

FINAL VERSION OF NOTES FOR

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In this version an explanation for the Faraday disc generator is derived which appears to be in agreement with points of view to date. We start with careful considerations of the homogeneous current:

$$j^a = \frac{A^{(0)}}{\mu_0} (R^a_b \wedge v^b + T^b \wedge \omega^a_b) \quad - (1)$$

This current vanishes when:

$$\omega^a_b = \kappa \epsilon^a_{bc} v^c, \quad - (2)$$

i.e. when the spin connection is dual to the tetrad.

Proof

Cartan's structure equations show that:

$$T^a = D \wedge v^a \quad - (3)$$

$$R^a_b = D \wedge \omega^a_b \quad - (4)$$

From eqs (2) and (4):

$$R^a_b = \kappa \epsilon^a_{bc} T^c \quad - (5)$$

From eqs. (2) and (5) in eq. (1):

$$j^a = \frac{A^{(0)}}{\mu_0} \kappa \epsilon^a_{bc} (T^c \wedge v^b + T^b \wedge v^c) \quad - (6)$$

2) For $a = 1$:

$$j^1 = \frac{A^{(0)}}{\mu_0} \kappa \left(\epsilon'^1{}_{23} T^3 \wedge q_V^2 + \epsilon'^1{}_{32} T^2 \wedge q_V^3 \right. \\ \left. + \epsilon'^1{}_{23} T^2 \wedge q_V^3 + \epsilon'^1{}_{32} T^3 \wedge q_V^2 \right) \\ = 0 \quad - (7)$$

Because:

$$\epsilon'^1{}_{23} = -\epsilon'^1{}_{32}. \quad - (8)$$

It is concluded that:

$$j^a = 0, \quad a = 0, 1, 2, 3 \quad - (9)$$

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For space indices:

$$\omega_{ab} = -\kappa \epsilon_{abc} q_V^c \quad - (10) \\ = -\frac{\omega}{c} \epsilon_{abc} q_V^c.$$

The tetrad components are cartesian vector components with a factor $e^{i\phi}$ and so ω_{ab} are spin or rotation generator matrices. Since eq. (10) is always true for any type of rotation the intrinsic spin is always zero. Therefore the intrinsic spin of the electromagnetic field

3) is always described by :

$$\boxed{d \wedge F^a = 0} \quad \text{--- (11)}$$

An example of this intrinsic spin is circular polarization. In vector notation eq. (11) is :

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{B}^a = \underline{0} \quad \text{--- (12)}$$

$$\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{E}^a + \frac{d\underline{B}^a}{dt} = \underline{0} \quad \text{--- (13)}$$

The homogeneous current \underline{j}^a is intrinsically non-zero if and only if ω^a_b is not the dual of ∇^c .

This can be true if and only if there is an effect of a central force such a gravitation or e/n in a gravitational field. For this effect to occur ω^a_b must be asymmetric. If it is symmetric or antisymmetric then \underline{j}^a vanishes.

Therefore in the Faraday disc generator the extra induction caused by mechanical rotation of the disc, magnet, or both must be

4) described by:

$$j^a = A^{(0)} (d \wedge T^a)_{\text{mechanical}} \quad - (14)$$

i.e. by:

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{B}^a = \left(\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{B}^a \right)_{\text{mechanical}} \quad - (15)$$

$$\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{E}^a + \frac{\partial \underline{B}^a}{\partial t} = \left(\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{E}^a + \frac{\partial \underline{B}^a}{\partial t} \right)_{\text{mechanical}} \quad - (16)$$

The requirements for j^a to be non-zero

are:

- 1) The existence of $A^{(0)}$ from the magnet;
- 2) The existence of a mechanically generated torsion T^a (mechanical):

$$\left(T^a = d \wedge q^a + \omega^a{}_b \wedge q^b \right)_{\text{mechanical}} \quad - (17)$$

In Euclidean space:

$$\left(\underline{T}^a = \underline{\nabla} \times q^a + \underline{\omega}^a{}_b \times q^b \right)_{\text{mechanical}} \quad - (18)$$

5)

Discussion

The mechanical rotation of the disc sets up an electric field \underline{E}^a (mechanical) and magnetic field \underline{B}^a (mechanical). If the disc is rotated about z then there is an E_x and E_y . These set up an emf or potential difference between the centre of the disk and its edge. If $\frac{\partial \underline{B}^a}{\partial t}$ is zero a $\nabla \times \underline{E}^a$ (mechanical) set up by rotation. This is true even if no lines of force from $\frac{\partial \underline{B}^a}{\partial t}$ cut the rotating disc or induce a coil. The total derivatives of classical e/m (e.g. Jackson) are inherent in the structure of the Faraday law of induction. The mechanically induced current is:

$$\underline{j}^a = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \left(\nabla \times \underline{E}^a + \frac{\partial \underline{B}^a}{\partial t} \right)_{\text{mechanical}} \quad (19)$$