

# Electrodynamics of media with time and space dispersion

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# Maxwell Equations

$$\nabla \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} + \frac{\rho_0}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\nabla \vec{B} = 0$$

$$[\nabla \times \vec{E}] = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \quad (3.1)$$

$$[\nabla \times \vec{B}] = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} + \mu_0 \vec{j} + \mu_0 \vec{j}_0$$

$\rho_0; \vec{j}_0 \rightarrow$  external field sources

$$c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_0 \mu_0}} = 299792458 \frac{m}{s}$$
$$\epsilon_0 = 8.854 \cdot 10^{-12} \frac{A s}{V m}$$
$$\mu_0 = 4\pi \cdot 10^{-7} \frac{V s}{A m}$$

$$\vec{F} = e(\vec{E} + [\vec{v} \times \vec{B}]) \quad (3.2)$$

# Maxwell Equations

$\nabla \cdot$   $\left[ \nabla \times \vec{B} \right] = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} + \mu_0 \vec{j} + \mu_0 \vec{j}_0$

$\nabla \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} + \frac{\rho_0}{\epsilon_0}$

$0 = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \vec{E} + \mu_0 \nabla \vec{j} + \mu_0 \nabla \vec{j}_0$

$c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_0 \mu_0}}$

$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\rho + \rho_0) + \nabla (\vec{j} + \vec{j}_0) = 0 \quad (3.3)$

Equation of continuity

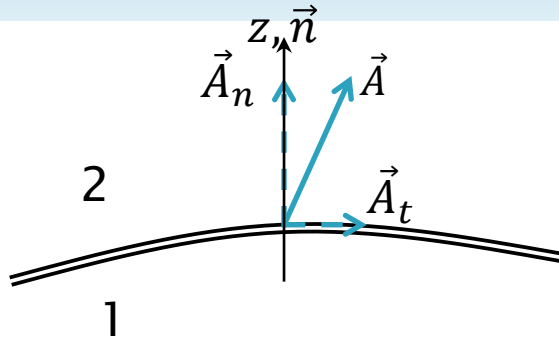
# Electric displacement field

$$\vec{D}(t, \vec{r}) = \epsilon_0 \vec{E}(t, \vec{r}) + \int_{-\infty}^t dt' \vec{j}(t', \vec{r}) \quad (3.4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot \vec{D} &= \rho_0 \\ \nabla \cdot \vec{B} &= 0 \\ [\nabla \times \vec{E}] &= -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \\ [\nabla \times \vec{B}] &= \frac{1}{c^2 \epsilon_0} \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} + \mu_0 \vec{j}_0 \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

$$??? \vec{D} \leftrightarrow \vec{E}$$

# Boundary conditions



$$\nabla \vec{B} = 0$$



$$\vec{B}_{2n} - \vec{B}_{1n} = 0$$

$$[\nabla \times \vec{E}] = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$$



$$\vec{E}_{2t} - \vec{E}_{1t} = 0$$

$$\nabla \vec{D} = \rho_0$$



$$\vec{D}_{2n} - \vec{D}_{1n} = \sigma_0 - \int_1^2 \nabla \left[ \vec{n} \times [\vec{D} \times \vec{n}] \right] dz$$

$= \sigma \rightarrow$  surface density of the induced charge

$$[\nabla \times \vec{B}] = \frac{1}{c^2 \epsilon_0} \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} + \mu_0 \vec{j}_0$$

$$\begin{aligned} [\vec{n} \times (\vec{B}_2 - \vec{B}_1)] &= \vec{B}_{2t} - \vec{B}_{1t} = \\ &= \frac{1}{c^2 \epsilon_0} \left( i_0 - \int_1^2 \vec{j} dz \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$i_0 = \int_1^2 \vec{j}_0 dz$$

surface current density

# Material Equations

$$??? \vec{D} \leftrightarrow \vec{E} \text{ or } \vec{j} \leftrightarrow \vec{E} ???$$

$$\text{In general case: } \vec{D}(t, \vec{r}) = \Phi(\vec{E}(t, \vec{r})); \vec{j}(t, \vec{r}) = \Psi(\vec{E}(t, \vec{r}))$$

Material equations for **linear** electrodynamics

$$D_i(t, \vec{r}) = \varepsilon_0 \int_{-\infty}^t dt_1 \int d\vec{r}_1 \hat{\varepsilon}_{ij}(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_1, t, t_1) E_j(\vec{r}_1, t_1)$$
$$j_i(t, \vec{r}) = \int_{-\infty}^t dt_1 \int d\vec{r}_1 \hat{\sigma}_{ij}(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_1, t, t_1) E_j(\vec{r}_1, t_1)$$

Influence functions

# Homogeneous Media

$$D_i(t, \vec{r}) = \epsilon_0 \int_{-\infty}^t dt_1 \int d\vec{r}_1 \hat{\epsilon}_{ij}(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_1, t, t_1) E_j(\vec{r}_1, t_1)$$
$$j_i(t, \vec{r}) = \int_{-\infty}^t dt_1 \int d\vec{r}_1 \hat{\sigma}_{ij}(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_1, t, t_1) E_j(\vec{r}_1, t_1)$$

Homogeneity in *t* and *space*

$$D_i(t, \vec{r}) = \epsilon_0 \int_{-\infty}^t dt_1 \int d\vec{r}_1 \hat{\epsilon}_{ij}(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_1, t - t_1) E_j(\vec{r}_1, t_1)$$
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# Fourier Transform

$$D_i(t, \vec{r}) = \epsilon_0 \int_{-\infty}^t dt_1 \int d\vec{r}_1 \hat{\epsilon}_{ij}(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_1, t - t_1) E_j(\vec{r}_1, t_1)$$
$$j_i(t, \vec{r}) = \int_{-\infty}^t dt_1 \int d\vec{r}_1 \hat{\sigma}_{ij}(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_1, t - t_1) E_j(\vec{r}_1, t_1)$$

$$\vec{E}(t, \vec{r}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \int d\vec{k} \vec{E}(\omega, \vec{k}) e^{-i\omega t + i\vec{k}\vec{r}}$$

$$\vec{\tilde{r}} = \vec{r} - \vec{r}_1$$

$$\tilde{t} = t - t_1$$

$$D_i(\omega, \vec{k}) = \epsilon_0 \int_0^{\infty} d\tilde{t} \int d\vec{\tilde{r}} \hat{\epsilon}_{ij}(\vec{\tilde{r}}, \tilde{t}) e^{i\omega\tilde{t} - i\vec{k}\vec{\tilde{r}}} E_j(\omega, \vec{k}) = \epsilon_0 \epsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) E_j(\omega, \vec{k})$$
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# Complex tensors $\varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k})$ and $\sigma_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k})$

$$D_i(\omega, \vec{k}) = \varepsilon_0 \int_0^{\infty} d\tilde{t} \int d\vec{\tilde{r}} \hat{\varepsilon}_{ij}(\vec{\tilde{r}}, \tilde{t}) e^{i\omega\tilde{t} - i\vec{k}\vec{\tilde{r}}} E_j(\omega, \vec{k}) = \varepsilon_0 \varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) E_j(\omega, \vec{k})$$

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Tensor of complex  
dielectric  
permittivity  
(dielectric tensor)

$$\varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) = \int_0^{\infty} d\tilde{t} \int d\vec{\tilde{r}} \hat{\varepsilon}_{ij}(\vec{\tilde{r}}, \tilde{t}) e^{i\omega\tilde{t} - i\vec{k}\vec{\tilde{r}}}$$

Tensor of complex  
conductivity

$$\sigma_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) = \int_0^{\infty} d\tilde{t} \int d\vec{\tilde{r}} \hat{\sigma}_{ij}(\vec{\tilde{r}}, \tilde{t}) e^{i\omega\tilde{t} - i\vec{k}\vec{\tilde{r}}}$$

$$\varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) \leftrightarrow \sigma_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k})$$

$$\vec{D}(t, \vec{r}) = \varepsilon_0 \vec{E}(t, \vec{r}) + \int_{-\infty}^t dt' \vec{j}(t', \vec{r}) \quad (3.4)$$

$$D_i(\omega, \vec{k}) = \varepsilon_0 \varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) E_j(\omega, \vec{k})$$

$$j_i(\omega, \vec{k}) = \sigma_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) E_j(\omega, \vec{k})$$

$$\vec{E}(t, \vec{r}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \int d\vec{k} \vec{E}(\omega, \vec{k}) e^{-i\omega t + i\vec{k}\vec{r}}$$

$$\varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) = \delta_{ij} + \frac{i}{\varepsilon_0 \omega} \sigma_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k})$$

1. unit tensor  $\delta_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
2.  $\omega \neq 0$

# $\varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k})$ of the Isotropic Medium

## M: Tensor Calculus

Rotational invariance of the second rank tensor  $\varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k})$



The second rank tensor  $\varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k})$  is a combination of  $\delta_{ij}$  and  $k_i k_j$

$$\varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) = \left( \delta_{ij} - \frac{k_i k_j}{k^2} \right) \varepsilon^{tr}(\omega, k) + \frac{k_i k_j}{k^2} \varepsilon^l(\omega, k)$$

Transverse  
dielectric  
permittivity

Longitudinal  
dielectric  
permittivity

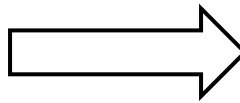
# $\sigma_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k})$ of the Isotropic Medium

The tensor of the complex conductivity  $\sigma_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k})$ :

$$\sigma_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) = \left( \delta_{ij} - \frac{k_i k_j}{k^2} \right) \sigma^{tr}(\omega, k) + \frac{k_i k_j}{k^2} \sigma^l(\omega, k)$$

$$k = |\vec{k}|$$

$$\varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) = \delta_{ij} + \frac{i}{\varepsilon_0 \omega} \sigma_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k})$$



$$\varepsilon^{tr,l}(\omega, k) = 1 + \frac{i}{\varepsilon_0 \omega} \sigma^{tr,l}(\omega, k)$$

# Properties of tensors $\varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k})$ and $\sigma_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k})$

$$\varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) = \int_0^{\infty} d\tilde{t} \int d\vec{\tilde{r}} \hat{\varepsilon}_{ij}(\vec{\tilde{r}}, \tilde{t}) e^{i\omega\tilde{t} - i\vec{k}\vec{\tilde{r}}}$$

$$\sigma_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) = \int_0^{\infty} d\tilde{t} \int d\vec{\tilde{r}} \hat{\sigma}_{ij}(\vec{\tilde{r}}, \tilde{t}) e^{i\omega\tilde{t} - i\vec{k}\vec{\tilde{r}}}$$

complex

Real

$$\varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) = \{\varepsilon_{ij}(-\omega, -\vec{k})\}^*$$

$$\text{Re} [\varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k})] = \text{Re} [\{\varepsilon_{ij}(-\omega, -\vec{k})\}^*]$$

$$\text{Im} [\varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k})] = -\text{Im} [\{\varepsilon_{ij}(-\omega, -\vec{k})\}^*]$$

“\*” means complex conjugation

NB: The same true for:

1. Conductivity tensor  $\sigma_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k})$
2. Isotropic medium  $\rightarrow \varepsilon^{tr,l}(\omega, k), \sigma^{tr,l}(\omega, k)$

# More properties of material tensors

Mirror reflection of the coordinate axes  
for the second rank (true=not pseudotensor) tensor  $\varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k})$



The second rank tensor  $\varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k})$  does not change the sign:

$$\varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) = \varepsilon_{ji}(\omega, -\vec{k})$$

If + external magnetic field  $\vec{B}_0$  (pseudovector):

$$\varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}, \vec{B}_0) = \varepsilon_{ji}(\omega, -\vec{k}, -\vec{B}_0)$$

# Electromagnetic waves in the medium

Dispersion equation  $\omega = \omega(\vec{k})$  for the medium (w/o external sources)

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \vec{D} &= 0 \\ \nabla \vec{B} &= 0 \\ [\nabla \times \vec{E}] &= -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \\ [\nabla \times \vec{B}] &= \frac{1}{c^2 \epsilon_0} \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} \end{aligned}$$

$$\propto \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \int d\vec{k} \vec{E}(\omega, \vec{k}) e^{-i\omega t + i\vec{k}\vec{r}}$$

$$D_i(\omega, \vec{k}) = \epsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) E_j(\omega, \vec{k})$$

$$\begin{aligned} k_i \epsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) E_j &= 0 \\ k_i B_i &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$[\vec{k} \times \vec{E}] = \omega \vec{B}$$

$$c^2 [\vec{k} \times \vec{B}] = -\omega \epsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) E_j$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{B} &= \frac{1}{\omega} [\vec{k} \times \vec{E}] \\ [\vec{k} \times \vec{B}] &= -\frac{\omega}{c^2} \epsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) E_j \end{aligned}$$

$$[\vec{k} \times [\vec{k} \times \vec{E}]] = -\frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \epsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) E_j$$

$$\vec{k}(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{E}) - \vec{E}(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{k}) = -\frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \epsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) E_j$$

$$\left\{ k^2 \delta_{ij} - k_i k_j - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \epsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) \right\} E_j = 0$$

# Electromagnetic waves in the medium

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Dispersion equation:

$$\Delta = \left| k^2 \delta_{ij} - k_i k_j - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) \right| = 0$$



# Electromagnetic waves in the **isotropic** medium

$$\left\{ k^2 \delta_{ij} - k_i k_j - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) \right\} E_j = 0$$

$$\Lambda = \left| k^2 \delta_{ij} - k_i k_j - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) \right| = 0$$

$$\varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k}) = \left( \delta_{ij} - \frac{k_i k_j}{k^2} \right) \varepsilon^{tr}(\omega, k) + \frac{k_i k_j}{k^2} \varepsilon^l(\omega, k)$$



$$\left\{ k^2 \delta_{ij} - k_i k_j - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \left[ \left( \delta_{ij} - \frac{k_i k_j}{k^2} \right) \varepsilon^{tr}(\omega, k) + \frac{k_i k_j}{k^2} \varepsilon^l(\omega, k) \right] \right\} E_j = 0$$



$$k^2 \vec{E}^{tr} - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} [\varepsilon^{tr}(\omega, k) \vec{E}^{tr} + \varepsilon^l(\omega, k) \vec{E}^{tr}] = 0$$

Longitudinal waves

Transverse waves

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon^l(\omega, k) &= 0 \\ \left[ k^2 - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \varepsilon^{tr}(\omega, k) \right]^2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

# Summary

## ▶ Maxwell Equations

- $\vec{D}$
- Boundary conditions

## ▶ Complex tensors $\varepsilon_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k})$ and $\sigma_{ij}(\omega, \vec{k})$

- Homogeneous medium
- Isotropic medium

## ▶ Electromagnetic waves in medium

- Isotropic medium:  $\varepsilon^l(\omega, k) = 0$ ;  $\left[ k^2 - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \varepsilon^{tr}(\omega, k) \right]^2 = 0$

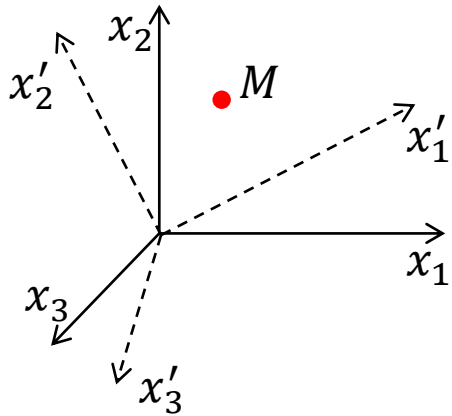
## ▶ Next:

- For any classical equilibrium medium

$$\mu(0, k) = \mathbf{1} \text{ (Bohr-Van-Leeuwen theorem)}$$

- Energy of electromagnetic waves in the medium

# M: Elements of Tensor Calculus



Coordinates of  $M$ :  $x_k = e_{kj}x'_j$ ,  $x'_k = e_{kj}^{-1}x_j = e_{jk}x_j$

$e_{ij}$  - cosine of the angles between axes

	$x'_1$	$x'_2$	$x'_3$
$x_1$	$e_{11}$	$e_{12}$	$e_{13}$
$x_2$	$e_{21}$	$e_{22}$	$e_{23}$
$x_3$	$e_{31}$	$e_{32}$	$e_{33}$

$$e_{ik}e_{jk} = e_{ki}e_{kj} = \delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } i = j, \\ 0 & \text{for } i \neq j. \end{cases}$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^3 e_{ik}e_{jk}$$

$e_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} e_{11} & e_{12} & e_{13} \\ e_{21} & e_{22} & e_{23} \\ e_{31} & e_{32} & e_{33} \end{pmatrix}$  Transformation matrix of an orthogonal affine transformation

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = a_i b_i = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_3$$

$$a_i b_i = a'_i b'_i$$

Invariant!  $\rightarrow$  vector (tensor) definition

$$\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, x_3) \quad a_i = (a_1, a_2, a_3) \quad F_1 = a_i x_i = \text{inv}$$

A second-rank tensor  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$   
 $\mathbf{y} = (y_1, y_2, y_3)$   $F_2 = d_{ij} x_i y_j = \text{inv}$

# M: Elements of Tensor Calculus

A second-rank tensor  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$   
 $\mathbf{y} = (y_1, y_2, y_3)$

$$F_2 = d_{ij}x_i y_j = \text{inv}$$

E.g.  $\delta_{ij}x_i y_j = x_j y_j = \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y} = \text{const.}$

the transformation law of second-rank tensors

$$d_{ij}x_i x_j = d'_{ij}x'_i y'_j = d'_{ij}e_{mi}x_m e_{nj}y_n = d'_{sk}e_{is}e_{jk}x_i y_j \quad d_{ks} = e_{ki}e_{sj}d'_{ij}$$

Analogously we obtain  $d'_{ks} = e_{ik}e_{js}d_{ij}$

Thus, a second-rank tensor is transformed like the outer product of two vectors  $a_i b_j$ . Therefore, one can define such a tensor as a set of nine quantities being transformed like the outer product of two vectors.

Tensors of higher rank are defined analogously. Thus, a third-rank tensor  $\beta_{ijk}$  is a set of 27 quantities, leaving the cubic form

$$F_3 = \beta_{ijk}x_i y_j z_k$$

# M: Elements of Tensor Calculus

**B.1.2** Compose the general second-rank tensor  $\varepsilon_{ij}$  with  $\varepsilon_{ij}(\mathbf{k}) = \varepsilon_{ji}(-\mathbf{k})$  for real  $k$ . For  $k \neq 0$  reduce  $\varepsilon_{ij}$  over the indices, i.e., take the sum  $\varepsilon_{ii}$ .

*Solution.*

$$\varepsilon_{ij}(\mathbf{k}) = \alpha_1 \delta_{ij} + \alpha_2 k_i k_j = \left( \delta_{ij} - \frac{k_i k_j}{k^2} \right) \varepsilon^{\text{tr}} + \frac{k_i k_j}{k^2} \varepsilon^{\text{lo}},$$

i.e.,

$$\alpha_1 = \varepsilon^{\text{tr}}, \quad \alpha_2 = \frac{\varepsilon^{\text{lo}} - \varepsilon^{\text{tr}}}{k^2}.$$

In the limit  $k \rightarrow 0$  we have  $\varepsilon_{ij}(0) = \alpha_1 \delta_{ij}$  and  $\varepsilon^{\text{lo}} = \varepsilon^{\text{tr}} = \varepsilon$ . For vanishing  $k$ ,  $\varepsilon_{ij}(0) = \varepsilon \delta_{ij}$  is the general second-rank tensor. The reduction over the indices reads

$$\varepsilon_{ij}(\mathbf{k}) = (3 - 1) \varepsilon^{\text{tr}} + \varepsilon^{\text{lo}} = 2 \varepsilon^{\text{tr}} + \varepsilon^{\text{lo}}, \quad \varepsilon_{ii}^{\text{lo}}(0) = 3 \varepsilon.$$

# M: Elements of Tensor Calculus

The components of a tensor can be both real and complex. Therefore, in general, we have to deal with complex tensors. Then, the concept of the Hermiticity of a tensor is important. A second-rank tensor is called Hermitian if (“\*” means complex conjugation)

$$\alpha_{ij}^{*H} = \alpha_{ji}^H$$

but if  $\alpha_{ij}^{*a} = -\alpha_{ji}^a$

the tensor is called anti-Hermitian. Any tensor can be decomposed into a Hermitian and an anti-Hermitian part.

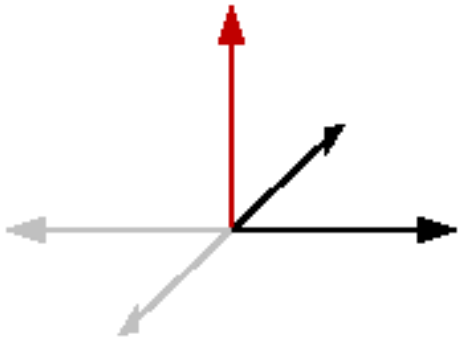
# M: Elements of Tensor Calculus

## True- and pseudo-tensors

...a pseudotensor is usually a quantity that transforms like a tensor under an orientation preserving coordinate transformation (e.g., a proper rotation), but **additionally** changes sign under an **orientation reversing coordinate** transformation (e.g., an improper rotation, which is a transformation that can be expressed as a proper rotation followed by reflection). (Wikipedia)

Pseudotensor by **orientation reversing coordinate** transformation:

- Even rank (0→scalar,2,..) → change the sign (-1)
- Odd rank (1→vector,3,..) → invariant (+1)



Under inversion the two vectors change sign, but their **cross product** is invariant [black are the two original vectors, grey are the inverted vectors, and red is their mutual cross product].

The completely antisymmetric third-rank unit tensor:

$$e_{ijk} \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if two of the indices } i, j, k \text{ coincide,} \\ 1 & \text{if the indices } i, j, k \text{ form a regular succession of the} \\ & \text{numbers } 1, 2, 3, \\ -1 & \text{if the indices } i, j, k \text{ form an irregular succession of} \\ & \text{the numbers } 1, 2, 3, \end{cases}$$

$$[\vec{a} \times \vec{b}]_i = e_{ijk} a_j b_k$$

# M: Elements of Tensor Calculus

## True- and pseudo-vectors and scalars:

[true vector  $\times$  true vector] = pseudovector

[pseudovector  $\times$  pseudovector] = pseudovector

[true vector  $\times$  pseudovector] = true vector

(true vector  $\cdot$  true vector) = true scalar

(true vector  $\cdot$  pseudovector) = pseudo scalar

(pseudovector  $\cdot$  pseudovector) = true scalar

## !Also operators:

e.g.:

$$(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \Phi) = \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \vec{r}} = \text{grad } \Phi$$

$$[\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{a}] = \text{curl } \vec{a}$$

E.g.:

- True scalars:  $t, \rho, \mathcal{E}(\vec{p}), \omega(\vec{k})$
- True vectors  $\vec{r}, \vec{p}, \vec{k}, \vec{D}, \vec{j}, \vec{v} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}(\vec{p})}{\partial \vec{p}}, \vec{v}_g = \frac{\partial \omega(\vec{k})}{\partial \vec{k}}$
- Pseudovector: ???