

ECE230: Fields & Waves (Lect. 2, Winter 2021)

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Gravitation vs. EM

- Case 1: Two point-masses (1 kg. each), separated by 1m
($F_{grav} = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2} \sim 10^{-11}$) [$G = 6.67408 \times 10^{-11} Nm^2 kg^{-2}$]
- Case 2: Let's replace the two point masses with point charges, 1 Coulomb each ($F_E = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2} \sim 10^{12}$) [$\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} F/m$]

$$\bullet \frac{F_E}{F_{grav}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 G} \sim \frac{10^{12}}{10^{-11}} = 10^{23}!!!$$

How fast does an electron move?

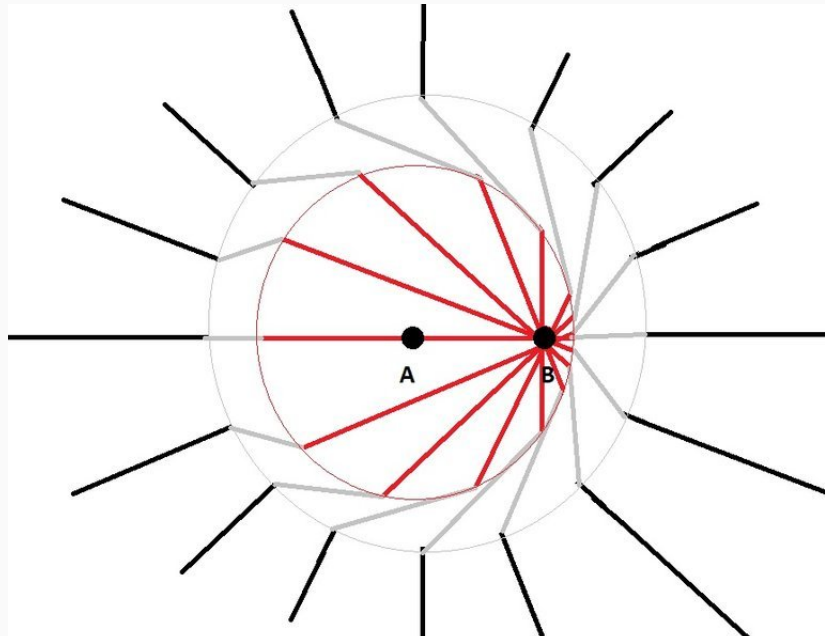
“Around the world in 80 days 7mins”?!

- What length-scale are you interested in?
- $\sim 10^5 m/s$
- Circumference of earth $40,000 km = 40 \times 10^6 m$
- The electron could circle the earth in less than *7 min.*

How fast does an electron (really) move?

- In a conductor: about few *mm* in 1s.
- So, just few meter in about 15 mins.

Making waves: accelerated charge



An electromagnetics lecture where we feel sad for KCL, KVL

- Let's consider a resistance connected to a AC source through a small piece of wire (assume that the distance between the resistor and the source is 30cm)
- How does the circuit behave at 50Hz ?
- How does the circuit behave at 10GHz ?
- Open circuit?

Fields

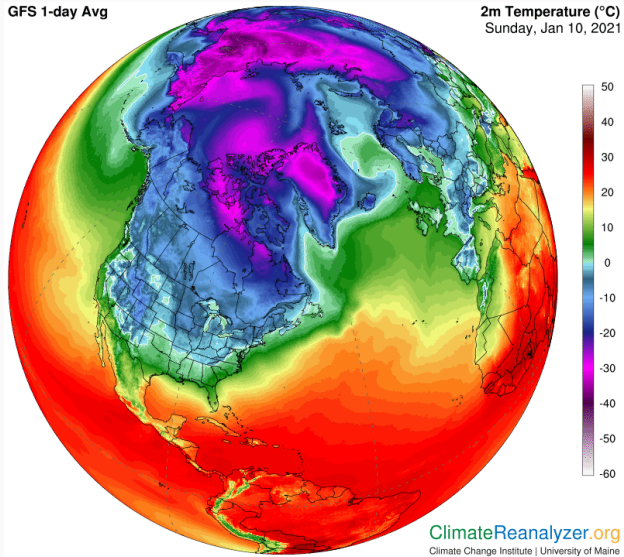


Figure 1: Scalar field

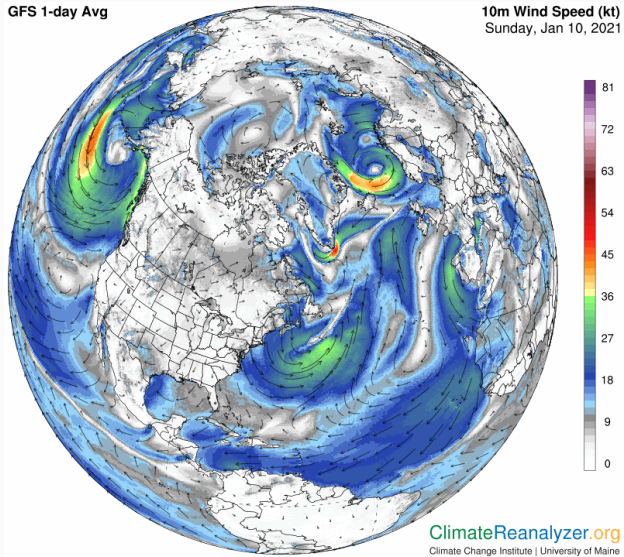


Figure 2: Vector field

Unified theory of electricity and magnetism: bit of a history

- 1785 : Charles-Augustin de Coulomb reports inverse square law for charges
- 1800 : Alessandro Volta invents battery
- 1820 : Hans Christian Ørsted shows deflection of compass needle brought in the proximity of a current carrying wire
- 1820 : Ampere shows two parallel current-carrying wire attracts/repel depending on the direction of the current
- 1831 : Michael Faraday discovers electromagnetic induction

Unified theory of electricity and magnetism: Maxwell's equations



Figure 3: James Clerk Maxwell (1831 – 1879)

Unified theory of electricity and magnetism: Maxwell's equations

$$\left. \begin{aligned}
 \text{PX} &+ (p+h)x + (k+l)y = \int A dt - \int D dt, \\
 \text{Q(X-Z)} &+ (h+q)x + (m+n)y = \int D dt - \int C dt, \\
 \text{RY} &+ (k+m)x + (r+o)y = \int A dt - \int E dt, \\
 \text{S(Y+Z)} &+ (l+n)x + (o+s)y = \int E dt - \int C dt, \\
 \text{GZ} &= \int D dt - \int E dt.
 \end{aligned} \right\} \dots \dots (24)$$

Solving these equations for Z, we find

$$\left. \begin{aligned}
 \text{Z} &\left\{ \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{Q} + \frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{S} + B \left(\frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{R} \right) \left(\frac{1}{Q} + \frac{1}{S} \right) + G \left(\frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{Q} \right) \left(\frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{S} \right) + \frac{BG}{PQRS} (P+Q+R+S) \right\} \\
 &= -F \frac{1}{PS} \left\{ \frac{p}{P} - \frac{q}{Q} - \frac{r}{R} + \frac{s}{S} + h \left(\frac{1}{P} - \frac{1}{Q} \right) + k \left(\frac{1}{R} - \frac{1}{P} \right) + l \left(\frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{Q} \right) - m \left(\frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{S} \right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + n \left(\frac{1}{Q} - \frac{1}{S} \right) + o \left(\frac{1}{S} - \frac{1}{R} \right) \right\}.
 \end{aligned} \right\} (25)$$

Figure 4: James Clerk Maxwell, A Dynamical Theory of the Electromagnetic Field, Royal Society Publishing (1865)

Oliver Heaviside: condensed form of Maxwell's equations (1885)

- $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$
- $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$
- $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$
- $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \left(\vec{J} + \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} \right)$

Questions so far?