

Plasma Dynamic HW#3

Due 2/8/00

1. Find the averaged kinetic energy flux in the fluid moment expansion in terms of the following physical quantities:

$$\vec{p} = m \langle \vec{w} \vec{w} \rangle$$

$$\vec{q} = m \frac{\langle \vec{w} w^2 \rangle}{2}$$

Where p is the pressure tensor and q is the heat flux vector.

2. Consider a non-isotropic Maxwellian plasma with a uniform magnetic field in the z direction. The plasma temperature are different in the parallel and normal directions

$$f(\mathbf{w}) = n_0 \left(\frac{m}{2 k_B T} \right) \left(\frac{m}{2 k_B T_{\parallel}} \right)^{1/2} \exp \left(- \frac{m}{2 k_B} \left[\left(\frac{w_x^2 + w_y^2}{T} \right) + \frac{w_z^2}{T_{\parallel}} \right] \right)$$

Find the Pressure tensor for this distribution.

3. Find the moments expansion for the thermal energy density of a magnetized plasma with no static electric field. Or

$$A(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{2} m w^2$$

4. From the first law of thermodynamics, find the adiabatic equation of state of an ideal gas.