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ELECTROMAGNETIC WAVES IN VACUUM

➤ THE WAVE EQUATION

- ❖ In regions of free space (i.e. the vacuum) - where no electric charges - no electric currents and no matter of any kind are present - Maxwell's equations (in differential form) are:

$$1) \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = 0$$

$$2) \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t) = 0$$

$$3) \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t}$$

$$4) \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t) = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t}$$

$(c^2 = 1/\epsilon_0 \mu_0)$

Set of coupled first-order partial differential equations

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- We can de-couple Maxwell's equations -by applying the curl operator to equations 3) and 4):

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E}) &= \vec{\nabla} \times \left(-\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \right) \\ &= \vec{\nabla} \left(\cancel{\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}}^{\neq 0} \right) - \nabla^2 \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}) \\ &= -\nabla^2 \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} \right) \\ &= \boxed{\nabla^2 \vec{E} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}) &= \vec{\nabla} \times \left(\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} \right) \\ &= \vec{\nabla} \left(\cancel{\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B}}^{\neq 0} \right) - \nabla^2 \vec{B} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E}) \\ &= -\nabla^2 \vec{B} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(-\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \right) \\ &= \boxed{\nabla^2 \vec{B} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}}{\partial t^2}}\end{aligned}$$

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- These are three-dimensional de-coupled wave equations.
- Have exactly the same structure – both are linear, homogeneous, 2nd order differential equations.
- Remember that each of the above equations is explicitly dependent on space and time,

i.e. $\vec{E} = \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t)$ and $\vec{B} = \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t)$:

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t) - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

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- Thus, Maxwell's equations implies that empty space – the vacuum {which is not empty, at the microscopic scale} – supports the propagation of {macroscopic} electromagnetic waves - which propagate at the speed of light {in vacuum}:

$$c = 1/\sqrt{\epsilon_0\mu_0} = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

MONOCHROMATIC EM PLANE WAVES

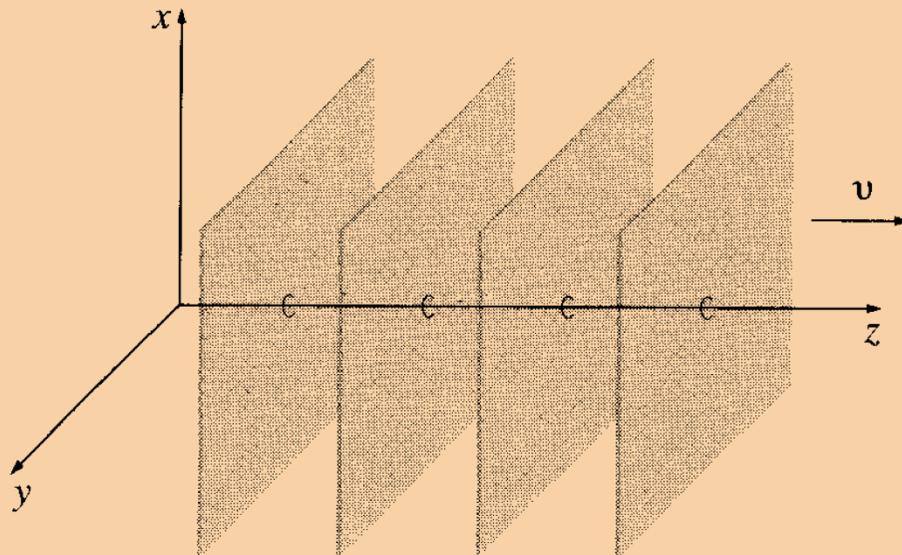
- EM plane waves propagating in free space with speed $c = f\lambda = \omega/k$ - consisting of a single frequency f - wavelength $\lambda = c/f$ - angular frequency $\omega = 2\pi f$ and wave-number $k = 2\pi/\lambda$ - called Monochromatic.
- Visible region of the EM spectrum $\{\sim 380 \text{ nm (violet)} \leq \lambda \leq \sim 780 \text{ nm (red)}\}$ - EM light waves of a given frequency / wavelength are perceived by the human eye as having a specific-single colour.

Single- frequency EM waves are called mono-chromatic.

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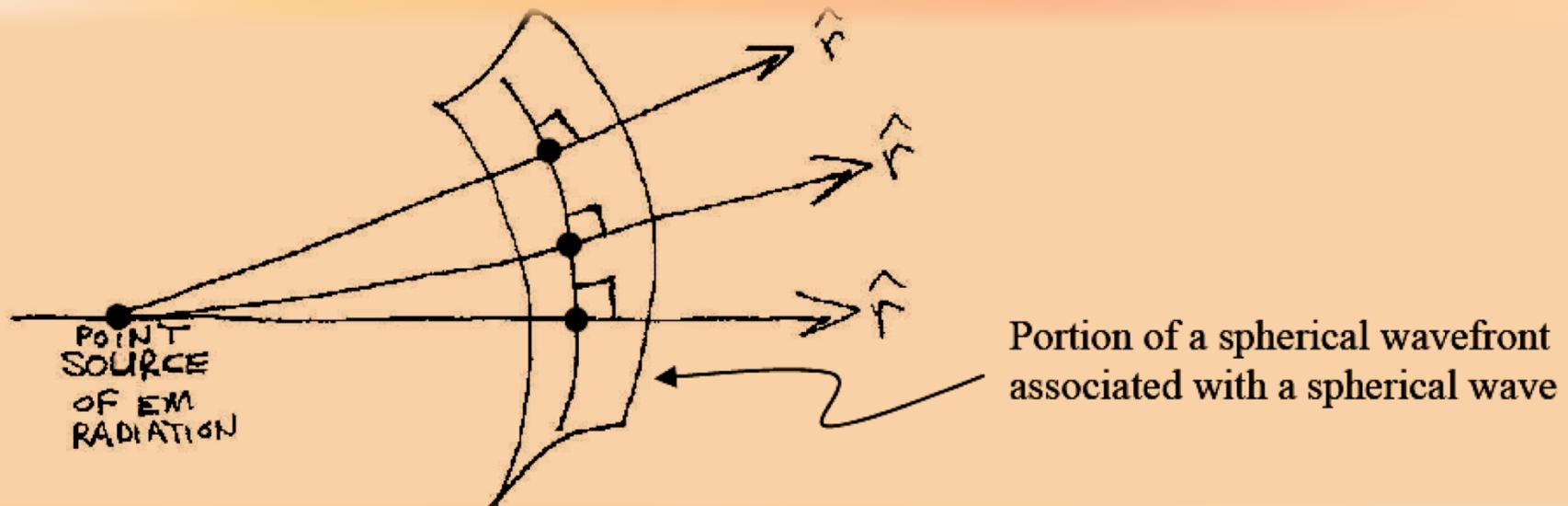
EM waves that propagate e.g. in the \hat{z} direction- with no explicit x - or y -dependence are known as plane waves.

For a given time= t the wave front(s) of the EM wave lie in a plane which is \perp to the \hat{z} -axis,



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There also exist spherical EM waves – emitted from a point source – the wave-fronts associated with these EM waves are spherical - do not lie in a plane \perp to the direction of propagation of the EM wave



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If the point source is infinitely far away from observer- then a spherical wave \rightarrow plane wave in this limit- the radius of curvature $\rightarrow \infty$ and a spherical surface becomes planar as

$R_C \rightarrow \infty$. Criterion for a plane wave: $\lambda \ll R_C$

Monochromatic plane waves associated with \vec{E} and \vec{B}

$$\vec{\tilde{B}}(z, t) = \vec{\tilde{B}}_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)}$$

$$\vec{\tilde{E}}(z, t) = \vec{\tilde{E}}_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)}$$

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$$\vec{\tilde{E}}(z, t) = \vec{\tilde{E}}_o e^{i(kz - \omega t)}$$

Propagating in
+ \hat{z} direction

$$\vec{\tilde{B}}(z, t) = \vec{\tilde{B}}_o e^{i(kz - \omega t)}$$

Propagating in
+ \hat{z} direction

n.b. complex vectors:

e.g. $\vec{\tilde{E}}_o = E_o e^{i\delta} \hat{x}$

n.b. complex vectors:

e.g. $\vec{\tilde{B}}_o = B_o e^{i\delta} \hat{y}$

n.b. The real, physical (instantaneous) fields are:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) \equiv \text{Re}(\vec{\tilde{E}}(\vec{r}, t)) \\ \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t) \equiv \text{Re}(\vec{\tilde{B}}(\vec{r}, t)) \end{array} \right\}$$

Very important
to keep in mind!!

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Maxwell's equations for free space impose additional constraints on \vec{E}_o and \vec{B}_o

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Since: } \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = 0 & \quad \text{and: } \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \\ & = \text{Re}(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}) = 0 & & = \text{Re}(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B}) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

These two relations can only be satisfied

$$\forall(\vec{r}, t) \text{ if } \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = 0 \quad \forall(\vec{r}, t) \text{ and } \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \quad \forall(\vec{r}, t)$$

In Cartesian coordinates:
$$\vec{\nabla} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{z}$$

Thus: $(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}) = 0$ and $(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B}) = 0$ become:

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$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{z} \right) \cdot \left(\vec{\tilde{E}}_o e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \right) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{z} \right) \cdot \left(\vec{\tilde{B}}_o e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \right) = 0$$

Now suppose we do allow:

$$\vec{\tilde{E}}_o = \underbrace{\left(E_{ox} \hat{x} + E_{oy} \hat{y} + E_{oz} \hat{z} \right)}_{\text{polarization in } \hat{x}-\hat{y}-\hat{z} \text{ (3-D)}} e^{i\delta} \equiv \vec{E}_o e^{i\delta}$$

$$\vec{\tilde{B}}_o = \underbrace{\left(B_{ox} \hat{x} + B_{oy} \hat{y} + B_{oz} \hat{z} \right)}_{\text{polarization in } \hat{x}-\hat{y}-\hat{z} \text{ (3-D)}} e^{i\delta} \equiv \vec{B}_o e^{i\delta}$$

Then

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{z} \right) \cdot \left(E_{ox} \hat{x} + E_{oy} \hat{y} + E_{oz} \hat{z} \right) e^{i\delta} e^{i(kz - \omega t)} = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{z} \right) \cdot \left(B_{ox} \hat{x} + B_{oy} \hat{y} + B_{oz} \hat{z} \right) e^{i\delta} e^{i(kz - \omega t)} = 0$$

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E_{ox} , E_{oy} , E_{oz} = Amplitudes (constants) of the electric field components in x , y , z directions respectively.

B_{ox} , B_{oy} , B_{oz} = Amplitudes (constants) of the magnetic field components in x , y , z directions respectively.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{x} \cdot E_{ox} \hat{x} e^{i(kz - \omega t)} e^{i\delta} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{y} \cdot E_{oy} \hat{y} e^{i(kz - \omega t)} e^{i\delta} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{x} \cdot B_{ox} \hat{x} e^{i(kz - \omega t)} e^{i\delta} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{y} \cdot B_{oy} \hat{y} e^{i(kz - \omega t)} e^{i\delta} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} (e^{az}) = ae^{az}$$

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$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{z} \cdot \mathbf{E}_{oz} \hat{z} e^{i(kz - \omega t)} e^{i\delta} = ikE_{oz} e^{i(kz - \omega t)} e^{i\delta} = 0 \quad \Leftarrow \text{true iff } \boxed{E_{oz} \equiv 0} \quad !!!$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{z} \cdot \mathbf{B}_{oz} \hat{z} e^{i(kz - \omega t)} e^{i\delta} = ikE_{oz} e^{i(kz - \omega t)} e^{i\delta} = 0 \quad \Leftarrow \text{true iff } \boxed{B_{oz} \equiv 0} \quad !!!$$

- Maxwell's equations additionally impose the restriction that an electromagnetic plane wave cannot have any component of \mathbf{E} or $\mathbf{B} \parallel$ to (or anti- \parallel to) the propagation direction (in this case here, the z -direction)
- Another way of stating this is that an EM wave cannot have any longitudinal components of \mathbf{E} and \mathbf{B} (i.e. components of \mathbf{E} and \mathbf{B} lying along the propagation direction).

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- Thus, Maxwell's equations additionally tell us that an EM wave is a purely transverse wave (at least for propagation in free space) – the components of \mathbf{E} and \mathbf{B} must be \perp to propagation direction.
- The plane of polarization of an EM wave is defined (by convention) to be parallel to \mathbf{E} .

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Maxwell's equations impose another restriction on the allowed form of E and B for an EM wave:

$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$	and/or:	$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$
$= \text{Re} \left(\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\tilde{E}} \right) = \text{Re} \left(-\frac{\partial \vec{\tilde{B}}}{\partial t} \right)$		$= \text{Re} \left(\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\tilde{B}} \right) = \text{Re} \left(\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \vec{\tilde{E}}}{\partial t} \right)$

Can only be satisfied $\forall (\vec{r}, t)$ *iff*:

$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\tilde{E}} = -\frac{\partial \vec{\tilde{B}}}{\partial t}$	and/or:	$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\tilde{B}} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \vec{\tilde{E}}}{\partial t}$
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$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = \left(\frac{\cancel{\partial \tilde{E}_z}}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial \tilde{E}_y}{\partial z} \right) \hat{x} + \left(\frac{\partial \tilde{E}_x}{\partial z} - \frac{\cancel{\partial \tilde{E}_y}}{\partial x} \right) \hat{y} + \left(\frac{\cancel{\partial \tilde{E}_y}}{\partial x} - \frac{\cancel{\partial \tilde{E}_x}}{\partial y} \right) \hat{z} = -\frac{\partial \tilde{B}_x}{\partial t} \hat{x} - \frac{\partial \tilde{B}_y}{\partial t} \hat{y} - \frac{\cancel{\partial \tilde{B}_z}}{\partial t} \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \left(\frac{\cancel{\partial \tilde{B}_z}}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial \tilde{B}_y}{\partial z} \right) \hat{x} + \left(\frac{\partial \tilde{B}_x}{\partial z} - \frac{\cancel{\partial \tilde{B}_y}}{\partial x} \right) \hat{y} + \left(\frac{\cancel{\partial \tilde{B}_y}}{\partial x} - \frac{\cancel{\partial \tilde{B}_x}}{\partial y} \right) \hat{z} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \tilde{E}_x}{\partial t} \hat{x} + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \tilde{E}_y}{\partial t} \hat{y} + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\cancel{\partial \tilde{E}_z}}{\partial t} \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{E} = \tilde{E}_x \hat{x} + \tilde{E}_y \hat{y} + \cancel{\tilde{E}_z} \hat{z} = \left(E_{ox} \hat{x} + E_{oy} \hat{y} + \cancel{E_{oz}} \hat{z} \right) e^{i(kz - \omega t)} e^{i\delta}$$

$$\vec{B} = \tilde{B}_x \hat{x} + \tilde{B}_y \hat{y} + \cancel{\tilde{B}_z} \hat{z} = \left(B_{ox} \hat{x} + B_{oy} \hat{y} + \cancel{B_{oz}} \hat{z} \right) e^{i(kz - \omega t)} e^{i\delta}$$

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$$\vec{\tilde{E}} = \tilde{E}_x \hat{x} + \tilde{E}_y \hat{y} = (E_{ox} \hat{x} + E_{oy} \hat{y}) e^{i(kz - \omega t)} e^{i\delta}$$

$$\vec{\tilde{B}} = \tilde{B}_x \hat{x} + \tilde{B}_y \hat{y} = (B_{ox} \hat{x} + B_{oy} \hat{y}) e^{i(kz - \omega t)} e^{i\delta}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\tilde{E}} = -\frac{\partial \tilde{E}_y}{\partial z} \hat{x} + \frac{\partial \tilde{E}_x}{\partial z} \hat{y} = -\frac{\partial \tilde{B}_x}{\partial t} \hat{x} - \frac{\partial \tilde{B}_y}{\partial t} \hat{y}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\tilde{B}} = -\frac{\partial \tilde{B}_y}{\partial z} \hat{x} + \frac{\partial \tilde{B}_x}{\partial z} \hat{y} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \tilde{E}_x}{\partial t} \hat{x} + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \tilde{E}_y}{\partial t} \hat{y}$$

Can only be satisfied /
can only be true *iff* the
 \hat{x} and \hat{y} relations are
separately / independently
satisfied $\forall (\vec{r}, t)$!

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$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\tilde{E}} : \quad \boxed{-\frac{\partial \tilde{E}_y}{\partial z} \hat{x} = -\frac{\partial \tilde{B}_x}{\partial t} \hat{x}} \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{\partial \tilde{E}_y}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial \tilde{B}_x}{\partial t}} \Rightarrow \boxed{ikE_{oy} = -i\omega B_{ox}} \quad (1)$$

$$\boxed{+\frac{\partial \tilde{E}_x}{\partial z} \hat{y} = -\frac{\partial \tilde{B}_y}{\partial t} \hat{y}} \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{\partial \tilde{E}_x}{\partial z} = -\frac{\partial \tilde{B}_y}{\partial t}} \Rightarrow \boxed{ikE_{ox} = +i\omega B_{oy}} \quad (2)$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\tilde{B}} : \quad \boxed{-\frac{\partial \tilde{B}_y}{\partial z} \hat{x} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \tilde{E}_x}{\partial t} \hat{x}} \Rightarrow \boxed{-\frac{\partial \tilde{B}_y}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \tilde{E}_x}{\partial t}} \Rightarrow \boxed{-ikB_{oy} = -\frac{1}{c^2} i\omega E_{ox}} \quad (3)$$

$$\boxed{+\frac{\partial \tilde{B}_x}{\partial z} \hat{y} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \tilde{E}_y}{\partial t} \hat{y}} \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{\partial \tilde{B}_x}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \tilde{E}_y}{\partial t}} \Rightarrow \boxed{ikB_{ox} = -\frac{1}{c^2} i\omega E_{oy}} \quad (4)$$

$$\text{From (1):} \quad \boxed{ik\tilde{E}_{oy} = -i\omega B_{ox}} \Rightarrow \boxed{E_{oy} = -\left(\frac{\omega}{k}\right) B_{ox}} \quad \text{or:} \quad \boxed{B_{ox} = -\left(\frac{k}{\omega}\right) E_{oy}}$$

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From (2): $ik\tilde{E}_{ox} = +i\omega B_{oy}$ \Rightarrow $E_{ox} = +\left(\frac{\omega}{k}\right)B_{oy}$ or: $B_{oy} = +\left(\frac{k}{\omega}\right)E_{ox}$

From (3): $-ikB_{oy} = -\frac{1}{c^2}i\omega E_{ox}$ \Rightarrow $B_{oy} = +\frac{1}{c^2}\left(\frac{\omega}{k}\right)E_{ox}$

From (4): $ikB_{ox} = -\frac{1}{c^2}i\omega E_{oy}$ \Rightarrow $B_{ox} = -\frac{1}{c^2}\left(\frac{\omega}{k}\right)E_{oy}$

$$c = f\lambda = (2\pi f)\left(\frac{\lambda}{2\pi}\right) = \left(\frac{\omega}{k}\right) \quad \frac{1}{c} = \left(\frac{k}{\omega}\right) \quad \left(k = 2\pi/\lambda\right)$$

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$$\underline{\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E}} :$$

(1)

$$B_{ox} = -\frac{1}{c} E_{oy}$$

(2)

$$B_{oy} = +\frac{1}{c} E_{ox}$$

$$\underline{\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}} :$$

(3)

$$B_{oy} = +\frac{1}{c} E_{ox}$$

(4)

$$B_{ox} = -\frac{1}{c} E_{oy}$$

Maxwell's Equations also have some redundancy encrypted into them!

Actually we have only two independent relations:

But:

$$B_{ox} = -\frac{1}{c} E_{oy}$$

$$\hat{z} \times \hat{y} = -\hat{x}$$

and

$$B_{oy} = +\frac{1}{c} E_{ox}$$

$$\hat{z} \times \hat{x} = +\hat{y}$$

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Very Useful Table:

$\hat{x} \times \hat{y} = \hat{z}$	$\hat{y} \times \hat{x} = -\hat{z}$
$\hat{y} \times \hat{z} = \hat{x}$	$\hat{z} \times \hat{y} = -\hat{x}$
$\hat{z} \times \hat{x} = \hat{y}$	$\hat{x} \times \hat{z} = -\hat{y}$

Two relations can be written compactly into one relation:

$$\vec{B}_o = \frac{1}{c} \left(\hat{z} \times \vec{E}_o \right)$$

Physically this relation states that E and B are:

- in phase with each other.
- mutually perpendicular to each other - $(\mathbf{E} \perp \mathbf{B}) \perp \hat{z}$

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The **E** and **B** fields associated with this monochromatic plane EM wave are purely transverse

The real amplitudes of E and B are related to each other by:

$$B_o = \frac{1}{c} E_o$$

with

$$B_o = \sqrt{B_{ox}^2 + B_{oy}^2}$$

and

$$E_o = \sqrt{E_{ox}^2 + E_{oy}^2}$$

Instantaneous Poynting's Vector for a linearly polarized *EM wave*

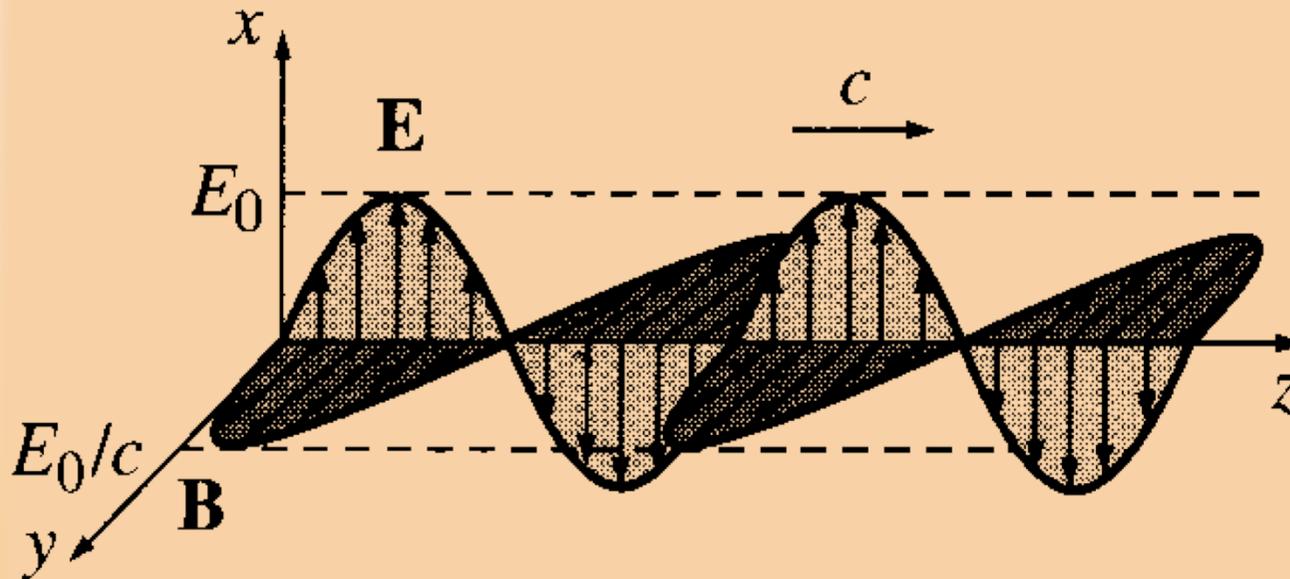
$$\vec{S}(z,t) = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \vec{E}(z,t) \times \vec{B}(z,t) = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \tilde{E}(z,t) \right\} \times \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \tilde{B}(z,t) \right\}$$

$$\vec{S}(z,t) = \frac{1}{\mu_0} E_o B_o \cos^2(kz - \omega t + \delta) \underbrace{(\hat{x} \times \hat{y})}_{=\hat{z}}$$

$$\vec{S}(z,t) = \frac{1}{\mu_0} E_o B_o \cos^2(kz - \omega t + \delta) \hat{z} \quad \left(\frac{\text{Watts}}{\text{m}^2} \right)$$

⇒ EM Power flows in the direction of propagation of the EM wave (here, the $+\hat{z}$ direction)

Instantaneous Poynting's Vector for a linearly polarized *EM wave*



This is the paradigm for a monochromatic plane wave. The wave as a whole is said to be polarized in the x direction (by convention the direction of \mathbf{E} to specify the polarization of an electromagnetic wave).

Instantaneous Energy & Linear Momentum & Angular Momentum in *EM Waves*

Instantaneous Energy Density Associated with an *EM Wave*:

$$u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\epsilon_0 E^2(\vec{r}, t) + \frac{1}{\mu_0} B^2(\vec{r}, t) \right) = u_{elect}(\vec{r}, t) + u_{mag}(\vec{r}, t)$$

where

$$u_{elect}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2(\vec{r}, t)$$

and

$$u_{mag}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{2\mu_0} B^2(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2(\vec{r}, t)$$

Instantaneous Energy & Linear Momentum & Angular Momentum in EM Waves

But $B^2 = \frac{1}{c^2} E^2$ - EM waves in vacuum, and $\frac{1}{c^2} = \epsilon_0 \mu_0$

$$u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\epsilon_0 E^2(\vec{r}, t) + \frac{\epsilon_0 \cancel{\mu_0}}{\cancel{\mu_0}} E^2(\vec{r}, t) \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\epsilon_0 E^2(\vec{r}, t) + \epsilon_0 E^2(\vec{r}, t) \right)$$

$$u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) = \epsilon_0 E^2(\vec{r}, t) = \epsilon_0 E_0^2 \cos^2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t + \delta) \quad \left(\frac{\text{Joules}}{\text{m}^3} \right)$$

$u_{elect}(\vec{r}, t) = u_{mag}(\vec{r}, t)$ - EM waves propagating in the vacuum !!!!

Instantaneous Poynting's Vector Associated with an *EM Wave*

$$\vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \tilde{\vec{E}}(z, t) \right\} \times \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \tilde{\vec{B}}(z, t) \right\} \quad \left(\frac{\text{Watts}}{\text{m}^2} \right)$$

For a linearly polarized monochromatic plane EM wave propagating in the vacuum,

$$\vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) = c \left(\frac{\varepsilon_0 \cancel{\mu_0}}{\cancel{\mu_0}} \right) E_0^2 \cos^2(kz - \omega t + \delta) \hat{z} = c \varepsilon_0 E_0^2 \cos^2(kz - \omega t + \delta) \hat{z}$$

But

$$u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) = \varepsilon_0 E^2(\vec{r}, t) = \varepsilon_0 E_0^2 \cos^2(kz - \omega t + \delta)$$

$$\vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) = cu_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) \hat{z}$$

Instantaneous Poynting's Vector Associated with an *EM Wave*

The propagation velocity of energy $\vec{v}_{prop} = c\hat{z}$

Poynting's Vector = Energy Density * Propagation Velocity

$$\vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) = u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) \vec{v}_{prop}$$

**Instantaneous Linear Momentum Density Associated
with an EM Wave:**

$$\vec{\mathcal{P}}_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) = \epsilon_0 \mu_0 \vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{c^2} \vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) \left(\frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{sec}} \right)$$

Instantaneous Linear Momentum Density Associated with an *EM Wave*

For linearly polarized monochromatic plane EM waves propagating in the vacuum:

$$\vec{\phi}_{EM} = \frac{1}{c^2} \cancel{c} \epsilon_0 E_o^2 \cos^2(kz - \omega t + \delta) \hat{z} = \frac{1}{c} \underbrace{\epsilon_0 E_o^2 \cos^2(kz - \omega t + \delta)}_{=u_{EM}} \hat{z}$$

But: $u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) = \epsilon_0 E^2(\vec{r}, t) = \epsilon_0 E_o^2 \cos^2(kz - \omega t + \delta)$

$$\vec{\phi}_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) = \epsilon_0 \mu_o \vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{c^2} \vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{c} u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) \hat{z} \quad \left(\frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^2 \text{-sec}} \right)$$

Instantaneous Angular Momentum Density Associated with an *EM wave*

$$\vec{\ell}_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{r} \times \vec{\wp}_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) \quad \left(\frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m-sec}} \right)$$

But:
$$\vec{\wp}_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) = \epsilon_0 \mu_0 \vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{c^2} \vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{c} u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) \hat{z} \quad \left(\frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^2\text{-sec}} \right)$$

For an EM wave propagating in the $+\hat{z}$ direction:

$$\vec{\ell}_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{c^2} \vec{r} \times \vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{c} u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) (\vec{r} \times \hat{z}) \quad \left(\frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m-sec}} \right)$$



Depends on the choice of origin 31

Instantaneous Power Associated with an *EM wave*

The instantaneous EM power flowing into/out of volume v with bounding surface S enclosing volume v (containing EM fields in the volume v) is:

$$P_{EM}(t) = \frac{\partial U_{EM}(t)}{\partial t} = \int_v \frac{\partial u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t} d\tau = -\oint_S \vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) \cdot d\vec{a}$$

The instantaneous EM power crossing (imaginary) surface is:

$$P_{EM}(t) = -\int_S \vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) \cdot d\vec{a}_\perp$$

The instantaneous total EM energy contained in volume v

$$U_{EM}(t) = \int_v u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) d\tau \quad (\text{Joules})$$

Instantaneous Angular Momentum Density Associated with an *EM wave*

The instantaneous total EM linear momentum contained in the volume v is:

$$\vec{p}_{EM}(t) = \int_v \vec{\phi}_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) d\tau \quad \left(\frac{\text{kg}\cdot\text{m}}{\text{sec}} \right)$$

The instantaneous total EM angular momentum contained in the volume v is:

$$\vec{\mathcal{L}}_{EM}(t) = \int_v \vec{\ell}_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) d\tau \quad \left(\frac{\text{kg}\cdot\text{m}^2}{\text{sec}} \right)$$

Time-Averaged Quantities Associated with EM Waves

Usually we are not interested in knowing the instantaneous power $P(t)$, energy / energy density, Poynting's vector, linear and angular momentum, *etc.*- because experimental measurements of these quantities are very often averages over many extremely fast cycles of oscillation. For example period of oscillation of light wave

$$\tau_{light} = 1/f_{light} \approx \frac{1}{10^{15} \text{ cps}} = 10^{-15} \text{ sec/cycle} = 1 \text{ femto-sec)}$$

We need time averaged expressions for each of these quantities - in order to compare directly with experimental data- for monochromatic plane EM light waves:

Time-Averaged Quantities Associated with EM Waves

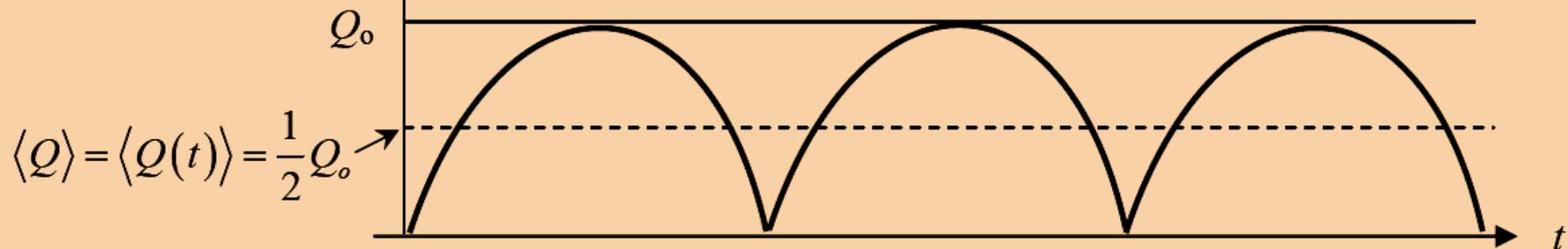
If we have a “generic” instantaneous physical quantity of the form:

$$Q(t) = Q_o \cos^2(\omega t)$$

The time-average of $Q(t)$ is defined as:

$$\langle Q(t) \rangle \equiv \langle Q \rangle = \frac{1}{\tau} \int_{t=0}^{t=\tau} Q(t) dt = \frac{Q_o}{\tau} \int_{t=0}^{t=\tau} \cos^2(\omega t) dt$$

$$Q(t) = Q_o \cos^2(\omega t)$$



Time-Averaged Quantities Associated with EM Waves

The time average of the $\cos^2(\omega t)$ function:

$$\frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^{\tau} \cos^2(\omega t) dt = \frac{1}{\tau} \left[\frac{t}{2} + \frac{\sin 2\omega t}{4\omega} \right]_{t=0}^{t=\tau} = \frac{1}{2\tau} \left[(\tau - 0) + \left(\frac{\sin 2\omega\tau}{2\omega} - 0 \right) \right] = \frac{1}{2\tau} \left[\tau + \frac{\sin 2\omega\tau}{2\omega} \right]$$

$$\omega\tau = 2\pi f\tau$$

$$f = 1/\tau$$

$$\omega\tau = 2\pi(\tau/\tau) = 2\pi$$

$$\sin(\omega\tau) = \sin(2\pi) = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^{\tau} \cos^2(\omega t) dt = \frac{1}{2\cancel{\tau}} [\cancel{\tau}] = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\langle Q(t) \rangle = \langle Q \rangle = \frac{1}{2} Q_o$$

Thus, the time-averaged quantities associated with an EM wave propagating in free space are:

Time-Averaged Quantities Associated with EM Waves

EM Energy Density: $u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) \Rightarrow \langle u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle$

Total EM Energy: $U_{EM}(t) \Rightarrow \langle U_{EM}(t) \rangle$

Poynting's Vector: $\vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) \Rightarrow \langle \vec{S}_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle$

EM Power: $P_{EM}(t) \Rightarrow \langle P_{EM}(t) \rangle$

Time-Averaged Quantities Associated with EM Waves

Linear Momentum Density:

$$\vec{\wp}_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) \Rightarrow \langle \vec{\wp}_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle$$

Linear Momentum:

$$\vec{p}_{EM}(t) \Rightarrow \langle \vec{p}_{EM}(t) \rangle$$

Angular Momentum Density:

$$\vec{\ell}_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) \Rightarrow \langle \vec{\ell}_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle$$

Angular Momentum:

$$\vec{\mathcal{L}}_{EM}(t) \Rightarrow \langle \vec{\mathcal{L}}_{EM}(t) \rangle$$

Time-Averaged Quantities Associated with EM Waves

For a monochromatic EM plane wave propagating in free space / vacuum in \hat{z} direction:

$$\langle u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E_o^2 \quad \left(\frac{\text{Joules}}{\text{m}^3} \right)$$

$$\langle \vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle = \frac{1}{2} c \epsilon_0 E_o^2 \hat{z} = c \langle u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle \hat{z} \quad \left(\frac{\text{Watts}}{\text{m}^2} \right)$$

$$\langle \vec{\rho}_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle = \frac{1}{2c} \epsilon_0 E_o^2 \hat{z} = \frac{1}{c^2} \langle \vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle = \frac{1}{c} \langle u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle \hat{z} \quad \left(\frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^2 \text{-sec}} \right)$$

$$\langle \vec{l}_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle = \left(\vec{r} \times \langle \vec{\rho}_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle \right) = \frac{1}{c^2} \left(\vec{r} \times \langle \vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle \right) = \frac{1}{c} \langle u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle (\hat{r} \times \hat{z}) \quad \left(\frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m-sec}} \right)$$

Time-Averaged Quantities Associated with EM Waves

Intensity of an *EM* wave:

$$I(\vec{r}) \equiv \langle S(\vec{r}, t) \rangle = \langle |\vec{S}(\vec{r}, t)| \rangle = c \langle u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle = \frac{1}{2} c \epsilon_0 E_o^2 \left(\frac{\text{Watts}}{\text{m}^2} \right)$$

The intensity of an EM wave is also known as the irradiance of the EM wave – it is the radiant power incident per unit area upon a surface.

ELECTROMAGNETIC WAVES IN MATTER

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Electromagnetic Wave Propagation in Linear Media

Consider EM wave propagation inside matter - in regions where there are NO free charges and/or free currents (the medium is an insulator/non-conductor).

For this situation, Maxwell's equations become:

$$1) \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D}(\vec{r}, t) = 0$$

$$2) \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t) = 0$$

$$3) \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t}$$

$$4) \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{\partial \vec{D}(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t}$$

Electromagnetic Wave Propagation in Linear Media

The medium is assumed to be linear, homogeneous and isotropic- thus the following relations are valid in this medium:

$$\vec{D}(\vec{r}, t) = \epsilon \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t)$$

and

$$\vec{H}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{\mu} \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t)$$

- ϵ = electric permittivity of the medium $\epsilon = \epsilon_0 (1 + \chi_e)$, χ_e = electric susceptibility of the medium.
- μ = magnetic permeability of the medium $\mu = \mu_0 (1 + \chi_m)$, χ_m = magnetic susceptibility of the medium.
- ϵ_0 = electric permittivity of free space = 8.85×10^{-12} Farads/m.
- μ_0 = magnetic permeability of free space = $4\pi \times 10^{-7}$ Henrys/m.

Electromagnetic Wave Propagation in Linear Media

Maxwell's equations inside the linear, homogeneous and isotropic non-conducting medium become:

$$1) \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = 0$$

$$2) \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t) = 0$$

$$3) \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t}$$

$$4) \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t) = \mu\epsilon \frac{\partial \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t}$$

In a linear /homogeneous/isotropic medium, the speed of propagation of EM waves is:

$$v'_{prop} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon\mu}}$$

Electromagnetic Wave Propagation in Linear Media

The E and B fields in the medium obey the following wave equation:

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = \varepsilon\mu \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t^2} = \frac{1}{v_{prop}^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t^2}$$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t) = \varepsilon\mu \frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t^2} = \frac{1}{v_{prop}^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t^2}$$

Electromagnetic Wave Propagation in Linear Media

For linear / homogeneous / isotropic media:

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon &= K_e \epsilon_o = (1 + \chi_e) \epsilon_o & K_e &= \frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon_o} = (1 + \chi_e) = \text{relative electric permittivity} \\ \mu &= K_m \mu_o = (1 + \chi_m) \mu_o & K_m &= \frac{\mu}{\mu_o} = (1 + \chi_m) = \text{relative magnetic permeability}\end{aligned}$$

$$v'_{prop} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon\mu}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{K_e \epsilon_o K_m \mu_o}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{K_e K_m}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_o \mu_o}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{K_e K_m}} c$$

If $K_e K_m \geq 1$ thus $\frac{1}{\sqrt{K_e K_m}} \leq 1 \Rightarrow v'_{prop} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{K_e K_m}} c \leq c$

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Note also that since $K_e = \frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon_0}$ and $K_m = \frac{\mu}{\mu_0}$ are dimensionless

quantities, then so is $\frac{1}{\sqrt{K_e K_m}}$

Define the index of refraction { *a dimensionless quantity* } of the linear / homogeneous / isotropic medium as:

$$n \equiv \sqrt{K_e K_m} = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon \mu}{\epsilon_0 \mu_0}}$$

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Thus, for linear / homogeneous / isotropic media:

$$v'_{prop} = c/n (\leq c)$$

because

$$n \geq 1$$

Now for many (but not all) linear/homogeneous/isotropic materials:

$$\mu = \mu_o (1 + \chi_m) \approx \mu_o$$

(*True for many paramagnetic and diamagnetic-type materials*)

$$|\chi_m| \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-8}) \sim 0$$

Thus

$$K_m = \frac{\mu}{\mu_o} = (1 + \chi_m) \approx 1$$

\Rightarrow

$$n \approx \sqrt{K_e}$$

and

$$v'_{prop} = \frac{c}{n} \approx \frac{c}{\sqrt{K_e}}$$

Electromagnetic Wave Propagation in Linear Media

The instantaneous EM energy density associated with a linear/homogeneous/isotropic material

$$u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\epsilon E^2(\vec{r}, t) + \frac{1}{\mu} B^2(\vec{r}, t) \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) \cdot \vec{D}(\vec{r}, t) + \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t) \cdot \vec{H}(\vec{r}, t) \right) \left(\frac{\text{Joules}}{\text{m}^3} \right)$$

with

$$\vec{D}(\vec{r}, t) = \epsilon \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t)$$

and

$$\vec{H}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{\mu} \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t)$$

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The instantaneous Poynting's vector associated with a linear/homogeneous/isotropic material

$$\vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{\mu} (\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t)) = (\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) \times \vec{H}(\vec{r}, t)) \left(\frac{\text{Watts}}{\text{m}^2} \right)$$

The intensity of an EM wave propagating in a linear/homogeneous/isotropic medium is:

$$I(\vec{r}) \equiv \langle \|\vec{S}(\vec{r}, t)\| \rangle = v'_{prop} \langle u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle = \frac{1}{2} v'_{prop} \epsilon E_o^2(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{c}{n} \right) \epsilon E_o^2(\vec{r}) = \left(\frac{c}{n} \right) \epsilon E_{o_{rms}}^2(\vec{r}) \left(\frac{\text{Watts}}{\text{m}^2} \right)$$

Where
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$$E_{o_{rms}} \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} E_o$$

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The instantaneous linear momentum density associated with an EM wave propagating in a linear/homogeneous/isotropic medium is:

$$\vec{\rho}_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) = \epsilon \mu \vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{v_{prop}^2} \vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) = \epsilon \cancel{\mu} \frac{1}{\cancel{\mu}} (\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t)) = \epsilon (\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t)) \left(\frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{sec}} \right)$$

The instantaneous angular momentum density associated with an EM wave propagating in a linear/homogeneous/isotropic medium is:

$$\vec{\ell}_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{r} \times \vec{\rho}_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) = \epsilon \vec{r} \times (\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t)) \left(\frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m} \cdot \text{sec}} \right)$$

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Total instantaneous EM energy:
$$U_{EM}(t) = \int_v u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) d\tau \quad (\text{Joules})$$

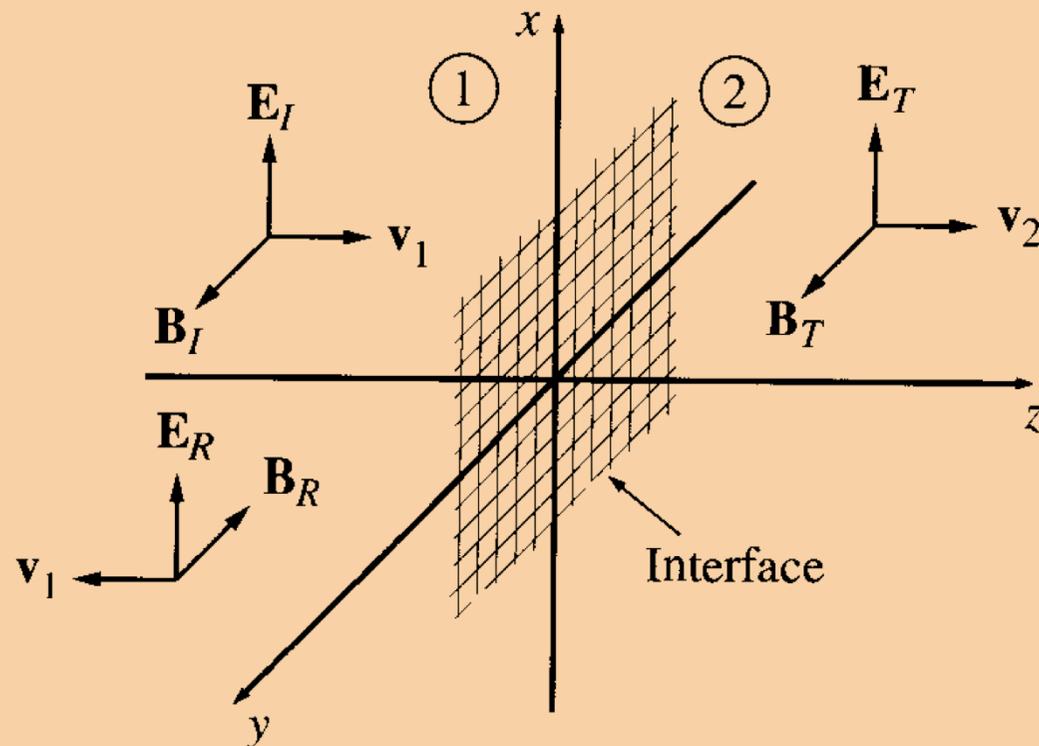
Total instantaneous linear momentum:
$$\vec{p}_{EM}(t) = \int_v \vec{\rho}_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) d\tau \quad \left(\frac{\text{kg}\cdot\text{m}}{\text{sec}} \right)$$

Instantaneous EM Power:
$$P_{EM}(t) = \frac{\partial U_{EM}(t)}{\partial t} = -\oint_S \vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) \cdot d\vec{a} \quad (\text{Watts})$$

Total instantaneous angular momentum:
$$\vec{\mathcal{L}}_{EM}(t) = \int_v \vec{\ell}_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) d\tau \quad \left(\frac{\text{kg}\cdot\text{m}^2}{\text{sec}} \right)$$

Reflection & Transmission of Linear Polarized Plane EM Waves at Normal Incidence

Suppose the x-y plane forms the boundary between two linear media. A plane wave of frequency ω - travelling in the z- direction and polarized in the x- direction- approaches the interface from the left



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Incident EM plane wave (in medium 1):

Propagates in the $+\hat{z}$ -direction (*i.e.* $\hat{k}_{inc} = +\hat{k}_1 = +\hat{z}$), with polarization $\hat{n}_{inc} = +\hat{x}$

$$\vec{E}_{inc}(z, t) = \vec{E}_{o_{inc}} e^{i(k_1 z - \omega t)} \hat{x} \quad \text{with:} \quad k_{inc} = |\vec{k}_{inc}| = k_1 = |\vec{k}_1| = 2\pi/\lambda_1 = \omega/v_1$$

$$\vec{B}_{inc}(z, t) = \frac{1}{v_1} \hat{k}_{inc} \times \vec{E}_{inc}(z, t) = \frac{1}{v_1} \vec{E}_{o_{inc}} e^{i(k_1 z - \omega t)} \hat{y} \quad \text{since:} \quad \hat{k}_{inc} \times \hat{n}_{inc} = +\hat{z} \times \hat{x} = +\hat{y}$$

Reflected EM plane wave (in medium 1):

Propagates in the $-\hat{z}$ -direction (*i.e.* $\hat{k}_{refl} = -\hat{k}_1 = -\hat{z}$), with polarization $\hat{n}_{refl} = +\hat{x}$

$$\vec{E}_{refl}(z, t) = \vec{E}_{o_{refl}} e^{i(-k_1 z - \omega t)} \hat{x} \quad \text{with:} \quad k_{refl} = |\vec{k}_{refl}| = k_1 = |\vec{k}_1| = 2\pi/\lambda_1 = \omega/v_1$$

$$\vec{B}_{refl}(z, t) = \frac{1}{v_1} \hat{k}_{refl} \times \vec{E}_{refl}(z, t) = -\frac{1}{v_1} \vec{E}_{o_{refl}} e^{i(-k_1 z - \omega t)} \hat{y} \quad \text{since:} \quad \hat{k}_{refl} \times \hat{n}_{refl} = -\hat{z} \times \hat{x} = -\hat{y}$$

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Transmitted EM plane wave (in medium 2):

Propagates in the $+\hat{z}$ -direction (i.e. $\hat{k}_{trans} = +\hat{k}_2 = +\hat{z}$), with polarization $\hat{n}_{trans} = +\hat{x}$

$$\vec{E}_{trans}(z, t) = \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} e^{i(k_2 z - \omega t)} \hat{x} \quad \text{with:} \quad k_{trans} = |\vec{k}_{trans}| = k_2 = |\vec{k}_2| = 2\pi/\lambda_2 = \omega/v_2$$

$$\vec{B}_{trans}(z, t) = \frac{1}{v_2} \hat{k}_{trans} \times \vec{E}_{trans}(z, t) = \frac{1}{v_2} \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} e^{i(k_2 z - \omega t)} \hat{y} \quad \text{since:} \quad \hat{k}_{trans} \times \hat{n}_{trans} = +\hat{z} \times \hat{x} = +\hat{y}$$

Note that *{here, in this situation}* the E -field / polarization vectors are all oriented in the same direction, i.e.

$$\hat{n}_{inc} = \hat{n}_{refl} = \hat{n}_{trans} = +\hat{x} \quad \text{or equivalently:}$$

$$\vec{E}_{inc}(\vec{r}, t) \parallel \vec{E}_{refl}(\vec{r}, t) \parallel \vec{E}_{trans}(\vec{r}, t)$$

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At the interface between the two linear / homogeneous / isotropic media -at $z = 0$ {in the x - y plane} the boundary conditions 1) - 4) must be satisfied for the total E and B -fields immediately present on either side of the interface:

BC 1) Normal \vec{D} continuous:

$$\boxed{\epsilon_1 E_{1_{Tot}}^\perp = \epsilon_2 E_{2_{Tot}}^\perp}$$

(*n.b.* \perp refers to the x - y boundary, *i.e.* in the $+\hat{z}$ direction)

BC 2) Tangential \vec{E} continuous:

$$\boxed{E_{1_{Tot}}^\parallel = E_{2_{Tot}}^\parallel}$$

(*n.b.* \parallel refers to the x - y boundary, *i.e.* in the x - y plane)

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BC 3) Normal \vec{B} continuous:

$$B_{1Tot}^{\perp} = B_{2Tot}^{\perp}$$

(\perp to x-y boundary, i.e. in the $+z^{\wedge}$ direction)

BC 4) Tangential \vec{H} continuous:

$$\frac{1}{\mu_1} B_{1Tot}^{\parallel} = \frac{1}{\mu_2} B_{2Tot}^{\parallel}$$

(\parallel to x-y boundary, i.e. in x-y plane)

Reflection & Transmission of Linear Polarized Plane EM Waves at Normal Incidence

For plane EM waves at normal incidence on the boundary at $z = 0$ lying in the x - y plane- no components of E or B (**incident, reflected or transmitted waves**) - allowed to be along the $\pm z$ propagation direction(s) - the E and B -field are transverse fields *{constraints imposed by Maxwell's equations}*.

BC 1) and BC 3) impose no restrictions on such EM waves since:

$$\{ E_{1Tot}^{\perp} = E_{1Tot}^z = 0; E_{2Tot}^{\perp} = E_{2Tot}^z = 0 \} \text{ and } \{ B_{1Tot}^{\perp} = B_{1Tot}^z = 0; B_{2Tot}^{\perp} = B_{2Tot}^z = 0 \}$$

\Rightarrow The only restrictions on plane EM waves propagating with normal incidence on the boundary at $z = 0$ are imposed by BC 2) and BC 4).

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At $z = 0$ in medium 1) (i.e. $z \leq 0$) we must have:

$$\vec{E}_{1_{Tot}}^{\parallel}(z = 0, t) = \vec{E}_{inc}^{\parallel}(z = 0, t) + \vec{E}_{refl}^{\parallel}(z = 0, t) \quad \text{and}$$

$$\frac{1}{\mu_1} \vec{B}_{1_{Tot}}^{\parallel}(z = 0, t) = \frac{1}{\mu_1} \vec{B}_{inc}^{\parallel}(z = 0, t) + \frac{1}{\mu_1} \vec{B}_{refl}^{\parallel}(z = 0, t)$$

While at $z = 0$ in medium 2) (i.e. $z \geq 0$) we must have:

$$\vec{E}_{2_{Tot}}^{\parallel}(z = 0, t) = \vec{E}_{trans}^{\parallel}(z = 0, t) \quad \text{and}$$

$$\frac{1}{\mu_2} \vec{B}_{2_{Tot}}^{\parallel}(z = 0, t) = \frac{1}{\mu_2} \vec{B}_{trans}^{\parallel}(z = 0, t)$$

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BC 2) (Tangential E is continuous @ $z = 0$) requires that:

$$\vec{E}_{1_{Tot}}^{\parallel} \Big|_{z=0} = \vec{E}_{2_{Tot}}^{\parallel} \Big|_{z=0} \quad \text{or:} \quad \vec{E}_{inc}(z=0, t) + \vec{E}_{refl}(z=0, t) = \vec{E}_{trans}(z=0, t).$$

BC 4) (Tangential H is continuous @ $z = 0$) requires that:

$$\frac{1}{\mu_1} \vec{B}_{1_{Tot}}^{\parallel} \Big|_{z=0} = \frac{1}{\mu_2} \vec{B}_{2_{Tot}}^{\parallel} \Big|_{z=0}$$

$$\text{or:} \quad \frac{1}{\mu_1} \vec{B}_{inc}(z=0, t) + \frac{1}{\mu_1} \vec{B}_{refl}(z=0, t) = \frac{1}{\mu_2} \vec{B}_{trans}(z=0, t)$$

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Using explicit expressions for the complex **E** and **B** fields

$$\vec{\tilde{E}}_{inc}(z,t) = \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} e^{i(k_1 z - \omega t)} \hat{x}$$

$$\vec{\tilde{B}}_{inc}(z,t) = \frac{1}{v_1} \hat{k}_{inc} \times \vec{\tilde{E}}_{inc}(z,t) = \frac{1}{v_1} \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} e^{i(k_1 z - \omega t)} \hat{y}$$

$$\vec{\tilde{E}}_{refl}(z,t) = \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} e^{i(-k_1 z - \omega t)} \hat{x}$$

$$\vec{\tilde{B}}_{refl}(z,t) = \frac{1}{v_1} \hat{k}_{refl} \times \vec{\tilde{E}}_{refl}(z,t) = -\frac{1}{v_1} \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} e^{i(-k_1 z - \omega t)} \hat{y}$$

$$\vec{\tilde{E}}_{trans}(z,t) = \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} e^{i(k_2 z - \omega t)} \hat{x}$$

$$\vec{\tilde{B}}_{trans}(z,t) = \frac{1}{v_2} \hat{k}_{trans} \times \vec{\tilde{E}}_{trans}(z,t) = \frac{1}{v_2} \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} e^{i(k_2 z - \omega t)} \hat{y}$$

into the above boundary condition relations- equations become

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BC 2) (Tangential \vec{E} continuous @ $z = 0$):

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} e^{-i\omega t} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} e^{-i\omega t} = \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} e^{-i\omega t}$$

BC 4) (Tangential \vec{H} continuous @ $z = 0$):

$$\frac{1}{\mu_1 \nu_1} \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} e^{-i\omega t} - \frac{1}{\mu_1 \nu_1} \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} e^{-i\omega t} = \frac{1}{\mu_2 \nu_2} \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} e^{-i\omega t}$$

Cancelling the common $e^{-i\omega t}$ factors on the LHS & RHS of above equations - we have at $z = 0$ { everywhere in the x-y plane- must be independent of any time t}:

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BC 2) (Tangential \vec{E} continuous @ $z = 0$):

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}$$

BC 4) (Tangential \vec{H} continuous @ $z = 0$):

$$\frac{1}{\mu_1 \nu_1} \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} - \frac{1}{\mu_1 \nu_1} \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \frac{1}{\mu_2 \nu_2} \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}$$

Assuming that $\{\mu_1 \text{ and } \mu_2\}$ and $\{\nu_1 \text{ and } \nu_2\}$ are known / given for the two media, we have two equations {from BC 2) and BC 4)} and three unknowns $\{\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}, \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}}, \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}\}$

→ Solve above equations simultaneously for

$\{\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} \text{ and } \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}\}$ in terms of / scaled to $\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}$.

First (for convenience) let us define:

$$\beta \equiv \frac{\mu_1 \nu_1}{\mu_2 \nu_2}$$

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BC 4) (Tangential H continuous @ $z = 0$) relation becomes:

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} - \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \beta \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}$$

BC 2) (Tangential E continuous @ $z = 0$):

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}$$

BC 4) (Tangential H continuous @ $z = 0$):

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} - \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \beta \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}$$

with

$$\beta \equiv \frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2}$$

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Add and Subtract BC 2) and BC 4) relations:

$$\boxed{2\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} = (1 + \beta) \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}} \Rightarrow \boxed{\tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} = \left(\frac{2}{1 + \beta}\right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}} \quad (2+4)$$
$$\boxed{2\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = (1 - \beta) \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}} \Rightarrow \boxed{\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{1 - \beta}{2}\right) \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}} \quad (2-4)$$

Insert the result of eqn. (2+4) into eqn. (2-4):

$$\boxed{\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{1 - \beta}{2}\right) \left(\frac{2}{1 + \beta}\right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} = \left(\frac{1 - \beta}{1 + \beta}\right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}}$$

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$$\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{1 - \beta}{1 + \beta} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} = \left(\frac{2}{1 + \beta} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}$$

Now: $\beta \equiv \frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2}$ and: $v_1 = \frac{c}{n_1}$, $v_2 = \frac{c}{n_2}$ where: $n_1 = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_1 \mu_1}{\epsilon_0 \mu_0}}$ and $n_2 = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_2 \mu_2}{\epsilon_0 \mu_0}}$

$$\beta = \frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2} = \frac{\mu_1 (c/n_1)}{\mu_2 (c/n_2)} = \frac{\mu_1 n_2}{\mu_2 n_1} = \frac{\mu_1 \sqrt{\epsilon_2 \mu_2 / \epsilon_0 \mu_0}}{\mu_2 \sqrt{\epsilon_1 \mu_1 / \epsilon_0 \mu_0}} = \frac{\mu_1 \sqrt{\epsilon_2 \mu_2}}{\mu_2 \sqrt{\epsilon_1 \mu_1}} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\epsilon_2}{\mu_2} \right) / \left(\frac{\epsilon_1}{\mu_1} \right)} = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_2 \mu_1}{\epsilon_1 \mu_2}}$$

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Now if the two media are both paramagnetic and/or diamagnetic, such that

$$\boxed{|\chi_{m_{1,2}}| \ll 1}$$

$$i.e. \quad \boxed{\mu_1 = \mu_o (1 + \chi_{m_1}) \approx \mu_o} \quad \text{and:} \quad \boxed{\mu_2 = \mu_o (1 + \chi_{m_2}) \approx \mu_o}$$

Very common for many (but not all) non-conducting linear/homogeneous/isotropic media

$$\text{Then} \quad \boxed{\beta \equiv \frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2} \approx \left(\frac{v_1}{v_2} \right) = \left(\frac{n_2}{n_1} \right)} \quad \text{for} \quad \boxed{\mu_1 \approx \mu_2 \approx \mu_o} \quad \text{or} \quad \boxed{|\chi_{m_{1,2}}| \ll 1}$$

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$$\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{1 - \beta}{1 + \beta} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} \approx \left(\frac{1 - (v_1/v_2)}{1 + (v_1/v_2)} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} = \left(\frac{v_2 - v_1}{v_2 + v_1} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}$$

Then

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} = \left(\frac{2}{1 + \beta} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} \approx \left(\frac{2}{1 + (v_1/v_2)} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} = \left(\frac{2v_2}{v_2 + v_1} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}$$

We can alternatively express these relations in terms of the indices of refraction n_1 & n_2 :

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} = \left(\frac{2n_1}{n_1 + n_2} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}$$

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Now since:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} &= E_{o_{inc}} e^{i\delta} \\ \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} &= E_{o_{refl}} e^{i\delta} \\ \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} &= E_{o_{trans}} e^{i\delta} \end{aligned}$$

δ = phase angle (in radians) defined at the zero of time - $t = 0$

Then for the purely real amplitudes $(E_{o_{inc}}, E_{o_{refl}}, E_{o_{trans}})$

these relations become:

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$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{for } \boxed{\mu_1 \approx \mu_2 \approx \mu_0} \\
 \boxed{E_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{1 - \beta}{1 + \beta} \right) E_{o_{inc}} \approx \left(\frac{v_2 - v_1}{v_2 + v_1} \right) E_{o_{inc}} = \left(\frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2} \right) E_{o_{inc}}} \quad \boxed{\beta \equiv \left(\frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2} \right)} \\
 \boxed{E_{o_{trans}} = \left(\frac{2}{1 + \beta} \right) E_{o_{inc}} \approx \left(\frac{2v_2}{v_1 + v_1} \right) E_{o_{inc}} = \left(\frac{2n_1}{n_1 + n_2} \right) E_{o_{inc}}} \\
 \text{for } \boxed{\mu_1 \approx \mu_2 \approx \mu_0}
 \end{array}$$

Monochromatic plane *EM wave at normal incidence* on a boundary between two linear / homogeneous / isotropic media

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For a monochromatic plane EM wave at normal incidence on a boundary between two linear / homogeneous / isotropic media, $\mu_1 \approx \mu_2 \approx \mu_0$ note the following points:

If $v_2 > v_1$ (i.e. $n_2 < n_1$) {e.g. medium 1) = glass \Rightarrow medium 2) = air}:

$$E_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{v_2 - v_1}{v_2 + v_1} \right) E_{o_{inc}} = \left(\frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2} \right) E_{o_{inc}} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} E_{o_{refl}} \text{ is precisely in-phase with } \\ E_{o_{inc}} \text{ because } (v_2 - v_1) > 0 . \end{array}$$

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If $v_2 < v_1$ (i.e. $n_2 > n_1$) {e.g. medium 1) = air \Rightarrow medium 2) = glass}:

$$E_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{v_2 - v_1}{v_2 + v_1} \right) E_{o_{inc}} = \left(\frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2} \right) E_{o_{inc}} \Rightarrow$$

$E_{o_{refl}}$ is 180° out-of-phase with
 $E_{o_{inc}}$ because $(v_2 - v_1) < 0$.

i.e.

$$E_{o_{refl}} = - \left| \frac{v_2 - v_1}{v_2 + v_1} \right| E_{o_{inc}} = - \left| \frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2} \right| E_{o_{inc}} \Rightarrow$$

The minus sign indicates a 180° phase shift occurs upon reflection for $v_2 < v_1$ (i.e. $n_2 > n_1$) !!!

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$E_{o_{trans}}$ is always in-phase with $E_{o_{inc}}$ for all possible v_1 & v_2 (n_1 & n_2) because:

$$E_{o_{trans}} = \left(\frac{2}{1 + \beta} \right) E_{o_{inc}} \approx \left(\frac{2v_2}{v_1 + v_1} \right) E_{o_{inc}} = \left(\frac{2n_1}{n_1 + n_2} \right) E_{o_{inc}}$$

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What fraction of the incident EM wave energy is reflected?

What fraction of the incident EM wave energy is transmitted?

In a given linear/homogeneous/isotropic medium with

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_0 \mu_0}{\epsilon \mu}} c = c/n$$

The time-averaged energy density in the EM wave is:

$$\langle u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon E_o^2(\vec{r}) = \epsilon E_{o_{rms}}^2(\vec{r}) \left(\frac{\text{Joules}}{\text{m}^3} \right)$$

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The time-averaged Poynting's vector is:

$$\langle \vec{S}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle = \frac{1}{\mu} \langle \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle \left(\frac{\text{Watts}}{\text{m}^2} \right)$$

The intensity of the EM wave is:

$$I(\vec{r}) \equiv \langle |\vec{S}(\vec{r}, t)| \rangle = v \langle u_{EM}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle = v \left(\frac{1}{2} \epsilon E_o^2(\vec{r}) \right) = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon v E_o^2(\vec{r}) = \epsilon v E_{o_{rms}}^2(\vec{r}) \left(\frac{\text{Watts}}{\text{m}^2} \right)$$

Note that the three Poynting's vectors associated with this problem are such that

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$$\vec{S}_{inc} \parallel (+\hat{z}), \quad \vec{S}_{refl} \parallel (-\hat{z}) \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{S}_{trans} \parallel (+\hat{z})$$

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$$E_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{1 - \beta}{1 + \beta} \right) E_{o_{inc}} \approx \left(\frac{v_2 - v_1}{v_2 + v_1} \right) E_{o_{inc}} = \left(\frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2} \right) E_{o_{inc}}$$

$$\beta \equiv \left(\frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2} \right)$$

$$E_{o_{trans}} = \left(\frac{2}{1 + \beta} \right) E_{o_{inc}} \approx \left(\frac{2v_2}{v_1 + v_1} \right) E_{o_{inc}} = \left(\frac{2n_1}{n_1 + n_2} \right) E_{o_{inc}}$$

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Take the ratios $\left(E_{o_{refl}}/E_{o_{inc}}\right)$ and $\left(E_{o_{trans}}/E_{o_{inc}}\right)$ - then square them:

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{refl}}}{E_{o_{inc}}}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta}\right)^2 \approx \left(\frac{v_2 - v_1}{v_2 + v_1}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2}\right)^2$$

and

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{trans}}}{E_{o_{inc}}}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{2}{1+\beta}\right)^2 \approx \left(\frac{2v_2}{v_2 + v_1}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{2n_1}{n_1 + n_2}\right)^2$$

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Define the reflection coefficient as:

$$R(\vec{r}) \equiv \left(\frac{I_{refl}(\vec{r})}{I_{inc}(\vec{r})} \right) = \frac{\langle \vec{S}_{refl}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle}{\langle \vec{S}_{inc}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle} = \frac{v_1 \langle u_{EM}^{refl}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle}{v_1 \langle u_{EM}^{inc}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle} = \frac{\langle u_{EM}^{refl}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle}{\langle u_{EM}^{inc}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_1 v_1 E_{o_{refl}}^2(\vec{r})}{\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_1 v_1 E_{o_{inc}}^2(\vec{r})} = \frac{E_{o_{refl}}^2(\vec{r})}{E_{o_{inc}}^2(\vec{r})}$$

Define the transmission coefficient as:

$$T(\vec{r}) \equiv \left(\frac{I_{trans}(\vec{r})}{I_{inc}(\vec{r})} \right) = \frac{\langle \vec{S}_{trans}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle}{\langle \vec{S}_{inc}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle} = \frac{v_2 \langle u_{EM}^{trans}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle}{v_1 \langle u_{EM}^{inc}(\vec{r}, t) \rangle} = \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_2 v_2 E_{o_{trans}}^2(\vec{r}) \right)}{\left(\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_1 v_1 E_{o_{inc}}^2(\vec{r}) \right)} = \frac{\epsilon_2 v_2 E_{o_{trans}}^2(\vec{r})}{\epsilon_1 v_1 E_{o_{inc}}^2(\vec{r})}$$

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For a linearly-polarized monochromatic plane EM wave at normal incidence on a boundary between two linear / homogeneous / isotropic media, with $\mu_1 \approx \mu_2 \approx \mu_0$

Reflection coefficient:

$$R(\vec{r}) \equiv \left(\frac{I_{\text{refl}}(\vec{r})}{I_{\text{inc}}(\vec{r})} \right) = \left(\frac{E_{o\text{refl}}(\vec{r})}{E_{o\text{inc}}(\vec{r})} \right)^2$$

Transmission coefficient:

$$T(\vec{r}) \equiv \left(\frac{I_{\text{trans}}(\vec{r})}{I_{\text{inc}}(\vec{r})} \right) = \left(\frac{\epsilon_2 v_2}{\epsilon_1 v_1} \right) \left(\frac{E_{o\text{trans}}(\vec{r})}{E_{o\text{inc}}(\vec{r})} \right)^2$$

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But:

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{refl}}(\vec{r})}{E_{o_{inc}}(\vec{r})} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta} \right)^2 \simeq \left(\frac{v_2-v_1}{v_2+v_1} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{n_1-n_2}{n_1+n_2} \right)^2 \quad \&$$

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{trans}}(\vec{r})}{E_{o_{inc}}(\vec{r})} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{2}{1+\beta} \right)^2 \simeq \left(\frac{2v_2}{v_2+v_1} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{2n_1}{n_1+n_2} \right)^2$$

Thus Reflection and Transmission coefficient:

$$R(\vec{r}) \equiv \left(\frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta} \right)^2 \simeq \left(\frac{v_2-v_1}{v_2+v_1} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{n_1-n_2}{n_1+n_2} \right)^2 \quad \beta \equiv \left(\frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2} \right)$$

$$T(\vec{r}) \equiv \left(\frac{\epsilon_2 v_2}{\epsilon_1 v_1} \right) \left(\frac{2}{1+\beta} \right)^2 \simeq \frac{\epsilon_2 v_2}{\epsilon_1 v_1} \left(\frac{2v_2}{v_2+v_1} \right)^2 = \frac{\epsilon_2 v_2}{\epsilon_1 v_1} \left(\frac{2n_1}{n_1+n_2} \right)^2$$

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Now: $\frac{\epsilon_2 v_2}{\epsilon_1 v_1} = \frac{\frac{\epsilon_2 \mu_2 v_2}{\mu_2}}{\frac{\epsilon_1 \mu_1 v_1}{\mu_1}}$ but: $v_2^2 = \frac{1}{\epsilon_2 \mu_2} \Rightarrow \epsilon_2 \mu_2 = \frac{1}{v_2^2}$
 $v_1^2 = \frac{1}{\epsilon_1 \mu_1} \Rightarrow \epsilon_1 \mu_1 = \frac{1}{v_1^2}$

$$\frac{\epsilon_2 v_2}{\epsilon_1 v_1} = \frac{\left(\frac{1}{v_2^2} \cdot v_2\right) / \mu_2}{\left(\frac{1}{v_1^2} \cdot v_1\right) / \mu_1} = \frac{1 / \mu_2 v_2}{1 / \mu_1 v_1} = \frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2} \equiv \beta \quad !!! \quad i.e. \quad \beta \equiv \frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2} = \frac{\epsilon_2 v_2}{\epsilon_1 v_1}$$

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$$T(\vec{r}) = \left(\frac{\epsilon_2 v_2}{\epsilon_1 v_1} \right) \left(\frac{2}{1+\beta} \right)^2 = \beta \left(\frac{2}{1+\beta} \right)^2 = \frac{4\beta}{(1+\beta)^2} \overset{\text{for } \mu_1 \approx \mu_2 \approx \mu_0}{\approx} \frac{4v_2 v_1}{(v_2 + v_1)^2} = \frac{4n_1 n_2}{(n_1 + n_2)^2}$$

Thus:

$$R(\vec{r}) + T(\vec{r}) = \frac{(1-\beta)^2}{(1+\beta)^2} + \frac{4\beta}{(1+\beta)^2} = \frac{(1-\beta)^2 + 4\beta}{(1+\beta)^2} = \frac{1 - 2\beta + \beta^2 + 4\beta}{(1+\beta)^2} = \frac{1 + 2\beta + \beta^2}{(1+\beta)^2} = \frac{(1+\beta)^2}{(1+\beta)^2} = 1$$

$R(\vec{r}) + T(\vec{r}) = 1$ \Rightarrow EM energy is conserved at the interface/
boundary between two L/H/I media

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For a linearly-polarized monochromatic plane EM wave at normal incidence on a boundary between two linear / homogeneous / isotropic media, with $\mu_1 \approx \mu_2 \approx \mu_0$

Reflection coefficient:

$$R(\vec{r}) \equiv \left(\frac{I_{\text{refl}}(\vec{r})}{I_{\text{inc}}(\vec{r})} \right) = \left(\frac{E_{o_{\text{refl}}}(\vec{r})}{E_{o_{\text{inc}}}(\vec{r})} \right)^2 = \frac{(1-\beta)^2}{(1+\beta)^2} \approx \left(\frac{v_2 - v_1}{v_2 + v_1} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2} \right)^2$$

$\mu_1 \approx \mu_2 \approx \mu_0$

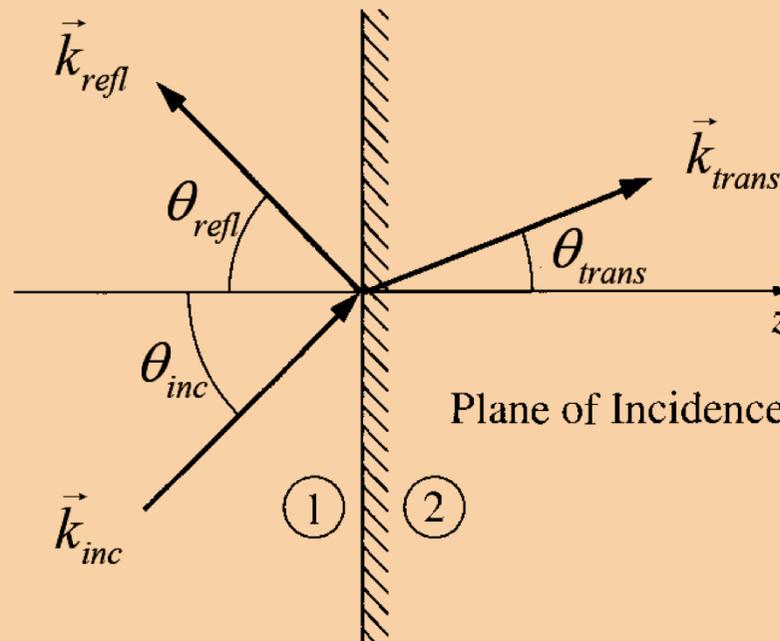
Transmission coefficient:

$$T(\vec{r}) \equiv \left(\frac{I_{\text{trans}}(\vec{r})}{I_{\text{inc}}(\vec{r})} \right) = \beta \left(\frac{E_{o_{\text{trans}}}(\vec{r})}{E_{o_{\text{inc}}}(\vec{r})} \right)^2 = \frac{4\beta}{(1+\beta)^2} \approx \frac{4v_2v_1}{(v_2 + v_1)^2} = \frac{4n_1n_2}{(n_1 + n_2)^2}$$

$$\mu_1 \approx \mu_2 \approx \mu_0$$

Reflection & Transmission of Monochromatic Plane EM Waves at Oblique Incidence

A monochromatic plane EM wave incident at an oblique angle θ_{inc} on a boundary between two linear/homogeneous/isotropic media, defined with respect to the normal to the interface- as shown in the figure below:



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The incident EM wave is:

$$\vec{E}_{inc}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{E}_{o_{inc}} e^{i(\vec{k}_{inc} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{B}_{inc}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{v_1} \hat{k}_{inc} \times \vec{E}_{inc}(\vec{r}, t)$$

The reflected EM wave is:

$$\vec{E}_{refl}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{E}_{o_{refl}} e^{i(\vec{k}_{refl} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{B}_{refl}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{v_1} \hat{k}_{refl} \times \vec{E}_{refl}(\vec{r}, t)$$

The transmitted EM wave is:

$$\vec{E}_{trans}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{E}_{o_{trans}} e^{i(\vec{k}_{trans} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{B}_{trans}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{v_2} \hat{k}_{trans} \times \vec{E}_{trans}(\vec{r}, t)$$

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All three EM waves have the same frequency- $f = \omega/2\pi$

$$\omega = k_{inc} v_1 = k_{refl} v_1 = k_{trans} v_2$$

$$k_{inc} = k_{refl} = k_1 = \left(\frac{v_2}{v_1} \right) k_{trans} = \left(\frac{v_2}{v_1} \right) k_2 = \left(\frac{n_1}{n_2} \right) k_{trans} = \left(\frac{n_1}{n_2} \right) k_2$$

$$v_i = c/n_i \quad i = 1, 2$$

The total EM fields in medium 1

$$\vec{\tilde{E}}_{Tot_1}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{\tilde{E}}_{inc}(\vec{r}, t) + \vec{\tilde{E}}_{refl}(\vec{r}, t) \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{\tilde{B}}_{Tot_1}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{\tilde{B}}_{inc}(\vec{r}, t) + \vec{\tilde{B}}_{refl}(\vec{r}, t)$$

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Must match to the total EM fields in medium 2:

$$\boxed{\vec{E}_{Tot_2}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{E}_{trans}(\vec{r}, t)} \quad \text{and} \quad \boxed{\vec{B}_{Tot_2}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{B}_{trans}(\vec{r}, t)}$$

Using the boundary conditions BC1) \rightarrow BC4) at $z = 0$.

At $z = 0$ - four boundary conditions are of the form:

$$\boxed{(\text{---}) e^{i(\vec{k}_{inc} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} + (\text{---}) e^{i(\vec{k}_{refl} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} = (\text{---}) e^{i(\vec{k}_{trans} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)}}$$

They must hold for all (x, y) on the interface at $z = 0$ - and also must hold for all times, t . The above relation is already satisfied for arbitrary time, t - the factor $e^{-i\omega t}$ is common to all terms.

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The following relation must hold for all (x,y) on interface at $z = 0$:

$$\boxed{(\text{---}) e^{i(\vec{k}_{inc} \cdot \vec{r})} + (\text{---}) e^{i(\vec{k}_{refl} \cdot \vec{r})} = (\text{---}) e^{i(\vec{k}_{trans} \cdot \vec{r})}}$$

When $z = 0$ - at interface we must have:

$$\vec{k}_{inc} \cdot \vec{r} = \vec{k}_{refl} \cdot \vec{r} = \vec{k}_{trans} \cdot \vec{r}$$

$$k_{inc_x} x + k_{inc_y} y = k_{refl_x} x + k_{refl_y} y = k_{trans_x} x + k_{trans_y} y \quad @ z = 0$$

The above relation can only hold for arbitrary (x, y, z = 0) **iff** (**= if and only if**):

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The above relation can only hold for arbitrary ($x, y, z = 0$) **iff** (= if and only if):

$$k_{inc_x} x = k_{refl_x} x = k_{trans_x} x \quad \Rightarrow \quad k_{inc_x} = k_{refl_x} = k_{trans_x}$$
$$k_{inc_y} y = k_{refl_y} y = k_{trans_y} y \quad \Rightarrow \quad k_{inc_y} = k_{refl_y} = k_{trans_y}$$

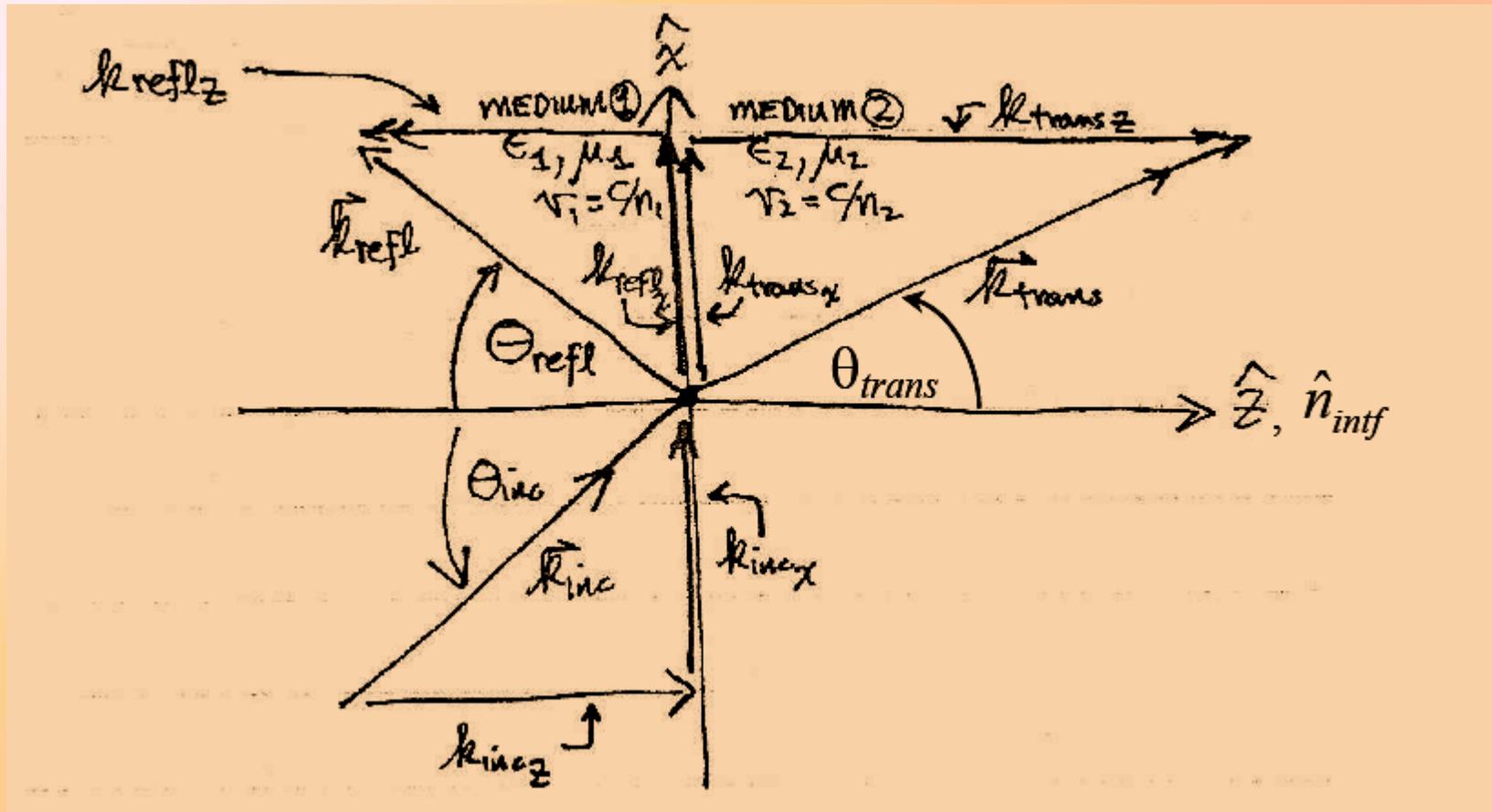
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The problem has rotational symmetry about the z -axis- then without any loss of generality we can choose k to lie entirely within the x-z plane, as shown in the figure

$$k_{inc_y} = k_{refl_y} = k_{trans_y} = 0 \quad \text{and thus:} \quad k_{inc_x} = k_{refl_x} = k_{trans_x}$$

The transverse components of $\vec{k}_{inc}, \vec{k}_{refl}, \vec{k}_{trans}$ are all equal and point in the $+x^{\wedge}$ direction.

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The First Law of Geometrical Optics:

The incident, reflected, and transmitted wave vectors form a plane (called the plane of incidence), which also includes the normal to the surface (here, the z axis).

The Second Law of Geometrical Optics (Law of Reflection):

From the figure, we see that:

$$k_{inc_x} = k_{inc} \sin \theta_{inc} = k_{refl_x} = k_{refl} \sin \theta_{refl} = k_{trans_x} = k_{trans} \sin \theta_{trans}$$

$$k_{inc} = k_{refl} = k_1 \Rightarrow \sin \theta_{inc} = \sin \theta_{refl}$$

Angle of Incidence = Angle of Reflection

$$\theta_{inc} = \theta_{refl}$$

Law of Reflection!

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The Third Law of Geometrical Optics (Law of Refraction - Snell's Law):

For the transmitted angle, θ_{trans} we see that:

$$k_{inc} \sin \theta_{inc} = k_{trans} \sin \theta_{trans}$$

In medium 1): $k_{inc} = k_1 = \omega/v_1 = n_1\omega/c = n_1k_o$

where $k_o = \text{vacuum wave number} = 2\pi/\lambda_o$

and $\lambda_o = \text{vacuum wave length}$

In medium 2): $k_{trans} = k_2 = \omega/v_2 = n_2\omega/c = n_2k_o$

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$$k_{inc} \sin \theta_{inc} = k_{trans} \sin \theta_{trans} \Rightarrow k_1 \sin \theta_{inc} = k_2 \sin \theta_{trans}$$

$$k_{inc} = k_1 = n_1 k_o \quad \text{and} \quad k_{trans} = k_2 = n_2 k_o$$

$$k_1 \sin \theta_{inc} = k_2 \sin \theta_{trans} \Rightarrow n_1 \sin \theta_{inc} = n_2 \sin \theta_{trans}$$

Law of Refraction
(Snell's Law)

Which can also be written as:

$$\frac{\sin \theta_{trans}}{\sin \theta_{inc}} = \frac{n_1}{n_2}$$

Since θ_{trans} refers to medium 2) and θ_{inc} refers to medium 1)

$$n_1 \sin \theta_1 = n_2 \sin \theta_2$$

\uparrow \uparrow
 (incident) (transmitted)

or:

$$\frac{\sin \theta_2}{\sin \theta_1} = \frac{n_1}{n_2}$$

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Because of the three laws of geometrical optics, we see that:

$$\vec{k}_{inc} \cdot \vec{r} \Big|_{z=0} = \vec{k}_{refl} \cdot \vec{r} \Big|_{z=0} = \vec{k}_{trans} \cdot \vec{r} \Big|_{z=0}$$

everywhere on the interface at $z = 0$ *{in the x-y plane}*

Thus we see that:
$$e^{i(\vec{k}_{inc} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \Big|_{z=0} = e^{i(\vec{k}_{refl} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \Big|_{z=0} = e^{i(\vec{k}_{trans} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \Big|_{z=0}$$

everywhere on the interface at $z = 0$ {in the x-y plane}, valid also for arbitrary/any/all time(s) t , since ω is the same in either medium (1 or 2).

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The BC 1) \rightarrow BC 4) for a monochromatic plane *EM* wave incident on an interface at an oblique angle between two linear/homogeneous/isotropic media become:

BC 1): Normal (*z*-) component of *D* continuous at $z = 0$ (no free surface charges):

$$\boxed{\varepsilon_1 \left(\tilde{E}_{o_{inc_z}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl_z}} \right) = \varepsilon_2 \tilde{E}_{o_{trans_z}}} \quad \left\{ \text{using } \vec{D} = \varepsilon \vec{E} \right\}$$

BC 2): Tangential (*x*-, *y*-) components of *E* continuous at $z = 0$:

$$\boxed{\left(\tilde{E}_{o_{inc_{x,y}}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl_{x,y}}} \right) = \tilde{E}_{o_{trans_{x,y}}}}$$

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BC 3): Normal (z-) component of \mathbf{B} continuous at $z = 0$:

$$\left(\tilde{B}_{o_{inc_z}} + \tilde{B}_{o_{refl_z}} \right) = \tilde{B}_{o_{trans_z}}$$

BC 4): Tangential (x-, y-) components of \mathbf{H} continuous at $z = 0$ (no free surface currents):

$$\frac{1}{\mu_1} \left(\tilde{B}_{o_{inc_{x,y}}} + \tilde{B}_{o_{refl_{x,y}}} \right) = \frac{1}{\mu_2} \tilde{B}_{o_{trans_{x,y}}}$$

Note that in each of the above, we also have the relation

$$\vec{\tilde{B}}_o = \frac{1}{v} \hat{k} \times \vec{\tilde{E}}_o$$

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For a monochromatic plane EM wave incident on a boundary between two L / H/ I media at an oblique angle of incidence, there are three possible polarization cases to consider:

Case I): $\vec{E}_{inc} \perp$ plane of incidence Transverse Electric (TE) Polarization
 $\{ \vec{B}_{inc} \parallel$ plane of incidence $\}$

Case II): $\vec{E}_{inc} \parallel$ plane of incidence Transverse Magnetic (TM) Polarization
 $\{ \vec{B}_{inc} \perp$ plane of incidence $\}$

Case III): The most general case: \vec{E}_{inc} is neither \perp nor \parallel to the plane of incidence.
 $\{ \Rightarrow \vec{B}_{inc}$ is neither \parallel nor \perp to the plane of incidence $\}$

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Case I): Electric Field Vectors Perpendicular to the Plane of Incidence: Transverse Electric (*TE*) Polarization

- A monochromatic plane EM wave is incident on a boundary at $z = 0$ - in the x - y plane between two L/H/I media - at an oblique angle of incidence.
- The polarization of the incident EM wave is transverse (\perp) to the plane of incidence {containing the three wave-vectors and the unit normal to the boundary $\hat{n} = +\hat{z}$ }.
- The three B-field vectors are related to their respective E - field vectors by the right hand rule - all three B-field vectors lie in the x - z plane {the plane of incidence},

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The four boundary conditions on the {complex} E and B fields on the boundary at $z = 0$ are:

BC 1) Normal (z -) component of D continuous at $z = 0$ (no free surface charges)

$$\varepsilon_1 \left(\tilde{E}_{o_{inc_z}}^{=0} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl_z}}^{=0} \right) = \varepsilon_2 \tilde{E}_{o_{trans_z}}^{=0} \Rightarrow \boxed{0 + 0 = 0}$$

BC 2) Tangential (x -, y -) components of E continuous at $z = 0$:

$$\left(\tilde{E}_{o_{inc_y}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl_y}} \right) = \tilde{E}_{o_{trans_y}} \Rightarrow \boxed{\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}}$$

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BC 3) Normal (z-) component of B continuous at $z = 0$:

$$\left(\tilde{B}_{o_{inc_z}} + \tilde{B}_{o_{refl_z}} \right) = \tilde{B}_{o_{trans_z}}$$

$$\hat{k}_{inc} = \hat{k}_{inc_x} + \hat{k}_{inc_z} = \sin \theta_{inc} \hat{x} + \cos \theta_{inc} \hat{z}$$

$$\hat{k}_{refl} = \hat{k}_{refl_x} + \hat{k}_{refl_z} = \sin \theta_{refl} \hat{x} - \cos \theta_{refl} \hat{z}$$

$$\hat{k}_{trans} = \hat{k}_{trans_x} + \hat{k}_{trans_z} = \sin \theta_{trans} \hat{x} + \cos \theta_{trans} \hat{z}$$

$$\left(\tilde{B}_{o_{inc_z}} \hat{z} + \tilde{B}_{o_{refl_z}} \hat{z} \right) = \tilde{B}_{o_{trans_z}} \hat{z} = \frac{1}{v_1} \left(\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} \sin \theta_{inc} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} \sin \theta_{refl} \right) \hat{z} = \frac{1}{v_2} \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} \sin \theta_{trans} \hat{z}$$

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BC 4) Tangential (x -, y -) components of H continuous at $z = 0$ (no free surface currents):

$$\frac{1}{\mu_1} \left(\tilde{B}_{o_{inc_x}} \hat{x} + \tilde{B}_{o_{refl_x}} \hat{x} \right) = \frac{1}{\mu_2} \tilde{B}_{o_{trans_x}} \hat{x}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\mu_1 v_1} \left(\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} (-\cos \theta_{inc}) + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} \cos \theta_{refl} \right) \hat{x} = \frac{1}{\mu_2 v_2} \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} (-\cos \theta_{trans}) \hat{x}$$

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} \quad (\text{from BC 2))}$$

Using the Law of Reflection on the BC 3) result:

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{v_1}{v_2} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta_{trans}}{\sin \theta_{inc}} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}$$

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Using Snell's Law / Law of Refraction:

$$\boxed{n_1 \sin \theta_{inc} = n_2 \sin \theta_{trans}} \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{n_1}{c} \sin \theta_{inc} = \frac{n_2}{c} \sin \theta_{trans}} \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{1}{v_1} \sin \theta_{inc} = \frac{1}{v_2} \sin \theta_{trans}}$$

or: $\boxed{v_2 \sin \theta_{inc} = v_1 \sin \theta_{trans}}$ or: $\boxed{\left(\frac{v_1}{v_2} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta_{trans}}{\sin \theta_{inc}} \right) = 1}$

From BC 1) → BC 4) actually have only two independent relations for the case of transverse electric (TE) polarization:

$$1) \quad \boxed{\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}} \quad 2) \quad \boxed{\left(\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} - \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} \right) = \left(\frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2} \cdot \frac{\cos \theta_{trans}}{\cos \theta_{inc}} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}}$$

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Now we define:

$$\beta \equiv \left(\frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2} \right)$$

$$\alpha \equiv \left(\frac{\cos \theta_{trans}}{\cos \theta_{inc}} \right)$$

Then eqn. 2) becomes:

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} - \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \alpha\beta \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}$$

Adding and subtracting Eqn's 1 & 2 to get:

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} = \left(\frac{2}{1 + \alpha\beta} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} \quad \text{eqn. (1+2)}$$

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{1 - \alpha\beta}{2} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} \quad \text{eqn. (2-1)}$$

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Plug eqn. (2+1) into eqn. (2-1) to obtain:

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{1 - \alpha\beta}{2} \right) \left(\frac{2}{1 + \alpha\beta} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} = \left(\frac{1 - \alpha\beta}{1 + \alpha\beta} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}$$

$$\frac{\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}}}{\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}} = \left(\frac{1 - \alpha\beta}{1 + \alpha\beta} \right) \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}}{\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}} = \left(\frac{2}{1 + \alpha\beta} \right)$$

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= $\vec{E} \perp$ Plane of Incidence = Transverse Electric (*TE*) Polarization

$$E_{o_{refl}}^{TE} = \left(\frac{1 - \alpha\beta}{1 + \alpha\beta} \right) E_{o_{inc}}^{TE} \quad \text{and} \quad E_{o_{trans}}^{TE} = \left(\frac{2}{1 + \alpha\beta} \right) E_{o_{inc}}^{TE}$$

with

$$\alpha \equiv \left(\frac{\cos \theta_{trans}}{\cos \theta_{inc}} \right) \quad \text{and} \quad \beta \equiv \left(\frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2} \right)$$

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For TE polarization:

Incident Intensity

$$I_{inc}^{TE} = \left| \left\langle \vec{S}_{inc}^{TE}(t) \right\rangle \cdot \hat{z} \right| = \left(\frac{1}{2} v_1 \epsilon_1 \left(E_{o_{inc}}^{TE} \right)^2 \right) \left| \hat{k}_{inc} \cdot \hat{z} \right| = \left(\frac{1}{2} v_1 \epsilon_1 \left(E_{o_{inc}}^{TE} \right)^2 \right) \cos \theta_{inc} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_1 v_1 \left(E_{o_{inc}}^{TE} \right)^2 \cos \theta_{inc}$$

Reflection Intensity

$$I_{refl}^{TE} = \left| \left\langle \vec{S}_{refl}^{TE}(t) \right\rangle \cdot \hat{z} \right| = \left(\frac{1}{2} v_1 \epsilon_1 \left(E_{o_{refl}}^{TE} \right)^2 \right) \cos \theta_{refl} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_1 v_1 \left(E_{o_{refl}}^{TE} \right)^2 \cos \theta_{inc}$$

Transmission Intensity

$$I_{trans}^{TE} = \left| \left\langle \vec{S}_{trans}^{TE}(t) \right\rangle \cdot \hat{z} \right| = \left(\frac{1}{2} v_2 \epsilon_2 \left(E_{o_{trans}}^{TE} \right)^2 \right) \cos \theta_{trans} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_2 v_2 \left(E_{o_{trans}}^{TE} \right)^2 \cos \theta_{trans}$$

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Reflection and Transmission coefficients for transverse electric (*TE*) polarization

$$R_{TE} \equiv \frac{I_{refl}^{TE}}{I_{inc}^{TE}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_1 \nu_1 \left(E_{o_{refl}}^{TE} \right)^2 \cos \theta_{inc}^{\overbrace{= \theta_{refl}}} }{\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_1 \nu_1 \left(E_{o_{inc}}^{TE} \right)^2 \cos \theta_{inc}} = \left(\frac{E_{o_{refl}}^{TE}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TE}} \right)^2$$

$$T_{TE} \equiv \frac{I_{trans}^{TE}}{I_{inc}^{TE}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_2 \nu_2 \left(E_{o_{trans}}^{TE} \right)^2 \cos \theta_{trans}}{\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_1 \nu_1 \left(E_{o_{inc}}^{TE} \right)^2 \cos \theta_{inc}} = \left(\frac{\epsilon_2 \nu_2}{\epsilon_1 \nu_1} \right) \left(\frac{\cos \theta_{trans}}{\cos \theta_{inc}} \right) \left(\frac{E_{o_{trans}}^{TE}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TE}} \right)^2$$

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The reflection and transmission coefficients for transverse electric (*TE*) polarization

$$R_{TE} = \left(\frac{E_{o_{refl}}^{TE}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TE}} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{1 - \alpha\beta}{1 + \alpha\beta} \right)^2$$

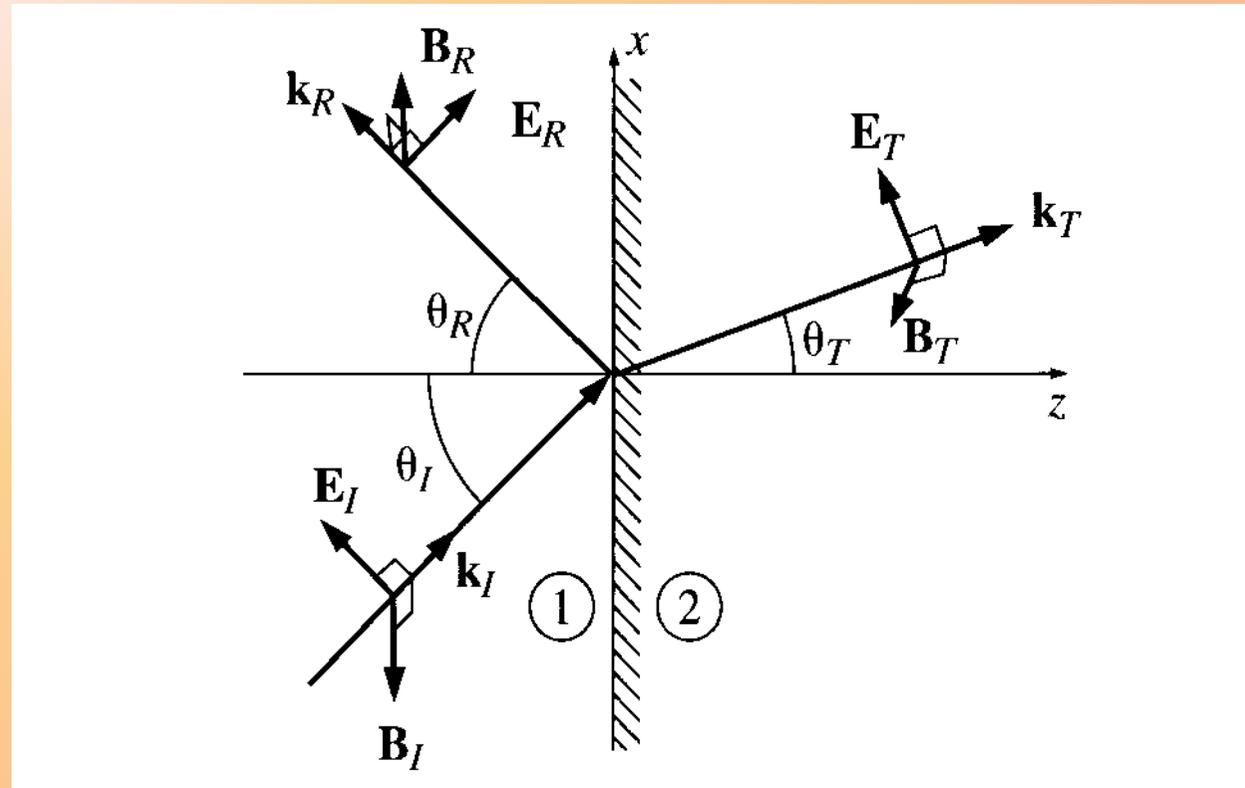
$$T_{TE} = \alpha\beta \left(\frac{E_{o_{trans}}^{TE}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TE}} \right)^2 = \frac{4\alpha\beta}{(1 + \alpha\beta)^2}$$

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Case II): Electric Field Vectors Parallel to the Plane of Incidence: *Transverse Magnetic (TM) Polarization*

- A monochromatic plane EM wave is incident on a boundary at $z = 0$ in the x - y plane between two L / H/ I media at an oblique angle of incidence.
- The polarization of the incident EM wave is now parallel to the plane of incidence {containing the three wavevectors and the unit normal to the boundary $\hat{n} = +\hat{z}$ }).
- The three B -field vectors are related to E -field vectors by the right hand rule –then all three B-field vectors are \perp to the plane of incidence {hence the origin of the name transverse magnetic polarization}.

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The four boundary conditions on the {complex}E and B-fields on the boundary at $z = 0$ are:

BC 1) Normal (z-) component of D continuous at $z = 0$ (no free surface charges)

$$\varepsilon_1 \left(\tilde{E}_{o_{inc_z}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl_z}} \right) = \varepsilon_2 \tilde{E}_{o_{trans_z}}$$

$$\varepsilon_1 \left(-\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} \sin \theta_{inc} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} \sin \theta_{refl} \right) = \varepsilon_2 \left(-\tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} \sin \theta_{trans} \right)$$

BC 2) Tangential (x-, y-) components of E continuous at $z = 0$:

$$\left(\tilde{E}_{o_{inc_x}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl_x}} \right) = \tilde{E}_{o_{trans_x}}$$

$$\left(\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} \cos \theta_{inc} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} \cos \theta_{refl} \right) = \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} \cos \theta_{trans}$$

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BC 3) Normal (*z*-) component of *B* continuous at $z = 0$:

$$\left(\tilde{B}_{o_{inc_z}}^{=0} + \tilde{B}_{o_{refl_z}}^{=0} \right) = \tilde{B}_{o_{trans_z}}^{=0} \Rightarrow \boxed{0 + 0 = 0}$$

BC 4) Tangential (*x*-, *y*-) components of *H* continuous at $z = 0$ (no free surface currents):

$$\frac{1}{\mu_1} \left(\tilde{B}_{o_{inc_y}} + \tilde{B}_{o_{refl_y}} \right) = \frac{1}{\mu_2} \left(\tilde{B}_{o_{trans_y}} \right) \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\mu_1 v_1} \left(\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} - \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} \right) = \frac{1}{\mu_2 v_2} \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}$$

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From BC 1) at $z = 0$:

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} - \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{\epsilon_2 n_1}{\epsilon_1 n_2} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} = \left(\frac{\epsilon_2 v_2}{\epsilon_1 v_1} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} = \beta \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}$$

From BC 4) at $z = 0$:

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} - \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} = \beta \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}$$

where:

$$\beta \equiv \left(\frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2} \right) = \left(\frac{\epsilon_2 v_2}{\epsilon_1 v_1} \right)$$

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From BC 2) at $z = 0$:

$$\left(\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} \right) = \left(\frac{\cos \theta_{trans}}{\cos \theta_{inc}} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} = \alpha \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} \quad \text{where:} \quad \alpha \equiv \frac{\cos \theta_{trans}}{\cos \theta_{inc}}$$

Thus for the case of transverse magnetic (TM) polarization:

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} - \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \beta \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}} + \tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \alpha \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}$$

Solving these two above equations simultaneously, we obtain:

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$$\tilde{E}_{o_{trans}} = \left(\frac{2}{\alpha + \beta} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}$$

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{\alpha - \beta}{2} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{trans}}$$

$$\tilde{E}_{o_{refl}} = \left(\frac{\alpha - \beta}{\alpha + \beta} \right) \tilde{E}_{o_{inc}}$$

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$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{refl}}^{TM}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TM}} \right) = \left(\frac{\alpha - \beta}{\alpha + \beta} \right)$$

and

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{trans}}^{TM}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TM}} \right) = \left(\frac{2}{\alpha + \beta} \right)$$

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Reflected & transmitted intensities at oblique incidence for the *TM case*

$$I_{inc}^{TM} = v_1 \left| \left\langle \vec{S}_{inc}^{TM}(t) \right\rangle \cdot \hat{Z} \right| = \left(\frac{1}{2} v_1 \epsilon_1 \left(E_{o_{inc}}^{TM} \right)^2 \right) \cos \theta_{inc} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_1 v_1 \left(E_{o_{inc}}^{TM} \right)^2 \cos \theta_{inc}$$

$$I_{refl}^{TM} = v_1 \left| \left\langle \vec{S}_{refl}^{TM}(t) \right\rangle \cdot \hat{Z} \right| = \left(\frac{1}{2} v_1 \epsilon_1 \left(E_{o_{refl}}^{TM} \right)^2 \right) \cos \theta_{refl} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_1 v_1 \left(E_{o_{refl}}^{TM} \right)^2 \cos \theta_{inc}$$

$$I_{trans}^{TM} = v_2 \left| \left\langle \vec{S}_{trans}^{TM}(t) \right\rangle \cdot \hat{Z} \right| = \left(\frac{1}{2} v_2 \epsilon_2 \left(E_{o_{trans}}^{TM} \right)^2 \right) \cos \theta_{trans} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_2 v_2 \left(E_{o_{trans}}^{TM} \right)^2 \cos \theta_{trans}$$

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Reflection and Transmission coefficients

$$R_{TM} = \left(\frac{E_{o_{refl}}^{TM}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TM}} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{\alpha - \beta}{\alpha + \beta} \right)^2$$

$$T_{TM} = \alpha\beta \left(\frac{E_{o_{trans}}^{TM}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TM}} \right)^2 = \frac{4\alpha\beta}{(\alpha + \beta)^2}$$

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The Fresnel Equations

TE Polarization

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{\text{refl}}}^{TE}}{E_{o_{\text{inc}}}^{TE}} \right) = \left(\frac{1 - \alpha\beta}{1 + \alpha\beta} \right)$$

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{\text{trans}}}^{TE}}{E_{o_{\text{inc}}}^{TE}} \right) = \frac{2}{(1 + \alpha\beta)}$$

$$\alpha \equiv \frac{\cos \theta_{\text{trans}}}{\cos \theta_{\text{inc}}}$$

$$\beta \equiv \frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2} = \frac{\epsilon_2 v_2}{\epsilon_1 v_1} = \frac{\mu_1 n_2}{\mu_2 n_1} = \frac{\epsilon_2 n_1}{\epsilon_1 n_2}$$

TM Polarization

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{\text{refl}}}^{TM}}{E_{o_{\text{inc}}}^{TM}} \right) = \left(\frac{\alpha - \beta}{\alpha + \beta} \right)$$

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{\text{trans}}}^{TM}}{E_{o_{\text{inc}}}^{TM}} \right) = \frac{2}{(\alpha + \beta)}$$

$$v_1 = \frac{c}{n_1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_1 \mu_1}}$$

$$v_2 = \frac{c}{n_2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_2 \mu_2}}$$

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Reflection and Transmission Coefficients *R* & *T*

$$\underline{R + T = 1}$$

TE Polarization

$$R_{TE} \equiv \frac{I_{refl}^{TE}}{I_{inc}^{TE}} = \left(\frac{E_{o_{refl}}^{TE}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TE}} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{1 - \alpha\beta}{1 + \alpha\beta} \right)^2$$

$$T_{TE} \equiv \left(\frac{I_{trans}^{TE}}{I_{inc}^{TE}} \right) = \alpha\beta \left(\frac{E_{o_{trans}}^{TE}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TE}} \right)^2 = \frac{4\alpha\beta}{(1 + \alpha\beta)^2}$$

$$\alpha \equiv \frac{\cos \theta_{trans}}{\cos \theta_{inc}}$$

$$\beta \equiv \frac{\mu_1 v_1}{\mu_2 v_2} = \frac{\epsilon_2 v_2}{\epsilon_1 v_1} = \frac{\mu_1 n_2}{\mu_2 n_1} = \frac{\epsilon_2 n_1}{\epsilon_1 n_2}$$

TM Polarization

$$R_{TM} \equiv \frac{I_{refl}^{TM}}{I_{inc}^{TM}} = \left(\frac{E_{o_{refl}}^{TM}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TM}} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{\alpha - \beta}{\alpha + \beta} \right)^2$$

$$T_{TM} \equiv \left(\frac{I_{trans}^{TM}}{I_{inc}^{TM}} \right) = \alpha\beta \left(\frac{E_{o_{trans}}^{TM}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TM}} \right)^2 = \frac{4\alpha\beta}{(\alpha + \beta)^2}$$

$$v_1 = \frac{c}{n_1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_1 \mu_1}}$$

$$v_2 = \frac{c}{n_2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_2 \mu_2}}$$

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Alternate versions of the Fresnel Relations

Fresnel Equations

TE Polarization

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{refl}}^{TE}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TE}} \right) = \frac{\left(\frac{n_1}{\mu_1} \right) \cos \theta_{inc} - \left(\frac{n_2}{\mu_2} \right) \cos \theta_{trans}}{\left(\frac{n_1}{\mu_1} \right) \cos \theta_{inc} + \left(\frac{n_2}{\mu_2} \right) \cos \theta_{trans}}$$

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{trans}}^{TE}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TE}} \right) = \frac{2 \left(\frac{n_1}{\mu_1} \right) \cos \theta_{inc}}{\left(\frac{n_1}{\mu_1} \right) \cos \theta_{inc} + \left(\frac{n_2}{\mu_2} \right) \cos \theta_{trans}}$$

TM Polarization

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{refl}}^{TM}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TM}} \right) = \frac{\left(\frac{n_2}{\mu_2} \right) \cos \theta_{inc} - \left(\frac{n_1}{\mu_1} \right) \cos \theta_{trans}}{\left(\frac{n_2}{\mu_2} \right) \cos \theta_{inc} + \left(\frac{n_1}{\mu_1} \right) \cos \theta_{trans}}$$

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{trans}}^{TM}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TM}} \right) = \frac{2 \left(\frac{n_1}{\mu_1} \right) \cos \theta_{inc}}{\left(\frac{n_2}{\mu_2} \right) \cos \theta_{inc} + \left(\frac{n_1}{\mu_1} \right) \cos \theta_{trans}}$$

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Ignoring the magnetic properties of the two media

$|\chi_m| \ll 1$ then $\mu_1 \approx \mu_2 \approx \mu_0$ the Fresnel Relations become:

TE Polarization

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{\text{refl}}}^{\text{TE}}}{E_{o_{\text{inc}}}^{\text{TE}}} \right) \approx \frac{n_1 \cos \theta_{\text{inc}} - n_2 \cos \theta_{\text{trans}}}{n_1 \cos \theta_{\text{inc}} + n_2 \cos \theta_{\text{trans}}}$$

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{\text{trans}}}^{\text{TE}}}{E_{o_{\text{inc}}}^{\text{TE}}} \right) \approx \frac{2n_1 \cos \theta_{\text{inc}}}{n_1 \cos \theta_{\text{inc}} + n_2 \cos \theta_{\text{trans}}}$$

TM Polarization

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{\text{refl}}}^{\text{TM}}}{E_{o_{\text{inc}}}^{\text{TM}}} \right) \approx \frac{-n_2 \cos \theta_{\text{inc}} + n_1 \cos \theta_{\text{trans}}}{n_2 \cos \theta_{\text{inc}} + n_1 \cos \theta_{\text{trans}}}$$

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{\text{trans}}}^{\text{TM}}}{E_{o_{\text{inc}}}^{\text{TM}}} \right) \approx \frac{2n_1 \cos \theta_{\text{inc}}}{n_2 \cos \theta_{\text{inc}} + n_1 \cos \theta_{\text{trans}}}$$

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Using Snell's Law and various trigonometric identities

TE Polarization

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{refl}}^{TE}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TE}} \right) \approx - \frac{\sin(\theta_{inc} - \theta_{trans})}{\sin(\theta_{inc} + \theta_{trans})}$$

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{trans}}^{TE}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TE}} \right) \approx \frac{2 \cos \theta_{inc} \cdot \sin \theta_{trans}}{\sin(\theta_{inc} + \theta_{trans})}$$

TM Polarization

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{refl}}^{TM}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TM}} \right) \approx - \frac{\tan(\theta_{inc} - \theta_{trans})}{\tan(\theta_{inc} + \theta_{trans})}$$

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{trans}}^{TM}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TM}} \right) \approx \frac{2 \cos \theta_{inc} \cdot \sin \theta_{trans}}{\sin(\theta_{inc} + \theta_{trans}) \cos(\theta_{inc} - \theta_{trans})}$$

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Use Snell's Law $n_{inc} \sin \theta_{inc} = n_{trans} \sin \theta_{trans}$ to eliminate θ_{trans} :

TE Polarization

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{refl}}^{TE}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TE}} \right) \approx \frac{\cos \theta_{inc} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{n_2}{n_1} \right)^2 - \sin^2 \theta_{inc}}}{\cos \theta_{inc} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{n_2}{n_1} \right)^2 - \sin^2 \theta_{inc}}}$$

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{trans}}^{TE}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TE}} \right) \approx \frac{2 \cos \theta_{inc}}{\cos \theta_{inc} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{n_2}{n_1} \right)^2 - \sin^2 \theta_{inc}}}$$

TM Polarization

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{refl}}^{TM}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TM}} \right) \approx \frac{-\left(\frac{n_2}{n_1} \right)^2 \cos \theta_{inc} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{n_2}{n_1} \right)^2 - \sin^2 \theta_{inc}}}{\left(\frac{n_2}{n_1} \right)^2 \cos \theta_{inc} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{n_2}{n_1} \right)^2 - \sin^2 \theta_{inc}}}$$

$$\left(\frac{E_{o_{trans}}^{TM}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TM}} \right) \approx \frac{2 \left(\frac{n_2}{n_1} \right) \cos \theta_{inc}}{\left(\frac{n_2}{n_1} \right)^2 \cos \theta_{inc} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{n_2}{n_1} \right)^2 - \sin^2 \theta_{inc}}}$$

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- ▣ Now explore the physics associated with the Fresnel Equations -the reflection and transmission coefficients.
- ▣ Comparing results for TE vs. TM polarization for the cases of external reflection ($n_1 < n_2$) and internal reflection ($n_1 > n_2$)

Comment 1):

- ▣ When $(E_{refl}/E_{inc}) < 0$ - E_{orefl} is 180° out-of-phase with E_{oinc} since the numerators of the original Fresnel Equations for TE & TM polarization are $(1 - \alpha \beta)$ and $(\alpha - \beta)$ respectively.

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Comment 2):

- For TM Polarization (only)- there exists an angle of incidence where $(E_{\text{refl}} / E_{\text{inc}}) = 0$ - no reflected wave occurs at this angle for TM polarization!
- This angle is known as Brewster's angle θ_B (also known as the polarizing angle θ_P - because an incident wave which is a linear combination of TE and TM polarizations will have a reflected wave which is 100% pure-TE polarized for an incidence angle $\theta_{\text{inc}} = \theta_B = \theta_P$!!).
- Brewster's angle θ_B exists for both external ($n_1 < n_2$) & internal reflection ($n_1 > n_2$) for TM polarization (only).

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Brewster's Angle θ_B / the Polarizing Angle θ_P for Transverse Magnetic (TM) Polarization

From the numerator of $\left(\frac{E_{o_{refl}}^{TM}}{E_{o_{inc}}^{TM}} \right) = \left(\frac{\alpha - \beta}{\alpha + \beta} \right)$ -the originally-derived expression for TM polarization- when this ratio = 0 at Brewster's angle $\theta_B =$ polarizing angle θ_P - this occurs when $(\alpha - \beta) = 0$, i.e. when $\alpha = \beta$.

$$\cos \theta_{trans} = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta_{trans}} \quad \text{and Snell's Law:} \quad \sin \theta_{trans} = \left(\frac{n_1}{n_2} \right) \sin \theta_{inc}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{n_1}{n_2} \right)^2 \sin^2 \theta_{inc}}}{\cos \theta_{inc}} = \left(\frac{n_2}{n_1} \right) = \beta$$

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Brewster's Angle θ_B / the Polarizing Angle θ_P for Transverse Magnetic (TM) Polarization

$$1 - \frac{1}{\beta^2} \sin^2 \theta_{inc} = \beta^2 \cos^2 \theta_{inc} = \beta^2 (1 - \sin^2 \theta_{inc}) \quad \leftarrow \text{Solve for } \sin^2 \theta_{inc}$$

$$1 - \beta^2 = \left(\frac{1}{\beta^2} - \beta^2 \right) \sin^2 \theta_{inc} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \sin^2 \theta_{inc} = \frac{1 - \beta^2}{\frac{1}{\beta^2} - \beta^2} = \frac{(1 - \beta^2) \beta^2}{(1 - \beta^4)}$$

$$1 - \beta^4 = (1 - \beta^2)(1 + \beta^2)$$

$$\sin^2 \theta_{inc} = \frac{(1 - \beta^2) \beta^2}{(1 - \beta^2)(1 + \beta^2)} = \frac{\beta^2}{1 + \beta^2} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \sin \theta_{inc} = \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{1 + \beta^2}}$$

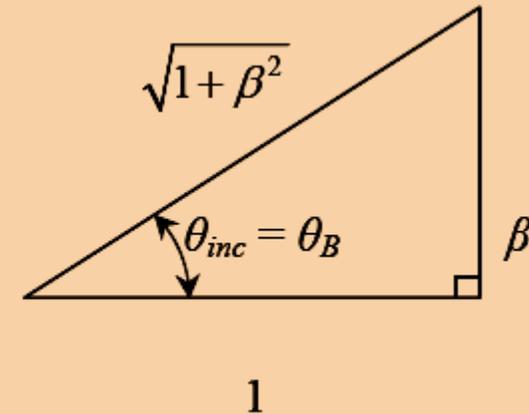
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Geometrically:

$$\sin \theta_{inc} = \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{1 + \beta^2}} = \frac{\text{opp. side}}{\text{hypotenuse}}$$

$$\cos \theta_{inc} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \beta^2}} = \frac{\text{adjacent}}{\text{hypotenuse}}$$

$$\tan \theta_{inc} = \beta = \frac{\text{opp. side}}{\text{adjacent}} \approx \left(\frac{n_2}{n_1} \right)$$



Thus, at an angle of incidence $\theta_{inc} = \theta_B^{inc} \equiv \theta_P^{inc}$ = Brewster's angle / the polarizing angle for a *TM* polarized incident wave, where no reflected wave exists, we have:

$$\tan \theta_B^{inc} \equiv \tan \theta_P^{inc} \approx \left(\frac{n_2}{n_1} \right) \text{ for } \mu_1 \approx \mu_2 \approx \mu_0$$

From Snell's Law: $n_1 \sin \theta_{inc} = n_2 \sin \theta_{trans}$ we also see that: $\tan \theta_B^{inc} = \frac{\sin \theta_B^{inc}}{\cos \theta_B^{inc}} \approx \frac{n_2}{n_1}$

or: $n_1 \sin \theta_B^{inc} \approx n_2 \cos \theta_B^{inc}$ for $\mu_1 \approx \mu_2 \approx \mu_0$.

Thus, from Snell's Law we see that: $\cos \theta_B^{inc} = \sin \theta_{trans}$ when $\theta_{inc} = \theta_B^{inc} \equiv \theta_P^{inc}$.

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So what's so interesting about this???

Well: $\cos \theta_B^{inc} = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta_B^{inc}\right) = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \cos \theta_B^{inc} - \cancel{\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)}^{=0} \sin \theta_B^{inc} = \sin \theta_{trans}$ *i.e.* $\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta_B^{inc}\right) = \sin \theta_{trans}$

\therefore When $\theta_{inc} = \theta_B^{inc} \equiv \theta_P^{inc}$ for an incident *TM*-polarized *EM* wave, we see that $\theta_{trans} = \pi/2 - \theta_B^{inc}$

Thus: $\theta_B^{inc} + \theta_{trans} = \pi/2$, *i.e.* $\theta_B^{inc} \equiv \theta_P^{inc}$ and θ_{trans} are complimentary angles !!!

Comment 3):

For internal reflection ($n_1 > n_2$) there exists a critical angle of incidence past which no transmitted beam exists for either TE or TM polarization. The critical angle does not depend on polarization – it is actually dictated / defined by Snell's Law:

$$n_1 \sin \theta_{critical}^{inc} = n_2 \sin \theta_{trans}^{max} = n_2 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = n_2 \quad \text{or:} \quad \sin \theta_{critical}^{inc} = \left(\frac{n_2}{n_1}\right) \quad \text{or:} \quad \theta_{critical}^{inc} = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{n_2}{n_1}\right)$$

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For $\theta_{inc} \geq \theta_{critical}^{inc}$, no transmitted beam exists \rightarrow incident beam is totally internally reflected.

For $\theta_{inc} > \theta_{critical}^{inc}$, the transmitted wave is actually exponentially damped – becomes a so-called:

Evanescent Wave:

$$\vec{E}_{trans}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{E}_{o_{trans}} \underbrace{e^{-\alpha z}}_{\text{Exp. damping in } z} \underbrace{e^{i\left(k_2 x \sin \theta_{inc} \left(\frac{n_1}{n_2}\right) - \omega t\right)}}_{\text{Oscillatory along interface in } x\text{-direction}}$$

$$\alpha = k_2 \sqrt{\left(\frac{n_1}{n_2}\right)^2 \sin^2 \theta_{inc} - 1}$$

Exp. damping in z

Oscillatory along interface in x -direction

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Brewster's angle for *TE polarization*:

$$\theta_{inc}^B_{TE} = \sin^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{\left(\frac{\epsilon_2}{\epsilon_1}\right) - \left(\frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1}\right)}{\left(\frac{\mu_1}{\mu_2}\right) - \left(\frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1}\right)}} = \sin^{-1} \sqrt{A}$$

$$\sin \theta_{inc}^B = \sqrt{\frac{\left(\frac{\epsilon_2}{\epsilon_1}\right) - \left(\frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1}\right)}{\left(\frac{\mu_1}{\mu_2}\right) - \left(\frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1}\right)}} \equiv \sqrt{A} \quad i.e. \quad A \equiv \left[\frac{\left(\frac{\epsilon_2}{\epsilon_1}\right) - \left(\frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1}\right)}{\left(\frac{\mu_1}{\mu_2}\right) - \left(\frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1}\right)} \right]$$

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