

# The electromagnetic wave

## 1. The Maxwell's equations without sources

$$\rho_i = 0, \quad j_i = 0$$

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

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

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = - \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

Method 1:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{E}) &= \nabla \times \left( - \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \right) = - \frac{\partial (\nabla \times \vec{B})}{\partial t} = \\ &= - \frac{\partial \left( \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} \right)}{\partial t} = \\ &= - \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$/* \quad \vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = \vec{a} (\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c}) - (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) \vec{c} \quad */$$

Method 2:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{E}) &= \nabla (\nabla \cdot \vec{E}) - (\nabla \cdot \nabla) \vec{E} \\ &= - \nabla^2 \vec{E} \end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \vec{i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \vec{j} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \vec{k}$$

$$V = 3xy + 4x^2 - 9yz$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla V &= (3y + 8xz) \vec{i} \\ &+ (3x + 0) \vec{j} \\ &+ (4x^2 - 9y) \vec{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2}$$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E} - \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{B} - \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

2. The electromagnetic field equations

$\Rightarrow$  electromagnetic wave

$$\vec{E}(x, t) = \vec{E}_m \sin(\omega t - kx)$$

$$\vec{B}(x, t) = \vec{B}_m \sin(\omega t - kx)$$

$$\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = \omega \vec{B}_m \cos(\omega t - kx)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}}{\partial t^2} = -\omega^2 \vec{B}_m \sin(\omega t - kx)$$

$$\nabla \vec{B} = \frac{d\vec{B}}{dx} = k \vec{B}_m \cos(\omega t - kx)$$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{B} = \frac{d^2 \vec{B}}{dx^2} = -k^2 \vec{B}_m \sin(\omega t - kx)$$

$$\vec{B}(x, t) = -\frac{1}{\omega^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}}{\partial t^2} = -\frac{1}{k^2} \nabla^2 \vec{B}$$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{B} - \frac{k^2}{\omega^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \\ \omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \frac{k}{\omega} = \frac{\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}}{\frac{2\pi}{T}} = \frac{T}{\lambda} \Rightarrow \frac{k}{\omega} = \frac{1}{c}$$

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

$$\nabla^2 \vec{B} - \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{c^2} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}}$$

or Maxwell equation

the velocity of electromagnetic wave

$$\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} = 9 \cdot 10^9 \frac{\text{Nm}^2}{\text{C}^2}$$

$$\mu_0 = 4\pi \cdot 10^{-7} \frac{\text{V}}{\text{A}}$$

$$C = 2,9979246 \cdot 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

↳ velocity of light

•  $\nabla \times \vec{E} = ?$

$$\vec{E}(x,t) = E(x,t) \cdot \vec{j} \quad \leftarrow \text{direction}$$

↑  
magnitude

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ 0 & E(x,t) & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \vec{i} \left( - \frac{\partial E(x,t)}{\partial z} \right) - \vec{j} (0) + \vec{k} \left( \frac{\partial E(x,t)}{\partial x} - 0 \right)$$

$$= \vec{k} E_m \cos(\omega t - \vec{k}x) (-k) \quad \leftarrow \text{wave}$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = - \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = -\omega B_m \cos(\omega t - \vec{k}x) \vec{k}$$

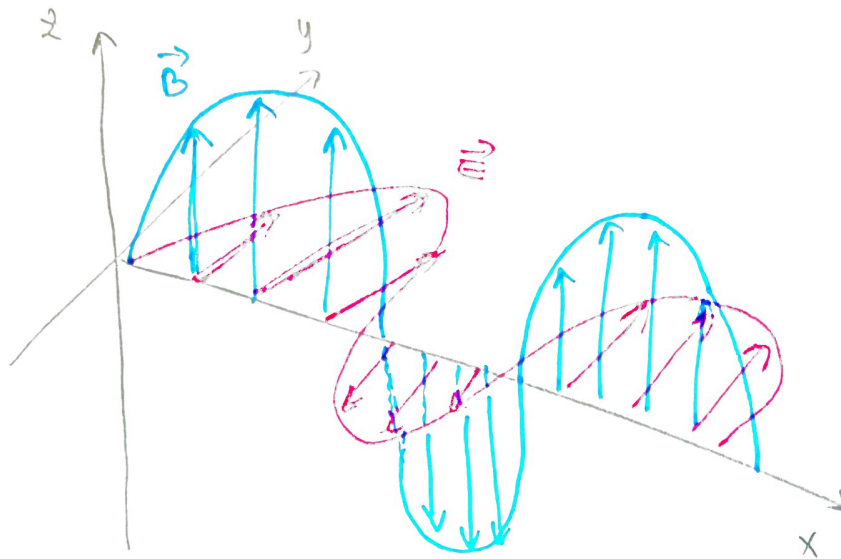
$$\Rightarrow k E_m = \omega B_m$$

$$E_m = \frac{\omega}{k} B_m$$

$$E_m = C \cdot B_m$$

$$E = c \cdot B$$

EXAM

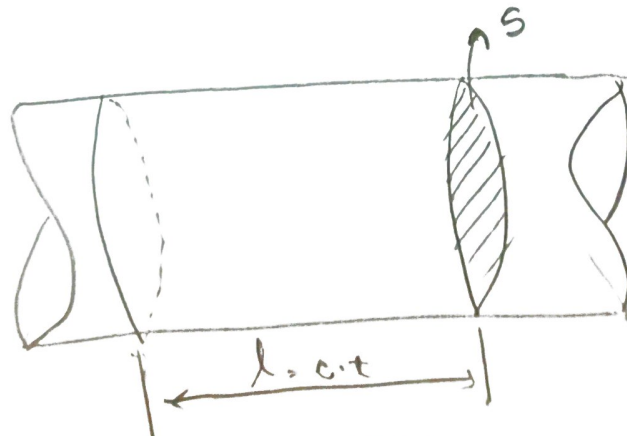


### 3. The electromagnetic wave intensity

$$I: \text{def} = \frac{1}{S} \left\langle \frac{dW}{dt} \right\rangle_t$$

$W$ : wave energy

$\langle \rangle$ : the time average



Note:  $u: \text{def} = \left\langle \frac{dW}{dV} \right\rangle_t$  density of energy



$$w = \left\langle \frac{dW}{d(S \cdot ct)} \right\rangle_t$$

$$w = \frac{1}{c} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{1}{S} \left\langle \frac{dW}{dt} \right\rangle_t}_I$$

$$I = c \cdot w$$

$$w_{em} = w_e + w_m$$

$$w_e = \frac{\epsilon_0 E^2}{2}$$

$$w_m = \frac{B^2}{2\mu_0}$$

$$w_e = \frac{\epsilon_0 E^2}{2} \xrightarrow{E = cB} \frac{\epsilon_0 c^2 B^2}{2} = \frac{\cancel{\epsilon_0} B^2}{2 \cancel{\epsilon_0} \mu_0} = \frac{B^2}{2\mu_0} = w_m$$

$$E = cB$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{w_{em} = 2w_e}$$

$$I = c \cdot w_{em} \Rightarrow$$

$$I = c \cdot \epsilon_0 E^2 = c \cdot \frac{B^2}{\mu_0}$$

$$I = c \epsilon_0 E \cdot B$$

$$\vec{P} = c^2 \epsilon_0 \vec{E} \times \vec{B}$$

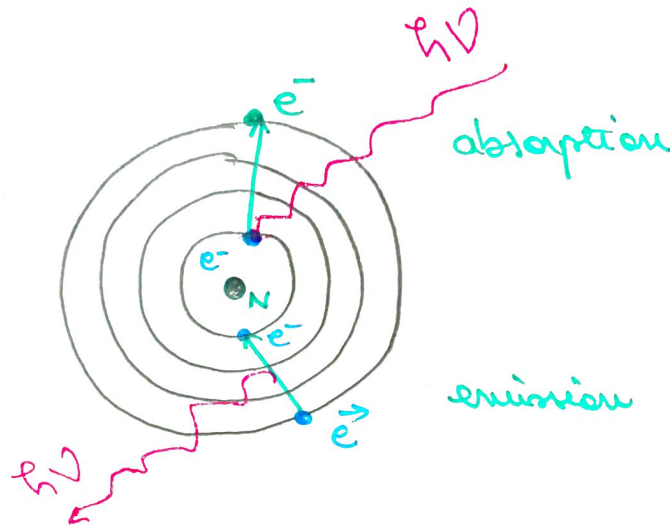
the POINTING vector

(points along the direction of propagation of the electromagnetic wave)

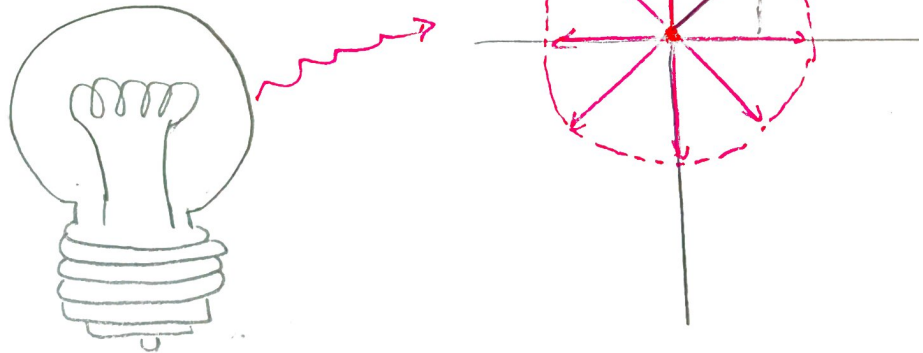
$$|\vec{p}| = I$$

#### 4. The polarization of light

##### ⊙ The absorption and emission of light



⊙ B



$$\begin{cases} E_x = a \sin(\omega t - \varphi_x) \\ E_y = b \sin(\omega t - \varphi_y) \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{E_x}{a} = \sin(\omega t - \varphi_x)$$

$$\frac{E_y}{b} = \sin(\omega t - \varphi_x + \varphi_x - \varphi_y)$$

Note  $\Delta\phi = \phi_x - \phi_y$

$$\frac{E_y}{b} = \underbrace{\sin(\omega t - \phi_x)}_{\frac{E_x}{a}} \cos \Delta\phi + \underbrace{\cos(\omega t - \phi_x)}_{\sqrt{1 - \sin^2(\omega t - \phi_x)}} \sin \Delta\phi$$

$$\frac{E_y}{b} - \frac{E_x}{a} \cos \Delta\phi = \sqrt{1 - \frac{E_x^2}{a^2}} \sin \Delta\phi \quad |^2$$

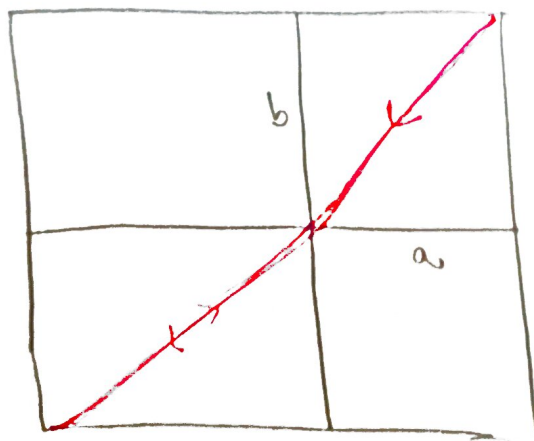
$$\frac{E_y^2}{b^2} + \frac{E_x^2}{a^2} \cos^2 \Delta\phi - \frac{2E_x E_y}{a \cdot b} \cos \Delta\phi = \left(1 - \frac{E_x^2}{a^2}\right) \sin^2 \Delta\phi$$

$$\frac{E_x^2}{a^2} + \frac{E_y^2}{b^2} - \frac{2E_x E_y}{ab} \cos \Delta\phi = \sin^2 \Delta\phi$$

! IF  $\Delta\phi \neq f(t)$  time independent  $\Rightarrow$   
 $\Rightarrow$  polarized light

① Lissajous figures  
 (Types of light polarization)

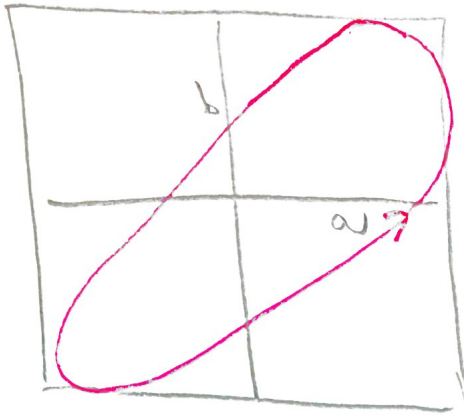
i)  $\Delta\phi = 0 \quad \left(\frac{E_x}{a} - \frac{E_y}{b}\right)^2 = 0$



linear polarized light

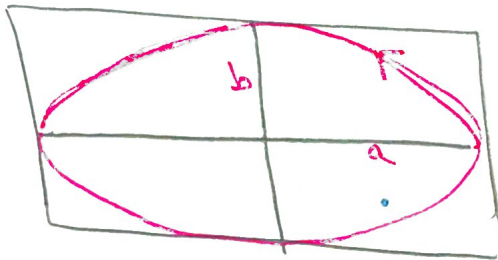


$$ii) 0 < \Delta\phi < \frac{\pi}{2}$$



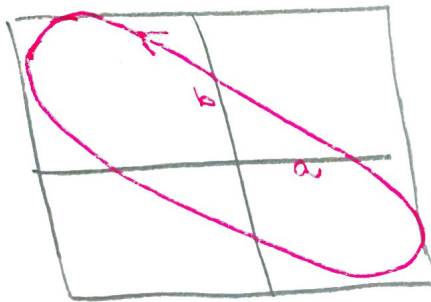
elliptical polarised light

$$iii) \Delta\phi = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

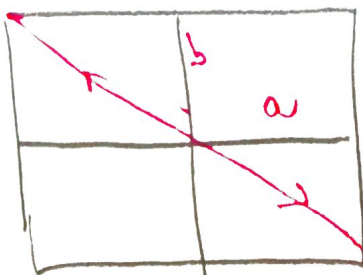


$$\frac{E_x^2}{a^2} + \frac{E_y^2}{b^2} = 1$$

$$iv) \frac{\pi}{2} < \Delta\phi < \pi$$

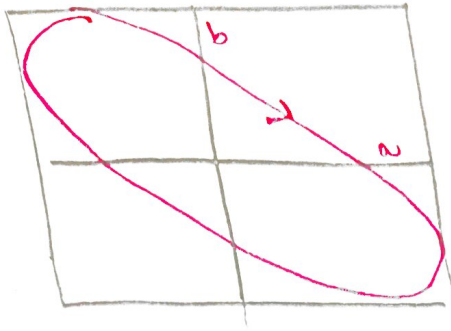


$$v) \Delta\phi = \pi$$



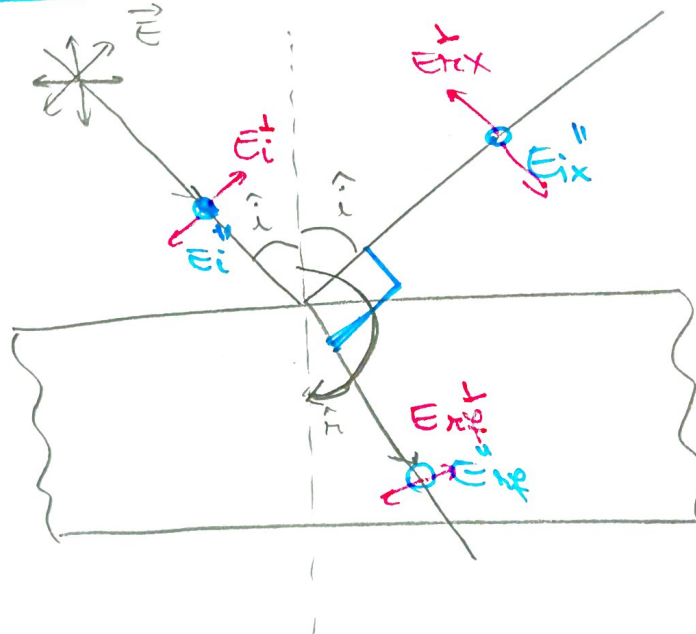
$$\left( \frac{E_x}{a} + \frac{E_y}{b} \right)^2 = 0$$

$$ii) \pi < \Delta\varphi < 3\pi/2$$



④ Methods to produce a polarized

④. In homogeneous media by reflexion and refraction



• Fresnel's relationships

$$E_{rx}^{\perp} = -E_i^{\perp} \cdot \frac{\tan(\hat{i} - \hat{r})}{\tan(\hat{i} + \hat{r})}$$

$$E_{rx}^{\parallel} = -E_i^{\parallel} \cdot \frac{\sin(\hat{i} - \hat{r})}{\sin(\hat{i} + \hat{r})}$$

$$E_{tx}^{\perp} = E_i^{\perp} \frac{2 \cos(\hat{i}) \sin(\hat{r})}{\sin(\hat{i} + \hat{r}) \sin(\hat{i} - \hat{r})}$$

$$E_{tx}^{\parallel} = E_i^{\parallel} \frac{2 \cos(\hat{i}) \sin(\hat{r})}{\sin(\hat{i} + \hat{r})}$$

$$\frac{\sin(\hat{i})}{\sin(\hat{r})} = \frac{u_1}{u_2} = n_{12}$$

$$E_{\text{ref}}^u = 0 \Rightarrow \cos(\hat{i} + \hat{r}) = 0$$

$$\underline{\underline{\hat{i} + \hat{r} = 90^\circ}}$$

If the <sup>refracted</sup> ray is perpendicular on the <sup>reflected</sup> ray, then the refracted ray is linearly polarized.  
and  $\hat{i} + \hat{r} = 90$

$$\text{If } \hat{i} + \hat{r} = 90 \quad \underline{\underline{i = i_B}} \\ \Rightarrow \hat{r} = 90^\circ - i_B$$

$$\frac{\sin(i_B)}{\sin(90^\circ - i_B)} = \frac{\sin(i_B)}{\cos(i_B)} = n_{12} \text{ or}$$

$$\boxed{\tan(i_B) = n_{12}}$$

$i_B$  = the BREWSTER angle