

Show all your work and indicate your reasoning in order to receive most credit.

1.
 - (a) A sailboat is manufactured so that the mast leans at an angle θ with respect to the deck. An observer standing on a dock sees the boat go by at speed v (See Fig. 12.14 in the textbook). What angle does this observer say the mast makes?
 - (b) A spotlight is mounted on a boat so that its beam makes an angle θ with the deck (See Fig. 12.20 in the textbook). If this boat is then set in motion at speed v , what angle does an observer on the dock say the beam makes with the deck?
 - (c) Compare answers in parts (a) and (b), and explain the difference if any.
2. A parallel-plate capacitor, at rest in reference frame S_0 and tilted at a 45° angle to the x axis, carries charge densities $\pm\sigma$ on the two plates (See Fig. 12.41 in the textbook). System S is moving to the right at speed v relative to S_0 .
 - (a) Find \vec{E}_0 , the field in S_0 .
 - (b) Find \vec{E} , the field in S .
 - (c) What angle do the plates make with the x axis? (Hint: use the result of Problem 1(a) above.)
 - (d) Is the field perpendicular to the plates in S ?
3. As you know, the magnetic north pole of the earth does not coincide with the geographic north pole – in fact, it's off by about 11° . Relative to the fixed axis of rotation, therefore, the magnetic dipole moment vector of the earth is changing with time, and the earth must be giving off magnetic dipole radiation.
 - (a) Find the formula for the total power radiated, in terms of the following parameters: Ψ , the angle between the geographic and magnetic north poles, M , the magnitude of the earth's magnetic dipole moment, and Ω , the angular velocity of rotation of the earth.
Hint: the power radiated by a magnetic dipole $\mathbf{m}(t)$ is

$$P = \frac{\mu_0 \ddot{\mathbf{m}}^2}{6\pi c^3}$$

- (b) Using the fact that the earth's magnetic field is about half a gauss at the equator, estimate the magnetic dipole moment M of the earth. For the purpose of solving this problem consider the earth to be a perfect sphere of radius $R = 6.4 \times 10^6$ m.
- (c) Find the power radiated.
- (d) Pulsars are thought to be rotating neutron stars, with a typical radius of 10 km, a rotational period of 10^{-3} s, and a surface magnetic field of 10^8 T. What sort of radiated power would you expect from such a star?