

PHY 712 Electrodynamics
9-9:50 AM MWF Olin 105

Plan for Lecture 14:

Start reading Chapter 6

- 1. Maxwell's full equations; effects of time varying fields and sources**
- 2. Gauge choices and transformations**
- 3. Green's function for vector and scalar potentials**


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Full electrodynamics with time varying fields and sources

Maxwell's equations



"From a long view of the history of mankind - seen from, say, ten thousand years from now - there can be little doubt that the most significant event of the 19th century will be judged as Maxwell's discovery of the laws of electrodynamics"

Image of statue of James Clerk-Maxwell in Edinburgh

Richard P Feynman

<http://www.clerkmaxwellfoundation.org/>

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Maxwell's equations

Coulomb's law : $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = \rho_{free}$

Ampere - Maxwell's law : $\nabla \times \mathbf{H} - \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} = \mathbf{J}_{free}$

Faraday's law : $\nabla \times \mathbf{E} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = 0$

No magnetic monopoles : $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$

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Maxwell's equations

Microscopic or vacuum form ($\mathbf{P} = 0$; $\mathbf{M} = 0$):

Coulomb's law : $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = \rho / \epsilon_0$

Ampere - Maxwell's law : $\nabla \times \mathbf{B} - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} = \mu_0 \mathbf{J}$

Faraday's law : $\nabla \times \mathbf{E} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = 0$

No magnetic monopoles : $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$

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

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Formulation of Maxwell's equations in terms of vector and scalar potentials

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathbf{B} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A}$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \nabla \times \left(\mathbf{E} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t} \right) = 0$$

$$\mathbf{E} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t} = -\nabla \Phi$$

or $\mathbf{E} = -\nabla \Phi - \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t}$

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Formulation of Maxwell's equations in terms of vector and scalar potentials -- continued

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = \rho / \epsilon_0 :$$

$$-\nabla^2 \Phi - \frac{\partial(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A})}{\partial t} = \rho / \epsilon_0$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} = \mu_0 \mathbf{J}$$

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{A}) + \frac{1}{c^2} \left(\frac{\partial(\nabla \Phi)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{A}}{\partial t^2} \right) = \mu_0 \mathbf{J}$$

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Formulation of Maxwell's equations in terms of vector and scalar potentials -- continued

General form for the scalar and vector potential equations:

$$-\nabla^2 \Phi - \frac{\partial(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A})}{\partial t} = \rho / \epsilon_0$$

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{A}) + \frac{1}{c^2} \left(\frac{\partial(\nabla \Phi)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{A}}{\partial t^2} \right) = \mu_0 \mathbf{J}$$

Coulomb gauge form -- require $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}_C = 0$

$$-\nabla^2 \Phi_C = \rho / \epsilon_0$$

$$-\nabla^2 \mathbf{A}_C + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{A}_C}{\partial t^2} + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial(\nabla \Phi_C)}{\partial t} = \mu_0 \mathbf{J}$$

Note that $\mathbf{J} = \mathbf{J}_i + \mathbf{J}_t$ with $\nabla \times \mathbf{J}_i = 0$ and $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{J}_t = 0$

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Formulation of Maxwell's equations in terms of vector and scalar potentials -- continued

Coulomb gauge form -- require $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}_C = 0$

$$-\nabla^2 \Phi_C = \rho / \epsilon_0$$

$$-\nabla^2 \mathbf{A}_C + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{A}_C}{\partial t^2} + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial(\nabla \Phi_C)}{\partial t} = \mu_0 \mathbf{J}$$

Note that $\mathbf{J} = \mathbf{J}_i + \mathbf{J}_t$ with $\nabla \times \mathbf{J}_i = 0$ and $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{J}_t = 0$

Continuity equation for charge and current density :

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J}_i = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{J}_t = -\epsilon_0 \nabla \cdot \frac{\partial(\nabla \Phi_C)}{\partial t}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial(\nabla \Phi_C)}{\partial t} = \epsilon_0 \mu_0 \frac{\partial(\nabla \Phi_C)}{\partial t} = \mu_0 \mathbf{J}_t$$

$$-\nabla^2 \mathbf{A}_C + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{A}_C}{\partial t^2} = \mu_0 \mathbf{J}_t$$

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Formulation of Maxwell's equations in terms of vector and scalar potentials -- continued

Review of the general equations:

$$-\nabla^2\Phi - \frac{\partial(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A})}{\partial t} = \rho / \epsilon_0$$

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{A}) + \frac{1}{c^2} \left(\frac{\partial(\nabla\Phi)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{A}}{\partial t^2} \right) = \mu_0 \mathbf{J}$$

Lorentz gauge form -- require $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}_L + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial\Phi_L}{\partial t} = 0$

$$-\nabla^2\Phi_L + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2\Phi_L}{\partial t^2} = \rho / \epsilon_0$$

$$-\nabla^2\mathbf{A}_L + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2\mathbf{A}_L}{\partial t^2} = \mu_0 \mathbf{J}$$

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Formulation of Maxwell's equations in terms of vector and scalar potentials -- continued

Lorentz gauge form -- require $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}_L + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial\Phi_L}{\partial t} = 0$

$$-\nabla^2\Phi_L + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2\Phi_L}{\partial t^2} = \rho / \epsilon_0$$

$$-\nabla^2\mathbf{A}_L + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2\mathbf{A}_L}{\partial t^2} = \mu_0 \mathbf{J}$$

Alternate potentials : $\mathbf{A}'_L = \mathbf{A}_L + \nabla\Lambda$ and $\Phi'_L = \Phi_L - \frac{\partial\Lambda}{\partial t}$

Yields same physics provided that : $\nabla^2\Lambda - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2\Lambda}{\partial t^2} = 0$

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Solution of Maxwell's equations in the Lorentz gauge

$$\nabla^2\Phi_L - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2\Phi_L}{\partial t^2} = -\rho / \epsilon_0$$

$$\nabla^2\mathbf{A}_L - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2\mathbf{A}_L}{\partial t^2} = -\mu_0 \mathbf{J}$$

Consider the general form of the 3-dimensional wave equation :

$$\nabla^2\Psi - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2\Psi}{\partial t^2} = -4\pi f$$

$\Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) \Rightarrow$ wave field $f(\mathbf{r}, t) \Rightarrow$ source

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Solution of Maxwell's equations in the Lorentz gauge -- continued

Let Ψ represent Φ, A_x, A_y, A_z Let f represent ρ, J_x, J_y, J_z

$$\nabla^2 \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t)}{\partial t^2} = -4\pi f(\mathbf{r}, t)$$

Green's function :

$$\left(\nabla^2 - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \right) G(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{r}', t') = -4\pi \delta^3(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') \delta(t - t')$$

Formal solution for field $\Psi(\mathbf{r}, t)$:

$$\Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \Psi_{f=0}(\mathbf{r}, t) + \int d^3 r' \int dt' G(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{r}', t') f(\mathbf{r}', t')$$

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Solution of Maxwell's equations in the Lorentz gauge -- continued

Determination of the form for the Green's function :

$$\left(\nabla^2 - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \right) G(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{r}', t') = -4\pi \delta^3(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') \delta(t - t')$$

For the case of isotropic boundary values at infinity :

$$G(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{r}', t') = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} \delta\left(t' - \left(t - \frac{1}{c} |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|\right)\right)$$

Formal solution for field $\Psi(\mathbf{r}, t)$:

$$\Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \Psi_{f=0}(\mathbf{r}, t) + \int d^3 r' \int dt' \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} \delta\left(t' - \left(t - \frac{1}{c} |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|\right)\right) f(\mathbf{r}', t')$$

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Solution of Maxwell's equations in the Lorentz gauge -- continued

Analysis of the Green's function:

$$\left(\nabla^2 - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \right) G(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{r}', t') = -4\pi \delta^3(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') \delta(t - t')$$

"Proof" -- Fourier analysis in the time domain -- note that

$$\delta(t - t') = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega e^{i\omega(t-t')}$$

Define:

$$G(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{r}', t') = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega e^{i\omega(t-t')} \tilde{G}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\nabla^2 + \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \right) \tilde{G}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega) = -4\pi \delta^3(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')$$

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Solution of Maxwell's equations in the Lorentz gauge -- continued

Analysis of the Green's function (continued):

$$\left(\nabla^2 + \frac{\omega^2}{c^2}\right)\tilde{G}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega) = -4\pi\delta^3(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')$$

For the case of isotropic boundary values at infinity:

$$\tilde{G}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega) = \tilde{G}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}', \omega)$$

Further assuming that $\tilde{G}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}', \omega)$ is isotropic in $|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'| \equiv R$:

$$\left(\frac{1}{R} \frac{d^2}{dR^2} R + \frac{\omega^2}{c^2}\right)\tilde{G}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega) = -4\pi\delta^3(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')$$

Solution:
$$\tilde{G}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega) = \frac{1}{R} e^{\pm i\omega R/c}$$

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Solution of Maxwell's equations in the Lorentz gauge -- continued

Analysis of the Green's function (continued):

$$\tilde{G}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega) = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} e^{\pm i\omega|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|/c}$$

$$\begin{aligned} G(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{r}', t') &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega e^{i\omega(t-t')} \tilde{G}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega e^{i\omega(t-t')} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} e^{\pm i\omega|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|/c} \\ &= \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega e^{i\omega(t-t' \pm |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|/c)} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} \delta(t - t' \pm |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|/c) = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} \delta(t' - t \mp |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|/c) \end{aligned}$$

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Solution of Maxwell's equations in the Lorentz gauge -- continued

$$G(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{r}', t') = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} \delta\left(t' - \left(t \pm \frac{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|}{c}\right)\right)$$

Solution for field $\Psi(\mathbf{r}, t)$:

$$\Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \Psi_{f=0}(\mathbf{r}, t) +$$

$$\int d^3r' \int dt' \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} \delta\left(t' - \left(t - \frac{1}{c}|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|\right)\right) f(\mathbf{r}', t')$$

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Solution of Maxwell's equations in the Lorentz gauge -- continued

Liènard-Wiechert potentials and fields --
 Determination of the scalar and vector potentials for a moving point particle (also see Landau and Lifshitz *The Classical Theory of Fields*, Chapter 8.)

Consider the fields produced by the following source: a point charge q moving on a trajectory $\mathbf{R}_q(t)$.

Charge density: $\rho(\mathbf{r}, t) = q\delta^3(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t))$

Current density: $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r}, t) = q\dot{\mathbf{R}}_q(t)\delta^3(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t))$, where $\dot{\mathbf{R}}_q(t) \equiv \frac{d\mathbf{R}_q(t)}{dt}$.



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Solution of Maxwell's equations in the Lorentz gauge -- continued

$$\Phi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \int d^3r' dt' \frac{\rho(\mathbf{r}', t')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} \delta(t' - (t - |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|/c))$$

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 c^2} \int \int d^3r' dt' \frac{\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r}', t')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} \delta(t' - (t - |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|/c)).$$

We performing the integrations over first d^3r' and then dt' making use of the fact that for any function of t' ,

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt' f(t') \delta(t' - (t - |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t_r)|/c)) = \frac{f(t_r)}{1 - \frac{\dot{\mathbf{R}}_q(t_r) \cdot (\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t_r))}{c|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t_r)|}}$$

where the "retarded time" is defined to be

$$t_r \equiv t - \frac{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t_r)|}{c}.$$

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Solution of Maxwell's equations in the Lorentz gauge -- continued

Resulting scalar and vector potentials:

$$\Phi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{R - \frac{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{R}}{c}},$$

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 c^2} \frac{\mathbf{v}}{R - \frac{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{R}}{c}},$$

Notation: $\mathbf{R} \equiv \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t_r)$ $t_r \equiv t - \frac{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t_r)|}{c}$
 $\mathbf{v} \equiv \dot{\mathbf{R}}_q(t_r)$

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Comment on Lienard-Wiechert potential results

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt' f(t') \delta(t' - (t - |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t_r)|/c)) = \frac{f(t_r)}{1 - \frac{\dot{\mathbf{R}}_q(t_r) \cdot (\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t_r))}{c|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t_r)|}},$$

where the "retarded time" is defined to be

$$t_r \equiv t - \frac{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t_r)|}{c}.$$

Note that for any function $F(x)$:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(x) \delta(x - x_0) dx = F(x_0)$$

Now consider a function $p(x)$, for which $p(x_i) = 0$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(x) \delta(p(x)) dx &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(x) \left(\sum_i \delta\left(x - x_i \frac{dp}{dx}\bigg|_{x_i}\right) \right) dx \\ &= \sum_i \frac{F(x_i)}{\left| \frac{dp}{dx}\bigg|_{x_i}} \end{aligned}$$

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Comment on Lienard-Wiechert potential results -- continued

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt' f(t') \delta(t' - (t - |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t_r)|/c)) = \frac{f(t_r)}{1 - \frac{\dot{\mathbf{R}}_q(t_r) \cdot (\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t_r))}{c|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t_r)|}},$$

where the "retarded time" is defined to be

$$t_r \equiv t - \frac{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t_r)|}{c}.$$

In this case we have: $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t') \delta(p(t')) dt' = \frac{f(t_r)}{\left| 1 - \frac{\dot{\mathbf{R}}_q(t_r) \cdot (\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t_r))}{c|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t_r)|} \right|}$

where: $p(t') \equiv t' - \left(t - \frac{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t')|}{c} \right)$

$$\frac{dp(t')}{dt'} = 1 - \frac{\frac{d\mathbf{R}_q(t')}{dt'} \cdot (\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t'))}{c|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t')|} \equiv 1 - \frac{\dot{\mathbf{R}}_q(t') \cdot (\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t'))}{c|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t')|}$$

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Summary of results for fields due to moving charge –

Liénard Wiechert potentials

Resulting scalar and vector potentials:

$$\Phi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{R - \frac{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{R}}{c}},$$

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 c^2} \frac{\mathbf{v}}{R - \frac{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{R}}{c}},$$

Notation: $\mathbf{R} \equiv \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t_r)$

$$\mathbf{v} \equiv \dot{\mathbf{R}}_q(t_r), \quad t_r \equiv t - \frac{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_q(t_r)|}{c}.$$

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