

Solution to Physics 108 final (2015)

1 - (1) From $s_i + s_o = 60 \text{ cm}$ and

$$M = -\frac{s_i}{s_o} \text{ (thin lens)} = -2$$

We have $s_i = 2s_o$. Thus

$$s_o = 20 \text{ cm}; s_i = 40 \text{ cm}.$$

From $\frac{1}{s_o} + \frac{1}{s_i} = \frac{1}{f}$ (or thin lens)

We have

$$f = \frac{s_o s_i}{s_o + s_i} = \frac{40}{3} \text{ cm}$$

1 - (2) If using two identical lenses that are placed one right after another with f' , then

$$\frac{1}{f'} + \frac{1}{f'} = \frac{1}{f} = \frac{2}{f'}$$

Thus,

$$f' = 2f = \frac{80}{3} \text{ cm} \quad \#$$

2-(1) Let the minimum resolved angle be $\delta\alpha_0$ in air. By Snell's law, it is related to the minimum resolved angle in a watery eye by

$$\delta\alpha_0 = n_w \delta\alpha_{\text{eye}} = n_w \frac{\lambda_0}{n_w d} = \frac{\lambda_0}{d}$$

Thus the minimum separation on an airplane at $L = 1000 \text{ m}$ away is

$$\delta l = L \cdot \delta\alpha_0 = \frac{\lambda_0 L}{d} = 0.1 \text{ m} = 10 \text{ cm.}$$

2-(2) If one uses a binocular with $M_{\text{angle}} = 50$, then the min resolved angle

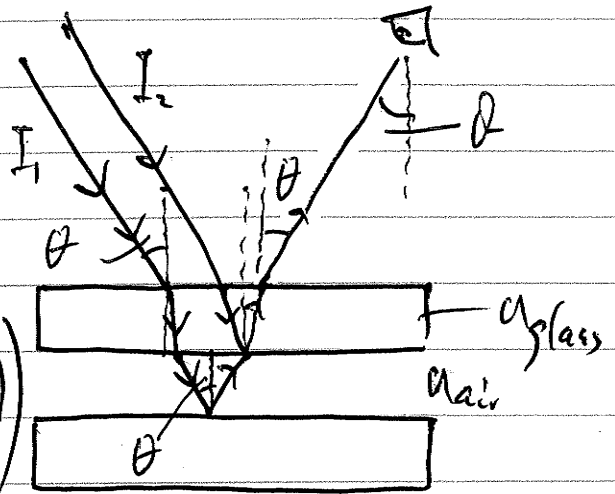
$$\delta\alpha_0' = \frac{1}{50} (n_w \delta\alpha_{\text{eye}}) = \left(\frac{1}{50}\right) \frac{\lambda_0}{d}$$

Thus

$$\delta l' = \frac{1}{50} \delta l = 2 \text{ mm} \#$$

3-(1)

As a function of viewing angle θ from the normal incidence,



$$I(\theta) = 2I_1 \left(1 - \cos\left(\frac{4\pi d}{\lambda_0} \cos\theta\right) \right)$$

Since the center is at $\theta_0 = 0$ and is completely dark,

$$I(0) = 2I_1 \left(1 - \cos\left(\frac{4\pi d}{\lambda_0}\right) \right) = 0$$

Thus

$$\frac{4\pi d}{\lambda_0} = 2\pi \cdot m$$

$$I(\theta) = 2I_1 \left(1 - \cos(2\pi \cdot m \cdot \cos\theta) \right)$$

3-(2)

If at $\theta = 5^\circ = 0.0875$ radian

$$I(\theta) = 0 = 2I_1 \left(1 - \cos(2\pi \cdot m \cdot \cos\theta) \right)$$

then $m \cdot \cos\theta = m - 1$

$$m = \frac{1}{1 - \cos\theta} = 263 \Rightarrow d = \frac{\lambda_0}{2} m = 79 \mu\text{m}$$

4-(1) Since $n(\text{red}) < n(\text{yellow}) < n(\text{green}) < n(\text{blue}) < n(\text{violet})$, then from

$$\theta_{lc} = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$$

Violet is totally reflected first, and red is totally reflected last.

4-(2) Since ω_0 for water is larger than ω_0 for glass, when ω increases from red to violet, $n(\omega) = \sqrt{\epsilon(\omega)}$ changes ~~less for~~ ~~water than~~ less in water than in glass:

$$\left| \frac{dn(\omega)}{d\omega} \right| = \frac{2\omega\omega_p^2}{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2} \propto \frac{1}{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2}$$

Thus the angular spread of the colors in water is smaller than the spread in glass. Mathematically, from

$$\sin \theta_1 = n(\omega) \sin \theta_2(\omega)$$

For a fixed θ_1 ,

$$s(\sin \theta_1) = 0 = \delta n(\omega) \cdot \sin \theta_2 + n(\omega) \cos \theta_2 \cdot \delta \theta_2$$

$$\therefore \left| \frac{d\theta_c}{dw} \right| = \left| \frac{d\theta_c}{du} \cdot \frac{du}{dw} \right|$$

$$= \underbrace{\frac{1}{n(u)}}_{\sim \text{constant}} \cdot \left| \frac{du}{dw} \right|$$

$$\propto \left| \frac{du}{dw} \right| \quad \#$$

$$\therefore \left| \frac{du}{dw} \right|_{\text{water}} < \left| \frac{du}{dw} \right|_{\text{glass}} \quad \#$$

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5-(i)

Let $u_1 < u_2$ to be specific, and $\theta_1 < \theta_{10}$.
Since

$$R_S = |V_S|^2 = \left(\frac{u_1 a \theta_1 - u_2 a \theta_2}{u_1 a \theta_1 + u_2 a \theta_2} \right)^2 \quad (1)$$

$$R_P = |V_P|^2 = \left(\frac{u_1 a \theta_2 - u_2 a \theta_1}{u_1 a \theta_2 + u_2 a \theta_1} \right)^2 \quad (2)$$

Proving $R_S > R_P$ is equivalent to proving

$$(u_1 a \theta_2 + u_2 a \theta_1)^2 (u_1 a \theta_1 - u_2 a \theta_2)^2 \quad (3)$$

is larger than

$$(u_1 a \theta_1 + u_2 a \theta_2)^2 (u_1 a \theta_2 - u_2 a \theta_1)^2 \quad (4)$$

With $\theta_1 < \theta_{10}$, we have both

$$u_2 a \theta_2 > u_1 a \theta_1 \quad (5)$$

$$u_2 a \theta_1 > u_1 a \theta_2 \quad (6)$$

Then we only need to prove

$$(u_1 a \theta_2 + u_2 a \theta_1)(u_2 a \theta_2 - u_1 a \theta_1) \dots \quad (7)$$

$$\geq (u_1 a \theta_1 + u_2 a \theta_2)(u_2 a \theta_1 - u_1 a \theta_2) \dots \quad (8)$$

Now

$$(7) = u_1 u_2 (a_1^2 \theta_2^2 - a_2^2 \theta_1^2) + a_1 a_2 (u_2^2 - u_1^2)$$

$$(8) = u_1 u_2 (a_1^2 \theta_1^2 - a_2^2 \theta_2^2) + a_1 a_2 (u_2^2 - u_1^2)$$

Since $\theta_1 > \theta_2$ ($u_1 < u_2$), $a_1^2 \theta_2^2 > a_2^2 \theta_1^2$

$$u_1 u_2 (a_1^2 \theta_2^2 - a_2^2 \theta_1^2) > 0$$

$$u_1 u_2 (a_1^2 \theta_1^2 - a_2^2 \theta_2^2) < 0$$

$$\therefore (7) > (8) \Rightarrow R_s \geq R_p$$

5-(2) For $\theta_1 \geq \theta_2$, proving $R_s \geq R_p$ is equivalent to proving

$$(u_1 a_1 \theta_2 + u_2 a_2 \theta_1)(u_2 a_1 \theta_2 - u_1 a_2 \theta_1) \dots (7)'$$

$$\geq (u_1 a_1 \theta_1 + u_2 a_2 \theta_2)(u_1 a_1 \theta_1 - u_2 a_2 \theta_2) \dots (8)'$$

$$(7)' = a_1 a_2 (u_2^2 - u_1^2) + u_1 u_2 (a_1^2 \theta_2^2 - a_2^2 \theta_1^2)$$

$$(8)' = a_1 a_2 (u_1^2 - u_2^2) + u_1 u_2 (a_1^2 \theta_1^2 - a_2^2 \theta_2^2)$$

Now since $(7)' > 0$, $(8)' > 0$, but

$$\text{and, } \text{and}_1 \text{ and}_2 (a_2^2 - a_1^2) > 0$$

$$\text{and}_1 \text{ and}_2 (a_1^2 - a_2^2) < 0,$$

we have

$$(7)' > (8)'$$

thus $R_s > R_p$ for $d_1 > d_{1B}$ ~~#~~

6-(a)

For $n_1 > n_2$,

$$\tan \theta_{10} = \frac{n_2}{n_1} = \frac{\sin \theta_{10}}{\cos \theta_{10}}$$

$$\sin \theta_{1c} = \frac{n_2}{n_1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \sin \theta_{10} &= \cos \theta_{10} \cdot \left(\frac{n_2}{n_1} \right) \\ &= \cos \theta_{10} \cdot \sin \theta_{1c} \\ &< \sin \theta_{1c} \end{aligned}$$

Since $\cos \theta_{10} < 1$ *

6-(b)

When $\vec{E} \parallel OA$, we call it e-ray (\vec{E}_e), the critical angle for e-ray is

$$\theta_{1c}^{(e)} = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{n_e} \right) = 42.3^\circ$$

When $\vec{E} \perp OA$, we call it o-ray (\vec{E}_o), the critical angle for o-ray is

$$\theta_{1c}^{(o)} = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{n_o} \right) = 37.1^\circ$$

7-(a)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{3} \end{pmatrix} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ \sqrt{3}/2 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} \cos 60^\circ \\ \sin 60^\circ \end{pmatrix}$$

Linearly polarized at an angle 60° from the x-axis

7-(b)

$$\begin{pmatrix} -i \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{i} \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ -i/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} = (-i\sqrt{2}) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{pmatrix}$$

Right-circularly polarized

7-(c)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1+i \\ -1+i \end{pmatrix} = \sqrt{2} \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\pi/4} \\ e^{i3\pi/4} \end{pmatrix} = \sqrt{2} e^{i\pi/4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{pmatrix} \\ = (2e^{i\pi/4}) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{pmatrix}$$

Left-circularly polarized

$$7-(d) \begin{pmatrix} i \\ 1+i \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\pi/2} \\ \sqrt{2} e^{i\pi/4} \end{pmatrix} = \sqrt{3} e^{i\pi/2} \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{3} \\ \sqrt{2/3} \cdot e^{-i\pi/4} \end{pmatrix}$$

elliptically polarized, ccw, \odot

8- (i) Simply a linear polarizer with Tally

$$M_{\text{linear}}(\text{Tally}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

or

$$M_{\text{linear}}(\theta = 90^\circ) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos^2 \theta & \cos \theta \sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \sin \theta & \sin^2 \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

then with $\vec{E}_{\text{inc}} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta e^{i\Delta\phi} \end{pmatrix}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{E}_{\text{out}} &= M_{\text{linear}}(\text{Tally}) \vec{E}_{\text{inc}} \\ &= \beta e^{i\Delta\phi} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

The total energy is reduced from

$$(\alpha^2 + \beta^2) = 1$$

to $\beta^2 \leq \alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 1$ #

8-(2)

Starting with a linear polarizer with
TA at 45° from x-axis,

$$M_{\text{linear}}(\theta=45^\circ) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

then the output from the linear polarizer

$$\vec{E}_{\text{out}}^{(1)} = M_{\text{linear}}(\theta=45^\circ) \vec{E}_{\text{in}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\alpha + \beta e^{i\Delta\phi_0}) \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

Now for a left-circular polarized light,
we need to add $+\pi/2$ phase to the
y-component. We use a $\pi/4$ -plate
so oriented that

$$M_{\pi/4} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\pi/2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{E}_{\text{out}}^{(2)} = M_{\pi/4} \vec{E}_{\text{out}}^{(1)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\alpha + \beta e^{i\Delta\phi_0}) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\alpha + \beta e^{i\Delta\phi_0}) \right|^2 \leq 1$$

If you start from the answer of Part (a),

$$\vec{E}_{out}^{(1)} = \beta e^{i\Delta\phi_0} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

If we have a $\lambda/4$ plate set at $\theta = 45^\circ$, then

$$M_{\lambda/4}(\theta = +45^\circ) = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1+i & -i \\ -i & 1+i \end{pmatrix}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{E}_{out}^{(2)} &= \beta e^{i\Delta\phi_0} \begin{pmatrix} 1-i \\ 1+i \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ &= \beta e^{i\Delta\phi_0} e^{i\pi/4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

is a left-circularly polarized

If we start from $\begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta e^{i\Delta\phi_0} \end{pmatrix}$ and $M_{\lambda/4} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix}$ then $\vec{E}_{out}^{(1)} = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$. We use $\lambda/4$ at -45° :

$$M_{\lambda/4}(-45^\circ) = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1+i & i-1 \\ i-1 & 1+i \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \vec{E}_{out}^{(2)} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{pmatrix}$$

8-(3)

First use a wave-plate with arbitrarily adjustable phase

$$M_{wp}(\Delta) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\Delta} \end{pmatrix}$$

and choose $\Delta = -\Delta\phi_0$, then

$$\vec{E}_{out}^{(1)} = M_{wp}(\Delta = -\Delta\phi_0) \vec{E}_{inc}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tan\theta = \beta/\alpha$$

They use a half-wave plate to rotate the linear polarized $\vec{E}_{out}^{(1)}$ into

$$\vec{E}_{out}^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left(M_{\lambda/2} = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \\ \cos\theta & +\sin\theta \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

Followed by a $\lambda/4$ -plate at $+45^\circ$

$$M_{\lambda/4}(+45^\circ) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1+i & 1-i \\ 1-i & 1+i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E}_{out}^{(3)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{no loss of power.}$$