

**Problem 2.50)** a) The amount of charge flowing per unit time through each and every cross-section perpendicular to the  $z$ -axis is given by

$$I_0 = \lambda_0 V. \quad (1)$$

Note that the units on both sides of the above equation are [coulomb/meter].

b) Application of Maxwell's 1<sup>st</sup> equation to a cylinder of radius  $r$  and unit height along  $z$  yields the  $E$ -field as  $\mathbf{E}(r, \phi, z) = \lambda_0 \hat{\mathbf{r}} / (2\pi\epsilon_0 r)$ . Similarly, application of Maxwell's 2<sup>nd</sup> equation to a circular loop of radius  $r$  parallel to the  $xy$ -plane yields the  $H$ -field as  $\mathbf{H}(r, \phi, z) = \lambda_0 V \hat{\phi} / (2\pi r)$ .

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = \epsilon_0 \nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial(rE_r)}{r\partial r} = \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial[r\lambda_0 / (2\pi\epsilon_0 r)]}{r\partial r} = \frac{\partial(\lambda_0)}{2\pi r \partial r} = 0. \quad (2)$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = -\frac{\partial H_\phi}{\partial z} \hat{\mathbf{r}} + \frac{\partial(rH_\phi)}{r\partial r} \hat{\mathbf{z}} = \frac{\partial[r\lambda_0 V / (2\pi r)]}{r\partial r} \hat{\mathbf{z}} = \frac{\partial(\lambda_0 V)}{2\pi r \partial r} \hat{\mathbf{z}} = 0. \quad (3)$$

Considering that  $\mathbf{J}_{\text{free}} = 0$  in the surrounding space, and that  $\mathbf{D} = \epsilon_0 \mathbf{E}$  is time-independent, the right-hand side of the above equation is equal to  $\mathbf{J}_{\text{free}} + \partial \mathbf{D} / \partial t$ . Maxwell's 2<sup>nd</sup> equation is thus satisfied.

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = \frac{\partial E_r}{\partial z} \hat{\phi} - \frac{\partial E_r}{r \partial \phi} \hat{\mathbf{z}} = \frac{\partial[\lambda_0 / (2\pi\epsilon_0 r)]}{\partial z} \hat{\phi} - \frac{\partial[\lambda_0 / (2\pi\epsilon_0 r)]}{r \partial \phi} \hat{\mathbf{z}} = 0. \quad (4)$$

Since  $\mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mathbf{H}$  is time-independent, the right-hand side of the above equation is equal to  $-\partial \mathbf{B} / \partial t$  and, therefore, Maxwell's 3<sup>rd</sup> equation is satisfied.

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \nabla \cdot \mathbf{H} = \mu_0 \frac{\partial H_\phi}{r \partial \phi} = \mu_0 \frac{\partial[\lambda_0 V / (2\pi r)]}{r \partial \phi} = 0. \quad (5)$$

$$\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, t) \times \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{\lambda_0 \hat{\mathbf{r}}}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r} \times \frac{\lambda_0 V \hat{\phi}}{2\pi r} = \frac{\lambda_0^2 V \hat{\mathbf{z}}}{4\pi^2 \epsilon_0 r^2}. \quad (6)$$

Electromagnetic energy thus flows along the  $z$ -axis within the free space region surrounding the rod. The rate of flow of this energy drops with the square of radial distance from the rod.