
EEE321 Electromagnetic Fields and Waves

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Electromagnetic Spectrum

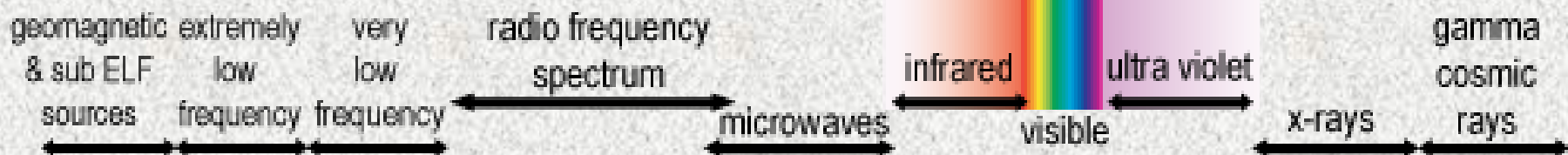
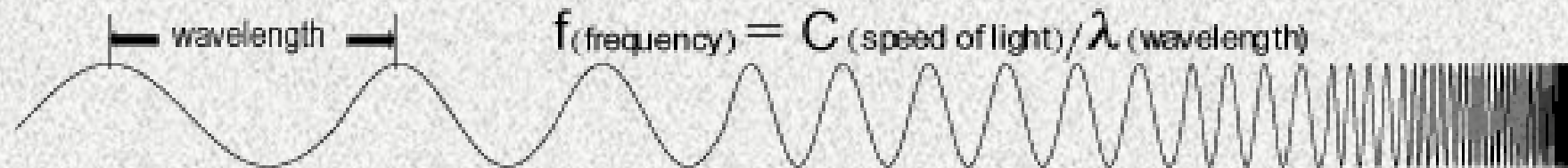
- Maxwell's equations impose no limit on the frequency of electromagnetic waves
- Known spectrum extends continuously from long radio waves to the very high-energy gamma rays of cosmic radiation.
- At the beginning the frequencies were the order of 100 hertz and the wavelength about 3 megameters
- Recently the frequencies are of the order of 10^{24} hertz and the wavelength less than 1 femtometer
- Many experiments demonstrate that all waves are transverse and they travel at the speed of light in free space
- we use **H** instead of **B** in dealing with electromagnetic waves.
 - **$\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}$** is power density and E/H is impedance

THE ELECTROMAGNETIC SPECTRUM

DC SELF 3 Hz ELF 3 kHz VLF 30 kHz LF/MF/HF/VHF/UHF 3 GHz SHF-EHF 300 GHz 430 - 750 THz 30 PHz 3 EHz 300 EHz

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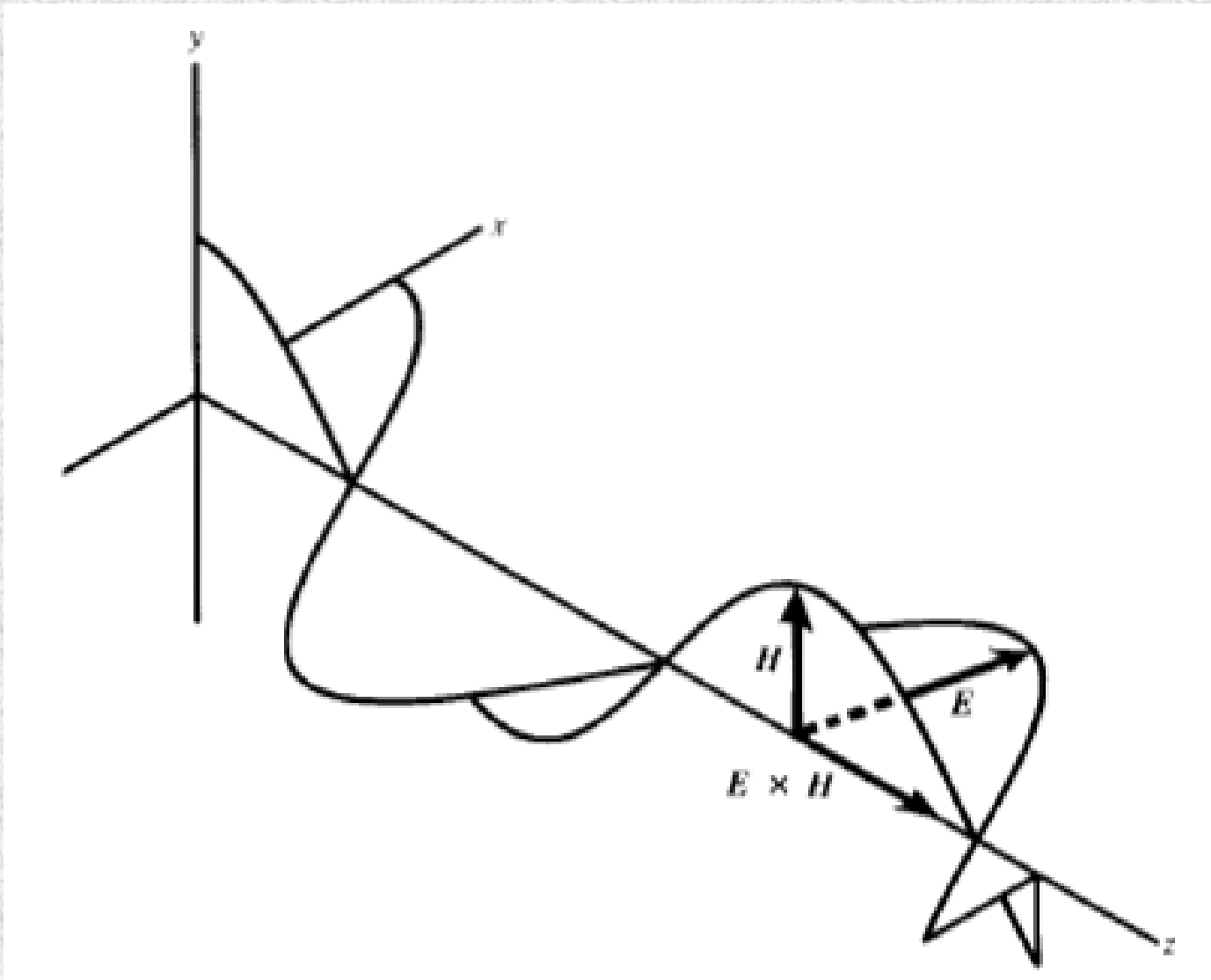
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EMF Sources



Gigahertz (GHz) 10⁻⁹ Terahertz (THz) 10⁻¹² Petahertz (PHz) 10⁻¹⁵ Exahertz (EHz) 10⁻¹⁸ Zettahertz (ZHz) 10⁻²¹ Yottahertz (YHz) 10⁻²⁴



Uniform Plane Electromagnetic Waves in a General Medium

- A wave front is a surface of uniform phase
- The wave front of a **planar wave** is planar
- A wave is uniform if a wave front is a surface of uniform phase and uniform amplitude
- In general medium that is homogeneous isotropic, linear and stationary (HILS) has parameters ϵ_r , μ_r and σ
- We assume a sinusoidal wave travelling in the direction of the z-axis
- The wave is linearly polarized. So **E** and **H** are of the form

$$\mathbf{E} = E_m \exp j(\omega t - kz), \quad \mathbf{H} = H_m \exp j(\omega t - kz) \quad (28-1)$$

- Where **E_m** and **H_m** are vectors that are independent of the time and of the coordinates
- If there is no attenuation, the **wave number is real**

$$k = \frac{\omega}{v} = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{\lambda'} \quad (28-2)$$

Relative Orientation of \mathbf{E} , \mathbf{H} , and \mathbf{k}

- For this particular field

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} = j\omega, \quad \nabla = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{z} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{z} = -jk\hat{z}. \quad (28-3)$$

- We set $\rho_f = 0$. We also set

$$\mathbf{J}_f = \sigma \mathbf{E}, \quad (28-4)$$

- On the assumption that $\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}$ is negligible compared to \mathbf{E} , where \mathbf{v} is the velocity of a conduction electron
- The Maxwell's equations then become

$$-jk\hat{z} \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0, \quad -jk\hat{z} \times \mathbf{E} = -j\omega\mu\mathbf{H}, \quad (28-5)$$

$$-jk\hat{z} \cdot \mathbf{H} = 0, \quad -jk\hat{z} \times \mathbf{H} = \sigma\mathbf{E} + j\omega\epsilon\mathbf{E} \quad (28-6)$$

- And then to

$$\hat{z} \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0, \quad \mathbf{E} = -\frac{k}{\omega\epsilon + j\sigma} \hat{z} \times \mathbf{H}, \quad (28-7)$$

$$\hat{z} \cdot \mathbf{H} = 0, \quad \mathbf{H} = \frac{k}{\omega\mu} \hat{z} \times \mathbf{E}. \quad (28-8)$$

Characteristic Impedance Z of a Medium

- The ratio E/H is the characteristic impedance Z of a medium of propagation:

$$Z = \frac{E}{H} = \frac{k}{\omega\epsilon - j\sigma} = \frac{\omega\mu}{k}. \quad (28-9)$$

Wave Number k

- The value of k^2 follows from the equation given for impedance definition:

$$k^2 = \omega^2 \epsilon \mu - j \omega \sigma \mu = \omega^2 \epsilon \mu \left(1 - j \frac{\sigma}{\omega \epsilon} \right), \quad (28-10)$$

$$= \omega^2 \epsilon_0 \mu_0 \epsilon_r \mu_r \left(1 - j \frac{\sigma}{\omega \epsilon} \right). \quad (28-11)$$

- The σ terms account for Joule losses and attenuation

Wave Equations

- We found nonhomogenous wave equation for **E** and **B** as:

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} - \epsilon_0 \mu_0 \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\nabla \rho}{\epsilon_0} + \mu_0 \frac{\partial \mathbf{J}}{\partial t}, \quad (28-12)$$

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{B} - \epsilon_0 \mu_0 \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{B}}{\partial t^2} = \mu_0 \nabla \times \mathbf{J}. \quad (28-13)$$

- If we set $\rho_f = 0$ and ϵ, μ, σ are parameters of the medium

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} - \epsilon \mu \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2} = \mu \frac{\partial \mathbf{J}_f}{\partial t} = \mu \sigma \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t}, \quad (28-14)$$

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{B} - \epsilon \mu \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{B}}{\partial t^2} = -\mu \sigma \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = \mu \sigma \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}. \quad (28-15)$$

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} - \epsilon \mu \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2} - \mu \sigma \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} = 0, \quad (28-16)$$

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{B} - \epsilon \mu \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{B}}{\partial t^2} - \mu \sigma \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = 0, \quad (28-17)$$

- Or to use **H** instead of **B** $\nabla^2 \mathbf{H} - \epsilon \mu \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{H}}{\partial t^2} - \mu \sigma \frac{\partial \mathbf{H}}{\partial t} = 0. \quad (28-18)$

- Then wave equation for **E** (**H** is also similar) is given by:

$$(-k^2 + \omega^2 \epsilon \mu - j \omega \sigma \mu) \mathbf{E} = 0, \quad (28-19)$$

Uniform Plane Electromagnetic Waves in Free Space

- In free space $\epsilon_r=1$, $\mu_r=1$, $\sigma=0$. There is no attenuation and the wave number is;

$$k = \frac{1}{\lambda_0} \quad (28-20)$$

$$= \omega(\epsilon_0\mu_0)^{1/2}. \quad (28-21)$$

- The speed of light is;

$$c = \frac{\omega}{k} = \frac{1}{(\epsilon_0\mu_0)^{1/2}} = 2.99792458 \times 10^8 \text{ meters/second.} \quad (28-22)$$

- The characteristic impedance of the vacuum is

$$Z_0 = \frac{E}{H} = \frac{k}{\omega\epsilon_0} = \frac{\omega\mu_0}{k} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0 c} = \mu_0 c = \left(\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}\right)^{1/2} = 3.767303 \times 10^2 \approx 377 \text{ ohms.} \quad (28-25)$$

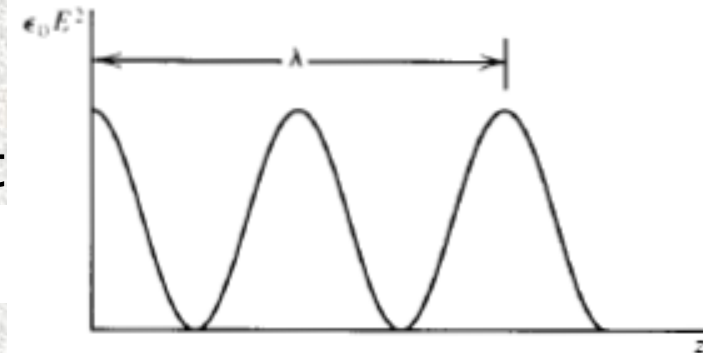
- Thus, since $B = \mu_0 H$ in free space,

$$\frac{E}{B} = \frac{1}{(\epsilon_0\mu_0)^{1/2}} = c, \quad \text{or} \quad E = Bc. \quad (28-26)$$

- The electric and magnetic energy densities are equal:

$$\frac{\epsilon_0 E^2/2}{\mu_0 H^2/2} = \frac{\epsilon_0}{\mu_0} \left(\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0} \right) = 1. \quad (28-27)$$

- At any instant, the total energy fluctuates with z as in figure and its time averaged value at any point



$$\mathbf{E} = E_m \cos(\omega t - kz), \quad \mathbf{H} = H_m \cos(\omega t - kz).$$

- Abandoning the phasor notation

$$\mathcal{E}' = \frac{\epsilon_0 E_{rms}^2}{2} + \frac{\mu_0 H_{rms}^2}{2} = \epsilon_0 E_{rms}^2 = \mu_0 H_{rms}^2. \quad (28-28)$$

- The magnitude of the Poynting vector is

$$|\mathcal{S}| = |\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}| = E_m H_m \cos^2(\omega t - kz). \quad (28-30)$$

- Time averaged Poynting vector is

$$\mathcal{S}_{av} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Re}(\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}^*) \quad (28-31)$$

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- For a uniform plane wave in free space

$$\mathcal{S}_{av} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Re} (EH^*) \hat{\mathbf{z}} \quad (28-32)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} c \epsilon_0 |E_m|^2 \hat{\mathbf{z}} = c \epsilon_0 E_{rms}^2 \hat{\mathbf{z}} = \frac{E_{rms}^2}{Z_0} \hat{\mathbf{z}} \quad (28-33)$$

$$\approx \frac{E_{rms}^2}{377} \hat{\mathbf{z}} \quad \text{watts/meter}^2. \quad (28-34)$$

- The time-aveaged Poyinting vector is equal to total energy density multiplied by the speed of lighth c

Uniform Plane Electromagnetic Waves in Nonconductor

- The situation is the same as in free space, with ϵ and μ replacing ϵ_0 and μ_0 . The phase velocity is,

$$v = \frac{1}{(\epsilon\mu)^{1/2}} = \frac{c}{(\epsilon_r\mu_r)^{1/2}} = \frac{c}{n}, \quad (28-38)$$

- n is index of refraction:

$$n = (\epsilon_r\mu_r)^{1/2}. \quad (28-39)$$

- In nonmagnetic media

$$n = \epsilon_r^{1/2}. \quad (28-40)$$

- ϵ_r is frequency dependant so n is also function of frequency.

- The characteristic impedance of medium is

$$Z = \frac{E}{H} = \left(\frac{\mu}{\epsilon}\right)^{1/2} = 377 \left(\frac{\mu_r}{\epsilon_r}\right)^{1/2} \quad \text{ohms.} \quad (28-41)$$

- The electric and magnetic energy densities are again equal

$$\frac{\epsilon E^2/2}{\mu H^2/2} = 1, \quad (28-42)$$

- Time-averaged energy density is

$$\mathcal{E}'_{av} = \frac{\epsilon E_{rms}^2}{2} + \frac{\mu H_{rms}^2}{2} = \epsilon E_{rms}^2 = \mu H_{rms}^2. \quad (28-43)$$

- The Poynting vector $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}$ points again in the direction of

$$\mathcal{P}_{av} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Re} (E H^*) \hat{\mathbf{z}} = \left(\frac{\epsilon}{\mu} \right)^{1/2} E_{rms}^2 \hat{\mathbf{z}} \quad (28-44)$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{av} \approx \frac{(\epsilon_r / \mu_r)^{1/2} E_{rms}^2}{377} \hat{\mathbf{z}} \quad \text{watts/meter}^2 \quad (28-45)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\epsilon \mu} \epsilon E_{rms}^2 \hat{\mathbf{z}} = v \epsilon E_{rms}^2 \hat{\mathbf{z}}. \quad (28-46)$$

- The time-averaged Poynting vector is equal to total energy density multiplied by the phase velocity

Uniform Plane Electromagnetic Waves in Conductor- Complex Wave Number ($k = \beta - j\alpha$)

- In the conductin medium

$$k^2 = \frac{\epsilon_r \mu_r}{\lambda_0^2} \left(1 - j \frac{\sigma}{\omega \epsilon}\right), \quad (28-52)$$

- So k is complex. Is is the costum to set

$$k = \beta - j\alpha \quad \text{and then} \quad \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{E}_m \exp(-\alpha z) \exp j(\omega t - \beta z), \quad (28-53)$$

- $1/\alpha$ is the attenuation distance or the skin dept δ over which the attenuation decreases by a facter of e . So,

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{\delta}, \quad (28-54)$$

$$\beta = \frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}, \quad (28-55)$$

- And phase velocity is

$$v = \frac{\omega}{\beta}. \quad (28-56)$$

- Let us find α and β in terms of ϵ_r , μ_r and σ . First we set:

$$\mathcal{D} = \frac{\sigma}{\omega \epsilon} = \left| \frac{\sigma E}{\epsilon \partial E / \partial t} \right| = \left| \frac{\sigma E}{\partial D / \partial t} \right| \approx 377 \frac{\sigma \lambda_0}{\epsilon_r}. \quad (28-57)$$

$$\mathcal{D} = \tan l, \quad (28-58)$$

- This is called loss angle of the medium

- Thus

$$k^2 = (\beta - j\alpha)^2 = \left(\frac{\epsilon_r \mu_r}{\lambda_0^2} \right) (1 - jD), \quad (28-60)$$

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{\lambda_0} \left(\frac{\epsilon_r \mu_r}{2} \right)^{1/2} [(1 + D^2)^{1/2} - 1]^{1/2}, \quad (28-61)$$

$$\beta = \frac{1}{\lambda_0} \left(\frac{\epsilon_r \mu_r}{2} \right)^{1/2} [(1 + D^2)^{1/2} + 1]^{1/2}, \quad (28-62)$$

$$k = \frac{(\epsilon_r \mu_r)^{1/2}}{\lambda_0} (1 + D^2)^{1/4} \exp \left(-j \arctan \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \right). \quad (28-63)$$

- For $D \ll 1$ (low loss dielectric)

$$\alpha \approx \frac{(\epsilon_r \mu_r)^{1/2} D}{2\lambda_0} = \left(\frac{\mu_r}{\epsilon_r} \right)^{1/2} \frac{\sigma c \mu_0}{2}, \quad (28-64)$$

$$\beta \approx \frac{(\epsilon_r \mu_r)^{1/2}}{\lambda_0}, \quad v = \frac{\omega}{\beta} \approx \frac{c}{(\epsilon_r \mu_r)^{1/2}}. \quad (28-65)$$

- For $D \gg 1$ (good conductor)

$$k^2 = -jD \frac{\epsilon_r \mu_r}{\lambda_0^2} = -j \frac{\sigma}{\omega \epsilon} \epsilon_r \mu_r \omega^2 \epsilon_0 \mu_0 = -j \sigma \mu \omega, \quad (28-66) \quad n = \frac{c}{\omega / \beta} = \frac{c\beta}{\omega} = c \left(\frac{\sigma \mu}{2\omega} \right)^{1/2} \quad (28-69)$$

$$k = \left(\frac{\sigma \mu \omega}{2} \right)^{1/2} (1 - j), \quad (28-67)$$

$$\alpha = \beta = \left(\frac{\sigma \mu \omega}{2} \right)^{1/2}. \quad (28-68)$$

Uniform Plane Electromagnetic Waves in Conductor- Characteristic Impedance

- The characteristic impedance of a conducting medium is complex:

$$Z = \frac{E}{H} = \frac{k}{\omega\epsilon - j\sigma} = \frac{\omega\mu}{k} \quad (28-70)$$

$$= \left(\frac{\mu}{\epsilon}\right)^{1/2} \frac{\exp j \arctan(\alpha/\beta)}{(1 + \mathcal{D}^2)^{1/4}} \approx 377 \left(\frac{\mu_r}{\epsilon_r}\right)^{1/2} \frac{\exp j \arctan(\alpha/\beta)}{(1 + \mathcal{D}^2)^{1/4}} \text{ ohms} \quad (28-71)$$

- This means that E and H are not in phase:

$$\frac{E}{H} = \frac{\omega\mu}{\beta - j\alpha}, \quad (28-72) \quad \theta = \arctan \frac{\alpha}{\beta}. \quad (28-73)$$

- Therefore

$$E = E_m \exp(-\alpha z) \exp j(\omega t - \beta z), \quad (28-74)$$

$$H = H_m \exp(-\alpha z) \exp j(\omega t - \beta z - \theta), \quad (28-75)$$

- With

$$\frac{E_m}{H_m} = \frac{\omega\mu}{k} = \left(\frac{\mu}{\epsilon}\right)^{1/2} \frac{1}{(1 + \mathcal{D}^2)^{1/4}} = \left(\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{\mu_r}{\epsilon_r}\right)^{1/2} \frac{1}{(1 + \mathcal{D}^2)^{1/4}} \quad (28-76)$$

$$\approx 377 \left(\frac{\mu_r}{\epsilon_r}\right)^{1/2} \frac{1}{(1 + \mathcal{D}^2)^{1/4}} \text{ ohms.} \quad (28-77)$$

Uniform Plane Electromagnetic Waves in Conductor- Energy Density

- Time-averaged electric and magnetic energy densities are in ratio

$$\frac{\mathcal{E}'_e}{\mathcal{E}'_m} = \frac{\epsilon E_{\text{rms}}^2/2}{\mu H_{\text{rms}}^2/2} = \frac{1}{(1 + \mathcal{D}^2)^{1/2}} \quad (28-78)$$

- There is less electric energy than magnetic energy because the conductivity both decreases \mathbf{E} and adds conduction current to the displacement current, which increase \mathbf{H} .
- The time-averaged total energy density is;

$$\frac{1}{2}(\epsilon E_{\text{rms}}^2 + \mu H_{\text{rms}}^2) \exp(-2\alpha z) = \frac{1}{2}(\epsilon E_{\text{rms}}^2)[1 + (1 + \mathcal{D}^2)^{1/2}] \exp(-2\alpha z). \quad (28-79)$$

Poynting Theorem

- We referred to the Poynting vector

$$\mathcal{S} = \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H} \quad (28-80)$$

- This vector is of great theoretical and practical interest. To prove Poynting Theorem, first we use vector identity

$$\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}) = \mathbf{H} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{E}) - \mathbf{E} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{H}). \quad (28-81)$$

- In HILS medium

$$\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}) = -\mathbf{H} \cdot \mu \frac{\partial \mathbf{H}}{\partial t} - \mathbf{E} \cdot \left(\epsilon \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{J}_f \right) \quad (28-82)$$

$$= -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{\epsilon E^2}{2} + \frac{\mu H^2}{2} \right) - \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{J}_f. \quad (28-83)$$

- Now we change the sign and integrate over a volume v of a finite extent and of a surface of area A , and finally apply the divergence theorem on the left then;

$$-\int_{\mathcal{A}} (\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}) \cdot d\mathcal{A} = \frac{d}{dt} \int_v \left(\frac{\epsilon E^2}{2} + \frac{\mu H^2}{2} \right) dv + \int_v \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{J}_f dv. \quad (28-84)$$

- is the total power flowing out of closed surface of area A

- The time-averaged magnitude of the Poynting vector is

$$\mathcal{S}_{av} = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re} \{ [E_m \exp(-\alpha z) \exp j(\omega t - \beta z)] \times [H_m \exp(-\alpha z) \exp j(-\omega t + \beta z + \theta)] \} \quad (28-86)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} E_m H_m \cos \theta \exp(-2\alpha z), \quad (28-87)$$

- Where θ is defined as

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\beta}{(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)^{1/2}}. \quad (28-88)$$

$$\mathcal{S}_{av} = \left(\frac{\epsilon}{\mu} \right)^{1/2} (1 + \mathcal{D}^2)^{1/4} E_{rms}^2 \cos \theta \exp(-2\alpha z) \quad (28-89)$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{377} \left(\frac{\epsilon_r}{\mu_r} \right)^{1/2} (1 + \mathcal{D}^2)^{1/4} E_{rms}^2 \cos \theta \exp(-2\alpha z). \quad (28-90)$$

$$\mathcal{S}_{av} = (\text{time-averaged energy density}) \times (\text{phase velocity}) \quad (28-91)$$

It is easy to show that