

Maxwell's electromagnetic field equation:

There are four fundamental equation of electromagnetism known as Maxwell's equations which may be written in differential form as

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D} = \rho \quad \text{--- (a)}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \quad \text{--- (b)}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \quad \text{--- (c)}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H} = \vec{J} + \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} \quad \text{--- (d)}$$

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

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

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

$$\text{and } \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu \left(\vec{J} + \epsilon \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} \right)$$

Here \vec{D} = electric displacement vector in coul/m²

ρ = charge density in coul/m³

\vec{B} = magnetic induction in wb/m²

\vec{E} = electric field intensity in volt/m

and \vec{H} = magnetic field intensity in A/m turn.

Each of Maxwell's equation represents a generalisation of certain experimental observation. Eqⁿ (a) represents the differential form of Gauss's law in electrostatics which in turn derive from Coulomb's Law, Eqⁿ (b) represents Gauss's Law in magnetostatics which is usually said to represent the fact that isolated magnetic poles do not exist in our physical world. Eqⁿ (c) represents differential form of Faraday's Laws of electromagnetic induction and finally Eqⁿ (d) represents modification of Ampere's Law to include time varying field.

Thus it is clear that Maxwell's equation represent mathematical expression of certain experimental results.

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Derivation of Maxwell's equation:

$$(1) \operatorname{div} \vec{D} = \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D} = \rho$$

Proof: Let us consider a surface S bounding a volume V in a dielectric medium. In dielectric medium total charge consists of free charge plus polarisation charge. If ρ and ρ_p are the charge densities of free charge and polarisation charge at a point in small volume element dV , then Gauss's Law can be expressed as

$$\int_S \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \int_V (\rho + \rho_p) dV$$

But polarisation charge density $\rho_p = -\operatorname{div} \vec{P}$

$$\therefore \int_S \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \int_V (\rho - \operatorname{div} \vec{P}) dV$$

$$\text{or } \int_S \epsilon_0 \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} = \int_V \rho dV - \int_V \operatorname{div} \vec{P} dV$$

From Gauss's divergence theorem

$$\int_S \epsilon_0 \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} = \int_V (\epsilon_0 \vec{E}) dV$$

$$\therefore \int_V (\epsilon_0 \vec{E}) dV = \int_V \rho dV - \int_V \operatorname{div} \vec{P} dV$$

$$\text{or } \int_V \operatorname{div} (\epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P}) dV = \int_V \rho dV \quad \text{--- (2) where } \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P} = \rho$$

But $\epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P} = \vec{D}$ = electric displacement vector

\therefore eqn (2) becomes

$\int_V \operatorname{div} (\vec{D} - \rho) dV = 0$ Since this equation is true for all volumes, therefore the integral in this eqn must vanish $\therefore \operatorname{div} \vec{D} - \rho = 0$

$$\text{or } \boxed{\operatorname{div} \vec{D} = \rho} \quad \text{--- 1st eqn}$$

$$\text{or } \boxed{\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D} = \rho} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$(ii) \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \text{ or } \operatorname{div} \vec{B} = 0$$

Proof: Since isolated magnetic poles and magnetic currents due to them have no physical significance, therefore magnetic lines of force in general are either closed curves or go off to infinity. Consequently the number of magnetic lines of force entering any arbitrary closed surface is exactly the same as leaving it. It means that the flux of magnetic induction \vec{B} across any closed surface is always zero.

$\therefore \int_S \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} = 0$ Using Gauss's divergence theorem to change surface integral into volume integral, we get $\int_V \operatorname{div} \vec{B} \cdot dV = 0$

As the surface bounding the volume is arbitrary, therefore this eqⁿ holds only if the integral vanishes

$$\text{i.e. } \left. \begin{array}{l} \therefore \operatorname{div} \vec{B} = 0 \\ \text{or } \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \end{array} \right\} \text{ 2nd eqⁿ}$$

$$(iii) \operatorname{Curl} \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \text{ or } \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$$

Proof: By Faraday's Law, we know that emf induced in closed loop is given by $e = -\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} = -\int \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \cdot d\vec{s}$ — (4)

Since the flux $\phi = \int_S \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s}$, where S is any surface having the loop as boundary. The emf is the work done in carrying a unit charge completely around the loop. Thus

$$e = \oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} \text{ — (5)}$$

Where \vec{E} is the intensity of the field associated with induced emf \therefore From eqⁿ (4) and (5), we get

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

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By Stoke's theorem line integral can be transformed into surface integral. $\therefore \int_S (\nabla \times \vec{E}) \cdot d\vec{s} = - \int_S \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \cdot d\vec{s}$

This integral is true for any surface whether small or large in the field

$$\therefore \begin{cases} \nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \\ \text{Curl } \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \end{cases} \quad \text{--- (6)} \\ \rightarrow \text{3rd eqn}$$

$$(iv) \text{Curl } \vec{H} = \vec{J} + \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t}$$

Proof: According to Ampere's circuital Law, the work done carrying a unit magnetic pole once round a closed arbitrary path linked with the current is expressed by

$\oint \vec{H} \cdot d\vec{l} = I \int \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{s}$ where integral on the right hand is taken over the surface through which the charge flow corresponding to the current I takes place.

Now changing the line integral into surface integral by Stoke's theorem $\int_S \text{Curl } \vec{H} \cdot d\vec{s} = \int \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{s}$

$$\therefore \text{Curl } \vec{H} = \vec{J} \quad \text{--- (7)}$$

But Maxwell's assumed that the definition of current density \vec{J} is incomplete and hence he added the displacement current density \vec{J}_d to find the total current \vec{C}

$$\therefore \vec{C} = \vec{J} + \vec{J}_d$$

$$\therefore \text{Curl } \vec{H} = \vec{C} = \vec{J} + \vec{J}_d \quad \text{--- (8)}$$

$$\text{or } \text{div} \cdot \text{Curl } \vec{H} = \text{div} (\vec{J} + \vec{J}_d) = 0$$

$$\therefore -\text{div } \vec{J}_d = \text{div } \vec{J} = \text{div} \left(-\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} \right)$$

$$\therefore \text{div } \vec{J}_d = \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t}$$

Gauss's divergence theorem

$$\text{div } \vec{D} = \rho$$

$$\therefore \text{div } \vec{J}_d = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\text{div } \vec{D}) = \text{div } \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} \quad \therefore \vec{J}_d = \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t}$$

\therefore eqn (8) becomes

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| $\text{curl } \vec{H} = \vec{J} + \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t}$ $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H} = \vec{J} + \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t}$ | <p>④</p> <p>→ 4th eqn</p> |
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Physical significance of Maxwell's equation:

(1) Maxwell's first equation is $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D} = \rho$

Integrating this over an arbitrary volume V , we get

$$\int_V (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D}) dv = \int_V \rho dv$$

Changing volume integral of L.H.S in surface integral by Gauss's divergence theorem, we get

$$\int_S \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{s} = \int_V \rho dv \quad \text{--- ①}$$

Where S is the surface

which bound the volume V . eqn represents Maxwell's 1st eqn $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D} = \rho$ in integral form.

Since $\int_V \rho dv = q$, the net charge contained in volume V .

The net outward flux of electric displacement vector through the surface enclosing volume is equal to the net charge contained within that volume.

(2) Maxwell's 2nd equation is $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$

Integrating this eqn over an arbitrary volume, we get

$$\int_V \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \quad \text{Using Gauss's divergence to change volume integral into surface integral, we get}$$

$$\int_S \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} = 0 \quad \text{--- ② where } S \text{ is the surface}$$

which bounds the volume V . Eqn ② represents

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Maxwell's 2nd eqⁿ in integral form

The net outward flux of magnetic induction \vec{B} through any closed surface is zero.

(3.) Maxwell's 3rd equation is $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$.

Integrating this eqⁿ over a surface S bounded by a curve C , we get

$$\int_C (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E}) \cdot d\vec{s} = - \int_S \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \cdot d\vec{s}$$

Using Stoke's theorem in converting surface integral on L.H.S of this eqⁿ into line integral along the boundary of C , we get

$$\int_C \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_S \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

This eqⁿ represents Maxwell's 3rd eqⁿ in integral form

The emf $\int_C \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l}$ around a closed path is equal to negative rate of change of magnetic flux linked with the path.

(4.) Maxwell's 4th equation is $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H} = \vec{J} + \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t}$.

Taking surface integral over S bounded by curve C , we obtain

$$\int_S (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H}) \cdot d\vec{s} = \int_S \left(\vec{J} + \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} \right) \cdot d\vec{s}$$

Using Stoke's theorem to convert surface integral on L.H.S of this eqⁿ into line integral, we get

$$\oint_C \vec{H} \cdot d\vec{l} = \int_S \left(\vec{J} + \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} \right) \cdot d\vec{s} \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

This eqⁿ represents Maxwell's 4th eqⁿ in integral form

The magnetomotive force (mmf = $\oint_C \vec{H} \cdot d\vec{l}$) around a closed path is equal to the conduction current plus displacement current through any surface bounded by the path.

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