

$S_g \propto$  electric fields at other frequencies. 72

$\Rightarrow$  waves are coupled. If  $d=0$ , nonlinearity vanishes.  
 $\Rightarrow$  normal Helmholtz equation.

Notice, if  $\omega_1, \omega_2, \omega_3$  are not commensurate (one frequency is not the sum or difference of the other two).  
the  $S$  has no sources at  $\omega_1, \omega_2$ , and  $\omega_3$ .

$\Rightarrow S$  vanishes and waves do not interact.

For the three waves to be coupled by the medium, frequencies must commensurate:

$$\boxed{\omega_3 = \omega_1 + \omega_2} \quad \text{frequency matching condition.}$$

or  $\omega_3 = \omega_1 - \omega_2$ .

Example, if  $\omega_3 = \omega_1 + \omega_2$ .  $S_1 = 2\mu_0 \omega_1^2 d E_3 E_2^*$   
 $S_2 = 2\mu_0 \omega_2^2 d E_3 E_1^*$   
 $S_3 = 2\mu_0 \omega_3^2 d E_1 E_2$ . } waves are coupled.

( $E_3 E_2^*$  has frequency  $\omega_1 = \omega_3 - \omega_2$  etc).

$$\boxed{(\nabla^2 + k_1^2) E_1 = -2\mu_0 \omega_1^2 d E_3 E_2^*}$$
$$(\nabla^2 + k_2^2) E_2 = -2\mu_0 \omega_2^2 d E_3 E_1^*$$
$$(\nabla^2 + k_3^2) E_3 = -2\mu_0 \omega_3^2 d E_1 E_2$$

Three-Wave  
Mixing Coupled  
Equations

Last time we showed that the coupled three-wave mixing equations are:

$$(\nabla^2 + k_1^2) E_1 = -2\mu_0 \omega_3^2 d E_3 E_2^*$$

$$(\nabla^2 + k_2^2) E_2 = -2\mu_0 \omega_2^2 d E_3 E_1^*$$

$$(\nabla^2 + k_3^2) E_3 = -2\mu_0 \omega_1^2 d E_1 E_2$$

for  $\omega_3 = \omega_1 + \omega_2$  (frequency matching condition).

Assume:

$$\rightarrow E_g A_g \exp(-jk_g z) \quad A_g \text{ is complex}$$

$$\rightarrow k_g = \frac{\omega_g}{c} \quad g=1,2,3.$$

Normalize amplitude:  $a_g = \frac{A_g}{(2\eta\hbar\omega_g)^{1/2}}$   $\eta = \frac{\eta_0}{n}$   $\eta_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}}$

$\hbar\omega_g$  - energy of photon of angular frequency  $\omega_g$ .

$$\Rightarrow E_g = (2\eta\hbar\omega_g)^{1/2} a_g \exp(-jk_g z) \quad g=1,2,3.$$

$$\text{Intensity} \quad I_g = \frac{|E_g|^2}{2\eta} = \hbar\omega_g |a_g|^2$$

Photon flux density (photons/s-m<sup>2</sup>)

$$\phi_g = \frac{I_g}{\hbar\omega_g} = |a_g|^2$$

We use this notation because the wave mixing depends on the photon-number conservation.

Because of interaction,  $a_g$  will vary with  $z$  i.e.  $a_g = a_g(z)$ .

Assume  $a_g(z)$  varies slowly with  $z$ . (approximately constant within a distance of a wavelength).

(Slowly varying envelope approximation)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 a_g}{dz^2} \text{ is neglected relative to } k_g \frac{da_g}{dz} = \left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda_g}\right) \frac{da_g}{dz}.$$

$$\Rightarrow (\nabla^2 + k_g^2) [a_g \exp(-jk_g z)] \approx -j2k_g \frac{da_g}{dz} \exp(-jk_g z).$$

(verify this for yourself).

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{da_1}{dz} &= -jg a_3 a_2^* \exp(-j\Delta k z) \\ \frac{da_2}{dz} &= -jg a_3 a_1^* \exp(-j\Delta k z) \\ \frac{da_3}{dz} &= -jg a_1 a_2 \exp(j\Delta k z). \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} g^2 = 2\hbar w_1 w_2 w_3 / d^2 \\ \Delta k = k_3 - k_2 - k_1. \end{array} \right\}$$

$a_1, a_2, a_3$  - governed by three coupled first-order differential equations.

We can further show that  $\frac{d}{dz} (I_1 + I_2 + I_3) = 0$ . (Energy conservation)

and Photon-number conservation: Manley-Rowe Relation:

$$\frac{d}{dz} |a_1|^2 = \frac{d}{dz} |a_2|^2 = -\frac{d}{dz} |a_3|^2.$$

$$\text{or } \frac{d\phi_1}{dz} = \frac{d\phi_2}{dz} = -\frac{d\phi_3}{dz}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{d}{dz}\left(\frac{I_1}{w_1}\right) = \frac{d}{dz}\left(\frac{I_2}{w_2}\right) = -\frac{d}{dz}\left(\frac{I_3}{w_3}\right) \leftarrow \text{Mandey-Rowe relation.}$$

This implies that  $|a_1|^2 + |a_3|^2$  and  $|a_2|^2 + |a_3|^2$  are invariant in wave-mixing processes.

### Second Harmonic Generation

$$w_1 = w_2 = w \quad \text{and} \quad w_3 = 2w.$$

Two interactions can occur:

- ① Two photons of freq  $w$  combine to form a photon of frequency  $2w$  (second harmonic).
- ② One photon of frequency  $2w$  splits into 2 photons of frequency  $w$ .

Conservation of momentum  $\Rightarrow \vec{k}_3 = 2\vec{k}_1$  (phase matching)

Two waves of amplitude  $E_1 \& E_3$ .

$$\Rightarrow S_1 = 2\mu_0 w_1^2 d E_3 E_1^*$$

$$S_2 = \mu_0 w_3^2 d E_1 E_1.$$

$$(\nabla^2 + k_1^2) E_1 = -2\mu_0 w_1^2 d E_3 E_1^*$$

$$(\nabla^2 + k_3^2) E_3 = -\mu_0 w_3^2 d E_1 E_1.$$

$$\therefore \frac{da_1}{dz} = -j g a_3 a_1^* \exp(-j \Delta kz) .$$

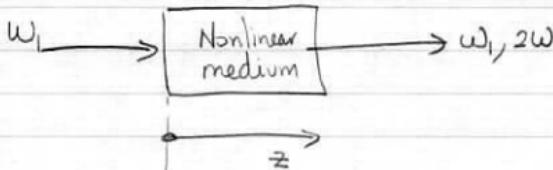
$$\frac{da_3}{dz} = -j \frac{g}{2} a_1 a_1^* \exp(-j \Delta kz) \quad \Delta k = k_3 - k_1,$$

$$g^2 = 4\pi \omega^3 n^3 d^2$$

Assuming two collinear waves with perfect phase matching

$$(\Delta k = 0) \Rightarrow \frac{da_1}{dz} = -j g a_3 a_1^*$$

$$\frac{da_3}{dz} = -j \frac{g}{2} a_1 a_1.$$



$$a_3(0) = 0. \quad a_1(0) \text{ assumed to be real.}$$

Boundary conditions.

$$\text{and } |a_1(z)|^2 + 2|a_3(z)|^2 = \text{constant}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1(z) = a_1(0) \operatorname{sech} \left( \frac{ga_1(0)z}{\sqrt{2}} \right).$$

$$a_3(z) = -\frac{j}{\sqrt{2}} a_1(0) \tanh \left( \frac{ga_1(0)z}{\sqrt{2}} \right).$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_1(z) = \phi_1(0) \operatorname{sech}^2 \left( \frac{\gamma z}{2} \right)$$

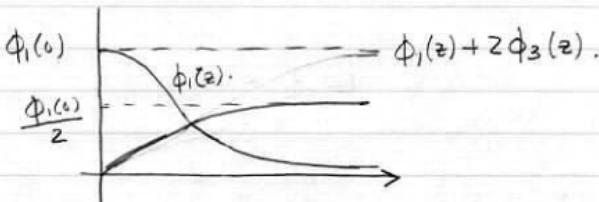
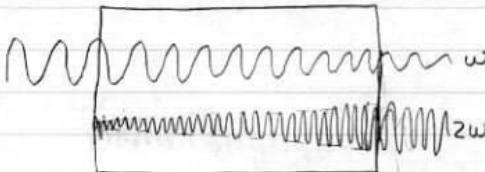
$$\phi_2(z) = \frac{1}{2} \phi_1(0) \tanh^2 \left( \frac{\gamma z}{2} \right); \quad \frac{\gamma}{2} = \frac{ga_1(0)}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$Y^2 = 2g^2 a_1^2 |I_0| = 2g^2 \phi_1(0) = 8d^2 \eta^3 \tanh^3 \phi_1(0) = 8d^2 \eta^3 \omega^3 I_1(0).$$

Notice:  $\operatorname{sech}^2 + \tanh^2 = 1$ .

$$\Rightarrow \phi_1(z) + 2\phi_3(z) = \phi_1(0) = \text{constant}.$$

photons of wave 1 are converted to half as many photons of wave 3.



Second harmonic efficiency :

$$\frac{I_3(L)}{I_1(0)} = \frac{\hbar \omega_3 \phi_3(L)}{\hbar \omega_1 \phi_1(0)} = \frac{2\phi_3(L)}{\phi_1(0)}.$$

$$\boxed{\frac{I_3(L)}{I_1(0)} = +\tan^2 \frac{\gamma L}{2}}.$$

For large  $\gamma L = \sqrt{8d\eta^3}\omega^{3/2} I_1^{1/2}(0)L$  efficiency approaches 1.

$\Rightarrow$  all power converted to second harmonic.

For small  $\gamma L$  (small device length L, small nonlinear parameter d, or small input  $\phi_1(0)$ ),  $\tanh(x) \approx x$  for small x.

$$\Rightarrow \tanh^2\left(\frac{\gamma L}{2}\right) \approx \frac{\gamma^2 L^2}{4}$$

$$\frac{I_3(L)}{I_1(0)} = \frac{1}{4} \gamma^2 L^2 = \frac{1}{2} g^2 L^2 \phi_1(0) = 2 d^2 \eta^3 \hbar \omega^3 L^2 \phi_1(0) = 2 d^2 \eta^3 \omega^2 L^2 I_1(0)$$

$$\frac{I_3(L)}{I_1(0)} = 2 \eta_0^3 \omega^2 \frac{d^2}{\eta^3} \frac{L^2}{A} P.$$

$P = I_1(0) A$  is the incident optical power and  $A$  is the cross-sectional area.

$\frac{d^2}{\eta^3}$  - figure of merit. (material dependent)

$\frac{L^2}{A}$  geometrical factor.

Effect of phase mismatch  $\Delta k \neq 0$ .

Weak coupling case  $\gamma L \ll 1$ .  $a_1(z)$  varies slightly with  $z$  and  $a_1(z) \approx a_1(0)$  (approximately constant).

$$\Rightarrow \frac{da_3}{dz} = -j \frac{g}{2} \tilde{a}_1(0) \exp(j \Delta k z)$$

Integrate over  $z$  from 0 to  $L$

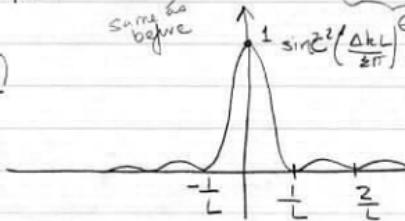
$$\Rightarrow a_3(L) = -\left(\frac{g}{2 \Delta k}\right) a_1^2(0) [\exp(j \Delta k L) - 1]$$

$$\phi_3(L) = |a_3(L)|^2 = \left(\frac{g}{\Delta k}\right)^2 a_1^2(0) \sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta k L}{2}\right).$$

$$\text{or } \frac{I_3(L)}{I_1(0)} = \frac{2 \phi_3(L)}{\phi_1(0)} = \frac{1}{2} g^2 L^2 \phi_1(0) \sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta k L}{2\pi}\right).$$

$$\text{sinc}(x) = \frac{\sin(\pi x)}{\pi x}$$

sinc before extra fact.



If  $|\Delta k| = \frac{\pi}{L} \Rightarrow 0.4$ -factor. phase matching is more stringent as  $L$  becomes longer.

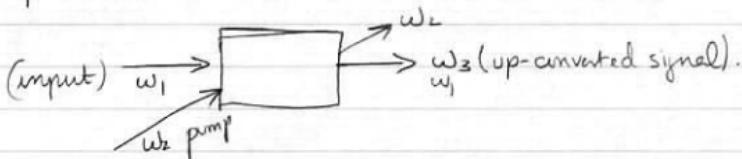
For a given  $\Delta k$   $L_c = \frac{2\pi}{|\Delta k|}$  - measure of maximum length within which 2nd harmonic generation is efficient.  
 $L_c$  - coherence length.

$$|\Delta k| = 2 \left( \frac{\pi}{\lambda_0} \right) |\underbrace{n_3 - n_1}_{\text{material dispersion}}| \quad \lambda_0 - \text{free space wavelength of fundamental wave}$$

$$L_c = \frac{\lambda_0}{2} |\underbrace{n_3 - n_1}_{\text{material dispersion}}| \text{ inversely proportional to } |\underbrace{n_3 - n_1}_{\text{material dispersion}}|.$$

### Frequency Conversion.

Frequency up-converter.



Assume  $\Delta k = 0$  (3 wave mixing equation), and that the pump remains approximately constant (very powerful beam).  $a_2(z) \approx a_2(0)$ .

$$\Rightarrow \frac{da_1}{dz} = -j \frac{\chi}{2} a_3. \quad \frac{da_3}{dz} = -j \frac{\chi}{2} a_1. \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{simple} \\ \text{D.E.} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\chi = 2g a_2(0) \cdot a_2(0) \text{ assumed real}$$

harmonic solutions

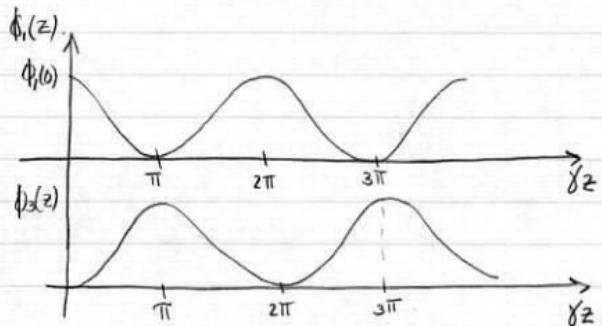
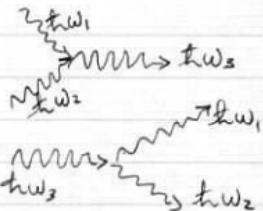
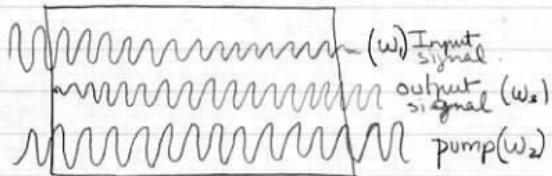
$$\text{Solutions: } a_1(z) = a_1(0) \cos \frac{\gamma z}{2}$$

$$a_3(z) = -j a_1(0) \sin \frac{\gamma z}{2}.$$

Corresponding photon flux densities:

$$\phi_1(z) = \phi_1(0) \cos^2 \left( \frac{\gamma z}{2} \right)$$

$$\phi_3(z) = \phi_1(0) \sin^2 \left( \frac{\gamma z}{2} \right).$$



photons converted  
from  $\omega_1 \rightarrow \omega_3$ .  
(periodic).

$0 \leq z \leq \frac{\pi}{\gamma} \quad \omega_1 \rightarrow \omega_3$  (  $\omega_1$  attenuated - up-conversion ).

$\pi/8 \leq z \leq \frac{2\pi}{\gamma} \quad \omega_3 \rightarrow \omega_1$  (  $\omega_3$  attenuated ) .

Efficiency for up-conversion for a device of length L.

$$\frac{I_3(L)}{I_1(0)} = \frac{\omega_3}{\omega_1} \sin^2 \frac{\gamma L}{2}.$$

for  $\gamma L \ll 1$

$$\frac{I_3(L)}{I_1(0)} \approx \frac{\omega_3}{\omega_1} \left( \frac{\gamma L}{2} \right)^2 = \left( \frac{\omega_3}{\omega_1} \right) g^2 L^2 \phi_2(0) = 2 \omega_3^2 L^2 d^2 \eta^3 I_2(0)$$

which finally means:

$$\frac{I_3(1)}{I_1(0)} = 2\eta_0^3 \omega_3^2 \frac{d^2}{n^3} \cdot \frac{L^2}{A} P_2$$

$A$  = cross-sectional area

$P_2 = I_2(0) A$  is the pump power.

$\frac{d^2}{n^3}$  (material parameter).

### Parametric Amplification and Oscillation.

Wave 1 - signal to be amplified.

Wave 3 - pump.

Wave 2 - idler - auxiliary wave created by the interaction process.

Pump @  $\hbar\omega_3 \rightarrow \hbar\omega_1 + \hbar\omega_2$ . Assuming a large pump  $a_3(z) = a_3(0)$

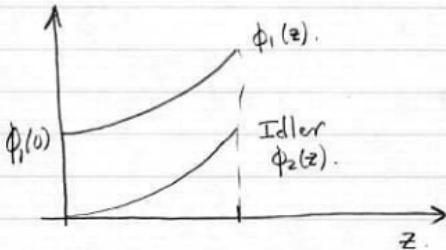
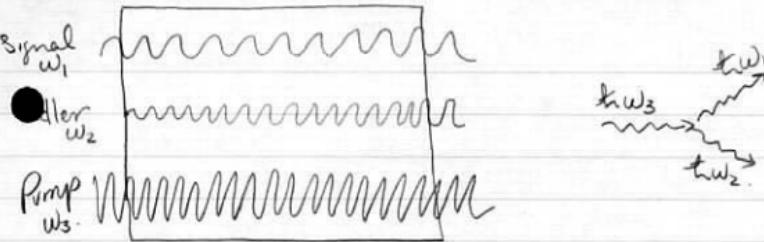
$$\Rightarrow \frac{da_1}{dz} = -j \frac{\gamma}{2} a_2^* \quad \frac{da_2}{dz} = -j \frac{\gamma}{2} a_1^*$$

$\gamma = 2g a_3(0)$ . If  $a_3(0)$  is real  $\not\perp \gamma$  is real

$$\Rightarrow a_1(z) = a_1(0) \cosh\left(\frac{\gamma z}{2}\right)$$

$$a_2(z) = -j a_1(0) \sinh\left(\frac{\gamma z}{2}\right).$$

$$\phi_1(z) = \phi_1(0) \cosh^2\left(\frac{\gamma z}{2}\right) \quad \phi_2(z) = \phi_1(0) \sinh^2\left(\frac{\gamma z}{2}\right).$$



Both  $\phi_1(z)$  and  $\phi_2(z)$  grow monotonically with  $z$ ,  
Saturates when sufficient energy is drawn from the pump so  
that  $\alpha_3(z) \ll \alpha_3(0)$ .  $\Rightarrow$  assumption violated.

$$\text{Total Gain for } \gamma L \gg 1 . \quad G = \frac{(e^{\gamma L/2} + e^{-\gamma L/2})^2}{4} = \frac{\phi_1(L)}{\phi_1(0)} \\ = \cosh^2\left(\frac{\gamma L}{2}\right).$$

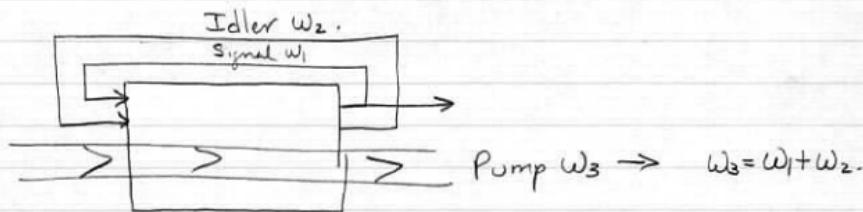
$\gamma L \gg 1 \Rightarrow G \approx e^{\gamma L/4} . \Rightarrow$  gain exponential with  $\gamma L$

$$\gamma = 2g\alpha_3(0) = 2d(2\hbar\omega_1\omega_2\omega_3\eta^3)^{1/2}\alpha_3(0) .$$

$$\gamma = \left[ 8\eta_0^3 \omega_1 \omega_2 \frac{d^2}{n^3} \frac{R}{A} \right]^{1/2} . \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Parametric Amplifier} \\ \underline{\text{Gain coefficient.}} \end{array}$$

# Parametric Oscillation.

## Gain + Feedback.



To determine oscillation gain = loss. Losses not in the coupled wave equations.

We include the losses phenomenologically:

$$\frac{da_1}{dz} = -\frac{\alpha_1}{2} a_1 - j \frac{\gamma}{2} a_1^*$$

$$\frac{da_2}{dz} = -\frac{\alpha_2}{2} a_2 - j \frac{\gamma}{2} a_1^*$$

$\alpha_1, \alpha_2$  - power attenuation coefficients for signal and idler waves. (represent scattering and absorption losses in the medium and losses at mirrors of the resonator distributed along the length of the cavity).  
for  $\gamma = 0$  (no coupling).

$$a_1(z) = \exp\left(-\frac{\alpha_1 z}{2}\right) a_1(0)$$

$$\phi_1(z) = \exp\left(-\alpha_1 z\right) \phi_1(0)$$

photom flux decays at a rate  $\alpha$

Steady state solution:

$$0 = \alpha_1 a_1 + j \gamma a_2^*$$

$$0 = \alpha_2 a_2 + j \gamma a_1^*$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha_2} = -\frac{j\gamma}{\alpha_1} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha_2} = \frac{\alpha_2}{j\gamma} \quad (\text{conjugate eq. #28.4})$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{j\gamma}{\alpha_1} = \frac{\alpha_2}{j\gamma}$$

or  $\gamma^2 = \alpha_1 \alpha_2$ .

If  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \alpha$ , condition for oscillation becomes.

$$\gamma = \alpha. \quad (\text{gain} = \text{loss}).$$

$$\text{Since } \gamma = 2g\alpha_3(0) \Rightarrow \alpha_3(0) \geq \frac{\alpha}{2g} \quad \phi_3(0) \geq \frac{\alpha^2}{4g^2}$$

$$g = (2\hbar\omega_1\omega_2\omega_3\eta^3 d^2)^{1/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_3(0) \geq \frac{\alpha^2}{8\hbar\omega_1\omega_2\omega_3\eta^3 d^2}$$

$$I_3(0) = \hbar\omega_3 \phi_3(0) \geq \frac{\alpha^2 \eta^3}{8\omega_1\omega_2\eta_0^2 d^2}$$

Parametric Oscillation  
Threshold pump intensity

Requires phase matching  $n_1\omega_1 + n_2\omega_2 = n_3\omega_3$ .  
and frequency matching  $\omega_1 + \omega_2 = \omega_3$

Dispersive medium  $\Rightarrow \underbrace{n_1(\omega_1), n_2(\omega_2)}_{\text{function}}, n_3(\omega_3)$   
frequency.

$\rightarrow$  Tuning accomplished by changing refractive indices.  
(temperature tuning or angle tuning).

# Coupled Wave Theory of Four-Wave Mixing.

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Four waves:  $E(t) = \sum_{g=1,2,3,4} \operatorname{Re}[E_g \exp(j\omega_g t)]$

$$= \sum_{g=\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4} \frac{1}{2} E_g \exp(j\omega_g t). \quad \text{with the same definite.}$$
 $E_g = E_g^* \quad \omega_g = -\omega_g$

Nonlinear Polarization density

$P_{NL} = 4 \chi^{(3)} E^3$

$S = -\mu_0 \frac{\partial^2 P_{NL}}{\partial t^2}$

$\underline{8^3 = 512 \text{ terms!}}$

$S = \frac{1}{2} \mu_0 \chi^{(3)} \sum_{g,p,r=\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4} (w_g + w_p + w_r)^2 E_g E_p E_r \exp[j(w_g + w_p + w_r)t]$

$w_1, w_2, w_3, w_4$  - four frequencies

Helmholtz equations

$(\nabla^2 + k_g^2) E_g = -S_g \quad g = 1, 2, 3, 4.$

$S_g$  is the amplitude of the component of  $S$  at frequency  $\omega_g$ .

Again, for the waves to be coupled if frequencies commensurate:

$\text{eg. } w_3 + w_4 = w_1 + w_2$

3 Waves combine to generate a fourth wave.

Using  $w_3 + w_4 = w_1 + w_2$  in  $S$  term.

$$S_1 = \mu_0 \omega_1^2 \chi^{(3)} \left\{ 6E_3 E_4 \bar{E}_2^* + 3E_1 [ |E_1|^2 + 2|E_2|^2 + 2|E_3|^2 + 2|E_4|^2 ] \right\}$$

$$S_2 = \mu_0 \omega_2^2 \chi^{(3)} \left\{ 6\bar{E}_3 \bar{E}_4 \bar{E}_1^* + 3\bar{E}_2 [ |\bar{E}_2|^2 + 2|\bar{E}_1|^2 + 2|\bar{E}_3|^2 + 2|\bar{E}_4|^2 ] \right\}$$

$$S_3 = \mu_0 \omega_3^2 \chi^{(3)} \left\{ 6E_1 E_2 \bar{E}_3^* + 3\bar{E}_3 [ |E_3|^2 + 2|E_2|^2 + 2|E_1|^2 + 2|E_4|^2 ] \right\}$$

$$S_4 = \mu_0 \omega_4^2 \chi^{(3)} \left\{ 6\bar{E}_1 \bar{E}_2 \bar{E}_3^* + 3E_4 [ |\bar{E}_4|^2 + 2|\bar{E}_1|^2 + 2|\bar{E}_2|^2 + 2|\bar{E}_3|^2 ] \right\}$$

1st term    2nd term  
 mixing of other 3 waves    proportional to complex amplitude  
 of the wave itself.  
 (represents optical Kerr Effect).

We write this in a short-hand notation:

$$S_q = \overline{S}_q + (\omega_q/c_0)^2 \Delta X_q E_q \quad q = 1, 2, 3, 4$$

here

$$\overline{S}_1 = 6\mu_0 \omega_1^2 \chi^{(3)} \bar{E}_3 E_4 \bar{E}_2^*$$

$$\overline{S}_2 = 6\mu_0 \omega_2^2 \chi^{(3)} \bar{E}_3 \bar{E}_4 \bar{E}_1^*$$

$$\overline{S}_3 = 6\mu_0 \omega_3^2 \chi^{(3)} E_1 E_2 \bar{E}_4^*$$

$$\overline{S}_4 = 6\mu_0 \omega_4^2 \chi^{(3)} \bar{E}_1 \bar{E}_2 \bar{E}_3^*$$

$$\text{and } \Delta X_q = \frac{6\eta}{c_0} \chi^{(3)} (2I - I_q) \quad q = 1, 2, 3, 4.$$

$$I_q = \frac{|E_q|^2}{2\eta} \quad I = I_1 + I_2 + I_3 + I_4 = \text{total intensity}$$

$\eta$  - impedance of the medium.

$$\text{Helmholtz Eqn. } (\nabla^2 + k_g^2) \vec{E}_g = -\vec{S}_g \quad g=1, 2, 3, 4$$

where  $k_g = \bar{n}_g \frac{\omega_g}{C_0}$

$$\text{and } \bar{n}_g = \left[ n^2 + \frac{6\eta}{\epsilon_0} \chi^{(3)} (2I - I_g) \right]^{1/2} = n \left[ 1 + \frac{6\eta}{\epsilon_0 n^2} \chi^{(3)} (2I - I_g) \right]^{1/2}$$

$$\approx n \left[ 1 + \frac{3\eta}{\epsilon_0 n^2} \chi^{(3)} (2I - I_g) \right]$$

from which:

$$\bar{n}_g = n + n_z (2I - I_g) \quad n_z = \frac{3\eta_0}{\epsilon_0 n^2} \chi^{(3)}$$

Helmholtz eqn modified:

- ① source represents other 3 waves is present.  
→ amplification of wave or the emission of a new wave
- ② refractive index for each wave is altered, becomes a function of the intensities of the four waves.

Four coupled differential eqns - solved under appropriate boundary conditions

### Degenerate Four-Wave Mixing

$$\omega_1 = \omega_2 = \omega_3 = \omega_4 = \omega$$

Waves 3 & 4 - called the pump waves: plane waves propagating in opposite directions.

$$E_3(\vec{r}) = A_3 \exp(-jR_3 \cdot \vec{r}) \quad E_4(\vec{r}) = A_4 \exp(-jR_4 \cdot \vec{r})$$

$$\vec{R}_4 = -\vec{R}_3$$

$A_3, A_4 \gg A_1, A_2 \Rightarrow$  assume  $A_3$  &  $A_4$  are constant.

Total intensity is a constant

$$I \approx \frac{|A_3|^2 + |A_4|^2}{2n}$$

$$2I - I_1 \text{ and } 2I - I_2 \approx 2I \Rightarrow \bar{n}g = n \left[ 1 + \frac{3\eta}{\epsilon_0 n^2} \chi^{(3)} 2I \right] = \text{constant}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Optical Kerr Effect results in a constant change in index.

With these assumptions, problem reduced to two coupled waves, 1 & 2

$$(\nabla^2 + k^2) E_1 = -\xi E_2^*$$

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$$\text{where } \xi = 6\mu_0 \omega^2 \chi^{(3)} E_3 E_4 = 6\mu_0 \omega^2 \chi^{(3)} A_3 A_4.$$

And  $k = \frac{\bar{n}\omega}{c_0}$  where  $\bar{n} \approx n + 2n_z I$  is a constant.

Four coupled differential equations have been reduced to two linear coupled equations  $\Rightarrow$  Helmholtz eqn with a source term.

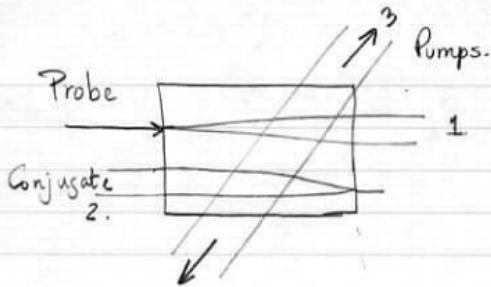
Source of wave 1 proportional to the conjugate of the complex conjugate of the complex amplitude of wave 2, and similarly for wave 2.

Phase conjugation.

If Waves 1 and 2 are also plane waves propagating in opposite directions along the  $z$  axis:

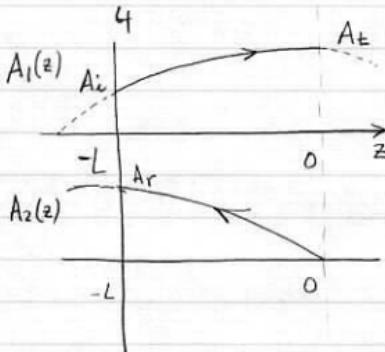
$$E_1 = A_1 \exp(-jkz); \quad E_2 = A_2 \exp(+jkz)$$

$$\Rightarrow k_1 + k_2 = k_3 + k_4.$$

SVEA.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dA_1}{dz} = -j\gamma A_2^*$$

$$\frac{dA_2}{dz} = j\gamma A_1^*$$



$$\gamma = \frac{\omega}{2k} = \frac{3\omega\pi}{\eta} \chi^{(3)} A_3 A_4$$

For simplicity: Assume  $A_3 A_4$  is real,  $\Rightarrow \gamma$  is real

Solutions: two harmonic functions  $A_1(z)$  and  $A_2(z)$  with a  $90^\circ$  phase shift between them

Assume  $A_1(-L) = Ai$  at entrance plane.

$$A_2(0) = 0$$

Under these boundary conditions  $A_1(z) = \frac{Ai}{\cos\gamma z} \cos\gamma z$

$$A_2(z) = j \frac{Ai^*}{\cos\gamma L} \sin\gamma z$$

Reflected wave at the entrance plane,  $A_r = A_2(-L)$ , is

$$A_r = -j A_i^* \tan\gamma L$$

Amplitude of the transmitted wave,  $A_t = A_i(0)$ , is

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$$A_t = \frac{A_i}{\cos \gamma L}$$

### Number of Applications

- ① Reflected wave is a conjugated version of the incident wave. The device acts as a phase conjugator.
- ② Intensity reflectance,  $|A_r|^2 / |A_i|^2 = \tan^2 \gamma L$  may be smaller or greater than 1. corresponding to attenuation or gain. Medium can be a reflection amplifier. (amplifying mirror)
- ③ Transmittance  $\frac{|A_t|^2}{|A_i|^2} = \frac{1}{\cos^2 \gamma L}$  is greater than 1.  
 $\Rightarrow$  transmission amplifier.
- ④ If  $\gamma L = \frac{\pi}{2}$ , or odd multiples thereof, the reflectance and transmittance are infinite  
 $\Rightarrow$  instability  $\Rightarrow$  oscillator.

### Anisotropic Nonlinear Media

$$\mathbf{P} = (P_1, P_2, P_3)$$

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$$P_i = \epsilon_0 \sum_j \chi_{ij} E_j + 2 \sum_{jk} d_{ijk} E_j E_k + 4 \sum_{jkl} \chi^{(3)}_{ijke} E_j E_k E_l$$
$$i, j, k, l = 1, 2, 3.$$

$\chi_{ij}$ ,  $d_{ijk}$ ,  $\chi^{(3)}_{ijke}$  are elements of tensors  
 $\chi$ ,  $d$ ,  $\chi^{(3)}$  anisotropic media.

Symmetries: Coefficient  $d_{ijk}$  multiplies  $E_j E_k \Rightarrow$  must be invariant to exchange of  $j \neq k$ . 91

$X_{ijk}^{(3)}$  invariant to any permutations of  $j, k$ , and  $l$ .

$P_i = \epsilon_0 \sum_j X_{ij}^e E_j$  where  $X_{ij}^e$  is the effective (field-dependent) tensor.

$X_{ij}^e$  - invariant to exchange of  $i$  and  $j$

$X_{ij}, d_{ijk}$ , and  $X_{ijke}$ : invariant to exchange of  $i$  and  $j$

$\Rightarrow$  3 tensors invariant to any permutations of their indices.

Use the same contraction notation as w/ Pockels and Kerr tensors  $r_{ijk} \rightarrow r_{ik}$  and  $s_{ijke} \rightarrow s_{ik}$ .

Symmetries of  $d_{ik}$  and  $X_{ik}^{(3)}$  same as  $r_{ik} \notin S_{ik}$ .

See Table (pg 780) attached.

Three-wave Mixing in Anisotropic Second-Order Nonlinear Media.

Suppose  $E(t) = \sum_{g=\pm 1, \pm 2} E_g \exp(j\omega_g t)$ .  $\omega_3 = \omega_1 + \omega_2$ .

$$P_i(\omega_3) = 2 \sum_j d_{ijk} E_j(\omega_1) E_k(\omega_2) \quad j, k = 1, 2, 3.$$

$E_j(\omega_1)$ ,  $E_k(\omega_2)$  and  $P_i(\omega_3)$  are components of these vectors along the principal axes of the crystal.