

Equation 13 from Article 2: $I(R, \theta) = N z^2 I_{inc} \frac{\omega^4}{\omega_0^4} \frac{r_0^2}{R^2} \sin^2 \theta$

Oscillating dipole fields are given by: $\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi r} \hat{r} \times \left[\hat{r} \times \left(\frac{d^2 \vec{p}}{dt^2} \right)_{t-(r/c)} \right]$

where \vec{p} is the induced dipole moment.

$$\vec{B}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{c} \hat{r} \times \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t)$$

Through a substitution of $\vec{p} = q\vec{s}$ and $\vec{a} = \ddot{\vec{s}} = (1/b) d^2 \vec{p} / dt^2$ and some geometrical arguments,

we find: $\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = -\frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 c^2} \frac{\vec{a}_s(t_{ret})}{r}$

with the magnitude becoming: $E(r, \theta; t) = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 c^2} \frac{a_{ret} \sin \theta}{r}$

We construct a differential equation for undamped incident light:

$$m\ddot{z} = qE_0 \cos(\omega t) - m\omega_0^2 z$$

The solution is quickly obtained as: $z = \frac{qE_0 \cos(\omega t)}{m(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)}$

We find, by substitution into our equation for a_{ret} :

$$a_{ret} = -\frac{q}{m} \frac{\omega^2}{\omega_0^2} E_0 \cos(\omega t_{ret})$$

Which further can be substituted as: $E(r, \theta; t) = -\frac{\omega^2}{\omega_0^2} \frac{r_0}{r} \sin \theta E_0 \cos(\omega t_{ret})$

with $r_0 = q^2 / 4\pi\epsilon_0 m c^2$

From our definition of intensity we find: (with z being the atomic #

or in atom) $I(\omega, r, \theta) = \epsilon_0 c \langle \vec{E}^2 \rangle = I_{inc} z^2 \frac{\omega^4}{\omega_0^4} \frac{r_0^2}{r^2} \sin^2 \theta$

Finally, with N dipoles in the solution we have:

$$I(R, \theta) = N z^2 I_{inc} \frac{\omega^4}{\omega_0^4} \frac{r_0^2}{R^2} \sin^2 \theta$$

Scattering of Light

Laboratory Exercises

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Equation 20 from article 1:

$$\vec{E}_s = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n (i a_n \vec{N}_{e1n}^{(3)} - b_n \vec{M}_{o1n}^{(3)})$$

$$\vec{H}_s = \frac{\kappa}{\omega \mu} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n (i b_n \vec{N}_{o1n}^{(3)} + a_n \vec{M}_{e1n}^{(3)})$$

We can begin by defining

Some vector fields:

$$\vec{E}_i = E_0 e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x} - \omega t)}; \quad \vec{H}_i = H_0 e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x} - \omega t)}$$

which describe the electric and magnetic fields.

These fields must satisfy Maxwell's equations: $\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = 0$; $\nabla \cdot \vec{H} = 0$; $\nabla \times \vec{E} = -i\omega \mu \vec{H}$ and $\nabla \times \vec{H} = i\omega \epsilon \vec{E}$

where our values of ϵ and μ are the permittivity and permeability in a material ω is an angular frequency, κ is the wave vector, and x and t are spatial and temporal components.

Through a quick rearrangement of these equations, we find:

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E} + \kappa^2 \vec{E} = 0; \quad \text{and} \quad \nabla^2 \vec{H} + \kappa^2 \vec{H} = 0 \quad \text{with} \quad \kappa = \omega^2 \epsilon \mu$$

Which are vector wave equations with vector solutions $\vec{M} \equiv \nabla \times (\vec{r} \Psi)$

and $\vec{N} \equiv \frac{\nabla \times \vec{M}}{\kappa}$. Since our problem is based in spherical coordinates,

through separation of variables and using our definition of the Laplacian in spherical coordinates, we obtain:

$$\frac{d^2 \Phi}{d\phi^2} + m^2 \Phi = 0; \quad \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{d}{d\theta} \left[\sin \theta \frac{d\Theta}{d\theta} \right] + \left(n(n+1) - \frac{m^2}{\sin^2 \theta} \right) \Theta = 0; \quad \frac{d}{dr} \left(r^2 \frac{dR}{dr} \right) + (\kappa^2 r^2 - n(n+1)) R = 0$$

If we change variables, it is easy to describe our coordinates in terms of special functions: $\Phi = \{ \cos(m\phi), \sin(m\phi) \}$; $\Theta = \{ P_n^m(\cos \theta) \}$; $R = \{ j_n(\rho), y_n(\rho) \}$

where P_n^m is a first kind Legendre function of degree n and order m , and

j_n and y_n are spherical Bessel functions of order n of the first and second kind.

The special functions define a basis on which we can construct the vector spherical harmonics for \vec{M} and \vec{N} .

These harmonics are very messy, but when we consider the plane waves of the \vec{E} , we find $\vec{E}_i = E_0 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} i^n \frac{2n+1}{n(n+1)} (\vec{M}_{o1n}^{(1)} - i \vec{N}_{e1n}^{(1)})$ where \vec{M}_{o1n} is the 1st order spherical harmonic for \vec{M} with radial dependence, similarly for \vec{N} .

By utilizing boundary conditions, and switching to Hecke functions, we eventually find:

$$\vec{E}_s = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n (i a_n \vec{N}_{e1n}^{(3)} - b_n \vec{M}_{o1n}^{(3)})$$

$$\vec{H}_s = \frac{\kappa}{\omega \mu} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n (i b_n \vec{N}_{o1n}^{(3)} + a_n \vec{M}_{e1n}^{(3)})$$