

Chapter 2 - Plane Waves + Index of Refraction

plane wave:

$$\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{E}_0 \cdot \cos(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t + \phi)$$

"wave vector" \rightarrow $\vec{k} = k \hat{u} = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_{vac}} \hat{u}$
"k"
direction of propagation

angular frequency $\rightarrow \omega = \frac{2\pi \cdot c}{\lambda_{vac}} = 2\pi \cdot \nu$

k + ω are related just like λ + ν

$$c = \frac{\lambda_{vac}}{T} = \lambda_{vac} \cdot \nu = \frac{\omega}{k}$$

this relationship
is known as the
"dispersion relation"

"kappa"
wave number

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_{vac}} = K = [cm^{-1}]$$

$$c = v_{vac} \leftarrow \text{velocity of light in vacuum}$$

$$\nu \quad \nu \leftarrow "nu"$$

frequency

similarly for magnetic field:

$$\vec{B}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{B}_0 \cos(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t + \phi)$$

$\vec{B}_0 = \frac{\vec{k} \times \vec{E}_0}{\omega}$, so \vec{B}_0 is not independent, but is determined by other parameters.

$$\vec{B}_0 \perp \vec{k} \perp \vec{E}$$

also think about magnitude

$$B_0 = \frac{k E_0}{\omega} = \frac{E_0}{c} \leftarrow \text{since this is so large we will focus on the } \vec{E} \text{ field.}$$

Complex plane waves:

$$\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = \text{Re} \left\{ \vec{\tilde{E}}_0 e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \right\}$$

$$\vec{\tilde{E}}_0 = \vec{E}_0 e^{i\phi} \leftarrow \text{phase shift}$$

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

Summarize some facts that we know now:

$\lambda \rightarrow$ wavelength

$T \rightarrow$ period

$\nu \rightarrow$ frequency ($\frac{1}{T}$)

$k \rightarrow$ wave vector ($\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$)

$\omega \rightarrow$ angular frequency ($\frac{2\pi}{T}$)

$$v = \frac{\omega}{k}$$

$$v = \frac{\lambda}{T} = \lambda \cdot \nu \leftarrow \text{any wave}$$

$$c = \lambda_{\text{vac}} \cdot \nu$$

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

permittivity of free space $\rightarrow \epsilon_0 = 8.85 \cdot 10^{-12} \frac{C^2}{Nm^2}$

permeability of free space $\rightarrow \mu_0 = 4\pi \cdot 10^{-7} \frac{T}{Am^2}$

Speed of Light in matter

\hookrightarrow light slows down in materials

$$\frac{c}{v} = n \leftarrow \text{index of refraction}$$

$$n=1 \leftarrow \text{vacuum}$$

$$n=1.0003 \leftarrow \text{air}$$

$$n=1.33 \leftarrow \text{water}$$

$$n=1.5 \leftarrow \text{glass}$$

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

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E} = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial t^2}$$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E} = \frac{k^2}{\omega^2} \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial t^2}$$

Q1: what is light? ✓

Q2: where does light come from? ✓

Q3: can the speed of light change? see Q6

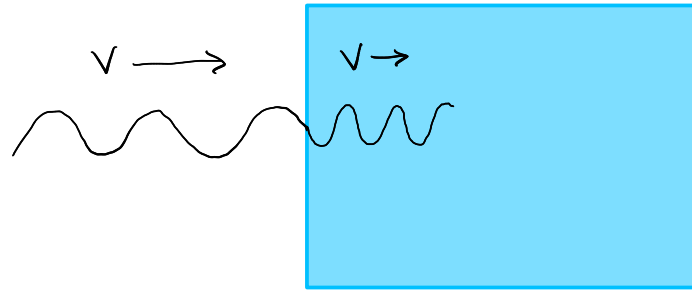
Q4: what affects the brightness of light?

Q5: how do human perceive light amount + color

Q6: why does light slow down in materials
Q3

Q7: what is reflection

$\lambda \cdot \nu = v = \frac{c}{n}$
 \downarrow
 gets smaller as n increases



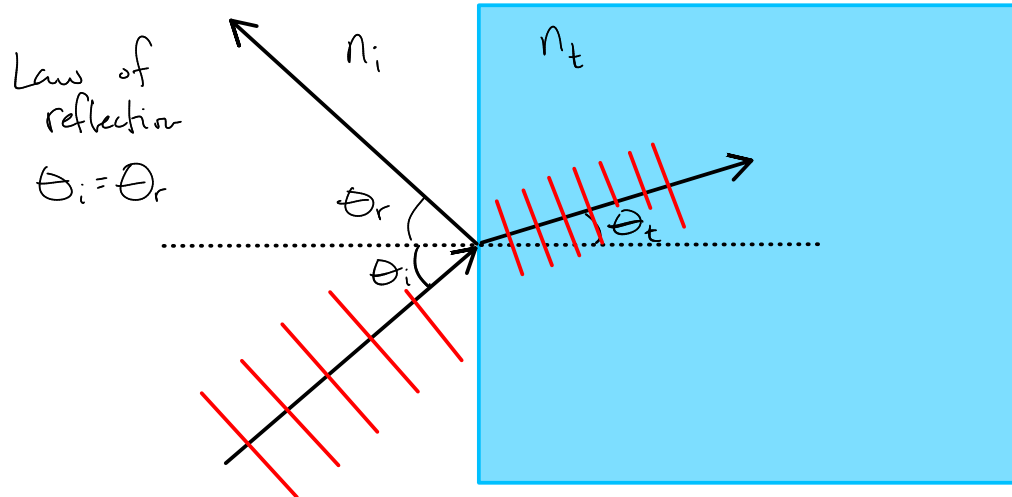
$\lambda_{vac} \nu = c \Leftrightarrow c = n \cdot \nu$
 \uparrow
 $\lambda \cdot \nu$

$\lambda_{vac} \cancel{\nu} = n \cdot \lambda \cdot \cancel{\nu}$
 \leftarrow wavelength in material

$\lambda = \frac{\lambda_{vac}}{n}$ } λ will be smaller than λ_0 since $n > 1$

Table 23.1 Indices of Refraction for $\lambda = 589.3$ nm in Vacuum (at 20°C Unless Otherwise Noted)

Material	Index
Solids	
Ice (at 0°C)	1.309
Fluorite	1.434
Fused quartz	1.458
Polystyrene	1.49
Lucite	1.5
Plexiglas	1.51
Crown glass	1.517
Plate glass	1.523
Sodium chloride	1.544
Light flint glass	1.58
Dense flint glass	1.655
Sapphire	1.77
Zircon	1.923
Diamond	2.419
Titanium dioxide	2.9
Gallium phosphide	3.5
Liquids	
Water	1.333
Acetone	1.36
Ethyl alcohol	1.361
Carbon tetrachloride	1.461
Glycerin	1.473
Sugar solution (80%)	1.49
Benzene	1.501
Carbon disulfide	1.628
Methylene iodide	1.74



Snell's Law

$n_i \sin \theta_i = n_t \sin \theta_t$

static case

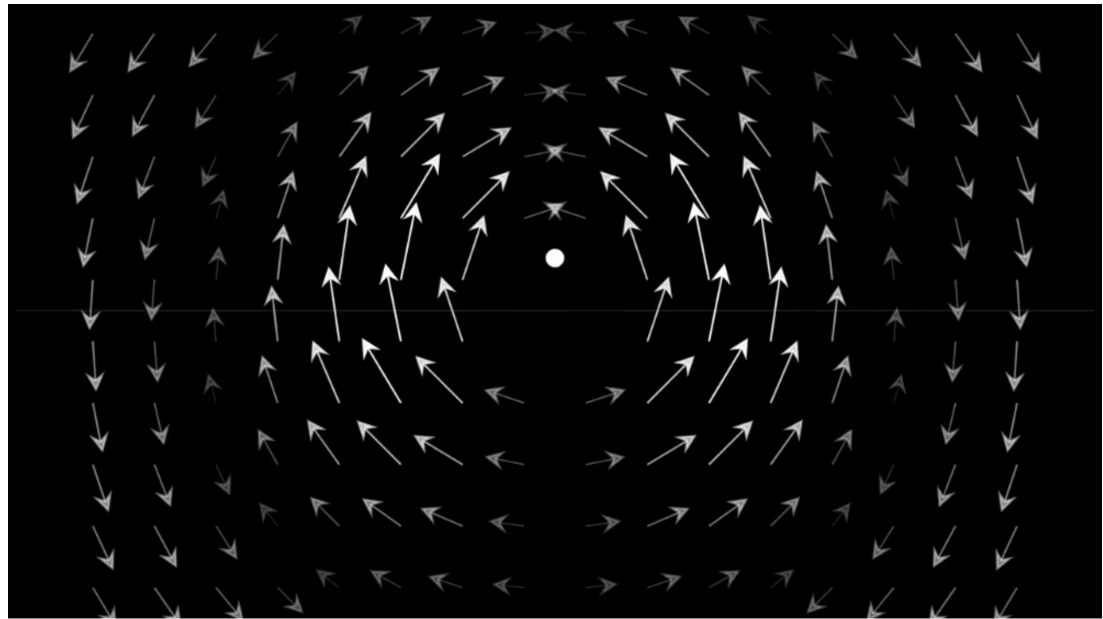
$$E(\vec{r}) = \frac{kq_0}{r^2}$$

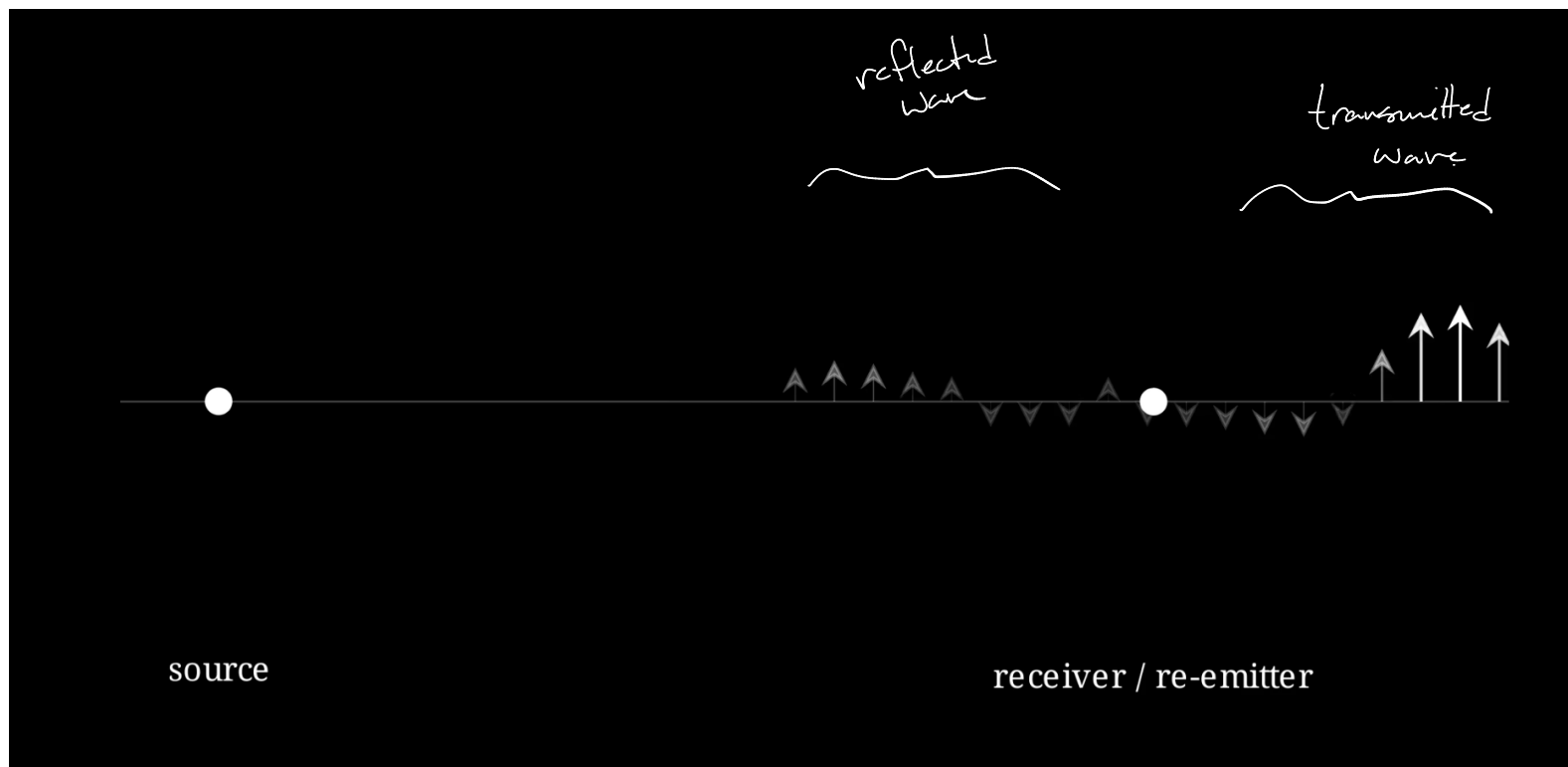
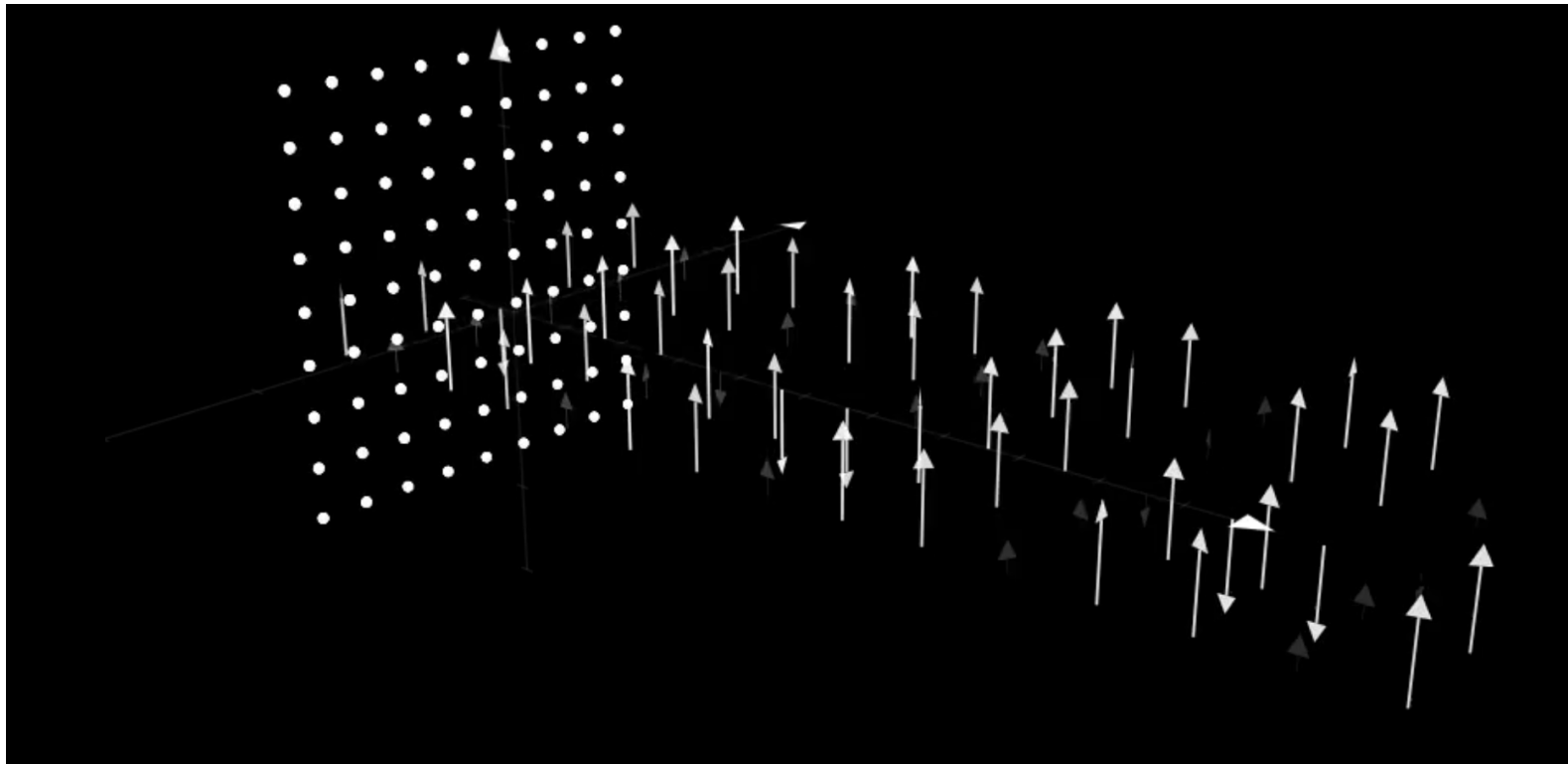
oscillating charge

→ $\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{E}_{\text{static}} + \vec{E}_{\text{rad}}$

$$\vec{E}_{\text{rad}} \propto \frac{\vec{a}_{\perp}(t - r/c)}{r}$$

wave behavior
compare to $\vec{r} - vt$





Dielectric Media

↳ insulator (like glass, water, air)

Assumptions: (1) isotropic → same in all directions

(2) homogeneous → same over distance

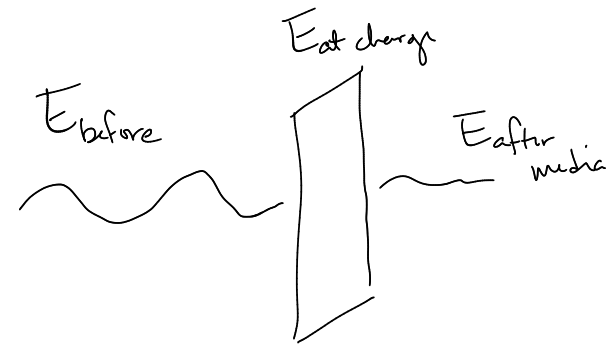
(3) non-conducting (insulator/dielectric) $\vec{J}_{\text{free}} = 0$

(4) very thin material
(air or some other thin gas)

} we will relax this later on

Light in a thin gas → Feynman, vol 1, Ch 31

Light in matter = incident field + field reradiated by driven charges



$$\vec{E}_{\text{after plate}} = \vec{E}_s + \sum_{\text{all other charges}} \vec{E}_{\text{each charge}}$$

$$\vec{E}_s = \vec{E}_0 \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

$$\vec{E}_s = \vec{E}_0 \cos\left(k\left(x - \frac{\omega}{k}t\right)\right)$$

$$\vec{E} = \vec{E}_0 \cos\left(\omega\left(\frac{k}{\omega}x - t\right)\right)$$

$$\vec{E} = \vec{E}_0 \cos\left(-\omega\left(t - \frac{k}{\omega}x\right)\right)$$

$$\vec{E} = \vec{E}_0 \cos\left(\omega\left(t - \frac{x}{c}\right)\right)$$

$$\vec{E} = \vec{E}_0 e^{i\omega\left(t - \frac{x}{c}\right)}$$

So now what about the field from other charges?

plate thickness = Δx

$$t_{\text{vac}} = \frac{\Delta x}{c}$$

$$t_{\text{plate}} = \frac{n \Delta x}{c}$$

$$\Delta t = t_{\text{plate}} - t_{\text{vac}}$$

$$= (n-1) \frac{\Delta x}{c}$$

$$E_{\text{after plate}} = E_0 e^{i\omega\left(t - \Delta t - \frac{x}{c}\right)}$$

$$= E_0 e^{i\omega\left(t - (n-1)\frac{\Delta x}{c} - \frac{x}{c}\right)}$$

$$= e^{-i\omega(n-1)\frac{\Delta x}{c}} E_0 e^{i\omega\left(t - \frac{x}{c}\right)}$$

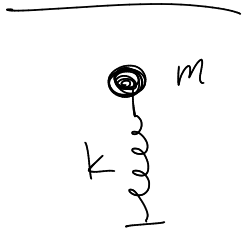
$\underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}$ w/ a phase shift
 $\underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}$ just like the original wave
 But w/ a

$$e^{-i\omega(n-1)\frac{\Delta x}{c}}, \Delta x \text{ is very small}$$

$$\underbrace{e^s \approx 1 + s, \text{ for small } s}$$

$$e^{-i\omega(n-1)\frac{\Delta x}{c}} \approx 1 - i\omega(n-1)\frac{\Delta x}{c}$$

$$E_{\text{after plate}} = \underbrace{E_0 e^{i\omega(t - \frac{x}{c})}}_{E_s} - \underbrace{\frac{i\omega(n-1)\Delta x}{c} \cdot E_0 e^{i\omega(t - \frac{x}{c})}}_{E_a}$$



$$ma = \sum F = -kz$$

$$m \frac{d^2 z}{dt^2} = -kz$$

$$\frac{d^2 z}{dt^2} = -\frac{k}{m} z$$

$$\cancel{A \omega^2 \cos(\omega t)} = \cancel{-\frac{k}{m} \cdot A \cos(\omega t)}$$

$$\omega^2 = \frac{k}{m} \Rightarrow \omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

↖ one of our constants

$$z = A \cdot \cos(\omega \cdot t)$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = -A\omega \cdot \sin(\omega t)$$

$$\frac{d^2 z}{dt^2} = -A\omega^2 \cos(\omega t)$$

$$z = A \cdot \cos(\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} t)$$

↪ given by initial conditions
at $t=0, z=1 \Rightarrow A=1$

$$z = A e^{\omega t}$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = A\omega e^{\omega t}$$

$$\frac{d^2 z}{dt^2} = A\omega^2 e^{\omega t}$$

$$A\omega^2 e^{\omega t} = -\frac{k}{m} A e^{\omega t}$$

$$\omega^2 = -\frac{k}{m}$$

$$z = 1 \cdot \cos\left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \cdot t\right)$$