

Phys273 - Final

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1 Problem 1

1.1 Part a

Define $f(\omega)$

$$\begin{aligned} f(\omega) &= \frac{(\gamma\omega)^2}{[(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2 + (\gamma\omega)^2]} \\ &= \frac{1}{\frac{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2}{(\gamma\omega)^2} + 1} \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

At FWHM $f(\omega) = \frac{1}{2}$, therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\frac{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2}{(\gamma\omega)^2} + 1} &= \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2}{(\gamma\omega)^2} + 1 &= 2 \\ \frac{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2}{(\gamma\omega)^2} &= 1 \\ (\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2 &= (\gamma\omega)^2 \\ \omega_0^2 - \omega^2 &= \pm\gamma\omega \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

Define system of equations:

$$\omega_0^2 - \omega_1^2 = \gamma\omega_1 \text{ and } \omega_0^2 - \omega_2^2 = -\gamma\omega_2 \tag{3}$$

Using elimination to solve for γ

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma &= \omega_2 - \omega_1 \\ &= 0.25\omega_0 \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

We know solution for damped, driven oscillators at steady state

$$x_p = A_p \cos(\omega t + \phi) \tag{5}$$

$$A_p = \frac{F}{\sqrt{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2 + (\gamma\omega)^2}} \quad (6)$$

Where $F = \frac{F_d}{m}$ and $F_d = F_0 \cos \omega t$

$$\begin{aligned} \tan \phi &= -\frac{\gamma\omega}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2} \\ \gamma &= \frac{\omega_0}{4} \\ &= \frac{\omega_0\omega}{4(\omega^2 - \omega_0^2)} \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

1.2 Part b

For damped oscillator

$$\begin{aligned} F_{\text{net}} &= F_{\text{spring}} + F_{\text{damping}} \\ &= -kx + -b\dot{x} \\ m\ddot{x} &= -kx + -b\dot{x} \\ \ddot{x} &= -\omega_0^2 x + -\gamma\dot{x} \\ \ddot{x} + \gamma\dot{x} + \omega_0^2 x &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

Assume solution of $x = ce^{\alpha t}$

$$x = ce^{\alpha t} \quad (9)$$

$$\dot{x} = c\alpha e^{\alpha t} \quad (10)$$

$$\ddot{x} = c\alpha^2 e^{\alpha t} \quad (11)$$

Sub into equation

$$\begin{aligned} c\alpha^2 e^{\alpha t} + \gamma c\alpha e^{\alpha t} + \omega_0^2 c e^{\alpha t} &= 0 \\ \alpha^2 + \gamma\alpha + \omega_0^2 &= 0 \\ \text{Since } c = 0 \text{ is trivial} \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Underdamped oscillator $\gamma < 2\omega_0$

$$\begin{aligned} c\alpha^2 e^{\alpha t} + \gamma c\alpha e^{\alpha t} + \omega_0^2 c e^{\alpha t} &= 0 \\ \alpha^2 + \gamma\alpha + \omega_0^2 &= 0 \\ \text{Since } c = 0 \text{ is trivial} \\ \alpha &= \frac{-\gamma \pm \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 4\omega_0^2}}{2} \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

Define ω_u

$$\omega_u = \omega_0 \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{\gamma}{2\omega_0}\right)^2} \quad (14)$$

α has two solutions and is complex

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_1 &= \frac{-\gamma}{2} + i\omega_u \\ \alpha_2 &= \frac{-\gamma}{2} - i\omega_u\end{aligned}\tag{15}$$

X has 2 independent solutions

$$X = x_1 + x_2\tag{16}$$

$$x_1 = c_1 e^{\alpha_1 t}$$

$$x_2 = c_2 e^{\alpha_2 t}$$

$$\begin{aligned}X &= c_1 e^{\alpha_1 t} + c_2 e^{\alpha_2 t} \\ &= c_1 e^{\frac{-\gamma}{2} + i\omega_u t} + c_2 e^{\frac{-\gamma}{2} - i\omega_u t}\end{aligned}\tag{17}$$

X must be real

$$x_1 = \bar{x}_2$$

$$c_1 = \bar{c}_2$$

$$\begin{aligned}X &= e^{-\frac{\gamma}{2}t} [c_0 e^{i(\omega_u t + \phi)} + c_0 e^{-i(\omega_u t + \phi)}] \\ &= 2c_0 e^{-\frac{\gamma}{2}t} \cos(\omega_u t + \phi) \\ &= A e^{-\frac{\gamma}{2}t} \cos(\omega_u t + \phi)\end{aligned}\tag{18}$$

In terms of ω_0

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma &= \frac{\omega_0}{4} \\ \omega_u &= \omega_0 \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{\gamma}{2\omega_0}\right)^2} \\ X &= A e^{-\frac{\omega_0}{8}t} \cos\left(\omega_0 \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{\omega_0}{8\omega_0}\right)^2} t + \phi\right) \\ &= A e^{-\frac{\omega_0}{8}t} \cos\left(\omega_0 \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{64}} t + \phi\right) \\ &= A e^{-\frac{\omega_0}{8}t} \cos\left(\omega_0 \frac{\sqrt{63}}{8} t + \phi\right) \\ a &= \frac{1}{8} \\ b &= \frac{\sqrt{63}}{8}\end{aligned}\tag{19}$$

1.3 Part c

$$\begin{aligned}x(t) &= A e^{-a\omega_0 t} \cos(b\omega_0 t + \phi) \\ \dot{x}(t) &= -A[a\omega_0 e^{-a\omega_0 t} \cos(b\omega_0 t + \phi) - e^{-a\omega_0 t} b\omega_0 \sin(b\omega_0 t + \phi)]\end{aligned}$$

When: $x(t=0) = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
x(t=0) &= Ae^0 \cos(0 + \phi) \\
&= A \cos(\phi) \\
A = 0 &\text{ is trivial} \\
0 &= \cos(\phi) \\
\phi &= \frac{n\pi}{2}, n = 1, 2, 3...
\end{aligned} \tag{20}$$

When: $\dot{x}(t=0) = v_0$

$$\begin{aligned}
\dot{x}(t=0) &= -A[a\omega_0 e^{-a\omega_0 t} \cos(b\omega_0 t + \phi) - e^{-a\omega_0 t} b\omega_0 \sin(b\omega_0 t + \phi)] \\
&= -A[a\omega_0 e^0 \cos(0 + \phi) - e^0 b\omega_0 \sin(0 + \phi)] \\
&= -A[a\omega_0 e^0 \cos(\frac{n\pi}{2}) - e^0 b\omega_0 \sin(\frac{n\pi}{2})] \\
v_0 &= Ab\omega_0 \sin(\frac{n\pi}{2}) \\
\frac{v_0}{b\omega_0 \sin(\frac{n\pi}{2})} &= A \\
\pm \frac{v_0}{b\omega_0} &= A
\end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

Subbing in solution for a and b

$$\phi = \frac{n\pi}{2}, n = 1, 2, 3... \tag{22}$$

$$A = \pm \frac{v_0}{\frac{\sqrt{63}}{8}\omega_0} \tag{23}$$

2 Problem 2

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \\ x_3(t) \end{bmatrix} = Re \left[A_f e^{i\omega_f t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -\sqrt{2} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + A_m e^{i\omega_m t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + A_s e^{i\omega_s t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{2} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right] \tag{24}$$

$$= A_f \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -\sqrt{2} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cos(\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}\omega_0 t} + \phi_f) + A_m \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \cos(\sqrt{2}\omega_0 t + \phi_m) + A_s \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{2} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cos(\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}\omega_0 t} + \phi_s) \tag{25}$$

Expanded form

$$\begin{aligned}
x_1(t) &= A_f \cos(\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}\omega_0 t} + \phi_f) + A_m \cos(\sqrt{2}\omega_0 t + \phi_m) + A_s \cos(\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}\omega_0 t} + \phi_s) \\
x_2(t) &= -\sqrt{2}A_f \cos(\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}\omega_0 t} + \phi_f) + \sqrt{2}A_s \cos(\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}\omega_0 t} + \phi_s) \\
x_3(t) &= A_f \cos(\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}\omega_0 t} + \phi_f) - A_m \cos(\sqrt{2}\omega_0 t + \phi_m) + A_s \cos(\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}\omega_0 t} + \phi_s)
\end{aligned} \tag{26}$$

Derivatives

$$\begin{aligned}
\dot{x}_1(t) &= -\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}\omega_0}A_f \sin(\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}\omega_0}t + \phi_f) - \sqrt{2}\omega_0 A_m \sin(\sqrt{2}\omega_0 t + \phi_m) - \sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}\omega_0}A_s \sin(\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}\omega_0}t + \phi_s) \\
\dot{x}_2(t) &= \sqrt{2}\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}\omega_0}A_f \sin(\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}\omega_0}t + \phi_f) - \sqrt{2}\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}\omega_0}A_s \sin(\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}\omega_0}t + \phi_s) \\
\dot{x}_3(t) &= -\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}\omega_0}A_f \sin(\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}\omega_0}t + \phi_f) + \sqrt{2}\omega_0 A_m \sin(\sqrt{2}\omega_0 t + \phi_m) - \sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}\omega_0}A_s \sin(\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}\omega_0}t + \phi_s)
\end{aligned} \tag{27}$$

Initial conditions

$$\begin{aligned}
x_1 &= x_3 = 0, x_2 = A \\
\dot{x}_1 &= \dot{x}_2 = \dot{x}_3 = 0
\end{aligned}$$

Define

$$\begin{aligned}
a_f &= A_f \cos \phi_f \\
b_f &= -A_f \sin \phi_f \\
c_m &= A_m \cos \phi_m \\
d_m &= -A_m \sin \phi_m \\
g_s &= A_s \cos \phi_s \\
h_s &= -A_s \sin \phi_s
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
x_1(t) &= a_f \cos(\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}\omega_0}t) + b_f \sin(\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}\omega_0}t) + c_m \cos(\sqrt{2}\omega_0 t) + d_m \sin(\sqrt{2}\omega_0 t) + g_s \cos(\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}\omega_0}t) + h_s \sin(\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}\omega_0}t) \\
x_2(t) &= -\sqrt{2}a_f \cos(\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}\omega_0}t) - \sqrt{2}b_f \sin(\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}\omega_0}t) + \sqrt{2}g_s \cos(\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}\omega_0}t) + \sqrt{2}h_s \sin(\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}\omega_0}t) \\
x_3(t) &= a_f \cos(\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}\omega_0}t) + b_f \sin(\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}\omega_0}t) - c_m \cos(\sqrt{2}\omega_0 t) - d_m \sin(\sqrt{2}\omega_0 t) + g_s \cos(\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}\omega_0}t) + h_s \sin(\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}\omega_0}t)
\end{aligned} \tag{28}$$

Apply: $\dot{x}_1 = \dot{x}_2 = \dot{x}_3 = 0$ - All cos terms will go to sin and 0 out, all sin terms will go to cos and become 1 at $t = 0$.
First \dot{x}_1

$$\begin{aligned}
\dot{x}_1(t=0) &= \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}}b_f + \sqrt{2}d_m + \sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}}h_s = 0 \\
\dot{x}_2(t=0) &= -\sqrt{2}\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}}b_f + \sqrt{2}\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}}h_s = 0 \\
\dot{x}_3(t=0) &= \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}}b_f - \sqrt{2}d_m + \sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}}h_s = 0
\end{aligned} \tag{29}$$

\dot{x}_2 tells us

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &= -\sqrt{2}\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}}b_f + \sqrt{2}\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}}h_s \\
b_f &= h_s
\end{aligned} \tag{30}$$

Subtract $\dot{x}_1 - \dot{x}_3$

$$\begin{aligned}
\dot{x}_1(t=0) &= \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}b_f} + \sqrt{2}d_m + \sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}h_s} = 0 \\
-\dot{x}_3(t=0) &= \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}b_f} - \sqrt{2}d_m + \sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}h_s} = 0 \\
0 &= 0 + 2\sqrt{2}d_m + 0 \\
0 &= d_m
\end{aligned} \tag{31}$$

Add $x_1 + x_3$

$$\begin{aligned}
x_1(t=0) &= a_f + c_m + g_s = 0 \\
+x_3(t=0) &= a_f - c_m + g_s = 0 \\
0 &= a_f + g_s \\
-a_f &= g_s
\end{aligned} \tag{32}$$

Subtract $x_1 - x_3$

$$\begin{aligned}
x_1(t=0) &= a_f + c_m + g_s = 0 \\
-x_3(t=0) &= a_f - c_m + g_s = 0 \\
0 &= 2c_m \\
0 &= c_m
\end{aligned} \tag{33}$$

x_2 tells us

$$\begin{aligned}
x_2(t=0) &= -\sqrt{2}a_f + \sqrt{2}g_s = A \\
A &= -a_f + g_s
\end{aligned}$$

sub in values from equation 33

$$\begin{aligned}
A &= g_s + g_s \\
\frac{A}{2} &= g_s \\
-\frac{A}{2} &= a_f
\end{aligned} \tag{34}$$

Final values

$$\begin{aligned}
a_f &= -\frac{A}{2} \\
b_f &= 0 \\
c_m &= 0 \\
d_m &= 0 \\
g_s &= \frac{A}{2} \\
h_s &= 0
\end{aligned}$$

x(t) final

$$\begin{aligned}
x_1(t) &= -\frac{A}{2} \cos(\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}\omega_0 t}) + \frac{A}{2} \cos(\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}\omega_0 t}) \\
&= -\frac{A}{2} \cos(\omega_f t) + \frac{A}{2} \cos(\omega_s t) \\
&= \frac{A}{2} (-\cos(\omega_f t) + \cos(\omega_s t)) \\
x_2(t) &= \frac{A\sqrt{2}}{2} \cos(\omega_f t) + \frac{A\sqrt{2}}{2} \cos(\omega_s t) \\
&= \frac{A\sqrt{2}}{2} (\cos(\omega_f t) + \cos(\omega_s t)) \\
x_3(t) &= \frac{A}{2} (\cos(\omega_f t) - \cos(\omega_s t))
\end{aligned} \tag{35}$$

3 Problem 3

$$\psi(x, t) = A \sin\left(\omega \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{T}} x\right) \cos(\omega t + \phi)$$

3.1 Part a

Justification for choice of sin: From our boundary condition $x = 0$, we know $x = 0$ is a node and therefore $\psi(x = 0, t) = 0$ for all t . This will require $\psi(x, t) \propto \sin kx \cos(\omega t + \phi)$ in order to satisfy the boundary condition. If we chose a function in the form $\psi(x, t) \propto \cos kx \cos(\omega t + \phi)$, our function would not be 0 at $x = 0$, and would not satisfy the boundary condition

Justification for spatial dependence involving $\omega \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{T}} x$

$$k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \tag{36}$$

$$v = \frac{\omega}{k} = \sqrt{\frac{T_s}{\mu}} \tag{37}$$

$$\omega = 2\pi\nu_f \tag{38}$$

ν_f is frequency. Written as ν_f to distinguish it from velocity v

$$\begin{aligned}
v &= \frac{\omega}{k} \\
k &= \frac{\omega}{v} \\
&= \frac{\omega}{\sqrt{\frac{T_s}{\mu}}} \\
&= \omega \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{T_s}}
\end{aligned} \tag{39}$$

Since we know $\psi(x, t) \propto \sin kx \cos(\omega t + \phi)$, we can sub our value of k from equation 38 to get $\psi(x, t) = A \sin\left(\omega \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{T_s}} x\right) \cos(\omega t + \phi)$

3.2 Part b

Use Newton's Second to get equation for net force

$$F_{spring} = -K_s \psi(x, t)$$

$$F_{tension} = -T \sin \theta$$

Using small angle approximation: $\sin \theta \approx \tan \theta \approx \theta \approx \text{slope} \approx \frac{\partial \psi(x, t)}{\partial x}$

$$F_{tension} = -T \frac{\partial \psi(x, t)}{\partial x}$$

$$m \frac{\partial^2 \psi(x, t)}{\partial t^2} = F_{spring} + F_{tension}$$

$$m \frac{\partial^2 \psi(x, t)}{\partial t^2} = -K_s \psi(x, t) - T \frac{\partial \psi(x, t)}{\partial x}$$

$$m \frac{\partial^2 \psi(x, t)}{\partial t^2} + K_s \psi(x, t) = -T \frac{\partial \psi(x, t)}{\partial x}$$

For $x = L$

$$m \frac{\partial^2 \psi(x, t)}{\partial t^2} + K_s \psi(x, t) = -T \frac{\partial \psi(x, t)}{\partial x}$$

For $x = L$

$$m \frac{\partial^2 \psi(L, t)}{\partial t^2} + K_s \psi(L, t) = -T \frac{\partial \psi(L, t)}{\partial x}$$

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3.3 Part c

Boundary condition for a free end

$$\frac{\partial \psi(x, t)}{\partial x} = 0$$

$$\psi(x, t) = A \sin \left(\omega \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{T_s}} x \right) \cos (\omega t + \phi)$$

$$\frac{\partial \psi(x, t)}{\partial x} = A \omega \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{T_s}} \cos \left(\omega \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{T_s}} x \right) \cos (\omega t + \phi)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi(x, t)}{\partial t^2} = -A \omega^2 \sin \left(\omega \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{T_s}} x \right) \cos (\omega t + \phi)$$

$$m \frac{\partial^2 \psi(L, t)}{\partial t^2} + K_s \psi(L, t) = -T \frac{\partial \psi(L, t)}{\partial x}$$

$$m - A \omega^2 \sin \left(\omega \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{T_s}} x \right) \cos (\omega t + \phi) + K_s A \sin \left(\omega \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{T_s}} x \right) \cos (\omega t + \phi) = -T \frac{\partial \psi(L, t)}{\partial x}$$

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Input $\omega_0 = \omega = \sqrt{\frac{K_{sp}}{m}}$ and $x = L$

$$\begin{aligned}
m - A\sqrt{\frac{K_{sp}}{m}}^2 \sin\left(\sqrt{\frac{K_{sp}}{m}} \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{T_s}} L\right) \cos\left(\sqrt{\frac{K_{sp}}{m}} t + \phi\right) + K_{sp} A \sin\left(\sqrt{\frac{K_{sp}}{m}} \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{T_s}} L\right) \cos\left(\sqrt{\frac{K_{sp}}{m}} t + \phi\right) &= -T \frac{\partial \psi(L, t)}{\partial x} \\
m - A \frac{K_{sp}}{m} \sin\left(\sqrt{\frac{K_{sp}\mu}{mT_s}} L\right) \cos\left(\sqrt{\frac{K_{sp}}{m}} t + \phi\right) + K_{sp} A \sin\left(\sqrt{\frac{K_{sp}\mu}{mT_s}} L\right) \cos\left(\sqrt{\frac{K_{sp}}{m}} t + \phi\right) &= -T \frac{\partial \psi(L, t)}{\partial x} \\
-AK_{sp} \sin\left(\sqrt{\frac{K_{sp}\mu}{mT_s}} L\right) \cos\left(\sqrt{\frac{K_{sp}}{m}} t + \phi\right) + K_{sp} A \sin\left(\sqrt{\frac{K_{sp}\mu}{mT_s}} L\right) \cos\left(\sqrt{\frac{K_{sp}}{m}} t + \phi\right) &= -T \frac{\partial \psi(L, t)}{\partial x} \\
0 &= -T \frac{\partial \psi(L, t)}{\partial x} \\
T \text{ is not } 0 \text{ therefore} \\
0 &= \frac{\partial \psi(L, t)}{\partial x}
\end{aligned} \tag{42}$$

When ω is oscillating at ω_0 at $x = L$, the spring and the string have the same frequency and amplitude and therefore act as if they were one single component

3.4 Part d

Apply boundary condition where ω is oscillating at ω_0 at $x = L$

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &= \frac{\partial \psi(L, t)}{\partial x} \\
&= A\omega \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{T_s}} \cos\left(\omega \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{T_s}} L\right) \cos(\omega t + \phi)
\end{aligned}$$

$A = 0$ is trivial therefore:

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &= \cos\left(\omega \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{T_s}} L\right) \\
\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi &= \left(\omega \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{T_s}} L\right) \\
\frac{\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi}{\omega \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{T_s}}} &= L \\
n &= 0, 1, 2, \dots
\end{aligned} \tag{43}$$

4 Problem 4

$$\begin{aligned}
\vec{E} &= E_0 \text{Re} \left(\frac{\hat{x} + i\hat{y}}{\sqrt{2}} e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \right) \\
&= E_0 \text{Re} \left(\left[\frac{\hat{x} e^{i(kz - \omega t)}}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{i\hat{y} e^{i(kz - \omega t)}}{\sqrt{2}} \right] \right) \\
&= E_0 \text{Re} \left(\left[\frac{\hat{x} [\cos(kz - \omega t) + i \sin(kz - \omega t)]}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{i\hat{y} [\cos(kz - \omega t) + i \sin(kz - \omega t)]}{\sqrt{2}} \right] \right) \\
&= \frac{E_0}{\sqrt{2}} \text{Re} \left([[\hat{x} \cos(kz - \omega t) + i\hat{x} \sin(kz - \omega t)] + [i\hat{y} \cos(kz - \omega t) + ii\hat{y} \sin(kz - \omega t)]] \right) \\
&= \frac{E_0}{\sqrt{2}} (\hat{x} \cos(kz - \omega t) - \hat{y} \sin(kz - \omega t))
\end{aligned}$$

4.1 Part a

x component

$$E_x = \frac{E_0}{\sqrt{2}} (\cos(kz - \omega t)) \quad (44)$$

y component

$$E_y = -\frac{E_0}{\sqrt{2}} \sin(kz - \omega t) \quad (45)$$

Circular polarization: Plug $z = 0$, sin is odd so $-\sin(\theta) = \sin(-\theta)$

$$\begin{aligned}
E &= \frac{E_0}{\sqrt{2}} (\cos(0 - \omega t))\hat{x} + \frac{E_0}{\sqrt{2}} \sin(0 + \omega t)\hat{y} \\
\frac{E}{\sqrt{2}} &= E_0 (\cos(\omega t))\hat{x} + E_0 \sin(\omega t)\hat{y}
\end{aligned} \quad (46)$$

Phase difference of $\frac{\pi}{2}$ between x and y components, therefore there is circular polarization

4.2 Part b

$$\begin{aligned}
\vec{B} &= \frac{E_0}{c} \text{Re} \left(\frac{\hat{x} + i\hat{y}}{\sqrt{2}} e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \right) \\
&= \frac{E_0}{c\sqrt{2}} (\hat{x} \cos(kz - \omega t) - \hat{y} \sin(kz - \omega t))
\end{aligned}$$

Define

$$\begin{aligned}
 k \times E &= \omega B \\
 \text{Maxwell's first tells us } E \text{ is perpendicular to } k \text{ therefore we can define} \\
 kE &= \omega B \\
 E &= \frac{\omega}{k} B \\
 c &= \frac{\omega}{k} \\
 E &= cB \\
 \frac{E}{c} &= B \\
 \frac{E_0(\cos(kz - \omega t))\hat{x} - E_0 \sin(kz - \omega t)\hat{y}}{\sqrt{2}c} &= B \\
 B &= \frac{E_0}{\sqrt{2}c}(\cos(kz - \omega t))\hat{x} - \sin(kz - \omega t)\hat{y}
 \end{aligned} \tag{47}$$

4.3 Part c

$$\begin{aligned}
 S &= \frac{1}{\mu_0}(E \times B) \\
 \text{For traveling wave} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\mu_0}E \frac{E}{c} \hat{k} \\
 \text{Substitute: } \frac{1}{\mu_0} &= c^2 \epsilon_0 \\
 &= c\epsilon E^2 \hat{k} \\
 &= c\epsilon E^2 \hat{z} \\
 E^2 &= \left(\frac{E_0}{\sqrt{2}}(\hat{x} \cos(kz - \omega t) - \hat{y} \sin(kz - \omega t))\right)^2 \\
 &= \frac{E_0^2}{2}(\cos^2(kz - \omega t) + \sin^2(kz - \omega t)) \\
 &= \frac{E_0^2}{2}
 \end{aligned} \tag{48}$$

Final Answer

$$S = c\epsilon \frac{E_0^2}{2} \hat{z} \tag{49}$$

Subbing in answer from below for energy density

$$S = c\left(\frac{E_0^2}{2}\right)^2 \epsilon_0 \hat{z} \tag{50}$$

Since c is constant, E_0 is constant, and ϵ_0 is constant, we can see that the Poynting vector is independent of space and time.

4.4 Part d

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon &= \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} E^2 + \frac{1}{2\mu_0} B^2 \\ \text{substitute } B &= \frac{E}{c} \\ &= \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} E^2 + \frac{1}{2\mu_0} \left(\frac{E}{c}\right)^2 \\ &= \frac{E^2}{2} \left(\epsilon_0 + \frac{1}{c^2 \mu_0}\right) \\ \text{substitute } \mu_0 &= \frac{1}{c^2 \epsilon_0} \\ &= \frac{E^2}{2} \epsilon_0 + \epsilon_0 \\ \epsilon &= E^2 \epsilon_0\end{aligned}$$

Final Answer

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon &= E^2 \epsilon_0 \\ \epsilon &= \frac{E_0^2}{2} \epsilon_0\end{aligned}\tag{51}$$

4.5 Part e

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{E} &= \frac{E_0(\hat{x} \cos(\theta) + \hat{y} \sin(\theta))}{\sqrt{2}} \cos((kz - \omega t) + \delta) \\ \delta &= \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ for circularly polarized wave} \\ \frac{E_0}{\sqrt{2}}(\hat{x} \cos(kz - \omega t) - \hat{y} \sin(kz - \omega t)) &\times \hat{x} \cos(\theta) + \hat{y} \sin \theta\end{aligned}$$

Is going to return to you:

$$\vec{E} = \frac{E_0(\hat{x} \cos(\theta) + \hat{y} \sin(\theta))}{\sqrt{2}} \cos((kz - \omega t) + \frac{\pi}{2})$$

Thank you for all your help this semester and I hope this year goes well for you. Best regards - Dillon Walton