

ON SIMULATING A MEDIUM WITH THE PROPERTY OF THE IDEAL MIRROR FOR THE LIGHT AND SPIN 1/2 PARTICLES

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Maxwell equations formulated on the background of the Lobachevsky geometry in quasi-cartesian coordinates (x, y, z)

$$dS^2 = dt^2 - e^{-2z}(dx^2 + dy^2) - dz^2,$$

can be understood as the Maxwell equations in Minkowski space but in a special effective medium [1–2]:

$$\varepsilon^{ik}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{-2z} \end{vmatrix}, \quad (\mu^{-1})^{ik}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{2z} \end{vmatrix},$$

which provides the constitutive equations $\mathbf{D}^i = \varepsilon_0 \varepsilon^{ik} \mathbf{E}_k$, $\mathbf{B}_i = \mu_0 \mu^{ik} \mathbf{H}^k$, $\varepsilon^{ik}(\mathbf{x}) = \mu^{ik}(\mathbf{x})$. Thus, this effective medium is inhomogeneous along the axis z . The Maxwell's equations have been examined within three-dimensional complex formalism of Majorana-Oppenheimer [3]

$$\left(-i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \alpha^{(1)} e^z \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \alpha^{(2)} e^z \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \alpha^{(3)} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} - \alpha^{(1)} s_2 + \alpha^{(2)} s_1 \right) \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ \mathbf{E} + i\mathbf{B} \end{vmatrix} = 0;$$

explicit form of the matrices is given in [3]. After separation of the variables through the substitution

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ \mathbf{E} + i\mathbf{B} \end{vmatrix} = e^{-i\omega t} e^{iax} e^{iby} \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ \mathbf{f}(z) \end{vmatrix},$$

we get three equations

$$\begin{aligned} f_1 &= e^z F_1(z), \quad f_2 = e^z F_2(z), \\ f_3 &= \frac{-ib}{\omega} e^{2z} F_1 + \frac{ia}{\omega} e^{2z} F_2, \quad e^z = \sqrt{\omega} Z, \\ Z \left(\frac{d}{dZ} + abZ \right) F_2 &= +(b^2 Z^2 - \omega) F_1, \\ Z \left(\frac{d}{dZ} - abZ \right) F_1 &= -(a^2 Z^2 - \omega) F_2. \end{aligned}$$

With the help of linear transformation

$$\begin{aligned} F_1 &= + \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} G_1 + \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} G_2, \\ F_2 &= - \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} G_1 + \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} G_2 \end{aligned}$$

the problem is reduced to the differential equation with simple singular points (0 and ∞):

$$Z \frac{d}{dZ} G_1 = \omega G_2, \quad Z \frac{d}{dZ} G_2 = [Z^2(a^2 + b^2) - \omega] G_1.$$

Further, the problem is described by Schrödinger like one-dimensional equation with an effective potential

$$\left(\frac{d^2}{dz^2} + \omega^2 - (a^2 + b^2)e^{2z} \right) G_1 = 0,$$

which is illustrated by the Fig. 1.

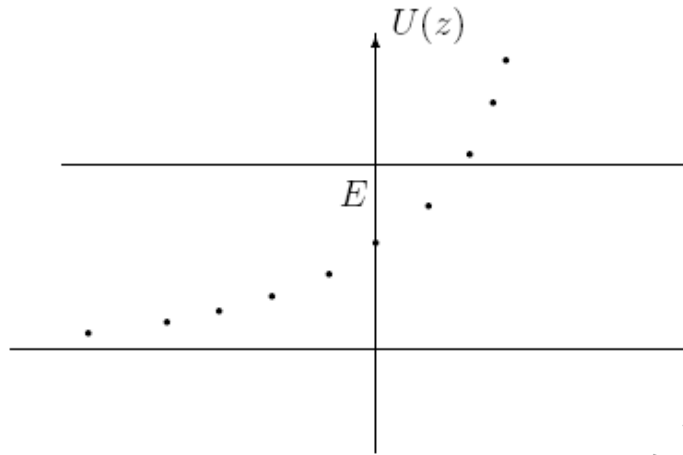


Fig. 1. Effective potential function $U(z)$

In the context of quantum mechanics, this equation describes the motion of a particle in a potential field, gradually increasing to infinity in the z coordinate striving to infinity; particle is reflected from the barrier and does not penetrate him. A similar situation occurs also in electrodynamics.

Thus, Lobachevsky geometry simulates an effective perfect mirror, distributed in space and oriented perpendicularly to the z -axis. The field penetration depth z_0 into the «medium-mirror» is given by the relation

$$z_0 = \rho \ln \frac{\omega}{c \sqrt{k_1^2 + k_2^2}};$$

it is defined by parameters of solutions and the curvature radius ρ of the Lobachevsky space.

Similar analysis has been performed for a spin S particle. Influence of the geometry on the particles with spin $1/2$ (nonrelativistic electron or neutron described by a generalized Pauli equation on the background of the non-Euclidean geometry) is the same: «medium» acts on the fermions as the perfect mirror, depth of penetration of particles with spin increases with energy and decreases with increasing the curvature of space.

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