

Problem Set 2: Phys 256 Fall 2012

**Submit online or Place in Phys 256 box, Physics 2nd floor Friday September 28th at 4pm
Total marks 91**

- 1) Do 3.7 a), b), c). The wave has a wavelength of 550nm. **8 marks** In part d), write $E(r,t)$ and $B(r,t)$ **4 marks**. Assume that the fields are zero at $y=0$ and $t=0$.
e) Calculate the flux density and energy density. **4 marks**
- 2) Write an expression in Cartesian coordinates for a harmonic plane **E** wave with $E_x=0$, with a frequency $\omega=3 \times 10^{15} \text{ s}^{-1}$, $k=1 \times 10^7 \text{ m}^{-1}$, for which k is along a line from the origin through the point (1,-1,2). **5 marks**

3) For $E = (0.866 \hat{i} + 0.5 \hat{j})(3 \times 10^3 \text{ V/m}) \exp[i[1.114 \times 10^7](z - 2 \times 10^8 t)]$

Assume SI units.

- a) Find the direction along which the electric field oscillates; **2 marks**
b) the scalar value of the amplitude of the electric field; **1 mark**
c) the direction of propagation of the wave; **1 mark**
d) the propagation constant and wavelength; **2 marks**
e) the speed and refractive index of the medium; **2 marks**
f) the frequency and angular frequency; **2 marks**
g) the direction of oscillation of the magnetic field and its direction of propagation. **3 marks**
- 4) a) **3.19 2 marks**
b) What is the energy density and pressure of the pulse? **2 marks**
c) If the peak wavelength is 800nm, what is the length of the pulse in space? **2 marks**
d) What is the total energy of the pulse assuming a single wavelength and a diameter of $2 \mu\text{m}$? **2 marks**
e) What is the force applied on a reflecting surface? **2 marks**
f) What momentum is carried per unit volume of the wave? **2 marks**
g) What momentum is transferred by the pulse to a reflecting surface? **2 marks**
h) Calculate the power of the pulse. **2 marks**
- 5) **3.38 4 marks**
- 6) **3.39 2 marks**
- 7) **3.40 2 marks**
- 8) a) **3.44 4 marks**
b) If a parallel, adjacent wave traverses the vacuum, what is the phase difference between them when the first one exits the glass? Will the two waves interfere constructively or destructively? **5 marks**

9) a) Add these two fields together in a phasor diagrams for $\varepsilon=0$ (in phase) and $\varepsilon=\pi$ (out of phase) in order to find $\vec{E}_T(\vec{r},t) = \vec{E}_0 e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t + \varphi)}$

$$\vec{E}_1(\vec{r},t) = \vec{E}_{01} e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)}$$

$$\vec{E}_2(\vec{r},t) = \vec{E}_{02} e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t + \varepsilon)}$$

9 marks

b) Given that irradiance, $I \propto E_0^2$, show that, in the first case, $I \propto (E_{01} + E_{02})^2$ and in the second case, $I \propto (E_{01} - E_{02})^2$. By writing out the expression for $I_1 + I_2$, show that in both cases, I is **not equal to** $I_1 + I_2$. **4 marks**

c) Draw the general phasor diagram for a phase difference of ε . In this case, $I = I_1 + I_2 + I_{12}$. **6 marks**

d) From the diagram, give a value of I_{12} in terms of E_{01} , E_{02} and ε , the phase difference. **5 marks**