

Guided wave solutions

Wave equation:

Assume: no variation in structure with z

$n(x, y) = \sqrt{\epsilon\mu}$ is piecewise constant, isotropic

then w/in each region,

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{D} = \nabla \cdot (\epsilon \vec{E}) = \epsilon \nabla \cdot \vec{E} = 0 \quad \text{no free charges}$$

\therefore use wave eqn in each region

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E} - \frac{\epsilon\mu}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2} = 0 \quad \text{where } \epsilon, \mu \text{ depend on region}$$

satisfy the boundary conditions to connect the solutions,

separation of variables

$$\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{E}_T(\vec{r}_T) e^{i(k_z z - \omega t)}$$

wave prop to right
if $k_z > 0$

All fields vary with $e^{-i\omega t}$

Since eqn is linear, we can later add different solutions with diff't ω 's (e.g. Fourier series)

We can write Laplacian as

$$\nabla^2 \rightarrow \nabla_T^2 + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}$$

in Cartesian, $\nabla_T^2 f = (\partial_x^2 + \partial_y^2) f$

in cylindrical, $\nabla_T^2 f = \frac{1}{r} \partial_r (r \partial_r f) + \frac{1}{r^2} \partial_\phi^2 f$

Now wave eqn. is

$$\nabla_T^2 \vec{E}_T(\vec{r}_T) - k_z^2 \vec{E}_T + \frac{n^2 \omega^2}{c^2} \vec{E}_T = 0$$

rearrange:

$$\nabla_T^2 \vec{E}_T + n^2(\vec{r}_T) k_0^2 \vec{E}_T = k_z^2 \vec{E}_T$$

w/ similar eqn for \vec{B}_T

In Cartesian coord, allowed solutions are of form $e^{\pm i k_x x} e^{\pm i k_y y}$

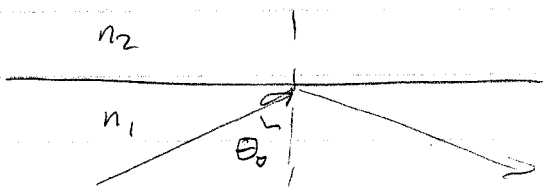
$$\rightarrow k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2 = n^2 k_0^2 \quad \text{in each region}$$

no assumptions here about k 's and n 's being real

Also, note that k_z is a constant through the system.

- each value of $n \rightarrow$ different values of $\vec{E}_T(\vec{r}_T)$; k_x, k_y

- all fields have $e^{i k_z z}$ dependence



$$k_z = n_1 k_0 \sin \theta_0 = n_2 k_0 \sin \theta_2$$

this is phase continuity = Snell's law

Structure of wave equation is an eigenvalue eqn:

$$\left[\nabla_T^2 + n^2(\vec{r}_T) k_0^2 \right] \vec{E}_T = k_z^2 \vec{E}_T$$

same structure as Schrodinger wave eqn.

$$\text{where } \hat{H} \psi = E \psi$$

$$\text{and } \hat{H} = \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} + V(\vec{r}) = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + V(\vec{r})$$

boundary conditions can impose quantization

\rightarrow discrete eigenvalues k_z

revisit plane // conductors; TE
 $\vec{E}_T = \hat{x} (a e^{ik_y y} + b e^{-ik_y y})$

$$E = 0 \text{ at } y = 0 \rightarrow a = -b \quad \therefore \text{use } \sin k_y y$$

$$\vec{E}_T = \hat{x} E_0 \sin(k_y y)$$

$$E = 0 \text{ at } y = b \rightarrow k_y b = m\pi$$

$$k_y = \frac{m\pi}{b}$$

$$\text{now } k_z = \sqrt{n^2 k_0^2 - k_y^2}$$

TM:

$$B_z = 0 \quad E_y, E_z \neq 0 \quad \nabla \cdot \vec{B} = \partial_x B_x + \partial_y B_y = 0$$

$B_y = 0$ or constant, but at conductor $B_y \rightarrow 0$

\therefore only have B_x, E_y, E_z

choose which to solve for.

redundancy in Maxwell eqns

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \partial_y E_y + \partial_z E_z = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$(\nabla \times \vec{E})_x = ik_0 B_x \rightarrow \partial_y E_z - ik_z E_y = ik_0 B_x \quad (2)$$

$$\nabla \times B_x = -ik_0 \vec{E} \rightarrow ik_z B_x = -ik_0 E_y \quad (3)$$

$$-\partial_y B_y = -ik_0 E_z \quad (4)$$

Any will work, but if we solve for E_z ,
 can get others thru derivatives

$$(3) \quad E_y = -\frac{k_z}{k_0} B_x$$

$$\rightarrow (4) \quad \partial_y E_z + i \frac{k_z^2}{k_0} B_x = ik_0 B_x$$

$$k_0 \partial_y E_z = i(k_0^2 - k_z^2) B_x = i k_y^2 B_x$$

$$B_x = -i \frac{k_0}{k_y^2} \partial_y E_z$$

$$E_y = -\frac{k_z}{k_0} B_x = i \frac{k_z}{k_y^2} \partial_y E_z$$

message: can get all components for TM directly from E_z

For TE, can get all from B_z

This is especially valuable in 2D waveguides, since B.C. are uniform at all walls.

\therefore for TM solve for E_z with $E_z \rightarrow 0$ at walls.

for TE solve for B_z

$$\text{from } \nabla \times \vec{B} = -i k_0 \vec{E}$$

$$\frac{\partial B_z}{\partial y} - i k_z B_y = i k_0 E_x$$

$$\text{at walls } B_y = E_x = 0 \quad \therefore \quad \underline{\underline{\frac{\partial B_z}{\partial y} = 0}}$$

derivative of $B_z \rightarrow 0$ at walls TE

HM Book has all connections btw fields derived.

just remember in 2D waveguides to solve for z compon.