

Synchrotron Radiation

An Introduction

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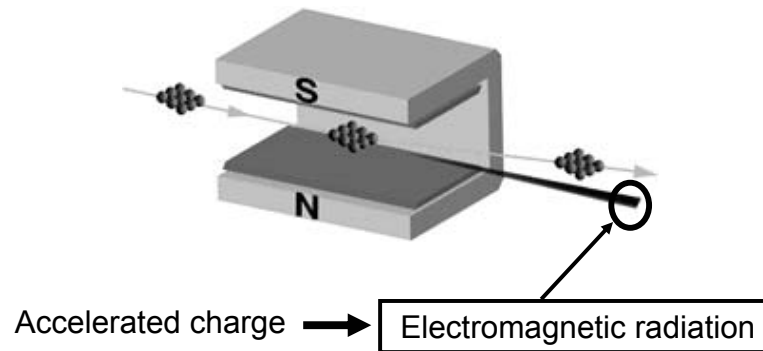
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Curved orbit of electrons in magnet field



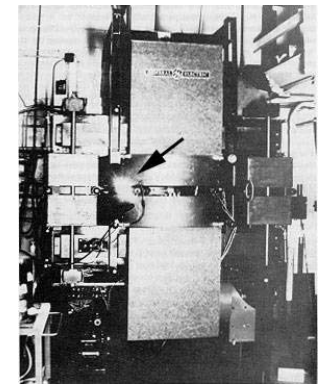
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Crab Nebula 6000 light years away



**First light observed
1054 AD**

GE Synchrotron New York State



**First light observed
1947**

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Maxwell equations (poetry)

*War es ein Gott, der diese Zeichen schrieb
Die mit geheimnisvoll verborg' nem Trieb
Die Kräfte der Natur um mich enthüllen
Und mir das Herz mit stiller Freude füllen.*

Ludwig Boltzman

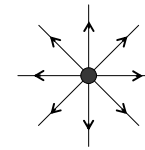
*Was it a God whose inspiration
Led him to write these fine equations
Nature's fields to me he shows
And so my heart with pleasure glows.*

translated by John P. Blewett

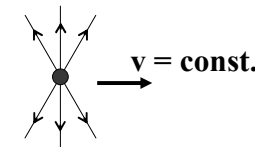
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Why do they radiate?

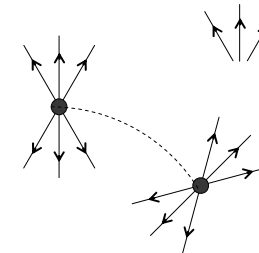
Charge at rest: Coulomb field



Uniformly moving charge

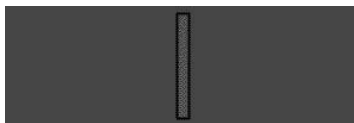


Accelerated charge



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Bremstrahlung



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1898 Liénard:

ELECTRIC AND MAGNETIC FIELDS PRODUCED BY A POINT CHARGE MOVING ON AN ARBITRARY PATH

(by means of retarded potentials)

L'Éclairage Électrique
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CHAMP ÉLECTRIQUE ET MAGNÉTIQUE
PRODUIT PAR UNE CHARGE ÉLECTRIQUE CONCENTRÉE EN UN POINT ET ANIMÉE D'UN MOUVEMENT QUELCONQUE

Admettons qu'une masse électrique en mouvement de densité ρ et de vitesse u en chaque point produit le même champ qu'un courant de conduction d'intensité $u\rho$. En conservant les notations d'un précédent article (*) nous obtiendrons pour déterminer le champ, les équations

$$\frac{1}{4\pi} \left(\frac{d^2 \phi}{dt^2} - \frac{d^2 \psi}{dt^2} \right) = \rho, \quad (1)$$

$$V \left(\frac{d\phi}{dt} - \frac{d\psi}{dt} \right) = - \frac{1}{c} \frac{d\alpha}{dt} \quad (2)$$

avec les analogues déduites par permutation tournante et en outre les suivantes

$$\nabla^2 \phi = \frac{d^2 \alpha}{dt^2} + \frac{d^2 \beta}{dt^2} \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{d\alpha}{dt} + \frac{d\beta}{dt} + \frac{d\gamma}{dt} = 0. \quad (4)$$

De ce système d'équations on déduit facilement les relations

$$\left(V^2 - \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \right) \psi = V^2 \frac{d\alpha}{dt} + \frac{d^2 \beta}{dt^2} \quad (5)$$

$$\left(V^2 - \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \right) \alpha = 4\pi V^2 \left[\frac{d}{dt} (\rho u_x) - \frac{d^2 \rho}{dt^2} \right] \quad (6)$$

(*) La thèse de Lorentz, *L'Éclairage Électrique*, t. XIV, p. 417, n. 3, 7, avec les composantes de la force magnétique et ρ, u , en lieu de déplacement dans l'éther.

Soient maintenant quatre fonctions $\phi, \psi, \alpha, \beta$, H définies par les conditions

$$\left(V^2 - \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \right) \phi = - 4\pi \rho, \quad (7)$$

$$\left(V^2 - \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \right) \psi = - 4\pi V^2 \rho u_x, \quad (8)$$

$$\left(V^2 - \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \right) \alpha = - 4\pi \rho u_x, \quad (9)$$

$$\left(V^2 - \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \right) \beta = - 4\pi V^2 \rho u_y, \quad (10)$$

On satisfera aux conditions (5) et (6) en prenant

$$\psi = \frac{d\alpha}{dt} - \frac{d\beta}{dt} - \frac{d\gamma}{dt} \quad (11)$$

$$\alpha = \frac{d\beta}{dt} - \frac{d\gamma}{dt} \quad (12)$$

Quant aux équations (1) à (4), pour qu'elles soient satisfaites, il faudra que, en plus de (7) et (8), on ait la condition

$$\frac{d^2 \alpha}{dt^2} + \frac{d^2 \beta}{dt^2} + \frac{d^2 \gamma}{dt^2} = 0. \quad (13)$$

Occupons-nous d'abord de l'équation (7). On sait que la solution la plus générale est la suivante :

$$\phi = \int \frac{\rho(\xi, \eta, \zeta, t - r/c)}{r} dV, \quad (14)$$

Fig. 1. First page of Liénard's 1898 paper.

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Liénard-Wiechert potentials

$$\varphi(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{[r(1 - \vec{n} \cdot \vec{\beta})]_{ret}} \quad \vec{A}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 c^2} \left[\frac{\vec{v}}{r(1 - \vec{n} \cdot \vec{\beta})} \right]_{ret}$$

and the electromagnetic fields:

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{A} + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} = 0 \quad (\text{Lorentz gauge})$$

$$\vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A} \quad \vec{E} = -\nabla \varphi - \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t}$$

$\beta \equiv v/c$

$\gamma \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}}$

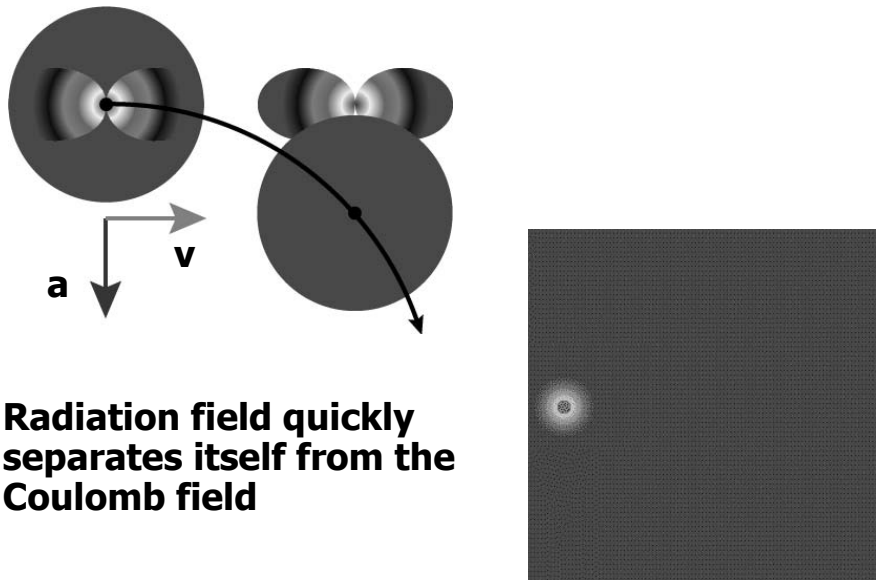
Fields of a moving charge

$$\vec{E}(t) = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{\vec{n} - \vec{\beta}}{(1 - \vec{n} \cdot \vec{\beta})^3 \gamma^2} \cdot \frac{1}{r^2} \right]_{ret} +$$

$$\frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 c} \left[\frac{\vec{n} \times [(\vec{n} - \vec{\beta}) \times \vec{\beta}]}{(1 - \vec{n} \cdot \vec{\beta})^3 \gamma^2} \cdot \frac{1}{r} \right]_{ret}$$

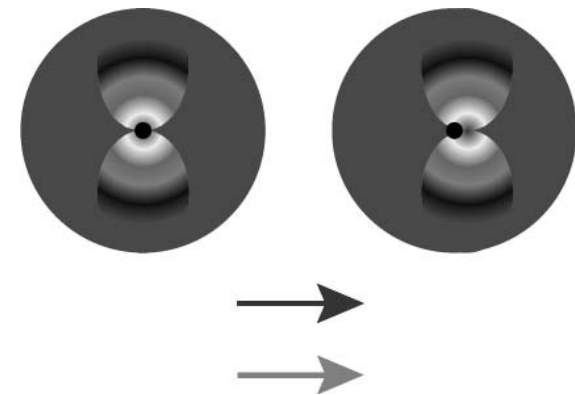
$$\vec{B}(t) = \frac{1}{c} [\vec{n} \times \vec{E}]$$

Transverse acceleration



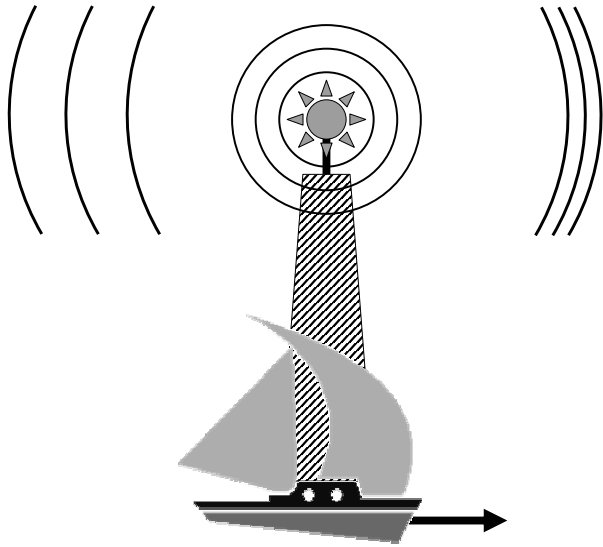
Radiation field quickly separates itself from the Coulomb field

Longitudinal acceleration



Radiation field cannot separate itself from the Coulomb field

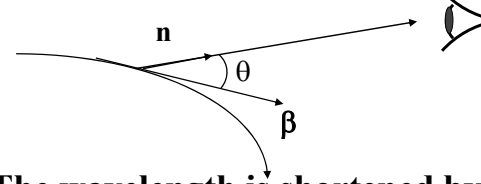
Moving Source of Waves



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Time compression

Electron with velocity β emits a wave with period T_{emit} while the observer sees a different period T_{obs} because the electron was moving towards the observer



$$T_{obs} = (1 - \mathbf{n} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta}) T_{emit}$$

The wavelength is shortened by the same factor

$$\lambda_{obs} = (1 - \beta \cos \theta) \lambda_{emit}$$

in ultra-relativistic case, looking along a tangent to the trajectory

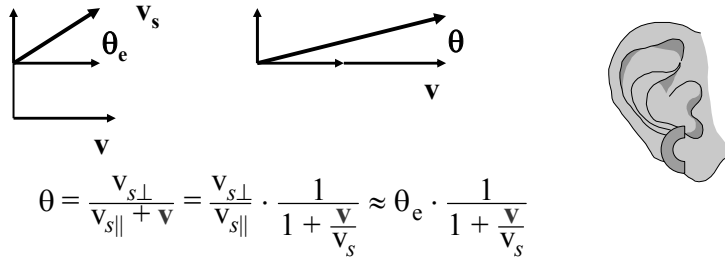
$$\lambda_{obs} = \frac{1}{2\gamma^2} \lambda_{emit}$$

since $1 - \beta = \frac{1 - \beta^2}{1 + \beta} \approx \frac{1}{2\gamma^2}$

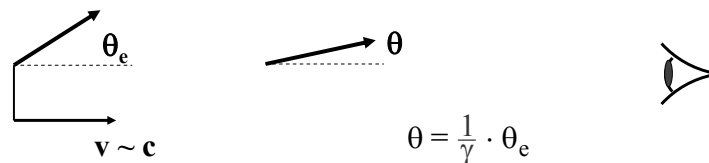
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Angular Collimation

Galileo: sound waves $v_s = 331 \text{ m/s}$

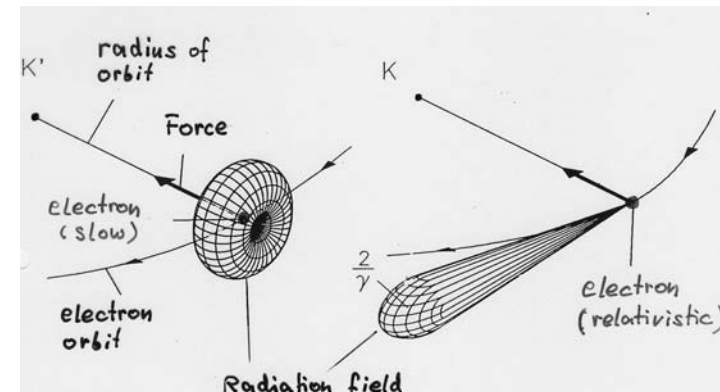


Lorentz: speed of light $c = 3 \cdot 10^8 \text{ m/s}$



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Radiation is emitted into a narrow cone



$v \ll c$

$v \approx c$

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Typical frequency of synchrotron light

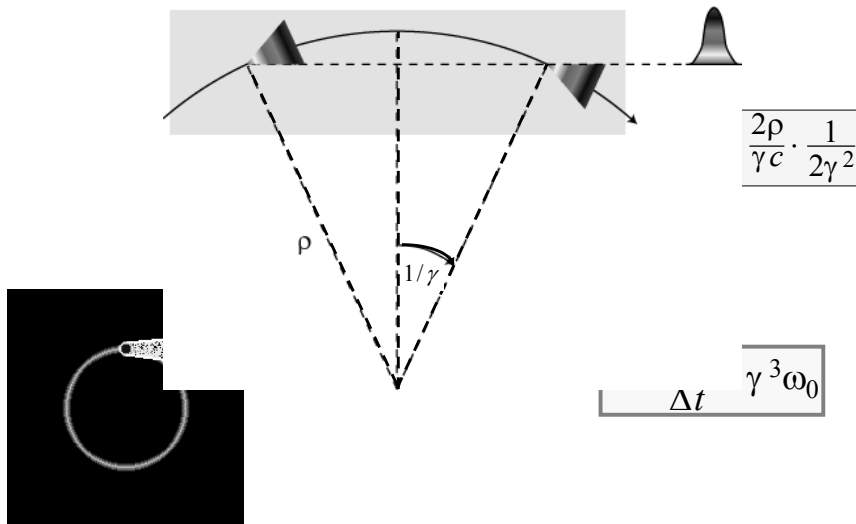
Due to extreme collimation of light

- observer sees only a small portion of electron trajectory (**a few mm**)

$$l \sim \frac{2\rho}{\gamma}$$

- Pulse length: difference in times it takes an electron and a photon to cover this distance

$$\Delta t \sim \frac{l}{\beta c} - \frac{l}{c} = \frac{l}{\beta c}(1 - \beta)$$



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Synchrotron radiation power

Power emitted is proportional to:

$$P \propto E^2 B^2$$

$$P_{\text{SR}} = \frac{cC_\gamma}{2\pi} \cdot \frac{E^4}{\rho^2}$$

$$P_{\text{SR}} = \frac{2}{3} \alpha \hbar c^2 \frac{\gamma^4}{\rho^2}$$

$$C_\gamma = \frac{4\pi}{3} \frac{r_e}{(m_e c^2)^3} = 8.858 \cdot 10^{-5} \left[\frac{\text{m}}{\text{GeV}^3} \right]$$

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{137}$$

Energy loss per turn:

$$\hbar c = 197 \text{ MeV} \cdot \text{fm}$$

$$U_0 = C_\gamma \cdot \frac{E^4}{\rho}$$

$$U_0 = \frac{4\pi}{3} \alpha \hbar c \frac{\gamma^4}{\rho}$$

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The power is all too real!

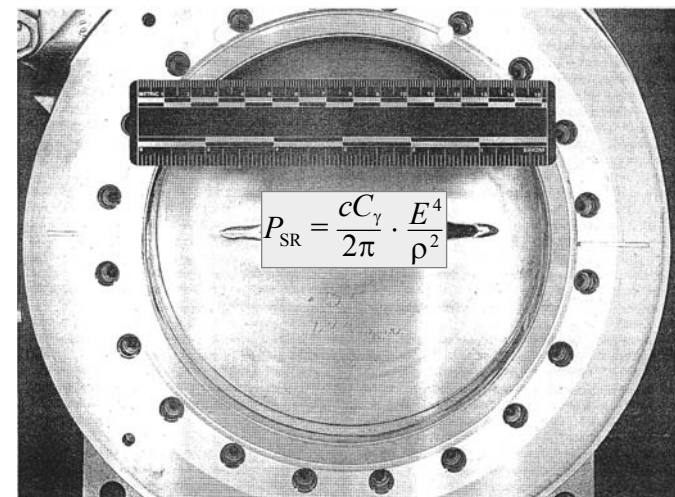
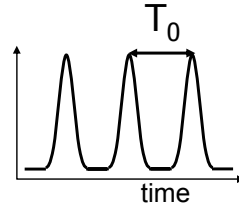


Fig. 12. Damaged X-ray ring front end gate valve. The power incident on the valve was approximately 1 kW for a duration estimated to 2–10 min and drilled a hole through the valve plate.

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Spectrum of synchrotron radiation

• Synchrotron light comes in a series of flashes every T_0 (revolution period)



• the spectrum consists of harmonics of

$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{T_0}$$

• flashes are extremely short: harmonics reach up to very high frequencies

$$\omega_{typ} \cong \gamma^3 \omega_0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_0 &\sim 1 \text{ MHz} \\ \gamma &\sim 4000 \\ \omega_{typ} &\sim 10^{16} \text{ Hz!} \end{aligned}$$

• At high frequencies the individual harmonics overlap

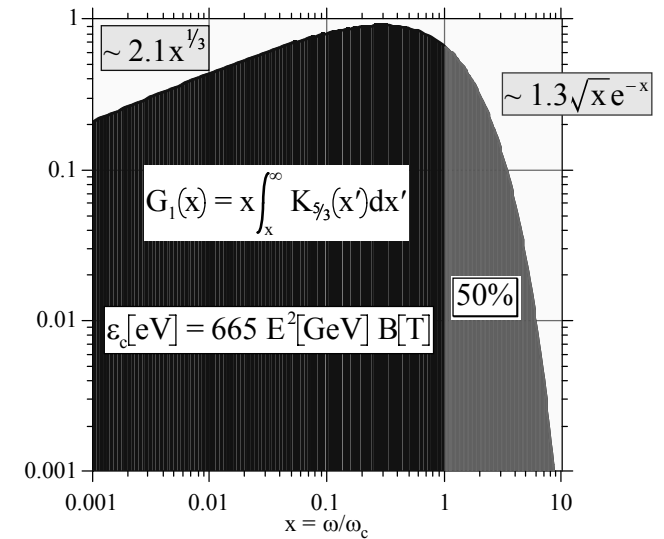
continuous spectrum !

$$\frac{dP}{d\omega} = \frac{P_{tot}}{\omega_c} S\left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_c}\right)$$

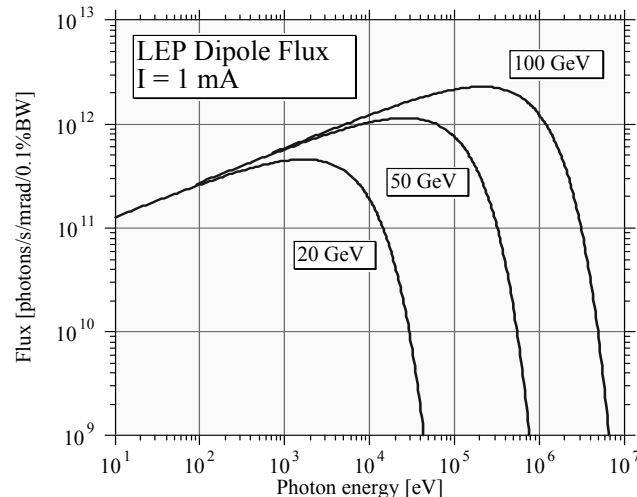
$$S(x) = \frac{9\sqrt{3}}{8\pi} x \int_x^\infty K_{5/3}(x') dx' \quad \int_0^\infty S(x') dx' = 1$$

$$P_{tot} = \frac{2}{3} \hbar c^2 \alpha \frac{\gamma^4}{\rho^2}$$

$$\omega_c = \frac{3c\gamma^3}{2\rho}$$



Synchrotron radiation flux for different LEP energies



$$\text{Flux} \left[\frac{\text{photons}}{\text{s} \cdot \text{mrad} \cdot 0.1\% \text{BW}} \right] = 2.46 \cdot 10^{13} E [\text{GeV}] I [\text{A}] G_1(x)$$

Angular divergence of radiation

The rms opening angle R'

• at the critical frequency: $\omega = \omega_c \quad R' \approx \frac{0.54}{\gamma}$

• well below $\omega \ll \omega_c \quad R' \approx \frac{1}{\gamma} \left(\frac{\omega_c}{\omega} \right)^{1/3} \approx 0.4 \left(\frac{\lambda}{\rho} \right)^{1/3}$

independent of γ !

• well above $\omega \gg \omega_c \quad R' \approx \frac{0.6}{\gamma} \left(\frac{\omega_c}{\omega} \right)^{1/2}$