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First-year course on

Electromagnetism

Electromagnetic Waves : Topics

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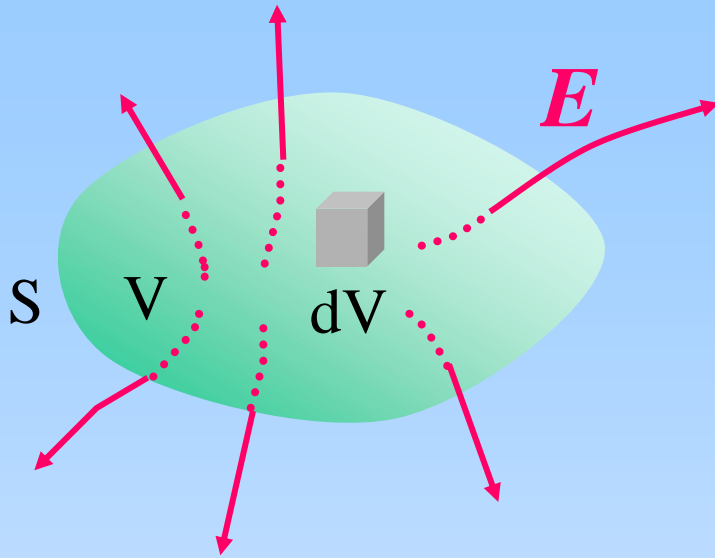
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Electromagnetic Waves

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1. Gauss' and Faraday's Laws for E

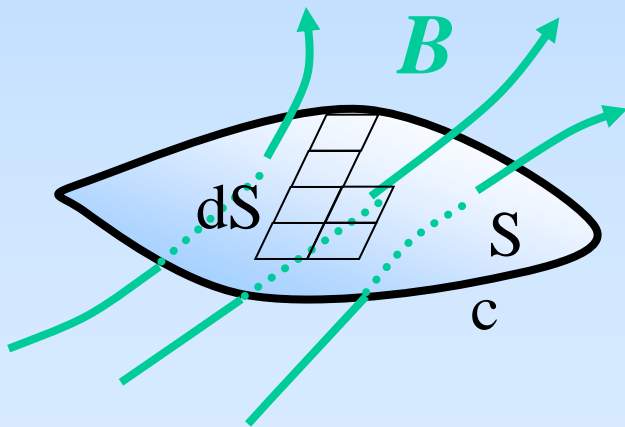


Gauss' Law :

$$\oiint_S \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \iiint_V \rho \, dV = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \iiint_V \text{div} \mathbf{E} \cdot dV$$

$$\text{div} \mathbf{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$$

Div = micro-flux per unit of volume



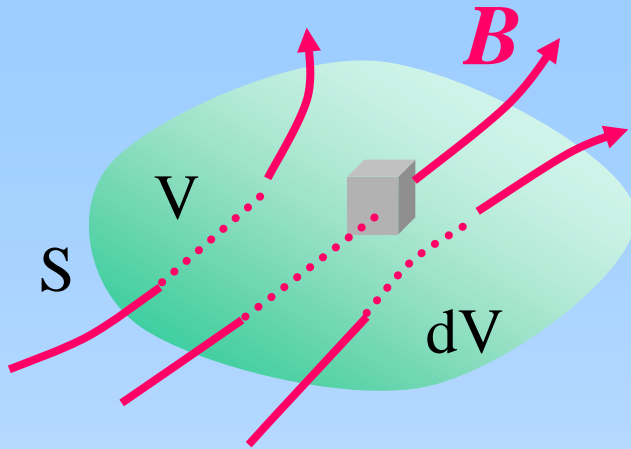
Faraday's Law :

$$V_{ind} = -\frac{d}{dt} \iint_S \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \oint_c \mathbf{E}_n \cdot d\mathbf{l} = \iint_S \text{rot} \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{S}$$

$$\text{rot} \mathbf{E} = -\frac{d\mathbf{B}}{dt}$$

Rot = micro-circulation per unit of area

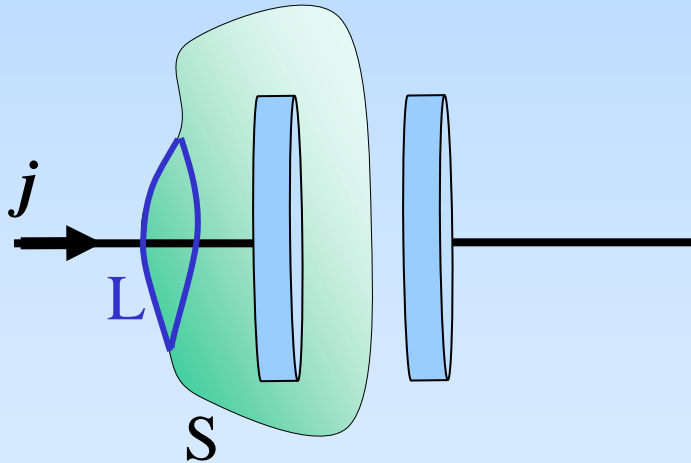
2. Gauss' and Maxwell's Laws for \mathbf{B}



Gauss' Law :

$$\oiint_S \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \iiint_V \text{div} \mathbf{B} \cdot dV = 0$$

$$\text{div} \mathbf{B} = 0$$



Maxwell's Fix for Ampere's Law :

$$\oint_L \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = \mu_0 \iint_S \mathbf{j} \cdot d\mathbf{S} + \varepsilon_0 \mu_0 \frac{d}{dt} \iint_S \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{S}$$

$$\text{rot} \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mathbf{j} + \varepsilon_0 \mu_0 \frac{d\mathbf{E}}{dt}$$

$$\text{rot} \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{j}_f + \frac{d\mathbf{D}}{dt}$$

3. Maxwell's Equations and Wave Equation

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{d\mathbf{B}}{dt} \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0 \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{j}_f + \frac{d\mathbf{D}}{dt}$$

In vacuum ($\rho = 0$ and $\mathbf{j} = 0$): $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0$

$$\nabla \times \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\nabla \times \frac{d\mathbf{B}}{dt} = -\frac{d}{dt}(\nabla \times \mathbf{B}) = \dots$$

$$\dots = -\mu_0 \frac{d}{dt}(\nabla \times \mathbf{H}) = -\mu_0 \frac{d^2 \mathbf{D}}{dt^2} = -\epsilon_0 \mu_0 \frac{d^2 \mathbf{E}}{dt^2}$$

$$\nabla \times \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} + \nabla(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E}) = -\nabla^2 \mathbf{E}$$

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$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} = \epsilon_0 \mu_0 \frac{d^2 \mathbf{E}}{dt^2}$$

This is a 3-Dimensional Wave Equation

General form:
 $v = \text{velocity:}$ $\nabla^2 A = \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial x^2} + \dots = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial t^2}$

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

$$v = 2.99 \dots \times 10^8 \text{ m/s} = \text{light velocity}$$

4. Harmonic Solution of the Wave Equation

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} = \varepsilon_0 \mu_0 \frac{d^2 \mathbf{E}}{dt^2}$$

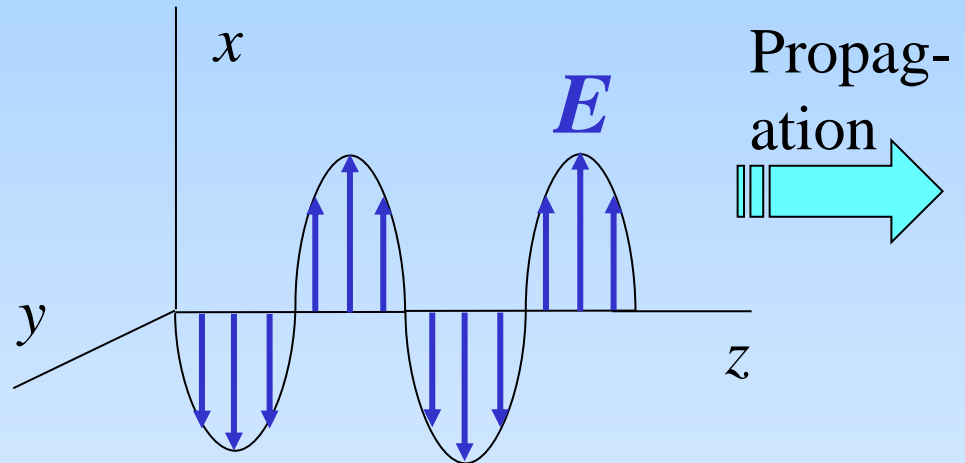
\mathbf{E} may have 3 components: E_x E_y E_z
Choose X-axis // $\mathbf{E} \Rightarrow E_y = E_z = 0$
("Polarization direction" = X-axis).

Question: Does a plane-wave expression for E_x satisfy the wave equation?

$$E_x = E_{x0} \exp\{i(\omega t - kz)\} :$$

E_{x0} = amplitude + polarization vector;
+Z-axis = direction of propagation

NB. E_x has a similar form for all y-values !! (like rolling sea waves)



4. Harmonic Solution of the Wave Equation: Plane Waves

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} = \varepsilon_0 \mu_0 \frac{d^2 \mathbf{E}}{dt^2}$$

\mathbf{E} may have 3 components: $E_x E_y E_z$
 Choose X-axis $\parallel \mathbf{E} \Rightarrow E_y = E_z = 0$
 (Polarization direction = X-axis).

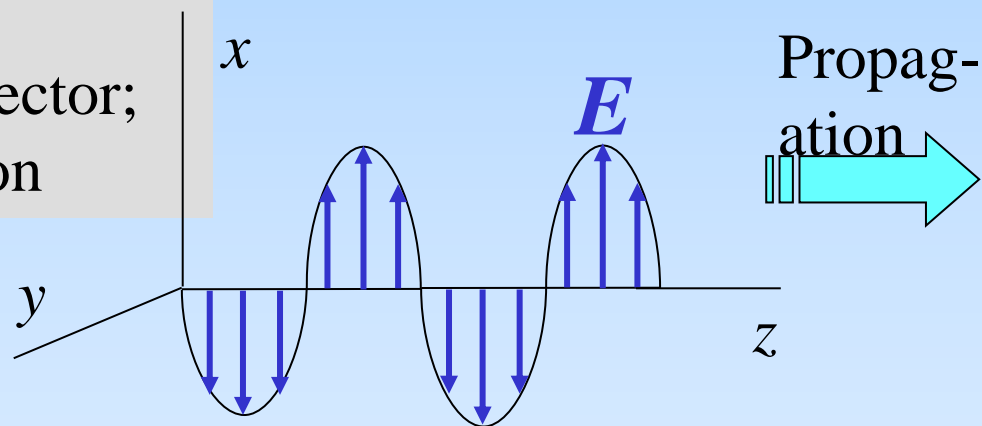
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Insertion into wave equation:

$$\frac{\partial^2 E_x}{\partial z^2} = \varepsilon_0 \mu_0 \frac{\partial^2 E_x}{\partial t^2}$$

$$k^2 E_x = \varepsilon_0 \mu_0 \omega^2 E_x = (\omega^2 / c^2) E_x$$



$$k = \omega / c = 2\pi / \lambda$$

k = wave number ; λ = wavelength
 (in 3D-case: \mathbf{k} = wave vector)

5. Plane waves (1): orientation of fields

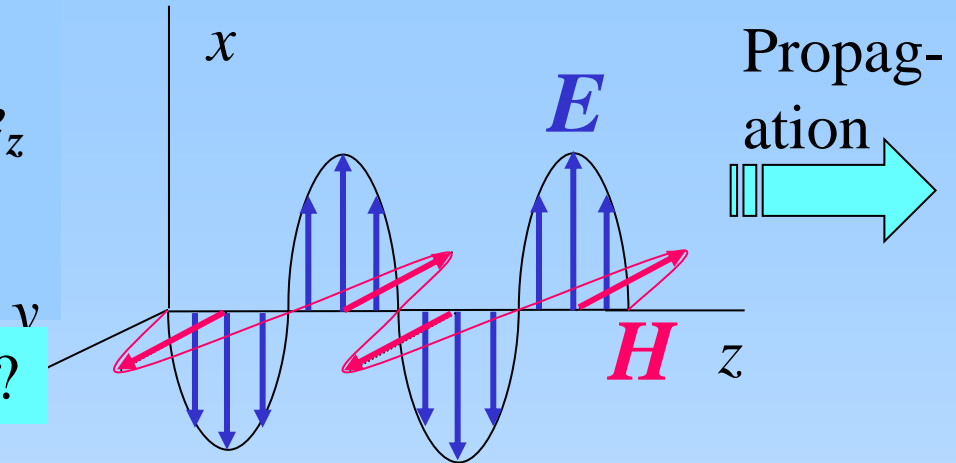
Suppose: $\mathbf{E} \parallel x$ -axis;

.. propagation $\parallel +z$ -axis: $\mathbf{k} \parallel \mathbf{e}_z$

.. $E_x = E_{x0} \exp i(\omega t - kz)$

.. $E_y = E_z = 0$

Question: what is direction of \mathbf{B} ?



Remember: $\text{div } \mathbf{A} = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} = \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial z}$

In *div* and *rot*: only $\partial/\partial z \neq 0$, due to: $\exp i(\omega t - kz)$!

$$(1) \text{div } \mathbf{E} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow -ik \mathbf{e}_z \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \mathbf{E}, \mathbf{D} \perp \mathbf{e}_z$$

$$(2) \text{div } \mathbf{B} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow -ik \mathbf{e}_z \cdot \mathbf{H} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \mathbf{H}, \mathbf{B} \perp \mathbf{e}_z$$

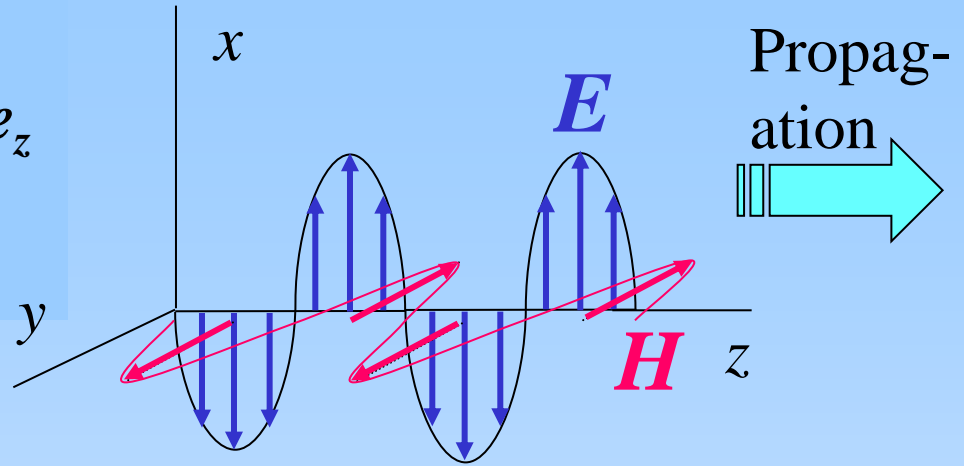
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.. $E_y = E_z = 0$



$\text{div } \mathbf{E} = 0 \rightarrow \mathbf{E}, \mathbf{D} \perp \mathbf{e}_z$

$\text{div } \mathbf{H} = 0 \rightarrow \mathbf{H}, \mathbf{B} \perp \mathbf{e}_z$

What is mutual direction of \mathbf{E}, \mathbf{D} and \mathbf{H}, \mathbf{B} ?

In *div* and *rot*: only $\partial/\partial z \neq 0$,
due to: $\exp i(\omega t - kz)$!

Remember:

$$\text{rot } \mathbf{X} = \nabla \times \mathbf{X} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{e}_x & \mathbf{e}_y & \mathbf{e}_z \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ X_x & X_y & X_z \end{vmatrix}$$

(3) $\text{rot } \mathbf{E} = -d\mathbf{B}/dt$

$\Rightarrow -ik \mathbf{e}_z xE = -i\omega\mu\mathbf{H}$

$\Rightarrow \mathbf{E}, \mathbf{D} \perp \mathbf{H}, \mathbf{B}$

(4) $\text{rot } \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{j}_f + d\mathbf{D}/dt$
 $\mathbf{j}_f = \sigma\mathbf{E}$

$\Rightarrow -ik \mathbf{e}_z xH = \sigma\mathbf{E} + i\omega\epsilon\mathbf{E}$

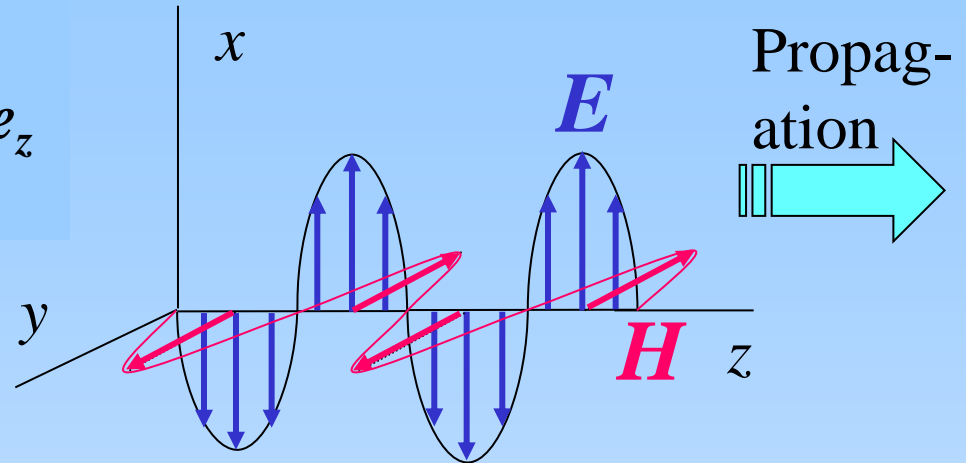
$\Rightarrow \mathbf{E}, \mathbf{D} \perp \mathbf{H}, \mathbf{B}$

5. Plane waves (1): orientation of fields

Suppose: $\mathbf{E} // \text{x-axis}$;

.. propagation // +z-axis: $\mathbf{k} // \mathbf{e}_z$

.. $E_x = E_{x0} \exp i(\omega t - kz)$



(1) $\text{div } \mathbf{E} = 0$

(2) $\text{div } \mathbf{B} = 0$

(3) $\text{rot } \mathbf{E} = - \text{d}\mathbf{B}/\text{d}t$

(4) $\text{rot } \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{j}_f + \text{d}\mathbf{D}/\text{d}t$
 $\mathbf{j}_f = \sigma \mathbf{E}$

Consequences:

(1)+(2): \mathbf{E} and $\mathbf{H} \perp \mathbf{e}_z$

(3)+(4): $\mathbf{E} \perp \mathbf{H}$

If \mathbf{E} chosen // x-axis, then $\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{B} // \text{y-axis}$

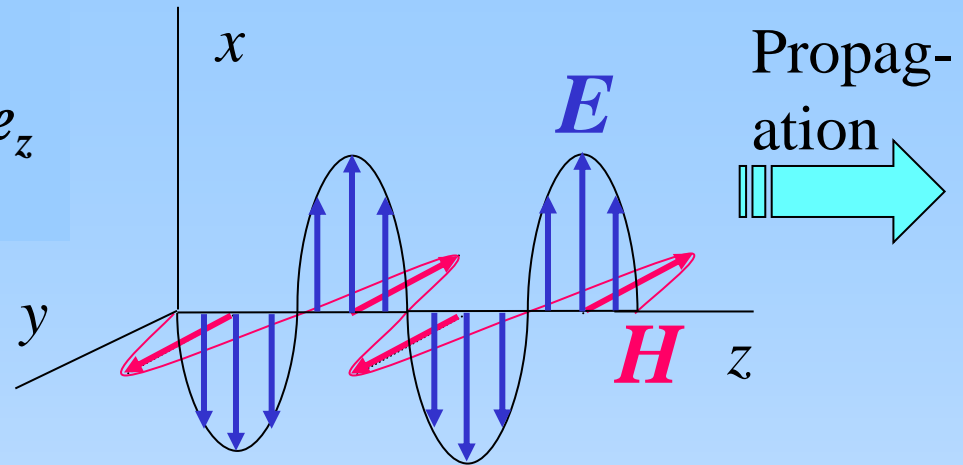
\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{B} also harmonic: $B_y = B_{y0} \exp i(\omega t - kz)$

5. Plane waves (2): complex wave vector

Suppose: $\mathbf{E} \parallel x$ -axis;

.. propagation // +z-axis: $\mathbf{k} \parallel \mathbf{e}_z$

.. $E_x = E_{x0} \exp i(\omega t - kz)$



$$(3) \Rightarrow -ik \mathbf{e}_z \times \mathbf{E} = -i\omega\mu\mathbf{H}$$

$$(4) \Rightarrow -ik \mathbf{e}_z \times \mathbf{H} = \sigma\mathbf{E} + i\omega\varepsilon\mathbf{E}$$

$$\mathbf{E} = \frac{-ik \mathbf{e}_z \times \mathbf{H}}{\sigma + i\omega\varepsilon} = \frac{-ik \mathbf{e}_z \times (k\mathbf{e}_z \times \mathbf{E})}{(\sigma + i\omega\varepsilon) \cdot \omega\mu}$$

and with:
 $\mathbf{e}_z \times \mathbf{e}_z \times \mathbf{E} = -\mathbf{E}$

$$\mathbf{E} = \frac{+ik^2 \mathbf{E}}{(\sigma + i\omega\varepsilon) \cdot \omega\mu}$$

$$ik^2 = (\sigma + i\omega\varepsilon) \cdot \omega\mu$$

$$\rightarrow k \text{ complex: } k = k_{Re} + ik_{Im}$$

$$\exp(-ikz) = \underbrace{\exp(-ik_{Re}z)}_{\text{harmonic}} \cdot \underbrace{\exp(k_{Im}z)}_{\text{absorption/amplification}}$$

harmonic

$k_{Im} < 0$: absorption

> 0 : amplification (“laser”) ²

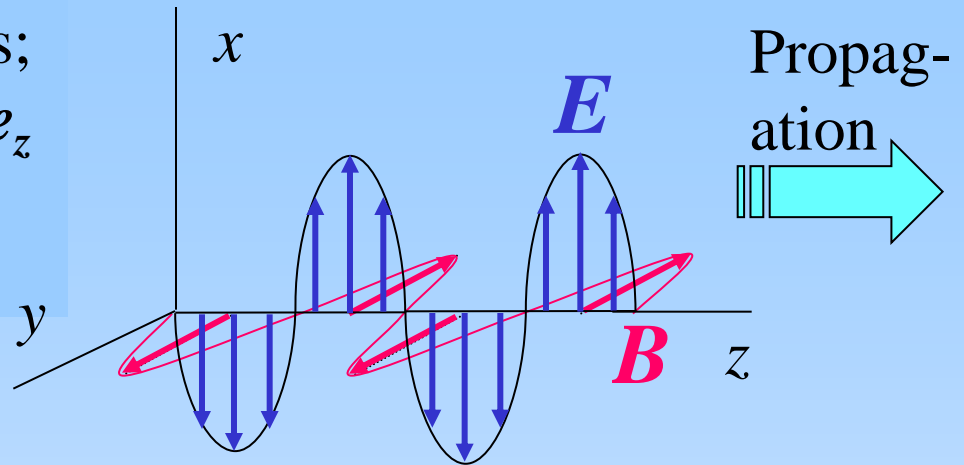
5. Plane waves (3): B - E correspondence

Suppose: $\mathbf{E} \parallel x$ -axis; $\mathbf{B} \parallel y$ -axis;

.. propagation $\parallel +z$ -axis: $\mathbf{k} \parallel \mathbf{e}_z$

$$\text{.. } E_x = E_{x0} \exp i (\omega t - kz)$$

$$\text{.. } B_y = B_{y0} \exp i (\omega t - kz)$$



Faraday: $\text{rot } \mathbf{E} = -d\mathbf{B}/dt$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{e}_x & \mathbf{e}_y & \mathbf{e}_z \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ E_x & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \cdot \mathbf{e}_x \\ B_y \cdot \mathbf{e}_y \\ 0 \cdot \mathbf{e}_z \end{pmatrix}$$

Y - components are $\neq 0$ only :

$$-\frac{\partial}{\partial z} E_x = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} B_y \Rightarrow -k E_{0x} = -\omega B_{0y}$$

$$\text{Result : } E_0 = \frac{\omega}{k} B_0 = c B_0$$

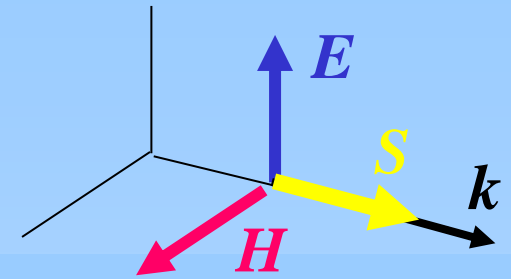
Maxwell (for $\mathbf{j}=0$): $\text{rot } \mathbf{H} = d\mathbf{D}/dt$:
similar result

Maxwell equations are
(partly) redundant.

6. The Poynting vector \mathbf{S} and Intensity

Definition (for free space) : $\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}$

Direction of \mathbf{S} : // \mathbf{k}



$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{S} &= \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}) = \mathbf{H} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{E}) - \mathbf{E} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{H}) = \\ &= \mathbf{H} \cdot (-d\mathbf{B}/dt) - \mathbf{E} \cdot (\mathbf{j}_f + d\mathbf{D}/dt) = -\frac{1}{2\mu_0} \frac{\partial B^2}{\partial t} - \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} \frac{\partial E^2}{\partial t} - \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{j}_f \end{aligned}$$

Integrate over wave volume V (with surface A) and apply Divergence Theorem

$$\oint\oint_A \mathbf{S} \cdot d\mathbf{A} = \iiint_V (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{S}) dv = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \iiint_V \left[\frac{B^2}{\mu_0} + \epsilon_0 E^2 \right] dv - \iiint_V (\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{j}_f) dv$$

Outflux of energy
[J/s] = [W]

Loss of Electromagnetic
field energy [J/s]

Joule heating
losses [J/s]

\mathbf{S} = energy outflux per m^2 = Intensity [W/ m^2]

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