PHYSICS 100C: ELECTROMAGNETISM SOLUTIONS HOMEWORK #5

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Problem I

(a) The retarded electrical potential is computed from

$$V(\boldsymbol{r},t) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\rho(\boldsymbol{r}',t_r)}{|\boldsymbol{r}-\boldsymbol{r}'|} d^3 \boldsymbol{r}',$$
(1)

where the retarded time is $t_r = t - |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|/c$. The charges of this electric dipole are located at $\mathbf{r}_{\pm} = \pm \frac{s}{2}\hat{\mathbf{z}}$, so the corresponding retarded times are $t_r^{\pm} = t - |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_{\pm}|/c$. With the aid of the three-dimensional Dirac delta function we can write the charge density as

$$\rho(\mathbf{r}', t_r) = \operatorname{Re}\left\{Q(t_r^+)\delta^3(\mathbf{r}' - \mathbf{r}_+) - Q(t_r^-)\delta^3(\mathbf{r}' - \mathbf{r}_-)\right\},\tag{2}$$

with $Q(t_r) = Q_m e^{i\omega t_r}$. Plugging this charge density in (1) we obtain

$$V(\boldsymbol{r},t) = \operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{Q(t_r^+)}{|\boldsymbol{r} - \boldsymbol{r}_+|} - \frac{Q(t_r^-)}{|\boldsymbol{r} - \boldsymbol{r}_-|}\right]\right\}.$$
(3)

We now need to compute $|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_{\pm}|$ as these appear in the denominators and in the retarded times in the expression for the potential. We then get

$$\left| \boldsymbol{r} \pm \frac{s}{2} \hat{\boldsymbol{z}} \right| = \left[\left(\boldsymbol{r} \pm \frac{s}{2} \hat{\boldsymbol{z}} \right) \cdot \left(\boldsymbol{r} \pm \frac{s}{2} \hat{\boldsymbol{z}} \right) \right]^{1/2}$$
(4)

$$= \left[r^2 \pm sr\hat{\boldsymbol{r}} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{z}} + \left(\frac{s}{2}\right)^2\right]^{1/2} \wedge \hat{\boldsymbol{r}} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{z}} = \cos\theta \tag{5}$$

$$= r \left[1 \pm \frac{s}{r} \cos \theta + \left(\frac{s}{2r}\right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \wedge s \ll r \iff \frac{s}{r} \ll 1$$

$$\approx r \left[1 \pm \frac{s}{2r} \cos \theta \right].$$
(6)
(7)

$$\approx r \left[1 \pm \frac{s}{2r} \cos \theta \right]. \tag{7}$$

Thus, the denominators can be approximated as

$$\frac{1}{|\boldsymbol{r} - \boldsymbol{r}_{\pm}|} = \frac{1}{|\boldsymbol{r} \mp \frac{s}{2}\hat{\boldsymbol{z}}|} \approx \frac{1}{r\left[1 \mp \frac{s}{2r}\cos\theta\right]} \approx \frac{1}{r}\left[1 \pm \frac{s}{2r}\cos\theta\right],\tag{8}$$

while the exponents of the complex exponentials, using $\lambda \equiv c/\omega$, become

$$\omega t_r^{\pm} = \omega t - \frac{\omega}{c} |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_{\pm}| \approx \omega t - \frac{\omega}{c} r \left[1 \mp \frac{s}{2r} \cos \theta \right] = \omega \left(t - \frac{r}{c} \right) \pm \frac{s}{2\lambda} \cos \theta.$$
(9)

With these results, the potential takes the form

$$V(\mathbf{r},t) \approx \operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{Q_m e^{i\omega(t-\frac{r}{c})}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} \left[(1+\frac{s}{2r}\cos\theta)e^{i\frac{s}{2\lambda}\cos\theta} - (1-\frac{s}{2r}\cos\theta)e^{-i\frac{s}{2\lambda}\cos\theta} \right] \right\}.$$
 (10)

Assuming $s \ll \lambda \iff \frac{s}{\lambda} \ll 1$, then $e^{\pm i \frac{s}{2\lambda} \cos \theta} \approx 1 \pm i \frac{s}{2\lambda} \cos \theta$. Using this approximation for the complex exponentials, after some straightforward algebra we finally arrive at

$$V(\mathbf{r},t) \approx \operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{Q_m e^{i\omega(t-\frac{r}{c})}s\cos\theta}{4\pi\epsilon_0\lambda r} \left[\frac{\lambda}{r}+i\right]\right\} = \operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{[p^*]\cos\theta}{4\pi\epsilon_0\lambda r} \left[\frac{\lambda}{r}+i\right]\right\},\tag{11}$$

where $[p^*] \equiv sQ_m e^{i\omega(t-\frac{r}{c})}$ is the magnitude of the complex electric dipole moment evaluated at the retarded time $t - \frac{r}{c}$.

(b) The expression for the retarded vector potential is

$$\boldsymbol{A}(\boldsymbol{r},t) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\boldsymbol{J}(\boldsymbol{r}',t_r)}{|\boldsymbol{r}-\boldsymbol{r}'|} d^3 \boldsymbol{r}'.$$
(12)

One can write the current density as

$$\boldsymbol{J}(\boldsymbol{r}',t_r) = \begin{cases} \hat{\boldsymbol{z}}I(t_r)\delta(x')\delta(y') &, \quad z' \in [-\frac{s}{2},\frac{s}{2}] \\ \boldsymbol{0} &, \quad z' \in (-\infty,-\frac{s}{2}) \cup (\frac{s}{2},\infty) \end{cases},$$
(13)

where $I(t) = \operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{d}{dt}Q(t)\right\} = \operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{d}{dt}Q_m e^{i\omega t}\right\} = \operatorname{Re}\left\{i\omega Q_m e^{i\omega t}\right\}$. Substituting in (12) yields

$$\boldsymbol{A}(\boldsymbol{r},t) = \operatorname{Re}\left\{\hat{\boldsymbol{z}}\frac{\mu_{0}}{4\pi}i\omega Q_{m}\int_{-s/2}^{s/2}\frac{e^{i\omega(t-|\boldsymbol{r}-z'\hat{\boldsymbol{z}}|/c)}}{|\boldsymbol{r}-z'\hat{\boldsymbol{z}}|}dz'\right\}.$$
(14)

Since $z' \in [-\frac{s}{2}, \frac{s}{2}] \Longrightarrow |z'| \leq \frac{s}{2}$, and recalling that $s \ll r$ we conclude $\frac{|z'|}{r} \ll 1$. So we can repeat the approximations presented in part (a) to obtain

$$|\boldsymbol{r} - \boldsymbol{z}' \hat{\boldsymbol{z}}| \approx r \left[1 - \frac{\boldsymbol{z}'}{r} \cos \theta \right],$$
 (15)

$$\frac{1}{|\boldsymbol{r} - z'\hat{\boldsymbol{z}}|} \approx \frac{1}{r} \left[1 + \frac{z'}{r} \cos \theta \right], \qquad (16)$$

$$\omega\left(t - \frac{|\boldsymbol{r} - z'\hat{\boldsymbol{z}}|}{c}\right) \approx \omega\left(t - \frac{r}{c}\right) + \frac{z'}{\lambda}\cos\theta.$$
(17)

Using these approximations we get the following vector potential

$$\boldsymbol{A}(\boldsymbol{r},t) \approx \operatorname{Re}\left\{\boldsymbol{\hat{z}}\frac{\mu_{0}}{4\pi r}i\omega Q_{m}e^{i\omega(t-\frac{r}{c})}\int_{-s/2}^{s/2}e^{i\frac{z'}{\lambda}\cos\theta}\left[1+\frac{z'}{r}\cos\theta\right]dz'\right\}.$$
(18)

The already shown result $|z'| \leq \frac{s}{2}$ together with $s \ll \lambda$ imply $\frac{|z'|}{\lambda} \ll 1$, hence $e^{i\frac{z'}{\lambda}\cos\theta} \approx 1 + i\frac{z'}{\lambda}\cos\theta$. Thus the integral to be computed simplifies to

$$\int_{-s/2}^{s/2} \left[1 + i\frac{z'}{\lambda}\cos\theta \right] \left[1 + \frac{z'}{r}\cos\theta \right] dz' \approx \int_{-s/2}^{s/2} \left[1 + z'\left(\frac{i}{\lambda} + \frac{1}{r}\right)\cos\theta \right] dz'.$$
(19)

But $\int_{-s/2}^{s/2} z' dz' = 0$, so the integral can be simply approximated as s. Therefore, the retarded vector potential is given by

$$\boldsymbol{A}(\boldsymbol{r},t) \approx \operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 c\lambda r} isQ_m e^{i\omega(t-\frac{r}{c})} (\cos\theta\hat{\boldsymbol{r}} - \sin\theta\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}})\right\} = \operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{i[p^*]}{4\pi\epsilon_0 c\lambda r} (\cos\theta\hat{\boldsymbol{r}} - \sin\theta\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}})\right\},\tag{20}$$

where we used that $\mu_0 \omega = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0 c \lambda}$ and $\hat{\boldsymbol{z}} = \cos \theta \hat{\boldsymbol{r}} - \sin \theta \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$.

(c) By direct differentiation—using $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}[p^*] = i\omega[p^*]$ and $\frac{\partial}{\partial r}[p^*] = -\frac{i}{\lambda}[p^*]$ —one can readily show

$$\epsilon_0 \mu_0 \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} = \operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{i\omega[p^*]\cos\theta}{4\pi\epsilon_0 c^2\lambda r} \left[\frac{\lambda}{r} + i\right]\right\} = -\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{A},\tag{21}$$

hence $\epsilon_0 \mu_0 \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} = 0$. Therefore, the potentials computed in (a) and (b) do indeed satisfy the Lorentz condition.

Problem II

(a) The retarded vector potential generated by a current $I(t) = \text{Re} \{I_m e^{i\omega t}\}$ flowing in a circular loop of radius *a* in the *xy* plane reads

$$\boldsymbol{A}(\boldsymbol{r},t) = \operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{I_m e^{i\omega(t-r'/c)}}{r'} a\hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}} d\boldsymbol{\phi}\right\},\tag{22}$$

where ϕ is the angle used to parameterize the loop and $r' = |\mathbf{r}'| = |\mathbf{r} - a\hat{\boldsymbol{\rho}}(\phi)|$. For those interested, the above expression results from the current density $\boldsymbol{J}(\mathbf{r},t) = I(t)\delta(\rho - a)\delta(z)\hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}}$.

In spherical coordinates (r, θ, φ) , the point at which we are computing A(r, t) is

 $\boldsymbol{r} = r[\sin\theta\cos\varphi\hat{\boldsymbol{x}} + \sin\theta\sin\varphi\hat{\boldsymbol{y}} + \cos\theta\hat{\boldsymbol{z}}] = r[\sin\theta\hat{\boldsymbol{\rho}}(\varphi) + \cos\theta\hat{\boldsymbol{z}}], \quad (23)$

so we have $\boldsymbol{r} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\rho}}(\phi) = r \sin \theta \cos(\phi - \varphi)$. Thus,

$$r' = [(\boldsymbol{r} - a\hat{\boldsymbol{\rho}}(\phi)) \cdot (\boldsymbol{r} - a\hat{\boldsymbol{\rho}}(\phi))]^{1/2}$$
(24)

$$= \left[r^2 - 2a\boldsymbol{r}\cdot\hat{\boldsymbol{\rho}}(\phi) + a^2\right]^{1/2}$$
(25)

$$= \left[r^{2} - 2ar\sin\theta\cos(\phi - \varphi) + a^{2} \right]^{1/2}$$
(26)

$$= r \left[1 - 2\frac{a}{r}\sin\theta\cos(\phi - \varphi) + \left(\frac{a}{r}\right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \wedge \frac{a}{r} \ll 1$$
(27)

$$\approx r \left[1 - \frac{a}{r} \sin \theta \cos(\phi - \varphi) \right].$$
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Using this approximate expression for r' we obtain

$$\frac{1}{r'} \approx \frac{1}{r} \left[1 + \frac{a}{r} \sin \theta \cos(\phi - \varphi) \right] \quad \text{and} \quad \omega \left(t - \frac{r'}{c} \right) \approx \omega \left(t - \frac{r}{c} \right) + \frac{a}{\lambda} \sin \theta \cos(\phi - \varphi).$$
(29)

The exponential in the integrand then becomes

$$e^{i\omega(t-r'/c)} \approx e^{i\omega(t-r/c)} e^{i\frac{a}{\lambda}\sin\theta\cos(\phi-\varphi)} \approx e^{i\omega(t-r/c)} \left(1 + i\frac{a}{\lambda}\sin\theta\cos(\phi-\varphi)\right)$$
(30)

where we used $\frac{a}{\lambda} \ll 1$ to get the last expression. Plugging all these approximations in (22) yields

$$\boldsymbol{A}(\boldsymbol{r},t) \approx \operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{\mu_0 I_m}{4\pi r} e^{i\omega(t-r/c)} \int_0^{2\pi} \left(1 + a\sin\theta\cos(\phi-\varphi)\left[\frac{i}{\lambda} + \frac{1}{r}\right]\right) a\hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}}d\phi\right\}.$$
 (31)

Recalling that $\hat{\phi} = -\sin\phi\hat{x} + \cos\phi\hat{y}$ and $\cos(\phi - \varphi) = \cos\phi\cos\varphi + \sin\phi\sin\varphi$, one can compute

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \hat{\phi} d\phi = \mathbf{0}, \qquad (32)$$

$$\int_{0}^{2\pi} \cos(\phi - \varphi) \hat{\phi} d\phi = \pi \hat{\varphi}, \qquad (33)$$

where $\hat{\boldsymbol{\varphi}} = -\sin \varphi \hat{\boldsymbol{x}} + \cos \varphi \hat{\boldsymbol{y}}$. Therefore, we get

$$\boldsymbol{A}(\boldsymbol{r},t) \approx \operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{\mu_0 \pi a^2 I_m}{4\pi \lambda r} e^{i\omega(t-r/c)} \left[\frac{\lambda}{r} + i\right] \sin\theta\hat{\boldsymbol{\varphi}}\right\}.$$
(34)

Introducing $m_m \equiv \pi a^2 I_m$, $[t] \equiv t - \frac{r}{c}$, $[m^*] = m_m e^{i\omega[t]}$, and $[m^*] = [m^*]\hat{z}$ we finally obtain

$$\boldsymbol{A}(\boldsymbol{r},t) \approx \operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{\mu_0 m_m}{4\pi\lambda r} e^{i\omega[t]} \left[\frac{\lambda}{r} + i\right] \sin\theta\hat{\boldsymbol{\varphi}}\right\} = \operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{i\mu_0[\boldsymbol{m}^*] \times \hat{\boldsymbol{r}}}{4\pi\lambda r} \left[1 - i\frac{\lambda}{r}\right]\right\}.$$
 (35)

Note that to get the last expression we used $\hat{\boldsymbol{z}} \times \hat{\boldsymbol{r}} = \sin \theta \hat{\boldsymbol{\varphi}}$. It's worth mentioning the similarity in the structure between the electrical potential we computed in Problem I (a) and the present result for the vector potential. By introducing $[\boldsymbol{p}^*] \equiv [p^*] \hat{\boldsymbol{z}}$, we can rewrite V as

$$V(\boldsymbol{r},t) \approx \operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{i[\boldsymbol{p}^*] \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{r}}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 \lambda r} \left[1 - i\frac{\lambda}{r}\right]\right\}.$$
(36)

They both exhibit the same r dependence. Their angular dependence is determined by $[p^*] \cdot \hat{r}$ and $[m^*] \times \hat{r}$, respectively.

(b) The magnitude of the vector potential is $|\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r},t)| = \frac{\mu_0 m_m}{4\pi \lambda r^2} |[\lambda \cos(\omega[t]) - r \sin(\omega[t])] \sin \theta|$. It vanishes at either $\theta = 0, \pi$ or $\tan(\omega[t]) = \lambda/r$. At fixed time $t, |\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r},t)|$ is maximum at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

Problem 10.17

Once seen, from a given point x, the particle will forever remain in view—to disappear it would have to travel faster than light.



Problem 10.19

From Eq. 10.44, $c(t-t_r) = \dot{\tau} \Rightarrow c^2(t-t_r)^2 = \dot{\tau}^2 = \dot{\tau} \cdot \dot{\tau}$. Differentiate with respect to t: $2c^2(t-t_r)\left(1-\frac{\partial t_r}{\partial t}\right) = 2\dot{\tau} \cdot \frac{\partial \dot{\tau}}{\partial t}$, or $c\dot{\tau} \cdot \left(1-\frac{\partial t_r}{\partial t}\right) = \dot{\tau} \cdot \frac{\partial \dot{\tau}}{\partial t}$. Now $\dot{\tau} = \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{w}(t_r)$, so $\frac{\partial \dot{\tau}}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{w}}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{w}}{\partial t_r} \frac{\partial t_r}{\partial t} = -\mathbf{v} \frac{\partial t_r}{\partial t}$; $c\dot{\tau} \left(1-\frac{\partial t_r}{\partial t}\right) = -\dot{\tau} \cdot \mathbf{v} \frac{\partial t_r}{\partial t}$; $c\dot{\tau} = \frac{\partial t_r}{\partial t}(c\dot{\tau} - \dot{\tau} \cdot \mathbf{v}) = \frac{\partial t_r}{\partial t}(c\dot{\tau} - \dot{\tau} \cdot \mathbf{v}) = \frac{\partial t_r}{\partial t}(c\dot{\tau} - \dot{\tau} \cdot \mathbf{v})$ Row Eq. 10.71), and hence $\frac{\partial t_r}{\partial t} = \frac{c\dot{\tau}}{\dot{\tau} \cdot \mathbf{u}}$. qed Now Eq. 10.47 says $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{\mathbf{v}}{c^2} \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t_r} \frac{\partial t_r}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \frac{\partial t_r}{\partial t} \right) = \frac{1}{c^2} \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t_r} \frac{\partial t_r}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \frac{\partial t_r}{\partial t} \right)$ $= \frac{1}{c^2} \left[\mathbf{a} \frac{\partial t_r}{\partial t} \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\sigma}{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{v} \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{-qc}{(\mathbf{z} \cdot \mathbf{u})^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\dot{\tau} c - \dot{\mathbf{z}} \cdot \mathbf{v}) \right]$ $= \frac{1}{c^2} \left[\mathbf{a} \frac{\partial t_r}{\partial t} \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\sigma}{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{v} \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{-qc}{(\mathbf{z} \cdot \mathbf{u})^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \cdot \mathbf{v} - \dot{\mathbf{z}} \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} \right]$. But $\dot{\tau} = c(t-t_r) \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \dot{\tau}}{\partial t} = c\left(1 - \frac{\partial t_r}{\partial t}\right)$, $\dot{\mathbf{z}} = \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{w}(t_r) \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \mathbf{z}}{\partial t} = -\mathbf{v} \frac{\partial t_r}{\partial t}$ (as above), and $\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t_r} \frac{\partial t_r}{\partial t} = a \frac{\partial t_r}{\partial t}$. $= \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 c(\mathbf{z} \cdot \mathbf{u})^2} \left\{ -c^2 \mathbf{v} + \left[(\mathbf{z} \cdot \mathbf{u}) \mathbf{a} + (c^2 - v^2 + \mathbf{z} \cdot \mathbf{a}) \mathbf{v} \right] \frac{\partial t_r}{\partial t} \right\}$ $= \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 c(\mathbf{z} \cdot \mathbf{u})^2} \left\{ -c^2 \mathbf{v} + \left[(\mathbf{z} \cdot \mathbf{u}) \mathbf{a} + (c^2 - v^2 + \mathbf{z} \cdot \mathbf{a}) \mathbf{v} \right] \frac{c^2}{\mathbf{z} \cdot \mathbf{u}} \right\}$ $= \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 c(\mathbf{z} \cdot \mathbf{u})^2} \left\{ -c^2 \mathbf{v} + \left[(\mathbf{z} \cdot \mathbf{u}) \mathbf{a} + c^2 (c^2 - v^2 + \mathbf{z} \cdot \mathbf{a}) \mathbf{v} \right] \frac{c^2}{\mathbf{z} \cdot \mathbf{u}} \right\}$ $= \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 c(\mathbf{z} \cdot \mathbf{u})^3} \left[(c^2 \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} + c^2 (\mathbf{z} \cdot \mathbf{u}) \mathbf{a} + c^2 (c^2 - v^2 + \mathbf{z} \cdot \mathbf{a}) \mathbf{v} \right]$. qed

Problem 10.20

 $\mathbf{E} = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}{(\boldsymbol{\lambda} \cdot \mathbf{u})^3} \left[(c^2 - v^2) \mathbf{u} + \boldsymbol{\lambda} \times (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{a}) \right]. \text{ Here}$ $\mathbf{v} = v \,\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \, \mathbf{a} = a \,\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \text{ and, for points to the right, } \hat{\boldsymbol{\lambda}} = \hat{\mathbf{x}}.$ So $\mathbf{u} = (c - v) \,\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \, \mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{0}, \text{ and } \,\boldsymbol{\lambda} \cdot \mathbf{u} = \boldsymbol{\lambda} \, (c - v).$ $\mathbf{E} = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}{(c - v)^3} (c^2 - v^2)(c - v) \,\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{(c + v)(c - v)^2}{(c - v)^3} \,\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{1}{c^2} \left(\frac{c + v}{c - v} \right) \,\hat{\mathbf{x}};$

$$\mathbf{B} = \frac{1}{c} \hat{\boldsymbol{x}} \times \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{0}. \quad \text{qed}$$

For field points to the *left*, $\hat{\boldsymbol{x}} = -\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ and $\mathbf{u} = -(c+v)\hat{\mathbf{x}}$, so $\boldsymbol{x} \cdot \mathbf{u} = \boldsymbol{z} (c+v)$, and

$$\mathbf{E} = -\frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}{\boldsymbol{\lambda}^{-3}(c+v)^3} (c^2 - v^2)(c+v) \,\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \left[\frac{-q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{\boldsymbol{\lambda}^{-2}} \left(\frac{c-v}{c+v} \right) \,\hat{\mathbf{x}}; \, \, \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0}. \right]$$

Problem 10.24

 $\lambda(\phi,t) = \lambda_0 |\sin(\theta/2)|$, where $\theta = \phi - \omega t$. So the (retarded) scalar potential at the center is (Eq. 10.26)

$$V(t) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\lambda}{2} dl' = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\lambda_0 \left|\sin\left[(\phi - \omega t_r)/2\right]\right|}{a} d\phi$$
$$= \frac{\lambda_0}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin(\theta/2) d\theta = \frac{\lambda_0}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[-2\cos(\theta/2)\right]\Big|_0^{2\pi}$$
$$= \frac{\lambda_0}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[2 - (-2)\right] = \boxed{\frac{\lambda_0}{\pi\epsilon_0}}.$$



(Note: at fixed t_r , $d\phi = d\theta$, and it goes through one full cycle of ϕ or θ .) Meanwhile $\mathbf{I}(\phi, t) = \lambda \mathbf{v} = \lambda_0 \omega a |\sin[(\phi - \omega t)/2]| \hat{\phi}$. From Eq. 10.26 (again)

$$\mathbf{A}(t) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\mathbf{I}}{2} dl' = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\lambda_0 \omega a \left| \sin[(\phi - \omega t_r)/2] \right| \dot{\phi}}{a} a d\phi.$$

But $t_r = t - a/c$ is again constant, for the ϕ integration, and $\hat{\phi} = -\sin \phi \, \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \cos \phi \, \hat{\mathbf{y}}.$
$$= \frac{\mu_0 \lambda_0 \omega a}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left| \sin[(\phi - \omega t_r)/2] \right| \left(-\sin \phi \, \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \cos \phi \, \hat{\mathbf{y}} \right) d\phi.$$
 Again, switch variables to $\theta = \phi - \omega t_r$, and integrate from $\theta = 0$ to $\theta = 2\pi$ (so we don't have to worry about the absolute value).

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$$= \frac{\mu_0 \lambda_0 \omega a}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin(\theta/2) \left[-\sin(\theta + \omega t_r) \,\hat{\mathbf{x}} + \cos(\theta + \omega t_r) \,\hat{\mathbf{y}} \right] \, d\theta. \quad \text{Now}$$

$$\begin{split} \int_{0}^{2\pi} \sin\left(\theta/2\right) \sin\left(\theta + \omega t_{r}\right) d\theta &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{2\pi} \left[\cos\left(\theta/2 + \omega t_{r}\right) - \cos\left(3\theta/2 + \omega t_{r}\right)\right] d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[2\sin\left(\theta/2 + \omega t_{r}\right) - \frac{2}{3}\sin\left(3\theta/2 + \omega t_{r}\right)\right] \Big|_{0}^{2\pi} \\ &= \sin(\pi + \omega t_{r}) - \sin(\omega t_{r}) - \frac{1}{3}\sin(3\pi + \omega t_{r}) + \frac{1}{3}\sin(\omega t_{r}) \\ &= -2\sin(\omega t_{r}) + \frac{2}{3}\sin(\omega t_{r}) = -\frac{4}{3}\sin(\omega t_{r}). \end{split}$$
$$\int_{0}^{2\pi} \sin\left(\theta/2\right)\cos\left(\theta + \omega t_{r}\right) d\theta &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{2\pi} \left[-\sin\left(\theta/2 + \omega t_{r}\right) + \sin\left(3\theta/2 + \omega t_{r}\right) \right] d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[2\cos\left(\theta/2 + \omega t_{r}\right) - \frac{2}{3}\cos\left(3\theta/2 + \omega t_{r}\right) \right] \Big|_{0}^{2\pi} \\ &= \cos(\pi + \omega t_{r}) - \cos(\omega t_{r}) - \frac{1}{3}\cos(3\pi + \omega t_{r}) + \frac{1}{3}\cos(\omega t_{r}) \\ &= -2\cos(\omega t_{r}) + \frac{2}{3}\cos(\omega t_{r}) = -\frac{4}{3}\cos(\omega t_{r}). \end{split}$$
$$\mathbf{A}(t) &= \frac{\mu_{0}\lambda_{0}\omega a}{4\pi} \left(\frac{4}{3}\right) \left[\sin(\omega t_{r})\,\mathbf{\hat{x}} - \cos(\omega t_{r})\,\mathbf{\hat{y}}\right] = \boxed{\frac{\mu_{0}\lambda_{0}\omega a}{3\pi} \left\{\sin[\omega(t - a/c)]\,\mathbf{\hat{x}} - \cos[\omega(t - a/c)]\,\mathbf{\hat{y}}\right\}}. \end{split}$$