

# Physics 200: Fundamental Equations

## Maxwell's Equations

Gauss's Law for Electric Fields:  $\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{Q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0} = 4\pi k Q_{enc}$

Gauss's Law for Magnetic Fields:  $\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{A} = 0$

Electric Flux:  $\Phi_E = \int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A}$ ; Magnetic Flux:  $\Phi_B = \int \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{A}$

Ampère/Maxwell:  $\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{\ell} = \mu_0 I_{enc} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{d\Phi_E}{dt}$

Faraday's Law:  $\mathcal{E}_{ind} = \oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{\ell} = -\frac{d\Phi_B}{dt}$

## Fields, Forces and Energy

Electric Field:  $d\vec{E} = \frac{kQ}{r^2} \hat{r} = \frac{kQ}{r^3} \vec{r}$ ;  $\vec{F}_E = q\vec{E}$

Electric Potential (Voltage):  $V_a - V_b = \int_a^b \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{\ell}$ ;  $E_x = -\frac{dV}{dx}$ ;  $dV = \frac{kQ}{r}$

Electrostatic Energy:  $U_{of q} = qV$

Dielectrics:  $\epsilon = \kappa \epsilon_0$

Magnetic Field:  $d\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I d\vec{\ell} \times \vec{r}}{r^3} = \frac{\mu_0 I d\vec{\ell} \times \hat{r}}{r^2}$

Magnetic Force:  $d\vec{F} = I d\vec{\ell} \times \vec{B}$ ;  $\vec{F}_B = I \vec{\ell} \times \vec{B}$

Magnetic Dipole:  $\vec{\mu} = NI\vec{A}$ ;  $\vec{\tau} = \vec{\mu} \times \vec{B}$

## Circuits

Resistors:  $dR = \frac{\rho dL}{A}$ ;  $R_{series} = \sum_i R_i$ ;  $R_{parallel} = (\sum_i R_i^{-1})^{-1}$

Capacitors:  $C = \frac{Q}{V}$ ;  $U_C = \frac{1}{2} CV^2$ ;  $C_{series} = (\sum_i C_i^{-1})^{-1}$ ;  $C_{parallel} = \sum_i C_i$ ;  $C = \kappa \epsilon_0$

Ohm's Law:  $V = IR$

Current:  $I = \frac{dQ}{dt} = n|q|v_d A$

Power:  $P = IV$

Kirchoff's Laws:  $\sum_i V_i = 0$ ;  $\sum_i I_i = \sum_j I_j$

RC & LR Circuits: Charging and Discharging equations take the form of  $e^{-t/\tau}$  and  $1 - e^{-t/\tau}$

$\tau_{RC} = RC$ ;  $\tau_{LR} = \frac{L}{R}$

AC Circuits:  $X_C = \frac{1}{\omega C}$ ;  $V_C = IX_C$ ;  $Z = \sqrt{R^2 + X_C^2}$ ;  $V = IZ$ ;  $V_{rms} = \frac{V_{peak}}{\sqrt{2}}$

Inductors:  $\mathcal{E}_{ind} = -L \frac{dI}{dt}$ ;  $L = \frac{N^2 \mu_0 \mu_r A}{l}$ ;  $U_L = \frac{1}{2} LI^2$

Inductance:  $M_{12} = \frac{\mu_0 N_1 N_2 A}{2l}$ ;  $\kappa = \frac{M_{12}}{I_1 I_2}$

## Electromagnetic Waves, Optics and Field Energy Density

Field Energy Density:  $u_{E} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2$ ;  $u_{B} = \frac{1}{2\mu_0} B^2$

Momentum:  $\vec{p} = \frac{U}{c} \hat{n}$

Wave Properties:  $v = \lambda f$ ;  $\vec{k} = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \hat{n}$ ;  $\omega = 2\pi f$ ;  $\vec{B}_0 = \frac{c}{v} \vec{E}_0$

Intensity:  $I = c \epsilon_0 E_{rms}^2 = \frac{P}{A}$

Reflection/Refraction:  $n_1 \sin \theta_1 = n_2 \sin \theta_2$ ;  $n_2 \cos \theta_2 = n_1 \cos \theta_1 + n_2 \cos \theta_t$

## Additional Information/Useful Constants

Common Electric Fields:  $E_{inf sheet} = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0}$ ;  $E_{inf line} = \frac{2k\lambda}{r}$ ;  $E_{charged ring} = \frac{kQx}{(x^2+a^2)^{3/2}}$ ;  $C_{parallel plate} = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d}$

Common Magnetic Fields:  $B_{inf wire} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi r}$ ;  $B_{solenoid} = \mu_0 n I$ ;  $L_{solenoid} = \mu_0 n^2 A l$ ;  $B_{current loop} = \frac{\mu_0 N I R^2}{2(x^2+R^2)^{3/2}}$

Fundamental Charge:  $e = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} C$ ; Electron Mass:  $m_e = 9.109 \times 10^{-31} kg$

Proton Mass:  $m_p = 1.673 \times 10^{-27} kg$

$k = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} = 9 \times 10^9 \frac{Nm^2}{C^2}$ ;  $\epsilon_0 = 8.854 \times 10^{-12} \frac{F}{m}$

$\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \approx 12.566 \times 10^{-7} \frac{Tm}{A}$

$c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}} = 3 \times 10^8 \frac{m}{s}$

## Vector Derivatives

### Cartesian Coordinates

$$d\ell = \hat{i} dx + \hat{j} dy + \hat{k} dz, \quad dV = dx dy dz$$

$$\nabla f = \hat{i} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} = \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial z}$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{A} = \hat{i} \left( \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial z} \right) + \hat{j} \left( \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial x} \right) + \hat{k} \left( \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial y} \right)$$

$$\nabla^2 f = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z^2}$$

### Cylindrical Coordinates

$$d\ell = \hat{r} dr + \hat{\phi} r d\phi + \hat{k} dz, \quad dV = r dr d\phi dz$$

$$\nabla f = \hat{r} \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} + \hat{\phi} \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \phi} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r A_r) + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial A_\phi}{\partial \phi} + \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial z}$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{A} = \hat{r} \left( \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial \phi} - \frac{\partial A_\phi}{\partial z} \right) + \hat{\phi} \left( \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial r} \right) + \hat{k} \left[ \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r A_\phi) - \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial \phi} \right]$$

$$\nabla^2 f = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \phi^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z^2}$$

### Spherical Coordinates

$$d\ell = \hat{r} dr + \hat{\theta} r d\theta + \hat{\phi} r \sin \theta d\phi, \quad dV = r^2 \sin \theta dr d\theta d\phi$$

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

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r^2 A_r) + \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\sin \theta A_\theta) + \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial A_\phi}{\partial \phi}$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{A} = \frac{\hat{r}}{r \sin \theta} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\sin \theta A_\phi) - \frac{\partial A_\theta}{\partial \phi} \right] + \frac{\hat{\theta}}{r} \left[ \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial \phi} - \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r A_\phi) \right] + \frac{\hat{\phi}}{r} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r A_\theta) - \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial \theta} \right]$$

$$\nabla^2 f = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \sin \theta \frac{\partial f}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \phi^2}$$

## Vector Formulas

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}) = (\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) \cdot \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{C} \cdot (\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) = (\mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{A}) \cdot \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B} \cdot (\mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{A})$$

$$\mathbf{A} \times (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}) = \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{C}) - \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B})$$

$$(\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) \cdot (\mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{D}) = (\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{C})(\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{D}) - (\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{D})(\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{C})$$

### Derivatives of Sums

$$\nabla(f + g) = \nabla f + \nabla g$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}$$

$$\nabla \times (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) = \nabla \times \mathbf{A} + \nabla \times \mathbf{B}$$

### Derivatives of Products

$$\nabla(fg) = f\nabla g + g\nabla f$$

$$\nabla(\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B}) = \mathbf{A} \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{B}) + \mathbf{B} \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{A}) + (\mathbf{A} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{B} + (\mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{A}$$

$$\nabla \cdot (f\mathbf{A}) = f(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}) + \mathbf{A} \cdot (\nabla f)$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) = \mathbf{B} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{A}) - \mathbf{A} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{B})$$

$$\nabla \times (f\mathbf{A}) = f(\nabla \times \mathbf{A}) - \mathbf{A} \times (\nabla f)$$

$$\nabla \times (\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) = \mathbf{A}(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}) - \mathbf{B}(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}) + (\mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{A} - (\mathbf{A} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{B}$$

### Second Derivatives

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{A}) = \nabla(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}) - \nabla^2 \mathbf{A}$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{A}) = 0$$

$$\nabla \times (\nabla f) = 0$$

### Integral Theorems

$$\int_V (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}) dV = \oint_S \mathbf{A} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}} dS \quad \text{Gauss's (divergence) Theorem}$$

$$\int_S (\nabla \times \mathbf{A}) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}} dS = \oint_C \mathbf{A} \cdot d\mathbf{l} \quad \text{Stokes's (curl) Theorem}$$

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

$$\int_V (f\nabla^2 g - g\nabla^2 f) dV = \oint_S (f\nabla g - g\nabla f) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}} dS \quad \text{Green's Theorem}$$

## Chapter 5, 6, 7, 8 useful relationships

### *Separation of variables general solutions*

Cartesian:  $V(x, y, z)$  as combinations of  $\cos(kx) + \sin(kx)$  or  $\cosh(kx) + \sinh(kx)$   
or  $e^{kx} + e^{-kx}$

Spherical:  $V(r, \theta) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (A_l r^l + B_l r^{-l-1}) P_l(\cos(\theta))$

Cylindrical:  $V(r, \varphi) = A \ln(r) + B + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (A_n r^n + B_n r^{-n}) (C_n \cos(n\varphi) + D_n \sin(n\varphi))$

**Legendre polynomials:**  $P_0(x) = 1$ ;  $P_1(x) = x$ ;  $P_2(x) = \frac{3}{2}x^2 - 1$ ;  $P_3(x) = \frac{5}{2}x^3 - \frac{3}{2}x$

Legendre orthogonality relationship:  $\int_{-1}^1 P_n(x) P_l(x) dx = \delta_{nl} \frac{2}{2n+1}$

### *Polarization relationships*

$$\vec{p} = \alpha \vec{E} \quad \vec{P} = \chi_e \varepsilon_0 \vec{E} \quad \varepsilon = \varepsilon_0 (1 + \chi_e) \quad \kappa = 1 + \chi_e = \frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon_0}$$

$$\sigma_b = \hat{n} \cdot \vec{P} \quad \rho_b = -\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{P}$$

$$\vec{P} = n \vec{p} \quad \alpha = \frac{3\varepsilon_0 \kappa - 1}{n \kappa + 2}$$

$$\vec{D} = \varepsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P} = \varepsilon \vec{E} \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D} = \rho_f$$

### *Current and current densities*

$$I = \frac{dQ}{dt} = q n_L v \quad dI = \vec{j} \cdot d\vec{A} \quad \vec{j} = q n \vec{v} \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j} = -\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t}$$

$$\vec{j} = \sigma \vec{E} \quad dI = \vec{K} \cdot \hat{e}_{\perp} dl \quad RC = \frac{\varepsilon}{\sigma}$$

### *Magnetic vector potential*

$$\vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A} \quad \vec{A}(\vec{x}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{j}(\vec{x}')}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} d^3x'$$

## Chapter 9, 10, 11 useful relationships

### *Magnetization relationships*

$$\vec{M} = \chi_m \vec{H} \quad \mu = \mu_0(1 + \chi_m)$$

$$\vec{J}_b = \nabla \times \vec{M} \quad \vec{K}_b = \vec{M} \times \hat{n}$$

$$\vec{H} = \frac{\vec{B}}{\mu_0} - \vec{M} = \frac{\vec{B}}{\mu}$$

### *Forms of Faraday's Law*

$$EMF = -\frac{d\Phi}{dt} \quad \nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \quad \oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = -\frac{d}{dt} \int \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{A}$$

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = -\int \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \cdot d\vec{A}$$

### *Momentum & energy*

$$\vec{S} = \frac{\vec{E} \times \vec{B}}{\mu_0} \quad u_{em} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2 + \frac{1}{2\mu_0} B^2 \quad \frac{d\vec{P}}{dV} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \vec{S}$$

### *Boundary conditions in matter*

$$D_{2,perp} - D_{1,perp} = \sigma_f \quad B_{1,perp} = B_{2,perp}$$

$$\vec{E}_{1,parallel} = \vec{E}_{2,parallel} \quad \vec{H}_{2,parallel} - \vec{H}_{1,parallel} = \vec{K} \times \hat{n}$$

### *Potentials & Gauges*

$$\vec{E} = -\nabla V - \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t} \quad \vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A} \quad \text{Coulomb:} \quad \nabla \cdot \vec{A} = 0$$

$$\text{Transforms:} \quad V \rightarrow V - \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} \quad \vec{A} \rightarrow \vec{A} + \nabla f \quad \text{Lorentz:} \quad \nabla \cdot \vec{A} = -\epsilon_0 \mu_0 \frac{\partial V}{\partial t}$$