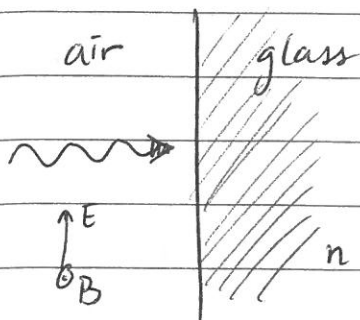


# Measuring optical conductivity.



$$B \propto \frac{nE}{c}$$

Remember  $\nabla \times \vec{E} \neq \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$  and

slower medium squashes the wave in space.

Bigger curl of  $\vec{E}$ , bigger  $B$ .

$\vec{E}$ -field is parallel to any <sup>sheet</sup> surface charge or effective surface charge.

$$\boxed{E_i + E_r = E_t} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

There is no surface current

$$B_i + B_r = B_t$$

$$\boxed{E_i - E_r = nE_t} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

↑ because propagation direction changed  
 ↓ because medium changed.

Combine (1) & (2)

$$\boxed{\frac{E_r}{E_i} = \frac{1-n}{1+n}}$$

&

$$\boxed{\frac{E_t}{E_i} = \frac{2}{1+n}}$$

Also called "local field factor" ?

Note that  $\left| \frac{E_r}{E_i} \right|^2 + \left| \frac{E_t}{E_i} \right|^2 \neq 1$ , need to consider energy flow.

Energy carried by wave is  $\propto E \times B$

$$= E \times \frac{nE}{c} = n \frac{E^2}{c}$$

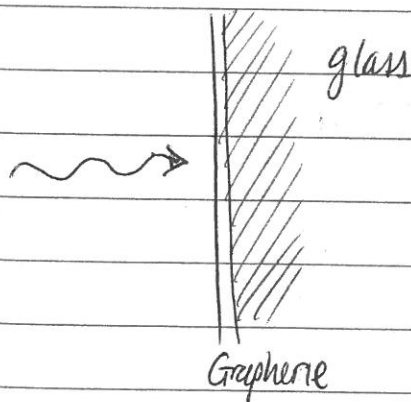
↑ depends on the medium.

So we expect

$$E_i^2 = E_r^2 + nE_t^2 = \frac{(1-n)^2}{(1+n)^2} E_i^2 + \frac{n^2}{(1+n)^2} E_i^2$$

$$= \frac{1 - 2n + n^2 + 4n}{(1+n)^2} E_i^2$$

$$= E_i^2 \quad \checkmark$$



$$B_1 - B_2 = \mu_0 j_{2d} = \mu_0 \sigma_{2d} E_t$$

$$B_1 = B_i + B_r = \frac{E_i}{c} - \frac{E_r}{c}$$

$$B_2 = B_t = \frac{nE_t}{c}$$

Dimensional analysis:  
Relationship between B & E

$$[eE] = [evB] = \text{Force}$$

$$\Rightarrow [B] = \left[ \frac{E}{c} \right]$$

$$\frac{E_i}{c} - \frac{E_r}{c} - \frac{nE_t}{c} = \mu_0 \sigma_{2d} E_t \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$E_i + E_r = E_t \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Rearranging eqn. 1

$$E_i - E_r = (c\mu_0\sigma + n)E_t$$

$$= (n + \delta)E_t$$

where  $\delta$  is a small ~~correction~~ factor related to the graphene conductivity. (it turns out to be 2.3%)  $\delta = Z_0\sigma$

With graphene

$$\frac{E_r}{E_i} = \frac{1 - (n + \delta)}{1 + (n + \delta)}$$

$$\frac{E_t}{E_i} = \frac{2}{1 + (n + \delta)}$$

The reflection coefficient  $R = \left| \frac{E_r}{E_i} \right|^2$

and transmission coefficient  $T = n \left| \frac{E_t}{E_i} \right|^2$

Note that  $R + T \neq 1$  because we don't substitute  $n$  with  $n + \delta$  in the eqn for  $T$ .

To make a measurement of  $\delta$  we need to know  $R_{gr-s}$  &  $R_s$

Then  $\frac{R_{gr-s} - R_s}{R_s} = \frac{R_{gr-s} - 1}{R_s}$

$$= \frac{[(1-n) - \delta]^2}{[(1+n) + \delta]^2} \frac{(1+n)^2}{(1-n)^2} - 1$$

$$= \frac{(1-n)^2 - 2\delta(1-n)}{(1+n)^2 + 2\delta(1+n)} \frac{(1+n)^2}{(1-n)^2} - 1$$

$$= \frac{1 - \frac{2\delta}{1-n}}{1 + \frac{2\delta}{1+n}} - 1$$

$$= \cancel{1} - \frac{2\delta}{1-n} - \cancel{1} - \frac{2\delta}{1+n}$$

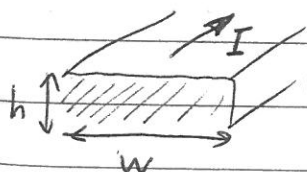
$$= \frac{-2\delta - 2n\delta - 2\delta + 2n\delta}{1-n^2}$$

$$= \frac{4\delta}{n^2-1}$$

where  $\delta = c\mu_0\sigma_{2d}$

Note  $c\mu_0 = \frac{\mu_0}{\sqrt{\epsilon_0\mu_0}} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}} = 377 \Omega = Z_0$

To find dimensions of  $\sigma_{2d}$ , note that



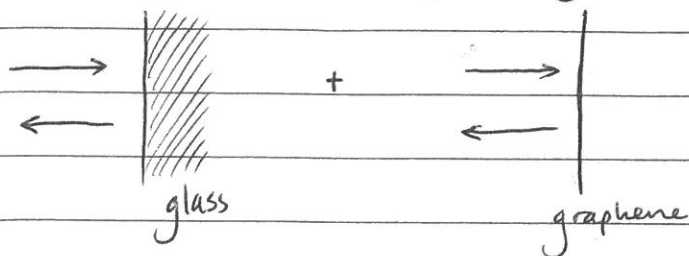
$$G = \frac{\sigma_{2d} \times (\text{height}) \times (\text{width})}{(\text{length})} = \frac{\sigma_{2d} \times (\text{width})}{(\text{length})}$$

units are  $\Omega^{-1}$

Theory value for  $\sigma_{2d}^{\text{optical}} = \frac{\pi}{4} G_0 = \frac{1}{16,500 \Omega}$

$$\Rightarrow \delta = \frac{377 \Omega}{16,500 \Omega} = 2.3\%$$

# Superposition of glass/graphene reflections



(Approximating the full solution to the boundary value problem)

$$\frac{E_r}{E_i} = \underbrace{\frac{1-n}{1+n}}_{\text{from glass}} - \underbrace{\frac{\sigma Z_0}{2+\sigma Z_0}}_{\text{from graphene (i.e. set } n_{\text{substrate}} = 1)}$$

$$\frac{E_r}{E_i} = \frac{(1-n)(2+\sigma Z_0) - \sigma Z_0(1+n)}{(1+n)(2+\sigma Z_0)}$$

$$= \frac{2 + \sigma Z_0 - 2n - n\sigma Z_0 - \sigma Z_0 - n\sigma Z_0}{2 + 2\sigma Z_0 + 2n + n\sigma Z_0}$$

$$= \frac{2 - 2n - 2n\sigma Z_0}{2 + 2n + (n+1)\sigma Z_0}$$

$$= \frac{1 - n - n\sigma Z_0}{1 + n + \frac{(n+1)\sigma Z_0}{2}} \quad \text{[Result is an Approximation]}$$

The full solution is 
$$\frac{E_r}{E_i} = \frac{1-n-\sigma Z_0}{1+n+\sigma Z_0}$$

CONCLUSION: Superposition is a reasonable approx. when  $n < 2$ .

If  $n_{\text{glass}} = 1.46$  then  $\frac{E_r}{E_i} = \frac{1 - 1.46}{1 + 1.46} \approx 0.2$

Compare strength of signal with & without the glass:

W/o Glass

$$\frac{E_r}{E_i} = \frac{-\sigma Z_0}{2 + \sigma Z_0}, \quad I_r \propto |E_r|^2 = \frac{\sigma^2 Z_0^2}{4} |E_i|^2$$

W/ Glass

$$\frac{E_r}{E_i} \approx 0.2 - \frac{\sigma Z_0}{2}, \quad I_r \propto |E_r|^2 = \left( \text{const} \cdot 0.2 \sigma Z_0 + \mathcal{O}(\sigma^2) \right) |E_i|^2$$

Ratio of the signals

$$\frac{0.2 \sigma Z_0}{\frac{\sigma^2 Z_0^2}{4}} = \frac{0.2 \times 4}{\sigma Z_0} = \frac{0.8}{0.023} = 35$$

CONCLUSION: Differential reflection from <sup>suspended</sup> graphene is extremely ~~very~~ small.

Differential reflection from graphene-on-quartz is much bigger because  $I_r \propto |E_r|^2$  and the E-fields from quartz refl and graphene reflection are superimposed.