

PHYS 408 Formula Sheet

Differential Maxwell's Equations

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} &= \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} & \nabla \times \mathbf{E} &= -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} &= 0 & \nabla \times \mathbf{B} &= \mu_0 \mathbf{J} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t}\end{aligned}$$

Integral Maxwell's Equations

$$\begin{aligned}\oint \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{a} &= \frac{Q_{\text{enc}}}{\epsilon_0} & \oint \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{a} &= 0 \\ \oint \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{l} &= -\frac{d\Phi_B}{dt} & \oint \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{l} &= \mu_0 I_{\text{enc}} + \epsilon_0 \mu_0 \frac{d\Phi_E}{dt}\end{aligned}$$

Wave Optics

Monochromatic Wave:

$$\mathcal{E} = \text{Re}\{\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r})e^{-i\omega t}\}$$

Helmholtz Equation:

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} + k^2 \mathbf{E} = 0$$

Plane wave solution to Helmholtz Equation:

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) = \mathbf{E}_0 e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}}$$

Spherical wave solution to Helmholtz Equation:

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) = \mathbf{E}_0 \frac{1}{r} e^{ikr} \quad \mathbf{E}_0 = E_0 \hat{\theta}$$

Interference of multiple fields:

$$\begin{aligned}I &= \sum_{k=1}^N I_k + v \epsilon \text{Re}\{E_1 E_2^* + E_1 E_3^* + \dots + E_{N-1} E_N^*\} \\ v \epsilon E_i E_j^* &= 2\sqrt{I_i I_j} \exp[i(\theta_i - \theta_j)]\end{aligned}$$

Fresnel (Paraxial) Approximation:

$$\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \ll z$$

Transverse Laplacian Operator:

$$\nabla_T^2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}$$

Paraxial Wave Equation:

$$\nabla_T^2 \mathbf{E} + i2k \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial z} = 0$$

Fresnel Approximation of a spherical wave:

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) \approx \frac{\mathbf{E}_0}{z} \exp\left[ik \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2z}\right] = \frac{\mathbf{E}_0}{z} \exp\left[ik \frac{\rho^2}{2z}\right]$$

Beam Optics

Gaussian beam with Rayleigh length z_0 :

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) &= \mathbf{E}_0 \frac{w_0}{w(z)} \exp\left[-\frac{\rho^2}{(w(z))^2}\right] \times \\ \exp\left[ik \frac{\rho^2}{2R(z)}\right] &\exp\left[ikz - i \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{z}{z_0}\right)\right] \\ q(z) &= z - z_0\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{q(z)} = \frac{1}{R(z)} + i \frac{\lambda}{\pi} \frac{1}{(w(z))^2}$$

Beam waist:

$$w_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda z_0}{\pi}}$$

Beam Radius:

$$w(z) = w_0 \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{z}{z_0}\right)^2}$$

Radius of curvature:

$$R(z) = z \left[1 + \left(\frac{z_0}{z}\right)^2\right]$$

Gaussian beam intensity with center intensity I_0 :

$$I(z, \rho) = I_0 \left[\frac{w_0}{w(z)}\right]^2 \exp\left[-\frac{2\rho^2}{(w(z))^2}\right]$$

Gaussian beam total power:

$$P = \frac{I_0}{2} \pi w_0^2$$

Depth of focus (confocal parameter):

$$d = 2z_0 = \frac{2\pi w_0^2}{\lambda}$$

Propagation of Paraxial Waves

ABCD Matrix of an optical system:

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_2 \\ \theta_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \theta_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Free space propagation transfer matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & d \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Refraction transfer matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & n_I/n_T \end{bmatrix}$$

Curved interface transfer matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{n_T - n_I}{n_I R} & n_I/n_T \end{bmatrix}$$

Thin lens transfer matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{f} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Gaussian Beam propagation in the paraxial regime:

$$q_2 = \frac{Aq_1 + B}{Cq_1 + D}$$

Fourier Optics

Fraunhofer (far field) limit:

$$x^2/\lambda, y^2/\lambda \ll z/\pi$$

Free space transfer function along \mathbf{z} :

$$\tilde{H}(k_x, k_y) = e^{ik_z z} \approx e^{ik_z z} e^{-i(k_x^2 + k_y^2)z/2k}$$

Free space propagation in paraxial limit:

$$\begin{aligned}E(x', y', z) &\approx \frac{e^{ikz}}{i\lambda z} \exp\left[ik \frac{x'^2 + y'^2}{2z}\right] \times \\ \iint E(x, y, z) &\exp\left[ik \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2z}\right] \exp\left[-\frac{ik}{z}(x'x + y'y)\right] dx dy\end{aligned}$$

Free space propagation in Fraunhofer limit:

$$E(x', y', z) \approx \frac{e^{ikz}}{i\lambda z} \exp\left[ik \frac{x'^2 + y'^2}{2z}\right] \mathcal{F}\{E(x, y, z)\}$$

Thin lens thickness function:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta(x, y) &= \\ \Delta_0 - R_1 &\left(1 - \sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2 + y^2}{R_1^2}}\right) + R_2 \left(1 - \sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2 + y^2}{R_2^2}}\right)\end{aligned}$$

Thin lens thickness function in paraxial limit:

$$\Delta(x, y) \approx \Delta_0 - \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2} \left(\frac{1}{R_1} - \frac{1}{R_2}\right)$$

Thin lens phase function:

$$t_L(x, y) = \exp[ikn\Delta(x, y)] \exp[ik(\Delta_0 - \Delta(x, y))]$$

Thin lens phase function (ignore constant phase)

$$t_L(x, y) = \exp\left[-i \frac{k}{2f}(x^2 + y^2)\right]$$

Vector Derivatives

Cartesian

$$d\mathbf{l} = dx \hat{\mathbf{x}} + dy \hat{\mathbf{y}} + dz \hat{\mathbf{z}} \quad d\tau = dx dy dz$$

Gradient:

$$\nabla f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \hat{\mathbf{z}}$$

Divergence:

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} = \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial z}$$

Curl:

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{v} = \left(\frac{\partial v_z}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial z} \right) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \left(\frac{\partial v_x}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial x} \right) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + \left(\frac{\partial v_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial y} \right) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$$

Spherical

$$d\tau = r^2 \sin \theta dr d\theta d\phi$$

Gradient:

$$\nabla f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \hat{\mathbf{r}} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \theta} \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} + \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \phi} \hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}}$$

Divergence:

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r^2 v_r) + \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\sin \theta v_\theta) + \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial v_\phi}{\partial \phi}$$

Curl:

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{v} = \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\sin \theta v_\phi) - \frac{\partial v_\theta}{\partial \phi} \right] \hat{\mathbf{r}} + \frac{1}{r} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r v_\phi) - \frac{\partial v_r}{\partial \phi} \right] \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} + \frac{1}{r} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r v_\theta) - \frac{\partial v_r}{\partial \theta} \right] \hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}}$$

Cylindrical

$$d\tau = s ds d\phi dz$$

Gradient:

$$\nabla f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial s} \hat{\mathbf{s}} + \frac{1}{s} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \phi} \hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \hat{\mathbf{z}}$$

Divergence:

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} = \frac{1}{s} \frac{\partial}{\partial s} (s v_s) + \frac{1}{s} \frac{\partial v_\phi}{\partial \phi} + \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial z}$$

Curl:

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{v} = \left[\frac{1}{s} \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial \phi} - \frac{\partial v_\phi}{\partial z} \right] \hat{\mathbf{s}} + \left[\frac{\partial v_s}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial s} \right] \hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}} + \frac{1}{s} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial s} (s v_\phi) - \frac{\partial v_s}{\partial \phi} \right] \hat{\mathbf{z}}$$

Fundamental Theorems

Fundamental Theorem of Line Integrals:

$$\int_{\mathbf{a}}^{\mathbf{b}} (\nabla f) \cdot d\mathbf{l} = f(\mathbf{b}) - f(\mathbf{a})$$

Divergence Theorem:

$$\int (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}) d\tau = \oint \mathbf{A} \cdot d\mathbf{a}$$

Stoke's Theorem:

$$\int (\nabla \times \mathbf{A}) \cdot d\mathbf{a} = \oint \mathbf{A} \cdot d\mathbf{l}$$

Vector Identities

$$\nabla \cdot \left(\frac{\hat{\mathbf{z}}}{z^2} \right) = 4\pi \delta^3(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\nabla \left(\frac{1}{z} \right) = -\frac{\hat{\mathbf{z}}}{z}$$

$$\delta(kx) = \frac{1}{|k|} \delta(x)$$

Spherical Coordinates

$$x = r \sin \theta \cos \phi$$

$$y = r \sin \theta \sin \phi$$

$$z = r \cos \theta$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \sin \theta \cos \phi \hat{\mathbf{r}} + \cos \theta \cos \phi \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \sin \phi \hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \sin \theta \sin \phi \hat{\mathbf{r}} + \cos \theta \sin \phi \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} + \cos \phi \hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{z}} = \cos \theta \hat{\mathbf{r}} - \sin \theta \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$$

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} / z \right)$$

$$\phi = \tan^{-1} (y/x)$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{r}} = \sin \theta \cos \phi \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \sin \theta \sin \phi \hat{\mathbf{y}} + \cos \theta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = \cos \theta \cos \phi \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \cos \theta \sin \phi \hat{\mathbf{y}} - \sin \theta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}} = -\sin \phi \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \cos \phi \hat{\mathbf{y}}$$

Cylindrical Coordinates

$$x = s \cos \phi$$

$$y = s \sin \phi$$

$$z = z$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \cos \phi \hat{\mathbf{s}} - \sin \phi \hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \sin \phi \hat{\mathbf{s}} + \cos \phi \hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{z}} = \hat{\mathbf{z}}$$

$$s = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$\phi = \tan^{-1} (y/x)$$

$$z = z$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{s}} = \cos \phi \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \sin \phi \hat{\mathbf{y}}$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}} = -\sin \phi \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \cos \phi \hat{\mathbf{y}}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{z}} = \hat{\mathbf{z}}$$

Trig Identities

$$2 \cos \theta \cos \phi = \cos(\theta - \phi) + \cos(\theta + \phi)$$

$$2 \sin \theta \sin \phi = \cos(\theta - \phi) - \cos(\theta + \phi)$$

$$2 \sin \theta \cos \phi = \sin(\theta + \phi) + \sin(\theta - \phi)$$

$$2 \cos \theta \sin \phi = \sin(\theta + \phi) - \sin(\theta - \phi)$$

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