

# Electro-Optics:

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# Quadratic Electro-Optic Effect

Permutation symmetries:

$$\rightarrow S_{ijkl} = S_{jikl}$$

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$$4 = (23) = (32), 5 = (13) = (31), 6 = (12) = (21)$$

$$\rightarrow s_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} s_{11} & s_{12} & s_{13} & s_{14} & s_{15} & s_{16} \\ s_{21} & s_{22} & s_{23} & s_{24} & s_{25} & s_{26} \\ s_{31} & s_{32} & s_{33} & s_{34} & s_{35} & s_{36} \\ s_{41} & s_{42} & s_{43} & s_{44} & s_{45} & s_{46} \\ s_{51} & s_{52} & s_{53} & s_{54} & s_{55} & s_{56} \\ s_{61} & s_{62} & s_{63} & s_{64} & s_{65} & s_{66} \end{pmatrix}$$

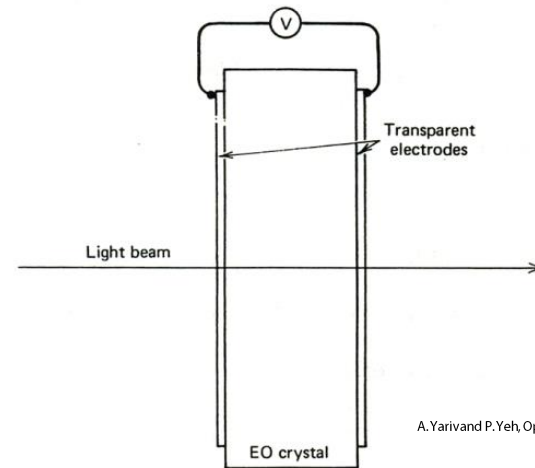
Index ellipsoid:  $\rightarrow \eta_{ij}(\mathbf{E}) = \eta_{ij}(0) + r_{ijk} E_k + s_{ijkl} E_k E_l$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow & x^2 \left( \frac{1}{n_x^2} + s_{11} E_x^2 + s_{12} E_y^2 + s_{13} E_z^2 + 2s_{14} E_y E_z + 2s_{15} E_z E_x + 2s_{16} E_x E_y \right) \\ & + y^2 \left( \frac{1}{n_y^2} + s_{21} E_x^2 + s_{22} E_y^2 + s_{23} E_z^2 + 2s_{24} E_y E_z + 2s_{25} E_z E_x + 2s_{26} E_x E_y \right) \\ & + z^2 \left( \frac{1}{n_z^2} + s_{31} E_x^2 + s_{32} E_y^2 + s_{33} E_z^2 + 2s_{34} E_y E_z + 2s_{35} E_z E_x + 2s_{36} E_x E_y \right) \\ & + 2yz (s_{41} E_x^2 + s_{42} E_y^2 + s_{43} E_z^2 + 2s_{44} E_y E_z + 2s_{45} E_z E_x + 2s_{46} E_x E_y) \\ & + 2zx (s_{51} E_x^2 + s_{52} E_y^2 + s_{53} E_z^2 + 2s_{54} E_y E_z + 2s_{55} E_z E_x + 2s_{56} E_x E_y) \\ & + 2xy (s_{61} E_x^2 + s_{62} E_y^2 + s_{63} E_z^2 + 2s_{64} E_y E_z + 2s_{65} E_z E_x + 2s_{66} E_x E_y) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

# Electro-Optic Light Modulators

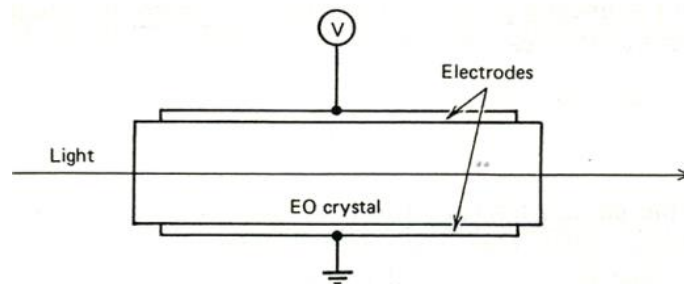
Longitudinal electro-optic modulation:

→ Large acceptance area with a thin EO crystal plate



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Transverse electro-optic modulation:

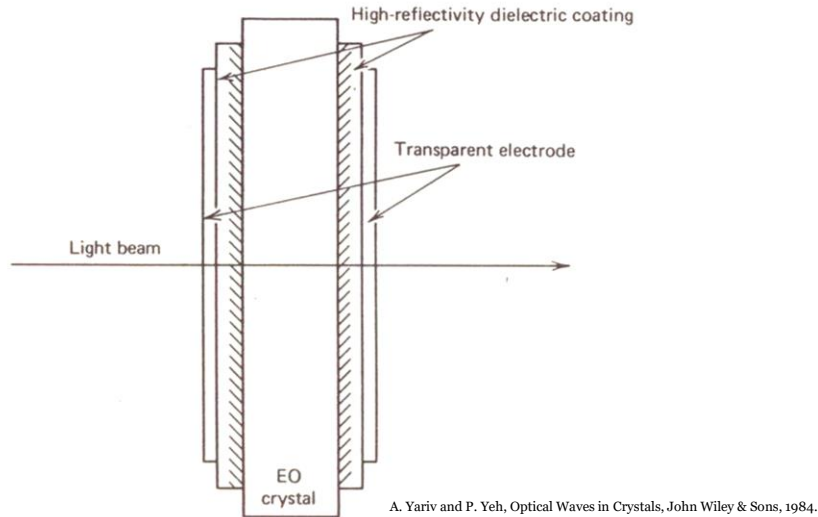


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→ Long interaction length at a given field strength

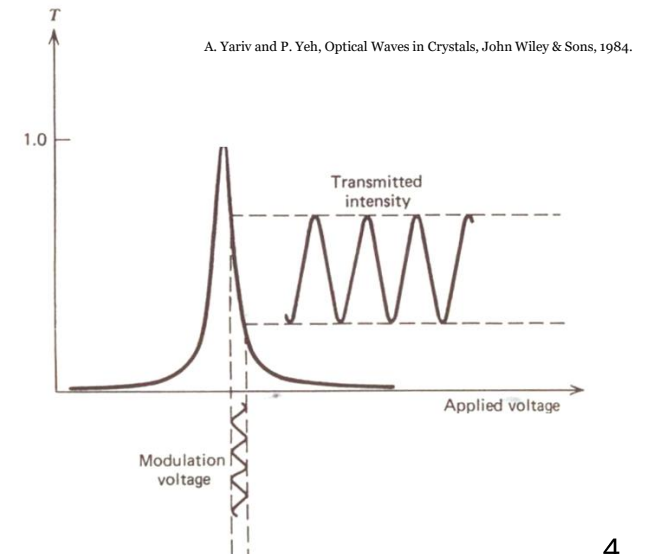
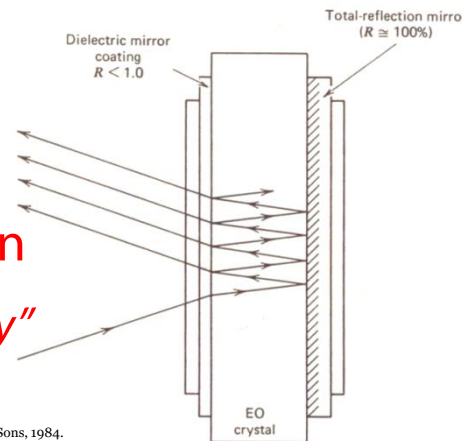
# Electro-Optic Fabry-Perot Modulators

Electro-optic amplitude modulator:



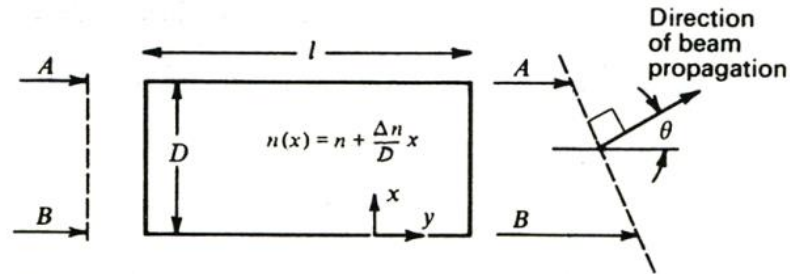
Transmission as a function of applied voltage:

→ Gires-Tournois etalon  
*"Phase modulation only"*

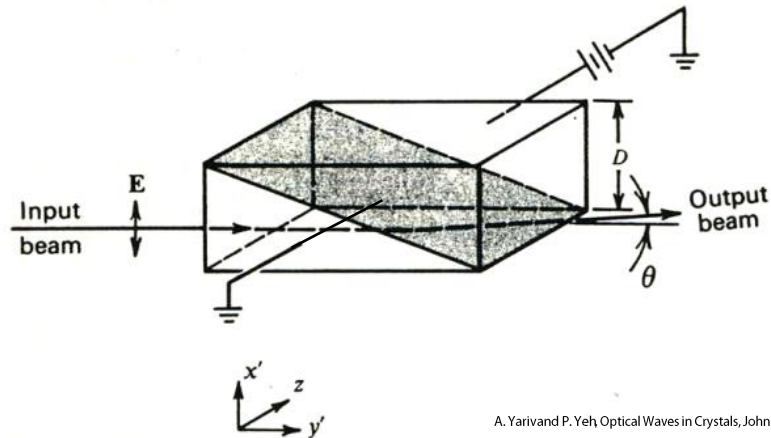


# Electro-Optic Beam Deflectors

Double-prism KDP beam deflectors:



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# Electro-Optic Property of Liquid Crystal

## Liquid crystals:

Liquid crystal phases: smectic, nematic, and cholesteric

Nematic LC: uniaxial dipole moment

→ Dynamic director alignment along the applied electric field

→ Switching time: ~msec

## Twisted nematic LC in liquid crystal displays (LCDs)