

# MAE 545 (Spring 2018)

## Special Topics - Lessons from Biology for Engineering Tiny Devices

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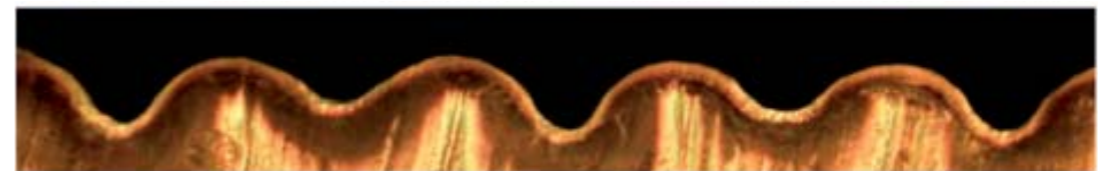
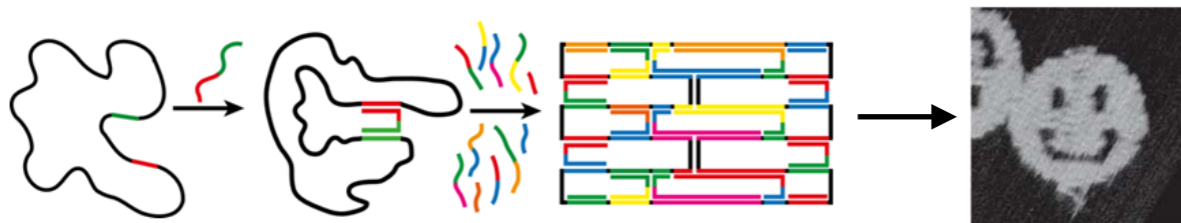
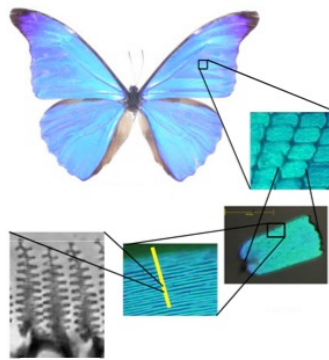
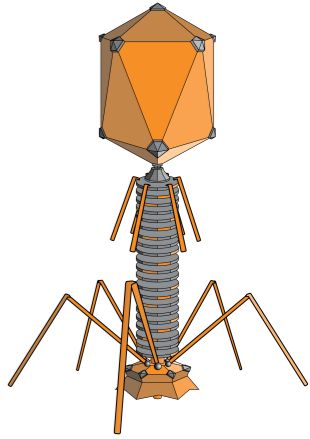
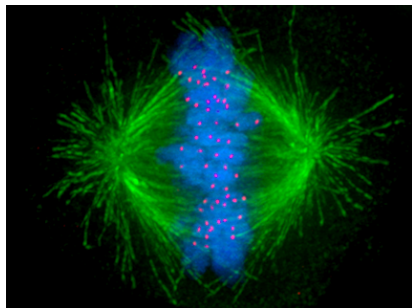
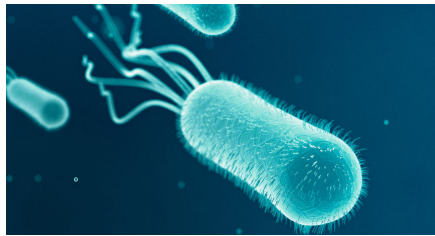
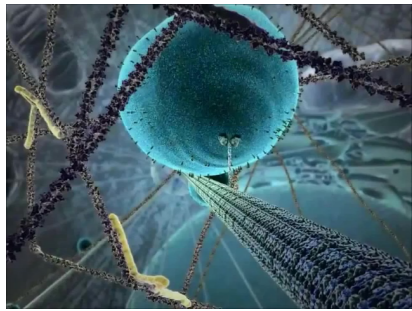
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Th 1:30-3:00 PM,  
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# Lecture Notes

- ✿ **text books: none**
- ✿ **lecture slides will be posted on Blackboard**

**<http://blackboard.princeton.edu>**

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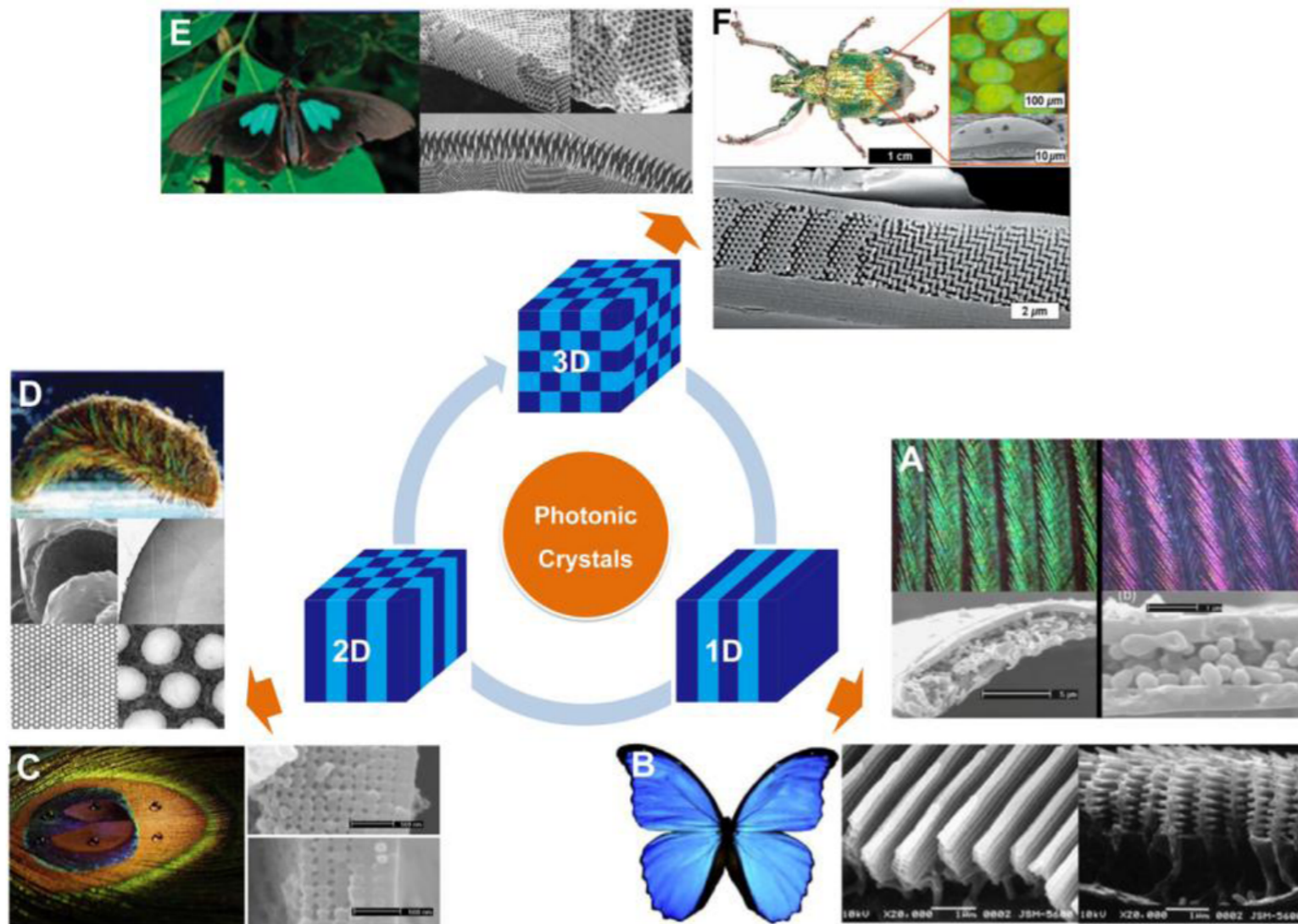
# Assignments

- ✿ **presentation of research paper in class**
- ✿ **final paper (final project)**

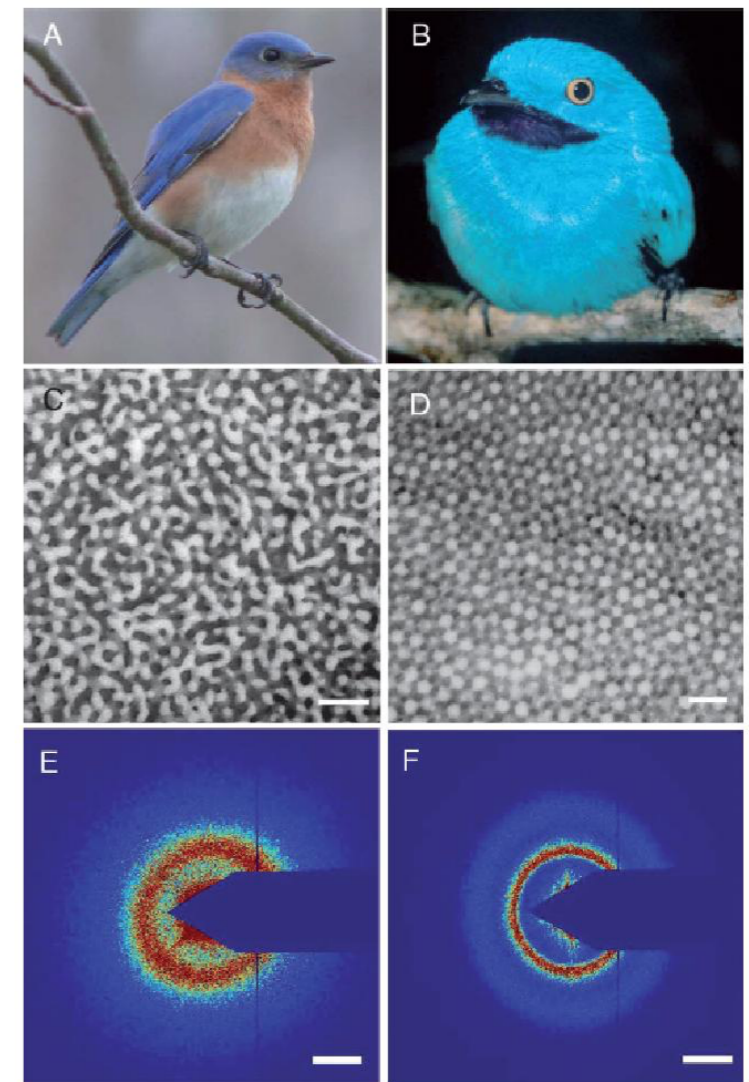
# Course overview

## Structural colors

Structural colors of animals and plants appear due to the selective reflection of ambient light on structural features underneath the surface.



H. Wang and K-Q. Zhang,  
Sensors 13, 4192 (2013)



V. Saranathan et al.,  
J. R. Soc. Interface 9, 2563 (2012)

# Wrinkling

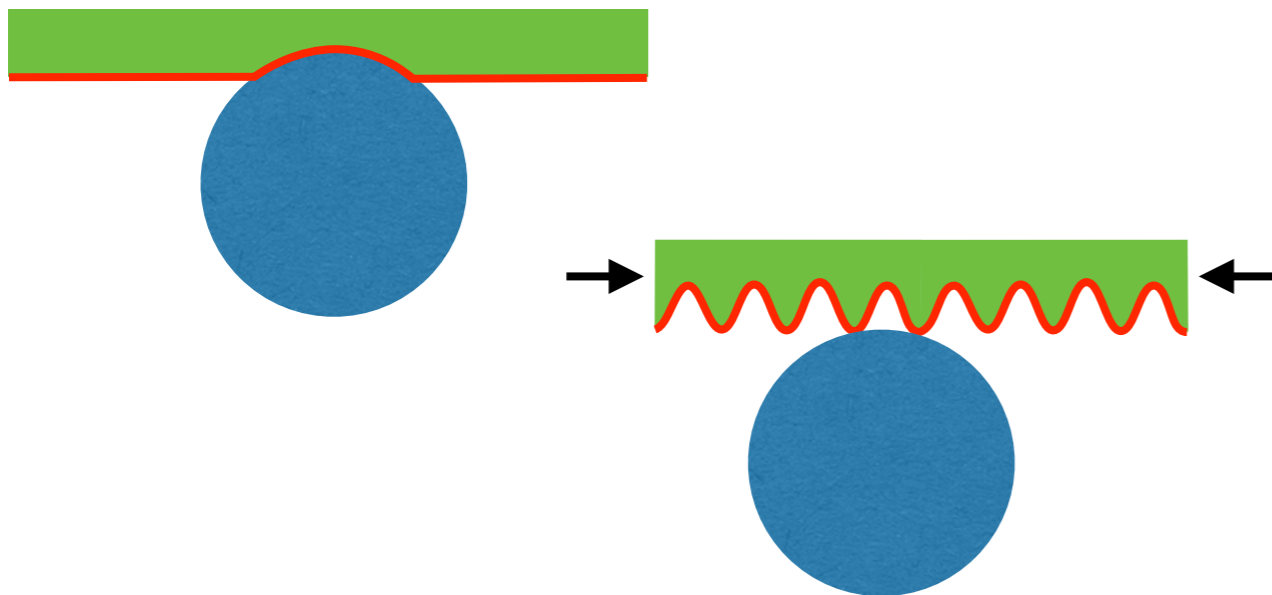


**Wrinkling of thin films on soft substrates can be used to make flexible electronics and to tune drag, adhesion and wetting.**

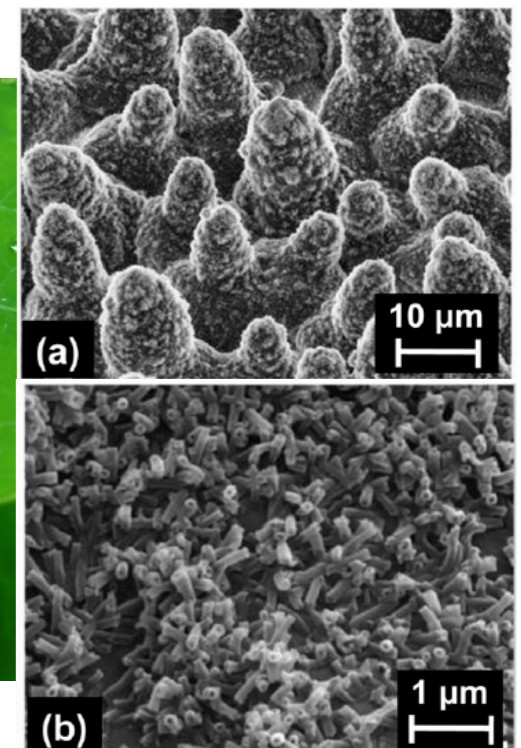
**Golf balls  
(reduced drag)**



**wrinkled surface effectively  
reduces adhesion**



**Lotus leaves (hydrophobic)**



# Growth and forms in nature

**Brain**



**Gut**



**Beaks**



**Leaf**



**Flower**



**Shells**



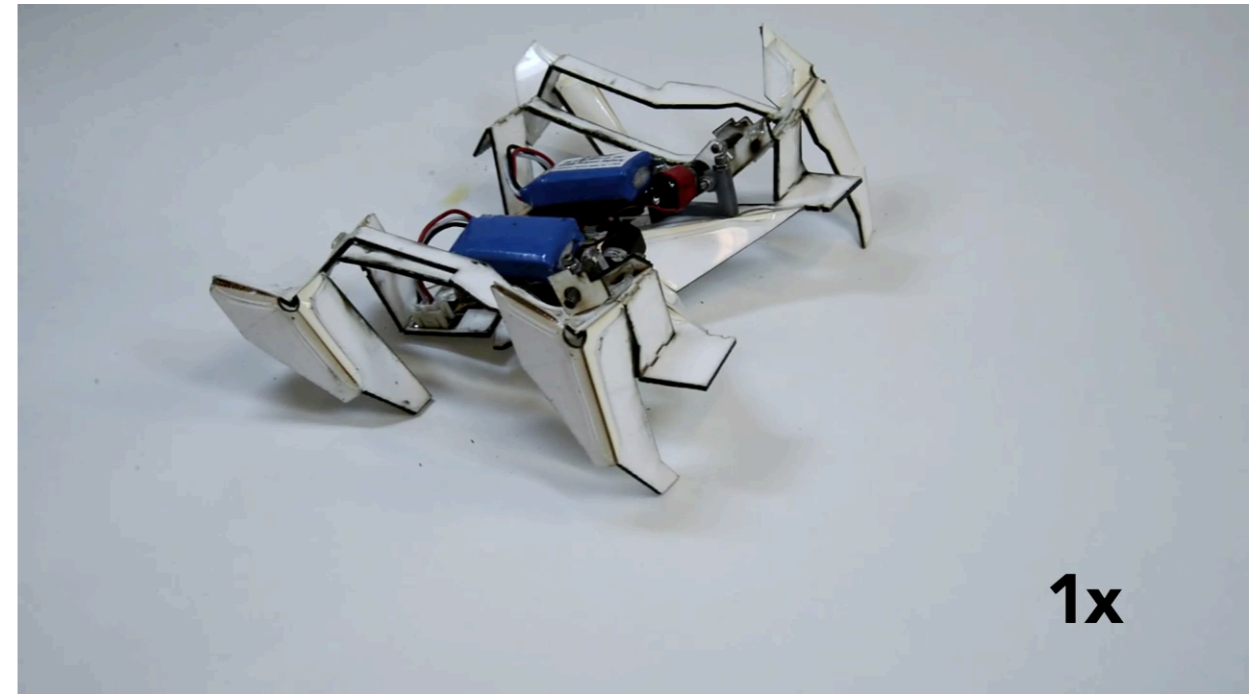
# From transformable shapes to self-folding robots

opening/closing of flowers



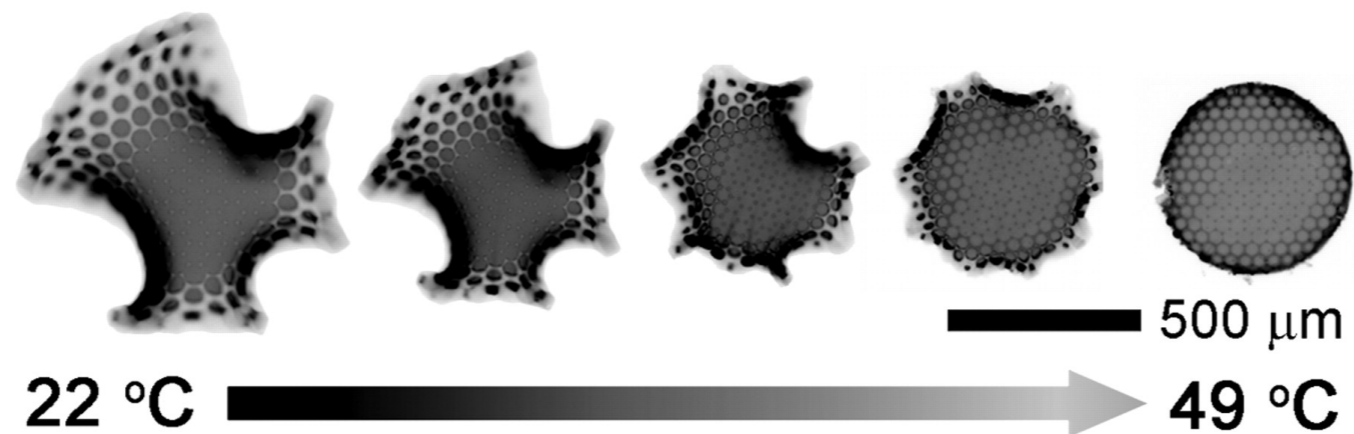
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self-folding robots

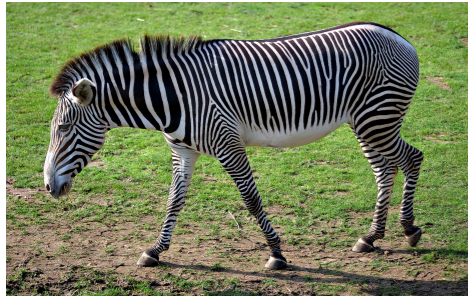


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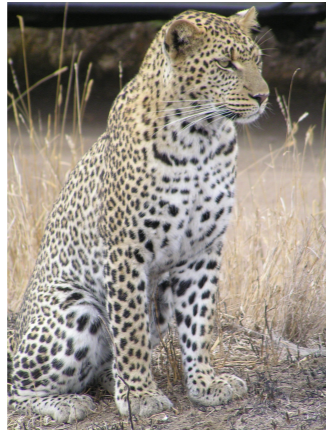
swelling of patterned gels



# Patterns in nature



**zebra**



**leopard**



**royal  
angelfish**



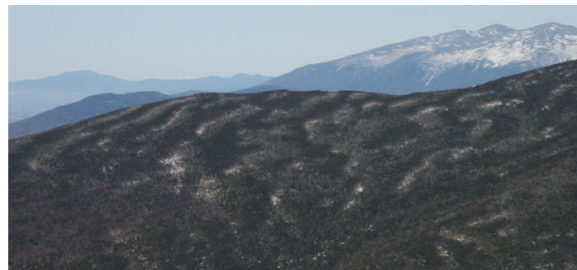
**peacock**



**giant  
pufferfish**



**tiger bush**



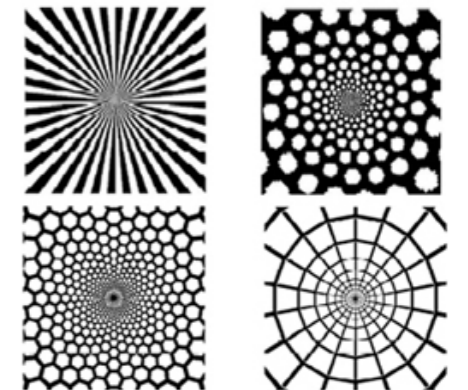
**fir waves**



**mussels**



**clouds**

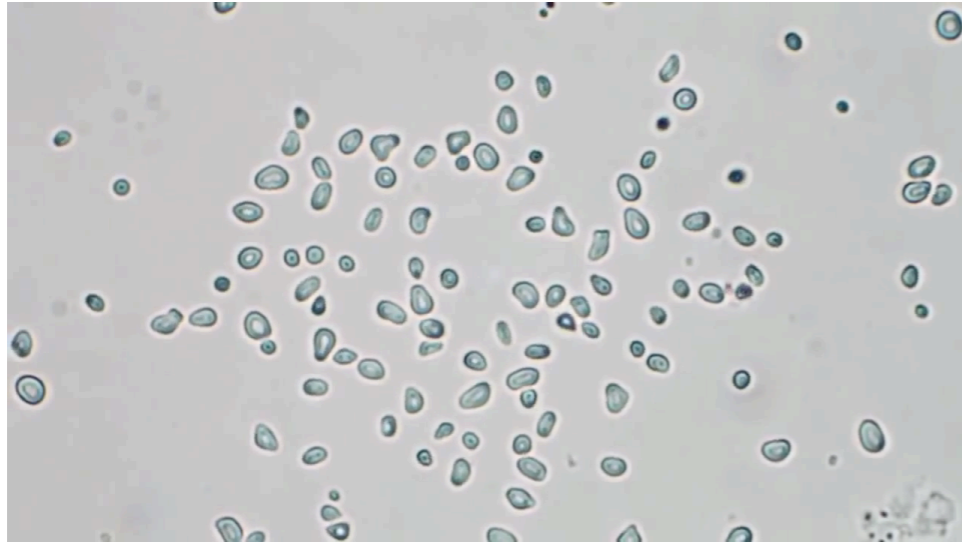


**hallucination  
patterns**

# Turing patterns

# Random walks and directed swimming

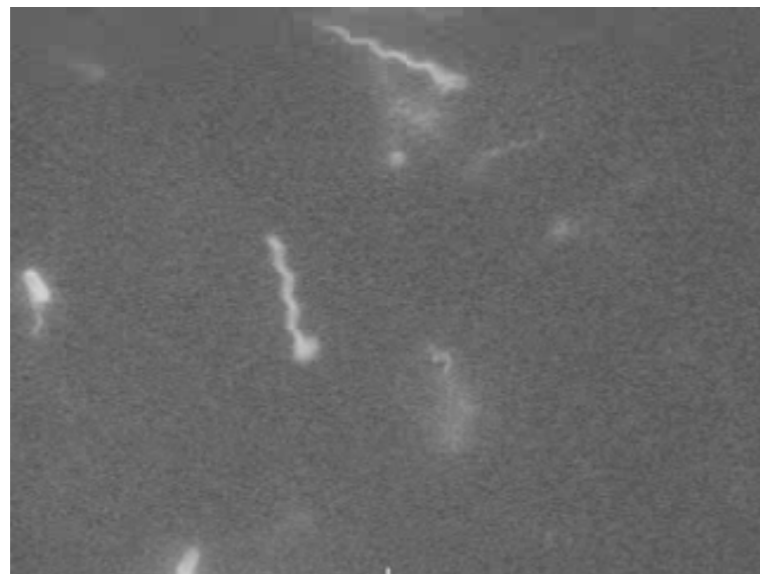
## Brownian motion



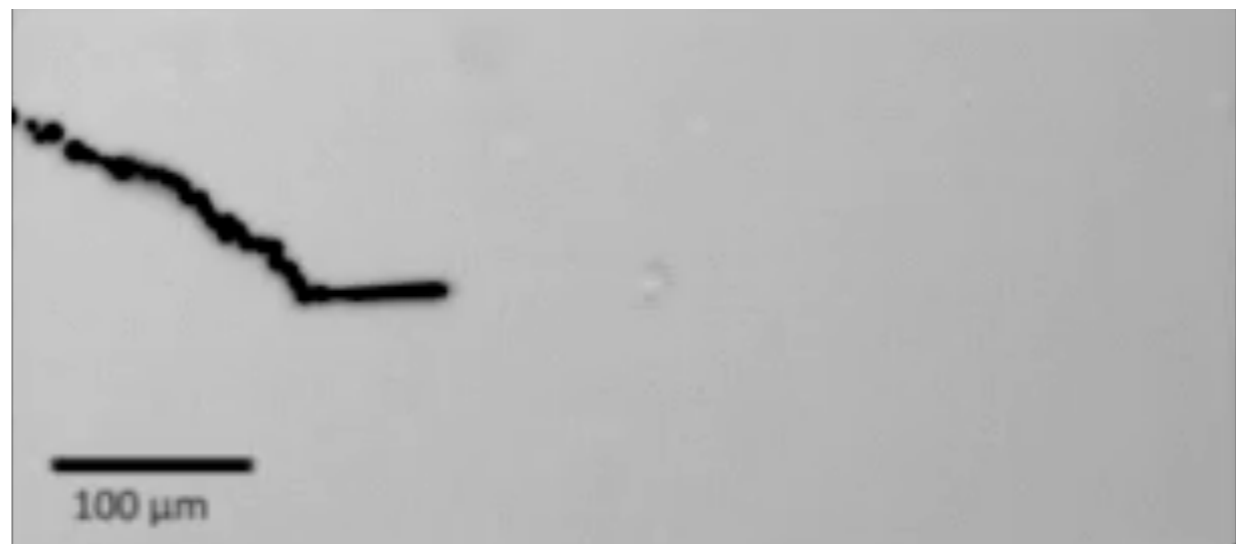
## Polymer random coils



## Swimming of E. coli



## Swimming of microrockets

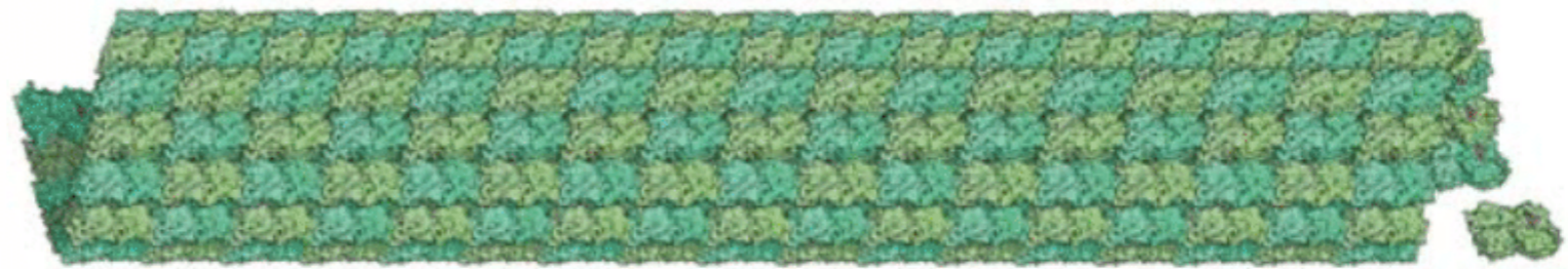


# Protein filaments and molecular motors

**Actin filament**

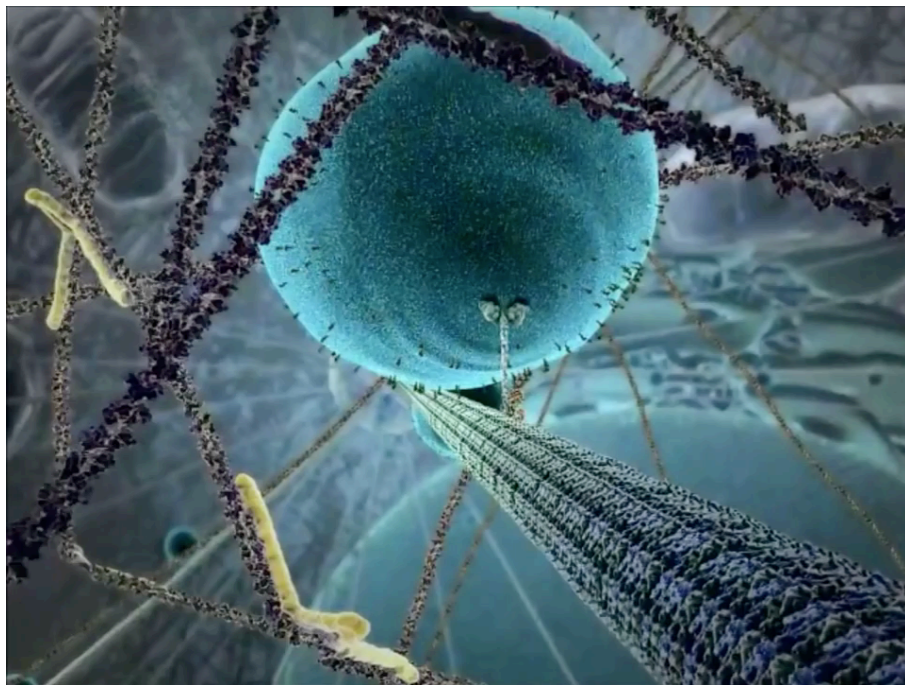


**Microtubule**

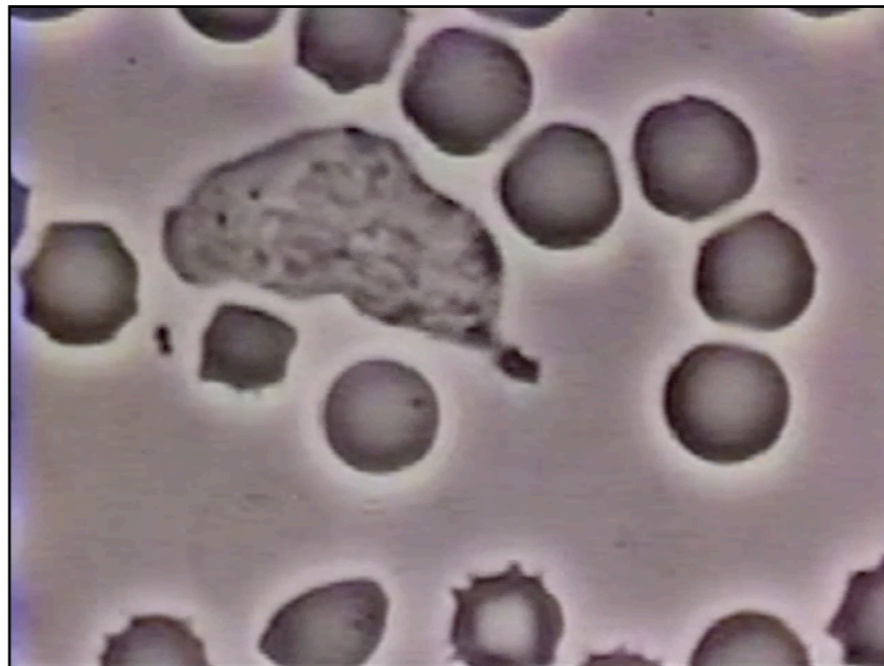


10 nm

**Cargo transport**



**Crawling of cells**



**Contraction of muscles**

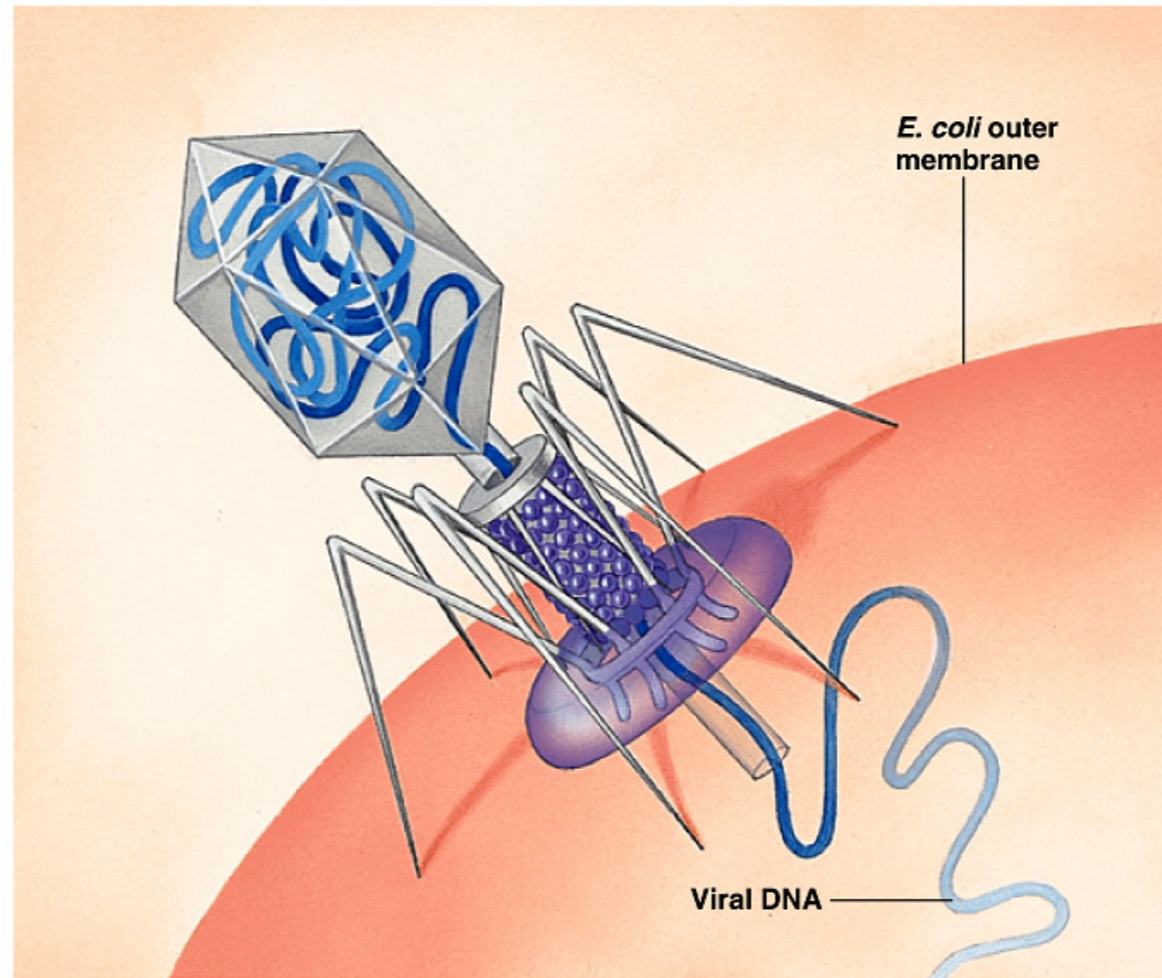


# Viruses and drug delivery

assembly of  
viral capsids

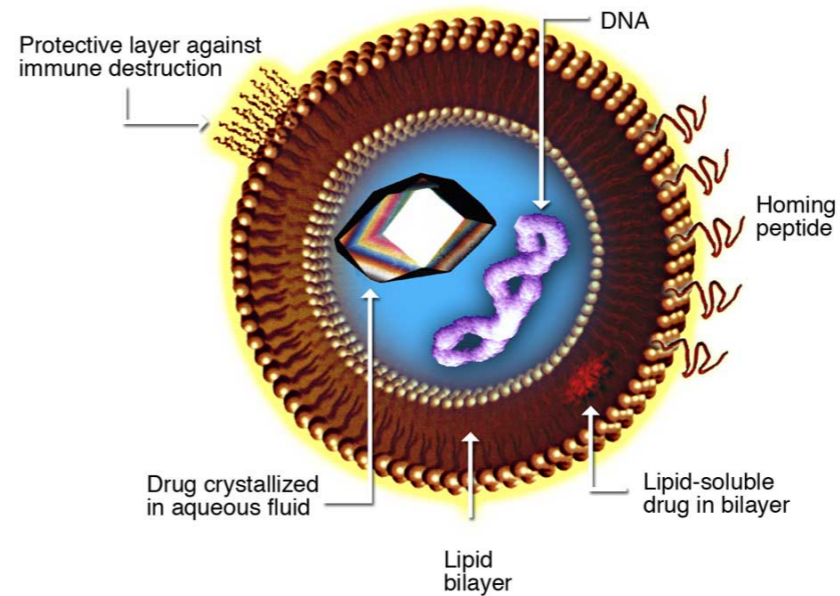
packing of viral DNA  
inside the capsid

infection of cells

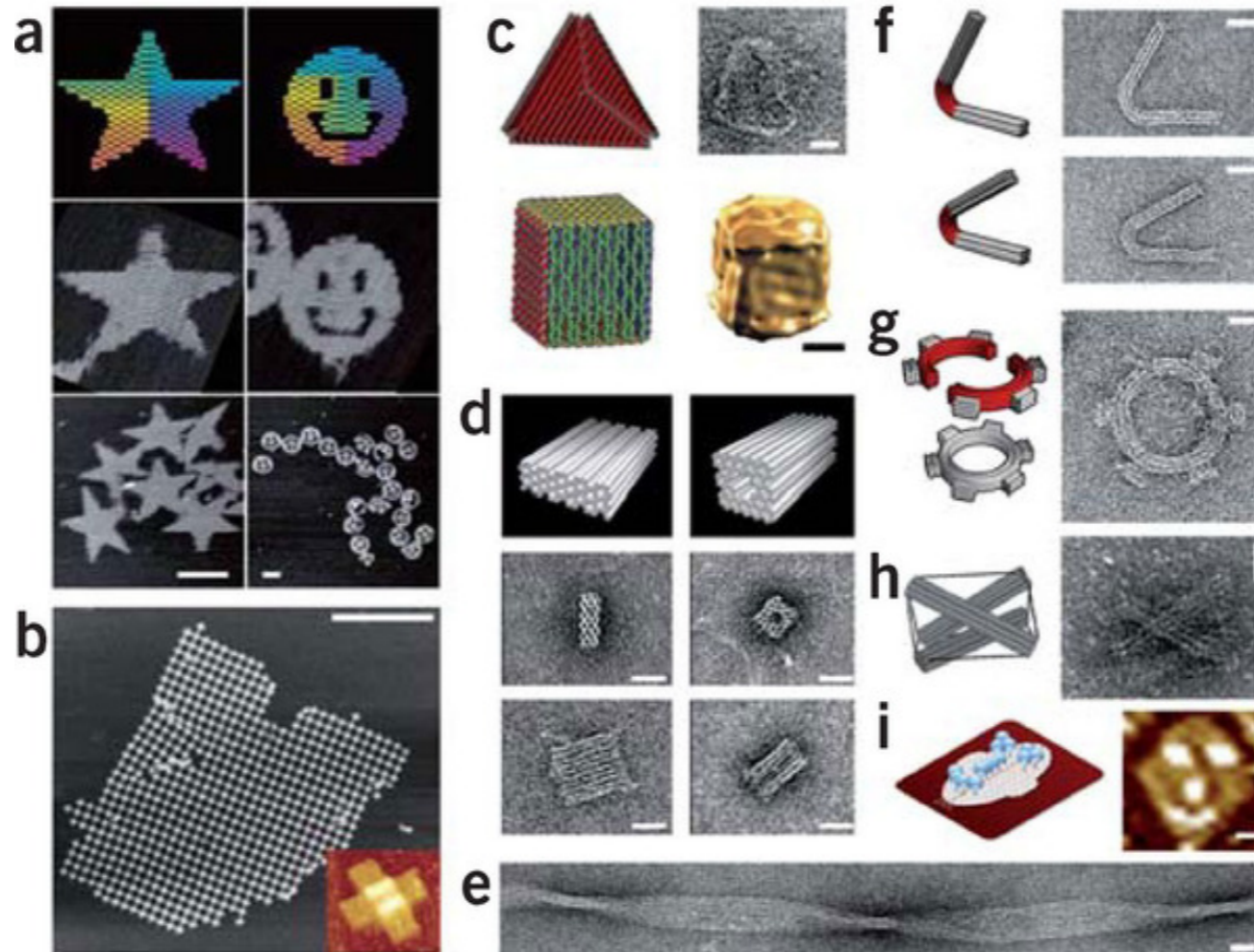
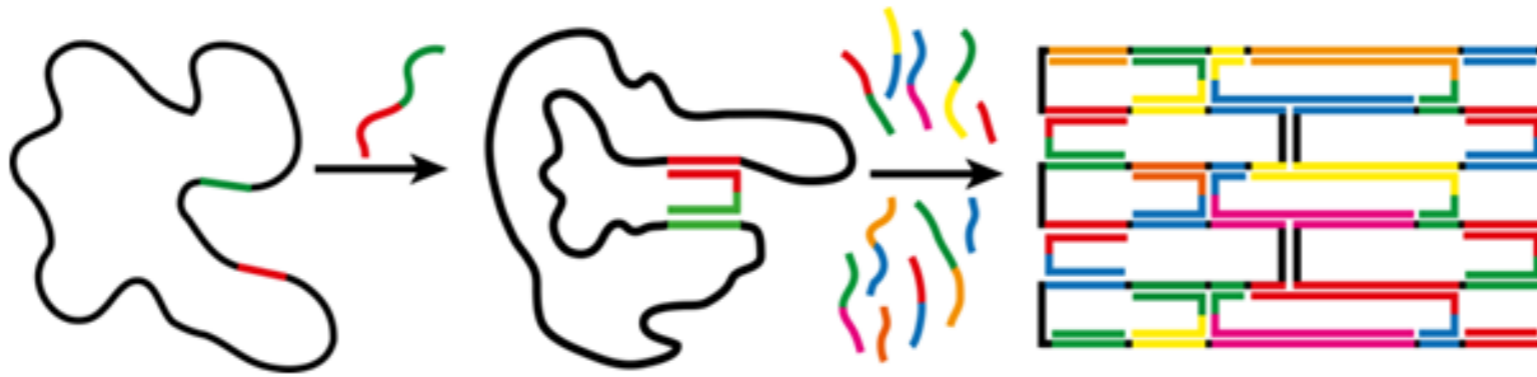


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drug delivery



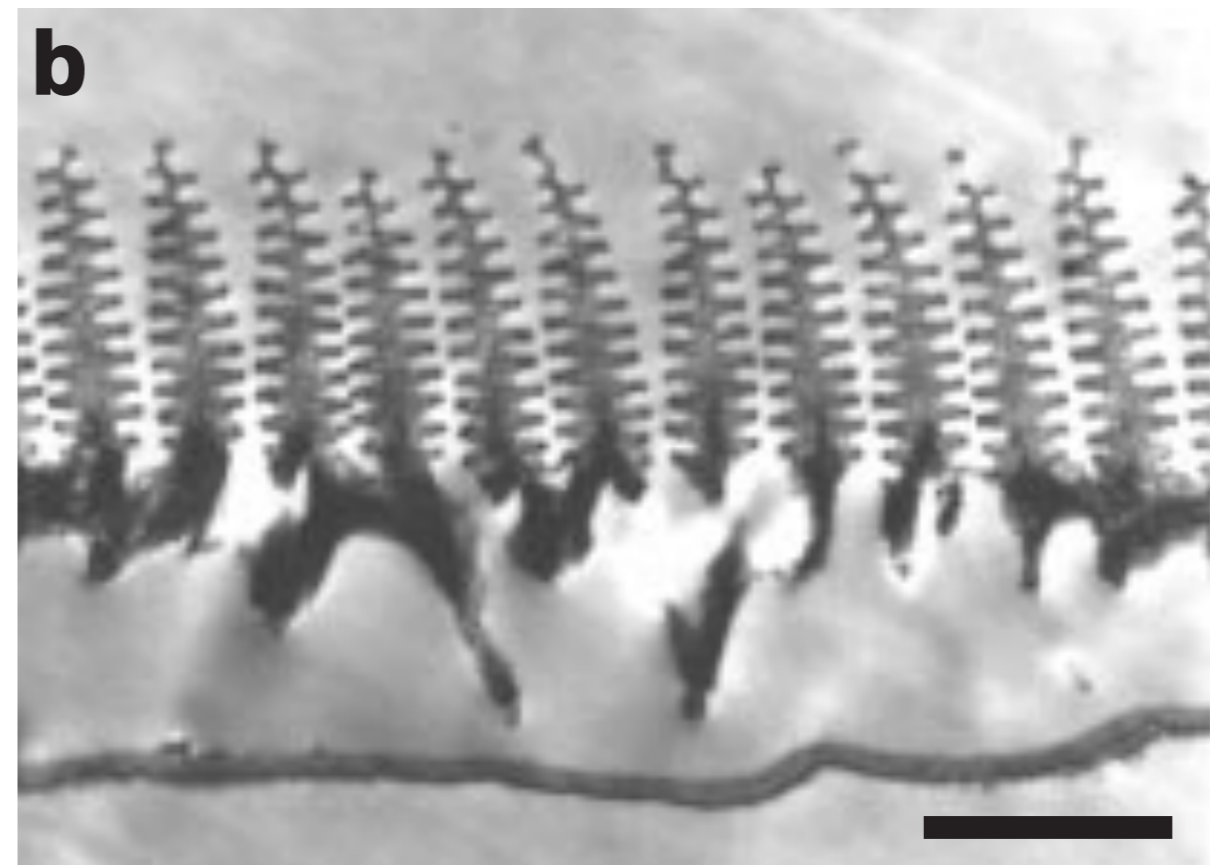
# DNA Origami



C. E. Castro et al., Nature methods (2011)

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## Structural colors



1.7 μm

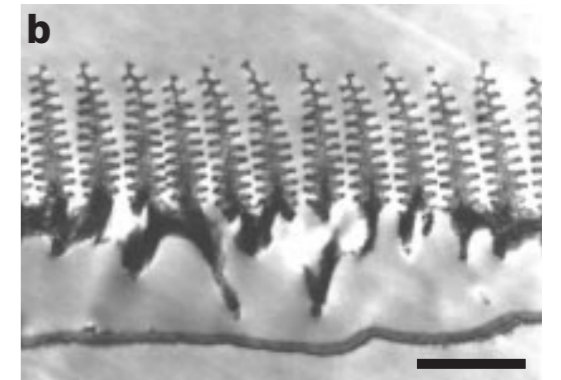
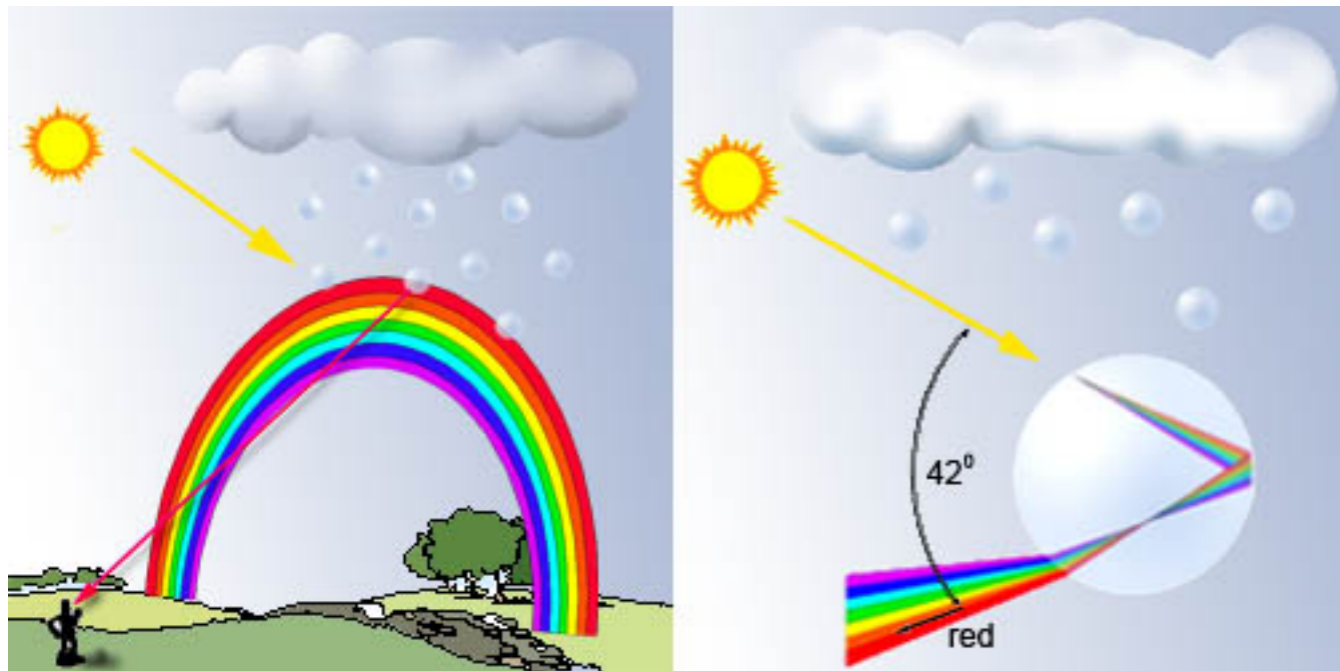
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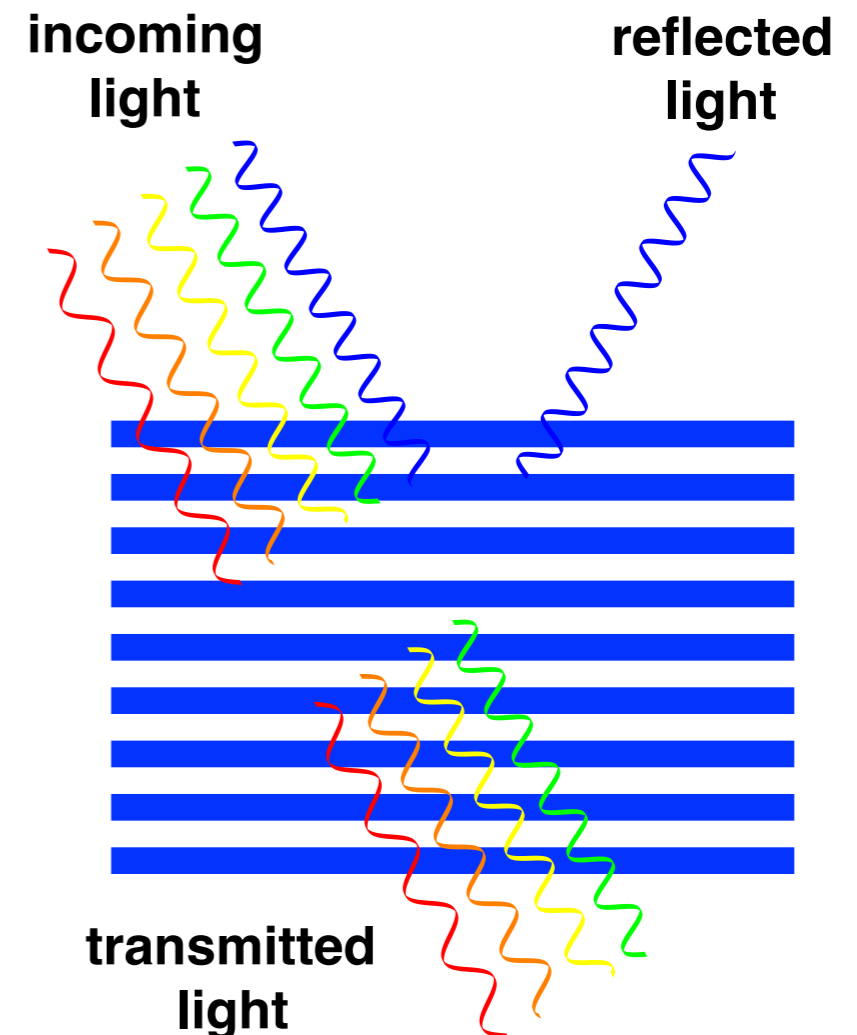
**structural color**

White light coming from the sun consists of all colors.

**rainbow**



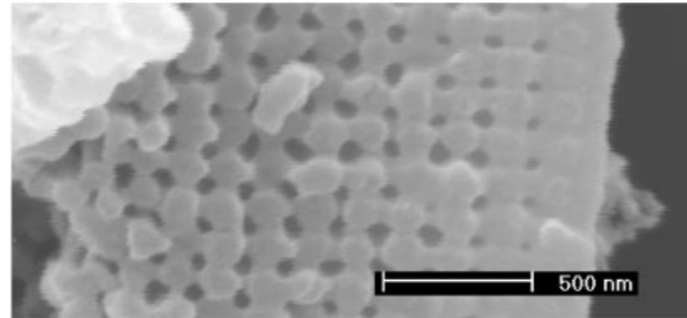
1.7  $\mu\text{m}$



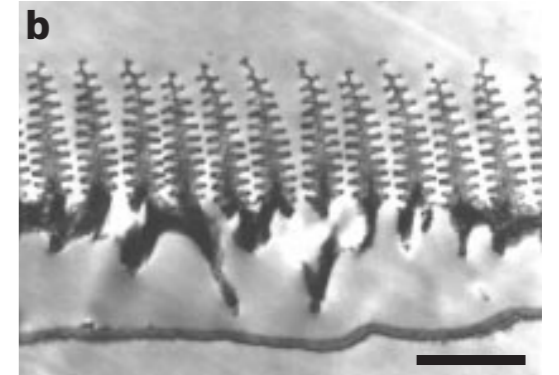
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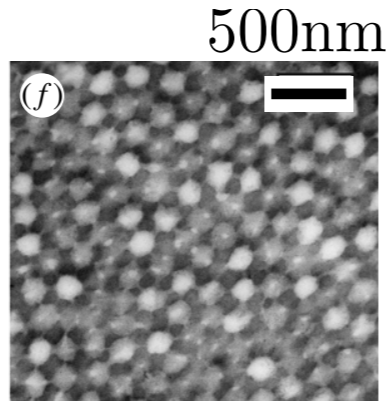
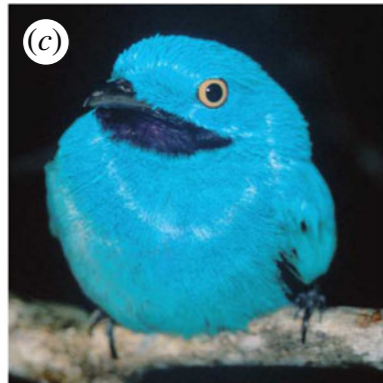
## Peacock feather eyes



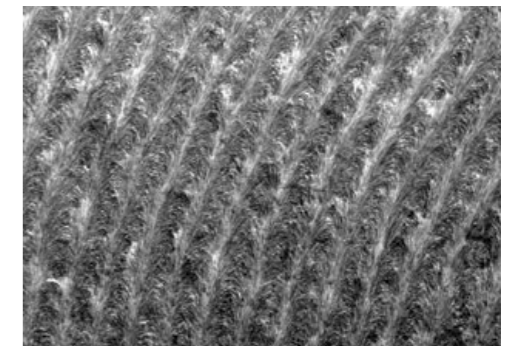
## Morpho butterfly



## Plum-throated Cotinga

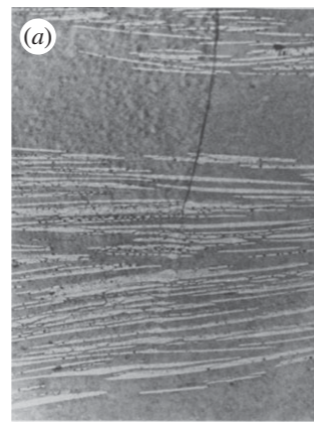


## Marble berry

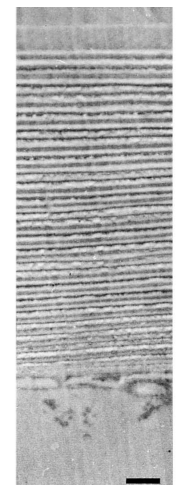


1.7  $\mu\text{m}$

## bleak fish



## Chrysina aurigans beetle



250 nm

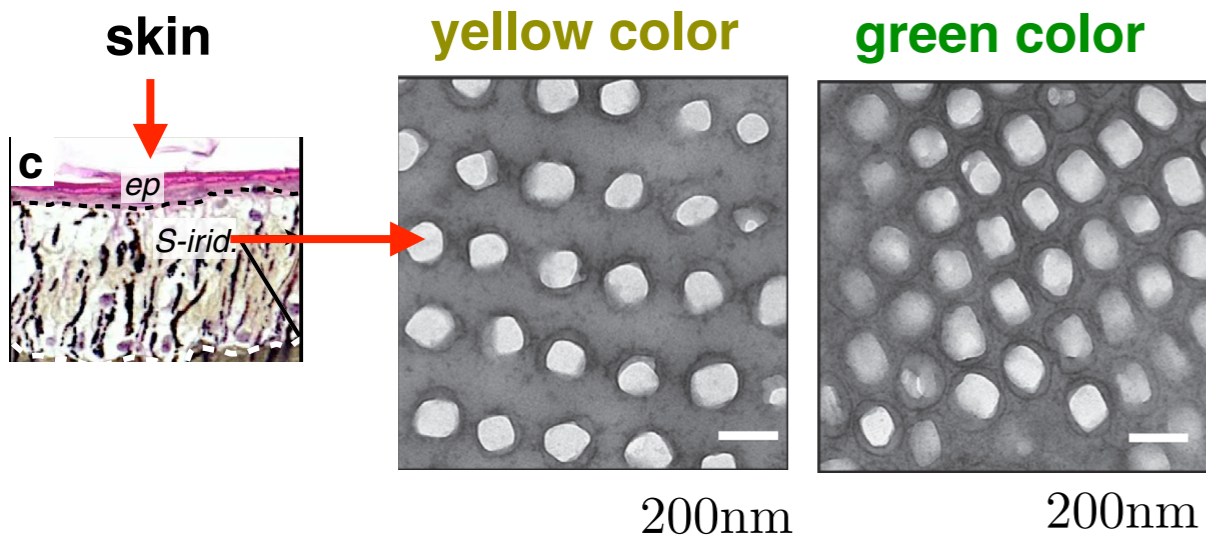
# Dynamic structural colors

## Chameleon (speed 8x)



J. Teyssier et al., Nat. Comm. 6, 6368 (2015)

**Changes in osmotic concentration lead to the swelling of cells in excited chameleon. This changes the spacing of periodic structure from which the ambient light is reflected.**

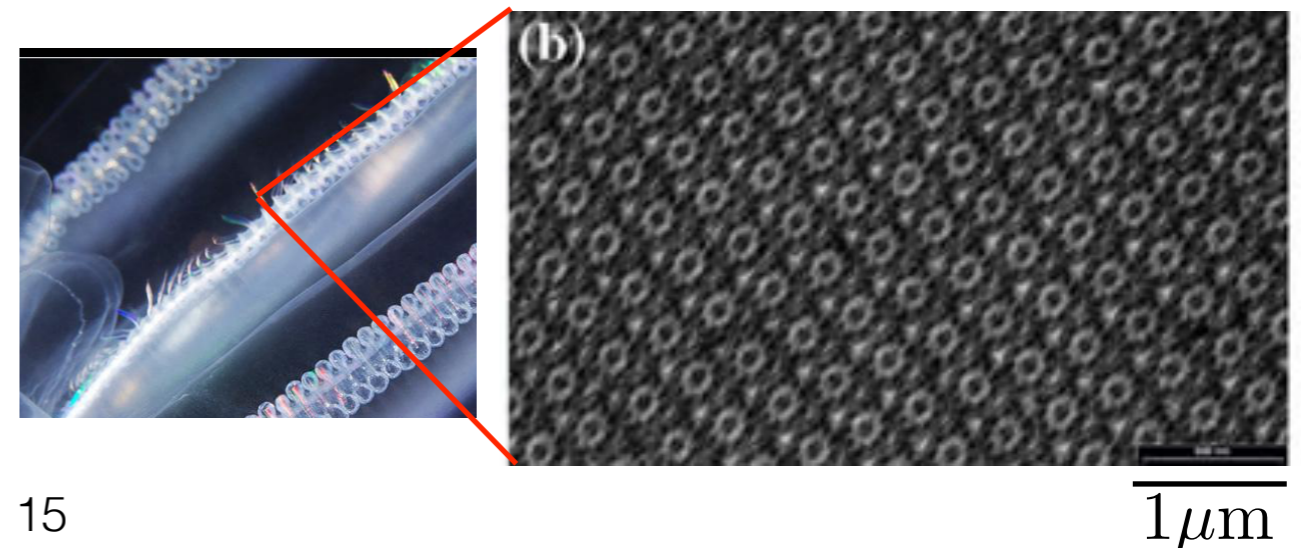


## Comb Jelly (real time)



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qy90d0XvJIE>

**Rainbow color waves are produced by the beating of cilia, which change the orientation of periodic structure from which the ambient light is reflected.**



# Dynamic colors in cephalopods

octopus

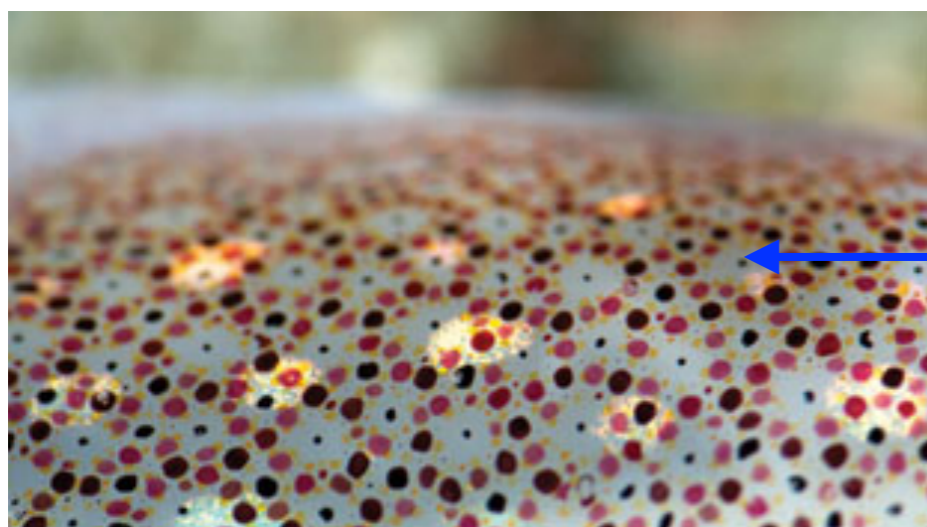


squid



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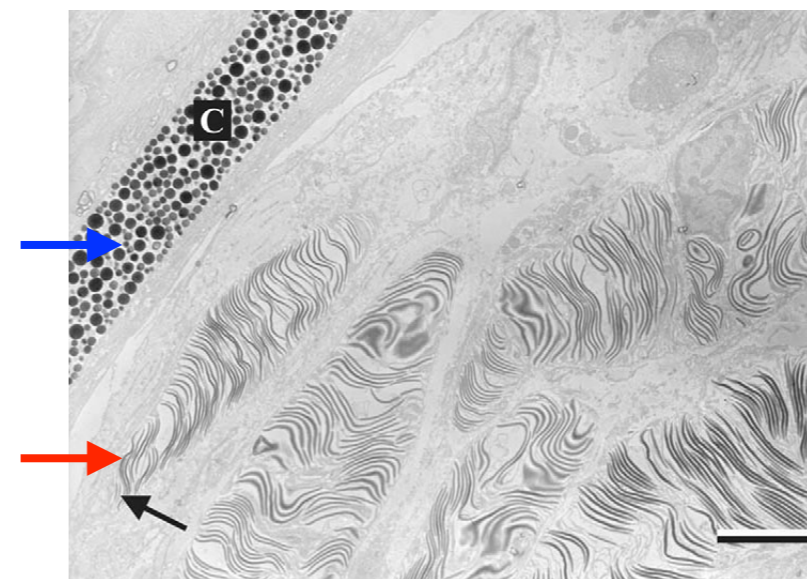
**Dynamical color change in cephalopod is achieved by modulation of size and spacing of both the pigment cells and the cells reflecting light.**



squid skin surface

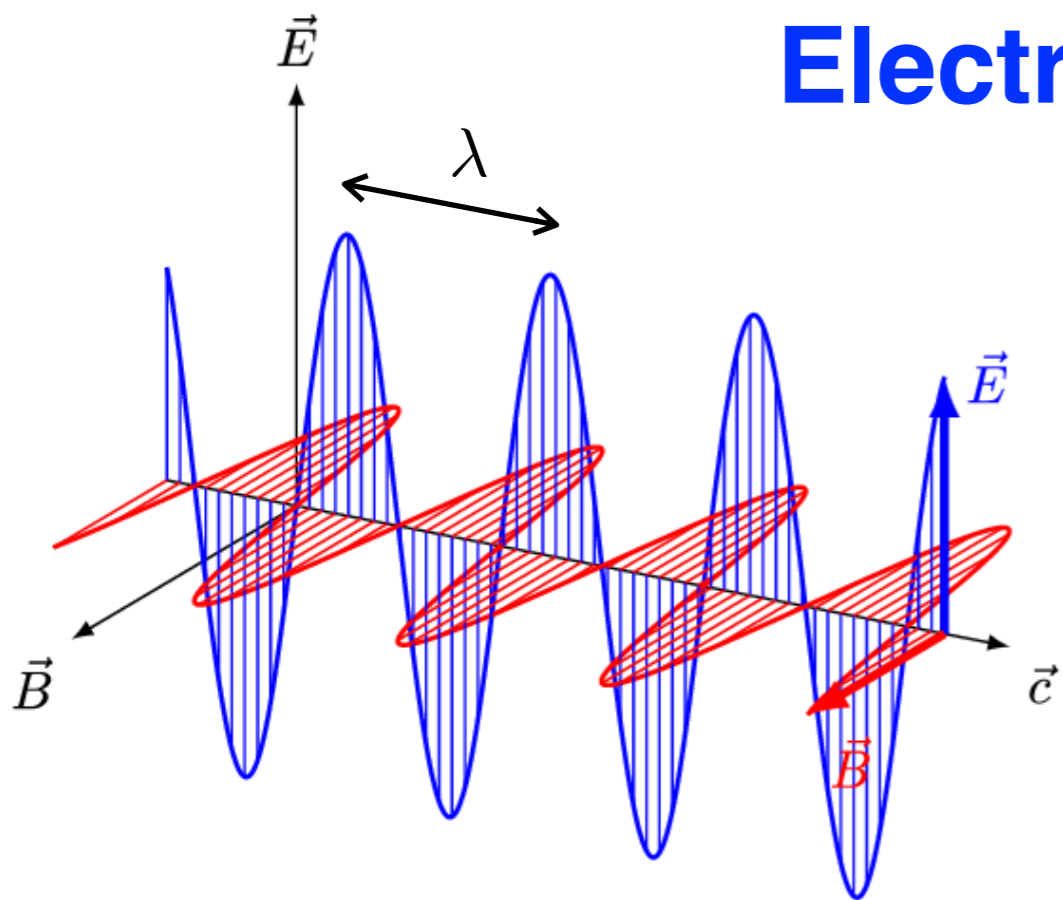
chromatophores  
(pigment cells)

iridophores  
(reflecting light)



7.5 $\mu$ m

# Electromagnetic waves



electric field

magnetic field

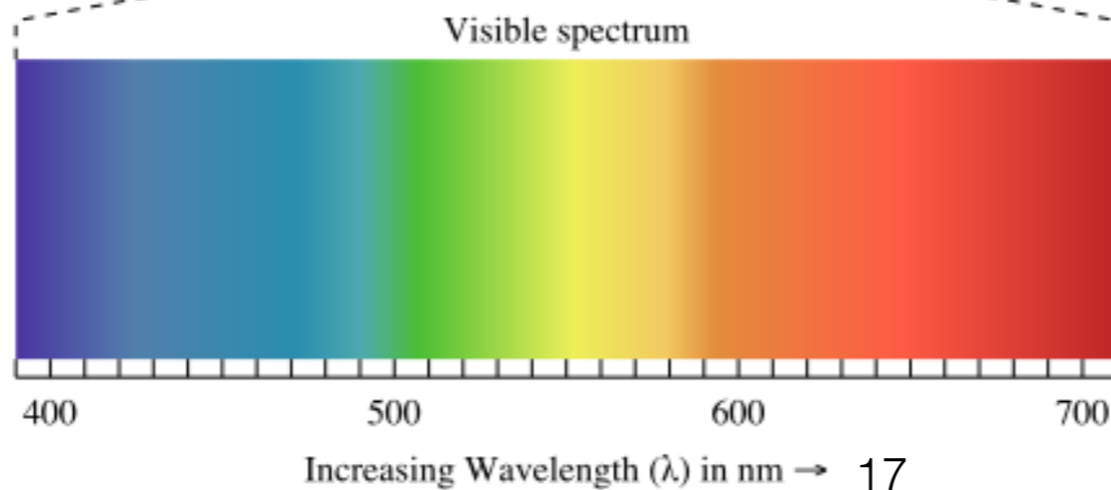
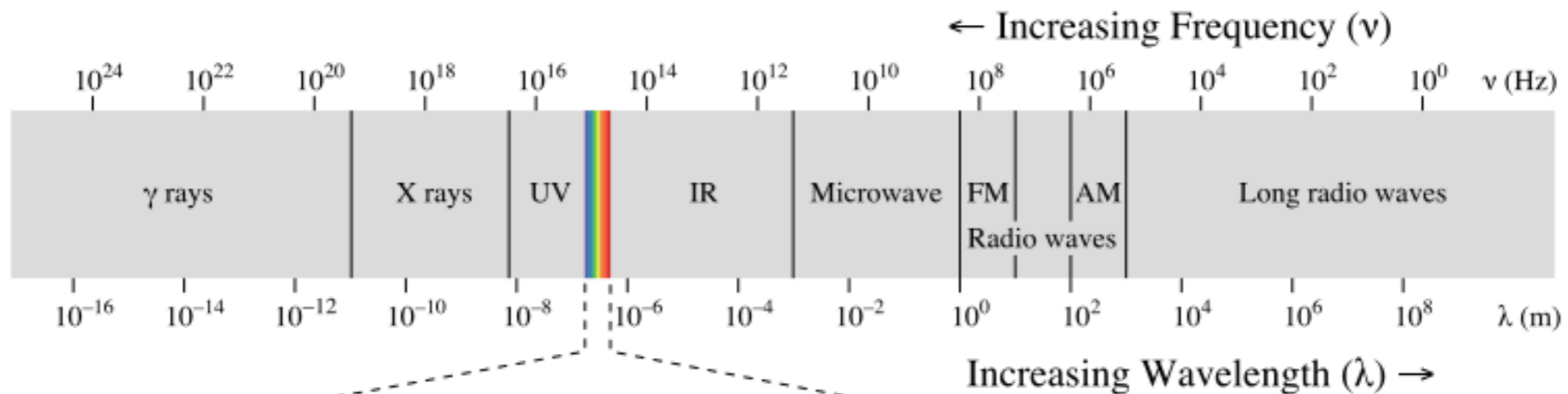
$$c^2 \vec{B}_0 = \vec{c} \times \vec{E}_0$$

speed of light

$$c_0 = \lambda \nu = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

wavelength  $\lambda$

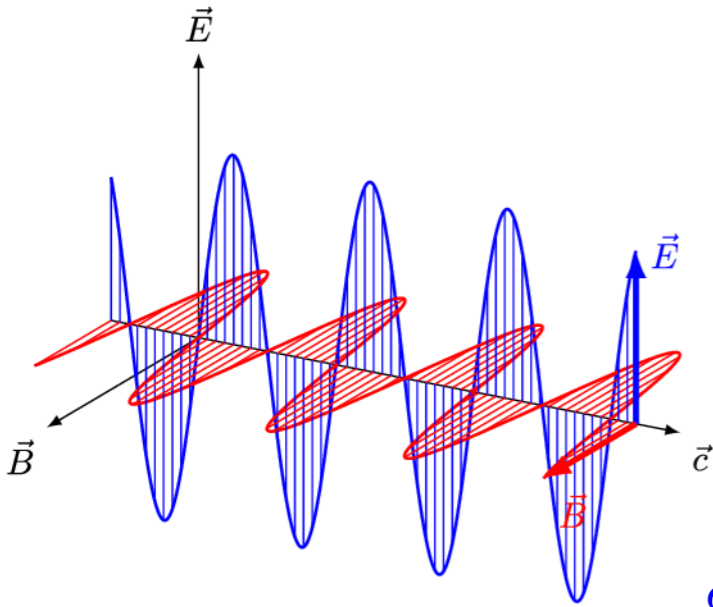
frequency  $\nu$



White light coming from the sun contains electromagnetic waves of all wavelengths!

# Wave equation

## electromagnetic waves



$$c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon\mu}}$$

$\epsilon$  permittivity  
 $\mu$  permeability

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \nabla^2 u$$

**Solutions are traveling waves with velocity  $c$ .**

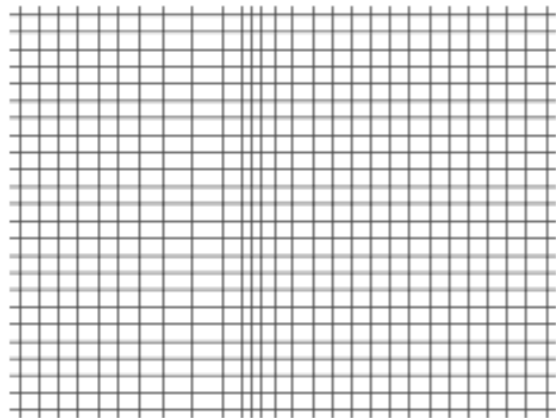
## waves in ropes under tension



$$c = \sqrt{\frac{F}{\rho A}}$$

$F$  tensile force  
 $\rho$  mass density  
 $A$  cross-section area

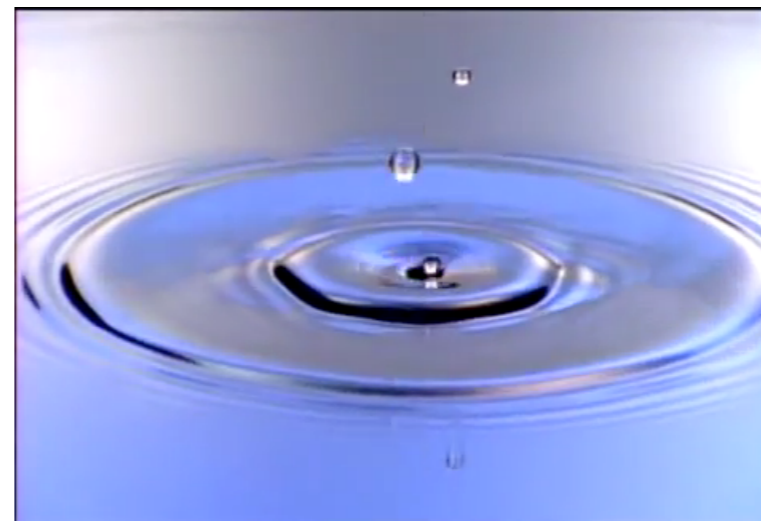
## sound waves



$$c = \sqrt{\frac{K}{\rho}}$$

$K$  bulk modulus  
 $\rho$  mass density

## waves on liquid surfaces



### shallow water

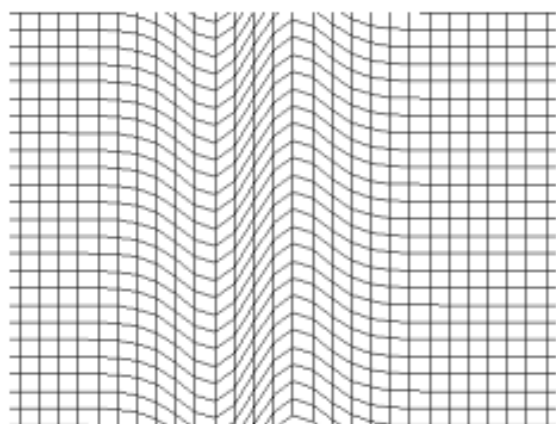
$$c = \sqrt{gh}$$

### deep water

$$c = \sqrt{\frac{g\lambda}{2\pi}}$$

$g$  gravitational const.  
 $h$  water depth  
 $\lambda$  wavelength

## shear waves



$$c = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\rho}}$$

$\mu$  shear modulus  
 $\rho$  mass density

# Plane waves

Solutions of wave equation can be described as a linear superposition of plane waves:

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{\vec{k}} A_{\vec{k}} e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)}$$

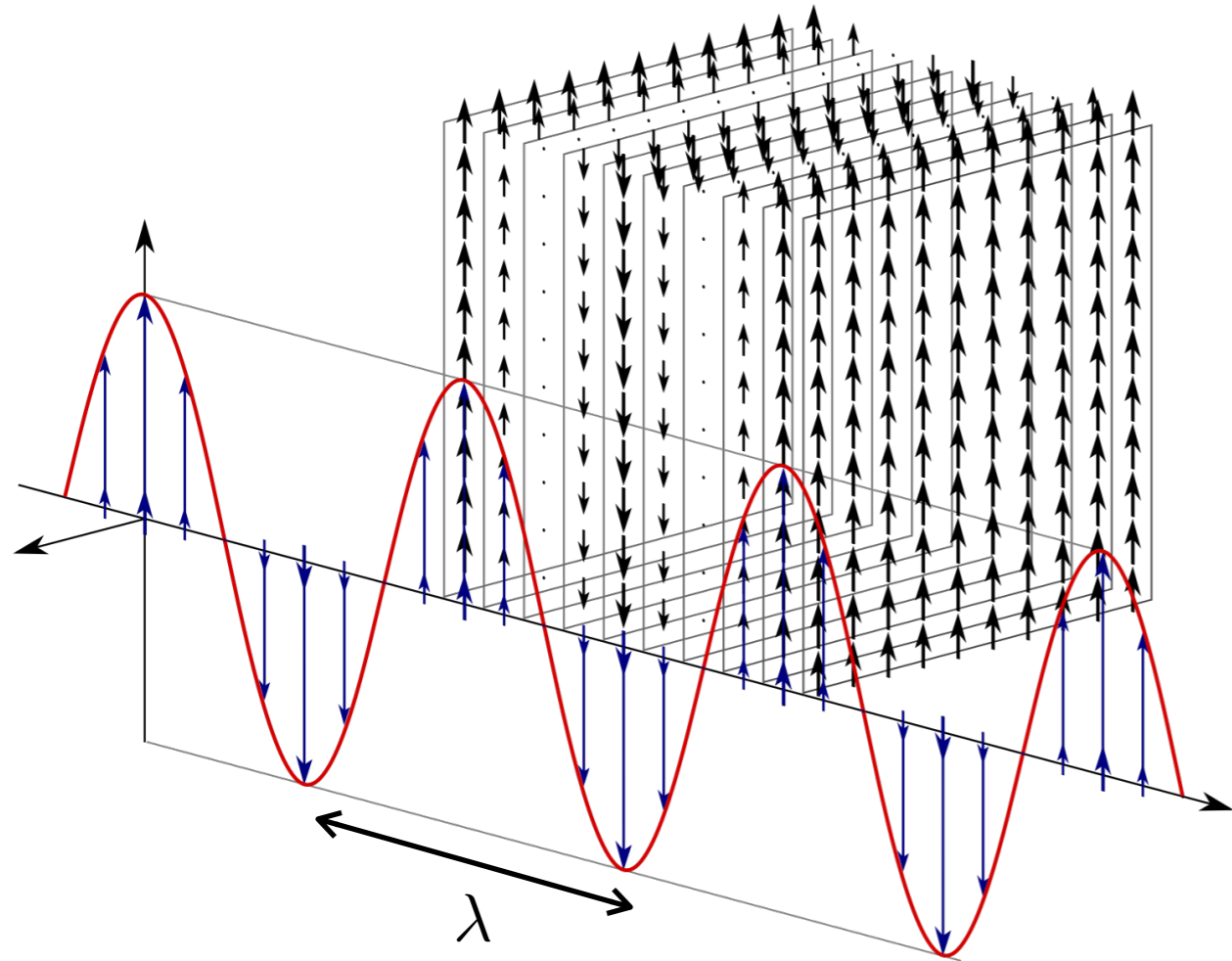
$$k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \quad \text{wavevector}$$
$$\omega = 2\pi\nu \quad \text{angular frequency}$$

Plane waves travel in direction of  $\vec{k}$  with velocity:

$$c = \frac{\omega}{k} = \lambda\nu$$

Planes of constant phases:

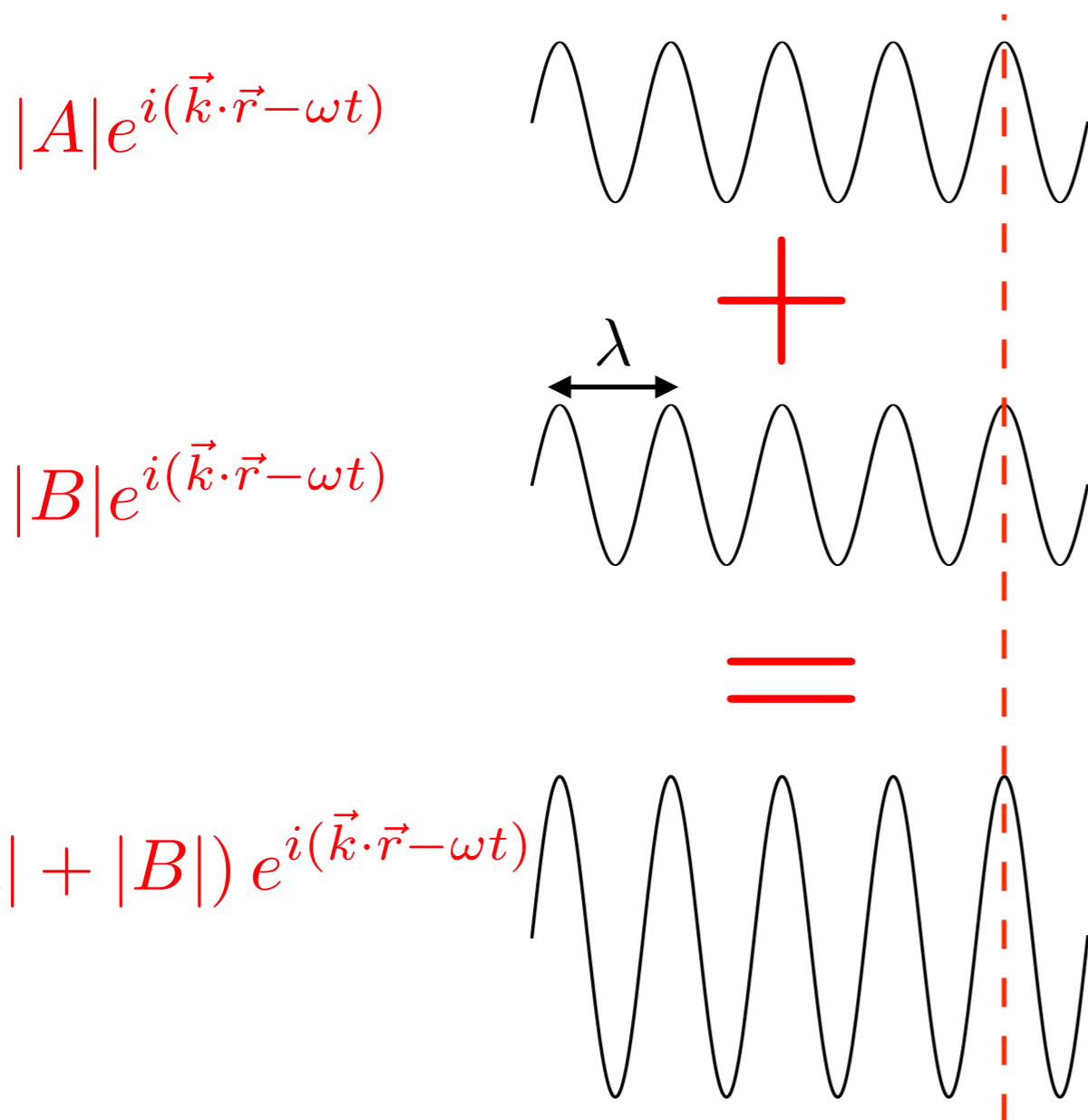
$$\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} = \text{const}$$



**Note: velocity of plane waves may depend on the wavevector  $c(\vec{k})$  !**

# Interference

**constructive  
interference**



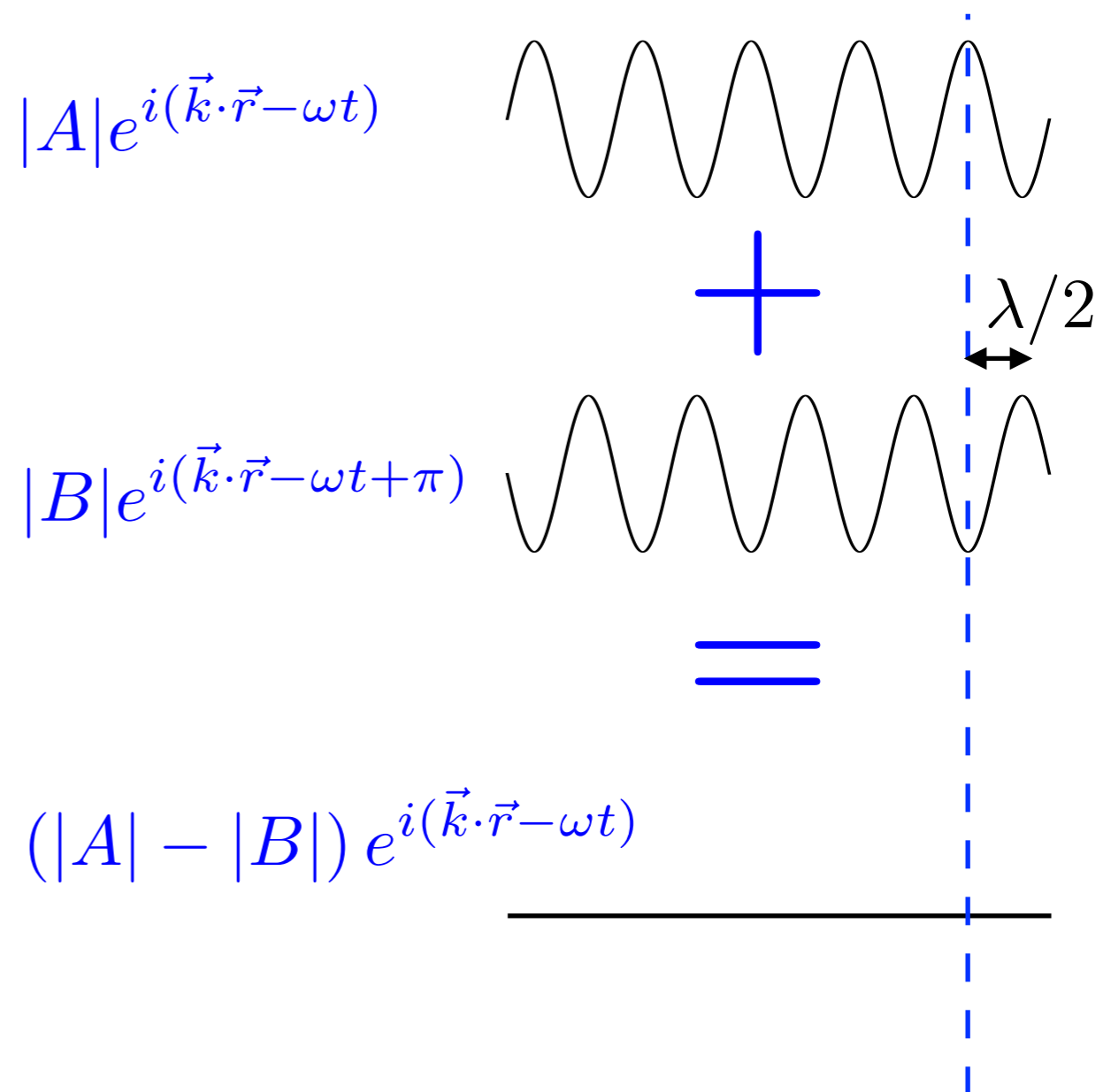
**Constructive interference occurs  
when the two waves are in phase:**

**waves offset by  $m\lambda$ ,**

$$m = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

$$e^{ikm\lambda} = e^{i2\pi m} = +1$$

**destructive  
interference**



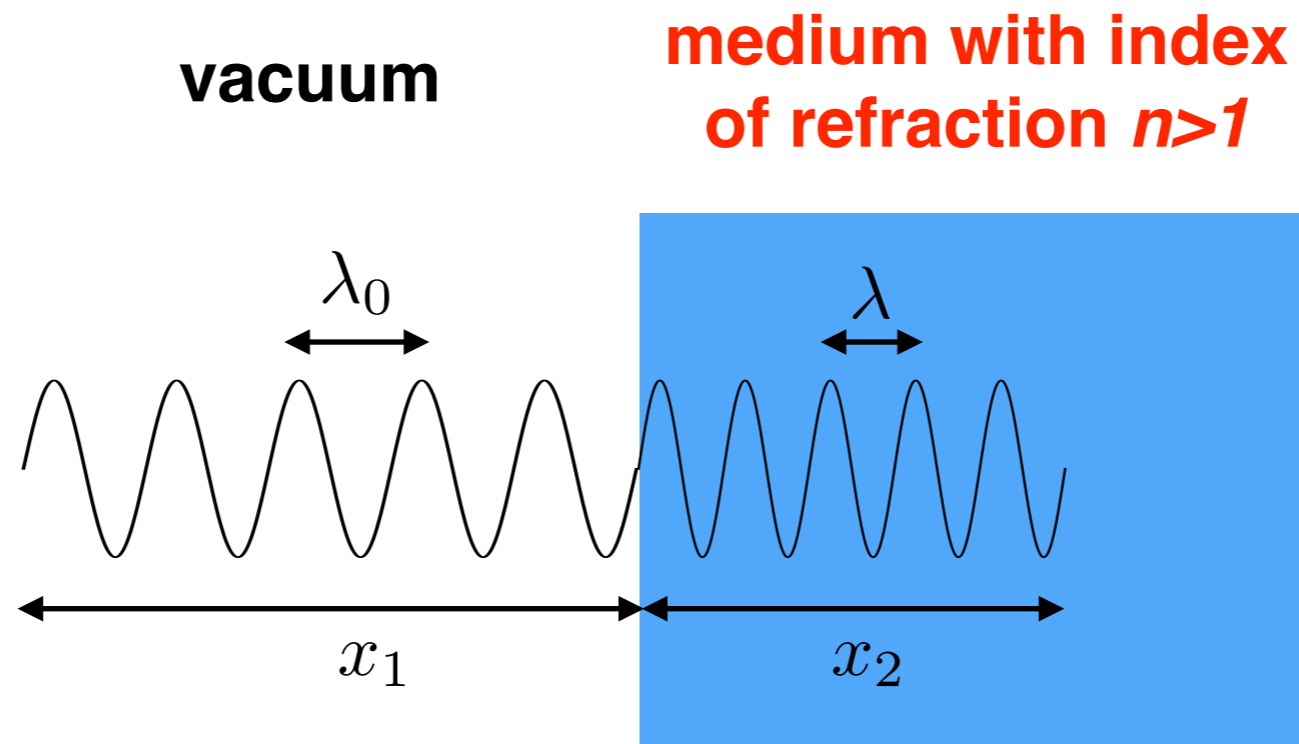
**Destructive interference occurs when  
the two waves are out of phase:**

**waves offset by  $(m + 1/2)\lambda$ ,**

$$m = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

$$e^{ik(m+1/2)\lambda} = e^{i(2\pi m + \pi)} = -1$$

# Propagation of light in medium



**speed of light**

$$c_0 = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

$$c = c_0/n$$

**frequency**

$$\nu_0$$

$$\nu = \nu_0$$

**wavelength**

$$\lambda_0$$

$$\lambda = \lambda_0/n$$

$$c_0 = \nu_0 \lambda_0$$

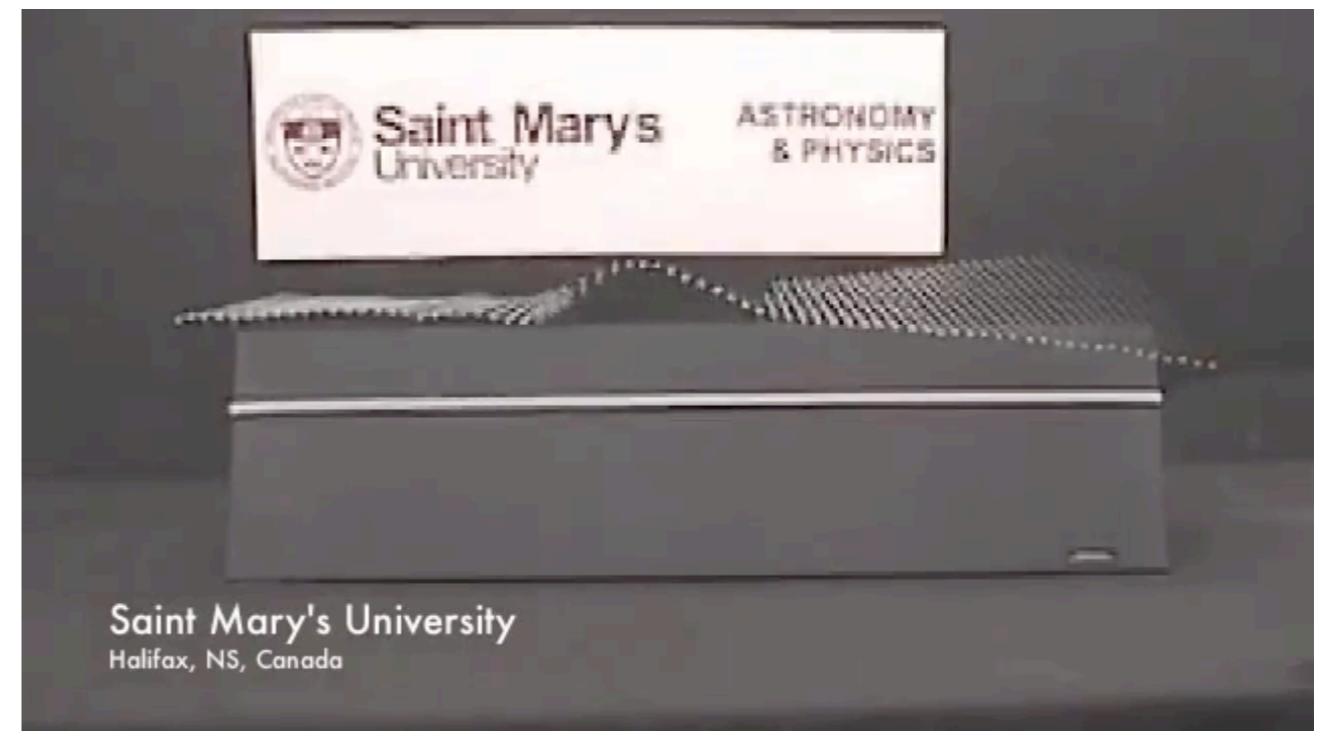
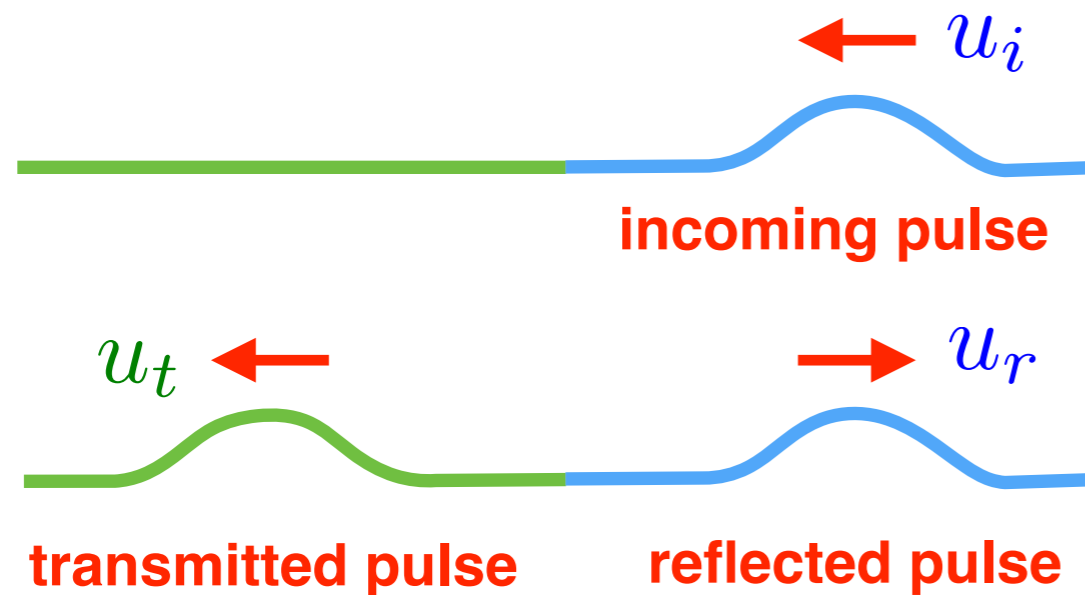
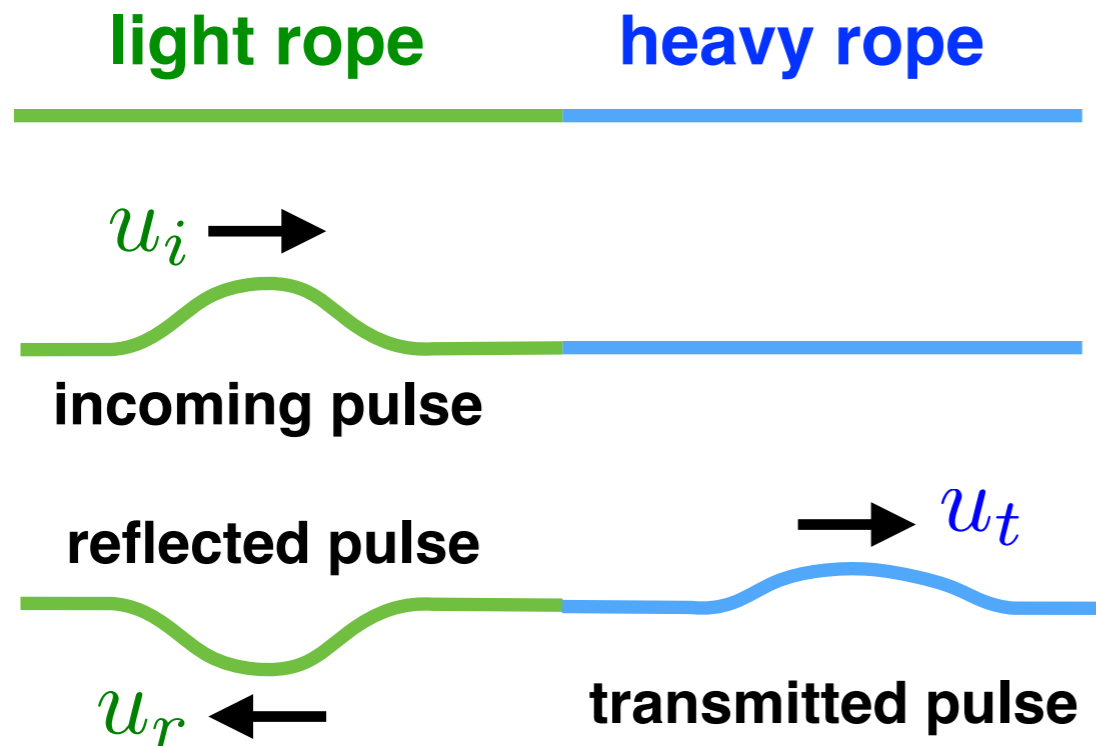
$$c = \nu \lambda$$

**total number of cycles**

$$\frac{x_1}{\lambda_0} + \frac{x_2}{\lambda} = \frac{x_1 + n x_2}{\lambda_0}$$

**Optical path length is geometric distance multiplied by the index of refraction!**

# Reflection of waves



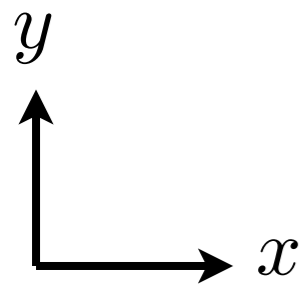
amplitude of reflected pulse

$$\frac{u_r}{u_i} = \frac{c_2 - c_1}{c_1 + c_2}$$

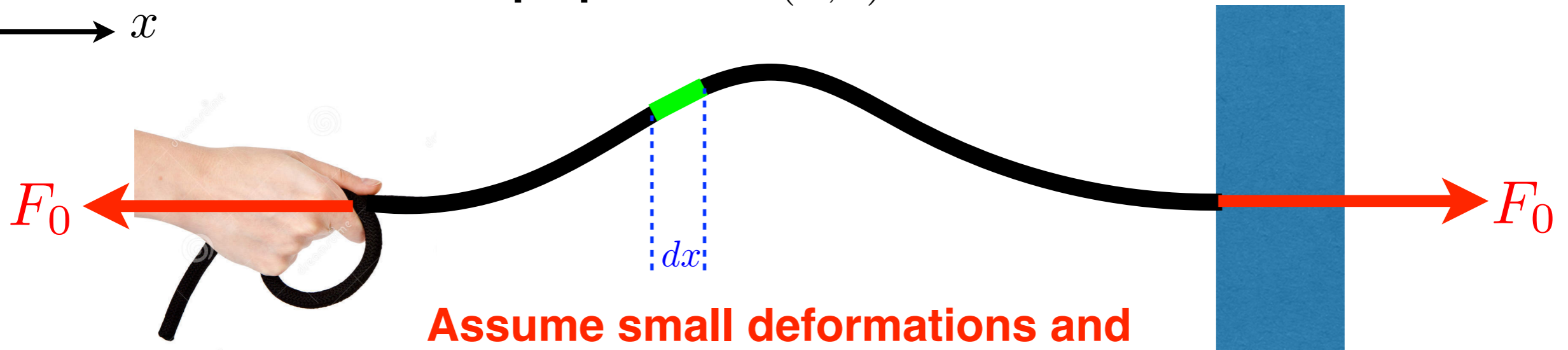
amplitude of transmitted pulse

$$\frac{u_t}{u_i} = \frac{2c_2}{c_1 + c_2}$$

# Wave equation for rope under tension



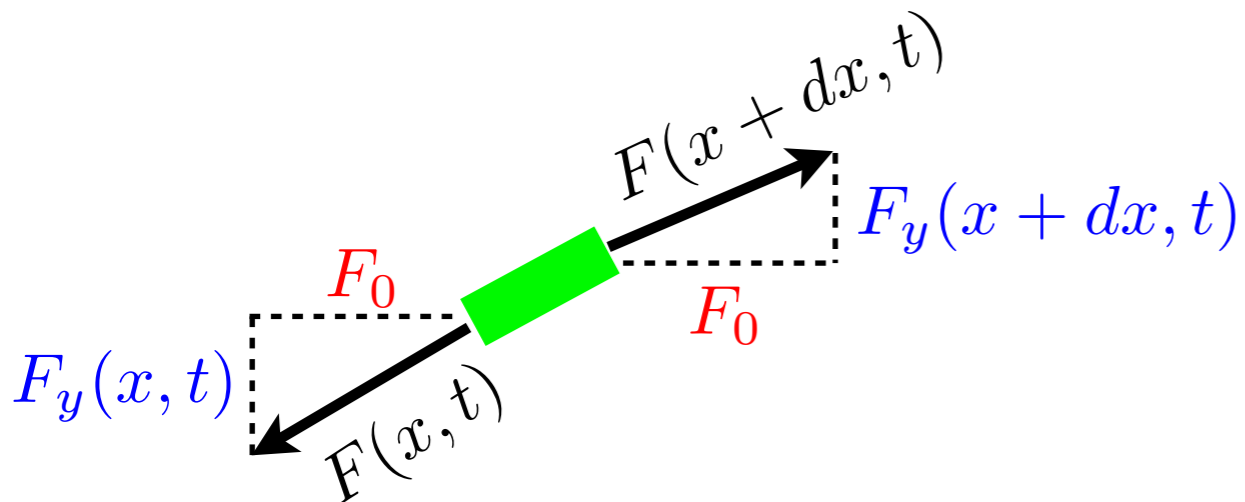
shape profile:  $h(x, t)$



**Assume small deformations and ignore movement in x direction!**

**Forces acting on a small rope element:**

**Second Newton's law for a small rope element:**



$$\rho A dx \frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial t^2} = F_y(x + dx, t) - F_y(x, t)$$

$$\rho A \frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial F_y}{\partial x} = F_0 \frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial x^2}$$

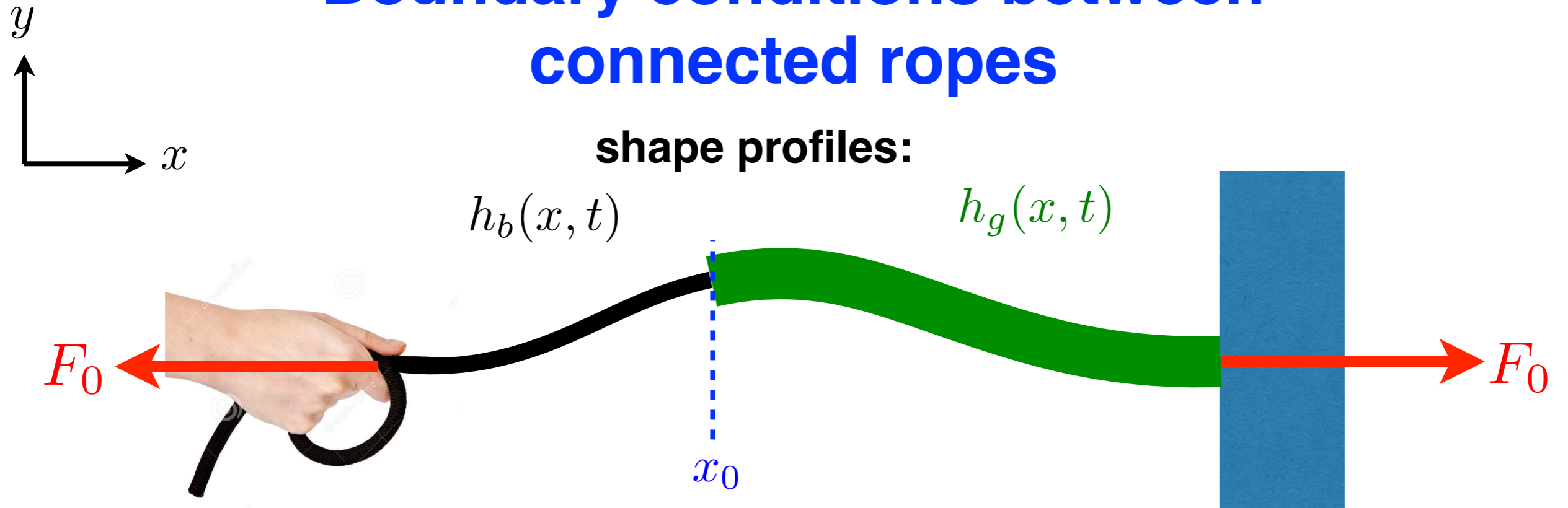
**Forces act only in direction of the rope:**

**Wave equation:**

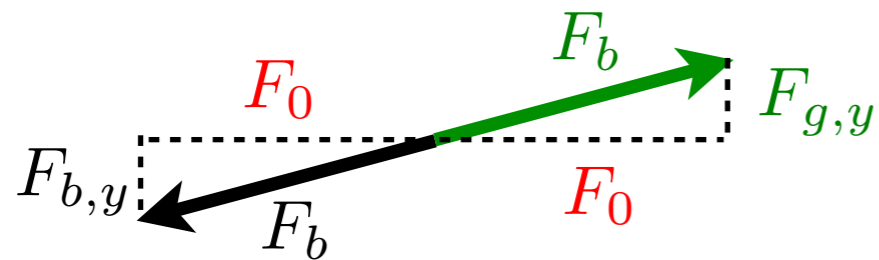
$$\frac{F_y(x, t)}{F_0} = \frac{\partial h(x, t)}{\partial x}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial t^2} = \frac{F_0}{\rho A} \frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial x^2} \equiv c^2 \frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial x^2}$$

# Boundary conditions between connected ropes



**Forces acting on the massless point, where ropes are connected:**



**Newton's law for this massless point:**

$$F_{g,y} - F_{b,y} = ma = 0$$



**Continuity: ropes are connected**

$$h_b(x_0, t) = h_g(x_0, t)$$

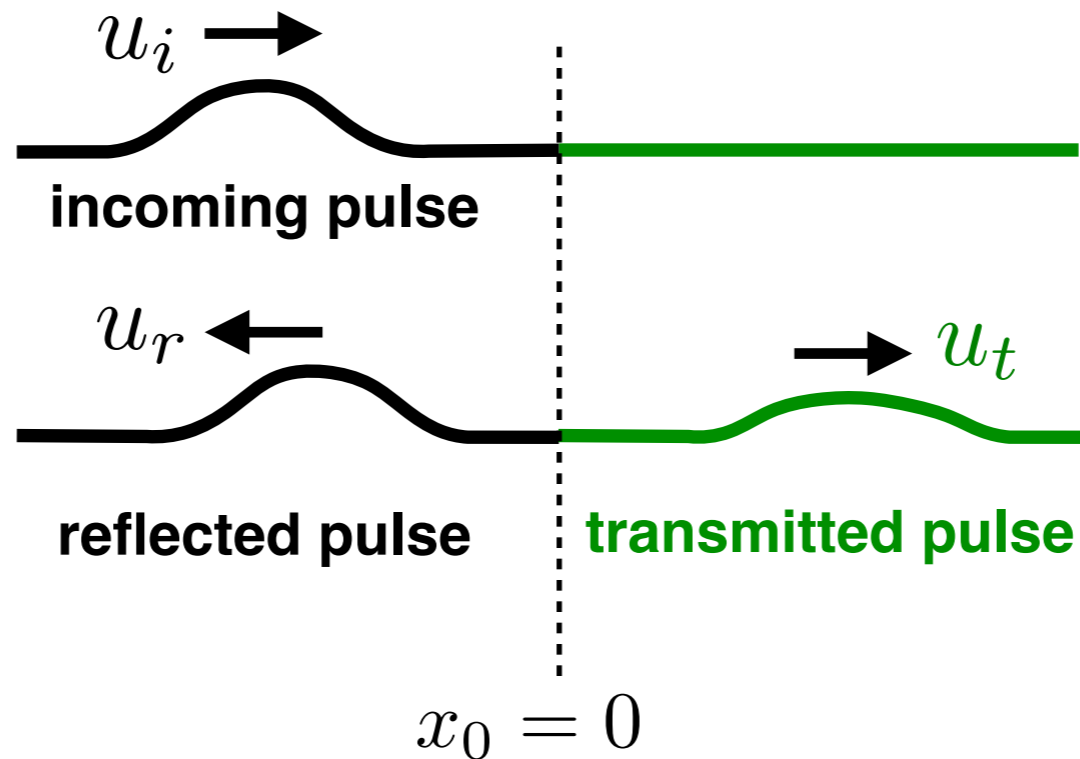
**Force balance:**

$$\frac{\partial h_b}{\partial x}(x_0, t) = \frac{\partial h_g}{\partial x}(x_0, t)$$

# Reflection of waves on ropes

wave speed in black rope

$$c_1 = \frac{\omega}{k_1}$$



wave speed in green rope

$$c_2 = \frac{\omega}{k_2}$$

Solutions of wave equations can be expanded in Fourier series:

$$u_b(x, t) = \sum_{\omega} \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{incoming pulse} \\ A_{\omega} e^{i(k_1 x - \omega t)} \end{array} + \begin{array}{l} \text{reflected pulse} \\ B_{\omega} e^{i(-k_1 x - \omega t)} \end{array} \right)$$

$$u_g(x, t) = \sum_{\omega} \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{transmitted pulse} \\ C_{\omega} e^{i(k_2 x - \omega t)} \end{array} \right)$$

amplitudes of reflected and transmitted waves:

boundary conditions:

$$u_b(0, t) = u_g(0, t)$$

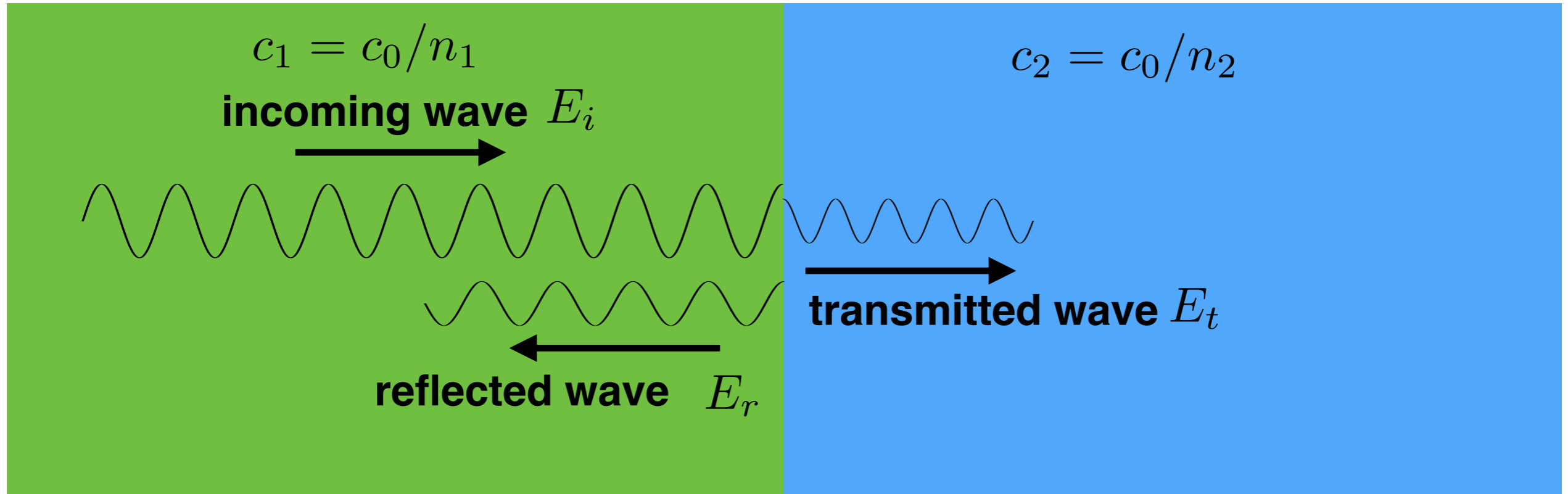
$$A_{\omega} + B_{\omega} = C_{\omega}$$

$$\frac{\partial u_b}{\partial x}(0, t) = \frac{\partial u_g}{\partial x}(0, t)$$

$$ik_1(A_{\omega} - B_{\omega}) = ik_2 C_{\omega}$$

$$\begin{aligned} B_{\omega} &= A_{\omega} \frac{(c_2 - c_1)}{(c_1 + c_2)} \\ C_{\omega} &= A_{\omega} \frac{2c_2}{(c_1 + c_2)} \end{aligned}$$

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**boundary conditions for incident waves normal to the interface:**

$$E_1 = E_2 \quad H_1 = H_2 \rightarrow \frac{\partial E_1}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial E_2}{\partial x}$$

**amplitude of reflected electric field**

$$r \equiv \frac{E_r}{E_i} = \frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2}$$

**amplitude of transmitted electric field**

$$t \equiv \frac{E_t}{E_i} = \frac{2n_1}{n_1 + n_2}$$

**energy density of electromagnetic waves**

$$\propto n|E|^2$$

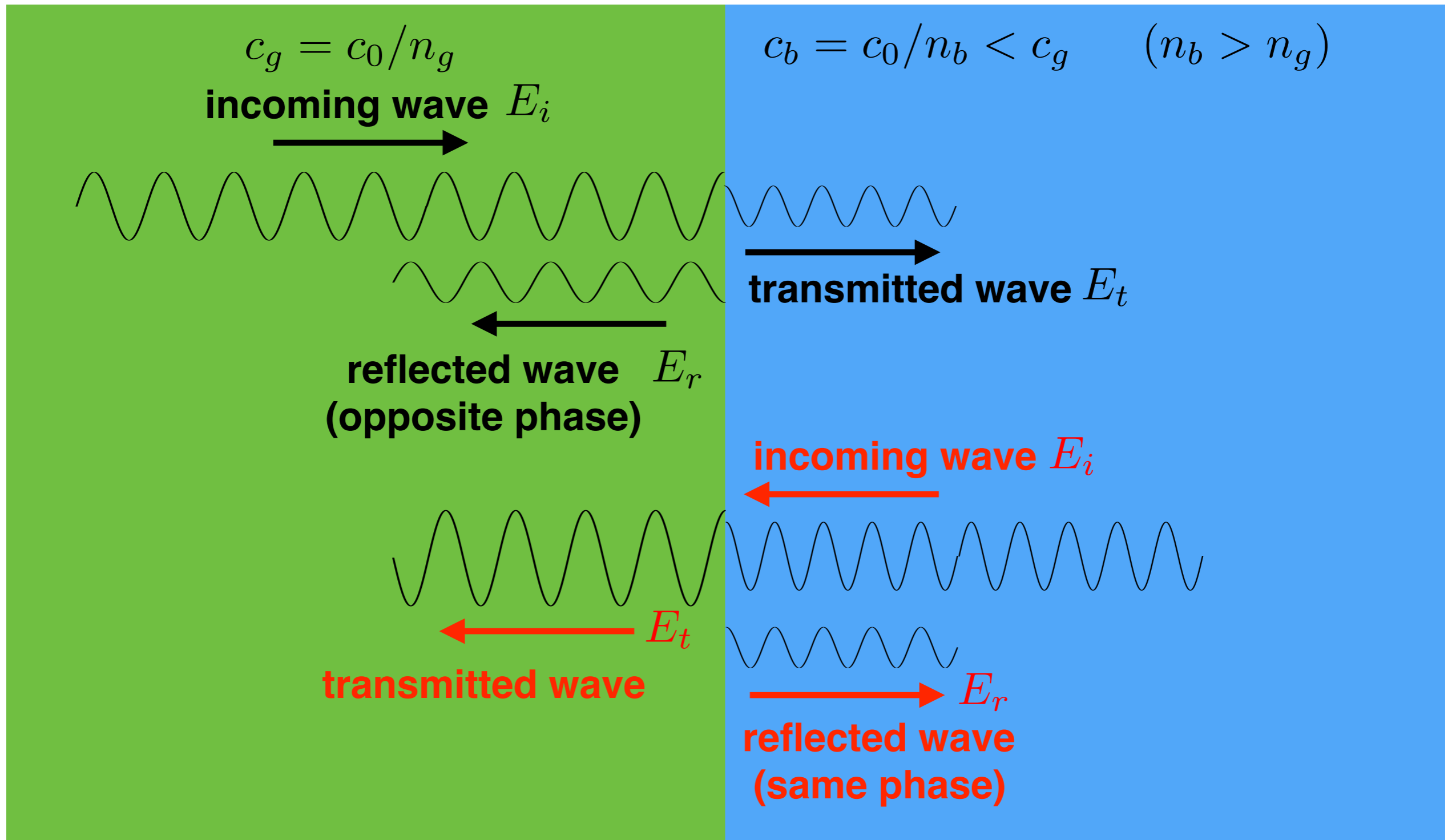
**reflectance**

$$R \equiv \frac{n_1|E_r|^2}{n_1|E_i|^2} = |r|^2$$

**transmittance**

$$T \equiv \frac{n_2|E_t|^2}{n_1|E_i|^2} = |t|^2 \frac{n_2}{n_1} = 1 - R$$

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amplitude of reflected electric field

$$\frac{E_r}{E_i} = \frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2}$$

amplitude of transmitted electric field

$$\frac{E_t}{E_i} = \frac{2n_1}{n_1 + n_2}$$