

1. Here we can use the result developed in the solution of problem 7.4. Recall in the setting of problem 7.4, the metal medium has a complex permittivity

$$\tilde{\epsilon}' = \epsilon' + \frac{i\sigma}{\omega} \quad (1)$$

and we have calculated the real and imaginary part of the transmitted wave vector for normal incidence

$$k_R'^2 = \frac{k^2}{2} \left(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon_0} \right) \left[\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\sigma}{\omega\epsilon'} \right)^2} + 1 \right] = \frac{k^2}{2} \left(\frac{|\tilde{\epsilon}'|}{\epsilon_0} + \frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon_0} \right) \quad (2)$$

$$k_I'^2 = \frac{k^2}{2} \left(\frac{|\tilde{\epsilon}'|}{\epsilon_0} - \frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon_0} \right) \quad (3)$$

On the other hand, if we separate the complex index of refraction into real and imaginary parts,

$$\tilde{n}' = n_R' + in_I' \quad (4)$$

we must have

$$n_R'^2 - n_I'^2 = \text{Re } \tilde{n}'^2 = \frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon_0} \quad n_R'^2 + n_I'^2 = |\tilde{n}'|^2 = \frac{|\tilde{\epsilon}'|}{\epsilon_0} \quad (5)$$

Thus we can write k_R', k_I' in terms of n_R', n_I'

$$k_R' = kn_R' \quad k_I' = kn_I' \quad (6)$$

By problem 7.4, the reflected wave's amplitude is

$$\frac{E_0''}{E_0} = \frac{1 - k_z'/k}{1 + k_z'/k} \quad (7)$$

where $k_z' = k_R' + ik_I'$. This gives

$$R = \frac{|E_0''|^2}{|E_0|^2} = \left| \frac{1 - \tilde{n}'}{1 + \tilde{n}'} \right|^2 \quad (8)$$

and hence

$$T = 1 - R = \frac{4n_R'}{|1 + \tilde{n}'|^2} \quad (9)$$

2. Let $\hat{\mathbf{z}}$ be the direction of the incident and transmitted wave vector \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' , and let the boundary be the $z = 0$ plane. Without loss of generality, let $\mathbf{E}_0 = \hat{\mathbf{y}}E_0$.

In the half space $z < 0$, we have

$$\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{D}^* = \epsilon_0 |E_0|^2 \quad \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{H}^* = \left(\frac{\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E}_0}{\omega} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E}_0}{\omega\mu} \right)^* = \frac{k^2}{\omega^2\mu} |E_0|^2 = \epsilon_0 |E_0|^2 \quad (10)$$

which means the rate of change per volume is zero for $z < 0$.

On the other hand, for $z > 0$

$$\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{D}^* = (\hat{\mathbf{y}}E_0' e^{-k_I'z} e^{ik_R'x}) \cdot (\tilde{\epsilon}' \hat{\mathbf{y}}E_0' e^{-k_I'z} e^{ik_R'x})^* = \tilde{\epsilon}'^* |E_0'|^2 e^{-2k_I'z} \quad (11)$$

$$\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{H}^* = \left(\frac{\mathbf{k}' \times \mathbf{E}_0'}{\omega} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{\mathbf{k}' \times \mathbf{E}_0'}{\omega\mu} \right)^* = \frac{k_z' k_z'^*}{\omega^2\mu} |E_0'|^2 e^{-2k_I'z} \quad (12)$$

When we calculate the rate of rate for the energy density

$$\frac{\partial u(z)}{\partial t} = \text{Re} \left[i\omega \left(\frac{\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{D}^* - \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{H}^*}{2} \right) \right] \quad (13)$$

the magnetic term (12) is real hence has no contribution, which leaves

$$\frac{\partial u(z)}{\partial t} = \frac{\omega}{2} |E'_0|^2 e^{-2k'_I z} \cdot \text{Im } \tilde{\epsilon}' \quad (14)$$

Integrating (14) from $z \rightarrow \infty$ gives the total power above the unit area:

$$P' = \int_0^z \frac{\partial u(z)}{\partial t} dz = \frac{\omega}{4k'_I} |E'_0|^2 \text{Im } \tilde{\epsilon}' = \frac{\omega}{4kn'_I} |E'_0|^2 (2\epsilon_0 n'_R n'_I) = \frac{\sqrt{\epsilon_0/\mu_0} n'_R |E'_0|^2}{2} \quad (15)$$

The incident energy flux is

$$\text{Re} \left(\frac{\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}^*}{2} \right) = \frac{\sqrt{\epsilon_0/\mu_0} |E_0|^2}{2} \hat{\mathbf{z}} \quad (16)$$

which gives the ratio of transmitted power to the influx power

$$T = n'_R \frac{|E'_0|^2}{|E_0|^2} \quad (17)$$

From solution to problem 7.4

$$\frac{|E'_0|^2}{|E_0|^2} = \frac{4}{|1 + \tilde{n}'|^2} \quad (18)$$

which shows that (17) recovers the earlier calculation (9).

3. In the limit of large σ , problem 7.5 has shown that

$$k'_R = k'_I \approx \frac{1}{\delta} \quad \Rightarrow \quad n'_R = n'_I \approx \frac{1}{k\delta} \quad (19)$$

Then by (14) the rate of density change

$$\frac{\partial u(z)}{\partial t} = \frac{\omega}{2} |E'_0|^2 e^{-2k'_I z} (2\epsilon_0 n'_R n'_I) = \left(\frac{1}{\omega \mu_0 \delta^2} \right) |E'_0|^2 e^{-2k'_I z} \quad (20)$$

The dependency of T on δ has been calculated in problem 7.4 part (b), i.e., $T \approx 2\omega\delta/c$. Also by (14)

$$\frac{\partial u(z)}{\partial t} = \frac{\omega}{2} |E'_0|^2 e^{-2k'_I z} \cdot \text{Im } \tilde{\epsilon}' = \frac{\sigma}{2} |E'_0|^2 e^{-2k'_I z} = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{J}(z) \cdot \mathbf{E}'^*(z) \quad (21)$$

This indicates that all the transmitted energy is converted into heat.