Physics 8.03 Vibrations and Waves Lecture 17

EM waves meet dielectrics

Last time: waveguides

Single hollow conductor

TE or TM mode, but not TEM

$$\vec{E} = \hat{y}E_0 \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right) e^{j(\omega t - k_z z)}$$
$$\vec{B} = -\hat{x}\left(\frac{k_z E_0}{\omega}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right) e^{j(\omega t - k_z z)} + \hat{z}j\left(\frac{k_x E_0}{\omega}\right) \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right) e^{j(\omega t - k_z z)}$$

Not a plane wave any more!
Dispersion

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$$E_{y} = f(y)$$

$$E_{y} = E_{0} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right) \cos(\omega t - k_{z}z)$$

$$E_{x} = E_{0} \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right) \cos(\omega t - k_{z}z)$$

$$E_{z} = 0$$

$$\omega_{mn}^{cut-off} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{m\pi}{a}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{n\pi}{b}\right)^{2}}$$

Each mode has its own cut-off frequency

Dielectrics

Polarization and magnetization
 index of refraction
 modify Maxwell's equations
 modify wave velocity
 Law of reflection and refraction (Snell)
 Reflection and transmission amplitudes