

Structure of matter: Homework to exercise 4

Electrical and optical properties of continuous media

Due on November 2nd 2023 at noon

Please indicate your name on the solution sheets and send it to your seminar leader!

- Multiple-choice test: Please tick the **box(es)** with the correct answer(s)!
(correctly ticked box: +1/2 point; wrongly ticked box: -1/2 point)

The wavenumber $\nu = 5000\text{cm}^{-1}$ corresponds to a wavelength $\nu = \frac{1}{\lambda} \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{1}{\nu} = \frac{1}{5000}\text{cm} = 2 \times 10^{-6}\text{m} = 2\mu\text{m}$	5000nm	
	2000nm	✓
	2μm	✓
The refractive index of a material is	dimensionless	✓
	given in s^{-1}	
	given in cm^{-1}	

- True or wrong? Make your decision!

(2 points): 1 point per correct decision, 0 points per wrong or no decision

Assertion	true	wrong
In linear optics, electromagnetic energy dissipation occurs when the imaginary part of the dielectric function is larger than zero	✓	
All dielectrics have negative refractive indices.		✓

- Let a material have the absorption coefficient α . Which path must be travelled by the electromagnetic wave in order to reduce its intensity down to 10%? (2 points)
- Find an expression for the electric field inside a homogeneously polarized dielectric sphere located in vacuum!
Note: The task is easily solved when regarding the single polarized sphere as a superposition of two homogeneously charged spheres with slightly shifted central points. (6 points)
- Find an expression for the static polarizability of a spherical particle located in vacuum with radius R , built from a dielectric material with the static dielectric constant ϵ_{stat} . Also, consider the case of a metal sphere, formally replacing ϵ_{stat} by $\epsilon \rightarrow -\infty$. Basing on the expression for the static polarizability of the metal sphere, estimate the polarizability of a fictive atom, assuming the latter as a sphere with a radius equal to 0.05nm. (6 points)

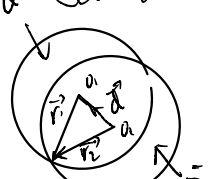
$$3. I = I_0 e^{-\alpha z} \quad I = 10\% I_0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{10} I_0 = I_0 e^{-\alpha z} \Rightarrow e^{-\alpha z} = \frac{1}{10} \Rightarrow \alpha z = \ln 10 \Rightarrow z = \frac{\ln 10}{\alpha}$$

$$4. \vec{E} = \frac{\vec{F}}{q} \quad \vec{F} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Qq\vec{r}}{r^3} \Rightarrow \vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{Q\vec{r}}{r^3} \quad Q = \frac{4}{3}\pi R^3 \rho$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E} = \frac{\rho \vec{r}}{3\epsilon_0} \quad \rho \text{ is charge volume density}$$

Then: α^* Let the distance of the slightly shifted central points is \vec{d} , and sphere O_1 is full of positive charges and sphere O_2 is full of negative charges

The $\vec{E}_1 = \frac{\rho \vec{r}_1}{3\epsilon_0}$ $\vec{E}_2 = -\frac{\rho \vec{r}_2}{3\epsilon_0}$ $\vec{E} = \vec{E}_1 + \vec{E}_2 = \frac{\rho \vec{r}_1}{3\epsilon_0} + (-\frac{\rho \vec{r}_2}{3\epsilon_0}) = \frac{\rho}{3\epsilon_0} (\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2) = \frac{-\rho \vec{d}}{3\epsilon_0} = -\frac{\rho \vec{d}}{3\epsilon_0}$



$$\vec{j} = q n_e v_D \quad m = 63.5 u = \frac{63.5}{1836} g = 63.5 \times 1.66 \times 10^{-24} g$$

$$I = \pi r^2 \vec{j} = \pi r^2 q n_e v_D \quad n_e = \frac{\rho}{m} = \frac{8.93 g/cm^3}{63.5 \times 1.66 \times 10^{-24} g}$$

$$6. \Rightarrow v_D = \frac{I}{\pi r^2 q n_e} \Rightarrow v_D = \frac{1 A \cdot 63.5 \times 1.66 \times 10^{-24} g}{\pi \cdot 14 \times 10^{-8} cm^2 \cdot 1.602 \times 10^{-19} C \cdot 8.93 g \cdot cm^{-3}} = 35328 \times 10^{-5} cm/s$$

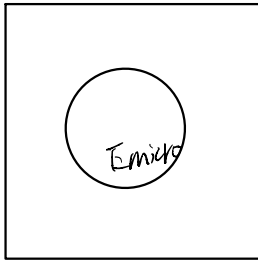
$$= 3.5328 \times 10^{-5} m/s \approx 0.127 m/h$$

$$v_D < v_{snail} = 3 m/h$$

Assume a current $I = 1A$ flowing through a copper wire with a diameter d of $1.63mm$. Estimate the drift velocity of the electrons, assuming that there is approximately 1 free electron per copper atom, a mass density of $\rho = 8.93 g/cm^3$, and a mass number of copper of 63.5. Note that the Roman snail in the figure moves with a velocity of approximately 3 meters per hour. Is the drift velocity of the conduction electron higher or smaller than the propagation velocity of the Roman snail? (6 points)



5.



$$d = \epsilon_0 P_{stat} \vec{E}_{micro} \quad Nd = P = N \epsilon_0 P_{stat} \vec{E}_{micro}$$

$$E_{micro} = E - E_{sphere} = E + \frac{P}{3\epsilon_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow P = N \epsilon_0 P_{stat} E + \frac{N \epsilon_0 P_{stat} P}{3\epsilon_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(1 - \frac{NP_{stat}}{3}\right) P = N \epsilon_0 P_{stat} E \quad P = \epsilon_0 (\epsilon_{stat} - 1) E$$

$$(\epsilon_{stat} - 1) - \frac{1}{3} NP_{stat} (\epsilon_{stat} - 1) = NP_{stat}$$

$$\Rightarrow NP_{stat} \left(1 + \frac{1}{3} \epsilon_{stat} - \frac{1}{3}\right) = \epsilon_{stat} - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow P_{stat} = \frac{3(\epsilon_{stat} - 1)}{N(2 + \epsilon_{stat})}$$

Metal sphere: $P_{stat} = \frac{3}{N} \quad N = \frac{n}{V} \quad n$ is the number of free e^-

fictive atom $\Rightarrow P_{stat} = \frac{3}{n} V = \frac{4\pi R^3}{n} = \frac{1.57}{n} \times 10^{-30} m$

a fictive atom $\Rightarrow n=1 \Rightarrow P = 1.57 \times 10^{-30}$

Orbital Polarization

$$\text{Re}(\epsilon) = 1 + \frac{\chi_{\text{stat}}}{1 + \omega^2 \tau^2} \rightarrow \text{Drude's formula}$$

$$\text{Im}(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{\pi} \text{VP} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{[\text{Re}(\epsilon(\omega')) - 1]}{\omega' - \omega} d\omega' \rightarrow \text{Kramers-Kronig relation}$$

↓ Cauchy's principle function

$$\omega' = \omega \quad \text{Re}(\epsilon(\omega)) - 1 = \frac{\chi_{\text{stat}}}{1 + \omega^2 \tau^2} \quad \text{Im}(\epsilon(\omega)) = -\frac{\chi_{\text{stat}}}{\pi} \text{VP} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega'}{(\omega' - \omega)(1 + \omega'^2 \tau^2)}$$

$$x = \tau \omega' \Rightarrow \text{Im}(\epsilon(\omega)) = -\frac{\chi_{\text{stat}}}{\pi} \text{VP} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(x - \omega\tau)(1 + x^2)} = -\frac{\chi_{\text{stat}}}{\pi} \lim_{A \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{B \rightarrow 0} \left[\int_{-A}^{\omega(-B)} \frac{dx}{(x - \omega\tau)(1 + x^2)} + \int_{\omega\tau + B}^A \frac{dx}{(x - \omega\tau)(1 + x^2)} \right]$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{(x+b)(x^2+a^2)} = \frac{1}{a^2+b^2} \left[\ln|x+b| - \frac{1}{2} \ln|x^2+a^2| + \frac{b}{a} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Im}(\epsilon(\omega)) = \underbrace{-\frac{\chi_{\text{stat}} \omega \tau}{\pi(1 + \omega^2 \tau^2)} \lim_{A \rightarrow \infty} [\tan^{-1}(-A) - \tan^{-1}(A)]}_{\text{D}} - \underbrace{\frac{\chi_{\text{stat}}}{\pi(1 + \omega^2 \tau^2)} \lim_{B \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \frac{(\omega\tau + B)^2 + 1}{(\omega\tau - B)^2 + 1} \right| + \omega\tau [\tan^{-1}(\omega\tau + B) - \tan^{-1}(\omega\tau - B)] \right]}_{\text{D} \rightarrow 0}$$

$$\text{D} \quad \lim_{A \rightarrow \infty} \tan^{-1}(A) = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \tan^{-1}(-A) = -\tan^{-1}(A) \quad B \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \text{D}$$

$$\text{D} \quad \text{Im}(\epsilon(\omega)) = \frac{-\chi_{\text{stat}} \omega \tau}{\pi(1 + \omega^2 \tau^2)} (-\pi) = \frac{\chi_{\text{stat}} \omega \tau}{(1 + \omega^2 \tau^2)}$$

$$v_{ph} = \frac{\omega}{k} \quad v_g = \frac{d\omega}{dk}$$

$$R = \left| \frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2} \right|^2 = \frac{v_2 - v_1}{v_1 + v_2}$$