## Problem 1 (10 points)

Consider a particle moving in the (x, y)-plane in an electromagnetic field with the Lagrangian

$$L = \frac{1}{2}m\dot{r}^2 - e\left(\phi - \dot{r} \cdot A\right)$$

Consider the case of a uniform magnetic field in z-direction,  $B = (0, 0, B_z)$ 

- 1. Find the vector potential A
- 2. Find the Hamiltionian H and write down Hamilton's equations.
- 3. Show by solving the equations of motion that the particle moves in circles with the frequency  $\omega$ . Find  $\omega$ .

## Problem 2 (10 points)

Prove Liouville's Theorem for a 2n-dimensional Hamiltonian system. For this puropose, consider the transform

$$\tilde{q}_i = q_i + \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_i} dt, \qquad \tilde{p}_i = p_i - \frac{\partial H}{\partial q_i} dt$$

and show that for

$$dV = d\tilde{q}_1 ... \tilde{q}_n d\tilde{p}_1 ... \tilde{p}_n = \det(J) dV$$

the determinant of the Jacobian J is given by  $\det(J) = 1 + \mathcal{O}(dt^2)$ . Hint: Show first  $\det(1 + \epsilon M) = 1 + \epsilon \operatorname{tr}(M) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$ .

## Problem 3 (10 points)

A mass *m* is moving under the influence of  $\vec{F}(\vec{r}) = -k\vec{r}$  (k > 0) on the surface of a cylinder with a fixed radius *R*. The cylinder's symmetry axis goes through the origin.

- 1. Find the Lagrange function in cylindrical coordinates. Use a Legendre transformation to find the Hamilton function.
- 2. Find Hamilton's equations and solve them for arbitrary initial conditions.