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## Geometrical optics

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### Snell's law

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

### Refraction plane surfaces

$$s' = s \frac{n_2}{n_1}$$

### Refraction spherical surfaces

$$\frac{n_1}{s} + \frac{n_2}{s'} = \frac{n_2 - n_1}{R}$$

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

### Thin lens

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{f} &= \frac{n_2 - n_1}{n_1} \left( \frac{1}{R_1} - \frac{1}{R_2} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{s'}\end{aligned}$$

## Power

$$\begin{aligned}P &= \frac{1}{f} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{f_i}\end{aligned}$$

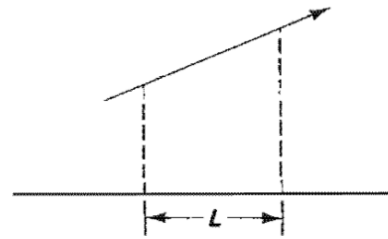
## Matrix methods

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## Ray-transfer matrices

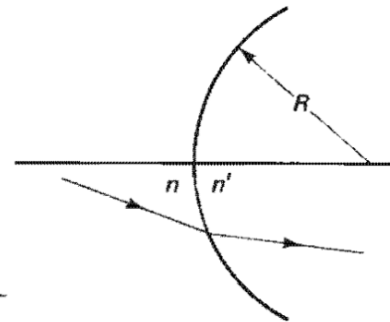
Translation matrix:

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & L \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Refraction matrix,  
spherical interface:

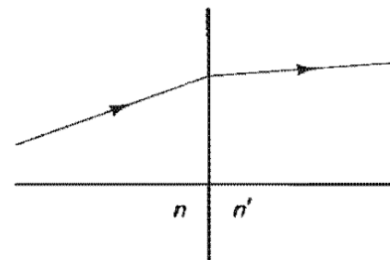
$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{n - n'}{Rn'} & \frac{n}{n'} \end{bmatrix}$$



(+R) : convex  
(-R) : concave

Refraction matrix,  
plane interface:

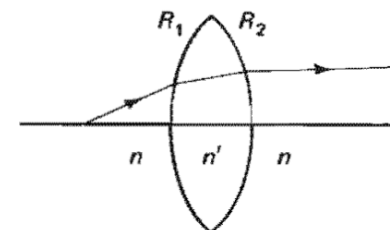
$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{n}{n'} \end{bmatrix}$$



Thin-lens matrix:

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{f} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

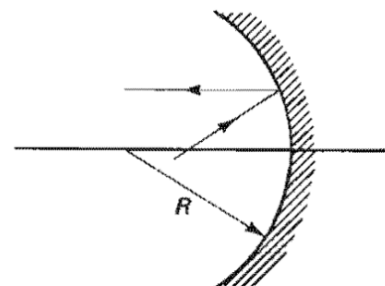
$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{n' - n}{n} \left( \frac{1}{R_1} - \frac{1}{R_2} \right)$$



(+f) : convex  
(-f) : concave

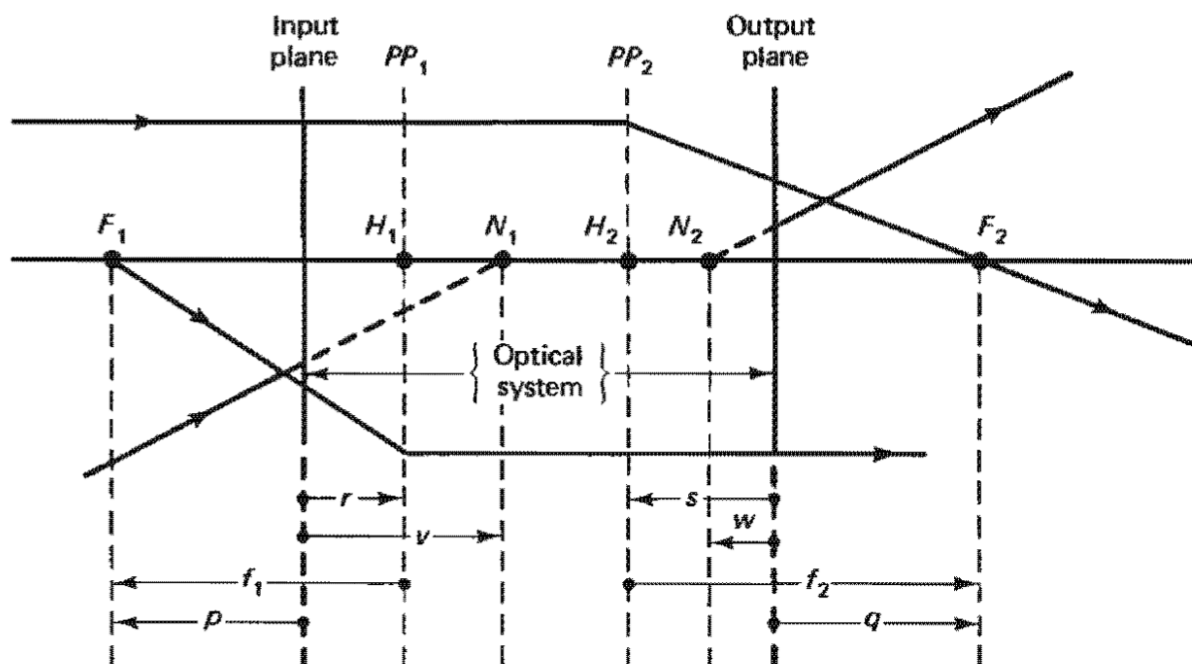
Spherical mirror  
matrix:

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{2}{R} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



(+R) : convex  
(-R) : concave

## Cardinal points



$$p = \frac{D}{C}$$

$$q = -\frac{A}{C}$$

$$r = \frac{D - n_0/n_f}{C}$$

$$s = \frac{1 - A}{C}$$

$$v = \frac{D - 1}{C}$$

$$w = \frac{n_0/n_f - A}{C}$$

$$f_1 = p - r = \frac{n_0/n_f}{C}$$

$$f_2 = q - s = -\frac{1}{C}$$

$F_1$

$F_2$

$H_1$

$H_2$

$N_1$

$N_2$

Located relative to  
input (1) and output  
(2) reference planes

$F_1$

$F_2$

Located relative to  
principal planes

$$f_1 = \frac{-y_f}{\alpha_0} = \frac{-(Ay_0 + B\alpha_0)}{\alpha_0} = \frac{AD}{C} - B$$

$$f_1 = \frac{AD - BC}{C} = \frac{\text{Det}(M)}{C} = \left(\frac{n_0}{n_f}\right) \frac{1}{C} \quad (4-25)$$

## Optical instrumentation (ork)

### Camera

Circular opening with diameter  $D$ , image radius  $d$ , and focal length  $f$ :

$$E_e \propto \frac{D^2}{d^2}$$

$$\propto \frac{1}{A^2}, \quad A \equiv \frac{f}{D} \text{ relative opening}$$

### Magnifying glass

Near point of normal eye is 25 cm.

Angular magnification at infinity:

$$M = \frac{25}{f}$$

At near point:

$$M = \frac{25}{f} + 1$$

Two lenses at a distance  $L$  from each other:

$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{f_1} + \frac{1}{f_2} - \frac{L}{f_1 f_2}$$

If the system is independent of the refracting index:

$$L = \frac{1}{2}(f_1 + f_2)$$

### Microscopes

Objective and eyepiece focal lengths  $f_o$  and  $f_e$ , with a distance  $d$  between the lenses.

$$M = 25 \frac{f_e + f_o - d}{f_o f_e}$$

## Telescopes

Exit and objective diameter  $D_{ex}$  and  $D_{obj}$

$$\begin{aligned} M &= -\frac{f_o}{f_e} \\ &= \frac{D_{obj}}{D_{ex}} \end{aligned}$$

## ¿Holography?

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## Wave optics

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$$E = cB$$

$$u_E = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon E^2$$

$$u_B = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\mu} B^2$$

$$u_E = E_B$$

$$u = u_E + u_B = \epsilon c E B$$

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

$$E_e = \langle \|\vec{S}\| \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon c^2 E_0 B_0$$

## Fresnell Equations

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$$\begin{aligned} r_{TE} &= \frac{\cos \theta - n \cos \theta_t}{\cos \theta + n \cos \theta_t} & t_{TE} &= 1 + r_{TE} \\ &= \frac{\cos \theta - \sqrt{n^2 - \sin^2 \theta}}{\cos \theta + \sqrt{n^2 - \sin^2 \theta}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} r_{TM} &= \frac{\cos \theta_t - n \cos \theta}{\cos \theta_t + n \cos \theta} & n t_{TM} &= 1 - r_{TM} \\ &= -\frac{n^2 \cos \theta - \sqrt{n^2 - \sin^2 \theta}}{n^2 \cos \theta + \sqrt{n^2 - \sin^2 \theta}} \end{aligned}$$

$$r_{TM} = 0 \Rightarrow \theta = \theta_p = \arctan n$$

### External reflection

$$n = \frac{n_2}{n_1} > 1$$

$$\phi_{TE} = \pi \quad \phi_{TM} = -\pi, \quad \theta < \theta_p \quad \phi_{TM} = 0, \quad \theta > \theta_p$$

### Internal reflection

$$\theta_c = \arcsin n$$

$$\theta > \theta_c :$$

$$\tan \frac{\phi_{TE}}{2} = -\frac{\sqrt{\sin^2 \theta - n^2}}{\cos \theta}$$

$$\tan \frac{\phi_{TM}}{2} = -\frac{\sqrt{\sin^2 \theta - n^2}}{n^2 \cos \theta}$$

$$\theta \in (\theta'_p, \theta_c) :$$

$$\phi_{TM} = \pi$$

Otherwise:

$$\phi = 0$$

### Reflectance and Transmittance

$$R = \frac{P_r}{P_i} = r^2 = \frac{E_r^2}{E^2} \quad T = \frac{P_t}{P_i} = n \frac{\cos \theta_t}{\cos \theta} t^2 \quad T + R = 1$$

### Interference

$$I = \epsilon_0 c \langle \vec{E}^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 c E_0^2$$

$$\vec{E}_i = \vec{E}_{0i} \cos(ks_i - \omega t + \phi_i)$$

$$\vec{E}_p = \vec{E}_1 + \vec{E}_2$$

$$I = I_1 + I_2 + 2\sqrt{I_1 I_2} \langle \cos \delta \rangle, \quad \delta = k(s_2 - s_1) + \phi_2 - \phi_1$$

### Fringe contrast/visibility

$$\frac{I_{\max} - I_{\min}}{I_{\max} + I_{\min}}$$



## Young's double slit

Point source  $\Rightarrow$  same phase, propagation, etc.

$$I = 4I_0 \cos^2 \frac{\delta}{2}$$

**Constructive:**

$$\Delta s = s_2 - s_1 = m\lambda \approx a \sin \theta$$

**Destructive:**

$$\Delta s = \left(\frac{1}{2} + m\right)\lambda \approx a \sin \theta$$

## Resultant waves

$$E_i = E_{0i} \cos(\alpha_i - \omega t)$$

$$E_r = \sum_i E_i = E_0 \cos(\alpha - \omega t),$$

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{\sum_i E_{0i} \sin \alpha_i}{\sum_i E_{0i} \cos \alpha_i}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E_0^2 &= \left( \sum_i E_{0i} \sin \alpha_i \right)^2 + \left( \sum_i E_{0i} \cos \alpha_i \right)^2 \\ &= \sum_i E_{0i}^2 + 2 \sum_i \sum_{j>i} E_{0i} E_{0j} \cos(\alpha_i - \alpha_j) \end{aligned}$$

## Random sources

$N$  randomly phased sources of equal amplitude,  $N$  grows large:

$$E_0^2 = \sum_{i=1}^N E_{0i}^2 = N E_{01}^2$$

## Coherent sources

$N$  coherent sources:

$$E_0^2 = \sum_{i=1}^N E_{0i}^2 + 2 \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j>i}^N E_{0i} E_{0j}$$

$N$  coherent sources of equal amplitude:

$$E_0^2 = N^2 E_{01}^2$$

## Standing waves

$$E_1 = E_0 \sin(\omega t + kx)$$

$$E_2 = E_0 \sin(\omega t - kx - \phi_r)$$

$$\begin{aligned} E_R &= E_1 + E_2 \\ &= 2E_0 \cos\left(kx + \frac{\phi}{2}\right) \sin\left(\omega t - \frac{\phi_R}{2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Beat frequency } \omega_b = 2 \omega_g$$

## Beats

$$E_i = E_0 \cos(k_i x - \omega_i t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} E_R &= E_1 + E_2 \\ &= 2E_0 \cos(k_p x + \omega_p t) \cos(k_g x - \omega_g t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\omega_p = \frac{\omega_1 + \omega_2}{2}, \quad k_p = \frac{k_1 + k_2}{2}$$

$$\omega_g = \frac{\omega_1 - \omega_2}{2}, \quad k_g = \frac{k_1 - k_2}{2}$$

## Dispersion

$$\begin{aligned} v_p &= \frac{c}{n} \\ v_g &= \frac{d\omega}{dk} = v_p \left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{n} \frac{dn}{d\lambda}\right) \\ &= v_p - \lambda \frac{dv_p}{d\lambda} \\ &= v_p \left(1 - \frac{\omega}{n} \frac{dn}{d\omega}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Medium of normal dispersion} \Rightarrow \frac{dn}{d\lambda} < 0$$

## Michelson interferometer

$$2 d \cos \theta = m \lambda$$

Mirror translation  $\Delta d$  and  $\Delta m$  fringes passing a point:

$$\Delta m = \frac{2\Delta d}{\lambda}$$

Center dark spot:

$$m_{max} = \frac{2d}{\lambda}$$

## Dielectric films

Equal internal and external reflection:

$$\frac{n_f}{n_0} = \frac{n_s}{n_f} \Rightarrow n_f = \sqrt{n_0 n_s}$$

## Fiber optics

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{E} &= \vec{E}(x)e^{\beta z - \omega t} \\ \vec{B} &= \vec{B}(x)e^{\beta z - \omega t}\end{aligned}$$

Satisfying maxwell's equations:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{TE:} \quad & \frac{\partial^2 E_y}{\partial x^2}(x) = [\beta^2 - k^2(x)] E_y(x) \\ \text{TM:} \quad & \frac{\partial^2 B_y}{\partial x^2}(x) = [\beta^2 - k^2(x)] B_y(x)\end{aligned}$$

Implies relative refractive index  $N$  satisfying

$$\begin{aligned}\text{TE:} \quad & \frac{\omega b}{c} \sqrt{n_1^2 - N^2} = 2 \arctan \sqrt{\frac{N^2 - n_2^2}{n_1^2 - N^2}} + m\pi \\ \text{TM:} \quad & \frac{\omega b}{c} \sqrt{n_1^2 - N^2} = 2 \arctan \left( \frac{n_1^2}{n_2^2} \sqrt{\frac{N^2 - n_2^2}{n_1^2 - N^2}} \right) + m\pi\end{aligned}$$

for  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

## Evanescent Waves

Light penetration of y into medium when  $\theta > \theta_c$ :

$$\begin{aligned}E_t &= E_{0t} \exp\left(ik_t \frac{\sin \theta}{n}\right) \exp(-i\omega t) \exp(-\alpha y) \\ \alpha &\equiv k_t \sqrt{\frac{\sin^2 \theta}{n^2} - 1}\end{aligned}$$

## Coherence

## Temporal/longitudinal coherence length

$$l_c = \frac{2\pi c}{\Delta f}$$

Coherent time and frequency bandwidth:

$$\tau_c = \frac{l_c}{c}, \quad \Delta f = \frac{1}{\tau_c}$$

Uniform wavelength distribution around  $\lambda$  with linewidth  $\Delta\lambda$ :

$$l_c = \frac{\lambda^2}{\Delta\lambda}$$

## Spatial coherence

Rectangular source of width  $s$  and angular width  $\phi$ :

$$l_s = \frac{r\lambda}{s} \approx \frac{\lambda}{\phi}$$

Circular source of diameter  $s$ :

$$l_s = 1.22 \frac{r\lambda}{s} \approx 1.22 \frac{\lambda}{\phi}$$

## Visibility

The intensity at a point  $P$

$$I_P = I_{1P} + I_{2P} + 2\sqrt{I_{1P}I_{2P}}\Re(\gamma(\tau))$$

with the normalized correlation function

$$\gamma(\tau) = \left(1 - \frac{\tau}{\tau_0}\right)e^{i\omega\tau}$$

With equal beams, we get

Complete incoherence	$\tau \rightarrow \tau_0$	$V = 0$
Complete coherence	$\tau = 0$	$V = 1$
Partial coherence	$0 < \tau < \tau_0$	$V =  \gamma(\tau) $

## Diffraction

### Fraunhofer diffraction

Single rectangular slit, **length much larger than width**:

$$dE_p = \frac{E_L ds}{r} e^{i(kr - \omega t)} \approx \frac{E_L ds}{r_0} e^{i(kr_0 - \omega t)} e^{ik\Delta r}, \quad \Delta r = s \sin \theta$$

$$E_p = \frac{E_L b}{r_0} \text{sinc} \beta e^{i(kr_0 - \omega t)}, \quad \beta = \frac{1}{2} k b \sin \theta$$

$$I = I_0 \text{sinc}^2 \beta, \quad I_0 = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 c \left( \frac{E_L b}{r_0} \right)^2$$

Many slits:

$$I = I_0 \text{sinc}^2 \beta \frac{\sin^2(N\alpha)}{\sin^2 \alpha}$$

Rectangular slit:

$$I = I_0 \text{sinc}^2 \beta \text{sinc}^2 \alpha$$

Circular slit

$$I = I_0 \left( \frac{2J_1(\gamma)}{\gamma} \right)^2, \quad \gamma = \frac{1}{2} k D \sin \theta$$

$$J_1(\gamma) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^l}{2^{l+1} l! (l+1)!} \gamma^{2l+1}$$

[Zeros of Bessel functions and their derivatives](#)

## Beam spreading

Width  $W$  of central maximum at a distance  $L$ :

$$W = L \Delta \theta = \frac{2L\lambda}{b}$$

## Resolution

(Circular aperture)

Rayleigh's criterion:

$$(\Delta \theta)_{\min} = \frac{1.22\lambda}{D}$$

## Diffraction grating

Grating width  $a$

Optical path difference:

$$\Delta d = a(\sin \theta_i + \sin \theta_m)$$