

Q1

The problem gives the following values for the variables:

Wavelength: $\lambda = 632 \text{ nm}$

Beam area: $A = 4 \text{ mm}^2 = 4 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2$

Average power: $P = 30 \text{ } \mu\text{W} = 30 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ W}$

Electric field: $E = E_0 \sin(kx - \omega t)$

(a) The power density (W/m^2) can be found from the magnitude of the Poynting vector,

$$\vec{S} = \epsilon_0 c^2 \vec{E} \times \vec{B}:$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{S} &= \epsilon_0 c^2 (\vec{E} \cdot \sin(kx - \omega t)) (\vec{B} \cdot \sin(kx - \omega t)) \\ |\vec{S}| &= \epsilon_0 c^2 E_0 B_0 \sin^2(kx - \omega t)\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{where } \omega = \frac{2\pi c}{\lambda}$$

Choosing the location of the specimen to be at $x = 0$:

$$\begin{aligned}|\vec{S}| &= \epsilon_0 c^2 E_0 B_0 \sin^2(kx - \omega t) \\ &= \epsilon_0 c^2 E_0 B_0 (-1)^2 \sin^2(\omega t) \\ \Rightarrow |\vec{S}| &= \epsilon_0 c^2 E_0 B_0 \sin^2(\omega t)\end{aligned}$$

The average irradiance is $I = \frac{P}{A}$

$$\text{but } I = \langle |\vec{S}| \rangle = \epsilon_0 c \langle E_0 B_0 \sin^2(\omega t) \rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 c E_0^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{P}{A} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 c E_0^2$$

$$\therefore E_0 = \sqrt{\frac{2P}{A \epsilon_0 c}}$$

$$\rightarrow |\vec{S}| = \epsilon_0 c \cdot \frac{2P}{A \epsilon_0 c} \sin^2(\omega t)$$

$$\therefore |\vec{S}| = \frac{2P}{A} \sin^2(\omega t)$$

The following is the graph of the power density received by the specimen as a function of time from the moment the beam is turned on out to a time of 10 fs ($10 \cdot 10^{-15}$ seconds):

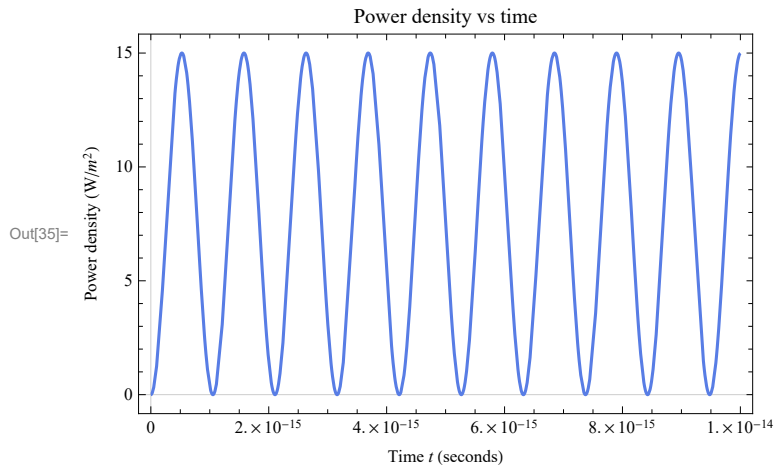
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In[33]:= (* assign values to the variables *)
P = 30 * 10-6; A = 4 * 10-6; omega =  $\frac{(3 * 10^8) * (2 * \text{Pi})}{(632 * 10^{-9})}$ ;
epsilon0 = 8.85 * 10-12; c = 3 * 108; E0 = ((2 * P) / (A * epsilon0 * c)) ^ 0.5;

(* define the function for the power density (magnitude of the Poynting vector) *)
S = (2 * P / A) * (Sin[omega * t]) ^ 2; (* where t = time*)

(* plot the graph *)
Plot[S, {t, 0, 10 * 10-15}, FrameLabel -> {"Time t (seconds)", "Power density (W/m2)"},
PlotTheme -> {"Scientific", "BoldColor"}, PlotLabel -> "Power density vs time"]

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(b) The time averaged Poynting vector of the sample is the irradiance, and it is the following:

$$I = \langle |\vec{S}| \rangle = \epsilon_0 c E_0^2 \langle \sin^2(\omega t) \rangle$$

The average of a function is given by: $\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx$, so

$$I = \epsilon_0 c E_0^2 \cdot \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \sin^2(\omega s) ds$$

(i) For $\Delta t = 0$:

$$I = \epsilon_0 c E_0^2 \cdot \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \sin^2(\omega s) ds \right) = 0 // \text{Answer}$$

The code is as follows:

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In[27]:= (* assign values to the variables *)
P = 30 * 10^-6; A = 4 * 10^-6; omega =  $\frac{(3 * 10^8) * (2 * \text{Pi})}{(632 * 10^{-9})}$ ;
epsilon0 = 8.85 * 10^-12; c = 3 * 10^8; E0 = ((2 * P) / (A * epsilon0 * c))^0.5;

(* define the integral of function to be averaged *)
int = (epsilon0 * c * E0^2) * Integrate[(Sin[omega * s])^2, {s, 0, t}];

(* find the limit as delta_t approaches 0 of
the average of the function inside the integral (int) *)
Limit[int/t, t -> 0]

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Out[29]= 0.

(ii) For $\Delta t = \infty$:

$$I = \epsilon_0 c E_0^2 \cdot \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \sin^2(\omega s) ds \right) = 7.5 \text{ W/m}^2 // \text{ Answer}$$

The code is as follows:

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In[24]:= (* assign values to the variables *)
P = 30 * 10^-6; A = 4 * 10^-6; omega =  $\frac{(3 * 10^8) * (2 * \text{Pi})}{(632 * 10^{-9})}$ ;
epsilon0 = 8.85 * 10^-12; c = 3 * 10^8; E0 = ((2 * P) / (A * epsilon0 * c))^0.5;

(* define the integral of function to be averaged *)
int = (epsilon0 * c * E0^2) * Integrate[(Sin[omega * s])^2, {s, 0, t}];

(* find the limit as delta_t approaches Infinity
of the average of the function inside the integral (int) *)
Limit[int/t, t -> Infinity]

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Out[26]= 7.5

(c) To calculate the average irradiance, we have to determine the same irradiance I as a function of the change in time:

$I = \langle |\vec{S}| \rangle = \epsilon_0 c E_0^2 \langle \sin^2(\omega t) \rangle$. Using the equation for the average of a function $\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx$, we get:

$$I = \epsilon_0 c E_0^2 \cdot \frac{1}{\Delta t} \int_0^{\Delta t} \sin^2(\omega \cdot s) ds$$

Do the substitution $\omega s = u \Rightarrow ds = du/\omega$:

$$I = \epsilon_0 c E_0^2 \cdot \frac{1}{\omega \cdot \Delta t} \int_{u=0}^{u=\omega \cdot \Delta t} \sin^2(u) du$$

Define $T \equiv \omega \cdot \Delta t$:

$$I = \epsilon_0 c E_0^2 \cdot \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \sin^2(u) du$$

Using $E_0^2 = \frac{2 \cdot P}{A \epsilon_0 c}$:

$$I = \frac{2 \cdot P}{A} \cdot \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \sin^2(u) du$$

The following code does the integration and graphing:

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In[36]:= (* assign values to the variables *)
P = 30 * 10-6; A = 4 * 10-6; omega =  $\frac{(3 * 10^8) * (2 * \text{Pi})}{(632 * 10^{-9})}$ ;
epsilon0 = 8.85 * 10-12; c = 3 * 108; E0 = ((2 * P) / (A * epsilon0 * c)) ^ 0.5;

(* compute the integration of the average irradiance *)

(* define the the integral of the function to be averaged *)
int = (2 * P / A) * Integrate[(Sin[u])^2, {u, 0, T}];

(* compute the average of the function inside the integral (int) and plot *)
LogLinearPlot[int / T, {T, 0, 100},
  FrameLabel -> {"T = ω · Δt (radians)", "Average Irradiance (W/m²)"},
  PlotTheme -> {"Scientific", "BoldColor"},
  PlotLabel -> "Average irradiance vs change in time"]
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