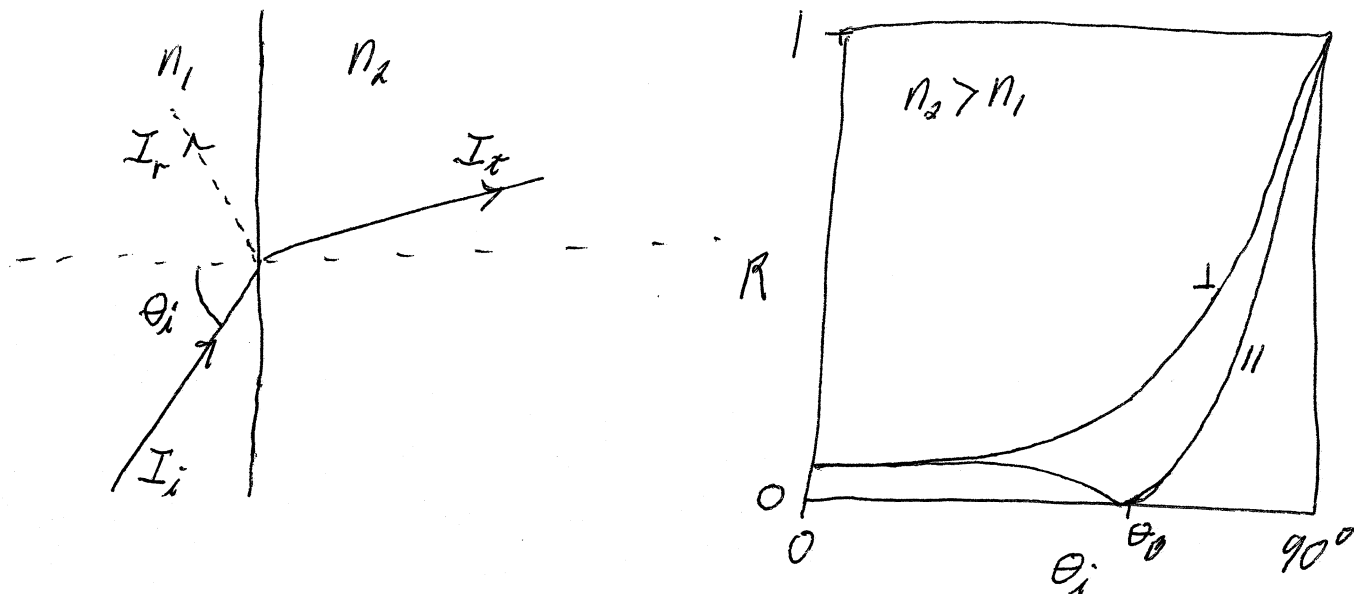
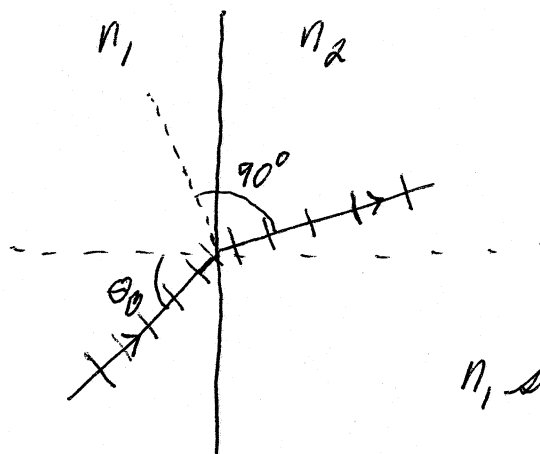


For non-normal incidence, use Fresnel Eq's --



Brewster's angle  $\theta_0$  : zero reflectivity for E || plane of incidence



oscillating dipoles do not radiate along axis

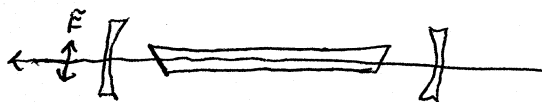
$$n_1 \sin \theta_1 = n_2 \sin \theta_2$$

$$\theta_1 + \theta_2 = 90^\circ$$

$$\text{so } \sin \theta_2 = \cos \theta_1$$

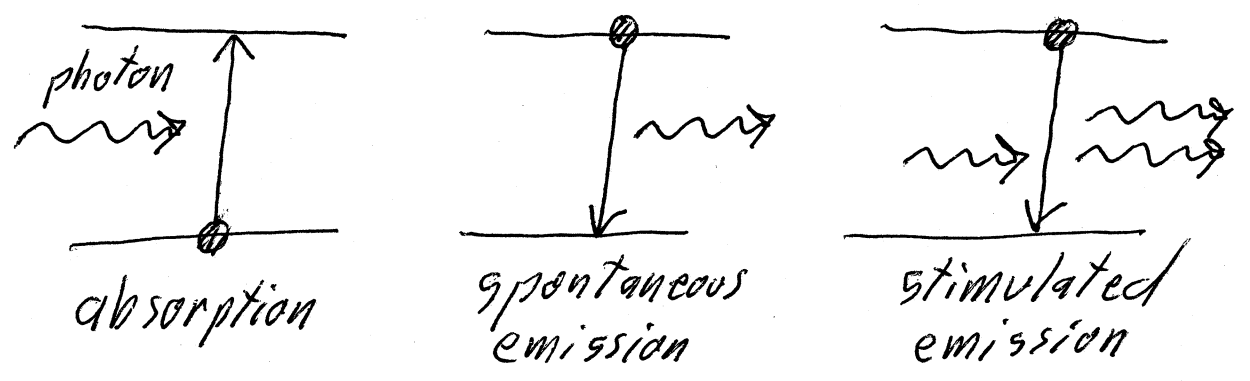
$$\text{and } n_1 \sin \theta_1 = n_2 \cos \theta_1$$

$$\boxed{\tan \theta_0 = n_2/n_1}$$



# Coherence of Laser Light

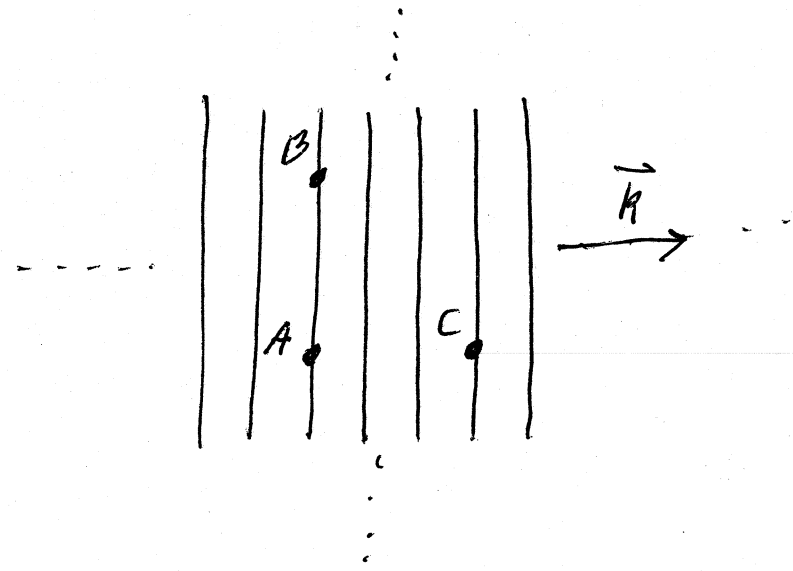
Arises from stimulated emission process:



"Optical clone" of original photon

Plane wave is perfectly coherent:

$$\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{E}_0 \cos(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)$$



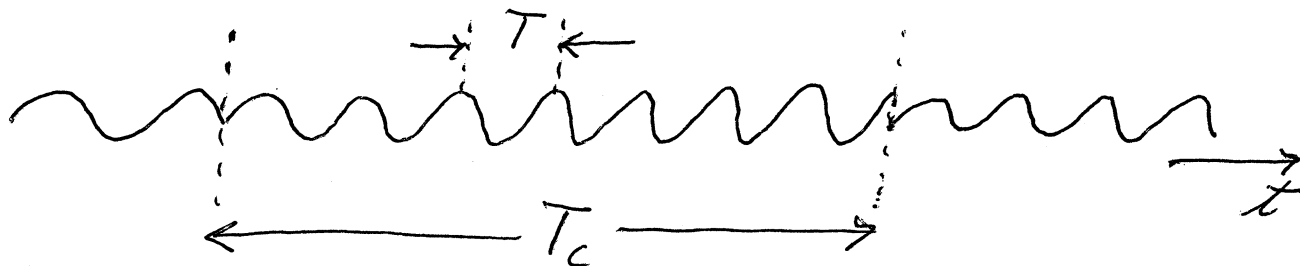
Fixed points  
A, B, C all  
have same phase  
at all times

Temporal coherence: A & C same phase

Spatial coherence: A & B same phase

Real light has finite coherence.

1) Temporal coherence time  $T_c$

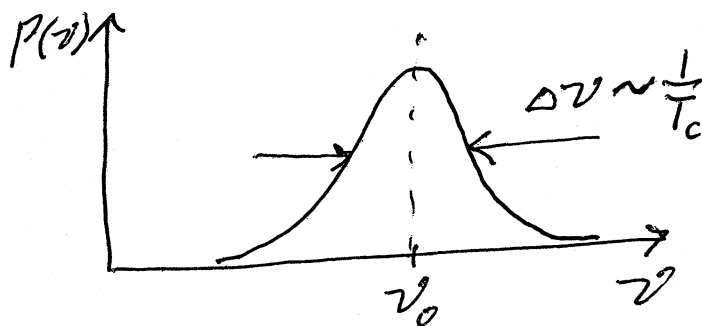


Longitudinal coherence length

$$L_c = c T_c$$

Power spectrum (power per frequency interval) for above, by Fourier transform:

$$\nu_0 = \frac{1}{T}$$



Or can use uncertainty principle for photon energy

$$\Delta E \Delta t \sim h$$

$$h \Delta \nu T_c \sim h$$

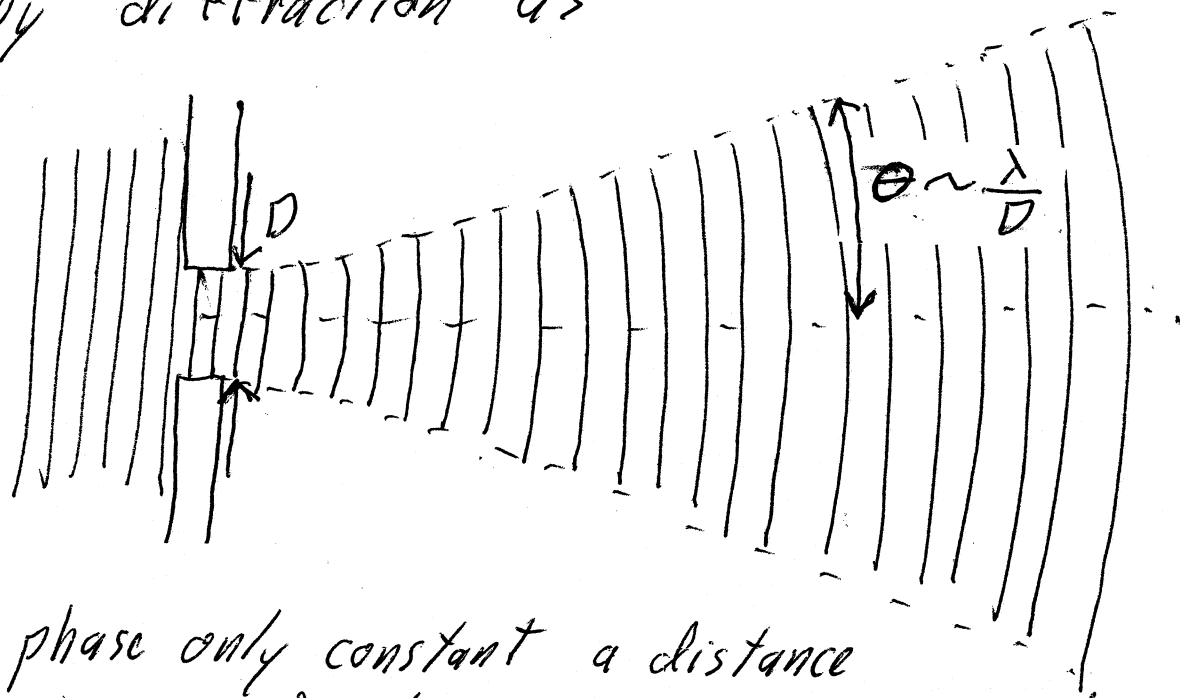
$$\Delta \nu \sim \frac{1}{T_c}$$

Light with  $T_c \gg T$ , or  $\Delta \nu \ll \nu_0$  is spectrally "pure" (single color) (monochromatic)

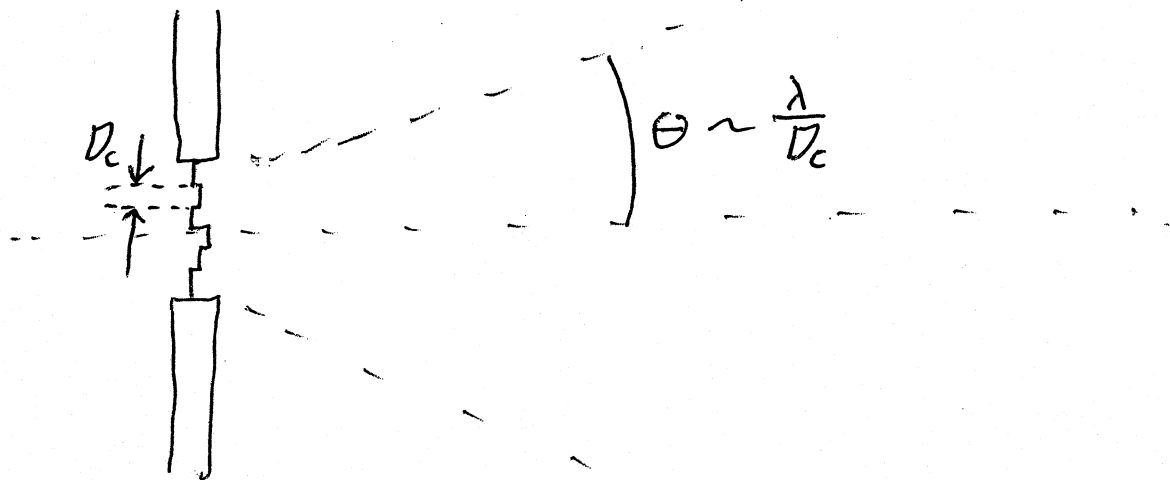
Temporal coherence important for interferometry applications such as holography.

## 2) Spatial coherence length $D_c$

Light that is perfectly coherent along the wavefronts ( $\perp \vec{k}$ ) spreads out by diffraction as



If phase only constant a distance  $D_c$  along wavefront,



Smaller  $D_c \rightarrow$  greater  $\theta$

When  $D_c > D$ , have minimum  $\theta$

Leads to directional property of laser light.

Example: He-Ne laser

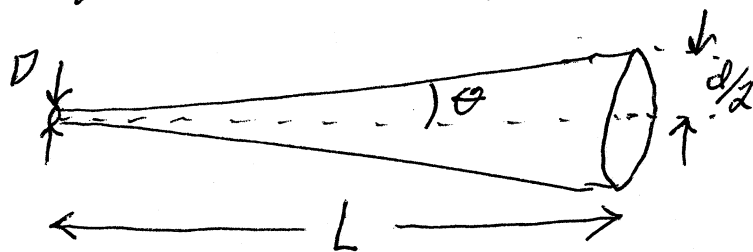
$$\lambda = 632.8 \text{ nm}$$

$$D \approx 1 \text{ mm}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \lambda = 632.8 \text{ nm} \\ D \approx 1 \text{ mm} \end{array} \right\} \theta \sim \frac{6 \cdot 10^{-7}}{10^{-3}} = 6 \cdot 10^{-4}$$

$$\theta \sim 0.034^\circ$$

After propagating 100 m, beam diameter is

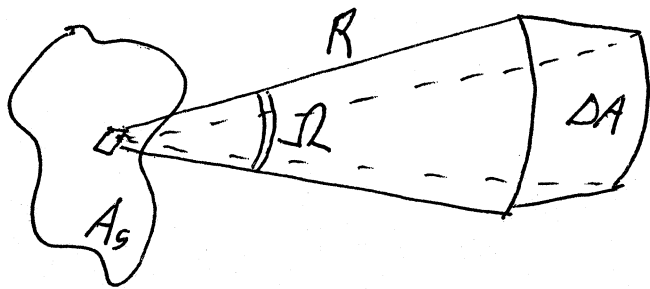


$$\frac{d}{2} = L \tan \theta \approx L \theta \sim L (6 \cdot 10^{-4})$$

$$d \approx (2)(100 \text{ m})(6 \cdot 10^{-4}) = 0.12 \text{ m}$$

$$\approx 12 \text{ cm}$$

Directionality gives rise to high Brightness



$$B \equiv \frac{P}{A_s \Omega}$$

$$\Omega \equiv \frac{\Delta A}{R^2} \quad \text{solid angle}$$