

Note for reflection phase in case of total reflection

(1) Transfer matrix of layered media

TE wave

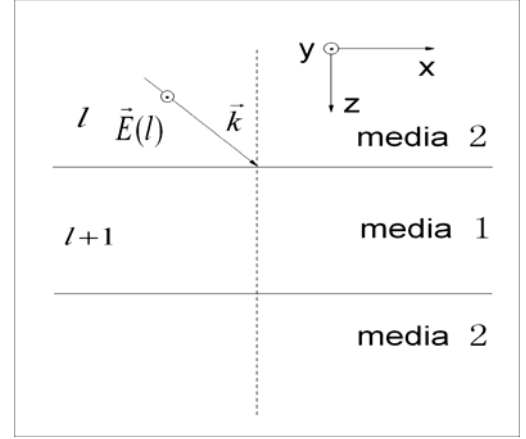
Electric and magnetic field must be

continuous at interfaces:

$$E_+(l) + E_-(l) = E_+(l+1) + E_-(l+1)$$

$$H_x(l) = H_x(l+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow -E_+(l) + E_-(l) = \frac{k_z(l+1)\mu_{xx}(l)}{k_z(l)\mu_{xx}(l+1)} [-E_+(l+1) + E_-(l+1)]$$



Fields at interfaces can be connected by a transfer matrix :

$$\begin{pmatrix} E_+(l+1) \\ E_-(l+1) \end{pmatrix} = M^{l,l+1} \begin{pmatrix} E_+(l) \\ E_-(l) \end{pmatrix}$$

The transfer matrix is :

$$M^{l,l+1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \Delta & 1 - \Delta \\ 1 - \Delta & 1 + \Delta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Delta = \frac{k_z(l)\mu_{xx}(l+1)}{k_z(l+1)\mu_{xx}(l)}$$

$$\text{Where } k_z = \sqrt{\epsilon_l \mu_l \left(\frac{\omega}{c}\right)^2 - \beta^2} = \left(\frac{\omega}{c}\right) \sqrt{\epsilon_l \mu_l (1 - \sin^2 \theta)} = k_l \cos \theta$$

For the special case of normal incidence,

$$\Delta = \frac{\sqrt{\epsilon_l \mu_l \mu_{l+1}}}{\sqrt{\epsilon_{l+1} \mu_{l+1} \mu_l}} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_{l+1}}{\epsilon_{l+1} \mu_l}} = \frac{Z_{l+1}}{Z_l}$$

$$M^{l,l+1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \frac{Z_{l+1}}{Z_L} & 1 - \frac{Z_{l+1}}{Z_L} \\ 1 - \frac{Z_{l+1}}{Z_L} & 1 + \frac{Z_{l+1}}{Z_L} \end{pmatrix}$$

For oblique incidence at single interface:

$$\begin{pmatrix} t \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = M^{l,l+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ r \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \Delta & 1 - \Delta \\ 1 - \Delta & 1 + \Delta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ r \end{pmatrix}$$

$$r = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_1}{\mu_1}} k_{z1} - \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_2}{\mu_2}} k_{z2}}{\sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_1}{\mu_1}} k_{z1} + \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_2}{\mu_2}} k_{z2}} = \frac{Z_2 \cos \theta_1 - Z_1 \cos \theta_2}{Z_2 \cos \theta_1 + Z_1 \cos \theta_2} .$$

TM wave:

Because all the results for TE and TM wave are reciprocal, except for that

ϵ and μ are reverse. We can obtain the result of TM mode.

$$M^{l,l+1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \Delta & 1 - \Delta \\ 1 - \Delta & 1 + \Delta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Delta = \frac{k_z(l) \epsilon_{xx}(l+1)}{k_z(l+1) \epsilon_{xx}(l)} .$$

$$r = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{\mu_1}{\epsilon_1}} k_{z1} - \sqrt{\frac{\mu_2}{\epsilon_2}} k_{z2}}{\sqrt{\frac{\mu_1}{\epsilon_1}} k_{z1} + \sqrt{\frac{\mu_2}{\epsilon_2}} k_{z2}} = \frac{Z_1 \cos \theta_1 - Z_2 \cos \theta_2}{Z_1 \cos \theta_1 + Z_2 \cos \theta_2} .$$

(2) reflection phase of total reflection.

We can see that for partial reflection r is real, indicating that there is no phase shift between incident wave and reflected wave.

TE mode:

we denote that $\kappa = \sqrt{\varepsilon_1 \mu_1 \left(\frac{\omega}{c}\right)^2 - \beta^2} = k_i \cos \theta_i$, for total

reflection $\varepsilon_2 \mu_2 \left(\frac{\omega}{c}\right)^2 - \beta^2 < 0, \gamma = \sqrt{\beta^2 - \varepsilon_2 \mu_2 \left(\frac{\omega}{c}\right)^2}$, the

expression “ r ” became:

$$r = \frac{\frac{\mu_2 \kappa}{i \mu_1 \gamma} - 1}{\frac{\mu_2 \kappa}{i \mu_1 \gamma} + 1} = \frac{\frac{i \mu_2 \kappa}{\mu_1 \gamma} + 1}{\frac{i \mu_2 \kappa}{\mu_1 \gamma} - 1} = \frac{\frac{\mu_1 \gamma}{\mu_2 \kappa} + i}{\frac{\mu_1 \gamma}{\mu_2 \kappa} - i} = \frac{(\frac{\mu_1 \gamma}{\mu_2 \kappa})^2 - 1 + 2 \frac{\mu_1 \gamma}{\mu_2 \kappa} i}{(\frac{\mu_1 \gamma}{\mu_2 \kappa})^2 + 1} = e^{i\theta}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2 \frac{\mu_1 \gamma}{\mu_2 \kappa}}{(\frac{\mu_1 \gamma}{\mu_2 \kappa})^2 - 1} \right) = -2 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\mu_1 \gamma}{\mu_2 \kappa} \right)$$

theta is the reflection phase, for regular material, theta has the range of (-180,0), it means that the wave has lost a certain phase while being reflected. for PEC, theta is -180, that's what is called “half wave lost”. for

PMC theta is 0.

However, for meta-material which $\mu_2 < 0$, we can obtain arbitrary reflection phase. For the special case of $\mu_2 \rightarrow 0^-$, $\theta \rightarrow 180$, this means we can get a “half wave” phase gain from reflection. That’s what we want in the cases of waveguides and resonators.

For normal incidence

$$\theta = -2 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{\frac{\mu_1}{\epsilon_1}}}{\sqrt{\frac{-\mu_2}{\epsilon_2}}} \right),$$

For TM wave we can achieve the reciprocal result.

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