

PC2232 – Tutorial 1 Solutions

1. (a) Given: $\vec{r} = x\hat{x} + y\hat{y} + z\hat{z}$
 Question: Show that $\vec{\nabla}(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}) = \vec{k}$

Approach:

- Write out $\vec{\nabla}$ and work through the terms
- Note that k_x , k_y and k_z are constants
- Understand the concept of partial differential, i.e. understand the following
 - i. $\frac{\partial(k_y y)}{\partial x} = 0$
 - ii. $\frac{\partial(k_x x)}{\partial x} = k_x$
- Learning point: Familiarize yourself with vector algebra

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{\nabla}(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}) &= \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{z} \right) ([k_x \hat{x} + k_y \hat{y} + k_z \hat{z}] \cdot [x\hat{x} + y\hat{y} + z\hat{z}]) \\
 &= \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{z} \right) (k_x x + k_y y + k_z z) \\
 &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (k_x x + k_y y + k_z z) \hat{x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (k_x x + k_y y + k_z z) \hat{y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (k_x x + k_y y + k_z z) \hat{z} \\
 &= k_x \hat{x} + k_y \hat{y} + k_z \hat{z} \\
 &= \vec{k}
 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Given: \vec{E}_0 is constant
 Question: Show that $\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{E}_0 e^{j\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}}) = j\vec{k} \cdot \vec{E}_0 e^{j\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}}$

Approach:

- The product rule for ∇ states: $\vec{\nabla} \cdot (a\vec{A}) = a\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} + \vec{A} \cdot \vec{\nabla} a$
- Know how to differentiate exponential term¹:

$$\frac{d e^{f(x)}}{dx} = \frac{df(x)}{dx} e^{f(x)}$$
- Recall that \vec{E}_0 is a constant²
- Learning point: Prove the equation in lecture notes as it will be useful later³

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{E}_0 e^{j\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}}) &= e^{j\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}_0 + \vec{E}_0 \cdot \vec{\nabla} e^{j\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}} \\
 &= \vec{E}_0 \cdot \vec{\nabla} e^{j\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}} \\
 &= \vec{E}_0 \cdot \vec{\nabla} (j\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}) e^{j\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}}
 \end{aligned}$$

From part (a): $\vec{\nabla}(j\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}) = j\vec{k}$
 Therefore:

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{E}_0 e^{j\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}}) = j\vec{k} \cdot \vec{E}_0 e^{j\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}}$$

2. Given: (\vec{E}_1, \vec{H}_1) and (\vec{E}_2, \vec{H}_2) are solutions to Maxwell equations

- (a) Show that $(a_1 \vec{E}_1 + a_2 \vec{E}_2, a_1 \vec{H}_1 + a_2 \vec{H}_2)$

Approach:

- Know the Maxwell equations

¹If this confuses you, try differentiating e^{4x} . Notice that the equation I wrote is the general form of what you're doing there

²Knowing this makes my product rule above seem quite pointless.

Please understand that I show the product rule above in order to ensure that your \cdot is in the right position.

Without the product rule, many would write the second term as $\vec{A} \vec{\nabla} \cdot a$ which does not make sense. The product rule is a known rule in vector calculus/algebra, so I believe we can use it without proof. Just wiki it to find out more info on it

³We use the cross version to obtain \vec{H} from \vec{E} as will be brought up in tutorial 2

- Confirm that the dot and cross product of $\vec{\nabla}$ is distributive⁴
- Apply the distributive principle to the 4 Maxwell equations
- Rearrange the terms such that it is in the same form as the original Maxwell equations
- Learning point:
Familiarize yourself with vector algebra
Understand and convince yourself about the linearity of Maxwell equations

Solution:

- Maxwell equations

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} &= \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} & \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{H} &= 0 \\ \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} &= -\mu_0 \frac{\partial \vec{H}}{\partial t} & \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H} &= \vec{J} + \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}\end{aligned}$$

- Confirming that the dot and cross product of $\vec{\nabla}$ is distributive
 - $\vec{\nabla} \cdot$ is distributive

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{A} + \vec{B}) &= \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{z} \right) \cdot ([A_x + B_x] \hat{x} + [A_y + B_y] \hat{y} + [A_z + B_z] \hat{z}) \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (A_x + B_x) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (A_y + B_y) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (A_z + B_z) \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} A_x + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} A_y + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} A_z + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} B_x + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} B_y + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} B_z \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{x} \cdot A_x \hat{x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{y} \cdot A_y \hat{y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{z} \cdot A_z \hat{z} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{x} \cdot B_x \hat{x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{y} \cdot B_y \hat{y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{z} \cdot B_z \hat{z} \\ &= (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A}) + (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B})\end{aligned}$$

- $\vec{\nabla} \times$ is distributive

First, know the cross rule for unit vectors

$$\begin{array}{lll}\hat{x} \times \hat{x} = 0 & \hat{x} \times \hat{y} = \hat{z} & \hat{x} \times \hat{z} = -\hat{y} \\ \hat{y} \times \hat{x} = -\hat{z} & \hat{y} \times \hat{y} = 0 & \hat{y} \times \hat{z} = \hat{x} \\ \hat{z} \times \hat{x} = \hat{y} & \hat{z} \times \hat{y} = -\hat{x} & \hat{z} \times \hat{z} = 0\end{array}$$

Second, know how to write out cross products in component form.

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{C} &= \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{z} \right) \times (C_x \hat{x} + C_y \hat{y} + C_z \hat{z}) \\ &= \left[\frac{\partial C_y}{\partial x} \hat{z} - \frac{\partial C_z}{\partial x} \hat{y} \right] + \left[-\frac{\partial C_x}{\partial y} \hat{z} + \frac{\partial C_z}{\partial y} \hat{x} \right] + \left[\frac{\partial C_x}{\partial z} \hat{y} - \frac{\partial C_y}{\partial z} \hat{x} \right] \\ &= \left[\frac{\partial C_z}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial C_y}{\partial z} \right] \hat{x} + \left[\frac{\partial C_x}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial C_z}{\partial x} \right] \hat{y} + \left[\frac{\partial C_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial C_x}{\partial y} \right] \hat{z}\end{aligned}$$

Finally, applying the above to the following:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{A} + \vec{B}) &= \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{z} \right) \times ([A_x + B_x] \hat{x} + [A_y + B_y] \hat{y} + [A_z + B_z] \hat{z}) \\ &= \left[\frac{\partial(A_z + B_z)}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial(A_y + B_y)}{\partial z} \right] \hat{x} + \left[\frac{\partial(A_x + B_x)}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial(A_z + B_z)}{\partial x} \right] \hat{y} + \left[\frac{\partial(A_y + B_y)}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial(A_x + B_x)}{\partial y} \right] \hat{z} \\ &= \left[\frac{\partial A_z}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial z} \right] \hat{x} + \left[\frac{\partial A_x}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial x} \right] \hat{y} + \left[\frac{\partial A_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial y} \right] \hat{z} + \\ &\quad \left[\frac{\partial B_z}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial B_y}{\partial z} \right] \hat{x} + \left[\frac{\partial B_x}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial B_z}{\partial x} \right] \hat{y} + \left[\frac{\partial B_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial B_x}{\partial y} \right] \hat{z} \\ &= (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) + (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B})\end{aligned}$$

- Scalar constant can be taken out of $\vec{\nabla} \cdot$ and $\vec{\nabla} \times$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{\nabla} \cdot (a\vec{B}) &= \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{z} \right) \cdot (aB_x \hat{x} + aB_y \hat{y} + aB_z \hat{z}) \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (aB_x) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (aB_y) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (aB_z)\end{aligned}$$

⁴In class I called this the linearity of $\vec{\nabla} \cdot$ and $\vec{\nabla} \times$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= a \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(B_x) + a \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(B_y) + a \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(B_z) \\
&= a \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(B_x) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(B_y) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(B_z) \right] \\
&= a \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{x} \cdot (B_x \hat{x}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{y} \cdot (B_y \hat{y}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{z} \cdot (B_z \hat{z}) \right] \\
&= a \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B}
\end{aligned}$$

Please do the proof for $\vec{\nabla} \times$ on your own

- Applying the distributive principle Maxwell equations⁵

i. Proof for: $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\vec{\nabla} \cdot (a_1 \vec{E}_1 + a_2 \vec{E}_2) &= \vec{\nabla} \cdot (a_1 \vec{E}_1) + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (a_2 \vec{E}_2) \\
&= a_1 (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}_1) + a_2 (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}_2) \\
&= a_1 \frac{\rho_1}{\epsilon_0} + a_2 \frac{\rho_2}{\epsilon_0} \\
&= \frac{a_1 \rho_1 + a_2 \rho_2}{\epsilon_0} \\
&= \frac{\rho'}{\epsilon_0}
\end{aligned}$$

Where⁶: $\rho' = a_1 \rho_1 + a_2 \rho_2$

ii. Proof for: $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H} = \vec{J} + \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\vec{\nabla} \times (a_1 \vec{H}_1 + a_2 \vec{H}_2) &= \vec{\nabla} \times (a_1 \vec{H}_1) + \vec{\nabla} \times (a_2 \vec{H}_2) \\
&= a_1 (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H}_1) + a_2 (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H}_2) \\
&= a_1 \left(\vec{J}_1 + \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}_1}{\partial t} \right) + a_2 \left(\vec{J}_2 + \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}_2}{\partial t} \right) \\
&= (a_1 \vec{J}_1 + a_2 \vec{J}_2) + a_1 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}_1}{\partial t} + a_2 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}_2}{\partial t} \\
&= (a_1 \vec{J}_1 + a_2 \vec{J}_2) + \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial a_1 \vec{E}_1}{\partial t} + \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial a_2 \vec{E}_2}{\partial t} \\
&= (a_1 \vec{J}_1 + a_2 \vec{J}_2) + \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial (a_1 \vec{E}_1 + a_2 \vec{E}_2)}{\partial t} \\
&= \vec{J}' + \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}'}{\partial t}
\end{aligned}$$

Note that the last few steps are necessary⁷. If you are confused, try working backwards

i.e. prove: $\epsilon_0 \frac{\partial (a_1 \vec{E}_1 + a_2 \vec{E}_2)}{\partial t} \rightarrow a_1 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}_1}{\partial t} + a_2 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}_2}{\partial t}$

- (b) Generalize the results by showing that $(\sum_{i=1}^N a_i \vec{E}_i, \sum_{i=1}^N a_i \vec{H}_i)$ is also a solution to Maxwell's equations

Approach:

- Note that this is exactly the same as the above. Just pull both the a_i and \sum out of the $\vec{\nabla} \cdot$ and $\vec{\nabla} \times$ since we've proven the linearity of $\vec{\nabla} \cdot$ and $\vec{\nabla} \times$
- I'll show it for one of the equations
- Learning point: Fully comprehend⁸ the linearity of $\vec{\nabla} \cdot$ and $\vec{\nabla} \times$

Solution:

⁵I showed for 2 of them. Do the other two on your own

⁶I find it a little difficult to bring across the idea this is not just mathematical manipulation. It makes sense that if I have a field that has the magnitude $a_1 \vec{E}_1 + a_2 \vec{E}_2$, we need a charge density of $a_1 \rho_1 + a_2 \rho_2$ to produce it. Just the way if I want to double the \vec{E} that I have now, I have to double the charge density. So it makes physical sense.

⁷The \vec{H} that goes into the left hand side of Maxwell's equation must be paired with the correct \vec{E} that goes into the right hand side of Maxwell's equation. Remember, these are not just math equations, there is a physical meaning behind this equation – the \vec{H} can only be created by the correct \vec{E} .

⁸Understand that pulling out the the \sum is merely equivalent to the statement that we can do the addition *after* doing the dot product

$$\begin{aligned}
\vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(\sum_{i=1}^N a_i \vec{E}_i \right) &= \sum_{i=1}^N a_i (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}_i) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^N a_i \frac{\rho_i}{\epsilon_0} \\
&= \frac{\rho'}{\epsilon_0}
\end{aligned}$$

3. Verify that $f(x - vt)$ is a solution to the wave equation

Approach:

- Know the wave equation
- Know the chain rule
- Learning point: How to deal with generalized functions

Solution:

- Wave equation: $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2}$
- Working out the LHS and RHS with the chain rule

Let: $x - vt = u$

Therefore:

$$f(x - vt) = f(u) \qquad \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 1 \qquad \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -v$$

Looking at the LHS and RHS of the equation

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial^2 f(u)}{\partial x^2} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial f(u)}{\partial x} \right) & \frac{\partial^2 f(u)}{\partial t^2} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{\partial f(u)}{\partial t} \right) \\
&= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial f(u)}{\partial u} \right) & &= \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \frac{\partial f(u)}{\partial u} \right) \\
&= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial f(u)}{\partial u} \right) & &= \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(-v \frac{\partial f(u)}{\partial u} \right) \\
&= \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial^2 f(u)}{\partial u^2} & &= -v \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{\partial f(u)}{\partial u} \right) \right] \\
&= \frac{\partial^2 f(u)}{\partial u^2} & &= -v \left[\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \left(\frac{\partial f(u)}{\partial u} \right) \right] \\
& & &= v^2 \frac{\partial^2 f(u)}{\partial u^2}
\end{aligned}$$

- Putting them together:
If v is c , we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 f(x - vt)}{\partial t^2} &= \frac{1}{c^2} \left(v^2 \frac{\partial^2 f(u)}{\partial u^2} \right) \\
&= \frac{\partial^2 f(u)}{\partial u^2} & \because c = v \\
&= \frac{\partial^2 f(u)}{\partial x^2} & \text{As proven above} \\
&= \frac{\partial^2 f(x - vt)}{\partial x^2} & \text{Proven!}
\end{aligned}$$

4. Verify that $\langle \cos^2(kx - \omega t) \rangle = \frac{1}{2}$

Approach:

- Know the formula for time average

- Know that to integrate \cos^2 function we must use the following: $\cos^2 \theta = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cos(2\theta)$
- Please note that I used a simpler explanation in class because I did not have enough time to show the integration⁹
- Learning point: Understand why S_{av} and u_{av} have a factor of $\frac{1}{2}$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle \cos^2(kx - \omega t) \rangle &= \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \cos^2(kx - \omega t) dt \\
 &= \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cos(2[kx - \omega t]) \right) dt \\
 &= \frac{1}{T} \left[\left(\frac{1}{2}t - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\sin(2[kx - \omega t])}{2\omega} \right) \right]_0^T \\
 &= \frac{1}{T} \left(\frac{1}{2}T \right) \quad \text{this step is explained below} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Note that:

$$[\sin(2kx - 2\omega t)]_0^T = \left[\sin \left(2kx - 2\frac{2\pi}{T}t \right) \right]_0^T = \sin 2kx - \sin(2kx - 4\pi) = 0$$

Because $\sin(\theta \pm n\pi) = \sin \theta$

5. Given: $\vec{S} = 10kx \hat{z} \text{ Wm}^{-2}$
 Question: $P = ?$

Approach:

- Know the equation $P = \int \vec{S} \cdot d\vec{A}$
- Know that the \vec{A} direction points perpendicular to the surface
- Learning point: Familiarize yourself with surface integration

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 P &= \int \vec{S} \cdot d\vec{A} \\
 &= \int_0^b \int_0^a 10kx \hat{z} \cdot dx dy \hat{z} \\
 &= \int_0^b 5ka^2 dy \\
 &= 5ka^2b \text{ W}
 \end{aligned}$$

Answer:

$$P = 5ka^2b \text{ W}$$

6. Given:

$$P = 316 \times 10^3 \text{ W}$$

$$r = 5 \times 10^3 \text{ m}$$

- (a) Question: $P_{\text{rad}} = ?$

Approach:

- i. Understand (derive¹⁰ on your own: pg 19-23 of lecture 1) the equation: $P_{\text{rad}} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E_0^2 = \frac{S_{\text{av}}}{c}$

⁹In class I did the integral over 1 period, and therefore the $\cos(2[kx - \omega t])$ term immediately drops out. Here I did it over a general value of T

¹⁰The equation between P_{rad} and S_{av} is not in the lecture notes, but you should be able to derive it since you know how S is related to E

- ii. Know that average Poynting Vector (S_{av}) is intensity (I)
- iii. Know how intensity relates to power (P)
- iv. Potential errors:
 - Forget that it's a hemisphere: $A = 2\pi r^2$
 - Forget that totally reflecting wave has a factor of 2

Solution:

$$P_{\text{rad}} = \frac{2S_{\text{av}}}{c} = \frac{2I}{c} = \frac{2P}{Ac}$$

$$\therefore P_{\text{rad}} = \frac{2P}{2\pi r^2 c}$$

Answer:

$$P_{\text{rad}} = 1.34 \times 10^{-11} \text{ Pa}$$

- (b) Question: $E_0 = ?$
 $B_0 = ?$

Approach:

- i. Understand how to obtain the equation $S = uc$ from definition: $\frac{\text{Rate of flow of energy}}{\text{Area}}$
- ii. Know the equation for u (energy density)
- iii. Know that that average Poynting Vector (S_{av}) is intensity (I) and how it relates to power (P)
- iv. Know the relationship between E_0 and H_0 as well as between H_0 and B_0
- v. Potential error:
 - Do not realize that \vec{S} is not constant (\vec{E} is not a constant)
 - Therefore, forget S_{av} has a factor of half (E_0 is not a constant)

Solution:

$$S = \frac{1}{A} \frac{dU}{dt} \quad \text{where } dU = u A c dt$$

$$= uc \quad \text{where } u = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 \vec{E} \cdot \vec{E} + \frac{1}{2} \mu_0 \vec{H} \cdot \vec{H} = \epsilon_0 \vec{E} \cdot \vec{E}$$

$$= \epsilon_0 c \vec{E} \cdot \vec{E}$$

Therefore:

$$S_{\text{av}} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 c E_0^2$$

$$\frac{P}{A} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 c E_0^2$$

$$E_0 = \sqrt{\frac{2P}{A \epsilon_0 c}}$$

And:

$$H_0 = \frac{E_0}{Z_0} \quad B_0 = \mu_0 H_0$$

Answer:

$$E_0 = 1.23 \text{ Vm}^{-1} \quad B_0 = 4.10 \times 10^{-9} \text{ T}$$

- (c) Question: $u_{\text{av}} = ?$

Approach:

- i. Know equation for u
- ii. Potential error:
 - Do not realize that u is not constant
 - Therefore, forget that u_{av} has a factor of half

Solution:

$$u_{\text{av}} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E_0^2$$

Answer:

$$u_{\text{av}} = 6.69 \times 10^{-12} \text{ Jm}^{-3}$$

(d) What percentage of the energy is due to electric field and magnetic field?

Approach:

- i. Know it's always half:half
- ii. If you don't know i., know the equation for u_{av}
- iii. Divide the term due to E by total u_{av}
- iv. Repeat iii. for H

Solution:

$$u_{av} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E_0^2 + \frac{1}{2} \mu_0 H_0^2 \right)$$
$$\%_E = \frac{\frac{1}{4} \epsilon_0 E_0^2}{u_{av}} = \frac{\frac{1}{4} \epsilon_0 E_0^2}{6.69 \times 10^{-12}}$$

Answer:

It's always 50:50

7. Given:

$$\vec{E}(t) = (-6\hat{x} + 3\sqrt{5}\hat{y})(10^4)e^{\sqrt{5}x + 2y(\frac{\pi}{3})(10^7) - 9.42 \times 10^{15}t}$$

Question:

(a) Direction of E field oscillation

Approach:

Unit vector of $\vec{E}(t)$

Solution:

$$\hat{E} = \frac{\vec{E}}{|\vec{E}|} = \frac{(-6\hat{x} + 3\sqrt{5}\hat{y})(10^4)}{\sqrt{6^2 + 9(5)}(10^4)}$$

Answer:

$$\hat{E} = -\frac{2}{3}\hat{x} + \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3}\hat{y}$$

(b) Scalar value of amplitude

Approach:

Already calculated in part (a)

Solution:

$$E_0 = 9 \times 10^4 \text{Vm}^{-1}$$

(c) Direction of propagation

Approach:

Direction of \vec{k}

Able to identify $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}$ in the exponential term, extract \vec{k} and find it's unit vector

Solution:

$$\hat{k} = \frac{\vec{k}}{|\vec{k}|} = \frac{(\sqrt{5}\hat{x} + 2\hat{y}) \left(\frac{\pi}{3} \times 10^7 \right)}{\sqrt{5+4} \left(\frac{\pi}{3} \times 10^7 \right)}$$

Answer:

$$\hat{k} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3}\hat{x} + \frac{2}{3}\hat{y}$$

(d) Propagation number and wavelength

Approach:

Propagation number is $|k|$

Answer:

$$|k| = \pi \times 10^7$$

$$\lambda = 2 \times 10^{-7} \text{m}$$

(e) Frequency and angular frequency

Answer:

$$\omega = 9.42 \times 10^{15}$$

$$f = 1.5 \times 10^{15} \text{Hz}$$

(f) Velocity

Approach:

$$v = f\lambda$$

Answer:

$$v \approx 3 \times 10^8 \text{ms}^{-1}$$