

## SOLUTION HW # 11

**Problem 7.19** Ignoring reflection at the air–soil boundary, if the amplitude of a 3-GHz incident wave is 10 V/m at the surface of a wet soil medium, at what depth will it be down to 1 mV/m? Wet soil is characterized by  $\mu_r = 1$ ,  $\epsilon_r = 9$ , and  $\sigma = 5 \times 10^{-4}$  S/m.

**Solution:**

$$E(z) = E_0 e^{-\alpha z} = 10 e^{-\alpha z},$$
$$\frac{\sigma}{\omega \epsilon} = \frac{5 \times 10^{-4} \times 36\pi}{2\pi \times 3 \times 10^9 \times 10^{-9} \times 9} = 3.32 \times 10^{-4}.$$

Hence, medium is a low-loss dielectric.

$$\alpha = \frac{\sigma}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\epsilon}} = \frac{\sigma}{2} \cdot \frac{120\pi}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}} = \frac{5 \times 10^{-4} \times 120\pi}{2 \times \sqrt{9}} = 0.032 \quad (\text{Np/m}),$$
$$10^{-3} = 10 e^{-0.032z}, \quad \ln 10^{-4} = -0.032z,$$
$$z = 287.82 \text{ m}.$$

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**Problem 7.21** Based on wave attenuation and reflection measurements conducted at 1 MHz, it was determined that the intrinsic impedance of a certain medium is  $28.1 \angle 45^\circ$  ( $\Omega$ ) and the skin depth is 2 m. Determine the following:

- The conductivity of the material.
- The wavelength in the medium.
- The phase velocity.

**Solution:**

(a) Since the phase angle of  $\eta_c$  is  $45^\circ$ , the material is a good conductor. Hence,

$$\eta_c = (1 + j) \frac{\alpha}{\sigma} = 28.1 e^{j45^\circ} = 28.1 \cos 45^\circ + j28.1 \sin 45^\circ,$$

or

$$\frac{\alpha}{\sigma} = 28.1 \cos 45^\circ = 19.87.$$

Since  $\alpha = 1/\delta_s = 1/2 = 0.5$  Np/m,

$$\sigma = \frac{\alpha}{19.87} = \frac{0.5}{19.87} = 2.52 \times 10^{-2} \text{ S/m}.$$

(b) Since  $\alpha = \beta$  for a good conductor, and  $\alpha = 0.5$ , it follows that  $\beta = 0.5$ . Therefore,

$$\lambda = \frac{2\pi}{\beta} = \frac{2\pi}{0.5} = 4\pi = 12.57 \text{ m}.$$

(c)  $u_p = f\lambda = 10^6 \times 12.57 = 1.26 \times 10^7$  m/s.

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**Problem 7.22** The electric field of a plane wave propagating in a nonmagnetic medium is given by

$$\mathbf{E} = \hat{\mathbf{z}}25e^{-30x}\cos(2\pi \times 10^9t - 40x) \quad (\text{V/m})$$

Obtain the corresponding expression for  $\mathbf{H}$ .

**Solution:** From the given expression for  $\mathbf{E}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}\omega &= 2\pi \times 10^9 \quad (\text{rad/s}), \\ \alpha &= 30 \quad (\text{Np/m}), \\ \beta &= 40 \quad (\text{rad/m}).\end{aligned}$$

From (7.65a) and (7.65b),

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha^2 - \beta^2 &= -\omega^2\mu\varepsilon' = -\omega^2\mu_0\varepsilon_0\varepsilon_r' = -\frac{\omega^2}{c^2}\varepsilon_r', \\ 2\alpha\beta &= \omega^2\mu\varepsilon'' = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2}\varepsilon_r''.\end{aligned}$$

Using the above values for  $\omega$ ,  $\alpha$ , and  $\beta$ , we obtain the following:

$$\begin{aligned}\varepsilon_r' &= 1.6, \\ \varepsilon_r'' &= 5.47, \\ \eta_c &= \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\varepsilon'}} \left(1 - j\frac{\varepsilon_r''}{\varepsilon_r'}\right)^{-1/2} \\ &= \frac{\eta_0}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_r'}} \left(1 - j\frac{\varepsilon_r''}{\varepsilon_r'}\right)^{-1/2} = \frac{377}{\sqrt{1.6}} \left(1 - j\frac{5.47}{1.6}\right)^{-1/2} = 157.9 e^{j36.85^\circ} \quad (\Omega), \\ \tilde{\mathbf{E}} &= \hat{\mathbf{z}}25e^{-30x}e^{-j40x}, \\ \tilde{\mathbf{H}} &= \frac{1}{\eta_c} \hat{\mathbf{k}} \times \tilde{\mathbf{E}} = \frac{1}{157.9 e^{j36.85^\circ}} \hat{\mathbf{x}} \times \hat{\mathbf{z}}25e^{-30x}e^{-j40x} = -\hat{\mathbf{y}}0.16 e^{-30x}e^{-40x}e^{-j36.85^\circ}, \\ \mathbf{H} &= \Re\{e^{j\omega t}\tilde{\mathbf{H}}\} = -\hat{\mathbf{y}}0.16 e^{-30x}\cos(2\pi \times 10^9t - 40x - 36.85^\circ) \quad (\text{A/m}).\end{aligned}$$

**Problem 7.26** The inner and outer conductors of a coaxial cable have radii of 0.5 cm and 1 cm, respectively. The conductors are made of copper with  $\varepsilon_r = 1$ ,  $\mu_r = 1$ , and  $\sigma = 5.8 \times 10^7$  S/m, and the outer conductor is 0.5 mm thick. At 10 MHz:

- Are the conductors thick enough to be considered infinitely thick as far as the flow of current through them is concerned?
- Determine the surface resistance  $R_s$ .
- Determine the ac resistance per unit length of the cable.

**Solution:**

- (a) From Eqs. (7.72) and (7.77b),

$$\delta_s = [\pi f\mu\sigma]^{-1/2} = [\pi \times 10^7 \times 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \times 5.8 \times 10^7]^{-1/2} = 0.021 \text{ mm}.$$

Hence,

$$\frac{d}{\delta_s} = \frac{0.5 \text{ mm}}{0.021 \text{ mm}} \approx 25.$$

Hence, conductor is plenty thick.

- (b) From Eq. (7.92a),

$$R_s = \frac{1}{\sigma\delta_s} = \frac{1}{5.8 \times 10^7 \times 2.1 \times 10^{-5}} = 8.2 \times 10^{-4} \Omega.$$

- (c) From Eq. (7.96),

$$R' = \frac{R_s}{2\pi} \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b}\right) = \frac{8.2 \times 10^{-4}}{2\pi} \left(\frac{1}{5 \times 10^{-3}} + \frac{1}{10^{-2}}\right) = 0.039 \quad (\Omega/\text{m}).$$

**Problem 7.29** The electric-field phasor of a uniform plane wave traveling downward in water is given by

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}} = \hat{\mathbf{x}} 5 e^{-0.2z} e^{-j0.2z} \quad (\text{V/m})$$

where  $\hat{\mathbf{z}}$  is the downward direction and  $z = 0$  is the water surface. If  $\sigma = 4 \text{ S/m}$ ,

- (a) Obtain an expression for the average power density.
- (b) Determine the attenuation rate.
- (c) Determine the depth at which the power density has been reduced by 40 dB.

**Solution:**

- (a) Since  $\alpha = \beta = 0.2$ , the medium is a good conductor.

$$\eta_c = (1 + j) \frac{\alpha}{\sigma} = (1 + j) \frac{0.2}{4} = (1 + j) 0.05 = 0.0707 e^{j45^\circ} \quad (\Omega).$$

From Eq. (7.109),

$$\mathbf{S}_{\text{av}} = \hat{\mathbf{z}} \frac{|E_0|^2}{2|\eta_c|} e^{-2\alpha z} \cos \theta_\eta = \hat{\mathbf{z}} \frac{25}{2 \times 0.0707} e^{-0.4z} \cos 45^\circ = \hat{\mathbf{z}} 125 e^{-0.4z} \quad (\text{W/m}^2).$$

- (b)  $A = -8.68\alpha z = -8.68 \times 0.2z = -1.74z \text{ (dB)}$ .
- (c) 40 dB is equivalent to  $10^{-4}$ . Hence,

$$10^{-4} = e^{-2\alpha z} = e^{-0.4z}, \quad \ln(10^{-4}) = -0.4z,$$

or  $z = 23.03 \text{ m}$ .

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**Problem 8.2** A plane wave traveling in medium 1 with  $\epsilon_{r1} = 2.25$  is normally incident upon medium 2 with  $\epsilon_{r2} = 4$ . Both media are made of nonmagnetic, non-conducting materials. If the electric field of the incident wave is given by

$$\mathbf{E}^i = \hat{\mathbf{y}}8 \cos(6\pi \times 10^9 t - 30\pi x) \quad (\text{V/m}).$$

- (a) Obtain time-domain expressions for the electric and magnetic fields in each of the two media.  
 (b) Determine the average power densities of the incident, reflected and transmitted waves.

**Solution:**

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}^i &= \hat{\mathbf{y}}8 \cos(6\pi \times 10^9 t - 30\pi x) \quad (\text{V/m}), \\ \eta_1 &= \frac{\eta_0}{\sqrt{\epsilon_{r1}}} = \frac{\eta_0}{\sqrt{2.25}} = \frac{\eta_0}{1.5} = \frac{377}{1.5} = 251.33 \, \Omega, \\ \eta_2 &= \frac{\eta_0}{\sqrt{\epsilon_{r2}}} = \frac{\eta_0}{\sqrt{4}} = \frac{377}{2} = 188.5 \, \Omega, \\ \Gamma &= \frac{\eta_2 - \eta_1}{\eta_2 + \eta_1} = \frac{1/2 - 1/1.5}{1/2 + 1/1.5} = -0.143, \\ \tau &= 1 + \Gamma = 1 - 0.143 = 0.857, \\ \mathbf{E}^r &= \Gamma \mathbf{E}^i = -1.14 \hat{\mathbf{y}} \cos(6\pi \times 10^9 t + 30\pi x) \quad (\text{V/m}). \end{aligned}$$

Note that the coefficient of  $x$  is positive, denoting the fact that  $\mathbf{E}^r$  belongs to a wave traveling in  $-x$ -direction.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}_1 &= \mathbf{E}^i + \mathbf{E}^r = \hat{\mathbf{y}}[8 \cos(6\pi \times 10^9 t - 30\pi x) - 1.14 \cos(6\pi \times 10^9 t + 30\pi x)] \quad (\text{A/m}), \\ \mathbf{H}^i &= \hat{\mathbf{z}} \frac{8}{\eta_1} \cos(6\pi \times 10^9 t - 30\pi x) = \hat{\mathbf{z}} 31.83 \cos(6\pi \times 10^9 t - 30\pi x) \quad (\text{mA/m}), \\ \mathbf{H}^r &= \hat{\mathbf{z}} \frac{1.14}{\eta_1} \cos(6\pi \times 10^9 t + 30\pi x) = \hat{\mathbf{z}} 4.54 \cos(6\pi \times 10^9 t + 30\pi x) \quad (\text{mA/m}), \\ \mathbf{H}_1 &= \mathbf{H}^i + \mathbf{H}^r \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{z}}[31.83 \cos(6\pi \times 10^9 t - 30\pi x) + 4.54 \cos(6\pi \times 10^9 t + 30\pi x)] \quad (\text{mA/m}). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $k_1 = \omega\sqrt{\mu\epsilon_1}$  and  $k_2 = \omega\sqrt{\mu\epsilon_2}$ ,

$$k_2 = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_2}{\epsilon_1}} k_1 = \sqrt{\frac{4}{2.25}} 30\pi = 40\pi \quad (\text{rad/m}),$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}_2 &= \mathbf{E}^t = \hat{\mathbf{y}}8\tau \cos(6\pi \times 10^9 t - 40\pi x) = \hat{\mathbf{y}}6.86 \cos(6\pi \times 10^9 t - 40\pi x) \quad (\text{V/m}), \\ \mathbf{H}_2 &= \mathbf{H}^t = \hat{\mathbf{z}} \frac{8\tau}{\eta_2} \cos(6\pi \times 10^9 t - 40\pi x) = \hat{\mathbf{z}} 36.38 \cos(6\pi \times 10^9 t - 40\pi x) \quad (\text{mA/m}). \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{S}_{\text{av}}^i &= \hat{\mathbf{x}} \frac{8^2}{2\eta_1} = \frac{64}{2 \times 251.33} = \hat{\mathbf{x}} 127.3 \quad (\text{mW/m}^2), \\ \mathbf{S}_{\text{av}}^r &= -|\Gamma|^2 \mathbf{S}_{\text{av}}^i = -\hat{\mathbf{x}} (0.143)^2 \times 0.127 = -\hat{\mathbf{x}} 2.6 \quad (\text{mW/m}^2), \\ \mathbf{S}_{\text{av}}^t &= \frac{|E_0^t|^2}{2\eta_2} \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{x}} \tau^2 \frac{(8)^2}{2\eta_2} = \hat{\mathbf{x}} \frac{(0.86)^2 64}{2 \times 188.5} = \hat{\mathbf{x}} 124.7 \quad (\text{mW/m}^2). \end{aligned}$$

Within calculation error,  $\mathbf{S}_{\text{av}}^i + \mathbf{S}_{\text{av}}^r = \mathbf{S}_{\text{av}}^t$ .

**Problem 8.4** A 200-MHz, left-hand circularly polarized plane wave with an electric field modulus of 5 V/m is normally incident in air upon a dielectric medium with  $\epsilon_r = 4$ , and occupies the region defined by  $z \geq 0$ .

- Write an expression for the electric field phasor of the incident wave, given that the field is a positive maximum at  $z = 0$  and  $t = 0$ .
- Calculate the reflection and transmission coefficients.
- Write expressions for the electric field phasors of the reflected wave, the transmitted wave, and the total field in the region  $z \leq 0$ .
- Determine the percentages of the incident average power reflected by the boundary and transmitted into the second medium.

**Solution:**

(a)

$$k_1 = \frac{\omega}{c} = \frac{2\pi \times 2 \times 10^8}{3 \times 10^8} = \frac{4\pi}{3} \text{ rad/m},$$

$$k_2 = \frac{\omega}{u_{p2}} = \frac{\omega}{c} \sqrt{\epsilon_r} = \frac{4\pi}{3} \sqrt{4} = \frac{8\pi}{3} \text{ rad/m}.$$

LHC wave:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathbf{E}}^i &= a_0(\hat{\mathbf{x}} + \hat{\mathbf{y}}e^{j\pi/2})e^{-jkz} = a_0(\hat{\mathbf{x}} + j\hat{\mathbf{y}})e^{-jkz}, \\ \mathbf{E}^i(z, t) &= \hat{\mathbf{x}}a_0 \cos(\omega t - kz) - \hat{\mathbf{y}}a_0 \sin(\omega t - kz), \\ |\mathbf{E}^i| &= [a_0^2 \cos^2(\omega t - kz) + a_0^2 \sin^2(\omega t - kz)]^{1/2} = a_0 = 5 \text{ (V/m)}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}}^i = 5(\hat{\mathbf{x}} + j\hat{\mathbf{y}})e^{-j4\pi z/3} \text{ (V/m)}.$$

(b)

$$\eta_1 = \eta_0 = 120\pi \text{ } (\Omega), \quad \eta_2 = \frac{\eta_0}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}} = \frac{\eta_0}{2} = 60\pi \text{ } (\Omega).$$

Equations (8.8a) and (8.9) give

$$\Gamma = \frac{\eta_2 - \eta_1}{\eta_2 + \eta_1} = \frac{60\pi - 120\pi}{60\pi + 120\pi} = \frac{-60}{180} = -\frac{1}{3}, \quad \tau = 1 + \Gamma = \frac{2}{3}.$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathbf{E}}^r &= 5\Gamma(\hat{\mathbf{x}} + j\hat{\mathbf{y}})e^{jk_1 z} = -\frac{5}{3}(\hat{\mathbf{x}} + j\hat{\mathbf{y}})e^{j4\pi z/3} \text{ (V/m)}, \\ \tilde{\mathbf{E}}^t &= 5\tau(\hat{\mathbf{x}} + j\hat{\mathbf{y}})e^{-jk_2 z} = \frac{10}{3}(\hat{\mathbf{x}} + j\hat{\mathbf{y}})e^{-j8\pi z/3} \text{ (V/m)}, \\ \tilde{\mathbf{E}}_1 &= \tilde{\mathbf{E}}^i + \tilde{\mathbf{E}}^r = 5(\hat{\mathbf{x}} + j\hat{\mathbf{y}}) \left[ e^{-j4\pi z/3} - \frac{1}{3}e^{j4\pi z/3} \right] \text{ (V/m)}. \end{aligned}$$

(d)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{\% of reflected power} &= 100 \times |\Gamma|^2 = \frac{100}{9} = 11.11\%, \\ \text{\% of transmitted power} &= 100 \times |\tau|^2 \frac{\eta_1}{\eta_2} = 100 \times \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 \times \frac{120\pi}{60\pi} = 88.89\%. \end{aligned}$$


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**Problem 8.6** A 50-MHz plane wave with electric field amplitude of 50 V/m is normally incident in air onto a semi-infinite, perfect dielectric medium with  $\epsilon_r = 36$ . Determine the following:

- (a)  $\Gamma$
- (b) The average power densities of the incident and reflected waves.
- (c) The distance in the air medium from the boundary to the nearest minimum of the electric field intensity,  $|\mathbf{E}|$ .

**Solution:**

(a)

$$\eta_1 = \eta_0 = 120\pi \quad (\Omega), \quad \eta_2 = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_2}{\epsilon_2}} = \frac{120\pi}{\sqrt{\epsilon_{r2}}} = \frac{120\pi}{6} = 20\pi \quad (\Omega),$$

$$\Gamma = \frac{\eta_2 - \eta_1}{\eta_2 + \eta_1} = \frac{20\pi - 120\pi}{20\pi + 120\pi} = -0.71.$$

Hence,  $|\Gamma| = 0.71$  and  $\theta_\Gamma = 180^\circ$ .

(b)

$$S_{\text{av}}^i = \frac{|E_0^i|^2}{2\eta_1} = \frac{(50)^2}{2 \times 120\pi} = 3.32 \quad (\text{W/m}^2),$$

$$S_{\text{av}}^r = |\Gamma|^2 S_{\text{av}}^i = (0.71)^2 \times 3.32 = 1.67 \quad (\text{W/m}^2).$$

(c) In medium 1 (air),

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{c}{f} = \frac{3 \times 10^8}{5 \times 10^7} = 6 \text{ m}.$$

From Eqs. (8.16) and (8.17),

$$l_{\text{max}} = \frac{\theta_r \lambda_1}{4\pi} = \frac{\pi \times 6}{4\pi} = 1.5 \text{ m},$$

$$l_{\text{min}} = l_{\text{max}} - \frac{\lambda_1}{4} = 1.5 - 1.5 = 0 \text{ m (at the boundary)}.$$


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## Problem # 6.1

Calculate the net reflection coefficient  $\Gamma$  for the plane wave incident upon the stratified media shown in Figure 12-25. Assume that the dielectric constants of the media are  $\epsilon_{r1} = 1$ ,  $\epsilon_{r2} = 6.25$ ,  $\epsilon_{r3} = 2.25$ , and  $\epsilon_{r4} = 1$ . Also, assume that  $\ell_2 = \lambda_2/8$  and  $\ell_3 = \lambda_3/5$ .

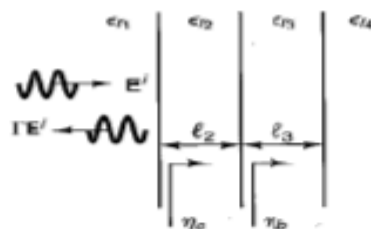


Figure 12-25 Incident and reflected waves at a stack of three interfaces of dissimilar materials.

### Solution:

Using the specified dielectric constants, we first calculate the following parameters:

$$\eta_1 = \eta_4 = \frac{377}{\sqrt{1}} = 377 \quad [\Omega]$$

$$\eta_2 = \frac{377}{\sqrt{6.25}} = 150.8 \quad [\Omega]$$

$$\eta_3 = \frac{377}{\sqrt{2.25}} = 251.33 \quad [\Omega]$$

$$\tan(\beta_3 \ell_3) = \tan\left[\frac{2\pi}{\lambda_3} \times \frac{\lambda_3}{5}\right] = \tan(2\pi/5) = 3.08$$

$$\tan(\beta_2 \ell_2) = \tan(2\pi/8) = 0.785.$$

The effective wave impedance  $\eta_b$  just to the right of the interface between regions 2 and 3 can be found from Equation (12.160):

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_b &= \eta_3 \frac{\eta_4 + j\eta_2 \tan(\beta_3 \ell_3)}{\eta_2 + j\eta_4 \tan(\beta_3 \ell_3)} \\ &= 251.33 \frac{377 + j(150.8)(3.08)}{150.8 + j(377)(3.08)} = 176.94 - j43.34. \end{aligned}$$

Next, the effective wave impedance  $\eta_e$  just to the right of the interface between regions 1 and 2 is

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_e &= \eta_2 \frac{\eta_b + j\eta_2 \tan(\beta_2 \ell_2)}{\eta_2 + j\eta_b \tan(\beta_2 \ell_2)} \\ &= 150.8 \frac{(176.94 - j43.34) + j(150.8)(0.785)}{150.8 + j(176.94 - j43.34)(0.785)} \\ &= 121.66 - j30.2 \quad [\Omega]. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, the effective reflection coefficient is

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma &= \frac{\eta_e - \eta_1}{\eta_e + \eta_1} = \frac{121.66 - j30.2 - 377}{121.66 - j30.2 + 377} \\ &= 0.515 \angle -169.8^\circ. \end{aligned}$$

This results in a power reflection coefficient of

$$|\Gamma|^2 = 0.265 = 26.5\%.$$

## Problem # 6.2

A perpendicularly polarized plane wave is incident from free space onto a lossless dielectric surface at an angle of  $30^\circ$  with respect to the surface normal. If the material parameters are  $\epsilon = 4.0 \epsilon_0$  and  $\mu = \mu_0$ , find the angle of transmission and the reflection and transmission coefficients.

### Solution:

From Equation (12.174), the angle of transmission

$$\theta_t = \sin^{-1} \left[ \frac{n_1}{n_2} \sin \theta_i \right] = \sin^{-1} \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}} \sin(30^\circ) \right] = 14.48^\circ.$$

The intrinsic impedances of the two media are

$$\eta_1 = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}} = 377 \quad [\Omega], \quad \eta_2 = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{4\epsilon_0}} = 188.5 \quad [\Omega].$$

Substituting these values into Equations (12.177) and (12.178), we find that

$$\Gamma_{\perp} = \frac{188.5 \cos(30^\circ) - 377 \cos(14.48^\circ)}{188.5 \cos(30^\circ) + 377 \cos(14.48^\circ)} = -0.382$$

$$T_{\perp} = \frac{2 \times 188.5 \cos(30^\circ)}{188.5 \cos(30^\circ) + 377 \cos(14.48^\circ)} = 0.618.$$

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### Equation List

$$\Gamma_{\perp} = \frac{\eta_2 \cos \theta_t - \eta_1 \cos \theta_i}{\eta_2 \cos \theta_t + \eta_1 \cos \theta_i} \quad (12.177)$$

$$T_{\perp} = \frac{2\eta_2 \cos \theta_i}{\eta_2 \cos \theta_t + \eta_1 \cos \theta_i} \quad (12.178)$$