

1. Use the definition of the electromagnetic field tensor to show, that

$$(F_{ki}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & E_x/c & E_y/c & E_z/c \\ -E_x/c & 0 & -B_z & B_y \\ -E_y/c & B_z & 0 & -B_x \\ -E_z/c & -B_y & B_x & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$(F^{ki}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -E_x/c & -E_y/c & -E_z/c \\ E_x/c & 0 & -B_z & B_y \\ E_y/c & B_z & 0 & -B_x \\ E_z/c & -B_y & B_x & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

2. Let's consider the the equation of motion

$$mc \frac{du_k}{ds} = e F_{ki} u^i. \quad (1)$$

Show that the spatial components of the equation 1 lead to equation of motion for 3-vectors

$$\frac{d\mathbf{p}}{dt} = e\mathbf{E} + e\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}$$

obtained earlier.

Show that the time-component of equation 1 gives the relation

$$\frac{dE_{kin}}{dt} = e\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{E}$$

also obtained earlier with different kind of derivation.

3. The results obtained in problem 1 show that the electric and magnetic field components are related to the components of the electromagnetic field tensor F^{ik} . So the transformation of these fields in the Lorentz transformation is determined by the transformation of the components of F^{ik} in the Lorentz transformation.

Let's consider a situation, where inertial coordinate frame K' is moving in x direction with velocity V relative to the inertial coordinate frame K . Show that

$$B_y = \frac{B'_y - \frac{V}{c^2} E'_z}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{V^2}{c^2}}},$$

where B_y is the magnetic field component in the coordinate frame K , and B'_y and E'_z are magnetic and electric field components in coordinate frame K' .

4. Show by direct calculation that

$$F^{ik} F_{ik} = -\frac{2}{c^2}(E^2 - c^2 B^2)$$

and

$$e^{iklm} F_{ik} F_{lm} = -\frac{8}{c} \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B}.$$