

P507 Lec. 1

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P507 is continuation of P506
We will cover parts of chapters 7, 9, 10, 11
and 12

Final exam from P506
Total 108
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High 108

Read Chap. 7

Plane waves in nonconducting medium.
Consider Maxwell Eqs in source free
region $\rho = \mathbf{j} = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} &= 0 & \nabla \times \mathbf{E} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} &= 0 \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} &= 0 & \nabla \times \mathbf{H} - \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Assume harmonic time dep. $e^{-i\omega t}$ and
represent arbitrary solution by Fourier superposition

Equations for amplitudes $\mathbf{E}(\omega, \mathbf{x})$ etc

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} &= 0 & \nabla \times \mathbf{E} - i\omega \mathbf{B} &= 0 \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{H} + i\omega \mathbf{D} &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Four uniform isotropic linear medium

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

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} - i\omega \mathbf{B} = 0, \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{B} + i\omega \mu \epsilon \mathbf{E} = 0$$

take curl

$$\nabla \times \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = i\omega \nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \omega^2 \mu \epsilon \mathbf{E}$$

$$-\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} - \omega^2 \mu \epsilon \mathbf{E} = 0 \quad \text{given } \nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0$$

Wave eqs

$$\begin{aligned} \left[\nabla^2 + \mu \epsilon \omega^2 \right] \vec{\mathbf{E}} &= 0 \\ \left[\nabla^2 + \mu \epsilon \omega^2 \right] \vec{\mathbf{B}} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Look for plane wave solution $e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x} - i\omega t}$

$k = \sqrt{\mu \epsilon} \omega$
Phase velocity of wave

$$v \equiv \frac{\omega}{k} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu \epsilon}} = \frac{c}{n}, \quad n = \frac{\sqrt{\mu \epsilon}}{\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}}$$

$$c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}}$$

Index of refraction n

Note $n = n(\omega)$ usually

$$U_{\vec{k}}(x, t) = a e^{i\vec{k} \cdot (x - vt)} + b e^{-i\vec{k} \cdot (x + vt)}$$

If medium is nondispersive [n indep. of ω]
 then Fourier superposition in \vec{k}

$$U(x, t) = f(x - vt) + g(x + vt)$$

These waves propagate without changing shape. However can't write general solution this way if $n = n(\omega)$ because then v depends on k .

Consider E+M plane wave of frequency ω and wave vector $\vec{k} = k \vec{n}$

Note (\vec{n}) is not index of refraction!
 $|\vec{n}| = 1$ unit vector

$$E(x,t) = \mathcal{E} e^{i k n \cdot x - i \omega t}$$

$$B(x,t) = \mathcal{B} e^{i k n \cdot x - i \omega t}$$

\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{B} are constant vectors

$$k^2 n^2 = \mu \epsilon \omega^2$$

$$n \cdot \mathcal{E} = n \cdot \mathcal{B} = 0 \quad \nabla \cdot E = 0, \nabla \cdot B = 0$$

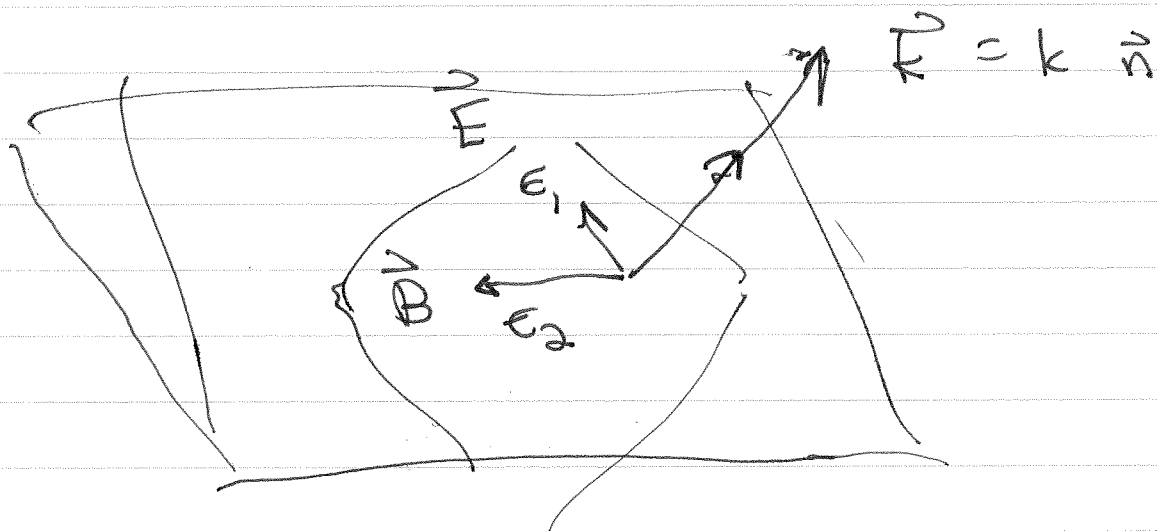
$$\mathcal{B} = \frac{1}{i\omega} \nabla \times E \Rightarrow \mathcal{B} = \sqrt{\mu \epsilon} \vec{n} \times \mathcal{E}$$

If index of refraction n is real
 \mathcal{E} and \mathcal{B} have same phase
 Introduce set of ^{orthogonal} unit vectors
 $\{\vec{e}_1, \vec{e}_2, \vec{n}\}$

$$\mathbf{E} = \epsilon_1 E_0 \quad , \quad \mathbf{B} = \epsilon_2 \sqrt{\mu \epsilon'} E_0$$

$$\text{or } \mathbf{E} = \epsilon_2 E_0' \quad \mathbf{B} = -\epsilon_1 \sqrt{\mu \epsilon'} E_0'$$

E_0, E_0' are possibly complex constants,



Transverse plane wave propagating in \vec{n} direction with two orthogonal polarization vectors ϵ_1, ϵ_2 .

Note the wave vector \vec{k} can be complex. In this case define \vec{n} so that

$$\vec{k} = k \vec{n} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{n} \cdot \vec{n} = 1$$

Note this is not $|\vec{n}|^2 = 1$

$$e^{i k n \cdot x - i \omega t} = e^{-k \vec{n}_i \cdot \vec{x}} e^{i k n_R \cdot x - i \omega t}$$

The wave will have an exp. increasing or decreasing amplitude

⇒ Called an inhomogeneous plane wave

has $\vec{n} \cdot \vec{n} = 1$ real and imaginary parts

$$n_R^2 - n_I^2 = 1$$

$$\vec{n}_R \cdot \vec{n}_I = 0$$

\vec{n}_R and \vec{n}_I are orthogonal

$$\vec{n} = \vec{e}_1 \cosh \theta + i \vec{e}_2 \sinh \theta$$

\vec{e}_1 and \vec{e}_2 are real unit vectors

~~is~~ in x and y directions, θ is real constant so that $n_R^2 - n_I^2 = 1$

The most general vector \vec{E} satisfying

$$\vec{n} \cdot \vec{E} = 0 \quad \text{is}$$

$$\vec{E} = (i \vec{e}_1 \sinh \theta - \vec{e}_2 \cosh \theta) A + \vec{e}_3 A'$$

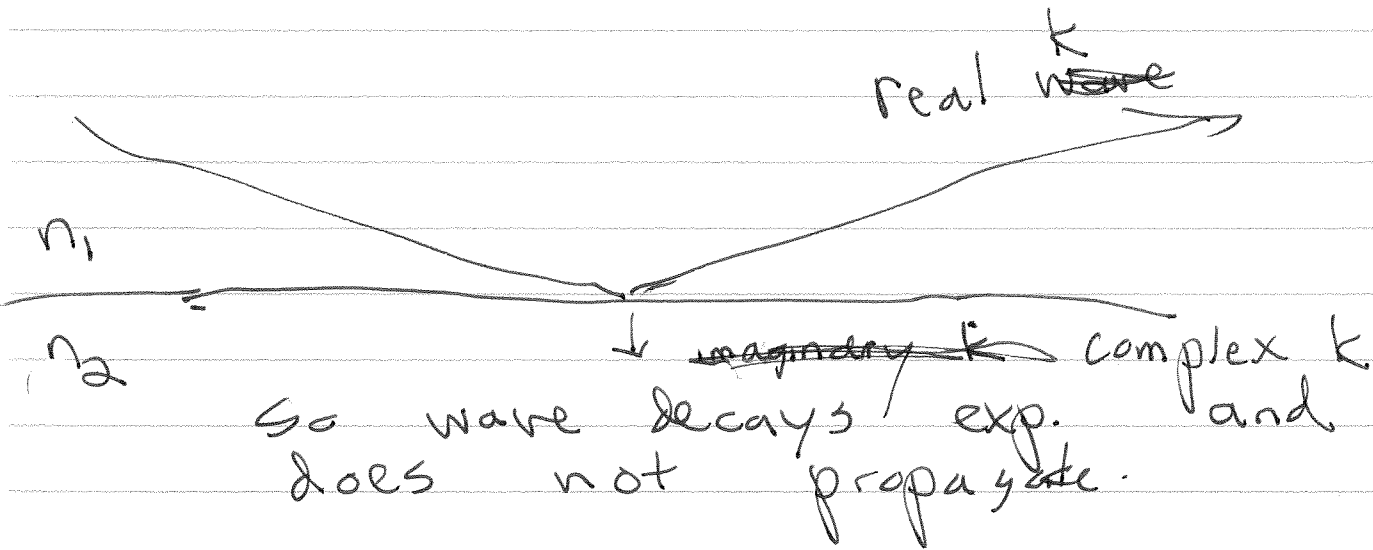
where A, A' are complex constants.

$$\vec{n} \cdot \vec{E} = (i \sinh \theta \cosh \theta - i \sinh \theta \cosh \theta) A = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

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We encounter inhomogeneous plane waves in discussion of total internal reflection and refraction in a conducting medium.

Total internal reflection



Linear and Circular Polarization; Stokes parameters.

Two linear polarizations

$$\vec{E} = \vec{E}_1 e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x} - i\omega t} + \vec{E}_2 e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x} - i\omega t}$$

$$\vec{B}_j = \sqrt{\mu\epsilon} \vec{k} \times \vec{E}_j \quad j=1,2$$

can be combined to give most general homogeneous plane wave propagating in direction $\vec{k} = k \vec{n}$