

1.2.2. Energy-momentum conservation in the presence of matter

Prove the corollary of ch. 1 §2.3: In the presence of matter, the energy-momentum tensor obeys the continuity equation

$$\partial_\nu T_\mu{}^\nu(x) = \frac{-1}{c} F_\mu{}^\nu(x) J_\nu(x)$$

(2 points)

1.22.) Generalize the proof of the proposition 1.21 § 2.3:

The only difference is that now the EL eq. reads

$$\partial_\nu F^\nu_\mu = \frac{4\pi}{c} j_\mu$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \underline{\partial_\nu \bar{T}^\nu_\mu} &\stackrel{\S 2.3}{=} \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[-(\partial_\nu F^\mu_\nu) F^\nu_\mu - F^\mu_\nu \partial_\nu F^\nu_\mu + \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu F_{\nu\lambda} F^{\nu\lambda} \right] \\ &= -\frac{1}{c} F^\mu_\mu j_\mu + \frac{1}{4\pi} \underbrace{\left[-(\partial_\nu F^\mu_\nu) F^\nu_\mu + \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu F_{\nu\lambda}) F^{\nu\lambda} \right]}_{=0 \text{ by } \S 2.3} \\ &= \underline{\underline{-\frac{1}{c} F^\mu_\mu j_\mu}} \end{aligned}$$