

Problem 4.47)

$$a) \quad \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}, t) = A_0 \left[\frac{\sin(k_0 r)}{(k_0 r)^2} - \frac{\cos(k_0 r)}{k_0 r} \right] \sin \theta \cos(\omega t) \hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}}.$$

Using the Taylor series expansion of sine and cosine functions, we write

$$\sin x = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots, \quad \cos x = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots.$$

Therefore, in the limit when $r \rightarrow 0$, we have

$$\frac{\sin(k_0 r)}{(k_0 r)^2} - \frac{\cos(k_0 r)}{k_0 r} = \left[\frac{1}{k_0 r} - \frac{k_0 r}{3!} + \frac{(k_0 r)^3}{5!} - \dots \right] - \left[\frac{1}{k_0 r} - \frac{k_0 r}{2!} + \frac{(k_0 r)^3}{4!} - \dots \right] = \frac{k_0 r}{3} - \frac{(k_0 r)^3}{30} + \dots.$$

It is thus seen that $A_\varphi(\mathbf{r}, t)$ approaches zero when $r \rightarrow 0$, and that, therefore, the vector potential does not have a singularity at the origin.

b) In the Lorenz gauge, $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} + (1/c^2) \partial \psi / \partial t = 0$. In the present problem, since $\psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = 0$, it is sufficient to show that $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} = 0$. Considering that the only component of $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}, t)$ is A_φ , which is independent of the azimuthal angle φ , we have $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} = (r \sin \theta)^{-1} \partial A_\varphi / \partial \varphi = 0$. The Lorenz gauge requirement is therefore satisfied.

$$c) \quad \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, t) = -\nabla \psi - \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t} = A_0 \omega \left[\frac{\sin(k_0 r)}{(k_0 r)^2} - \frac{\cos(k_0 r)}{k_0 r} \right] \sin \theta \sin(\omega t) \hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}}.$$

$$d) \quad \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \mu_0 \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \nabla \times \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial (\sin \theta A_\varphi)}{\partial \theta} \hat{\mathbf{r}} - \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial (r A_\varphi)}{\partial r} \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \\ = \frac{A_0}{r} \left\{ \left[\frac{\sin(k_0 r)}{(k_0 r)^2} - \frac{\cos(k_0 r)}{k_0 r} \right] (2 \cos \theta \hat{\mathbf{r}} + \sin \theta \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) - \sin(k_0 r) \sin \theta \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right\} \cos(\omega t).$$

Note that $\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{2}{3} k_0 A_0 (\cos \theta \hat{\mathbf{r}} - \sin \theta \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \cos(\omega t) = \frac{2}{3} k_0 A_0 \hat{\mathbf{z}} \cos(\omega t)$ is regular.

$$e) \quad \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H} = \frac{(A_0 \omega)^2}{2 Z_0 k_0 r} \left[\frac{\sin(k_0 r)}{(k_0 r)^2} - \frac{\cos(k_0 r)}{k_0 r} \right] \left\{ \left[\frac{\sin(k_0 r)}{(k_0 r)^2} - \frac{\cos(k_0 r)}{k_0 r} \right] (2 \cos \theta \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \sin \theta \hat{\mathbf{r}}) \right. \\ \left. + \sin(k_0 r) \sin \theta \hat{\mathbf{r}} \right\} \sin \theta \sin(2\omega t).$$

Since the time-averaged $\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{r}, t)$ is zero, the electromagnetic energy is essentially stationary.