

FDITE212 Advanced classical electrodynamics

Description:

Advanced electrodynamics is a fascinating field that delves into the behavior of electric and magnetic fields, especially in complex scenarios.

It provides a deeper understanding of the forces and fields that are fundamental to both everyday technology and cutting-edge scientific research.

Some examples: Advanced knowledge of electrodynamics is crucial for modern technologies, including telecommunications, medical imaging (like MRI), and even understanding the universe through astrophysics.

Topics:

1. Electrostatics in Vacuum

Coulomb's law, Electric Field, Gauss's law, Poisson and Laplace Equations, Green theorem

2. Boundary value problems in electrostatics

Method of Images, point charge near grounded conducting sphere and near charged insulated conducting sphere, conducting sphere in uniform Electric-field, Green function for sphere, general solution for electrostatic Potential

3. Mathematical physics of electrostatics and special functions

Laplace Eqn in Spherical coordinates, Legendre Equation and Polynomials, problems with azimuthal symmetry, Associate Legendre functions and Spherical harmonics and their addition theory, Bessel Functions and solving electrostatic problems in cylindrical coordinates, Expansion of Green Function in Spherical Coordinates, Expansion of Green Function in cylindrical Coordinates

4. Multipoles and Dielectrics

Multipole expansion, expansion of the energy and charge distribution in external electrostatic field, Electrostatic of ponderable media, the dielectric problem, molecular polarizability, electric susceptibility and its Model, electrostatic energy in dielectric media

5. Magnetostatics, Faraday's law and Quasi-static Fields

Biot-Savart law, differential equations of magnetostatics and Amper's Law, Vector potential, Magnetic Fields of a localized current distribution, magnetic moment, Force and torque, Macroscopic Equations and boundary conditions, methods for solving magnetostatic problems, and boundary value problems, uniformly magnetized sphere, magnetic shielding, Faraday's law of induction, Energy in the magnetic field, self- and mutual- inductances, quasi-static magnetic fields

6. Maxwell Eqs and Macroscopic electromagnetism, conservation laws

Maxwell's displacement current, Maxwell Equations, Vector and scalar potentials, Gauge transformation, Lorenz Gauge, Coulomb Gauge, Green Functions for the wave equation,

Retarded solutions for the Fields, Derivation of the Equations of Macroscopic electromagnetism, Poynting Theorem and conservation of energy and momentum for particles in electromagnetic fields, Linear Dissipative Media with losses, harmonic Fields, Definitions of Impedance and Admittance, Transformation properties of electromagnetic fields

7. Thermodynamics of the Electric, magnetic and electromagnetic fields

Thermodynamic relations for dielectrics, total free energy of a dielectric, thermodynamic inequalities, thermoelectric phenomena, thermos-galvanic phenomena, thermoelectric relations in magnetic fields, total free energy of a magnetic substance

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