

Physics 7C Summer 2010

Midterm 1

① We want our lens to put an image at the near point; otherwise the eye will not be able to focus it. Thus, it will be virtual.

The image distance is measured from the lens but the near point is measured from the eye; so we must subtract off the lens-eye distance.

The object is at a distance L from the eye so we must subtract off the lens-eye distance.

all in all: $d_i = -(N-S)$, $d_o = L-S$, so

$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{-1}{N-S} + \frac{1}{L-S} = \frac{N-S - (L-S)}{(N-S)(L-S)} = \frac{N-L}{(N-S)(L-S)}$$

where d_i is negative because it's a virtual image.

$$\text{So } f = \frac{(N-S)(L-S)}{N-L}$$

Note: $f > 0$ so converging lens
 $m = \frac{N-S}{L-S} > 0$ so image is magnified.

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \vec{E} = E_0 \cos(-kx + \omega t + \phi) \hat{y}.$$

\textcircled{a} We can write this function as:

$$\vec{E} = E_0 \cos(-[kx - \omega t - \phi]) \hat{y} \text{ and since } \cos(-\theta) = \cos \theta,$$

$$\vec{E} = E_0 \cos(kx - \omega t - \phi) \hat{y}. \text{ We can also factor this to get}$$

$$\vec{E} = E_0 \cos(k(x - \frac{\omega}{k}t) - \phi) \hat{y}. \text{ Now it's looking like our}$$

general solution to the wave equation, $\vec{E} = f(x - vt) \hat{y}$

So this wave is moving to the positive x-direction as time goes on.

\textcircled{b} From the argument above, it is clear that

$$v = \frac{\omega}{k}. \text{ Alternatively, we could plug this}$$

solution into the wave equation and solve for v :

$$\frac{d^2 \vec{E}}{dt^2} = v^2 \frac{d^2 \vec{E}}{dx^2}.$$

Left hand side: $\frac{d^2 \vec{E}}{dt^2} = -E_0 \omega^2 \sin(-kx + \omega t + \phi) \hat{y}$

$$\frac{d^2 \vec{E}}{dx^2} = -E_0 k^2 \cos(-kx + \omega t + \phi) \hat{y}.$$

Right hand side: $\frac{dE}{dx} = -E_0(-k) \sin(-kx + \omega t + \phi) \hat{y}$

$$\frac{d^2E}{dx^2} = -E_0(-k)^2 \cos(-kx + \omega t + \phi) \hat{y}$$

So using these in the wave equation, we have

~~$$-E_0 \omega^2 \cos(-kx + \omega t + \phi) \hat{y} = -E_0 k^2 \cos(-kx + \omega t + \phi) v^2 \hat{y}$$~~

So $\omega^2 = k^2 v^2$

or $v^2 = \frac{\omega^2}{k^2} \Rightarrow \boxed{v = \frac{\omega}{k}}$ where we have

chosen $v > 0$ for a wave propagating in the positive x -direction.

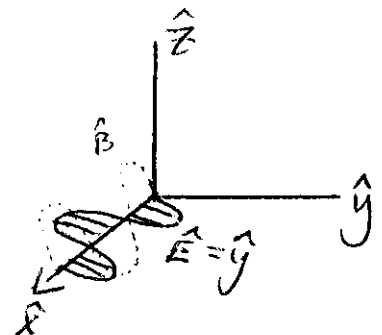
- (C) We know that
- (a) $E_0 = B_0 c$
 - (b) $\hat{E} \times \hat{B} = \hat{x}$ is the direction of propagation
 - (c) \vec{E} and \vec{B} are in phase

So $\vec{B} = B_0 \cos(-kx + \omega t + \phi) \hat{B}$

From the right-hand rule, we see that

$$\hat{B} = +\hat{z}$$

So $\boxed{\vec{B} = \frac{E_0}{c} \cos(-kx + \omega t + \phi) \hat{z}}$



(d) The Poynting vector is defined as $\vec{S} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} (\vec{E} \times \vec{B})$

$$\text{so } \vec{S} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \left(E_0 \cos(-kx + \omega t + \phi) \cdot \frac{E_0}{c} \cos(-kx + \omega t + \phi) \right) \hat{y} \times \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{S} = \frac{E_0^2}{\mu_0 c} \cos^2(-kx + \omega t + \phi) \hat{x}$$

Lemma: The time average of $\cos^2 \theta$ is $\frac{1}{2}$:

Proof $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$

and $\langle \sin^2 \theta \rangle + \langle \cos^2 \theta \rangle = 1$, where $\langle g \rangle = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T g dt$
T = Period

so since $\sin^2 \theta = \cos^2(\theta + \frac{\pi}{2})$

$\langle \sin^2 \theta \rangle = \langle \cos^2(\theta + \frac{\pi}{2}) \rangle$ which doesn't

affect the average over a period, so

$$\langle \sin^2 \theta \rangle = \langle \cos^2 \theta \rangle$$

so $\langle \sin^2 \theta \rangle + \langle \cos^2 \theta \rangle = 1$ which we write as

either $2 \langle \sin^2 \theta \rangle = 1$ or $2 \langle \cos^2 \theta \rangle = 1$

so $\langle \cos^2 \theta \rangle = \frac{1}{2}$ \square

$$\text{Thus } \langle S \rangle = \frac{E_0^2}{\mu_0 c} \langle \cos^2(-kx + \omega t + \phi) \rangle = \boxed{\frac{1}{2} \frac{E_0^2}{\mu_0 c}}$$

② For a fully-reflected wave, $P = \frac{2 \langle S \rangle}{c}$

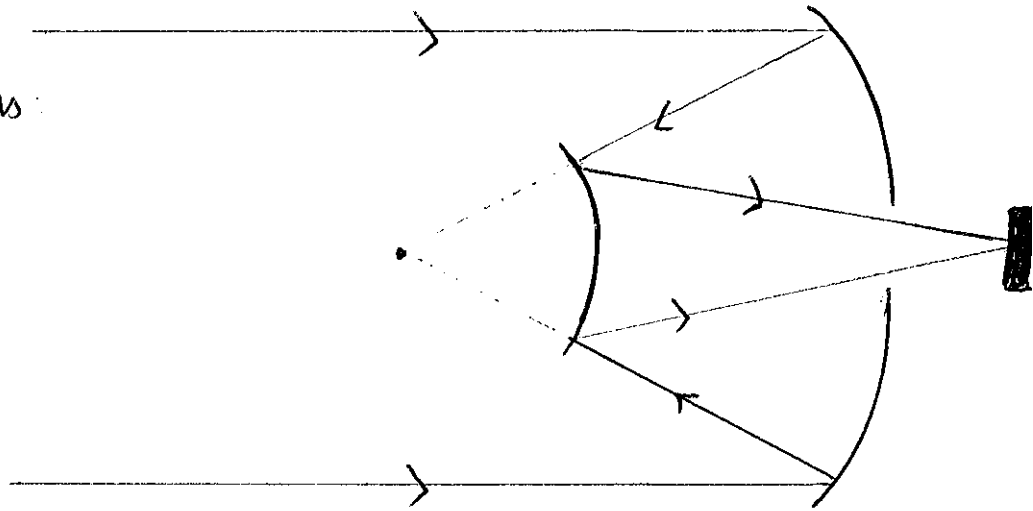
So $P = \frac{E_0^2}{\mu_0 c^2}$ and we know $c^2 = \frac{1}{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}$ so

$$\boxed{P = \epsilon_0 E_0^2}$$

③ Here we have a reflecting telescope, whose ^{primary} mirror has a radius of curvature R_1 and secondary mirror has a radius of curvature $-\frac{R_1}{2}$.

④ The ray diagram is:

assuming $D < \frac{R_1}{2}$.



⑤ We are asked to calculate $d_{i,s}$, the image distance of the secondary mirror, since that is where a star will be in focus.

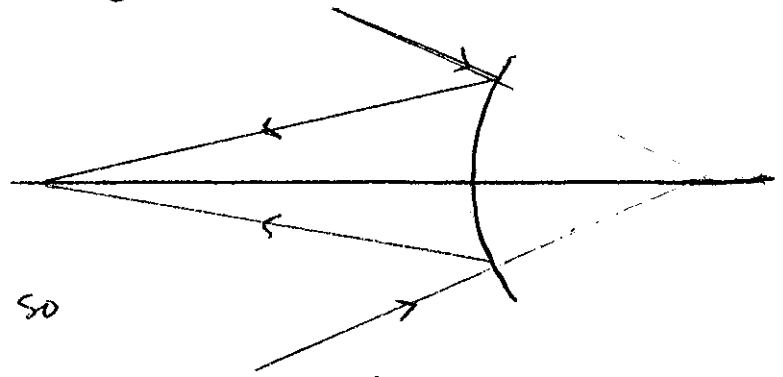
Let's split this task into two parts; first we calculate $d_{i,p}$, the image distance of the primary mirror.

* For distant objects, $d_o \rightarrow \infty$, so $\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{d_o} + \frac{1}{d_i} \approx \frac{1}{d_i}$

Thus, $d_i = f$, or $d_{i,p} = F_1$. For mirrors, $F = \frac{R}{2}$, so

$$d_{i,p} = \frac{R_1}{2}$$

Now let's flip this problem so that we are looking at the second mirror from the left:



The object is behind the mirror, so

we write $d_o = -(d_{i,P} - D) = -\left(\frac{R_1}{2} - D\right) = D - \frac{R_1}{2}$

We are told that $R_2 = -\frac{R_1}{2}$ ~~4~~ ⁴ so $F_2 = -\frac{R_1}{4}$

Then $\frac{1}{F_2} = \frac{1}{d_{o,s}} + \frac{1}{d_{i,s}} \Rightarrow -\frac{4}{R_1} + \frac{1}{\frac{R_1}{2} - D} = \frac{1}{d_{i,s}}$

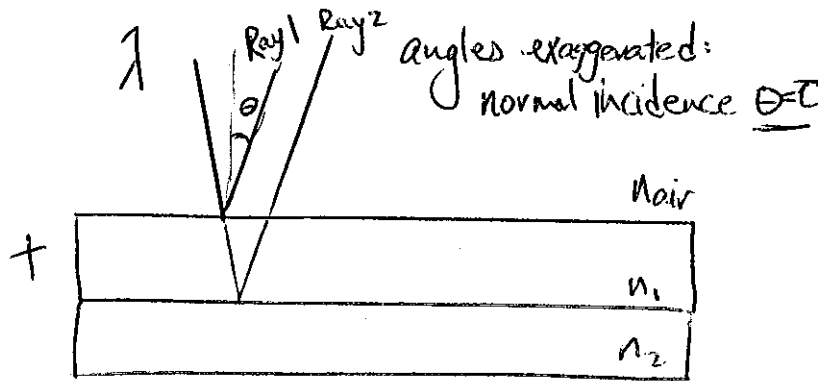
which we write $\frac{-2R_1 + 4D + R_1}{R_1\left(\frac{R_1}{2} - D\right)} = \frac{1}{d_{i,s}}$

so $d_{i,s} = \frac{R_1\left(\frac{R_1}{2} - D\right)}{4D - R_1}$

Note: we must have $d_{i,s} > 0$ so we must have $D > \frac{R_1}{4}$

In other words, $\frac{R_1}{4} < D < \frac{R_1}{2}$.

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Suppose $n_2 > n_1 > n_{\text{air}}$. Then we see an interference maximum for $\lambda_1 = \lambda$, which means that compared to Ray 1, Ray 2 travels a longer path by a ~~factor~~ distance $PD = m\lambda$ for $m = 1, 2, \dots$

* Since $n_1 > n_{\text{air}}$ and $n_2 > n_1$, each ray experiences a phase shift when reflecting, corresponding to an extra path of $\frac{\lambda}{2}$. So, this effect cancels out when we compare the two rays.

So remembering that $\theta = 0$ for normal incidence, we can

write $m = \frac{2t}{\lambda_{n_1}} = \frac{2tn_1}{\lambda}$ where λ_{n_1} is the wavelength in the film.

Or $t = \frac{m\lambda}{2n_1}$ for $m = 1, 2, \dots$

We also see an interference minimum for $\lambda_2 = 2\lambda$.

In this case, the total path difference is a half-integer multiple of λ .

so $m' + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{2t}{(2\lambda_{n_1})} = \frac{2tn_1}{2\lambda} = \frac{tn_1}{\lambda}$ for $m' = 0, 1, \dots$

Or in other words, $t = \frac{(m' + \frac{1}{2})\lambda}{n_1}$. Note that m and m' are not necessarily the same integer.

To find the minimum allowed thickness based on our experimental observation, let's write out the possible values of t given by each λ :

$$t = \frac{\lambda_1}{2n_1} = \left\{ \frac{\lambda}{2n_1}, \frac{\lambda}{n_1}, \frac{3\lambda}{2n_1}, \frac{2\lambda}{n_1}, \dots \right\}$$

$$t = \frac{\lambda_2}{2n_1} = \left\{ \frac{\lambda}{2n_1}, \frac{3\lambda}{2n_1}, \frac{5\lambda}{2n_1}, \dots \right\}$$

So taking the smallest common value, we see that

$$\boxed{t_{\min} = \frac{\lambda}{2n_1}}$$