

Chapter 34

Maxwell equation

Potential Formalism

Gauge Transform

Gauge Invariance

Wave Equation.

Next Topics

EM wave

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Maxwell Equation, (First Visit)

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \quad (1) \quad \nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = - \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \quad (3) \quad \nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J} \quad (4)$$

$\vec{E}, \vec{B}, \rho, \vec{J}$ are function of $(\vec{r}, t)$

Faraday's Law: $\vec{E}, \vec{B}$ are related

Charge Conservation

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{J} + \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = 0 \quad (5)$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{B}) = \mu_0 \nabla \cdot \vec{J}$$

" $\hookrightarrow$ vector identity

inconsistent with the continuity equation
if $\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = 0$

By symmetry $\Rightarrow$ add a term $a \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$
constant

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J} + a \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{B}) = \mu_0 \nabla \cdot \vec{J} + a \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} \right)$$

$$a \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \cdot \vec{E})$$

$$a \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu_0 \left[\nabla \cdot \vec{J} + \frac{a}{\epsilon_0 \mu_0} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} \right] = 0$$

$\Downarrow$
continuity equation
if

$$a = \epsilon_0 \mu_0$$

Maxwell displacement current

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J} + \epsilon_0 \mu_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} \quad (4)'$$

(1), (2), (3), (4) form the Maxwell equations

Note $\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{V}) = 0$
 $\downarrow$
 vector identity]

Define $c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_0 \mu_0}}$
 $\downarrow$
 velocity of light

Exercise $\downarrow$ check the dimensionality
 and
 the value

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J} + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} \quad (4)''$$

In general, the second term is $\ll$ first
 term in the above term

$\downarrow$
 Ampère were not be
 able to measure

Maxwell equations not only is consistent
 with the continuity equation
 but includes the continuity equations

(4)' is "derived" from theoretical
 consideration.

(3)

Maxwell equation $\Rightarrow$ EM wave propagates
with velocity $c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_0 \mu_0}}$
in vacuum

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

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0, \quad \nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{E}) &= \nabla (\nabla \cdot \vec{E}) - \nabla^2 \vec{E} \\ &\quad \parallel \quad \downarrow \text{vector identity} \\ \nabla \times \left(-\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}\right) & \\ &\quad \parallel \\ -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \times \vec{B} & \\ &\quad \parallel \\ -\mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2} & \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla^2 \vec{E} &= \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2} \\ \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}\right) &= \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2} \end{aligned}$$

Exercise

$$\nabla^2 \vec{B} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}}{\partial t^2}$$

Thus the proof.

Eureka!

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勝利歡呼
(阿基米德)

Table 15-1

FALSE IN GENERAL (true only for statics)	TRUE ALWAYS
$F = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2} \quad (\text{Coulomb's law})$	$F = q(E + v \times B) \quad (\text{Lorentz force})$ $\rightarrow \nabla \cdot E = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \quad (\text{Gauss' law})$
$\nabla \times E = 0$ $E = -\nabla\phi$ $E(1) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\rho(2)e_{12}}{r_{12}^2} dV_2$ For conductors, $E = 0$, $\phi_s = \text{constant}$, $Q = CV$	$\rightarrow \nabla \times E = -\frac{\partial B}{\partial t} \quad (\text{Faraday's law})$ $E = -\nabla\phi - \frac{\partial A}{\partial t}$ In a conductor, E makes currents.
$c^2 \nabla \times B = \frac{j}{\epsilon_0} \quad (\text{Ampere's law})$ $B(1) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 c^2} \int \frac{j(2) \times e_{12}}{r_{12}^2} dV_2$	$\rightarrow \nabla \cdot B = 0 \quad (\text{No magnetic charges})$ $B = \nabla \times A$ $\rightarrow c^2 \nabla \times B = \frac{j}{\epsilon_0} + \frac{\partial E}{\partial t}$
$\nabla^2 \phi = -\frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \quad (\text{Poisson's equation})$ with $\nabla^2 A = -\frac{j}{\epsilon_0 c^2}$ $\nabla \cdot A = 0$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla^2 \phi - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial t^2} = -\frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \\ \text{and} \\ \nabla^2 A - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial t^2} = -\frac{j}{\epsilon_0 c^2} \\ \text{with} \\ c^2 \nabla \cdot A + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} = 0 \end{array} \right.$
$\phi(1) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\rho(2)}{r_{12}} dV_2$ $A(1) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 c^2} \int \frac{j(2)}{r_{12}} dV_2$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \phi(1, t) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\rho(2, t')}{r_{12}} dV_2 \\ \text{and} \\ A(1, t) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 c^2} \int \frac{j(2, t')}{r_{12}} dV_2 \\ \text{with} \\ t' = t - \frac{r_{12}}{c} \end{array} \right.$
$U = \frac{1}{2} \int \rho \phi dV + \frac{1}{2} \int j \cdot A dV$	$U = \int \left(\frac{\epsilon_0}{2} E \cdot E + \frac{\epsilon_0 c^2}{2} B \cdot B \right) dV$

The equations marked by an arrow ($\rightarrow$) are Maxwell's equations.

Maxwell Equation

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in the next few lecture
we shall fill in the

Exercise, write the equation ^{gaps} in appropriate units

Start with the statics

$$\begin{array}{llll} \nabla \times \vec{E} = 0 & \Rightarrow \vec{E} = -\nabla \phi & \nabla \times \vec{E} = & \nabla \times (-\nabla \phi) \\ & & \vec{E} = -\nabla \phi & = 0 \\ & & \text{automatically} & \uparrow \\ & & \text{satisfies} & \text{vector} \\ & & \nabla \times \vec{E} = 0 & \text{identity} \\ \nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} & \Rightarrow \nabla^2 \phi = -\frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} & \text{Poisson's equation} & \\ \nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0 & \Rightarrow \vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A} & \nabla \cdot \vec{B} = \nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{A}) & \\ & & = 0 & \end{array}$$

$$c^2 \nabla \times \vec{B} = \frac{\vec{J}}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \phi, \vec{A} \\ \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ \text{scalar} \quad \text{vector potential} \end{array}$$

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{A}) = \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) - \nabla^2 \vec{A}$$

vector identity.

$$= \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) - \nabla^2 \vec{A}$$

Choose $\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = 0$ (choose Coulomb gauge)

Freedom of choosing the gauge $\Rightarrow$ gauge invariance

$$\begin{array}{l} \vec{A}' \\ \vec{A} \rightarrow \vec{A} + \nabla \chi \\ \nabla \times \vec{A} = \vec{B} \\ \nabla \times \vec{A}' = \nabla \times (\vec{A} + \nabla \chi) \\ = \nabla \times \vec{A} = \vec{B} \end{array}$$

$\vec{A}, \vec{A}'$ gives the same $\vec{B} \Rightarrow \vec{A}$ is not unique
 $\Rightarrow$ we have many $\vec{A}$ to choose from.

Example see Feynman's notes

$\nabla \cdot \vec{A} \neq 0$ make a transformation $\vec{A} \rightarrow \vec{A}'$

$$\nabla \cdot (\vec{A} + \nabla \chi) = 0$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{A}' = 0$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{A} + \nabla^2 \chi = 0$$

$$\nabla^2 \chi = -\nabla \cdot \vec{A}$$

$\Rightarrow$ we can always choose $\vec{A}$ among those satisfy the gauge conditions

With $\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow -c^2 \nabla^2 \vec{A} = \frac{\vec{J}}{\epsilon_0}$$

the structure is
the same as the
Poisson equation

$$\phi(1) \quad \text{is given as} \quad \phi(1) = \int \frac{\rho(2)}{r_{12}} dV_2$$

$\Downarrow$

$$A(1) \quad \text{is given as} \quad \vec{A}(1) = \int \frac{\vec{J}(2)}{r_{12}} dV_2$$

$$U = \frac{1}{2} \int \rho \phi dV + \frac{1}{2} \int \vec{J} \cdot \vec{A} dV.$$

Comments. Note the symmetry.
"beauty"

Now we go to the General case

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

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

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = -\nabla \times (\nabla \phi) - \nabla \times \left(\frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t} \right)$$

$$= 0 - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \times \vec{A} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$$

$\phi, \vec{A}$ scalar and vector field
potential.

Maxwell Equations

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot \vec{B} &= 0 \quad (1) \\ \nabla \times \vec{B} &= \mu_0 \vec{J} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} \quad (2) \\ \nabla \cdot \vec{E} &= \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \rho \quad (3) \\ \nabla \times \vec{E} &= - \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \quad (4) \end{aligned}$$

(1), (4) homogeneous

(2), (3) inhomogeneous

Compare with Feynman's equation.

Solve (1), (4) once for all

$$\vec{E} = -\nabla\phi - \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t}, \quad \vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A} \quad (A)$$

Scalar and vector potential

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times \vec{E} &= \nabla \times (-\nabla\phi) - \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\nabla \times \vec{A}) \\ &= - \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \end{aligned}$$

Solve the second equation

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$$

Now we substitute the equation (A) into (2), (3)

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot \vec{E} &= \nabla \cdot (-\nabla\phi - \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t}) \\ \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} &= -\nabla^2\phi - \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) \quad (B)_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times \vec{B} &= \mu_0 \vec{J} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} \\ \nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{A}) &= \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (-\nabla\phi - \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) - \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) - \nabla^2 \vec{A}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\nabla^2 \vec{A} - \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial t^2}) - \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{A} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial V}{\partial t}) = -\mu_0 \vec{J} \quad (B)_2$$

Gauge transformation

$$\begin{cases} \vec{A}' = \vec{A} + \nabla \lambda \\ \phi' = \phi - \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial t} \end{cases}$$

leaves $\vec{E}, \vec{B}$ unchanged

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot \vec{E} &= -\nabla \phi - \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t} \\ &= -\nabla \phi' - \frac{\partial \vec{A}'}{\partial t} \\ &= -\nabla \left[\phi - \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial t} \right] - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\vec{A} + \nabla \lambda) \\ &= -\nabla \phi - \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{E} &= -\nabla \phi' - \frac{\partial \vec{A}'}{\partial t} = -\nabla \left(\phi - \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial t} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\vec{A} + \nabla \lambda) \\ &\stackrel{?}{=} -\nabla \phi - \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t} \\ &\downarrow \\ &\text{yes} \end{aligned}$$

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

$\vec{E}, \vec{B}$ is unchanged under gauge transformation
obviously, they are still freedom in choosing the gauge condition.

In electrodynamics, the most popular gauge condition is the Lorentz gauge.

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{A} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} = 0$$

(B1)

$$\frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} = -\nabla^2 \phi - \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial t^2} = \square^2 \phi$$

$$\square^2 = \nabla^2 - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2}$$

$\downarrow$
d'Alembertian

(B 2) reduces to

$$\nabla^2 \vec{A} - \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial t^2} = -\mu_0 \vec{J}$$

Note the form is very "beautiful"



Now we can understand the
page in Feynman's paper

From Maxwell equation to

$$\nabla^2 \phi - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial t^2} = - \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{A} - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial t^2} = - \frac{\vec{J}}{\epsilon_0 c^2}$$

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with $c^2 \nabla \cdot \vec{A} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} = 0$

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Lorentz gauge

$$(\vec{r}, t) \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{take time} \\ \text{for the field} \\ \text{to propagate}}} (\vec{r}', t')$$

The explanation of
~~the~~ page 15-15
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Summary of E and M

Maxwell equation

(no charge at infinite)
current

Maxwell equation $\Rightarrow$ EM wave

no current

or
charge

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = 0, \quad \nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$$
$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0, \quad \nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

Notice the symmetry

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{E}) &= \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{E}) - \nabla^2 \vec{E} \\ &= \nabla \times \left(-\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}\right) \\ &= -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \times \vec{B}) \\ &= -\mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2}$$

Similarly

$$\nabla^2 \vec{B} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}}{\partial t^2}$$

wave equation

$$v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_0 \mu_0}}$$

Eureka!

Hertz

$$\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{v}) = 0$$

$$\boxed{\nabla^2 \vec{E}}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}\right) E_x$$

emphasize the generalization from statics



time dependence