

D. Maxwell's Equations (Jackson Chapt. VI)

Maxwell realized that Ampere's law cannot be correct in general, since $\nabla \cdot \vec{j} = 0$ only applies to steady current, but not to time-dependent currents.

$$\text{from } \nabla \times \vec{H} = \vec{j} \Rightarrow \nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{H}) = 0 = \nabla \cdot \vec{j} = -\dot{\rho}$$

\Rightarrow We need a generalized field equation!

From Poisson equ. $\nabla \cdot \vec{D} = \rho$

and
continuity equ. $\dot{\rho} + \nabla \cdot \vec{j} = 0$

follows $\nabla \cdot \dot{\vec{D}} = \dot{\rho} = -\nabla \cdot \vec{j}$ or $\nabla \cdot (\dot{\vec{D}} + \vec{j}) = 0$

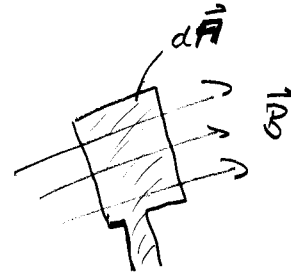
which mean that in the non-stationary case a "displacement current" $\frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t}$ is added to the current charge density \vec{j} !

The general field equation becomes

$$\nabla \times \vec{H} = \dot{\vec{D}} + \vec{j} \quad \text{'Maxwell - Ampere' law}$$

D.1. Faraday's law of Induction

The magnetic flux Φ generated by a magn. flux density \vec{B} through an area A is defined as



$$\Phi = \int_F \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{A}$$

If we assume a conductor loop enclosing the area F , the induced voltage U is

$$U_{\text{ind}} = - \frac{d\Phi}{dt} \quad \text{or} \quad = - N \frac{d\Phi}{dt}$$

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 # of conductor loops

The time-dependent change in the flux Φ can be accomplished by either both, varying the magn. flux density \vec{B} , or changing the enclosed area F .

(a) assume we fix the area F :

from $U = \int_S \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{r}$ [remember $\vec{E} = -\nabla\phi$
 $U_{\text{ind}} = -\frac{d\phi}{dt}$

follows

$$U_{\text{ind}} = \int_{\partial F} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{r} = -\frac{d}{dt} \int_F \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{A} = - \int_F \dot{\vec{B}} \cdot d\vec{A}$$

|| (Stoke's theorem)

$$\int_F (\nabla \times \vec{E}) \cdot d\vec{A}$$

\Rightarrow

$$\Rightarrow \int_F (\nabla \times \vec{E}) \cdot d\vec{A} = - \int_F \dot{\vec{B}} \cdot d\vec{A}$$

$$\text{or } \int_F \left[\nabla \times \vec{E} + \frac{d\vec{B}}{dt} \right] \cdot d\vec{A} = 0$$

Since integral has to vanish for any fixed area F , we get

$$\boxed{\nabla \times \vec{E} = - \dot{\vec{B}}}$$

differential form of
Faraday's law of induction.

D.2. Maxwell's equation in matter

So far we derived four field equations and three materials equations - which all together - are denoted as Maxwell's equations:

a) Divergences of \vec{E} and \vec{H} :

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = - \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \quad - \text{Faraday's law}$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{H} = \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} + \vec{J} \quad - \text{Ampere-Maxwell equ.}$$

b) Sources of \vec{D} and \vec{B} :

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot \vec{D} &= \rho & - \text{Poisson equ.} \\ \nabla \cdot \vec{B} &= 0 & \text{(Coulomb law)} \end{aligned}$$

c.) Materials equations:

$$\vec{D} = \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P} = \epsilon_r \epsilon_0 \vec{E} \quad (\vec{P} = \epsilon_0 \chi \vec{E}, \chi: \text{tensor})$$

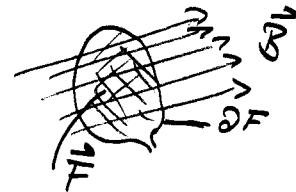
$$\vec{B} = \mu_0 (\vec{H} + \vec{M}) \quad (\vec{M} = \gamma \vec{H}, \gamma: \text{tensor})$$

$$\vec{J} = \sigma \cdot \vec{E} \quad (\sigma_{ij} - \text{tensor!}) \quad \Rightarrow$$

Next to the differential form of Maxwell's equation, we have the integral form of the equation, which are more general since they also describe the effects of timely-variable surface areas.

Faraday's law

$$\oint_{\partial F} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{r} = - \frac{d}{dt} \int_F \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{A}$$



Ampere-Maxwell

$$\oint_{\partial F} \vec{H} \cdot d\vec{r} = \frac{d}{dt} \int_F \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{A} + \int_F \vec{j} \cdot d\vec{A}$$

Gauss's law

$$\oint_S \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{a} = Q = \int_V \rho(\vec{r}') d\vec{r}'$$

Looking at the Maxwell's equation - note that they are not symmetric regarding \vec{E} and \vec{H} .

The reason is that we have electrical monopoles - but no magnetic monopoles.

→ To the electrical charge density ρ - there exist no analogue magnetic charge density!

D.3 Vector potential

In electro-statics we had: $\nabla \times \vec{E} = 0$ - from which followed the existence of a scalar potential ϕ

$$\text{with } \vec{E} = -\nabla\phi \quad \text{or } \mathcal{D} = -\epsilon \nabla\phi$$

ϕ : = source potential

In magneto-static we introduced the vector potential \vec{A}_0 .

If the vector potential $\vec{A} = A(\vec{r}, t)$ satisfies $\vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A}$,

than the source equation

$$\boxed{\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0 = \nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{A})}$$

\vec{A} : = vortex potential

is automatically fulfilled.

→ If the magnetic flux density \vec{B} is given through the vector potential \vec{A} , we do not need the equation $\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$.

The Faraday's law of induction can be rewritten as

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{d\vec{B}}{dt} = -\frac{d}{dt}(\nabla \times \vec{A})$$

$$\rightarrow \nabla \times \vec{E} + \nabla \times \frac{d\vec{A}}{dt} = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \boxed{\nabla \times (\vec{E} + \dot{\vec{A}}) = 0}$$

which means, for the function $(\vec{E} + \dot{\vec{A}})$ there exist a scalar Potential $\varphi(\vec{r}, t)$ with

$$\boxed{\vec{E} + \dot{\vec{A}} = -\nabla\varphi}$$

(see electro-statics
 $\nabla \times \vec{E} = 0$
 ...)

\rightarrow The magnetic flux density \vec{B} and the electric field \vec{E} can be expressed with help of the vector potential \vec{A} :

$$\vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A}$$

and

$$\vec{E} = -\dot{\vec{A}} - \nabla \varphi$$

which automatically fulfill the equations $\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$ and $\nabla \times (\vec{E} + \dot{\vec{B}}) = 0$.

Problem:

For a given charge density $\rho(\vec{r}, t)$ and current density $\vec{j}(\vec{r}, t)$ - find the associated fields \vec{B} and \vec{E} .

Assume a homogeneous and isotropic medium with $\epsilon_r = \text{const.}$ and $\mu_r = \text{constant.}$

The fields can be found from the inhomogeneous DE

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{D} = \rho \quad (\text{Poisson-Equ.})$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{H} = \frac{d\vec{D}}{dt} + \vec{j} \quad (\text{Maxwell-Ampere})$$

Before we can determine the fields \vec{E} and \vec{B} , we have to check whether the 4 potentials $\vec{A} = (A_x, A_y, A_z)$ and φ provide a unique solution of the fields.

(i) From 'Maxwell-Ampere' equ. follows

$$\nabla \times \vec{H} = \dot{\vec{D}} + \vec{j} \Rightarrow \mu(\nabla \times \vec{H}) = \nabla \times \vec{B} = \nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{A}) = \mu(\dot{\vec{D}} + \vec{j}) \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} \leadsto \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) - \Delta \vec{A} &= \epsilon \cdot \mu \ddot{\vec{E}} + \mu \cdot \dot{\vec{j}} \\ &\downarrow \\ &= -\epsilon \mu \ddot{\vec{A}} - \epsilon \mu \nabla \dot{\varphi} + \mu \cdot \dot{\vec{j}} \end{aligned}$$

Now use the relations $\frac{1}{v^2} := \epsilon \cdot \mu = \epsilon_r \cdot \mu_r \cdot \epsilon_0 \cdot \mu_0 = \frac{\epsilon_r \cdot \mu_r}{c^2} = \frac{n^2}{c^2}$

with $n = \sqrt{\epsilon_r \cdot \mu_r}$ = refractive index

to get:

$$\left[\frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - \Delta \right] \vec{A} + \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{A} + \frac{1}{v^2} \dot{\varphi}) = \mu \cdot \dot{\vec{j}}$$

Maxwell - Ampere Equ.
expressed in the potentials.

(ii) From Poisson equation follows

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{D} = \rho = \epsilon \nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \epsilon \nabla \cdot (-\vec{A} - \nabla \varphi) = -\epsilon \nabla \cdot \vec{A} - \epsilon \Delta \varphi$$

$$\leadsto \rho(\vec{r}, t) = \epsilon \cdot \left[\frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - \Delta \right] \varphi - \epsilon \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \cdot \vec{A} + \frac{1}{v^2} \dot{\varphi})$$

Since for the vector potential \vec{A} only the vertices are fixed through $\nabla \times \vec{A} = \vec{B}$ but not the source $(\nabla \cdot \vec{A})$, we can freely choose

$$\boxed{\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = -\frac{1}{v^2} \dot{\varphi}} \quad \underline{\text{"Lorentz gauge"}}$$

\hookrightarrow With this, the Maxwell - Ampere and Poisson equation \Rightarrow

Simplify to the inhomogeneous wave equations

$$\left(\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - \Delta\right) \vec{A} = \mu \vec{j} \quad \text{"Maxwell-Ampere"}$$

and $\left(\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - \Delta\right) \varphi = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \rho(\vec{r}, t)$ "Poisson" Equation including Lorentz gauge

Since $\rho(\vec{r}, t)$ and $\vec{j}(\vec{r}, t)$ are given, \vec{A} and φ can be found as a solution of the inhomogeneous DE.

Solution of the homogeneous DE can be added as long as they do not violate the "Lorentz-gauge".

In addition the choice of ρ and \vec{j} have to satisfy the continuity equation

$$\dot{\rho} + \nabla \cdot \vec{j} = 0$$

$$\dot{\rho} + \nabla \cdot \vec{j} = 0 = \left(\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - \Delta\right) \epsilon \dot{\varphi} + \left(\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - \Delta\right) \frac{1}{\mu} \nabla \cdot \vec{A}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - \Delta\right) \cdot \frac{1}{\mu} \underbrace{\left(\nabla \cdot \vec{A} + \epsilon \mu \dot{\varphi}\right)}$$

= 0 through

"Lorentz gauge"

convention

D.4 Gauge invariance and gauge choice

The two homogeneous Maxwell equations:

$$\boxed{\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0} \quad \text{and} \quad \boxed{\nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}}$$

are automatically satisfied if we choose

$$\vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A}$$

$$\vec{E} = -\nabla \phi - \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t}$$

for arbitrary \vec{A} and ϕ .

The Poisson equ. $\nabla \cdot E = \rho/\epsilon_0$ and Maxwell-Ampere equ.

$$\nabla \times \vec{H} = \frac{d\vec{D}}{dt} + \vec{J} \quad \text{become}$$

$$\rho(\vec{r}, t) = \epsilon \left[\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - \Delta \right] \phi - \epsilon \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \cdot \vec{A} + \frac{1}{c^2} \dot{\phi})$$

$$\mu \cdot \vec{J} = \left[\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - \Delta \right] \vec{A} + \nabla (\nabla \cdot \vec{A} + \frac{1}{c^2} \dot{\phi})$$

a.) Lorentz gauge: $\nabla \cdot \vec{A} + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} = 0$

b.) Coulomb gauge: $\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = 0$

(a) Lorentz gauge is invariant for a gauge transformation

$$\vec{A}' = \vec{A} + \nabla \Lambda$$

$$\phi' = \phi - \frac{\partial \Lambda}{\partial t}$$

under the condition: $\left[\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - \Delta \right] \Lambda = 0$

\Rightarrow

which means that Λ is a solution of the homogeneous wave equation.

Proof: put \vec{A}' and ϕ' in Lorentz gauge convention!

Since Λ and with it $\partial\Lambda/\partial t$ and $\nabla\Lambda$ are solutions of the wave-equation, the modified potentials \vec{A}' and ϕ' are again solutions of the inhomogeneous wave DE.

In addition, the Lorentz-gauge does not modify the fields \vec{B} and \vec{E} :

From $\vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A}$

follows

$$\nabla \times (\vec{A} + \nabla \Lambda) = \nabla \times \vec{A} + \nabla \times \nabla \Lambda = \nabla \times \vec{A} = \vec{B}$$

From $\vec{E} = -\dot{\vec{A}} - \nabla\phi$

$$\leadsto -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\vec{A} + \nabla\Lambda) - \nabla(\phi - \frac{\partial\Lambda}{\partial t})$$

$$= -\dot{\vec{A}} - \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla\Lambda}_{=} - \nabla\phi + \underbrace{\nabla(\frac{\partial\Lambda}{\partial t})}_{=} = \underline{\underline{-\dot{\vec{A}} - \nabla\phi}}$$

(b) Coulomb-gauge is not Lorentz-invariant, but allows to decouple the wave equations and may be easier to solve than those in Lorentz gauge! //

The four inhomogeneous wave-DE can be solved with help of Green's functions, which are defined

by

$$\left[\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - \Delta \right] G(\vec{r}, t, \vec{r}', t') = 4\pi \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}') \delta(t - t')$$

The solution of the inhom. DE's is then given

by

$$\phi(\vec{r}, t) = \int G(\vec{r}, t, \vec{r}', t') \left[\frac{1}{\epsilon} \rho(\vec{r}', t') \right] d^3\vec{r}' dt'$$

and

$$\vec{A}(\vec{r}, t) = \int G(\vec{r}, t, \vec{r}', t') \left[\mu \vec{j}(\vec{r}', t') \right] d^3\vec{r}' dt'$$

If there are boundary values for ϕ and \vec{A} , then they must be satisfied by the Green function!

For no specific boundary values, a retarded Green's function

$$G_{\text{ret}}(\vec{r}, t, \vec{r}', t') = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{\delta[t' - t + \frac{1}{c} |\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|]}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}$$

can be used.

The time-dependance in the Green's function can be separated

$$f(\vec{r}, t) = h(\vec{r}) \cdot g(t) \dots$$

Jackson 6.4 - 6.5

D5. Conservation of Energy and Momentum

1. Energy density and flow

Let's first look only at electromagnetic forces present on particles confined to a finite volume. For speeds small compared to c , use Newton's equation

$$m_i \frac{d\vec{v}_i}{dt} = q_i \vec{E}(\vec{x}_i) + \vec{v}_i \times \vec{B}(\vec{x}_i) \quad \Big| \cdot \vec{v}_i \text{ and } \sum_i$$

$$\leadsto \sum_i \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{1}{2} m_i v_i^2 \right) = \sum_i q_i \vec{v}_i \cdot \vec{E}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{or } \frac{d}{dt} U_{\text{kin}} &= \int_V \vec{j}(\vec{x}) \cdot \vec{E} d^3\vec{x} \\ &= \underbrace{\sum_i \frac{1}{2} m_i v_i^2}_{\text{total kinetic energy}} \quad \Big| \quad \underbrace{\sum_i q_i \vec{v}_i \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_i)}_{=: \text{current density}} \end{aligned}$$

with defining the kinetic energy density

$$u_{\text{kin}}(\vec{x}) = \sum_i \frac{1}{2} m_i v_i^2 \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_i)$$

$$\text{such that } U_{\text{kin}} = \int_V u_{\text{kin}}(\vec{x}) d^3\vec{x}$$

we can write

$$\boxed{\int_V \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial t} u_{\text{kin}}(\vec{x}) - \vec{j}(\vec{x}) \cdot \vec{E}(\vec{x}) \right] d^3\vec{x} = 0}$$

\Rightarrow

Another expression for " $\vec{j}(x) \cdot \vec{E}(x)$ " can be found from Faraday-law and Ampere-law:

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \quad | \cdot \vec{B}$$

$$\leadsto \vec{B} \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{E}) + \vec{B} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}\right) = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

and

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} + \mu \vec{j} \quad | \cdot \vec{E}$$

$$\leadsto \vec{E} \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{B}) - \mu \epsilon \vec{E} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} = \mu \vec{j} \cdot \vec{E} \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (1) - (2): \quad & \underbrace{\vec{B} \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{E}) - \vec{E} \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{B})}_{= \nabla \cdot (\vec{E} \times \vec{B})} + \frac{\mu}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\epsilon \cdot E^2 + \frac{1}{\mu} B^2 \right) = -\mu \vec{j} \cdot \vec{E} \\ & = \mu \cdot (\vec{E} \times \vec{H}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\leadsto \cancel{\nabla \cdot (\vec{E} \times \vec{H})} + \frac{\mu}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\epsilon E^2 + \frac{1}{\mu} B^2 \right) = -\cancel{\mu \vec{j} \cdot \vec{E}}$$

Define $\vec{S} := \vec{E} \times \vec{H} = \frac{1}{\mu} \vec{E} \times \vec{B} :=$ Poynting vector

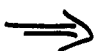
$$[S] = \frac{VA}{m^2} = \frac{J}{m^2 \cdot s} = \text{energy flow per area and time-unit}$$

and $u_{em} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\epsilon E^2 + \frac{1}{\mu} B^2 \right) =$ electromagnetic energy density

$$\leadsto \nabla \cdot \vec{S} + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} u_{em} = \vec{j} \cdot \vec{E} \stackrel{!}{=} -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} u_{kin}$$

$$\leadsto \boxed{\nabla \cdot \vec{S} + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (u_{em} + u_{kin}) = 0}$$

continuity equation for total energy density $u_{em} + u_{kin}$.



\rightarrow Integrating over volume V bounded by the surface F



$$\int_V \nabla \cdot \vec{S} d^3r + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left[\underbrace{\int_V U_{em} d^3r}_{U_{em}} + \underbrace{\int_V U_{kin} d^3r}_{U_{kin}} \right] = 0$$

Gauss' theorem

$$= \oint_F \vec{S} \cdot \vec{n} d^2r + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (U_{em} + U_{kin}) = 0 = \boxed{\oint_F \vec{S} \cdot \vec{n} d^2r + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} U}$$

2. Conservation of Momentum

Total force on a collection of charged particles:

$$\vec{F} = \int d^3r (\rho \cdot \vec{E} + \vec{j} \times \vec{B})$$

with Newton's 2nd-Law, we have

$$\vec{F} = \frac{d}{dt} (m \cdot \vec{v}) = \frac{d \vec{P}_{mech}}{dt} = \int d^3r (\rho \cdot \vec{E} + \vec{j} \times \vec{B})$$

$\uparrow = \nabla \cdot \vec{D}$ $\leftarrow = \nabla \times \vec{H} - \dot{\vec{D}}$

$$\hookrightarrow \frac{d \vec{P}_m}{dt} = \int_V d^3r \left[(\nabla \cdot \epsilon \vec{E}) \vec{E} + \left(\frac{1}{\mu} \nabla \times \vec{B} - \epsilon \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} \right) \times \vec{B} \right]$$

$$= \int_V d^3r \cdot \left[\epsilon (\nabla \cdot \vec{E}) \vec{E} + \frac{1}{\mu} (\nabla \times \vec{B} - \epsilon \mu \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}) \times \vec{B} \right]$$

$$= \int_V d^3r \left[\epsilon (\nabla \cdot \vec{E}) \vec{E} - \epsilon \vec{E} \times (\nabla \times \vec{E}) + (\nabla \cdot \vec{B}) \cdot \frac{\vec{B}}{\mu} - \frac{\vec{B}}{\mu} \times (\nabla \times \vec{B}) \right]$$

$$- \frac{d}{dt} \int_V d^3r (\vec{E} \times \vec{H})$$

= field momentum = \vec{P}_{field} .

$$\hookrightarrow \boxed{\frac{d}{dt} (\vec{P}_m + \vec{P}_{field}) = \int_V d^3r \frac{\partial T_{\alpha\beta}}{\partial T_\beta} = \oint_F d^2r T_{\alpha\beta} \cdot \vec{n}_\beta}$$

momentum flux across surface
 $T_{\alpha\beta} = \epsilon_0 E_\alpha E_\beta + \frac{1}{\mu_0} B_\alpha B_\beta$
 (Tension) $-\frac{1}{2} (\epsilon_0 E^2 + \frac{1}{\mu_0} B^2) \delta_{\alpha\beta}$