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How do Matter and Light Interact?

■ In classical electrodynamics

- In simple materials,

$$v_{\text{phase}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}} = \frac{c}{n} ;$$

- At an interface,

$$\theta_R = \theta_I \quad \text{and} \quad n_I \sin(\theta_I) = n_T \sin(\theta_T)$$

- But in reality, *energy and light are quantized.* So does the classical theory work? Or, does it?

- Many materials are transparent. Why is that?

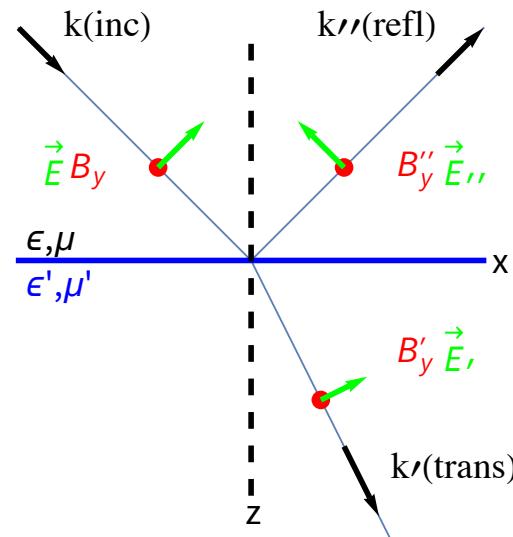
E.g., gases, water, glass, crystals (salt, quartz, ...) etc

- Almost everything we see is seen by reflection;
very few materials are self-luminous.

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FRESNEL'S EQUATIONS FOR REFLECTION AND REFRACTION (Augustin-Jean Fresnel, 1821)

$\ln f(z) = \text{sh}$



E.g., the surface of a lake

Something remarkable occurs for plane waves with TM polarization—Brewster's angle

Boundary Conditions :: Solve for \vec{E}_0' and \vec{E}_0''

■ $E_{\text{tangential}}$ and B_{normal} are continuous at $z = 0$;

■ there are no free charges or currents, so

D_{normal} and $H_{\text{tangential}}$ are continuous at $z = 0$.

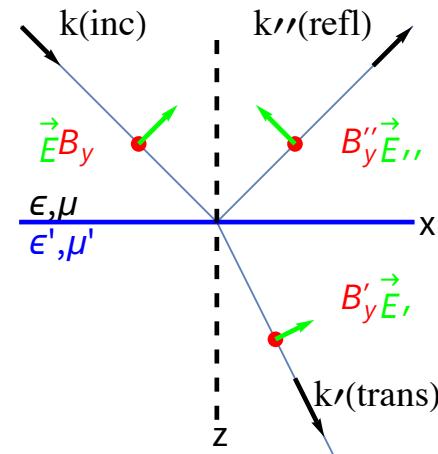
$\Rightarrow \exists$ four boundary conditions

$$\omega \vec{B} = \vec{k} \times \vec{E}; \quad \text{or, } \vec{H} = \frac{1}{\mu\omega} \vec{k} \times \vec{E}$$

D_n	$\epsilon(\vec{E}_0 + \vec{E}_0'') \cdot \hat{e}_z = \epsilon' \vec{E}_0' \cdot \hat{e}_z$
E_t	$(\vec{E}_0 + \vec{E}_0'') \times \hat{e}_z = \vec{E}_0' \times \hat{e}_z$
B_n	$(\vec{k} \times \vec{E}_0 + \vec{k}'' \times \vec{E}_0'') \cdot \hat{e}_z = (\vec{k}' \times \vec{E}_0') \cdot \hat{e}_z$
H_t	$\frac{1}{\mu} (\vec{k} \times \vec{E}_0 + \vec{k}'' \times \vec{E}_0'') \times \hat{e}_z = \frac{1}{\mu'} (\vec{k}' \times \vec{E}_0') \times \hat{e}_z$

Solving the boundary conditions for TM Polarization (note: $+z$ points downward; $+y$ points out of board)

$\ln[\gamma] = \text{sh}$



TM pol	\vec{H} is perpendicular to the plane of incidence
	$\vec{H} = H_y \hat{e}_y$
	$\vec{E} = E_x \hat{e}_x + E_z \hat{e}_z$

TM polarization	
$D_{\text{norm}} = \epsilon E_z$	$\epsilon (E_z + E_z'') = \epsilon' E_z'$
$E_{\text{tang}} = E_x$	$E_x + E_x'' = E_x'$
$B_{\text{norm}} = B_z$	$0 = 0$
$H_{\text{tang}} = H_y$	$H_y + H_y'' = H_y'$

Fresnel's equations, **assuming $\mu' = \mu = \mu_0$** .

... the assumption is appropriate for dielectrics, which generally have very small magnetic susceptibilities.

$$\vec{E} = E_0 \hat{\epsilon} \exp i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x} - \omega t); \quad \hat{\epsilon} = \hat{e}_x \cos\{i\} - \hat{e}_z \sin\{i\}$$

$$\vec{E}' = E_0' \hat{\epsilon}' \exp i(\vec{k}' \cdot \vec{x} - \omega t); \quad \hat{\epsilon}' = \hat{e}_x \cos\{t\} - \hat{e}_z \sin\{t\}$$

$$\vec{E}'' = E_0'' \hat{\epsilon}'' \exp i(\vec{k}'' \cdot \vec{x} - \omega t); \quad \hat{\epsilon}'' = -\hat{e}_x \cos\{r\} - \hat{e}_z \sin\{r\}$$

\Rightarrow Eq. (7.41)

TM pol	\vec{H} is perpendicular to the plane of incidence
TM pol	$\frac{E_0'}{E_0} = \frac{2 n \cos(\theta_{\text{inc}})}{n' \cos(\theta_{\text{inc}}) + n \cos(\theta_{\text{trans}})}$
TM pol	$\frac{E_0''}{E_0} = \frac{n' \cos(\theta_{\text{inc}}) - n \cos(\theta_{\text{trans}})}{n' \cos(\theta_{\text{inc}}) + n \cos(\theta_{\text{trans}})}$

I can verify that the boundary conditions are obeyed

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In[7]:= Remove["Global`*"]

In[8]:= rpl1 = {E0p → E0 * 2*n*Cos[θ] / (np*Cos[θ] + n*Cos[θp])};
rpl2 = {E0pp → E0 *
(np*Cos[θ] - n*Cos[θp]) /
(np*Cos[θ] + n*Cos[θp])};

(* 1: Dnorm *)
Ez = -E0*Sin[θ];
Ezp = -E0p*Sin[θp];
Ezpp = -E0pp*Sin[θ];
test1 = n^2*(Ez + Ezpp) - np^2*Ezp;
test1 = test1 /. rpl1;
test1 = test1 /. rpl2;
test1 = test1 /. {E0 → 1};
test1 = test1 // Expand // Simplify
test1 /. {np → n*Sin[θ] / Sin[θp]}

$$\frac{2 n \text{np} \cos [\theta] (-n \sin [\theta] + \text{np} \sin [\theta p])}{n p \cos [\theta] + n \cos [\theta p]}$$

0
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In[8]:= (* 2: Etang *)
Ex = +E0 * Cos[θ];
ExP = +E0p * Cos[θp];
ExPP = -E0pp * Cos[θ];
test2 = (Ex + ExPP) - ExP;
test2 = test2 /. rpl1;
test2 = test2 /. rpl2;
test2 = test2 /. {E0 → 1};
test2 = test2 // Expand // Simplify

$$\cos [\theta] - \frac{2 n \cos [\theta] \cos [\theta p]}{n p \cos [\theta] + n \cos [\theta p]} -$$


$$\frac{\cos [\theta] (n p \cos [\theta] - n \cos [\theta p])}{n p \cos [\theta] + n \cos [\theta p]}$$

0
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In[+]:= (* Htang *)
Remove[Ex, Ez, ExP, EzP, ExPP, EzPP]
kv = {kx, 0, kz}; kP = {kxP, 0, kzP};
kPP = {kxPP, 0, kzPP};
Ev = {Ex, 0, Ez}; EP = {ExP, 0, EzP};
EPP = {ExPP, 0, EzPP};
Hy = Dot[Cross[kv, Ev], {0, 1, 0}]
HyP = Dot[Cross[kP, EP], {0, 1, 0}]
HyPP = Dot[Cross[kPP, EPP], {0, 1, 0}]

$$- Ez \text{kx} + Ex \text{kz}$$


$$- EzP \text{kxP} + ExP \text{kzP}$$


$$- EzPP \text{kxPP} + ExPP \text{kzPP}$$


In[+]:= {kx, kxP, kxPP} = {n*Sin[\theta], np*Sin[\theta p], n*Sin[\theta]};
{kz, kzP, kzPP} = {n*Cos[\theta], np*Cos[\theta p], -n*Cos[\theta]};
{Ex, ExP, ExPP} = {E0*Cos[\theta], E0p*Cos[\theta p], -E0pp*Cos[\theta]};
{Ez, EzP, EzPP} = {-E0*Sin[\theta], -E0p*Sin[\theta p], -E0pp*Sin[\theta]};

test3 = (Hy + HyPP) - HyP
test3 = test3 /. rpl1;
test3 = test3 /. rpl2;
test3 // Simplify

$$E0 n \text{Cos}[\theta]^2 + E0pp n \text{Cos}[\theta]^2 - E0p np \text{Cos}[\theta p]^2 +$$


$$E0 n \text{Sin}[\theta]^2 + E0pp n \text{Sin}[\theta]^2 - E0p np \text{Sin}[\theta p]^2$$


$$0$$


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TM polarization

Amplitudes

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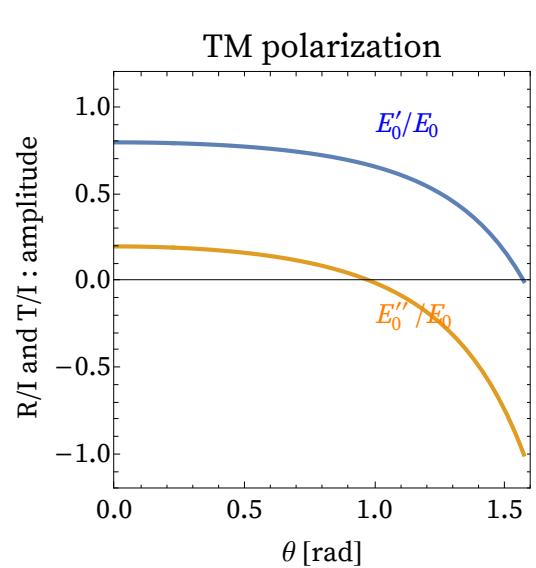
In[+]:= {n, np} = {1, 1.5};
(* Snells' law ; θ = inc, θp = transm *)
θp = ArcSin[n / np * Sin[\theta]];
Etransm[\theta_] = 2 * n * Cos[\theta] / (np * Cos[\theta] + n * Cos[\theta p]);
Erefl[\theta_] = (np * Cos[\theta] - n * Cos[\theta p]) /
(np * Cos[\theta] + n * Cos[\theta p]);

In[+]:= l1 = {Blue, Text["E'_θ/E_θ", {1.0, 0.9}, {-1, 0}]};
l2 = {Orange, Text["E''_θ / E_θ", {1.0, -0.2}, {-1, 0}]};

In[+]:= sh11 = Show[
Plot[{Etransm[\theta], Erefl[\theta]}, {\theta, 0, Pi/2},
PlotRange → {{0, 1.6}, {-1.2, 1.2}},
Frame → True, ImageSize → 450,
FrameLabel → {"θ [rad]", " R/I and T/I : amplitude"},
PlotLabel → "TM polarization",
PlotStyle → Thickness[0.01], AspectRatio → 1,
BaseStyle → {FontFamily → "Source Serif Pro", 24}],
Graphics[{l1, l2}]];

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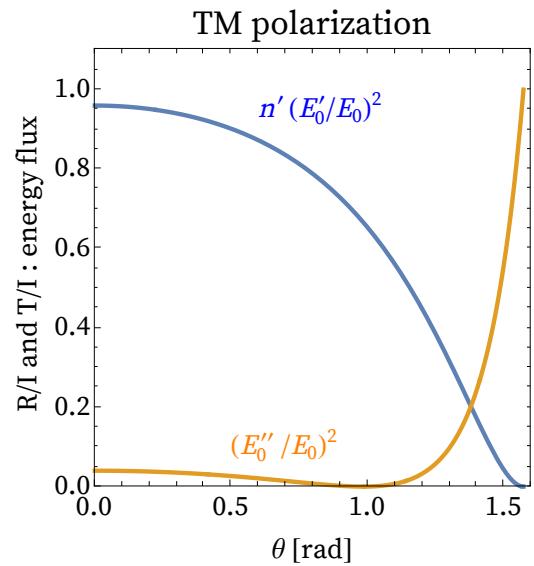
Interesting : \exists phase change for $\theta > \theta_B$ but no phase change for $\theta < \theta_B$; Brewster's angle.

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Intensities

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In[2]:=
l1R = {Blue, Text["n' (E'_0/E_0)^2", {0.6, 0.95}, {-1, 0}]};
l2R = {Orange, Text["(E''_0/E_0)^2", {0.5, 0.1}, {-1, 0}]};

In[3]:=
sh12 = Show[
  Plot[{np * (Etransm[\theta])^2, (Erefl[\theta])^2}, {\theta, 0, Pi/2},
    PlotRange -> {{0, 1.6}, {0, 1.1}},
    Frame -> True, ImageSize -> 450,
    FrameLabel -> {"\theta [rad]",
      " R/I and T/I : energy flux"},
    PlotLabel -> "TM polarization",
    PlotStyle -> Thickness[0.01], AspectRatio -> 1,
    BaseStyle -> {FontFamily -> "Source Serif Pro", 24}],
  Graphics[{l1R, l2R}]];
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normal incidence... grazing incidence...
Brewster's angle.

Energies

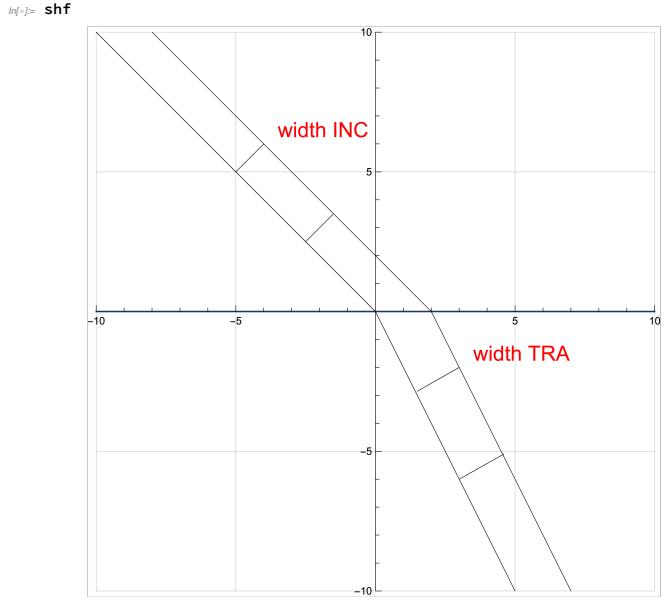
The equation for conservation of energy is

$$\frac{\cos(\theta')}{\cos(\theta)} T + R = 1$$

where $T = S'/S$ and $R = S''/S$

The factor $\cos(\theta')/\cos(\theta)$ reflects the fact that a transmitted beam has a larger area (by that factor) than the incident beam; because of the refraction.

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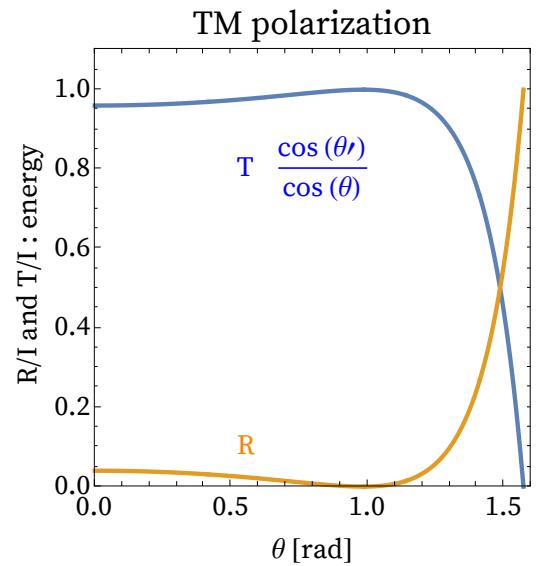


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In[1]:= T[\theta_] = np * (Etransm[\theta])^2;
R[\theta_] = (Erefl[\theta])^2;
fac[\theta_] =
  Sqrt[1 - n^2 / np^2 * Sin[\theta]^2 / Cos[\theta]];
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lT2 = {Blue, Text[" T ", {0.5, 0.8}, {-1, 0}]};
lR2 = {Orange, Text[" R ", {0.5, 0.1}, {-1, 0}]};
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sh13 = Show[
  Plot[{T[\theta] * fac[\theta], R[\theta]}, {\theta, 0, Pi/2},
    PlotRange \[Rule] {{0, 1.6}, {0, 1.1}},
    Frame \[Rule] True, ImageSize \[Rule] 450,
    FrameLabel \[Rule] {"\theta [rad]", " R/I and T/I : energy"},
    PlotLabel \[Rule] "TM polarization",
    PlotStyle \[Rule] Thickness[0.01], AspectRatio \[Rule] 1,
    BaseStyle \[Rule] {FontFamily \[Rule] "Source Serif Pro", 24}],
  Graphics[{lT2, lR2}]];
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In[1]:= sh13

“Why do fishermen wear polarized sunglasses?”
The answer to this question is “Brewster’s angle”.

Explanation

Calculate Brewster's angle for water:

$$E_0'' = (n' \cos\theta - n \cos\theta') / (n' \cos\theta + n \cos\theta') E_0$$

$$E_0'' = 0 \text{ implies } n' \cos\theta = n \cos\theta'$$

$$\text{Also, } n \sin\theta = n' \sin\theta' \text{ (Snell's law)}$$

$$\text{Solve for } \theta \equiv \theta_B$$

$$\tan \theta_B = \frac{n'}{n}$$

$$\text{For water } \theta_B = \arctan(1.33) = 53.06 \text{ degrees.}$$

If the sun is 36.94 degrees above the horizontal then sunlight reflected from the lake surface is 100 percent TE polarized.

That is why fishermen wear polarized sunglasses.