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L'04 - Worksheet - Reflection Ray Diagrams

Textbook Questions

Table 13.4 Absolute Refractive Indexes
(for Sodium Yellow Light, $\lambda = 589 \text{ nm}$)

Medium	Index of Refraction
vacuum	1.0000
air	1.0003
ice	1.31
water	1.33
ethanol	1.37
glycerin	1.47
quartz glass	1.47
crown glass	1.52
light flint glass	1.58
Lucite (plexiglass)	1.52
ruby	1.54
zircon	1.92
diamond	2.42

Pg 668 #1: Light passes from a diamond into air. The angle of refraction as the light emerges from the diamond is 25° . What was the angle of incidence?

$$n_d = 2.42 \quad n_{\text{air}} = 1.0003$$

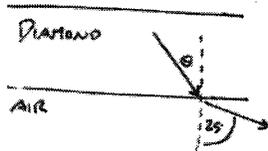
$$\theta_d = ? \quad \theta_{\text{air}} = 25^\circ$$

$$n_{\text{air}} \sin \theta_{\text{air}} = n_d \sin \theta_d$$

$$(1.0003) \sin 25^\circ = (2.42) \sin \theta_d$$

$$\sin \theta_d = 0.1747$$

$$\theta_d = 10.06^\circ$$



Pg 668 #2: Light travelling from air into a transparent material is incident at an angle of 20° and refracted at an angle of 17° . Determine the index of refraction of the transparent material.

$$\theta_i = 20^\circ \quad \theta_r = 17^\circ$$

$$n_i = 1.0003 \quad n_r = ?$$

$$n_i \sin \theta_i = n_r \sin \theta_r$$

$$(1.0003) \sin 20^\circ = n_r \sin 17^\circ$$

$$n_r = 1.17$$

Pg 668 #3: A ray of light passes from air into ruby at an incident angle of 15° . Calculate the angle of refraction.

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_i &= 15^\circ & \theta_r &=? \\ n_i &= 1.0003 & n_r &= 1.54 \\ n_i \sin \theta_i &= n_r \sin \theta_r \\ (1.0003) \sin 15^\circ &= 1.54 \sin \theta_r \\ \sin \theta_r &= 0.168 \\ \theta_r &= 9.67^\circ \end{aligned}$$

Pg 668 #4: A ray of light, travelling in air, is incident on an unknown sample at an angle of 20° . If the angle of refraction is 15° , determine the index of refraction for the unknown sample.

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_i &= 20^\circ & \theta_r &= 15^\circ \\ n_i &= 1.0003 & n_r &=? \\ n_i \sin \theta_i &= n_r \sin \theta_r \\ (1.0003) \sin 20^\circ &= n_r \sin 15^\circ \\ n_r &= 1.32 \end{aligned}$$

Pg 670 #2: Light with a wavelength of 737 nm enters quartz glass at an angle of 25.0° . Determine the angle of refraction and the wavelength of the light in the quartz glass.

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_1 &= 737 \text{ nm} & \lambda_2 &=? \\ \theta_1 &= 25.0^\circ & \theta_2 &=? \\ n_1 &= 1.0003 & n_2 &= 1.47 \\ n_1 \sin \theta_1 &= n_2 \sin \theta_2 \\ (1.0003) \sin 25^\circ &= (1.47) \sin \theta_2 \\ \theta_2 &= 16.71^\circ \\ n_1 \lambda_1 &= n_2 \lambda_2 \\ (1.0003)(737 \text{ nm}) &= (1.47) \lambda_2 \\ \lambda_2 &= 501.51 \text{ nm} \end{aligned}$$

(I'm assuming it was originally in air).

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Pg 670 #3: Light enters an unknown crystal from air with a wavelength of 500 nm. If the wavelength of the light in the crystal is found to be 450 nm, what is the refractive index of the crystal?

$$\begin{aligned}
 n_1 &= 1.0003 & n_1 \lambda_1 &= n_2 \lambda_2 \\
 \lambda_1 &= 500 \text{ nm} & (1.0003)(500 \text{ nm}) &= n_2 (450 \text{ nm}) \\
 \lambda_2 &= 450 \text{ nm} & n_2 &= 1.11 \\
 n_2 &=? & &
 \end{aligned}$$

Pg 673 #1: Determine the critical angle of the following interfaces:

- Water and air
- Diamond and air
- Diamond and water

$$\begin{aligned}
 n_{\text{water}} &= 1.33 \\
 n_{\text{air}} &= 1.0003 \\
 n_{\text{diamond}} &= 2.42
 \end{aligned}$$

(A) $n_w = 1.33$
 $n_a = 1.0003$
 $\theta_a = 90^\circ$
 $\theta_w = ?$

$$\begin{aligned}
 n_1 \sin \theta_1 &= n_2 \sin \theta_2 \\
 (1.33) \sin \theta_w &= (1.0003) \sin 90^\circ \\
 \theta_w &= 48.773^\circ
 \end{aligned}$$

(B) $n_d = 2.42$
 $\theta_d = ?$
 $n_a = 1.0003$
 $\theta_a = 90^\circ$

$$\begin{aligned}
 n_1 \sin \theta_1 &= n_2 \sin \theta_2 \\
 (2.42) \sin \theta_d &= (1.0003) \sin 90^\circ \\
 \theta_d &= 24.415^\circ
 \end{aligned}$$

(C) $n_d = 2.42$
 $\theta_d = ?$
 $n_w = 1.33$
 $\theta_w = 90^\circ$

$$\begin{aligned}
 n_1 \sin \theta_1 &= n_2 \sin \theta_2 \\
 (2.42) \sin \theta_d &= (1.33) \sin 90^\circ \\
 \theta_d &= 33.339^\circ
 \end{aligned}$$

Diploma Questions – Refraction (Basic Concepts)

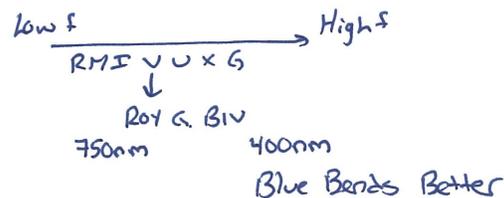
Q514: A ray of visible light passes from air into glass and undergoes a change in its

- a. Frequency and speed
- b.** Wavelength and speed
- c. Wavelength and frequency
- d. Frequency, wavelength, and speed

$$\frac{\sin \theta_1}{\sin \theta_2} = \frac{n_2}{n_1} = \frac{v_1}{v_2} = \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_2}$$

Q516: White light can be dispersed into its component colors because

- a. The speed of light is independent of wavelength
- b.** Long wavelengths refract less than short wavelengths
- c. Long wavelengths diffract more than short wavelengths
- d. Long wavelengths do not travel as fast as short wavelengths



Q520: Wavelength is **not** a good criterion for categorizing light because wavelength

- a. Is inversely proportional to frequency
- b. Is directly proportional to frequency
- c. Changes during diffraction
- d.** Changes during refraction

Diploma Questions – Refraction (Simple Calculations)

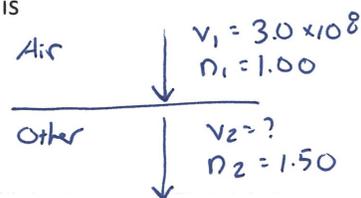
Q528: The speed of light in a medium with an index of refraction of 1.5 is

- a. 4.5×10^8 m/s
- b. 3.0×10^8 m/s
- c.** 2.0×10^8 m/s
- d. 1.5×10^8 m/s

$$\frac{n_2}{n_1} = \frac{v_1}{v_2}$$

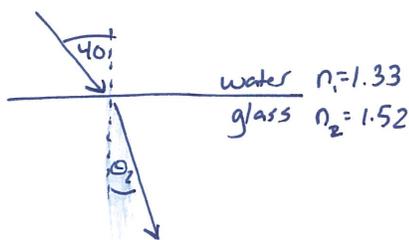
$$\frac{1.50}{1.00} = \frac{3.0 \times 10^8}{v_2}$$

$$v_2 = 2.0 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$



Q529: The refractive indices of water and glass are 1.33 and 1.52 respectively. If the angle of incidence is 40.0° for light travelling from water into glass, the angle of refraction is

- a. 47.3°
- b.** 34.2°
- c. 28.9°
- d. 25.0°



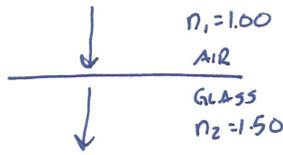
$$\frac{\sin \theta_1}{\sin \theta_2} = \frac{n_2}{n_1}$$

$$\frac{\sin 40}{\sin \theta_2} = \frac{1.52}{1.33}$$

$$\theta_2 = 34.2^\circ$$

Q537: In glass ($n = 1.50$), a certain infra-red source has a wavelength of 8.00×10^{-7} m. Its frequency is

- a. 8.44×10^{14} Hz
- b. 5.63×10^{14} Hz
- c. 3.75×10^{14} Hz
- d. 2.50×10^{14} Hz**



$$\frac{n_2}{n_1} = \frac{v_1}{v_2} \quad \frac{1.50}{1.00} = \frac{3.0 \times 10^8}{v_2}$$

$$v_2 = 2.0 \times 10^8$$

$$v = f\lambda$$

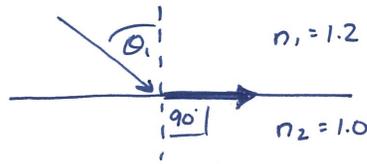
$$(2.0 \times 10^8) = f(8.00 \times 10^{-7})$$

$$f = 2.50 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$$

Diploma Questions – Refraction (Total Internal Reflection)

Q548: A ray of light passes through a medium that has a refractive index of 1.2. An angle of refraction of 90° in air will occur when the angle of incidence in the medium is

- a. 75°
- b. 56°**
- c. 34°
- d. 15°



$$\frac{n_2}{n_1} = \frac{\sin \theta_1}{\sin \theta_2}$$

$$\frac{1.0}{1.2} = \frac{\sin \theta_1}{\sin 90}$$

$$\theta_1 = 56.44^\circ$$

Use the following information to answer Q550:

The diagram shows an equilateral glass prism with all angles 60° and refractive index $n = 1.6$. It is surrounded by air with $n = 1.0$. A ray enters the left face at angle θ_1 , refracts to angle θ_2 inside the prism. It then reflects off the right face at angle θ_3 and exits the bottom face at angle θ_4 . Handwritten calculations to the right of the prism are as follows:

$$\frac{\sin \theta_3}{\sin 90} = \frac{1.00}{1.60}$$

$$\theta_3 = 38.68^\circ$$

$$\theta_2 = 21.32^\circ$$

$$\frac{\sin \theta_1}{\sin \theta_2} = \frac{n_2}{n_1}$$

$$\frac{\sin \theta_1}{\sin 21.32} = \frac{1.6}{1.0}$$

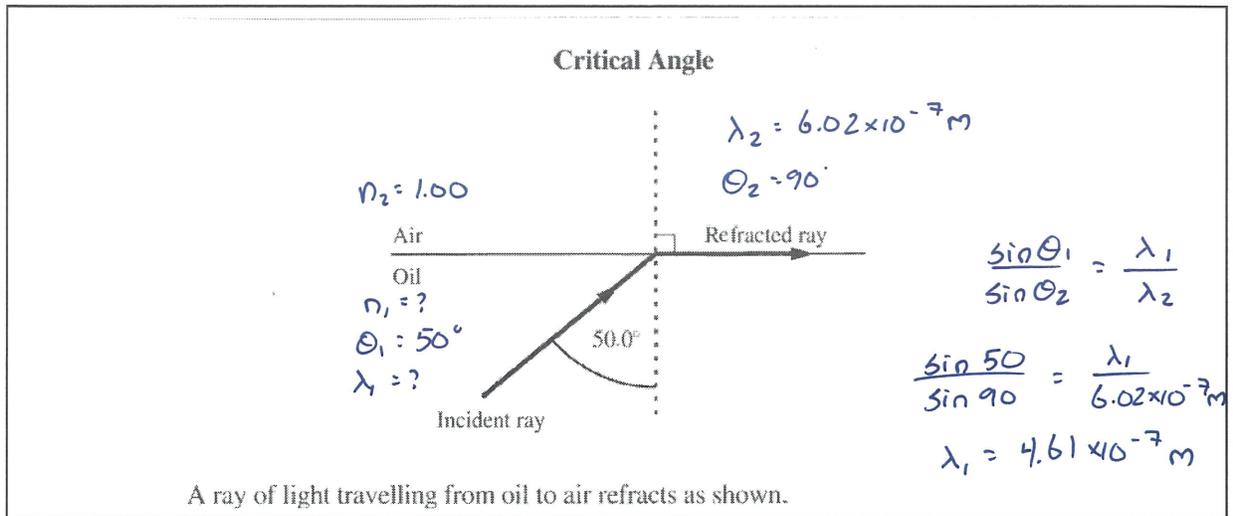
$$\theta_1 = 35.57^\circ$$

A ray of monochromatic light enters a glass prism and follows the path shown.

Q550: The angle of incidence at the first interface is

- a. 13°
- b. 21°
- c. 36°**
- d. 39°

Use the following information to answer Q551:

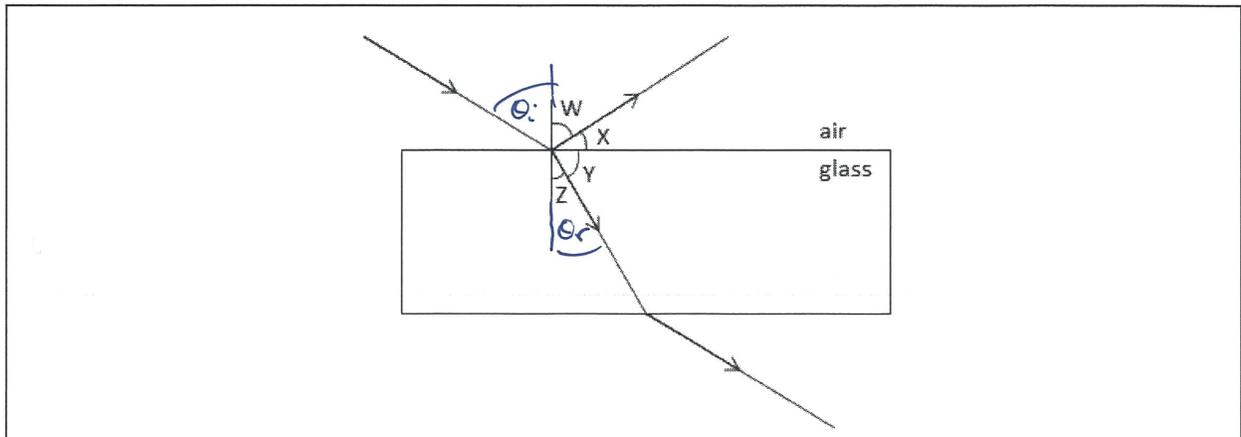


Q551: If the wavelength of the light is $6.02 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$ in air, its wavelength in oil was

- a. $7.86 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$
- b. $6.02 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$
- c.** $4.61 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$
- d. $3.87 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$

Diploma Questions – Refraction (Refraction Diagrams)

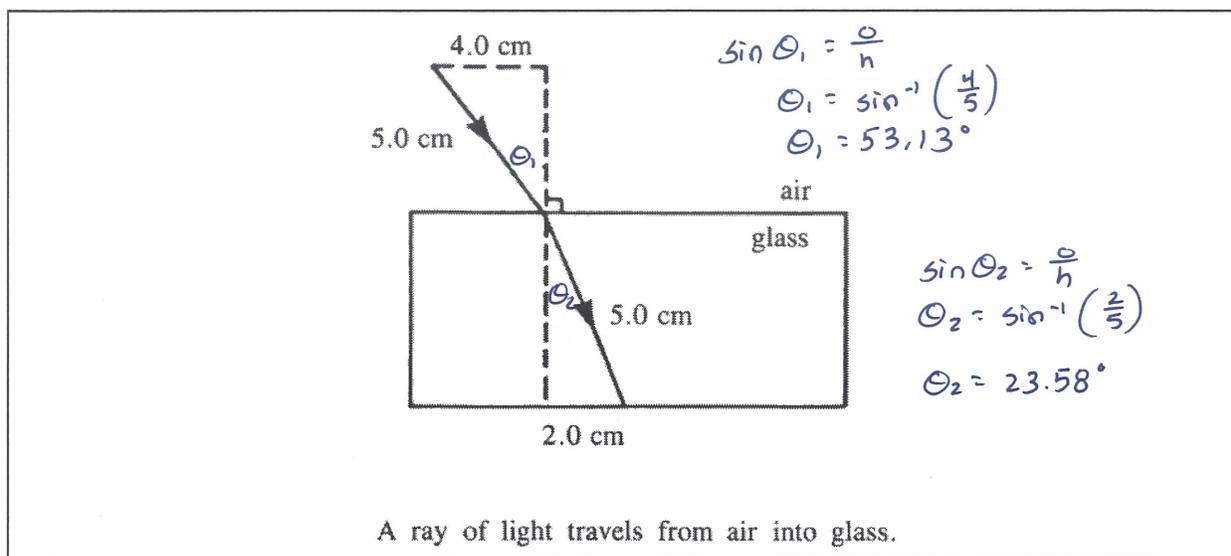
Use the following information to answer Q552:



Q552: The angle of refraction is

- a. W
- b. X
- c. Y
- d.** Z

Use the following information to answer Q559:



$$\sin \theta_1 = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\theta_1 = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{4}{5} \right)$$

$$\theta_1 = 53.13^\circ$$

$$\sin \theta_2 = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$\theta_2 = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{2}{5} \right)$$

$$\theta_2 = 23.58^\circ$$

Q559: The speed of light in the glass is

- a. 1.5×10^8 m/s
- b. 2.0×10^8 m/s
- c. 2.3×10^8 m/s
- d. 2.6×10^8 m/s

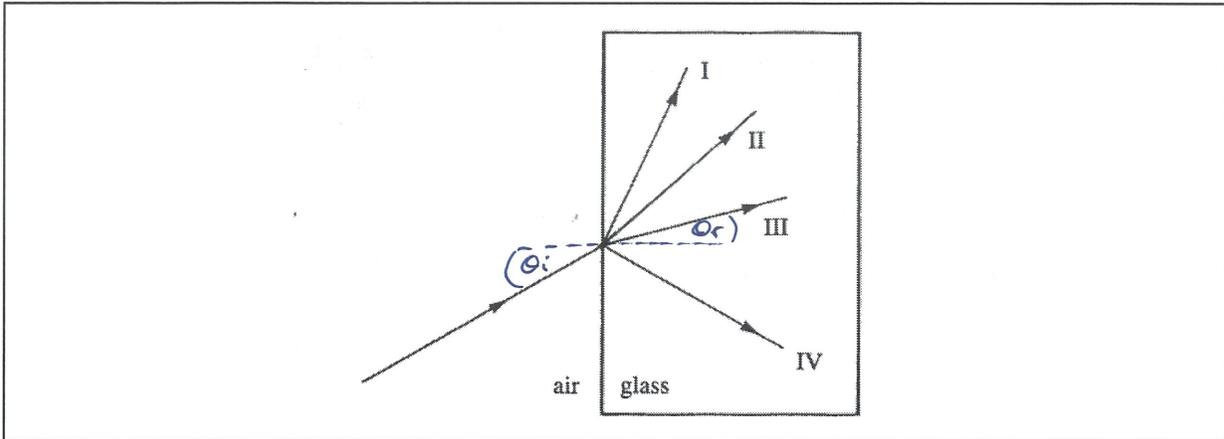
$$\frac{\sin \theta_1}{\sin \theta_2} = \frac{v_1}{v_2}$$

$$\frac{\sin 53.13}{\sin 23.58} = \frac{3.0 \times 10^8}{v_2}$$

$$v_2 = 1.50 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

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Use the following information to answer Q560:

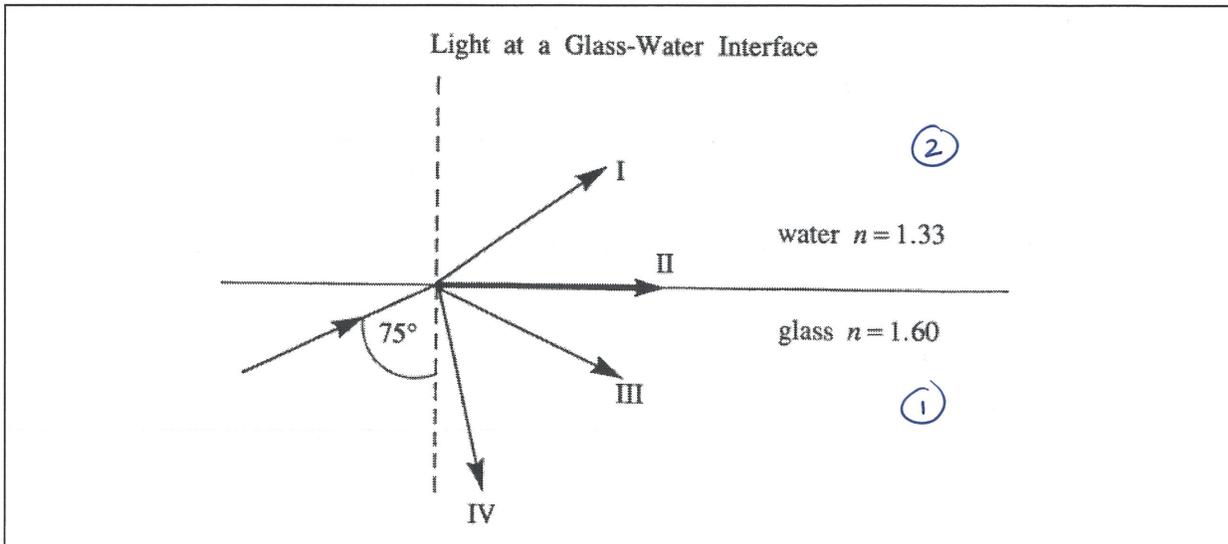


Q560: The most probable refracted ray is represented by path

- a. I
- b. II
- c. III
- d. IV

Slows down and bends toward the normal.

Use the following information to answer Q561:



Q561: The correct path of the ray is shown by

- a. I
- b. II
- c. III
- d. IV

$$\frac{\sin \theta_1}{\sin \theta_2} = \frac{n_2}{n_1}$$

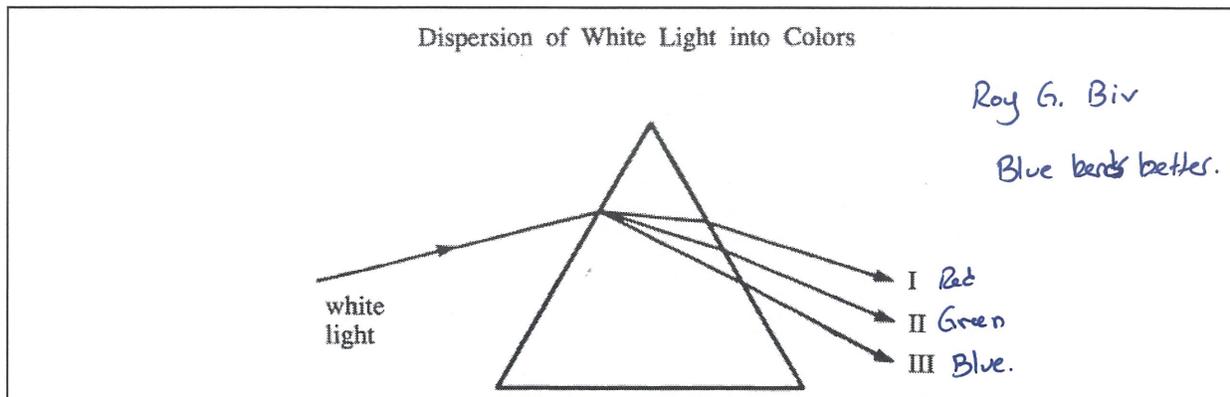
$$\frac{\sin 75}{\sin \theta_2} = \frac{1.33}{1.60}$$

$$\theta_2 = \text{Undefined.}$$

Okay, common sense time. Going into smaller index of refraction, so bends away from normal. Can't be I. So II. or III. If 90°, then actually experiences total internal reflection, so III it is.

Diploma Questions – Refraction (Multiple Frequencies)

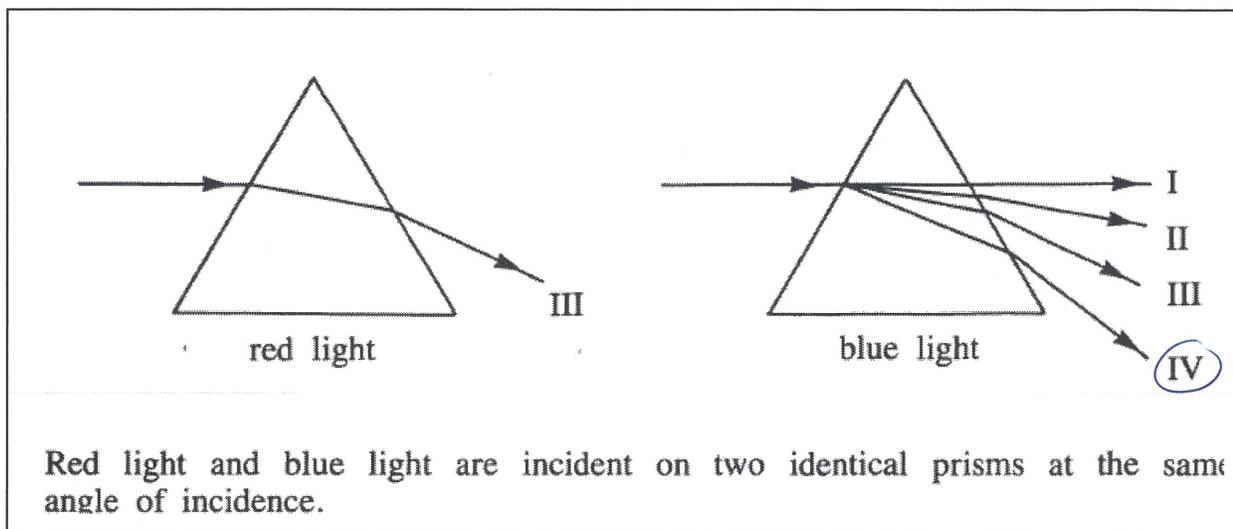
Use the following information to answer Q570:



Q570: The colors of rays I, II, and III respectively are most likely to be

- a. Red, green, blue
- b. Red, violet, blue
- c. Blue, yellow, red
- d. Violet, green, blue

Use the following information to answer Q571:



Q571: Which ray represents the path taken by the refracted blue light?

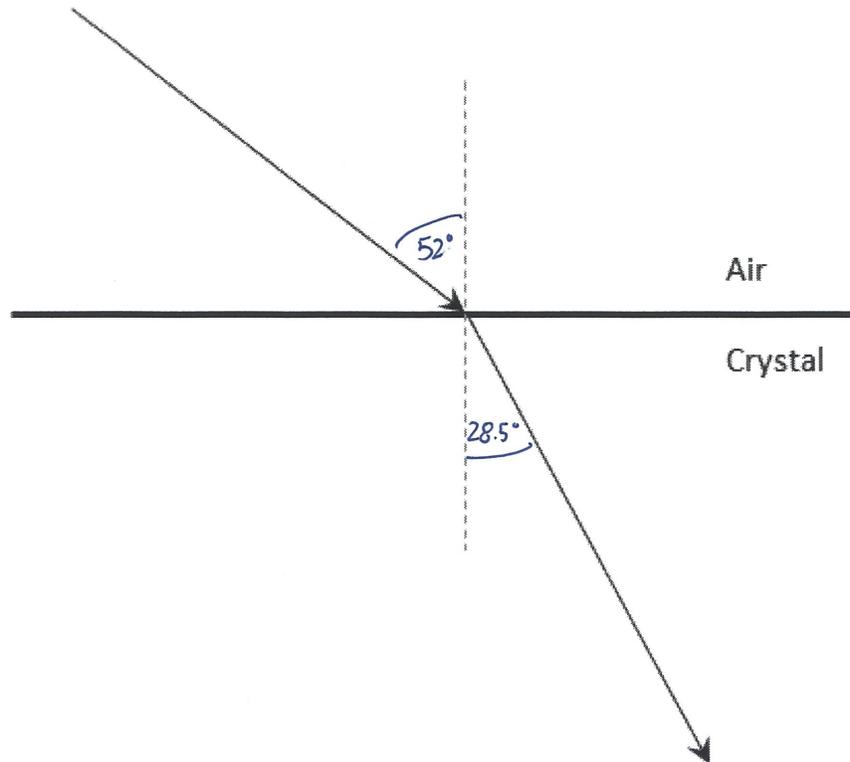
- a. I
- b. II
- c. III
- d. IV

Blue bends better.

Challenge Questions

Use the following information to answer Q1:

Light passes from air to a crystal with an unknown index of refraction.



Note: The diagram is drawn to scale.

Angles measured with a protractor.

Q1: The index of refraction of the crystal is _____.

(Record your **three-digit** answer in the numerical response boxes below.)

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

$$(1.00)(\sin 52) = n_2 (\sin 28.5)$$

$$n_2 = 1.65$$