

- General Uniform Plane Wave
(Solution of 3D wave equation)
- Reflection and Transmission
 - Normal Incidence

Interested Readers:

- Balanis 4.2.2
- Textbook 6.5-6.7, Balanis 5.2

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General Uniform Plane Wave

Wave equation:

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E} - \gamma^2 \vec{E} = 0 \quad (\text{classnote p57})$$

Scalar form

$$\begin{cases} \nabla^2 E_x - \gamma^2 E_x = 0 \\ \nabla^2 E_y - \gamma^2 E_y = 0 \\ \nabla^2 E_z - \gamma^2 E_z = 0 \end{cases}$$

Consider

$$\frac{\partial^2 E_x}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 E_x}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 E_x}{\partial z^2} - \gamma^2 E_x = 0$$

Let $E_x = X(x)Y(y)Z(z)$ Separation of variables

$$Y(y)Z(z) \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial x^2} + XZ \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial y^2} + XY \frac{\partial^2 Z}{\partial z^2} - \gamma^2 XYZ = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{X} \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{Y} \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial y^2} + \frac{1}{Z} \frac{\partial^2 Z}{\partial z^2} - \gamma^2 = 0$$

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$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{x} \frac{\partial^2 x}{\partial x^2} = \gamma_x^2 \\ \frac{1}{y} \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial y^2} = \gamma_y^2 \\ \frac{1}{z} \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial z^2} = \gamma_z^2 \\ \gamma_x^2 + \gamma_y^2 + \gamma_z^2 = \gamma^2 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 x}{\partial x^2} - \gamma_x^2 x = 0 \Rightarrow A_x e^{\pm \gamma_x x}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial y^2} - \gamma_y^2 y = 0 \Rightarrow A_y e^{\pm \gamma_y y}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial z^2} - \gamma_z^2 z = 0 \Rightarrow A_z e^{\pm \gamma_z z}$$

$$E_x = x y z = A_x e^{\pm \gamma_x x} \cdot A_y e^{\pm \gamma_y y} \cdot A_z e^{\pm \gamma_z z}$$

$$= A_x A_y A_z e^{\pm (\gamma_x x + \gamma_y y + \gamma_z z)}$$

$$= A e^{\pm \vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{r}}$$

$$\vec{\gamma} = \gamma_x \hat{x} + \gamma_y \hat{y} + \gamma_z \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{r} = x \hat{x} + y \hat{y} + z \hat{z}$$

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Similarly,

$$E_y = B e^{\pm \vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{r}}$$

$$E_z = C e^{\pm \vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{r}}$$

$$\therefore \vec{E} = \hat{x} E_x + \hat{y} E_y + \hat{z} E_z$$

$$= \vec{E}_0 e^{\pm \vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{r}}$$

$$\gamma = \alpha + j\beta \quad \vec{E} = \vec{E}_0 e^{-(\vec{\alpha} + j\vec{\beta}) \cdot \vec{r}}$$

$$\vec{E}(r, t) = \text{Re} [\vec{E}_0 e^{-(\vec{\alpha} + j\vec{\beta}) \cdot \vec{r}} e^{j\omega t}]$$

$$= |\vec{E}_0| e^{-\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{r}} \cos(\omega t - \vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{r} + \angle \vec{E}_0)$$

Equi-amplitude: $\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{r} = \text{constant}$

Equi-phase: $\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{r} = \text{constant}$

Plane wave propagating along the $\vec{\beta}$ direction

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$$\text{phase} = \omega t - \vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{r} + \angle \vec{E}_0$$

$$\text{Equi-phase plane: } \omega t - \vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{r} + \angle \vec{E}_0 = C$$

$$\underline{\text{Consider}} \quad \vec{r} = r \hat{\beta}$$

$$\vec{V}_p = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = \hat{\beta} \frac{\omega}{\beta} \Leftarrow \text{phase velocity}$$

Consider the phase velocity along any \vec{r} :

$$\omega t - \hat{\beta} \beta \cdot \hat{r} r + \angle \vec{E}_0 = C$$

$$\vec{V}_{ap} = \hat{r} \frac{dr}{dt} = \hat{r} \frac{\omega}{\beta} \frac{1}{\hat{\beta} \cdot \hat{r}} \Leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{Apparent} \\ \text{phase} \\ \text{velocity} \end{array}$$

$$\lambda_{ap} = \frac{V_{ap}}{f} = \frac{\lambda}{\hat{r} \cdot \hat{\beta}} \Leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{Apparent} \\ \text{wavelength} \end{array}$$

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$$\text{For } e^{\alpha x}, \quad \frac{d}{dx} e^{\alpha x} = \alpha e^{\alpha x}$$

$$\text{For } e^{\vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{r}}, \quad \nabla e^{\vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{r}} = \vec{\gamma} e^{\vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{r}}$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\hat{e} e^{\vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{r}}) = \vec{\gamma} \cdot \hat{e} e^{\vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{r}}$$

$$\nabla \times (\hat{e} e^{\vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{r}}) = \vec{\gamma} \times \hat{e} e^{\vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{r}}$$

Consider a uniform plane wave

$$\vec{E} = \vec{E}_0 e^{-j\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{r}}$$

$$\vec{H} = \vec{H}_0 e^{-j\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{r}}$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = -j\omega\mu\vec{H}$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{H} = j\omega\epsilon\vec{E}$$

$$-j\vec{\beta} \times \vec{E}_0 e^{-j\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{r}} = -j\omega\mu\vec{H}$$

$$-j\vec{\beta} \times \vec{H}_0 e^{-j\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{r}} = j\omega\epsilon\vec{E}$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\vec{\beta} \times \vec{E} = \omega\mu\vec{H}$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\vec{\beta} \times \vec{H} = -\omega\epsilon\vec{E}$$

$$* \boxed{\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{E} = 0, \vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{H} = 0}$$

\Rightarrow For lossless plane waves, \vec{E} and \vec{H} are always perpendicular to $\vec{\beta}$

$$* \vec{E} \times (\vec{\beta} \times \vec{E}) = \omega\mu\vec{E} \times \vec{H}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c})\vec{b} - (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})\vec{c}}$$

$$\vec{E} \times (\vec{\beta} \times \vec{E}) = (\vec{E} \cdot \vec{E})\vec{\beta} - (\vec{E} \cdot \vec{\beta})\vec{E} = E^2\vec{\beta}$$

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$$\boxed{\omega \mu \vec{E} \times \vec{H} = E^2 \vec{\beta}} \Rightarrow \vec{E}, \vec{H}, \vec{\beta} \text{ form a triad}$$

$$* \quad \vec{\beta} \times (\vec{\beta} \times \vec{E}) = \omega \mu \vec{\beta} \times \vec{H} = -\omega^2 \mu \epsilon \vec{E} = -k^2 \vec{E}$$

$$\therefore \vec{\beta} \times (\vec{\beta} \times \vec{E}) = -\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{\beta} \vec{E}$$

$$\therefore \vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{\beta} \vec{E} = k^2 \vec{E} \Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{\beta} = k^2} \quad \text{Dispersion relation}$$

Summary:

$$\beta = \omega \sqrt{\mu \epsilon}$$

$$Z_w = \frac{E}{H} = \frac{H \beta / \omega \epsilon}{H} = \frac{\beta}{\omega \epsilon} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\epsilon}} = \eta$$

$$\vec{V}_p = \hat{\beta} \frac{\omega}{\beta} = \hat{\beta} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu \epsilon}}$$

$$\vec{W}_e = \frac{1}{4} \epsilon |E_0|^2$$

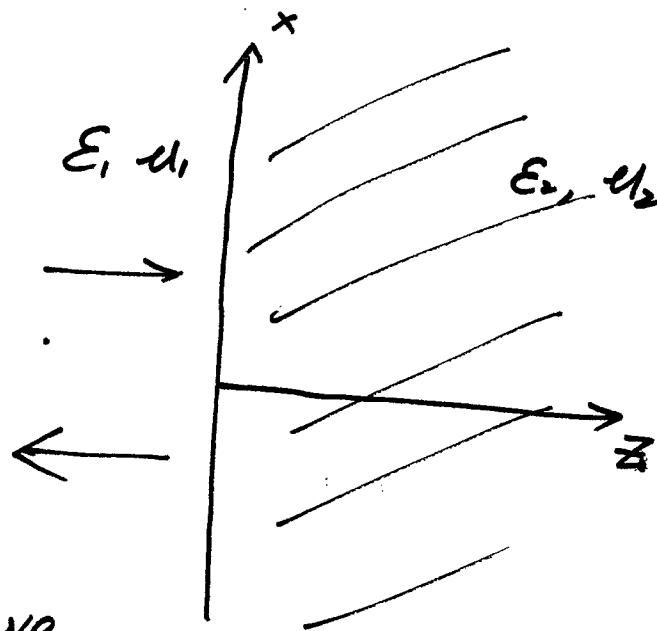
$$\vec{W}_m = \frac{1}{4} \mu |H_0|^2 = \frac{1}{4} \epsilon |E_0|^2 = \vec{W}_e$$

$$\boxed{\vec{S} = \frac{1}{2} \vec{E} \times \vec{H}^* = \frac{|E_0|^2}{2\omega\mu} \vec{\beta} = \frac{|E_0|^2}{2\eta} \hat{\beta}}$$

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Reflection and Transmission

1. Normal incidence



Consider a plane wave:

$$\vec{E}^i = \hat{x} E_0 e^{-j\beta_1 z}$$

$$\vec{E}^r = \hat{x} R E_0 e^{j\beta_1 z}$$

$$\vec{E}^t = \hat{x} T E_0 e^{-j\beta_2 z}$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = -j\omega\mu \vec{H} \Rightarrow$$

$$\vec{H}^i = \hat{y} \frac{E_0}{\eta_1} e^{-j\beta_1 z}$$

$$\vec{H}^r = -\hat{y} \frac{R E_0}{\eta_1} e^{j\beta_1 z}$$

$$\vec{H}^t = \hat{y} \frac{T E_0}{\eta_2} e^{-j\beta_2 z}$$

$$\beta_1 = \omega \sqrt{\mu_1 \epsilon_1}$$

$$\beta_2 = \omega \sqrt{\mu_2 \epsilon_2}$$

$$\eta_1 = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_1}{\epsilon_1}}$$

$$\eta_2 = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_2}{\epsilon_2}}$$

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$$\text{BC: } \hat{n} \times (\vec{E}_1 - \vec{E}_2) = 0, \quad \hat{n} \times (\vec{H}_1 - \vec{H}_2) = 0$$

$$\vec{E}_1 = \vec{E}^i + \vec{E}^r \quad \vec{E}_2 = \vec{E}^t$$

$$\vec{H}_1 = \vec{H}^i + \vec{H}^r \quad \vec{H}_2 = \vec{H}^t$$

$$E_0 + RE_0 = TE_0 \Rightarrow 1 + R = T$$

$$\frac{E_0}{\eta_1} - \frac{RE_0}{\eta_1} = \frac{TE_0}{\eta_2} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\eta_1}(1 - R) = \frac{1}{\eta_2}T$$

Solution:

$$R = \frac{\eta_2 - \eta_1}{\eta_2 + \eta_1}, \quad T = \frac{2\eta_2}{\eta_1 + \eta_2}$$

Special cases:

1. If $\eta_2 = \eta_1$, then $R = 0, T = 1$
2. If $\eta_2 = 0$, then $R = -1, T = 0$

$$\vec{E}_1 = \hat{x} E_0 (e^{-j\beta_1 z} - e^{j\beta_1 z})$$

$$= -\hat{x} E_0 2j \sin \beta_1 z \Rightarrow \text{Pure standing wave}$$

$$3. \text{SWR} = \frac{1 + |R|}{1 - |R|} = \frac{1 + \left| \frac{\eta_2 - \eta_1}{\eta_2 + \eta_1} \right|}{1 - \left| \frac{\eta_2 - \eta_1}{\eta_2 + \eta_1} \right|}$$