

## Maxwell's Electromagnetic Equations:

Maxwell's electromagnetic equations are the fundamental equations concerning electro-magnetic theory. Following are the four Maxwell's equations in differential form:

1.  $\nabla \cdot \vec{D} = \rho$  [Differential form of Gauss's law in electrostatics]

2.  $\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$  [Differential form of Gauss's law in magnetostatics]

3.  $\nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$  [Differential form of Faraday's law of electromagnetic induction]

4.  $\nabla \times \vec{H} = \vec{J} + \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t}$  [Maxwell's modified form of Ampere's circuital law]

where  $\vec{D} = \epsilon \vec{E}$  electric displacement vector,  $\epsilon$  being the permittivity of the medium and  $\vec{E}$ , the electric field intensity

$\rho$  = electric charge density.

$\vec{B} = \mu \vec{H}$ ,  $\mu$  is the magnetic permeability,  $\vec{H}$ , the magnetic field intensity

Maxwell's equations in different media:

(a) Free space (or vacuum)

Here  $\rho = 0$  & electrical conductivity  $\sigma = 0$ ,

$\vec{D} = \epsilon_0 \vec{E}$  &  $\vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{H}$ : Here  $\mu_0$  &  $\epsilon_0$  respectively are permeability & permittivity of free space

Thus

$$(1) \nabla \cdot \vec{D} = 0 \quad \& \quad \nabla \cdot \vec{E} = 0$$

$$(2) \nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \quad \& \quad \nabla \cdot \vec{H} = 0$$

$$(3) \nabla \times \vec{E} = -\mu_0 \frac{\partial \vec{H}}{\partial t}$$

$$(4) \nabla \times \vec{H} = \epsilon \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

(b) Conducting medium:

In conducting medium the positive and negative charges are present in equal amount giving  $\rho = 0$ . Also the displacement current density  $J_D \approx 0$ . So

$$(1) \nabla \cdot \vec{D} = 0 \quad (\vec{D} = \epsilon \vec{E})$$

$$(2) \nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \quad (\vec{B} = \mu \vec{H})$$

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

$$(4) \nabla \times \vec{H} = \vec{J} \quad (\vec{J} = \sigma \vec{E})$$

$\mu =$  permeability,  $\epsilon =$  permittivity

$\sigma =$  conductivity

(c) Dielectric medium

Here  $\rho = 0$ ,  $\sigma = 0$  so  $\vec{J} = 0$   $\vec{E}$

$$1) \nabla \cdot \vec{D} = 0$$

$$2) \nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$$

$$3) \nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$$

$$4) \nabla \times \vec{H} = \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t}$$



(d) Maxwell's equation for static  $\vec{E}$  &  $\vec{H}$

$$\text{Here } \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = 0 \quad \& \quad \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$1) \quad \nabla \cdot \vec{D} = 0$$

$$2) \quad \nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$$

$$3) \quad \nabla \times \vec{E} = 0$$

$$4) \quad \nabla \times \vec{H} = \vec{J}$$

Maxwell's equation in Integral form

$$① \quad \int_V \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} = \int_V \rho dv \quad \text{or} \quad \oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} = q/\epsilon$$

$$② \quad \oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} = 0$$

$$③ \quad \oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s}$$

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