

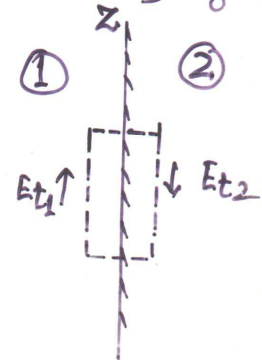
Tangential Component of Electric Field: Consider tangential comp. of electric field on either side of the surface separating two media, and assume that a unit electric charge is carried a short distance Δz parallel to boundary in medium 1. After crossing the boundary it is then carried an equal distance in opposite direction in medium 2 and then brought to starting point. The work done in carrying the charge around a closed path is

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = (E_{t1} - E_{t2}) \Delta z = - \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \Delta x \Delta z$$

$\Delta x \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow$ magnetic flux linking path = 0

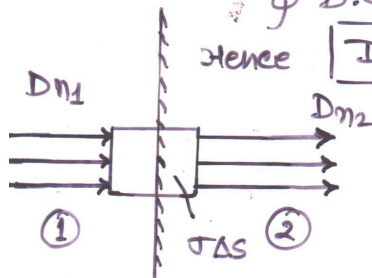
$$\Rightarrow \boxed{E_{t1} = E_{t2}}$$

\Rightarrow tangential component of electric field are continuous across the boundary.



Normal Component of electric field: Consider a small surface enclosing an incremental boundary ΔS . Using Gauss's law

$$\oint \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{S} = (D_{n2} - D_{n1}) \Delta S = \sigma \Delta S \quad \text{Charge density}$$

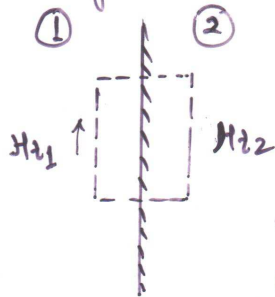


Hence $\boxed{D_{n2} - D_{n1} = \sigma}$

if $\sigma = 0$, then $D_{n2} = D_{n1}$

$$\text{or, } \frac{E_{n1}}{\epsilon_2} = \frac{E_{n2}}{\epsilon_1}$$

Tangential Component of magnetic field



Ampere's law

$$\Rightarrow \oint \vec{H} \cdot d\vec{l} = (H_{t1} - H_{t2}) \Delta z = I$$

where I is current flowing through area enclosed by line integral

$\because H_{t1}$ and H_{t2} are at infinitesimal distance apart, the area is vanishingly small,

$$\oint \vec{H} \cdot d\vec{l} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{H_{t1} = H_{t2}}$$

Exception, in case of perfect conductor

$$\boxed{H_{t1} - H_{t2} = J_s}$$

J_s
current density

Normal component of magnetic flux density

Gauss's law for magnetic field

$$\Rightarrow \oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{S} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{B_{n1} = B_{n2}}$$

Therefore, boundary conditions are,

- (i) Tangential components of electric field are continuous across the boundary.
- (ii) Normal components of electric flux density differ by an amount equal to surface charge density.
- (iii) Tangential components of magnetic field differ by an amount equal to the surface current density. It may be assumed to be zero in all cases except for perfect conductors.
- (iv) Normal components of magnetic flux density are continuous across the boundary.