

A densidade e o fluxo de energia no sistema MKS

Há textos de eletromagnetismo que utilizam o sistema de unidades CGS e há os que adotam o sistema MKS. Alguns fatores multiplicativos dependem do sistema de unidades. Já estabeleci as fórmulas práticas para o caso do sistema CGS na postagem, A densidade e o fluxo de energia. Na presente postagem vou repetir as considerações usando o sistema MKS de unidades.

Vamos utilizar a notação

$$\begin{aligned}\boldsymbol{\epsilon} &= \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0 \exp(i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r} - i\omega_k t), \\ \boldsymbol{\beta} &= \boldsymbol{\beta}_0 \exp(i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r} - i\omega_k t),\end{aligned}$$

onde

$$\omega_k \equiv \frac{k}{\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}}$$

e

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{E} &= \text{Re}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}), \\ \mathbf{B} &= \text{Re}(\boldsymbol{\beta}).\end{aligned}$$

Assim, as equações de Maxwell dão

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon} = 0 &\Rightarrow \mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0 = 0, \\ \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta} = 0 &\Rightarrow \mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta}_0 = 0, \\ \nabla \times \boldsymbol{\epsilon} = -\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\beta}}{\partial t} &\Rightarrow \mathbf{k} \times \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0 = \omega_k \boldsymbol{\beta}_0, \\ \nabla \times \boldsymbol{\beta} = \mu\epsilon \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\epsilon}}{\partial t} &\Rightarrow \mathbf{k} \times \boldsymbol{\beta}_0 = -\mu\epsilon\omega_k \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0.\end{aligned}$$

Em resumo,

$$\begin{aligned}\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0 &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}} \hat{\mathbf{k}} \times \boldsymbol{\beta}_0, \\ \boldsymbol{\beta}_0 &= \sqrt{\mu\epsilon} \hat{\mathbf{k}} \times \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0.\end{aligned}$$

A densidade de energia é dada por

$$\begin{aligned}u &= \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{D} \cdot \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{H} \cdot \mathbf{B}) \\ &= \frac{\epsilon}{2} [\text{Re}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon})] \cdot [\text{Re}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon})] + \frac{1}{2\mu} [\text{Re}(\boldsymbol{\beta})] \cdot [\text{Re}(\boldsymbol{\beta})].\end{aligned}$$

O fluxo de energia é dado pelo vetor de Poynting:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{S} &= \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H} \\ &= \frac{1}{\mu} [\text{Re}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon})] \times [\text{Re}(\boldsymbol{\beta})].\end{aligned}$$

Se tomamos $[\text{Re}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon})] \times [\text{Re}(\boldsymbol{\beta})]$, por exemplo, obtemos o seguinte:

$$\begin{aligned}[\text{Re}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon})] \times [\text{Re}(\boldsymbol{\beta})] &= \frac{1}{4} (\boldsymbol{\epsilon} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^*) \times (\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \times \boldsymbol{\beta} + \frac{1}{4} \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \times \boldsymbol{\beta}^* + \frac{1}{4} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^* \times \boldsymbol{\beta} + \frac{1}{4} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^* \times \boldsymbol{\beta}^* \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \text{Re}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \times \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) + \frac{1}{4} \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \times \boldsymbol{\beta} + \frac{1}{4} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^* \times \boldsymbol{\beta}^*.\end{aligned}$$

Como \mathbf{k} e ω_k são quantidades reais, então

$$(\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \times \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) = (\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0 \times \boldsymbol{\beta}_0^*)$$

não depende do tempo e não depende do espaço. A média temporal dos termos oscilantes restantes dá zero. Por exemplo,

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \times \boldsymbol{\beta} \rangle &\equiv (\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0 \times \boldsymbol{\beta}_0) \exp(2i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}) \int_0^{\frac{2\pi}{\omega_k}} dt \exp(-2i\omega_k t) \\ &= \mathbf{0}.\end{aligned}$$

Assim,

$$\langle \mathbf{S} \rangle = \frac{1}{2\mu} \text{Re}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \times \boldsymbol{\beta}^*).$$

Procedendo similarmente para o caso da densidade de energia, obtemos a média temporal

$$\langle u \rangle = \frac{\varepsilon}{4} \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^* + \frac{1}{4\mu} \boldsymbol{\beta} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta}^*.$$

Como \mathbf{k} e ω_k são quantidades reais, então

$$\begin{aligned}\boldsymbol{\beta} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta}^* &= \mu\varepsilon (\hat{\mathbf{k}} \times \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0) \cdot (\hat{\mathbf{k}} \times \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0^*) \\ &= \mu\varepsilon \hat{\mathbf{k}} \cdot [\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0 \times (\hat{\mathbf{k}} \times \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0^*)] \\ &= \mu\varepsilon \hat{\mathbf{k}} \cdot [\hat{\mathbf{k}}\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0 \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0^* - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0^* \hat{\mathbf{k}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0] \\ &= \mu\varepsilon \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0 \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0^*, \\ \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \times \boldsymbol{\beta}^* &= \sqrt{\mu\varepsilon} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0 \times (\hat{\mathbf{k}} \times \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0^*) \\ &= \sqrt{\mu\varepsilon} (\hat{\mathbf{k}}\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0 \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0^* - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0^* \hat{\mathbf{k}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0) \\ &= \sqrt{\mu\varepsilon} \hat{\mathbf{k}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0 \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0^*.\end{aligned}$$

Logo,

$$\langle u \rangle = \frac{\varepsilon}{4} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0 \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0^* + \frac{1}{4\mu} \mu\varepsilon \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0 \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0^* = \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0 \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0^*$$

e

$$\langle \mathbf{S} \rangle = \frac{1}{2\mu} \sqrt{\mu\varepsilon} \hat{\mathbf{k}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0 \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0^* = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon}{\mu}} \hat{\mathbf{k}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0 \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0^*.$$

É interessante notarmos que, a partir dessas equações, também temos

$$\langle \mathbf{S} \rangle = \langle u \rangle \frac{\hat{\mathbf{k}}}{\sqrt{\mu\varepsilon}},$$

onde

$$\frac{\hat{\mathbf{k}}}{\sqrt{\mu\varepsilon}}$$

é a velocidade com que as ondas se propagam. Essa relação é análoga à relação entre a densidade de corrente e a densidade de carga:

$$\mathbf{J} = \rho \mathbf{v}.$$

Quando o meio dielétrico possui uma condutividade g finita, isto é, é um meio condutor, temos

$$\mathbf{J} = g\mathbf{E}.$$

Nesse caso, a equação de onda para \mathbf{E} é dada por:

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} - \mu\varepsilon \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2} - \mu g \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} = \mathbf{0}.$$

Também temos

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{B} - \mu \varepsilon \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{B}}{\partial t^2} - \mu g \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = \mathbf{0}.$$

As respectivas versões complexas dessas equações de onda são

$$\nabla^2 \boldsymbol{\epsilon} - \mu \varepsilon \frac{\partial^2 \boldsymbol{\epsilon}}{\partial t^2} - \mu g \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\epsilon}}{\partial t} = \mathbf{0}$$

e

$$\nabla^2 \boldsymbol{\beta} - \mu \varepsilon \frac{\partial^2 \boldsymbol{\beta}}{\partial t^2} - \mu g \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\beta}}{\partial t} = \mathbf{0}.$$

Se tomamos o ansatz

$$\boldsymbol{\epsilon} = \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0 \exp(i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r} - i\omega t),$$

obtemos

$$-\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{k} + \mu \varepsilon \omega^2 + i\mu g \omega = 0.$$

Assim, se ω é real, segue que \mathbf{k} é um vetor complexo. Dessa forma, escrevemos

$$\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{k}_r + i\mathbf{k}_i,$$

onde

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{k}_r &= \text{Re}(\mathbf{k}), \\ \mathbf{k}_i &= \text{Im}(\mathbf{k}). \end{aligned}$$

Portanto,

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{\epsilon} &= \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0 \exp(-\mathbf{k}_i \cdot \mathbf{r}) \exp(i\mathbf{k}_r \cdot \mathbf{r} - i\omega t), \\ \boldsymbol{\beta} &= \boldsymbol{\beta}_0 \exp(-\mathbf{k}_i \cdot \mathbf{r}) \exp(i\mathbf{k}_r \cdot \mathbf{r} - i\omega t). \end{aligned}$$

Portanto,

$$\langle u \rangle = \frac{\varepsilon}{4} \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^* + \frac{1}{4\mu} \boldsymbol{\beta} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta}^*$$

e

$$\langle \mathbf{S} \rangle = \frac{1}{2\mu} \text{Re}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \times \boldsymbol{\beta}^*).$$

Para verificarmos essas relações, façamos:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Re}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}) \cdot \text{Re}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}) &= \frac{\boldsymbol{\epsilon} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^*}{2} \cdot \frac{\boldsymbol{\epsilon} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^*}{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} (\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon} + 2\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^* + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^* \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^*). \end{aligned}$$

Logo,

$$\langle \text{Re}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}) \cdot \text{Re}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}) \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^*.$$

Analogamente,

$$\langle \text{Re}(\boldsymbol{\beta}) \cdot \text{Re}(\boldsymbol{\beta}) \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\beta} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta}^*.$$

Com isso, obtemos

$$\langle u \rangle = \frac{\varepsilon}{4} \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^* + \frac{1}{4\mu} \boldsymbol{\beta} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta}^*.$$

Finalmente, para o fluxo de energia, temos

$$\begin{aligned}\operatorname{Re}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}) \times \operatorname{Re}(\boldsymbol{\beta}) &= \frac{\boldsymbol{\epsilon} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^*}{2} \times \frac{\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\beta}^*}{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{4}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \times \boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \times \boldsymbol{\beta}^* + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^* \times \boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^* \times \boldsymbol{\beta}^*)\end{aligned}$$

e, portanto,

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \operatorname{Re}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}) \times \operatorname{Re}(\boldsymbol{\beta}) \rangle &= \frac{1}{4}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \times \boldsymbol{\beta}^* + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^* \times \boldsymbol{\beta}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\operatorname{Re}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \times \boldsymbol{\beta}^*).\end{aligned}$$

Logo,

$$\langle \mathbf{S} \rangle = \frac{1}{2\mu}\operatorname{Re}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \times \boldsymbol{\beta}^*).$$