

Sheet 2

1. (Cheng 8-4) For a harmonic uniform plane wave propagating in a simple medium, both \mathbf{E} and \mathbf{H} vary in accordance with the factor $\exp(-j\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{R})$. Show that the four Maxwell's equations for uniform plane wave in a source-free region reduce to the following:

$$\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E} = \omega\mu\mathbf{H}$$

$$\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{H} = -\omega\epsilon\mathbf{E}$$

$$\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0, \quad \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{H} = 0$$

2. (Cheng 8-5) The instantaneous expression for the magnetic field intensity of a uniform plane wave propagating in the $+y$ direction in air is given by,

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{a}_z 4 \times 10^{-6} \cos\left(10^7\pi t - k_0 y + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \quad \text{A/m}$$

- (a) Determine k_0 and the location where H_z vanishes at $t = 3$ ms.
 (b) Write the instantaneous expression for \mathbf{E} .
3. (Cheng 8-6) The \mathbf{E} -field of a uniform plane wave propagating in a dielectric medium is given by,

$$\mathbf{E}(z, t) = \mathbf{a}_x 2 \cos\left(10^8 t - z/\sqrt{3}\right) - \mathbf{a}_y 2 \sin\left(10^8 t - z/\sqrt{3}\right) \quad \text{V/m}$$

- (a) Determine the frequency and wavelength of the wave.
 (b) What is the dielectric constant of the medium?
 (c) Describe the polarization of the wave.
 (d) Find the corresponding \mathbf{H} -field.
4. (Cheng 8-9) Derive the following general expressions of the attenuation and phase constants for conducting media:

$$\alpha = \omega \sqrt{\frac{\mu\epsilon}{2}} \left[\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\sigma}{\omega\epsilon}\right)^2} - 1 \right]^{1/2} \quad \text{Np/m}$$

$$\beta = \omega \sqrt{\frac{\mu\epsilon}{2}} \left[\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\sigma}{\omega\epsilon}\right)^2} + 1 \right]^{1/2}, \quad \text{rad/m}$$

5. (Cheng 8-10) Determine and compare the intrinsic impedance, attenuation constant (in both Np/m and dB/m), and skin depth of copper [$\sigma_{\text{cu}} = 5.8 \times 10^7$ S/m], silver [$\sigma_{\text{ag}} = 6.15 \times 10^7$ S/m], and brass [$\sigma_{\text{br}} = 1.59 \times 10^7$ S/m] at the following frequencies: (a) 60 Hz, (b) 1 MHz, and (c) 1 GHz.

6. (Cheng 8-12) The magnetic field intensity of a linearly polarized uniform plane wave propagating in the $+y$ -direction in seawater [$\epsilon_r = 80$, $\mu_r = 1$, $\sigma = 4$ S/m] is

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{a}_x 0.1 \sin(10^{10} \pi t - \pi/3) \quad \text{A/m}$$

at $y = 0$.

- (a) Determine the attenuation constant, the phase constant, the intrinsic impedance, the phase velocity, the wavelength, and the skin depth.
 - (b) Find the location at which the amplitude of \mathbf{H} is 0.01 A/m.
 - (c) Write the expressions for $\mathbf{E}(y, t)$ and $\mathbf{H}(y, t)$ at $y = 0.5$ m as functions of t .
7. (Cheng 8-13) Given that the skin depth for graphite at 100 MHz is 0.16 mm, determine
- (a) the conductivity of graphite, and
 - (b) the distance that at 1 GHz wave travels in graphite such that its field intensity is reduced to 30 dB.