

Maxwell's equations with and without magnetic charge

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Abstract

Maxwell's equations of classical electromagnetism [1] are presented, in Gaussian units¹, without (1, 2, 3, 4) and with (5, 6, 7, 8) magnetic charge. Equations 5 to 8 are taken from the front cover of the Monopole and Exotics Detector at the LHC (MoEDAL) Technical Design Report [2], the Large Hadron Collider's seventh major experiment and the latest venture to be undertaken in the search for Dirac's hypothesised magnetic monopole [3].

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = 4\pi\rho_e \tag{1}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0 \tag{2}$$

$$-\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \tag{3}$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} + \frac{4\pi}{c} \mathbf{j}_e \tag{4}$$

¹The equations are written in the *Gaussian unit* system, and not SI units, for simplicity; in this system the electric field \mathbf{E} and the magnetic field \mathbf{B} have the same units.

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = 4\pi\rho_e \quad (5)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 4\pi\rho_m \quad (6)$$

$$-\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} + \frac{4\pi}{c} \mathbf{j}_m \quad (7)$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} + \frac{4\pi}{c} \mathbf{j}_e \quad (8)$$

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