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Physics 51  
Homework #24  
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Townsend 1.{37, 43}

**Townsend 1.37** Determine the probability that a photon is detected at the first minimum of a six-slit grating if the bottom two slits are closed. Assume the magnitude of the probability amplitude due to each slit is  $r$ . *Suggestion:* Start by showing how the complex probability amplitudes from each slit add up to zero at the first minimum.

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**Townsend 1.43** Use the principle of least time to derive Snell's law, namely,  $n_1 \sin \theta_1 = n_2 \sin \theta_2$  for light being refraction as it travels from a medium with index of refraction  $n_1$  into a medium with index of refraction  $n_2$ . *Suggestion:* Follow a procedure similar to the one given in Example 1.11. Locate the source S in medium 1 and the point P in medium 2.

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