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EM Wave Equation from Maxwell's Equations :-

Maxwell's Equations :-

① $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$ → Gauss law of Electricity.

② $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$ → Gauss's law of magnetism

③ $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$ → Faraday's Law -

④ $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu \vec{J} + \mu \epsilon \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$ → Maxwell's modification of Ampere's circuital law.

From eqn (3) ⇒ variable magnetic field \vec{B} produce \vec{E} .

From eqn (4) ⇒ " electric " \vec{E} " \vec{B} .

Maxwell concluded that → (a) \vec{E} & \vec{B} mutually \perp^{th} to each other
i.e. $\vec{E} \perp \vec{B}$

(b) \vec{E} & \vec{B} propagate like wave.

(c) So \vec{E} & \vec{B} have amplitude, freq. & time period.

We know, wave eqn. $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2}$

Considering 3-D, wave eqn in general,
 $\boxed{\nabla^2 u = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2}} \quad \text{--- (13) ---}$

Maxwell's eqn.

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu \vec{J} + \mu \epsilon \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

$$\text{or, } \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu \left(\vec{J} + \epsilon \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} \right)$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}}{\mu} = \vec{J} + \frac{\partial (\epsilon \vec{E})}{\partial t}$$

$$\text{or, } \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H} = \vec{J} + \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} \quad \left[\because \vec{B} = \mu \vec{H} \text{ \& } \vec{D} = \epsilon \vec{E} \right]$$

Taking $\nabla \times$ on both sides,

$$\nabla \times \nabla \times \vec{H} = \nabla \times \left(\vec{J} + \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} \right)$$

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

$$= \nabla \times (\sigma \vec{E}) + \nabla \times \frac{\partial (\epsilon \vec{E})}{\partial t} \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \because \vec{J} = \sigma \vec{E} \\ \vec{D} = \epsilon \vec{E} \end{array} \right]$$

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{H}) = \sigma (\nabla \times \vec{E}) + \epsilon \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \times \vec{E})$$

$$\text{or, } \nabla (\nabla \cdot \vec{H}) - \nabla^2 \vec{H} = \sigma (\nabla \times \vec{E}) + \epsilon \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \times \vec{E})$$

$$= \sigma \left(-\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \right) + \epsilon \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(-\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \right)$$

$$\boxed{\nabla (\nabla \cdot \vec{H}) - \nabla^2 \vec{H} = -\sigma \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} - \epsilon \frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}}{\partial t^2}} \quad (14)$$

$$\text{Now, } \nabla \cdot \vec{H} = \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{\vec{B}}{\mu} \right) = \frac{1}{\mu} (\nabla \cdot \vec{B}) = \frac{1}{\mu} \times 0 \quad \left[\because \nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \right]$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\nabla \cdot \vec{H} = 0}$$

\therefore eqn (14) becomes \Rightarrow

$$-\nabla^2 \vec{H} = -\sigma \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} - \epsilon \frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}}{\partial t^2}$$

$$\text{or, } \nabla^2 \vec{H} = \sigma \mu \frac{\partial \vec{H}}{\partial t} + \mu \epsilon \frac{\partial^2 \vec{H}}{\partial t^2} \quad \left[\because \vec{B} = \mu \vec{H} \right]$$

$$\text{or, } \boxed{\nabla^2 \vec{H} = \sigma \mu \frac{\partial \vec{H}}{\partial t} + \mu \epsilon \frac{\partial^2 \vec{H}}{\partial t^2}} \quad (15)$$

eqn (15) is the EM wave eqn for \vec{H} .

$$\text{Similarly, we get, } \boxed{\nabla^2 \vec{E} = \sigma \mu \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} + \mu \epsilon \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2}} \quad (16)$$

eqn (16) is the EM wave eqn for \vec{E} .

For Non-conducting medium, $\sigma = 0$,

$$\text{then eqn (15)} \rightarrow \nabla^2 \vec{H} = \mu \epsilon \frac{\partial^2 \vec{H}}{\partial t^2} = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{H}}{\partial t^2} \quad (17)$$

$$\& \text{ eqn (16)} \rightarrow \nabla^2 \vec{E} = \mu \epsilon \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2} = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2} \quad (18)$$

where $\mu \epsilon = \frac{1}{v^2}$

$$\text{or, } \boxed{v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu \epsilon}}} \quad (19)$$

eqn (17) & (18) are similar to eqn (19)