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B	magnetic induction of earth's magnetic field	26
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\mathcal{C}	cylinder function; any solution of Bessel's equation	
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D_x, D_y, D_z	components of D	17
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H	magnetic intensity in wave	13
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\mathcal{H}	$Z_0 \mathbf{H}$, alternative measure of magnetic intensity	20

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$h, h(f)$	phase height	150
h_0	height of base of ionosphere	150
$h', h'(f)$	equivalent height of reflection	149
\mathcal{I}	imaginary part of	
i	$\sqrt{(-1)}$	
J	current density in wave	14
k	$\omega/c = 2\pi/\lambda = 2\pi f/c$ propagation constant in free space	20
k_p	value of k at the penetration frequency	365
l	x -direction cosine of \mathbf{Y} , opposite to earth's magnetic field (also used with other meanings)	27
\mathbf{M}	susceptibility matrix	29
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m	y -direction cosine of \mathbf{Y} , opposite to earth's magnetic field (also used to denote an integer)	27
m, m_e	mass of electron	24, 32
m_i	mass of ion	32
N	number of electrons per unit volume	4
N_e, N_i	number of electrons and ions, respectively, per unit volume	32
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q	solution of Booker quartic equation (also used with other meanings)	121, 175
\mathcal{R}	real part of	
R	reflection coefficient	ch. 7
R_0, R_1, R_2, R_3	values of R in specified conditions	ch. 7
\mathbf{R}	reflection coefficient matrix	90
${}_{\parallel}R_{\parallel}, {}_{\perp}R_{\perp}, {}_{\parallel}R_{\perp}, {}_{\perp}R_{\parallel}$	elements of \mathbf{R}	89
r	used to denote an integer, and with other meanings	
S	$\sin \theta_I$, sine of angle of incidence	85, 121

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<i>s</i>	distance along ray path	<i>page</i> 279
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<i>T</i> and <i>t</i>	also used with other meanings	
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	group velocity	148
<i>U_z</i>	upward component of group velocity	148
<i>V</i>	wave velocity	38
	(also used with other meanings)	
<i>V_R</i>	ray velocity	255
<i>X</i>	$N e^2 / (\epsilon_0 m \omega^2)$	25
<i>X_e, X_i</i>	<i>X</i> for electrons and ions respectively	31
<i>X₀, X₁</i>	values of <i>X</i> at specified levels	
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<i>x</i>	Cartesian coordinate	16
Y	$e\mathbf{B}/(m\omega)$	27
<i>Y</i>	magnitude of Y	27
Y_i	Y for ions	32
<i>Y_e, Y_i</i>	<i>Y</i> for electrons and ions respectively	31
<i>Y_L</i>	nY , longitudinal component of Y	49
<i>Y_T</i>	transverse component of Y	49
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<i>Z</i>	v/ω	26
<i>Z_e, Z_i</i>	<i>Z</i> for electrons and ions respectively	80
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<i>Z₀</i>	(μ_0/ϵ_0) , characteristic impedance of free space	19
<i>z</i>	Cartesian coordinate	17
<i>z₀</i>	level of reflection; (complex) value of <i>z</i> which makes $n = 0$,	136
	or $q = 0$	142
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β	coefficient of q^3 in Booker quartic (also used with other meanings)	page 122
γ	coefficient of q^2 in Booker quartic $\text{arc tan } \rho_0$ (also used with other meanings)	122 51
δ	coefficient of q in Booker quartic	122
ϵ	coefficient of q^0 in Booker quartic (also used for arbitrarily small quantity, and with other meanings)	122
ϵ_0	electric permittivity of free space	11
$\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \epsilon_3$	parameters in Epstein theory	376
ζ	scaled value of height z (the method of scaling depends on the problem) (also used with other meanings)	
Θ	angle between earth's magnetic field and vertical angle between earth's magnetic field and wave normal when wave normal is vertical	119
ϑ	angle between earth's magnetic field and wave normal when wave normal is oblique	245
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θ_I	angle of incidence; value of θ below ionosphere	97
θ_R, θ_T	angles of reflection and transmission at sharp boundary	97
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λ_p	λ at penetration frequency	365
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μ_o, μ_x	μ for ordinary and extraordinary waves respectively	199
μ'	group refractive index	148
μ'_o, μ'_x	μ' for ordinary and extraordinary waves respectively	201
μ_0	magnetic permittivity of free space	11
ν	collision frequency for electrons	6, 25
ξ	scaled value of height z (similar to ζ)	
Π	Poynting vector	22
$\bar{\Pi}$	average Poynting vector	23
$\bar{\Pi}_x, \bar{\Pi}_y, \bar{\Pi}_z$	components of $\bar{\Pi}$	44
ρ	wave polarisation (used with subscripts to denote polarisation of specified waves)	47
σ	scaling factor in Epstein profiles wave polarisation referred to axes at 45° to magnetic meridian (also used with other meanings)	375 434

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ϕ	usually denotes (complex) phase of a wave, or polar co-ordinate angle	
χ	minus imaginary part of refractive index n (also used with other meanings)	page 41
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Ψ	factor of coupling parameter	413
ψ	coupling parameter (also used with other meanings)	397
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ω_H	angular gyro-frequency	27
ω_c	critical value of ν	49

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Note 1. The equivalent height of reflection for a parabolic profile of electron density is given by the expressions (17.54) and (17.56). In the derivation it was assumed that the two asymptotic solutions (17.32) can be taken as the upgoing and downgoing waves. But these solutions should be multiplied by an asymptotic series which was intentionally omitted from (17.32). For the process to be valid it is necessary that the ratio of the second to the first term in the series shall be small at the top and bottom of the layer, which leads to the condition $|\frac{1}{2}n(n-1)/\zeta_a^2| \ll 1$. This is violated when $|D|$ (equation (17.43)) is large, and then the full wave solutions (17.54) (17.56) may not agree with the ray theory solutions (10.33) and (10.37). The discrepancy increases as the difference Af (17.47), between the penetration frequency and the wave frequency is increased. The author is indebted to Dr. Kenneth Davies for pointing out this possibility.

Note 2. In §23.4 the assumption that the extraordinary wave has polarisation $1/\rho_A$ is valid only when the plane of propagation is the magnetic meridian plane, that is for propagation from magnetic north to south or south to north. The theory for other directions of propagation has been given by Budden, K. G. and Jull, G. W., 1964, *Can. Journ. Phys.*, **42**, 113.

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