

**ECE 222b**  
**Applied Electromagnetics**  
**Notes Set 3b**

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# Reflection and Transmission (1)

## 1. Normal incidence

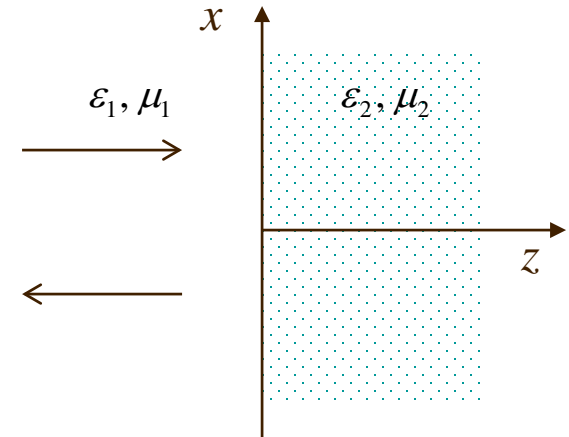
$$\vec{E}^i = \hat{x}E_0 e^{-j\beta_1 z}$$

$$\vec{E}^r = \hat{x}RE_0 e^{j\beta_1 z}$$

$$\vec{E}^t = \hat{x}TE_0 e^{-j\beta_2 z}$$

$$\beta_1 = \omega\sqrt{\mu_1\epsilon_1}$$

$$\beta_2 = \omega\sqrt{\mu_2\epsilon_2}$$



First, find the magnetic fields:

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = -j\omega\mu\vec{H} \quad \rightarrow$$

$$\vec{H}^i = \hat{y} \frac{E_0}{\eta_1} e^{-j\beta_1 z}$$

$$\vec{H}^r = -\hat{y} \frac{RE_0}{\eta_1} e^{j\beta_1 z}$$

$$\vec{H}^t = \hat{y} \frac{TE_0}{\eta_2} e^{-j\beta_2 z}$$

$$\eta_1 = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_1}{\epsilon_1}}$$

$$\eta_2 = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_2}{\epsilon_2}}$$

## Reflection and Transmission (2)

$$\vec{E}_1 = \vec{E}^i + \vec{E}^r$$

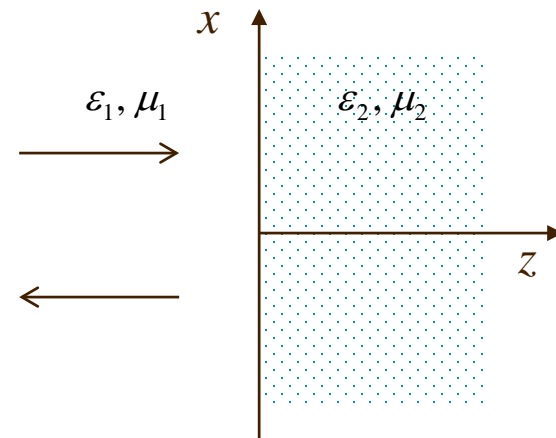
$$\vec{E}_2 = \vec{E}^t$$

$$\vec{H}_1 = \vec{H}^i + \vec{H}^r$$

$$\vec{H}_2 = \vec{H}^t$$

$$E_0 + RE_0 = TE_0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 1 + R = T$$

$$\frac{E_0}{\eta_1} - \frac{RE_0}{\eta_1} = \frac{TE_0}{\eta_2} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{1}{\eta_1}(1 - R) = \frac{1}{\eta_2}T$$



**Solution:**

$$R = \frac{\eta_2 - \eta_1}{\eta_2 + \eta_1}, \quad T = \frac{2\eta_2}{\eta_2 + \eta_1}$$

**Special case:**

1. If  $\eta_2 = \eta_1$ , then  $R = 0$ ,  $T = 1$

2. If  $\eta_2 = 0$ , then  $R = -1$ ,  $T = 0$

# Reflection and Transmission (3)

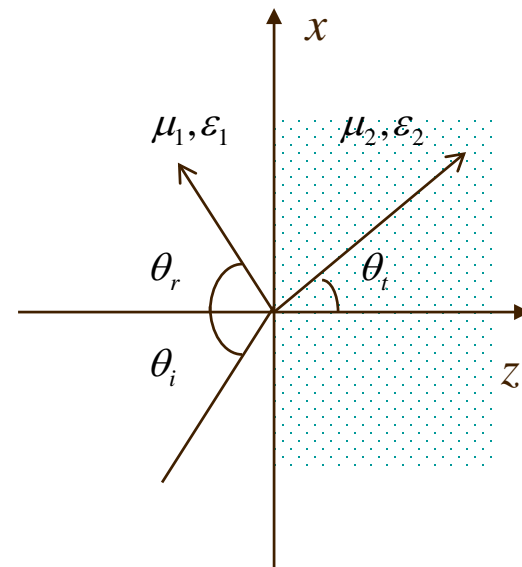
## 2. Oblique incidence

### A. Perpendicular polarization (E-pol.)

$$\vec{E}^i = \hat{y}E_0 e^{-j\vec{\beta}^i \cdot \vec{r}} = \hat{y}E_0 e^{-j\beta_1(x \sin \theta_i + z \cos \theta_i)}$$

$$\vec{E}^r = \hat{y}R_{\perp}E_0 e^{-j\vec{\beta}^r \cdot \vec{r}} = \hat{y}R_{\perp}E_0 e^{-j\beta_1(x \sin \theta_r - z \cos \theta_r)}$$

$$\vec{E}^t = \hat{y}T_{\perp}E_0 e^{-j\vec{\beta}^t \cdot \vec{r}} = \hat{y}T_{\perp}E_0 e^{-j\beta_2(x \sin \theta_t + z \cos \theta_t)}$$



$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = -j\omega\mu\vec{H}$$

$$\vec{H}^i = (-\hat{x} \cos \theta_i + \hat{z} \sin \theta_i) \frac{E_0}{\eta_1} e^{-j\beta_1(x \sin \theta_i + z \cos \theta_i)}$$



$$\vec{H}^r = (\hat{x} \cos \theta_r + \hat{z} \sin \theta_r) \frac{R_{\perp}E_0}{\eta_1} e^{-j\beta_1(x \sin \theta_r - z \cos \theta_r)}$$

$$\vec{H}^t = (-\hat{x} \cos \theta_t + \hat{z} \sin \theta_t) \frac{T_{\perp}E_0}{\eta_2} e^{-j\beta_2(x \sin \theta_t + z \cos \theta_t)}$$

# Reflection and Transmission (4)

$$\hat{n} \times (\vec{E}_1 - \vec{E}_2) = 0, \quad \text{or} \quad E_{1\text{tan}} = E_{2\text{tan}} \quad \longrightarrow$$

$$E_0 e^{-j\beta_1 \sin \theta_i x} + R_{\perp} E_0 e^{-j\beta_1 \sin \theta_r x} = T_{\perp} E_0 e^{-j\beta_2 \sin \theta_t x}$$

$$\hat{n} \times (\vec{H}_1 - \vec{H}_2) = 0, \quad \text{or} \quad H_{1\text{tan}} = H_{2\text{tan}} \quad \longrightarrow$$

$$-\cos \theta_i \frac{E_0}{\eta_1} e^{-j\beta_1 \sin \theta_i x} + \cos \theta_r \frac{R_{\perp} E_0}{\eta_1} e^{-j\beta_1 \sin \theta_r x} = -\cos \theta_t \frac{T_{\perp} E_0}{\eta_2} e^{-j\beta_2 \sin \theta_t x}$$

**Phase matching:**  $\beta_1 \sin \theta_i = \beta_1 \sin \theta_r = \beta_2 \sin \theta_t$

$$\sin \theta_i = \sin \theta_r \quad \Rightarrow \quad \theta_i = \theta_r \quad \longleftarrow \text{Snell's law of reflection}$$

$$\beta_1 \sin \theta_i = \beta_2 \sin \theta_t \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\sin \theta_i}{\sin \theta_t} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_2 \epsilon_2}{\mu_1 \epsilon_1}} \quad \longleftarrow \text{Snell's law of refraction}$$

# Reflection and Transmission (5)

$$1 + R_{\perp} = T_{\perp} \quad -\cos\theta_i \frac{1}{\eta_1} + \cos\theta_r \frac{R_{\perp}}{\eta_1} = -\cos\theta_t \frac{T_{\perp}}{\eta_2}$$

Solution:

$$R_{\perp} = \frac{\eta_2 \cos\theta_i - \eta_1 \cos\theta_t}{\eta_2 \cos\theta_i + \eta_1 \cos\theta_t}$$

$$T_{\perp} = \frac{2\eta_2 \cos\theta_i}{\eta_2 \cos\theta_i + \eta_1 \cos\theta_t}$$

$$R_{\perp} = \frac{\frac{\eta_2}{\cos\theta_t} - \frac{\eta_1}{\cos\theta_i}}{\frac{\eta_2}{\cos\theta_t} + \frac{\eta_1}{\cos\theta_i}} = \frac{Z_{z2} - Z_{z1}}{Z_{z2} + Z_{z1}}$$

$$T_{\perp} = \frac{2 \frac{\eta_2}{\cos\theta_t}}{\frac{\eta_2}{\cos\theta_t} + \frac{\eta_1}{\cos\theta_i}} = \frac{2Z_{z2}}{Z_{z2} + Z_{z1}}$$

$$Z_z = -\frac{E_y}{H_x} = \frac{\eta}{\cos\theta}$$

These formulas are very similar to those in transmission lines!

# Reflection and Transmission (6)

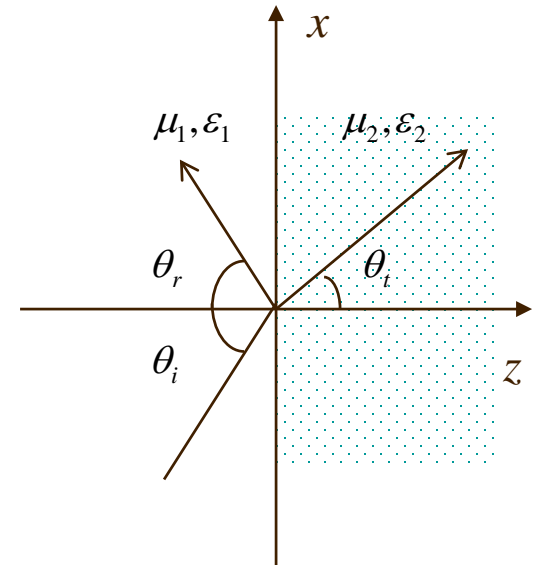
## 2. Oblique incidence

### B. Parallel polarization (H-pol.)

$$\vec{H}^i = \hat{y}H_0 e^{-j\beta_1(x\sin\theta_i + z\cos\theta_i)}$$

$$\vec{H}^r = -\hat{y}R_{\parallel}H_0 e^{-j\beta_1(x\sin\theta_r - z\cos\theta_r)}$$

$$\vec{H}^t = \hat{y}T_{\parallel}H_0 e^{-j\beta_2(x\sin\theta_t + z\cos\theta_t)}$$



Result:

$$\theta_r = \theta_i$$

$$\frac{\sin\theta_i}{\sin\theta_t} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_2\epsilon_2}{\mu_1\epsilon_1}}$$

$$R_{\parallel} = \frac{\eta_2 \cos\theta_t - \eta_1 \cos\theta_i}{\eta_2 \cos\theta_t + \eta_1 \cos\theta_i}$$

$$T_{\parallel} = \frac{2\eta_1 \cos\theta_i}{\eta_2 \cos\theta_t + \eta_1 \cos\theta_i}$$

# Reflection and Transmission (7)

Let  $Z_z = \frac{E_x}{H_y} = \eta \cos \theta$

$$R_{\parallel} = \frac{Z_{z2} - Z_{z1}}{Z_{z2} + Z_{z1}} \quad T_{\parallel} = \frac{2Z_{z1}}{Z_{z2} + Z_{z1}}$$

## Brewster angle (No reflection)

A. For E-polarization

Brewster angle



If  $\eta_2 \cos \theta_{iB} = \eta_1 \cos \theta_t \implies R_{\perp} = 0$  (Total transmission)

$$\sqrt{\frac{\mu_2}{\epsilon_2}} \cos \theta_{iB} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_1}{\epsilon_1}} \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta_t} \quad \frac{\sin \theta_{iB}}{\sin \theta_t} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_2 \epsilon_2}{\mu_1 \epsilon_1}} \quad (\text{Snell's law})_8$$



# Reflection and Transmission (8)

Solution:

$$\sin \theta_{iB} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_2/\epsilon_1 - \mu_2/\mu_1}{\mu_1/\mu_2 - \mu_2/\mu_1}}$$

For  $\mu_1 = \mu_2$ , no total transmission unless  $\epsilon_1 = \epsilon_2$  !

B. For H-polarization

$$R_{\parallel} = \frac{\eta_2 \cos \theta_t - \eta_1 \cos \theta_i}{\eta_2 \cos \theta_t + \eta_1 \cos \theta_i}$$

If  $\eta_2 \cos \theta_t = \eta_1 \cos \theta_{iB}$   $\longrightarrow$   $R_{\parallel} = 0$  (Total transmission)

↑  
Brewster angle

$$\sin \theta_{iB} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_2/\epsilon_1 - \mu_2/\mu_1}{\epsilon_2/\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_1/\epsilon_2}}$$

$$\sin \theta_{iB} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_2}{\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2}} \quad (\text{if } \mu_1 = \mu_2)$$

# Reflection and Transmission (9)

## Critical angle (Total reflection):

Snell's law of refraction

$$\frac{\sin \theta_i}{\sin \theta_t} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_2 \epsilon_2}{\mu_1 \epsilon_1}} \quad \sin \theta_t = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_1 \epsilon_1}{\mu_2 \epsilon_2}} \sin \theta_i$$

$$\cos \theta_t = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta_t} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{\mu_1 \epsilon_1}{\mu_2 \epsilon_2} \sin^2 \theta_i}$$

$$\sin \theta_i = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_2 \epsilon_2}{\mu_1 \epsilon_1}}, \quad \sin \theta_t = 1 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \theta_t = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\theta_c = \sin^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{\mu_2 \epsilon_2}{\mu_1 \epsilon_1}} \quad \theta_c = \sin^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_2}{\epsilon_1}} \quad (\text{if } \mu_2 = \mu_1)$$

Critical angle (It exists only if  $\sqrt{\mu_2 \epsilon_2} < \sqrt{\mu_1 \epsilon_1}$  )

# Reflection and Transmission (10)

When  $\theta_i = \theta_c$ :  $R_{\perp} = 1$ ,  $T_{\perp} = 2$

$$\vec{E}^t = \hat{y}T_{\perp}E_0e^{-j\beta_2(x\sin\theta_t+z\cos\theta_t)} = \hat{y}2E_0e^{-j\beta_2x}$$

$$\vec{H}^t = (-\hat{x}\cos\theta_t + \hat{z}\sin\theta_t)\frac{T_{\perp}E_0}{\eta_2}e^{-j\beta_2(x\sin\theta_t+z\cos\theta_t)} = \hat{z}\frac{2E_0}{\eta_2}e^{-j\beta_2x}$$

$$\bar{S}_{av}^t \Big|_{\theta_i=\theta_c} = \frac{1}{2}\text{Re}(\vec{E}^t \times \vec{H}^{t*}) = \hat{x}\frac{2|E_0|^2}{\eta_2} \quad \curvearrowright$$

$$\left| \bar{S}_{av}^i \right|_{\theta_i=\theta_c} = \frac{|E_0|^2}{2\eta_1}$$

When does the power in medium 2 come from???

$$\left| \bar{S}_{av}^r \right|_{\theta_i=\theta_c} = \frac{|E_0|^2}{2\eta_1} \quad \leftarrow$$

All incident power is reflected back!

# Reflection and Transmission (11)

What happens when  $\theta_i > \theta_c$  ?

$$\vec{E}^t = \hat{y}T_{\perp}E_0e^{-j\beta_2(x\sin\theta_t+z\cos\theta_t)}$$

When  $\theta_i > \theta_c$ ,  $\sin\theta_t > 1 \longrightarrow \sin\theta_t > 1$

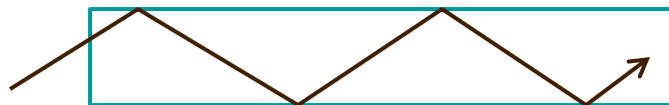
$$\cos\theta_t = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2\theta_t} = \pm j\sqrt{\sin^2\theta_t - 1}$$

$$\vec{E}^t = \hat{y}T_{\perp}E_0e^{-j\beta_2x\sin\theta_t} \cdot e^{-\beta_2\sqrt{\sin^2\theta_t - 1}\cdot z} \quad \longleftarrow \text{Non-uniform plane wave}$$

Attenuation constant:  $\alpha_e = \beta_2\sqrt{\sin^2\theta_t - 1}$

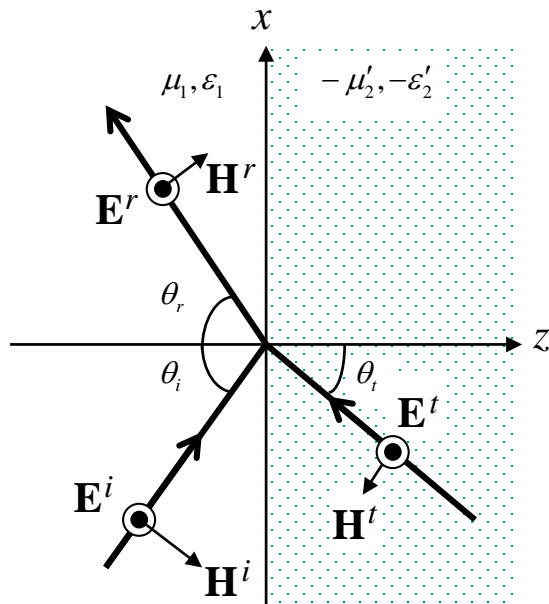
Phase velocity:  $v_p = \frac{\omega}{\beta_2\sin\theta_t} < v_{p2}$

Application: Optical fiber



# Reflection and Transmission (12)

Transmission into a left-handed medium:



$$\beta'_2 = \omega \sqrt{\mu'_2 \epsilon'_2}$$

$$\eta'_2 = \sqrt{\mu'_2 / \epsilon'_2}$$

$$\vec{E}^i = \hat{y} E_0 e^{-j\vec{\beta}^i \cdot \vec{r}} = \hat{y} E_0 e^{-j\beta_1(x \sin \theta_i + z \cos \theta_i)}$$

$$\vec{E}^r = \hat{y} R_{\perp} E_0 e^{-j\vec{\beta}^r \cdot \vec{r}} = \hat{y} R_{\perp} E_0 e^{-j\beta_1(x \sin \theta_r - z \cos \theta_r)}$$

$$\vec{E}^t = \hat{y} T_{\perp} E_0 e^{-j\vec{\beta}^t \cdot \vec{r}} = \hat{y} T_{\perp} E_0 e^{-j\beta_2(x \sin \theta_t - z \cos \theta_t)}$$

$$\vec{H}^i = (-\hat{x} \cos \theta_i + \hat{z} \sin \theta_i) \frac{E_0}{\eta_1} e^{-j\beta_1(x \sin \theta_i + z \cos \theta_i)}$$

$$\vec{H}^r = (\hat{x} \cos \theta_r + \hat{z} \sin \theta_r) \frac{R_{\perp} E_0}{\eta_1} e^{-j\beta_1(x \sin \theta_r - z \cos \theta_r)}$$

$$\vec{H}^t = -(\hat{x} \cos \theta_t + \hat{z} \sin \theta_t) \frac{T_{\perp} E_0}{\eta'_2} e^{-j\beta_2(x \sin \theta_t - z \cos \theta_t)}$$

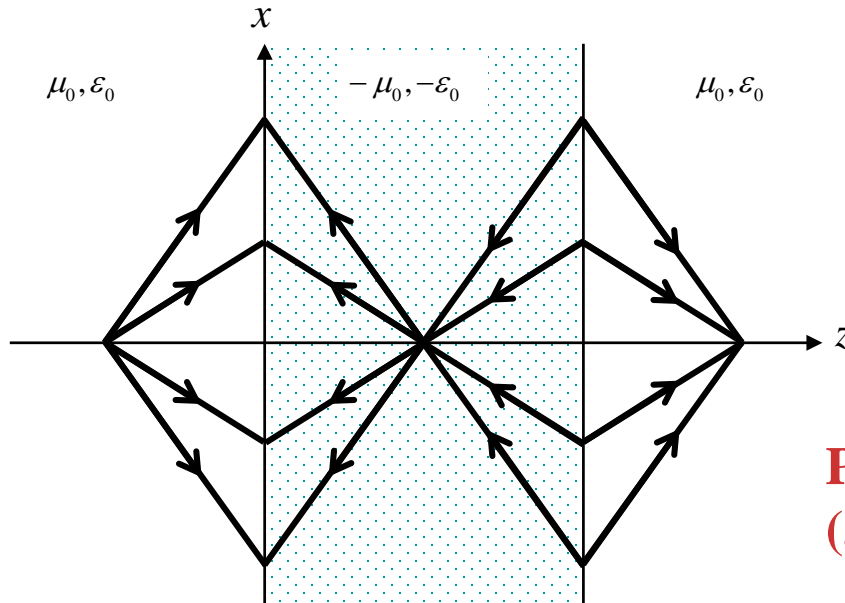
# Reflection and Transmission (13)

Phase matching:

$$\sin \theta_t = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_1 \varepsilon_1}{\mu_2 \varepsilon_2}} \sin \theta_i$$

Poynting vector:

$$\mathbf{S}^t = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{E}^t \times \mathbf{H}^{t*} = (-\hat{x} \sin \theta_t + \hat{z} \cos \theta_t) \frac{|T_{\perp} E_0|^2}{2\eta_2'}$$



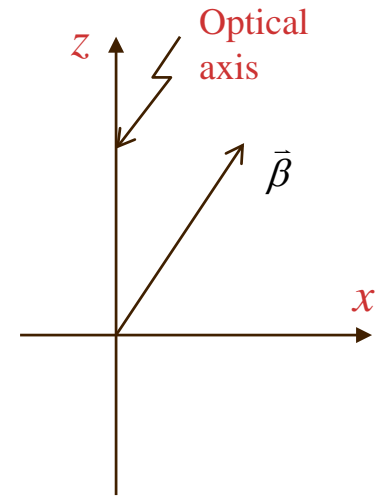
**Pendry's perfect lens  
(a plane-wave picture)**

# Plane Waves in Uniaxial Media (1)

For a uniaxial medium:

$$\vec{\varepsilon} = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \varepsilon_z \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \varepsilon_z > \varepsilon : \text{ positive uniaxial} \\ \varepsilon_z < \varepsilon : \text{ negative uniaxial} \end{array}$$

$$\vec{D} = \vec{\varepsilon} \cdot \vec{E}, \quad \vec{B} = \mu \vec{H}$$



Consider a plane wave:  $\vec{E} = \vec{E}_0 e^{-j\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{r}} \quad \vec{\beta} = \hat{x}\beta_x + \hat{z}\beta_z$

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = -j\vec{\beta} \times \vec{E} = -j\omega\mu\vec{H} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \vec{\beta} \times \vec{E} = \omega\mu\vec{H}$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{H} = -j\vec{\beta} \times \vec{H} = j\omega\vec{\varepsilon} \cdot \vec{E} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \vec{\beta} \times \vec{H} = -\omega\vec{\varepsilon} \cdot \vec{E}$$

$$\vec{\beta} \times (\vec{\beta} \times \vec{E}) = \omega\mu\vec{\beta} \times \vec{H} = -\omega^2 \mu \vec{\varepsilon} \cdot \vec{E}$$

# Plane Waves in Uniaxial Media (2)

$$\vec{\beta} \times \vec{E} = (\hat{x}\beta_x + \hat{z}\beta_z) \times (\hat{x}E_x + \hat{y}E_y + \hat{z}E_z) = \hat{z}\beta_x E_y - \hat{y}\beta_x E_z + \hat{y}\beta_z E_x - \hat{x}\beta_z E_y$$

$$\vec{\beta} \times (\vec{\beta} \times \vec{E}) = -\hat{x}\beta_z (\beta_z E_x - \beta_x E_z) - \hat{y}(\beta_x^2 E_y + \beta_z^2 E_z) + \hat{z}\beta_x (\beta_z E_x - \beta_x E_z)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -\beta_z^2 & 0 & \beta_x \beta_z \\ 0 & -\beta_x^2 - \beta_z^2 & 0 \\ \beta_x \beta_z & 0 & -\beta_x^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \\ E_z \end{bmatrix} \quad \rightarrow$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\beta_z^2 & 0 & \beta_x \beta_z \\ 0 & -\beta_x^2 - \beta_z^2 & 0 \\ \beta_x \beta_z & 0 & -\beta_x^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \\ E_z \end{bmatrix} = -\omega^2 \mu \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \epsilon & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \epsilon_z \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \\ E_z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \beta_z^2 - \omega^2 \mu \epsilon & 0 & -\beta_x \beta_z \\ 0 & \beta_x^2 + \beta_z^2 - \omega^2 \mu \epsilon & 0 \\ -\beta_x \beta_z & 0 & \beta_x^2 - \omega^2 \mu \epsilon_z \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \\ E_z \end{bmatrix} = 0$$



# Plane Waves in Uniaxial Media (3)

For non-trivial solutions:

$$(\beta_x^2 + \beta_z^2 - \omega^2 \mu \varepsilon) [(\beta_x^2 - \omega^2 \mu \varepsilon_z) (\beta_z^2 - \omega^2 \mu \varepsilon) - \beta_x^2 \beta_z^2] = 0$$

Two possible solutions:

1.  $\beta_x^2 + \beta_z^2 - \omega^2 \mu \varepsilon = 0$   $E_x = E_z = 0$

$$\vec{E} = \hat{y} E_0 e^{-j\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{r}}$$

$$\vec{H} = \frac{1}{\omega \mu} \vec{\beta} \times \vec{E} = \frac{1}{\omega \mu} (-\hat{x} \beta_z + \hat{z} \beta_x) E_0 e^{-j\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{r}}$$

$$\vec{B} = \mu \vec{H} = \frac{1}{\omega} (-\hat{x} \beta_z + \hat{z} \beta_x) E_0 e^{-j\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{r}}$$

$$\vec{D} = \vec{\varepsilon} \cdot \vec{E} = \hat{y} \varepsilon E_0 e^{-j\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{r}}$$

This wave behaves the same as those in an isotropic medium with a permittivity  $\varepsilon$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Ordinary wave<sup>17</sup>

## Plane Waves in Uniaxial Media (4)

$$2. (\beta_z^2 - \omega^2 \mu \epsilon) (\beta_x^2 - \omega^2 \mu \epsilon_z) - \beta_x^2 \beta_z^2 = 0$$

$$\beta_z^2 \omega^2 \mu \epsilon + \beta_x^2 \omega^2 \mu \epsilon = \omega^4 \mu^2 \epsilon \epsilon_z$$

$$\frac{\beta_x^2}{\omega^2 \mu \epsilon_z} + \frac{\beta_z^2}{\omega^2 \mu \epsilon} = 1$$

Dispersion relation

$$E_y = 0 \quad (\beta_z^2 - \omega^2 \mu \epsilon) E_x - \beta_x \beta_z E_z = 0$$

$$\frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon_z} \beta_x^2 E_x + \beta_x \beta_z E_z = 0 \Rightarrow \epsilon \beta_x E_x + \epsilon_z \beta_z E_z = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{D} = 0$$

$$\vec{E} = (\hat{x} E_x + \hat{z} E_z) = \left( \hat{x} - \hat{z} \frac{\beta_x \epsilon}{\beta_z \epsilon_z} \right) E_{x0} e^{-j\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{r}}$$

$$\vec{H} = \frac{1}{\omega \mu} \vec{\beta} \times \vec{E} = \hat{y} \frac{\omega \epsilon}{\beta_z} E_{x0} e^{-j\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{r}} \quad \vec{D} = \vec{\epsilon} \cdot \vec{E} = \left( \hat{x} - \hat{z} \frac{\beta_x}{\beta_z} \right) \epsilon E_{x0} e^{-j\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{r}}$$

$$\vec{B} = \mu \vec{H} = \hat{y} \frac{\omega \mu \epsilon}{\beta_z} E_{x0} e^{-j\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{r}}$$

# Plane Waves in Uniaxial Media (5)

**Observation:**  $\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{D} = 0$ ,  $\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$ ,  $\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{H} = 0$ ,  $\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{E} \neq 0$

Thus,  $\vec{\beta}$  is not perpendicular to  $\vec{E}$ . As a result, the Poynting vector  $\vec{E} \times \vec{H}$  is not in the direction of  $\vec{\beta}$ .  $\Rightarrow$  Extraordinary wave

## Special Cases:

1. If the wave propagates perpendicular to the optical axis :

$$\vec{\beta} = \hat{x}\beta_x, \quad \beta_y = \beta_z = 0$$

For ordinary waves,  $\beta_x = \omega\sqrt{\mu\varepsilon} = k_o$

$$\vec{E} = \hat{y}E_0e^{-j\vec{\beta}\cdot\vec{r}} = \hat{y}E_0e^{-j\beta_x x} = \hat{y}E_0e^{-jk_o x}$$

For extraordinary waves,  $\beta_x = \omega\sqrt{\mu\varepsilon_z} = k_e$

$$\vec{E} = \hat{z}E_0e^{-j\vec{\beta}\cdot\vec{r}} = \hat{z}E_0e^{-j\beta_x x} = \hat{z}E_0e^{-jk_e x}$$

# Plane Waves in Uniaxial Media (6)

Phase velocity:

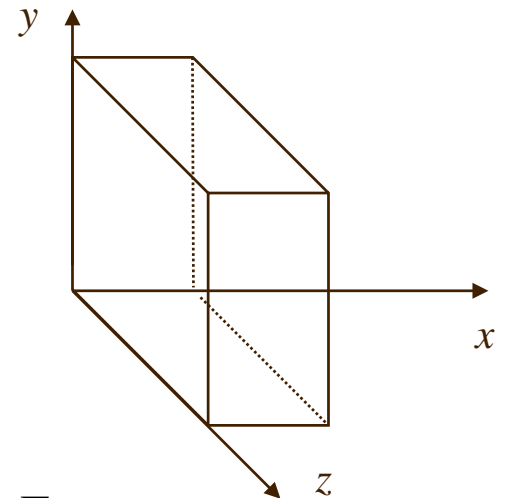
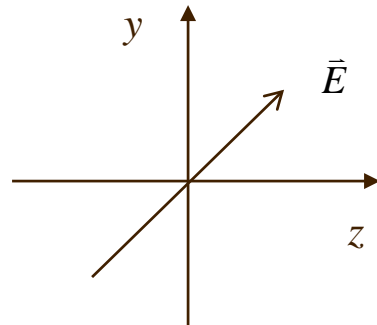
$$v_{po} = \frac{\omega}{k_o} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}}$$

$$v_{pe} = \frac{\omega}{k_e} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\epsilon_e}}$$

} Birefringence

At the front: (Linearly polarized)

$$\vec{E} = \left( \hat{y} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \hat{z} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) E_0 e^{-j\beta_x x}$$



After passing through the slab:

$$\vec{E} = \hat{y} \frac{E_0}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-jk_o d} + \hat{z} \frac{E_0}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-jk_e d} = \left( \hat{y} + \hat{z} e^{-j(k_e - k_o)d} \right) \frac{E_0}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-jk_o d}$$

# Plane Waves in Uniaxial Media (7)

$$\text{If } (k_e - k_o)d = \pm \frac{\pi}{2}, \pm \frac{3\pi}{2}, \dots$$

$$\vec{E} = (\hat{y} \pm j\hat{z}) \frac{E_0}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-jk_o d} \quad (\text{circularly polarized})$$

$$\text{If } |(k_e - k_o)d| = \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad d = \frac{\pi}{2|k_e - k_o|}, \quad k_e = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_e}, \quad k_o = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_o},$$

$$|k_e - k_o| \equiv \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_d}, \quad \lambda_d = \frac{\lambda_e \lambda_o}{|\lambda_e - \lambda_o|}, \quad d = \frac{\lambda_d}{4}$$



Quarter-wave plate

# Plane Waves in Uniaxial Media (8)

## 2. Polaroid

$$\vec{\varepsilon} = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \varepsilon_z - j\frac{\sigma_z}{\omega} \end{bmatrix}$$

For ordinary waves ( $\vec{E}$  perpendicular to the optical axis):  $k_o = \omega\sqrt{\mu\varepsilon}$

For extraordinary waves ( $\vec{E}$  parallel to the optical axis):

$$k_e = \omega\sqrt{\mu\left(\varepsilon_z - j\frac{\sigma_z}{\omega}\right)} \sim \sqrt{\frac{\omega\mu\sigma}{2}} - j\sqrt{\frac{\omega\mu\sigma}{2}}$$

Extraordinary waves will be attenuated.

$$\text{Similarly, } \vec{\varepsilon} = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon - j\frac{\sigma_z}{\omega} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon - j\frac{\sigma_z}{\omega} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \varepsilon_z \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} E_z \text{ passes through} \\ E_y \text{ is attenuated} \end{array}$$

# Plane Waves in Gyrotropic Media (1)

For a gyrotropic medium:

$$\vec{\varepsilon} = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon & -j\varepsilon_g & 0 \\ j\varepsilon_g & \varepsilon & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \varepsilon_z \end{bmatrix}$$

Consider a plane wave:  $\vec{E} = \vec{E}_0 e^{-j\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{r}}$       $\vec{\beta} = \hat{x}\beta_x + \hat{z}\beta_z$

We find

$$\vec{\beta} \times (\vec{\beta} \times \vec{E}) = -\omega^2 \mu \vec{\varepsilon} \cdot \vec{E} \quad \longrightarrow$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \beta_z^2 - \omega^2 \mu \varepsilon & j\omega^2 \mu \varepsilon_g & -\beta_x \beta_z \\ -j\omega^2 \mu \varepsilon_g & \beta_x^2 + \beta_z^2 - \omega^2 \mu \varepsilon & 0 \\ -\beta_x \beta_z & 0 & \beta_x^2 - \omega^2 \mu \varepsilon_z \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \\ E_z \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

# Plane Waves in Gyrotropic Media (2)

For non-trivial solutions:

$$(\beta_x^2 + \beta_z^2 - \omega^2 \mu \epsilon)(-\omega^2 \mu \epsilon \beta_x^2 - \omega^2 \mu \epsilon_z \beta_z^2 + \omega^4 \mu^2 \epsilon \epsilon_z) - \omega^4 \mu^2 \epsilon_g^2 (\beta_x^2 - \omega^2 \mu \epsilon_z) = 0$$

Rewrite:  $\vec{\beta} = \hat{x}\beta_x + \hat{z}\beta_z = \hat{x}\beta \sin \theta + \hat{z}\beta \cos \theta$

Define:  $K = \omega\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}$ ,  $K_z = \omega\sqrt{\mu\epsilon_z}$ ,  $K_g = \omega\sqrt{\mu\epsilon_g}$

$$A\beta^4 - B\beta^2 + C = 0$$

$$A = K^2 \sin^2 \theta + K_z^2 \cos^2 \theta$$

$$B = (K^2 - K_g^2) \sin^2 \theta + K^2 K_z^2 (1 + \cos^2 \theta)$$

$$C = (K^4 - K_g^4) K_z^2$$





# Plane Waves in Gyrotropic Media (3)

Two solutions:

$$\beta^2 = \frac{B \pm \sqrt{B^2 - 4AC}}{2A}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \beta^2 \cos^2 \theta - K^2 & jK_g^2 & -\beta^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \\ -jK_g^2 & \beta^2 - K^2 & 0 \\ -\beta^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta & 0 & \beta^2 \sin^2 \theta - K_z^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \\ E_z \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{E_x}{E_y} = \frac{\beta^2 - K^2}{jK_g^2} \qquad \frac{E_x}{E_z} = \frac{\beta^2 \sin^2 \theta - K_z^2}{\beta^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}$$

Special cases:

(1)  $\theta = 0$      $\vec{\beta} = \hat{z}\beta$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \beta^2 - K^2 & jK_g^2 & 0 \\ -jK_g^2 & \beta^2 - K^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -K_z^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \\ E_z \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

# Plane Waves in Gyrotropic Media (4)

$$E_z = 0 \quad (\beta^2 - K^2)^2 - K_g^4 = 0$$

$$(\beta^2 - K^2 + K_g^2)(\beta^2 - K^2 - K_g^2) = 0$$

$$\beta_{\pm}^2 = K^2 \pm K_g^2 = \omega^2 \mu(\epsilon \pm \epsilon_g)$$

$$\frac{E_x}{E_y} = \frac{\beta^2 - K^2}{jK_g^2} = \frac{\pm K_g^2}{jK_g^2} = \mp j$$

$$(a) \quad \frac{E_x}{E_y} = -j \quad \vec{E} = \hat{x}E_x + \hat{y}E_y = (\hat{x} + j\hat{y})E_x$$

$\Rightarrow$  left - hand circularly polarized wave

$$\beta_+ = \omega \sqrt{\mu(\epsilon + \epsilon_g)} \quad v_{p+} = \frac{\omega}{\beta_+} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu(\epsilon + \epsilon_g)}}$$

# Plane Waves in Gyrotropic Media (5)

$$(b) \quad \frac{E_x}{E_y} = j \quad \vec{E} = \hat{x}E_x + \hat{y}E_y = (\hat{x} - j\hat{y})E_x$$

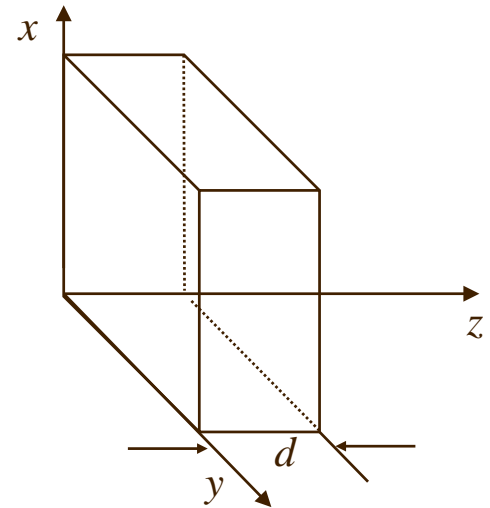
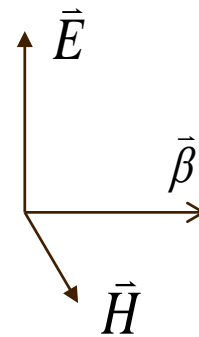
$\Rightarrow$  right - hand circularly polarized wave

$$\beta_- = \omega \sqrt{\mu(\epsilon - \epsilon_g)} \quad v_{p-} = \frac{\omega}{\beta_-} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu(\epsilon - \epsilon_g)}}$$

Consider

$$\vec{E} = \hat{x}E_0 e^{-j\beta z} \quad (\text{Linearly polarized})$$

$$\vec{E} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(\hat{x} - j\hat{y})E_0 e^{-j\beta z}}_{RHCP} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(\hat{x} + j\hat{y})E_0 e^{-j\beta z}}_{LHCP}$$



# Plane Waves in Gyrotropic Media (6)

At  $z = d$  :

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{E} &= \frac{1}{2}(\hat{x} - j\hat{y})E_0e^{-j\beta_-d} + \frac{1}{2}(\hat{x} + j\hat{y})E_0e^{-j\beta_+d} \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\hat{x}E_0(e^{-j\beta_-d} + e^{-j\beta_+d}) - \frac{1}{2}j\hat{y}E_0(e^{-j\beta_-d} - e^{-j\beta_+d}) \\ \frac{E_x}{E_y} &= \frac{\frac{1}{2}E_0(e^{-j\beta_-d} + e^{-j\beta_+d})}{\frac{1}{2}jE_0(e^{-j\beta_-d} - e^{-j\beta_+d})} = j \frac{e^{j(\beta_+ - \beta_-)d} + 1}{e^{j(\beta_+ - \beta_-)d} - 1} \\ &= j \frac{e^{j(\beta_+ - \beta_-)d/2} + e^{-j(\beta_+ - \beta_-)d/2}}{e^{j(\beta_+ - \beta_-)d/2} - e^{-j(\beta_+ - \beta_-)d/2}} = \cot \left[ \frac{(\beta_+ - \beta_-)d}{2} \right]\end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Still a linearly polarized wave with an angle  $\theta_F = \frac{(\beta_+ - \beta_-)d}{2}$

Faraday rotation 

# Plane Waves in Gyrotropic Media (7)

$$(2) \quad \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad \vec{\beta} = \hat{x}\beta$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -K^2 & jK_g^2 & 0 \\ -jK_g^2 & \beta^2 - K^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \beta^2 - K_z^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \\ E_z \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$(a) \quad \beta^2 - K_z^2 = 0, \quad E_z \neq 0, \quad E_x = E_y = 0$$

$$\beta = \omega\sqrt{\mu\epsilon_z}, \quad v_p = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\epsilon_z}}$$

$$(b) \quad K^2(\beta^2 - K^2) + K_g^4 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \beta^2 = K^2 - \frac{K_g^4}{K^2}$$

$$E_z = 0, \quad -K^2 E_x + jK_g^2 E_y = 0 \quad \longleftarrow \text{Elliptically polarized.}$$

# Plane Waves in Chiral Media (1)

**Constitutive relations:**

$$\vec{D} = \epsilon \vec{E} - j\chi \vec{H}, \quad \vec{B} = \mu \vec{H} + j\chi \vec{E}$$

$\chi$  - chirality parameter

**Maxwell's equations:**

$$\vec{\beta} \times \vec{E} = \omega \vec{B} \quad \vec{\beta} \times \vec{H} = -\omega \vec{D}$$

$$\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{D} = 0 \quad \vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vec{\beta} \times \vec{I} - j\omega\chi \vec{I} & -\omega\mu \vec{I} \\ \omega\epsilon \vec{I} & \vec{\beta} \times \vec{I} - j\omega\chi \vec{I} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \vec{E} \\ \vec{H} \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

# Plane Waves in Chiral Media (2)

**Assume**  $\vec{\beta} = \hat{z}\beta$ :  $D_z = B_z = 0$   $E_z = H_z = 0$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\beta & j\omega\chi \\ j\omega\chi & \beta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \omega\mu \\ \omega\mu & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} H_x \\ H_y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\beta & j\omega\chi \\ j\omega\chi & \beta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} H_x \\ H_y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \omega\varepsilon \\ \omega\varepsilon & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2j\omega\chi\beta & \beta^2 + \omega^2\chi^2 - \omega^2\mu\varepsilon \\ \beta^2 + \omega^2\chi^2 - \omega^2\mu\varepsilon & -2j\omega\chi\beta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

**Solutions:**

$$\beta_{\pm} = \omega\sqrt{\mu\varepsilon} \pm \omega\chi \quad \frac{E_x}{E_y} = \pm j$$

# Plane Waves in Chiral Media (3)

**LHCP:**

$$\frac{E_x}{E_y} = +j \qquad v_{p+} = \frac{\omega}{\beta_+} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\varepsilon + \chi}}$$

**RHCP:**

$$\frac{E_x}{E_y} = -j \qquad v_{p-} = \frac{\omega}{\beta_-} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\varepsilon - \chi}}$$

**Observation: Faraday rotation, birefringence, reciprocal gyrotropic medium.**