

Homework 7 Solutions

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We are told that the same flux passes through every turn of both coils. Call this flux Φ . Then the total flux passing through the first coil is $\Phi_1 = \Phi N_1$, while the total flux passing through the second is $\Phi_2 = \Phi N_2$. If one of the currents, say I_1 , is changing, then there is an induced emf in coil 2 and a back emf in coil 1. The induced emf in coil 2 is given by $\mathcal{E}_2 = -d\Phi_2/dt = -N_2 d\Phi/dt$. The back emf in coil 1 is given by $\mathcal{E}_1 = -d\Phi_1/dt = -N_1 d\Phi/dt$. We see that the ratio of the induced emf to the back emf is just N_2/N_1 .

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(a)

Start from the charge conservation law:

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{J} = -\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t}. \quad (1)$$

Differentiate both sides with respect to time:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \cdot \vec{J} = \nabla \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{J}}{\partial t} = 0 = -\frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial t^2}. \quad (2)$$

This implies that ρ is a linear function of time:

$$\rho(\vec{r}, t) = \rho(\vec{r}, 0) + \dot{\rho}(\vec{r}, 0)t. \quad (3)$$

(b)

We want to check that the Biot-Savart expression for the magnetic field,

$$\vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int d^3 r' \frac{\vec{J}(\vec{r}') \times \hat{\zeta}}{\zeta^2}, \quad (4)$$

with $\vec{\zeta} = \vec{r} - \vec{r}'$, satisfies the modified Ampere's law:

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}. \quad (5)$$

Taking the curl of the Biot-Savart law gives

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\nabla \times (\vec{J} \times \hat{\zeta})}{\zeta^2} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \left[-(\vec{J} \cdot \nabla) \frac{\hat{\zeta}}{\zeta^2} + \vec{J} \left(\nabla \cdot \frac{\hat{\zeta}}{\zeta^2} \right) \right]. \quad (6)$$

From equation 1.100 in the text, we know that

$$\nabla \cdot \frac{\hat{\zeta}}{\zeta^2} = 4\pi\delta(\vec{\zeta}), \quad (7)$$

so (6) becomes

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = -\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int (\vec{J} \cdot \nabla) \frac{\hat{\zeta}}{\zeta^2} + \mu_0 \vec{J}. \quad (8)$$

Note that this calculation is essentially identical to that given in section 5.3.2 of the text. Here too, we can replace the ∇ operator on unprimed coordinates with the operator $-\nabla'$ on primed coordinates. We may then do an integration by parts on the remaining integral in (8). As in section 5.3.2, we get two terms, one of which is a total divergence which becomes a vanishing surface integral. Whereas in section 5.3.2, the second term from the integration by parts was also vanishing, here it is not. It is of the form

$$-\frac{\hat{\zeta}}{\zeta^2} \nabla' \cdot \vec{J} = \frac{\hat{\zeta}}{\zeta^2} \frac{\partial \rho}{dt}. \quad (9)$$

Plugging this into (8) gives

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int \rho \frac{\hat{\zeta}}{\zeta^2} + \mu_0 \vec{J} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} + \mu_0 \vec{J}. \quad (10)$$

In the last step, we used that the electric field is given by Coulomb's law:

$$\vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \rho \frac{\hat{\zeta}}{\zeta^2}. \quad (11)$$

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(a)

We will check this one equation at a time. First look at equation (i) of 7.43:

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \rho_e. \quad (12)$$

We make the replacements

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{E} &\rightarrow \vec{E}' = \vec{E} \cos \alpha + c\vec{B} \sin \alpha, \\ \rho_e &\rightarrow \rho'_e = \rho_e \cos \alpha + \frac{1}{c}\rho_m \sin \alpha.\end{aligned}\tag{13}$$

Plugging these into (12) and rearranging gives

$$\cos \alpha \nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \rho_e \cos \alpha + \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon_0 c} \rho_m \sin \alpha - c \sin \alpha \nabla \cdot \vec{B} \right).\tag{14}$$

The terms in parentheses cancel by virtue of Maxwell equation (ii), and after canceling the $\cos \alpha$ from the remaining terms, we get back equation (12). Equation (ii) of 7.43 is verified in a very similar manner.

Now consider equation (iii) of 7.43:

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = -\mu_0 \vec{J}_m - \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}.\tag{15}$$

We need to make the following replacements:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{E} &\rightarrow \vec{E}' = \vec{E} \cos \alpha + c\vec{B} \sin \alpha, \\ \vec{J}_m &\rightarrow \vec{J}'_m = \vec{J}_m \cos \alpha - c\vec{J}_e \sin \alpha, \\ \vec{B} &\rightarrow \vec{B}' = \vec{B} \cos \alpha - \frac{1}{c}\vec{E} \sin \alpha.\end{aligned}\tag{16}$$

Plugging these into (15) gives

$$\cos \alpha \nabla \times \vec{E} + c \sin \alpha \nabla \times \vec{B} = -\mu_0 \vec{J}_m \cos \alpha + \mu_0 c \vec{J}_e \sin \alpha - \cos \alpha \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{c} \sin \alpha \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}.\tag{17}$$

The terms multiplying $\sin \alpha$ cancel by virtue of Maxwell equation (iv), and after canceling the remaining $\cos \alpha$ everywhere, we get back equation (15). Verification of equation (iv) follows similarly.

(b)

Here is the force law:

$$\vec{F} = q_e \left(\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B} \right) + q_m \left(\vec{B} - \frac{1}{c^2} \vec{v} \times \vec{E} \right).\tag{18}$$

We need to do the following transformation:

$$\begin{aligned}
\vec{E}' &= \vec{E} \cos \alpha + c\vec{B} \sin \alpha, \\
\vec{B}' &= \vec{B} \cos \alpha - \frac{1}{c}\vec{E} \sin \alpha, \\
q'_e &= q_e \cos \alpha + \frac{1}{c}q_m \sin \alpha, \\
q'_m &= q_m \cos \alpha - cq_e \sin \alpha.
\end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

Plugging in and expanding, we find three types of terms: ones having coefficient $\sin^2 \alpha$, ones with $\cos^2 \alpha$ and ones with $\sin \alpha \cos \alpha$. The terms with $\sin \alpha \cos \alpha$ all cancel. Here are the remaining terms:

$$\begin{aligned}
& q_e \left(\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B} \right) \cos^2 \alpha + q_m \left(\vec{B} - \frac{1}{c^2} \vec{v} \times \vec{E} \right) \sin^2 \alpha \\
& + q_e \left(\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B} \right) \sin^2 \alpha + q_m \left(\vec{B} - \frac{1}{c^2} \vec{v} \times \vec{E} \right) \cos^2 \alpha.
\end{aligned} \tag{20}$$

These terms can be combined pairwise to reproduce the force law (18).