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#### > THE WAVE EQUATION

In regions of free space (i.e. the vacuum) - where no electric charges - no electric currents and no matter of any kind are present - Maxwell's equations (in differential form) are:

1) 
$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}(\vec{r},t) = 0$$
  
2)  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B}(\vec{r},t) = 0$   
3)  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E}(\vec{r},t) = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t}$   
4)  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}(\vec{r},t) = \mu_o \varepsilon_o \frac{\partial \vec{E}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\partial \vec{E}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t}$   
 $(c^2 = 1/\varepsilon_o \mu_o)$ 

Set of coupled first-order partial differential equations

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We can de-couple Maxwell's equations -by applying the curl operator to equations 3) and 4):

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- > These are three-dimensional de-coupled wave equations.
- Have exactly the same structure both are linear, homogeneous, 2nd order differential equations.
- Remember that each of the above equations is explicitly dependent on space and time,

*i.e.* 
$$\vec{E} = \vec{E}(\vec{r},t)$$
 and  $\vec{B} = \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)$ :

$$\nabla^{2}\vec{E}(\vec{r},t) - \frac{1}{c^{2}}\frac{\partial^{2}\vec{E}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t^{2}} = 0$$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{B}(\vec{r},t) - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

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Thus, Maxwell's equations implies that empty space – the vacuum {which is not empty, at the microscopic scale} – supports the propagation of {macroscopic} electromagnetic waves - which propagate at the speed of light {in vacuum}:

$$c = 1/\sqrt{\varepsilon_o \mu_o} = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

Monochromatic EM plane waves propagating in free space/the vacuum are sinusoidal EM plane waves consisting of a single frequency f, wavelength  $\lambda = c f$ , angular frequency  $\omega = 2\pi f$  and wave-number  $k = 2\pi / \lambda$ . They propagate with speed  $c = f \lambda = \omega k$ . In the visible region of the EM spectrum  $\langle -380 \text{ nm (violet)} \leq \lambda \leq -$ 780 nm (red)}- EM light waves (consisting of real photons) of a given frequency / wavelength are perceived by the human eye as having a specific, single colour.

Single- frequency sinusoidal EM waves are called mono-chromatic.

EM waves that propagate e.g. in the  $+z^{2}$  direction but which additionally have no explicit x- or y-dependence are known as plane waves, because for a given time, t the wave front(s) of the EM wave lie in a plane which is  $\perp$  to the z-axis,



There also exist spherical EM waves – emitted from a point source – the wave-fronts associated with these EM waves are spherical - and thus do not lie in a plane  $\perp$  to the direction of propagation of the EM wave



If the point source is infinitely far away from observer- then a spherical wave  $\rightarrow$  plane wave in this limit, (the radius of curvature  $\rightarrow \infty$ ); a spherical surface becomes planar as  $R_C \rightarrow \infty$ .

Criterion for a plane wave:  $\lambda \ll R_c$ 

Monochromatic plane waves associated with  $\vec{E}$  and  $\vec{B}$ 

$$\vec{\tilde{B}}(z,t) = \vec{\tilde{B}}_{o}e^{i(kz-\omega t)}$$

$$\vec{\tilde{E}}(z,t) = \vec{\tilde{E}}_o e^{i(kz - \omega t)}$$



$$e.g. \qquad \vec{\tilde{E}_o} = E_o e^{i\delta} \hat{x}$$

e.g. 
$$\vec{\tilde{B}_o} = B_o e^{i\delta} \hat{y}$$

n.b. The <u>real</u>, <u>physical</u> (instantaneous) fields are:

$$\vec{E}(\vec{r},t) \equiv \operatorname{Re}\left(\vec{\tilde{E}}(\vec{r},t)\right)$$
  
$$\vec{B}(\vec{r},t) \equiv \operatorname{Re}\left(\vec{\tilde{B}}(\vec{r},t)\right)$$

Maxwell's equations for free space impose additional constraints on  $\vec{\tilde{E}}_o$  and  $\vec{\tilde{B}}_o$ 

Since: 
$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = 0$$
 and:  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$   
=  $\operatorname{Re}\left(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}\right) = 0$  =  $\operatorname{Re}\left(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}\right) = 0$ 

These two relations can only be satisfied

$$\forall (\vec{r},t) \text{ if } \vec{\nabla} \cdot \tilde{E} = 0 \quad \forall (\vec{r},t) \text{ and } \vec{\nabla} \cdot \tilde{B} = 0 \quad \forall (\vec{r},t)$$

In Cartesian coordinates: 
$$\vec{\nabla} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}\hat{x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}\hat{y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\hat{z}$$
  
Thus:  $(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}) = 0$  and  $(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}) = 0$  become:

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\hat{x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}\hat{y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\hat{z}\right) \cdot \left(\vec{\tilde{E}}_{o}e^{i(kz-\omega t)}\right) = 0 \quad \text{and} \qquad \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\hat{x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}\hat{y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\hat{z}\right) \cdot \left(\vec{\tilde{B}}_{o}e^{i(kz-\omega t)}\right) = 0$$

Now suppose we do allow:

$$\vec{\tilde{E}}_{o} = \underbrace{\left(E_{ox}\hat{x} + E_{oy}\hat{y} + E_{oz}\hat{z}\right)}_{\text{polarization in }\hat{x} - \hat{y} - \hat{z} (3-D)} e^{i\delta} \equiv \vec{E}_{o}e^{i\delta}$$
$$\vec{\tilde{B}}_{o} = \underbrace{\left(B_{ox}\hat{x} + B_{oy}\hat{y} + B_{oz}\hat{z}\right)}_{\text{polarization in }\hat{x} - \hat{y} - \hat{z} (3-D)} e^{i\delta} \equiv \vec{B}_{o}e^{i\delta}$$
$$\underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\hat{x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}\hat{y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\hat{z}\right)}_{\text{polarization in }\hat{x} - \hat{y} - \hat{z} (3-D)} e^{i\delta}e$$

Then

 $E_{ox}$ ,  $E_{oy}$ ,  $E_{oz}$  = Amplitudes (constants) of the electric field components in x, y, z directions respectively.  $B_{ox}$ ,  $B_{oy}$ ,  $B_{oz}$  =Amplitudes (constants) of the magnetic field components in x, y, z directions respectively.

$$\frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\hat{x} \cdot E_{ox}\hat{x}e^{i(kz-\omega t)}e^{i\delta} = 0}{\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\hat{y} \cdot E_{oy}\hat{y}e^{i(kz-\omega t)}e^{i\delta} = 0}$$
$$\frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\hat{x} \cdot B_{ox}\hat{x}e^{i(kz-\omega t)}e^{i\delta} = 0}{\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\hat{y} \cdot B_{oy}\hat{y}e^{i(kz-\omega t)}e^{i\delta} = 0}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( e^{az} \right) = a e^{az}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z}\hat{z} \cdot E_{oz}\hat{z}e^{i(kz-\omega t)}e^{i\delta} = ikE_{oz}e^{i(kz-\omega t)}e^{i\delta} = 0 \quad \Leftarrow \text{ true iff } E_{oz} \equiv 0 \quad !!!$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z}\hat{z} \cdot B_{oz}\hat{z}e^{i(kz-\omega t)}e^{i\delta} = ikE_{oz}e^{i(kz-\omega t)}e^{i\delta} = 0 \quad \Leftarrow \text{ true iff } B_{oz} \equiv 0 \quad !!!$$

>Maxwell's equations additionally impose the restriction that an electromagnetic plane wave cannot have any component of **E** or **B**  $\parallel$  to (or anti-  $\parallel$ to) the propagation direction (in this case here, the z -direction)

>Another way of stating this is that an EM wave cannot have any longitudinal components of **E** and **B** (i.e. components of **E** and **B** lying along the propagation direction).

- ➤ Thus, Maxwell's equations additionally tell us that an EM wave is a purely transverse wave (at least for propagation in free space) – the components of E and B must be ⊥ to propagation direction.
- The plane of polarization of an EM wave is defined (by convention) to be parallel to E.

Maxwell's equations impose another restriction on the allowed form of E and B for an EM wave:



$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\tilde{E}} = \left(\frac{\partial \tilde{\tilde{E}}_{x}}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial \tilde{E}_{y}}{\partial z}\right)\hat{x} + \left(\frac{\partial \tilde{E}_{x}}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial \tilde{\tilde{E}}_{y}}{\partial x}\right)\hat{y} + \left(\frac{\partial \tilde{\tilde{E}}_{x}}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \tilde{\tilde{E}}_{y}}{\partial y}\right)\hat{z} = -\frac{\partial \tilde{B}_{x}}{\partial t}\hat{x} - \frac{\partial \tilde{B}_{y}}{\partial t}\hat{y} - \frac{\partial \tilde{\tilde{E}}_{z}}{\partial t}\hat{z}$$
$$\vec{\nabla} \times \tilde{B} = \left(\frac{\partial \tilde{\tilde{E}}_{z}}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial \tilde{\tilde{B}}_{y}}{\partial z}\right)\hat{x} + \left(\frac{\partial \tilde{B}_{x}}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial \tilde{\tilde{B}}_{y}}{\partial x}\right)\hat{y} + \left(\frac{\partial \tilde{\tilde{B}}_{y}}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \tilde{\tilde{B}}_{y}}{\partial y}\right)\hat{z} = \frac{1}{c^{2}}\frac{\partial \tilde{\tilde{E}}_{x}}{\partial t}\hat{x} + \frac{1}{c^{2}}\frac{\partial \tilde{\tilde{E}}_{y}}{\partial t}\hat{y} + \frac{1}{c^{2}}\frac{\partial \tilde{\tilde{E}}_{z}}{\partial t}\hat{z}$$

$$\vec{\tilde{E}} = \tilde{E}_x \hat{x} + \tilde{E}_y \hat{y} + \vec{\tilde{E}}_z \hat{z} = \left( E_{ox} \hat{x} + E_{oy} \hat{y} + \vec{\tilde{E}}_{oz} \hat{z} \right) e^{i(kz - \omega t)} e^{i\delta}$$
$$\vec{\tilde{B}} = \tilde{B}_x \hat{x} + \tilde{B}_y \hat{y} + \vec{\tilde{B}}_z \hat{z} = \left( B_{ox} \hat{x} + B_{oy} \hat{y} + \vec{\tilde{B}}_{oz} \hat{z} \right) e^{i(kz - \omega t)} e^{i\delta}$$

$$\vec{\tilde{E}} = \tilde{E}_x \hat{x} + \tilde{E}_y \hat{y} = \left( E_{ox} \hat{x} + E_{oy} \hat{y} \right) e^{i(kz - \omega t)} e^{i\delta}$$
$$\vec{\tilde{B}} = \tilde{B}_x \hat{x} + \tilde{B}_y \hat{y} = \left( B_{ox} \hat{x} + B_{oy} \hat{y} \right) e^{i(kz - \omega t)} e^{i\delta}$$





From (2):  $ik\tilde{E}_{ox} = +i\omega B_{oy}$   $\Rightarrow E_{ox} = +\left(\frac{\omega}{k}\right)B_{oy}$  or:  $B_{oy} = +\left(\frac{k}{\omega}\right)E_{ox}$ 

From (3): 
$$-ikB_{oy} = -\frac{1}{c^2}i\omega E_{ox} \Rightarrow B_{oy} = +\frac{1}{c^2}\left(\frac{\omega}{k}\right)E_{ox}$$

From (4): 
$$ikB_{ox} = -\frac{1}{c^2}i\omega E_{oy} \implies B_{ox} = -\frac{1}{c^2}\left(\frac{\omega}{k}\right)E_{oy}$$

$$c = f\lambda = (2\pi f) \left(\frac{\lambda}{2\pi}\right) = \left(\frac{\omega}{k}\right) \qquad \frac{1}{c} = \left(\frac{k}{\omega}\right) \qquad \left(k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}\right)$$



Actually we have only two independent relations:

But: 
$$\hat{z} \times \hat{y} = -\hat{x}$$
 and  $B_{oy} = +\frac{1}{c} E_{ox}$   
 $\hat{z} \times \hat{x} = +\hat{y}$ 

Very Useful Table:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \hat{x} \times \hat{y} = \hat{z} & \hat{y} \times \hat{x} = -\hat{z} \\ \hat{y} \times \hat{z} = \hat{x} & \hat{z} \times \hat{y} = -\hat{x} \\ \hat{z} \times \hat{x} = \hat{y} & \hat{x} \times \hat{z} = -\hat{y} \end{array}$$

Two relations can be written compactly into one relation:

$$\vec{\tilde{B}}_{o} = \frac{1}{c} \left( \hat{z} \times \vec{\tilde{E}}_{o} \right)$$

Physically this relation states that E and B are:
> in phase with each other.
> mutually perpendicular to each other - (E⊥B)⊥ z<sup>^</sup>

The **E** and **B** fields associated with this monochromatic plane EM wave are purely transverse { n.b. this is as also required by relativity at the microscopic level – for the extreme relativistic particles – the (massless) real photons travelling at the speed of light c that make up the macroscopic monochromatic plane EM wave.}

The real amplitudes of E and B are related to each other by:

$$B_o = \frac{1}{c}E_o$$
 with  $B_o = \sqrt{B_{ox}^2 + B_{oy}^2}$  and  $E_o = \sqrt{E_{ox}^2 + E_{oy}^2}$ 

#### Instantaneous Poynting's Vector for a linearly polarized EM wave

$$\vec{S}(z,t) = \frac{1}{\mu_o} \vec{E}(z,t) \times \vec{B}(z,t) = \frac{1}{\mu_o} \operatorname{Re}\left\{\tilde{\vec{E}}(z,t)\right\} \times \operatorname{Re}\left\{\tilde{\vec{B}}(z,t)\right\}$$
$$\vec{S}(z,t) = \frac{1}{\mu_o} E_o B_o \cos^2\left(kz - \omega t + \delta\right) \underbrace{\left(\hat{x} \times \hat{y}\right)}_{=\hat{z}}$$
$$\vec{S}(z,t) = \frac{1}{\mu_o} E_o B_o \cos^2\left(kz - \omega t + \delta\right) \hat{z} \qquad \left(\frac{\operatorname{Watts}}{\operatorname{m}^2}\right)$$

 $\Rightarrow$ EM Power flows in the direction of propagation of the EM wave (here, the +z<sup>^</sup> direction)

# Instantaneous Poynting's Vector for a linearly polarized EM wave



This is the paradigm for a monochromatic plane wave. The wave as a whole is said to be polarized in the x direction (by convention, we use the direction of E to specify the polarization of an electromagnetic wave).

#### Instantaneous Energy & Linear Momentum & Angular Momentum in EM Waves

**Instantaneous Energy Density Associated with an** *EM Wave*:

$$u_{EM}(\vec{r},t) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \varepsilon_o E^2(\vec{r},t) + \frac{1}{\mu_o} B^2(\vec{r},t) \right) = u_{elect}(\vec{r},t) + u_{mag}(\vec{r},t)$$

where 
$$u_{elect}(\vec{r},t) = \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon_o E^2(\vec{r},t)$$

nd 
$$u_{mag}(\vec{r},t) = \frac{1}{2\mu_o} B^2(\vec{r},t) = \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon_o E^2(\vec{r},t)$$

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#### Instantaneous Energy & Linear Momentum & Angular Momentum in EM Waves

But 
$$B^2 = \frac{1}{c^2}E^2$$
 - EM waves in vacuum, and

$$\frac{1}{c^2} = \varepsilon_o \mu_o$$

$$u_{EM}(\vec{r},t) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \varepsilon_o E^2(\vec{r},t) + \frac{\varepsilon_o \mu_o}{\mu_o} E^2(\vec{r},t) \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \varepsilon_o E^2(\vec{r},t) + \varepsilon_o E^2(\vec{r},t) \right)$$

$$u_{EM}(\vec{r},t) = \varepsilon_o E^2(\vec{r},t) = \varepsilon_o E_o^2 \cos^2\left(\vec{k}\cdot\vec{r} - \omega t + \delta\right) \left(\frac{\text{Joules}}{\text{m}^3}\right)$$

 $u_{elect}(\vec{r},t) = u_{mag}(\vec{r},t)$  - EM waves propagating in the vacuum !!!!

#### Instantaneous Poynting's Vector Associated with an EM Wave

$$\vec{S}(\vec{r},t) = \frac{1}{\mu_o} \vec{E}(\vec{r},t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{r},t) = \frac{1}{\mu_o} \operatorname{Re}\left\{\tilde{\vec{E}}(z,t)\right\} \times \operatorname{Re}\left\{\tilde{\vec{B}}(z,t)\right\} \quad \left(\frac{\operatorname{Watter}}{\mathrm{m}^2}\right)$$

For a linearly polarized monochromatic plane EM wave propagating in the vacuum,

$$\vec{S}(\vec{r},t) = c \left(\frac{\varepsilon_o \mu_o}{\mu_o}\right) E_o^2 \cos^2\left(kz - \omega t + \delta\right) \hat{z} = c\varepsilon_o E_o^2 \cos^2\left(kz - \omega t + \delta\right) \hat{z}$$

But 
$$u_{EM}(\vec{r},t) = \varepsilon_o E^2(\vec{r},t) = \varepsilon_o E_o^2 \cos^2(kz - \omega t + \delta)$$

$$\vec{S}(\vec{r},t) = c u_{EM}(\vec{r},t)\hat{z}$$

#### Instantaneous Poynting's Vector Associated with an EM Wave

The propagation velocity of energy

$$\vec{v}_{prop} = c\hat{z}$$

Poynting's Vector = Energy Density \* Propagation Velocity

$$\vec{S}(\vec{r},t) = u_{EM}(\vec{r},t)\vec{v}_{prop}$$

Instantaneous Linear Momentum Density Associated with an EM Wave:

$$\vec{\wp}_{EM}(\vec{r},t) = \varepsilon_o \mu_o \vec{S}(\vec{r},t) = \frac{1}{c^2} \vec{S}(\vec{r},t) \left(\frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^2 - \text{sec}}\right)$$

#### Instantaneous Linear Momentum Density Associated with an EM Wave

For linearly polarized monochromatic plane EM waves propagating in the vacuum:

$$\vec{\wp}_{EM} = \frac{1}{c^{\mathscr{I}}} \not c \varepsilon_o E_o^2 \cos^2 \left(kz - \omega t + \delta\right) \hat{z} = \frac{1}{c} \underbrace{\varepsilon_o E_o^2 \cos^2 \left(kz - \omega t + \delta\right)}_{=u_{EM}} \hat{z}$$

But: 
$$u_{EM}(\vec{r},t) = \varepsilon_o E^2(\vec{r},t) = \varepsilon_o E_o^2 \cos^2(kz - \omega t + \delta)$$

$$\vec{\wp}_{EM}(\vec{r},t) = \varepsilon_o \mu_o \vec{S}(\vec{r},t) = \frac{1}{c^2} \vec{S}(\vec{r},t) = \frac{1}{c} u_{EM}(\vec{r},t) \hat{z} \left(\frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^2 - \text{sec}}\right)$$

#### Instantaneous Angular Momentum Density Associated with an *EM wave*

$$\vec{\ell}_{EM}(\vec{r},t) = \vec{r} \times \vec{\wp}_{EM}(\vec{r},t) \left(\frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m-sec}}\right)$$

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$$(\vec{r},t) = \varepsilon_o \mu_o \vec{S}(\vec{r},t) = \frac{1}{c^2} \vec{S}(\vec{r},t) = \frac{1}{c} u_{EM}(\vec{r},t) \hat{z} \left[ \frac{\mathrm{kg}}{\mathrm{m}^2 - \mathrm{sec}} \right]$$

For an EM wave propagating in the +z<sup>^</sup> direction:

$$\vec{\ell}_{EM}(\vec{r},t) = \frac{1}{c^2} \vec{r} \times \vec{S}(\vec{r},t) = \frac{1}{c} u_{EM}(\vec{r},t)(\vec{r} \times \hat{z}) \left(\frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m-sec}}\right)$$
Depends on the choice of origin<sub>31</sub>

#### Instantaneous Power Associated with an EM wave

The instantaneous EM power flowing into/out of volume v with bounding surface S enclosing volume v (containing EM fields in the volume v) is:

$$P_{EM}(t) = \frac{\partial U_{EM}(t)}{\partial t} = \int_{v} \frac{\partial u_{EM}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t} d\tau = -\oint_{s} \vec{S}(\vec{r},t) \cdot d\vec{a}$$

The instantaneous EM power crossing (imaginary) surface is:

$$P_{EM}(t) = -\int_{S} \vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) \cdot d\vec{a}_{\perp}$$

The instantaneous total EM energy contained in volume v

$$U_{EM}(t) = \int_{v} u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) d\tau \quad \text{(Joules)}$$

#### Instantaneous Angular Momentum Density Associated with an *EM wave*

The instantaneous total EM linear momentum contained in the volume v is:

$$\vec{p}_{EM}(t) = \int_{v} \vec{\wp}_{EM}(\vec{r},t) d\tau \qquad \left(\frac{\text{kg-m}}{\text{sec}}\right)$$

The instantaneous total EM angular momentum contained in the volume v is:

$$\vec{\mathcal{L}}_{EM}(t) = \int_{v} \vec{\ell}_{EM}(\vec{r},t) d\tau \qquad \left(\frac{\text{kg-m}^{2}}{\text{sec}}\right)$$

# Time-Averaged Quantities Associated with EM Waves

Usually we are not interested in knowing the instantaneous power P(t), energy / energy density, Poynting's vector, linear and angular momentum, *etc.*- because experimental measurements of these quantities are very often averages over many extremely fast cycles of oscillation. For example period of oscillation of light wave

$$\tau_{light} = 1/f_{light} \simeq \frac{1}{10^{15} \text{ cps}} = 10^{-15} \text{ sec/cycle} = 1 \text{ femto-sec}$$

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We need time averaged expressions for each of these quantities - in order to compare directly with experimental data- for monochromatic plane EM light waves:

# Time-Averaged Quantities Associated with EM Waves

If we have *a "generic"* instantaneous physical quantity of the form:

$$Q(t) = Q_o \cos^2(\omega t)$$

The time-average of Q(t) is defined as:

$$\langle Q(t) \rangle \equiv \langle Q \rangle = \frac{1}{\tau} \int_{t=0}^{t=\tau} Q(t) dt = \frac{Q_o}{\tau} \int_{t=0}^{t=\tau} \cos^2(\omega t) dt$$


The time average of the  $\cos^2(\omega t)$  function:

$$\frac{1}{\tau}\int_{0}^{\tau}\cos^{2}\left(\omega t\right)dt = \frac{1}{\tau}\left[\frac{t}{2} + \frac{\sin 2\omega t}{4\omega}\right]_{t=0}^{t=\tau} = \frac{1}{2\tau}\left[\left(\tau - 0\right) + \left(\frac{\sin 2\omega \tau}{2\omega} - 0\right)\right] = \frac{1}{2\tau}\left[\tau + \frac{\sin 2\omega \tau}{2\omega}\right]$$

$$\omega \tau = 2\pi f \tau$$
  $f = 1/\tau$   $\omega \tau = 2\pi (\tau/\tau) = 2\pi$   $\sin(\omega \tau) = \sin(2\pi) = 0$ 

$$\frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^\tau \cos^2(\omega t) dt = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \right] = \frac{1}{2} \qquad \left\langle Q(t) \right\rangle = \left\langle Q \right\rangle = \frac{1}{2} Q_o$$

Thus, the time-averaged quantities associated with an EM wave propagating in free space are:

EM Energy Density:

$$u_{EM}\left(\vec{r},t\right) \Rightarrow \left\langle u_{EM}\left(\vec{r},t\right) \right\rangle$$

Total EM Energy:

$$U_{EM}(t) \Rightarrow \langle U_{EM}(t) \rangle$$

Poynting's Vector:

$$\vec{S}(\vec{r},t) \Rightarrow \left\langle \vec{S}_{EM}(\vec{r},t) \right\rangle$$

$$P_{\scriptscriptstyle E\!M}(t) \Rightarrow \langle P_{\scriptscriptstyle E\!M}(t) \rangle$$

Linear Momentum Density:

$$\vec{\wp}_{\scriptscriptstyle EM}\left(\vec{r},t\right) \Rightarrow \left\langle \vec{\wp}_{\scriptscriptstyle EM}\left(\vec{r},t\right) \right\rangle$$

Linear Momentum:

$$\vec{p}_{\scriptscriptstyle EM}\left(t
ight)\!\Rightarrow\!\left\langle \vec{p}_{\scriptscriptstyle EM}\left(t
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Angular Momentum Density:

$$\vec{\ell}_{\scriptscriptstyle EM}\left(\vec{r},t\right) \Rightarrow \left\langle \vec{\ell}_{\scriptscriptstyle EM}\left(\vec{r},t\right) \right\rangle$$

Angular Momentum:

$$\left| \vec{\mathcal{L}}_{_{EM}}(t) \Rightarrow \left\langle \vec{\mathcal{L}}_{_{EM}}(t) \right\rangle \right|$$

For a monochromatic EM plane wave propagating in free space / vacuum in ^z direction:

$$\left\langle u_{EM}\left(\vec{r},t\right)\right\rangle = \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon_{o}E_{o}^{2}\left(\frac{\text{Joules}}{\text{m}^{3}}\right)$$

$$\left\langle \vec{S}(\vec{r},t) \right\rangle = \frac{1}{2} c \varepsilon_o E_o^2 \hat{z} = c \left\langle u_{EM}(\vec{r},t) \right\rangle \hat{z} \left[ \frac{\text{Watts}}{\text{m}^2} \right]$$

$$\left\langle \vec{\wp}_{EM}\left(\vec{r},t\right) \right\rangle = \frac{1}{2c} \varepsilon_o E_o^2 \hat{z} = \frac{1}{c^2} \left\langle \vec{S}\left(\vec{r},t\right) \right\rangle = \frac{1}{c} \left\langle u_{EM}\left(\vec{r},t\right) \right\rangle \hat{z} \left( \frac{\mathrm{kg}}{\mathrm{m}^2 - \mathrm{sec}} \right)$$

$$\left\langle \ell_{EM}\left(\vec{r},t\right) \right\rangle = \left(\vec{r} \times \left\langle \vec{\wp}_{EM}\left(\vec{r},t\right) \right\rangle \right) = \frac{1}{c^2} \left(\vec{r} \times \left\langle \vec{S}\left(\vec{r},t\right) \right\rangle \right) = \frac{1}{c} \left\langle u_{EM}\left(\vec{r},t\right) \right\rangle (\hat{r} \times \hat{z}) \left(\frac{\mathrm{kg}}{\mathrm{m-sec}}\right)$$

Intensity of an *EM* wave:

$$I(\vec{r}) \equiv \langle S(\vec{r},t) \rangle = \langle \left| \vec{S}(\vec{r},t) \right| \rangle = c \langle u_{EM}(\vec{r},t) \rangle = \frac{1}{2} c \varepsilon_o E_o^2 \qquad \left( \frac{\text{Watts}}{\text{m}^2} \right)$$

The intensity of an EM wave is also known as the irradiance of the EM wave – it is the radiant power incident per unit area upon a surface.

# ELECTROMAGNETIC WAVES IN MATTER

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Consider EM wave propagation inside matter - in regions where there are NO free charges and/or free currents ( the medium is an insulator/non-conductor). For this situation, Maxwell's equations become:

1) 
$$\left| \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D}(\vec{r},t) = 0 \right|$$

$$2) \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B}(\vec{r},t) = 0$$

3) 
$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E}(\vec{r},t) = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t}$$
 4)  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H}(\vec{r},t) = \frac{\partial \vec{D}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t}$ 

The medium is assumed to be linear, homogeneous and isotropic- thus the following relations are valid in this medium:

$$\vec{D}(\vec{r},t) = \varepsilon \vec{E}(\vec{r},t)$$
 and  $\vec{H}(\vec{r},t) = \frac{1}{\mu} \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)$ 

ε = electric permittivity of the medium.
 ε = ε<sub>o</sub> (1 + χ<sub>e</sub>), χ<sub>e</sub> = electric susceptibility of the medium.
 μ = magnetic permeability of the medium.
 μ = μ<sub>o</sub> (1 + χ<sub>m</sub>), χ<sub>m</sub> = magnetic susceptibility of the medium.
 ε<sub>o</sub> = electric permittivity of free space = 8.85 × 10<sup>-12</sup> Farads/m.
 μ<sub>o</sub> = magnetic permeability of free space = 4π × 10<sup>-7</sup> Henrys/m.
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Maxwell's equations inside the linear, homogeneous and isotropic non-conducting medium become:

1) 
$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}(\vec{r},t) = 0$$
  
2)  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B}(\vec{r},t) = 0$   
3)  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E}(\vec{r},t) = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t}$   
4)  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}(\vec{r},t) = \mu \varepsilon \frac{\partial \vec{E}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t}$ 

In a linear /homogeneous/isotropic medium, the speed of propagation of EM waves is:

$$v'_{prop} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\varepsilon\mu}}$$

The *E* and *B* fields in the medium obey the following wave equation:

$$\nabla^{2}\vec{E}(\vec{r},t) = \varepsilon\mu \frac{\partial^{2}\vec{E}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t^{2}} = \frac{1}{v_{prop}^{\prime 2}} \frac{\partial^{2}\vec{E}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t^{2}}$$

$$\nabla^{2}\vec{B}(\vec{r},t) = \varepsilon\mu \frac{\partial \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{v_{prop}^{\prime 2}} \frac{\partial^{2}\vec{B}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t^{2}}$$

For linear / homogeneous / isotropic media:

$$\varepsilon = K_e \varepsilon_o = (1 + \chi_e) \varepsilon_o \qquad K_e = \frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon_o} = (1 + \chi_e) = \text{relative electric permittivity}$$
$$\mu = K_m \mu_0 = (1 + \chi_m) \mu_o \qquad K_m = \frac{\mu}{\mu_o} = (1 + \chi_m) = \text{relative magnetic permeability}$$

$$v'_{prop} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\varepsilon\mu}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{K_e \varepsilon_o K_m \mu_o}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{K_e K_m}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_o \mu_o}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{K_e K_m}} c$$
If  $K_e K_m \ge 1$  thus  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{K_e K_m}} \le 1 \Rightarrow v'_{prop} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{K_e K_m}} c \le c$ 
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Note also that since

$$K_e = \frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon_o}$$
 and  $K_m = \frac{\mu}{\mu_o}$ 

are dimensionless

quantities, then so is

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{K_e K_m}}$$

Define the index of refraction { *a dimensionless quantity* } of the linear / homogeneous / isotropic medium as:

$$n \equiv \sqrt{K_e K_m} = \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon \mu}{\varepsilon_o \mu_o}}$$

Thus, for linear / homogeneous / isotropic media:

$$v'_{prop} = c/n \ (\leq c)$$
 because  $n \geq 1$ 

Now for many (but not all) linear/homogeneous/isotropic materials:

$$\mu = \mu_o \left( 1 + \chi_m \right) \simeq \mu_o$$

(*True for many paramagnetic and diamagnetic-type materials*)

$$\chi_m | \sim \mathcal{G}(10^{-8}) \sim 0$$

Thus

$$K_m = \frac{\mu}{\mu_o} = (1 + \chi_m) \simeq 1 \implies n \simeq \sqrt{K_e} \text{ and } v'_{prop} = \frac{c}{n}$$

$$r_{op} = \frac{c}{n} \simeq \frac{c}{\sqrt{K_e}}$$

The instantaneous EM energy density associated with a linear/homogeneous/isotropic material

$$u_{EM}(\vec{r},t) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \varepsilon E^2(\vec{r},t) + \frac{1}{\mu} B^2(\vec{r},t) \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \vec{E}(\vec{r},t) \cdot \vec{D}(\vec{r},t) + \vec{B}(\vec{r},t) \cdot \vec{H}(\vec{r},t) \right) \left( \frac{\text{Joules}}{\text{m}^3} \right)$$

with 
$$\vec{D}(\vec{r},t) = \varepsilon \vec{E}(\vec{r},t)$$
 and  $\vec{H}(\vec{r},t) = \frac{1}{\mu} \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)$ 

The instantaneous Poynting's vector associated with a linear/homogeneous/isotropic material

$$\vec{S}(\vec{r},t) = \frac{1}{\mu} \left( \vec{E}(\vec{r},t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{r},t) \right) = \left( \vec{E}(\vec{r},t) \times \vec{H}(\vec{r},t) \right) \left( \frac{\text{Watts}}{\text{m}^2} \right)$$

The intensity of an EM wave propagating in a linear/homogeneous /isotropic medium is:

The instantaneous linear momentum density associated with an EM wave propagating in a linear/homogeneous/isotropic medium is:

$$\left|\vec{\wp}_{EM}(\vec{r},t) = \varepsilon \mu \vec{S}(\vec{r},t) = \frac{1}{v_{prop}^{\prime 2}} \vec{S}(\vec{r},t) = \varepsilon \right| \sqrt{\frac{1}{\lambda}} \left(\vec{E}(\vec{r},t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)\right) = \varepsilon \left(\vec{E}(\vec{r},t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)\right) \left| \left(\frac{\mathrm{kg}}{\mathrm{m}^{2}-\mathrm{sec}}\right) + \varepsilon \left(\vec{E}(\vec{r},t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)\right)\right| \right| \left(\frac{\mathrm{kg}}{\mathrm{m}^{2}-\mathrm{sec}}\right) + \varepsilon \left(\vec{E}(\vec{r},t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)\right) \left| \left(\frac{\mathrm{kg}}{\mathrm{m}^{2}-\mathrm{sec}}\right) + \varepsilon \left(\vec{E}(\vec{r},t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)\right)\right| \right| \left(\frac{\mathrm{kg}}{\mathrm{m}^{2}-\mathrm{sec}}\right) + \varepsilon \left(\vec{E}(\vec{r},t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)\right) \left| \left(\frac{\mathrm{kg}}{\mathrm{m}^{2}-\mathrm{sec}}\right) + \varepsilon \left(\vec{E}(\vec{r},t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)\right)\right| \right| \left(\frac{\mathrm{kg}}{\mathrm{m}^{2}-\mathrm{sec}}\right) + \varepsilon \left(\vec{E}(\vec{r},t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)\right) \left| \left(\frac{\mathrm{kg}}{\mathrm{m}^{2}-\mathrm{sec}}\right) + \varepsilon \left(\vec{E}(\vec{r},t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)\right)\right| \right| \left(\frac{\mathrm{kg}}{\mathrm{m}^{2}-\mathrm{sec}}\right) + \varepsilon \left(\vec{E}(\vec{r},t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)\right) \right) \left(\vec{E}(\vec{r},t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)\right) \left(\vec{E}(\vec$$

The instantaneous angular momentum density associated with an EM wave propagating in a linear/homogeneous/isotropic medium is:

$$\vec{\ell}_{EM}(\vec{r},t) = \vec{r} \times \vec{\wp}_{EM}(\vec{r},t) = \varepsilon \ \vec{r} \times \left(\vec{E}(\vec{r},t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)\right) \left(\frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m-sec}}\right)$$

Total instantaneous EM energy:  $U_{EM}(t) = \int_{v} u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) d\tau$  (Joules)

Total instantaneous linear momentum:

$$\vec{p}_{EM}(t) = \int_{v} \vec{\wp}_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) d\tau \left(\frac{\text{kg-m}}{\text{sec}}\right)$$

Instantaneous *EM* Power:

$$P_{EM}(t) = \frac{\partial U_{EM}(t)}{\partial t} = -\oint_{S} \vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) \cdot d\vec{a} \quad (Watts)$$

Total instantaneous angular momentum:

$$\vec{\mathcal{L}}_{EM}(t) = \int_{v} \vec{\ell}_{EM}(\vec{r},t) d\tau$$

$$\frac{\text{kg-m}^2}{\text{sec}}$$

Suppose the x-y plane forms the boundary between two linear media. A plane wave of frequency  $\omega$ - travelling in the z- direction and polarized in the x- direction- approaches the interface from the left



#### Reflection & Transmission of Linear Polarized Plane EM Waves at Normal Incidence Incident EM plane wave (in medium 1):

Propagates in the 
$$+\hat{z}$$
 -direction (*i.e.*  $\hat{k}_{inc} = +\hat{k}_1 = +\hat{z}$ ), with polarization  $\hat{n}_{inc} = +\hat{x}$   
$$\begin{bmatrix} \vec{\tilde{E}}_{inc}(z,t) = \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}e^{i(k_1z-\omega t)}\hat{x} & \text{with:} & k_{inc} = |\vec{k}_{inc}| = k_1 = |\vec{k}_1| = 2\pi/\lambda_1 = \omega/\nu_1 \\ \hline \vec{\tilde{B}}_{inc}(z,t) = \frac{1}{\nu_1}\hat{k}_{inc} \times \vec{\tilde{E}}_{inc}(z,t) = \frac{1}{\nu_1}\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}e^{i(k_1z-\omega t)}\hat{y} & \underline{\text{since}}: & \hat{k}_{inc} \times \hat{n}_{inc} = +\hat{z} \times \hat{x} = +\hat{y} \\ \end{bmatrix}$$

Reflected EM plane wave (in medium 1):

Propagates in the 
$$-\hat{z}$$
 -direction (*i.e.*  $\hat{k}_{refl} = -\hat{k}_1 = -\hat{z}$ ), with polarization  $\hat{n}_{refl} = +\hat{x}$   
 $\begin{bmatrix} \vec{\tilde{E}}_{refl}(z,t) = \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}}e^{i(-k_1z-\omega t)}\hat{x} \end{bmatrix}$  with:  $\begin{bmatrix} k_{refl} = |\vec{k}_1| = k_1 = |\vec{k}_1| = 2\pi/\lambda_1 = \omega/\nu_1 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $\tilde{B}_{refl}(z,t) = \frac{1}{\nu_1}\hat{k}_{refl} \times \vec{\tilde{E}}_{refl}(z,t) = -\frac{1}{\nu_1}\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}}e^{i(-k_1z-\omega t)}\hat{y} \end{bmatrix}$  since:  $\begin{bmatrix} \hat{k}_{refl} \times \hat{n}_{refl} = -\hat{z} \times \hat{x} = -\hat{y} \end{bmatrix}$ 

Transmitted EM plane wave (in medium 2):

Propagates in the 
$$+\hat{z}$$
 -direction (*i.e.*  $\hat{k}_{trans} = +\hat{k}_2 = +\hat{z}$ ), with polarization  $\left[\hat{n}_{trans} = +\hat{x}\right]$   
 $\left[\tilde{\tilde{E}}_{trans}\left(z,t\right) = \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}e^{i(k_2z-\omega t)}\hat{x}\right]$  with:  $\left[k_{trans} = \left|\vec{k}_{trans}\right| = k_2 = \left|\vec{k}_2\right| = 2\pi/\lambda_2 = \omega/\nu_2\right]$   
 $\left[\tilde{B}_{trans}\left(z,t\right) = \frac{1}{\nu_2}\hat{k}_{trans} \times \tilde{\tilde{E}}_{trans}\left(z,t\right) = \frac{1}{\nu_2}\tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}e^{i(k_2z-\omega t)}\hat{y}\right]$  since:  $\left[\hat{k}_{trans} \times \hat{n}_{trans} = +\hat{z} \times \hat{x} = +\hat{y}\right]$ 

Note that {*here, in this situation*} *the E* -field / polarization vectors are all oriented in the same direction, i.e.

 $\hat{n}_{inc} = \hat{n}_{refl} = \hat{n}_{trans} = +\hat{x}$ 

or equivalently:

$$ec{E}_{\mathit{inc}}\left(ec{r},t
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ight)\parallelec{E}_{\mathit{trans}}\left(ec{r},t
ight)$$

At the interface between the two linear / homogeneous / isotropic media -at z = 0 {in the x-y plane} the boundary conditions 1) – 4) must be satisfied for the total E and B -fields immediately present on either side of the interface:

BC 1) Normal  $\vec{D}$  continuous:

$$\varepsilon_1 E_{1_{Tot}}^{\perp} = \varepsilon_2 E_{2_{Tot}}^{\perp}$$

(*n.b.*  $\perp$  refers to the *x*-*y* boundary, *i.e.* in the  $+\hat{z}$  direction)

BC 2) Tangential  $\vec{E}$  continuous:

$$E_{\mathbf{1}_{Tot}}^{\parallel} = E_{\mathbf{2}_{Tot}}^{\parallel}$$

(*n.b.* || refers to the *x*-*y* boundary, *i.e.* in the *x*-*y* plane)

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BC 3) Normal  $\vec{B}$  continuous:

$$B_{\mathbf{1}_{Tot}}^{\perp} = B_{\mathbf{2}_{Tot}}^{\perp}$$

( $\perp$  to x-y boundary, i.e. in the +z<sup>^</sup> direction)

BC 4) Tangential 
$$\vec{H}$$
 continuous:  $\left|\frac{1}{\mu_1}B_{1_{Tot}}^{\parallel} = \frac{1}{\mu_2}B_{2_{Tot}}^{\parallel}\right|$ 

(|| to x-y boundary, i.e. in x-y plane)

For plane EM waves at normal incidence on the boundary at z = 0 lying in the x-y plane- no components of *E* or *B* (incident, reflected or transmitted waves) - allowed to be along the  $\pm z^{2}$  propagation direction(s) - the E and *B*-field are transverse fields {constraints imposed by Maxwell's equations}.

BC 1) and BC 3) impose no restrictions on such EM waves since:

$$\{E_{1_{Tot}}^{\perp} = E_{1_{Tot}}^{z} = 0; E_{2_{Tot}}^{\perp} = E_{2_{Tot}}^{z} = 0\} \text{ and } \{B_{1_{Tot}}^{\perp} = B_{1_{Tot}}^{z} = 0; B_{2_{Tot}}^{\perp} = B_{2_{Tot}}^{z} = 0\}$$

⇒ The only restrictions on plane EM waves propagating with normal incidence on the boundary at z = 0 are imposed by BC 2) and BC 4). 1/25/2012

At z = 0 in medium 1) (i.e.  $z \le 0$ ) we must have:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{\tilde{E}}_{1_{Tot}}^{\parallel} \left( z = 0, t \right) &= \vec{\tilde{E}}_{inc} \left( z = 0, t \right) + \vec{\tilde{E}}_{refl} \left( z = 0, t \right) \end{aligned} \text{ and} \\ \frac{1}{\mu_{1}} \vec{\tilde{B}}_{1_{Tot}}^{\parallel} \left( z = 0, t \right) &= \frac{1}{\mu_{1}} \vec{\tilde{B}}_{inc} \left( z = 0, t \right) + \frac{1}{\mu_{1}} \vec{\tilde{B}}_{refl} \left( z = 0, t \right) \end{aligned}$$

While at z = 0 in medium 2) (i.e.  $z \ge 0$ ) we must have:

$$\vec{\tilde{E}}_{2_{Tot}}^{\parallel} \left( z=0,t \right) = \vec{\tilde{E}}_{trans} \left( z=0,t \right) \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{\mu_2} \vec{\tilde{B}}_{2_{Tot}}^{\parallel} \left( z=0,t \right) = \frac{1}{\mu_2} \vec{\tilde{B}}_{trans} \left( z=0,t \right)$$

BC 2) (Tangential *E* is continuous @ z = 0) requires that:

$$\vec{\tilde{E}}_{1_{Tot}}^{\parallel} \Big|_{z=0} = \vec{\tilde{E}}_{2_{Tot}}^{\parallel} \Big|_{z=0} \quad \text{or:} \quad \vec{\tilde{E}}_{inc} \left( z=0,t \right) + \vec{\tilde{E}}_{refl} \left( z=0,t \right) = \vec{\tilde{E}}_{trans} \left( z=0,t \right).$$

BC 4) (Tangential *H* is continuous @ z = 0) requires that:

$$\left|\frac{1}{\mu_{1}}\vec{\tilde{B}}_{1_{Tot}}^{\parallel}\right|_{z=0} = \frac{1}{\mu_{2}}\vec{\tilde{B}}_{2_{Tot}}^{\parallel}\Big|_{z=0}$$

or: 
$$\frac{1}{\mu_1} \vec{\tilde{B}}_{inc} \left( z = 0, t \right) + \frac{1}{\mu_1} \vec{\tilde{B}}_{refl} \left( z = 0, t \right) = \frac{1}{\mu_2} \vec{\tilde{B}}_{trans} \left( z = 0, t \right)$$

Using explicit expressions for the complex E and B fields

$$\begin{split} \overline{\tilde{E}}_{inc}(z,t) &= \widetilde{E}_{o_{inc}} e^{i(k_1 z - \alpha t)} \hat{x} \\ \overline{\tilde{E}}_{inc}(z,t) &= \widetilde{E}_{o_{ref}} e^{i(-k_1 z - \alpha t)} \hat{x} \\ \overline{\tilde{E}}_{refl}(z,t) &= \widetilde{E}_{o_{refl}} e^{i(-k_1 z - \alpha t)} \hat{x} \\ \overline{\tilde{E}}_{trans}(z,t) &= \widetilde{E}_{o_{refl}} e^{i(k_2 z - \alpha t)} \hat{x} \\ \overline{\tilde{E}}_{trans}(z,t) &= \widetilde{E}_{o_{refl}} e^{i(k_2 z - \alpha t)} \hat{x} \\ \overline{\tilde{E}}_{trans}(z,t) &= \widetilde{E}_{o_{refl}} e^{i(k_2 z - \alpha t)} \hat{x} \\ \overline{\tilde{E}}_{trans}(z,t) &= \widetilde{E}_{o_{refl}} e^{i(k_2 z - \alpha t)} \hat{x} \\ \overline{\tilde{E}}_{trans}(z,t) &= \widetilde{E}_{o_{refl}} e^{i(k_2 z - \alpha t)} \hat{x} \\ \overline{\tilde{E}}_{trans}(z,t) &= \widetilde{E}_{i_{refl}} \hat{x} \\ \overline{\tilde{E}}_{trans}(z,t) &= \widetilde{E}_{i_{refl}} \hat{x} \\ \overline{\tilde{E}}_{trans}(z,t) &= \widetilde{E}_{o_{refl}} e^{i(k_2 z - \alpha t)} \hat{x} \\ \overline{\tilde{E}}_{trans}(z,t) &= \widetilde{E}_{i_{refl}} \hat{x} \\ \overline{\tilde{E}}_{trans}(z,t) \\ \overline{\tilde{E}}_{trans}(z,t) &= \widetilde{E}_{i_{refl}} \hat{x} \\ \overline{\tilde{E}}_{trans}(z,t) \\ \overline{\tilde{E}}_{trans}(z,t) &= \widetilde{E}_{i_{refl}} \hat{x} \\ \overline{\tilde{E}}_{trans}(z,t) \\ \overline{\tilde{E}}_{t$$

into the above boundary condition relations- equations become

BC 2) (Tangential  $\vec{E}$  continuous ( $\hat{a}, z = 0$ ):

BC 4) (Tangential  $\vec{H}$  continuous ( $\hat{a}, z = 0$ ):

$$\begin{split} \widetilde{E}_{o_{inc}} e^{-iet} + \widetilde{E}_{o_{reft}} e^{-iet} &= \widetilde{E}_{o_{tranc}} e^{-iet} \\ \frac{1}{\mu_{1}v_{1}} \widetilde{E}_{o_{inc}} e^{-iet} - \frac{1}{\mu_{1}v_{1}} \widetilde{E}_{o_{reft}} e^{-iet} &= \frac{1}{\mu_{2}v_{2}} \widetilde{E}_{o_{tranc}} e^{-iet} \end{split}$$

Cancelling the common  $e^{-i\omega t}$  factors on the LHS & RHS of above equations - we have at z = 0 { everywhere in the x-y plane- must be independent of any time t}:

BC 2) (Tangential  $\vec{E}$  continuous ( $\hat{a} z = 0$ ):

BC 4) (Tangential  $\vec{H}$  continuous ( $\hat{a} z = 0$ ):

$$\begin{split} \left| \begin{split} \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} &= \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} \\ \\ \left| \frac{1}{\mu_1 v_1} \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} - \frac{1}{\mu_1 v_1} \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} &= \frac{1}{\mu_2 v_2} \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} \end{split} \right| \end{split}$$

Assuming that  $\{\mu_1 \text{ and } \mu_2\}$  and  $\{v_1 \text{ and } v_2\}$  are known / given for the two media, we have <u>two</u> equations (from BC 2) and BC 4)} and <u>three</u> unknowns { $\tilde{E}_{o_{ine}}, \tilde{E}_{o_{ref}}, \tilde{E}_{o_{ref}}$ }

 $\rightarrow$  Solve above equations simultaneously for

$$\{\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} \text{ and } \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} \}$$
 in terms of / scaled to  $\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}$ 

First (for convenience) let us define: 1/25/2012

$$\beta \equiv \frac{\mu_1 \nu_1}{\mu_2 \nu_2}$$

BC 4) (Tangential *H* continuous @ z = 0) relation becomes:

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} - \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \beta \ \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}$$

BC 2) (Tangential **E** continuous @ z = 0):

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{\rm inc}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{\rm refl}} = \tilde{E}_{o_{\rm trans}}$$

BC 4) (Tangential *H* continuous @ z = 0):

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} - \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \beta \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}$$
 with  $\beta \equiv \frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2}$ 

Add and Subtract BC 2) and BC 4) relations:

$$\begin{aligned} 2\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} &= (1+\beta) \ \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} \Rightarrow \\ \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} &= \left(\frac{2}{1+\beta}\right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} \\ 2\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} &= (1-\beta) \ \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} \Rightarrow \\ \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} &= \left(\frac{1-\beta}{2}\right) \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} \end{aligned}$$
(2+4)

Insert the result of eqn. (2+4) into eqn. (2-4):

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{1-\beta}{\cancel{2}}\right) \left(\frac{\cancel{2}}{1+\beta}\right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} = \left(\frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta}\right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}$$

$$\left| \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \left( \frac{1 - \beta}{1 + \beta} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} \right| \text{ and } \left| \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} = \left( \frac{2}{1 + \beta} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} \right|$$

Now: 
$$\beta \equiv \frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2}$$
 and:  $v_1 = \frac{c}{n_1}$ ,  $v_2 = \frac{c}{n_2}$  where:  $n_1 = \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon_1 \mu_1}{\varepsilon_o \mu_o}}$  and  $n_2 = \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon_2 \mu_2}{\varepsilon_o \mu_o}}$ 

$$\beta = \frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2} = \frac{\mu_1 (c/n_1)}{\mu_2 (c/n_2)} = \frac{\mu_1 n_2}{\mu_2 n_1} = \frac{\mu_1 \sqrt{\varepsilon_2 \mu_2 / \varepsilon_o \mu_o}}{\mu_2 \sqrt{\varepsilon_1 \mu_1 / \varepsilon_o \mu_o}} = \frac{\mu_1 \sqrt{\varepsilon_2 \mu_2}}{\mu_2 \sqrt{\varepsilon_1 \mu_1}} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\varepsilon_2}{\mu_2}\right) / \left(\frac{\varepsilon_1}{\mu_1}\right)} = \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon_2 \mu_1}{\varepsilon_1 \mu_2}}$$

Now if the two media are both paramagnetic and/or diamagnetic, such that  $\left| \begin{array}{c} \gamma \\ \gamma \end{array} \right| \ll 1$ 



*i.e.* 
$$\mu_1 = \mu_o \left(1 + \chi_{m_1}\right) \approx \mu_o$$
 and:  $\mu_2 = \mu_o \left(1 + \chi_{m_2}\right) \approx \mu_o$ 

Very common for many (but not all) non-conducting linear/ homogeneous/isotropic media

Then

$$\beta \equiv \frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2} \simeq \left(\frac{v_1}{v_2}\right) = \left(\frac{n_2}{n_1}\right) \text{ for } \mu_1 \approx \mu_2 \approx \mu_o \text{ or } \left|\chi_{m_{1,2}}\right| \ll 1$$

$$\begin{split} \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = & \left(\frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta}\right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} \simeq \left(\frac{1-\left(\nu_{1}/\nu_{2}\right)}{1+\left(\nu_{1}/\nu_{2}\right)}\right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} = \left(\frac{\nu_{2}-\nu_{1}}{\nu_{2}+\nu_{1}}\right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} \\ \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} = & \left(\frac{2}{1+\beta}\right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} \simeq \left(\frac{2}{1+\left(\nu_{1}/\nu_{2}\right)}\right) \tilde{E}_{o_{nc}} = \left(\frac{2\nu_{2}}{\nu_{2}+\nu_{1}}\right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} \end{split}$$

Then

We can alternatively express these relations in terms of the indices of refraction  $n_1 & n_2$ :

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2}\right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} \text{ and } \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} = \left(\frac{2n_1}{n_1 + n_2}\right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}$$

Now since:

$$\begin{split} \widetilde{E}_{o_{inc}} &= E_{o_{inc}} e^{i\delta} \\ \widetilde{E}_{o_{refl}} &= E_{o_{refl}} e^{i\delta} \\ \widetilde{E}_{o_{trans}} &= E_{o_{trans}} e^{i\delta} \end{split}$$

 $\delta$  = phase angle (in radians) defined at the zero of time - t = 0Then for the purely real amplitudes  $(E_{o_{inc}}, E_{o_{refl}}, E_{o_{trans}})$ 

these relations become:



Monochromatic plane *EM wave at normal* incidence on a boundary between two linear / homogeneous / isotropic media

For a monochromatic plane EM wave at normal incidence on a boundary between two linear / homogeneous / isotropic media,  $\mu_1 \simeq \mu_2 \simeq \mu_o$  note the following points:

If  $v_2 > v_1$  (*i.e.*  $n_2 < n_1$ ) {*e.g.* medium 1) = glass  $\Rightarrow$  medium 2) = air}:

$$\begin{bmatrix} E_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{v_2 - v_1}{v_2 + v_1}\right) E_{o_{inv}} = \left(\frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2}\right) E_{o_{inv}} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} E_{o_{refl}} & \text{is precisely in-phase with} \\ E_{o_{inv}} & \text{because} & (v_2 - v_1) > 0 \\ \end{bmatrix}$$
If  $v_2 < v_1$  (*i.e.*  $n_2 > n_1$ ) {*e.g.* medium 1) = air  $\Rightarrow$  medium 2) = glass}:

$$i.e. \qquad \begin{bmatrix} E_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{v_2 - v_1}{v_2 + v_1}\right) E_{o_{inc}} = \left(\frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2}\right) E_{o_{inc}} \\ = \left(\frac{v_2 - v_1}{v_2 + v_1}\right) E_{o_{inc}} = -\left|\frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2}\right| E_{o_{inc}} \\ = -\left|\frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2}\right| \\ = -\left|\frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2}\right| E_{o_{inc}} \\ = -\left|\frac{n_1 - n_2$$

 $E_{o_{\text{trans}}}$  is <u>always</u> in-phase with  $E_{o_{\text{inc}}}$  for all possible  $v_1 \& v_2$   $(n_1 \& n_2)$  because:

$$E_{o_{trans}} = \left(\frac{2}{1+\beta}\right) E_{o_{inc}} \simeq \left(\frac{2v_2}{v_1+v_1}\right) E_{o_{inc}} = \left(\frac{2n_1}{n_1+n_2}\right) E_{o_{inc}}$$

What fraction of the incident *EM* wave energy is reflected? What fraction of the incident *EM* wave energy is transmitted?

In a given linear/homogeneous/isotropic medium with

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon_o \mu_o}{\varepsilon \mu}} c = c/n$$

The time-averaged energy density in the EM wave is:

$$\left\langle u_{EM}\left(\vec{r},t\right)\right\rangle = \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon E_{o}^{2}\left(\vec{r}\right) = \varepsilon E_{o_{rms}}^{2}\left(\vec{r}\right) \left(\frac{\text{Joules}}{\text{m}^{3}}\right)$$

The time-averaged Poynting's vector is:

$$\left\langle \vec{S}(\vec{r},t) \right\rangle = \frac{1}{\mu} \left\langle \vec{E}(\vec{r},t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{r},t) \right\rangle \left( \frac{\text{Watts}}{\text{m}^2} \right)$$

The intensity of the EM wave is:

$$\left|I\left(\vec{r}\right) = \left\langle \left|\vec{S}\left(\vec{r},t\right)\right|\right\rangle = v\left\langle u_{EM}\left(\vec{r},t\right)\right\rangle = v\left(\frac{1}{2}\varepsilon E_{o}^{2}\left(\vec{r}\right)\right) = \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon v E_{o}^{2}\left(\vec{r}\right) = \varepsilon v E_{o_{max}}^{2}\left(\vec{r}\right) = \left(\frac{Watts}{m^{2}}\right)$$

Note that the three Poynting's vectors associated with this problem are such that 1/25/2012

 $\vec{S}_{inc} \parallel (+\hat{z}), \quad \vec{S}_{refl} \parallel (-\hat{z}) \text{ and } \vec{S}_{trans} \parallel (+\hat{z})$ 

For a monochromatic plane *EM wave at normal incidence on a boundary between two linear* /homogeneous / isotropic media, with  $\mu_1 \simeq \mu_2 \simeq \mu_o$ 

$$\begin{split} E_{o_{refl}} = & \left(\frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta}\right) E_{o_{inc}} \simeq \left(\frac{v_2 - v_1}{v_2 + v_1}\right) E_{o_{inc}} = \left(\frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2}\right) E_{o_{inc}} \\ E_{o_{irans}} = & \left(\frac{2}{1+\beta}\right) E_{o_{inc}} \simeq \left(\frac{2v_2}{v_1 + v_1}\right) E_{o_{inc}} = & \left(\frac{2n_1}{n_1 + n_2}\right) E_{o_{inc}} \\ \end{split}$$

 $\beta \equiv \left(\frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2}\right)$ 

Take the ratios  $\left(E_{o_{refl}}/E_{o_{inc}}\right)$  and  $\left(E_{o_{trans}}/E_{o_{inc}}\right)$  - then square them:

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{refl}}}{E_{o_{inc}}}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta}\right)^2 \approx \left(\frac{v_2-v_1}{v_2+v_1}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{n_1-n_2}{n_1+n_2}\right)^2$$

and

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{trans}}}{E_{o_{inc}}}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{2}{1+\beta}\right)^2 \approx \left(\frac{2v_2}{v_2+v_1}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{2n_1}{n_1+n_2}\right)^2$$

Define the reflection coefficient as:

$$R(\vec{r}) = \left(\frac{I_{refl}(\vec{r})}{I_{inc}(\vec{r})}\right) = \frac{\left\langle \left| \vec{S}_{refl}(\vec{r},t) \right| \right\rangle}{\left\langle \left| \vec{S}_{inc}(\vec{r},t) \right| \right\rangle} = \frac{v_1 \left\langle u_{EM}^{refl}(\vec{r},t) \right\rangle}{v_1 \left\langle u_{EM}^{inc}(\vec{r},t) \right\rangle} = \frac{\left\langle u_{EM}^{refl}(\vec{r},t) \right\rangle}{\left\langle u_{EM}^{inc}(\vec{r},t) \right\rangle} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_1 v_1 E_{o_{refl}}^2(\vec{r})}{\frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_1 v_1 E_{o_{refl}}^2(\vec{r})} = \frac{E_{o_{refl}}^2(\vec{r})}{E_{o_{refl}}^2(\vec{r})}$$

Define the transmission coefficient as:

$$T\left(\vec{r}\right) \equiv \left(\frac{I_{trans}\left(\vec{r}\right)}{I_{inc}\left(\vec{r}\right)}\right) = \frac{\left\langle \left|\vec{S}_{trans}\left(\vec{r},t\right)\right|\right\rangle}{\left\langle \left|\vec{S}_{inc}\left(\vec{r},t\right)\right|\right\rangle} = \frac{v_2 \left\langle u_{EM}^{trans}\left(\vec{r},t\right)\right\rangle}{v_1 \left\langle u_{EM}^{inc}\left(\vec{r},t\right)\right\rangle} = \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\varepsilon_2 v_2 E_{o_{trans}}^2\left(\vec{r}\right)\right)}{\left(\frac{1}{2}\varepsilon_1 v_1 E_{o_{trace}}^2\left(\vec{r}\right)\right)} = \frac{\varepsilon_2 v_2 E_{o_{trans}}^2\left(\vec{r}\right)}{\varepsilon_1 v_1 E_{o_{trace}}^2\left(\vec{r}\right)}$$

For a linearly-polarized monochromatic plane EM wave at normal incidence on a boundary between two linear / homogeneous / isotropic media, with  $\mu_1 \simeq \mu_2 \simeq \mu_o$ 

**Reflection coefficient:** 

Transmission coefficient:

$$\begin{split} R\left(\vec{r}\right) &\equiv \left(\frac{I_{refl}\left(\vec{r}\right)}{I_{inc}\left(\vec{r}\right)}\right) = \left(\frac{E_{o_{refl}}\left(\vec{r}\right)}{E_{o_{inc}}\left(\vec{r}\right)}\right)^{2} \\ T\left(\vec{r}\right) &\equiv \left(\frac{I_{trans}\left(\vec{r}\right)}{I_{inc}\left(\vec{r}\right)}\right) = \left(\frac{\varepsilon_{2}v_{2}}{\varepsilon_{1}v_{1}}\right) \left(\frac{E_{o_{trans}}\left(\vec{r}\right)}{E_{o_{inc}}\left(\vec{r}\right)}\right)^{2} \end{split}$$

But:

$$\frac{\left(\frac{E_{o_{refl}}\left(\vec{r}\right)}{E_{o_{inc}}\left(\vec{r}\right)}\right)^{2} = \left(\frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta}\right)^{2} \simeq \left(\frac{v_{2}-v_{1}}{v_{2}+v_{1}}\right)^{2} = \left(\frac{n_{1}-n_{2}}{n_{1}+n_{2}}\right)^{2}}{\left(\frac{E_{o_{inc}}\left(\vec{r}\right)}{E_{o_{inc}}\left(\vec{r}\right)}\right)^{2} = \left(\frac{2}{1+\beta}\right)^{2} \simeq \left(\frac{2v_{2}}{v_{2}+v_{1}}\right)^{2} = \left(\frac{2n_{1}}{n_{1}+n_{2}}\right)^{2}}$$

Thus Reflection and Transmission coefficient:



$$T(\vec{r}) = \left(\frac{\varepsilon_2 v_2}{\varepsilon_1 v_1}\right) \left(\frac{2}{1+\beta}\right)^2 = \beta \left(\frac{2}{1+\beta}\right)^2 = \frac{4\beta}{\left(1+\beta\right)^2} \approx \frac{4v_2 v_1}{\left(v_2+v_1\right)^2} = \frac{4n_1 n_2}{\left(n_1+n_2\right)^2}$$

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Thus:

$$R(\vec{r}) + T(\vec{r}) = \frac{(1-\beta)^2}{(1+\beta)^2} + \frac{4\beta}{(1+\beta)^2} = \frac{(1-\beta)^2 + 4\beta}{(1+\beta)^2} = \frac{1-2\beta + \beta^2 + 4\beta}{(1+\beta)^2} = \frac{1+2\beta + \beta^2}{(1+\beta)^2} = \frac{(1+\beta)^2}{(1+\beta)^2} = 1$$

$$R(\vec{r}) + T(\vec{r}) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow EM \quad \text{energy} \quad \text{is conserved at the interface/boundary between two L/H/I media}}_{1/25/2012}$$

For a linearly-polarized monochromatic plane EM wave at normal incidence on a boundary between two linear / homogeneous / isotropic media, with  $\mu_1 \simeq \mu_2 \simeq \mu_o$ 

Reflection coefficient:

$$\mu_1 \simeq \mu_2 \simeq \mu_o$$

$$R(\vec{r}) = \left(\frac{I_{refl}(\vec{r})}{I_{inc}(\vec{r})}\right) = \left(\frac{E_{o_{refl}}(\vec{r})}{E_{o_{inc}}(\vec{r})}\right)^2 = \frac{(1-\beta)^2}{(1+\beta)^2} \approx \left(\frac{v_2 - v_1}{v_2 + v_1}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2}\right)^2$$

Transmission coefficient:

$$T(\vec{r}) \equiv \left(\frac{I_{trans}(\vec{r})}{I_{inc}(\vec{r})}\right) = \beta \left(\frac{E_{o_{trans}}(\vec{r})}{E_{o_{inc}}(\vec{r})}\right)^{2} = \frac{4\beta}{(1+\beta)^{2}} \approx \frac{4v_{2}v_{1}}{(v_{2}+v_{1})^{2}} = \frac{4n_{1}n_{2}}{(n_{1}+n_{2})^{2}}$$

$$\mu_{1} \simeq \mu_{2} \simeq \mu_{0}$$
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A monochromatic plane EM wave incident at an oblique angle  $\theta_{inc}$  on a boundary between two linear/ homogeneous/isotropic media, defined with respect to the normal to the interface- as shown in the figure below:



The incident EM wave is:

$$\vec{\tilde{E}}_{inc}\left(\vec{r},t\right) = \vec{\tilde{E}}_{o_{inc}} e^{i\left(\vec{k}_{inc}\cdot\vec{r}-\omega t\right)} \quad \text{and} \quad \left|\vec{\tilde{B}}_{inc}\left(\vec{r},t\right) = \frac{1}{\nu_{1}}\hat{k}_{inc}\times\vec{\tilde{E}}_{inc}\left(\vec{r},t\right)\right|$$

The reflected EM wave is:

$$\vec{\tilde{E}}_{refl}\left(\vec{r},t\right) = \vec{\tilde{E}}_{o_{refl}}e^{i\left(\vec{k}_{refl}\cdot\vec{r}-\omega t\right)} \quad \text{and} \quad \left|\vec{\tilde{B}}_{refl}\left(\vec{r},t\right) = \frac{1}{\nu_{1}}\hat{k}_{refl}\times\vec{\tilde{E}}_{refl}\left(\vec{r},t\right)\right|$$

The transmitted EM wave is:

$$\vec{\tilde{E}}_{trans}\left(\vec{r},t\right) = \vec{\tilde{E}}_{o_{trans}}e^{i\left(\vec{k}_{trans}\cdot\vec{r}-\omega t\right)} \text{ and } \vec{\tilde{B}}_{trans}\left(\vec{r},t\right) = \frac{1}{\nu_2}\hat{k}_{trans}\times\vec{\tilde{E}}_{trans}\left(\vec{r},t\right)$$

All three EM waves have the same frequency-  $f = \omega/2\pi$ 

$$\omega = k_{inc} v_1 = k_{refl} v_1 = k_{trans} v_2$$

$$k_{inc} = k_{refl} = k_1 = \left(\frac{\nu_2}{\nu_1}\right) k_{trans} = \left(\frac{\nu_2}{\nu_1}\right) k_2 = \left(\frac{n_1}{n_2}\right) k_{trans} = \left(\frac{n_1}{n_2}\right) k_2$$

$$v_i = c/n_i \quad i = 1, 2$$

The total EM fields in medium 1

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{\tilde{E}}_{Tot_1}(\vec{r},t) &= \vec{\tilde{E}}_{inc}(\vec{r},t) + \vec{\tilde{E}}_{refl}(\vec{r},t) \end{aligned} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{\tilde{B}}_{Tot_1}(\vec{r},t) = \vec{\tilde{B}}_{inc}(\vec{r},t) + \vec{\tilde{B}}_{refl}(\vec{r},t) \end{aligned}$$

Must match to the total EM fields in medium 2:

$$\vec{\tilde{E}}_{Tot_2}(\vec{r},t) = \vec{\tilde{E}}_{trans}(\vec{r},t)$$
 and  $\vec{\tilde{B}}_{Tot_2}(\vec{r},t) = \vec{\tilde{B}}_{trans}(\vec{r},t)$ 

Using the boundary conditions  $BC1) \rightarrow BC4$  at z = 0.

At z = 0- four boundary conditions are of the form:

$$(-) e^{i\left(\vec{k}_{inc}\cdot\vec{r}-\omega t\right)} + (-) e^{i\left(\vec{k}_{refl}\cdot\vec{r}-\omega t\right)} = (-) e^{i\left(\vec{k}_{trans}\cdot\vec{r}-\omega t\right)}$$

They must hold for all (x,y) on the interface at z = 0 - and also must hold for all times, t. The above relation is already satisfied for arbitrary time, t - the factor  $e^{-i\omega t}$  is common to all terms.

The following relation must hold for all (x,y) on interface at at z = 0:

$$(--) e^{i\left(\vec{k}_{inc}\cdot\vec{r}\right)} + (--) e^{i\left(\vec{k}_{refl}\cdot\vec{r}\right)} = (--) e^{i\left(\vec{k}_{trans}\cdot\vec{r}\right)}$$

When z = 0 - at interface we must have:

$$\vec{k}_{inc} \bullet \vec{r} = \vec{k}_{refl} \bullet \vec{r} = \vec{k}_{trans} \bullet \vec{r}$$

$$k_{inc_x}x + k_{inc_y}y = k_{refl_x}x + k_{refl_y}y = k_{trans_x}x + k_{trans_y}y \quad @ z = 0$$

The above relation can only hold for arbitrary (x, y, z = 0) **iff** ( = if and only if):

The above relation can only hold for arbitrary (x, y, z = 0) **iff ( = if and only if)**:

$$\begin{aligned} k_{inc_x} x &= k_{refl_x} x = k_{trans_x} x \implies k_{inc_x} = k_{refl_x} = k_{trans_x} \\ k_{inc_y} y &= k_{refl_y} y = k_{trans_y} y \implies k_{inc_y} = k_{refl_y} = k_{trans_y} \end{aligned}$$

The problem has rotational symmetry about the z –axis- then without any loss of generality we can choose k to lie entirely within the x-z plane, as shown in the figure

$$k_{inc_y} = k_{refl_y} = k_{trans_y} = 0$$
 and thus:  $k_{inc_x} = k_{refl_x} = k_{trans_y}$ 

The transverse components of  $\vec{k}_{inc}, \vec{k}_{refl}, \vec{k}_{trans}$  are all equal and point in the +x<sup>^</sup> direction.



#### **The First Law of Geometrical Optics:**

The incident, reflected, and transmitted wave vectors form a plane (called the plane of incidence), which also includes the normal to the surface (here, the z axis).

**The Second Law of Geometrical Optics (Law of Reflection):** From the figure, we see that:

$$\begin{bmatrix} k_{inc_{x}} = k_{inc} \sin \theta_{inc} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k_{refl_{x}} = k_{refl} \sin \theta_{refl} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k_{trans_{x}} = k_{trans} \sin \theta_{trans} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} k_{inc} = k_{refl} = k_{1} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \boxed{\sin \theta_{inc}} = \sin \theta_{refl}$$
Angle of Incidence = Angle of Reflection 
$$\begin{bmatrix} \theta_{inc} = \theta_{refl} \end{bmatrix}$$
Law of Reflection!

The Third Law of Geometrical Optics (Law of Refraction – Snell's Law):

For the transmitted angle,  $\theta_{trans}$  we see that:

and

$$k_{inc}\sin\theta_{inc} = k_{trans}\sin\theta_{trans}$$

In medium 1):  
where 
$$k_{inc} = k_1 = \omega/v_1 = n_1\omega/c = n_1k_o$$
  
 $k_o$  = vacuum wave number  $= 2\pi/\lambda_o$ 

$$\lambda_o =$$
 vacuum wave length

In medium 2): 
$$k_{trans} = k_2 = \omega/v_2 = n_2\omega/c = n_2k_o$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left| k_{inc} \sin \theta_{inc} = k_{trans} \sin \theta_{trans} \right| \Rightarrow \left| k_{1} \sin \theta_{inc} = k_{2} \sin \theta_{trans} \right| \\ k_{inc} = k_{1} = n_{1}k_{o} \text{ and } k_{trans} = k_{2} = n_{2}k_{o} \end{aligned}$$

$$k_{1} \sin \theta_{inc} = k_{2} \sin \theta_{trans} \Rightarrow \left| n_{1} \sin \theta_{inc} = n_{2} \sin \theta_{trans} \right| \qquad \text{Law of Refraction (Snell's Law)} \end{aligned}$$
Which can also be written as:
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sin \theta_{trans}}{\sin \theta_{inc}} = \frac{n_{1}}{n_{2}} \end{aligned}$$
Since  $\theta_{trans}$  refers to medium 2) and  $\theta_{inc}$  refers to medium 1)
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{n_{1} \sin \theta_{1} = n_{2} \sin \theta_{2}}{(\text{incident) (transmitted)}} \text{ or: } \frac{\frac{\sin \theta_{2}}{\sin \theta_{1}} = \frac{n_{1}}{n_{2}}}{\frac{\sin \theta_{1}}{\sin \theta_{1}} = \frac{n_{1}}{n_{2}}} \end{aligned}$$

Because of the three laws of geometrical optics, we see that:

$$\vec{k}_{inc} \cdot \vec{r} \Big|_{z=0} = \vec{k}_{refl} \cdot \vec{r} \Big|_{z=0} = \vec{k}_{trans} \cdot \vec{r} \Big|_{z=0}$$

everywhere on the interface at *z* = 0 {*in the x-y plane*}

Thus we see that: 
$$\left| e^{i\left(\vec{k}_{inc}\cdot\vec{r}-\omega t\right)} \right|_{z=0} = e^{i\left(\vec{k}_{refl}\cdot\vec{r}-\omega t\right)} \left|_{z=0} = e^{i\left(\vec{k}_{trans}\cdot\vec{r}-\omega t\right)} \right|_{z=0}$$

everywhere on the interface at z = 0 {in the x-y plane}, valid also for arbitrary/any/all time(s) t, since  $\omega$  is the same in either medium (1 or 2).

The BC 1)  $\rightarrow$  BC 4) for a monochromatic plane *EM* wave incident on an interface at an oblique angle between two linear/homogeneous/isotropic media become:

BC 1): Normal (z-) component of D continuous at z = 0 (no free surface charges):

$$\varepsilon_1 \left( \tilde{E}_{o_{inc_z}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl_z}} \right) = \varepsilon_2 \tilde{E}_{o_{irans_z}} \left[ \text{ (using } \vec{D} = \varepsilon \vec{E} \right]$$

BC 2): Tangential (x-, y-) components of E continuous at z = 0:

$$\left(\tilde{E}_{o_{\mathit{inc}_{x,y}}}+\tilde{E}_{o_{\mathit{refl}_{x,y}}}\right)=\tilde{E}_{o_{\mathit{trans}_{x,y}}}$$

BC 3): Normal (z-) component of **B** continuous at z = 0:

$$\left(\tilde{B}_{o_{inc_z}} + \tilde{B}_{o_{refl_z}}\right) = \tilde{B}_{o_{trans_z}}$$

BC 4): Tangential (x-, y-) components of *H* continuous at z = 0 (no free surface currents):

$$\frac{1}{\mu_1} \left( \tilde{B}_{o_{inc_{x,y}}} + \tilde{B}_{o_{refl_{x,y}}} \right) = \frac{1}{\mu_2} \tilde{B}_{o_{trans_{x,y}}}$$

Note that in each of the above, we also have the relation

$$\vec{\tilde{B}}_o = \frac{1}{v}\hat{k} \times \vec{\tilde{E}}_o$$

For a monochromatic plane EM wave incident on a boundary between two L / H/ I media at an oblique angle of incidence, there are three possible polarization cases to consider:

Case I): 
$$\vec{E}_{inc} \perp$$
 plane of incidence Transverse Electric (TE)  
{ $\vec{B}_{inc} \parallel$  plane of incidence} Polarization

Case II):  $\vec{E}_{inc} \parallel$  plane of incidence Transv  $\{\vec{B}_{inc} \perp \text{ plane of incidence}\}$  (TM) F

Transverse Magnetic (TM) Polarization

Case III): The most general case:  $\vec{E}_{inc}$  is neither  $\perp$  nor  $\parallel$  to the plane of incidence.  $\{\Rightarrow \vec{B}_{inc} \text{ is neither } \parallel \text{ nor } \perp \text{ to the plane of incidence}\}$  98

**Case I): Electric Field Vectors Perpendicular to the Plane of Incidence: Transverse Electric (TE)** *Polarization* 

•A monochromatic plane EM wave is incident on a boundary at z = 0 -in the x-y plane between two L/H/I media - at an oblique angle of incidence.

•The polarization of the incident EM wave is transverse ( $\perp$ ) to the plane of incidence {containing the three wave-vectors and the unit normal to the boundary n<sup>^</sup> = +z<sup>^</sup>}).

•The three B-field vectors are related to their respective E field vectors by the right hand rule - all three B-field vectors lie in the x-z plane {the plane of incidence},

The four boundary conditions on the {complex} *E* and *B* fields on the boundary at z = 0 are:

BC 1) Normal (*z*-) component of D continuous at z = 0 (no free surface charges)

$$\mathcal{E}_{1}\left(\tilde{E}_{o_{inc_{z}}}^{=0} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl_{z}}}^{=0}\right) = \mathcal{E}_{2}\tilde{E}_{o_{trans_{z}}}^{=0} \implies \boxed{0+0=0}$$

BC 2) Tangential (*x*-, *y*-) components of E continuous at z = 0:

$$\left(\tilde{E}_{o_{inc_y}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl_y}}\right) = \tilde{E}_{o_{trans_y}} \implies \boxed{\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}}} = \tilde{E}_{o_{trans_y}}$$

BC 3) Normal (*z*-) component of B continuous at z = 0:

$$\left(\tilde{B}_{o_{inc_z}} + \tilde{B}_{o_{refl_z}}\right) = \tilde{B}_{o_{trans_z}}$$

$$\hat{k}_{inc} = \hat{k}_{inc_x} + \hat{k}_{inc_z} = \sin \theta_{inc} \hat{x} + \cos \theta_{inc} \hat{z}$$
$$\hat{k}_{refl} = \hat{k}_{refl_x} + \hat{k}_{refl_z} = \sin \theta_{refl} \hat{x} - \cos \theta_{refl} \hat{z}$$
$$\hat{k}_{trans} = \hat{k}_{trans_x} + \hat{k}_{trans_z} = \sin \theta_{trans} \hat{x} + \cos \theta_{trans} \hat{z}$$

$$\left(\tilde{B}_{o_{inc_{z}}}\hat{z}+\tilde{B}_{o_{refl_{z}}}\hat{z}\right)=\tilde{B}_{o_{trans_{z}}}\hat{z}=\frac{1}{v_{1}}\left(\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}\sin\theta_{inc}+\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}}\sin\theta_{refl}\right)\hat{z}=\frac{1}{v_{2}}\tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}\sin\theta_{trans}\hat{z}$$

BC 4) Tangential (x-, y-) components of H continuous at z = 0 (no free surface currents):

$$\frac{1}{\mu_1} \left( \tilde{B}_{o_{inc_x}} \hat{x} + \tilde{B}_{o_{refl_x}} \hat{x} \right) = \frac{1}{\mu_2} \tilde{B}_{o_{irans_x}} \hat{x}$$

$$= \left| \frac{1}{\mu_1 v_1} \left( \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} \left( -\cos \theta_{inc} \right) + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} \cos \theta_{refl} \right) \hat{x} - \frac{1}{\mu_2 v_2} \tilde{E}_{o_{irans}} \left( -\cos \theta_{irans} \right) \hat{x} \right| \right|$$

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}$$
(from BC 2))

Using the Law of Reflection on the BC 3) result:

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{v_1}{v_2} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta_{trans}}{\sin \theta_{inc}}\right) \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}$$

Using Snell's Law / Law of Refraction:

$$\begin{bmatrix} n_1 \sin \theta_{inc} = n_2 \sin \theta_{trans} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \frac{n_1}{c} \sin \theta_{inc} = \frac{n_2}{c} \sin \theta_{trans} \\ \frac{n_1 \sin \theta_{inc}}{c} = \frac{1}{v_2} \sin \theta_{trans} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{v_1} \sin \theta_{inc} = \frac{1}{v_2} \sin \theta_{trans} \\ \frac{1}{v_2} \sin \theta_{inc} = \frac{1}{v_2} \sin \theta_{trans} \end{bmatrix}$$
  
$$\therefore \quad \begin{bmatrix} \frac{v_1}{v_2} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta_{trans}}{\sin \theta_{inc}} \end{bmatrix} = 1$$

From BC 1)  $\rightarrow$  BC 4) actually have only two independent relations for the case of transverse electric (TE) polarization:

1) 
$$\overline{\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}}} = \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}$$

2) 
$$\left(\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} - \tilde{E}_{o_{reft}}\right) = \left(\frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2} \cdot \frac{\cos \theta_{trans}}{\cos \theta_{inc}}\right) \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}$$

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or

Now we define:

$$\beta \equiv \left(\frac{\mu_1 \nu_1}{\mu_2 \nu_2}\right)$$

$$\alpha \equiv \left(\frac{\cos\theta_{trans}}{\cos\theta_{inc}}\right)$$

Then eqn. 2) becomes:

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} - \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \alpha \beta \ \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}$$

Adding and subtracting Eqn's 1 &2 to get:

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} = \left(\frac{2}{1+\alpha\beta}\right)\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} \quad \text{eqn. (1+2)} \quad \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{1-\alpha\beta}{2}\right)\tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} \quad \text{eqn. (2-1)}$$

Plug eqn. (2+1) into eqn. (2–1) to obtain:

$$\widetilde{E}_{o_{\textit{refl}}} = \left(\frac{1 - \alpha\beta}{2}\right) \left(\frac{2}{1 + \alpha\beta}\right) \widetilde{E}_{o_{\textit{inc}}} = \left(\frac{1 - \alpha\beta}{1 + \alpha\beta}\right) \widetilde{E}_{o_{\textit{inc}}}$$

$$\frac{\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}}}{\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}} = \left(\frac{1 - \alpha\beta}{1 + \alpha\beta}\right) \text{ and } \frac{\tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}}{\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}} = \left(\frac{2}{1 + \alpha\beta}\right)$$

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$$E_{o_{refl}}^{TE} = \left(\frac{1 - \alpha\beta}{1 + \alpha\beta}\right) E_{o_{inc}}^{TE} \text{ and } E_{o_{trans}}^{TE} = \left(\frac{2}{1 + \alpha\beta}\right) E_{o_{inc}}^{TE}$$

with 
$$\alpha \equiv \left(\frac{\cos \theta_{trans}}{\cos \theta_{inc}}\right)$$
 and  $\beta \equiv \left(\frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2}\right)$ 

For TE polarization:

**Incident Intensity** 

$$I_{inc}^{TE} = \left| \left\langle \vec{S}_{inc}^{TE}(t) \right\rangle \cdot \hat{z} \right| = \left( \frac{1}{2} v_1 \varepsilon_1 \left( E_{o_{inc}}^{TE} \right)^2 \right) \left| \hat{k}_{inc} \cdot \hat{z} \right| = \left( \frac{1}{2} v_1 \varepsilon_1 \left( E_{o_{inc}}^{TE} \right)^2 \right) \cos \theta_{inc} = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_1 v_1 \left( E_{o_{inc}}^{TE} \right)^2 \cos \theta_{inc}$$

**Reflection Intensity** 

$$I_{refl}^{TE} = \left| \left\langle \vec{S}_{refl}^{TE}(t) \right\rangle \cdot \hat{z} \right| = \left( \frac{1}{2} v_1 \varepsilon_1 \left( E_{o_{refl}}^{TE} \right)^2 \right) \cos \theta_{refl} = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_1 v_1 \left( E_{o_{refl}}^{TE} \right)^2 \cos \theta_{inc}$$

#### **Transmission Intensity**

$$\left|I_{trans}^{TE} = \left|\left\langle \vec{S}_{trans}^{TE}\left(t\right)\right\rangle \cdot \hat{z}\right| = \left(\frac{1}{2}v_{2}\varepsilon_{2}\left(E_{o_{trans}}^{TE}\right)^{2}\right)\cos\theta_{trans} = \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon_{2}v_{2}\left(E_{o_{trans}}^{TE}\right)^{2}\cos\theta_{trans}$$
**Reflection and Transmission coefficients for transverse electric (TE)** *polarization* 

$$R_{TE} \equiv \frac{I_{refl}^{TE}}{I_{inc}^{TE}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_1 v_1 \left(E_{o_{refl}}^{TE}\right)^2 \cos \frac{\theta_{refl}}{\theta_{inc}}}{\frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_1 v_1 \left(E_{o_{inc}}^{TE}\right)^2 \cos \theta_{inc}} = \left(\frac{E_{o_{refl}}^{TE}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TE}}\right)^2$$

$$T_{TE} \equiv \frac{I_{trans}^{TE}}{I_{inc}^{TE}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_2 v_2 \left(E_{o_{trans}}^{TE}\right)^2 \cos \theta_{trans}}{\frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_1 v_1 \left(E_{o_{inc}}^{TE}\right)^2 \cos \theta_{inc}} = \left(\frac{\varepsilon_2 v_2}{\varepsilon_1 v_1}\right) \left(\frac{\cos \theta_{trans}}{\cos \theta_{inc}}\right) \left(\frac{E_{o_{trans}}^{TE}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TE}}\right)^2$$

The reflection and transmission coefficients for transverse electric (*TE*) polarization

$$R_{\rm TE} = \left(\frac{E_{o_{\rm refl}}^{\rm TE}}{E_{o_{\rm inc}}^{\rm TE}}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{1 - \alpha\beta}{1 + \alpha\beta}\right)^2$$

$$T_{TE} = \alpha \beta \left(\frac{E_{o_{trans}}^{TE}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TE}}\right)^2 = \frac{4\alpha\beta}{\left(1 + \alpha\beta\right)^2}$$

### Case II): Electric Field Vectors Parallel to the Plane of Incidence: Transverse Magnetic (TM) Polarization

•A monochromatic plane EM wave is incident on a boundary at z = 0 in the x-y plane between two L / H/ I media at an oblique angle of incidence.

•The polarization of the incident EM wave is now parallel to the plane of incidence {containing the three wavevectors and the unit normal to the boundary  $n^{2} = +z^{2}$ }.

• The three B -field vectors are related to E -field vectors by the right hand rule –then all three B-field vectors are  $\perp$  to the plane of incidence {hence the origin of the name transverse magnetic polarization}.



The four boundary conditions on the {complex}E and B-fields on the boundary at z = 0 are:

BC 1) Normal (z-) component of D continuous at z = 0 (no free surface charges)

$$\begin{split} \varepsilon_{1}\left(\tilde{E}_{o_{inc_{z}}}+\tilde{E}_{o_{refl_{z}}}\right) &= \varepsilon_{2}\tilde{E}_{o_{trans_{z}}}\\ \varepsilon_{1}\left(-\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}\sin\theta_{inc}+\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}}\sin\theta_{refl}\right) &= \varepsilon_{2}\left(-\tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}\sin\theta_{trans}\right) \end{split}$$

BC 2) Tangential (x-, y-) components of E continuous at z = 0:

$$\begin{split} & \left(\tilde{E}_{o_{inc_{x}}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl_{x}}}\right) = \tilde{E}_{o_{trans_{x}}} \\ & \left(\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}\cos\theta_{inc} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}}\cos\theta_{refl}\right) = \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}\cos\theta_{trans} \end{split}$$

BC 3) Normal (*z*-) component of B continuous at z = 0:

$$\left(\tilde{\tilde{B}}_{o_{inc_z}}^{=0} + \tilde{\tilde{B}}_{o_{refl_z}}^{=0}\right) = \tilde{\tilde{B}}_{o_{trans_z}}^{=0} \implies \boxed{0+0=0}$$

BC 4) Tangential (x-, y-) components of H continuous at z = 0 (no free surface currents):

$$\frac{1}{\mu_1} \left( \tilde{B}_{o_{inc_y}} + \tilde{B}_{o_{refl_y}} \right) = \frac{1}{\mu_2} \left( \tilde{B}_{o_{irans_y}} \right) \implies \frac{1}{\mu_1 v_1} \left( \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} - \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} \right) = \frac{1}{\mu_2 v_2} \tilde{E}_{o_{irans_y}}$$

From BC 1) at *z* = 0:

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} - \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{\varepsilon_2}{\varepsilon_1} \frac{n_1}{n_2}\right) \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} = \left(\frac{\varepsilon_2 v_2}{\varepsilon_1 v_1}\right) \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} = \beta \ \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}$$

From BC 4) at z = 0:

$$\left| \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} - \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \left( \frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} = \beta \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}$$

$$\beta \equiv \left(\frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2}\right) = \left(\frac{\varepsilon_2 v_2}{\varepsilon_1 v_1}\right)$$

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where:

From BC 2) at z = 0:

$$\left(\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}}\right) = \left(\frac{\cos\theta_{trans}}{\cos\theta_{inc}}\right)\tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} = \alpha\tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} \quad \text{where:} \quad \alpha \equiv \frac{\cos\theta_{trans}}{\cos\theta_{inc}}$$

Thus for the case of transverse magnetic (TM) polarization:

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} - \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \beta \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}$$
 and  $\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \alpha \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}$ 

Solving these two above equations simultaneously, we obtain:

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} = \left(\frac{2}{\alpha + \beta}\right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} \qquad \qquad \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{\alpha - \beta}{2}\right) \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} \qquad \qquad \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{\alpha - \beta}{\alpha + \beta}\right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}$$

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$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{refl}}^{TM}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TM}}\right) = \left(\frac{\alpha - \beta}{\alpha + \beta}\right) \text{ and } \left(\frac{E_{o_{trans}}^{TM}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TM}}\right) = \left(\frac{2}{\alpha + \beta}\right)$$

**Reflected & transmitted intensities at oblique incidence for the** *TM case* 

$$\begin{split} I_{inc}^{TM} &= v_1 \left| \left\langle \vec{S}_{inc}^{TM} \left( t \right) \right\rangle \cdot \hat{z} \right| = \left( \frac{1}{2} v_1 \varepsilon_1 \left( E_{o_{inc}}^{TM} \right)^2 \right) \cos \theta_{inc} = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_1 v_1 \left( E_{o_{inc}}^{TM} \right)^2 \cos \theta_{inc} \\ I_{refl}^{TM} &= v_1 \left| \left\langle \vec{S}_{refl}^{TM} \left( t \right) \right\rangle \cdot \hat{z} \right| = \left( \frac{1}{2} v_1 \varepsilon_1 \left( E_{o_{refl}}^{TM} \right)^2 \right) \cos \theta_{refl} = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_1 v_1 \left( E_{o_{refl}}^{TM} \right)^2 \cos \theta_{inc} \\ I_{trans}^{TM} &= v_2 \left| \left\langle \vec{S}_{trans}^{TM} \left( t \right) \right\rangle \cdot \hat{z} \right| = \left( \frac{1}{2} v_2 \varepsilon_2 \left( E_{o_{trans}}^{TM} \right)^2 \right) \cos \theta_{trans} = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_2 v_2 \left( E_{o_{trans}}^{TM} \right)^2 \cos \theta_{trans} \end{split}$$

**Reflection and Transmission coefficients** 

$$R_{TM} = \left(\frac{E_{o_{refl}}^{TM}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TM}}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{\alpha - \beta}{\alpha + \beta}\right)^2$$

$$T_{TM} = \alpha \beta \left(\frac{E_{o_{trans}}^{TM}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TM}}\right)^2 = \frac{4\alpha\beta}{\left(\alpha + \beta\right)^2}$$

#### **The Fresnel Equations**



TM Polarization



$$v_2 = c/n_2 = 1/\sqrt{\varepsilon_2 \mu_2}$$

Reflection and Transmission Coefficients R & T $\underline{R+T=1}$ 



#### **Alternate versions of the Fresnel Relations**

Fresnel Equations

TE Polarization



TM Polarization



Ignoring the magnetic properties of the two media  $\chi_m \ll 1$  then  $\mu_1 \simeq \mu_2 \simeq \mu_o$  the Fresnel Relations become:

#### <u>TE Polarization</u>



<u>TM Polarization</u>



Using Snell's Law and various trigonometric identities

#### TE Polarization



#### TM Polarization



Use Snell's Law  $n_{inc} \sin \theta_{inc} = n_{trans} \sin \theta_{trans}$  to eliminate  $\theta_{trans}$ :

**TE Polarization** 





TM Polarization



- Now explore the physics associated with the Fresnel Equations -the reflection and transmission coefficients.
- Comparing results for TE vs. TM polarization for the cases of external reflection (n1 < n2) and internal reflection n1 > n2)

### Comment 1):

■ When  $(E_{refl}/E_{inc}) < 0 - E_{orefl}$  is 180° out-of-phase with  $E_{oinc}$  since the numerators of the original Fresnel Equations for TE & TM polarization are  $(1-\alpha\beta)$  and  $(\alpha - \beta)$  respectively.

### Comment 2):

•For TM Polarization (only)- there exists an angle of incidence where  $(E_{refl} / E_{inc}) = 0$  - no reflected wave occurs at this angle for TM polarization!

•This angle is known as Brewster's angle  $\theta_B$  (also known as the polarizing angle  $\theta_P$  - because an incident wave which is a linear combination of TE and TM polarizations will have a reflected wave which is 100% pure-TE polarized for an incidence angle  $\theta_{inc} = \theta_B = \theta_P !!$ ).

•Brewster's angle  $\theta_B$  exists for both external ( $n_1 < n_2$ ) & internal reflection ( $n_1 > n_2$ ) for TM polarization (only).

**Brewster's Angle**  $\theta_{\rm B}$  / the Polarizing Angle  $\theta_{\rm P}$  for Transverse Magnetic (TM) Polarization

From the numerator of  $(E_{a_{ref}}^{TM}/E_{a_{inc}}^{TM}) = (\frac{\alpha - \beta}{\alpha + \beta})$ -the originally-derived expression for TM polarization- when this ratio = 0 at Brewster's angle  $\theta_{\rm B}$  = polarizing angle  $\theta_{\rm P}$  - this occurs when ( $\alpha - \beta$ )=0, i.e. when  $\alpha = \beta$ .

$$\cos \theta_{trans} = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta_{trans}} \quad \text{and Snell's Law:} \quad \sin \theta_{trans} = \left(\frac{n_1}{n_2}\right) \sin \theta_{inc}$$
$$\alpha = \frac{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{n_1}{n_2}\right)^2 \sin^2 \theta_{inc}}}{\cos \theta_{inc}} \simeq \left(\frac{n_2}{n_1}\right) = \beta$$

**Brewster's Angle**  $\theta_B$  / the Polarizing Angle  $\theta_P$  for Transverse Magnetic (TM) Polarization

$$\begin{split} \hline 1 - \frac{1}{\beta^2} \sin^2 \theta_{inc} &= \beta^2 \cos^2 \theta_{inc} = \beta^2 \left( 1 - \sin^2 \theta_{inc} \right) &\leftarrow \text{Solve for } \sin^2 \theta_{inc} \\ \hline 1 - \beta^2 &= \left( \frac{1}{\beta^2} - \beta^2 \right) \sin^2 \theta_{inc} \\ \Rightarrow \quad \sin^2 \theta_{inc} = \frac{1 - \beta^2}{\frac{1}{\beta^2} - \beta^2} = \frac{\left( 1 - \beta^2 \right) \beta^2}{\left( 1 - \beta^4 \right)} \\ \hline 1 - \beta^4 &= \left( 1 - \beta^2 \right) \left( 1 + \beta^2 \right) \\ \hline \sin^2 \theta_{inc} = \frac{\left( 1 - \beta^2 \right) \beta^2}{\left( 1 - \beta^2 \right) \left( 1 + \beta^2 \right)} = \frac{\beta^2}{1 + \beta^2} \\ \Rightarrow \quad \sin \theta_{inc} = \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{1 + \beta^2}} \end{split}$$



Thus, at an angle of incidence  $\theta_{inc} = \theta_B^{inc} = \theta_P^{inc}$  = Brewster's angle / the polarizing angle for a *TM* polarized incident wave, where <u>no reflected</u> wave exists, we have:

$$\tan \theta_{\mathcal{B}}^{inc} = \tan \theta_{\mathcal{P}}^{inc} \simeq \left(\frac{n_2}{n_1}\right) \quad \text{for} \quad \mu_1 \simeq \mu_2 \simeq \mu_o$$

From Snell's Law:  $n_1 \sin \theta_{inc} = n_2 \sin \theta_{trans}$  we also see that:  $\tan \theta_B^{inc} = \frac{\sin \theta_B^{inc}}{\cos \theta_B^{inc}} \simeq \frac{n_2}{n_1}$ or:  $n_1 \sin \theta_B^{inc} \simeq n_2 \cos \theta_B^{inc}$  for  $\mu_1 \simeq \mu_2 \simeq \mu_0$ .

Thus, from Snell's Law we see that:  $\cos \theta_B^{inc} = \sin \theta_{trans}$  when  $\theta_{inc} = \theta_B^{inc} \equiv \theta_P^{inc}$ .

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So what's so interesting about this???

$$\underline{\text{Well}}: \left| \cos \theta_B^{inc} = \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta_B^{inc} \right) = \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \cos \theta_B^{inc} - \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \sin \theta_B^{inc} = \sin \theta_{trans} \right| i.e. \left| \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta_B^{inc} \right) = \sin \theta_{trans} \right|$$

... When  $\theta_{inc} = \theta_B^{inc} \equiv \theta_P^{inc}$  for an incident *TM*-polarized *EM* wave, we see that  $\theta_{trans} = \pi/2 - \theta_B^{inc}$ <u>Thus</u>:  $\theta_B^{inc} + \theta_{trans} = \pi/2$ , *i.e.*  $\theta_B^{inc} \equiv \theta_P^{inc}$  and  $\theta_{trans}$  are <u>complimentary</u> angles !!!

#### Comment 3):

For internal reflection  $(n_1 > n_2)$  there exists a critical angle of incidence past which no transmitted beam exists for either TE or TM polarization. The critical angle does not depend on polarization – it is actually dictated / defined by Snell's Law:

$$\left| n_{1} \sin \theta_{critical}^{inc} = n_{2} \sin \theta_{trans}^{max} = n_{2} \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = n_{2} \quad \text{or:} \quad \left| \sin \theta_{critical}^{inc} = \left(\frac{n_{2}}{n_{1}}\right) \right| \quad \text{or:} \quad \left| \theta_{critical}^{inc} = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{n_{2}}{n_{1}}\right) \right|$$

For  $\theta_{inc} \ge \theta_{critical}^{inc}$ , no transmitted beam exists  $\rightarrow$  incident beam is totally internally reflected.

For  $\theta_{inc} > \theta_{critical}^{inc}$ , the transmitted wave is actually exponentially damped – becomes a so-called:

### **Evanescent Wave:**



Brewster's angle for *TE polarization*:

$$\theta_{inc}^{B} = \sin^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{\left(\frac{\varepsilon_{2}}{\varepsilon_{1}}\right) - \left(\frac{\mu_{2}}{\mu_{1}}\right)}{\left(\frac{\mu_{1}}{\mu_{2}}\right) - \left(\frac{\mu_{2}}{\mu_{1}}\right)}} = \sin^{-1} \sqrt{A}$$



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Free charge and free currents are zero for propagation through a vacuum or insulating materials such as glass or pure water.

Inside a conductor, free charges can move around in response to EM fields contained therein- free current is not zero.

Assume that the conductor is linear/homogeneous/ isotropic media.

From Ohm's Law

$$\vec{J}_{free}(\vec{r},t) = \sigma_{c}\vec{E}(\vec{r},t)$$

where  $\sigma_c$  = conductivity of the metal conductor (*Ohm*<sup>-1</sup>/*m*) and  $\sigma_c$  = 1/ $\rho_c$  where  $\rho_c$  = resistivity of the metal conduct or (*Ohm*-*m*).

For such a conductor, we can assume that the linear/ homogeneous/isotropic conducting medium has electric permittivity  $\varepsilon$  and magnetic permeability  $\mu$ . Maxwell's equations inside such a conductor are thus:

1) 
$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}(\vec{r},t) = \rho_{free}(\vec{r},t)/\varepsilon$$
  
2)  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B}(\vec{r},t) = 0$   
3)  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E}(\vec{r},t) = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t}$   
Using Ohm's Law:  
 $\vec{J}_{free}(\vec{r},t) = \sigma_c \vec{E}(\vec{r},t)$   
 $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}(\vec{r},t) = \mu \vec{J}_{free}(\vec{r},t) + \mu \varepsilon \frac{\partial \vec{E}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t} = \mu \sigma_c \vec{E}(\vec{r},t) + \mu \varepsilon \frac{\partial \vec{E}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t}$ 

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Electric charge is (always) conserved- thus the continuity equation inside the conductor is:



thus:

$$\frac{\sigma_{c}\rho_{free}(\vec{r},t)}{\varepsilon} = -\frac{\partial\rho_{free}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t} \quad \underline{\text{or}}: \quad \frac{\partial\rho_{free}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t} + \left(\frac{\sigma_{c}}{\varepsilon}\right)\rho_{free}(\vec{r},t) = 0$$

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1st order linear, homogeneous differential equation

The {physical} general solution of this differential equation for the free charge density is of the form:

$$\rho_{\textit{free}}\left(\vec{r},t\right) = \rho_{\textit{free}}\left(\vec{r},t=0\right)e^{-\sigma_{\textit{C}}t/\varepsilon} = \rho_{\textit{free}}\left(\vec{r},t=0\right)e^{-t/\tau_{\textit{relax}}}$$

### A damped exponential!!!

The continuity equation inside a conductor tells us that any free charge density initially present at time t = 0 is exponentially damped in a characteristic time  $\tau_{relax} \equiv \varepsilon/\sigma_c$  = charge relaxation time.

Maxwell's equations for a *charge-equilibrated conductor* 

1) 
$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}(\vec{r},t) = 0$$
 2)  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B}(\vec{r},t) = 0$ 

3) 
$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E}(\vec{r},t) = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t}$$

4) 
$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}(\vec{r},t) = \mu \sigma_c \vec{E}(\vec{r},t) + \mu \varepsilon \frac{\partial \vec{E}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t} = \mu \left( \sigma_c \vec{E}(\vec{r},t) + \varepsilon \frac{\partial \vec{E}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t} \right)$$

These equations are different from the previous derivation(s) of monochromatic plane EM waves propagating in free space/vacuum and/or in linear/homogeneous/ isotropic non-conducting materials Re-derive the wave equations for E & B from scratch. As before, we apply  $\nabla \times$  () to equations 3) and 4):

We get

$$\vec{E}(\vec{r},t) = \mu \varepsilon \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t^2} + \mu \sigma_c \frac{\partial \vec{E}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t}$$

 $\nabla^2 \vec{B}(\vec{r},t) = \mu \varepsilon \frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t^2} + \mu \sigma_c \frac{\partial \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)}{\partial t}$ 

General solution(s) - are usually in the form of an oscillatory function times a damping term (*a decaying exponential*) – in the direction of the propagation of the EM wave. A complex planewave type solutions for E and B associated with the above wave equation(s) are of the general form:

$$\tilde{\vec{E}}(z,t) = \tilde{\vec{E}}_{o}e^{i\left(\tilde{k}z - \omega t\right)}$$

$$\tilde{\vec{B}}(z,t) = \tilde{\vec{B}}_{o}e^{i(\tilde{k}z-\omega t)} = \left(\frac{\tilde{k}}{\omega}\right)\hat{k} \times \tilde{\vec{E}}(z,t) = \frac{1}{\omega}\tilde{\vec{k}} \times \tilde{\vec{E}}(z,t)$$

## MONOCHROMATIC PLANE WAVES IN CONDUCTING MEDIA

With {frequency-dependent} complex wave number:

 $\tilde{k}(\omega) = k(\omega) + i\kappa(\omega)$ 

$$k(\omega) = \Re e\left(\tilde{k}(\omega)\right) = \omega \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon\mu}{2}} \left[\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\sigma_c}{\varepsilon\omega}\right)^2} + 1\right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\kappa(\omega) = \Im m\left(\tilde{k}(\omega)\right) = \omega \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon\mu}{2}} \left[\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\sigma_c}{\varepsilon\omega}\right)^2} - 1\right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

## MONOCHROMATIC PLANE WAVES IN CONDUCTING MEDIA

The imaginary part of k,  $\kappa = \Im(k)$  results in an exponential attenuation/damping of the monochromatic plane *EM* wave with increasing *z*:

$$\tilde{\vec{E}}(z,t) = \tilde{\vec{E}}_{o}e^{-\kappa z}e^{i(kz-\omega t)}$$

$$\tilde{\vec{B}}(z,t) = \tilde{\vec{B}}_{o}e^{-\kappa z}e^{i(kz-\omega t)} = \frac{1}{\omega}\tilde{\vec{k}}\times\tilde{\vec{E}}(z,t) = \frac{1}{\omega}\tilde{\vec{k}}\times\tilde{\vec{E}}_{o}e^{-\kappa z}e^{i(kz-\omega t)}$$

These solutions satisfy the above wave equations for any choice  $\tilde{\vec{E}}_{o}$ 

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The characteristic distance over which E and B are attenuated/reduced to 1/e=0.3679- of their initial values (at z = 0) is known as the skin depth

$$\delta_{sc}(\omega) \equiv 1/\kappa(\omega)$$

$$\delta_{sc}(\omega) = \frac{1}{\kappa(\omega)} = \frac{1}{\omega\sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon\mu}{2}}} \left[\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\sigma_c}{\varepsilon\omega}\right)^2 - 1}\right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\vec{E}}(z = \delta_{sc}, t) = \tilde{\vec{E}}_o e^{-1}e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \\ \tilde{\vec{B}}(z = \delta_{sc}, t) = \tilde{\vec{B}}_o e^{-1}e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \end{bmatrix}$$
The real part of *k*- determines the spatial wavelength  $\lambda$  ( $\omega$ )-the propagation speed v( $\omega$ ) and also the index of refraction

$$\lambda(\omega) = \frac{2\pi}{k(\omega)} = \frac{2\pi}{\Re e(\tilde{k}(\omega))}$$
$$v(\omega) = \frac{\omega}{k(\omega)} = \frac{\omega}{\Re e(\tilde{k}(\omega))}$$
$$n(\omega) = \frac{c}{k(\omega)} = \frac{c}{2\pi}$$

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 $v(\omega)$ 

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 $\omega$ 

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The above plane wave solutions satisfy the above wave equations(s). Maxwell's equations rue out the presence of any longitudinal i.e, *z*- component of E and B.

*E and B a*re purely transverse waves (as before), even in a conductor!

If we consider - a linearly polarized monochromatic plane EM wave propagating in the  $+z^{-1}$ -direction in a conducting medium, e.g.

$$\tilde{\vec{E}}(z,t) = \tilde{E}_o e^{-\kappa z} e^{i(kz-\omega t)} \hat{x}$$

then

$$\tilde{\vec{B}}(z,t) = \frac{1}{\omega} \tilde{\vec{k}} \times \tilde{\vec{E}}(z,t) = \left(\frac{\tilde{k}}{\omega}\right) \tilde{E}_o e^{-\kappa z} e^{i(kz-\omega t)} \hat{y} = \left(\frac{k+i\kappa}{\omega}\right) \tilde{E}_o e^{-\kappa z} e^{i(kz-\omega t)} \hat{y}$$

 $\Rightarrow \tilde{\vec{E}}(z,t) \perp \tilde{\vec{B}}(z,t) \perp \hat{z} \quad (+\hat{z} = \text{propagation direction})$ 

The complex wave-number  $\tilde{k} = k + ik = Ke^{i\phi}$ 

where: 
$$K \equiv \left| \tilde{k} \right| = \sqrt{k^2 + \kappa^2}$$
 and  $\phi_k \equiv \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\kappa}{k} \right)$ 

In the complex  $\tilde{k}$  -plane:



Then we see that:

$$\tilde{\vec{E}}(z,t) = \tilde{E}_o e^{-\kappa z} e^{i(kz-\omega t)} \hat{x}$$

has 
$$\tilde{E}_o = E_o e^{i\delta_E}$$

$$\tilde{\vec{B}}(z,t) = \tilde{B}_{0}e^{-\kappa z}e^{i(kz-\omega t)}\hat{y} = \frac{\tilde{k}}{\omega}\tilde{E}_{o}e^{-\kappa z}e^{i(kz-\omega t)}\hat{y}$$

has 
$$\widetilde{k} = Ke^{i\phi_k}$$
$$\widetilde{B}_o = B_o e^{i\delta_B} = \frac{\widetilde{k}}{\omega} \widetilde{E}_o = \frac{Ke^{i\phi_k}}{\omega} E_o e^{i\delta_E}$$

$$B_{o}e^{i\delta_{B}} = \frac{Ke^{i\phi_{k}}}{\omega}E_{o}e^{i\delta_{B}} = \frac{K}{\omega}E_{o}e^{i(\delta_{E}+\phi_{k})} = \frac{\sqrt{k^{2}+\kappa^{2}}}{\omega}E_{o}e^{i(\delta_{E}+\phi_{k})}$$

inside a conductor, **E** and **B** are no longer in phase with each other!!!

Phases of *E* and *B* 

$$\delta_{\scriptscriptstyle B} = \delta_{\scriptscriptstyle E} + \phi_{\scriptscriptstyle k}$$

With phase difference:

$$\Delta \varphi_{B-E} \equiv \delta_B - \delta_E = \phi_k$$

We also see that:

$$\frac{B_o}{E_o} = \frac{K}{\omega} = \left[ \varepsilon \mu \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\sigma_c}{\varepsilon \omega}\right)^2} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \neq \frac{1}{c}$$

The real/physical *E* and *B* fields associated with linearly polarized monochromatic plane *EM* waves propagating in a conducting medium are exponentially damped:

$$\vec{E}(z,t) = \Re e\left(\tilde{\vec{E}}(z,t)\right) = E_o e^{-\kappa z} \cos\left(kz - \omega t + \delta_E\right) \hat{x} \qquad \gg \qquad \boxed{\delta_B = \delta_E + \phi_k} \quad \searrow \\ \vec{B}(z,t) = \Re e\left(\vec{B}(z,t)\right) = B_o e^{-\kappa z} \cos\left(kz - \omega t + \delta_B\right) \hat{y} = B_o e^{-\kappa z} \cos\left(kz - \omega t + \{\delta_E + \phi_k\}\right) \hat{y}$$

$$\left|\frac{B_o}{E_o} = \frac{K(\omega)}{\omega} = \left[\varepsilon\mu\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\sigma_c}{\varepsilon\omega}\right)^2}\right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

where

$$K(\omega) \equiv \left| \tilde{k}(\omega) \right| = \sqrt{k^2(\omega) + \kappa^2(\omega)} = \omega \left[ \varepsilon \mu \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\sigma_c}{\varepsilon \omega}\right)^2} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\delta_{B} = \delta_{E} + \phi_{k}, \quad \phi_{k}(\omega) \equiv \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\kappa(\omega)}{k(\omega)}\right)$$

$$\tilde{k}(\omega) = \left| \tilde{\vec{k}}(\omega) \right| = k(\omega) + i\kappa(\omega)$$

and

Definition of the *skin depth in a conductor*:

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$$\delta_{sc}(\omega) \equiv \frac{1}{\kappa(\omega)} = \frac{1}{\omega\sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon\mu}{2}}} \left[\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\sigma_c}{\varepsilon\omega}\right)^2} - 1\right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Distance over which the  $\vec{E}$  and  $\vec{B}$  fields fall to  $1/e = e^{-1} = 0.3679$  of their initial values.



In the presence of free surface charges  $\sigma$  and free surface currents- the Bc's for reflection and refraction at *e.g.* a dielectric-conductor interface become:

BC 1): (normal *D* at interface):

$$\varepsilon_{1}E_{1}^{\perp}-\varepsilon_{2}E_{2}^{\perp}=\sigma_{\textit{free}}$$

BC 2): (tangential *E* at interface):

BC 3): (normal *B* at interface):

$$E_1^{\parallel} - E_2^{\parallel} = 0 \implies E_1^{\parallel} = E_2^{\parallel}$$

$$B_1^{\perp} - B_2^{\perp} = 0 \implies B_1^{\perp} = B_2^{\perp}$$

BC 4): (tangential *H* at interface):

$$\frac{1}{\mu_1}B_1^{\parallel} - \frac{1}{\mu_2}B_2^{\parallel} = \vec{K}_{free} \times \hat{n}_{\vec{1}}$$

 $\perp$  = normal to plane of interface || = parallel to plane of interface

Where  $n_{21} \rightarrow is$  a unit vector  $\perp$  to the interface, pointing from medium (2) into medium (1).

Incident *EM* wave {medium (1)}:

$$\tilde{\vec{E}}_{inc}(z,t) = \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}e^{i(k_1z-\omega t)}\hat{x} \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{\vec{B}}_{inc}(z,t) = \frac{1}{\nu_1}\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}e^{i(k_1z-\omega t)}\hat{y}$$

Reflected *EM* wave {medium (1)}:

$$\tilde{\vec{E}}_{refl}(z,t) = \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}}e^{i(-k_1z=\omega t)}\hat{x} \quad \text{and} \quad \left|\tilde{\vec{B}}_{refl}(z,t) = -\frac{1}{\nu_1}\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}}e^{i(-k_1z-\omega t)}\right|$$

Transmitted EM wave {medium (2)}:

$$\tilde{\vec{E}}_{trans}(z,t) = \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}e^{i(\tilde{k}_{2}z-\omega t)}\hat{x} \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{\vec{B}}_{trans}(z,t) = \frac{\tilde{k}_{2}}{\omega}\tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}e^{i(\tilde{k}_{2}z-\omega t)}\hat{y}$$

complex wave-number in {conducting} medium (2):

$$\tilde{k}_2 = k_2 + i\kappa_2$$

In medium (1) EM fields are:

$$\tilde{\vec{E}}_{Tot_{1}}(z,t) = \tilde{\vec{E}}_{inc}(z,t) + \tilde{\vec{E}}_{refl}(z,t) \qquad \tilde{\vec{B}}_{Tot_{1}}(z,t) = \tilde{\vec{B}}_{inc}(z,t) + \tilde{\vec{B}}_{refl}(z,t)$$

In medium (2) EM fields are:

$$\tilde{\vec{E}}_{Tot_2}(z,t) = \tilde{\vec{E}}_{trans}(z,t) \quad \underline{\text{and}}: \quad \tilde{\vec{B}}_{Tot_2}(z,t) = \tilde{\vec{B}}_{trans}(z,t)$$

Apply BC's at the z = 0 interface in the x-y plane:

BC 1): 
$$\varepsilon_1 E_1^{\perp} - \varepsilon_2 E_2^{\perp} = \sigma_{free}$$
 but  $E_1^{\perp} = \tilde{E}_{1_z} = 0$  and:  $E_2^{\perp} = \tilde{E}_{2_z} = 0$ 

$$0 - 0 = \sigma_{\rm free} \Rightarrow \sigma_{\rm free} = 0$$

BC 2): 
$$E_1^{\parallel} = E_2^{\parallel}$$
  $\therefore$   $\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}$ 

BC 3): 
$$\begin{vmatrix} B_{1}^{\perp} = B_{2}^{\perp} \end{vmatrix} \quad \underline{\text{but}}: \begin{vmatrix} B_{1}^{\perp} = B_{1_{z}} = 0 \end{vmatrix} \quad \underline{\text{and}}: \begin{vmatrix} B_{2}^{\perp} = B_{2_{z}} = 0 \end{vmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 0 = 0 \end{vmatrix}$$
  
BC 4): 
$$\begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{\mu_{1}} B_{1}^{\parallel} - \frac{1}{\mu_{2}} B_{2}^{\parallel} = \vec{K}_{free} \times \hat{n}_{z1} \end{vmatrix} \quad \underline{\text{but}}: \begin{vmatrix} \vec{K}_{free} = 0 \end{vmatrix} \therefore \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{\mu_{1}v_{1}} \left( \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} - \tilde{E}_{o_{ref}} \right) - \frac{\vec{k}_{2}}{\mu_{2}\omega} \tilde{E}_{o_{incc}} = 0 \end{vmatrix}$$
  
$$\underline{\text{or}}: \begin{vmatrix} \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} - \tilde{E}_{o_{ref}} = \tilde{\beta}\tilde{E}_{o_{incc}} \end{vmatrix} \quad \underline{\text{with}}: \begin{vmatrix} \tilde{\beta} = \left( \frac{\mu_{1}v_{1}\tilde{k}_{2}}{\mu_{2}\omega} \right) = \left( \frac{\mu_{1}v_{1}}{\mu_{2}\omega} \right)\tilde{k}_{2} \end{vmatrix}$$

Thus we obtain:



#### with

$$\tilde{\beta} \equiv \left(\frac{\mu_1 v_1 \tilde{k}_2}{\mu_2 \omega}\right) = \left(\frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 \omega}\right) \tilde{k}_2$$

The relations for reflection/transmission of EMW at normal incidence on a non-conductor/conductor boundary are identical to those obtained for reflection / transmission of EMW at normal incidence on a boundary/interface between two non-conductors- except for the replacement of  $\beta$  with a complex  $\beta$ .

For the case of a perfect conductor, the conductivity

$$\sigma_c = \infty$$
 {thus resistivity,  $\rho_c = 1/\sigma_c = 0$  }

$$\Rightarrow \underline{both} \quad k_2 \approx \kappa_2 \approx \sqrt{\frac{\omega\mu_2\sigma_c}{2}} = \infty \quad \text{and since:} \quad \tilde{k}_2 = k_2 + i\kappa_2 \quad \text{then:} \quad \tilde{k}_2 = \infty + i\infty = \infty(1+i)$$
  
and since: 
$$\tilde{\beta} \equiv \left(\frac{\mu_1v_1\tilde{k}_2}{\mu_2\omega}\right) = \left(\frac{\mu_1v_1}{\mu_2\omega}\right)\tilde{k}_2 \Rightarrow \underline{\tilde{\beta}} = \infty$$

Thus, for a perfect conductor, we see that:

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = -\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}$$
 and  $\tilde{E}_{trans} = 0$ 

For a perfect conductor the reflection and transmission coefficients are:

$$R \equiv \left(\frac{E_{o_{refl}}}{E_{o_{inc}}}\right)^2 = \left|\frac{\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}}}{\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}}\right|^2 = \left(\frac{\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}}}{\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}}\right) \left(\frac{\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}}}{\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}}\right)^* = 1 \quad \underline{\text{and}}: \quad \underline{T = 1 - R = 0}$$

We also see that for a perfect conductor, for normal incidence, the reflected wave undergoes a 180 degree phase shift with respect to the incident wave at the interface at z = 0 in the x-y plane. A perfect conductor screens out all *EM* waves from propagating in its interior.

For a good conductor- the conductivity is large- but finite. The reflection coefficient R for monochromatic plane EM waves at normal incidence on a good conductor is not unity- but close to it. *{This is why good conductors make good mirrors!}*.

$$R = \left(\frac{E_{o_{refl}}}{E_{o_{inc}}}\right)^{2} = \left|\frac{\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}}}{\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}}\right|^{2} = \left(\frac{\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}}}{\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}}\right) \left(\frac{\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}}}{\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}}\right)^{*} = \left|\frac{1-\tilde{\beta}}{1+\tilde{\beta}}\right|^{2} = \left(\frac{1-\tilde{\beta}}{1+\tilde{\beta}}\right) \left(\frac{1-\tilde{\beta}}{1+\tilde{\beta}}\right)^{*}$$
  
Where 
$$\tilde{\beta} = \left(\frac{\mu_{1}v_{1}}{\mu_{2}\omega}\right) \tilde{k}_{2} = \left(\frac{\mu_{1}v_{1}}{\mu_{2}\omega}\right) \sqrt{\frac{\omega\mu_{2}\sigma_{c}}{2}} (1+i) = \mu_{1}v_{1}\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_{c}}{2\mu_{2}\omega}} (1+i)$$

Define

$$\gamma \equiv \mu_1 v_1 \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_c}{2\mu_2 \omega}} \quad \underline{\text{Then}}: \quad \tilde{\beta} = \gamma (1+i)$$

Thus, the reflection coefficient R for monochromatic plane EM waves at normal incidence on a good conductor is:

$$R = \left|\frac{\tilde{E}_{o_{ref}}}{\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}}\right|^{2} = \left|\frac{1-\tilde{\beta}}{1+\tilde{\beta}}\right|^{2} = \left(\frac{1-\tilde{\beta}}{1+\tilde{\beta}}\right) \left(\frac{1-\tilde{\beta}}{1+\tilde{\beta}}\right)^{*} = \left(\frac{1-\gamma-i\gamma}{1+\gamma+i\gamma}\right) \left(\frac{1-\gamma+i\gamma}{1+\gamma-i\gamma}\right) = \left[\frac{\left(1-\gamma\right)^{2}+\gamma^{2}}{\left(1+\gamma\right)^{2}+\gamma^{2}}\right]$$

with

$$\gamma \equiv \mu_1 v_1 \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_c}{2\mu_2 \omega}}$$

Obviously, only a small fraction of the normally-incident monochromatic plane EM wave *is* transmitted into the good conductor-since R < 1 and T = 1 - R, *i.e.*:

$$T = 1 - R = 1 - \left[\frac{(1 - \gamma)^2 + \gamma^2}{(1 + \gamma)^2 + \gamma^2}\right] \quad (\ll 1)$$

Note that the transmitted wave is exponentially attenuated in the z-direction; the E and *B* fields in the good conductor fall to 1/e of their initial {z = 0} values (at/on the interface) after the monochromatic plane *EM* wave propagates a distance of one skin depth in z into the conductor:

$$\delta_{sc}(\omega) \equiv \frac{1}{\kappa_2(\omega)} \simeq \sqrt{\frac{2}{\omega\mu_2\sigma_c}}$$

Note also that the energy associated with the transmitted monochromatic plane *EM* wave is ultimately dissipated in the conducting medium as heat.

In {bulk} metals-the transmitted wave is {rapidly} absorbed/attenuated in the metal- we can only study the reflection coefficient *R*.

A full description of the physics of reflection from the surface of a metal conductor as a function of angle of incidencerequires the use of a complex dispersion relation 1/25/2012

The electromagnetic state of matter at a given observation point *r* at a given time t is described by four macroscopic quantities:

1.) The volume density of free charge:

$$\rho_{free}(\vec{r},t)$$

2.) The volume density of electric dipoles:





 $\vec{\mathrm{M}}(\vec{r},t)$ 

 $\Leftarrow$  electric polarization



4.) The free electric current /unit area:

$$\vec{J}_{free}(\vec{r},t)$$

⇐ {free} current density

These four quantities are related to the macroscopic *E* and *B* fields by the four Maxwell equations for matter

1) Gauss' Law:  

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho_{Tot}}{\varepsilon_o} = \frac{1}{\varepsilon_o} \left( \rho_{free} + \rho_{bound} \right), \text{ where: } \rho_{bound} = -\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{P}$$
Auxiliary relation:  

$$\vec{D} = \varepsilon_o \vec{E} + \vec{P} \quad \& \text{ constitutive relation: } \vec{D} = \varepsilon \vec{E}$$
Electric polarization  

$$\vec{P} = (\varepsilon - \varepsilon_o) \vec{E} = \varepsilon_0 \chi_e \vec{E}, \text{ electric susceptibility } \qquad \chi_e = \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon_o} - 1\right)$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D} = \varepsilon_o \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{P} = \rho_{free}$$
2) No magnetic charges/monopoles:  

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$$
Auxiliary relation:  

$$\vec{H} = \frac{1}{\mu_o} \vec{B} - \vec{M} \Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{H} = -\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{M} \quad \& \text{ constitutive relation: } \vec{B} = \mu \vec{H}$$

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3) Faraday's Law:  

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = -\mu_0 \frac{\partial \vec{H}}{\partial t} - \mu_0 \frac{\partial \vec{M}}{\partial t}$$
Magnetization:  

$$\vec{M} - \left(\frac{\mu}{\mu_0 - 1}\right) \vec{H} = \chi_m \vec{H}, \text{ magnetic susceptibility } \left[\chi_m = \left(\frac{\mu}{\mu_0} - 1\right)\right]$$
4) Ampere's Law:  

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J}_{ToT} + \mu_0 \vec{J}_D \text{ with } \vec{J}_D = \varepsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$
Total current density:  

$$\vec{J}_{ToT} = \vec{J}_{free} + \vec{J}_{bound} + \vec{J}_{bound} \text{ } \vec{J}_{bound} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{M} \text{ } \vec{J}_{bound} = \frac{\partial \vec{P}}{\partial t}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J}_{free} + \mu_0 \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{M} + \mu_0 \frac{\partial \vec{P}}{\partial t} + \mu_0 \varepsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H} = \mu_0 \vec{J}_{free} + \mu_0 \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t}$$
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Then Maxwell's equations in matter, for  $\rho_{free} = 0$  and  $\overline{M} = 0$ 

1) Gauss' Law: 
$$\overline{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D} = 0$$
 or:  $\overline{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = -\frac{1}{\varepsilon_o} \overline{\nabla} \cdot \vec{P} = \rho_{free} / \varepsilon_o$   
2) No magnetic charges:  $\overline{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$   
3) Faraday's Law:  $\overline{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$   
4) Ampere's Law:  $\overline{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu_o \varepsilon_o \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} + \mu_o \frac{\partial \vec{P}}{\partial t} + \mu_o \vec{J}_{free}$ 

We also have Ohm's Law

$$\vec{J}_{free} = \sigma_c \vec{E}$$

and the Continuity eqn.

$$\vec{\nabla} \bullet \vec{J}_{\text{free}} = 0$$

Then applying the curl operator to Faraday's Law: We thus obtain the inhomogeneous wave equation:

$$\nabla^{2}\vec{E} - \frac{1}{c^{2}}\frac{\partial^{2}\vec{E}}{\partial t^{2}} = \frac{1}{\underbrace{\varepsilon_{o}}}\nabla\rho_{bound} + \mu_{o}\frac{\partial^{2}\vec{P}}{\partial t^{2}} + \mu_{o}\frac{\partial\vec{J}_{free}}{\partial t}$$
source terms

 $\{and a similar one for B \}$ 

For non-oronducting/poorly-conducting media, i.e. insulators/ dielectrics- the first two terms on the RHS are important – they explain many optical effects such as dispersion (wavelength/frequency-dependence of the index of refraction), absorption, double – refraction/bi-refringence, optical activity, ....

Note that the  $\vec{\nabla} \rho_{bound} = -\vec{\nabla} (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{P})$  term is often zero- P uniform

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{P} = \frac{\partial P_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial P_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial P_z}{\partial z}$$
 and  $\vec{\nabla} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}\hat{x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}\hat{y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\hat{z}$ 

e.g. for  $\vec{P} \propto \vec{E}$  (i.e.  $\vec{P}$  proportional to  $\vec{E}$ ) where:  $\vec{E}(z,t) = E_o \cos(kz - \omega t + \delta)\hat{x}$ 

For good conductors (e.g. metals), the conduction term

$$\mu_o \frac{\partial \vec{J}_{free}}{\partial t} = \mu_o \sigma_C \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

is the most important, because it explains the opacity of metals (e.g. in the visible light region) and also explains the high reflectance of metals.