

# Problem 1

# Problem Set 10

a.  $\vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t} = -\omega P_0 \sin(kx - \omega t) \hat{y}$  ;  $\vec{B} = \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial x} \hat{z} = -k P_0 \sin(kx - \omega t) \hat{z}$  w/  $\omega = kc$

$\vec{S} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \vec{E} \times \vec{B} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} k \omega P_0^2 \sin^2(kx - \omega t) \hat{x} = \frac{1}{\mu_0 c} \omega^2 P_0^2 \sin^2(kx - \omega t) \hat{x}$

the intensity is the time average of  $\vec{S}$ :  $\vec{I} = \langle \vec{S} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\omega^2}{\mu_0 c} P_0^2 \hat{x}$

b. The potential, in  $\bar{L}$ , is:  $\vec{A} = P_0 \cos(k\gamma(\bar{x} + v\bar{t}) - \omega\gamma(\bar{t} + v/c^2\bar{x})) \hat{y}$   
 $= P_0 \cos(\bar{x}(k\gamma - \omega\gamma v/c^2) - \bar{t}(\omega\gamma - k\gamma v)) \hat{y}$   
 $= P_0 \cos(\bar{k}\bar{x} - \bar{\omega}\bar{t}) \hat{y}$  w/  $\bar{k} = \gamma k(1 - v/c)$   
 $\bar{\omega} = \gamma \omega(1 - v/c)$

The electric field is:  $\vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial \bar{t}} = -\bar{\omega} P_0 \sin(\bar{k}\bar{x} - \bar{\omega}\bar{t}) \hat{y}$

$\vec{B} = \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial \bar{x}} \hat{z} = -\bar{k} P_0 \sin(\bar{k}\bar{x} - \bar{\omega}\bar{t}) \hat{z}$

w/  $\vec{S} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \vec{E} \times \vec{B} = \frac{1}{\mu_0 c} \bar{\omega}^2 P_0^2 \sin^2(\bar{k}\bar{x} - \bar{\omega}\bar{t}) \hat{x}$  +  $\vec{I} = \langle \vec{S} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\bar{\omega}^2}{\mu_0 c} P_0^2 \hat{x}$

the wave speed  $\bar{v}$ :  $\frac{\bar{\omega}}{\bar{k}} = \frac{\omega}{k} = c$  ✓

the frequency in  $\bar{L}$  is  $\bar{\omega} = \gamma \omega(1 - v/c)$

$= \frac{(1 - v/c)\omega}{\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}} = \frac{1 - v/c}{\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}} \omega = \frac{\sqrt{1 - v/c}}{\sqrt{1 + v/c}} \omega$

↳ Doppler shift

c. as  $v \rightarrow c$ :  $\bar{\omega} \rightarrow 0$  +  $\vec{I} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\bar{\omega}^2}{\mu_0 c} P_0^2 \hat{x} \rightarrow 0$ , +  $\vec{E} \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\vec{B} \rightarrow 0$

# Problem 2

Start w/  $\partial^2 A^\nu$  for  $\mu=0 \rightarrow 3$ ,  $\nu=0 \rightarrow 3$ , we have non-zero components:  
 (in tableau form):

$\mu =$	0	1	2	3	
$\nu =$					
0	0	$-\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial A^x}{\partial t}$	$-\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial A^y}{\partial t}$	$-\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial A^z}{\partial t}$	? looks like $-\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t}$
1	$\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$	0	$\frac{\partial A^x}{\partial x}$	$\frac{\partial A^z}{\partial x}$	← pieces of the curl
2	$\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}$	$\frac{\partial A^x}{\partial y}$	0	$\frac{\partial A^z}{\partial y}$	
3	$\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial v}{\partial z}$	$\frac{\partial A^x}{\partial z}$	$\frac{\partial A^y}{\partial z}$	0	

looks like  $\frac{1}{c} \nabla v$

We need to mix the top row w/ the left column to get:  $-\nabla V - \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t}$ , suggesting we take:

$$F^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu A^\nu - \partial^\nu A^\mu = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{1}{c}(\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial A^x}{\partial t}) & -\frac{1}{c}(\frac{\partial V}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial A^y}{\partial t}) & -\frac{1}{c}(\frac{\partial V}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial A^z}{\partial t}) \\ +\frac{1}{c}(\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial A^x}{\partial t}) & 0 & \frac{\partial A^z}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial A^x}{\partial z} & \frac{\partial A^y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial A^x}{\partial y} \\ +\frac{1}{c}(\frac{\partial V}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial A^y}{\partial t}) & -(\frac{\partial A^z}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial A^x}{\partial z}) & 0 & \frac{\partial A^z}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial A^y}{\partial z} \\ +\frac{1}{c}(\frac{\partial V}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial A^z}{\partial t}) & -(\frac{\partial A^y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial A^x}{\partial y}) & -(\frac{\partial A^z}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial A^y}{\partial z}) & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\delta^\mu A^\nu - \delta^\nu A^\mu = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{c} E^x & \frac{1}{c} E^y & \frac{1}{c} E^z \\ -\frac{1}{c} E^x & 0 & B^z & -B^y \\ -\frac{1}{c} E^y & -B^z & 0 & B^x \\ -\frac{1}{c} E^z & B^y & -B^x & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

gives 2 copies of  $\vec{E} = -\nabla V - \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t}$  &  $\vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A}$

### Problem 3

Taking  $x(t) \rightarrow x(t) + \epsilon f(t)$

$$S[x + \epsilon f] = \int_0^T L(x + \epsilon f, \dot{x} + \epsilon \dot{f}, \ddot{x} + \epsilon \ddot{f}) dt \approx \underbrace{\int_0^T L(x, \dot{x}, \ddot{x}) dt}_{S[x(t)]} + \epsilon \underbrace{\int_0^T \left[ \frac{\partial L}{\partial x} f + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} \dot{f} + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{x}} \ddot{f} \right] dt}_{\delta S}$$

w/

$$\int_0^T \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} \dot{f} dt = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} f \Big|_0^T - \int_0^T f \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} dt = - \int_0^T f \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} dt$$

$$\int_0^T \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{x}} \ddot{f} dt = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{x}} \dot{f} \Big|_0^T - \int_0^T \dot{f} \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{x}} dt = - \left[ f \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{x}} \Big|_0^T - \int_0^T f \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{x}} dt \right]$$

$$= \int_0^T f \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{x}} dt$$

Using these in  $\delta S$  gives:

$$\delta S = \int_0^T \left[ \frac{\partial L}{\partial x} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} + \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{x}} \right] f dt \quad \text{if we require } \delta S = 0 \quad \forall f, \text{ we have:}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} + \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{x}} = 0$$

for  $L(x, \dot{x}, \ddot{x})$ , I expect:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} + \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{x}} - \frac{d^3}{dt^3} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{x}} = 0$$

# Problem 4

a. For  $L = \frac{1}{2} m \dot{x}^2 - U(x(t)) + F(x(t)) \dot{x}(t)$   
we have:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = -\frac{dU}{dx} + \frac{dF}{dx} \dot{x} \quad \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} = m\dot{x} + F$$

w/

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left[ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} \right] = m\ddot{x} + \frac{dF}{dx} \dot{x} \quad \text{so} \quad -\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} + \frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = 0 \Rightarrow -m\ddot{x} - \frac{dF}{dx} \dot{x} - \frac{dU}{dx} + \frac{dF}{dx} \dot{x} = 0$$

$\uparrow$  cancel  $\uparrow$

so  $m\ddot{x} = -\frac{dU}{dx}$ , the addition of  $F\dot{x}$  does not change the eqn. of motion.

b. A term that looked like  $\ddot{x}$  could only come from a Lagrangian w/

1.  $\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} \sim \dot{x}$  (then  $\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} \sim \ddot{x}$ ), 2.  $\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} \sim \ddot{x}$  or (referring to problem 3)

3.  $\frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{x}} \sim \dot{x}$  (then  $\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{x}} \sim \ddot{x}$ )

For 1., we'd need a term like  $\dot{x}\ddot{x}$ , so using the eqn. of motion from problem 3:

w/

$$L = \frac{1}{2} m \dot{x}^2 - U(x) + \alpha \dot{x} \ddot{x}$$

we have:

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{x}} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} + \frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha \ddot{x}' - (m\ddot{x} + \alpha \ddot{x}) - \frac{dU}{dx} = 0$$

$\uparrow$  cancel  $\uparrow$

so this type of term will not produce a  $\ddot{x}$  in the eqn. of motion.

For 2. we need a term of the form:  $x\ddot{x}$ , but now  $L = \frac{1}{2} m \dot{x}^2 - U(x) + \kappa x \ddot{x}$   
has eqn. of motion:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} + \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{x}} = 0 \Rightarrow -\frac{dU}{dx} + \kappa \ddot{x} - m\ddot{x} - \alpha \ddot{x} = 0 \Rightarrow m\ddot{x} = -\frac{dU}{dx}, \text{ still}$$

no  $\ddot{x}$  term.

Finally, 3. requires a term like  $\dot{x}\ddot{x}$ , as w/ 1., which we already know won't work.