

# 3-Weeks Presentation

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# Maxwell's Equations

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$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mathbf{J} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t}$$

Where:

$\mathbf{J}$  is the current density

$\rho$  is the charge density

# Maxwell's Equations in Terms of Potentials

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$$\nabla^2 \phi - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial t^2} = -\frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$$
$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{A} - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{A}}{\partial t^2} = -\mu_0 \mathbf{J}$$

With field definitions:

$$\mathbf{E} = -\nabla \phi - \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t}$$
$$\mathbf{B} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A}$$

# Maxwell's Equations in Natural Units

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In natural units, Maxwell's equations become:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \nabla^2 \phi - \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial t^2} &= -\rho \\ \nabla^2 \mathbf{A} - \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{A}}{\partial t^2} &= -\mathbf{J} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{Both wave equations}$$

With field definitions:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E} &= -\nabla \phi - \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t} \\ \mathbf{B} &= \nabla \times \mathbf{A} \end{aligned}$$

# Mur's 1st Order Absorbing Boundary Conditions

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Mur's 1st order absorbing boundary conditions are used to absorb outgoing waves, left-moving at  $x = 0$  and right-moving at  $x = N - 1$ .

Mathematical formulation:

$$\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) \psi \Big|_{x=0} = 0 \text{ according to [Mur, 1981]} \quad (1)$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial t} - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \right) \psi \Big|_{x=0} = 0 \text{ according to [Fallahi, 2020]} \quad (2)$$

# Equations of motion for particles

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The relativistic equation of motion for electron particles reads as

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\gamma m \mathbf{v}) = -e(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}), \text{ and } \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial t} = \mathbf{v} \quad (3)$$

# Spatial and temporal field Discretization

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$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial^2 \psi(x, y, z, t)}{\partial x^2} &= \frac{\psi_{i+1,j,k}^n - 2\psi_{i,j,k}^n + \psi_{i-1,j,k}^n}{\Delta x^2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 \psi(x, y, z, t)}{\partial y^2} &= \frac{\psi_{i,j+1,k}^n - 2\psi_{i,j,k}^n + \psi_{i,j-1,k}^n}{\Delta y^2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 \psi(x, y, z, t)}{\partial z^2} &= \frac{\psi_{i,j,k+1}^n - 2\psi_{i,j,k}^n + \psi_{i,j,k-1}^n}{\Delta z^2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 \psi(x, y, z, t)}{\partial t^2} &= \frac{\psi_{i,j,k}^{n+1} - 2\psi_{i,j,k}^n + \psi_{i,j,k}^{n-1}}{\Delta t^2}\end{aligned}$$

where  $\psi$  represents either a component of  $\mathbf{A}$  or  $\phi$ .



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Interpolation of a particle attribute to the grid: For a particle with position

$$\mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} p_x \\ p_y \\ p_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \left\lfloor \frac{p_x}{\Delta x} \right\rfloor \Delta x + \delta_x \\ \left\lfloor \frac{p_y}{\Delta y} \right\rfloor \Delta y + \delta_y \\ \left\lfloor \frac{p_z}{\Delta z} \right\rfloor \Delta z + \delta_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} i\Delta x + \delta_x \\ j\Delta y + \delta_y \\ k\Delta z + \delta_z \end{bmatrix} \quad (4)$$

the Cloud-In-Cell interpolation is done as follows

$$\rho_{i+I,j+J,k+K}^p = \rho \left( \frac{1}{2} + (-1)^I \left| \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\delta x}{\Delta x} \right| \right) \left( \frac{1}{2} + (-1)^J \left| \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\delta y}{\Delta y} \right| \right) \left( \frac{1}{2} + (-1)^K \left| \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\delta z}{\Delta z} \right| \right) \quad (5)$$

with  $(I, J, K) \in \{0, 1\}^3$ .

# Gathering field attributes

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Interpolating field attributes to particles works analogously:

$$\psi^P = \sum_{I,J,K \in \{0,1\}^3} \psi \left( \frac{1}{2} + (-1)^I \left| \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\delta x}{\Delta x} \right| \right) \left( \frac{1}{2} + (-1)^J \left| \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\delta y}{\Delta y} \right| \right) \left( \frac{1}{2} + (-1)^K \left| \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\delta z}{\Delta z} \right| \right)$$

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Cloud-In-Cell deposition of current: We define the deposition point  $p^m$  as the midpoint between two adjacent timesteps:

$$p^m = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{p_x^n + p_x^{n+1}}{2} \\ \frac{p_y^n + p_y^{n+1}}{2} \\ \frac{p_z^n + p_z^{n+1}}{2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \left\lfloor \frac{p_x^m}{\Delta x} \right\rfloor \Delta x + \delta_x \\ \left\lfloor \frac{p_y^m}{\Delta y} \right\rfloor \Delta y + \delta_y \\ \left\lfloor \frac{p_z^m}{\Delta z} \right\rfloor \Delta z + \delta_z \end{bmatrix} \quad (6)$$

$$\mathbf{J}_{i+I, j+J, k+K}^p = \rho \mathbf{v} \left( \frac{1}{2} + (-1)^I \left| \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\delta x}{\Delta x} \right| \right) \left( \frac{1}{2} + (-1)^J \left| \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\delta y}{\Delta y} \right| \right) \left( \frac{1}{2} + (-1)^K \left| \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\delta z}{\Delta z} \right| \right) \quad (7)$$

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If a particle travels across a cell boundary, this scheme violates

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = \rho \quad (8)$$

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To satisfy

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = \rho$$

we simply add a correction term equivalent to the negative error [Lehe, 2016]:

$$\mathbf{E}' = \mathbf{E} - \nabla \delta \phi \text{ with } \nabla \cdot (\nabla \delta \phi) = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} - \rho \quad (9)$$

# Zigzag Current Deposition

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Alternatively change current deposition scheme: Particle motion from  $p_1$  to  $p_2$  is decomposed into two separate movements,  $p_1$  to  $p_r$  and  $p_r$  to  $p_2$  [Fallahi, 2020].

$$x_r = \min \left( \min(i_1 \Delta x, i_2 \Delta x) + \Delta_x, \max \left( \min(i_1 \Delta x, i_2 \Delta x), \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2} \right) \right)$$

$$y_r = \min \left( \min(j_1 \Delta x, j_2 \Delta y) + \Delta_y, \max \left( \min(j_1 \Delta y, j_2 \Delta y), \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} \right) \right)$$

$$z_r = \min \left( \min(k_1 \Delta x, k_2 \Delta z) + \Delta_z, \max \left( \min(k_1 \Delta z, k_2 \Delta z), \frac{z_1 + z_2}{2} \right) \right)$$

Then two Cloud-In-Cell interpolations of with points  $\frac{p_1 + p_r}{2}$  and  $\frac{p_r + p_2}{2}$  [Umeda et al., 2003] satisfy the conservation of current.

# Radiation Reactions

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Radiation reaction in classical electrodynamics [Di Piazza et al., 2012] in the ultra-relativistic limit of Landau & Lifshitz can be described by

$$\frac{d\mathbf{p}}{dt} = \mathbf{F}_L - \frac{2e^4\gamma}{3m^3c^5}\mathbf{p}\left(\mathbf{E}_\perp + \frac{\mathbf{p}\mathbf{B}}{\gamma mc}\right) \quad (10)$$

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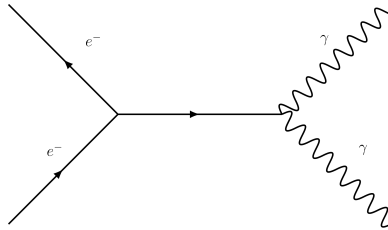


Figure: Feynman Diagram



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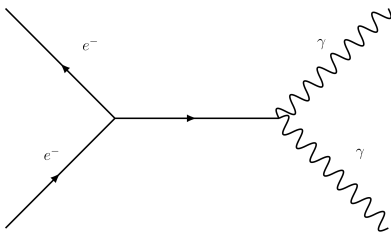


Figure: Feynman Diagram

- Accumulate cross-section  $d\sigma$  of possible interaction graphs

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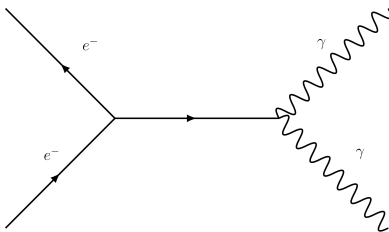


Figure: Feynman Diagram

- Accumulate cross-section  $d\sigma$  of possible interaction graphs
- Insert / resample particles

# Results

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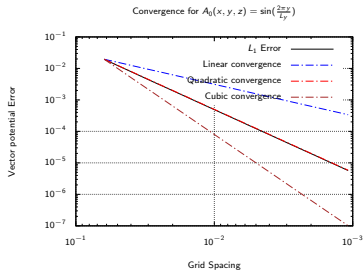
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$L_1$  error of numerical solution of

$$\nabla^2 \phi - \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial t^2} = -\rho$$

after one timestep

Temporal evolution of  $\mathbf{E}$



# Project Milestones

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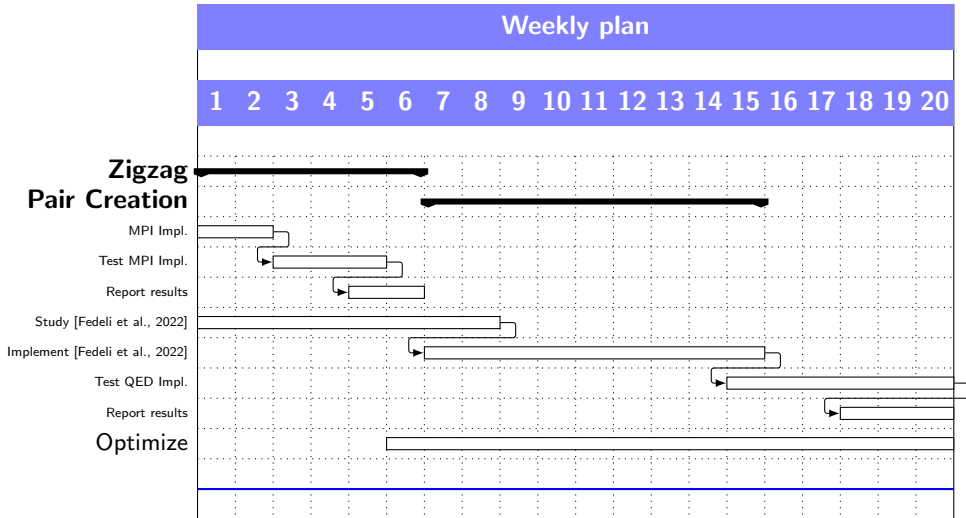
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