

# ***EE243 Advanced Electromagnetic Theory***

## ***Lec # 12: Waves in Dispersive Media***

- **Models for Media (harmonic oscillator)**
- **Behavior of permittivity and refractive index vs  $\omega$**
- **Superposition of waves and group velocity**
- **Pulse width increase with propagation**
- **Implications of Causality and initial/final condition**
- **Kramers Kronig Relations**
- **$\omega$ - $\beta$  diagrams**

**Reading: Jackson Ch 7.8-7.10 (skip 7.6 and 7.7)**

# Overview

- A harmonic oscillator model of electrons circulating about the nucleus is the basic phenomena by which materials affect EM waves.
- These ponderable media and also boundary (eigenvalue) constraints produce wave phase velocities that depend on frequency.
- This so called dispersion generally makes
  - the energy velocity less than the speed of light and (even undefined)
  - And causes the pulse length to increase with distance.
- $\epsilon(\omega)/\epsilon_0$  is an analytical function and the real part can be found from the imaginary part and visa versa
- The tool for characterizing wave dispersion is the  $\omega$ - $\beta$  diagram that plots the radian frequency versus the propagation k-vector.

# Harmonic Oscillator Model for Material

$$m[\ddot{x} + \gamma\dot{x} + \omega_0^2] = -e\bar{E}(\bar{x}, t)$$

$$\bar{p} = -e\bar{x} = \frac{e^2}{m} \frac{E}{(\omega_0^2 - i\omega\gamma - \omega^2)}$$

$$\frac{\varepsilon(\omega)}{\varepsilon_0} = 1 + \frac{Ne^2}{\varepsilon_0 m} \sum_j f_j \frac{1}{(\omega_j^2 - i\omega\gamma_j - \omega^2)}$$

- 2nd order differential equation in time
- $e^{i\omega t}$  converts to 2<sup>nd</sup> order algebraic equation
- Polarization is charge times displacement
- Dielectric constant is 1 + polarization effects
- Add contributions of each oscillator type

# Permittivity Frequency Behavior

- $\epsilon(\omega)$  has frequency dependence
- $\text{Re } \epsilon(\omega)$  generally decreases with increasing frequency
- $\text{Im } \epsilon(\omega)$  shows resonance peaks
- With low damping see resonance absorption and anomalous dispersion [negative slope of  $\epsilon(\omega)$ ]
- Represent  $\epsilon(\omega)$  by sum of poles in complex  $\omega$  plane
- Free electrons give pole at zero (Drude Model)
- At high frequency converges to 1 as constant/ $\omega^2$

# Refractive Index Water Versus Frequency

- Real part drops from 9 to 1.5 and then 1.0
- Imaginary Part rises to peak, drops to valley (visible), rises to peak, and drops to valley.
- First peak is due to vibrational modes in molecules and interaction among molecules.
- Second valley is due to electronic states of outer and then core electrons.

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Wavelength  
versus energy

$$\lambda = \frac{1240nm}{hv}$$

$$13.5nm \rightarrow 92eV$$

$$193nm \rightarrow 6.4eV$$

$$590nm \rightarrow 2.1eV$$

$$1240nm \rightarrow 1eV$$

Plasmons on metals come into this picture when  $\epsilon(\omega)$  is negative near the real axis (free electrons responding to E).

# Dispersion Single Wave Propagation

$$-\bar{k} \cdot \bar{k} + \omega^2 \mu(\omega) \epsilon(\omega) = 0$$

$$|\mathbf{k}| = k_0 = \omega \sqrt{\mu(\omega) \epsilon(\omega)}$$

$$k_0 = \sqrt{\epsilon_r(\omega)} \omega \mu_0 \epsilon_0$$

$$k_0 = n(\omega) \frac{\omega}{c}$$

$$(k_0 x - \omega t) = 0$$

$$v_p = \frac{x}{t} = \frac{\omega}{k} = \frac{\omega}{n(\omega) \frac{\omega}{c}} = \frac{c}{n(\omega)}$$

- Wave equation constraint on propagation vector
- $(kx - \omega t) = 0 \Rightarrow v_p = \omega/k$
- Length of k-vector determines phase velocity
- Not all signal components remain in phase

# Group Velocity Derivation

- Useful information or energy has more than one frequency to have a finite duration
- Consider Fourier Transform representation and use  $\omega(k) = \omega(-k)$
- Choose a finite envelope and find frequency spread  $\Delta x \Delta k > 1/2$
- Assume  $\omega(k)$  approximated as linear
  - Constant  $\Rightarrow$  phase shift
  - $\omega d\omega/dk$  gives delay  $\Rightarrow v_g = d\omega/dk$
- Curvature gives pulse broadening

$$v_g = \frac{c}{n(\omega) + \omega(dn/d\omega)}$$

# Causality

$$\bar{D}(\bar{x}, t) = \varepsilon_0 \left\{ \bar{E}(\bar{x}, t) + \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} G(\tau) \bar{E}(\bar{x}, t - \tau) d\tau \right\}$$

$$G(\tau) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} [\varepsilon(\omega) / \varepsilon_0 - 1] e^{-i\omega\tau} d\omega$$

$$\varepsilon(\omega) / \varepsilon_0 = 1 + \int_0^{\infty} G(\tau) e^{i\omega\tau} d\tau$$

- D is the response to E and  $D(\omega) = \varepsilon(\omega)E(\omega)$
- Write as summation over time
- Kernel is the polarizability and has duration of  $\gamma^{-1}$ .
- Must be careful when time is large and mean free path involves multiple neighbors (anomalous skin effects)
- $\varepsilon(\omega)/\varepsilon_0$  is an analytic function in the upper half-plane



# Kramers-Kronig Relations

$$\operatorname{Re} \varepsilon(\omega) / \varepsilon_0 = 1 + \frac{2}{\pi} P \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\omega' \operatorname{Im} \varepsilon(\omega') / \varepsilon_0}{\omega'^2 - \omega^2} d\omega'$$

$$\operatorname{Im} \varepsilon(\omega) / \varepsilon_0 = -\frac{2\omega}{\pi} P \int_0^{\infty} \frac{[\operatorname{Re} \varepsilon(\omega') / \varepsilon_0 - 1]}{\omega'^2 - \omega^2} d\omega'$$

- Analytic  $\Rightarrow$  Cauchy contour integral
- Part at infinity gives zero
- Integrate out singularity at pole
- P is principle value at pole

# Boundary Conditions Create Dispersion

$$-\bar{k} \cdot \bar{k} + \omega^2 \mu \epsilon = 0$$

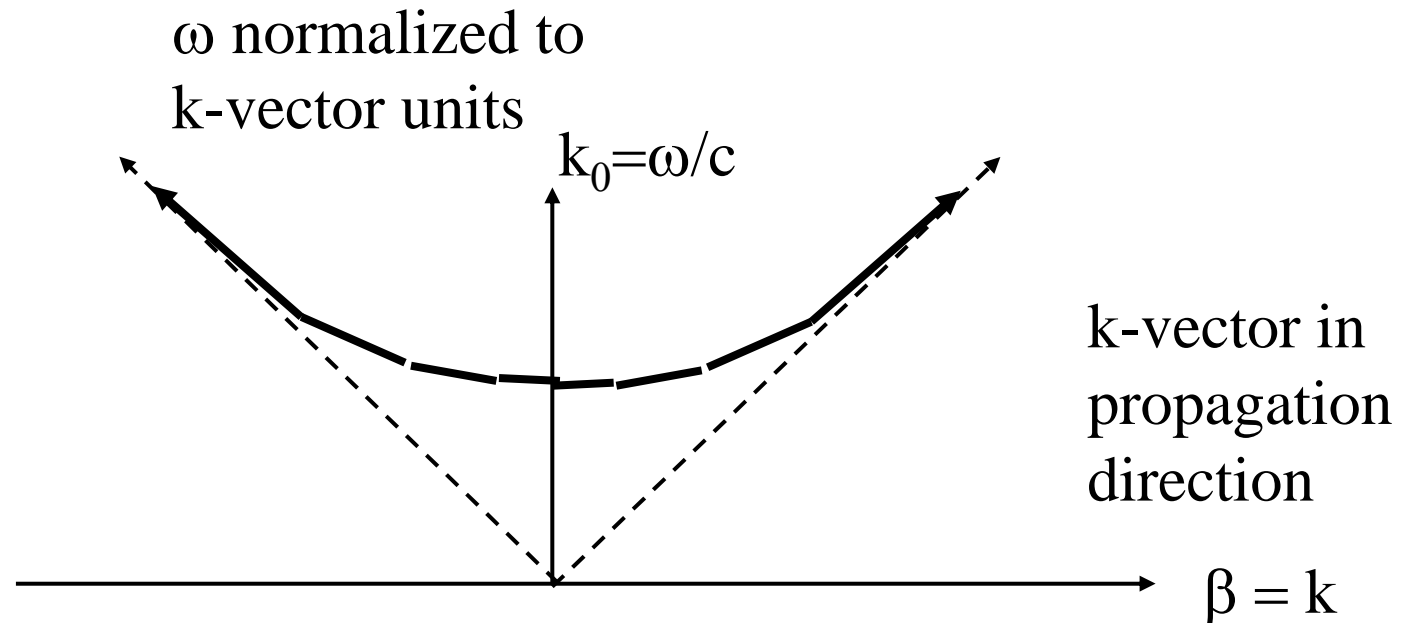
$$-k_z k_z - \frac{(2\pi)^2}{a^2} - \frac{(2\pi)^2}{b^2} + \omega^2 \mu \epsilon = 0$$

$$-k_z k_z + \omega^2 \mu \epsilon \left[ 1 - \frac{\frac{(2\pi)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(2\pi)^2}{b^2}}{\omega^2 \mu \epsilon} \right] = 0$$

$$\epsilon_r(\omega) = \left[ 1 - \frac{\frac{(2\pi)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(2\pi)^2}{b^2}}{(\omega/c)^2} \right]$$

- Boundary conditions contribute eigenvalues
- Wave equation forces constraint that gives the dispersion relationship
- Could interpret as relative permittivity

# $\omega$ - $\beta$ or $k$ - $\beta$ Diagram (1-D)



- plot  $\omega$  versus  $k$  dispersion relationship
- Speed of light reference  $k_0 = \omega/c$
- Phase velocity = global slope
- Group velocity = local slope

# Midterm Exam

- In Class Tuesday October 24<sup>th</sup>
- Covers material through today (Chapter 7)
- Open Book, Open Notes, Bring Calculator, Paper Provided
- Topics
  - Green's functions free space and use in Theorems and concepts with emphasis on statics
  - Separation of variables in rectangular coordinates using N-1 and N method
  - Time-Harmonic ME, planewaves, boundary conditions, and dispersion