

## Outline

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# Electromagnetic Waves

## Electromagnetic Waves in Matter

- Maxwell's equations  $\Rightarrow$  electromagnetic waves
- optics: interaction of electromagnetic waves with matter as described by *material equations*
- polarization of electromagnetic waves are integral part of optics

## Maxwell's Equations in Matter

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{D} = 4\pi\rho$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{H} - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j}$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$$

## Symbols

$\vec{D}$  electric displacement

$\rho$  electric charge density

$\vec{H}$  magnetic field

$c$  speed of light in vacuum

$\vec{j}$  electric current density

$\vec{E}$  electric field

$\vec{B}$  magnetic induction

$t$  time

## Linear Material Equations

$$\vec{D} = \epsilon \vec{E}$$

$$\vec{B} = \mu \vec{H}$$

$$\vec{j} = \sigma \vec{E}$$

## Symbols

$\epsilon$  dielectric constant

$\mu$  magnetic permeability

$\sigma$  electrical conductivity

## Isotropic and Anisotropic Media

- isotropic media:  $\epsilon$  and  $\mu$  are scalars
- anisotropic media:  $\epsilon$  and  $\mu$  are tensors of rank 2
- isotropy of medium broken by
  - anisotropy of material itself (e.g. crystals)
  - external fields (e.g. Kerr effect)

## Wave Equation in Matter

- static, homogeneous medium with no net charges:  $\rho = 0$
- for most materials:  $\mu = 1$
- combine Maxwell, material equations  $\Rightarrow$  differential equations for damped (vector) wave

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E} - \frac{\mu\epsilon}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2} - \frac{4\pi\mu\sigma}{c^2} \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{H} - \frac{\mu\epsilon}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{H}}{\partial t^2} - \frac{4\pi\mu\sigma}{c^2} \frac{\partial \vec{H}}{\partial t} = 0$$

- damping controlled by conductivity  $\sigma$
- $\vec{E}$  and  $\vec{H}$  are equivalent  $\Rightarrow$  sufficient to consider  $\vec{E}$
- interaction with matter almost always through  $\vec{E}$
- but: at interfaces, boundary conditions for  $\vec{H}$  are crucial

## Plane-Wave Solutions

- Plane Vector Wave ansatz  $\vec{E} = \vec{E}_0 e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x} - \omega t)}$ 
  - $\vec{k}$  spatially and temporally constant *wave vector*
  - $\vec{k}$  normal to surfaces of constant phase
  - $|\vec{k}|$  wave number
  - $\vec{x}$  spatial location
  - $\omega$  angular frequency ( $2\pi \times$  frequency  $\nu$ )
  - $t$  time
  - $\vec{E}_0$  (generally complex) vector independent of time and space
- could also use  $\vec{E} = \vec{E}_0 e^{-i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x} - \omega t)}$
- damping if  $\vec{k}$  is complex
- $\vec{E}_0$  describes the polarization and the absolute phase
- real electric field vector given by real part of  $\vec{E}$
- sum of solutions is also a solution

## Complex Index of Refraction

- temporal derivatives  $\Rightarrow$  Helmholtz equation

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E} + \frac{\omega^2 \mu}{c^2} \left( \epsilon + i \frac{4\pi\sigma}{\omega} \right) \vec{E} = 0$$

- spatial derivatives  $\Rightarrow$  dispersion relation between  $\vec{k}$  and  $\omega$

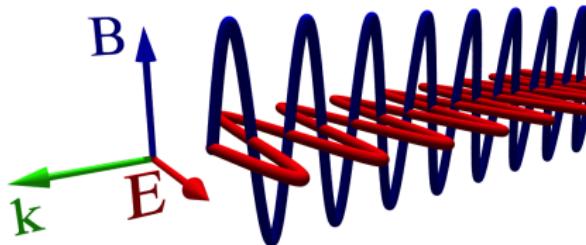
$$\vec{k} \cdot \vec{k} = \frac{\omega^2 \mu}{c^2} \left( \epsilon + i \frac{4\pi\sigma}{\omega} \right)$$

- complex index of refraction

$$\tilde{n}^2 = \mu \left( \epsilon + i \frac{4\pi\sigma}{\omega} \right), \quad \vec{k} \cdot \vec{k} = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \tilde{n}^2$$

- split into real ( $n$ : index of refraction) and imaginary parts ( $k$ : extinction coefficient)

$$\tilde{n} = n + ik$$



- plane-wave solution must also fulfill Maxwell's equations

$$\vec{E}_0 \cdot \vec{k} = 0, \quad \vec{H}_0 \cdot \vec{k} = 0, \quad \vec{H}_0 = \frac{\tilde{n}}{\mu} \frac{\vec{k}}{|\vec{k}|} \times \vec{E}_0$$

- isotropic media: electric, magnetic field vectors normal to wave vector  $\Rightarrow$  transverse waves
- $\vec{E}_0$ ,  $\vec{H}_0$ , and  $\vec{k}$  orthogonal to each other, right-handed vector-triple
- conductive medium  $\Rightarrow$  complex  $\tilde{n}$ ,  $\vec{E}_0$  and  $\vec{H}_0$  out of phase
- $\vec{E}_0$  and  $\vec{H}_0$  have constant relationship  $\Rightarrow$  consider only  $\vec{E}$

## Energy Propagation in Isotropic Media

- time-averaged *Poynting vector*

$$\langle \vec{S} \rangle = \frac{c}{8\pi} \operatorname{Re} (\vec{E}_0 \times \vec{H}_0^*)$$

$\operatorname{Re}$  real part of complex expression

$*$  complex conjugate

$\langle \cdot \rangle$  time average

- energy flow parallel to wave vector in isotropic media

$$\langle \vec{S} \rangle = \frac{c}{8\pi} \frac{|\tilde{n}|}{\mu} |E_0|^2 \frac{\vec{k}}{|\vec{k}|}$$

- energy flow is proportional to index of refraction!
- in anisotropic materials (e.g. crystals), energy propagation and wave vector are not parallel!

## Quasi-Monochromatic Light

- monochromatic light: purely theoretical concept
- monochromatic light wave always fully polarized
- real life: light includes range of wavelengths  $\Rightarrow$  *quasi-monochromatic light*
- quasi-monochromatic: superposition of mutually incoherent monochromatic light beams whose wavelengths vary in narrow range  $\delta\lambda$  around central wavelength  $\lambda_0$

$$\frac{\delta\lambda}{\lambda} \ll 1$$

- measurement of quasi-monochromatic light: integral over measurement time  $t_m$
- amplitude, phase (slow) functions of time for given spatial location
- *slow*: variations occur on time scales much longer than the mean period of the wave

## Polychromatic Light or White Light

- wavelength range comparable wavelength ( $\frac{\delta\lambda}{\lambda} \sim 1$ )
- incoherent sum of quasi-monochromatic beams that have large variations in wavelength
- cannot write electric field vector in a plane-wave form
- must take into account frequency-dependent material characteristics
- intensity of polychromatic light is given by sum of intensities of constituting quasi-monochromatic beams

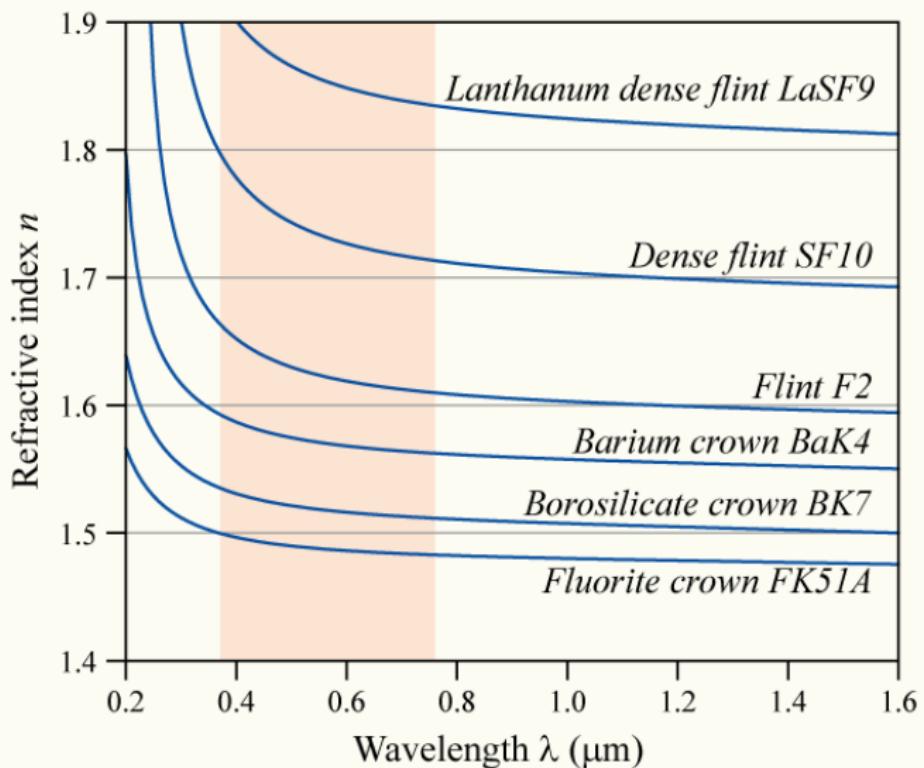
## Index of Refraction

- complex index of refraction

$$\tilde{n}^2 = \mu \left( \epsilon + i \frac{4\pi\sigma}{\omega} \right), \quad \vec{k} \cdot \vec{k} = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \tilde{n}^2$$

- no electrical conductivity  $\Rightarrow$  real index of refraction
- transparent, dielectric materials: real index of refraction
- conducting materials (metal): complex index of refraction
- also transparent, conducting materials, e.g. ITO
- index of refraction depends on wavelength (dispersion)
- index of refraction depends on temperature
- index of refraction roughly proportional to density

# Glass Dispersion



<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Dispersion-curve.png>

## Wavelength Dependence of Index of Refraction

- tabulated by glass manufacturer
- various approximations to express wavelength dependence with a few parameters
- typically index increases with decreasing wavelength
- Abbé number:

$$\nu_d = \frac{n_d - 1}{n_F - n_C}$$

- $n_d$ : index of refraction at Fraunhofer d line (587.6 nm)
- $n_F$ : index of refraction at Fraunhofer F line (486.1 nm)
- $n_C$ : index of refraction at Fraunhofer C line (656.3 nm)
- low dispersion materials have high values of  $\nu_d$
- Abbe diagram:  $\nu_d$  vs  $n_d$

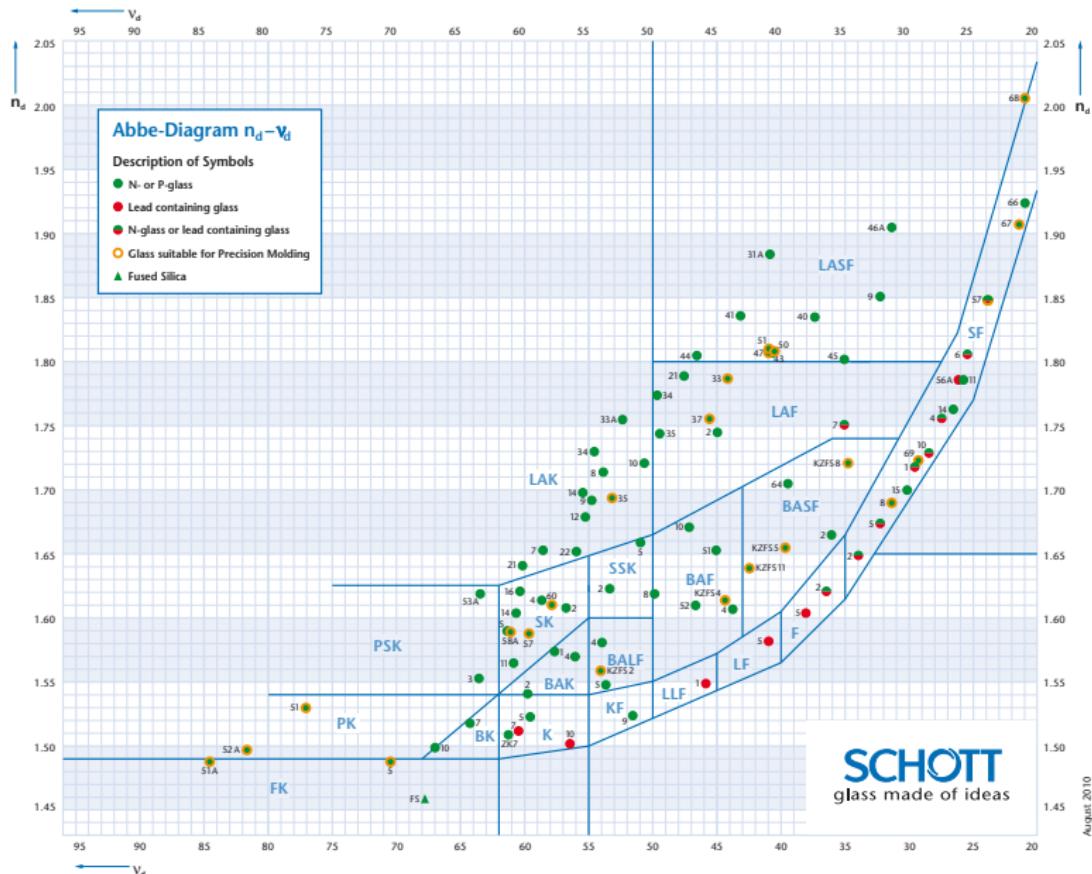
## Empirical Models of Index of Refraction

- tabulated, measured index as function of wavelength
- approximations to express smooth wavelength dependence
- most common: Sellmeier equation and coefficients:

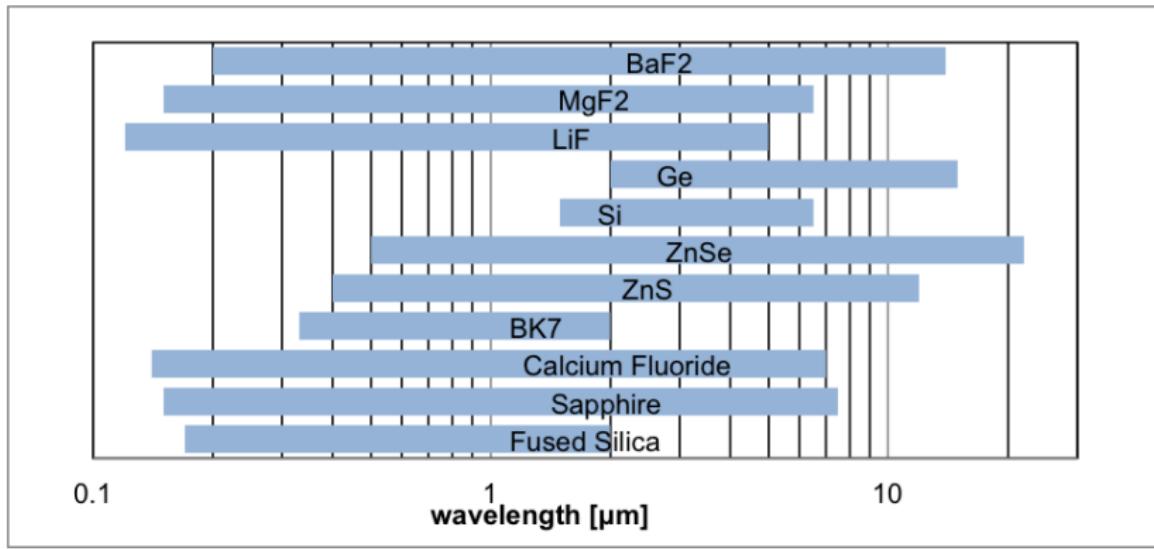
$$n^2(\lambda) = 1 + \frac{B_1 \lambda^2}{\lambda^2 - C_1} + \frac{B_2 \lambda^2}{\lambda^2 - C_2} + \frac{B_3 \lambda^2}{\lambda^2 - C_3}$$

- reflects resonances that drive index variation with wavelength
- only applicable over a limited wavelength range
- BK7:  $B_1 = 1.03961212$ ,  $C_1 = 6.00069867e-3$ ,  $B_2 = 2.31792344e-1$ ,  
 $C_2 = 2.00179144e-2$ ,  $B_3 = 1.01046945$ ,  $C_3 = 1.03560653e2$

# Glasses

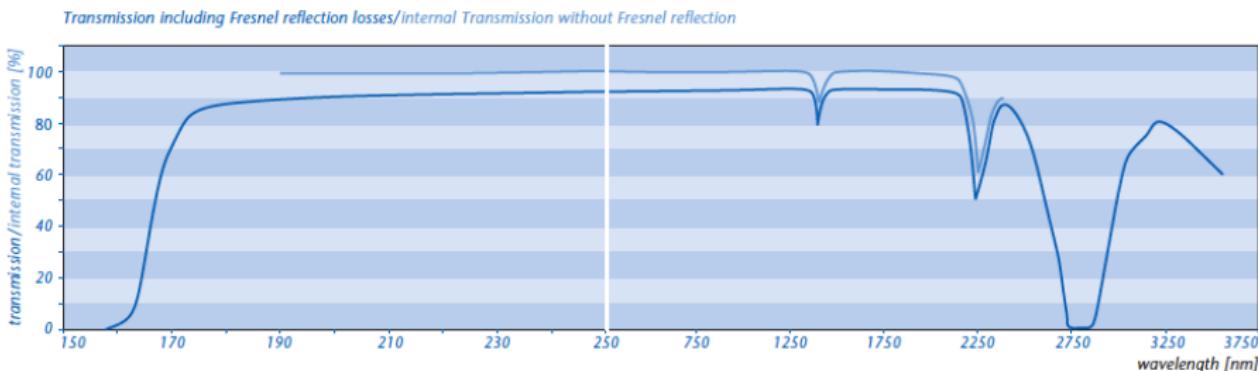


## Transparent Materials



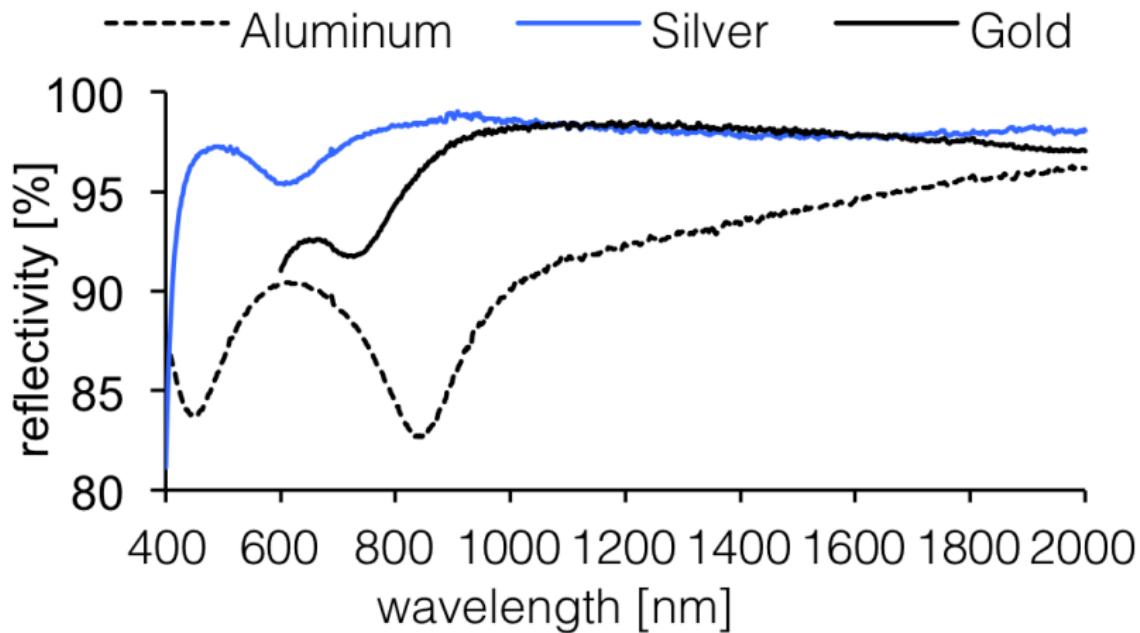
# Internal Transmission

## Typical Transmission of LITHOSIL® (10 mm path length)



- internal transmission per cm
- typically strong absorption in the blue and UV
- almost all glass absorbs above  $2 \mu\text{m}$

## Metal Reflectivity



# Electromagnetic Waves Across Interfaces

## Introduction

- classical optics due to interfaces between 2 different media
- from Maxwell's equations in integral form at interface from medium 1 to medium 2

$$(\vec{D}_2 - \vec{D}_1) \cdot \vec{n} = 4\pi\Sigma$$

$$(\vec{B}_2 - \vec{B}_1) \cdot \vec{n} = 0$$

$$(\vec{E}_2 - \vec{E}_1) \times \vec{n} = 0$$

$$(\vec{H}_2 - \vec{H}_1) \times \vec{n} = -\frac{4\pi}{c}\vec{K}$$

$\vec{n}$  normal on interface, points from medium 1 to medium 2

$\Sigma$  surface charge density on interface

$\vec{K}$  surface current density on interface

## Fields at Interfaces

- $\Sigma = 0$  in general,  $\vec{K} = 0$  for dielectrics
- complex index of refraction includes effects of currents  $\Rightarrow \vec{K} = 0$
- requirements at interface between media 1 and 2

$$(\vec{D}_2 - \vec{D}_1) \cdot \vec{n} = 0$$

$$(\vec{B}_2 - \vec{B}_1) \cdot \vec{n} = 0$$

$$(\vec{E}_2 - \vec{E}_1) \times \vec{n} = 0$$

$$(\vec{H}_2 - \vec{H}_1) \times \vec{n} = 0$$

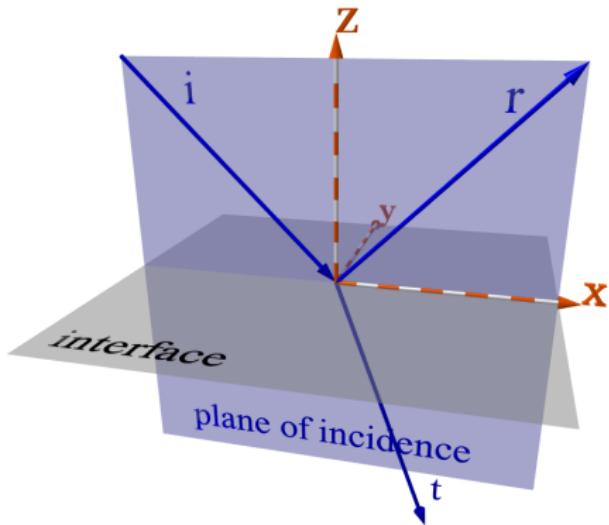
- normal components of  $\vec{D}$  and  $\vec{B}$  are continuous across interface
- tangential components of  $\vec{E}$  and  $\vec{H}$  are continuous across interface

## Plane of Incidence

- plane wave onto interface
- incident ( $i$ ), reflected ( $r$ ), and transmitted ( $t$ ) waves

$$\vec{E}^{i,r,t} = \vec{E}_0^{i,r,t} e^{i(\vec{k}^{i,r,t} \cdot \vec{x} - \omega t)}$$

$$\vec{H}^{i,r,t} = \frac{c}{\mu\omega} \vec{k}^{i,r,t} \times \vec{E}^{i,r,t}$$



- interface normal  $\vec{n} \parallel z\text{-axis}$
- spatial, temporal behavior at interface the same for all 3 waves

$$(\vec{k}^i \cdot \vec{x})_{z=0} = (\vec{k}^r \cdot \vec{x})_{z=0} = (\vec{k}^t \cdot \vec{x})_{z=0}$$

- valid for all  $\vec{x}$  in interface  $\Rightarrow$  all 3 wave vectors in one plane, *plane of incidence*

## Snell's Law

- spatial, temporal behavior the same for all three waves

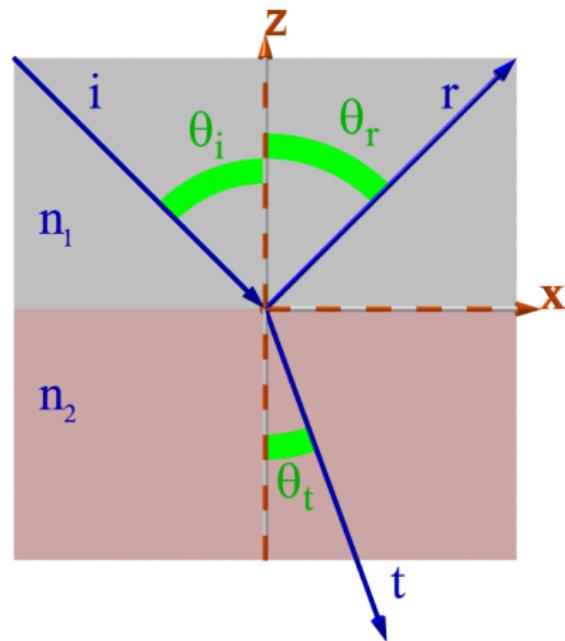
$$(\vec{k}^i \cdot \vec{x})_{z=0} = (\vec{k}^r \cdot \vec{x})_{z=0} = (\vec{k}^t \cdot \vec{x})_{z=0}$$

- $|\vec{k}| = \frac{\omega}{c} \tilde{n}$

- $\omega, c$  the same for all 3 waves

- *Snell's law*

$$\tilde{n}_1 \sin \theta_i = \tilde{n}_1 \sin \theta_r = \tilde{n}_2 \sin \theta_t$$



## Monochromatic Wave at Interface

- $\vec{H}_0^{i,r,t} = \frac{c}{\omega\mu} \vec{k}^{i,r,t} \times \vec{E}_0^{i,r,t}, \quad \vec{B}_0^{i,r,t} = \frac{c}{\omega} \vec{k}^{i,r,t} \times \vec{E}_0^{i,r,t}$

- boundary conditions for monochromatic plane wave:

$$\left( \tilde{n}_1^2 \vec{E}_0^i + \tilde{n}_1^2 \vec{E}_0^r - \tilde{n}_2^2 \vec{E}_0^t \right) \cdot \vec{n} = 0$$

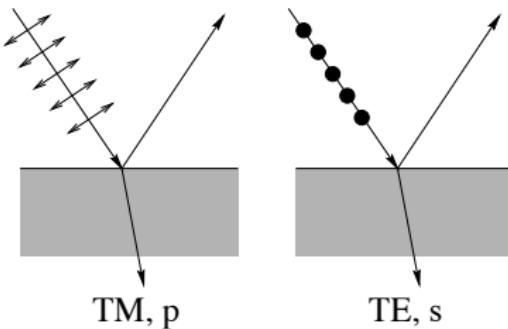
$$\left( \vec{k}^i \times \vec{E}_0^i + \vec{k}^r \times \vec{E}_0^r - \vec{k}^t \times \vec{E}_0^t \right) \cdot \vec{n} = 0$$

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

$$\left( \frac{1}{\mu_1} \vec{k}^i \times \vec{E}_0^i + \frac{1}{\mu_1} \vec{k}^r \times \vec{E}_0^r - \frac{1}{\mu_2} \vec{k}^t \times \vec{E}_0^t \right) \times \vec{n} = 0$$

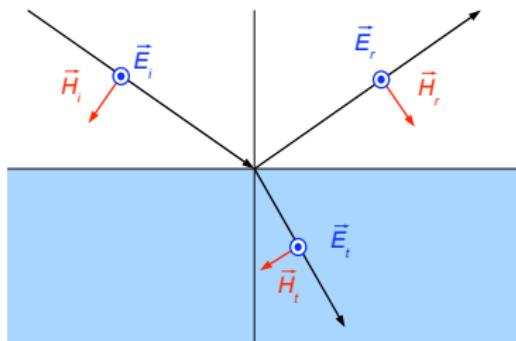
- 4 equations are not independent
- only need to consider last two equations (tangential components of  $\vec{E}_0$  and  $\vec{H}_0$  are continuous)

## Two Special (Polarization) Cases



- ① electric field **parallel** to plane of incidence  $\Rightarrow$  magnetic field is transverse to plane of incidence (TM)
- ② electric field particular (German: **senkrecht**) or transverse to plane of incidence (TE)
- general solution as (coherent) superposition of two cases
- choose direction of magnetic field vector such that Poynting vector parallel, same direction as corresponding wave vector

# Electric Field Perpendicular to Plane of Incidence



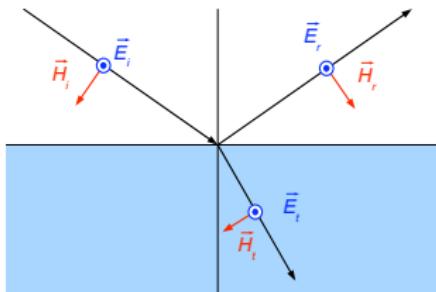
- electric field also perpendicular to interface normal  $\vec{n}$
- $(\vec{E}_0^i + \vec{E}_0^r - \vec{E}_0^t) \times \vec{n} = 0$  becomes (with  $E_0^{i,r,t}$  instead of  $\vec{E}_0^{i,r,t}$ )

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

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

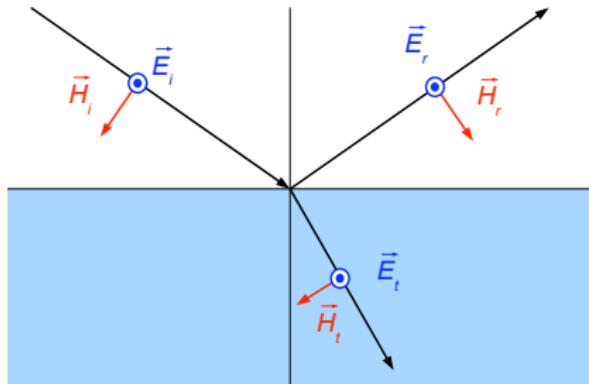


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$$\tilde{n}_1 E_0^i \cos \theta_i - \tilde{n}_1 E_0^r \cos \theta_r - \tilde{n}_2 E_0^t \cos \theta_t = 0$$

- $\vec{k}^{i,r,t} \times \vec{E}_0^{i,r,t}$  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

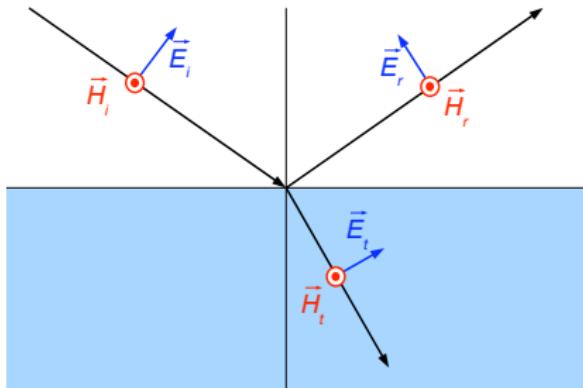


- $\theta_r = \theta_i$
- ratios of reflected and transmitted to incident wave amplitudes

$$r_s = \frac{E'_0}{E'_0} = \frac{\tilde{n}_1 \cos \theta_i - \tilde{n}_2 \cos \theta_t}{\tilde{n}_1 \cos \theta_i + \tilde{n}_2 \cos \theta_t}$$

$$t_s = \frac{E'_0}{E'_0} = \frac{2\tilde{n}_1 \cos \theta_i}{\tilde{n}_1 \cos \theta_i + \tilde{n}_2 \cos \theta_t}$$

## Electric Field in Plane of Incidence

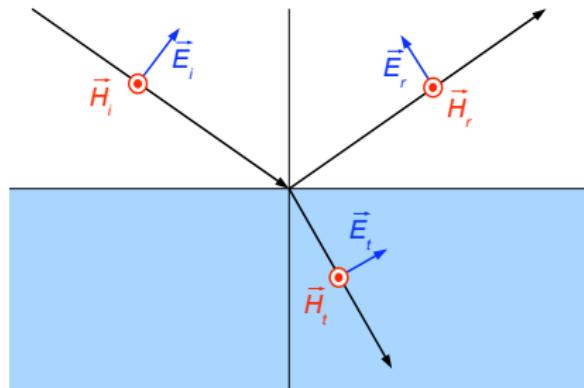


- $(\vec{E}_0^i + \vec{E}_0^r - \vec{E}_0^t) \times \vec{n} = 0$  becomes

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

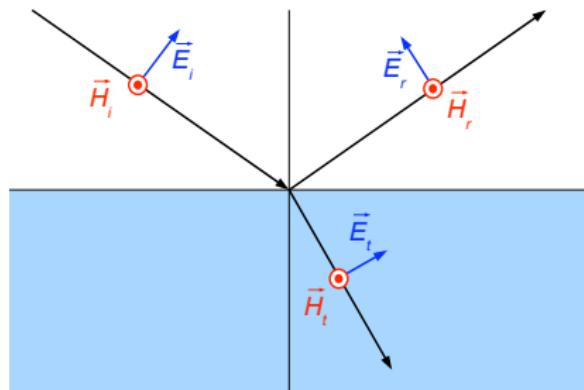
- flip tangential component of electric field vector to align Poynting and wave vectors
- $\cos \theta_{i,r,t}$  terms are due to the cross products  $\vec{E}_0^{i,r,t} \times \vec{n}$

## 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

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

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

## Summary of Fresnel Equations

- eliminate  $\theta_t$  using Snell's law  $\tilde{n}_2 \cos \theta_t = \sqrt{\tilde{n}_2^2 - \tilde{n}_1^2 \sin^2 \theta_i}$
- for most materials  $\mu_1/\mu_2 \approx 1$
- 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  $\Rightarrow \underline{\text{argument of square root in Snell's law}}$   
 $\tilde{n}_2 \cos \theta_t = \sqrt{\tilde{n}_2^2 - \tilde{n}_1^2 \sin^2 \theta_i}$  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  $180^\circ$  on reflection by medium with larger index of refraction

## Other Form of Fresnel Equations

- using trigonometric identities

$$\begin{aligned}t_s &= \frac{2 \sin \theta_t \cos \theta_i}{\sin(\theta_i + \theta_t)} \\t_p &= \frac{2 \sin \theta_t \cos \theta_i}{\sin(\theta_i + \theta_t) \cos(\theta_i - \theta_t)} \\r_s &= -\frac{\sin(\theta_i - \theta_t)}{\sin(\theta_i + \theta_t)} \\r_p &= \frac{\tan(\theta_i - \theta_t)}{\tan(\theta_i + \theta_t)}\end{aligned}$$

- refractive indices “hidden” in angle of transmitted wave,  $\theta_t$
- 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  $\alpha$  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

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

## 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 (different speed of light)
  - projected area on interface
- relative intensity of transmitted wave (*transmissivity*)

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

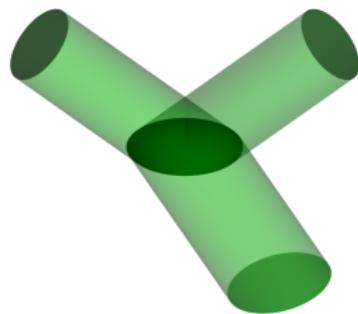
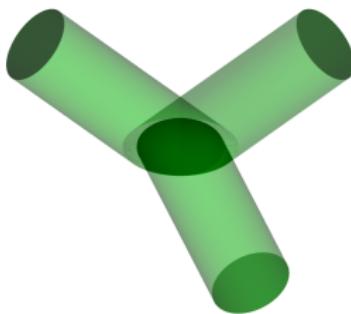
- arbitrarily polarized light with  $\vec{E}_0^i$  at angle  $\alpha$  to plane of incidence

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

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

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

## Projection Correction



## Reflection and Transmission

