

# Reciprocity in potential scattering and anti-pseudo-unitarity of the fundamental transfer matrix

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## Outline:

- Potential scattering, transfer matrix, and Reciprocity Theorem in 1D
- Dynamical formulation of stationary scattering in 1D and Reciprocity Theorem
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- Anti-pseudo-unitarity of the fundamental transfer matrix and a proof of Reciprocity Theorem
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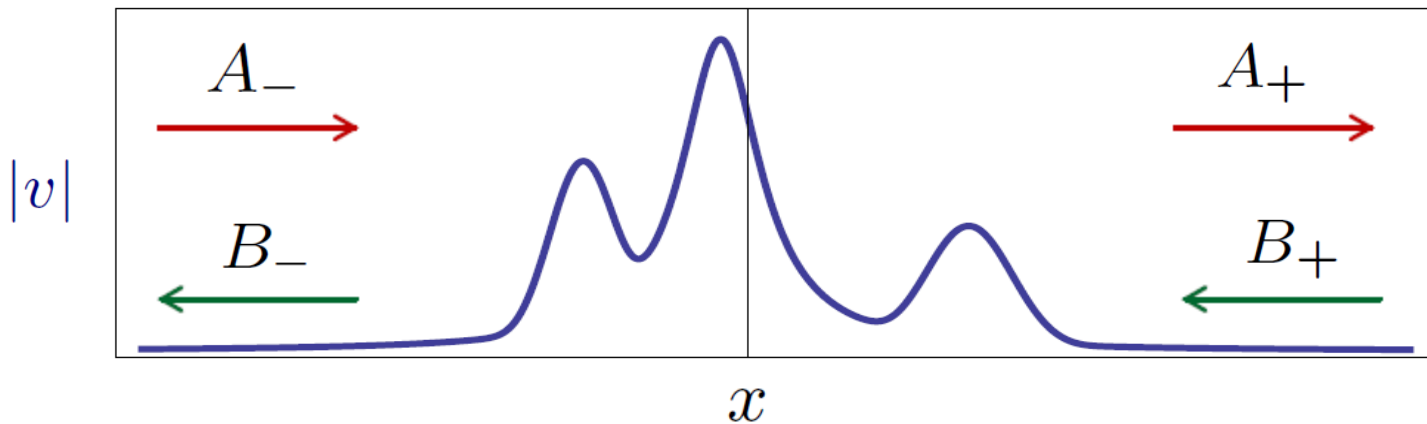
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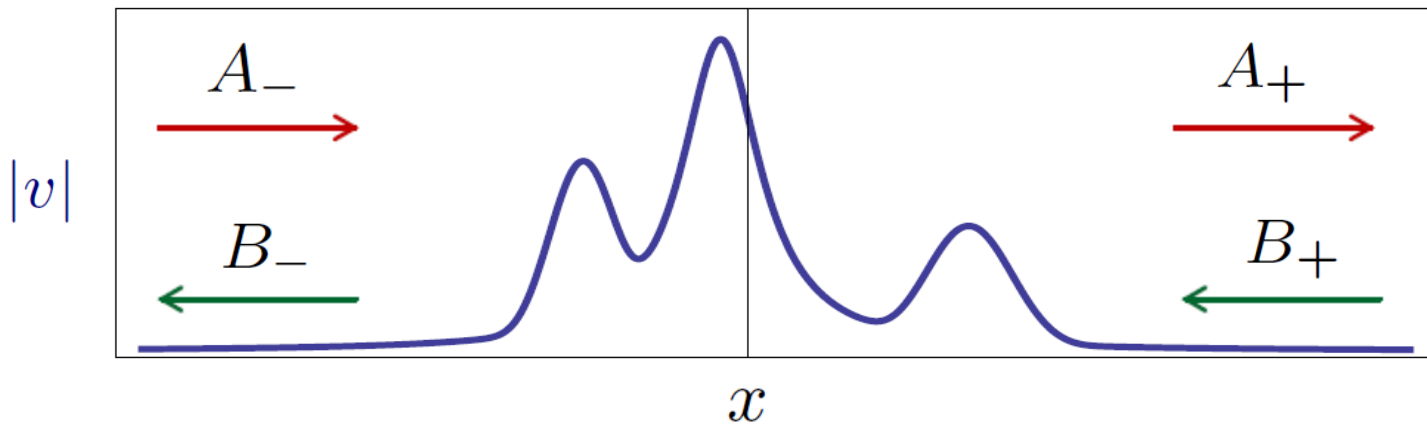


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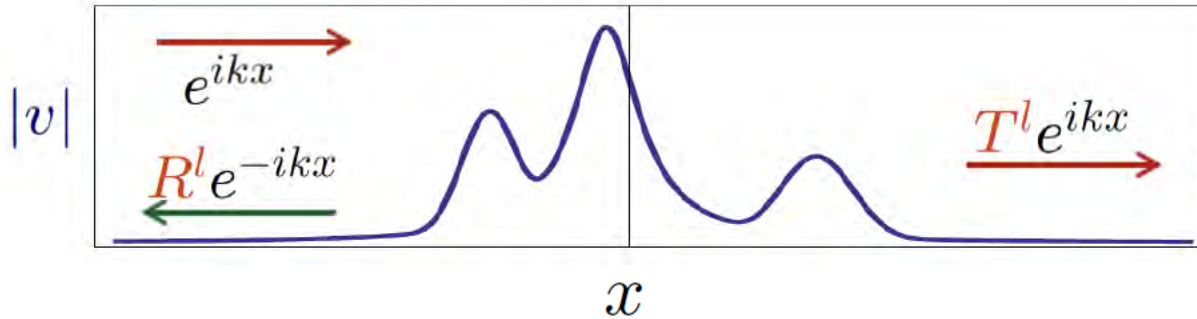
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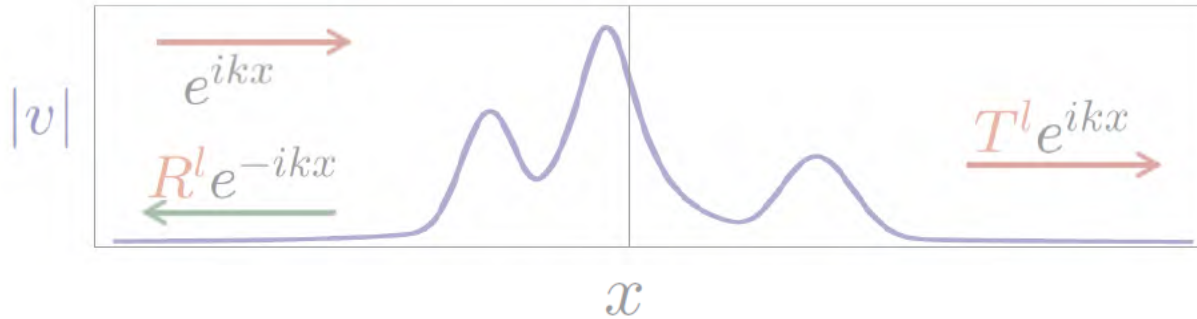
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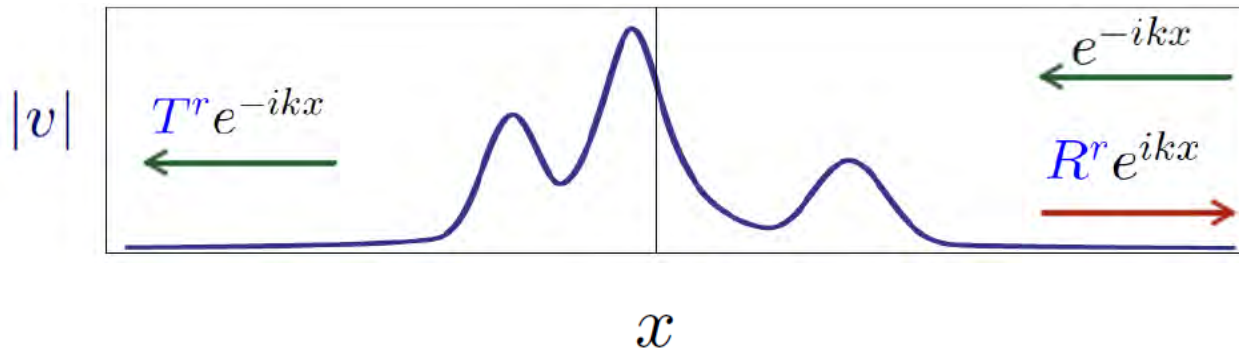


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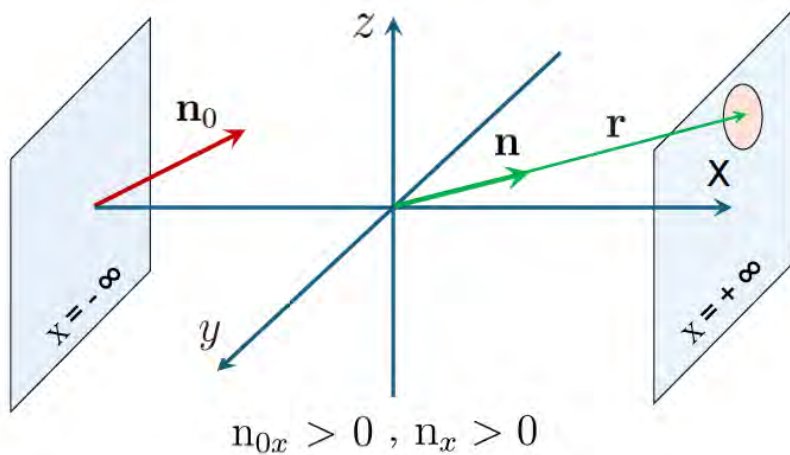
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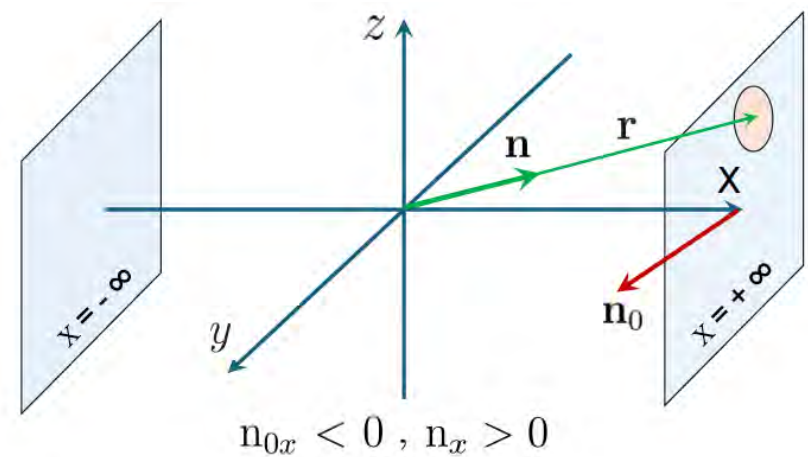
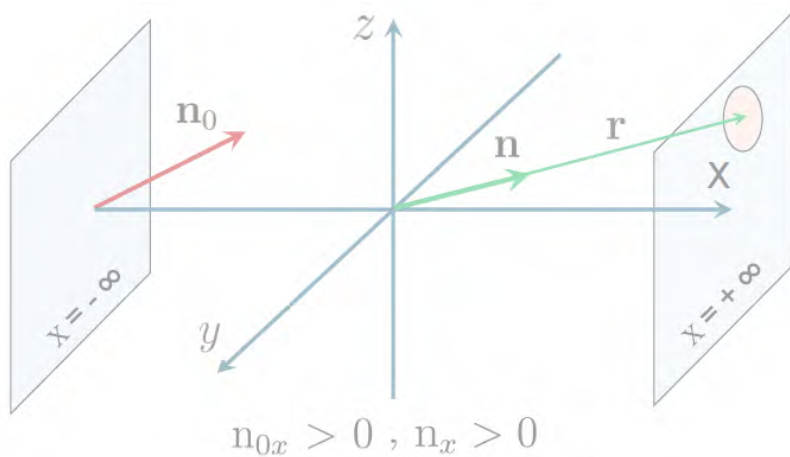
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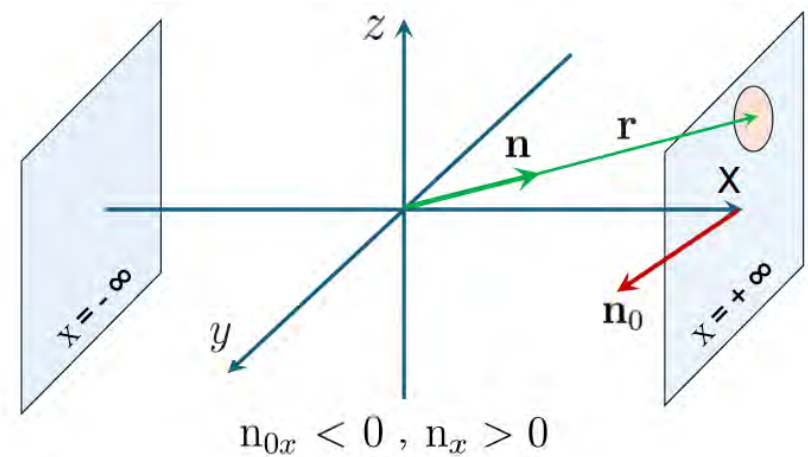
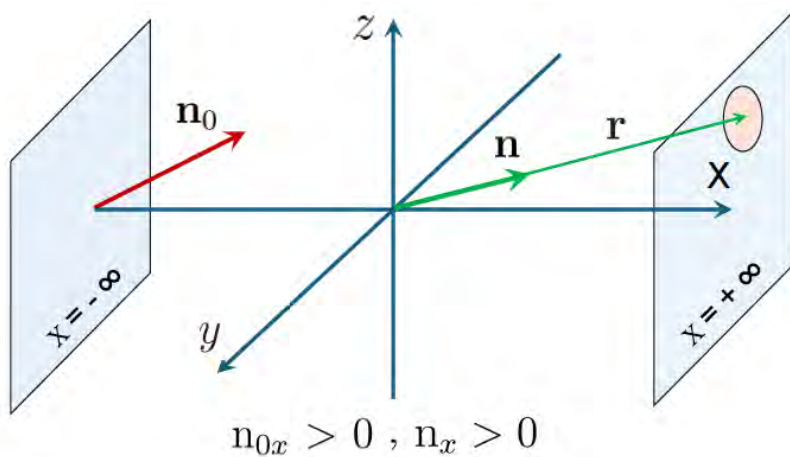


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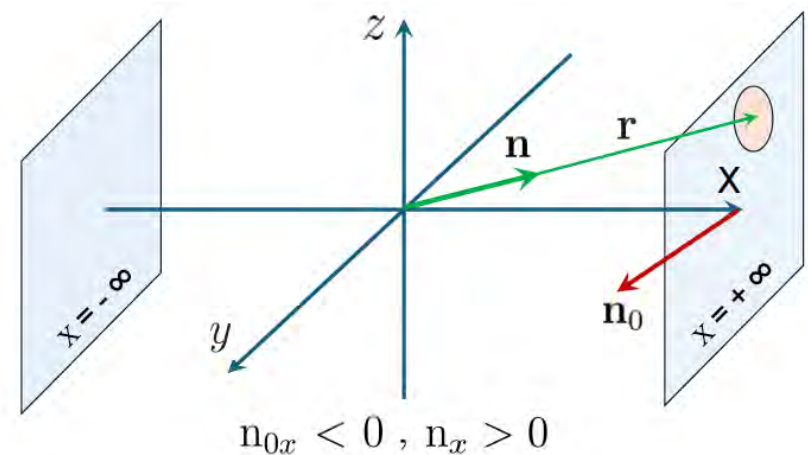
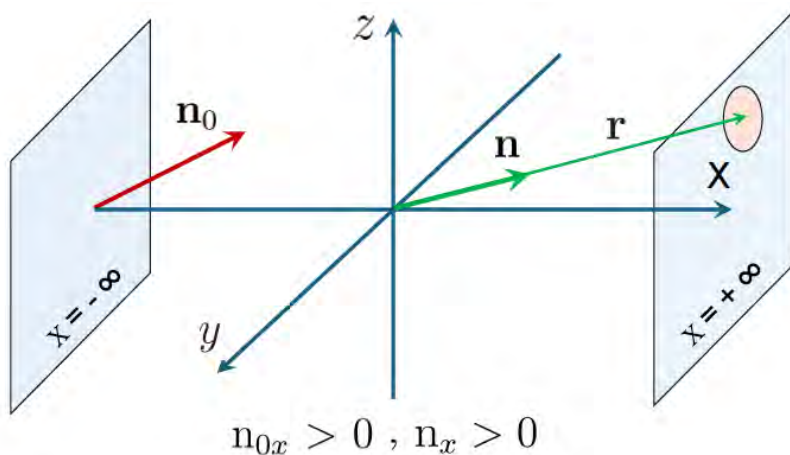
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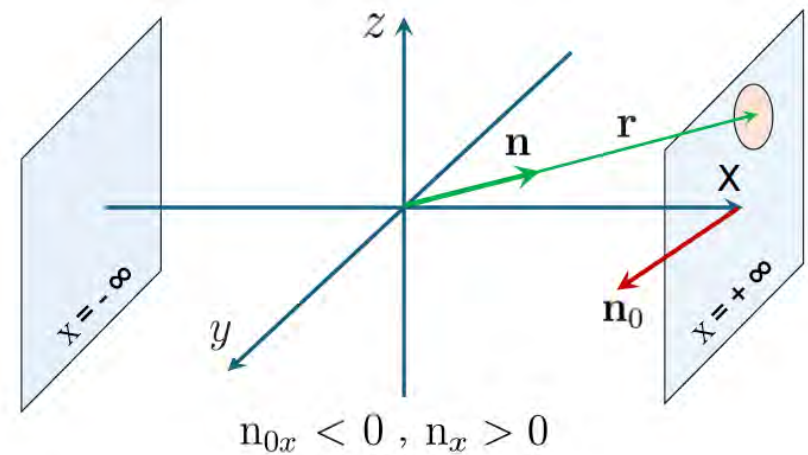
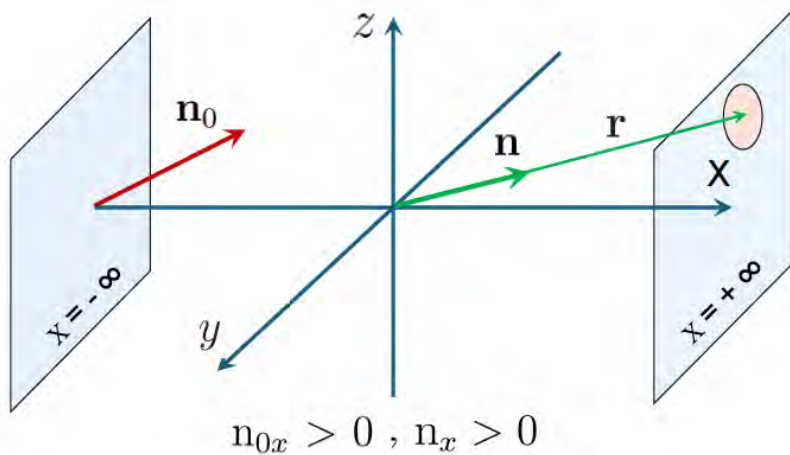
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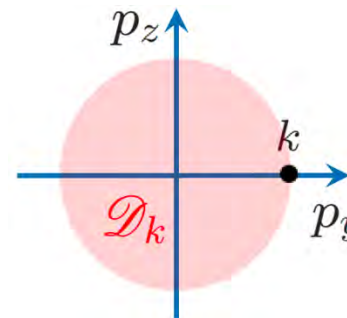
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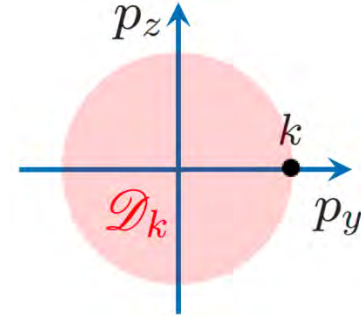
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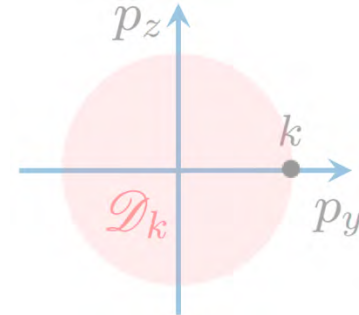
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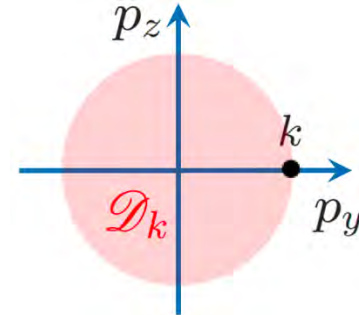
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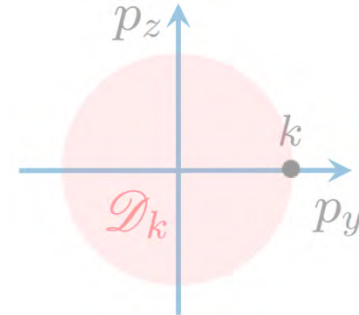
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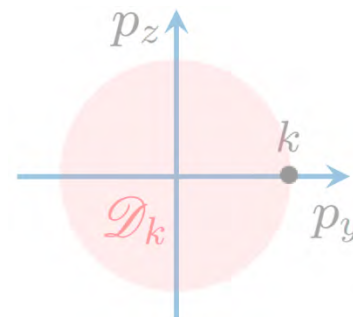
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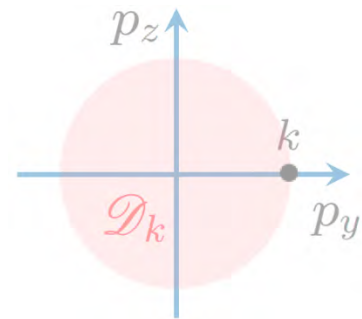
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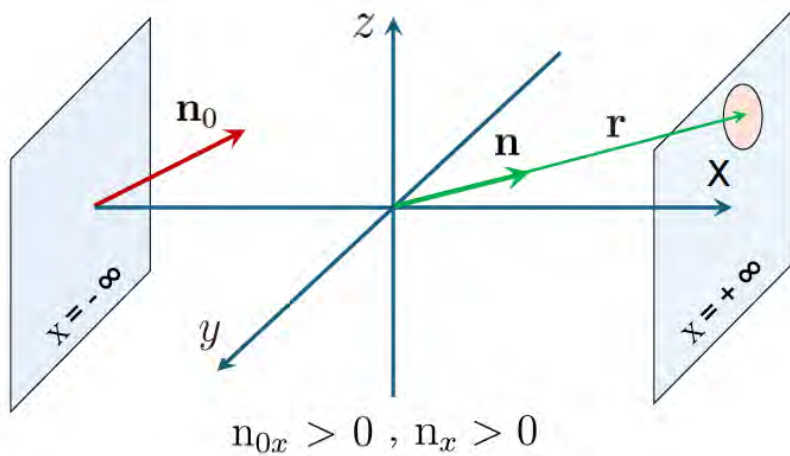


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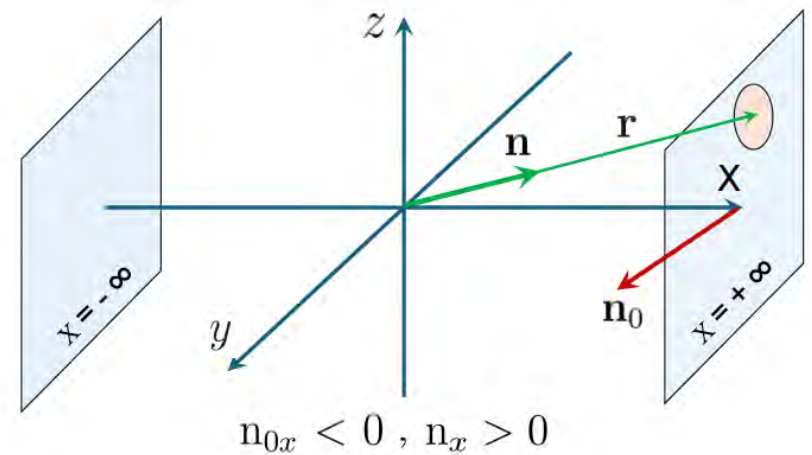
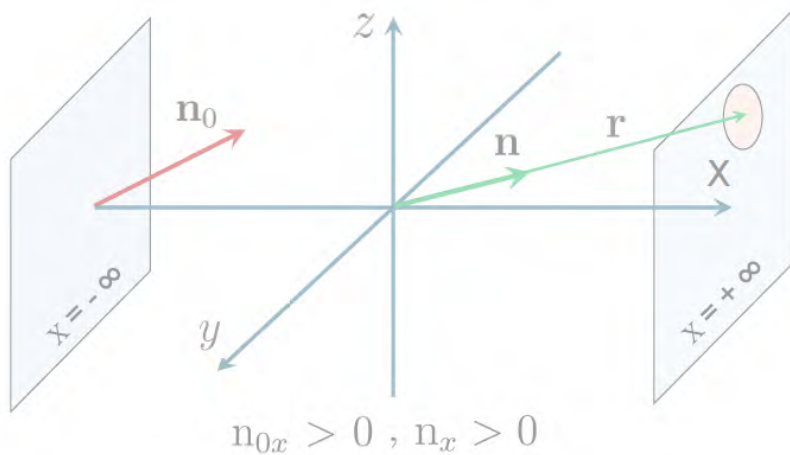
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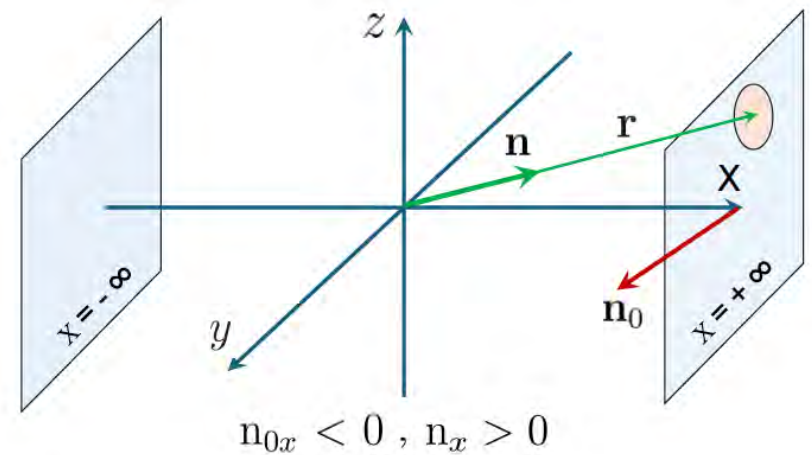
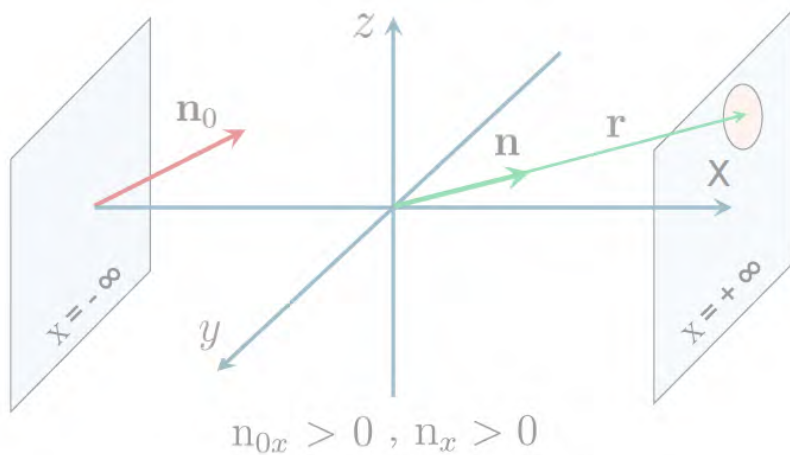
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