

Skin Depth (δ) :-

If we incident EM wave on conductor. Inside the conductor, near the surface E-field is not zero but it will travel some distance & then E-field become zero.

Skin depth is the distance at which amplitude of EM wave become $1/e$ value of the value at the surface.

If E-field at surface is E_0 then after travelling some distance i.e. skin depth, it become $\frac{E_0}{e}$.

More is β , less is the skin-depth.

$$\delta = \frac{1}{\beta}$$

Skin-depth of free space :- is ∞ .

In free-space there is no decay in amp. of wave.

For Good Conductor,

$$\delta_{\text{good}} = \frac{1}{\beta} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\sigma \omega \mu}}$$

For Bad Conductor,

(means it is Insulator)

$$\delta_{\text{bad}} = \infty \quad \text{for perfect insulator } \left(\begin{array}{l} \sigma = 0 \\ \beta = 0 \end{array} \right)$$

For perfect dielectric (it is a " ")
If conductivity is finite but very small then there will be some skin depth. There will be decay so δ will be finite.

$$\beta = \omega \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon \mu}{2}} \left[1 + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\sigma}{\omega \epsilon} \right)^2 - 1 \right]^{1/2}$$

$$= \omega \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon \mu}{2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{\sigma}{\omega \epsilon} \right) = \frac{\sigma}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\epsilon}}$$

$$\delta_{\text{bad}} = \frac{1}{\beta_{\text{bad}}} = \frac{2}{\sigma} \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{\mu}}$$

{ for perfect insulator, $\sigma = 0$ so $\delta = \infty$ }

Phase :- If wave impedance is complex, it defines the phase difference b/w \vec{E} & \vec{B} .

$$Z = \left| \frac{\vec{E}}{\vec{H}} \right| = \frac{\mu E}{B} = \frac{\mu \omega}{k^*} \quad \left\{ \frac{E}{B} = v = \frac{\omega}{k^*} \right.$$

$$= \frac{\mu \omega}{(\alpha + i\beta)} = \text{Complex quantity}$$

Inside the conducting medium \vec{E} & \vec{B} are out of phase.

We know $k^* = \alpha + i\beta = k e^{i\phi}$

where $k \rightarrow \text{Amp.} \Rightarrow k = (\alpha^2 + \beta^2)^{1/2}$

$\phi \rightarrow \text{phase difference} \Rightarrow \tan \phi = \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$

We know that

$$\alpha = \omega \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon \mu}{2}} \left[\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\sigma}{\omega \epsilon} \right)^2} + 1 \right]^{1/2}$$

$$\beta = \omega \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon \mu}{2}} \left[\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\sigma}{\omega \epsilon} \right)^2} - 1 \right]^{1/2}$$

So $k = (\alpha^2 + \beta^2)^{1/2} = \omega$

$$k = \omega \sqrt{\mu \epsilon} \left[1 + \left(\frac{\sigma}{\omega \epsilon} \right)^2 \right]^{1/4}$$

and $\tan \phi = \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$

$$\phi = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sigma}{\omega \epsilon} \right)$$

This is the phase diff. b/w \vec{E} & \vec{B} . If $\sigma = 0$ then $\phi = 0$ i.e. No phase diff.

We have $\vec{B} = \frac{\vec{k} \times \vec{E}}{\omega}$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \vec{k}^* = k^* \hat{z} \\ \vec{E} = E \hat{x} \\ \text{so } \vec{B} \text{ will be in } \hat{y} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\vec{B} = \frac{k^* E}{\omega} \hat{y} e^{-i\beta(\hat{n} \cdot \vec{r})}$$

$$\vec{B} = \frac{k e^{i\phi}}{\omega} E_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \hat{y}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} k^* = k e^{i\phi} \\ E = E_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \end{array} \right.$$

On putting the values of k , we get

$$\vec{B} = \sqrt{\mu \epsilon} \left[1 + \left(\frac{\sigma}{\omega \epsilon} \right)^2 \right]^{1/4} E_0 e^{-\beta(\hat{n} \cdot \vec{r})} e^{i[kz - (\omega t - \phi)]} \hat{y}$$

Phase of $\vec{E} = (kz - \omega t)$

$\vec{B} = [kz - (\omega t - \phi)]$

→ \vec{B} is lagging behind \vec{E} by phase diff. ϕ i.e. \vec{E} is leading by ϕ .

→ The amplitude of \vec{B} is greater than \vec{E} (as $\frac{\sigma}{\omega \epsilon} \gg 1$)
 becaz, Amp of \vec{B} contains amp. of \vec{E} & also a quantity multiplied by amp. of E (which the quantity is greater than 1)

→ E decays faster that's why its amp. is small.

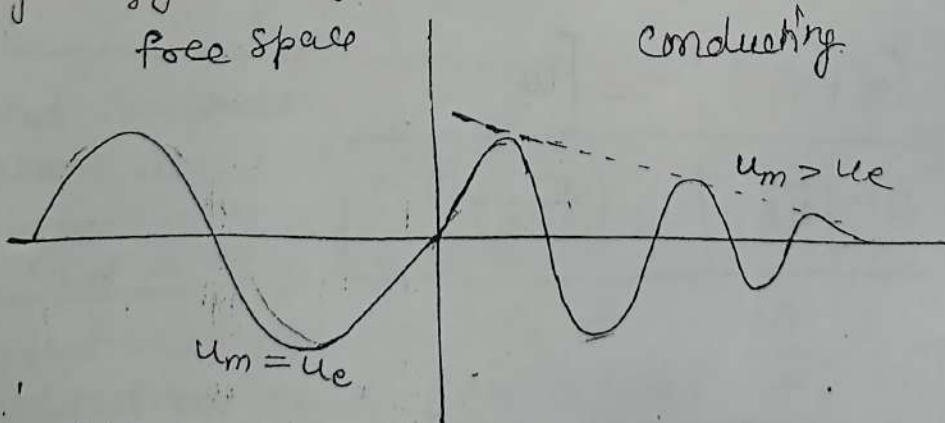
→ Energy density -

$$u_m > u_e$$

At any particular distance ↑

$$u_m \propto B^2 \text{ \& } u_e \propto E^2$$

i.e. mag. energy density is greater than electric energy density.



→ Poynting Vector :-

$$\vec{S} = \frac{\vec{E} \times \vec{B}}{\mu} \hat{z}$$

$$\because \vec{E} \rightarrow \hat{x}, \vec{B} \rightarrow \hat{y}$$

$$\therefore \vec{S} \rightarrow \hat{z}$$

ie. dirⁿ of energy flow is same as dirⁿ of wave propagation.

We have $\vec{B} = \frac{\vec{k}}{\omega} \vec{E}$

$$\frac{\vec{B}}{E} = \sqrt{\mu\epsilon} \left[1 + \left(\frac{\sigma}{\omega\epsilon} \right)^2 \right]^{1/4}$$

so $\vec{S} = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{\mu}} \left[1 + \left(\frac{\sigma}{\omega\epsilon} \right)^2 \right]^{1/4} E^2 \hat{z}$

$$\vec{S} = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{\mu}} \left[1 + \left(\frac{\sigma}{\omega\epsilon} \right)^2 \right]^{1/4} E_0^2 e^{-2\beta z} \left[e^{2i(kz - \omega t)} \right] \hat{z}$$

Conclusions in conducting medium

① → Ele. & mag. field amplitudes decays exponentially

$$E_0 e^{-\beta z} = \boxed{E_0 e^{-\frac{z}{\delta}}}$$

$$\left(\delta = \frac{1}{\beta} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{k} &= k \hat{n} \\ \hat{n} &= \text{dir}^n \text{ of prop.} \\ (\hat{s} \cdot \hat{n} = \hat{z}) \end{aligned}$$

e.g. - given that the skin depth for a certain material $\delta = 10 \text{ nm}$. Calculate the amp. of \vec{E} after 100nm distance into the conductor.

E_0 - field at surface.

z → distance travelled into the medium.

$$E_0 e^{-\frac{z}{\delta}} = E_0 e^{-\frac{100 \text{ nm}}{10 \text{ nm}}} = E_0 e^{-10}$$

e^{-10} → very very small (negligible)

* If skin depth is given & find the amp. after a distance the use above formula.

② → $E \perp k, B \perp k$

ie. $\boxed{E \perp B \perp k}$

EM waves are transverse.

③ → There is a phase diff. b/w \vec{E} & \vec{B} fields!

\vec{E} leading in phase by angle $\phi = \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sigma}{\omega\epsilon} \right)$

④ → $u_m \neq u_e$ but $u_m > u_e$

so most of the energy lies in the mag. field

& decay of u is $\boxed{u \propto e^{-\frac{2z}{\delta}}}$