

Propagating Wave (1B)

- 3-D Propagating Wave

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Maxwell Equations

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mu \mathbf{H}}{\partial t} \qquad \nabla \cdot (\epsilon \mathbf{E}) = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = +\frac{\partial \epsilon \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} \qquad \nabla \cdot (\mu \mathbf{H}) = 0$$

$$\nabla = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \mathbf{i}_x + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \mathbf{i}_y + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \mathbf{i}_z$$

$$\nabla^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}$$

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2} \xrightarrow{s(\mathbf{x}, t)} \frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial z^2} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial t^2}$$

Wave Equation in Cartesian Coordinates

Assume a separable solution

$$\begin{aligned} s(x, y, z, t) &= A e^{j(\omega t - k_x x - k_y y - k_z z)} \\ &= A e^{-jk_x x} e^{-jk_y y} e^{-jk_z z} e^{j\omega t} \\ &= f(x)g(y)h(z)p(t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial z^2} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial t^2} \quad \Rightarrow \quad k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2 = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2}$$

$$k_x^2 s(x, y, z, t) + k_y^2 s(x, y, z, t) + k_z^2 s(x, y, z, t) = \frac{\omega^2 s(x, y, z, t)}{c^2}$$

Monochrome Plane Wave (1)

$$s(x, y, z, t) = A e^{j(\omega t - k_x x - k_y y - k_z z)}$$

Fixed point $(x, y, z) = (0, 0, 0)$

$$s(0, 0, 0, t) = A e^{j\omega t} = A \cos \omega t + A \sin \omega t$$

➔ Monochrome Wave

$$s(x, y, z, t) = A e^{j(\omega t - k_x x - k_y y - k_z z)}$$

Fixed time $t = t_0$

$$s(x, y, z, t_0) = A e^{j(\omega t_0 - [k_x x + k_y y + k_z z])}$$

points (x, y, z) such that $k_x x + k_y y + k_z z = C$ ➔ Plane Wave

planes of constant phase

$$s(x, y, z, t_0) = A e^{j(\omega t_0 - k_x x - k_y y - k_z z)} \quad \text{has the same value} \quad A e^{j(\omega t_0 - C)}$$

Monochrome Plane Wave (2)

$$s(x, y, z, t) = Ae^{j(\omega t - k_x x - k_y y - k_z z)} \quad \rightarrow \quad s(\mathbf{x}, t) = Ae^{j(\omega t - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x})}$$

planes of constant phase \rightarrow $\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x} = C$

If truly a propagating wave

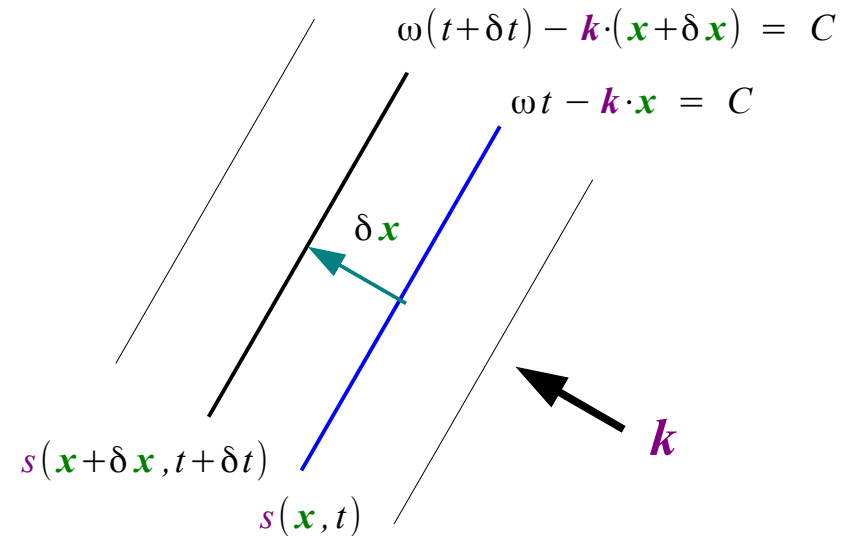
planes of constant phase move by $\delta \mathbf{x}$

as time advances by δt

$$\rightarrow s(\mathbf{x} + \delta \mathbf{x}, t + \delta t) = s(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

$$\rightarrow \omega(t + \delta t) - \mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{x} + \delta \mathbf{x}) = \omega t - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}$$

$$\omega \delta t - \mathbf{k} \cdot \delta \mathbf{x} = 0$$



Monochrome Plane Wave (3)

constant phase



$$\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x} = C$$

planes of constant phase



perpendicular to \mathbf{k}

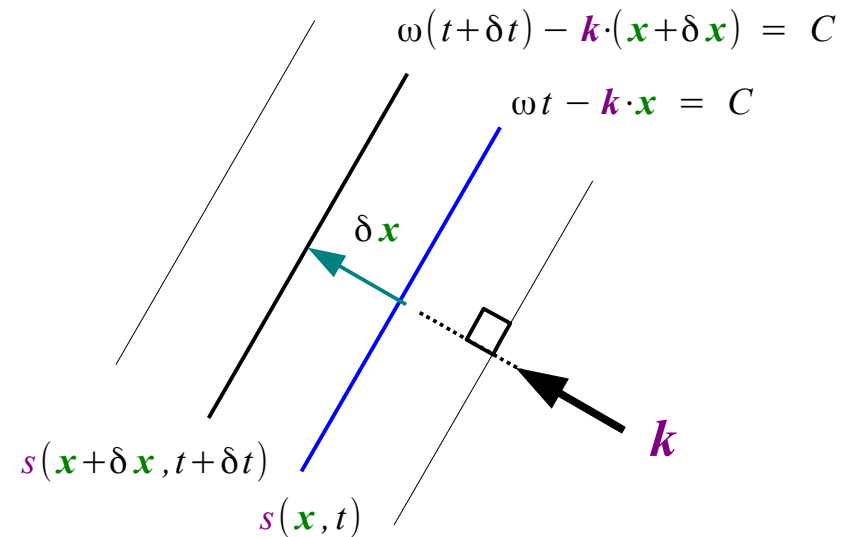
Plane Equation

$$\mathbf{n} \cdot (\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_0) = 0$$

Normal Vector

Position vector of a point in the plane

$$\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x} - C = 0$$



Monochrome Plane Wave (4)

constant phase



$$\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x} = C$$

planes of constant phase



perpendicular to \mathbf{k}

If truly a propagating wave

planes of constant phase move by $\delta \mathbf{x}$
as time advances by δt

$$s(\mathbf{x} + \delta \mathbf{x}, t + \delta t) = s(\mathbf{x}, t)$$



$$\omega \delta t - \mathbf{k} \cdot \delta \mathbf{x} = 0$$

$\delta \mathbf{x}$ in the same direction \mathbf{k} : minimum $|\delta \mathbf{x}|$

The direction of propagation $\xi_0 = \frac{\mathbf{k}}{|\mathbf{k}|}$

If in the same direction $\mathbf{k} \cdot \delta \mathbf{x} = |\mathbf{k}| |\delta \mathbf{x}|$

Monochrome Plane Wave (5)

constant phase



$$\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x} = C$$

planes of constant phase



perpendicular to \mathbf{k}

$$s(\mathbf{x} + \delta \mathbf{x}, t + \delta t) = s(\mathbf{x}, t)$$



$$\omega \delta t - \mathbf{k} \cdot \delta \mathbf{x} = 0$$

$\delta \mathbf{x}$ in the same direction \mathbf{k} : minimum $|\delta \mathbf{x}|$

The direction of propagation $\xi_0 = \frac{\mathbf{k}}{|\mathbf{k}|}$

If in the same direction $\mathbf{k} \cdot \delta \mathbf{x} = |\mathbf{k}| |\delta \mathbf{x}|$

$$\omega \delta t = |\mathbf{k}| |\delta \mathbf{x}|$$

$$\frac{\omega}{|\mathbf{k}|} = \frac{|\delta \mathbf{x}|}{\delta t}$$

$$k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2 = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \quad \Rightarrow \quad k^2 = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \quad \Rightarrow$$

$$c^2 = \frac{\omega^2}{k^2} \quad \Rightarrow \quad c = \frac{\omega}{|\mathbf{k}|} \quad \Rightarrow \quad c = \frac{|\delta \mathbf{x}|}{\delta t}$$

The speed of propagation of the plane wave

Wave Number, Angular Frequency

wave number

$$k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$

How many λ in 2π (rad / m)

angular frequency

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T}$$

How many T in 2π (rad / sec)

3-dimensional space

$$\omega \delta t - \mathbf{k} \cdot \delta \mathbf{x} = 0$$

period

wavelength

$\delta t \Rightarrow$

$$T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega}$$

$\delta x \Rightarrow$

$$\lambda = \frac{2\pi}{k}$$

wave number vector

spatial frequency variable

Its magnitude represents the number of cycles (in rad) per meter of length that the monochromatic plane wave exhibits *in the direction of propagation*.

Wavelength, Frequency

$$s(\mathbf{x}, t) = A e^{j(\omega t - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x})}$$

position vector

$$s(\mathbf{x}, t) = A e^{j(\omega(t - \boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{x}))}$$

$$(\omega t - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}) = \omega \left(t - \left(\frac{\mathbf{k}}{\omega} \right) \cdot \mathbf{x} \right)$$

temporal angular frequency 3-d spatial frequency slowness vector $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$

$$= [\omega(t - \boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{x})]$$

Function of a single variable

$$s(u) = A e^{j(\omega u)}$$

$$s(t - \boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{x}) = A e^{j(\omega(t - \boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{x}))}$$

$$= s(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

Slowness Vector

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha} = \frac{\mathbf{k}}{\omega}$$

Speed Vector (Phase Velocity)

$$\mathbf{v}_p = \frac{\omega}{\mathbf{k}}$$

Summary

Propagating Plane Wave

$$s(t - \boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{x}) = A e^{j(\omega(t - \boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{x}))} = s(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

Propagating Sinusoidal Plane Wave

$$\sin(\omega(t - \boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{x})) = \sin(\omega t - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x})$$

Slowness Vector

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha} = \frac{\mathbf{k}}{\omega} \quad |\boldsymbol{\alpha}| = \frac{1}{c}$$

Wavenumber Vector

$$\mathbf{k} = \omega \boldsymbol{\alpha} \quad |\mathbf{k}| = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$

Frequency and wavelength

$$|\boldsymbol{\alpha}| = \frac{|\mathbf{k}|}{\omega} \quad c = \frac{1}{|\boldsymbol{\alpha}|} = \frac{\omega}{|\mathbf{k}|}$$

$$c = \frac{\omega \cdot \lambda}{2\pi}$$

Maxwell Equations

$$A(t, t) = A_0 \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

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