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Electromagnetic wave in classical Physics: In the free space the Maxwell's equations are

$$\left. \begin{array}{ll} \text{(i)} \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = 0, & \text{(iii)} \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}, \\ \text{(ii)} \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0, & \text{(iv)} \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}. \end{array} \right\}$$

Applying curl operator to (iii) we get

$$\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E}) = \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E}) - \vec{\nabla}^2 \vec{E} = -\mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2} \quad \text{Since } \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = 0 \text{ we get}$$

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

Similarly, applying $\vec{\nabla}$ to the equation (iv) we get

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

These are the two wave equations for the electric & the magnetic fields.

Here $c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}}$ is the velocity of the electromagnetic wave - speed of light.