

Additional notes on Cerenkov.

Calculating the fields when λ is imaginary.

Strictly, we need to recalculate the fields because the results we used are valid only for $\text{Re } \lambda > 0$. The result is unchanged through equation (18). Then suppose $\lambda = i\mu$ where $\mu = \frac{\omega}{v} \sqrt{\beta^2 \varepsilon - 1}$ and μ is real.

First note what happens to the integral over k_z . The result is unchanged if $|k_y| > \mu$. But if $|k_y| < \mu$ we have

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dk_z}{k_y^2 + k_z^2 - \mu^2} = 2 \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{dk_z}{k_z^2 - (\mu^2 - k_y^2)}$$

we integrate by letting $k_z = \sqrt{\mu^2 - k_y^2} \cosh \theta$.

$$\begin{aligned} I &= 2 \int \frac{\sqrt{\mu^2 - k_y^2} \sinh \theta d\theta}{(\mu^2 - k_y^2) (\sinh^2 \theta)} = 2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu^2 - k_y^2}} \int \frac{\sinh \theta}{1 - \cosh^2 \theta} d\theta \\ &= \frac{-2}{\sqrt{\mu^2 - k_y^2}} \frac{1}{2} \int \left(\frac{\sinh \theta}{\cosh \theta - 1} - \frac{\sinh \theta}{\cosh \theta + 1} \right) d\theta \\ &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu^2 - k_y^2}} \ln \left(\frac{\cosh \theta - 1}{\cosh \theta + 1} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Putting in the limits for k_z , we have

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \frac{-1}{\sqrt{\mu^2 - k_y^2}} \ln \frac{k_z - \sqrt{\mu^2 - k_y^2}}{k_z + \sqrt{\mu^2 - k_y^2}} \Big|_0^\infty \\ &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu^2 - k_y^2}} [\ln 1 - \ln(-1)] = \frac{0 \pm i\pi}{\sqrt{\mu^2 - k_y^2}} \quad k_y < \mu \end{aligned}$$

Note that the sign here depends on the branch we take for the log function.

Then for E_y we need (notes 3 page 11)

$$E_y = \frac{-i}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \frac{2Ze}{\varepsilon v} \left\{ \left(\int_{-\infty}^{-\mu} + \int_{\mu}^{+\infty} \right) dk_y \frac{\pi k_y}{\sqrt{\lambda^2 + k_y^2}} \exp(ik_y) + \int_{-\mu}^{+\mu} dk_y \frac{\pm i\pi k_y}{\sqrt{\mu^2 - k_y^2}} \exp(ik_y) \right\}$$

The term in curly brackets is

$$\frac{\{ \}}{\pi} = 2i \int_{\mu}^{+\infty} dk_y \frac{k_y \sin(bk_y)}{\sqrt{k_y^2 - \mu^2}} \pm i(2i) \int_0^{\mu} dk_y \frac{k_y \sin(bk_y)}{\sqrt{\mu^2 - k_y^2}}$$

These two pieces are in GR: 3.771 # 10 and # 11 with $a = b$ and $v = 0$. Thus

$$\frac{\{\}}{\pi} = 2\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}\mu \left[\mp \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) J_1(b\mu) + i \lim_{\nu \rightarrow 0} \Gamma\left(\nu + \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(\frac{2\mu}{b}\right)^\nu N_{-\nu-1}(b\mu) \right]$$

Using the result that $N_{-m}(x) = (-1)^m N_m(x)$ and $\Gamma(1/2) = \sqrt{\pi}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \{\} &= \pi^2 \mu \left[\mp J_1(b\mu) + i \lim_{\nu \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Gamma(\nu + \frac{1}{2})}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{2\mu}{b}\right)^\nu N_{-\nu-1}(b\mu) \right] \\ &= \mp \pi^2 \mu [J_1(b\mu) \pm i N_1(b\mu)] \\ &= \mp \pi^2 \mu H_1^{(1,2)}(b\mu) \end{aligned}$$

For large argument, the Hankel functions also have exponential form, so we have (choosing H^1 for outgoing waves)

$$\begin{aligned} E_y &= \frac{i}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \frac{2Ze}{\varepsilon v} \pi^2 \mu H_1^{(1)}(b\mu) \\ &\rightarrow i \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{Ze}{\varepsilon v} \mu \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi b \mu}} \exp\left(i\left(b\mu - \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\right) \text{ for large } b\mu \\ &= \frac{Ze}{\varepsilon v} \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{b}} \exp\left(i\left(b\mu - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\right) \\ &= \frac{Ze}{\varepsilon v} \sqrt{\frac{\omega}{vb}} \sqrt{\beta^2 \varepsilon - 1} \exp\left(i\left(b\mu - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\right) \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Similarly for E_x we have (Notes 3 pg 12)

$$\frac{-i\omega}{(2\pi)^{1/2}} (1 - \beta^2 \varepsilon) \frac{Ze}{\varepsilon v^2} I$$

where this integral is

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \left(\int_{-\infty}^{-\mu} + \int_{\mu}^{\infty} \right) dk_y \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda^2 + k_y^2}} \exp(ik_y) + \int_{-\mu}^{+\mu} dk_y \frac{\mp i}{\sqrt{\mu^2 - k_y^2}} \exp(ik_y) \\ &= 2 \int_{\mu}^{+\infty} dk_y \frac{\cos bk_y}{\sqrt{k_y^2 - \mu^2}} \mp 2i \int_0^{\mu} dk_y \frac{\cos bk_y}{\sqrt{\mu^2 - k_y^2}} \end{aligned}$$

GR 3.771#8 and 9 to the rescue!

$$\begin{aligned} I &= 2\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}\Gamma(1/2) [\mp i J_0(b\mu) - N_0(b\mu)] \\ &= \mp i \pi [J_0(b\mu) \mp i N_0(b\mu)] \\ &= \pm i \pi H_0^{(1,2)}(b\mu) \end{aligned}$$

and then, choosing $H^{(1)}$ again,

$$\begin{aligned}
E_x &= \frac{i\omega}{(2\pi)^{1/2}} (\beta^2\varepsilon - 1) \frac{Ze}{\varepsilon v^2} i\pi H_0^{(1)}(b\mu) \\
&\rightarrow \frac{-\omega}{(2\pi)^{1/2}} (\beta^2\varepsilon - 1) \frac{Ze}{\varepsilon v^2} \pi \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi b\mu}} \exp\left[i\left(b\mu - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\right] \quad \text{for large } b\mu \\
&= -\omega (\beta^2\varepsilon - 1) \frac{Ze}{\varepsilon v^2} \sqrt{\frac{v}{b\omega\sqrt{\beta^2\varepsilon - 1}}} \exp\left(i\left(b\mu - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\right) \quad (2)
\end{aligned}$$

-and finally

$$\begin{aligned}
B_z &= \beta\varepsilon E_y \\
&= \beta \frac{Ze}{v} \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{b}} \exp\left(i\left(b\mu - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\right) \quad (3)
\end{aligned}$$

Transforming back, we can see the wave form:

$$\begin{aligned}
E_x(b, t) &= -\frac{Ze}{v^2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\omega}{\varepsilon} (\beta^2\varepsilon - 1) \sqrt{\frac{1}{b\mu}} \exp\left(i\left(b\mu - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\right) e^{-i\omega t} d\omega \\
&= -\frac{Ze}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\omega}{\varepsilon v} (\beta^2\varepsilon - 1) \sqrt{\frac{1}{b\mu}} \exp\left(i\left(b\mu - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\right) e^{-i\omega t} \frac{d\omega}{v}
\end{aligned}$$

Remember that $\mu = \frac{\omega}{v} \sqrt{\beta^2\varepsilon - 1}$ and ε also depends on ω . This expression shows the wave form through the exponential, and is dimensionally correct.

The Poynting flux is

$$\begin{aligned}
\vec{S} &= \frac{c}{4\pi} (-E_x B_z \hat{y} + E_y B_z \hat{x}) \\
&= \frac{c\beta\varepsilon}{4\pi} (-E_x E_y \hat{y} + E_y^2 \hat{x})
\end{aligned}$$

When we integrate to get the energy transmitted to large b we find (eqns2 and 1)

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{d\mathcal{E}}{dx} &= -\frac{c\beta}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varepsilon E_x(\omega) E_y^*(\omega) d\omega 2\pi b \\
&= \frac{c\beta}{2} b \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\omega (\beta^2\varepsilon - 1) \varepsilon \frac{Ze}{\varepsilon v^2} \sqrt{\frac{1}{b\mu}} \exp\left(i\left(b\mu - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\right) \right] \left[\pi \frac{Ze}{\varepsilon v} \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{b}} \exp\left(i\left(b\mu - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\right) \right]^* d\omega \\
&= \frac{v}{2} \frac{(Ze)^2}{v^3} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\omega}{\varepsilon} (\beta^2\varepsilon - 1) d\omega \\
&= \frac{(Ze)^2}{2c^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \omega \left(1 - \frac{1}{\beta^2\varepsilon}\right) d\omega
\end{aligned}$$

Note the result is real and positive, and agrees with eqn(22) in notes 3.