

31.1 Begin by noting that $\vec{r} = x\hat{x} + y\hat{y} + z\hat{z}$, and $r(x') = vx'$, so

$$\vec{r} - \vec{r}(x') = x\hat{x} + y\hat{y} + (z - vx')\hat{z} \quad \text{and} \quad |\vec{r} - \vec{r}(x')| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + (z - vx')^2}$$

Also see that $\vec{v}(x') = v\hat{z}$, so $(\vec{r} - \vec{r}(x')) \cdot \frac{\vec{v}(x')}{c} = \frac{v}{c}(z - vx')$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } |\vec{r} - \vec{r}(x')| - (\vec{r} - \vec{r}(x')) \cdot \frac{\vec{v}(x')}{c} &= \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + (z - vx')^2} - \frac{v}{c}(z - vx') \equiv \text{denom} \\ &= \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + (z - vx')^2} - \frac{v}{c}z + \frac{v^2 x'}{c} - \frac{v^2}{c^2} \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + (z - vx')^2} \quad (\text{b/c } x' = x - \frac{v}{c} \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + (z - vx')^2}) \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}\right) \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + (z - vx')^2} + \frac{v}{c}(vx' - z) \end{aligned}$$

I don't know. I keep trying... and can't get it to work.

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$$= \sqrt{(z - vx')^2 + \left(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}\right)(x^2 + y^2)}$$

So we replace the denominator in our potential from 31.5 and get

$$\boxed{\Phi = \frac{e}{\sqrt{(z - vx')^2 + \left(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}\right)(x^2 + y^2)}}$$

In part 31.5, we saw $\vec{A} = \frac{v(x')}{c} \Phi(\vec{r}, t)$, and now since $\vec{v}(x') \rightarrow v$

$$\boxed{\vec{A} = \frac{v}{c} \Phi}$$



Electric field

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{E} &= -\nabla\Phi - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t} = -\nabla \frac{e}{\sqrt{(z-vt)^2 + (1-\frac{v^2}{c^2})(x^2+y^2)}} - \frac{e}{c^2} \frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} \\ &= e \frac{-\frac{1}{2}(1+\frac{v^2}{c^2})(2x\hat{x}+2y\hat{y}) + \frac{1}{2} 2(z-vt) \cdot 1}{\left[(z-vt)^2 + (1-\frac{v^2}{c^2})(x^2+y^2) \right]^{3/2}} - \frac{e\vec{v}}{c^2} \frac{-\frac{1}{2} 2(z-vt)(-v)}{\left[\dots \right]^{3/2}} \\ &= e \frac{(1-\frac{v^2}{c^2})(x\hat{x}+y\hat{y}) + (z-vt)\hat{z}}{\left[\dots \right]^{3/2}} + \frac{e\vec{v}v}{c^2} \frac{z-vt}{\left[\dots \right]^{3/2}} \\ &= e \frac{(1-\frac{v^2}{c^2})(x\hat{x}+y\hat{y}) + (z-vt)\hat{z} - \frac{v^2}{c^2}(z-vt)\hat{z}}{\left[\dots \right]^{3/2}} \quad (\text{b/c } \vec{v} = v\hat{z}) \\ &= e \frac{(1-\frac{v^2}{c^2})(x\hat{x}+y\hat{y}) + (z-vt)\hat{z}}{\left[\dots \right]^{3/2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{E} = \frac{e(1-\frac{v^2}{c^2})(\vec{r}-\vec{v}t)}{\left[(z-vt)^2 + (1-\frac{v^2}{c^2})(x^2+y^2) \right]^{3/2}}}$$

Magnetic Field

$$\vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} = \vec{\nabla} \times \frac{e\vec{v}}{c\sqrt{(z-vt)^2 + (1-\frac{v^2}{c^2})(x^2+y^2)}}$$

To mathematica! (see attached)

$$\vec{B} = \frac{ev(1-\frac{v^2}{c^2})(y\hat{x}+x\hat{y})}{c\left[\dots \right]^{3/2}}$$

Same as before

Now, note $\hat{z} \times (\vec{r}-\vec{v}t) = \hat{z} \times (x\hat{x} + y\hat{y} + (z-vt)\hat{z}) = y\hat{x} + x\hat{y}$,

so

$$\vec{B} = \frac{ev(1-\frac{v^2}{c^2})(\hat{z} \times (\vec{r}-\vec{v}t))}{c\left[(z-vt)^2 + (1-\frac{v^2}{c^2})(x^2+y^2) \right]^{3/2}} = \frac{v\hat{z}}{c} \times \underbrace{\frac{e(1-\frac{v^2}{c^2})(\vec{r}-\vec{v}t)}{\left[(z-vt)^2 + (1-\frac{v^2}{c^2})(x^2+y^2) \right]^{3/2}}}_{\vec{E}}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{B} = \frac{\vec{v}}{c} \times \vec{E}}$$