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Energy & Momentum in Waves:

Plane wave:  $\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = \text{Re}(\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t)) = \vec{E}_0 \cos(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t + \delta)$

Linearly polarized  $\Rightarrow \vec{E}_0 = E_0 \hat{n}$ , with  $\hat{n}$  fixed and  $\perp$  to  $\vec{k}$

Also,  $\vec{B} = \hat{k} \times \vec{E} / c$ . (Since  $\vec{E} \perp \vec{k}$ , this means  $|\vec{B}| = |\vec{E}| / c$ )

Recall:  $u_{EM} = \text{stored energy density} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2 + \frac{1}{2\mu_0} B^2$ . Easy enough!

$u_{EM}^{\text{plane wave}} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 |E_0|^2 \cos^2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t + \delta) + \frac{1}{2\mu_0} \frac{|E_0|^2}{c^2} \cos^2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t + \delta)$

But  $\mu_0 \epsilon_0 = 1/c^2$ , so  $\frac{1}{2\mu_0 c^2} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0$ , thus both terms are same.

In plane waves,  $\vec{E} + \vec{B}$  are "symmetric", storing equal energy!

$u_{EM}^{\text{plane wave}} = \epsilon_0 E_0^2 \cos^2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t + \delta)$  ← A scalar quantity.

This is  $\geq 0$ , and it has a traveling wave pattern too.

If you average over time;  $\langle \cos^2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t + \delta) \rangle = 1/2$ , Do you see why?  
\* See next page

so  $\langle u_{EM} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E_0^2$ . Defined as  $\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T u_E(\vec{r}, t) dt$

Warning: In complex notation, if you try to compute a complex

$\hat{u}_{EM} \stackrel{???}{=} \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 \hat{E}_0^2 e^{2i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t + \delta)} + \frac{1}{2\mu_0} \hat{B}_0^2 e^{2i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t + \delta)}$

This fails:  $\text{Re}(\hat{z}^2) \neq (\text{Re } \hat{z})^2$

If you took  $\text{Re}(\hat{u}_{EM})$  you'd get  $\cos(2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t + \delta))$  ↗ Not correct!

$\text{Re}(\hat{u}_{EM}) \neq u_{EM}!$

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Poynting vector  $\vec{S} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \vec{E} \times \vec{B}$

Again, must be careful when using complex notation. That trick is linear, it fails for quadratic quantities like  $U$  or  $\vec{S}$ .

So do not try to compute  $\vec{S} \stackrel{???}{=} \frac{1}{\mu_0} \vec{E} \times \vec{B}$ , that fails!

Use true  $\vec{E} + \vec{B}$  from previous page

$$\vec{S} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \text{Re}[\vec{E}] \times \text{Re}[\vec{B}] = \frac{1}{\mu_0} (\vec{E}_0 \times \vec{B}_0) \cos^2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t + \delta)$$

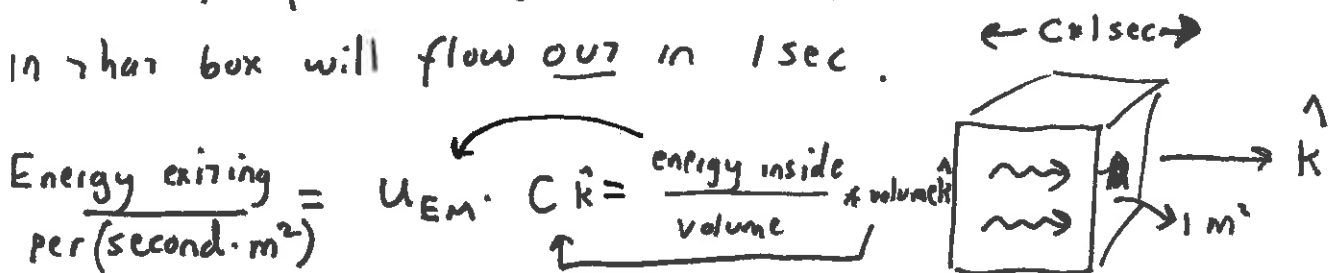
and  $\vec{E}_0 \times \vec{B}_0 = \vec{E}_0 \times (\hat{k} \times \frac{\vec{E}_0}{c}) = \frac{E_0^2}{c} \hat{k}$  (Draw a picture, convince yourself!)

So  $\vec{S} = \frac{E_0^2}{\mu_0 c} \cos^2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t + \delta) \hat{k}$  Use  $c^2 = 1/\mu_0 \epsilon_0$

~~Can~~ can write as  $\epsilon_0 c E_0^2$ , or  $\sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_0}{\mu_0}} E_0^2$ , all are OK.

This is a flow of energy, moving in the  $\hat{k}$  direction, as you'd expect

Note that  $\vec{S} = U_{EM} c \hat{k}$ . This makes sense too, consider a volume of space, 1 light-second "deep", all the EM energy stored in that box will flow out in 1 sec.



↳ This is  $\vec{S}$ , (just like  $\vec{J} = \rho \vec{v}$ , here  $\vec{S} = U \vec{c}$ )

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$$\text{Time average } \langle \vec{S} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E_0^2 c \hat{k} = \langle U_{EM} \rangle c \hat{k}$$

↳ From  $\langle \cos^2 \rangle$

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Finally, what about momentum density? Recall  $\vec{P}_{EM} \equiv \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \vec{S}$

$$\text{this too is simple: } \langle \vec{P}_{EM} \rangle = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \langle U_{EM} \rangle c \hat{k} = \frac{\langle U_{EM} \rangle}{c} \hat{k}$$

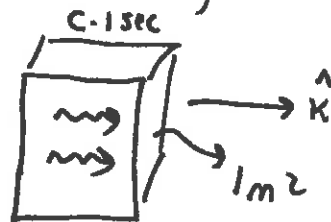
Interesting! Makes me think of the phys 270 formula for relativistic momentum of photons,  $p = \frac{E}{c}$  !

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If light hits matter & is absorbed, there will be a force.

Consider that box again:

Total  $\vec{P}$  stored in this box is



$$\vec{P} \times \text{volume} = \underbrace{\frac{\langle U_{EM} \rangle}{c} \hat{k}}_{\langle \vec{P}_{EM} \rangle} \cdot \underbrace{c \cdot (1 \text{ sec} \cdot 1 \text{ m}^2)}_{\text{volume}}$$

And in 1 sec, all this momentum flows out, & gets absorbed.

$$\text{So } \frac{\Delta \vec{P}_{\text{absorbed}}}{1 \text{ sec}} = \frac{\langle U_{EM} \rangle}{c} \cdot c \cdot \frac{1 \text{ sec} \cdot 1 \text{ m}^2}{1 \text{ sec}} \hat{k} = \langle U_{EM} \rangle \cdot 1 \text{ m}^2 \hat{k}$$

this is  $\vec{F}$ , so  $\frac{F}{\text{Area}} \equiv \text{radiation pressure} = \langle U_{EM} \rangle$

(If it were reflected,  $\Delta \vec{p}$  would be twice as big, so would light pressure)

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Many times, in practice, we will be interested in

$\frac{\langle \text{Power} \rangle}{\text{unit area}}$  transported across an area  $\equiv$  Intensity  $\equiv I$

this is  $\langle \vec{S} \rangle \cdot \hat{k}$

so  $I = \langle |S| \rangle = \langle u_{EM} \rangle \cdot c = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 c E^2 = \text{Radiation} * c.$

This intensity goes like  $E^2$ , as you perhaps already knew.

Comments: In a medium,  $I = \frac{1}{2} E v E^2$ , we'll come back to this

Everything here is classical. I invoke the word "photon" only suggestively! To really talk about photons, you're in a quantum paradigm. Energy is not "continuous" or arbitrary (or independent of  $\omega$ !) as in the formulas above. This is all for classical EM radiation (lots of photons streaming by!)

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EM waves in matter: Till now we've considered waves in free space.

In matter, we must start with

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D} &= \rho_F & \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} &= -\partial \vec{B} / \partial t & \text{where } \vec{D} &= \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P} \\ \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} &= 0 & \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H} &= \vec{J}_F + \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} & \vec{H} &= \frac{1}{\mu_0} \vec{B} - \vec{M} \end{aligned}$$

In analogy with our EM waves in empty space, let's consider EM waves in "empty" matter, by which I mean  $\rho_F = \vec{J}_F = 0$ .

(So, uncharged glass, or insulator, or gas, or etc.)

The trick, as before, is to investigate the "curl of curl":

$$\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E}) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}$$

"Flyleaf!"

$$\vec{\nabla} (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}) - \nabla^2 \vec{E}$$

Before, at this point, we invoked  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = 0$ . But now... we don't know that

If  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{P} \neq 0$ , then  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} \neq 0$  when  $\rho_F = 0$ !

To keep life simple (for now), let's make two assumptions

1) Material is linear, so  $\vec{D} = \epsilon \vec{E}$   
 $\vec{H} = \vec{B} / \mu$

2)  $\epsilon$  and  $\mu$  are homogeneous constants, properties of the material  
 (this means not a fn of position.)

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with those 2 simplifications,  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left( \frac{\vec{D}}{\epsilon} \right) = 0$  ← Since  $\rho_F = 0$   
 $+ \epsilon = \text{constant}$

and  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times (\mu \vec{H}) = \mu \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H}$  (since  $\mu$  is constant)

So we have  $0 - \nabla^2 \vec{E} = -\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\vec{J}_F + \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t}) = -\mu \frac{\partial^2 \vec{D}}{\partial t^2}$   
 ↳ Assumed 0


thus,  $\nabla^2 \vec{E} = \mu \epsilon \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2}$  (Just like our old friend  
 $\nabla^2 \vec{E} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2}$ )

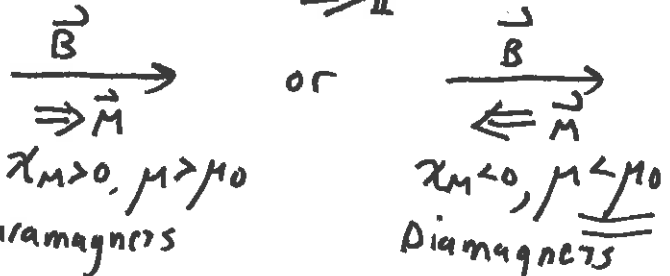
A familiar wave equation

But the speed of this wave is  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu \epsilon}}$ , not  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}} \equiv c$

All our old results in vacuum follow in exactly the same way!

e.g.  $\vec{B} \perp \vec{E}$ , and both are  $\perp \vec{k}$ , and now  $\vec{B} = \frac{1}{v} \vec{E}$   
 ↳ rather than  $c$ !

Note that  $\epsilon > \epsilon_0$ , always ( $\vec{E}$  fields polarize like this!  


It's true that  $\mu$  can be  $< \mu_0$ , since  $\vec{B} \Rightarrow \vec{M}$  or  $\vec{B} \Leftarrow \vec{M}$   
  
 $\chi_M > 0, \mu > \mu_0$  Paramagnets  
 $\chi_M < 0, \mu < \mu_0$  Diamagnets

Whereas  $\epsilon$  is usually a lot  $> \epsilon_0$ .

$$v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu \epsilon}} \equiv \frac{1}{n} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}} = \frac{c}{n}, \quad \left[ \text{where } n > 1 \text{ for all known materials} \right]$$

Defines "index of refraction"  $\equiv n$ .

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Conclusion: EM waves can propagate inside matter, but the EM waves are slower in matter (in "linear dielectrics") the wave eq'n is nearly identical to free space, despite all the complicated physics, including quantum physics, inside insulators!

For glass,  $\epsilon \approx 2.25 \epsilon_0$ ,  $\mu \approx \mu_0$ , so  $n = \sqrt{2.25} \approx 1.5$

For water,  $\epsilon \approx 80 \epsilon_0$ ,  $\mu \approx \mu_0$  (But, this is for static E fields. Here, at high frequencies, we'll find  $n \neq \sqrt{80}$ )  
So for visible light, need to know the appropriate  $\epsilon$ !

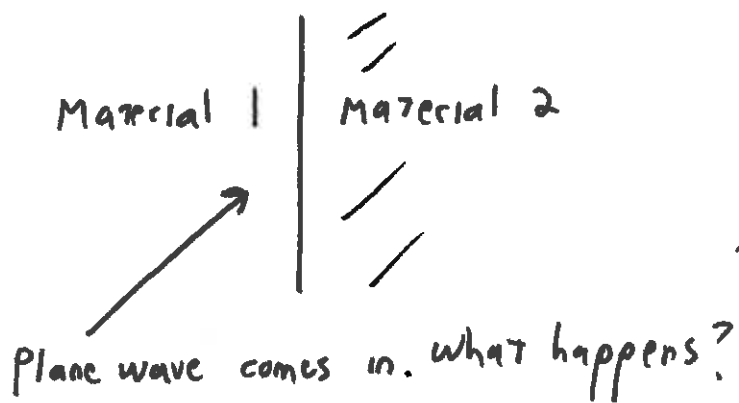
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In glass,  $\vec{E} + \vec{B}$  waves are polarizing the matter, creating dipoles, which themselves create a (time varying)  $\vec{E}$  field from those dipoles, which superposes with the incoming  $\vec{E}$ .

The result is stunning: the frequency of the superposed wave is the same as what came in, but the speed is reduced!

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What about boundaries? This would mean  $\epsilon$  is not homogeneous after all. We must solve our wave eq's in the two (separate, each homogeneous) media, + use BOUNDARY CONDITIONS to connect them!



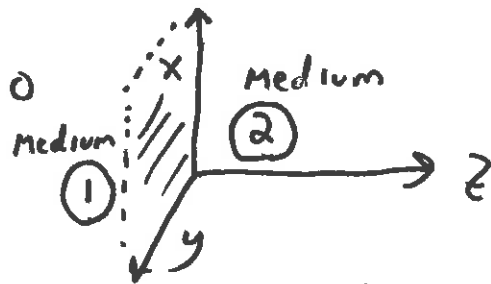
This is the "next easiest problem" after solving plane waves in a homogen. medium

[It's of great interest, think of optics!]

CONVENTIONS ① Assume monochromatic (single  $\omega$ ) plane waves.

This simplifies the math, helps us make sense. But, plane waves are  $\infty$  in extent, so it's not "physical". In the end, real problems demand Fourier summing these ideal plane waves to build real wave packets.

② We usually make our boundary  $z=0$   
(This is the  $xy$  plane)

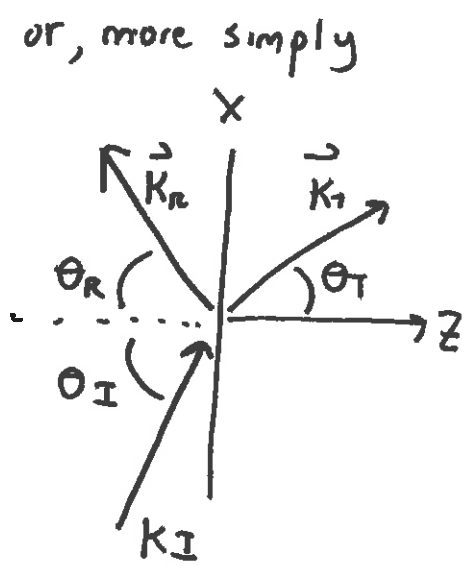
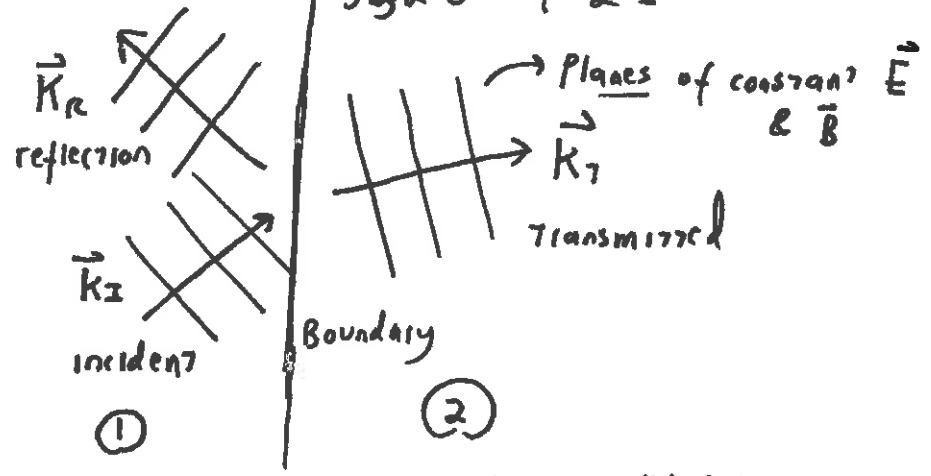


③ We usually assume incident waves come in from  $-z$ , heading right.  
Then reflected wave superposes with incident in region ①  
Transmitted " is all you have in region ②

④ Regions ① + ② are each homogeneous + linear.



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①  $\mu_1, \epsilon_1, n_1$   
 $v_1 = c/n_1$

②  $\mu_2, \epsilon_2, n_2$  given  
 $v_2 = c/n_2$

We will apply Boundary conditions at  $z=0$  plane, see below!

claims:

$$U = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon E^2 + \frac{1}{2\mu} B^2 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{(not } \epsilon_0, \mu_0 \text{ in media!)} \\ \text{(not } \mu_0) \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\vec{S} = \frac{1}{\mu} \vec{E} \times \vec{B} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{(not } \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 c E_0^2 \\ \text{(not } 1/c) \end{array} \right\}$$

INTENSITY  $I = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon v E_0^2$

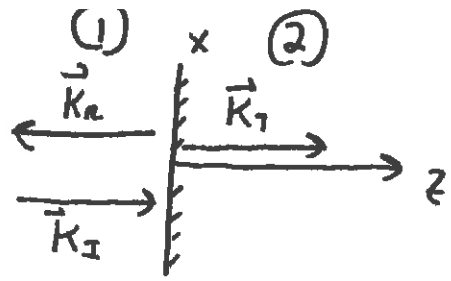
$$\vec{B} = \vec{E}/v$$

Boundary conditions: Assume  $\rho_F = \vec{J}_F (= \sigma_F = \vec{K}_F) = 0$  !

From $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D} = \rho_F$ we get	$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_1 E_1^\perp &= \epsilon_2 E_2^\perp \\ B_1^\perp &= B_2^\perp \\ \vec{E}_1^\parallel &= \vec{E}_2^\parallel \\ \frac{1}{\mu_1} \vec{B}_1^\parallel &= \frac{1}{\mu_2} \vec{B}_2^\parallel \end{aligned}$	Do you see why? Convince yourself, (what are the <u>tricks</u> to get these?) This is <u>very</u> general!
From $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$ " "		
From $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$ " "		
From $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H} = \vec{J}_F + \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t}$ " "		

these conditions will tell us how light behaves at interfaces  
 Eyeglasses, microscopes, anti-reflection coating, it's all here!

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Case 1, normally incident light

INCOMING:  $\vec{E}_I = \vec{E}_{0I} e^{i(K_I z - \omega t)} \hat{n}$  where  $\hat{n} \cdot \hat{k} = 0$

If  $\vec{E}_I$  is linearly polarized,  $\hat{n}$  is any constant vector (in xy plane)

So let's define our x axis to be the polarization axis! This is still quite general, + lets us get specific right away

So our earlier results tell us, for incoming polarized plane wave:

$$\vec{E}_I = \vec{E}_{0I} e^{i(K_I z - \omega t)} \hat{x}$$

$$\vec{B}_I = \frac{\vec{E}_{0I}}{v} e^{i(K_I z - \omega t)} \hat{y}$$

This is required, comes from Maxwell Eq's in region (1)

This will hit the boundary, producing Transmitted + reflected waves:

$$\vec{E}_T = \vec{E}_{0T} e^{i(K_T z - \omega t)} \hat{n}_T ; \vec{B}_T = \hat{k}_T \times \vec{E}_T / v_2 ; v_2 = \frac{\omega_T}{K_T}$$

$$\text{and } \vec{E}_R = \vec{E}_{0R} e^{i(K_R z - \omega t)} \hat{n}_R ; \text{ etc. And } \frac{\omega_I}{K_I} = \frac{\omega_R}{K_R} = v_1$$

Lots of unknowns!  $\vec{E}_{0T}, \vec{E}_{0R}$ , polarizations, frequencies, ...

you might guess  $\hat{n}_T = \hat{n}_R = \hat{x}$  (why would polarization rotate?)

" " "  $\omega_T = \omega_R = \omega_I$  (" " frequency change?)

Boundary conditions will tell us!

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B.C.:  $\vec{E}_{(1)} \parallel \vec{E}_{(2)}$ . Here " $\parallel$ " means "parallel to the boundary"

But these waves are transverse, a normally incident wave is automatically entirely "parallel" to the boundary, (meaning direction of  $\vec{E}$  is parallel)

•  $\vec{E}_{(1)} = \vec{E}_{(2)}$  at the  $z=0$  boundary!

But by superposition,  $\vec{E}_{(1)} = \vec{E}_I(z=0) + \vec{E}_R(z=0)$ ;  $\vec{E}_{(2)} = \vec{E}_T(z=0)$

$$\text{so } \vec{E}_{0I} e^{i(0-\omega_I t)} \hat{n}_I + \vec{E}_{0R} e^{i(0-\omega_R t)} \hat{n}_R = \vec{E}_{0T} e^{-i\omega_T t} \hat{n}_T$$

$$\text{or, (constant vector)} e^{-i\omega_I t} + (\text{constant vector}) e^{-i\omega_R t} = (\text{constant vector}) e^{-i\omega_T t}$$

I claim there's no way for such a relation to hold for all times, unless  $\omega_I = \omega_R = \omega_T$ . \*(See supplemental p 28 b for my proof)

(Think about a simpler case, if  $( ) \cos \omega_1 t = ( ) \cos \omega_2 t$  for all  $t$ , this just cannot be true unless  $\omega_1 = \omega_2$ .)

So boundaries don't change  $\omega$  (as I suspected). This makes physical sense to me:  $\vec{E}_I$  is driving oscillations at frequency  $\omega_I$  + the material wiggles at that frequency, creating outgoing (reflected & transmitted) waves at that same frequency!

(Note that  $v_1 \neq v_2$ , so  $k_1 \neq k_2$ , wavelength is not same everywhere!)

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Suppose  $Ae^{iat} + Be^{ibt} = Ce^{ict}$  for all  $t$  (and constant)  
 $A, B, C \neq 0$

Can this be? Divide by  $e^{iat}$  to get

$$A + B e^{i(b-a)t} = C e^{i(c-a)t} \quad \text{for all } t.$$

$$\text{At } t=0 \Rightarrow A + B = C$$

$$\text{At } t = \frac{2\pi}{b-a} \Rightarrow A + B = C e^{i 2\pi \frac{(b-a)}{(c-a)}} \quad \left. \vphantom{\text{At } t = \frac{2\pi}{b-a}} \right] \text{ these must be equal.}$$

So we must have  $e^{i 2\pi \frac{(b-a)}{(c-a)}} = 1$ , meaning  $c-a = b-a$ , or  $c=b$ .

(you can think about how to extend this if you worry about  $\frac{b-a}{c-a} = N\pi$ )

So, apparently you need  $b=c$ , but start again with  $b=c$

$$A e^{iat} + B e^{ibt} = C e^{ibt} \quad \text{for all } t.$$

$$\text{or } A = (C-B) e^{i(b-a)t} \quad \text{" " "}$$

This is Nonsense! The left side is constant, the right side varies with time! unless  $b=a$ , but then  $b=a=c$ !

(or,  $C-B=A=0$ , but I assume  $A \neq B, C \neq 0$ )

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Bottom line: you cannot have 3 terms with different frequencies

that always "cancel each other" or "balance" at all times, it can't happen!

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Back to our  $\vec{E}_0 = \vec{E}_0$  eq'n. (Now  $e^{-i\omega t}$  cancels out, +

$$\vec{E}_{01} \hat{x} + \vec{E}_{02} \hat{n}_2 = \vec{E}_{0T} \hat{n}_T \quad (\text{at } z=0) \quad (1)$$

Next, consider another B.C.  $\frac{\vec{B}_1}{\mu_1} = \frac{\vec{B}_2}{\mu_2}$  at  $z=0$ , which says

$$\frac{\vec{E}_{01}}{\mu_1 v_1} \hat{y} + \frac{\vec{E}_{02}}{\mu_1 v_1} (-\hat{k}_1 \times \hat{n}_2) = \frac{\vec{E}_{0T}}{\mu_2 v_2} (\hat{k}_2 \times \hat{n}_T) \quad (2)$$

(I used  $\vec{B} = \frac{\hat{k} \times \vec{E}}{v}$  here, and noted  $\hat{k}_2 = -\hat{k}_1$ , + cancelled  $e^{-i\omega t}$

you must work this out! Assume  $\left. \begin{aligned} \hat{n}_2 &= n_{2x} \hat{x} + n_{2y} \hat{y} \\ \hat{n}_T &= n_{Tx} \hat{x} + n_{Ty} \hat{y} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{Fully general!}$

Work out those cross products, + then compare your eq'ns (1) & (2)

you will find they are inconsistent + impossible unless  $n_{2y} = n_{Ty} = 0$

Summary: using the "parallel" component boundary conditions, we learned  $\omega$ 's are all the same, & polarization doesn't rotate.

(This arose from linearity, there are ways to rotate polarization) with nonlinear materials

So our B.C (1) is now  $\vec{E}_{01} + \vec{E}_{02} = \vec{E}_{0T}$

$$\text{B.C. (2) is } \frac{\vec{E}_{01}}{\mu_1 v_1} - \frac{\vec{E}_{02}}{\mu_1 v_1} = \frac{\vec{E}_{0T}}{\mu_2 v_2}$$

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we have 2 eq'ns in 2 unknowns,  $\tilde{E}_{0R}$  and  $\tilde{E}_{0T}$ . ( $\tilde{E}_{0I}$  is given)

If you define  $\beta \equiv \frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2}$ , we have  $\begin{cases} \tilde{E}_{0I} + \tilde{E}_{0R} = \tilde{E}_{0T} \\ \tilde{E}_{0I} - \tilde{E}_{0R} = \beta \tilde{E}_{0T} \end{cases}$

• Normally,  $\mu_1 \approx \mu_2 \approx \mu_0$ , so  $\beta \approx \frac{v_1}{v_2} = n_2/n_1$

So if we're going "low  $n$  to high  $n$ ", like air to glass,  $\beta > 1$

• Those 2 eq'ns are quick to solve, try it yourself!

$$\tilde{E}_{0T} = \frac{2}{1+\beta} \tilde{E}_{0I} \quad \left( \approx \frac{2n_1}{n_1+n_2} \tilde{E}_{0I} \text{ if } \mu_1 \approx \mu_2 \approx \mu_0 \right)$$

$$\tilde{E}_{0R} = \frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta} \tilde{E}_{0I} \quad \left( \approx \frac{n_1-n_2}{n_1+n_2} \tilde{E}_{0I} \text{ " " } \right)$$

These are called Fresnel Equations. They tell us the reflected + transmitted waves. We're done! Given  $\tilde{E}_{0I}$ , we have  $\tilde{E}_{0R}$  &  $\tilde{E}_{0T}$ !  
(Parallel) Boundary conditions totally solved the problem!  
Notes: •  $n$ 's are real, no complex phases are introduced.

• If  $n_2 > n_1$ ,  $\tilde{E}_{0R}$  has a sign flip, (but  $\tilde{E}_{0T}$  never flips)

Like wave on a string! Hitting a heavy rope (slow wave, bigger  $n$ ) you will flip the reflected wave on the lighter string.

• If  $n_1 = n_2$ ,  $\tilde{E}_{0T} = \tilde{E}_{0I}$ ,  $\tilde{E}_{0R} = 0$ . (Good!  $n_1 = n_2 \Rightarrow$  no boundary nothing happens!)

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What about energy flow, Intensity? Recall  $I = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon v \epsilon_0^2$

$$\text{Define } T \equiv \frac{I_T}{I_I} = \begin{array}{c} \text{transmission} \\ \text{coefficient} \end{array} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_2 v_2 E_{0T}^2}{\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_1 v_1 E_{0I}^2} = \frac{\epsilon_2 n_1}{\epsilon_1 n_2} \frac{E_{0T}^2}{E_{0I}^2}$$

Once more, assume  $\mu_1 \approx \mu_2 \approx \mu_0$ , so  $n \equiv \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon \mu}{\epsilon_0 \mu_0}} \approx \sqrt{\epsilon / \epsilon_0}$

Then  $\epsilon_1 \approx \epsilon_0 n_1^2$ , and  $\epsilon_2 \approx \epsilon_0 n_2^2$ , so  $T = \frac{n_2}{n_1} E_{0T}^2 / E_{0I}^2$

From previous page,  $T = \frac{n_2}{n_1} \cdot \frac{4 n_1^2}{(n_1 + n_2)^2} = 4 n_1 n_2 / (n_1 + n_2)^2$

$$\text{Similarly, } R = \frac{I_R}{I_I} = \frac{E_{0R}^2}{E_{0I}^2} = \frac{(n_1 - n_2)^2}{(n_1 + n_2)^2}$$

Notes:  $R + T = 1$ , good, this is basically conservation of energy!

If  $n_1 \approx n_2$ ,  $T \rightarrow 1$ ,  $R \rightarrow 0$  makes sense, "nothing happens"

• If either  $n_1 \gg n_2$  or  $n_2 \gg n_1$ ,  $T \rightarrow 0$ ,  $R \rightarrow 1$ . "Mismatch  $\Rightarrow$  poor transmission"  
(See p. 9.31 b)  $\uparrow$

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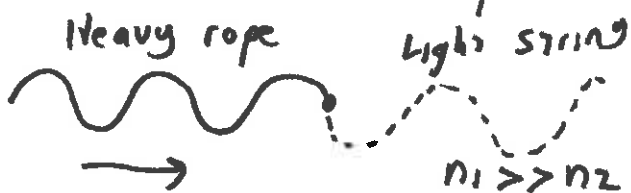
Some comments about R & T:

if  $n_1 \gg n_2$ , we have  $\tilde{E}_{0T} \approx 2\tilde{E}_{0I}$   
 heavy glass  $\rightarrow$  air  $\tilde{E}_{0R} \approx \tilde{E}_{0I}$  } This looks odd. we fully reflect, yet also transmit. Is this OK?

yes, because energy flow (T & R) involve velocity too (or  $n$ 's)

As we saw, the much larger  $v_2 \Leftrightarrow$  much smaller  $n_2$ , makes  $T \rightarrow 0!$

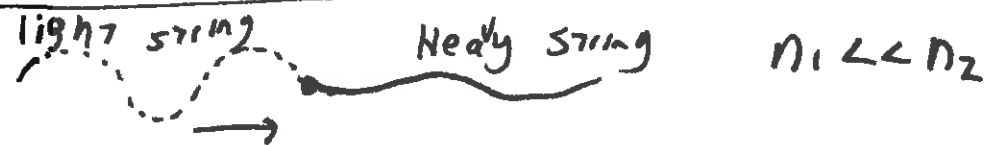
Energy is "bunched up" in the big  $n_1$  side, it's stored as polarization

A simple analogy might help: 

yes, the light string has an amplitude, it wiggles plenty, but it is not carrying away energy, the energy all reflects!

Note in this case  $E_{\text{total}}(z=0) = E_0 + E_R = 2E_{0I} = E_{\text{total}}(z=0)$

so the amplitudes match up at b'dry in this case.

If reverse it, 

Now  $E_T \rightarrow 0$ ,  $E_R \approx -E_I$  (so @  $z=0$ , no motion)

Again,  $T \rightarrow 0$  here. In general, mismatch of  $n$ 's at b'dry

$\Rightarrow$  "impedance mismatch"  $\Rightarrow$  poor transmission of energy



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In 1<sup>st</sup> case of previous page ( $n_1 \gg n_2$ ), we have, away from  $z$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{in } \textcircled{1} \quad \vec{E}_{T01} &= \vec{E}_{01} e^{i(k_1 z - \omega t)} + \vec{E}_{02} e^{i(-k_1 z - \omega t)} \\ &\approx e^{-i\omega t} \left[ \vec{E}_{01} e^{i k_1 z} + \vec{E}_{02} e^{-i k_1 z} \right] \quad \uparrow \text{(use formulas we derived)} \\ &= e^{-i\omega t} 2\vec{E}_{01} \cos k_1 z \quad . \quad \text{If } \vec{E}_{01} \text{ is real,} \end{aligned}$$

$$\bullet \quad \text{Re}(\vec{E}_{T01}) = 2E_{01} \cos k_1 z \cos \omega t$$

This is a standing wave.  $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Energy} \rightarrow \\ \text{Energy} \leftarrow \end{array} \right\}$  no actual net flow of energy, in  $\textcircled{1}$  or  $\textcircled{2}$

In 2<sup>nd</sup> case, with  $n_1 \ll n_2$ , we have ( $z \neq 0$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \text{in } \textcircled{1} \quad \vec{E}_{T01} &= \vec{E}_{02} e^{i(k_1 z - \omega t)} + \vec{E}_{01} e^{i(-k_1 z - \omega t)} \\ &= e^{-i\omega t} \left[ \vec{E}_{02} e^{i k_1 z} - \vec{E}_{01} e^{-i k_1 z} \right] \\ &= e^{-i\omega t} 2\vec{E}_{02} i \sin k_1 z \quad . \quad \text{Again, if } \vec{E}_{02} \text{ is real,} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Re}(\vec{E}_{T01}) = 2E_{02} \sin k_1 z \sin \omega t$$

Again a standing wave!

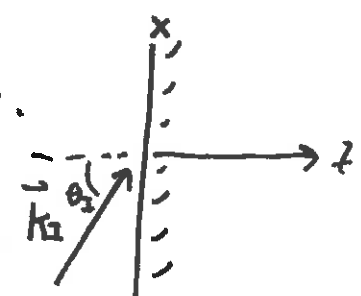
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# R & T for oblique incidence: Snell's Law!

Let's consider incident waves entering at an angle.

There is some plane defined by  $\vec{k}_I$  and  $z$ ,

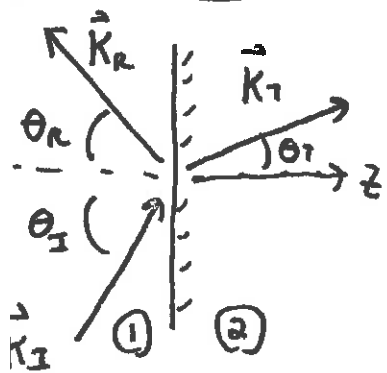
it's called the "plane of incidence". (Here, it's the plane of this paper!)



Let's define our  $x$ -axis so the plane of incidence =  $xz$  plane = " ".

The GAME is the same as our last example:

- Assume plane waves. Boundary CONDITION will tell us everything about reflected + transmitted waves. It's all just Maxwell's eq's!



$$\vec{E}_I = \vec{E}_{0I} e^{i(\vec{k}_I \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)}$$

$$\vec{B}_I = \frac{\hat{k}_I \times \vec{E}_I}{v_1}$$

$$\vec{E}_R = \vec{E}_{0R} e^{i(\vec{k}_R \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)}$$

$$\vec{B}_R = \frac{\hat{k}_R \times \vec{E}_R}{v_1}$$

$$\vec{E}_T = \vec{E}_{0T} e^{i(\vec{k}_T \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)}$$

$$\vec{B}_T = \frac{\hat{k}_T \times \vec{E}_T}{v_2}$$

As before, can't get continuity of  $\vec{E}$  &  $\vec{B}$  unless  $\omega$ 's are all same.

Basically, if  $(\text{Blah}_1) e^{i\omega_1 t} + (\text{Blah}_2) e^{i\omega_2 t} = (\text{Blah}_3) e^{i\omega_3 t} \quad (\forall t)$   
you must have  $\omega_1 = \omega_2 = \omega_3 = \omega$ . No matter how complicated the "Blah's" are, if they don't depend on time, this is obligatory

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Look at any of our B.C.'s (p. 9-26). They all result in some expression  $(\text{Blah}_I) e^{i(\vec{k}_I \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} + (\text{Blah}_R) e^{i(\vec{k}_R \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} = (\text{Blah}_T) e^{i(\vec{k}_T \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)}$

The "Blah"s are complex vectors, but they have no  $\vec{r}$  or  $t$  dependencies.

Here,  $\vec{r}$  will be any vector in the boundary plane  $z=0$ , i.e.  $\vec{r} = (x, y, 0)$  (the  $e^{-i\omega t}$  cancels out.)

But same argument (see p. 286!) says, if  $\vec{r}$  is arbitrary, then we must have  $\vec{k}_I \cdot \vec{r} = \vec{k}_R \cdot \vec{r} = \vec{k}_T \cdot \vec{r}$  for all  $\vec{r}$  in  $z=0$  plane

Note that  $\vec{k}_I = k_{Ix} \hat{x} + k_{Iz} \hat{z}$  is given, it's the incident wave.

so  $(\vec{k}_I - \vec{k}_R) \cdot \vec{r} = 0$  for any  $\vec{r} = (x, y, 0)$

i.e.  $k_{Ix} x - (k_{Rx} x + k_{Ry} y) = 0$  for all  $x$  and all  $y$ .

that requires  $k_{Ry} = 0 \iff$  reflected wave is also "in the page."

and  $k_{Ix} = k_{Rx} \leftarrow$  we'll examine this next page. \*

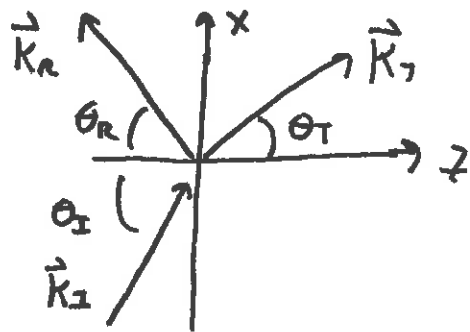
Similarly  $\vec{k}_I \cdot \vec{r} = \vec{k}_T \cdot \vec{r}$  tells us  $k_{Ix} x - (k_{Tx} x + k_{Ty} y) = 0$

so here too,  $k_{Ty} = 0 \iff$  transmitted wave is also "in the page"

and  $k_{Ix} = k_{Tx} \leftarrow$  we'll examine this next page. \*

Don't forget:  $k = \frac{\omega}{v}$  always, we'll use this

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If  $k_{Ix} = k_{Rx}$ , then (see picture:)

$$k_I \sin \theta_I = k_R \sin \theta_R$$

But  $k_I = k_R = \omega/v_1$ , so

$$\boxed{\sin \theta_I = \sin \theta_R} \quad \text{\textit{\theta} of incidence = \textit{\theta} of reflection, all in one plane}$$

This Law arises purely from Maxwell's equations!

Also, if  $k_{Ix} = k_{Tx}$ , then (see picture)  $k_I \sin \theta_I = k_T \sin \theta_T$

$$\text{But } \frac{k_T}{k_I} = \frac{\omega/v_2}{\omega/v_1} = \frac{v_1}{v_2} = \frac{n_2}{n_1}, \text{ so } \frac{\sin \theta_I}{\sin \theta_T} = \frac{k_T}{k_I} = \frac{v_1}{v_2} = \frac{n_2}{n_1}$$

or  $\boxed{n_1 \sin \theta_I = n_2 \sin \theta_T}$  Snell's law of refraction!

Again, a general law for any waves incident on a boundary.

We haven't explicitly used any of the B.C.'s in detail yet!

Snell's law arises only from assuming linear, homogeneous media.

(In fact, any waves that are "continuous" in any way will give this same result. It's quite general)

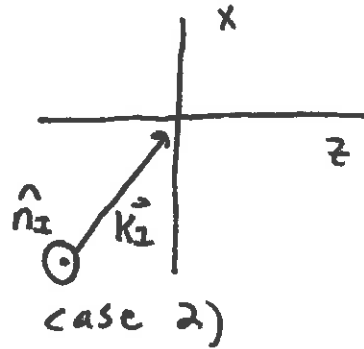
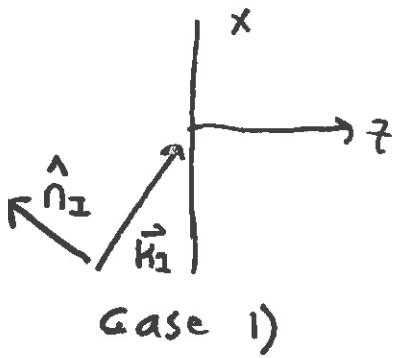
The above also tells us that when we do start applying our Maxwell Boundary Conditions in detail, that all  $e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)}$  terms cancel!

(So, for the next pages, we can cheerfully drop these  $\uparrow$  for B.C.'s)

You might be content with Snell's law, but we can go further + find reflected + transmitted amplitudes + intensities too! To do this, though, we need to specify the polarization of  $\vec{E}_I \equiv \hat{n}_I$ . It matters!

Case 1)  $\hat{n}_I$  lies in our plane of incidence ("the paper")

2)  $\hat{n}_I$  is  $\perp$  to our plane " " ( " )



- Any other case is a linear combo of these!
- Results are similar but not identical. We'll do case 1), you can do case 2)!

Case 1)  $\hat{n}_I$  has no  $\hat{y}$  component:  $\hat{k}_I = \sin \theta_I \hat{x} + \cos \theta_I \hat{z}$  ← convince yourself!

$$\hat{n}_I = \cos \theta_I \hat{x} - \sin \theta_I \hat{z} \leftarrow \text{"}$$

Quick check:  $\hat{n}_I \cdot \hat{k}_I = 0$ , as it must for travelling EM waves!)

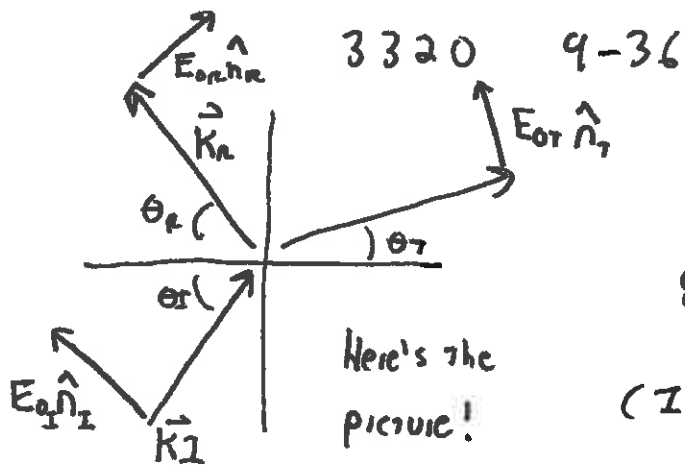
B.C.'s

see p. 26!

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \epsilon_1 E_{\perp 1} = \epsilon_2 E_{\perp 2} \\ B_{\perp 1} = B_{\perp 2} \\ \vec{E}_{\parallel 1} = \vec{E}_{\parallel 2} \\ \vec{B}_{\parallel 1} = \vec{B}_{\parallel 2} \end{array} \right\}$$

- All of these are just for  $z=0$
- " $\perp$ " here means " $\perp$  to boundary", i.e. it means "take z-components"
- $B_{\perp 1} = B_{\perp 2}$  tells us nothing, since for case 1, neither  $\vec{B}$  has any  $B_{\perp}$ ! (convince yourself!)

(• Last eq'n turns out to be redundant, it adds nothing)



1<sup>st</sup> B.C., in  $\hat{z}$  direction to get "E<sup>z</sup>", says

$$\epsilon_1 (\tilde{E}_{I0} (\hat{n}_I)_z + \tilde{E}_{R0} (\hat{n}_R)_z) = \epsilon_2 \tilde{E}_{T0} (\hat{n}_T)_z$$

(I cancelled  $e^{i(\dots)}$  as promised)

Stare at the figure, take z components:

1<sup>st</sup> B.C.  $\epsilon_1 (\tilde{E}_{I0} (-\sin \theta_I) + \tilde{E}_{R0} (\sin \theta_R)) = \epsilon_2 \tilde{E}_{T0} (-\sin \theta_T)$

Use Snell's law,  $\sin \theta_I = \sin \theta_R$  and  $\sin \theta_T = \sin \theta_I (n_1/n_2)$

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon_1 (\tilde{E}_{O1} (-1) + \tilde{E}_{OR}) = \epsilon_2 \tilde{E}_{OT} (-1) (n_1/n_2)$$

3<sup>rd</sup> B.C.  $\tilde{E}_0'' = \tilde{E}_0'$  Here, "''" means "parallel to boundary", i.e.

"take x components" (since E has no y component)

$$\text{So } \tilde{E}_{O1} \cos \theta_I + \tilde{E}_{OR} \cos \theta_R = \tilde{E}_{OT} \cos \theta_T$$

(convince yourself that the  $\vec{B}$  B.C. gives no new info!)

So we have 2 eqns in 2 unknowns  $\tilde{E}_{OT}$  and  $\tilde{E}_{OR}$

$$\tilde{E}_{O1} - \tilde{E}_{OR} = \frac{\epsilon_2}{\epsilon_1} \frac{n_1}{n_2} \tilde{E}_{OT} = \beta \tilde{E}_{OT} \quad (\text{same } \beta \text{ as on p. 30!})$$

$\beta \approx n_2/n_1$   $\uparrow$

$$\tilde{E}_{O1} + \tilde{E}_{OR} = \tilde{E}_{OT} \frac{\cos \theta_T}{\cos \theta_I} \equiv \alpha \tilde{E}_{OT} \quad (\alpha \text{ is a constant. Given } \theta_I)$$

(Snell's law gives us  $\theta_T$ )

(These 2 eqns are easy to solve, do it yourself!)

So it's fully determined by  $\theta_I$

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these eq'ns give  $\tilde{E}_{0T} = 2 / (\alpha + \beta) \tilde{E}_{0I}$   
 $\tilde{E}_{0R} = (\alpha - \beta) / (\alpha + \beta) \tilde{E}_{0I}$  } Again called "Fresnel eqns"

That's it! We're done, we have the reflected + transmitted amplitudes!

some observations: If  $\theta_I = 0$ , Snell  $\Rightarrow \theta_R = \theta_T = 0$ , and  $\alpha = 1$

This restores our "normal incidence" formulas, a nice check.

$\tilde{E}_{0T}$  is always in phase with  $\tilde{E}_{0I}$ . The reflected wave can get a minus sign if  $\alpha < \beta$ , you need to look back at the picture on p. 36 to really interpret that sign, though! (Since  $\hat{n}_R$  has x and z components)

But, no complex phases are introduced anywhere.

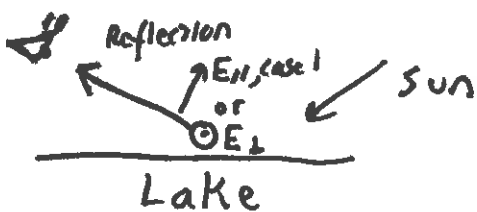
• The  $\vec{B}$  fields all follow easily from  $\hat{k} \times \vec{E} / v$ .

• Unlike our "normal incidence" example,  $\tilde{E}_{0R}$  and  $\tilde{E}_{0T}$  do depend on  $\theta_I$ , they are not simply determined by  $n_1$  and  $n_2$

• If  $\alpha = \beta$ , then  $\tilde{E}_{0R} = 0$ . That's interesting! This is a special angle, Brewster's angle, defined by  $\alpha = \beta \Rightarrow \frac{\cos \theta_T}{\cos \theta_I} = \frac{n_1}{n_2}$

At this angle, all light transmits. (But remember, this is only true

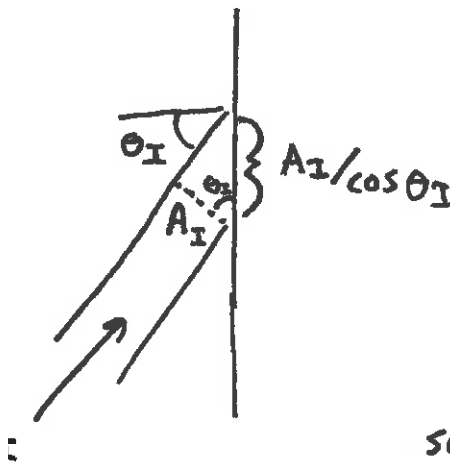
for "case 1", i.e. when polarization is in the plane.)



If sunglasses cut out polarization  $\perp$  to plane, (e.g. "vertically polarizing") then all glare at the Brewster angle will be 0, no reflection!

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For R & T (Intensity of Reflected & Transmitted light)



Geometrically:

$$|S| = \frac{\text{Power in}}{\text{Area}_{I,\perp}}, \text{ so Power} = |S| \cdot A_{I,\perp}$$

$$\text{But Intensity is } \frac{\text{Power}}{\text{wall area}} = \frac{|S| A_{I,\perp}}{(A_I / \cos \theta)}$$

$$\text{so } \underline{I = |S| \cos \theta}.$$

$$\text{(Formally, } I = \langle \vec{S} \rangle \cdot \hat{z} \Rightarrow |S| \cos \theta)$$

$$\text{so } I_I = \langle S_I \rangle \cos \theta_I, \quad I_R = \langle S_R \rangle \cos \theta_R, \quad I_T = \langle S_T \rangle \cos \theta_T$$

$$\text{thus } R \equiv \frac{I_R}{I_I} = \frac{E_{0R}^2}{E_{0I}^2} = \frac{(\alpha - \beta)^2}{(\alpha + \beta)^2} \quad (\text{Recall } I = \frac{1}{2} E V E^2)$$

$$\text{but } T \text{ has a subtlety: } T \equiv \frac{I_T}{I_I} = \frac{n_2}{n_1} \frac{E_{0T}^2}{E_{0I}^2} \frac{\cos \theta_T}{\cos \theta_I} = \alpha \beta \frac{4}{(\alpha + \beta)^2}$$

$\uparrow$  See notes p. 31, this comes from  $\frac{1}{2} E V E^2$   
 $\uparrow$  This is  $\alpha$ , it comes from the geometry argument, above

so once again,  $R + T = 1$  (as it must!)

See Griffiths for plots, (and the "trig tricks" to relate  $\alpha \equiv \frac{\cos \theta_T}{\cos \theta_I}$  to  $\theta_I$ , using Snell's law)



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If  $n_2 < n_1$  (e.g. water to air), there is a critical angle,  $\theta_{I(crit)}$ ,  
 $\sin \theta_c = n_2/n_1$ , for which  $\theta_T = 90^\circ$ . If  $\theta_I > \theta_c$ , you cannot transmit  
 any light. You get Total Internal Reflection, TIR. This has many  
 practical implications, e.g. low loss light transmission in optical fibers

There's an interesting issue here, though. Suppose we try to use our formal

results even when  $\theta_I > \theta_c$ . ~~sin~~  $\sin \theta_T = \frac{n_1 \sin \theta_I}{n_2} > 1$  (!!)

$$\vec{E}_T = \vec{E}_{0T} e^{i(\vec{k}_T \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} = \vec{E}_{0T} e^{i(K_{2,x}x + K_{2,y}y + K_{2,z}z - \omega t)}$$

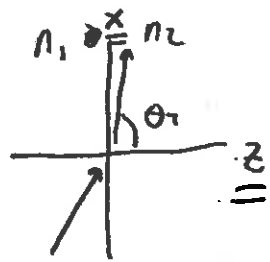
Here  $K_2 = \frac{\omega}{c} n_2$  Formally,  $K_{2,x} = K_2 \sin \theta_T = \frac{\omega n_2 \sin \theta_T}{c} = \frac{\omega n_1 \sin \theta_I}{c}$

Snell's law

$$K_{2,y} = 0$$

$$K_{2,z} = K_2 \cos \theta_T = \frac{\omega n_2}{c} \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta_T}$$

Pure imaginary!!



so we have  $\vec{E}_T = \vec{E}_{0T} e^{-\frac{\omega n_2}{c} \sqrt{\sin^2 \theta_T - 1} z} e^{i(\omega(\frac{n_1 \sin \theta_I}{c} x - t)}$  Since  $\sin \theta_T > 1$  here

Exponentially dies in  $z$  direction.

So indeed, no energy flow in  $+z$  direction, but still  $E \neq 0$

This is called an "Evanescent wave"

It's a classical effect, a bit reminiscent of quantum tunneling. (There's no Poynting flux  $\perp$  to surface, but physical effects are real & observable)