

# Light & Heat

## week 7 Notes

### \*Oscillatory Motion

- Simple Harmonic Motion (SHM) requires restoring force

↳ Restoring force most easily generated by linear force.

$F(x) \sim -(x - x_0)$  stems from quadratic potential

$$F(x) = -\frac{dU}{dx} \sim -x \rightarrow U(x) \sim \frac{1}{2}x^2$$

- Stable equilibrium point can be approximated by quadratic potential

$$F(x=x_0) = -\left.\frac{dU(x)}{dx}\right|_{x=x_0} = 0$$

$$U(x) = U(x=x_0) + \left.\frac{dU(x)}{dx}\right|_{x=x_0} x + \left.\frac{1}{2!} \frac{d^2U(x)}{dx^2}\right|_{x=x_0} x^2 + \left.\frac{1}{3!} \frac{d^3U(x)}{dx^3}\right|_{x=x_0} x^3 \dots$$

$$U(x) \approx \frac{1}{2!} \left.\frac{d^2U(x)}{dx^2}\right|_{x=x_0} x^2$$

- Transverse waves: oscillation of media is perpendicular to direction of wave travel.

- Longitudinal waves: oscillation of media is parallel to direction of wave travel.

## \* Mathematical description of waves

- Displacement of media from equilibrium described via wavefunction  
 $f(x, t)$

❖ 1-D: e.g. wave on string,  $y(x, t)$

2-D: e.g. ripples from pond,  $z(x, y, t)$

3-D: e.g. waves from point source;  $P(x, y, z, t)$

❖ Displacements can have many dimensions too.

↳ e.g. string oscillating in  $yz$  plane if wave pulse  
travels in  $x$  direction

$$\vec{f}(x, t) = y(x, t) \hat{j} + z(x, t) \hat{k}$$

- Harmonic wave: sinusoidally varying waves

$$y(x, t) = A \sin\left(2\pi\left(\frac{x}{\lambda} - ft\right)\right) = A \sin\left(2\pi\left(\frac{x}{\lambda} - \frac{t}{T}\right)\right)$$

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## week 8 Notes

### \*Waves

- 1-D wave equation for waves on a string

↳ Tension & mass density uniform

↳ small displacement



$$\frac{\partial^2 Y(x,t)}{\partial t^2} = \frac{T}{\mu} \frac{\partial^2 Y(x,t)}{\partial x^2}$$

- 1-D wave equation

↳ Mathematical shape  $\Psi(x)$

↳ Move in  $x$ -direction by  $x \pm vt$

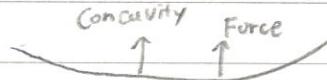
$$\frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial t^2} = v^2 \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial x^2}$$

- Wavefunction must satisfy wave equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 Y(x,t)}{\partial t^2} = \frac{T}{\mu} \frac{\partial^2 Y(x,t)}{\partial x^2}$$

↳  $\frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial t^2}$ : Acceleration

↳  $\frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial x^2}$ : Concavity



- Solutions of wave equation

↳ Recall harmonic wave function  $Y(x,t) = A \sin(2\pi(\frac{x}{\lambda} - ft))$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial t^2} = -A (2\pi f)^2 \sin(2\pi(\frac{x}{\lambda} - ft)) \\ \frac{T}{\mu} \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial x^2} = -A \frac{T}{\mu} (\frac{2\pi}{\lambda})^2 \sin(2\pi(\frac{x}{\lambda} - ft)) \end{array} \right.$$

$$\downarrow \\ \frac{T}{\mu} \frac{1}{\lambda^2} = f^2 \rightarrow \frac{T}{\mu} = (f\lambda)^2$$

But  $v = f\lambda$ , so  $\frac{T}{\mu} = v^2$ ,

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial t^2} = v^2 \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial x^2}}$$

General form for 1D wave eq'n.

∴ If a wave solution can be expressed as  $f(x-vt)$ , then it will satisfy the 1D wave equation.

- Define:

↳ Wavenumber  $k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$

↳ Angular frequency  $\omega = 2\pi f$

∴ Then wavefunction is  $y(x, t) = A \sin(kx - \omega t)$

### \*Linear Superposition

- Given 2 solutions to wave equation  $\Psi_1(x, t)$  and  $\Psi_2(x, t)$ , a linear combo of two solutions is also a solution,

$$\Psi_3(x, t) = A\Psi_1(x, t) + B\Psi_2(x, t)$$

- Waves reflecting off boundaries

↳ Left-moving wave  $f(x - vt)$

↳ Right-moving wave  $g(x + vt)$

1. String attached to rigid wall

$$y(x, t) = Af(x - vt) + Bg(x + vt)$$

$$y(0, t) = 0 = Af(-vt) + Bg(vt) \rightarrow f(-vt) = -g(vt)$$

$$\therefore g(x + vt) = -f(-x - vt) \quad (\text{A \& B are constants})$$

General

$$\boxed{y(x, t) = f(x - vt) - f(-x - vt)}$$

2. String attached to pole, free to move

$$y(x, t) = f(x - vt) + f(-x - vt)$$

(wave reflects same way - not flipped)

- Waves reflecting off boundaries

### 1. Fixed boundaries

$$y(x, t) = A \sin(kx - \omega t) - A \sin(-kx - \omega t)$$

$$= A (\sin(kx - \omega t) + \sin(kx + \omega t))$$

use  $2 \sin(\alpha) \cos(\beta) = \sin(\alpha + \beta) + \sin(\alpha - \beta)$

$$y(x, t) = 2A \sin(kx) \cos(\omega t)$$

Amplitude  $2A \cos(\omega t)$

∴ A standing wave  $y(x, t) = A \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) \cos(\omega t)$

Node = places where amplitude is 0,  $\sin(kx) = 0$

Antinode = places where amplitude is max,  $\sin(kx) = 1$

Harmonic wavefunction

only certain frequencies can exist for standing waves.

Other freq's will interfere & dampen out

Possible L for standing wave:  $\sin(kL) = 0$ ,  $\lambda = \frac{2L}{n}$ ,  $f = \frac{n\nu}{2L}$

↳ Discrete spectrum of allowed freq's = modes (n)

∴ General motion of string can be decomposed into linear  
superposition of modes

$$y(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2A_n \sin(k_n x) \cos(\omega_n t + \phi_n)$$

## \* Energy transmission via waves

- For wave traveling right w/ speed  $v$ , a segment of string has transverse velocity

$$v_{\text{trans}} = \frac{\partial y(x,t)}{\partial t} = -A\omega \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

$$\text{Power} = P = \vec{T} \cdot \vec{v}_{\text{trans}} = T \sin \theta [-A\omega \cos(kx - \omega t)]$$

For small displacements,  $\sin \theta \approx \tan \theta \approx \partial y / \partial x$

$$P \approx T \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} [-A\omega \cos(kx - \omega t)] = TA^2 \mu v \omega \cos^2(kx - \omega t)$$

$$\text{Substitute } v = \sqrt{\frac{T}{\mu}} \rightarrow T = v^2 \mu \text{ and } v = \frac{\omega}{k}$$

$$P \approx A^2 \mu v \omega^2 \cos^2(kx - \omega t)$$

Find average  $P$ :

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\text{avg}} &= \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T P dt = A^2 \mu v \omega^2 \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \underbrace{\cos^2(kx - \omega t) dt}_{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \mu v \omega^2 A^2 \end{aligned}$$

• Avg. E within length  $\Delta x$ :

$$\Delta E_{\text{avg}} = P_{\text{avg}} \Delta t = \frac{1}{2} \mu v \omega^2 A^2 \Delta x$$

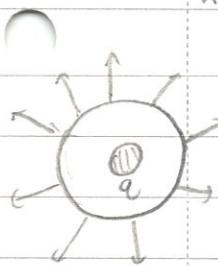
∴ Power transmitted & energy per unit length is proportional

to the amplitude of the wave squared.

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## week 9 Notes

### \* Maxwell's Equations



- Gauss' Law:  $\oint_s E_n dA = \oint_s \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{Q_{\text{inside}}}{\epsilon_0}$

↳ Net flux through Gaussian surface is proportional to charge enclosed

- No magnetic monopoles:  $\oint_s \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{A} = 0$

↳ Same thing but with magnetic fields

- Faraday's Law:  $\oint_C \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_s \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{A}$

↳ Time derivative of magnetic flux is related to amount of emf produced.



- Ampere's Generalized Law:  $\oint_C \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_0 I + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_s E_n dA$

↳ Magnetic field along line integral of Amperian closed loop is proportional to the enclosed current.

### \* Some math operators

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

↳ Gradient:  $\nabla f = \hat{i} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}$  (scalar func  $\rightarrow$  vector func)

↳ Divergence:  $\nabla \cdot \vec{f} = \frac{\partial f_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial f_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial f_z}{\partial z}$  (vector func  $\rightarrow$  scalar func)

↳ Curl:  $\nabla \times \vec{f} = \left[ \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right] \times \left[ \hat{i} f_x(x, y, z) + \hat{j} f_y(x, y, z) + \hat{k} f_z(x, y, z) \right]$

(vector func  $\rightarrow$  vector func)

### \* Differential forms

↳ Gauss' Law:  $\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$

↳ No magnetic monopoles:  $\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$

↳ Faraday's Law:  $\nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{B}$

↳ Ampere's generalized law:  $\nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{E}$

displacement  
vector

• Maxwell's Equations in free space (vacuum Maxwell equations)

↳ No sources: no charge or current

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

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

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

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

Time  
deriv.

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

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

$$\text{Limit to } x, t: \vec{E}(x, t) = \hat{i} E_x(x, t) + \hat{j} E_y(x, t) + \hat{k} E_z(x, t)$$

$$\partial_y \vec{E} = \partial_z \vec{E} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = \hat{i} \partial_x \times [\hat{i} E_x + \hat{j} E_y + \hat{k} E_z] = \hat{k} \partial_x E_y - \hat{j} \partial_x E_z$$

$$\nabla \times \nabla \times \vec{E} = \hat{i} \partial_x \times [\hat{k} \partial_x E_y - \hat{j} \partial_x E_z] = -\hat{j} \partial_x^2 E_y - \hat{k} \partial_x^2 E_z$$

$$\hat{j} \frac{\partial^2 E_y}{\partial x^2} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial^2 E_z}{\partial x^2} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \left( \hat{i} \frac{\partial^2 E_x}{\partial t^2} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial^2 E_y}{\partial t^2} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial^2 E_z}{\partial t^2} \right)$$

$$\text{Each component independent, } \frac{\partial^2 E_x}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

※ Maxwell's wave equation (for electric field)

$$\frac{\partial^2 E_y}{\partial x^2} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 E_y}{\partial t^2}$$

$\vec{E}(x, t)$ , represents wave traveling in x direction oscillating transversely.

$$V_{\text{EM wave}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}} \approx 3 \times 10^8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} = c$$

• Takeaways

↳ EM wave travels at same speed as light

↳ Transverse oscillations

↳ Harmonic solutions of form  $E(x, t) = E_0 \sin(kx - \omega t)$

$$\hookrightarrow \text{Now } c = \frac{\omega}{k}$$

※ The wave is not an oscillation of some medium

(Waves travel through empty space)

- Consider EM wave traveling in x-direction and  $\vec{E} = \hat{j} E_y(x, t)$  only.

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

$$i\partial_x \times \hat{j} E_y = \hat{k} \partial_x E_y = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{B}$$

Thus  $\vec{B} \sim \hat{k}$

For  $\vec{E} = \hat{j} E_0 \cos(kx - \omega t)$  and  $\vec{B} = \hat{k} B_0 \cos(kx - \omega t)$ ,

$$\hat{k} \partial_x E_y = -\hat{k} (-\omega) B_0 \sin(kx - \omega t)$$

$$\hat{k} E_0 \sin(kx - \omega t) = \omega B_0 \sin(kx - \omega t)$$

$$E_0 = \frac{\omega}{k} B_0 = c B_0$$

Relates magnitudes of  $\vec{E}$  and  $\vec{B}$

## \* Energy & Momentum of EM waves

- For parallel plate capacitors:

$$U = \frac{1}{2} CV^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d} \right) (Ed)^2 = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2 (Ad)$$

Per unit volume,  $u_E = \frac{U}{V} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2$

- For an inductor:

$$U = \frac{1}{2} LI^2 = \frac{1}{2} (\mu_0 n^2 A l) \left( \frac{B}{\mu_0 n} \right)^2 = \frac{B^2}{2\mu_0} Al$$

Per unit volume,  $u_B = \frac{U}{V} = \frac{B^2}{2\mu_0}$

- For an EM wave,  $|E| = c|B|$

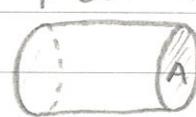
$$u_B = \frac{B^2}{2\mu_0} = \frac{E^2}{2c^2\mu_0} = \frac{\mu_0 \epsilon_0 E^2}{2\mu_0} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2 = u_E$$

Total energy in EM wave:  $u = u_E + u_B = \epsilon_0 E^2$   
 $= \frac{B^2}{\mu_0}$

$$\left. \frac{EB}{\mu_0 c} \right)$$

- Total energy in EM wave

↳ Volume:  $c\Delta t A$



↳ Energy inside volume:  $u(c\Delta t A)$

↳ Power through Cross Section:  $\frac{uc\Delta t A}{\Delta t}$

↳ Power flowing per unit cross-sectional area =  $\frac{uc\Delta t A}{\Delta t A} = uc$

⊗ This is the magnitude of the Poynting vector.

$$|\vec{S}| = uc = \frac{EB}{\mu_0}$$

$$\vec{S} = \frac{\vec{E} \times \vec{B}}{\mu_0} \quad (\text{power flows in dir. of propagation})$$

⊗ Intensity:  $I = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T S dt = \frac{1}{\mu_0} E_0 B_0 \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \cos^2(kx - \omega t) dt = \frac{1}{2\mu_0} E_0 B_0$

$$I = c \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} E_0^2$$

• Electromagnetic momentum (loose deriv.)

↪ Assume energy  $U$  in volume  $V=c\Delta t A$  is completely absorbed, then work done = energy transmitted,

$$U = W = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{d}$$

$$I = \frac{U}{\Delta t A} = \frac{\vec{F} \cdot \vec{d}}{\Delta t A} = \frac{F c \Delta t}{\Delta t A} = c \frac{F}{A} \quad (\text{intensity})$$

$$= cP \quad (P = \text{pressure})$$

$$P = \frac{I}{c} = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} E_0^2$$

$$\text{Use } F = \frac{dp}{dt} \longrightarrow I = c \frac{dp}{dt A} = \frac{U}{\Delta t A} \longrightarrow dp = \frac{U}{c} \frac{dt}{\Delta t}$$

Integrate from 0 to  $\Delta t$ ,  $p = \frac{U}{c}$  (Electromagnetic momentum)

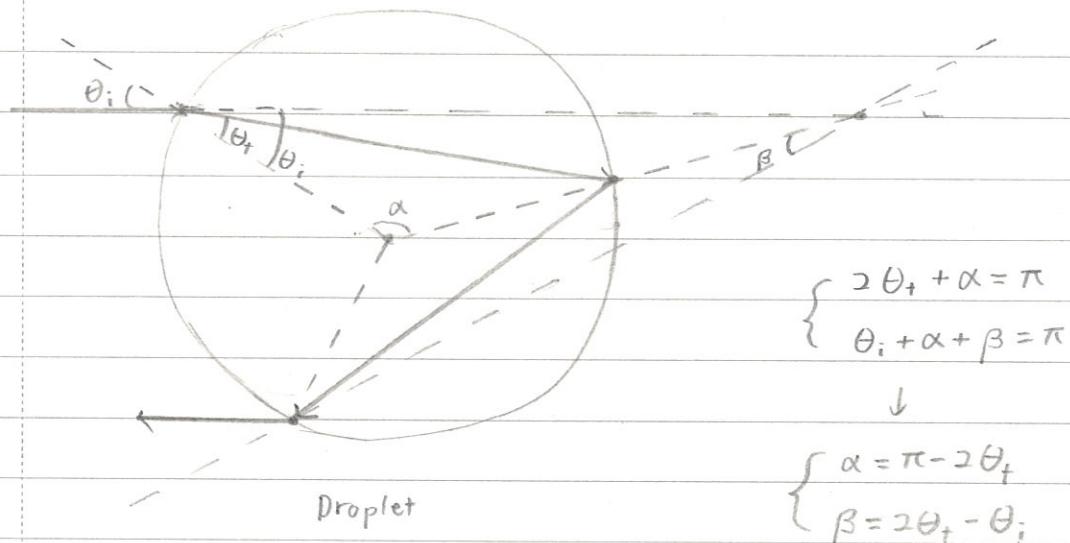
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## week 10 Notes

### \*Dispersion

- Index of refraction is dependent on wavelength in general

### • Rainbows



↳ Snell's Law:  $n \sin \theta_f = \sin \theta_i$

$$\boxed{\beta = 2 \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{\sin \theta_i}{n} \right) - \theta_i}$$

↳ Greatest irradiance is at maximum value of  $\beta$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\beta_{\max}}{d\theta_i} &= 0 = 2 \frac{d}{d\theta_i} \left[ \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{\sin \theta_i}{n} \right) \right] - 1 \\ &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{\sin^2 \theta_i}{n^2}}} \cdot \frac{d}{d\theta_i} \left[ \frac{\sin \theta_i}{n} \right] - 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{2}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{\sin^2 \theta_i}{n^2}}} \cdot \frac{\cos \theta_i}{n} - 1$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{1 - \sin^2 \theta_i}{n^2 - \sin^2 \theta_i}} \rightarrow \sin \theta_i = 0.8604 \text{ or } 59.4^\circ$$

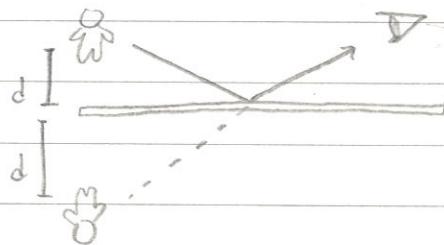
$$\beta_{\max} = 21.3^\circ$$

$$2\beta_{\max} = 42^\circ$$

For a rainbow to be seen

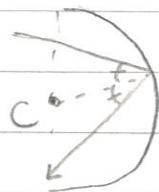
## \*Plane mirrors & spherical mirrors

- Law of reflection: angle of incidence = angle of reflection

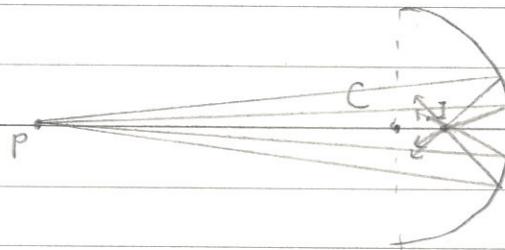


## • Spherical mirrors

- ↳ All rays reflect about the normal, which passes through C



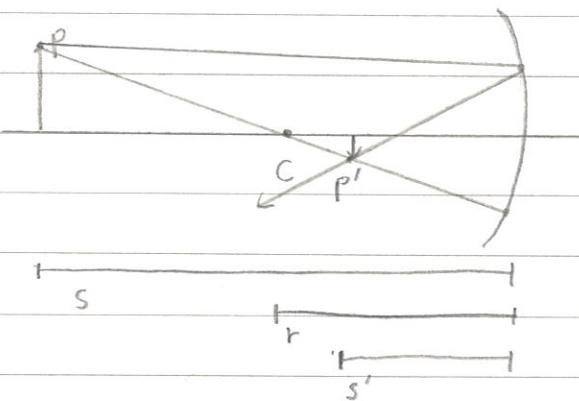
- ↳ Paraxial rays: emanate from object at P but close to central axis



Paraxial rays cross at image point I

But in general, rays will not all cross at same point

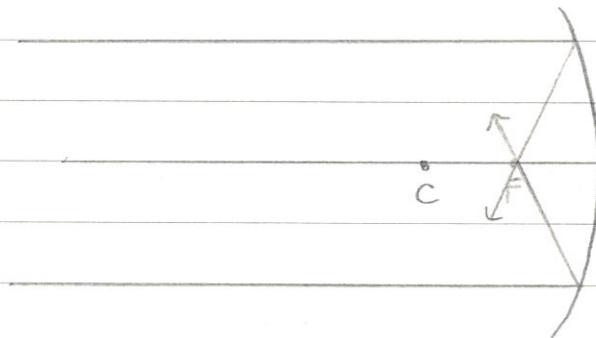
↳ Spherical aberration



$$\frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{s'} = \frac{2}{r}$$

for small angles

- For objects at  $\infty$



All rays pass through  $r/2$

$F$  is focal point

focal length,  $f = r/2$

$$\left[ \frac{1}{S} + \frac{1}{S'} = \frac{1}{f} \right]$$

↳ Lateral magnification:  $m = \frac{y'}{y} = -\frac{s'}{s}$

(Just ratio of heights)

(Negative sign indicates inversion)

- How to draw ray diagrams of mirrors

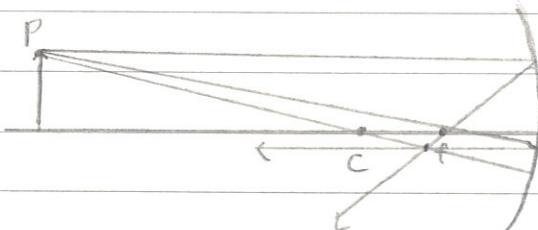
↳ Finding where image is

↳ Draw 3 rays:

Parallel ray: parallel to axis, passes through  $f$

Focal ray: passes through  $f$ , reflects parallel to axis

Radial ray: passes through  $C$



↳ Sign convention

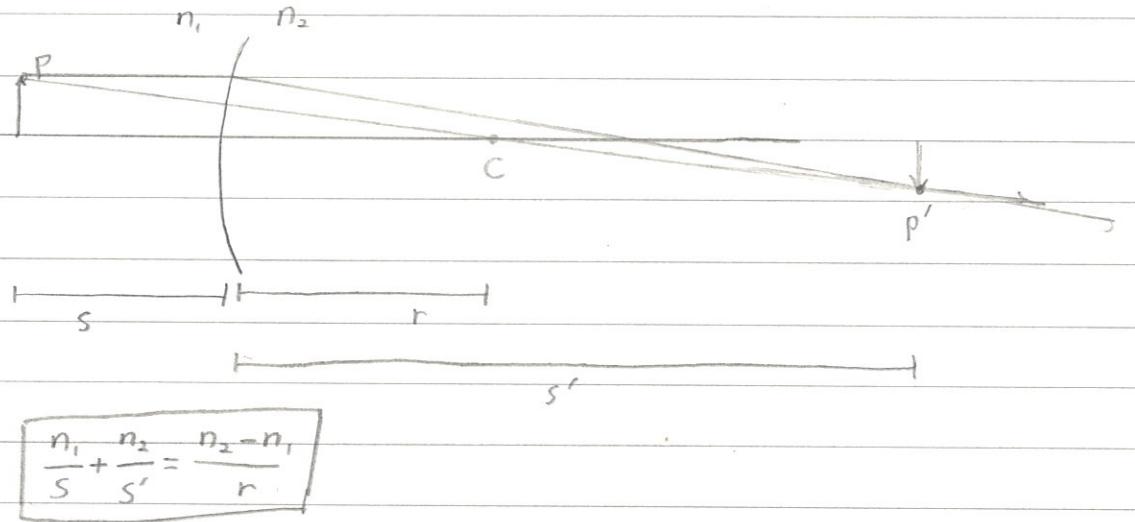
$S$  is  $\oplus$  if obj. is on incident-light side of mirror

$S'$  is  $\oplus$  if image is on reflected-light side of mirror

$f$  is  $\oplus$  if  $C$  is on reflected-light side of mirror

(concave  $\oplus$ , convex  $\ominus$ )

• Images formed by refraction



↳ Sign convention

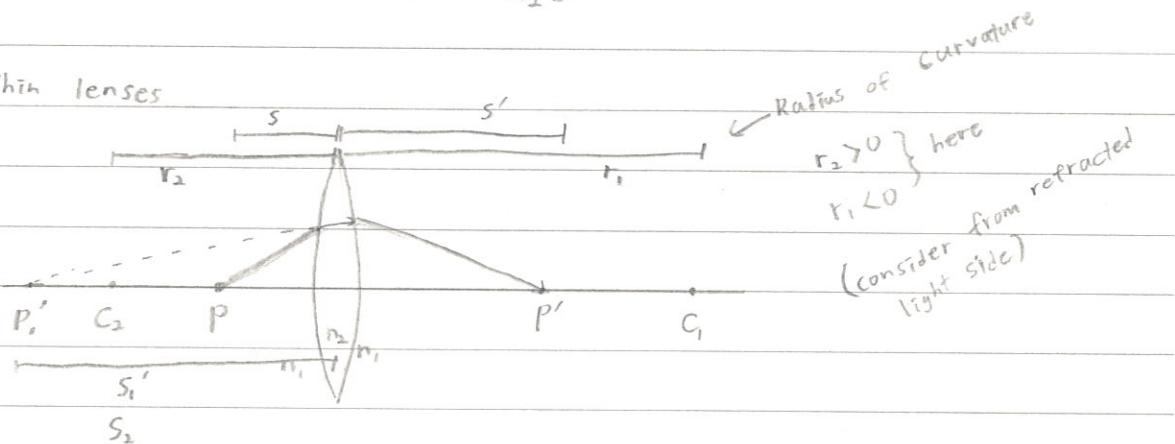
$s$  is  $\oplus$  if obj. is on incident-light side

$s'$  is  $\oplus$  if image is on refracted-light side

$r$  is  $\oplus$  if  $C$  is on refracted-light side

↳ Magnification:  $m = \frac{s'}{s} = -\frac{n_1 s'}{n_2 s}$

• Thin lenses



↳ Lens maker formula:

$$\frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{s'} = \frac{(n_2 - n_1)}{n_1} \left[ \frac{1}{r_1} - \frac{1}{r_2} \right]$$

↳ Thin lens equation:

$$\frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{s'} = \frac{1}{f}$$

↳ Sign convention

$s$  is  $\oplus$  if on light-incident side

$s'$  is  $\oplus$  if on light-refracted side

$f$  depends on  $r_1, r_2$

$r$  is  $\oplus$  if C is on refracted light side

↳ Power of a lens:  $P = \frac{1}{f}$  [measured in diopters,  $m^{-1}$ ]

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week 12 Notes

## \* Polarization

- Direction of oscillation of E-field component of an EM wave

\* Recall:

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E} = \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial z^2} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2}$$

$$\vec{E} = E_0 \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

- For an E-field traveling in z-dir

↳ Right-circularly polarized:  $\hat{i} E_0 \cos(kz - \omega t) + \hat{j} E_0 \sin(kz - \omega t)$

↳ Left-circularly polarized: same with  $(\ominus)^T$

↳ Elliptical polarized:  $\vec{E}(z, t) = \hat{i} E_{ox} \cos(kz - \omega t) + \hat{j} E_{oy} \cos(kz - \omega t + \epsilon)$

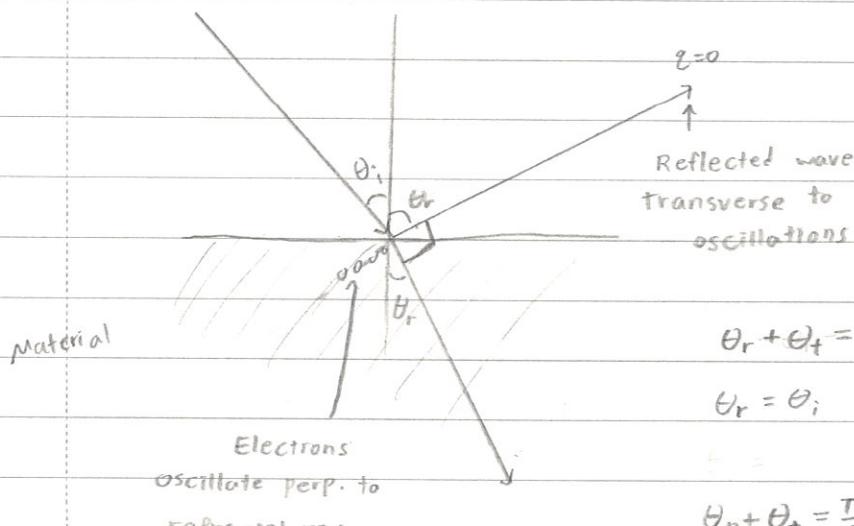
$E_{ox} \neq E_{oy}$

$$\epsilon \neq 0, \pm \frac{\pi}{2}, \pi$$

↳ Unpolarized light: randomly fluctuating polarization

$$\vec{E}(z, t) = \hat{i} E_0 \cos(kz - \omega t + \epsilon_x) + \hat{j} E_0 \cos(kz - \omega t + \epsilon_y)$$

Randomly  
oscillating



$$\theta_r + \theta_t = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\theta_r = \theta_i \quad (\text{Law of reflection})$$

$$\theta_p + \theta_t = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad (\text{Brewster's angle})$$

$$\tan(\theta_p) = \frac{n_t}{n_i} \quad (\text{Brewster's Law})$$

Reflected light is maximally polarized  $\perp$  to plane of incidence

- Polarized filters

↳ Malus's Law:  $I(\theta) = I_0 \cos^2 \theta$

Irradiance after passing through

\* Bonus: mathematical representation of polarization

- use  $e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta}}{2}, \quad \sin \theta = \frac{e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta}}{2i}$$

- Define  $\vec{E}_H(z,t) = \hat{i} E_0 e^{i(kz-\omega t)}, \quad \vec{E}_V(z,t) = \hat{j} E_0 e^{i(kz-\omega t)}$

- Then e.g. for right & left circularly polarized

$$\vec{E}_R(z,t) = \frac{E_0}{\sqrt{2}} (\hat{i} e^{i(kz-\omega t)} + \hat{j} e^{i(kz-\omega t)})$$

$$\vec{E}_L(z,t) = \frac{E_0}{\sqrt{2}} (\hat{i} e^{i(kz-\omega t)} - \hat{j} e^{i(kz-\omega t)})$$

- Convert back by taking real component:  $\vec{E}(z,t) = \text{Re}(\vec{E}(z,t))$

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## week 13 Notes

### \*Coherent Light (independent light sources)

- Consider 2 harmonic solns to wave eqn.

$$E_1(x,t) = E_{01} \sin(\omega_1 t - k_1 x - \epsilon_1)$$

$$E_2(x,t) = E_{02} \sin(\omega_2 t - k_2 x - \epsilon_2)$$

↳ Monochromatic if  $\omega_1 = \omega_2$

↳ Equal amplitude if  $E_{01} = E_{02}$

↳ phase difference =  $\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2$

↳ Coherent if phase difference is const. in time

- Linear Superposition

$$E_3(x,t) = E_1(x,t) + E_2(x,t)$$

$$= 2E_0 \cos\left(\frac{k(x_1 - x_2) + (\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2)}{2}\right) \sin\left(\omega t - \frac{k(x_1 + x_2)}{2} - \frac{(\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2)}{2}\right)$$

Amplitude

$$= 2\tilde{E}_0 \sin(\omega t - kx - \tilde{\epsilon}) , \quad \tilde{E}_0 = 2E_0 \cos\left(\frac{\delta}{2}\right)$$

↳ Same frequency  $\omega$ , different amplitude & phase

↳ when  $\delta = 0, \pm 2\pi, \pm 4\pi \dots$  max amplitude

$= \pm \pi, \pm 3\pi, \pm 5\pi \dots$  min amplitude

$$(\text{phase diff.}) \quad \delta \equiv (kx_1 + \epsilon_1) - (kx_2 + \epsilon_2) = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}(x_1 - x_2) + (\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2)$$

If waves are in phase at emitters,

$$\delta = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}(x_1 - x_2) = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} n(x_1 - x_2)$$

$$(\text{optical path diff.}) \quad (x_1 - x_2) \equiv \Delta r$$

Atoms radiate in ~10ns pulses

Coherence time  $\tau \sim 10\text{ns}$  (time over which phase relationship is const.)

Coherence length  $\lambda_c = c\tau$

## \* Diffraction patterns

### • Double slit interference

$$\hookrightarrow d \sin \theta = m\lambda \quad \text{interference at maximum}$$

$$d \sin \theta = (m - \frac{1}{2})\lambda \quad \text{interference at minimum}$$

$$m = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\delta = k d \sin \theta = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} d \sin \theta$$

$$\hookrightarrow \delta = \pi, 3\pi, 5\pi, \dots \text{ min}$$

$$-2\pi, 0, 4\pi, \dots \text{ max}$$

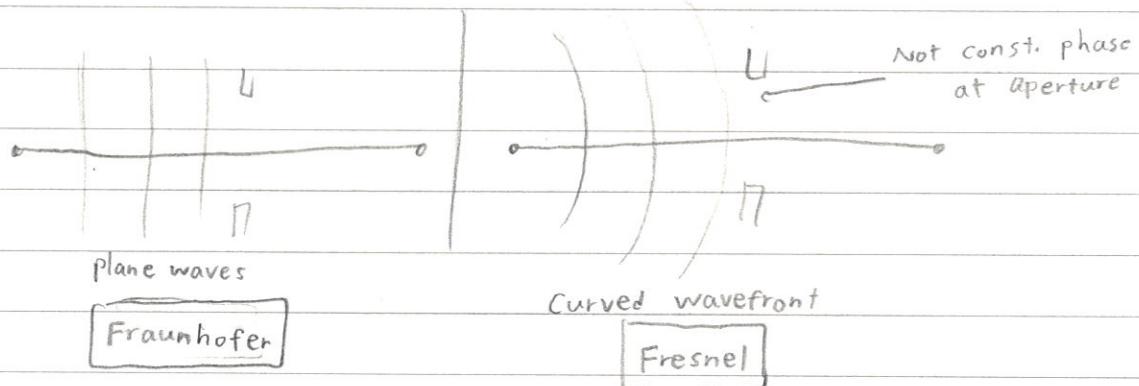
# Light & Heat

## week 15 Notes

### \*Fresnel Diffraction

- Source & observer are close to aperture
- Fraunhofer diffraction: source & observer are far from aperture

• Fresnel number:  $F = \frac{a^2}{R\lambda}$   $\begin{cases} F \ll 1; \text{Fraunhofer} \\ F \geq 1, \text{ Fresnel} \end{cases}$



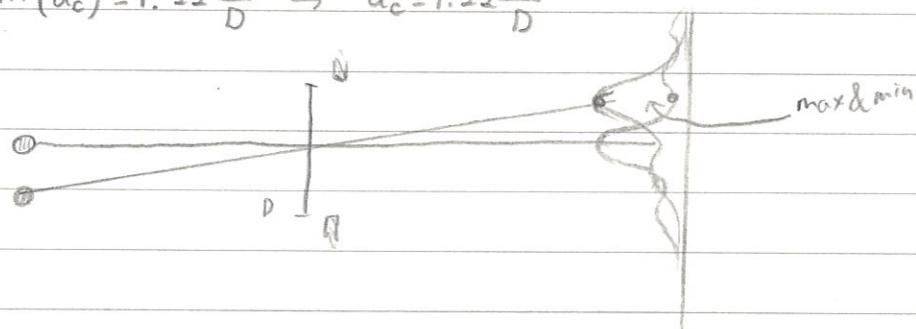
- Circular aperture

↳ Fraunhofer zone: irradiance described by Airy function

- Rayleigh's criterion for resolution

↳ when max. of one falls on first diffraction min. of other

$$\sin(\alpha_c) = 1.22 \frac{\lambda}{D} \rightarrow \alpha_c = 1.22 \frac{\lambda}{D}$$



↳ when 2 far away sources can be resolved

• Sources of phase differences

↳ Emitted from source with different phase

↳ Travel different dist. to point:  $\delta = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \Delta r$

↳ Pass through different materials:  $\delta = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_0} (n_1 - n_2) x$

↳

↳ Phase change under reflection

Recall (string)

If string end fixed  $\rightarrow$  ref.  
wave flipped

If string end free  $\rightarrow$  ref.  
wave same

Now (Light)

If reflecting off denser medium  
 $\rightarrow$  flipped

If reflecting off less dense  
medium  $\rightarrow$  not flipped

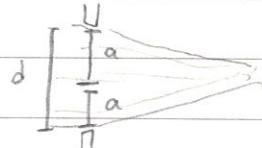
$$\textcircled{*} \text{ Single slit diffraction: } I = \frac{1}{2} \left[ E_o(r) \frac{\sin \frac{N\delta}{2}}{\sin \frac{\delta}{2}} \right]^2$$

↳ Messy derivation

↳  $N=2$  for double slit:  $I = 4I_o \cos^2 \frac{\delta}{2}$

$$\textcircled{*} N=1: I = \frac{E_o^2(r)}{2} = I_o$$

$$\textcircled{*} I = I(0) \left[ \frac{\sin \beta}{\beta} \right]^2, \quad \beta = a \sin \theta$$



$$\textcircled{*} \text{ Use phase diff. } \delta = kd \sin \theta = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} d \sin \theta$$

Incorporate single slit diffraction into double slit pattern:

$$I = 4I_o \left[ \frac{\sin \beta}{\beta} \right]^2 \cos^2 \frac{\delta}{2}$$

$\textcircled{*}$  Diffraction: slit is wider, only one now ("aperture")

↳ Bending of waves around corners