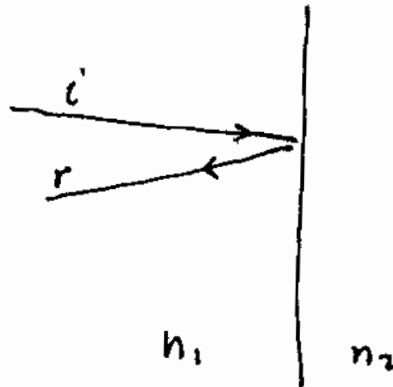


Physics 102  
Lecture 33

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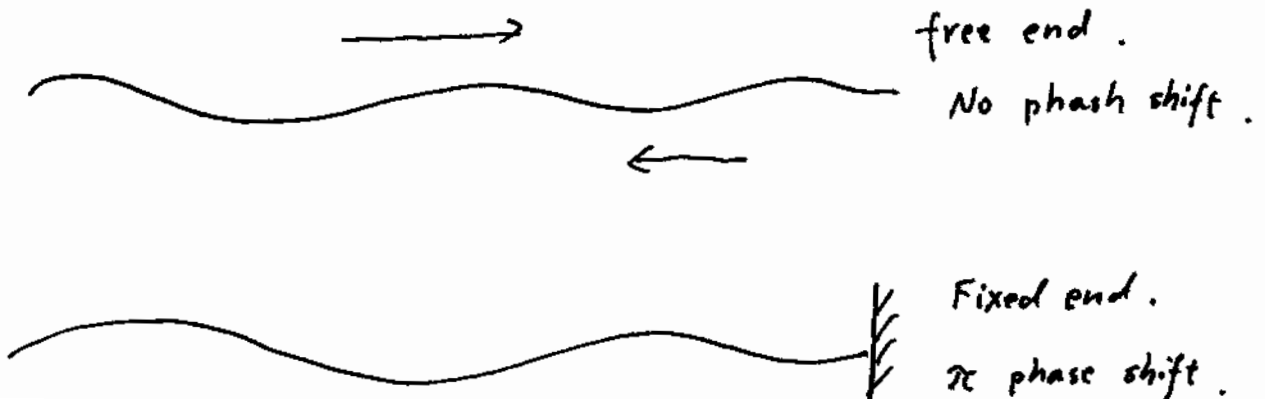
- Interference in Reflected Waves (28-3).
- phase changes due to reflection

Fact:



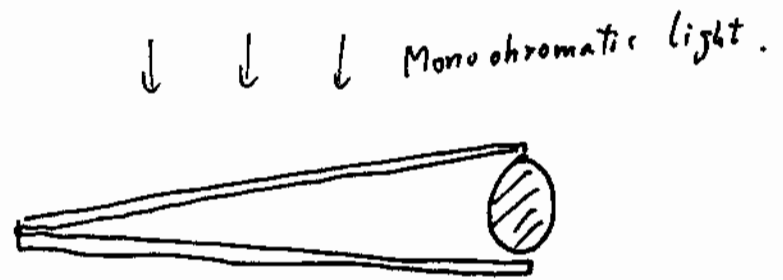
- (1) No phase change between  $r$  and  $i$  if  $n_1 > n_2$ .
- (2)  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  phase change if  $n_1 < n_2$ . e.g. air to water. ( $\pi$ ).

- Analogy in Mechanical wave

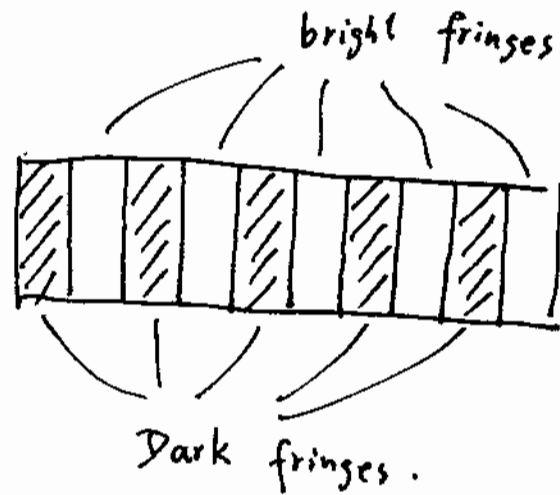


• Air Wedge .

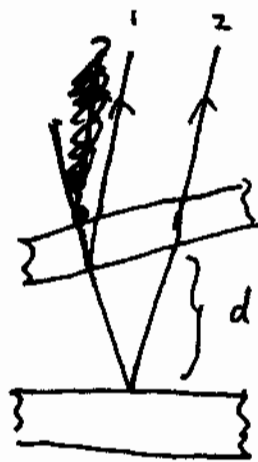
Fact :



Top View



Explanation



Path difference :

$$\Delta l = l_2 - l_1 = 2d \quad (d - \text{thickness})$$

Effective path difference :

$$\Delta l_{\text{eff}} = 2d + \frac{1}{2}\lambda$$

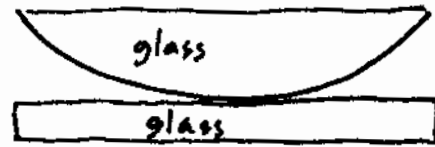
Bright fringes :  $2d + \frac{1}{2}\lambda = m\lambda$  (constructive)  $m = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Dark fringes :  $2d + \frac{1}{2}\lambda = (m + \frac{1}{2})\lambda$  (destructive)

$$m = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

- Newton's Rings

A good way to test  
the shape of a lens.



Top View .



- Thin Films .

Fact : Soap bubbles look colourful .

Due to interference between reflected lights .

When the thickness varies , different areas

~~are different~~ produce constructive interference

for different wavelengths .

Demo .

why ?

• What does  $n$  do?

↑ index of refraction — represents the interaction between light and medium.

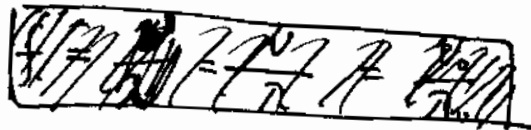
① . speed of light is reduced .

$$v = \frac{c}{n} .$$

② . Wavelength of light is reduced .

$$\lambda_n = \frac{\lambda_0}{n} .$$

Note: frequency does not change :  $f_n = f_0$  .



$$f = \frac{v}{\lambda} = \frac{c}{\lambda_0} = f_0$$

Remember:  $\lambda_n < \lambda_0$

The wavelength in a medium is shorter than the wavelength in vacuum .

e.g. Conceptual checkpoint 28-1.

A two-slit interference experiment is performed in the air.  
Later, the same apparatus is immersed in water and the experiment is repeated.

Q: The fringes are:

- (a) more closely spaced?
- (b) more widely spaced?
- (c) spaced the same as in air?

correct: (a).

$$\therefore d \cdot \sin \theta = m \lambda.$$

$$\text{fringe spacing: } \frac{y_m}{m} \approx L \frac{\lambda}{d} \\ \propto \lambda.$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} y_m = L \cdot \tan \theta_m \\ \approx L \sin \theta_m \\ = L \frac{m \lambda}{d} \end{array} \right)$$

~~The smaller~~

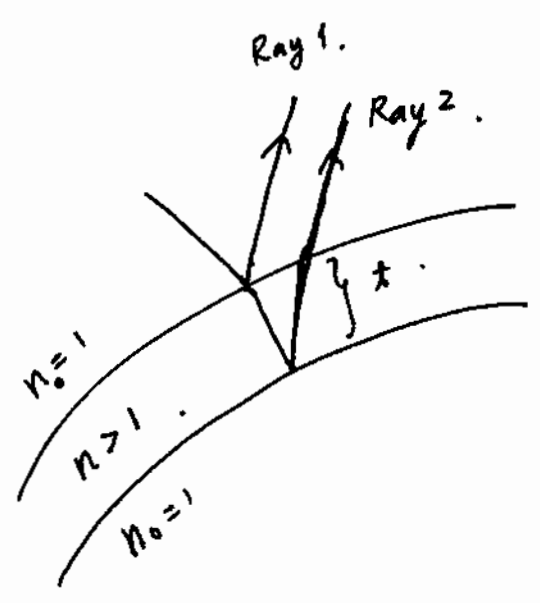
In water,  $\lambda$  is shorter,

Therefore, fringe spacing is smaller.

e.g. Soap bubbles.

Ray 1:  $l_{\text{eff}}^1 = \frac{1}{2} \lambda_0$

Ray 2:  $l_{\text{eff}}^2 = 2t$



Problem: Wavelength inside the film is different from the wavelength outside. i.e.  $\lambda_0 \neq \lambda_n$ .

(can not use  $\Delta l_{\text{eff}} = m\lambda$ )

We can look at the phase shift

$$E = E_0 \cdot \cos(kx - \omega t + \varphi) \quad \left( k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \right)$$

Phase shift of Ray 1:  $\pi$ .

Phase shift of Ray 2:  $k \cdot 2t = \frac{2\pi \cdot 2t}{\lambda_n}$

phase shift between Ray 1 and Ray 2:

$$\frac{2\pi \cdot 2t}{\lambda_n} - \pi = \frac{4\pi t}{\lambda_n} - \pi = \left( \frac{4t}{\lambda_n} - 1 \right) \pi$$

Constructive interference:

$$\left( \frac{4t}{\lambda_n} - 1 \right) \pi = 2m\pi \quad (m=0, 1, 2, \dots)$$

i.e.  $\frac{2t}{\lambda_n} - \frac{1}{2} = m$ , OR:  $\frac{2nt}{\lambda_0} - \frac{1}{2} = m, m=0, 1, 2, \dots$

• Destructive interference.

$$\left(\frac{4t}{\lambda_n} - 1\right)\pi = (2m-1)\pi \quad m = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

$$\frac{2t}{\lambda_n} = m, \quad \text{OR.} \quad \frac{2nt}{\lambda_0} = m, \quad m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Final exam will cover: Everything.  
Throughout the semester.

~~Ch. 22, 23~~

Ch. 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 28 ALL.

plus. Ch. 24, 27. — parts covered by lectures.

Assignments: ALL.

No sample final.

Real Final exam: ~ 12 Questions.  $\left( \begin{array}{l} 3 \text{ times as long as} \\ \text{a midterm} \end{array} \right)$