

# VECTOR OPERATORS $\nabla$ , $\times$ , $\bullet$

**Vector:**

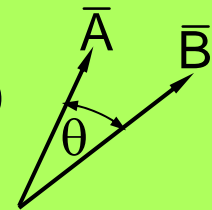
$$\bar{A} = \hat{x}A_x + \hat{y}A_y + \hat{z}A_z$$

**Vector Dot Product:**

$$\bar{A} \bullet \bar{B} = A_x B_x + A_y B_y + A_z B_z = |\bar{A}| |\bar{B}| \cos \theta$$

**Vector Cross Product:**

$$\bar{A} \times \bar{B} = \det \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ A_x & A_y & A_z \\ B_x & B_y & B_z \end{vmatrix} = |\bar{A}| |\bar{B}| \sin \theta$$



$$= \hat{x}(A_y B_z - A_z B_y) + \hat{y}(A_z B_x - A_x B_z) + \hat{z}(A_x B_y - A_y B_x)$$

**“Del” ( $\nabla$ ) Operator:**

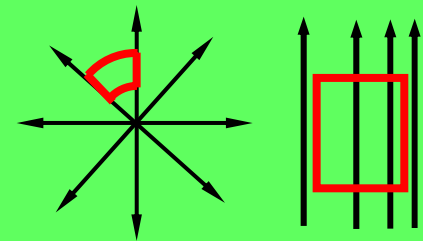
$$\nabla = \hat{x} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{y} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{z} \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$$

**Gradient of  $\phi$ :**

$$\nabla \phi = \hat{x} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} + \hat{y} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} + \hat{z} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z}$$

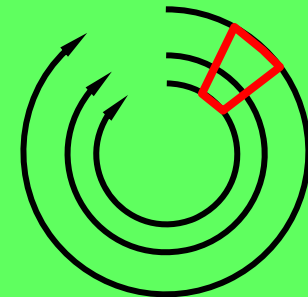
**Divergence of  $\bar{A}$ :**

$$\nabla \bullet \bar{A} = \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial z}$$



**“Curl of  $\bar{A}$ ”:**

$$\nabla \times \bar{A} = \det \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ \partial/\partial x & \partial/\partial y & \partial/\partial z \\ A_x & A_y & A_z \end{vmatrix}$$



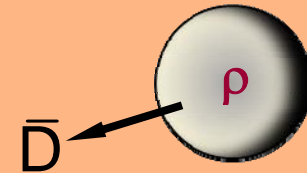
# PHYSICAL SIGNIFICANCE OF $\nabla \cdot$ , $\nabla \times$

$\nabla \cdot \bar{D}$  is the “divergence of the vector field  $\bar{D}$ ”

**Gauss’s divergence theorem:**  $\int_V (\nabla \cdot \bar{A}) dv = \oiint_S (\bar{A} \cdot \hat{n}) da$

**Gauss’s Law, Differential Form:**  $\nabla \cdot \bar{D} = \rho$

$$\int_V (\nabla \cdot \bar{D}) dv = \oiint_S (\bar{D} \cdot \hat{n}) da = \int_V \rho dv$$

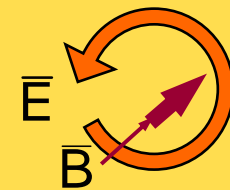


$\nabla \times \bar{E}$  is the “curl of the vector field  $\bar{E}$ ”

**Stokes’s theorem:**  $\oint_C \bar{E} \cdot d\bar{s} = \iint_A (\nabla \times \bar{E}) \cdot \hat{n} da$

**Faraday’s Law, Differential Form:**  $\nabla \times \bar{E} = -\frac{\partial \bar{B}}{\partial t}$

$$\oint_C \bar{E} \cdot d\bar{s} = \iint_A (\nabla \times \bar{E}) \cdot \hat{n} da = -\iint_A \frac{\partial \bar{B}}{\partial t} \cdot \hat{n} da = \oint_C \bar{E} \cdot d\bar{s}$$



# MAXWELL'S EQUATIONS

## Integral Form:

$$\oiint_S \bar{D} \cdot \hat{n} da = \iiint_V \rho dv$$

$$\bar{D} = \epsilon \bar{E}, \bar{B} = \mu \bar{H} \quad \oiint_S \bar{B} \cdot \hat{n} da = 0$$

$$\oint_C \bar{E} \cdot d\bar{s} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \iint_A \bar{B} \cdot \hat{n} da$$

$$\oint_C \bar{H} \cdot d\bar{s} = \iint_A \bar{J} \cdot \hat{n} da + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \iint_A \bar{D} \cdot \hat{n} da$$

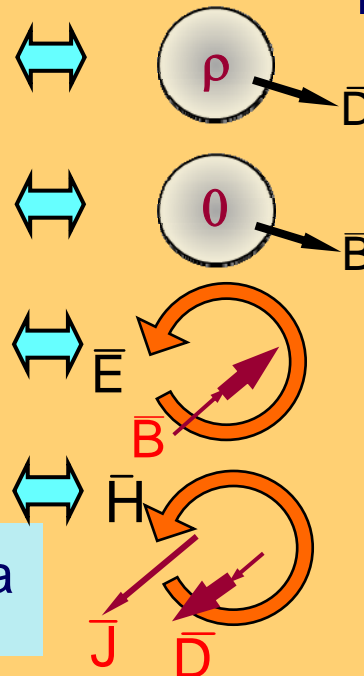
## Differential Form:

$$\nabla \cdot \bar{D} = \rho$$

$$\nabla \cdot \bar{B} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \bar{E} = -\frac{\partial \bar{B}}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \times \bar{H} = \bar{J} + \frac{\partial \bar{D}}{\partial t}$$



$\bar{E}$	Electric field	[volts/meter, $V m^{-1}$ ]
$\bar{H}$	Magnetic field	[amperes/meter, $A m^{-1}$ ]
$\bar{B}$	Magnetic flux density	[Tesla, T]
$\bar{D}$	Electric displacement	[ampere sec/m <sup>2</sup> , $A s m^{-2}$ ]
$\bar{J}$	Electric current density	[amperes/m <sup>2</sup> , $A m^{-2}$ ]
$\rho$	Electric charge density	[coulombs/m <sup>3</sup> , $C m^{-3}$ ]

# MAXWELL'S EQUATIONS: VACUUM SOLUTION

<b>Faraday's Law:</b>	$\nabla \times \bar{E} = -\frac{\partial \bar{B}}{\partial t}$	<b>Gauss's Law</b>	$\nabla \cdot \bar{D} = \rho$	<b>Constitutive Relations</b>	$\bar{D} = \epsilon_0 \bar{E}$
<b>Ampere's Law:</b>	$\nabla \times \bar{H} = \bar{J} + \frac{\partial \bar{D}}{\partial t}$		$\nabla \cdot \bar{B} = 0$		$\bar{B} = \mu_0 \bar{H}$

## EM Wave Equation:

Eliminate  $\bar{H}$ :  $\nabla \times (\nabla \times \bar{E}) = -\mu_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \times \bar{H})$

Use identity:  $\nabla \times (\nabla \times \bar{A}) = \nabla(\nabla \cdot \bar{A}) - \nabla^2 \bar{A}$

Yields:  $\nabla(\nabla \cdot \bar{E}) - \nabla^2 \bar{E} = -\mu_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \times \bar{H}) = -\mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \bar{E}}{\partial t^2}$

EM Wave Equation<sup>1</sup>  $\nabla^2 \bar{E} - \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \bar{E}}{\partial t^2} = 0$

**Second derivative in space**  $\propto$  **second derivative in time**,  
therefore solution is any  $f(r,t)$  with identical dependencies on  $r,t$

<sup>1</sup>**Laplacian Operator:**  $\nabla \cdot (\nabla \phi) = \nabla^2 \phi = \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right) \phi$

# WAVE EQUATION SOLUTION

Many are possible  $\Rightarrow$  Try Uniform Plane Wave (UPW),  $\neq f(x,y)$

**Example:** Try:  $E = \hat{y} E_y(z)$  in  $\nabla^2 \bar{E} - \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \bar{E}}{\partial t^2} = 0$

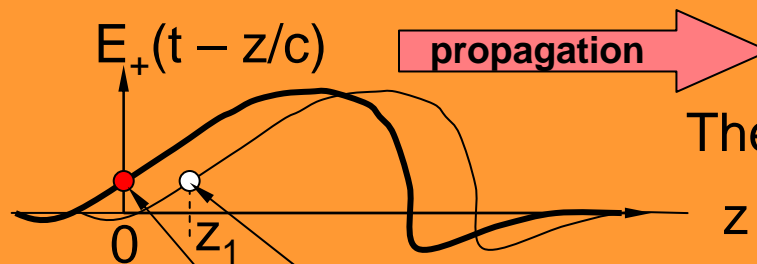
$$\Rightarrow \nabla^2 E_y = \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right) E_y$$

Yields:  $\frac{\partial^2 E_y}{\partial z^2} - \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 E_y}{\partial t^2} = 0$

Trial solution:  $E_y(z,t) = E_+(t - z/c)$ ;  $E_+(\text{arg}) = \text{arb. function of (arg)}$

Test solution:  $c^{-2} E_+''(t - z/c) - \mu_0 \epsilon_0 E_+''(t - z/c) = 0$  iff:

$$c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}} \approx 3 \times 10^8 \text{ [m s}^{-1}\text{] in vacuum (velocity of light)}$$



The position  $\bullet$  where  $\text{arg} = 0$  moves at velocity  $c$

$z = t = 0 \Rightarrow \text{arg} = 0$        $\text{arg} = 0$  at  $t_1 = z_1/c$

# UNIFORM PLANE WAVE IN Z-DIRECTION

**Example:**  $E_y(z,t) = \underbrace{E_+}_{\text{Func}}(\underbrace{t - z/c}_{\text{arg}})$  [V/m]  
 $\text{Func}(\text{arg}) = \text{Func}^*[(-c)(\text{arg})] = \text{Func}^*(z - ct)$

**E.G.:**  $E_y(z,t) = E_+ \cos[\omega(t - z/c)] = E_+ \cos(\omega t - kz)$ ,  
 where  $k = \omega/c = \omega\sqrt{\mu_0\epsilon_0}$

## To find magnetic fields:

Faraday's Law:  $\nabla \times \bar{E} = -\frac{\partial \bar{B}}{\partial t} \Rightarrow \bar{H} = -\int (\nabla \times \bar{E})\mu_0^{-1} dt$

$$\nabla \times \bar{E} = \det \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ \cancel{\partial/\partial x}_0 & \cancel{\partial/\partial y}_0 & \partial/\partial z \\ \cancel{E_x}_0 & E_y & \cancel{E_z}_0 \end{vmatrix} = -\hat{x} \partial E_+ \cos(\omega t - kz) / \partial z$$

$$= -\hat{x} k E_+ \sin(\omega t - kz)$$

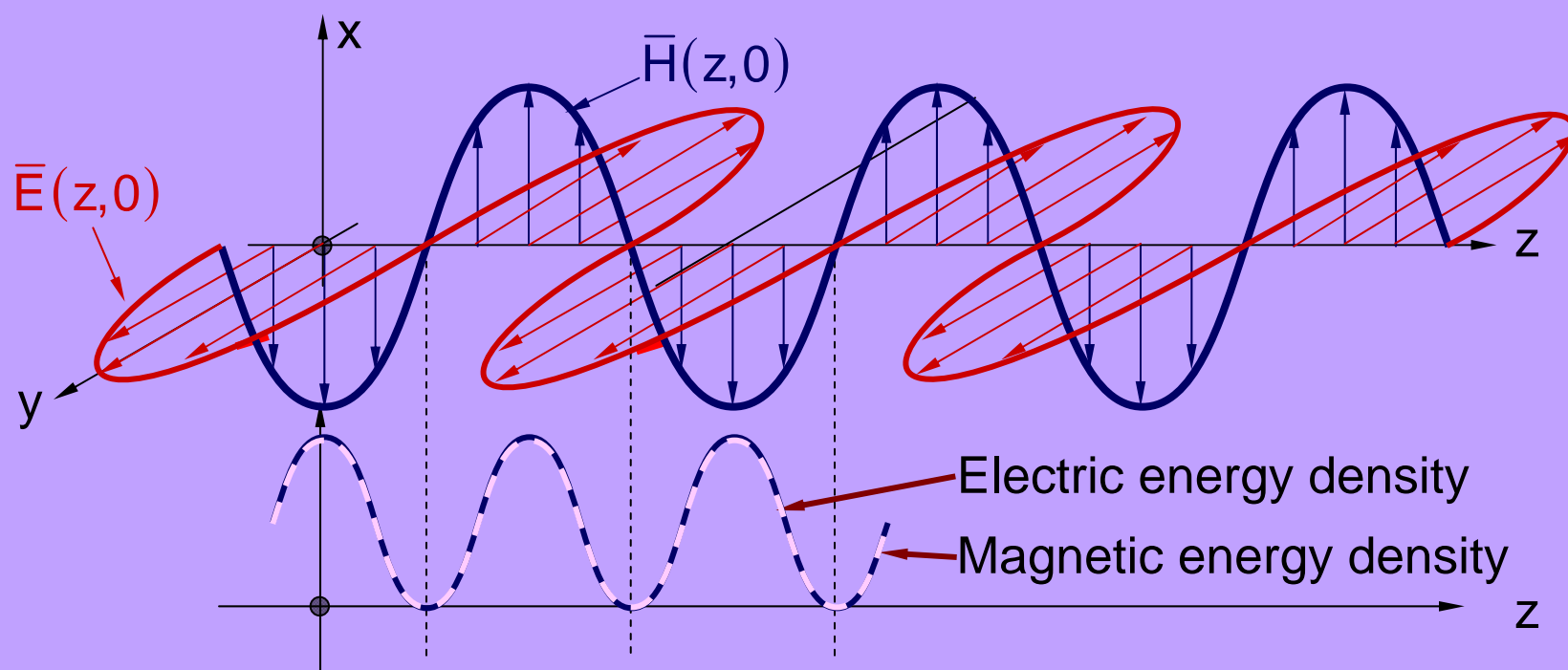
$$\bar{H} = \hat{x} \int (k/\mu_0) E_+ \sin(\omega t - kz) dt = -\hat{x} (E_+/\eta_0) \cos(\omega t - kz)$$

$$k = \omega\sqrt{\mu_0\epsilon_0}, \quad \eta_0 = \sqrt{\mu_0/\epsilon_0}$$

# UNIFORM PLANE WAVE: EM FIELDS

## EM Wave in z direction:

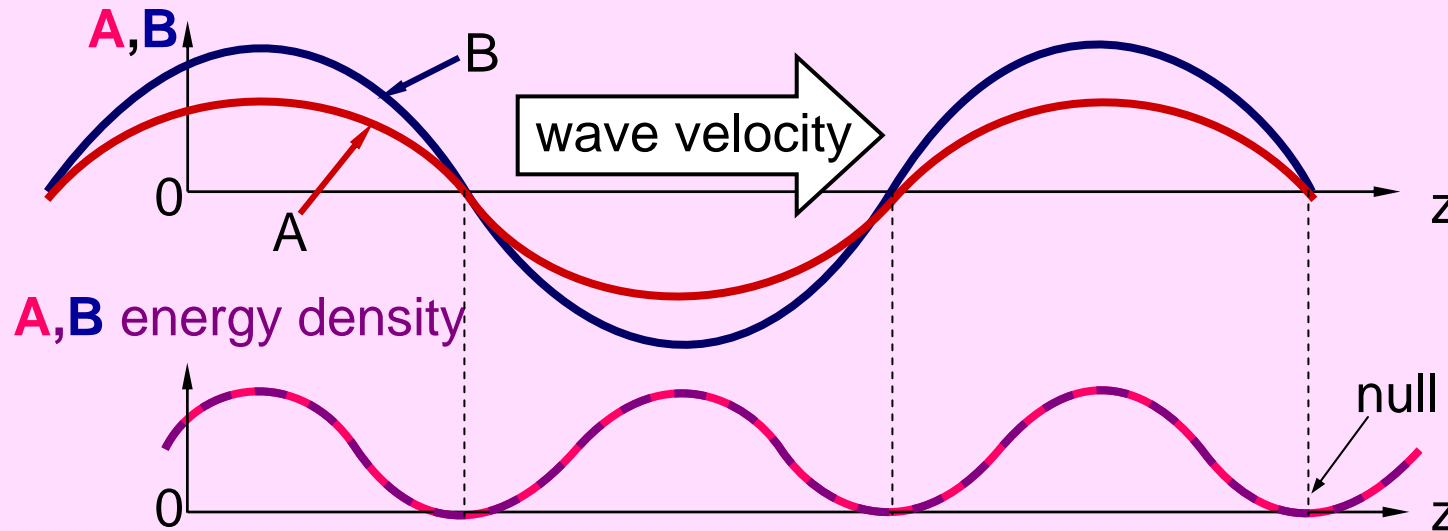
$$\bar{\mathbf{E}}(z,t) = \hat{y}E_+ \cos(\omega t - kz) , \quad \bar{\mathbf{H}}(z,t) = -\hat{x}(E_+/\eta_0) \cos(\omega t - kz)$$



**Linearity implies superposition of  $n \rightarrow \infty$  waves, all  $\theta, \phi$**

# ELECTROMAGNETIC AND OTHER WAVES

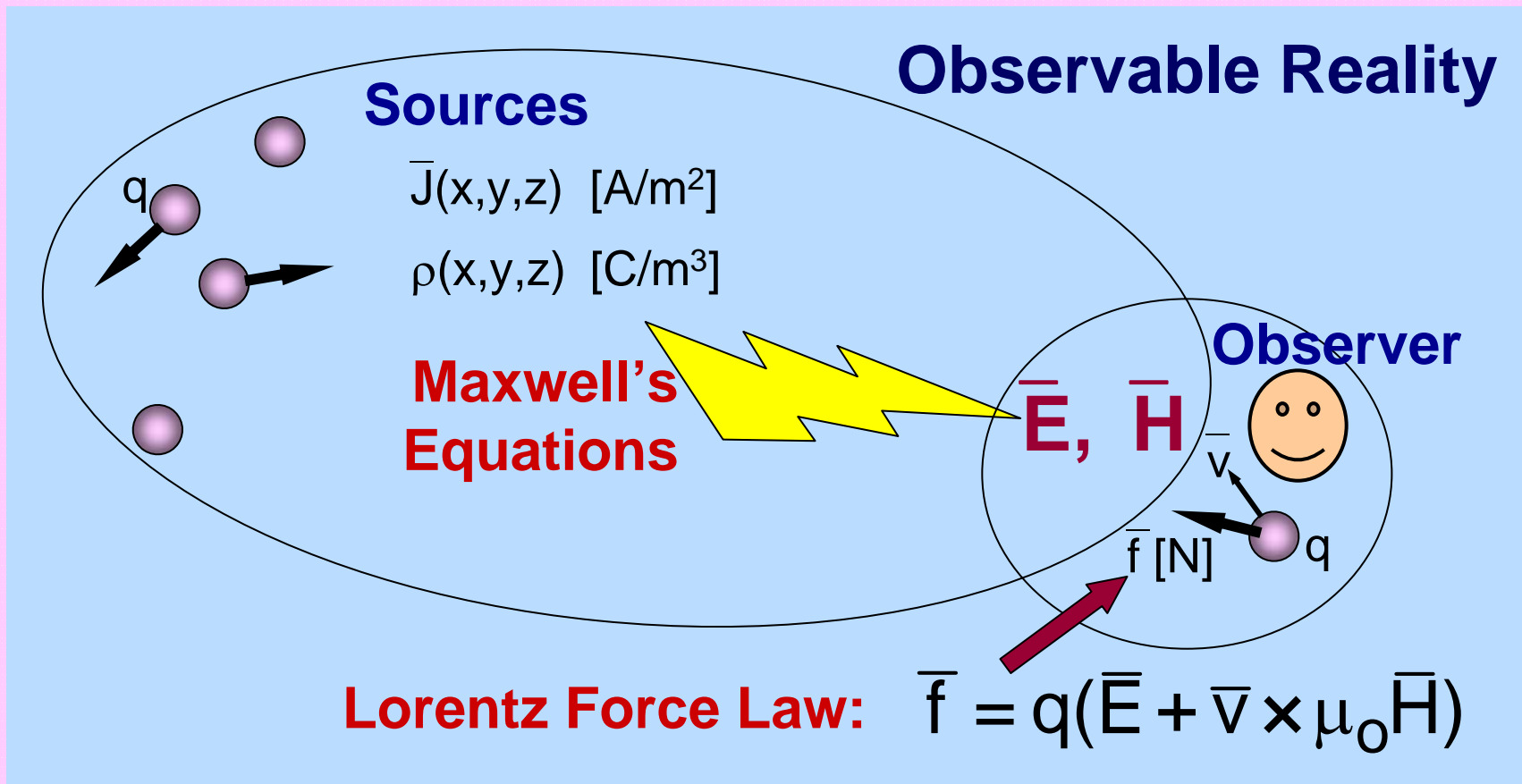
A “wave” is a fixed disturbance propagating through a medium



Medium	A	B	A energy	B energy
String	stretch	velocity	potential	kinetic
Acoustic	pressure	velocity	potential	kinetic
Ocean	height	velocity	potential	kinetic
Electromagnetic	<b>H</b>	<b>E</b>	magnetic	electric



# Role of Maxwell's Equations and Fields



The fields  $\bar{E}$ ,  $\bar{H}$  and the displacement and flux densities  $\bar{D}$ ,  $\bar{B}$  permit division of electromagnetics into the Maxwell and Lorentz equations

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