

## M 5: EM Theory

### Maxwell's Equations:

Maxwell's equations describe how an electric field can generate a magnetic field and vice-versa. These equations describe the relationship and behaviour of electric and magnetic fields.

- 👍 Maxwell gave a set of 4 equations which are known as Maxwell's equations. According to Maxwell equations:-
- 👍 A flow of electric current will generate magnetic field and if the current varies with time magnetic field will also give rise to an electric field.
- I equation (1) describes the surface integral of electric field.
- II equation (2) describes the surface integral of magnetic field.
- III equation (3) describes the line integral of electric field.
- IV equation (4) describes line integral of magnetic field.

$\oint_S E \cdot dS = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0}$	<b>Gauss law of electrostatics</b>
$\oint_S B \cdot dS = 0$	<b>Gauss law of Magnetism</b>
$\int E \cdot dl = -\frac{d\phi_B}{dt}$	<b>Faraday's Law of electromagnetic induction</b>
$\int B \cdot dl = \mu_0 i = \mu_0 \left[ J + \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} \right]$	<b>Ampere's Law</b>

- 👍 Maxwell was the first to determine the speed of propagation of EM waves is same as the speed of light.
- 👍 Experimentally it was found that:-  $c = 1/\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}$ , where  $\mu_0$ (permeability) and  $\epsilon_0$ (permittivity) and  $c$ = velocity of light.
- 👍 Maxwell's equations show that the electricity, magnetism and ray optics are all inter-related to each other.

## **Importance of Maxwell's Equations:**

1. The first law states that the total electric displacement flux passing through a closed surface (Gaussian surface) is equal to the total charge inside the surface.
2. The second law states that total magnetic flux passing through any closed surface is zero.
3. The third law states that electromotive force around a closed path is equal to the minus of the time derivative of the magnetic flux flowing through any surface bounded by the path

or

It can also be stated that the electromotive force around a closed path is equal to the inflow of magnetic current through any surface bounded by the path.

4. The fourth Maxwell's Equation states that the magnetomotive force around a closed path is equal to the sum of electric displacement and conduction currents through any surface bounded by the path.

## **MAXWELL'S ELECTROMAGNETIC EQUATIONS:**

Maxwell formulated the basic laws of electricity and magnetism in the form of four fundamental equations. These equations are known as Maxwell's equation.

The four laws of electricity and magnetism are

- i. Gauss law of electrostatics
- ii. Gauss law of magnetism
- iii. Faraday's law of electromagnetic induction
- iv. Ampere's law of magnetic field due to steady currents.

The integral form of these equations are given by

$$\oint_S E \cdot dS = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0} \quad \text{_____} \quad (1)$$

$$\oint_S B \cdot dS = 0 \quad \text{_____} \quad (2)$$

$$\int E \cdot dl = -\frac{d\phi_B}{dt} \quad \text{_____} \quad (3)$$

$$\int B \cdot dl = \mu_0 i = \mu_0 \left[ J + \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} \right] \quad \text{_____} \quad (4)$$

The differential form of Maxwell equation are given by

$$\text{div} E = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon} \quad \text{or} \quad \nabla \cdot E = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon} \quad \text{_____} \quad (5)$$

$$\text{div} B = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \nabla \cdot B = 0 \quad \text{_____} \quad (6)$$

$$\text{curl } E = -\frac{\partial B}{\partial t} \quad \text{_____} \quad (7)$$

$$\text{curl } B = \mu_0 \left[ J + \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} \right] \quad \text{_____} \quad (8)$$

**Derivation of Maxwell's equations:** The differential forms of Maxwells equations can be obtained from the integral forms as follows:

**i. Maxwell's first equation:** The integral form of Maxwell's first equation is given by

$$\oint_S E \cdot dS = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0}$$

This is Gauss law of electricity. If  $\rho$  be the charge density and  $dV$  be the small volume then

$$q = \int_V \rho \, dV$$

$$\left( \because \rho = \frac{q}{V} \Rightarrow \rho = \frac{q}{\int dV} \right)$$

$$\therefore \oint_S E \cdot dS = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \int \rho \, dV$$

$$\oint_S \epsilon_0 E \cdot dS = \int \rho \, dV$$

$$\oint_S D \cdot dS = \int_V \rho dV \quad (\because \epsilon_0 E = D \rightarrow \text{displacement current}) \quad \text{_____} (1)$$

But according to Gauss divergence theorem

$$\oint_S F \cdot dS = \int_V \text{div} F \, dV$$

$$\text{Hence, } \oint_S D \cdot dS = \int_V (\nabla \cdot D) \, dV \quad \text{_____} (2)$$

From Eq. (1) and (2)

$$\boxed{\nabla \cdot D = \rho \quad (\text{or}) \quad \nabla \cdot E = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \quad (\text{or}) \quad \text{div} E = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}} \quad \text{_____} (3)$$

ii. **Maxwell's second equation:** According to Gauss law of magnetism

$$\oint_S B \cdot dS = 0 \quad \text{_____} (4)$$

But according to Gauss divergence theorem

$$\oint_S B \cdot dS = \int_V \text{div} B \, dV \quad \text{_____} (5)$$

Hence, From Eq. (4) & (5)

$$\int_V (\nabla \cdot B) \, dV = 0$$

$$\boxed{\nabla \cdot B = 0} \quad \text{_____} (6)$$

iii. **Maxwell's third equation:** According to Faraday's law of electromagnetic induction

$$\begin{aligned} \int E \cdot dl &= - \frac{d\phi_B}{dt} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_S B \cdot dS \\ &= - \int_S \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} \cdot dS \quad \text{-----} (7) \end{aligned}$$

Applying Stokes Theorem

$$\int_S E \cdot dl = \int_S (\nabla \times E) \cdot dS \quad \text{-----} (8)$$

From Eq. (7) & (8)

$$\int_S (\nabla \times E) \cdot dS = - \int_S \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} \cdot dS$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial B}{\partial t} \quad \text{or} \quad \text{curl } E = -\frac{\partial B}{\partial t}} \quad \text{-----(9)}$$

**iv. Maxwell's four equation:** From Ampere's law

$$\int B \cdot dl = \mu_0 i \quad (\text{but } i = \frac{dq}{dt} \Rightarrow J = \frac{i}{A} \Rightarrow J \cdot A = i \text{ or } J \cdot dS = i)$$

Using Stokes theorem

$$\int B \cdot dl = \int_S (\nabla \times B) \cdot dS$$

$$\therefore \int_S (\nabla \times B) \cdot dS = \mu_0 \int_S J \cdot dS \quad (\because J = \frac{i}{A})$$

$$\text{i.e., } \nabla \times B = \mu_0 J$$

Replacing J by  $\left[ J + \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} \right]$  we get,

$$\boxed{\nabla \times B = \mu_0 \left[ J + \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} \right]} \quad \text{-----(9)}$$