

Reading Quiz 3 for Electromagnetic Theory (PHYS330)

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Abstract

A summary of content covered in chapter 3 (so far) of Introduction to Electrodynamics.

1 Discussions about Vectors (Prelude to Fourier's Trick)

1. Let $\vec{v} = a\hat{x} + b\hat{y} + c\hat{z}$. Which of the following is equal to c ?

- A: $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v} = |\vec{v}|^2 = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}^2 = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2} \cdot \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2} = a^2 + b^2 + c^2 \neq c$
- B: $\vec{v} \cdot \hat{z} = (a\hat{x} + b\hat{y} + c\hat{z}) \cdot (\hat{z}) = a(0) + b(0) + c(1) = 0$
- C: $\hat{x} \cdot \vec{v} = (\hat{x}) \cdot (a\hat{x} + b\hat{y} + c\hat{z}) = a(1) + b(0) + c(0) = a \neq c$
- D: $\sqrt{\vec{v}^2} = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2} \neq c$

2. Let $\vec{x} = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \hat{x}_i$ be an n -dimensional vector and the set of \hat{x}_i represent orthonormal basis vectors. How do you obtain the coefficient c_7 ? $\text{Orthogonal} \Rightarrow \int_a^b f_h(y) f'_h(y) dy = 0 \text{ if } n = h$.

- A: $\hat{x}_i \cdot \vec{x} = 0 \neq c_7$
- B: $n = 7 \Rightarrow \vec{x} = \sum_{i=1}^7 c_1 \hat{x}_1 + c_2 \hat{x}_2 + \dots + c_7 \hat{x}_7$
- C: $\hat{x} \cdot \vec{x} = 0 \neq c_7$
- D: $\hat{x}_7 \cdot \vec{x} = \hat{x}_7 \cdot \sum_{i=1}^7 c_i \hat{x}_i = c_1(\hat{x}_1 \cdot \hat{x}_7) + c_2(\hat{x}_2 \cdot \hat{x}_7) + \dots + c_7(\hat{x}_7 \cdot \hat{x}_7) = c_7 \neq 0$ since $n = h$

3. Suppose we are trying to develop the Fourier series for a function $f(x)$. Recall the definition of a Fourier series:

$$f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \sin(nx) + b_n \cos(nx) \quad (1)$$

However, the function we are trying to model is $f(x) = \sin(3x)$. (Write down all coefficients in the Fourier series from $n = 0$ to $n = \infty$)

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin(3x) \cos(nx) dx \Rightarrow a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin(3x) dx \Rightarrow a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[\frac{1}{3} \cos(3x) \right]_0^{2\pi} = \frac{1}{3\pi} [1 - 1] = 0 \Rightarrow a_0 = 0$$

$$a_n = 0 \quad \& \quad b_n = 0 \quad \left[f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + a_1 \sin(x) + b_1 \cos(x) + a_2 \sin(2x) + b_2 \cos(2x) + a_3 \sin(3x) + b_3 \cos(3x) + \dots + a_n \sin(nx) + b_n \cos(nx) \right]$$

2 Fourier's Trick and Boundary Value Problems

1. If $V(x, y, z) \rightarrow 0$ as $y \rightarrow \infty$, which of the following cannot be part of the solution for $V(x, y, z)$?

- A: $Y(y) = e^{-ky}$ $Y(y) = (C \sin(ky) + D \cos(ky)) \text{ or } Y(y) = Ae^{ky} + Be^{-ky}$
- B: $Y(y) = \sinh(y)$
- C: $Y(y) = 1/y^2 \rightarrow \text{cannot be expressed in differential form in Laplace's eqn.}$
- D: $Y(y) = e^{-ky^2}$

2. Below is Eq. 3.50 from section 3.3 of the text, with $V_0(y, z) = V_0$:

$$C_{n,m} = \frac{4V_0}{ab} \int_0^a \int_0^a \sin(n\pi y/a) \sin(m\pi z/a) dy dz \quad (2)$$

Reproduce the result in Eq. 3.51 for $C_{n,m}$.

2.2

$$C_{n,m} = \frac{4V_0}{ab} \int_0^a \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right) dy \int_0^b \sin\left(\frac{m\pi z}{b}\right) dz$$

$$\textcircled{1} \int_0^a \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right) dy \quad \text{if } u = \frac{n\pi y}{a} \Rightarrow du = \frac{n\pi}{a} dy \Rightarrow dy = \frac{a}{n\pi} du \Rightarrow y=0, u=0 \Rightarrow y=a, u=n\pi$$

$$\int_0^a \sin(u) \frac{a}{n\pi} du = \frac{a}{n\pi} \int_0^{n\pi} \sin(u) du = \frac{a}{n\pi} \cos(u) \Big|_0^{n\pi} = \frac{a}{n\pi} (1 - \cos(n\pi)) \begin{cases} \text{if } n \text{ even, } \textcircled{1} = 0 \\ \text{if } n \text{ odd, } \textcircled{1} = \frac{2a}{n\pi} \end{cases}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \int_0^b \sin\left(\frac{m\pi z}{b}\right) dz \quad \text{if } u = \frac{m\pi z}{b} \Rightarrow du = \frac{m\pi}{b} dz \Rightarrow dz = \frac{b}{m\pi} du \Rightarrow z=0, u=0; z=b, u=m\pi$$

$$\int_0^{m\pi} \sin(u) \frac{b}{m\pi} du = \frac{b}{m\pi} \cos(u) \Big|_0^{m\pi} = \frac{b}{m\pi} (1 - \cos(m\pi)) \begin{cases} \text{if } m \text{ even, } \textcircled{2} = 0 \\ \text{if } m \text{ odd, } \textcircled{2} = \frac{2b}{m\pi} \end{cases}$$

So, when:

$$n \text{ even, } m \text{ even} \Rightarrow C_{n,m} = \frac{4V_0}{ab} (0)(0) = 0$$

$$n \text{ even, } m \text{ odd} \Rightarrow C_{n,m} = \frac{4V_0}{ab} (0)\left(\frac{2b}{m\pi}\right) = 0$$

$$n \text{ odd, } m \text{ even} \Rightarrow C_{n,m} = \frac{4V_0}{ab} \left(\frac{2a}{n\pi}\right)(0) = 0$$

$$n \text{ odd, } m \text{ odd} \Rightarrow C_{n,m} = \frac{4V_0}{ab} \left(\frac{2a}{n\pi}\right)\left(\frac{2b}{m\pi}\right) = \frac{16V_0}{\pi^2 nm}$$

So,

$$C_{n,m} = \frac{4V_0}{ab} \int_0^a \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right) dy \int_0^b \sin\left(\frac{m\pi z}{b}\right) dz = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } n \text{ or } m \text{ even,} \\ \frac{16V_0}{\pi^2 nm}, & \text{if } n \text{ and } m \text{ odd.} \end{cases}$$

✓ equal to 3.51.

1.3 $a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin(3x) \cos(2x) dx \Rightarrow a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin(3x) (1) dx \Rightarrow a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[\frac{1}{3} \cos(3x) \right] \Big|_0^{2\pi} \Rightarrow a_0 = \frac{1}{3\pi} (1-1) \Rightarrow a_0 = 0$

$$a_1 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin(3x) \cos(2x) dx \Rightarrow a_1 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin(3x) dx$$