

# Maxwell equations and electromagnetic potentials

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{E} = \mu_0 \vec{j} \quad (1)$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{B} = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \quad (3)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \quad (4)$$

Potentials

$$\boxed{\vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A}} \rightarrow \text{satisfies Eq. (4)}$$

$$\text{Eq. (2)} \quad \nabla \times \left( \vec{E} + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{A} \right) = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \nabla \phi = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{E} + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{A} = -\nabla \phi$$

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

$$\text{Eq. (3)}$$

$$-\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \cdot \vec{A} - \nabla \cdot \nabla \phi = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\uparrow \\ \Delta \phi = \nabla^2 \phi$$

$$\text{Eq. (1)}$$

$$\nabla \times \nabla \times \vec{A} + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \vec{A} + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \phi = -\frac{1}{\epsilon_0 c^2} \vec{j}$$

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

$$\boxed{\epsilon_0 \mu_0 = \frac{1}{c^2}}$$

## Transform

$$\vec{A} \rightarrow \vec{A} + \nabla \chi \quad \leftarrow \text{arbitrary scalar field}$$

$$\phi \rightarrow \phi - \frac{\partial \chi}{\partial t}$$

The same fields:

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

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

Coulomb gauge !!!

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

Maxwell equations (3) and (1)

$$(3) \quad \Delta \phi = \boxed{\nabla^2 \phi = -\frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}} \quad \text{Poisson equation}$$

$$(1) \quad \boxed{\nabla^2 \vec{A} - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial t^2} = -\frac{1}{\epsilon_0 c^2} \left( \vec{j} - \epsilon_0 \nabla \left( \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} \right) \right)}$$

## Transverse and longitudinal fields

$\vec{a}(\vec{r})$  ... Helmholtz theorem

$$\vec{a}(\vec{r}) = \vec{a}^{\parallel} + \vec{a}^{\perp}$$

$\vec{a}^\perp$  has zero divergence

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{a}^\perp = 0$$

$\vec{a}^\parallel$  has zero rotation

$$\nabla \times \vec{a}^\parallel = 0$$

magnetic field is purely transverse

$$\vec{B} = \vec{B}^\perp$$

In Coulomb gauge

$$\vec{A} = \vec{A}^\perp$$

Electric field?

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Eq. (2)} \\ \text{and (3)} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \nabla \times \vec{E}^\perp = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{B} \\ \nabla \cdot \vec{E}^\parallel = -\frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Eq. (1)} \\ \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \nabla \times \vec{B} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{E}^\perp + \mu_0 \vec{j}^\perp \quad (*) \\ 0 = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{E}^\parallel + \frac{1}{c^2 \epsilon_0} \vec{j}^\parallel \quad (**) \quad \nabla \cdot \end{array}$$

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho + \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \nabla \cdot \vec{j}^\parallel = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{\nabla \cdot \vec{j}^\parallel + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho = 0}$$

Continuity equation  
= conservation of charge

Time derivative of (\*)

using  $-\frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} = \nabla \times \vec{E}^\perp$  Eq. (2)

$$-\nabla \times \nabla \times \vec{E}^\perp = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}^\perp}{\partial t^2} + \mu_0 \frac{\partial \vec{j}^\perp}{\partial t}$$

$\uparrow$   
 $\nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{E}^\perp) - \nabla^2 \vec{E}^\perp$   
"0"

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\nabla^2 \vec{E}^\perp - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}^\perp}{\partial t^2} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0 c^2} \frac{\partial \vec{j}^\perp}{\partial t}}$$

What is  $\vec{j}^\perp$ ?

$$\vec{E}^\perp = -\frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t}$$

in any gauge because  $\nabla \cdot \nabla \phi = 0$   
always

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

$$\Rightarrow -\nabla^2 \vec{A} + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial t^2} = -\frac{1}{\epsilon_0 c^2} \vec{j}^\perp$$

Eq. (1)

$$\boxed{\vec{j}^\perp = \vec{j} - \epsilon_0 \nabla \left( \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} \right)}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{j}'' = \epsilon_0 \nabla \left( \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} \right)}$$

$$\vec{E}'' = -\nabla\phi$$

## Linear polarization and absorption

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E}^\perp - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}^\perp}{\partial t^2} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0 c^2} \frac{\partial \vec{f}^\perp}{\partial t}$$

$$\vec{f}^\perp = \left\langle q \vec{r} \right\rangle_{\text{space}} = \frac{d}{dt} \left\langle q \vec{r} \right\rangle = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{P}(\vec{r})$$

↑ polarization

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E}^\perp(\vec{r}, t) - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}^\perp(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t^2} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \vec{P}(\vec{r}, t)$$

Fourier transform  $t \rightarrow \omega$   
 $\vec{r} \rightarrow \vec{k}$

$$\vec{P}(\omega) = \epsilon_0 \chi(\omega) \vec{E}(\omega)$$

↑  
 susceptibility  
 linear  
 (first order)

$$-\vec{k}^2 \vec{E}^\perp(\omega) + \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \vec{E}^\perp(\omega) =$$

$$= -\frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \chi(\omega) \vec{E}^\perp(\omega)$$

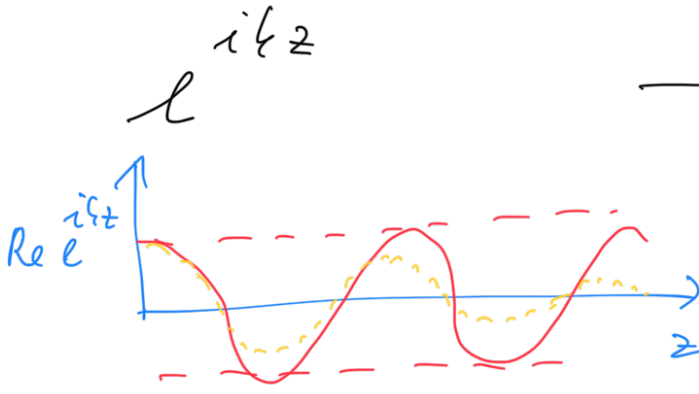
$$\left[ -\vec{k}^2 + \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} (1 + \chi(\omega)) \right] \vec{E}^\perp(\omega) = 0$$

= 0

$$k^2 = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \underbrace{(1 + \chi(\omega))}_{\epsilon_r} \Rightarrow k = \frac{\omega}{c} \sqrt{\epsilon_r} = \frac{\omega}{c} (n + i\kappa)$$

$$\vec{k} = (0, 0, k)$$

$\uparrow$  real  
 $\uparrow$  im  
 of  
 $\sqrt{\epsilon_r}$



$$E \sim e^{i\kappa z} = e^{i\frac{\omega}{c} n z} e^{-\frac{\omega}{c} \kappa z}$$

Absorption coefficient:

$$I = I_0 e^{-\alpha z} = I_0 e^{-\frac{2\omega\kappa}{c} z}$$

$$\boxed{\alpha = \frac{2\omega}{c} \kappa}$$

$$\epsilon_r = 1 + \chi(\omega) = 1 + \underbrace{\chi'(\omega)}_{\text{real}} + i \underbrace{\chi''(\omega)}_{\text{imaginary}}$$

$$\sqrt{\epsilon_r} = \sqrt{1 + \chi' + i\chi''} = n + i\kappa$$

$$1 + \chi' + i\chi'' = (n + i\kappa)(n + i\kappa) = n^2 - \kappa^2 + 2i n\kappa$$

Real  $1 + \chi' = n^2 - \epsilon^2$

Im  $i\chi'' = 2in\epsilon \Rightarrow$

$$\epsilon = \frac{\chi''(\omega)}{2n}$$

$$1 + \chi'(\omega) = n^2 + \left(\frac{\chi''(\omega)}{2n}\right)^2 \Rightarrow$$

$$n = \sqrt{1 + \chi'(\omega)}$$

$$\alpha(\omega) = \frac{\omega}{mc} \chi''(\omega)$$