

# Nonlinear Mode Coupling of a Vertically Paired Structure in Complex Plasma



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### Overview

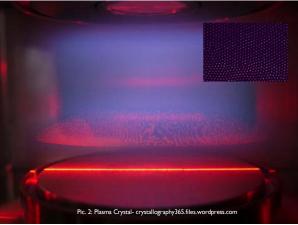
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# What is Complex Plasma?

- Dusty Plasma
- Micrometer Sized Particles Immersed in a Partially Ionized Plasma Medium
- Space, Industry, Fusion Devices, Laboratory
- Dust Exhibits Negative Charge
  - High Electron Mobility
  - Weak and Strong Coupled System
- Interesting Dynamical Behaviors
  - Crystal Formation, Wave Propagation, Fluid Flow, Phase Transitions, etc.



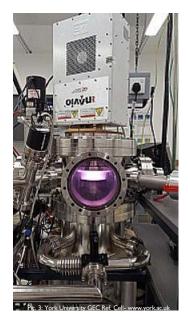




## **Complex Plasma in the Laboratory**



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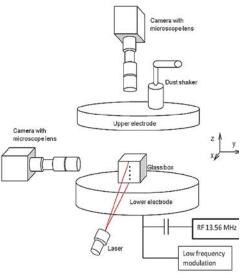


Fig. 1: GEC Reference Cell Diagram- www.baylor.edu

### GEC-Reference Cell

- Capacitively Coupled RF Discharge- Argon and Neon
- I 3.56 MHz- Low Temperature Plasma
- Negative Bottom Electrode, Grounded Top
- Bulk Plasma and Ion Flow
- Plasma Sheath and Parabolic Potential Well
- Time Scales Ideal for Video Microscopy
  - Laser Illumination
  - CCD Camera
- Analogue Systems

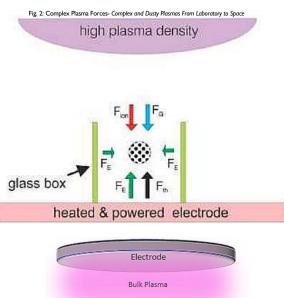
# Forces and Ion Wake

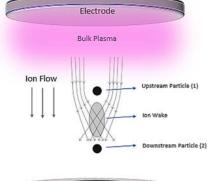
- Gravity and Electrostatic
  - Charge-to-Mass Ratio
- Thermophoretic
- Neutral Drag
- Ion Flow
  - Ion Drag
  - Ion Wake
  - Non-Reciprocal Force

### • Dynamic Response in Plasma

• Charge, Mass, Flow Rates, Temperature, Etc.







Electrode

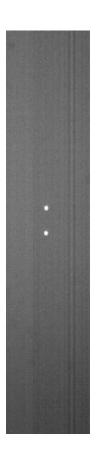
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# **Our Work and Experiment**

#### Particle Interactions

- Nonlinear regime
- Internal Resonance
- Two-Particle System
- Driven in the Vertical Direction
  - Modulated Sinusoidal Force
- Mode Coupling Instability
  - Vertical and Radial
- GEC Reference Cell







### **Methods**

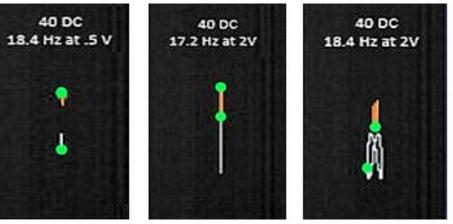
- Glass Box
- Varied: Driving Amplitude, Driving Frequency, DC Bias Voltage
- Prominent Near Breathing Frequency and High Driving Voltage



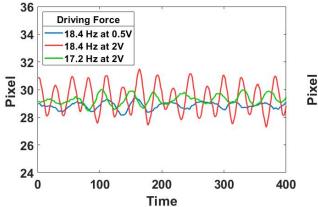


## Analysis

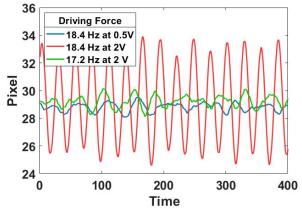
# Particle Trajectories



Upstream Particle Horiz. Postion (40 DC)



**Downstream Particle Horiz.Position (40 DC)** 

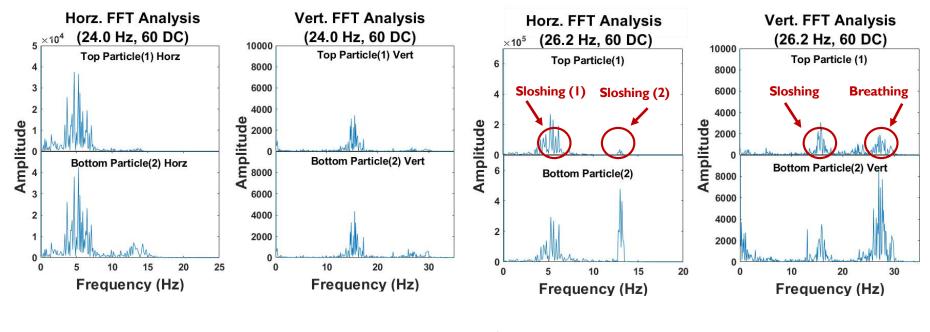




### Analysis

#### **0.5 Volt Drive Amplitude**

#### **2 Volt Drive Amplitude**



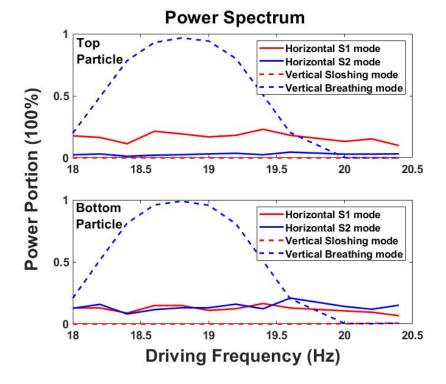
Sloshing (2) Frequency  $\approx \frac{1}{2}$  Breathing Frequency

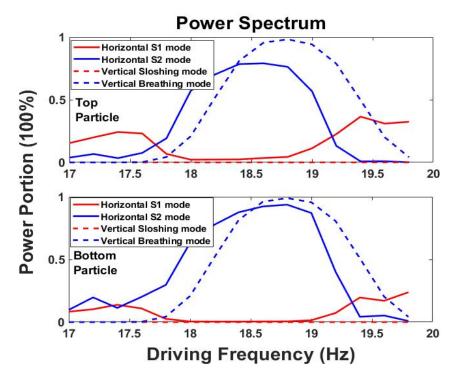
## Analysis

#### 40 DC at 0.5V



#### 40 DC at 2.0V







# Theory

- Driven, Damped Coupled Oscillator in the Linear Regime
  - Fails to Explain this Phenomena

#### Other Work

• Nonlinearities in Confinement (Anharmonic Sheath) Does Not Explain

### Impose a Force Dependent Upon Horz. And Vert. Displacement

- Pair is Strongly Coupled System Affected by the Ion Wake
- Further Expand into the Nonlinear Regime



### Theory

#### Driven, Damped Oscillator With Non-Reciprocal Interaction Equations of Motion

 $\begin{aligned} \ddot{x_1} + \omega_1^2 x_1 + \mu_1 \dot{x_1} + k_{12,x}(d) &= 0 \\ \ddot{x_2} + \omega_2^2 x_2 + \mu_2 \dot{x_2} + k_{21,x}(d) &= 0 \end{aligned} \qquad \begin{aligned} \ddot{y_1} + \omega_3^2 y_1 + \mu_3 \dot{y_1} + k_{12,y}(d) &= F_1 e^{i\Omega t} \\ \ddot{y_2} + \omega_4^2 y_2 + \mu_4 \dot{y_2} + k_{21,y}(d) &= F_2 e^{i\Omega t} \end{aligned}$ 

*d*- Displacement  $\{(x_2-x_1)^2+(y_2-y_1+R)^2\}^{1/2}$   $F_{1,2}$ - Driving Amplitude  $\Omega$ - Driving Frequency *R*- Equilibrium Displacement Between Particles  $k_x(d) = k(d) \frac{(x_2-x_1)}{d}$   $k_y(d) = k(d) \frac{(y_2-y_1+R)}{d}$ 

 $y_1$ - Vertical Position of Upstream Particle  $y_2$ - Vertical Position of Downstream Particle  $\omega_{1,2}$ - Oscillation Frequencies k- Non-Reciprocal Force Between Particles  $\mu_{1,2}$ - Ion Drag Force

#### Interaction Force Expanded into Nonlinear Regime

$$\begin{aligned} k_x(d) &\approx k_x(0,0) + (x_2 - x_1) \frac{\partial k_x}{\partial (x_2 - x_1)} |_{0,0} + (y_2 - y_1) \frac{\partial k_x}{\partial (y_2 - y_1)} |_{0,0} + \frac{1}{2} (x_2 - x_1)^2 \\ &\frac{\partial^2 k_x}{\partial (x_2 - x_1)^2} |_{0,0} + \frac{1}{2} (y_2 - y_1)^2 \frac{\partial^2 k_x}{\partial (y_2 - y_1)^2} |_{0,0} + (x_2 - x_1) (y_2 - y_1) \frac{\partial^2 k_x}{\partial (x_2 - x_1) (y_2 - y_1)} |_{0,0} + \cdots \\ & * k_y(d) \text{ Takes Similar Form} \end{aligned}$$

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## Theory

#### • To Solve: Must Decouple Equations in the Linear Regime

New Cord.	High Sloshing	Low Sloshing	Breathing	Sloshing
System	$x_+ = x_1 - (\alpha) x_2$	$x = x_1 - (\alpha_+) x_2$	$y_{+} = y_{1} - (\beta_{-})y_{2}$	$y_{-} = y_{1} - (\beta_{+})y_{2}$

• Our Equations Now Take The Form

$$\ddot{x_{+}} + \omega_{+}^{2}x_{+} + g_{1}x_{+}y_{+} + g_{2}x_{+}y_{-} + \mu\dot{x_{+}} = 0 \ddot{y_{+}} + \omega_{y+}^{2}y_{+} + a_{1}x_{+}^{2} + a_{2}y_{+}^{2} + a_{3}y_{+}y_{-} + a_{4}y_{-}^{2} + \mu\dot{y_{+}} = F_{1}e^{i\Omega t} \ddot{y_{-}} + \omega_{y-}^{2}y_{-} + h_{1}x_{+}^{2} + h_{2}y_{+}^{2} + h_{3}y_{+}y_{-} + h_{4}y_{-}^{2} + \mu\dot{y_{-}} = F_{2}e^{i\Omega t}$$

#### Can Now Solve Using Multiple Scale Perturbation

Solve to Second Order with a Fast and Slow Timescale



# **Conclusions and Future Work**

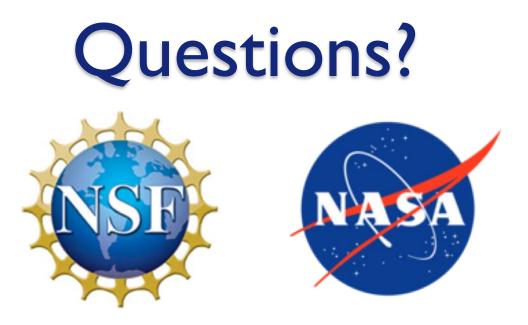
- Experimental Analysis Points to Mode Coupling
- Our Equations of Motion Can Explain It
- Fully Solve Equations of Motion
- Explore the Peculiarities
- Run Simulations
- Perform Experiments Over Wider Range
- Look For Hysteresis
- Fundamental Insight for Particle Interactions
  - Wakefield
  - The World Operates in Nonlinear



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