

731 Homework #2

70 pts total

Due September 18, 2006

- (10) 1. derive equation 1.40 and 1.41
- (30) 2. A&M, problem 1.4 "Helicon Waves"
- (30) 3. A&M, problem 1.5 "Surface Plasmons"

HW#2 [Total 70 pts]

1) derive Eq. 1.40 and 1.41

(10 pts)

$$\omega_p^2 = \frac{4\pi n e^2}{m}$$

Solution
schematic

$$n = \frac{1}{\frac{4}{3}\pi r_s^3}$$

insert n into expression for ω_p^2

take square root

divide by 2π

$$\Rightarrow v_p = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{3e^2}{m a_0^3}} \left(\frac{r_s}{a_0}\right)^{-3/2}}{2\pi}$$

$$e = 4.8032 \times 10^{-10} \text{ esu}$$

$$a_0 = .529 \times 10^{-8} \text{ cm}$$

$$m = 9.1094 \times 10^{-28} \text{ g}$$

plug in e , m , a_0

$$\Rightarrow v_p = 11.4 \times \left(\frac{r_s}{a_0}\right)^{-3/2} \times 10^{15} \text{ Hz}$$

$$\lambda_p = \frac{c}{v_p} = .26 \left(\frac{r_s}{a_0}\right)^{3/2} \times 10^3 \text{ \AA}$$

HW#2

2 AM 1.4

Helicon Waves
(30 pts)solution
sketch

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(a) (8 pts) start with

$$\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = -e(\vec{E} + \frac{\vec{p}}{mc} \times \vec{H}) - \frac{\nabla V}{\tau}$$

$$\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = -i\omega\vec{p}$$

get x and y components

$$-i\omega p_x = -eE_x - \omega_c p_y - \frac{p_x}{\tau}$$

$$-i\omega p_y = -eE_y + \omega_c p_x - \frac{p_y}{\tau}$$

$$p_z = 0$$

$$\text{use } E_y = \pm iE_x$$

 \Rightarrow plug in and solve to find

$$p_y = \pm i p_x$$

then solve for p_x in terms of E_x

$$\Rightarrow p_x = \frac{-e\tau}{1 - i(\omega \mp \omega_c)\tau} E_x$$

Then $\vec{j} = -\frac{ne}{m} \vec{p}$

②

$$\Rightarrow j_x = \frac{\left[\frac{ne^2 \tau}{m} \right] \sigma_0}{1 - i(\omega \mp \omega_c) \tau} E_x$$

and $j_y = \pm i j_x \quad j_z = 0$

(b)
(8 pts)

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = 0 \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{H} = 0$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{d\vec{H}}{dt}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{d\vec{E}}{dt}$$

$$\Rightarrow -\nabla^2 \vec{E} = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \left(1 + \frac{4\pi \chi(\omega)}{\omega} \right) \vec{E}$$

let $E_x = E_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)}$

use $j_x = \frac{\sigma_0}{1 - i(\omega \mp \omega_c) \tau} E_x$

with 2 components (x+y) of σ

get $-\frac{d^2}{dz^2} E_x = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \left(1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2} \frac{1}{\omega \mp \omega_c + i/\tau} \right) E_x$

plus $n E_x$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 c^2 = \epsilon \omega^2 \quad \epsilon = 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega} \left(\frac{1}{\omega \mp \omega_c + i/\tau} \right)$$

same for $E_y = E_0' e^{i(\omega z - \omega t)}$

$$E_y = \frac{E_0'}{E_0} E_x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(\pm i)}{\left(\frac{E_0'}{E_0}\right)} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{E_0'}{E_0} = \pm i$$

(c) $\omega_c \tau \gg 1 \Rightarrow$
(7 pts)

$$\epsilon(\omega) = 1 + \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega(\omega_c - \omega)}$$

at $\omega = \omega_p$

$$\epsilon = 1 + \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega_p(\omega_c - \omega_p)}$$

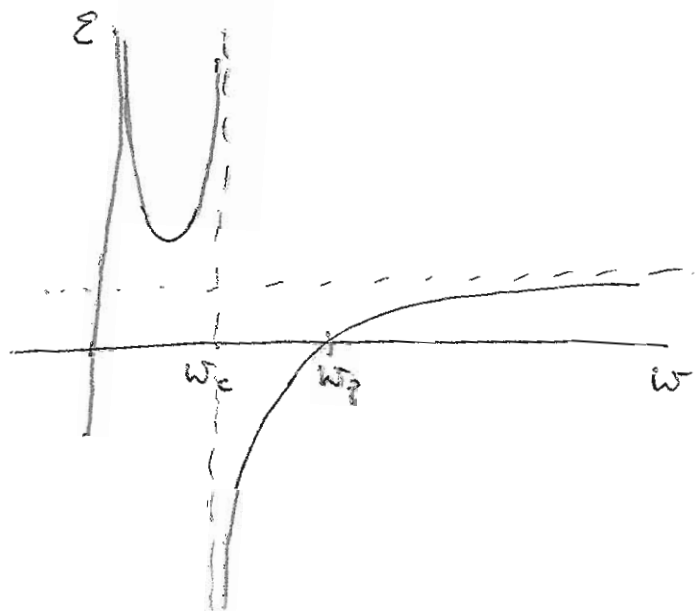
$$= \frac{\omega_p(\omega_c - \omega_p) + \omega_p^2}{\omega_p(\omega_c - \omega_p)}$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{\omega_p \omega_c}{\omega_p(\omega_c - \omega_p)}$$

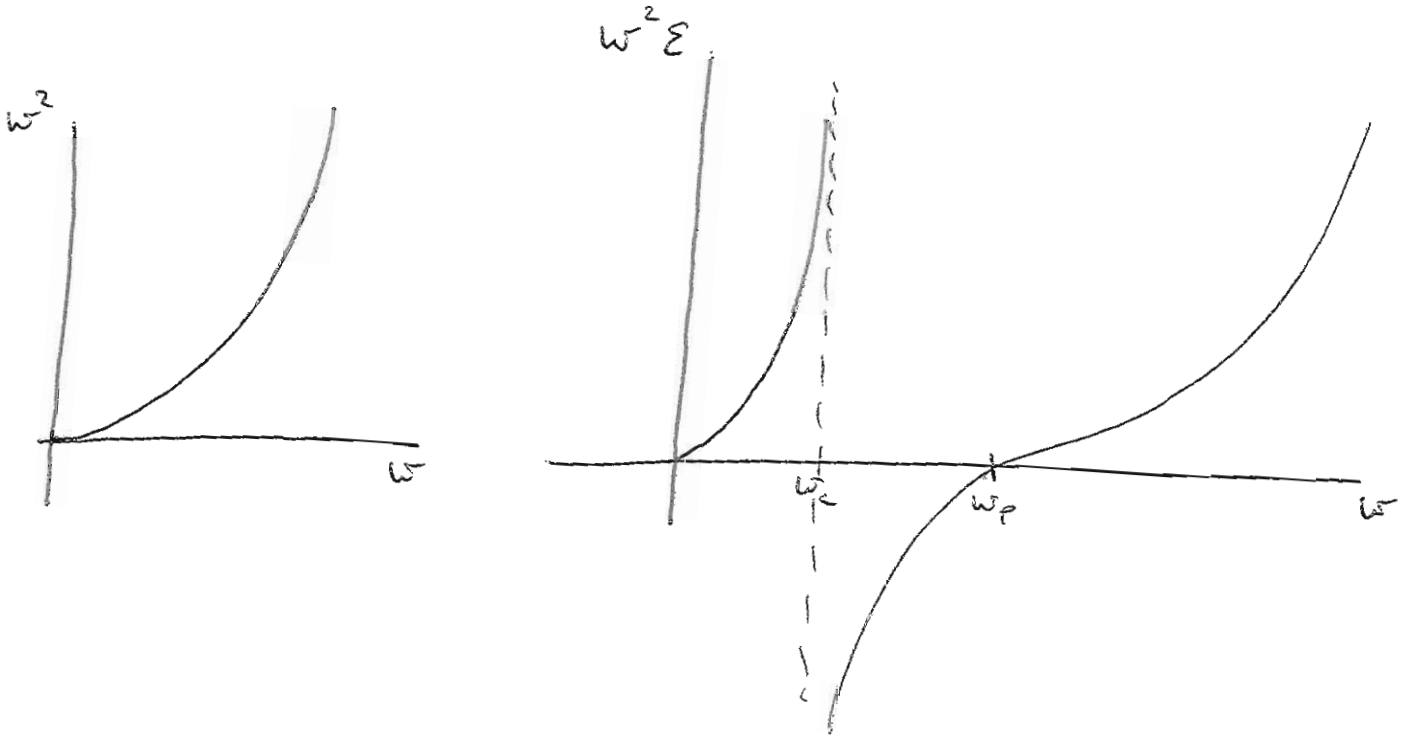
$$\epsilon = \frac{\omega_c}{\omega_c - \omega_p}$$

but for high field $\omega_p \gg \omega_c$

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon = 0$$



$$\omega^2 \epsilon = \omega^2 + \frac{\omega \omega_p^2}{(\omega_c - \omega)}$$



\Rightarrow for $\omega < \omega_c$ or $\omega > \omega_p$

$$k^2 c^2 = \epsilon \omega^2 = \text{any positive value}$$

\Rightarrow always a solution for k

$$k = \frac{\omega}{c} \sqrt{\epsilon}$$

d) (7pts)

$$\omega \ll \omega_c$$

low frequency solution

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and for $\omega_c \tau \gg 1$

$$k^2 c^2 = \omega^2 + \frac{\omega \omega_p^2}{\omega_c}$$

$$k^2 c^2 = \frac{\omega \omega_p^2}{\omega_c} \left(1 + \frac{\omega \omega_c}{\omega_p^2} \right)$$

$$k^2 c^2 \approx \frac{\omega \omega_p^2}{\omega_c}$$

$$\omega = \frac{\omega_c}{\omega_p^2} k^2 c^2$$

for $\lambda = 1 \text{ cm}$

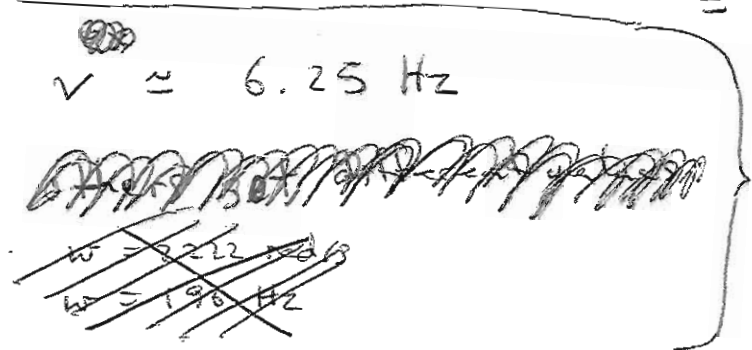
$$B = 10 \text{ kG} = 10^4 \text{ G}$$

$$\omega = \frac{\frac{e H}{m c}}{4 \pi n e^2} \left(\frac{2 \pi}{\lambda} \right)^2 c^2 = \frac{\pi H c}{\lambda^2 n e}$$

use typical $n = 5 \times 10^{22} / \text{cm}^3 \Rightarrow \omega = \frac{\pi (10^4 \text{ G})(3 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm/s})}{(1 \text{ cm})^2 (5 \times 10^{22} / \text{cm}^3) (4.8 \times 10^{-10})}$
 $= 39 \text{ rad/s}$

$\Rightarrow \nu \approx 6.25 \text{ Hz}$

$\Rightarrow f = 6.25 \text{ Hz}$



3. AM 1.5 Surface Plasmons (30pts)

$$\epsilon(\omega) = 1 + \frac{4\pi i \sigma}{\omega}$$

$$\sigma(\omega) = \frac{\sigma_0}{1 - i\omega\tau} \quad \sigma_0 = \frac{ne^2\tau}{m}$$

\vec{E}_{\parallel} continuous

$(\epsilon \vec{E})_{\perp}$ continuous

(10) (a)
pts

Find 3 equations relating q , K , K' as functions of ω

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} q^2 - K^2 = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \epsilon \\ q^2 - K'^2 = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \\ K = -K' \epsilon \end{cases}$$

Note: we assume

$(\epsilon \vec{E})_{\perp}$ continuous

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = 0$$

$$\vec{\nabla} = \frac{d}{dx} \hat{x} + \frac{d}{dy} \hat{y} + \frac{d}{dz} \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{E} = E_x \hat{x} + E_y \hat{y} + E_z \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{d}{dx} E_x + \frac{d}{dy} E_y + \frac{d}{dz} E_z = 0$$

$$A i g e^{i g x - k z} + 0 - k B e^{i g x - k z} = 0$$

$$\boxed{A i g = k B}$$

also

$$\boxed{C i g = -k' D}$$

$$\frac{A i g}{C i g} = \frac{k B}{-k' D}$$

but $A = C$ and $e B = D$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = \frac{k}{-k' e}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{k = -k' e}$$

$z > 0$

$$-\nabla^2 E_x = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \epsilon E_x$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha g)^2 E_x + (-k)^2 E_x = k^2 - g^2 E_x$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{g^2 - k^2 = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \epsilon}$$

$z < 0$

$$-\nabla^2 E_x = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} E_x$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{g^2 - k'^2 = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2}}$$

b)
(10 pts)

assuming $\omega T \gg 1$, plot $g^2 c^2$ vs. ω^2

$$\omega T \gg 1 \Rightarrow \epsilon(\omega) = 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}$$

$$\omega_p^2 = \frac{4\pi n e^2}{m}$$

$$\star^1 \quad g^2 c^2 - k^2 c^2 = \omega^2 \epsilon$$

$$\star^2 \quad g^2 c^2 - k'^2 c^2 = \omega^2$$

$$\rightarrow g^2 c^2 - \frac{k^2}{\epsilon^2} c^2 = \omega^2$$

$$\star^2 \rightarrow g^2 c^2 \epsilon^2 - k^2 c^2 = \omega^2 \epsilon^2$$

$$\star^1 - \star^2 = g^2 c^2 (1 - \epsilon^2) = \omega^2 (\epsilon - \epsilon^2)$$

$$\rightarrow g^2 c^2 = \frac{\omega^2 \epsilon (1 - \epsilon)}{(1 + \epsilon)(1 - \epsilon)}$$

$$g^2 c^2 = \frac{\omega^2 \epsilon}{1 + \epsilon}$$

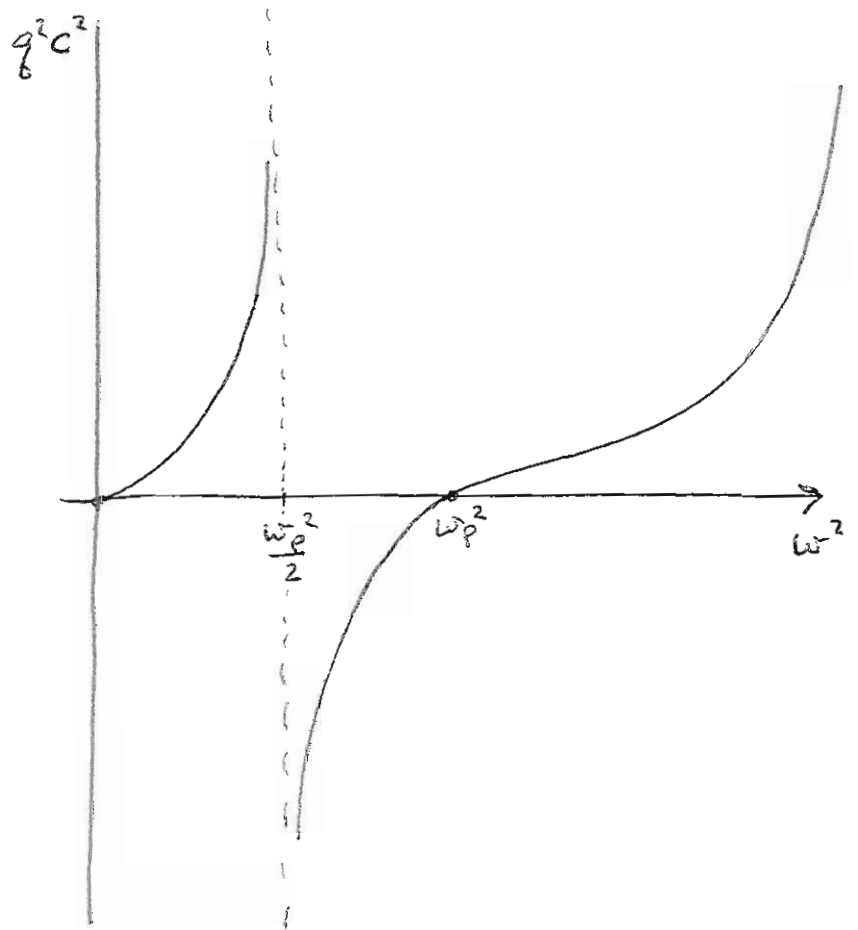
$$= \frac{\omega^2 (1 - \omega_p^2/\omega^2)}{2 - \omega_p^2/\omega^2}$$

$$\boxed{g^2 c^2 = \frac{\omega^2 (\omega^2 - \omega_p^2)}{2\omega^2 - \omega_p^2}}$$

$$g^2 c^2 = \frac{\omega^2 (\omega^2 - \omega_p^2)}{2\omega^2 - \omega_p^2}$$

$$\text{at } \omega = 0 \Rightarrow g^2 c^2 = \frac{0(-\omega_p^2)}{-\omega_p^2} = 0$$

$$\text{at } \omega = \omega_p \Rightarrow g^2 c^2 = \frac{\omega_p^2(0)}{\omega_p^2} = 0$$



(c)
(10pts)

limit $g c \gg \omega$

$$\text{or } \omega \ll g c$$

$$\text{or } \omega^2 \ll g^2 c^2$$

Show there is a solution at $\omega = \omega_p / \sqrt{2}$

show that the wave is confined to the surface,

Describe its polarization

→ surface plasmon

from the graph in (b), there is a solution

at $\omega^2 = \frac{\omega_p^2}{2} - \delta$ in which $g^2 c^2 \gg \omega^2$

$$\Rightarrow \omega \approx \frac{\omega_p}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \epsilon &= 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2} = 1 - \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= 1 - 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\epsilon = -1}$$

(c) cont.

$$E = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{K = K'}$$

then

$$g^2 c^2 - K^2 c^2 = \omega^2 (-1)$$

and

$$g^2 c^2 - K'^2 c^2 = \omega^2$$

~~but $g^2 c^2 \gg \omega^2$~~

$\Rightarrow g^2 c^2 + \omega^2 = K^2 c^2$

but $g^2 c^2 \gg \omega^2$

$$\Rightarrow g^2 c^2 \simeq K^2 c^2$$

at $\omega^2 = \frac{\omega_p^2}{2} - \delta$, $g^2 c^2$ is $\gg 0$

$$\Rightarrow K^2 c^2 \gg 0 \text{ approaching } \infty$$

$$\Rightarrow K^2 c^2 \sim \infty$$

$$\Rightarrow K \sim \infty \text{ or very large}$$

e^{-Kz} with K large \Rightarrow surface confinement

similarly since

$$K^2 = k$$

$$e^{K^2 z} \quad \text{with large } K^2 \text{ and } z(-)$$

⇒ surface confinement

polarization

$$z=0^+ \quad \frac{E_z}{E_x} = \frac{B}{A}$$

$$H_y = H_0 e^{i\beta x} e^{-Kz}$$

must use

$$\vec{H} = H_y \hat{y}$$

no x or z

$$\frac{i\omega}{c} \nabla \times \vec{H} = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \epsilon \vec{E}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ \frac{d}{dx} & \frac{d}{dy} & \frac{d}{dz} \\ H_x & H_y & H_z \end{vmatrix} = \left(\frac{d}{dy} H_z - \frac{d}{dz} H_y \right) \hat{x} + \left(\frac{d}{dx} H_z - \frac{d}{dz} H_x \right) \hat{z}$$
$$= -\frac{d}{dz} H_y \hat{x} + \frac{d}{dx} H_y \hat{z}$$

$$\frac{i\omega}{c} \left(-\frac{d}{dz} H_y \right) = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \epsilon E_x$$

$$\boxed{\frac{i\omega K}{c} H_y = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \epsilon E_x}$$

and

$$\frac{i\omega}{c} \left(\frac{d}{dx} H_y \right) = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \epsilon E_z$$

$$\boxed{-\frac{i\omega}{c} H_y = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \epsilon E_z}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{E_z}{E_x} = \frac{-q\omega/c}{i\omega k/c} = -\frac{q}{ik} = \boxed{i \frac{q}{k}}$$

$z = 0^-$ Same except

$$\frac{E_z}{E_x} = \frac{-iq}{k'}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{E_z}{E_x} &= i \sqrt{\frac{q^2 c^2}{k^2 c^2}} \\ &= i \sqrt{\frac{\omega^2 (\omega^2 - \omega_p^2)}{2\omega^2 - \omega_p^2} \cdot \frac{\omega^2 (2\omega^2 - \omega_p^2) + \omega^2 (\omega^2 - \omega_p^2)}{2\omega^2 - \omega_p^2}} \\ &= i \sqrt{\frac{\omega^4 - \omega^2 \omega_p^2}{3\omega^4 - 2\omega^2 \omega_p^2}} \\ &= i \sqrt{\frac{\omega^2 - \omega_p^2}{3\omega^2 - 2\omega_p^2}} \quad \omega^2 = \frac{\omega_p^2}{2} \\ &= i \sqrt{\frac{-\omega_p^2/2}{-\frac{1}{2}\omega_p^2}} \\ \frac{E_z}{E_x} &= i \end{aligned}$$

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$$e^{j\theta} = \cos\theta + j\sin\theta$$

$$e^{j\pi/2} = 0 + j$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{E_z}{E_x} = e^{j\frac{\pi}{2}} = \frac{B}{A}$$

$\Rightarrow 90^\circ$ out of phase

(circular)

\Rightarrow ~~000000~~ polarization

Since

$$E_x = A e^{jg x} e^{-kz} \quad E_z = A e^{j(gx + \frac{\pi}{2})} e^{-kz}$$

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$$z=0: \frac{E_z}{E_x} = -j \frac{g}{k'} = -j \frac{g}{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{E_z}{E_x} = -j$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{E_z}{E_x} = e^{-j\frac{\pi}{2}}$$

$\Rightarrow 90^\circ$ out of phase \Rightarrow circular polarization