

314(3): Development of the Fermi Identity

From previous notes the first Fermi identity is:

$$F_{\mu a}^b \bar{F}^{a\mu} = 0 \quad - (1)$$

where

$$F_{\mu a}^b = F_{\mu\nu}^b \eta^{\nu a} \quad - (2)$$

so

$$F_{\mu\nu}^b = \eta^{\nu a} F_{\mu a}^b \quad - (3)$$

i.e.

$$\boxed{F_{\mu\nu}^b = A^{\nu a} T_{\mu a}^b} \quad - (4)$$

which is a new structure equation of differential geometry, i.e.:

$$\boxed{T_{\mu\nu}^b = \eta^{\nu a} T_{\mu a}^b} \quad - (5)$$

a relation between the torsion and tetrad. Eq. (5) is therefore equivalent to the first Cartan structure equation:

$$T = D \wedge \eta \quad - (6)$$

The torsion valued one form $T_{\mu a}^b$ plays the role of the covariant wedge derivative $D \wedge$.

From previous notes eq. (1) gives:

$$\underline{E}^b \cdot \underline{D}^a + \underline{D}^b \cdot \underline{E}^a = 0 \quad - (7)$$

and also:

2)

$$\underline{F}^b_a \cdot \underline{B}^a = -a \quad - (8)$$

$$c \underline{F}^b_{0a} \underline{B}^a = \underline{F}^b_a \times \underline{E}^a \quad - (9)$$

For $b = (1)$, eq. (8) is:

$$\underline{F}^{(1)}_{(2)} \cdot \underline{B}^{(2)} + \underline{F}^{(1)}_{(1)} \cdot \underline{B}^{(1)} = 0 \quad - (10)$$

and for $b = (2)$, eq. (8) is:

$$\underline{F}^{(2)}_{(1)} \cdot \underline{B}^{(1)} + \underline{F}^{(2)}_{(2)} \cdot \underline{B}^{(2)} = 0 \quad - (11)$$

Using these polarizations eq. (7) becomes:

$$\underline{E}^{(1)} \cdot \underline{B}^{(2)} + \underline{E}^{(2)} \cdot \underline{B}^{(1)} = 0 \quad - (12)$$

Therefore:

$$\underline{E}^{(1)} = \underline{F}^{(2)}_{(2)} = \underline{F}^{(1)}_{(2)} \quad - (13)$$

$$\underline{E}^{(2)} = \underline{F}^{(2)}_{(1)} = \underline{F}^{(1)}_{(1)} \quad - (14)$$

and

Eq. (9) is:

$$c \left(\underline{F}^b_{0(1)} \underline{B}^{(1)} + \underline{F}^b_{0(2)} \underline{B}^{(2)} \right) = \underline{F}^b_{(1)} \times \underline{E}^{(1)} + \underline{F}^b_{(2)} \times \underline{E}^{(2)} \quad - (15)$$

If:
then

$$b = (2) \quad - (16)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 c \left(F_{o(1)}^{(2)} \underline{B}^{(1)} + F_{o(2)}^{(2)} \underline{B}^{(2)} \right) &= \underline{F}^{(2)}_{(1)} \times \underline{E}^{(1)} + \underline{F}^{(2)}_{(2)} \times \underline{E}^{(2)} \\
 &= \underline{E}^{(2)} \times \underline{E}^{(1)} + \underline{E}^{(1)} \times \underline{E}^{(2)} \\
 &= \underline{0}
 \end{aligned} \quad - (16)$$

So:

$$\boxed{F_{o(1)}^{(2)} \underline{B}^{(1)} + F_{o(2)}^{(2)} \underline{B}^{(2)} = \underline{0}} \quad - (17)$$

If

$$b = (1) \quad - (18)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 c \left(F_{o(1)}^{(1)} \underline{B}^{(1)} + F_{o(2)}^{(1)} \underline{B}^{(2)} \right) &= \left(\underline{F}^{(1)}_{(1)} \times \underline{E}^{(1)} + \underline{F}^{(1)}_{(2)} \times \underline{E}^{(2)} \right) \\
 &= \underline{E}^{(2)} \times \underline{E}^{(1)} + \underline{E}^{(1)} \times \underline{E}^{(2)} \\
 &= \underline{0}
 \end{aligned} \quad - (19)$$

$$\text{So } \boxed{F_{o(1)}^{(1)} \underline{B}^{(1)} + F_{o(2)}^{(1)} \underline{B}^{(2)} = \underline{0}} \quad - (20)$$

The units of the time like $F_{o(1)}^{(2)}$ etc. are those of electric field strength \underline{E} .

Another possible solution is:

$$\underline{E}^{(1)} \times \underline{E}^{(2)} = c F_{o(2)}^{(1)} \underline{B}^{(2)} \quad - (21)$$

but this contradicts the fact that:

$$4) \quad \underline{E}^{(1)} \times \underline{E}^{(2)} = -ic^2 \underline{B}^{(0)} \underline{B}^{(3)*} \quad - (22)$$

Therefore eqs. (17) and (20) are the only possible solutions.

One possibility is that:

$$\underline{F}^{(2)}_{0(1)} = \underline{F}^{(2)}_{0(2)} = \underline{F}^{(1)}_{0(1)} = \underline{F}^{(1)}_{0(2)} = 0 \quad - (23)$$

So eq. (9) reduces to:

$$\underline{F}^b_a \times \underline{E}^a = \underline{0} \quad - (24)$$

Eq. (23) could be interpreted to mean that there are no time like components of an electric field. We therefore arrive at:

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{E}^b \cdot \underline{B}^a + \underline{B}^b \cdot \underline{E}^a &= 0 \\ \underline{F}^b_a \cdot \underline{B}^a &= 0 \\ \underline{F}^b_a \times \underline{E}^a &= \underline{0} \end{aligned} \quad - (25)$$

These are relations between free space fields. The next notes will deal with other types of fields.