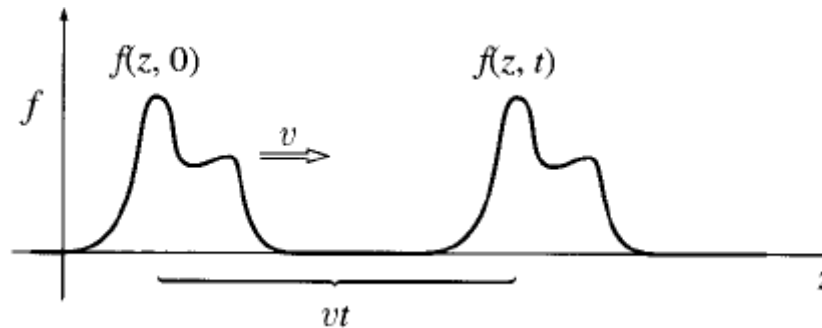


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## 9.1.1 The (classical or Mechanical) waves equation

Given the *initial* shape of the string,  $g(z) \equiv f(z, 0)$ , what is the subsequent form,  $f(z, t)$ ?



The displacement at point  $z$ , at the later time  $t$ , is the same as the displacement a distance  $vt$  to the left (i.e. at  $z - vt$ ), back at time  $t = 0$ :

➡  $f(z, t) = f(z - vt, 0) = g(z - vt)$

➡ It represents a wave of fixed shape traveling in the  $z$  direction at speed  $v$ .

(O)  $f_1(z, t) = Ae^{-b(z-vt)^2}$ ,  $f_2(z, t) = A \sin[b(z - vt)]$ ,  $f_3(z, t) = \frac{A}{b(z - vt)^2 + 1}$

(X)  $f_4(z, t) = Ae^{-b(bz^2 + vt)}$ , and  $f_5(z, t) = A \sin(bz) \cos(bvt)^3$

(Classical) waves equation with a solution of the form:  $f(z, t) = g(z \pm vt)$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = \frac{dg}{du} \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = \frac{dg}{du},$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = \frac{dg}{du} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -v \frac{dg}{du}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \frac{dg}{du} \right) = \frac{d^2 g}{du^2} \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = \frac{d^2 g}{du^2},$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2} = -v \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{dg}{du} \right) = -v \frac{d^2 g}{du^2} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = v^2 \frac{d^2 g}{du^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 g}{du^2} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z^2} = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2}$$

→ Waves equation means a equation of motion governed by **Newton's second law!**

(Example) Consider a stretched string which supports wave motion.

The net transverse force on the segment between  $z$  and  $(z + \Delta z)$  is

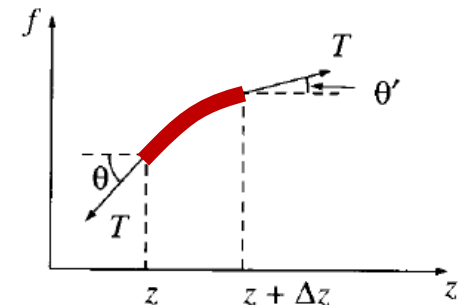
$$\Delta F = T \sin \theta' - T \sin \theta$$

If the distortion of the string is not too great,  $\sin \theta \sim \tan \theta$ .

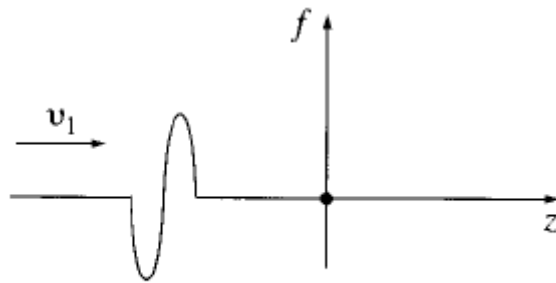
$$\Delta F \cong T(\tan \theta' - \tan \theta) = T \left( \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \right|_{z+\Delta z} - \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \right|_z \right) \cong T \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z^2} \Delta z$$

If the mass per unit length is  $\mu$ , Newton's second law says

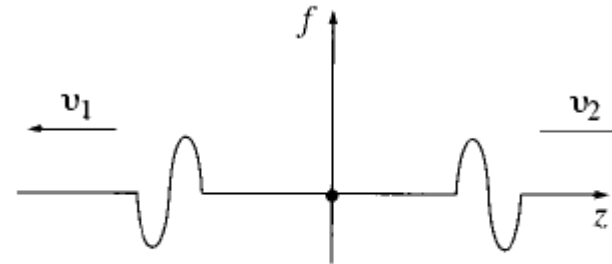
$$\Delta F = \mu(\Delta z) \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z^2} = \frac{\mu}{T} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2} = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2} \quad v = \sqrt{\frac{T}{\mu}}$$



### 9.1.3 Boundary conditions: Reflection and Transmission



(a) Incident pulse



(b) Reflected and transmitted pulses

For a sinusoidal incident wave, then, the net disturbance of the string is:

$$\tilde{f}(z, t) = \begin{cases} \tilde{A}_I e^{i(k_1 z - \omega t)} + \tilde{A}_R e^{i(-k_1 z - \omega t)}, & \text{for } z < 0, \\ \tilde{A}_T e^{i(k_2 z - \omega t)}, & \text{for } z > 0. \end{cases}$$

At the join ( $z = 0$ ), the **displacement** and **slope** just slightly to the left ( $z = 0^-$ ) **must equal** those slightly to the right ( $z = 0^+$ ), or else there would be a break between the two strings.

$$\tilde{f}(0^-, t) = \tilde{f}(0^+, t), \quad \left. \frac{\partial \tilde{f}}{\partial z} \right|_{0^-} = \left. \frac{\partial \tilde{f}}{\partial z} \right|_{0^+} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{A}_I + \tilde{A}_R = \tilde{A}_T, \quad k_1(\tilde{A}_I - \tilde{A}_R) = k_2 \tilde{A}_T \\ \tilde{A}_R = \left( \frac{k_1 - k_2}{k_1 + k_2} \right) \tilde{A}_I, \quad \tilde{A}_T = \left( \frac{2k_1}{k_1 + k_2} \right) \tilde{A}_I \\ \tilde{A}_R = \left( \frac{v_2 - v_1}{v_2 + v_1} \right) \tilde{A}_I, \quad \tilde{A}_T = \left( \frac{2v_2}{v_2 + v_1} \right) \tilde{A}_I \end{array} \right.$$


## 9.2 Electromagnetic waves in Vacuum

In Vacuum,  $\rho = 0$ ,  $J = 0$ ,  $q = 0$ ,  $I = 0$  (no free charges and no currents)


$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0 \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0 \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t}$$

Let's derive the wave equation for  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  from the curl equations.

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{E}) = \nabla(\cancel{\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E}}) - \nabla^2 \mathbf{E} = \nabla \times \left( -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \right) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \times \mathbf{B}) = -\mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2}$$

  $\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2}$

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{B}) = \nabla(\cancel{\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}}) - \nabla^2 \mathbf{B} = \nabla \times \left( \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} \right) = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \times \mathbf{E}) = -\mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{B}}{\partial t^2}$$

  $\nabla^2 \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{B}}{\partial t^2}$

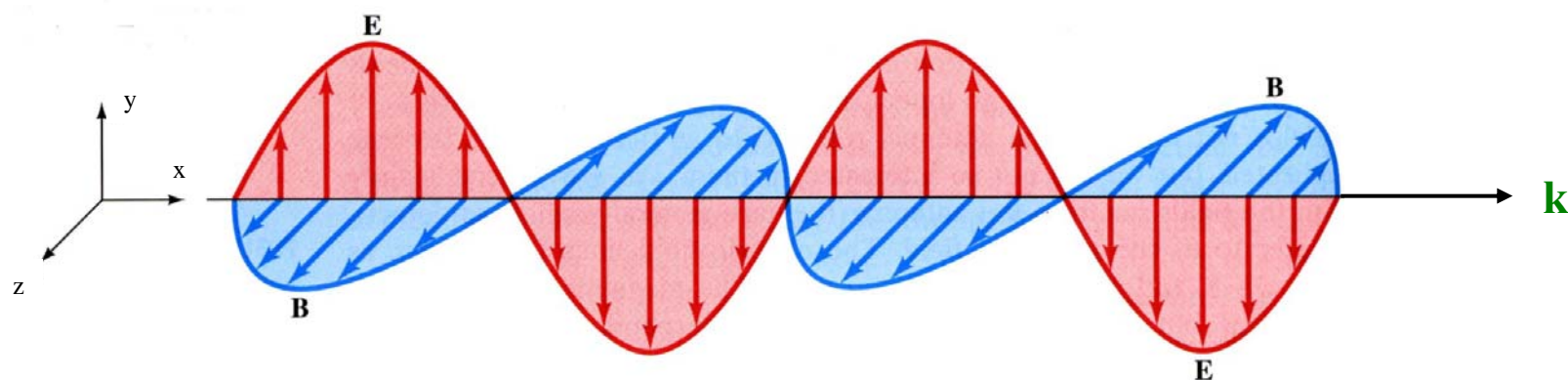
Each Cartesian component of  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  satisfies  $\nabla^2 f = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2}$   $v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_0 \mu_0}} = 3.00 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$

Notice the crucial role played by Maxwell's contribution to Ampere's law ( $\mu_0 \epsilon_0 \partial \mathbf{E} / \partial t$ );  
without it, the wave equation would not emerge,  
and there would be no electromagnetic theory of light.

# Algebraic form of Maxwell's Equations in free space

- $i \vec{k} \cdot \vec{E} = 0$  (i.e.  $\vec{E}$  is perpendicular to  $\vec{k}$ )
- $i \vec{k} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$  (i.e.  $\vec{B}$  is perpendicular to  $\vec{k}$ )
- $i \vec{k} \times \vec{E} = i\omega \vec{B}$
- $i \vec{k} \times \vec{B} = -i\epsilon_0\mu_0 \omega \vec{E}$

E and B are mutually perpendicular to each other,  
E and B are perpendicular to the direction of propagation of wave.

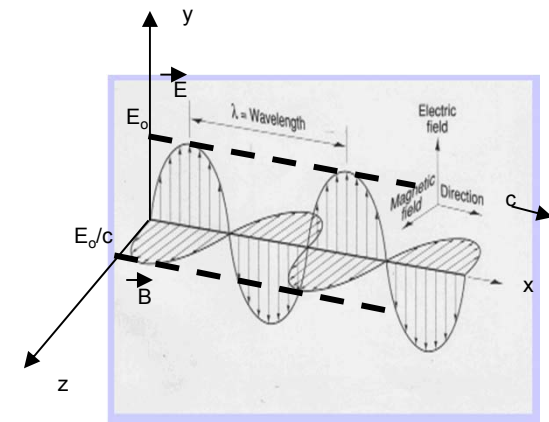


What is the relation between E and B ?  
Or show that E and B are in same phase at any time in space.

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \Rightarrow \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E} = \omega \mathbf{B}$$

$$\text{when } \left. \begin{array}{l} E \rightarrow E_y \\ B \rightarrow B_z \\ k \rightarrow x \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} k E_y = \omega B_z \\ E_y = \frac{\omega}{k} B_z \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} E_y = c B_z \\ B_z = \frac{E_y}{c} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\text{But } \left. \begin{array}{l} E_y = E_0 e^{i(kx - \omega t)} \\ B_z = B_0 e^{i(kx - \omega t)} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \boxed{B_0 = \frac{E_0}{c}}$$



Since  $k / \omega$  is a real number, the electric and magnetic vectors are in phase; thus if at any instant, E is zero then B is also zero, when E attains its maximum value, B also attains its maximum value, etc.

**Both  $E_y$  and  $B_z$  are in same phase.**

## Summary of Important Properties of Electromagnetic Waves

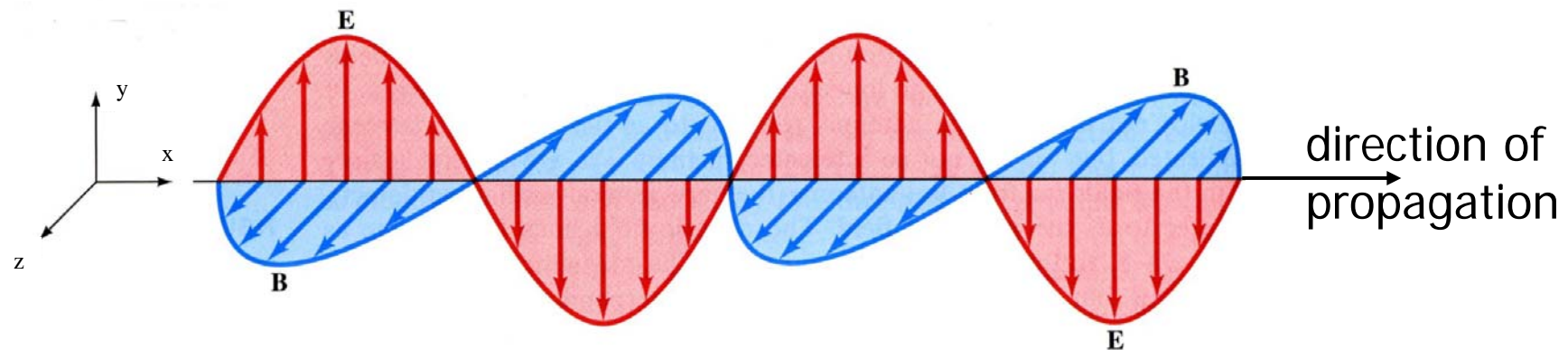
- The **solutions** (plane wave) of Maxwell's equations are wave-like with both E and B satisfying a wave equation.

$$E_y = E_0 \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

$$B_z = B_0 \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

- Electromagnetic waves travel through empty space with the **speed of light**  $c = 1/(\mu_0 \epsilon_0)^{1/2}$ .

- The plane wave as represented by above is said to be **linearly polarized** because the electric vector is always along y-axis and, similarly, the magnetic vector is always along z-axis.



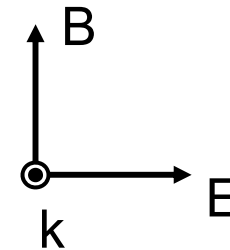


→ The components of the electric and magnetic fields of plane EM waves are perpendicular to each other and perpendicular to the direction of wave propagation. The latter property says that **EM waves are transverse waves.**

→ The magnitudes of E and B in empty space are related by  $E/B = c$ .

$$\frac{E_0}{B_0} = \frac{E}{B} = \frac{\omega}{k} = c$$

→ Both E and B are at right angles to the direction of propagation. Thus the waves are transverse.



→ The electric and magnetic waves are interdependent; neither can exist without the other. Physically, an electric field varying in time produces a magnetic field varying in space and time; this changing magnetic field produces an electric field varying in space and time and so on. **This mutual generation of electric and magnetic fields result in the propagation of the EM waves.**

## Numerical example

In free space the Electric field is given as

$$\vec{E} = 10 \sin(2x - 100t) \hat{j}.$$

Determine D, B and H by using Maxwell's equations.

Sol: Wave is propagating along x direction.

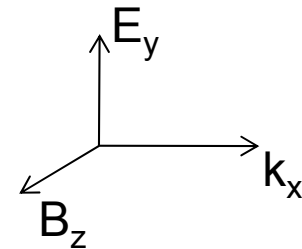
$$(1) \quad \vec{D} = \epsilon_0 \vec{E} = 10\epsilon_0 \sin(2x - 100t) \hat{j}.$$

$$(2) \quad \text{Using } \nabla \times E = -\frac{\partial B}{\partial t},$$

$$20 \cos(2x - 100t) \hat{k} = -\frac{\partial B}{\partial t},$$

$$\frac{1}{5} \sin(2x - 100t) \hat{k} = B. \quad \vec{B} = \frac{1}{5} \sin(2x - 100t) \hat{k}$$

$$(3) \quad \vec{H} = \frac{\vec{B}}{\mu_0} = \frac{1}{5\mu_0} \sin(2x - 100t) \hat{k}$$



## 9.3 Electromagnetic waves in Matter

In **linear and homogeneous media** with no free charge and no free current,

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0 \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0 \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu\epsilon \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t}$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \epsilon \mathbf{E}, \quad \mathbf{H} = \frac{1}{\mu} \mathbf{B}$$

$$v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon\mu}} = \frac{c}{n}$$

$$n \equiv \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon\mu}{\epsilon_0\mu_0}}$$

$$u = \frac{1}{2} \left( \epsilon E^2 + \frac{1}{\mu} B^2 \right)$$

$$\mathbf{S} = \frac{1}{\mu} (\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B})$$

$$I = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon v E_0^2 \quad \longleftarrow \quad I = S_{average} = \langle S \rangle$$

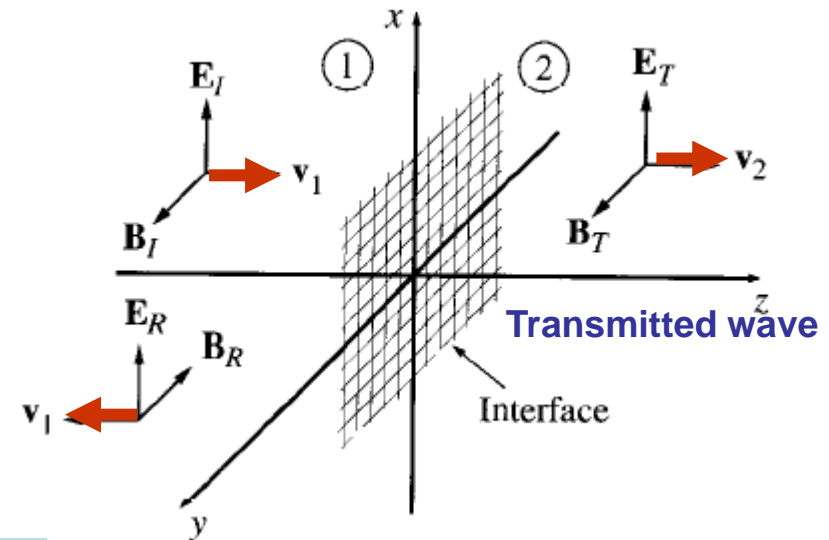
Boundary conditions

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{(i)} \quad \epsilon_1 E_1^\perp = \epsilon_2 E_2^\perp, & \text{(iii)} \quad \mathbf{E}_1^\parallel = \mathbf{E}_2^\parallel, \\ \text{(ii)} \quad B_1^\perp = B_2^\perp, & \text{(iv)} \quad \frac{1}{\mu_1} \mathbf{B}_1^\parallel = \frac{1}{\mu_2} \mathbf{B}_2^\parallel. \end{array}$$

## 9.3.2 Reflection and Transmission at Normal Incidence

Suppose xy plane forms the boundary between two linear media.

A plane wave of frequency  $\omega$  is traveling in the z direction (from left), polarized along x direction (TE polarization).



### Incident wave

$$\vec{E}_I(z, t) = E_{0I} \exp(i(k_1 z - \omega t)) \hat{x}$$

$$\vec{B}_I(z, t) = \frac{1}{v_1} E_{0I} \exp(i(k_1 z - \omega t)) \hat{y}$$

### Reflected wave

$$\vec{E}_R(z, t) = E_{0R} \exp(i(-k_1 z - \omega t)) \hat{x}$$

$$\vec{B}_R(z, t) = -\frac{1}{v_1} E_{0R} \exp(i(-k_1 z - \omega t)) \hat{y}$$

### Transmitted wave

$$\vec{E}_T(z, t) = E_{0T} \exp(i(k_2 z - \omega t)) \hat{x}$$

$$\vec{B}_T(z, t) = \frac{1}{v_2} E_{0T} \exp(i(k_2 z - \omega t)) \hat{y}$$

At  $z = 0$ ,

$$\mathbf{E}_1^{\parallel} = \mathbf{E}_2^{\parallel} \quad \rightarrow \quad \tilde{E}_{0I} + \tilde{E}_{0R} = \tilde{E}_{0T}$$

$$\frac{1}{\mu_1} \mathbf{B}_1^{\parallel} = \frac{1}{\mu_2} \mathbf{B}_2^{\parallel} \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{1}{\mu_1} \left( \frac{1}{v_1} \tilde{E}_{0I} - \frac{1}{v_1} \tilde{E}_{0R} \right) = \frac{1}{\mu_2} \left( \frac{1}{v_2} \tilde{E}_{0T} \right)$$

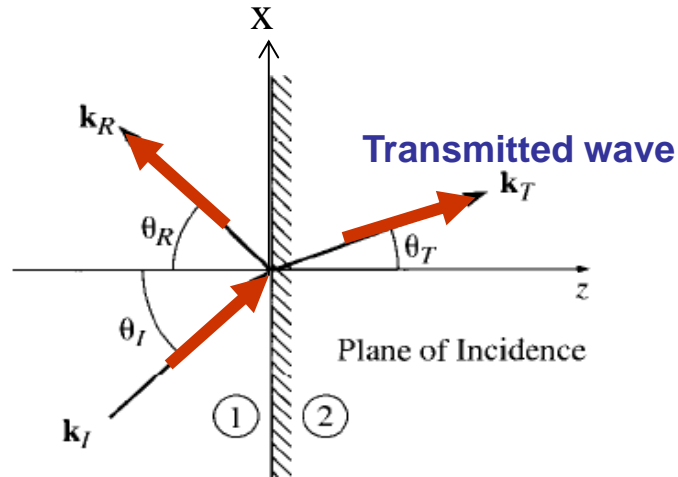
$$\mu_1 = \mu_2 = \mu_0,$$

**Prove!**

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} R \equiv \frac{I_R}{I_I} = \left( \frac{E_{0R}}{E_{0I}} \right)^2 = \left( \frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2} \right)^2 \\ T \equiv \frac{I_T}{I_I} = \frac{\epsilon_2 v_2}{\epsilon_1 v_1} \left( \frac{E_{0T}}{E_{0I}} \right)^2 = \frac{4n_1 n_2}{(n_1 + n_2)^2} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{T} = \mathbf{1}$$

### 9.3.3 Reflection and Transmission at Oblique Incidence



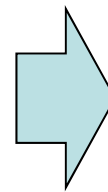
Because the boundary conditions must hold at all points on the plane, and for all times, the exponential factors must be equal at  $z = 0$  plane.

$$\mathbf{k}_I \cdot \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{k}_R \cdot \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{k}_T \cdot \mathbf{r}, \quad \text{when } z = 0$$

$$\rightarrow x(k_I)_x + y(k_I)_y = x(k_R)_x + y(k_R)_y = x(k_T)_x + y(k_T)_y$$

$$\rightarrow (k_I)_x = (k_R)_x = (k_T)_x \quad \text{if } y = 0$$

$$\rightarrow k_I \sin \theta_I = k_R \sin \theta_R = k_T \sin \theta_T$$



$$\theta_I = \theta_R \quad \text{law of reflection}$$

$$\frac{\sin \theta_T}{\sin \theta_I} = \frac{n_1}{n_2} \quad \text{law of refraction}$$

#### Incident wave

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_I(\mathbf{r}, t) = \tilde{\mathbf{E}}_{0I} e^{i(\mathbf{k}_I \cdot \mathbf{r} - \omega t)}$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{B}}_I(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{1}{v_1} (\hat{\mathbf{k}}_I \times \tilde{\mathbf{E}}_I)$$

#### Reflected wave

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_R(\mathbf{r}, t) = \tilde{\mathbf{E}}_{0R} e^{i(\mathbf{k}_R \cdot \mathbf{r} - \omega t)}$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{B}}_R(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{1}{v_1} (\hat{\mathbf{k}}_R \times \tilde{\mathbf{E}}_R)$$

#### Transmitted wave

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_T(\mathbf{r}, t) = \tilde{\mathbf{E}}_{0T} e^{i(\mathbf{k}_T \cdot \mathbf{r} - \omega t)}$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{B}}_T(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{1}{v_2} (\hat{\mathbf{k}}_T \times \tilde{\mathbf{E}}_T)$$

**Prove!**

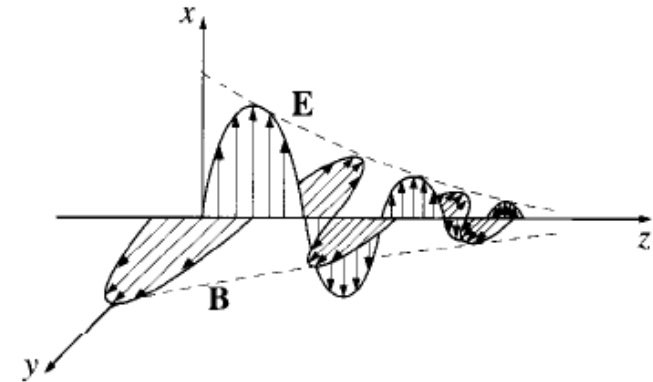
$$R \equiv \frac{I_R}{I_I} = \left( \frac{E_{0R}}{E_{0I}} \right)^2 = \left( \frac{\alpha - \beta}{\alpha + \beta} \right)^2$$

$$T \equiv \frac{I_T}{I_I} = \frac{\epsilon_2 v_2}{c_1 v_1} \left( \frac{E_{0T}}{E_{0I}} \right)^2 \frac{\cos \theta_T}{\cos \theta_I} = \alpha \beta \left( \frac{2}{\alpha + \beta} \right)^2$$

$$\alpha \equiv \frac{\cos \theta_T}{\cos \theta_I} \quad \beta \equiv \frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2} = \frac{\mu_1 n_2}{\mu_2 n_1}$$

# 9.4 Absorption and Dispersion

## 9.4.1 Electromagnetic waves in Conductors



According to Ohm's law, the (free) current density is proportional to the electric field:  $\mathbf{J}_f = \sigma \mathbf{E}$

Maxwell's equations for linear media with no free charge assume the form,

$$\left. \begin{array}{ll} \text{(i)} \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0, & \text{(iii)} \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}, \\ \text{(ii)} \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0, & \text{(iv)} \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu\epsilon \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} + \mu\sigma \mathbf{E}. \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \nabla^2 \mathbf{E} = \mu\epsilon \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2} + \mu\sigma \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} \\ \nabla^2 \mathbf{B} = \mu\epsilon \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{B}}{\partial t^2} + \mu\sigma \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \end{array}$$

Plane-wave solutions are  $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}(z, t) = \tilde{\mathbf{E}}_0 e^{i(\tilde{k}z - \omega t)}$ ,  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(z, t) = \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_0 e^{i(\tilde{k}z - \omega t)}$

complex wavenumber

$$\tilde{k} = k + i\kappa$$

**Prove!**

$$\tilde{k} = \omega \sqrt{\mu\epsilon} \sqrt{1 - i \frac{\sigma}{\omega\epsilon}}$$

$$\tilde{k}^2 = \mu\epsilon\omega^2 + i\mu\sigma\omega$$

$$k \equiv \omega \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon\mu}{2}} \left[ \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\sigma}{c\omega}\right)^2} + 1 \right]^{1/2}$$

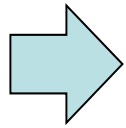
$$\kappa \equiv \omega \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon\mu}{2}} \left[ \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\sigma}{c\omega}\right)^2} - 1 \right]^{1/2}$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}}(z, t) = \tilde{\mathbf{E}}_0 e^{-\kappa z} e^{i(kz - \omega t)}, \quad \tilde{\mathbf{B}}(z, t) = \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_0 e^{-\kappa z} e^{i(kz - \omega t)}$$

The imaginary part,  $\kappa$ , results in an attenuation of the wave (decreasing amplitude with increasing  $z$ ):

$$d \equiv \frac{1}{\kappa}; \quad \text{skin depth}$$

## Determine the relative amplitudes, phases, and polarizations of E and B in conductors



For E field polarized along the x direction,  $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}(z, t) = \tilde{E}_0 e^{-\kappa z} e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \hat{\mathbf{x}}$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \rightarrow \tilde{\mathbf{B}}(z, t) = \frac{\tilde{k}}{\omega} \tilde{E}_0 e^{-\kappa z} e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \hat{\mathbf{y}}$$

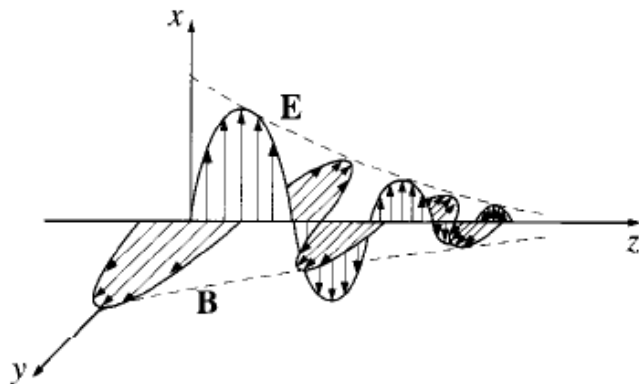
Let's express the complex wavenumber in terms of its modulus and phase

$$\tilde{k} = k + i\kappa = K e^{i\phi} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} K \equiv |\tilde{k}| = \sqrt{k^2 + \kappa^2} = \omega \sqrt{\epsilon \mu \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon \omega}\right)^2}} \\ \phi \equiv \tan^{-1}(\kappa/k) \end{array} \right.$$

$$\tilde{E}_0 = E_0 e^{i\delta_E} \text{ and } \tilde{B}_0 = B_0 e^{i\delta_B} \rightarrow B_0 e^{i\delta_B} = \frac{K e^{i\phi}}{\omega} E_0 e^{i\delta_E}$$

$\rightarrow \delta_B - \delta_E = \phi$ ; **E and B fields are no longer in phase**

**B field lags behind E field.**



$$\rightarrow \frac{B_0}{E_0} = \frac{K}{\omega} = \sqrt{\epsilon \mu \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon \omega}\right)^2}}$$

$\rightarrow$  The (real) electric and magnetic fields are, finally,

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{E}(z, t) = E_0 e^{-\kappa z} \cos(kz - \omega t + \delta_E) \hat{\mathbf{x}}, \\ \mathbf{B}(z, t) = B_0 e^{-\kappa z} \cos(kz - \omega t + \delta_E + \phi) \hat{\mathbf{y}}. \end{array} \right\}$$

## @ Helmholtz equation (wave equation in temporal frequency-domain)

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} &= \mu\epsilon \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2} + \mu\sigma \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} \\ \nabla^2 \mathbf{B} &= \mu\epsilon \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{B}}{\partial t^2} + \mu\sigma \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}\end{aligned} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boxed{\nabla^2 \psi(r, t) - \mu\sigma \frac{\partial \psi(r, t)}{\partial t} - \mu\epsilon \frac{\partial^2 \psi(r, t)}{\partial t^2} = 0}$$

**Scalar wave equation in space-domain**

Let us consider the Fourier transform of the electromagnetic field:  $\psi(\mathbf{r}, t) \leftrightarrow \tilde{\psi}(\mathbf{r}, \omega)$

$$\tilde{\psi}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi(\mathbf{r}, t) e^{-j\omega t} dt \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{\psi}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega$$

$\tilde{\psi}(\mathbf{r}, \omega)$ , frequency spectrum of  $\psi(\mathbf{r}, t)$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} j\omega \tilde{\psi}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla^2 \psi(r, t) - \mu\sigma \frac{\partial \psi(r, t)}{\partial t} - \mu\epsilon \frac{\partial^2 \psi(r, t)}{\partial t^2} = \left( \nabla^2 - \mu\sigma \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \mu\epsilon \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \right) \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{\psi}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [(\nabla^2 - j\omega\mu\sigma + \omega^2\mu\epsilon) \tilde{\psi}(\mathbf{r}, \omega)] e^{j\omega t} d\omega = 0$$

**Helmholtz equation**

$$\boxed{(\nabla^2 + \tilde{k}^2) \tilde{\psi}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) = 0}$$

where  $\tilde{k} = k + j\kappa = \omega\sqrt{\mu\epsilon} \sqrt{1 - j\frac{\sigma}{\omega\epsilon}}$



## @ Frequency-domain Maxwell equations in a source-free space

Using the temporal inverse Fourier transform,

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{\mathbf{E}}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega \quad \text{where} \quad \tilde{\mathbf{E}}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) = \sum_{i=1}^3 \hat{\mathbf{i}}_i \tilde{E}_i(\mathbf{r}, \omega) = \sum_{i=1}^3 \hat{\mathbf{i}}_i |\tilde{E}_i(\mathbf{r}, \omega)| e^{j\xi_i^E(\mathbf{r}, \omega)}$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{J} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \nabla \times \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{\mathbf{D}}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{\mathbf{J}}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [\nabla \times \tilde{\mathbf{H}}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) - j\omega \tilde{\mathbf{D}}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) - \tilde{\mathbf{J}}(\mathbf{r}, \omega)] e^{j\omega t} d\omega = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \nabla \times \tilde{\mathbf{H}} = j\omega \tilde{\mathbf{D}} + \tilde{\mathbf{J}}$$

By similar reasoning, finally we have the frequency-domain equations of

$$\nabla \times \tilde{\mathbf{H}}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) = \tilde{\mathbf{J}}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) + j\omega \tilde{\mathbf{D}}(\mathbf{r}, \omega)$$

$$\nabla \times \tilde{\mathbf{E}}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) = -j\omega \tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{r}, \omega)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{D}}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) = \tilde{\rho}(\mathbf{r}, \omega)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) = 0$$

$$\text{and} \quad \nabla \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{J}}(\mathbf{r}, \omega) = -j\omega \tilde{\rho}(\mathbf{r}, \omega)$$

The frequency-domain equations involve one fewer derivative (the time derivative has been replaced by multiplication by  $j\omega$ ), hence may be easier to solve.

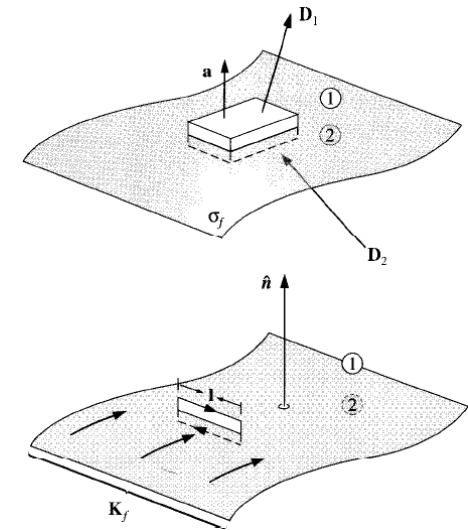
However, the inverse transform may be difficult to compute.

## 9.4.2 Reflection at a conducting surface

The general boundary conditions for electrodynamics;

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad \epsilon_1 E_1^\perp - \epsilon_2 E_2^\perp &= \sigma_f, & \text{(iii)} \quad \mathbf{E}_1^\parallel - \mathbf{E}_2^\parallel &= 0, \\ \text{(ii)} \quad B_1^\perp - B_2^\perp &= 0, & \text{(iv)} \quad \frac{1}{\mu_1} \mathbf{B}_1^\parallel - \frac{1}{\mu_2} \mathbf{B}_2^\parallel &= \mathbf{K}_f \times \hat{\mathbf{n}}, \end{aligned}$$

( $\sigma_f$ : the free surface charge,  $\mathbf{K}_f$ : the free surface current)



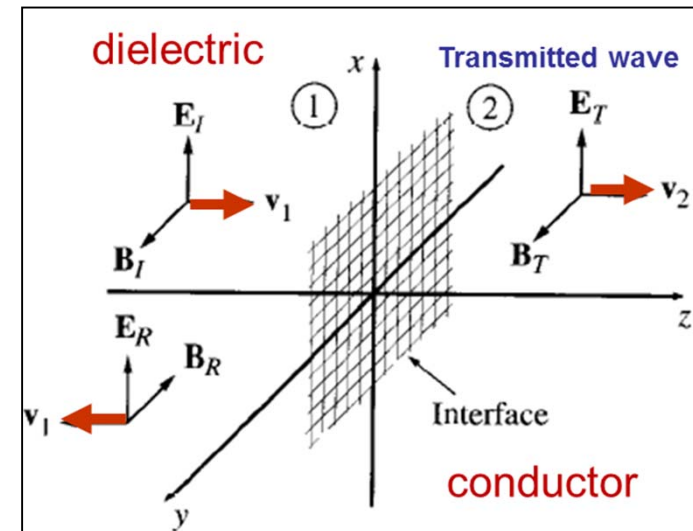
A monochromatic plane wave, traveling in  $z$ , polarized in  $x$ , approaches from the left,

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_I(z, t) = \tilde{E}_{0I} e^{i(k_1 z - \omega t)} \hat{\mathbf{x}}, \quad \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_I(z, t) = \frac{1}{v_1} \tilde{E}_{0I} e^{i(k_1 z - \omega t)} \hat{\mathbf{y}}$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_R(z, t) = \tilde{E}_{0R} e^{i(-k_1 z - \omega t)} \hat{\mathbf{x}}, \quad \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_R(z, t) = -\frac{1}{v_1} \tilde{E}_{0R} e^{i(-k_1 z - \omega t)} \hat{\mathbf{y}}$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_T(z, t) = \tilde{E}_{0T} e^{i(\tilde{k}_2 z - \omega t)} \hat{\mathbf{x}}, \quad \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_T(z, t) = \frac{\tilde{k}_2}{\omega} \tilde{E}_{0T} e^{i(\tilde{k}_2 z - \omega t)} \hat{\mathbf{y}}$$

attenuated as it penetrates into the conductor



Since  $E^\perp = 0$  on both sides, boundary condition (i) yields  $\sigma_f = 0$ .

and (iv) (with  $\mathbf{K}_f = 0$ ) says

$$\tilde{E}_{0I} - \tilde{E}_{0R} = \tilde{\beta} \tilde{E}_{0T} \quad \text{where} \quad \tilde{\beta} \equiv \frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 \omega} \tilde{k}_2 \quad \text{Prove!} \quad \tilde{E}_{0R} = \left( \frac{1 - \tilde{\beta}}{1 + \tilde{\beta}} \right) \tilde{E}_{0I}, \quad \tilde{E}_{0T} = \left( \frac{2}{1 + \tilde{\beta}} \right) \tilde{E}_{0I}$$

### 9.4.3 Frequency dependence of permittivity in dielectric media (Dispersion)

The electrons in a dielectric are bounded to specific molecules.

$$F_{net} = F_{binding} + F_{damping} + F_{driving} = m \frac{d^2 \tilde{x}}{dt^2}$$

$$\frac{d^2 \tilde{x}}{dt^2} + \gamma \frac{d\tilde{x}}{dt} + \omega_0^2 \tilde{x} = \frac{q}{m} E_0 e^{-i\omega t}$$

$$\tilde{x}(t) = \tilde{x}_0 e^{-i\omega t}$$

$$\tilde{x}_0 = \frac{q/m}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2 - i\gamma\omega} E_0 \Rightarrow \tilde{p}(t) = q\tilde{x}(t) = \frac{q^2/m}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2 - i\gamma\omega} E_0 e^{-i\omega t} : \text{dipole moment}$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{P}} = \frac{Nq^2}{m} \left( \sum_j \frac{f_j}{\omega_j^2 - \omega^2 - i\gamma_j\omega} \right) \tilde{\mathbf{E}} \longrightarrow \tilde{\mathbf{P}} = \epsilon_0 \tilde{\chi}_e \tilde{\mathbf{E}} : \text{polarization vector}$$

$$\tilde{\epsilon} = \epsilon_0 (1 + \tilde{\chi}_e) : \text{complex permittivity} \longrightarrow \tilde{k} \equiv \sqrt{\tilde{\epsilon} \mu_0} \omega = k + i\kappa$$

$$\tilde{\epsilon}_r = 1 + \frac{Nq^2}{m\epsilon_0} \sum_j \frac{f_j}{\omega_j^2 - \omega^2 - i\gamma_j\omega}$$

$F_{binding} = -k_{spring}x = -m\omega_0^2 x$

$F_{driving} = qE = qE_0 \cos(\omega t)$

$F_{damping} = -m\gamma \frac{dx}{dt}$

$\alpha \equiv 2\kappa : \text{absorption coefficient}$

$n = \frac{ck}{\omega} : \text{refractive index}$

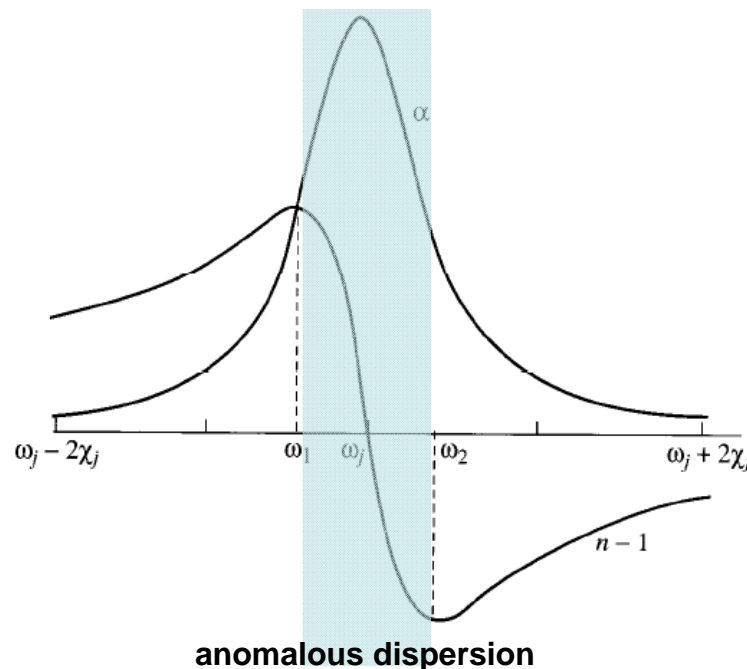
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$$\tilde{\epsilon}_r = 1 + \frac{Nq^2}{m\epsilon_0} \sum_j \frac{f_j}{\omega_j^2 - \omega^2 - i\gamma_j\omega}$$

$$\tilde{k} = \frac{\omega}{c} \sqrt{\tilde{\epsilon}_r} \cong \frac{\omega}{c} \left[ 1 + \frac{Nq^2}{2m\epsilon_0} \sum_j \frac{f_j}{\omega_j^2 - \omega^2 - i\gamma_j\omega} \right]$$

$$n = \frac{ck}{\omega} \cong 1 + \frac{Nq^2}{2m\epsilon_0} \sum_j \frac{f_j(\omega_j^2 - \omega^2)}{(\omega_j^2 - \omega^2)^2 + \gamma_j^2\omega^2}$$

$$\alpha = 2\kappa \cong \frac{Nq^2\omega^2}{m\epsilon_0 c} \sum_j \frac{f_j\gamma_j}{(\omega_j^2 - \omega^2)^2 + \gamma_j^2\omega^2}$$



If you agree to stay away from the resonances, the damping can be ignored

$$n = 1 + \frac{Nq^2}{2m\epsilon_0} \sum_j \frac{f_j}{\omega_j^2 - \omega^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{\omega_j^2 - \omega^2} = \frac{1}{\omega_j^2} \left( 1 - \frac{\omega^2}{\omega_j^2} \right)^{-1} \cong \frac{1}{\omega_j^2} \left( 1 + \frac{\omega^2}{\omega_j^2} \right)$$

$$n = 1 + \left( \frac{Nq^2}{2m\epsilon_0} \sum_j \frac{f_j}{\omega_j^2} \right) + \omega^2 \left( \frac{Nq^2}{2m\epsilon_0} \sum_j \frac{f_j}{\omega_j^4} \right)$$

$$n = 1 + A \left( 1 + \frac{B}{\lambda^2} \right) \quad (\lambda = 2\pi c/\omega)$$

**Cauchy's formula**