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ABSTRACT. Electricity and Magnetism notes ”dump” - Everything about or involving electricity and magnetism, electrodynamics.

Part 1. Maxwell’s Equations; My version of Maxwell’s Equations

1. MY VERSION OF MAXWELL’S EQUATIONS

1.1. Maxwell’s Equations, my version, in ”vector calculus” form. If $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$, then

(1)
$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = \frac{-1}{c} \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \right)$$

If $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = 4\pi\rho_{\text{total}}$, then

(2)
$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times \mathbf{B} = & \frac{1}{c} \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} + 4\pi \frac{\partial \mathbf{P}}{\partial t} + \right. \\ & \left. + 4\pi \mathbf{J}_{\text{free}} + 4\pi c \nabla \times \mathbf{M} \right) \end{aligned}$$

1.2. Maxwell’s Equations, my version, over spacetime manifold M . For spacetime manifold M , of dimensions $\dim M = d + 1$, and for

$$\begin{aligned} E &\in \Omega^1(M) \\ B &\in \Omega^2(M) \end{aligned}$$

If $\mathbf{d}B = 0$, then

(3)
$$\boxed{\mathbf{d}E + \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} = 0}$$

If $\delta E = *\mathbf{d}*E = 4\pi\rho_{\text{total}}$,

(4)
$$\boxed{\delta B = *\mathbf{d}*B = \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} + 4\pi \frac{\partial P}{\partial t} + 4\pi J_{\text{free}} + 4\pi c \delta \mathbf{M}}$$

with $\mathbf{M} \in \Omega^2(M)$, magnetization in matter (i.e. matter magnetization) is *necessarily* a 2-form.

1.2.1. *Some of the algebra (scratch) work/explicit calculations, for Maxwell’s Equations, my version, over spacetime manifold M .*

$$\mathbf{d}B \iff \nabla \cdot B$$

since component-wise,

$$\mathbf{d}B = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} B_{ij} dx^k \wedge dx^i \wedge dx^j \iff \nabla \cdot B$$

$$\mathbf{d}E = -\frac{\partial B}{\partial t} \iff \nabla \times E \equiv \text{curl} E = \frac{-1}{c} \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}$$

since, component-wise,

$$\mathbf{d}E = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} E_i dx^k \wedge dx^i = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} E_k dx^j \wedge dx^k = \frac{-\partial}{\partial t} B_{jk} dx^j \wedge dx^k$$

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For $\delta E = *\mathbf{d}*E = 4\pi\rho_{\text{total}}$, consider

$$*E = \frac{1}{(d-1)!} \sqrt{\mathbf{g}} \epsilon_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_{d-1} j_1} E_j g^{jj_1} e^{i_1} \wedge e^{i_2} \wedge \dots \wedge e^{i_{d-1}} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\mathbf{g}} \epsilon_{ijk} E_{k'} g^{k'k} dx^i \wedge dx^j$$

Further,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{d}*E &= \frac{1}{(d-1)!} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} (\sqrt{\mathbf{g}} E_j g^{jj_1} \epsilon_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_{d-1} j_1} dx^k \wedge dx^{i_1} \wedge dx^{i_2} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{i_{d-1}} = \\ &= \frac{1}{(d-1)!} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} (\sqrt{\mathbf{g}} E^{j_1}) \epsilon_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_{d-1} j_1} \epsilon^{k i_1 i_2 \dots i_{d-1}} \frac{\text{vol}^d}{\sqrt{|\mathbf{g}|}} = \\ &= \frac{1}{(d-1)!} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} (\sqrt{|\mathbf{g}|} E^{j_1}) \delta_{j_1}^k (d-1)! \frac{\text{vol}^d}{\sqrt{|\mathbf{g}|}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\mathbf{g}|}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} (\sqrt{|\mathbf{g}|} E^k) \text{vol}^d \end{aligned}$$

where this (generalized) Kronecker delta relation was used:

$$\frac{1}{p!} \delta_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_p}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_p} \delta^{\nu_1 \dots \nu_p} \rho_1 \dots \rho_p = \delta_{\rho_1 \dots \rho_p}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_p}$$

where

$$\delta_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_n}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n} = \epsilon^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n} \epsilon_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_n}$$

Note that

$$*1 = \text{vol}$$

$$**1 = (-1)^{0(n-0)} 1 = 1 = *\text{vol}$$

and so

$$*\mathbf{d}*E = \delta E = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\mathbf{g}|}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} (\sqrt{|\mathbf{g}|} E^k)$$

Indeed, we had generalized the divergence, but on a 1-form:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta : \Omega^1(M) &\rightarrow C^\infty(M) \\ (5) \quad \delta E &= \delta(E_k dx^k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\mathbf{g}|}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} (\sqrt{|\mathbf{g}|} E^k) \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\mathbf{g}|}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} (\sqrt{|\mathbf{g}|} g^{kk_1} E_{k_1}) \end{aligned}$$

2. MAGNETOSTATICS, MACROSCOPIC MAGNETISM, MAGNETIC PERMEABILITY, MAGNETIC SUSCEPTIBILITY, FIELD \mathbf{H} , FREE CURRENTS AND FIELD \mathbf{H}

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Suppose we have matter (i.e. the "macroscopic problem", referred to from Jackson (1998), Sec. 5.8 "Macroscopic Equations, Boundary Conditions on B and H ", [1]), *not* a vacuum.

Atoms in matter have electrons, e^- in orbit, contributing to (rapidly) fluctuating magnetic moments \mathbf{m} , along with e^- 's intrinsic \mathbf{m} .

Consider an average macroscopic magnetization or magnetic moment density $\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{x})$ defined in a "vector calculus" manner by Jackson (1998) [1],

$$\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_I N_I \langle \mathbf{m}_I \rangle, \quad I \equiv \text{index of a particle}$$

Recalling Maxwell's Equations, Eq. 4,

$$\delta B = \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} + 4\pi \frac{\partial P}{\partial t} + 4\pi J_{\text{free}} + 4\pi c \delta \mathbf{M}$$

Consider a time-independent E and negligible P . Then

$$\implies \delta B = 4\pi J_{\text{free}} + 4\pi c \delta \mathbf{M}$$

Jackson (1998) [1] considers this magnetization \mathbf{M} as contributing to an *effective current density* by vector calculus arguments of it having a vector potential form, and so he proceeds to write it as (Jackson (1998), Eqn. (5.80) [1])

$$\text{curl} \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 (\mathbf{J} + \text{curl} \mathbf{M}) \quad (SI)$$

Then Jackson *defines* the macroscopic field \mathbf{H} , in Jackson (1998), Eqn. (5.81) [1],

$$\mathbf{H} := \frac{1}{\mu_0} \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{M}$$

However, Purcell's treatment is both more lucid, and more grounded in what B field really is physically, less relying upon artificial artifices.

2.1. Free currents \mathbf{J}_{free} and the field \mathbf{H} , magnetic susceptibility. cf. Purcell (1984) [2], Sec. 11.10 Free Currents, and the Field \mathbf{H}

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Bound current $\mathbf{J}_{\text{bound}}$ are current associated with molecular or atomic magnetic moments, including the intrinsic magnetic moment of particles with spin.

Free currents \mathbf{J}_{free} are ordinary conduction currents.

$$(6) \quad \mathbf{J}_{\text{bound}} = c \nabla \times \mathbf{M}$$

cf. Purcell (1984), Eq. (44) of Ch. 11 [2]

At a surface, where \mathbf{M} is discontinuous, we have a surface current density \mathcal{J} .

By superposition,

$$(7) \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \frac{4\pi}{c} (\mathbf{J}_{\text{bound}} + \mathbf{J}_{\text{free}}) = \frac{4\pi}{c} \mathbf{J}_{\text{total}}$$

cf. Purcell (1984), Eq. (50) of Ch. 11 [2]

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times \mathbf{B} &= \frac{4\pi}{c} (c \nabla \times \mathbf{M}) + \frac{4\pi}{c} \mathbf{J}_{\text{free}} = \\ &= \nabla \times (\mathbf{B} - 4\pi \mathbf{M}) = \frac{4\pi}{c} \mathbf{J}_{\text{free}} \end{aligned}$$

cf. Purcell (1984), Eq. (51) of Ch. 11 [2]

Purcell also defines

$$(8) \quad \mathbf{H} := \mathbf{B} - 4\pi \mathbf{M}$$

cf. Purcell (1984), Eq. (52) of Ch. 11 [2]; and so

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \mathbf{J}_{\text{free}} \quad (cgs) \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{J}_{\text{free}} \quad (SI)$$

cf. Purcell (1984), Eq. (53), (53'), respectively, of Ch. 11 [2].

In magnetic systems, it is precisely the free currents that we can control. So \mathbf{H} is useful:

$$(9) \quad \int_C \mathbf{H} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \int_S \mathbf{J}_{\text{free}} \cdot d\mathbf{a} = \frac{4\pi}{c} I_{\text{free}} \quad (cgs) \quad \int_C \mathbf{H} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = \int_S \mathbf{J}_{\text{free}} \cdot d\mathbf{a} = I_{\text{free}} \quad (SI)$$

where in SI, $H \sim \frac{\text{amps}}{\text{meter}}$. cf. Purcell (1984), Eq. (54), (54'), respectively, of Ch. 11 [2].

\mathbf{B} is the *fundamental magnetic field vector*; it is **only** \mathbf{B} s.t. $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$ or $d\mathbf{B} = 0$

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