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Wave Optics

$\psi = E \cos(kx - \omega t + \phi)$

 amplitude \downarrow E

 wave number \downarrow k

 angular freq \downarrow ω

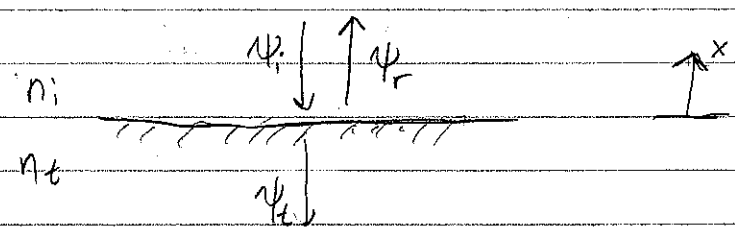
 phase \leftarrow ϕ

$k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} = \frac{2\pi n}{\lambda}$

 $\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} \quad c = \frac{\omega}{k}$

Reflection & Transmission at Normal incidence

(Atanules requires Maxwell's Eqs - Polarization)



$\psi_i = E_i \cos(k_i x - \omega_i t)$

 $\psi_t = E_t \cos(k_t x - \omega_t t)$

 $\psi_r = E_r \cos(k_r x + \omega_r t)$

$\omega_i = \omega_t = \omega_r \equiv \omega$

$k_i = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_i} = \frac{2\pi n_i}{\lambda_i} = k_r$

$k_t = \frac{2\pi n_t}{\lambda_t}$

Continuity at surface: $\psi_i + \psi_r = \psi_t$ at $x=0$

(I)

$E_i + E_r = E_t$

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Conservation of Energy:

S_i = S_r + S_t at x=0 (Poynting vectors)

S = 1/m_0 (E x B)

|B| = E/c in free space

= E/v = nE/c in a medium

=> |S| = n/m_0 E^2

Hence

n_i E_i^2 = n_r E_r^2 + n_t E_t^2

Reflection coefficient: (Amplitude)

r = psi_r/psi_i at x=0

t = psi_t/psi_i at x=0

Boxed equations (boundary conditions) in these variables are now

(I) : 1 + r = t

(II) : 1 = r^2 + (n_t/n_i) t^2 => (1-r)(1+r) = (n_t/n_i) t^2

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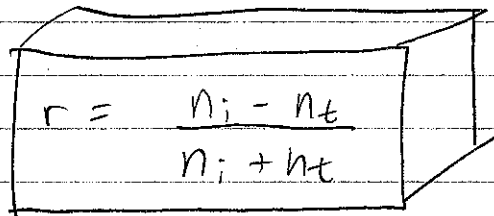
Combining (I) & (II):

$$(1-r)t = \frac{n_t}{n_i} t^*$$

$$t = \frac{n_i}{n_t} (1-r)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1+r = \frac{n_i}{n_t} (1-r)$$

$$r \left(1 + \frac{n_i}{n_t}\right) = \frac{n_i}{n_t} - 1$$


$$r = \frac{n_i - n_t}{n_i + n_t}$$

Reflection coefficient (Intensity)

$$R \equiv r^2 = \left(\frac{n_i - n_t}{n_i + n_t} \right)^2$$

Example: air \rightarrow glass

$$R = \left(\frac{1-1.5}{1+1.5} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{-1/2}{5/2} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{25} = 4\%$$

\Rightarrow 4% transmission loss every time light (at any wavelength) travels from air into glass! (or vice-versa)

8% for a pane of glass!

$$\left. \begin{array}{r} \downarrow \\ -4\% \\ \hline -4\% \\ \hline \end{array} \right\} -8\%$$

Aside: metals have imaginary n 's, so $R=1$ for them. (You can verify this at home.)

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π phase shifts upon reflection:

Air \rightarrow glass: $r < 0$

Glass \rightarrow air: $r > 0$

Air \rightarrow glass: $|E_r| = -|rE_i|$

$$A \cos(\theta + \pi) = A \cos \theta \overset{-1}{\cos \pi} - A \sin \theta \overset{0}{\sin \pi}$$

$$= -A \cos \theta$$

Amplitude sign flip = π phase shift

Do Multiple reflections next.

Interference: When waves add at fixed place

Diffraction: When many waves add at fixed place

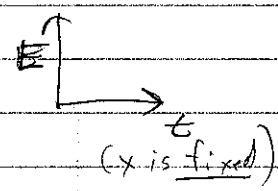
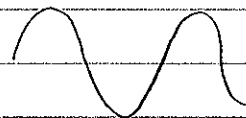
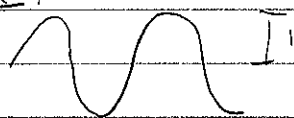
Physics: Where do waves come from?

Math:

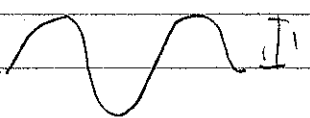
$\langle I \rangle = \frac{1}{2} E^2$

SKIP

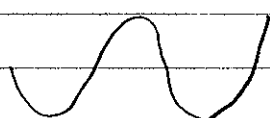
$\langle I_a \rangle$



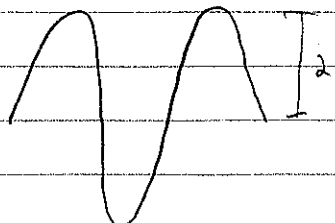
$\langle I_b \rangle +$



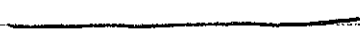
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$\langle I_c \rangle =$



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Constructive Interference

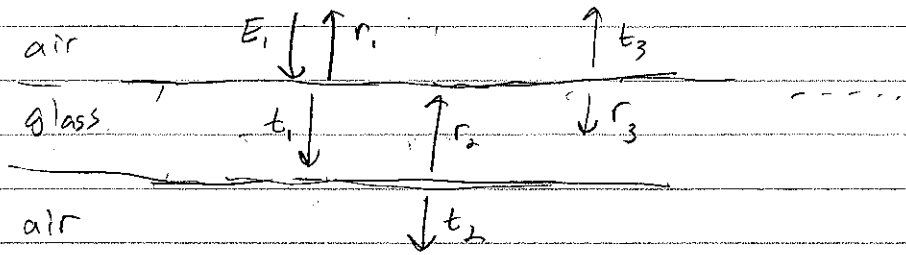
Destructive interference

$\frac{1}{2} (2)^2 > \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}$

$\frac{1}{2} (0) < \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}$

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Multiple reflections



Must add waves : Interference