

# HOMEWORK 4 - PROBLEM 10

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$$\vec{F} = m\vec{a} = \frac{q}{c} \vec{v} \times \vec{B} = \left(\frac{qB_0}{c}\right) \vec{v} \times \hat{z}$$

OR

$$\frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = \left(\frac{qB_0}{mc}\right) \vec{v} \times \hat{z} = \Omega \left[ \hat{x}v_y + \hat{y}v_x + \hat{z}v_z \right] \times \hat{z}$$

$$= \Omega (\hat{x}v_y - \hat{y}v_x); \quad \Omega \equiv \frac{qB_0}{mc}$$

OR

$$\frac{dv_x}{dt} = \Omega v_y; \quad \frac{dv_y}{dt} = -\Omega v_x; \quad \frac{dv_z}{dt} = 0$$

HENCE,

$$v_z(t) = v_z(0) = \text{CONSTANT}$$

AND

$$\frac{d^2v_x}{dt^2} = \Omega \frac{dv_y}{dt} = \Omega [-\Omega v_x] \Rightarrow \ddot{v}_x + \Omega^2 v_x = 0$$

THUS,

$$v_x(t) = A \cos \Omega t + B \sin \Omega t$$

AND

$$v_y(t) = \frac{1}{\Omega} \frac{dv_x}{dt} = -A \sin \Omega t + B \cos \Omega t$$

OR

$$v_x(t) = v_x(0) \cos \Omega t + v_y(0) \sin \Omega t$$

$$v_y(t) = v_y(0) \cos \Omega t - v_x(0) \sin \Omega t$$

$$v_z(t) = v_z(0); \quad \Omega \equiv qB_0/mc$$

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i)

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\nabla \times \vec{A})_i &= \epsilon_{ijk} \partial_j A_k = \epsilon_{ijk} \partial_j \left[ \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{klm} B_l x_m \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} B_l \epsilon_{ijk} \epsilon_{klm} \delta_{jm} = \frac{1}{2} B_l \epsilon_{ijk} \epsilon_{jkl} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} B_l 2 \delta_{li} = B_i
 \end{aligned}$$

THUS,

$$\vec{A} = \frac{1}{2} B_0 \hat{z} [x\hat{x} + y\hat{y} + z\hat{z}] = \frac{B_0}{2} [-y\hat{x} + x\hat{y}]$$

ii)

$$L = \frac{1}{2} m \dot{\vec{r}}^2 + \frac{q}{c} \vec{A} \cdot \dot{\vec{v}} = \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 + \dot{z}^2) + \frac{qB_0}{2c} (-y\dot{x} + x\dot{y})$$

iii)

$$p_x = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} = m\dot{x} - \frac{qB_0}{2c} y; \quad p_y = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{y}} = m\dot{y} + \frac{qB_0}{2c} x; \quad p_z = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{z}} = m\dot{z}$$

THEN,

$$\begin{aligned}
 H &= \sum_i \dot{x}_i p_i - L = \dot{x} (m\dot{x} - \alpha y) + \dot{y} (m\dot{y} + \alpha x) + m\dot{z}^2 \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 + \dot{z}^2) - \alpha (-y\dot{x} + x\dot{y}) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} m \dot{x}^2 + \frac{1}{2} m \dot{y}^2 + \frac{1}{2} m \dot{z}^2
 \end{aligned}$$

OR

$$H = \frac{1}{2} m \left( \frac{P_x + \alpha y}{m} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} m \left( \frac{P_y - \alpha x}{m} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} m \left( \frac{P_z}{m} \right)^2$$

OR

$$H = \frac{(P_x + \alpha y)^2}{2m} + \frac{(P_y - \alpha x)^2}{2m} + \frac{P_z^2}{2m}; \quad \alpha = \frac{qB_0}{2c}$$

iv)

FROM ABOVE, WE OBTAIN FOR THE MECHANICAL MOMENTUM:

$$\pi_x = m\dot{x} = P_x + \alpha y; \quad \pi_y = m\dot{y} = P_y - \alpha x; \quad \pi_z = m\dot{z} = P_z$$

THEN,

$$[\pi_x, \pi_y] = [P_x + \alpha y, P_y - \alpha x] = [P_x, P_y] - \alpha [P_x, x] + \alpha [y, P_y] - \alpha^2 [y, x]$$

OR

$$[\pi_x, \pi_y] = \alpha \alpha; \quad [\pi_y, \pi_z] = [\pi_z, \pi_x] = 0$$

v)

$$H = \frac{\pi_x^2}{2m} + \frac{\pi_y^2}{2m} + \frac{\pi_z^2}{2m}$$

THEN,

$$\dot{\pi}_x = [\pi_x, H] = \frac{1}{2m} [\pi_x, \pi_y^2] = \frac{1}{2m} \left\{ [\pi_x, \pi_y] \pi_y + \pi_y [\pi_x, \pi_y] \right\} = \frac{2\alpha \pi_y}{m}$$

$$\dot{\pi}_y = [\pi_y, H] = \frac{1}{2m} [\pi_y, \pi_x^2] = -\frac{2\alpha \pi_x}{m}$$

$$\dot{\pi}_z = [\pi_z, H] = 0$$

HENCE,

$$\dot{\vec{r}}(t) = \dot{\pi}_x + i\dot{\pi}_y = \frac{q\alpha}{m}(\pi_y - i\pi_x) = -\frac{2iq\alpha}{m}(\pi_x + i\pi_y) = -\frac{2iq\alpha}{m}\vec{r}(t)$$

OR

$$\dot{\vec{r}}(t) = -i\omega_c \vec{r}(t); \quad \omega_c = \frac{2q\alpha}{m} = \frac{qB_0}{mc}$$

AND

$$\dot{\pi}_z(t) = 0 \Rightarrow \pi_z(t) = \pi_z(0) = \text{CONSTANT}$$

HENCE,

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{r}(t) &= \vec{r}(0) e^{-i\omega_c t} = (\pi_x(0) + i\pi_y(0)) e^{-i\omega_c t} \\ &= [\pi_x(0) + i\pi_y(0)] [\cos \omega_c t - i \sin \omega_c t] \end{aligned}$$

OR

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_x(t) &= \pi_x(0) \cos \omega_c t + \pi_y(0) \sin \omega_c t \\ \pi_y(t) &= \pi_y(0) \cos \omega_c t - \pi_x(0) \sin \omega_c t \\ \pi_z(t) &= \pi_z(0); \quad \omega_c = qB_0/mc \end{aligned}$$

FOR A PARTICLE OF CHARGE  $q$  MOVING IN THE PRESENCE OF A CONSTANT MAGNETIC FIELD  $\vec{B} = B_0 \hat{z}$ , NEWTON'S LAW + LORENTZ FORCE YIELD:

$$m\vec{a} = m\frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = \frac{d\vec{\pi}}{dt} = \frac{q}{c}\vec{v} \times \vec{B} = \left(\frac{qB_0}{mc}\right) \vec{\pi} \times \hat{z}$$

THEN,  $\vec{\pi}$  PRECESSES WITH FREQUENCY  $\omega_c = \frac{qB_0}{mc}$  ALONG THE  $\hat{z}$ -AXIS, IN AGREEMENT WITH THE ABOVE RESULT.