

Cylindrical coordinates

Equations of motion in cylindrical coordinates and
Hamiltonian

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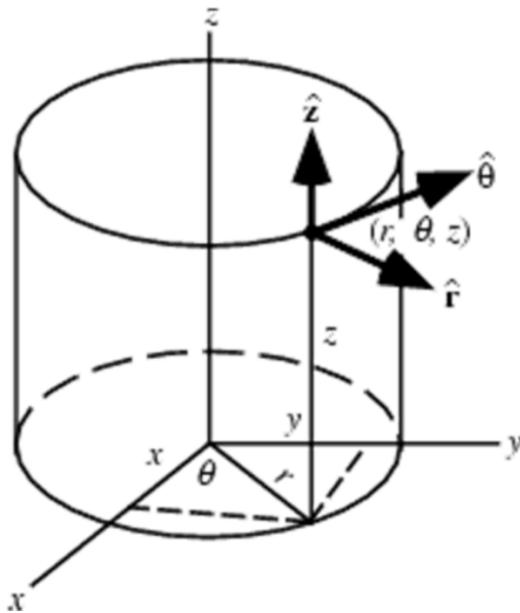
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The relativistic Lagrangian is
$$L = -m_0c^2\sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}} + q\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{A} - q\phi$$

Let us use the cylindrical coordinates



$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{v} &= v_r\hat{\mathbf{r}} + v_\theta\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} + v_z\hat{\mathbf{z}} = \dot{r}\hat{\mathbf{r}} + r\dot{\theta}\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} + \dot{z}\hat{\mathbf{z}}, \\ \mathbf{A}(r, \theta, z) &= A_r\hat{\mathbf{r}} + A_\theta\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} + A_z\hat{\mathbf{z}}, \\ \phi &= \phi(r, \theta, z).\end{aligned}$$

$$L = -m_0c^2\sqrt{1 - \frac{\dot{r}^2 + r^2\dot{\theta}^2 + \dot{z}^2}{c^2}} + q(\dot{r}A_r + r\dot{\theta}A_\theta + \dot{z}A_z) - q\phi$$

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$$= 1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2} = 1 - \beta^2 = \frac{1}{\gamma^2}$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial \dot{r}} = -m_0c^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \dot{r}} \frac{1}{2\gamma} = -m_0c^2 \gamma \frac{-2\dot{r}/c^2}{2}$$

The generalized momentum has then components:

$$P_r = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{r}} = m_0\gamma\dot{r} + qA_r ,$$

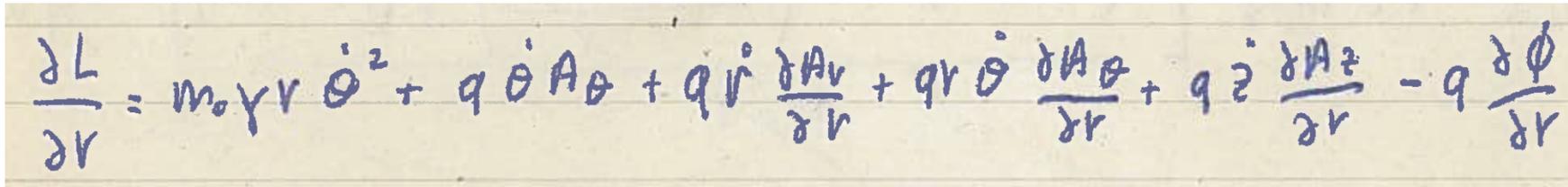
$$P_\theta = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} = m_0\gamma r^2\dot{\theta} + qrA_\theta ,$$

$$P_z = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{z}} = m_0\gamma\dot{z} + qA_z ,$$

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$$P_r = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{r}} = m_0 \gamma \dot{r} + q A_r \quad \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}_i} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial x_i} = 0$$



The image shows a handwritten equation on a piece of lined paper. The equation is:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{r}} = m_0 \gamma \dot{r} + q \dot{\theta} A_\theta + q \dot{r} \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial \dot{r}} + q r \dot{\theta} \frac{\partial A_\theta}{\partial \dot{r}} + q \dot{z} \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial \dot{r}} - q \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \dot{r}}$$

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$$P_r = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{r}} = m_0 \gamma \dot{r} + q A_r$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial r} = m_0 \gamma \dot{\theta}^2 + q \dot{\theta} A_\theta + q \dot{r} \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial r} + q r \dot{\theta} \frac{\partial A_\theta}{\partial r} + q \dot{z} \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial r} - q \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}_i} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial x_i} = 0$$

$$q \frac{dA_r}{dt} =$$

$$q \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial t} + q \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial \theta} \dot{\theta} + q \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial r} \dot{r} + q \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial z} \dot{z}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} (m_0 \gamma \dot{r}) - m_0 \gamma \dot{\theta}^2 = \underbrace{q r \dot{\theta} \left(\frac{A_\theta}{r} + \frac{\partial A_\theta}{\partial r} \right)}_{- q \dot{\theta} \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial \theta}} + \underbrace{q \dot{z} \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial r}}_{- q \dot{z} \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial z}} - q \left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial t} \right) + q \dot{r} \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial r}$$

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We first need to express the electric and magnetic fields in terms of the vector and scalar potentials in cylindrical coordinates

$$\mathbf{B} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A} \quad \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t} - \nabla \phi$$

$$B_r = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial \theta} - \frac{\partial A_\theta}{\partial z}$$

$$B_\theta = \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial r}$$

$$B_z = \frac{1}{r} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r A_\theta) - \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial \theta} \right) = \frac{1}{r} A_\theta + \frac{\partial A_\theta}{\partial r} - \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial \theta}$$

$$E_r = - \left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial t} \right)$$

$$E_\theta = - \left(\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial A_\theta}{\partial t} \right)$$

$$E_z = - \left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial t} \right)$$

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$$\frac{d}{dt}(m_0 r \dot{v}) - m_0 r \dot{\theta}^2 = q r \dot{\theta} \left(\frac{A_\theta}{r} + \frac{\partial A_\theta}{\partial r} \right) + q \dot{z} \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial r} - q \left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial z} \right) + q v \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial z}$$

$$- q \dot{\theta} \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial \theta} - q \dot{z} \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial z} - q v \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial z}$$

$$B_z = \frac{1}{r} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r A_\theta) - \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial \theta} \right) = \frac{1}{r} A_\theta + \frac{\partial A_\theta}{\partial r} - \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial \theta}$$

$$B_\theta = \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial r}$$

$$E_r = - \left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial z} \right)$$

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So the first equation (along r) becomes:

$$\frac{d}{dt}(m_0\gamma\dot{r}) - m_0\gamma r\dot{\theta}^2 = q(E_r + r\dot{\theta}B_z - \dot{z}B_\theta)$$

Proceeding in a similar way for the others:

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{d}{dt}(m_0\gamma r^2\dot{\theta}) = q(E_\theta + \dot{z}B_r - \dot{r}B_z)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(m_0\gamma\dot{z}) = q(E_z + \dot{r}B_\theta - r\dot{\theta}B_r)$$

Hamiltonian in cylindrical coordinates

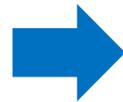
$$\mathbf{P} = m\mathbf{v} + q\mathbf{A} \qquad H = \sqrt{m_0^2 c^4 + c^2 |\mathbf{P} - q\mathbf{A}|^2} + q\phi$$

$$H = \sqrt{m_0^2 c^4 + c^2 m_0^2 \gamma^2 v^2} + q\phi \qquad \mathbf{v} = v_r \hat{\mathbf{r}} + v_\theta \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} + v_z \hat{\mathbf{z}} = \dot{r} \hat{\mathbf{r}} + r \dot{\theta} \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} + \dot{z} \hat{\mathbf{z}}$$

$$P_r = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{r}} = m_0 \gamma \dot{r} + q A_r ,$$

$$P_\theta = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} = m_0 \gamma r^2 \dot{\theta} + q r A_\theta ,$$

$$P_z = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{z}} = m_0 \gamma \dot{z} + q A_z ,$$



Handwritten notes showing the derivation of velocity components from momentum components:

$$\dot{r}^2 = \left(\frac{P_r - q A_r}{m_0 \gamma} \right)^2$$

$$r^2 \dot{\theta}^2 = \left(\frac{P_\theta - q r A_\theta}{m_0 \gamma r} \right)^2$$

$$\dot{z}^2 = \left(\frac{P_z - q A_z}{m_0 \gamma} \right)^2$$

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$$H = \sqrt{m_0^2 c^4 + c^2 m_0^2 \cancel{r^2} \left[\underbrace{(P_r - qA_r)^2 + \left(\frac{P_\theta - qrA_\theta}{r} \right)^2 + (P_z - qA_z)^2}_{m_0^2 r^2} \right]} + q\phi$$

$$H = c \sqrt{m^2 c^2 + (P_r - qA_r)^2 + \left(\frac{P_\theta - qrA_\theta}{r} \right)^2 + (P_z - qA_z)^2} + q\phi$$