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Q (a) Since  $\begin{pmatrix} c\rho \\ \vec{j} \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} \Phi \\ \vec{A} \end{pmatrix}$  are 4-vector fields,

their Lorentz scalar product,

$$(-c\rho, \vec{j}^T) \begin{pmatrix} \Phi \\ \vec{A} \end{pmatrix} = -c \left[ \rho \Phi - \frac{1}{c} \vec{j} \cdot \vec{A} \right],$$

is a 4-scalar field.

(b) The gauge transformation  $\vec{A} \rightarrow \vec{A} - \vec{\nabla}\lambda$ ,  $\Phi \rightarrow \Phi + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \lambda$  adds

$$\int (d\vec{r}') \left( \rho \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \lambda + \frac{1}{c} \vec{j} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \lambda \right)$$

$$= \underbrace{\int (d\vec{r}') \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left( \frac{1}{c} \vec{j} \lambda \right)}_{=0 \text{ (surface integral)}} + \int (d\vec{r}') \left( \rho \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \lambda - \frac{1}{c} \lambda \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j} \right)$$

$$= \int (d\vec{r}') \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\lambda \rho) = \frac{1}{c} \frac{d}{dt} \int (d\vec{r}') \lambda \rho,$$

which is a total time derivative, indeed.

Q (a) With the mirror moving in the z direction, and the wave vectors of the incoming and reflected light in the x,z plane, we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} \gamma c \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \gamma v \end{pmatrix} \text{ for the 4-velocity of the mirror,}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{\omega}{c} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \sin \theta \\ 0 \\ -\cos \theta \end{pmatrix}, \frac{\omega'}{c'} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \sin \theta' \\ 0 \\ \cos \theta' \end{pmatrix} \text{ for the}$$

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4-wave vectors of the plane waves. In the rest-frame of the mirror we would have

$$\begin{pmatrix} c \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ for the 4-velocity, and } \frac{\omega_0}{c} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \sin \theta_0 \\ 0 \\ \mp \cos \theta_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

for the two 4-wave vectors.

The Lorentz-transformation into the rest frame of the mirror is

$$\begin{pmatrix} ct \\ x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \gamma \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -v/c \\ 0 & 1/\gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/\gamma & 0 \\ -v/c & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} ct \\ x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix},$$

as verified by

$$\begin{pmatrix} \gamma c \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \gamma v \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \gamma^2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 - v^2/c^2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\omega_0}{c} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \sin \theta_0 \\ 0 \\ -\cos \theta_0 \end{pmatrix} &= \gamma \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -v/c \\ 0 & 1/\gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/\gamma & 0 \\ -v/c & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \frac{\omega}{c} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \sin \theta \\ 0 \\ -\cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \gamma \frac{\omega}{c} \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \frac{v}{c} \cos \theta \\ \frac{1}{\gamma} \sin \theta \\ 0 \\ -\cos \theta - v/c \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

and, likewise,

$$\frac{\omega_0}{c} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \sin \theta_0 \\ 0 \\ \cos \theta_0 \end{pmatrix} = \gamma \frac{\omega'}{c} \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \frac{v}{c} \cos \theta' \\ \frac{1}{\gamma} \sin \theta' \\ 0 \\ \cos \theta' - v/c \end{pmatrix},$$

and upon equating the time components and

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the  $z$  components, we have

$$\omega \left(1 + \frac{v}{c} \cos \theta\right) = \omega' \left(1 - \frac{v}{c} \cos \theta'\right),$$

$$\omega \left(\cos \theta + \frac{v}{c}\right) = \omega' \left(\cos \theta' - \frac{v}{c}\right).$$

These imply

$$\omega' = \omega \gamma^2 \left[1 + \frac{2v}{c} \cos \theta + \left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2\right]$$

and  $\cos \theta' = \frac{\cos \theta + u}{1 + u \cos \theta}$  with  $u = \frac{2v/c}{1 + (v/c)^2}$ .

(b) When  $v/c \rightarrow 1$ , then  $\omega' \rightarrow \infty$  and  $\cos \theta' \rightarrow 1$ , or  $\theta' \rightarrow 0$ .

(c) When  $v = -c \cos \theta$ , then the mirror recedes at the speed by which the incoming light approaches the mirror, and there should then be no reflection, so that  $\omega' = \omega$  and  $\theta' = \pi - \theta$  is expected. This is also what the equations tell:

$$\omega' = \omega \frac{1}{1 - (v/c)^2} \left(1 - 2(v/c) \cos \theta + (v/c)^2\right) = \omega,$$

$$\cos \theta' = \frac{\cos \theta - \frac{2v \cos \theta}{1 + (v/c)^2}}{1 - \frac{2(v/c) \cos \theta}{1 + (v/c)^2}} = -\cos \theta = \cos(\pi - \theta),$$

indeed.

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(d) For  $\nu' = \frac{1}{2}\pi$ , we have  $\cos \nu' = 0$ , and this requires  $u = -\cos \nu$ , or

$$1 + 2 \frac{v/c}{\cos \nu} + (v/c)^2 = 0,$$

$$\text{solved by } \frac{v}{c} = -\frac{1}{\cos \nu} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{\cos \nu}\right)^2 - 1}$$

$$= -\frac{1 \mp \sin \nu}{\cos \nu} = -\frac{1 \mp \sin \nu}{\sqrt{(1 \mp \sin \nu)(1 \pm \sin \nu)}}$$

$$= -\sqrt{\frac{1 \mp \sin \nu}{1 \pm \sin \nu}},$$

where only the upper sign is physically possible, so that

$$v = -\sqrt{\frac{1 - \sin \nu}{1 + \sin \nu}} c = -\frac{1 - \sin \nu}{\cos \nu} c$$

is the answer.

[3] (a) Since  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j}(\vec{r}, t) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho(\vec{r}, t) = \dot{\vec{a}}(t) \cdot \vec{\nabla} \delta(\vec{r})$ ,

we have  $\vec{j}(\vec{r}, t) = \dot{\vec{a}}(t) \delta(\vec{r}) + \{\text{a curl, possibly}\}$ ,

but as parts (b) and (c) show, there is actually no need to add a curl of something.

(b) Without the extra curl:

$$\vec{\mu}(t) = \frac{1}{2c} \int (d\vec{r}) \vec{r} \times \dot{\vec{a}}(t) \delta(\vec{r}) = 0.$$

(c) Without the extra curl,

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$\int d\vec{r} \vec{j}(\vec{r}, t) = \dot{\vec{d}}(t)$ , as it should be, and the extra curl term would not matter here.

(d) It is

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{A}(\vec{r}, t) &= \int d\vec{r}' \int dt' \frac{\delta(t-t' - \frac{1}{c}|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|)}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|} \frac{1}{c} \dot{\vec{d}}(t') \delta(\vec{r}-\vec{r}') \\ &= \frac{1}{rc} \dot{\vec{d}}(t - r/c). \end{aligned}$$

[4] Larmor says:  $\frac{dP}{d\Omega}(t) = \frac{1}{4\pi c^3} |\vec{n} \times \ddot{\vec{d}}(t)|^2$

where  $\ddot{\vec{d}}(t) = \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{d}(t)) = -\omega^2 \vec{d}(t)$ ,

and  $|\vec{n} \times \vec{d}(t)|^2 = d(t)^2 - (\vec{n} \cdot \vec{d}(t))^2$

averaged over one period  $\rightarrow d^2 - \frac{1}{2} (\sin\theta)^2 d^2$ ,

so that

$$\frac{dP}{d\Omega} = \frac{\omega^4 d^2}{4\pi c^3} \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{2} (\sin\theta)^2 \right],$$

and the total power is

$$P = \frac{\omega^4 d^2}{c^3} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \right) = \frac{2}{3} \frac{\omega^4 d^2}{c^3},$$

which we get by integration over the solid angle of  $4\pi$ , or alternatively from

$$\frac{dP}{d\Omega} = \frac{2}{3c^3} |\ddot{\vec{d}}|^2.$$