

EM waves in metals

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \qquad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = - \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \qquad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} + \mu_0 \vec{J}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho \rightarrow \rho_f \\ \vec{J} \rightarrow \vec{J}_f \end{array} \right. \qquad \epsilon_0 \mu_0$$

$$\sigma \vec{E} = \vec{J}$$

Ohm's law

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{J} + \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$\sigma \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \rho = - \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t}$$

$$\rho(t) = \exp\left(-\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} t\right) \rho(0)$$

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$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = 0 & \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \\ \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\dot{\vec{B}} & \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \frac{1}{c^2} \dot{\vec{E}} + \mu_0 \sigma \vec{E} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Delta \vec{E} = \frac{1}{c^2} \ddot{\vec{E}} + \mu_0 \sigma \dot{\vec{E}} \\ \Delta \vec{B} = \frac{1}{c^2} \ddot{\vec{B}} + \mu_0 \sigma \dot{\vec{B}} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \vec{E} = \vec{E}_0 e^{i(\vec{k}\vec{r} - \omega t)} \\ \vec{B} = \vec{B}_0 e^{i(\vec{k}\vec{r} - \omega t)} \end{array} \right.$$

$$k^2 = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} + i \mu_0 \sigma \omega$$

$$k = \frac{\omega}{c} \sqrt{1 + i \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0 \omega}}$$

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$$n = \sqrt{1 + \frac{i\sigma}{\epsilon_0 \omega}} = n_1 + i n_2$$

$$\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \gg \omega \quad \left(\text{good metal} \right)$$

then

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} n \approx \sqrt{i \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0 \omega}} \\ n_1 \approx n_2 \approx \sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0 \omega}} \end{array} \right.$$

$$k = \frac{\omega}{c} n = \frac{\omega}{c} n_1 + i \frac{\omega}{c} n_2$$

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$$\vec{E} = \vec{E}_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)}$$

$$= E_0 \left\{ e^{i\omega \left(\frac{n_1 z}{c} - t \right)} \right\} \underbrace{e^{-\frac{n_2 \omega z}{c}}}_{e^{-\frac{z}{d}}}$$

$$d^{-1} = \frac{n_2 \omega}{c} \quad d = \frac{c}{\omega n_2}$$

for good metals

$$d \approx \frac{c}{\omega \sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0 \omega}}} = c \sqrt{\frac{2\epsilon_0}{\sigma \omega}}$$

$$d = c \sqrt{\frac{2\epsilon_0}{\sigma \omega}}$$

Skin
depth

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$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sigma = 6 \cdot 10^7 \text{ (S}\cdot\text{m)}^{-1} \\ \omega = 4 \cdot 10^{15} \text{ 1/s} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} = 9 \cdot 10^9$$

$$d \approx 5 \cdot 10^{-9} \text{ m} = 5 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ cm} \\ \approx \underline{\underline{50 \text{ \AA}}}$$

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi c}{\lambda} = \frac{2\pi \cdot 3 \cdot 10^8}{0.5 \cdot 10^{-6}} \approx 4 \cdot 10^{15}$$

$$\lambda = 0.5 \mu$$

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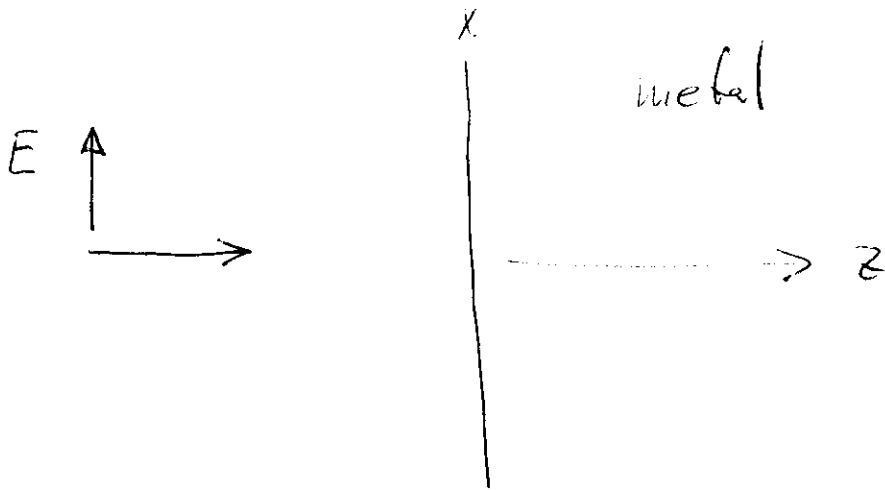
$$n = \sqrt{\epsilon \mu} = \sqrt{1 + i \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0 \omega}}$$

$$\mu = 1$$

$$\epsilon = 1 + i \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0 \omega}$$

Reflection off metal

Normal incidence



$$E_{OR} = \frac{\mathcal{L} \cdot \beta}{\mathcal{L} + \beta} E_{OI}$$

$$E_{OT} = \frac{2}{\mathcal{L} + \beta} E_{OI}$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{\cos \theta_R}{\cos \theta_I} = 1$$

$$\beta = \frac{\epsilon_2}{n_2} \frac{n_1}{\epsilon_1} = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_2}{\mu_2} \frac{\mu_1}{\epsilon_1}}$$

$$\alpha = 1$$

$$\beta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_1}} \sqrt{1 + i \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0 \omega}} = \frac{n_2}{n_1}$$

$$R = \left| \frac{1 - \beta}{1 + \beta} \right|^2$$

$$n_1 = \sqrt{\epsilon_1} \approx 1$$

$$R = \frac{(1 - \operatorname{Re} n_2)^2 + (\operatorname{Im} n_2)^2}{(1 + \operatorname{Re} n_2)^2 + \operatorname{Im} n_2^2}$$

$$R = \frac{(n' - 1)^2 + n''^2}{(n' + 1)^2 + n''^2}$$

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$$k = k_n' + i k_n'' = \sqrt{1 + i \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0 \omega}}$$

$$R = \frac{|k|^2 - 2k_n' + 1}{|k|^2 + 2k_n' + 1} \approx$$

$$\approx 1 - 4 \frac{k_n'}{|k|^2} \approx_{k_n' = k_n''}$$

$$\approx 1 - \frac{4k_n'}{2k_n'^2} = 1 - \frac{2}{k_n'}$$

$$\approx 1 - 2 \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_0 \omega^2}{\sigma}}$$

$$R = 1 - 2 \sqrt{2 \frac{\epsilon_0 \omega}{\sigma}}$$

$$k_n' \approx k_n'' \approx \sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0 \omega}}$$

$$\text{for } T \approx 300^\circ \text{K}$$

$$\sigma = 6 \cdot 10^7 \text{ (s} \cdot \text{m)}^{-1}$$

$$\frac{\hbar \sigma}{\epsilon_0} = 4.4 \text{ keV}$$

$$\lambda = 0.5 \mu$$

$$\omega = 4 \cdot 10^{15} \text{ 1/s}$$

$$\hbar \omega = 2 \text{ eV}$$

$$R = 1 - 2 \sqrt{2 \frac{2}{4.4 \cdot 10^3}}$$

$$= 1 - 0.069$$

$\approx 7\%$ lost