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## 7. PLANE WAVE PROPAGATION

# Chapter 7 Overview

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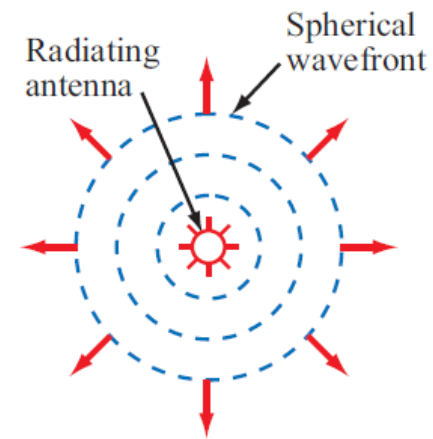
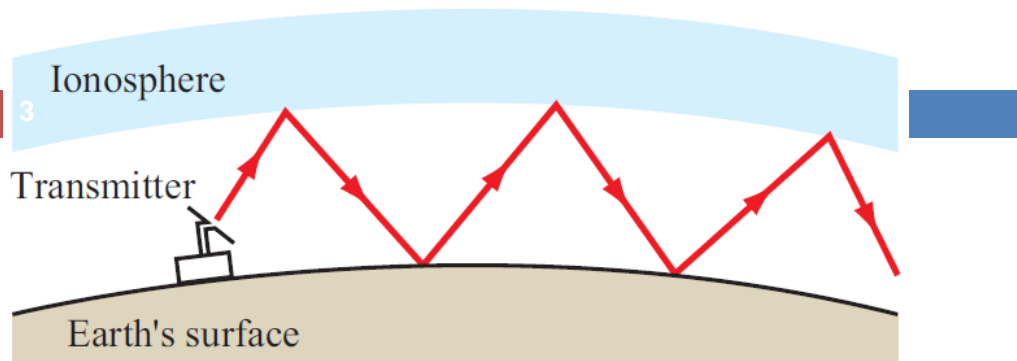
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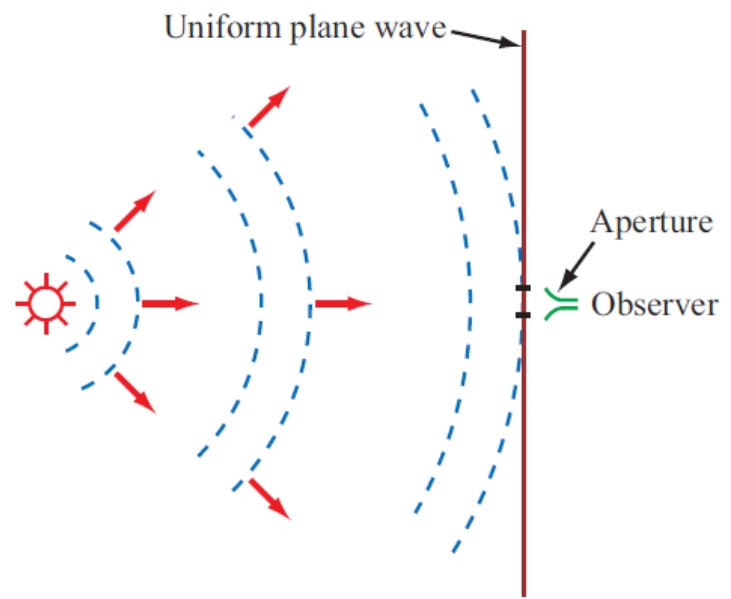
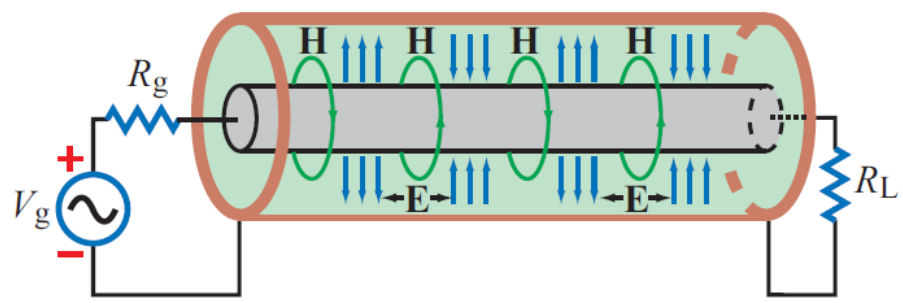
## Objectives

Upon learning the material presented in this chapter, you should be able to:

1. Describe mathematically the electric and magnetic fields of TEM waves.
2. Describe the polarization properties of an EM wave.
3. Relate the propagation parameters of a wave to the constitutive parameters of the medium.
4. Characterize the flow of current in conductors and use it to calculate the resistance of a coaxial cable.
5. Calculate the rate of power carried by an EM wave, in both lossless and lossy media.



(a) Spherical wave



(b) Plane-wave approximation


Guided EM Waves

Unbounded EM Waves

# Time-Harmonic Fields

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For sinusoidal time variations:  $\mathbf{E}(x, y, z; t) = \Re \left[ \tilde{\mathbf{E}}(x, y, z) e^{j\omega t} \right]$

  
Time dependence

For a linear, isotropic, and homogeneous medium with  $\epsilon$  and  $\mu$ , the Maxwell's equations in phasor form are

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{E}} &= \tilde{\rho}_v / \epsilon, \\ \nabla \times \tilde{\mathbf{E}} &= -j\omega\mu\tilde{\mathbf{H}}, \\ \nabla \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{H}} &= 0, \\ \nabla \times \tilde{\mathbf{H}} &= \tilde{\mathbf{J}} + j\omega\epsilon\tilde{\mathbf{E}}.\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \epsilon\mathbf{E} \text{ and } \mathbf{B} = \mu\mathbf{H},$$

# Complex Permittivity

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$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \times \tilde{\mathbf{H}} &= \tilde{\mathbf{J}} + j\omega\epsilon\tilde{\mathbf{E}} \\ &= (\sigma + j\omega\epsilon)\tilde{\mathbf{E}} = j\omega\left(\epsilon - j\frac{\sigma}{\omega}\right)\tilde{\mathbf{E}}.\end{aligned}$$

By defining the *complex permittivity*  $\epsilon_c$  as

$$\epsilon_c = \epsilon - j\frac{\sigma}{\omega}, \quad (7.4)$$

Eq. (7.3) can be rewritten as

$$\nabla \times \tilde{\mathbf{H}} = j\omega\epsilon_c\tilde{\mathbf{E}}.$$

$\epsilon'' > 0$  means the material is lossy

$$\epsilon_c = \epsilon - j\frac{\sigma}{\omega} = \epsilon' - j\epsilon''$$

$$\epsilon' = \epsilon, \quad (7.8a)$$

$$\epsilon'' = \frac{\sigma}{\omega}. \quad (7.8b)$$

For a lossless medium with  $\sigma = 0$ , it follows that  $\epsilon'' = 0$  and  $\epsilon_c = \epsilon' = \epsilon$ .

# Wave Equations

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Use source-free Maxwell's equations

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \tilde{\mathbf{E}}) = -j\omega\mu(\nabla \times \tilde{\mathbf{H}}). \quad (7.9)$$

Upon substituting Eq. (7.6d) into Eq. (7.9) we obtain

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \tilde{\mathbf{E}}) = -j\omega\mu(j\omega\epsilon_c\tilde{\mathbf{E}}) = \omega^2\mu\epsilon_c\tilde{\mathbf{E}}. \quad (7.10)$$

From Eq. (3.113), we know that the curl of the curl of  $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$  is

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \tilde{\mathbf{E}}) = \nabla(\nabla \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{E}}) - \nabla^2\tilde{\mathbf{E}}, \quad (7.11)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{E}} = 0$$

where  $\nabla^2\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$  is the Laplacian of  $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$ , which in Cartesian coordinates is given by

$$\nabla^2\tilde{\mathbf{E}} = \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right) \tilde{\mathbf{E}}. \quad (7.12)$$

In view of Eq. (7.6a), the use of Eq. (7.11) in Eq. (7.10) gives

$$\nabla^2\tilde{\mathbf{E}} + \omega^2\mu\epsilon_c\tilde{\mathbf{E}} = 0, \quad (7.13)$$

which is known as the *homogeneous wave equation for  $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$* . By defining the *propagation constant  $\gamma$*  as

$$\gamma^2 = -\omega^2\mu\epsilon_c, \quad (7.14)$$

**Helmholtz equation**

Eq. (7.13) can be written as

$$\nabla^2\tilde{\mathbf{E}} - \gamma^2\tilde{\mathbf{E}} = 0. \quad (7.15)$$

To derive Eq. (7.15), we took the curl of both sides of Eq. (7.6b) and then we used Eq. (7.6d) to eliminate  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}$  and obtain an equation in  $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$  only. If we reverse the process, that is, if we start by taking the curl of both sides of Eq. (7.6d) and then use Eq. (7.6b) to eliminate  $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$ , we obtain a wave equation for  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}$ :

$$\nabla^2\tilde{\mathbf{H}} - \gamma^2\tilde{\mathbf{H}} = 0. \quad (7.16)$$

Since the wave equations for  $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}$  are of the same form, so are their solutions.

# Wave Nature

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$$\nabla^2 \tilde{\mathbf{E}} - \gamma^2 \tilde{\mathbf{E}} = 0$$

$$\nabla^2 \tilde{\mathbf{H}} - \gamma^2 \tilde{\mathbf{H}} = 0$$

$$\gamma^2 = -\omega^2 \mu \epsilon_c,$$

$$\nabla^2 \tilde{\mathbf{E}} + \omega^2 \mu \epsilon_c \tilde{\mathbf{E}} = 0,$$

Conventional wave equation  
(mechanical displacement  $u$  of a wave)

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \nabla^2 u$$



Propagation Speed

$$\nabla^2 u + \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} u = 0$$

$$c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu \epsilon}}$$

# Lossless Media

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If the medium is **nonconducting** ( $\sigma = 0$ ), the wave does not suffer any attenuation as it travels and hence the medium is said to be **lossless**.

$$\gamma^2 = -\omega^2 \mu \epsilon. \quad (7.17)$$

For lossless media, it is customary to define the *wavenumber*  $k$  as

$$k = \omega \sqrt{\mu \epsilon}. \quad (7.18)$$

In view of Eq. (7.17),  $\gamma^2 = -k^2$  and Eq. (7.15) becomes

$$\nabla^2 \tilde{\mathbf{E}} + k^2 \tilde{\mathbf{E}} = 0. \quad (7.19)$$



Here is positive sign



# Solve the Wave Equation

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$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}} = \hat{\mathbf{x}}\tilde{E}_x + \hat{\mathbf{y}}\tilde{E}_y + \hat{\mathbf{z}}\tilde{E}_z,$$

$$\nabla^2 \tilde{\mathbf{E}} + k^2 \tilde{\mathbf{E}} = 0.$$

Use this PDE equation to solve for  $\mathbf{E}$ , or solve for  $E_x$ ,  $E_y$  and  $E_z$

This PDE equation can be expanded to

$$\left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right) (\hat{\mathbf{x}}\tilde{E}_x + \hat{\mathbf{y}}\tilde{E}_y + \hat{\mathbf{z}}\tilde{E}_z) + k^2 (\hat{\mathbf{x}}\tilde{E}_x + \hat{\mathbf{y}}\tilde{E}_y + \hat{\mathbf{z}}\tilde{E}_z) = 0.$$

# Uniform Plane Wave

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Split the vector PDE  
equation into three  
scalar PDE equation

$$\left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} + k^2 \right) \tilde{E}_x = 0, \quad (7.22)$$

and similar expressions apply to  $\tilde{E}_y$  and  $\tilde{E}_z$ .

*A uniform plane wave is characterized by electric and magnetic fields that have uniform properties at all points across an infinite plane.*

Uniform magnitude and  
uniform direction

If this happens to be the  $x$ - $y$  plane, then  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{H}$  do not vary with  $x$  and  $y$ . Hence,  $\partial \tilde{E}_x / \partial x = 0$  and  $\partial \tilde{E}_x / \partial y = 0$ , and Eq. (7.22) reduces to

$$\frac{d^2 \tilde{E}_x}{dz^2} + k^2 \tilde{E}_x = 0. \quad (7.23)$$

# Transverse Electromagnetic (TEM) Wave

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$$\frac{d^2 \tilde{E}_y}{dz^2} + k^2 \tilde{E}_y = 0 \quad \frac{d^2 \tilde{H}_x}{dz^2} + k^2 \tilde{H}_x = 0 \quad \frac{d^2 \tilde{H}_y}{dz^2} + k^2 \tilde{H}_y = 0$$

Similar expressions apply to  $\tilde{E}_y$ ,  $\tilde{H}_x$ , and  $\tilde{H}_y$ . The remaining components of  $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}$  are zero; that is,  $\tilde{E}_z = \tilde{H}_z = 0$ . To show that  $\tilde{E}_z = 0$ , let us consider the  $z$  component of Eq. (7.6d),

$$\nabla \times \tilde{\mathbf{H}} = j\omega\epsilon_c \tilde{\mathbf{E}}. \quad \hat{\mathbf{z}} \left( \frac{\partial \tilde{H}_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \tilde{H}_x}{\partial y} \right) = \hat{\mathbf{z}} j\omega\epsilon \tilde{E}_z. \quad (7.24)$$

Since  $\partial \tilde{H}_y / \partial x = \partial \tilde{H}_x / \partial y = 0$ , it follows that  $\tilde{E}_z = 0$ . A similar examination involving Eq. (7.6b) reveals that  $\tilde{H}_z = 0$ .

# Uniform Plane Wave Solution

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$$\frac{d^2 \tilde{E}_x}{dz^2} + k^2 \tilde{E}_x = 0.$$

-z propagation

General Form of the Solution:

$$\tilde{E}_x(z) = \tilde{E}_x^+(z) + \tilde{E}_x^-(z) = E_{x0}^+ e^{-jkz} + E_{x0}^- e^{jkz}$$



+z propagation

Assume for the time being that  $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$  only has a component along  $x$  (i.e.,  $\tilde{E}_y = 0$ ) and that  $\tilde{E}_x$  is associated with a wave traveling in the  $+z$  direction only (i.e.,  $E_{x0}^- = 0$ ). Under these conditions,

For a wave travelling along  $+z$  only:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}}(z) = \hat{\mathbf{x}} \tilde{E}_x^+(z) = \hat{\mathbf{x}} E_{x0}^+ e^{-jkz}$$

# Uniform Plane Wave Solution

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The corresponding  $\mathbf{H}$  field is obtained by

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

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \times \tilde{\mathbf{E}} &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{x}} & \hat{\mathbf{y}} & \hat{\mathbf{z}} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ \tilde{E}_x^+(z) & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= -j\omega\mu(\hat{\mathbf{x}}\tilde{H}_x + \hat{\mathbf{y}}\tilde{H}_y + \hat{\mathbf{z}}\tilde{H}_z).\end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{H}_x = 0,$$

$$\tilde{H}_y = \frac{1}{-j\omega\mu} \frac{\partial \tilde{E}_x^+(z)}{\partial z},$$

$$\tilde{H}_z = \frac{1}{-j\omega\mu} \frac{\partial E_x^+(z)}{\partial y} = 0.$$

$$\tilde{H}_y(z) = \frac{k}{\omega\mu} E_{x0}^+ e^{-jkz} = H_{y0}^+ e^{-jkz},$$

$$H_{y0}^+ = \frac{k}{\omega\mu} E_{x0}^+.$$

# Proof of TEM Nature ( $\vec{E} \perp \vec{k}$ & $\vec{H} \perp \vec{k}$ )

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Fields do not change with x and y  $\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 \tilde{E}_x}{dz^2} + k^2 \tilde{E}_x = 0$  😊

Fields do not change with x and z  $\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 \tilde{E}_x}{dy^2} + k^2 \tilde{E}_x = 0$  😊

Fields do not change with y and z  $\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 \tilde{E}_x}{dx^2} + k^2 \tilde{E}_x = 0$  ❌

$$\tilde{E}_x(x) = E_x^+ e^{-jkx} + E_x^- e^{jkx}$$

$\Rightarrow E_x = H_x = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times \tilde{\mathbf{E}} &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ \tilde{E}_x^+(x) & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= -j\omega\mu(\hat{x}\tilde{H}_x + \hat{y}\tilde{H}_y + \hat{z}\tilde{H}_z) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow H = 0$  ❌

# Intrinsic Impedance

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$$\eta = \frac{E_x^+}{H_y^+} \quad \text{Intrinsic impedance of the medium or wave impedance}$$

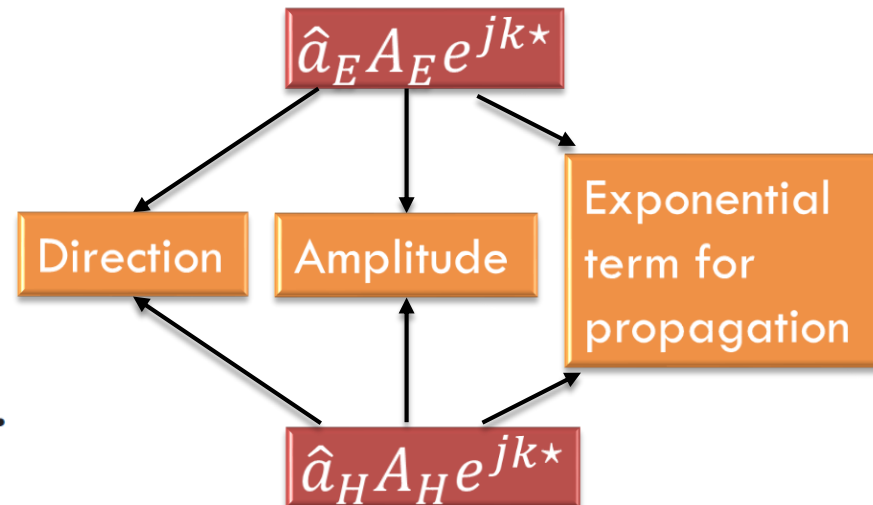
$$\tilde{H}_y(z) = \frac{k}{\omega\mu} E_{x0}^+ e^{-jkz}$$

$$\eta = \frac{\omega\mu}{k} = \frac{\omega\mu}{\omega\sqrt{\mu\varepsilon}} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\varepsilon}} \quad (\Omega)$$

**Summary:** This is a plane wave with

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}}(z) = \hat{\mathbf{x}} \tilde{E}_x^+(z) = \hat{\mathbf{x}} E_{x0}^+ e^{-jkz},$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{H}}(z) = \hat{\mathbf{y}} \frac{\tilde{E}_x^+(z)}{\eta} = \hat{\mathbf{y}} \frac{E_{x0}^+}{\eta} e^{-jkz}.$$



# Time-Domain Solution

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In the general case,  $E_{x0}^+$  is a complex quantity with magnitude  $|E_{x0}^+|$  and phase angle  $\phi^+$ . That is,

$$E_{x0}^+ = |E_{x0}^+| e^{j\phi^+}. \quad (7.33)$$

The instantaneous electric and magnetic fields therefore are

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}(z, t) &= \Re \left[ \tilde{\mathbf{E}}(z) e^{j\omega t} \right] \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{x}} |E_{x0}^+| \cos(\omega t - kz + \phi^+) \quad (\text{V/m}), \end{aligned} \quad (7.34a)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{H}(z, t) &= \Re \left[ \tilde{\mathbf{H}}(z) e^{j\omega t} \right] \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{y}} \frac{|E_{x0}^+|}{\eta} \cos(\omega t - kz + \phi^+) \quad (\text{A/m}). \end{aligned} \quad (7.34b)$$

Because  $\mathbf{E}(z, t)$  and  $\mathbf{H}(z, t)$  exhibit the same functional dependence on  $z$  and  $t$ , they are said to be *in phase*; when the amplitude of one of them reaches a maximum, the amplitude of the other does so too. The fact that  $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}$  are in phase is characteristic of waves propagating in lossless media.



# Wave's Phase Velocity

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$$u_p = \frac{\omega}{k} = \frac{\omega}{\omega\sqrt{\mu\varepsilon}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\varepsilon}} \quad (\text{m/s}), \quad (7.35)$$

and its wavelength is

$$\lambda = \frac{2\pi}{k} = \frac{u_p}{f} \quad (\text{m}). \quad (7.36)$$

*In vacuum*,  $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_0$  and  $\mu = \mu_0$ , and the phase velocity  $u_p$  and the intrinsic impedance  $\eta$  given by Eq. (7.31) are

$$u_p = c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_0\varepsilon_0}} = 3 \times 10^8 \quad (\text{m/s}), \quad (7.37)$$

$$\eta = \eta_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\varepsilon_0}} = 377 \, (\Omega) \approx 120\pi \, (\Omega), \quad (7.38)$$

### Example 7-1: EM Plane Wave in Air

This example is analogous to the “Sound Wave in Water” problem given by Example 1-1.

The electric field of a 1-MHz plane wave traveling in the  $+z$ -direction in air points along the  $x$ -direction. If this field reaches a peak value of  $1.2\pi$  (mV/m) at  $t = 0$  and  $z = 50$  m, obtain expressions for  $\mathbf{E}(z, t)$  and  $\mathbf{H}(z, t)$ , and then plot them as a function of  $z$  at  $t = 0$ .

**Solution:** At  $f = 1$  MHz, the wavelength in air is

$$\lambda = \frac{c}{f} = \frac{3 \times 10^8}{1 \times 10^6} = 300 \text{ m},$$

and the corresponding wavenumber is  $k = (2\pi/300)$  (rad/m). The general expression for an  $x$ -directed electric field traveling in the  $+z$ -direction is given by Eq. (7.34a) as

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{E}(z, t) &= \hat{\mathbf{x}} |E_{x0}^+| \cos(\omega t - kz + \phi^+) \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{x}} 1.2\pi \cos\left(2\pi \times 10^6 t - \frac{2\pi z}{300} + \phi^+\right) \text{ (mV/m)}.\end{aligned}$$

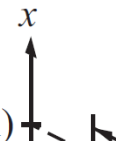
The field  $\mathbf{E}(z, t)$  is maximum when the argument of the cosine function equals zero or a multiple of  $2\pi$ . At  $t = 0$  and  $z = 50$  m, this condition yields

$$-\frac{2\pi \times 50}{300} + \phi^+ = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \phi^+ = \frac{\pi}{3}.$$

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## Example 7-1 cont.

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$$1.2\pi \text{ (mV/m)}$$


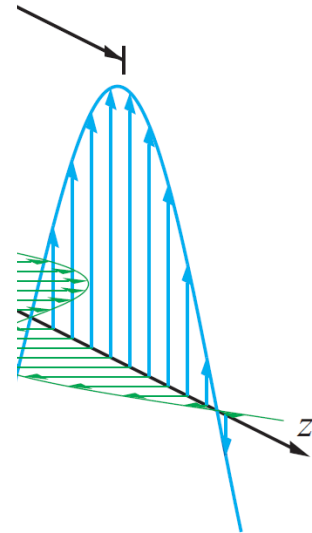
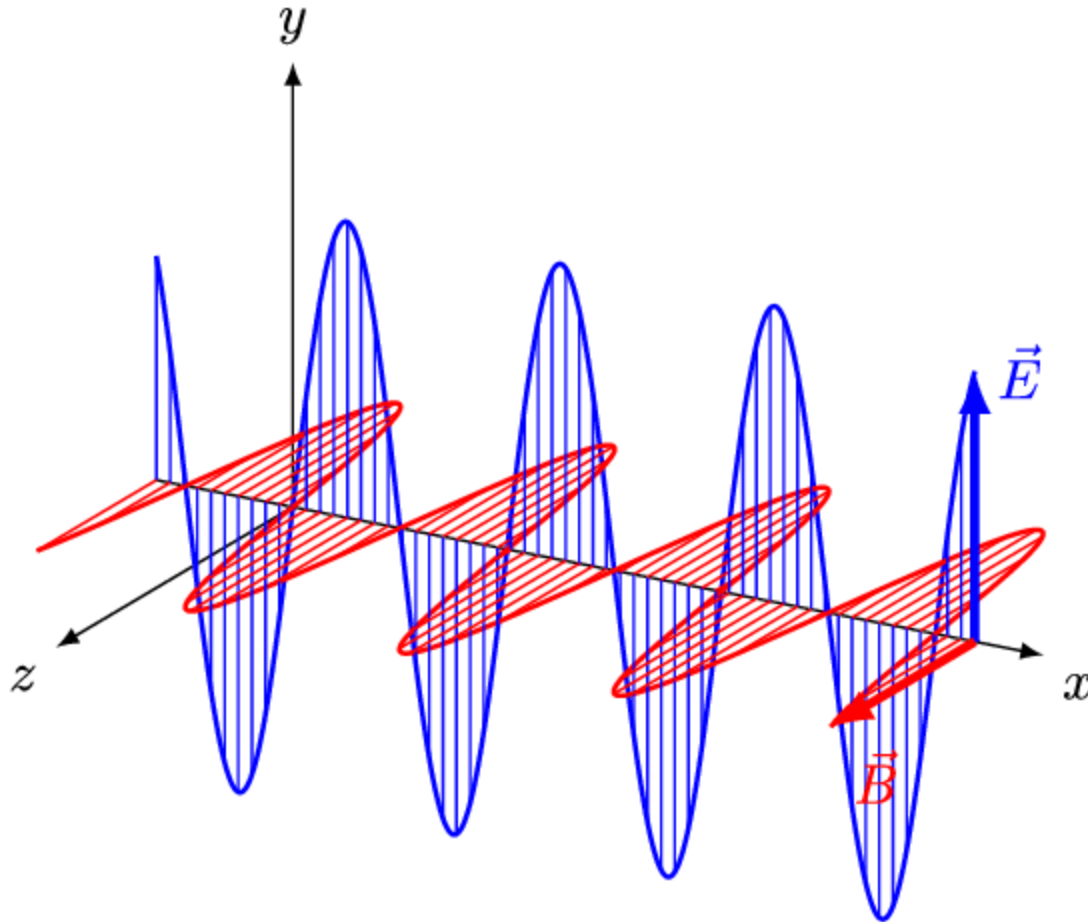
Hence,

$$\mathbf{E}(z, t) = \hat{\mathbf{x}}$$

and from Eq

$$\mathbf{H}(z, t) =$$

$$= \hat{\mathbf{y}} 10 \cos \left( 2\pi \times 10^6 t - \frac{2\pi z}{300} + \frac{\pi}{3} \right) \quad (\mu\text{A/m}),$$



# General Plane Wave

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+z propagation

$$e^{-jkz}$$

Wave vector  $\vec{k} = k\hat{z}$

General-direction propagation

$$e^{-j\vec{k}\cdot\vec{r}} = e^{-j(k_x x + k_y y + k_z z)}$$

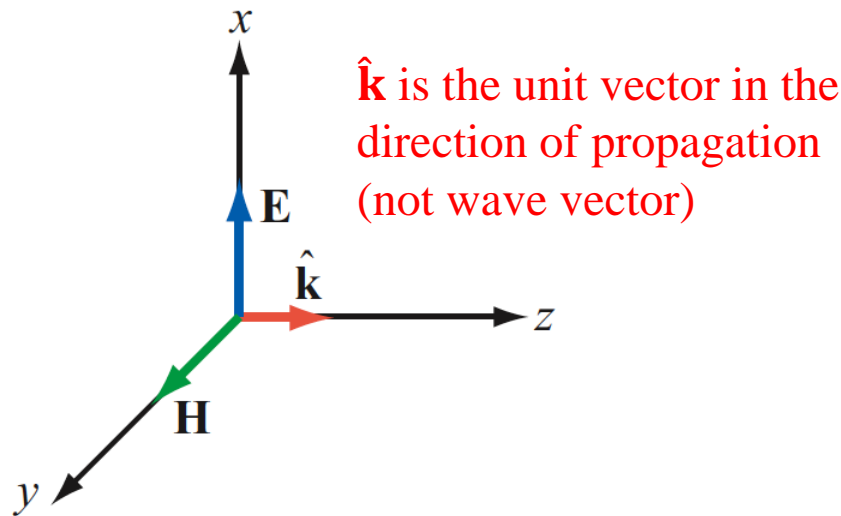
$$\vec{k} = k_x \hat{x} + k_y \hat{y} + k_z \hat{z} = k\hat{k} \quad \vec{r} = x\hat{x} + y\hat{y} + z\hat{z}$$

General plane wave

$$\vec{E} = \vec{E}_0 e^{-j\vec{k}\cdot\vec{r}} = (E_{0x}\hat{x} + E_{0y}\hat{y} + E_{0z}\hat{z})e^{-j\vec{k}\cdot\vec{r}}$$

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**Figure 7-4:** A transverse electromagnetic (TEM) wave propagating in the direction  $\hat{\mathbf{k}} = \hat{\mathbf{z}}$ . For all TEM waves,  $\hat{\mathbf{k}}$  is parallel to  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}$ .

For Any TEM Wave

$$\tilde{\mathbf{H}} = \frac{1}{\eta} \hat{\mathbf{k}} \times \tilde{\mathbf{E}}, \quad (7.39a)$$

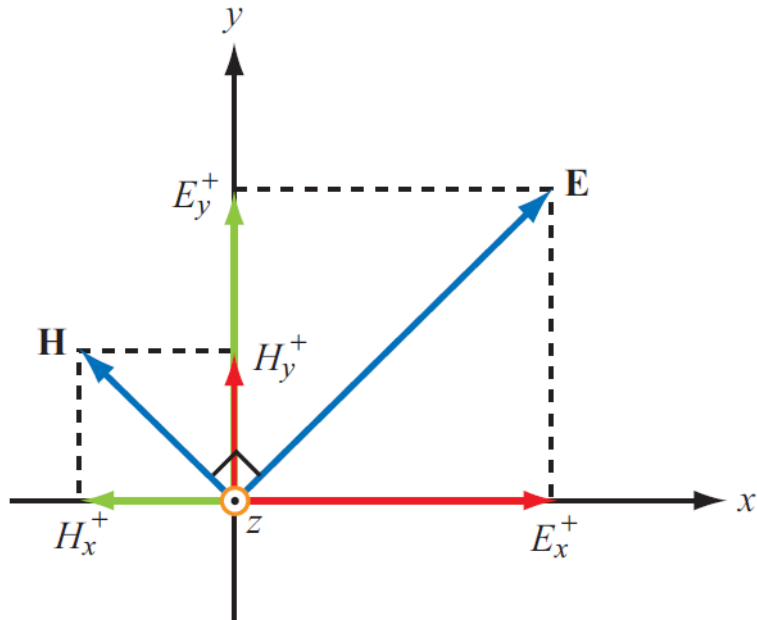
$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}} = -\eta \hat{\mathbf{k}} \times \tilde{\mathbf{H}}. \quad (7.39b)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{k} \times \eta \tilde{\mathbf{H}} &= \hat{k} \times (\hat{k} \times \tilde{\mathbf{E}}) \\ \eta \hat{k} \times \tilde{\mathbf{H}} &= (\hat{k} \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{E}}) \hat{k} - (\hat{k} \cdot \hat{k}) \tilde{\mathbf{E}} \\ \eta \hat{k} \times \tilde{\mathbf{H}} &= -\tilde{\mathbf{E}} \end{aligned}$$

*The following right-hand rule applies: when we rotate the four fingers of the right hand from the direction of  $\mathbf{E}$  toward that of  $\mathbf{H}$ , the thumb points in the direction of wave travel,  $\hat{\mathbf{k}}$ .*

# Wave decomposition

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**Figure 7-6:** The wave ( $\mathbf{E}$ ,  $\mathbf{H}$ ) is equivalent to the sum of two waves, one with fields ( $E_x^+$ ,  $H_y^+$ ) and another with ( $E_y^+$ ,  $H_x^+$ ) with both traveling in the +z-direction.

In general, a uniform plane wave traveling in the +z-direction may have both x- and y-components, in which case  $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$  is given by

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}} = \hat{\mathbf{x}} \tilde{E}_x^+(z) + \hat{\mathbf{y}} \tilde{E}_y^+(z), \quad (7.43a)$$

and the associated magnetic field is

$$\tilde{\mathbf{H}} = \hat{\mathbf{x}} \tilde{H}_x^+(z) + \hat{\mathbf{y}} \tilde{H}_y^+(z). \quad (7.43b)$$

Application of Eq. (7.39a) gives

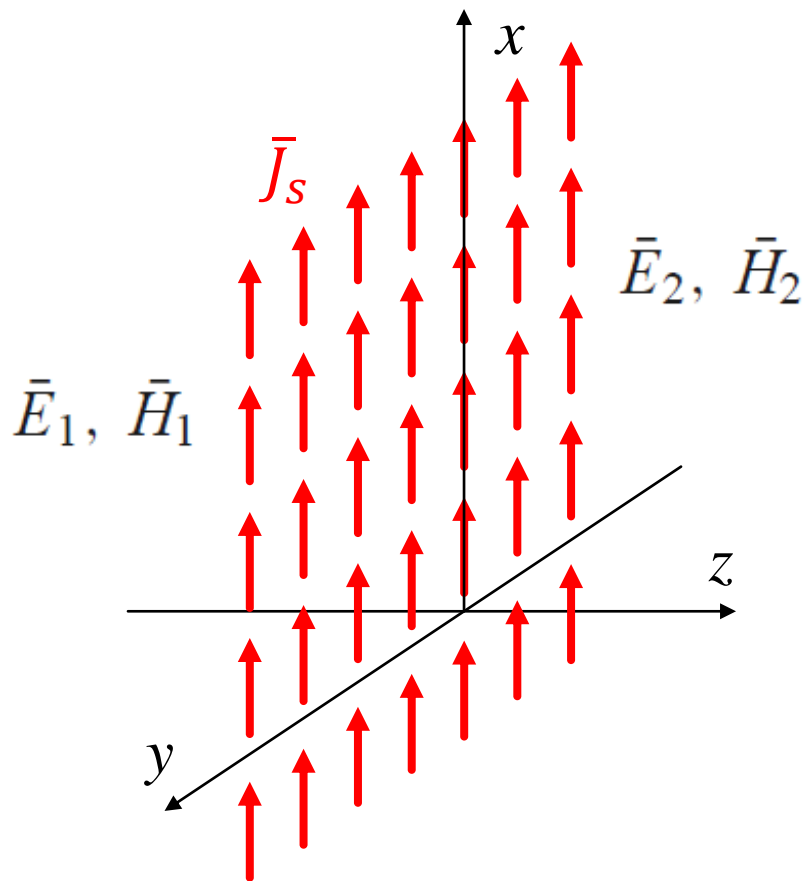
$$\tilde{\mathbf{H}} = \frac{1}{\eta} \hat{\mathbf{z}} \times \tilde{\mathbf{E}} = -\hat{\mathbf{x}} \frac{\tilde{E}_y^+(z)}{\eta} + \hat{\mathbf{y}} \frac{\tilde{E}_x^+(z)}{\eta}. \quad (7.44)$$

By equating Eq. (7.43b) to Eq. (7.44), we have

$$\tilde{H}_x^+(z) = -\frac{\tilde{E}_y^+(z)}{\eta}, \quad \tilde{H}_y^+(z) = \frac{\tilde{E}_x^+(z)}{\eta}. \quad (7.45)$$

# Example

- ❖ An infinite sheet of **alternating** surface current can be considered as a source for plane waves. If an electric surface current density  $\bar{J}_s = J_0 \hat{x}$  exists on the  $z = 0$  plane in free-space, find the resulting fields by assuming plane waves on either side of the current sheet and enforcing boundary conditions.



- ❖ Since the entire surface current have uniform phase, it can be determined that the generated plane waves also have planar wavefronts in  $xy$  planes
- ❖ Then the plane wave propagates in  $+z$  and  $-z$  direction
- ❖  $E$  must be in  $-x$  direction
- ❖  $H$  must be in  $-y$  direction for  $z$  propagation, and  $+y$  direction for  $-z$  propagation

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- ❖ Then the fields can be written in the following form with  $A$  and  $B$  are arbitrary numbers representing field amplitudes in the  $z < 0$  and  $z > 0$  region

$$\begin{aligned} \text{for } z < 0, \quad \vec{E}_1 &= -\hat{x}A\eta e^{jkz} \\ \vec{H}_1 &= \hat{y}Ae^{jkz} \\ \text{for } z > 0, \quad \vec{E}_2 &= -\hat{x}B\eta e^{-jkz} \\ \vec{H}_2 &= -\hat{y}Be^{-jkz} \end{aligned}$$

- ❖ The boundary conditions at  $z = 0$  are

$$\vec{E}_1 \Big|_{z=0} = \vec{E}_2 \Big|_{z=0} \Rightarrow A = B$$

$$\hat{z} \times (\vec{H}_2 - \vec{H}_1) \Big|_{z=0} = J_0 \hat{x} \Rightarrow \hat{z} \times (-\hat{y}B - \hat{y}A) = J_0 \hat{x} \Rightarrow A + B = J_0$$

- ❖ So, we can get  $A = B = J_0 / 2$



# Wave Polarization

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*The **polarization** of a uniform plane wave describes the locus traced by the tip of the  $\mathbf{E}$  vector (in the plane orthogonal to the direction of propagation) at a given point in space as a function of time.*

Plane wave propagating along  $+z$  :

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}}(z) = \hat{\mathbf{x}}\tilde{E}_x(z) + \hat{\mathbf{y}}\tilde{E}_y(z),$$

with

$$\tilde{E}_x(z) = E_{x0}e^{-jkz},$$

$$\tilde{E}_y(z) = E_{y0}e^{-jkz},$$

Generally complex numbers

If:  $E_{x0} = a_x,$

$$E_{y0} = a_y e^{j\delta},$$

then

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}}(z) = (\hat{\mathbf{x}}a_x + \hat{\mathbf{y}}a_y e^{j\delta})e^{-jkz},$$

$$a_x \geq 0 \quad a_y \geq 0$$

and the corresponding instantaneous field is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}(z, t) &= \Re \left[ \tilde{\mathbf{E}}(z) e^{j\omega t} \right] \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{x}}a_x \cos(\omega t - kz) \\ &\quad + \hat{\mathbf{y}}a_y \cos(\omega t - kz + \delta). \end{aligned}$$

Phase difference



# Polarization State

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Polarization **state** describes the trace of **E** as a function of time at a **fixed z**

**Magnitude (not amplitude) of E**

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathbf{E}(z, t)| &= [E_x^2(z, t) + E_y^2(z, t)]^{1/2} \\ &= [a_x^2 \cos^2(\omega t - kz) \\ &\quad + a_y^2 \cos^2(\omega t - kz + \delta)]^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

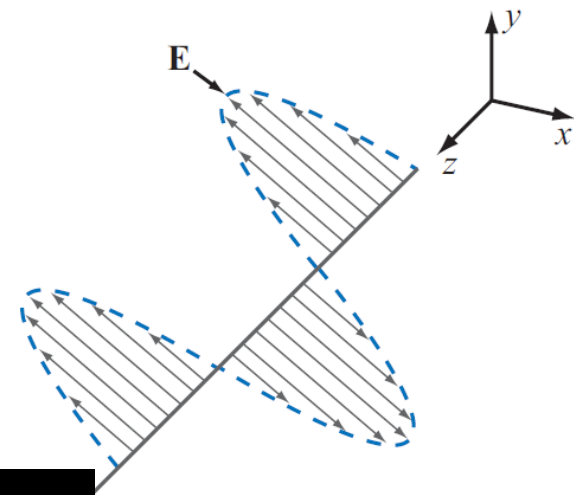
**Inclination Angle**

$$\psi(z, t) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{E_y(z, t)}{E_x(z, t)} \right)$$

# Linear Polarization:

$$\delta = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \delta = \pi$$

A wave is said to be linearly polarized if for a fixed  $z$ , the tip of  $\mathbf{E}(z, t)$  traces a straight line segment as a function of time. This happens when  $E_x(z, t)$  and  $E_y(z, t)$  are **in-phase** (i.e.,  $\delta = 0$ ) or **out-of-phase** ( $\delta = \pi$ ).



Under these conditions Eq. (7)

$$\mathbf{E}(0, t) = (\hat{\mathbf{x}}a_x + \hat{\mathbf{y}}a_y) \cos(\omega t)$$

$$\mathbf{E}(0, t) = (\hat{\mathbf{x}}a_x - \hat{\mathbf{y}}a_y) \cos(\omega t)$$

Let us examine the out-of-phase

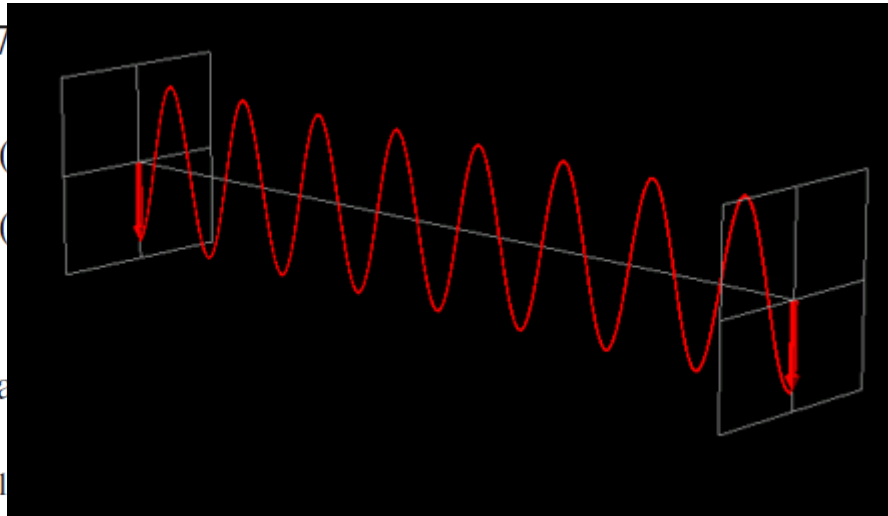
$$|\mathbf{E}(z, t)| = [a_x^2 + a_y^2]^{1/2}$$

and the inclination angle is

$$\psi = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{-a_y}{a_x} \right) \quad (\text{out-of-phase}). \quad (7.54b)$$

## Special cases

If  $a_y = 0$ , then  $\psi = 0^\circ$  or  $180^\circ$ , and the wave is  $x$ -polarized; conversely, if  $a_x = 0$ , then  $\psi = 90^\circ$  or  $-90^\circ$ , and the wave is  $y$ -polarized.



**E traces a line (in blue) as the wave traverses a fixed plane**

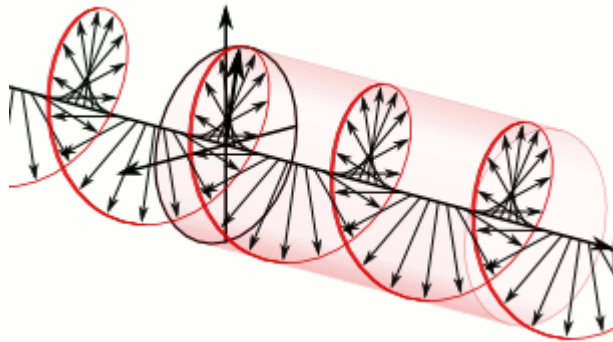
# Circular Polarization

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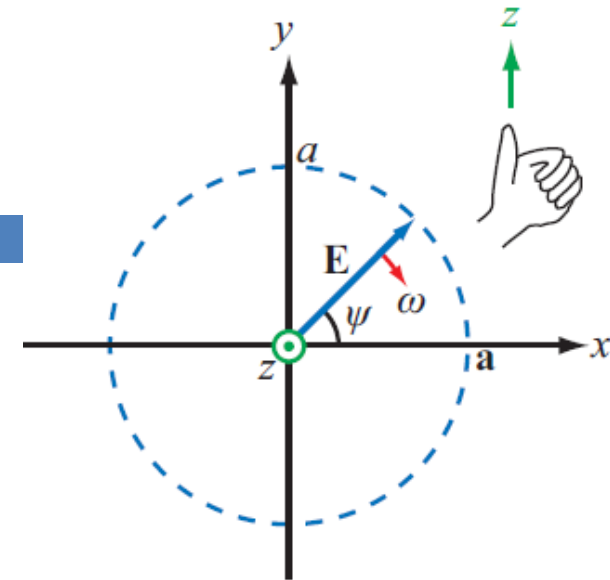
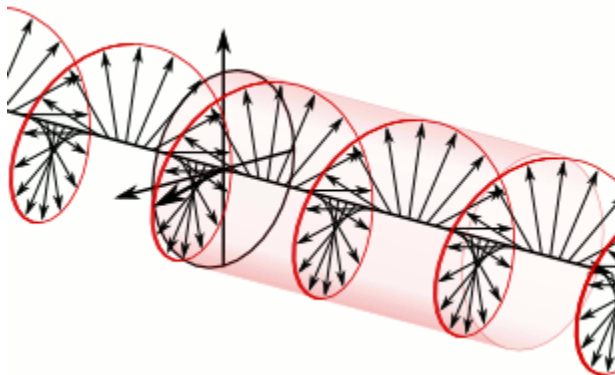
## Polarization Handedness

*Polarization handedness is defined in terms of the rotation of  $\mathbf{E}$  as a function of time in a fixed plane orthogonal to the direction of propagation, which is opposite of the direction of rotation of  $\mathbf{E}$  as a function of distance at a fixed point in time.*

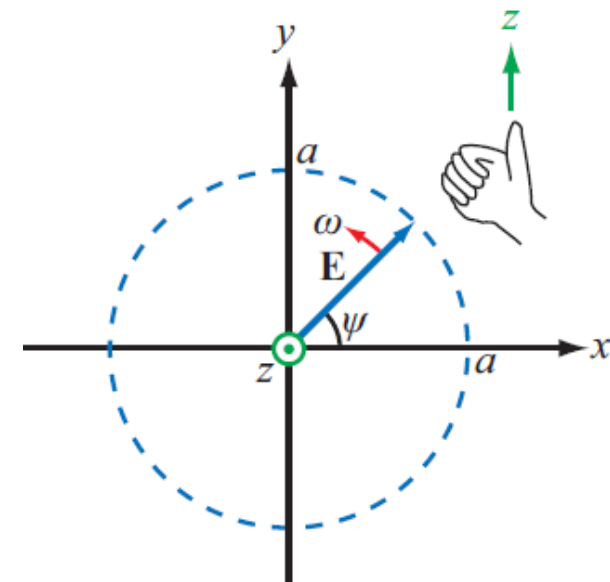
Left-hand



Right-hand



(a) LHC polarization



(b) RHC polarization

# LH Circular Polarization:

$$a_x = a_y = a \text{ and } \delta = \pi/2.$$

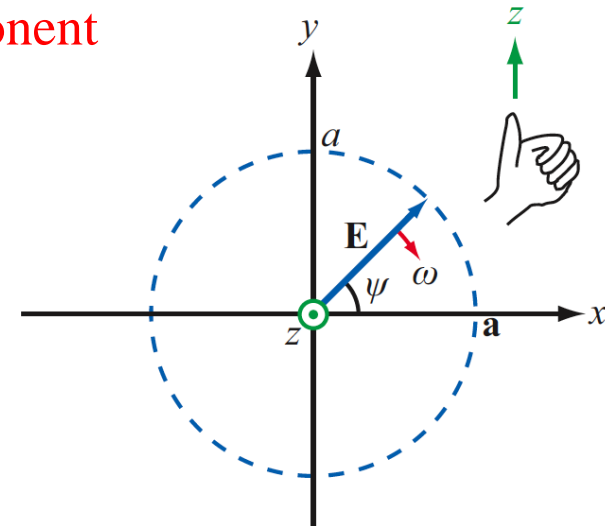
y component is  $90^\circ$   
ahead of x component

## (a) Left-Hand Circular (LHC) Polarization

For  $a_x = a_y = a$  and  $\delta = \pi/2$ , Eqs. (7.49) and (7.50) become

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\mathbf{E}}(z) &= (\hat{\mathbf{x}}a + \hat{\mathbf{y}}ae^{j\pi/2})e^{-jkz} \\ &= a(\hat{\mathbf{x}} + j\hat{\mathbf{y}})e^{-jkz},\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{E}(z, t) &= \Re \left[ \tilde{\mathbf{E}}(z) e^{j\omega t} \right] \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{x}}a \cos(\omega t - kz) + \hat{\mathbf{y}}a \cos(\omega t - kz + \pi/2) \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{x}}a \cos(\omega t - kz) - \hat{\mathbf{y}}a \sin(\omega t - kz).\end{aligned}$$



(a) LHC polarization

phase of x component needs  
to take  $T/4$  to become the  
current phase of y component

The corresponding field magnitude and inclination angle are

$$\begin{aligned}|\mathbf{E}(z, t)| &= \left[ E_x^2(z, t) + E_y^2(z, t) \right]^{1/2} \\ &= [a^2 \cos^2(\omega t - kz) + a^2 \sin^2(\omega t - kz)]^{1/2} \\ &= \boxed{a},\end{aligned}$$

Constant magnitude

$$\begin{aligned}\psi(z, t) &= \tan^{-1} \left[ \frac{E_y(z, t)}{E_x(z, t)} \right] \\ &= \tan^{-1} \left[ \frac{-a \sin(\omega t - kz)}{a \cos(\omega t - kz)} \right] \\ &= \boxed{-(\omega t - kz)}.\end{aligned}$$

# RH Circular Polarization:

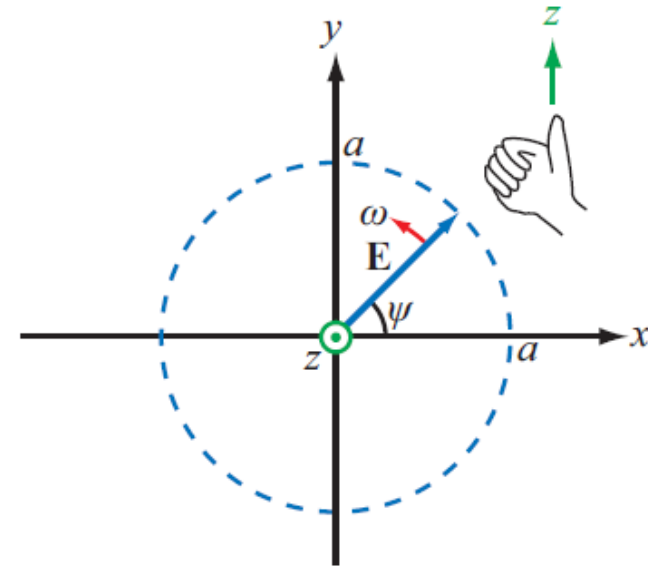
$a_x = a_y = a$  and  $\delta = -\pi/2$ , x component is  $90^\circ$  ahead of y component

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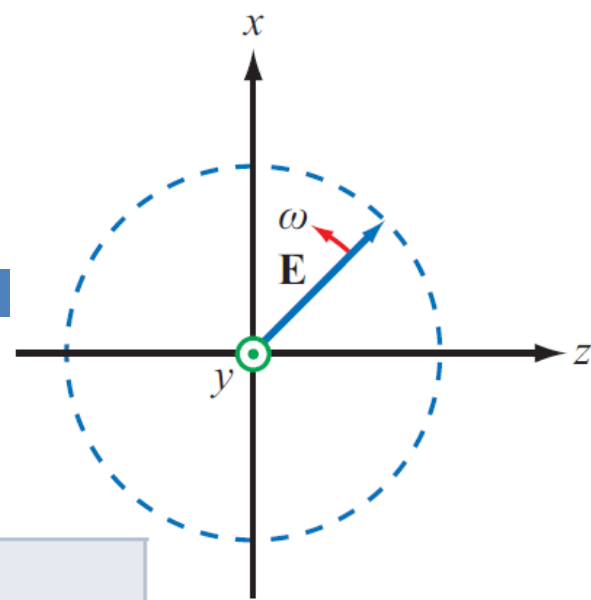
## (b) Right-Hand Circular (RHC) Polarization

For  $a_x = a_y = a$  and  $\delta = -\pi/2$ , we have

$$|\mathbf{E}(z, t)| = a, \quad \psi = (\omega t - kz).$$



(b) RHC polarization



### Example 7-2: RHC Polarized Wave

An RHC polarized plane wave with electric field magnitude of 3 (mV/m) is traveling in the  $+y$ -direction in a dielectric medium with  $\epsilon = 4\epsilon_0$ ,  $\mu = \mu_0$ , and  $\sigma = 0$ . If the frequency is 100 MHz, obtain expressions for  $\mathbf{E}(y, t)$  and  $\mathbf{H}(y, t)$ .

**Solution:** Since the wave is traveling in the  $+y$ -direction, its field must have components along the  $x$ - and  $z$ -directions. The rotation of  $\mathbf{E}(y, t)$  is depicted in Fig. 7-10, where  $\hat{y}$  is out of the page. By comparison with the RHC polarized wave shown in Fig. 7-8(b), we assign the  $z$ -component of  $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}(y)$  a phase angle of zero and the  $x$ -component a phase shift of  $\delta = -\pi/2$ .

Cont.

# Example 7-2 cont.

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Wave with electric field magnitude of 3 (mV/m) traveling in the +y-direction

With  $\omega = 2\pi f = 2\pi \times 10^8$  (rad/s), the wavenumber  $k$  is

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\mathbf{E}}(y) &= \hat{\mathbf{x}}\tilde{E}_x + \hat{\mathbf{z}}\tilde{E}_z \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{x}}ae^{-j\pi/2}e^{-jky} + \hat{\mathbf{z}}ae^{-jky} \\ &= (-\hat{\mathbf{x}}j + \hat{\mathbf{z}})3e^{-jky} \quad (\text{mV/m}),\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}k &= \frac{\omega\sqrt{\epsilon_r}}{c} \\ &= \frac{2\pi \times 10^8 \sqrt{4}}{3 \times 10^8} \\ &= \frac{4}{3}\pi \quad (\text{rad/m}),\end{aligned}$$

and application of (7.39a) gives

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\mathbf{H}}(y) &= \frac{1}{\eta} \hat{\mathbf{y}} \times \tilde{\mathbf{E}}(y) \\ &= \frac{1}{\eta} \hat{\mathbf{y}} \times (-\hat{\mathbf{x}}j + \hat{\mathbf{z}})3e^{-jky} \\ &= \frac{3}{\eta} (\hat{\mathbf{z}}j + \hat{\mathbf{x}})e^{-jky} \quad (\text{mA/m}).\end{aligned}$$

Cont.



# Example 7-2 cont.

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The instantaneous fields  $\mathbf{E}(y, t)$  and  $\mathbf{H}(y, t)$  are

$$\begin{aligned}\eta &= \frac{\eta_0}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}} \\ &\simeq \frac{120\pi}{\sqrt{4}} \\ &= 60\pi \quad (\Omega).\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{E}(y, t) &= \Re \left[ \tilde{\mathbf{E}}(y) e^{j\omega t} \right] \\ &= \Re \left[ (-\hat{\mathbf{x}}j + \hat{\mathbf{z}})3e^{-jky} e^{j\omega t} \right] \\ &= 3[\hat{\mathbf{x}} \sin(\omega t - ky) + \hat{\mathbf{z}} \cos(\omega t - ky)] \quad (\text{mV/m})\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{H}(y, t) &= \Re \left[ \tilde{\mathbf{H}}(y) e^{j\omega t} \right] \\ &= \Re \left[ \frac{3}{\eta} (\hat{\mathbf{z}}j + \hat{\mathbf{x}}) e^{-jky} e^{j\omega t} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{20\pi} [\hat{\mathbf{x}} \cos(\omega t - ky) - \hat{\mathbf{z}} \sin(\omega t - ky)] \quad (\text{mA/m}).\end{aligned}$$

# Elliptical Polarization: General Case

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Linear and circular polarizations are **special cases** of elliptical polarization

$$\tan 2\gamma = (\tan 2\psi_0) \cos \delta \quad (-\pi/2 \leq \gamma \leq \pi/2),$$

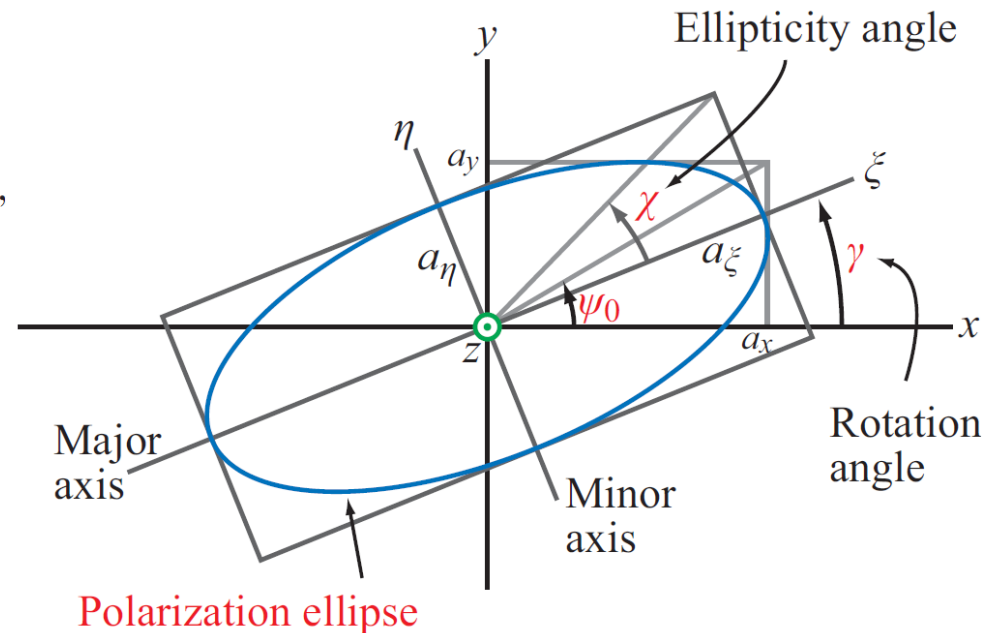
$$\sin 2\chi = (\sin 2\psi_0) \sin \delta \quad (-\pi/4 \leq \chi \leq \pi/4),$$

where  $\psi_0$  is an *auxiliary angle* defined by

$$\tan \psi_0 = \frac{a_y}{a_x} \quad \left(0 \leq \psi_0 \leq \frac{\pi}{2}\right).$$

$$\gamma > 0 \text{ if } \cos \delta > 0,$$

$$\gamma < 0 \text{ if } \cos \delta < 0.$$



*Positive*

values of  $\chi$ , corresponding to  $\sin \delta > 0$ , are associated with left-handed rotation, and negative values of  $\chi$ , corresponding to  $\sin \delta < 0$ , are associated with right-handed rotation.

### Example 7-3: Polarization State

Determine the polarization state of a plane wave with electric field

$$\mathbf{E}(z, t) = \hat{\mathbf{x}} 3 \cos(\omega t - kz + 30^\circ) - \hat{\mathbf{y}} 4 \sin(\omega t - kz + 45^\circ) \quad (\text{mV/m}).$$

**Solution:** We begin by converting the second term to a cosine reference,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E} &= \hat{\mathbf{x}} 3 \cos(\omega t - kz + 30^\circ) - \hat{\mathbf{y}} 4 \cos(\omega t - kz + 45^\circ - 90^\circ) \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{x}} 3 \cos(\omega t - kz + 30^\circ) - \hat{\mathbf{y}} 4 \cos(\omega t - kz - 45^\circ). \end{aligned}$$

The corresponding field phasor  $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}(z)$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathbf{E}}(z) &= \hat{\mathbf{x}} 3e^{-jkz} e^{j30^\circ} - \hat{\mathbf{y}} 4e^{-jkz} e^{-j45^\circ} \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{x}} 3e^{-jkz} e^{j30^\circ} + \hat{\mathbf{y}} 4e^{-jkz} e^{-j45^\circ} e^{j180^\circ} \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{x}} 3e^{-jkz} e^{j30^\circ} + \hat{\mathbf{y}} 4e^{-jkz} e^{j135^\circ}, \end{aligned}$$

Cont.

## Example 7-3 cont.

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which gives two solutions for  $\gamma$ , namely  $\gamma = 20.8^\circ$  and  $\gamma = -69.2^\circ$ . Since  $\cos \delta < 0$ , the correct value of  $\gamma$  is  $-69.2^\circ$ . From Eq. (7.59b),

$$\begin{aligned}\psi_0 &= \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{a_y}{a_x} \right) \\ &= \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{4}{3} \right) \\ &= 53.1^\circ.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sin 2\chi &= (\sin 2\psi_0) \sin \delta \\ &= \sin 106.2^\circ \sin 105^\circ \\ &= 0.93 \quad \text{or} \quad \chi = 34.0^\circ.\end{aligned}$$

The magnitude of  $\chi$  indicates that the wave is elliptically polarized and its positive polarity specifies its rotation as left handed.

From Eq. (7.59a),

$$\begin{aligned}\tan 2\gamma &= (\tan 2\psi_0) \cos \delta \\ &= \tan 106.2^\circ \cos 105^\circ \\ &= 0.89,\end{aligned}$$

# Lossy Media

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For a uniform plane wave with electric field  $\tilde{\mathbf{E}} = \hat{\mathbf{x}} \tilde{E}_x(z)$  traveling along the  $z$ -direction, the wave equation given by Eq. (7.61) reduces to

$$\frac{d^2 \tilde{E}_x(z)}{dz^2} - \gamma^2 \tilde{E}_x(z) = 0. \quad (7.67)$$

with

$$\gamma^2 = -\omega^2 \mu \varepsilon_c = -\omega^2 \mu (\varepsilon' - j\varepsilon''), \quad (7.62)$$

where  $\varepsilon' = \varepsilon$  and  $\varepsilon'' = \sigma/\omega$ . Since  $\gamma$  is complex, we express it as

$$\text{Definition } \gamma = \alpha + j\beta, \quad (7.63)$$

where  $\alpha$  is the medium's *attenuation constant* and  $\beta$  its *phase constant*. By replacing  $\gamma$  with  $(\alpha + j\beta)$  in Eq. (7.62), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (\alpha + j\beta)^2 &= (\alpha^2 - \beta^2) + j2\alpha\beta \\ &= -\omega^2 \mu \varepsilon' + j\omega^2 \mu \varepsilon''. \end{aligned} \quad (7.64)$$

Lossless

$$\gamma = jk = j\beta$$

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# Lossy Media

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The rules of complex algebra require the real and imaginary parts on one side of an equation to equal the real and imaginary parts on the other side. Hence,

$$\alpha^2 - \beta^2 = -\omega^2 \mu \varepsilon', \quad (7.65a)$$

$$2\alpha\beta = \omega^2 \mu \varepsilon''. \quad (7.65b)$$

Solving these two equations for  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  gives

$$\alpha = \omega \left\{ \frac{\mu \varepsilon'}{2} \left[ \sqrt{1 + \left( \frac{\varepsilon''}{\varepsilon'} \right)^2} - 1 \right] \right\}^{1/2} \quad (\text{Np/m}), \quad (7.66a)$$

$$\beta = \omega \left\{ \frac{\mu \varepsilon'}{2} \left[ \sqrt{1 + \left( \frac{\varepsilon''}{\varepsilon'} \right)^2} + 1 \right] \right\}^{1/2} \quad (\text{rad/m}). \quad (7.66b)$$

Both are positive

Check when  $\varepsilon'' = 0$

# Attenuation

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**E and H fields:**

Direction

Amplitude

Attenuation

Propagation

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}}(z) = \hat{\mathbf{x}}\tilde{E}_x(z) = \hat{\mathbf{x}}E_{x0}e^{-\gamma z} = \hat{\mathbf{x}}E_{x0}e^{-\alpha z}e^{-j\beta z}. \quad (7.68)$$

+z propagation

The associated magnetic field  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}$  can be determined by applying Eq. (7.2b):  $\nabla \times \tilde{\mathbf{E}} = -j\omega\mu\tilde{\mathbf{H}}$ , or using Eq. (7.39a):  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}} = (\hat{\mathbf{k}} \times \tilde{\mathbf{E}})/\eta_c$ , where  $\eta_c$  is the *intrinsic impedance of the lossy medium*. Both approaches give

$$\tilde{\mathbf{H}}(z) = \hat{\mathbf{y}}\tilde{H}_y(z) = \hat{\mathbf{y}}\frac{\tilde{E}_x(z)}{\eta_c} = \hat{\mathbf{y}}\frac{E_{x0}}{\eta_c}e^{-\alpha z}e^{-j\beta z}, \quad (7.69)$$

where

$$\eta_c = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\epsilon_c}} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\epsilon'}} \left(1 - j\frac{\epsilon''}{\epsilon'}\right)^{-1/2} \quad (\Omega). \quad (7.70)$$

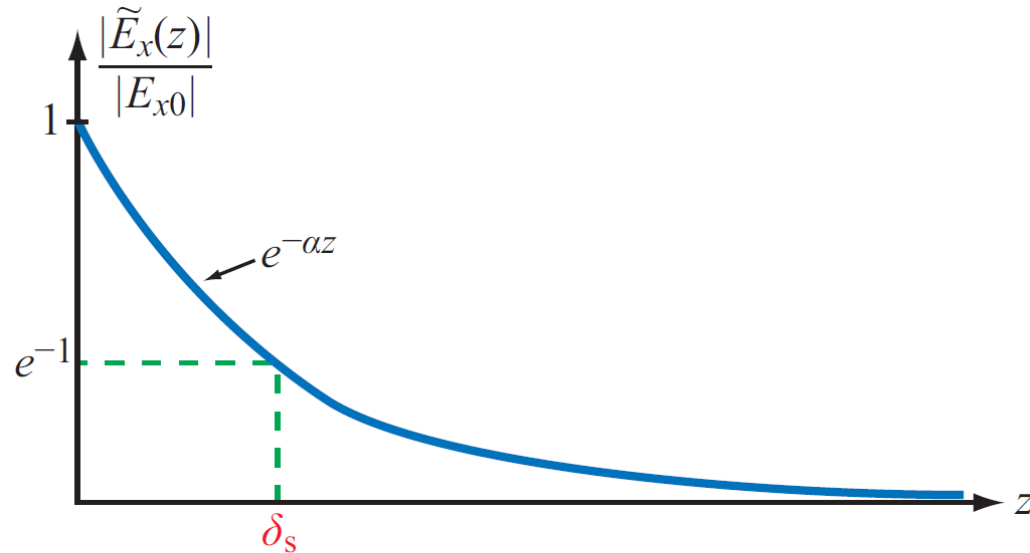
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# Attenuation

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## Magnitude of $E$

$$|\tilde{E}_x(z)| = |E_{x0}e^{-\alpha z}e^{-j\beta z}| = |E_{x0}|e^{-\alpha z}$$



## Skin depth

$$\delta_s = \frac{1}{\alpha} \quad (\text{m}), \quad (7.72)$$

**Figure 7-13:** Attenuation of the magnitude of  $\tilde{E}_x(z)$  with distance  $z$ . The skin depth  $\delta_s$  is the value of  $z$  at which  $|\tilde{E}_x(z)|/|E_{x0}| = e^{-1}$ , or  $z = \delta_s = 1/\alpha$ .

the wave magnitude decreases by a factor of  $e^{-1} \approx 0.37$  (Fig. 7-13). At depth  $z = 3\delta_s$ , the field magnitude is less than 5% of its initial value, and at  $z = 5\delta_s$ , it is less than 1%.

*This distance  $\delta_s$ , called the **skin depth** of the medium, characterizes how deep an electromagnetic wave can penetrate into a conducting medium.*



# Low and High Frequency Approximations

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**Table 7-1:** Expressions for  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\eta_c$ ,  $u_p$ , and  $\lambda$  for various types of media.

	Any Medium	Lossless Medium ( $\sigma = 0$ )	Low-loss Medium ( $\varepsilon''/\varepsilon' \ll 1$ )	Good Conductor ( $\varepsilon''/\varepsilon' \gg 1$ )	Units
$\alpha =$	$\omega \left[ \frac{\mu\varepsilon'}{2} \left[ \sqrt{1 + \left( \frac{\varepsilon''}{\varepsilon'} \right)^2} - 1 \right] \right]^{1/2}$	0	$\frac{\sigma}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\varepsilon}}$	$\sqrt{\pi f \mu \sigma}$	(Np/m)
$\beta =$	$\omega \left[ \frac{\mu\varepsilon'}{2} \left[ \sqrt{1 + \left( \frac{\varepsilon''}{\varepsilon'} \right)^2} + 1 \right] \right]^{1/2}$	$\omega \sqrt{\mu\varepsilon}$	$\omega \sqrt{\mu\varepsilon}$	$\sqrt{\pi f \mu \sigma}$	(rad/m)
$\eta_c =$	$\sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\varepsilon'}} \left( 1 - j \frac{\varepsilon''}{\varepsilon'} \right)^{-1/2}$	$\sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\varepsilon}}$	$\sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\varepsilon}}$	$(1 + j) \frac{\alpha}{\sigma}$	( $\Omega$ )
$u_p =$	$\omega / \beta$	$1 / \sqrt{\mu\varepsilon}$	$1 / \sqrt{\mu\varepsilon}$	$\sqrt{4\pi f / \mu \sigma}$	(m/s)
$\lambda =$	$2\pi / \beta = u_p / f$	$u_p / f$	$u_p / f$	$u_p / f$	(m)
Notes: $\varepsilon' = \varepsilon$ ; $\varepsilon'' = \sigma / \omega$ ; in free space, $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_0$ , $\mu = \mu_0$ ; in practice, a material is considered a low-loss medium if $\varepsilon''/\varepsilon' = \sigma / \omega \varepsilon < 0.01$ and a good conducting medium if $\varepsilon''/\varepsilon' > 100$ .					

## Example 7-4: Plane Wave in Seawater

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A uniform plane wave is traveling in seawater. Assume that the  $x$ - $y$  plane resides just below the sea surface and the wave travels in the  $+z$ -direction into the water. The constitutive parameters of seawater are  $\epsilon_r = 80$ ,  $\mu_r = 1$ , and  $\sigma = 4$  S/m. If the magnetic field at  $z = 0$  is  $\mathbf{H}(0, t) = \hat{\mathbf{y}} 100 \cos(2\pi \times 10^3 t + 15^\circ)$  (mA/m),

- (a) obtain expressions for  $\mathbf{E}(z, t)$  and  $\mathbf{H}(z, t)$ , and
- (b) determine the depth at which the magnitude of  $\mathbf{E}$  is 1% of its value at  $z = 0$ .

**Solution:** (a) Since  $\mathbf{H}$  is along  $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$  and the propagation direction is  $\hat{\mathbf{z}}$ ,  $\mathbf{E}$  must be along  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ . Hence, the general expressions for the phasor fields are

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}}(z) = \hat{\mathbf{x}} E_{x0} e^{-\alpha z} e^{-j\beta z}, \quad (7.78a)$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{H}}(z) = \hat{\mathbf{y}} \frac{E_{x0}}{\eta_c} e^{-\alpha z} e^{-j\beta z}. \quad (7.78b)$$

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## Example 7-4: Plane Wave in Seawater

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$$\frac{\varepsilon''}{\varepsilon'} = \frac{\sigma}{\omega\varepsilon} = \frac{\sigma}{\omega\varepsilon_r\varepsilon_0} = \frac{4}{2\pi \times 10^3 \times 80 \times (10^{-9}/36\pi)} \\ = 9 \times 10^5.$$

This qualifies seawater as a good conductor at 1 kHz and allows us to use the good-conductor expressions given in Table 7-1:

$$\alpha = \sqrt{\pi f \mu \sigma} \\ = \sqrt{\pi \times 10^3 \times 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \times 4} \\ = 0.126 \quad (\text{Np/m}), \quad (7.79a)$$

$$\beta = \alpha = 0.126 \quad (\text{rad/m}), \quad (7.79b)$$

$$\eta_c = (1 + j) \frac{\alpha}{\sigma} \\ = (\sqrt{2} e^{j\pi/4}) \frac{0.126}{4} = 0.044 e^{j\pi/4} \quad (\Omega). \quad (7.79c)$$

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## Example 7-4: Plane Wave in Seawater

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$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{E}(z, t) &= \Re \left[ \hat{\mathbf{x}} |E_{x0}| e^{j\phi_0} e^{-\alpha z} e^{-j\beta z} e^{j\omega t} \right] \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{x}} |E_{x0}| e^{-0.126z} \cos(2\pi \times 10^3 t - 0.126z + \phi_0) \\ &\quad (\text{V/m}),\end{aligned}\tag{7.80a}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{H}(z, t) &= \Re \left[ \hat{\mathbf{y}} \frac{|E_{x0}| e^{j\phi_0}}{0.044 e^{j\pi/4}} e^{-\alpha z} e^{-j\beta z} e^{j\omega t} \right] \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{y}} 22.5 |E_{x0}| e^{-0.126z} \cos(2\pi \times 10^3 t \\ &\quad - 0.126z + \phi_0 - 45^\circ) \quad (\text{A/m}).\end{aligned}\tag{7.80b}$$

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# Example 7-4: Plane Wave in Seawater

At  $z = 0$ ,

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$$\mathbf{H}(0, t) = \hat{\mathbf{y}} 22.5 |E_{x0}| \cos(2\pi \times 10^3 t + \phi_0 - 45^\circ) \quad (\text{A/m}). \quad (7.81)$$

By comparing Eq. (7.81) with the expression given in the problem statement,

$$\mathbf{H}(0, t) = \hat{\mathbf{y}} 100 \cos(2\pi \times 10^3 t + 15^\circ) \quad (\text{mA/m}),$$

we deduce that

$$22.5 |E_{x0}| = 100 \times 10^{-3}$$

or

$$|E_{x0}| = 4.44 \quad (\text{mV/m}),$$

and

$$\phi_0 - 45^\circ = 15^\circ \quad \text{or} \quad \phi_0 = 60^\circ.$$

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## Example 7-4: Plane Wave in Seawater

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Hence, the final expressions for  $\mathbf{E}(z, t)$  and  $\mathbf{H}(z, t)$  are

$$\mathbf{E}(z, t) = \hat{\mathbf{x}} 4.44 e^{-0.126z} \cos(2\pi \times 10^3 t - 0.126z + 60^\circ)$$

(mV/m), (7.82a)

$$\mathbf{H}(z, t) = \hat{\mathbf{y}} 100 e^{-0.126z} \cos(2\pi \times 10^3 t - 0.126z + 15^\circ)$$

(mA/m). (7.82b)

**(b)** The depth at which the amplitude of  $\mathbf{E}$  has decreased to 1% of its initial value at  $z = 0$  is obtained from

$$0.01 = e^{-0.126z}$$

or

$$z = \frac{\ln(0.01)}{-0.126} = 36.55 \text{ m} \approx 37 \text{ m.}$$

## Module 7.5 Wave Attenuation

$$t = 0.278T + 2T \quad \omega t = 100^\circ + 4\pi$$



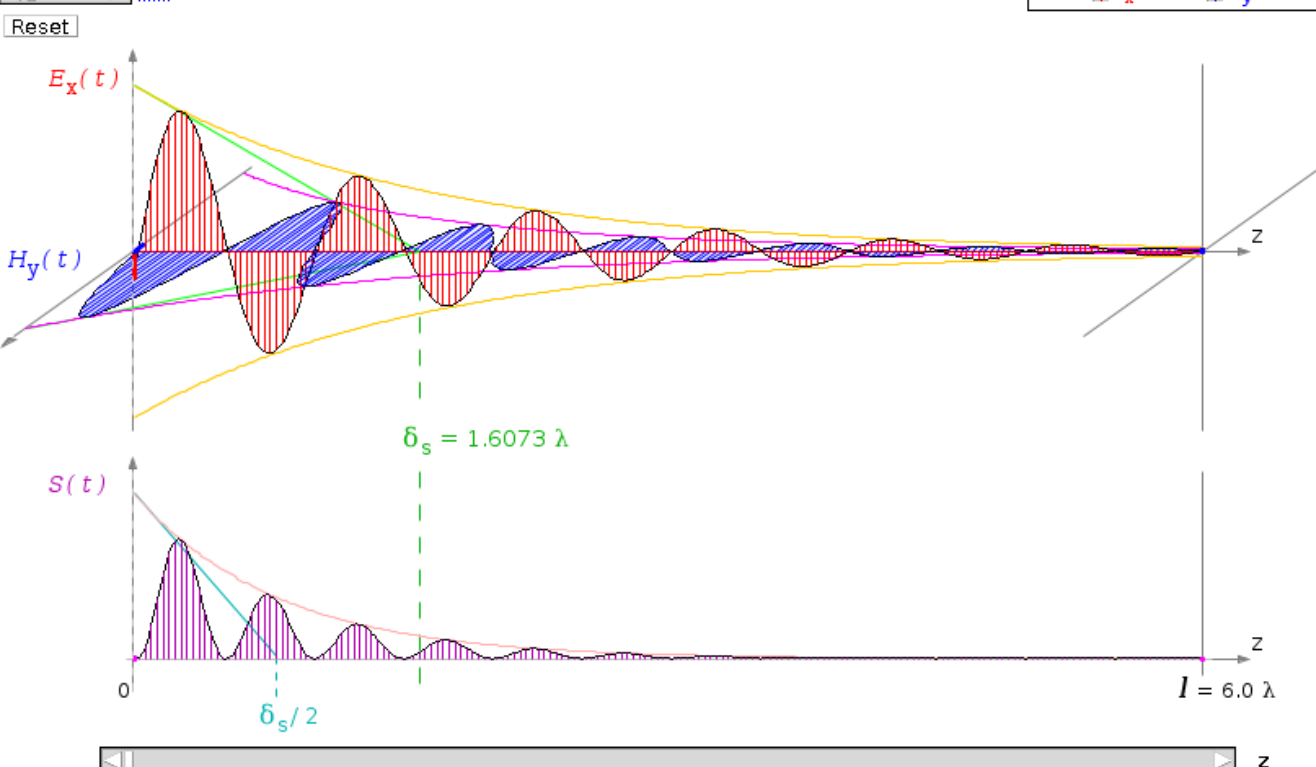
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## Examples

### Example 1 Slightly Lossy

$$E(z=0) = 10.0 \text{ [V/m]} \quad \sigma = 0.001 \text{ [S/m]} \quad \epsilon_r = 9.0$$

$$f = 10.0 \text{ MHz}$$

### Example 2 Moderately Lossy

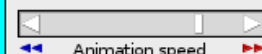
$$E(z=0) = 10.0 \text{ [V/m]} \quad \sigma = 0.01 \text{ [S/m]} \quad \epsilon_r = 9.0$$

$$f = 10.0 \text{ MHz}$$

### Example 3 Highly Lossy

$$E(z=0) = 10.0 \text{ [V/m]} \quad \sigma = 1.0 \text{ [S/m]} \quad \epsilon_r = 9.0$$

$$f = 10.0 \text{ MHz}$$



## Output

Fields

$$z = 0.0 \lambda = 0.0 \text{ [m]}$$

$$l = 6.0 \lambda = 59.70513 \text{ [m]}$$

$$\delta_S = 1.6073 \lambda = 15.9941 \text{ [m]}$$

### Phasors

$$|E(z)| = 10.0 \text{ [V/m]}$$

$$\angle E(z) = 0.0 \text{ [rad]}$$

$$|H(z)| = 8.03616 \times 10^{-2} \text{ [A/m]}$$

$$\angle H(z) = -0.0987 \text{ [rad]}$$

### Average Power Density

$$S_{av}(z) = 3.99852 \times 10^{-1} \text{ [W/m}^2\text{]}$$

# Power Density

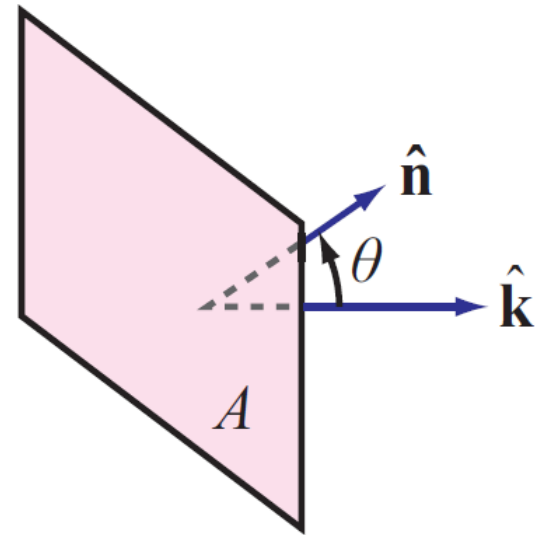
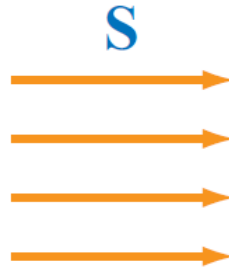
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Poynting vector:

$$\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H} \quad (\text{W/m}^2).$$

Total power intercepted by  $A$ :

$$P = \int_A \mathbf{S} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}} dA \quad (\text{W}).$$



Time-average power density:

$$\mathbf{S}_{\text{av}} = \frac{1}{2} \Re \left[ \tilde{\mathbf{E}} \times \tilde{\mathbf{H}}^* \right] \quad (\text{W/m}^2).$$



# Plane Wave in Lossless Medium

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For a plane wave with **E H** field :

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\mathbf{E}}(z) &= \hat{\mathbf{x}} \tilde{E}_x(z) + \hat{\mathbf{y}} \tilde{E}_y(z) & \tilde{\mathbf{H}}(z) &= (\hat{\mathbf{x}} \tilde{H}_x + \hat{\mathbf{y}} \tilde{H}_y) e^{-jkz} \\ &= (\hat{\mathbf{x}} \boxed{E_{x0}} + \hat{\mathbf{y}} \boxed{E_{y0}}) e^{-jkz}, & &= \frac{1}{\eta} \hat{\mathbf{z}} \times \tilde{\mathbf{E}} = \frac{1}{\eta} (-\hat{\mathbf{x}} E_{y0} + \hat{\mathbf{y}} E_{x0}) e^{-jkz}.\end{aligned}$$

  
Generally complex numbers

The time-average power density carried by the wave is:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{S}_{\text{av}} &= \hat{\mathbf{z}} \frac{1}{2\eta} (|E_{x0}|^2 + |E_{y0}|^2) \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{z}} \frac{|\tilde{\mathbf{E}}|^2}{2\eta} \quad (\text{W/m}^2),\end{aligned}$$

# Plane Wave in Lossy Medium

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For a plane wave travelling in a lossy medium:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}}(z) = \hat{\mathbf{x}} \tilde{E}_x(z) + \hat{\mathbf{y}} \tilde{E}_y(z)$$

$$= (\hat{\mathbf{x}} E_{x0} + \hat{\mathbf{y}} E_{y0}) e^{-\alpha z} e^{-j\beta z},$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{H}}(z) = \frac{1}{\eta_c} (-\hat{\mathbf{x}} E_{y0} + \hat{\mathbf{y}} E_{x0}) e^{-\alpha z} e^{-j\beta z},$$

If  $\vec{E} \times \vec{H}^*$  is complex, only the real part represents the real power that can flow with the wave propagation

the power density is :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{S}_{av}(z) &= \frac{1}{2} \Re [\tilde{\mathbf{E}} \times \tilde{\mathbf{H}}^*] \\ &= \frac{\hat{\mathbf{z}} (|E_{x0}|^2 + |E_{y0}|^2)}{2} e^{-2\alpha z} \Re \left[ \frac{1}{\eta_c^*} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

By expressing  $\eta_c$  in polar form as

$$\eta_c = |\eta_c| e^{j\theta_\eta},$$

$$\mathbf{S}_{av}(z) = \hat{\mathbf{z}} \frac{|\tilde{E}(0)|^2}{2|\eta_c|} e^{-2\alpha z} \cos \theta_\eta \quad (\text{W/m}^2)$$

Whereas the fields  $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}(z)$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}(z)$  decay with  $z$  as  $e^{-\alpha z}$ , the power density  $\mathbf{S}_{av}$  decreases as  $e^{-2\alpha z}$ .

### Example 7-6: Power Received by a Submarine Antenna

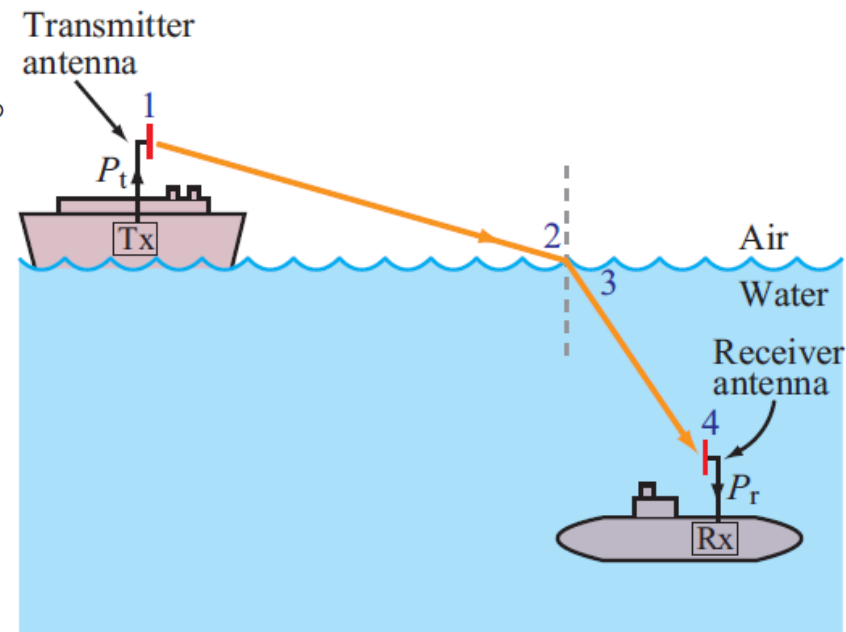
A submarine at a depth of 200 m below the sea surface uses a wire antenna to receive signal transmissions at 1 kHz. Determine the power density incident upon the submarine antenna due to the EM wave of Example 7-4.

**Solution:** From Example 7-4,  $|\vec{E}(0)| = |E_{x0}| = 4.44$  (mV/m),  $\alpha = 0.126$  (Np/m), and  $\eta_c = 0.044 \angle 45^\circ$  ( $\Omega$ ). Application of Eq. (7.109) gives

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{S}_{\text{av}}(z) &= \hat{\mathbf{z}} \frac{|E_0|^2}{2|\eta_c|} e^{-2\alpha z} \cos \theta_\eta \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{z}} \frac{(4.44 \times 10^{-3})^2}{2 \times 0.044} e^{-0.252z} \cos 45^\circ \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{z}} 0.16 e^{-0.252z} \quad (\text{mW/m}^2). \end{aligned}$$

At  $z = 200$  m, the incident power density is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{S}_{\text{av}} &= \hat{\mathbf{z}} (0.16 \times 10^{-3} e^{-0.252 \times 200}) \\ &= 2.1 \times 10^{-26} \quad (\text{W/m}^2). \end{aligned}$$



# Power Density of Different Polarization

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## Linear Polarization

$$\vec{E} = \hat{x}E_0e^{-jkz} \quad \vec{H} = \hat{y}\frac{E_0}{\eta_0}e^{-jkz}$$

$$\vec{S}_{av} = \frac{1}{2}\text{Re}[\vec{E} \times \vec{H}^*] = \hat{z} \frac{|E_0|^2}{2\eta_0}$$

## Circular Polarization

$$\vec{E} = E_0(\hat{x} + j\hat{y})e^{-jkz} \quad \vec{H} = \frac{E_0}{\eta_0}(\hat{y} - j\hat{x})e^{-jkz}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{S}_{av} &= \frac{1}{2}\text{Re}[\vec{E} \times \vec{H}^*] = \frac{E_0^2}{2\eta_0}\text{Re}[(\hat{x} + j\hat{y})e^{-jkz} \times (\hat{y} + j\hat{x})e^{jkz}] \\ &= \frac{E_0^2}{2\eta_0}\text{Re}[(\hat{x} + j\hat{y}) \times (\hat{y} + j\hat{x})] = \frac{E_0^2}{2\eta_0}\text{Re}[\hat{z} + \hat{z}] = \hat{z} \frac{|E_0|^2}{\eta_0} \end{aligned}$$

Total fields

# Summary

Homework due XXX

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## Chapter 7 Relationships

### Complex Permittivity

$$\varepsilon_c = \varepsilon' - j\varepsilon''$$

$$\varepsilon' = \varepsilon$$

$$\varepsilon'' = \frac{\sigma}{\omega}$$

### Lossless Medium

$$k = \omega\sqrt{\mu\varepsilon}$$

$$\eta = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\varepsilon}} \quad (\Omega)$$

$$u_p = \frac{\omega}{k} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\varepsilon}} \quad (\text{m/s})$$

$$\lambda = \frac{2\pi}{k} = \frac{u_p}{f} \quad (\text{m})$$

### Wave Polarization

$$\tilde{\mathbf{H}} = \frac{1}{\eta} \hat{\mathbf{k}} \times \tilde{\mathbf{E}}$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}} = -\eta \hat{\mathbf{k}} \times \tilde{\mathbf{H}}$$

### Maxwell's Equations for Time-Harmonic Fields

$$\nabla \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{E}} = 0$$

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

$$\nabla \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{H}} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \tilde{\mathbf{H}} = j\omega\varepsilon_c\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$$

### Lossy Medium

$$\alpha = \omega \left\{ \frac{\mu\varepsilon'}{2} \left[ \sqrt{1 + \left( \frac{\varepsilon''}{\varepsilon'} \right)^2} - 1 \right] \right\}^{1/2} \quad (\text{Np/m})$$

$$\beta = \omega \left\{ \frac{\mu\varepsilon'}{2} \left[ \sqrt{1 + \left( \frac{\varepsilon''}{\varepsilon'} \right)^2} + 1 \right] \right\}^{1/2} \quad (\text{rad/m})$$

$$\eta_c = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\varepsilon_c}} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\varepsilon'}} \left( 1 - j \frac{\varepsilon''}{\varepsilon'} \right)^{-1/2} \quad (\Omega)$$

$$\delta_s = \frac{1}{\alpha} \quad (\text{m})$$

### Power Density

$$\mathbf{S}_{\text{av}} = \frac{1}{2} \Re \left[ \tilde{\mathbf{E}} \times \tilde{\mathbf{H}}^* \right] \quad (\text{W/m}^2)$$