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Brent O Young* (bojy77@gmail.com), 2550 NC Hwy 242 South, Benson, NC 27504. *Landau Damping in Relativistic Plasmas.*

We examine the phenomenon of Landau Damping in relativistic plasmas via a study of the relativistic Vlasov-Poisson system (rVP) on the torus for initial data sufficiently close to a spatially uniform steady state. We find that if the steady state is regular enough (essentially in a Gevrey class of appropriate degree) and that the deviation of the initial data from this steady state is small enough in a certain norm, the evolution of the system is such that its spatial density approaches a uniform constant value sub-exponentially fast (i.e. $\exp(-C|t|^{\bar{\nu}})$ for $\bar{\nu} \in (0, 1)$). We take as *a priori* assumptions that solutions launched by such initial data exist for all times and that the various norms in question are continuous in time. We must also assume a kind of “reverse Poincaré inequality” on the Fourier transform of the solution. In spirit, this assumption amounts to the requirement that there exists $0 < \varkappa < 1$ so that the mass in the annulus $\varkappa \leq |v| < 1$ is uniformly small for all t . Typical velocity bounds for solutions to rVP launched by small initial data (at least on \mathbb{R}^6) imply this bound. (Received September 05, 2014)