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Kinetic Full Wave Analyses in Inhomogeneous Plasmas

Using Integral Form of Dielectric Tensor

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Outline

- What is kinetic full wave analysis?
- How to obtain integral form of dielectric tensor?
- Magnetized plasma:
 - parallel motion:
 - inhomogeneous magnetic field
 - perpendicular motion:
 - Finite Larmor radius effects
 - Bernstein wave
- Summary

Analysis of waves in inhomogeneous plasmas

- **Maxwell's equation:** $E(\mathbf{r}, t)$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = -\nabla \times \mathbf{E}, \quad \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} = \nabla \times \mathbf{B} - \mu_0 \sum_s \mathbf{J}_s - \mu_0 \mathbf{J}_{\text{ext}}$$

- **conductivity tensor** $\overleftrightarrow{\sigma}_s: \mathbf{J}_s = \overleftrightarrow{\sigma}_s \cdot \mathbf{E}$ (particle, kinetic, fluid)

- **Full wave analysis:** angular frequency ω : $E(\mathbf{r}) \exp(-i\omega t)$

$$\nabla \times \nabla \times \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \int d\mathbf{r}' \overleftrightarrow{\epsilon}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') \cdot \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}') = i\omega \mu_0 \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r})_{\text{ext}}$$

- **dielectric tensor:** $\overleftrightarrow{\epsilon} = \overleftrightarrow{I} + (i/\omega\epsilon_0) \sum_s \overleftrightarrow{\sigma}_s$

- **Geometrical optics:** wave number \mathbf{k} : $E \exp(i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r} - i\omega t)$

- **Ray tracing:** time evolution of wave packet

$$\frac{d\mathbf{k}}{dt} = -\frac{\partial D}{\partial \mathbf{r}} \Bigg/ \frac{\partial D}{\partial \omega}, \quad \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} = \mathbf{v}_g = \frac{\partial D}{\partial \mathbf{k}} \Bigg/ \frac{\partial D}{\partial \omega}$$

- **Dispersion rel.:** $D(\mathbf{k}, \omega; \mathbf{r}) = \det \left[(c^2/\omega^2) \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{k} \times + \overleftrightarrow{\epsilon}(\mathbf{k}, \omega) \right] = 0$

Why kinetic full wave analysis is required?

- **Full wave analyses** can describe
 - **Tunneling of evanescent layer**
 - **Formation of a standing wave**
 - **Coupling with finite size antenna**
- **Kinetic effects** to be included
 - **Wave-particle resonant interaction**: Landau/cyclotron damping
 - **Finite Larmor radius effects**: Bernstein waves
 - **Thermal waves**: ion acoustic waves
- **Inhomogeneous effects** to be taken into account
 - **Density gradient sustained by sheath potential**: $n = n_0 \exp(-z/L)$
 - **Inhomogeneous magnetic field**: $B = B_0(1 + z/L)$
 - **Cyclotron resonance near the extremum of B** : $B = B_0(1 + z^2/L^2)$
- **Strong inhomogeneity** and/or **strong kinetic effects**

$$\frac{v_T}{\omega} \gg L, \quad \rho_c = \frac{v_T}{\omega_c} \gg \lambda_{\perp}$$

Previous approaches of kinetic full wave analyses

- **Cold wave number approach**: no kinetic modes
 - Use k_{cold} from the dispersion relation in a cold uniform plasma

$$\nabla \times \nabla \times E(\mathbf{r}) - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \overleftrightarrow{\epsilon}(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{k}_{\text{cold}}) \cdot E(\mathbf{r}) = i \omega \mu_0 J_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{r})$$

- **Differential operator approach** [1]: difficult for higher order
 - Expand $\overleftrightarrow{\epsilon}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{k})$ with respect to \mathbf{k} and replace \mathbf{k} by $-i \nabla$

$$\nabla \times \nabla \times E(\mathbf{r}) - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \overleftrightarrow{\epsilon}(\mathbf{r}; -i \nabla) \cdot E(\mathbf{r}) = i \omega \mu_0 J_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{r})$$

- **Spectral approach** [2]: large dense matrix has to be solved
 - Fourier transform in the direction of inhomogeneity \mathbf{r}

$$-k \times k \times E(\mathbf{k}) - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}'} \overleftrightarrow{\epsilon}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}') \cdot E(\mathbf{k}') = i \omega \mu_0 J_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{k})$$

- **Inverse Fourier transform of $\overleftrightarrow{\epsilon}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{k})$** [3]: based on uniform $\overleftrightarrow{\epsilon}$

[1] Fukuyama et al., CPR (1986), [2] Jaeger et al. PoP (2000), [3] Sauter et al., NF (1992)

How to obtain integral form of dielectric tensor?

- **Vlasov equation:**

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{r}} + \frac{q}{m} (\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}) \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{v}} = 0$$

- **Linearization:** angular frequency ω (complex, in general)

$$f(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{v}, t) = f_0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{v}) + f(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{v}) e^{-i\omega t}$$

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) e^{-i\omega t}$$

$$\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \mathbf{B}_0(\mathbf{r}) + \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}) e^{-i\omega t}$$

- **Current density:** Elapsed time: $\tau = t - t'$, , $\mathbf{r}' = \mathbf{r}(t - \tau)$, $\mathbf{v}' = \mathbf{v}(t - \tau)$

$$\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r}) = q \int d\mathbf{v} \mathbf{v} f(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{v})$$

$$= -\frac{q^2}{m} \int d\mathbf{v} \mathbf{v} \int_0^\infty d\tau [\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}') + \mathbf{v}' \times \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}')] \cdot \frac{\partial f_0(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{v}')}{\partial \mathbf{v}'} e^{i\omega\tau}$$

- **Replace integral over v by integral over r'**

Integral form in uniform plasmas

- propagation in z
- **Particle orbit:** $z = z' + v_z(t - t')$

- **Variable transformation** : $v_z = \frac{z - z'}{t - t'}$

- **Perturbed distribution function for Maxwellian:** $\tau = t - t'$

$$f(z, \mathbf{v}) = \frac{n}{(2\pi T/m)^{3/2}} \frac{q}{T} \int_0^\infty d\tau \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{E}(z') e^{i\omega\tau} \exp\left[-\frac{m(v_x^2 + v_y^2 + v_z^2)}{2T}\right]$$

- **Current density:** variable transformation: $v_z \Rightarrow z'$

$$\mathbf{J}(z) = q \int d\mathbf{v} \mathbf{v} f(z, \mathbf{v}) = \int dz' \hat{\sigma}(z, z') \cdot \mathbf{E}(z')$$

- **Electric conductivity tensor:** e.g. zz component: $\tau = t - t'$

$$\sigma_{zz}(z, z') = \frac{nq^2}{\sqrt{2\pi} m v_T^3} \int_0^\infty d\tau \frac{(z - z')^2}{\tau^3} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(z - z')^2}{v_T^2 \tau^2} + i\omega\tau\right]$$

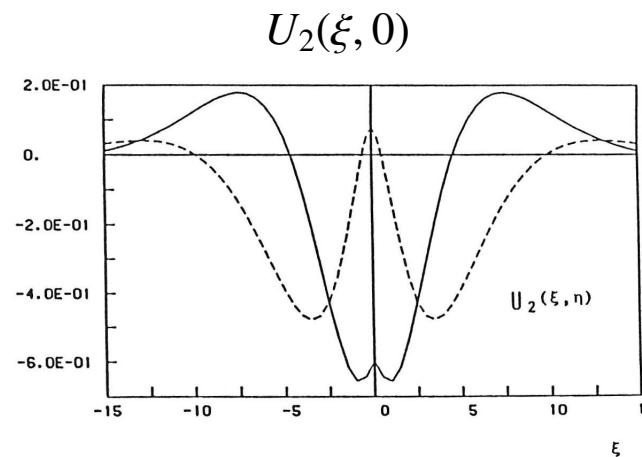
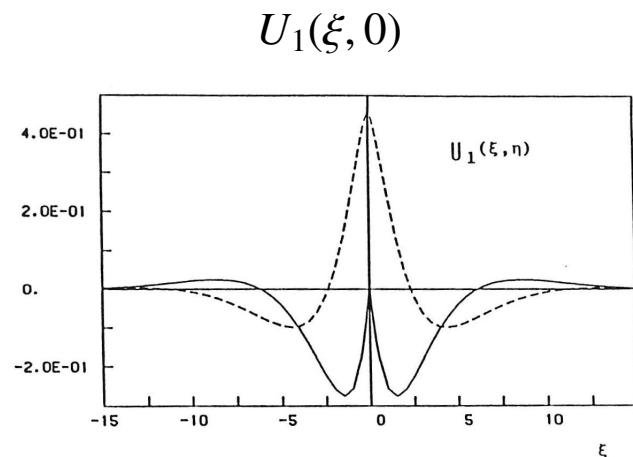
Plasma dispersion kernel function (PDKF)

- **A general form of kernel function:** Inverse Fourier transform of PDF

$$U_n(\xi, \eta, \nu) = \frac{i}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^\infty d\tau \tau^{n-1} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \frac{\xi^2}{\tau^2} - \frac{1}{2} \eta^2 \tau^2 + i \nu \tau \right]$$

$$\xi = \frac{(z - z')\omega}{v_T}, \quad \eta = \sqrt{\left(\frac{v_T}{\omega L}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{k_y v_T}{\omega}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\mu B_0}{2mv_T \omega L_1}\right)^2}, \quad \nu = \frac{\omega - n\omega_c}{\omega}$$

- L : **density scale length** [$n = n_0 \exp(-z/L)$: sheath potential]
- k_y : **wave number** in uniform direction
- L_1 : **magnetic field scale length** [$B = B_0(1 + z/L_1)$: linear]
- **Complex function:** real: dispersion, imag: dissipation



General formulation in magnetized plasmas

- **Magnetic field:** $\mathbf{B} = B(z) \hat{z}$, **Velocity:** $\tau = t - t'$, $\theta'_g = \theta_g - \omega_c \tau$

$$\begin{aligned} v_x &= \sqrt{2\mu B(z)/m} \cos \theta_g, & v'_x &= \sqrt{2\mu B(z')/m} \cos \theta'_g \\ v_y &= \sqrt{2\mu B(z)/m} \sin \theta_g, & v'_y &= \sqrt{2\mu B(z')/m} \sin \theta'_g \\ v_z &= \sqrt{2/m} \sqrt{\epsilon - \mu B(z)}, & v'_z &= \sqrt{2/m} \sqrt{\epsilon - \mu B(z')} \end{aligned}$$

- **Perturbed distribution function:** Time dependence: $\tilde{X}(\mathbf{r}, t) = X(\mathbf{r}) e^{-i\omega t}$

$$\tilde{f}(z, \epsilon, \mu, \theta_g) = -\sqrt{\frac{2}{m}} q \int_0^\infty d\tau \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{\mu B(z')} \cos \theta'_g \\ \sqrt{\mu B(z')} \sin \theta'_g \\ \sqrt{\epsilon - \mu B(z')} \end{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_0(\epsilon)}{\partial \epsilon} \cdot \mathbf{E}(x', y', z') e^{i\omega\tau}$$

- **Induced current:**

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r}) &= \sum_{\pm} \int_0^\infty d\mu \int_{\mu B(z)}^\infty d\epsilon \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta_g \frac{qB(z)}{2m^2 \sqrt{\epsilon - \mu B(z)}} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{\mu B(z)} \cos \theta_g \\ \sqrt{\mu B(z)} \sin \theta_g \\ \sqrt{\epsilon - \mu B(z)} \end{pmatrix} \tilde{f}(z, \epsilon, \mu, \theta_g) \\ &= \frac{n_0 q^2}{2m\pi^{3/2} T^{5/2} B_0} \sum_{\pm} \int_0^\infty d\mu \int_{\mu B(z)}^\infty d\epsilon \int_0^\infty d\tau \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta_g \frac{B(z)B(z')}{\epsilon - \mu B(z)} e^{-\epsilon/T} e^{i\omega\tau} \\ &\quad \times \begin{pmatrix} \mu \sqrt{B(z)B(z')} \cos \theta_g \cos \theta'_g & \mu \sqrt{B(z)B(z')} \cos \theta_g \sin \theta'_g & \sqrt{\mu B(z)} \sqrt{\epsilon - \mu B(z')} \cos \theta_g \\ \mu \sqrt{B(z)B(z')} \sin \theta_g \cos \theta'_g & \mu \sqrt{B(z)B(z')} \sin \theta_g \sin \theta'_g & \sqrt{\mu B(z)} \sqrt{\epsilon - \mu B(z')} \sin \theta_g \\ \sqrt{\epsilon - \mu B(z)} \sqrt{\mu B(z')} \cos \theta'_g & \sqrt{\epsilon - \mu B(z)} \sqrt{\mu B(z')} \sin \theta'_g & \sqrt{\epsilon - \mu B(z)} \sqrt{\epsilon - \mu B(z')} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}') \end{aligned}$$

Parallel motion in magnetized plasmas

- **Adiabatic motion in magnetized plasmas:**

$$\epsilon = \frac{mv_{\parallel}^2}{2} + \mu B, \quad \mu = \frac{mv_{\perp}^2}{2B}$$

- **Equation of motion:** θ_g : gyration phase

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = v_{\parallel} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{2}{m}} \sqrt{\epsilon - \mu B(z)}$$

- **Linear dependence of magnetic field strength**

$$B(z) = B_0 \left(1 + \frac{z}{L_1} \right)$$

- **by integrating over t**

$$z - z' = \pm \sqrt{\frac{2}{m}} \sqrt{\epsilon - \mu B(z)} \tau + \frac{\mu B_0}{2mL_1} \tau^2$$

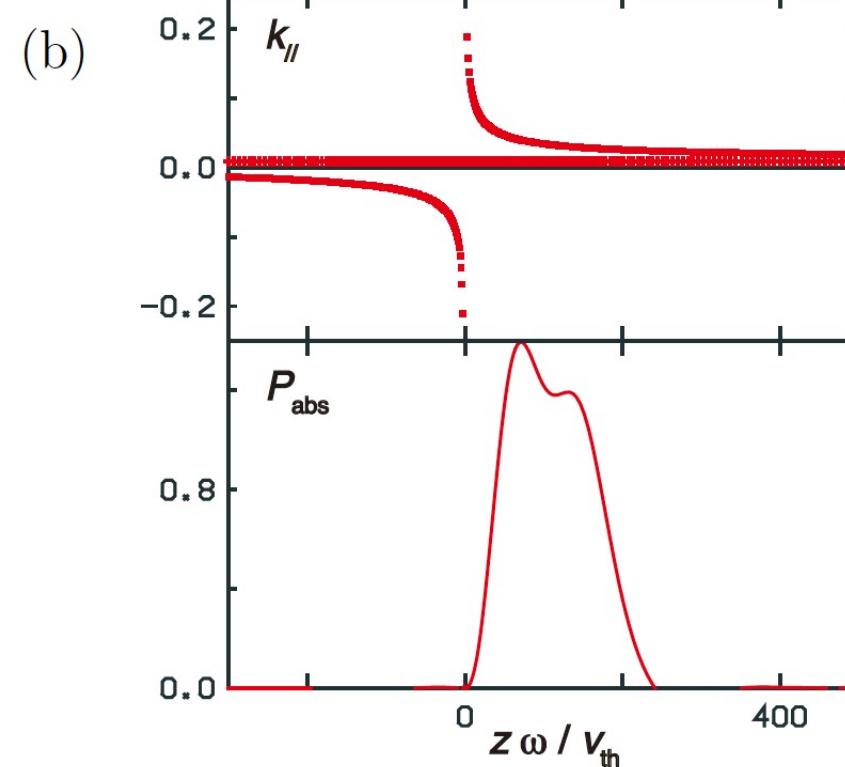
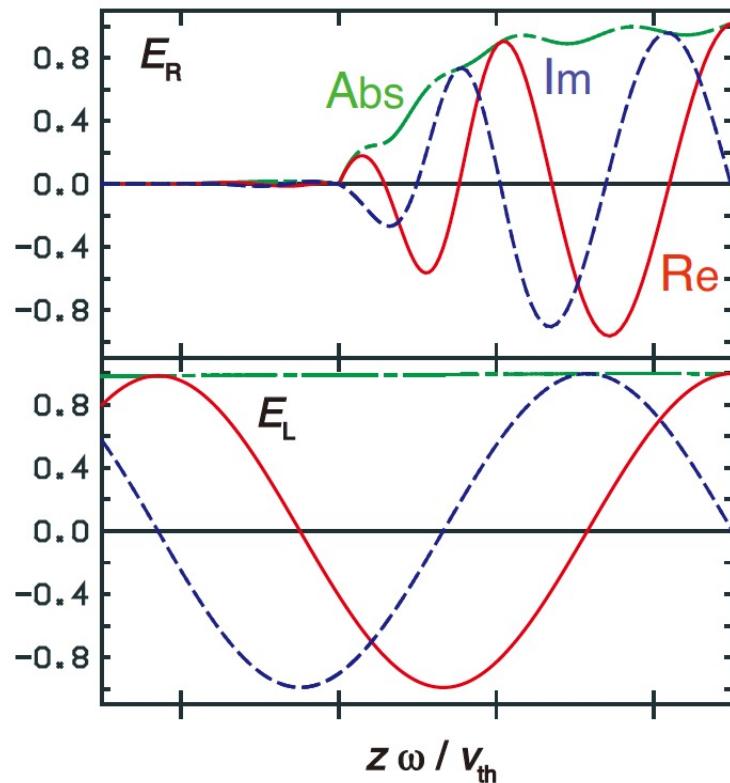
- **Integral over ϵ is transformed to that over z'**

$$\epsilon = \mu B(z) + \frac{m}{2} \left(\frac{z - z'}{\tau} - \frac{\mu B_0}{2mL_1} \tau \right)^2$$

Magnetic beach heating near ECR

First order inhomogeneous effect: $B(z) = B_0(1 + z/L_1)$

- **High field excitation:** $\omega_{pe}^2/\omega_{ce}^2 = 0.5$, $\beta = v_{the}/c = 0.01$
- **RHS circular polarization:** Absorption in strong field side of ECR
- **LHS circular polarization:** No absorption



Magnetic field strength with extremum (1)

- In tokamak configuration, the **magnetic field strength** has **extremum** along the field line.
- **Parabolic profile of magnetic field strength:** $\kappa = \pm 1$

$$B(z) = B_0 \left(1 + \frac{z}{L_1} + \kappa \frac{z^2}{L_2^2} \right)$$

- **Adiabatic motion:** $\frac{dz}{dt} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{2}{m}} \sqrt{\epsilon - \mu B(z)}$

- **Trapped** ($\kappa = 1$)

$$z - z' = \pm \sqrt{\frac{2}{m}} \sqrt{\epsilon - \mu B(z)} \frac{\sin \omega_b \tau}{\omega_b} + \frac{\mu B_0}{2m} \left(\frac{1}{L_1} + \frac{2z}{L_2^2} \right) \frac{1 - \cos \omega_b \tau}{\omega_b^2}$$

- **Untrapped** ($\kappa = -1$)

$$z - z' = \pm \sqrt{\frac{2}{m}} \sqrt{\epsilon - \mu B(z)} \frac{\sinh \omega_b \tau}{\omega_b} + \frac{\mu B_0}{2m} \left(\frac{1}{L_1} - \frac{2z}{L_2^2} \right) \frac{\cosh \omega_b \tau - 1}{\omega_b^2}$$

where

$$\omega_b = \sqrt{\frac{2\mu B_0}{m L_2^2}}$$

Magnetic field strength with extremum (2)

- Energy ϵ as a function of z'

- Trapped ($\kappa = 1$):

$$\epsilon = \mu B(z) + \frac{m}{2} \frac{\omega_b^2 \tau^2}{\sin^2 \omega_b \tau} \left[\frac{z - z'}{\tau} - \frac{\mu B_0}{2m} \left(\frac{1}{L_1} + \frac{2z}{L_2^2} \right) \frac{1 - \cos \omega_b \tau}{\omega_b^2 \tau} \right]^2$$

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- Linear ($\kappa = 0$):

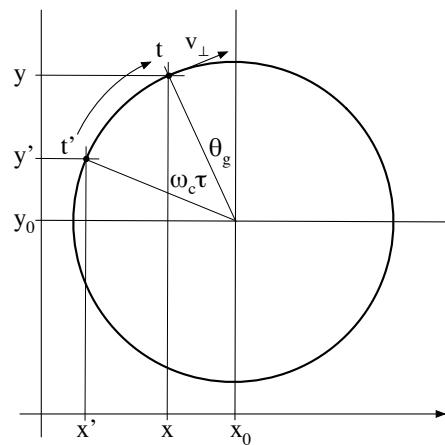
$$\epsilon = \mu B(z) + \frac{m}{2} \left[\frac{z - z'}{\tau} - \frac{\mu B_0}{2m L_1} \tau \right]^2$$

Perpendicular motion: Finite Larmor radius effects

- In order to separate the parallel and perpendicular motions, we assume weak inhomogeneity of B : neglecting particle drift

$$\omega_c(z') \simeq \omega_c(z) \simeq \omega_c \left(\frac{z + z'}{2} \right), \quad \theta'_g = \theta_g - \omega_c \tau$$

- Cyclotron motion and variable transformation from (v_\perp, θ_g) to (x, x')



$$x = x_0 - (v_\perp / \omega_c) \sin \theta_g,$$

$$x' = x_0 - (v_\perp / \omega_c) \sin \theta'_g,$$

$$y = y_0 + (v_\perp / \omega_c) \cos \theta_g,$$

$$y' = y_0 + (v_\perp / \omega_c) \cos \theta'_g$$

$$v_\perp \sin \theta_g = -\omega_c(x - x_0)$$

$$v_\perp \sin \theta'_g = -\omega_c(x' - x_0),$$

$$v_\perp \cos \theta_g = \omega_c \frac{x - x'}{2} \frac{1}{\tan \frac{1}{2} \omega_c \tau} + \omega_c \left(\frac{x + x'}{2} - x_0 \right) \tan \frac{1}{2} \omega_c \tau$$

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Plasma gyro kernel function (PGKF)

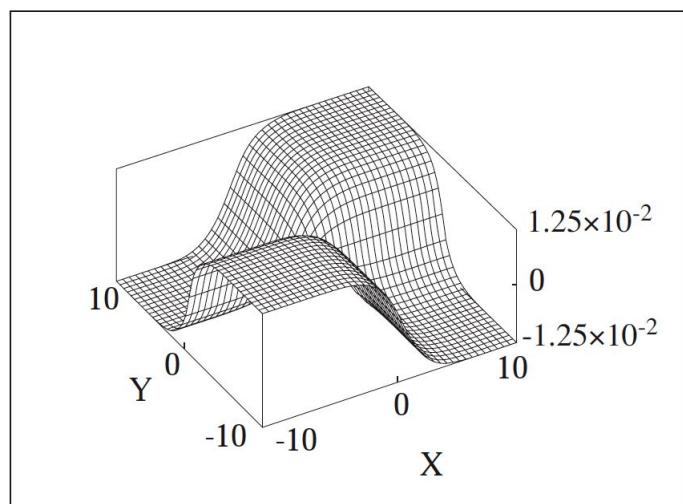
- Integral over θ_g in the kernel functions :

$$X = \left(\frac{x + x'}{2} - x_0 \right) \frac{\omega_c}{v_T}, \quad Y = \left(\frac{x - x'}{2} \right) \frac{\omega_c}{v_T},$$

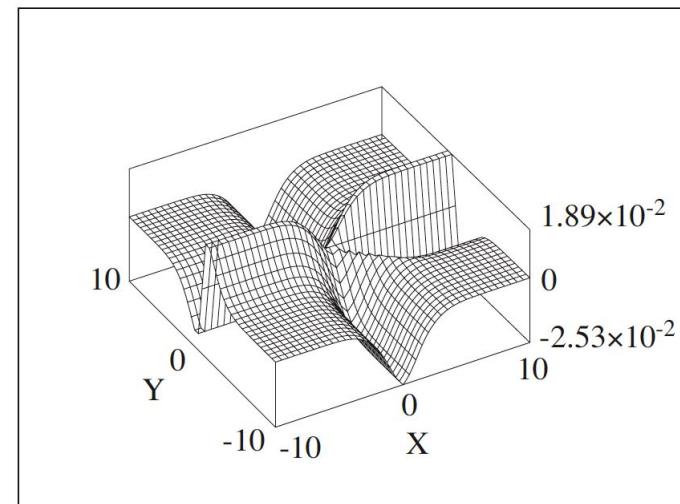
$$F_n^{(i)}(X, Y) = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \int_0^\pi d\theta \left[-\frac{X^2}{1 + \cos \theta_g} - \frac{Y^2}{1 - \cos \theta_g} \right] f_n^{(i)}(\theta_g) \quad f_n^{(i)}(\theta_g) = \begin{cases} \frac{\cos n\theta_g}{\sin \theta_g} & (i=1) \\ \sin n\theta_g & (i=2) \\ \frac{\sin n\theta_g}{\sin^2 \theta_g} & (i=3) \\ \frac{\cos \theta_g \sin n\theta_g}{\sin^2 \theta_g} & (i=4) \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{F}_n^{(ijk)}(X, Y) = \int_0^Y dY' \int_0^{X+Y'} dX' X'^j Y'^k F_n^{(i)}(X', Y')$$

$\mathcal{F}_0^{(100)}$



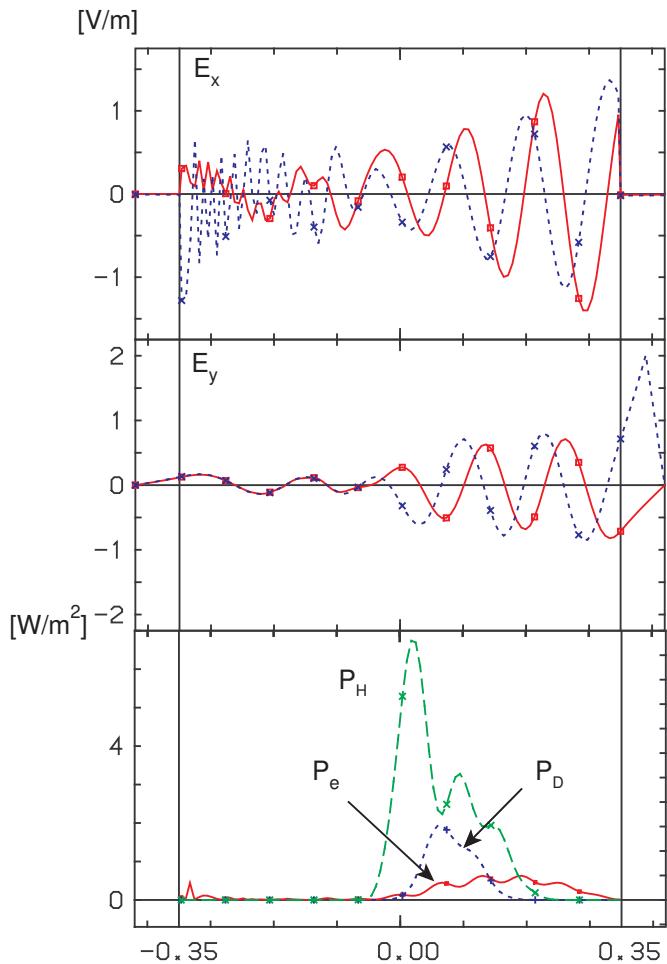
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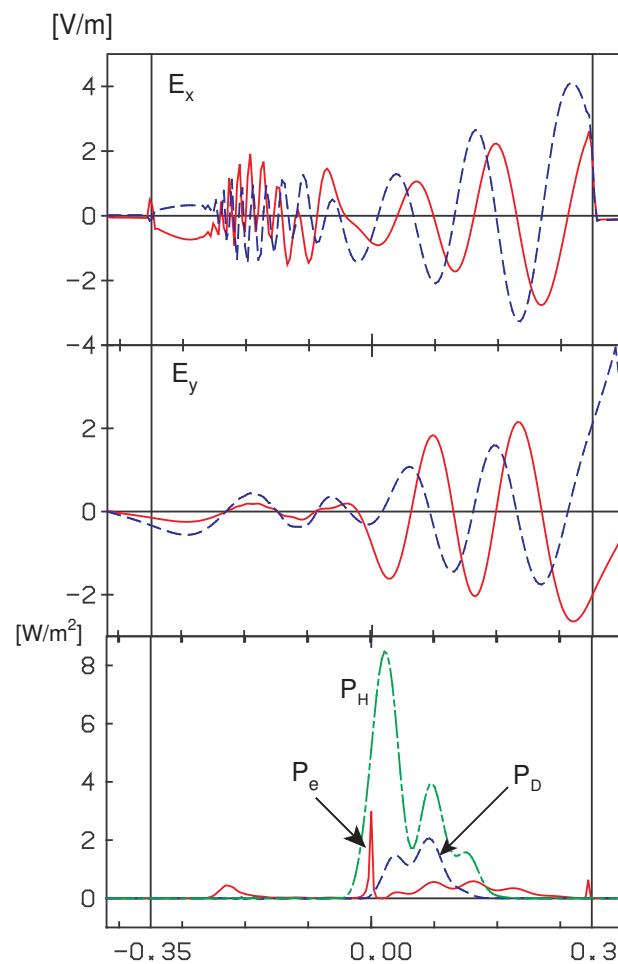
FLR effects in ICRF heating (1)

ICRF minor heating without energetic particles ($n_H/n_D = 0.1$)

Differential form



Integral form



$$R_0 = 1.31\text{m}$$

$$a = 0.35\text{m}$$

$$B_0 = 1.4\text{T}$$

$$T_{e0} = 1.5\text{keV}$$

$$T_{D0} = 1.5\text{keV}$$

$$T_{H0} = 1.5\text{keV}$$

$$n_{s0} = 10^{20}\text{m}^{-3}$$

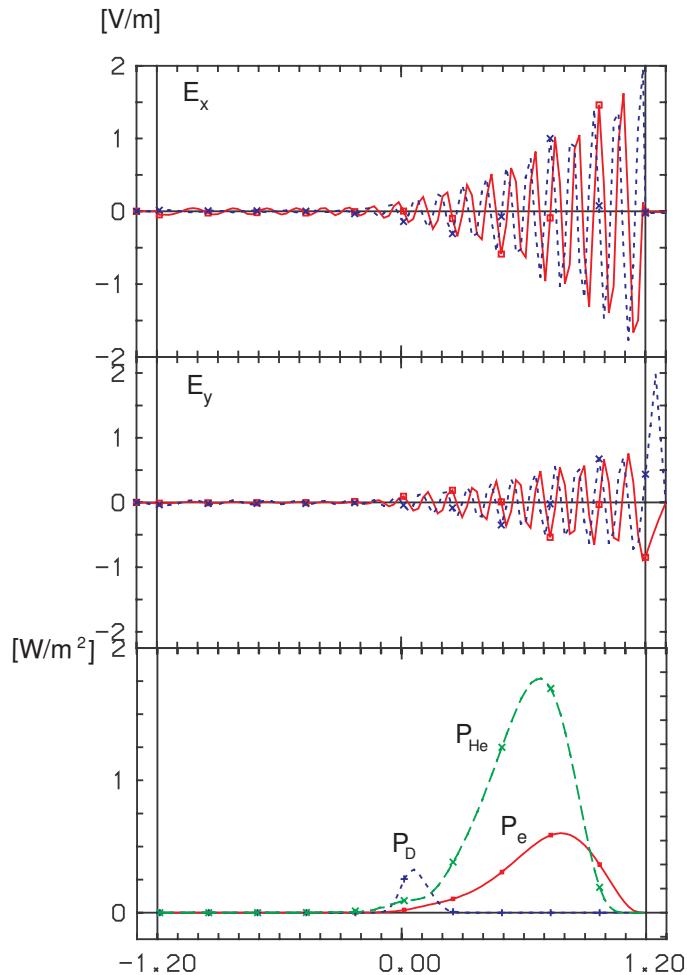
$$\omega/2\pi = 20\text{MHz}$$

Differential approach is applicable

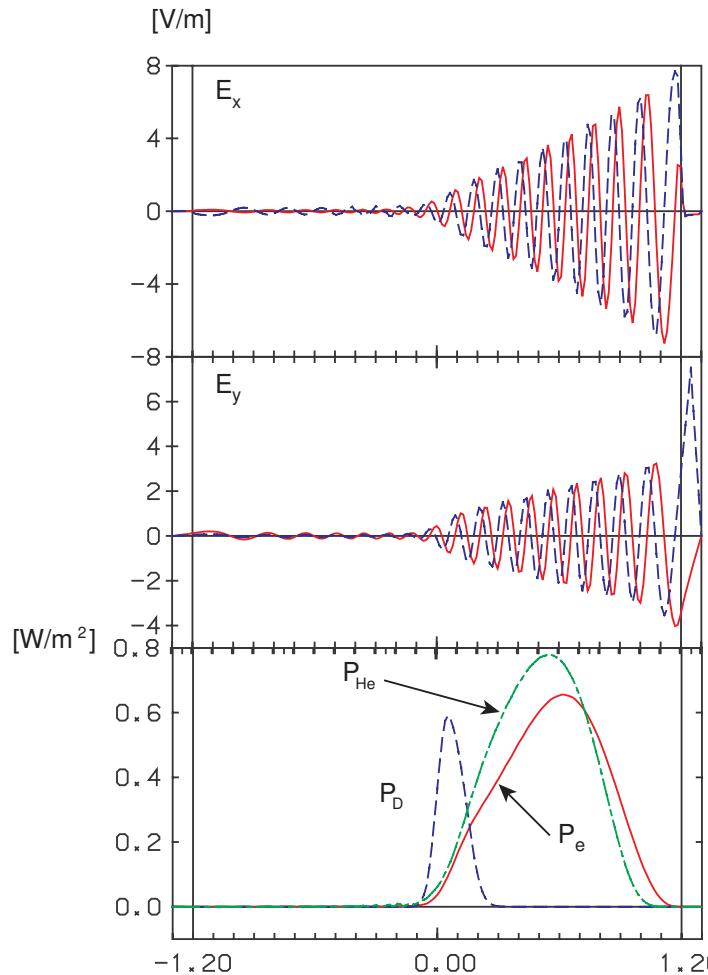
FLR effects in ICRF heating (2)

ICRF minor heating with α -particles ($n_D : n_{He} = 0.96 : 0.02$)

Differential form



Integral form



$$R_0 = 3.0\text{m}$$

$$a = 1.2\text{m}$$

$$B_0 = 3\text{T}$$

$$T_{e0} = 10\text{keV}$$

$$T_{D0} = 10\text{keV}$$

$$T_{\alpha0} = 3.5\text{MeV}$$

$$n_{s0} = 10^{20}\text{m}^{-3}$$

$$\omega/2\pi = 45\text{MHz}$$

Absorption by α may be over-estimated by differential approach.

O-X-B mode conversion of electron cyclotron waves

- **EC heating and current drive in over-dense plasmas**
 - Experimental observation of EC H&CD in a high-density plasma above the cutoff density
 - Possible mechanism is the mode-conversion to the electron Bernstein waves (EBW)
- **O-X-B mode conversion**
 - **HFS excitation**: X-mode is converted to EBW near the UHR
 - **LFS excitation**: Cutoff layer exists for both O and X modes
 - For **optimum injection angle** derived by Hansen et al. [PPCF, 27 1077 (1985)]

$$N_{\parallel}^2 = \frac{|\omega_{cel}|}{\omega + |\omega_{cel}|},$$

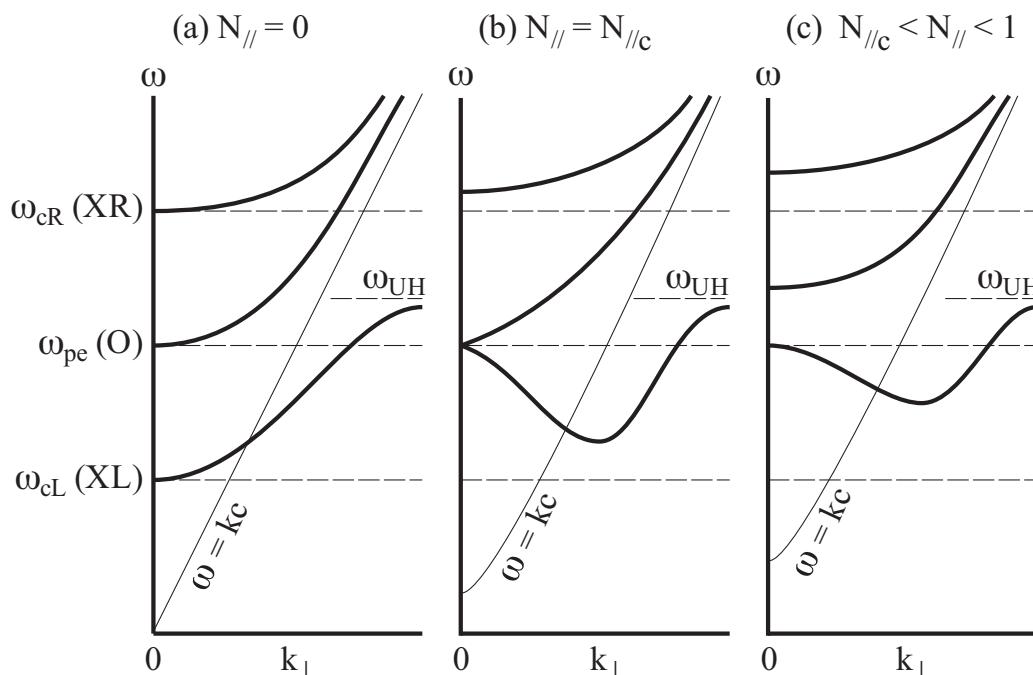
mode-conversion from O-mode to X mode occurs.

- The X-mode is converted to EBW near the UHR, and the EBW is absorbed by EC damping near ECR.

O-X-B mode conversion of EC waves in tokamak

- **For the optimum injection angle,**
 - O-mode cutoff and X-mode cutoff are located at the same position.
 - O-X mode conversion: k changes the sign, forward to backward
- **When the injection angle is not optimum,**
 - Evanescent layer appears between the O and X cutoffs.
 - Geometrical optics cannot describe tunneling.

**Dispersion relation
for fixed N_{\parallel}**

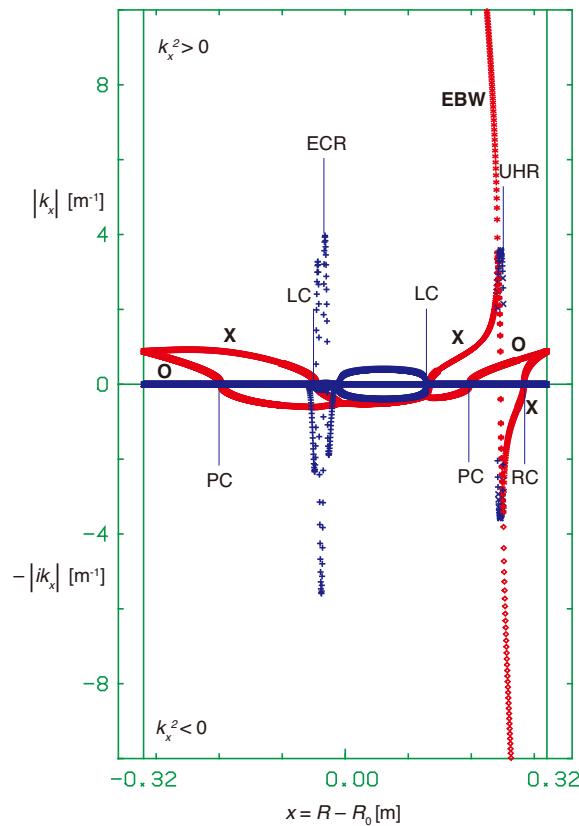


Dispersion relation: dependence on k_{\parallel}

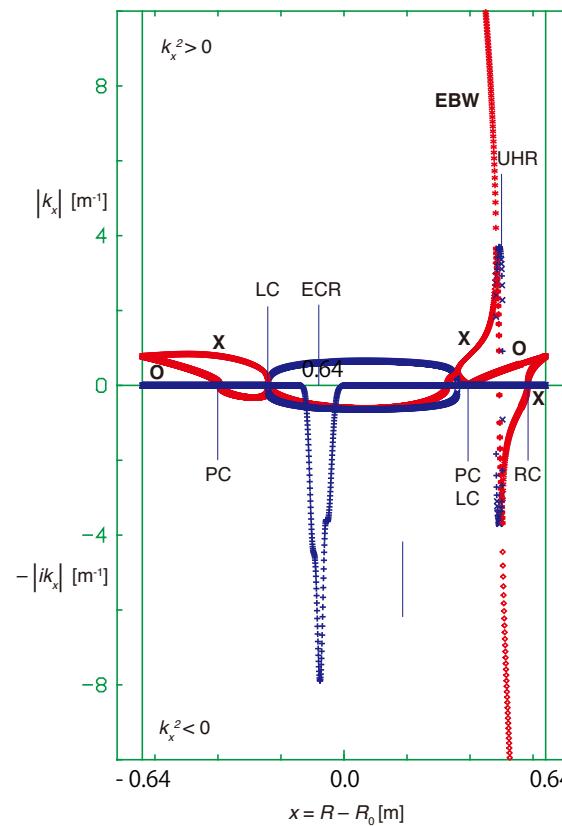
Parameters of twice-expanded Spherical Torus LATE

$$R_0 = 0.44 \text{ m}, a = 0.32 \text{ m}, B_0 = 0.08 \text{ T} n_e(0) = 1.2 \times 10^{17} \text{ m}^{-3}, f = 2.45 \text{ GHz}$$

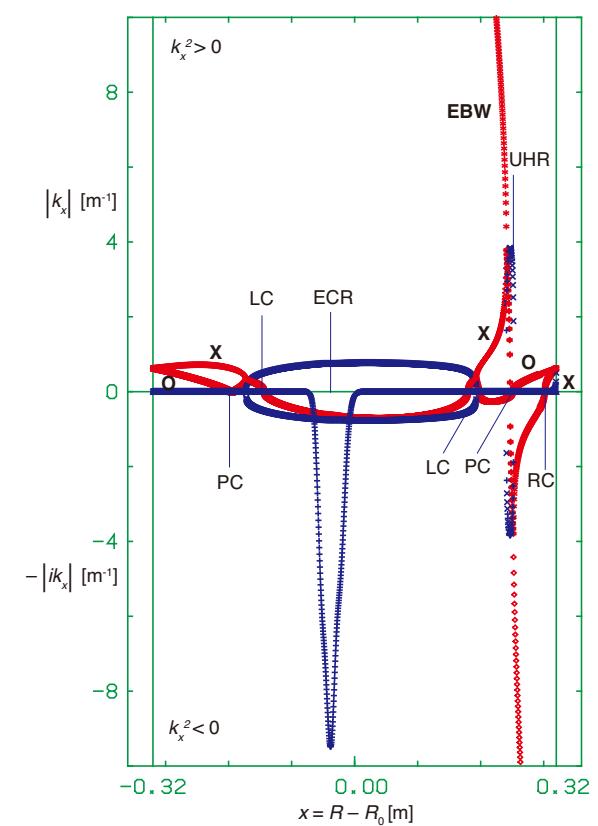
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deep X cutoff



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optimum angle



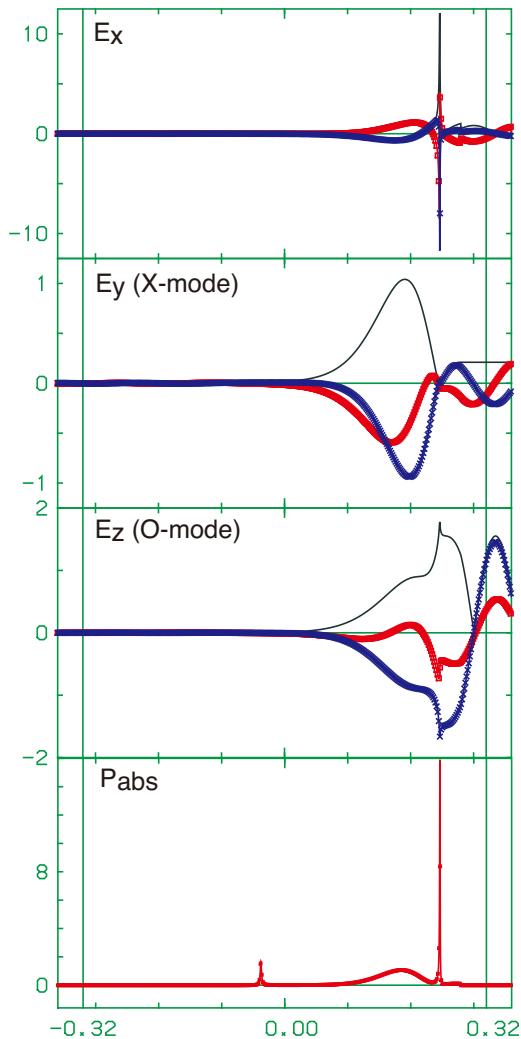
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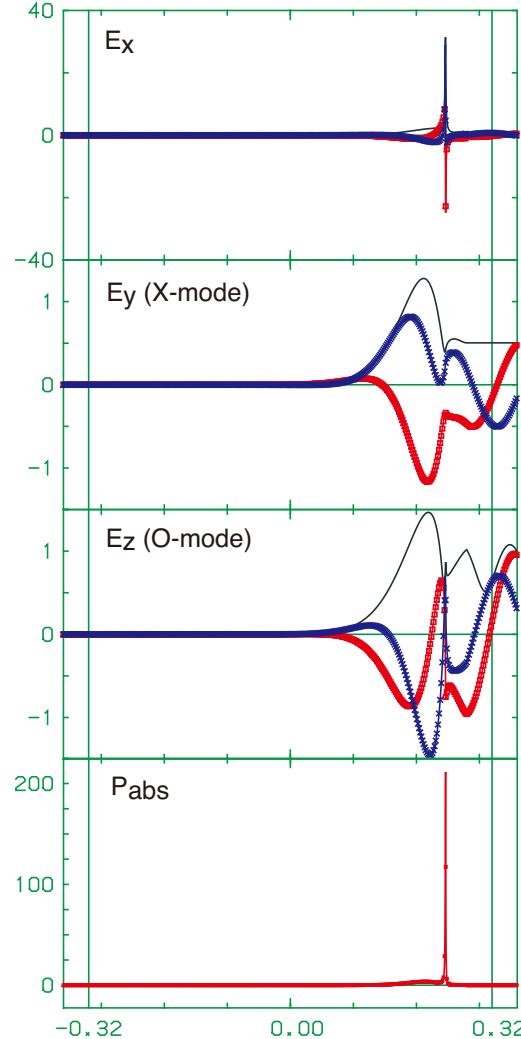
Wave structure: dependence on k_{\parallel}

Cold plasma analysis with collisional absorption at UHR

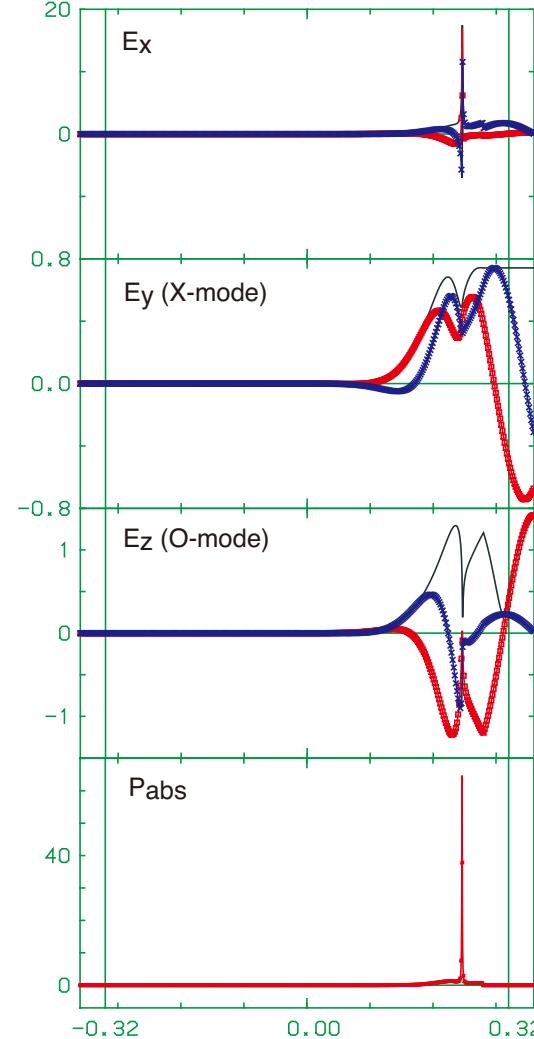
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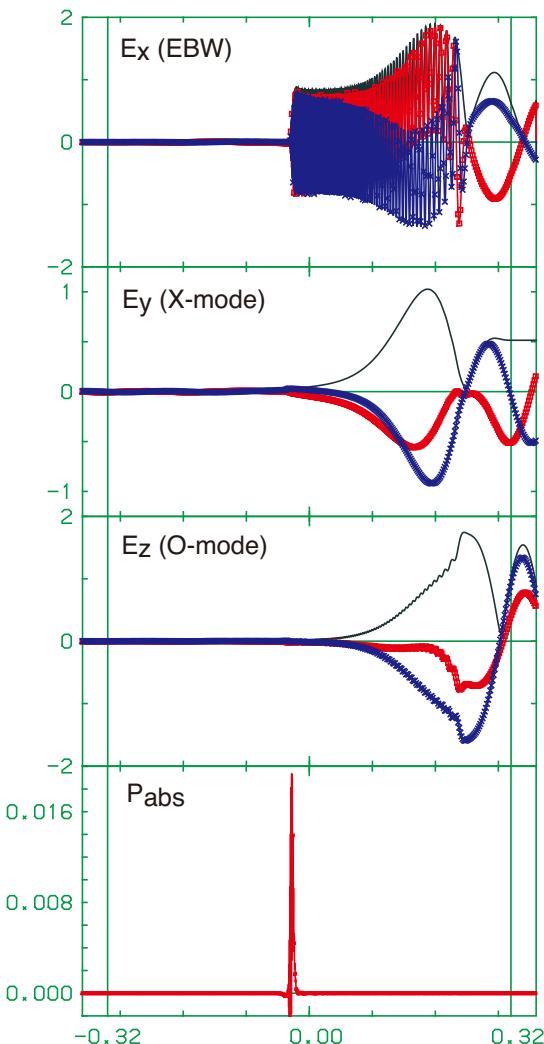
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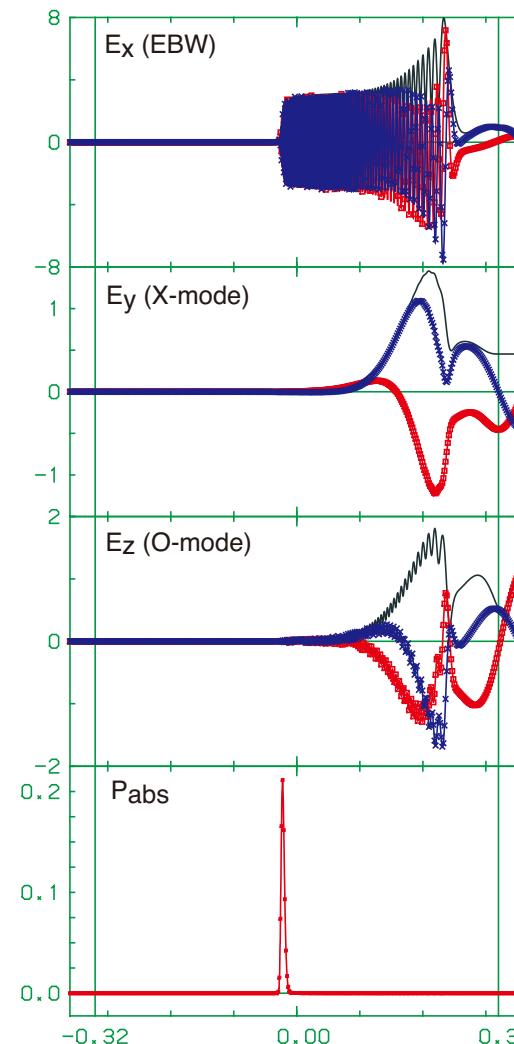
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Kinetic full wave analysis using integral form of $\hat{\epsilon}^{\leftrightarrow}$

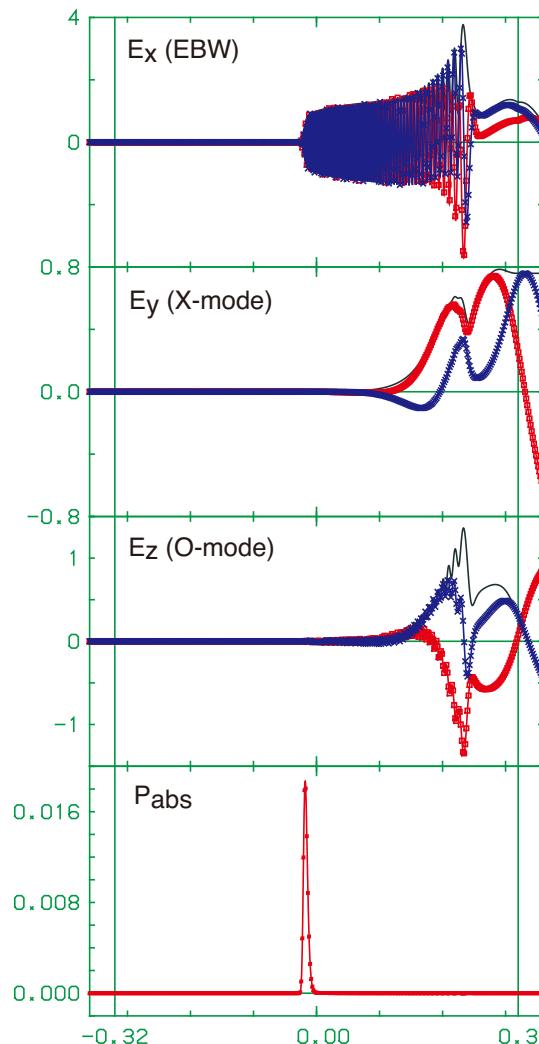
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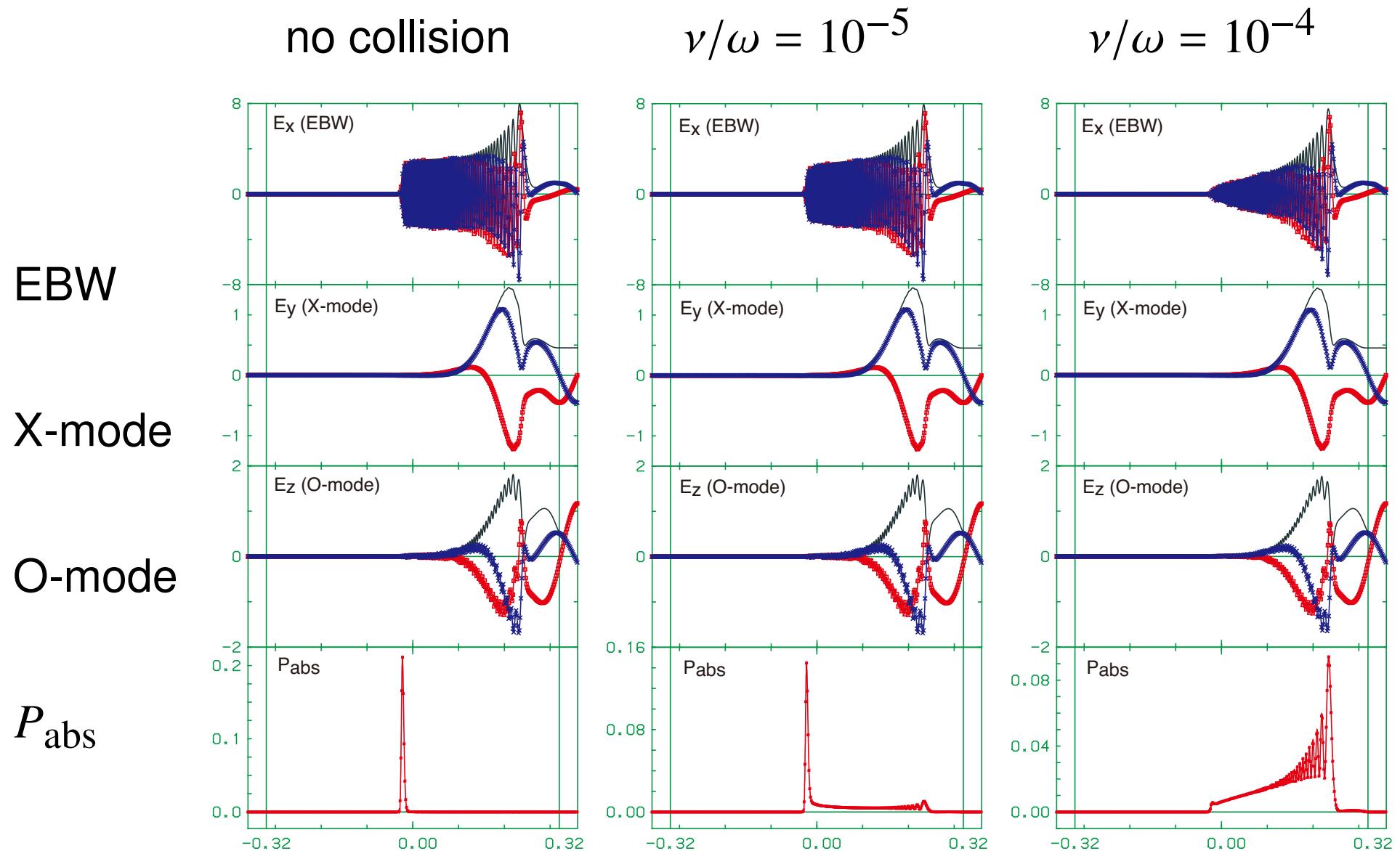


$k_{\parallel} = 40 \text{ m}^{-1}$
shallow O cutoff



Competition between collisional and cyclotron damping

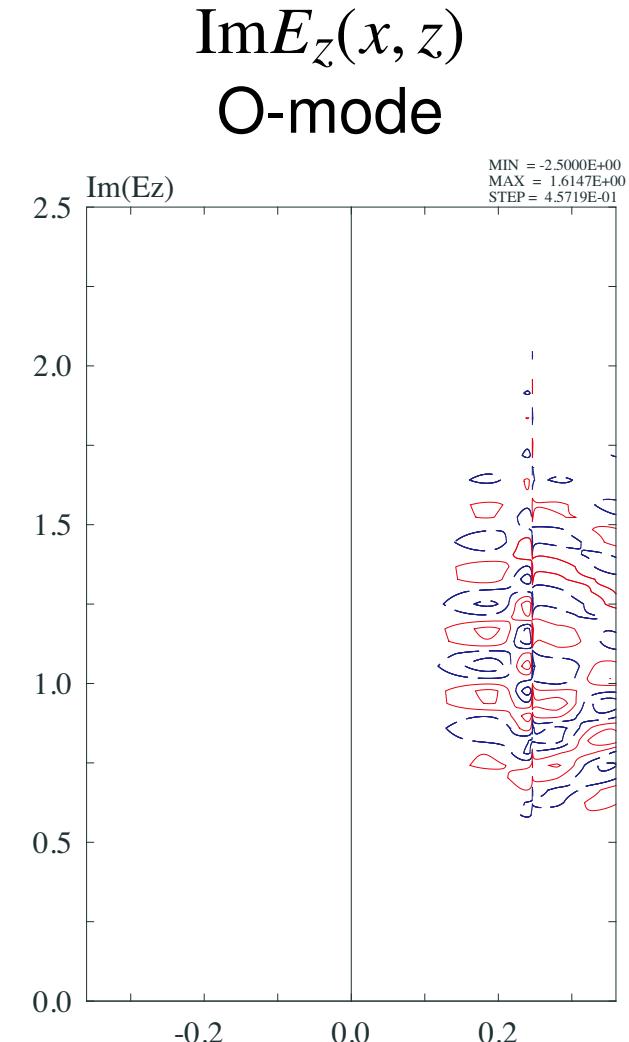
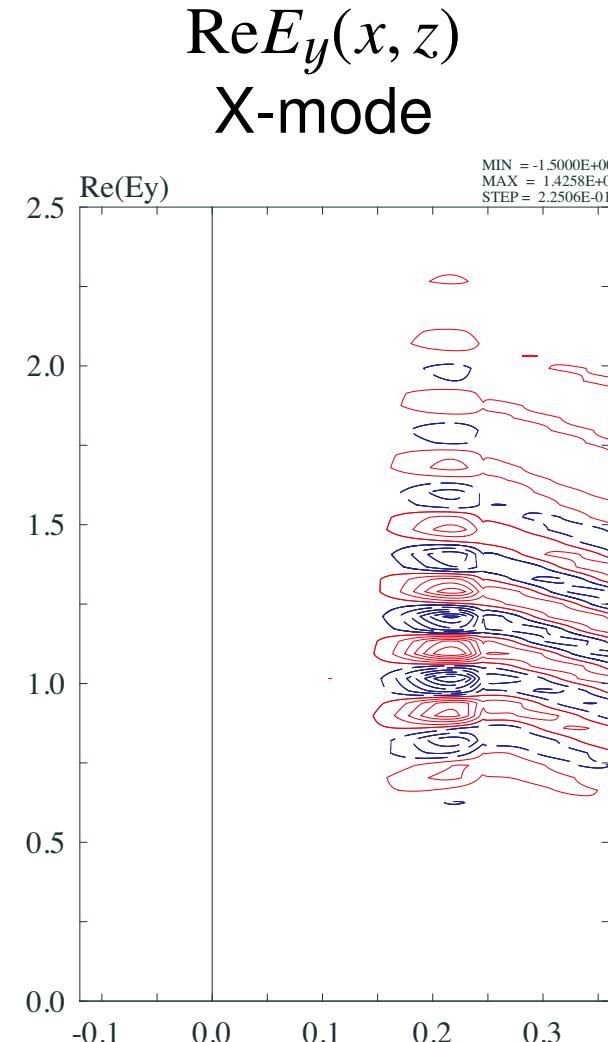
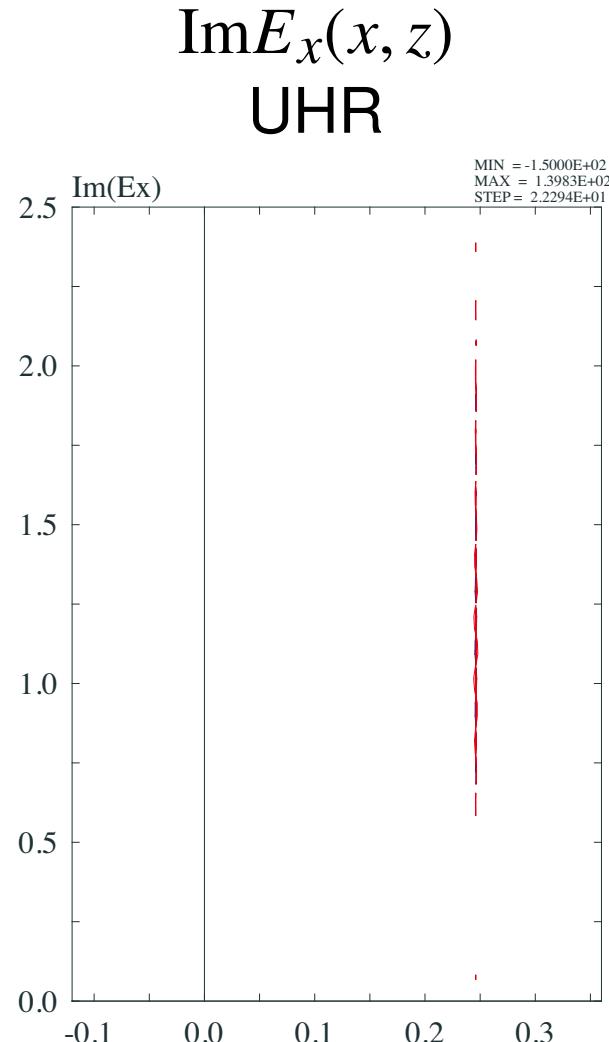
- Optimum injection angle: $k_{\parallel} = 32 \text{ m}^{-1}$



Consistent with NSTX experimental results (Diem et al. PRL, 2009)

Two-dimensional analysis of O-X-B mode conversion

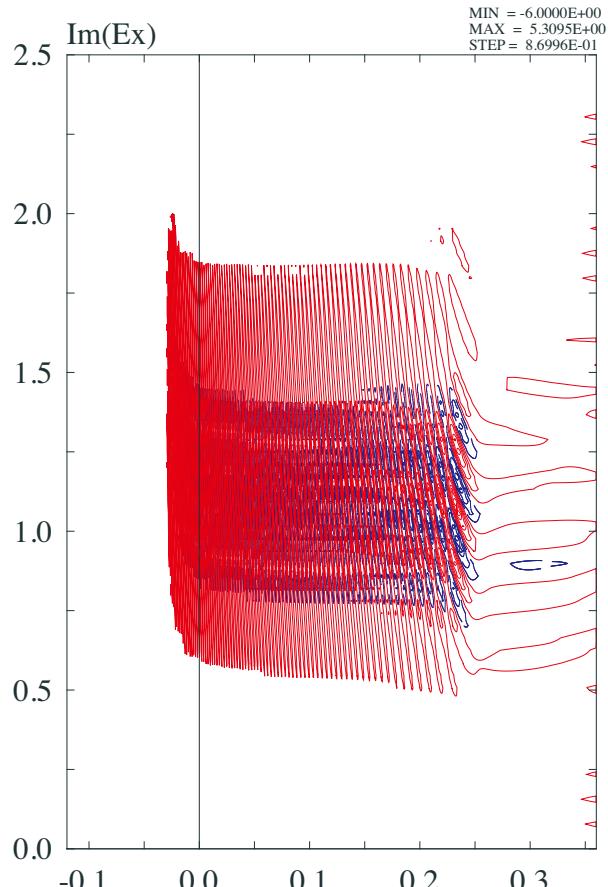
Cold plasma analysis with collisional absorption at UHR
Mode conversion of O-mode excited by waveguide antenna



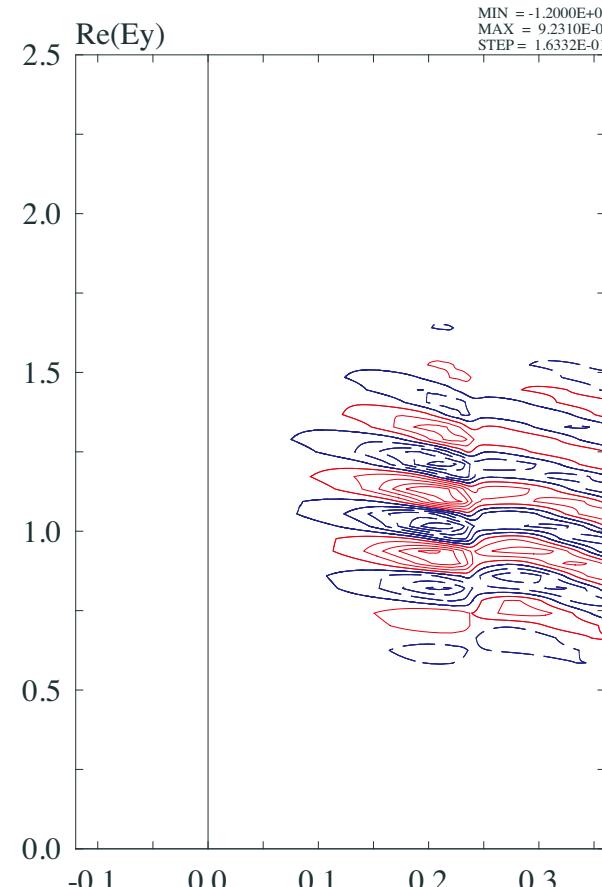
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Kinetic full wave analysis using integral form of $\leftrightarrow \epsilon$
Mode conversion of O-mode excited by waveguide antenna

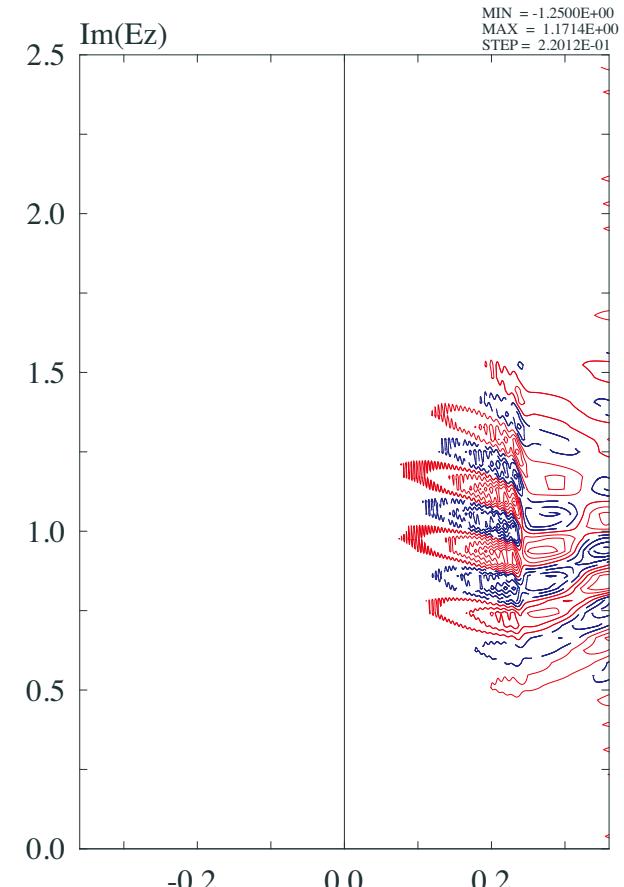
$\text{Im}E_x(x, z)$
EBW



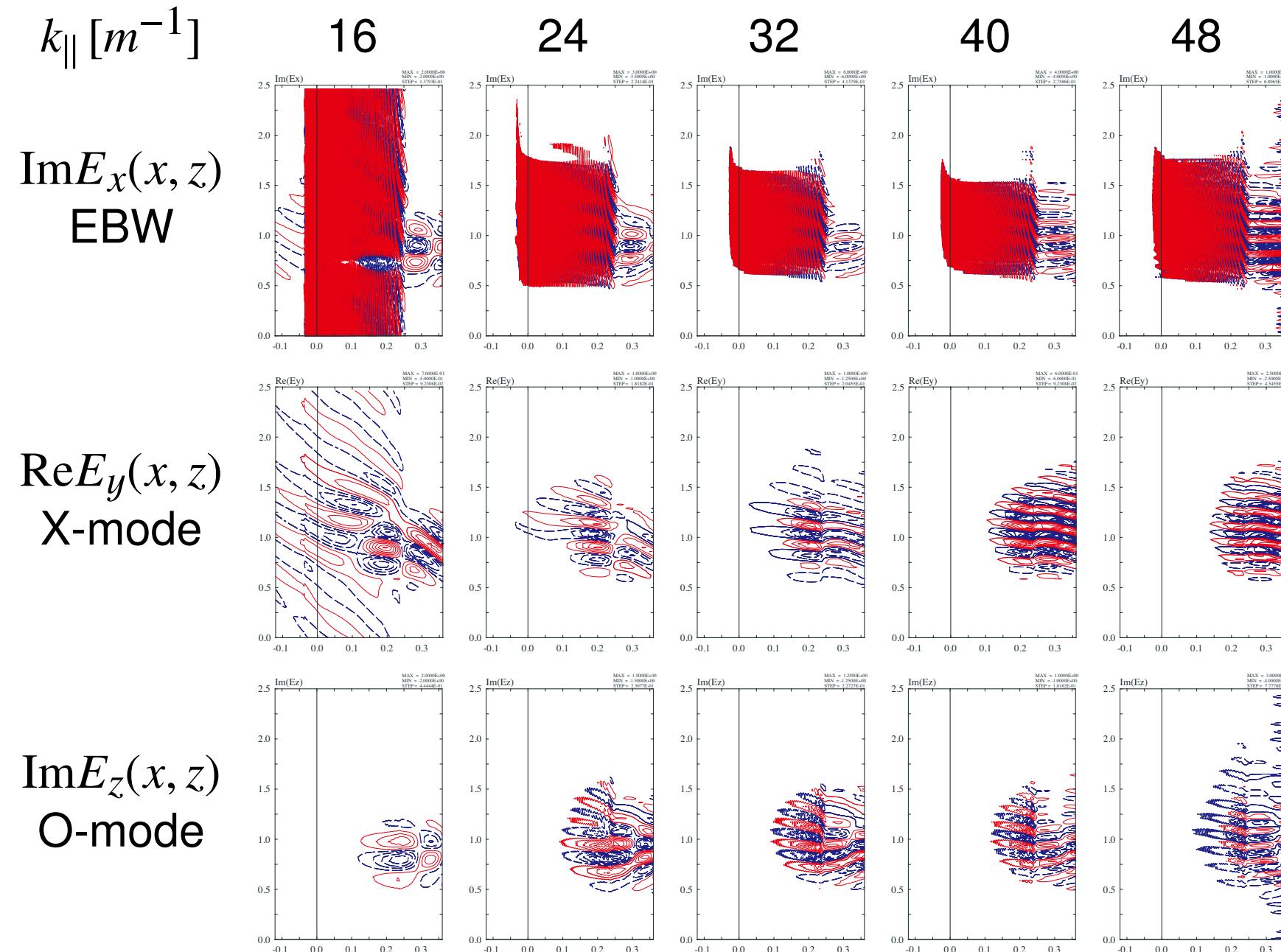
$\text{Re}E_y(x, z)$
X-mode



$\text{Im}E_z(x, z)$
O-mode



Injection angle dependence of O-X-B mode conversion



Summary and works in progress

- **Kinetic full wave analysis using integral form of dielectric tensor** has been successfully applied to various inhomogeneous hot plasmas:
 - **kinetic resonance absorption**: unmagnetized, n_e gradient
 - **magnetic beach heating**: non-uniform magnetic field
 - **absorption of fast ions**: FLR effects
 - **Bernstein waves**: FLR effects, mode-conversion
- **Works in progress**
 - **Application to realistic 2D configuration**
 - Poloidal cross section in tokamak configuration
 - Axial plane in axisymmetric mirror configuration
 - **Arbitrary velocity distribution function**
 - **Relativistic effects**
 - **Application to the analysis of kinetic instabilities**