



SKIN DEPTH



Skin depth

The medium 1 is perfect dielectric ($\sigma_1 = 0$) and medium 2 is perfectly conducting ($\sigma_2 = \infty$).

$$\therefore \eta_1 = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_1}{\epsilon_1}}$$

$$\eta_2 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_1 &= \sqrt{(j\omega\mu_1)(j\omega\epsilon_1)} \\ &= j\omega\sqrt{\mu_1\epsilon_1} = j\beta_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Gamma = -1$$

and $T = 0$

Hence the wave is not transmitted to medium 2, it gets reflected entirely from the interface to the medium 1.

$$\therefore \vec{E}_1(z) = E_{i0} e^{-j\beta_1 z} \hat{a}_x - E_{i0} e^{j\beta_1 z} \hat{a}_x = -2jE_{i0} \sin \beta_1 z \hat{a}_x$$

&

$$\vec{E}_1(z, t) = \text{Re} \left[-2jE_{i0} \sin \beta_1 z e^{j\omega t} \right] \hat{a}_x = 2E_{i0} \sin \beta_1 z \sin \omega t \hat{a}_x$$

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Proceeding in the same manner for the magnetic field in region 1, we can show that,

$$\vec{H}_1(z, t) = \hat{a}_y \frac{2E_{i0}}{\eta_1} \cos \beta_1 z \cos \omega t$$

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The wave in medium 1 thus becomes a **standing wave** due to the super position of a forward travelling wave and a backward travelling wave. For a given 't', both \vec{E}_1 and \vec{H}_1 vary sinusoidally with distance measured from $z = 0$. This is shown in figure

