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Problem 1

(i)

$$H = p_i v_i - L$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= p_i v_i + mc^2 \sqrt{1 - \frac{v_i^2}{c^2}} - \frac{e}{2c} \epsilon_{ijk} B_i x_j v_k \\ &= \vec{p} \cdot \frac{c \left(\vec{p} - \frac{e}{2c} (\vec{B} \times \vec{r}) \right)}{\sqrt{m^2 c^2 + \left(\vec{p} - \frac{e}{2c} (\vec{B} \times \vec{r}) \right)^2}} + \frac{m^2 c^3}{\sqrt{m^2 c^2 + \left(\vec{p} - \frac{e}{2c} (\vec{B} \times \vec{r}) \right)^2}} \\ &\quad - \frac{e}{2c} \epsilon_{ijk} B_i x_j \frac{c}{\sqrt{m^2 c^2 + \left(\vec{p} - \frac{e}{2c} (\vec{B} \times \vec{r}) \right)^2}} \left(p_k - \frac{e}{2c} \epsilon_{klm} B_l x_m \right) \\ &= \frac{c}{\sqrt{m^2 c^2 + \left(\vec{p} - \frac{e}{2c} (\vec{B} \times \vec{r}) \right)^2}} \left(\vec{p}^2 - \frac{e}{2c} \vec{p} \cdot (\vec{B} \times \vec{r}) + m^2 c^2 - \frac{e}{2c} \vec{p} \cdot (\vec{B} \times \vec{r}) + \frac{e^2}{4c^2} \epsilon_{ijk} B_i x_j \epsilon_{klm} B_l x_m \right) \\ &= \frac{c}{\sqrt{m^2 c^2 + \left(\vec{p} - \frac{e}{2c} (\vec{B} \times \vec{r}) \right)^2}} \left(m^2 c^2 + \vec{p}^2 - 2\vec{p} \cdot \left(\frac{e}{2c} (\vec{B} \times \vec{r}) \right) + \left(\frac{e}{2c} (\vec{B} \times \vec{r}) \right)^2 \right) \\ &= \frac{c}{\sqrt{m^2 c^2 + \left(\vec{p} - \frac{e}{2c} (\vec{B} \times \vec{r}) \right)^2}} \left(m^2 c^2 + \left(\vec{p} - \frac{e}{2c} (\vec{B} \times \vec{r}) \right)^2 \right) \\ H &= c \sqrt{m^2 c^2 + \left(\vec{p} - \frac{e}{2c} (\vec{B} \times \vec{r}) \right)^2} \end{aligned}$$

Hamiltonian has no explicit time dependence and so $E = H$.

$$\vec{F} = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial \vec{r}} = \frac{e}{2c} \vec{v} \times \vec{B} \perp \vec{v} \implies v^2 = \text{constant}$$

(ii)

$$\begin{aligned}
H &= c\sqrt{m^2c^2 + \left(\vec{p} - \frac{e}{2c}(\vec{B} \times \vec{r})\right)^2} \\
&= mc^2\sqrt{1 + \frac{\left(\vec{p} - \frac{e}{2c}(\vec{B} \times \vec{r})\right)^2}{m^2c^2}} \\
\vec{B} \times \vec{r} &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 0 & 0 & B \\ q_x & q_y & q_z \end{vmatrix} \\
&= -Bq_y\hat{i} + Bq_x\hat{j}
\end{aligned}$$

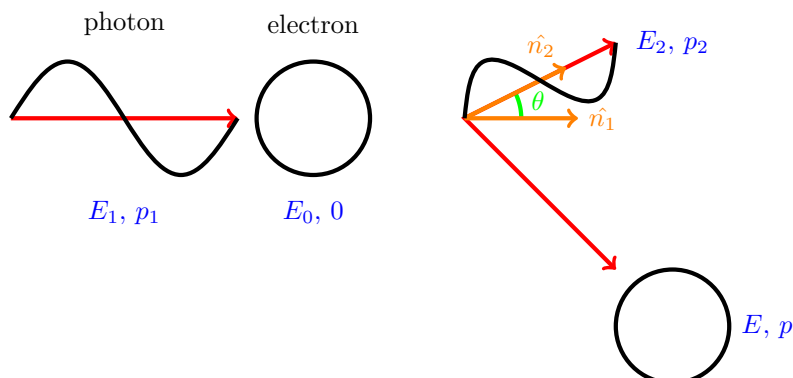
$$\begin{aligned}
\dot{\vec{p}} &= -\frac{\partial H}{\partial \vec{r}} \\
\dot{\vec{p}} &= \frac{e\left(\vec{p} - \frac{e}{2c}(\vec{B} \times \vec{r})\right) \times \vec{B}}{2mc\sqrt{1 + \frac{\left(\vec{p} - \frac{e}{2c}(\vec{B} \times \vec{r})\right)^2}{m^2c^2}}} \\
&= \frac{Be}{2mc\sqrt{1 + \frac{(p_x + \frac{Be}{2c}q_y)^2 + (p_y - \frac{Be}{2c}q_x)^2 + p_z^2}{m^2c^2}}} \left(\left(p_y - \frac{Be}{2c}q_x\right)\hat{i} + \left(-p_x - \frac{Be}{2c}q_y\right)\hat{j} \right) \\
\dot{\vec{r}} &= \frac{\partial H}{\partial \vec{p}} \\
\dot{\vec{r}} &= \frac{\vec{p} - \frac{e}{2c}(\vec{B} \times \vec{r})}{m\sqrt{1 + \frac{\left(\vec{p} - \frac{e}{2c}(\vec{B} \times \vec{r})\right)^2}{m^2c^2}}} \\
&= \frac{1}{m\sqrt{1 + \frac{(p_x + \frac{Be}{2c}q_y)^2 + (p_y - \frac{Be}{2c}q_x)^2 + p_z^2}{m^2c^2}}} \left(\left(p_x + \frac{Be}{2c}q_y\right)\hat{i} + \left(p_y - \frac{Be}{2c}q_x\right)\hat{j} + p_z\hat{k} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

(iii)

$$\begin{aligned}
\dot{\vec{p}} &= \vec{F} \\
&= \frac{e}{2c} \vec{v} \times \vec{B} \\
&= \frac{Be}{2c} (v_y \hat{i} - v_x \hat{j}) \\
\Rightarrow \vec{p} &= \frac{Be}{2c} \left((q_y + c_x) \hat{i} + (-q_x + c_x) \hat{j} + c_z \hat{k} \right) \\
&\approx \frac{Be}{2c} (q_y \hat{i} - q_x \hat{j} + c \hat{k}) \\
\dot{\vec{r}} &= \frac{1}{m \sqrt{1 + \frac{(p_x + \frac{Be}{2c} q_y)^2 + (p_y - \frac{Be}{2c} q_x)^2 + p_z^2}{m^2 c^2}}} \left(\left(p_x + \frac{Be}{2c} q_y \right) \hat{i} + \left(p_y - \frac{Be}{2c} q_x \right) \hat{j} + p_z \hat{k} \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{m \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{m^2 c^2} \left(\left(\frac{Be}{c} q_y \right)^2 + \left(-\frac{Be}{c} q_x \right)^2 + c^2 \right)}} \left(\frac{Be}{c} q_y \hat{i} - \frac{Be}{c} q_x \hat{j} + c \hat{k} \right) \\
&= (K q_y \hat{i} - K q_x \hat{j} + c \hat{k}) \\
\Rightarrow \vec{r} &= (\kappa \sin \phi \hat{i} + \kappa \cos \phi \hat{j} + ct \hat{k}) \\
K &= \frac{Be}{mc \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{m^2 c^2} (\kappa^2 \sin^2 \phi + \kappa^2 \cos^2 \phi + c^2)}} \\
&= \text{constant} \Rightarrow \kappa = \text{constant} \\
\vec{r} &= \kappa (\sin \phi \hat{i} + \cos \phi \hat{j} + Ct \hat{k})
\end{aligned}$$

If $C = 0$, then the motion is simply circular in the xy -plane. If $C \neq 0$, then the motion is a helix travelling in the $\hat{k}$ or $-\hat{k}$ direction, depending on the sign of C .

Problem 2



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Energy conservation} &\implies E_1 + E_0 = E + E_2 \\ E &= E_1 - E_2 + mc^2 \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Momentum conservation} &\implies \frac{E_1}{c} \hat{n}_1 = \frac{E_2}{c} \hat{n}_2 + \vec{p} \\ \vec{p} \cdot \vec{p} &= \frac{1}{c} (E_1 \hat{n}_1 - E_2 \hat{n}_2) \cdot \frac{1}{c} (E_1 \hat{n}_1 - E_2 \hat{n}_2) \\ p^2 &= \frac{1}{c^2} (E_1^2 - 2E_1 E_2 \cos(\theta) + E_2^2) \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

$$\text{Energy-momentum invariant} \implies E^2 - p^2 c^2 = m^2 c^4 \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (1), (2) \& (3) &\implies m^2 c^4 = (E_1 - E_2 + mc^2)^2 - \frac{c^2}{c^2} (E_1^2 - 2E_1 E_2 \cos(\theta) + E_2^2) \\ m^2 c^4 &= E_1^2 - 2E_1 E_2 + E_2^2 + 2mc^2(E_1 - E_2) + m^2 c^4 \\ &\quad - E_1^2 + 2E_1 E_2 \cos(\theta) - E_2^2 \\ 0 &= -2E_1 E_2 + 2mc^2(E_1 - E_2) + 2E_1 E_2 \cos(\theta) \\ 2(E_1 - E_2)mc^2 &= 2E_1 E_2(1 - \cos(\theta)) \\ \frac{E_1 - E_2}{E_1 E_2} &= \frac{1 - \cos(\theta)}{mc^2} \\ \frac{1}{E_2} - \frac{1}{E_1} &= \frac{1 - \cos(\theta)}{mc^2} \\ \frac{1}{hc \div \lambda_2} - \frac{1}{hc \div \lambda_1} &= \frac{1 - \cos(\theta)}{mc^2} \\ \lambda_2 - \lambda_1 &= \frac{h(1 - \cos(\theta))}{mc} \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

$$\lambda_1 \equiv \lambda, \lambda_2 \equiv \lambda', E_1 \equiv h\nu, E_2 \equiv h\nu', E \equiv T + mc^2$$

$$(4) \implies \lambda' - \lambda = \lambda_c(1 - \cos \theta) \\ = 2\lambda_c \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$(1) \implies T + mc^2 = h\nu - h\nu' + mc^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} T &= h\nu \left(1 - \frac{\nu'}{\nu}\right) \\ &= h\nu \left(1 - \frac{\frac{c}{\lambda'}}{\frac{c}{\lambda}}\right) \\ &= h\nu \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{\lambda'}\right) \\ &= h\nu \left(\frac{\lambda' - \lambda}{\lambda'}\right) \\ &= h\nu \left(\frac{2\lambda_c \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}{\lambda + 2\lambda_c \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}\right) \\ &= h\nu \frac{2\frac{\lambda_c}{\lambda} \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}{1 + 2\frac{\lambda_c}{\lambda} \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}} \end{aligned}$$