

# Advanced Classical Electromagnetic Theory

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## 2.3 Maxwell's equations

In vacuum:

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = 4\pi\rho, \quad (2.11)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0, \quad (2.12)$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{B}, \quad (2.13)$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j}. \quad (2.14)$$

To fulfill the charge conservation, one must consider that

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \vec{j} = 0. \quad (2.15)$$

However, Eq. (2.14) and (2.11) will lead to conflicts:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \nabla \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{E} \neq 0, \quad (2.16)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{j} = \frac{c}{4\pi} \nabla \cdot \nabla \times \vec{B} = 0. \quad (2.17)$$

Hence, Maxwell introduced the so-called displacement current, i.e.,

$$\vec{j}_D = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{E} \quad (2.18)$$

into Eq. (2.14), then

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{E} + \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j}. \quad (2.19)$$

in fact, one can also get from following

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{c} \nabla \int_{V'} d^3 \vec{x}' \frac{\nabla' \cdot \vec{j}(\vec{x}')}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} &= -\frac{1}{c} \nabla \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{V'} \frac{\rho(\vec{x}')}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} d^3 \vec{x}' \\ &= -\frac{1}{c} \nabla \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi \\ &= -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \phi \\ &= \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{E}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.20)$$

and thus

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{B}) &= \nabla \cdot \left( \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{E} + \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{c} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} 4\pi\rho + 4\pi \nabla \cdot \vec{j} \right) \\ &= \frac{4\pi}{c} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho + \nabla \cdot \vec{j} \right) \\ &= 0. \quad (\text{consistent}) \end{aligned} \quad (2.21)$$

After introducing the electric polarization and magnetization, i.e.,

$$\vec{D} = \vec{E} + 4\pi\vec{P}, \quad (2.22)$$

$$\vec{B} = \vec{H} + 4\pi\vec{M}, \quad (2.23)$$

Maxwell's equations hold:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \nabla \cdot \vec{D} = 4\pi\rho, & \text{(Coulomb's law)} \\ \nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0, & \text{(Biot - Savart's law)} \\ \nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}, & \text{(Faraday's law)} \\ \nabla \times \vec{H} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t}. & \text{(Ampère's law + displacement current)} \end{array} \right. \quad (2.24)$$

# Chapter 3

## Properties of Maxwell's equations

### 3.1 Conservation Properties

#### 3.1.1 Maxwell-Lorentz equations

In vacuum, Maxwell-Lorentz equation hold:

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E}(\vec{x}, t) = 4\pi\rho(\vec{x}, t), \quad (3.1)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B}(\vec{x}, t) = 0, \quad (3.2)$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{E}(\vec{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{B}(\vec{x}, t), \quad (3.3)$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{B}(\vec{x}, t) = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j}(\vec{x}, t) + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{E}(\vec{x}, t), \quad (3.4)$$

$$\rho(\vec{x}, t) = \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)), \quad (3.5)$$

$$\vec{j}(\vec{x}, t) = \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)), \quad (3.6)$$

$$m_{\alpha} \ddot{\vec{x}}_{\alpha}(t) = q_{\alpha} \left[ \vec{E}(\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t), t) + \frac{\vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t), t)}{c} \right]. \quad (3.7)$$

#### 3.1.2 Conservation of electric charge and current

1.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho(\vec{x}, t) + \nabla \cdot \vec{j}(\vec{x}, t) = 0, \quad (3.8)$$

2. Define  $Q = \int d^3\vec{x} \rho(\vec{x}, t)$ , then

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = 0. \quad (3.9)$$

[Proof-1]

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \cdot \vec{E} \\
&= \frac{1}{4\pi} \nabla \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} \\
&= \frac{1}{4\pi} (c \nabla \times \vec{B} - 4\pi \vec{j}) \\
&= \frac{c}{4\pi} \nabla \cdot \nabla \times \vec{B} - \nabla \cdot \vec{j} \\
&= -\nabla \cdot \vec{j}, \\
\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho + \nabla \cdot \vec{j} &= 0.
\end{aligned}$$

[Proof-2]

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} &= \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \delta'(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)) \cdot \left[ -\frac{d\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)}{dt} \right] \\
&= -\sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \delta'(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)) \vec{v}_{\alpha}(t),
\end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{j} = \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \delta'(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)) \vec{v}_{\alpha}(t),$$

likewise,

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

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = \int_V d^3\vec{x} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = - \int_V d^3\vec{x} \nabla \cdot \vec{j} = - \oint_S \vec{j} \cdot d\vec{S} = 0.$$

[EOP]

### 3.1.3 Total energy of the charged particles and the electromagnetic fields

$$H = \sum_{\alpha} \frac{1}{2} m_{\alpha} \vec{v}_{\alpha}^2(t) + \frac{1}{8\pi} \int d^3\vec{x} [\vec{E}^2(\vec{x}, t) + \vec{B}^2(\vec{x}, t)], \quad (3.10)$$

$$\frac{dH}{dt} = 0. \quad (3.11)$$

[Proof]

$$\begin{aligned}
\left( \frac{dH}{dt} \right)_P &= \sum_{\alpha} m_{\alpha} \vec{v}_{\alpha} \cdot \dot{\vec{v}}_{\alpha}(t) \\
&= \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \vec{v}_{\alpha} \cdot \left[ \vec{E}(\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t), t) + \frac{\vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t), t)}{c} \right] \\
&= \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \vec{v}_{\alpha} \cdot \vec{E}(\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t), t),
\end{aligned} \quad (3.12)$$

where we have used the identity

$$\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v} \times \vec{B} = 0.$$

Actually, the above identity can be easily verified using Levi-Civita tensor ( $\epsilon_{ijk}$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{v} \cdot \vec{v} \times \vec{B} &= v_i \epsilon_{ijk} v_j B_k \\ &= \epsilon_{ijk} v_i v_j B_k \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{ijk} (v_i v_j - v_j v_i) B_k \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

That is to say, Lorentz force does not contribute to work.

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{dH}{dt} \right)_f &= \frac{1}{8\pi} \int d^3\vec{x} \left[ 2\vec{E}(\vec{x}, t) \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{E}(\vec{x}, t)}{\partial t} + 2\vec{B}(\vec{x}, t) \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{B}(\vec{x}, t)}{\partial t} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d^3\vec{x} \left\{ \vec{E}(\vec{x}, t) \cdot [c\nabla \times \vec{B}(\vec{x}, t) - 4\pi\vec{j}(\vec{x}, t)] \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \vec{B}(\vec{x}, t) \cdot [c\nabla \times \vec{E}(\vec{x}, t)] \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.13)$$

Noting that

$$\nabla \cdot (\vec{E} \times \vec{B}) = \vec{B} \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{E}) - \vec{E} \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{B}), \quad (\text{verify, using } \epsilon_{ijk}, \text{ Problem 4.1})$$

one has

$$\left( \frac{dH}{dt} \right)_f = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d^3\vec{x} [-c\nabla \cdot (\vec{E} \times \vec{B}) - 4\pi\vec{j} \cdot \vec{E}], \quad (3.14)$$

in which

$$-\frac{c}{4\pi} \int d^3\vec{x} \nabla \cdot (\vec{E} \times \vec{B}) = -\frac{c}{4\pi} \oint_S \vec{E} \times \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{S} = 0, \quad (3.15)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d^3\vec{x} (-4\pi\vec{j} \cdot \vec{E}) &= - \int d^3\vec{x} \vec{j} \cdot \vec{E} \\ &= - \int d^3\vec{x} \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)) \cdot \vec{E}(\vec{x}, t) \\ &= - \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \cdot \vec{E}(\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t), t). \end{aligned} \quad (3.16)$$

So,

$$\left( \frac{dH}{dt} \right)_f = - \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \cdot \vec{E}_{\alpha}(\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t), t). \quad (3.17)$$

Compacting with  $(dH/dt)_P$ , one has

$$\frac{dH}{dt} = 0.$$

[EOP]

### 3.1.4 Total linear momentum of the charge particles and the electromagnetic fields

$$\vec{P} = \sum_{\alpha} m_{\alpha} \vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) + \frac{1}{4\pi c} \int d^3\vec{x} [\vec{E}(\vec{x}, t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{x}, t)], \quad (3.18)$$

$$\frac{d\vec{P}}{dt} = 0. \quad (3.19)$$

[Proof]

$$\left( \frac{d\vec{P}}{dt} \right)_P = \sum_{\alpha} m_{\alpha} \dot{\vec{v}}_{\alpha} = \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \left[ \vec{E}(\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t), t) + \frac{\vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t), t)}{c} \right]. \quad (3.20)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{d\vec{P}}{dt} \right)_f &= \frac{1}{4\pi c} \int d^3\vec{x} \left[ \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} \times \vec{B} + \vec{E} \times \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi c} \int d^3\vec{x} \left[ (c\nabla \times \vec{B} - 4\pi\vec{j}) \times \vec{B} + \vec{E} \times (-c\nabla \times \vec{E}) \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (3.21)$$

Noting that

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla \times \vec{B}) \times \vec{B} &= (\vec{B} \cdot \nabla) \vec{B} - (\nabla \vec{B}) \cdot \vec{B} \\ &= (\vec{B} \cdot \nabla) \vec{B} - \frac{1}{2} \nabla B^2, \end{aligned} \quad (3.22)$$

$$\begin{aligned} -\vec{E} \times (\nabla \times \vec{E}) &= (\vec{E} \cdot \nabla) \vec{E} - (\nabla \vec{E}) \cdot \vec{E} \\ &= (\vec{E} \cdot \nabla) \vec{E} - \frac{1}{2} \nabla E^2, \end{aligned} \quad (3.23)$$

(verify Eqs. (3.22) and (3.23), Problem 4.2)

Also, since

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot (\vec{E}\vec{E}) &= (\nabla \cdot \vec{E}) \vec{E} + (\vec{E} \cdot \nabla) \vec{E} \\ &= 4\pi\rho \vec{E} + (\vec{E} \cdot \nabla) \vec{E}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.24)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot (\vec{B}\vec{B}) &= (\nabla \cdot \vec{B}) \vec{B} + (\vec{B} \cdot \nabla) \vec{B} \\ &= (\vec{B} \cdot \nabla) \vec{B}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.25)$$

(verify Eqs. (3.24) and (3.25), Problem 4.3)

then

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla \cdot \vec{E}) \vec{E} - \vec{E} \times (\nabla \times \vec{E}) &= (\nabla \cdot \vec{E}) \vec{E} + (\vec{E} \cdot \nabla) \vec{E} - \frac{1}{2} \nabla E^2 \\ &= \nabla \cdot (\vec{E}\vec{E}) - \frac{1}{2} \nabla \cdot (IE^2) \\ &= \nabla \cdot \left( \vec{E}\vec{E} - \frac{1}{2} IE^2 \right), \end{aligned} \quad (3.26)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(\nabla \cdot \vec{B})\vec{B} + (\nabla \times \vec{B}) \times \vec{B} &= (\nabla \cdot \vec{B})\vec{B} + (\vec{B} \cdot \nabla)\vec{B} - \frac{1}{2}\nabla B^2 \\
&= \nabla \cdot (\vec{B}\vec{B}) - \frac{1}{2}\nabla \cdot (IB^2) \\
&= \nabla \cdot (\vec{B}\vec{B} - \frac{1}{2}IB^2).
\end{aligned} \tag{3.27}$$

so

$$\begin{aligned}
(\nabla \times \vec{B}) \times \vec{B} &= \nabla \cdot (\vec{B}\vec{B} - \frac{1}{2}IB^2) - (\nabla \cdot \vec{B})\vec{B} \\
&= \nabla \cdot (\vec{B}\vec{B} - \frac{1}{2}IB^2),
\end{aligned} \tag{3.28}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(\nabla \times \vec{E}) \times \vec{E} &= \nabla \cdot (\vec{E}\vec{E} - \frac{1}{2}IE^2) - (\nabla \cdot \vec{E})\vec{E} \\
&= \nabla \cdot (\vec{E}\vec{E} - \frac{1}{2}IE^2) - 4\pi\rho\vec{E}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.29}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned}
&(\nabla \times \vec{B}) \times \vec{B} - \vec{E} \times (\nabla \times \vec{E}) \\
&= \nabla \cdot (\vec{E}\vec{E} + \vec{B}\vec{B} - \frac{1}{2}IE^2 - \frac{1}{2}IB^2) - 4\pi\rho\vec{E}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.30}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
&\frac{1}{4\pi c} \int c \nabla \cdot (\vec{E}\vec{E} + \vec{B}\vec{B} - \frac{1}{2}IE^2 - \frac{1}{2}IB^2) d^3\vec{x} \\
&= \frac{1}{4\pi} \int \nabla \cdot (\vec{E}\vec{E} + \vec{B}\vec{B} - \frac{1}{2}IE^2 - \frac{1}{2}IB^2) d^3\vec{x} \\
&= \frac{1}{4\pi} \oint_S (\vec{E}\vec{E} + \vec{B}\vec{B} - \frac{1}{2}IE^2 - \frac{1}{2}IB^2) \cdot d\vec{S} \\
&= 0,
\end{aligned} \tag{3.31}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{4\pi c} \int c(-4\pi\rho\vec{E}) d^3\vec{x} &= - \int d^3\vec{x} \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)) \vec{E}(\vec{x}) \\
&= - \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \vec{E}(\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t), t),
\end{aligned} \tag{3.32}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{4\pi c} \int (-4\pi\vec{j} \times \vec{B}) d^3\vec{x} &= -\frac{1}{c} \int d^3\vec{x} \vec{j} \times \vec{B} \\
&= -\frac{1}{c} \int d^3\vec{x} \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)) \times \vec{B}(\vec{x}, t) \\
&= - \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \frac{\vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t), t)}{c},
\end{aligned} \tag{3.33}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{d\vec{P}}{dt} &= \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \left[ \vec{E}(\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t), t) + \frac{\vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t), t)}{c} \right] \\
&\quad - \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \vec{E}(\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t), t) - \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \frac{\vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t), t)}{c} \\
&= 0.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.34}$$

[EOP]

### 3.1.5 Total angular momentum of the charged particles and electromagnetic fields

$$\vec{J} = \sum_{\alpha} \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t) \times m_{\alpha} \vec{v}_{\alpha} + \frac{1}{4\pi c} \int d^3\vec{x} \left[ \vec{x} \times \vec{E}(\vec{x}, t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{x}, t) \right]. \tag{3.35}$$

$$\frac{d\vec{J}}{dt} = 0. \tag{3.36}$$

[Proof]

$$\begin{aligned}
\left( \frac{d\vec{J}}{dt} \right)_P &= \sum_{\alpha} [\vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \times m_{\alpha} \vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) + \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t) \times m_{\alpha} \dot{\vec{v}}_{\alpha}(t)] \\
&= \sum_{\alpha} \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t) \times \left\{ q_{\alpha} \left[ \vec{E}(\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t), t) + \frac{\vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t), t)}{c} \right] \right\} \\
&= \sum_{\alpha} \left[ q_{\alpha} \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t) \times \vec{E}(\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t), t) + q_{\alpha} \frac{\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t) \times \vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t), t)}{c} \right].
\end{aligned} \tag{3.37}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\left( \frac{d\vec{J}}{dt} \right)_f &= \frac{1}{4\pi c} \int d^3\vec{x} \left[ \vec{x} \times \dot{\vec{E}} \times \vec{B} + \vec{x} \times \vec{E} \times \dot{\vec{B}} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{4\pi c} \int d^3\vec{x} \left[ \vec{x} \times (c\nabla \times \vec{B} - 4\pi\vec{j}) \times \vec{B} + \vec{x} \times \vec{E} \times (-c\nabla \times \vec{E}) \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d^3\vec{x} \left\{ \vec{x} \times [(\nabla \times \vec{B}) \times \vec{B} + (\nabla \times \vec{E}) \times \vec{E}] \right\} - \frac{1}{c} \int d^3\vec{x} (\vec{x} \times \vec{j} \times \vec{B}).
\end{aligned} \tag{3.38}$$

Since, from Eq. (3.30), one has

$$\begin{aligned}
&(\nabla \times \vec{B}) \times \vec{B} + (\nabla \times \vec{E}) \times \vec{E} \\
&= \nabla \cdot (\vec{E}\vec{E} + \vec{B}\vec{B} - \frac{1}{2}IE^2 - \frac{1}{2}IB^2) - 4\pi\rho\vec{E},
\end{aligned} \tag{3.39}$$



where

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{4\pi c} \int d^3\vec{x} c \vec{x} \times [(\nabla \times \vec{B}) \times \vec{B} + (\nabla \times \vec{E}) \times \vec{E}] \\
&= \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d^3\vec{x} [\vec{x} \times (-4\pi\rho\vec{E})] \\
&= - \int d^3\vec{x} \vec{x} \times \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)) \times \vec{E}(\vec{x}, t) \\
&= - \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t) \times \vec{E}(\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t), t),
\end{aligned} \tag{3.40}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -\frac{1}{c} \int d^3\vec{x} (\vec{x} \times \vec{j} \times \vec{B}) \\
&= -\frac{1}{c} \int d^3\vec{x} \vec{x} \times \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \times \vec{B} \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)) \\
&= - \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \frac{\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t) \times \vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t), t)}{c},
\end{aligned} \tag{3.41}$$

So

$$\left( \frac{d\vec{J}}{dt} \right) = \left( \frac{d\vec{J}}{dt} \right)_P + \left( \frac{d\vec{J}}{dt} \right)_f = 0 \tag{3.42}$$

[EOP]

## 3.2 Transverse and longitudinal properties of electromagnetic fields

### 3.2.1 Fourier Transform

$$F(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int d^3\vec{k} \tilde{F}(\vec{k}) e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}}, \tag{3.43}$$

i.e.,

$$F(\vec{x}) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \tilde{F}(\vec{k}),$$

$$\tilde{F}(\vec{k}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int d^3\vec{x} F(\vec{x}) e^{-i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}}, \tag{3.44}$$

i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \tilde{F}(\vec{k}) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}^{-1}} F(\vec{x}), \\
& \int d^3\vec{k} e^{\pm i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} = (2\pi)^3 \delta(\vec{x}).
\end{aligned} \tag{3.45}$$

### 3.2.2 General relations

Helmholtz's theorem:

$\forall \vec{V}(\vec{x})$ , it can be decomposed into two parts, i.e., transverse and longitudinal parts,

$$\vec{V}(\vec{x}) = \vec{V}_\perp(\vec{x}) + \vec{V}_\parallel(\vec{x}), \quad (3.46)$$

and at the same time, transverse and longitudinal parts, which satisfy, respectively

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{V}_\perp(\vec{x}) = 0, \quad (3.47)$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{V}_\parallel(\vec{x}) = 0. \quad (3.48)$$

So

$$\vec{V}(\vec{x}) = \vec{V}_\perp(\vec{x}) + \vec{V}_\parallel(\vec{x}), \quad \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \quad \vec{V}(\vec{k}) = \vec{V}_\perp(\vec{k}) + \vec{V}_\parallel(\vec{k}), \quad (3.49)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{V}_\perp(\vec{x}) = 0, \quad \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \quad \vec{k} \cdot \vec{V}_\perp(\vec{k}) = 0, \quad (3.50)$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{V}_\parallel(\vec{x}) = 0, \quad \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \quad \vec{k} \times \vec{V}_\parallel(\vec{k}) = 0, \quad (3.51)$$

$$\vec{V}_\parallel(\vec{k}) = \vec{k}^0 (\vec{k}^0 \cdot \vec{V}(\vec{k})) = \vec{k}^0 \vec{k}^0 \cdot \vec{V}(\vec{k}), \quad (3.52)$$

$$\vec{V}_\perp(\vec{k}) = \vec{V}(\vec{k}) - \vec{V}_\parallel(\vec{k}) = (I - \vec{k}^0 \vec{k}^0) \cdot \vec{V}(\vec{k}) = O(\vec{k}^0) \cdot \vec{V}(\vec{k}), \quad (3.53)$$

$$\nabla \times \nabla \times \vec{V}(\vec{x}) = \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{V}) - \nabla^2 \vec{V} \quad (3.54)$$

$$\xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \quad i\vec{k} \times i\vec{k} \times \vec{V}(\vec{k}) = i\vec{k}(i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{V}(\vec{k})) - (-k^2)\vec{V}(\vec{k}) \quad (3.55)$$

i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{k} \times \vec{k} \times \vec{V}(\vec{k}) &= k^2 I \cdot \vec{V}(\vec{k}) - k^2 \vec{k}^0 \vec{k}^0 \cdot \vec{V}(\vec{k}) \\ &= k^2 O(\vec{k}^0) \cdot \vec{V}(\vec{k}), \end{aligned} \quad (3.56)$$

therefore

$$\vec{k}^0 \times \vec{k}^0 \times \vec{V}(\vec{k}) = O(\vec{k}^0) \cdot \vec{V}(\vec{k}) = \vec{V}_\perp(\vec{k}). \quad (3.57)$$

$$\vec{V}_\perp(\vec{k}) = (I - \vec{k}^0 \vec{k}^0) \cdot \vec{V}(\vec{k}), \quad (3.58)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\vec{V}_\perp(\vec{x}) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int d^3\vec{k} \vec{V}_\perp(\vec{k}) e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} \\
&= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int d^3\vec{k} (I - \vec{k}^0 \vec{k}^0) \cdot \int \vec{V}(\vec{x}') e^{-i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}'} e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} d^3\vec{x}' \\
&= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int d^3\vec{k} d^3\vec{x}' (I - \vec{k}^0 \vec{k}^0) \cdot \vec{V}(\vec{x}') e^{-i\vec{k}\cdot(\vec{x}'-\vec{x})},
\end{aligned} \tag{3.59}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\vec{V}_{\perp i}(\vec{x}) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int d^3\vec{k} d^3\vec{x}' (\delta_{ij} - k_i^0 k_j^0) \vec{V}_j(\vec{x}') e^{i\vec{k}\cdot(\vec{x}-\vec{x}')} \\
&= \sum_j \int d^3\vec{x}' \delta_{ij}^\perp(\vec{x} - \vec{x}') V_j(\vec{x}'),
\end{aligned} \tag{3.60}$$

where

$$\frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int d^3\vec{k} \delta_{ij} \vec{V}_j(\vec{x}') e^{i\vec{k}\cdot(\vec{x}-\vec{x}')} = \delta_{ij} \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}') \vec{V}(\vec{x}'). \tag{3.61}$$

$$\delta_{ij}^\perp(\vec{x}) = \frac{2}{3} \delta_{ij} \delta(\vec{x}) - \frac{1}{4\pi r^3} (\delta_{ij} - \frac{3x_i x_j}{r^2}). \tag{3.62}$$

Next, evaluate

$$-\frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int d^3\vec{k} k_i^0 k_j^0 \vec{V}_j(\vec{x}') e^{i\vec{k}\cdot(\vec{x}-\vec{x}')} \tag{3.63}$$

[Proof: (Not finished) consult Quantum field Theory]

### 3.2.3 Maxwell-Lorentz equations in configuration and reciprocal space

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{D}(\vec{x}, t) = 4\pi\rho(\vec{x}, t) \quad \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \quad i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{D}(\vec{k}, t) = 4\pi\tilde{\rho}(\vec{k}, t), \tag{3.64}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B}(\vec{x}, t) = 0 \quad \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \quad \vec{k} \cdot \vec{B}(\vec{k}, t) = 0, \tag{3.65}$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{E}(\vec{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{B}(\vec{x}, t) \quad \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \quad i\vec{k} \times \vec{E}(\vec{k}, t) = -\frac{1}{c} \dot{\vec{B}}(\vec{k}, t), \tag{3.66}$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{H}(\vec{x}, t) = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{D}(\vec{x}, t) + \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j}(\vec{x}, t), \tag{3.67}$$

$$\xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \quad i\vec{k} \times \vec{H}(\vec{k}, t) = \frac{1}{c} \dot{\vec{D}}(\vec{k}, t) + \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j}(\vec{k}, t),$$

$$\rho(\vec{x}, t) = \sum_\alpha q_\alpha \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_\alpha(t)), \quad \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \quad \tilde{\rho}(\vec{k}, t) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \sum_\alpha q_\alpha e^{-i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}_\alpha(t)}, \tag{3.68}$$

$$\vec{j}(\vec{x}, t) = \sum_\alpha q_\alpha \vec{v}_\alpha(t) \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_\alpha(t)), \quad \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \quad \vec{j}(\vec{k}, t) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \sum_\alpha q_\alpha \vec{v}_\alpha(t) e^{-i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}_\alpha(t)}, \tag{3.69}$$

$$m\ddot{\vec{x}}_\alpha = q_\alpha \vec{E}(\vec{x}_\alpha(t), t) + \frac{\vec{v}_\alpha(t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{x}_\alpha(t), t)}{c} \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \text{ (No reciprocal correspondence), } (3.70)$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho(\vec{x}, t)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \vec{j}(\vec{x}, t) = 0 \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \dot{\tilde{\rho}}(\vec{k}, t) + i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{\tilde{j}}(\vec{k}, t) = 0, (3.71)$$

$$\begin{aligned} H_{em} &= \frac{1}{8\pi} \int d^3\vec{x} (\vec{E} \cdot \vec{D} + \vec{B} \cdot \vec{H}) \\ &= \frac{1}{8\pi} \int d^3\vec{k} [\vec{E}(\vec{k}, t) \cdot \vec{D}^*(\vec{k}, t) + \vec{H}(\vec{k}, t) \cdot \vec{B}^*(\vec{k}, t)], \end{aligned} (3.72)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{P}_{em} &= \frac{1}{4\pi c} \int d^3\vec{x} [\vec{E}(\vec{x}, t) \times \vec{H}(\vec{x}, t)] \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi c} \int d^3\vec{k} [\vec{E}(\vec{k}, t) \times \vec{H}^*(\vec{k}, t)], \end{aligned} (3.73)$$

$$\vec{J}_{em} = \frac{1}{4\pi c} \int d^3\vec{x} \vec{x} \times (\vec{E} \times \vec{H}) (3.74)$$

### 3.2.4 Fourier Transform in space-time

$$F(\vec{x}, t) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int d^3\vec{k} d\omega \tilde{F}(\vec{k}, \omega) e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x} - \omega t)}, (3.75)$$

i.e.,

$$F(\vec{x}, t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \tilde{F}(\vec{k}, \omega), (3.76)$$

$$\tilde{F}(\vec{k}, \omega) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int d^3\vec{x} dt F(\vec{x}, t) e^{-i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x} - \omega t)} (3.77)$$

i.e.,

$$\tilde{F}(\vec{k}, \omega) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}^{-1}} F(\vec{x}, t), (3.78)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{D}(\vec{x}, t) = 4\pi\rho(\vec{x}, t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{D}(\vec{k}, \omega) = 4\pi\tilde{\rho}(\vec{k}, \omega), (3.79)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B}(\vec{x}, t) = 0 \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \vec{k} \cdot \vec{B}(\vec{k}, \omega) = 0, (3.80)$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{E}(\vec{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{B}(\vec{x}, t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \vec{k} \times \vec{E}(\vec{k}, \omega) = \frac{\omega}{c} \vec{B}(\vec{k}, \omega), (3.81)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times \vec{H}(\vec{x}, t) &= \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{D}(\vec{x}, t) + \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j}(\vec{x}, t) \\ \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \vec{k} \times \vec{H}(\vec{k}, \omega) &= -\frac{\omega}{c} \vec{D}(\vec{k}, \omega) - i\frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j}(\vec{k}, \omega), \end{aligned} (3.82)$$

$$\rho(\vec{x}, t) = \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)), \quad (3.83)$$

$$\vec{j}(\vec{x}, t) = \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)), \quad (3.84)$$

$$m\ddot{\vec{x}}_{\alpha} = q_{\alpha} \left[ \vec{E}(\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t), t) + \frac{\vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t), t)}{c} \right]. \quad (3.85)$$

### 3.2.5 Gauge, gauge transformation and gauge invariance

$$\vec{B}(\vec{x}, t) = \nabla \times \vec{A}(\vec{x}, t), \quad (3.86)$$

$$\vec{E}(\vec{x}, t) = -\nabla U(\vec{x}, t) - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{A}(\vec{x}, t), \quad (3.87)$$

$$\vec{E}(\vec{x}, t) = \vec{D}(\vec{x}, t), \quad (3.88)$$

$$\vec{B}(\vec{x}, t) = \vec{H}(\vec{x}, t), \quad (3.89)$$

$$\vec{B}(\vec{x}, t) = \vec{B}_{\perp}(\vec{x}, t) + \vec{B}_{\parallel}(\vec{x}, t), \quad (3.90)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \vec{B}_{\perp}(\vec{x}, t) = \nabla \times \vec{A}_{\perp}(\vec{x}, t), \\ \vec{B}_{\parallel}(\vec{x}, t) = \nabla \times \vec{A}_{\parallel}(\vec{x}, t) = 0 \end{cases} \quad (3.91)$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{A}_{\parallel}(\vec{x}, t) = \nabla \chi(\vec{x}, t), \quad (3.92)$$

$$\vec{E}(\vec{x}, t) = \vec{E}_{\perp}(\vec{x}, t) + \vec{E}_{\parallel}(\vec{x}, t) \quad (3.93)$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E}_{\perp}(\vec{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{A}_{\perp}(\vec{x}, t), \quad (3.94)$$

$$\vec{E}_{\parallel}(\vec{x}, t) = -\nabla U(\vec{x}, t) - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{A}_{\parallel}(\vec{x}, t), \quad (3.95)$$

Gauge transform: under the gauge transform, i.e.,

$$\vec{A} \rightarrow \vec{A}'(\vec{x}, t) = \vec{A}(\vec{x}, t) + \nabla \chi(\vec{x}, t), \quad (3.96)$$

$$U \rightarrow U'(\vec{x}, t) = U(\vec{x}, t) - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \chi(\vec{x}, t),$$

we can show that  $\vec{E}$  and  $\vec{B}$  does not change. Also, since  $\vec{A}_{\parallel}(\vec{x}, t)$  play a role of gauge, so we know that

1.  $\vec{E}_{\perp}(\vec{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{A}_{\perp}(\vec{x}, t)$  is gauge free, or in other words,  $\vec{E}_{\perp}$  has nothing to do with gauge.

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2.  $\vec{B}_{\parallel}(\vec{x}, t) = 0$ , i.e., the magnetic field is always transverse.

3. Longitudinal components of the electric field:

Since

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E}_{\parallel}(\vec{x}, t) = 4\pi\rho(\vec{x}, t),$$

so

$$i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{E}_{\parallel}(\vec{k}, t) = 4\pi\tilde{\rho}(\vec{k}, t),$$

then

$$\vec{E}_{\parallel}(\vec{k}, t) = -i4\pi\tilde{\rho}(\vec{k}, t)\frac{\vec{k}}{k^2}.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{E}_{\parallel}(\vec{x}, t) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int d^3\vec{k} 4\pi\tilde{\rho}(\vec{k}, t) \left( \frac{-i\vec{k}}{k^2} \right) e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int d^3\vec{k} 4\pi \left[ \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int \rho(\vec{x}', t) e^{-i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}'} d^3\vec{x}' \right] \\ &\quad \times \left[ \frac{(2\pi)^{3/2}}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int \frac{\vec{x}''}{4\pi r''^3} e^{-i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}''} d^3\vec{x}'' \right] e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \rho(\vec{x}', t) \frac{\vec{x}''}{r''^3} \left[ \int d^3\vec{k} e^{i\vec{k}\cdot(\vec{x}-\vec{x}'-\vec{x}'')} \right] d^3\vec{x}' d^3\vec{x}'' \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \rho(\vec{x}', t) \frac{\vec{x}''}{r''^3} (2\pi)^3 \delta(\vec{x}'' - (\vec{x} - \vec{x}')) d^3\vec{x}' d^3\vec{x}'' \\ &= \int \rho(\vec{x}', t) \frac{\vec{x} - \vec{x}'}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|^3} d^3\vec{x}' \\ &= \int \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \delta(\vec{x}' - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)) \frac{\vec{x} - \vec{x}'}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|^3} d^3\vec{x}' \\ &= \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha}(t) \frac{\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)|^3} \\ &= -\nabla \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha}(t) \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)|}. \end{aligned}$$

The above expression indicates that the longitudinal electric field responds instantaneously to changes in the charge density which would seem to violate special relativity. The resolution of this problem lies in the fact that it is only the total electric field, longitudinal plus transverse, that has a physical meaning, and the total electric field is always retarded.

4. In Coulomb gauge,  $\nabla \cdot \vec{A}(\vec{x}, t) = 0$ , The vector potential is transverse, i.e.,  $\vec{A}_{\parallel}(\vec{x}, t) = 0$ . Hence

$$\vec{E}_{\perp}(\vec{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{A}(\vec{x}, t), \quad (3.97)$$

$$\vec{E}_{\parallel}(\vec{x}, t) = -\nabla U(\vec{x}, t). \quad (3.98)$$

Together with what we have just derived,

$$\vec{E}_{\parallel}(\vec{x}, t) = \int \rho(\vec{x}', t) \frac{\vec{x} - \vec{x}'}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|^3} d^3 \vec{x}' = \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \frac{\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)|^3}, \quad (3.99)$$

one yields

$$U(\vec{x}, t) = \int \frac{\rho(\vec{x}', t)}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} d^3 \vec{x}' = \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)|}. \quad (3.100)$$

5. Coulomb electrostatic energy:

$$H_{long} = \frac{1}{8\pi} \int d^3 \vec{x} \vec{E}_{\parallel}^2(\vec{x}, t) = \frac{1}{8\pi} \int d^3 \vec{k} |\vec{E}_{\parallel}(\vec{k}, t)|^2. \quad (\text{Parseval identity}) \quad (3.101)$$

Also, since

$$U(\vec{x}, t) = \int \frac{\rho(\vec{x}', t)}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} d^3 \vec{x}' = \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)|},$$

$$\vec{E}_{\parallel}(\vec{k}, t) = -i4\pi \tilde{\rho}(\vec{k}, t) \frac{\vec{k}}{k^2},$$

$$\vec{E}_{\parallel}(\vec{x}, t) = \int \rho(\vec{x}', t) \frac{\vec{x} - \vec{x}'}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|^3} d^3 \vec{x}',$$

hence

$$H_{long} = 2\pi \int d^3 \vec{k} \frac{|\tilde{\rho}(\vec{k}, t)|^2}{k^2} = \frac{1}{2} \int d^3 \vec{x} \int d^3 \vec{x}' \frac{\rho^*(\vec{x}, t) \rho(\vec{x}', t)}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|}. \quad (3.102)$$

[Proof]

From Parserval identify, one has

$$2\pi \int d^3 \vec{k} |\tilde{\rho}(\vec{k}, t)|^2 \frac{1}{k^2} = 2\pi \int d^3 \vec{x} \mathcal{F}^{-1}\{|\tilde{\rho}(\vec{k}, t)|^2\} \mathcal{F}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{k^2}\right\}.$$

Also, since

$$\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \frac{1}{k^2} = \mathcal{F}\left\{\frac{1}{4\pi r}\right\}, \quad \mathcal{F}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{k^2}\right\} = (2\pi)^{3/2} \frac{1}{4\pi r},$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{F}^{-1}\left\{|\tilde{\rho}(\vec{k}, t)|^2\right\} &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int |\tilde{\rho}(\vec{k}, t)|^2 e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} d^3\vec{k} \\
 &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int \left[ \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int \rho(\vec{x}', t) e^{-i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}'} d^3\vec{x}' \right] \\
 &\quad \times \left[ \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int \rho^*(\vec{x}'', t) e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}''} d^3\vec{x}'' \right] e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} d^3\vec{k} \\
 &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \rho(\vec{x}', t) \rho^*(\vec{x}'', t) \left[ \int e^{i\vec{k}\cdot(\vec{x}-\vec{x}'+\vec{x}'')} d^3\vec{k} \right] d^3\vec{x}' d^3\vec{x}'' \\
 &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int \rho(\vec{x}', t) \rho^*(\vec{x}'', t) \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}' + \vec{x}'') d^3\vec{x}' d^3\vec{x}'' \\
 &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int \rho(\vec{x}', t) \rho^*(\vec{x}' - \vec{x}, t) d^3\vec{x}',
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.103}$$

one yields

$$\begin{aligned}
 2\pi \int d^3\vec{k} |\tilde{\rho}(\vec{k}, t)|^2 \frac{1}{k^2} &= 2\pi \int d^3\vec{x} \left[ \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int \rho(\vec{x}', t) \rho^*(\vec{x}' - \vec{x}, t) d^3\vec{x}' \right] (2\pi)^{3/2} \frac{1}{4\pi r} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int d^3\vec{x} \int d^3\vec{x}' \frac{\rho^*(\vec{x}, t) \rho(\vec{x}', t)}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Further,

$$\begin{aligned}
 H_{long} &= \frac{1}{2} \int d^3\vec{x} \int d^3\vec{x}' \frac{\rho^*(\vec{x}, t) \rho(\vec{x}', t)}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int d^3\vec{x} \int d^3\vec{x}' \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)) \times \sum_{\beta} q_{\beta} \delta(\vec{x}' - \vec{x}_{\beta}(t)) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \frac{q_{\alpha} q_{\beta}}{|\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t) - \vec{x}_{\beta}(t)|} \\
 &= \sum_{\alpha} \epsilon_{coul}^{\alpha} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha} \sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} \frac{q_{\alpha} q_{\beta}}{|\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t) - \vec{x}_{\beta}(t)|},
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.104}$$

in which  $\epsilon_{coul}^{\alpha}$  is the Coulomb self-energy of the  $\alpha^{th}$  charged particle, and the second term is simply the Coulomb potential between pairs of particle  $\alpha \neq \beta$ . One should just keep in mind that  $\epsilon_{coul}^{\alpha} = \text{constant}$  (this can only be treated in QED).

$$H_{coul} = V_{coul} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha} \sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} \frac{q_{\alpha} q_{\beta}}{|\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t) - \vec{x}_{\beta}(t)|}, \tag{3.105}$$

$$H_{total} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha} m_{\alpha} \vec{v}_{\alpha}^2 + V_{coul} + H_{trans}, \tag{3.106}$$

$$H_{trans} = \frac{1}{8\pi} \int d^3\vec{x} [\vec{E}_{\perp}^2(\vec{x}, t) + \vec{B}^2(\vec{x}, t)]. \tag{3.107}$$



### 3.2.6 Transverse field

$$\nabla \times \vec{E}_\perp(\vec{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{B}_\perp(\vec{x}, t), \quad (3.108)$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{B}_\perp(\vec{x}, t) = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j}_\perp(\vec{x}, t) + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{E}_\perp(\vec{x}, t). \quad (3.109)$$

From the scalar and vector potential and their Fourier transforms, one has

$$\vec{E}_\perp(\vec{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{A}_\perp(\vec{x}, t) \quad \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \quad \vec{E}_\perp(\vec{k}, t) = -\frac{1}{c} \dot{\vec{A}}_\perp(\vec{k}, t), \quad (3.110)$$

$$\vec{B}_\perp(\vec{x}, t) = \nabla \times \vec{A}_\perp(\vec{x}, t) \quad \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \quad \vec{B}_\perp(\vec{k}, t) = -i\vec{k} \times \dot{\vec{A}}_\perp(\vec{k}, t), \quad (3.111)$$

$$i\vec{k} \times i\vec{k} \times \vec{A}_\perp(\vec{k}, t) = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j}_\perp(\vec{k}, t) - \frac{1}{c^2} \ddot{\vec{A}}_\perp(\vec{k}, t),$$

therefore,

$$\frac{1}{c^2} \ddot{\vec{A}}_\perp(\vec{k}, t) + k^2 \vec{A}_\perp(\vec{k}, t) = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j}_\perp(\vec{k}, t). \quad (3.112)$$

In real space,

$$\left( \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - \nabla^2 \right) \vec{A}_\perp(\vec{x}, t) = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j}_\perp(\vec{x}, t). \quad (3.113)$$

### 3.2.7 Longitudinal field

In real space,

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot \vec{D}_\parallel(\vec{x}, t) &= 4\pi\rho, \\ 4\pi\vec{j}_\parallel(\vec{x}, t) + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{D}_\parallel(\vec{x}, t) &= 0. \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (3.114)$$

Hence

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho(\vec{x}, t) + \nabla \cdot \vec{j}_\parallel(\vec{x}, t) = 0. \quad (3.115)$$

In vacuum, there is no polarization, hence,  $\vec{D}(\vec{x}, t) = \vec{E}(\vec{x}, t)$ , so one has

$$\left. \begin{aligned} i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{E}_\parallel(\vec{k}, t) &= 4\pi\tilde{\rho}(\vec{k}, t), \\ 4\pi\vec{j}_\parallel(\vec{k}, t) + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{E}_\parallel(\vec{k}, t) &= 0. \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (3.116)$$

Hence

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \tilde{\rho}(\vec{k}, t) + i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{j}_\parallel(\vec{k}, t) = 0. \quad (3.117)$$

Since

$$\vec{E}_{\parallel}(\vec{x}, t) = -\nabla U(\vec{x}, t) - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{A}_{\parallel}(\vec{x}, t) \quad (3.118)$$

so

$$\vec{E}_{\parallel}(\vec{k}, t) = -i\vec{k}\tilde{U}(\vec{k}, t) - \frac{1}{c} \dot{\vec{A}}_{\parallel}(\vec{k}, t), \quad (3.119)$$

$$i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{E}_{\parallel}(\vec{k}, t) = k^2 \tilde{U}(\vec{k}, t) - i \frac{\vec{k} \cdot \dot{\vec{A}}_{\parallel}(\vec{k}, t)}{c}. \quad (3.120)$$

$$k^2 \tilde{U}(\vec{k}, t) = 4\pi \tilde{\rho}(\vec{k}, t) + i \frac{\vec{k}}{c} \cdot \dot{\vec{A}}_{\parallel}(\vec{k}, t). \quad (3.121)$$

In Coulomb gauge,  $\vec{A}_{\parallel}(\vec{x}, t) = \dot{\vec{A}}_{\parallel}(\vec{k}, t) = 0$ , so we get Poisson equation

$$k^2 \tilde{U}(\vec{k}, t) = 4\pi \tilde{\rho}(\vec{k}, t), \quad (3.122)$$

in real space

$$\nabla^2 U(\vec{x}, t) = -4\pi \rho(\vec{x}, t). \quad (3.123)$$

### 3.2.8 Maxwell's wave equations

Generally, the Maxwell's wave equations for electromagnetic field holds:

$$\begin{aligned} & \nabla^2 \vec{E}(\vec{x}, t) - \nabla[\nabla \cdot \vec{E}(\vec{x}, t)] - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \vec{E}(\vec{x}, t) \\ &= \frac{4\pi}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{j}(\vec{x}, t) + \frac{4\pi}{c} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \vec{P}(\vec{x}, t). \end{aligned} \quad (3.124)$$

[Proof]

Maxwell's equations read,

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{D}(\vec{x}, t) = 4\pi \rho(\vec{x}, t),$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B}(\vec{x}, t) = 0,$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{E}(\vec{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{B}(\vec{x}, t),$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{H}(\vec{x}, t) = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j}(\vec{x}, t) + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{D}(\vec{x}, t),$$

$$\vec{B}(\vec{x}, t) = \vec{H}(\vec{x}, t)$$

$$\vec{D}(\vec{x}, t) = \vec{E}(\vec{x}, t) + 4\pi\vec{P}(\vec{x}, t).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times \nabla \times \vec{E} &= \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{E}) - \nabla^2 \vec{E} \\ &= -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \times \vec{B} \\ &= -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{D} \right) \\ &= -\frac{4\pi}{c^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{j} - \frac{1}{c^2} \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \vec{E} + 4\pi \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \vec{P} \right). \end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E}(\vec{x}, t) - \nabla[\nabla \cdot \vec{E}(\vec{x}, t)] - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \vec{E}(\vec{x}, t) = \frac{4\pi}{c^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{j}(\vec{x}, t) + \frac{4\pi}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \vec{P}(\vec{x}, t).$$

On the other hand, from

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla \cdot \vec{D}_{\parallel} = 4\pi\rho, \\ \nabla \times \vec{E}_{\perp} = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{B}_{\perp}, \\ \nabla \times \vec{H}_{\perp} = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{D}_{\perp} + \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j}_{\perp}, \\ 4\pi \vec{j}_{\parallel} + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{D}_{\parallel} = 0, \end{array} \right.$$

one has

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \vec{D}_{\parallel}(\vec{x}, t) + 4\pi \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{j}_{\parallel}(\vec{x}, t) = 0.$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times \nabla \times \vec{E}_{\perp} &= \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{E}_{\perp}) - \nabla^2 \vec{E}_{\perp} \\ &= -\nabla^2 \vec{E}_{\perp} \\ &= -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \times \vec{B}_{\perp} \\ &= -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{D}_{\perp} + \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j}_{\perp} \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \vec{D}_{\perp} - \frac{4\pi}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{j}_{\perp}, \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E}_\perp - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \vec{D}_\perp - \frac{4\pi}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{j}_\perp = 0,$$

i.e.,

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E}_\perp - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \vec{E}_\perp - \frac{4\pi}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \vec{P}_\perp - \frac{4\pi}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{j}_\perp = 0.$$

Then

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E}_\perp - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} (\vec{E}_\perp + \vec{E}_\parallel) - \frac{4\pi}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} (\vec{P}_\perp + \vec{P}_\parallel) - \frac{4\pi}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\vec{j}_\perp + \vec{j}_\parallel) = 0, \quad (3.125)$$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E}_\perp - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \vec{E} = \frac{4\pi}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \vec{P} + \frac{4\pi}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{j} \quad (3.126)$$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E} - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \vec{E} - \nabla^2 \vec{E}_\parallel = \frac{4\pi}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \vec{P} + \frac{4\pi}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{j}. \quad (3.127)$$

Next, evaluate  $\vec{E}_\parallel$  related:

Since

$$\nabla \times \nabla \times \vec{E}_\parallel = \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{E}_\parallel) - \nabla^2 \vec{E}_\parallel = 0, \quad (3.128)$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} -\nabla^2 \vec{E}_\parallel &= -\nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{E}_\parallel) \\ &= -\nabla[\nabla \cdot (\vec{E} - \vec{E}_\perp)] \\ &= -\nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{E}). \end{aligned} \quad (3.129)$$

Hence

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E} - \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{E}) - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \vec{E} = \frac{4\pi}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \vec{P} + \frac{4\pi}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{j}. \quad (3.130)$$

### 3.2.9 Newton-Lorentz equation in Coulomb gauge

Since

$$\vec{E}_\parallel = -\nabla U, \quad (3.131)$$

so

$$m_\alpha \ddot{\vec{x}}_\alpha(t) = -q_\alpha \nabla_{\vec{x}_\alpha} U(\vec{x}_\alpha, t) + q_\alpha \left[ \vec{E}_\perp(\vec{x}_\alpha(t), t) + \frac{\vec{v}_\alpha(t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{x}_\alpha(t), t)}{c} \right],$$

$$U(\vec{x}_\alpha, t) = U_{self} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} \frac{q_\beta}{|\vec{x}_\alpha(t) - \vec{x}_\beta(t)|}. \quad (3.132)$$

Since  $U_{self} = \text{constant}$ , so  $\nabla_{\vec{x}_\alpha} U_{self} = 0$  and it does not play a role in the Newton-Lorentz equation. Also, we can find that longitudinal field provide the Coulomb interaction between charge particles.

### 3.2.10 Charge and current densities:

Since

$$\rho(\vec{x}, t) = \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)), \quad (3.133)$$

$$\vec{j}(\vec{x}, t) = \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)). \quad (3.134)$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} &= \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} [\nabla_{\vec{x}} \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t))] \cdot \left[ -\frac{d\vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)}{dt} \right] \\ &= -\sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \cdot \nabla_{\vec{x}} \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)), \end{aligned} \quad (3.135)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot \vec{j}(\vec{x}, t) &= \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \nabla_{\vec{x}} \cdot [\delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)) \vec{v}_{\alpha}(t)] \\ &= \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \cdot \nabla_{\vec{x}} \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)), \end{aligned} \quad (3.136)$$

then

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{j}(\vec{x}, t) + \frac{\partial \rho(\vec{x}, t)}{\partial t} = 0. \quad (3.137)$$

### 3.2.11 Potential

$$\nabla^2 U(\vec{x}, t) = -4\pi \rho(\vec{x}, t) \quad (3.138)$$

gives

$$-k^2 \tilde{U}(\vec{k}, t) = -4\pi \tilde{\rho}(\vec{k}, t), \quad (3.139)$$

$$\tilde{U}(\vec{k}, t) = 4\pi \frac{\tilde{\rho}(\vec{k}, t)}{k^2} \quad (3.140)$$

$$\begin{aligned} U(\vec{x}, t) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int d^3 \vec{k} 4\pi \frac{\tilde{\rho}(\vec{k}, t)}{k^2} e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x}} \\ &= \frac{4\pi}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int d^3 \vec{x}' \mathcal{F}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{k^2} \right\} \mathcal{F}^{-1} \{ \tilde{\rho}(\vec{k}, t) e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x}} \}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.141)$$

where

$$\mathcal{F}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{k^2} \right\} = (2\pi)^{3/2} \frac{1}{4\pi r''}, \quad (3.142)$$

$$\mathcal{F}^{-1} \{ \tilde{\rho}(\vec{k}, t) e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x}} \} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int d^3 \vec{k} \tilde{\rho}(\vec{k}, t) e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x}} e^{-i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x}'} = \rho(\vec{x} - \vec{x}', t). \quad (3.143)$$

$$\begin{aligned} U(\vec{x}, t) &= \frac{4\pi}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int d^3 \vec{x}' \frac{1}{4\pi r''} (2\pi)^{3/2} \rho(\vec{x} - \vec{x}', t) \\ &= \int d^3 \vec{x}' \frac{\rho(\vec{x}', t)}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} \\ &= \sum_{\alpha} \frac{q_{\alpha}}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{\alpha}(t)|}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.144)$$

# Chapter 4

## Special Relativistic Theory

### 4.1 Preliminaries of Differential geometry

- Coordinate transform:

$$d\xi^a = \frac{\partial \xi^a}{\partial x^\mu} dx^\mu, \quad (4.1)$$

- Proper element:

$$ds^2 = d\xi_a d\xi^a \quad (4.2)$$

$$= \eta_{ab} d\xi^a d\xi^b \quad (4.3)$$

$$= \eta_{ab} \frac{\partial \xi^a}{\partial x^\mu} \frac{\partial \xi^b}{\partial x^\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu \quad (4.4)$$

$$= g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu. \quad (4.5)$$

$$(4.6)$$

- Metric:  $\eta_{ab} = \langle \vec{e}_a, \vec{e}_b \rangle$ ,  $g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{ab} \frac{\partial \xi^a}{\partial x^\mu} \frac{\partial \xi^b}{\partial x^\nu} = \langle \vec{e}_\mu, \vec{e}_\nu \rangle$ , are the metric of the manifold linear and curvilinear coordinates.

$$g = \det(g_{\mu\nu}).$$

- Volume element:

$$d^D \xi^a = \prod_a d\xi^a \wedge = \sqrt{g} \prod_\mu dx^\mu \wedge$$

Examples

$$\vec{r} = x\vec{e}_x + y\vec{e}_y + z\vec{e}_z \quad (4.7)$$

$$= \xi^1 \vec{e}_1 + \xi^2 \vec{e}_2 + \xi^3 \vec{e}_3 \quad (\text{rectangular})$$

$$= r \sin \theta \cos \phi \vec{e}_1 + r \sin \theta \sin \phi \vec{e}_2 + r \cos \theta \vec{e}_3 \quad (\text{spherical})$$

$$= \rho \cos \phi \vec{e}_1 + \rho \sin \phi \vec{e}_2 + z \vec{e}_3 \quad (\text{cylindrical})$$

1. Spherical:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{e}_r &= \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial r} = \sin \theta \cos \phi \vec{e}_1 + \sin \theta \sin \phi \vec{e}_2 + \cos \theta \vec{e}_3, \\ \vec{e}_\theta &= \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial \theta} = r \cos \theta \cos \phi \vec{e}_1 + r \cos \theta \sin \phi \vec{e}_2 - r \sin \theta \vec{e}_3, \\ \vec{e}_\phi &= \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial \phi} = -r \sin \theta \sin \phi \vec{e}_1 + r \sin \theta \cos \phi \vec{e}_2,\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}g_{rr} &= \langle \vec{e}_r, \vec{e}_r \rangle = \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \phi + \sin^2 \theta \sin^2 \phi + \cos^2 \theta = 1, \\ g_{r\theta} &= \langle \vec{e}_r, \vec{e}_\theta \rangle = r \sin \theta \cos \theta \cos^2 \phi + r \sin \theta \cos \theta \sin^2 \phi - r \sin \theta \cos \theta = 0, \\ g_{\theta\theta} &= \langle \vec{e}_\theta, \vec{e}_\theta \rangle = r^2 \cos^2 \theta \cos^2 \phi + r^2 \cos^2 \theta \sin^2 \phi + r^2 \sin^2 \theta = r^2, \\ g_{\theta\phi} &= \langle \vec{e}_\theta, \vec{e}_\phi \rangle = -r^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \sin \phi \cos \phi + r^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \sin \phi \cos \phi = 0, \\ g_{\phi\phi} &= \langle \vec{e}_\phi, \vec{e}_\phi \rangle = r^2 \sin^2 \theta \sin^2 \phi + r^2 \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \phi = r^2 \sin^2 \theta, \\ g_{\phi r} &= \langle \vec{e}_\phi, \vec{e}_r \rangle = -r \sin^2 \theta \sin \phi \cos \phi + r \sin^2 \theta \sin \phi \cos \phi = 0.\end{aligned}$$

Let  $r = 1$   $\theta = 2$   $\phi = 3$ , then

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & r^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & r^2 \sin^2 \theta \end{pmatrix}, \quad \det(g_{\mu\nu}) = r^4 \sin^2 \theta. \quad (4.8)$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}d^3 \vec{r} &= |d\xi^1 \wedge d\xi^2 \wedge d\xi^3| \\ &= \left| \frac{\partial \xi^1}{\partial x^\mu} dx^\mu \wedge \frac{\partial \xi^2}{\partial x^\nu} dx^\nu \wedge \frac{\partial \xi^3}{\partial x^\lambda} dx^\lambda \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{\partial \xi^1}{\partial x^\mu} \frac{\partial \xi^2}{\partial x^\nu} \frac{\partial \xi^3}{\partial x^\lambda} dx^\mu \wedge dx^\nu \wedge dx^\lambda \right| \\ &= \left| \epsilon^{\mu\nu\lambda} \frac{\partial \xi^1}{\partial x^\mu} \frac{\partial \xi^2}{\partial x^\nu} \frac{\partial \xi^3}{\partial x^\lambda} dx^1 \wedge dx^2 \wedge dx^3 \right| \\ &= \sqrt{g} |dx^1 \wedge dx^2 \wedge dx^3|,\end{aligned} \quad (4.9)$$

i.e.,

$$d^3 \vec{r} = r^2 \sin \theta dr d\theta d\phi. \quad (4.10)$$

2. Cylindrical

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{e}_\rho &= \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial \rho} = \cos \phi \vec{e}_1 + \sin \phi \vec{e}_2, \\ \vec{e}_\phi &= \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial \phi} = -\rho \sin \phi \vec{e}_1 + \rho \cos \phi \vec{e}_2, \\ \vec{e}_z &= \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial z} = \vec{e}_3,\end{aligned} \quad (4.11)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
g_{\rho\rho} &= \langle \vec{e}_\rho, \vec{e}_\rho \rangle = \cos^2 \phi + \sin^2 \phi = 1, \\
g_{\phi\phi} &= \langle \vec{e}_\phi, \vec{e}_\phi \rangle = \rho^2 \sin^2 \phi + \rho^2 \cos^2 \phi = \rho^2, \\
g_{zz} &= \langle \vec{e}_z, \vec{e}_z \rangle = 1, \\
g_{\rho\phi} &= \langle \vec{e}_\rho, \vec{e}_\phi \rangle = -\rho \sin \phi \cos \phi + \rho \sin \phi \cos \phi = 0, \\
g_{\phi z} &= \langle \vec{e}_\phi, \vec{e}_z \rangle = 0, \\
g_{z\rho} &= \langle \vec{e}_z, \vec{e}_\rho \rangle = 0.
\end{aligned} \tag{4.12}$$

So

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \rho^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \det(g_{\mu\nu}) = \rho^2. \tag{4.13}$$

$$d^3\vec{r} = \sqrt{g} dp d\phi dz = \rho dp d\phi dz. \tag{4.14}$$

## 4.2 Fundamentals of relativistic theory

1. Coordinates:

$$\xi^a = (\xi^0, \vec{\xi}) = (ct, \vec{\xi}), \quad \xi_a = \eta_{ab}\xi^b = (\xi_0, \vec{\xi}) = (-ct, \vec{\xi}), \tag{4.15}$$

where  $\eta_{ab} = (-1, 1, 1, 1)$ .

2. Momentum:

$$p^a = (p^0, \vec{p}) = \left( \frac{E}{c}, \vec{p} \right), \quad p_a = \eta_{ab}p^b = (p_0, \vec{p}) = \left( -\frac{E}{c}, \vec{p} \right). \tag{4.16}$$

3. Energy:

From the definition of invariant proper time

$$d\tau^2 = dt^2 - \frac{d\vec{\xi}^2}{c^2}, \tag{4.17}$$

one has

$$d\tau = dt \sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}} = dt \gamma^{-1}, \tag{4.18}$$

so

$$\frac{dt}{d\tau} = \gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}}. \tag{4.19}$$

Now, evaluate  $p_a p^a$  :

$$\begin{aligned}
p_a p^a &= \eta_{ab} p_a p^a \\
&= -(p^0)^2 + \vec{p}^2 \\
&= -\frac{E^2}{c^2} + \vec{p}^2.
\end{aligned}$$



On the other hand

$$p^a = m \frac{d\xi^a}{d\tau} = m \frac{d\xi^a}{d\xi^0} \frac{d\xi^0}{d\tau} = m \frac{d\xi^a}{dt} \frac{dt}{d\tau} = m\gamma \frac{d\xi^a}{dt} = mu^a, \quad (4.20)$$

$$u^a = \frac{d\xi^a}{d\tau} = \frac{d\xi^a}{dt} \frac{dt}{d\tau} = \gamma \frac{d\xi^a}{dt},$$

where

$$u^0 = \gamma \frac{d\xi^0}{dt} = \gamma c,$$

$$\vec{u} = \gamma \frac{d\vec{\xi}}{dt} = \gamma \vec{v}.$$

Hence

$$p^0 = m\gamma c, \quad \vec{p} = m\gamma \vec{v}.$$

Therefore

$$p_a p^a = m^2 u_a u^a = -m^2 \gamma^2 (c^2 - \vec{v}^2) = -m^2 c^2,$$

$$u_a u^a = -c^2.$$

Therefore, one has

$$-m^2 c^2 = -\frac{E^2}{c^2} + \vec{p}^2,$$

i.e.,

$$E^2 = \vec{p}^2 c^2 + m^2 c^4,$$

where  $E$  is the total mass-energy,  $mc^2$  is the rest mass-energy and  $|\vec{p}c|$  is the kinetic energy of the particle.

4. Two invariant variables in Lorentz transform:

(a) Four-dimensional Dirac- $\delta$  function:

$$d^4\xi = |d\xi^0 \wedge d\xi^1 \wedge d\xi^2 \wedge d\xi^3| = d^4\xi' = |d\xi'^0 \wedge d\xi'^1 \wedge d\xi'^2 \wedge d\xi'^3|,$$

where  $\xi'^a = \Lambda^a_b \xi^b$ ,  $\xi^a_\alpha = \Lambda^a_\alpha \xi^b$ ,  $\Lambda^a_b$  is the matrix element of the Lorentz transform.

(b) Four dimensional Volume element:

$$\delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha) = \delta^4(\xi' - \xi'_\alpha),$$

[Proof]

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
d^4\xi' &= |d\xi'^0 \wedge d\xi'^1 \wedge d\xi'^2 \wedge d\xi'^3| \\
&= |\Lambda_{.a}^0 \Lambda_{.b}^1 \Lambda_{.c}^2 \Lambda_{.d}^3 d\xi^a \wedge d\xi^b \wedge d\xi^c \wedge d\xi^d| \\
&= \epsilon^{abcd} \Lambda_{.a}^0 \Lambda_{.b}^1 \Lambda_{.c}^2 \Lambda_{.d}^3 |d\xi^0 \wedge d\xi^1 \wedge d\xi^2 \wedge d\xi^3| \\
&= (\det \Lambda_{.b}^a) d^4\xi \\
&= d^4\xi,
\end{aligned}$$

where we have used the identify  $\det(\Lambda_{.b}^a) = 1$ .

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
\delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^4} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{ik_a(\xi^a - \xi_\alpha^a)} d^4k \\
&= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^4} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{ik_a \bar{\Lambda}_{.a}^b (\xi'^b - \xi'_\alpha{}^b)} d^4k \\
&= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^4} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{ik'_a (\xi'^a - \xi'_\alpha{}^a)} \det(\bar{\Lambda}_{.a}^b) d^4k' \\
&= \delta^4(\xi' - \xi'_\alpha),
\end{aligned}$$

where we have used the identity  $d^4k = \det(\bar{\Lambda}_{.a}^b) d^4k'$ , and  $\det(\bar{\Lambda}_{.a}^b) = 1$ .

[EOP]

5. Energy-momentum density field of a particle:

$$\begin{aligned}
T^{ab}(\xi) &= c \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha(\tau)) m \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau} \frac{d\xi_\alpha^b}{d\tau} d\tau \\
&= c^2 \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t)) \frac{p^a(t) p^b(t)}{E(t)},
\end{aligned}$$

where  $T^{ab}$  is called the energy-momentum density tensor of a particle, which is a 2<sup>nd</sup> order contravariant tensor, i.e.,  $T'^{ab}(\xi) = \Lambda_{.c}^a \Lambda_{.d}^b T^{cd}(\xi)$ . Then, the energy-momentum 4-vector is

$$p^a(t) = \frac{1}{c} \int_{V_\infty(t)} T^{a0}(\xi) d^3\vec{\xi} = m \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau},$$

and  $V_\infty(t)$  denotes the total space at  $\xi^0 = ct$ .  $p^a(t)$  is a contravariant vector, i.e.,

$$p'^a(t') = \Lambda_{.b}^a p^b(t)$$

[Proof]

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
T^{ab}(\xi) &= c \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha(\tau)) m \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau} \frac{d\xi_\alpha^b}{d\tau} \frac{d\tau}{d\xi^0} d\xi^0 \\
&= cm \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau} \frac{d\xi_\alpha^b}{d\tau} \frac{d\tau}{d\xi^0} \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t)) \\
&= m \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau} \frac{d\xi_\alpha^b}{d\tau} \gamma^{-1} \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t)).
\end{aligned}$$

At the same time,

$$p^a = m \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau}, \quad p^b = m \frac{d\xi_\alpha^b}{d\tau}, \quad E = p^0 c = mc \frac{d\xi_\alpha^0}{d\tau} = mc^2 \gamma,$$

so

$$c^2 \frac{p^a p^b}{E} = m \gamma^{-1} \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau} \frac{d\xi_\alpha^b}{d\tau},$$

hence

$$T^{ab}(\xi) = c^2 \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t)) \frac{p^a(t) p^b(t)}{E(t)}.$$

(b)

$$p^a(t) = m \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau}, \tag{4.21}$$

$$\frac{1}{c} \int_{V_\infty(t)} T^{a0}(\xi) d^3 \vec{\xi} = \frac{1}{c} \int_{V_\infty(t)} c^2 \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t)) \frac{p^a(t) p^0(t)}{E(t)} d^3 \vec{\xi}.$$

Since

$$p^0(t) = \frac{E(t)}{c}, \quad p^a = m \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau},$$

So

$$\frac{1}{c} \int_{V_\infty(t)} T^{a0}(\xi) d^3 \vec{\xi} = \int_{V_\infty(t)} \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t)) p^a(t) d^3 \vec{\xi} = p^a(t) = m \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau}.$$

(c) Since  $t$  is a fixed number,  $d\xi^0 = 0$ , so

$$\begin{aligned}
p^a(t) &= \frac{1}{c} \int_{V_\infty(t)} T^{a0}(\xi) d^3 \vec{\xi} \\
&= \frac{1}{c} \frac{1}{3!} \int_{V_\infty(t)} T^{ab}(\xi) \epsilon_{bcde} |d\xi^c \wedge d\xi^d \wedge d\xi^e|,
\end{aligned}$$

therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
p'^a(t') &= \frac{1}{c} \frac{1}{3!} \int_{V_\infty(t')} T'^{ab}(\xi') \epsilon_{bcde} |d\xi'^c \wedge d\xi'^d \wedge d\xi'^e| \\
&= \frac{1}{c} \frac{1}{3!} \int_{V_\infty(t)} \Lambda^a_{.a1} \wedge \Lambda^b_{.b1} T^{a_1 b_1}(\xi') \cdot \epsilon_{bcde} \cdot \Lambda^c_{.c1} \cdot \Lambda^d_{.d1} \cdot \Lambda^e_{.e1} |d\xi^{c_1} \wedge d\xi^{d_1} \wedge d\xi^{e_1}| \\
&= \frac{1}{c} \frac{1}{3!} \Lambda^a_{.a1} \int_{V_\infty(t)} T^{a_1 b_1}(\xi') (\det \Lambda^g_{.f}) \epsilon_{b_1 c_1 d_1 e_1} |d\xi^{c_1} \wedge d\xi^{d_1} \wedge d\xi^{e_1}| \\
&= \Lambda^a_{.b} p^b(t).
\end{aligned}$$

[EOP]

6. Force density  $G(\xi)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
G^a(\xi) &= c \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha(\tau)) f^a(\tau) d\tau \\
&= c \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(\xi^0)) f^a(\xi^0) \frac{d\tau}{d\xi^0}.
\end{aligned}$$

[Proof]

$$\begin{aligned}
G^a(\xi) &= c \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha(\tau)) f^a(\tau) d\tau \\
&= c \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(\tau)) \delta(\xi^0 - \xi^0_\alpha(\tau)) f^a(\tau) \frac{d\tau}{d\xi^0} d\xi^0 \\
&= c \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(\tau)) f^a(\xi^0) \frac{d\tau}{d\xi^0}.
\end{aligned}$$

[EOP]

7. Action law:

$$\partial_b T^{ab}(\xi) = G^a(\xi).$$

[Proof]

$$\begin{aligned}
\partial_b T^{ab}(\xi) &= c \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi^b} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha(\tau)) m \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau} \frac{d\xi_\alpha^b}{d\tau} d\tau \\
&= -c \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} m \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau} \frac{d\xi_\alpha^b}{d\tau} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi_\alpha^b} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha(\tau)) d\tau \\
&= -c \left[ m \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau} \delta^4(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(\tau)) \Big|_{-\infty}^{+\infty} - \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha(\tau)) m \frac{d^2 \xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau^2} d\tau \right] \\
&= c \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha(\tau)) f^a(\tau) d\tau \\
&= G^a(\xi).
\end{aligned}$$

[EOP]

8. If  $\rho^a(\xi) = T^{a0}(\xi)$  is the energy momentum density field,  $\vec{j}^a(\xi) = c(T^{a1}(\xi), T^{a2}(\xi), T^{a3}(\xi))$  is the current density of the energy momentum field, when  $G^a(\xi) = 0$ , one has,

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

[Proof]

Since  $G^a(\xi) = 0$ , so  $\partial_b T^{ab}(\xi) = 0$ , therefore

$$\partial_0 T^{a0}(\xi) + \partial_k T^{ak}(\xi) = 0,$$

in which

$$\partial_0 T^{a0}(\xi) = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} T^{a0} = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho^a,$$

$$\partial_k T^{ak}(\xi) = \frac{1}{c} \nabla \cdot \vec{j}^a(\xi),$$

hence

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

[EOP]

9. When  $G^a(\xi) = 0$ , the 4-momentum is conserved, i.e.,

$$\frac{\partial p^a}{\partial t} = 0.$$

[Proof]

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial p^a}{\partial t} &= \frac{1}{c} \int_{V_{\infty(t)}} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} T^{a0}(\xi) d^3 \vec{\xi} \\ &= \frac{1}{c} \int_{V_{\infty(t)}} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho^a(\xi) d^3 \vec{\xi} \\ &= - \int_{V_{\infty(t)}} \nabla \cdot \vec{j}^a(\xi) d^3 \vec{\xi} \\ &= \oint_{\partial V_{\infty(t)}} \vec{j}^a(\xi) \cdot d^3 \vec{S} \\ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\partial V_{\infty(t)}$  is the boundary of  $V_{\infty(t)}$  at  $\xi^0 = ct$ . At the boundary,  $\vec{j}^a$  is zero. The reason is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} T^{ak}(\xi)|_{\xi \in \partial V_{\infty(t)}} &= T^{ak}(t, \xi)|_{\xi \in \partial V_{\infty(t)}} \\ &= c^2 \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t)) \frac{p^a(t) p^k(t)}{E(t)} \Big|_{\xi \in \partial V_{\infty(t)}}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $|\xi_\alpha(\tau) < \infty|$ , hence  $\delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t))|_{\xi \in \partial V_{\infty(t)}} = 0$  (i.e.,  $|\vec{\xi}| \rightarrow \infty$ ).

[EOP]

10. Angular momentum and spin:

(a) The angular momentum density tensor is defined as

$$M^{abc}(\xi) = \xi^a T^{bc}(\xi) - \xi^b T^{ac}(\xi). \quad (4.22)$$

(b) The angular momentum is defined as

$$J^{ab}(t) = \int_{V_\infty(t)} M^{ab0} d^3 \vec{\xi}. \quad (4.23)$$

(c) Spin is defined as

$$S_a = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{abcd} J^{bc} U^d, \quad (4.24)$$

where  $U^d = p^d/M$ ,  $M$  is the rest mass of the system and

$$M = [-\eta_{ab} p^a p^b]^{1/2}/c. \quad (4.25)$$

11. Mass system

$$T^{ab}(\xi) = c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha(\tau)) m \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau} \frac{d\xi_\alpha^b}{d\tau} d\tau, \quad (4.26)$$

$$G^a(\xi) = c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha(\tau)) f^a(\tau) d\tau, \quad (4.27)$$

$$p^a(\xi) = \frac{1}{c} \int_{V_\infty(t)} T^{a0}(\xi) d^3 \vec{\xi}. \quad (4.28)$$

## 4.3 Electrodynamics in covariant forms

### 4.3.1 Electric current density 4-vector:

$$j^a = c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} q_\alpha \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha(\tau)) \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a(\tau)}{d\tau} d\tau.$$

Notes:

1.  $\vec{j}(\xi) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t)) q_\alpha \vec{v}_\alpha(t).$

2.  $j^0(\xi) = c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(\tau)) q_\alpha = \rho(\vec{\xi})c.$

3. Continuity equation (conservation of charge):

- (a)  $\partial_a j^a(\xi) = 0,$

$$(b) \quad \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \vec{j}(\xi) = 0;$$

$$(c) \quad Q = \int_{V_\infty(t)} \rho(\xi) d^3 \vec{\xi} = \sum_{\alpha=1}^N q_\alpha, \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{dQ}{dt} = 0.$$

[Proof]

1.

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{j}(\xi) &= c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} q_\alpha \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha(\tau)) \frac{d\vec{\xi}_\alpha(\tau)}{d\tau} \frac{d\tau}{d\xi^0} d\xi^0 \\ &= c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} q_\alpha \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(\tau)) \delta(\xi^0 - \xi_\alpha^0(\tau)) \frac{d\vec{\xi}_\alpha(\xi^0)}{d\xi^0} d\xi^0 \\ &= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N q_\alpha \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t)) \vec{v}_\alpha(t); \end{aligned}$$

2.

$$\begin{aligned} j^0(\xi) &= c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} q_\alpha \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha(\tau)) \frac{d\xi_\alpha^0(\tau)}{d\tau} \frac{d\tau}{d\xi^0} d\xi^0 \\ &= c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} q_\alpha \delta^4(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(\tau)) \delta(\xi^0 - \xi_\alpha^0(\tau)) \frac{d\xi_\alpha^0(\xi^0)}{d\xi^0} d\xi^0 \\ &= c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N q_\alpha \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t)) \\ &= \rho(\xi) c; \end{aligned}$$

3.

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_a j^a &= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} q_\alpha \partial_a \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha(\tau)) \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a(\tau)}{d\tau} d\tau \\ &= - \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} q_\alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi_\alpha^a} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha(\tau)) \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a(\tau)}{d\tau} d\tau \\ &= - \sum_{\alpha=1}^N q_\alpha \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha(t)) \Big|_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \\ &= 0; \end{aligned}$$

$$\partial_a j^a = \frac{\partial}{\partial ct} (\rho c) + \nabla \cdot \vec{j} = \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \vec{j} = 0;$$

$$Q = \int d^3 \vec{\xi} \rho(\xi);$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{dQ}{dt} &= \int d^3\xi \vec{\xi} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} \\
&= - \int d^3\xi \vec{\xi} \nabla \cdot \vec{j} \\
&= - \oint \vec{j} \cdot d\vec{S} \\
&= 0.
\end{aligned}$$

[EOP]

### 4.3.2 Maxwell's equations in covariant form:

1. Four-dimensional electromagnetic potential:

$$A^a = (A^0, \vec{A}) = (\phi, \vec{A}).$$

2. Electromagnetic field tensor:

$$F^{ab} = \partial^a A^b - \partial^b A^a.$$

3. Electric field and magnetic field written by the components of  $F^{ab}$ :

$$E^k = F^{0k}, \quad B^k = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{kij} F_{ij}.$$

4. Maxwell's equations:

$$\begin{aligned}
\epsilon^{abcd} \partial_b F_{cd} &= 0, \quad (\partial_a F_{bc} + \partial_b F_{ca} + \partial_c F_{ab}) = 0, \\
\partial_b F^{ab} &= \frac{4\pi}{c} j^a.
\end{aligned}$$

[Proof]

1. Considering  $\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$ , one has

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

i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned}
B^k &= \epsilon^{kij} \partial_i A_j \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{kij} (\partial_i A_j - \partial_j A_i) \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{kij} F_{ij}.
\end{aligned}$$

Further, from

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{B},$$



one has

$$\nabla \times \left( \vec{E} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{A} \right) = 0,$$

therefore

$$\vec{E} = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{A} - \nabla A^0,$$

i.e.,

$$E^k = \partial^0 A^k - \partial^k A^0 = F^{0k}.$$

2. From  $\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$ , one has

$$\partial_k B^k = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{kij} \partial_k F_{ij} = 0,$$

so that

$$\epsilon^{0abc} \partial_a F_{bc} = 0.$$

From

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{B},$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} F_{0j} &= \eta_{0c} \eta_{jk} F^{ck} \quad (j = 1, 2, 3) \\ &= \eta_{00} \eta_{jk} F^{0k} \\ &= \eta_{00} \delta_k^j F^{0k} \\ &= \eta_{00} F^{0j} \\ &= -F^{0j}, \end{aligned}$$

$$E_j = \eta_{jl} E^l = \eta_{jl} F^{0l} = -\eta_{jl} F_{0l} = -F_{0j} = F_{j0},$$

one has

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla \times \vec{E})^k &= \epsilon^{kij} \partial_i E_j \\ &= \epsilon^{kij} \partial_i F_{j0} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{kij} (\partial_i F_{j0} - \partial_j F_{i0}). \end{aligned}$$

Because

$$\left( \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{B} \right)^k = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{kij} F_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{kij} \partial_0 F_{ij},$$

therefore

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \nabla \times \vec{E} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{B} \\ \implies 0 &= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{0kij} (\partial_i F_{j0} - \partial_j F_{i0} + \partial_0 F_{ij}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{kij} (\partial_0 F_{ij} + \partial_j F_{0i} + \partial_i F_{j0}) \\ &= -\frac{1}{4} \epsilon^{kabc} \partial_a F_{bc}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, one has

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon^{0abc}\partial_a F_{bc} &= 0, \\ \epsilon^{kabc}\partial_a F_{bc} &= 0. \quad (k \neq 0)\end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\epsilon^{abcd}\partial_b F_{cd} = 0,$$

which is equivalent to

$$\partial_a F_{bc} + \partial_b F_{ca} + \partial_c F_{ab} = 0.$$

3. From

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{4\pi}{c} j^0,$$

one has

$$\partial_k F^{0k} = \frac{4\pi}{c} j^0 \implies \partial_b F^{0b} = \frac{4\pi}{c} j^0.$$

From

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{E},$$

one has

$$\epsilon^{kij}\partial_i B_j = \frac{4\pi}{c} j^k + \partial_0 E^k.$$

Because

$$\begin{aligned}B_j &= \eta_{jl} B^l \\ &= \eta_{jl} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{lmn} F_{mn} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \eta_{jl} \eta^{ll'} \eta^{mm'} \eta^{nn'} \epsilon_{l'm'n'} F^{m''n''} \eta_{mm''} \eta_{nn''} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \eta_{jl} \eta^{ll'} \delta_{m''}^{m'} \delta_{n''}^{n'} \epsilon_{l'm'n'} F^{m''n''} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \delta_j^{l'} \epsilon_{l'm'n'} F^{m'n'} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{jmn} F^{mn},\end{aligned}$$

therefore

$$\begin{aligned}\text{l.h.s.} &= \epsilon^{kij} \partial_i \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{jmn} F^{mn} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\delta_m^k \delta_n^i - \delta_n^k \delta_m^i) \partial_i F^{mn} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\partial_i F^{ki} - \partial_i F^{ik}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\partial_i F^{ki} + \partial_i F^{ki}) \\ &= \partial_i F^{ki},\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{r.h.s.} &= \partial_0 E^k + \frac{4\pi}{c} j^k \\
&= \partial_0 F^{0k} + \frac{4\pi}{c} j^k \\
&= -\partial_0 F^{k0} + \frac{4\pi}{c} j^k,
\end{aligned}$$

therefore

$$\partial_i F^{ki} + \partial_0 F^{k0} = \frac{4\pi}{c} j^k,$$

i.e.,

$$\partial_b F^{kb} = \frac{4\pi}{c} j^k. \quad (b = 0, 1, 2, 3)$$

In summary, since

$$\begin{aligned}
\partial_b F^{0b} &= \frac{4\pi}{c} j^0, \\
\partial_b F^{kb} &= \frac{4\pi}{c} j^k,
\end{aligned}$$

one have

$$\partial_b F^{ab} = \frac{4\pi}{c} j^a.$$

[EOP]

### 4.3.3 Lorentz force:

1.

$$\begin{aligned}
f^a &= qF^{ab}u_b/c, \\
\frac{dp^a}{d\tau} &= f^a.
\end{aligned}$$

2.

$$G^a(\xi) = F^{ab}(\xi)j_b(\xi)/c.$$

[Proof]

1.

$$\begin{aligned}
f^0 &= \frac{dp^0}{d\tau} \\
&= qF^{0b}u_b/c \\
&= qF^{0k}u_k/c + qF^{00}u_0/c, \\
u_k &= \frac{d\xi_k}{d\tau} = \frac{d\xi_k}{dt} \frac{dt}{d\tau} = v_k \cdot \gamma, \\
u_0 &= \frac{d\xi_0}{d\tau} = \frac{d\xi_0}{dt} \frac{dt}{d\tau} = -\gamma c,
\end{aligned}$$

therefore

$$\begin{aligned} f^0 &= qE^k \cdot \gamma v_k / c \\ &= q\vec{E} \cdot \vec{v} \cdot \gamma / c. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\frac{dp^0}{dt} = \frac{dp^0}{d\tau} \frac{d\tau}{dt} = f^0 \cdot \gamma^{-1} = q(\vec{v} \cdot \vec{E}) \cdot \gamma \cdot \gamma^{-1} / c = q(\vec{v} \cdot \vec{E}) / c$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} &= \frac{d\vec{p}}{d\tau} \frac{d\tau}{dt} \\ &= qF^{kl} u_l \frac{d\tau}{dt} \vec{e}_k / c \\ &= q(F^{k0} u_0 + F^{kj} u_j) \frac{d\tau}{dt} \vec{e}_k / c \\ &= q[-E^k \cdot (-\gamma c) + \epsilon^{kij} u_j B_i] \frac{d\tau}{dt} \vec{e}_k / c \\ &= q[E^k + \epsilon^{kij} v_i B_j] \gamma \frac{d\tau}{dt} \vec{e}_k \\ &= q \left[ \vec{E} + \frac{\vec{v} \times \vec{B}}{c} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

2.

$$\begin{aligned} G^a(\xi) &= c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha(\tau)) f^a(\tau) d\tau \\ &= c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha(\tau)) F^{ab}(\xi_\alpha(\tau)) q_\alpha u_{ab} d\tau / c \\ &= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha(\tau)) F^{ab}(\xi_\alpha(\tau)) q_\alpha \frac{d\xi_{ab}(\tau)}{d\tau} d\tau \\ &= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N F^{ab}(\xi) \eta_{bc} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha(\tau)) q_\alpha \frac{d\xi_\alpha^c}{d\tau} d\tau \\ &= F^{ab}(\xi) \eta_{bc} j^c(\xi) / c \\ &= F^{ab}(\xi) j_b(\xi) / c. \end{aligned}$$

[EOP]

3. Motion equation of charged particles in electromagnetic field:

$$G^a(\xi) = \partial_b T^{ab}(\xi) = F^{ab}(\xi) j_b(\xi) / c,$$

$$T_{tot}^{ab} = T^{ab}(\xi) + T_{em}^{ab}(\xi),$$

$$T^{ab}(\xi) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^n T_\alpha^{ab}(\xi) = c \cdot \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha(\tau)) m_\alpha \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau} \frac{d\xi_\alpha^b}{d\tau} d\tau,$$

$$T_{em}^{ab}(\xi) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[ F_{\cdot c}^a(\xi) F^{bc}(\xi) - \frac{1}{4} \eta^{ab} F_{cd}(\xi) F^{cd}(\xi) \right].$$

$$\partial_b T_{tot}^{ab}(\xi) = 0.$$

[Proof]

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_b T_{tot}^{ab}(\xi) &= \partial_b T^{ab}(\xi) + \partial_b T_{em}^{ab}(\xi) \\ &= F^{ab}(\xi) j_b(\xi) / c + \partial_b T_{em}^{ab}(\xi); \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} F^{ab} j_b / c &= F^{ab} \cdot \eta_{bc} j^c / c \\ &= F_{\cdot c}^a \cdot \frac{c}{4\pi} \partial_b F^{cb} / c \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi} [-\partial_b F_{\cdot c}^a F^{bc} + (\partial^b F^{ac}) F_{bc}], \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} F_{bc} \partial^b F^{ac} &= \frac{1}{2} (F_{bc} \partial^b F^{ac} + F_{cb} \partial^c F^{ab}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} F_{bc} (\partial^b F^{ac} + \partial^c F^{ba}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} F_{bc} \partial^a F^{bc} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \partial^a (F_{cd} F^{cd}) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \eta^{ab} \partial_b F_{cd} F^{cd}. \end{aligned}$$

Because

$$\partial^b F^{ac} + \partial^a F^{cb} + \partial^c F^{ba} = 0$$

so

$$\partial^b F^{ac} + \partial^c F^{ba} = -\partial^a F^{cb} = \partial^a F^{bc}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} F^{ab} j_b / c &= -\partial_b [F_{\cdot c}^a F^{bc} - \frac{1}{4} \eta^{ab} F_{cd} F^{cd}] \cdot \frac{1}{4\pi} \\ &= -\partial_b T_{em}^{ab}(\xi), \end{aligned}$$

therefore

$$\partial_b T_{tot}^{ab}(\xi) = 0.$$

[EOP]

## 4.4 Summary

### 4.4.1 Electromagnetic field tensor: $F^{ab}$

The electromagnetic field tensor is defined as

$$F^{ab} = \partial^a A^b - \partial^b A^a, \quad F_{ab} = \partial_a A_b - \partial_b A_a$$

Now we examine the properties and elements of this tensor, In the following discussions, we assume that  $a, b, c, d, e = 0, 1, 2, 3$ ;  $i, j, k, l, m, n = 1, 2, 3$ .

1.  $F^{ab}(F_{ab})$  is an anti-symmetric, i.e.,  $F_{ab} = -F_{ba}$ ,  $F_{ab} = -F_{ba}$ .
2. On  $F^{aa}$  :  $F^{aa} = F_{aa} = 0$ .
3.  $F^{0k} = -F_{0k} = -F^{0k}F_{k0}$  :

$$F^{0k} = \partial^0 A^k - \partial^k A^0 + -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial a^k}{\partial t} - \partial_k A^0 = E^k.$$

That is to say,  $F^{0k}$  plays the role of the three components of the electric field.

4. On  $F^{ij}$  :

$$B^k = (\nabla \times \vec{A})^k = \varepsilon^{kij} \partial_i A_j = \frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon^{kij} \partial_i A_j - \partial_j A_i) = \frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon^{kij} F_{ij}.$$

So,

$$B^1 = \frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon^{1ij} F_{ij} = \frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon^{123} F_{23} + \varepsilon^{132} F_{32}) = \frac{1}{2}(F_{23} + F_{23}) = F_{23},$$

$$B^2 = \frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon^{2ij} F_{ij} = \frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon^{231} F_{31} + \varepsilon^{213} F_{13}) = \frac{1}{2}(F_{31} + F_{31}) = F_{31},$$

$$B^3 = \frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon^{3ij} F_{ij} = \frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon^{312} F_{12} + \varepsilon^{321} F_{21}) = \frac{1}{2}(F_{12} + F_{12}) = F_{12}.$$

5. Matric representation of  $F^{ab}$  and  $F_{ab}$ :

$$F^{ab} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & E^1 & E^2 & E^3 \\ -E^1 & 0 & B^3 & -B^2 \\ -E^2 & -B^3 & 0 & B^1 \\ -E^3 & B^3 & -B^1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad F_{ab} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -E^1 & -E^2 & -E^3 \\ E^1 & 0 & B^3 & -B^2 \\ E^2 & -B^3 & 0 & B^1 \\ E^3 & B^3 & -B^1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (4.29)$$

### 4.4.2 Energy-momentum density tensor of the electromagnetic field: $T_{em}^{ab}$

The energy-momentum density tensor of the electromagnetic field:

$$T_{em}^{ab} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \left( F_{.c}^a F^{bc} - \frac{1}{4} \eta^{ab} F_{cd} F^{cd} \right) = \frac{1}{4\pi} F_{.c}^a F^{bc} + \eta^{ab} \mathcal{L}_{em} \quad (4.30)$$

Now we examine the properties and elements of this tensor, and we assume that  $a, b, c, d, e = 0, 1, 2, 3$ ;  $i, j, k, l, m, n = 1, 2, 3$ .

1.  $T_{em}^{ab}$  is a symmetric tensor, i.e.,  $T_{em}^{ab} = T_{em}^{ba}$ .
2. On  $T_{em}^{00}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
T_{em}^{00} &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left( F_{.c}^0 F^{0c} - \frac{1}{4} \eta^{00} F_{cd} F^{cd} \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left( F^{0c} F^{0c} + \frac{1}{4} F_{cd} F^{cd} \right) \\
&= \frac{\vec{E}^2}{4\pi} - \frac{1}{8\pi} (\vec{E}^2 - \vec{B}^2) \\
&= \frac{1}{8\pi} (\vec{E}^2 + \vec{B}^2) \\
&= w_{em} \\
&= \mathcal{H}_{em}
\end{aligned}$$

So,  $T_{em}^{00} = \mathcal{H}_{em}$  plays the role of the energy density, and also, the Hamiltonian density of the electromagnetic field. Also, it should be mentioned that

$$\mathcal{L}_{em} = -\frac{1}{16\pi} F_{cd} F^{cd} = \frac{1}{8\pi} (\vec{E}^2 - \vec{B}^2),$$

is the Lagrangian density of the free electromagnetic field.

3. On  $T_{em}^{0k}$ :

$$T_{em}^{0k} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \left( F_{.c}^0 F^{kc} - \frac{1}{4} \eta^{0k} F_{cd} F^{cd} \right) = \frac{1}{4\pi} F_{.i}^0 F^{ki} = \frac{1}{4\pi} F^{0i} F^{ki}.$$

On the other hand, since

$$(\vec{E} \times \vec{B})^k = \varepsilon^{kij} E_j B_i = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^{kij} F^{0i} \varepsilon_{jlm} F^{lm} = \frac{1}{2} (\delta_l^k \delta_m^i - \delta_m^k \delta_l^i) F^{0i} F^{lm} = F^{0i} F^{ki}.$$

So, one yields

$$T_{em}^{0k} = \frac{1}{4\pi} (\vec{E} \times \vec{B})^k = \frac{1}{c} (\vec{S})^k.$$

That is to say,  $T_{em}^{0k}$  plays the role of the  $k^{th}$  component of the Poynting vector (energy-flux vector).

4. On  $T_{em}^{ij}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
T_{em}^{ij} &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left( F_{.c}^i F^{jc} - \frac{1}{4} \eta^{ij} F_{cd} F^{cd} \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left( F_{ic} F^{jc} - \frac{1}{4} \delta_j^i F_{cd} F^{cd} \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left( F_{i0} F^{j0} + F^{ik} F^{jk} - \frac{1}{4} \delta_j^i F_{cd} F^{cd} \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left( -F^{i0} F^{j0} + F_{ik} F^{jk} - \frac{1}{4} \delta_j^i F_{cd} F^{cd} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{4\pi}(-E^i E^j + F_{ik} F^{jk}) - \frac{1}{16\pi} \delta_j^i F_{cd} F^{cd} \\
&= \frac{1}{4\pi}(-E^i E^j + F_{ik} F^{jk}) + \frac{1}{8\pi}(\vec{E}^2 - \vec{B}^2)\delta_j^i \\
&= \frac{1}{4\pi}(-E^i E^j - B^i B^j + \vec{B}^2 \delta_j^i) + \frac{1}{8\pi}(\vec{E}^2 - \vec{B}^2)\delta_j^i \\
&= -\frac{1}{4\pi}(E^i E^j + B^i B^j - \frac{1}{2}\vec{E}^2 \delta_j^i - \frac{1}{2}\vec{B}^2 \delta_j^i)
\end{aligned}$$

5. Matrix representation of  $T_{em}^{ab}$ :

$$F^{ab} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{H}_{em} & \frac{1}{c}S^1 & \frac{1}{c}S^2 & \frac{1}{c}S^3 \\ \frac{1}{c}S^1 & & & \\ \frac{1}{c}S^2 & & \mathcal{T} & \\ \frac{1}{c}S^3 & & & \end{bmatrix}. \quad (4.31)$$

where

$$\mathcal{T} = -\frac{1}{4\pi}(\vec{E}\vec{E} + \vec{B}\vec{B} - \frac{1}{2}\vec{E}^2\mathcal{I} - \frac{1}{2}\vec{B}^2\mathcal{I}).$$

6. Energy-Momentum theorem:  $\partial_b T_{em}^{ab} = -\frac{1}{c}F^{ab}j_b$ .

(a) For  $a = 0$ :

$$\partial_b T_{em}^{0b} = \partial_0 T_{em}^{00} + \partial_k T_{em}^{0k} = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} w_{em} + \frac{1}{c} \nabla \cdot \vec{S}_{em},$$

$$-\frac{1}{c} F^{0b} j_b = -\frac{1}{c} F^{0k} j_k = -\frac{1}{c} E^k j_k = -\frac{1}{c} \vec{j} \cdot \vec{E},$$

So one yields

$$\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} w_{em} + \frac{1}{c} \nabla \cdot \vec{S}_{em} = -\vec{j} \cdot \vec{E},$$

where

$$w_{em} = \frac{1}{8\pi}(\vec{E}^2 + \vec{B}^2), \quad \vec{S}_{em} = \frac{c}{4\pi}(\vec{E} \times \vec{B}).$$

Hence,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} w_{em} + \nabla \cdot \vec{S}_{em} = - \sum_{\alpha=1}^N q_{\alpha} \vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \delta(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_{\alpha}(t)) \cdot \vec{E}(\vec{\xi}, t),$$



therefore

$$\frac{d}{dt}E_{em} = -W,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} E_{em}(t) &= \int d^3\xi \frac{1}{8\pi} [\vec{E}^2(\vec{\xi}, t) + \vec{B}^2(\vec{\xi}, t)], \\ W(t) &= \int d^3\xi \sum_{\alpha=1}^N q_{\alpha} \vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \delta(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_{\alpha}(t)) \cdot \vec{E}(\vec{\xi}, t) \\ &= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N q_{\alpha} \vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \cdot \vec{E}(\vec{\xi}_{\alpha}(t), t), \end{aligned}$$

are the energy of the electromagnetic field and the work the electromagnetic field exerted on the charge particles.

(b) For  $a = k$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_b T_{em}^{kb} &= \partial_0 T_{em}^{k0} + \partial_i T_{em}^{ki} \\ &= \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\vec{E} \times \vec{B})^k + \partial_i \left( -\frac{1}{4\pi} \right) [E^k E^i + B^k B^i - \frac{1}{2} \vec{E}^2 \delta_i^k - \frac{1}{2} \vec{B}^2 \delta_i^k] \\ &= \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{1}{4\pi c} (\vec{E} \times \vec{B}) - \nabla \cdot \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[ \vec{E} \vec{E} + \vec{B} \vec{B} - \frac{1}{2} \vec{E}^2 \mathcal{I} - \frac{1}{2} \vec{B}^2 \mathcal{I} \right] \right\}^k \\ &= \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{g}_{em} - \nabla \cdot \mathcal{T}_{em} \right)^k, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{1}{c} F^{kb} j_b &= -\frac{1}{c} F^{k0} j_0 - \frac{1}{c} F^{ki} j_i \\ &= -\frac{1}{c} E^k j^0 - \frac{1}{c} F^{ki} j^i \\ &= -\vec{E}^k(\vec{\xi}, t) \sum_{\alpha=1}^N q_{\alpha} \delta(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_{\alpha}(t)) - \frac{1}{c} \sum_{\alpha=1}^N q_{\alpha} \left[ \vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{\xi}, t) \right]^k \delta(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_{\alpha}(t)) \\ &= -\sum_{\alpha=1}^N q_{\alpha} \delta(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_{\alpha}(t)) \left[ \vec{E}(\vec{\xi}, t) + \frac{\vec{v}_{\alpha}(t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{\xi}, t)}{c} \right]^k \\ &= -\left[ \vec{f}_L(\vec{\xi}, t) \right]^k, \end{aligned}$$

so one yields

$$\nabla \cdot \mathcal{T}_{em} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{g}_{em} + \vec{f}_L(\vec{\xi}, t),$$

where  $\mathcal{T}_{em}$  is the stress tensor of the electromagnetic field,  $\vec{g}_{em}$  is the momentum density of the electromagnetic field, and  $\vec{f}_L(\vec{\xi}, t)$  is the Lorentz force density. Hence, one derives

$$\frac{d}{dt} \vec{p}_{em}(t) + \vec{F}_L(\vec{\xi}_{\alpha}(t), t) = 0, \quad \left( \frac{d\vec{p}_{em}(t)}{dt} = -\vec{F}_L(\vec{\xi}_{\alpha}(t), t) \right)$$

where

$$\vec{p}_{em}(t) = \int d^3\xi \frac{1}{4\pi c} [\vec{E}(\vec{\xi}, t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{\xi}, t)],$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{F}_L(\vec{\xi}_\alpha(t), t) &= \int d^3\xi \vec{f}_L(\vec{\xi}, t) \\ &= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N q_\alpha \left[ \vec{E}(\vec{\xi}_\alpha(t), t) + \frac{\vec{v}_\alpha(t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{\xi}_\alpha(t), t)}{c} \right], \end{aligned}$$

are the momentum of the electromagnetic field and the Lorentz exerted on the charged particles, also,  $-\vec{F}_L(\vec{\xi}_\alpha, t)$  is the counter-force of the particles exerted on the electromagnetic field, respectively.

#### 4.4.3 Energy-momentum density tensor of the charged particles: $T_p^{ab}$

The energy-momentum density tensor of the charged particles:

$$\begin{aligned} T_p^{ab} &= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N T_\alpha^{ab} \\ &= c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} m_\alpha \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau} \frac{d\xi_\alpha^b}{d\tau} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha) d\tau \\ &= c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha) \frac{p_\alpha^a p_\alpha^b}{E_\alpha}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\alpha$  denotes the  $\alpha^{\text{th}}$  charged particle and

$$T_\alpha^{ab} = c \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} m_\alpha \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau} \frac{d\xi_\alpha^b}{d\tau} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha) d\tau,$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_\alpha^{a0} &= c \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} m_\alpha \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau} \frac{d\xi_\alpha^0}{d\tau} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha) d\tau \\ &= c \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} m_\alpha \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau} \frac{d\xi_\alpha^0}{d\tau} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha) \frac{d\tau}{d\xi^0} d\xi^0 \\ &= c \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} m_\alpha \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau} \frac{d\xi_\alpha^0}{d\tau} \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha) \delta(\xi^0 - \xi_\alpha^0) d\xi^0 \\ &= cm_\alpha \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau} \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha), \end{aligned}$$

$$p_\alpha^a = \frac{1}{c} \int_{v_\infty(t)} T_\alpha^{a0}(\xi) d^3\xi = m_\alpha \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau},$$

$$p_\alpha^0 = \frac{E_\alpha}{c}$$

1.  $T_p^{ab}$  is a symmetric, i.e.,  $T_p^{ab} = T_p^{ba}$ .
2.  $T_p^{00}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
T_p^{00} &= c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} m_\alpha \frac{d\xi_\alpha^0}{d\tau} \frac{d\xi_\alpha^0}{d\tau} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha) d\tau \\
&= c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} m_\alpha \frac{d\xi_\alpha^0}{d\tau} \frac{d\xi_\alpha^0}{d\xi^0} \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha) \delta(\xi^0 - \xi_\alpha^0) d\xi^0 \\
&= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N cm_\alpha \frac{d\xi_\alpha^0}{d\tau} \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t)) \\
&= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_\alpha c^2 \gamma_\alpha \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t)) \\
&= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N T_\alpha^{00},
\end{aligned}$$

where  $\gamma_\alpha = \left(1 - \frac{v_\alpha^2}{c^2}\right)^{-1/2}$  is the Lorentz factor for the  $\alpha^{\text{th}}$  charged particle.

3.  $T_p^{k0}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
T_p^{k0} &= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N T_\alpha^{k0} \\
&= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N c \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} m_\alpha \frac{d\xi_\alpha^k}{d\tau} \frac{d\xi_\alpha^0}{d\tau} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha) d\tau \\
&= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N c \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} m_\alpha \frac{d\xi_\alpha^k}{d\tau} \frac{d\xi_\alpha^0}{d\tau} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha) \frac{d\tau}{d\xi^0} d\xi^0 \\
&= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N c \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} m_\alpha \frac{d\xi_\alpha^k}{d\tau} \frac{d\xi_\alpha^0}{d\xi^0} \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha) \delta(\xi^0 - \xi_\alpha^0) d\xi^0 \\
&= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N cm_\alpha \frac{d\xi_\alpha^k}{d\tau} \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha) \\
&= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N cm_\alpha v_\alpha^k \gamma_\alpha \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha).
\end{aligned}$$

4.  $T_p^{ij}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
T_p^{ij} &= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N T_\alpha^{ij} \\
&= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N c \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} m_\alpha \frac{d\xi_\alpha^i}{d\tau} \frac{d\xi_\alpha^j}{d\tau} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha) d\tau \\
&= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N c \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} m_\alpha \frac{d\xi_\alpha^i}{d\tau} \frac{d\xi_\alpha^j}{d\tau} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha) \frac{d\tau}{d\xi^0} d\xi^0
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_{\alpha} \frac{d\xi_{\alpha}^i}{d\tau} \frac{d\xi_{\alpha}^i}{d\tau} \gamma_{\alpha}^{-1} \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_{\alpha}) \\
&= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_{\alpha} v_{\alpha}^i v_{\alpha}^j \gamma_{\alpha} \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_{\alpha}).
\end{aligned}$$

$$T_p^{ab} = \begin{bmatrix} w_p & \frac{1}{c} S_p^1 & \frac{1}{c} S_p^2 & \frac{1}{c} S_p^3 \\ \frac{1}{c} S_p^1 & & & \\ \frac{1}{c} S_p^2 & & \mathcal{T}_p & \\ \frac{1}{c} S_p^3 & & & \end{bmatrix}.$$

where

$$w_p = \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_{\alpha} c^2 \gamma_{\alpha} \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_{\alpha}(t)),$$

$$\mathcal{T}_p = \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_{\alpha} \vec{v}_{\alpha} \vec{v}_{\alpha} \gamma_{\alpha} \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_{\alpha}(t)),$$

$$\vec{S}_p = \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_{\alpha} c^2 \vec{v}_{\alpha} \gamma_{\alpha} \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_{\alpha}(t)).$$

5. Relation of the energy-momentum density tensor:

$$\partial_b T_p^{ab}(\xi) = G^a(\xi) = F^{ab}(\xi) j_b(\xi)$$

where  $G^a(\xi)$  is the force density 4-vector exerted on the charged particle system and the electric current density 4-vector is defined as

$$j^a = c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} q_{\alpha} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_{\alpha}(\tau)) \frac{d\xi_{\alpha}^a}{d\tau} d\tau,$$

$$j^0 = c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} q_{\alpha} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_{\alpha}(\tau)) \frac{d\xi_{\alpha}^0}{d\tau} d\tau = c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N q_{\alpha} \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_{\alpha}(t)) = \rho(\xi) c,$$

$$j^k = c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} q_{\alpha} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_{\alpha}(\tau)) \frac{d\xi_{\alpha}^k}{d\tau} d\tau = \sum_{\alpha=1}^N q_{\alpha} v_{\alpha}^k(t) \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_{\alpha}(t)).$$

The reason is as follows:

First of all, the Lorentz force 4-vector exerted on a single charged particle is (denoted by  $\alpha$ ):

$$f_\alpha^a = \frac{1}{c} q_\alpha F^{ab}(\xi_\alpha) u_{\alpha b},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} u_{\alpha b} &= \frac{d\xi_{\alpha b}}{d\tau}, \\ u_{\alpha 0} &= \frac{d\xi_{\alpha 0}}{d\tau} = -\frac{d\xi_\alpha^0}{d\tau} = -\gamma_\alpha c, \\ u_{\alpha k} &= \frac{d\xi_{\alpha k}}{d\tau} = \frac{d\xi_\alpha^k}{d\tau} = \gamma_\alpha v_\alpha^k. \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} f_\alpha^0 &= \frac{1}{c} q_\alpha F^{0b}(\xi_\alpha) u_{\alpha b} \\ &= \frac{1}{c} q_\alpha F^{0k}(\xi_\alpha) u_{\alpha k} \\ &= \frac{1}{c} q_\alpha E^k(\xi_\alpha) \gamma_\alpha v_\alpha^k \\ &= \frac{1}{c} q_\alpha \vec{v}_\alpha \cdot \vec{E}(\xi_\alpha) \gamma_\alpha, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_\alpha^k &= \frac{1}{c} q_\alpha F^{kb}(\xi_\alpha) u_{\alpha b} \\ &= \frac{1}{c} q_\alpha [F^{k0}(\xi_\alpha) u_{\alpha 0} + F^{kj}(\xi_\alpha) u_{\alpha j}] \\ &= \frac{1}{c} q_\alpha [-E^k(\xi_\alpha)(-\gamma_\alpha c) + \varepsilon^{kij} u_{\alpha j} B_i] \\ &= q_\alpha \gamma_\alpha [E^k(\xi_\alpha) + \frac{1}{c} \varepsilon^{kij} v_{\alpha j} B_i] \\ &= q_\alpha \gamma_\alpha \left[ E(\xi_\alpha) + \frac{\vec{v}_\alpha(t) \times \vec{B}(\xi_\alpha)}{c} \right]^k. \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\frac{dp_\alpha^a}{d\tau} = f_\alpha^a,$$

so

$$\frac{dp_\alpha^0}{dt} = \frac{dp_\alpha^0}{d\tau} \frac{d\tau}{dt} = \gamma_\alpha^{-1} \frac{dp_\alpha^0}{d\tau} = \gamma_\alpha^{-1} f_\alpha^0 = \frac{1}{c} q_\alpha \vec{v}_\alpha \cdot \vec{E}(\xi_\alpha),$$

$$\frac{dp_\alpha^k}{dt} = \frac{dp_\alpha^k}{d\tau} \frac{d\tau}{dt} = \gamma_\alpha^{-1} \frac{dp_\alpha^k}{d\tau} = \gamma_\alpha^{-1} f_\alpha^k = q_\alpha \left[ \vec{E}(\xi_\alpha) + \frac{\vec{v}_\alpha(t) \times \vec{B}(\xi_\alpha)}{c} \right]^k.$$

Therefore using  $\delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha(\tau))$ , we can naturally generalize the Lorentz force 4-vector into the force density 4-vector exerted on a system of charge particles as

$$\begin{aligned}
G^a(\xi) &= c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha) f_\alpha^a(\xi_\alpha) d\tau \\
&= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha) q_\alpha F^{ab}(\xi_\alpha(\tau)) u_{\alpha b} d\tau \\
&= F^{ab}(\xi) \eta_{bc} \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha) q_\alpha \frac{d\xi_\alpha^c}{d\tau} d\tau \\
&= \frac{1}{c} F^{ab}(\xi) j_b(\xi).
\end{aligned}$$

Next, we prove that  $\partial_b T_p^{ab}(\xi) = G^a(\xi)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
\partial_b T_p^{ab}(\xi) &= \partial_b \left[ c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} m_\alpha \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau} \frac{d\xi_\alpha^b}{d\tau} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha) d\tau \right] \\
&= -c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} m_\alpha \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau} \frac{d\xi_\alpha^b}{d\tau} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi_\alpha^b} \delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha) d\tau \\
&= -c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} m_\alpha \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau} \frac{d\delta^4(\xi - \xi_\alpha)}{d\tau} d\tau \\
&= -c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \left[ m_\alpha \frac{d\xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau} \Big|_{-\infty}^{+\infty} - \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} m_\alpha \frac{d^2 \xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau^2} \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha) \delta(\xi^0 - \xi_\alpha^0) d\tau \right] \\
&= c \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} m_\alpha \frac{d^2 \xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau^2} \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha) \delta(\xi^0 - \xi_\alpha^0) d\tau \\
&= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_\alpha \frac{d^2 \xi_\alpha^a}{d\tau^2} \gamma_\alpha^{-1} \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha) \\
&= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N f_\alpha^a(\xi_\alpha) \gamma_\alpha^{-1} \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha) \\
&= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta^4(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha) f_\alpha^a(\xi_\alpha) d\tau \\
&= G^a(\xi) \\
&= \frac{1}{c} F^{ab}(\xi) j_b(\xi).
\end{aligned}$$

6. Energy-momentum theorem of the charged particles:

$$\partial_b T_p^{ab} = \frac{1}{c} F^{ab}(\xi) j_b(\xi).$$

(a) For  $a = 0$ :

$$\partial_b T_p^{ab} = \partial_0 T_p^{00} + \partial_k T_p^{0k} = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} w_p + \frac{1}{c} \nabla \cdot \vec{S}_p,$$

$$\frac{1}{c}F^{ab}j_b = \frac{1}{c}F^{0k}j_k = \frac{1}{c}E^k j_k = \frac{1}{c}\vec{j} \cdot \vec{E},$$

so one yields

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}w_p + \nabla \cdot \vec{S}_p = \vec{j} \cdot \vec{E},$$

where

$$w_p = \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_\alpha c^2 \gamma_\alpha \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t)),$$

$$\vec{S}_p = \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_\alpha c^2 \gamma_\alpha \vec{v}_\alpha(t) \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t)).$$

Hence one derives

$$\frac{d}{dt}E_p = W,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} E_p(t) &= \int d^3\vec{\xi} \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_\alpha c^2 \gamma_\alpha \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t)) \\ &= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_\alpha c^2 \gamma_\alpha \\ &\simeq \sum_{\alpha=1}^N [m_\alpha c^2 + \frac{1}{2}m_\alpha \vec{v}_\alpha^2(t)], \quad (\frac{v_\alpha}{c} \ll 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} W &= \int d^3\vec{\xi} \sum_{\alpha=1}^N q_\alpha \vec{v}_\alpha(t) \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t)) \cdot \vec{E}(\vec{\xi}, t) \\ &= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N q_\alpha \vec{v}_\alpha(t) \cdot \vec{E}(\vec{\xi}_\alpha(t), t) \end{aligned}$$

are the energy of the charged particles and the work the electromagnetic field exerted on the charged particles.

(b) For  $a = k$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_b T_p^{kb} &= \partial_0 T^{k0} \partial_i T^{ki} \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_\alpha v_\alpha^k \gamma_\alpha \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t)) + \partial_i \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_\alpha v_\alpha^k v_\alpha^i \gamma_\alpha \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t)) \\ &= \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_\alpha \vec{v}_\alpha(t) \gamma_\alpha \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t)) + \nabla \cdot \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_\alpha \vec{v}_\alpha \vec{v}_\alpha \gamma_\alpha \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t)) \right\}^k \\ &= \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{g}_p(\vec{\xi}, t) + \nabla \cdot \mathcal{T}_p(\vec{\xi}, t) \right]^k, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{c}F^{kb}j_b &= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N q_\alpha \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t)) \left[ \vec{E}(\vec{\xi}, t) + \frac{\vec{v}_\alpha(t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{\xi}, t)}{c} \right]^k \\ &= [\vec{f}_L(\vec{\xi}, t)]^k,\end{aligned}$$

So we yields

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{g}_p(\vec{\xi}, t) - \vec{f}_L(\vec{\xi}, t) = -\nabla \cdot \mathcal{T}_p(\vec{\xi}, t),$$

where  $\mathcal{T}_p$  is the stress tensor of the charged particles,  $\vec{g}_p$  is the momentum density of the charged particles, and  $\vec{f}_L$  the Lorentz force density, Hence, one derives

$$\frac{d}{dt} \vec{P}_p(t) = \vec{F}_L(\vec{\xi}_\alpha(t), t),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{P}_p(t) &= \int d^3\vec{\xi} \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_\alpha \vec{v}_\alpha(t) \gamma_\alpha \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t)) \\ &= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_\alpha \vec{v}_\alpha(t) \gamma_\alpha \\ &\simeq \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_\alpha \vec{v}_\alpha(t), \quad (\gamma_\alpha \ll 1)\end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{F}_L(\vec{\xi}_\alpha(t), t) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^N q_\alpha \left[ \vec{E}(\vec{\xi}_\alpha(t), t) + \frac{\vec{v}_\alpha(t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{\xi}_\alpha(t), t)}{c} \right]$$

are the momentum of the charged particles and the Lorentz force exerted on the charged particles, respectively.

#### 4.4.4 Total Energy-Momentum density tensor: $T_{tot}^{ab}$

The total .... is defined as:

$$T_{tot}^{ab} = T_{em}^{ab} + T_p^{ab}.$$

1.  $T_{tot}^{ab}$  is symmetric tensor, i.e.,  $T_{tot}^{ab} = T_{tot}^{ba}$ .

2.  $T_{tot}^{00} = w_{tot} = w_{em} + w_p = \frac{1}{8\pi}(\vec{E}^2 + \vec{B}^2) + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_\alpha c^2 \gamma_\alpha \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t))$

3.  $T_{tot}^{0k} = T_{tot}^{k0} = \frac{1}{c}(\vec{S}_{tot})^k = \frac{1}{c}(\vec{S}_{em} + \vec{S}_p)^k = \left[ \frac{1}{4\pi}(\vec{E} \times \vec{B}) + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_\alpha c \vec{v}_\alpha \gamma_\alpha \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t)) \right]^k$



4.

$$\begin{aligned}
T_{tot}^{ij} &= (\mathcal{T}_{tot})^{ij} \\
&= (\mathcal{T}_{em} + \mathcal{T}_p)^{ij} \\
&= \left\{ -\frac{1}{4\pi}[\vec{E}\vec{E} + \vec{B}\vec{B} - \frac{1}{2}\vec{E}^2\mathcal{I} - \frac{1}{2}\vec{B}^2\mathcal{I}] + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_\alpha \vec{v}_\alpha \vec{v}_\alpha \gamma_\alpha \delta^3(\vec{\xi} - \vec{\xi}_\alpha(t)) \right\}^{ij}.
\end{aligned}$$

5. Energy-momentum conservation:

$$\partial_b T_{tot}^{ab} = 0.$$

(a) For  $a = 0$ :

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(w_{em} + w_p) + \nabla \cdot (\vec{S}_{em} + \vec{S}_p) = 0,$$

So

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}w_{tot} + \nabla \cdot \vec{S}_{tot} = 0,$$

therefore

$$\frac{d}{dt}E_{tot} = 0,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
E_{tot} &= \int d^3\xi (w_{em} + w_p) \\
&= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_\alpha c^2 \gamma_\alpha + \frac{1}{8\pi} \int d^3\xi [\vec{E}(\vec{\xi}, t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{\xi}, t)] \\
&\simeq \sum_{\alpha=1}^N [m_\alpha c^2 + \frac{1}{2}m_\alpha v_\alpha^2(t)] + \frac{1}{8\pi} \int d^3\xi [\vec{E}(\vec{\xi}, t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{\xi}, t)].
\end{aligned}$$

(b) For  $a = k$ :

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\vec{g}_{em} + \vec{g}_p) + \nabla \cdot (\mathcal{T}_p - \mathcal{T}_{em}) = 0,$$

So

$$\frac{d}{dt}\vec{P}_{tot} = 0,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
\vec{P}_{tot} &= \int d^3\xi (\vec{g}_{em} + \vec{g}_p) \\
&= \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_\alpha \vec{v}_\alpha(t) \gamma_\alpha + \frac{1}{4\pi c} \int d^3\xi [\vec{E}(\vec{\xi}, t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{\xi}, t)] \\
&\simeq \sum_{\alpha=1}^N [m_\alpha \vec{v}_\alpha(t) + \frac{1}{4\pi c} \int d^3\xi \vec{E}(\vec{\xi}, t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{\xi}, t)].
\end{aligned}$$

# Chapter 5

## Classical Electromagnetic Field Theory

### 5.1 Variational methods for particles

1. Principle of least action:

(a) Definitions:

- Action:  $S[x_l(t)] = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} L(x_l(t), \dot{x}_l(t), t) dt$ ,
- Lagrangian:  $L[x_l(t), \dot{x}_l(t), t] = T[\dot{x}_l(t), t] - V[x_l(t), t]$ ,
- Hamiltonian:  $H[x_l(t), p_l(t), t] = \sum_l p_l(t) \dot{x}_l(t) - L[x_l(t), \dot{x}_l(t), t]$ ,  
where  $x_l$  ( $l = 1, 2, \dots, 3N$ ) is the generalized coordinates,  $p_l$  ( $l = 1, 2, \dots, 3N$ ) is the generalized momentum, and satisfies

$$p_l = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}_l}.$$

(b) Principle of least action: In all possible trajectories, the particles will take that the  $\delta S = 0$  is satisfied.

2. Euler-Lagrangian equations:

Since

$$\delta S = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \sum_l \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial x_l} \delta x_l + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}_l} \delta \dot{x}_l \right) dt = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \sum_l \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial x_l} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}_l} \right) \delta x_l dt,$$

where we have assumed that

$$\delta x_l(t_2) = \delta x_l(t_1) = 0,$$

and the variation  $\delta x_l(t)$  were assumed arbitrary,  $\delta S = 0$  gives

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}_l} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial x_l}, \quad (l = 1, 2, \dots, 3N)$$

which are a set of second-order differential equations (totally  $3N$  equations).

### 3. Equivalent Lagrangian

It can be verified that if  $L \longrightarrow L' = L + \frac{df(x_l, t)}{dt}$ , the equation of motion keeps invariant.

[Proof]

$$\begin{aligned} S[x_l(t)] \longrightarrow S'[x_l(t)] &= \int_{t_1}^{t_2} L'[x_l(t), \dot{x}_l(t), t] dt \\ &= S[x_l(t)] + [f(x_l(t_2), t_2) - f(x_l(t_1), t_1)] \\ &= S[x_l(t)] + \text{constant}, \end{aligned}$$

hence  $\delta S = 0$  is equivalent to  $\delta S' = 0$ , and therefore, we call  $L'$  an equivalent Lagrangian of  $L$ .

[EOP]

### 4. Hamiltonian equation:

$$\begin{aligned} p_l &= \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}_l}, \\ H &= \sum_l p_l \dot{x}_l - L, \end{aligned}$$

Hence

(a)

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{x}_l} = p_l - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}_l} = 0,$$

i.e.,  $H(x_l(t), p_l(t), t)$  is  $\dot{x}_l$ -independent.

(b)

$$dH = \sum_l \left( \frac{\partial H}{\partial x_l} dx_l + \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_l} dp_l \right) + \frac{\partial H}{\partial t} dt,$$

also,

$$dH = \sum_l \left( \dot{x}_l dp_l - \frac{\partial L}{\partial x_l} dx_l \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial t} dt,$$

so one yields

$$\dot{x}_l = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_l}, \quad -\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_l} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial x_l}, \quad \frac{\partial H}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial L}{\partial t}.$$

Using Euler-Lagrangian equations and the definition of  $p_l$ , i.e.,

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_l} = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}_l} \right) = \frac{d}{dt} p_l,$$

one has

$$\dot{x}_l = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_l}, \quad \dot{p}_l = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial x_l}, \quad \frac{\partial H}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial L}{\partial t}.$$

Further, it can be proved that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dH}{dt} &= \frac{\partial H}{\partial t} + \sum_l \left( \frac{\partial H}{\partial x_l} \frac{dx_l}{dt} + \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_l} \frac{dp_l}{dt} \right) \\ &= \frac{\partial H}{\partial t} + \sum_l \left( \frac{\partial H}{\partial x_l} \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_l} - \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_l} \frac{\partial H}{\partial x_l} \right) \\ &= \frac{\partial H}{\partial t}. \end{aligned}$$

So if  $H$  is not explicitly dependent on time, i.e.,  $\frac{\partial H}{\partial t} = 0$ , then it is a constant of motion, i.e.,  $\frac{dH}{dt} = 0$ .

#### 5. Poisson brackets:

For a variable  $F(x_l, p_l, t)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dF}{dt} &= \frac{\partial F}{\partial t} + \sum_l \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial x_l} \dot{x}_l + \frac{\partial F}{\partial p_l} \dot{p}_l \right) \\ &= \frac{\partial F}{\partial t} + \sum_l \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial x_l} \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_l} - \frac{\partial F}{\partial p_l} \frac{\partial H}{\partial x_l} \right) \\ &= \frac{\partial F}{\partial t} + \{F, H\}. \end{aligned}$$

#### 6. Example:

The following gives an example of  $N$ - charged particles moving in an electromagnetic field. (Only Coulomb potential is taken into account)

The particles:  $\vec{r}_{\alpha,i}(t)$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, 3N$ ),  $\alpha$  denotes the  $\alpha^{\text{th}}$  particle.

- Newton-Lorentz equation:

$$m_\alpha \ddot{\vec{r}}_{\alpha,i}(t) = -q_\alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{r}_{\alpha,i}} U(\vec{r}_\alpha, t)$$

- Lagrangian:

$$L(\vec{r}_\alpha, \dot{\vec{r}}_\alpha, t) = \sum_\alpha \left[ \left( \frac{m_\alpha}{2} \dot{\vec{r}}_\alpha^2(t) - q_\alpha U(\vec{r}_\alpha, t) \right) \right].$$

So Euler-Lagrangian equations give

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \vec{r}_{\alpha,i}} &= -q_\alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{r}_{\alpha,i}} U(\vec{r}_\alpha, t) \\ \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\vec{r}}_{\alpha,i}} &= m_\alpha \ddot{\vec{r}}_{\alpha,i} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow m_\alpha \ddot{\vec{r}}_{\alpha,i}(t) = -q_\alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{r}_{\alpha,i}} U(\vec{r}_\alpha, t).$$

- Hamiltonian:

$$\vec{p}_{\alpha,i} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\vec{r}}_{\alpha,i}} = m_{\alpha} \dot{\vec{r}}_{\alpha,i},$$

$$H = \sum_{\alpha} \left[ \frac{m_{\alpha}}{2} \dot{\vec{r}}_{\alpha}^2 + q_{\alpha} U(\vec{r}_{\alpha}, t) \right] = \sum_{\alpha} \left[ \frac{p_{\alpha}^2}{2m_{\alpha}} + q_{\alpha} U(\vec{r}_{\alpha}, t) \right].$$

So Hamiltonian equations give

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial H}{\partial \vec{r}_{\alpha,i}} &= q_{\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{r}_{\alpha,i}} U(\vec{r}_{\alpha}, t), & \frac{\partial H}{\partial \vec{p}_{\alpha,i}} &= \frac{\vec{p}_{\alpha,i}}{m_{\alpha}}, \\ \Rightarrow \dot{\vec{r}}_{\alpha,i} &= \frac{\vec{p}_{\alpha,i}}{m_{\alpha}}, & \dot{\vec{p}}_{\alpha,i} &= -q_{\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{r}_{\alpha,i}} U(\vec{r}_{\alpha}, t). \end{aligned} \quad (5.1)$$

## 5.2 Classical electromagnetic field theory (free field theory)

### 1. Definitions

- (a) Coordinates:  $\Phi_i(\vec{r}, t)$ ,  $(i = 1, 2, \dots)$
- (b) Velocities:  $\dot{\Phi}_i(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Phi_i(\vec{r}, t)$ ,  $(i = 1, 2, \dots)$
- (c) Momenta:  $\pi_i(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\Phi}_i}$ ,  $(i = 1, 2, \dots)$
- (d) Action:

$$\begin{aligned} S[\Phi_i] &= \int dt L(\Phi_i, \dot{\Phi}_i, \partial_j \Phi_i, t) \quad (j = x, y, z) \\ &= \int dt \int d^3 \vec{r} \mathcal{L}(\Phi_i, \dot{\Phi}_i, \partial_j \Phi_i, t). \end{aligned}$$

- (e) Lagrangian density:  $\mathcal{L}(\Phi_i, \dot{\Phi}_i, \partial_j \Phi_i, t)$ .
- (f) Lagrangian:  $L(\Phi_i, \dot{\Phi}_i, \partial_j \Phi_i, t) = \int d^3 \vec{r} \mathcal{L}$ .
- (g) Hamiltonian density:  $\mathcal{H}(\pi_i, \Phi_i, \partial_j \Phi_i, t) = \sum_i \pi_i \dot{\Phi}_i - \mathcal{L}(\Phi_i, \dot{\Phi}_i, \partial_j \Phi_i, t)$ .
- (h) Hamiltonian:  $H = \int d^3 \vec{r} \mathcal{H}$ .

### 2. Principle of least action and Euler-Lagrangian equations

- (a) Principle of least action:

$$\delta S[\Phi_i] = 0.$$

(b) Euler-Lagrangian equations:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \delta S[\Phi_i] &= \int dt \int d^3\vec{r} \sum_i \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \Phi_i} \delta \Phi_i + \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\Phi}_i} \delta \dot{\Phi}_i + \sum_j \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_j \Phi_i)} \delta (\partial_j \Phi_i) \right) \\
 &= \int dt \int d^3\vec{r} \sum_i \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \Phi_i} - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\Phi}_i} - \sum_j \partial_j \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_j \Phi_i)} \right) \delta \Phi_i(\vec{r}, t) \\
 &= 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\Phi}_i} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \Phi_i} - \sum_j \partial_j \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_j \Phi_i)}.$$

To be more compact, using Einstein convention, one has

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \Phi_i} = \partial_a \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_a \Phi_i)}. \quad (a = 0, 1, 2, 3)$$

(c) Equivalent Lagrangian:

$$L \longrightarrow L' = L + \frac{d}{dt} f(\Phi_i, \vec{r}, t)$$

does not change the state of motion.

(d) Hamiltonian equations:

$$\pi_i(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\Phi}_i}.$$

$$\mathcal{H}(\pi_i, \Phi_i, \partial_j \Phi_i) = \sum_i \pi_i \dot{\Phi}_i - \mathcal{L}(\Phi_i, \dot{\Phi}_i, \partial_j \Phi_i).$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 d\mathcal{H} &= \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial t} dt + \sum_i \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial \pi_i} d\pi_i + \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial \Phi_i} d\Phi_i + \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial \partial_j \Phi_i} d\partial_j \Phi_i \right) \\
 &= \sum_i \left( \dot{\Phi}_i d\pi_i + \pi_i d\dot{\Phi}_i - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \Phi_i} d\Phi_i - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\Phi}_i} d\dot{\Phi}_i - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \partial_j \Phi_i} d\partial_j \Phi_i \right) \\
 &= \sum_i \left( \dot{\Phi}_i d\pi_i - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \Phi_i} d\Phi_i - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \partial_j \Phi_i} d\partial_j \Phi_i \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

So one has

$$\dot{\Phi}_i = \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial \pi_i}, \quad -\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \Phi_i} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial \Phi_i}, \quad \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial \partial_j \Phi_i} = -\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \partial_j \Phi_i}.$$

Using Euler-Lagrangian equations,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \Phi_i} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\Phi}_i} + \sum_j \partial_j \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_j \Phi_i)} \\
 &= \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \pi_i - \sum_j \partial_j \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial (\partial_j \Phi_i)},
 \end{aligned}$$

one has

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \pi_i - \sum_j \partial_j \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial (\partial_j \Phi_i)} = -\frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial \Phi_i}.$$

(e) Examples –1:

Consider an electromagnetic field in vacuum:

$$H = \frac{1}{8\pi} \int d^3\vec{r} \left[ \vec{E}^2(\vec{r}, t) + \vec{B}^2(\vec{r}, t) \right],$$

$$L = \frac{1}{8\pi} \int d^3\vec{r} \left[ \vec{E}^2(\vec{r}, t) - \vec{B}^2(\vec{r}, t) \right],$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{8\pi} \left[ \vec{E}^2(\vec{r}, t) - \vec{B}^2(\vec{r}, t) \right],$$

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{8\pi} \left[ \vec{E}^2(\vec{r}, t) + \vec{B}^2(\vec{r}, t) \right],$$

$$S = \frac{1}{8\pi} \int dt \int d^3\vec{r} \left[ \vec{E}^2(\vec{r}, t) - \vec{B}^2(\vec{r}, t) \right].$$

To proceed, using scalar and vector potential

$$\vec{E} = -\nabla U - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{A}, \quad \vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A}.$$

So,

$$\mathcal{L}(U, \dot{U}, \partial_j U; A_i, \dot{A}_i, \partial_j A_i) = \frac{1}{8\pi} \left[ \left( \frac{1}{c} \dot{\vec{A}} + \nabla U \right)^2 - (\nabla \times \vec{A})^2 \right].$$

Now, we evaluate  $\mathcal{L}$ , firstly,

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla \times \vec{A}) \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{A}) &= \varepsilon_{ijk} \partial_j A_k \varepsilon_{ilm} \partial_l A_m \\ &= (\delta_{jl} \delta_{km} - \delta_{jm} \delta_{kl}) \partial_j A_k \partial_l A_m \\ &= \partial_j A_k \partial_j A_k - \partial_j A_k \partial_k A_j \\ &= \sum_{i,j} (\partial_j A_i)^2 - \left( \sum_i \partial_i A_i \right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(U, \dot{U}, \partial_j U; A_i, \dot{A}_i, \partial_j A_i) &= \frac{1}{8\pi} \sum_i \left[ \frac{1}{c^2} \dot{A}_i^2 + \frac{2}{c} \dot{A}_i \partial_i U + (\partial_i U)^2 \right] \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{8\pi} \left[ \sum_{i,j} (\partial_j A_i)^2 - \left( \sum_i \partial_i A_i \right)^2 \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Now, evaluate Euler-Lagrangian equations,

(a) Set  $\Phi_i = U$ , then from Euler-Lagrangian equation, one has

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{U}} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial U} = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_j \partial_j \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_j U)} &= \frac{1}{8\pi} \sum_j \partial_j \left( \frac{2}{c} \dot{A}_j + 2\partial_j U \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \sum_j \partial_j \left( \frac{1}{c} \dot{A}_j + \partial_j U \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{4\pi} \sum_j \partial_j E_j \\ &= -\frac{1}{4\pi} \nabla \cdot \vec{E}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, one has

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

(b) Set  $\Phi_i = A_i$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{A}_i} &= \frac{1}{8\pi} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{2}{c^2} \dot{A}_i + \frac{2}{c} \partial_i U \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{1}{c} \left( \frac{1}{c} \ddot{A}_i + \partial_i \dot{U} \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{4\pi c} \dot{E}_i. \\ \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial A_i} &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_j \partial_j \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_j A_i)} &= -\frac{2}{8\pi} \sum_j \left[ \partial_j \partial_j A_i - \delta_{ij} \partial_j \nabla \cdot \vec{A} \right] \\ &= -\frac{2}{8\pi} \left[ \nabla^2 \vec{A} - \nabla (\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) \right]_i \\ &= \frac{2}{8\pi} \left[ \nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{A}) \right]_i \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi} (\nabla \times \vec{B})_i. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, from Euler-Lagrangian equations, i.e.,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\Phi}_i} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \Phi_i} - \sum_j \partial_j \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_j \Phi_i)},$$

one has

$$-\frac{1}{4\pi c} \dot{\vec{E}} = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \nabla \times \vec{B},$$



i.e.,

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}.$$

(c)  $\nabla \times \vec{E}$  and  $\nabla \cdot \vec{B}$  equations can be directly derived by writing the potentials, i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times \vec{E} &= \nabla \times \left( -\nabla U - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t} \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \times \vec{A} \\ &= -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}, \\ \nabla \cdot \vec{B} &= \nabla \cdot \nabla \times \vec{A} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

(d)  $\pi_i$ :

Set  $\Phi_i = U$ , then

$$\pi_i = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{U}} = 0,$$

Set  $\Phi_i = A_i$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_i &= \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{A}_i} \\ &= \frac{1}{8\pi} \left[ \frac{2}{c^2} \dot{A}_i + \frac{2}{c} \partial_j U \right] \\ &= -\frac{1}{4\pi c} E_i, \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H} &= \sum_i \pi_i \dot{\Phi}_i - \mathcal{L} \\ &= \sum_i -\frac{1}{4\pi c} E_i \dot{A}_i - \mathcal{L} \\ &= \sum_i \frac{1}{4\pi c} \left( \frac{1}{c} \dot{A}_i + \partial_i U \right) \dot{A}_i - \frac{1}{8\pi} \sum_i \left[ \frac{1}{c^2} \dot{A}_i^2 + \frac{2}{c} \dot{A}_i \partial_i U + (\partial_i U)^2 \right] \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{8\pi} \left[ \sum_{i,j} (\partial_j A_i)^2 - \left( \sum_i \partial_i A_i \right)^2 \right] \\ &= \sum_i \frac{1}{8\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{c^2} \dot{A}_i^2 - (\partial_i U)^2 \right] + \frac{1}{8\pi} \left[ \sum_{i,j} (\partial_j A_i)^2 - \left( \sum_i \partial_i A_i \right)^2 \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{8\pi} (\vec{E}^2 + \vec{B}^2), \end{aligned}$$

(e) Example-2:

$$\left(\nabla^2 - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2}\right)U(\vec{r}, t) = 0.$$

$$\mathcal{L}(U, \dot{U}, \partial_j U) = \frac{1}{c^2} \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial t}\right)^2 - (\nabla U)^2 = \frac{1}{c^2} \dot{U}^2 - \left(\sum_j \partial_j U\right)^2.$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_i &= U, \\ \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial U} &= 0, \\ \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{U}} &= \frac{2}{c^2} \dot{U}, \\ \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial(\partial_j U)} &= -2\partial_j U.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\sum_j \partial_j \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial(\partial_j U)} = -\sum_j 2\partial_j \partial_j U = -2\nabla^2 U.$$

Since

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{U}} = \frac{2}{c^2} \ddot{U},$$

from Euler-Lagrangian equations, i.e.,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{U}} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial U} - \sum_j \partial_j \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial(\partial_j U)},$$

one yields

$$\frac{2}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} U = 2\nabla^2 U,$$

So that

$$\left(\nabla^2 - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2}\right)U(\vec{r}, t) = 0.$$

Further,

$$\pi_i = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{U}} = \frac{2}{c^2} \dot{U}.$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{H} &= \sum_i \pi_i \dot{\Phi}_i - \mathcal{L} \\ &= \frac{2}{c^2} \dot{U}^2 - \left[\frac{1}{c^2} \dot{U}^2 - (\nabla U)^2\right] \\ &= \frac{1}{c^2} \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial t}\right)^2 + (\nabla U)^2.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L} &= \frac{1}{8\pi} (\vec{E}^2 - \vec{B}^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{8\pi} \sum_i \left[ \frac{1}{c^2} \dot{A}_i^2 + \frac{2}{c} \dot{A}_i \partial_i U + (\partial_i U)^2 \right] - \frac{1}{8\pi} \left[ \sum_{i,j} (\partial_j A_i)^2 - \left( \sum_i \partial_i A_i \right)^2 \right],\end{aligned}$$

$$\pi_U = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{U}} = 0, \implies \pi_U \dot{U} = 0.$$

$$\pi_{A_i} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{A}_i} = \frac{1}{8\pi} \left[ \frac{2}{c^2} \dot{A}_i + \frac{2}{c} \partial_i U \right].$$

$$\implies \sum_i \pi_{A_i} \dot{A}_i = \frac{1}{8\pi} \sum_i \left[ \frac{2}{c^2} \dot{A}_i^2 + \frac{2}{c} A_i \partial_i U \right].$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H} &= \sum_i \pi_i \dot{\Phi}_i - \mathcal{L} \\ &= \sum_i \pi_i \dot{A}_i - \mathcal{L} \\ &= \frac{1}{8\pi} \sum_i \left[ \frac{2}{c^2} \dot{A}_i^2 - (\partial_i U)^2 \right] + \frac{1}{8\pi} \left[ \sum_{i,j} (\partial_j A_i)^2 - \left( \sum_i \partial_i A_i \right)^2 \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{8\pi} \vec{E}^2 + \frac{1}{8\pi} |\nabla \times \vec{A}|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{8\pi} \vec{E}^2 + \frac{1}{8\pi} \vec{B}^2. \end{aligned}$$

Also

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{16\pi} F_{ab} F^{ab} \quad (5.2)$$

[Proof]

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} &= \frac{1}{8\pi} [\vec{E}^2 - \vec{B}^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{8\pi} [E_k E^k - B_k B^k], \end{aligned} \quad (5.3)$$

$$E^k = F^{0k}, \quad E_k = E^k = F^{0k} = -F_{0k} \quad (5.4)$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} E_k E^k &= -F_{0k} F^{0k} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} (F_{0k} F^{0k} + F_{k0} F^{k0}). \end{aligned} \quad (5.5)$$

$$B^k = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{kij} F_{ij}, \quad B_k = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{ki'j'} F^{i'j'}. \quad (5.6)$$

So

$$\begin{aligned}
B_k B^k &= \frac{1}{4} \epsilon^{kij} \epsilon_{ki'j'} F_{ij} F^{i'j'} \\
&= \frac{1}{4} (\delta^i_{i'} \delta^j_{j'} - \delta^i_{j'} \delta^j_{i'}) F_{ij} F^{i'j'} \\
&= \frac{1}{4} F_{ij} (F^{ij} - F^{ji}) \\
&= \frac{1}{2} F_{ij} F^{ij},
\end{aligned} \tag{5.7}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L} &= \frac{1}{8\pi} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} [F_{0k} F^{0k} + F_{k0} F^{k0}] - \frac{1}{2} F_{ij} F^{ij} \right\} \\
&= -\frac{1}{16\pi} \left\{ F_{0k} F^{0k} + F_{k0} F^{k0} + F_{ij} F^{ij} \right\} \\
&= -\frac{1}{16\pi} F_{ab} F^{ab}.
\end{aligned} \tag{5.8}$$

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The Lagrangian density of the free electromagnetic field is:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L}_{em} &= -\frac{1}{16\pi} F_{cd} F^{cd} \\
&= -\frac{1}{16\pi} (\partial_c A_d - \partial_d A_c) (\partial^c A^d - \partial^d A^c) \\
&= -\frac{1}{16\pi} (\partial_c A_d \partial^c A^d + \partial_d A_c \partial^d A^c - \partial_c A_d \partial^d A^c - \partial_d A_c \partial^c A^d) \\
&= -\frac{1}{8\pi} (\partial_c A_d \partial^c A^d - \partial_c A_d \partial^d A^c),
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
\partial_c A_d \partial^c A^d &= \partial_0 A_d \partial^0 A^d + \partial_k A_d \partial^k A^d \\
&= (\partial_0 A_0 \partial^0 A^0 + \partial_0 A_k \partial^0 A^k) + (\partial_k A_0 \partial^k A^0 + \partial_k A_i \partial^k A^i) \\
&= \left[ \frac{1}{c^2} (\dot{A}^0)^2 - \frac{1}{c^2} \sum_{k=1}^3 (\dot{A}^k)^2 \right] + \left[ \sum_{i,k=1}^3 (\partial_k A^i)^2 - \sum_{k=1}^3 (\partial_k A^0)^2 \right],
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
\partial_c A_d \partial^d A^c &= \partial_0 A_d \partial^d A^0 + \partial_k A_d \partial^d A^k \\
&= (\partial_0 A_0 \partial^0 A^0 + \partial_0 A_k \partial^k A^0) + (\partial_k A_0 \partial^0 A^k + \partial_k A_i \partial^i A^k) \\
&= \left[ \frac{1}{c^2} (\dot{A}^0)^2 + \frac{1}{c} \sum_{k=1}^3 \dot{A}^k \partial_k A^0 \right] + \left[ \frac{1}{c} \sum_{k=1}^3 \dot{A}^k \partial_k A^0 + \sum_{i,k=1}^3 \partial_k A^i \partial_i A^k \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{c^2} (\dot{A}^0)^2 + \frac{2}{c} \sum_{k=1}^3 \dot{A}^k \partial_k A^0 + \sum_{i,k=1}^3 \partial_k A^i \partial_i A^k.
\end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L}_{em} &= -\frac{1}{8\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{c^2} (\dot{A}^0)^2 - \frac{1}{c^2} \sum_{k=1}^3 (\dot{A}^k)^2 \right] + \left[ \sum_{i,k=1}^3 (\partial_k A^i)^2 - \sum_{k=1}^3 (\partial_k A^0)^2 \right] \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{8\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{c^2} (\dot{A}^0)^2 + \frac{2}{c} \sum_{k=1}^3 \dot{A}^k \partial_k A^0 + \sum_{i,k=1}^3 \partial_k A^i \partial_i A^k \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{8\pi} \left\{ \frac{1}{c^2} \sum_{k=1}^3 (\dot{A}^k)^2 + \frac{2}{c} \sum_{k=1}^3 \dot{A}^k \partial_k A^0 + \sum_{k=1}^3 (\partial_k A^0)^2 + \sum_{i,k=1}^3 [\partial_k A^i \partial_i A^k - (\partial_k A^i)^2] \right\} \\
&= \frac{1}{8\pi} \left[ \left( -\nabla A^0 - \frac{1}{c} \vec{A} \right)^2 - (\nabla \times \vec{A})^2 \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{8\pi} [\vec{E}^2 - \vec{B}^2],
\end{aligned}$$

where we have used the fact that

$$\begin{aligned}
(\nabla \times \vec{A})^2 &= \varepsilon_{ijk} \partial^j A^k \varepsilon^{ij'k'} \partial_{j'} A_{k'} \\
&= (\delta_j^{j'} \delta_k^{k'} - \delta_k^{j'} \delta_j^{k'}) \partial^j A^k \partial_{j'} A_{k'} \\
&= \partial^j A^k (\partial_j A_k - \partial_k A_j) \\
&= \sum_{i,k=1}^3 [(\partial_k A^i)^2 - \partial_k A^i \partial_i A^k].
\end{aligned}$$

Then, the Lagrangian density of the free electromagnetic field is

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L}_{em} &= \frac{1}{8\pi} [\vec{E}^2 - \vec{B}^2] \\
&= -\frac{1}{16\pi} F_{cd} F^{cd} \\
&= \frac{1}{8\pi} \left\{ \frac{1}{c^2} \sum_{k=1}^3 (\dot{A}^k)^2 + \frac{2}{c} \sum_{k=1}^3 \dot{A}^k \partial_k A^0 + \sum_{k=1}^3 (\partial_k A^0)^2 + \sum_{i,k=1}^3 [\partial_k A^i \partial_i A^k - (\partial_k A^i)^2] \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Now, evaluate the Hamiltonian density of the free electromagnetic field. First of all, the canonical momentum is

$$\pi_a = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{em}}{\partial \dot{A}^a}.$$

So,

$$\pi_0 = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{em}}{\partial \dot{A}^0} = 0.$$

So, the Hamiltonian density is

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{H}_{em} &= \pi_a \dot{A}^a - \mathcal{L}_{em} \\
&= \pi_k \dot{A}^k - \mathcal{L}_{em}
\end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{4\pi c} \left[ \frac{1}{c} \dot{A}^k + \partial_k A^0 \right] \dot{A}^k - \mathcal{L}_{em} \\
 &= \frac{1}{8\pi} [\vec{E}^2 + \vec{B}^2] + \frac{1}{4\pi} \nabla A^0 \cdot \vec{E} \\
 &= \frac{1}{8\pi} [\vec{E}^2 + \vec{B}^2] + \frac{1}{4\pi} \nabla \phi \cdot \vec{E}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the Hamiltonian of the free electromagnetic field is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 H_{em} &= \int d^3\vec{x} \mathcal{H}_{em} \\
 &= \int d^3\vec{x} \left\{ \frac{1}{8\pi} [\vec{E}^2 + \vec{B}^2] + \frac{1}{4\pi} \nabla \phi \cdot \vec{E} \right\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{8\pi} \int (\vec{E}^2 + \vec{B}^2) d^3\vec{x},
 \end{aligned}$$

where we have used Gaussian theorem, i.e.,  $\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = 0$ , and the fact that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int d^3\vec{x} \nabla \phi \cdot \vec{E} &= \int d^3\vec{x} [\nabla \cdot (\phi \vec{E}) - \phi \nabla \cdot \vec{E}] \\
 &= \oint \phi \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{\sigma} - \int d^3\vec{x} \phi (\nabla \cdot \vec{E}) \\
 &= 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

So, we may also rewrite the Hamiltonian density as

$$\mathcal{H}_{em} = \frac{1}{8\pi} [\vec{E}^2 + \vec{B}^2].$$

# Appendix A

## Appendix

### A.1 Some identities, theorems, and equations related to Fourier transform

1. Parseval identity:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d^3\vec{r} F^*(\vec{r})G(\vec{r}) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d^3\vec{k} \tilde{F}^*(\vec{k})\tilde{G}(\vec{k}). \quad (\text{A.1})$$

[Proof]

Since

$$F^*(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d^3\vec{k} \tilde{F}^*(\vec{k}) \exp(-i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}),$$

$$G(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d^3\vec{k}' G(\vec{k}') \exp(i\vec{k}' \cdot \vec{r}),$$

therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d^3\vec{r} F^*(\vec{r})G(\vec{r}) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d^3\vec{k} d^3\vec{k}' \tilde{F}^*(\vec{k})\tilde{G}(\vec{k}') \exp[-i(\vec{k} - \vec{k}') \cdot \vec{r}] d^3\vec{r} \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d^3\vec{k} d^3\vec{k}' \tilde{F}^*(\vec{k})\tilde{G}(\vec{k}') (2\pi)^3 \delta(\vec{k} - \vec{k}') \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \tilde{F}^*(\vec{k})\tilde{G}(\vec{k}) d^3\vec{k}, \end{aligned}$$

where we have used the identity

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \exp[-i(\vec{k} - \vec{k}') \cdot \vec{r}] d^3\vec{r} = (2\pi)^3 \delta(\vec{k} - \vec{k}'),$$

and

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta(\vec{r}) f(\vec{r}) d^3\vec{r} = f(0).$$

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2. Convolution theorem:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d^3\vec{r}' F(\vec{r}') G(\vec{r} - \vec{r}') = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \tilde{F}(\vec{k}) \tilde{G}(\vec{k}) \exp(i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}) d^3\vec{k}.$$

[Proof]

Let

$$\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d^3\vec{r}' F(\vec{r}') G(\vec{r} - \vec{r}') = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d^3\vec{k} \tilde{V}(\vec{k}) \exp(i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}),$$

$$\tilde{V}(\vec{k}) = (2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}} \tilde{F}(\vec{k}) \tilde{G}(\vec{k}).$$

Since

$$F(\vec{r}') = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \int \tilde{F}(\vec{k}) \exp(i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}') d^3\vec{k},$$

$$G(\vec{r} - \vec{r}') = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \int \tilde{G}(\vec{k}') \exp[i\vec{k}' \cdot (\vec{r} - \vec{r}')] d^3\vec{k}',$$

therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \text{l.h.s.} &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \tilde{F}(\vec{k}) \tilde{G}(\vec{k}') \exp[-i(\vec{k}' - \vec{k}) \cdot \vec{r}'] \exp(i\vec{k}' \cdot \vec{r}) d^3\vec{r}' d^3\vec{k} d^3\vec{k}' \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \tilde{F}(\vec{k}) \tilde{G}(\vec{k}') (2\pi)^3 \delta(\vec{k}' - \vec{k}) \exp(i\vec{k}' \cdot \vec{r}) d^3\vec{k} d^3\vec{k}' \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \int \tilde{F}(\vec{k}) \tilde{G}(\vec{k}) \exp(i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}) d^3\vec{k} \\ &= \text{r.h.s.} \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \int d^3\vec{r}' F(\vec{r}') G(\vec{r} - \vec{r}') \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}^{-1}} \tilde{F}(\vec{k}) \tilde{G}(\vec{k}).$$

[EOP]

3. Some important relations of Fourier transform:

(a)

$$\frac{1}{4\pi r} \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}^{-1}} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \frac{1}{k^2}.$$

[Proof]

On the one hand,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}\left\{\frac{1}{4\pi r}\right\} &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{4\pi r} \exp(-i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}) d^3\vec{r} \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int_0^{+\infty} \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \left[ \frac{1}{4\pi \sqrt{r^2 + a^2}} \exp(-ikr \cos \theta) r^2 \sin \theta \right] d\phi d\theta dr \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{-1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \left[ \int_0^{+\infty} \int_0^\pi \frac{1}{2\sqrt{r^2 + a^2}} \exp(-ikr \cos \theta) r^2 d \cos \theta dr \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{k} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \left[ \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{r \sin kr}{\sqrt{r^2 + a^2}} dr \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2} k} \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \left[ \sqrt{a^2} \operatorname{sgn}(k) K_1 \left( k \operatorname{sgn}(k) \sqrt{a^2} \right) \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \frac{1}{k^2},
\end{aligned}$$

where  $K_1 \left( k \operatorname{sgn}(k) \sqrt{a^2} \right)$  is the second distortion Bessel function. On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{F}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \frac{1}{k^2} \right\} &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \frac{1}{k^2} \exp(i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}) d^3 \vec{k} \\
&= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int_0^{+\infty} \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} \exp(ikr \cos \theta) \sin \theta d\phi d\theta dk \\
&= \frac{-2\pi}{(2\pi)^3} \int_0^{+\infty} \int_0^\pi \exp(ikr \cos \theta) d \cos \theta dk \\
&= \frac{1}{r} \frac{4\pi}{(2\pi)^3} \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{\sin kr}{k} dk \\
&= \frac{1}{r} \frac{4\pi}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{\pi}{2} \\
&= \frac{1}{4\pi r}.
\end{aligned}$$

[EOP]

(b)

$$\frac{\vec{r}}{4\pi r^3} \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}^{-1}} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \frac{-i\vec{k}}{k^2}.$$

[Proof]

Since

$$\nabla \frac{1}{r} = -\frac{\vec{r}}{r^3}, \quad \nabla \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}^{-1}} i\vec{k},$$

so the Fourier transform of  $\frac{\vec{r}}{r^3}$  is that of  $-\nabla \frac{1}{r}$ . Also, since

$$\frac{1}{4\pi r} \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}^{-1}} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \frac{1}{k^2}$$

so

$$\frac{\vec{r}}{4\pi r^3} = -\nabla \frac{1}{4\pi r} \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}^{-1}} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \frac{1}{k^2} (-i\vec{k}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \frac{-i\vec{k}}{k^2}.$$

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(c)

$$\delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_a) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}^{-1}} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \exp(-i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}_a).$$

[Proof]

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}\{\delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_a)\} &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_a) \exp[-i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}] d^3\vec{r} \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \exp(-i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}_a). \end{aligned}$$

[EOP]

4. For a transverse field  $\vec{F}(\vec{r})$  and a longitudinal field  $\vec{G}(\vec{r})$ , one has

$$\int d^3\vec{r} \vec{F}(\vec{r}) \cdot \vec{G}(\vec{r}) = 0.$$

[Proof]

From Parseval identity, we have

$$\int d^3\vec{r} \vec{F}(\vec{r}) \cdot \vec{G}(\vec{r}) = \int d^3\vec{k} \vec{F}(\vec{k}) \cdot \vec{G}(\vec{k}),$$

in which

$$\vec{k} \cdot \vec{F}(\vec{k}) = 0,$$

and

$$\vec{k} \times \vec{G}(\vec{k}) = 0.$$

So

$$\vec{F}(\vec{k}) = (I - \vec{k}^0 \vec{k}^0) \cdot \vec{F}_{total}(\vec{k}),$$

$$\vec{G}(\vec{k}) = \vec{k}^0 [\vec{k}^0 \cdot \vec{G}_{total}(\vec{k})].$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{F}(\vec{k}) \cdot \vec{G}(\vec{k}) &= \left[ (I - \vec{k}^0 \vec{k}^0) \cdot \vec{F}_{total}(\vec{k}) \right] \left[ \vec{k}^0 \vec{k}^0 \cdot \vec{G}_{total}(\vec{k}) \right] \\ &= \vec{F}_{total}(\vec{k}) \cdot \vec{k}^0 \vec{k}^0 \cdot \vec{G}_{total}(\vec{k}) - \vec{k}^0 \vec{k}^0 \cdot \vec{F}_{total}(\vec{k}) \cdot \vec{k}^0 \vec{k}^0 \cdot \vec{G}_{total}(\vec{k}) \\ &= \vec{F}_{total}(\vec{k}) \cdot \vec{G}_{total}(\vec{k}) - \vec{F}_{total}(\vec{k}) \cdot \vec{G}_{total}(\vec{k}) \\ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

$$\int d^3\vec{k} \vec{F}(\vec{k}) \cdot \vec{G}(\vec{k}) = 0,$$

therefore

$$\int d^3\vec{r} \vec{F}(\vec{r}) \cdot \vec{G}(\vec{r}) = 0.$$

[EOP]

## **A.2 Preliminaries of tensor and vector analysis and some important formulae**

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