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Lec. 14 Perturbation Theory of Scattering and the Blue Sky

Consider a medium with small fluctuations in ϵ and μ . Calculate ~~scattered~~ scattering from these fluctuations.

Start from

$$\nabla \cdot B = 0$$

$$\nabla \cdot D = 0$$

$$\nabla \times E = -\frac{\partial B}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \times H = \frac{\partial D}{\partial t}$$

Write

$$D = \epsilon E$$

$$B = \mu H$$

$$\epsilon \approx \epsilon_0 + \delta\epsilon$$

$$\mu \approx \mu_0 + \delta\mu$$

Work to lowest order in $\delta\epsilon, \delta\mu$

Note ϵ_0, μ_0 are values for average medium. Not necessarily free space values!

~~$$\nabla \times \nabla \times E = \frac{\partial D}{\partial t} - \nabla(\nabla \cdot E)$$~~

$$\nabla \times \nabla \times E = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \times B)$$

Multiply by ϵ_0

$$\nabla \times \nabla \times \epsilon_0 E = -\epsilon_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \times B)$$

add and subtract $\nabla \times \nabla \times D$ and $\epsilon_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \times \mu_0 H$

$$\nabla \times \nabla \times D = \nabla \times \nabla \times (D - \epsilon_0 E) - \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \times (B - \mu_0 H)$$

~~$$- \epsilon_0 \mu_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \times H)$$~~

$$-\nabla \times \nabla \times D - \epsilon_0 \mu_0 \frac{\partial^2 D}{\partial t^2} = -\nabla \times \nabla \times (D - \epsilon_0 E)$$

$$+ \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \times (B - \mu_0 H)$$

$$\nabla \times \nabla \times D = -\nabla^2 D + \nabla(\nabla \cdot D) = -\nabla^2 D$$

$$So \quad \left[\nabla^2 - \epsilon_0 \mu_0 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \right] D = -\nabla \times \nabla \times (D - \epsilon_0 E) + \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \times (B - \mu_0 H)$$

Consider time indep. fluctuations and time dep. $e^{-i\omega t}$

$$\delta E = \delta E(\vec{x}) \\ k^2 = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \omega^2$$

$$\left[\nabla^2 + k^2 \right] D = -\nabla \times \nabla \times (D - \epsilon_0 E) - i\omega \epsilon_0 \nabla \times (B - \mu_0 H)$$

Consider an ~~initial~~ ^{initial} plane wave that satisfies

$$\left[\nabla^2 + k^2 \right] D^{(0)} = 0$$

and solve with green func.

$$D(\vec{x}) = D^{(0)} + \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d^3x' \frac{e^{ik|\vec{x}-\vec{x}'|}}{|\vec{x}-\vec{x}'|} \left[\nabla' \nabla' (D - \epsilon_0 E) + i\epsilon_0 \omega \nabla' \times (B - \mu_0 H) \right]$$

consider $\delta E, \delta H$ confined to a finite region of space. ①

$$D \rightarrow D^{(0)} + A_{sc} \frac{e^{ikr}}{r}$$

For large r

$$A_{sc} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d^3x' e^{ik\vec{n} \cdot \vec{x}'} \left[\nabla' \nabla' (D - \epsilon_0 E) + i\omega \epsilon_0 \nabla' \times (B - \mu_0 H) \right]$$

integrate by parts $\nabla' e^{-ik\vec{n} \cdot \vec{x}'} = -ik\vec{n} e^{-ik\vec{n} \cdot \vec{x}'}$

$$A_{sc} = \frac{k^2}{4\pi} \int d^3x' e^{-ik\vec{n} \cdot \vec{x}'} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} [n_\lambda (D - \epsilon_0 E)]_{,\lambda} n - \frac{\epsilon_0 \omega}{k} n_\lambda (B - \mu_0 H) \right\}$$

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This scattering amplitude gives

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{|\mathbf{E}^* \cdot \mathbf{A}_{sc}|^2}{|\mathbf{D}^{(0)}|^2} \quad (3)$$

Equations 1, 2, 3 provide a formal solution to the scattering problem. Note need to evaluate RHS of (1), D, H to evaluate

Born Approximation

$$\mathbf{D}(x) = [\epsilon_0 + \delta\epsilon(x)] \mathbf{E}(x)$$

$$\mathbf{B} = [\mu_0 + \delta\mu(x)] \mathbf{H}(x)$$

$$\mathbf{D} - \epsilon_0 \mathbf{E} \approx \frac{\delta\epsilon(x)}{\epsilon_0} \mathbf{D}^{(0)}(x)$$

$$\mathbf{B} - \mu_0 \mathbf{H} \approx \frac{\delta\mu(x)}{\mu_0} \mathbf{H}^{(0)}(x)$$

Plane wave

$$\mathbf{D}^{(0)}(x) = \vec{\epsilon}_0 D_0 e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{n}_0 \cdot x}$$

note polarization vector, $\vec{\epsilon}_0$

$$\mathbf{B}^{(0)} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}} \mathbf{n}_0 \wedge \mathbf{D}^{(0)}$$

Put these into (2)

$$\frac{\mathbf{E}^* \cdot \mathbf{A}_{sc}^{(1)}}{D_0} = \frac{k^2}{4\pi} \int d^3x e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{x}} \left[\mathbf{E}^* \cdot \epsilon_0 \frac{\delta\epsilon(x)}{\epsilon_0} + (\mathbf{n} \wedge \mathbf{E}^*) (\mathbf{n}_0 \wedge \epsilon_0) \frac{\delta\mu(x)}{\mu_0} \right]$$

with

$$\vec{q} = k(\vec{n}_0 - \vec{n})$$

Blue Sky: Elementary Argument

Lord Rayleigh first described quantitatively the scattering of light by gases, and explained sunsets and the blue sky

Magnetic moments are small $\delta \mu \ll 0$

$$\delta \epsilon(x) = \epsilon_0 \sum_j \gamma_{mol} \delta(x - x_j)$$

For individual molecules ~~where~~ that have electric dipole moments

$$\vec{p}_j = \epsilon_0 \gamma_{mol} \vec{E}(x_j)$$

Plug this into

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{E^* \cdot A_{sc}}{D_0} &= \frac{k^2}{4\pi} \int d^3x e^{i q \cdot x} \sum_j \delta(x - x_j) \\ &= \frac{\gamma_{mol}}{4\pi} k^2 \sum_j e^{i q \cdot x_j} \vec{E}^* \cdot \vec{E}_0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{k^4 \gamma_{mol}^2}{16 \pi^2} |\vec{E}^* \cdot \vec{E}_0|^2 F(q)}$$

where $F(q) = \text{Structure Factor}$
 $= \left| \sum_j e^{i q \cdot x_j} \right|^2 = \sum_{i,j} e^{i q \cdot (x_i - x_j)}$