

# PHYSICS 110 B HOMEWORK 4

GRIFFITHS 9.16

$$A e^{iax} + B e^{ibx} = C e^{icx}$$

Set  $x=0$

$$A + B = C$$

Multiply by  $e^{-iax}$

$$A + B e^{i(b-a)x} = C e^{i(c-a)x} \quad (1)$$

Take imaginary part of (1)

$$B \sin(b-a)x = C \sin(c-a)x$$

Clearly this works if  $a=b=c$ . Now assume that this is not true and see if we can get to a contradiction (when  $a, b, c$  are non-zero)

If  $b \neq a$  I can set  $x = \frac{\pi}{b-a}$  which gives  $0 = C \sin \frac{c-a}{b-a} \pi$

For  $C \neq 0$ , I must have  $\frac{c-a}{b-a} = N$  where  $N = \text{integer}$

Similarly if  $c \neq a$  I can set  $x = \frac{\pi}{c-a}$  which gives  $B \sin \frac{b-a}{c-a} \pi = 0$

For  $B \neq 0$ , I must have  $\frac{b-a}{c-a} = M$  where  $M = \text{integer}$

The only way that the two circled equations can work is if  $N=M=1$

This means  $b-a = c-a$  which gives  $b=c$

So I can still have in principle  $b = c \neq a$

Equation (1) then becomes (setting  $c = b$ )

$$A + B e^{i(b-a)x} = C e^{i(b-a)x}$$

$$A e^{i(a-b)x} = C - B$$

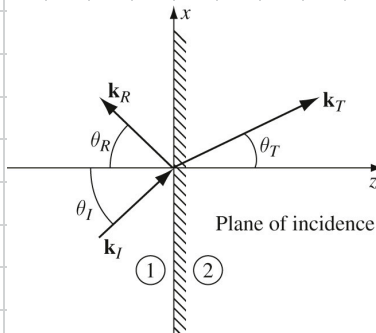
The imaginary part is  $A \sin(a-b)x = 0$

In order for this to work at all values of  $x$ , I must have that  $a = b$  and since  $b = c$ ,  $a = b = c$

CONTRADICTION REACHED

GRIFFITHS 9.17

Will use the sketch from Figure 9.14 in Griffiths



And write the  $\hat{k}$  vectors according to

<http://hep.ucsb.edu/people/claudio/ph110b-f24/GriffithClarification2.pdf>

$$\hat{k}_I = \sin \theta_I \hat{x} + \cos \theta_I \hat{z}$$

$$\hat{k}_R = \sin \theta_R \hat{x} - \cos \theta_R \hat{z}$$

$$\hat{k}_T = \sin \theta_T \hat{x} + \cos \theta_T \hat{z}$$

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Dropping the  $e^{i(\vec{k}\vec{r} - \omega t)}$  terms, on the surface we have

$$\vec{E}_I = E_{0I} \hat{y} \quad \vec{B}_I = \frac{1}{v_1} (\hat{k}_I \times \vec{E}_I) = \frac{E_{0I}}{v_1} \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ \sin\theta_I & 0 & \cos\theta_I \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \frac{E_{0I}}{v_1} \left[ -\cos\theta_I \hat{x} + \sin\theta_I \hat{z} \right]$$

$$\vec{E}_R = E_{0R} \hat{y} \quad \vec{B}_R = \frac{1}{v_1} (\hat{k}_R \times \vec{E}_R) = \frac{E_{0R}}{v_1} \left[ \cos\theta_R \hat{x} + \sin\theta_R \hat{z} \right]$$

$$\vec{E}_T = E_{0T} \hat{y} \quad \vec{B}_T = \frac{E_{0T}}{v_2} \left[ -\cos\theta_T \hat{x} + \sin\theta_T \hat{z} \right]$$

Boundary conditions

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{(i)} \quad \epsilon_1 (\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_{0I} + \tilde{\mathbf{E}}_{0R})_z = \epsilon_2 (\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_{0T})_z, \\ \text{(ii)} \quad (\tilde{\mathbf{B}}_{0I} + \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_{0R})_z = (\tilde{\mathbf{B}}_{0T})_z, \\ \text{(iii)} \quad (\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_{0I} + \tilde{\mathbf{E}}_{0R})_{x,y} = (\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_{0T})_{x,y}, \\ \text{(iv)} \quad \frac{1}{\mu_1} (\tilde{\mathbf{B}}_{0I} + \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_{0R})_{x,y} = \frac{1}{\mu_2} (\tilde{\mathbf{B}}_{0T})_{x,y}, \end{array} \right\}$$

From (i) we get nothing

From (ii) we get  $\frac{1}{v_1} E_{0I} \sin\theta_I + \frac{1}{v_1} E_{0R} \sin\theta_R = \frac{1}{v_2} E_{0T} \sin\theta_T$

Since  $\theta_I = \theta_R$  this becomes  $E_{0I} + E_{0R} = \frac{v_1 \sin\theta_T}{v_2 \sin\theta_I} E_{0T}$

But Snell's law  $\frac{\sin\theta_T}{\sin\theta_I} = \frac{v_2}{v_1} \Rightarrow E_{0I} + E_{0R} = E_{0T}$

From (iii) we get that only the y-component is involved and the equation that we get is exactly the same as the previous one

From (iv) we get  $\frac{1}{\mu_1 v_1} \left[ -\cos\theta_I E_{0I} + \cos\theta_I E_{0R} \right] = -\frac{E_{0T}}{\mu_2 v_2}$

$$E_{0I} - E_{0R} = \frac{\mu_1 v_1 \cos\theta_T}{\mu_2 v_2 \cos\theta_I} E_{0T}$$

$$\text{Using } \alpha = \frac{\cos \theta_T}{\cos \theta_I}$$

$$\beta = \frac{\mu_1 n_1}{\mu_2 n_2}$$

$$E_{O_I} - E_{O_R} = \alpha \beta E_{O_T}$$

The sum of the two circled equations gives

$$2E_{O_I} = (\alpha\beta + 1)E_{O_T}$$

$$E_{O_T} = \frac{2}{\alpha\beta + 1} E_{O_I}$$

Substituting into the 1st circled equation

$$E_{O_I} + E_{O_R} = \frac{2}{\alpha\beta + 1} E_{O_I}$$

$$E_{O_R} = \frac{2 - \alpha\beta - 1}{\alpha\beta + 1} E_{O_I}$$

$$E_{O_R} = \frac{1 - \alpha\beta}{1 + \alpha\beta} E_{O_I}$$

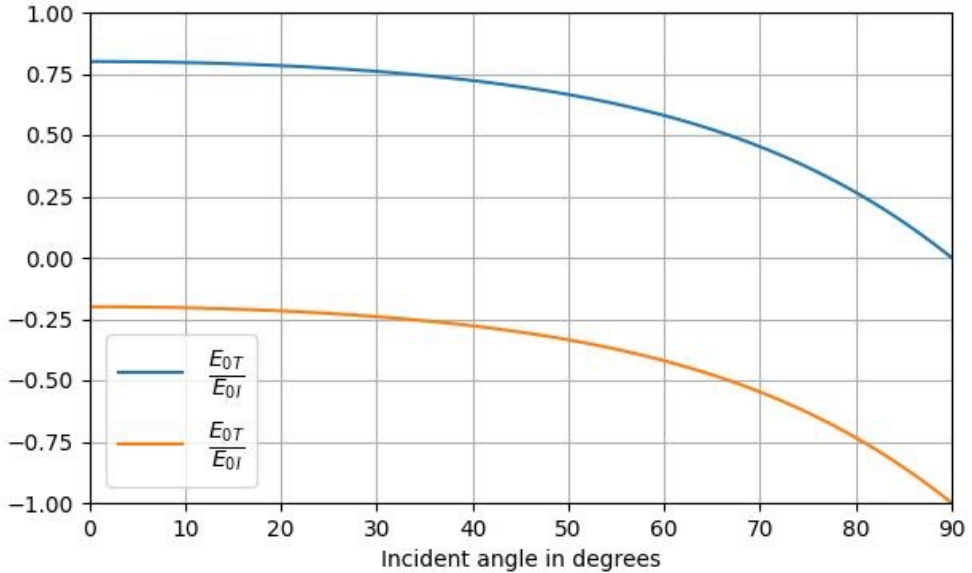
For the required sketch, we need  $\alpha\beta$ . We are also going to use  $\mu_1 = \mu_2$

Equation 9.111 in Griffiths

$$\alpha = \frac{\sqrt{1 - (n_1/n_2)^2 \sin^2 \theta_I}}{\cos \theta_I} = \frac{\sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta_T} \beta^2}{\cos \theta_I}$$

$$\alpha\beta = \frac{\beta \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta_T} \beta^2}{\cos \theta_I} = \frac{\sqrt{\beta^2 - \sin^2 \theta_T}}{\cos \theta_I}$$

Here then are the plots as requested  
(on the next page)



For a Brewster angle we want  $E_{0R} = 0$  which means  $\alpha\beta = 1$

We had  $\alpha\beta = \frac{\sqrt{\beta^2 - \sin^2 \theta_I}}{\cos \theta_I}$  which means  $\cos \theta_I = \sqrt{\beta^2 - \sin^2 \theta_I}$

This only works if  $\beta = 1$ , i.e., if the two media have the same properties (optically indistinguishable)

At normal incidence  $\alpha\beta = \beta$

$$E_{0T} = \frac{2}{1+\beta} E_{0I}$$

$$E_{0R} = \frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta} E_{0I}$$

Same as equation 9.83

For the reflection and transmission coefficient we use equations 9.116 and 9.117

$$R = \left( \frac{E_{0R}}{E_{0I}} \right)^2 \quad R = \left( \frac{1 - \alpha\beta}{1 + \alpha\beta} \right)^2$$

$$T = \alpha\beta \left( \frac{E_{0T}}{E_{0I}} \right)^2 = \frac{4\alpha\beta}{(\alpha\beta + 1)^2}$$

$$R + T = \frac{1 + \alpha^2\beta^2 - 2\alpha\beta + 4\alpha\beta}{(1 + \alpha\beta)^2}$$

$$R + T = 1$$

## GRIFFITHS 9.21

(a) Eq 9.128

$$K = \omega \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon\mu}{2}} \left[ \sqrt{1 + \left( \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon\omega} \right)^2} - 1 \right]^{1/2}$$

For  $\sigma \ll \epsilon\omega$   $\sqrt{1 + \left( \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon\omega} \right)^2} \approx 1 + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon\omega} \right)^2$

Thus  $K = \omega \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon\mu}{2}} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon\omega} \right)^2 \right] = \frac{\omega}{2} \sqrt{\epsilon\mu} \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon\omega}$

$$K = \frac{1}{2} \sigma \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\epsilon}} \quad d = \frac{1}{K} \Rightarrow$$

$$d = \frac{2}{\sigma} \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{\mu}}$$

For  $H_2O$   $\epsilon \approx 80 \epsilon_0$  (From Wikipedia, at 20°C)  
 $\mu \approx \mu_0$  (not magnetic)  
 $\sigma \approx 5.5 \cdot 10^{-6} \frac{S}{m}$  (From google search, ultra pure water)

$$d = \frac{2}{5.5 \cdot 10^{-6}} \sqrt{\frac{80 \cdot 9 \cdot 10^{-12}}{4\pi \cdot 10^{-7}}} \text{ m} \approx 3.6 \cdot 10^5 \sqrt{5.7 \cdot 10^{-4}}$$

$$d \approx 28 \text{ km}$$

(b) if  $\sigma \gg \epsilon\omega$  then looking at equation 9.128 we see that  $k \approx K$   
 So  $d = \frac{1}{k}$  and since  $k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$ .

$$d = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi}$$

In terms of  $\omega, \epsilon, \text{ etc.}$ :

$$k \approx \omega \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon\mu}{2}} \left[ \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon\omega}\right)^2 - 1} \right]^{1/2} \quad \text{for } \sigma \gg \epsilon\omega$$

$$k = \sqrt{\frac{\omega\mu\sigma}{2}} \quad d = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\omega\mu\sigma}}$$

$$d = \sqrt{\frac{2}{10^{15} \cdot 4\pi \cdot 10^{-7} \cdot 10^7}} \text{ m}$$

$$d \approx 10 \text{ nm}$$

Skin depth extremely short  $\Rightarrow$  OPAQUE

(c) Since  $k \approx K$  from equation 9.136

$$\phi = \tan^{-1} \frac{K}{k} = \tan^{-1} 1 = 45^\circ$$

Equation 9.139 in the limit  $\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon\omega} \gg 1$

$$\frac{B_0}{E_0} \approx \sqrt{\epsilon\mu \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon\omega}} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu\sigma}{\omega}}$$

For  $\sigma \sim 10^7$   $\omega \sim 10^{15}$  (in SI units)

$$\frac{B_0}{E_0} = \sqrt{\frac{4\pi \cdot 10^7 \cdot 10^7}{10^{15}}}$$

$$\frac{B_0}{E_0} \sim 10^{-7} \frac{\text{S}}{\text{m}}$$

Compare in vacuum  $\frac{B_0}{E_0} = \frac{1}{c}$

$$\frac{B_0}{E_0} \sim 3 \cdot 10^{-9} \frac{\text{S}}{\text{m}}$$