

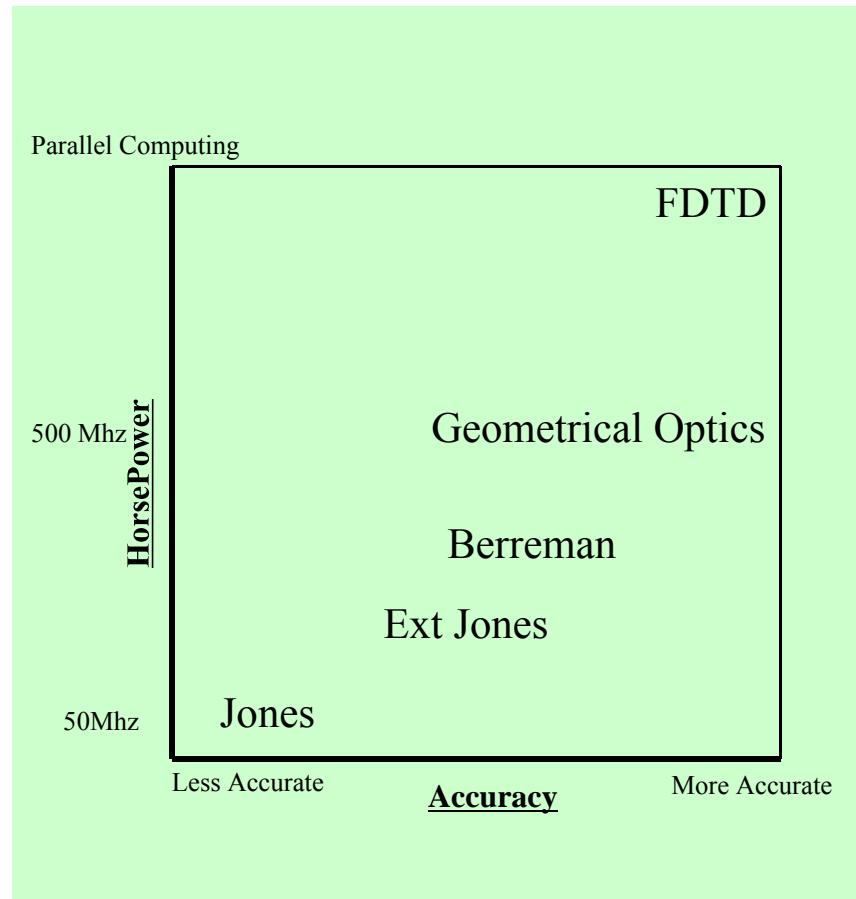
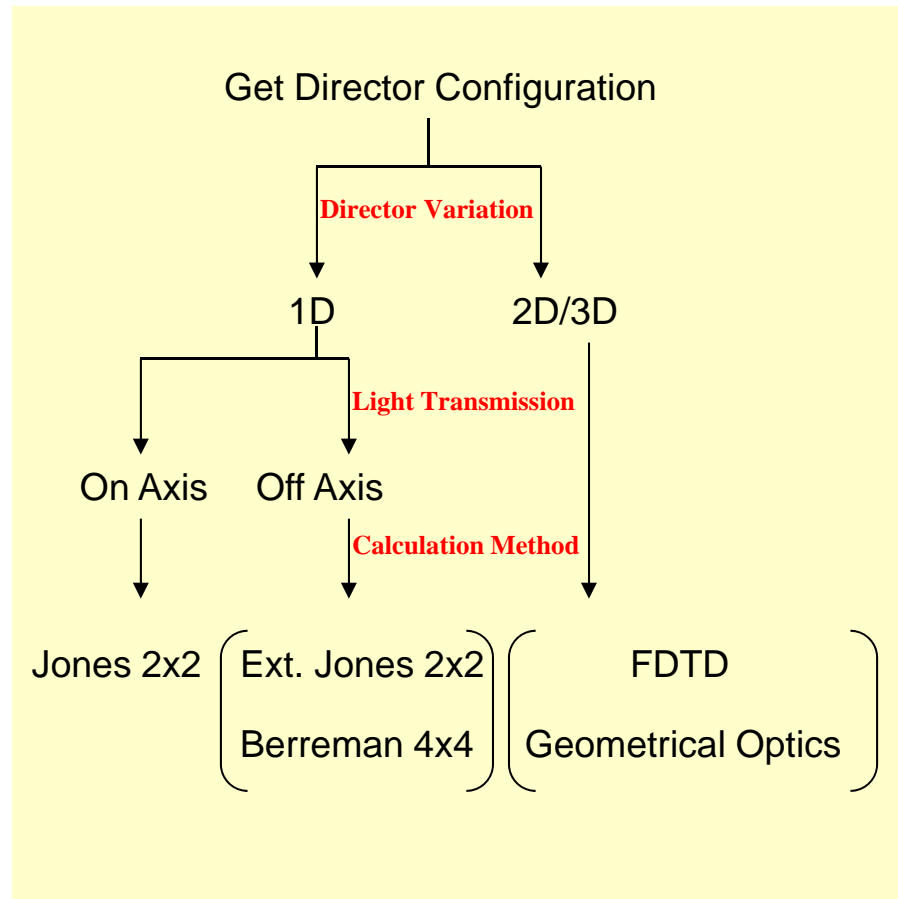
Numerical solutions for LC optics

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Outline:

- *2×2 Jones matrix method*
- 2×2 extended Jones matrix method
- 4×4 matrix method (Berreman, Wohler, Abdulhalim)
- Geometric optics (Poin'care sphere method)
- Finite Difference Time Domain method

Optical Modeling Outline



2×2 Jones matrix method

- Uses 2x2 matrices to define optical elements such as polarizers & retarders.
- A two component column vector represents the polarization state of light.
- Interaction of above two matrices gives light throughput.
- Only for on-axis light transmission.
- Ignores interference effects in system.
- Simple to use for like systems.

- Jones vector representation

$$\vec{E}(z, t) = \text{Re}(\vec{A}e^{i(\omega t - kz)}) \quad \text{Complex representation}$$

$$\vec{A} = A_x e^{i\delta_x} \vec{ax} + A_y e^{i\delta_y} \vec{ay}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E_x &= A_x \cos(\omega t - kz - \delta_x) \\ E_y &= A_y \cos(\omega t - kz - \delta_y) \end{aligned} \longrightarrow J = \begin{pmatrix} A_x e^{i\delta_x} \\ A_y e^{i\delta_y} \end{pmatrix}$$

Complex amplitude

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} A_x e^{i\delta_x} \\ A_y e^{i\delta_y} \end{pmatrix}$$

Normalization



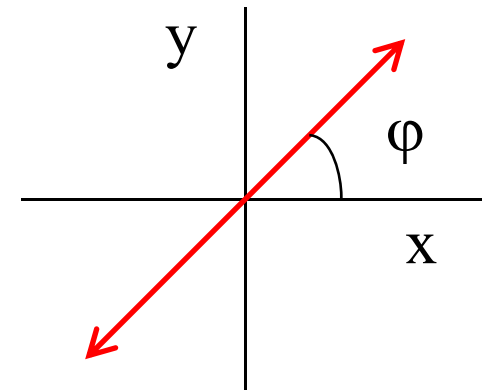
$$J^* \cdot J = 1$$

J^* : complex conjugation

$$\therefore J^* \cdot J = \begin{pmatrix} A_x e^{-i\delta_x} & A_y e^{-i\delta_y} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A_x e^{i\delta_x} \\ A_y e^{i\delta_y} \end{pmatrix} = A_x^2 + A_y^2 = 1$$

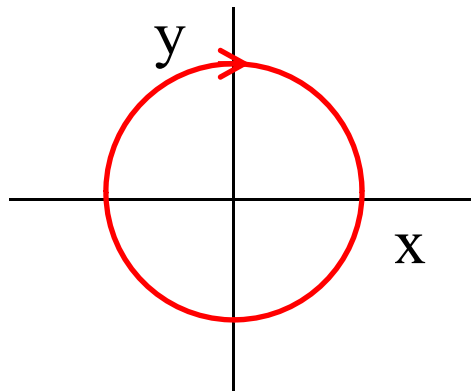
– *Linear polarization* ($\delta_x = \delta_y = 0$)

$$J / (J^* \cdot J)^{1/2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{A_x^2 + A_y^2}} \begin{pmatrix} A_x \\ A_y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi \\ \sin \varphi \end{pmatrix}$$

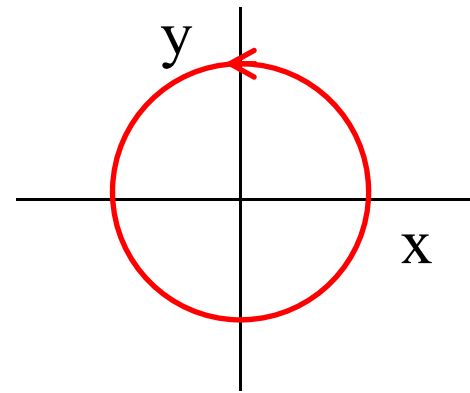


– *Circular polarization* ($A_x=A_y$, $\delta_y = \delta_x \pm \pi/2$, if $\delta = \delta_y - \delta_x$)

$$J / (J^* \cdot J)^{1/2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} e^{j0} \\ e^{i\pm\pi/2} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \pm i \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{pmatrix}$$



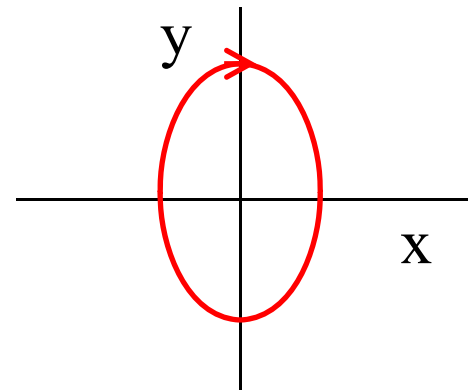
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{pmatrix}$$

– *Elliptic polarization* ($\delta = \delta_y - \delta_x$)

$$J / (J^* \cdot J)^{1/2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{A_x^2 + A_y^2}} \begin{pmatrix} A_x e^{i0} \\ A_y e^{i\delta} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi \\ e^{i\delta} \sin \varphi \end{pmatrix}$$

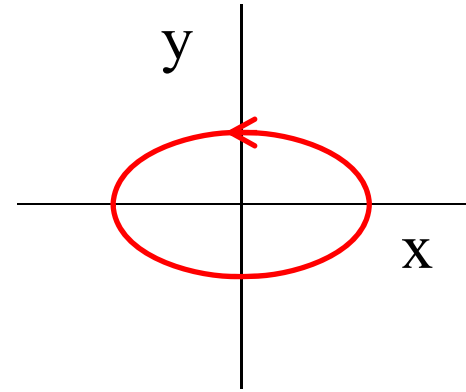
– if ($A_y = 2A_x$, $\delta = \pi/2$)

$$J / (J^* \cdot J)^{1/2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2i \end{pmatrix}$$



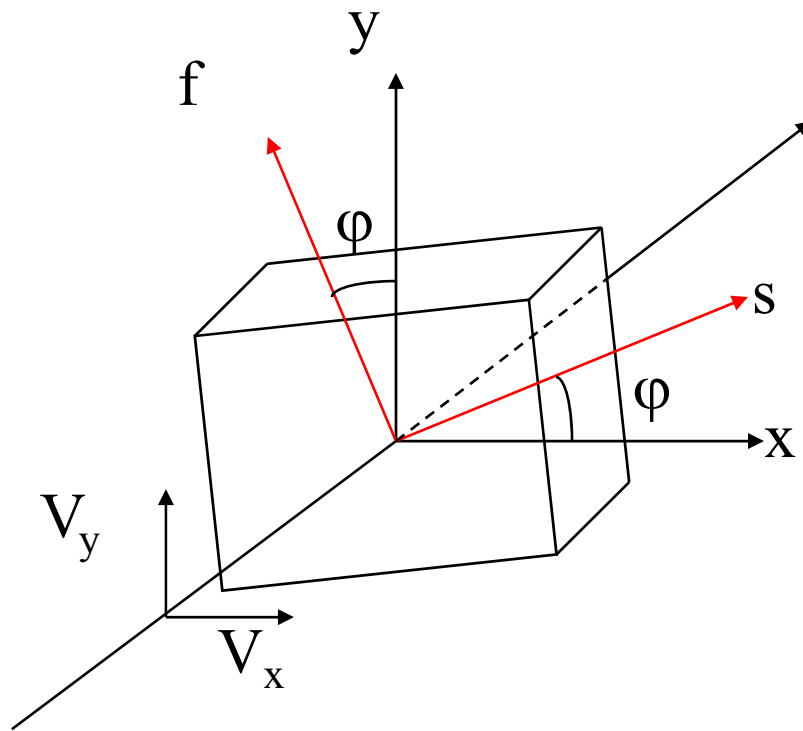
– if ($2A_y=A_x$, $\delta=-\pi/2$)

$$J / (J^* \cdot J)^{1/2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -i \end{pmatrix}$$



- Jones calculus for wave propagation in a anisotropic media
 - We are going to mention on only an uniaxial media
 - Light passing through media consists of two eigenmodes, which are ordinary and extra ordinary wave : slow and fast axis
 - We ignore all reflections

- Jones matrix formulation



Incident light beam V

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} V_x \\ V_y \end{pmatrix}$$

x, y, z : laboratory axis

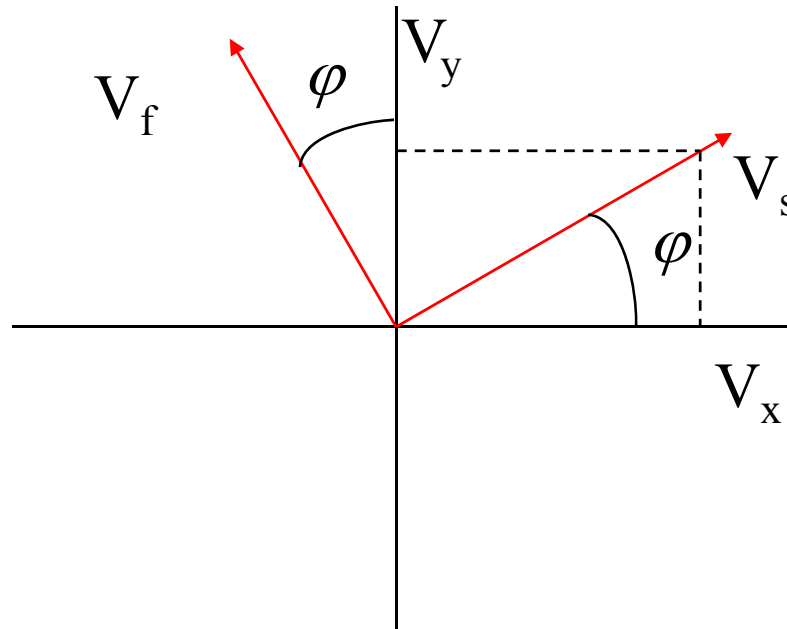
s, f : slow and fast axis

– *Eigenwaves of the crystal*

$$V_s = V_x \cos \varphi + V_y \sin \varphi$$

$$V_f = -V_x \sin \varphi + V_y \cos \varphi$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} V_s \\ V_f \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi & \sin \varphi \\ -\sin \varphi & \cos \varphi \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} V_x \\ V_y \end{pmatrix}$$



– *Emerging beam after phase delay*

$$V_s' = e^{i(k_s l)} V_s = e^{i\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} n_s l\right)} V_s$$

K_s : wave vector by n_s

$$V_f' = e^{i(k_f l)} V_f = e^{i\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} n_f l\right)} V_f$$

K_f : wave vector by n_f

We define *phase shift* Γ , mean *absolute phase change* Φ

$$\Gamma = k_s - k_f = (n_s - n_f) \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} l \rightarrow (n_e - n_o) \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} d = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \Delta n d$$

$$\Phi = (n_s + n_f) \frac{\pi}{\lambda} l$$

Then,

$$\begin{pmatrix} V_s' \\ V_f' \end{pmatrix} = e^{-i\Phi} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\Gamma/2} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\Gamma/2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} V_s \\ V_f \end{pmatrix}$$

– Transforming back to xy coordinate system

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} V_x' \\ V_y' \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi & -\sin \varphi \\ \sin \varphi & \cos \varphi \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} V_s' \\ V_f' \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi & -\sin \varphi \\ \sin \varphi & \cos \varphi \end{pmatrix} e^{-i\Phi} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\Gamma/2} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\Gamma/2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi & \sin \varphi \\ -\sin \varphi & \cos \varphi \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} V_x \\ V_y \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \boxed{R(-\varphi)W_0R(\varphi)} \begin{pmatrix} V_x \\ V_y \end{pmatrix} = W \begin{pmatrix} V_x \\ V_y \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

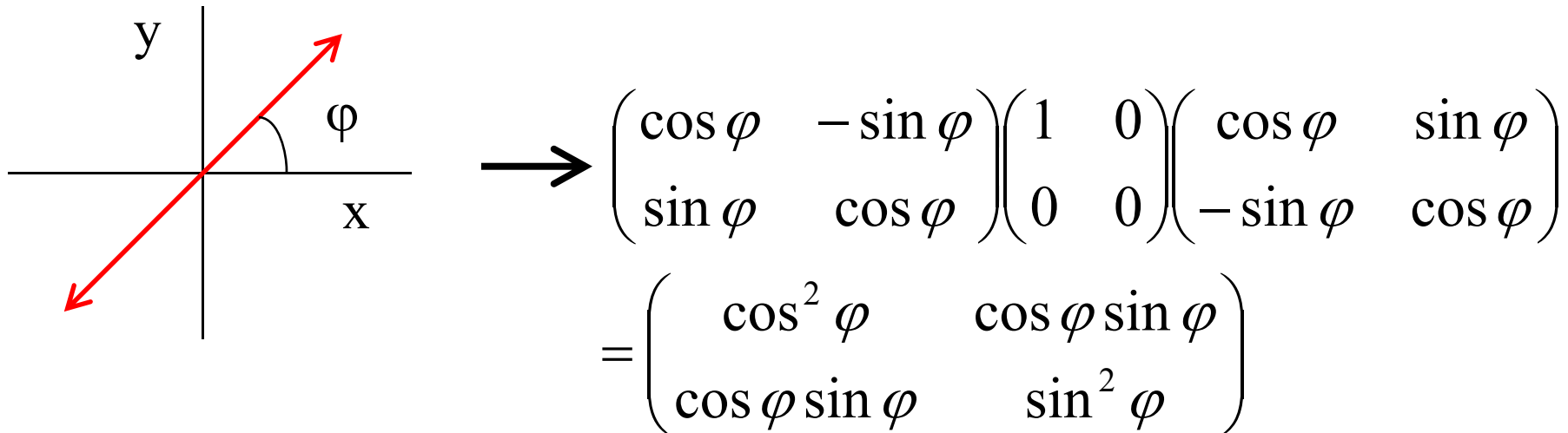
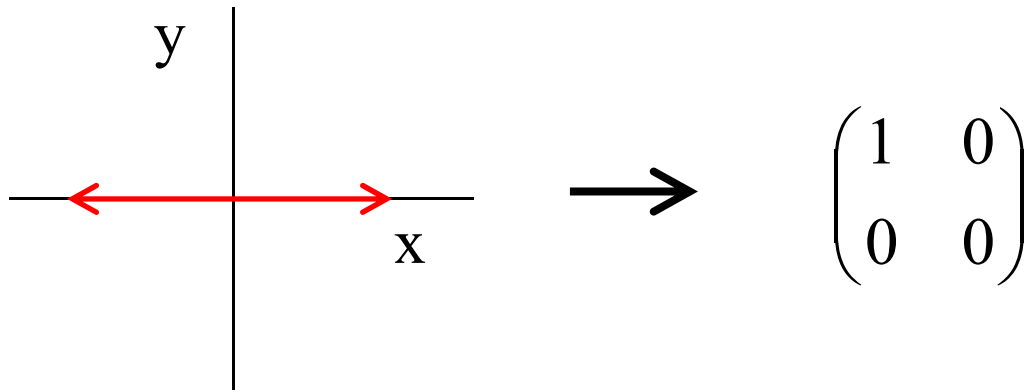
$R(\varphi)$: rotation matrix

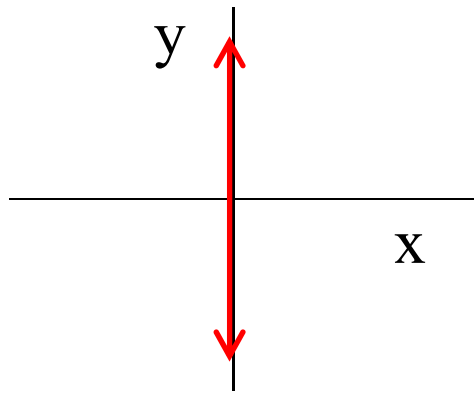
W_0 : Jones matrix for retarder

$$R(\varphi) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi & -\sin \varphi \\ \sin \varphi & \cos \varphi \end{pmatrix}$$

$$W_0 = e^{-i\Phi} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\Gamma/2} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\Gamma/2} \end{pmatrix} e^{-i\Phi} \text{ is negligible}$$

– *Polarizer* ($\Gamma=0$)





$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

– *Retarder* ($\Gamma \neq 0$)

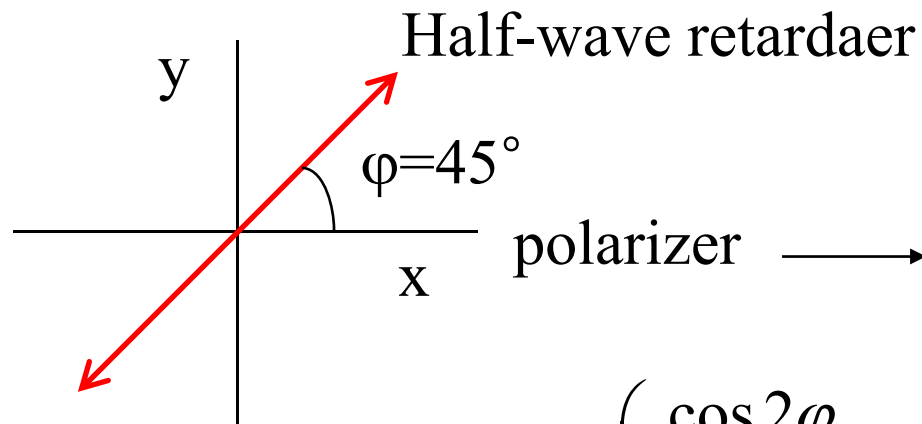
$$1. \text{ half-wave plate } (\Delta nd = \pi/2) \longrightarrow \Gamma = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \Delta nd = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \frac{\lambda}{2} = \pi$$

$$W = R(-\varphi)W_0R(\varphi)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi & -\sin \varphi \\ \sin \varphi & \cos \varphi \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\Gamma/2} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\Gamma/2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi & \sin \varphi \\ -\sin \varphi & \cos \varphi \end{pmatrix}$$

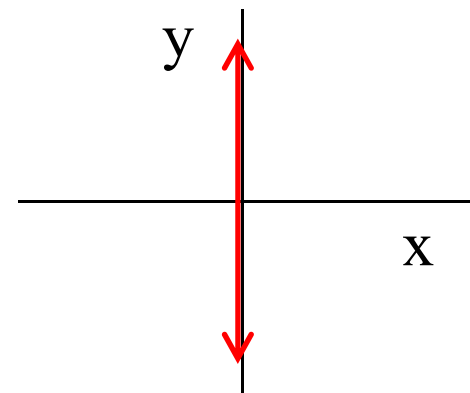
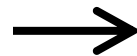
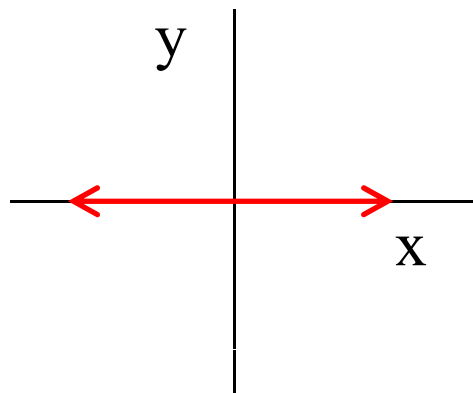
$$= -i \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2\varphi & \sin 2\varphi \\ -\sin 2\varphi & \cos 2\varphi \end{pmatrix} \quad : 2\varphi \text{ rotator}$$

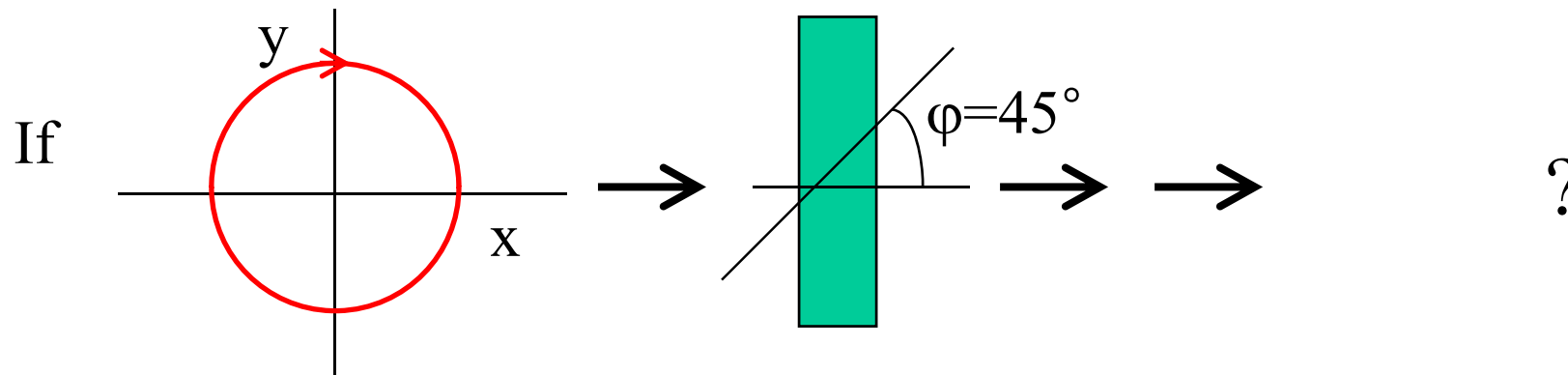
If



$$P_o = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$V' = -i \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2\varphi & \sin 2\varphi \\ -\sin 2\varphi & \cos 2\varphi \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= -i \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$





Clockwise circular
polarization

Half-wave retarder

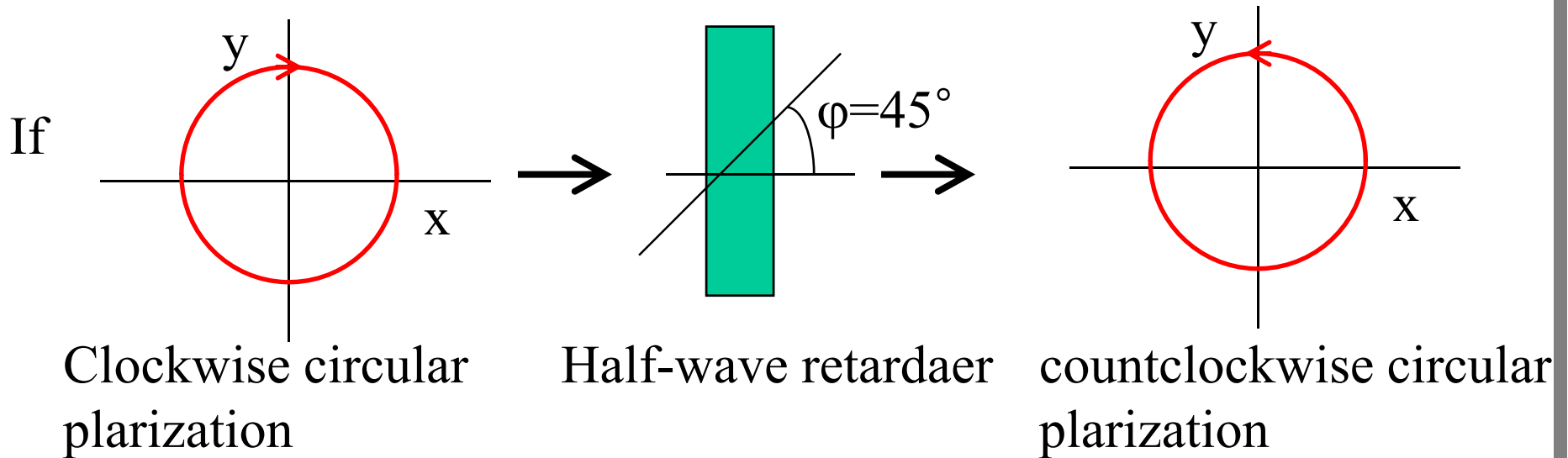
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{pmatrix} \quad -i \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2\varphi & \sin 2\varphi \\ -\sin 2\varphi & \cos 2\varphi \end{pmatrix}$$

$$V' = -i \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2\varphi & \sin 2\varphi \\ -\sin 2\varphi & \cos 2\varphi \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{pmatrix}$$

← counterclockwise circular
polarization

Therefore,



$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{pmatrix}$$

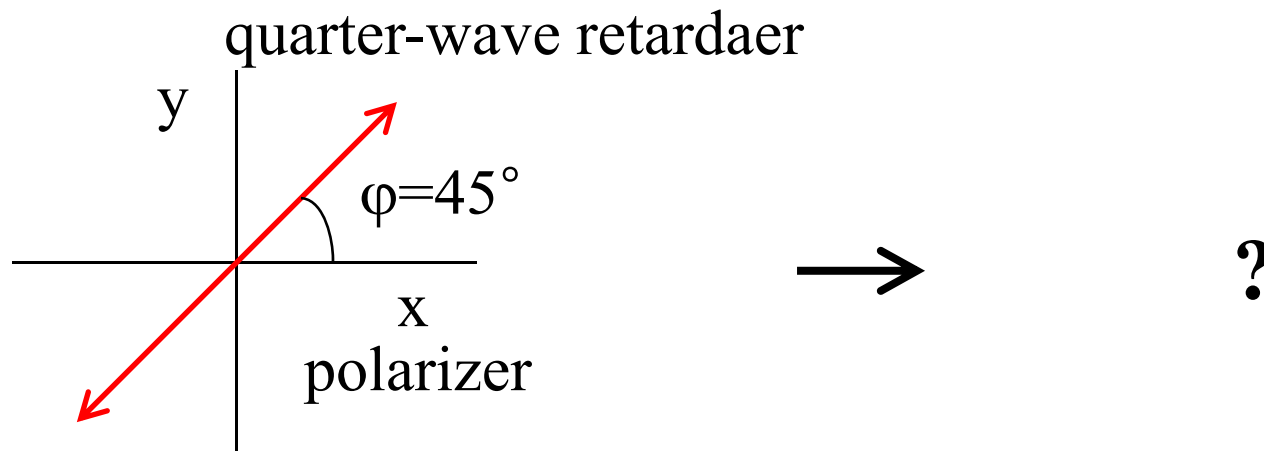
$$-i \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2\varphi & \sin 2\varphi \\ -\sin 2\varphi & \cos 2\varphi \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{pmatrix}$$

2. quarter-wave plate ($\Delta nd = \pi/4$) \longrightarrow $\Gamma = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \Delta nd = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \frac{\lambda}{4} = \frac{\pi}{2}$

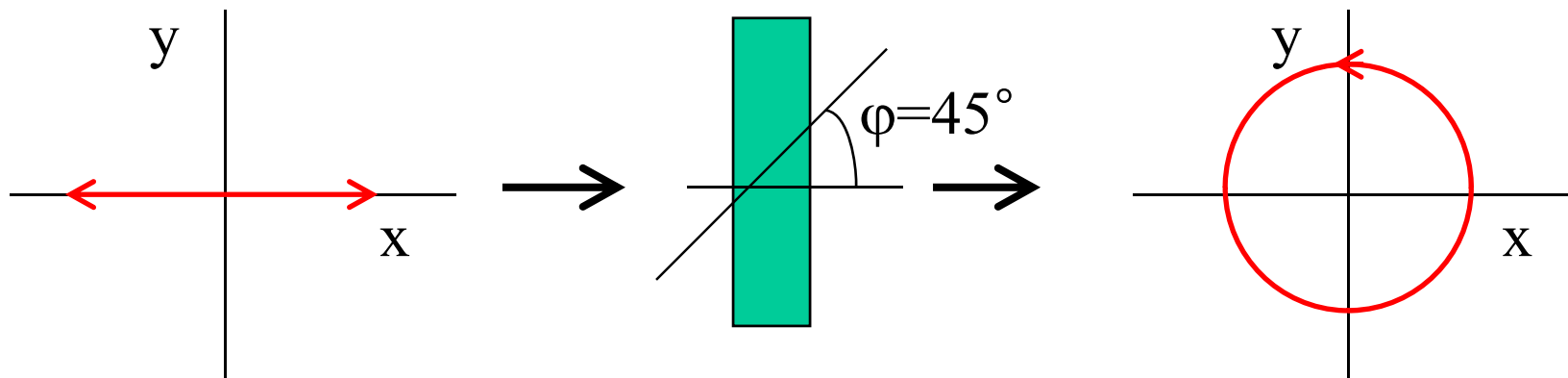
$$W = R(-\varphi)W_0R(\varphi)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 - i \cos 2\varphi & -i \sin 2\varphi \\ -i \sin 2\varphi & 1 + i \cos 2\varphi \end{pmatrix}$$



$$V' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 - i \cos \frac{\pi}{2} & -i \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \\ -i \sin \frac{\pi}{2} & 1 + i \cos \frac{\pi}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow \text{counterclockwise circular polarization}$$



– intensity transmission

$$\mathbf{E} = \begin{pmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow I = \mathbf{E}^* \cdot \mathbf{E} = |E_x|^2 + |E_y|^2$$

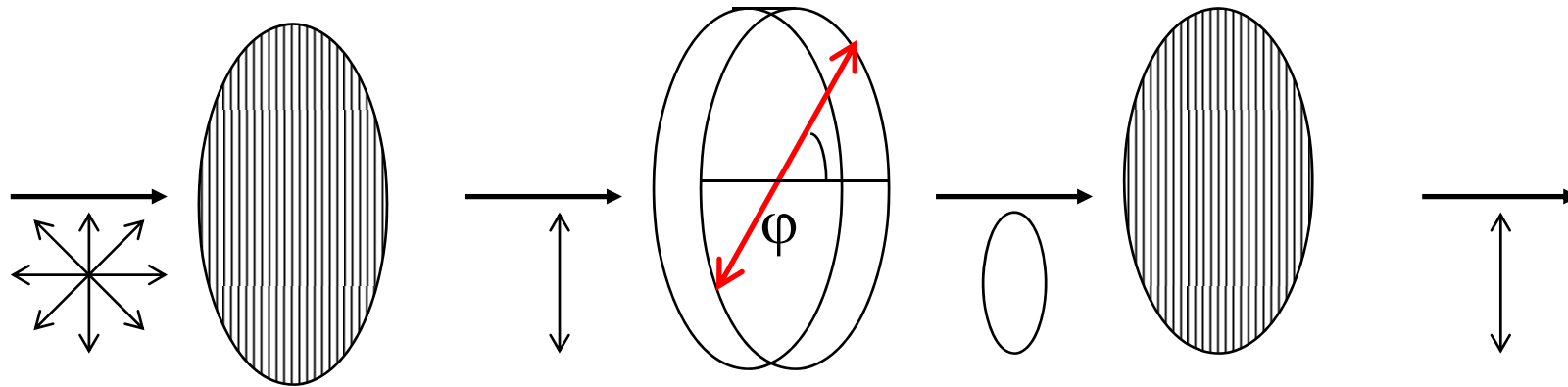
Emerging beam electric field \mathbf{E}'

$$\mathbf{E}' = \begin{pmatrix} E_x' \\ E_y' \end{pmatrix}$$

intensity transmission T

$$T = \frac{|E_x'|^2 + |E_y'|^2}{|E_x|^2 + |E_y|^2}$$

– A retarder with parallel polarizers



$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad -i \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2\varphi & \sin 2\varphi \\ -\sin 2\varphi & \cos 2\varphi \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

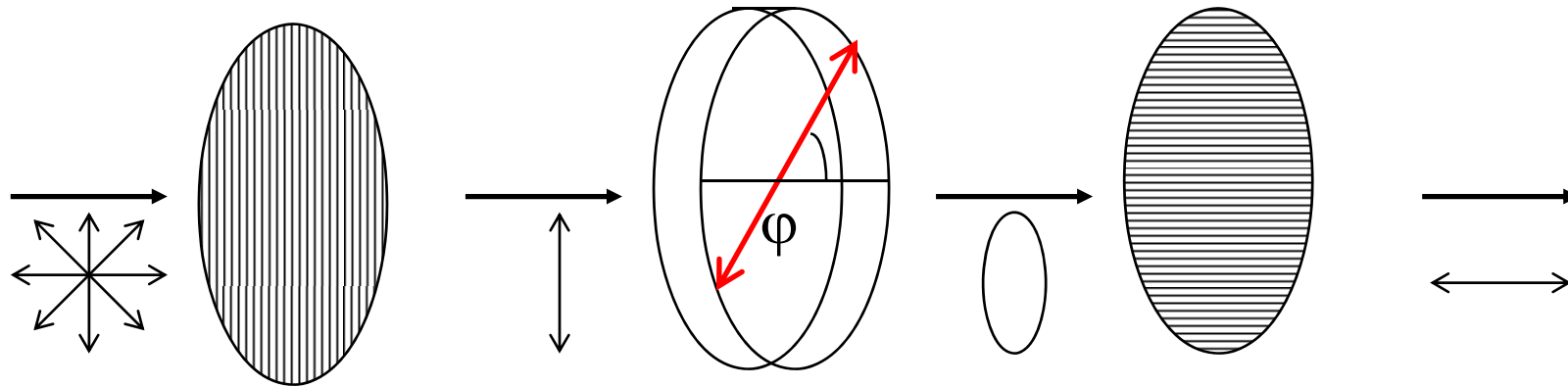
$$\mathbf{E}' = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \frac{\Gamma}{2} & -i \sin \frac{\Gamma}{2} \\ -i \sin \frac{\Gamma}{2} & \cos \frac{\Gamma}{2} \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \cos \frac{\Gamma}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore,

$$I = \frac{1}{2} \cos^2 \frac{\Gamma}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \cos^2 \left[\frac{\pi(n_e - n_o)d}{\lambda} \right]$$

– A retarder with crossed polarizers



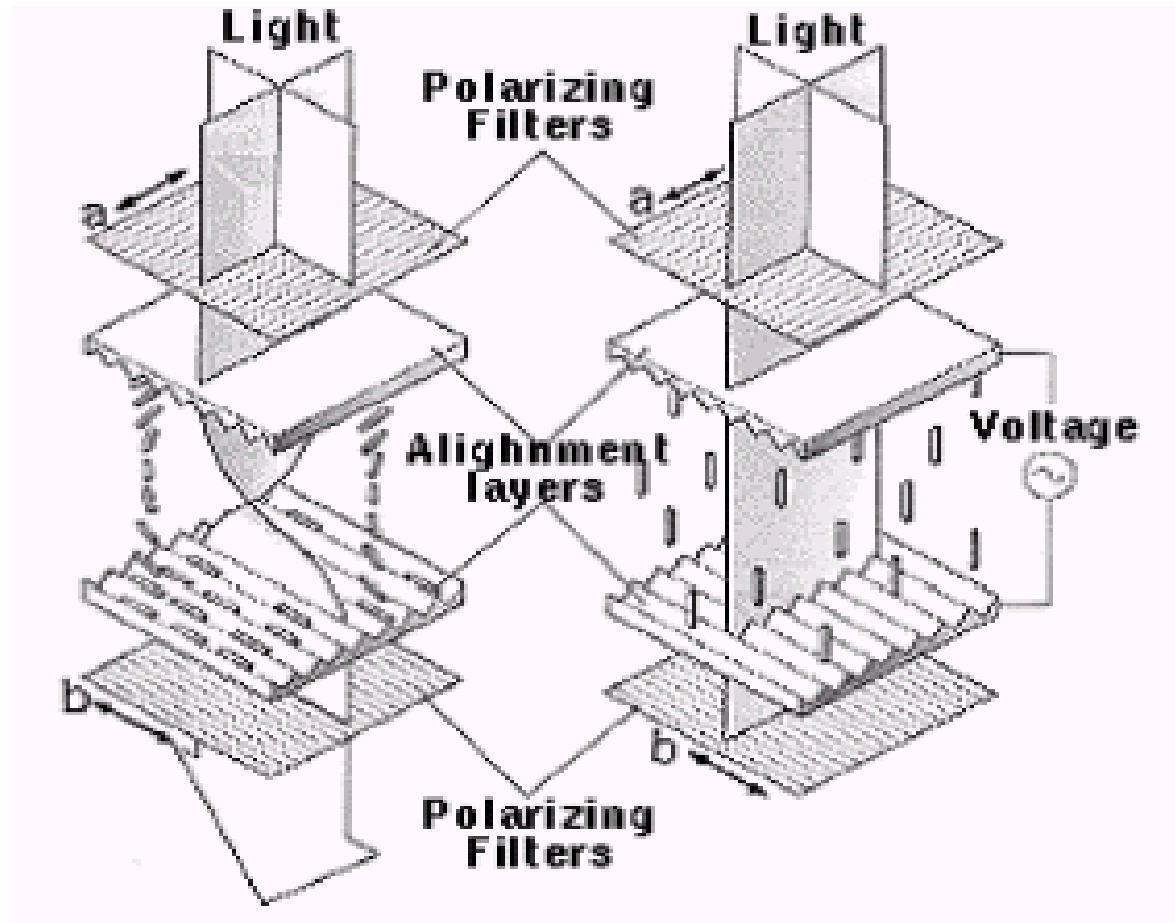
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad -i \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2\varphi & \sin 2\varphi \\ -\sin 2\varphi & \cos 2\varphi \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}' &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \frac{\Gamma}{2} & -i \sin \frac{\Gamma}{2} \\ -i \sin \frac{\Gamma}{2} & \cos \frac{\Gamma}{2} \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \sin \frac{\Gamma}{2} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

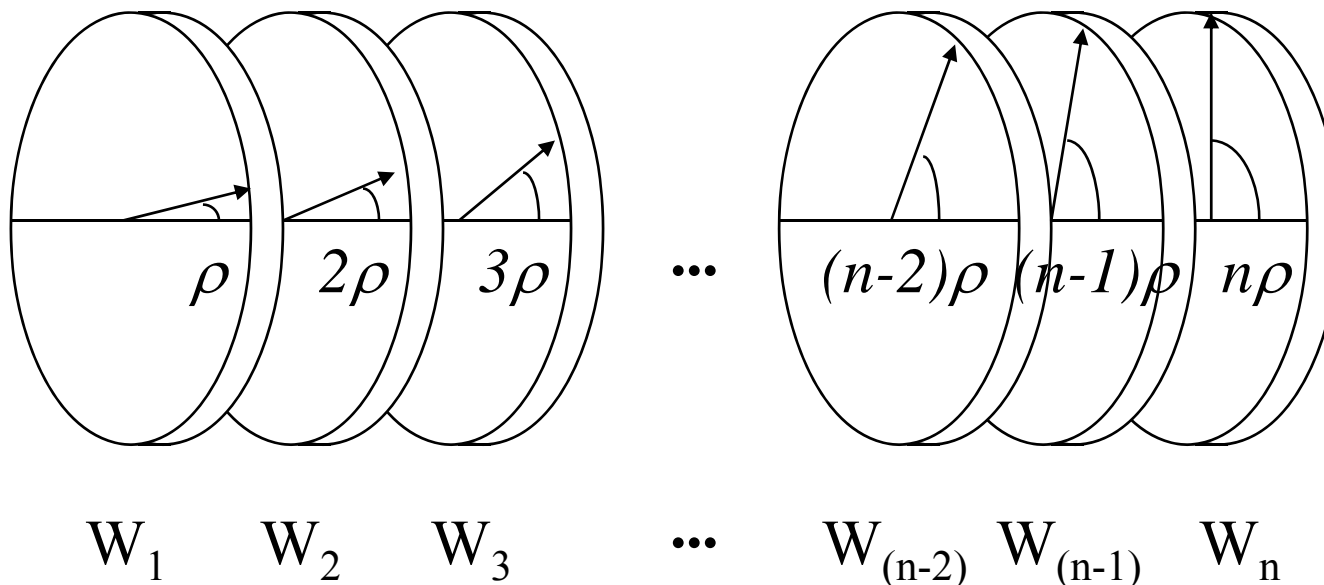
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– light propagation in twisted nematic cell



– light propagation modeling in twisted anisotropic media



$$\begin{aligned}
 M &= W_n W_{(n-1)} W_{(n-2)} \cdots W_3 W_2 W_1 \\
 &= R(-n\rho) W_0 R(n\rho) R(-(n-1)\rho) W_0 R((n-1)\rho) \cdots \\
 &\quad R(-2\rho) W_0 R(2\rho) R(-\rho) W_0 R(\rho) \\
 &= \prod_{m=1}^n R(-m\rho) W_0 R(m\rho)
 \end{aligned}$$

Using identities property below

$$R(\rho_1)R(\rho_2) = R(\rho_1 + \rho_2)$$

therefore,

$$M = R(-\Phi) \left[W_0 R\left(\frac{\Phi}{n}\right) \right]^n \quad \Phi = n\rho : \text{twist angle}$$
$$= R(-\Phi) \left(\begin{array}{cc} \cos\left(\frac{\Phi}{n}\right)e^{-i\Gamma/2n} & \sin\left(\frac{\Phi}{n}\right)e^{-i\Gamma/2n} \\ -\sin\left(\frac{\Phi}{n}\right)e^{-i\Gamma/2n} & \cos\left(\frac{\Phi}{n}\right)e^{-i\Gamma/2n} \end{array} \right)^n$$

Using chebyshev's identity

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix}^n = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{A \sin mZ - \sin(m-1)Z}{\sin Z} & B \frac{\sin mZ}{\sin Z} \\ C \frac{\sin mZ}{\sin Z} & \frac{D \sin mZ - \sin(m-1)Z}{\sin Z} \end{pmatrix}$$

where, $Z = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}(A + D)\right)$

therefore,

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \Phi & -\sin \Phi \\ \sin \Phi & \cos \Phi \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos X - i \frac{\Gamma \sin X}{2 X} & \Phi \frac{\sin X}{X} \\ -\Phi \frac{\sin X}{X} & \cos X + i \frac{\Gamma \sin X}{2 X} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= R(-\Phi) \begin{pmatrix} \cos X - i \frac{\Gamma \sin X}{2 X} & \Phi \frac{\sin X}{X} \\ -\Phi \frac{\sin X}{X} & \cos X + i \frac{\Gamma \sin X}{2 X} \end{pmatrix}$$

where $X = \sqrt{\Phi^2 + \left(\frac{\Gamma}{2}\right)^2}$

– Waveguiding in TN cell

In the principle coordinate system

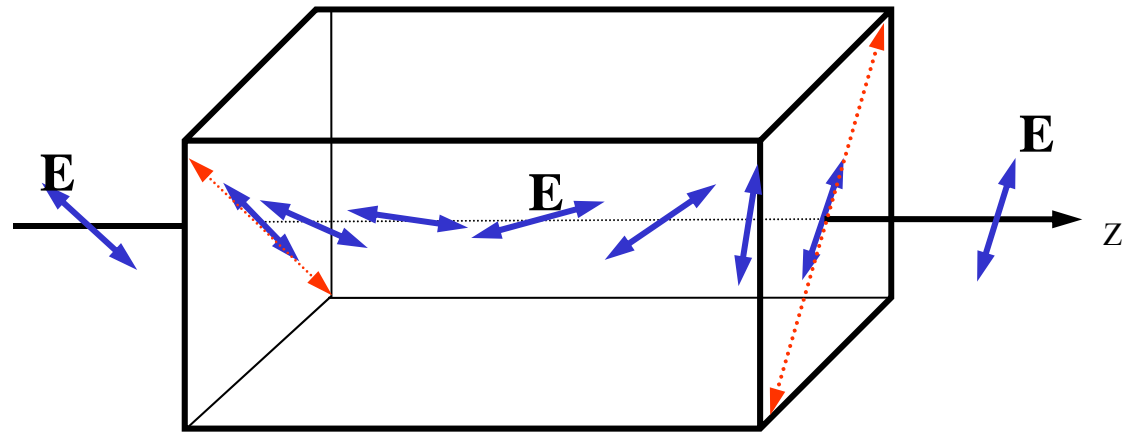
$$\begin{pmatrix} V_e' \\ V_o' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos X - i \frac{\Gamma}{2} \frac{\sin X}{X} & \phi \frac{\sin X}{X} \\ -\phi \frac{\sin X}{X} & \cos X + i \frac{\Gamma}{2} \frac{\sin X}{X} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} V_e \\ V_o \end{pmatrix}$$

As for e-mode wave $\begin{pmatrix} V_e \\ V_o \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, and very high $\Delta n d \gg \Phi$

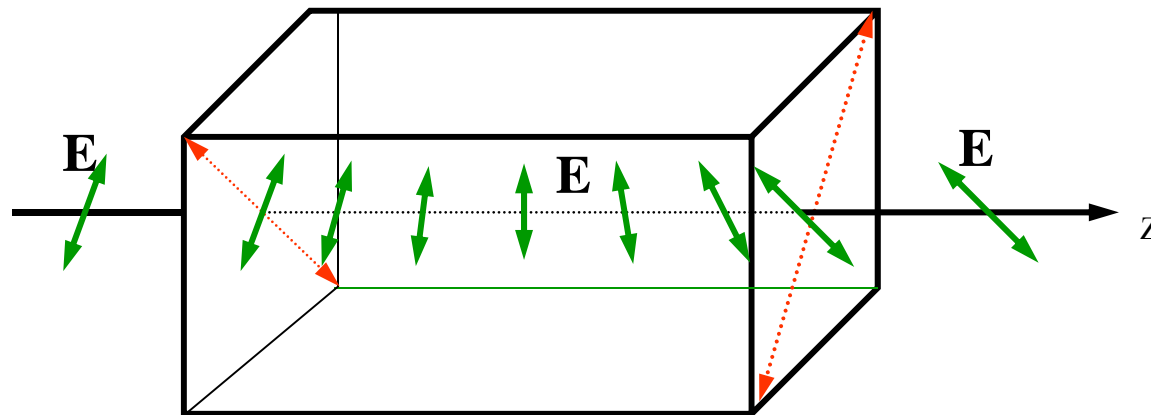
$$\begin{pmatrix} V_e' \\ V_o' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos X - i \frac{\Gamma \sin X}{2X} \\ -\phi \frac{\sin X}{X} \end{pmatrix} \approx \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\Gamma/2} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

→ Emerging electric field is parallel to the local director

Waveguiding!!

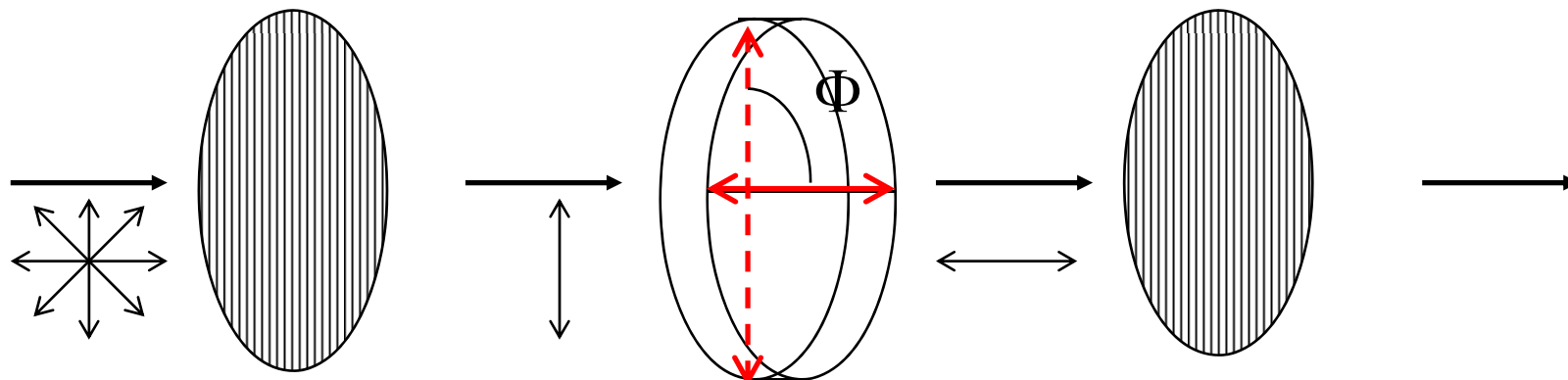


e-mode waveguiding



o-mode waveguiding

-TN cell with parallel polarizers (normally black mode)



$$V' = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} R(-\Phi) \begin{pmatrix} \cos X - i \frac{\Gamma \sin X}{2 X} & \Phi \frac{\sin X}{X} \\ -\Phi \frac{\sin X}{X} & \cos X + i \frac{\Gamma \sin X}{2 X} \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \Phi \frac{\sin X}{X} \end{pmatrix}$$

therefore

$$I = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \Phi \frac{\sin X}{X} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\sin^2(\Phi \sqrt{1+u^2})}{1+u^2}$$

where $u = \frac{2}{\lambda} \Delta nd$:mauguin parameter

Zero transmittance condition

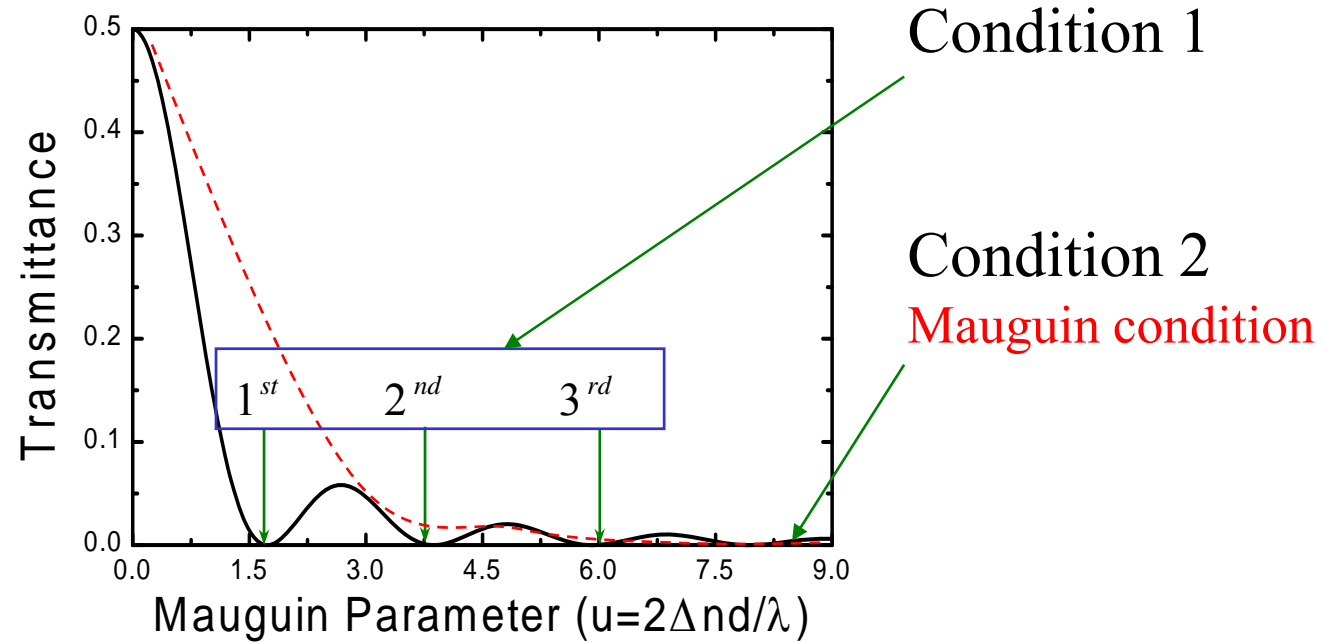
1. $\Phi \sqrt{1+u^2} = m\pi$ ($m = 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$)

2. $u \approx \infty$ ($\Delta nd \gg \lambda$) $\rightarrow \phi \ll \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \Delta nd$

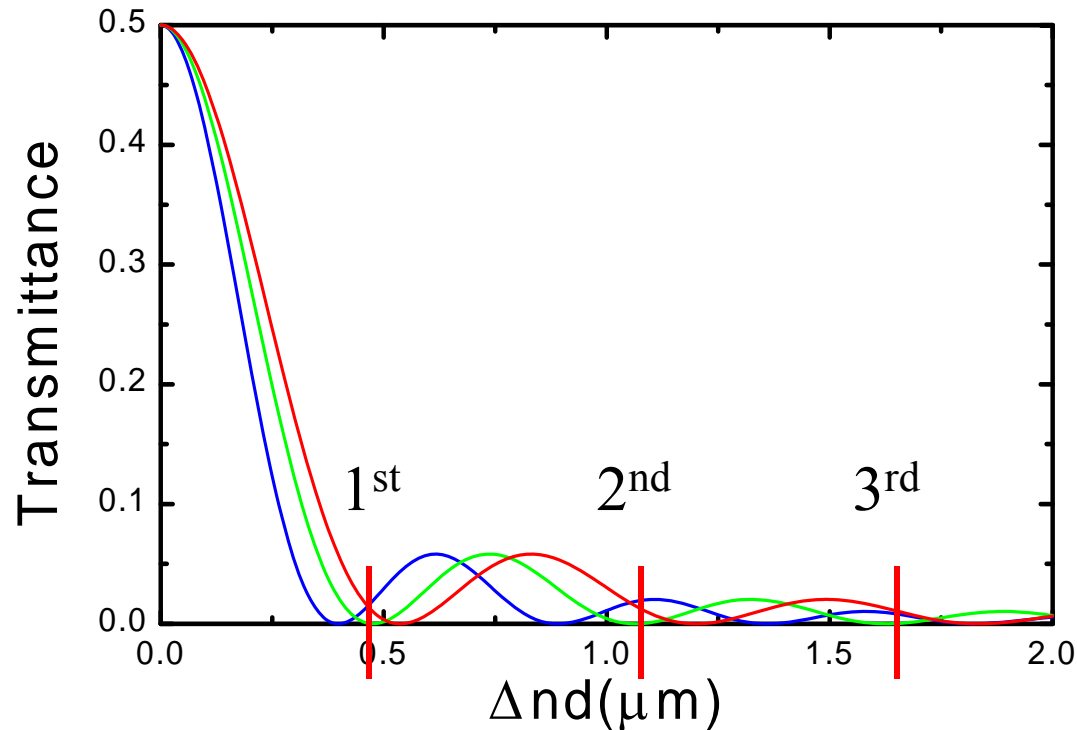
Mauguin condition

Zero transmittance condition

If $\Phi = \pi/2$



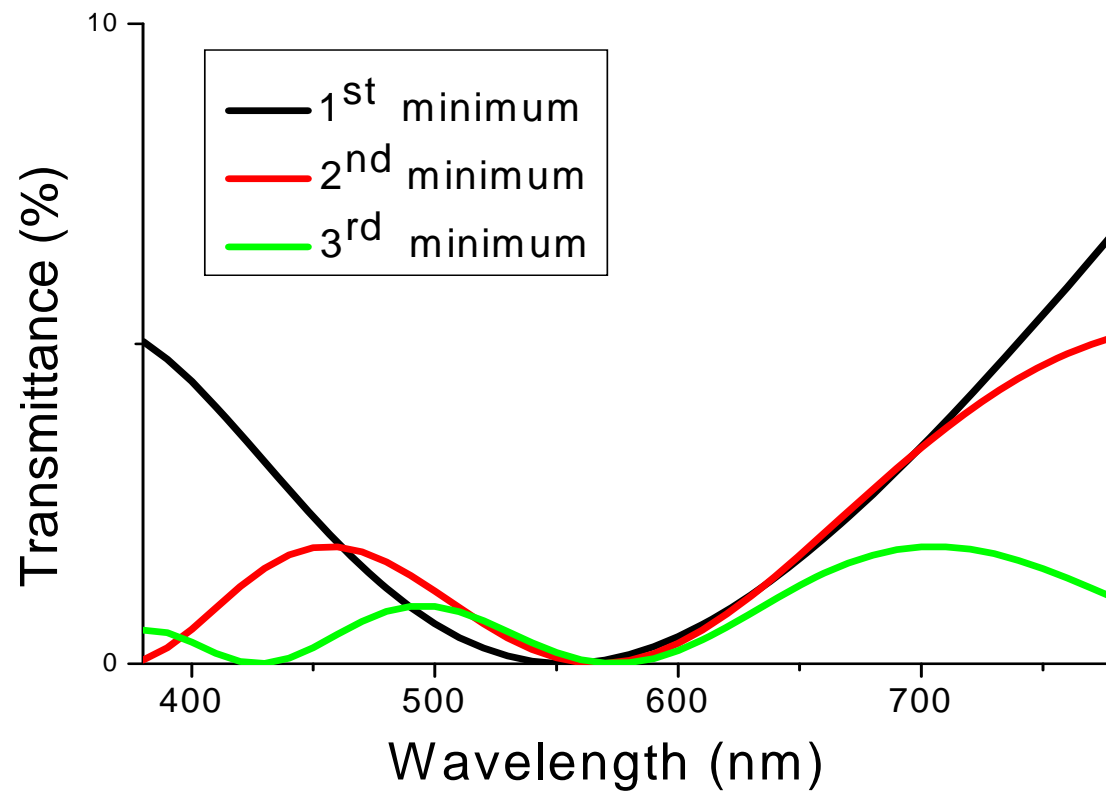
Phase dispersion in zero points



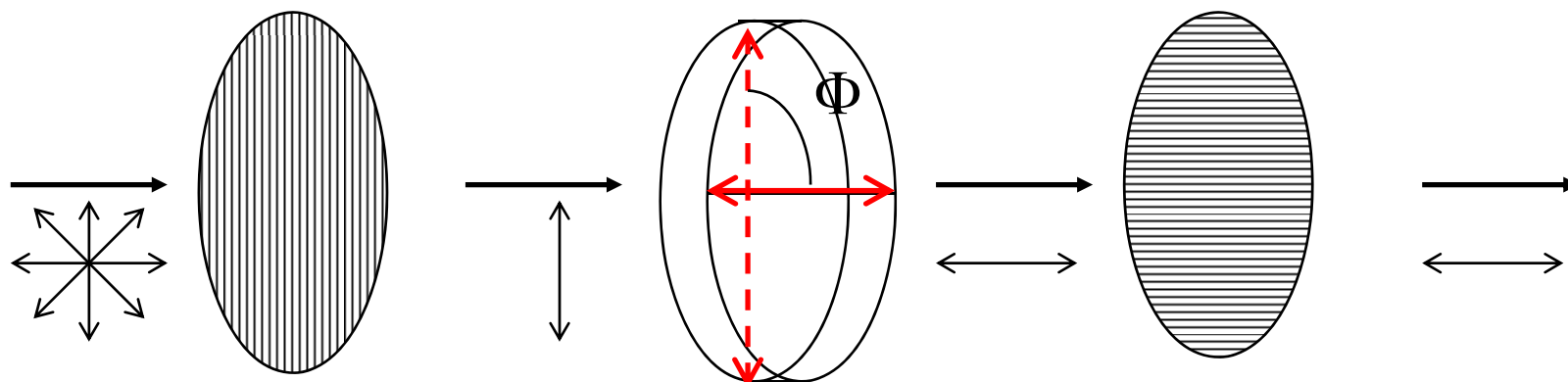
Phase dispersion makes a LC cell leak the light in the dark state

→ **normally white mode** in first minimum condition

Phase dispersion in the dark state



-TN cell with crossed polarizers (normally white mode)



$$V' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} R(-\Phi) \begin{pmatrix} \cos X - i \frac{\Gamma \sin X}{2 X} & \Phi \frac{\sin X}{X} \\ -\Phi \frac{\sin X}{X} & \cos X + i \frac{\Gamma \sin X}{2 X} \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \cos X + i \frac{\Gamma \sin X}{2 X} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

therefore

$$I = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{\sin^2 \left(\Phi \sqrt{1+u^2} \right)}{1+u^2} \right)$$

where $u = \frac{2}{\lambda} \Delta nd$: mauguin parameter

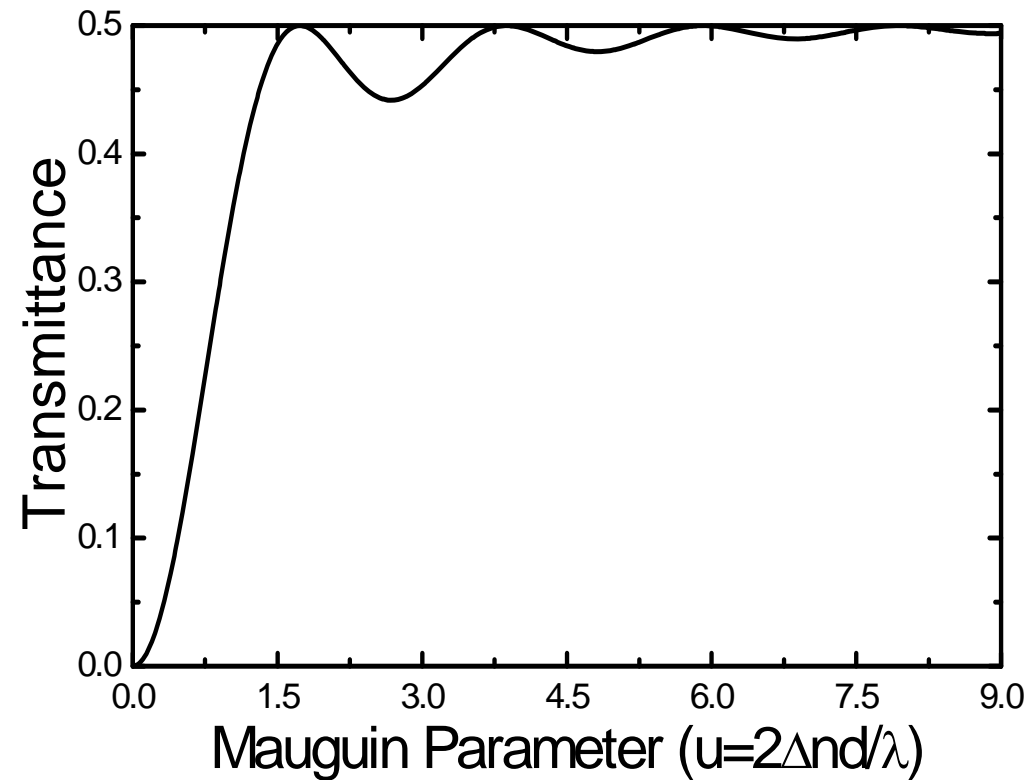
maximum transmittance condition

1. $\Phi \sqrt{1+u^2} = m\pi$ ($m = 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$)

2. $u \approx \infty$ ($\Delta nd \gg \lambda$) $\rightarrow \phi \ll \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \Delta nd$

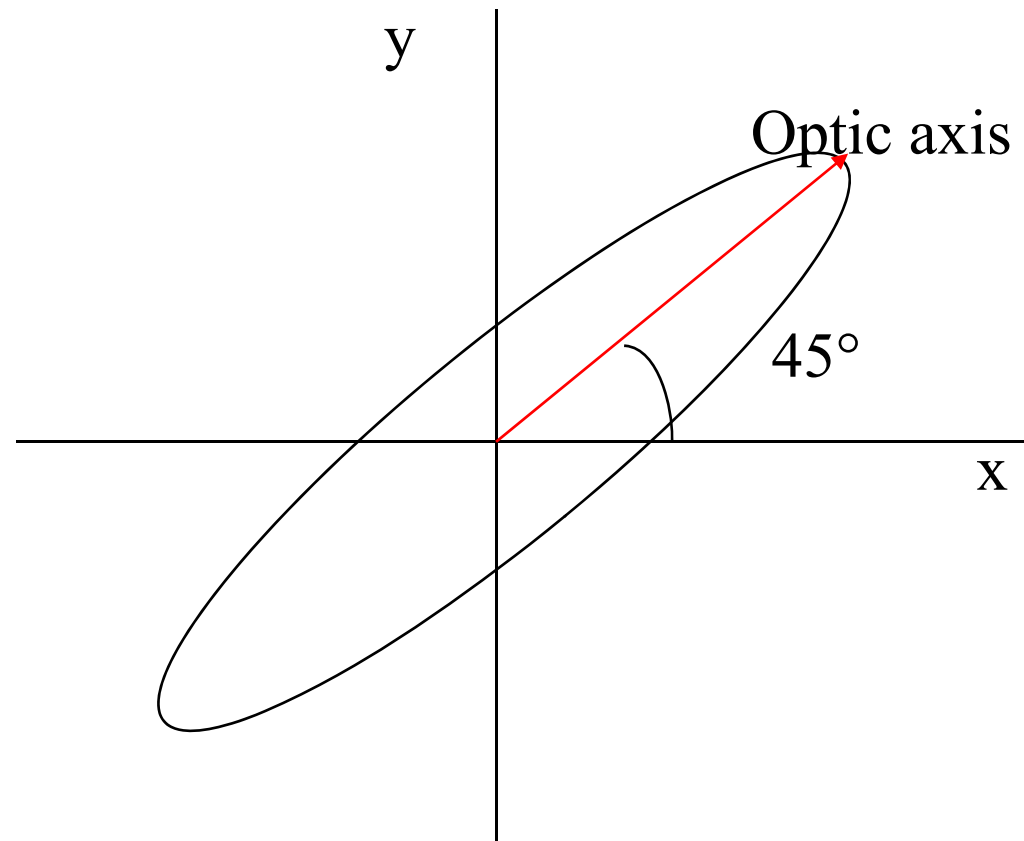
transmittance condition for N.W mode

If $\Phi = \pi/2$

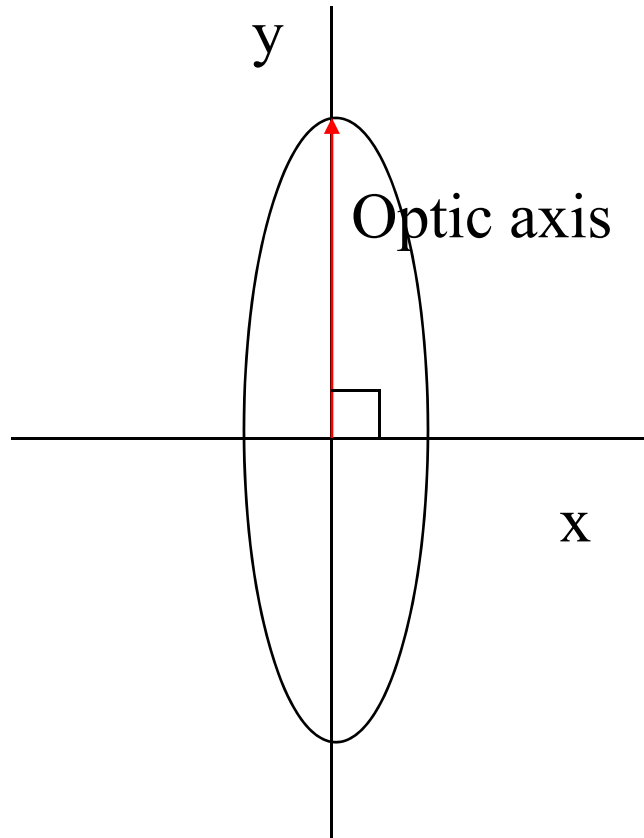


-TN cell and IPS cell with crossed polarizers

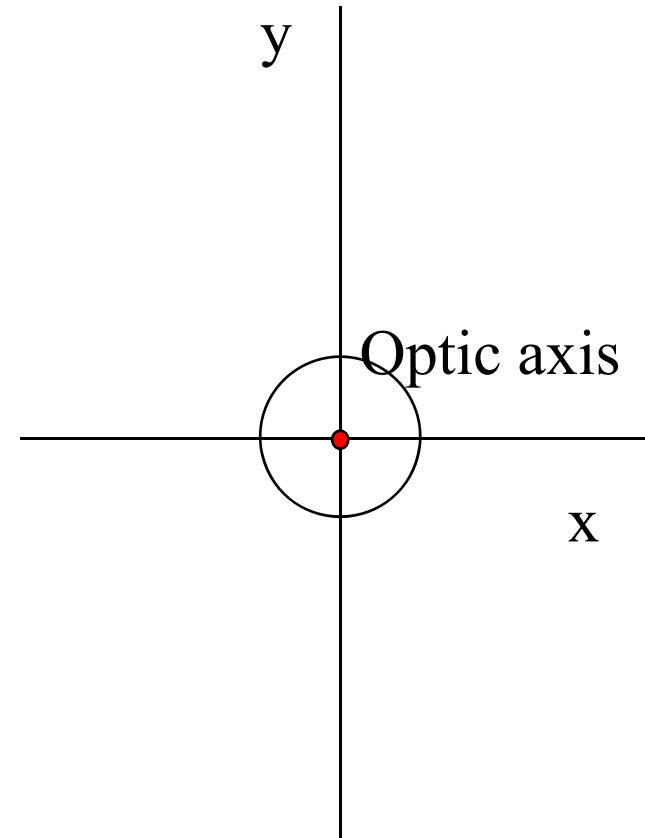
- Bright state : both of IPS and TN cell



- Dark state :



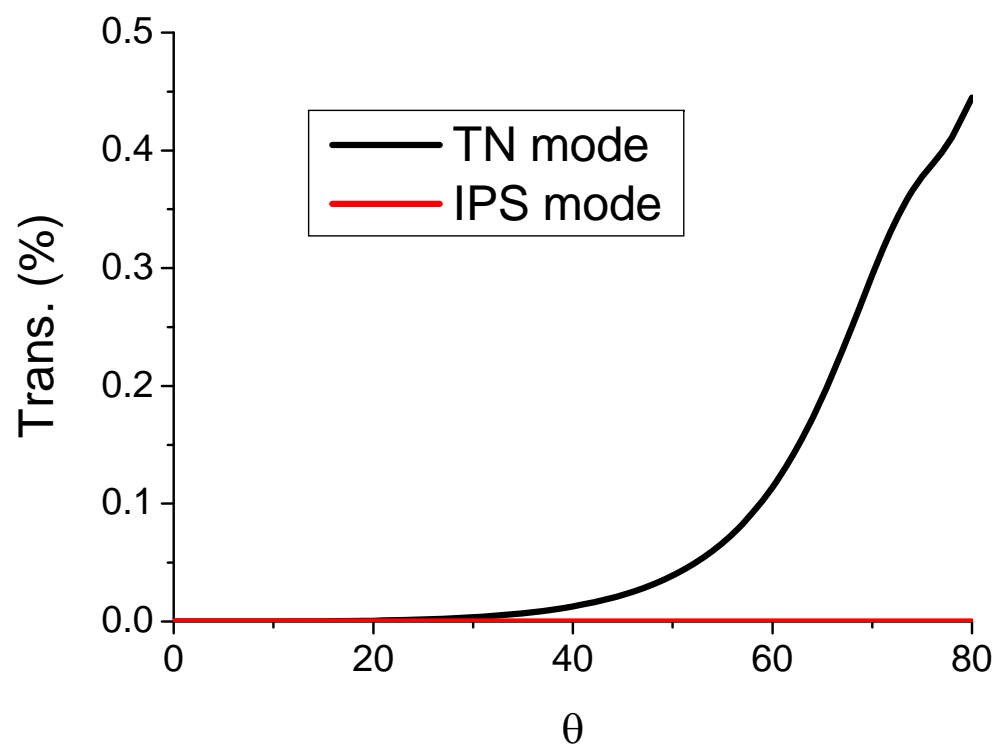
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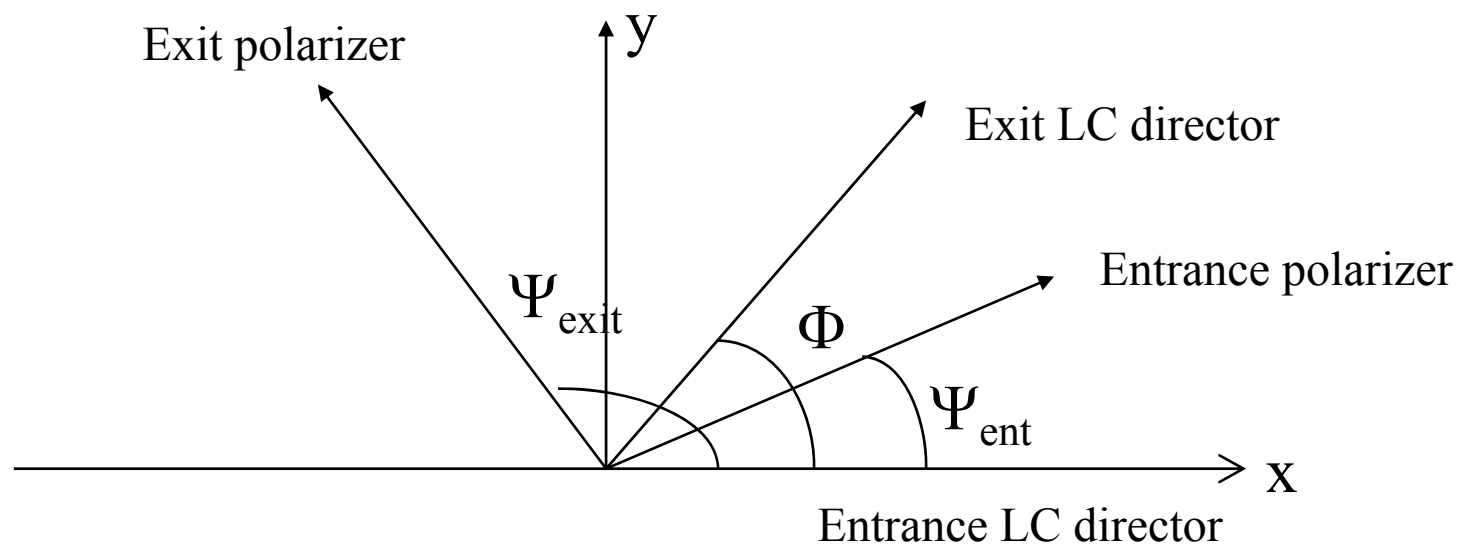
TN mode

– Optical transmission btm. TN cell and IPS cell in oblique incident direction

$$\frac{1}{n_e^2(\theta)} = \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{n_e^2} + \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{n_o^2}, \quad n_o^2(\theta) = n_o^2 \rightarrow \Delta n_{eff} = n_e(\theta) - n_o, \quad d_{eff} = \frac{d}{\cos \theta}$$



– Analytic solution for TN cell (1)



Input polarization
$$\begin{pmatrix} V_x \\ V_y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \Psi_{ent} \\ \sin \Psi_{ent} \end{pmatrix}$$

Output polarization
$$\begin{pmatrix} V_x' \\ V_y' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \Psi_{exit} \\ \sin \Psi_{exit} \end{pmatrix}$$

Transmission $T = |V' MV|$

$$T = \cos^2(\alpha - \beta) - \sin X \sin 2\beta \sin 2\alpha +$$

$$\frac{\Phi}{2X} \sin 2X \sin 2(\alpha - \beta) - \Phi^2 \frac{\sin^2 X}{X^2} \cos 2\alpha \cos 2\beta$$

$$\alpha = \Psi_{ent}, \quad \beta = \Psi_{exit} - \Phi$$

therefore

$$T = \cos^2(\alpha + \beta) -$$

$$\cos^2 X \cos 2\beta \cos 2\alpha \left[\frac{\Phi}{X} \tan X - \tan 2\alpha \right] \left[\frac{\Phi}{X} \tan X + \tan 2\beta \right]$$

For maximum transmittance $T=1$

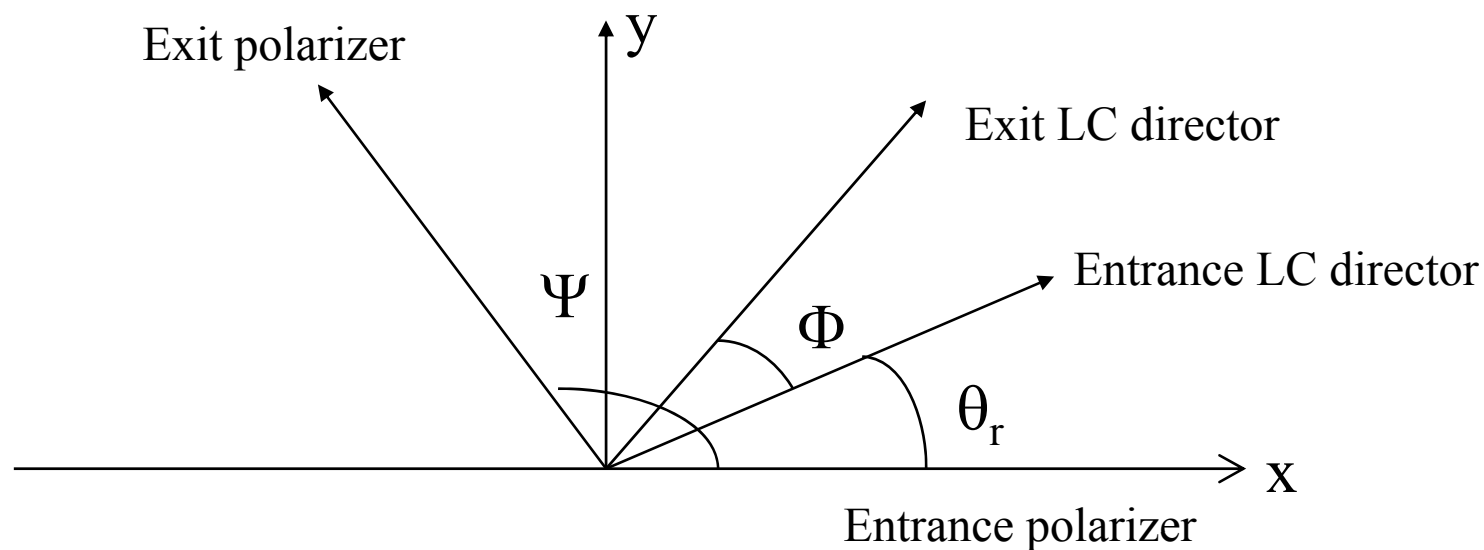
$$\frac{\Phi}{X} \tan X = \tan 2\alpha, \quad \beta = -\alpha$$

$$\Psi_{exit} = \Phi - \Psi_{ent}$$

Decision of retardation

Decision of the polarizer angle

– Analytic solution for TN cell (2)



Input polarization

$$\begin{pmatrix} V_x \\ V_y \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Output polarization

$$\begin{pmatrix} V_x' \\ V_y' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \Psi \\ \sin \Psi \end{pmatrix}$$

Transmission

$$T = |V' MV|$$

$$T = \left(\cos X \cos(\Phi - \Psi) + \frac{\Phi}{X} \sin X \sin(\Phi - \Psi) \right)^2 + \left(1 - \left(\frac{\Phi}{X} \right)^2 \right) \sin^2 X \cos^2 (2\theta_r + \Phi - \Psi)$$

This alignment is useful for **measurement of Φ and Δ** and

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