

## Maxwell's Equations in Differential Form:

Constraint

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \rho$$

Gauss's Law

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

No Magnetic Monopole.

Dynamics

Ampere's Law.

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{d}{dt} \vec{E} + \mu_0 \vec{j}$$

Maxwell Displacement  
current

charge current  
density

Faraday's Law

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = - \frac{d}{dt} \vec{B}$$

Inhomogeneous / Source

Homogeneous / No source

## Current Conservation:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}) = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}) = \frac{1}{c^2} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left( \frac{d}{dt} \vec{E} \right) + \mu_0 \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j}$$

$$\underbrace{\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B})}_{=0} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho + \mu_0 \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho = - \underbrace{\epsilon_0 \mu_0 c^2}_1 \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j}$$

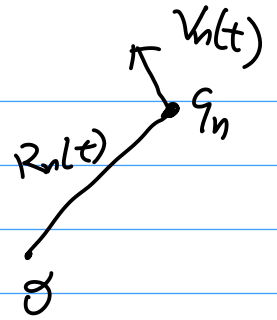
Continuity Equation:  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho = - \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j}$

For N-point particles:

$$\rho(\vec{r}, t) = \sum_{n=1}^N q_n \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{R}_n(t))$$

$$\vec{j}(\vec{r}, t) = \sum_{n=1}^N q_n \vec{v}_n(t) \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{R}_n(t))$$

$$\hookrightarrow \vec{v}_n(t) = \dot{\vec{R}}_n(t)$$



with  $\int d^3r \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{R}_n(t)) = 1$ .  $\leftarrow$  Dirac-Delta.

Side Note: Einstein Summation:

$$\rightarrow \boxed{\vec{\nabla} = e_u \partial_u}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{f} = (e_u \partial_u) \cdot (f_v e_v)$$

$$\stackrel{!}{=} e_u \cdot e_v \partial_u f_v$$

$$\stackrel{!}{=} \partial_u f_u$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot (f \vec{g}) = e_u \partial_u (f g_v e_v)$$

$$\stackrel{!}{=} (e_u \cdot e_v) \partial_u (f g_v)$$

$$\stackrel{!}{=} \delta_{uv} \partial_u (f g_v)$$

$$\stackrel{!}{=} (\partial_u f) g_u + f (\partial_u g_u)$$

$$\stackrel{!}{=} \vec{\nabla} f \cdot \vec{g} + f (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{g})$$

$$\boxed{\vec{e}_u \times \vec{e}_v = \epsilon_{uvp} \vec{e}_p}$$

$$\vec{A} \times \vec{B} = (A_u \vec{e}_u) \times (B_v \vec{e}_v) = (\vec{e}_u \times \vec{e}_v) A_u B_v$$

$$\stackrel{!}{=} \epsilon_{uvp} \vec{e}_p A_u B_v$$

## Dirac - Delta Recall:

$$\int d\vec{r} \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{A}) f(\vec{r}) = f(\vec{A})$$

$\Rightarrow$  Checking whether point-source particles described by Dirac-Delta Matches with Continuity Eq:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho &= \sum_{n=1}^N q_n \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{R}_n(t)) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^N q_n \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{r}} \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{R}_n(t)) \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\vec{r} - \vec{R}_n(t)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho = \sum_{n=1}^N q_n (-\dot{\vec{R}}_n(t)) \vec{\nabla}_r \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{R}_n(t))$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{And } \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j} &= \sum_{n=1}^N q_n \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{V}_n(t) \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{R}_n(t))) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^N q_n e_u \partial_u \cdot V_{n,v} e_v \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{R}_n(t)) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^N q_n \delta_{uv} \partial_u (V_{n,v} \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{R}_n(t))) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^N q_n \partial_u (V_{n,u} \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{R}_n(t))) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^N q_n \left[ \underbrace{\partial_u (V_{n,u})}_{\frac{\partial^2 x}{\partial x \partial t} = 0} \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{R}_n(t)) + V_{n,u} \partial_u \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{R}_n(t)) \right] \\ \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j} &= \sum_{n=1}^N q_n \vec{V}_n \cdot \vec{\nabla}_r \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{R}_n(t)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\therefore \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j} = 0}$$

## Force Laws:

Coulomb Law

Lorentz Law

$$F(t) = \begin{cases} \text{Discrete:} & q \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) + q \vec{r} \times \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t) \\ \text{Continuous:} & \int d^3r \left[ \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{charge density}}}{\rho^*(\vec{r}, t)} \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) + \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{current density}}}{\vec{j}^*(\vec{r}, t)} \times \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t) \right] \end{cases}$$

## E- and B- fields in scalar and vector potentials.

$\phi$  : scalar potential

$A$  : vector potential


Then :

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{E} &= -\vec{\nabla} \phi - \partial_t \vec{A} \\ \vec{B} &= \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} \end{aligned}$$

Constants:

## Fine Structure Constant:

Coupling of EM and matter  $\rightarrow \alpha = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar c} = \frac{1}{137} = 2\pi \frac{e^2/4\pi\epsilon_0 d}{\hbar c/d} \leftarrow \begin{matrix} \text{Coulomb energy} \\ \text{photon of wavelength } d. \end{matrix}$

Compton Wavelength :  $\lambda_c = \frac{h}{mc}$  


$$\begin{aligned} \mu_0 &= 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ N/A}^2 \\ \epsilon_0 &\approx 8.8 \times 10^{-12} \frac{\text{A}^2 \text{S}^4}{\text{kg m}^3} \end{aligned}$$

$$c^2 = \frac{1}{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}$$

$p = \frac{h}{\lambda}$   
energy  $\approx \left(\frac{h}{\lambda}\right)^2 \frac{1}{2m}$ ,  
but as you increase energy,  $\rightarrow$  smaller  $\lambda$   
 $\rightarrow$  resolve particle, you can cross over  $mc^2$ , creating particles.

## Two Important Theorem:

### 1) Gauss's (Divergence) Theorem:

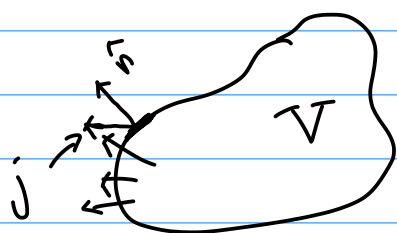
Boundary  $\partial V$ , or  $S$   unit vector normal to the surface. then:

Stationary volume.  $\int_V d^3r \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{C} = \int_S d^2r \underbrace{\hat{n} \cdot \vec{C}}_{\text{Component of } \vec{C} \text{ along } \hat{n}}$

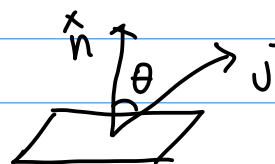
Volume Integral  $\nearrow$  Divergence of  $\vec{C}$   $\nearrow$  Surface Integral

Application: obtaining the integral form of Continuity Equation from Differential form.

Take  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j} = 0$



current density vector field.

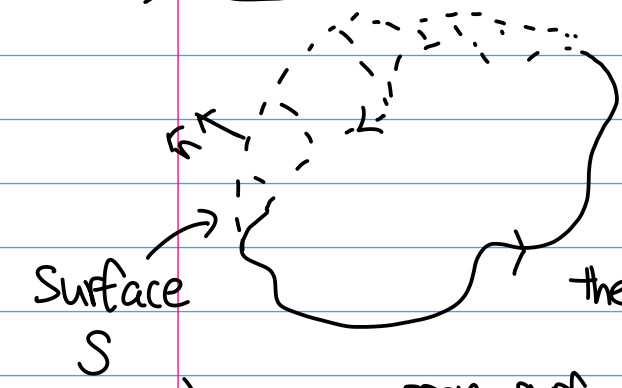


$$\int d^3r \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho + \int d^3r \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j} = 0$$

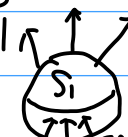

$$\hookrightarrow \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int d^3r \rho}_{\substack{Q \\ \text{overall change} \\ \text{of total charge} \\ \text{within } V}} + \underbrace{\int d^2r \hat{n} \cdot \vec{j}}_{\substack{\text{current through} \\ \text{each surface element,} \\ \text{summed over entire surface}}} = 0$$

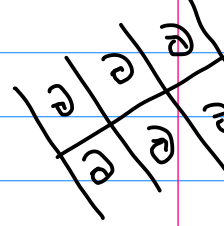
$\therefore$  Rate of charge loss = Total Flux out.

## 2) Stokes' Theorem:



then  $\int_S d^2\vec{r} \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{C} = \oint_L d\vec{r} \cdot \vec{C}$

open surface integral   closed loop line integral

  $\Rightarrow$  If choose opposite surface, which completes the entire surface, then  $\int_{S_1} d\vec{S} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{C}) + \int_{S_2} d\vec{S} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{C}) = \int d^3r \underbrace{\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{C})}_{=0} = 0$  Gauss Theorem.

## Maxwell Equations in Integral Form:

Constraint	<p>Flux through surface <math>\downarrow</math></p> <p>Total charge inside <math>V</math> <math>\downarrow</math></p> $\int_S d^2S \hat{n} \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \int_V d^3r \rho$ <p>Gauss</p>	<p>Total Flux Through Surface <math>\downarrow</math></p> $\int_S d^2S \hat{n} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$ <p>No Magnetic Monopole.</p>
Dynamics	<p>Maxwell Displacement current <math>\rightarrow</math></p> <p>Ampere <math>\rightarrow</math></p> <p>Electric flux through <math>S</math> <math>\uparrow</math></p> <p>Electric current through <math>S</math> <math>\uparrow</math></p> $\oint_L d\vec{r} \cdot \vec{B} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{d}{dt} \int_S d^2S \hat{n} \cdot \vec{E} + \mu_0 \int_S d^2S \hat{n} \cdot \vec{j}$	<p>Faradays Law. <math>\uparrow</math> Flux</p> <p>Electromotive Force around <math>L</math> <math>\uparrow</math></p> <p>Rate of change of Magnetic flux through <math>S</math> <math>\uparrow</math></p> $\oint_L d\vec{r} \cdot \vec{E} = -\frac{d}{dt} \int_S d^2S \hat{n} \cdot \vec{B} = -\frac{d}{dt} \Phi$
	Inhomogeneous / Source	Homogeneous / No source

## Action Principle for Electrodynamics:

Action:  $S[\phi, A] = \int dt L$

Lagrangian  $L = \int d^3r \mathcal{L} \leftarrow$  Lagrangian Density.

For Electrodynamics:

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2 - \frac{1}{2\mu_0} B^2 + [\vec{j} \cdot \vec{A} - \rho\phi]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 |-\vec{\nabla}\phi - \partial_t \vec{A}|^2 - \frac{1}{2\mu_0} |\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}|^2 + [\vec{j} \cdot \vec{A} - \rho\phi]$$

pure electromagnetic.

Matter / Electrodynamics  
coupling

we left  
out pure matter  
term.

Gauge Invariance of  $\vec{E}$  and  $\vec{B}$ :

Suppose we shift  $\phi$  and  $\vec{A}$  via a single function  $\chi(\vec{r}, t)$ .

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{ll} \phi \rightarrow \phi - \partial_t \chi & (\text{Time}) \\ \vec{A} \rightarrow \vec{A} + \vec{\nabla} \chi & (\text{Space}) \end{array}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \text{Then } \vec{E} &= -\vec{\nabla} \phi - \partial_t \vec{A} \\ &= -\vec{\nabla}(\phi - \partial_t \chi) - \partial_t (\vec{A} + \vec{\nabla} \chi) \\ &= -\vec{\nabla} \phi - \partial_t \vec{A} + \partial_t \vec{\nabla} \chi - \partial_t \vec{\nabla} \chi \\ \vec{E} &= -\vec{\nabla} \phi - \partial_t \vec{A} \quad \leftarrow \text{unchanged.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \vec{B} &= \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} \\ &= \vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{A} + \vec{\nabla} \chi) \\ &= \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} + \underbrace{\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \chi)}_{\vec{e}_i \partial_i \times (\vec{e}_j \partial_j \chi) = \epsilon_{ijk} \vec{e}_k \partial_i \partial_j \chi} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\epsilon_{ijk} \hat{e}_k \partial_i \partial_j \chi + \epsilon_{jik} \hat{e}_k \partial_j \partial_i \chi) \\ \vec{B} &= \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{ijk} \hat{e}_k (\partial_i \partial_j \chi - \partial_j \partial_i \chi) \end{aligned}$$



Examine the change in  $L$  due to shifts in  $\phi, A$

$$\begin{aligned}
 L &= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 |-\vec{\nabla} \phi - \partial_t \vec{A}|^2 - \frac{1}{2\mu_0} |\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}|^2 + [\vec{A} \cdot \vec{j} - \rho \phi] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 |-\vec{\nabla}(\phi - \partial_t \chi) - \partial_t (\vec{A} + \vec{\nabla} \chi)|^2 - \frac{1}{2\mu_0} |\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{A} + \vec{\nabla} \chi)|^2 \\
 &\quad + [(\vec{A} + \vec{\nabla} \chi) \cdot \vec{j} - \rho(\phi - \partial_t \chi)] \quad \begin{array}{l} \nearrow \text{we know } E \text{ and } B \\ \text{fields don't change} \\ \text{under shift} \end{array} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 |-\vec{\nabla} \phi - \partial_t \vec{A}|^2 - \frac{1}{2\mu_0} |\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}|^2 + [\vec{A} \cdot \vec{j} - \rho \phi] \\
 &\quad + \underbrace{(\vec{j} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \chi + \rho \partial_t \chi)}_{\substack{[\vec{\nabla}(\vec{j} \cdot \chi) - (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j}) \chi] + [\partial_t(\rho \chi) - \chi \partial_t \rho]}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\hookrightarrow \underbrace{[\vec{\nabla}(\vec{j} \cdot \chi) + \partial_t(\rho \chi)]}_{=0, \text{ since } \rho, j \text{ vanish}} - \chi \underbrace{[\partial_t \rho + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j}]}_{=0 \text{ by continuity Equation.}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Surface terms  
i.e. full derivative.

far away in space and time,  
these do not contribute in  
the action.

Q: why can't we use this  
argument for this as well?

$\therefore$  Action  $S$ , is also invariant with (charge conservation)  
Continuity equation

## Going Back to Action Principle:

If we make slight variation:  $\phi \rightarrow \phi + \delta\phi$   
 $A \rightarrow A + \delta A$   
 $\uparrow$

Assume variation vanishes in the distant past and future, and far away in space.

$$S = \int dt \int d^3r \mathcal{L}$$

$$S(\phi, A) = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 \int dt \int d^3r \left[ |\vec{\nabla}\phi - \partial_t \vec{A}|^2 - c^2 |\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}|^2 \right] \\ + \int dt \int d^3r [\vec{A} \cdot \vec{j} - \rho\phi]$$

$$\Rightarrow S(\phi + \delta\phi, A + \delta A) = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 \int dt \int d^3r \left[ |\vec{\nabla}(\phi + \delta\phi) - \partial_t(\vec{A} + \delta\vec{A})|^2 \right. \\ \left. - c^2 |\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{A} + \delta\vec{A})|^2 \right] + \int dt \int d^3r [(\vec{A} + \delta\vec{A}) \cdot \vec{j} - \rho(\phi + \delta\phi)] \\ = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 \int dt \int d^3r \left[ |\vec{\nabla}\phi + \vec{\nabla}\delta\phi + \partial_t \vec{A} + \partial_t \delta\vec{A}|^2 \right. \\ \left. - c^2 |\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} + \vec{\nabla} \times \delta\vec{A}|^2 \right] + \int dt \int d^3r [\vec{A} \cdot \vec{j} - \rho\phi + \delta\vec{A} \cdot \vec{j} - \rho\delta\phi] \\ = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 \int dt \int d^3r |\vec{\nabla}\phi + \partial_t \vec{A}|^2 + 2\vec{\nabla}\phi \cdot (\vec{\nabla}\delta\phi + \partial_t \delta\vec{A}) \\ + 2\partial_t \vec{A} \cdot (\vec{\nabla}\delta\phi + \partial_t \delta\vec{A}) - c^2 (|\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}|^2 + 2(\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \delta\vec{A})) \\ + \int dt \int d^3r (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{j} - \rho\phi + \delta\vec{A} \cdot \vec{j} - \rho\delta\phi) + \mathcal{O}(\delta^2)$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \delta S &= S(\phi + \delta\phi, A + \delta A) - S(\phi, A) \\
 &= \epsilon_0 \int dt \int d^3r \left[ (\vec{\nabla}\phi + \partial_t \vec{A}) \cdot (\vec{\nabla}\delta\phi + \partial_t \vec{\delta A}) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - c^2 (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\delta A}) \right] \\
 &\quad + \int dt \int d^3r (\vec{\delta A} \cdot \vec{j} - \rho \delta\phi) + \mathcal{O}(\delta^2) \\
 &= \epsilon_0 \int dt \int d^3r [\vec{\delta A} \cdot \vec{j} - \rho \delta\phi]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &+ (\vec{\nabla}\phi + \partial_t \vec{A}) \cdot \vec{\nabla}\delta\phi \rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \cdot [\delta\phi (\vec{\nabla}\phi + \partial_t \vec{A})] - \delta\phi \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\nabla}\phi + \partial_t \vec{A}) \\
 &+ (\vec{\nabla}\phi + \partial_t \vec{A}) \cdot \partial_t \vec{\delta A} \rightarrow \partial_t [\vec{\delta A} \cdot (\vec{\nabla}\phi + \partial_t \vec{A})] - \vec{\delta A} \cdot \partial_t (\vec{\nabla}\phi + \partial_t \vec{A}) \\
 &- c^2 (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\delta A})
 \end{aligned}$$

Note:  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot [\vec{\delta A} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A})] = \partial_j [\epsilon_{jkl} \delta A_k (\epsilon_{lmn} \partial_m A_n)]$

(-) sign since  $\epsilon_{jkl} \partial_j (\dots)_l$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\hookrightarrow \underbrace{\epsilon_{jkl} (\partial_j \delta A_k)}_{(\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\delta A})_l} (\epsilon_{lmn} \partial_m A_n) + \delta A_k \underbrace{(\epsilon_{jkl} \partial_j (\epsilon_{lmn} \partial_m A_n))}_{(\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}))_k} \\
 &= (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\delta A})_l (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A})_l - \vec{\delta A}_k (\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}))_k \\
 &= (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\delta A}) \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) - \vec{\delta A} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}))
 \end{aligned}$$

hence:  $(\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\delta A}) \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) = \vec{\nabla} \cdot [\vec{\delta A} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A})] + \vec{\delta A} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}))$

Then collect terms:

$$\delta S = \epsilon_0 \int dt \int d^3r \left\{ \frac{-1}{\epsilon_0} \rho \delta\phi + \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \vec{\delta A} \cdot \vec{j} - \delta\phi \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\nabla}\phi + \partial_t \vec{A}) \right. \\ \left. - \delta\vec{A} \cdot \partial_t (\vec{\nabla}\phi + \partial_t \vec{A}) - c^2 \delta\vec{A} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A})) \right\}$$

Non vanishing terms  $\rightarrow$

$$= 0 \quad \left\{ + \epsilon_0 \int dt \int d^3r \left\{ \vec{\nabla} \cdot [\delta\phi (\vec{\nabla}\phi + \partial_t \vec{A}) + \partial_t [\vec{\delta A} \cdot (\vec{\nabla}\phi + \partial_t \vec{A})] \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. - c^2 \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\delta A} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A})) \right\} \right.$$

Boundary or Surface terms that vanishes.

Now consider  $\delta S = 0$

then if we group by  $\delta\phi$  and  $\delta\vec{A}$ :

$\delta\phi$  Terms:

$$\hookrightarrow (-\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\nabla}\phi + \partial_t \vec{A}) - \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}) \delta\phi = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow \vec{\nabla} \cdot (-\vec{\nabla}\phi - \partial_t \vec{A}) = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \boxed{\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}}$$

$\delta\vec{A}$  Terms:

$$-\delta\vec{A} \cdot \partial_t (\vec{\nabla}\phi + \partial_t \vec{A}) - c^2 \delta\vec{A} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A})) + \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \delta\vec{A} \cdot \vec{j}$$

$$\delta\vec{A} \cdot [-\partial_t (\vec{\nabla}\phi + \partial_t \vec{A}) - c^2 (\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A})) + \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \vec{j}] = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow \vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0 c^2} \vec{j} + \frac{1}{c^2} \partial_t (-\vec{\nabla}\phi - \partial_t \vec{A})$$

$$\boxed{\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{j} + \frac{1}{c^2} \partial_t \vec{E}}$$

From the definition of  $\vec{E}, \vec{B}$  are gauge invariant.  
 $\vec{E} = -\vec{\nabla}\phi - \partial_t \vec{A}$   
 $\vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}$

We see that  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = \underbrace{\vec{\nabla} \times (-\vec{\nabla}\phi)}_{=0} - \vec{\nabla} \times (\partial_t \vec{A})$

$$\boxed{\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\partial_t \vec{B}}$$

And likewise:  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A})$

$$\boxed{\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0}$$

And the result of Inhomogeneous Equations from action principle:

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \underbrace{(-\vec{\nabla}\phi - \partial_t \vec{A})}_{\vec{E}} &= \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \rho \\ \underbrace{\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A})}_{\vec{B}} - \frac{1}{c^2} \partial_t \underbrace{(-\vec{\nabla}\phi - \partial_t \vec{A})}_{\vec{E}} &= \mu_0 \vec{j} \end{aligned}}$$

Therefore, if  $\phi, \vec{A}$  both satisfy the equation above  $\nearrow$   
then their gauge transformed counter-part  $\phi', \vec{A}'$ , given by

$$\phi \rightarrow \phi' = \phi - \partial_t \chi$$

$$\vec{A} \rightarrow \vec{A}' = \vec{A} + \vec{\nabla} \chi$$

also satisfy the equation.

Proof:

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot (-\vec{\nabla}(\phi - \mathcal{A}_t \chi) - \mathcal{A}_t(\vec{A} + \vec{\nabla} \chi)) = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \rho$$

$$\hookrightarrow \vec{\nabla} \cdot (-\vec{\nabla} \phi - \mathcal{A}_t \vec{A}) - \cancel{\mathcal{A}_t \vec{\nabla} \chi} + \mathcal{A}_t \vec{\nabla} \chi = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \rho$$

$$\hookrightarrow \vec{\nabla} \cdot (-\vec{\nabla} \phi - \mathcal{A}_t \vec{A}) = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \rho$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{A} + \vec{\nabla} \chi)) - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (-\vec{\nabla}(\phi - \mathcal{A}_t \chi) - \mathcal{A}_t(\vec{A} + \vec{\nabla} \chi)) = \mu_0 \vec{j}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times (\underbrace{\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}}_0 + \underbrace{\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\nabla} \chi}_0) - \mathcal{A}_t (-\vec{\nabla} \phi - \mathcal{A}_t \vec{A} + \cancel{\mathcal{A}_t \vec{\nabla} \chi} - \cancel{\mathcal{A}_t \vec{\nabla} \chi}) = \mu_0 \vec{j}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) - \mathcal{A}_t (-\vec{\nabla} \phi - \mathcal{A}_t \vec{A}) = \mu_0 \vec{j}$$

## Theorems of vector calculus

### Theorem 1:

a function of position  $\vec{F}(\vec{r})$  can be decomposed into:

$$\boxed{\vec{F} = -\vec{\nabla} U + \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{W}}$$

However, the choice of  $U$  and  $\vec{W}$  are not unique.

Say we have  $\vec{F} = yz \hat{x} + zx \hat{y} + xy \hat{z}$ , we note that

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{F} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F} = 0.$$

However  $\vec{F}$  does not vanish at  $\infty$ . Here we state:

the only vector function,  $\vec{F}$ , with zero divergence and curl which also vanishes at  $\infty$  is zero everywhere.

### Helmholtz Theorem:

Suppose we don't know  $\vec{F}(\vec{r})$ , but given:

$$\text{i) } \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{F} = D \qquad \text{ii) } \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F} = \vec{C}$$

$$\text{iii) } \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F}) = \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{C} = 0$$

then we can uniquely determine  $\vec{F}$  if  $D(\vec{r})$  and  $\vec{C}(\vec{r})$  vanishes fast enough as  $r \rightarrow \infty$ .

where

$$\vec{F} = -\vec{\nabla}U + \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\omega}$$

curl-free component  $\vec{c}^{\parallel}$       div-free component  $\vec{c}^{\perp}$

and

$$U = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\text{all space}} \frac{D(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d\tau' \quad \uparrow \text{volume}$$

and

$$\vec{\omega} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\text{all space}} \frac{\vec{c}(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d\tau' \quad \uparrow \text{volume.}$$

given  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{F} = D$  and  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F} = \vec{c}$

Proof: Take divergence of  $\vec{F}$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{F} = \vec{\nabla} \cdot (-\vec{\nabla}U + \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\omega}) = -\nabla^2 U$$

let  $U = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int \frac{D(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d\tau'$

$$-\nabla^2 U = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int D(\vec{r}') \underbrace{\nabla_{\vec{r}}^2 \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}}_{-4\pi \delta^{(3)}(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')} d\tau'$$

$$= \int D(\vec{r}') \delta^{(3)}(\vec{r} - \vec{r}') d\tau'$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{F} = D(\vec{r}) \quad \checkmark$$



Now take the curl:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F} &= \vec{\nabla} \times (-\underbrace{\vec{\nabla} U}_{=0} + \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{w}) \\ &= \vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{w}) \\ &= -\nabla^2 \vec{w} + \vec{\nabla}(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{w})\end{aligned}$$

Calculate term by term:

$$\begin{aligned}-\nabla^2 \vec{w} &= -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int \vec{C}(\vec{r}') \underbrace{\nabla^2 \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}}_{-4\pi \delta^3(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')} d\tau' \\ &= \vec{C}(\vec{r})\end{aligned}$$

We then need to prove  $\vec{\nabla}(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{w}) = 0$  Scalar & gradient.

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{w} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int \vec{C}(\vec{r}') \cdot \vec{\nabla} \left( \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \right) d\tau'$$

and since  $\vec{\nabla} \left( \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \right) = -\vec{\nabla}' \left( \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \right)$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \int \vec{C}(\vec{r}') \cdot \vec{\nabla}' \left( \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \right) d\tau'$$

Integration  
by parts

$$\Rightarrow = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int \left\{ \underbrace{\vec{\nabla}' \cdot \left( \vec{C}(\vec{r}') \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \right)}_{\text{Surface term}} - \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \underbrace{\vec{\nabla}' \cdot \vec{C}(\vec{r}')}_{\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F}) = 0} \right\} d\tau'$$

by Gauss's Theorem

$$\hookrightarrow \oint \vec{C}(\vec{r}') \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \cdot d\vec{a}'$$

$$= 0 \text{ if } \vec{C}(\vec{r}') \rightarrow 0 \text{ at } \infty$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{w} = 0$$

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These solutions are generally not unique since we can always add any vector functions that make divergence and curl to be zero.

But if we add constraint that  $\vec{F} \rightarrow 0$  as  $\vec{r} \rightarrow \infty$  then  $\vec{F}$  is uniquely defined.

proof: prove that the only vector function,  $\vec{K}(\vec{r})$ , with zero divergence and zero curl and vanishes at  $\infty$  is when  $\vec{K}(\vec{r}) = 0$ .

Since  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{K}(\vec{r}) = 0$ , then we can write

$$\vec{K}(\vec{r}) = \vec{\nabla} \phi$$

and since  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{K}(\vec{r}) = 0 \Rightarrow \nabla^2 \phi = 0$   $\leftarrow$  Laplace Equation

Uniqueness Theorem for Laplace's Theorem:

$\Rightarrow$  the solution to Laplace Equation in volume  $V$  is uniquely defined up to additive constant if the normal derivative of  $\phi$  is specified

In our case, imagine sphere,  $R \rightarrow \infty$ , and  $\vec{K}(\vec{r})$  vanishes on the boundary, when  $\partial_r \phi = 0$  is when  $\phi(r=R) = \text{const}$ . Since  $\phi = \text{const}$  is the solution to the Laplace equation and a unique one by the uniqueness theorem, then  $\vec{K}(\vec{r}) = \vec{\nabla} \phi = 0$  everywhere is also unique

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 $\Rightarrow$  Hence the only vector function with zero divergence and zero curl which vanishes at  $\infty$  is zero everywhere.

$\Rightarrow$  Since the only way to make solutions of  $\vec{F}$  not unique is to add vector functions aside from  $U$  and  $\vec{w}$  that would make  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{F} = 0$   $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F} = 0$ , but theorem above says that the only possible unique solution for that to happen is when that vector function  $= 0$ , hence the solution  $\vec{F}$  given by  $\vec{F} = -\vec{\nabla}U + \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{w}$  is uniquely defined.

$\Rightarrow$  Now is  $U$  and  $\vec{w}$  themselves uniquely defined, that is change  $U$  and  $\vec{w}$  but  $\vec{\nabla}U$  and  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{w}$  remains unchanged.

$\Rightarrow$  We note that  $\vec{\nabla}U$  is uniquely determined up to an additive constant. If we add the condition that  $U$  vanishes at  $r \rightarrow \infty$ , then  $U$  is uniquely defined.

$\Rightarrow$  Similarly  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{w}$  is also uniquely defined but can still add the gradient of any scalar function.

$\Rightarrow$  The invariance of  $\vec{F}$  (field) while vector potential ( $\vec{A}$ )  $\vec{w}$  changes by the gradient of scalar function is called gauge invariance.

$\Rightarrow$  We often choose the gauge  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{w} = 0$ , and we ask whether we can change  $\vec{w}$  but maintain its gauge and curl, or add changes such that they produce zero divergence and curl. Ans: If we require  $w \rightarrow 0$  at  $r \rightarrow \infty$ , then only possible function is zero everywhere.

Ex. Electrostatic:

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \rho / \epsilon_0$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\partial_t \vec{B} = 0$$

then  $\vec{E} = -\vec{\nabla} U + \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\omega}$

$$U = V = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int \underbrace{D(\vec{r}')}_{\rho/\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d\tau' = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\rho}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d\tau'$$

$$\omega = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int \underbrace{\vec{C}(\vec{r}')}_{=0} \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d\tau' = 0$$

Magneto-static:

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

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \frac{1}{c^2} \partial_t \vec{E} + \mu_0 \vec{j}$$

$$\vec{B} = -\vec{\nabla} U + \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\omega}$$

$$U = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int \underbrace{D(\vec{r}')}_{=0} \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d\tau' = 0$$

$$\vec{A} = \vec{\omega} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int \underbrace{\vec{C}(\vec{r}')}_{\mu_0 \vec{j}} \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d\tau' = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{j}}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d\tau'$$

$$\vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}$$

