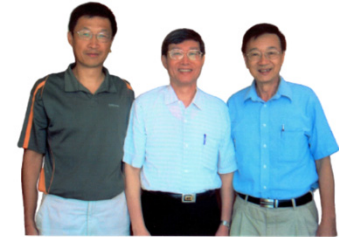


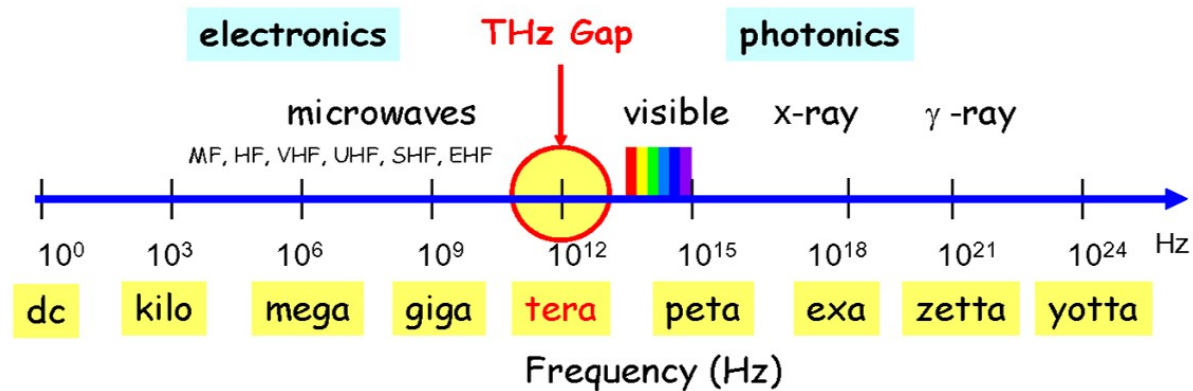
Chapter 7: Plane Electromagnetic Waves and Wave Propagation



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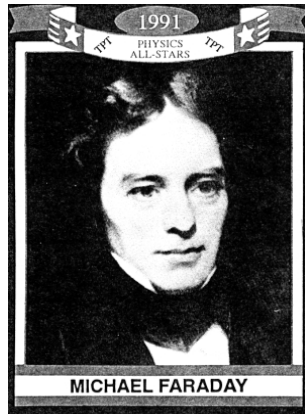
T-Ray: Next frontier in Science and Technology

Terahertz wave (or **T-ray**), which is electromagnetic radiation in a frequency interval from 0.1 to 10 THz, lies a frequency range with rich science but limited technology.



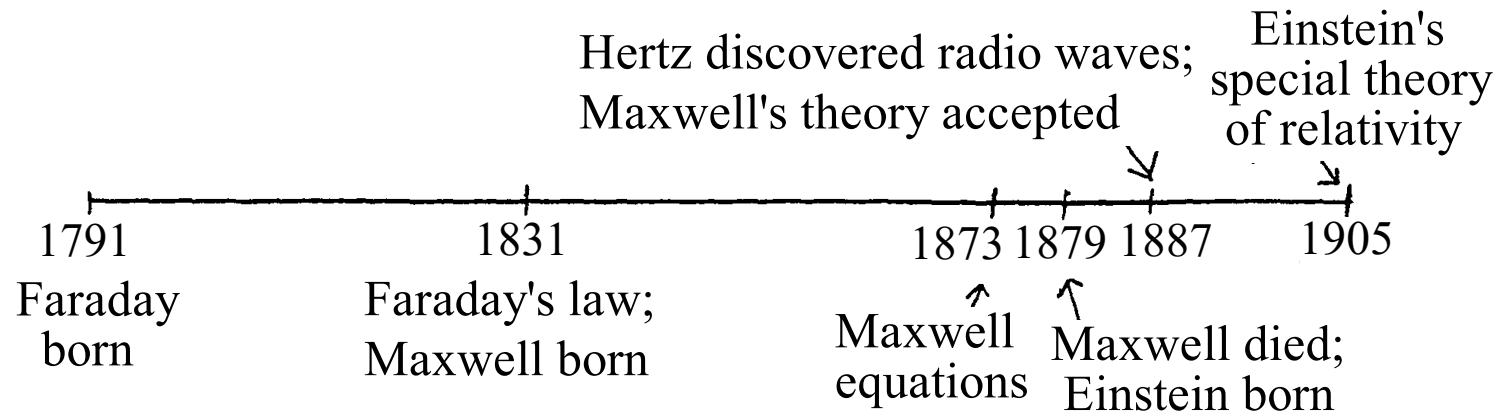
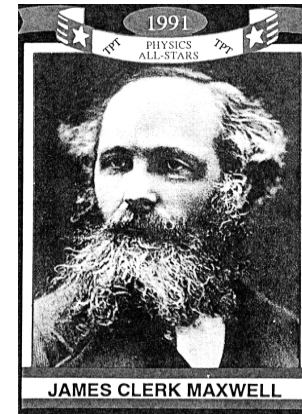
$$1 \text{ THz} \sim 1 \text{ ps} \sim 300 \mu\text{m} \sim 33 \text{ cm}^{-1} \sim 4.1 \text{ meV} \sim 47.6 \text{ }^\circ\text{K}$$

A Historical Perspective:

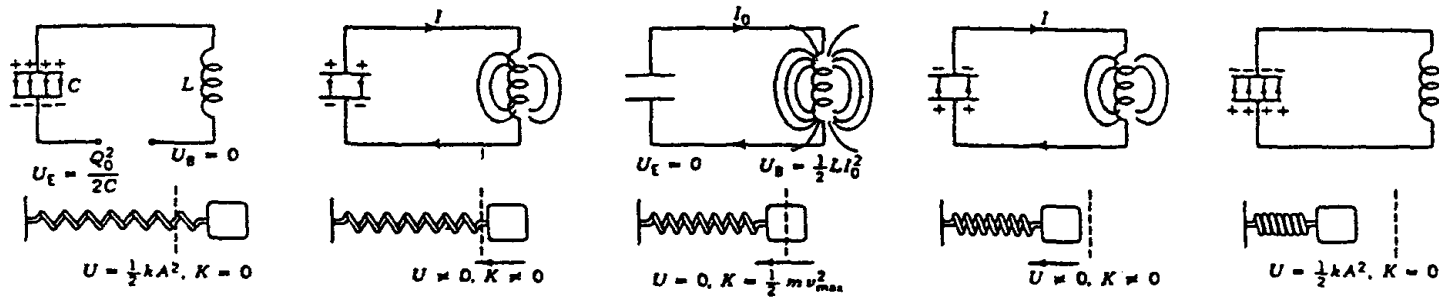


Faraday : Time-varying magnetic field generates electric field.

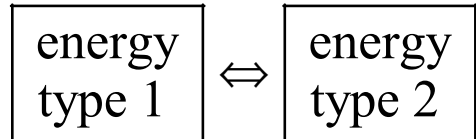
Maxwell : Time-varying electric field generates magnetic field.



A Note about Oscillatory Behavior:



Common feature of oscillatory behavior:



⇒ Oscillations require $\begin{cases} \text{energy storing mechanisms} \\ \text{energy exchange mechanism(s)} \end{cases}$

example	energy storing mechanisms	energy exchange mechanism(s)	medium
mass-spring system	$\frac{1}{2}mv^2, \frac{1}{2}kx^2$	restoring force	mass & spring
LC oscillator	$\frac{1}{2}LI^2, \frac{1}{2}CV^2$	Q, I	$L, C, \& \text{ wire}$
EM wave	$\frac{B^2}{2\mu}, \frac{\epsilon E^2}{2}$	$\frac{dB}{dt}, \frac{dE}{dt}$	not required

Organization of Lecture Notes on Ch. 7:

In Jackson, plane waves in dielectric media are treated in Secs. 7.1 and 7.2. Various special cases (plasma medium and high-frequency limit) are treated in Sec. 7.5. Plane waves in conductors are treated in Sec. 5.18 [e.g., Eqs. (5.163)-(5.169)] and Sec. 8.1 [e.g., Eqs. (8.9), (8.10), (8.12), (8.14), and (8.15)] by methods different from those in Secs. 7.1 and 7.2.

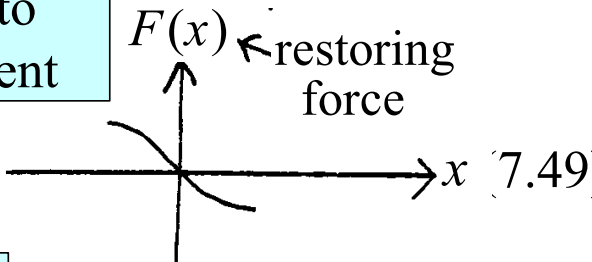
Here, we will cover these sections in Jackson **with a unified treatment** of plane waves in both dielectrics and conductors, and at all frequencies. Equations in Jackson will be examined in greater detail, but in somewhat different order. So, in the lecture notes, the three sections on these materials will be numbered Secs. I, and II rather than following Jackson's section numbers. However, Secs. 7.3, 7.4, 7.8, and 7.9 of Jackson will be followed closely in subsequent lecture notes (and numbered as in Jackson) .

We begin with a derivation of the **generalized dielectric constant** \mathcal{E}/ϵ_0 , which is applicable to both dielectric and conducting media.

I. Derivation of the Generalized Dielectric

Constant ϵ/ϵ_0 [Sec. 7.5 (part A)]

Dipole Moment of a Single Electron: The equation of motion for an atomic or molecular electron with mass m and charge $-e$ in the presence of an external electric field $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x},t)$ can be written:

$$m\ddot{\mathbf{x}} = -e\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x},t) - \underbrace{\gamma m\dot{\mathbf{x}}}_{\text{restoring force due to electron displacement}} - m\omega_0^2 \mathbf{x} \quad (7.49)$$


\mathbf{x} : displacement of the electron from its equilibrium position $\mathbf{x} = 0$.

γ : electron collision frequency
 $-\gamma m\dot{\mathbf{x}}$: damping force (rate of change of electron momentum due to collisions)

$$F(x) = \underbrace{F(0)}_0 + \underbrace{F'(0)}_{-m\omega_0^2} x + \dots$$

As in Sec. 4.6, we neglect higher-order terms.

The "binding frequency" ω_0 is the natural oscillation frequency of the electron if it is set to oscillate about $\mathbf{x} = 0$ under the restoring force $-m\omega_0^2$. Since $\omega_0^2 \propto 1/m$, the restoring force is independent of m .

I. Derivation of the Generalized Dielectric Constant $\varepsilon/\varepsilon_0$ (continued)

Rewrite (7.49), $m\ddot{\mathbf{x}} = -e\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) - \gamma m\dot{\mathbf{x}} - m\omega_0^2 \mathbf{x}$, as

$$m(\ddot{\mathbf{x}} + \gamma\dot{\mathbf{x}} + \omega_0^2 \mathbf{x}) = -e\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

Let* $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x})e^{-i\omega t}$ and expand $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x})$ about the equilibrium position $\mathbf{x} = 0$, we obtain $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{E}(0) + \underbrace{(\mathbf{x} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{E}(0)}_{\text{of the order of } \frac{x}{\lambda} \mathbf{E}(0)} + \dots \approx \mathbf{E}(0)$,

$$\boxed{\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \text{Re}(\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x})e^{-i\omega t})} \quad \text{if } \frac{x}{\lambda} \ll 1$$

where λ is the scale length of $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x})$. For example, if $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x})$ is a wave field, then $\lambda \approx \text{wavelength}$. By neglecting $(\mathbf{x} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{E}(0)$, we have assumed that the electron displacement is too small for the electron to see any spatial field variation. Thus, we assume that the electron is acted on by a *spatially uniform* field:

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) \approx \mathbf{E}(0)e^{-i\omega t}, \quad \boxed{\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) \approx \text{Re}(\mathbf{E}(0)e^{-i\omega t})}$$

and it is understood that $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t)$ is given by the real part of the RHS.

*This is equivalent to a Fourier transformation to the ω space and $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x})$ is a complex quantity called the *phasor* [see Appendix A]

I. Derivation of the Generalized Dielectric Constant ϵ/ϵ_0 (continued)

Let $\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{x}_0 e^{-i\omega t}$ and substitute

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{x}_0 e^{-i\omega t} \\ \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \mathbf{E}(0) e^{-i\omega t} \end{cases} \text{ into } m(\ddot{\mathbf{x}} + \gamma\dot{\mathbf{x}} + \omega_0^2 \mathbf{x}) = -e\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t),$$

we obtain $m(-\omega^2 - i\omega\gamma + \omega_0^2)\mathbf{x}_0 = -e\mathbf{E}(0)$ with the solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}_0 &= -\frac{e}{m} \frac{\mathbf{E}(0)}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2 - i\omega\gamma} \\ \Rightarrow \quad \mathbf{x}(t) &= -\frac{e}{m} \frac{\mathbf{E}(0) e^{-i\omega t}}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2 - i\omega\gamma} \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

(1) represents the *forced* oscillation of a simple harmonic oscillator with natural oscillation frequency ω_0 . The time-dependent $\mathbf{x}(t)$ results in a time-dependent dipole moment at $\mathbf{x} = 0$ given by

$$\mathbf{p}(t) = \mathbf{p}_0 e^{-i\omega t},$$

where $\mathbf{p}_0 = -e\mathbf{x}_0 = \frac{e^2}{m} \frac{\mathbf{E}(0)}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2 - i\omega\gamma}$ [This reduces to (4.72) in the static limit: $\omega = 0$.]

I. Derivation of the Generalized Dielectric Constant ϵ/ϵ_0 (continued)

$$\text{Rewrite } \begin{cases} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \mathbf{E}(0)e^{-i\omega t} \\ \mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{x}_0 e^{-i\omega t} \\ \mathbf{p}(t) = \mathbf{p}_0 e^{-i\omega t} \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{cases} \mathbf{x}_0 = -\frac{e}{m} \frac{\mathbf{E}(0)}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2 - i\omega\gamma} \\ \mathbf{p}_0 = -e\mathbf{x}_0 = \frac{e^2}{m} \frac{\mathbf{E}(0)}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2 - i\omega\gamma} \end{cases}$$

In these equations, $\mathbf{E}(0)$, \mathbf{x}_0 , and \mathbf{p}_0 are phasors containing phase and amplitude information of $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t)$, $\mathbf{x}(t)$, and $\mathbf{p}(t)$, respectively. The subscript "0" in \mathbf{x}_0 and \mathbf{p}_0 refers to the fact that the oscillation is centered at $\mathbf{x} = 0$, where $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t)$ is approximated by a spatially uniform field $\mathbf{E}(0)e^{-i\omega t}$ (its value at $\mathbf{x} = 0$). If the oscillation is centered at an arbitrary point \mathbf{x} , the only difference is that the electron would see a spatially constant field given by $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x})e^{-i\omega t}$.

$$\text{Thus, in general, } \mathbf{p}(t) = \mathbf{p}e^{-i\omega t} \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{p} = \frac{e^2}{m} \frac{\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x})}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2 - i\omega\gamma} \quad (7.50)$$

Note that, in (7.50), \mathbf{x} is a spatial variable (not the electron displacement), and \mathbf{p} and $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x})$ are phasors.

I. Derivation of the Generalized Dielectric Constant $\varepsilon/\varepsilon_0$ (continued)

The Generalized Dielectric Constant : Assume there are N molecules per unit volume and Z electrons per molecule. Divide the electrons of a molecule into groups, each with electron number f_j ($\sum f_j = Z$), binding frequency ω_j , and collision frequency γ_j [There may be one or more free electrons ($\omega_j = 0$) per molecule.] Then, the electric polarization (total dipole moment per unit volume) is

$$\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{x}) = N \sum_j f_j \mathbf{p}_j = \frac{Ne^2}{m} \sum_j \frac{f_j}{\omega_j^2 - \omega^2 - i\omega\gamma_j} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = \varepsilon_0 \chi_e \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) \quad (7.50) \quad (4.36)$$

a macroscopic quantity
(7.50)
(4.36)
a spatial variable

Extending the definitions of the static electric displacement (\mathbf{D})

and permittivity (ε):

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x}) \equiv \varepsilon_0 \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{x}) = \varepsilon \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) & (4.34) \quad (4.37) \\ \varepsilon = \varepsilon_0 (1 + \chi_e) & (4.38) \end{cases}$$

to fields with $\exp(-i\omega t)$ dependence, we obtain $\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x}) = \varepsilon \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x})$ (2)

with $\frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon_0} = 1 + \chi_e = 1 + \frac{Ne^2}{\varepsilon_0 m} \sum_j \frac{f_j}{\omega_j^2 - \omega^2 - i\omega\gamma_j}$ generalized dielectric constant (7.51)

I. Derivation of the Generalized Dielectric Constant ϵ/ϵ_0 (continued)

Divide the electrons in the medium into

$$\begin{cases} \text{bound electrons: } \omega_j \neq 0 \\ \text{free electrons: } \omega_j = 0, f_j = f_0, \gamma_j = \gamma_0 \end{cases}$$

For copper, $f_0 \approx 1$
and $\gamma_0 \approx 4 \times 10^{13} / s$.

$$(7.51) \Rightarrow \epsilon = \epsilon_0 + \underbrace{\frac{Ne^2}{m} \sum_{j \text{ (bound)}} \frac{f_j}{\omega_j^2 - \omega^2 - i\omega\gamma_j}}_{\epsilon_b} + i \underbrace{\frac{Ne^2 f_0}{m\omega(\gamma_0 - i\omega)}}_{\sigma/\omega}$$

$$= \epsilon_b + i \frac{\sigma}{\omega}$$

due to free electrons

(7.56)

where $\sigma \equiv \frac{f_0 Ne^2}{m(\gamma_0 - i\omega)}$ [Drude model for the electrical conductivity] (7.58)

In general, $\omega_j > \gamma_j$ (see p. 310). Hence, ϵ_b is predominantly real.
When $\omega \approx \omega_j$, $\text{Im } \epsilon_b$ becomes large. \Rightarrow resonant absorption

Questions:

1. $\epsilon \rightarrow \infty$ as $\omega \rightarrow 0$. Hence, the derivation breaks down. Why?
2. What makes the medium dispersive (i.e., ϵ depends on ω)?

I. Derivation of the Generalized Dielectric Constant ϵ/ϵ_0 (continued)

Discussion :

- (i) $\mathbf{D} = \epsilon\mathbf{E}$ implies a *linear* relation between \mathbf{D} and \mathbf{E} . The *linearity* results from the assumption that *the electron displacement x is sufficient small* so that, in (7.49), $f(\mathbf{x}) \propto x$ and $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x})$ can be approximated by a constant $\mathbf{E}(0)$.
- (ii) ϵ / ϵ_0 in (7.51) or (7.56) is a *generalized* dielectric constant, which includes contributions from both *bound* and *free* electrons. It is thus applicable to both *insulating* and *conducting* materials. In the wave fields, free electrons oscillate about an equilibrium position just like the bound electron. Hence, *both types of electrons can be treated on equal footing*. The generalized ϵ is an *extremely useful* quantity. As will be shown, it allows a unified treatment of EM waves in both insulating and conducting materials.

I. Derivation of the Generalized Dielectric Constant ϵ/ϵ_0 (continued)

(iii) Write $\epsilon = \epsilon' + i\epsilon''$ [$\epsilon' = \text{Re}(\epsilon)$, $\epsilon'' = \text{Im}(\epsilon)$]. From (7.56), it can be seen that ϵ'' is due to γ [i.e., the *damping* term in (7.49)]. Hence, ϵ'' is responsible for the attenuation of EM waves in the material. For the insulating material, $\epsilon'' \ll \epsilon'$, the attenuation constant is given by Jackson (7.55) in terms of ϵ'' . For a good conductor, $\epsilon'' \gg \epsilon'$, the attenuation constant is given by Jackson (5.164) in terms of σ . The attenuation constants in dielectric and conducting materials will be derived later in this chapter.

Note that both bound and free electrons contribute to ϵ'' [see (7.56)], but contribution from free electrons is usually far more important than bound electrons (**why?**). Even the insulating material contains a small number of free electrons to give the material a small conductivity.

I. Derivation of the Generalized Dielectric Constant $\varepsilon/\varepsilon_0$ (continued)

(iv) ε is derived in the ω -space for a harmonic field of arbitrary frequency. Hence, $\mathbf{D}(\omega) = \varepsilon(\omega)\mathbf{E}(\omega)$ is a constitutive relation in ω -space valid for all ω . For multi-frequency fields, we may obtain the t -space \mathbf{D} through a Fourier transformation

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{D}(t) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{D}(\omega) e^{-i\omega t} d\omega \quad \boxed{\text{in general}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \underbrace{\varepsilon(\omega)} \mathbf{E}(\omega) e^{-i\omega t} d\omega \quad \downarrow \quad [\neq \varepsilon\mathbf{E}(t)]\end{aligned}\quad (3)$$

$$\boxed{\varepsilon(\omega) = \varepsilon_0 + \frac{Ne^2}{m} \sum_{j \text{ (bound)}} \frac{f_j}{\omega_j^2 - \omega^2 - i\omega\gamma_j} + i \frac{Ne^2 f_0}{m\omega(\gamma_0 - i\omega)}}$$

Since $\mathbf{E}(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{E}(\omega) e^{-i\omega t} d\omega$, we find from (3) that, in general, $\mathbf{D}(t) \neq \varepsilon\mathbf{E}(t)$ because ε is a function of ω . There are, however, 2 special cases for which (3) will yield $\mathbf{D} = \varepsilon\mathbf{E}$ in t -space, as discussed in (v) and (vi) below.

I. Derivation of the Generalized Dielectric Constant $\varepsilon/\varepsilon_0$ (continued)

(v) Consider a static ($\omega = 0$) electric field \mathbf{E} in a dielectric medium without free electrons ($f_0 = 0$), we have

$$\mathbf{E}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{E} e^{i\omega t} dt = \mathbf{E} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i\omega t} dt = 2\pi \mathbf{E} \delta(\omega)$$

$$\varepsilon(\omega = 0) = \varepsilon_0 + \frac{Ne^2}{m} \sum_{j \text{ (bound)}} \frac{f_j}{\omega_j^2 - \omega^2 - i\omega\gamma_j} + i \frac{Ne^2 f_0}{m\omega(\gamma_0 - i\omega)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \boxed{\omega = 0, f_0 = 0} &\rightarrow \\ &= \varepsilon_0 + \frac{Ne^2}{m} \sum_{j \text{ (bound)}} \frac{f_j}{\omega_j^2} \\ &= \varepsilon_b \quad [\varepsilon_b \text{ is real.}] \end{aligned}$$

Thus, in t -space, we have a static \mathbf{D} given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{D}(\omega = 0) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varepsilon(\omega) \mathbf{E}(\omega) e^{-i\omega t} d\omega = \frac{\varepsilon_b}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 2\pi \mathbf{E} \delta(\omega) e^{-i\omega t} d\omega \\ &= \varepsilon_b \mathbf{E}(\omega = 0), \end{aligned}$$

This recovers the static relation in (4.37) without making any approximation.

I. Derivation of the Generalized Dielectric Constant ϵ/ϵ_0 (continued)

(vi) For time-dependent fields in a medium with negligible dispersion [i.e., $\epsilon(\omega) \approx \epsilon(\omega_0)$] and negligible loss (i.e., $\gamma_j \approx 0$), we have

$$\mathbf{D}(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{D}(\omega) e^{-i\omega t} d\omega \approx \frac{1}{2\pi} \epsilon(\omega_0) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{E}(\omega) e^{-i\omega t} d\omega = \epsilon(\omega_0) \mathbf{E}(t),$$

$$\text{where } \epsilon(\omega_0) = \epsilon_0 + \frac{Ne^2}{m} \sum_j \frac{f_j}{\omega_j^2 - \omega_0^2 - i\omega\gamma_j} \approx \epsilon_0 + \frac{Ne^2}{m} \sum_j \frac{f_j}{\omega_j^2 - \omega_0^2}$$

This explains assumption (1) on p. 259 for the derivation of (6.107); namely, the macroscopic medium is linear in its electrical property and it has *negligible dispersion and negligible loss*. Under this assumption, we may write $\mathbf{D}(t) = \epsilon \mathbf{E}(t)$. Hence, in (6.105), we have $\mathbf{E} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{D} = \epsilon \mathbf{E} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{E} = \frac{\epsilon}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{D}$.

Questions:

1. Assume an electromagnetic signal is propagating in the medium. What is the condition on the signal in order for $\epsilon(\omega) \approx \epsilon(\omega_0)$?
2. Why is the assumption of "negligible loss" also required?

I. Derivation of the Generalized Dielectric Constant ϵ/ϵ_0 (continued)

A note about terminology: In general, the electric permittivity is a tensor (denote it by $\bar{\epsilon}$) and we may write

$$\mathbf{D} = \bar{\epsilon} \cdot \mathbf{E}, \quad \text{where } \bar{\epsilon} = \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_{11} & \epsilon_{12} & \epsilon_{13} \\ \epsilon_{21} & \epsilon_{22} & \epsilon_{23} \\ \epsilon_{31} & \epsilon_{32} & \epsilon_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

The electrical property of the medium is	if
<u>uniform</u> (or <u>homogeneous</u>)	$\bar{\epsilon}$ is indept. of \mathbf{x}
<u>linear</u>	$\bar{\epsilon}$ is indept. of \mathbf{E}
<u>nondispersive</u>	$\bar{\epsilon}$ is indept. of ω
<u>isotropic</u>	$\epsilon_{11} = \epsilon_{22} = \epsilon_{33},$ $\epsilon_{ij} = 0$ if $i \neq j$

Example: Copper (Cu)

Atomic Number: 29

Atomic Mass: 63.546 amu

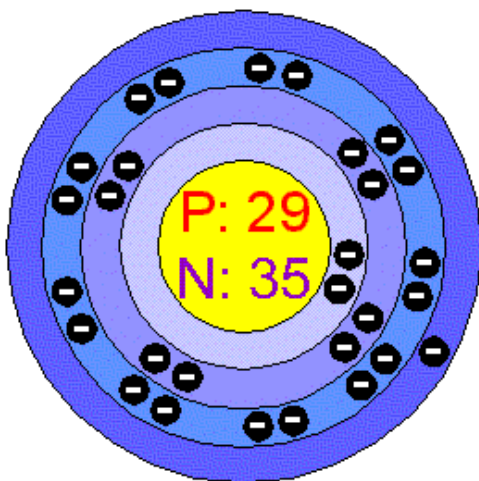
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Boiling Point: 2567.0 °C (2840.15 K, 4652.6 °F)

Crystal Structure: Cubic

Density @ 293 K: 8.96 g/cm³

Color: red/orange



Number of Energy Levels: 4

First Energy Level: 2 $1S^2$

Second Energy Level: 8 $2S^22P^6$

Third Energy Level: 18 $3S^23P^63D^{10}$

Fourth Energy Level: 1 $4S^1$

I. Derivation of the Generalized Dielectric Constant ϵ/ϵ_0 (continued)

Harmonic time dependence (ω : real and positive)

$$\text{Let } \underbrace{\begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) \\ \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x}, t) \\ \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}, t) \\ \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}, t) \\ \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}, t) \\ \rho(\mathbf{x}, t) \end{Bmatrix}}_{\text{real}} = \text{Re} \left[\underbrace{\begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \rho(\mathbf{x}) \end{Bmatrix}}_{\text{complex (called the phasor)}} e^{-i\omega t} \right]$$

By convention, the LHS is the real part of the RHS.

with .

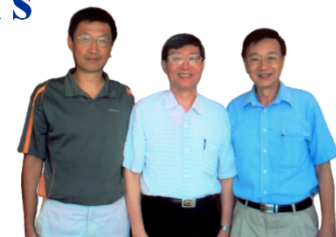
$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x})$ here are \mathbf{E}, \mathbf{B} in (7.2) and (7.3)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \rho_{free}(\mathbf{x}, t) \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}, t) = 0 \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}, t) \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \mathbf{J}_{free}(\mathbf{x}, t) + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x}, t) \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x}) = \rho_{free}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = i\omega \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{J}_{free}(\mathbf{x}) - i\omega \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x}) \end{array} \right. \quad (6)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho_{free}(\mathbf{x}, t) + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J}_{free}(\mathbf{x}, t) = 0 \Rightarrow -i\omega \rho_{free}(\mathbf{x}) + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J}_{free}(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \quad (7)$$

II. Properties of Plane Waves in Dielectrics and Conductors

[A unified treatment of Secs. 5.18, 7.1, 7.2, 7.5, and 8.1
using the generalized ϵ in (7.51)]



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We have obtained the familiar **homogeneous plane-wave equations**:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} k = \sqrt{\mu\epsilon}\omega \quad [k : \text{wave number or propagation constant}] \quad (16) \\ \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{E}_0 = 0 \quad (22) \\ \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{B}_0 = 0 \quad (23) \\ \mathbf{B}_0 = \sqrt{\mu\epsilon}\mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{E}_0 \quad (24) \\ \langle \mathbf{S} \rangle_t = \frac{1}{2} \text{Re} \left[\sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{\mu}} |\mathbf{E}_0|^2 e^{-2k_i \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{x}} \right] \mathbf{n} \quad (25) \end{array} \right.$$

for a uniform and isotropic medium, where \mathbf{E}_0 and \mathbf{B}_0 are (complex)

amplitude constants of the fields: $\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) \\ \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}, t) \end{pmatrix} = \text{Re} \left[\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{E}_0 \\ \mathbf{B}_0 \end{pmatrix} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x} - i\omega t} \right]$

and \mathbf{n} is a (real) direction unit vector of the (complex) wave vector
or propagation vector: $\mathbf{k} = k\mathbf{n} = (k_r + ik_i)\mathbf{n}$

II. Properties of Plane Waves in Dielectrics and Conductors (*continued*)

On the basis of these equations, we consider below 4 radically different cases which are distinguishable by the wave frequency and the medium property characterized by the generalized permittivity:

$$\varepsilon = \varepsilon_0 + \underbrace{\frac{Ne^2}{m} \sum_{j \text{ (bound)}} \frac{f_j}{\omega_j^2 - \omega^2 - i\omega\gamma_j}}_{\varepsilon_b} + i \underbrace{\frac{Ne^2 f_0}{m\omega(\gamma_0 - i\omega)}}_{\sigma/\omega} \quad (7.51), (7.56)$$

Case 1. Waves in a dielectric medium

Case 2. Waves in a good conductor

Case 3. Waves at optical frequencies and beyond

Case 4. Waves in a plasma

II. Properties of Plane Waves in Dielectrics and Conductors (continued)

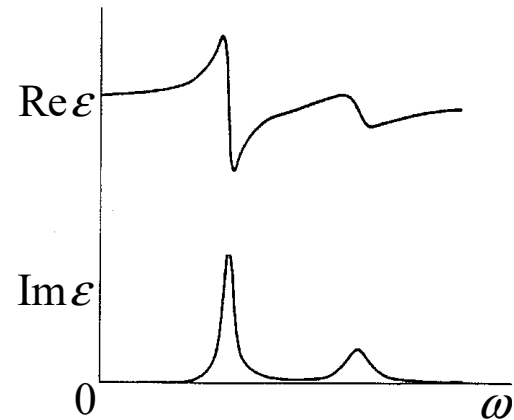
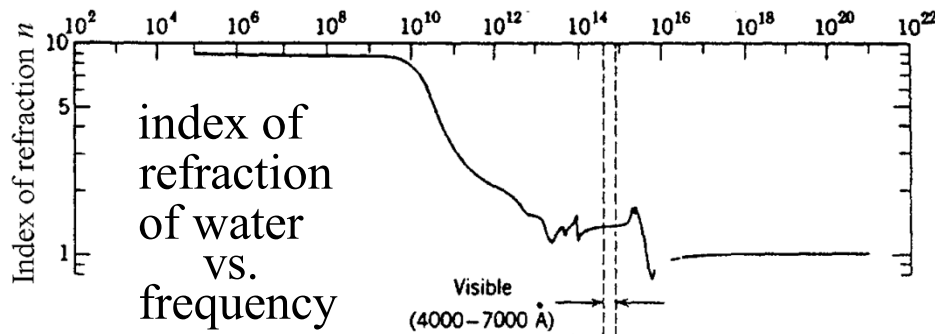
Case 1: Waves in a dielectric medium [§ 7.1, § 7.2, § 7.5 (Part B)]

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_0 + \frac{Ne^2}{m} \sum_{j \text{ (bound)}} \frac{f_j}{\omega_j^2 - \omega^2 - i\omega\gamma_j} + i \underbrace{\frac{Ne^2 f_0}{m\omega(\gamma_0 - i\omega)}}_{\text{negligible } (\because f_0 = 0 \text{ or very small})} \quad (7.51)$$

Properties of ϵ :

1. In general, $\gamma_j \ll \omega_j$ (see p.310), hence $\text{Im}\epsilon \ll \text{Re}\epsilon$.
2. When ω is near each ω_j (binding frequency of the j^{th} group of electrons), ϵ exhibits resonant behavior in the form of anomalous dispersion and resonant absorption.

3 As ω passes more ω_j 's, $\text{Re}\epsilon$ decreases.



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Case 1.1: Lossless dielectric (μ and ε are real. Secs. 7.1 and 7.2)

Plane waves in a dielectric medium governed by Eqs. (16), (22)-(25) are best exemplified by the simple case of no medium loss (i.e., μ and ε are both real).

Time-averaged quantities:

$$(25) \Rightarrow \langle \mathbf{S} \rangle_t = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon}{\mu}} |\mathbf{E}_0|^2 \mathbf{n} \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{intensity: time averaged} \\ \text{Poynting vector} \end{array} \right] \quad (7.13)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) &= \mathbf{E}_0 e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}}, \quad \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{B}_0 e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}} = \sqrt{\mu\varepsilon} \mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{E}_0 e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}} \\ \Rightarrow \langle u \rangle_t &= \text{time averaged energy density} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \underbrace{[\varepsilon \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \mathbf{E}^*(\mathbf{x}) + \frac{1}{\mu} \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \mathbf{B}^*(\mathbf{x})]} = \frac{\varepsilon}{2} |\mathbf{E}_0|^2 \end{aligned} \quad (7.14)$$

These 2 terms are equal [$\because \mathbf{B}_0 = \sqrt{\mu\varepsilon} \mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{E}_0$ (24)].

\Rightarrow equipartition of E-field and B-field energies

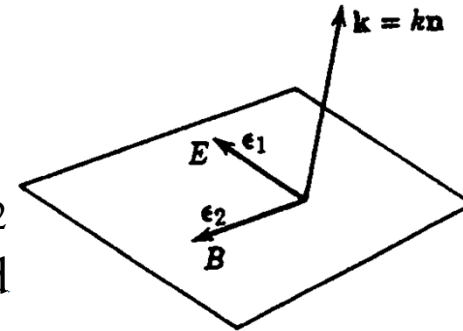
$$(7.13) \text{ and } (7.14) \Rightarrow \langle \mathbf{S} \rangle_t \cdot \mathbf{n} = \langle u \rangle_t v_g, \text{ where } v_g = \frac{d\omega}{dk} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\varepsilon}} \left(= \frac{\omega}{k} \right)$$

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Time-dependent fields:

$$\text{Let } \begin{cases} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{E}_0 e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} = E_0 e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_1 \\ \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = \sqrt{\mu\varepsilon} \mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{E}_0 e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} = \sqrt{\mu\varepsilon} E_0 e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_2 \end{cases}$$

where $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_1$, $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_2$, \mathbf{k} are mutually perpendicular and the fields are linearly polarized.



$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_1 \perp \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_2, \mathbf{n} = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_1 \times \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_2$$

Further let $E_0 = |E_0| e^{i\theta}$, then

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \text{Re}[\mathbf{E}_0 e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x} - i\omega t}] = |E_0| \cos(\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x} - \omega t + \theta) \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_1 \\ \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \sqrt{\mu\varepsilon} \text{Re}[\mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{E}_0 e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x} - i\omega t}] = \sqrt{\mu\varepsilon} |E_0| \cos(\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x} - \omega t + \theta) \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_2 \end{cases}$$

μ and ε are real. $\Rightarrow \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t)$ and $\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}, t)$ are in phase.

$\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) \times \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}, t) =$ instantaneous Poynting vector [(6.109)]

$$= \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon}{\mu}} |E_0|^2 \cos^2(\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x} - \omega t + \theta) \mathbf{n}$$

\Rightarrow At a fixed position, \mathbf{S} varies between 0 and the maximum (positive) value at the frequency 2ω .

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Two linearly polarized waves can be combined to give

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \mathbf{E}_1(\mathbf{x}, t) + \mathbf{E}_2(\mathbf{x}, t) = (\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_1 E_1 + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_2 E_2) e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x} - i\omega t} \quad (7.19)$$

(7.19) consists of the following 3 cases:

1. (7.19) is a linearly polarized plane wave if \mathbf{E}_1 and \mathbf{E}_2 are in phase, i.e., if $E_1 = |E_1| e^{i\theta}$ and $E_2 = |E_2| e^{i\theta}$

2. (7.19) is an elliptically polarized plane wave if \mathbf{E}_1 and \mathbf{E}_2 are not in phase, i.e., if $E_1 = |E_1| e^{i\theta}$ and $E_2 = |E_2| e^{i(\theta+\varphi)}$.

3. (7.19) is a circularly polarized plane wave (a special case of elliptical polarization) if $|E_1| = |E_2| (= |E_0|)$ and $\varphi = \pm \pi/2$. Hence,

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) = E_0 (\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_1 \pm i\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_2) e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x} - i\omega t} \quad (7.20)$$

For an alternative representation, we define $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{\pm} \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_1 \pm i\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_2)$, (7.22) where $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{\pm}^* \cdot \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{\pm} = 1$ and $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{\pm}^* \cdot \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{\mp} = 0$. Then, (7.19) [not (7.20)] can be written

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) = (E_+ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_+ + E_- \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_-) e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x} - i\omega t} \quad (7.24)$$

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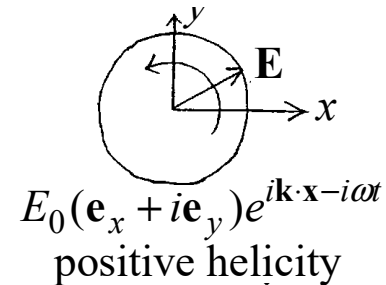
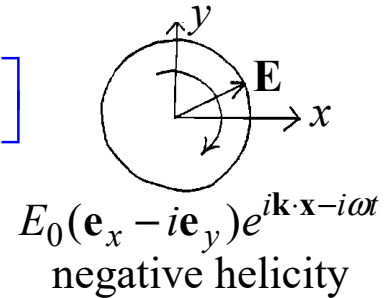
A specific example of circularly polarized wave:

Rewrite (7.20): $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \text{Re} \left[\mathbf{E}_0 (\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_1 \pm i\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_2) e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x} - i\omega t} \right]$

Let $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_1 = \mathbf{e}_x$, $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_2 = \mathbf{e}_y$, and $\mathbf{n} = \frac{\mathbf{k}}{k} = \mathbf{e}_z$. We have

$$\begin{cases} E_x(\mathbf{x}, t) = E_0 \cos(kz - \omega t + \theta) \\ E_y(\mathbf{x}, t) = \mp E_0 \sin(kz - \omega t + \theta) \end{cases}$$

Exercise: Show that the instantaneous Poynting vector of a circularly polarized plane wave is independent of time.



Medium property: $k = \sqrt{\mu\varepsilon}\omega$ [(16)] gives the phase velocity (v)

$$v = \frac{\omega}{k} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\varepsilon}} = \frac{c}{n}, \text{ where } n = \sqrt{\frac{\mu\varepsilon}{\mu_0\varepsilon_0}} \text{ (index of refraction)} \quad (7.5)$$

Next, we consider plane waves in a lossy dielectric, where the fields differ only slightly from those in a lossless case dielectric (e.g., \mathbf{E} , \mathbf{B} are slightly out of phase). However, as a qualitative difference, the medium absorbs the wave. So, our emphasis will be on the medium properties.

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Case 1.2: Lossy dielectric [μ and/or ϵ are complex, Sec. 7.5 (Part B)]

$$k = \sqrt{\mu\epsilon}\omega \text{ can be written: } k = \text{Re} \sqrt{\mu\epsilon}\omega + i \text{Im} \sqrt{\mu\epsilon}\omega = \beta + i \frac{\alpha}{2} \quad (7.53)$$

where $\beta = k_r$ gives (for arbitrary μ and ϵ)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{the wavelength } \lambda = \frac{2\pi}{\beta} \\ \text{the phase velocity } v = \frac{\omega}{\beta} = \frac{1}{\text{Re} \sqrt{\mu\epsilon}} \\ \text{the index of refraction } n = \frac{c}{v} = \text{Re} \sqrt{\frac{\mu\epsilon}{\mu_0\epsilon_0}} \quad [\text{used on p. 314.}] \end{array} \right.$$

To find the meaning of α , we set $k_i = \frac{\alpha}{2}$ and $\mathbf{n} = \mathbf{e}_z$ in

$$\langle \mathbf{S} \rangle_t = \frac{1}{2} \text{Re} \left[\sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{\mu}} |\mathbf{E}_0|^2 e^{-2k_i \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{x}} \right] \mathbf{n} \quad (25)$$

$$\Rightarrow P = \langle \mathbf{S} \rangle_t \cdot \mathbf{n} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Re} \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{\mu}} |\mathbf{E}_0|^2 e^{-\alpha z} \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{intensity (average} \\ \text{power/unit area)} \end{array} \right],$$

Hence, α is the *power attenuation constant* given by

$$\alpha = -\frac{1}{P} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} P = 2k_i [= 2 \text{Im} \sqrt{\mu\epsilon}\omega] \quad [\text{used on p. 314}].$$

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For the common case of **weak attenuation**, we let

$$\mu = \text{real}, \quad \varepsilon = \varepsilon' + i\varepsilon'' \quad \text{with } \varepsilon' \gg \varepsilon''$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{\varepsilon} = \sqrt{\varepsilon'} \left(1 + i \frac{\varepsilon''}{\varepsilon'}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \approx \sqrt{\varepsilon'} \left(1 + i \frac{\varepsilon''}{2\varepsilon'}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \text{Re} \sqrt{\mu\varepsilon}\omega + i \text{Im} \sqrt{\mu\varepsilon}\omega \approx \sqrt{\mu\varepsilon'}\omega + \frac{i}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\varepsilon'}} \varepsilon'' \omega \quad (\text{for real } \mu \text{ and small } \varepsilon'')$$

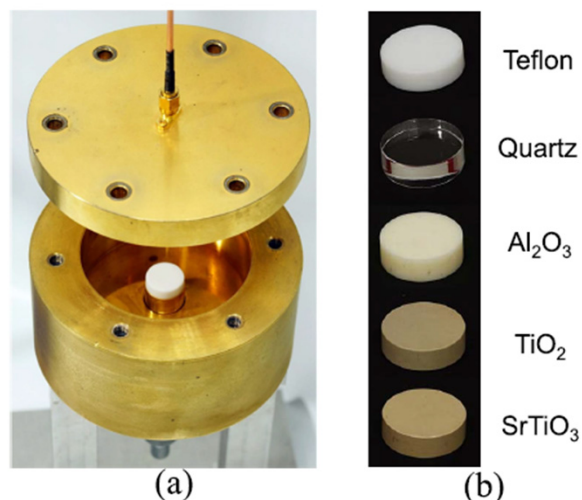
$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \beta = k_r \approx \sqrt{\mu\varepsilon'}\omega = \sqrt{\frac{\mu\varepsilon'}{\mu_0\varepsilon_0}} \frac{\omega}{c} \quad (\text{phase constant}) \\ v = \frac{\omega}{\beta} \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\varepsilon'}} = \frac{c}{n} \quad (\text{phase velocity}) \\ n = \frac{c}{v} \approx \sqrt{\mu\varepsilon'}c = \sqrt{\frac{\mu\varepsilon'}{\mu_0\varepsilon_0}} \quad (\text{index of refraction}) \\ \alpha = 2k_i \approx i\sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\varepsilon'}} \varepsilon'' \omega = \frac{\varepsilon''}{\varepsilon'} \beta \quad (\text{power attenuation constant}) \quad (7.55) \\ P = \frac{1}{2} \text{Re} \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon}{\mu}} |\mathbf{E}_0|^2 e^{-\alpha z} \approx \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon'}{\mu}} |\mathbf{E}_0|^2 e^{-\alpha z} \quad (\text{intensity}) \end{array} \right.$$

β reduces to the expression on p. 311 when $\mu = \mu_0$.

In (7.55), $\frac{\varepsilon''}{\varepsilon'} (\equiv \tan \delta_l)$ is commonly referred to as the loss tangent.

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ϵ' (Re ϵ) and loss tangent ($\tan \delta_l$ or $\frac{\epsilon''}{\epsilon'}$) of some materials at different frequencies



Material	ϵ'/ϵ_0			Loss tangent, $10^4 \epsilon''/\epsilon'$		
	$f = 10^6$	$f = 10^8$	$f = 10^{10}$	$f = 10^6$	$f = 10^8$	$f = 10^{10}$
Glass, Corning 707	4.00	4.00	4.00	8	12	21
Fused quartz	3.78	3.78	3.78	2	1	1
Ruby mica	5.4	5.4	—	3	2	—
Ceramic Alsimag 393	4.95	4.95	4.95	10	10	9.7
Titania	100	100	—	3	2.5	—
Polystyrene	2.56	2.55	2.54	0.7	1	4.3
Neoprene	5.7	3.4	—	950	1600	—

Fig. 7. Photographs of (a) device and (b) samples. Although the resonant frequency of the device is around 2.45 GHz, the machining error is still very critical. The actual sizes should be calibrated. Teflon, quartz, and alumina (Al_2O_3) are used to validate the calibration. Once the calibration is complete, titanium dioxide (TiO_2) and strontium titanate (SrTiO_3) can be tested.

from Ramo, Whinnery, and Van Duzer, p.334.

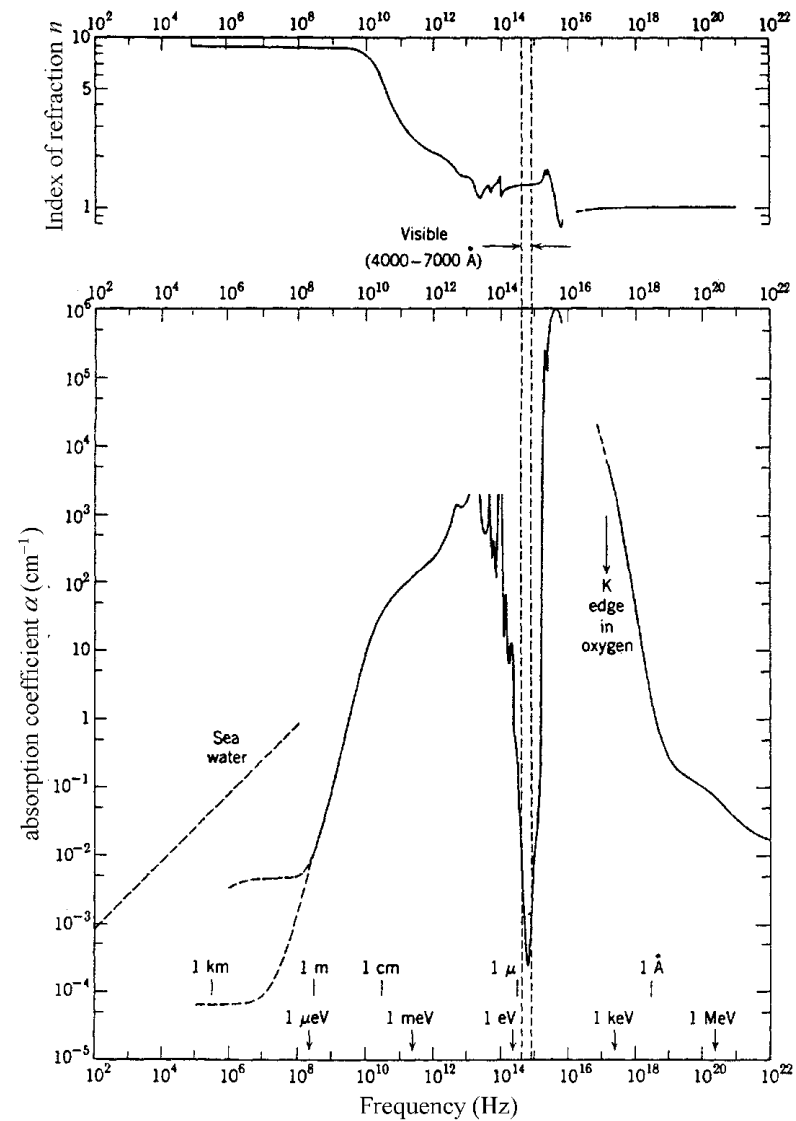
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A miraculous property of water:

The index of refraction (top) and absorption coefficient (bottom) for liquid water as a function of frequency in Hz [Sec. 7.5 (Part E)]

$$P \approx \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon'}{\mu}} |\mathbf{E}_0|^2 e^{-\alpha z}$$



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Case 2: Waves in a good conductor [Secs. 5.18 and 8.1, applicable to waves in metals under the condition $\omega \ll \gamma_0 \approx 4 \times 10^{13}/\text{s}$. see p. 312), i.e., for very low frequency (e.g. 60 Hz) up to near **terahertz** frequencies]

Definition of good conductor:

$$\epsilon = \underbrace{\epsilon_0 + \frac{Ne^2}{m} \sum_{j \text{ (bound)}} \frac{f_j}{\omega_j^2 - \omega^2 - i\omega\gamma_j}}_{\epsilon_b} + i \underbrace{\frac{Ne^2 f_0}{m\omega(\gamma_0 - i\omega)}}_{\frac{\sigma}{\omega}} \quad (7.51)$$

[In general, $\gamma_j < \omega_j$, see p. 310.
 \Rightarrow In general, $\text{Re}(\epsilon_b) \gg \text{Im}(\epsilon_b)$]

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon = \epsilon_b + i \frac{\sigma}{\omega}$$

$$\sigma = \frac{Ne^2 f_0}{m(\gamma_0 - i\omega)} \quad (7.58)$$

(7.56)

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Up to **low terahertz region**, we have $\omega \ll \gamma_0$
 (γ_0 is of the order of 4×10^{13} / s). Hence,

$$\sigma = \frac{Ne^2 f_0}{m(\gamma_0 - i\omega)} \approx \frac{Ne^2 f_0}{\gamma_0 m} = \frac{ne^2}{\gamma_0 m} \left[\begin{array}{l} \Rightarrow \text{When } \omega \ll \gamma_0, \sigma \approx \text{real} \\ \text{and is independent of } \omega. \\ (n : \text{free electron density}) \end{array} \right]$$

In $\epsilon = \epsilon_b + i\sigma / \omega$ [(7.56)], $\sigma / \omega \gg \text{Im}(\epsilon_b)$. So we may assume ϵ_b to be real. **A good conductor is defined by:** $\frac{\sigma}{\omega \epsilon_b} \gg 1$ (26)

$$\text{Quantitative examples: } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \epsilon_b \sim \epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ farad/m} \\ \sigma_{\text{copper}} \approx 5.9 \times 10^7 / \Omega\text{-m}, \sigma_{\text{graphite}} \approx 6 \times 10^4 / \Omega\text{-m} \\ \sigma_{\text{sea water}} \approx 6 / \Omega\text{-m}, \sigma_{\text{ground}} \approx 10^{-3} - 3.5 \times 10^{-2} / \Omega\text{-m} \\ f = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} = \begin{cases} 60 \text{ Hz for household current} \\ 0.3 - 300 \text{ GHz for microwaves} \end{cases} \end{array} \right.$$

Question: Why is it dangerous if an electrical appliance falls into your bath tub?

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Fields in a good conductor: For a good conductor ($\frac{\sigma}{\omega\epsilon_b} \gg 1$), we

have $\sqrt{\epsilon} = (\epsilon_b + i\frac{\sigma}{\omega})^{\frac{1}{2}} \approx (i\frac{\sigma}{\omega})^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{2\omega}}(1+i)$ $i^{\frac{1}{2}} = (e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}})^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1+i)$

$$\Rightarrow k = \sqrt{\mu\epsilon\omega} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu\sigma\omega}{2}}(1+i) = \frac{1+i}{\delta} \quad (\text{for forward wave}) \quad (5.164)$$

where $\delta \equiv \sqrt{\frac{2}{\mu\sigma\omega}}$ δ : skin depth
 μ is real by assumption. (5.165) and (8.8)

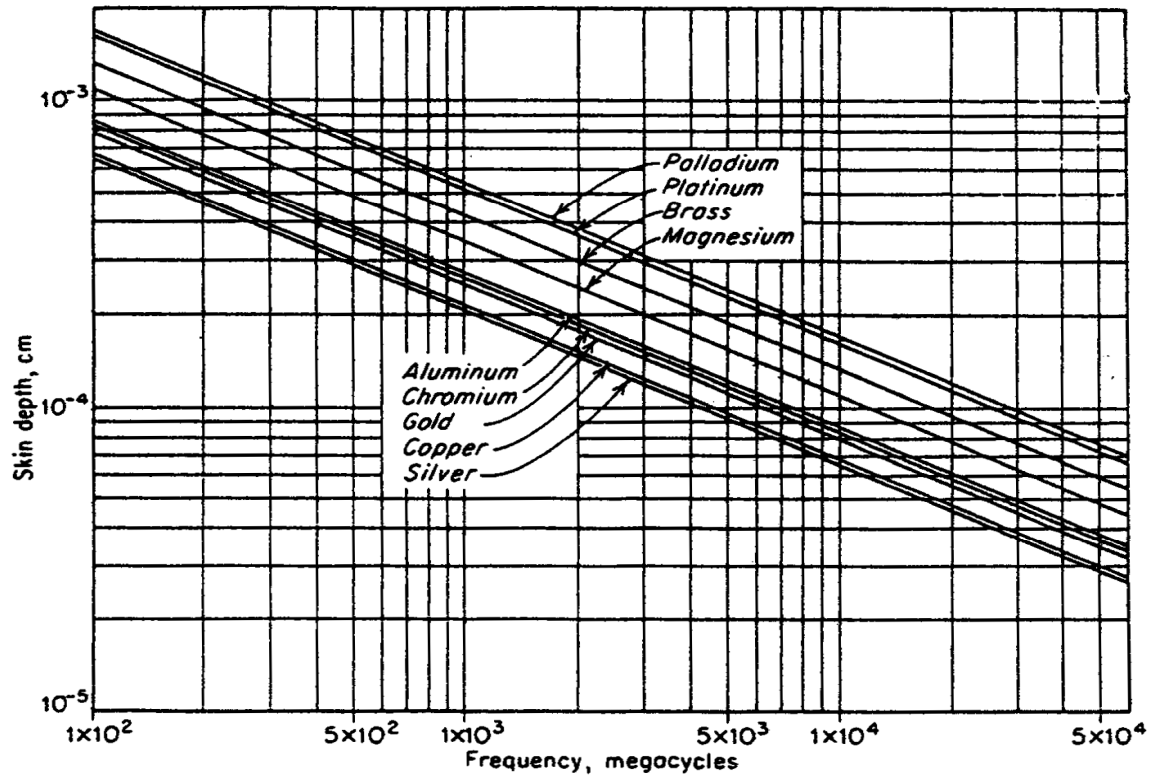
Let $\mathbf{E}_0 = E_0\mathbf{e}_x$, $\mathbf{n} = \mathbf{e}_z$. Then, $\mathbf{H}_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{\mu}}\mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{E}_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{\mu}}\mathbf{e}_z \times E_0\mathbf{e}_x = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{\mu}}E_0\mathbf{e}_y$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \mathbf{E}_0 e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x} - i\omega t} = E_0 e^{ikz - i\omega t} \mathbf{e}_x = E_0 e^{-\frac{z}{\delta}} e^{i(\frac{z}{\delta} - \omega t)} \mathbf{e}_x & (27) \\ \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \mathbf{H}_0 e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x} - i\omega t} = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{\mu}} E_0 \mathbf{e}_y e^{ikz - i\omega t} \\ \quad = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{2\mu\omega}} (1+i) E_0 e^{-\frac{z}{\delta}} e^{i(\frac{z}{\delta} - \omega t)} \mathbf{e}_y & (28) \end{cases}$$

(27) and (28) are equivalent to (8.11) and (8.9).

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Skin Depth. The skin depth δ is defined as the distance from the surface of a plane conductor at which the electric and magnetic fields have decreased to $1/e$ of their values at the surface.



Skin depth as a function of frequency for a few common metals. (From T. Moreno, "Microwave Transmission Design Data," McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1948.)

$$\text{Examples: } \delta_{\text{copper}} \approx \begin{cases} 0.85 \text{ cm at } f = 60 \text{ Hz (household current)} \\ 7 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm at } f = 10^{10} \text{ Hz (microwave)} \end{cases}$$

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Discussion :

(i) Rewrite
$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) = E_0 e^{-\frac{z}{\delta}} e^{i\left(\frac{z}{\delta} - \omega t\right)} \mathbf{e}_x \quad (27)$$

$$\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{2\mu\omega}} (1+i) E_0 e^{-\frac{z}{\delta}} e^{i\left(\frac{z}{\delta} - \omega t\right)} \mathbf{e}_y \quad (28)$$

\Rightarrow Inside the good conductor, the wave has a wavelength of $\lambda = 2\pi\delta$ and it damps by a factor of $1/e$ over a distance of δ .

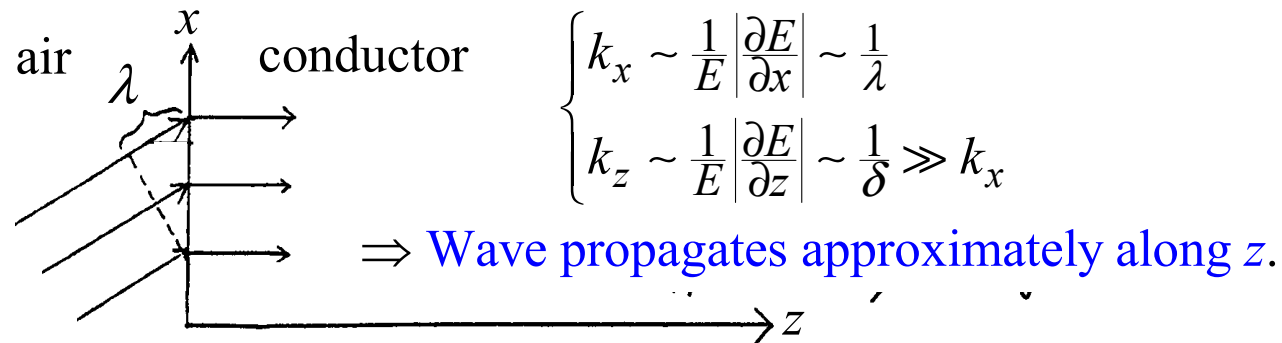
- (ii) \mathbf{E} and \mathbf{H} in a good conductor are 45° out of phase.
- (iii) The fields in a good conductor are similar to those in a lossy dielectric in that they both represent an attenuated plane wave with \mathbf{k} , \mathbf{E} , \mathbf{H} , mutually orthogonal. However, at the same frequency, the wavelength is much shorter and the attenuation constant much greater in the conductor than in the dielectric.

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Examples: Let $f = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} = 10^{10}$ Hz (typical microwave frequency)

glass ($\frac{\mu}{\mu_0} \approx 1, \frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon_0} \approx 4, \frac{\epsilon''}{\epsilon'} \approx 2.1 \times 10^{-4}$)	copper ($\delta \approx 7 \times 10^{-5}$ cm)
$\lambda = \frac{2\pi}{\beta} = \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{\mu\epsilon'}\omega} \approx 1.5$ cm (Case 1.2)	$\lambda = 2\pi\delta \approx 4.4 \times 10^{-4}$ cm
$\alpha = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \frac{\epsilon''}{\epsilon'} \approx 8.8 \times 10^{-4}$ cm ⁻¹ (7.55)	$\alpha = -\frac{1}{P} \frac{dP}{dz} = \frac{2}{\delta} \approx 4.5 \times 10^3$ cm ⁻¹

(iv) A wave incident from the outside into a good conductor (at any incident angle) will propagate and attenuate inside the conductor approximately along the normal to the surface (see Jackson Sec. 8.1). The reason is shown in the figure below.



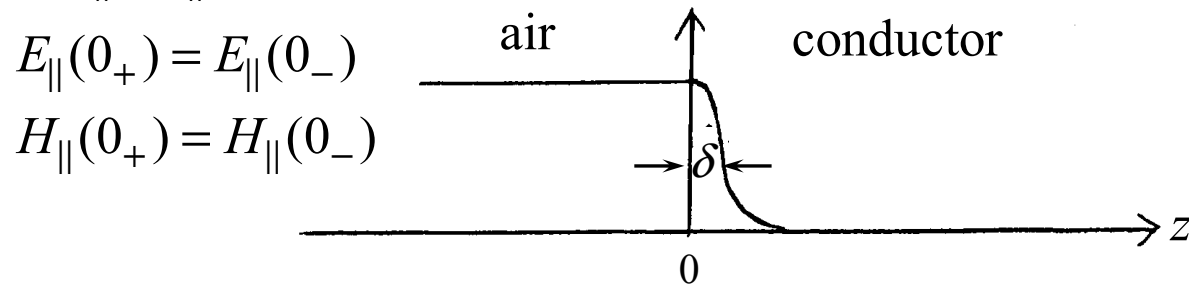
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Hence, we may approximately write the wave fields **inside the conductor** as (27) and (28), i.e., **E and H are parallel to the surface**, even if the wave is incident at an oblique angle into the conductor.

Question: Does it make sense to use power lines of very large diameter (e.g. 10 cm) in order to conduct higher current and hence transmit more power?

(v) The 2 homogeneous Maxwell equations require that E_{\parallel} and B_{\perp} be continuous across the conductor surface.

E_{\parallel} , H_{\parallel} (since $\delta \neq 0$, what happens to the surface current \mathbf{K} ?)



Note: The current density in a good conductor is finite unless $\delta = 0$ (or $\sigma = \infty$, i.e. the current flows on the surface).

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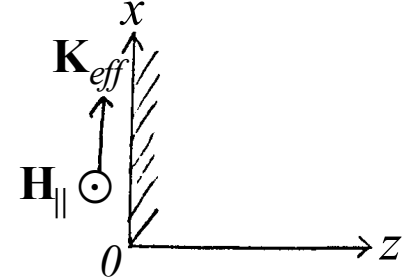
Surface current \mathbf{K}_{eff} on a good conductor :

If $\delta \neq 0$, the "surface" current \mathbf{K}_{eff} is not exactly on the surface, It is concentrated over a depth of \sim one skin depth. \mathbf{K}_{eff} (unit: A/m) is an integrated value of \mathbf{J} (unit: A/m^2) over the penetration depth.

$$\mathbf{K}_{eff} = \int_0^\infty \mathbf{J} dz = \sigma \int_0^\infty \mathbf{E} dz = \sigma E_0 e^{-i\omega t} \underbrace{\int_0^\infty e^{\frac{-1+i}{\delta} z} dz}_{\substack{= \frac{\delta}{1-i} = \frac{\delta(1+i)}{2} = \frac{(1+i)}{\sqrt{2\mu\sigma\omega}}} } dz \mathbf{e}_x$$

$\mathbf{E} = E_0 e^{-\frac{z}{\delta}} e^{i(\frac{z}{\delta} - \omega t)} \mathbf{e}_x \quad (27)$

$= \frac{\delta}{1-i} = \frac{\delta(1+i)}{2} = \frac{(1+i)}{\sqrt{2\mu\sigma\omega}}$



$$= \sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{2\mu\omega}} (1+i) E_0 e^{-i\omega t} \mathbf{e}_x = -\mathbf{e}_z \times \mathbf{H}(z=0) = -\mathbf{e}_z \times \mathbf{H}_{||}(z=0) \quad (29)$$

(29) here is (8.14) in Jackson; " $-\mathbf{e}_z$ " in (29) is " \mathbf{n} " in (8.14).

(29) shows that the surface current \mathbf{K}_{eff} on a good conductor depends only on the $\mathbf{H}_{||}$ on its surface. Physically, \mathbf{K}_{eff} is the response of the conductor in order to **shield its inside** from $\mathbf{H}_{||}$ (Faraday's law). Hence, **\mathbf{K}_{eff} is determined entirely by $\mathbf{H}_{||}$.**

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Time - averaged power loss on the surface of a good conductor:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dP_{loss}}{da} &= \frac{\text{power going into conductor}}{\text{unit area of conductor surface}} = \langle \mathbf{S}(z=0) \rangle_t \cdot \mathbf{e}_z \quad \langle \mathbf{S} \rangle_t \rightarrow \begin{array}{c} \text{diagonal lines} \\ \rightarrow \mathbf{e}_z \end{array} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \text{Re} \left[\mathbf{E}(z=0) \times \mathbf{H}^*(z=0) \right] \cdot \mathbf{e}_z \\ \text{(27), (28)} \rightarrow &= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{2\mu\omega}} |\mathbf{E}(0)|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{2\mu\omega}} |\mathbf{E}_{\parallel}(0)|^2 \quad [\mathbf{E}(0) \perp \mathbf{e}_z] \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

$$(27), (28) \Rightarrow |\mathbf{E}_{\parallel}(0)| = \sqrt{\frac{\mu\omega}{\sigma}} |\mathbf{H}_{\parallel}(0)| \quad (31)$$

$$\text{Sub. (31) into (30)} \Rightarrow \frac{dP_{loss}}{da} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\mu\omega}{2\sigma}} |\mathbf{H}_{\parallel}(0)|^2 \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{useful form to explain} \\ \text{induction heating} \end{array} \right]$$



$$\delta = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\mu\sigma\omega}} \rightarrow = \frac{1}{4} \mu\omega\delta |\mathbf{H}_{\parallel}(0)|^2 \quad (29) \quad (8.12)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sigma\delta} |\mathbf{H}_{\parallel}(0)|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sigma\delta} |\mathbf{K}_{eff}|^2 \quad (8.15)$$

Note: If there is reflection, $|\mathbf{H}_{\parallel}(0)|^2 = |\mathbf{H}_{\parallel \text{incident}}(0) + \mathbf{H}_{\parallel \text{reflected}}(0)|^2$

II. Properties of Plane Waves in Dielectrics and Conductors (continued)

dP_{loss}/da in (8.12), obtained by the Poynting vector method, can be shown to be exactly the **Ohmic power dissipated inside the conductor**.

$P_{resistive}$ = ohmic power in the conductor/unit volume

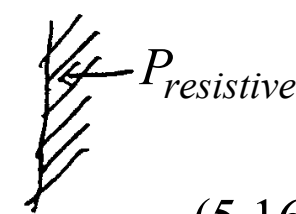
$$= \frac{1}{2} \text{Re}[\mathbf{J} \cdot \mathbf{E}^*] = \frac{1}{2} \sigma |\mathbf{E}|^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sigma |\mathbf{E}_0|^2 e^{-\frac{2z}{\delta}} = \frac{1}{2} \mu \omega |\mathbf{H}_0|^2 e^{-\frac{2z}{\delta}}$$

(27)

(28)

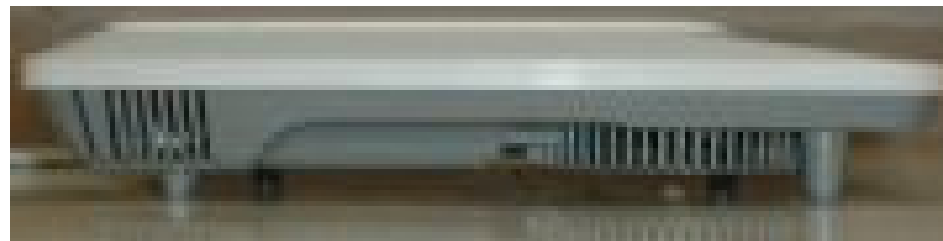
$$\mathbf{H}_0 = \mathbf{H}_{||}(z=0)$$



(5.169)

$$\frac{dP_{loss}}{da} = \int_0^{\infty} P_{resistive} dz = \frac{1}{2} \mu \omega |\mathbf{H}_0|^2 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\frac{2z}{\delta}} dz = \frac{1}{4} \mu \omega \delta |\mathbf{H}_0|^2 \left[\text{same as (8.12)} \right]$$

- Questions:**
1. Why does a microwave oven save energy?
 2. How would you design an induction cooker? **high μ and δ**



II. Properties of Plane Waves in Dielectrics and Conductors (continued)

Definitions: surface impedance Z_s , surface resistance R_s , and surface reactance X_s of metal

$$(27 + 29) \Rightarrow \mathbf{K}_{eff} = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{2\mu\omega}}(1+i)\mathbf{E}_{\parallel}(0) = \frac{\sigma\delta}{1-i}\mathbf{E}_{\parallel}(0) = \frac{\mathbf{E}_{\parallel}(0)}{Z_s} \left[\begin{array}{l} Z_s: \text{ratio of} \\ E_{\parallel}(0) \text{ to } K_{eff} \end{array} \right]$$

where $Z_s \equiv \frac{1-i}{\sigma\delta}$ [Jackson p. 356, bottom] is called the surface

impedance. We may write $\begin{cases} Z_s = R_s - iX_s \\ \text{where } R_s = X_s = \frac{1}{\sigma\delta} \end{cases}$, (32)

surface resistance

surface reactance

Example: R_s of copper $\approx 0.026 \Omega$ at 10 GHz

The surface impedance Z_s is an intrinsic property (rather than surface property) of metal. It is in fact the impedance of a good conductor:

$$Z_s = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\epsilon(\text{metal})}} = \frac{\sqrt{\mu}}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{2\omega}(1+i)}} = \frac{1-i}{\sqrt{\frac{2\sigma}{\mu\omega}}} = \frac{1-i}{\sigma\delta}$$

II. Properties of Plane Waves in Dielectrics and Conductors *(continued)*

Case 3: Waves at optical frequencies and beyond [Sec. 7.5 (Part D)]

Case 3.1: $\omega \gg \gamma_0$ but $\omega < \omega_j$ for all or some of the bound electrons
 [a subcase of Sec. 7.5 (Part D), pp. 313-4, total reflection of light off the mirror and ultraviolet transparency of metals)

$$\varepsilon = \varepsilon_0 + \underbrace{\frac{Ne^2}{m} \sum_{j \text{ (bound)}} \frac{f_j}{\omega_j^2 - \omega^2 - i\omega\gamma_j}}_{\varepsilon_b} + i \underbrace{\frac{Ne^2 f_0}{m\omega(\gamma_0 - i\omega)}}_{\approx -\frac{Ne^2 f_0}{m\omega^2}} \quad (7.51)$$

$\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{In general, } \gamma_j < \omega_j, \text{ see p. 310.} \\ \Rightarrow \text{In general, } \text{Re}(\varepsilon_b) \gg \text{Im}(\varepsilon_b) \end{array} \right) \quad (\because \omega \gg \gamma_0)$

The free electron term is predominantly imaginary when $\omega \ll \gamma_0$. But, as shown above, when $\omega \gg \gamma_0$, it becomes predominantly real, a qualitative departure from Case 2. This radically changes the metal response to EM waves. Examples are given below and in Case 3.2. *Question:* What is the physical reason for the free electron term to become predominantly real when $\omega \gg \gamma_0$?

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Let $n = Nf_0$ be the free electron density in the conductor ($f_0 \sim 1$, i.e., each atom in the conductor contains on average approximately one free electron, see p.312), we obtain from (7.51)

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_b - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2} \epsilon_0$$

where ω_p is the plasma frequency of the conduction electrons

$$\omega_p^2 = \frac{ne^2}{m^* \epsilon_0} \quad [\text{See bottom of p.313.}]$$

and we have replaced m in (7.51) with the effective mass m^* of the conduction electrons to account for the effects of binding. For simplicity, we assume ϵ_b to be real by neglecting the weak damping effects of bound electrons.

II. Properties of Plane Waves in Dielectrics and Conductors (*continued*)

Substituting $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_b - \omega_p^2 \varepsilon_0 / \omega^2$ into $k = \sqrt{\mu \varepsilon} \omega$, we obtain

$$k = \sqrt{\mu \left(\varepsilon_b - \frac{\omega_p^2 \varepsilon_0}{\omega^2} \right)} \omega$$

Hence, k is either real (propagation without attenuation) or purely imaginary (evanescent fields) depending on the wave frequency.

When $\omega < \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon_0}{\varepsilon_b}} \omega_p$, $\varepsilon < 0$ and $k = i \sqrt{\mu \left(\frac{\omega_p^2 \varepsilon_0}{\omega^2} - \varepsilon_b \right)} \omega = i |k|$. Then,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{E} = E_0 e^{ikz - i\omega t} \mathbf{e}_x = E_0 e^{-|k|z - i\omega t} \mathbf{e}_x \end{array} \right. \quad (33)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{H} = \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon}{\mu}} \mathbf{e}_z \times \mathbf{E} = i \sqrt{\frac{|\varepsilon|}{\mu}} E_0 e^{-|k|z - i\omega t} \mathbf{e}_y \end{array} \right. \quad (34)$$

$$\boxed{(24)}$$

$$\boxed{\sqrt{\varepsilon} = \sqrt{-|\varepsilon|} = i \sqrt{|\varepsilon|}}$$

II. Properties of Plane Waves in Dielectrics and Conductors (*continued*)

$\mathbf{E} = E_0 e^{-|k|z - i\omega t} \mathbf{e}_x$ in (33) and $\mathbf{H} = i\sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{\mu}} E_0 e^{-|k|z - i\omega t} \mathbf{e}_y$ in (34) are evanescent fields which fall off exponentially inside the conductor. They do not constitute a propagating wave. This is because \mathbf{E} and \mathbf{H} are 90° out of phase. Hence, $\text{Re}[\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}^*] = 0 \Rightarrow$ No power flow into the conductor. Thus, an incident wave will be totally reflected from the conductor surface, with (33) and (34) representing the shallow fringe fields inside the conductor. This is the principle of “light reflection off the mirror”. By comparison, for microwave reflection off a good conductor (Case 2), \mathbf{E} and \mathbf{H} are 45° out of phase in the conductor \Rightarrow Some power flows into the conductor.

At higher frequencies ($\omega > \sqrt{\epsilon_0 / \epsilon_b} \omega_p$), $\epsilon = \epsilon_b - \omega_p^2 \epsilon_0 / \omega^2 > 0$. Hence, $k (= \sqrt{\mu \epsilon} \omega)$ becomes real. The wave can then propagate freely. This is the principle of “ultraviolet transparency of metals”.

Question: Why can the wave propagate without attenuation in a conductor? (see discussion at the end of Case 3.2.)

II. Properties of Plane Waves in Dielectrics and Conductors (*continued*)

Case 3.2: $\omega \gg \gamma_j$ and $\omega \gg \omega_j$ for all electrons in the medium
 [a subcase of Sec. 7.5 (Part D), p. 313, applicable to X-ray frequencies and beyond]

Under the conditions $\omega \gg \gamma_j$ (including γ_0) and $\omega \gg \omega_j$, we may neglect γ_j and ω_j in (7.51),

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_0 + \underbrace{\frac{Ne^2}{m} \sum_{j \text{ (bound)}} \frac{f_j}{\omega_j^2 - \omega^2 - i\omega\gamma_j}}_{\approx -\frac{NZe^2}{m\omega^2} \text{ (use } \sum_{j \text{ (all)}} f_j = Z)} + i \frac{Ne^2 f_0}{m\omega(\gamma_0 - i\omega)} \quad (7.51)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon_0} = 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}, \quad (7.59)$$

$$\text{where } \omega_p^2 \equiv \frac{NZe^2}{m\epsilon_0} \left[\begin{array}{l} NZ \text{ is the density of all electrons} \\ \text{(bound and free) in the medium.} \end{array} \right] \quad (7.60)$$

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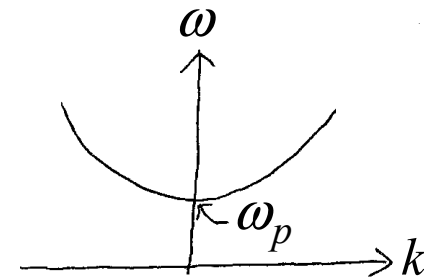
Substitute $\frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon_0} = 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}$ into $k = \sqrt{\mu\epsilon\omega}$ and assume $\mu = \mu_0$, we obtain

$$k^2 = \mu\epsilon\omega^2 = \underbrace{\mu_0\epsilon_0}_{1/c^2} \left(1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}\right)\omega^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega^2 = k^2 c^2 + \omega_p^2 \quad (7.61)$$

Although (7.61) predicts evanescent fields for $\omega < \omega_p$, the validity of (7.61) requires $\omega \gg \gamma_j$ and $\omega \gg \omega_j$ for all the electrons in the medium. This in turn requires $\omega \gg \omega_p$. Hence, k is always real and the wave is always a propagating wave in the medium under the validity condition for (7.61).

The above treatment for Case 3.2 applies to both dielectric and conducting media.



II. Properties of Plane Waves in Dielectrics and Conductors (*continued*)

Discussion: To examine the physical reason why we may neglect collisions and binding forces in (7.51) under the conditions $\omega \gg \gamma_j$ and $\omega \gg \omega_j$, we go back to the equation of motion for the electrons:

$$m(\ddot{\mathbf{x}} + \gamma_j \dot{\mathbf{x}} + \omega_j^2 \mathbf{x}) = -e\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) \quad (7.49)$$

By assuming $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \mathbf{E}(0)e^{-i\omega t}$, we obtain [see Eq. (1)]

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = -\frac{e}{m} \frac{\mathbf{E}(0)e^{-i\omega t}}{\omega_j^2 - \omega^2 - i\omega\gamma_j} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \frac{e}{m} \frac{i\omega\mathbf{E}(0)e^{-i\omega t}}{\omega_j^2 - \omega^2 - i\omega\gamma_j}$$

Thus, when $\omega \gg \gamma_j$ and ω_j , we have $\mathbf{x}(t) \propto 1/\omega^2$ and $\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) \propto 1/\omega$. This implies that, for the same $\mathbf{E}(0)$, the collisional damping force ($m\gamma_j \dot{\mathbf{x}} \propto 1/\omega$) and the binding force ($m\omega_j^2 \mathbf{x} \propto 1/\omega^2$) decrease with increasing ω and become negligible at a sufficiently large ω .
Exercise: Explain " $m\gamma_j \dot{\mathbf{x}} \propto 1/\omega$ " and " $m\omega_j^2 \mathbf{x} \propto 1/\omega^2$ " qualitatively from the simple case of constant acceleration a : $v = at$ and $x = \frac{1}{2}at^2$.

II. Properties of Plane Waves in Dielectrics and Conductors *(continued)*

Case 4: Waves in plasmas [a subcase of Sec. 7.5 (Part D), p. 313]

The plasma is a partially ionized (e.g., ionosphere) or fully ionized (e.g., fusion plasmas) gas. In general, effects of neutral gas (if present) and collisions can both be neglected. Ion motion can also be neglected at sufficiently high frequencies. Then,

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_0 + \underbrace{\frac{Ne^2}{m} \sum_{j \text{ (bound)}} \frac{f_j}{\omega_j^2 - \omega^2 - i\omega\gamma_j}}_{\text{negligible}} + i \underbrace{\frac{Ne^2 f_0}{m\omega(\gamma_0 - i\omega)}}_{\approx -\frac{Ne^2 f_0}{m\omega^2} (\gamma_0 \rightarrow 0)} \quad (7.51)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon_0} = 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2} \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{same equation as (7.59) but} \\ \text{with a much smaller } \omega_p \end{array} \right] \quad (35)$$

where ω_p is the plasma frequency defined as

$$\omega_p^2 \equiv \frac{ne^2}{\epsilon_0 m} \left[\begin{array}{l} n = Nf_0 = \text{plasma electron density, normally} \\ \text{much smaller than the density of solids.} \end{array} \right] \quad (36)$$

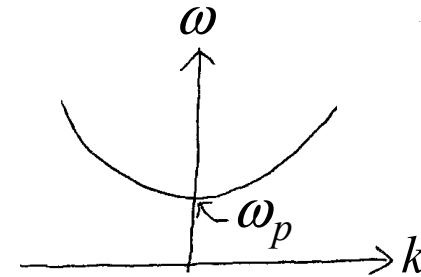
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Substituting $\frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon_0} = 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}$ into $k = \sqrt{\mu\epsilon}\omega$, we obtain

$$k^2 = \mu\epsilon\omega^2 = \underbrace{\frac{1}{c^2}}_{\mu_0\epsilon_0} \left(1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}\right)\omega^2 \quad (\mu = \mu_0 \text{ for plasmas})$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega^2 = k^2 c^2 + \omega_p^2 \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{same equation as (7.61) but} \\ \text{with a much smaller } \omega_p^2 \end{array} \right] \quad (37)$$

(37) is the well known dispersion relation for electromagnetic waves in a plasma in the absence of an externally applied static magnetic field. (Sec. 7.6 considers the dispersion relation for a magnetized plasma.) When ω is extremely large (such as the gamma ray), all materials have a dispersion relation given by (37) (Case 3.2). But for the plasma, (37) is valid for all frequencies (e.g. MHz).



II. Properties of Plane Waves in Dielectrics and Conductors *(continued)*

Rewrite
$$\omega^2 = k^2 c^2 + \omega_p^2 \quad (37)$$

For $\omega < \omega_p$, k is purely imaginary ($k = i |k|$) and hence \mathbf{E} and \mathbf{H} are evanescent fields given by (33) and (34):

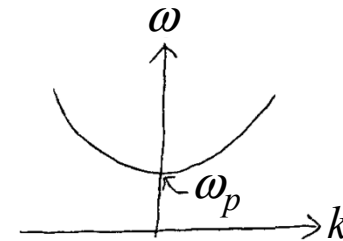
$$\mathbf{E} = E_0 e^{-|k|z - i\omega t} \mathbf{e}_x ; \quad \mathbf{H} = i \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{\mu}} E_0 e^{-|k|z - i\omega t} \mathbf{e}_y$$

As in the case of light reflection off the mirror, an incident wave will be totally reflected [Shortwave broadcasting exploits the reflection of radio waves (~ 10 MHz) off the ionosphere].

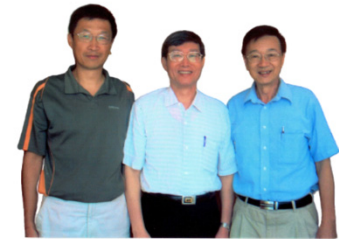
For $\omega > \omega_p$, k is real. Hence, the wave will propagate in the plasma, but with a phase velocity greater than the speed of light [as can be seen from (37)]. This implies that the plasma has an index of refraction (n)

less than 1. From (35), we have $\frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon_0} = 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2} < 1$. Thus,

with $\mu = \mu_0$, we have $n = \sqrt{\frac{\mu\epsilon}{\mu_0\epsilon_0}} < 1$, as expected.



7.3 Reflection and Refraction of Electromagnetic Waves at a Plane Interface Between Dielectrics



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Model:

$\mu', \epsilon' [n' = \sqrt{\frac{\mu' \epsilon'}{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}}]$
 $\mu, \epsilon [n = \sqrt{\frac{\mu \epsilon}{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}}]$

$\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{E}_0 e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x} - i\omega t}$
 $\mathbf{B} = \sqrt{\mu \epsilon} \frac{\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E}}{k}$

incident wave (a given linearly polarized homogeneous plane wave)

$\mathbf{E}' = \mathbf{E}'_0 e^{i\mathbf{k}' \cdot \mathbf{x} - i\omega t}$
 $\mathbf{B}' = \sqrt{\mu' \epsilon'} \frac{\mathbf{k}' \times \mathbf{E}'}{k'}$

refracted wave (assumed)

$\mathbf{E}'' = \mathbf{E}''_0 e^{i\mathbf{k}'' \cdot \mathbf{x} - i\omega t}$
 $\mathbf{B}'' = \sqrt{\mu \epsilon} \frac{\mathbf{k}'' \times \mathbf{E}''}{k''}$

reflected wave (assumed)

Note: In Case 1.2 of Part II, $n \equiv \frac{c}{v} = \text{Re} \sqrt{\frac{\mu \epsilon}{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}}$. Here, $n \equiv \sqrt{\frac{\mu \epsilon}{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}}$.

Kinematic properties: relations between angles of incidence, reflection, and refraction

Dynamic properties: intensity, phase, and polarization relations

7.3 Reflection and Refraction... (continued)

Kinematic Properties :

Boundary conditions for the fields at $z = 0$ have the form:

$$Xe^{ik_x x + ik_y y} + Ye^{ik''_x x + ik''_y y} = Ze^{ik'_x x + ik'_y y} \text{ at any } x \text{ and } y,$$

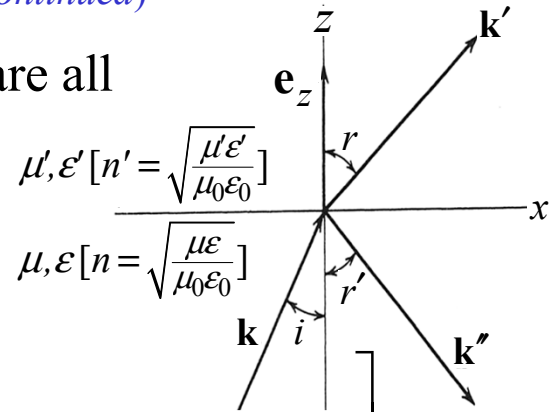
where X , Y , and Z are functions of the fields [see (7.37)]. Since $e^{ik_x x}$, $e^{ik'_x x}$, $e^{ik''_x x}$ are linearly independent, we must have $k_x = k''_x = k'_x$. Otherwise, we will have the trivial condition $X = Y = Z = 0$. For the same reason, $k_y = k''_y = k'_y$. Hence, \mathbf{k} , \mathbf{k}'' , and \mathbf{k}' lie in the same plane.

Without loss of generality, we choose a convenient coordinate system in which $k_y = k''_y = k'_y = 0$. Then, \mathbf{k} , \mathbf{k}'' , and \mathbf{k}' all lie in the x - z plane, which we call the plane of incidence.

Reflection and Refraction... (continued)

Assume $\epsilon, \epsilon', \mu,$ and μ' (hence n and n') are all

real numbers. Let
$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{k} = k \sin i \mathbf{e}_x + k \cos i \mathbf{e}_z \\ \mathbf{k}'' = k \sin r' \mathbf{e}_x - k \cos r' \mathbf{e}_z \\ \mathbf{k}' = k' \sin r \mathbf{e}_x + k' \cos r \mathbf{e}_z \end{cases}$$



$$(16) \Rightarrow \begin{cases} k = \sqrt{\mu\epsilon}\omega = \frac{\omega}{c} n & \left[c = 1 / \sqrt{\mu_0\epsilon_0}, \right. \\ k' = \sqrt{\mu'\epsilon'}\omega = \frac{\omega}{c} n' & \left. n = \sqrt{\mu\epsilon / \mu_0\epsilon_0}, n' = \sqrt{\mu'\epsilon' / \mu_0\epsilon_0} \right] \end{cases}$$

$$k_x = k'_x = k''_x \Rightarrow \begin{cases} i = r' \quad (\text{angle of incidence} = \text{angle of reflection}) \\ \frac{\sin i}{\sin r} = \frac{k'}{k} = \frac{n'}{n} \quad (\text{Snell's law}) \end{cases} \quad (7.36)$$

A note on Jackson (7.33):

snail



$$\begin{cases} k^2 \equiv \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{k} \\ |\mathbf{k}|^2 \equiv \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{k}^* \end{cases} \Rightarrow \text{In general, } \begin{cases} k^2 \neq |\mathbf{k}|^2 \text{ and } k \neq |\mathbf{k}| \\ k \text{ can be complex, but } |\mathbf{k}| \text{ is} \\ \text{always real and positive.} \end{cases}$$

Thus, Jackson's formula $k = |\mathbf{k}|$ in (7.33) is valid only when \mathbf{k} is real.

Reflection and Refraction... (continued)

Dynamic Properties :

Information concerning the *intensity*, *phase*, and *polarization* is contained in the complex \mathbf{E}_0 , \mathbf{E}'_0 , and \mathbf{E}''_0 . The intensity, phase, and polarization of reflected and refracted waves with respect to those of the incident wave can be obtained from the boundary conditions at $z = 0$:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} D_{\perp} \text{ continuous} \Rightarrow [\varepsilon(\mathbf{E}_0 + \mathbf{E}''_0) - \varepsilon'\mathbf{E}'_0] \cdot \mathbf{e}_z = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad (39)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} B_{\perp} \text{ continuous} \Rightarrow [\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E}_0 + \mathbf{k}'' \times \mathbf{E}''_0 - \mathbf{k}' \times \mathbf{E}'_0] \cdot \mathbf{e}_z = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad (40)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} E_{\parallel} \text{ continuous} \Rightarrow [\mathbf{E}_0 + \mathbf{E}''_0 - \mathbf{E}'_0] \times \mathbf{e}_z = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad (41)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} H_{\parallel} \text{ continuous} \Rightarrow \left[\frac{1}{\mu} (\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E}_0 + \mathbf{k}'' \times \mathbf{E}''_0) - \frac{1}{\mu'} (\mathbf{k}' \times \mathbf{E}'_0) \right] \times \mathbf{e}_z = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad (42)$$

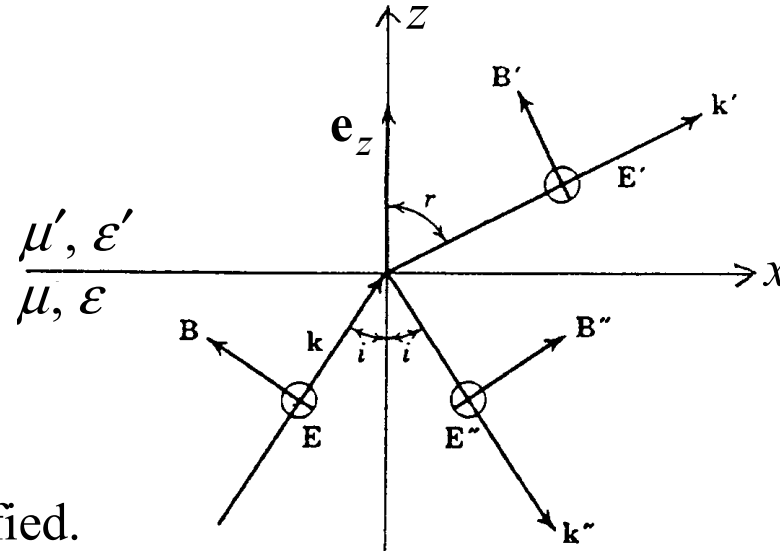
Note: (1) Here, ε , ε' , μ , and μ' (hence n and n') are in general complex numbers (see first paragraph of Jackson, p. 306.) We assume that ε (or ε') is the generalized electric permittivity. Hence, the results derived below apply to any media (including metal).

(2) For a complex n (or n'), the phase velocity is the speed of light divided by $\text{Re}[n]$. [See lecture notes, the equation before (25)].

Reflection and Refraction... (continued)

Case 1: $\mathbf{E}_0 \perp$ plane of incidence (the $x - z$ plane)

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{k} = k_x \mathbf{e}_x + k_z \mathbf{e}_z \\ \mathbf{k}' = k_x \mathbf{e}_x + k'_z \mathbf{e}_z \\ \mathbf{k}'' = k_x \mathbf{e}_x - k'_z \mathbf{e}_z \\ \mathbf{E} = E_0 \mathbf{e}_y \\ \mathbf{E}' = E'_0 \mathbf{e}_y \\ \mathbf{E}'' = E''_0 \mathbf{e}_y \end{cases}$$



(39) is automatically satisfied.

$$\begin{aligned} (40) \Rightarrow (k_x E_0 \mathbf{e}_z - k_z E_0 \mathbf{e}_x) \cdot \mathbf{e}_z + (k_x E'_0 \mathbf{e}_z + k_z E'_0 \mathbf{e}_x) \cdot \mathbf{e}_z \\ - (k_x E''_0 \mathbf{e}_z - k'_z E''_0 \mathbf{e}_x) \cdot \mathbf{e}_z = 0 \\ \Rightarrow E_0 + E'_0 - E''_0 = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (43)$$

(41) also gives (43).

Reflection and Refraction... (continued)

$$\begin{aligned}
 (42) \Rightarrow & \frac{1}{\mu} (k_x E_0 \mathbf{e}_z - k_z E_0 \mathbf{e}_x) \times \mathbf{e}_z + \frac{1}{\mu} (k_x E_0'' \mathbf{e}_z + k_z E_0'' \mathbf{e}_x) \times \mathbf{e}_z \\
 & - \frac{1}{\mu'} (k_x E_0' \mathbf{e}_z - k_z' E_0' \mathbf{e}_x) \times \mathbf{e}_z = 0 \\
 \Rightarrow & \frac{1}{\mu} k_z (E_0 - E_0'') - \frac{1}{\mu'} k_z' E_0' = 0 \quad \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} k_z = k \cos i = \frac{\omega}{c} n \cos i \\ k_z' = k' \cos r = \frac{\omega}{c} n' \cos r \end{array} \\
 \Rightarrow & \frac{n}{\mu} (E_0 - E_0'') \cos i - \frac{n'}{\mu'} E_0' \cos r = 0 \tag{44}
 \end{aligned}$$

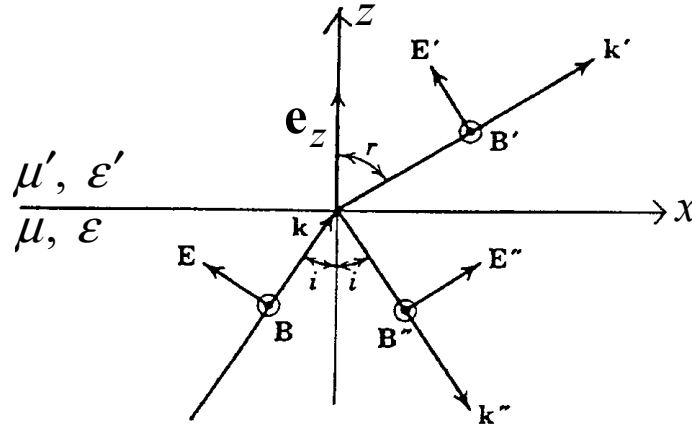
$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (43) \\ (44) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{E_0'}{E_0} = \frac{2n \cos i}{n \cos i + \frac{\mu}{\mu'} \sqrt{n'^2 - n^2 \sin^2 i}} = \frac{2n \cos i}{n \cos i + \frac{\mu}{\mu'} n' \cos r} \\ \frac{E_0''}{E_0} = \frac{n \cos i - \frac{\mu}{\mu'} \sqrt{n'^2 - n^2 \sin^2 i}}{n \cos i + \frac{\mu}{\mu'} \sqrt{n'^2 - n^2 \sin^2 i}} = \frac{n \cos i - \frac{\mu}{\mu'} n' \cos r}{n \cos i + \frac{\mu}{\mu'} n' \cos r} \end{cases} \tag{7.39'}$$

Reflection and Refraction... (continued)

Case 2: $\mathbf{E}_0 \parallel$ plane of incidence

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{k} = k(\sin i \mathbf{e}_x + \cos i \mathbf{e}_z) \\ \mathbf{k}' = k'(\sin r \mathbf{e}_x + \cos r \mathbf{e}_z) \\ \mathbf{k}'' = k''(\sin i \mathbf{e}_x - \cos i \mathbf{e}_z) \end{cases} \quad (45)$$

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{E}_0 = E_0(-\cos i \mathbf{e}_x + \sin i \mathbf{e}_z) \\ \mathbf{E}'_0 = E'_0(-\cos r \mathbf{e}_x + \sin r \mathbf{e}_z) \\ \mathbf{E}''_0 = E''_0(\cos i \mathbf{e}_x + \sin i \mathbf{e}_z) \end{cases} \quad (46)$$



Substituting (45) and (46) into (39)-(42) yields

$$\begin{cases} \frac{E'_0}{E_0} = \frac{2nn' \cos i}{\frac{\mu}{\mu'} n'^2 \cos i + n\sqrt{n'^2 - n^2 \sin^2 i}} = \frac{2n \cos i}{\frac{\mu}{\mu'} n' \cos i + n \cos r} \\ \frac{E''_0}{E_0} = \frac{\frac{\mu}{\mu'} n'^2 \cos i - n\sqrt{n'^2 - n^2 \sin^2 i}}{\frac{\mu}{\mu'} n'^2 \cos i + n\sqrt{n'^2 - n^2 \sin^2 i}} = \frac{\frac{\mu}{\mu'} n' \cos i - n \cos r}{\frac{\mu}{\mu'} n' \cos i + n \cos r} \end{cases} \quad (7.41)$$

Reflection and Refraction... (continued)

For normal incidence ($i = r = 0$), (7.39) reduces to

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{E'_0}{E_0} = \frac{2}{1 + \sqrt{\frac{\mu\varepsilon'}{\mu'\varepsilon}}} \mu \rightarrow \mu' \frac{2n}{n+n'} \\ \frac{E''_0}{E_0} = \frac{1 - \sqrt{\frac{\mu\varepsilon'}{\mu'\varepsilon}}}{1 + \sqrt{\frac{\mu\varepsilon'}{\mu'\varepsilon}}} \mu \rightarrow \mu' \frac{n-n'}{n+n'} \end{array} \right. \quad (47)$$

and (7.41) reduces to

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{E'_0}{E_0} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\frac{\mu\varepsilon'}{\mu'\varepsilon}} + 1} \mu \rightarrow \mu' \frac{2n}{n'+n} \\ \frac{E''_0}{E_0} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{\mu\varepsilon'}{\mu'\varepsilon}} - 1}{\sqrt{\frac{\mu\varepsilon'}{\mu'\varepsilon}} + 1} \mu \rightarrow \mu' \frac{n'-n}{n'+n} \end{array} \right. \quad (7.42)$$

These two limiting results are identical and show that, if $n' > n$, there is a phase reversal of the reflected wave at the interface.

Self-learning

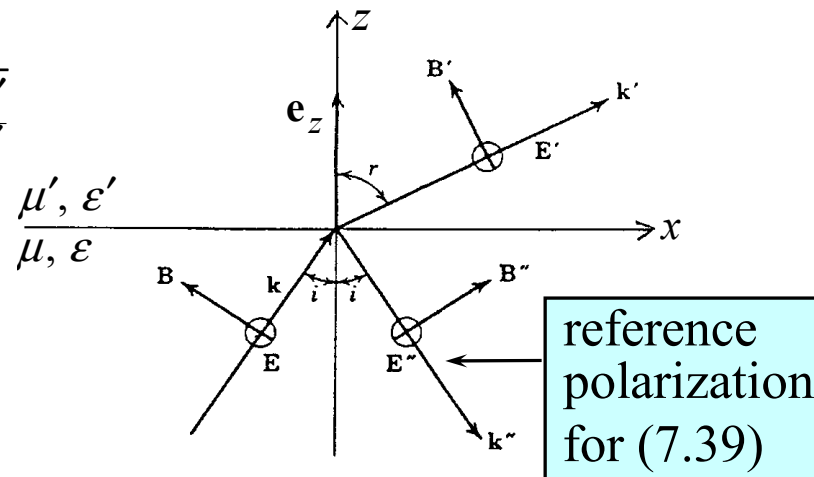
Reflection and Refraction... (continued)

The results for normal incidence ($i = r = 0$) can be expressed in terms of the impedance of the two media [The impedance of the medium is defined on p. 297 and in the lecture notes following (7.11)]:

$$\begin{cases} Z \text{ (lower medium)} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\epsilon}} \\ Z' \text{ (upper medium)} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu'}{\epsilon'}} \end{cases}$$

Thus, (7.39) reduces to

$$\begin{cases} \frac{E'_0}{E_0} = \frac{2Z'}{Z' + Z} \\ \frac{E''_0}{E_0} = \frac{Z' - Z}{Z' + Z} \end{cases}$$



If the lower medium is vacuum and the upper medium is copper, we have

$$\begin{cases} Z = Z_0 = 376.7 \, \Omega \text{ [lecture notes following (7.11)]} \\ Z' = Z_s \approx (0.026 - i0.026) \, \Omega \text{ for copper at 10 GHz [(32)]} \end{cases}$$

Thus, $E'' / E_0 \approx -1$, i.e. almost all of the incident wave will be reflected with a phase reversal of the reflected wave at the interface.

7.4. Polarization by Reflection and Total Internal Reflection

Brewster's Angle i_B : (for $\mathbf{E}_0 \parallel$ plane of incidence)

$$\text{Re write } \begin{cases} \frac{E'_0}{E_0} = \frac{2n \cos i}{\frac{\mu}{\mu'} n' \cos i + n \cos r} \\ \frac{E''_0}{E_0} = \frac{\frac{\mu}{\mu'} n' \cos i - n \cos r}{\frac{\mu}{\mu'} n' \cos i + n \cos r} \end{cases} \quad (7.41)$$

Assume ε , ε' , μ , and μ' (hence n and n') are all real numbers.

Let $\mu = \mu'$. We see that, if $i = i_B$, where i_B satisfies

$$n' \cos i_B = n \cos r, \text{ then } E''_0 = 0, \text{ i.e., there will be no reflected wave.}$$

$$\text{Snell's law: } n \sin i_B = n' \sin r \rightarrow n \cos r = n \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 r} = \frac{n}{n'} \sqrt{n'^2 - n^2 \sin^2 i_B}$$

$$\Rightarrow n'^2 \cos i_B = n \sqrt{n'^2 - n^2 \sin^2 i_B}$$

* Upon reflection at the incident angle $i = i_B$, waves with mixed polarization become linearly polarized with $\mathbf{E}_0 \perp$ plane of incidence.

7.4. Polarization by Reflection and Total Internal Reflection (continued)

Calculation of i_B :

$$\text{Rewrite } n'^2 \cos i_B = n \sqrt{n'^2 - n^2 \sin^2 i_B}$$

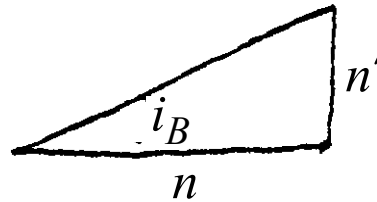
$$\Rightarrow n'^4 \cos^2 i_B = n^2 (n'^2 - n^2 \sin^2 i_B)$$

$$\Rightarrow n'^4 (1 - \sin^2 i_B) = n^2 n'^2 - n^4 \sin^2 i_B$$

$$\Rightarrow (n^4 - n'^4) \sin^2 i_B = n'^2 (n^2 - n'^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^2 i_B = \frac{n'^2}{n^2 + n'^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan i_B = \frac{n'}{n}$$



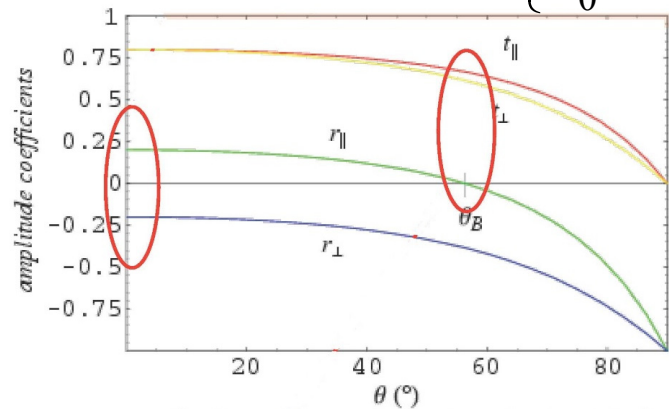
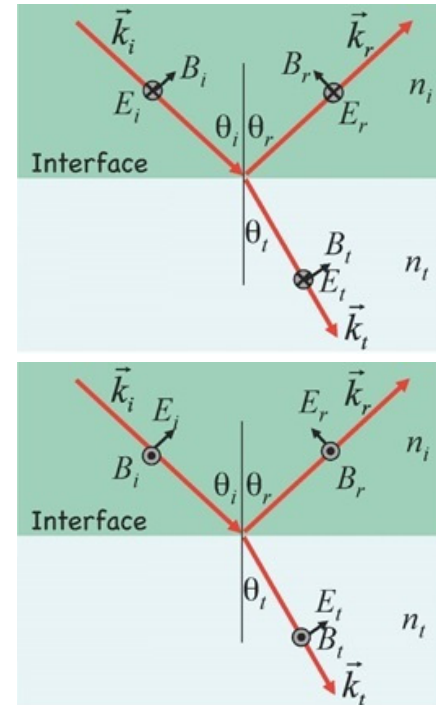
(7.43)

Reflection and Transmission

$$\mathbf{E}_0 \perp \text{plane of incidence} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{E'_0}{E_0} = t_{\perp} = \frac{2n \cos i}{n \cos i + n' \cos r} \\ \frac{E''_0}{E_0} = r_{\perp} = \frac{n \cos i - n' \cos r}{n \cos i + n' \cos r} \end{array} \right.$$

non-permeable $\mu = \mu_0$

$$\mathbf{E}_0 \parallel \text{plane of incidence} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{E'_0}{E_0} = t_{\parallel} = \frac{2n \cos i}{n' \cos i + n \cos r} \\ \frac{E''_0}{E_0} = r_{\parallel} = \frac{n' \cos i - n \cos r}{n' \cos i + n \cos r} \end{array} \right.$$



reflection and transmission at an air-glass interface

How can r_{\perp} differ from r_{\parallel} at $i = 0$?

Why isn't $t_{\parallel} = 1$ when $r_{\parallel} = 0$ at $i = i_B$?

If none of the field is reflected, shouldn't it all be transmitted?

7.4. Polarization by Reflection and Total Internal Reflection (continued)

Total Internal Reflection: (occurs only when $n > n'$)

Assume ε , ε' , μ , and μ' (hence n and n') are all real and $n > n'$.

$$\text{Let } \begin{cases} \mathbf{k} = k \sin i \mathbf{e}_x + k \cos i \mathbf{e}_z \\ \mathbf{k}' = k' \sin r \mathbf{e}_x + k' \cos r \mathbf{e}_z \end{cases}$$

Snell's law, $\frac{\sin i}{\sin r} = \frac{n'}{n}$ [(7.36)], can

be written: $\sin r = \frac{\sin i}{\sin i_0}$,

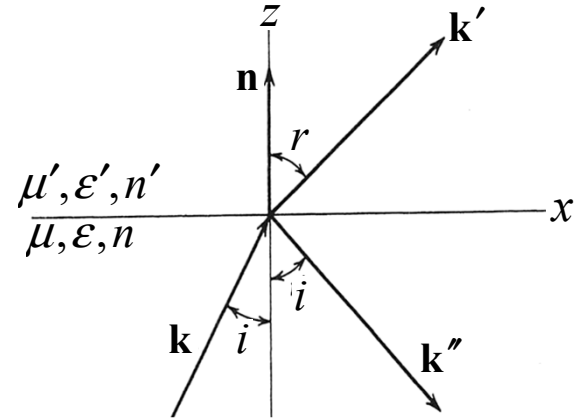
where $i_0 \equiv \sin^{-1} \frac{n'}{n}$ [$< 90^\circ$, $\because n > n'$].

Thus, if $i > i_0$, we have

$$\sin r = \frac{\sin i}{\sin i_0} > 1 \Rightarrow \cos r = \underbrace{[1 - \sin^2 r]}_{< 0}^{1/2} = i \left[\left(\frac{\sin i}{\sin i_0} \right)^2 - 1 \right]^{1/2}$$

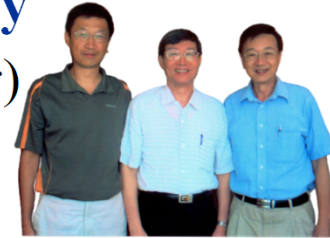
\Rightarrow The propagation factor ($e^{i\mathbf{k}' \cdot \mathbf{x}}$) of the refracted wave behaves as

$$e^{i\mathbf{k}' \cdot \mathbf{x}} = e^{ik'(x \sin r + z \cos r)} = \underbrace{e^{-k' \left[\left(\frac{\sin i}{\sin i_0} \right)^2 - 1 \right]^{1/2} z} e^{ik' \frac{\sin i}{\sin i_0} x}}_{\text{surface wave}} \quad (7.46)$$

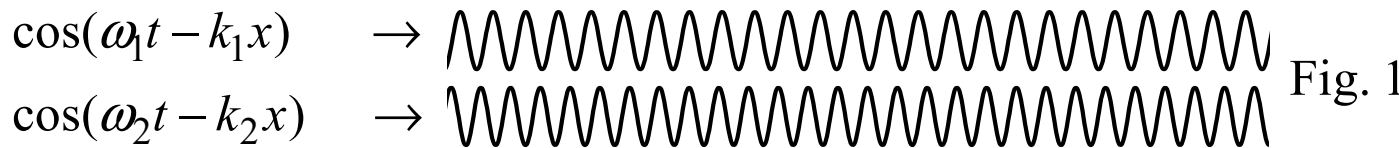


7.8 Superposition of Waves in One Dimension; Group Velocity

Superposition of 2 Waves: Consider 2 waves (Fig. 1), $\cos(\omega_1 t - k_1 x)$ and $\cos(\omega_2 t - k_2 x)$, in a dispersive medium characterized by $\omega = \omega(k)$. Assume $\omega_1 \approx \omega_2$ and $k_1 \approx k_2$, then $\frac{\omega_1}{k_1} \approx \frac{\omega_2}{k_2}$ gives the approximate phase velocity (v_{ph}) of the superposed wave (Fig.2). The difference in wavelengths results in alternating regions of constructive/destructive interferences, or spatial modulations of the superposed wave (Fig. 2). In addition, because of the difference in phase velocities, regions of constructive interference, which carry the field energy, will be at different positions at different times, moving at the group velocity (v_g).



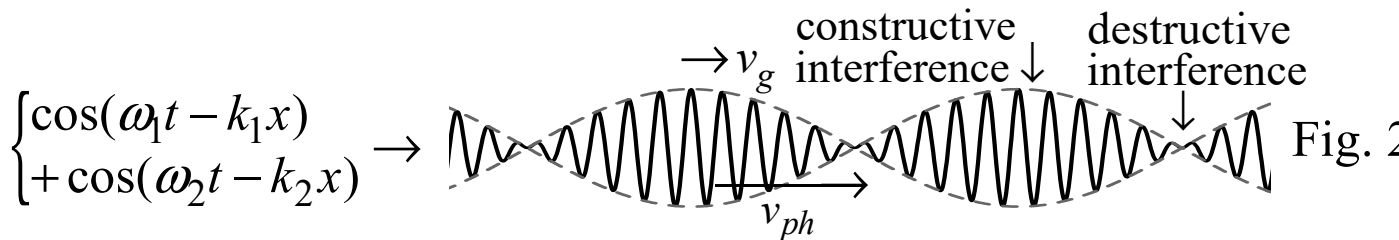
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7.8 Superposition of Waves in One Dimension; Group Velocity (*continued*)

The above qualitative picture can be analyzed as follows.

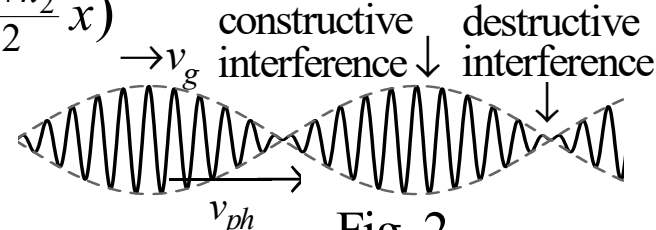
$$\begin{aligned}
 & \cos(\omega_1 t - k_1 x) + \cos(\omega_2 t - k_2 x) \\
 &= 2 \cos\left(\frac{\omega_1 - \omega_2}{2} t - \frac{k_1 - k_2}{2} x\right) \cos\left(\frac{\omega_1 + \omega_2}{2} t - \frac{k_1 + k_2}{2} x\right) \\
 &\approx \underbrace{2 \cos\left(\frac{\omega_1 - \omega_2}{2} t - \frac{k_1 - k_2}{2} x\right)}_{(A)} \underbrace{\cos(\omega t - kx)}_{(B)},
 \end{aligned}$$


Fig. 2

where $\omega = \frac{\omega_1 + \omega_2}{2}$ ($\approx \omega_1 \approx \omega_2$) and $k = \frac{k_1 + k_2}{2}$ ($\approx k_1 \approx k_2$).

Factor (A) is the envelope function of the modulated wave (Fig. 2), which divides the wave into packets, each propagating at the speed

$$v_g = \frac{\frac{\omega_1 - \omega_2}{2}}{\frac{k_1 - k_2}{2}} = \frac{\omega_1 - \omega_2}{k_1 - k_2} \approx \frac{d\omega}{dk} \quad (\text{group velocity})$$

Factor (B) gives the phase speed of the wave within each packet,

$$v_{ph} = \frac{\omega}{k} \quad (\text{phase velocity})$$

7.8 Superposition of Waves in One Dimension; Group Velocity (continued)

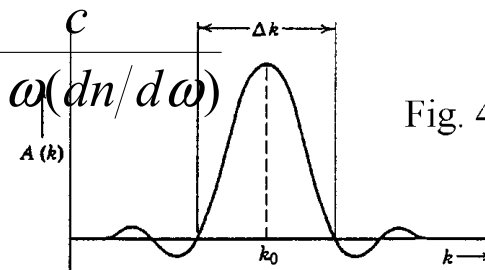
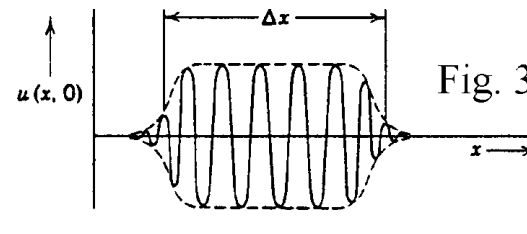
Superposition of an Infinite Number of Waves: When an infinite number of waves (centered around ω_0 , k_0 with a spread Δk , see Fig. 4) are superposed, interferences can result in cancellation everywhere except for a region of length Δx (Fig. 3), where the waves are constructively superposed into a wave packet.

$$k = \sqrt{\mu\epsilon}\omega = \sqrt{\mu_r\epsilon_r}\sqrt{\mu_0\epsilon_0}\omega = \frac{n\omega}{c}$$

$$\text{Phase velocity: } v_p = \frac{\omega}{k} = \frac{c}{n}$$

$$\text{Group velocity: } v_g = \frac{d\omega}{dk} = \left(\frac{dk}{d\omega}\right)^{-1} = \frac{c}{n + \omega(dn/d\omega)} \quad (7.89)$$

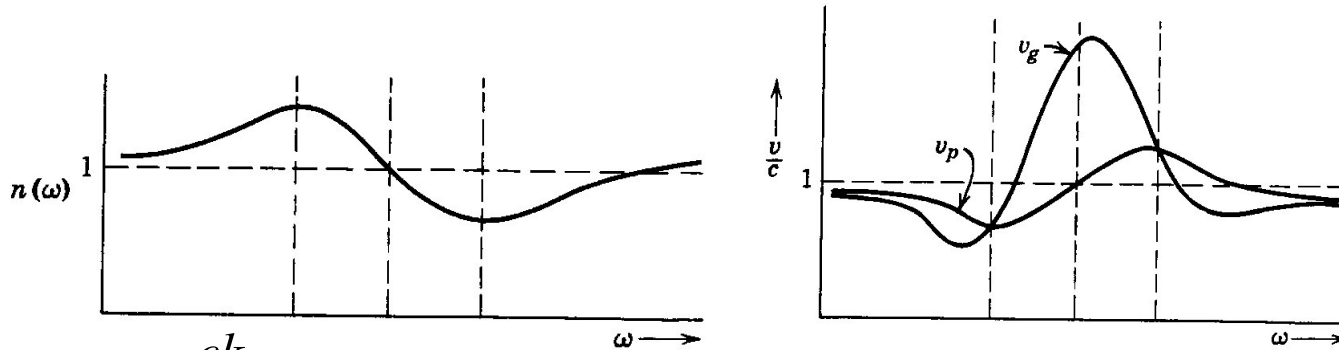
$$\text{Group delay: } \tau_g = \frac{L}{v_g} = \frac{d(kL)}{d\omega} = \frac{d\phi}{d\omega}$$



Can a wave packet propagate at the group velocity faster than the speed of light?

7.8 Superposition of Waves in One Dimension; Group Velocity (continued)

Anomalous dispersion: index of refraction $n(\omega)$ as a function of frequency ω at a region of anomalous dispersion.



$$n(k) = \frac{ck}{\omega(k)}$$

$$\text{Phase velocity: } v_p = \frac{\omega(k)}{k} = \frac{c}{n(k)} \quad (7.88)$$

$$\text{Group velocity: } v_g = \frac{d\omega}{dk} = \frac{c}{n(\omega) + \omega(dn/d\omega)} \quad (7.89)$$

$$\text{Group delay: } \tau_g = \frac{L}{v_g} = \frac{d(kL)}{d\omega} = \frac{d\phi}{d\omega}$$

Definations of energy, signal, and information velocities.

7.8 Superposition of Waves in One Dimension; Group Velocity (*continued*)

Discussion :

- (i) The pulse shape give by (7.85) is undistorted **in time**. However, **if high order terms (e.g., $\frac{d^2\omega}{dk^2}$) are included** in the expansion of $\omega(k)$ [(7.83)], the pulse will broaden **with time**.

$$\text{Reason: } v_g = v_g(k) \Rightarrow \Delta v_g = \frac{dv_g}{dk} \Delta k = \frac{d^2\omega}{dk^2} \Delta k$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{If } \frac{d^2\omega}{dk^2} \neq 0, \text{ there is a spread in } v_g$$

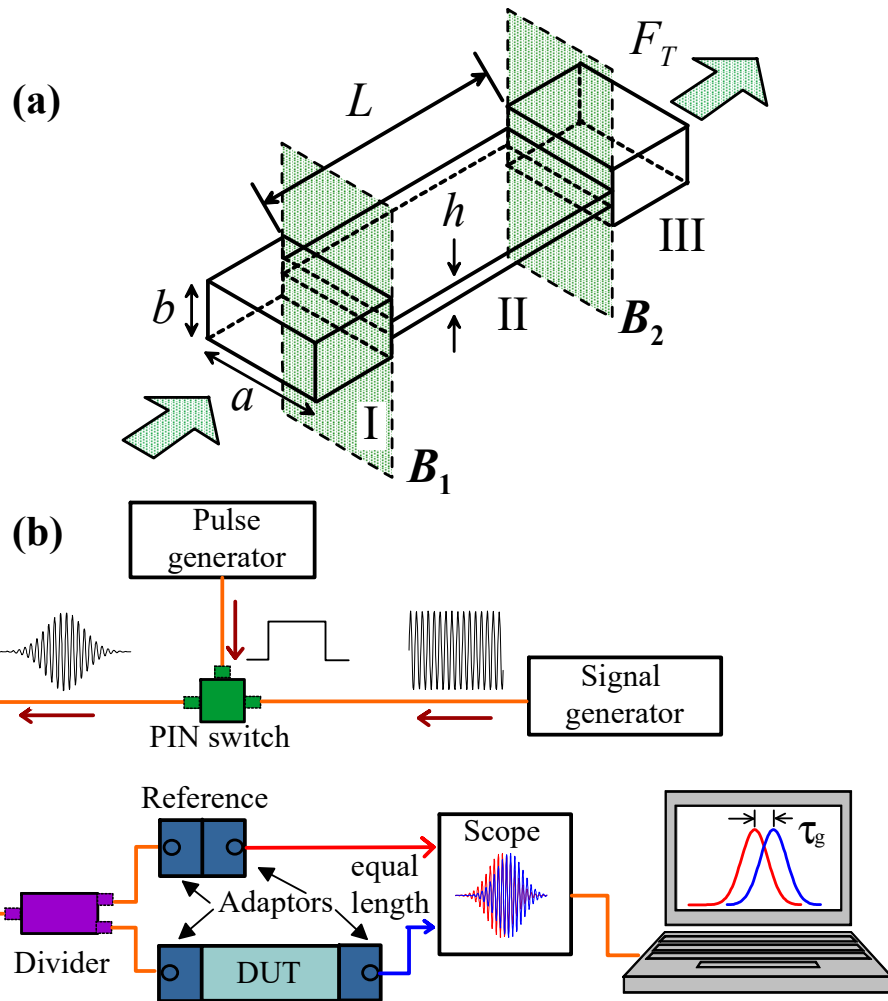


- (ii) $\Delta k \Delta x \geq \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow$ A shorter wave packet has a greater spread in k (and v_g). Hence, it broadens faster than a longer pluse.

- (iii) Wave packets in vacuum remain undistorted ($\omega = kc \Rightarrow \frac{d^2\omega}{dk^2} = 0$).

The following section gives a more rigorous treatment of the wave packet including pulse broadening.

Group Delay Measurement



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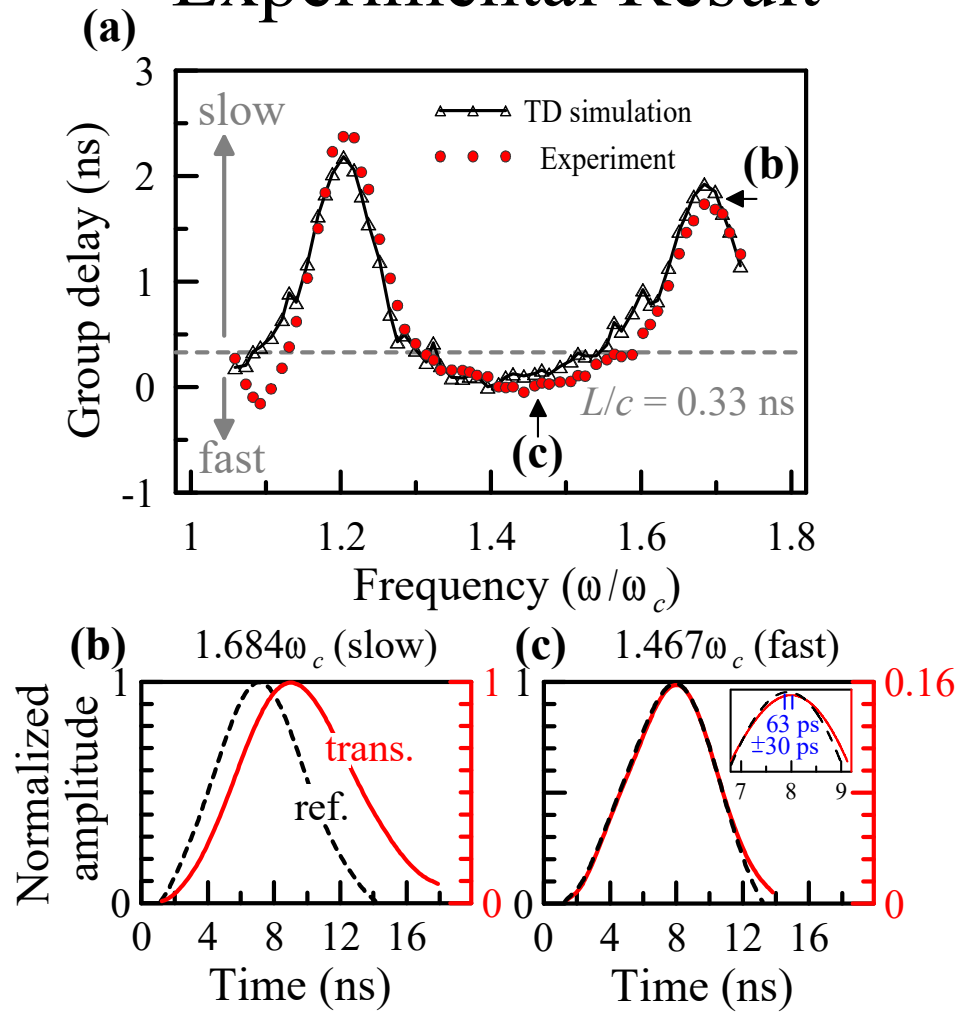
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**Faster Than Light
Superluminal Effect**

Experimental Result

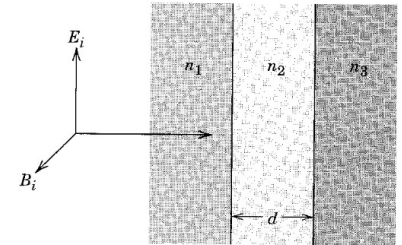


Homework of Chap. 7

Problem 7.2

A plane wave is incident on a layered interface as shown in the figure. The indices of refraction of the three nonpermeable media are n_1 , n_2 , n_3 . The thickness of the intermediate layer is d . Each of the other media is semi-infinite.

- (a) Calculate the transmission and reflection coefficients (ratios of transmitted and reflected Poynting's flux to the incident flux), and sketch their behavior as a function of frequency for $n_1 = 1, n_2 = 2, n_3 = 3$; $n_1 = 3, n_2 = 2, n_3 = 1$; and $n_1 = 2, n_2 = 4, n_3 = 1$.
- (b) The medium n_1 is part of an optical system (e.g., a lens); medium n_3 is air ($n_3 = 1$). It is desired to put an optical coating (medium n_2) on the surface so that there is no reflected wave for a frequency ω_0 . What thickness d and index of refraction n_2 are necessary?



Problem 7.3

Two plane semi-infinite slabs of the same uniform, isotropic, nonpermeable, lossless dielectric with index of refraction n are parallel and separated by an air gap ($n = 1$) of width d . A plane electromagnetic wave of frequency ω is incident on the gap from one of the slabs with angle of incidence i . For linear polarization *both* parallel to *and* perpendicular to the plane of incidence,

- (a) calculate the ratio of power transmitted into the second slab to the incident power and the ratio of reflected to incident power;
- (b) for i greater than the critical angle for total internal reflection, sketch the ratio of transmitted power to incident power as a function of d measured in units of wavelength in the gap.

Problem 7.4

A plan-polarized electromagnetic wave of frequency ω in free space is incident normally on the flat surface of a nonpermeable medium of conductivity σ and dielectric constant ϵ .

- (a) Calculate the amplitude and phase of the reflected wave relative to the incident wave for arbitrary σ and ϵ .
- (b) Discuss the limiting cases of a very poor and a very good conductor, and show that for a good conductor the reflection coefficient (ratio of reflected to incident intensity) is approximately

$$R \approx 1 - 2 \frac{\omega}{c} \delta$$

where δ is the skin depth.

Homework of Chap. 7

Problem 7.6

A plane wave of frequency ω is incident normally from vacuum on a semi-infinite slab of material with a *complex* index of refraction $n(\omega) \left[n^2(\omega) = \epsilon(\omega) / \epsilon_0 \right]$.

(a) Show that the ratio of reflected power to incident power is

$$R = \frac{|1 - n(\omega)|^2}{|1 + n(\omega)|^2}$$

while the ratio of power transmitted into the medium to the incident power is

$$T = \frac{4\text{Re}(n)}{|1 + n(\omega)|^2}$$

(b) Evaluate $\text{Re}[i\omega(\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{D}^* - \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{H}^*) / 2]$ as a function of (x, y, z) . Show that this rate of change of energy per unit volume accounts for the relative transmitted power T .

(c) For a conductor, with $n^2 = 1 + i(\sigma / \omega\epsilon_0)$, σ real, write out the results of parts a and b in the limit $\epsilon_0\omega \ll \sigma$. Express your answer in terms of δ as much as possible. Calculate $\frac{1}{2} \text{Re}(\mathbf{J}^* \cdot \mathbf{E})$ and compare with the result of part b. Do both enter the complex form of Poynting's theorem?

Problem 7.13

A stylized model of the ionosphere is a medium described by the dielectric constant (7.59). Consider the earth with such a medium beginning suddenly at a height h and extending to infinity. For waves with polarization both perpendicular to the plane of incidence (from a horizontal antenna) and in the plane of incidence (from a vertical antenna),

(a) show from Fresnel's equation for reflection and refraction that for $\omega > \omega_p$ there is a range of angles of incidence for which reflection is not total, but for larger angles there is total reflection back toward the earth.

(b) A radio amateur operating at a wavelength of 21 meters in the early evening finds that she can receive distant stations located more than 1000 km away, but none closer. Assuming that the signals are being reflected from the F layer of the ionosphere at an effective height of 300 km, calculate the electron density. Compare with the known maximum and minimum F layer densities of $\sim 2 \times 10^{12} \text{ m}^{-3}$ in the daytime and $\sim (2-4) \times 10^{11} \text{ m}^{-3}$ at night.

Homework of Chap. 7

Problem 7.14

A simple model of propagation of radio waves in the earth's atmosphere or ionosphere consist of a flat earth at $z = 0$ and a nonuniform medium with $\epsilon = \epsilon(z)$ for $z > 0$. Consider the Maxwell equations under the assumption that the fields are independent of y and can be written as function of z times $e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$.

(a) Show that the wave equation governing the propagation for $z > 0$ is

$$\frac{d^2 F}{dz^2} + q^2(z)F = 0$$

where $q^2(z) = \omega^2 \mu_0 \epsilon(z) - k^2$ and $F = E_y$ for *horizontal* polarization, and

$$q^2(z) = \omega^2 \mu_0 \epsilon(z) + \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \frac{d^2 \epsilon}{dz^2} - \frac{3}{4\epsilon^2} \left(\frac{d\epsilon}{dz} \right)^2 - k^2$$

with $F = \sqrt{\epsilon / \epsilon_0} E_z$ for *vertical* polarization.

- (b) Use the WKB approximation to treat the propagation of waves directed vertically into the ionosphere ($k = 0$), assuming that the dielectric constant is given by (7.59) with a plasma frequency $\omega_p(z)$ governed by an electron density like that shown in Fig. 7.11. Verify that the qualitative arguments in Section 7.6 hold, with departures in detail only for $\omega \sim \omega_{p,\max}$.
- (c) Using the WKB results of part b and the concepts of the propagation of a pulse from Section 7.8, define an effective height of the ionosphere $h(\omega)$ by calculating the time T for a pulse of dominant frequency ω to travel up and be reflected back ($h' \equiv cT/2$). [The WKB approximation is discussed in most book on quantum mechanics.]

Problem 7.28

A circularly polarized plane wave moving in the z direction has a finite extent in the x and y directions. Assuming that the amplitude modulation is slowly varying (the wave is many wavelengths broad), show that the electric and magnetic fields are given approximately by

$$\mathbf{E}(x, y, z, t) \equiv \left[E_0(x, y) (\mathbf{e}_1 \pm i\mathbf{e}_2) + \frac{i}{k} \left(\frac{\partial E_0}{\partial x} \pm i \frac{\partial E_0}{\partial y} \right) \mathbf{e}_3 \right] e^{ikz - i\omega t}$$

$$\mathbf{B} \equiv \mp i \sqrt{\mu \epsilon} \mathbf{E}$$

where $\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3$ are unit vectors in the x, y, z directions.

Appendix A. t -space and ω -space

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{E}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{E}(t) e^{i\omega t} dt \quad (\text{A.1}) \\ \mathbf{E}(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{E}(\omega) e^{-i\omega t} d\omega \\ \quad = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{\infty} [\mathbf{E}(\omega) e^{-i\omega t} + \mathbf{E}(-\omega) e^{i\omega t}] d\omega \quad (\text{A.2}) \end{array} \right.$$

Note: If $\mathbf{E}(t)$ is real (a physical quantity in t -space must be a real quantity), then*,

$$\mathbf{E}(-\omega) = \mathbf{E}^*(\omega) \quad (\text{A.3})$$

*See Sec. 2.8.

Appendix A. t -space and ω -space (continued)

Example 1: $\mathbf{E}(t) = \mathbf{E}_0 \cos(\omega t + \theta)$ (A.4)

Annotations:

- \mathbf{E}_0 : amplitude (real vector)
- ω : a single-frequency real quantity
- θ : phase constant
- θ : phase angle

Sub. (A.4) into $\mathbf{E}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{E}(t) e^{i\omega t} dt$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}(\omega') &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{E}_0 \cos(\omega t + \theta) e^{i\omega' t} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\mathbf{E}_0 e^{i\theta} e^{i(\omega'+\omega)t} + \mathbf{E}_0 e^{-i\theta} e^{i(\omega'-\omega)t} \right] dt \\ &= \pi \left[\mathbf{E}_\omega \delta(\omega' - \omega) + \mathbf{E}_\omega^* \delta(\omega' + \omega) \right] \end{aligned}$$

where $\mathbf{E}_\omega \equiv \mathbf{E}_0 e^{-i\theta}$ (A.5)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(A.2)} \Rightarrow \mathbf{E}(t) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \pi \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\mathbf{E}_\omega \delta(\omega' - \omega) + \mathbf{E}_\omega^* \delta(\omega' + \omega) \right] e^{-i\omega' t} d\omega' \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\mathbf{E}_\omega e^{-i\omega t} + \mathbf{E}_\omega^* e^{i\omega t} \right] = \text{Re} \left[\mathbf{E}_\omega e^{-i\omega t} \right] \end{aligned} \quad \text{(A.6)}$$

Appendix A. t -space and ω -space (continued)

In linear equations, we may omit the "Re" sign and write (A.6) as

$$\mathbf{E}(t) = \mathbf{E}_\omega e^{-i\omega t} \quad (\text{A.7})$$

Thus, by writing $\mathbf{E}(t) = \mathbf{E}_0 \cos(\omega t + \theta)$ as $\mathbf{E}(t) = \mathbf{E}_\omega e^{-i\omega t}$. We have entered from the t -space into the ω -space. Equations derived by using (A.7) are thus ω -space equations, e.g.

$$\mathbf{D}_\omega = \varepsilon \mathbf{E}_\omega \quad [\text{derived in Sec. I of the main text}] \quad (\text{A.8})$$

\mathbf{E}_0 in (A.4) is a *real* t -space quantity. $\mathbf{E}_\omega (= \mathbf{E}_0 e^{-i\theta})$ in (A.4) is a *complex* ω -space quantity and is called a phasor.

To convert a phasor back into the t -space, we multiply it by $e^{-i\omega t}$ and take the real part [as shown in (A.6)]. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{D}(t) &= \text{Re} \left[\mathbf{D}_\omega e^{-i\omega t} \right] = \text{Re} \left[\varepsilon \mathbf{E}_\omega e^{-i\omega t} \right] \\ &= \text{Re} \left[|\varepsilon| e^{i\varphi} \mathbf{E}_0 e^{-i\theta} e^{-i\omega t} \right] = |\varepsilon| \mathbf{E}_0 \cos(\omega t + \theta - \varphi) \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.9})$$

Question: (A.8) and (A.9) both indicate a linear relation between \mathbf{D} and \mathbf{E} . What does a "linear relation" imply?

Appendix A. t -space and ω -space (continued)

Discussion :

- (i) A complex number carries twice the information as a real number, e.g. \mathbf{E}_0 in (A.4) gives the amplitude of $\mathbf{E}(t)$, whereas $\mathbf{E}_\omega (= \mathbf{E}_0 e^{-i\theta})$ in (A.7) gives both the amplitude and phase angle of $\mathbf{E}(t)$. Hence, the algebra is simpler in the ω -space. This is the reason why we often work in the ω -space.
- (ii) In (A.8), \mathbf{D}_ω and \mathbf{E}_ω are phasors. But ε [derived in (7.51)] is a complex number derived in the ω -space. It is not a phasor. Hence, $\text{Re}[\varepsilon e^{-i\omega t}]$ is not a corresponding t -space quantity.
- (iii) The same mathematics can be found in circuit theory:

$$V = IZ \text{ in circuit theory } \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{D} = \varepsilon \mathbf{E} \text{ here } \begin{bmatrix} V, I \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{D}, \mathbf{E} \\ Z \Leftrightarrow \varepsilon \end{bmatrix}$$

Appendix A. t -space and ω -space (continued)

Example 2: a rotating vector

$$\mathbf{E}(t) = E_0 (\cos \omega t \mathbf{e}_x + \sin \omega t \mathbf{e}_y) \quad (\text{A.10})$$

Following the same procedure leading to (A.6), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}(t) &= \text{Re} \left[\left(E_0 \mathbf{e}_x + E_0 e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}} \mathbf{e}_y \right) e^{-i\omega t} \right] \\ &= \text{Re} \left[\mathbf{E}_\omega e^{-i\omega t} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.11})$$

$$\text{where } \mathbf{E}_\omega \equiv E_0 (\mathbf{e}_x + i\mathbf{e}_y) \quad (\text{A.12})$$

Appendix A. t -space and ω -space (continued)

Discussion:

Examining the phasors $\mathbf{E}_\omega \equiv \mathbf{E}_0 e^{-i\theta}$ (A.5) and $\mathbf{E}_\omega \equiv E_0(\mathbf{e}_x + i\mathbf{e}_y)$ (A.12), we find that the phasor, an ω -space quantity, may or may not have a clear geometric direction. For example, \mathbf{E}_ω in (A.5) has the same geometric direction as \mathbf{E}_0 , but \mathbf{E}_ω in (A.12) does not have a clear geometric direction. The reason is that, in the time space, $\mathbf{E}(t) = E_0(\cos \omega t \mathbf{e}_x + \sin \omega t \mathbf{e}_y)$ has a geometric direction which rotates with time. When $\mathbf{E}(t)$ is transformed into the ω -space, in which t is no longer a variable, we obtain a phasor \mathbf{E}_ω without a clear geometric direction.

self-study 7.4. Polarization by Reflection and Total Internal Reflection (*continued*)

Wave vector and fields of the refracted wave:

Rewrite (7.46): $e^{i\mathbf{k}' \cdot \mathbf{x}} = e^{-k'[(\frac{\sin i}{\sin i_0})^2 - 1]^{1/2} z} e^{ik' \frac{\sin i}{\sin i_0} x}$

We see that \mathbf{k}' (of the refracted wave) may be expressed as

$$\mathbf{k}' = k'_x \mathbf{e}_x + ik'_z \mathbf{e}_z \quad (48)$$

where $k'_x = k' \frac{\sin i}{\sin i_0}$, $k'_z = k'[(\frac{\sin i}{\sin i_0})^2 - 1]^{1/2}$ and both k'_x and k'_z are real and positive quantities determined by the incident angle i . Note that (48) satisfies (16), i.e. $\mathbf{k}' \cdot \mathbf{k}' = k_x'^2 - k_z'^2 = k'^2 = \sqrt{\mu' \epsilon'} \omega^2$.

Consider the case with $\mathbf{E}'_0 \parallel$ plane of incidence and write

$$\mathbf{E}'_0 = E'_{0x} \mathbf{e}_x + iE'_{0z} \mathbf{e}_z \quad (49)$$

Then,
$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{k}' \cdot \mathbf{E}'_0 = 0 \text{ [(17)]} \Rightarrow k'_x E'_{0x} - E'_{0z} k'_z = 0 & (50) \\ \mathbf{B}'_0 = \sqrt{\mu' \epsilon'} \frac{\mathbf{k}' \times \mathbf{E}'_0}{k'} \text{ [(19)]} \Rightarrow \mathbf{B}'_0 = i \frac{-k'_x E'_{0z} + k'_z E'_{0x}}{\omega} \mathbf{e}_y & (51) \end{cases}$$

(48)-(51) give the surface wave solution discussed earlier in (21).

self-study 7.4. Polarization by Reflection and Total Internal Reflection (*continued*)

Poynting vector: (Consider $\mathbf{E}'_0 \parallel$ plane of incidence as an example)

$$\text{Rewrite (20')}: \langle \mathbf{S} \rangle_t = \frac{1}{2\omega} \text{Re} \left\{ \frac{1}{\mu'} \left[\mathbf{k}' |\mathbf{E}'_0|^2 - \mathbf{E}'_0 (\mathbf{k}' \cdot \mathbf{E}'_0^*) \right] e^{i(\mathbf{k}' - \mathbf{k}'^*) \cdot \mathbf{x}} \right\}$$

$$\mathbf{k}' = k'_x \mathbf{e}_x + ik'_z \mathbf{e}_z \Rightarrow e^{i(\mathbf{k}' - \mathbf{k}'^*) \cdot \mathbf{x}} = e^{-2k'_z z} \quad (52)$$

$$\mathbf{E}'_0 = E'_{0x} \mathbf{e}_x + iE'_{0z} \mathbf{e}_z \Rightarrow \mathbf{k}' \cdot \mathbf{E}'_0^* = k'_x E'_{0x} + k'_z E'_{0z} = 2k'_x E'_{0x} \quad (53)$$

Sub. (52), (53), $\mathbf{k}' = k'_x \mathbf{e}_x + ik'_z \mathbf{e}_z$, and $\mathbf{E}'_0 = E'_{0x} \mathbf{e}_x + iE'_{0z} \mathbf{e}_z$ into (20')

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathbf{S} \rangle_t &= \frac{1}{2\omega\mu'} \left[\overbrace{k'_x |\mathbf{E}'_0|^2}^{= |E'_{0x}|^2 + |E'_{0z}|^2} - 2k'_x |E'_{0x}|^2 \right] e^{-2k'_z z} \mathbf{e}_x = \frac{k'_x}{2\omega\mu'} \left[\overbrace{|E'_{0z}|^2 - |E'_{0x}|^2}^{= k'_z{}^2 |E'_{0z}|^2 / k'_x{}^2 \text{ [from (50)]}} \right] e^{-2k'_z z} \mathbf{e}_x \\ &= \frac{k'_x}{2\omega\mu'} \left[|E'_{0z}|^2 - \frac{k'_z{}^2}{k'_x{}^2} |E'_{0z}|^2 \right] e^{-2k'_z z} \mathbf{e}_x = \frac{1}{2\omega\mu' k'_x} |E'_{0z}|^2 \underbrace{(k'_x{}^2 - k'_z{}^2)}_{= k'^2} e^{-2k'_z z} \mathbf{e}_x \\ &= \frac{k'^2}{2\omega\mu' k'_x} |E'_{0z}|^2 e^{-2k'_z z} \mathbf{e}_x = \frac{\epsilon' \omega}{2k'_x} |E'_{0z}|^2 e^{-2k'_z z} \mathbf{e}_x \quad (54) \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow Power flows along the x -direction. There is no power flowing from the $z < 0$ region into the $z > 0$ region \Rightarrow total reflection as expected.

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7.3 Reflection and Refraction... (continued)

Discussion: Sources of electromagnetic fields in dielectrics

The source-free macroscopic Maxwell equations [(7.1)] can be converted into the microscopic form as follows:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0 \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = 0 \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} \end{array} \right. \left[\begin{array}{l} \mathbf{D} = \epsilon_0 \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{P} \\ \mathbf{H} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{M} \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0 \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\nabla \cdot \mathbf{P}}{\epsilon_0} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \rho_{pol} \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} + \mu_0 \underbrace{\nabla \times \mathbf{M}}_{\mathbf{J}_M [(5.79)]} + \mu_0 \frac{\partial \mathbf{P}}{\partial t} \end{array} \right.$$

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↓
 \mathbf{J}_{pol} [lecture notes, Ch. 4]

\mathbf{J}_M [(5.79)]

$$= \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} + \mu_0 \mathbf{J}_M + \mu_0 \mathbf{J}_{pol}$$

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7.3 Reflection and Refraction... (continued)

We see from the microscopic Maxwell equations that, upon action by the electromagnetic fields, bound electrons of atoms/molecules in a dielectric ($\epsilon \neq \epsilon_0, \mu \neq \mu_0$) will produce polarization charge and current densities (ρ_{pol} and \mathbf{J}_{pol}) and magnetization current density (\mathbf{J}_M), through which the dielectric will generate its own fields. In the macroscopic Maxwell equations, ρ_{pol} , \mathbf{J}_{pol} , and \mathbf{J}_M are hidden in \mathbf{D} and \mathbf{H} , but the fields they generate will appear in the solutions. For example, as a wave is incident from a vacuum into an $\epsilon \neq \epsilon_0$ medium, it will induce ρ_{pol} and \mathbf{J}_{pol} ($\rho_{pol} = 0$ inside a uniform medium, whereas \mathbf{J}_{pol} is always present). ρ_{pol} and \mathbf{J}_{pol} are the sources which generate the reflected wave and cause refraction of the transmitted wave.

Similarly, in the case of a charged particle traveling in a dielectric medium at a speed greater than the speed of light in that medium, the ρ_{pol} and \mathbf{J}_{pol} induced by the fields of the charged particle will generate the Cherenkov radiation (treated in Jackson, Sec. 13.4).

II. Plane Wave Equations in Dielectrics and Conductors - A Unified Formalism

Basic Equations :

Macroscopic Maxwell equations:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \rho_{free}(\mathbf{x}, t) \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}, t) = 0 \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}, t) \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \mathbf{J}_{free}(\mathbf{x}, t) + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x}, t) \end{array} \right.$$

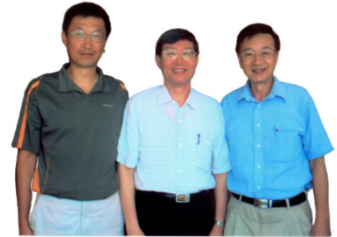
ρ_{free} , \mathbf{J}_{free} are due to free electrons. They are neglected in (7.1).

$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t)$, $\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x}, t)$, $\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}, t)$, and $\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}, t)$ here are \mathbf{E} , \mathbf{D} , \mathbf{B} , and \mathbf{H} in (7.1). (4)

Equation of continuity (conservation of free charges):

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho_{free}(\mathbf{x}, t) + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J}_{free}(\mathbf{x}, t) = 0 \quad (5)$$

As discussed earlier, the constitutive relations $\mathbf{D} = \epsilon_b \mathbf{E}$ (for bound electrons) and $\mathbf{D} = \epsilon \mathbf{E}$ (for both bound and free electrons) are in general applicable only in the ω -space. Similarly, $\mathbf{B} = \mu \mathbf{H}$ and $\mathbf{J} = \sigma \mathbf{E}$ are also ω -space relations. To utilize these relation, we go to the ω -space by assuming harmonic time dependence for the fields.



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II. Plane Wave Equations in Dielectrics and Conductors... (continued)

Assumption 1: harmonic time dependence (ω : real and positive)

$$\text{Let } \underbrace{\begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) \\ \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x}, t) \\ \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}, t) \\ \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}, t) \\ \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}, t) \\ \rho(\mathbf{x}, t) \end{Bmatrix}}_{\text{real}} = \text{Re} \left[\underbrace{\begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \rho(\mathbf{x}) \end{Bmatrix}}_{\text{complex (called the phasor)}} e^{-i\omega t} \right]$$

By convention, the LHS is the real part of the RHS.

with .

$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x})$ here are \mathbf{E}, \mathbf{B} in (7.2) and (7.3)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \rho_{free}(\mathbf{x}, t) \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}, t) = 0 \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}, t) \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \mathbf{J}_{free}(\mathbf{x}, t) + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x}, t) \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x}) = \rho_{free}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = i\omega \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{J}_{free}(\mathbf{x}) - i\omega \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x}) \end{array} \right. \quad (6)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho_{free}(\mathbf{x}, t) + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J}_{free}(\mathbf{x}, t) = 0 \Rightarrow -i\omega \rho_{free}(\mathbf{x}) + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J}_{free}(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \quad (7)$$

II. Plane Wave Equations in Dielectrics and Conductors... (continued)

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Assumption 2: linear and isotropic medium, i.e.,

$$\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x}) = \varepsilon_b \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}), \quad \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = \mu \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}), \quad \mathbf{J}_{free}(\mathbf{x}) = \sigma \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) \text{ or } (= \rho \mathbf{v}).$$

Note: We have used 2 definitions of \mathbf{D} . Here, $\mathbf{D} = \varepsilon_b \mathbf{E}$. In (2),

$$\mathbf{D} = \varepsilon \mathbf{E} = (\varepsilon_b + i \frac{\sigma}{\omega}) \mathbf{E}. \quad (\mathbf{D} \text{ has no physical significance.})$$

$$\text{Rewrite (7): } -i\omega \rho_{free}(\mathbf{x}) + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J}_{free}(\mathbf{x}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -i\omega \rho_{free}(\mathbf{x}) + \nabla \cdot \sigma \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \Rightarrow \rho_{free}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\nabla \cdot \sigma \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x})}{i\omega}$$

$$\text{Hence, } \nabla \cdot \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x}) = \rho_{free}(\mathbf{x}) \Rightarrow \nabla \cdot \varepsilon_b \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{i\omega} \nabla \cdot \sigma \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla \cdot (\varepsilon_b + i \frac{\sigma}{\omega}) \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \Rightarrow \nabla \cdot \varepsilon \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = 0, \quad (8)$$

where $\varepsilon \equiv \varepsilon_b + i \frac{\sigma}{\omega}$ takes the form of the generalized ε derived in (7.51) and (7.56). Similarly, $\nabla \times \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{J}_{free}(\mathbf{x}) - i\omega \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x})$ gives

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}) = \sigma \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) - i\omega \varepsilon_b \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = -i\omega [\varepsilon_b + i \frac{\sigma}{\omega}] \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = -i\omega \varepsilon \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}), \quad (9)$$

where again ε_b and σ are combined in the same manner as in (8).

This gives an alternative derivation of the generalized ε . However, ε in (7.51) and (7.56) gives the explicit expressions for ε_b and σ .

II. Plane Waves in Dielectrics and Conductors (*continued*)

Using (8) and (9), we write the macroscopic Maxwell equations for harmonic fields in a linear and isotropic medium in terms of phasor fields and the generalized ϵ :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla \cdot \epsilon \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = i\omega \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}) = -i\omega \epsilon \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) \end{array} \right. \quad (10)$$

Discussion :

- (i) Bound electrons and free electrons are separated in the Maxwell equations in (4) and (6), where ϵ_b contains the effects of bound electrons and σ contains the effects of free electrons.
- (ii) Bound electrons and free electrons are combined in the Maxwell equations in (10), where $\epsilon (= \epsilon_b + i \frac{\sigma}{\omega})$ contains the effects of both bound and free electrons.

II. Plane Wave Equations in Dielectrics and Conductors... *(continued)*

Assumption 3: uniform medium (i.e., ϵ , μ independent of \mathbf{x})

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla \cdot \epsilon \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = i\omega \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}) = -i\omega \epsilon \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = i\omega \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = -i\omega \mu \epsilon \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} (11) \\ (12) \\ (13) \\ (14) \end{array}$$

$$\nabla \times \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (13) \\ (14) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \nabla^2 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) \end{array} \right\} + \mu \epsilon \omega^2 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) \end{array} \right\} = 0 \quad (15)$$

(15) has the same form as (7.3), which is derived from the source-free Maxwell equations [(7.1)] for a non-conducting medium ($\sigma = 0$). However, (15) is **applicable to both dielectric and conducting media**. In (7.3), $\epsilon = \epsilon_b$. In (15), $\epsilon = \epsilon_b + i\frac{\sigma}{\omega}$. Solution for (15) and (7.3) takes the same algebraic steps. But with $\epsilon = \epsilon_b + i\frac{\sigma}{\omega}$, the solution for (15) will be **applicable to both dielectric and conducting media**.

II. Plane Wave Equations in Dielectrics and Conductors... (continued)

Assumption 4: $\begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{E}_0 \\ \mathbf{B}_0 \end{Bmatrix} e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}}$ $\mathbf{E}_0, \mathbf{B}_0$ here are
in (7.8)-(7.12)

$$\nabla^2 \begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) \end{Bmatrix} + \mu\epsilon\omega^2 \begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) \end{Bmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow (-k^2 + \mu\epsilon\omega^2) \begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{E}_0 \\ \mathbf{B}_0 \end{Bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \sqrt{\mu\epsilon}\omega \quad (\text{dispersion relation}) \quad (16)$$

Note: 1. $k^2 \equiv \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{k}$; $|\mathbf{k}|^2 \equiv \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{k}^*$.

2. $k^2 \neq |\mathbf{k}|^2$ and $k \neq |\mathbf{k}|$ unless \mathbf{k} is real.

3. k can be complex, but $|\mathbf{k}|$ is always real and positive.

$$(11)-(13) \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{E}_0 = 0 & (17) \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{B}_0 = 0 & (18) \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{B}_0 = \frac{1}{\omega} \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E}_0 = \sqrt{\mu\epsilon} \frac{\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E}_0}{k} & (19) \end{cases}$$

Note: (14) gives $\mathbf{E}_0 = -\frac{1}{\omega\mu\epsilon} \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{B}_0$, which is implicit in (17) and (19).

II. Plane Wave Equations in Dielectrics and Conductors... (continued)

$\langle \mathbf{S} \rangle_t$ = time averaged power flow per unit area (called intensity)

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \langle \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) \times \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}, t) \rangle_t \\
 &\quad \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \qquad \qquad \uparrow \\ \text{real quantities} \quad \text{phasors} \end{array} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \text{Re} \left[\mathbf{E}^*(\mathbf{x}) \times \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}) \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \text{Re} \left[\sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{\mu}} \frac{1}{k} \mathbf{E}_0^* \times (\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E}_0) e^{i(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}^*) \cdot \mathbf{x}} \right] \\
 &\quad \boxed{|\mathbf{E}_0|^2 \equiv \mathbf{E}_0 \cdot \mathbf{E}_0^*} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \text{Re} \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{\mu}} \frac{1}{k} \left[\mathbf{k} |\mathbf{E}_0|^2 - \mathbf{E}_0 (\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{E}_0^*) \right] e^{i(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}^*) \cdot \mathbf{x}} \right\} \quad (20) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\omega} \text{Re} \left\{ \frac{1}{\mu} \left[\mathbf{k} |\mathbf{E}_0|^2 - \mathbf{E}_0 (\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{E}_0^*) \right] e^{i(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}^*) \cdot \mathbf{x}} \right\} \quad (20')
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) &= \mathbf{E}_0 e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}} \\
 \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}) &= \mathbf{H}_0 e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}} \\
 \mathbf{H}_0 &= \frac{\mathbf{B}_0}{\mu} = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{\mu}} \frac{\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E}_0}{k} \quad (19)
 \end{aligned}$$

Note: $\langle \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) \times \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}, t) \rangle_t = \frac{1}{2} \text{Re}[\mathbf{E}^*(\mathbf{x}) \times \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x})]$ is derived in Sec. 6.9 of lecture notes.

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Discussion:

- (i) Assuming μ , ε are given, (16)-(19) are conditions imposed on ω , \mathbf{k} , \mathbf{E}_0 , \mathbf{B}_0 by the Maxwell equations.
- (ii) The derivation of (16)-(19) only requires μ , ε , ω , \mathbf{k} , \mathbf{E}_0 , and \mathbf{B}_0 to be constants, but not necessarily real (we have assumed ω to be real). Thus, any set of complex constants μ , ε , ω , \mathbf{k} , \mathbf{E}_0 , and \mathbf{B}_0 can be a valid solution of the Maxwell equations provided they satisfy (16)-(19) and the boundary conditions (if applicable).
- (iii) The generalized ε is in general a complex number. μ can also be a complex number. Either complex ε or complex μ can lead to complex solutions for \mathbf{k} , \mathbf{E}_0 , and \mathbf{B}_0 . Even when ε and μ are real, boundary conditions (if applicable) can lead to complex solutions for \mathbf{k} , \mathbf{E}_0 , and \mathbf{B}_0 [to be shown in Sec. 7.4, Eq. (48)].

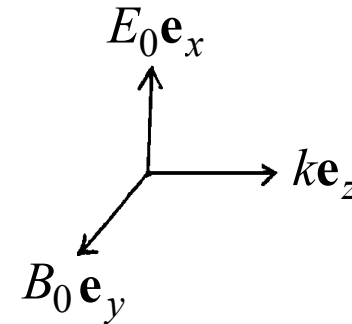
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(iv) Under assumptions 1 and 4, the fields ($\sim e^{-i\omega t + i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}}$) are those of a plane wave; namely, the surface of constant phase is a plane (see following examples). There are 2 types of plane waves depending on the form of the wave vector \mathbf{k} (also called the propagation constant).

a. Homogeneous plane wave

Consider the solution:

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{k} = k\mathbf{e}_z \\ \mathbf{E}_0 = E_0\mathbf{e}_x \\ \mathbf{B}_0 = B_0\mathbf{e}_y \end{cases} \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} B_0 = \sqrt{\mu\epsilon}E_0 \\ k = \sqrt{\mu\epsilon}\omega \end{cases}$$



where \mathbf{e}_x , \mathbf{e}_y , and \mathbf{e}_z are real unit vectors, but E_0 , B_0 , and k can all be complex. This clearly satisfies (16)-(19) and is the most familiar type of plane waves. Any plane perpendicular to the z -axis is a plane of constant phase.

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b. Inhomogeneous plane wave

Consider another solution satisfying (16)-(19):

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{k} = k_x \mathbf{e}_x + ik_z \mathbf{e}_z \\ \mathbf{E}_0 = E_{0x} \mathbf{e}_x + iE_{0z} \mathbf{e}_z \\ \mathbf{B}_0 = iB_{0y} \mathbf{e}_y \end{cases} \text{ with } \begin{cases} k^2 = \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{k} = k_x^2 - k_z^2 = \mu\epsilon\omega^2 \\ \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{E}_0 = k_x E_{0x} - k_z E_{0z} = 0 \\ B_{0y} = (-k_x E_{0z} + k_z E_{0x}) / \omega \end{cases} \quad (21)$$

where k_x , k_z , E_{0x} , E_{0z} , and B_{0y} are all real constants.

$\mathbf{k} = k_x \mathbf{e}_x + ik_z \mathbf{e}_z$ defined here can be converted to the form $\mathbf{k} = k\mathbf{n} = k(\mathbf{n}_R + i\mathbf{n}_I)$ as used on p. 298 of Jackson. Here, we reserve the notation \mathbf{n} for later use as a *real* unit vector.

The physical meaning of such a solution becomes clear when we construct the physical quantity $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t)$ from the phasor $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x})$.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) &= \text{Re} \left[\mathbf{E}_0 e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}} e^{-i\omega t} \right] = \text{Re} \left[(E_{0x} \mathbf{e}_x + iE_{0z} \mathbf{e}_z) e^{-i\omega t + ik_x x - k_z z} \right] \\ &= [E_{0x} \cos(\omega t - k_x x) \mathbf{e}_x + E_{0z} \sin(\omega t - k_x x) \mathbf{e}_z] e^{-k_z z} \end{aligned}$$

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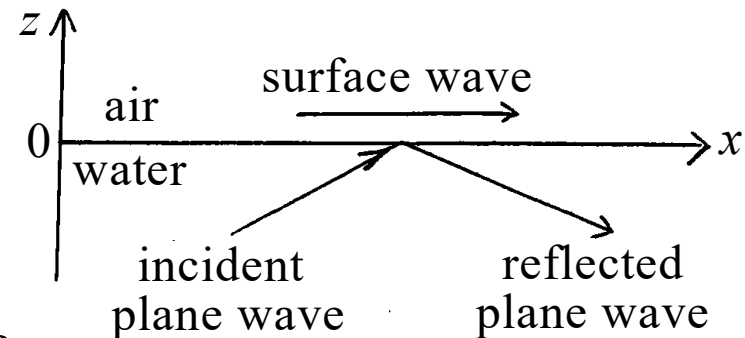
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Interesting phenomenon

Rewrite $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) = [E_{0x} \cos(\omega t - k_x x) \mathbf{e}_x + E_{0z} \sin(\omega t - k_x x) \mathbf{e}_z] e^{-k_z z}$

This represents a surface wave in the $z \geq 0$ half space. It propagates along the x -direction with an amplitude peaking at $z = 0$ and decreasing exponentially along the positive z -direction. The surface wave is also called an inhomogeneous plane wave (p.298). Any plane perpendicular to the x -axis is a plane of constant phase.

When a plane wave incident from a dense medium onto a tenuous medium (e.g. water to air) is totally reflected from the interface, fields in the tenuous medium form such a surface wave due to boundary conditions at $z = 0$. This will be discussed in Sec. 7.4.



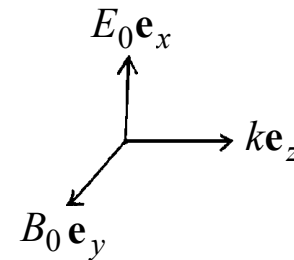
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(v) Orthogonality of vectors \mathbf{k} , \mathbf{E}_0 , and \mathbf{B}_0 in (17)-(19)

$$(17)-(19) \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{E}_0 = 0 \\ \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{B}_0 = 0 \\ \mathbf{E}_0 \cdot \mathbf{B}_0 = 0 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{l} \mathbf{E}_0, \mathbf{B}_0, \text{ and } \mathbf{k} \text{ are algebraically} \\ \text{orthogonal to one another} \end{array} \right]$$

For the homogeneous plane wave, $\mathbf{E}_0 (= E_0 \mathbf{e}_x)$, $\mathbf{B}_0 (= B_0 \mathbf{e}_y)$, and $\mathbf{k} (= k \mathbf{e}_z)$ are also *geometrically* orthogonal.



For the inhomogeneous plane wave, the algebraic orthogonality of $\mathbf{k} (= k_x \mathbf{e}_x + i k_z \mathbf{e}_z)$, $\mathbf{E}_0 (= E_{0x} \mathbf{e}_x + i E_{0z} \mathbf{e}_z)$, and $\mathbf{B}_0 (= i B_{0y} \mathbf{e}_y)$ does not imply geometric orthogonality because \mathbf{k} and \mathbf{E}_0 do not have clear geometric directions. In t -space, we have just shown

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) = [E_{0x} \cos(\omega t - k_x x) \mathbf{e}_x + E_{0z} \sin(\omega t - k_x x) \mathbf{e}_z] e^{-k_z z},$$

which shows that the wave propagates along the x -direction, but its \mathbf{E} -field also has an x -component.

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(vi) $\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{E}_0 = 0$ does not necessarily imply $\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{E}_0^* = 0$.

(A similar comment is made in Jackson, see footnote on p. 298.)

For the homogeneous plane wave ($\mathbf{k} = k\mathbf{e}_z$, $\mathbf{E}_0 = E_0\mathbf{e}_x$),

$$\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{E}_0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{E}_0^* = 0$$

But for the inhomogeneous plane wave: $\begin{cases} \mathbf{k} = k_x\mathbf{e}_x + ik_z\mathbf{e}_z \\ \mathbf{E}_0 = E_{0x}\mathbf{e}_x + iE_{0z}\mathbf{e}_z \end{cases}$

$$\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{E}_0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k_x E_{0x} - k_z E_{0z} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k_x E_{0x} = k_z E_{0z}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{E}_0^* = k_x E_{0x} + k_z E_{0z} = 2k_z E_{0z} \neq 0$$

Thus, in general, the $\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{E}_0^*$ term must be kept in (20) [see Eqs. (53) and (54) in Sec. 7.4.]

$$(vii) \text{ Rewrite (16)-(19): } \begin{cases} k = \sqrt{\mu\varepsilon}\omega & (16) \\ \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{E}_0 = 0 & (17) \\ \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{B}_0 = 0 & (18) \\ \mathbf{B}_0 = \frac{1}{\omega} \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E}_0 = \sqrt{\mu\varepsilon} \frac{\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E}_0}{k} & (19) \end{cases}$$

This set of equations is equivalent to (7.9)-(9.11) in Jackson, with ε in (7.9)-(7.11) interpreted as the generalized ε . The difference is in notations. In (7.9)-(7.11), \mathbf{n} is in general a complex unit vector subject to the condition $\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{n} = 1$, which leads to condition (7.15). Here, we treat \mathbf{k} as complex vector [as in (21)] without any additional condition except for those imposed by the Maxwell equations [(16)-(19)]. Thus, the complex \mathbf{k} is more convenient to use, as has been demonstrated in (21) and will be seen again in Sec. 7.4.

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Assumption 5: $\mathbf{k} = k\mathbf{n} = (k_r + ik_i)\mathbf{n}$

k : complex constant
 \mathbf{n} : real unit vector

Then, (17)-(19) can be written

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{E}_0 = 0 \\ \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{B}_0 = 0 \\ \mathbf{B}_0 = \sqrt{\mu\varepsilon}\mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{E}_0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{l} (16), (22)-(24) \text{ here are equivalent to} \\ (7.9)-(7.11) \text{ when } \mathbf{n} \text{ in } (7.9)-(7.11) \text{ is} \\ \text{a real unit vector and } \varepsilon \text{ in } (7.9)-(7.11) \\ \text{is interpreted as the generalized } \varepsilon. \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} (22) \\ (23) \\ (24) \end{array}$$

and $\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{E}_0 = 0 \Rightarrow \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{E}_0^* = 0$ (see p.30), (20) reduces to

$$\langle \mathbf{S} \rangle_t = \frac{1}{2} \text{Re} \left[\sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon}{\mu}} |\mathbf{E}_0|^2 e^{-2k_i \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{x}} \right] \mathbf{n} \quad (25)$$

Under assumption 5, the wave vector \mathbf{k} has a geometric direction (\mathbf{n}). Hence, (22)-(24) now represent *homogeneous* plane waves with *geometrically* orthogonal \mathbf{k} , \mathbf{E}_0 , and \mathbf{B}_0 .

In $\mathbf{k} = (k_r + ik_i)\mathbf{n}$, $k_r (= \frac{2\pi}{\lambda})$ gives the wavelength, k_i gives the rate of attenuation, and \mathbf{n} gives the direction of wave propagation.

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Definition of impedance and admittance of the medium :

$$\text{Rewrite } \mathbf{B}_0 = \sqrt{\mu\epsilon}\mathbf{n}\times\mathbf{E}_0 \quad (24)$$

In engineering literature, this equation is often written

$$\mathbf{H}_0 = \frac{\mathbf{B}_0}{\mu} = \frac{\mathbf{n}\times\mathbf{E}_0}{Z}, \quad (7.11)$$

where $Z \equiv \sqrt{\mu/\epsilon}$ is the impedance of the medium (p. 297). The admittance of the medium is defined as $Y \equiv 1/Z = \sqrt{\epsilon/\mu}$. Z and Y are *intrinsic* properties of the medium.

Let $\mathbf{E}_0 = E_0\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_1$ and $\mathbf{B}_0 = B_0\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_2$. Because \mathbf{n} , $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_1$, and $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_2$ are mutually perpendicular (see p.38), we have $Z = E_0 / H_0$
 $\Rightarrow Z$ is the (complex) amplitude ratio of E_0 and H_0 in the medium
(The definition is valid even if μ , ϵ are complex). In vacuum,

$$Z = Z_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}} = 376.7 \Omega$$