

Problem 1) a) $\vec{E}_0 = \vec{E}_0' + i\vec{E}_0''$. When \vec{E}_0' and \vec{E}_0'' are parallel to each other, i.e., when they point in the same direction, the beam is linearly polarized. Let's define the unit vector \hat{u} as the common direction of \vec{E}_0' and \vec{E}_0'' . We'll have:

$$\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{E}_0' \cos(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t) + \vec{E}_0'' \sin(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t) = \sqrt{E_0'^2 + E_0''^2} [\cos \phi_0 \cos(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t) + \sin \phi_0 \sin(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)] \hat{u} = \sqrt{E_0'^2 + E_0''^2} \cos[\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t + \phi_0] \hat{u}$$

The last expression represents a linearly-polarized plane-wave, with E-field along the \hat{u} direction. The phase-angle ϕ_0 is related to E_0' and E_0'' as follows:

$$\tan \phi_0 = E_0''/E_0'$$

b) $\vec{E}_0 = \vec{E}_0' + i\vec{E}_0''$. The plane-wave is circularly-polarized when $\vec{E}_0' \perp \vec{E}_0''$ and $|\vec{E}_0'| = |\vec{E}_0''|$. At a fixed point in space, say $\vec{r} = \vec{r}_0$, when $t = \vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}_0 / \omega$ we have $\vec{E}(\vec{r}_0, t) = \vec{E}_0'$. A quarter of a period later (Note: Period $T = 2\pi/\omega$), when $t = \frac{1}{4}T + (\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}_0 / \omega)$, we'll have $\vec{E}(\vec{r}_0, t) = \vec{E}_0''$. By definition, the E-field of a circularly-polarized wave rotates uniformly at frequency ω , covering a quarter of the circle during each quarter-period, $T/4$. Therefore, \vec{E}_0' and \vec{E}_0'' must have equal length and be perpendicular to each other.

c) Maxwell's equations in free-space:

$$1) \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{k} \cdot \vec{E}_0 = 0$$

$$2) \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H} = \epsilon_0 \partial \vec{E} / \partial t \Rightarrow \vec{k} \times \vec{H}_0 = -\epsilon_0 \omega \vec{E}_0$$

$$3) \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\mu_0 \partial \vec{H} / \partial t \Rightarrow \vec{k} \times \vec{E}_0 = \mu_0 \omega \vec{H}_0$$

$$4) \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{H} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{k} \cdot \vec{H}_0 = 0$$

Maxwell's Eq. (1)

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \vec{k} \times (\vec{k} \times \vec{E}_0) = -\mu_0 \epsilon_0 \omega^2 \vec{E}_0 \Rightarrow (\vec{k} / E_0) \vec{k} - (\vec{k} \cdot \vec{k}) \vec{E}_0 = -(\omega/c)^2 \vec{E}_0 \Rightarrow k^2 = (\omega/c)^2 \end{array} \right\}$$

Since \vec{k} for a homogeneous plane-wave is real valued, we have:

$$k^2 = \vec{k} \cdot \vec{k} = (\vec{k}' + i\vec{k}'') \cdot (\vec{k}' + i\vec{k}'') = k'^2 - k''^2 + 2i\vec{k}' \cdot \vec{k}'' = k'^2 \leftarrow \text{real}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } k^2 = (\omega/c)^2 \Rightarrow k = \omega/c.$$

d) From Maxwell's equation 1, using the fact that $\vec{k} = \vec{k}' + i\vec{k}'' = \vec{k}'$, i.e., \vec{k} is real-valued, we write:

$$\vec{k} \cdot \vec{E}_0 = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{k} \cdot (\vec{E}'_0 + i\vec{E}''_0) = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{k} \cdot \vec{E}'_0 + i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{E}''_0 = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \vec{k} \cdot \vec{E}'_0 = 0 \\ \vec{k} \cdot \vec{E}''_0 = 0 \end{cases}$$

Therefore, $\vec{k} \perp \vec{E}'_0$ and $\vec{k} \perp \vec{E}''_0$.

e) From Maxwell's 4th equation $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{H}_0 = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{k} \cdot (\vec{H}'_0 + i\vec{H}''_0) = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \vec{k} \cdot \vec{H}'_0 = 0 \\ \vec{k} \cdot \vec{H}''_0 = 0 \end{cases}$

Therefore, $\vec{k} \perp \vec{H}'_0$ and $\vec{k} \perp \vec{H}''_0$.

f) From Maxwell's 3rd equation $\vec{k} \times \vec{E}_0 = \mu_0 \omega \vec{H}_0 \Rightarrow \vec{k} \times \vec{E}'_0 + i\vec{k} \times \vec{E}''_0 = \mu_0 \omega (\vec{H}'_0 + i\vec{H}''_0)$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \vec{H}'_0 = (\vec{k} \times \vec{E}'_0) / \mu_0 \omega \\ \vec{H}''_0 = (\vec{k} \times \vec{E}''_0) / \mu_0 \omega \end{cases} \xrightarrow[\text{also } \vec{k} \perp \vec{E}''_0]{\text{since } \vec{k} \perp \vec{E}'_0 \text{ and}} \begin{cases} \vec{H}'_0 \perp \vec{E}'_0 \text{ and } H'_0 = \frac{\omega \epsilon_0}{\mu_0 \omega} E'_0 = E'_0 / Z_0 \\ \vec{H}''_0 \perp \vec{E}''_0 \text{ and } H''_0 = \frac{\omega \epsilon_0}{\mu_0 \omega} E''_0 = E''_0 / Z_0 \end{cases}$$

g) $\vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) \times \vec{H}(\vec{r}, t) = [\vec{E}'_0 \cos(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t) - \vec{E}''_0 \sin(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)] \times [\vec{H}'_0 \cos(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t) - \vec{H}''_0 \sin(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)]$

$$= (\vec{E}'_0 \times \vec{H}'_0) \cos^2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t) + (\vec{E}''_0 \times \vec{H}''_0) \sin^2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t) - \frac{1}{2} (\vec{E}'_0 \times \vec{H}''_0 + \vec{E}''_0 \times \vec{H}'_0) \sin[2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)]$$

$$= \frac{E_0'^2}{Z_0} \hat{k} \cos^2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t) + \frac{E_0''^2}{Z_0} \hat{k} \sin^2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t) - \frac{1}{2Z_0} (\vec{E}'_0 \cdot \vec{E}''_0 + \vec{E}''_0 \cdot \vec{E}'_0) \hat{k} \sin[2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)]$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{E_0'^2 + E_0''^2}{2Z_0} \hat{k} + \frac{E_0'^2 - E_0''^2}{2Z_0} \hat{k} \cos[2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)] - \frac{\vec{E}'_0 \cdot \vec{E}''_0}{Z_0} \hat{k} \sin[2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)] \Rightarrow$$

$$\vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{\hat{k}}{2Z_0} \left\{ (E_0'^2 + E_0''^2) + (E_0'^2 - E_0''^2) \cos\left[2\omega\left(t - \frac{\hat{k} \cdot \vec{r}}{c}\right)\right] + 2\vec{E}'_0 \cdot \vec{E}''_0 \sin\left[2\omega\left(t - \frac{\hat{k} \cdot \vec{r}}{c}\right)\right] \right\}$$

The energy propagates along \hat{k} .

Problem 2) Maxwell's equations in free space:

$$1) \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{k} \cdot \vec{E}_0 = 0$$

$$2) \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H} = \epsilon_0 \partial \vec{E} / \partial t \Rightarrow \vec{k} \times \vec{H}_0 = -\epsilon_0 \omega \vec{E}_0$$

$$3) \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\mu_0 \partial \vec{H} / \partial t \Rightarrow \vec{k} \times \vec{E}_0 = +\mu_0 \omega \vec{H}_0$$

$$4) \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{H} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{k} \cdot \vec{H}_0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{k} \times (\vec{k} \times \vec{E}_0) = -\mu_0 \epsilon_0 \omega^2 \vec{E}_0 \Rightarrow$$

$$(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{E}_0) \vec{k} - k^2 \vec{E}_0 = -(\omega/c)^2 \vec{E}_0 \Rightarrow k^2 = (\omega/c)^2$$

= 0 from Eq. (1)

$$a) \vec{k} = k_x \hat{x} + i k_z \hat{z} \Rightarrow k^2 = \vec{k} \cdot \vec{k} = (k_x \hat{x} + i k_z \hat{z}) \cdot (k_x \hat{x} + i k_z \hat{z}) = k_x^2 - k_z^2 = (\omega/c)^2$$

$$b) \text{ From Maxwell's 1st equation: } \vec{k} \cdot \vec{E}_0 = 0 \Rightarrow (k_x \hat{x} + i k_z \hat{z}) \cdot (E_{x0} \hat{x} + i E_{z0} \hat{z}) = 0 \Rightarrow k_x E_{x0} - k_z E_{z0} = 0 \Rightarrow k_x E_{x0} = k_z E_{z0}$$

$$c) \text{ From Maxwell's 3rd equation: } \vec{k} \times \vec{E}_0 = \mu_0 \omega \vec{H}_0 \Rightarrow (k_x \hat{x} + i k_z \hat{z}) \times (E_{x0} \hat{x} + i E_{z0} \hat{z}) = i \mu_0 \omega H_{y0} \hat{y} \Rightarrow i k_x E_{z0} (\hat{x} \times \hat{z}) + i k_z E_{x0} (\hat{z} \times \hat{x}) = i (k_z E_{x0} - k_x E_{z0}) \hat{y} = i \mu_0 \omega H_{y0} \hat{y} \\ \Rightarrow H_{y0} = \frac{k_z E_{x0} - k_x E_{z0}}{\mu_0 \omega} = \frac{k_z - (k_x^2/k_z)}{\mu_0 \omega} E_{x0} = \frac{k_z^2 - k_x^2}{\mu_0 \omega k_z} E_{x0} = -\frac{(\omega/c)^2}{\mu_0 \omega \sqrt{k_x^2 - \omega^2/c^2}} E_{x0} \\ \Rightarrow H_{y0} = -\frac{\omega/c}{\mu_0 \omega \sqrt{(ck_x/\omega)^2 - 1}} E_{x0} \Rightarrow H_{y0} = -\frac{E_{x0}}{Z_0 \sqrt{(ck_x/\omega)^2 - 1}}$$

In the above derivation we chose the positive sign for $k_z = \sqrt{k_x^2 - (\omega/c)^2}$, the reason being that, the field-amplitudes are proportional to $\exp(i \vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}) = \exp[i(k_x \hat{x} + i k_z \hat{z}) \cdot \vec{r}] = \exp(-k_z z) \exp(ik_x x)$. When $z \rightarrow +\infty$ the fields can't become indefinitely large; therefore, $k_z \geq 0$.

$$d) \langle \vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \text{Re} \{ \vec{E}(\vec{r}) \times \vec{H}^*(\vec{r}) \} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Re} \{ (E_{x0} \hat{x} + i E_{z0} \hat{z}) e^{i(k_x \hat{x} + i k_z \hat{z}) \cdot \vec{r}} \times (-i H_{y0} \hat{y}) e^{-i(k_x \hat{x} - i k_z \hat{z}) \cdot \vec{r}} \} = \frac{1}{2} e^{-2k_z z} \text{Re} \{ (E_{x0} \hat{x} + i E_{z0} \hat{z}) \times (-i H_{y0} \hat{y}) \} \\ = \frac{1}{2} e^{-2k_z z} \text{Re} \{ -i E_{x0} H_{y0} \hat{z} - E_{z0} H_{y0} \hat{x} \} = -\frac{1}{2} \exp(-2k_z z) E_{z0} H_{y0} \hat{x} \\ \Rightarrow \langle \vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \exp(-2k_z z) \frac{E_{x0} E_{z0} \hat{x}}{Z_0 \sqrt{(ck_x/\omega)^2 - 1}} = \frac{k_x E_{x0}^2 \exp(-2k_z z)}{2 Z_0 k_z \sqrt{(ck_x/\omega)^2 - 1}} \hat{x} \Rightarrow$$

$$\langle \vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle = \frac{(ck_x/\omega) \exp[-2(\omega/c) \sqrt{(ck_x/\omega)^2 - 1} z]}{2 Z_0 [(ck_x/\omega)^2 - 1]} E_{x0}^2 \hat{x}$$

The energy flows along the positive x -axis when $k_x > 0$.

Problem 3) Maxwell's equations in an isotropic, homogeneous, linear medium:

$$\begin{aligned}
 1) \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D} = 0 &\Rightarrow \vec{k} \cdot \vec{E}_0 = 0 \\
 2) \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H} = \partial \vec{D} / \partial t &\Rightarrow \vec{k} \times \vec{H}_0 = -\omega \epsilon_0 \epsilon \vec{E}_0 \\
 3) \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\partial \vec{B} / \partial t &\Rightarrow \vec{k} \times \vec{E}_0 = \omega \mu_0 \mu \vec{H}_0 \\
 4) \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0 &\Rightarrow \vec{k} \cdot \vec{H}_0 = 0
 \end{aligned}
 \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \vec{k} \times (\vec{k} \times \vec{E}_0) = -\omega^2 \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \mu \epsilon \vec{E}_0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\vec{k} \cdot \vec{E}_0) \vec{E}_0 - k^2 \vec{E}_0 &= -(\omega/c)^2 \mu \epsilon \vec{E}_0 \\
 \stackrel{=0}{=} &\leftarrow \text{from Eq. (1)} \\
 \Rightarrow k^2 = \vec{k} \cdot \vec{k} &= (\omega/c)^2 \mu(\omega) \epsilon(\omega).
 \end{aligned}$$

a) Since \vec{k} is real-valued, and $\mu(\omega)$ and $\epsilon(\omega)$ are both real and positive, we have $k^2 = (\vec{k}' + i\vec{k}'') \cdot (\vec{k}' + i\vec{k}'') = k'^2 - k''^2 + 2i\vec{k}' \cdot \vec{k}'' = k'^2 = (\omega/c)^2 \mu(\omega) \epsilon(\omega)$

$$\Rightarrow k = |\vec{k}| = (\omega/c) \sqrt{\mu(\omega) \epsilon(\omega)}.$$

b) From Maxwell's first equation $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{E}_0 = 0$. Since \vec{k} is real-valued we have $\vec{k} \cdot (\vec{E}_0' + i\vec{E}_0'') = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{k} \cdot \vec{E}_0' = 0$ and $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{E}_0'' = 0$. Therefore, $\vec{k} \perp \vec{E}_0'$ and $\vec{k} \perp \vec{E}_0''$.

c) From Maxwell's fourth equation $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{H}_0 = 0$. Since \vec{k} is real-valued we have: $\vec{k} \cdot (\vec{H}_0' + i\vec{H}_0'') = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{k} \cdot \vec{H}_0' = 0$ and $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{H}_0'' = 0$. Therefore, $\vec{k} \perp \vec{H}_0'$ and $\vec{k} \perp \vec{H}_0''$.

d) From Maxwell's third equation $\vec{k} \times \vec{E}_0 = \omega \mu_0 \mu \vec{H}_0 \Rightarrow$ (since \vec{k} is real-valued and also because $\mu(\omega)$ is real-valued)

$$\vec{k} \times \vec{E}_0' + i\vec{k} \times \vec{E}_0'' = \omega \mu_0 \mu (\vec{H}_0' + i\vec{H}_0'') \Rightarrow$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} H_0' = \frac{\vec{k} \times \vec{E}_0'}{\omega \mu_0 \mu} \\ H_0'' = \frac{\vec{k} \times \vec{E}_0''}{\omega \mu_0 \mu} \end{array} \right. \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{Since } \vec{k} \perp \vec{E}_0' \\ \text{and also } \vec{k} \perp \vec{E}_0''}} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \vec{H}_0' \perp \vec{E}_0' \text{ and } H_0' = \frac{(\omega/c) \sqrt{\mu \epsilon}}{\omega \mu_0 \mu} E_0' = \frac{E_0'}{Z_0 \sqrt{\mu \epsilon}} \\ \vec{H}_0'' \perp \vec{E}_0'' \text{ and } H_0'' = \frac{E_0''}{Z_0 \sqrt{\mu \epsilon}} \end{array} \right.$$

e) $\vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) \times \vec{H}(\vec{r}, t) = [\vec{E}_0' \cos(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t) - \vec{E}_0'' \sin(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)] \times [\vec{H}_0' \cos(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t) - \vec{H}_0'' \sin(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)]$

$$= (\vec{E}_0' \times \vec{H}_0') \cos^2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t) + (\vec{E}_0'' \times \vec{H}_0'') \sin^2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t) - \frac{1}{2} (\vec{E}_0' \times \vec{H}_0'' + \vec{E}_0'' \times \vec{H}_0') \sin[2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)]$$

$$= \frac{E_0'^2}{\epsilon_0 \sqrt{\mu \epsilon}} \hat{k} \cos^2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t) + \frac{E_0''^2}{\epsilon_0 \sqrt{\mu \epsilon}} \hat{k} \sin^2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t) - \frac{\vec{E}_0' \cdot \vec{E}_0'' + \vec{E}_0'' \cdot \vec{E}_0'}{2 \epsilon_0 \sqrt{\mu \epsilon}} \hat{k} \sin[2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)].$$

Defining the real and positive refractive index $n(\omega) = \sqrt{\mu(\omega)\epsilon(\omega)}$, we can rewrite the above expression as follows:

$$\vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{\hat{k}}{2 \epsilon_0 \sqrt{\mu \epsilon}} \left\{ (E_0'^2 + E_0''^2) + (E_0'^2 - E_0''^2) \cos\left[2\omega\left(t - \frac{\hat{k} \cdot \vec{r}}{c}\right)\right] + 2 \vec{E}_0' \cdot \vec{E}_0'' \sin\left[2\omega\left(t - \frac{\hat{k} \cdot \vec{r}}{c}\right)\right] \right\}.$$

The energy propagates along the direction of the unit-vector $\hat{k} = \vec{k}/k$.

Problem 4) a) $\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = -\vec{\nabla}\psi - \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t} = -\text{Re} \left\{ i\psi_0 \vec{k} e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} - i\omega \vec{A}_0 e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \right\}$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = \text{Im} \left\{ (\psi_0 \vec{k} - \omega \vec{A}_0) e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \right\}.$$

b) $\vec{B}(\vec{r}, t) = \mu_0 \mu(\omega) \vec{H}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}(\vec{r}, t) = \text{Re} \left\{ i \vec{k} \times \vec{A}_0 e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \right\} \Rightarrow$

$$\vec{H}(\vec{r}, t) = -\frac{1}{\mu_0 \mu(\omega)} \text{Im} \left\{ \vec{k} \times \vec{A}_0 e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \right\}.$$

c) 1) $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D}(\vec{r}, t) = \rho_{\text{free}}(\vec{r}, t) = 0 \Rightarrow \epsilon_0 \epsilon \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = 0 \Rightarrow \text{Im} \left\{ i \vec{k} \cdot (\psi_0 \vec{k} - \omega \vec{A}_0) e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \right\} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{k} \cdot (\psi_0 \vec{k} - \omega \vec{A}_0) = 0 \Rightarrow k^2 \psi_0 = \omega \vec{k} \cdot \vec{A}_0$$

2) $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{J}_{\text{free}} + \frac{\partial \vec{D}(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t} \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{\mu_0 \mu(\omega)} \text{Im} \left\{ i \vec{k} \times (\vec{k} \times \vec{A}_0) e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \right\} =$

$$\epsilon_0 \epsilon(\omega) \text{Im} \left\{ -i\omega (\psi_0 \vec{k} - \omega \vec{A}_0) e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \right\} \Rightarrow$$

$$\text{Re} \left\{ [\vec{k} \times (\vec{k} \times \vec{A}_0) - \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \mu(\omega) \epsilon(\omega) \omega (\psi_0 \vec{k} - \omega \vec{A}_0)] e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \right\} = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{A}_0) \vec{k} - k^2 \vec{A}_0 - (\omega/c^2) \mu(\omega) \epsilon(\omega) \psi_0 \vec{k} + (\omega^2/c^2) \mu(\omega) \epsilon(\omega) \vec{A}_0 = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$(k^2 \psi_0 / \omega) \vec{k} - (\omega/c^2) \mu(\omega) \epsilon(\omega) \psi_0 \vec{k} = [k^2 - (\omega/c^2) \mu(\omega) \epsilon(\omega)] \vec{A}_0 \Rightarrow$$

$$[k^2 - (\omega/c)^2 \mu(\omega) \epsilon(\omega)] (\psi_0 / \omega) \vec{k} = [k^2 - (\omega/c)^2 \mu(\omega) \epsilon(\omega)] \vec{A}_0$$

using the result obtained above

The last equation is valid for the component of \vec{A}_0 parallel to \vec{k} . To see this, multiply both sides with \vec{k} and compare with the result obtained from Maxwell's 1st equation earlier. However, for any component of \vec{A}_0 that is not parallel to \vec{k} , the only way the equation can be satisfied is if $k^2 = (\omega/c)^2 \mu(\omega) \epsilon(\omega)$.

$$3) \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \Rightarrow \text{Im} \{ i \vec{k} \times (\psi_0 \vec{k} - \omega \vec{A}_0) e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \} = -\text{Re} \{ (-i\omega) i (\vec{k} \times \vec{A}_0) e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Re} \{ [\vec{k} \times (\psi_0 \vec{k} - \omega \vec{A}_0) + \omega (\vec{k} \times \vec{A}_0)] e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \} = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\vec{k} \times (\psi_0 \vec{k} - \omega \vec{A}_0) + \omega \vec{k} \times \vec{A}_0 = 0 \Rightarrow \psi_0 (\vec{k} \times \vec{k}) - \omega \vec{k} \times \vec{A}_0 + \omega \vec{k} \times \vec{A}_0 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

Maxwell's 3rd equation is thus automatically satisfied by the choice of $\psi(\vec{r}, t)$ and $\vec{A}(\vec{r}, t)$.

$$4) \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t) = 0 \Rightarrow \text{Re} \{ (i \vec{k}) \cdot (i \vec{k} \times \vec{A}_0) e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{k} \cdot (\vec{k} \times \vec{A}_0) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\vec{k} \times \vec{k}) \cdot \vec{A}_0 = 0 \quad \leftarrow \text{Automatically satisfied.}$$

Thus, to satisfy all four equations of Maxwell, we must have $k^2 = (\omega/c)^2 \mu(\omega) \epsilon(\omega)$

and $k^2 \psi_0 = \omega \vec{k} \cdot \vec{A}_0$. The latter requirement may also be written as $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{A}_0 = (\frac{\omega}{c^2}) \mu(\omega) \epsilon(\omega) \psi_0$.

$$d) \text{ Lorenz gauge: } \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A}(\vec{r}, t) + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi(\vec{r}, t) = 0 \Rightarrow \text{Re} \{ i \vec{k} \cdot \vec{A}_0 e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \} +$$

$$\frac{1}{c^2} \text{Re} \{ -i \omega \psi_0 e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \} = 0 \Rightarrow \text{Re} \{ i (\vec{k} \cdot \vec{A}_0 - \frac{\omega}{c^2} \psi_0) e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{k} \cdot \vec{A}_0 - (\frac{\omega}{c^2}) \psi_0 = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{k} \cdot \vec{A}_0 = (\frac{\omega}{c^2}) \psi_0 \quad \leftarrow \text{Required for the Lorenz gauge.}$$

It is thus seen that the Lorenz gauge is not generally satisfied. Exceptions

occur when $\mu(\omega) \epsilon(\omega) = 1$, or when $\psi_0 = 0$.