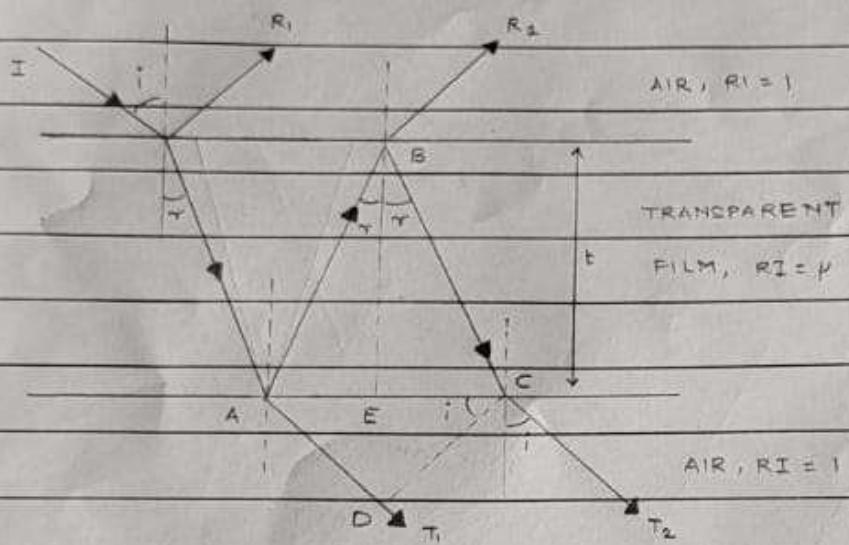


III. Derive the equations for maxima and minima due to interference in the transmitted light.

→ For a light transmitted from a thin transparent film of uniform thickness, waves are reflected from upper and lower surfaces of the film (internal reflections), which is a denser medium.

Since both the reflections occur at the surface of air (rarer medium), there is no phase change and the factor $\lambda/2$ does not arise.



in this case, optical path difference = $\mu(AB + BC) - AD$

Note that, the factor $\lambda/2$ is missing as there is no phase reversal. Due to this, the conditions of interference would be complementary to those obtained in the reflected light. They are given by,

$$2\mu t \cos \gamma = n\lambda \quad \text{— maxima/brightness}$$

$$2\mu t \cos \gamma = (2n-1)\lambda/2 \quad \text{— minima/darkness}$$

here, $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$