

**PHY 712 Electrodynamics**  
**10-10:50 AM MWF Olin 107**

**Plan for Lecture 33:**

**Special Topics in Electrodynamics:**

- 1. Electromagnetic aspects of superconductivity – continued**
- 2. Review – reflection and refraction**

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Mon: 03/10/2014	Spring break				
Wed: 03/12/2014	Spring Break				
Fri: 03/14/2014	Spring Break				
19 Mon: 03/17/2014	Chap. 8	Wave guides, Take-home exam due	#18	3/21/2014	
20 Wed: 03/19/2014	Chap. 9	Sources of Electromagnetic Waves	#19	3/21/2014	
21 Fri: 03/21/2014	Chap. 9	Sources of Electromagnetic Waves	#20	3/28/2014	
22 Mon: 03/24/2014	Chap. 11	Special Theory of Relativity	#21	3/28/2014	
23 Wed: 03/26/2014	Chap. 11	Special Theory of Relativity	#22	3/28/2014	
24 Fri: 03/28/2014	Chap. 11	Special Theory of Relativity	#23	4/04/2014	
25 Mon: 03/31/2014	Chap. 14	Radiation from moving charges	#24	4/04/2014	
26 Wed: 04/02/2014	Chap. 14	Radiation from moving charges	#25	4/04/2014	
27 Fri: 04/04/2014	Chap. 14	Radiation from moving charges	#26	4/11/2014	
28 Mon: 04/07/2014	Chap. 14	Radiation from moving charges	#27	4/11/2014	
29 Wed: 04/09/2014	Chap. 15	Radiation due to collision processes	#28	4/16/2014	
30 Fri: 04/11/2014	Chap. 13	Cherenkov radiation	#29	4/16/2014	
31 Mon: 04/14/2014		Special topic – E&M of superconductivity			
32 Wed: 04/16/2014		Special topic – E&M of superconductivity			
Fri: 04/18/2014		Good Friday Holiday – no class			
33 Mon: 04/21/2014		Special topics and review			
34 Wed: 04/23/2014		Special topics and review			
35 Fri: 04/25/2014		Special topics and review			
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Josephson junction -- tunneling current between two superconductors

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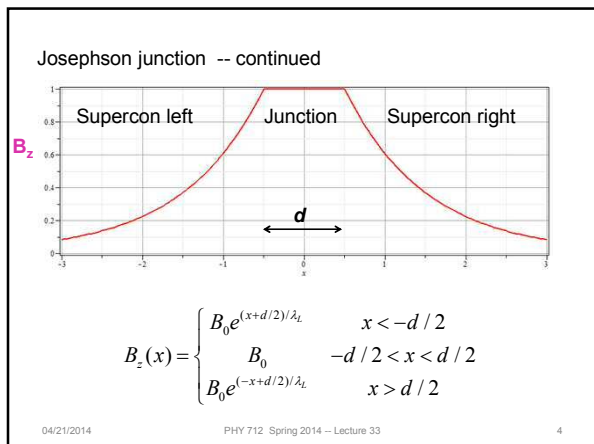
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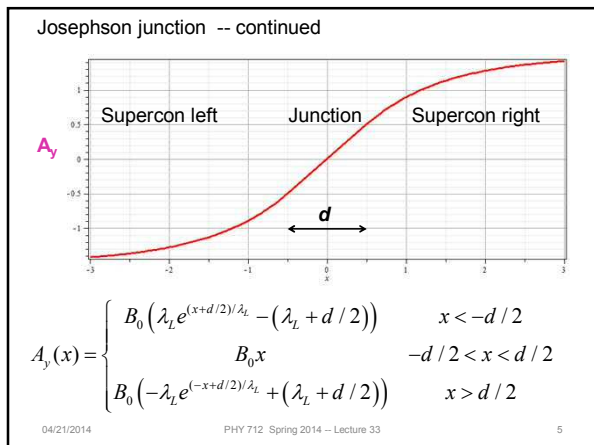
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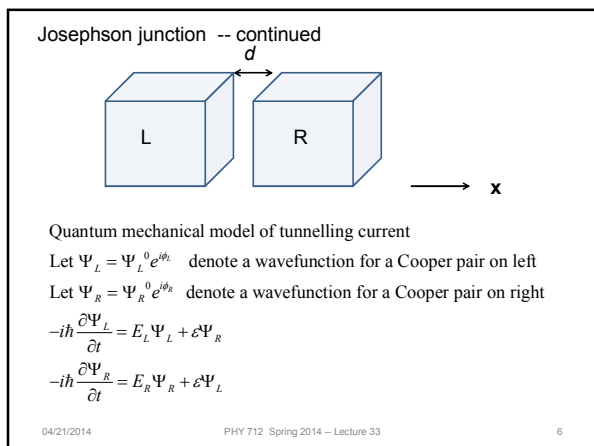
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Josephson junction -- continued

Solving for wavefunctions

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial |\Psi_L^0|^2}{\partial t} + i |\Psi_L^0|^2 \frac{\partial \phi_L}{\partial t} = -\frac{i}{\hbar} (E_L |\Psi_L^0|^2 + \varepsilon \Psi_L^0 \Psi_R^0 e^{i(\phi_R - \phi_L)})$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial |\Psi_R^0|^2}{\partial t} + i |\Psi_R^0|^2 \frac{\partial \phi_R}{\partial t} = -\frac{i}{\hbar} (E_R |\Psi_R^0|^2 + \varepsilon \Psi_L^0 \Psi_R^0 e^{-i(\phi_R - \phi_L)})$$

$$|\Psi_L^0|^2 \equiv n_L \quad |\Psi_R^0|^2 \equiv n_R \quad \phi_{LR} \equiv \phi_L - \phi_R$$

$$\frac{\partial n_L}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial n_R}{\partial t} = -\frac{2\varepsilon}{\hbar} \sqrt{(n_L n_R)} \sin \phi_{LR}$$

$$\frac{\partial \phi_L}{\partial t} = -\frac{E_L}{\hbar} - \varepsilon \sqrt{\frac{n_R}{n_L}} \cos \phi_{LR}$$

$$\frac{\partial \phi_R}{\partial t} = -\frac{E_R}{\hbar} - \varepsilon \sqrt{\frac{n_L}{n_R}} \cos \phi_{LR}$$

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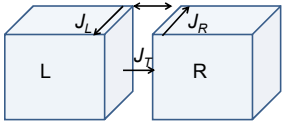
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Josephson junction -- continued

Tunneling current:  $J_T = 2e \frac{\partial n_L}{\partial t} = -\frac{4e\varepsilon}{\hbar} \sqrt{(n_L n_R)} \sin \phi_{LR} \equiv -J_{T0} \sin \phi_{LR}$

If  $n_L = n_R$  and in absence of magnetic field,  $\phi_{LR}(t) = \phi_{LR}(0) + \frac{E_R - E_L}{\hbar} t$



$$\Rightarrow J_L = \frac{2e}{2m} |\Psi_L^0|^2 \left( \hbar \nabla \phi_L - \frac{2e}{c} \mathbf{A} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow J_R = \frac{2e}{2m} |\Psi_R^0|^2 \left( \hbar \nabla \phi_R - \frac{2e}{c} \mathbf{A} \right)$$

Relationship between superconductor currents  $J_L$  and  $J_R$  and tunneling current. Within the superconductor, denote the generalize current operator acting on pair wavefunction  $\Psi = \Psi^0 e^{i\phi}$

$$\hat{v} \equiv \frac{1}{2m} \left( -i\hbar \nabla - \frac{2e}{c} \mathbf{A} \right) \quad \text{with current } J = \frac{2e}{2} (\Psi^\dagger (\hat{v}\Psi) + \Psi (\hat{v}\Psi)^\dagger)$$

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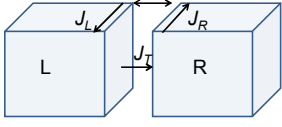
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Josephson junction -- continued



$$\Rightarrow J_L = \frac{2e}{2m} |\Psi_L^0|^2 \left( \hbar \nabla \phi_L - \frac{2e}{c} \mathbf{A} \right) \equiv 2en_L \mathbf{v}_L$$

$$\Rightarrow J_R = \frac{2e}{2m} |\Psi_R^0|^2 \left( \hbar \nabla \phi_R - \frac{2e}{c} \mathbf{A} \right) \equiv 2en_R \mathbf{v}_R$$

$$\nabla \phi_L = \frac{2m\mathbf{v}_L}{\hbar} + \frac{2e}{\hbar c} \mathbf{A} \quad \nabla \phi_R = \frac{2m\mathbf{v}_R}{\hbar} + \frac{2e}{\hbar c} \mathbf{A}$$

Tunneling current:  $J_T = 2e \frac{\partial n_L}{\partial t} = -J_{T0} \sin \phi_{LR}$

Need to evaluate  $\phi_{LR}$  in presence of magnetic field

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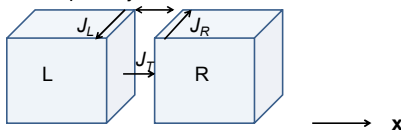
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Josephson junction -- continued



$$\nabla\phi_L = \frac{2m\mathbf{v}_L}{\hbar} + \frac{2e}{\hbar c}\mathbf{A} \quad \nabla\phi_R = \frac{2m\mathbf{v}_R}{\hbar} + \frac{2e}{\hbar c}\mathbf{A}$$

Recall that for  $x \rightarrow -\infty$   $\mathbf{v}_L \rightarrow 0$  and  $\mathbf{A} \rightarrow -(\lambda_L + d/2)B_0\hat{\mathbf{y}}$   
 for  $x \rightarrow \infty$   $\mathbf{v}_R \rightarrow 0$  and  $\mathbf{A} \rightarrow (\lambda_L + d/2)B_0\hat{\mathbf{y}}$

Integrating the difference of the phase angles along  $y$ :

$$\phi_{LR} = \phi_{LR}^0 - B_0(2\lambda_L + d)y$$

Tunneling current:  $J_T = -J_{T0} \sin \phi_{LR}$

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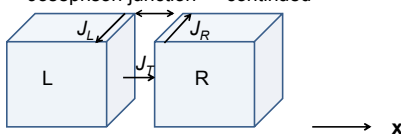
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Josephson junction -- continued



Integrating the difference of the phase angles along  $y$ :

$$\phi_{LR} = \phi_{LR}^0 + \frac{2e}{\hbar c}B_0(2\lambda_L + d)y$$

Tunneling current density:  $J_T = -J_{T0} \sin \phi_{LR}$

Integrating current density throughout width  $w$  and height  $h$ :

$$I_T = h \int_{-w/2}^{w/2} J_T dy = hwJ_{T0} \sin(\phi_{LR}^0) \frac{\sin(\pi\Phi / \Phi^0)}{\pi\Phi / \Phi^0}$$

where  $\Phi = B_0w(2\lambda_L + d)$  and  $\Phi^0 = \frac{2\pi\hbar c}{2e}$

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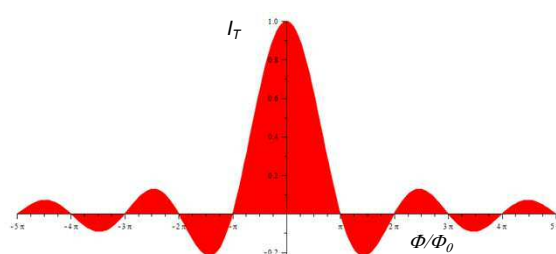
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Josephson junction -- continued

SQUID = superconducting quantum interference device



Note: This very sensitive "SQUID" technology has been used in scanning probe techniques. See for example, J. R. Kirtley, Rep. Prog. Physics 73, 126501 (2010).

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Review of reflection and refraction  
Consider the normal incidence case; 3 media

The diagram shows three vertical regions representing media with refractive indices  $n_1$  (blue),  $n_2$  (red), and  $n_3$  (green). In the  $n_1$  region, an incident electric field  $E_0$  points right, a reflected field  $E_{1R}$  points left, and a transmitted field  $E_{2T}$  points right. In the  $n_2$  region, a reflected field  $E_{2R}$  points left. In the  $n_3$  region, a transmitted field  $E_{3T}$  points right.

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Review of reflection and refraction -- continued  
Consider the normal incidence case; 3 media

The diagram is similar to the previous one, but the middle medium ( $n_2$ ) is highlighted with a bracket and labeled with thickness  $d$ .

Note that in this steady-state formulation, we must match the tangential components of the E and H fields at each boundary

Each plane wave component has the form:

$$\mathbf{E}_j(\mathbf{r}, t) = E_j \hat{\mathbf{y}} e^{i(\omega/c)(n_j x - ct)}$$

$$\mathbf{H}_j(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{n_j E_j}{\mu_j c} \hat{\mathbf{z}} e^{i(\omega/c)(n_j x - ct)} = \frac{n_j E_j}{\mu_0 c} \hat{\mathbf{z}} e^{i(\omega/c)(n_j x - ct)} \text{ in our case}$$

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Review of reflection and refraction -- continued  
Consider the normal incidence case; 3 media

The diagram is similar to the previous one, with the middle medium ( $n_2$ ) labeled with thickness  $d$ .

Matching equations:

$$E_0 + E_{1R} = E_2 + E_{2R}$$

$$\frac{n_1}{n_2}(E_0 - E_{1R}) = E_2 - E_{2R}$$

$$E_2 e^{i\theta} + E_{2R} e^{-i\theta} = E_3$$

$$\frac{n_2}{n_3}(E_2 e^{i\theta} - E_{2R} e^{-i\theta}) = E_3$$

Here:

$$\theta \equiv \frac{n_2 \omega d}{c}$$

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Review of reflection and refraction -- continued  
 Consider the normal incidence case; 3 media

After some algebra:

$$\mathcal{R} = \frac{\left(1 - \frac{n_2}{n_3}\right)^2 \left(1 + \frac{n_1}{n_2}\right)^2 + \left(1 + \frac{n_2}{n_3}\right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{n_1}{n_2}\right)^2 + 2 \left(1 - \frac{n_2}{n_3}\right) \left(1 - \frac{n_1}{n_2}\right)^2 \cos(2\theta)}{\left(1 - \frac{n_2}{n_3}\right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{n_1}{n_2}\right)^2 + \left(1 + \frac{n_2}{n_3}\right)^2 \left(1 + \frac{n_1}{n_2}\right)^2 + 2 \left(1 - \frac{n_2}{n_3}\right) \left(1 - \frac{n_1}{n_2}\right)^2 \cos(2\theta)}$$

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Review of reflection and refraction -- continued

$$\mathcal{R} = \frac{\left(1 - \frac{n_2}{n_3}\right)^2 \left(1 + \frac{n_1}{n_2}\right)^2 + \left(1 + \frac{n_2}{n_3}\right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{n_1}{n_2}\right)^2 + 2 \left(1 - \frac{n_2}{n_3}\right) \left(1 - \frac{n_1}{n_2}\right)^2 \cos(2\theta)}{\left(1 - \frac{n_2}{n_3}\right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{n_1}{n_2}\right)^2 + \left(1 + \frac{n_2}{n_3}\right)^2 \left(1 + \frac{n_1}{n_2}\right)^2 + 2 \left(1 - \frac{n_2}{n_3}\right) \left(1 - \frac{n_1}{n_2}\right)^2 \cos(2\theta)}$$

Condition for zero reflectance:

$$\left(1 - \frac{n_2}{n_3}\right)^2 \left(1 + \frac{n_1}{n_2}\right)^2 + \left(1 + \frac{n_2}{n_3}\right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{n_1}{n_2}\right)^2 + 2 \left(1 - \frac{n_2}{n_3}\right) \left(1 - \frac{n_1}{n_2}\right)^2 \cos(2\theta) = 0$$

$$\cos(2\theta) = -1 \Rightarrow \frac{2n_2 d}{c} = \frac{4\pi n_2 d}{\lambda} = (2\nu + 1)\pi \Rightarrow n_2 = (2\nu + 1) \frac{\lambda}{4d} \text{ also } n_2 = \sqrt{n_1 n_3}$$

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