

Outline

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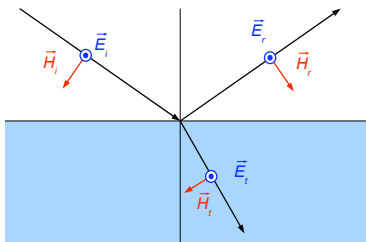
Monochromatic Wave at Interface (from previous lecture)

- using $\vec{H}_0^{i,r,t} = \frac{c}{\omega} \vec{k}^{i,r,t} \times \vec{E}_0^{i,r,t}$
- tangential components of \vec{E}_0 and \vec{H}_0 are continuous:

$$(\vec{E}_0^i + \vec{E}_0^r - \vec{E}_0^t) \times \vec{n} = 0$$

$$(\vec{k}^i \times \vec{E}_0^i + \vec{k}^r \times \vec{E}_0^r - \vec{k}^t \times \vec{E}_0^t) \times \vec{n} = 0$$

Electric Field Perpendicular to Plane of Incidence



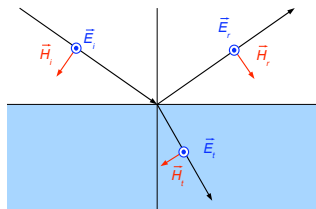
- electric field also perpendicular to interface normal \vec{n}
- $(\vec{E}_0^i + \vec{E}_0^r - \vec{E}_0^t) \times \vec{n} = 0$ becomes (with $E_0^{i,r,t}$ instead of $\vec{E}_0^{i,r,t}$)

$$E_0^i + E_0^r - E_0^t = 0$$

- $(\vec{k}^i \times \vec{E}_0^i + \vec{k}^r \times \vec{E}_0^r - \vec{k}^t \times \vec{E}_0^t) \times \vec{n} = 0$ becomes

$$\tilde{n}_1 E_0^i \cos \theta_i - \tilde{n}_1 E_0^r \cos \theta_r - \tilde{n}_2 E_0^t \cos \theta_t = 0$$

Electric Field Perpendicular to Plane of Incidence

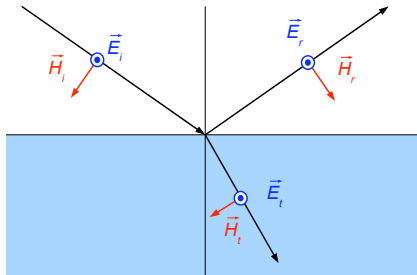


- from previous slide:

$$\tilde{n}_1 E_0^i \cos \theta_i - \tilde{n}_1 E_0^r \cos \theta_r - \tilde{n}_2 E_0^t \cos \theta_t = 0$$

- $\vec{k}^{i,r,t} \times \vec{E}_0^{i,r,t}$ in direction of $\vec{H}_0^{i,r,t}$
- Poynting vector in same direction as wave vector \Rightarrow flip sign of tangential component of magnetic field vector of reflected wave
- reason for minus sign for reflected component in above equation
- $\cos \theta_{i,r,t}$ terms from projecting $\vec{k}^{i,r,t} \times \vec{E}_0^{i,r,t}$ onto interface plane

Electric Field Perpendicular to Plane of Incidence

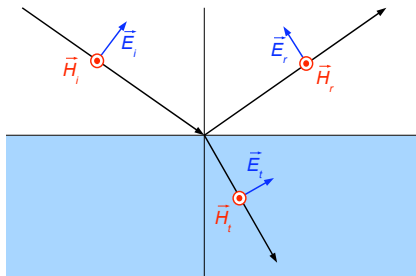


- $\theta_r = \theta_i$
- ratios of reflected and transmitted to incident wave amplitudes

$$r_s = \frac{E_0^r}{E_0^i} = \frac{\tilde{n}_1 \cos \theta_i - \tilde{n}_2 \cos \theta_t}{\tilde{n}_1 \cos \theta_i + \tilde{n}_2 \cos \theta_t}$$

$$t_s = \frac{E_0^t}{E_0^i} = \frac{2\tilde{n}_1 \cos \theta_i}{\tilde{n}_1 \cos \theta_i + \tilde{n}_2 \cos \theta_t}$$

Electric Field in Plane of Incidence

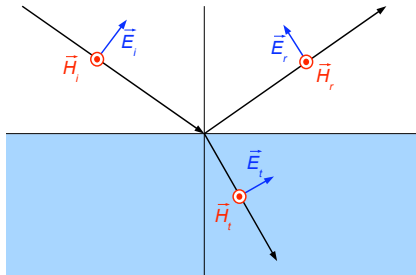


- $(\vec{E}_0^i + \vec{E}_0^r - \vec{E}_0^t) \times \vec{n} = 0$ becomes

$$E_0^i \cos \theta_i - E_0^r \cos \theta_r - E_0^t \cos \theta_t = 0 .$$

- flip tangential component of electric field vector to align Poynting and wave vectors
- $\cos \theta_{i,r,t}$ terms are due to the cross products $\vec{E}_0^{i,r,t} \times \vec{n}$

Electric Field in Plane of Incidence

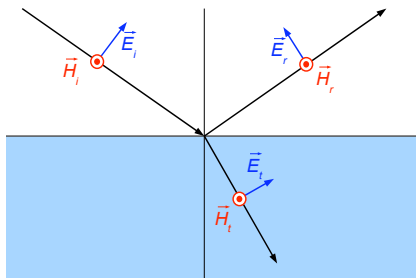


- $(\vec{k}^i \times \vec{E}_0^i + \vec{k}^r \times \vec{E}_0^r - \vec{k}^t \times \vec{E}_0^t) \times \vec{n} = 0$ becomes

$$\tilde{n}_1 E_0^i + \tilde{n}_1 E_0^r - \tilde{n}_2 E_0^t = 0$$

- $\vec{k}^{i,r,t} \times \vec{E}_0^{i,r,t}$ is in direction of $\vec{H}_0^{i,r,t}$

Electric Field in Plane of Incidence



- ratios of reflected and transmitted to incident wave amplitudes

$$r_p = \frac{E_0^r}{E_0^i} = \frac{\tilde{n}_2 \cos \theta_i - \tilde{n}_1 \cos \theta_t}{\tilde{n}_2 \cos \theta_i + \tilde{n}_1 \cos \theta_t}$$

$$t_p = \frac{E_0^t}{E_0^i} = \frac{2\tilde{n}_1 \cos \theta_i}{\tilde{n}_2 \cos \theta_i + \tilde{n}_1 \cos \theta_t}$$

Summary of Fresnel Equations

- eliminate θ_t using Snell's law $\tilde{n}_2 \cos \theta_t = \sqrt{\tilde{n}_2^2 - \tilde{n}_1^2 \sin^2 \theta_i}$
- electric field amplitude transmission $t_{s,p}$, reflection $r_{s,p}$

$$t_s = \frac{2\tilde{n}_1 \cos \theta_i}{\tilde{n}_1 \cos \theta_i + \sqrt{\tilde{n}_2^2 - \tilde{n}_1^2 \sin^2 \theta_i}}$$

$$t_p = \frac{2\tilde{n}_1 \tilde{n}_2 \cos \theta_i}{\tilde{n}_2^2 \cos \theta_i + \tilde{n}_1 \sqrt{\tilde{n}_2^2 - \tilde{n}_1^2 \sin^2 \theta_i}}$$

$$r_s = \frac{\tilde{n}_1 \cos \theta_i - \sqrt{\tilde{n}_2^2 - \tilde{n}_1^2 \sin^2 \theta_i}}{\tilde{n}_1 \cos \theta_i + \sqrt{\tilde{n}_2^2 - \tilde{n}_1^2 \sin^2 \theta_i}}$$

$$r_p = \frac{\tilde{n}_2^2 \cos \theta_i - \tilde{n}_1 \sqrt{\tilde{n}_2^2 - \tilde{n}_1^2 \sin^2 \theta_i}}{\tilde{n}_2^2 \cos \theta_i + \tilde{n}_1 \sqrt{\tilde{n}_2^2 - \tilde{n}_1^2 \sin^2 \theta_i}}$$

Consequences of Fresnel Equations

- complex index of refraction $\Rightarrow t_s, t_p, r_s, r_p$ (generally) complex
- real indices \Rightarrow argument of square root in Snell's law
$$\tilde{n}_2 \cos \theta_t = \sqrt{\tilde{n}_2^2 - \tilde{n}_1^2 \sin^2 \theta_i}$$
 can still be negative \Rightarrow complex t_s, t_p, r_s, r_p
- real indices, arguments of square roots positive (e.g. dielectric without total internal reflection)
 - therefore $t_{s,p} \geq 0$, real \Rightarrow incident and transmitted waves will have same phase
 - therefore $r_{s,p}$ real, but become negative when $n_2 > n_1 \Rightarrow$ negative ratios indicate phase change by 180° on reflection by medium with larger index of refraction

Other Form of Fresnel Equations

- using trigonometric identities

$$t_s = \frac{2 \sin \theta_t \cos \theta_i}{\sin(\theta_i + \theta_t)}$$

$$t_p = \frac{2 \sin \theta_t \cos \theta_i}{\sin(\theta_i + \theta_t) \cos(\theta_i - \theta_t)}$$

$$r_s = -\frac{\sin(\theta_i - \theta_t)}{\sin(\theta_i + \theta_t)}$$

$$r_p = \frac{\tan(\theta_i - \theta_t)}{\tan(\theta_i + \theta_t)}$$

- refractive indices “hidden” in angle of transmitted wave, θ_t
- can always rework Fresnel equations such that only ratio of refractive indices appears
- \Rightarrow Fresnel equations do not depend on absolute values of indices
- can arbitrarily set index of air to 1; then only use indices of media measured relative to air

Relative Amplitudes for Arbitrary Polarization

- electric field vector of incident wave \vec{E}_0^i , length E_0^i , at angle α to plane of incidence
- decompose into 2 components: parallel and perpendicular to interface

$$E_{0,p}^i = E_0^i \cos \alpha, \quad E_{0,s}^i = E_0^i \sin \alpha$$

- use Fresnel equations to obtain corresponding (complex) amplitudes of reflected and transmitted waves

$$E_{0,p}^{r,t} = (r_p, t_p) E_0^i \cos \alpha, \quad E_{0,s}^{r,t} = (r_s, t_s) E_0^i \sin \alpha$$

Reflectivity

- Fresnel equations apply to electric field amplitude
- need to determine equations for intensity of waves
- time-averaged Poynting vector $\langle \vec{S} \rangle = \frac{c}{8\pi} \frac{|\tilde{n}|}{\mu} |E_0|^2 \frac{\vec{k}}{|\vec{k}|}$
- absolute value of complex index of refraction enters
- energy along wave vector and not along interface normal
- each wave propagates in different direction \Rightarrow consider energy of each wave passing through unit surface area on interface
- does not matter for reflected wave \Rightarrow ratio of reflected and incident intensities is independent of these two effects
- relative intensity of reflected wave (*reflectivity*)

$$R = \frac{|E_0^r|^2}{|E_0^i|^2}$$

Transmissivity

- transmitted intensity: multiplying amplitude squared ratios with
 - ratios of indices of refraction
 - projected area on interface
- relative intensity of transmitted wave (*transmissivity*)

$$T = \frac{|\tilde{n}_2| \cos \theta_t |E_0^t|^2}{|\tilde{n}_1| \cos \theta_i |E_0^i|^2}$$

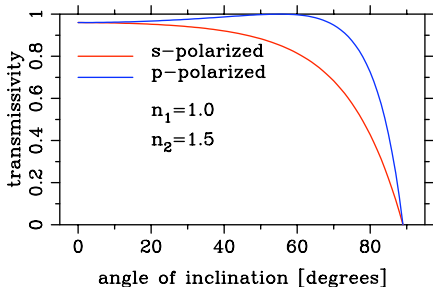
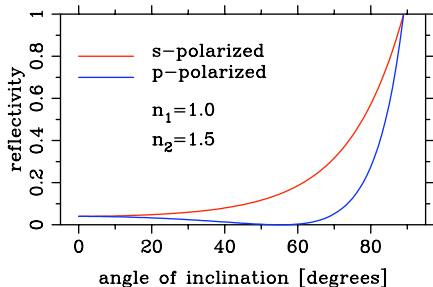
- arbitrarily polarized light with \vec{E}_0^i at angle α to plane of incidence

$$R = |r_p|^2 \cos^2 \alpha + |r_s|^2 \sin^2 \alpha$$

$$T = \frac{|\tilde{n}_2| \cos \theta_t}{|\tilde{n}_1| \cos \theta_i} \left(|t_p|^2 \cos^2 \alpha + |t_s|^2 \sin^2 \alpha \right)$$

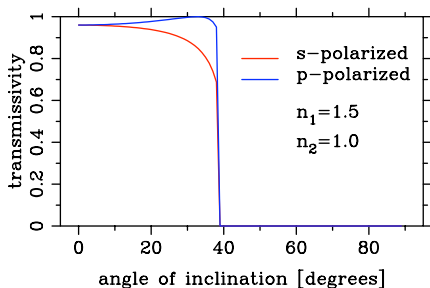
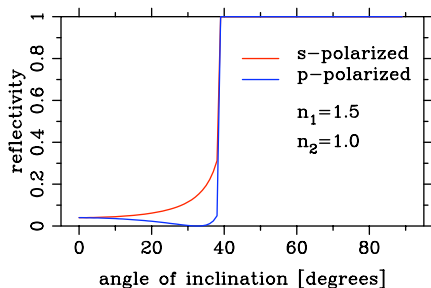
- $R + T = 1$ for dielectrics, not for conducting, absorbing materials

Brewster Angle



- $r_p = \frac{\tan(\theta_i - \theta_t)}{\tan(\theta_i + \theta_t)} = 0$ when $\theta_i + \theta_t = \frac{\pi}{2}$
- corresponds to *Brewster angle* of incidence of $\tan \theta_B = \frac{n_2}{n_1}$
- occurs when reflected wave is perpendicular to transmitted wave
- reflected light is completely s-polarized
- transmitted light is moderately polarized

Total Internal Reflection (TIR)



- Snell's law: $\sin \theta_t = \frac{n_1}{n_2} \sin \theta_i$
- wave from high-index medium into lower index medium (e.g. glass to air): $n_1/n_2 > 1$
- right-hand side > 1 for $\sin \theta_i > \frac{n_2}{n_1}$
- all light is reflected in high-index medium \Rightarrow *total internal reflection*
- transmitted wave has complex phase angle \Rightarrow damped wave along interface

Phase Change on Total Internal Reflection (TIR)

- TIR induces phase change that depends on polarization
- complex ratios:
 $r_{s,p} = |r_{s,p}| e^{i\delta_{s,p}}$
- phase change $\delta = \delta_s - \delta_p$

$$\tan \frac{\delta}{2} = \frac{\cos \theta_i \sqrt{\sin^2 \theta_i - \left(\frac{n_2}{n_1}\right)^2}}{\sin^2 \theta_i}$$

- relation valid between critical angle and grazing incidence
- for angles up to critical angle and grazing incidence, phase difference is zero

