

# Electric Dipole Radiation.

take  $n=0$  term in  $\vec{A}$  from the far zone:

$$\vec{A}(\vec{x}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{e^{ikr}}{r} \int d^3x' \vec{J}(\vec{x}')$$

Now,  $\int d^3x' J_i = \int d^3x' J_j \underbrace{\nabla'_j x'_i}_{=\delta_{ij}} =$  parts =

$$= - \int d^3x' x'_i \nabla'_j J_j = - \int d^3x' x'_i \vec{\nabla}' \cdot \vec{J}$$

Use continuity relation  $\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{J} = 0 \Rightarrow$

$$\Rightarrow i\omega \rho(\vec{x}) = \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{J} \Rightarrow \int d^3x' J_i = -i\omega \int d^3x' x'_i \rho(\vec{x}')$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{A}(\vec{x}) = - \frac{i\mu_0\omega}{4\pi} \frac{e^{ikr}}{r} \int d^3x' \vec{x}' \rho(\vec{x}')$$

$\Rightarrow$  recalling that  $\boxed{\vec{p} = \int d^3x' \vec{x}' \rho(\vec{x}')}$  is the

electric dipole moment, we get

$$\boxed{\vec{A}(\vec{x}) = - \frac{i\mu_0\omega}{4\pi} \vec{p} \frac{e^{ikr}}{r}}$$
 dipole radiation.

$$\vec{H} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} = + \frac{i\omega}{4\pi} \vec{p} \times \vec{\nabla} \left( \frac{e^{ikr}}{r} \right) =$$

$$= \frac{i\omega}{4\pi} \vec{p} \times \hat{n} \cdot \left[ ik \frac{e^{ikr}}{r} - \frac{e^{ikr}}{r^2} \right] \Rightarrow \text{as } \omega = ck \quad (62)$$

$$\vec{H} = \frac{ck^2}{4\pi} \hat{n} \times \vec{p} \frac{e^{ikr}}{r} \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{ikr} \right]$$

$$\vec{E} = \frac{i}{\omega \epsilon_0} \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H} \Rightarrow \text{if } kr \gg 1 \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{H} \approx \frac{ck^2}{4\pi} \hat{n} \times \vec{p} \frac{e^{ikr}}{r}} \Rightarrow \vec{E} = \frac{-i}{\epsilon_0 ck} \frac{ck^2}{4\pi} (\hat{n} \times \vec{p}) \times \vec{\nabla}$$

$$\frac{e^{ikr}}{r} \approx \frac{-ik}{4\pi \epsilon_0} ik (\hat{n} \times \vec{p}) \times \hat{n} \frac{e^{ikr}}{r} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0 c} \vec{H} \times \hat{n}$$

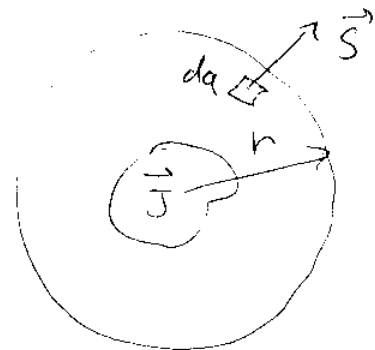
$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{E} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}} \vec{H} \times \hat{n}} \quad \vec{E} \perp \vec{H} \perp \hat{n} \text{ transverse}$$

but only at large  $r$ .

Radiated power:

$$\frac{dP}{r^2 d\Omega} = \frac{dP}{d\Omega} = \hat{n} \cdot \vec{S}$$

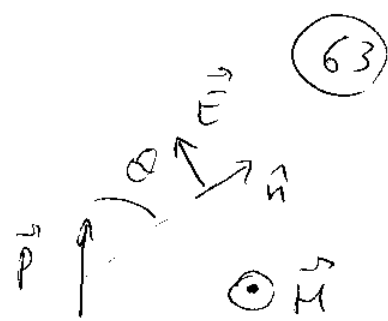
unit of area



$$\Rightarrow \frac{dP}{d\Omega} = r^2 \hat{n} \cdot \vec{S} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Re} \left[ r^2 \hat{n} \cdot (\vec{E} \times \vec{H}^*) \right] =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} r^2 \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}} |\vec{H}|^2 = \frac{1}{2} r^2 \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}} \frac{c^2 k^4}{(4\pi)^2} |\hat{n} \times \vec{p}|^2 \frac{1}{r^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dP}{d\Omega} = \frac{c^2}{32\pi^2} \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}} k^4 |\hat{n} \times \vec{p}|^2$$



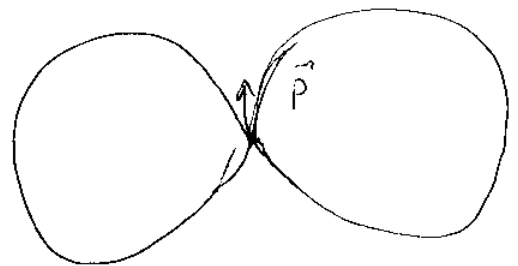
$$\Rightarrow \frac{dP}{d\Omega} = \frac{c^2}{32\pi^2} \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}} k^4 |\vec{p}|^2 \sin^2 \theta$$

Total emitted power:  $P = \int d\Omega \frac{dP}{d\Omega} = \frac{c^2}{32\pi^2} \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}} k^4 |\vec{p}|^2$

$$2\pi \int_{-1}^1 d\cos\theta (1 - \cos^2\theta) = \frac{c^2}{12\pi} \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}} k^4 |\vec{p}|^2 = P$$

$$2 - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{4}{3}$$

Radiation pattern:



Examples of dipoles:

harmonically oscillating

point charge on a spring

(i.e. "electron" in  
an "atom")

