

Problem 1 (40 marks)

A “full-wave antenna” is modeled by the electric current density

$$\vec{j}(\vec{r}, t) = \begin{cases} \vec{e}_z I \cos(\omega t) \delta(x) \delta(y) \sin(\omega z/c) & \text{for } |\omega z/c| \leq \pi, \\ 0 & \text{for } |\omega z/c| \geq \pi, \end{cases}$$

where the current I and the radial frequency ω are given constants. Find the angular distribution of the radiated power, averaged over one period of the oscillation, and discuss its properties.

Problem 2 (30 marks)

At $t = 0$, point charges e and $-e$ are created at $\vec{r} = 0$. Charge e stays at rest while charge $-e$ moves with constant velocity \vec{v} . Derive the distribution in frequency and angle of the emitted radiation. Why does your result exhibit an unphysical feature, and what is its origin? Sketch the angular distribution for $v \ll c$ and for $v \lesssim c$.

Problem 3 (30 marks)

In lecture, the angular distribution of synchrotron radiation emitted into the m th harmonic in parallel and perpendicular polarization was found to be given by

$$\left(\frac{dP_m}{d\Omega} \right)_{\parallel} = \frac{\omega_0 e^2}{2\pi R} \beta^3 m^2 \left[J'_m(m\beta \sin \theta) \right]^2, \\ \left(\frac{dP_m}{d\Omega} \right)_{\perp} = \frac{\omega_0 e^2}{2\pi R} \beta^3 m^2 \left[\frac{J_m(m\beta \sin \theta)}{\beta \tan \theta} \right]^2,$$

with $\beta = v/c$. Show that the total radiated powers,

$$P_{\parallel} = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \int d\Omega \left(\frac{dP_m}{d\Omega} \right)_{\parallel}, \quad P_{\perp} = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \int d\Omega \left(\frac{dP_m}{d\Omega} \right)_{\perp},$$

are such that $P_{\parallel}/P_{\perp} = 3$ for $\beta \ll 1$.

Hints: (1) You do not need to find P_{\parallel} and P_{\perp} for arbitrary values of β .

(2) You may want to establish the form of $J_m(z)$ for $|z| \ll 1$ before you do anything else.