

Propagation of e.m. waves in a linear Media:-

If the e.m. waves travels in a linear & Homogeneous medium (i.e. μ and ϵ do not vary from point to point) the Maxwell's eqn for this case can be written as,

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{(i)} \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = 0 \\ \text{(ii)} \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \\ \text{(iii)} \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \\ \text{(iv)} \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu \epsilon \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} \end{array} \right\} \text{--- (1)}$$

e.m. waves propagates ~~through~~ ⁱⁿ this medium, at a speed,

$$v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu \epsilon}} = \frac{c}{n}$$

where,

$n = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon \mu}{\epsilon_0 \mu_0}}$ is the "refractive index."
(ϵ_0, μ_0 in free space)

Let us, discuss the propagation waves from one medium to another by applying boundary conditions

boundary Condⁿ are,

Tangential Comp. (normal comp.) $D_1^\perp - D_2^\perp = \sigma_f$ (e.f.) (discontinuous)

$B_1^\perp = B_2^\perp = 0$ (continuous)

parallel Comp. $E_1^\parallel - E_2^\parallel = 0$ (continuous)

$H_1^\parallel - H_2^\parallel = k_f \times \hat{n}$ (m.f.) (discontinuous)

σ - charge density

k - current densities

(i) assuming all are continuous, then $\epsilon_1 E_1^\perp = \epsilon_2 E_2^\perp$

(ii) $B_1^\perp = B_2^\perp$

(iii) $E_1^\parallel = E_2^\parallel$

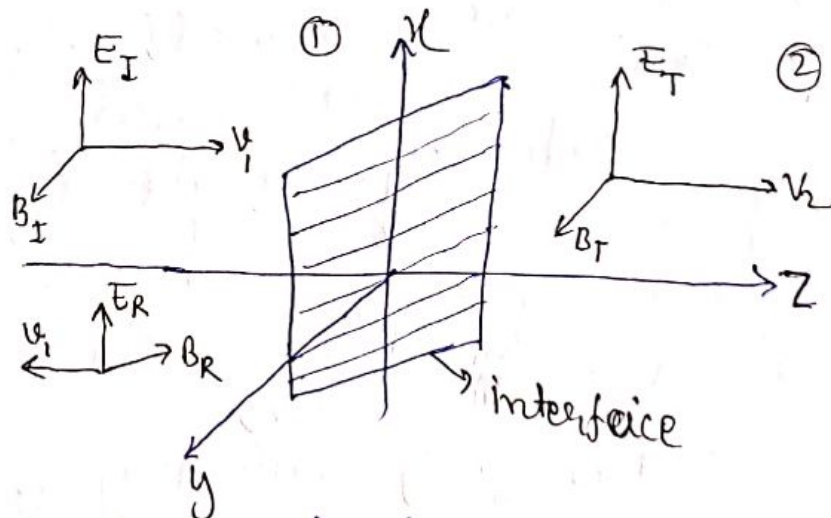
(iv) $\frac{1}{\mu_1} B_1^\parallel = \frac{1}{\mu_2} B_2^\parallel$ ————— (2)

we use them, to deduce the laws governing reflection & refraction of e.m. waves. Here we will consider two cases:-

Case I:-

Normal Incidence

Reflection and transmission at normal incidence



Let, a plane wave of frequency ω be travelling in z -direction and incident at the boundary of the medium from the

56) Lett. A part of the wave is reflected back to medium (1), another part is transmitted to the medium (2).

The electric & magnetic fields of incident wave are given by,

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \vec{E}_I(\vec{r}, t) &= \vec{E}_{0I} e^{i(k_1 z - \omega t)} \hat{x} \\ \vec{B}_I(\vec{r}, t) &= \frac{1}{v_1} \vec{E}_{0I} e^{i(k_1 z - \omega t)} \hat{y} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{--- (3)}$$

The electric & m.f. of Reflected wave are given by,

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \vec{E}_R(\vec{r}, t) &= \vec{E}_{0R} e^{i(k_1 z - \omega t)} \hat{x} \\ \vec{B}_R(\vec{r}, t) &= -\frac{1}{v_1} \vec{E}_{0R} e^{i(k_1 z - \omega t)} \hat{y} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{--- (4)}$$

The e.f. & m.f. of transmitted wave are given by,

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \vec{E}_T(\vec{r}, t) &= \vec{E}_{0T} e^{i(k_2 z - \omega t)} \hat{x} \\ \vec{B}_T(\vec{r}, t) &= \frac{1}{v_2} \vec{E}_{0T} e^{i(k_2 z - \omega t)} \hat{y} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{--- (5)}$$

Since, waves are normally incident, $B_z = B_T + B_R$ for this case, the tangential Comp. of e.f. & m.f. are continuous at the interface. only the parallel Comp. of e.f. & m.f. may be observed by applying the boundary conditions of (i) & (iv)

On Applying boundary Condⁿ (iii) -

which is,

$$E_1'' = E_2''$$

then,

$$\boxed{\vec{E}_{0I} + \vec{E}_{0R} = \vec{E}_{0T}} \text{--- (6)}$$

on Applying boundary Condⁿ (iv) -

$$\frac{1}{\mu_1} \left(\frac{1}{v_1} \vec{E}_{OI} - \frac{1}{v_1} \vec{E}_{OR} \right) = \frac{1}{\mu_2} \left(\frac{1}{v_2} \vec{E}_{OT} \right)$$

$$\frac{1}{\mu_1 v_1} (\vec{E}_{OI} - \vec{E}_{OR}) = \frac{1}{\mu_2 v_2} (\vec{E}_{OT})$$

$$\vec{E}_{OI} - \vec{E}_{OR} = \frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2} \vec{E}_{OT}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{E}_{OI} - \vec{E}_{OR} = \beta \vec{E}_{OT}} \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

$$\text{where } \beta = \frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2} = \frac{\mu_1 n_2}{\mu_2 n_1}$$

$$\left(\because \frac{v_1}{v_2} = \frac{n_2}{n_1} \right)$$

Solving (6) & (7), we get

$$\vec{E}_{OR} = \left(\frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta} \right) \vec{E}_{OI}$$

$$\vec{E}_{OT} = \left(\frac{2}{1+\beta} \right) \vec{E}_{OI} \quad \text{--- (8)}$$

If permittivities μ are closed to their vacuum values i.e. $\mu_1 = \mu_2$, then

$$\beta = \frac{v_1}{v_2} \quad 1 - \frac{v_1}{v_2}$$

then eqⁿ (8) becomes,

$$\vec{E}_{OR} = \left(\frac{v_2 - v_1}{v_2 + v_1} \right) \vec{E}_{OI}$$

$$1 + \frac{v_1}{v_2}$$

$$\& \vec{E}_{OT} = \left(\frac{2 v_2}{v_2 + v_1} \right) \vec{E}_{OI} \quad \text{--- (9)}$$

If, $v_2 > v_1$, —

then conclusion that the reflected waves is in phase with the incident waves.

If $v_1 > v_2$ —

The reflected wave is out of phase with the incident wave.

eqn (9) can be expressed in term of refractive index 'n', as —

$$\left. \begin{aligned} E_{OR} &= \left(\frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2} \right) E_{OI} \\ \& E_{OT} &= \left(\frac{2n_1}{n_1 + n_2} \right) E_{OI} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{--- (10)}$$

the intensity (Average power per unit Area) I is given by,

$$I = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon V A_0^2 \quad \text{EV} \frac{A_0^2}{2}$$

therefore, the ratio of reflective intensity to incident intensity becomes,

$$R' = \frac{I_R}{I_I} = \frac{E_{OR}^2}{E_{OI}^2} = \left(\frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2} \right)^2 \text{--- (11)}$$

where 'R' is Reflection Coefficient.

the Ratio of transmittance intensity to incident intensity, is given by:

$$T' = \frac{I_T}{I_I}$$

where 'T' is Transmittance Coefficient.

$$= \frac{\epsilon_2 v_2}{\epsilon_1 v_1} \left(\frac{E_{OT}}{E_{OI}} \right)^2$$

$$T' = \frac{4n_1 n_2}{(n_1 + n_2)^2} \text{--- (12)}$$

R and T measure the fraction of the incident energy

(from eqn (11) to (12).) that is reflected & transmitted as,

$$R + T = 1$$

~~R and T measure the fraction~~ as Conservation of energy. of course, requires