# 6.630 Solution to Problem Set 4

#### Solution P4.1

Combine  $\overline{\overline{\epsilon}}$  and  $\overline{\overline{\sigma}}$  to form a new permittivity tensor

$$\overline{\overline{\epsilon}_c} = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon + i\frac{\sigma}{\omega} & 0 & 0\\ 0 & \epsilon + i\frac{\sigma}{\omega} & 0\\ 0 & 0 & \epsilon_z + i\frac{\sigma_z}{\omega} \end{pmatrix}$$

This is a uniaxial medium. For a wave propagating in  $\hat{x}$  direction, we need to consider two cases: (1) Oridanary wave,  $k^{(o)} = \omega \sqrt{\mu_o(\epsilon + i\frac{\sigma}{\omega})}$ ; (2) Extraordinary wave,  $k^{(e)} = \omega \sqrt{\mu_o(\epsilon_z + i\frac{\sigma_z}{\omega})}$ .

The extraordinary wave is polarized in  $\hat{z}$  direction while the ordinary wave is polarized in  $\hat{y}$  direction. Since  $\sigma_z$  is much larger than  $\sigma$ , extraordinary wave will decay much faster. So the wave coming out of a piece of polaroid will be only  $\hat{y}$  polarized.

### Solution P4.2

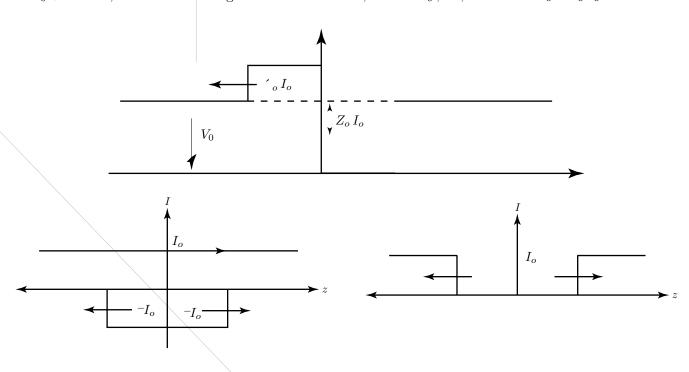
- (a)  $\alpha = 1, \ \beta = \pi/2$
- (b) The  $\hat{x}$  polarized wave is an ordinary wave.  $k_y = \omega \sqrt{\mu_o 4\epsilon_o} = 2k_o$
- (c) Let  $(k^{(o)} k^{(e)})d = \pi + 2n\pi$ . The minimum d to satisfy this condition is  $\lambda_o/2$

## Solution P4.3

### (a) Method 1

First, consider the transmission line right of the break point. When the break occurs,  $I_r = I_0 + I_+ = 0$ , where  $I_+$  is the generated current. So,  $I_+ = -I_0$ , So,  $V_+ = I_+ Z_o = -I_o Z_o$ 

Then, consider the transmission line left of the break point. When the break occurs,  $I_l = I_0 + I_- = 0$ , where  $I_-$  is the generated current. So,  $I_- = -I_0$ , So,  $V_- = -I_- Z_o = I_o Z_o$ 



## (a) Method 2

Consider the situation before the break occurs. In general there are two waves on the line, one propagating in the positive z-direction and one propagating in the negative z-direction.

$$V(z) = V_o = V_+ + V_-$$
  
 $I(z) = I_o = \frac{1}{Z_o}(V_+ - V_-)$ 

Solving for  $V_+$  and  $V_-$  we get,

$$V_{+} = \frac{1}{2}(V_{o} + Z_{o}I_{o})$$
  
$$V_{-} = \frac{1}{2}(V_{o} - Z_{o}I_{o})$$

At the point of the break there is an open circuit at which the  $V_+$  and  $V_-$  waves will be reflected generating  $V'_- = \Gamma V_+$  and  $V'_+ = \Gamma V_-$  respectively, where  $\Gamma = 1$ .

To determine the current, we can use the above analysis to relate,  $V'_{+}$  to  $I'_{+}$  and  $V'_{-}$  to  $I'_{-}$ .

(b) The current,  $I_o$  can be found from

$$P_{dc} = I_o V_o = 1 \times 10^9 W$$
  
 $\Rightarrow I_o = \frac{1 \times 10^9}{6 \times 10^5} = \frac{1}{6} \times 10^4 A$ 

The peak voltage is then given by,

$$V_{peak} = V_o + Z_o I_o = 1433 \text{ kV}$$

# Solution P4.4

(a) We can find the length of the transmission by,

$$\ell = \frac{(3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s})(10^{-8} \text{ s})}{2} = 1.5 \text{m}$$

(b) Since the transmission line extends to infinity, we can terminate the line with an impedance of  $Z_0$  without introducing reflection. The terminal load, instead of  $R_f$ , becomes  $Z_L = R_f || Z_0$ 

Since 
$$V = V_{+}(1 + \Gamma_{L})$$
  
 $V = 0.25 \text{V}$   $V_{+} = 0.5 \text{V}$   
Hence  $\Gamma_{L} = -\frac{1}{2} = \frac{Z_{L} - Z_{0}}{Z_{L} + Z_{0}}$   
 $Z_{L} = \frac{1}{3} Z_{0}, \quad \frac{R_{L} Z_{0}}{R_{L} + Z_{0}} = \frac{Z_{0}}{3}$   
 $R_{L} = \frac{Z_{0}}{2}$ 

