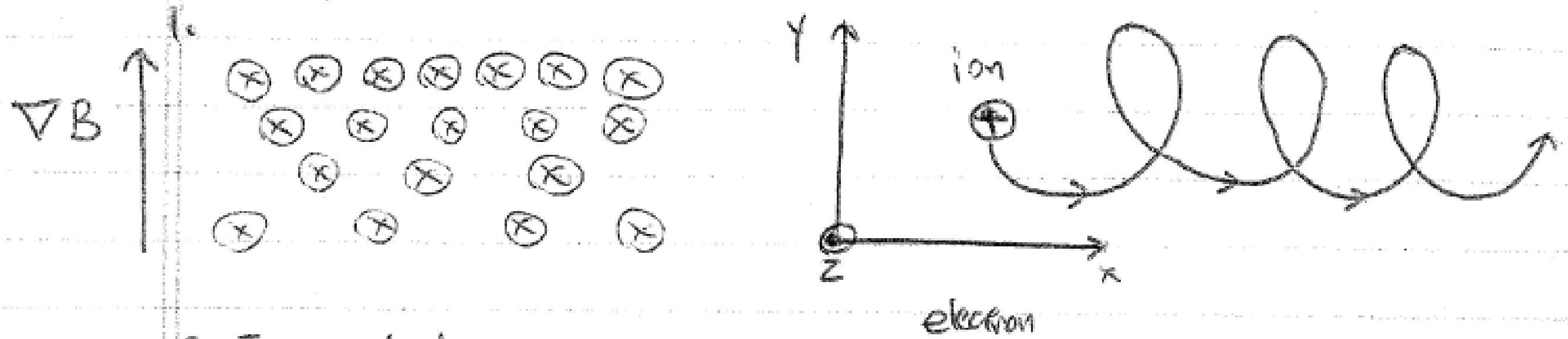


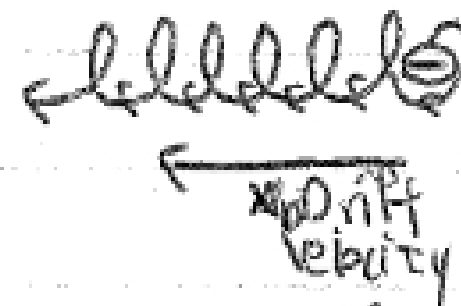
# Lecture #5: Particle Motion in Constant, Non-uniform $\underline{B}$ Fields HWESD

## I. The "Grad $B$ " Drift:

A. Simplest Case:  $\nabla|B| \perp \underline{B}$



2. Ions and electrons drift in opposite directions!



3. Two spatial scales characteristic of this problem:

a. Larmor radius  $r_L = \frac{v_{\perp}}{\omega_c}$

b. Magnetic Field Scale Length  $L = \left( \frac{\nabla B}{B} \right)^{-1}$

4. This problem can be done using a multiple-scale analysis using an expansion parameter

$$\epsilon = \frac{r_L}{L} \ll 1$$

a. In this case,  $\underline{B}$  changes little over the Larmor radius.

b. In general, for the case of  $\underline{E} = 0$ ,

$$m \frac{d\underline{v}}{dt} = q \underline{v} \times \underline{B}(\underline{r}) \leftarrow \text{We can expand in } \epsilon, \text{ solving order by order.}$$

~~the solution is generally complicated~~  
 c. But, the solution in general requires a bit of algebra and averaging, so rather than that we'll take a more "intuitive" approach.

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B. Intuitive approach based on average force,

1. Analogous to  $\underline{E} \times \underline{B}$  or Gravitational drift, the drift due to a general force  $\underline{F}$  (for  $m \frac{d\underline{v}}{dt} = q \underline{v} \times \underline{B} + \underline{F}$ )

is 
$$\underline{v}_D = \frac{1}{q} \frac{\underline{F} \times \underline{B}}{B_0^2}$$

2. We'll use a perturbative approach to find the effective averaged force due to a gradient in  $B_0$ , then use the formula above to find the drift.

3. 
$$\underline{F} = m \frac{d\underline{v}}{dt} = q [\underline{v} \times \underline{B}(r)]$$

4. Taylor Expansion:  $\underline{B}(r) = \underline{B}(r_0) + (r - r_0) \cdot \nabla \underline{B} + \frac{[(r - r_0) \cdot \nabla]^2 \underline{B}}{2!} + \dots$

a. Note, if we normalize this formula according to  $B_0 = |\underline{B}(r_0)|$ , we find

$$\frac{\underline{B}(r)}{B_0} = \hat{b} + (r - r_0) \cdot \frac{\nabla \underline{B}}{B_0}$$

$\mathcal{O}(1)$        $\mathcal{O}(r_0 \cdot \frac{(\nabla B / r)}{B_0}) = \mathcal{O}(\frac{r}{L})$

b. This, as usual, our Taylor Expansion is a good approximation if

$$\epsilon = \frac{r}{L} \ll 1.$$

5. a. To simplify the algebra, consider  $\underline{B}(y) = B_0 \hat{z} + \epsilon y \frac{\partial \underline{B}}{\partial y} \hat{z} + \dots$

b. Expand  $\underline{v} = \underline{v}_0 + \epsilon \underline{v}_1 + \dots$   
 unperturbed orbit for  $\nabla B = 0$       correction to orbit due to  $\nabla B$

6. From Lecture #3 for  $\underline{E} = 0$ , we know the orbit in the absence of the gradient gives

(take  $\hat{e}_1 = \hat{x}$  &  $\hat{e}_2 = \hat{y}$ )

$$\left. \begin{aligned} v_x &= v_{\perp} \cos \omega t \\ v_y &= -v_{\perp} \sin \omega t \\ v_z &= v_{\parallel 0} \end{aligned} \right\} \underline{v} = v_{\perp} (\cos \omega t \hat{x} - \sin \omega t \hat{y}) + v_{\parallel 0} \hat{z}$$

I. B. (Continued)

$$\vec{F} = q(\vec{v}_0 + \epsilon \vec{v}_1) \times \left( B_0 \hat{z} + \epsilon \gamma \frac{\partial B}{\partial y} \hat{z} \right)$$

a.  $\mathcal{O}(1)$ :  $\vec{F}_0 = q(\vec{v}_0 \times B_0 \hat{z}) = q B_0 v_1 (-\cos \omega t \hat{y} - \sin \omega t \hat{x})$

To find average force, take  $\frac{q B_0 v_1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi/\omega} \vec{F}_0 dt = \langle \vec{F}_0 \rangle$

$$\langle \vec{F}_0 \rangle = \frac{q B_0 v_1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi/\omega} (-\cos \omega t \hat{y} - \sin \omega t \hat{x}) dt = 0$$

b.  $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$ :  $\vec{F}_1 = q \vec{v}_1 \times (B_0 \hat{z}) + q \vec{v}_0 \times \left( \gamma \frac{\partial B}{\partial y} \hat{z} \right)$

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① We annihilate term ① by assuming  $\vec{v}_1$  is periodic in  $T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega}$ .

To verify this assumption requires substantial algebra, skipped here.

$$\frac{q B_0 v_1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi/\omega} \vec{v}_1 \times \hat{z} dt = 0$$

② From our solution to  $\vec{v}_0$ , we get  $y - y_0 = \int \frac{dv_y}{dt} dt = \frac{v_1}{\omega} \cos \omega t$   
we'll take  $y_0 = 0$  for simplicity.

$$\left\langle q \vec{v}_0 \times \left( \gamma \frac{\partial B}{\partial y} \hat{z} \right) \right\rangle = \frac{q \omega \gamma \frac{\partial B}{\partial y} v_1^2}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi/\omega} \cos \omega t (\cos \omega t \hat{y} - \sin \omega t \hat{x}) dt$$

Note:  $\int_0^{2\pi} \cos^2 x dx = \pi$ ,  $\int_0^{2\pi} \cos x \sin x dx = 0$

$$\langle \vec{F}_1 \rangle = -\frac{q v_1^2}{2\omega \gamma} \frac{\partial B}{\partial y} \hat{y}$$

Thus, there is an average force in the direction of the gradient.

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For a general gradient  $\nabla B \perp \vec{B}$ ,  $\langle \vec{F}_1 \rangle = -\frac{q v_1^2}{2\omega \gamma} \nabla B$