

# HW3 PHYS168 lasers Spring 2012 Prepared by N. Eradat

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- V1.4, 1.7, 1.8, 1.10, 2.1, 2.3, 2.5, 2.6
  - Problems from review
- 1
    - a) Prove that for a harmonic plane electromagnetic wave  $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{E}_0 \cos(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r} - \omega t)$ , traveling through an insulating isotropic medium,  $|\mathbf{E}| = V |\mathbf{B}|$  and in vacuum  $|\mathbf{E}| = c |\mathbf{B}|$ .
    - b) Calculate the magnitude of the poynting vector
    - c) Prove that the energy content of this plane wave, in unit volume, due to electric and magnetic fields is equal.
    - d) Calculate the total energy per unit volume.
  - 2
    - a) Calculate time average of the harmonic plane wave  $E = E_0 e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$  over a time of  $T$  ( $T$  is not temporal period of the wave).
    - b) Calculate the  $\langle \cos(kx - \omega t) \rangle_T$ ,  $\langle \sin(kx - \omega t) \rangle_T$ ,  $\langle \cos(kx - \omega t) \rangle_T^2$ ,  $\langle \sin(kx - \omega t) \rangle_T^2$ . Use the notation  $\sin c x = \frac{\sin x}{x}$ .
    - c) Use the results of parts a and b to show that for plane waves in vacuum  $I \equiv \langle \mathbf{S} \rangle_T = \frac{c\epsilon_0}{2} E_0^2$
    - d) Calculate the optical flux density for the plane EM wave with the following electrical (also called optical) field moving in vacuum
 
$$E_x = E_y = 0, \quad E_z = 100 \sin \left[ 8\pi \times 10^{14} \left( t - \frac{x}{3 \times 10^8} \right) \right]. \quad (\text{Ans: } 13.3 \text{ W} / \text{m}^3)$$

