

Day 1) Denoting by σ the normalized k -vector $\mathbf{k}/k_0 = c\mathbf{k}/\omega_0 = \lambda_0\mathbf{k}/2\pi$, we write

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \mathbf{E}_0 \exp[i(2\pi/\lambda_0)(\sigma \cdot \mathbf{r} - ct)], \quad \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \mathbf{H}_0 \exp[i(2\pi/\lambda_0)(\sigma \cdot \mathbf{r} - ct)].$$

Maxwell's first and fourth equations then yield

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0 \rightarrow \sigma \cdot \mathbf{E}_0 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \nabla \cdot \mathbf{H} = 0 \rightarrow \sigma \cdot \mathbf{H}_0 = 0.$$

Invoking Maxwell's second and third equations, we now find

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\partial \mathbf{B} / \partial t &\rightarrow i(2\pi/\lambda_0) \sigma \times \mathbf{E}_0 = -(-i2\pi c/\lambda_0) \mu_0 \mathbf{H}_0 \rightarrow \sigma \times \mathbf{E}_0 = Z_0 \mathbf{H}_0. \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \partial \mathbf{D} / \partial t &\rightarrow i(2\pi/\lambda_0) \sigma \times \mathbf{H}_0 = (-i2\pi c/\lambda_0) \epsilon_0 \epsilon \mathbf{E}_0 \rightarrow \sigma \times \mathbf{H}_0 = -(\epsilon/Z_0) \mathbf{E}_0. \end{aligned}$$

Combining the above equations, we will have

$$\sigma \times (\sigma \times \mathbf{E}_0) = -\epsilon \mathbf{E}_0 \rightarrow (\cancel{\sigma \cdot \mathbf{E}_0})^0 \sigma - (\sigma \cdot \sigma) \mathbf{E}_0 = -\epsilon \mathbf{E}_0 \rightarrow \sigma \cdot \sigma = \epsilon = n^2.$$

a) In free space: $n = 1 \rightarrow \sigma = \hat{\mathbf{z}} \rightarrow Z_0 \mathbf{H}_i = \hat{\mathbf{z}} \times E_i \hat{\mathbf{x}} \rightarrow Z_0 \mathbf{H}_i = E_i \hat{\mathbf{y}}$.

b) Inside the slab: $\sigma = n\hat{\mathbf{z}} \rightarrow Z_0 \mathbf{H}_t = \sigma \times \mathbf{E}_t = n\hat{\mathbf{z}} \times \mathbf{E}_t \rightarrow Z_0 \mathbf{H}_t = nE_t \hat{\mathbf{y}}$.

c) Rate of energy flow in free space: $\langle \mathbf{S}_i \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{E}_i \times \mathbf{H}_i = (E_i^2 / 2Z_0) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$.

Rate of energy flow in the transparent slab: $\langle \mathbf{S}_t \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{E}_t \times \mathbf{H}_t = (nE_t^2 / 2Z_0) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$.

$$\langle \mathbf{S}_i \rangle = \langle \mathbf{S}_t \rangle \rightarrow E_i^2 / 2Z_0 = nE_t^2 / 2Z_0 \rightarrow E_t = E_i / \sqrt{n} \rightarrow H_t = nE_t / Z_0 = \sqrt{n}E_i / Z_0.$$

d) E -field energy-density inside dispersionless medium: $\frac{1}{2}\epsilon_0 \epsilon E_t^2 = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_0 n^2 (E_i / \sqrt{n})^2 = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_0 n E_i^2$.

H -field energy-density inside dispersionless medium: $\frac{1}{2}\mu_0 H_t^2 = \frac{1}{2}\mu_0 (\sqrt{n} E_i / Z_0)^2 = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_0 n E_i^2$.

Thus, the E - and H -field energy-densities within the transparent medium of the slab are equal.

Let the pulse duration and cross-sectional area be T and A , respectively. In the free-space region, the length of the pulse is cT , its volume is cTA , and its energy-density is $\frac{1}{2}\epsilon_0 E_i^2 + \frac{1}{2}\mu_0 H_i^2 = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_0 E_i^2 + \frac{1}{2}\mu_0 (E_i / Z_0)^2 = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_0 E_i^2$. Consequently, the total energy of the light pulse in the free-space region is $\frac{1}{2}\epsilon_0 E_i^2 cTA$.

Inside the glass medium of the dielectric slab, the length of the pulse is cT/n , its volume is cTA/n , and its energy-density is $\frac{1}{2}\epsilon_0 n E_i^2 + \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_0 n E_i^2 = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_0 n E_i^2$. Therefore, the total energy of the pulse propagating within the slab is also $\frac{1}{2}\epsilon_0 E_i^2 cTA$. The pulse energy is thus seen to be preserved.

Day 2) a) $\mathbf{H}(x, t) = H_0 \cos\{\omega[t - n(\omega)x/c]\} \hat{\mathbf{z}}$.

Maxwell's third equation: $\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\partial \mathbf{B} / \partial t \quad \rightarrow \quad (\partial E_y / \partial x) \hat{\mathbf{z}} = -\mu_0 (\partial H_z / \partial t) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$

$$\rightarrow E_0 [\omega n(\omega)/c] \sin\{\omega[t - n(\omega)x/c]\} = \mu_0 H_0 \omega \sin\{\omega[t - n(\omega)x/c]\}$$

$$\rightarrow H_0 = n(\omega) E_0 / \mu_0 c = n(\omega) E_0 / Z_0.$$

b) $\mathbf{S}(x, t) = \mathbf{E}(x, t) \times \mathbf{H}(x, t) = E_0 H_0 \cos^2\{\omega[t - n(\omega)x/c]\} \hat{\mathbf{x}}$

$$\rightarrow \langle \mathbf{S}(x, t) \rangle = E_0 H_0 \langle \cos^2\{\omega[t - n(\omega)x/c]\} \rangle \hat{\mathbf{x}} = [n(\omega)/2Z_0] E_0^2 \hat{\mathbf{x}}.$$

c) $\mathbf{E}_1(x, t) + \mathbf{E}_2(x, t) = E_0 \{ \cos\{\omega[t - n(\omega)x/c]\} + \cos\{\omega'[t - n(\omega')x/c]\} \} \hat{\mathbf{y}}$

$$= 2E_0 \cos\left\{\left(\frac{\omega + \omega'}{2}\right)t - \frac{[\omega n(\omega) + \omega' n(\omega')]x}{2c}\right\} \cos\left\{\left(\frac{\omega' - \omega}{2}\right)t - \frac{[\omega' n(\omega') - \omega n(\omega)]x}{2c}\right\} \hat{\mathbf{y}}$$

$$\cong 2E_0 \underbrace{\cos\{\omega_c[t - n(\omega_c)x/c]\}}_{\substack{\text{carrier:} \\ \text{phase velocity} = c/n(\omega_c)}} \underbrace{\cos\left\{\frac{1}{2}\Delta\omega \left[t - \frac{\omega' n(\omega') - \omega n(\omega)}{\omega' - \omega} (x/c)\right]\right\}}_{\substack{\text{envelope:} \\ \text{group velocity} = \frac{c}{d[\omega n(\omega)]/d\omega|_{\omega=\omega_c}}}} \hat{\mathbf{y}}.$$

Here, $d[\omega n(\omega)]/d\omega|_{\omega=\omega_c} = n(\omega_c) + \omega_c n'(\omega_c)$, where the derivative n' of the refractive index n is evaluated at the center frequency ω_c .