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Phase velocity:

$$V_\phi := \frac{\omega}{k}$$

Waves:

- Speed at which phase front moves

• Use linearity, local physics, invariance

• Plane waves solve the wave equation:

$$\psi(x,t) = A e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$$

$$k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \quad \omega = 2\pi f = \frac{2\pi}{T}$$

• Any fn of this form

$$c_1 f(x-vt) + c_2 g(x+vt)$$

Right Moving

Left Moving

Time dependence:

① Real space: Solve for $\psi(x,0)$ as a linear comb of e^{ikx} 's and attach a $e^{-i\omega k t}$

② Fourier: $\psi(x,0) \xrightarrow{\hat{f}} \psi(k,0) \rightarrow \psi(k,t) = \psi(k,0)e^{-i\omega k t} \xrightarrow{\hat{f}^{-1}} \psi(x,t)$

• Standing Waves: Normal modes of wave eqn

- plug in $\hat{\psi}(x,t) = \psi(x)\phi(t)$ and solve for $\psi(x)$

- Use boundary conditions to discretize ψ .

- Any wave can be expressed as a linear comb:

$$\hat{\psi}(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \hat{\psi}_n(x,t) \quad c_n = \int_0^L \hat{\psi}_n(x) \hat{\psi}(x,0) dx$$

• E&M waves:

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{P}{\epsilon_0} \quad \nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \quad \nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

$$\text{Energy: } U = \frac{1}{2} \iiint (\epsilon_0 |\vec{E}|^2 + \frac{1}{\mu_0} |\vec{B}|^2) dx$$

$$\text{Average energy: } \langle U \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 |\vec{E}_0|^2$$

Optics:

• At a planar boundary:

① All k 's stay in same plane

② Law of Refraction: $\theta_r = \theta_i$

③ Snell's Law: $n_1 \sin \theta_i = n_2 \sin \theta_r$

- θ 's are measured w.r.t. normal

• Hamilton's Ray Eqns: $\omega = D(\vec{k}, \vec{x}, t)$

$$\frac{d\vec{x}}{dt} = \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \vec{k}} \quad (\text{Velocity of ray is group velocity})$$

$$\frac{d\vec{k}}{dt} = -\frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \vec{x}} \quad (\text{Generalization of Snell's Law})$$

$$\frac{d\omega}{dt} = \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial t} \quad (\omega \text{ is const. in time if dispersion has not dep.})$$

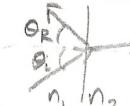
Ray Tracing:

- Examine ≥ 2 rays and find intersection

① Ray that starts parallel

② Ray through center

③ Ray through focus



• Index of refraction: In a medium where light moves at v_ϕ : $n_{\text{air}} \sim 1$

$$n := c/v_\phi$$

• Bigger index, slower wave speed

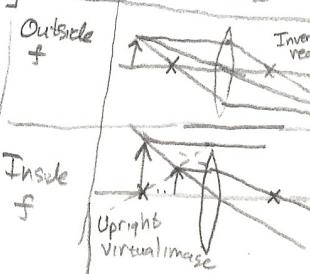
$$\text{Consider } \omega = \frac{c/|\vec{k}|}{v_g(\vec{x})}$$

$$\frac{d}{ds} (n \frac{d\vec{x}}{ds}) = \nabla n(\vec{x})$$

- s is path length

- If you plug into 2nd eqn, see that $\vec{k} \propto \nabla n(\vec{x})$

Converging lens



• Total internal reflection: All light reflected when

$$\theta_r > 90^\circ, \text{ so:}$$

$$\sin \theta_c = \frac{n_2}{n_1}$$

• Rays:

- Move along \vec{k} vector

- Propagate at v_g , not v

$$\psi(x,t) = A(x,t) e^{iH(x,t)}$$

$$\vec{k}_{\text{loc}} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} \quad \omega_{\text{loc}} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial \omega}$$

• Fermat's Principle: Light travels the path to make the quantity

$$\frac{1}{c} \int_C n ds$$

stationary

• Huygens-Fresnel Principle: Waves are local, so we can imagine treating a wavefront as each point making its own "wavelets"

• Evanescent waves: Result of continuity of E, \vec{E} at boundary

• Complex k , decay exponentially, transport no power

• Radiation:

- Arises from accelerating charges

- Accelerated charges create a kink in the field

$$P = \frac{2}{3} \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q^2}{C^3} |\vec{a}|^2$$

• Derive Snell's Law:

$$\Delta t = \frac{n_1 l_1 + n_2 l_2}{c} \quad \left[\frac{e_1}{v_1}, \frac{e_2}{v_2} \right]$$

$$\Delta t = \frac{1}{c} (n_1 \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} + n_2 \sqrt{(L-x)^2 + y^2})$$

$$\frac{d\omega}{dx} = 0 = \frac{n_1 \chi}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} + \frac{n_2 (-1)(L-x)}{\sqrt{(L-x)^2 + y^2}}$$

$$0 = n_1 \sin \theta_1 - n_2 \sin \theta_2$$

$$\Rightarrow n_1 \sin \theta_1 = n_2 \sin \theta_2$$

• Group velocity: Speed at which wave packets move

$$\omega = \Omega(k)$$

- ω varies as a fn of k

• Dispersion relation: $\omega = V_\phi k$

- No dispersion, all phase fronts move at V_ϕ

• Dispersion free:

$$m \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial t^2} = T \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} (x + ct) - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \right)$$

$$T \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial t^2} - T \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} = T \sin \Theta \sim \Theta \sim \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2}$$

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$$V_\phi^2 \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2}$$

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Polarization:

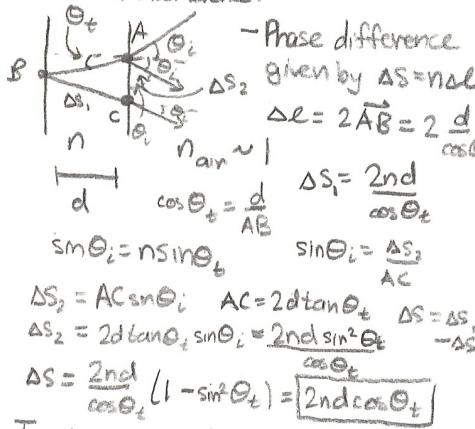
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| • Unit vectors: | $\hat{H} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ | $\hat{E} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ | • Polarizer: | $\hat{P}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} \cos^2 \theta & \cos \theta \sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \sin \theta & \sin^2 \theta \end{pmatrix}$ | • Waveplates: | - Phase shift ϕ_H and ϕ_V : |
| • Malus' Law: | $\hat{V} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ | $\hat{L} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{pmatrix}$ | - Idempotent ($\hat{P}^2 = \hat{P}$) | $\hat{\omega} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\phi_H} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\phi_V} \end{pmatrix}$ | $\hat{H} = \hat{Q}^2$ | |
| $I \propto \cos^2 \theta$ | $\hat{D} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ | $\hat{A} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ | - Hermitian ($\hat{P}^\dagger = \hat{P}$) | $\hat{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ | $\hat{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ | |
| - I is intensity through polarizer, θ is angle between \hat{E} and transmission axis | | | - Circular polarizers: $\hat{P}_c = \hat{R}\hat{R}^\dagger = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -i \\ i & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ | - Filters: | - Dichroic: $\hat{F} = k \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \beta \end{pmatrix}$, $\hat{D} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \beta \end{pmatrix}$, $2\alpha, 1$ | |
| - Γ is Hermitian matrix: | | | - Completely unpolarized light has $\Gamma = k \mathbb{I}$ | - Intensity: $I = \text{trace}(\Gamma)$ | - Spectral Decomposition: $\Gamma = \lambda_{11} \mathbb{I} \otimes \mathbb{I} + \lambda_{22} \mathbb{I} \otimes \mathbb{I}$ | |
| $\Gamma := \begin{pmatrix} \langle E_x^* E_x \rangle & \langle E_x^* E_y \rangle \\ \langle E_y^* E_x \rangle & \langle E_y^* E_y \rangle \end{pmatrix}$ | | | - Can view $\Gamma = \langle \hat{e} \hat{e}^\dagger \rangle$ | | $E_1 = \text{span} \{ \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{pmatrix} \}$ | |
| | | | $\Gamma_{\text{out}} = \hat{J}_n \dots \hat{J}_2 \hat{J}_1 \Gamma \hat{J}_1^\dagger \hat{J}_2^\dagger \dots \hat{J}_n^\dagger$ | | $E_2 = \text{span} \{ \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \}$ | |

Stokes Parameters:

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| $S_0 = I = \langle E_x ^2 \rangle + \langle E_y ^2 \rangle$ | completely polarized | $S_1 = Q = \langle E_x ^2 \rangle - \langle E_y ^2 \rangle$ | difference in intensity | $S_2 = U = \langle E_A ^2 \rangle - \langle E_D ^2 \rangle = 2 \operatorname{Re} \langle E_x E_y^* \rangle$ | Polarization Intensity: $I_p^2 = Q^2 + U^2 + V^2$ | $dop = I_p / I$ | Degree of polarization: $dop = \frac{2_1 - 2_2}{2_1 + 2_2}$ | $dop = 0 \Rightarrow \text{unpolarized}$ | $dop = 1 \Rightarrow \text{completely polarized}$ |
| $S_3 = V = \langle E_R ^2 \rangle - \langle E_L ^2 \rangle = 2 \operatorname{Im} \langle E_x E_y^* \rangle$ | | | | | | | | | |
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Interference/Diffraction:

Thin film interference:



To get $\Delta \phi$, we add in a π phase shift when the wave goes from low n to high n .

$$\Delta \phi = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \Delta S + \pi = \frac{4\pi n d \cos \theta_t}{\lambda} + \pi$$

Maxima @ $\Delta \phi = 2k\pi$, minima @ $\Delta \phi = \pi + 2k\pi$

Special Relativity:

Postulates:

(1) The laws of physics are the same in all reference frames

(2) The speed of light is constant in all frames

Spacetime interval:

$$ds^2 = c^2 dt^2 - ||d\vec{x}||^2$$

$$\gamma := \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}}$$

$$\beta := v/c$$

$$\Delta := (\frac{ct}{x}, \frac{-\beta y}{x}, \frac{y}{x})$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{c} ct' \\ x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{array} \right) = \Delta \left(\begin{array}{c} ct \\ x \\ y \\ z \end{array} \right)$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{c} ct' \\ x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{array} \right) = \left(\begin{array}{cccc} \gamma & -\beta \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta \gamma & \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \left(\begin{array}{c} ct \\ x \\ y \\ z \end{array} \right)$$

$$\tan \theta = \beta$$

$$\text{Events are points}$$

$$\text{Spacelike events: } \exists \text{ ref. frame}$$

$$\text{that they happen at same time}$$

$$\text{and } ds^2 < 0$$

$$\text{Timelike: } \exists \text{ ref. frame that they happen at the same location and } ds^2 > 0$$

$$\text{Lightlike: Move at } c, \text{ and } ds^2 = 0$$

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| of light: How close light is to a plane wave | Density of modes: $\frac{dk}{dx} = \frac{2\pi}{\Delta x}$ | of size Δx , # modes change as Δx |
| | # modes = $\int \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{d^3 x}{\Delta x^3}$ | $\Delta x = \frac{2\pi}{\Delta k}$ |
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| Double slit: | Intensity maxima: $\Delta x = m \Delta l$ | Intensity minima: $\Delta x = (m + \frac{1}{2}) \Delta l$ |
| | $ds \sin \theta = m \Delta l$ | |
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| Fresnel/Fraunhofer: | Fresnel number: $L^2/2$ | As we increase width of the transmission fn, we decrease the width of the diffraction pattern |
| | Fresnel diffraction near field | |
| | Fraunhofer far field | |
| | Large z : $z \gg \lambda L^2/v$ | |
| | Single Slit diffraction: | |
| | - Pair off at the edge w/ a ray from the middle | |
| | $\sin \theta = \frac{\Delta l}{\lambda z} \rightarrow \Delta l = \frac{\lambda}{2} \sin \theta$ | |
| | Max: $\frac{\lambda}{2} \sin \theta = m \Delta l$ | |
| | Min: $\frac{\lambda}{2} \sin \theta = (m + \frac{1}{2}) \Delta l$ | |
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| N slits separated by d : | $I(x) \propto \frac{\sin^2(\frac{N\pi x}{\lambda R})}{\sin^2(\frac{\pi d}{\lambda R} x)}$ |
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| $\sum_{k=0}^n r^k = \frac{1 - r^{n+1}}{1 - r}$ |
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| Length contraction: If an object has length L in its rest frame: $L' = L/\gamma$ |
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| $\Delta t' = \gamma \Delta t$ |
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$\Lambda^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma & \beta\gamma \\ \beta\gamma & \gamma \end{pmatrix}$ | Lorentz Inverse Product:
 Four velocity:
 $\underline{u} := \frac{d}{dt} \underline{x} = \gamma \frac{d}{dt} \underline{x} = \gamma \left(\frac{c}{dx/dt} \right)$
 $\underline{u} \cdot \underline{u} = c^2 \quad \underline{u}' = \Lambda \underline{u}$

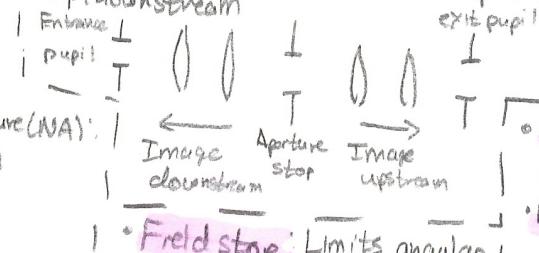
$\underline{x}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} ct_1 \\ x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \underline{x}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} ct_2 \\ x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix}$
 $c^2 t_1 t_2 - \vec{x}_1 \cdot \vec{x}_2 \quad d\tau := \frac{dt}{\gamma(v)}$
 $u' = \frac{u-v}{1-vu/c^2} \quad \beta' = \frac{\beta - \beta_{\text{frame}}}{1 - \beta \beta_{\text{frame}}}$

$\underline{x}_1 \cdot \underline{x}_2 = 1 \quad \text{Proper time: Velocity addition:}$
 The Lorentz inner product of a 4-vector is a Lorentz invariant
 $\lambda' = 2 \sqrt{\frac{1+\beta}{1-\beta}}$
 $P = (\frac{E/c}{\beta}) = m\gamma \left(\frac{c}{dx/dt} \right) = m\underline{u}$
 $\vec{P} = m\gamma \vec{v} \quad E_0 = mc^2$

Miscellaneous:

- Aperture stop: Limits angle of acceptance

 $NA = n \sin \theta$
 $(f/\#) := \frac{1}{2NA}$
- Wave 4-vector
 $K = \left(\frac{\omega/c}{k} \right) \quad K \cdot \underline{x} = \omega t - k \cdot \underline{x}$
 $K \cdot K = 0$
- Convolution:
 $f(t) * g(t) := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau) g(t-\tau) d\tau$
 $f * g = g * f$
 $\hat{f} \{ f * g \} = \hat{f} \{ f \} \cdot \hat{f} \{ g \}$
 $f(x) * \delta(x-a) = f(x-a)$

Entrance/exit pupil: Image of aperture stop


Doppler Shift: $\lambda' = \lambda \sqrt{\frac{1+\beta}{1-\beta}}$
Energy/momentum:
 $E = \gamma mc^2 \quad T = (\gamma-1)mc^2$
 $E^2 = (cp)^2 + (mc^2)^2 \quad \vec{p} = \frac{cp}{E}$
 $P \cdot P = m^2 c^2$

Chief ray: Ray from off-axis object that goes through center of aperture stop
Marginal ray: Same as chief but goes through edge of aperture stop
Field stop: Limits angular acceptance of chief rays
Marginal ray: Chief also goes through center of both pupils
Poppler derivation: k' in frame of emitter, k in frame of observer:
 $k' = \left(\frac{\omega'/c}{k'} \right) = \left(\frac{k'}{-k'} \right)$ b/c moving backward
 $k' = \left(\frac{\gamma \beta \omega}{\gamma \beta k} \right) \left(\frac{k}{-k} \right) \rightarrow k = \beta \gamma k' - \gamma k' \rightarrow k = (1-\beta)\gamma k'$
 Left Moving left
 $\rightarrow k = \frac{\sqrt{(1-\beta)^2}}{\sqrt{(1-\beta)(1+\beta)}} k' \rightarrow k = \sqrt{\frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta}} k'$
Phase shift of waveplate:
 $\Delta\phi = \frac{2\pi d}{\lambda} |\eta_f - \eta_s|$
 $\eta_f \rightarrow N \text{ of fast axis}$
 $\eta_s \rightarrow N \text{ of slow axis}$

Notice we have the opposite effect
 k and k' in this and the formula is the same

Patrick Cane • All four vectors transform by the Lorentz transformation, $\underline{A}' = \Lambda \underline{A}$

Physics H7C Final Cheat Sheet

Relativistic Dynamics: $\vec{\beta} = \frac{\vec{c}\vec{p}}{E}$ • Collisions: Conservation of 4-momentum, 3-momentum, energy, but not mass • Com frame: $P_{\text{total}} = \sum_i P_i$ - Generally, switch to frame w/o 3-momentum

• Momentum:

$$P = m\underline{U} = m \frac{d}{dt} \underline{X} = m\gamma \left(\frac{c}{d\underline{x}/dt} \right) = \left(\frac{E/c}{\vec{P}} \right)$$

- From this, we see that we must have:

$$E = \gamma mc^2 \quad \vec{p} = \gamma mv \quad \underline{P} = \underline{P} = m^2 c^2 \quad E^2 = (cp)^2 + (mc^2)^2$$

• Energy:

$$\text{Kinetic energy is } E - E_0 = E - mc^2$$

$$T = (\gamma - 1)mc^2$$

$$E^2 = (cp)^2 + (mc^2)^2$$

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