

Opto-Electronics and Photonics

Lecture 6: EM Waves in Conductor

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(Cheng 8-3, 8-6) =

$$\nabla \cdot \bar{D} = \rho$$

$$\nabla \times \bar{E} = -\frac{\partial \bar{B}}{\partial t} \implies -j\omega \bar{B}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \bar{B} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \bar{H} = \bar{J} + \frac{\partial \bar{D}}{\partial t} \implies \bar{J} + j\omega \bar{D}$$

$$\bar{D} = \epsilon \bar{E}$$

$$\bar{B} = \mu \bar{H}$$

For EM wave equation derivation

$$\bar{J} = 0 \text{ assumed}$$

What if E-field generates currents?

$$\bar{J} = \sigma \cdot \bar{E}, \sigma \neq 0$$

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$$\bar{J} = \sigma \cdot \bar{E}, \quad \sigma \neq 0$$

$$\nabla \cdot \bar{D} = \rho$$

$$\nabla \times \bar{H} = \sigma \bar{E} + j\omega \epsilon \bar{E} = j\omega \left(\epsilon - j \frac{\sigma}{\omega} \right) \bar{E}$$

$$\nabla \times \bar{E} = -j\omega \bar{B}$$

$$= j\omega \epsilon_c \bar{E}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \bar{B} = 0$$

→ Complex permittivity $\epsilon_c = \epsilon - j \frac{\sigma}{\omega}$

$$\nabla \times \bar{H} = \bar{J} + j\omega \bar{D}$$

Wave number k?

$$\bar{D} = \epsilon \bar{E}$$

$$k = \omega \sqrt{\mu \epsilon_c} = \omega \sqrt{\mu \epsilon} \left(1 - j \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon \omega} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \beta - j\alpha,$$

$$\bar{B} = \mu \bar{H}$$

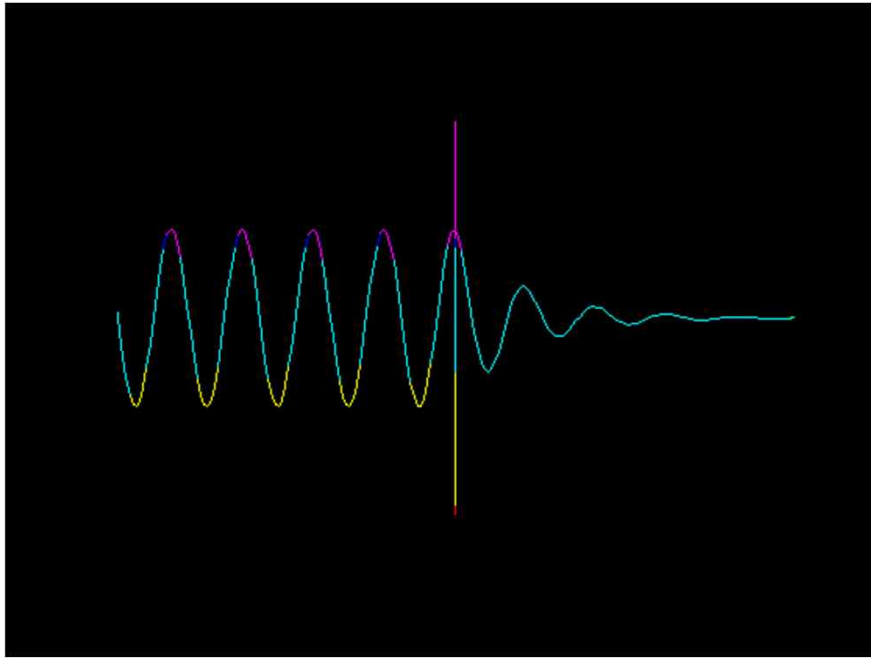
Consider plane wave solution:

$$\bar{E} = \bar{x} E_0 e^{-jkz} = \bar{x} E_0 e^{-j(\beta - j\alpha)z} = \bar{x} E_0 e^{-j\beta z} e^{-\alpha z}$$

Exponential Decay!

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$$\vec{E} = \hat{x}E_0 e^{-j\beta z} e^{-\alpha z}$$



Why decay?

α : attenuation constant

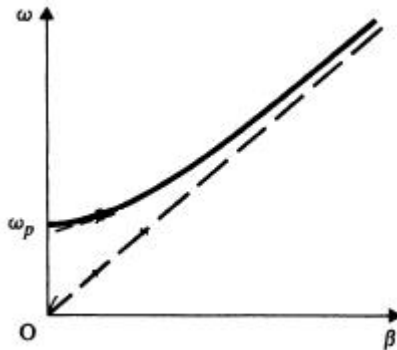
β : propagation constant

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$$k = \omega\sqrt{\mu\epsilon_c} = \omega\sqrt{\mu\epsilon} \left(1 - j\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon\omega}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \beta - j\alpha, \quad \epsilon_c = \epsilon - j\frac{\sigma}{\omega}$$

Wavelength: $\frac{2\pi}{\beta}$

Phase velocity: $\frac{\omega}{\beta}$ (β is ω -dependent in certain materials) $\implies \frac{\omega}{\beta(\omega)}$

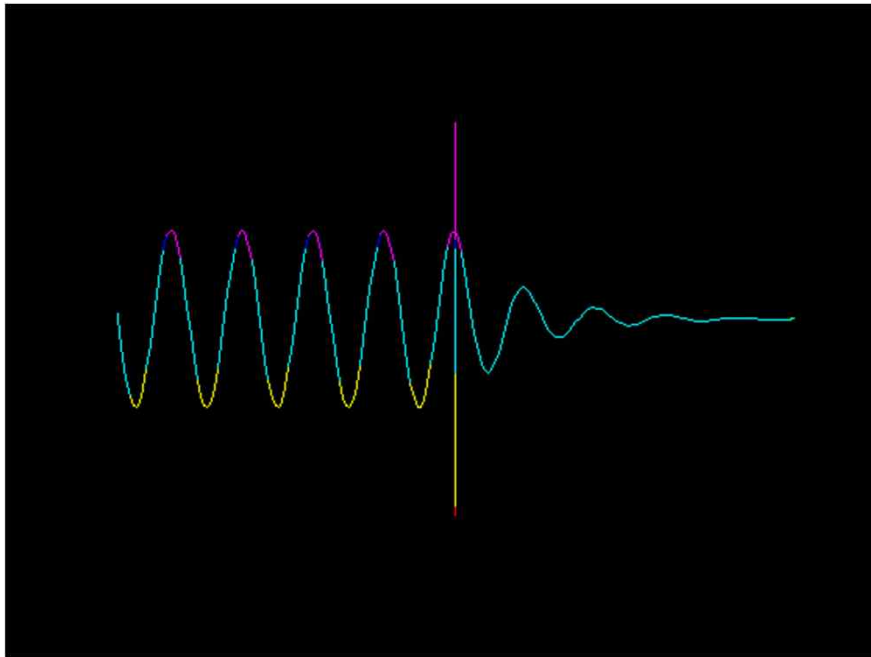


ω vs β for ionized gas
(Fig. 8-7 in Cheng)

For energy propagation: $\frac{\partial\omega}{\partial\beta}$ (Group velocity)

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$$\vec{E} = \hat{x}E_0 e^{-j\beta z} e^{-\alpha z}$$



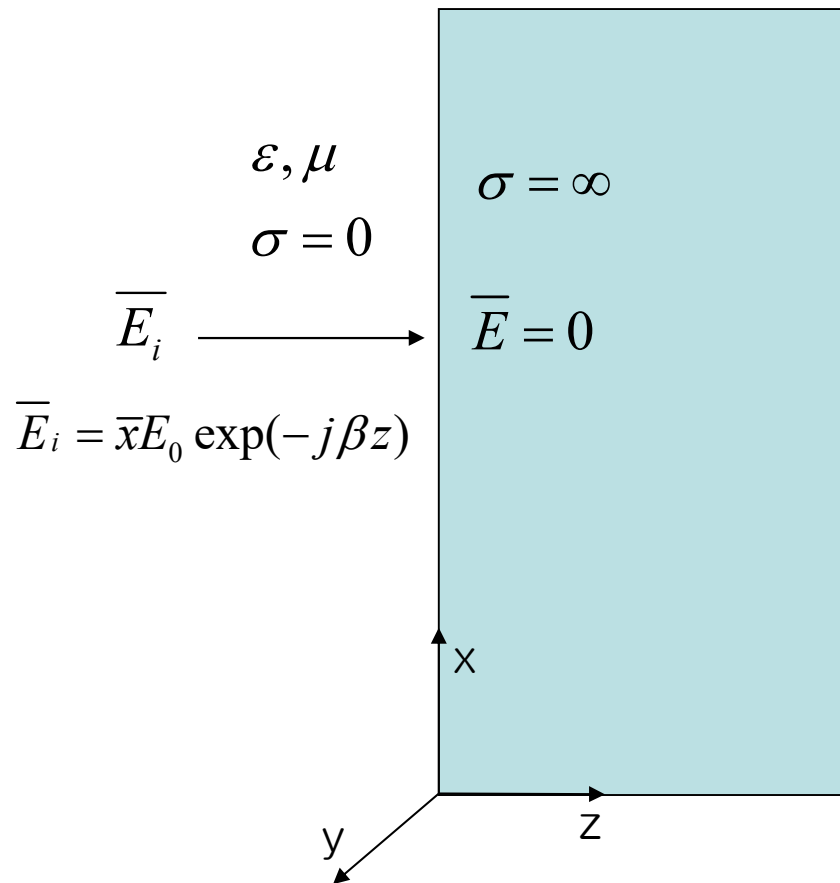
How much does the wave penetrate into the medium?

$$\delta = \frac{1}{\alpha} \quad \text{Penetration depth, Or Skin depth}$$

What if σ is infinitely large?

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Consider EM waves normally incident at a perfect conductor at $z=0$



No penetration (skin depth = 0)

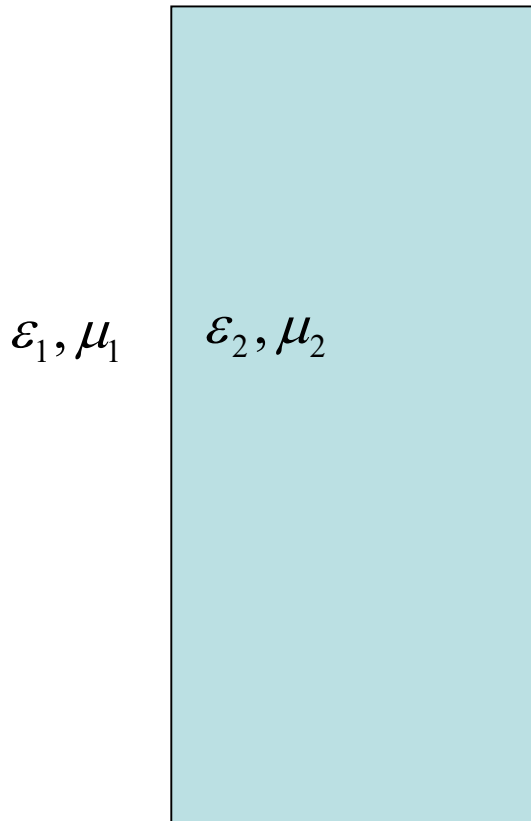
→ Reflection

Reflected E-field?

$$\bar{E}_r = ?$$

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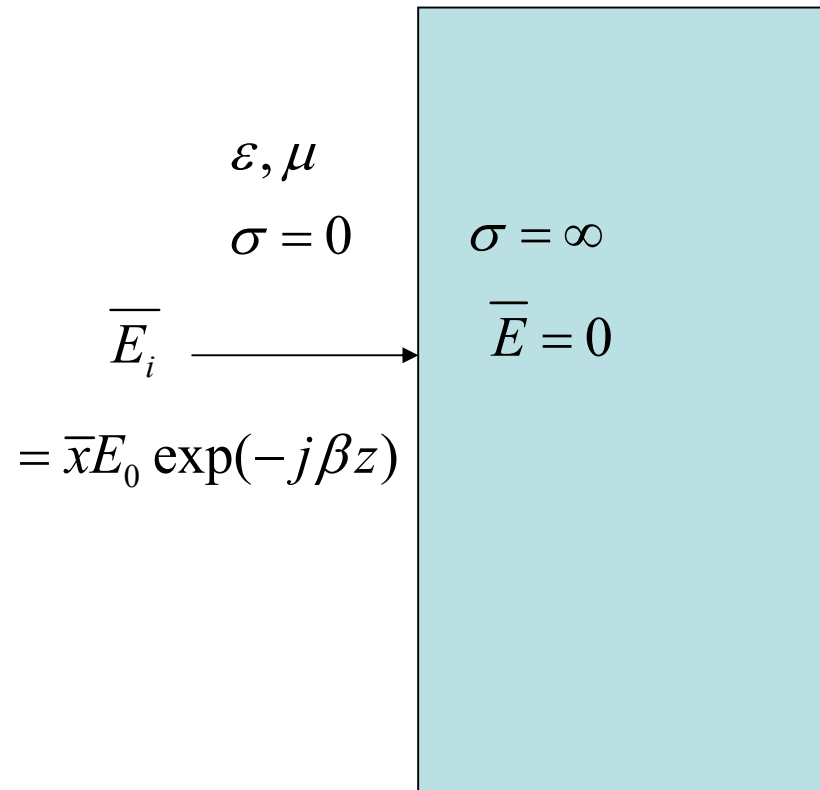
- ✓ Boundary Conditions: Constraints on E,H fields at a boundary
 - ➔ Each of Maxwell's Equations provides one constraint on E or H



$$\nabla \times \bar{E} = -\frac{\partial \bar{B}}{\partial t} \quad E_{1,t} = E_{2,t}$$

- ➔ Same tangential E-fields across the boundary

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$$\vec{E}_r = ? \quad E_{1,t} = E_{2,t}$$

$$\text{At } z = 0, \quad E_{2,t} = 0$$

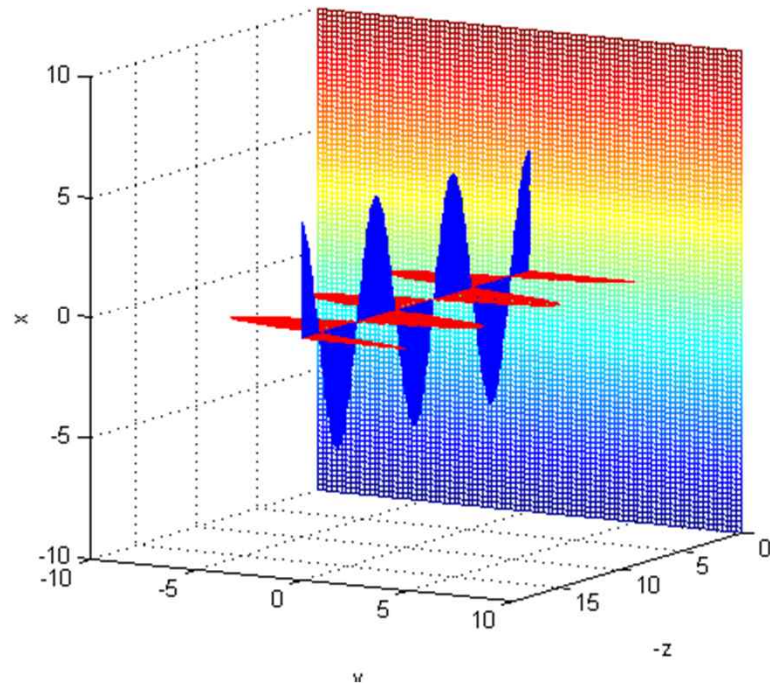
$$\vec{E}_i(z = 0) + \vec{E}_r(z = 0) = 0$$

$$\therefore \vec{E}_r = -\bar{x}E_0 \exp(j\beta z)$$

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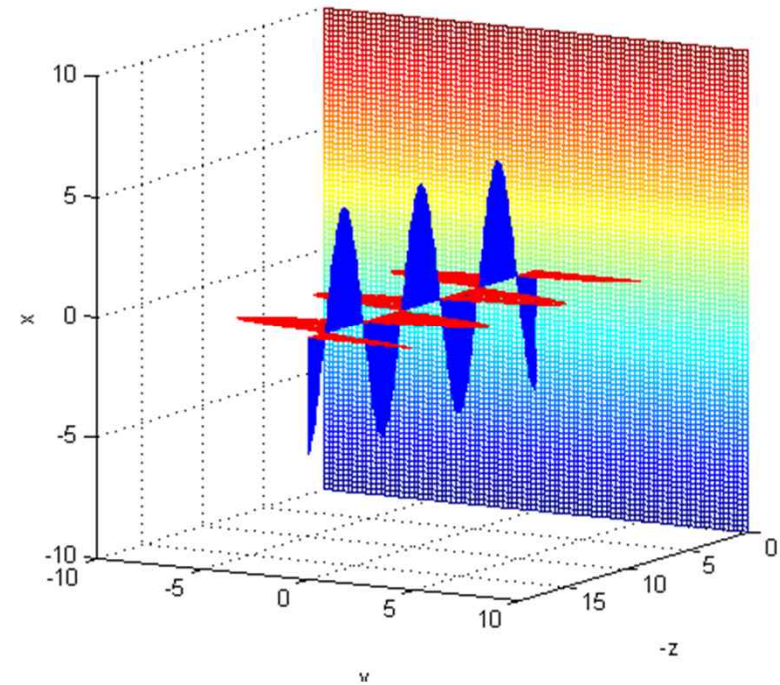
Incident Wave

$$\bar{E}_i = \bar{x}E_0 \exp(-j\beta z)$$



Reflected Wave

$$\bar{E}_r = -\bar{x}E_0 \exp(j\beta z)$$



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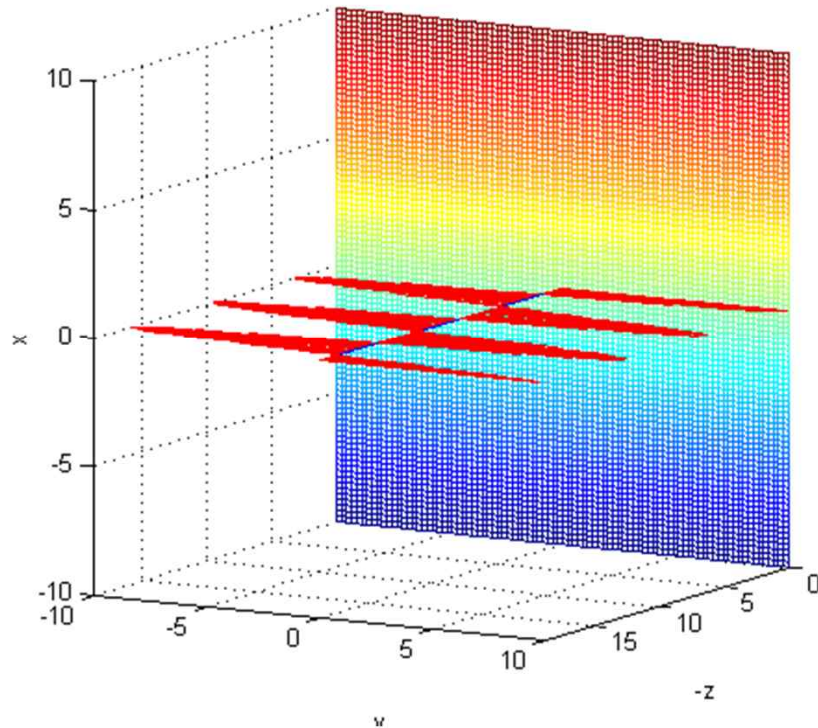
Total E-field for $z < 0$ $\bar{E}_{total}(z) = \bar{x}E_0 \exp(-j\beta z) - \bar{x}E_0 \exp(j\beta z)$

$$= \bar{x}E_0(-2j) \sin(\beta z)$$

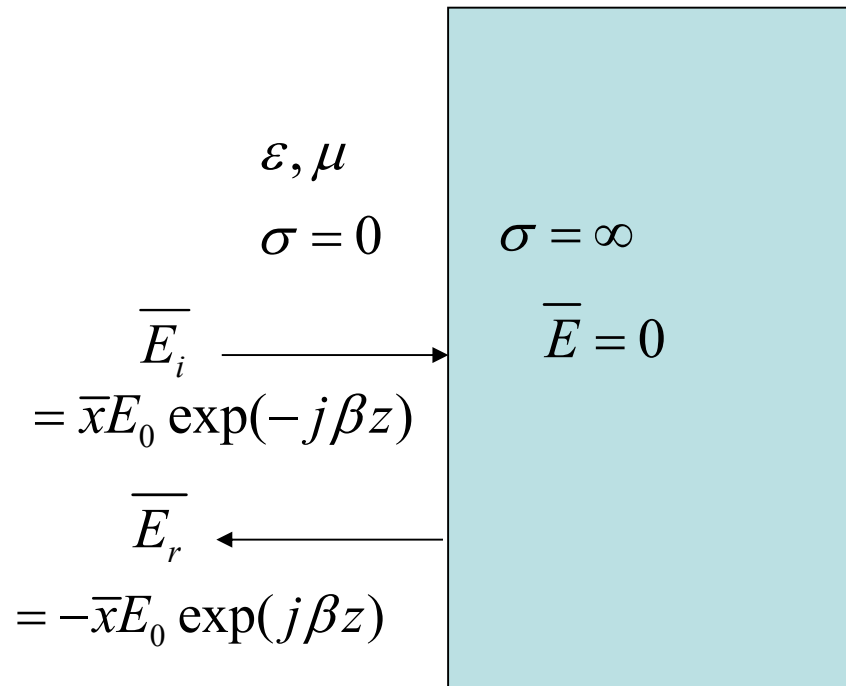
$$\bar{E}_{total}(z, t) = \bar{x}E_0(-2j) \sin(\beta z) e^{j\omega t}$$

$$\text{Re}[\bar{E}_{total}(z, t)] = \bar{x}E_0 2 \sin(\beta z) \sin(\omega t)$$

➔ Standing Wave!



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H-field for $z < 0$?

$$\vec{H}_i = \bar{y} \frac{E_0}{\eta} \exp(-j\beta z)$$

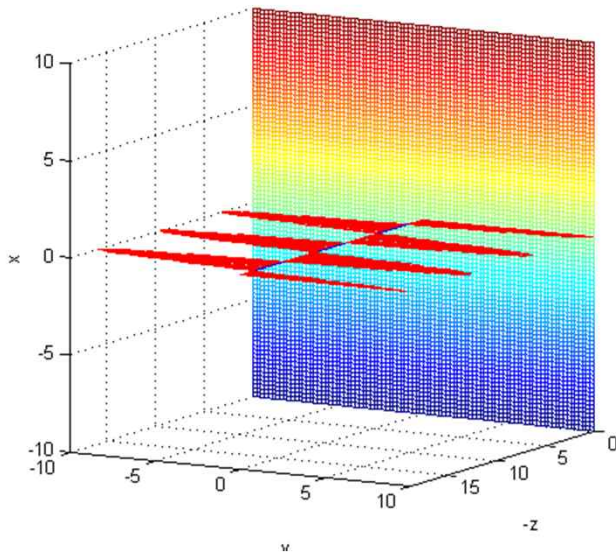
$$\vec{H}_r = \bar{y} \frac{E_0}{\eta} \exp(j\beta z)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{H}_{total}(z) &= \bar{y} \frac{E_0}{\eta} \exp(-j\beta z) + \bar{y} \frac{E_0}{\eta} \exp(j\beta z) \\ &= \bar{y} \frac{2E_0}{\eta} \cos(\beta z) \end{aligned}$$

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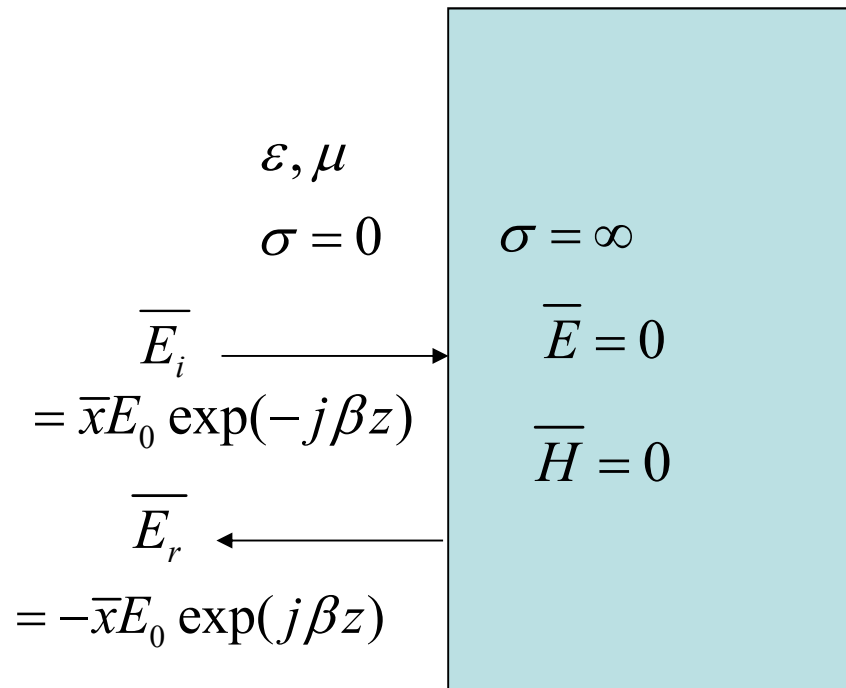
$$\text{Re}[\bar{E}_{total}(z, t)] = \bar{x}E_0 2 \sin(\beta z) \sin(\omega t) \quad \text{Re}[\bar{H}_{total}(z, t)] = \bar{y} \frac{2E_0}{\eta} \cos(\beta z) \cos(\omega t)$$



Power flow? $\frac{1}{2} \text{Re}[\bar{E} \times \bar{H}^*]$

(Flow of power density time average)

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H-field for $z < 0$?

$$\vec{H}_i = \bar{y} \frac{E_0}{\eta} \exp(-j\beta z)$$

$$\vec{H}_r = \bar{y} \frac{E_0}{\eta} \exp(j\beta z)$$

$$\vec{H}_{total}(z) = \bar{y} \frac{E_0}{\eta} \exp(-j\beta z) + \bar{y} \frac{E_0}{\eta} \exp(j\beta z)$$

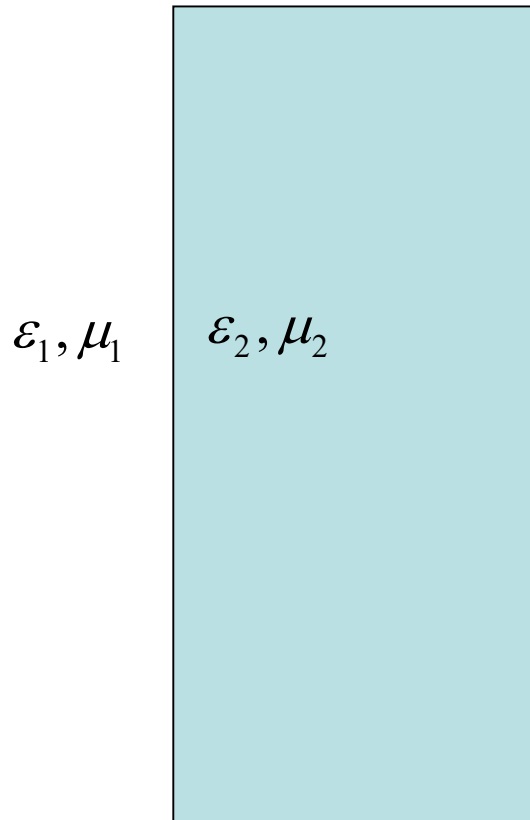
H-field for $z > 0$?

Boundary condition for H?

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$$\nabla \times \bar{H} = \bar{J} + \frac{\partial \bar{D}}{\partial t} \quad H_{2,t} - H_{1,t} = J_s$$

$$\nabla \cdot \bar{D} = \rho \quad \epsilon_2 E_{2,n} - \epsilon_1 E_{1,n} = \rho_s$$

$$\nabla \cdot \bar{B} = 0 \quad \mu_2 H_{2,n} - \mu_1 H_{1,n} = 0$$

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Homework: (Due 9/20)

Determine ρ and \bar{J}_s at the interface ($z=0$)

