Physics 8.03 Vibrations and Waves

Lecture 14
Dipole Radiation

Last time: polarization

- lacksquare Components of E_0
- $\blacksquare E_{0x} = E_{0y} e^{j\phi}$
 - $E_{0x} \oplus E_{0y}$ and $\phi = \pm n\pi$ → linearly polarized
 - $\blacksquare E_{0x} = E_{0y}$ and $\phi = \pm n\pi/2 \Rightarrow$ circularly polarized
 - $\blacksquare E_{0x} \oplus E_{0y}$ and $\phi \oplus \pm n\pi/2 \Rightarrow$ elliptically polarized
- Energy carried by EM waves
 - Intensity → Poynting vector

- Polarizers, waveplates and all that
- Radiation pressure
 - Energy density
 - Flux
 - Momentum

$$U(\vec{r},t) = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_0 \vec{E} \cdot \vec{E} + \frac{1}{2\mu_0} \vec{B} \cdot \vec{B}$$

$$\vec{S}(\vec{r},t) = \frac{1}{2} \vec{E} \times \vec{B}$$

$$\vec{g}(\vec{r},t) = \frac{1}{2} \vec{S}$$

- Radiation from accelerating charges
 - Dipole approximation