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**Thesis: Autoresonance in three-wave interactions with bandwidth**

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3-wave coupling:

describing stimulated scattering processes : **2 EM waves with 1 plasma wave**, by matching their frequencies. and wave vectors for resonance,  $\mathbf{w}_0 = \mathbf{w}_1 + \mathbf{w}_2$  and  $\mathbf{k}_0 = \mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2$

Such models can help to **understand instabilities in laser fusion.**

And they can describe how to **amplify short laser pulses with the help of plasma waves.**

3-wave coupling equations

$$(\partial_t + c_0 \partial_z) a_0 = -\Gamma_0 a_1 a_{L/S}$$

(Laser light pump envelope)

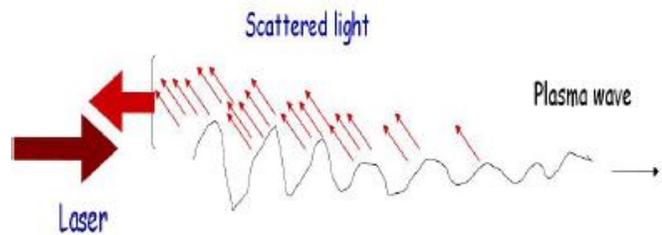
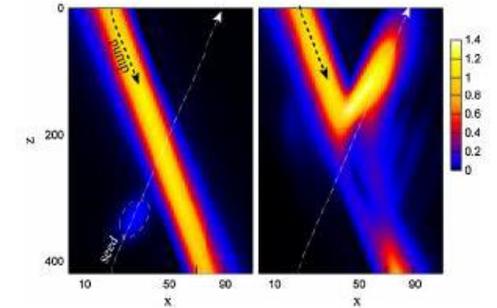
$$(\partial_t - c_1 \partial_z) a_1 = +\Gamma_1 a_0 a_{L/S}^*$$

(Backscattered light envelope)

$$(\partial_t + c_{L/S} \partial_z) a_{L/S} = +\Gamma_{L/S} a_0 a_1^*$$

(Plasma wave envelope)

L : Fast electron response  
S : Slow Ion response



Autoresonance can appear via the combination of **nonlinearities of plasma waves** and detuning of the 3-wave resonance **due to inhomogeneity**. One may compensate the other so that resonance is maintained.

$$(\partial_t + c_{L/S} \partial_z - i\delta\omega + ic_{L/S} \kappa' z) a_{L/S} = +\Gamma_{L/S} a_0 a_1^*$$

Due to nonlinearities

Due to inhomogeneity

Nonlinearities can come from **kinetic effects** (particles trapped in the wave's potential), **relativistic effects, higher wave harmonics**, but each with different consequences

eg. For particles trapped:

$$\delta\omega = \eta \omega_{L/S} |a_{L/S}|^{1/2}$$

For higher wave harmonics:

$$\delta\omega = -\beta |a_{L/S}|^2$$

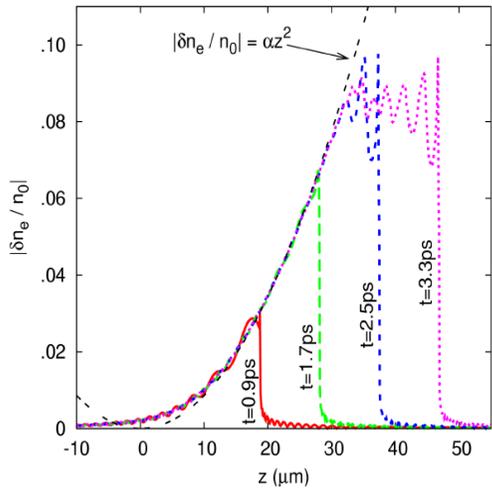
# Thomas D.Chapman's work: Autoresonance between electrons trapped and inhomogeneity inSRS

## 3-wave coupling model

## PIC simulations

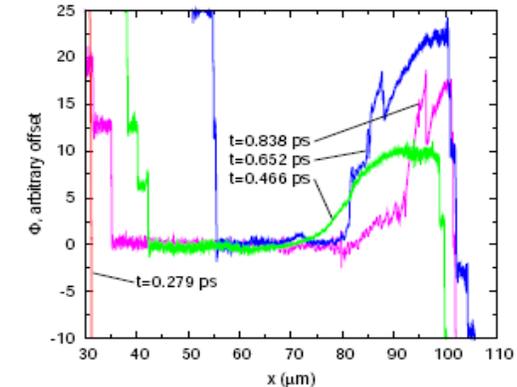
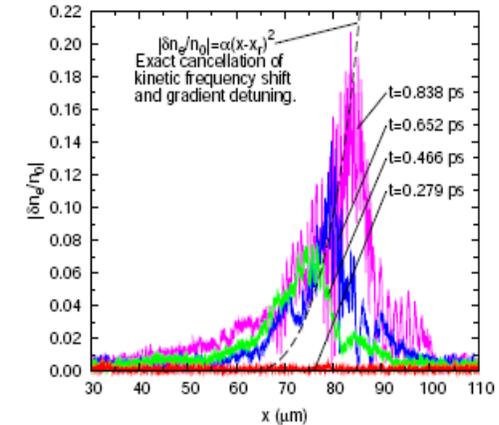
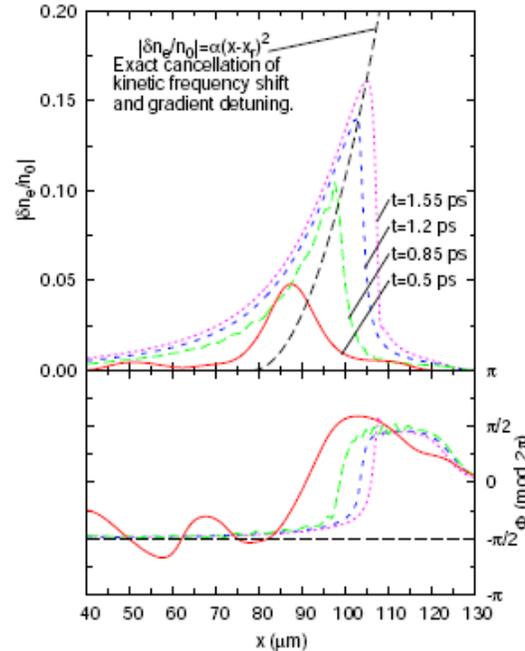
$$\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + c_L \frac{\partial}{\partial z} - i\eta\omega_L |a_L|^{1/2} + ic_L \kappa' z \right) a_L = P(t)$$

cancellation of shift  
→ parabolic growth



- Langmuir wave propagates from 3-wave resonance point at group velocity.
- Langmuir wave is phase locked to the ponderomotive drive and grows along a parabola as it propagates.
- Under certain conditions, growth can be far greater than the level reached at Rosenbluth saturation.
- Autoresonance lost at

$$\frac{\delta n_e}{n_0} = 9\%$$



On Chapman's work, The pump light is monochromatic ,we want to put bandwidth  $\Delta\omega$  to pump.

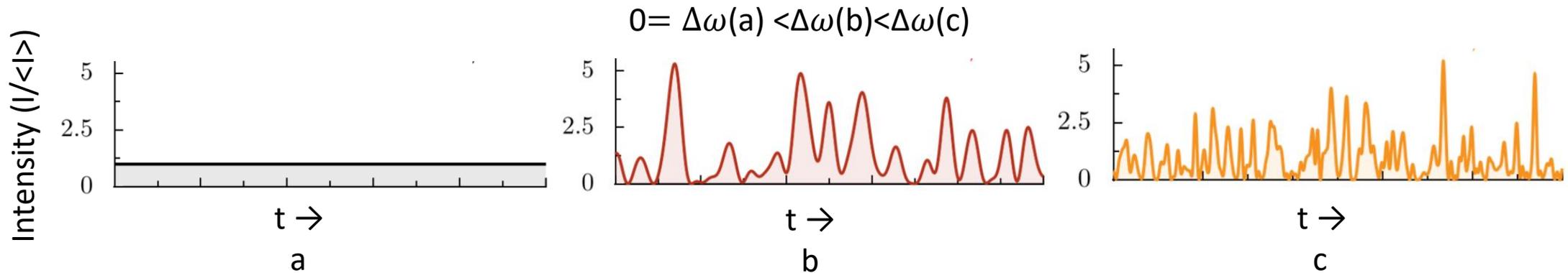
The bandwidth will come from random phase of pump:

$$S(\tau) = \exp[i\varphi(\tau)]$$

$\varphi(\tau)$  is the *random phase of the pump* uniformly distributed in the interval  $[0, 2\pi]$ , and the time  $\tau$  form a Poisson process with mean rate  $\Delta\omega$ .

The correlation function

$$\phi(\tau) = \langle \exp\{i[\varphi(t+\tau) - \varphi(t)]\} \rangle = \exp(-\Delta\omega|\tau|)$$



Under the assumption of bandwidth of pump:

$\Delta\omega$  will **reduce the growth rate** of plasma wave and scattered light, but will **broadens the region of interaction** in inhomogeneous plasma.

We can also expect to get **the cancellation of shift and phase locked** during autoresonance .

But:

**A exact resonance region not just a point.**

**The autoresonance curve could be different.**