

# Displacement Current and EM waves

Lecture 28 (the last!)

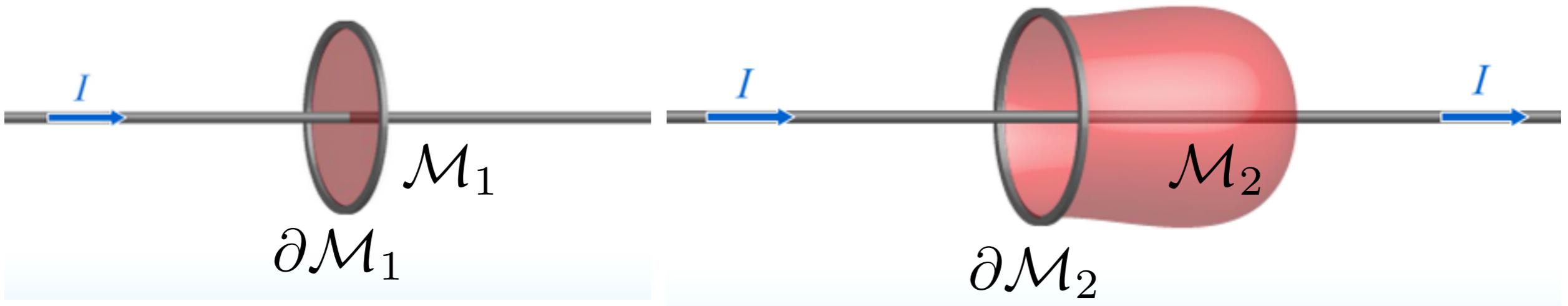
# Announcements

- Final Class!
- Final is Monday, March 16, 2015. 2:30-4:20 p.m.  
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# A problem with the Ampère Law...

- RHS of the Ampère Law is equal for surfaces with the same boundary!

$$\partial\mathcal{M} \equiv \partial\mathcal{M}_1 = \partial\mathcal{M}_2$$

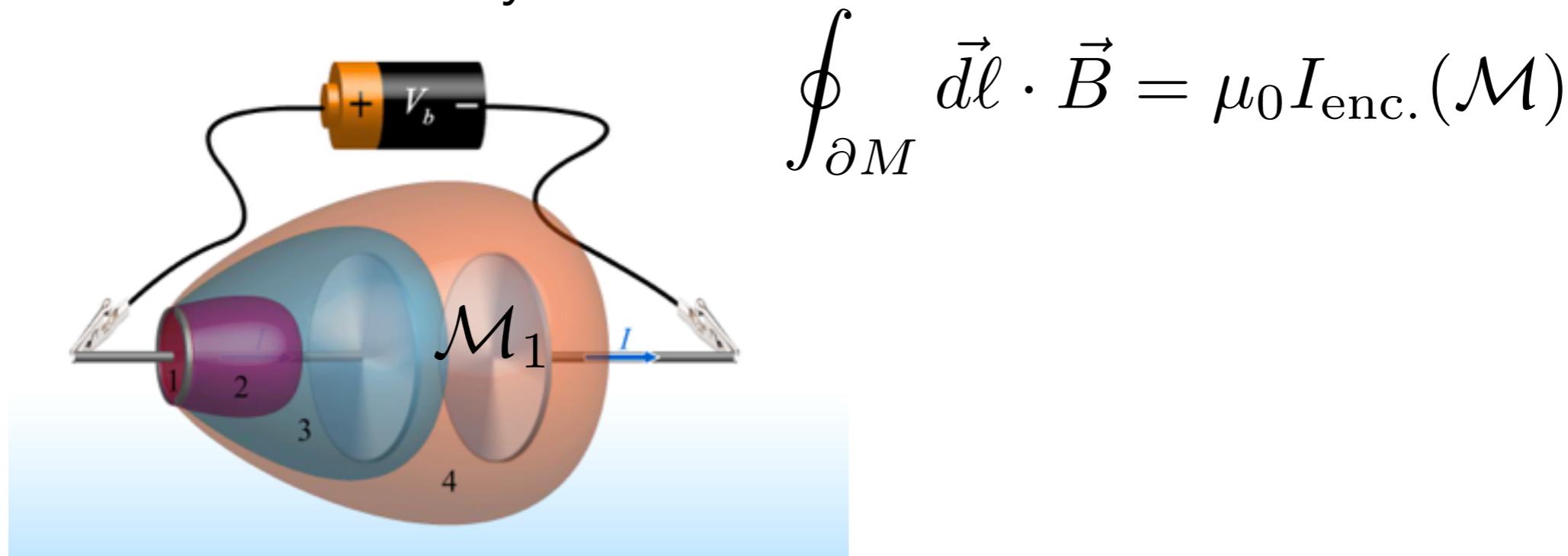


$$\oint_{\partial M} d\vec{\ell} \cdot \vec{B} = \mu_0 I_{\text{enc.}}(\mathcal{M})$$

- No problems here!

# A problem with the Ampère Law...

- RHS of the Ampère Law is equal for surfaces with the same boundary!



- “Houston, we have a problem!”
- Steady state is fine but time dependent Q is a problem!

# Similar problem with the Faraday Law:

- Time independent equation ( $\mathbf{E}$  is conservative):

$$\oint_{\partial M} \vec{d}\ell \cdot \vec{E} = 0$$

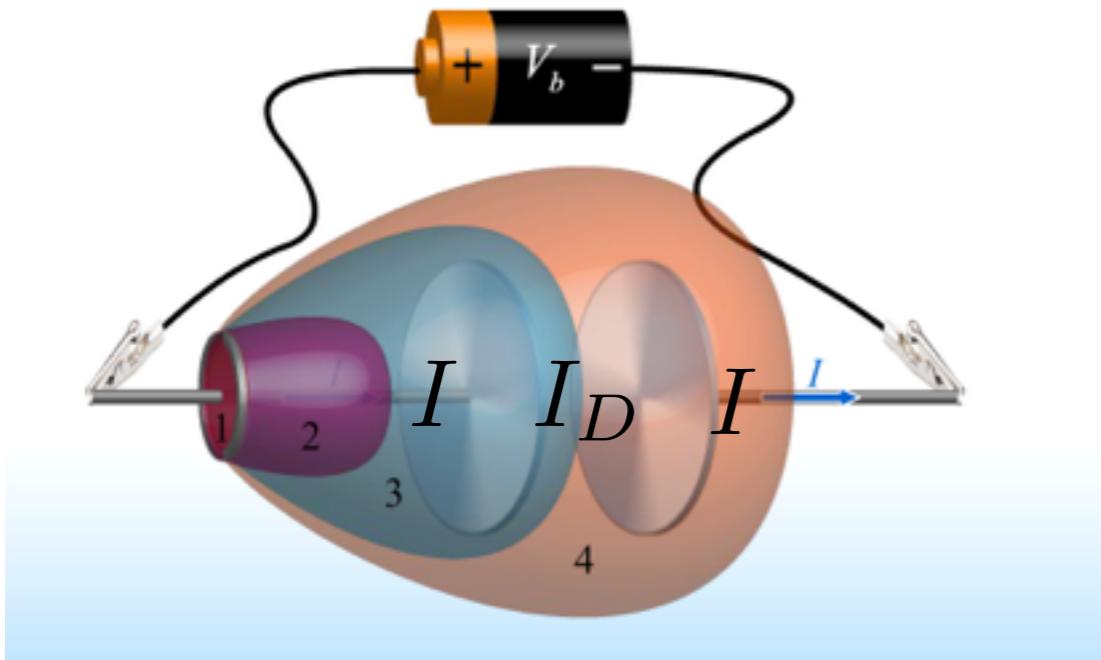
- Faraday-Maxwell Equation:

$$\oint_{\partial M} \vec{d}\ell \cdot \vec{E} = - \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^2 A \ \hat{n} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{B}$$

- Symmetry Ampère-Maxwell Equation?

$$\oint_{\partial M} \vec{d}\ell \cdot \vec{B} = \mu_0 I_{\text{enc}} + C_0 \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^2 A \ \hat{n} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{E}$$

# Consider the capacitor: Displacement Current



$$Q = CV = \frac{A\epsilon_0}{\ell} \ell E$$

$$I_D \equiv \frac{dQ}{dt} = A\epsilon_0 \hat{n} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

$$I_D = I$$

- Ampère-Maxwell Equation:

$$\oint_{\partial M} \vec{dl} \cdot \vec{B} = \mu_0 I_{\text{enc}} + \epsilon_0 \mu_0 \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^2 A \ \hat{n} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{E}$$

# Electrodynamics & the Maxwell Equations

- Gauss Law (E): 
$$\oint_{\mathcal{M}} d^2A \hat{n} \cdot \vec{E} = Q_{\text{inside}}/\epsilon_0$$
- Gauss Law (B): 
$$\oint_{\mathcal{M}} d^2A \hat{n} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$$
- Ampère Law: 
$$\oint_{\partial\mathcal{M}} \vec{d}\ell \cdot \vec{B} = \mu_0 I + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^2A \hat{n} \cdot \vec{E}$$
- Faraday Law: 
$$\oint_{\partial\mathcal{M}} \vec{d}\ell \cdot \vec{E} = - \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^2A \hat{n} \cdot \vec{B}$$

# Ampère-Maxwell Law: More than meets the eye!

- In vacuum:

Source

$$\boxed{\oint_{\partial M} \vec{d}\ell \cdot \vec{B}} = \epsilon_0 \mu_0 \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^2 A \hat{n} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{E}$$
$$\oint_{\partial M} \vec{d}\ell \cdot \vec{E} = - \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^2 A \hat{n} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{B}$$

- Coupling between time-dependent equations could lead to propagation of perturbations in the fields!
- Waves!

# Remember... (review?)

1-D Wave Equation

$$\frac{d^2h}{dx^2} = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{d^2h}{dt^2}$$



Solution

$$h(x,t) = h_1(x-vt) + h_2(x+vt)$$

$$h_2(x+vt)$$



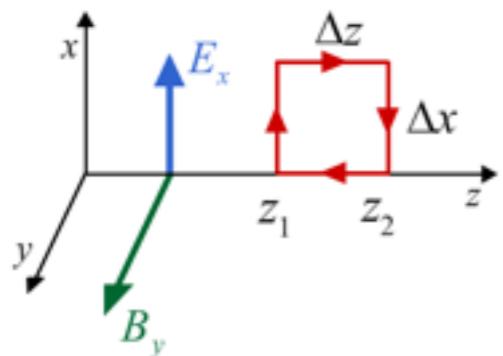
# Do Maxwell Eqn's lead to a wave equation?

Faraday's Law

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = -\frac{d}{dt} \int \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{A}$$

Plane Wave Solution

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{E} &\rightarrow \vec{E}(z, t) \\ \vec{B} &\rightarrow \vec{B}(z, t)\end{aligned}$$



$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = -\frac{d}{dt} (-B_y \Delta x \Delta z)$$

$$[E_x(z_1) - E_x(z_2)] \Delta x = \frac{d}{dt} (B_y \Delta x \Delta z)$$

$$\frac{\partial E_x}{\partial z} \Delta z \Delta x = -\frac{d}{dt} (B_y \Delta x \Delta z)$$

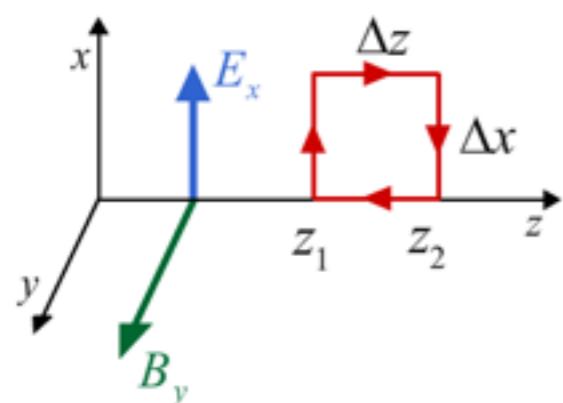
$$\frac{\partial E_x}{\partial z} = -\frac{\partial B_y}{\partial t}$$

- Consider a very small loop..
- Keep only the lowest order terms...
- Identical derivation for Ampère Law

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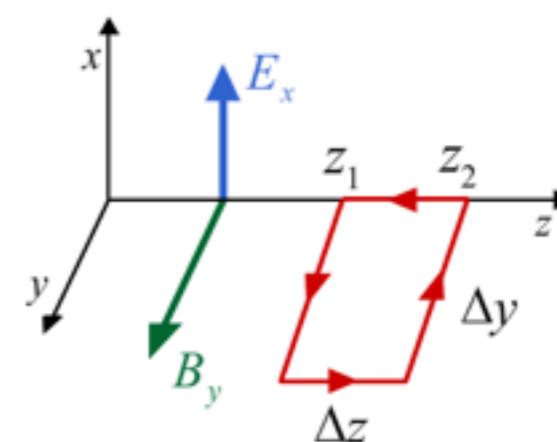


Plane Wave Solution

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**Modified Ampere's Law**

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_o \epsilon_o \frac{d}{dt} \int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A}$$



$$\frac{\partial E_x}{\partial z} = -\frac{\partial B_y}{\partial t}$$

$$\frac{\partial B_y}{\partial z} = -\mu_o \epsilon_o \frac{\partial E_x}{\partial t}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 E_x}{\partial z^2} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \frac{\partial B_y}{\partial t}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{\partial B_y}{\partial z} = -\mu_o \epsilon_o \frac{\partial^2 E_x}{\partial t^2}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial^2 E_x}{\partial z^2} = \mu_o \epsilon_o \frac{\partial^2 E_x}{\partial t^2}}$$

# Maxwell Equation to describe a wave eqn!

- Wave equation for EM waves:

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \vec{E} = \epsilon_0 \mu_0 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \vec{E}$$

- Identify the propagation speed of the wave:

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} h = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} h$$

- The speed of the wave matches the speed of light!

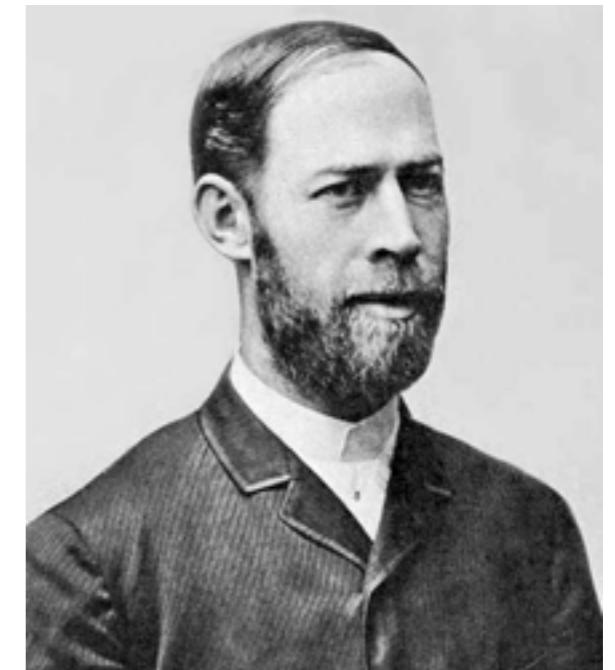
$$v = c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_0 \mu_0}} \approx 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

# Faraday's Hypothesis:

- Light is an electromagnetic wave!
- Unified theories of Electricity, Magnetism and Light!

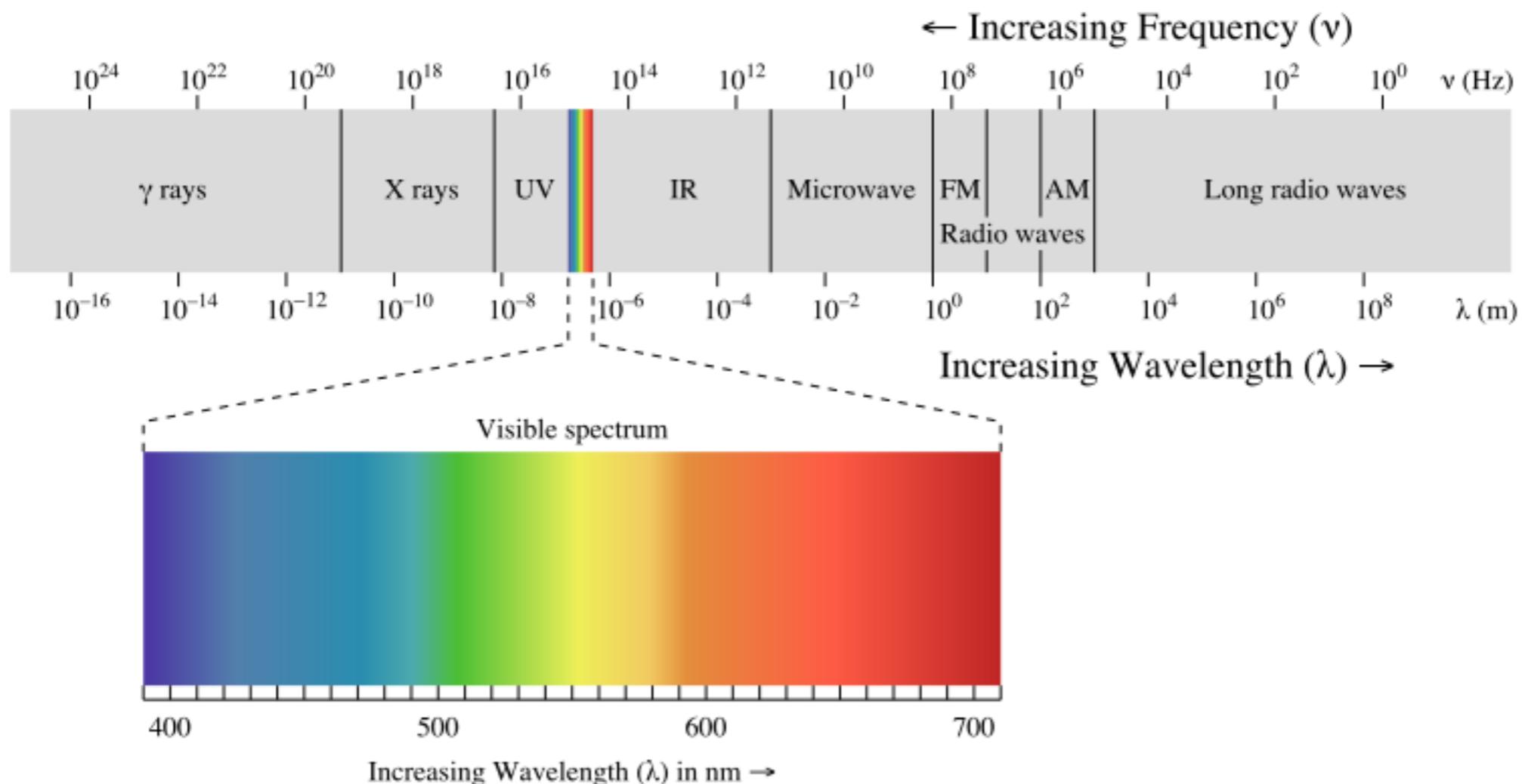


Michael Faraday   James Clerk Maxwell  
(Proposal)      (Theoretical Motivation)



Heinrich Hertz  
(Experiment)

# Light is not the only type of EM wave!



# Demo on EM waves

# More features of EM waves

- Wave equation:

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \vec{E} = \epsilon_0 \mu_0 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \vec{E}$$

- Plug in sinusoidal solution

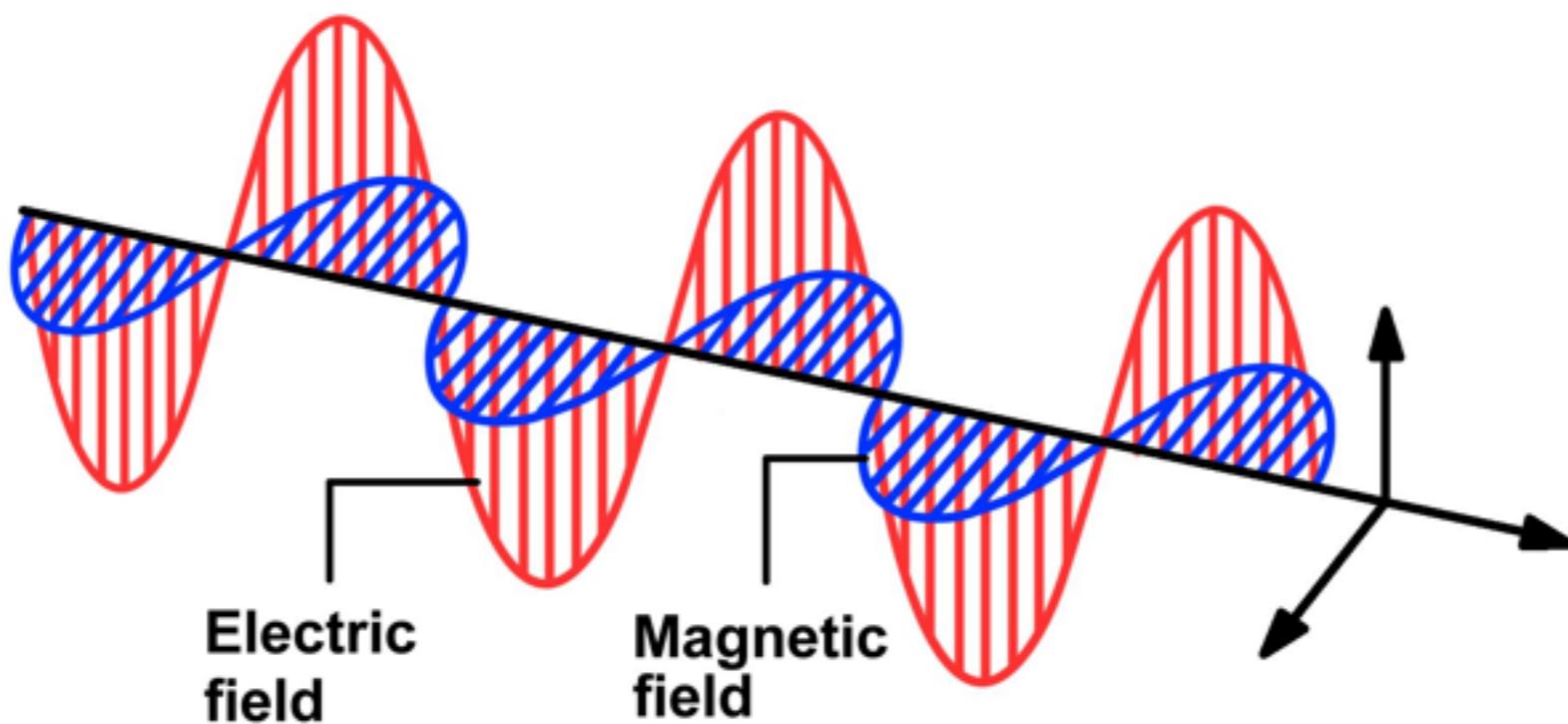
$$E = E_0 \sin(kz - \omega t)$$

- Dispersion relation:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{wave number: } k &= \omega/c & \lambda &= 2\pi/k \\ \lambda\nu &= c \end{aligned}$$

# More features of EM waves

- Plane wave solution:



**Example: A Harmonic Solution**

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$$E_x = E_o \cos(kz - \omega t) \quad \xrightarrow{\frac{\partial E_x}{\partial z} = -\frac{\partial B_y}{\partial t}} \quad B_y = \frac{k}{\omega} E_o \cos(kz - \omega t)$$