

Lecture 25

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Optical Instruments

- range of human eye can be extended by eyeglasses, microscopes, & telescopes.
- optical instruments consist of a sequence of lenses

Magnifying lens / glasses

- human eye can focus a sharp image on retina if object is located anywhere between ∞ & near point P_n
- If object moves closer to eye than near point,

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then perceived image on retina
becomes fuzzy

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Angular magnification

$$m_{\theta} = \frac{\theta'}{\theta}$$

← new angle when object closer
← angle @ near point

Approximate $\tan \theta \approx \theta$

$$\downarrow$$
$$\tan \theta' \approx \theta' \quad \text{for small angles}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta \approx \frac{h}{25\text{cm}} \quad \leftarrow \text{near point of eye (depends on person)}$$

$$\theta' \approx h/f$$

$$\Rightarrow m_{\theta} \approx \frac{25\text{cm}}{f}$$

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Compound

Microscope consists of

two lenses called objective

+ eye piece

- objective produces a real image I
inside focal point of eye piece

- eye piece forms a virtual

final image seen by observer,
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refracting telescope

also has objective + eye piece
but w/ different dimensions

main difference w/ microscope is

that 1st focal point of eye piece be

same as 2nd focal point of objective

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Interference

35-1 Light as a Wave

Previously, we were studying geometrical optics. Now we move on to study light as a wave.

- Huygen's principle allows us to figure out where a wave front will be in the future if we know its present position

pronounced "Hoy-gens"

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Huygens's principle:

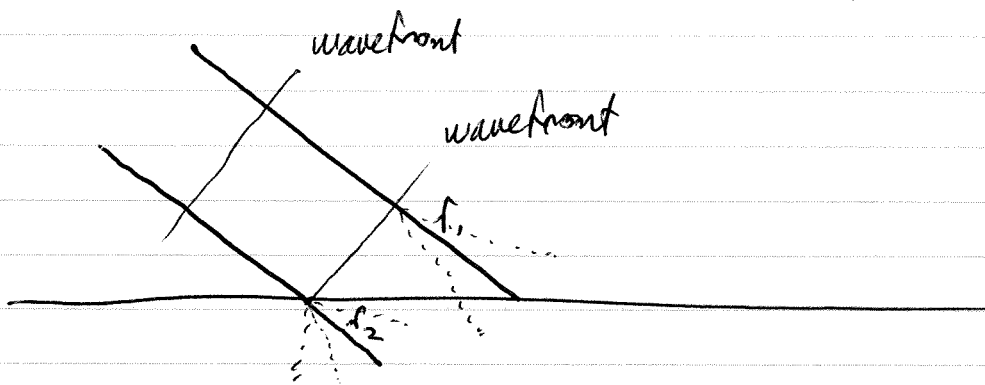
- 1) All points on a wavefront serve as point sources of spherical secondary wavelets.
- 2) After time t , new position of wavefront will be that of a surface tangent to these secondary wavelets

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we can derive law of refraction using this theory (Huygens' principle)

- As plane wave is incident on glass, part of it slows down b/c speed of light is slower in glass.
- It thus travels less distance in same amount of time

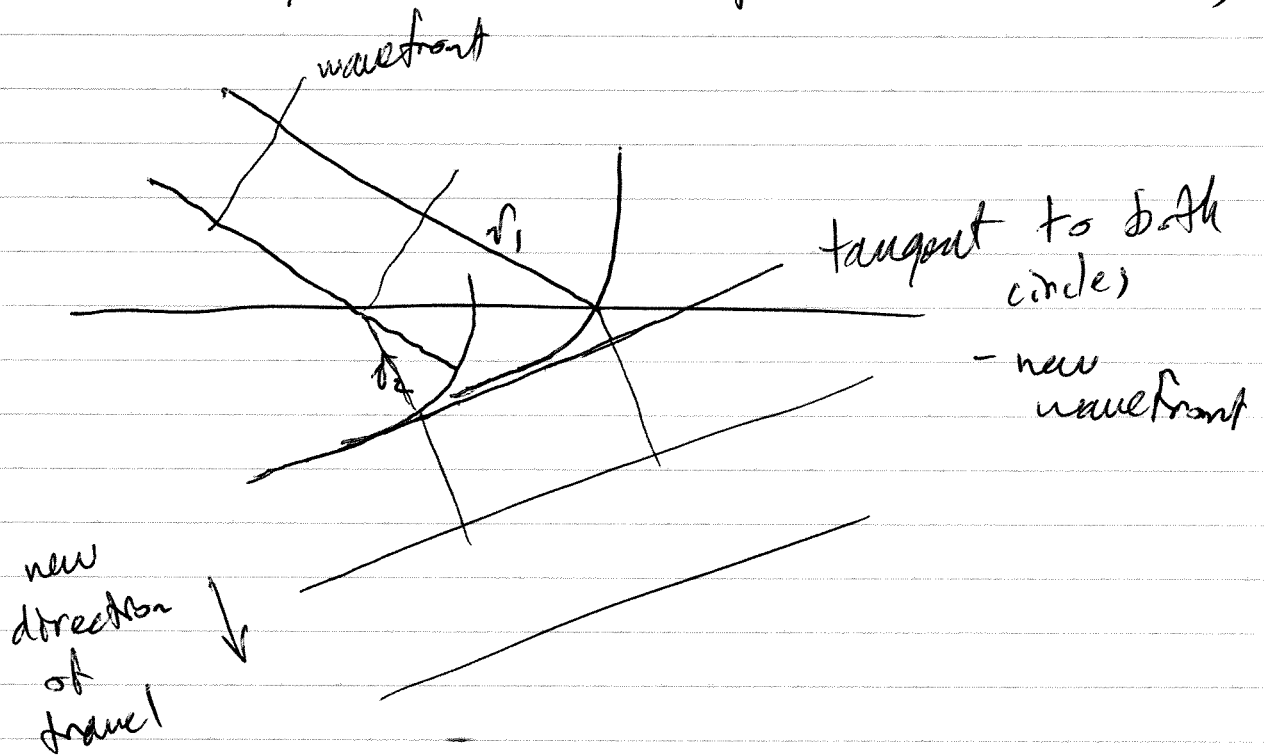


distance traveled on top is r_1 & on bottom is r_2 . Times passed are equal \Rightarrow

$$\frac{r_1}{v_1} = \frac{r_2}{v_2} \Rightarrow \frac{r_1}{r_2} = \frac{v_1}{v_2}$$

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Now apply Huygens' principle to
And new wave front (it is
tangent to spherical wavelets)



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Analyzing geometry for triangles hcg :

$$\sin \theta_1 = \frac{r_1}{hc}$$

for triangle hcg :

$$\sin \theta_2 = \frac{r_2}{hc}$$

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$$\Rightarrow \frac{n_1}{\sin \theta_1} = \frac{n_2}{\sin \theta_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n_1}{n_2} = \frac{\sin \theta_1}{\sin \theta_2}$$

use $\frac{n_1}{n_2} = \frac{v_2}{v_1}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{v_2}{v_1} = \frac{\sin \theta_1}{\sin \theta_2}$$

use index of refraction $n = \frac{c}{v}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n_2}{n_1} = \frac{\sin \theta_1}{\sin \theta_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow n_2 \sin \theta_2 = n_1 \sin \theta_1$$

Snell's law of refraction