

## Electromagnetic Wave Propagation

### Boundary Conditions for

$\vec{B}$ ,  $\vec{H}$ ,  $\vec{D}$  &  $\vec{E}$  fields across

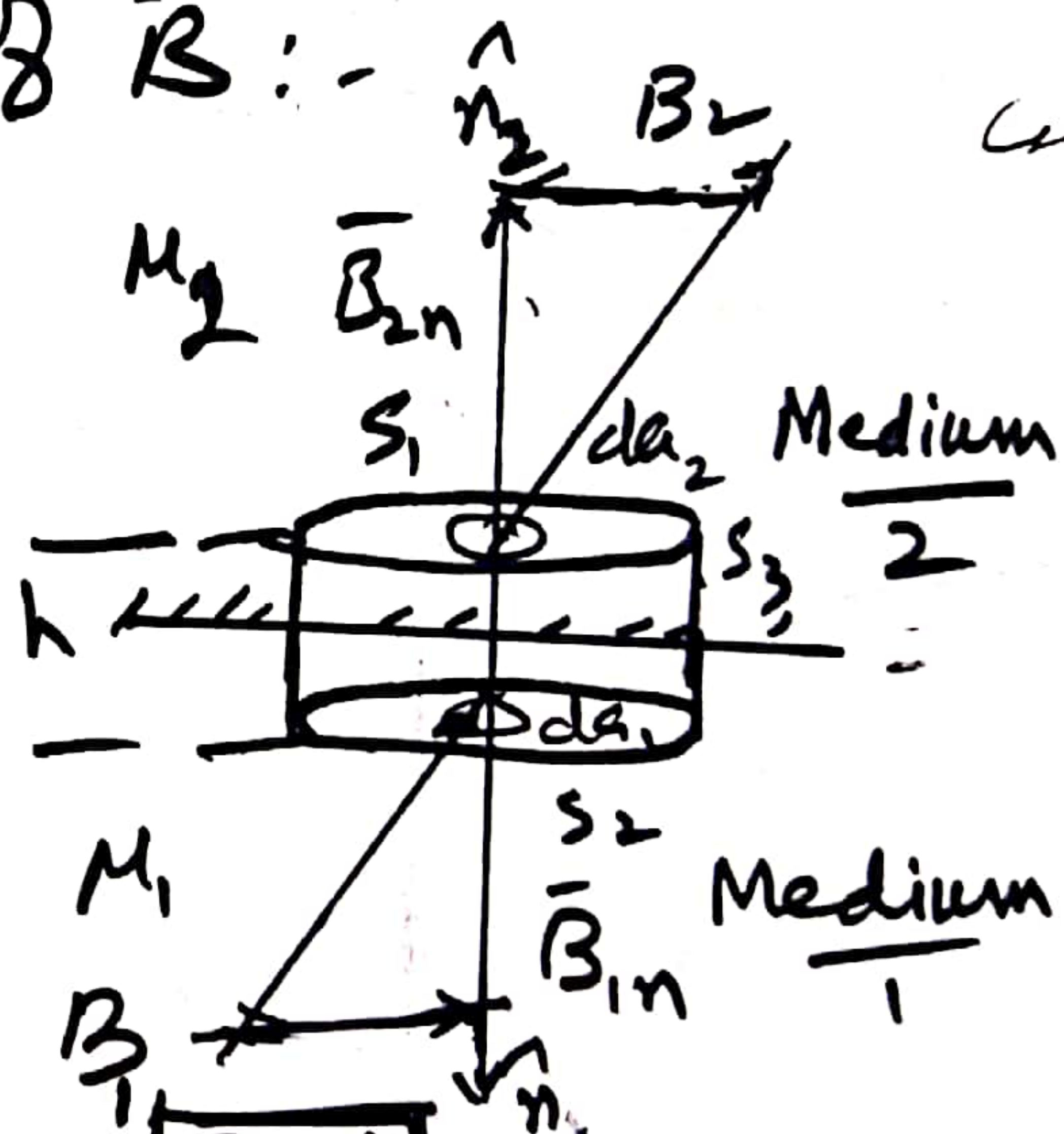
The interface of two non-conducting media.

#### (i) Boundary Conditions for $\vec{B}$ :

Normal Component of  $\vec{B}$ :

Let us consider that magnetic field  $\vec{B}$ , vector incident on the interface of two media (1) & (2) with  $\mu_1$  &  $\mu_2$  respective permeabilities.

Let  $\vec{B}_2$  be the magnetic field vector in medium (2), while  $\hat{n}_1$  &  $\hat{n}_2$  are the normal unit vectors of medium-1 and medium-2 respectively as shown in Fig-1



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Let us consider a small pill box on the interface with negligible height "h" and surface  $S_1$  &  $S_2$  of the pill box cylinder. The surface " $S_3$ " of the pill box is also considered negligible due to the very small height. 2/10

We picked the pill box cylindrical surface to apply the Gauss's Law of flux

$$\Phi_m = \int_S \vec{B} \cdot \hat{n} da = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Since the Gaussian surface consists of two main surfaces  $S_1$  &  $S_2$ . Hence the magnetic flux through surfaces across the interface is expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_m &= \int_{S_1} \vec{B}_1 \cdot \hat{n}_1 da_1 + \int_{S_2} \vec{B}_2 \cdot \hat{n}_2 da_2 = 0 \\ &= \vec{B}_1 \cdot \hat{n}_1 \int_{S_1} da_1 + \vec{B}_2 \cdot \hat{n}_2 \int_{S_2} da_2 = 0 \\ \int_{S_1} da_1 &= S_1, \quad \& \int_{S_2} da_2 = S_2, \quad S_1 = S_2 = S \\ &= \vec{B}_{1n} S + \vec{B}_{2n} S = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{B}_{1n} = \vec{B}_{2n} \quad \text{--- (3)} \quad \text{(Contd.)}$$

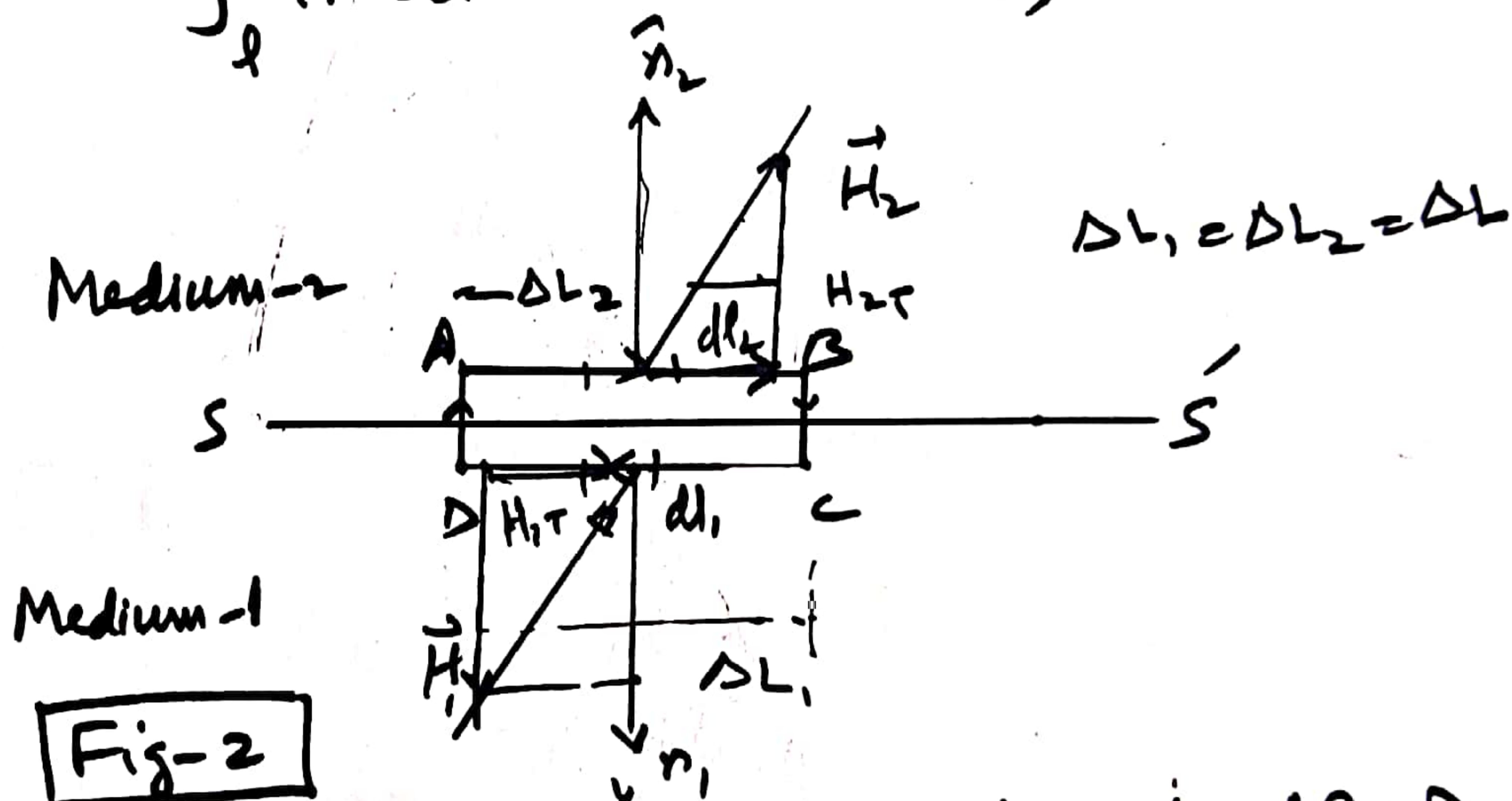
Hence the normal component of  $\vec{B}$  is continuous

across the interface of media.

(ii) Tangential Component of  $\vec{H}$ :

The relationship for the magnetic field intensity  $\vec{H}$  may be expressed in Ampere's Law

$$\oint \vec{H} \cdot d\vec{l} = I \quad (1)$$



Let us consider a closed path ABCD across the interface. The segment  $\bar{AB}$  &  $\bar{CD}$  are large as compared to the  $\bar{AD}$  &  $\bar{BC}$ . The segments  $\bar{AB} = \Delta L_1$  &  $\bar{CD} = \Delta L_2$  while  $d\vec{l}_1$  &  $d\vec{l}_2$  are the small length elements of segments  $\Delta L_1$  &  $\Delta L_2$  respectively, as shown in fig-2.

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Applying Ampere's Law to the loop

$$\oint_{\ell} \vec{H} \cdot d\vec{\ell} = \int_{\ell} \vec{H}_1 \cdot d\vec{\ell}_1 + \int_{\ell} \vec{H}_2 \cdot d\vec{\ell}_2$$

Since the tangential component of  $\vec{H}_1 \uparrow d\vec{\ell}_1$  &  $\vec{H}_2 \downarrow d\vec{\ell}_2$  Hence we have

$$= H_{1T} \int_{\ell} d\ell_1 - H_2 \int_{\ell} d\ell_2$$

$$= H_{1T} \Delta L_1 - H_2 \Delta L_2$$

$$\text{Sin } \Delta L_1 = \Delta L_2 = \Delta L$$

$$\oint_{\mathcal{R}} \vec{H} \cdot d\vec{\ell} = H_{1T} \Delta L - H_{2T} \Delta L = I$$

If the interface is having zero free charges then  $I = 0$

$$\text{So } H_{1T} \Delta L - H_{2T} \Delta L = 0$$

$$\text{or } H_{1T} = H_{2T} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

The tangential component of  $\vec{H}$  will be continuous. But if interface contains free charges then

$$H_{1T} - H_{2T} = \frac{I}{\Delta L} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$\text{or } H_{1t} - H_{2t} = \frac{I}{\Delta L} \quad \text{Note: } \vec{n} \times (\vec{H}_1 - \vec{H}_2)$$

(iii)

Normal Component of  $\vec{D}$  :-

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Let us consider  $\vec{D}$ , field vector incident at the interface of two media medium-1 & medium-2  $\vec{D}_1$  be in the medium while  $\vec{D}_2$  field vector propagates in medium-2. Let  $\epsilon_1$  &  $\epsilon_2$  be the permittivities of medium-1 & medium-2 respectively, as shown in (Fig-3).

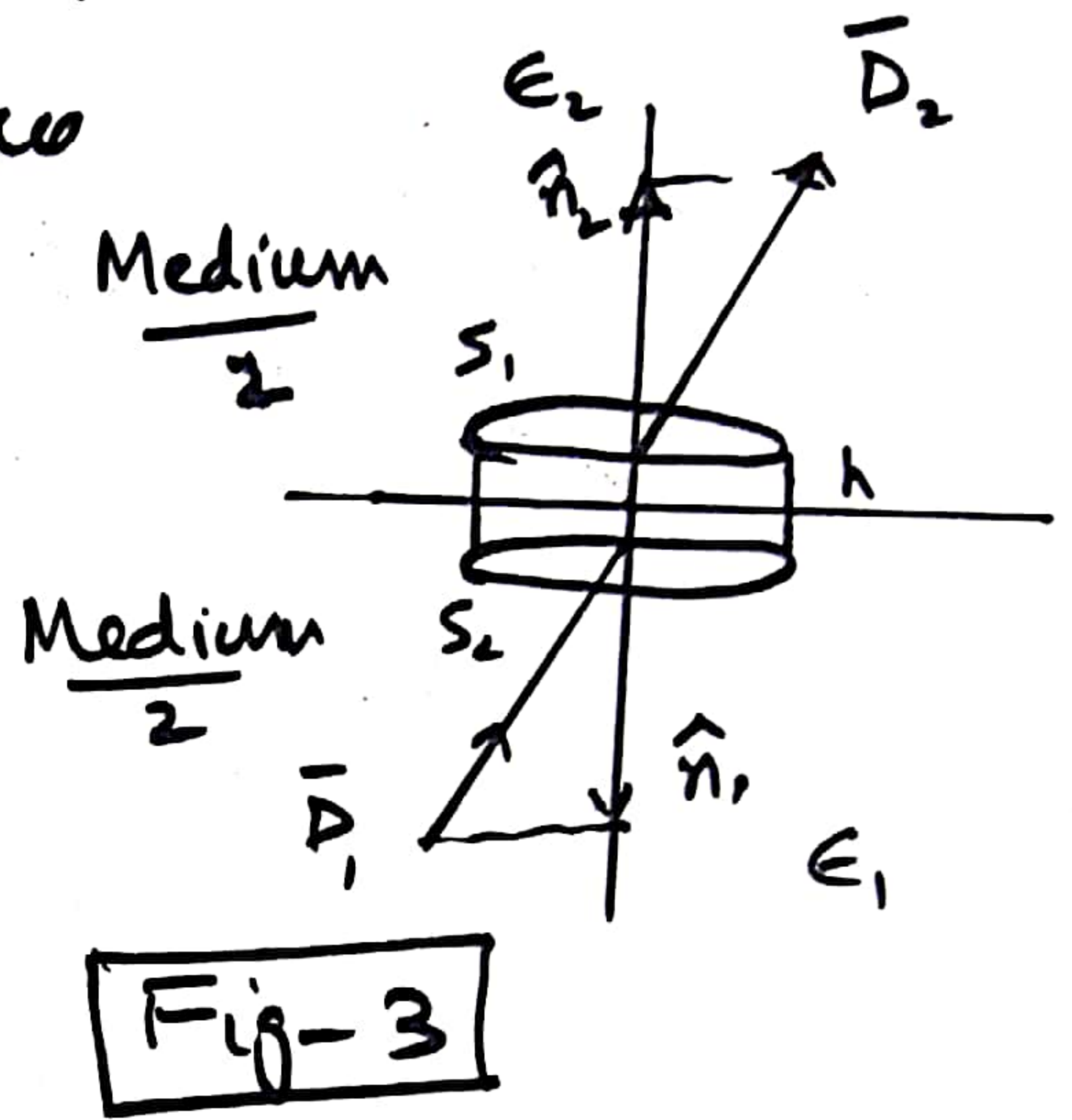


Fig-3

Let  $S_1$  &  $S_2$  be the surfaces of a pill box on the interface with negligible height "h". Let  $\hat{n}_1$  &  $\hat{n}_2$  be the two normal unit vectors in medium-1 and medium-2 respectively.

From Maxwell's first equation in integral form we have

$$\int_V \nabla \cdot \vec{D} dv = \int_V \rho dv \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Applying Gauss's divergence theorem to equation (1) where  $\rho$  is the volume charge-density.

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$$\int_S \vec{D} \cdot \hat{n} da = \int_S \sigma da \quad (2)$$

where  $\sigma$  is the surface charge density.

$$\int_{S_1} \vec{D}_1 \cdot \hat{n}_1 da - \int_{S_2} \vec{D}_2 \cdot \hat{n}_2 da = \sigma \int_S da$$

where  $|\hat{n}_1| = \hat{n}_1$  Medium-1  $|\hat{n}_2| = -\hat{n}_2$  Medium-2

$$\vec{D}_1 \cdot \hat{n}_1 \int_{S_1} da - \vec{D}_2 \cdot \hat{n}_2 \int_{S_2} da = \sigma \int_S da$$

$$\int_{S_1} da = S_1 \quad \& \quad \int_{S_2} da = S_2, \quad \int_S da = S$$

also  $S_1 = S_2 = S$

$$(\vec{D}_1 \cdot \hat{n}_1) S - (\vec{D}_2 \cdot \hat{n}_2) S = \sigma S$$

$$\vec{D}_{1n} - \vec{D}_{2n} = \sigma \quad (3)$$

If  $\sigma = 0$  at the interface

$$\text{then } \vec{D}_{1n} - \vec{D}_{2n} = 0$$

$$\vec{D}_{1n} = \vec{D}_{2n} \quad (4)$$

Equation (4)

shows that the normal component of  $\vec{D}$  is continuous across the boundary

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If  $\delta \neq 0$  then the normal component of  $\vec{D}$  is not continuous across the interface.

We have the equation of continuity given as

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{J} = -\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} \quad (5)$$

Integrating both sides of eq. (5) over the volume 'v'

$$\int_V \nabla \cdot \vec{J} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_V \rho dV \quad (6)$$

Applying divergence theorem to the L.H.S we have

$$\int_S \vec{J} \cdot \hat{n} da = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_S \rho da \quad (7)$$

$$\int_S \vec{J} \cdot \hat{n} da = \int_{S_1} \vec{J}_1 \cdot \hat{n}_1 da_1 - \int_{S_2} \vec{J}_2 \cdot \hat{n}_2 da_2$$

$$\int_{S_1} da_1 = S_1, \quad \int_{S_2} da_2 = S_2, \quad \int_S da = S$$

$$\Delta \quad S_1 = S_2 = S$$

$$= (\vec{J}_1 \cdot \hat{n}_1) S - (\vec{J}_2 \cdot \hat{n}_2) S \quad \text{putting in (7)}$$

$$J_{1n} S - J_{2n} S = -\frac{\partial \rho S}{\partial t}$$

$$J_{1n} - J_{2n} = -\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} \quad (8)$$

If monochromatic radiation is considered  
 (Then surface charge density varies as  $e^{-j\omega t}$ )

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$$\sigma = \sigma_0 e^{-j\omega t}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\sigma) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\sigma_0 e^{-j\omega t}) = -j\omega \sigma_0 e^{-j\omega t}$$

$$\frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial t} = -j\omega \sigma \quad \text{--- (9)}$$

Also  $J = \sigma \bar{E}$  multiplying eq (8)

$$g_1 E_{1n} - g_2 E_{2n} = j\omega \sigma \quad \text{--- (10)}$$

From eq (3)  $\bar{D}_{1n} - \bar{D}_{2n} = \sigma$  multiply  
 in equation (10)

$$g_1 E_{1n} - g_2 E_{2n} = j\omega (\bar{D}_{1n} - \bar{D}_{2n})$$

$$g_1 E_{1n} - g_2 E_{2n} = j\omega \epsilon_1 E_{1n} - j\omega \epsilon_2 E_{2n}$$

Rearranging the above equation

$$g_1 E_{1n} - g_2 E_{2n} = j\omega (\epsilon_1 E_{1n} - \epsilon_2 E_{2n})$$

$$\omega E_{1n} (g_1 - j\omega \epsilon_1) = E_{2n} (g_2 - j\omega \epsilon_2) \quad \text{--- (11)}$$

Equation (11) shows the discontinuity of the Normal component of  $\bar{E}$