

258(a): Beltrami Fields and the Proca Equation

In ECE physics the Proca equation may be written as:

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{B}^a = 0 \quad - (1)$$

$$\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{E}^a + \frac{\partial \underline{B}^a}{\partial t} = \underline{0} \quad - (2)$$

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{E}^a = \frac{\rho^a}{\epsilon_0} \quad - (3)$$

$$\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{B}^a - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \underline{E}^a}{\partial t} = \mu_0 \underline{J}^a \quad - (4)$$

in the usual notation of these notes. Define the four current and four potential respectively by:

$$J^\mu = (c\rho, \underline{J}) \quad - (5)$$

$$A^\mu = (\frac{\phi}{c}, \underline{A}) \quad - (6)$$

Here the Proca theory on the ECE level asserts that:

$$J^\mu = -\epsilon_0 \left(\frac{mc}{\hbar} \right)^2 A^\mu \quad - (7)$$

where m is the photon mass.

Therefore:

$$\rho^a = -\epsilon_0 c^2 \left(\frac{mc}{\hbar} \right)^2 \phi^a \quad - (8)$$

$$\underline{J}^a = -\epsilon_0 \left(\frac{mc}{\hbar} \right)^2 \underline{A}^a \quad - (9)$$

on the U(1) level the Proca equation is:

$$\partial_\mu F^{\mu\nu} = \vec{J}^\nu / \epsilon_0 - (10)$$

$$= - \left(\frac{mc}{\hbar} \right)^2 A^\nu$$

Therefore:

$$\partial_\nu \partial_\mu F^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \partial_\nu \vec{J}^\nu$$

$$= - \left(\frac{mc}{\hbar} \right)^2 \partial_\nu A^\nu - (11)$$

$$= 0$$

So:

$$\partial_\mu \vec{J}^\mu = \partial_\mu A^\mu = 0 - (12)$$

Therefore the Proca theory consists of conservation of charge current density and the Lorenz condition.

In vector notation eq. (11) is:

$$\frac{1}{c} \frac{d}{dt} (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}) = \frac{1}{c\epsilon_0} \frac{d\rho}{dt} = 0 - (13)$$

and

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{d}{dt} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \mu_0 \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{J} - (14)$$

Now we

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = 0 - (15)$$

and $\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \quad - (16)$

to find that

$$-\frac{1}{c^2 \epsilon_0} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = \mu_0 \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{J} \quad - (17)$$

with

$$\mu_0 \epsilon_0 = \frac{1}{c^2} \quad - (18)$$

so:

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{J} = 0} \quad - (19)$$

This is the conservation of charge current density:

$$\partial_\mu J^\mu = \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{J} = 0 \quad - (20)$$

In the Proca formalism eq. (20) implies the Lorentz condition:

$$\partial_\mu A^\mu = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{A} = 0$$

Therefore the Proca equation is not U(1) gauge invariant because: - (21)

$$J^\mu = -\epsilon_0 \left(\frac{mc}{\hbar} \right)^2 A^\mu \quad - (22)$$

and the idea of U(1) gauge invariance is

4) But physical quantities are unchanged under:

$$A^\mu \rightarrow A^\mu + \partial^\mu \phi \quad - (23)$$

where ϕ is an arbitrary function. Eq. (22) shows that if there is photon mass, \vec{J}^μ changes under the transformation (23)

Photon mass is incompatible with U(1)

gauge invariance

The usual theory of U(1) gauge invariance means that:

$$\begin{aligned} F^{\mu\nu} &\rightarrow F^{\mu\nu} + (\partial^\mu \partial^\nu - \partial^\nu \partial^\mu) \chi \\ &= F^{\mu\nu} \end{aligned} \quad - (24)$$

The Proca wave equation at the U(1) level is

obtained from:

$$\partial_\mu (\partial^\mu A^\nu - \partial^\nu A^\mu) = - \left(\frac{mc}{\hbar} \right)^2 A^\nu \quad - (25)$$

$$\text{i.e.} \quad \square A^\nu - \partial_\mu \partial^\nu A^\mu + \left(\frac{mc}{\hbar} \right)^2 A^\nu = 0 \quad - (26)$$

Now use:

$$\partial_\mu \partial^\nu A^\mu = \partial^\nu \partial_\mu A^\mu = 0 \quad - (27)$$

from eq. (12), so the Proca wave equation is:

$$\left(\square + \left(\frac{mc}{\hbar} \right)^2 \right) A^\mu = 0 \quad - (28)$$

In ECE physics the Proca equation (28) is obtained from the tetrad postulate and the ECE hypothesis, and is:

$$\left(\square + \left(\frac{mc}{\hbar} \right)^2 \right) A^\mu = 0 \quad - (29)$$

The Proca field equations are obtained from the Cartan and Evans identities.

The conservation of charge current density at the ECE level is:

$$\frac{d\rho^a}{dt} + \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{J}^a = 0 \quad - (30)$$

and is obtained from eqs. (3) and (4):

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{B}^a - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{d}{dt} \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{E}^a = \mu_0 \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{J}^a \quad - (31)$$

$$- \frac{1}{c^2 \epsilon_0} \frac{d\rho^a}{dt} = \mu_0 \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{J}^a \quad - (32)$$

which is eq. (30), QED.

Therefore conservation of charge-current density

is the result of geometry, as is photon mass.

In ECE physics the electric charge density is:

$$\rho^a = \epsilon_0 (\underline{\omega}^a_b \cdot \underline{E}^b - c \underline{A}^b \cdot \underline{R}^a_b(\text{orb})) - (33)$$

and

$$\underline{J}^a = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \left(\underline{\omega}^a_b \times \underline{B}^b + \frac{\omega_0}{c} \underline{E}^b - (34) \right. \\ \left. - (\underline{A}^b \times \underline{R}^a_b(\text{spin}) + \underline{A}^b \cdot \underline{R}^a_b(\text{orb})) \right)$$

Therefore it is possible to use eqs. (30) (33)

and (34) to obtain new equations.

Also, in photon mass theory eqs. (8) and (9) can be applied with eqs. (30), (33) and (34).

Illustration with Magnetostatics

In this case the only thing present is a static magnetic field, so:

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{B}^a = 0 - (35)$$

$$\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{B}^a = \mu_0 \underline{J}^a - (36)$$

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{J}^a = \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{B}^a = 0 - (37)$$

$$\partial \rho^a / \partial t = 0 - (38)$$

) There is no electric field present and if it is assumed that the scalar potential is zero:

$$\underline{J}^a = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \left(\underline{\omega}^a{}_b \times \underline{B}^b - \underline{A}^b \times \underline{R}^a{}_b(\text{spin}) \right) \quad - (39)$$

so it follows from eq. (37) that:

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{\omega}^a{}_b \times \underline{B}^b = \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{A}^b \times \underline{R}^a{}_b(\text{spin}) \quad - (40)$$

In the absence of a magnetic monopole:

$$\underline{\omega}^a{}_b \cdot \underline{B}^b = \underline{A}^b \cdot \underline{R}^a{}_b(\text{spin}) \quad - (41)$$

using vector analysis:

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{\omega}^a{}_b \times \underline{B}^b = \underline{B}^b \cdot \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{\omega}^a{}_b - \underline{\omega}^a{}_b \cdot \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{B}^b \quad - (42)$$

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{A}^b \times \underline{R}^a{}_b(\text{spin}) = \underline{R}^a{}_b(\text{spin}) \cdot \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A}^a - \underline{A}^b \cdot \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{R}^a{}_b(\text{spin}) \quad - (43)$$

From the space part of the Cartan identity:

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{\omega}^a{}_b \times \underline{A}^b = 0 \quad - (44)$$

in the absence of a magnetic monopole.

and:

$$\underline{\omega}^a{}_b \cdot \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A}^b = \underline{A}^b \cdot \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{\omega}^a{}_b - (45)$$

The magnetic flux density is:

$$\underline{B}^a = \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A}^a - \underline{\omega}^a{}_b \times \underline{A}^b - (46)$$

The Beltrami equation is:

$$\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{B}^a = \kappa \underline{B}^a = \kappa (\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A}^a - \underline{\omega}^a{}_b \times \underline{A}^b) - (47)$$

Eq. (44) implies the Beltrami equation:

$$\underline{\nabla} \times (\underline{\omega}^a{}_b \times \underline{A}^b) = \kappa \underline{\omega}^a{}_b \times \underline{A}^b - (48)$$

From eq. (47):

$$\underline{B}^a = \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A}^a - \underline{\omega}^a{}_b \times \underline{A}^b - (49)$$

so:

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\nabla} \times (\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A}^a) - \underline{\nabla} \times (\underline{\omega}^a{}_b \times \underline{A}^b) \\ = \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{B}^a = \kappa \underline{B}^a - (50) \\ = \kappa (\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A}^a - \underline{\omega}^a{}_b \times \underline{A}^b) \end{aligned}$$

using eq. (48):

$$9) \quad \underline{\nabla} \times (\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A}^a) = \kappa \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A}^a - (51)$$

i.e. $\boxed{\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A}^a = \kappa \underline{A}^a} - (52)$

Using eqs. (45) and (52):

$$\boxed{\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{\omega}^a{}_b = \kappa \underline{\omega}^a{}_b} - (53)$$

From eq. (42), (53) and (47):

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{\omega}^a{}_b \times \underline{B}^b = 0 - (54)$$

so from eq. (40):

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{A}^b \times \underline{R}^a{}_b(\text{spin}) = 0 - (55)$$

From eq. (43):

$$\underline{R}^a{}_b(\text{spin}) \cdot \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A}^a = \underline{A}^b \cdot \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{R}^a{}_b(\text{spin}) - (56)$$

so from eq. (52):

$$\boxed{\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{R}^a{}_b(\text{spin}) = \kappa \underline{R}^a{}_b(\text{spin})} - (57)$$

for magnetostatics.

In order to summarize these results, the following equations are generally true:

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{B}^a &= \kappa \underline{B}^a \\ \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A}^a &= \kappa \underline{A}^a \\ \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{\omega}^a b &= \kappa \underline{\omega}^a b\end{aligned} \quad - (58)$$

and for magnetostatics:

$$\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{R}^a_b(\text{spin}) = \kappa \underline{R}^a_b(\text{spin}) - (59)$$

Also for magnetostatics:

$$\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{B}^a = \kappa \underline{B}^a = \mu_0 \underline{J}^a - (60).$$

so

$$\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{J}^a = \kappa \underline{J}^a - (61)$$

Therefore in photon mass theory:

$$\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A}^a = \kappa \underline{A}^a - (62)$$

and

$$\left(\square + \left(\frac{\kappa c}{\hbar} \right)^2 \right) \underline{A}^a = 0 - (63)$$

It follows from eq. (62) that:

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{A}^a = 0 - (64)$$

therefore eq. (62) becomes:

$$\nabla^2 \underline{A}^a + \kappa^2 \underline{A}^a = 0 \quad - (65)$$

which is the Helmholtz equation. Eq. (63) is:

$$\left(\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - \nabla^2 + \left(\frac{mc}{\hbar} \right)^2 \right) \underline{A}^a = \underline{0} \quad - (66)$$

$$\text{so } \left(\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} + \kappa^2 + \left(\frac{mc}{\hbar} \right)^2 \right) \underline{A}^a = \underline{0} \quad - (67)$$

Now we:

$$p = \hbar \kappa \quad - (68)$$

and

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} = - \frac{E^2}{\hbar^2} \quad - (69)$$

to find that eq. (67) is the Einstein energy equation:

$$E^2 = p^2 c^2 + m^2 c^4 \quad - (70)$$

for photon mass.

It is concluded that in ECE physics

$$\partial_\mu A^{a\mu} = 0 \quad - (71)$$

i.e

$$\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \phi^a}{\partial t} + \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{A}^a = 0 \quad - (72)$$

12) and

so:

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{A}^a &= 0 \quad - (73) \\ \frac{\partial \phi^a}{\partial t} &= 0 \quad - (74)\end{aligned}$$

Also in ECE physics:

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{\omega}^a{}_b = 0 \quad - (75)$$

and the spin connection vector is a Beltrami vector.

The magnetic field is defined by:

$$\underline{B}^a = \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A}^a - \underline{\omega}^a{}_b \times \underline{A}^a \quad - (76)$$

so:

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{B}^a = - \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{\omega}^a{}_b \times \underline{A}^a = 0 \quad - (77)$$

because:

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A}^a = 0 \quad - (78)$$

By vector analysis:

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{\omega}^a{}_b \times \underline{A}^a &= \underline{A}^a \cdot \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{\omega}^a{}_b \\ &\quad - \underline{\omega}^a{}_b \cdot \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A}^a \\ &= 0 \quad - (79)\end{aligned}$$

because:

$$\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{\omega}^a{}_b = \kappa \underline{\omega}^a{}_b \quad - (80)$$

$$\text{and} \quad \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A}^b = \kappa \underline{A}^b \quad - (81)$$

i.e because:

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{A}^a = 0 \quad - (82)$$

$$\text{and} \quad \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{\omega}^a{}_b = 0 \quad - (83)$$

In the absence of a magnetic monopole eq. (79) also follows from the space part of the Cartan identity.

Therefore the entire analysis is rigorously self consistent.

Finally "photon mass being" - eqs. (8) and (9) show that:

$$\frac{d\rho^a}{dt} = 0 \quad - (84)$$

$$\text{and} \quad \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{J}^a = 0 \quad - (85)$$

The charge density associated with photon mass is independent of time and the current density associated with photon mass has no

14) diverges.

The photon mass may be thought of as an entity which generates a vacuum four current from a vacuum four potential, as it eqns (8) and (9). The photon mass is very tiny, so if:

$$J_{\mu}^a = -\epsilon_0 \left(\frac{mc}{\hbar} \right)^2 A_{\mu}^a \quad - (86)$$

The vacuum charge current density from photon mass is very tiny, even for a very large vacuum potential.
