0.8007$ .

Outside the vicinities of  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}=1$  and the critical density ratio at which  $\mu$  becomes zero,  $|\mu|$  increases with increasing  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$ . For  $v_A^2/c^2 \ll 1$ , one finds that

$$\frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^4} = \frac{4\pi c^4}{e^2 B_0^4} n_{j0} m_j^3, \quad (16)$$

$$\frac{v_A^2}{c^2 \sin^2 \theta} \left( \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^3} \right)^2 = \frac{4\pi c^4}{e^2 B_0^4} \frac{n_{j0}^2 m_j^4}{\sin^2 \theta \rho}. \quad (17)$$

These relations indicate that the ion terms are dominant in Eq. (14). Moreover their difference,

$$\frac{\omega_{pi}^2}{\Omega_i^4} - \frac{v_A^2}{c^2 \sin^2 \theta} \frac{\omega_{pi}^4}{\Omega_i^6} \approx \frac{\omega_{pi}^2}{\Omega_i^4} \left[ \left( \frac{n_{e0} + n_{p0}}{n_{i0}} \right) \frac{m_e}{m_i} - \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{\sin^2 \theta} \right], \quad (18)$$

is also greater than both the electron and positron terms, i.e.,

$$\left| \frac{\omega_{pi}^2}{\Omega_i^4} - \frac{v_A^2}{c^2 \sin^2 \theta} \frac{\omega_{pi}^4}{\Omega_i^6} \right| \geq \frac{\omega_{pi}^2 m_e}{\Omega_i^4 m_i} \gg \frac{\omega_{pe}^2}{\Omega_e^4}, \quad (19)$$

except for the vicinities of  $(n_{e0}+n_{p0})/n_{i0} = (m_i/m_e) \cos^2 \theta / \sin^2 \theta$  and  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}=1$ . We thus have

$$\mu \approx - \frac{v_A^2}{2\Omega_i^2} \frac{n_{i0} m_i}{\rho} \left[ \left( \frac{n_{e0} + n_{p0}}{n_{i0}} \right) \frac{m_e}{m_i} - \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{\sin^2 \theta} \right], \quad (20)$$

which gives

$$\mu \sim - \frac{v_A^2}{2\Omega_i^2} \frac{(n_{e0} + n_{p0}) m_e}{\rho} \quad (21)$$

for  $\theta > \theta_c$  and

$$\mu \sim \frac{v_A^2}{2\Omega_i^2} \frac{(n_{e0} - n_{p0}) m_i \cos^2 \theta}{\rho \sin^2 \theta} \quad (22)$$

for  $\theta < \theta_c$ . Equations (21) and (22) both clearly show that  $|\mu|$  increases with increasing  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$ .

### III. NONLINEAR MAGNETOSONIC WAVES

Next, we obtain the parallel electric field,  $E_{\parallel} = (\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B})/B$ , and parallel pseudopotential,  $F = -\int E_{\parallel} ds$ , in nonlinear magnetosonic waves. We discuss the finite-temperature case in Sec. III A and zero-temperature case in Sec. III B. In both cases, using the smallness parameter  $\epsilon (\ll 1)$ , we introduce stretched coordinates,

$$\xi = \epsilon^{1/2}(x - v_{mp0}t), \quad (23)$$

$$\tau = \epsilon^{3/2}t, \quad (24)$$

and expand the plasma variables as<sup>18–20</sup>

$$n_j = n_{j0} + \epsilon n_{j1} + \epsilon^2 n_{j2} + \dots, \quad (25)$$

$$p_j = p_{j0} + \epsilon p_{j1} + \epsilon^2 p_{j2} + \dots, \quad (26)$$

$$v_{jx} = \epsilon v_{jx1} + \epsilon^2 v_{jx2} + \dots, \quad (27)$$

$$v_{jz} = \epsilon v_{jz1} + \epsilon^2 v_{jz2} + \dots, \quad (28)$$

$$E_y = \epsilon E_{y1} + \epsilon^2 E_{y2} + \dots, \quad (29)$$

$$B_z = B_0 \sin \theta + \epsilon B_{z1} + \epsilon^2 B_{z2} + \dots, \quad (30)$$

$$v_{jy} = \epsilon^{3/2} v_{jy1} + \epsilon^{5/2} v_{jy2} + \dots, \quad (31)$$

$$E_x = \epsilon^{3/2} E_{x1} + \epsilon^{5/2} E_{x2} + \dots, \quad (32)$$

$$E_z = \epsilon^{3/2} E_{z1} + \epsilon^{5/2} E_{z2} + \dots, \quad (33)$$

$$B_y = \epsilon^{3/2} B_{y1} + \epsilon^{5/2} B_{y2} + \dots. \quad (34)$$

#### A. Warm plasma

Applying the above expansion to the three-fluid model and retaining the first order of  $c_j^2/v_{mp0}^2$ , we obtain the following Korteweg–de Vries (KdV) equation (for the details, see Appendix C):

$$\frac{\partial B_{z1}}{\partial \tau} + \frac{1}{2} \nu v_{mp0} \frac{B_{z1}}{B_0} \frac{\partial B_{z1}}{\partial \xi} - \mu v_{mp0} \frac{\partial^3 B_{z1}}{\partial \xi^3} = 0, \quad (35)$$

where  $\nu$  is the nondimensional quantity defined as

$$\nu = \frac{\tilde{v}_A^2}{v_A^2} \sin^2 \theta \left[ 3 + \frac{c_s^2}{\tilde{v}_A^2} (-5 \sin^2 \theta + 3) + \frac{v_A^2 \sin^2 \theta}{\tilde{v}_A^2 c^2} \left( \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^2} c_j^2 \Gamma_j \right) \right]. \quad (36)$$

In this perturbation scheme, the lowest-order, parallel electric field is given as

$$E_{\parallel} = \epsilon^{3/2} (E_{x1} \cos \theta + E_{z1} \sin \theta). \quad (37)$$

Substituting Eq. (C28) in Eq. (37) yields

$$E_{\parallel} = \epsilon^{3/2} \frac{4\pi e (n_{e0} c_e^2 - n_{p0} c_p^2 - n_{i0} Z c_i^2)}{\omega_p^2} \sin \theta \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left( \frac{B_{z1}}{B_0} \right), \quad (38)$$

where  $Z$  is the ionic charge state,  $q_i = Ze$ , and  $\omega_p^2$  is defined as

$$\omega_p^2 = \sum_j \omega_{pj}^2. \quad (39)$$

From Eq. (38), we find the parallel pseudopotential as

$$eF_T = \epsilon \left( \frac{\omega_{pe}^2}{\omega_p^2} \Gamma_e T_e - \frac{\omega_{pp}^2}{\omega_p^2} \Gamma_p T_p - \frac{\omega_{pi}^2}{\omega_p^2} \frac{\Gamma_i T_i}{Z} \right) \sin \theta \frac{B_{z1}}{B_0}. \quad (40)$$

Here, we have used the subscript  $T$  to emphasize that  $F$  is a function of the temperatures in this case. Since  $m_e = m_p \ll m_i$ , the contribution of  $T_i$  is small;  $F_T$  is determined primarily by the difference of the electron and positron pressures. It is noted that as  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$  increases,  $F_T$  decreases. A comparison of  $E_{x1}$  [Eq. (C30)],  $E_{z1}$  [Eq. (C31)], and  $E_{\parallel}$  [Eq. (38)] shows that the terms mainly due to magnetic pressure disappear in  $E_{\parallel}$ , i.e., Eq. (C30) and the first term in Eq. (C31) cancel in the sum  $E_{x1} \cos \theta + E_{z1} \sin \theta$ .

If  $n_{p0}/n_{e0} = 1$  and  $T_p = T_e$ , the longitudinal electric field  $E_x$  vanishes, i.e., there appears no charge separation.<sup>8</sup> Moreover, as Eqs. (38) and (40) show,  $E_{\parallel}$  and  $F$  become zero, although  $E_{\parallel}$  contains the transverse component. In addition, Eqs. (C30), (C31), and (C37) indicate that  $E_{x1} = E_{z1} = B_{y1} = 0$ .

## B. Cold plasma

In the limit of  $T_j = 0$ , the parallel electric field Eq. (38) and pseudopotential Eq. (40) vanishes. We now discuss  $E_{\parallel}$  and  $F$  in this limit by taking into account higher order terms (for the details of calculation, see Appendix D). We may write the parallel electric field up to the second order terms as

$$E_{\parallel} = \frac{\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B}}{B} = \frac{\mathbf{E}_1 \cdot \mathbf{B}_0}{B_0} \left( 1 - \frac{\mathbf{B}_1 \cdot \mathbf{B}_0}{B_0^2} \right) + \frac{\mathbf{E}_1 \cdot \mathbf{B}_1}{B_0} + \frac{\mathbf{E}_2 \cdot \mathbf{B}_0}{B_0}. \quad (41)$$

If  $T_j = 0$ , the lowest order term becomes zero,

$$\frac{\mathbf{E}_1 \cdot \mathbf{B}_0}{B_0} = \epsilon^{3/2} (E_{x1} \cos \theta + E_{z1} \sin \theta) = 0. \quad (42)$$

Furthermore, we see from Eqs. (C7) and (C8) that the term  $\mathbf{E}_1 \cdot \mathbf{B}_1$  is zero even when  $T_j \neq 0$ ,

$$\mathbf{E}_1 \cdot \mathbf{B}_1 = \epsilon^{5/2} (E_{y1} B_{y1} + E_{z1} B_{z1}) = 0. \quad (43)$$

We thus have  $E_{\parallel} = \mathbf{E}_2 \cdot \mathbf{B}_0 / B_0$ . By virtue of Eqs. (D2), (D7), and (D8), we find the parallel electric field in the three-fluid model in the zero temperature limit as

$$E_{\parallel} = \epsilon^{5/2} (E_{x2} \cos \theta + E_{z2} \sin \theta) = \epsilon^{5/2} \frac{4\pi \tilde{v}_A^4}{B_0^2 \tan \theta} \left( \sum_j \frac{n_{j0} m_j^2}{q_j} \right) \left( \frac{c}{\omega_p} \right)^2 \frac{\partial^3}{\partial \xi^3} \left( \frac{B_{z1}}{B_0} \right), \quad (44)$$

from which we obtain the parallel pseudopotential as

$$F_B = -\epsilon^2 \frac{4\pi \tilde{v}_A^4}{B_0^2 \sin \theta} \left( \sum_j \frac{n_{j0} m_j^2}{q_j} \right) \left( \frac{c}{\omega_p} \right)^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \xi^2} \left( \frac{B_{z1}}{B_0} \right), \quad (45)$$

for which the magnetic pressure is important; the subscript  $B$  is used to show this. In the cold plasma approximation, the parallel pseudopotential is proportional to  $\epsilon^2$  and, if  $v_A^2 \ll c^2$ , proportional to  $B_0^2$ , which differs from the finite-temperature case in which  $F$  is proportional to  $\epsilon$  and to temperature. If  $n_{i0} \gg (m_e/m_i)n_{e0}$ , Eqs. (44) and (45) can be approximated as

$$eE_{\parallel} = \epsilon^{5/2} \frac{m_i \tilde{v}_A^2}{\tan \theta (1 + v_A^2/c^2)} \left( \frac{c}{\omega_p} \right)^2 \frac{\partial^3}{\partial \xi^3} \left( \frac{B_{z1}}{B_0} \right), \quad (46)$$

$$eF_B = -\epsilon^2 \frac{m_i \tilde{v}_A^2}{\sin \theta (1 + v_A^2/c^2)} \left( \frac{c}{\omega_p} \right)^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \xi^2} \left( \frac{B_{z1}}{B_0} \right). \quad (47)$$

In the limit of  $n_{p0} = 0$  ( $\omega_p \approx \omega_{pe}$ ), Eq. (47) reduces to  $F$  in the two-fluid model in the cold plasma limit.<sup>5</sup>

At  $n_{p0}/n_{e0} = 1$ , both  $E_{\parallel}$  and  $F$  are zero, which we see from Eqs. (44) and (45). Thus, the relation  $E_{\parallel} = 0$  holds for both warm and cold plasmas if  $n_{p0}/n_{e0} = 1$ .

For a stationary solitary pulse with a magnetic-field amplitude  $B_{z1} = B_{z1\text{peak}}$ , the peak value of  $F$  is given as

$$eF_{\text{peak}} = -\frac{m_i \tilde{v}_A^2}{4} \left[ \frac{(n_{e0} - n_{p0}) m_i}{\rho} \right] \times \left( \frac{1}{Z^2} - \frac{m_e^2}{m_i^2} \right) \frac{(c/\omega_p)^2}{\mu} \left( \frac{\tilde{v}_A}{v_A} \right)^4 \left( \frac{B_{z1\text{peak}}}{B_0} \epsilon \right)^2. \quad (48)$$

Figures 2 and 3 show the dependence of  $F_{\text{peak}}$  on the positron density; here, we have normalized  $F$  to the value of  $F$  at  $n_{p0} = 0$ . In Fig. 2, the propagation angle is  $\theta = 89^\circ$  and is greater than  $\theta_c$  for all values of  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$ . The value of  $F_{\text{peak}}$  monotonically decreases as  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$  varies from zero to unity. In Fig. 3,  $\theta$  is  $85^\circ$  and becomes equal to  $\theta_c$  at  $n_{p0}/n_{e0} = 0.8007$ ;  $F_{\text{peak}}$  diverges at this density ratio. Outside this small region, however,  $F_{\text{peak}}$  decreases with increasing  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$ . In fact, by substituting  $\mu$  given by Eqs. (21) and (22) in Eq. (48), we can express the dependence of  $F$  on  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$  for the case  $v_A^2 \ll c^2$  as

$$F \propto \frac{1 - n_{p0}/n_{e0}}{(1 + n_{p0}/n_{e0}) [1 + n_{p0}/n_{e0} + (1 - n_{p0}/n_{e0}) m_e/m_i]} \quad (49)$$

for  $\theta > \theta_c$  and

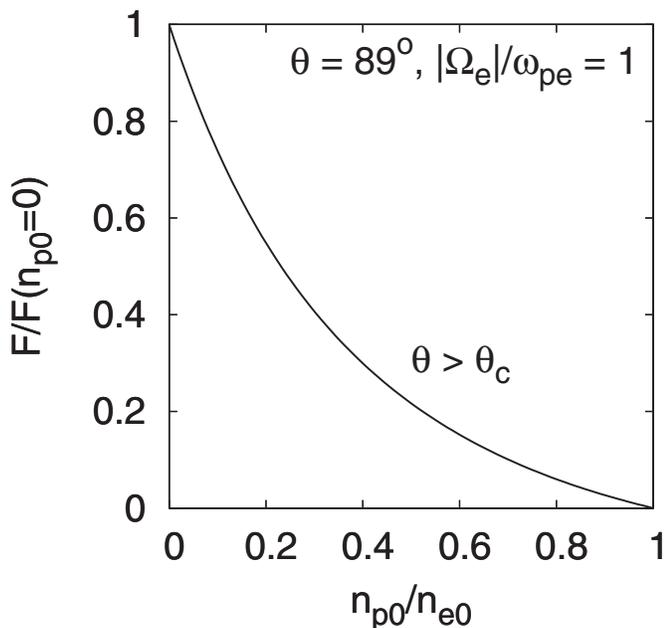


FIG. 2. Peak value of  $F$  of the solitary wave as a function of  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$ . Here,  $\theta$  is  $89^\circ$  and is greater than  $\theta_c$ .

$$F \propto \frac{1}{1 + n_{p0}/n_{e0} + (1 - n_{p0}/n_{e0})m_e/m_i} \quad (50)$$

for  $\theta < \theta_c$ . These indicate that except for the vicinity of the critical density ratio,  $F$  decreases with increasing  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$ .

The behavior of the electric potential  $\phi$  is quite different from that of  $F$ . We have an analytic expression for  $\phi$  as

$$\phi = \frac{\tilde{v}_A^4 B_0}{c^3 \sin \theta} \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^3} \left( \frac{B_{z1}}{B_0} \epsilon \right), \quad (51)$$

from which we see its density dependence as

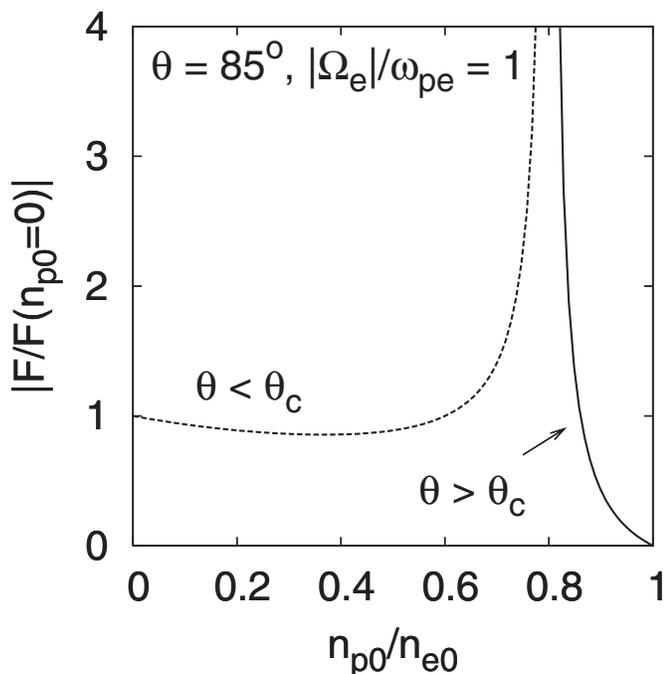


FIG. 3. Peak value of  $F$  of the solitary wave. Here,  $\theta$  is  $85^\circ$  and is smaller than  $\theta_c$  for  $n_{p0}/n_{e0} < 0.8007$ , for which  $F$  is negative.

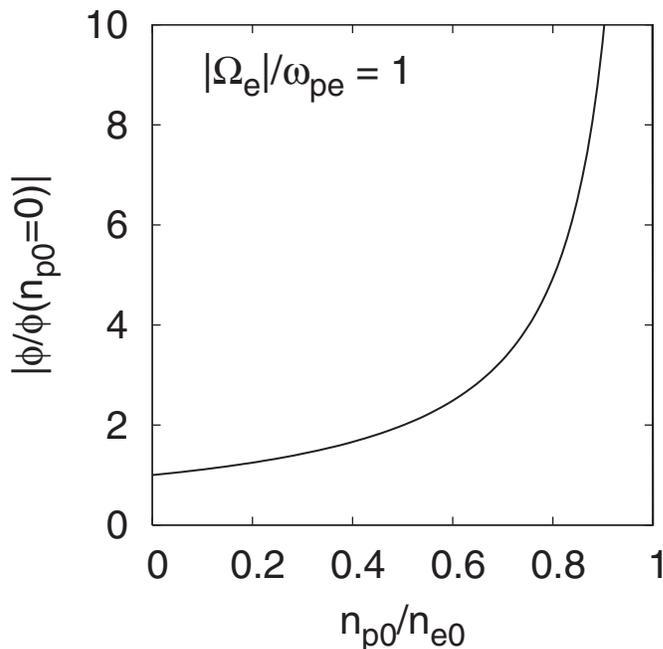


FIG. 4. Electric potential  $\phi$  vs  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$ . Although  $\theta$  is  $85^\circ$ , there is no singularity.

$$|\phi| \propto \tilde{v}_A^4 (n_{e0} - n_{p0}). \quad (52)$$

As  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$  rises,  $\tilde{v}_A$  and thus  $|\phi|$  increase. The electric potential does not diverge at any value of  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$ . Figure 4 shows the electric potential  $\phi$  as a function of  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$ ; the parameters are the same as those in Fig. 3. For most of the region,  $0 < n_{p0}/n_{e0} \leq 0.998$ ,  $\phi$  increases with  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$ . As shown in Fig. 5, it rapidly goes down to zero in a very narrow region,  $0.998 \leq n_{p0}/n_{e0} \leq 1$ .

In the simulations in the next section,  $F$  is mainly discussed, because  $E_{\parallel}$  is easily masked by thermal noise and is more difficult to measure. With the help of the relation

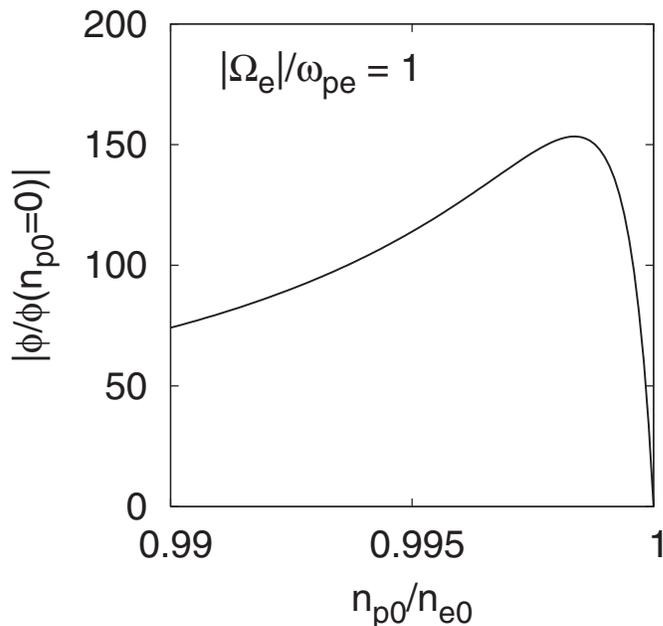


FIG. 5. Electric potential  $\phi$  near  $n_{p0}/n_{e0} = 1$ .

$$F = - \int E_{\parallel} ds = - \int E_{\parallel} \frac{B}{B_{x0}} dx, \quad (53)$$

we can make an order estimation of  $E_{\parallel}$  by using  $F$ ,

$$\langle E_{\parallel} \rangle \sim \frac{B_{x0} F}{\langle B \rangle \Delta}, \quad (54)$$

where  $\Delta$  is the width of a shock transition region (or the width of a soliton) and the brackets indicate the average over this region. Equation (54) is consistent with the relation between  $E_{\parallel}$  and  $F$  in warm plasmas [Eqs. (38) and (40)] and with that in cold plasmas [Eqs. (44) and (45)]. Similarly, we have  $\langle E_x \rangle \sim \phi / \Delta$  and find that

$$\frac{\langle E_{\parallel} \rangle}{\langle E_x \rangle} \sim \frac{B_{x0} F}{\langle B \rangle \phi}. \quad (55)$$

#### IV. SIMULATION OF WAVE EVOLUTION AND PARTICLE ACCELERATION

We now study the parallel electric field by means of one-dimensional, fully kinetic, electromagnetic, particle simulations,<sup>23</sup> in which we generate magnetosonic pulses and observe their propagation. We take the mass ratios to be  $m_i/m_e=400$  and  $m_p/m_e=1$ , with their charges  $q_i=q_p=-q_e$ . The speed of light is  $c/(\omega_{pe}\Delta_g)=10$ , where  $\Delta_g$  is the grid spacing, and the ion thermal velocity is fixed to be  $(T_i/m_i)^{1/2}/(\omega_{pe}\Delta_g)=0.013$ . We test high ( $F_T \gg F_B$ ) and low ( $F_B \gg F_T$ ) beta cases (beta is the ratio of thermal to magnetic pressures); in the former, the magnetic-field strength and electron thermal velocity are, respectively,  $|\Omega_e|/\omega_{pe}=0.5$  and  $v_{Te}/(\omega_{pe}\Delta_g)=2.0$  ( $T_e=60T_i$ ), and in the latter,  $|\Omega_e|/\omega_{pe}=1.0$  and  $v_{Te}/(\omega_{pe}\Delta_g)=0.26$  ( $T_e=T_i$ ). In both cases,  $T_p$  is equal to  $T_e$ .

We discuss small-amplitude pulses and shock waves separately below. In the former, the system length is  $L=2048\Delta_g$  with the total number of electrons  $N_e \approx 4.9 \times 10^6$ , while in the latter,  $L=16384\Delta_g$  with  $N_e \approx 6.1 \times 10^5$ . (We use a greater number of simulation particles for the small-amplitude case to reduce noise.<sup>24</sup>)

##### A. Small-amplitude pulses

First, we examine small-amplitude pulses and compare them with the nonlinear theory in Sec. III. Figure 6 shows the magnitude of  $F$  in a small-amplitude pulse with  $\theta=88^\circ$  as a function of  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$  for the case  $F_T \gg F_B$ . Both the theory (40) (solid line) and simulation results (dots) decrease with increasing  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$ . Here, since the theory (40) for  $F_T$  predicts that  $F$  is proportional to the amplitude  $\epsilon$  (and thus  $F/\epsilon$  should be independent of  $\epsilon$ ), we have plotted the values of  $F/\epsilon$ ; and they are normalized to the value of  $F/\epsilon$  at  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}=0$ . The pulse amplitudes used in Fig. 6 were in the range  $0.075 < B_{z1}/B_0 < 0.085$ .

The method of measurement of  $F$ , which is small and can be masked by thermal noise, is described in Ref. 5. We make use of the fact that other quantities such as  $B_z$  are much easier to measure. From the profiles of  $B_z(x, t_j)$  in a pulse at consecutive times  $t_j$  ( $j=1, 2, \dots, N$ ), we obtain the pulse speed  $v_{sh}$ . We then average the profiles of  $F(x - v_{sh}t_j, t_j)$  over time, which smooths out the fluctuations.

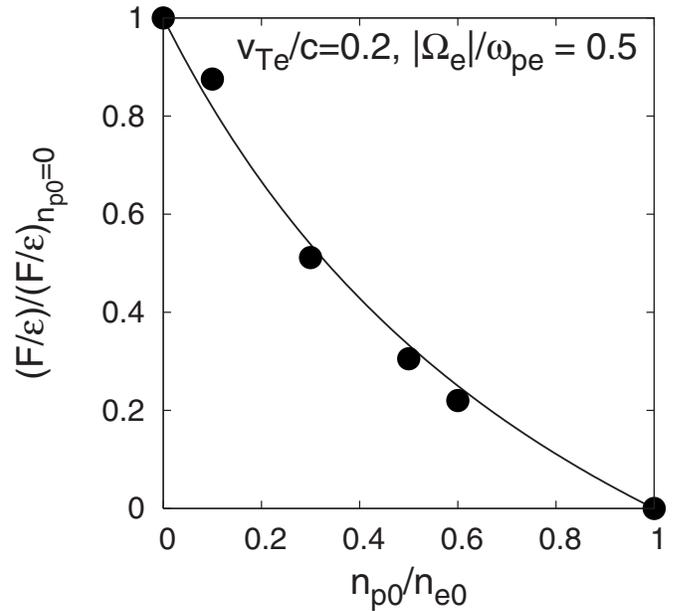


FIG. 6. Magnitude of  $F/\epsilon$  of small-amplitude pulse as a function of  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$  for the case  $F_T \gg F_B$ . Here,  $(F/\epsilon)_{n_{p0}=0}$  denotes the value of  $F/\epsilon$  at  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}=0$ .

Figures 7 and 8 show the dependence of  $F$  on the positron density for the case  $F_B \gg F_T$ , for which  $F$  given by Eq. (48) is proportional to  $\epsilon^2$ ; therefore  $F/\epsilon^2$  is plotted. In Fig. 7, the propagation angle ( $\theta=88^\circ$ ) is greater than  $\theta_c$  for all values of  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$ , and thus  $F$  monotonically decreases as  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$  rises from zero to unity. In Fig. 8, on the other hand, the propagation angle ( $\theta=85^\circ$ ) becomes equal to  $\theta_c$  at  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}=0.26$ , around which  $F$  becomes quite large. Outside the vicinity of this point,  $F$  decreases with increasing positron density. The amplitudes in Fig. 7 were in the range  $0.095 < B_{z1}/B_0 < 0.10$ , and those in Fig. 8 were in  $0.0087 < |B_{z1}/B_0| < 0.099$ .

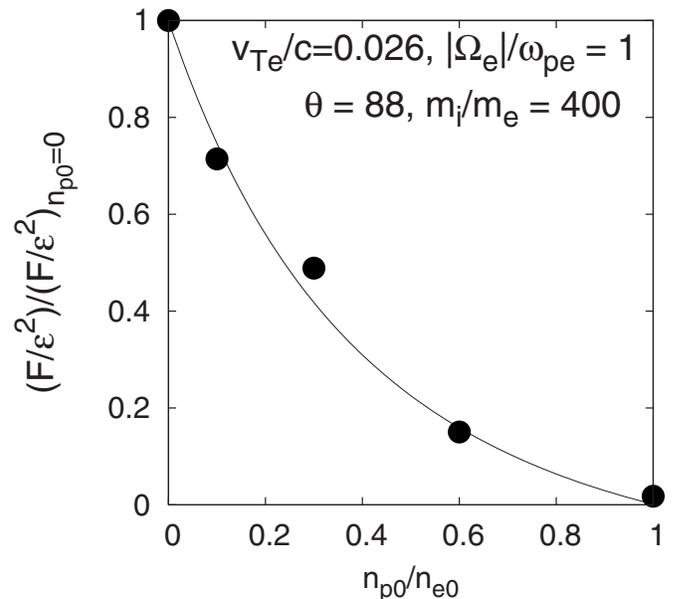


FIG. 7. Dependence of  $F/\epsilon^2$  on  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$  for the case  $F_B \gg F_T$ . Here, the propagation angle is  $88^\circ$  and is greater than  $\theta_c$ .

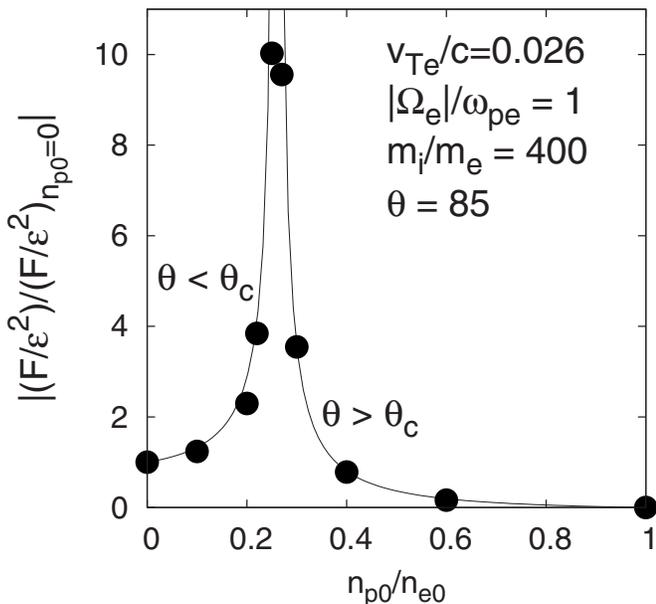


FIG. 8. Dependence of  $F/\epsilon^2$  on  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$  for the case  $F_B \gg F_T$ . Here, the propagation angle is  $85^\circ$  and becomes equal to  $\theta_c$  at  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}=0.26$ .

The dependence of the electric potential  $\phi$  on  $n_{p0}$  is quite different from that of  $F$ , as shown in Fig. 9, where the dots and white triangles show, respectively, the simulation values for  $\theta=88^\circ$  and  $\theta=85^\circ$  (other simulation parameters are the same as those in Figs. 7 and 8). The value of  $\phi$  increases with increasing positron density, except near the point  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}=1$ , at which  $\phi$  becomes zero. In Figs. 7–9, the theory and simulation results are consistent.

**B. Shock waves**

The theory in Sec. III and simulations in Sec. IV A were concerned with small-amplitude waves with  $\epsilon \ll 1$ . Here, we

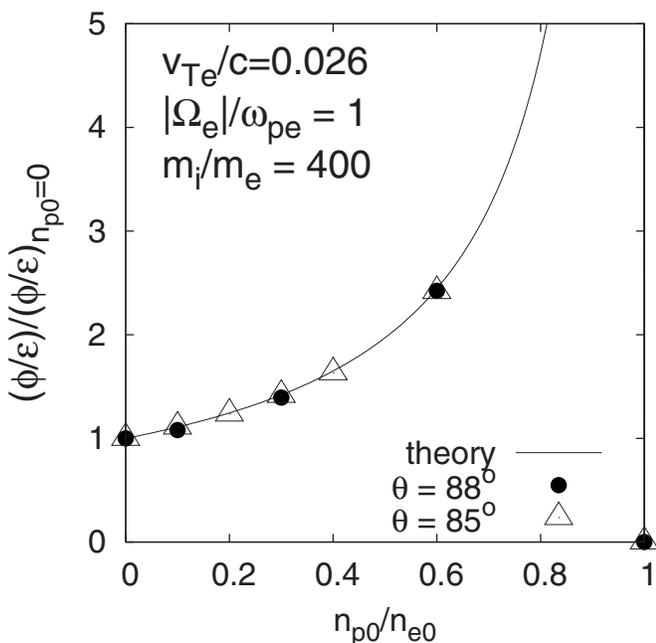


FIG. 9. Electric potential  $\phi/\epsilon$  vs positron density. The dots and triangles show, respectively, the simulation values for  $\theta=88^\circ$  and  $\theta=85^\circ$ .

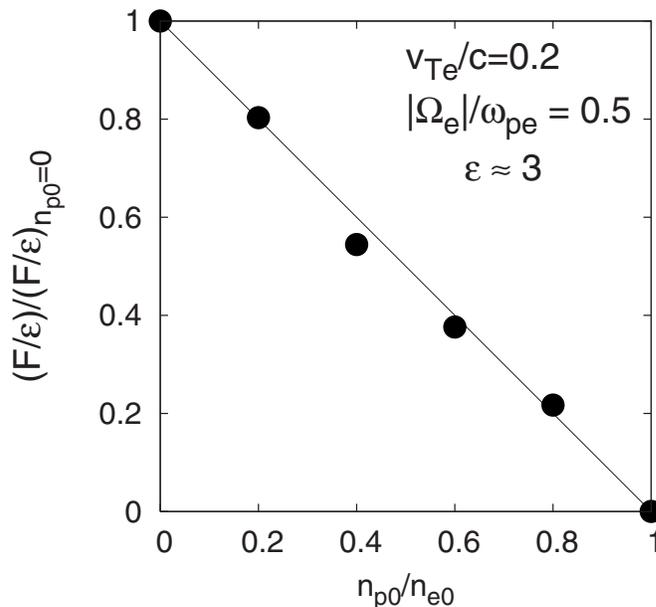


FIG. 10. Parallel pseudopotential  $F$  in the shock wave for the higher beta case. The propagation angle is  $\theta=60^\circ$ .

examine large-amplitude waves (shock waves) with  $\epsilon \sim O(1)$  with simulations. Figures 10 and 11 show  $F/\epsilon$  in shock waves with  $2 \leq \epsilon \leq 5$  and  $\theta=60^\circ$  as a function of the positron density. Although the plasma beta value in Fig. 10 and that in Fig. 11 are quite different, the simulation results fit fairly well to a phenomenological relation (solid line) in both cases. This relation is

$$eF \sim \left( \frac{B_0^2}{4\pi n_{e0}} + \Gamma_e T_e \right) \left( 1 - \frac{n_{p0}}{n_{e0}} \right) \frac{B_{z1}}{B_0}, \tag{56}$$

for which a rigorous mathematical theory has not been given yet. These results indicate that in large-amplitude waves, the term related to  $B_0^2$  and that to  $T_e$  are both proportional to the

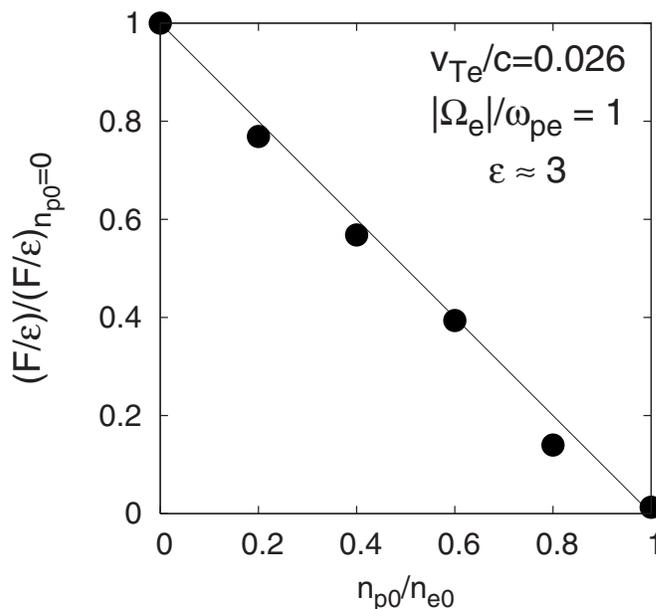


FIG. 11. Parallel pseudopotential  $F$  in the shock wave for the lower beta case.

amplitude  $\epsilon$  ( $=B_{z1}/B_0$ ), as in the case of two-component plasmas.<sup>5</sup>

We make a short mention of the measurement of  $F$  again. The profiles of  $B_z$  and  $F$  are not perfectly stationary; they tend to alternately have steep and diffusive profiles in the transition region.<sup>25</sup> For the data points for  $0 \leq n_{p0}/n_{e0} \leq 0.6$ , we have plotted the values of  $F$  averaged over a period  $\omega_{pe}t \approx 200$  for which the  $B_z$  profile was steep. At  $n_{p0}/n_{e0} = 0.8$ , however, since the nonstationarity of  $F$  is more enhanced, we have taken an average for a much longer time,  $\omega_{pe}t \approx 2000$ . Shock profiles become more unstable as  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$  increases. (At  $n_{p0}/n_{e0} = 1$ , however,  $F$  is always close to zero.) The time-dependence of shock profiles in  $e$ - $p$ - $i$  plasmas will be discussed elsewhere.

We may write Eq. (56) in terms of energy density as

$$n_{e0}eF \sim (\rho v_A^2 + \Gamma_e p_{e0}) \frac{n_{i0} B_{z1}}{n_{e0} B_0}. \quad (57)$$

We note that the parallel pseudopotential obtained for a shock wave in a two-component plasma,<sup>5</sup>

$$eF \sim (m_i v_A^2 + \Gamma_e T_e) \frac{B_{z1}}{B_0}, \quad (58)$$

can also be put into this form. That is, if we express  $F$  in the form of Eq. (57), it is applicable to both two- and three-component plasmas.

## V. SUMMARY

We have studied the parallel electric field in nonlinear magnetosonic waves in  $e$ - $p$ - $i$  plasmas with theory and fully kinetic, electromagnetic, particle simulations. The theory based on the three-fluid model predicts that the parallel pseudopotential  $F$  ( $=-\int E_{\parallel} ds$ ) in small-amplitude waves with  $\epsilon \ll 1$  is proportional to  $\epsilon(\Gamma_e p_{e0} - \Gamma_p p_{p0})$  in warm plasmas and to  $\epsilon^2 m_i v_A^2 / (1 + v_A^2/c^2)^3$  in cold plasmas. The dispersion coefficient  $\mu$  becomes zero at propagation angle  $\theta_c$ , which varies with  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$ . The effect of such angle has also been discussed. The magnitude of  $F$  decreases as  $n_{p0}/n_{e0}$  increases, except for the vicinity of the point at which  $\mu$  becomes zero. We then examined the parallel electric field with electromagnetic particle simulations, the result of which was explained by the present theory. Furthermore, for shock waves with  $\epsilon$

$\sim O(1)$ , the simulation values are found to be consistent with the phenomenological relation  $n_{e0}eF \sim \epsilon(\rho v_A^2 + \Gamma_e p_{e0}) \times (n_{i0}/n_{e0})$ .

These results indicate that  $E_{\parallel}$  can be strong in plasmas in high magnetic fields. This implies that extremely strong parallel electric fields can be generated around pulsars,<sup>7</sup> which rotate rapidly with very strong magnetic fields and can have  $e$ - $p$ - $i$  plasmas around them.

In addition, the expression for  $F$  in a shock wave, Eq. (57), indicates that some positrons can be reflected by the shock wave along the magnetic field when the magnetic field is weak as well as when it is strong. We see this because in the wave frame the flow speed of upstream positrons is  $\sim v_A$  for a low beta case and is  $\sim (T_e/m_i)^{1/2}$  for a high beta case and therefore the kinetic energy of the positrons entering the shock wave can be smaller than  $eF$  unless  $n_{i0}$  is very close to zero. Thus, even in high beta (weak magnetic field) cases, the parallel electric field can greatly affect the motions of positrons.

In the future, it would be desirable to obtain the phenomenological relation (57) with a rigorous theory. Furthermore, it will be interesting and important to develop a relativistic theory on the parallel electric field in extremely strong magnetic fields.<sup>26</sup>

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## APPENDIX A: LINEAR DISPERSION RELATION

We derive here the linear dispersion relation of the magnetosonic wave with a wavenumber  $\mathbf{k}=(k, 0, 0)$  in an  $e$ - $p$ - $i$  plasma in an external magnetic field  $\mathbf{B}_0=B_0(\cos \theta, 0, \sin \theta)$ .

We expand the variables as, for instance,

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B}_0 + \mathbf{B}_1 \exp[i(kx - \omega t)], \quad (A1)$$

and linearize the set of fluid equations. Then, after some algebra, we find the following relation:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ 1 - \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{R_j} - \frac{k^2}{\omega^2} \left( c^2 - \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 c_j^2}{R_j} \right) \right] \times \left\{ \left[ 1 - \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 (\omega^2 - \Omega_j^2)}{R_j \omega^2} \right] \left[ 1 - \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{R_j} - \frac{k^2}{\omega^2} \left( c^2 - \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 c_j^2}{R_j} \right) \right] \right. \\ & + \frac{1}{\omega^2} \left( \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 \Omega_j^2}{R_j} \right) \frac{k^2}{\omega^2} \left( c^2 - \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 c_j^2}{R_j} \right) \sin^2 \theta \left. - \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\omega^2} \left( \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 \Omega_j}{R_j} \right)^2 \left[ 1 - \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{R_j} - \frac{k^2}{\omega^2} \left( c^2 - \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 c_j^2}{R_j} \right) \right] \right\} \\ & - \frac{1}{\omega^4} \left( \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 \Omega_j^2}{R_j} \right) \left[ \left( \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 \Omega_j}{R_j} \right) - \left( \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 \Omega_j c_j^2}{R_j} \right) \frac{k^2}{\omega^2} \cos^2 \theta \right]^2 - \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{\omega^2} \left( 1 - \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{R_j} \right) \left[ \left( \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 \Omega_j}{R_j} \right) \right. \\ & \left. - \left( \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 \Omega_j c_j^2}{R_j} \right) \frac{k^2}{\omega^2} \right]^2 = 0, \quad (A2) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$R_j = \omega^2 - \Omega_j^2 - c_j^2 k^2 \left(1 - \frac{\Omega_j^2}{\omega^2} \cos^2 \theta\right). \quad (\text{A3})$$

Equation (A2) includes dispersion relations of several different plasma waves. We now consider low-frequency waves with  $\omega^2 \ll \Omega_j^2$  and approximate  $1/R_j$  as

$$\frac{1}{R_j} \approx -\frac{1}{\Omega_j^2(1 - c_j^2 k^2 \cos^2 \theta / \omega^2)}. \quad (\text{A4})$$

With use of the relations

$$\sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 / \Omega_j}{1 - c_j^2 k^2 \cos^2 \theta / \omega^2} = \frac{k^2}{\omega^2} \cos^2 \theta \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 c_j^2 / \Omega_j}{1 - c_j^2 k^2 \cos^2 \theta / \omega^2}, \quad (\text{A5})$$

$$\sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 / \Omega_j^2}{1 - c_j^2 k^2 \cos^2 \theta / \omega^2} = \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^2} + \frac{k^2}{\omega^2} \cos^2 \theta \times \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 c_j^2 / \Omega_j^2}{1 - c_j^2 k^2 \cos^2 \theta / \omega^2}, \quad (\text{A6})$$

$$\sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^2} = \frac{c^2}{v_A^2}, \quad (\text{A7})$$

$$1 + \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^2} = \frac{c^2}{\bar{v}_A^2}, \quad (\text{A8})$$

Eq. (A2) reduces, in the limit of  $\omega \rightarrow 0$ , to

$$\left(\frac{1}{\bar{v}_A^2} - \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{v_{p0}^2}\right) \left[\frac{c^2}{\bar{v}_A^2} - \frac{c^2}{v_{p0}^2} - \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{v_{p0}^2} \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 c_j^2 / \Omega_j^2}{1 - c_j^2 \cos^2 \theta / v_{p0}^2}\right] + \tan^2 \theta \left(\sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 / \Omega_j}{1 - c_j^2 \cos^2 \theta / v_{p0}^2}\right)^2 \left/\left(\sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{1 - c_j^2 \cos^2 \theta / v_{p0}^2}\right)\right. = 0, \quad (\text{A9})$$

where  $v_{p0}$  is the phase velocity  $\omega/k$  in the low frequency limit. The first parentheses give the shear Alfvén wave,  $v_{Ap0} = \bar{v}_A \cos \theta$ , and the square brackets give the magnetosonic wave (8). If the thermal speeds are low,  $c_j^2 / v_{mp0}^2 \ll 1$ , using the relation

$$\sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 c_j^2}{\Omega_j^2} = \frac{c^2 c_s^2}{v_A^2} \quad (\text{A10})$$

we obtain Eq. (10) from Eq. (8).

## APPENDIX B: LINEAR DISPERSION RELATION FOR SMALL BUT FINITE WAVENUMBERS

The magnetosonic wave has weak dispersion of the form (12). We here calculate the dispersion coefficient  $\mu$ .

We define the quantities  $\alpha_j$  and  $\beta_j$  as

$$\alpha_j = \frac{1}{(1 - c_j^2 k^2 \cos^2 \theta / \omega^2)}, \quad (\text{B1})$$

$$\beta_j = \frac{(1 - c_j^2 k^2 / \omega^2)}{(1 - c_j^2 k^2 \cos^2 \theta / \omega^2)^2}. \quad (\text{B2})$$

Then, since  $\omega^2 / \Omega_j^2 \ll 1$ , we can write  $1/R_j$  as

$$\frac{1}{R_j} \approx -\frac{1}{\Omega_j^2} \left(\alpha_j + \beta_j \frac{\omega^2}{\Omega_j^2}\right). \quad (\text{B3})$$

We substitute Eq. (B3) in Eq. (A2) and retain the terms up to  $\omega^2 / \Omega_j^2$ . Then, by virtue of the assumption that  $v_p^2 \gg c_j^2$ , where  $v_p = \omega/k$ , we find that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ \sum_j \omega_{pj}^2 \left(1 + \frac{c_j^2}{v_p^2} \cos^2 \theta\right) \right] \left[ \left(\frac{c^2}{\bar{v}_A^2} - \frac{c^2}{v_p^2} \cos^2 \theta\right) \left(\frac{c^2}{\bar{v}_A^2} - \frac{c^2}{v_p^2} - \frac{c^2 c_s^2}{v_p^2 v_A^2} \sin^2 \theta\right) + \left[ \sum_j \omega_{pj}^2 \left(1 + \frac{c_j^2}{v_p^2} \cos^2 \theta\right) \right] \left[ \left(\frac{c^2}{\bar{v}_A^2} - \frac{c^2}{v_p^2} \cos^2 \theta\right) \right. \right. \\ & \quad \times \left. \left[ \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^4} \left(1 - 2 \frac{c_j^2}{v_p^2} \sin^2 \theta\right) \right] + \left(\frac{c^2}{\bar{v}_A^2} - \frac{c^2}{v_p^2} - \frac{c^2 c_s^2}{v_p^2 v_A^2} \sin^2 \theta\right) \left[ \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^4} \left(1 - \frac{c_j^2}{v_p^2} \sin^2 \theta\right) \right] - \left[ \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^3} \left(1 - \frac{c_j^2}{v_p^2} \sin^2 \theta\right) \right]^2 \right] \omega^2 \\ & - \left(\frac{c^2}{\bar{v}_A^2} - \frac{c^2}{v_p^2} - \frac{c^2 c_s^2}{v_p^2 v_A^2} \sin^2 \theta\right) \left[ \left(\frac{c^2}{\bar{v}_A^2} + \frac{c^2 c_s^2}{v_p^2 v_A^2} \cos^2 \theta\right) \left(\frac{c^2}{\bar{v}_A^2} - \frac{c^2}{v_p^2} - \frac{c^2 c_s^2}{v_p^2 v_A^2} \sin^2 \theta\right) - \left(\frac{c^2}{\bar{v}_A^2} - \frac{c^2}{v_p^2} \cos^2 \theta\right) \right. \\ & \quad \times \left. \left(\frac{c^2}{v_A^2} + \frac{c^2 c_s^2}{v_p^2 v_A^2} \cos 2\theta\right) \right] \omega^2 - 2 \frac{\sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta}{v_p^2} \left(\sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2 c_j^2}{\Omega_j}\right) \left\{ \left(\frac{c^2}{\bar{v}_A^2} + \frac{c^2 c_s^2}{v_p^2 v_A^2} \cos^2 \theta\right) \left[ \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^3} \left(1 - 2 \frac{c_j^2}{v_p^2} \sin^2 \theta\right) \right] \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \left[ \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^3} \left(1 + \frac{c_j^2}{v_p^2} \cos 2\theta\right) \right] \left(\frac{c^2}{\bar{v}_A^2} - \frac{c^2}{v_p^2} - \frac{c^2 c_s^2}{v_p^2 v_A^2} \sin^2 \theta\right) \right\} \omega^2 = 0. \quad (\text{B4}) \end{aligned}$$

For small but finite wavenumbers, we write the phase velocity as

$$v_p(k) \simeq v_{mp0} + \delta v_p(k), \quad (\text{B5})$$

where  $\delta v_p(k)$  is much smaller than  $v_{mp0}$ . We multiply Eq. (B4) by  $v_p^6 v_A^4 / c^4$  and substitute Eq. (B5) for  $v_p$ . Then, calculating up to the terms of order  $k^2$ , and using the relation (10), we find that  $\delta v_p(k) = v_{mp0} \mu k^2$ , where  $\mu$  is the dispersion coefficient given by Eq. (13).

## APPENDIX C: DERIVATION OF THE KDV EQUATION

We derive the KdV equation for magnetosonic waves in an  $e$ - $p$ - $i$  plasma with finite temperatures.

### 1. Perturbations

We apply the stretching and expansion (23)–(34) to the set of basic fluid equations. Then, for instance, from the continuity equation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon^{3/2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} (n_{j0} v_{jx1} - v_{mp0} n_{j1}) + \epsilon^{5/2} \left[ \frac{\partial n_{j1}}{\partial \tau} - v_{mp0} \frac{\partial n_{j2}}{\partial \xi} \right. \\ \left. + n_{j0} \frac{\partial v_{jx2}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial (n_{j1} v_{jx1})}{\partial \xi} \right] + \dots = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C1})$$

Similarly, from Eqs. (2) and (3) and Maxwell equations, we have equations for perturbed quantities. From the lowest order equations, we obtain the following relations among the lowest order quantities:

$$n_{j1} = \frac{n_{j0}}{v_{mp0}} v_{jx1}, \quad (\text{C2})$$

$$v_{jy1} = -\frac{cE_{x1}}{B_0 \sin \theta} + \frac{v_{mp0}}{\Omega_j \sin \theta} \left( \frac{\Gamma_j p_{j0}}{m_j n_{j0} v_{mp0}^2} - 1 \right) \frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \xi}, \quad (\text{C3})$$

$$v_{jz1} = v_{jx1} \tan \theta - \frac{v_{mp0} B_{z1}}{B_0 \cos \theta}, \quad (\text{C4})$$

$$v_{jy1} = \frac{cE_{z1}}{B_0 \cos \theta} + \frac{v_{mp0}}{\Omega_j \cos \theta} \frac{\partial v_{jz1}}{\partial \xi}, \quad (\text{C5})$$

$$p_{j1} = \frac{\Gamma_j p_{j0}}{v_{mp0}} v_{jx1}, \quad (\text{C6})$$

$$E_{z1} = -\frac{v_{mp0}}{c} B_{y1}, \quad (\text{C7})$$

$$E_{y1} = \frac{v_{mp0}}{c} B_{z1}, \quad (\text{C8})$$

$$\sum_j n_{j0} q_j v_{jx1} = 0, \quad (\text{C9})$$

$$\sum_j n_{j0} q_j v_{jy1} = -\left(1 - \frac{v_{mp0}^2}{c^2}\right) \frac{\partial B_{z1}}{\partial \xi}, \quad (\text{C10})$$

$$\sum_j n_{j0} q_j v_{jz1} = 0. \quad (\text{C11})$$

### 2. Higher order quantities

The relations among the second lowest order terms ( $\sim \epsilon^2$  or  $\epsilon^{5/2} j$ ) may be written as

$$\frac{\partial n_{j1}}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} (n_{j1} v_{jx1}) - v_{mp0} \frac{\partial n_{j2}}{\partial \xi} + n_{j0} \frac{\partial v_{jx2}}{\partial \xi} = 0, \quad (\text{C12})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \tau} + \left(1 - \frac{\Gamma_j p_{j0}}{m_j n_{j0} v_{mp0}^2}\right) v_{jx1} \frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \xi} \\ + \Omega_j \frac{B_{y1}}{B_0} \left( v_{jx1} \tan \theta - \frac{v_{mp0} B_{z1}}{B_0 \cos \theta} \right) \\ - \Omega_j \frac{B_{z1}}{B_0} \left[ -\frac{cE_{x1}}{B_0 \sin \theta} + \frac{v_{mp0}}{\Omega_j \sin \theta} \right. \\ \left. \times \left( \frac{\Gamma_j p_{j0}}{m_j n_{j0} v_{mp0}^2} - 1 \right) \frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \xi} \right] - v_{mp0} \frac{\partial v_{jx2}}{\partial \xi} \\ - \Omega_j v_{jy2} \sin \theta - \Omega_j c \frac{E_{x2}}{B_0} + \frac{1}{m_j n_{j0}} \frac{\partial p_{j2}}{\partial \xi} = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C13})$$

$$\begin{aligned} v_{mp0} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left[ -\frac{cE_{x1}}{B_0 \sin \theta} + \frac{v_{mp0}}{\Omega_j \sin \theta} \left( \frac{\Gamma_j p_{j0}}{m_j n_{j0} v_{mp0}^2} - 1 \right) \frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \xi} \right] \\ - \Omega_j \frac{B_{z1}}{B_0} v_{jx1} + \Omega_j \frac{c}{B_0} E_{y2} + \Omega_j (v_{jz2} \cos \theta - v_{jx2} \sin \theta) \\ = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C14})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \left( v_{jx1} \tan \theta - \frac{v_{mp0} B_{z1}}{B_0 \cos \theta} \right) \\ + v_{jx1} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left( v_{jx1} \tan \theta - \frac{v_{mp0} B_{z1}}{B_0 \cos \theta} \right) - v_{mp0} \frac{\partial v_{jz2}}{\partial \xi} \\ - \Omega_j \left( \frac{c}{B_0} E_{z2} + \frac{B_{y1}}{B_0} v_{jx1} - v_{jy2} \cos \theta \right) = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C15})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\Gamma_j p_{j0}}{v_{mp0}} \frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\Gamma_j (\Gamma_j + 1) p_{j0}}{v_{mp0}} v_{jx1} \frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \xi} - v_{mp0} \frac{\partial p_{j2}}{\partial \xi} \\ + \Gamma_j p_{j0} \frac{\partial v_{jx2}}{\partial \xi} = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C16})$$

$$\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial B_{z1}}{\partial \tau} - \frac{v_{mp0}}{c} \frac{\partial B_{z2}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial E_{y2}}{\partial \xi} = 0, \quad (\text{C17})$$

$$\frac{4\pi}{c} \sum_j n_{j0} q_j \left( v_{jx2} + \frac{1}{v_{mp0}} v_{jx1} \right) - \frac{v_{mp0}}{c} \frac{\partial E_{x1}}{\partial \xi} = 0, \quad (\text{C18})$$

$$\frac{4\pi}{c} \sum_j n_{j0} q_j \left\{ v_{jy2} + \frac{1}{v_{mp0}} v_{jx1} \left[ -\frac{cE_{x1}}{B_0 \sin \theta} + \frac{v_{mp0}}{\Omega_j \sin \theta} \left( \frac{\Gamma_j p_{j0}}{m_j n_{j0} v_{mp0}^2} - 1 \right) \frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \xi} \right] \right\} + \frac{v_{mp0}}{c^2} \frac{\partial B_{z1}}{\partial \tau} - \frac{v_{mp0}}{c} \frac{\partial E_{x2}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial B_{z2}}{\partial \xi} = 0, \quad (\text{C19})$$

$$\frac{4\pi}{c} \sum_j n_{j0} q_j \left[ v_{jz2} + \frac{1}{v_{mp0}} v_{jx1} \left( v_{jx1} \tan \theta - \frac{v_{mp0} B_{z1}}{B_0 \cos \theta} \right) + \left( \frac{v_{mp0}^2}{c^2} - 1 \right) \frac{\partial B_{y1}}{\partial \xi} \right] = 0. \quad (\text{C20})$$

Here, by using Eqs. (C3) and (C4), we have eliminated  $v_{jy1}$  and  $v_{jz1}$ .

To derive the KdV equation, we eliminate higher order quantities, such as,  $n_{j2}$  and  $v_{jx2}$  from Eqs. (C12)–(C20). We substitute Eq. (C12) in Eq. (C13) to eliminate  $p_{j2}$ . From the resultant equation and Eqs. (C14) and (C15), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} v_{jy2} = & \frac{\sin \theta}{\Omega_j} \left[ 1 + \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} (1 + \cos^2 \theta) \right] \frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \tau} - \frac{\cos \theta}{\Omega_j} \left( 1 - \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \sin^2 \theta \right) \times \left[ \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} + v_{jx1} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \right) \left( v_{jx1} \tan \theta - \frac{v_{mp0} B_{z1}}{B_0 \cos \theta} \right) \right. \\ & - \Omega_j \left( \frac{c}{B_0} E_{z2} + \frac{B_{y1}}{B_0} v_{jx1} \right) \left. \right] - v_{mp0} \frac{\sin \theta}{\Omega_j} \left( 1 - \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \sin^2 \theta \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left[ \frac{cE_{x2}}{B_0 \sin \theta} - \frac{B_{z1}}{B_0 \sin \theta} v_{jx1} - \frac{v_{mp0}}{\Omega_j \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left[ \frac{cE_{x1}}{B_0 \sin \theta} \right. \right. \\ & + \left. \left. \frac{v_{mp0}}{\Omega_j \sin \theta} \left( 1 - \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \right) \frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \xi} \right] \right] - \left( 1 + \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \cos^2 \theta \right) \frac{cE_{x2}}{B_0} \sin \theta + \left[ 1 + \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} (\Gamma_j + \cos^2 \theta) \right] \frac{\sin \theta}{\Omega_j} v_{jx1} \frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \xi} \\ & + \left( 1 + \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \cos^2 \theta \right) \frac{B_{y1} \sin \theta}{B_0} \left( v_{jx1} \tan \theta - \frac{v_{mp0} B_{z1}}{B_0 \cos \theta} \right), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C21})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial v_{jz2}}{\partial \xi} = & \frac{\sin \theta \cos \theta}{v_{mp0}} \left[ 1 + \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} (1 + \cos^2 \theta) \right] \frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \tau} + \frac{v_{mp0} \cos \theta}{\Omega_j} \left( 1 - \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \sin^2 \theta \right) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \xi^2} \left[ \frac{cE_{x1}}{B_0 \sin \theta} + \frac{v_{mp0}}{\Omega_j \sin \theta} \left( 1 - \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \right) \frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \xi} \right] \\ & - \frac{c \cos \theta}{B_0} \left( 1 - \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \sin^2 \theta \right) \frac{\partial E_{y2}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{B_{z1} \cos \theta}{B_0} \left( 1 - \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \sin^2 \theta \right) \frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\cos \theta}{B_0} \left( 1 - \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \sin^2 \theta \right) \\ & \times \left( B_{z1} \frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \xi} + v_{jx1} \frac{\partial B_{z1}}{\partial \xi} \right) - \frac{\Omega_j c E_{x2}}{B_0 v_{mp0}} \sin \theta \cos \theta \left( 1 + \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \cos^2 \theta \right) + \frac{\Omega_j B_{z1} c E_{x1}}{B_0^2 v_{mp0}} \cos \theta \left( 1 + \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \cos^2 \theta \right) \\ & - \frac{\Omega_j \sin^2 \theta}{B_0 v_{mp0}} \left( c E_{z2} + \frac{B_{y1} v_{mp0} B_{z1}}{B_0 \sin \theta} \right) \left( 1 + \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \cos^2 \theta \right) + \left[ \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} + v_{jx1} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \right) \left( v_{jx1} \tan \theta - \frac{v_{mp0} B_{z1}}{B_0 \cos \theta} \right) \right] \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{v_{mp0}} \\ & \times \left( 1 + \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \cos^2 \theta \right) + \frac{\sin \theta \cos \theta}{v_{mp0}} \left[ 1 + \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} (\Gamma_j + \cos^2 \theta) \right] v_{jx1} \frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \xi}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C22})$$

Here, we have ignored the terms higher than  $\sim c_j^2/v_{mp0}^2$ .

We substitute Eqs. (C21) and (C22) in Eqs. (C19) and (C20), respectively, to eliminate  $v_{jy2}$  and  $v_{jz2}$ . From these equations and Eq. (C17), by eliminating  $B_{z2}$ , we have the two equations, from which we eliminate  $E_{x2}$  and  $E_{z2}$  simultaneously to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{4\pi}{c} \sum_j n_{j0} q_j \left\{ 2 \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{\Omega_j} \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \right) \frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \tau} + \frac{v_{mp0}}{B_0 \Omega_j} \left( 1 - \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \sin^2 \theta \right) \frac{\partial B_{z1}}{\partial \tau} + \left[ \frac{\sin \theta}{\Omega_j} \left( \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} (1 + \Gamma_j) + \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} \left( \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} - 1 \right) \right) \right. \right. \\ & - \left. \left. \frac{3 \sin \theta}{A} \left( \sum_k n_{k0} q_k \frac{c_k^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \right) \right] v_{jx1} \frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{2v_{mp0}}{B_0 \Omega_j} \left( 1 - \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \sin^2 \theta \right) \frac{\partial B_{z1} v_{jx1}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{v_{mp0}^2}{\Omega_j^2 \sin \theta} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \xi^2} \left[ \frac{cE_{x1}}{B_0} + \frac{v_{mp0}}{\Omega_j} \left( 1 - \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \right) \frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \xi} \right] \right. \\ & \times \left( 1 - \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \sin^2 \theta \right) - \frac{v_{mp0}^2 \cos^2 \theta}{A \Omega_j \sin \theta} \left( \sum_k n_{k0} q_k \frac{c_k^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \right) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \xi^2} \left( \frac{cE_{x1}}{B_0} + \frac{v_{mp0}}{\Omega_j} \frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \xi} \right) + \frac{B_{z1} \cos^2 \theta}{B_0^2} \left[ \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} - \frac{\Omega_j}{A} \left( \sum_k n_{k0} q_k \frac{c_k^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \right) \right] \\ & \left. \times (cE_{x1} - v_{mp0} B_{y1} \tan \theta) \right\} + \frac{1}{v_{mp0}} \left( \frac{v_{mp0}^2}{c^2} + 1 \right) \frac{\partial B_{z1}}{\partial \tau} - \frac{v_{mp0} \cos \theta}{A} \left( \sum_k n_{k0} q_k \frac{c_k^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \right) \left( \frac{v_{mp0}^2}{c^2} - 1 \right) \frac{\partial^2 B_{y1}}{\partial \xi^2} = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C23})$$

where the subscript  $k$ , as well as  $j$ , denotes particle species, and the quantity  $A$  is defined as

$$A = \frac{B_0}{4\pi c} \sum_k \omega_{pk}^2 \left( 1 + \frac{c_k^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \cos^2 \theta \right). \quad (\text{C24})$$

Since we have ignored the terms of order  $(c_j^2/v_{mp0}^2)^2$ , the terms related to  $E_{y2}$  have vanished.

We have obtained Eq. (C23) by using the  $y$  and  $z$  components of Ampère's law. Next, we use its  $x$  and  $z$  components to obtain another different equation. We eliminate  $v_{jz2}$  from Eqs. (C20) and (C14), and then eliminate  $v_{jx2}$  with the aid of Eq. (C18) to have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{4\pi}{c} \sum_j n_{j0} q_j \left\{ \frac{v_{mp0}}{\Omega_j \cos \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left[ \frac{cE_{x1}}{B_0 \sin \theta} + \frac{v_{mp0}}{\Omega_j \sin \theta} \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \times \left( 1 - \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \right) \frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \xi} \right] \right\} + \left( \frac{v_{mp0}^2}{c^2} - 1 \right) \frac{\partial B_{y1}}{\partial \xi} \\ + \frac{v_{mp0}}{c} \tan \theta \frac{\partial E_{x1}}{\partial \xi} = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C25})$$

which, by virtue of Eq. (A7), becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{v_{mp0}}{c} \left( \frac{c^2}{v_A^2} + \sin^2 \theta \right) E_{x1} + \left( \frac{v_{mp0}^2}{c^2} - 1 \right) \sin \theta \cos \theta B_{y1} \\ + \frac{B_0 v_{mp0}^2}{c^2} \sum_j \left[ \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^3} \left( 1 - \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \right) \frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \xi} \right] = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C26})$$

### 3. Lowest order quantities and the KdV equation

Now we express all the lowest order quantities in terms of  $B_{z1}$ . From Eqs. (C3)–(C5), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \xi} = - \frac{c\Omega_j}{v_{mp0} B_0} \cos \theta \left( 1 + \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \cos^2 \theta \right) (E_{x1} \cos \theta \\ + E_{z1} \sin \theta) + \frac{v_{mp0}}{B_0} \sin \theta \left( 1 + \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \cos^2 \theta \right) \frac{\partial B_{z1}}{\partial \xi}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C27})$$

By substituting Eq. (C27) in Eq. (C9), we obtain

$$E_{x1} \cos \theta + E_{z1} \sin \theta \simeq \frac{1}{c} \frac{\sum_j (\omega_{pj}^2/\Omega_j) c_j^2}{\omega_p^2} \sin \theta \cos \theta \frac{\partial B_{z1}}{\partial \xi}. \quad (\text{C28})$$

We substitute Eq. (C27) in Eq. (C26). Then, with the aid of Eqs. (A7), (A10), and (C7), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{v_{mp0}}{c} \left[ \frac{c^2}{v_A^2} \sin^2 \theta \left( 1 + \frac{c_s^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \cos^2 \theta \right) + \sin^2 \theta \right] E_{x1} \\ + \frac{v_{mp0}}{c} \left[ \left( \frac{c^2}{v_{mp0}^2} - 1 \right) - \frac{c^2}{v_A^2} \left( 1 - \frac{c_s^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \right) \right] \\ \times \sin \theta \cos \theta E_{z1} + \frac{v_{mp0}^3}{c^2} \\ \times \sin \theta \sum_j \left[ \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^3} \left( 1 - \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \right) \right] \frac{\partial B_{z1}}{\partial \xi} = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C29})$$

From (C28) and (C29), we have

$$E_{x1} = - \left( \frac{v_A^2}{v_A^2 + c_s^2} \right) \frac{v_{mp0}^4}{c^3 \sin \theta} \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^3} \left( 1 - \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \sin^2 \theta \right) \frac{\partial B_{z1}}{\partial \xi}, \quad (\text{C30})$$

$$\begin{aligned} E_{z1} = \left[ \left( \frac{v_A^2}{v_A^2 + c_s^2} \right) \frac{v_{mp0}^4 \cos \theta}{c^3 \sin^2 \theta} \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^3} \left( 1 - \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \sin^2 \theta \right) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\sum_j (\omega_{pj}^2/\Omega_j) c_j^2}{\omega_p^2} \cos \theta \right] \frac{\partial B_{z1}}{\partial \xi}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C31})$$

Also, from Eqs. (C27) and (C28), we find  $v_{jx1}$  as

$$\begin{aligned} v_{jx1} = v_{mp0} \left[ - \frac{\Omega_j}{v_{mp0}^2} \frac{\sum_j (\omega_{pj}^2/\Omega_j) c_j^2}{\omega_p^2} \sin \theta \cos^2 \theta \right. \\ \left. + \sin \theta \left( 1 + \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \cos^2 \theta \right) \right] \frac{B_{z1}}{B_0}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C32})$$

Substituting Eq. (C32) in Eqs. (C2), (C4), and (C6), we obtain, respectively,

$$\begin{aligned} n_{j1} = n_{j0} \left[ - \frac{\Omega_j}{v_{mp0}^2} \frac{\sum_j (\omega_{pj}^2/\Omega_j) c_j^2}{\omega_p^2} \sin \theta \cos^2 \theta \right. \\ \left. + \sin \theta \left( 1 + \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \cos^2 \theta \right) \right] \frac{B_{z1}}{B_0}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C33})$$

$$\begin{aligned} v_{jz1} = v_{mp0} \left[ - \frac{\Omega_j}{v_{mp0}^2} \frac{\sum_j (\omega_{pj}^2/\Omega_j) c_j^2}{\omega_p^2} \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta \right. \\ \left. + \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\cos \theta} \left( 1 + \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \cos^2 \theta \right) - \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \right] \frac{B_{z1}}{B_0}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C34})$$

$$\begin{aligned} p_{j1} = \Gamma_j p_{j0} \left[ - \frac{\Omega_j}{v_{mp0}^2} \frac{\sum_j (\omega_{pj}^2/\Omega_j) c_j^2}{\omega_p^2} \sin \theta \cos^2 \theta \right. \\ \left. + \sin \theta \left( 1 + \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \cos^2 \theta \right) \right] \frac{B_{z1}}{B_0}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C35})$$

With the help of Eqs. (C30) and (C32), Eq. (C3) becomes

$$v_{jy1} = \left\{ \left( \frac{v_A^2}{v_A^2 + c_s^2} \right) \frac{v_{mp0}^4}{B_0 c^2 \sin^2 \theta} \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^3} \left( 1 - \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \sin^2 \theta \right) + \left( \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} - 1 \right) \left[ -\frac{1}{B_0} \frac{\sum_j (\omega_{pj}^2 / \Omega_j) c_j^2}{\omega_p^2} \cos^2 \theta + \frac{v_{mp0}^2}{B_0 \Omega_j} \left( 1 + \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \cos^2 \theta \right) \right] \right\} \frac{\partial B_{z1}}{\partial \xi}. \quad (\text{C36})$$

From Eqs. (C7) and (C31), we find that

$$B_{y1} = - \left[ \left( \frac{v_A^2}{v_A^2 + c_s^2} \right) \frac{v_{mp0}^3 \cos \theta}{c^2 \sin^2 \theta} \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^3} \left( 1 - \frac{c_j^2}{v_{mp0}^2} \sin^2 \theta \right) + \frac{1}{v_{mp0}} \frac{\sum_j (\omega_{pj}^2 / \Omega_j) c_j^2}{\omega_p^2} \cos \theta \right] \frac{\partial B_{z1}}{\partial \xi}. \quad (\text{C37})$$

If we substitute the lowest order quantities expressed in terms of  $B_{z1}$  in Eq. (C23), then, using Eqs. (10), (A7), and (A10), we obtain the KdV equation (35).

#### APPENDIX D: PARALLEL ELECTRIC FIELD IN THE COLD PLASMA LIMIT

By calculating up to the second lowest order terms, we obtain the parallel electric field in a cold plasma.

For  $T_j=0$ , with the aid of Eqs. (C28), (C30), and (C32), we find that

$$E_{x1} \cos \theta + E_{z1} \sin \theta = 0, \quad (\text{D1})$$

$$E_{x1} = - \frac{\tilde{v}_A^4}{c^3 \sin \theta} \sum_j \frac{\omega_{pj}^2}{\Omega_j^3} \frac{\partial B_{z1}}{\partial \xi}, \quad (\text{D2})$$

$$v_{jx1} = \tilde{v}_A \frac{B_{z1}}{B_0} \sin \theta, \quad (\text{D3})$$

and with the use of Eqs. (C7) and (D1), Eq. (C13) reduces to

$$\frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \tau} - \tilde{v}_A \frac{\partial v_{jx2}}{\partial \xi} + \left( v_{jx1} + \frac{\tilde{v}_A B_{z1}}{B_0 \sin \theta} \right) \frac{\partial v_{jx1}}{\partial \xi} + \Omega_j \left( \frac{B_{y1}}{B_0} v_{jx1} \tan \theta - v_{jy2} \sin \theta - \frac{c E_{x2}}{B_0} \right) = 0. \quad (\text{D4})$$

Since, as Eq. (D3) shows,  $v_{jx1}$  is independent of particle species, we obtain from Eqs. (C18) and (C20)

$$\sum_j n_{j0} q_j v_{jx2} = \frac{\tilde{v}_A}{4\pi} \frac{\partial E_{x1}}{\partial \xi}, \quad (\text{D5})$$

$$\sum_j n_{j0} q_j v_{jz2} = \frac{\tilde{v}_A}{4\pi \tan \theta} \left( \frac{c^2}{\tilde{v}_A^2} - 1 \right) \frac{\partial E_{x1}}{\partial \xi}, \quad (\text{D6})$$

where use has been made of the relations (C7) and (D1).

We multiply Eq. (D4) by  $n_{j0} q_j$  and sum over particle species  $j$ . Then, substituting Eq. (D5) for  $v_{jx2}$  yields

$$- \frac{\tilde{v}_A^2}{4\pi} \frac{\partial^2 E_{x1}}{\partial \xi^2} + \sum_j n_{j0} q_j \Omega_j \times \left( \frac{B_{y1}}{B_0} v_{jx1} \tan \theta - v_{jy2} \sin \theta - \frac{c E_{x2}}{B_0} \right) = 0. \quad (\text{D7})$$

Similarly, from Eqs. (C15) and (D6), it follows that

$$\frac{\tilde{v}_A^2}{4\pi \tan \theta} \left( 1 - \frac{c^2}{\tilde{v}_A^2} \right) \frac{\partial^2 E_{x1}}{\partial \xi^2} - \sum_j n_{j0} q_j \Omega_j \left( \frac{B_{y1}}{B_0} v_{jx1} - v_{jy2} \cos \theta + \frac{c E_{z2}}{B_0} \right) = 0. \quad (\text{D8})$$

Combining Eqs. (D2), (D7), and (D8), we find the parallel electric field (44) in the cold plasma limit.

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