

Problem 5

In principle there are two terms giving a force in the θ direction:

$$F_{\theta} = q v_r B_z (\hat{r} \times \hat{z}) + q v_z B_r (\hat{z} \times \hat{r})$$

v_r is the ^{rate of} change in Larmor radius - very small by comparison

$$F_{\theta} \approx q v_z B_r \hat{\theta} = q v_z \left(-\frac{1}{2} r_L \frac{\partial B_z}{\partial z}\right)$$

Leading to $\frac{dv_{\perp}}{dt} = \frac{d|v_{\perp}|}{dt} = +\frac{q}{m} v_z \frac{1}{2} r_L \frac{\partial B_z}{\partial z}$

This is consistent with $\frac{d\mu}{dt} = 0$

$$\frac{d}{dt} (\mu B) = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{1}{2} m v_{\perp}^2\right)$$

$$\frac{d\mu}{dt} B + \underbrace{v_{\parallel} \frac{\partial B}{\partial z}}_{\frac{dB}{dt}} \mu = m v_{\perp} \frac{dv_{\perp}}{dt} = m v_{\perp} \frac{q}{m} v_{\parallel} \frac{1}{2} r_L \frac{\partial B_z}{\partial z}$$

$$\frac{d\mu}{dt} B + v_{\parallel} \frac{\partial B}{\partial z} \mu = v_{\parallel} \frac{\partial B}{\partial z} \frac{\frac{1}{2} m v_{\perp}^2}{B}$$

$$\frac{d\mu}{dt} B = 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{d\mu}{dt} = 0$$

QED