

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

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

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

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

$$\omega = 2\pi \times 10^9 \quad (\text{rad/s}),$$

$$\alpha = 30 \quad (\text{Np/m}),$$

$$\beta = 40 \quad (\text{rad/m}).$$

From (7.65a) and (7.65b),

$$\alpha^2 - \beta^2 = -\omega^2 \mu \epsilon' = -\omega^2 \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r' = -\frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \epsilon_r',$$

$$2\alpha\beta = \omega^2 \mu \epsilon'' = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \epsilon_r''.$$

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

$$\epsilon_r' = 1.6,$$

$$\epsilon_r'' = 5.47.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_c &= \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\epsilon'}} \left( 1 - j \frac{\epsilon_r''}{\epsilon_r'} \right)^{-1/2} \\ &= \frac{\eta_0}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r'}} \left( 1 - j \frac{\epsilon_r''}{\epsilon_r'} \right)^{-1/2} = \frac{377}{\sqrt{1.6}} \left( 1 - j \frac{5.47}{1.6} \right)^{-1/2} = 157.9 e^{j36.85^\circ} \quad (\Omega). \end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}} = \hat{\mathbf{z}} 25 e^{-30x} e^{-j40x},$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{H}} = \frac{1}{\eta_c} \hat{\mathbf{k}} \times \tilde{\mathbf{E}} = \frac{1}{157.9 e^{j36.85^\circ}} \hat{\mathbf{x}} \times \hat{\mathbf{z}} 25 e^{-30x} e^{-j40x} = -\hat{\mathbf{y}} 0.16 e^{-30x} e^{-40x} e^{-j36.85^\circ},$$

$$\mathbf{H} = \Re\{\tilde{\mathbf{H}} e^{j\omega t}\} = -\hat{\mathbf{y}} 0.16 e^{-30x} \cos(2\pi \times 10^9 t - 40x - 36.85^\circ) \quad (\text{A/m}).$$


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