

The electric fields of two EM waves in vacuum are both described by:

$$\mathbf{E} = E_0 \sin(kx - \omega t)\hat{y}$$

The "wave number" k of wave 1 is larger than that of wave 2, $k_1 > k_2$. Which wave has the larger frequency f ?

- A. Wave 1
- B. Wave 2
- C. impossible to tell

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Projects graded! Sync to see your detailed grades.
- Projected grades sent out
- Homework 9 will be posted by tomorrow morning (Apologies, I'm jet lagged)

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Is the reflected wave in phase with the incident wave?

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In matter we have,

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} &= \rho_f & \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} &= 0 \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{E} &= -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} & \nabla \times \mathbf{H} &= \mathbf{J}_f + \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t}\end{aligned}$$

with

$$\mathbf{D} = \epsilon_0 \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{P} \quad \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{B}/\mu_0 - \mathbf{M}$$

If there are no free charges or current, is $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0$?

- A. Yes, always
- B. Yes, under certain conditions (what are they?)
- C. No, in general this will not be true
- D. ??

In linear dielectrics, $\mathbf{D} = \epsilon_0 \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{P} = \epsilon \mathbf{E}$. In a linear dielectric is $\epsilon > \epsilon_0$?

- A. Yes, always
- B. No, never
- C. Sometimes, it depends on the details of the dielectric.

In a non-magnetic, linear dielectric,

$$v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\epsilon_r\epsilon_0}} = \frac{c}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}}$$

How does v compare to c ?

- A. $v > c$ always
- B. $v < c$ always
- C. It depends