

## 1 Snoek's limit

$$(\mu'_0 - 1)f_0 = \frac{2}{3}\gamma 4\pi M_s$$

where  $4\pi M_s$  is the saturation magnetization and  $\gamma \approx 3 \text{ MHz/Oe}$ .

## 2 Reflectometry

### 2.1 This

$$R(q_z) = R_F \left| \frac{1}{\rho_S} \int \frac{d\rho}{dz} \Big|_z e^{-iq_z z} dz \right|^2$$

### 2.2 That

The propagation of light as a magneto-electric wave of wave vector  $\mathbf{k}$  is given by,

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \mathbf{E}_0 e^{i(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r} - \omega t)} \quad \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{\hat{\mathbf{k}} \times \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, t)}{v}$$

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \mathbf{E}_0 e^{i(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r} - \omega t)} \quad \omega \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, t)$$

In each layer  $j$ , there is a wave incident (I) and a reflected (R) wave,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}_j(\mathbf{r}, t) &= \left[ \mathbf{E}_{0j}^{(I)} \exp(i\mathbf{k}_j^{(I)} \cdot \mathbf{r}) + \mathbf{E}_{0j}^{(R)} \exp(i\mathbf{k}_j^{(R)} \cdot \mathbf{r}) \right] e^{-i\omega t} \\ \omega \mathbf{B}_j(\mathbf{r}, t) &= \left[ \mathbf{k}_j^{(I)} \times \mathbf{E}_{0j}^{(I)} \exp(i\mathbf{k}_j^{(I)} \cdot \mathbf{r}) + \mathbf{k}_j^{(R)} \times \mathbf{E}_{0j}^{(R)} \exp(i\mathbf{k}_j^{(R)} \cdot \mathbf{r}) \right] e^{-i\omega t} \end{aligned}$$

Wave vector and group speed are related,

$$k_j^{(I,R)} v_j = \omega \quad k_j^{(I,R)} = |\mathbf{k}_j^{(I,R)}|$$

$$n_j v_j = c \quad \frac{n_j}{k_j^{(I,R)}} = \frac{c}{\omega} = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi}$$

The interface between layer  $j - 1$  and  $j$  is define as  $\mathbf{r}_j$ .

$$\mathbf{r}_j = x\hat{\mathbf{x}} + y\hat{\mathbf{y}} + z_j\hat{\mathbf{z}}$$

The electric field component at the interface need to respect the following equation

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{E}_{j-1}(\mathbf{r}_j, t))_{x,y} &= (\mathbf{E}_j(\mathbf{r}_j, t))_{x,y} \\ \epsilon_{j-1}(\mathbf{E}_{j-1}(\mathbf{r}_j, t))_z &= \epsilon_j(\mathbf{E}_j(\mathbf{r}_j, t))_z \end{aligned}$$

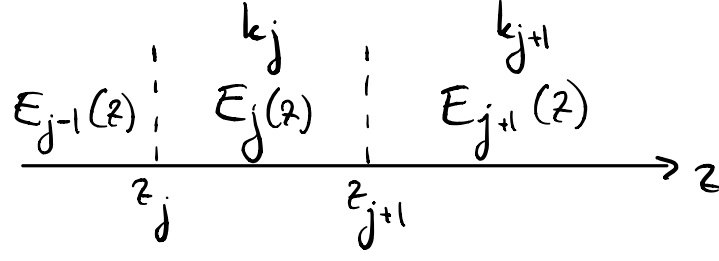


FIGURE 1 – Caption

while the magnetic field components,

$$\frac{1}{\mu_{j-1}} (\mathbf{B}_{j-1}(\mathbf{r}_j, t))_{x,y} = \frac{1}{\mu_j} (\mathbf{B}_j(\mathbf{r}_j, t))_{x,y}$$

$$(\mathbf{B}_{j-1}(\mathbf{r}_j, t))_z = (\mathbf{B}_j(\mathbf{r}_j, t))_z$$

Note that, at the frequency of X rays, the relative magnetic permeability of matter is unity up to many orders of magnitude, (Snoek's limit)

$$\mu_j \sim \mu_0 \qquad \frac{\Delta\mu}{\mu_0} \ll \frac{\Delta\epsilon}{\epsilon_0}$$

As an example, the continuity of the  $x$  component of the electric field gives the following equation,

$$E_{0z,j-1}^{(I)} \exp(i\mathbf{k}_{j-1}^{(I)} \cdot \mathbf{r}) + E_{0z,j-1}^{(R)} \exp(i\mathbf{k}_{j-1}^{(R)} \cdot \mathbf{r}) = E_{0z,j}^{(I)} \exp(i\mathbf{k}_j^{(I)} \cdot \mathbf{r}) + E_{0z,j}^{(R)} \exp(i\mathbf{k}_j^{(R)} \cdot \mathbf{r})$$

The  $x$  and  $y$  dependance must be the same for each term of this equation, meaning that, in each layer we must have

$$k_{x,j} = k_{x,j}^{(I)} = k_{x,j}^{(R)} \qquad k_{y,j} = k_{y,j}^{(I)} = k_{y,j}^{(R)}$$

and therefore

$$k_{z,j} = k_{z,j}^{(I)} = -k_{z,j}^{(R)}.$$

Between planes

$$k_{x,j-1} = k_{x,j} \qquad k_{y,j-1} = k_{y,j}$$

If we define  $\theta_j$  as the angle between the interface and  $\mathbf{k}_j$ , we get the following relations (Snell's law).

$$k_{j-1} \cos \theta_{j-1} = k_j \cos \theta_j \qquad \frac{\cos \theta_j}{\cos \theta_{j-1}} = \frac{k_{j-1}}{k_j} = \frac{n_{j-1}}{n_j} = \left( \frac{\epsilon_{j-1} \mu_{j-1}}{\epsilon_j \mu_j} \right)^{1/2} \sim \left( \frac{\epsilon_{j-1}}{\epsilon_j} \right)^{1/2}$$

If the first incident beam is  $k_0$  at an angle  $\theta_0$ , this means,

$$k_0 \cos \theta_0 = k_j \cos \theta_j \qquad \frac{k_0}{n_0} = \frac{k_j}{n_j}$$

We will choose the direction of propagation in order to have  $k_y = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
k_{z,j} &= k_j \sin \theta_j \\
&= k_0 n_j (1 - \cos^2 \theta_j)^{1/2} \\
&= k_0 (n_j^2 - n_j^2 \cos^2 \theta_j)^{1/2} \\
&= k_0 (n_j^2 - n_0^2 \cos^2 \theta_0)^{1/2}
\end{aligned}$$

### 2.3 In plane polarisation

If the polarization of the electric field is in the propagation plane ( $xz$ ), the components of the electric field for the incident and reflected waves are,

$$\begin{aligned}
E_{0x,j}^{(I,P)} &= E_{0,j}^{(I,P)} \sin \theta_j & E_{0x,j}^{(R,P)} &= -E_{0,j}^{(R,P)} \sin \theta_j \\
E_{0y,j}^{(I,P)} &= 0 & E_{0y,j}^{(R,P)} &= 0 \\
E_{0z,j}^{(I,P)} &= E_{0,j}^{(I,P)} \cos \theta_j & E_{0z,j}^{(R,P)} &= E_{0,j}^{(R,P)} \cos \theta_j
\end{aligned}$$

while the components of the magnetic field are,

$$\begin{aligned}
B_{0x,j}^{(I,P)} &= 0 & B_{0x,j}^{(R,P)} &= 0 \\
\omega B_{0y,j}^{(I,P)} &= k_j^{(I,P)} E_{0,j}^{(I,P)} & \omega B_{0y,j}^{(R,P)} &= k_j^{(R,P)} E_{0,j}^{(R,P)} \\
B_{0z,j}^{(I,P)} &= 0 & B_{0z,j}^{(R,P)} &= 0
\end{aligned}$$

The relevant equations are

$$\begin{aligned}
\sin \theta_{j-1} \left( E_{0,j-1}^{(I,P)} e^{ik_{z,j-1}z_j} - E_{0,j-1}^{(R,P)} e^{-ik_{z,j-1}z_j} \right) &= \sin \theta_j \left( E_{0,j}^{(I,P)} e^{ik_{z,j}z_j} - E_{0,j}^{(R,P)} e^{-ik_{z,j}z_j} \right) \\
\epsilon_{j-1} \cos \theta_{j-1} \left( E_{0,j-1}^{(I,P)} e^{ik_{z,j-1}z_j} + E_{0,j-1}^{(R,P)} e^{-ik_{z,j-1}z_j} \right) &= \epsilon_j \cos \theta_j \left( E_{0,j}^{(I,P)} e^{ik_{z,j}z_j} + E_{0,j}^{(R,P)} e^{-ik_{z,j}z_j} \right) \\
k_{j-1} \left( E_{0,j-1}^{(I,P)} e^{ik_{z,j-1}z_j} + E_{0,j-1}^{(R,P)} e^{-ik_{z,j-1}z_j} \right) &= k_j \left( E_{0,j}^{(I,P)} e^{ik_{z,j}z_j} + E_{0,j}^{(R,P)} e^{-ik_{z,j}z_j} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

Since,

$$\frac{\epsilon_{j-1} \cos \theta_{j-1}}{\epsilon_j \cos \theta_j} = \frac{k_{j-1}}{k_j} \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{\cos \theta_{j-1} k_j}{\cos \theta_j k_{j-1}} = \frac{\epsilon_j}{\epsilon_{j-1}}$$

the third equation is equivalent to the second one.

### 2.4 Out of plane polarisation

If the polarization of the electric field is out of the propagation plane ( $y$ ), the components of the electric field for the incident and reflected waves are,

$$\begin{aligned}
E_{0x,j}^{(I,S)} &= 0 & E_{0x,j}^{(R,S)} &= 0 \\
E_{0y,j}^{(I,S)} &= E_{0,j}^{(I,S)} & E_{0y,j}^{(R,S)} &= E_{0,j}^{(R,S)} \\
E_{0z,j}^{(I,S)} &= 0 & E_{0z,j}^{(R,S)} &= 0
\end{aligned}$$

while the components of the magnetic field are,

$$\begin{aligned}\omega B_{0x,j}^{(I,s)} &= k_j E_{0,j}^{(I,s)} \sin \theta_j & \omega B_{0x,j}^{(R,s)} &= -k_j E_{0,j}^{(R,s)} \sin \theta_j \\ B_{0y,j}^{(I,s)} &= 0 & B_{0y,j}^{(R,s)} &= 0 \\ \omega B_{0z,j}^{(I,s)} &= k_j E_{0,j}^{(I,s)} \cos \theta_j & \omega B_{0z,j}^{(R,s)} &= k_j E_{0,j}^{(R,s)} \cos \theta_j\end{aligned}$$

The relevant equations are then,

$$\begin{aligned}E_{0,j-1}^{(I,s)} e^{ik_{z,j-1}z_j} + E_{0,j-1}^{(R,s)} e^{-ik_{z,j-1}z_j} &= E_{0,j}^{(I,s)} e^{ik_{z,j}z_j} + E_{0,j}^{(R,s)} e^{-ik_{z,j}z_j} \\ k_{j-1} \sin \theta_{j-1} \left( E_{0,j-1}^{(I,s)} e^{ik_{z,j-1}z_j} - E_{0,j-1}^{(R,s)} e^{-ik_{z,j-1}z_j} \right) &= k_j \sin \theta_j \left( E_{0,j}^{(I,s)} e^{ik_{z,j}z_j} - E_{0,j}^{(R,s)} e^{-ik_{z,j}z_j} \right) \\ k_{j-1} \cos \theta_{j-1} \left( E_{0,j-1}^{(I,s)} e^{ik_{z,j-1}z_j} + E_{0,j-1}^{(R,s)} e^{-ik_{z,j-1}z_j} \right) &= k_j \cos \theta_j \left( E_{0,j}^{(I,s)} e^{ik_{z,j}z_j} + E_{0,j}^{(R,s)} e^{-ik_{z,j}z_j} \right)\end{aligned}$$

First and third equations are equivalent because,

$$\frac{k_{j-1} \cos \theta_{j-1}}{k_j \cos \theta_j} = 1$$

## 2.5 Sets of equations

$$\begin{aligned}\sin \theta_{j-1} \left( E_{0,j-1}^{(I,p)} e^{ik_{z,j-1}z_j} - E_{0,j-1}^{(R,p)} e^{-ik_{z,j-1}z_j} \right) &= \sin \theta_j \left( E_{0,j}^{(I,p)} e^{ik_{z,j}z_j} - E_{0,j}^{(R,p)} e^{-ik_{z,j}z_j} \right) \\ k_{j-1} \left( E_{0,j-1}^{(I)} e^{ik_{z,j-1}z_j} + E_{0,j-1}^{(R)} e^{-ik_{z,j-1}z_j} \right) &= k_j \left( E_{0,j}^{(I)} e^{ik_{z,j}z_j} + E_{0,j}^{(R)} e^{-ik_{z,j}z_j} \right)\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{S}_j^{(p)}(z) \cdot \mathbf{E}_j^{(p)} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta_j e^{ik_{z,j}z} & -\sin \theta_j e^{-ik_{z,j}z} \\ k_j e^{ik_{z,j}z} & k_j e^{-ik_{z,j}z} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} E_{0,j}^{(I,p)} \\ E_{0,j}^{(R,p)} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}E_{0,j-1}^{(I,s)} e^{ik_{z,j-1}z_j} + E_{0,j-1}^{(R,s)} e^{-ik_{z,j-1}z_j} &= E_{0,j}^{(I,s)} e^{ik_{z,j}z_j} + E_{0,j}^{(R,s)} e^{-ik_{z,j}z_j} \\ k_{j-1} \sin \theta_{j-1} \left( E_{0,j-1}^{(I,s)} e^{ik_{z,j-1}z_j} - E_{0,j-1}^{(R,s)} e^{-ik_{z,j-1}z_j} \right) &= k_j \sin \theta_j \left( E_{0,j}^{(I,s)} e^{ik_{z,j}z_j} - E_{0,j}^{(R,s)} e^{-ik_{z,j}z_j} \right)\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{S}_j^{(s)}(z) \cdot \mathbf{E}_j^{(s)} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} e^{ik_{z,j}z} & e^{-ik_{z,j}z} \\ k_j \sin \theta_j e^{ik_{z,j}z} & -k_j \sin \theta_j e^{-ik_{z,j}z} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} E_{0,j}^{(I,s)} \\ E_{0,j}^{(R,s)} \end{pmatrix}$$

For either polarisation the relation between  $\mathbf{E}_j$  and  $\mathbf{E}_{j-1}$  is given by the following equation,

$$\mathbf{S}_{j-1}(z_j) \cdot \mathbf{E}_{j-1} = \mathbf{S}_j(z_j) \cdot \mathbf{E}_j$$

We then compute  $\mathbf{E}_j$  from  $\mathbf{E}_{j-1}$  with

$$\mathbf{E}_j = \mathbf{T}_j \cdot \mathbf{E}_{j-1}$$

with

$$\mathbf{T}_j \equiv \mathbf{S}_j^{-1}(z_j) \cdot \mathbf{S}_{j-1}(z_j)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{T}_j^{(p)} &= \frac{1}{2k_j \sin \theta_j} \begin{pmatrix} k_j e^{-ik_{z,j} z_j} & \sin \theta_j e^{-ik_{z,j} z_j} \\ -k_j e^{ik_{z,j} z_j} & \sin \theta_j e^{ik_{z,j} z_j} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta_{j-1} e^{ik_{z,j-1} z_j} & -\sin \theta_{j-1} e^{-ik_{z,j-1} z_j} \\ k_{j-1} e^{ik_{z,j-1} z_j} & k_{j-1} e^{-ik_{z,j-1} z_j} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2k_{z,j}} \begin{pmatrix} \left( \frac{n_j}{n_{j-1}} k_{z,j-1} + \frac{n_{j-1}}{n_j} k_{z,j} \right) e^{-ik_{z,j}^- z_j} & \left( -\frac{n_j}{n_{j-1}} k_{z,j-1} + \frac{n_{j-1}}{n_j} k_{z,j} \right) e^{-ik_{z,j}^+ z_j} \\ \left( -\frac{n_j}{n_{j-1}} k_{z,j-1} + \frac{n_{j-1}}{n_j} k_{z,j} \right) e^{ik_{z,j}^+ z_j} & \left( \frac{n_j}{n_{j-1}} k_{z,j-1} + \frac{n_{j-1}}{n_j} k_{z,j} \right) e^{ik_{z,j}^- z_j} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2n_{j-1} n_j k_{z,j}} \begin{pmatrix} \left( n_{j-1}^2 k_{z,j} + n_j^2 k_{z,j-1} \right) e^{-ik_{z,j}^- z_j} & \left( n_{j-1}^2 k_{z,j} - n_j^2 k_{z,j-1} \right) e^{-ik_{z,j}^+ z_j} \\ \left( n_{j-1}^2 k_{z,j} - n_j^2 k_{z,j-1} \right) e^{ik_{z,j}^+ z_j} & \left( n_{j-1}^2 k_{z,j} + n_j^2 k_{z,j-1} \right) e^{ik_{z,j}^- z_j} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det\{\mathbf{T}_j^{(p)}\} &= \frac{\left( n_{j-1}^2 k_{z,j} + n_j^2 k_{z,j-1} \right)^2 - \left( n_{j-1}^2 k_{z,j} - n_j^2 k_{z,j-1} \right)^2}{4n_{j-1}^2 n_j^2 k_{z,j}^2} \\ &= \frac{k_{z,j-1}}{k_{z,j}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{T}_j^{(s)} &= \frac{1}{-2k_j \sin \theta_j} \begin{pmatrix} -k_j \sin \theta_j e^{-ik_{z,j} z_j} & -e^{-ik_{z,j} z_j} \\ -k_j \sin \theta_j e^{ik_{z,j} z_j} & e^{ik_{z,j} z_j} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e^{ik_{z,j-1} z_j} & e^{-ik_{z,j-1} z_j} \\ k_{j-1} \sin \theta_{j-1} e^{ik_{z,j-1} z_j} & -k_{j-1} \sin \theta_{j-1} e^{-ik_{z,j-1} z_j} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2k_{z,j}} \begin{pmatrix} k_{z,j}^+ e^{-ik_{z,j}^- z_j} & k_{z,j}^- e^{-ik_{z,j}^+ z_j} \\ k_{z,j}^- e^{ik_{z,j}^+ z_j} & k_{z,j}^+ e^{ik_{z,j}^- z_j} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

with

$$k_{z,j}^\pm = k_{z,j} \pm k_{z,j-1}$$

Note that,

$$\begin{aligned} \det\{\mathbf{T}_j^{(s)}\} &= \frac{(k_{z,j} + k_{z,j-1})^2 - (k_{z,j} - k_{z,j-1})^2}{4k_{z,j}^2} \\ &= \frac{k_{z,j-1}}{k_{z,j}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_j^{(p,s)} = \begin{pmatrix} p_j^{(p,s)} e^{-ik_{z,j}^- z_j} & m_j^{(p,s)} e^{-ik_{z,j}^+ z_j} \\ m_j^{(p,s)} e^{ik_{z,j}^+ z_j} & p_j^{(p,s)} e^{ik_{z,j}^- z_j} \end{pmatrix}$$

with,

$$\begin{aligned} p_j^{(p)} &= \frac{k_{z,j} + k_{z,j-1}}{2k_{z,j}} & m_j^{(p)} &= \frac{k_{z,j} - k_{z,j-1}}{2k_{z,j}} \\ p_j^{(s)} &= \frac{n_{j-1}^2 k_{z,j} + n_j^2 k_{z,j-1}}{2n_j n_{j-1} k_{z,j}} & m_j^{(s)} &= \frac{n_{j-1}^2 k_{z,j} - n_j^2 k_{z,j-1}}{2n_j n_{j-1} k_{z,j}} \end{aligned}$$

We define the following vector and matrix

$$\mathbf{W}_j \equiv \mathbf{S}_j(z) \cdot \mathbf{E}_j$$

where

$$\mathbf{W}_j(\mathbf{r}) = \begin{pmatrix} E_{0x,j}(\mathbf{r}) \\ \epsilon_j E_{0z,j}(\mathbf{r}) \end{pmatrix} = E_{0,j}(\mathbf{r}) \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta_j \\ \epsilon_j \cos \theta_j \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{E}_j = \begin{pmatrix} E_{0,j}^{(I)} \\ E_{0,j}^{(R)} \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{S}_j(z) = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_j e^{ik_{z,j}z} & -\alpha_j e^{-ik_{z,j}z} \\ \beta_j e^{ik_{z,j}z} & \beta_j e^{-ik_{z,j}z} \end{pmatrix}$$

where we defined

$$\alpha_j \equiv \sin \theta_j = \left( 1 - \frac{n_0^2 \cos^2 \theta_0}{n_j^2} \right)^{1/2} \quad \beta_j \equiv \epsilon_j \cos \theta_j = \frac{n_j}{\mu_j} \lambda k_0 \cos \theta_0$$

so that,

$$\mathbf{W}_{j-1}(\mathbf{r}_j, t) = \mathbf{W}_j(\mathbf{r}_j, t)$$

$$\det\{\mathbf{S}_j\} = 2\alpha_j\beta_j = 2\epsilon_j \sin \theta_j \cos \theta_j = 2n_j^2 \sin \theta_j \cos \theta_j = 2n_j \sin \theta_j n_0 \cos \theta_0$$

Polarisation out of plane, with  $k_y = 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} E_{0x,j}^{(I)} &= 0 & E_{0x,j}^{(R)} &= 0 \\ E_{0y,j}^{(I)} &= E_{0,j}^{(I)} & E_{0y,j}^{(R)} &= E_{0,j}^{(R)} \\ E_{0z,j}^{(I)} &= 0 & E_{0z,j}^{(R)} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \omega B_{0x,j}^{(I)} &= k_j E_{0,j}^{(I)} \sin \theta_j & \omega B_{0x,j}^{(R)} &= -k_j E_{0,j}^{(R)} \sin \theta_j \\ B_{0y,j}^{(I)} &= 0 & B_{0y,j}^{(R)} &= 0 \\ \omega B_{0z,j}^{(I)} &= k_j E_{0,j}^{(I)} \cos \theta_j & \omega B_{0z,j}^{(R)} &= k_j E_{0,j}^{(R)} \cos \theta_j \end{aligned}$$

The relevant equations are

$$\begin{aligned} E_{0,j-1}^{(I)} e^{ik_{z,j-1}z_j} + E_{0,j-1}^{(R)} e^{-ik_{z,j-1}z_j} &= E_{0,j}^{(I)} e^{ik_{z,j}z_j} + E_{0,j}^{(R)} e^{-ik_{z,j}z_j} \\ k_{j-1} \sin \theta_{j-1} \left( E_{0,j-1}^{(I)} e^{ik_{z,j-1}z_j} + E_{0,j-1}^{(R)} e^{-ik_{z,j-1}z_j} \right) &= k_j \sin \theta_j \left( E_{0,j}^{(I)} e^{ik_{z,j}z_j} - E_{0,j}^{(R)} e^{-ik_{z,j}z_j} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{W}_j(\mathbf{r}) = \begin{pmatrix} E_{0y,j}(\mathbf{r}) \\ \omega B_{0x,j}(\mathbf{r}) \end{pmatrix} = E_{0,j}(\mathbf{r}) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ k_j \sin \theta_j \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{E}_j = \begin{pmatrix} E_{0,j}^{(I)} \\ E_{0,j}^{(R)} \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{S}_j(z) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{ik_{z,j}z} & e^{-ik_{z,j}z} \\ k_{z,j} e^{ik_{z,j}z} & -k_{z,j} e^{-ik_{z,j}z} \end{pmatrix}$$

with

$$k_{z,j} \equiv k_j \sin \theta_j = k_j \alpha_j = \frac{2\pi n_j \alpha_j}{\lambda}$$

For X-Rays both polarisation can be approximate by the later one.

Lets note that  $\det\{\mathbf{S}_j\} = -2k_{z,j}$ .

In both polarisation what we have at the interface is,

$$\mathbf{W}_{j-1}(\mathbf{r}_j, t) = \mathbf{W}_j(\mathbf{r}_j, t)$$

In case of  $n_j < \cos \theta_j$ ,  $k_{z,j}$  is imaginary. We define  $\kappa_z = \mathcal{I}\{k_z\}$  and,

$$\mathbf{S}_j(z) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{ik_{z,j}z} & e^{-ik_{z,j}z} \\ k_{z,j}e^{ik_{z,j}z} & -k_{z,j}e^{-ik_{z,j}z} \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{S}_j(z) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-\kappa_{z,j}z} & e^{\kappa_{z,j}z} \\ i\kappa_{z,j}e^{-\kappa_{z,j}z} & -i\kappa_{z,j}e^{\kappa_{z,j}z} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$k_{z,j} \rightarrow i\kappa_{z,j}$$

## 2.6 Interface transfer

We define the transfer matrix as,

$$\mathbf{E}_j = \mathbf{T}_j \cdot \mathbf{E}_{j-1}$$

We can find this matrix with the help of the interface condition,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{W}_j(\mathbf{r}_j) &= \mathbf{W}_{j-1}(\mathbf{r}_j) \\ \mathbf{S}_j(\mathbf{r}_j) \cdot \mathbf{E}_j &= \mathbf{S}_{j-1}(\mathbf{r}_j) \cdot \mathbf{E}_{j-1} \end{aligned}$$

so that,

$$\mathbf{T}_j = \mathbf{S}_j^{-1}(\mathbf{r}_j) \cdot \mathbf{S}_{j-1}(\mathbf{r}_j)$$

Let's note that  $\det\{\mathbf{T}_j\} = \frac{k_{j-1}}{k_j}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{T}_j &= \frac{1}{2k_{z,j}} \begin{pmatrix} k_{z,j}e^{-ik_{z,j}z_j} & e^{-ik_{z,j}z_j} \\ k_{z,j}e^{ik_{z,j}z_j} & -e^{ik_{z,j}z_j} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e^{ik_{z,j-1}z_j} & e^{-ik_{z,j-1}z_j} \\ k_{z,j-1}e^{ik_{z,j-1}z_j} & -k_{z,j-1}e^{-ik_{z,j-1}z_j} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2k_{z,j}} \begin{pmatrix} (k_{z,j} + k_{z,j-1})e^{-i(k_{z,j}-k_{z,j-1})z_j} & (k_{z,j} - k_{z,j-1})e^{-i(k_{z,j}+k_{z,j-1})z_j} \\ (k_{z,j} - k_{z,j-1})e^{i(k_{z,j}+k_{z,j-1})z_j} & (k_{z,j} + k_{z,j-1})e^{i(k_{z,j}-k_{z,j-1})z_j} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Evanescent solution

$$\mathbf{T}_j = \frac{1}{2\kappa_{z,j}} \begin{pmatrix} (\kappa_{z,j} + \kappa_{z,j-1})e^{(\kappa_{z,j}-\kappa_{z,j-1})z_j} & (\kappa_{z,j} - \kappa_{z,j-1})e^{(\kappa_{z,j}+\kappa_{z,j-1})z_j} \\ (\kappa_{z,j} - \kappa_{z,j-1})e^{-(\kappa_{z,j}+\kappa_{z,j-1})z_j} & (\kappa_{z,j} + \kappa_{z,j-1})e^{-(\kappa_{z,j}-\kappa_{z,j-1})z_j} \end{pmatrix}$$

To go from the first interface to the last we just need to apply the matrices in sequence.

$$\mathbf{E}_N = \mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{E}_0 \quad \mathbf{L} = \mathbf{T}_N \cdot \mathbf{T}_{N-1} \cdots \mathbf{T}_2 \cdot \mathbf{T}_1 = \prod_{n=1}^N \mathbf{T}_n$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} t \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} L_{11} & L_{12} \\ L_{21} & L_{22} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ r \end{pmatrix}$$

$$r = -\frac{L_{21}}{L_{22}} \quad t = L_{11} - \frac{L_{12}L_{21}}{L_{22}} = \frac{\det\{\mathbf{L}\}}{L_{22}}$$

Let's note that  $\det\{\mathbf{L}\} = \prod_{j=1}^N \frac{k_{j-1}}{k_j} = \frac{k_0}{k_N}$  if  $k_j > 0$  and 0 otherwise.

## 2.7 Roughness

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{L} &= \int dz p_j(z) \mathbf{T}_N \cdots \mathbf{T}_j(z) \cdots \mathbf{T}_1 \\ &= \mathbf{T}_N \cdots \left( \int dz p_j(z) \mathbf{T}_j(z) \right) \cdots \mathbf{T}_1\end{aligned}$$

$$p_j(z) = \frac{1}{\sigma_j \sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{z - z_j}{\sigma_j} \right)^2 \right\}$$

$$\int dz p_j(z) e^{i(k_{z,j} \pm k_{z,j-1})z} = e^{i(k_{z,j} \pm k_{z,j-1})z_j} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(k_{z,j} \pm k_{z,j-1})^2 \sigma_j^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}& \int dz p_j(z) \mathbf{T}_j(z) \\ &= \frac{1}{2k_{z,j}} \begin{pmatrix} (k_{z,j} + k_{z,j-1}) e^{-i(k_{z,j} - k_{z,j-1})z_j} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(k_{z,j} - k_{z,j-1})^2 \sigma_j^2} & (k_{z,j} - k_{z,j-1}) e^{-i(k_{z,j} + k_{z,j-1})z_j} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(k_{z,j} + k_{z,j-1})^2 \sigma_j^2} \\ (k_{z,j} - k_{z,j-1}) e^{i(k_{z,j} + k_{z,j-1})z_j} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(k_{z,j} + k_{z,j-1})^2 \sigma_j^2} & (k_{z,j} + k_{z,j-1}) e^{i(k_{z,j} - k_{z,j-1})z_j} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(k_{z,j} - k_{z,j-1})^2 \sigma_j^2} \end{pmatrix} \\ &\int dz p_j(z) \mathbf{T}_j(z) \approx \frac{1}{2k_{z,j}} \begin{pmatrix} 2k_{z,j} e^{-i(k_{z,j} - k_{z,j-1})z_j} & (k_{z,j} - k_{z,j-1}) e^{-i(k_{z,j} + k_{z,j-1})z_j} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(k_{z,j} + k_{z,j-1})^2 \sigma_j^2} \\ (k_{z,j} - k_{z,j-1}) e^{i(k_{z,j} + k_{z,j-1})z_j} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(k_{z,j} + k_{z,j-1})^2 \sigma_j^2} & (k_{z,j} + k_{z,j-1}) e^{i(k_{z,j} - k_{z,j-1})z_j} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(k_{z,j} - k_{z,j-1})^2 \sigma_j^2} \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

## 2.8 Slope

$$\mathbf{T}_j = \frac{1}{2k_{z,j}} \begin{pmatrix} (k_{z,j} + k_{z,j-1}) e^{-i(k_{z,j} - k_{z,j-1})z_j} & (k_{z,j} - k_{z,j-1}) e^{-i(k_{z,j} + k_{z,j-1})z_j} \\ (k_{z,j} - k_{z,j-1}) e^{i(k_{z,j} + k_{z,j-1})z_j} & (k_{z,j} + k_{z,j-1}) e^{i(k_{z,j} - k_{z,j-1})z_j} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$k_{z,j} + k_{z,j-1} \approx 2k_{z,j}$$

$$k_{z,j} - k_{z,j-1} \approx \frac{dk_z}{dz} \Delta z_{j,j-1}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_j = \frac{1}{2k_{z,j}} \begin{pmatrix} 2k_{z,j} e^{-i \frac{dk_z}{dz} \Delta z_{j,j-1} z_j} & \frac{dk_z}{dz} \Delta z_{j,j-1} e^{-i 2k_{z,j} z_j} \\ \frac{dk_z}{dz} \Delta z_{j,j-1} e^{i 2k_{z,j} z_j} & 2k_{z,j} e^{i \frac{dk_z}{dz} \Delta z_{j,j-1} z_j} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_j \approx \frac{1}{2k_{z,j}} \begin{pmatrix} 2k_{z,j} \left( 1 - i \frac{dk_z}{dz} \Delta z_{j,j-1} z_j + \dots \right) & \frac{dk_z}{dz} \Delta z_{j,j-1} e^{-i 2k_{z,j} z_j} \\ \frac{dk_z}{dz} \Delta z_{j,j-1} e^{i 2k_{z,j} z_j} & 2k_{z,j} \left( 1 + i \frac{dk_z}{dz} \Delta z_{j,j-1} z_j + \dots \right) \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\mathbf{T}_j \approx \mathbb{1} + \frac{dk_z}{dz} \Delta z_{j,j-1} z_j \begin{pmatrix} -i & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2k_{z,j}} \frac{dk_z}{dz} \Delta z_{j,j-1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & e^{-i2k_{z,j}z_j} \\ e^{i2k_{z,j}z_j} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_j \approx \mathbb{1} + \Delta k_{z,j,j-1} z_j \begin{pmatrix} -i & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix} + \frac{\Delta k_{z,j,j-1}}{2k_{z,j}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & e^{-i2k_{z,j}z_j} \\ e^{i2k_{z,j}z_j} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_j \approx 2k_{z,j} \left( \mathbb{1} + \Delta k_{z,j,j-1} z_j \begin{pmatrix} -i & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix} \right) + \Delta k_{z,j,j-1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & e^{-i2k_{z,j}z_j} \\ e^{i2k_{z,j}z_j} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\prod_{j=0}^N \mathbf{T}_j = \mathbb{1} + \sum_{j=0}^N \frac{1}{2k_{z,j}} \frac{dk_z}{dz} \Delta z_{j,j-1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & e^{-i2k_{z,j}z_j} \\ e^{i2k_{z,j}z_j} & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \mathcal{O}(\Delta z^2)$$

$$\prod_{j=0}^N \mathbf{T}_j = \mathbb{1} + \int_{\text{top}}^{\text{bottom}} dz \frac{1}{2k_z(z)} \frac{dk_z}{dz} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & e^{-i2k_z(z)z} \\ e^{i2k_z(z)z} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\prod_{j=0}^N \mathbf{T}_j = \mathbb{1} + \int dz \frac{1}{2k_z(z)} \frac{dk_z}{dz} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & e^{-i2k_z(z)z} \\ e^{i2k_z(z)z} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\prod_{j=0}^N \mathbf{T}_j = \mathbb{1} + \int dz \frac{1}{2k_z(z)} \frac{dk_z}{dz} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & e^{-i2k_z(z)z} \\ e^{i2k_z(z)z} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\prod_{j=0}^N \mathbf{T}_j = \mathbb{1} + \int_{k_{z,\text{top}}}^{k_{z,\text{bottom}}} \frac{dk_z}{2k_z} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & e^{-i2k_z z(k_z)} \\ e^{i2k_z z(k_z)} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

## 2.9 Layer Transfer

We define the transfer matrix as,

$$\mathbf{W}_j(z_{j+1}) = \mathbf{M}_j \cdot \mathbf{W}_j(z_j)$$

We can find this matrix with the help  $\mathbf{E}$

$$\mathbf{S}_j(z_{j+1}) \cdot \mathbf{E}_j = \mathbf{M}_j \cdot \mathbf{S}_j(z_j) \cdot \mathbf{E}_j$$

So that,

$$\mathbf{M}_j = \mathbf{S}_j(z_{j+1}) \cdot \mathbf{S}_j^{-1}(z_j)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{M}_j &= \begin{pmatrix} e^{ik_{z,j}z_{j+1}} & e^{-ik_{z,j}z_{j+1}} \\ k_{z,j}e^{ik_{z,j}z_{j+1}} & -k_{z,j}e^{-ik_{z,j}z_{j+1}} \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2k_{z,j}} \begin{pmatrix} k_{z,j}e^{-ik_{z,j}z_j} & e^{-ik_{z,j}z_j} \\ k_{z,j}e^{ik_{z,j}z_j} & -e^{ik_{z,j}z_j} \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \frac{1}{2k_{z,j}} \begin{pmatrix} \cos(k_{z,j}d_j) & ik_{z,j}^{-1} \sin(k_{z,j}d_j) \\ ik_{z,j} \sin(k_{z,j}d_j) & \cos(k_{z,j}d_j) \end{pmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

To go from the first interface to the last we just need to apply the matrices in sequence.

$$\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{S}_N(z_N)^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{M}_{N-1} \cdot \mathbf{M}_{N-2} \cdots \mathbf{M}_2 \cdot \mathbf{M}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_0(z_1)$$

$$r = -e^{i2k_z(a)a} \frac{k_z(b) - k_z(a) + (b-a)k_z(a)k_z(b) - \int_a^b dz k_z^2(z)}{k_z(b) + k_z(a) - (b-a)k_z(a)k_z(b) - \int_a^b dz k_z^2(z)}$$