

Phys 402  
Spring 2010  
Homework 2

1) Show that

$$-\vec{a}_\perp + \hat{n} \times (\vec{a} \times \vec{\beta}) = \hat{n} \times \vec{K}$$

$$\text{where } \vec{K} = (\hat{n} - \vec{\beta}) \times \vec{a}$$

2) Show that

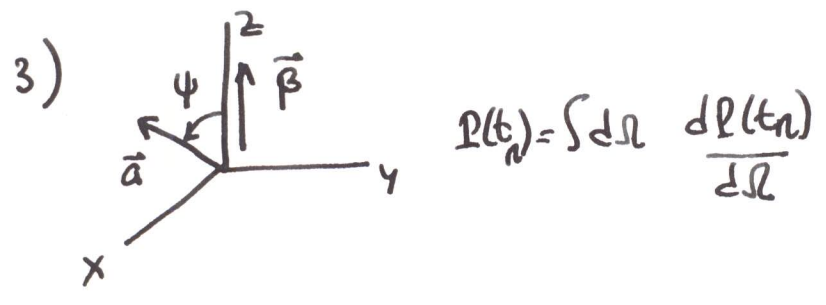
$$\hat{n} \times \vec{K} \cdot \hat{n} \times \vec{K} = K^2 - (\hat{n} \cdot \vec{K})^2$$

$$= (1 - (\hat{n} \cdot \vec{\beta}))^2 a^2 + 2(1 - \hat{n} \cdot \vec{\beta}) \vec{a} \cdot \vec{\beta} \hat{n} \cdot \vec{a} \\ + (\beta^2 - 1) (\vec{a} \cdot \hat{n})^2$$

so that

$$\frac{dP(t_r)}{d\Omega} = \left( \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \right) \left( \frac{q^2}{4\pi c^3} \right) \times \frac{1}{(1 - \hat{n} \cdot \vec{\beta})^5}$$

$$\times \left( (1 - \hat{n} \cdot \vec{\beta})^2 a^2 + 2(1 - \hat{n} \cdot \vec{\beta}) \vec{a} \cdot \vec{\beta} \hat{n} \cdot \vec{a} \\ + (\beta^2 - 1) (\vec{a} \cdot \hat{n})^2 \right)$$



i) Show that

$$P(t_n) = \left(\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0}\right) \left(\frac{q^2}{2c^3}\right) \int_{-1}^{+1} d\mu \left\{ \frac{a^2}{(1-\beta\mu)^3} + \frac{a^2(1-\beta^2)(1-\mu^2)}{(1-\beta\mu)^5} \frac{1}{2} + (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{\beta})^2 \left( \frac{2\mu}{\beta(1-\beta\mu)^4} - \frac{(1-\beta^2)}{\beta^2(1-\beta\mu)^5} \left(\frac{3\mu^2-1}{2}\right) \right) \right\}$$

ii) change variable  $w = 1 - \beta\mu$

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} d\mu \dots \rightarrow \frac{1}{\beta} \int_{1-\beta}^{1+\beta} dw \dots \quad \text{set } I_n = \int_{1-\beta}^{1+\beta} \frac{dw}{w^n}$$

We need, (show)

$$I_3 = \frac{2\beta}{(1-\beta^2)^2}, \quad I_4 = \frac{2\beta}{3} \frac{(3+\beta^2)}{(1-\beta^2)^3}, \quad I_5 = \frac{2\beta(1+\beta^2)}{(1-\beta^2)^4}$$

show that

$a^2$  terms:

$$\frac{1+\beta^2}{2\beta^2} I_3 - \frac{(1-\beta^2)}{\beta^2} I_4 + \frac{(1-\beta^2)^2}{2\beta^2} I_5 = \frac{4\beta}{3(1-\beta^2)^2}$$

$(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{\beta})^2$  terms:

$$- \frac{(3+\beta^2)}{2\beta^4} I_3 + \frac{(3-\beta^2)}{\beta^4} I_4 - \frac{(1-\beta^2)(3-\beta^2)}{2\beta^4} I_5$$

$$= \frac{\frac{4}{3}\beta}{(1-\beta^2)^3}$$

4) i) Put everything together to obtain:

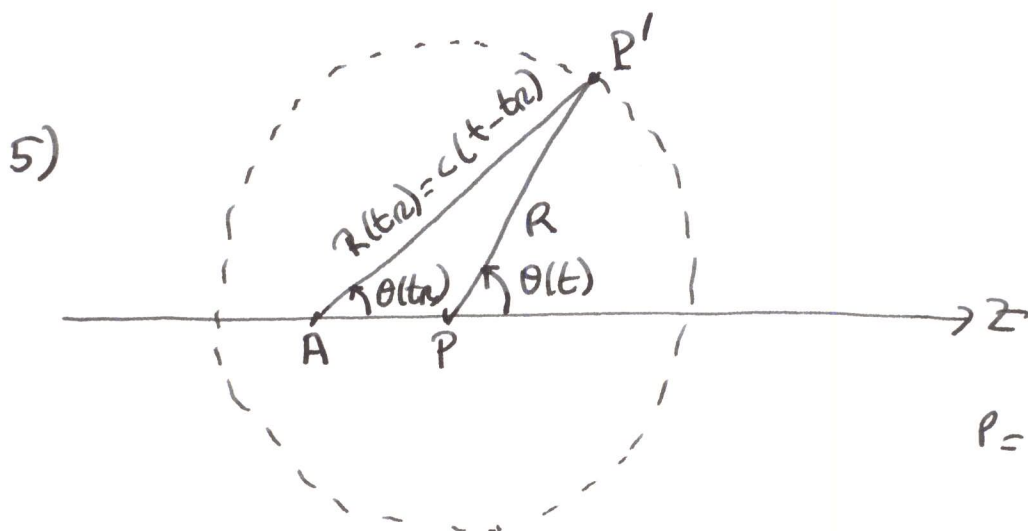
$$P(t_R) = \left( \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \right) \left( \frac{2q^2}{3c^3} \right)$$

$$\times \frac{1}{(1-\beta^2)^2} \left( a^2 + \frac{(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{\beta})^2}{(1-\beta^2)} \right)$$

ii) Write:  $P(t_e)$  when

$$\rightarrow \vec{a} \parallel \pm \vec{\beta}$$

$$\rightarrow \vec{a} \perp \vec{\beta}$$



P = charge at time t.

$$R = |\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0(t)|$$

$$AP = v(t - t_r)$$

$$v = \text{constant} \\ \vec{v} = v\hat{z}$$

Problem is given  $P'$ , find A (or  $t_r$ ).

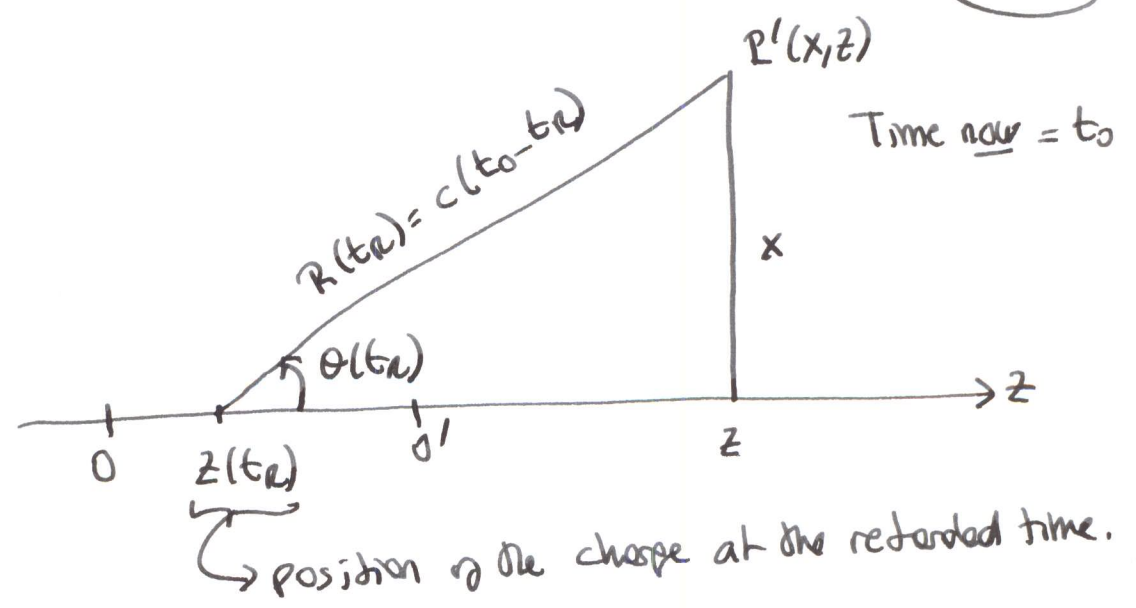
Show that

$$t_r = t - \frac{R}{c} \gamma^2 \left( \beta \cos \theta(t) - \sqrt{1 - \beta^2 \sin^2 \theta(t)} \right)$$

( Hint: Consider the triangle  $APP'$   
 $(AP')^2 = (AP)^2 + (PP')^2 - 2(AP)(PP') \cos(\pi - \theta(t))$  )

Once  $t_r$  is found,  $z_A = z_P - v(t - t_r)$ .

6)



Particle speed: for  $z < z_0$   $\vec{v} = \vec{v}_i \hat{z}$  constant.  
 for  $z_0 \leq z \leq z_0'$   $\vec{v} = \vec{v}_i + a t_r$   
 for  $z \geq z_0'$   $\vec{v}_f = \vec{v}_i + a T$   $a = \frac{\Delta v}{T}$

$$z(t_r) = v_i t_r + \frac{1}{2} a t_r^2 = v_i t_r + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Delta v}{T} t_r^2$$

Problem: given  $(x, z)$  (in the zone of the acceleration fields (see lecture notes)).

find  $t_r$ . show that  $t_r$  is the solution of the quartic equation

$$\left(\frac{t_r}{T}\right)^4 + a_3 \left(\frac{t_r}{T}\right)^3 + a_2 \left(\frac{t_r}{T}\right)^2 + a_1 \left(\frac{t_r}{T}\right) + a_0 = 0$$

where  $\rightarrow$

$$a_3 = \frac{4v_i}{\Delta v}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{4(v_i^2 - c^2 - z \Delta v / T)}{\Delta v^2}$$

$$a_1 = \frac{8(c^2 t_0 - z v_i)}{\Delta v^2 T}$$

$$a_0 = \frac{4(x^2 + z^2 - c^2 t_0^2)}{\Delta v^2 T^2}$$

(Hint:  $x^2 + (z - z(t_n))^2 = c^2(t_0 - t_n)^2$ )