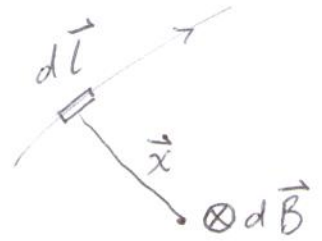


Magnetic Potential - Magnetostatics \vec{J}, \vec{B} time-independent

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{J} = 0 \quad \text{continuity equation}$$

$$\therefore \text{in magnetostatics } \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{J} = 0$$

from Biot-Savart law $d\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} I \frac{d\vec{l} \times \vec{x}}{|\vec{x}|^3}$



$$I d\vec{l} = \vec{J}(\vec{x}) d^3x$$

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

$$= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \vec{\nabla}_x \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} \right) \times \vec{J}(\vec{x}') d^3x'$$

⊙ sign reverses the order

$$\vec{B}(\vec{x}) = \vec{\nabla} \times \left(\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{J}(\vec{x}')}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} d^3x' \right)$$

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

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} = 0 \quad \text{automatically}$$

like the scalar potential

$$\vec{A}(\vec{x}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{J}(\vec{x}')}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} d^3x' + \vec{\nabla} \psi$$

(later)

gradient of scalar (gauge freedom)

Consider $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A})$

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

$$\vec{\nabla}(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \vec{\nabla} \int \vec{J}(\vec{x}') \cdot \vec{\nabla} \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} \right) d^3x'$$

use $\vec{\nabla} \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} \right) = -\vec{\nabla}' \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} \right)$

$$= -\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \vec{\nabla} \int \vec{J}(\vec{x}') \cdot \vec{\nabla}' \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} \right) d^3x' = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \vec{\nabla} \int \frac{\vec{\nabla}' \cdot \vec{J}(\vec{x}')}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} d^3x'$$

re-do $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) = \vec{\nabla} (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A}) - \nabla^2 \vec{A}$

$$\vec{\nabla} (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \vec{\nabla} \int d^3x' \vec{\nabla}_x \cdot \frac{\vec{J}(\vec{x}')}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|}$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \vec{\nabla} \int d^3x' J(\vec{x}') \vec{\nabla}_x \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \vec{\nabla} \int d^3x' \vec{J}(\vec{x}') \cdot \vec{\nabla}_{x'} \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} \right)$$

integration by parts

$$\int u v_{,i} = uv - \int u' v_{,i}$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \vec{\nabla} \int d^3x' \frac{\vec{\nabla}' \cdot \vec{J}(\vec{x}')}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|}$$

from continuity eqn in magnetostatics

+ boundary term $\vec{J}(\vec{x}') \cdot \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|}$

$$\therefore \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = -\nabla^2 \vec{A}$$

$$= -\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int J(\vec{x}') \nabla^2 \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} \right) d^3x'$$

$$= -4\pi \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}')$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J}(\vec{x})$$

second term $\nabla^2 \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} = -4\pi \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}')$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} &= \vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) = \vec{\nabla}(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A}) - \nabla^2 \vec{A} \\ &= -\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int d^3x' J(\vec{x}') \nabla^2 \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J}(\vec{x})}$$

as expected

in electrostatics

Gauss's law is integral form of

$$\boxed{\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}}$$

in magnetostatics

Ampère's law is the equivalent

$$\oint_S (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}) \cdot \hat{n} da = \mu_0 \oint_S \vec{J} \cdot \hat{n} da$$

$$= \oint_C \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_0 I$$

Stokes's theorem

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

Magnetic Vector Potential

if $\vec{J} = 0$ in a region, the $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = 0$, can define magnetic scalar potential Φ_M , $\vec{B} = -\vec{\nabla} \Phi_M$

more generally, if $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$

\vec{B} is the curl of \vec{A} b/c $\vec{\nabla}(\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) = 0$ automatically

the $\nabla^2 \Phi_M = 0$ Laplace equation and techniques for handling problems similar to electrostatics

→ won't consider further!

$$\vec{A} \rightarrow \vec{A} + \vec{\nabla} \psi$$

gauge transformation

b/c $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\nabla} \psi = 0$ so $\vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}$ unchanged

$$\vec{B}(\vec{x}) = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}(\vec{x})$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) = \vec{\nabla}(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A}) - \nabla^2 \vec{A} = \mu_0 \vec{J}$$

if $A \rightarrow A + \vec{\nabla}\psi$

then $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A}$ has first term zero since $\vec{\nabla}' \cdot \vec{J} = 0$ $\Rightarrow A(\vec{x}) \stackrel{\mu_0}{\sim} \frac{1}{4\pi} \int \frac{J(\vec{x}')}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} d\vec{x}'$

thus reduces to $\nabla^2 \psi = 0$ if $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} = 0$

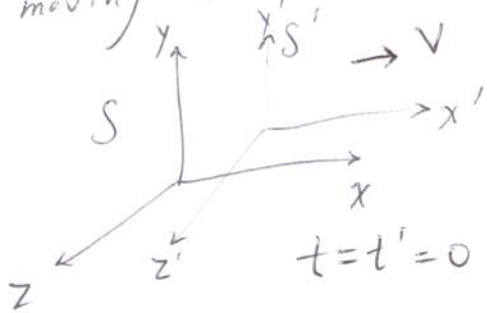
this choice of gauge is the "Coulomb gauge" and then

$\nabla^2 \vec{A} = -\mu_0 \vec{J}$ is a Poisson equation for each rectangular component of \vec{A}

but ... on to relativity where \vec{A} becomes more complete

Special Relativity

(in all) laws of physics are the same independent of reference frames moving with constant relative velocity wrt each other



prior to 1905 Galilean transformation

$$x' = x - vt$$

$$u_x' = u_x - v$$

$$y' = y$$

$$u_y' = u_y$$

$$z' = z$$

$$u_z' = u_z$$

$$t' = t$$

velocities add

Newton's Law $\vec{F} = m\vec{a}$

$$\vec{a} = \frac{d\vec{u}}{dt}$$

$$a' = \frac{du'}{dt'} = \frac{du}{dt} \quad \text{so } \vec{F}' = \vec{F}, \text{ everybody is happy}$$

Maxwell's equations in vacuum ($\vec{J} = 0$)

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

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}) &= -\nabla^2 \vec{B} + \vec{\nabla}(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B}) = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E})}{\partial t} \\ &= -\nabla^2 \vec{B} = -\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}}{\partial t^2} \end{aligned}$$