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## DEVELOPMENT OF THE GLANC EMP CODE

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## PREFACE

GLANC is a computer code for obtaining the solution, by finite difference methods, of Maxwell's equations in one space dimension and retarded time, for the electromagnetic fields produced by a nuclear burst near or on the ground. The fields are calculated in the air, in the ground, and on the ground-air interface. The approximations in GLANC are such that the field calculations are valid for early times and for distances less than about one kilometer. The yield of the nuclear device determines the maximum distance for which the approximations are valid. The field components considered are  $B_x$ ,  $E_z$ , and  $E_y$  in rectangular coordinates. In the ground the electrical conductivity is constant in time and space. The source (Compton) current in the ground can be different from zero or zero. The ground current is always set to zero when the height of the nuclear burst above the ground is zero. The conductivity in the air is found by solving the "air-ion" equations, which take account of gamma-induced ionization, electron attachment to  $O_2$ , and electron-ion and ion-ion recombination. Transport of gamma rays in the air is handled by prescription, using attenuation lengths and build-up factors. The sources in the air for the currents and ionization are determined by any of three methods: (1) injection of Compton electrons and solution of their equations of motion; (2) using the LEMP fits to Compton current and ionization rate as function of the fields; (3) by simply making the Compton current and ionization rate proportional to the gamma flux, without field reaction. Sample results from GLANC are given in a companion (classified) report.

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SECTION 1  
THE DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

1.1 MAXWELL'S EQUATIONS

GLANC is a computer code for obtaining the solution, by finite difference methods, of Maxwell's equations in one space dimension and retarded time, for the electromagnetic fields produced by a nuclear burst near or on the ground. We start with the two Maxwell equations that determine how the magnetic field  $\vec{B}$  and the electric field  $\vec{E}$  change with time,

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} &= -\nabla \times \vec{E} \\ \frac{\epsilon}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} + 4\pi\sigma\vec{E} &= \nabla \times \vec{B} - 4\pi\vec{J} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (1-1)$$

We use cgs Gaussian units in the code: thus charge and electric fields are in esu and currents and magnetic fields are in emu. The output from the code can be designated as Gaussian or as MKS units. The relation between the system of units is given in the Appendix. Since the other two Maxwell equations, not written here, are only initial conditions, we need not consider them further.

In Eqs. (1-1), the medium has been assumed to be nonmagnetic ( $\mu = 1$ ), and the dielectric constant  $\epsilon$  has been assumed constant in time. We take  $\epsilon = 1$  in the air and  $\epsilon = \text{constant}$  in the ground. The

electrical conductivity  $\sigma$  will be constant in the ground. The conductivity in the air and the Compton recoil current density  $\vec{J}$  will vary with space and time and, for various cases, with the fields (see Section 3). The velocity of light  $c = 3 \times 10^{10}$  cm/sec.

We shall use standard rectangular coordinates  $x, y, z$  and let only the field components  $B_x$ ,  $E_y$ , and  $E_z$  differ from zero. Then Eqs. (1-1) become

$$\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial B_x}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial E_y}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial E_z}{\partial y}, \quad (1-2)$$

$$\frac{\epsilon}{c} \frac{\partial E_y}{\partial t} + 4\pi\sigma E_y + 4\pi J_y = \frac{\partial B_x}{\partial z}, \quad (1-3)$$

$$\frac{\epsilon}{c} \frac{\partial E_z}{\partial t} + 4\pi\sigma E_z + 4\pi J_z = - \frac{\partial B_x}{\partial y}. \quad (1-4)$$

The geometry is shown in Figure (1-1), where the source is shown off the ground. The ground-air interface is the  $x$ - $y$  plane. The line from the source to the air-ground interface is given by the vector  $\vec{r} = \vec{i}_y y - \vec{i}_z z$ . The unit vector in the direction of  $\vec{r}$  is  $\vec{n}$ . We want to calculate the fields along the line in the  $z$ -direction ( $y$ - $z$  plane) which is drawn at the intersection of the source ray and the ground-air interface. Specifically we make the approximation that all rays from the source which cross this line of calculation are parallel, i.e., the line of calculation is short and far from the source. We now define the retarded time  $\tau'$  by,

$$\tau' = ct - \vec{n} \cdot \vec{r} \quad (1-5)$$

and note that  $\vec{n} \cdot \vec{r} = y \cos \theta - z \sin \theta$ . Thus, the retarded time at the ground ( $z = 0$ )  $\tau$  is given by

$$\tau = ct - y \cos \theta \quad (1-6)$$

so that

$$\tau' = \tau + z \sin \theta \quad (1-7)$$

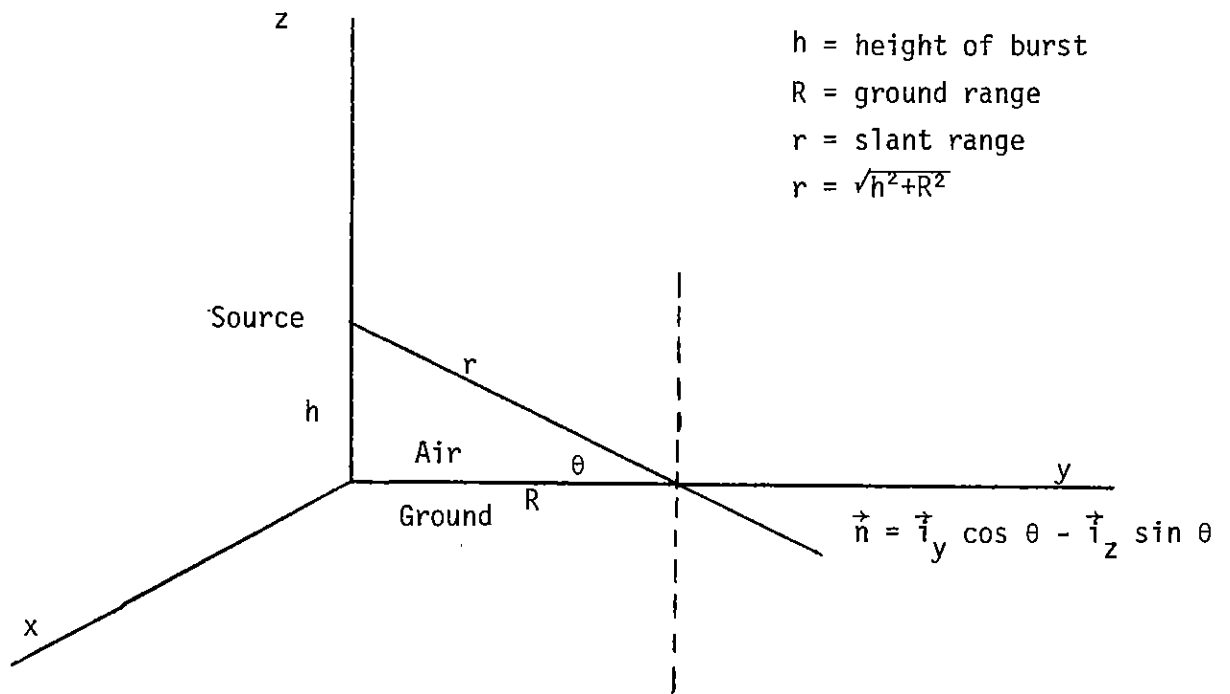


Figure (1-1). Geometry

We note the functional dependence

$$J = J(ct - \vec{n} \cdot \vec{r}, z) = J(ct - y \cos \theta, z) \quad (1-8)$$

which allows us to use the retarded time on the ground. Thus, from

$$y' = y \quad (1-9)$$

$$\tau = ct - y \cos \theta$$

we find that

$$\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \quad (1-10)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \rightarrow -\cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y'}$$

so that Eq. (1-2) and Eq. (1-4) may be transformed to retarded time and give,

$$\frac{\partial B_x}{\partial \tau} = \frac{\partial E_y}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial E_z}{\partial y'} + \cos \theta \frac{\partial E_z}{\partial \tau} \quad (1-11)$$

$$\epsilon \frac{\partial E_z}{\partial \tau} + 4\pi\sigma E_z + 4\pi J_z = \cos \theta \frac{\partial B_x}{\partial \tau} - \frac{\partial B_x}{\partial y'}$$

For our one-dimensional approximation we drop the  $\partial/\partial y'$  terms in Eqs. (1-11) so that, with Eq. (1-3), we have

$$\frac{\partial E_y}{\partial \tau} + \frac{4\pi\sigma}{\epsilon} E_y = -\frac{4\pi}{\epsilon} J_y + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \frac{\partial B_x}{\partial z} \quad (1-12)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} (B_x - \cos \theta E_z) = \frac{\partial E_y}{\partial z} \quad (1-13)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} (\epsilon E_z - \cos \theta B_x) + 4\pi\sigma E_z = -4\pi J_z \quad (1-14)$$

or, by multiplying Eq. (1-13) by  $\cos \theta$  and adding Eq. (1-14), and by multiplying Eq. (1-13) by  $\epsilon$  and Eq. (1-14) by  $\cos \theta$  and adding we obtain

$$\frac{\partial E_z}{\partial \tau} (\epsilon - \cos^2 \theta) + 4\pi\sigma E_z = \cos \theta \frac{\partial E_y}{\partial z} - 4\pi J_z \quad (1-15)$$

and

$$\frac{\partial B_x}{\partial \tau} (\epsilon - \cos^2 \theta) + 4\pi\sigma \cos \theta E_z = \epsilon \frac{\partial E_y}{\partial z} - 4\pi \cos \theta J_z \quad (1-16)$$

When the burst point (source) is on the ground-air interface we have  $\theta = 0$  ( $\cos \theta = 1$ ) so that in the air ( $\epsilon = 1$ ) Eqs. (1-15) and (1-16) become redundant. Thus, when the height of burst is zero (ground burst) we cannot use Eqs. (1-15) and (1-16) in the air but must use

$$E_z = \frac{1}{4\pi\sigma} \frac{\partial E_y}{\partial z} - \frac{J_z}{\sigma} \quad (1-17)$$



and

$$\frac{\partial B_x}{\partial \tau} = \frac{\partial E_z}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial E_y}{\partial z} \quad (1-18)$$

where Eq. (1-18) was obtained by the use of Eq. (1-13).

To summarize, we use Eq. (1-12) to advance  $E_y$  in time and Eqs. (1-15) and (1-16) to advance  $E_z$  and  $B_x$  if the burst point is above ground and Eqs. (1-17) and (1-18) in the air to advance  $E_z$  and  $B_x$  if the burst point is on the ground. Eqs. (1-15) and (1-16) are used in the ground ( $\epsilon > 1$ ) in either case for  $E_z$  and  $B_x$ .

## 1.2 THE AIR-ION EQUATIONS

In order to compute the air conductivity one has to keep accounts of the production and recombination of electrons, positive ions, and negative ions. Electrons, density  $n_e$ , and positive ions, density  $n_+$ , are made as a result of the absorption of gamma rays. The source of both will be called  $\dot{\gamma}$ , ion pairs per  $\text{cm}^3$  per sec. Electrons attach with rate coefficient  $\alpha$  to  $\text{O}_2$ , forming negative ions  $\text{O}_2^-$ , density  $n_-$ . Electrons recombine with positive ions, with rate coefficient  $\beta$ . Positive and negative ions recombine with each other, with rate coefficient  $\gamma$ . The differential equations for  $n_e$ ,  $n_-$ , and  $n_+$  are

$$c \frac{dn_e}{d\tau} + (\alpha + \beta n_+) n_e = \dot{\gamma} \quad (1-19)$$

$$c \frac{dn_-}{d\tau} + (\gamma n_+) n_- = \alpha n_e \quad (1-20)$$

$$c \frac{dn_+}{d\tau} + (\gamma n_- + \beta n_e) n_+ = \dot{\gamma} \quad (1-21)$$

The effect of charge transport on the densities is unimportant and is neglected.

It is not necessary to solve all three of these equations, because of the conditions of charge neutrality which follows from them, plus the assumption of initial neutrality,

$$n_+ = n_e + n_- \quad (1-22)$$

In GLANC we carry  $n_e$  and  $n_-$ . If  $n_e$  and  $n_+$  are carried there is an instability of the difference equations when  $\beta n_+$  becomes comparable with or larger than  $\alpha$ .

Having  $n_e$  and  $n_-$ , we calculate the conductivity from the equation

$$\sigma = \frac{e}{c} [n_e \mu_e + (2n_- + n_e) \mu_i] \quad (1-23)$$

where  $e = 4.803 \times 10^{-10}$  esu,  $\mu_e$  is the electron mobility and  $\mu_i$  is the ion mobility. Note that we use the symbol  $e$  for the absolute value of the electronic charge. We assume, for lack of data, that positive and negative ions have the same mobility. In GLANC we use the following fits\* and values:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \alpha &= \frac{0.72 \times 10^8}{\sqrt{|E| + 0.03}} + 6.45 \times 10^7 \exp\left(-\frac{12.76\rho}{|E| + 0.01}\right) \text{ (sec}^{-1}\text{)} \\ |E| &= \sqrt{E_y^2 + E_z^2} \text{ (esu)} \\ \rho &= \text{air density } \left(\frac{\text{gms}}{\text{liter}} = \frac{\text{milligrams}}{\text{cm}^3}\right) \\ \beta &= 2.5 \times 10^{-7} \text{ (cm}^3\text{/sec)} \\ \gamma &= 2.3 \times 10^{-6} \text{ (cm}^3\text{/sec)} \\ \mu_i &= 750 \text{ cm/sec per esu} \\ \mu_e &= \frac{3.93 \times 10^8 \exp(-0.87P)}{\rho \left[ \frac{3 \times 10^4 |E|}{\rho} + 1.4 \times 10^3 + 4 \times 10^3 P \right] (0.61 - 0.07P)} + 3 \times 10^6 [0.04 + 0.01P] \\ P &= \text{percent water vapor in air} \end{aligned} \right\} (1-24)$$

\*The fit for  $\mu_e$  was done by John S. Malik.

It may be noted that  $\alpha$  and  $\mu_e$  will be functions of  $z$  and  $\tau$  through their dependence on  $|E|$ . GLANC can also have constant (input) values of  $\alpha$  and  $\mu_e$ .

### 1.3 THE EQUATIONS OF MOTION

One method of obtaining a source (see Section 3) for  $\dot{\gamma}$  and  $\dot{\beta}$  is by running sample Compton electrons (particles). For this procedure we need the correct relativistic equations of motion for the electrons in the retarded time frame. We start with the equations of motion in real time

$$\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = -e \left[ \vec{E} + \frac{\vec{v}}{c} \times \vec{B} \right] - A \frac{\vec{p}}{P} \quad (1-25)$$

where  $\vec{v}/c = \vec{p}/\sqrt{p^2 + m^2 c^2}$ ,  $m$  is the electron rest mass,  $P = |\vec{p}|$ , and  $A$  is the drag force of the air on the electrons in dynes.  $A$  is obtained from the fitted range-energy relation,

$$R_e = \frac{0.312 \times 10^3 E_e^2}{\rho(0.3 + E_e)} \quad (1-26)$$

where  $R_e$  is the range in cm and  $E_e$  is the electron kinetic energy in Mev. We calculate  $A = dE_e/dR_e$  from Eq. (1-26) and obtain ( $A$  in dynes, and  $E_e$  in Mev),

$$A = \frac{1.6021 \cdot 10^{-6} \rho (0.3 + E_e)^2}{312.0 E_e (0.6 + E_e)} \quad (1-27)$$

where  $E_e = mc^2 (\sqrt{1 + (P/mc)^2} - 1)$ , with  $mc^2$  in Mev. By Eq. (1-6) we calculate

$$d\tau = c dt - dy \cos \theta = c dt \left( 1 - \frac{v_y}{c} \cos \theta \right) \quad (1-28)$$

so that Eq. (1-25) may be written as

$$\frac{d\vec{p}}{d\tau} = - \frac{1}{1 - \cos \theta \frac{v_y}{c}} \frac{e}{c} \left[ \vec{E} + \frac{\vec{v}}{c} \times \vec{B} + \frac{A}{e} \frac{\vec{p}}{P} \right] \quad (1-29)$$

For the field components of GLANC, Eq. (1-29) gives the equations of motion in a retarded time frame as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dP_x}{d\tau} &= - \frac{1}{1 - \cos \theta \frac{v_y}{c}} \frac{A}{c} \frac{P_x}{P} \\ \frac{dP_y}{d\tau} &= - \frac{1}{1 - \cos \theta \frac{v_y}{c}} \frac{e}{c} \left[ E_y + \frac{v_z}{c} B_x + \frac{A}{e} \frac{P_y}{P} \right] \\ \frac{dP_z}{d\tau} &= - \frac{1}{1 - \cos \theta \frac{v_y}{c}} \frac{e}{c} \left[ E_z - \frac{v_y}{c} B_x + \frac{A}{e} \frac{P_z}{P} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (1-30)$$

When electrons (particles) are injected to serve as the source for GLANC, their motion in the z-direction must be followed in retarded time. By Eq. (1-28) we calculate

$$\frac{dz}{d\tau} = \frac{1}{1 - \cos \theta \frac{v_y}{c}} \frac{v_z}{c} \quad (1-31)$$

In GLANC we inject a specified number of particles at regular time intervals. At each injection time we inject  $n_p$  particles at each space (z) location. Each of the  $n_p$  particles is injected with different initial momentum components. A gamma ray of energy  $E_\gamma$  is assumed to make the Compton recoil electrons. In Figure (1-2) we show the geometry of the gamma ray and the relative electron recoil angles,  $\theta_e$  and  $\phi_e$ .  $\theta_e$  is the Compton electron scattering angle and ranges from zero to  $\pi/2$  in the angular scattering cross section (the Klein-Nishina formula) given by  $\sigma_e$ , i.e.,

$$\sigma_c = \int_0^{\pi/2} \sigma_e d\Omega_e$$

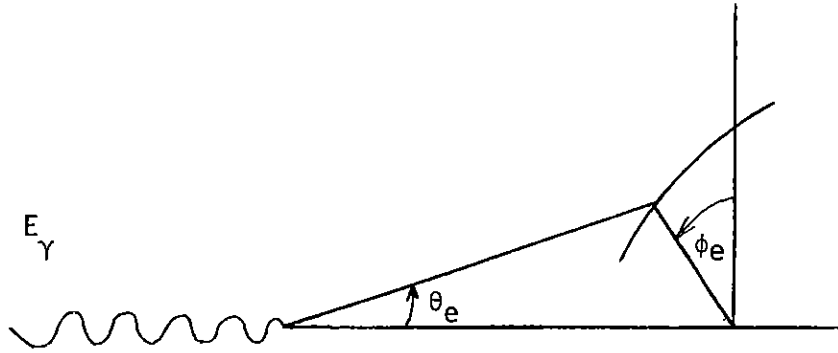


Figure (1-2). Geometry for  $\theta_e$  and  $\phi_e$ .

is the total Compton cross section when the element of solid angle of the recoil electron is  $d\Omega_e = 2\pi \sin \theta_e d\theta_e$ . To obtain  $n_\theta$  values of  $\theta_e$  such that at each and every angle the electron is equally probable we first let  $\delta P = \sigma_c/n_\theta$ . Then, let  $P = \delta P/2$  and integrate on  $\theta_e$  until

$$\int_0^{\theta} \sigma_e d\Omega_e = P$$

This determines the first  $\theta_e$ . Then add  $\delta P$  to  $P$  and continue the integration until

$$\int_0^{\theta} \sigma_e d\Omega_e = P$$

This determines the second desired value of  $\theta_e$ . Continue this latter procedure until all  $n_\theta$  values of  $\theta_e$  have been determined. All values of  $\phi_e$  are equally probable, so we select  $n_\phi$  equal angles  $\phi_e$ . We here let  $\delta\phi = \pi/n_\phi$  and set the first value of  $\phi_e$  equal to  $\delta\phi/2$ . The second value of  $\phi_e$  is obtained by adding  $\delta\phi$  to the first value. Adding  $\delta\phi$  to the last obtained value of  $\phi_e$  is continued until  $n_\phi$  values are obtained.

We set  $n_p = n_\theta \times n_\phi$  and note, for determination of initial values of momentum components, that

$$\begin{aligned}
v_r &= v_e \cos \theta_e \\
v_\theta &= v_e \sin \theta_e \cos \phi_e \\
v_\phi &= v_e \sin \theta_e \sin \phi_e
\end{aligned}
\tag{1-32}$$

where

$$v_e = c \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{\left[1 + \frac{E_e}{mc^2}\right]^2}}
\tag{1-33}$$

and

$$E_e = \frac{mc^2 \gamma^2 \xi}{1 + \gamma \xi}
\tag{1-34}$$

and

$$\xi = \frac{2 \cos^2 \theta_e}{(1+\gamma)^2 - \gamma(\gamma+2)\cos^2 \theta_e}
\tag{1-35}$$

and

$$\gamma = \frac{E}{mc^2}$$

The velocity components in Eqs. (1-32) determine the spherical components  $P_r$ ,  $P_\theta$ , and  $P_\phi$  of the momentum with the  $r$ -component in the direction of the gamma ray. For GLANC the rectangular components of the initial momentum are given by

$$\begin{aligned}
P_{x_0} &= P_\phi \\
P_{y_0} &= P_r \cos \theta + P_\theta \sin \theta \\
P_{z_0} &= -P_r \sin \theta + P_\theta \cos \theta
\end{aligned}
\tag{1-36}$$

where  $\theta$  is the illustrated angle of Figure (1-1).

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## SECTION 2

### THE MESH AND THE DIFFERENCE EQUATIONS

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#### 2.1 THE MESH

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GLANC uses a nonuniform z-mesh. Near the ground the gradients of the fields are large and a smaller mesh size is required. By examining the differential Eqs. (1-12), (1-15), and (1-16) which are to be differenced, we see that if  $E_z$  and  $B_x$  are carried at some mesh point  $z_k$ , then  $E_y$  should be carried at  $z_{k+1/2}$ . If the mesh is to be nonuniform, then the  $z_k$  mesh points should be exactly centered between the  $z_{k+1/2}$  mesh points, i.e., the  $E_z$  and  $B_x$  equations will be centered and only one equation, that for  $E_y$ , will then need special attention to make it centered. The z-mesh defined below accommodates these features.

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The z-mesh in the air is calculated from four input numbers:  $z_{oa}$  is the smallest mesh size in the air,  $n_{sa}$  is the number of "split" cells in the air,  $n_{fa}$  is the number of "final" cells in the air, and  $M_a$  is the magnification factor in the air. Figure (2-1) shows the mesh for a specific set of input numbers. Four similar numbers,  $z_{og}$ ,  $n_{sg}$ ,  $n_{fg}$ , and  $M_g$  are used for the ground mesh. The value of  $z$  on the ground is zero and  $z$  on the ground is indexed as  $z_{n_g+1+1/2}$ , where  $n_g$  and  $n_a$  are defined in Figure (2-1).  $E_y$  is indexed as  $z_{k+1/2}$  and  $B_x$ ,  $E_z$ ,  $J_y$ ,  $J_z$  and  $\sigma$  are indexed as  $z_k$ . The mesh always has two uniform mesh points just above the ground-air interface and two uniform mesh points just below the ground-air interface, these mesh increments being  $z_{oa}$  and  $z_{og}$ . The mesh increments are then (usually) increased by the magnification factors ( $M_a$  and/or  $M_g$  can be unity) for  $n_{sa}$  (or  $n_{sg}$ ) successive times. One then adds  $n_{fa}$  (or  $n_{fg}$ ) uniform increment

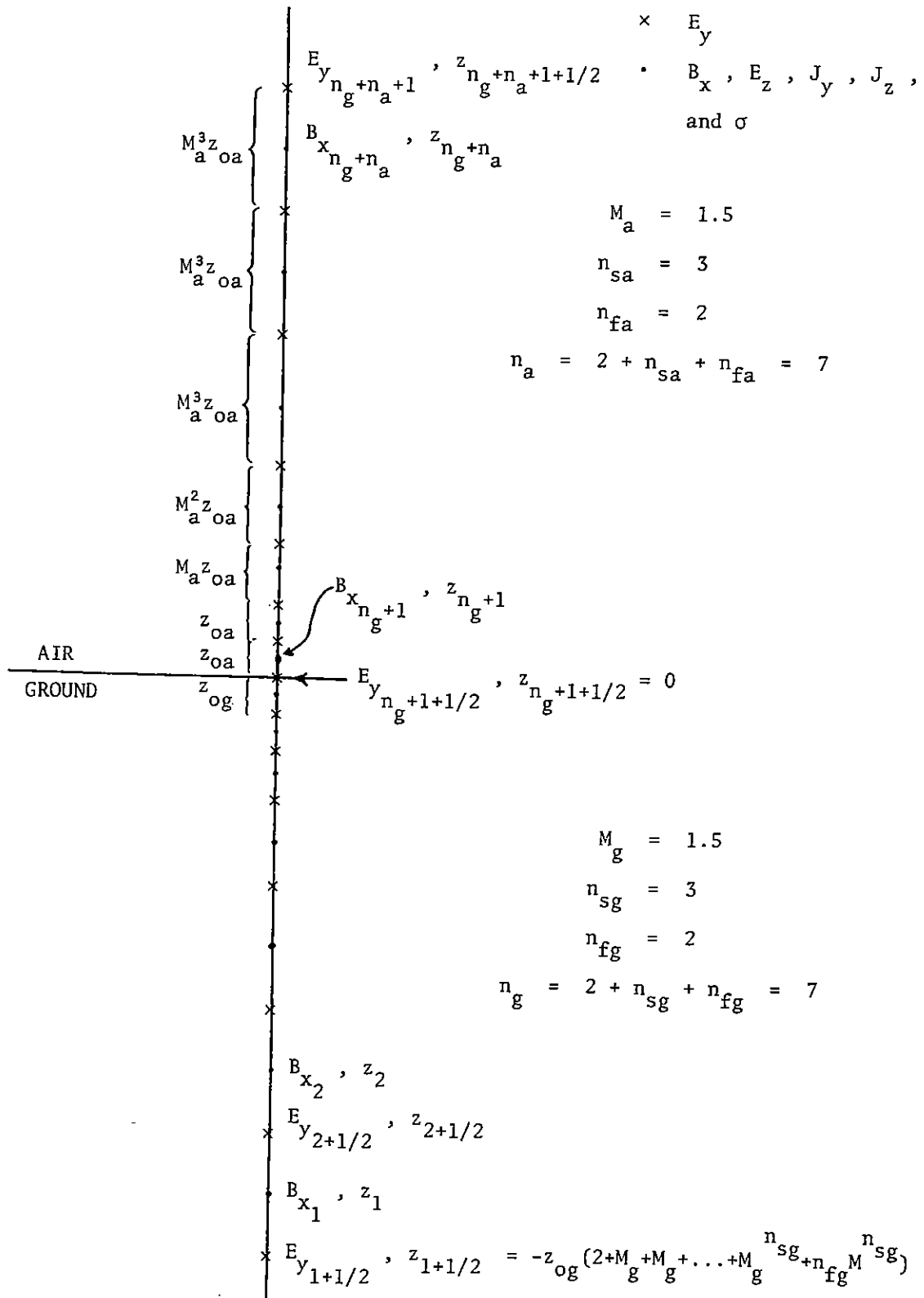


Figure (2-1). The mesh.



cells to the "top" (or "bottom") of the mesh. These last  $n_{fa}$  (or  $n_{fg}$ ) uniform increments are all of width  $M_a^{n_{sa}} z_{oa}$  (or  $M_g^{n_{sg}} z_{oa}$ ). One first calculates the  $z_{k+1/2}$ , for  $k = 1, n_g + n_a + 1$ , mesh points. Then set  $z_k = 1/2(z_{k+1+1/2} + z_{k+1/2})$  for  $k = 1, n_g + n_a$ . This last operation ensures that the  $z_k$  values are (exactly) centered between the correct  $z_{k+1/2}$  values.  $z_{k+1/2}$  is not centered between values of  $z_k$  in the nonuniform portions of the mesh. Thus the z-derivatives will automatically be centered when differencing the  $B_x$  and  $E_z$  equations but the  $E_y$  equation will require special attention. Conversely, if one forms values of  $z_k$  first and lets  $z_{k+1/2}$  be centered between these values of  $z_k$ , then one must give special attention to centering two equations instead of only one equation as above.

The time ( $\tau$ ) mesh is obtained by advancing forward in time by successive cycles. At the beginning of any time cycle, say  $\tau^n$  ( $n =$  cycle number), it is assumed that the mesh values ( $E_y, B_x, E_z$ , etc.) are known at  $\tau^n$  and the cycle calculation is performed to advance time to  $\tau^{n+1}$ . The time increment ( $\delta\tau$ ) is constant in GLANC, i.e.,  $\delta\tau = \tau^{n+1} - \tau^n$  for all  $n$ , due to the fact that GLANC is not designed to run to late (large) problem times.

The calculations performed during each cycle are ordered. This ordering is partly dictated by the variety of sources allowed and partly by implicit differencing considerations. In a cycle one first calculates the sources, i.e.,  $J_y, J_z$ , and  $\dot{\gamma}$ . ( $\dot{\gamma}$  is only calculated in the air.) Then  $n_e, n_-,$  and  $\sigma$  are calculated (only in the air). With  $\vec{J}$  and  $\sigma$  we then advance the fields  $E_y, E_z$ , and  $B_x$  in time. There are various kinds of input and output operations before, during, and after the cycling operations. The presentations of the various cycle calculations will not be given in the order described above in order to avoid various complications.

## 2.2 A GENERAL FORM FOR MOST DIFFERENCE EQUATIONS

Before presenting the difference equations, it may be noted that most of Maxwell's equations and the air-ion equations can be written in a

similar form. We note that if one has an equation of the form\*

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \xi} + \gamma f = \psi, \quad (2-1)$$

then the exact solution is

$$f(\xi) = e^{-\chi(\xi)} \left[ f(\xi_0) + \int_{\xi_0}^{\xi} \psi(\xi') e^{\chi(\xi')} d\xi' \right], \quad (2-2)$$

where  $\chi(\xi) \equiv \int_{\xi_0}^{\xi} \gamma(\xi'') d\xi''$ . To first order in  $\delta\xi = \xi - \xi_0$ , the solution to Eq. (2-2) is

$$f(\xi) = f(\xi_0) e^{-\bar{\chi}} + (1 - e^{-\bar{\chi}}) \left[ \frac{\psi}{\gamma} \right] \text{ at } \bar{\xi}, \quad (2-3)$$

where  $\bar{\chi} = \delta\xi \cdot \bar{\gamma}$  and  $\bar{\gamma}$  is  $\gamma$  evaluated at  $\bar{\xi} = 1/2(\xi + \xi_0)$ . For second order accuracy in the integral term of Eq. (2-2), one uses the following procedure. Let  $\Phi(\xi') \equiv \psi(\xi')/\gamma(\xi')$  so that  $\Phi_1 \equiv \Phi(\xi_0)$  and  $\Phi_2 \equiv \Phi(\xi)$ ; then for  $\Phi(\xi')$  assumed to be a linear function of  $\chi(\xi')$ , we calculate

$$f(\xi) = f(\xi_0) e^{-\bar{\chi}} + \Phi_1 \left[ \frac{1}{\bar{\chi}} (1 - e^{-\bar{\chi}}) - e^{-\bar{\chi}} \right] + \Phi_2 \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{\bar{\chi}} (1 - e^{-\bar{\chi}}) \right]. \quad (2-4)$$

The forms presented by Eqs. (2-3) and (2-4) will be evident in the difference equations as they are presented.

### 2.3 THE AIR-ION EQUATIONS

The air-ion equations (Eqs. (1-19) and (1-20)) are differenced as

$$n_{e_k}^{n+1} = n_{e_k}^n e^{-\Phi} + (1 - e^{-\Phi}) \left[ \frac{\dot{\gamma}}{\alpha + \beta n_+} \right]_k^n \quad (2-5)$$

and

\*The  $\gamma$  or other symbols used in this section have nothing to do with the same symbols used in the air-ion equations or elsewhere.

$$-1) \quad n_{-k}^{n+1} = n_{-k}^n e^{-\phi_-} + (1 - e^{-\phi_-}) \left[ \frac{\alpha n_e}{\gamma n_+} \right]_k^n \quad (2-6)$$

where

$$2) \quad \begin{aligned} \phi_e &\equiv [\alpha + \beta n_+]_k^n \frac{\delta\tau}{c}, \\ \phi_- &\equiv [\gamma n_+]_k^n \frac{\delta\tau}{c}, \quad \text{and} \end{aligned}$$

$n_+ = n_e + n_-$ . The values of  $n_e$  and  $n_-$  are then used to calculate ;

$$3) \quad \sigma_k^{n+1} = \frac{e}{c} [n_e \mu_e + (2n_- + n_e) \mu_i]_k^{n+1} \quad (2-7)$$

When the various parameters in Eqs. (2-5), (2-6) and (2-7) are field dependent (see Eqs. (1-24)) and should use the electric field magnitude ( $|E|^{n+1}$ ) which is not known at  $\tau^{n+1}$  in this portion of a cycle, one uses  $|E|^n$ . Also, one could have integrated the air-ion equation from  $\tau^{n-1}$  to  $\tau^{n+1}$  with a time interval of  $2\delta\tau$  by back storing  $n_e^{n-1}$  and  $n_-^{n-1}$  and thus formed equations like Eqs. (2-5) and (2-6) which would be time centered. This last procedure was not considered necessary in GLANC. This is because essentially no error is introduced and the added storage requirements were not desirable. We do, however, have  $J_y$ ,  $J_z$ , and  $\sigma$  at two successive times for centering Maxwell's equations.

#### 2.4 MAXWELL'S EQUATIONS

We will first difference the  $E_y$  equation (Eq. (1-12)) so that it will be centered in the nonuniform (and uniform) portion of the mesh. We will use the form indicated by Eq. (2-4) and with the indexing indicated in Figure (2-1). In the air ( $\epsilon = 1$ ) we write (for  $k = n_g + 2$  to  $n_g + n_a$ ),

$$\begin{aligned}
E_{y_{k+1/2}}^{n+1} \left( \frac{1}{1+\Delta_{a_k}} \right) + \left( \frac{\Delta_{a_k}}{1+\Delta_{a_k}} \right) E_{y_{k+1+1/2}}^{n+1} &= e^{-Y} \left[ E_{y_{k+1/2}}^n \left( \frac{1}{1+\Delta_{a_k}} \right) + \left( \frac{\Delta_{a_k}}{1+\Delta_{a_k}} \right) E_{y_{k+1+1/2}}^n \right] \\
+ \left[ \frac{1}{Y} (1-e^{-Y}) - e^{-Y} \right] &\left[ -\frac{J_{y_{k+1/2}}^n}{\sigma_{k+1/2}^n} + \frac{B_{x_k}^n - B_{x_{k-1}}^n}{4\pi\sigma_{k+1/2}^n (z_k - z_{k-1})} \right] \\
+ \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{Y} (1-e^{-Y}) \right] &\left[ -\frac{J_{y_{k+1/2}}^{n+1}}{\sigma_{k+1/2}^{n+1}} + \frac{B_{x_k}^{n+1} - B_{x_{k-1}}^{n+1}}{4\pi\sigma_{k+1/2}^{n+1} (z_k - z_{k-1})} \right] \quad (2-8)
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta_{a_k} &= \frac{z_{c_k} - z_{k+1/2}}{z_{k+1+1/2} - z_{c_k}} \quad , \\
z_{c_k} &= \frac{1}{2}(z_k + z_{k-1}) \quad , \\
Y &= 2\pi\delta\tau (\sigma_k^{n+1/2} + \sigma_{k-1}^{n+1/2}) \quad , \\
\sigma_k^{n+1/2} &= \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_k^n + \sigma_k^{n+1}) \quad , \\
\sigma_{k+1/2}^n &= \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_k^n + \sigma_{k-1}^n) \quad (\text{or replace } n \text{ by } n+1) \quad ,
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$J_{y_{k+1/2}}^{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left( J_{y_k}^{n+1} + J_{y_{k-1}}^{n+1} \right) \quad (\text{or, replace } n+1 \text{ by } n) \quad .$$

Eq. (2-8) is centered at  $z_{c_k}$ . If the mesh is uniform, then  $z_{c_k} = z_{k+1/2}$  and  $\Delta_{a_k}$  is zero. For our nonuniform mesh  $\Delta_{a_k}$  is normally small and depends on the magnification factor in the air. The left-hand side of Eq. (2-8) is the interpolated (not extrapolated) value of  $E_y$  at  $z_{c_k}$  and at  $\tau^{n+1}$ . The first bracket on the right side of this equation is  $E_y$  at  $z_{c_k}$  and at  $\tau^n$ . The rest of the terms on the right side of Eq. (2-8) are centered at  $z_{c_k}$  by the definition of  $z_{c_k}$  and the positions in the mesh of  $B_x$ ,  $J_y$ , and  $\sigma$ . To make the implicit character more emphatic and to facilitate later operations, we write Eq. (2-8) (for  $k = n_g + 2$  to  $n_g + n_a$ ) as,

$$E_{y_{k+1/2}}^{n+1} \left( \frac{1}{1+\Delta a_k} \right) + \left( \frac{\Delta a_k}{1+\Delta a_k} \right) E_{y_{k+1+1/2}}^{n+1} = D_{1k} + D_{2k} \left( B_{x_k}^{n+1} - B_{x_{k-1}}^{n+1} \right) \quad (2-9)$$

where

$$D_{1k} \equiv e^{-Y} \left[ E_{y_{k+1/2}}^n \left( \frac{1}{1+\Delta a_k} \right) + \left( \frac{\Delta a_k}{1+\Delta a_k} \right) E_{y_{k+1+1/2}}^n \right] \\ + \left[ \frac{1}{Y} (1-e^{-Y}) - e^{-Y} \right] \left[ - \frac{J_{y_{k+1/2}}^n}{\sigma_{k+1/2}^n} + \frac{B_{x_k}^n - B_{x_{k-1}}^n}{4\pi\sigma_{k+1/2}^n (z_k = z_{k-1})} \right] \\ - \frac{J_{y_{k+1/2}}^{n+1}}{\sigma_{k+1/2}^n} \left[ 1 - \frac{1-e^{-Y}}{Y} \right]$$

and

$$D_{2k} \equiv \left[ 1 - \frac{1-e^{-Y}}{Y} \right] \frac{1}{4\pi\sigma_{k+1/2}^{n+1} (z_k - z_{k-1})}$$

In the ground we have  $\epsilon > 1$  and  $\sigma = \sigma_0$  so that, by similar techniques as used above, the  $E_y$  equation (for  $k=2$  to  $n_g$ ) is written as

$$E_{y_{k+1/2}}^{n+1} \left( \frac{1}{1+\Delta g_k} \right) + \left( \frac{\Delta g_k}{1+\Delta g_k} \right) E_{y_{k-1+1/2}}^{n+1} = D_{1k} + D_{2k} \left( B_{x_k}^{n+1} - B_{x_{k-1}}^{n+1} \right) \quad (2-10)$$

where

$$z_{c_k} = \frac{1}{2}(z_k + z_{k-1}) \quad ,$$

$$\Delta_{g_k} = \frac{z_{k+1/2} - z_{c_k}}{z_{c_k} - z_{k-1-1/2}} \quad ,$$

$$Y_0 = \frac{4\pi\sigma_0}{\epsilon} \delta\tau \quad ,$$

$$J_{k+1/2}^n = \frac{1}{2} \left( J_{y_k}^n + J_{y_{k-1}}^n \right) \quad (\text{or, replace } n \text{ by } n+1) \quad ,$$

$$D_{1k} \equiv e^{-Y_0} \left[ E_{y_{k+1/2}}^n \left( \frac{1}{1+\Delta g_k} \right) + \left( \frac{\Delta g_k}{1+\Delta g_k} \right) E_{y_{k-1+1/2}}^n \right] \\ + \left[ \frac{1}{Y_0} (1-e^{-Y_0}) - e^{-Y_0} \right] \left[ \frac{J_{y_{k+1/2}}^n}{\sigma_0} + \frac{B_{x_k}^n - B_{x_{k-1}}^n}{4\pi\sigma_0 (z_k - z_{k-1})} \right] \\ - \left[ 1 - \frac{1-e^{-Y_0}}{Y_0} \right] \frac{J_{y_{k+1/2}}^{n+1}}{\sigma_0}$$

and

$$D_{2k} \equiv \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{Y_0} (1-e^{-Y_0}) \right] \frac{1}{4\pi\sigma_0 (z_k - z_{k-1})}$$

Note that  $\Delta g_k$  is zero in a uniform mesh and that we have again interpolated (not extrapolated) to center the equation. The symbols  $D_{1k}$  and  $D_{2k}$  are again used though the index now runs from two to  $n_g$ .

The solution for  $E_y$  on the ground-air interface ( $k = n_g + 1 \equiv L$ ) is a little more involved.  $E_y$  and  $B_x$  are continuous at the interface and  $E_z$  is discontinuous.  $E_y$ ,  $B_x$ , and  $E_z$  all have discontinuous derivatives at the interface. We thus write the  $E_y$  equation twice, once centered just above the interface and once centered just below the interface, and use these two equations to eliminate  $B_x$  on the ground ( $B_{x_g}^{n+1}$ ). Thus we write the  $E_y$  equation centered  $1/4^{\text{th}}$  of  $z_{oa}$  above the interface as (for  $k = n_g + 1 \equiv L$  and, for simplicity, dropping the  $1/2$  on the  $E_y$  index),

$$\frac{3}{4} E_{y_L}^{n+1} + \frac{1}{4} E_{y_{L+1}}^{n+1} = \bar{D}_{1L} + \bar{D}_{2L} \left( B_{x_L}^{n+1} - B_{x_g}^{n+1} \right) \quad (2-11)$$

and the  $E_y$  equation centered  $1/4^{\text{th}}$  of  $z_{og}$  below the interface as,

$$\frac{3}{4} E_{y_L}^{n+1} + \frac{1}{4} E_{y_{L-1}}^{n+1} = \bar{D}_{1L} + \bar{D}_{2L} \left( B_{x_g}^{n+1} - B_{x_{L-1}}^{n+1} \right) \quad (2-12)$$

where

$$\bar{Y} = \frac{1}{4\pi\sigma_{L+1/4}^{n+1/2}} \delta\tau$$

$$Y_0 = \frac{4\pi\sigma_0}{\epsilon} \delta\tau \quad ,$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \sigma_{L+1/4} &= \frac{5}{4} \sigma_L - \frac{1}{4} \sigma_{L+1} \\ J_{y_{L+1/4}} &= \frac{5}{4} J_{y_L} - \frac{1}{4} J_{y_{L+1}} \\ J_{y_{L-1/4}} &= \frac{5}{4} J_{y_{L-1}} - \frac{1}{4} J_{y_{L-2}} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{(all at } n, n+1, \text{ or } n+1/2)$$

$$D_{1L} \equiv e^{-\bar{Y}} \left[ \frac{3}{4} E_{y_L}^n + \frac{1}{4} E_{y_{L+1}}^n \right] + \left[ \frac{1}{\bar{Y}} (1 - e^{-\bar{Y}}) - e^{-\bar{Y}} \right] \left[ - \frac{J_{y_{L+1/4}}^n}{\sigma_{L+1/4}^n} + \frac{B_{x_L}^n - B_{x_g}^n}{4\pi\sigma_{L+1/4}^n \left( \frac{1}{2} z_{oa} \right)} \right] \\ - \frac{J_{y_{L+1/4}}^{n+1}}{\sigma_{L+1/4}^{n+1}} \left[ 1 - \frac{1 - e^{-\bar{Y}}}{\bar{Y}} \right] \quad ,$$

$$D_{2L} \equiv \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{\bar{Y}} (1 - e^{-\bar{Y}}) \right] \frac{1}{4\pi\sigma_{L+1/4}^{n+1} \left( \frac{1}{2} z_{oa} \right)} \quad ,$$

$$\bar{D}_{1L} = e^{-Y_0} \left[ \frac{3}{4} E_{y_L}^n + \frac{1}{4} E_{y_{L-1}}^n \right] + \left[ \frac{1}{Y_0} (1 - e^{-Y_0}) - e^{-Y_0} \right] \left[ - \frac{J_{y_{L-1/4}}^n}{\sigma_0} + \frac{B_{x_g}^n - B_{x_{L-1}}^n}{4\pi\sigma_0 \left( \frac{1}{2} z_{og} \right)} \right] \\ - \frac{J_{y_{L-1/4}}^{n+1}}{\sigma_0} \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{Y_0} (1 - e^{-Y_0}) \right] \quad ,$$

and

$$\bar{D}_{2L} = \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{Y_0} (1 - e^{-Y_0}) \right] \frac{1}{4\pi\sigma_0 \left( \frac{1}{2} z_{og} \right)} \quad .$$

$\bar{D}_{1L}$  and  $\bar{D}_{2L}$  are two numbers which are calculated and stored separately from the  $D_{1k}$  and  $D_{2k}$  meshes. Though one is always worried by having to use extrapolations, the extrapolations for  $\sigma_{L+1/4}$  and  $J_{y_{L\pm 1/4}}$  in GLANC give no problems, probably due to the fact that the curvature of these source functions is small near the ground and due to the small mesh size near the ground. We first solve Eq. (2-11) and (2-12) for  $B_{x_g}^{n+1}$  and find

$$\left. \begin{aligned}
 B_{x_g}^{n+1} &= \frac{1}{D_{2L}} \left[ \frac{3}{4} E_{y_L}^{n+1} - \frac{1}{4} E_{y_{L+1}}^{n+1} + D_{1L} + D_{2L} B_{x_L}^{n+1} \right] \\
 -B_{x_g}^{n+1} &= \frac{1}{\bar{D}_{2L}} \left[ \frac{3}{4} E_{y_L}^{n+1} - \frac{1}{4} E_{y_{L-1}}^{n+1} + \bar{D}_{1L} - \bar{D}_{2L} B_{x_{L-1}}^{n+1} \right]
 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (2-13)$$

Adding these two equations gives one equation in which  $B_{x_g}^{n+1}$  is eliminated.

This one equation, with the terms collected and multiplied by  $D_{2L}$ , gives

$$E_{y_L}^{n+1} \frac{3}{4} \left( 1 + \frac{D_{2L}}{\bar{D}_{2L}} \right) + \frac{1}{4} E_{y_{L+1}}^{n+1} + \frac{1}{4} \frac{D_{2L}}{\bar{D}_{2L}} E_{y_{L-1}}^{n+1} = \left( D_{1L} + \bar{D}_{1L} \frac{D_{2L}}{\bar{D}_{2L}} \right) + D_{2L} \left( B_{x_L}^{n+1} - B_{x_{L-1}}^{n+1} \right) \quad (2-14)$$

It should be noted that  $B_{x_g}^n$  is needed to calculate  $D_{1L}$  and to calculate  $\bar{D}_{1L}$  and therefore must have been back stored before the cycle began. One thus needs a value of  $B_{x_g}^n$  initially (zero time solution), which will be given later in this report. Also, at the end of a cycle when  $E_y$  and  $B_x$  are known at  $\tau^{n+1}$ , one must calculate  $B_{x_g}^{n+1}$  from (one of) the Eqs. (2-13) and store this number so it can be used for  $B_{x_g}^n$  in the next cycle. Since the calculation of the fields is implicit we must have all the difference equations to solve for the fields. After differencing the  $B_x$  equation and the  $E_z$  equation we will then return to the use of Eqs. (2-11), (2-12) and (2-14).

The  $B_x$  Eq. (1-16) is not of the form of Eq. (2-1) and is differenced with space and time centering in the usual differencing manner in the air as,

$$B_{x_k}^{n+1} = B_{x_k}^n - \frac{\delta\tau}{1-\cos^2\theta} \left[ 2\pi \cos\theta \left( \sigma_k^n E_{z_k}^n + \sigma_k^{n+1} E_{z_k}^{n+1} \right) + 4\pi \cos\theta J_{z_k}^{n+1/2} - \frac{E_{y_{k+1+1/2}}^{n+1} + E_{y_{k+1+1/2}}^n - E_{y_{k+1/2}}^{n+1} - E_{y_{k+1/2}}^n}{2 \{ z_{k+1+1/2} - z_{k+1/2} \}} \right] \quad (2-15)$$



The only pitfall one will encounter in differencing this equation is that poor (inaccurate) results will occur if the nonlinear term  $(\sigma E_z)_k^{n+1/2}$  is differenced as  $\sigma_k^{n+1/2} E_{z_k}^{n+1/2}$  instead of  $\frac{1}{2}(\sigma_k^n E_{z_k}^n + \sigma_k^{n+1} E_{z_k}^{n+1})$  as is shown in Eq. (2-15). We write Eq. (2-15) in the air for a burst point above the ground-air interface as (for  $k = n_g + 1$  to  $n_g + n_a$ )

$$B_{x_k}^{n+1} = C_{1k} + C_{2k} E_{z_k}^{n+1} + C_{3k} \left( E_{y_{k+1+1/2}}^{n+1} - E_{y_{k+1/2}}^{n+1} \right) \quad (2-16)$$

where (for  $k = n_g + 1$  to  $n_g + n_a$ )

$$J_{z_k}^{n+1/2} = \frac{1}{2} \left( J_{z_k}^{n+1} + J_{z_k}^n \right),$$

$$C_{1k} \equiv B_{x_k}^n - \frac{\delta\tau}{1 - \cos^2\theta} \left\{ 2\pi \cos\theta \sigma_k^n E_{z_k}^n + 4\pi \cos\theta J_{z_k}^{n+1/2} - \frac{E_{y_{k+1+1/2}}^n - E_{y_{k+1/2}}^n}{2(z_{k+1+1/2} - z_{k+1/2})} \right\}$$

$$C_{2k} \equiv - \frac{\delta\tau}{1 - \cos^2\theta} 2\pi \cos\theta \sigma_k^{n+1},$$

$$C_{3k} \equiv \frac{\delta\tau}{2(1 - \cos^2\theta) (z_{k+1+1/2} - z_{k+1/2})}.$$

Similarly, the  $B_x$  equation in the ground is given by Eq. (2-16) when we define (for  $k = 1$  to  $n_g$ )

$$C_{1k} \equiv B_{x_k}^n - \frac{\delta\tau}{\epsilon - \cos^2\theta} \left\{ 2\pi\sigma_0 \cos\theta E_{z_k}^n + 4\pi \cos\theta J_{z_k}^{n+1/2} - \frac{\epsilon (E_{y_{k+1+1/2}}^n - E_{y_{k+1/2}}^n)}{2(z_{k+1+1/2} - z_{k+1/2})} \right\}$$

$$C_{2k} \equiv - \frac{\delta\tau}{\epsilon - \cos^2\theta} 2\pi\sigma_0 \cos\theta,$$

$$C_{3k} \equiv \frac{\delta\tau}{2(\epsilon - \cos^2\theta) (z_{k+1+1/2} - z_{k+1/2})}.$$

When the burst is on the ground ( $\cos\theta = 1$ ) we use Eq. (1-18) in the air and difference it as,

$$B_{x_k}^{n+1} = B_{x_k}^n + E_{z_k}^{n+1} - E_k^n + \frac{\delta\tau}{2} \frac{E_{y_{k+1+1/2}}^{n+1} + E_{y_{k+1+1/2}}^n - E_{y_{k+1/2}}^{n+1} - E_{y_{k+1/2}}^n}{z_{k+1+1/2} - z_{k+1/2}} \quad (2-17)$$

or, we can write (2-17) as (2-16) if we define (for  $k = n_g + 1$  to  $n_g + n_a$ ),

$$C_{1k} \equiv E_{xk}^n - E_{zk}^n + \frac{\delta\tau}{2} \frac{E_{yk+1+1/2}^n - E_{yk+1/2}^n}{z_{k+1+1/2} - z_{k+1/2}},$$

$$C_{2k} \equiv 1.0,$$

and

$$C_{3k} \equiv \frac{\delta\tau}{2} \frac{1}{z_{k+1+1/2} - z_{k+1/2}}.$$

The  $E_z$  equation (Eq. (1-15)) is of the form of Eq. (2-1) and can be differenced in the form of Eq. (2-4), i.e., in the air ( $k = n_g + 1$  to  $n_g + n_a$ ) with the burst point above the ground-air interface we have

$$\begin{aligned} E_{zk}^{n+1} = & e^{-Z} E_{zk}^n + \left[ \frac{1-e^{-Z}}{Z} - e^{-Z} \right] \left[ -\frac{J_{zk}^n}{\sigma_k^n} + \frac{\cos\theta \left( E_{yk+1+1/2}^n - E_{yk+1/2}^n \right)}{4\pi\sigma_k^n \left( z_{k+1+1/2} - z_{k+1/2} \right)} \right] \\ & + \left[ 1 - \frac{1-e^{-Z}}{Z} \right] \left[ -\frac{J_{zk}^{n+1}}{\sigma_k^{n+1}} + \frac{\cos\theta \left( E_{yk+1+1/2}^{n+1} - E_{yk+1/2}^{n+1} \right)}{4\pi\sigma_k^{n+1} \left( z_{k+1+1/2} - z_{k+1/2} \right)} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (2-18)$$

where

$$Z = \frac{2\pi\delta\tau(\sigma_k^{n+1} + \sigma_k^n)}{1 - \cos^2\theta}$$

Write (2-18) as

$$E_{zk}^{n+1} = G_{1k} + G_{2k} \left( E_{yk+1+1/2}^{n+1} - E_{yk+1/2}^{n+1} \right) \quad (2-19)$$

where we define (for  $k = n_g + 1$  to  $n_g + n_a$ )

$$\begin{aligned} G_{1k} \equiv & e^{-Z} E_{zk}^n + \left[ \frac{1-e^{-Z}}{Z} - e^{-Z} \right] \left[ -\frac{J_{zk}^n}{\sigma_k^n} + \frac{\cos\theta \left( E_{yk+1+1/2}^n - E_{yk+1/2}^n \right)}{4\pi\sigma_k^n \left( z_{k+1+1/2} - z_{k+1/2} \right)} \right] \\ & - \frac{J_{zk}^{n+1}}{\sigma_k^{n+1}} \left[ 1 - \frac{1-e^{-Z}}{Z} \right], \end{aligned}$$

and

$$G_{2k} \equiv \left[ 1 - \frac{1-e^{-Z}}{Z} \right] \frac{\cos \theta}{4\pi\sigma_k^{n+1} (z_{k+1+1/2}^{-z_{k+1/2}})}$$

In the ground the  $E_z$  equation is also given by Eq. (2-19) when we define (for  $k = 1$  to  $n_g$ ),

$$G_{1k} \equiv e^{-Z_0} E_{zk}^n + \left[ \frac{1-e^{-Z_0}}{Z_0} - e^{-Z_0} \right] \left[ -\frac{J_{zk}^n}{\sigma_0} + \frac{\cos \theta (E_{yk+1+1/2}^n - E_{yk+1/2}^n)}{4\pi\sigma_0 (z_{k+1+1/2}^{-z_{k+1/2}})} \right] - \frac{J_{zk}^{n+1}}{\sigma_0} \left[ 1 - \frac{1-e^{-Z_0}}{Z_0} \right],$$

and

$$G_{2k} \equiv \left[ 1 - \frac{1-e^{-Z_0}}{Z_0} \right] \frac{\cos \theta}{4\pi\sigma_0 (z_{k+1+1/2}^{-z_{k+1/2}})},$$

where

$$Z_0 \equiv \frac{4\pi\sigma_0 \delta \tau}{\epsilon - \cos^2 \theta}$$

If the burst is on the ground, then in the air we use Eq. (1-17) for  $E_z$  and difference it as

$$E_{zk}^{n+1} = \frac{E_{yk+1+1/2}^{n+1} - E_{yk+1/2}^{n+1}}{4\pi\sigma_k^{n+1} (z_{k+1+1/2}^{-z_{k+1/2}})} - \frac{J_{zk}^{n+1}}{\sigma_k^{n+1}} \quad (2-20)$$

or, to make the  $E_z$  equation have the same difference form as Eq. (2-19), we define (for  $k = n_g+1$  to  $n_g+n_a$ ),

$$G_{1k} \equiv -\frac{J_{zk}^{n+1}}{\sigma_k^{n+1}},$$

and

$$G_{2k} \equiv \frac{1}{4\pi\sigma_k^{n+1} (z_{k+1+1/2}^{-z_{k+1/2}})}$$

The implicit solution to Maxwell's equations in difference form can now be given. One first eliminates  $E_{zk}^{n+1}$  from the  $B_x$  equation (2-16) by substitution of  $E_{zk}^{n+1}$  from Eq. (2-19). Then one forms the difference ( $k = 2$  to  $n_g+n_a$ ),

$$B_{x_k}^{n+1} - B_{x_{k-1}}^{n+1} = \chi_{1k} + \chi_{2k} E_{y_{k+1+1/2}}^{n+1} - \chi_{3k} E_{y_{k+1/2}}^{n+1} + \chi_{4k} E_{y_{k-1+1/2}}^{n+1} \quad (2-21)$$

where

$$\chi_{1k} \equiv C_{1k} - C_{1_{k-1}} + C_{2k} G_{1k} - C_{2_{k-1}} G_{1_{k-1}} \quad ,$$

$$\chi_{2k} \equiv C_{2k} G_{2k} + C_{3k} \quad ,$$

$$\chi_{3k} \equiv C_{2k} G_{2k} + C_{3k} + C_{2_{k-1}} G_{2_{k-1}} + C_{3_{k-1}} \quad ,$$

and

$$\chi_{4k} \equiv C_{2_{k-1}} G_{2_{k-1}} + C_{3_{k-1}} \quad .$$

With Eq. (2-21) inserted into the  $E_y$  equations (Eqs. (2-9), (2-10) and (2-14)) we obtain a three-value difference equation for  $E_y$  and write the result as (for  $k = 2$  to  $n_g + n_a$ )

$$E_{y_{k+1/2}}^{n+1} A_{1k} + E_{y_{k+1+1/2}}^{n+1} A_{2k} + E_{y_{k-1+1/2}}^{n+1} A_{3k} = A_{4k} \quad (2-22)$$

where the coefficients are given by the matrix

	$k = 2$ to $n_g$	$k = n_g + 1 = L$	$k = n_g + 2$ to $n_g + n_a$
$A_{1k} =$	$\frac{1}{1+\Delta_{gk}} + D_{2k} \chi_{3k}$	$\frac{3}{4} \left( 1 + \frac{D_{2k}}{\bar{D}_{2k}} \right) + D_{2k} \chi_{3k}$	$\frac{1}{1+\Delta_{ak}} + D_{2k} \chi_{3k}$
$A_{2k} =$	$-D_{2k} \chi_{2k}$	$\frac{1}{4} - D_{2k} \chi_{2k}$	$\frac{\Delta_{ak}}{1+\Delta_{ak}} - D_{2k} \chi_{2k}$
$A_{3k} =$	$\frac{\Delta_{gk}}{1+\Delta_{gk}} - D_{2k} \chi_{4k}$	$\frac{1}{4} \frac{D_{2k}}{\bar{D}_{2k}} - D_{2k} \chi_{4k}$	$-D_{2k} \chi_{4k}$
$A_{4k} =$	$D_{1k} + D_{2k} \chi_{1k}$	$D_{1k} + \bar{D}_{1k} \frac{D_{2k}}{\bar{D}_{2k}} + D_{2k} \chi_{1k}$	$D_{1k} + D_{2k} \chi_{1k}$

To solve Eq. (2-22) one needs a boundary condition so that  $E_{y_{1+1/2}}^{n+1}$  can be obtained and a boundary condition so that  $E_{y_{n_g+n_a+1+1/2}}^{n+1}$

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can be obtained. We let  $E_{y_{1+1/2}}^{n+1}$  (for all  $n$ ) be zero, i.e., we place an infinite conductor at our deepest mesh point in the ground. Thus, by selecting the four input parameters which define the ground mesh in an appropriate manner, one can either make the mesh deep enough in the ground that no electromagnetic signal reaches the infinite conductor or make the mesh a desired depth which will show the reflection of an electromagnetic pulse. At the largest value of  $z$  in the air we solve Eq. (2-8) for  $E_{y_{N+1+1/2}}^{n+1}$  by assuming that  $B_{x_{N+1}}^{n+1} = -\eta B_N^{n+1}$ , where  $N \equiv n_g + n_a$ . This "upper" boundary condition has the effect of stabilizing the field calculations at the "open end" of our calculation. Before giving the details of this upper boundary condition we must first solve Eq. (2-22).

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To solve Eq. (2-22) we let (for  $k = 2$  to  $n_g + n_a$ ),

$$E_{y_{k+1/2}}^{n+1} = e_k E_{y_{k+1+1/2}}^{n+1} + f_k \quad (2-23)$$

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define  $e_k$  and  $f_k$ . Then

$$E_{y_{k-1+1/2}}^{n+1} = e_{k-1} E_{y_{k+1/2}}^{n+1} + f_{k-1}$$

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substituted into Eq. (2-22) gives

$$E_{y_{k+1/2}}^{n+1} = E_{y_{k+1+1/2}}^{n+1} \left( \frac{-A_{2k}}{A_{1k} + A_{3k} e_{k-1}} \right) + \left( \frac{A_{4k} - A_{3k} f_{k-1}}{A_{1k} + A_{3k} e_{k-1}} \right)$$

or, by Eq. (2-23),

$$\left. \begin{aligned} e_k &= \frac{-A_{2k}}{A_{1k} + A_{3k} e_{k-1}} \\ \text{and} \\ f_k &= \frac{A_{4k} - A_{3k} f_{k-1}}{A_{1k} + A_{3k} e_{k-1}} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (2-24)$$

which are the recursion relations for  $e_k$  and  $f_k$  ( $k = 2$  to  $N = n_g + n_a$ ). With  $k = 2$  and  $E_{y_{1+1/2}}^{n+1} = 0$  (lower boundary condition) Eq. (2-22) gives

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$$E_{y2+1/2}^{n+1} = E_{y3+1/2}^{n+1} \frac{-A_2 z}{A_{12}} + \frac{A_4 z}{A_{12}}$$

or, by Eq. (2-23)

$$e_2 = \frac{-A_2 z}{A_{12}}$$

and

$$f_2 = \frac{A_4 z}{A_{12}}$$

(2-25)

With the recursion relations (Eqs. (2-24) and (2-25)) one solves for  $e_k$  and  $f_k$  for  $k = 2$  to  $N$ . With the quantity  $E_{yN+1+1/2}^{n+1}$  known (as will be given below) and the values of  $e_k$  and  $f_k$  known, one solves Eq. (2-23) by (backward) recursion for all values of  $E_{yk+1/2}^{n+1}$  for  $k = N$  to  $k = 2$ . With all mesh values of  $E_y$  known at  $\tau^{n+1}$ , one solves for all mesh values of  $E_z$  at  $\tau^{n+1}$  by using Eq. (2-19). Then the values of  $B_x$  at  $\tau^{n+1}$  can be found from Eq. (2-16) and Maxwell's equations will have been advanced one time step.

The following procedures are used to obtain the value of  $E_{yN+1+1/2}^{n+1}$ . The  $E_y$  equation is differenced as in Eq. (2-8) except:  $\Delta_{ak} = 0$  in the uniform mesh,  $J_y$  and  $\sigma$  at  $k = N$  and  $k = N-1$  are used to extrapolate to  $z_{N+1+1/2}$ , and  $B_{xN+1}^{n+1} = -\eta B_{xN}^{n+1}$  as discussed above. One obtains an equation

$$E_{yN+1+1/2}^{n+1} = D_{1N+1} - D_{2N+1} B_{xN}^{n+1} (\eta+1) \quad (2-26)$$

where  $D_{1N+1}$  and  $D_{2N+1}$  are essentially calculated as in Eq. (2-9), except for the extrapolated values of  $J_y$  and  $\sigma$ . The gradients of  $J_y$  and  $\sigma$  are small at the upper boundary so these extrapolations do not cause any problems. The input constant  $\eta$  was set to unity in most problems and very little effect was observed with its reasonable variation from unity. Substituting in Eq. (2-26) for  $B_{xN}^{n+1}$  by Eq. (2-16) and then for  $E_{zN}^{n+1}$  by Eq. (2-19), we find

$$E_{y_{N+1/2}}^{n+1} = E_{y_{N+1+1/2}}^{n+1} e'_N + f'_N \quad (2-27)$$

where

$$e'_N = \frac{1 + D_{2N+1}(\eta+1)(C_{2N}G_{2N} + C_{3N})}{D_{2N+1}(\eta+1)(C_{2N}G_{2N} + C_{3N})}$$

and

$$f'_N = \frac{-D_{1N+1} + D_{2N+1}(\eta+1)(C_{1N} + C_{2N}G_{1N})}{D_{2N+1}(\eta+1)(C_{2N}G_{2N} + C_{3N})}$$

Eq. (2-27) and Eq. (2-23) with  $k = N$  are then used to eliminate  $E_{y_{N+1/2}}^{n+1}$  and find

$$E_{y_{N+1+1/2}}^{n+1} = -\frac{f'_N - e'_N E_{y_{N+1/2}}^{n+1}}{e'_N - 1} \quad (2-28)$$

## 2.5 THE EQUATIONS OF MOTION

The semi-implicit method used to difference the equations of motion (Eqs. (1-30)) in GLANC, which will now be given, was selected on the basis of simplicity, of calculational speed, and of accuracy. Differencing Eqs. (1-30), we have

$$p_x^{n+1} = p_x^n - \frac{\delta\tau A^n (p_x^{n+1} + p_x^n)}{2 \left(1 - \cos\theta \frac{v_y^n}{c}\right) c p^n}$$

$$p_y^{n+1} = p_y^n - \frac{\frac{e}{c} \delta\tau \left(E_y^n + \left(\frac{v_z}{c}\right)^n B_x^n\right)}{1 - \cos\theta \frac{v_y^n}{c}} - \frac{\delta\tau A^n (p_y^{n+1} + p_y^n)}{2 \left(1 - \cos\theta \frac{v_y^n}{c}\right) c p^n} \quad (2-29)$$

$$p_z^{n+1} = p_z^n - \frac{\frac{e}{c} \delta\tau \left(E_z^n - \left(\frac{v_y}{c}\right)^n B_x^n\right)}{1 - \cos\theta \frac{v_y^n}{c}} - \frac{\delta\tau A^n (p_z^{n+1} + p_z^n)}{2 \left(1 - \cos\theta \frac{v_y^n}{c}\right) c p^n}$$

If one defines

$$\xi = \frac{A^n \delta\tau}{2 \left(1 - \cos\theta \frac{v_y^n}{c}\right) cP^n}, \quad (2-30)$$

then Eqs. (2-29) simplify to

$$\begin{aligned} p_x^{n+1} &= p_x^n \frac{1-\xi}{1+\xi} \\ p_y^{n+1} &= \frac{p_y^n (1-\xi) - \frac{e}{c} \delta\tau \left[ E_y^n + \frac{v_z^n}{c} B_x^n \right]}{1+\xi} \\ p_z^{n+1} &= \frac{p_z^n (1-\xi) - \frac{e}{c} \delta\tau \left[ E_z^n - \left(\frac{v_y}{c}\right)^n B_x^n \right]}{1+\xi} \end{aligned} \quad (2-31)$$

The location in the z-mesh of the particle with momentum  $\vec{p}$  is known by the use of Eq. (1-31). The fields used in Eqs. (2-31) are evaluated at the particle location by interpolation of the field mesh values.

There are six numbers carried in the computing machine for each particle that is injected. Besides the three momentum components and the position in the z-mesh, a "weight" is carried and an index ( $K_p$ ) is carried. The weight is discussed in a later section. The index  $K_p$  is zero if the particle has been "turned off." The index  $K_p$  is equal to  $k$  if the particle is in cell  $z_k$ , i.e., if the particle location  $z_p$  satisfies  $z_{k+1/2} \leq z_p < z_{k+1+1/2}$ , and if the particle is "turned on" or active. It may be noted that the index  $K_p$  is not necessary, i.e., the weight of the particle can be zero to indicate if the particle is "off" and greater than zero to indicate the particle is "on" and one can locate the cell the particle is in from the number  $z_p$ . However, the nonuniform mesh would make the search for the cell containing  $z_p$  rather time consuming and, thus, we use the index  $K_p$ .



The drag force (Eq. (1-27) becomes infinite as the electron energy approaches zero. Thus  $\xi$  as given by Eq. (2-30) is used as an indicator to turn off an active particle when its energy is so small that the particle no longer contributes in the source calculation. The particle is turned off if  $\xi \geq 0.5$ .

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## SECTION 3

### SOURCES

#### 3.1 INTRODUCTION

In order to solve Maxwell's equations we must have  $J_y$ ,  $J_z$ , and  $\sigma$  as a function of space and time for the GLANC geometry.  $\sigma$  is obtained from the air-ion equations by knowing  $\dot{\gamma}$ . The source calculations must therefore provide a method of obtaining  $J_y$ ,  $J_z$ , and  $\dot{\gamma}$  as functions of space and time.

The transport of the gamma rays from the burst point to the line of calculation (z-mesh) will be characterized by a fractional loss of gamma flux

$$f_r = \frac{e^{-\mu_{t\gamma} \cdot 10^{-3} \rho r}}{4\pi r^2} \quad (3-1)$$

where  $r$  is the slant range (see Figure (1-1)),  $\rho$  is the density in gms/liter,  $\mu_{t\gamma}$  is the total absorption coefficient in  $\text{cm}^2/\text{gm}$ .

The number of gamma rays of energy  $E$  (Mev) per square centimeter per second gives the gamma flux at the line of calculation:

$$f_\gamma = \frac{Y \epsilon_\gamma K}{E_\gamma} c F(\tau') f_r \quad (3-2)$$

where  $Y$  is the yield in kilotons of the nuclear device,  $\epsilon_\gamma$  is the fraction of the yield that appears in the form of gamma rays,  $K = 2.613 \cdot 10^{25}$  is the number of Mev per kiloton (kt), and  $F(\tau')$  gives the time history of the gamma rays at the source, as described in the next section, in units of per centimeter.

It may be noted that the above prescription for the gamma ray source at the line of calculation does not account for any space or time build-up factors. Since GLANC is only designed for close-in and short-time calculations, the buildup factors are easily simulated by selecting the input parameters which determine  $F(\tau')$  and by changing the magnitude of, say,  $\epsilon_\gamma$ , i.e., with the shape in time and the peak magnitude controllable by input, the gamma flux input is flexible.

### 3.2 THE TIME HISTORY

In all source calculations the time history of the gamma ray pulse is prescribed by an analytic function,  $F(\tau')$ , where  $\tau' = \tau + z \sin \theta$  as in Eq. (1-7). We define

$$F(\tau') \begin{cases} = A_1 A_0 e^{\beta_1 \tau'} & \text{for } 0 \leq \tau \leq \tau_a \\ = \frac{A_2 A_0 \left(1 + \frac{\beta_2}{\beta_3}\right) e^{\beta_2 (\tau' - \tau_0)}}{1 + \frac{\beta_2}{\beta_3} e^{(\beta_2 + \beta_3) (\tau' - \tau_0)}} & \text{for } \tau_a < \tau < \tau_b \\ = A_3 A_0 e^{-\beta_4 \tau'} & \text{for } \tau_b \leq \tau \leq \tau_{\max} \end{cases} \quad (3-3)$$

where  $\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3, \beta_4, \tau_a, \tau_0, \tau_b, \tau_{\max}$ , and  $A_0$  are input numbers. The  $z$ -dependence of the retarded time and of the gamma ray attenuation in the ground have been included.  $A_0 = e^{\gamma_0 z / \sin \theta}$  in the ground when  $\theta$  is greater than zero and  $A_0 = 1$  in the air. If the burst point is on the ground ( $\theta=0$ ) the sources are zero in the ground so that  $A_0$  is not used in the ground.  $\gamma_0$  is the reciprocal of the gamma ray attenuation length in the ground. The values of  $A_1, A_2$ , and  $A_3$  are determined in the following manner. We want the functions to be continuous at  $\tau_a$  and  $\tau_b$ , the integral

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(\tau) d\tau = 1 \quad (3-4)$$

and  $\tau_0$  (the value of  $\tau$  at the peak) to be selected reasonably so that  $\tau_a < \tau_0 < \tau_b$ . Set  $A_2 = 1$  at, say  $z = 0$ . Then find  $A_1$  and  $A_3$  such that  $F(\tau)$  is continuous at  $\tau_a$  and  $\tau_b$ , respectively. Defining  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  by

$$I_1 \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\tau_a} F(\tau) d\tau = \frac{A_1}{\beta_1} e^{\beta_1 \tau_a}$$

and

$$I_2 \equiv \int_{\tau_b}^{\infty} F(\tau) d\tau = \frac{A_3}{\beta_4} e^{-\beta_4 \tau_b},$$

one calculates by use of the computing machine the value

(3-3)

$$I = I_1 + I_2 + \int_{\tau_a}^{\tau_b} F(\tau) d\tau,$$

so that Eq. (3-4) can be satisfied by the normalization of the initially assumed constants, i.e., one replaces  $A_1$  by  $A_1/I$ ,  $A_2$  by  $A_2/I$ , and  $A_3$  by  $A_3/I$ . Since all the  $z$ -dependence of the source has been included in  $F(\tau')$  and since GLANC carries only the retarded time on the ground ( $z = 0$ ), we will sometimes write  $F(\tau') = F_k(\tau)$  for the time history at  $z_k$ .

### 3.3 THE PRESCRIBED SOURCE

The "prescribed" source, as in most EMP codes, is determined by making it proportional to the gamma ray flux. Thus, we have,

$$\vec{J} = -\vec{n} f_{\gamma} \mu_c R_M f \frac{e}{c} \quad (3-5)$$

where  $\vec{J}$  is the current density in abamps per  $\text{cm}^2$ ,  $\vec{n}$  is as in Figure (1-1),  $\mu_c$  is the Compton scattering coefficient in  $\text{cm}^2$  per gm, and

$R_{Mf}$  is the mean forward range of an electron in gms per  $cm^2$ . Similarly,

$$\dot{\gamma} = f_{\gamma} \rho \cdot 10^{-3} \mu_a \frac{E_{\gamma}}{34 \cdot 10^{-6}} \quad (3-6)$$

where  $\dot{\gamma}$  is in ion-pairs per  $cm^3$  per sec,  $\mu_a$  is the absorption coefficient in  $cm^2$  per gm, and 34 ev is the energy needed to form each ion pair. It is more convenient to write Eqs. (3-5) and (3-6) as,

$$\vec{J} = \vec{n} J(\tau') \quad , \quad (3-7)$$

and

$$\dot{\gamma} = \dot{\gamma}_0 F_k(\tau')$$

where we define

$$J(\tau') = -J_0 F_k(\tau) \quad ,$$

$$J_0 = \frac{Y_{\epsilon} \gamma K}{E_{\gamma}} \mu_c R_{Mf} e f_r \quad , \quad (3-8)$$

and

$$\dot{\gamma}_0 = \frac{Y_{\epsilon} K \mu_a \rho \cdot 10^3}{34} f_r \quad .$$

Thus, in GLANC, the "prescribed" value for  $\dot{\gamma}$  is given by Eq. (3-7) and the "prescribed" values of the current components are given by

$$J_y = J(\tau') \cos \theta \quad (3-9)$$

$$J_z = -J(\tau') \sin \theta$$

### 3.4 THE LEMP METHOD

The LEMP geometry for DX and DY is shown in Figure 3-1. In LEMP\* the field reaction on the electrons was (nonlinearly) fitted as a

\*H. J. Longley, "Compton Current in Presence of Fields for LEMP 1," Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory report LA-4348. See also LA-4347 (Secret-RD) and LA-4346.

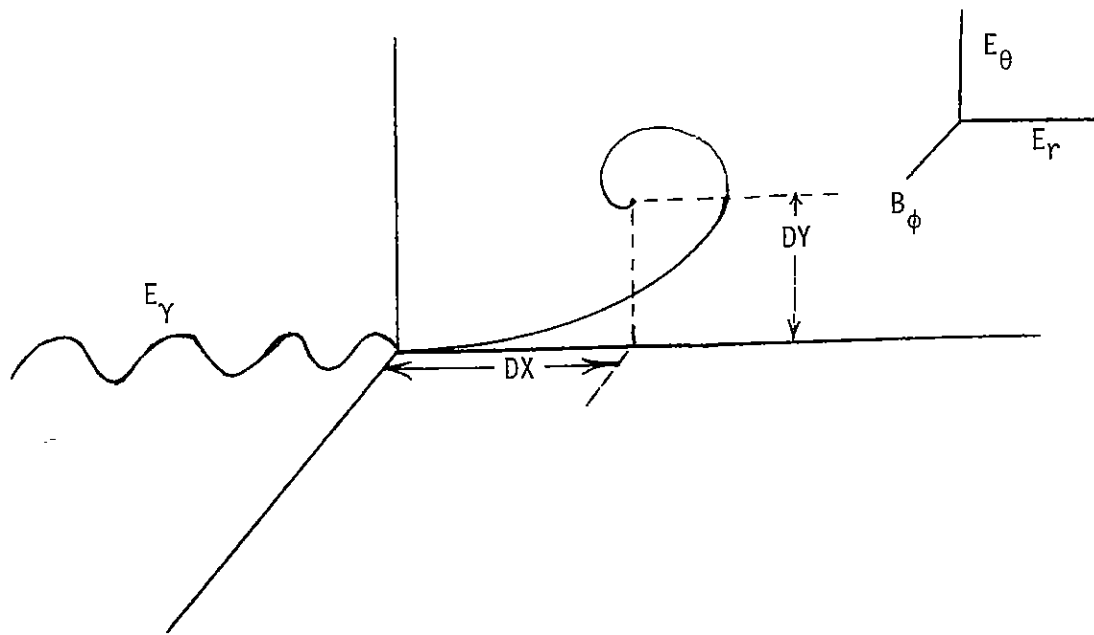


Figure 3-1. LEMP geometry for  $DX$  and  $DY$  and the fields.

function of  $E_\gamma$ ,  $B_\phi$ ,  $E_r$ , and  $E_\theta$ .  $DX$  is the average distance the electron travels in the direction of the gamma ray and  $DY$  is the average distance the electron travels perpendicular to the direction of the gamma ray.  $E_r$ ,  $E_\theta$ , and  $B_\phi$  in LEMP form a right-handed spherical coordinate system and, in terms of the GLANC fields, are given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 B_\phi &= -B_x \\
 E_r &= E_y \cos \theta - E_z \sin \theta \\
 E_\theta &= -E_y \sin \theta - E_z \cos \theta
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3-10}$$

If the fields are zero, then  $DX = R$  and  $DY = 0$ . (Here, and in this section,  $R$  is the mean forward range as given by  $R_{Mf}$  above.) The LEMP fields as calculated by Eqs. (3-10) were used in the LEMP subroutine to calculate  $DX$  and  $DY$ . The sources for GLANC, by the LEMP method, are given by

$$\begin{aligned}
J_y &= J(\tau') \left[ -\frac{DY}{R} \sin \theta + \frac{DX}{R} \cos \theta \right] , \\
J_z &= -J(\tau') \left[ \frac{DY}{R} \cos \theta + \frac{DX}{R} \sin \theta \right] ,
\end{aligned} \tag{3-11}$$

and

$$\dot{\gamma} = \dot{\gamma}_0 F_k(\tau) \left[ \frac{\bar{E}_e + e(E_r DX + E_\theta DY)}{\bar{E}_e} \right]$$

where  $\bar{E}_e$  is the mean electron energy. The factor in the bracket on the right side of this  $\dot{\gamma}$  equation accounts for the energy loss (or gain) of the electrons due to the fields. This factor was not allowed to be smaller than 0.2 in LEMP and in GLANC.

### 3.5 THE PARTICLE SOURCE

The particle source is obtained by injecting sample Compton electrons at each  $z_k$  of the mesh in the air at periodic times and then following these electrons by solving their equations of motion. The fields and the particles are advanced in time in a completely self-consistent manner.

At the beginning of a problem the fields are generally small. Thus, the injection of particles is not started until  $\sqrt{E_y^2 + E_z^2 + B_x^2} > E_{00}$ , where  $E_{00}$  is an input number of about 0.5 (esu).

The initial values of the momentum of the particles were given in section 1.3 and the equation of motion of the particle and its position were discussed in section 2.4.

The number of Compton electrons born per  $\text{cm}^3$  per unit of retarded time is given by

$$\frac{dN_e}{d\tau} = \frac{1}{c} 10^{-3} \rho \mu_c f_\gamma \tag{3-12}$$

and the total number of Compton electrons born per  $\text{cm}^3$  is given by

$$N_0 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dN_e}{d\tau} d\tau = \frac{Y_{\epsilon, K}}{E_Y} 10^{-3} \rho \mu_c f_T, \quad (3-13)$$

when one uses the results of Eq. (3-4). The Compton current density (abamps/cm<sup>2</sup>) for a particle is given by

$$\vec{j}_p = -WT(\tau, z) e \frac{\vec{v}}{c} \frac{1}{1 - \cos\theta \frac{v_y}{c}} \quad (3-14)$$

where

$$WT(\tau, z) = \frac{N_0 F_k(\tau) \delta\tau}{n_\theta n_\phi} \quad (3-15)$$

is the weight assigned to the particle at its injection time for its space ( $z_k$ ) position. Note that the weight becomes  $N_0$  when summed over all cycles (all  $\tau$ ) and over all  $n_\theta \cdot n_\phi = n_p$ . The value of  $\dot{\gamma}$  (ion-pairs/cm<sup>3</sup> sec) for a particle is given by

$$\dot{\gamma}_p = \frac{c}{34 \cdot 1.60 \cdot 10^{-12}} WT(\tau, z) \frac{A\left(\frac{\vec{p}}{p} \cdot \frac{\vec{v}}{c}\right)}{\left(1 - \cos\theta \frac{v_y}{c}\right)} \quad (3-16)$$

where

$$\left(\frac{\vec{p}}{p} \cdot \frac{\vec{v}}{c}\right) = \frac{\vec{p}}{p} \cdot \frac{\vec{v}}{\sqrt{p^2 + m^2 c^2}} = \frac{p}{\sqrt{p^2 + m^2 c^2}}$$

In GLANC, the current or  $\dot{\gamma}$  at the desired mesh point,  $z_k$ , is found by adding the contribution of all particles in the cell surrounding  $z_k$  at the desired time.

Since the mesh in GLANC is nonuniform and since the area or volume is not included as a consideration in the weight of the particle (Eq. (3-15)), we change the weight of a particle when it changes cells by the ratio of cell sizes. When the particle changes to the  $z_{k+1}$  cell from the  $z_k$  cell, its weight is changed by the factor  $(z_{k+1+1/2} - z_{k+1/2}) / (z_{k+2+1/2} - z_{k+1+1/2})$ . Similarly, a particle changing to the  $z_{k-1}$  cell from the  $z_k$  cell has its weight changed by the factor  $(z_{k+1+1/2} - z_{k+1/2}) / (z_{k+1/2} - z_{k-1+1/2})$ .



The boundary conditions on the particles in the ground cell and in the uppermost (large  $z$ ) cell are accounted for by the following prescriptions. When a particle has a value of  $z$  less than zero, it is turned off. When a particle leaves the uppermost cell and is to enter the cell below, a new particle is injected at the top of the uppermost cell with the parameters of the particle (except for position) which is leaving the bottom of this uppermost cell. A particle leaving the top of the uppermost cell is turned off. At the ground there are other physical effects which can be included in GLANC, such as the electron multiplication effect and gamma-ray scattering effects. However, these effects have not been included in GLANC at this writing due mainly to their complications.

To save computational time in processing particles a method of time averaging was devised to allow one to inject particles only every  $N$  cycles, i.e., for injection time intervals  $\delta\tau_i = N\delta\tau$ . The symbol  $N$  used here is an integer input number and should not be confused with the same symbol used above for the last cell in the  $z_k$  mesh. The need for such a scheme is due to the small values of  $z_{oa}$  (smallest mesh size in the air) required to resolve the field gradients near the ground and the consequent small values of  $\delta\tau$  required, in the solution of the equations of motion of the particles because of the retarded time factor  $1/(1 - \cos\theta \frac{vy}{c})$ . This factor is more than ten for some of the particles at injection time. Also, the small values of  $z_{oa}$  require small values of  $\delta\tau$  be used in the solutions of Maxwell's equations. For example, we ran problems with GLANC where, for  $z_{oa} = 4$  cm,  $\delta\tau = 2$  cm in a problem which does not inject particles and  $\delta\tau = 1$  cm in a problem where particles are injected. A  $\delta\tau$  of one centimeter is (1/300)th of a shake in retarded time.

At each mesh point  $z_k$  in the air one calculates an average value for  $J_y$ ,  $J_z$ , and  $\dot{\gamma}$  at any given time by an equation of the form

$$\bar{J} = J_1 f_1 + J_2 f_2 + \dots + J_N f_N \quad (3-17)$$

where  $J_1$  here represents either  $J_y$ ,  $J_z$ , or  $\dot{\gamma}$  at the latest time,  $J_N$  is the same at a time  $N\delta\tau$  earlier,  $f_i$  is the ratio of  $F_k(\tau_i)$  to  $F'$ , the time of  $F_k(\tau_i)$  is given in Figure 3-2, and  $F'$  is  $F_k(\tau)$  at the latest injection time. Figure 3-2 shows graphically the quantities used in the averaging scheme at a time of injection with  $N = 8$ . The sum on the right side of Eq. (3-17) is not divided by  $N$  since the  $WT(\tau, z)$  function in Eq. (3-15) contains  $\delta\tau$  and not  $\delta\tau_i = N\delta\tau$ . The values of  $f_i$  follow the time history of the gamma rays ( $F_k(\tau)$ ) and are normalized by  $F_k(\tau)$  at the last injection time ( $F'$ ). Figure 3-2 is an example of the various functions as they might appear on a log-linear plot at early times when  $F_k(\tau)$  is increasing as  $e^{\beta_1\tau}$ . The saw-tooth curve simulates the effects of the new injection of particles and the decay of all the particles. The line through  $J_1$  represents the source ( $J_y$ ,  $J_z$ , or  $\dot{\gamma}$ ) as might be given by an analytic function or, here, as the average which would result from an assumed continuous injection of particles. A number  $q = 1$  to  $N$  is carried in the calculating machine to indicate the time cycle within a given injection cycle. Thus,  $q = 1$  in Figure 3-2 and it is injection time. At this time one must back store the  $f_i$  and  $J_i$  values that exist in storage at the start of the cycle except for  $f_1$  and  $J_1$ . The back storage is done by setting  $f_1 = 1$  and  $J_N = J_{N-1}$ , (then)  $J_{N-1} = J_{N-2}$ , etc. until we set  $J_2 = J_1$ . A new value of  $J_1$  is found by adding all the contributions to  $J_1$  from all previously injected particles (that have not been turned off) plus one half the contributions to  $J_1$  from all the newly injected particles. When  $q > 1$  the back storage is done by setting  $f_q = F_k(\tau_q)/F'$  and then setting  $J_N$  to the value of  $J_{N-1}$ ,  $J_{N-1}$  to the value of  $J_{N-2}$ , etc. until  $J_2$  is set to the value of  $J_1$ . The new  $J_1$  is then set equal to the sum of all "live" particle contributions (each from the Eqs. (3-14) or the Eqs. (3-16)).

At the first injection time, i.e., when it has been determined by the criterion given above that the fields are large enough to turn on the particles, one must set up the back storages in the time averaging

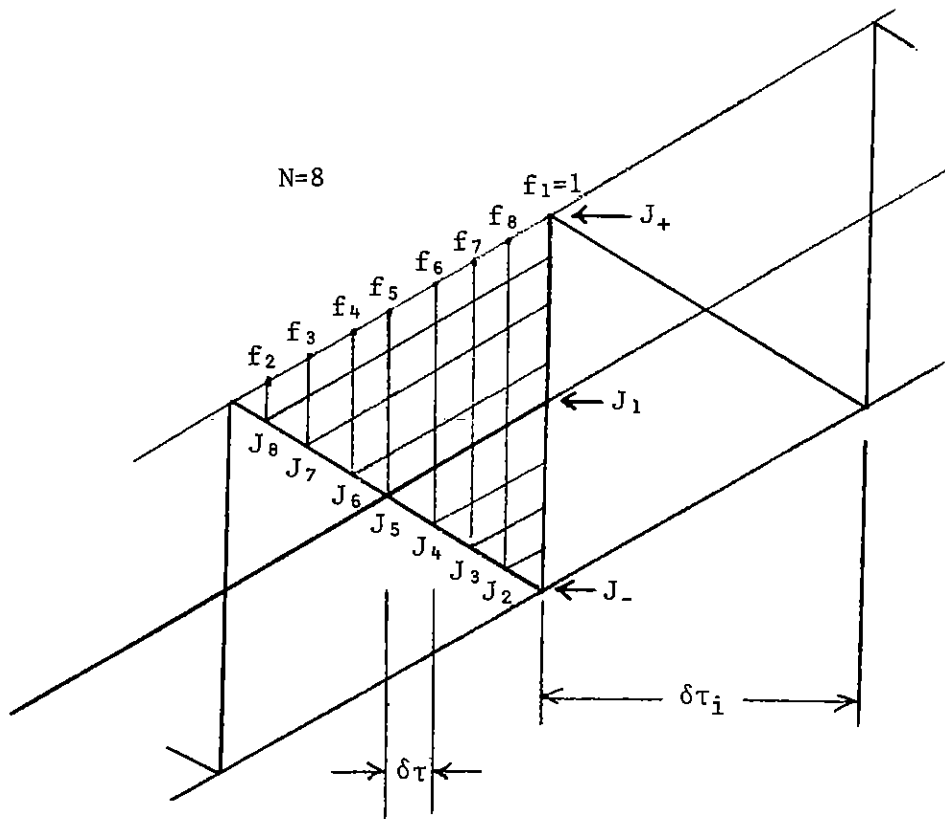


Figure 3-2. Particle Time Average Scheme.

scheme. Figure 3-2 is also appropriate in time for this first injection and the initial back storage calculation. This initial back storage, as given below, is done in such a manner as to make the particle sources fit smoothly onto the prescribed source. We thus set  $J_1$  equal to the prescribed current (which exists at the time of this first injection) divided by  $N$ . We inject the first batch of particles and calculate  $J_{p1}$  as the source from these particles with their usual standard weights. A weight correction  $W_c = \frac{J_{p1} + 2J_1}{2J_1}$  is calculated and the weight of each of the initially injected particles is multiplied by  $W_c$ . The current of the first injected particles with corrected weights,  $J_+$ , is then calculated. We then set  $J_- = J_1 - (J_+ - J_1) = 2J_1 - J_+$ . Then  $J_2 = J_- e^{\beta_p \delta\tau}$  where  $\beta_p = 0.0417\rho$  is an empirically determined decay rate per cm for the particles.  $\beta_p$  was determined by running a batch of particles with zero fields. Then  $J_i = J_{i-1} e^{\beta_p \delta\tau}$  for  $i = 3, 4, \dots, N$ . The initial

values of  $f_i$  are determined by knowing the initial rise constant,  $\beta_1$ , of  $F_k(\tau)$ . We set  $f_1 = 1.0$  and  $f_i = f_{i-1} e^{\beta_1 \delta \tau}$  for  $i = 2, 3, \dots, N$ .

We will state again that the average source values of  $J_y$ ,  $J_z$ , and  $\dot{\gamma}$  are all calculated by the methods given above and characterized by Eq. (3-17). These calculations and back storages are done each cycle for each cell in the air to find the sources for Maxwell's equations by the particle method.

SECTION 4  
ZERO TIME SOLUTIONS

4.1 AIR CONDUCTIVITY

The differencing of Maxwell's equations as given in section 2.4 assume that  $\sigma$  is greater than zero. The conductivity in the ground,  $\sigma_0$ , is an input number greater than zero. In the air we must find a zero time solution for  $\sigma$ . By Eqs. (1-19), (3-3), and (3-7) for  $\tau \approx 0$ , we have in the air for  $n_- \approx 0$ ,

$$c \frac{dn_e}{d\tau} + \alpha n_e = \dot{\gamma} = \dot{\gamma}_0 A_1 e^{\beta_1(\tau+z \sin \theta)} \quad (4-1)$$

Letting  $n_e$  be of the form

$$n_e = n_0 e^{\beta_1 \tau} \quad (4-2)$$

one finds

$$n_0 = \frac{\dot{\gamma}_0 A_1 e^{\beta_1 z \sin \theta}}{c\beta_1 + \alpha} \quad (4-3)$$

Thus  $\sigma$  at zero time is given by

$$\sigma = \frac{e}{c} n_e \mu_e = \frac{e}{c} n_0 \mu_e \quad (4-4)$$

where  $|E| = 0$  in the calculation of  $\mu_e$  and  $\alpha$ .

## 4.2 MAXWELL'S EQUATIONS

When the burst height is zero there is no appropriate zero time solution for Maxwell's equations (Eqs. (1-12), (1-17), and (1-18)). This is due to the fact that the radial derivatives are not present. This difficulty is eliminated by selecting  $\tau_0$  ( $\tau$  at the peak on the ground) such that  $4\pi\sigma \gg \frac{1}{\lambda}$ , where  $\lambda$  is the gamma ray mean free path in centimeters. For this ground burst we set  $E_y = E_z = B_x = 0$  at zero time.

When the burst is above the ground an appropriate zero time solution does exist. Here we let  $\sigma$  be zero in the air. By Eq. (3-9) we have for  $\tau \approx 0$ ,

$$\left. \begin{aligned} J_y &= J_0 A_1 e^{\beta_1 \tau + kz} \cos \theta \\ J_z &= J_0 A_1 e^{\beta_1 \tau + kz} \sin \theta \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (4-5)$$

where, here,  $k \equiv \beta_1 \sin \theta + \frac{\gamma_0}{\sin r}$  and  $\gamma_0$  is given after Eqs. (3-3) and is zero in the air. Letting  $E_y$ ,  $E_z$ , and  $B_x$  vary as  $e^{\beta_1 \tau + kz}$  the Eqs. (1-12), (1-14), and (1-13) give

$$\left. \begin{aligned} (\epsilon\beta_1 + 4\pi\sigma)E_{y_0} - kB_{x_0} &= +4\pi J_0 A_1 \cos \theta \\ (\epsilon\beta_1 + 4\pi\sigma)E_{z_0} - \beta \cos \theta B_{x_0} &= -4\pi J_0 A_1 \sin \theta \\ \beta_1 B_{x_0} - \beta_1 \cos \theta E_{z_0} &= k E_{y_0} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (4-6)$$

or, using the last of these equations to eliminate  $B_{x_0}$  from the other two, we have

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \left(\eta - \frac{k^2}{\beta_1}\right)E_{y_0} + (-k \cos \theta)E_{z_0} &= 4\pi J_0 A_1 \cos \theta \\ (-k \cos \theta)E_{y_0} + (\eta - \beta_1 \cos^2 \theta)E_{z_0} &= -4\pi J_0 A_1 \sin \theta \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (4-7)$$

where, here,  $\eta \equiv \epsilon\beta_1 + 4\pi\sigma$  and the determinate is given by

$$D = \eta \left( \eta - \beta_1 \cos^2 \theta - \frac{k^2}{\beta_1} \right) \quad (4-8)$$

A particular solution for the inhomogeneous equations (Eq. (4-7)) gives,

$$\begin{aligned} E_{y_{0a}} &= \frac{4\pi J_0 A_1 \cos \theta}{\beta_1} \\ E_{z_{0a}} &= - \frac{4\pi J_0 A_1 \sin \theta}{\beta_1} \end{aligned} \quad (4-9)$$

and

$$B_{x_{0a}} = 0$$

in the air and

$$\begin{aligned} E_{y_{0g}} &= \frac{4\pi J_0 A_1 \cos \theta}{D_g} [\eta_g - \beta_1 \cos^2 \theta - k_g \sin \theta] \\ E_{z_{0g}} &= - \frac{4\pi J_0 A_1}{D_g} \left[ \sin \theta \left( \eta_g - \frac{k_g^2}{\beta_1} \right) - k_g \cos^2 \theta \right] \\ \text{and} \\ B_{x_{0g}} &= \frac{4\pi J_0 A_1}{D_g} \left[ \frac{k_g}{\beta_1} - \sin \theta \right] \end{aligned} \quad (4-10)$$

in the ground where  $k_g = \beta_1 \sin \theta + \frac{\gamma_0}{\sin \theta}$ ,  $\eta_g = \epsilon\beta_1 + 4\pi\sigma_0$ , and  $D_g = \eta_g (\eta_g - \beta_1 \cos^2 \theta - k_g^2 / \beta_1)$ .

The solution to the homogeneous equations (Eqs. (4-7)) is given when  $D = 0$ , i.e., when

$$k_h^2 = \beta_1 [4\pi\sigma + \beta_1 (\epsilon - \cos^2 \theta)] \quad (4-11)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} E_{y_h} &= \frac{k_h}{\eta} B_{x_h} \\ E_{z_h} &= \frac{\beta_1 \cos \theta}{\eta} B_{x_h} \end{aligned} \quad (4-12)$$

In the air the negative sign in Eqs. (4-11) is used so that  $B_x$  in the air is less above ground, i.e.,  $k_{ha} = -\beta_1 \sin\theta$ . Similarly, in the ground where  $z$  is less than zero, we select  $k_{hg} = +\sqrt{\beta_1\{4\pi\sigma_0 + \beta_1(\epsilon - \cos^2\theta)\}}$ .

Thus, the general solution at early times in the air is given by,

$$\begin{aligned} E_y &= e^{\beta_1 \tau} \left[ E_{y0a} e^{\beta_1 z \sin\theta} - B_{xha} \sin\theta e^{-\beta_1 z \sin\theta} \right] \\ E_z &= e^{\beta_1 \tau} \left[ E_{z0a} e^{\beta_1 z \sin\theta} + B_{xha} \cos\theta e^{-\beta_1 z \sin\theta} \right] \\ B_x &= e^{\beta_1 \tau} \left[ B_{xha} e^{-\beta_1 z \sin\theta} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (4-13)$$

In the ground we have,

$$\begin{aligned} E_y &= e^{\beta_1 \tau} \left[ E_{y0g} e^{z \left( \beta_1 \sin\theta + \frac{\gamma_0}{\sin\theta} \right) + B_{xhg} \frac{k_{hg}}{\eta_g} e^{z k_{hg}} \right] \\ E_z &= e^{\beta_1 \tau} \left[ E_{z0g} e^{z \left( \beta_1 \sin\theta + \frac{\gamma_0}{\sin\theta} \right) + B_{xhg} \frac{\beta_1 \cos\theta}{\eta_g} e^{z k_{hg}} \right] \\ B_x &= e^{\beta_1 \tau} \left[ B_{x0g} e^{z \left( \beta_1 \sin\theta + \frac{\gamma_0}{\sin\theta} \right) + B_{xhg} e^{z k_{hg}} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (4-14)$$

The two unknowns in Eqs. (4-13) and (4-14) are  $B_{xha}$  and  $B_{xhg}$ . Since  $E_y$  and  $B_x$  are to be continuous at  $z = 0$ , two equations result from these continuity requirements and the two unknowns can be found.



## APPENDIX

### UNITS

$$\begin{aligned} E(\text{volts/meter}) &= 3 \cdot 10^4 E \text{ (esu)} \\ B(\text{webers/m}^2) &= 10^{-4} B \text{ (emu)} \\ J(\text{amps/m}^2) &= 10^5 J \text{ (abamps/cm}^2) \\ \sigma(\text{mho/m}) &= \frac{10}{3} \sigma \text{ (cm}^{-1}) \\ \epsilon(\text{MKS}) &= \epsilon_0 \epsilon \text{ (Gaussian)} \end{aligned}$$

Here  $\epsilon_0$  [ $(8.85_{415} \cdot 10^{-12})$  Farads/meter] is the dielectric constant of free space, which is well known by users of MKS units.