HOMEWORK 5

Due: Tuesday, March 7

Problems: EM waves in vacuum and media; Wave Polarization

Energy and Momentum of EM waves (Sections 9.2,9.3.1 and 9.3.2 Griffiths)

9.9; 9.12; and 9.14

Problem 5

Suppose the electric field in an electromagnetic wave is

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r},t) = E_0 \frac{(\widehat{e}_z - \widehat{e}_x)}{\sqrt{2}} \sin(ky - \omega t),$$

where E_0 , k, and ω are respectively the amplitude, wave number, and frequency of the electromagnetic wave E(r,t). Determine:

- (a) the magnetic field;
- (b) the Poynting vector.