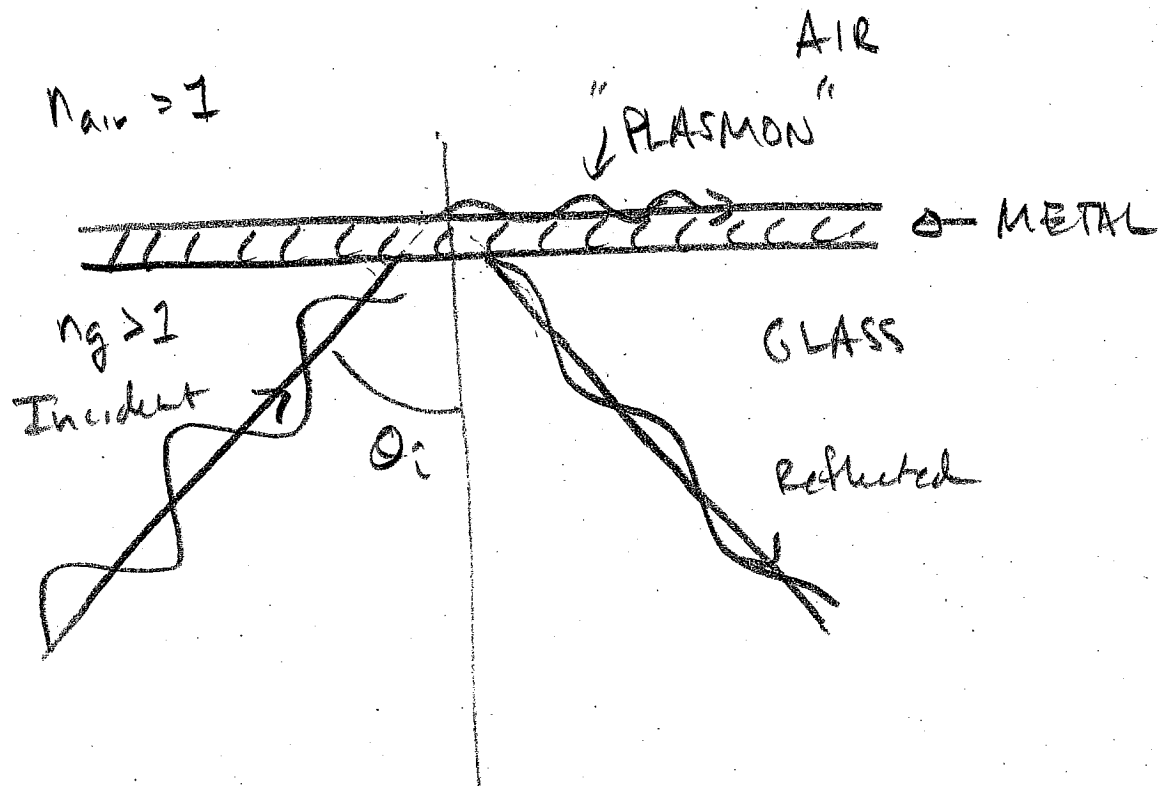


SURFACE PLASMA OSCILLATIONS



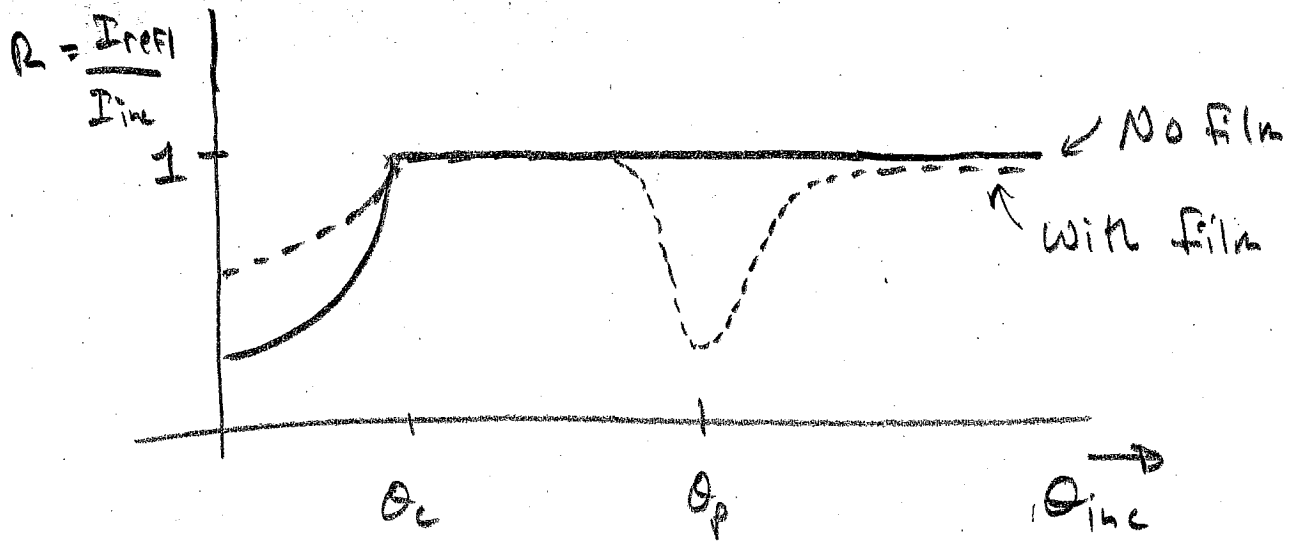
* FACT: At some $\theta_i > \theta_c = \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{n_g}$

We see a dip in reflected intensity for a given color of light

* FACT: Only works for "thin enough" films.

* FACT: Only works for one polarization.

#2



WANT TO SHOW

- WHAT IS FORM OF "PLASMON" WAVE?
- WHAT CONDITION(S) MUST BE SATISFIED TO SEE EFFECT?
- HOW DO PROPERTIES OF METAL GOVERN EFFECT?

#3,

BASIC THEORY — MAXWELL EQUATIONS and PLANE WAVES

IN MKS SYSTEM

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Gauss Laws} \\ \text{Ampere's Law} \\ \text{Faraday's Law} \end{array} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \\ \nabla \cdot \vec{D} = \rho \\ \nabla \times \vec{H} = \vec{J} + \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} \\ \nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \end{array} \right.$$

Constitutive equations — Material properties

$$\vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{H} + \vec{M} = \mu_0 (\vec{H} + \chi_m \vec{H}) = \mu_0 \mu \vec{H}$$

$$\vec{D} = \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P} = \epsilon_0 (1 + \chi_e) \vec{E} = \epsilon_0 \epsilon \vec{E}$$

Assume that susceptibility is proportional to applied field and is a scalar (same direction).

#4

Basic Maxwell Equations require certain continuity at any boundary.

$$B_{\perp}^{(1)} = B_{\perp}^{(2)}$$

$$H_{\parallel}^{(1)} = H_{\parallel}^{(2)}$$

$$D_{\perp}^{(1)} = D_{\perp}^{(2)}$$

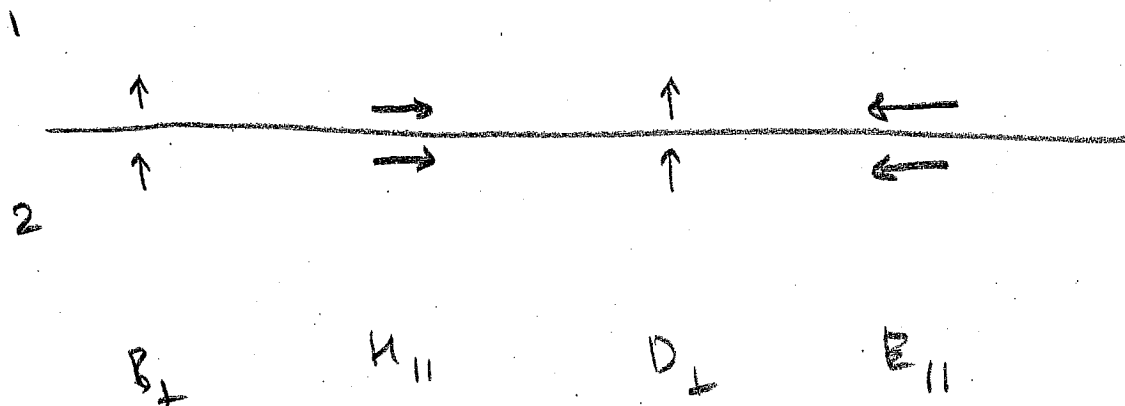
$$E_{\parallel}^{(1)} = E_{\parallel}^{(2)}$$

(SEE ANY

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TEXT)

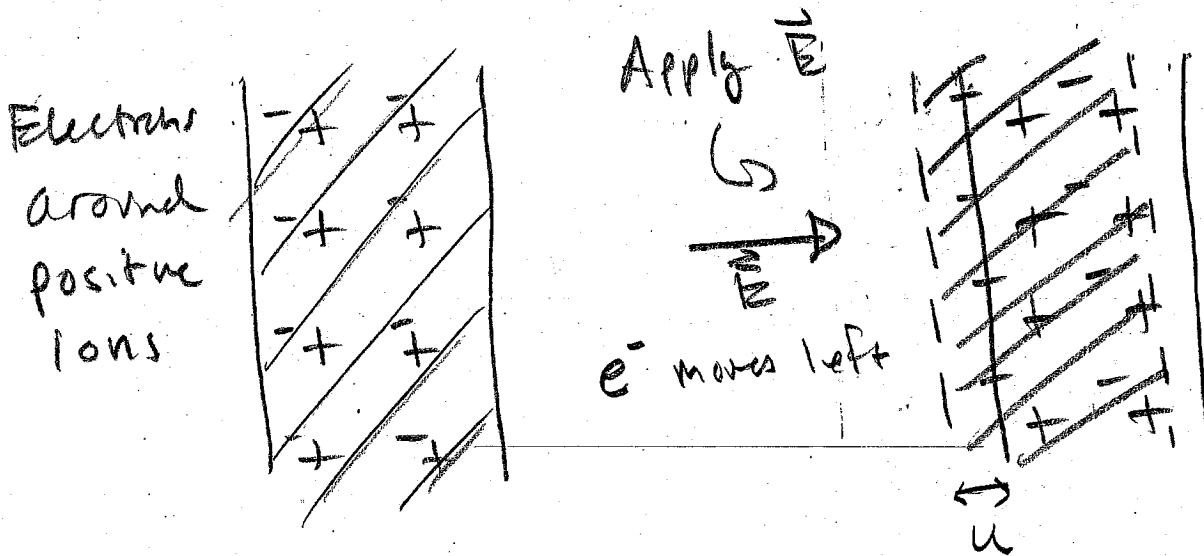
(IN ABSENCE OF SURFACE CURRENTS
OR CHARGES)



PLASMA OSCILLATION

Oscillation of charged gas under influence of oscillating electric field.

Model: Assume free electrons (not in atomic orbitals) moving in a positively charged background.



Because of applied \vec{E} , electrons get displaced, material becomes polarized:

$$\vec{P} = -n e \vec{u}$$

↑
↑
↑
↖ displacement

Polarization
electron density
electron charge

#6

For free electrons, displacement follows Newton's Law:

$$\vec{F} = m \frac{d\vec{u}}{dt}$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$-en\vec{E} = mn \frac{d^2\vec{u}}{dt^2} = \frac{-mn}{ne} \frac{d^2\vec{P}}{dt^2}$$

$$\text{or } \vec{E} = \frac{m}{ne^2} \frac{d^2\vec{P}}{dt^2}$$

$$\text{Let } \vec{E} = \vec{E}_0(\vec{r}) e^{i\omega t} \quad \text{— oscillating } \vec{E}$$

$$\text{Then with } \vec{P} = \vec{P}_0(\vec{r}) e^{i\omega t}, \quad \frac{d^2\vec{P}}{dt^2} = -\omega^2 \vec{P}_0(\vec{r}) e^{i\omega t}$$

$$\text{so } \vec{E}(\vec{r}, \omega) = -\frac{\omega^2 m}{ne^2} \vec{P}(\vec{r}, \omega)$$

$$\text{or } \boxed{\vec{P}(\vec{r}, \omega) = -\frac{ne^2}{m\omega^2} \vec{E}(\vec{r}, \omega)}$$

#7

Now, since $\vec{D} = \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P} = \epsilon_0 \epsilon \vec{E}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{we get } \vec{D}(\vec{r}, \omega) &= \epsilon_0 \vec{E}(\vec{r}, \omega) - \frac{ne^2}{m\omega^2} \vec{E}(\vec{r}, \omega) \\ &= \epsilon_0 \vec{E}(\vec{r}, \omega) \left[1 - \frac{ne^2}{m\omega^2 \epsilon_0} \right] \end{aligned}$$

From which we obtain the frequency dependent dielectric permittivity:

$$\epsilon(\omega) = 1 - \frac{ne^2}{m\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{1}{\omega^2}$$

we define $\omega_p^2 = \frac{ne^2}{m\epsilon_0}$

called the plasma frequency

$$\text{so } \boxed{\epsilon(\omega) = 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}}$$

is the free-electron dielectric permittivity.

#8

Note, if $\omega < \omega_p$ $\epsilon(\omega) < 0$

This will be important

Back to Maxwell...

* Maxwell equations "admit"
plane wave solutions.

* Combining Maxwell equations, one
can get wave equations.

(You should know/Learn
how to do this !!!)

* Operating on plane waves gives
handy form of Equations

#9

Example:

$$\text{Let } \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{B}_0 e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)}$$

↑ plane wave

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot \vec{B} &= \nabla \cdot \vec{B}_0 e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \\ &= \left(\hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \cdot (\vec{B}_0 \cdot \hat{i} + \vec{B}_0 \cdot \hat{j} + \vec{B}_0 \cdot \hat{k}) e^{i(k_x x + k_y y + k_z z - \omega t)} \\ &= i (\vec{B}_0 \cdot \vec{k}) e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \\ &= i \vec{k} \cdot \vec{B}_0 e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\text{or } \nabla \cdot \vec{B} = i \vec{k} \cdot \vec{B}}$$

Like with, other Maxwell equations become

$$\begin{array}{ll} \nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0 & \vec{k} \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \\ \nabla \cdot \vec{D} = 0 & \vec{k} \cdot \vec{D} = 0 \\ \nabla \times \vec{H} = \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} & \vec{k} \times \vec{H} = -\omega \vec{D} \\ \nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} & \vec{k} \times \vec{E} = \omega \vec{B} \end{array}$$

Assuming no free charge ($\rho = 0$)
no free current ($\vec{J} = 0$)

#10

So for plane waves, we can combine equations to get

$$\vec{k} \times (\vec{e} \times \vec{H}) = \vec{k} \times (-\omega \vec{D}) = \omega \epsilon_0 \epsilon (\vec{k} \times \vec{E})$$

$$= -\omega \epsilon_0 \epsilon (\omega \vec{B})$$

$$= -\omega^2 \epsilon_0 \epsilon \mu_0 \mu \vec{H}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{k} \times (\vec{k} \times \vec{H}) &= \vec{k}(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{H}) - \vec{H}(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{k}) \\ &= 0 - k^2 \vec{H} \end{aligned}$$

So $\boxed{k^2 \vec{H} = \omega^2 \epsilon_0 \epsilon \mu_0 \mu \vec{H}}$

$$= \epsilon \mu \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \vec{H}$$

Since $c^2 = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0 \mu_0}$

This gives plane wave dispersion relation

$$\boxed{k^2 = \epsilon \mu \frac{\omega^2}{c^2}}$$

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DISPERSION RELATION

Relationship between wavelength (or wave number) and frequency. Recall $f\lambda = v$ from 1st year (or high school).

and $\omega = 2\pi f$

and $k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$ so $f\lambda = \frac{\omega}{k} = v$

or $k = \frac{\omega}{v} \iff k = \sqrt{\epsilon\mu} \frac{\omega}{c}$
compare

Phase speed in medium is $v = \frac{c}{\sqrt{\epsilon\mu}}$

For non magnetic materials (e.g. glass) $\mu = 1$

so $v = \frac{c}{\sqrt{\epsilon}} \equiv \frac{c}{N}$

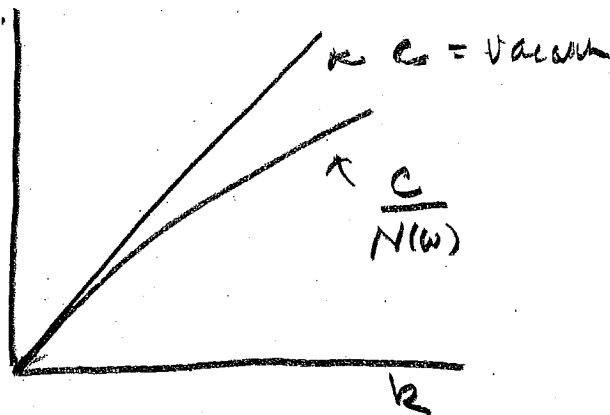
$N =$ refractive index, and

$$\boxed{\epsilon \equiv N^2}$$

If ϵ (or N) depends on ω , material

"disperses" light ω

$N(\omega)$ typically bigger
for blue than red.



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Dispersion relation for free electron plasma:

$$k^2 = \epsilon(\omega) \mu \frac{\omega^2}{c^2}$$

$$\text{or } (ck)^2 = \mu \epsilon(\omega) \omega^2$$

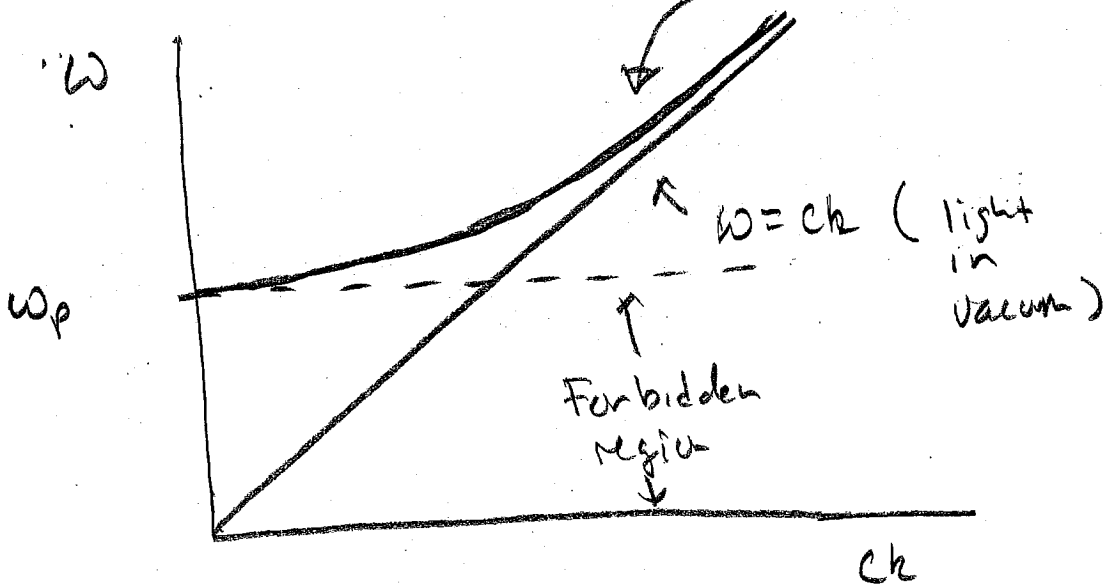
$$= \mu \left(1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}\right) \omega^2$$

$$= \mu (\omega^2 - \omega_p^2)$$

Some math

$$\omega = \left(\frac{(ck)^2}{\mu} + \omega_p^2\right)^{1/2}$$

Let $\mu=1$ (non magnetic plasma)



#13

For $\omega < \omega_p$, there is no wave propagation through plasma - when $\epsilon(\omega) < 0$, there can be no propagation.

$$k^2 = \epsilon \mu \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} < 0 \text{ if } \epsilon < 0$$

k is thus imaginary, $\vec{E}(\vec{r}) = i\alpha(\vec{r})$

$$\vec{E}_0 e^{i(\vec{k}\cdot\vec{r})} e^{i\omega t} \rightarrow \underbrace{e^{-\alpha(\vec{r})}}_{\text{exponential damping}} \vec{E} e^{i\omega t}$$

SURFACE PLASMA OSCILLATIONS

Instead of wholly real or wholly imaginary

\vec{k} can be complex at a surface

Real in one direction

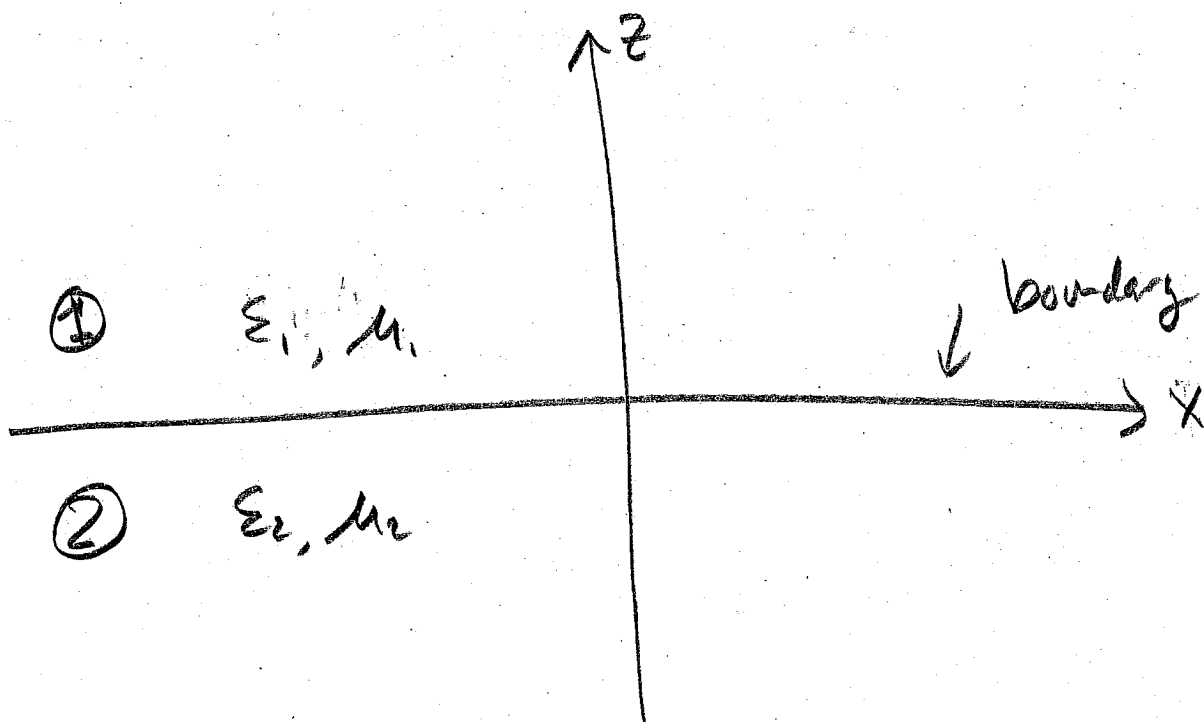
Imaginary in another direction.

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Waves at surfaces can be "evanescent"

They do not radiate, and \vec{E}, \vec{B} are not transverse to each other.

How does this work?



Let plane wave at boundary have k_x, ω be real (propagation along x direction)

Since $k_x^2 + k_z^2 = \epsilon \mu \frac{\omega^2}{c^2}$

$$k_z^2 = \epsilon \mu \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} - k_x^2 \} \text{ real, but possibly } < 0$$

#15

So

AND

Boundary conditions:

$$E_{1\parallel} = E_{2\parallel}, \quad D_{1\perp} = D_{2\perp} \Rightarrow \epsilon_1 E_{1\perp} = \epsilon_2 E_{2\perp}$$

$$H_{1\parallel} = H_{2\parallel}, \quad B_{1\perp} = B_{2\perp} \Rightarrow \mu_1 H_{1\perp} = \mu_2 H_{2\perp}$$

What are possible plane waves at interface?

2 possibilities TE (transverse Electric)

TM (transverse magnetic)

TE means $\vec{E} \perp \vec{k}$

TM means $\vec{B} \perp \vec{k}$

#17

From boundary conditions, for TM wave

$$B_{\perp 1} = B_{\perp 2} = 0 \quad (\text{no perp. component at boundary})$$

$$H_{1||} = H_{2||} \Rightarrow \frac{B_{01}}{\mu_1} = \frac{B_{02}}{\mu_2}$$

Also

$$E_{1||} = E_{2||} \Rightarrow \frac{c^2 k_{z1}}{\mu_1 \epsilon_1 \omega} B_{01} = \frac{c^2 k_{z2}}{\mu_2 \epsilon_2 \omega} B_{02}$$

Combining, and eliminating constant

Factors

$$\frac{k_{z1}}{\epsilon_1} = \frac{k_{z2}}{\epsilon_2}$$

$$\text{Since } k_z = \pm \left(\epsilon \mu \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} - k_x^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\pm \epsilon_2 \left(\epsilon_1 \mu_1 \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} - k_x^2 \right)^{1/2} = \pm \epsilon_1 \left(\epsilon_2 \mu_2 \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} - k_x^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

or

$$\epsilon_2^2 \left(\epsilon_1 \mu_1 \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} - k_x^2 \right) = \epsilon_1^2 \left(\epsilon_2 \mu_2 \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} - k_x^2 \right)$$

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Solve for $\omega(k)$ to get dispersion relation for surface wave

$$\epsilon_2^2 \left(\epsilon_1 \mu_1 \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} - k_x^2 \right) = \epsilon_1^2 \left(\epsilon_2 \mu_2 \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} - k_x^2 \right)$$

$$\epsilon_2^2 \epsilon_1 \mu_1 \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} - \epsilon_2^2 k_x^2 = \epsilon_1^2 \epsilon_2 \mu_2 \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} - \epsilon_1^2 k_x^2$$

$$k_x^2 (\epsilon_1^2 - \epsilon_2^2) = \epsilon_2 \epsilon_1 (\epsilon_1 \mu_2 - \epsilon_2 \mu_1) \frac{\omega^2}{c^2}$$

$$k_x^2 = \frac{\epsilon_2 \epsilon_1 (\epsilon_1 \mu_2 - \epsilon_2 \mu_1)}{\epsilon_2^2 - \epsilon_1^2} \frac{\omega^2}{c^2}$$

This is the most general form for dispersion relation of surface wave

When magnetic permeability μ can be ignored (insulators & many metals)

get simpler

$$k_x^2 = \left(\frac{\epsilon_1 \epsilon_2}{\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2} \right) \frac{\omega^2}{c^2}$$

#19

For metal-air interface, $1 = \text{air}$
 $2 = \text{metal}$, so let $\epsilon_1 = 1$ and
 $\epsilon_2 = \epsilon$ (Drop subscript)

$$\text{Then } k_x = \left(\frac{\epsilon}{1 + \epsilon} \right)^{1/2} \frac{\omega}{c}$$

This is the general form that must
 be obeyed at air-metal interface,
 regardless of ϵ form.

Assume free-electron metal,

$$\text{Then } \epsilon = 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}$$

$$k_x = \left(\frac{1 - \omega_p^2/\omega^2}{1 + (1 - \omega_p^2/\omega^2)} \right)^{1/2} \frac{\omega}{c}$$

$$\text{or } c k_x = \left(\frac{\omega^2 - \omega_p^2}{2\omega^2 - \omega_p^2} \right)^{1/2} \omega$$

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$$(ck_x)^2 (2\omega^2 - \omega_p^2) = \omega^2 (\omega^2 - \omega_p^2)$$

some math

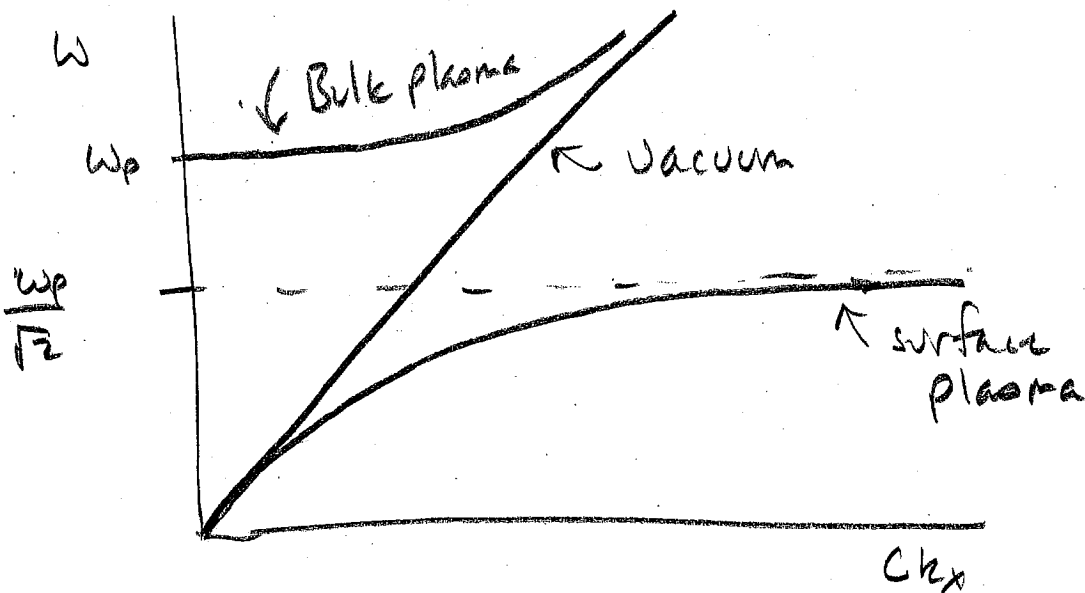
$$\omega^4 - (2(ck_x)^2 + \omega_p^2)\omega^2 + \omega_p^2(ck_x)^2 = 0$$

quadratic in ω^2

$$\omega^2 = \frac{\omega_p^2}{2} + (ck_x)^2 - \sqrt{(ck_x)^4 + \frac{\omega_p^4}{4}}$$

Note, for $ck_x \rightarrow 0$, $\omega^2 \rightarrow 0$

for $(ck_x) \rightarrow \infty$ $\omega^2 \rightarrow \frac{\omega_p^2}{2}$



#21

Look again at k_z relation:

$$k_z = \pm \left(\epsilon \mu \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} - k_x^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

On air side, $\mu=1$ $\epsilon_a=1$, $\epsilon_m=\epsilon$

$$\begin{aligned} k_z &= \pm \left(\frac{\omega^2}{c^2} - \left(\frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon+1} \right) \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \right)^{1/2} \\ &= \pm \frac{\omega}{c} \left(1 - \frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon+1} \right)^{1/2} \\ &= \pm \frac{\omega}{c} \left(\frac{1+\epsilon-\epsilon}{\epsilon+1} \right)^{1/2} = \pm \frac{\omega}{c} \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon+1} \right)^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

On metal side $\mu=1$ $\epsilon_m=\epsilon$

$$\begin{aligned} k_z &= \pm \left(\epsilon \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} - \left(\frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon+1} \right) \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \right)^{1/2} \\ &= \pm \frac{\omega}{c} \left(\epsilon - \frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon+1} \right)^{1/2} \\ &= \pm \frac{\omega}{c} \left(\frac{\epsilon + \epsilon^2 - \epsilon}{\epsilon+1} \right)^{1/2} \\ &= \pm \frac{\omega}{c} \left(\frac{\epsilon^2}{\epsilon+1} \right)^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

#22

Now consider these in list of $\epsilon(\omega) = 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}$

For low frequencies, $\omega < \omega_p$ $\epsilon(\omega) < 0$

In fact we know that for all values of k_x , we must have $\omega < \frac{\omega_p}{\sqrt{2}}$

This means $\sqrt{2} < \frac{\omega_p}{\omega}$, $2 < \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}$

and $\epsilon(\omega) < 1 - 2 = -1$

So $\frac{\epsilon}{1+\epsilon} > 0$, and k_x is real
(by construction)

BUT $\frac{\epsilon^2}{1+\epsilon} < 0$ and $\frac{1}{1+\epsilon} < 0$

So k_z is imaginary

#23

Look back at wave-plane solutions at boundary (TM)

$$\vec{B}(\vec{r}, t) = B_0 \hat{j} e^{i(k_x x + k_z z - \omega t)}$$

Write $k_z = \pm \left(\epsilon \mu \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} - k_x^2 \right)^{1/2} = \pm i \left(k_x^2 - \epsilon \mu \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \right)^{1/2}$

Then $\vec{B}(\vec{r}, t) = B_0 \hat{j} e^{i(k_x x - \omega t)} e^{\mp \left(k_x^2 - \epsilon \mu \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \right)^{1/2} z}$

↑ real

Likewise

$$\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = \left[\frac{c^2 k_z}{\mu \epsilon \omega} B_0 \hat{i} - \frac{c^2 k_x}{\mu \epsilon \omega} B_0 \hat{k} \right] e^{i(k_x x + k_z z - \omega t)}$$

Make \vec{E} look like write-up in Lab.

want $\vec{E} = E_0 \hat{i} \mp \pm i k_x \left(k_x^2 - \epsilon \mu \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \right)^{-1/2} E_0 \hat{k}$

so let $E_0 = \frac{c^2 k_z}{\mu \epsilon \omega} B_0$

Then $B_0 = \frac{\mu \epsilon \omega}{c^2 k_z} E_0$

#24

And

$$\frac{c^2 k_x}{\mu \epsilon \omega} B_0 = \left(\frac{c^2 k_x}{\mu \epsilon \omega} \right) \frac{\mu \epsilon \omega}{c^2 k_z} E_0 = \frac{k_x}{k_z} E_0$$

So Now

$$\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = \left(E_0 \hat{x} + \pm i k_x (k_x^2 - \epsilon \mu \frac{\omega^2}{c^2})^{-1/2} E_0 \hat{z} \right) e^{\pm (k_x^2 - \epsilon \mu \frac{\omega^2}{c^2})^{1/2} z} e^{i(k_x x - \omega t)}$$

$$\text{And } \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t) = \pm i \frac{\epsilon \mu \omega}{c^2} (k_x^2 - \epsilon \mu \frac{\omega^2}{c^2})^{-1/2} E_0 \hat{y} e^{\pm (k_x^2 - \epsilon \mu \frac{\omega^2}{c^2})^{1/2} z} e^{i(k_x x - \omega t)}$$



LAB WRITE-UP EQUATIONS

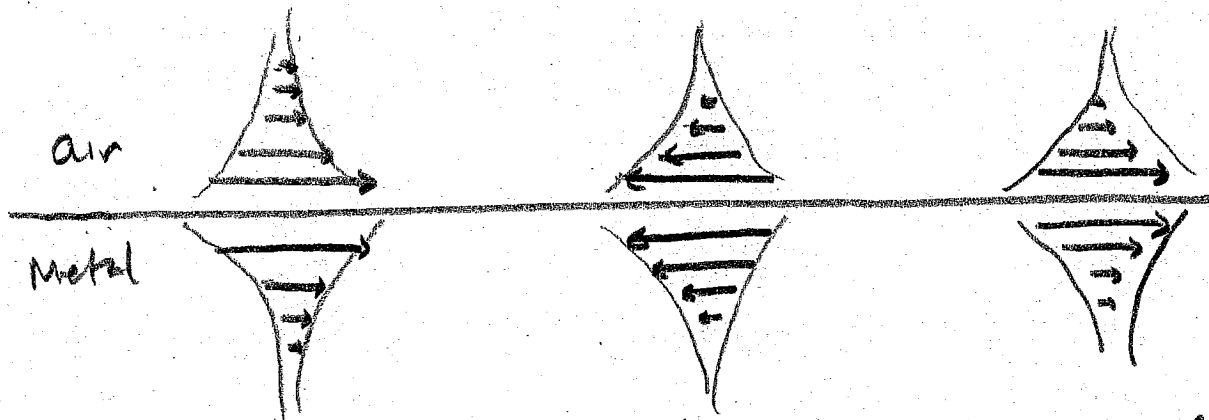
Some points — or what is forest?

I see lots of TREES?!

- MUST choose sign of k_z to make exponentials decay over distance.
- Imaginary numbers in constant parts indicate a phase shift.

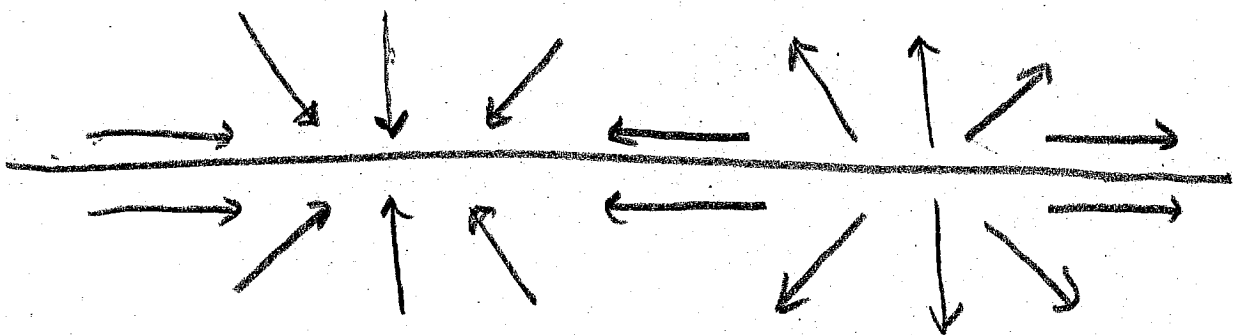
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- In z -direction - away from boundary - field amplitudes die off exponentially



x -component of \vec{E} on either side of boundary

- Along x -direction x, z components of \vec{E} are 90° out of phase, and E_z points in opposite directions across boundary



\vec{E} as function of x at boundary

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Using simplified forms of k_z and letting $\mu = 1$
 we have, above boundary (air) $\epsilon_{\text{air}} = 1$, $\epsilon_{\text{metal}} = \epsilon$

In air

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{E}_a(\vec{r}, t) &= E_0 \hat{x} + i k_x (k_x^2 - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2})^{-1/2} E_0 \hat{y} \\ \vec{B}_a(\vec{r}, t) &= + i \frac{\omega}{c} (k_x^2 - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2})^{-1/2} E_0 \hat{z} \end{aligned} \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} \vec{E}_a \\ \vec{B}_a \end{aligned}} \right\} e^{-(k_x^2 - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2})^{1/2} z} e^{i(k_x x - \omega t)}$$

In metal

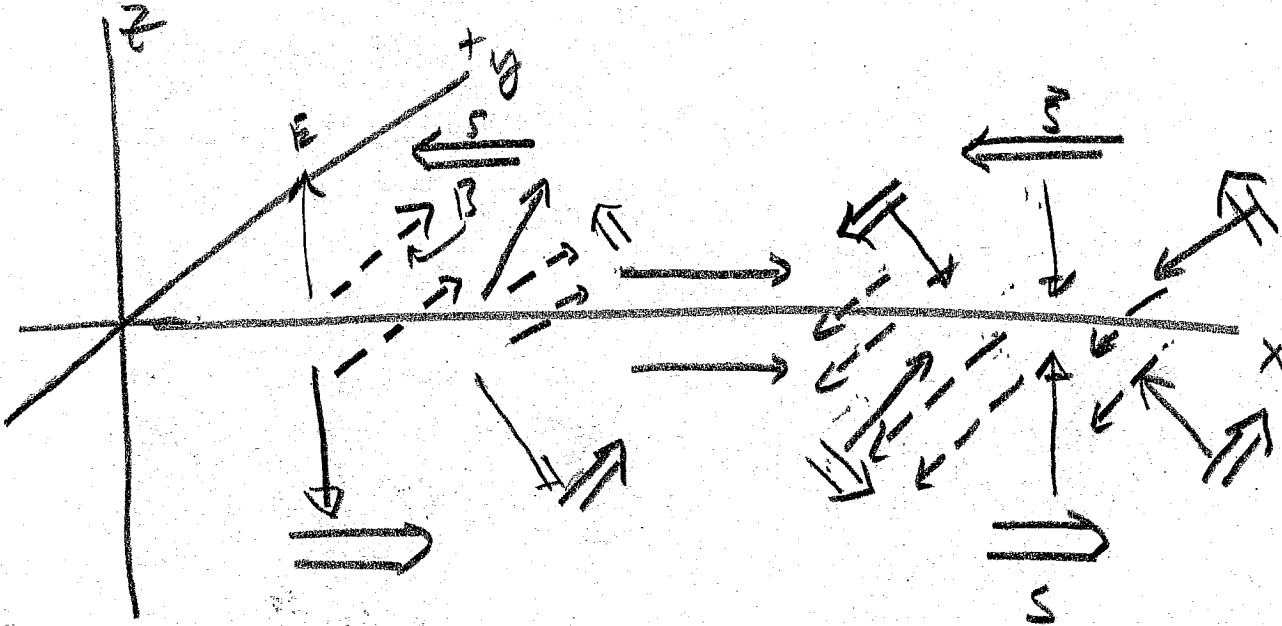
$$\begin{aligned} \vec{E}_m(\vec{r}, t) &= E_0 \hat{x} - i k_x (k_x^2 - \epsilon \frac{\omega^2}{c^2})^{-1/2} E_0 \hat{y} \\ \vec{B}_m(\vec{r}, t) &= - i \frac{\epsilon \omega}{c^2} (k_x^2 - \epsilon \frac{\omega^2}{c^2})^{-1/2} E_0 \hat{z} \end{aligned} \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} \vec{E}_m \\ \vec{B}_m \end{aligned}} \right\} e^{+(k_x^2 - \epsilon \frac{\omega^2}{c^2})^{1/2} z} e^{i(k_x x - \omega t)}$$

Note \vec{B} is continuous across boundary
 by virtue of dispersion relation required
 by $(k_x^2 - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2})^{-1/2} = -\epsilon (k_x^2 - \epsilon \frac{\omega^2}{c^2})^{-1/2} \Rightarrow k_x^2 = \left(\frac{\epsilon}{1+\epsilon}\right) \frac{\omega^2}{c^2}$

\vec{B} is in phase with E_z in air and
opposite phase with E_z in metal.

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So at interface



\vec{B} - dotted \dashrightarrow

\vec{E} - solid \longrightarrow

\vec{S} - double \Longrightarrow

$$\vec{S} = \vec{E} \times \vec{H} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \vec{E} \times \vec{B} \text{ gives energy flow}$$