Homework 1

Electromagnetic Waves

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QUESTIONS

- 1. Two waves on a string are given by the following functions: $y_1(x,t) = 4\cos(20t 30x)$ and $y_2(x,t) = -4\cos(20t + 30x)$ where x is centimeters. The waves are said to interfere constructively when their superposition $|y_s| = |y_1 + y_2|$ is a maximum and they interfere destructively when $|y_s|$ is minimum.
 - a) What are the direction of propagation of waves $y_1(x,t)$ and $y_2(x,t)$.
 - b) At $t = (\pi/50)$ s, at what location x do the two waves interfere constructively, and what is the corresponding value of $|y_s|$?
 - c) At $t = (\pi/50)$ s, at what location x do the two waves interfere destructively, and what is the corresponding value of $|y_s|$?
- 2. Express the following time-harmonic fields as phasors
 - a) $\vec{A} = 3\sin(2t + \pi/3)\vec{e_x} + 5\cos(2t + \pi/6)\vec{e_y}$
 - b) $\vec{B} = (1000/\rho) \sin(\omega t 2\pi z) \vec{e_\rho}$
 - c) $\vec{C} = (\cos(\theta)/r)\sin(\omega t 4r)\vec{e_{\theta}}$
 - d) $\vec{D} = 10\cos(k_1x)\cos(\omega t k_2z)\vec{e}_v$
- 3. Express the following phasors as time-harmonic fields
 - a) $\tilde{A} = -5e^{j\pi/3}$
 - b) $\tilde{B} = (6 + i8)$
 - c) $\tilde{C} = -j$
 - d) $\tilde{D} = 2e^{j\pi/6}$