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PHY 712 – Problem Set # 16

Continue reading Chapter 6 of **Jackson**. This problem will be due Wed. March 25, 2009.

1. Suppose that an electromagnetic wave of pure (real) frequency ω is traveling along the z -axis of a wave guide having a square cross section with side dimension a composed of a medium having a real permittivity constant ϵ and a real permeability constant μ . Suppose that the wave is known to have the form:

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \Re \left\{ H_0 e^{ikz - i\omega t} (i\mu\omega) \frac{\pi}{a} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{a}\right) \hat{\mathbf{y}} \right\}$$

$$\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \Re \left\{ H_0 e^{ikz - i\omega t} \left[-ik \frac{\pi}{a} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{a}\right) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{a}\right) \hat{\mathbf{z}} \right] \right\}.$$

Here H_0 denotes a real amplitude, and the parameter k is assumed to be real and equal to

$$k \equiv \sqrt{\omega^2 - \left(\frac{\pi}{a}\right)^2},$$

where $\omega > \frac{\pi}{a}$. Find the form of the time-averaged Poynting vector

$$\langle \mathbf{S} \rangle_{avg} \equiv \frac{1}{2} \Re \{ \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, t) \times \mathbf{H}^*(\mathbf{r}, t) \}$$

for this electromagnetic wave.