

**Problem 1** (30 marks)

Proceed from the angular distribution of synchrotron radiation, derived in Section 9.8, and re-derive the total radiated power of (9.3.15).

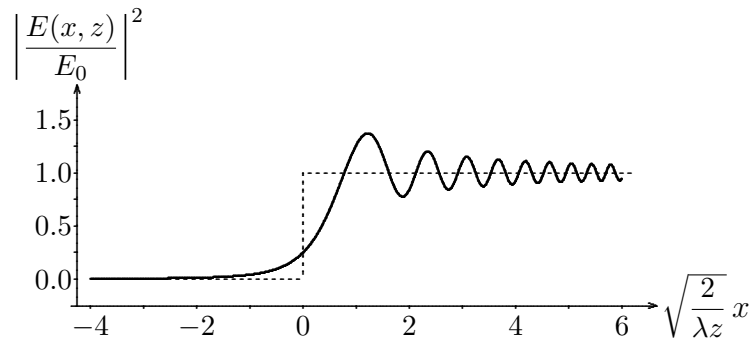
**Problem 2** (30 marks)

When a dielectric ball of radius  $R$  is exposed to an external homogeneous and constant electric field  $\vec{E}$ , it acquires an electric dipole moment  $\vec{d} = \frac{\varepsilon - 1}{\varepsilon + 2} R^3 \vec{E}$ , where  $\varepsilon$  is the static dielectric constant. Assume that this relation also applies to slowly time-dependent fields, and thus find the total cross section for Rayleigh scattering.

**Problem 3** (40 marks)

A knife edge is formed by a thin conducting sheet that fills the half-plane defined by  $x < 0$  and  $z = 0$ ; a plane wave  $\vec{E}_{\text{inc}}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{e}_y \text{Re}(E_0 e^{ikz - i\omega t})$  with  $k = \frac{\omega}{c}$  is incident from the  $z < 0$  side. Write  $\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{e}_y \text{Re}(E(x, z) e^{ikz - i\omega t})$  for the total electric field (incident plus diffracted).

- (a) Use the Huygens approximation to determine  $|E(x, z)/E_0|^2$  for  $z \gg \lambda = \frac{2\pi}{k}$ . Your result should involve the Fresnel integral  $F(T)$  of (11.6.29) with argument  $T = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\lambda z}} x$  and correspond to this plot:



The dashed line indicates the geometrical shadow of ray optics.

- (b) Use a standard approximation technique (hint: integration by parts) to derive the large- $T$  form of  $F(T)$ , and so establish

$$\left| \frac{E(x, z)}{E_0} \right|^2 = \begin{cases} 1 + \frac{\sqrt{\lambda z}}{\pi x} \cos\left(\frac{\pi x^2}{\lambda z} - \frac{3\pi}{4}\right) & \text{for } x \gg \sqrt{\lambda z}, \\ \frac{\lambda z}{(2\pi x)^2} & \text{for } -x \gg \sqrt{\lambda z}. \end{cases}$$

Use this for a simple estimate of the height of the first maximum outside the geometrical shadow.