

32. (a) The discussion in §17-5 regarding the argument of the sine function $(kx + \omega t)$ makes it clear that the wave is traveling in the negative y direction. Thus, \vec{S} points in the $-\hat{j}$ direction.
- (b) Since $\vec{E} \times \vec{B} \propto \vec{S}$ and \vec{B} points in the \hat{i} direction, then we may conclude that \vec{E} points in the $-\hat{k}$ direction (recall that $\hat{k} \times \hat{i} = \hat{j}$). Therefore, $E_x = E_y = 0$ and $E_z = -cB \sin(kx + \omega t)$.
- (c) Since $E_x = E_y = 0$, the wave is polarized along the z axis.