# Course Updates

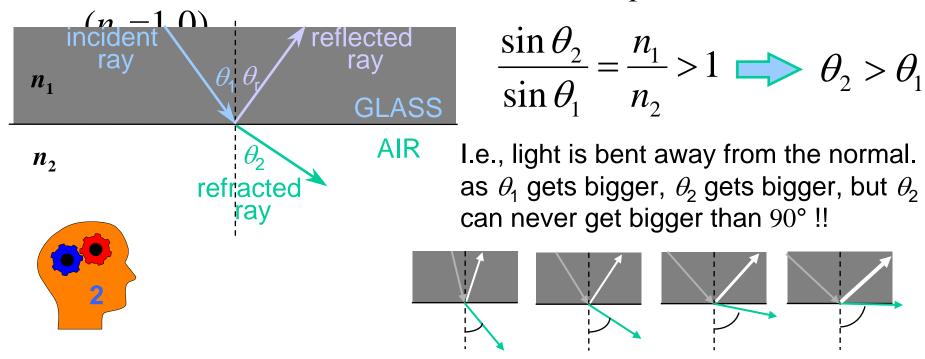
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#### Reminders:

- 1) Assignment #12  $\rightarrow$  due today
- 2) Polarization, dispersion
- 3) Last HW (#13 posted) → due Monday, May 3rd

## Total Internal Reflection

– Consider light moving from glass ( $n_1$ =1.5) to air



In general, if  $\sin \theta_1 > (n_2/n_1)$ , we have NO refracted ray; we have TOTAL INTERNAL REFLECTION.

For example, light in water which is incident on an air surface with angle  $\theta_1 > \theta_c = \sin^{-1}(1.0/1.33) = 48.8^{\circ}$  will be totally reflected. This property is the basis for the optical fiber communication.

## "Mini-Antarctica" at Stanford Linear Accelerator



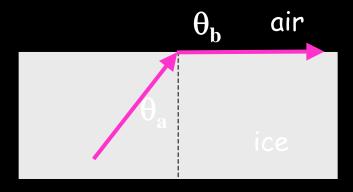








## Problem!





There is no escape!!!

Not always a bad thing

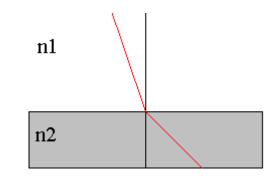
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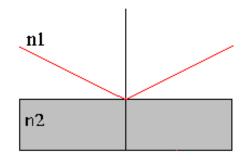


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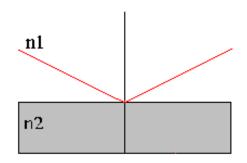
Snell's Law:  $n_1 \sin \theta_1 = n_2 \sin \theta_2$ Here,  $\theta_2 > \theta_1$  implies  $n_2 < n_1$ 



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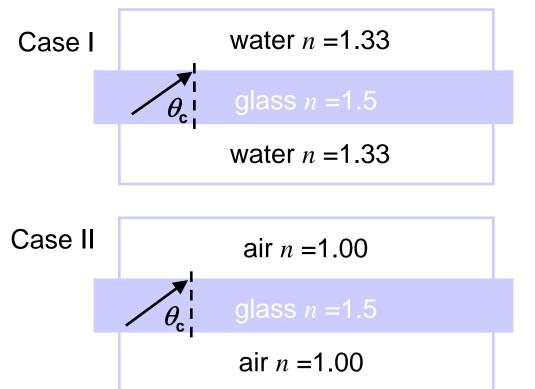
Critical angle occurs when  $\theta_2 = 90^\circ$ Therefore,  $\sin \theta_{\rm critical} = n_2/n_1$ 

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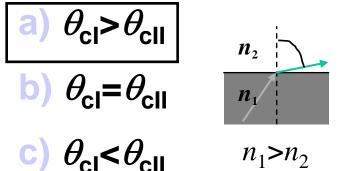




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Case I water n = 1.33  $\theta_{c} | glass n = 1.5$  water n = 1.33Case II air n = 1.00  $\theta_{c} | glass n = 1.5$  air n = 1.00

Since  $n_1 > n_2$  TIR will occur for  $\theta >$  critical angle. Snell's law says  $\sin \theta_c = n_2/n_1$ .

If  $n_2=1.0$ , then  $\theta_c$  is as small as it can be.

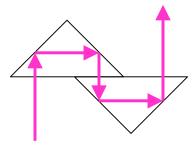
So 
$$\theta_{\rm cl} > \theta_{\rm cll}$$
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## Total Internal Reflection

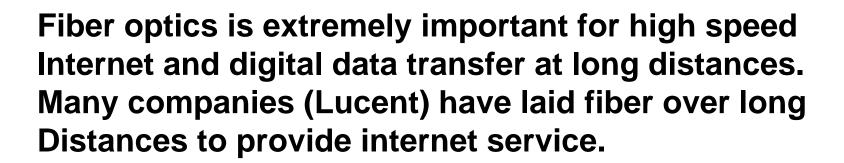
Total internal reflection occurs when  $\theta > \theta_c$  and provides 100% reflection. This has better efficiency than silvered mirror.

**Examples of devices using Critical Angle** 

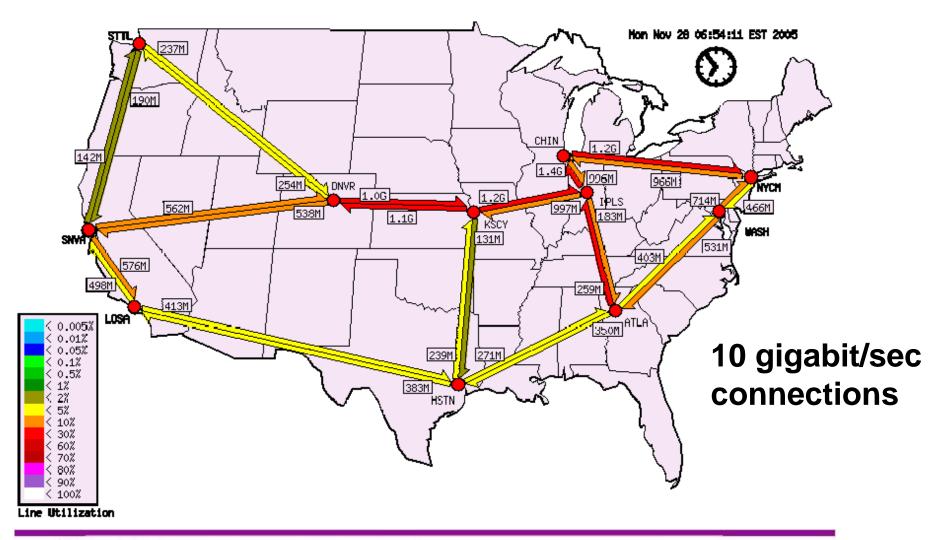
Prism Binoculars



Fiber Optics



## I2 (academic) network of fiber connections









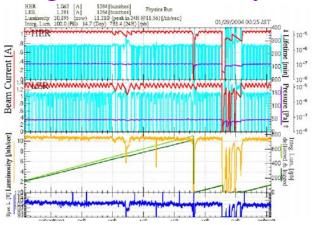


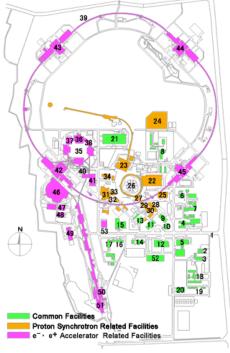




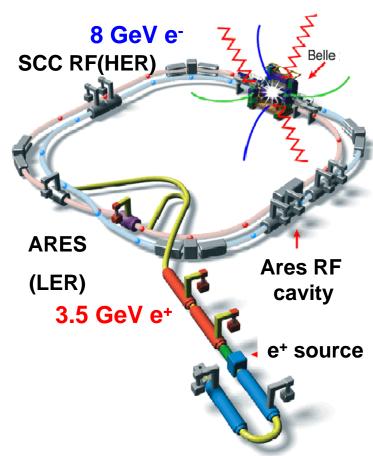


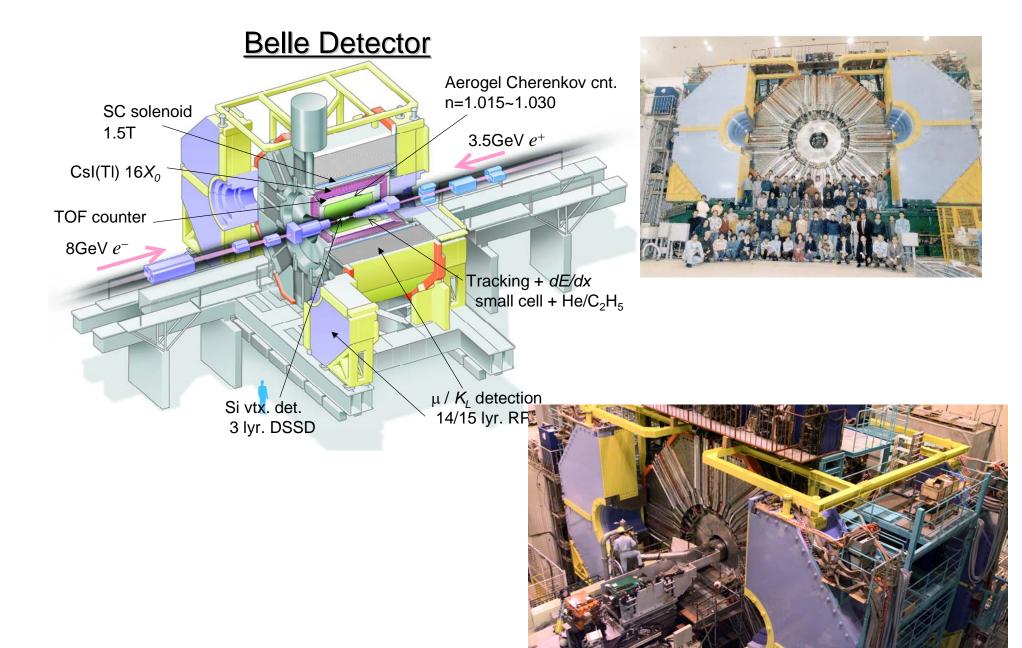
## World's highest Luminosity collider





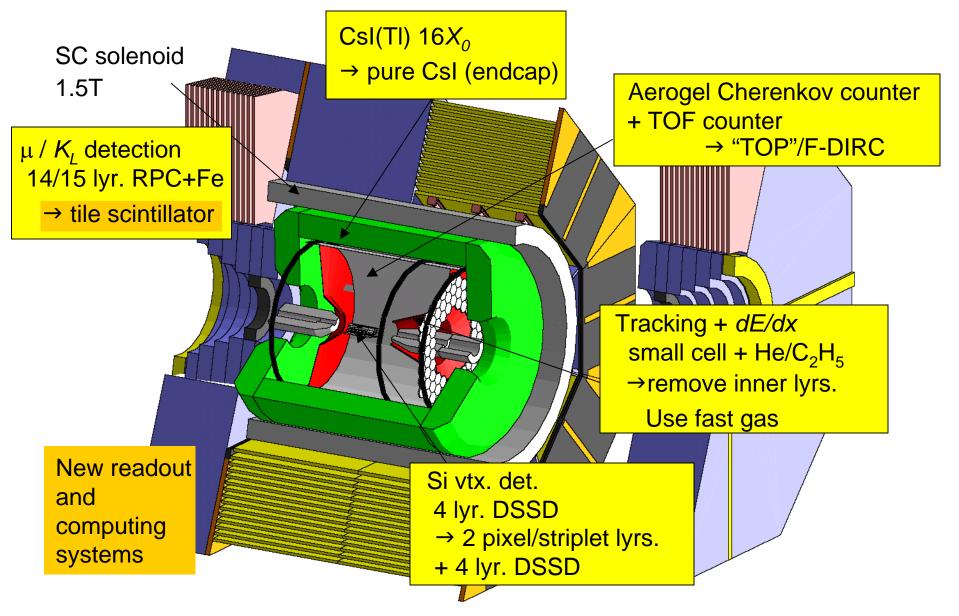






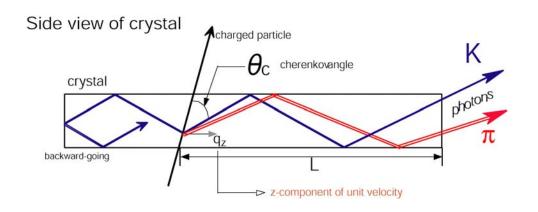


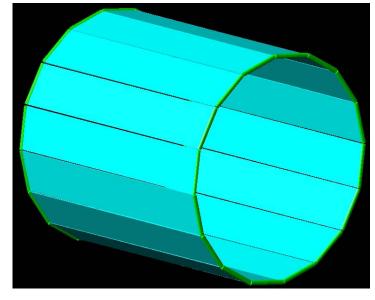
# Belle Upgrade (Run stops June 2010)

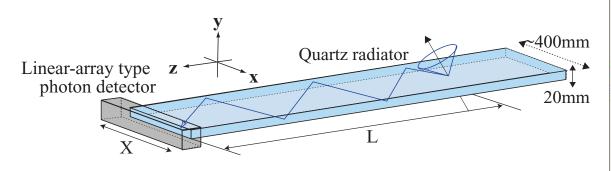


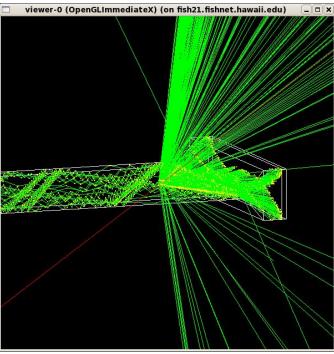
# imaging TOP (iTOP)

## Total internally reflected Photons used for "Particle ID"



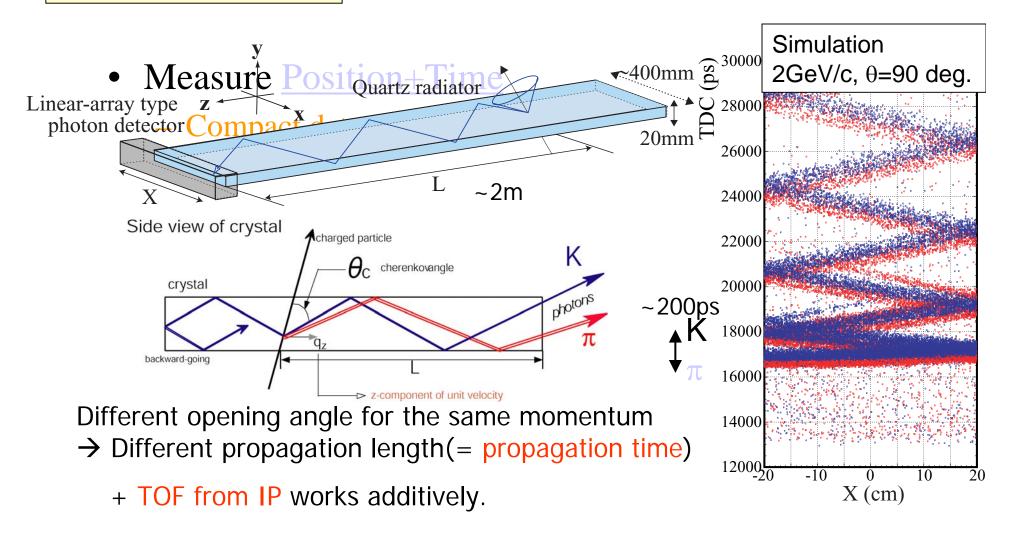






# TOP counter principle

Linear array PMT ( $\sim$ 5mm) Time resolution  $\sigma \sim$ 40ps



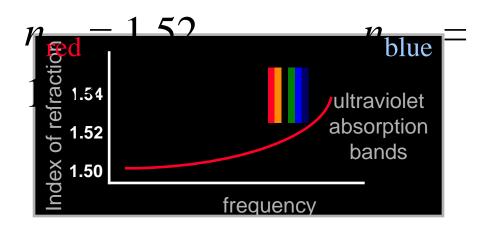


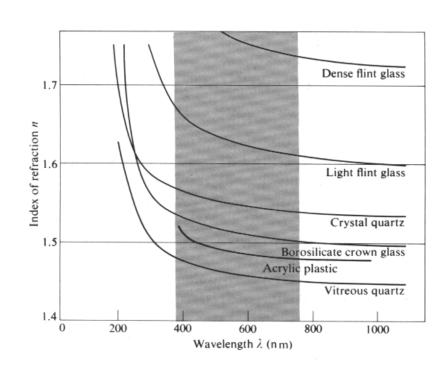
# Dispersion: $n = n(\omega)$

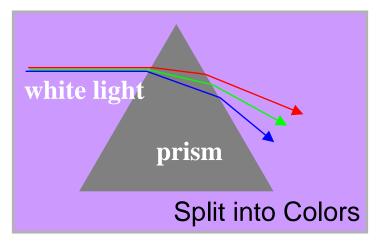
The index of refraction depends on frequency, due to the presence of resonant transition lines.

For example, ultraviolet absorption bands in glass cause a rising index of refraction in the visible, i.e.,

 $n(\text{higher }\omega) > n(\text{lower }\omega)$ :



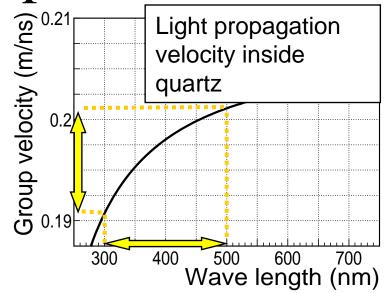


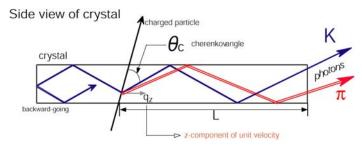


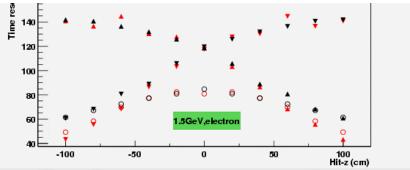
# Chromatic dispersion

Variation of propagation velocity depending on the wavelength of Cherenkov photons

- Due to wavelength spread of detected photons
- > propagation time dispersion
- Longer propagation length
- → Improves ring image difference But, decreases time resolution.





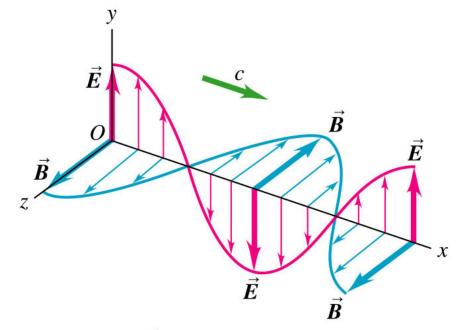


## Polarization

Consider our EM plane wave. The E field is polarized in the Y-direction. We say this is "linearly Polarized light".

$$E_{y} = E_{0} \sin(kx - \omega t)$$

$$B_{z} = \frac{E_{0}}{c} \sin(kx - \omega t)$$



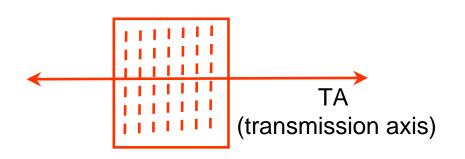
 $\vec{E}$ : y-component only  $\vec{B}$ : z-component only

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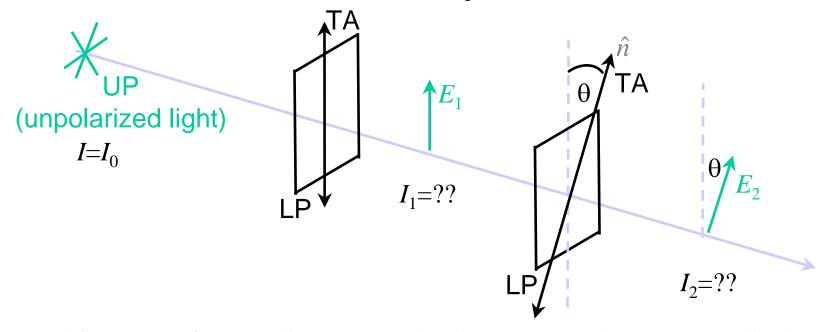
Most light sources are not polarized in a particular direction. This is called unpolarized light or radiation.

## polaroid (sunglasses)

Long molecules absorb E-field parallel to molecule.

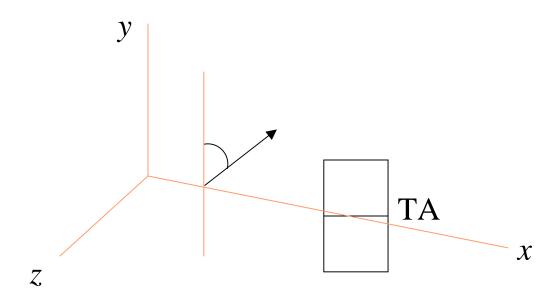


# LP Intensity Reduction



• This set of two linear polarizers produces LP light. What is the final intensity? – First LP transmits 1/2 of the unpolarized light:  $I_1 = 1/2$ 

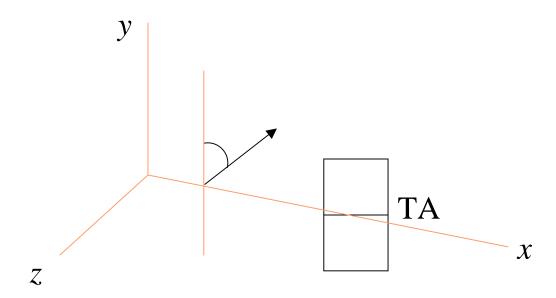
$$E_{2} \stackrel{=}{=} E_{1} \cos \theta$$
- Second LP projects out the Cosie of Component parallel to the TA:



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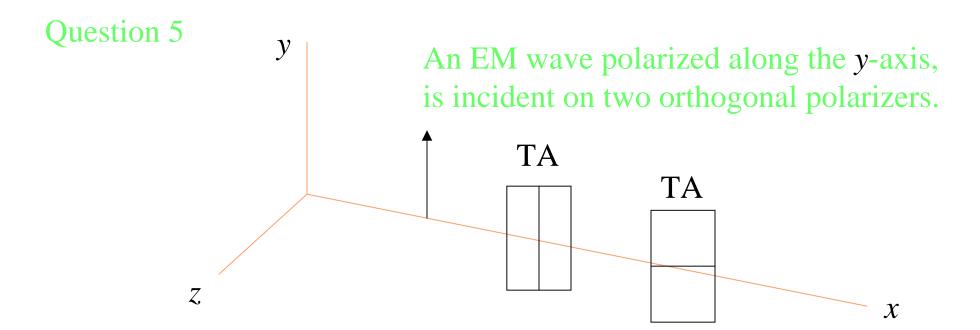
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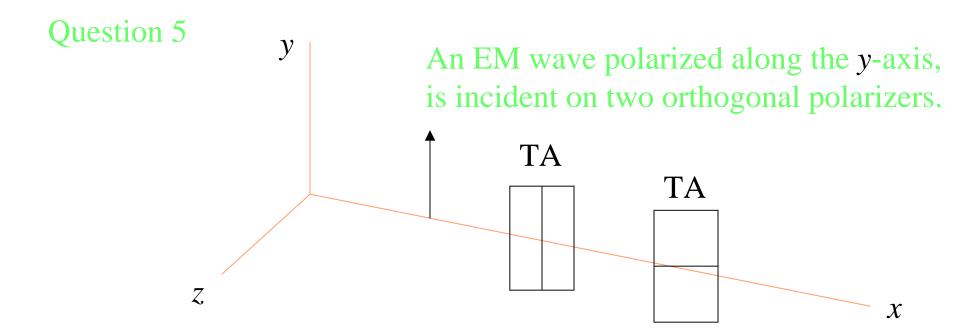
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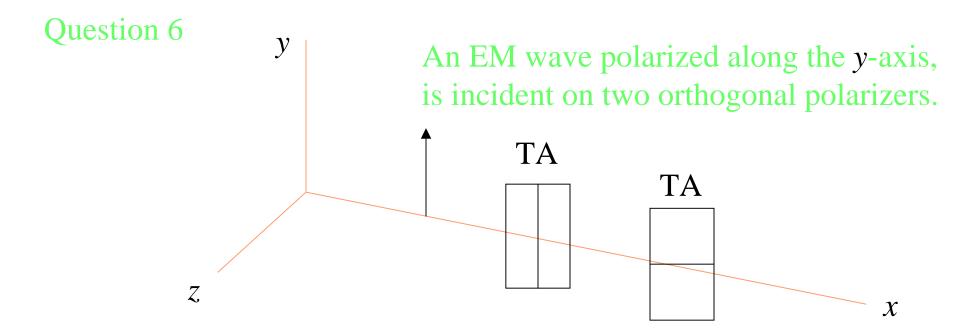
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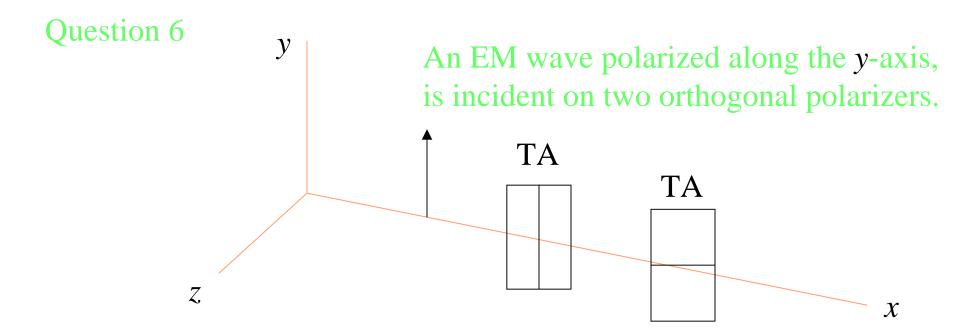
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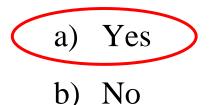
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- a) Yes
- b) No



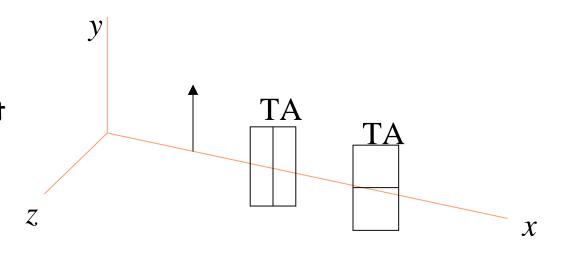


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## What you said ??

- ZERO: the component that is passed by the first is blocked by the second.
- BUT, adding an intermediate polarizer will restore some light !!!



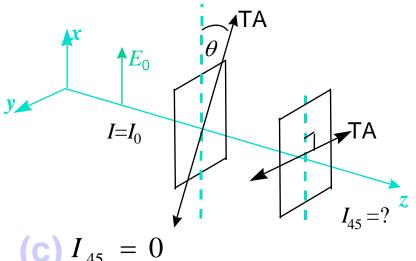
#### Right:

• Yes, a polarizer at an intermediate angle can change the direction of polarization so that some light is able to get through the last filter.

#### Wrong:

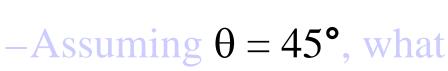
• No. One polarizer will get rid of all of the field that is perpendicular to the axis and the other will get rid of all that is parallel. No other filter will add more signal in any direction.

- Light of intensity  $I_0$ , polarized along the x direction is incident on a set of 2 linear polarizers as shown.
  - -Assuming  $\theta = 45^{\circ}$ , what is  $I_{45}$ , the intensity at the exit of the 2 (a)  $I_{45} = \frac{1}{2}I_0$ , in terms  $I_{45} = 0$





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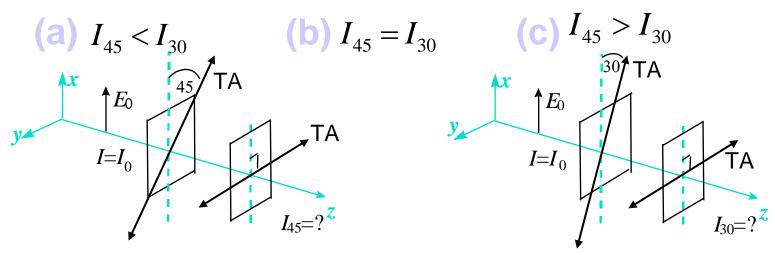
The intensity after the first polarizer is:  $I_1 = I_0 \cos^2(45 - 0) = \frac{I_0}{2}$ 

$$E_1$$
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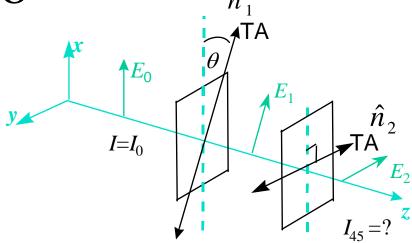
- electric field after the first polarizer is LP at  $\theta_1 = 45$
- The intensity after the second polarizer is:

$$I_{45} = I_1 \cos^2(90 - 45) = \frac{I_1}{2}$$
 
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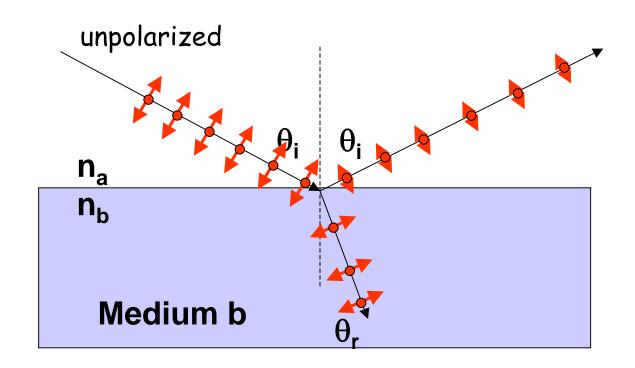
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- In general, the first polarizer reduces the intensity by  $\cos^2\theta$ , while the second polarizer reduces it by an additional factor of  $\cos^2(90 - \theta)$ .
- Thus, the final output intensity is given by:

$$I_{out} = I_0 \cos^2(\theta) \cos^2(90 - \theta) = I_0 \cos^2(\theta) \sin^2(\theta) \propto \sin^2(2\theta)$$

This has a maximum when  $\theta = 45^{\circ}$ .

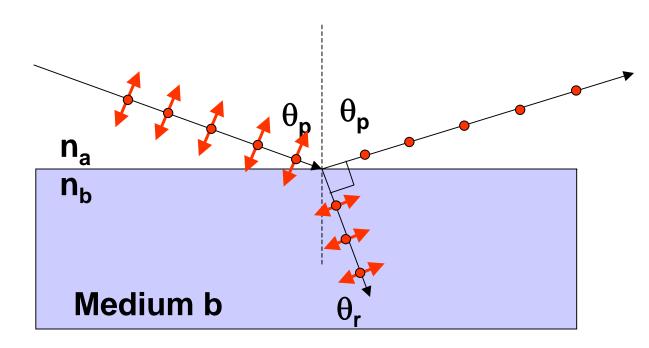
## Polarization by reflection



Can always describe E in terms of components in two arbitrary directions. The components are equal for unpolarized light.

The reflected rays are partially polarized in the horizontal plane. The transmitted rays are also partially polarized.

# Polarization by reflection

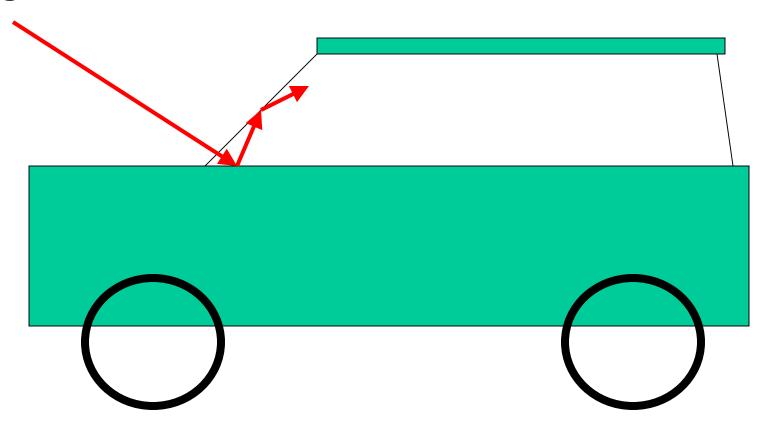


For a certain angle, the <u>Brewster angle</u>, the reflected light is completely polarized in the horizontal plane. This occurs when the angle between the refl. and refr. rays is 90°.

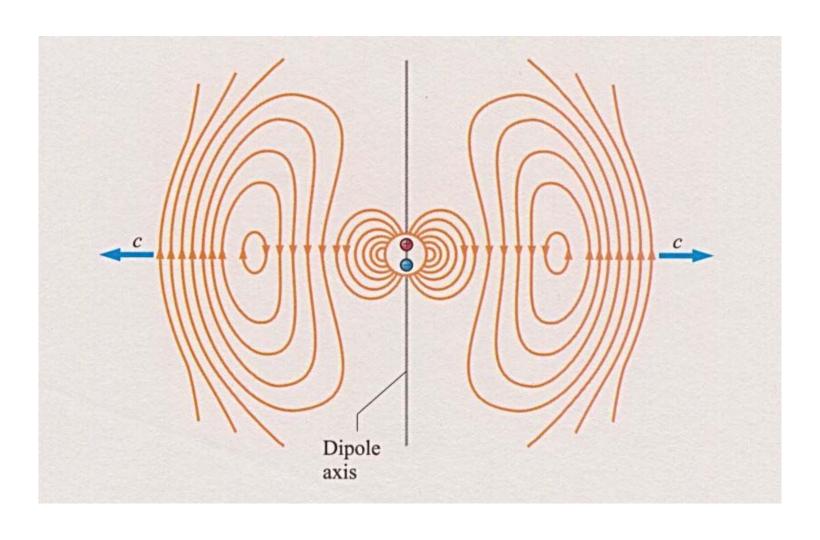
From Maxwell's eqn. it can be shown that Brewster's angle is given by

$$\tan \theta_p = \frac{n_b}{n_a}$$

Light reflected on dashboard to the windshield will be polarized in the horizontal plane. Using polaroid dark glasses with a vertical axis will remove most of reflected light

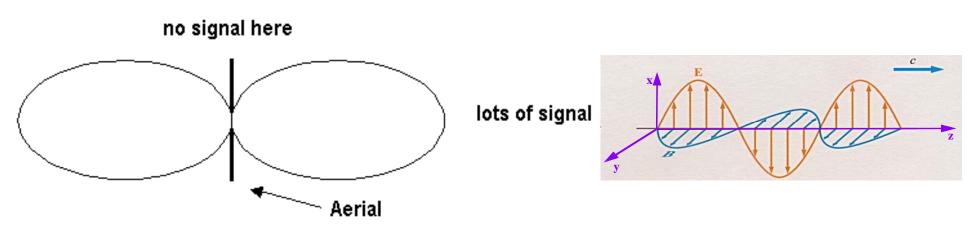


# Electric field lines from oscillating dipole computer simulation - a snapshot in time



# Dipole radiation pattern

- Oscillating electric dipole generates e-m radiation that is linearly polarized in the direction of the dipole
- Radiation pattern is doughnut shaped & outward traveling
  - -zero amplitude above and below dipole



## For next time

• Homework #12 posted → due <u>today</u>

• The home stretch: optics/optical phenomenon

• Quiz #6 on Friday (E&M waves, refraction [Snell's



