

Divergence Theorem: Integral Form, Differential “Point” Form

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Static Maxwell's Equations: Integral Form

Gauss's Law:
(E Field) $\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} = \frac{Q_{\text{encl}}}{\epsilon_0}$

Gauss's Law:
(B Field) $\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} = 0$

Faraday's Law:
("Kirchhoff's Law") $\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = 0$

Ampere's Law: $\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_0 i_c$

Static Maxwell's Equations: Differential "Point" Form

Gauss's Law:
(E Field) $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$

Gauss's Law:
(B Field) $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$

Faraday's Law: $\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = 0$

Ampere's Law: $\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mathbf{J}$

Divergence Theorem Visualized

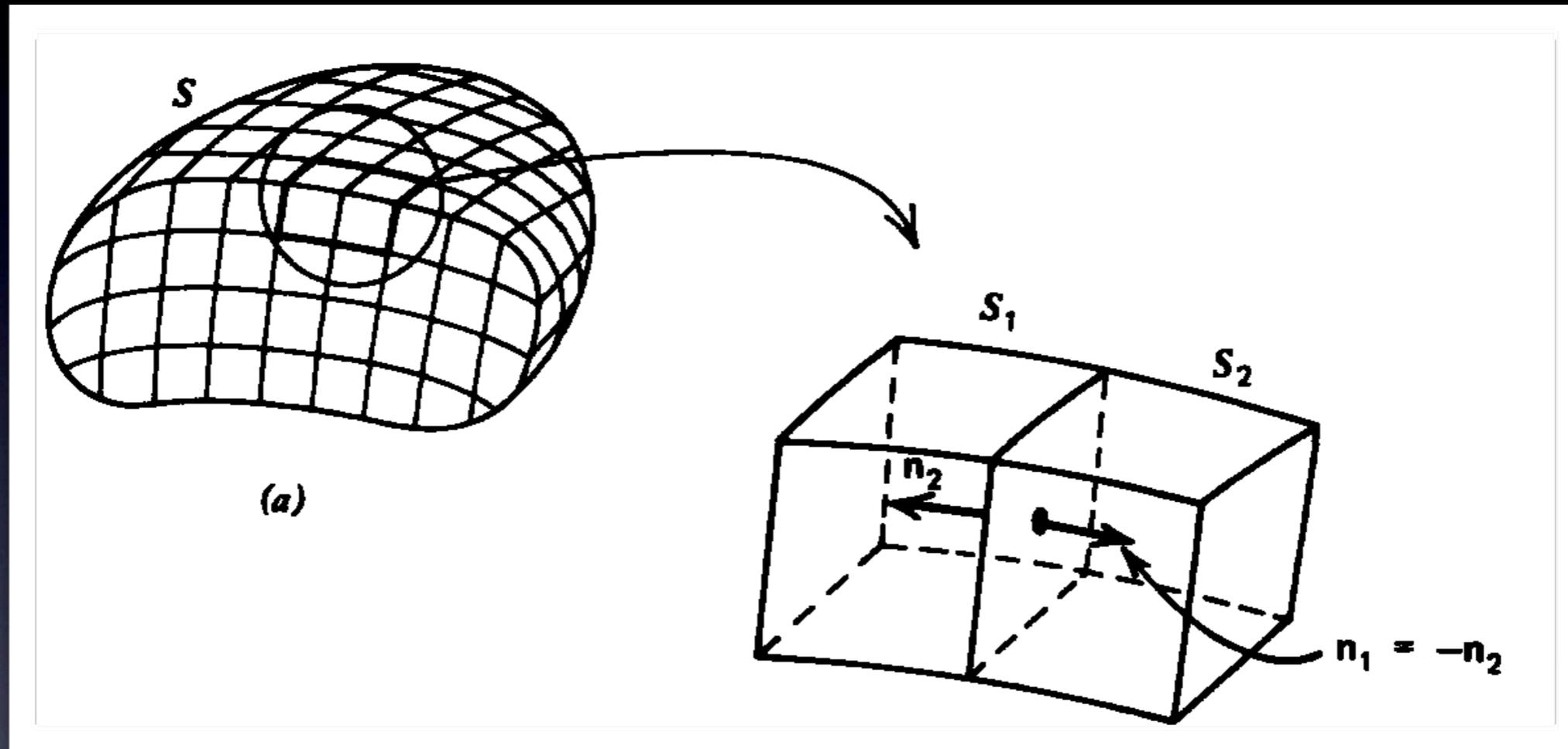


Figure 1-17 Nonzero contributions to the flux of a vector are only obtained across those surfaces that bound the outside of a volume. (a) Within the volume the flux leaving one incremental volume just enters the adjacent volume where (b) the outgoing normals to the common surface separating the volumes are in opposite directions.

Divergence Theorem

Accounting for contributions of each infinitesimal volume within the closed surface:

$$\Phi = \oint_S \mathbf{A} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \lim_{\substack{N \rightarrow \infty \\ \Delta V_n \rightarrow 0}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}) \Delta V_n = \int_V \nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} dV \quad (12)$$

[Markus Zahn, *Electromagnetic Field Theory*, p. 27]

Hence the familiar “divergence theorem”:

$$\int_V (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}) dv = \oint_S \mathbf{A} \cdot d\mathbf{s}$$

Summary

The Divergence Theorem allows us to translate between integral and differential forms of Gauss's Laws.

Hopefully you are reading Chapter 2...