

# Stability of collisionless systems

2<sup>nd</sup> part

# Outlines

## Linear response theory

- in fluid systems
- in stellar systems

## The Jeans instability

- in fluid systems
- in stellar systems

## Entropy of a collisionless system of $N$ particles

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By analogy:  $\rho \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(\vec{q}, \vec{p})$

$$S := -N \int d\vec{q} d\vec{p} \mathcal{F}(\vec{q}, \vec{p}) \ln(\mathcal{F}(\vec{q}, \vec{p}))$$

$\mathcal{F}$ : DF

Can we maximize  $S$  for a system of a given mass  $M$  and energy  $E$ ?

Yes: The solution is the isothermal sphere!

But! The isothermal sphere is unphysical

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} M = \infty \\ E = \infty \end{array} \right.$$



Where is the problem?

Corollary : No DF with finite mass  $M$  and finite energy  $E$  maximizes  $S$

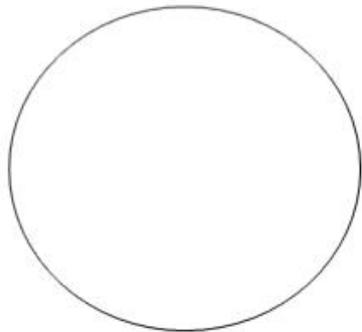
Demonstration

Spherical system

} mass  $M$   
total energy  $E$

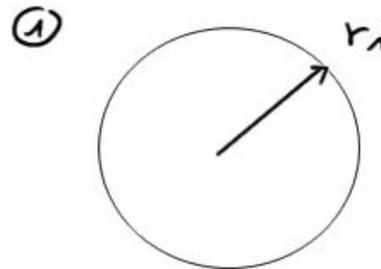
Idea: split the system into

- ① inner part
- ② outer part



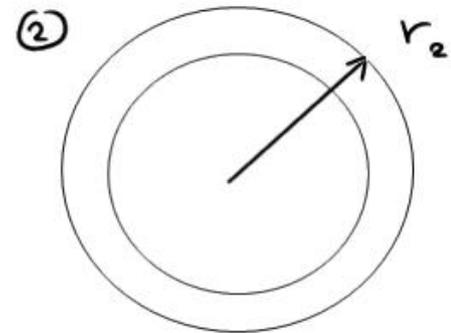
$M$

=



$M_1$

+



$M_2 \ll M$

Virial Equation

$$2K + W = 0$$

$$E = K + W = \frac{W}{2}$$

$$E_1 = \frac{W}{2} \approx -\frac{GM_1^2}{2r_1}$$

↑  
virial

$$E_2 \approx -\frac{GM_1 M_2}{2r_2}$$

↑ the pot. is dominated by  $M_1$

If we shrink ①

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$$r_1 \rightarrow (1 - \epsilon) r_1 \quad (\epsilon > 0 \text{ but } \ll 1)$$

$$E_1 \rightarrow -\frac{GM_1^2}{2r_1(1-\epsilon)}$$

$$\Delta E = E_1 - E_1' \approx \epsilon \frac{GM_1^2}{r_1} \quad (> 0 \text{ excess of grav. energy})$$

This excess of energy is deposited into ② which will extend  $r_2' > r_2$

$$E_2' = E_2 + \Delta E = -\frac{GM_1 M_2}{r_2'}$$

$$\frac{1}{r_2'} \sim E_2 + \Delta E$$

At the virial equilibrium,  
the envelope velocity will be

$$\sigma_2'^2 \sim \frac{GM_1}{r_2'}$$

The points in ② will cover a region of the phase space with a volume of about :

$$V_{\text{①}} = \sigma_2'^3 \cdot r_2'^3 \approx \left( \frac{GM_1}{r_2'} \right)^{3/2} \cdot r_2'^3 = (GM_1 r_2')^{3/2}$$

as  $f_{\text{②}} \sim \frac{1}{V_{\text{①}}} \Rightarrow f_{\text{②}} \sim r_2'^{-3/2}$

Entropy of ②  $S_{\text{②}} = -N_2 \int \underbrace{d^3r d^3v f_{\text{②}} \ln(f_{\text{②}})}_{\approx 1}$   $\frac{-GM_1 M_2}{2r_2}$   $\epsilon \frac{GM_1^2}{r_1}$

$$= -N_2 \frac{3}{2} \ln\left(\frac{1}{r_2'}\right) = -N_2 \frac{3}{2} \ln\left(\bar{E}_2 + \Delta E\right)$$

if  $\Delta E = |\bar{E}_2|$

i.e.  $\epsilon = \frac{1}{2} \frac{M_2}{M_1} \frac{r_1}{r_2} \Rightarrow S_{\text{②}} \rightarrow \infty$  !!!  $S_{\text{①}} + S_{\text{②}} \rightarrow \infty$

We can always collapse a portion of a system and release gravitational energy to the outer part (diffuse envelope) in such a way that the entropy increase (no bounds)

## Conclusions

Stellar systems may increase their entropy, but never reach a maximum, as this maximum does not exist.

Finite stellar systems cannot reach a thermodynamical equilibrium.

## Moreover

- The entropy is defined locally, while the gravity is a long-range force
- When defining the entropy, we consider the conservation of energy but not angular momentum

Our goal     Study the stability of systems  
                         at equilibrium

Method :     perturbation theory

perturbation      $\rightarrow$      response

Types of responses

- Exponential growth of the perturbation
- Oscillation of the perturbation
- Die of the perturbation



**Stability of collisionless systems**

**Linear response theory**

# Linear response theory

Study the perturbation of system at the equilibrium

Perturbation: external gravitational field  $-\varepsilon \vec{\nabla} \phi_e$  :  $|\vec{\nabla} \phi_e| \sim |\vec{\nabla} \phi_0|$

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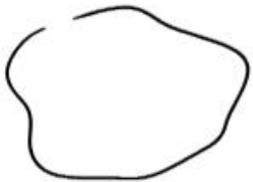
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stellar/system  
at equilibrium



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$$\phi_{S_0}(x)$$

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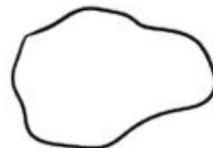
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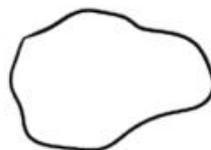
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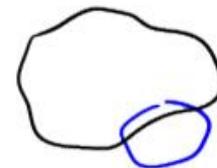
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$$\nabla^2 \phi_1 = 4\pi G \rho_1$$

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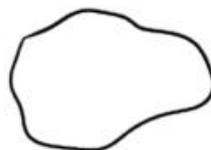


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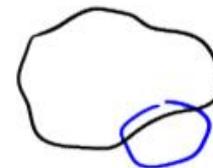
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$$\nabla^2 \phi_1 = 4\pi G \rho_1$$

$$\nabla^2 \phi_{tot} = 4\pi G \rho_{tot}$$

Conventions :  $\rho_{s_0} = \rho_0$   $\phi_{s_0} = \phi_0$   $\rho_{tot} = \rho$   $\phi_{tot} = \phi$

# Linearized equations for a self-gravitating system

Self-gravitating fluid

$\rho(\vec{x}, t)$   $\phi(\vec{x}, t)$   $p(\vec{x}, t)$   $\vec{v}(\vec{x}, t)$

6 Equ.  
6 Unkn.

① Continuity Equation

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\rho \vec{v}) = 0$$

③ The Poisson Equation

$$\nabla^2 \phi = 4\pi G \rho$$

② Euler Equation

$$\frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} + (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{v} = - \frac{\vec{\nabla} p}{\rho} - \vec{\nabla} \phi$$

④ Equation of state (barotropic)

$$p(\vec{x}, t) = p(\rho(\vec{x}, t))$$

Self-gravitating stellar system

$f(\vec{x}, \vec{v}, t)$ ,  $\rho(\vec{x}, t)$ ,  $\phi(\vec{x}, t)$

3 Equ.  
3 Unkn.

① The collisionless Boltzmann Equation

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \vec{x}} - \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \vec{x}} \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \vec{v}} = 0$$

$$= \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + [f, \mathcal{H}] = 0$$

② The Poisson Equation

$$\nabla^2 \phi = 4\pi G \rho = 4\pi G \int d^3v f(\vec{x}, \vec{v}, t)$$

## Linearizing equations

Goal: describe the response of the system (without the perturbation)

$$f_s(\tilde{x}, t) = f_{s0}(\tilde{x}) + \varepsilon f_{s1}(\tilde{x}, t) \quad \phi_s \quad \tilde{v}_s \quad p_s \quad f_s$$

- ① Equations for  $f_s(\tilde{x}, t)$
- ② Equations for  $f_{s0}(\tilde{x})$  (system at equilibrium)
- ③ Keep only first order terms ( $\varepsilon^2 \rightarrow 0$ )

linear differential equations for  $f_{s1}$   $\phi_{s1} \quad \tilde{v}_{s1} \quad p_{s1} \quad f_{s1}$

# Linearized Equations for a self-gravitating fluid

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Equations for a self-gravitating fluid (we follow only the system, without the perturbation)

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System of density  $\rho_s(\vec{x}, t)$   $\phi_s(\vec{x}, t)$   $\vec{v}_s(\vec{x}, t)$   $p_s(\vec{x}, t)$

① Continuity Equation

$$\frac{\partial \rho_s}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\rho_s \vec{v}_s) = 0$$

total potential  $\phi = \phi_s + \epsilon \phi_e$

② Euler Equation

$$\frac{\partial \vec{v}_s}{\partial t} + (\vec{v}_s \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{v}_s = - \frac{\vec{\nabla} p_s}{\rho_s} - \vec{\nabla} \phi$$

③ The Poisson Equation

$$\nabla^2 \phi_s = 4\pi G \rho_s$$

④ Equation of state

$$p_s = P(\rho_s)$$

Definition :

specific enthalpy

$$h(p_s) = \int_0^{p_s} \frac{1}{\rho'} \frac{\partial p_s}{\partial \rho_s}(\rho') d\rho'$$

for a barotropic  
EOS  $P = P(\rho)$

$$\vec{\nabla} h_s = \frac{1}{\rho_s} \vec{\nabla} p_s$$

Euler equation  
becomes

$$\frac{\partial \vec{v}_s}{\partial t} + (\vec{v}_s \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{v}_s = - \frac{\vec{\nabla} p_s}{\rho_s} - \vec{\nabla} \phi$$

$$\frac{\partial \vec{v}_s}{\partial t} + (\vec{v}_s \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{v}_s = - \vec{\nabla} (h_s + \phi)$$

Definition :

sound speed

$$v_s^2 = \left. \frac{\partial P(\rho)}{\partial \rho} \right|_{\rho_0}$$

for the  
unperturbed  
system



## More on enthalpy

$$h := u + \frac{P}{\rho}$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{2em}}$  spec. internal energy  
 $\underbrace{\hspace{2em}}$  mechanical energy

with  $du = T ds + \frac{P}{\rho^2} d\rho$

$$dh = du + \frac{dP}{\rho} - \frac{P}{\rho^2} d\rho$$

$$dh = T ds + \frac{dP}{\rho}$$

For  $S = \text{cte}$  and  $P = P(\rho)$

(barotropic EOS)

$$dh = \frac{dP}{\rho} = \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial P}{\partial \rho} d\rho$$

$$h(\rho) = \int_0^\rho \frac{1}{\rho'} \frac{\partial P}{\partial \rho'}(\rho') d\rho'$$

$\uparrow$  using

$$\vec{\nabla} h(\rho) = \frac{\partial h}{\partial \rho} \vec{\nabla} \rho = \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial P}{\partial \rho}(\rho) \vec{\nabla} \rho = \frac{1}{\rho} \vec{\nabla} P$$

# Isolated fluid at equilibrium

$$\rho_0(\vec{x}) \quad \vec{v}_0(x) \quad h_{s0}(\vec{x}) \quad \phi_{s0}(x)$$

solutions of

① Continuity Equation

$$\frac{\partial \rho_0}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\rho_0 \vec{v}_0) = 0$$

② Euler Equation

$$\frac{\partial \vec{v}_0}{\partial t} + (\vec{v}_0 \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{v}_0 = -\vec{\nabla}(h_{s0} + \phi_{s0})$$

③ The Poisson Equation

$$\nabla^2 \phi_{s0} = 4\pi G \rho_{s0}$$

④ Equation of state

$$P_0 = P(\rho_0)$$

The response of the system to a weak perturbation

$$- \varepsilon \nabla \phi_e$$

$$\rho_{s0}(\bar{x}) \rightarrow \rho_s(\bar{x}, t) = \rho_{s0}(\bar{x}) + \varepsilon \rho_{s1}(\bar{x}, t)$$

$$h_{s0}(\bar{x}) \rightarrow h_s(\bar{x}, t) = h_{s0}(\bar{x}) + \varepsilon h_{s1}(\bar{x}, t)$$

$$\vec{v}_{s0}(\bar{x}) \rightarrow \vec{v}_s(\bar{x}, t) = \vec{v}_{s0}(\bar{x}) + \varepsilon \vec{v}_{s1}(\bar{x}, t)$$

$$\phi_{s0}(\bar{x}) \rightarrow \phi_s(\bar{x}, t) = \phi_{s0}(\bar{x}) + \varepsilon \phi_{s1}(\bar{x}, t)$$

$$\phi_{s0}^{\text{tot}}(\bar{x}) \rightarrow \phi(\bar{x}, t) = \phi_{s0}(\bar{x}) + \varepsilon \phi_1(\bar{x}, t)$$



system only,  
without the  
perturbation

total pot. include  
the perturbation

$$= \phi_{s0}(\bar{x}) + \varepsilon \phi_{s1}(\bar{x}, t) + \varepsilon \phi_e(\bar{x}, t)$$

contrib. of the ext. perturb.

→ insert those equations into the equations for a self-gravitating fluid  $\rho_s(\bar{x}, t)$   $\phi_s(\bar{x}, t)$   $\vec{v}_s(\bar{x}, t)$   $h_s(\bar{x}, t)$

→ use equations for the unperturbed fluid

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We get a set of linear differential equations

→ time evolution of the perturbation

① "Continuity Equation"

$\rho_{s1}$   $\vec{v}_{s1}$   $\phi_{s1}$   $h_{s1}$   
6 unknowns  
6 equations

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho_{s1} + \bar{\nabla} \cdot (\rho_{s0} \vec{v}_{s1}) + \bar{\nabla} \cdot (\rho_{s1} \vec{v}_{s0}) = 0$$

② "Euler Equation"

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{v}_{s1} + \vec{v}_{s0} \cdot (\bar{\nabla} \cdot \vec{v}_{s1}) + \vec{v}_{s1} (\bar{\nabla} \cdot \vec{v}_{s0}) &= - \bar{\nabla} (h_{s1} + \phi_{s1} + \phi_e) \\ &= - \frac{\bar{\nabla} p_{s1}}{\beta_0} - \bar{\nabla} (\phi_{s1} + \phi_e) \end{aligned}$$

③ "Poisson Equation"

$$\bar{\nabla} \cdot \phi_{s1} = 4\pi G \rho_{s1}$$

④ "Equation of state"

$$h_{s1} = \left. \frac{dP(\rho)}{d\rho} \right|_{\rho_0} \frac{\rho_{s1}}{\rho_0} = v_s^2 \frac{\rho_{s1}}{\rho_0}$$

# Linearized Equations for a self-gravitating stellar system

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System of DF

$$f_s(\vec{x}, \vec{v}, t) \rightarrow f_s(\vec{x}, t) \quad \phi_s(\vec{x}, t)$$

(without the perturbation)

① The collisionless Boltzmann Equation

total potential  $\phi = \phi_s + \epsilon \phi_c$

$$\frac{\partial f_s}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \frac{\partial f_s}{\partial \vec{x}} - \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \vec{x}} \frac{\partial f_s}{\partial \vec{v}} = 0$$

$$= \frac{\partial f_s}{\partial t} + [f_s, \mathcal{H}] = 0$$

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2} \vec{v}^2 + \phi(\vec{x}, t)$$

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② The Poisson Equation

$$\nabla^2 \phi_s = 4\pi G \rho_s = 4\pi G \int d^3v f_s(\vec{x}, \vec{v}, t)$$

Isolated stellar system at equilibrium

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solutions of

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$$\rho_{s0}(\vec{x}, t) \rightarrow \rho_s(\vec{x}, t) = \rho_{s0}(\vec{x}) + \varepsilon \rho_{s1}(\vec{x}, t)$$

$$\phi_{s0}(x, t) \rightarrow \phi_s(x, t) = \phi_{s0}(\vec{x}) + \varepsilon \phi_{s1}(\vec{x}, t)$$

$$\phi_{s0}(x, t) \rightarrow \phi(x, t) = \phi_{s0}(\vec{x}) + \varepsilon \phi_{s1}(\vec{x}, t)$$

$$= \phi_{s0}(\vec{x}) + \varepsilon \phi_{s1}(\vec{x}, t) + \varepsilon \phi_e(\vec{x}, t)$$

total pot. include the perturbation

contrib of the ext. perturb.

$$H_0(\vec{x}, \vec{v}) \rightarrow H_{tot}(x, t) = \frac{1}{2} \vec{v}^2 + \phi_0(\vec{x}) + \varepsilon \phi_1(\vec{x}, t)$$

$$= H_0(\vec{x}, \vec{v}) + \varepsilon \phi_1(\vec{x}, t)$$

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$$\frac{\partial \rho_{s1}}{\partial t} + [\rho_{s1}, H_{s0}] = [\rho_{s0}, \phi_{s1}]$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho_{s1}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \rho_{s1}}{\partial \vec{x}} \vec{v} - \frac{\partial \rho_{s1}}{\partial \vec{v}} \frac{\partial \phi_{s0}}{\partial \vec{x}} = \frac{\partial \rho_{s0}}{\partial \vec{v}} \frac{\partial \phi_{s1}}{\partial \vec{x}}$$

② "The Poisson Equation"

$$\nabla^2 \phi_{s1} = 4\pi G \rho_{s1} = 4\pi G \int d^3v \rho_{s1}$$

# Interpretation

Reminder

Variation of  $\rho_{s1}$  along the flow (Lagrangian derivative)

$$\frac{\partial \rho_{s1}}{\partial t} + [\rho_{s1}, H_{s0}] = [\rho_{s0}, \phi_1]$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho_{s1}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \rho_{s1}}{\partial \vec{x}} \vec{v} - \frac{\partial \rho_{s1}}{\partial \vec{v}} \frac{\partial \phi_{s0}}{\partial \vec{x}} = \frac{\partial \rho_{s0}}{\partial \vec{v}} \frac{\partial \phi_1}{\partial \vec{x}}$$

$\frac{d}{dt} \rho_{s1}$

velocity

source

gravity

$P_v(\vec{x})$



may become  
big if  $\sigma$  is  
small

# **Stability of collisionless systems**

## **The Jeans instability**

**(1902)**

# The Jeans instability

Homogeneous medium subject to a perturbation

- consider an infinite static homogeneous system at equilibrium

- $\triangle$  no polytropic homogeneous system exists

$$\vec{V}_0 = 0$$

Euler Equation

$$\cancel{\frac{\partial \vec{v}_0}{\partial t}} + (\cancel{\vec{v}_0} \cdot \cancel{\vec{\nabla}}) \vec{v}_0 = - \cancel{\frac{\vec{\nabla} p_0}{\rho_0}} - \vec{\nabla} \phi_0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \phi_0 = 0$$

Poisson Equation

$$\nabla^2 \phi_0 = 4\pi G \rho_0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \underline{\rho_0 = 0}$$

Linearized Poisson

$$\nabla^2 \phi_s = 4\pi G \rho_s \equiv \nabla^2 (\phi_0 + \epsilon \phi_{s1}) = 4\pi G (\rho_0 + \epsilon \rho_{s1})$$

$$\nabla^2 \phi_{s1} = 4\pi G \rho_{s1}$$

Jeans swindle

# The response of an homogeneous fluid

Linearized fluid equations

$\rho_{s1}(\bar{x}, t)$ ,  $\phi_{s1}(\bar{x}, t)$ ,  $\vec{v}_{s1}(\bar{x}, t)$ ,  $h_{s1}(\bar{x}, t)$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{1} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho_{s1} + \bar{\nabla} \cdot (\rho_0 \vec{v}_{s1}) + \cancel{\bar{\nabla} \cdot (\rho_{s1} \vec{v}_0)} = 0 \\ \textcircled{2} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{v}_{s1} + \cancel{\vec{v}_0 \cdot (\bar{\nabla} \cdot \vec{v}_{s1})} + \cancel{\vec{v}_{s1} (\bar{\nabla} \cdot \vec{v}_0)} = - \bar{\nabla} (h_{s1} + \phi_{s1} + \phi_e) \\ \textcircled{3} \quad \bar{\nabla} \phi_{s1} = 4\pi G \rho_{s1} \\ \textcircled{4} \quad h_{s1} = v_s^2 \frac{\rho_{s1}}{\rho_0} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\boxed{\vec{v}_0 = 0}$$

Solution

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \textcircled{1} : \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \rho_{s1} + \rho_0 \bar{\nabla} \cdot \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{v}_{s1} \right) = 0$$

$$\bar{\nabla} \cdot \textcircled{2} : \bar{\nabla} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{v}_{s1}}{\partial t} = - \nabla^2 (h_{s1} + \phi_{s1} + \phi_e)$$

Thus, we have (  $\bar{\nabla} \cdot \textcircled{2}$  into  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \textcircled{1}$  )

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \rho_{s1} - \rho_0 \nabla^2 (h_{s1} + \phi_{s1} + \phi_e) = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \rho_{s1} - \rho_0 \nabla^2 (h_{s1} + \phi_{s1} + \phi_e) = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \rho_{s1} - \rho_0 \nabla^2 h_{s1} - \rho_0 \nabla^2 \phi_{s1} = \rho_0 \nabla^2 \phi_e$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \vec{\nabla} h_{s1} = \frac{1}{\rho_s} \vec{\nabla} \rho_{s1}$$

$$\frac{1}{\rho_0} \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \rho_{s1} - \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left( \frac{\vec{\nabla} \rho_{s1}}{\rho_s} \right) - \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \phi_{s1}) = \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \phi_e)$$

Growth accel.  
of  $\rho_{s1}$

$F_{\text{pressure}}$

$F_{\text{grav, self}}$

$F_{\text{grav, ext}}$

(spec. forces)

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \rho_{s1} - \rho_0 \nabla^2 h_{s1} - \rho_0 \nabla^2 \phi_{s1} = \rho_0 \nabla^2 \phi_e$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad - v_s^2 \nabla^2 \rho_{s1} \quad \textcircled{3} \quad - 4\pi G \rho_0 \rho_{s1} \quad \text{under } 4\pi G \rho_0 \rho_e$$

$$\nabla^2 \phi_e = 4\pi G \rho_e$$

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \rho_{s1} - v_s^2 \nabla^2 \rho_{s1} - 4\pi G \rho_0 \rho_{s1} = 4\pi G \rho_0 \rho_e$$

pressure

self grav.

ext. grav.

Differential equation for  $\rho_{s1}$  only  
Evolution of a perturbation in an  
homogeneous fluid

## Some simple cases

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} p_{s1} - v_s^2 \nabla^2 p_{s1} - 4\pi G \rho_0 p_{s1} = 4\pi G \rho_0 p_e$$

1) no gravity, no ext forces

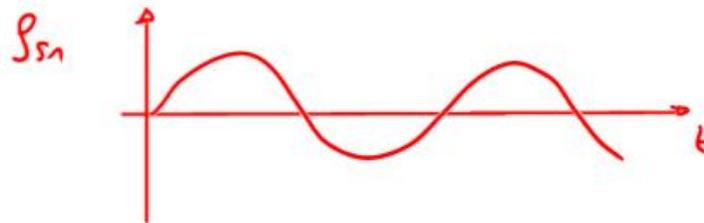
$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} p_{s1} - v_s^2 \nabla^2 p_{s1} = 0$$

In 1-D  $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} p_{s1}(x,t) - v_s^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} p_{s1}(x,t) = 0$  (wave equation)

general solution :  $f$  : an arbitrary function

$$p_{s1}(x,t) = \underbrace{f(x - v_s t)}_{\text{move at speed } v_s} + \underbrace{f(x + v_s t)}_{\text{move at speed } -v_s}$$

sound wave traveling at sound speed  $v_s$



oscillatory  
solution

**STABLE**

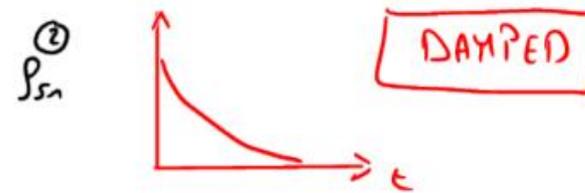
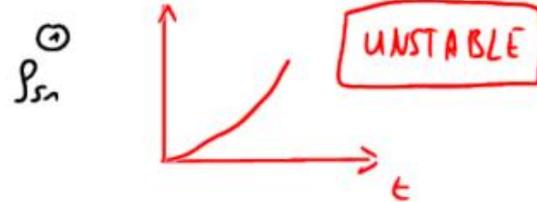
$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \rho_{s1} - v_s^2 \nabla^2 \rho_{s1} - 4\pi G \rho_0 \rho_{s1} = 4\pi G \rho_0 \rho_e$$

2) no pressure, no external forces

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \rho_{s1} = 4\pi G \rho_0 \rho_{s1}$$

Solutions: any linear combination of

$$\rho_{s1}^{(1)}(x,t) = \tilde{\rho}(\vec{x}) e^{\sqrt{4\pi G \rho_0} t} \quad \text{and} \quad \rho_{s1}^{(2)}(x,t) = \tilde{\rho}(\vec{x}) e^{-\sqrt{4\pi G \rho_0} t}$$



3) no external forces

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \rho_{s1} - v_s^2 \nabla^2 \rho_{s1} - 4\pi G \rho_0 \rho_{s1} = 0$$

pressure  
stabilize

self-gravity  
destabilize

## General solutions

$$e^{i(\vec{k}\vec{x} - \omega t)}$$

•  $\times e^{-i\vec{k}\vec{x}} + \int d^3\vec{x} \Rightarrow$  spatial Fourier transform

$$\bar{f}_{S_1}(\vec{k}, t) = \int d^3x e^{-i\vec{k}\vec{x}} f_{S_1}(\vec{x}, t)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \bar{f}_{S_1}(\vec{k}, t) + v_s^2 k^2 \bar{f}_{S_1}(\vec{k}, t) - 4\pi G \rho_0 \bar{f}_{S_1}(\vec{k}, t) = 4\pi G \rho_0 \bar{f}_e(\vec{k}, t)$$

(after the)

Evolution in absence of perturbation

$$f_e(x, t) = 0 \quad \bar{f}_e = 0$$

Solutions are in the form

$$\bar{f}_{S_1}(\vec{k}, t) \sim e^{-i\omega t} \quad \omega = \omega(|\vec{k}|) \in \mathbb{C}$$
$$k = |\vec{k}|$$

Introducing in the previous equation, we get the dispersion relation

$$\omega^2(k) = v_s^2 k^2 - 4\pi G \rho_0$$



More discussion

$$k_J^2 = \frac{4\pi G \rho_0}{v_s^2}$$

$$\omega^2(k) = v_s^2(k^2 - k_J^2)$$

Assume a perturbation with a fixed wave number  $k$ .

①  $\rho_0 = 0$  (no gravity)

$$\Rightarrow k_J = 0$$

$k > k_J$

$$\omega^2(k) = v_s^2 k^2 \in \mathbb{R}_e$$

dispersion relation  
for a sound wave  
oscillation at frequ.  $\omega$

$$\bar{p}_{sn} \sim e^{-i\omega t}$$

STABLE

②  $\rho_0 \neq 0$

$k > k_J$

$\omega$  decreases with  $k$  increases

STABLE

$k = k_J$

$$\omega = 0$$

$k < k_J$

$$\omega^2 \in \mathbb{I}_m$$

UNSTABLE

③  $\rho \gg v_s^2 / 4\pi G$  (no pressure)  $k_J \rightarrow \infty$

UNSTABLE

## Definitions

Jeans length

$$\lambda_J = \frac{e\pi}{k_J} = \sqrt{\frac{\pi v_s^2}{G\rho_0}}$$

$$\lambda > \lambda_J \Rightarrow \text{UNSTABLE}$$

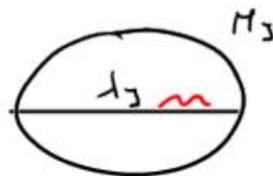
Jeans mass

Mass inside a sphere of radius  $\frac{1}{2} \lambda_J$

$$M_J = \frac{4}{3} \pi \left(\frac{1}{2} \lambda_J\right)^3 \rho_0$$

$$M_J = \frac{\pi^{5/2}}{6} \frac{v_s^3}{G^{3/2} \rho_0^{1/2}}$$

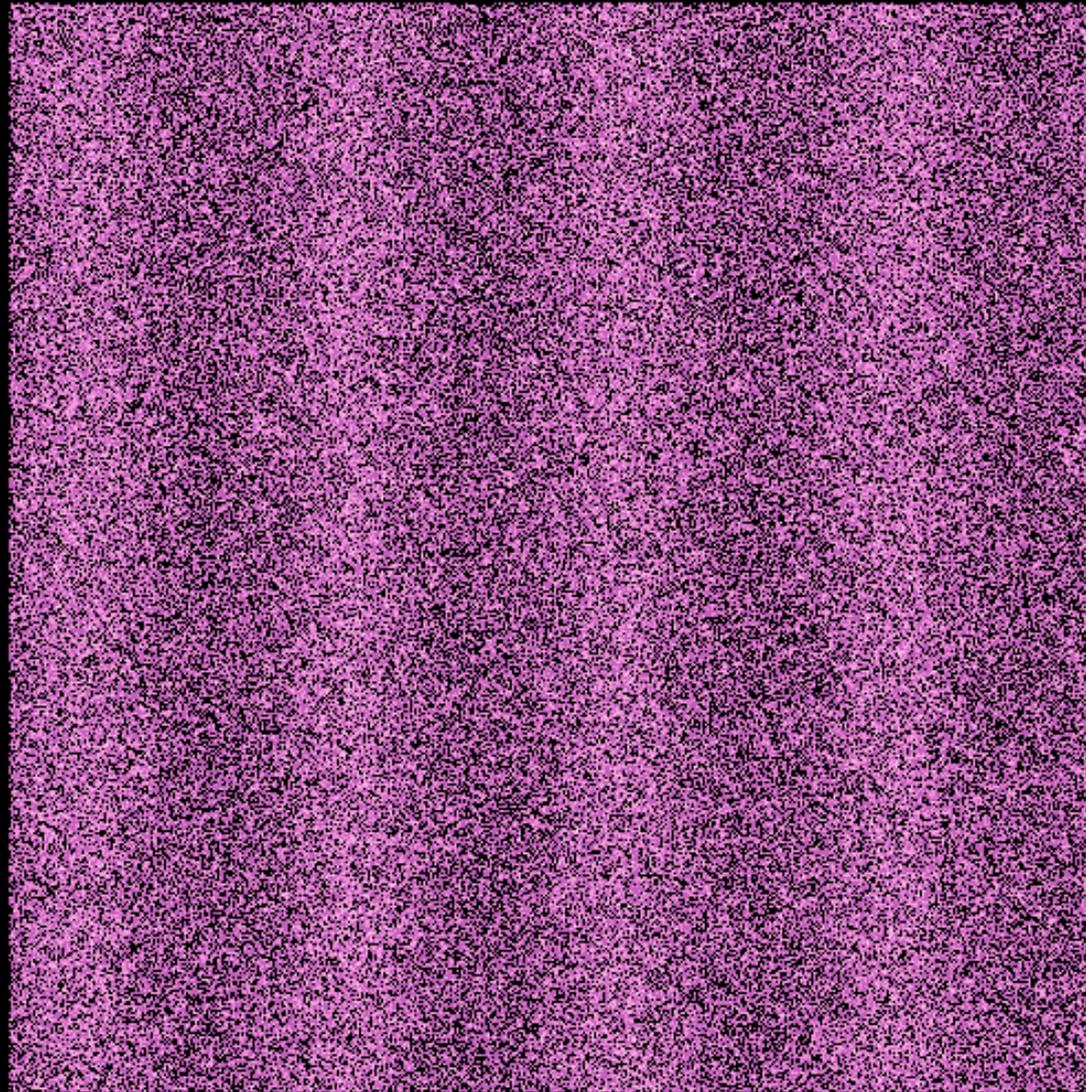
"Minimum mass that can collapse"



any perturbation with  $\lambda < \lambda_J$  i.e. involving a mass  $< M_J$  will be **STABLE**

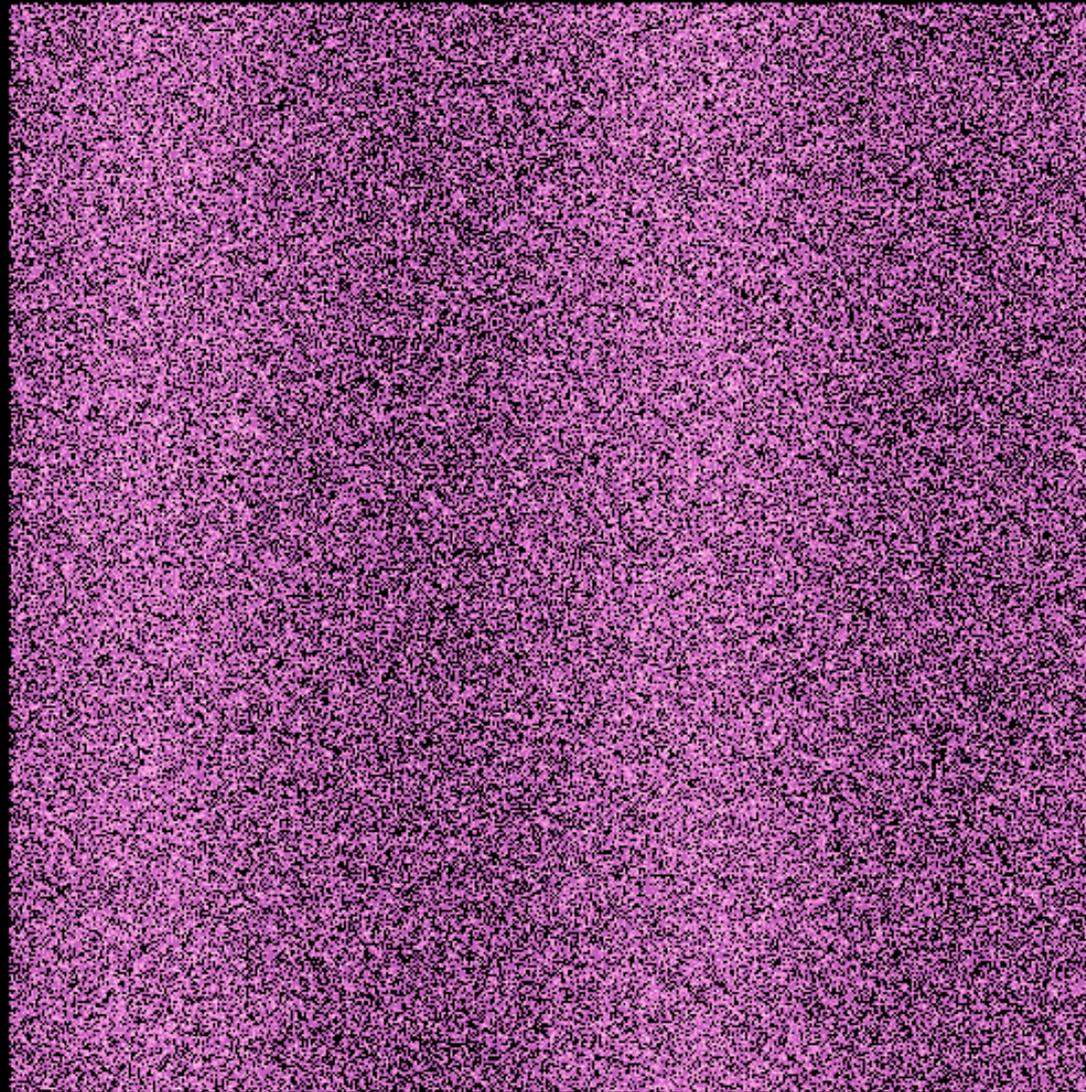
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$$\lambda_J = 1.50 \quad \lambda = 0.25$$



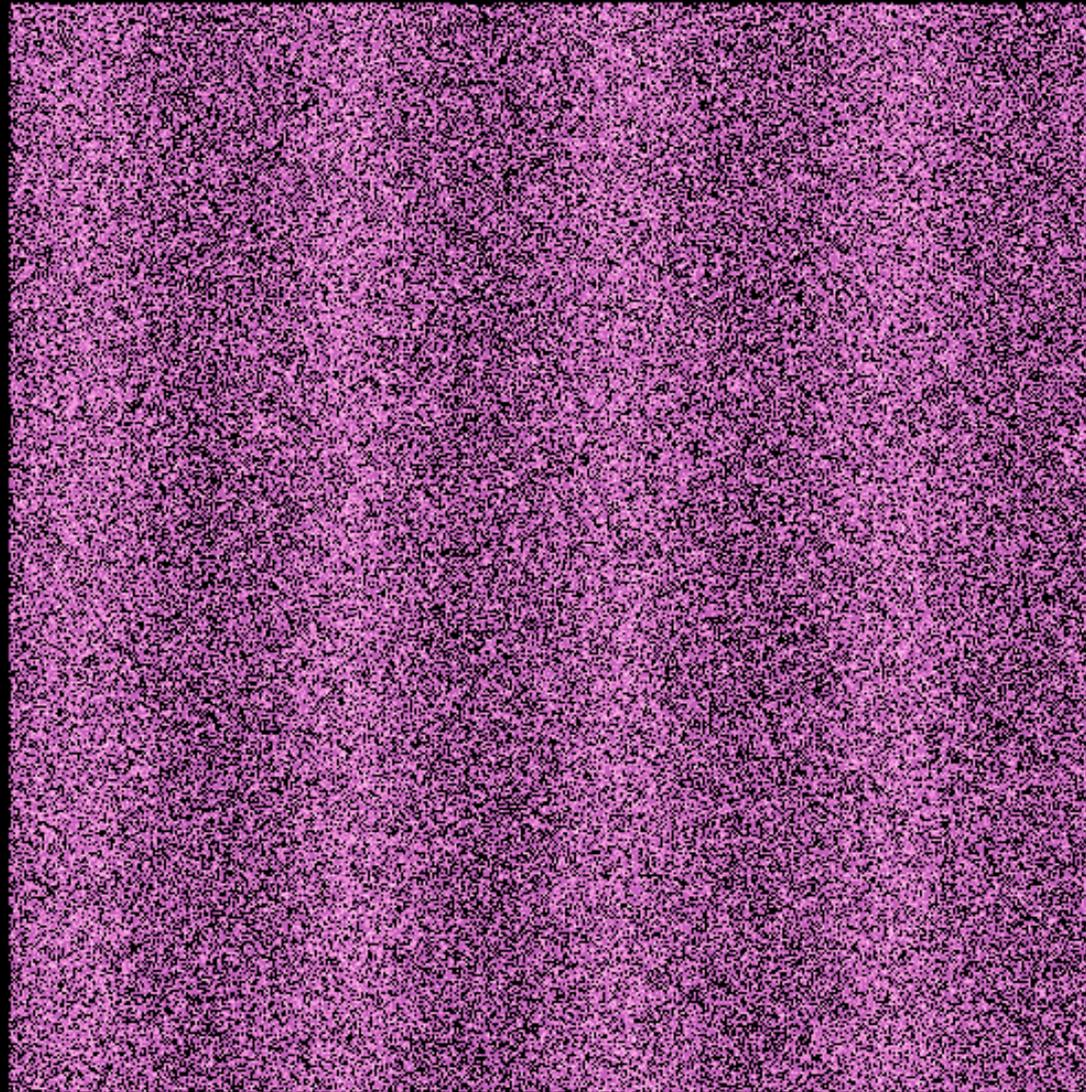
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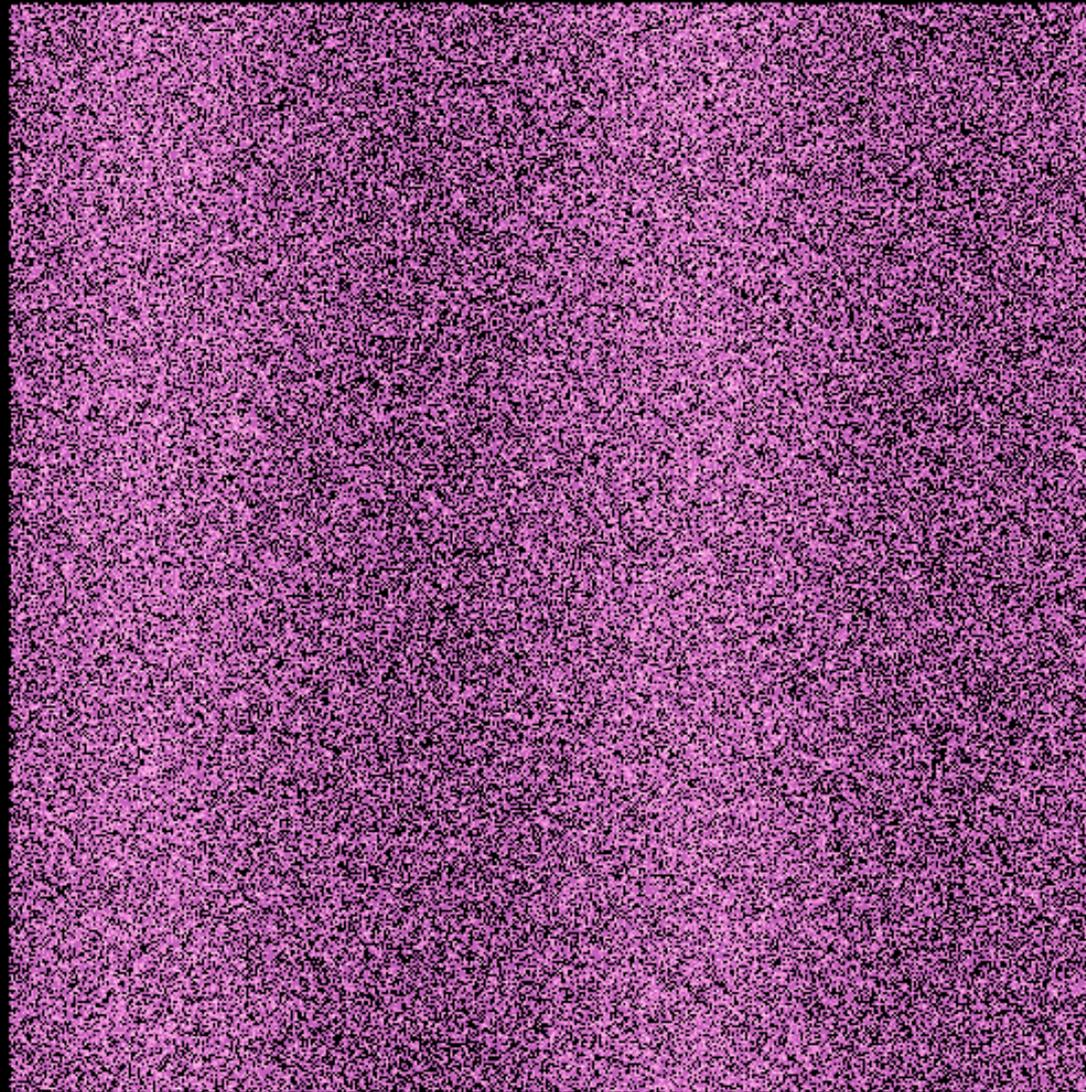
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# The response of an homogeneous stellar system

## Linearized equations

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{1} \quad \frac{\partial \rho_{s1}}{\partial t} + [\rho_{s1}, H_0] = [\rho_0, \phi_1] \\ \equiv \frac{\partial \rho_{s1}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \rho_{s1}}{\partial \vec{x}} \vec{v} - \cancel{\frac{\partial \rho_{s1}}{\partial \vec{v}} \frac{\partial \phi_0}{\partial \vec{x}}} = \frac{\partial \rho_0}{\partial \vec{v}} \frac{\partial \phi_1}{\partial \vec{x}} \equiv \frac{\partial \rho_0}{\partial \vec{v}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{x}} (\phi_{s1} + \phi_e) \\ \textcircled{2} \quad \nabla^2 \phi_{s1} = 4\pi G \rho_{s1} = 4\pi G \int d^3\vec{v} \rho_{s1} \end{array} \right.$$

$\phi_0 = 0$

## Manipulation + special Fourier space

$$\bar{\rho}_1(\vec{k}, \vec{v}, t) = i\vec{k} \cdot \frac{\partial \rho_0}{\partial \vec{v}} \int_{-\infty}^t dt' e^{i\vec{k}\vec{v}(t-t')} [\bar{\phi}_{s1}(\vec{k}, t') + \bar{\phi}_e(\vec{k}, t')]$$

⚠ The DF depends on the past history  $\left( \int_{-\infty}^t \rho_{s1} + \rho_e \right)$

## Integration over $d^3\vec{v}$ + Poisson

$$\downarrow \bar{f}_{sn}(\vec{k}, t) = -\frac{4\pi G}{k^2} i \int d^3\vec{v} \vec{k} \cdot \frac{\partial \rho_0}{\partial \vec{v}} \int_{-\infty}^t dt' e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{v}(t-t')} [\bar{f}_{sn}(\vec{k}, t') + \bar{f}_e(\vec{k}, t')]$$

In temporal Fourier space

This term may diverge if  $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{v} = \omega$

$$\tilde{f}_{sn}(\vec{k}, \omega) = \int dt \bar{f}_{sn}(\vec{k}, t) e^{-i\omega t}$$

$$\tilde{f}_{sn}(\vec{k}, \omega) = \left( -\frac{4\pi G}{k^2} \int \frac{d^3\vec{v}}{\vec{k} \cdot \vec{v} - \omega} \vec{k} \cdot \frac{\partial \rho_0}{\partial \vec{v}} \right) \left( \tilde{f}_{sn}(\vec{k}, \omega) + \tilde{f}_e(\vec{k}, \omega) \right)$$

In absence of perturbation

$$f_e = 0$$

we must have:

$$-\frac{4\pi G}{k^2} \int \frac{d^3\vec{v}}{\vec{k} \cdot \vec{v} - \omega} \vec{k} \cdot \frac{\partial \rho_0}{\partial \vec{v}} = 1$$

$$\frac{\text{Im}(\omega) > 0}{\text{---}}$$

(instead, we may have a divergence)

This is our dispersion relation

$$\omega = \omega(\vec{k}, \rho_0)$$

Assuming a Maxwellian for the unperturbed DF  $f_0$

$$f_0(\vec{v}) = \frac{f_0}{(2\pi\sigma^2)^{3/2}} e^{-\frac{v^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

The dispersion relation becomes

$$-\frac{4\pi G}{k^2} \int \frac{d^3\vec{v}}{k \cdot \vec{v} - \omega} \bar{k} \cdot \frac{\partial f_0}{\partial \vec{v}} = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{4\pi G f_0}{k^2 \sigma^2} (1 + w' Z(w')) = 1$$

with

$$w' = \sqrt{2} k \sigma w \quad Z(w') = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} ds \frac{e^{-s^2}}{s - w'} = i\sqrt{\pi} e^{-w'^2} [1 + \text{erf}(iw')]$$

$$k = |k|$$

$$\text{erf}(z) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^z dt e^{-t^2}$$

The dispersion relation is  $\text{Im}(w) > 0$

$$\frac{4\pi G \rho_0}{k^2 \sigma^2} (1 + w' z(w')) = 1$$

$$w' = \sqrt{2} k \sigma w$$

$$z(w') = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} ds \frac{e^{-s^2}}{s - w'}$$

Defining  $k_J^2 = \frac{4\pi G \rho_0}{\sigma^2}$

fluid  $k_J^2 = \frac{4\pi G \rho_0}{c_s^2}$

$$\frac{k^2}{k_J^2} = 1 + w' z(w')$$

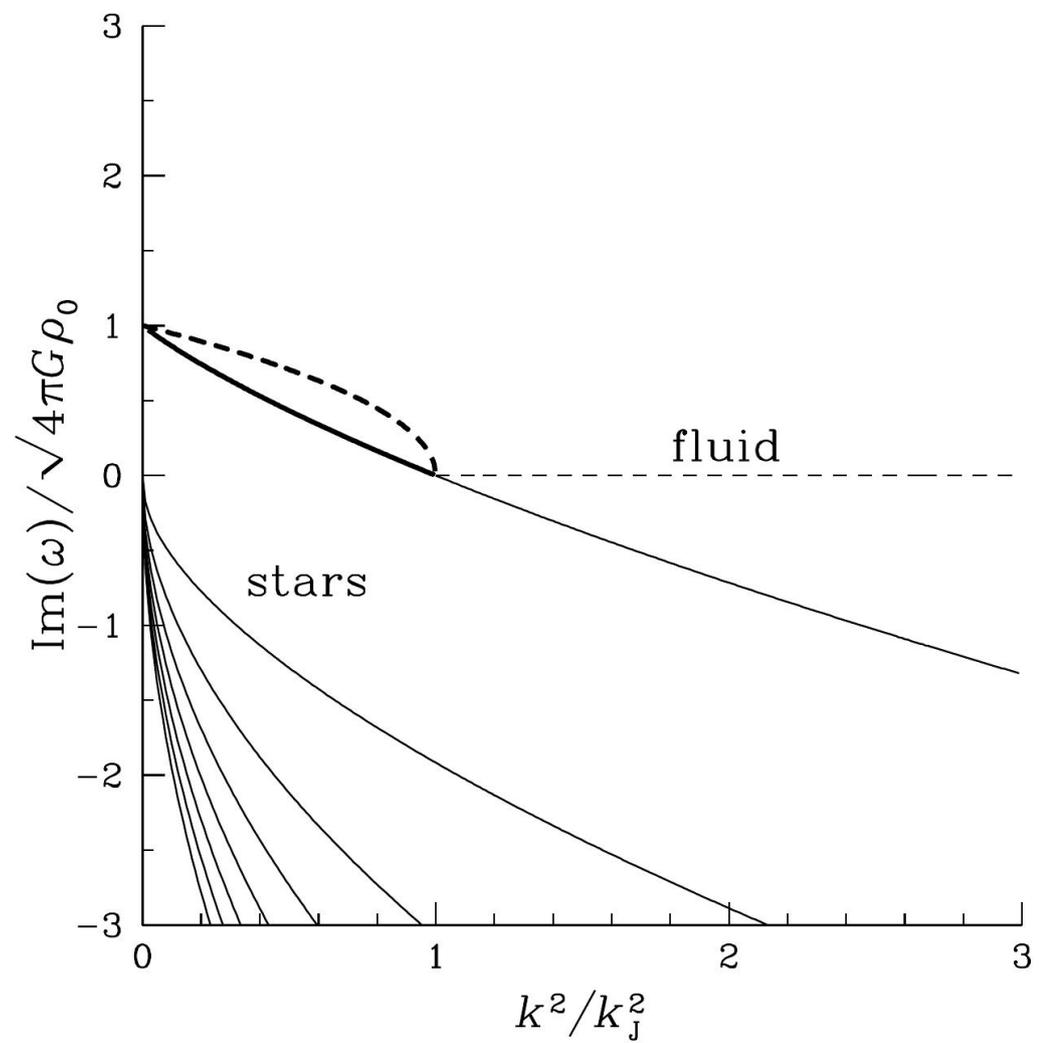
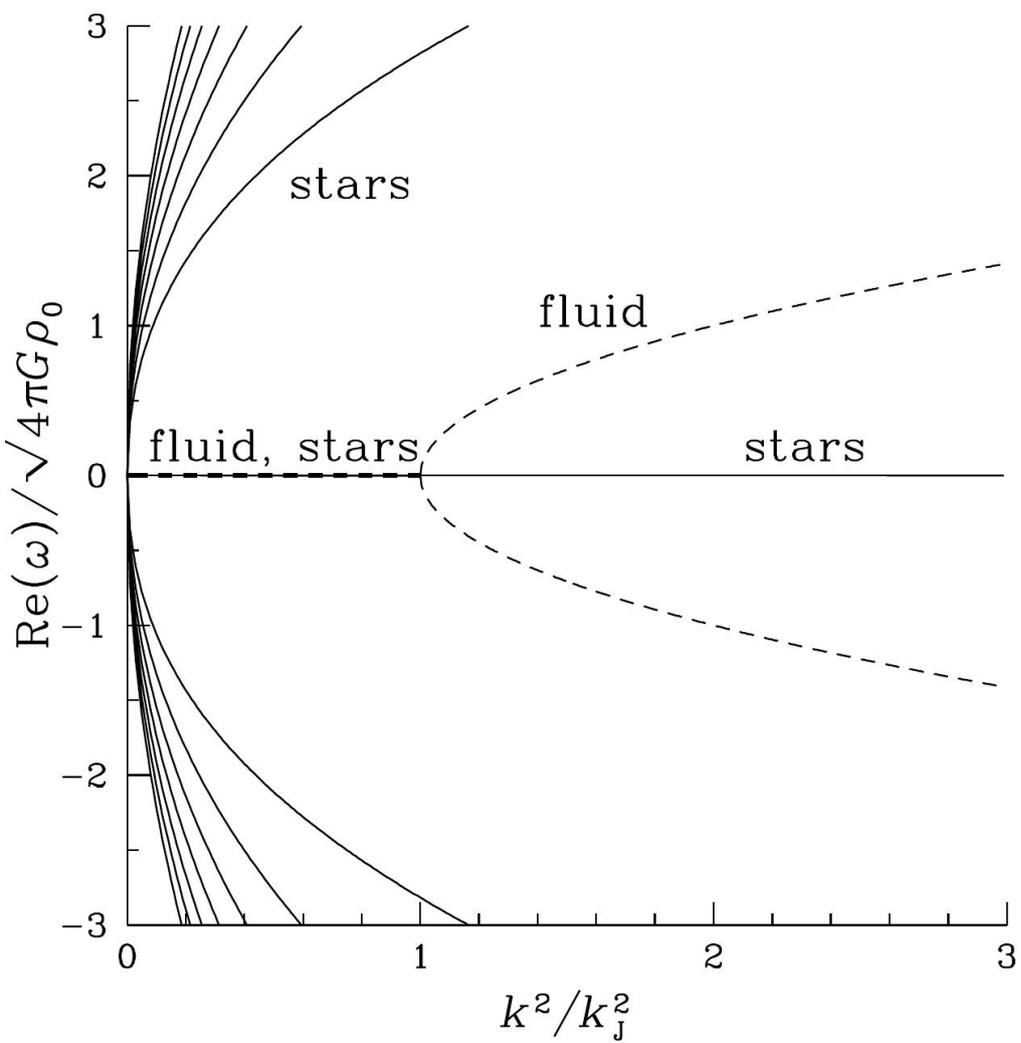
$$\frac{k^2}{k_J^2} = 1 + \frac{w^2}{k_J^2 c_s^2}$$

$$\frac{w^2}{z(w')} = \sigma^2 (k^2 - k_J^2)$$

$$w^2 = c_s^2 (k^2 - k_J^2)$$

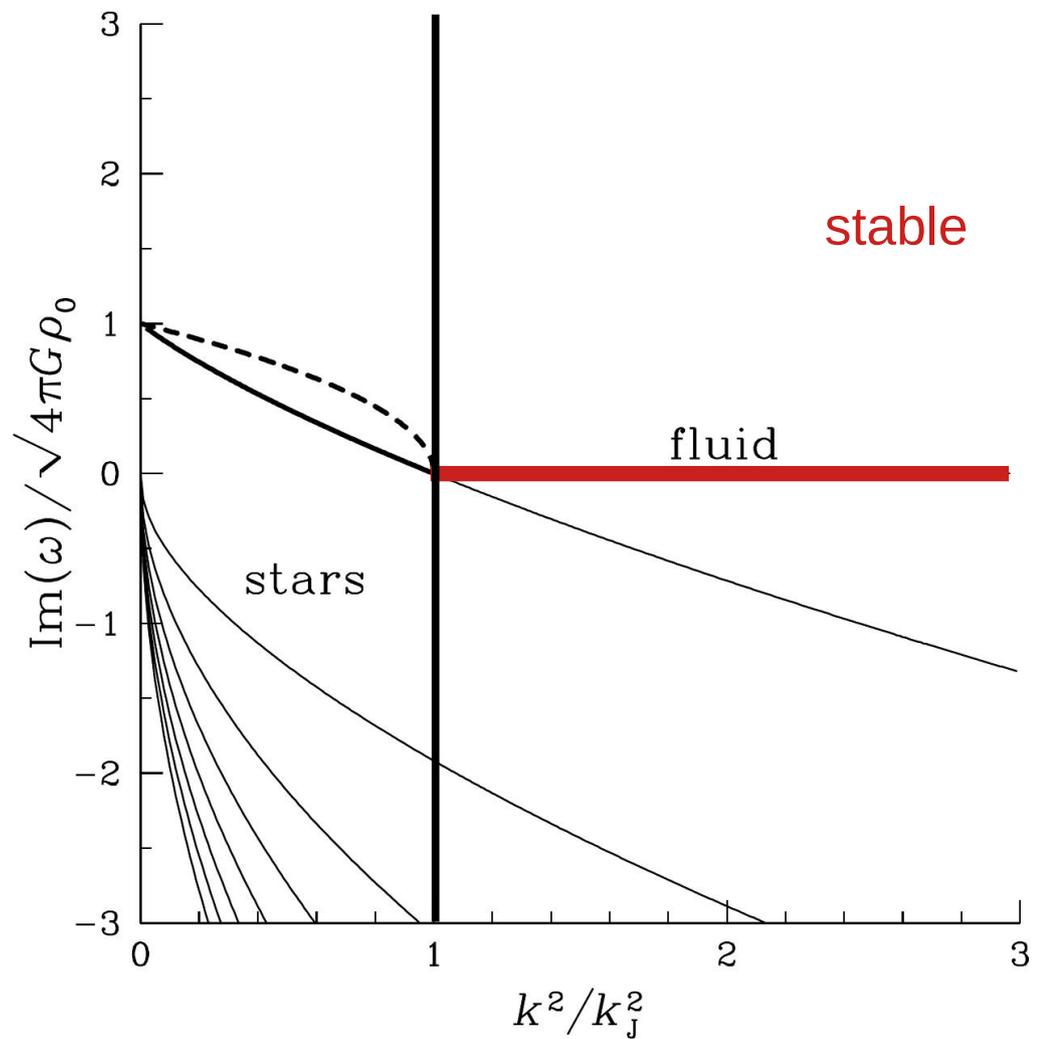
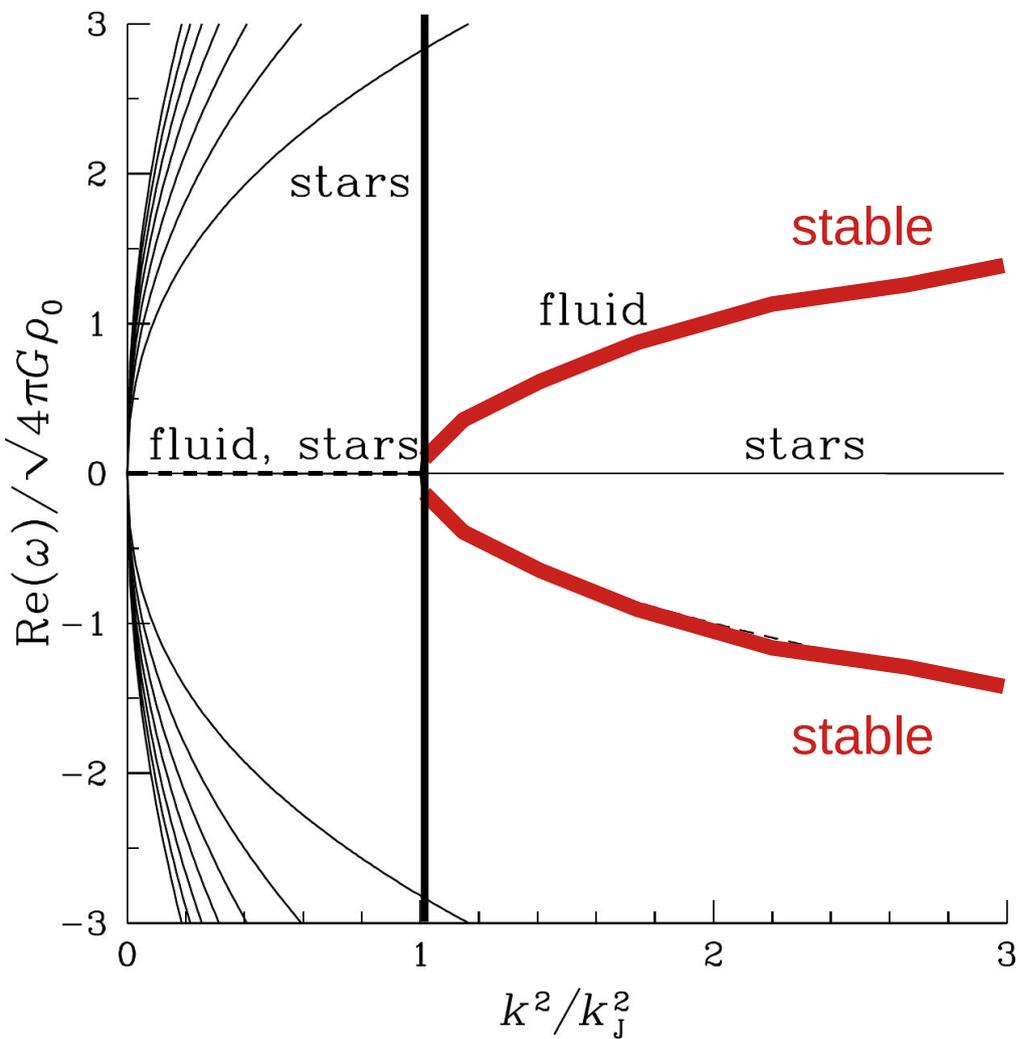
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! for  $\text{Im}(w) = 0$  or  $\text{Im}(w) < 0$  (a bit more tricky)



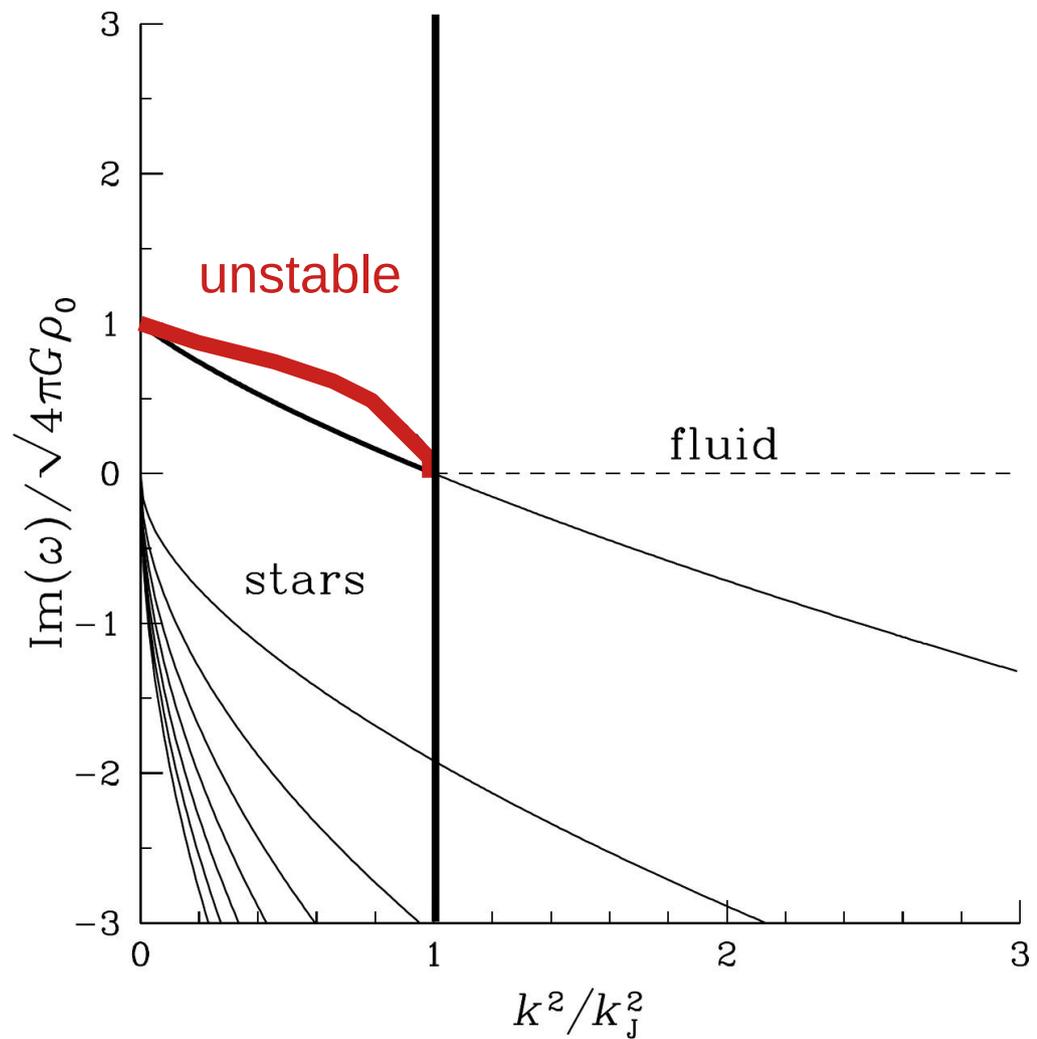
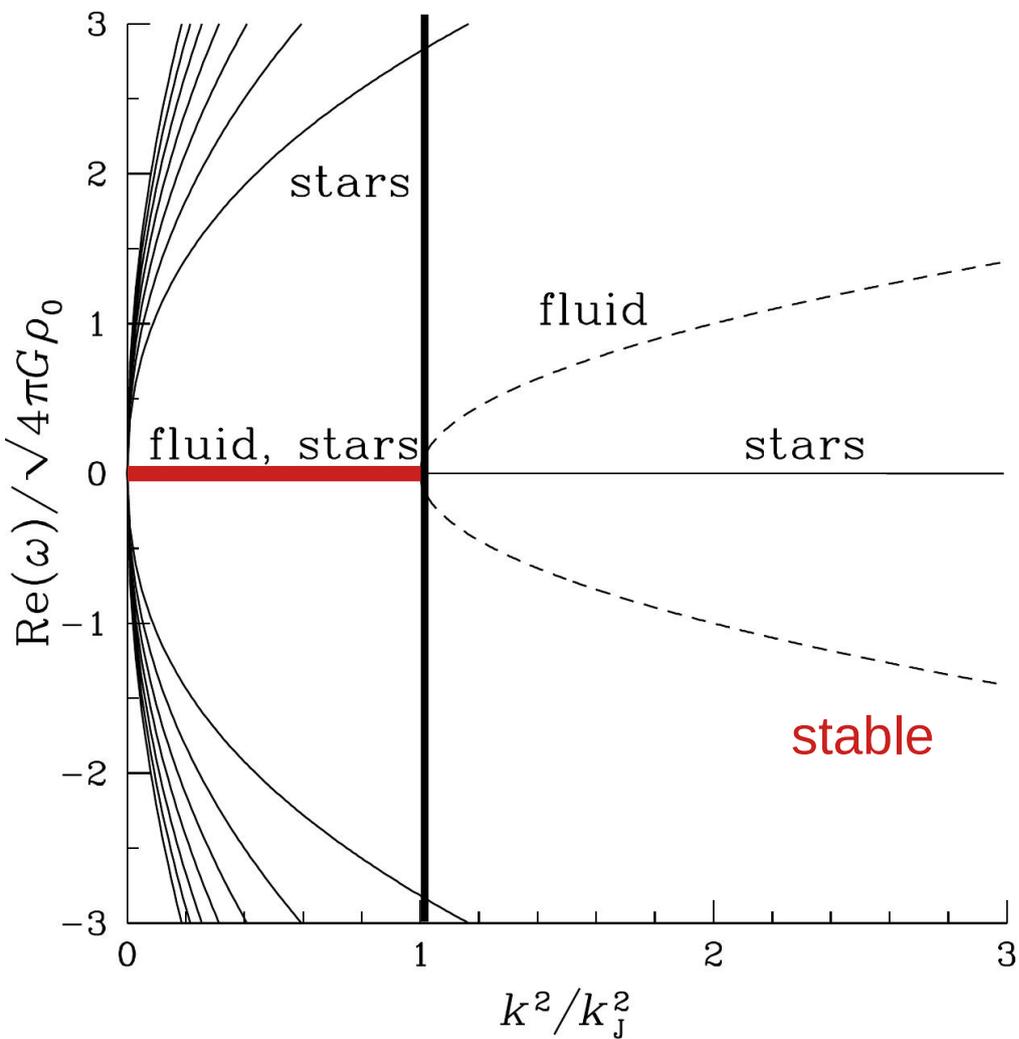
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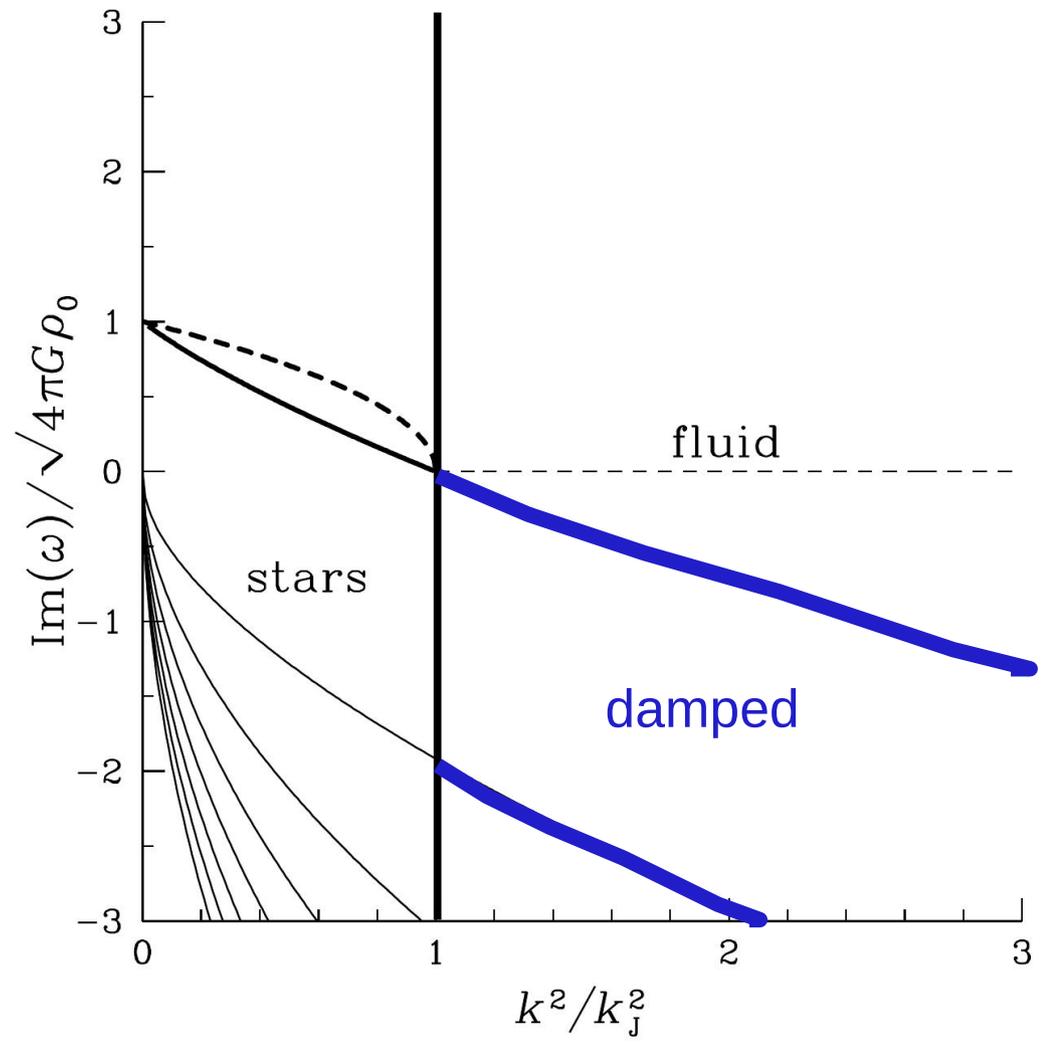
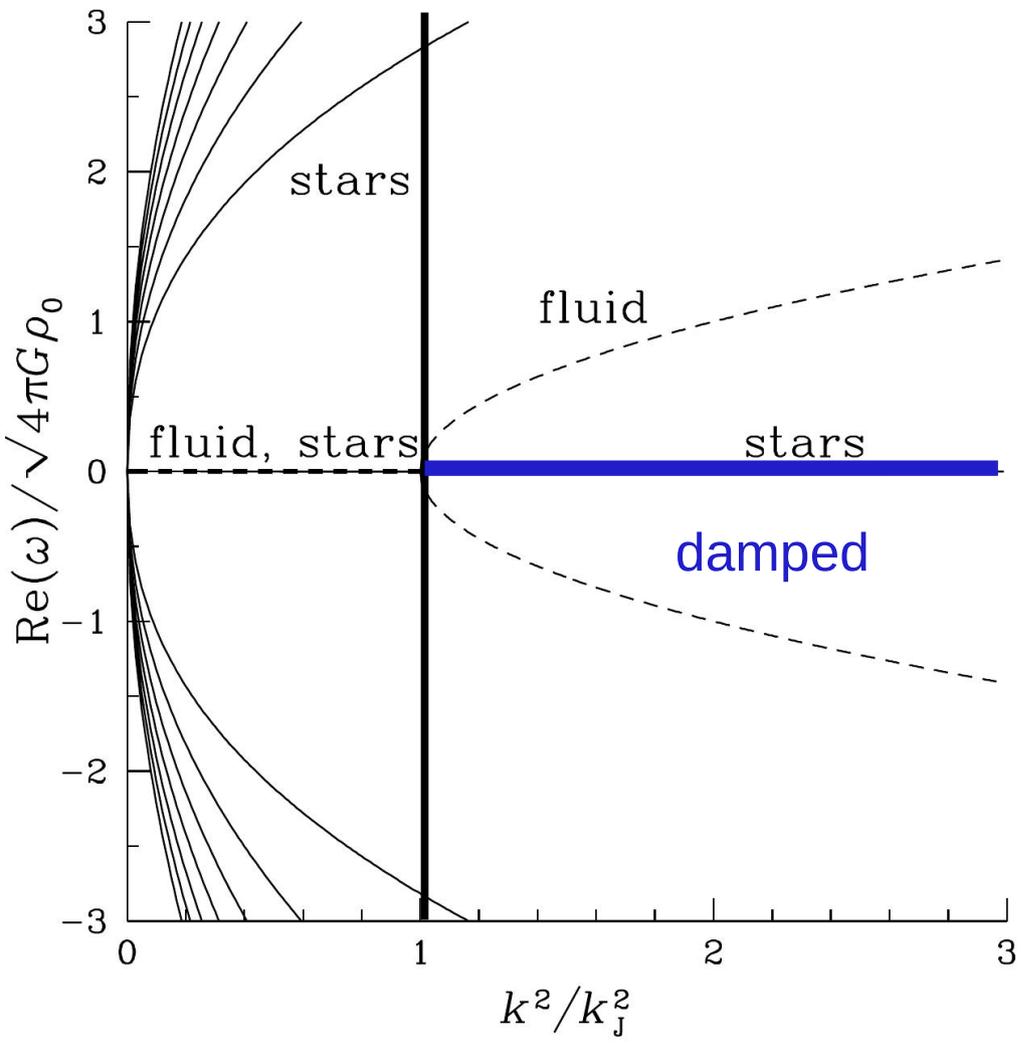
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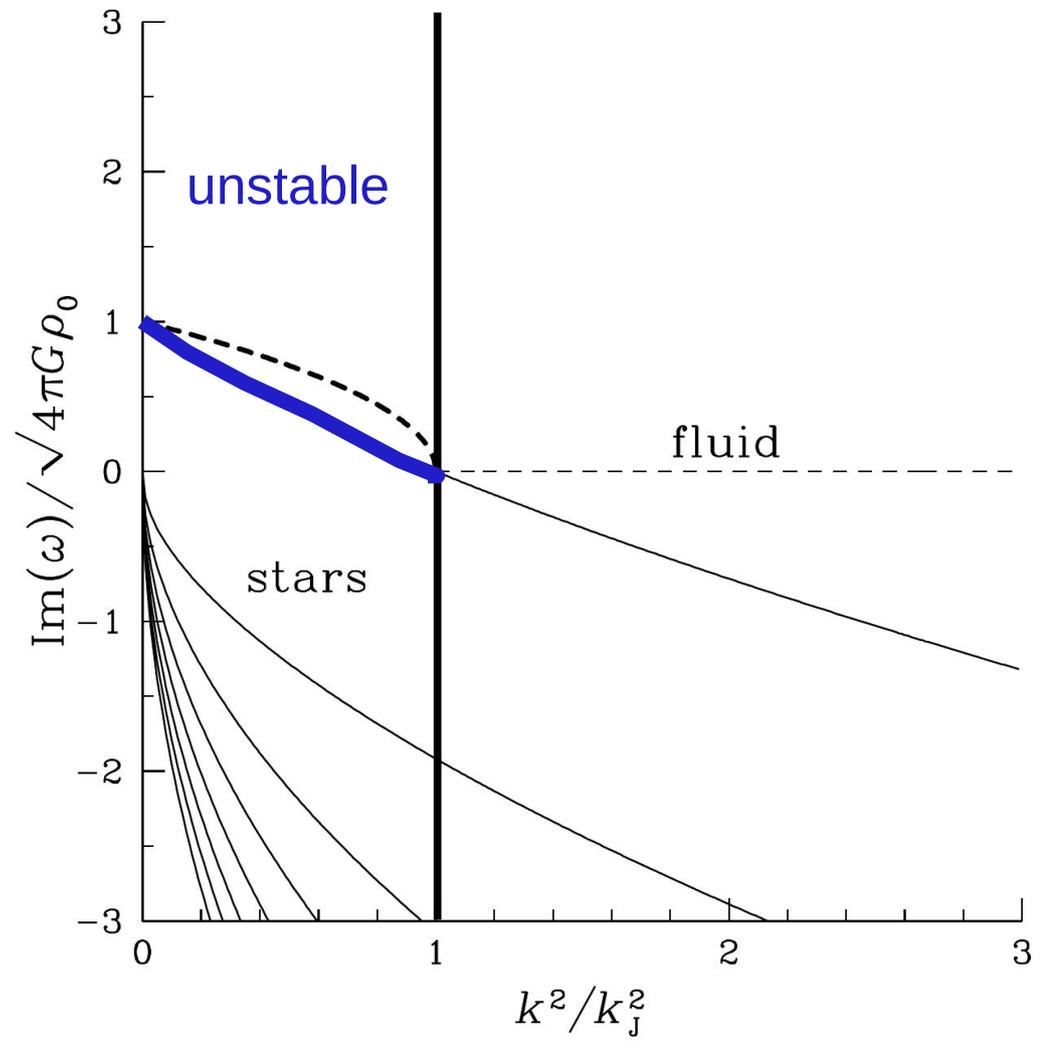
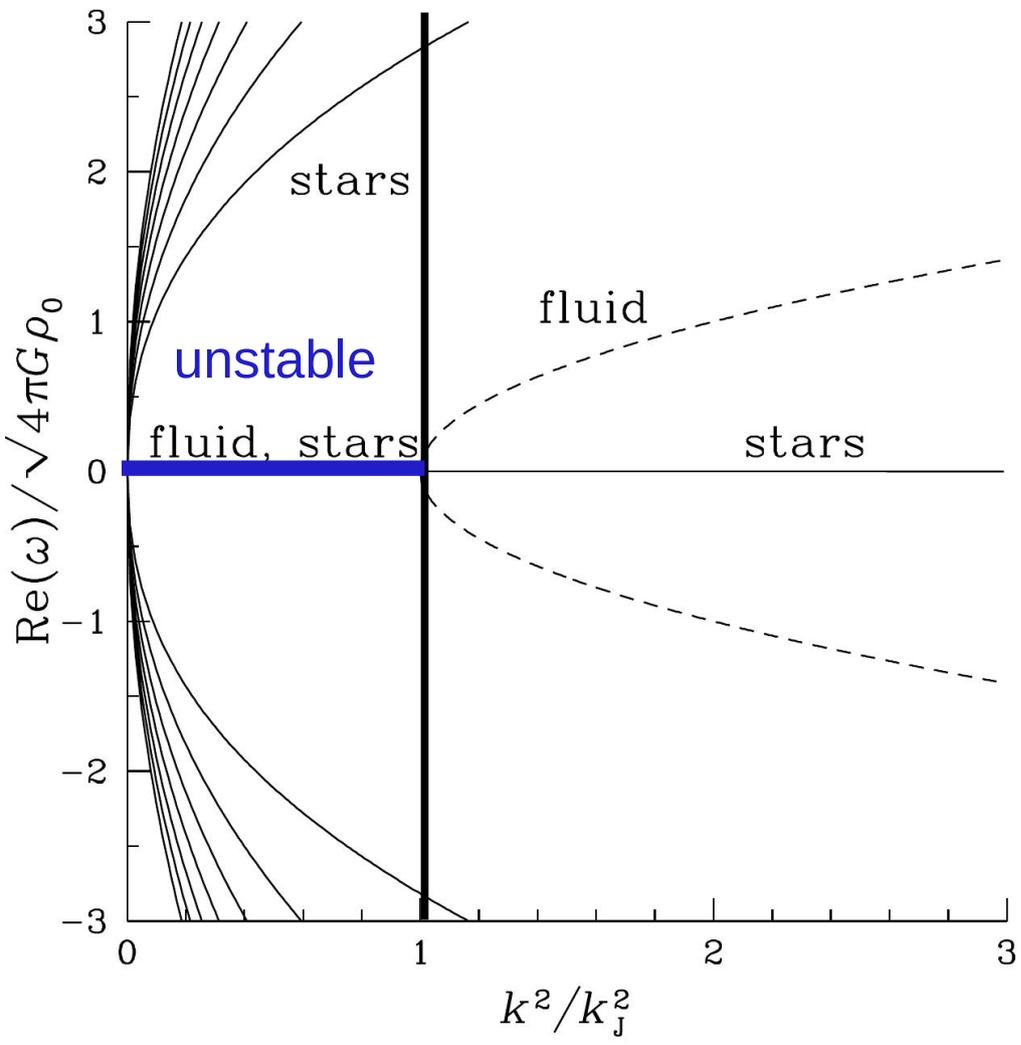
# The dispersion relation for stellar systems

$$\frac{k^2}{k_J^2} = \gamma + \omega' \cdot \zeta(\omega')$$



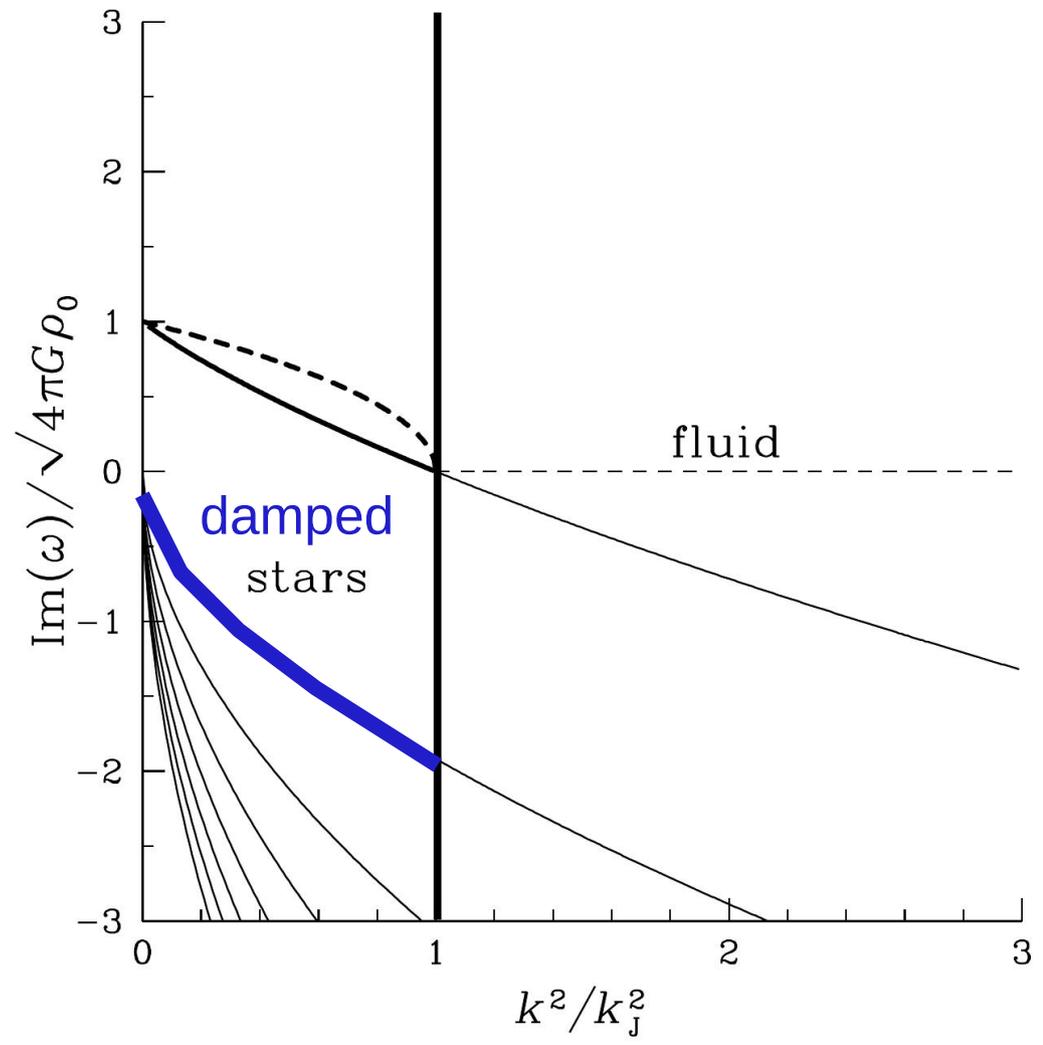
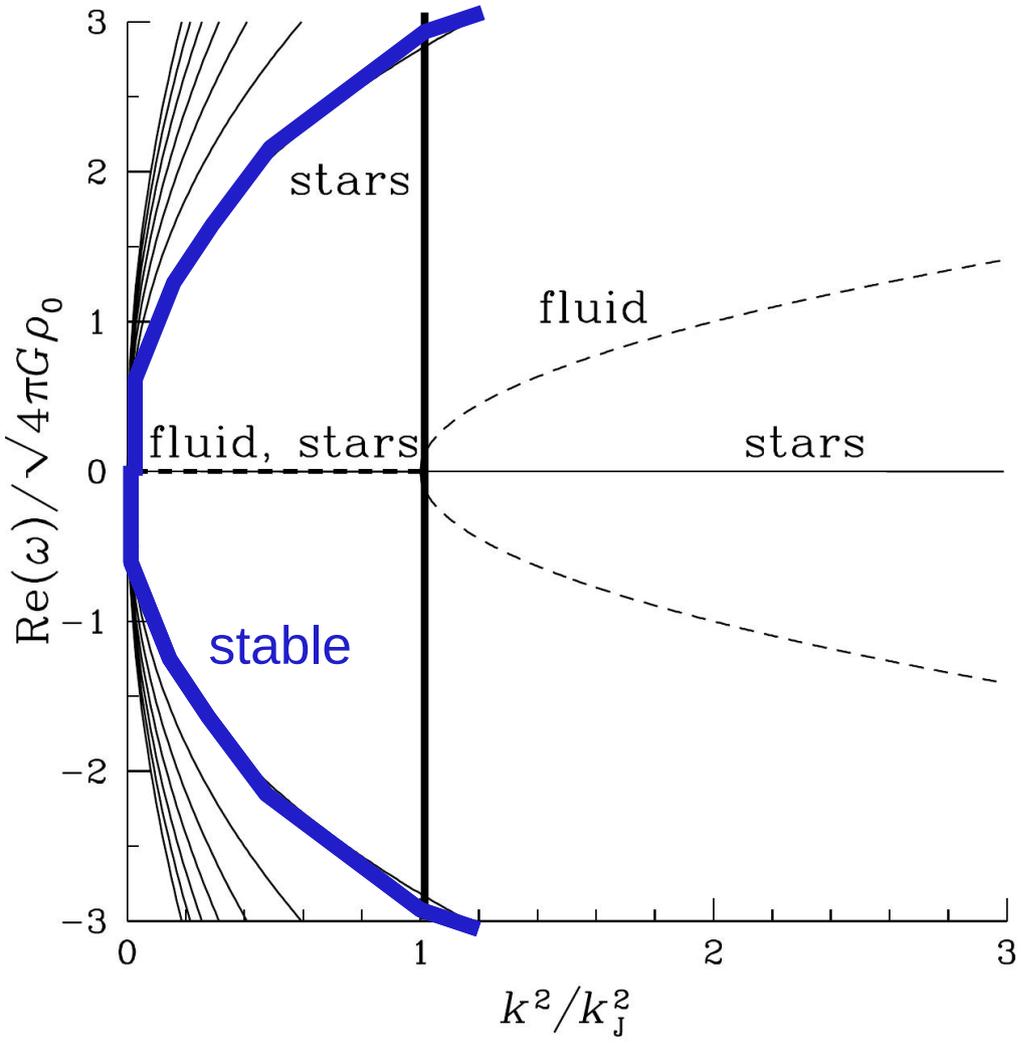
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# Stability

$$\tilde{f} \sim e^{-i\omega t}$$

(A) Unstable

$$\text{Im}(\omega) > 0, \text{Re}(\omega) = 0$$



$$\underline{k^2 < k_J^2} \quad (\text{same than hydro})$$

(B) Stable

$$\text{Im}(\omega) = 0, \text{Re}(\omega) \neq 0$$

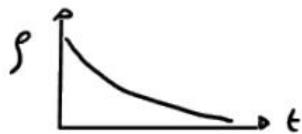


$$\underline{\omega = 0, k = k_J}$$

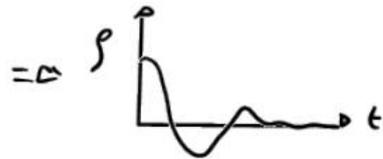
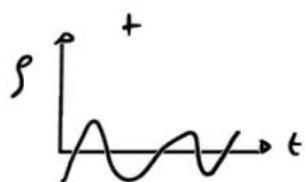
$\Rightarrow$  no stable solution

(C) Damped

$$\text{Im}(\omega) < 0$$



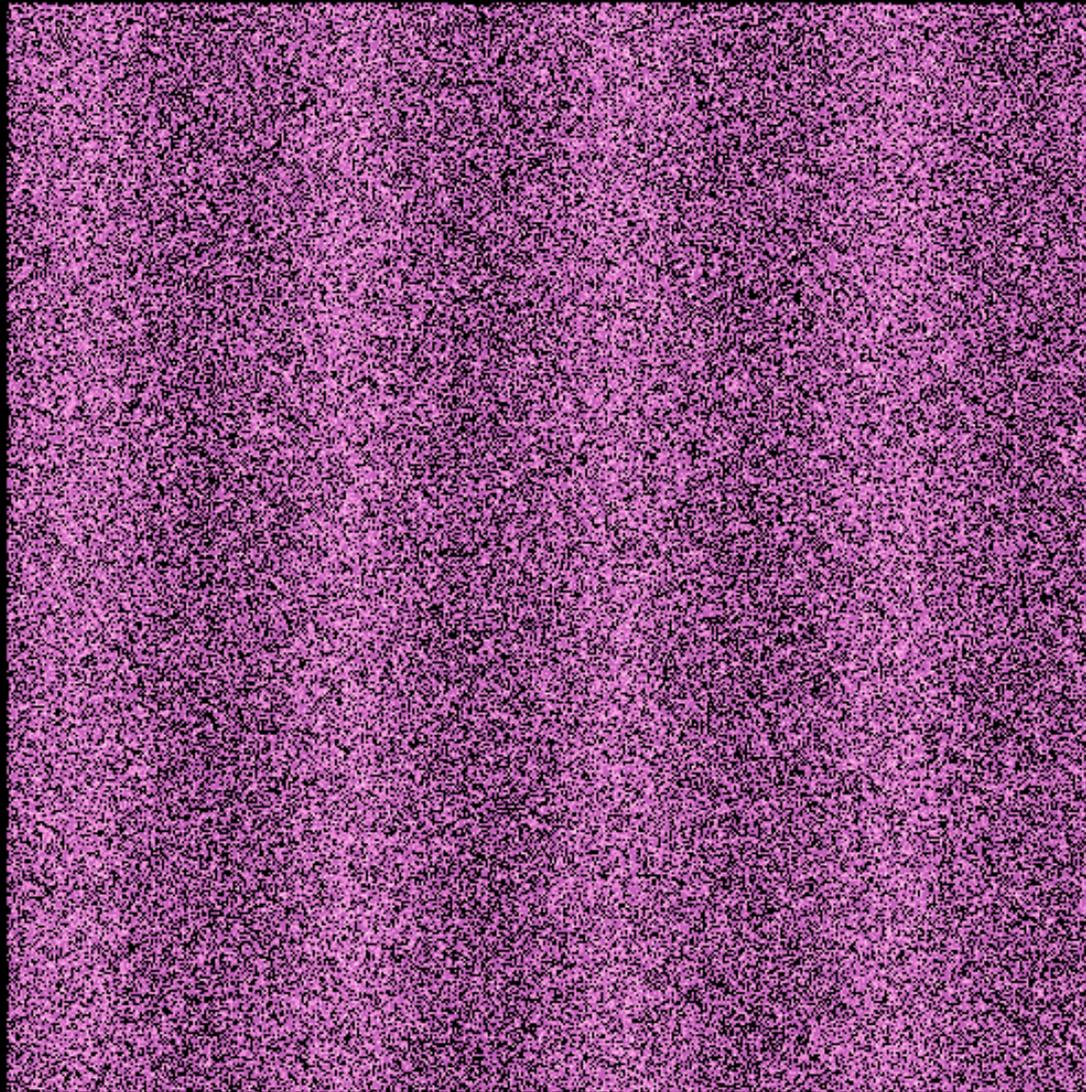
$\rightarrow$  plenty of damped solutions



(with or without oscillation)

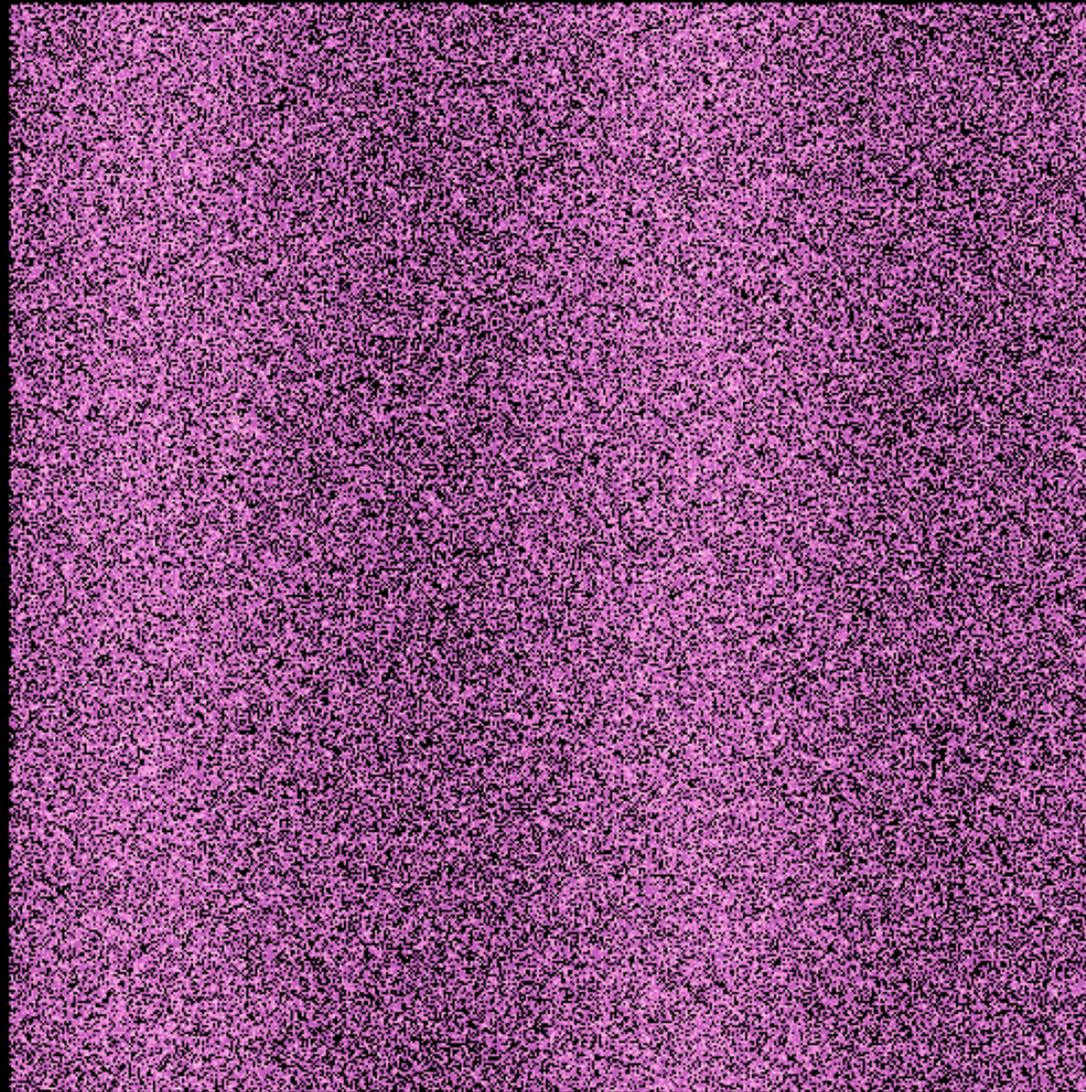
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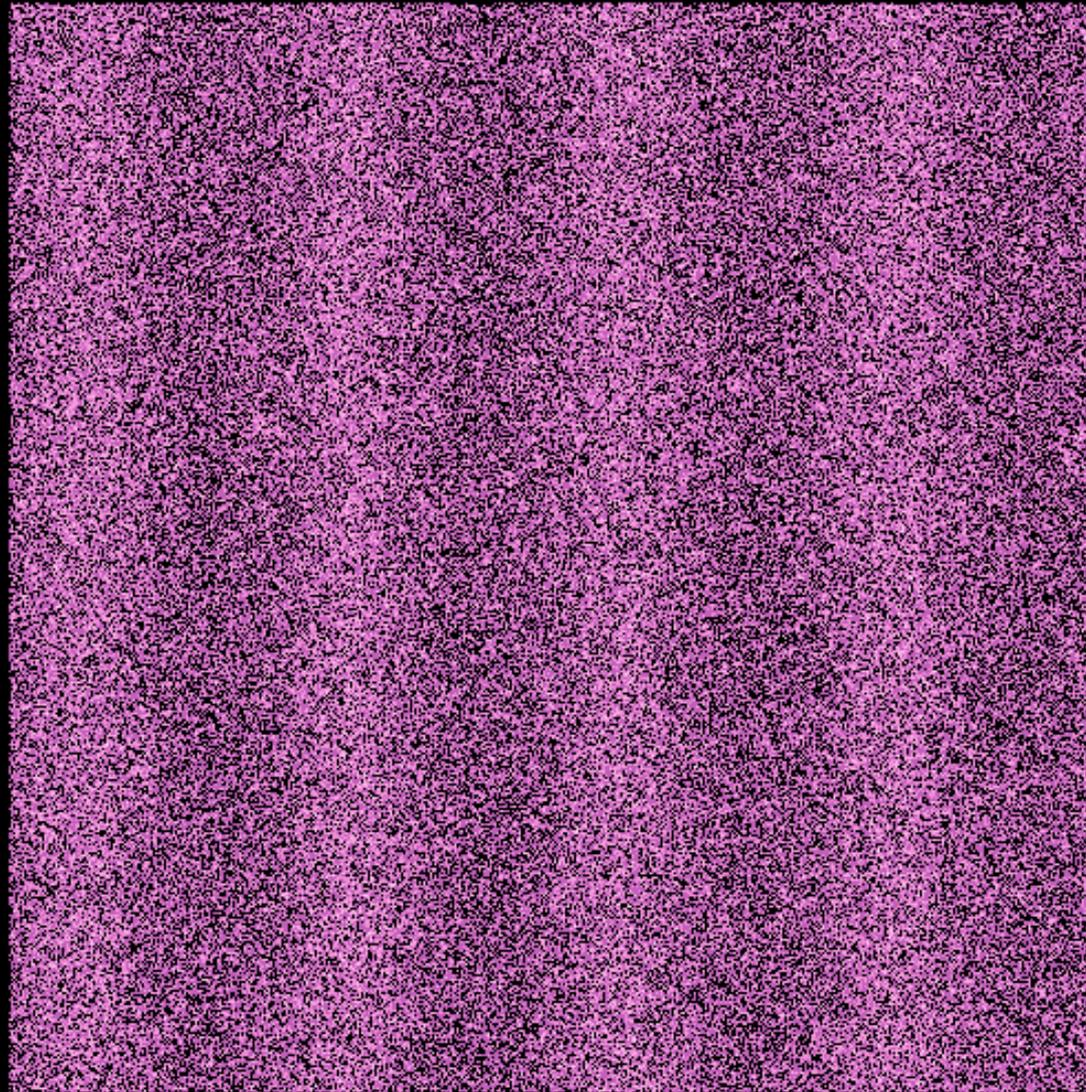
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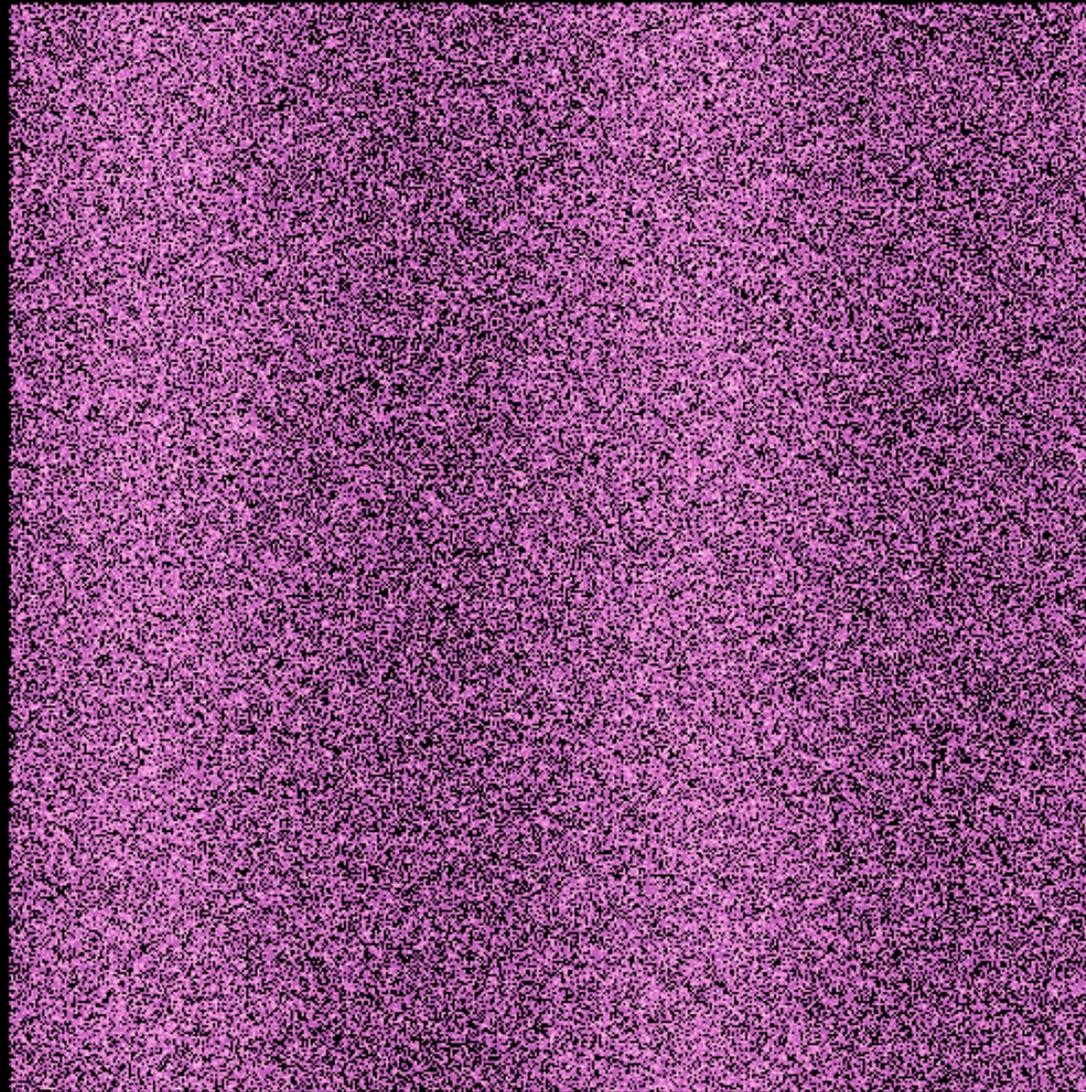
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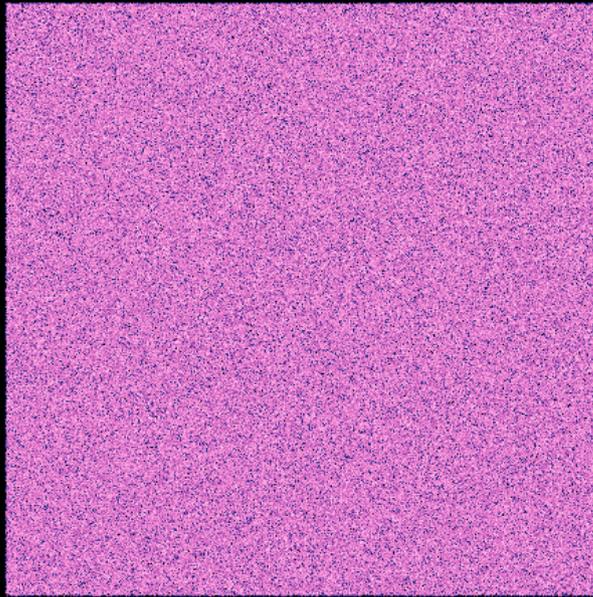
No perturbation : the instability is triggered by the noise due to the discretisation

$$\sigma = 0.1, r_J = 0.005$$

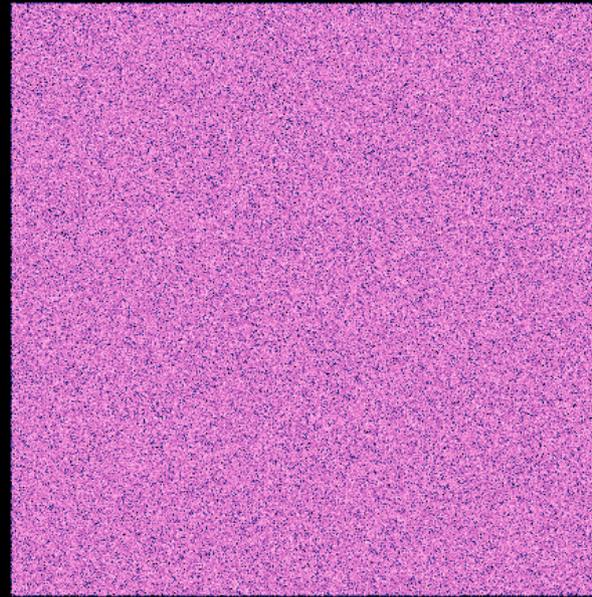
$$\sigma = 0.3, r_J = 0.05$$

$$\sigma = 0.7, r_J = 0.25$$

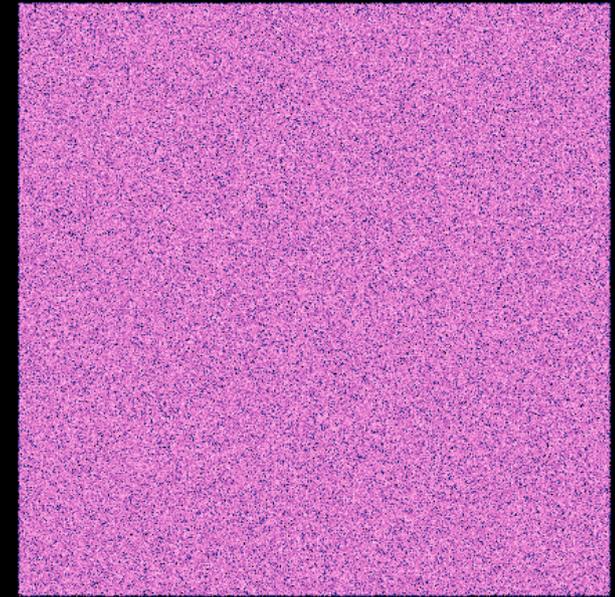
$t = 0.00$



$r_J = 0.005$



$r_J = 0.05$



$r_J = 0.25$

## Landau damping

The existence of solutions with  $\text{Im}(\omega) < 0$  is due to

$$\hat{f}_{S_1}(\vec{k}, \omega) = \left( -\frac{q\bar{n}G}{k^2} \int \frac{d^3\vec{v}}{\boxed{\vec{k}\cdot\vec{v} - \omega}} \vec{k} \cdot \frac{\partial f_0}{\partial \vec{v}} \right) \left( \hat{f}_{S_1}(\vec{k}, \omega) + \hat{f}_e(\vec{k}, \omega) \right)$$

## Wave in 1-D

$$f \sim f(kx - \omega t)$$



position / velocity of a static point with respect to the wave

$$x = \frac{\omega t}{k} + ck \quad v = \frac{\omega}{k} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boxed{kv - \omega = 0}$$

$\Rightarrow$  the integral diverges for particles moving at the same velocity than the wave

Interpretation: Density wave (perturbation) with a speed  $v_w = \frac{\omega}{k}$

① if a particle with  $v > v_w$  is trapped by the wave



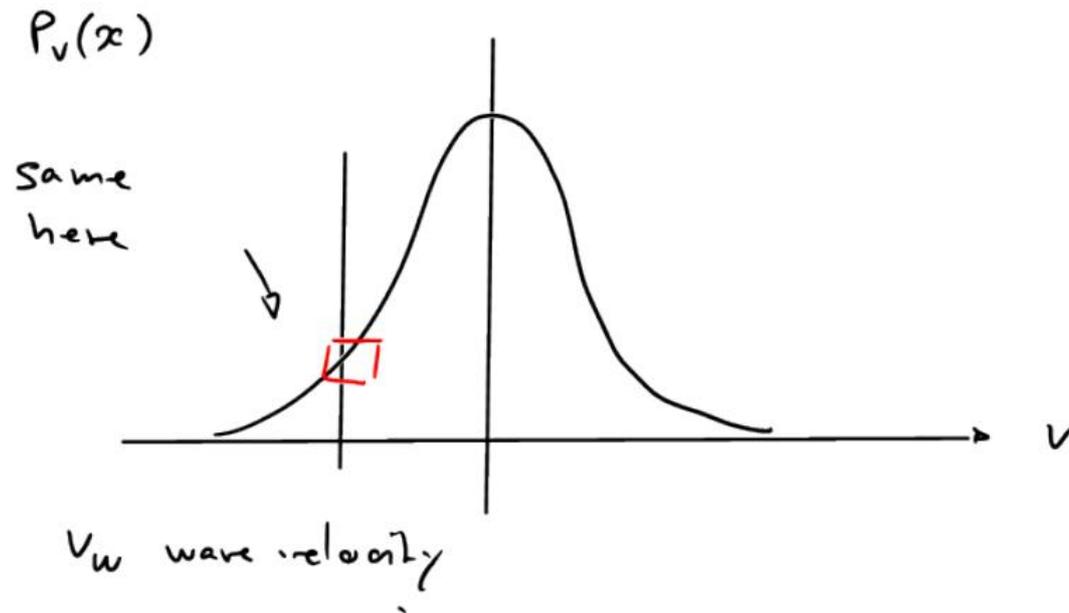
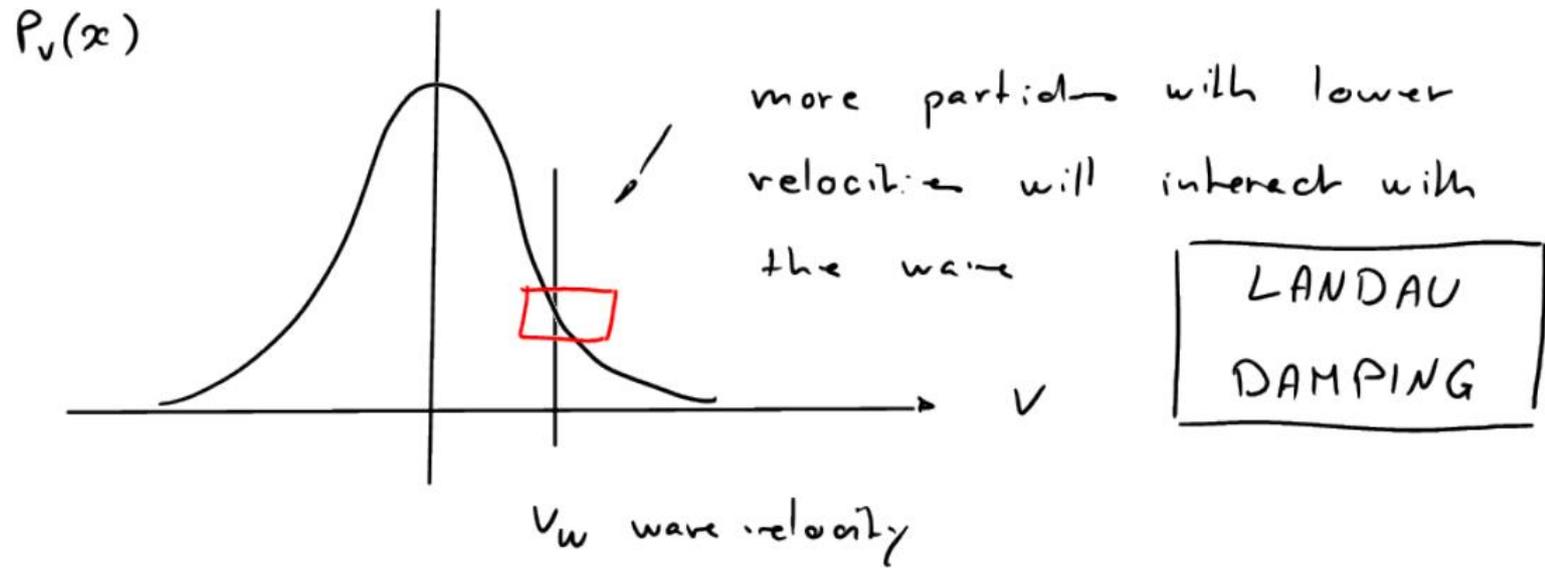
$\Rightarrow$  energy is **given** to the wave

② if a particle with  $v < v_w$  is trapped by the wave



$\Rightarrow$  energy is **taken** from the wave

If the velocity distribution function is Maxwellian:



**The End**

## Linear differential equations

$$f(x) : \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} g_0(x) + \dots + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} g_1(x) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} g_1(x) + f(x) g_0(x) = c$$

$g_i(x)$  : a continuous function

if  $f_1, f_2$  are solutions  $a f_1 + b f_2$  is a solution

### Illustration

- 1-D continuity equation ( $f, v$ )

$$\frac{d}{dt} f + \underbrace{f \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}} = 0$$

→ those terms mixes  $f$  and  $v$

- 1-D linearized continuity equation ( $f_{s1}, v_1$ )

$$\frac{d}{dt} f_{s1} + f_0 \frac{\partial v_1}{\partial x} + v_0 \frac{\partial f_{s1}}{\partial x} = 0$$

→ no mixing