

The energy-momentum flux tensor

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \left\{ F^{\mu\rho} F^{\nu}_{\rho} - \frac{1}{4} g^{\mu\nu} F^{\rho\sigma} F_{\rho\sigma} \right\}$$

\uparrow
 $\sum_{\rho=0}^3$ implied

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 $\sum_{\rho} \sum_{\sigma}$ implied

$$F^{\mu\rho} F^{\nu}_{\rho} = F^{\mu\rho} F^{\nu\sigma} g_{\rho\sigma}$$

$\leftarrow \sum_{\rho} \sum_{\sigma}$

This is a tensor with indices $\mu\nu$. (ρ, σ are summed)

$$F^{\mu\nu} = \begin{matrix} \mu & \nu & \rightarrow \\ \downarrow & & \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & E_x/c & E_y/c & E_z/c \\ -E_x/c & 0 & B_z & -B_y \\ -E_y/c & -B_z & 0 & B_x \\ -E_z/c & B_y & -B_x & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$g^{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \text{diag}(-1, 1, 1, 1)$$

Symmetry properties

- $g^{\mu\nu}$ is symmetric : $g^{\nu\mu} = g^{\mu\nu}$
- $F^{\mu\nu}$ is antisymmetric : $F^{\nu\mu} = -F^{\mu\nu}$
- $T^{\mu\nu}$ is symmetric :

$$T^{\nu\mu} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \left\{ F^{\nu\rho} F^{\mu}_{\rho} - \frac{1}{4} g^{\nu\mu} F^{\rho\sigma} F_{\rho\sigma} \right\}$$

$$= F^{\mu\sigma} F^{\nu\rho} g_{\rho\sigma} - \frac{1}{4} g^{\nu\mu} F^{\rho\sigma} F_{\rho\sigma}$$

$$= F^{\mu\sigma} F^{\nu\rho} g_{\rho\sigma}$$

$$= F^{\mu\rho} F^{\nu\sigma} g_{\rho\sigma} = F^{\mu\rho} F^{\nu\sigma} g_{\rho\sigma}$$

$$= T^{\mu\nu} \dots \text{symmetric} \quad (\text{dummy summation variable})$$

The 4-dimensional divergence of $T^{\mu\nu}$ is something interesting 12.9/2

Recall the field equations in covariant form

$$\frac{\partial F^{\mu\nu}}{\partial x^\nu} = \mu_0 J^\mu \quad (1) \quad \text{where } J^\mu = 4\text{-vector current density}$$

($c\rho, J_x, J_y, J_z$)

$$\frac{\partial G^{\mu\nu}}{\partial x^\nu} = 0 \quad (2) \quad \text{where } G_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} F^{\alpha\beta}$$

(dual tensor)

(1) $\begin{cases} \text{Gauss's Law } (\mu=0) \\ \text{Ampère's Law } (\mu=123) \end{cases}$

(2) $\begin{cases} \text{Gauss's Law } \nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \quad (\mu=0) \\ \text{Faraday's Law } (\mu=123) \end{cases}$

Now calculate $\frac{\partial T^{\mu\nu}}{\partial x^\nu}$

$$\mu_0 T^{\mu\nu} = F^{\mu\rho} F^{\nu\sigma} g_{\rho\sigma} - \frac{1}{4} g^{\mu\nu} F^{\rho\sigma} F_{\rho\sigma}$$

$$\mu_0 \frac{\partial T^{\mu\nu}}{\partial x^\nu} = \frac{\partial F^{\mu\rho}}{\partial x^\nu} F^{\nu\sigma} g_{\rho\sigma} + F^{\mu\rho} \frac{\partial F^{\nu\sigma}}{\partial x^\nu} g_{\rho\sigma} - \frac{1}{4} g^{\mu\nu} \left[\frac{\partial F^{\rho\sigma}}{\partial x^\nu} F_{\rho\sigma} + F^{\rho\sigma} \frac{\partial F_{\rho\sigma}}{\partial x^\nu} \right]$$

each term is a 4-vector with index μ .

• Second term = $F^{\mu\rho} (-\mu_0 J^\sigma) g_{\rho\sigma} = -\mu_0 F^{\mu\rho} J_\rho$

• Third term = fourth term

\therefore third + fourth

$$= -\frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} F_{\rho\sigma} \frac{\partial F^{\rho\sigma}}{\partial x^\nu}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} F_{\lambda\kappa} \frac{\partial F^{\lambda\kappa}}{\partial x^\mu}$$

$$A^\lambda B_\lambda = A_\lambda B^\lambda$$

See why?

renaming the dummy indices: $\rho \rightarrow \lambda$ and $\sigma \rightarrow \kappa$

• First term = $\frac{\partial F^{\mu\rho}}{\partial x^\nu} F^{\nu\sigma} g_{\rho\sigma}$

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= $\frac{\partial F^{\mu\rho}}{\partial x^\nu} F_{\nu\rho}$

Raising and Lowering indices

$A^\lambda B_\lambda = A_\lambda B^\lambda$

$A^\lambda g_{\lambda\kappa} = A_\kappa$

$A_0 = -A^0, A_i = A^i$

(a):

= $F_{\lambda\kappa} \frac{\partial F^{\mu\kappa}}{\partial x_\lambda}$ ν → λ
ρ → κ

= $-F_{\kappa\lambda} \frac{\partial F^{\mu\kappa}}{\partial x_\lambda} = +F_{\kappa\lambda} \frac{\partial F^{\kappa\mu}}{\partial x_\lambda}$

(b):

= $F_{\lambda\kappa} \frac{\partial F^{\lambda\mu}}{\partial x_\kappa}$

change the dummy indices:
κ → λ and λ → κ

= $\frac{1}{2} F_{\lambda\kappa} \left\{ \frac{\partial F^{\mu\kappa}}{\partial x_\lambda} + \frac{\partial F^{\lambda\mu}}{\partial x_\kappa} \right\}$

a = b
∴ a = 1/2 (a+b)

Result

$\mu_0 \frac{\partial T^{\mu\nu}}{\partial x^\nu} = -\mu_0 F^{\mu\rho} \bar{J}_\rho$

+ $\frac{1}{2} F_{\lambda\kappa} \left\{ \frac{\partial F^{\kappa\lambda}}{\partial x_\mu} + \frac{\partial F^{\mu\kappa}}{\partial x_\lambda} + \frac{\partial F^{\lambda\mu}}{\partial x_\kappa} \right\}$

(3rd+4th) (1st)

In { ... } we have 3 cyclic permutations
(μκλ) + (λμκ) + (κλμ)

But $\epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda\rho} \frac{\partial F^{\alpha\beta}}{\partial x^\nu} = 0$

$\frac{\partial G^{\mu\nu}}{\partial x^\nu} = 0$

Given μ this is the sum of 3 cyclic permutations of νλρ. (νλρ must all be different)

Result

$$\frac{\partial T^{\mu\nu}}{\partial x^\nu} = -F^{\mu\alpha} J_\alpha$$

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This equation is the continuity equation for energy and conservation. IMPORTANT!

Energy and momentum are conserved.

The continuity equation tells how energy and momentum are conserved between fields and particles.

The time component ($\mu=0$)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial T^{0\nu}}{\partial x^\nu} &= \frac{\partial T^{00}}{\partial x^0} + \frac{\partial T^{0i}}{\partial x^i} = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial T^{00}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial T^{0i}}{\partial x^i} \\ &= -F^{0\alpha} J_\alpha = -F^{0i} J_i = -F^{0i} J^i \\ &= -\frac{\vec{E} \cdot \vec{J}}{c} = -\frac{1}{c} \vec{J} \cdot \vec{E} \end{aligned}$$

Let $T^{00} = u$ and $T^{0i} = \frac{1}{c} S^i$.

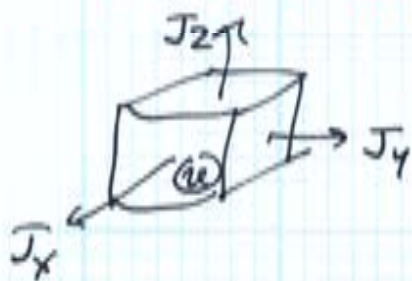
$$\boxed{\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \vec{S} = -\vec{J} \cdot \vec{E}}$$

$\leftarrow (-1)^+$
= work done on charged particles in the current

\Rightarrow energy is locally conserved

$\Rightarrow u =$ energy density $= T^{00}$

$\Rightarrow \vec{S} =$ energy flux $= c T^{0i} \hat{e}_i$



$$\oint \vec{S} \cdot d\vec{A} = -\frac{d}{dt} \int u d^3x - \int \vec{J} \cdot \vec{E} d^3x$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int u d^3x = -\int \vec{S} \cdot d\vec{A} - \int \vec{J} \cdot \vec{E} d^3x$$

energy changes \because flows out or does work

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Express u and \vec{S} in terms of \vec{E} and \vec{B}

$$\mu_0 T^{\mu\nu} = F^{\mu\rho} F^{\nu}_{\rho} - \frac{1}{4} g^{\mu\nu} F^{\rho\sigma} F_{\rho\sigma}$$

$$\boxed{\mu\nu = 00}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_0 T^{00} &= F^{0i} F^{0i} - \frac{1}{4} g^{00} \{ -2F^{0i} F^{0i} + F^{jk} F^{jk} \} \\ &= \frac{\vec{E}^2}{c^2} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\vec{E}^2}{c^2} + \frac{1}{2} \vec{B}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\vec{E}^2}{c^2} + B^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore u = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 \vec{E}^2 + \frac{1}{2\mu_0} \vec{B}^2 \quad (\checkmark)$$

$$\boxed{\mu\nu = 0i}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_0 T^{0i} &= F^{0j} F^i_j = F^{0j} F^{ij} \\ &= \frac{E^j}{c} \epsilon_{ijk} B^k = \frac{1}{c} (\vec{E} \times \vec{B})^i \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \vec{S} = c T^{0i} \hat{e}_i = \frac{\vec{E} \times \vec{B}}{\mu_0} \quad (\checkmark)$$

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$T^{i0} = T^{0i} = \frac{S^i}{c}$

Space components ($\mu = i$)

$$\frac{\partial T^{i\nu}}{\partial x^\nu} = \frac{\partial T^{i0}}{\partial x^0} + \frac{\partial T^{ij}}{\partial x^j} = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial T^{i0}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial T^{ij}}{\partial x^j}$$

$$= -F^{ij} J_j = -F^{i0} J_0 - F^{ij} J_j$$

$$= -(-E^i)(-c\rho) - F^{ij} J_j$$

$$= -\rho E^i - (\vec{J} \times \vec{B})^i$$

$\epsilon_{ijk} B^k J^j = (\vec{J} \times \vec{B})^i$

$$\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial S^i}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial T^{ij}}{\partial x^j} = -\rho E^i - (\vec{J} \times \vec{B})^i$$

$$\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \vec{S}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \vec{T} = -[\rho \vec{E} + \vec{J} \times \vec{B}]$$

the continuity equation for momentum

$\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \vec{S}}{\partial t}$ = rate of change of momentum per unit volume

$\parallel \vec{S}/c^2$ = field momentum density = $\vec{\pi}$

$\nabla \cdot \vec{T}$ = momentum flux per unit volume

$$\parallel \int \nabla \cdot \vec{T} d^3x = \oint \vec{T} \cdot d\vec{A}$$

momentum flowing away from the point \vec{x}

$\rho \vec{E} + \vec{J} \times \vec{B}$ = force per unit volume on charged particles

= flux

$$\frac{d\vec{P}}{dt} = \vec{F} \quad \text{so} \quad \vec{P}_{\text{particles}} + \int \vec{\pi} d^3x \text{ is constant.}$$

Momentum is conserved and e.m. fields have momentum.

T = the momentum per unit area (a matrix)

Photons are massless

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	Classical theory	Photon theory
Energy flux	\vec{S}	$E_y n_y c$
Momentum density	$\vec{\Pi} = \frac{\vec{S}}{c^2}$	$p_x n_y$
Momentum flux	$c \vec{\Pi} = \frac{\vec{S}}{c}$	$p_x n_y c$
<u>Energy flux</u>	c	$\frac{E_y}{p_x}$
Momentum flux		

So E_y/p_x must be c to be consistent.

$$E = \sqrt{p^2 c^2 + m^2 c^4} \text{ for a massive particle.}$$

$$E = pc \text{ if the mass is 0.}$$

\therefore Photons are massless.

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T^{ij} = the momentum flux per unit area

T^{ij} = the flux of P^i in the direction of x^j .

Express T^{11} in terms of (E_x, E_y, E_z) and (B_x, B_y, B_z) .

Express T^{12} in terms of (E_x, E_y, E_z) and (B_x, B_y, B_z) .