

Chapter 34 (Continue)

Maxwell's Equation

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$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = - \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{J} + \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = 0 \quad \text{Continuity Equation.}$$

$$\vec{F} = q(\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B})$$

Electrostatics

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \quad (A)$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = 0$$

Remark: $\vec{E}$ and $\vec{B}$ are independent

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = -\nabla \phi \Leftrightarrow \nabla \times \vec{E} = 0$$

ϕ is ^{the} scalar potential

$$\nabla \times (-\nabla \phi) = -\nabla \times (\nabla \phi) \stackrel{\downarrow}{=} 0$$

vector identity

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \Rightarrow \nabla \cdot (-\nabla \phi) = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla^2 \phi = - \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \quad \text{Poisson Equation}$$

Advantage of Using ϕ the scalar potential

ϕ is a scalar function

$\vec{E}$ can be obtained from ϕ by differentiation

Instead solving A (which write it out
 $\downarrow$
 4 equation)

Writing $\vec{E} = -\nabla\phi$, then $\nabla \times \vec{E} = 0$ is automatically satisfied

Note $\nabla^2\phi = -\frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$ with localized charge
 we choose $\phi(\vec{r}) \rightarrow 0$ as $|\vec{r}| \rightarrow \infty$

$$\phi(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\rho(\vec{r}') d\tau'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}$$

$\downarrow$
 energy density

Magnetostatics

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \iff \vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A}$$

$\downarrow$
 vector identity

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = \nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{A}) \stackrel{\downarrow}{=} 0$$

$$\text{With } \vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A}$$

Equation $\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$ is automatically satisfied.

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{A})$$

$$= \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) - \nabla^2 \vec{A} = \mu_0 \vec{J}$$

If we can choose $\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = 0$, then the
 above equation reduces to

$$\nabla^2 \vec{A} = \mu_0 \vec{J}$$

This equation has three components

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each components have
exactly the same form
as
that of the Poisson equation

The rest follows straightforwardly.

The problem now is to show we can always
choose $\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = 0$

• $\vec{A}$ is not unique.

In classical physics, $\vec{A}$ is just a tool
for calculating $\vec{B}$

Two vector potentials $\vec{A}$, $\vec{A}'$ as just
as good if both give the same $\vec{B}$

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namely, $\vec{A}$ is not unique

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there is large set of $\vec{A}$'s
that work as well.

We can use any of them.
to solve the problem.

If $\vec{A}$ is a vector potential, then under
a transformation

$$\vec{A} \rightarrow \vec{A}' = \vec{A} + \nabla \chi$$

↳ any
scalar function

$$\nabla \times \vec{A} = \nabla \times \vec{A}'$$

Proof $\nabla \times \vec{A}' = \nabla \times (\vec{A} + \nabla \chi) = \nabla \times \vec{A}$
[$\nabla \times (\nabla \chi) = 0$]

This is a huge number of $\vec{A}$
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 we can impose ^{extra} condition
 such
 as
 $\nabla \cdot \vec{A}$.

If $\vec{A}$ is found, but $\nabla \cdot \vec{A} \neq 0$
 then we can always find $\vec{A}' = \vec{A} + \nabla \chi$
 and impose $\nabla \cdot \vec{A}' = \nabla \cdot \vec{A} + \nabla^2 \chi = 0$
 by choosing a χ such that the condition
 $\nabla \cdot \vec{A}' = 0$ is satisfied

$\vec{A}, \vec{A}'$ will give the same $\vec{B}$

$\Rightarrow$ We can always find a vector potential
 that gives the correct $\vec{B}$ and ^{also} satisfied
 the condition $\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = 0$

With the $\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = 0$ condition

$$\Rightarrow \nabla^2 \vec{A} = \mu_0 \vec{J}$$

the rest is straightforward.

Remark:

$$\vec{A} \rightarrow \vec{A}' = \vec{A} + \nabla \chi \quad \text{gauge transformation}$$

physics is unchanged under gauge transformation

$\Rightarrow$ gauge invariance.

The freedom of imposed extra condition on $\vec{A}$
 such as $\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = 0$ is known as gauge
 freedom.

Choosing an extra condition on $\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = 0$ to work
 with is known as fixing the gauge (condition)
 $\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = 0$ is known as the Coulomb gauge
 $\downarrow$
 usually used in static
 case.

$$\nabla^2 A = \mu_0 \vec{J}$$

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$\vec{J}$ is localized
we shall choose $\vec{A}(\vec{r}) \rightarrow 0$
as $|\vec{r}| \rightarrow \infty$

$$\vec{A}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{J}(\vec{r}') d\tau'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}$$

We can show that if $\nabla \cdot \vec{J} = 0$ then the $\vec{A}(\vec{r})$ given above satisfies the Coulomb gauge condition $\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = 0$

Next we shall extend this discussion to the general case.

Go back to the Maxwell's Equation for the time independent case

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \quad (1)$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \quad (2)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \quad (3)$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} \quad (4)$$

All quantities are function of $\vec{r}, t$

(2), (3) are known as homogeneous equations, i.e., independent of $\rho, \vec{J}$

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we should solve them once for all

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vector and scalar potential

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A} \quad (A)$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \times \vec{A}) = - \nabla \times \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{A} \right)$$

$$\nabla \times \left(\vec{E} + \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t} \right) = 0$$

$$\vec{E} + \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t} = - \nabla \phi$$

$$\vec{E} = - \nabla \phi - \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t} \quad (B)$$

With the introduction of $\phi, \vec{A}$
the $\vec{E}, \vec{B}$ can be calculated by differentiation.

equations (2), (3) of the Maxwell are automatically satisfied.

Substitute the equations (A), (B) into equations (1), (4), we obtain

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \left(- \nabla \phi - \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t} \right) = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \rho \quad (C)$$

$$\nabla^2 \phi + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \rho$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{A}) = \mu_0 \vec{J} - \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \nabla \left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} \right) - \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial t^2}$$

$$\nabla (\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) - \nabla^2 \vec{A}$$

$$\left(\nabla^2 \vec{A} - \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial t^2} \right) - \nabla \left(\nabla \cdot \vec{A} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} \right) = -\mu_0 \vec{J} \quad (D)$$

Equation (D) can be written as

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$$\nabla^2 \vec{A} - \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial t^2} = -\mu_0 \vec{J}$$

$$(\nabla^2 - \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2}) \vec{A} = -\mu_0 \vec{J} \quad (E)$$

$\Downarrow$

$$\square \equiv (\nabla^2 - \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2})$$

$\downarrow$

d' Alembertian

$$\square \vec{A} = -\mu_0 \vec{J}$$

Equation (C)

$$\nabla^2 \phi + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \rho$$

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$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (-\epsilon_0 \mu_0 \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t}) = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \rho$$

$$\nabla^2 \phi - \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial t^2} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \rho$$

$\Downarrow$

$$\square \phi = -\frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \Leftrightarrow (\nabla^2 - \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2}) \phi = -\frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \quad (F)$$

Remark:

With this choice,

$\vec{A}, \phi$ are decoupled

and

have the same form.

The solutions are given as follows

$$\phi(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_V \frac{\rho(\vec{r}', t - \frac{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}{c})}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d\tau'$$

$$\vec{A}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int_V \frac{\vec{J}(\vec{r}', t - \frac{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}{c})}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d\tau'$$

$$t' = t - \frac{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}{c}$$

$$\mu_0 \epsilon_0 = \frac{1}{c^2}$$

Maxwell's Equations in "Vacuum"

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = 0 \quad \nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \quad \nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

Note: The symmetry

$$\epsilon_0 \mu_0 = \frac{1}{c^2}$$

The importance of the displacement current

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{E}) &= \nabla (\nabla \cdot \vec{E}) - \nabla^2 \vec{E} = \nabla \times \left(-\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}\right) \\ &= -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \times \vec{B}) = -\mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2} \end{aligned}$$

Since $\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = 0$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2}$$

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{B}) = \nabla (\nabla \cdot \vec{B}) - \nabla^2 \vec{B}$$

$$= \nabla \times \left(\mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}\right)$$

$$= \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \times \vec{E}) = -\mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}}{\partial t^2}$$

Since $\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{B} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}}{\partial t^2}$$

$$\epsilon_0 \mu_0 = \frac{1}{c^2}$$

These are the basic equations for EM waves

1. One dimensional wave (harmonic)

$$y(x, t) = A \sin(kx - \omega t)$$

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amplitude

$$= A \sin k(x - \frac{\omega}{k}t)$$

$$= A \sin k(x - vt)$$

Wave is propagating with velocity v along x

If y is in the direction of propagation then it is called longitudinal wave.

If y is perpendicular to the direction of propagation then it is called transverse wave

$$y(x, t + \Delta t) = A \sin k(x - v\Delta t - vt)$$

$$= y(x - v\Delta t, t)$$

↓

the wave is propagating with
velocity v along the x direction

2. Wavelength, frequency

$$y(x + \lambda, t) = A \sin[k(x + \lambda) - \omega t]$$

↙ wavelength

$$= y(x, t)$$

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

k is known as the
wave number

$$y(x, t + T) = y(x, t)$$

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period

$$\Rightarrow \omega T = 2\pi \Rightarrow \omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} = 2\pi\nu(f)$$

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frequency

$$v = \frac{\omega}{k} = \frac{2\pi\nu}{2\pi/\lambda} = \lambda\nu$$

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very useful result.

3. Wave equation

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial t} = A(-\omega) \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = A(-\omega^2) \sin(kx - \omega t)$$

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = Ak \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = -Ak^2 \sin(kx - \omega t)$$

$$\frac{\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2}}{\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2}} = \frac{\omega^2}{k^2} = v^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2}$$

↓
the wave equation

4. The wave equation is linear

⇒ if y_1, y_2 are solutions of the wave equation, then $\alpha y_1 + \beta y_2$ (α, β are constants) is also a solution of the wave equation

⇒ solutions of the wave equation are superposition of harmonic waves.

5. Three dimensional wave

$$k \rightarrow \vec{k}$$

↳ wave vector, direction is along the direction of propagation

$$x \rightarrow \vec{r} = (x, y, z)$$

6. Electromagnetic wave.

Propagation of the $\vec{E}(x, y, z; t)$ and $\vec{B}(x, y, z; t)$

Note:

(i) Electromagnetic wave is a vector wave.

(ii) It satisfies the Maxwell equations.

A harmonic electromagnetic wave is given by

$$\vec{E}(x, y, z, t) = \vec{E}_0 \sin(k_x x + k_y y + k_z z - \omega t)$$

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constant vector (E_{0x}, E_{0y}, E_{0z})

$$\vec{B}(x, y, z, t) = \vec{B}_0 \sin(k_x x + k_y y + k_z z - \omega t)$$

↓
constant (B_{0x}, B_{0y}, B_{0z})

Written in compact form

$$\vec{E} = \vec{E}_0 \sin(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)$$

$$\vec{B} = \vec{B}_0 \sin(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)$$

7. Harmonic wave and Maxwell equation

Want to find the conditions that $\vec{E}, \vec{B}$ must satisfy in order for the electromagnetic wave to be propagating in vacuum.

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must satisfy the free Maxwell equation

$$(i) \quad \nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\partial E_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial E_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial E_z}{\partial z} = 0$$

$$E_x = E_{0x} \sin[k_x x + k_y y + k_z z - \omega t]$$

$$= E_{0x} \sin[\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t]$$

$$\frac{\partial E_x}{\partial x} = E_{0x} k_x \cos[k_x x + k_y y + k_z z - \omega t]$$

$$= E_{0x} k_x \cos[\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t]$$

Use the same method, we find

$$\frac{\partial E_y}{\partial y} = E_{0y} k_y \cos[\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t]$$

$$\frac{\partial E_z}{\partial z} = E_{0z} k_z \cos[\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t]$$

$$\text{Combine these} \Rightarrow E_{0x} k_x + E_{0y} k_y + E_{0z} k_z = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E}_0 \cdot \vec{k} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{E} \cdot \vec{k} = 0 \quad \vec{E} \text{ field is transverse.}$$

(ii) Same argument $\Rightarrow \vec{B}_0 \cdot \vec{k} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{B} \cdot \vec{k} = 0$

$\Rightarrow \vec{B}$ field is transverse.

(iii) $\nabla \times \vec{E} = - \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ E_x & E_y & E_z \end{vmatrix}$$

Look at the x component

$$\frac{\partial E_z}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial E_y}{\partial z} = - \frac{\partial B_x}{\partial t}$$

Follow the same procedure as in last section, one finds

$$\frac{\partial E_z}{\partial y} = E_{0z} k_y \cos[\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t]$$

$$\frac{\partial E_y}{\partial z} = E_{0y} k_z \cos[\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t]$$

$$\frac{\partial B_x}{\partial t} = -B_{0x} \omega \cos[\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t]$$

Put it together

$$\Rightarrow E_{0z} k_y - E_{0y} k_z = \omega B_x$$

Work out the other components and combine them into vector form

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E}_0 \times \vec{k} = \omega \vec{B}_0$$

$\Rightarrow \vec{E}, \vec{B}, \vec{k}$ are mutually $\perp$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{E}_0| |\vec{k}| = \omega |\vec{B}_0|$$

$$|\vec{E}_0| = \frac{\omega}{k} |\vec{B}_0|$$

$$= \underset{\downarrow}{c} |\vec{B}_0|$$

velocity of light in vacuum.

(iv) In vacuum $\nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$

Note: no current

Use the same procedure as last section

$$\Rightarrow \vec{B}_0 \times \vec{k} = \omega \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \vec{E}_0$$

$$|\vec{B}_0| |\vec{k}| = \omega \mu_0 \epsilon_0 |\vec{E}_0| = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\omega^2}{k} B_0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\omega^2}{k^2} = \frac{1}{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}}$$

"Eurco" !

The most important discovery of the 19th century.

8. Energy transfer

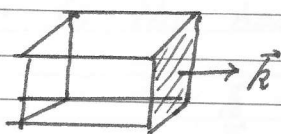
The most important usage of the electromagnetic wave is energy transfer

Energy transfer across a unit surface ($\perp$ to the direction of propagating) per unit time is given by

$$\vec{S} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \vec{E} \times \vec{B}$$

↳ Poynting vector

Clearly $\vec{S}$ is along $\vec{k}$, the direction of wave propagation $\leftrightarrow$ direction of energy transfer



energy cross the surface in time Δt

$$= U_{em} \cdot \Delta V$$

$\downarrow$ $\quad \quad \quad \downarrow$
 $A \quad c \Delta t$

electromagnetic energy density

$$\Rightarrow \text{Energy transfer per unit area per unit time} = U_{em} c$$

9. Intensity

$$\begin{aligned}
 \underset{\substack{\downarrow \\ \text{intensity}}}{I} &= \bar{S}^2 = \frac{1}{\epsilon\mu_0} |\vec{E}_0|^2 \sin^2(kx - \omega t) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\mu_0 c} |\vec{E}_0|^2 = \frac{1}{\mu_0 c} \underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |\vec{E}_0|\right)^2}_{E_{rms.}}
 \end{aligned}$$

In harmonic electromagnetic wave, it can be easily shown that $U_E = U_m$

$\swarrow$ magnetic energy density

electric energy density.

$$I = \frac{P_s}{4\pi r^2}$$

$\swarrow$ power at the source
geometrical factor for spherical wave

Clearly I is closely related to E_{rms}^2 .

10. Radiation pressure

$$\Delta p = \frac{\Delta U}{c}$$

$\downarrow$ energy transfer
momentum transfer

If an electromagnetic wave is absorbed at a surface, the surface receives a radiation pressure

$$\frac{\Delta p}{A \Delta t} = \frac{\Delta U}{A \Delta t c} = \frac{I}{c}$$

If an electromagnetic wave is reflected at a surface, the momentum transfer is twice as the absorbing case, the surface receives a radiation pressure of $\frac{2I}{c}$.

11. Polarization

Electromagnetic wave is a vector field, the direction of the $\vec{E}$ field specifies its polarization.

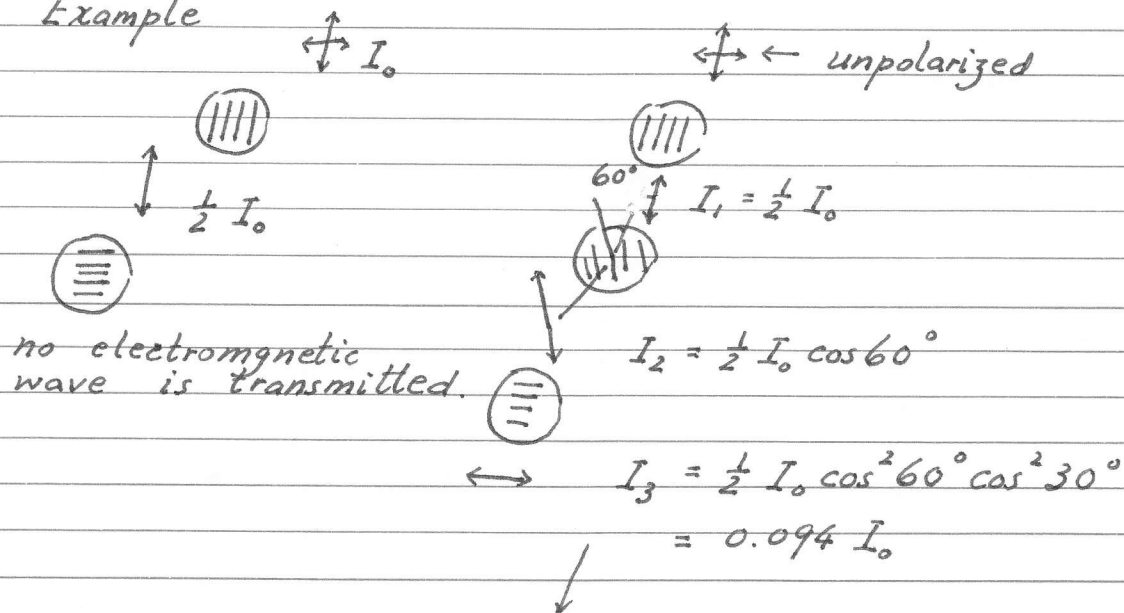
Polarizing sheet, only allow electromagnetic wave with.

certain polarization component through.

$$I = I_0 \cos^2 \theta \quad (\text{Malus's law})$$

Unpolarized wave, after going through polarizing sheets of any orientation, the intensity will be $\frac{1}{2}$ of its original value.

Example



there is electromagnetic wave transmitted in this case.

- We are discussed linearly polarized electromagnetic wave here
- $\Rightarrow$ Sometimes circularly polarized electromagnetic wave is used

Circularly polarized electromagnetic waves are linear combination of the linearly polarized electromagnetic wave.

- Key concept here is principle of superposition.
- $\Rightarrow$ help in the understanding of wave mechanics (quantum mechanics)

- Geometrical optics will be combined into materials to be discussed in next chapter.