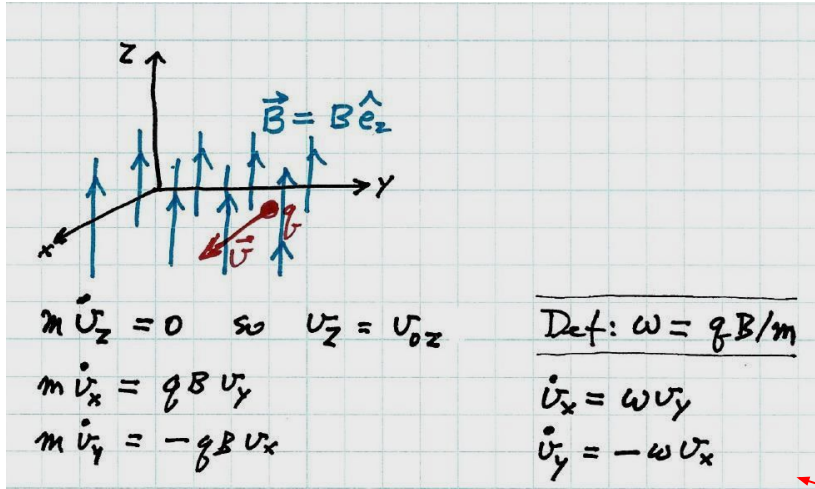


Section 2.7

Solution for a charge q
in a magnetic field \mathbf{B} .

Read Section 2.7.

Recall Monday's lecture



η

Define a complex variable η by

$$\eta = v_x + i v_y$$

Now note that

$$\dot{\eta} = -i \omega \eta \quad (\text{verify it!})$$

The general solution of the equation of motion is $\eta(t) = A e^{-i \omega t}$.

We must allow for A to be complex; write $A = a e^{i \delta}$.

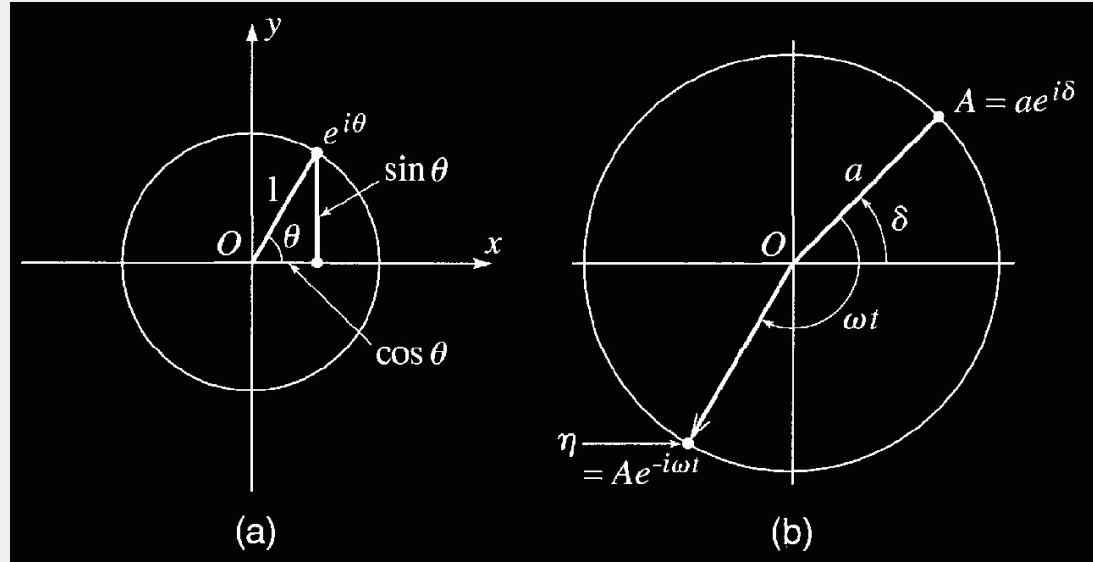
Then

$$v_x = \text{Re } \eta = a \cos(\omega t - \delta)$$

$$v_y = \text{Im } \eta = -a \sin(\omega t - \delta)$$

consistent

Figure 2.14 : The transverse velocity components



(a) Illustrates Euler's equation : $e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$

(b) $\eta = A \exp(-i \omega t)$ and $A = a \exp(i \delta)$;

$\eta(t)$ rotates clockwise

The trajectory ; *coordinates vs time*

The transverse motion of a positive charge q in magnetic field $\mathbf{B} = B \mathbf{e}_z \dots$

$$\text{Define } \xi = x + iy$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \dot{\xi} &= \dot{x} + i\dot{y} \\ &= v_x + i v_y = \eta \end{aligned}$$

$$\eta = A e^{-i\omega t} \Rightarrow \xi = \frac{A}{-i\omega} e^{-i\omega t} + \text{constant}$$

Or, write

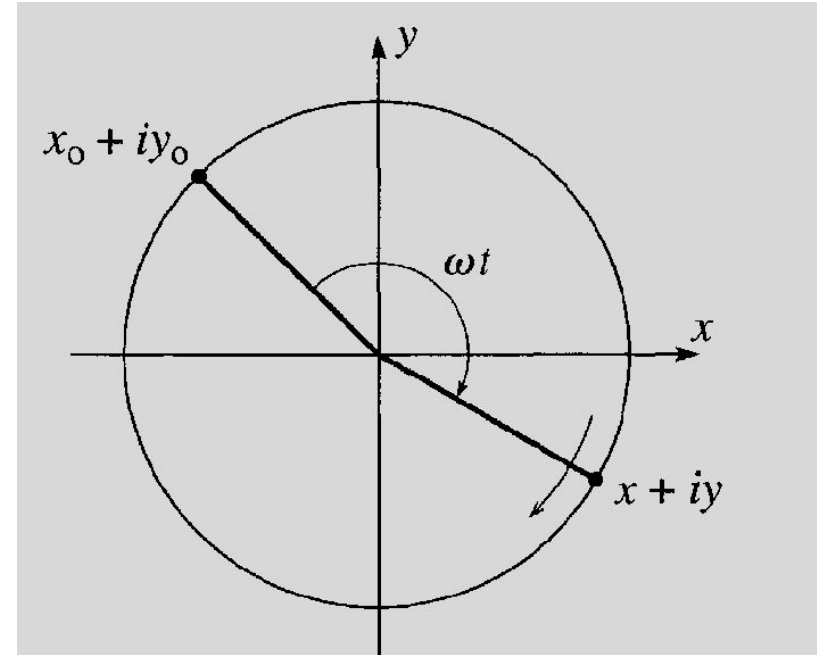
$$\xi = C e^{-i\omega t} + a + ib$$

W.L.O.G. set $a=0$ and $b=0$.

$$\text{Then } x_0 + iy_0 = C \quad (\text{initial values})$$

$$\begin{aligned} x + iy &= (x_0 + iy_0) (\cos \omega t - i \sin \omega t) \\ &= x_0 \cos \omega t + y_0 \sin \omega t \\ &\quad + i (y_0 \cos \omega t - x_0 \sin \omega t) \end{aligned}$$

Figure 2.15



$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= x_0 \cos \omega t + y_0 \sin \omega t \\ y(t) &= y_0 \cos \omega t - x_0 \sin \omega t \\ x^2 + y^2 &= x_0^2 + y_0^2 \end{aligned}$$

The trajectory is a circle traversed clockwise (for $q > 0$).

In 3 dimensions, the general trajectory is a cylindrical helix.

Consider $y_0 = 0$.

Then

$$z(t) = v_{0z} t$$

$$x(t) = x_0 \cos(\omega t)$$

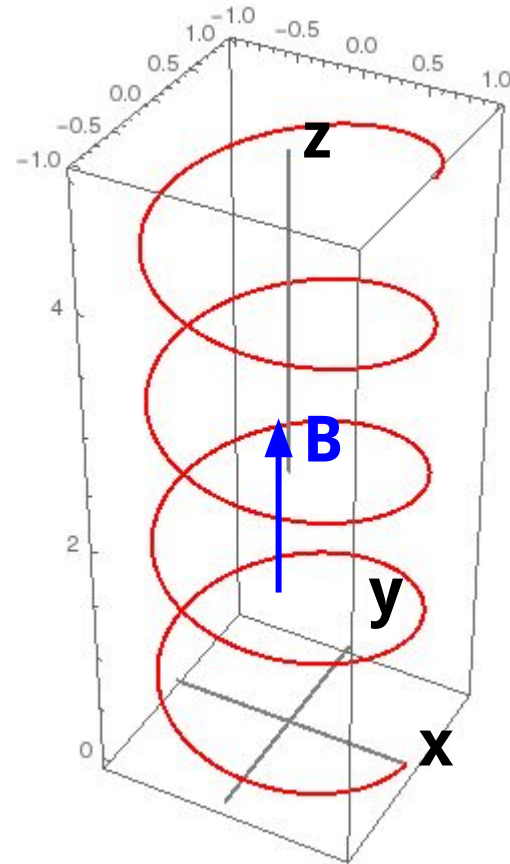
$$y(t) = -x_0 \sin(\omega t)$$

Radius $R = x_0$

Period $T = 2\pi / \omega$

where $\omega = qB/m$

Direction = clockwise in xy plane for positive q .



Test your understanding of magnetism:
Verify the direction from $\mathbf{F} = q \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}$!

IN CLASS WORK
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2 PROBLEMS

- Homework Assignment #4
due in class Wednesday Sept. 27
- [17] Problem 2.23 *
 - [18] Problem 2.31 **
 - [19] Problem 2.41 **
 - [20] Problem 2.53 *
 - [21] Problem 2.43 *** [computer]
 - [22] Graph of $f_n(x)$.

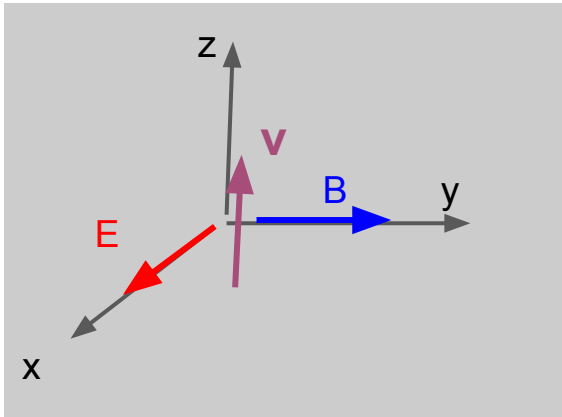
Use the cover sheet!

Wednesday Quiz

Assume: The electric field points in the x direction, and the magnetic field points in the y direction.

Assume: A positive charge is located at the origin, and is moving in the z direction.

What is the direction of the acceleration? There are two possibilities which you should identify.



$$\mathbf{F} = qE_0 \mathbf{e}_x - qvB_0 \mathbf{e}_x$$

$$\mathbf{F} = q (E_0 - vB_0) \mathbf{e}_x$$

- if $v < E_0/B_0$ then $\mathbf{a} \sim \mathbf{e}_x$
- if $v > E_0/B_0$ then $\mathbf{a} \sim -\mathbf{e}_x$