

1.2 A plane wave traveling along the x -axis in a polystyrene-filled region with $\epsilon_r = 2.54$ has an electric field given by $E_y = E_0 \cos(\omega t - kx)$. The frequency is 2.4 GHz, and $E_0 = 5.0$ V/m. Find the following: (a) the amplitude and direction of the magnetic field, (b) the phase velocity, (c) the wavelength, and (d) the phase shift between the positions $x_1 = 0.1$ m and $x_2 = 0.15$ m.

Assume polystyrene ($\epsilon = 2.54\epsilon_0$, $\mu = \mu_0$) is lossless as no loss tangent information is given.

a) Adapt (1.76), $\vec{H} = \frac{1}{\eta} \hat{n} \times \vec{E}$. From the ' $-kx$ ' term of E_y , we know the wave propagates in

the $+x$ -direction. Per Table 1.1, $\eta = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\epsilon}} = \sqrt{\frac{4\pi \cdot 10^{-7}}{2.54 \cdot 8.8541878 \cdot 10^{-12}}} = 236.3816224 \Omega$.

$$\vec{H} = \frac{1}{236.38} \hat{x} \times \hat{y} 5 e^{-jkx} = \hat{z} 0.02115224 e^{-jkx} \text{ (A/m)}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{H}| = 0.02115224 \text{ (A/m) in } \hat{z} \text{ direction}$$

b) phase velocity (1.47), $v_p = \frac{\omega}{k} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi \cdot 10^{-7} (2.54) 8.8541878 \cdot 10^{-12}}}$

$$\Rightarrow v_p = 1.88106 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

c) wavelength (1.48) $\lambda = \frac{2\pi}{k} = \frac{v_p}{f} = \frac{1.88106 \cdot 10^8}{2.4 \cdot 10^9}$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 0.078378 \text{ m}$$

d) The phase constant (Table 1.1) $k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} = \frac{2\pi}{0.078378} = 80.1656 \text{ rad/m}$.

Phase shift = $k\Delta x = 80.1656 (0.15 - 0.1) \Rightarrow \text{phase shift} = 4.00828 \text{ rad} = 229.66^\circ$