

1. The cycle-average theorem: show that if  $A$  and  $B$  are two complex quantities which both vary with time as  $e^{-i\omega t}$  then the average over a cycle of the oscillation of the product of the real parts of  $A$  and  $B$  is given by

$$\langle \text{Re}[A] \times \text{Re}[B] \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \text{Re}(AB^*),$$

where the star denotes complex conjugation.

2. In free space, an electric field is given as

$$\mathbf{E}(r, \theta, \phi, t) = \frac{A \sin \theta}{r} \left( \cos(kr - \omega t) - \frac{\sin(kr - \omega t)}{kr} \right) \hat{e}_\phi$$

with  $k = \omega/c$ .

- Show that the electric field  $\mathbf{E}$  obeys Gauss's law
  - The magnetic field induction  $\mathbf{B}$
  - Verify the magnetic field induction  $\mathbf{B}$  is solenoidal
  - Determine the poynting vector
3. A uniform plane wave in air with  $\mathbf{E} = 8 \hat{e}_y e^{-i(\omega t - 4x - 3z)}$  V/m is incident on a dielectric slab ( $z \geq 0$ ) with  $\mu_r = 1.0$ ,  $\epsilon_r = 2.5$ ,  $\sigma = 0$ . Find
- The polarization of the wave
  - The angle of incidence
  - The reflected  $\mathbf{E}$  field
  - The transmitted  $\mathbf{H}$  field.
4. Light of angular frequency  $\omega$  passes from medium 1, through a slab (thickness  $d$ ) of medium 2 and into medium 3 (for instance, from water through glass into air as shown in the figure). All three media are linear and homogeneous. Assume  $\mu_1 = \mu_2 = \mu_3 = \mu_0$ . Show that the transmission coefficient for normal incidence is given by

$$T = \left[ \frac{1}{4n_1 n_2} \left\{ (n_1 + n_3)^2 + \frac{(n_1^2 - n_2^2)(n_3^2 - n_2^2)}{n_2^2} \sin^2 \left( \frac{n_2 \omega d}{c} \right) \right\} \right]^{-1}$$

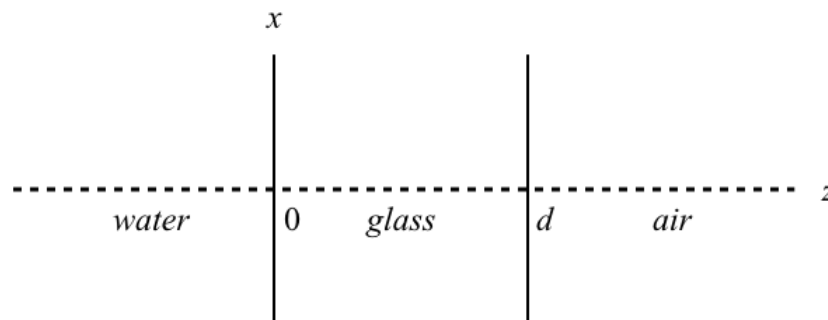


Figure 1: Problem 4

- Take home exercise from D J Griffiths's 3rd edition book

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Solution 1:

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Let

$$A = (A_1 + iA_2) e^{-i\omega t}$$

$$B = (B_1 + iB_2) e^{-i\omega t}$$

$$\text{Re}(A) = A_1 \cos \omega t + A_2 \sin \omega t$$

$$\text{Re}(B) = B_1 \cos \omega t + B_2 \sin \omega t$$

$$\text{Re}(A) \times \text{Re}(B) = (A_1 \cos \omega t + A_2 \sin \omega t) \times (B_1 \cos \omega t + B_2 \sin \omega t)$$

$$= (A_1 \times B_1) \cos^2 \omega t + (A_2 \times B_2) \sin^2 \omega t$$

$$+ [(A_1 \times B_2) \cos \omega t \sin \omega t] + [(A_2 \times B_1) \cos \omega t \sin \omega t]$$

Region (2)

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} A \times \operatorname{Re} B &= (A_1 \times B_1) \cos^2 \omega t + (A_2 \times B_2) \sin^2 \omega t \\ &+ [(A_1 \times B_2) + (A_2 \times B_1)] \sin \omega t \cos \omega t \end{aligned}$$

Average over a cycle

$$\overline{\operatorname{Re} A \times \operatorname{Re} B} = \frac{1}{2} [A_1 \times B_1 + A_2 \times B_2]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re} (A \times B^*)$$

Ans

Average values of  
 $\cos^2 \omega t = \sin^2 \omega t = \frac{1}{2}$

$\sin \omega t \cos \omega t = 0$

Let's check

$$\operatorname{Re} (AB^*)$$

$$AB^* = (A_1 + iA_2)e^{-i\omega t} \times (B_1 - iB_2)e^{i\omega t}$$

$$= (A_1 + iA_2) \times (B_1 - iB_2)$$

$$= A_1 B_1 - i A_1 B_2 - i^2 A_2 B_2 + i A_2 B_1$$

$$AB^* = A_1 B_1 + A_2 B_2 + i(A_2 B_1 - A_1 B_2)$$

$$\operatorname{Re} (AB^*) = A_1 B_1 + A_2 B_2$$

Hence

$$\overline{\operatorname{Re} A \times \operatorname{Re} B} = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re} (AB^*)$$

Solution 2:

•  $\vec{E}(r, \theta, \phi, t) = E_\phi \hat{e}_\phi$ , where

$$E_\phi = \frac{A \sin \theta}{r} \left( \cos \psi - \frac{\sin \psi}{kr} \right)$$

$$\psi = kr - \omega t$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} E_\phi = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = -\nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \begin{vmatrix} \hat{e}_r & r \hat{e}_\theta & r \sin \theta \hat{e}_\phi \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} & \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \\ 0 & 0 & r \sin \theta E_\phi \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \left\{ \hat{e}_r \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (r \sin \theta E_\phi) - r \hat{e}_\theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r \sin \theta E_\phi) \right\}$$

$$= -\frac{\hat{e}_r}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left[ \frac{A \sin^2 \theta}{r} \left( \cos \psi - \frac{\sin \psi}{kr} \right) \right]$$

$$+ \frac{\hat{e}_\theta}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left[ A \sin \theta \left( \cos \psi - \frac{\sin \psi}{kr} \right) \right]$$

$$\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = -\frac{2A \cos \theta}{r^2} \left( \cos \psi - \frac{\sin \psi}{kr} \right) \hat{e}_r + \frac{A \sin \theta}{r} \left( -k \sin \psi + \frac{\sin \psi}{kr^2} - \frac{\cos \psi}{r} \right) \hat{e}_\theta$$



Region (2)

$$\vec{B} = \frac{2A \cos \theta}{\omega r^2} \left( \sin \psi + \frac{\cos \psi}{kr} \right) \hat{e}_r + \frac{A \sin \theta}{\omega r} \left( -k \cos \psi + \frac{\cos \psi}{kr^2} + \frac{\sin \psi}{r} \right) \hat{e}_\theta$$

$$\vec{B} = B_r \hat{e}_r + B_\theta \hat{e}_\theta$$

On Comparing

$$B_r = \frac{2A \cos \theta}{\omega r^2} \left( \sin \psi + \frac{\cos \psi}{kr} \right)$$

$$B_\theta = \frac{A \sin \theta}{\omega r} \left( -k \cos \psi + \frac{\cos \psi}{kr^2} + \frac{\sin \psi}{r} \right)$$

(c)  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$  (Condition of Solenoidal field)

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r^2 B_r) + \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\sin \theta B_\theta)$$

$$= \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{2A \cos \theta}{\omega} \left( k \cos \psi - \frac{\cos \psi}{kr^2} - \frac{\sin \psi}{r} \right)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{2A \sin \theta \cos \theta}{\omega r} \left( -k \cos \psi + \frac{\cos \psi}{kr^2} + \frac{\sin \psi}{r} \right)$$

$$= 0$$

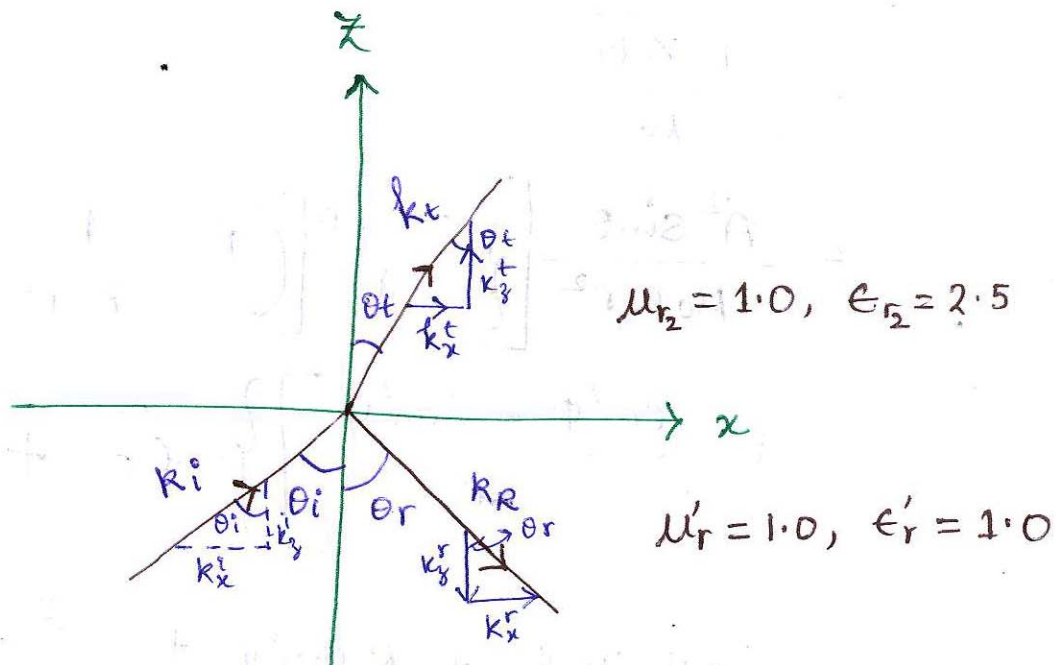
(d)  $\vec{S}$  = Poynting Vector

$$= \frac{\vec{E} \times \vec{B}}{\mu_0}$$

$$= \frac{A^2 \sin \theta}{\mu_0 \omega r^2} \left[ \left\{ \frac{2 \cos \theta}{r} \left[ \left( 1 - \frac{1}{k^2 r^2} \right) \sin \psi \cos \psi + \frac{\cos^2 \psi - \sin^2 \psi}{kr} \right] \right\} \hat{e}_\theta + \sin \theta \left[ \left( -\frac{2}{r} + \frac{1}{k^2 r^3} \right) \right. \right.$$

$$\left. \sin \psi \cos \psi + k \cos^2 \psi + \frac{\sin^2 \psi - \cos^2 \psi}{kr^2} \right] \hat{e}_r$$

Solution :



Argument of the incident plane wave is

$$\vec{R} = |\vec{R}| \hat{s}$$

$$k = \frac{n\omega}{c}$$

$$= \frac{\omega}{c} \text{ (Air)}$$

$$\omega = ck = 5c$$

$$\boxed{\omega = 15 \times 10^8 \text{ rad/s}}$$

$$(\omega t - 4x - 3z) =$$

$$= (\omega t - 5 \times \frac{4}{5}x - 5 \times \frac{3}{5}z)$$

$$= (\omega t - 5 \left( \frac{4}{5}x + \frac{3}{5}z \right))$$

Comparing this with

$$(\omega t - |\vec{R}| (\sin \theta_i x + \cos \theta_i z))$$

$$\text{So } |\vec{R}| = 5 \text{ \& } \vec{R} = 4\hat{e}_x + 3\hat{e}_z$$

$$\sin \theta_i = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\cos \theta_i = \frac{3}{5}$$

(a) The plane of incidence is  $xz$ -plane.  $\hat{e}_z$  is the unit normal vector to the interface ( $z=0$ ).

Since  $\vec{E}_i$  is normal to the plane of incidence, therefore we have  $\perp$  polarization.

(b) The angle of incidence

$$\sin \theta_i = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\theta_i = 53.13^\circ$$

(c) 
$$\vec{E}_R = \vec{R} e^{-i\tau_R}$$

$$\tau_R = \omega \left( t - \frac{x \sin \theta_r - z \cos \theta_r}{v_r} \right) \quad \boxed{v_r = c}$$

We know that

$$\theta_i = \theta_r = 53.13^\circ$$

$$k_{xR} = \sin \theta_R$$

$$k_{zR} = -\cos \theta_R$$

$$\vec{R}_R = 4\hat{e}_x - 3\hat{e}_z$$

=

$$\tau_R = \omega \left( t - \frac{0.8x - 0.6z}{c} \right) \rightarrow \text{Argument part of the reflected wave}$$



Now from Fresnel's formulae

$$R_{||} = \frac{\tan(\theta_i - \theta_t)}{\tan(\theta_i + \theta_t)} A_{||}$$

$$R_{\perp} = - \frac{\sin(\theta_i - \theta_t)}{\sin(\theta_i + \theta_t)} A_{\perp}$$

Now from Snell's Law

$$\sin \theta_t = \frac{n_1}{n_2} \sin \theta_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2.5}} \sin(53.13^\circ)$$

$$\sin \theta_t = \frac{n_1}{n_2} \sin(53.13^\circ)$$

$$\theta_t = 30.39^\circ$$

$$\theta_i = 53.13^\circ$$

$$\theta_t = 30.39^\circ$$

Since  $A_{||} = 0$

So  $R_{||} = 0$

&

$$A_{\perp} = 8$$

$$R_{\perp} = - \frac{\sin(\theta_i - \theta_t)}{\sin(\theta_i + \theta_t)} A_{\perp}$$

$$\boxed{R_{\perp} = -3.112}$$

Reflected Wave (Electric part)

$$\vec{E}_R = -3.112 \hat{e}_y e^{-i(\omega t - \vec{k}_R \cdot \vec{r})}$$

where

$$\vec{k}_R = 4 \hat{e}_x - 3 \hat{e}_z$$

$$\vec{r} = x \hat{e}_x + z \hat{e}_z$$

The argument part of the disturbance

$$\tau_t = \omega \left( t - \frac{x \sin \theta_t + z \cos \theta_t}{v_2} \right)$$

$v_2$  = Propagation speed in medium 2

$$= \frac{c}{n}$$

$$= \frac{c}{\sqrt{\epsilon_2 \mu_2}}$$

$$= \frac{c}{\sqrt{2.5}}$$

$$\Rightarrow |k_t| = \frac{n\omega}{c} = \omega = 7.906$$

$$k_{xt} = \sin \theta_t k_t = 4$$

$$\vec{k}_t = 4 \hat{e}_x + 6.819 \hat{e}_z$$

Notice that  $k_x^{(i)} = k_x^{(R)} = k_x^{(T)}$  as expected

$$T_{||} = \frac{2 \sin \theta_t \cos \theta_i}{\sin(\theta_i + \theta_t) \cos(\theta_i - \theta_t)} A_{||}$$

$$= 0$$

$$T_{\perp} = \frac{2 \sin \theta_t \cos \theta_i}{\sin(\theta_i + \theta_t)} A_{\perp}$$

$$= 0.611 \times 8$$

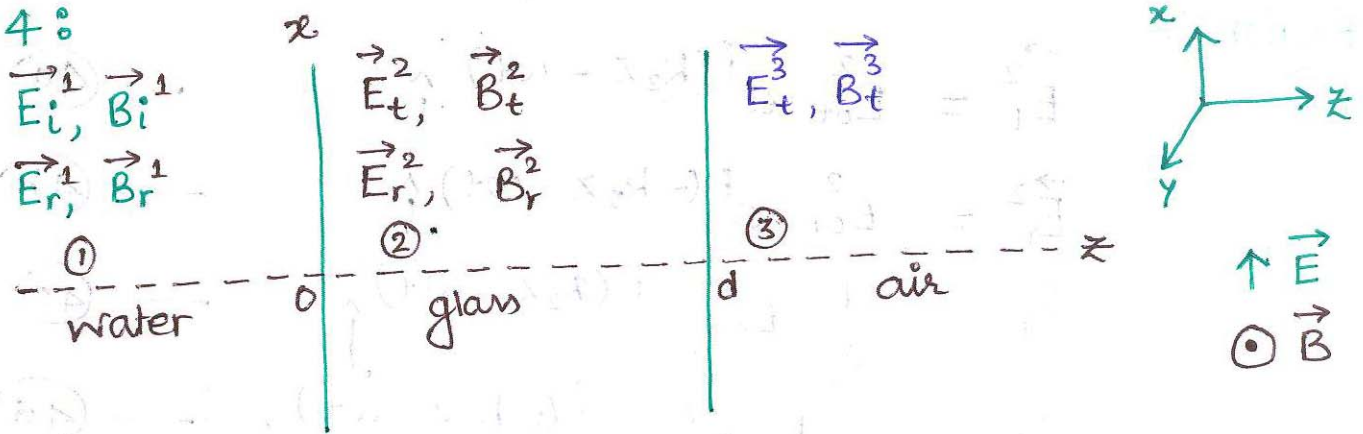
$$= 4.888$$

$$\vec{E}_t = 4.88 \hat{e}_y \exp[-i(\omega t - 4x - 6.819z)] \text{ (V/m)}$$

$$\vec{H}_t = \frac{1}{\mu_2 \omega} \vec{k}_t \times \vec{E}_t$$

$$= (-17.69 \hat{e}_x + 10.37 \hat{e}_z) e^{-i(\omega t - 4x - 6.819z)} \left( \frac{\text{mA}}{\text{m}} \right)$$

Solution 4:



Given  $\mu_1 = \mu_2 = \mu_3 = \mu_0$

Using the boundary conditions

$$\left. \begin{aligned} E_1^{\parallel} &= E_2^{\parallel} \\ B_1^{\parallel} &= B_2^{\parallel} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ across (1) \& (2) interface} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\& \left. \begin{aligned} E_2^{\parallel} &= E_3^{\parallel} \\ B_2^{\parallel} &= B_3^{\parallel} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ across (2) \& (3) interface} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\text{Region (1)} \quad \vec{E}_i^1 = E_{oi}^1 e^{i(k_1 z - \omega t)} \hat{i} \quad \text{--- (3a)}$$

$$\vec{E}_r^1 = E_{or}^1 e^{i(-k_1 z - \omega t)} \hat{i} \quad \text{--- (3b)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{B}_i^1 &= \frac{1}{\omega} \vec{k}_1 \times \vec{E}_i^1 = \frac{k_1}{\omega} \hat{k}_1 \times \vec{E}_i^1 \\ &= \frac{1}{v_1} E_{oi}^1 e^{i(k_1 z - \omega t)} \hat{j} \end{aligned} \quad \text{--- (3c)}$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \vec{B}_r^1 = -\frac{1}{v_1} E_{or}^1 e^{i(-k_1 z - \omega t)} \hat{j} \quad \text{--- (3d)}$$



Region (2)

$$\vec{E}_t^2 = E_{ot}^2 e^{i(k_2 z - \omega t)} \hat{z} \quad \text{--- (4a)}$$

$$\vec{E}_r^2 = E_{or}^2 e^{i(-k_2 z - \omega t)} \hat{z} \quad \text{--- (4b)}$$

$$\vec{B}_t^2 = \frac{1}{v_2} E_{ot}^2 e^{i(k_2 z - \omega t)} \hat{y} \quad \text{--- (4c)}$$

$$\vec{B}_r^2 = -\frac{1}{v_2} E_{or}^2 e^{i(-k_2 z - \omega t)} \hat{y} \quad \text{--- (4d)}$$

Region (3)

$$\vec{E}_t^3 = E_{ot}^3 e^{i(k_3 z - \omega t)} \hat{z} \quad \text{--- (5a)}$$

$$\vec{B}_t^3 = \frac{1}{v_3} E_{ot}^3 e^{i(k_3 z - \omega t)} \hat{y} \quad \text{--- (5b)}$$

Using the boundary conditions (1) & (2)

We get from (3a), (3b), (4a) & (4b) at  $z=0$

$$E_{oi}^1 + E_{or}^1 = E_{ot}^2 + E_{or}^2 \quad \text{--- (6a)}$$

$$\frac{1}{v_1} E_{oi}^1 - \frac{1}{v_1} E_{or}^1 = \frac{1}{v_2} E_{ot}^2 - \frac{1}{v_2} E_{or}^2$$

or 
$$E_{oi}^1 - E_{or}^1 = \frac{v_1}{v_2} (E_{ot}^2 - E_{or}^2)$$

$$= \beta_1 (E_{ot}^2 - E_{or}^2) \quad \text{--- (6b)}$$

$$\boxed{\beta_1 = \frac{v_1}{v_2}} \quad \text{--- (7)}$$

Using (2) at  $x=d$ , we get from (4a), (4b) & (5a)

$$E_{ot}^2 e^{ik_2 d} + E_{or}^2 e^{-ik_2 d} = E_{ot}^3 e^{ik_3 d}$$

& from (4c), (4d) & (5b)

$$\frac{1}{v_2} E_{ot}^2 e^{ik_2 d} - \frac{1}{v_2} E_{or}^2 e^{-ik_2 d} = \frac{1}{v_3} E_{ot}^3 e^{ik_3 d}$$

or

$$E_{ot}^2 e^{ik_2 d} - E_{or}^2 e^{-ik_2 d} = \frac{v_2}{v_3} E_{ot}^3 e^{ik_3 d}$$
$$= \beta_2 E_{ot}^3 e^{ik_3 d} \quad \text{--- (8b)}$$

$$\beta = \frac{v_2}{v_3} \quad \text{--- (9)}$$

We have to evaluate

$$T = \frac{I_{ot}^3}{I_{oi}^1} = \frac{\epsilon_3 v_3}{\epsilon_1 v_1} \frac{|E_{ot}^3|^2}{|E_{oi}^1|^2} \quad \text{--- (10)}$$

Adding (6a) & (6b)

$$2E_{oi}^1 = (1+\beta_1) E_{ot}^2 + (1-\beta_1) E_{or}^2 \quad \text{--- (11a)}$$

Adding (8a) & (8b)

$$2E_{ot}^2 e^{ik_2 d} = (1+\beta_2) E_{ot}^3 e^{ik_3 d} \quad \text{--- (11b)}$$

Subtracting (8b) from (8a)

$$2 E_{oi}^2 e^{-ik_2 d} = (1 - \beta_2) E_{ot}^3 e^{ik_3 d} \quad \text{--- (11c)}$$

Substituting (11b) & (11c) in (11a), we get

$$2 E_{oi}^1 = \frac{1}{2} (1 + \beta_1) e^{ik_3 d - ik_2 d} (1 + \beta_2) E_{ot}^3 + \frac{1}{2} (1 - \beta_1) e^{ik_3 d + ik_2 d} (1 - \beta_2) E_{ot}^3$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} e^{ik_3 d} \left\{ (1 + \beta_1)(1 + \beta_2) e^{-ik_2 d} + (1 - \beta_1)(1 - \beta_2) e^{ik_2 d} \right\} E_{ot}^3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{or } \frac{E_{oi}^1}{E_{ot}^3} &= \frac{1}{4} e^{ik_3 d} \left\{ [1 + 2\beta_1\beta_2 + (\beta_1 + \beta_2)] e^{-ik_2 d} + [1 + 2\beta_1\beta_2 - (\beta_1 + \beta_2)] e^{ik_2 d} \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} e^{ik_3 d} \left\{ (e^{-ik_2 d} + e^{ik_2 d}) + 2\beta_1\beta_2 (e^{-ik_2 d} + e^{ik_2 d}) + (\beta_1 + \beta_2) (e^{-ik_2 d} - e^{ik_2 d}) \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} e^{ik_3 d} \left\{ 2\cos k_2 d + 2\beta_1\beta_2 \cos k_2 d - 2i(\beta_1 + \beta_2) \sin k_2 d \right\} \end{aligned}$$



$$\frac{|E_{oi}^1|^2}{|E_{ot}^3|^2} = \frac{1}{4} \left\{ \left[ \cos k_2 d + \beta_1 \beta_2 \cos k_2 d - i(\beta_1 + \beta_2) \sin k_2 d \right] \times \left[ \cos k_2 d + \beta_1 \beta_2 \cos k_2 d + i(\beta_1 + \beta_2) \sin k_2 d \right] \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left\{ (1 + \beta_1 \beta_2)^2 \cos^2 k_2 d + (\beta_1 + \beta_2)^2 \sin^2 k_2 d \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left\{ (1 + \beta_1 \beta_2)^2 + [(\beta_1 + \beta_2)^2 - (1 + \beta_1 \beta_2)^2] \sin^2 k_2 d \right\}$$

$$(\because \cos^2 \alpha = 1 - \sin^2 \alpha)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left\{ (1 + \beta_1 \beta_2)^2 + [(\beta_1^2 - 1) + \beta_2^2 (1 - \beta_1^2)] \sin^2 k_2 d \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left\{ (1 + \beta_1 \beta_2)^2 - (1 - \beta_1^2)(1 - \beta_2^2) \sin^2 k_2 d \right\} \quad \text{--- (12)}$$

$$\therefore T = \left( \frac{\epsilon_3 v_3}{\epsilon_1 v_1} \right) \left\{ \left| \frac{E_{ot}^1}{E_{ot}^3} \right|^2 \right\}^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{\left( \frac{1}{v_3^2 \mu_3} \right) v_3}{\left( \frac{1}{v_1^2 \mu_1} \right) v_1} \left[ \frac{1}{4} \left\{ \left( 1 + \frac{v_1}{v_3} \right)^2 - \left( 1 - \frac{v_1^2}{v_2^2} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{v_2^2}{v_3^2} \right) \sin^2 k_2 d \right\} \right]^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{v_1}{v_3} \left[ \frac{1}{4} \left\{ \left( 1 + \frac{n_3}{n_1} \right)^2 - \left( 1 - \frac{n_2^2}{n_1^2} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{n_3^2}{n_2^2} \right) \sin^2 k_2 d \right\} \right]^{-1}$$



$$= \frac{n_3}{n_1} \left[ \frac{1}{4} \left\{ \frac{(n_1 + n_3)^2}{n_1^2} - \frac{(n_1^2 - n_2^2)(n_2^2 - n_3^2)}{n_1^2 n_2^2 \sin^2 k_2 d} \right\}^{-1} \right]$$

$$T = \left[ \frac{1}{4 n_1 n_3} \left\{ (n_1 + n_3)^2 - \frac{(n_1^2 - n_2^2)(n_2^2 - n_3^2)}{n_2^2} \sin^2 k_2 d \right\}^{-1} \right]$$