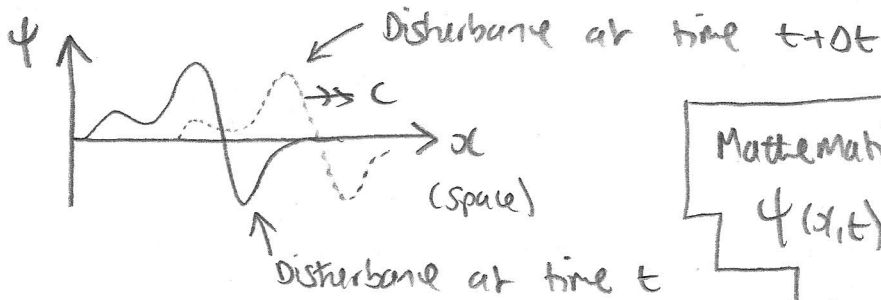


PRE-U REVISION NOTES. WAVES

TYPES OF WAVES. MATHEMATICAL ANATOMY OF WAVES. REFLECTION, REFRACTION, DIFFRACTION. INTERFERENCE. ^{STANDING WAVES} DOPPLER EFFECT.

A wave is essentially a disturbance that propagates at speed c through space. The disturbance, which has numeric value ψ could be: gas pressure above ambient, movement of a string from equilibrium under tension, fluctuations in electric and magnetic fields.....



Mathematically could write:

$$\psi(x,t) = f(x-ct) \times \text{attenuation factor}$$

↑
ie translation of $f(x)$ → t

Longitudinal

Disturbance // propagation direction

- * Sound waves in gases, liquids, solids
- * Earthquake P-waves

Transverse

Disturbance ⊥ to propagation direction

- * Electromagnetic waves (radio, microwave, IR, visible, UV, X-ray, gamma)
- * Earthquake S-waves
- * GRAVITY WAVES

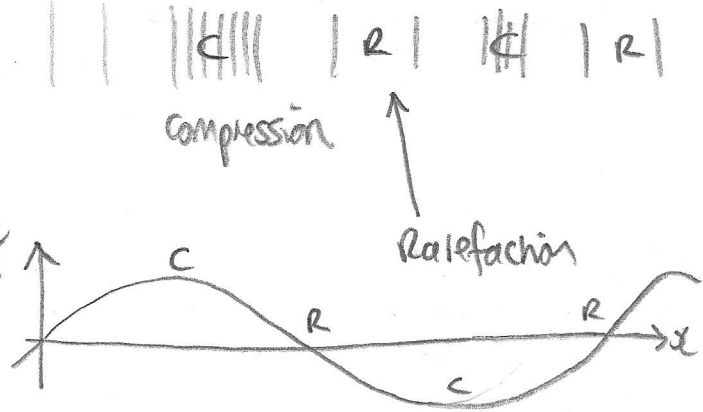
Types of waves

Surface (or interfaces)

- * Rayleigh & Love waves (Earthquakes)
- * Water waves → Kelvin wedge ripples
- * Meteorological effects → Lenticular clouds

Shock waves

- * Eg from explosions ["debration"]
- * Aircraft breaking the sound barrier



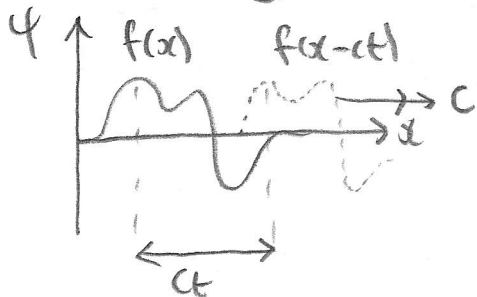
MOST INFORMATION ABOUT THE UNIVERSE IS TRANSMITTED IN WAVE FORM! BEYOND EARTH OUR ONLY SOURCE IS EM WAVES (+ GRAVITY WAVES)



→ Kelvin-Helmholtz instability

Mathematical anatomy of waves

A key feature of a wave is that it is a spatial translation of a disturbance $f(x)$ as time progresses. There may also be a decay of amplitude with time ("attenuation"), but this process shall be modelled separately.



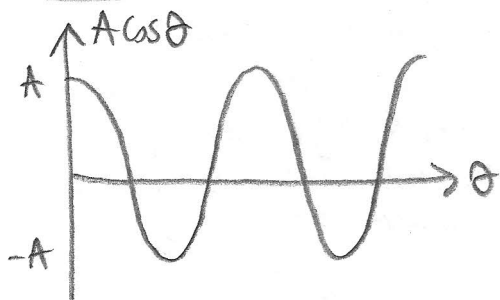
So $\psi(x,t) = f(x-ct)$

one can show that any $\psi(x,t)$ of this form will satisfy the wave equation

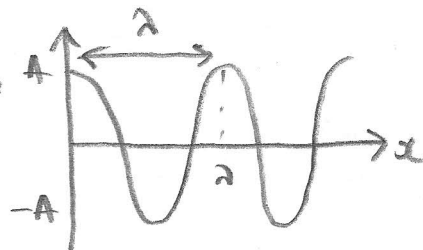
$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial t^2}$$

The ideas of **Fourier Series** show that any disturbance $\psi(x,t)$ can be assembled from a sum of ("superposition") of **Sinusoids** of different amplitude, phase shift and frequency. So study

$\psi(x,t) = A \cos(kx - \omega t - \phi_0)$ and you have the basis for all waves.



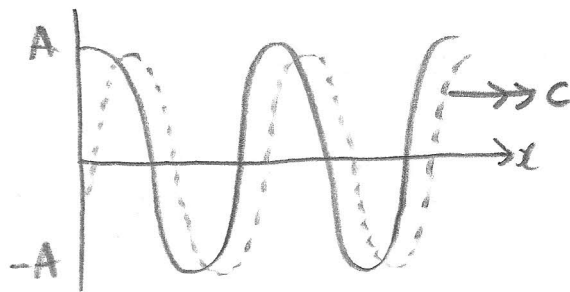
let $\theta = 2\pi \times \frac{x}{\lambda}$



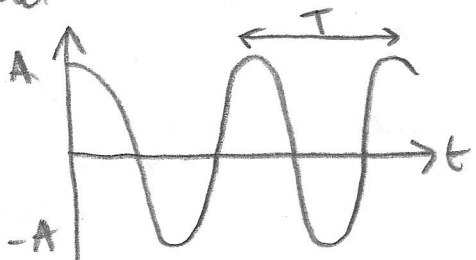
Now incorporate a translation by ct .

— $\psi(x,0) = A \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{\lambda}\right)$

--- $\psi(x,t) = A \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}(x-ct)\right)$



True above is a 'Snapshot' of a wave. If at position x you could draw the wave true as it passes.



$T = \text{period}$
 $f = \frac{1}{T}$

↑ frequency

(s)

(Hz)

clearly $c = \frac{\lambda}{T}$

$\therefore c = f\lambda$

let us define a few other quantities:

PHASE $\phi = kx - \omega t - \phi_0$

WAVENUMBER

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

ANGULAR FREQUENCY

$\omega = 2\pi f$

INITIAL PHASE

ϕ_0 (IN RADIANS)

$2\pi \text{ radians} = 360^\circ$

So: $c = f\lambda$ | $\frac{2\pi c}{\lambda} = 2\pi f$
 $\frac{c}{\lambda} = f$ | $kc = \omega$

$\omega = ck$

Hence:

$\psi(x,t) = A \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}(x-ct) - \phi_0\right)$

Phase is 'where we are in the cos curve'

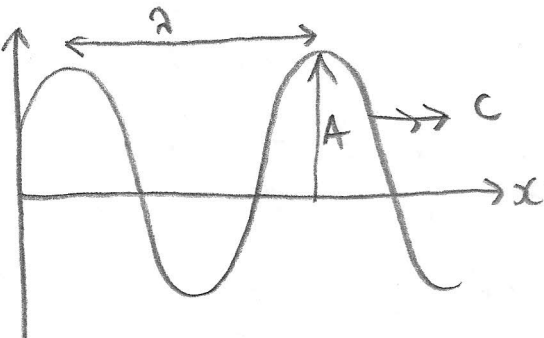
↑ Add in initial phase

i.e. $\phi = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}(x-ct) - \phi_0$ PHASE

$\phi = kx - \frac{2\pi c}{\lambda}t - \phi_0$

$\frac{c}{\lambda} = f$ so $\frac{2\pi c}{\lambda}t = \omega t$

$\psi(x,t) = A \cos(kx - \omega t - \phi_0)$



$c = \omega/k$ is the 'phase velocity of waves'. Many waves have a dispersion relation (eg water waves)

i.e. $\omega^2 = gk \therefore \omega = \sqrt{g} k^{1/2}$

$\frac{\omega}{k} = \sqrt{\frac{g}{k}}$

So $c = \sqrt{\frac{ga}{2\pi}}$

Deep water waves

i.e. $\lambda \ll \text{depth}$

Note we often find it convenient to use complex numbers!

$e^{i\theta} = \cos\theta + i\sin\theta$ de Moivre's theorem

So let $\psi(x,t) = A e^{i(kx - \omega t - \phi_0)}$ and take the real part

Summary of wave parameters

$\psi(x,t) = A \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}(x-ct) - \phi_0\right)$

$\psi(x,t) = A \cos(kx - \omega t - \phi_0)$

$\psi(x,t) = A \cos\phi$

$c = f\lambda$ $\omega = ck$

- ϕ Phase / radians
- λ wavelength
- A Amplitude
- ψ Disturbance
- $k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$ wavenumber
- $\omega = 2\pi f$ Angular frequency
- f Frequency
- T Period

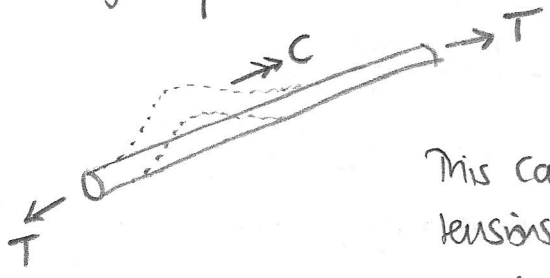
WAVES ON STRINGS AND WAVE ENERGY

[See Edelection note "Mathematical anatomy of waves" for derivations]

For a string under tension T newtons, and mass per unit length μ

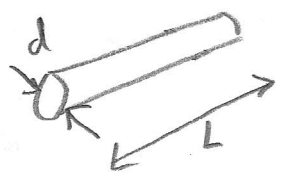
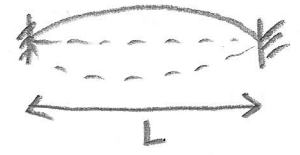
$$c = \sqrt{\frac{T}{\mu}}$$

Speed of waves on String



This can be used to work out the required tensions of guitar strings. There are clamped at both ends, so the lowest "fundamental" frequency is such that $L = \frac{\lambda}{2}$

$$L = \frac{\lambda}{2}$$



For a string of diameter d and length L of density ρ , mass is:

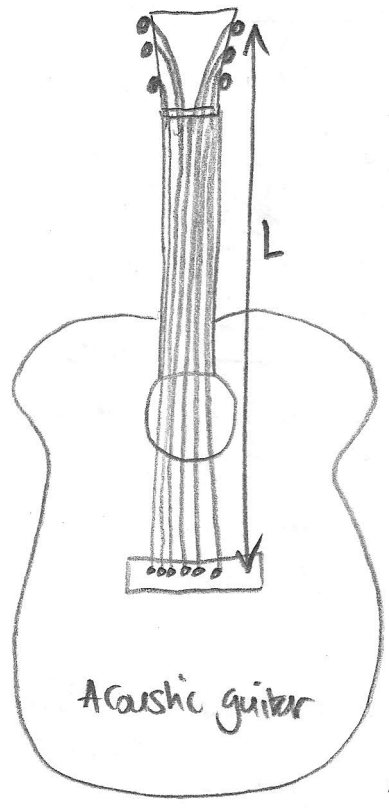
$$M = \pi \left(\frac{d}{2}\right)^2 L \rho \quad \text{so} \quad \mu = \frac{M}{L}$$

$$\mu = \frac{\pi d^2 \rho}{4}$$

Now $c = f\lambda$ and $\lambda = 2L$

$$f = 110 \times 2^{\frac{n}{12}} \quad (\text{Hz})$$

for 'equal tempered scale'



Note	A	B \flat	B	C	C \sharp	D	E \flat	E	F	F \sharp	G	A \flat	A \sharp
n	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
f / Hz	110		123.5			146.8			174.6				220

So $c^2 \mu = T$

$$T = f^2 (2L)^2 \mu$$

$$T = 4f^2 L^2 \pi d^2 \rho / 4$$

Idea is want T to be similar to guitar so not too stress

$$T = \pi \rho (f L d)^2$$

Next octave \uparrow

For my electric guitar:

Note	n	f / Hz	d (inches)	L / m	ρ (kgm^{-3})	T / N
E	19	329.63	0.00	0.75	7690	95.3
B	14	246.94	0.013	0.73	7950	88.5
G	10	196	0.017	0.71	8220	93.5
D	5	146.83	0.026	0.69	6930	97.5
A	0	110	0.036	0.67	6610	94.3
E	-5	55	0.046	0.65	15400	23.0

SPEED OF SOUND IN IDEAL GASES

$$c = \sqrt{\frac{\gamma p}{\rho}}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{c_p}{c_v}$$

ratio of specific heat capacities
[see thermodynamics course notes]

p = pressure

ρ = density

Using $PV = nRT$

n = # moles of gas

R = molar gas constant $R = 8.314 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$

T = temperature / K

$$p = \frac{nM}{V}$$

M = molar mass of the gas

so $p = \frac{nM}{nRT} p$

$$c = \sqrt{\gamma \frac{RT}{M}}$$

For air: $\gamma \approx 1.4$
 $M \approx 0.02896 \text{ kg/mol}$
(dry air), so at 298K

$$c = \sqrt{\frac{1.4 \times 8.314 \times 298}{0.02896}} = 346 \text{ m/s}$$

SPEED OF SOUND IN ELASTIC SOLIDS

P waves

$$c = \sqrt{\frac{Y(1-\nu)}{\rho(1+\nu)(1-2\nu)}}$$

S waves

$$c = \sqrt{\frac{G}{\rho}}$$

Y = young's modulus

ν = poisson ratio

G = shear modulus

ρ = density

Example: Steel

Y	200 GPa
G	80 GPa
ν	0.3
ρ	7800 kg/m ³

$$\Rightarrow \begin{matrix} \text{P velocity} \times & 5880 \text{ m/s} \\ \text{S " " } \times & 3202 \text{ m/s} \end{matrix} \leftarrow \sqrt{\frac{200 \times 10^9 \times 0.7}{7800 \times 1.3 \times 0.4}}$$

POWER IN A WAVE

Imagine length dl of a string oscillating. $KE = \frac{1}{2} M v^2$

$$v = \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} \quad m = \rho dl$$

$$\psi = A \cos(kx - \omega t - \phi_0)$$

so if dl

is set oscillating in dt and wave speed is c $dl = c dt$

so $dE = \frac{1}{2} \rho c dt \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial t} \right)^2$
energy input

Average of $\left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial t} \right)^2$ is $\frac{\omega^2 A^2}{2}$

so $\frac{dE}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} \rho c \omega^2 A^2 \times \frac{1}{2}$ ← actually we need to consider EPE of string so this $\rightarrow 1$

Hence input power to wave on a string is

$$P = \frac{1}{2} \mu c A^2 \omega^2$$

i.e. $P \propto \text{amplitude}^2$ and frequency^2

↑ This is a general result for waves

[$P = \frac{1}{2} Z A^2 \omega^2$ where Z is the IMPEDANCE for a string $Z = \mu c$]

STANDING WAVES ON STRINGS AND IN PIPES

Standing waves - a **superposition** of 'rightwards' and 'leftwards' waves such that the **nodes** and **anti nodes** of the resulting interference pattern don't move.

For a guitar string a wave reflects AND INVERTS off the clamped end



So
$$\psi(x,t) = A \sin(kx - \omega t) - A \sin(-kx - \omega t)$$
 'rightwards \rightarrow ' 'leftwards \leftarrow '

Using trig identities $\sin(A+B) = \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B$

$$\sin(-x) = -\sin x$$

$$\cos(-x) = \cos x$$

See Election notes (Standing Waves).

Can show:

$$\psi(x,t) = 2A \sin kx \cos \omega t$$

i.e. separation of spatial and temporal parts

A guitar string must have nodes at both ends so:

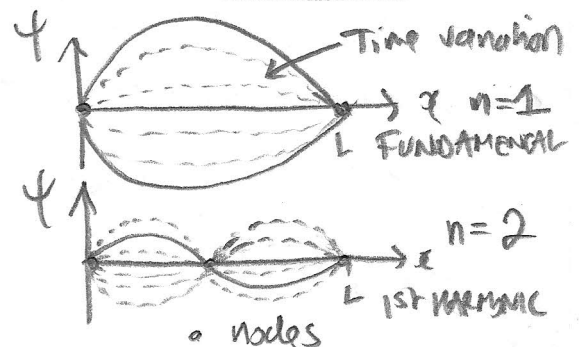
$$n \times \frac{1}{2} \lambda = L$$

$n = \text{integer}$

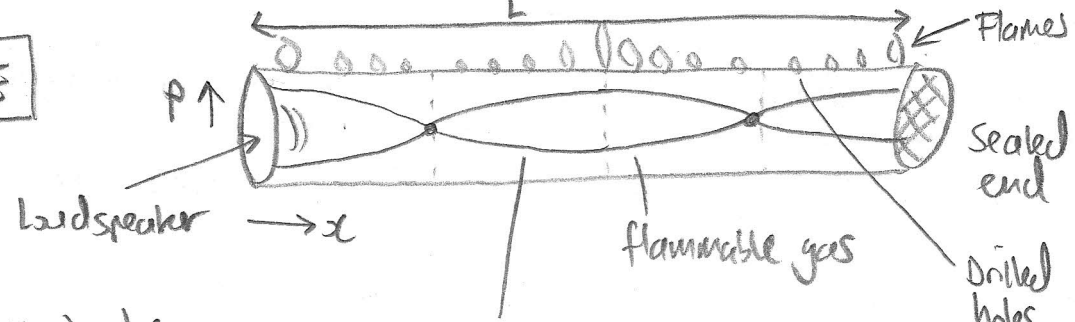
$$\lambda = \frac{2L}{n}$$

$$\therefore k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} = 2\pi \times \frac{n}{2L} = \frac{n\pi}{L}$$

$$\psi(x,t) = 2A \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi n}{T}t\right)$$



RUBEN'S TUBE



Pressure waves must be **antinodes** at loudspeaker and sealed end.

pressure wave envelope (in this case first harmonic)

So $\frac{\lambda}{2} \times n = L$

∴ pressure $p(x,t) = p_{max} \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{\lambda_n}\right) \cos(2\pi f_n t)$

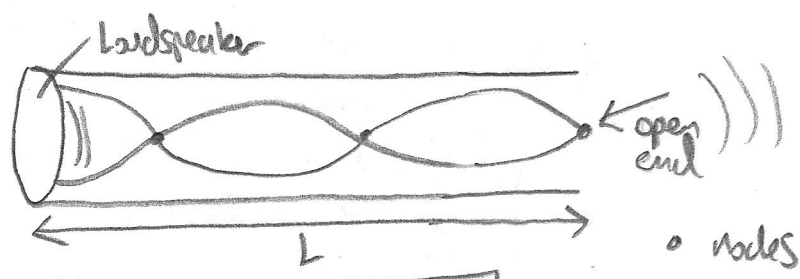
$\lambda_n = \frac{2L}{n}$

$f_n = \frac{c}{\lambda_n} = \frac{nc}{2L}$

c is wave speed in gas
 [or $c = \sqrt{\gamma RT/M}$]

DRIVEN PIPE WITH OPEN END eg KUNDT'S TUBE

- * Pressure antinode at loudspeaker end
- * pressure node at open end



END CORRECTION
 TUBE VIBRATING CAUSES $L \rightarrow L + 0.6r$
 where r is tube radius

So $L = \text{odd } \# \text{ of } \frac{\lambda}{4}$

ie $L = (2n-1)\frac{\lambda}{4}$ ∴ $\lambda_n = \frac{4L}{2n-1}$

$f_n = \frac{c}{\lambda_n} = \frac{c(2n-1)}{4L}$

So for an organ pipe $f = 440\text{Hz}$, $n = 1$, $c = 345\text{ m/s}$

$f_1 = \frac{c(2 \times 1 - 1)}{4L}$ ∴ $L = \frac{345\text{ m/s}}{4 \times 440\text{ Hz}} = 0.196\text{ m}$

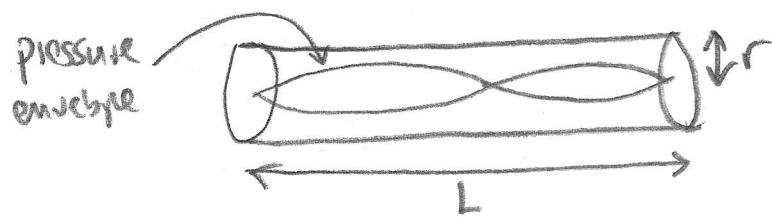
For a very low note (8Hz, below human hearing range)

$L = \frac{345\text{ m/s}}{4 \times 8} = 10.78\text{ m}$

[NOTE: pressure nodes correspond to DISPLACEMENT ANTINODES and vice versa]

PIPE WITH BOTH ENDS OPEN TO THE ATMOSPHERE

e.g. pan pipes. In this case pressure nodes at either end



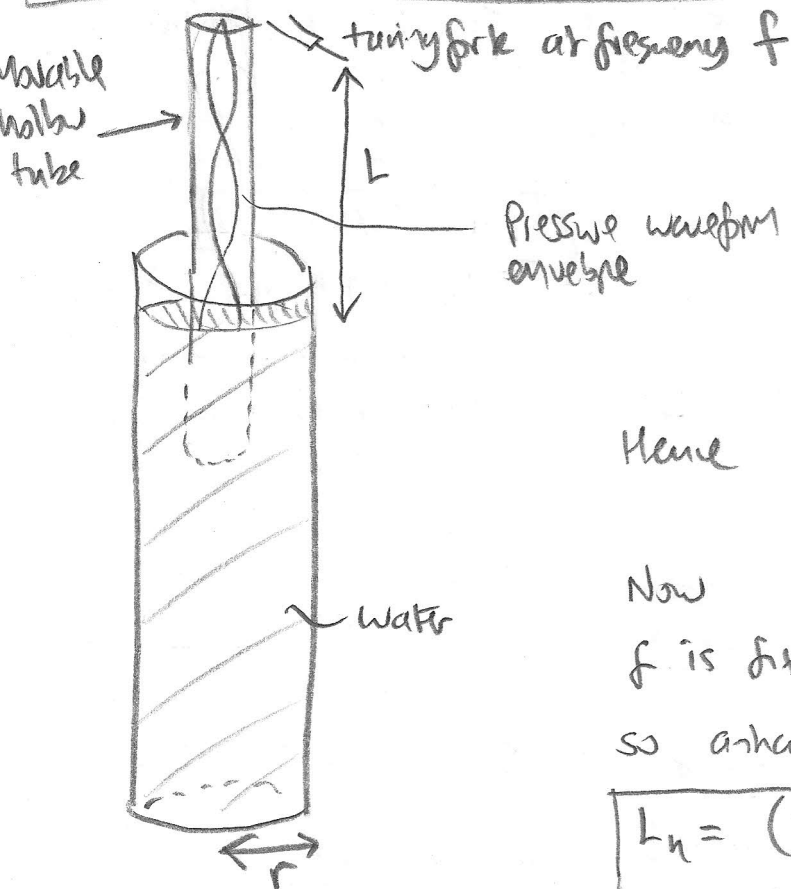
$$\text{so } n \frac{\lambda}{2} = L$$

$$\text{or } \lambda_n = \frac{2L}{n}$$

$$f_n = \frac{c}{\lambda_n} = \boxed{\frac{nc}{2L}}$$

[For end correction $L = \text{Actual length} + 2 \times 0.66r$
 Since both ends vibrate the air]

WATER TUBE RESONANCE EXPERIMENT



For air slum in movable tube:

- * Must be pressure node at open end
- * Must be pressure antinode at water surface
 (MUGB change in density is ∞ impedance)

Hence

$$\boxed{L = (2n-1) \times \frac{\lambda}{4}}$$

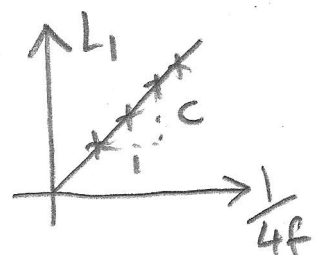
$$\text{Now } c = f\lambda \text{ so } \lambda = \frac{c}{f}$$

f is fixed here (driven by tuning fork)

so anticipate maximum loudness when

$$\boxed{L_n = (2n-1) \times \frac{c}{4f}}$$

We can use this to find the speed of sound in air by using different tuning forks, and finding L_1 plot L_1 vs $\frac{1}{4f}$ and gradient should be c .

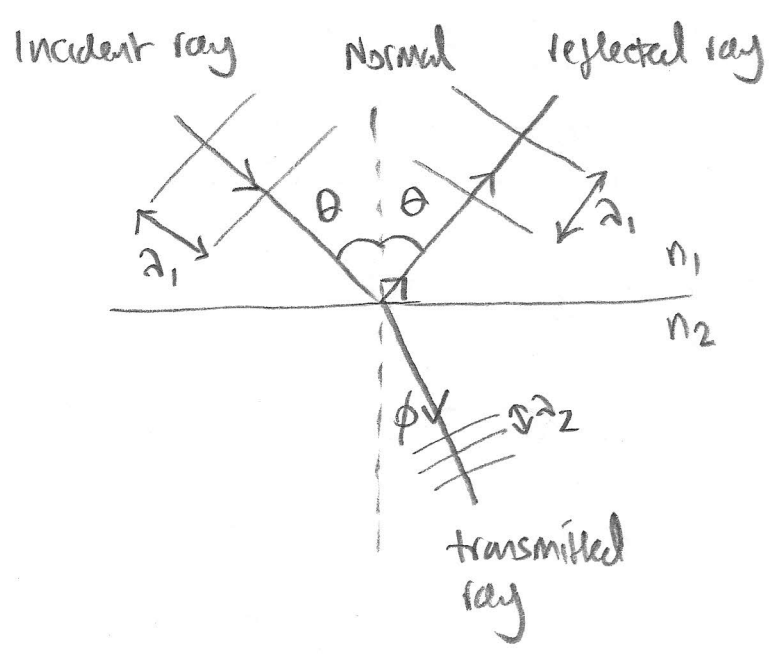


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[Note L_1 will be actual $L + 0.66r$]

REFLECTION & REFRACTION

n is the refractive index $\begin{cases} \approx 1 \text{ for air} \\ \approx 1.5 \text{ for glass} \end{cases}$



Consider plane waves incident on a boundary.

* Region 1: Speed of light is $c/n_1 = v_1$

* Region 2: Speed of light is $c/n_2 = v_2$

c is speed of light in a vacuum.

[If working with other waves simply use wave speeds v_1 and v_2]

Law of reflection: Angle of incidence = angle of reflection

Snell's law of refraction:

$$\frac{\sin \theta}{v_1} = \frac{\sin \phi}{v_2}$$

or if using light $n_1 \sin \theta = n_2 \sin \phi$

Now frequency of waves is the same either side of the boundary. \therefore $v_1 = f \lambda_1$ and $v_2 = f \lambda_2$

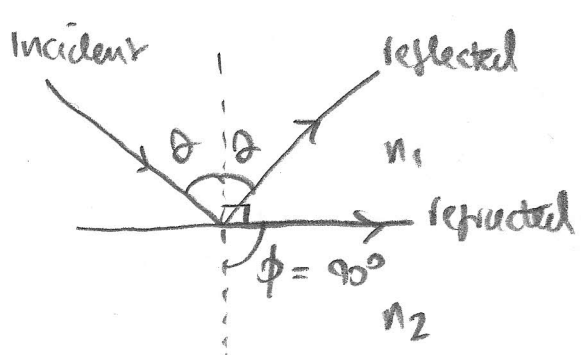
$$\lambda_2 = \lambda_1 \frac{v_2}{v_1}$$

For light: $\lambda_2 = \lambda_1 \times \frac{n_1}{n_2}$

So if from air ($n_1 \approx 1$) to glass ($n_2 \approx 1.5$) $\Rightarrow \lambda_2 \approx \lambda_1 \times \frac{2}{3}$ i.e. wavelength reduces.

Note both the law of reflection and refraction satisfy Fermat's principle i.e. the light path is the one which minimizes the time taken.

Total internal reflection if $n_2 > n_1 \Rightarrow \phi > \theta$. when $\phi = 90^\circ$ this means no further refraction can occur.



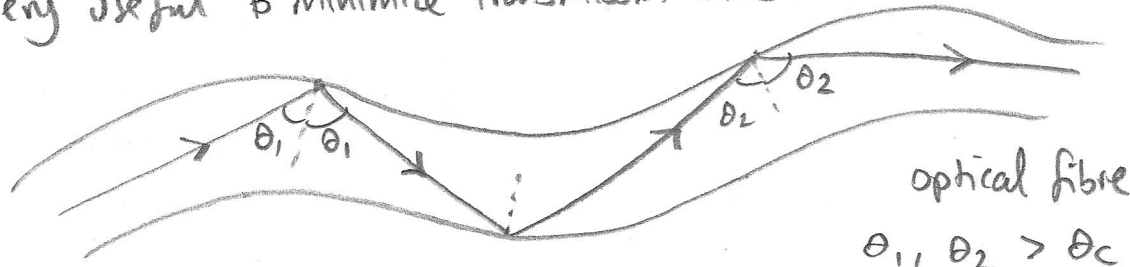
So if $n_2 > n_1$

CRITICAL angle is θ_c

$$n_1 \sin \theta_c = n_2 \sin 90^\circ$$

$$\theta_c = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{n_2}{n_1} \right)$$

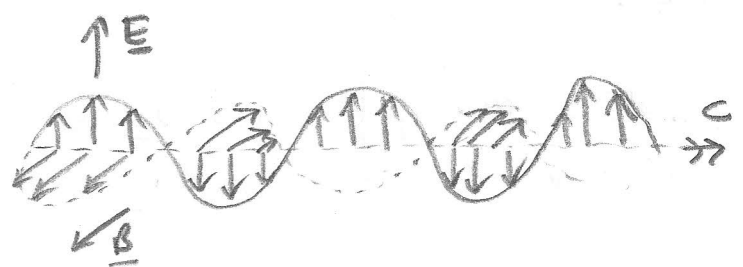
for $\theta > \theta_c$, no refraction, only reflection.
 very useful to minimize transmission losses!



For glass \rightarrow air interface
 $n_1 \approx 1.5$ $n_2 \approx 1$

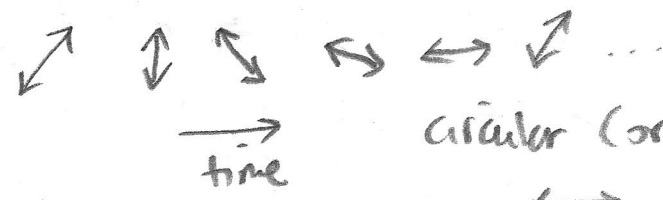
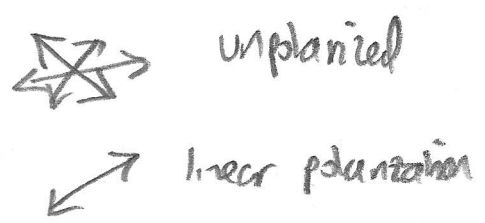
$$\theta_c \approx \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{1.5} \right) \approx \boxed{41.8^\circ}$$

POLARIZATION OF EM WAVES

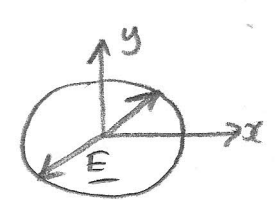


Electromagnetic waves consist of electric (\underline{E}) and magnetic (\underline{B}) vector fields oscillating at 90° to each other, and both 90° to the propagation direction

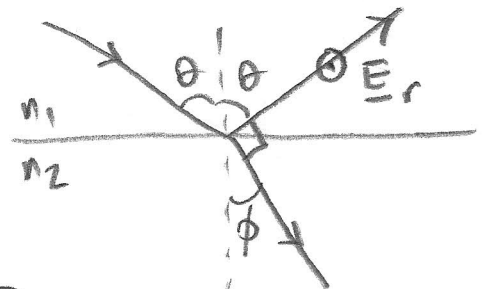
Polarization is the direction \underline{E} oscillates



circular (or elliptical) polarization

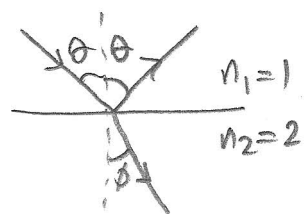
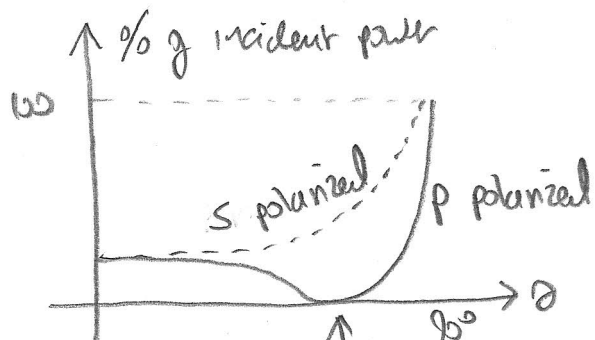


unpolarized



Now polarization direction must be \perp to the propagation direction. If reflected ray is 90° to refracted ray \underline{E}_r must be \perp to the plane \odot or \otimes i.e. only "S" polarized light is reflected, no "P" polarization $\perp \underline{E} //$ plane is allowed.

If we plot the reflected power vs θ



S \perp plane $\odot \otimes$ \underline{E}
 P // plane \rightarrow \underline{E}

Now if $180^\circ = \theta_B + 90^\circ + \phi \Rightarrow 90^\circ = \theta_B + \phi \therefore \phi = 90^\circ - \theta_B$

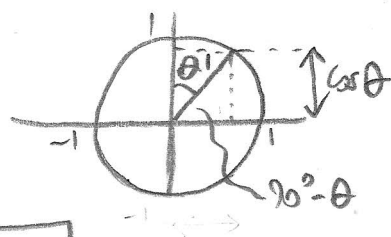
Snell's law: $n_1 \sin \theta = n_2 \sin (90^\circ - \theta)$

Now $\sin (90^\circ - \theta) = \cos \theta$

so $n_1 \sin \theta_B = n_2 \cos \theta_B$

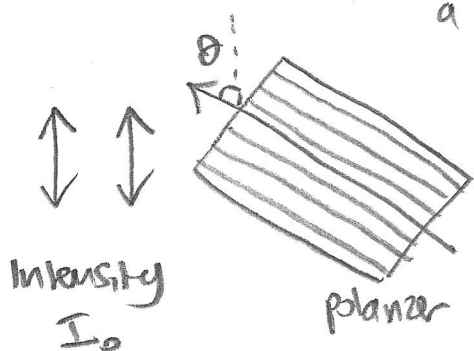
$\therefore \tan \theta_B = \frac{n_2}{n_1} \therefore \theta_B = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{n_2}{n_1} \right)$

So if $n_2 = 2, n_1 = 1 \Rightarrow \theta_B = \tan^{-1}(2) \approx 63.4^\circ$



MALUS' LAW

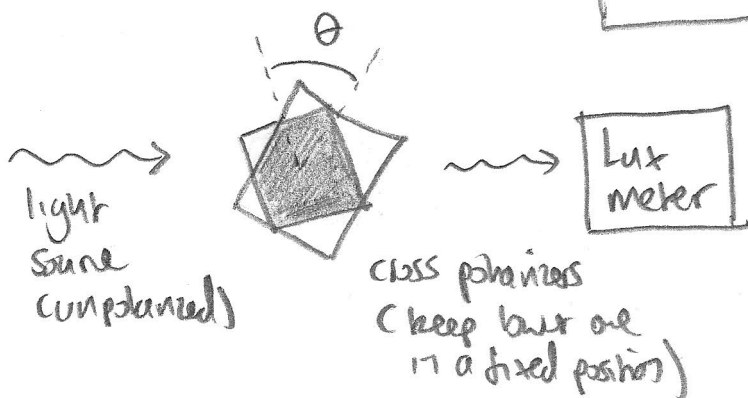
If linear polarized light is incident upon a linear polarizer tilted at angle θ



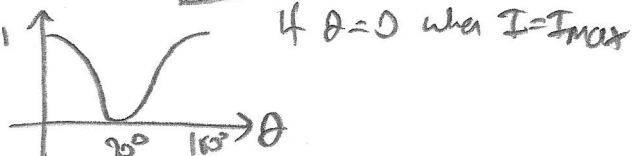
E projection is $E_0 \cos \theta$

... and since power \propto amplitude²

$I = I_0 \cos^2 \theta$



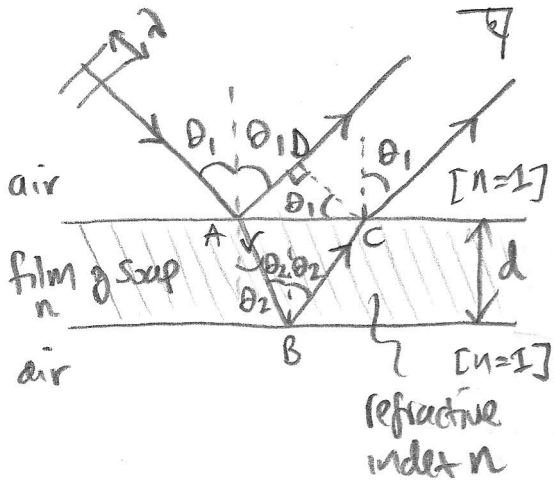
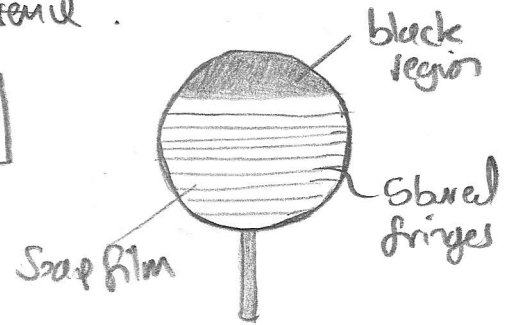
Expect $\frac{I - I_{min}}{I_{max} - I_{min}} = \cos^2 \theta$



Use of phase #1: Thin Film Interference

For two wave propagation paths, if the difference in spatial parts of phase $[kx]$ is $2\pi \times \text{integer}$ this means constructive interference. i.e. a 'maximum'. If the phase difference is $\pi \times \text{odd integer}$ then destructive interference.

We can see this effect in a Soap film held within a hoop, and illuminated with white light. As the film drops down under gravity, the upper part thins. Initially we will see vivid rainbow colored fringes, but as time passes they \rightarrow black.



Get constructive interference

when $\Delta\phi_{ABC} - \Delta\phi_{AD} = 2\pi m$

↑ integer

$$\Delta\phi_{ABC} = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_{\text{film}}} AB + \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_{\text{film}}} BC$$

$$\lambda_{\text{film}} = \frac{\lambda}{n} \quad AB = BC$$

$$AB \cos\theta_2 = d \quad \therefore AB = \frac{d}{\cos\theta_2}$$

$$\Delta\phi_{ABC} = \frac{4\pi n d}{\lambda \cos\theta_2}$$

$$\Delta\phi_{AD} = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} AD - \pi$$

{ π phase change (x) on reflection from air, Soap boundary i.e. inversion }

$$AD = AC \sin\theta_1$$

$$AC = 2 AB \sin\theta_2$$

$$AC = \frac{2d}{\cos\theta_2} \sin\theta_2$$

\rightarrow so

$$\Delta\phi_{AD} = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \times \frac{2d \sin\theta_2 \sin\theta_1}{\cos\theta_2} - \pi$$

∴ Constructive interference when:

$$\frac{4\pi n}{\lambda} \frac{d}{\cos\theta_2} + \pi - \frac{4\pi d}{\lambda} \frac{\sin\theta_1 \sin\theta_2}{\cos\theta_2} = 2\pi m$$

Snell's law $\boxed{1 \times \sin\theta_1 = n \sin\theta_2}$

so $\frac{4\pi d n}{\lambda \cos\theta_2} (1 - \sin^2\theta_2) = 2\pi m - \pi$

$$\frac{2dn}{\lambda \cos\theta_2} \cos^2\theta_2 = m - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\cos\theta_2 = \frac{\lambda}{2nd} (m - \frac{1}{2})$$

Now $\sin\theta_2 = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2\theta_2}$

so $\sin\theta = n \sqrt{1 - \frac{\lambda^2 (m - \frac{1}{2})^2}{4n^2 d^2}}$

$$\therefore \theta = \sin^{-1} \left\{ n \sqrt{1 - \frac{\lambda^2 (m - \frac{1}{2})^2}{4n^2 d^2}} \right\}$$

Now for real θ , $1 - \frac{\lambda^2 (m - \frac{1}{2})^2}{4n^2 d^2} > 0$

∴ $4n^2 d^2 > \lambda^2 (m - \frac{1}{2})^2$

$$\therefore \boxed{d > \frac{\lambda (m - \frac{1}{2})}{2n}}$$

∴ Thinnest soap film for interference fringes is when $m = 1$

i.e. $d_{\min} = \frac{\lambda}{4n}$... But not quite all, since $\{ \dots \}$ must be ≤ 1 for real θ .

So $n \sqrt{1 - \frac{\lambda^2(m-\frac{1}{2})^2}{4n^2d^2}} \leq 1$ Since $|\sin\theta| \leq 1$

$\therefore 1 - \frac{\lambda^2(m-\frac{1}{2})^2}{4n^2d^2} \leq \frac{1}{n^2}$

$1 - \frac{1}{n^2} \leq \frac{\lambda^2(m-\frac{1}{2})^2}{4n^2d^2}$

$1 - \frac{1}{n^2} = \frac{n^2-1}{n^2}$

$d^2 \leq \frac{\lambda^2(m-\frac{1}{2})^2}{4n^2} \cdot \frac{n^2}{n^2-1}$

$d \leq \frac{\lambda(m-\frac{1}{2})}{4(n^2-1)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$

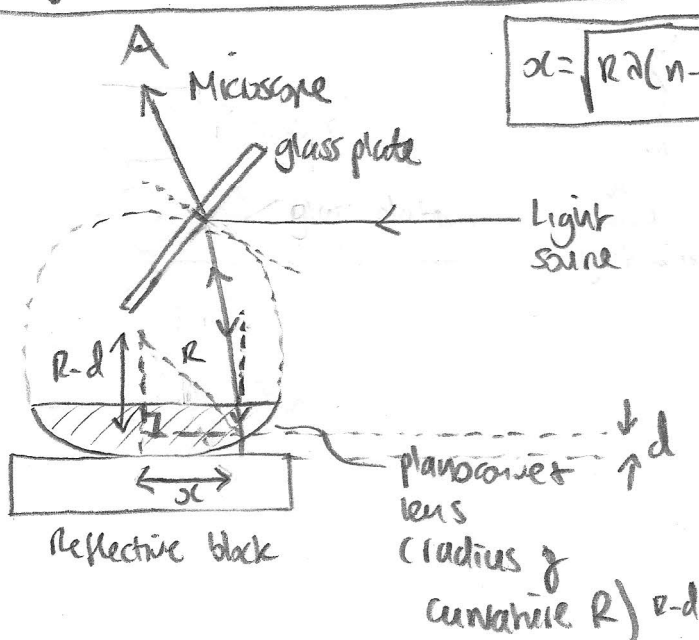
So when $m=1$ $d \leq \frac{\lambda}{4(n^2-1)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$

let $n \approx 1.3$ (water) : so $\frac{\lambda}{4n} < d \leq \frac{\lambda}{4(n^2-1)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$

$0.769 \frac{\lambda}{4} < d < 1.204 \frac{\lambda}{4}$

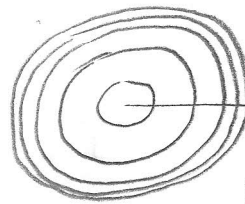
for constructive interference.

Use of phase #2: NEWTON'S RINGS



$x = \sqrt{R\lambda(n-\frac{1}{2})}$

observe skewed fringes due to constructive interference between light reflecting off the lower surface of the lens and the block



Integer

$2\pi n = \Delta\phi = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \times 2d + \pi$

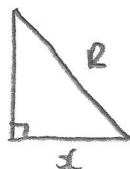
Block reflection imparts phase shift

$R^2 = (R-d)^2 + x^2$

$R^2 = R^2 - 2Rd + d^2 + x^2$

$2Rd = d^2 + x^2$

$d = \frac{d^2}{2R} + \frac{x^2}{2R} \approx \frac{x^2}{2R}$ if $d \ll R$

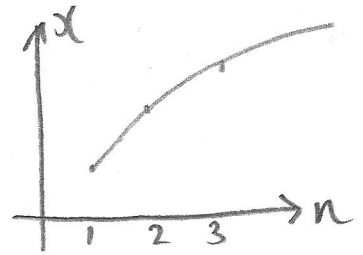


(14) $d(1 - \frac{d}{2R}) = \frac{x^2}{2R} \therefore d \approx \frac{x^2}{2R}$

So $2\pi n = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \times 2\frac{x^2}{2R} + \pi$

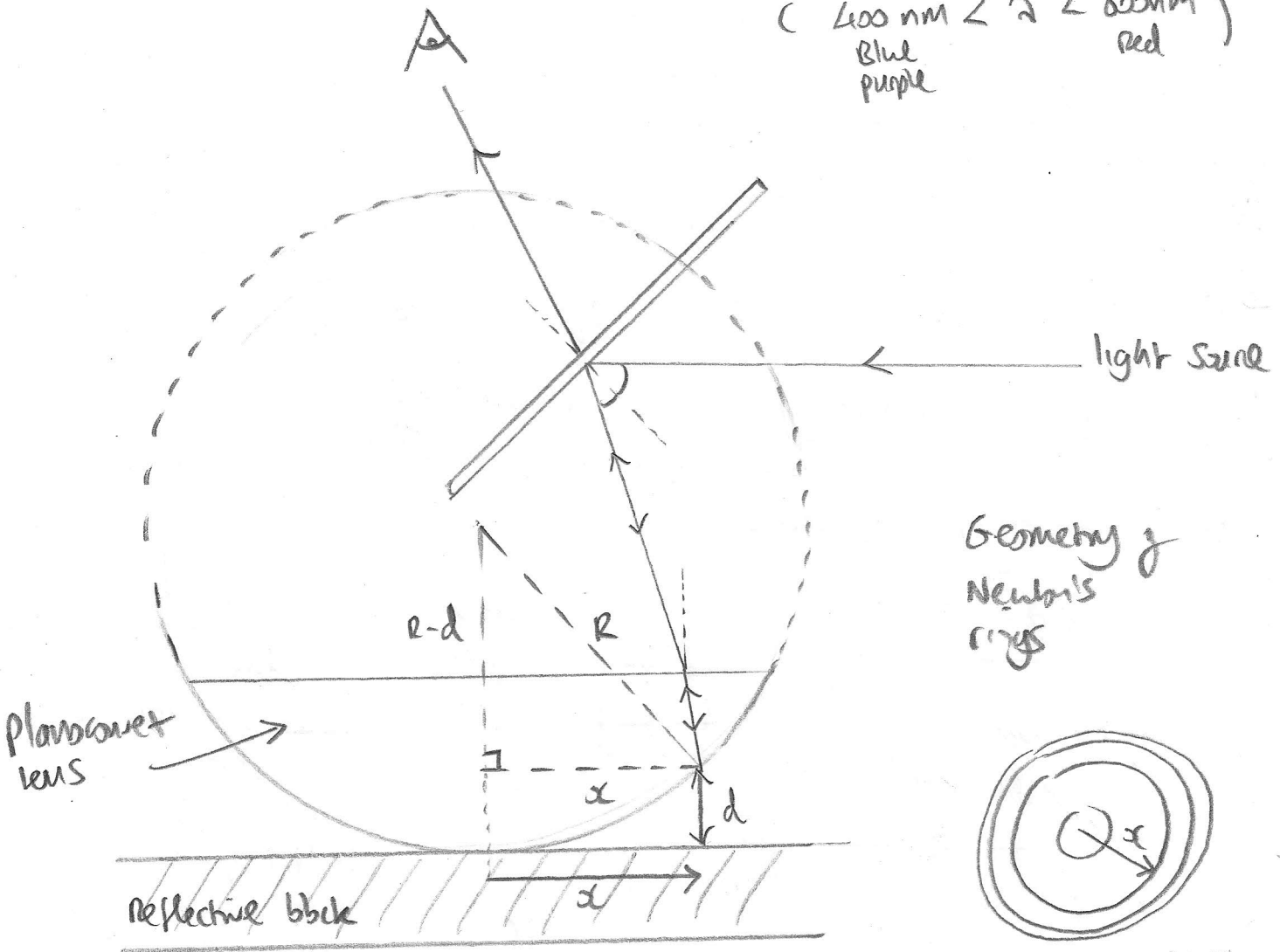
$$n = \frac{x^2}{\lambda R} + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\boxed{\sqrt{(n - \frac{1}{2}) \lambda R} = x}$$

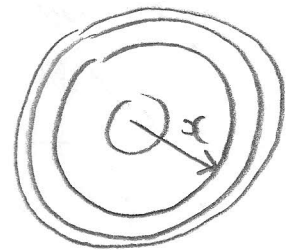


This explains why fringe separation reduces and if white light is used, each fringe has a rainbow color

($400 \text{ nm} < \lambda < 600 \text{ nm}$)
 Blue purple Red



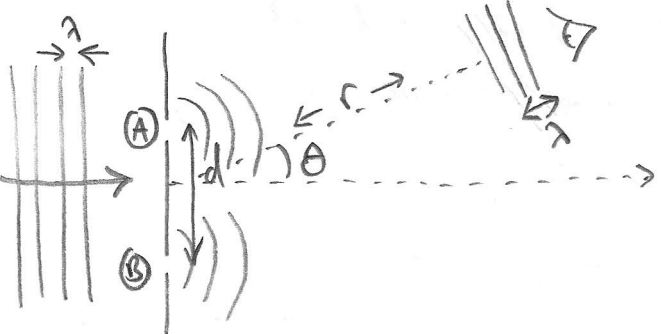
Geometry of Newton's rings



$$x_n = \sqrt{(n - \frac{1}{2}) \lambda R}$$

DIFFRACTION FROM DOUBLE SLITS, SINGLE SLIT AND GRATINGS

Consider plane waves striking an obstacle with two thin slits separated by distance d . Slit width $\ll \lambda, d$

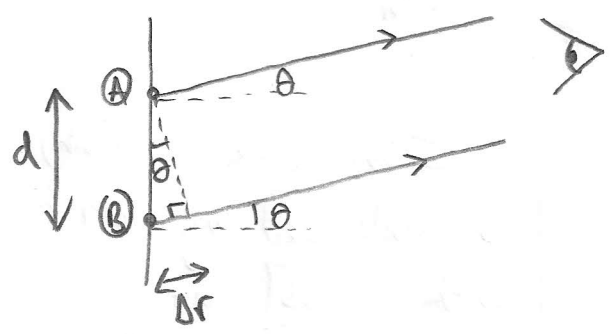


observe superposition of diffracted waves at distance $r \gg \frac{d^2}{\lambda}$

This is the 'Far field' and at this point can regard waves at angle θ to be planar

Thin slits (A), (B) separated by distance d

We observe an interference pattern vs θ is a series of bright and dark fringes.



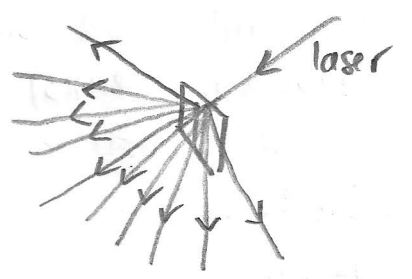
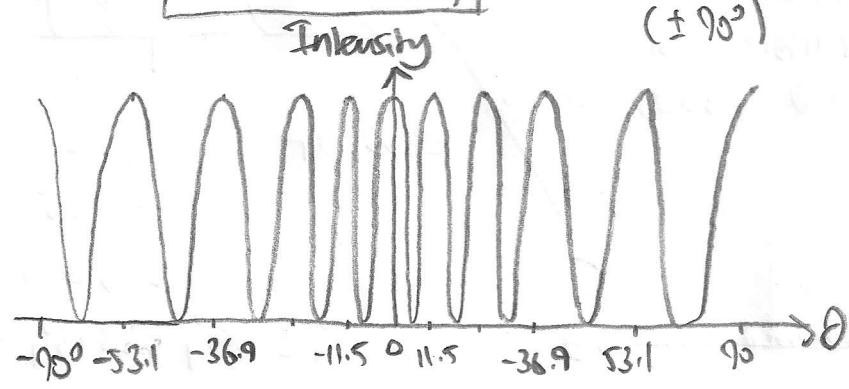
Using the approximation of plane waves (i.e. // rays) at θ constructive interference when path difference $\Delta r = n\lambda$
↑
 integer

From diagram above: $d \sin \theta = \Delta r$

so expect maxima when $\theta = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{n\lambda}{d} \right)$

Example: if a red laser illuminates a pair of slits with $d = 5\lambda$ ($\lambda = 650\text{nm}$)

Maxima at: $\theta = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{n}{5} \right) = 0^\circ, \pm 11.5^\circ, \pm 23.6^\circ, \pm 36.9^\circ, \pm 53.1^\circ$
 ($\pm 90^\circ$)



RESOLVING POWER

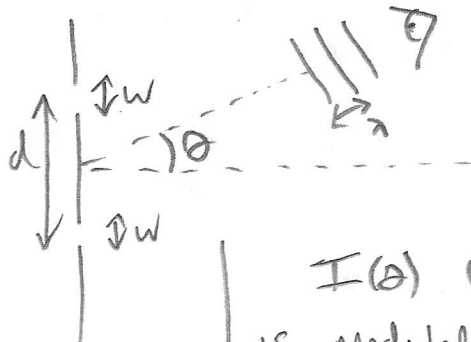
if $\theta \ll 1$ radian $\sin \theta = \frac{n\lambda}{d}$
 becomes $\theta \approx \frac{\lambda}{d}$ if $n=1$ (i.e. 'main
 grating lobe'). For any optical instrument, the 'resolving power' is
 likely to be diffraction limited. Hence $\Delta\theta \approx \frac{\lambda}{d}$ is the

Minimum angular deviation that two objects could be resolved
 via an optical system with characteristic dimension d (e.g.
 aperture width).

e.g. for the human eye, $d \approx 2\text{mm}$, so for red light
 $\lambda = 600\text{nm}$ $\therefore \Delta\theta \approx \frac{600 \times 10^{-9}\text{m}}{2 \times 10^{-3}\text{m}} \approx \boxed{3 \times 10^{-4}\text{ radians}}$
 ($\approx 0.02^\circ$)

FINITE SLIT WIDTHS

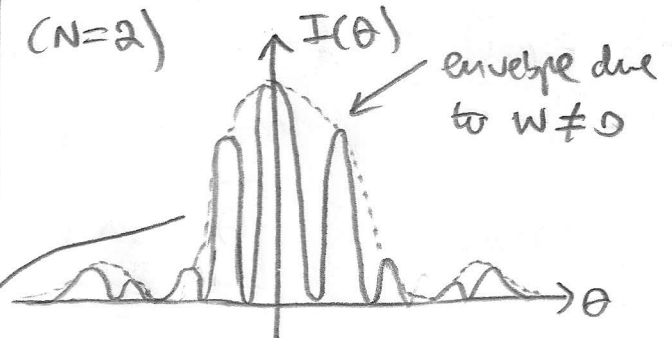
The smallest geometric
 feature of a diffraction
 grating (N slits of separation d
 and width w) gives rise to the
LARGEST feature of the diffraction
 pattern i.e. $I(\theta)$. This inverse
relation is characteristic of FOURIER
 TRANSFORMS, which is a more
 general way of describing the
 diffraction pattern of an aperture.



$I(\theta)$ (the intensity pattern)
 is modulated by an envelope
 with zeros at

$$\sin \theta = \frac{m\lambda}{w} \quad (m \neq 0)$$

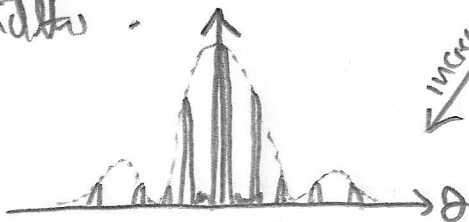
so if $w = 2\lambda$, $d = 5\lambda$
 ($N=2$)



EFFECT OF MORE SLITS

This adds fine structure (more
 subsidiary peaks) and reduces the
 peak widths.

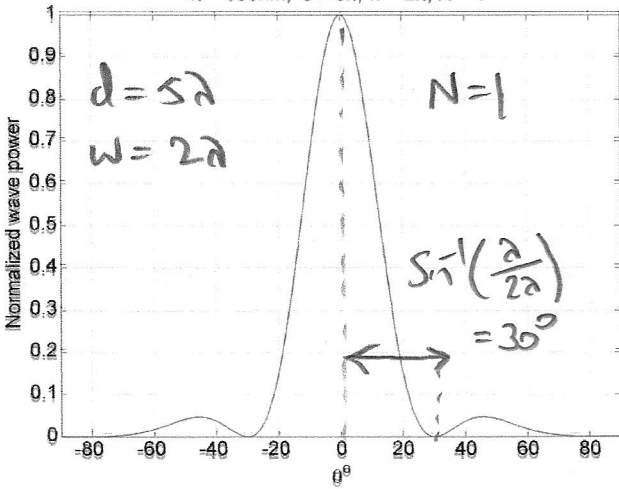
$N=7, d=5\lambda$
 $w=2\lambda$



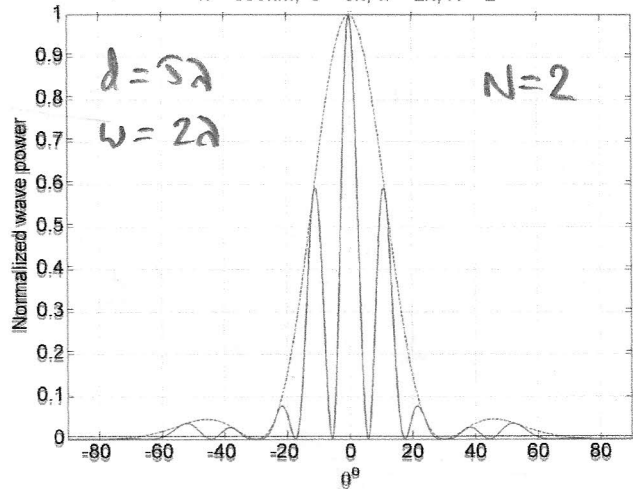
Zeros at $\theta = \pm \sin^{-1}(\frac{1}{2}), \pm \sin^{-1}(\frac{2}{5})$
 $= \pm 30^\circ, \pm 90^\circ$

Maxima at $\sin \theta = \frac{n\lambda}{d} = \frac{n}{5}$
 i.e. $0^\circ, \pm 11.5^\circ, \pm 23.6^\circ, \pm 36.9^\circ, \pm 53.1^\circ$

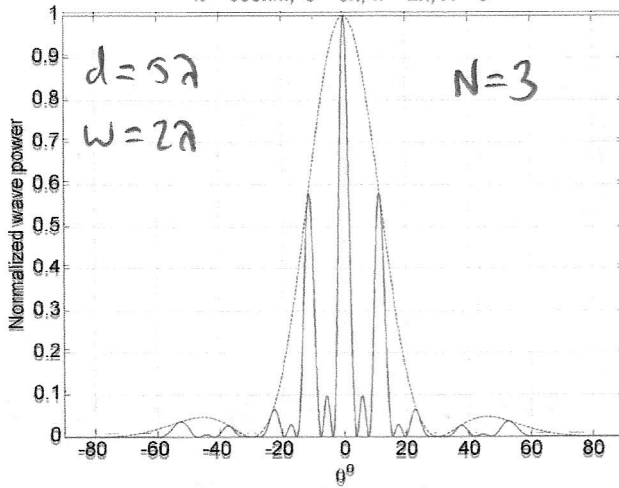
Grating Fraunhofer far field diffraction
 $\lambda = 650\text{nm}$, $s = 5\lambda$, $w = 2\lambda$, $N = 1$



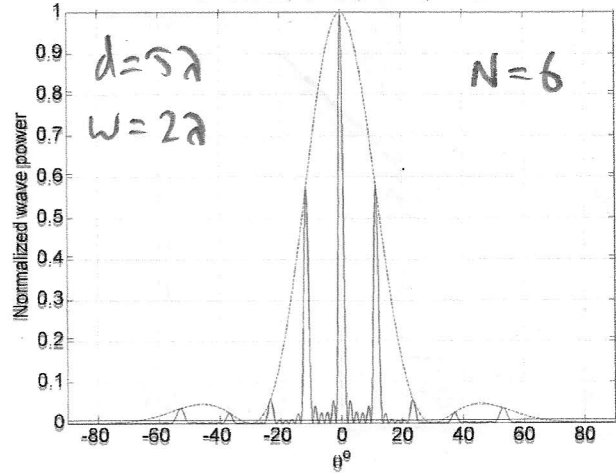
Grating Fraunhofer far field diffraction
 $\lambda = 650\text{nm}$, $s = 5\lambda$, $w = 2\lambda$, $N = 2$



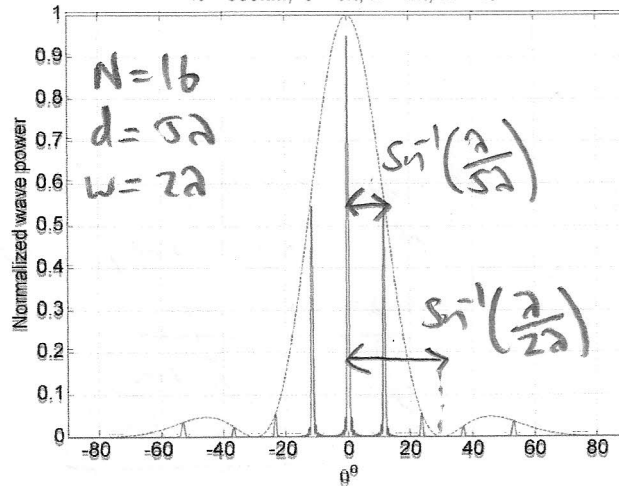
Grating Fraunhofer far field diffraction
 $\lambda = 650\text{nm}$, $s = 5\lambda$, $w = 2\lambda$, $N = 3$



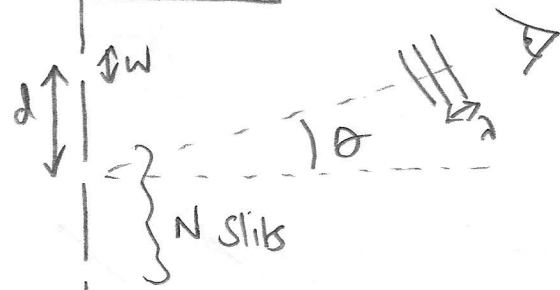
Grating Fraunhofer far field diffraction
 $\lambda = 650\text{nm}$, $s = 5\lambda$, $w = 2\lambda$, $N = 6$



Grating Fraunhofer far field diffraction
 $\lambda = 650\text{nm}$, $s = 5\lambda$, $w = 2\lambda$, $N = 16$



Summary of far-field
 "Fraunhofer" diffraction intensity
 patterns



Envelope due to finite slit width :

Zeros

at

$$\theta = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{m\lambda}{w} \right) \quad m \neq 0$$

Maxima due to slit spacing :

Maxima

at

$$\theta = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{n\lambda}{d} \right)$$

Fine structure due to # of slits

Zeros

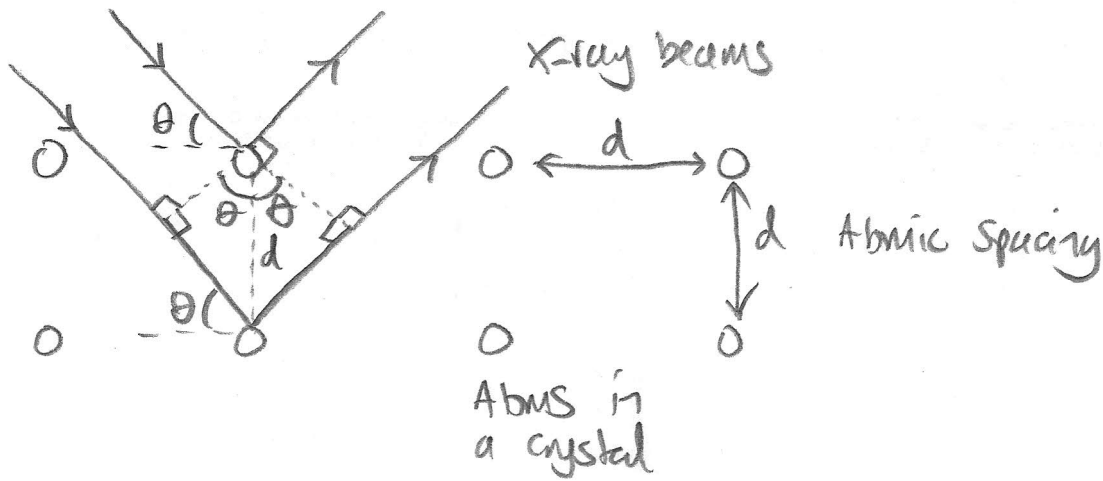
at

$$\theta = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{p\lambda}{Nd} \right)$$

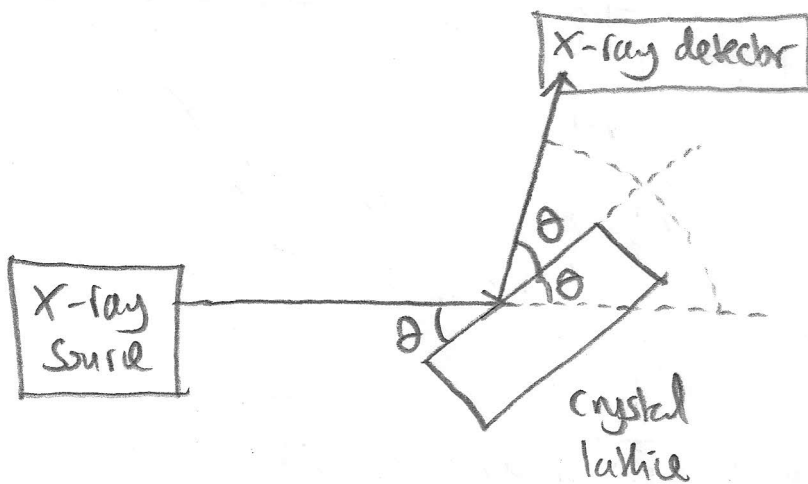
But maxima when $\frac{p}{N} = \text{integer}$ (i.e. slit spacing maxima)

Diffraction can be used to **image** small things - since diffraction pattern maxima angular spacings are $\propto \frac{1}{d}$ so the smaller d , the larger the diffraction pattern spacing of lines.

For example **"Bragg's law of X-ray diffraction"** from atoms in a crystal lattice



Path difference between X-ray beams reflecting off adjacent layers is $2d \sin \theta$. So get constructive interference when **$2d \sin \theta = n\lambda$**

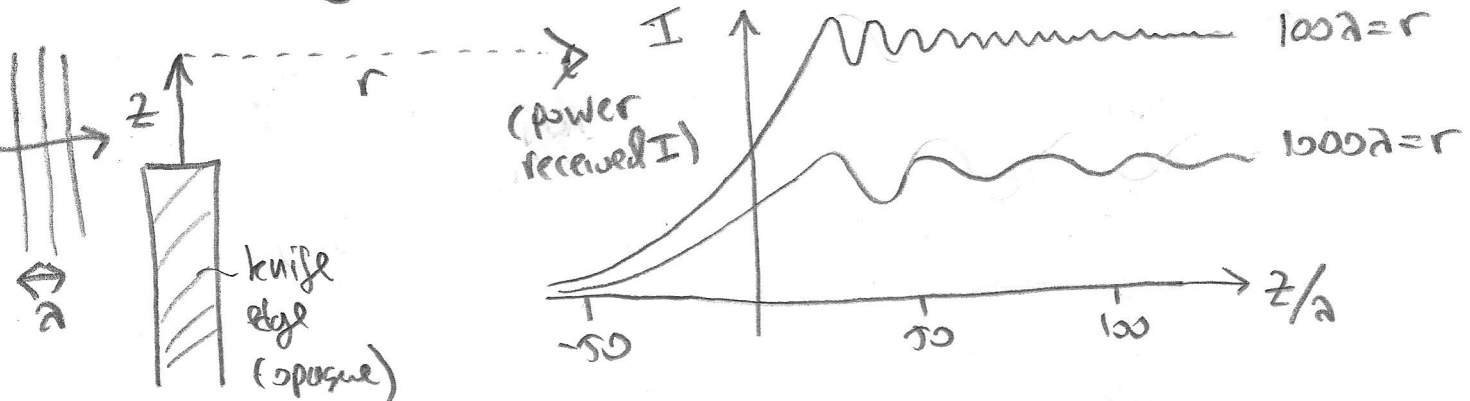


* Move X-ray detector on a turn-table, get maxima when

$$\theta = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{n\lambda}{2d} \right)$$

KNIFE EDGE DIFFRACTION

This is an example of **Fresnel diffraction** i.e. where phase does not vary linearly obsr to an aperture. (i.e. 'plane waves' no longer valid)



As $z \uparrow$ the oscillations in power diminish, and as $r \uparrow$ the received power diminishes (but interestingly the oscillations with z have larger 'wavelengths')

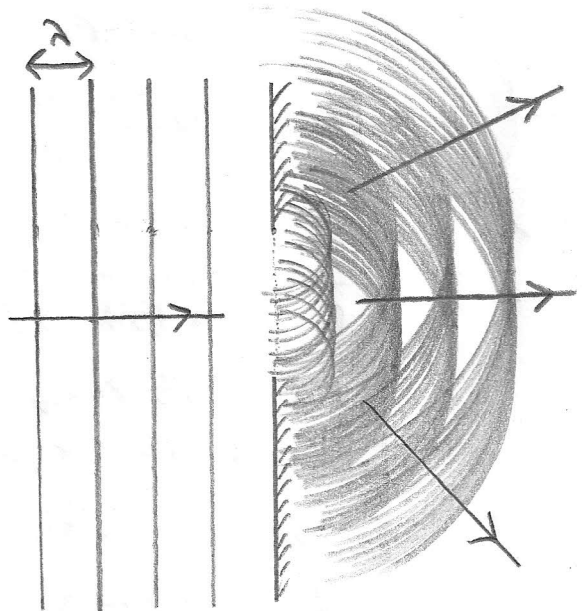
GEOMETRIC OPTICS

Light travelling in straight line rays is a useful paradigm in explaining optical phenomena geometrically.

Huygens' principle:

"Every part of a wave field is a source of spherical waves"

→ use a ruler & compass to describe diffraction.

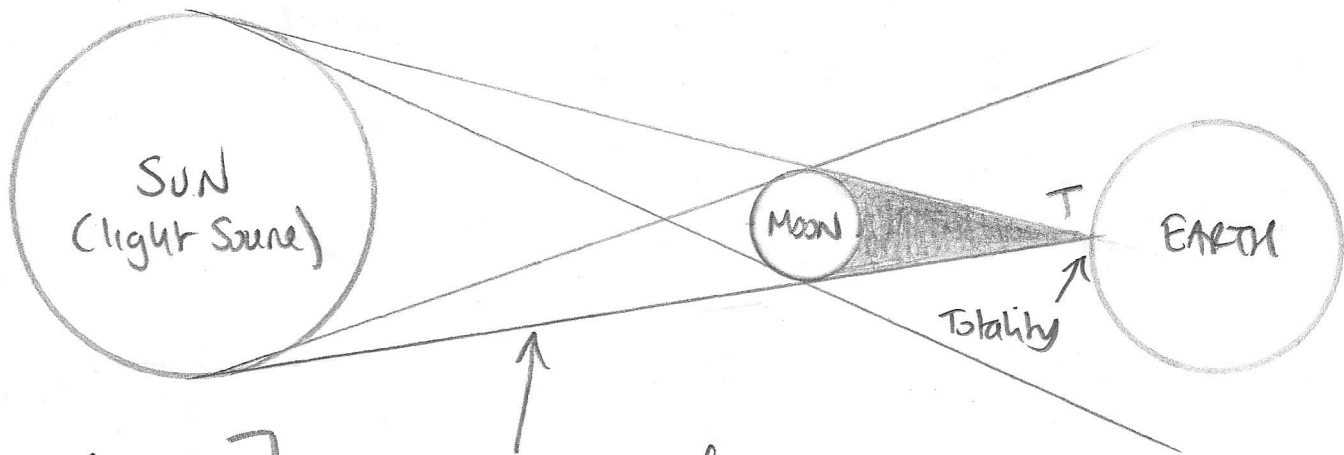


← In this case we draw circles with centres all within the gap with radii $\lambda, 2\lambda, 3\lambda$ etc.

The lines overlap to illustrate the resulting diffraction wave pattern.

ECLIPSES

Solar eclipse (Not too scale!)

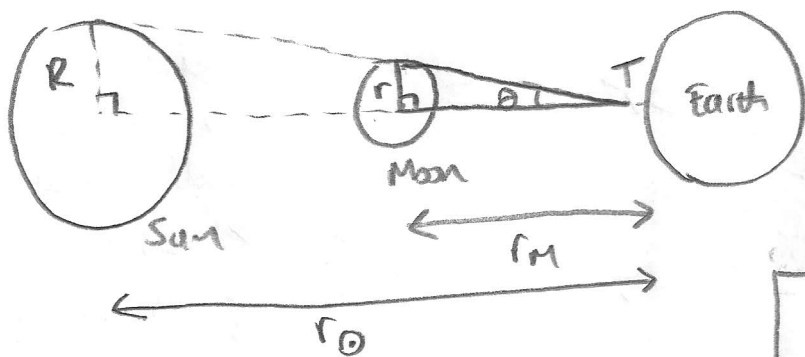


This is a daylight phenomenon, whereas the lunar eclipse is at night

Draw rays from 'Extreme' points on the solar disc that represent the boundary of illumination (i.e. lines which mark the shadow or umbra due to the moon)

In the umbra region, no light can reach from the sun - the moon blocks it all. ∴ on Earth the sun will be eclipsed , with only the solar corona visible.

Note if the rays converge on earth at T, this means the moon will exactly block the sun, since they have the same angular width.



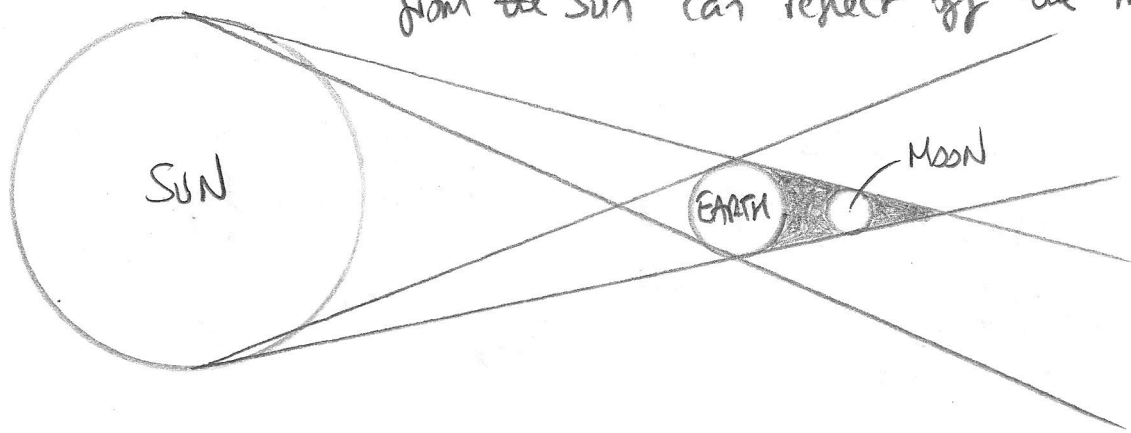
∴ Similar triangles

$$\text{So } \therefore \boxed{\frac{R}{r_0} = \frac{r}{r_m}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} r &\approx 1.737 \times 10^6 \text{ m} \\ r_m &\approx 63.8 R_{\oplus} \\ &\approx 63.8 \times 6.378 \times 10^6 \text{ m} \\ r_0 &\approx 1.496 \times 10^{11} \text{ m (IAU)} \\ R &\approx 6.960 \times 10^8 \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

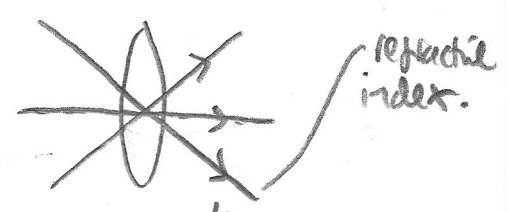
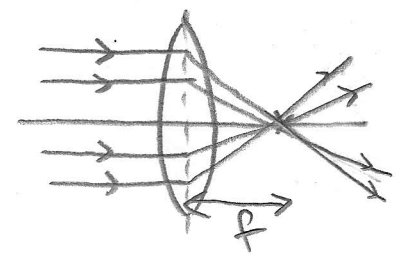
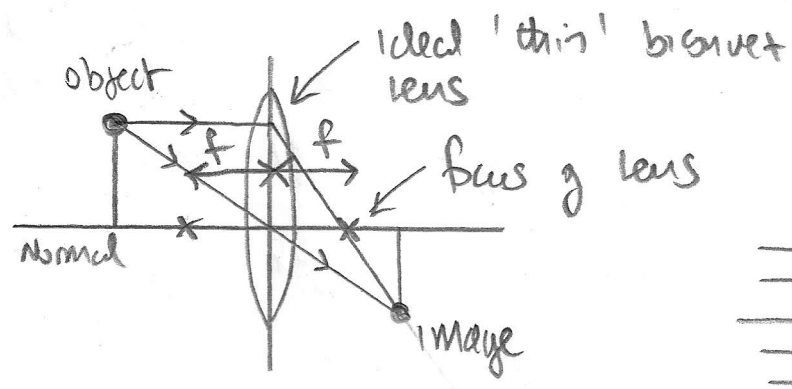
Lunar eclipse

In this case the Moon is in the umbra due to the earth. \therefore no light from the Sun can reflect off the Moon.



LENSES

Ideally a lens will focus all // rays to a single point, and rays towards the centre of the lens will pass through unrefracted.



In reality, the lenses have finite width, different λ will have different foci \leftarrow due to $n(\lambda) \neq \text{constant}$ (chromatic aberration) and rays away from the normal to the lens won't focus at f either (spherical aberration).

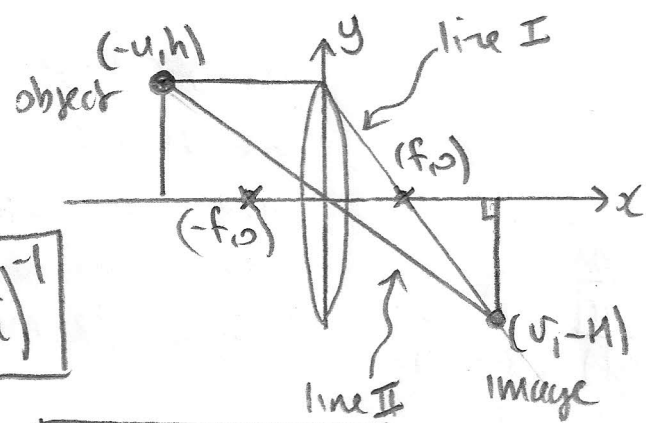


Image coordinates (v, h) are intersection of lines I, II

$$\begin{aligned} \text{I: } & y = h - \frac{h}{f}x \\ \text{II: } & y = -\frac{h}{u}x \end{aligned}$$

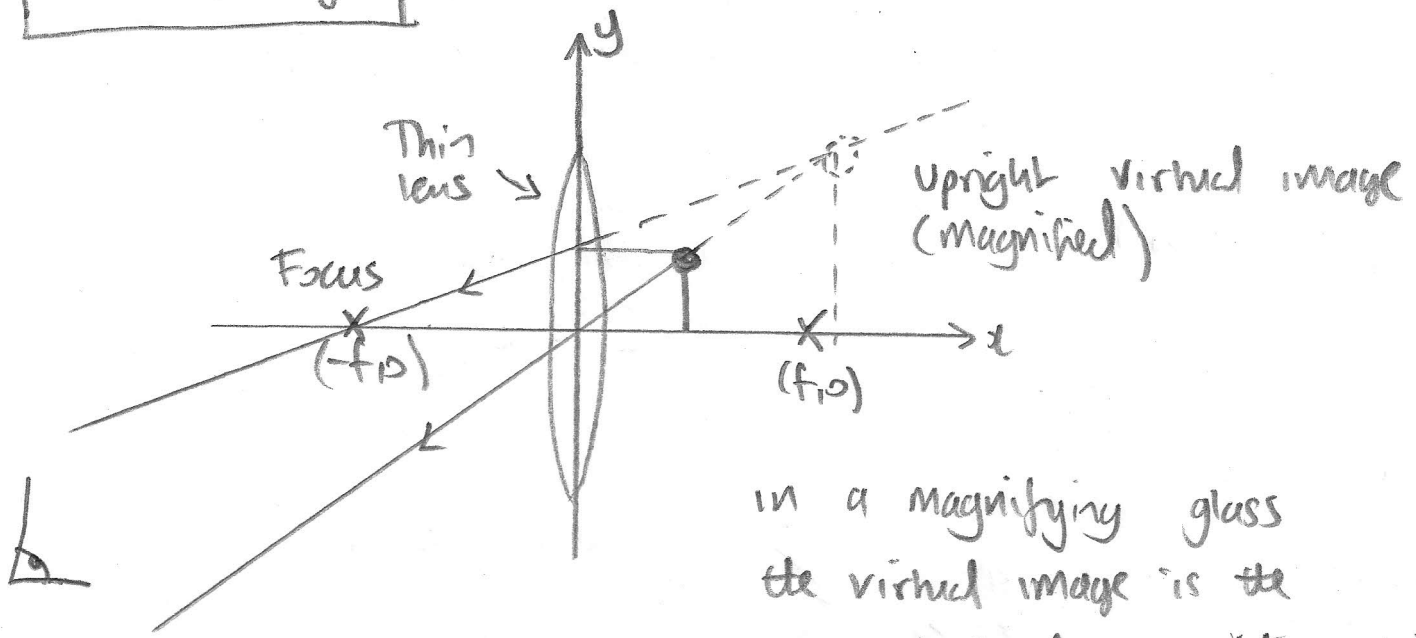
$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } & h - \frac{h}{f}v = -\frac{h}{u}v \\ \therefore & 1 = v \left(-\frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{f} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$v = \left(\frac{1}{f} - \frac{1}{u} \right)^{-1}$$

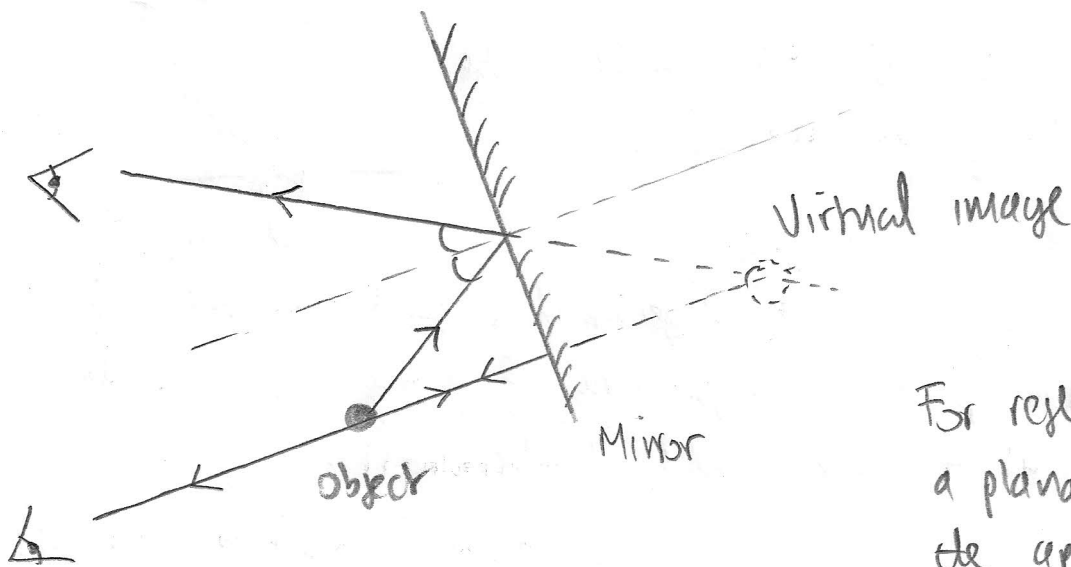
This lens formula \rightarrow $\frac{1}{v} + \frac{1}{u} = \frac{1}{f}$

$$H = \frac{h}{u}v = \frac{h}{u} \left(\frac{1}{f} - \frac{1}{u} \right)^{-1}$$

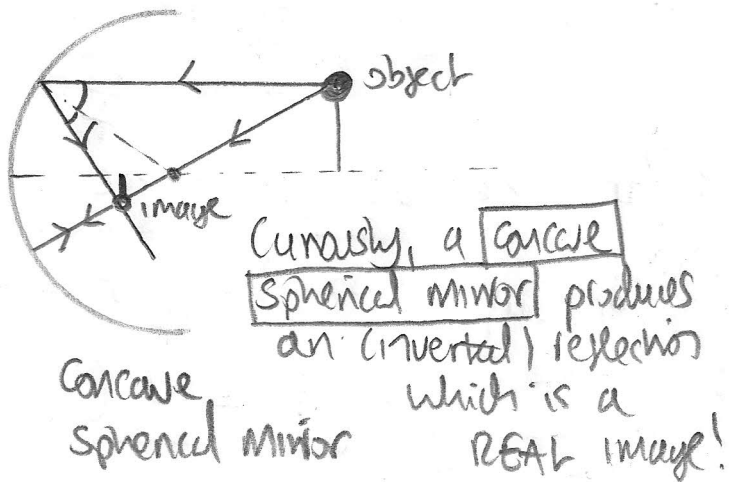
Virtual images



in a magnifying glass
the virtual image is the
apparent source of (diverging)
light rays reaching the observer
△



For reflections in
a planar mirror
the apparent source
of light rays is
the virtual image, the
same \perp distance of the
object from the mirror, but
'inside' the mirror.

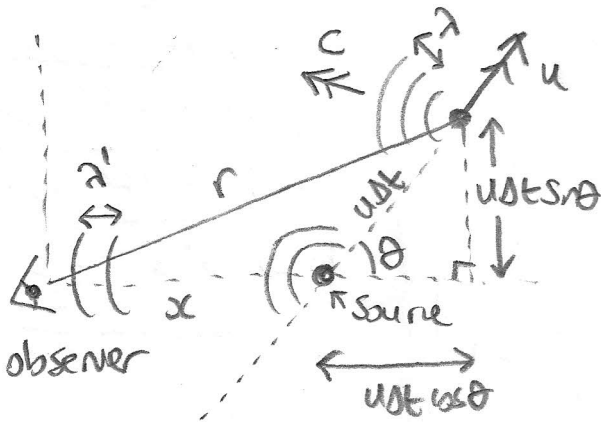


Cum gratia, a **concave**
spherical mirror produces
an (inverted) reflection
which is a
REAL image!

(see 'flying cow' demo)

DOPPLER SHIFT is the shift in frequency of waves

received by an observer if a source is in relative motion. If the source is **moving away** the frequency **reduces** and wavelength increases (REDSHIFT), if the source is approaching the frequency increases and wavelength reduces (BLUESHIFT).



(Source is moving at speed u at θ from line from observer)

Time between wave crests at observer $\Delta t' = \frac{1}{f'}$ is:

$$\Delta t' = \Delta t + \frac{r-x}{c}$$

Let wave source emit waves at speed c and wavelength λ

Let period of these waves be

$$\Delta t = \frac{1}{f} \quad c = f\lambda$$

Let waves arrive at observer with wavelength λ'

and $c = f'\lambda'$

If $\frac{r-x}{c}$ is extra time to correspond to distance travelled between wave crests emitted at source.

Pythagoras:

$$r^2 = (x + u\Delta t \cos\theta)^2 + u^2\Delta t^2 \sin^2\theta$$

$$r^2 = x^2 + 2u\Delta t \cos\theta + u^2\Delta t^2 \cos^2\theta + u^2\Delta t^2 \sin^2\theta$$

$$r^2 = x^2 + 2u\Delta t \cos\theta + u^2\Delta t^2$$

$$r^2 = x^2 \left(1 + \frac{2u\Delta t \cos\theta}{x} + \frac{u^2\Delta t^2}{x^2} \right) \quad \text{Assume } u\Delta t \ll x$$

So $r \approx x \left(1 + \frac{2u\Delta t \cos\theta}{x} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \approx x + u\Delta t \cos\theta$ (binomial expansion)

ie "plane wave approximation", extra distance 'horizontally' is $u\Delta t \cos\theta$

$$\therefore r - x \approx u\Delta t \cos\theta$$

$$\text{So } \frac{1}{f'} = \frac{1}{f} + \frac{u \cos \theta}{c} \frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{f} \left(1 + \frac{u}{c} \cos \theta \right)$$

$$\therefore f' = f \left(1 + \frac{u}{c} \cos \theta \right)^{-1}$$

Define Doppler shift $\Delta f = f' - f$

and redshift $z = \frac{f - f'}{f'}$

$$\text{So } \Delta f = f \left[\left(1 + \frac{u}{c} \cos \theta \right)^{-1} - 1 \right]$$

if $\theta = 0^\circ$ and $u \ll c$ (e.g. Siren on a car
light emitted by
an aircraft...)

$$\Delta f \approx f \left(1 - \frac{u}{c} - 1 \right)$$

$$\therefore \Delta f \approx -\frac{u}{c} f$$

which is the most 'popular'
Doppler shift formula.

$$z = \frac{f}{f'} - 1 = 1 + \frac{u}{c} \cos \theta - 1 = \frac{u}{c} \cos \theta$$

$$\text{So } z = \frac{u}{c} \cos \theta$$

is perhaps an easier (well more
memorable) description of Doppler shift.
[It is used in cosmology, where
the general trend of galaxies
to be redshifted due to the
expansion of the universe]

Note in
Radar the
target re-
radiates back
to the observer

$R = \frac{1}{2} c \Delta t$
↑
There and
back time

$$\text{So } f' = f \left(1 + \frac{u}{c} \cos \theta \right)^2$$

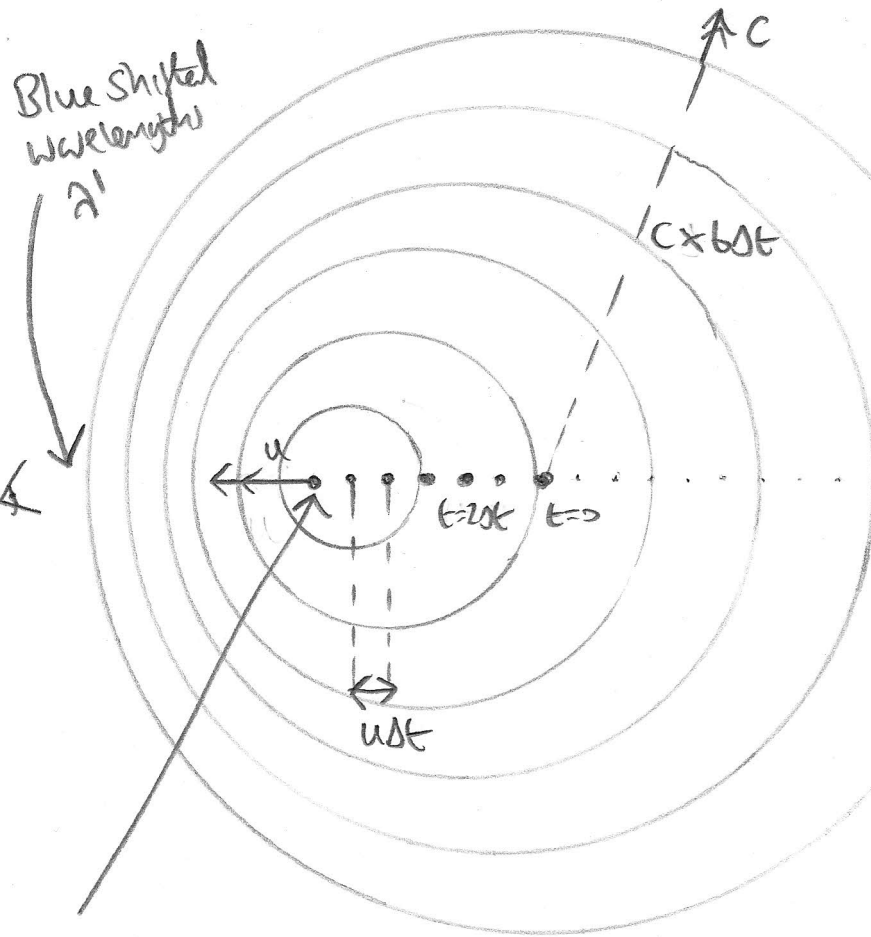
and if $u \ll c, \theta = 0^\circ$

$$\Rightarrow f' \approx -\frac{2u}{c} f$$

MACH'S CONSTRUCTION, SHOCK FRONTS AND A GRAPHICAL VISUALIZATION OF DOPPLER SHIFT

You can visualize the Doppler effect

geometrically. Draw circular wavefronts produced every Δt seconds, from $t=0$ to $t=60\Delta t$ (in this case $60\Delta t$)



Wavefront emitted at $t=0$, at time $t=60\Delta t$

Red shifted wavelengths λ'

In this example $c = 2u$
 So radius of circle from $t=0$ location is $120\Delta t$

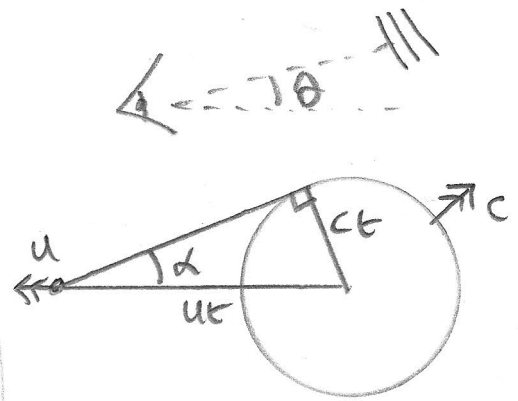
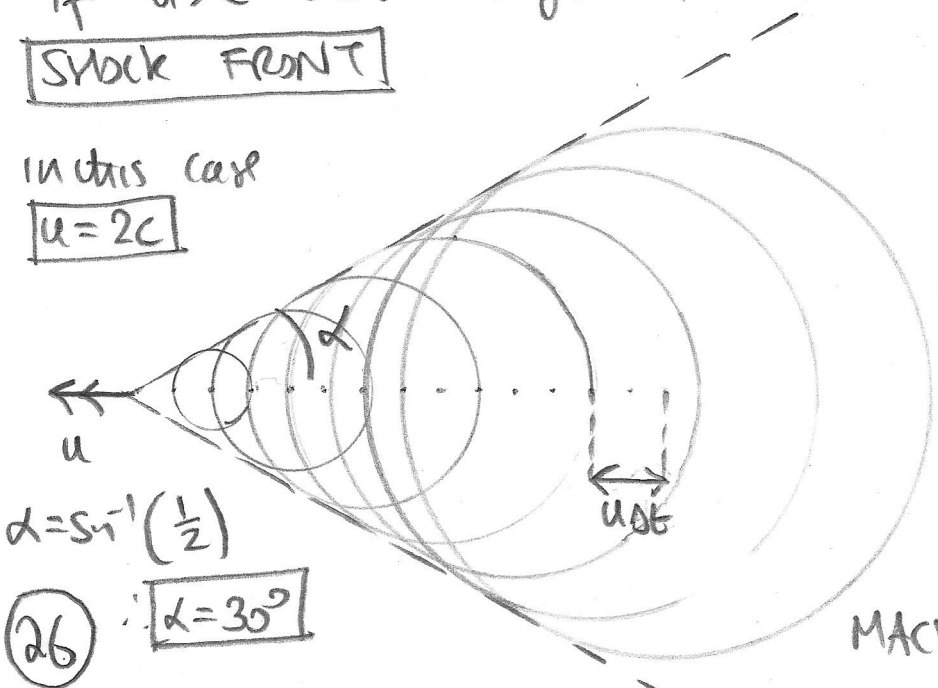
$$\frac{\lambda'}{\lambda} = 1 + \frac{u}{c} \cos \theta$$

Wave source position at $t = 60\Delta t$

Doppler shift formula:

If $u > c$ then we get a **Shock FRONT**

In this case $u = 2c$



$$u \sin \alpha = ct$$

$$\therefore \alpha = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{c}{u} \right)$$

MACH # $M = \frac{u}{c}$ $\alpha = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{M} \right)$