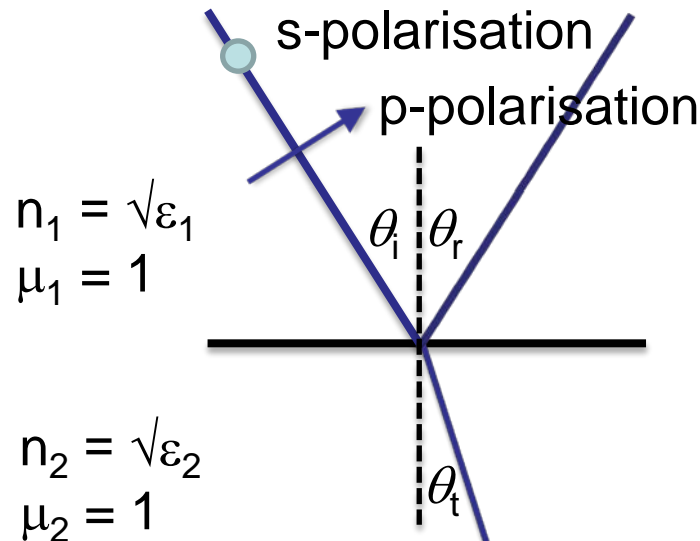


Fresnel Equations

Consider reflection and transmission of light at dielectric/dielectric boundary

Calculate reflection and transmission coefficients, R and T, as a function of incident light polarisation and angle of incidence using EM boundary conditions



s-polarisation \mathbf{E} perpendicular to plane of incidence
p-polarisation \mathbf{E} parallel to plane of incidence

Fresnel Equations

Snell's Law

Boundary conditions apply across the entire, flat interface ($z = 0$)

Incident, reflected and transmitted waves are like

$$\mathbf{E}_I = (\mathbf{e}_y \cos \theta_i + \mathbf{e}_z \sin \theta_i) E_{oI} e^{i(\omega t - \mathbf{k}_I \cdot \mathbf{r})}$$

$$\mathbf{E}_R = (-\mathbf{e}_y \cos \theta_r + \mathbf{e}_z \sin \theta_r) E_{oR} e^{i(\omega t - \mathbf{k}_R \cdot \mathbf{r})}$$

$$\mathbf{E}_T = (\mathbf{e}_y \cos \theta_t + \mathbf{e}_z \sin \theta_t) E_{oT} e^{i(\omega t - \mathbf{k}_T \cdot \mathbf{r})}$$

To satisfy BC $(\mathbf{k}_I \cdot \mathbf{r})_{z=0} = (\mathbf{k}_R \cdot \mathbf{r})_{z=0} = (\mathbf{k}_T \cdot \mathbf{r})_{z=0}$

(1) wave vectors lie in single plane

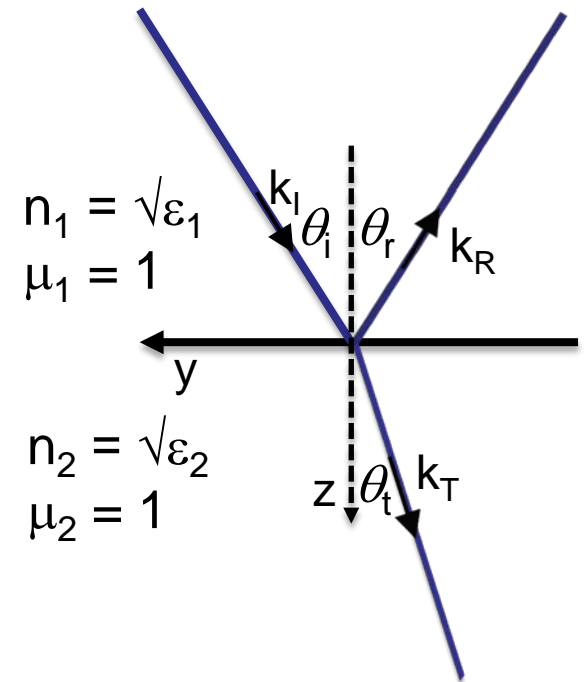
(2) projection of wave vectors on xy plane is same

From (1) $\theta_i = \theta_r$

From (2) $k_I \sin \theta_i = k_R \sin \theta_r = k_T \sin \theta_t$

$$k_I = k_R = \frac{\omega}{C} \sqrt{\mu_1 \epsilon_1} \quad k_T = \frac{\omega}{C} \sqrt{\mu_2 \epsilon_2}$$

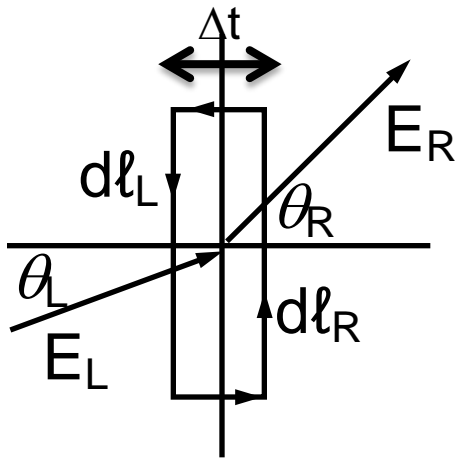
$k_I \sin \theta_i = k_T \sin \theta_t$ becomes $\sin \theta_i / \sin \theta_t = \sqrt{\mu_2 \epsilon_2} / \sqrt{\mu_1 \epsilon_1}$



Boundary conditions on \mathbf{E}

\mathbf{E} fields at matter/vacuum interface

Boundary conditions on \mathbf{E} from Faraday's Law $\oint_C \mathbf{E} \cdot d\boldsymbol{\ell} = -\frac{d}{dt} \int_S \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{S}$



$$\oint_C \mathbf{E} \cdot d\boldsymbol{\ell} = E_L \cdot d\ell_L + E_R \cdot d\ell_R \quad (\text{as } \Delta t \rightarrow 0)$$

$$\int_S \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{S} \rightarrow 0 \quad (\text{as } \Delta t \rightarrow 0)$$

$$-E_L \sin \theta_L d\ell_L + E_R \sin \theta_R d\ell_R = 0$$

$$E_L \sin \theta_L = E_R \sin \theta_R$$

$$E_{\parallel L} = E_{\parallel R}$$

E_{\parallel} continuous

Boundary conditions on \mathbf{H}

\mathbf{H} fields at matter/vacuum interface

Boundary conditions on \mathbf{H} from Ampère's Law $\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{j}_{\text{free}} + \partial \mathbf{D} / \partial t$

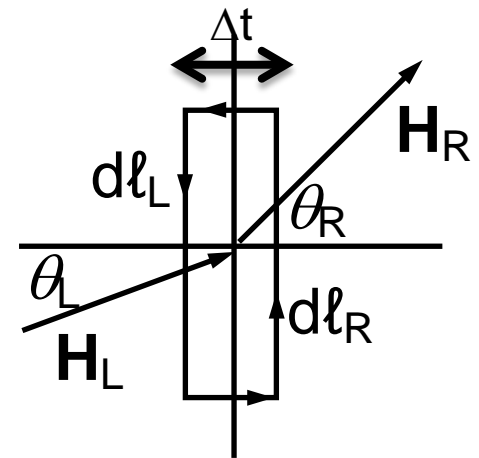
$$\int (\nabla \times \mathbf{H}) \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \int \left(\mathbf{j}_{\text{free}} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} \right) \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \oint \mathbf{H} \cdot d\boldsymbol{\ell}$$

\mathbf{D} , $\partial \mathbf{D} / \partial t$ are everywhere finite, so as $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$, $\int \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} \cdot d\mathbf{S} \rightarrow 0$

For materials of finite conductivity, \mathbf{j}_{free} is finite,
so $\int \mathbf{j}_{\text{free}} \cdot d\mathbf{S} \rightarrow 0$ as $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$

For materials of infinite conductivity, \mathbf{j}_{free} is infinite,
so $\int \mathbf{j}_{\text{free}} \cdot d\mathbf{S} \rightarrow j_{\text{free,surface}} d\ell$ as $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$

$j_{\text{free,surface}}$ is surface current per unit length



Boundary conditions on \mathbf{H}

$$\oint \mathbf{H} \cdot d\boldsymbol{\ell} = j_{\text{free, surface}} d\ell$$

$$-H_L \sin \theta_L d\ell_L + H_R \sin \theta_R d\ell_R = j_{\text{free, surface}} d\ell$$

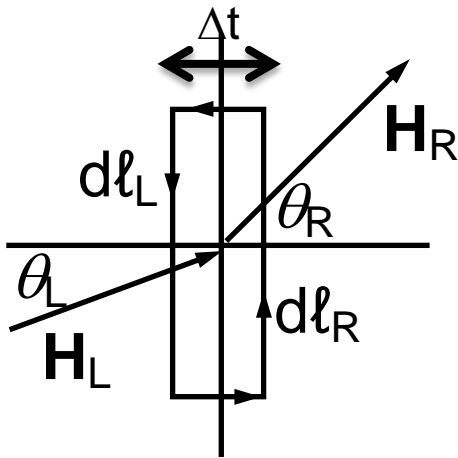
$$H_R \sin \theta_R d\ell = H_L \sin \theta_L d\ell + j_{\text{free, surface}} d\ell$$

$$H_{\parallel R} = H_{\parallel L} + j_{\text{free, surface}}$$

$$H_{\perp R} = H_{\perp L}$$

Infinite conductivity at interface

Finite conductivity at interface



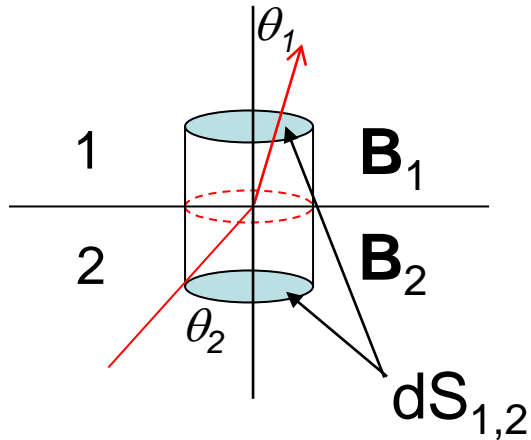
Boundary conditions on \mathbf{B}

\mathbf{B} field at matter/vacuum interface

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0 \Rightarrow \int_S \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = 0$$

$$B_1 \cos \theta_1 dS - B_2 \cos \theta_2 dS = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow B_{1\perp} = B_{2\perp}$$



Boundary conditions on \mathbf{D}

\mathbf{D} field at matter/vacuum interface

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = \rho_{\text{free}}$$

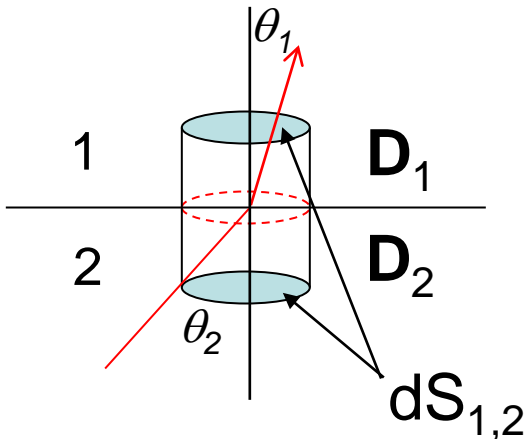
$$\int \mathbf{D} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \int \rho_{\text{free}} dv$$

$$\int \mathbf{D} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = 0$$

No free charges at interface

$$\int \mathbf{D} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \int \nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} dv = \sigma_{\text{free}} dS$$

Free charge density σ_{free} at interface



$$\int \mathbf{D}_1 \cdot d\mathbf{S}_1 + \int \mathbf{D}_2 \cdot d\mathbf{S}_2 = \int \rho_{\text{free}} dv$$

$$D_{\perp 1} dS - D_{\perp 2} dS = \sigma_{\text{free}} dS \quad dS_1 = dS_2 = dS$$

$$D_{\perp 1} = D_{\perp 2}$$

No interface free charges

$$D_{\perp 1} - D_{\perp 2} = \sigma_{\text{free}}$$

Interface free charges

Boundary conditions summary

$$E_{\parallel L} = E_{\parallel R}$$

$$B_{\perp 1} = B_{\perp 2}$$

$$D_{\perp 1} = D_{\perp 2}$$

$$D_{\perp 1} - D_{\perp 2} = \sigma_{\text{free}}$$

$$H_{\parallel R} = H_{\parallel L}$$

$$H_{\parallel R} = H_{\parallel L} + j_{\text{free, surface}}$$

E_{\parallel} continuous

B_{\perp} continuous

D_{\perp} continuous No interface free charges
Interface free charges

H_{\parallel} continuous Finite conductivity at interface
Infinite conductivity at interface

Fresnel Equations

Reflection coefficient R and Transmission coefficient T

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} - \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \epsilon \partial^2 \mathbf{E} / \partial t^2 = 0$$

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, t) = E_0 \mathbf{e}_x \operatorname{Re}\{e^{i(\omega t - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r})}\} \quad \mathbf{k} = \omega \sqrt{(\mu_0 \mu \epsilon_0 \epsilon)}$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -i \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E} \quad \text{take curl of plane wave } \mathbf{E}$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\partial \mathbf{B} / \partial t \quad \text{Faraday's law}$$

$$-\partial \mathbf{B} / \partial t = -i\omega \mathbf{B} \quad \text{time harmonic, plane wave } \mathbf{B}$$

$$-i\omega \mathbf{B} = -i \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E} / \omega = k \mathbf{e}_k \times \mathbf{E} / \omega = \omega \sqrt{(\mu_0 \mu \epsilon_0 \epsilon)} \mathbf{e}_k \times \mathbf{E} / \omega = \sqrt{(\mu \epsilon)} \mathbf{e}_k \times \mathbf{E} / c$$

Fresnel Equations

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E} / \omega = k \mathbf{e}_k \times \mathbf{E} / \omega = \omega \sqrt{(\mu_0 \mu \epsilon_0 \epsilon)} \mathbf{e}_k \times \mathbf{E} / \omega = \sqrt{(\mu \epsilon)} \mathbf{e}_k \times \mathbf{E} / c$$

$$\mathbf{N} = \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B} / \mu_0 \mu = \mathbf{E} \times (\sqrt{(\mu_0 \mu \epsilon_0 \epsilon)} \mathbf{e}_k \times \mathbf{E}) / \mu_0 \mu$$

$$N = E^2 \sqrt{(\epsilon_0 \epsilon / \mu_0 \mu)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R = \text{reflected energy} / \text{incident energy} &= E_R^2 \sqrt{(\epsilon_0 \epsilon_1 / \mu_0 \mu_1)} / E_I^2 \sqrt{(\epsilon_0 \epsilon_1 / \mu_0 \mu_1)} \\ &= E_R^2 / E_I^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T = \text{transmitted energy} / \text{incident energy} &= E_T^2 \sqrt{(\epsilon_0 \epsilon_2 / \mu_0 \mu_2)} / E_I^2 \sqrt{(\epsilon_0 \epsilon_1 / \mu_0 \mu_1)} \\ &= E_T^2 / E_I^2 n_2 / n_1 \quad (\text{if } \mu_1 = \mu_2 = 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$R = E_R^2 / E_I^2$$

$$T = E_T^2 / E_I^2 n_2 / n_1$$

Fresnel Equations

Normal Incidence

$$n_1 = \sqrt{\epsilon_1}$$

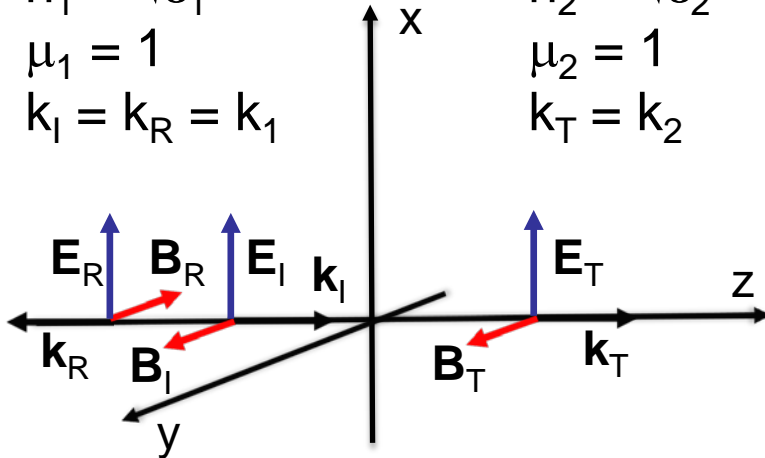
$$\mu_1 = 1$$

$$k_I = k_R = k_1$$

$$n_2 = \sqrt{\epsilon_2}$$

$$\mu_2 = 1$$

$$k_T = k_2$$



Fields

$$\mathbf{E}_I = \mathbf{e}_x E_{oI} e^{i(\omega t - k_1 z)}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_I = \mathbf{e}_y B_{oI} e^{i(\omega t - k_1 z)}$$

$$\mathbf{E}_R = \mathbf{e}_x E_{oR} e^{i(\omega t + k_1 z)}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_R = -\mathbf{e}_y B_{oR} e^{i(\omega t + k_1 z)}$$

$$\mathbf{E}_T = \mathbf{e}_x E_{oT} e^{i(\omega t - k_2 z)}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_T = \mathbf{e}_y B_{oT} e^{i(\omega t - k_2 z)}$$

Boundary conditions

$$E_{\parallel 1} = E_{\parallel 2}$$

$$E_{oI} + E_{oR} = E_{oT}$$

$$B_{\perp} = D_{\perp} = 0 \quad (\text{normal incidence})$$

$$H_{\parallel 1} = H_{\parallel 2}$$

$$(B_{oI} - B_{oR}) / \mu_1 \mu_0 = B_{oT} / \mu_2 \mu_0$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mu \mu_0 \mathbf{H} \quad \mu_1 = \mu_2 = 1$$

Fresnel Equations

$$B_{oI} = n_1 E_{oI} / c$$

$$B_{oR} = n_1 E_{oR} / c$$

$$B_{oT} = n_2 E_{oT} / c$$

$$n_1 (E_{oI} - E_{oR}) = n_2 E_{oT} \quad \text{from } B_{oI} - B_{oR} = B_{oT} \text{ when } \mu_1 = \mu_2 = 1$$

$$E_{oI} + E_{oR} = E_{oT}$$

$$E_{oT} = E_{oI} + E_{oR} = n_1 (E_{oI} - E_{oR}) / n_2 \quad \text{Eliminate } E_{oT}$$

$$E_{oR} (n_1 + n_2) = E_{oI} (n_1 - n_2)$$

$$E_{oR} / E_{oI} = (n_1 - n_2) / (n_1 + n_2) \quad E_{oR} / E_{oI} < 0 \text{ if } n_1 < n_2 \Rightarrow \pi \text{ change of phase}$$

Fresnel Equations

$$n_1 (E_{oi} - E_{oR}) = n_2 E_{oT}$$

Eliminate E_{oR}

$$E_{oi} + E_{oR} = E_{oT}$$

$$E_{oR} = E_{oT} - E_{oi} = E_{oi} - n_2 E_{oT} / n_1$$

$$E_{oT} (n_1 + n_2) = 2n_1 E_{oi}$$

$$E_{oT} / E_{oi} = 2n_1 / (n_1 + n_2)$$

$$(E_{oR} / E_{oi})^2 + (E_{oT} / E_{oi})^2 = (n_1 - n_2)^2 / (n_1 + n_2)^2 + 4n_1^2 / (n_1 + n_2)^2 \neq 1!$$

Fresnel Equations

Reflectivity

$$R_{\perp} = (E_{oR} / E_{oi})^2 = (n_1 - n_2)^2 / (n_1 + n_2)^2$$

Transmittivity

$$T_{\perp} = (E_{oT} / E_{oi})^2 \sqrt{(\mu_2 \epsilon_2)} / \sqrt{(\mu_1 \epsilon_1)} = 4n_1^2 / (n_1 + n_2)^2 (n_2 / n_1) = 4n_1 n_2 / (n_1 + n_2)^2$$

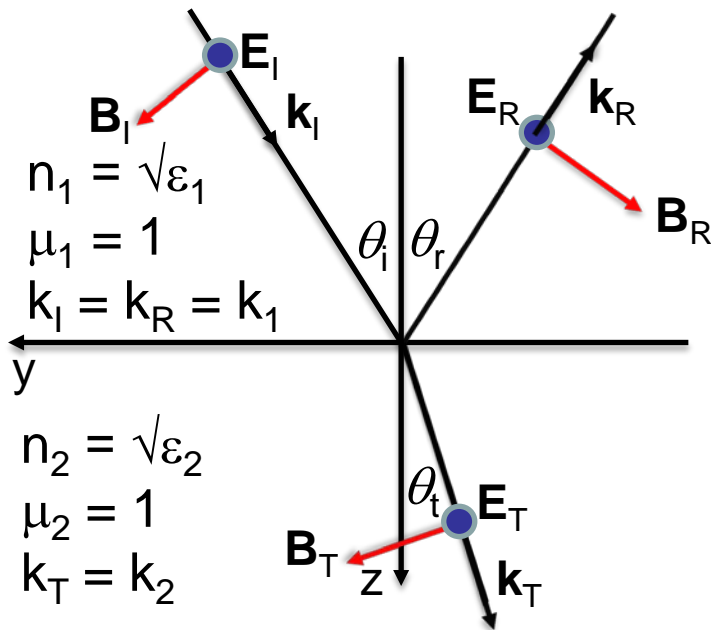
Energy conservation

$$R_{\perp} + T_{\perp} = (n_1 - n_2)^2 / (n_1 + n_2)^2 + 4n_1 n_2 / (n_1 + n_2)^2 = 1$$

Fresnel Equations

Off-normal incidence, s-polarisation

Fields



$$\mathbf{E}_i = \mathbf{e}_x E_{oi} e^{i(\omega t - k_1 \cdot \mathbf{r})}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_i = (\mathbf{e}_y \cos \theta_i + \mathbf{e}_z \sin \theta_i) B_{oi} e^{i(\omega t - k_1 \cdot \mathbf{r})}$$

$$\mathbf{E}_R = \mathbf{e}_x E_{oR} e^{i(\omega t + k_1 \cdot \mathbf{r})}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_R = (-\mathbf{e}_y \cos \theta_r + \mathbf{e}_z \sin \theta_r) B_{oR} e^{i(\omega t + k_1 \cdot \mathbf{r})}$$

$$\mathbf{E}_T = \mathbf{e}_x E_{oT} e^{i(\omega t - k_2 \cdot \mathbf{r})}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_T = (\mathbf{e}_y \cos \theta_t + \mathbf{e}_z \sin \theta_t) B_{oT} e^{i(\omega t - k_2 \cdot \mathbf{r})}$$

Boundary conditions

$$E_{\parallel 1} = E_{\parallel 2}$$

$$E_{oi} + E_{oR} = E_{oT}$$

$$H_{\parallel 1} = H_{\parallel 2}$$

$$(B_{oi} - B_{oR}) \cos \theta_i / \mu_1 \mu_0 = B_{oT} \cos \theta_t / \mu_2 \mu_0 \quad \mu_1 = \mu_2 = 1$$

Fresnel Equations

$\mathbf{B} = \sqrt{(\mu\epsilon)} \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E} / ck = n / (ck) \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E}$ in uniform dielectric

$$B_{oI} = n_1 E_{oI} / c$$

$$B_{oR} = n_1 E_{oR} / c$$

$$B_{oT} = n_2 E_{oT} / c$$

$n_1 (E_{oI} - E_{oR}) \cos \theta_i = n_2 E_{oT} \cos \theta_t$ from $(B_{oI} - B_{oR}) \cos \theta_i / \mu_1 \mu_0 = B_{oT} \cos \theta_t / \mu_2 \mu_0$
with $\mu_1 = \mu_2 = 1$

$$E_{oI} + E_{oR} = E_{oT}$$

Eliminate E_{oT}

$$E_{oT} = E_{oI} + E_{oR} = n_1 (E_{oI} - E_{oR}) \cos \theta_i / (n_2 \cos \theta_t)$$

$$E_{oR} (n_1 \cos \theta_i + n_2 \cos \theta_t) = E_{oI} (n_1 \cos \theta_i - n_2 \cos \theta_t)$$

$$E_{oR} / E_{oI} = (n_1 \cos \theta_i - n_2 \cos \theta_t) / (n_1 \cos \theta_i + n_2 \cos \theta_t)$$

Fresnel Equations

$$n_1 \cos \theta_i (E_{oi} - E_{oR}) = n_2 \cos \theta_t E_{oT} \quad \text{Eliminate } E_{oR}$$

$$E_{oi} + E_{oR} = E_{oT}$$

$$E_{oR} = E_{oT} - E_{oi} = E_{oi} - n_2 \cos \theta_t E_{oT} / (n_1 \cos \theta_i)$$

$$E_{oT} (n_1 \cos \theta_i + n_2 \cos \theta_t) = 2n_1 \cos \theta_i E_{oi}$$

$$E_{oT} / E_{oi} = 2n_1 \cos \theta_i / (n_1 \cos \theta_i + n_2 \cos \theta_t)$$

Reflectivity

$$R_S = (E_{oR} / E_{oi})^2 = (n_1 \cos \theta_i - n_2 \cos \theta_t)^2 / (n_1 \cos \theta_i + n_2 \cos \theta_t)^2$$

Fresnel Equations

Transmittivity

$$\begin{aligned}T_S &= (E_{oT} / E_{oi})^2 \sqrt{(\mu_2 \epsilon_2) \cos \theta_t} / \sqrt{(\mu_1 \epsilon_1) \cos \theta_i} \\&= 4n_1^2 \cos^2 \theta_i / (n_1 \cos \theta_i + n_2 \cos \theta_t)^2 (n_2 \cos \theta_t / n_1 \cos \theta_i) \\&= 4n_1 n_2 \cos \theta_i \cos \theta_t / (n_1 \cos \theta_i + n_2 \cos \theta_t)^2\end{aligned}$$

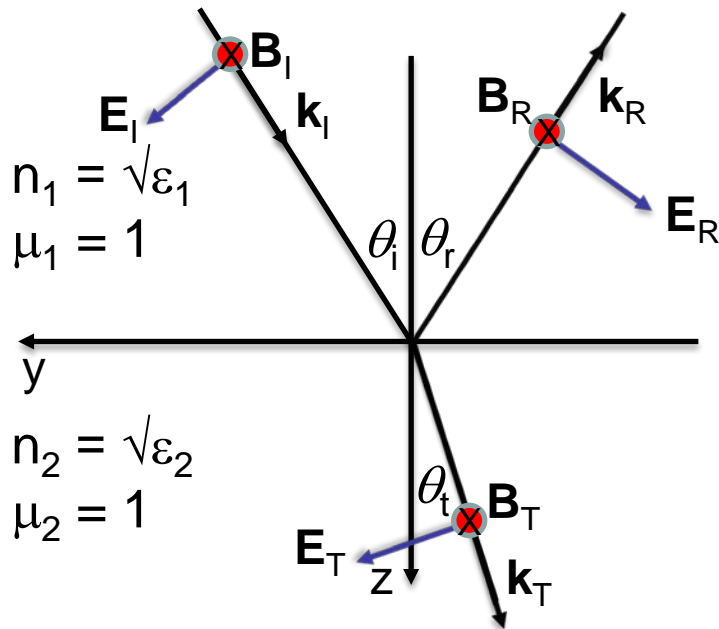
Energy conservation

$$\begin{aligned}R+T &= (n_1 \cos \theta_i - n_2 \cos \theta_t)^2 / (n_1 \cos \theta_i + n_2 \cos \theta_t)^2 + 4n_1 n_2 \cos^2 \theta_i / (n_1 \cos \theta_i + n_2 \cos \theta_t)^2 \\&= (n_1^2 \cos^2 \theta_i - 2n_1 n_2 \cos \theta_i \cos \theta_t + n_2^2 \cos^2 \theta_t + 4n_1 n_2 \cos \theta_i \cos \theta_t) / (n_1 \cos \theta_i + n_2 \cos \theta_t)^2 \\&= 1\end{aligned}$$

Fresnel Equations

Off-normal incidence, p-polarisation

Fields



$$\mathbf{E}_i = (\mathbf{e}_y \cos \theta_i + \mathbf{e}_z \sin \theta_i) E_{oi} e^{i(\omega t - \mathbf{k}_1 \cdot \mathbf{r})}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_i = -\mathbf{e}_x B_{oi} e^{i(\omega t - \mathbf{k}_1 \cdot \mathbf{r})}$$

$$\mathbf{E}_r = (-\mathbf{e}_y \cos \theta_r + \mathbf{e}_z \sin \theta_r) E_{or} e^{i(\omega t + \mathbf{k}_1 \cdot \mathbf{r})}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_r = -\mathbf{e}_x B_{or} e^{i(\omega t + \mathbf{k}_1 \cdot \mathbf{r})}$$

$$\mathbf{E}_t = (\mathbf{e}_y \cos \theta_t + \mathbf{e}_z \sin \theta_t) E_{ot} e^{i(\omega t - \mathbf{k}_2 \cdot \mathbf{r})}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_t = -\mathbf{e}_x B_{ot} e^{i(\omega t - \mathbf{k}_2 \cdot \mathbf{r})}$$

Boundary conditions

$$E_{\parallel 1} = E_{\parallel 2} \quad (E_{oi} - E_{or}) \cos \theta_i = E_{ot} \cos \theta_t$$

$$H_{\parallel 1} = H_{\parallel 2} \quad (B_{oi} + B_{or}) / \mu_1 \mu_0 = B_{ot} / \mu_2 \mu_0 \quad \mu_1 = \mu_2 = 1$$

Fresnel Equations

$$\mathbf{B} = \sqrt{(\mu\varepsilon)} \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E} / ck = n / (ck) \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E} \quad \text{in uniform dielectric}$$

$$B_{oI} = n_1 E_{oI} / c$$

$$B_{oR} = n_1 E_{oR} / c$$

$$B_{oT} = n_2 E_{oT} / c$$

$$n_1 (E_{oI} + E_{oR}) = n_2 E_{oT} \quad \text{from } (B_{oI} + B_{oR}) / \mu_1 \mu_0 = B_{oT} / \mu_2 \mu_0 \quad \text{with } \mu_1 = \mu_2 = 1$$

$$(E_{oI} - E_{oR}) \cos \theta_i = E_{oT} \cos \theta_t$$

$$E_{oT} = (E_{oI} + E_{oR}) n_1 / n_2 = (E_{oI} - E_{oR}) \cos \theta_i / \cos \theta_t \quad \text{Eliminate } E_{oT}$$

$$E_{oR} (n_1 / n_2 + \cos \theta_i / \cos \theta_t) = E_{oI} (-n_1 / n_2 + \cos \theta_i / \cos \theta_t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} E_{oR} / E_{oI} &= (-n_1 / n_2 + \cos \theta_i / \cos \theta_t) / (n_1 / n_2 + \cos \theta_i / \cos \theta_t) \\ &= (n_2 \cos \theta_i - n_1 \cos \theta_t) / (n_2 \cos \theta_i + n_1 \cos \theta_t) \end{aligned}$$

Fresnel Equations

Reflectivity

$$R_P = (E_{oR} / E_{oi})^2 = (n_2 \cos \theta_i - n_1 \cos \theta_t)^2 / (n_2 \cos \theta_i + n_1 \cos \theta_t)^2$$

$$E_{oR} = E_{oT} n_2 / n_1 - E_{oi} = E_{oi} - E_{oT} \cos \theta_t / \cos \theta_i$$

Eliminate E_{oR}

$$E_{oT} (n_2 / n_1 + \cos \theta_t / \cos \theta_i) = 2E_{oi}$$

$$E_{oT} / E_{oi} = 2E_{oi} / (n_2 / n_1 + \cos \theta_t / \cos \theta_i)$$

$$E_{oT} / E_{oi} = 2 / (n_2 / n_1 + \cos \theta_t / \cos \theta_i) = 2n_1 \cos \theta_i / (n_1 \cos \theta_t + n_2 \cos \theta_i)$$

Fresnel Equations

Transmittivity

$$\begin{aligned}T_P &= (E_{oT} / E_{oi})^2 \sqrt{(\mu_2 \epsilon_2) \cos \theta_t} / \sqrt{(\mu_1 \epsilon_1) \cos \theta_i} \\ &= 4n_1^2 \cos^2 \theta_i n_2 \cos \theta_t / (n_1 \cos \theta_t + n_2 \cos \theta_i)^2 n_1 \cos \theta_i \\ &= 4n_1 \cos \theta_i n_2 \cos \theta_t / (n_1 \cos \theta_t + n_2 \cos \theta_i)^2\end{aligned}$$

Energy conservation

$$R_P + T_P = ((n_2 \cos \theta_i - n_1 \cos \theta_t)^2 + 4n_1 \cos \theta_i n_2 \cos \theta_t) / (n_2 \cos \theta_i + n_1 \cos \theta_t)^2 = 1$$

Fresnel Equations

Normal incidence

$$R_{\perp} = (n_1 - n_2)^2 / (n_1 + n_2)^2$$

$$T_{\perp} = 4 n_1 n_2 / (n_1 + n_2)^2$$

S-polarisation

$$R_S = (n_1 \cos \theta_i - n_2 \cos \theta_t)^2 / (n_1 \cos \theta_i + n_2 \cos \theta_t)^2$$

$$T_S = 4 n_1 n_2 \cos \theta_i \cos \theta_t / (n_1 \cos \theta_i + n_2 \cos \theta_t)^2$$

P-polarisation

$$R_P = (n_2 \cos \theta_i - n_1 \cos \theta_t)^2 / (n_2 \cos \theta_i + n_1 \cos \theta_t)^2$$

$$T_P = 4 n_1 n_2 \cos \theta_i \cos \theta_t / (n_1 \cos \theta_t + n_2 \cos \theta_i)^2$$

Energy conservation

$R + T = 1$ in each case

Fresnel Equations

Light polarisation by reflection - the Brewster angle

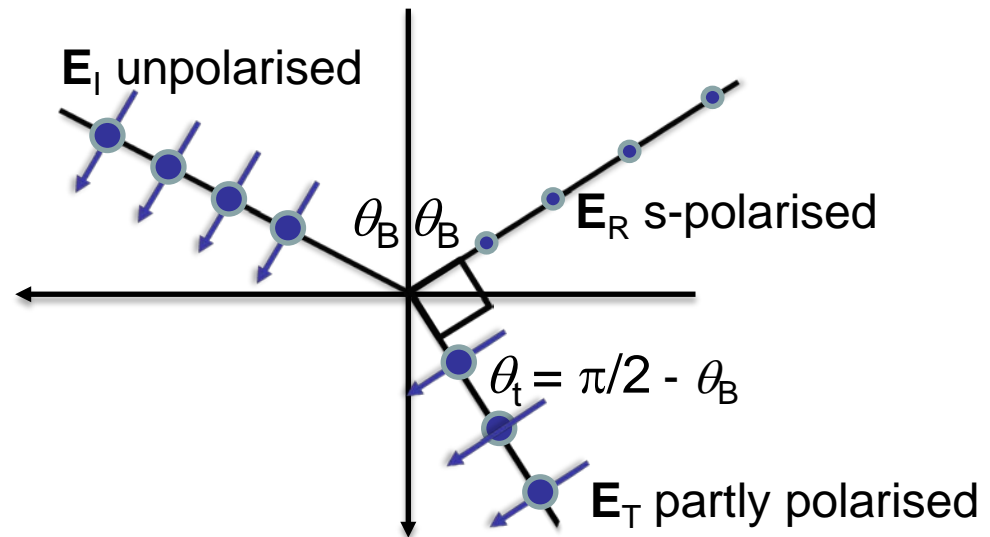
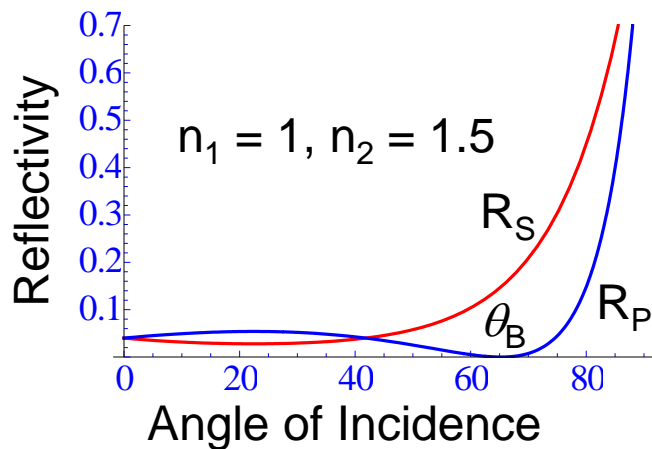
$$R_S = (n_1 \cos \theta_i - n_2 \cos \theta_t)^2 / (n_1 \cos \theta_i + n_2 \cos \theta_t)^2$$

$$R_P = (n_2 \cos \theta_i - n_1 \cos \theta_t)^2 / (n_2 \cos \theta_i + n_1 \cos \theta_t)^2$$

If $n_1 < n_2$ (e.g. $n_1 = 1$, $n_2 > 1$), $\theta_i > \theta_t$ then $n_1 \cos \theta_i < n_2 \cos \theta_t$

Consequently $R_S \neq 0$ for any θ_i

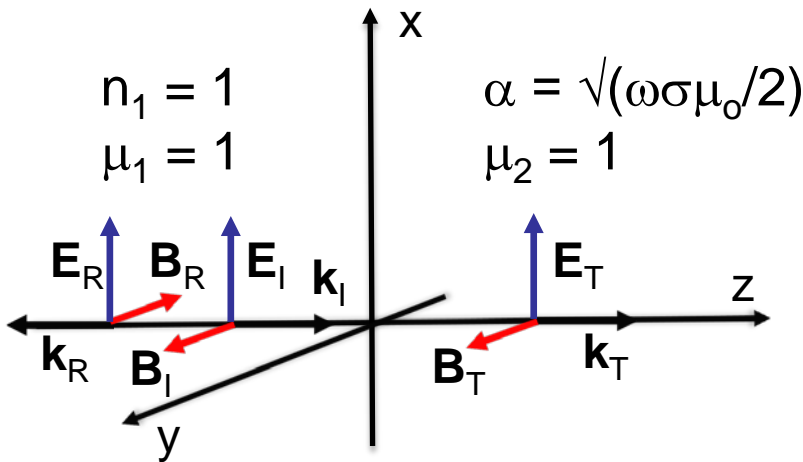
If $n_1 < n_2$, $n_2 \cos \theta_i = n_1 \cos \theta_t$ then $R_P = 0$ for $\theta_i = \theta_B$ **Brewster angle**



Fresnel Equations

Normal Incidence, metal-vacuum interfaces

Fields



$$\mathbf{E}_I = \mathbf{e}_x E_{oI} e^{i(\omega t - k_1 z)}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_I = \mathbf{e}_y B_{oI} e^{i(\omega t - k_1 z)}$$

$$\mathbf{E}_R = \mathbf{e}_x E_{oR} e^{i(\omega t + k_1 z)}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_R = -\mathbf{e}_y B_{oR} e^{i(\omega t + k_1 z)}$$

$$\mathbf{E}_T = \mathbf{e}_x E_{oT} e^{i(\omega t - \alpha z)} e^{-\alpha z}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_T = \mathbf{e}_y B_{oT} e^{i(\omega t - \alpha z)} e^{-\alpha z}$$

Boundary conditions

$$E_{\parallel 1} = E_{\parallel 2}$$

$$E_{oI} + E_{oR} = E_{oT}$$

$$B_{\perp} = D_{\perp} = 0 \quad (\text{normal incidence})$$

$$H_{\parallel 1} = H_{\parallel 2}$$

$$(B_{oI} - B_{oR}) / \mu_1 \mu_0 = B_{oT} / \mu_2 \mu_0$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mu \mu_0 \mathbf{H} \quad \mu_1 = \mu_2 = 1$$

Fresnel Equations

$\mathbf{B} \neq \sqrt{(\mu\epsilon)} \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E} / c$ in lossy matter, use Faraday's law instead $\nabla \times \mathbf{E}_T = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}_T}{\partial t}$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E}_T = -\mathbf{e}_y E_{oT} e^{i(\omega t - \alpha z)} e^{-\alpha z} \alpha(1 + i)$$

$$-\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}_T}{\partial t} = -i\omega \mathbf{e}_y B_{oT} e^{i(\omega t - \alpha z)} e^{-\alpha z}$$

$$E_{oT} \alpha(1 + i) = i\omega B_{oT}$$

$$B_{oI} = n_1 E_{oI} / c$$

$$B_{oR} = n_1 E_{oR} / c$$

$$B_{oT} = \alpha(1 - i) E_{oT} / \omega$$

$$H_{\parallel 1} = H_{\parallel 2} \text{ becomes } n_1 (E_{oI} - E_{oR}) / c = \alpha(1 - i) E_{oT} / \omega \quad \alpha = \sqrt{(\omega\sigma\mu_0/2)}$$

$$E_{\parallel 1} = E_{\parallel 2} \text{ becomes } E_{oI} + E_{oR} = E_{oT}$$

$$\text{set } n_1 = \mu_1 = \mu_2 = 1$$

Fresnel Equations

$$(E_{oI} - E_{oR}) / c = \alpha(1 - i) E_{oT} / \omega$$

$$E_{oI} + E_{oR} = E_{oT}$$

Eliminate E_{oT}

$$E_{oT} = E_{oI} + E_{oR} = (E_{oI} - E_{oR}) / a(1 - i) \quad a = \omega / \alpha c = \sqrt{(\sigma / 2\varepsilon_0 \omega)}$$

$$E_{oR} (a(1 - i) + 1) = E_{oI} (1 - a(1 - i))$$

$$E_{oR} / E_{oI} = (1 - a(1 - i)) / (1 + a(1 - i))$$

$$R_{\perp} = |E_{oR} / E_{oI}|^2 \approx 1 - 2 / a = 1 - 2 \sqrt{(2\varepsilon_0 \omega / \sigma)}$$

For Cu metal, $\sigma = 6.7 \times 10^7 (\Omega\text{m})^{-1}$ For $\omega = 7 \times 10^{14}$ $R_{\perp} \approx 1 - 2.8 \times 10^{-2} = 0.97$