

$$\Rightarrow R_{\perp} = R_{\parallel} = 1 \quad \text{when material b}$$

this confirms that material b is totally reflecting in this region of frequency

when medium b is transparent, i.e. ϵ_b is real and $\epsilon_b > 0$ we have

$$k_{Iz} = \omega \sqrt{\mu_a \epsilon_a} \cos \theta_I = \frac{\omega}{c} m_a \cos \theta_I$$

$$k_{Tz} = \omega \sqrt{\mu_b \epsilon_b} \cos \theta_T = \frac{\omega}{c} m_b \cos \theta_T$$

and Snell's Law applies, so $m_a \sin \theta_I = m_b \sin \theta_T \Rightarrow \frac{m_b}{m_a} = \frac{\sin \theta_I}{\sin \theta_T}$

we can now write $R_{\perp}$ and $R_{\parallel}$ as functions of θ_I

For simplicity take $\mu_a = \mu_b = \mu_0$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \quad R_{\perp} &= \left(\frac{m_a \cos \theta_I - m_b \cos \theta_T}{m_a \cos \theta_I + m_b \cos \theta_T} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{\cos \theta_I - \left(\frac{\sin \theta_I}{\sin \theta_T} \right) \cos \theta_T}{\cos \theta_I + \left(\frac{\sin \theta_I}{\sin \theta_T} \right) \cos \theta_T} \right)^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{\sin \theta_T \cos \theta_I - \sin \theta_I \cos \theta_T}{\sin \theta_T \cos \theta_I + \sin \theta_I \cos \theta_T} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{\sin(\theta_I - \theta_T)}{\sin(\theta_I + \theta_T)} \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

answering

for $\theta_I = 0$, i.e. normal incidence, $\theta_I = \theta_T = 0$

$$\Rightarrow R_{\perp} = \left(\frac{m_a - m_b}{m_a + m_b} \right)^2 \quad \text{if } m_a = m_b, \text{ no reflection!}$$

$$(2) \quad R_{II} = \left(\frac{\epsilon_b m_a \cos \theta_I - \epsilon_a m_b \cos \theta_T}{\epsilon_b m_a \cos \theta_I + \epsilon_a m_b \cos \theta_T} \right)^2$$

use $\sqrt{\epsilon_b \mu_0} = \frac{m_b}{c}$

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon_b = \frac{m_b^2}{c^2 \mu_0} = m_b^2 \epsilon_0$$

$$\epsilon_a = n_a^2 \epsilon_0$$

$$= \left(\frac{m_b \cos \theta_I - m_a \cos \theta_T}{m_b \cos \theta_I + m_a \cos \theta_T} \right)^2$$

$$= \left(\frac{\cos \theta_I - \left(\frac{\sin \theta_T}{\sin \theta_I} \right) \cos \theta_T}{\cos \theta_I + \left(\frac{\sin \theta_T}{\sin \theta_I} \right) \cos \theta_T} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{\sin \theta_I \cos \theta_I - \sin \theta_T \cos \theta_T}{\sin \theta_I \cos \theta_I + \sin \theta_T \cos \theta_T} \right)^2$$

$$R_{11} = \left(\frac{\tan(\theta_I - \theta_T)}{\tan(\theta_I + \theta_T)} \right)^2 \Leftarrow \text{after some algebra}$$

for $\theta_I = 0 \Rightarrow \theta_T = 0$

$$R_{11} = \left(\frac{E_b m_a - E_a m_b}{E_b m_a + E_a m_b} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{m_b - m_a}{m_b + m_a} \right)^2$$

same as for R_1 !

But when $\theta_I = 0$
there is no distinction
between the two case
I and II, so this
is to be expected.

When $\theta_I + \theta_T = \pi/2$, then

$$\tan(\theta_I + \theta_T) \rightarrow \infty \text{ and } R_{||} = 0.$$

This occurs at an angle of incidence $\theta_I \equiv \theta_B$ "Brewster's angle"

$$\theta_B \text{ determined by } m_a \sin \theta_B = m_b \sin \left(\underbrace{\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta_B}_{= \theta_T} \right) = m_b \cos \theta_B$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \theta_B = \frac{m_b}{m_a}$$

For a wave incident at θ_B , the reflected wave will always have $\vec{E}_R \perp$ plane of incidence, no matter what orientation of incoming $\vec{E}_I$, since $R_{||} = 0$. ~~That is only $R_{\perp} \neq 0$, so reflected wave can only have $\vec{E} \perp$ plane of incidence.~~ If incoming wave has component of $\vec{E}_I \parallel$ to plane of incidence, this component gets purely transmitted since $R_{||} = 0$. Only the component of $\vec{E}_I \perp$ to plane of incidence can get reflected, since $R_{\perp} \neq 0$. $\Rightarrow$ reflected wave is polarized with $\vec{E}_R \perp$ to plane of incidence.

Generally, for all θ_I close to θ_B , $R_{||} \ll R_{\perp}$, and the reflected wave is strongly polarized with $\vec{E}_R$ mostly $\perp$ to plane of incidence.

This is therefore one method to create a polarized light wave.

Additional notes on Reflection & Transmission Coefficients

For a transparent medium, the energy current can be written as (see text 9.3.1)

$$\vec{S} = \frac{1}{\mu} (\vec{E} \times \vec{B}) = \vec{E} \times \vec{H} \quad (\text{in a vacuum } \mu = \mu_0)$$

For a plane wave $\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{E}_0 \cos(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)$ $\vec{E}_0 \perp \vec{k}$

From lecture 13 we have

$$\vec{H}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{\vec{B}(\vec{r}, t)}{\mu} = \frac{(\hat{k} \times \vec{E}_0) |\vec{k}|}{\omega \mu} \cos(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)$$

(since the medium is transparent, k is real and $k_2 = 0$, $\delta = \arctan \frac{k_2}{k_1} = 0$)

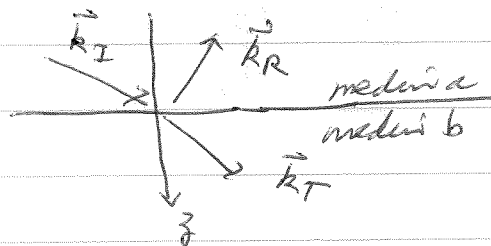
$$\Rightarrow \vec{S} = \vec{E} \times \vec{H} = \frac{|\vec{k}|}{\omega \mu} \underbrace{\vec{E}_0 \times (\hat{k} \times \vec{E}_0)}_{= |\vec{E}_0|^2 \hat{k} \text{ since } \hat{k} \perp \vec{E}_0} \cos^2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)$$

so

$$\langle \vec{S} \rangle = \frac{|\vec{k}|}{2\omega \mu} |\vec{E}_0|^2 \hat{k}$$

$$\text{as } \langle \cos^2(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t) \rangle = 1/2$$

The energy flux of the incident wave going into medium b is



$$\langle \vec{S}_I \rangle \cdot \hat{z} = \frac{|k_I|}{2\omega \mu_a} |\vec{E}_{I0}|^2 (\hat{k}_I \cdot \hat{z}) = \frac{|k_I|}{2\omega \mu_a} |\vec{E}_{I0}|^2 \cos \theta_I$$

The energy flux of the reflected wave is

$$\text{we } \theta_I = \theta_R$$

$$\langle \vec{S}_R \rangle \cdot \hat{z} = \frac{|k_R|}{2\omega \mu_a} |\vec{E}_{R0}|^2 (\hat{k}_R \cdot \hat{z}) = \frac{|k_R|}{2\omega \mu_a} |\vec{E}_{R0}|^2 (-\cos \theta_I)$$

↑
became reflected back

The energy flux of the transmitted wave is

$$\langle \vec{S}_T \rangle \cdot \hat{z} = \frac{|k_T|}{2\omega \mu_b} |\vec{E}_{T0}|^2 (\hat{k}_T \cdot \hat{z}) = \frac{|k_T|}{2\omega \mu_b} |\vec{E}_{T0}|^2 \cos \theta_T$$

Energy in = Energy out

$$\Rightarrow \langle \vec{S}_I \rangle \cdot \hat{z} + \langle \vec{S}_R \rangle \cdot \hat{z} = \langle \vec{S}_T \rangle \cdot \hat{z}$$

$$\langle \vec{S}_I \rangle \cdot \hat{z} = \langle \vec{S}_T \rangle \cdot \hat{z} - \langle \vec{S}_R \rangle \cdot \hat{z}$$

$\uparrow$ this term is > 0 $\uparrow$ this term is < 0

$$|\langle \vec{S}_I \rangle \cdot \hat{z}| = |\langle \vec{S}_T \rangle \cdot \hat{z}| + |\langle \vec{S}_R \rangle \cdot \hat{z}|$$

If we define $R = \frac{|\langle \vec{S}_R \rangle \cdot \hat{z}|}{|\langle \vec{S}_I \rangle \cdot \hat{z}|}$, $T = \frac{|\langle \vec{S}_T \rangle \cdot \hat{z}|}{|\langle \vec{S}_I \rangle \cdot \hat{z}|}$

Then we get

$$1 = T + R$$

Also

$$R = \frac{\frac{|k_R|}{2\omega\mu_0} |\vec{E}_{RW}|^2 \cos\theta_I}{\frac{|k_I|}{2\omega\mu_0} |\vec{E}_{IW}|^2 \cos\theta_I} = \frac{|\vec{E}_{RW}|^2}{|\vec{E}_{IW}|^2} \quad \text{since } |k_I| = |k_R|$$

But

$$T = \frac{\frac{|k_T|}{2\omega\mu_0} |\vec{E}_{TW}|^2 \cos\theta_T}{\frac{|k_I|}{2\omega\mu_0} |\vec{E}_{IW}|^2 \cos\theta_I} \neq \frac{|\vec{E}_{TW}|^2}{|\vec{E}_{IW}|^2}$$

Radiation from moving charges

In Lorentz gauge: $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} = -\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial V}{\partial t}$

potentials solve $\nabla^2 V - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial t^2} \equiv \square^2 V = -\rho/\epsilon_0$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{A} - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial t^2} \equiv \square^2 \vec{A} = -\mu_0 \vec{j}$$

if we know potentials, can get fields from

$$\vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}, \quad \vec{E} = -\vec{\nabla} V - \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t}$$

As in electro and magneto statics, it is easier to solve for V and $\vec{A}$ and then determine $\vec{E}$ and $\vec{B}$, rather than try to solve for $\vec{E}$ and $\vec{B}$ directly.

Recall solutions for statics: $\nabla^2 V = -\rho/\epsilon_0$, $\nabla^2 \vec{A} = -\mu_0 \vec{j}$

$$\Rightarrow V(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int d^3r' \frac{\rho(r')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|} \quad \vec{A}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{j}(r')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|} d^3r'$$

Both solutions follow from the fact that

$$\nabla^2 \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|} \right) = -4\pi \delta(\vec{r}-\vec{r}')$$

$\hat{=}$ Dirac δ -function

$\frac{1}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|}$ is called the "Green's function" for the operator ∇^2

Similarly, if we could find the "Green's function" for the $\square^2$ operator, is a function $G(\vec{r}-\vec{r}', t-t')$ that solved

$$\square^2 G(\vec{r}-\vec{r}', t-t') = -4\pi \delta(\vec{r}-\vec{r}') \delta(t-t')$$

then the solutions to $\square^2 V = -\rho/\epsilon_0$, $\square^2 \vec{A} = -\mu_0 \vec{j}$, would be

$$V(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d^3r' \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt' G(\vec{r}-\vec{r}', t-t') \rho(\vec{r}', t')$$

$$\vec{A}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d^3r' \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt' G(\vec{r}-\vec{r}', t-t') \vec{j}(\vec{r}', t')$$

How to find $G(\vec{r}-\vec{r}', t-t')$? Use Fourier transf method

$$G(\vec{r}, t) = \int d^3k \int d\omega \tilde{G}(\vec{k}, \omega) e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}} e^{-i\omega t}$$

$$\delta(\vec{r}) = \int d^3k \frac{e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}}}{(2\pi)^3} \quad \text{from HW}$$

$$\delta(t) = \int d\omega \frac{e^{-i\omega t}}{2\pi}$$

substitute into $\square^2 G(\vec{r}, t) = -4\pi \delta(\vec{r}) \delta(t)$

$$\int d^3k \int d\omega \tilde{G}(\vec{k}, \omega) \left(\nabla^2 - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \right) e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}} e^{-i\omega t} = -4\pi \int d^3k \int d\omega \frac{e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}} e^{-i\omega t}}{(2\pi)^4}$$

$$\nabla^2 e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}} = -k^2 e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} e^{-i\omega t} = -\omega^2 e^{-i\omega t}$$

$$\int d^3k \int d\omega e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \left(\frac{\omega^2}{c^2} - k^2 \right) \tilde{G}(k, \omega) = \int d^3k \int d\omega e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \frac{(-4\pi)}{(2\pi)^4}$$

equate Fourier coefficients

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{\omega^2}{c^2} - k^2 \right) \tilde{G}(k, \omega) = \frac{-4\pi}{(2\pi)^4}$$

$$\tilde{G}(k, \omega) = \frac{-4\pi}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{c^2}{(\omega^2 - c^2 k^2)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} G(\vec{r}, t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d^3k \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \tilde{G}(k, \omega) \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d^3k \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \frac{(-4\pi c^2)}{(2\pi)^4 (\omega + ck)(\omega - ck)} \end{aligned}$$

integrand diverges when $\omega = \pm ck$

Can evaluate using methods of complex contour integration (see complex variables course)

$$G(\vec{r}, t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 0 \\ \frac{c}{r} \delta(r - ct) & t > 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{where } r = |\vec{r}|$$

$$G(\vec{r}, t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 0 \\ \frac{1}{r} \delta\left(t - \frac{r}{c}\right) & t > 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{as } \delta(ax) = \frac{\delta(x)}{a}$$

$G(\vec{r}, t)$ has a reasonable form:

1) $G(\vec{r}, t) \sim \delta(r-ct) \Rightarrow$ response travels with speed c

response from source at $\vec{r}'=0, t'=0$,
is only felt at ~~time t~~ position $\vec{r}$
at time $t = \frac{r}{c}$ later.

2) If take $c \rightarrow \infty$, $G(\vec{r}, t) \rightarrow \frac{\delta(t)}{r}$ response instantaneous
and $\frac{1}{r}$ is Green's function of ∇^2
expected as $\lim_{c \rightarrow \infty} \square^2 = \nabla^2$.

Explicit check that $G = \frac{c}{r} \delta(r-ct)$

solves $\square^2 G = -4\pi \delta(\vec{r}) \delta(t)$

$$\nabla^2(ab) = a\nabla^2 b + b\nabla^2 a + 2\vec{\nabla}a \cdot \vec{\nabla}b$$

$$\nabla^2 \left[\frac{c}{r} \delta(r-ct) \right] = \frac{c}{r} \nabla^2 \delta(r-ct) + 2 \vec{\nabla} \left(\frac{c}{r} \right) \cdot \vec{\nabla} \delta(r-ct) + \delta(r-ct) \nabla^2 \left(\frac{c}{r} \right)$$

use $\nabla^2 \delta(r-ct) = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \delta(r-ct) \right)$ in spherical coords

$$= \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \delta'(r-ct) \right) = \frac{1}{r^2} \left[2r \delta'(r-ct) + r^2 \delta''(r-ct) \right]$$

$$= \frac{2}{r} \delta'(r-ct) + \delta''(r-ct) \quad \text{here } \delta'(x) = \frac{d\delta(x)}{dx}$$

etc.

$$\vec{\nabla} \left(\frac{c}{r} \right) \cdot \vec{\nabla} \delta(r-ct) = \left(-\frac{c}{r^2} \right) \left(\delta'(r-ct) \right) \quad \text{(evaluated in spherical coords)}$$

$$\nabla^2 \left(\frac{c}{r} \right) = -4\pi \delta(\vec{r}) c$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{so } \nabla^2 \left[\frac{c}{r} \delta(r-ct) \right] &= \frac{c}{r} \left(\frac{2}{r} \delta'(r-ct) + \delta''(r-ct) \right) \\
 &\quad - \frac{2c}{r^2} \delta'(r-ct) - 4\pi c \delta(\vec{r}) \delta(r-ct) \\
 &= \frac{c}{r} \delta''(r-ct) - 4\pi \delta(\vec{r}) \delta\left(t - \frac{r}{c}\right) \quad \text{using } \delta(r-ct) = \frac{\delta(t - \frac{r}{c})}{c} \\
 &= \frac{c}{r} \delta''(r-ct) - 4\pi \delta(\vec{r}) \delta(t) \quad \begin{array}{l} \uparrow \text{ since } r=0 \text{ because of} \\ \delta(r) \text{ term} \end{array}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \left[\frac{c}{r} \delta(r-ct) \right] &= \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left[\frac{c}{r} (-c) \delta'(r-ct) \right] \\
 &= -\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \delta'(r-ct) = \frac{c}{r} \delta''(r-ct)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{so } \left(\nabla^2 - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \right) \left(\frac{c}{r} \delta(r-ct) \right) &= \frac{c}{r} \delta''(r-ct) - 4\pi \delta(\vec{r}) \delta(t) \\
 &\quad - \frac{c}{r} \delta''(r-ct) \\
 &= -4\pi \delta(\vec{r}) \delta(t) \quad \text{as desired}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$V(\vec{r}, t) = \int \frac{d^3 r'}{4\pi \epsilon_0} \frac{\rho(\vec{r}', t')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}$$

where $t' = t - \frac{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}{c}$ "retarded time"
depends on $\vec{r}$ and $\vec{r}'$

$$\vec{A}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int d^3 r' \frac{\vec{j}(\vec{r}', t' = t - \frac{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}{c})}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}$$

general solution to inhomogeneous wave equation