

Plane EM waves in a vacuum

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = 0$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

Assume solutions of form $\vec{E} = \vec{E}_0 e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)}$
 $\vec{B} = \vec{B}_0 e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)}$ } where $\omega = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}} k = ck$

Maxwell's eqn's become

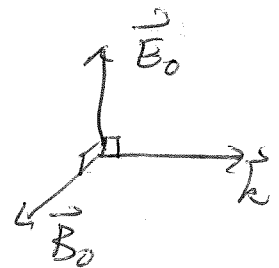
$$1) i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{E}_0 = 0 \quad 2) i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{B}_0 = 0$$

$$3) i\vec{k} \times \vec{E}_0 = +i\omega \vec{B}_0 \quad 4) i\vec{k} \times \vec{B}_0 = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 (-i\omega) \vec{E}_0$$

(1) and (3) \Rightarrow EM waves are transverse polarized.
 \vec{E}_0 and \vec{B}_0 both \perp to \vec{k} .

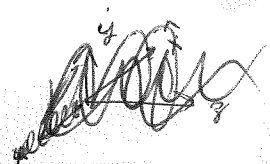
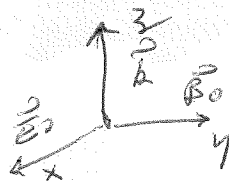
$$2) \Rightarrow \vec{B}_0 = \frac{\vec{k} \times \vec{E}_0}{\omega} = \frac{1}{c} \hat{k} \times \vec{E}_0 \Rightarrow \vec{B}_0 \perp \vec{E}_0$$

$$|\vec{B}_0| = \frac{1}{c} |\vec{E}_0|$$



\uparrow very important factor $\frac{1}{c}$!

Since Lorentz force is $\vec{F} = q(\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B})$, the force on a charged particle due to an electromagnetic wave is predominantly from the electric field \vec{E} . The force due to the magnetic field $\sim v B_0 = (\frac{v}{c}) E_0$, is reduced by a factor $(\frac{v}{c}) \ll 1$, unless charge is moving relativistically fast.



energy + momentum in EM wave:

$$\vec{E}(r,t) = E_0 \cos(kz - \omega t) \hat{x}$$

$$\vec{B}(r,t) = \frac{1}{c} E_0 \cos(kz - \omega t) \hat{y}$$

energy density

$$u_{EB} = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} E^2 + \frac{1}{2\mu_0} B^2 = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} E_0^2 \cos^2(kz - \omega t) + \frac{1}{2\mu_0 c^2} E_0^2 \cos^2(kz - \omega t)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} E_0^2 \cos^2(kz - \omega t) \left[\epsilon_0 + \frac{1}{\mu_0 c^2} \right] \quad \text{use } c^2 = \frac{1}{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}$$

$$\underbrace{\epsilon_0 + \frac{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}{\mu_0}}_{2\epsilon_0}$$

$$u_{EB} = \epsilon_0 E_0^2 \cos^2(kz - \omega t)$$

energy current

Note: when taking the product of 2 factors of \vec{E} or \vec{B} , important to take Re parts first, if using complex notation

$$\vec{S} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} (\vec{E} \times \vec{B})$$

$$= \frac{1}{\mu_0 c} E_0^2 \cos^2(kz - \omega t) (\hat{x} \times \hat{y}) = c \epsilon_0 E_0^2 \cos^2(kz - \omega t) \hat{z}$$

$$\text{using } \frac{1}{\mu_0 c} = \frac{c}{\mu_0 c^2} = \frac{c \mu_0 \epsilon_0}{\mu_0} = c \epsilon_0$$

$$\vec{S} = c u_{EB} \hat{z}$$

momentum density $\vec{p}_{EB} = \frac{1}{c^2} \vec{S} = \frac{u_{EB}}{c} \hat{z}$

$$\Rightarrow u_{EB} = c |\vec{p}_{EB}| \quad \text{- energy-momentum relation of photons}$$

Since for visible light, $\lambda \sim 5 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m} \sim 5000 \text{ \AA}$

$$T = \frac{\lambda}{c} = \frac{5 \times 10^{-7}}{3 \times 10^8} \text{ sec} = 1.6 \times 10^{-15} \text{ sec}$$

for most classical measurements, on macroscopic scale,

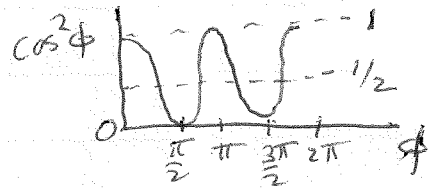
the measurement will average over many oscillations of the wave. Therefore one is interested in averages

$$\langle U_{EB} \rangle = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T dt U_{EB} \quad \text{average over one period of oscillation}$$

$$= \frac{\lambda}{c} \int_0^T dt \epsilon_0 E_0^2 \cos^2(kz - \omega t) \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} \text{ is period of oscillation} \\ = \frac{\lambda}{c} \end{array} \right]$$

$$\langle U_{EB} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E_0^2 \quad \text{average of } \cos^2(\phi) \text{ over one period is } \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\langle \vec{S} \rangle = c \langle U_{EB} \rangle \hat{z}$$



$$\langle \vec{p}_{EB} \rangle = \frac{1}{c} \langle U_{EB} \rangle \hat{z}$$

intensity = average power per area transported by wave

$$I = \langle \vec{S} \rangle \cdot \hat{n}$$

\hat{n} normal to surface through which energy transported

intensity $I = |\langle \vec{S} \rangle|$ magnitude of energy current $\sim (\text{amplitude of field})^2$

$\langle \vec{S} \rangle \cdot \hat{n} =$ average power per area transported through surface with normal \hat{n}



Maxwell's Equ in Matter

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \rho_{\text{tot}}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J}_{\text{tot}} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

want to write $\rho_{\text{tot}} = \rho_{\text{free}} + \rho_b$

$$\vec{J}_{\text{tot}} = \vec{J}_{\text{free}} + \vec{J}_b$$

in statics: $\rho_b = -\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{P}$

$$\vec{J}_b = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{M}$$

in dynamics: conservation of bound charge $\Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{J}_b = -\frac{\partial \rho_b}{\partial t}$

$$\underbrace{\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{M})}_0 = + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \underbrace{(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{P})}_{\mu_0}$$

something must be missing! The bound ~~charge~~ ^{current} arising from \vec{M} must not be all the bound current. There must be bound current arising from a time varying \vec{P} .

bound current from polarization, \vec{J}_p must satisfy

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{J}_p = -\frac{\partial \rho_b}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{P} = \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \vec{P}}{\partial t} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{J}_p = \frac{\partial \vec{P}}{\partial t}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{J}_b = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{M} + \frac{\partial \vec{P}}{\partial t}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} (\rho_f - \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{P})$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \left(\vec{J}_f + \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{M} + \frac{\partial \vec{P}}{\partial t} \right) + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$$

define $\vec{D} = \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P}$

$$\vec{H} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \vec{B} - \vec{M}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D} = \rho_f$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H} = \vec{J}_f + \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t}$$

inhomogeneous eqs

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$$

homogeneous eqs

for linear materials, $\left. \begin{array}{l} \vec{D} = \epsilon \vec{E} \\ \vec{H} = \frac{1}{\mu} \vec{B} \end{array} \right\}$ closes above equations.

If we had $\vec{D}(\vec{r}, t) = \epsilon E(\vec{r}, t)$
 $\vec{H}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{\mu} B(\vec{r}, t)$

then Maxwell's eqns, in absence of free charge + free current would be

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} &= 0 & \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} &= \mu \epsilon \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} \\ \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} &= 0 & \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} &= -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \end{aligned}$$

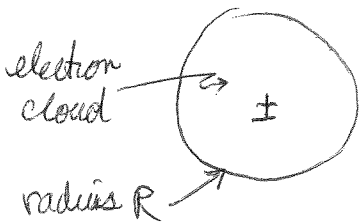
everything would be the same except $\epsilon_0 \mu_0 \rightarrow \epsilon \mu > \epsilon_0 \mu_0$
 the speed of EM waves in the material would be

$$v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon \mu}} < c \quad c/v \equiv n \text{ index of refraction}$$

would have $|\vec{B}| = \frac{1}{v} |\vec{E}|$

In general however, things are much more complicated for time varying response

Consider model for polarization of a neutral atom, that we saw last semester



If displace center of electron cloud from ion by distance \vec{r} , then there is a restoring force

$$\vec{F}_{\text{rest}} = \frac{-e^2 \vec{r}}{4\pi \epsilon_0 R^3} \equiv -m \omega_0^2 \vec{r}$$

(electric field from electron cloud increases linearly with distance from origin)

↑
electron mass

ω_0 has units of frequency.