

14.11 (a) From Eqs. (12.1) and (12.2), we know

$$\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = ze \left(\vec{E} + \frac{\vec{v}}{c} \times \vec{B} \right), \quad \frac{dE}{dt} = ze \vec{v} \cdot \vec{E}.$$

Notice that $p^\mu = (E/c, \vec{p})$, Eq. (14.34) can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} P &= -\frac{2}{3} \frac{ze^2}{m^2 c^3} \frac{dp_\mu}{dt} \frac{dp^\mu}{dt} = -\frac{2}{3} \frac{ze^2}{m^2 c^3} \gamma^2 \frac{dp_\mu}{dt} \frac{dp^\mu}{dt} \\ &= -\frac{2}{3} \frac{ze^2}{m^2 c^3} \gamma^2 \cdot ze^2 \left(\left(\frac{\vec{v}}{c} \cdot \vec{E} \right)^2 - \left(\vec{E} + \frac{\vec{v}}{c} \times \vec{B} \right)^2 \right) \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \frac{ze^4}{m^2 c^3} \gamma^2 \left[\left(\vec{E} + \vec{\beta} \times \vec{B} \right)^2 - \left(\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{E} \right)^2 \right] \end{aligned}$$

(b) We can also write the result in part (a) as

$$P = \frac{2}{3} \frac{ze^4}{m^2 c^5} (\gamma mc)^2 \left[\left(\vec{E} + \vec{\beta} \times \vec{B} \right)^2 - \left(\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{E} \right)^2 \right] = \frac{2}{3} \frac{ze^4 r_0^2}{m^2 c} \left[\left(p^0 \vec{E} + \vec{p} \times \vec{B} \right)^2 - \left(\vec{p} \cdot \vec{E} \right)^2 \right]$$

Since

$$F^{\alpha\beta} p_\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -E_x & -E_y & -E_z \\ E_x & 0 & -B_z & B_y \\ E_y & B_z & 0 & -B_x \\ E_z & -B_y & B_x & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p^0 \\ -p_x \\ -p_y \\ -p_z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{p} \cdot \vec{E} \\ p^0 E_x + (\vec{p} \times \vec{B})_x \\ p^0 E_y + (\vec{p} \times \vec{B})_y \\ p^0 E_z + (\vec{p} \times \vec{B})_z \end{pmatrix},$$

then it is obvious that

$$g_{\alpha\mu} F^{\alpha\beta} p_\beta F^{\mu\nu} p_\nu = \left(\vec{p} \cdot \vec{E} \right)^2 - \left(p^0 \vec{E} + \vec{p} \times \vec{B} \right)^2.$$

The above identity can also be written as $F^{\alpha\beta} p_\beta F_{\alpha\nu} p^\nu$. Using the anti-symmetry of the field strength tensor, $F^{\alpha\beta} = -F^{\beta\alpha}$, we will arrive at the desired result

$$P = \frac{2ze^4 r_0^2}{3m^2 c} \bar{F}^{\mu\nu} p_\nu p^\lambda F_{\lambda\mu}.$$