



TFE4120 Electromagnetics - Crash course

Lecture 7: Summary

Friday August 19th, 9-12 am.

In this crash course we started out from Maxwell's equations for the electric field \mathbf{E} and the magnetic field \mathbf{B} :

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}, \quad (1)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0, \quad (2)$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}, \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{1}{\mu_0} \nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{J}, \quad (4)$$

where ρ is the total charge density, and \mathbf{J} the total current density. We represented the bound charges by a polarization \mathbf{P} , and the bound currents by a magnetization \mathbf{M} , and defined

$$\mathbf{D} = \epsilon_0 \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{P}, \quad (5)$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mu_0 (\mathbf{H} + \mathbf{M}), \quad (6)$$

to obtain Maxwell's equations in a medium:

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = \rho, \quad (7)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0, \quad (8)$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}, \quad (9)$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{J}, \quad (10)$$

where ρ is the *free* charge density, and \mathbf{J} the *free* current density. In linear media we have

$$\mathbf{D} = \epsilon \mathbf{E}, \quad (11)$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mu \mathbf{H}. \quad (12)$$

The electric permittivity ϵ describes the electric properties, and the magnetic permeability μ describes the magnetic properties of the medium.

For situations with a degree of symmetry, Maxwell's equations were used to find \mathbf{D} from a given ρ (Gauss' law), and \mathbf{H} from a given \mathbf{J} (Ampere's law).

The scalar potential V and vector potential \mathbf{A} were defined such that

$$\mathbf{E} = -\nabla V - \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t}, \quad (13)$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A}, \quad (14)$$

and were shown to be useful.

Maxwell's equations were shown to be compatible with charge conservation

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} = -\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t}. \quad (15)$$

From equation (3) Faraday's law of induction was derived:

$$e = -\frac{d}{dt} \int_S \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{S}, \quad (16)$$

where the emf e was defined as

$$e = \oint_C \frac{\mathbf{F}_{\text{tot}}}{q} \cdot d\mathbf{l}. \quad (17)$$

The sum of all emf in a circuit drives the current through the circuit, as described by

$$\sum \text{emf} = RI. \quad (18)$$

Some other relations:

- Poisson's equation $\nabla^2 V = -\frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$.
- The Lorentz force acting on a charge q in an electromagnetic field: $\mathbf{F} = q(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B})$.
- The energy density (energy per unit volume) in an electric field: $w_e = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{D} \cdot \mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon E^2$.
- Boundary conditions for the electric and magnetic fields:

$$E_{1t} = E_{2t}, \quad (19)$$

$$D_{1n} - D_{2n} = \rho_S, \quad (20)$$

$$H_{1t} - H_{2t} = J_S, \quad (21)$$

$$B_{1n} = B_{2n}. \quad (22)$$

- The wave equation for the electric field in a linear, homogeneous, isotropic medium without sources: $\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2} = 0$, where $c = 1/\sqrt{\epsilon\mu}$ is the speed of light.

Finally the antenna equations

$$V(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \int_V \frac{\rho(\mathbf{r}', t - \frac{R}{c})}{R} dV', \quad (23)$$

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{\mu}{4\pi} \int_V \frac{\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r}', t - \frac{R}{c})}{R} dV', \quad (24)$$

were derived, which gives the potentials V and \mathbf{A} from a given charge distribution $\rho(\mathbf{r}, t)$ and current distribution $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r}, t)$. During the derivation it was argued that the potentials are not uniquely defined, and may be shifted through Gauge transformations

$$\mathbf{A}' = \mathbf{A} + \nabla f, \quad (25)$$

$$V' = V - \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}. \quad (26)$$

for an arbitrary scalar function $f(x, y, z; t)$ without altering the physical quantities \mathbf{E} and \mathbf{B} . In our derivation we used the Lorentz' Gauge, where $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} + \epsilon\mu \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} = 0$.