

# ELEC353 Lecture Notes Set 17

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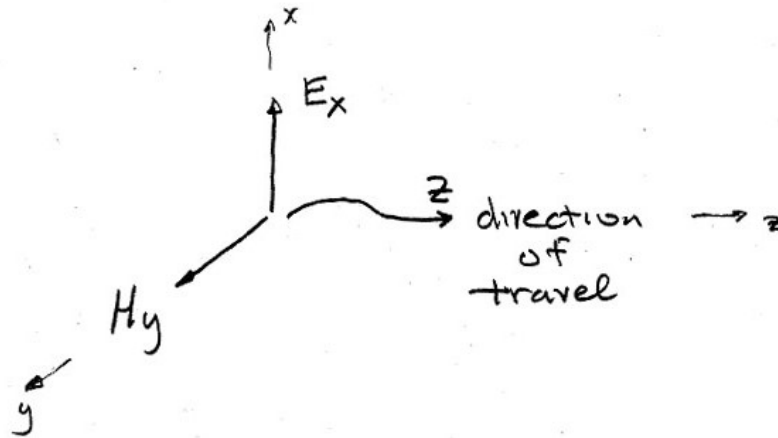
# Topics to be Covered

## Plane Waves

- Maxwell's Equations and the Wave Equation - done
- Plane waves - done
- Material Boundaries - today
- Transmission Through a Wall

## Antennas

## Review: Plane Waves in Lossless Media



$$\nabla^2 \bar{E} = -\beta^2 \bar{E}$$

$$\bar{E} = \hat{a}_x E_x(z)$$

$$\frac{d^2 E_x}{dz^2} = -\beta^2 E_x$$

$$E_x(z) = E_x^+ e^{-j\beta z} + E_x^- e^{j\beta z}$$

$$H_y(z) = \frac{1}{\eta} E_x^+ e^{-j\beta z} - \frac{1}{\eta} E_x^- e^{j\beta z}$$

## Review: Plane Waves in Lossless Media

$$\gamma = \alpha + j\beta = \sqrt{j\omega\mu(\sigma + j\omega\epsilon)} = \sqrt{j\omega\mu(j\omega\epsilon)} = j\omega\sqrt{\mu\epsilon} = 0 + j\beta$$

- $\alpha = \text{Re}(\gamma) = 0$  in lossless materials
- $\beta = \text{Im}(\gamma) = \omega\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}$  in lossless materials

$$\eta = \sqrt{\frac{j\omega\mu}{\sigma + j\omega\epsilon}} = \sqrt{\frac{j\omega\mu}{j\omega\epsilon}} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\epsilon}} \text{ ohms}$$

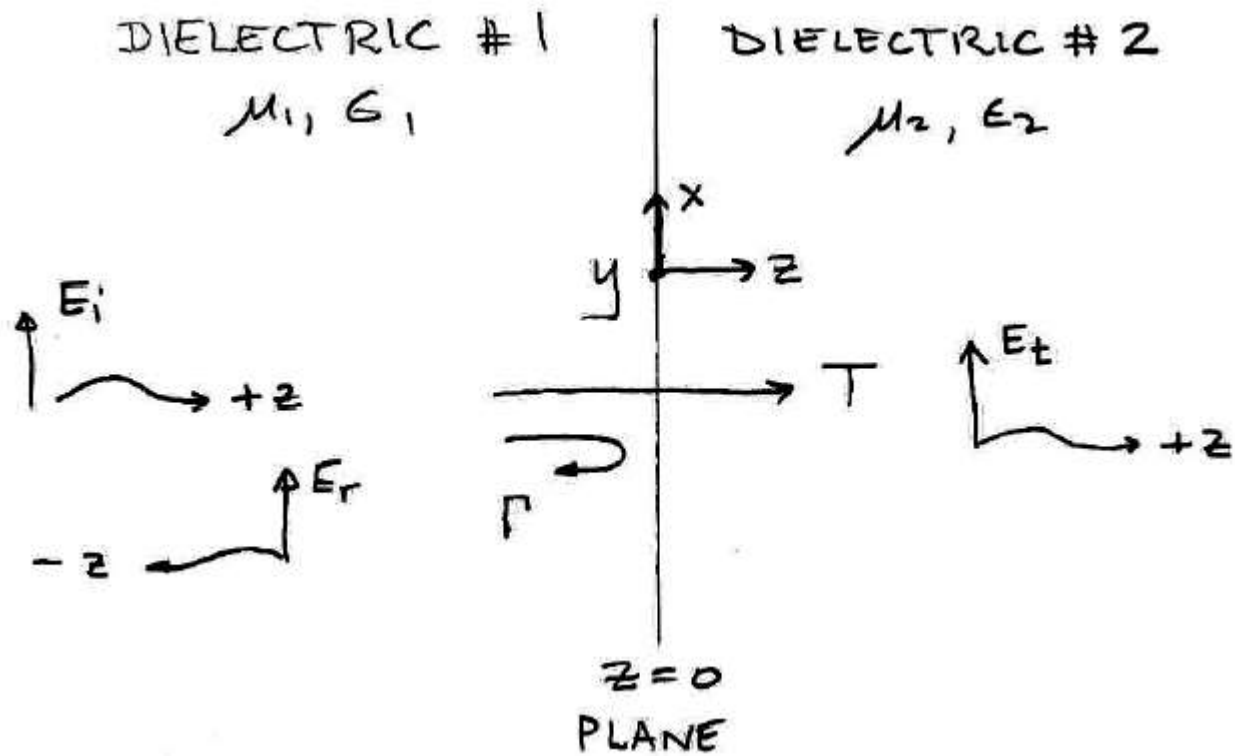
- For free space,  $\eta_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}} = 376.734 \approx 377 \text{ ohms}$

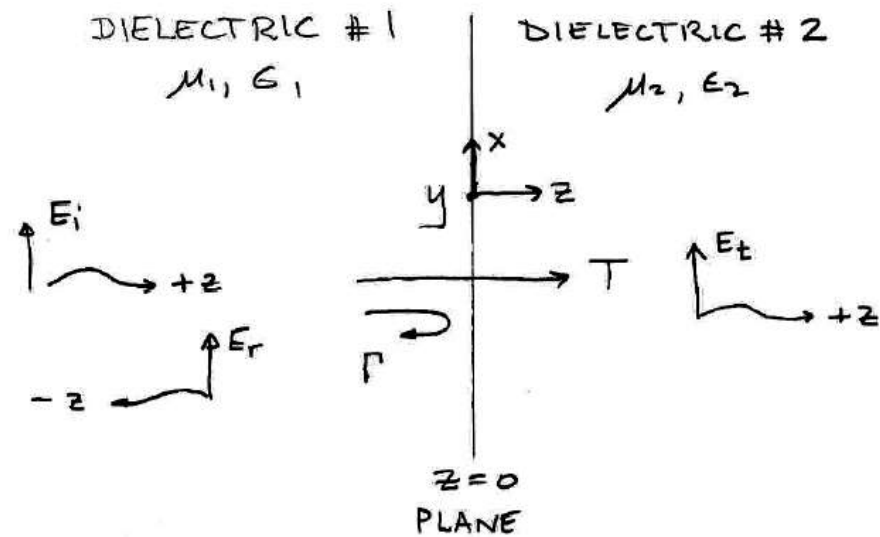
$$\text{Speed of travel } u = \frac{\omega}{\beta} = \frac{\omega}{\omega\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}} \text{ m/s}$$

- For free space,  $c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_0\epsilon_0}} = 2.997929458 \times 10^8 \approx 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$

$$\text{Wavelength } \lambda = \frac{2\pi}{\beta} = \frac{2\pi}{\omega\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}} = \frac{1/\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}}{\omega/(2\pi)} = \frac{u}{f} \text{ meters}$$

# Material Boundaries





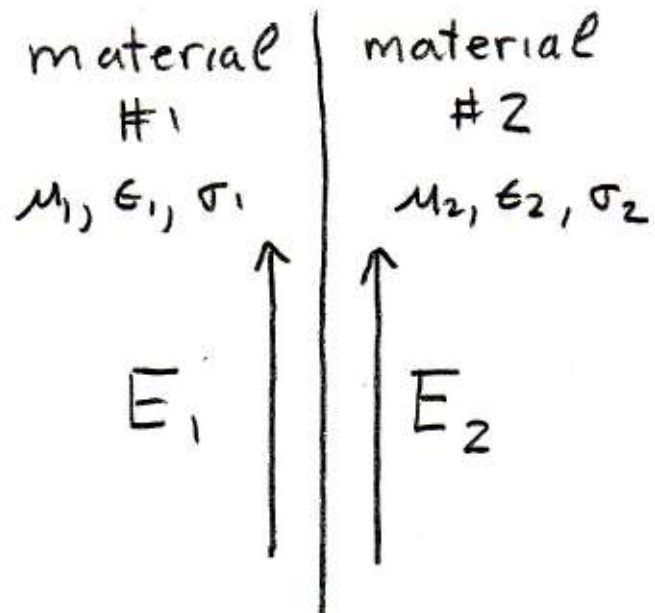
## Reflection of Plane Waves from a Dielectric Half Space

(Inan and Inan page 692 and 698)

Transmission Line Analogy

# Boundary Conditions

How are the fields in material #1 very close to the boundary related to the fields in material #2 very close to the boundary?



## Electric Fields

Inan and Inan page 361

Faraday's Law:

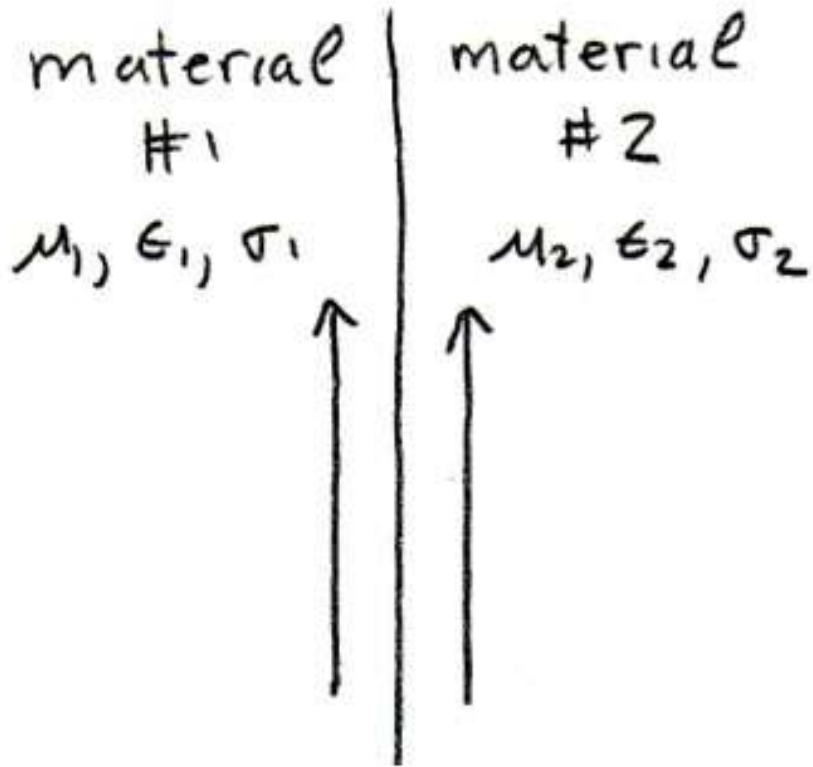
$$\oint \bar{E} \cdot d\bar{l} = -j\omega\mu \iint \bar{H} \cdot d\bar{s}$$

# Magnetic Fields

Inan and Inan page 535

Ampere's Law

$$\oint \bar{H} \cdot d\bar{l} = \iint \bar{J} \cdot d\bar{s}$$

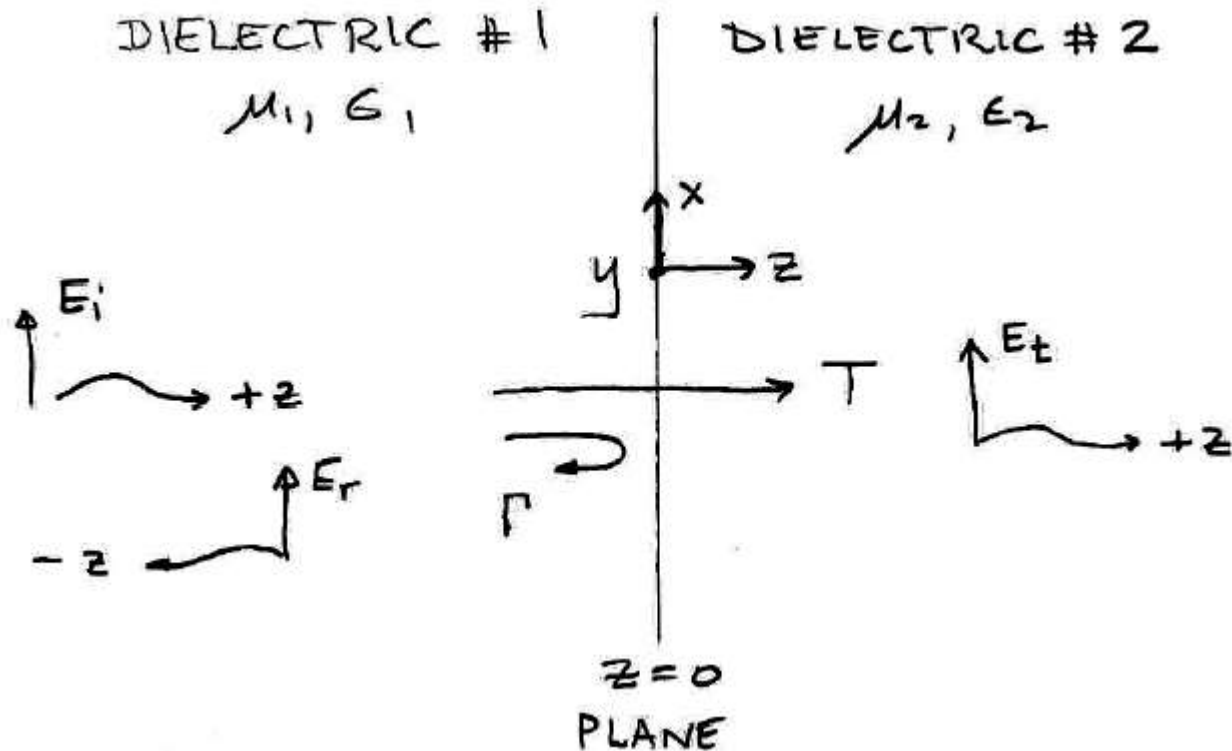


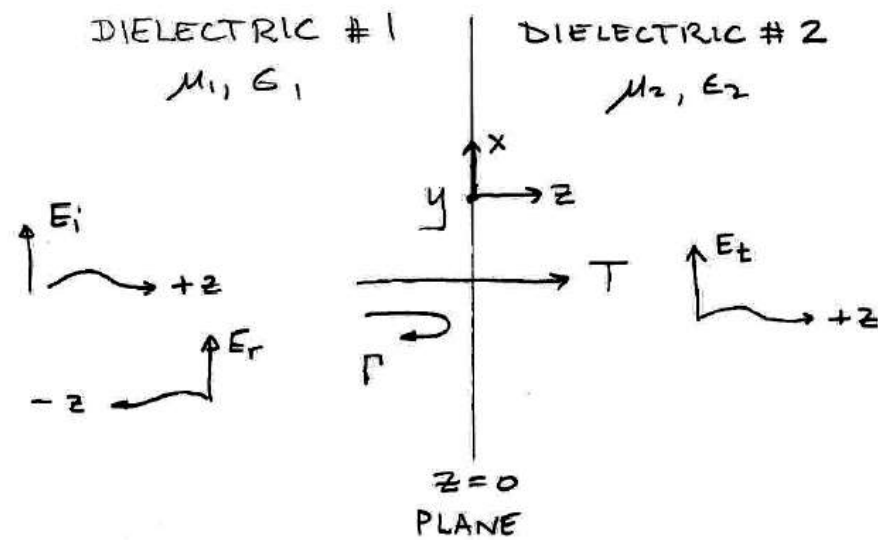


# Material Boundaries

How are the fields on side #1 of the boundary related to the fields on side #2 of the boundary?

- Tangential component of  $E$  is continuous across the boundary
- Tangential component of  $H$  is continuous across the boundary





$$\beta_1 = \omega \sqrt{\mu_1 \epsilon_1}$$

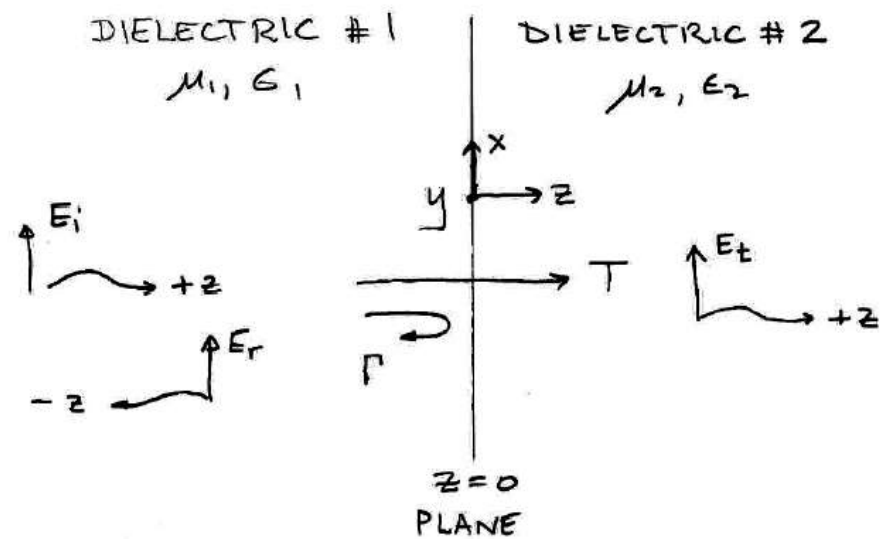
$$\beta_2 = \omega \sqrt{\mu_2 \epsilon_2}$$

$$\bar{E}_1 = \text{incident} + \text{reflected} = \hat{a}_x E_i e^{-j\beta_1 z} + \hat{a}_x E_r e^{j\beta_1 z}$$

$$\bar{E}_2 = \hat{a}_x E_t e^{-j\beta_2 z}$$

$$\bar{H}_1 = \hat{a}_y \frac{1}{\eta_1} E_i e^{-j\beta_1 z} - \hat{a}_y \frac{1}{\eta_1} E_r e^{j\beta_1 z}$$

$$\bar{H}_2 = \hat{a}_y \frac{1}{\eta_2} E_t e^{-j\beta_2 z}$$



$$E_{1x} = E_i e^{-j\beta_1 z} + E_r e^{j\beta_1 z}$$

$$E_{2x} = E_t e^{-j\beta_2 z}$$

$$H_{1y} = \frac{1}{\eta_1} E_i e^{-j\beta_1 z} - \frac{1}{\eta_1} E_r e^{j\beta_1 z}$$

$$H_{2y} = \frac{1}{\eta_2} E_t e^{-j\beta_2 z}$$

What are the fields very near the interface between the two dielectrics?  
At  $z=0$ :

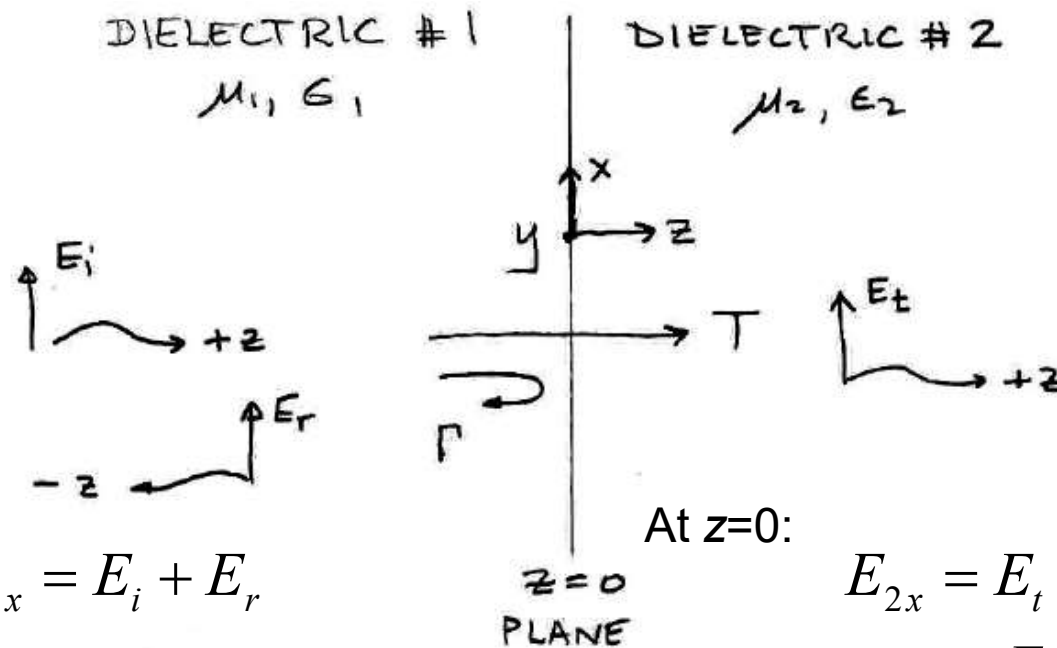
$$E_{1x} = E_i + E_r$$

$$E_{2x} = E_t$$

$$H_{1y} = \frac{1}{\eta_1} E_i - \frac{1}{\eta_1} E_r$$

$$H_{2y} = \frac{1}{\eta_2} E_t$$

# Enforce the boundary conditions:



At  $z=0$ :

$$E_{1x} = E_i + E_r$$

$$H_{1y} = \frac{E_i}{\eta_1} - \frac{E_r}{\eta_1}$$

At  $z=0$ :

$$E_{2x} = E_t$$

$$H_{2y} = \frac{E_t}{\eta_2}$$

$E_{\text{tan}}$  must be continuous at  $z=0$ :

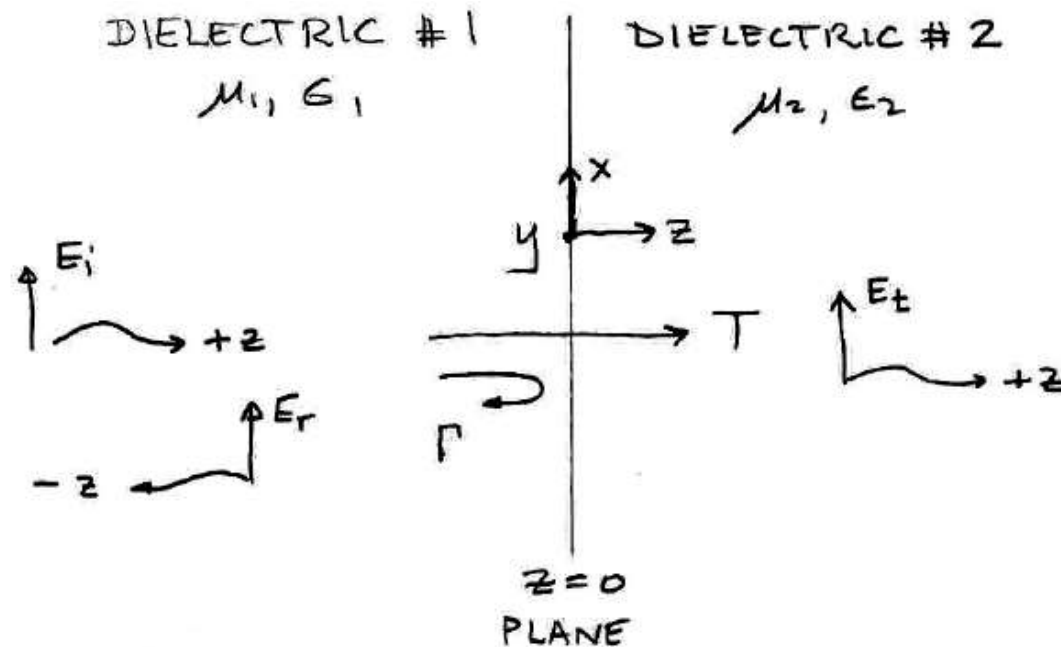
$$E_{1x} = E_{2x}$$

$$E_i + E_r = E_t$$

$H_{\text{tan}}$  must be continuous at  $z=0$ :

$$H_{1y} = H_{2y}$$

$$\frac{E_i}{\eta_1} - \frac{E_r}{\eta_1} = \frac{E_t}{\eta_2}$$



**Find the Reflected Field and the Transmitted Field:**

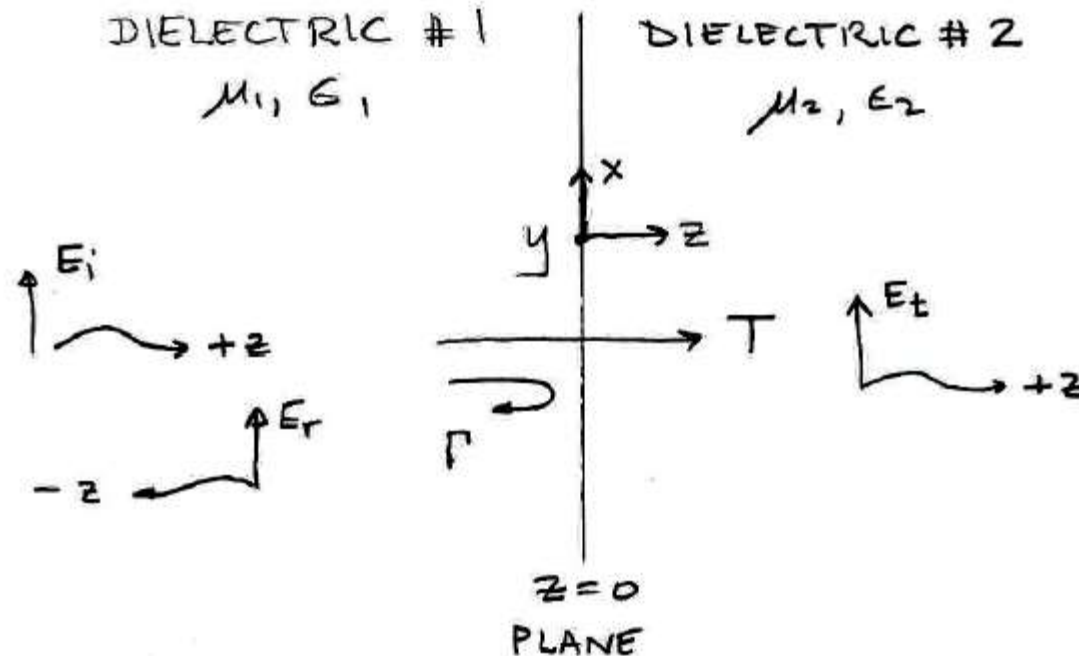
$$E_i + E_r = E_t \qquad \frac{E_i}{\eta_1} - \frac{E_r}{\eta_1} = \frac{E_t}{\eta_2}$$

We can solve these equations to learn that

$$E_r = \Gamma E_i \text{ where the reflection coefficient is } \Gamma = \frac{\eta_2 - \eta_1}{\eta_2 + \eta_1}$$

$$E_t = T E_i \text{ where the transmission coefficient is } T = \frac{2\eta_2}{\eta_1 + \eta_2}$$

# Example



A plane wave in air has amplitude  $E_i = 10$  V/m at 1.9 GHz. It is normally incident on the surface of a half-space filled with concrete, with relative permittivity  $\epsilon_r = 6.11$  and conductivity  $\sigma = 153$  mS/m. Find:

- 1) The intrinsic impedance of air and the concrete.
- 2) The transmission coefficient  $T$ .
- 3) The complex amplitude of the transmitted field,  $E_t = TE_i$ .
- 4) The propagation constant in the concrete.
- 5) The attenuation constant in the concrete.
- 6) The distance the transmitted wave must travel before its amplitude is reduced to 1 mV/m.

## Solution

### Remarks:

- If the problem does not mention the permeability, then assume the materials are “non-magnetic” with  $\mu_r = 1$ .
- “Normally incident” means that the direction of travel of the plane wave is perpendicular to the surface of the dielectric half space.

1) For air,  $\eta_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}} = 376.73 \text{ ohms}$ .

For the concrete:

- Evaluate the radian frequency:  $\omega = 2\pi f = 2\pi \cdot 1900 \times 10^6 = 1.1938 \times 10^{10} \text{ rad/sec}$ .
- Evaluate the intrinsic impedance:

$$\eta_2 = \sqrt{\frac{j\omega\mu}{\sigma + j\omega\epsilon}}$$

$$\eta_2 = \sqrt{\frac{j \cdot 1.1938 \times 10^{10} \cdot 4\pi \times 10^{-7}}{153 \times 10^{-3} + j \cdot 1.1938 \times 10^{10} \cdot 6.11 \cdot 8.854 \times 10^{-12}}}$$

$$\eta_2 = 149.33 + j17.44 \text{ ohms}$$

$$\eta_0 = 376.73 \quad \eta_2 = 149.33 + j17.44$$

2) Evaluate the transmission coefficient:

$$T = \frac{2\eta_2}{\eta_2 + \eta_0} = \frac{2(149.33 + j17.44)}{149.33 + j17.44 + 376.73} = 0.5693 + j0.04749$$

3) Evaluate the transmitted field amplitude:

$$E_t = TE_i = 10 \times (0.5693 + j0.04749) = 5.693 + j0.4749 \text{ V/m}$$

So the amplitude of the transmitted wave is

$$|E_t| = |5.693 + j0.4749| = 5.713 \text{ V/m}$$

4) Evaluate the propagation constant:

$$\gamma = \sqrt{j\omega\mu(\sigma + j\omega\epsilon)}$$

$$\gamma = \sqrt{(j \cdot 1.1938 \times 10^{10} \cdot 4\pi \times 10^{-7}) (153 \times 10^{-3} + j \cdot 1.1938 \times 10^{10} \cdot 6.11 \cdot 8.854 \times 10^{-12})}$$

$$\gamma = 11.58 + j99.11$$

5) Evaluate the attenuation constant:

$$\alpha = \text{Re}(\gamma) = 11.58 \text{ (note penetration depth} = \frac{1}{\alpha} = 8.64 \text{ cm)}$$



6) Find the distance the transmitted wave must travel before its amplitude is reduced to 1 mV/m.

- The transmitted wave is

$$E_2(z) = E_t e^{-\gamma z} = E_t e^{-\alpha z} e^{-j\beta z}$$

- So the amplitude of the transmitted wave is

$$|E_2(z)| = |E_t| e^{-\alpha z}$$

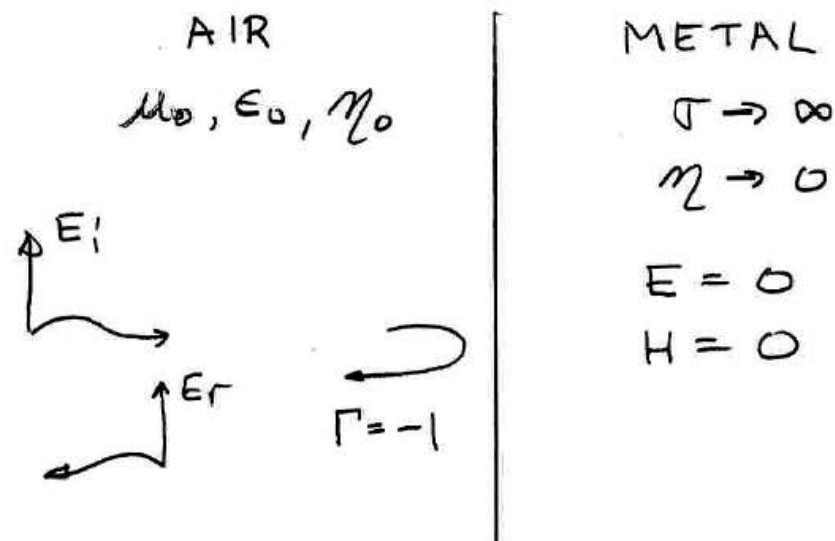
$$\text{where } |E_t| = |5.693 + j0.4749| = 5.713 \text{ V/m}$$

- To find the required distance, set  $|E_2(z)| = 0.001 \text{ V/m}$  and solve

$$0.001 = 5.713 e^{-11.58z}$$

$$z = \frac{1}{11.58} \ln\left(\frac{5.71}{0.001}\right) = 74.7 \text{ cm}$$

## Special Case: Air to Metal Interface



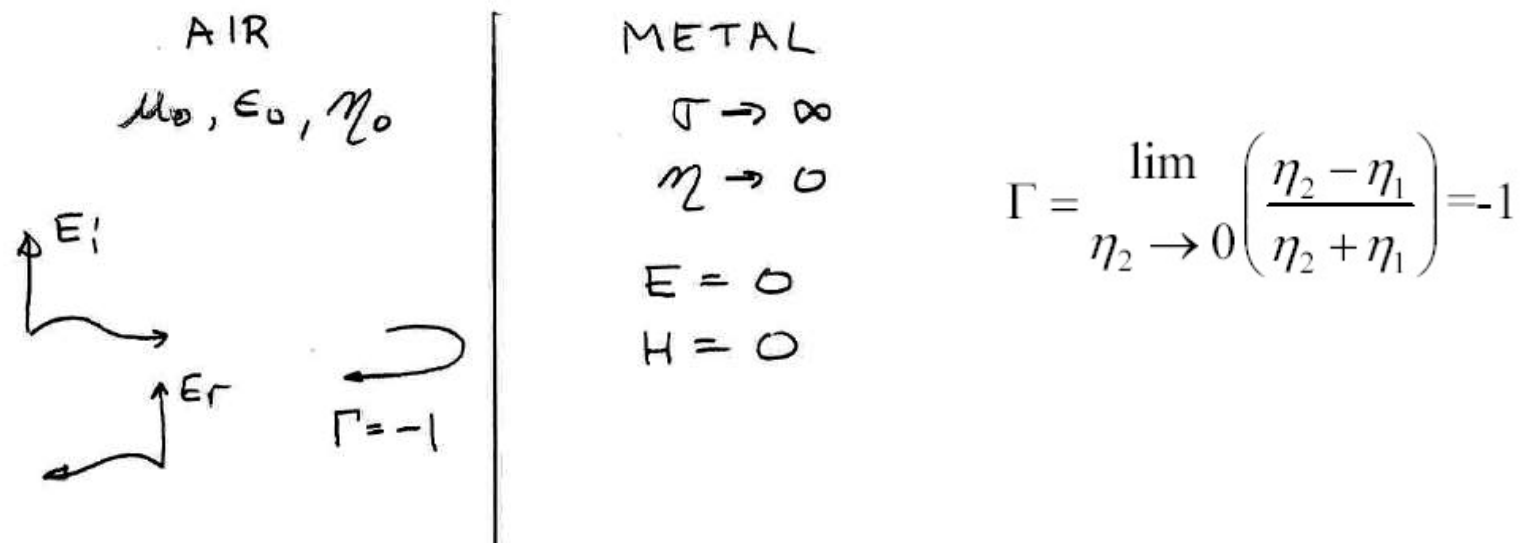
- Suppose material #1 is air and material #2 is a sheet of metal, which we will consider to be a perfect conductor,  $\sigma \rightarrow \infty$ .
- The intrinsic impedance of the perfect conductor is

$$\eta_2 = \lim_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{\frac{j\omega\mu}{\sigma + j\omega\epsilon}} = 0$$

- So the reflection coefficient is

$$\Gamma = \lim_{\eta_2 \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{\eta_2 - \eta_1}{\eta_2 + \eta_1} \right) = -1$$

- So for a perfect conductor we have perfect reflection.
- The reflected field is equal and opposite to the incident field,  $E_r = -E_i$ .



- We can write the field in the air as

$$E_{1x} = E_i (e^{-j\beta z} - e^{j\beta z})$$

- This will give rise to a “standing-wave pattern” similar to those we found on transmission lines.
- There will be a minimum at the surface of the metal,  $z = 0$ , where the field is equal to zero:

$$E_{1x}(z = 0) = E_i (e^{-j\beta 0} - e^{j\beta 0}) = 0$$

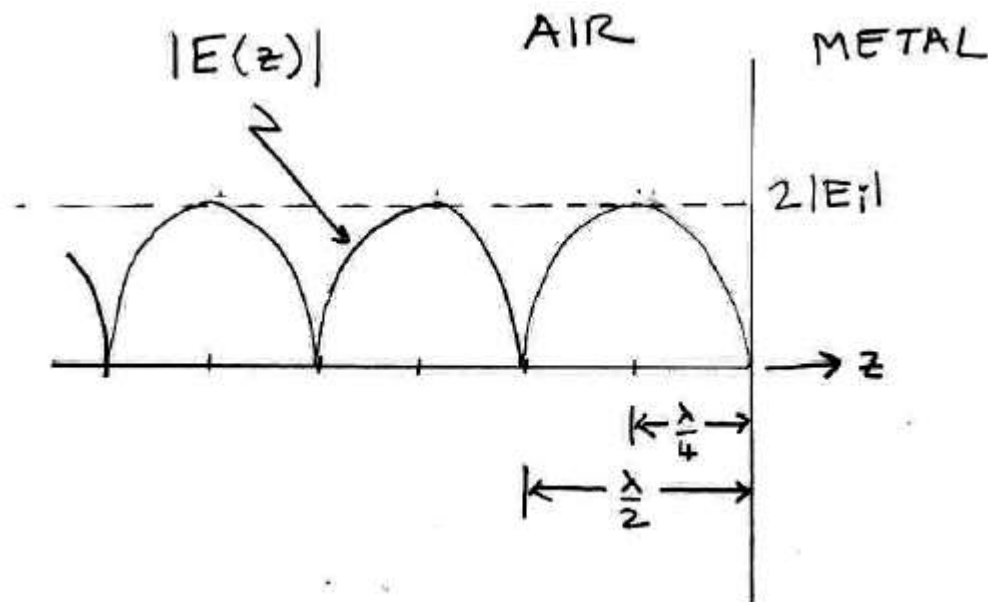
- Where else will there be minima and maxima?

$$E_{1x} = E_i (e^{-j\beta z} - e^{j\beta z})$$

$$E_{1x} = E_i (e^{-j\beta z} - e^{j\beta z}) = E_i ((\cos \beta z - j \sin \beta z) - (\cos \beta z + j \sin \beta z))$$

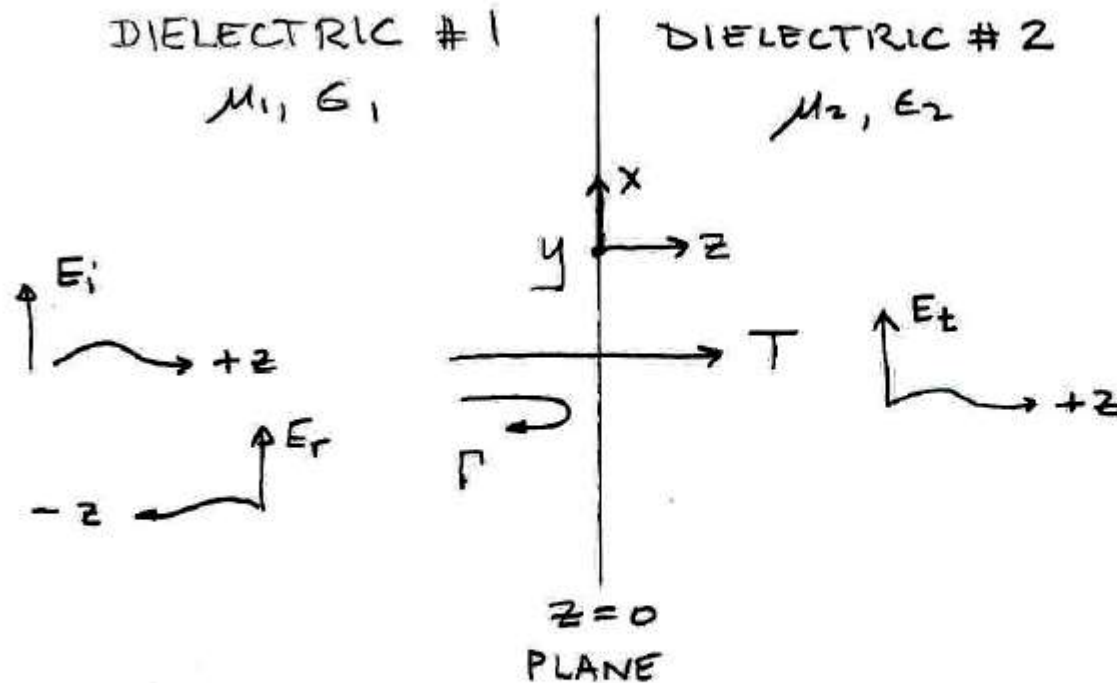
$$E_{1x} = -2jE_i \sin \beta z$$

$$|E_{1x}| = 2|E_i| |\sin \beta z|$$



- The standing-wave pattern has a null at the surface of the metal ( $z = 0$ ) and at half-wavelength intervals from the surface.
- It has a maximum a quarter-wavelength from the surface, and at half-wavelength intervals.

## Standing-Wave Patterns



- For transmission line circuits we investigated “standing waves”.
- It is useful to look into standing waves for fields, as well.
- The electric field in material #1 is

$$E_{1x} = E_i e^{-j\beta_1 z} + E_r e^{j\beta_1 z}$$

$$E_{1,x} = E_i e^{-j\beta_1 z} + E_r e^{j\beta_1 z}$$

- At some locations  $z$ , the incident field  $E_i e^{-j\beta_1 z}$  is in phase with the reflected field  $E_r e^{j\beta_1 z}$  and then the incident field and the reflected field add up, and the field strength is  $|E_i| + |E_r|$ .
- At other locations, the incident field is 180 degrees out of phase with the reflected field, and the waves subtract, and so the field strength is  $\left| |E_i| - |E_r| \right|$ .

$$SWR = \frac{|E_i| + |E_r|}{\left| |E_i| - |E_r| \right|}$$

$$E_r = \Gamma E_i \quad SWR = \frac{1 + |\Gamma|}{1 - |\Gamma|}$$

## Position of the Maxima

$$E_{1x} = E_i e^{-j\beta_1 z} + \Gamma E_i e^{j\beta_1 z}$$

$$\Gamma = |\Gamma| e^{j\phi}$$

$$E_{1x} = E_i e^{-j\beta_1 z} (1 + |\Gamma| e^{j\phi} e^{j2\beta_1 z})$$

$$\phi + 2\beta_1 z = \pm 2n\pi \text{ for } n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$\beta_1 = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_1}$$

$$z_{\max} = -\frac{\phi}{2\pi} \frac{\lambda}{2} \pm n \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

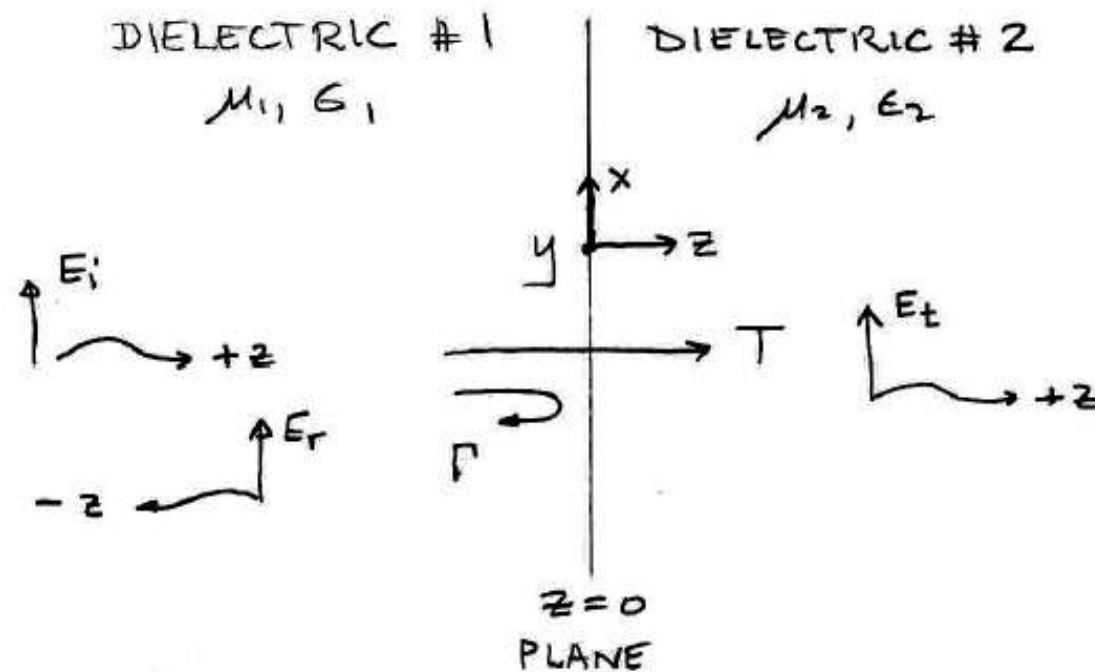
## Position of the Minima

$$\phi + 2\beta_1 z = \pm 2n\pi \pm \pi = \pm(2n+1)\pi \text{ for } n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$z_{\min} = -\frac{\phi}{2\pi} \frac{\lambda}{2} \pm (2n+1) \frac{\lambda}{4}$$

Distance between the minima and the maxima:

$$z_{\max} - z_{\min} = \pm \frac{\lambda}{4}$$



### Example

A plane wave in air at 2450 MHz is incident on the surface of an infinite half-space of brick material, with  $\epsilon_r = 5.1$  and zero conductivity. The amplitude of the incident electric field is 10 volts/meter.

- (i) What are the reflection coefficient and the transmission coefficient?
- (ii) What is the amplitude of the field transmitted into the brick material?
- (iii) What is the amplitude of the reflected field?
- (iv) What is the maximum value of the standing wave in the air, and how far is the maximum from the surface of the brick?
- (v) What is the standing-wave ratio?



## Solution

- The intrinsic impedance of the air is  $\eta_0 = 376.7$  ohms.
- Evaluate the intrinsic impedance of the brick:

$$\eta_2 = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_r \epsilon_0}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}} \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}} = \frac{376.7}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}} = \frac{376.7}{\sqrt{5.1}} = 166.8 \text{ ohms}$$

- You can run WAVES to find the value as 166.82 ohms, which agrees with our “theoretical” calculation. (Use F6 in WAVES).
- Evaluate the reflection coefficient:

$$\Gamma = \frac{\eta_2 - \eta_1}{\eta_2 + \eta_1} = \frac{\eta_2 - \eta_0}{\eta_2 + \eta_0} = \frac{166.8 - 376.7}{166.8 + 376.7} = -0.3862$$

- The WAVES program reports the value as -0.3862, exactly the same.
- Evaluate the transmission coefficient:

$$T = \frac{2\eta_2}{\eta_1 + \eta_2} = \frac{2\eta_2}{\eta_0 + \eta_2} = \frac{2 \times 166.8}{166.8 + 376.7} = 0.6138$$

- WAVES reports the value as 0.6138, exactly the same.

- The transmitted field is  $E_t = TE_i$  where  $E_i = 10$  V/m so

$$E_t = TE_i = 0.6138 \times 10 = 6.138 \text{ V/m}$$

- The reflected field is  $E_r = \Gamma E_i$  where  $E_i = 10$  V/m so

$$E_r = \Gamma E_i = -0.3862 \times 10 = -3.862 \text{ V/m}$$

- The field in the air is the sum of the incident field plus the reflected field:

$$E = 10e^{-j\beta z} - 3.862e^{j\beta z}$$

- We can write this as

$$E = 10e^{-j\beta z} + 3.862e^{j\pi}e^{j\beta z}$$

or

$$E = 10e^{-j\beta z} + 3.862e^{j(\beta z + \pi)}$$

Maximum value:

$$E = 10 + 3.862 = 13.862$$

Minimum value:

$$E = 10 - 3.862 = 6.138$$

- The standing-wave ratio is

$$\text{SWR} = \frac{E_{\max}}{E_{\min}} = \frac{13.862}{10 - 3.862} = \frac{13.862}{6.138} = 2.26$$

## Find the location of the maximum value:

$$E = 10e^{-j\beta z} + 3.862e^{j(\beta z + \pi)}$$

- There is a maximum in the standing-wave pattern when the incident wave is in phase with the reflected wave.
- The waves are in phase when the difference between their phase angles is zero:

$$-\beta z - (\beta z + \pi) = 0$$

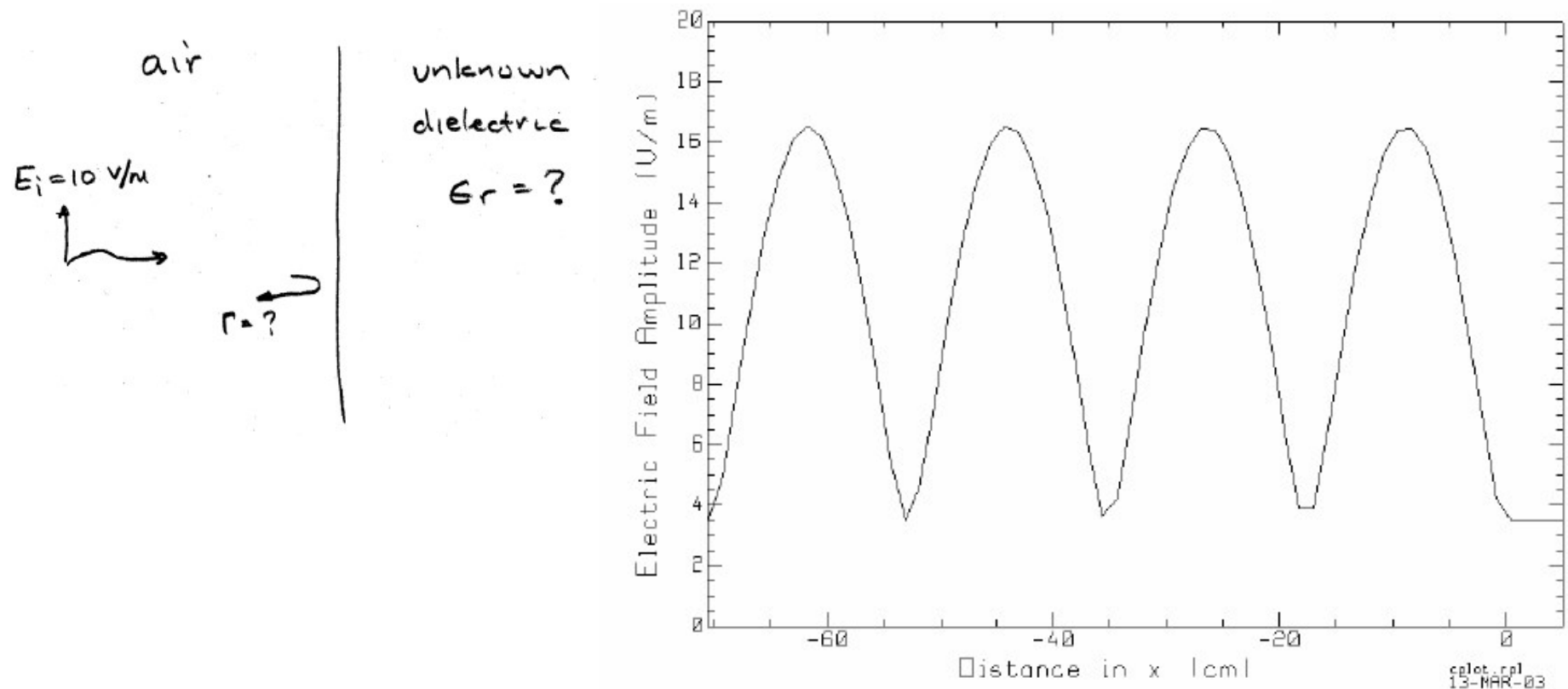
$$-2\beta z - \pi = 0$$

$$z = \frac{-\pi}{2\beta} = \frac{-\pi}{2\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}} = -\frac{\lambda}{4}$$

- So the field is a maximum at  $z = -\lambda/4$ , and at half-wavelength intervals from this location.

## Example

Use a Standing-Wave Pattern to Find the Permittivity of Medium #2



A plane wave in air at 850 MHz of amplitude 10 V/m is “normally” incident on the surface of a dielectric of unknown permittivity. We would like to find the permittivity.

An engineer uses a field-strength meter to measure the standing wave pattern as shown above, where the surface of the dielectric is at  $x=0$  cm. There is a minimum in the standing wave pattern at  $x=0$  of value 3.67 V/m. The maximum electric field strength is 16.51 V/m. Find the permittivity of the dielectric.

### Solution

- The standing-wave ratio is

$$SWR = \frac{16.51}{3.67} = 4.50$$

- Since  $SWR = \frac{1+|\Gamma|}{1-|\Gamma|}$ , we can solve for  $|\Gamma|$  to find

$$|\Gamma| = \frac{SWR-1}{SWR+1} = \frac{4.50-1}{4.50+1} = 0.636 \quad \text{where } \Gamma = |\Gamma|\angle\phi = 0.636\angle\phi$$

- What is the value of  $\phi$ , the angle of the reflection coefficient?

- Since material #2 is lossless, we have  $\sigma = 0$  and  $\eta_2 = \sqrt{\frac{j\omega\mu_2}{\sigma_2 + j\omega\epsilon_2}} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_2}{\epsilon_2}}$

is real.

- Also, since  $\epsilon_2 = \epsilon_r \epsilon_0$  we have  $\eta_2 = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_2}{\epsilon_2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}} \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}} = \frac{\eta_0}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}}$

- Since  $\varepsilon_r > 1$ , we have  $\eta_2 = \frac{\eta_0}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_r}} < \eta_0$
- So  $\Gamma = \frac{\eta_2 - \eta_0}{\eta_2 + \eta_0} < 1$ , meaning that  $\Gamma$  is negative so the angle of  $\Gamma = |\Gamma|e^{j\phi}$  must be  $\phi = \pi$ .
- Since the magnitude of  $\Gamma$  is  $|\Gamma| = 0.636$  and the angle of  $\Gamma$  is  $\phi = \pi$ , we have  $\Gamma = 0.636e^{j\pi} = -0.636$
- Since  $\Gamma = \frac{\eta_2 - \eta_1}{\eta_2 + \eta_1}$ , we have

$$\eta_1 = \eta_0$$

$$\eta_2 = \eta_0 \frac{1 + \Gamma}{1 - \Gamma} = 376.7 \frac{1 - 0.636}{1 + 0.636} = 83.81 \text{ ohms}$$

- Finally,  $\eta_2 = \frac{\eta_0}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_r}}$ , so  $\varepsilon_r = \frac{\eta_0^2}{\eta_2^2} = \left( \frac{376.7}{83.81} \right)^2 = 20.2$