

Energy Flux or Poynting Vector (\vec{S})

Poynting Vector is defined as Energy per unit area per unit time carried by the electromagnetic wave.

OR Power per unit area is called Poynting Vector.

Unit :- $J/m^2\text{-sec}$ or W/m^2

(Watt/m²)

$$\vec{S} = \vec{E} \times \vec{H}$$

$$= \frac{\vec{E} \times \vec{B}}{\mu_0}$$

$$\vec{S} = \frac{EB}{\mu_0} \hat{z}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{dir}^n \text{ of } E &\rightarrow \hat{x} \\ B &\rightarrow \hat{y} \\ (\hat{x} \times \hat{y} &\rightarrow \hat{z}) \end{aligned}$$

$$B = \frac{E}{c} \Rightarrow \vec{S} = \frac{E^2}{\mu_0 c} \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{S} = \frac{E^2}{\mu_0 c} \times \frac{c}{c} \hat{z} = \frac{E^2 c}{\mu_0 c^2} = \frac{E^2 \mu_0 \epsilon_0 c}{\mu_0}$$

$$\vec{S} = c \epsilon_0 E^2 \hat{z}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{S} = cu \hat{z}}$$

$$(u = \epsilon_0 E^2)$$

This is Relation b/w Poynting vector & energy density.

$\vec{S} \rightarrow$ tells the dirⁿ of Energy propagation.

$\vec{k} \rightarrow$ " " " " wave " "

Generally, dirⁿ of \vec{S} & \vec{k} matches but not every time.

In present case, dirⁿ of $\vec{k} = \hat{z}$

dirⁿ of $\vec{S} = \hat{z}$

In free space, dirⁿ of wave propagation is same as dirⁿ of energy flow.

Electromag. wave not only carry the energy but also carry the momentum.

Energy Density u Energy per unit volume.

Electric field vector gives the Electric energy density,
& magnetic " " " " magnetic " " " u_m

$$u_e = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} \int_{\text{all space}} E^2 d\tau$$

$E \rightarrow$ Total elec. field

$$u_e = \frac{\epsilon_0 \cdot E^2}{2}$$

$$\& \quad u_m = \frac{1}{2 \mu_0} \int_{\text{all space}} B^2 d\tau$$

$$u_m = \frac{B^2}{2 \mu_0}$$

We have, $\vec{B} = \frac{\vec{K} \times \vec{E}}{\omega}$ $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \vec{K} \rightarrow K \hat{z} \\ \vec{E} \rightarrow E \hat{x} \end{array} \right. \quad \{ \hat{z} \times \hat{x} = \hat{y} \}$

$$\vec{B} = \frac{K E}{\omega} \hat{y}$$

$$\boxed{v = \frac{\omega}{K}} = \text{wave velocity (in free space)}$$

$$\text{so } \vec{B} = \frac{E}{c} \hat{y}$$

$$\therefore u_m = \frac{B^2}{2 \mu_0} = \frac{E^2}{2 c^2 \mu_0} = \frac{E^2 \mu_0 \epsilon_0}{2 \mu_0} = \frac{\epsilon_0 E^2}{2}$$

$$\boxed{u_m = u_e}$$

Mag. field energy = Electric field energy.

In free space, Mag. field & Ele. field carry equal energy. This energy remain in field, i.e. mag. energy remain in mag. field & E. energy remain in Elec field.

Total Energy density $\boxed{u = u_e + u_m = \epsilon_0 E^2}$

Momentum Density of EM Waves :-
 Total mom. per unit volume called Mom. density.
 denoted by \vec{p}

In free space, $\vec{p} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \vec{S}$ ($\vec{S} = cu$)

$$\vec{p} = \frac{\vec{S}}{c} = \frac{u}{c} \hat{z}$$

This is called Electro mag. mom. density.

Average Value of these quantities :-

We have, Energy density $u = \epsilon_0 E^2$
 Poynting vector $\vec{S} = c \epsilon_0 E^2 \hat{z}$
 Momentum density $\vec{p} = \frac{\epsilon_0 E^2}{c} \hat{z}$

Now, we calculate average energy density, Average poynting vector & average mom. density over a cycle.

We know, the solutions are

$$\vec{E} = E_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \hat{x}$$

$$\vec{B} = B_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \hat{y}$$

We can write,

$$\vec{E} = E_0 \left[\underbrace{\cos(kz - \omega t)}_{\text{real part}} + i \underbrace{\sin(kz - \omega t)}_{\text{imaginary part}} \right] \hat{x}$$

Only real part carries the energy.

$$E^2 = \vec{E} \cdot \vec{E} = E_0^2 \cos^2(kz - \omega t)$$

Average value of energy density

$$\langle u \rangle = \epsilon_0 E_0^2 \langle \cos^2(kz - \omega t) \rangle$$

Average value of \cos^2 over a cycle of 2π gives $\frac{1}{2}$.

so
$$\langle u \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E_0^2$$

→ we can also write it in terms of mag. field (B_0) → amp of mag. field

E_0 → amplitude

This is the combination of electric & magnetic energy density

So separately,

$$\langle u_e \rangle = \frac{1}{4} \epsilon_0 E_0^2$$

$$\langle u_m \rangle = \frac{1}{4} \epsilon_0 E_0^2$$

Relation b/w elec. & mag. field, $B_0 = \frac{E_0}{c}$
amplitude of

$$\Rightarrow E_0 = B_0 c$$

$$\Rightarrow E_0^2 = B_0^2 c^2$$

$$\Rightarrow E_0^2 = \frac{B_0^2}{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}$$

$$\text{So } \langle u \rangle = \frac{1}{24} \epsilon_0 E_0^2 = \frac{B_0^2}{4 \mu_0}$$

Average value of Poynting vector also called Intensity
it is the average energy per unit area per unit time associated with the EM wave.

$$\langle \vec{S} \rangle = I$$

e.g. An EM wave of given intensity, incident on 1 m^2 area for 10 sec then calculate energy transferred to the surface.

$$\rightarrow I = 2 \text{ J/m}^2 \text{ sec}$$

energy / unit area / unit time

$$\text{So Energy} = 2 \times 10 = 20 \text{ Joule}$$

Now,

$$\langle \vec{S} \rangle \equiv I \text{ (intensity)}$$

$$= c \langle u \rangle \hat{z}$$

$$\langle \vec{S} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 c E_0^2 \hat{z}$$

\rightarrow This much intensity is transferred to the surface.

This can be in another form (in terms of mag. field)

Average value of Mom. density

Mom. density \rightarrow mom. / unit volume.

If Mom. density of EM wave is given per unit volume & calculate mom. transfer to the given volume then

$$\langle \vec{p} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{c} \epsilon_0 \langle E_0^2 \rangle$$

$$\langle \vec{p} \rangle = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} \frac{E_0^2}{c}$$

This much avg. mom./unit volume will transfer to the volume.