

8.022 Lecture Notes Class 42 - 12/6/2006

1-D:

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2} \quad f(x, t)$$

$$\nabla^2 f = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2} \quad f(\vec{x}, t)$$

Wave equation can be extended!

$$\tilde{f}(z, t) = \tilde{A} e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \hat{n}(z, t) \quad \text{f a vector function}$$

transverse: $\hat{n} \cdot \hat{z} = 0 \leftarrow$ EM waves

longitudinal: $\hat{n} \times \hat{z} = 0 \leftarrow$ sound waves

$$\vec{S} = \frac{\vec{E} \times \vec{B}}{\mu_0} \Rightarrow S \perp E, B$$

Assume $\hat{n} \neq \hat{n}(z, t)$ for now.

$$\hat{n} = \cos \theta \hat{x} + \sin \theta \hat{y}$$

$$\tilde{f}(z, t) = \tilde{A} \cos \theta e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \hat{x} + \tilde{A} \sin \theta e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \hat{y}$$

θ is the polarization angle of the wave

No local charge and current:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} &= 0 & \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} &= 0 \\ \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} &= -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} & \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} &= \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E}) &= \vec{\nabla}(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}) - \nabla^2 \vec{E} \\ &= \nabla \times \left(-\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}\right) \\ &= -\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\nabla \times \vec{B}) \\ &= -\mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2} \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2} \quad || \quad \nabla^2 \vec{B} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}}{\partial t^2}$$

$$\implies \frac{1}{v^2} = \epsilon_0 \mu_0$$

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

Since these E and B waves travel at the speed of light. it must be what light is made of.

Since

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = 0, (\vec{E}_0)_z = 0$$

Assumptions

$$\tilde{E}(z, t) = \tilde{E}_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)}$$

$$\tilde{B}(z, t) = \tilde{B}_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)}$$

- ω - given frequency \Leftrightarrow monochromatic
- plane wave in \hat{z} - direction

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0, (\tilde{B}_0)_z = 0$$

this means waves are transverse waves

What about $\vec{\nabla} \times E$?

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

$$-k(\tilde{E}_0)_y \hat{x} + k(\tilde{E}_0)_x \hat{y} = \omega(\tilde{B}_0)_x \hat{x} + \omega(\tilde{B}_0)_y \hat{y}$$

$$\implies \tilde{B}_0 = \frac{k}{\omega} (\hat{z} \times \hat{E}_0)$$

Tells us 2 things !

- $\vec{B} \perp \vec{E}$

- In phase !

(we can get from B_0 to E_0 merely by cross-product)

$$|B_0| = \frac{k}{\omega} |\vec{E}_0| = \frac{\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}}{2\pi\nu} = \frac{1}{\nu} |\vec{E}_0|$$

$$|B_0| = \frac{1}{c} |\vec{E}_0|$$

Extend to 3-D:

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{E}(\vec{r}, t) &= \tilde{E}_0 e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \hat{n} \\ \tilde{B}(\vec{r}, t) &= \frac{\tilde{E}_0}{c} e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} (\vec{v} \times \vec{n})\end{aligned}$$

Energy, Momentum

$$\begin{aligned}U &= [SI] \frac{1}{2} [\epsilon_0 E^2 + \frac{1}{\mu_0} B^2] = [cgs] \frac{E_0^2 + B_0^2}{8\pi} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\mu_0} \mu_0 \epsilon_0 E^2 \\ U &= \epsilon_0 E^2 \\ &= \epsilon_0 \cos^2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t + \delta) E_0^2\end{aligned}$$

Energy in EM wave is equally distributed

- Poynting time!

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{S} &= \frac{\vec{E} \times \vec{B}}{\mu_0} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \hat{z} \cdot E_0 \cos(\dots) \cdot \frac{E_0}{c} \cos(\dots) \\ &= \hat{z} \cdot E_0^2 \cos^2(\dots) \frac{1}{\mu_0} (\sqrt{\epsilon_0 \mu_0})^2 \cdot c \\ &= \hat{z} \cdot c \epsilon_0 E_0^2 \cos^2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t + \delta)\end{aligned}$$

Know $\hat{z} \cdot c = \vec{v}$ and $U = \epsilon_0 E_0^2 \cos^2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t + \delta)$

$$\vec{S} = u \cdot \vec{v}$$

- Momentum

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{p} &= \frac{\vec{S}}{c^2} && \text{(from eq. } \mathbf{P}_{\text{em}} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \int_V \vec{S} d\tau \text{)} \\ &= \frac{1}{c} \cdot u \hat{z} && \text{(Let } \hat{z} = \vec{v} \text{)}\end{aligned}$$

$$\langle u \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E_0^2$$

$$\langle \vec{S} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} c \epsilon_0 E_0^2 \hat{z}$$

$$\langle \vec{p} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{c} \epsilon_0 E_0^2 \hat{z}$$

$$I = \langle |S| \rangle = \frac{1}{2} c \epsilon_0 E_0^2$$

Only difference
between energy, \vec{S} ,
and momentum:
factors of c.