

1) a)  $\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{E}_0 \exp(i k_0 \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{r} - i \omega t)$ ;  $\vec{H}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{H}_0 \exp(i k_0 \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{r} - i \omega t)$ .

Here  $\vec{E}_0 = E_{0x} \hat{x} + E_{0y} \hat{y} + E_{0z} \hat{z}$ ,  $\vec{H}_0 = H_{0x} \hat{x} + H_{0y} \hat{y} + H_{0z} \hat{z}$ ,  $\vec{\sigma} = \sigma_x \hat{x} + \sigma_y \hat{y} + \sigma_z \hat{z}$ .

All components of  $\vec{E}_0, \vec{H}_0, \vec{\sigma}$  are complex-valued.

b)  $\vec{D} \cdot \vec{D} = P_{\text{free}} \Rightarrow \vec{D} \cdot \vec{D} = 0 \Rightarrow \epsilon_0 \epsilon \vec{D} \cdot \vec{E} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{E}_0 = 0$ .

$$\vec{D} \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \Rightarrow \mu_0 \mu \vec{D} \cdot \vec{H} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{D} \cdot \vec{H} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{H}_0 = 0.$$

$$\vec{D} \times \vec{H} = \vec{J}_{\text{free}} + \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} \Rightarrow i k_0 \vec{\sigma} \times \vec{H}_0 = -i \omega \epsilon_0 \epsilon(\omega) \vec{E}_0 \Rightarrow \vec{\sigma} \times \vec{H}_0 = -\frac{\epsilon(\omega)}{Z_0} \vec{E}_0.$$

$$\vec{D} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \Rightarrow i k_0 \vec{\sigma} \times \vec{E}_0 = i \omega \mu_0 \mu(\omega) \vec{H}_0 \Rightarrow \vec{\sigma} \times \vec{E}_0 = Z_0 M(\omega) \vec{H}_0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\sigma} \times \vec{E}_0 = Z_0 M(\omega) \vec{H}_0 \Rightarrow -\frac{Z_0}{\epsilon(\omega)} \vec{\sigma} \times (\vec{\sigma} \times \vec{H}_0) = Z_0 M(\omega) \vec{H}_0 \Rightarrow$$

$$(0 \cancel{(\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{H}_0)} \vec{\sigma} - (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{\sigma}) \vec{H}_0) = -M(\omega) \epsilon(\omega) \vec{H}_0 \Rightarrow \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{\sigma} = |\vec{\sigma}|^2 = M(\omega) \epsilon(\omega)$$

c)  $M(\omega) = |\vec{\sigma}| = \sqrt{M(\omega) \epsilon(\omega)}$ .

d)  $\sigma_x = \sigma_y = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \sigma_x E_{x0} + \sigma_y E_{y0} + \sigma_z E_{z0} = 0 \Rightarrow E_{z0} = 0 \\ \sigma_x H_{x0} + \sigma_y H_{y0} + \sigma_z H_{z0} = 0 \Rightarrow H_{z0} = 0 \\ \sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2 + \sigma_z^2 = M(\omega) \epsilon(\omega) \Rightarrow \sigma_z = \sqrt{M(\omega) \epsilon(\omega)} \end{cases}$

$$\vec{\sigma} \times \vec{E}_0 = Z_0 M(\omega) \vec{H}_0 \Rightarrow \vec{\sigma} \times (E_{x0} \hat{x} + E_{y0} \hat{y}) = \frac{\sigma_z}{Z_0} E_{x0} \hat{y} - \frac{\sigma_z}{Z_0} E_{y0} \hat{x} = Z_0 M(\omega) (H_{x0} \hat{x} + H_{y0} \hat{y})$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \sqrt{M \epsilon} E_{x0} = Z_0 M H_{y0} \\ \sqrt{M \epsilon} E_{y0} = -Z_0 M H_{x0} \end{cases} \Rightarrow Z_0 = \frac{E_{x0}}{H_{y0}} = -\frac{E_{y0}}{H_{x0}} = Z_0 \sqrt{\frac{M(\omega)}{\epsilon(\omega)}}.$$

2) a)  $\langle \vec{s} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re}(\vec{E} \times \vec{H}^*) = \frac{1}{2} \vec{E} \hat{x} \times (\vec{E}^*/Z_0) \hat{y} = \frac{|E_0|^2}{2Z_0} \hat{z}$ .

Total energy content =  $(\pi R^2) T \langle s_z \rangle = \pi R^2 C |E_0|^2 / 2Z_0$ .

Total momentum = momentum density  $\times$  Volume =  $\frac{\langle \vec{s} \rangle}{C^2} \pi R^2 C T = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon \pi R^2 C |E_0|^2 \hat{z}$ .

b) The massive mirror acquires twice the momentum of the incident pulse, that is,

$$\vec{P}_{\text{mirror}} = \epsilon_0 \pi R^2 c |E_0|^2 \hat{\vec{s}}$$

$$\text{Mirror's kinetic energy} = \frac{1}{2} M_0 v^2 = \frac{M_0^2 v^2}{2 M_0} = \frac{P_{\text{mirror}}^2}{2 M_0} \rightarrow 0 \text{ when } M_0 \rightarrow \infty.$$

If the mass  $M_0$  of the mirror happens to be finite, the reflected light will be Doppler-shifted toward red, so that its reduced energy will account for the kinetic energy of the mirror after the pulse has been reflected.

c) Mechanical momentum of perfect absorber = electromagnetic momentum of the light pulse =  $\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 \pi R^2 c |E_0|^2 \hat{\vec{s}}$ .

Non-relativistic Treatment : Absorber's kinetic energy =  $\frac{P_{\text{absorber}}^2}{2 M_0} = \frac{\epsilon_0^2 \pi^2 R^4 c^2 |E_0|^4}{8 M_0}$ .

- The kinetic energy of the absorber, which is always less than the pulse energy, comes from the electromagnetic energy of the light pulse. ✓
- The remaining energy of the light pulse is converted to heat, which raises the temperature of the absorber. ✓

Relativistic Treatment : The absorber will end up with mass  $M$  and velocity  $\vec{v}$ . The new rest mass of the absorber will be  $M'_0 = M \sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}$ .

Conservation of energy :  $M c^2 = M_0 c^2 + \frac{\pi R^2 c |E_0|^2}{2 \epsilon_0} \Rightarrow M = M_0 + \frac{\pi R^2 c \epsilon_0 |E_0|^2}{2 c}$ .

Conservation of momentum :  $\vec{P}_{\text{absorber}} = \vec{P}_{\text{pulse}} \Rightarrow M \vec{v} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 \pi R^2 c |E_0|^2 \hat{\vec{s}} \Rightarrow$

$$\vec{v} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \pi R^2 c \epsilon_0 |E_0|^2 \hat{\vec{s}}}{M_0 + \frac{\pi R^2 c \epsilon_0 |E_0|^2}{2 c}} \Rightarrow \frac{v}{c} = \left( 1 + \frac{2 M_0 c}{\pi R^2 c \epsilon_0 |E_0|^2} \right)^{-1}$$

Once again, the kinetic energy of the absorber comes from the electromagnetic energy of the pulse. The thermal energy, however, has become a part of the absorber, contributing to its increased mass  $M'_0$ .