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ABSTRACT

The Coulomb law is derived from general relativity applied to classical electrodynamics within Einstein Cartan Evans (ECE) unified field theory. The radial component of the spin connection is modeled to be of the form $1/r$, where r is the radial component of the spherical polar coordinate system. The Coulomb potential so obtained may be amplified by space-time resonance. If this resonant Coulomb potential is used in a computation of the radial orbitals of the H atom, for example, the latter ionizes if the kinetic energy inputted from space-time at resonance exceeds the ionization potential energy (13.6 eV). The free electrons so released may be used as a novel source of electric power.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The theory of general relativity was developed for the gravitational field, as is well known, and has recently been tested in the solar system {1} to one part in one hundred thousand with the NASA Cassini experiments. It is therefore logical to extend general relativity to other areas of physics, notably classical electrodynamics, thereby developing a generally covariant unified field theory {2-18} for the natural, engineering and life sciences. In the standard model, classical electrodynamics is a theory of special relativity - the Maxwell Heaviside (MH) field theory {19}. The well known Coulomb law is part of the MH field theory and is usually regarded as one of the most precise laws in physics {19, 20}. The Coulomb law is the basis for the quantum theory of atomic and molecular spectra for example, and is used in many of the advanced computational techniques employed in this area of physics and chemistry. When the MH theory is extended from special to general relativity {2-18} with the Einstein Cartan Evans (ECE) theory, important new features develop in all the basic laws of classical electrodynamics, including the Coulomb law. These features emanate from the spin connection of ECE space-time. The Minkowski space-time of the MH theory is the well known flat space-time {19} of special relativity, but ECE space-time is characterized by the presence of both curvature and torsion {2-18}. In general relativity (ECE theory) the electromagnetic field is spinning space-time and the gravitational field is curving space-time. The spinning and curving may interact through standard Cartan geometry {21} and therefore the electromagnetic and gravitational fields may interact as verified experimentally in the well known bending of light by gravity. This phenomenon has been observed with great precision in the recent NASA Cassini experiments. ECE theory has been accepted {22} as the first classical explanation of this phenomenon {2-18}. The original well known inference of this effect by Einstein and others is based on a semi-classical approach, where the photon mass gravitates with the mass of the sun according to the Einstein

Hilbert (EH) field theory of gravitation published in 1916. A classical explanation was not possible prior to ECE theory because standard model electrodynamics is special relativity un-unified with gravitational general relativity. ECE theory {2-18} provides a relatively simple and practical unified field theory based on the fundamental and well known principle of general covariance {21}. Unification occurs on both classical and quantum levels, and so ECE theory has been accepted as unifying general relativity with quantum mechanics, a major aim of physics throughout the twentieth century.

In Section 2 the Coulomb law is developed within the context of ECE field theory using a simple model of the spin connection, which is assumed to have a $1 / r$ radial dependence, where (r, θ, ϕ) is the spherical polar coordinate system {23}. The result is that the Poisson equation is extended to a second order differential equation through which the scalar potential may be amplified at resonance according to well known mathematical principles {24}. This capacity for resonance is due to the presence of the spin connection of ECE space-time itself. Resonance of this type is not possible in a flat space-time, because in a flat space-time there is no spin connection. The latter indicates that the electromagnetic field is spinning space-time. The latter inference is indicated independently by several other phenomena {2-18}, notably the magnetization of matter by electromagnetic radiation (the inverse Faraday effect) and the presence of the ECE spin field (B(3) {25}) in all types of electromagnetic radiation. The inverse Faraday effect is magnetization due to the B(3) spin field. The latter originates {2-18} in the spin connection, which works its way into other observable phenomena throughout the whole of the natural, engineering and life sciences.

In Section 3 some graphical results are given from the resonant Coulomb law, and it is shown how this produces free electrons from the H atom by ionizing the latter with kinetic energy inputted from space-time at resonance. The H atom is used here as a simple model material. The release of free electrons at space-time resonance has been observed

recently {26} and shown to be a repeatable phenomenon. The material and circuit designs used in this series of experiments {26} are much more complicated than H, but the latter serves as a model to illustrate the theoretical principles at work - those of general relativity applied to classical electrodynamics with ECE theory.

2. THE ECE RESONANCE COULOMB LAW

The law is given {2-18} from the first Cartan structure equation:

$$T^a = d \wedge q^a + \omega^a_b \wedge q^b \quad - (1)$$

and the first Bianchi identity:

$$d \wedge T^a + \omega^a_b \wedge T^b = R^a_b \wedge q^b \quad - (2)$$

with the ECE Ansatz:

$$A^a = A^{(0)} q^a, \quad F^a = A^{(0)} T^a \quad - (3)$$

Here T^a is the torsion form, R^a_b is the Riemann or curvature form, q^a is the tetrad form, ω^a_b is the spin connection form, $A^{(0)}$ is the electromagnetic potential form, $cA^{(0)}$ is the primordial voltage, and F^a is the electromagnetic field form. The Ansatz was first proposed by Cartan in well known correspondence with Einstein in the first part of the twentieth century, but was not developed into ECE theory until the spring of 2003 {2-18}. Eqs. (1) to (3) lead to {2-18}:

$$\underline{E}^a = - \underline{\partial} A^a / \underline{\partial} t - \underline{\nabla} \phi^a - c \omega^{0a}_b \underline{A}^b + \phi^b \underline{\omega}^a_b, \quad - (4)$$

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{E}^a = c \mu_0 \underline{j}^{0a}, \quad - (5)$$

in vector notation. Here \underline{E}^a is the electric field strength (volts per meter), μ_0 is the vacuum

S.I. permeability, \tilde{J}^{oa} is the time-like component of the inhomogeneous four-current of ECE theory, c is the vacuum speed of light, \underline{A}^a is the vector potential, ϕ^b is the scalar potential, ω^{oa} is the time-like part of the spin connection four-vector, and $\underline{\omega}^a_b$ is the space-like part of the spin connection four-vector. The indices a and b originate in Cartan geometry {2-18, 21} and are the indices of the tangent space-time at a point P in the base manifold. These indices indicate polarization states of electromagnetic radiation in ECE theory {2-18}. Eq. (5) may be written for each index a as:

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{E} = \rho / \epsilon_0 \quad - (6)$$

where ρ is the charge density and where ϵ_0 is the S.I. vacuum permittivity. Therefore for each index a , Eq. (5) has the same mathematical structure as the standard model Coulomb law {19, 20}. However, the electric field in ECE theory must always be defined by Eq (4), which always involves the spin connection. The electric field is part of spinning space-time.

If attention is restricted to the scalar potential, then for each index a , Eq. (4) is:

$$\underline{E} = -\underline{\nabla} \phi + \phi^b \underline{\omega}_b \quad - (7)$$

Here ϕ^b is interpreted as a scalar quantity indexed or labeled by b , indicating that the scalar potential applies to this state of polarization of electromagnetic radiation. For a given b index, Eq. (7) is:

$$\underline{E} = -\underline{\nabla} \phi + \phi \underline{\omega} \quad - (8)$$

Summation over repeated b indices in Eq. (7) is implied (Einstein convention) but for the sake of simplicity it has been assumed in Eq. (8) that there is only one index and one state of polarization. Therefore we have reduced the complicated Eq. (4) to its simplest form

(8). The result is that the familiar definition of the electric field in the standard model

Coulomb law:

$$\underline{E} = -\underline{\nabla} \phi \quad - (9)$$

is supplemented by a term in the vector part of the spin connection, the vector $\underline{\omega}$. Eqs.

(6) and (8) give the second order differential equation:

$$\nabla^2 \phi - \underline{\nabla} \cdot (\phi \underline{\omega}) = -\rho / \epsilon_0 \quad - (10)$$

which compares with the standard model Poisson equation {19, 20}:

$$\nabla^2 \phi = -\rho / \epsilon_0 \quad - (11)$$

Eq. (10) is an equation of general relativity. Eq. (11) is an equation of special relativity.

The mathematical properties of Eq. (10) include the ability to give resonance, whereas Eq.

(11) has no resonance solutions. This is a key difference. Resonance is the key to the

production of free electrons from ECE space-time, providing a new source of electric power

for engineering.

The spin connection vector in Cartesian and spherical polar coordinates is:

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\omega} &= \omega_x \underline{i} + \omega_y \underline{j} + \omega_z \underline{k} \quad - (12) \\ &= \omega_r \underline{e}_r + \omega_\phi \underline{e}_\phi + \omega_\theta \underline{e}_\theta \end{aligned}$$

where ω_r is the radial component of $\underline{\omega}$. If the latter is assumed to be purely radial, for

simplicity of argument, then:

$$\underline{\omega} = \omega_r \underline{e}_r \quad - (13)$$

and in spherical polar coordinates {23}:

$$\underline{\omega} \cdot \underline{\nabla} \phi = \omega_r \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r}, \quad - (14)$$

$$\phi \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{\omega} = \frac{\phi}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r^2 \omega_r), \quad - (15)$$

$$\nabla^2 \phi = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \right) = \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \quad - (16)$$

The dimensions of $\underline{\omega}$ are inverse meters {2-18}, so the simplest model of the vector spin connection is:

$$\omega_r = \frac{A}{r} \quad - (17)$$

where A is a dimensionless scaling factor. Eqs. (13) to (17) give the result:

$$\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} + (2-A) \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} - \frac{A\phi}{r^2} = -\frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \quad - (18)$$

in spherical polar coordinates. Eq. (18) contains second and first order partial derivatives in the scalar potential ϕ . In the special case

$$A = 2 \quad - (19)$$

Eq. (18) becomes:

$$\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} - \frac{2\phi}{r^2} = -\frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \quad - (20)$$

in which the second term on the left hand side is a REPULSION term. This means that the familiar Coulomb attraction between a proton and an electron in an H atom develops a repulsive component due to the presence of the spin connection vector. Eq. (18) has a similar structure to the well known one-dimensional Schrödinger equation for motion in an

effective potential with repulsive centrifugal term {20} in the H atom. So the spin connection may be interpreted similarly. If the repulsion term in Eq. (20) becomes strong enough, the H atom ionizes, releasing a free electron. Eq. (18) is similar to the well-known {24} class of linear inhomogeneous differential equations that give resonance - the damped driven oscillator equations. Eq. (20) is a special case - the undamped driven oscillator. In order to induce resonance, the charge density ρ must be initially oscillatory {24}. In the H atom model we are considering the source of this small original oscillation may be considered to be zitterbewegung (jitterbugging) from quantum electrodynamics {20}. In a molecule it could be a rotational frequency or vibrational bond frequency. At space-time resonance the initially small oscillation is greatly amplified {2-18, 24} and kinetic energy is absorbed into the atom or molecule from ECE space-time. If this energy is greater than the ionization potential energy of H (13.6 eV) the electron breaks free of the proton and may be used in a circuit to produce electric power from space-time through the intermediacy of the H atom. This concept may be generalized to any material which contains electrons which are easily released by ionization. The skill in material design revolves around this need. The engineering skill consists in devising a design to induce the resonance and this has been accomplished recently in a repeatable manner {26}. The output power in such experiments {26} may exceed the input power by as much as a factor of one hundred thousand, an amplification that illustrates dramatically the resonance of the spin connection in classical electrodynamics. Care has been taken to ensure that this experiment is repeatable and the apparatus has been observed independently {26} in different laboratories. Every effort has been made to eliminate artifact, and reproducible amplification by five orders of magnitude is unlikely to be artifact. The standard model (MH theory) has no explanation for this phenomenon, even on a qualitative level. Its explanation in general relativity (ECE theory) relies on resonating the spin connection as described already.

In summary of this section therefore the Poisson equation of the standard model

(Eq. (11)) is modified in the simplest instance to the following ECE equation of general relativity:

$$\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} = \frac{2\phi}{r^2} - \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \quad (21)$$

introducing a repulsive term:

$$\rho_{\text{eff}} = 2\epsilon_0 \frac{\phi}{r^2} \quad (22)$$

If the charge density ρ is very small, Eq. (21) takes on the approximate mathematical form:

$$\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} \sim \frac{2\phi}{r^2} \quad (23)$$

which has an analytical solution:

$$\phi \sim \frac{\beta}{r} + \alpha r^2 \quad (24)$$

where α and β are constants. When r is very small, the potential ϕ becomes very large and a large amount of POSITIVE potential energy may be inputted into the H atom from the spin connection, depending on the value of β . If:

$$\beta \gg \frac{e}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \quad (25)$$

then the positive repulsion potential becomes equal to or greater than the negative attraction potential, releasing the electron from the proton. The standard model inverse square Coulomb law is very precise in the vast majority of experiments in macroscopic classical electrodynamics {19} but the recent experiments carried out in ref. (26) indicate that it does not hold in general.