



The Poynting Vector



Reflection and Refraction

When light finds a surface separating two media (air and water, for example), a beam gets **reflected** and another gets **refracted** (transmitted).

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Angle of total internal reflection $\Rightarrow \sin \theta_c = \frac{n_2}{n_1}$

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- 1. A paraxial ray from the object reflects as if originating from *F*.
- 2. A ray from the object that heads toward *F* gets reflected parallel to the principle axis.
- 3. A ray from the object that heads toward *C* gets reflected back along the same path as if originating from *C*.



Object Distancep is positive if the object is in front of the mirrorp is negative if the object is behind the mirror

Image Distancei is positive if the image is in front of the mirror- real imagei is negative if the image is behind the mirror- virtual image

$$m = \frac{\text{Image height}}{\text{Object height}} = \frac{h'}{h} = -\frac{i}{p}$$

If m > 1, the image is enlarged. If m < 1, the image is reduced. If m is positive, the image is upright. If m is negative, the image is inverted.

Formation of Images by Lenses

(NOTE: f comes from thin lens formula)

Mirrors and lenses both form images:

- mirrors reflect light to produce image
- light passes through lenses to create image

How do we determine what image is produced?

- ray tracing diagrams: determine location, size, orientation of image
- assume lens is thin relative to focal length
- **i** and **p** are both measured from center of lens
- assume object is located on principal axis to *left* of lens (unless otherwise stated)

Again, we will use three principle rays to locate the image:

1. A ray traveling parallel to the principal axis gets refracted thru the focal point.

- 2. A ray traveling thru the center of the lens is unaffected.
- **3.** A ray traveling thru the focal point gets refracted parallel to the principal axis.

There are 3 cases for a <u>converging</u> lens.

$$\frac{1}{f} = (n-1)\left(\frac{1}{r_1} - \frac{1}{r_2}\right) \quad \text{(thin lens in air)},$$

Case 1: The object is located beyond 2*F*:



Ray 1 is a paraxial ray from the object that gets refracted thru *F*.

Ray 2 travels thru the center of the lens unaffected.

Ray 3 travels thru *F* and comes out parallel.

Now we can see where the rays intersect, and thus the image position.

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Camera

Real, inverted, and reduced.



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What are the image properties? Virtual, upright, and reduced.

34.4 The Thin Lens and Magnification Equation

We used the law of reflection to find a relationship between the focal length (f), the object distance (p), and the image distance (i) for mirrors.

We can do the same thing for lenses using Snell's law.

The result we find is the same:



Thin Lens Equation

As before, the magnification is:

$$m = \frac{h_i}{h_o} = \frac{-i}{p}$$

Sign Conventions: Lenses

This assumes the <u>object is located to the left of the lens</u>, and your eye is located to the right of the lens.

Focal length:

f is positive for converging (convex) lenses.

f is negative for diverging (concave) lenses.

Object Distance:

p is **positive** for objects **left** of the lens (real). [from which light diverges]

p is negative for objects right of the lens (virtual). [towards which light converges]*

Image Distance:i is positive for images right of the lens (real).i is negative for images left of the lens (virtual).

Magnification:

m is positive for images upright wrt the object. *m* is negative for images inverted wrt the object.



When two mirrors or lenses are present treat them one by one

- 1. Draw/calculate location of image from first lens/mirror only
- 2. Take image from 1st component to be object of 2nd lens/mirror
- 3. Draw final image
- 4. Overall magnification is product of two m's Λ

 $M = m_1 m_2$



Huygen's Principle: Light *is* a wave

All points in a wavefront serve as point sources of spherical secondary wavelets.

Method:

- Assign points along a wavefront
- Let the spherical waves expand for a time
- The new wavefront is the tangent line



Christian Huygens 1629-1695

Reflection



Refraction



Snell's Law!!!

$\sin \theta_1$	$\underline{n_2}$
$\sin\theta_2$	$\overline{n_1}$



Review: Interference

Take two waves of equal amplitude and wavelength and have them meet at a common point:

Define Optical Path Difference ($\Delta L = OPD$):

OPD = The difference in distance that two waves travel.



If the two waves are **in-phase**, then they meet crest-to-crest and trough-to-trough.

→ Constructive Interference (CI).

 $\Delta L = OPD = m\lambda, m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$



If the two waves are **out-of-phase**, then they meet crest-totrough and amplitudes cancel out

→ Destructive Interference (DI).

 $\Delta L = OPD = (m + \frac{1}{2})\lambda, m = 0, 1, 2, ...$

Phase Differences

Differences in path lengths \rightarrow interference phase differences $\Delta L = m\lambda \quad m = 0, 1, 2...$ (CI) $\Delta L = \left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right)\lambda \quad m = 0, 1, 2...$ (DI)

Another way to think of this??

→ by traveling different path lengths, waves go through a different number of wavelengths

Is there another way to travel a different number of wavelengths???

$$\frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_2} = \frac{v_1}{v_2} = \frac{n_2}{n_1}$$

Number of wavelengths *N* traveled in media *n*:

$$N_n = \frac{L}{\lambda_n} = \frac{L}{\left(\frac{\lambda}{n_n}\right)}$$

Difference in # of wavelengths over L for to initially in phase waves:

$$N_1 - N_2 = \frac{L}{\lambda} (n_1 - n_2)$$

Young's Double Split Experiment



Thin Films

For thin films then the following is used:

 Δl + (any phase shifts) = Interference condition

$$2t + (\text{phase shifts}) = \begin{cases} m\lambda_{film} \\ (m + \frac{1}{2})\lambda_{film} \end{cases} = \begin{cases} m\frac{\lambda_{vac}}{n_{film}}, & \text{Film appears bright} \\ (m + \frac{1}{2})\frac{\lambda_{vac}}{n_{film}}, & \text{Film appears dark} \end{cases}$$

For Thin-Film Interference in Air we will always have: $n_{medium} > n_{air}$

Diffraction Basics Waves Bend Around Edges

Diffraction occurs whenever light encounters the edge of an object. Light will diffract around anything.

Diffraction is easiest to see when ...

(a)the light is coherent(b)the edge of the object is sharp(c)the object is about as large as the wavelength of light.

Lasers have made it easy to create diffraction patterns today.

I. Single Slit Diffraction

Conclusion is that we get minima at all

$$a\sin\theta_{\min} = m\lambda$$

• We can play the same trick with small angle formulas that we played in the two slit problem to write

Diffraction by a Double Slit

Combining the Two Results

Diffraction due to slit width: $\alpha = \frac{\pi a}{\lambda} \sin \theta$ Interference due to separation: $\beta = \frac{\pi d}{\lambda} \sin \theta$

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d = diameter of circular aperture

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Diffraction Gratings Multiple Slit Diffraction and Interference

A device with N slits (rulings) can be used to separate different wavelengths of light that are contained in a single beam. How does it do this? First, how does a diffraction grating affect monochromatic light?

Diffraction Gratings Resolving a Particular Wavelength

The ability of the diffraction grating to resolve (separate) different colors of light depends on:

1. the width of the lines (maxima):

