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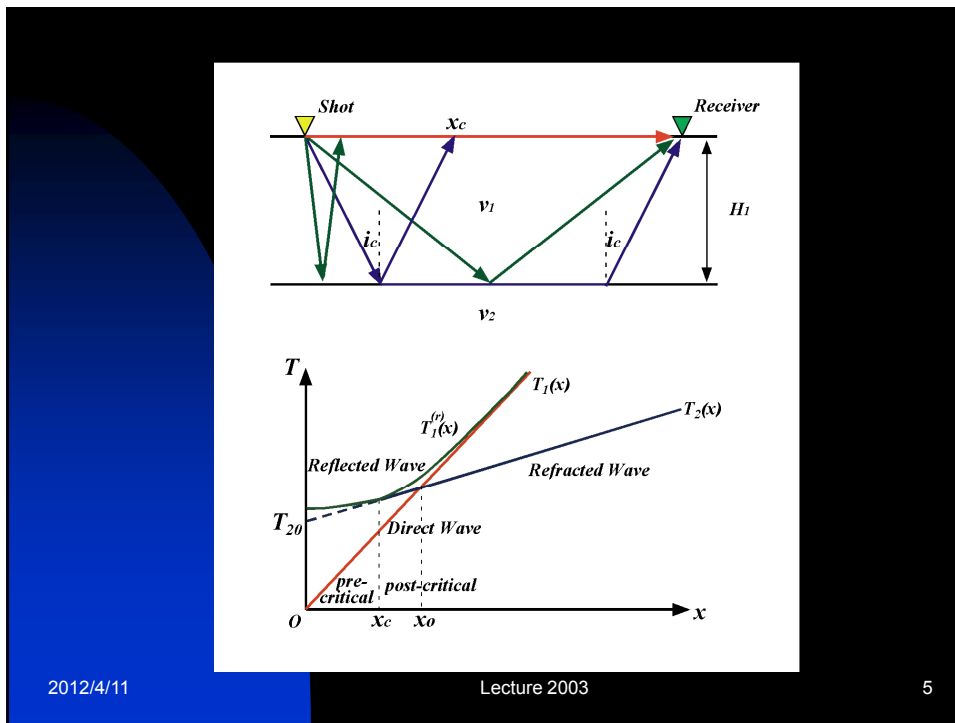
## 2.1 The Slope-Intercept Time Method

- Horizontally two-layered case  
(e.g. Palmer, 1986)
- Dipping layer case (e.g. Palmer, 1986)
- Horizontally multi-layered case  
(Kennet, 1976)

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Direct wave :  $T_1(x) = x / v_1$ .

Refracted wave :  $T_2(x) = x / v_2 + T_{20}$ ,

where  $T_{20} = 2H_1(1 - v_1^2 / v_2^2)^{1/2} / v_1$  (intercept time).

Reflected wave :  $T_1^{(r)}(x) = 2(H_1^2 + x^2 / 4)^{1/2} / v_1$ .

Critical angle :  $i_c = \sin^{-1}(v_1 / v_2)$ .

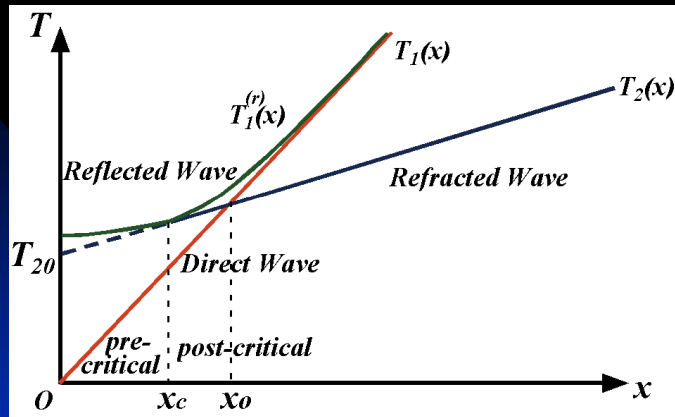
Critical distance :  $x_c = 2H_1 \tan i_c = 2H_1 / (v_2^2 / v_1^2 - 1)^{-1/2}$ .

Crossover distance :  $x_0 = 2H_1(v_2 + v_1)^{1/2} / (v_2 - v_1)^{1/2}$ .

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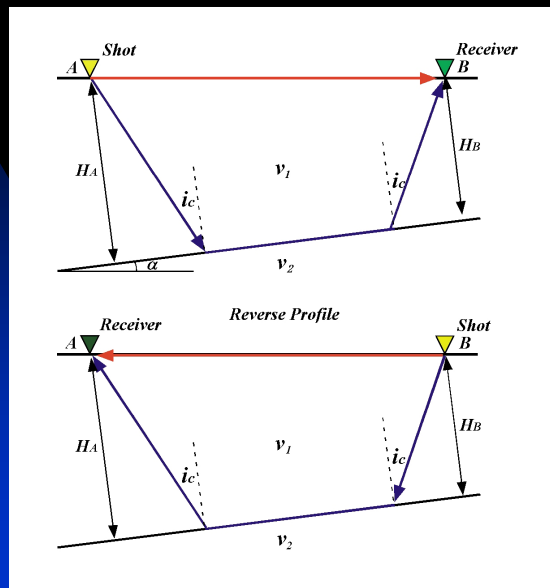


- (1) Slope of direct wave :  $1/v_1 \rightarrow v_1$ .
- (2) Slope of refracted wave :  $1/v_2 \rightarrow v_2$ .
- (3) Intercept time :  $H_1$  using  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ .

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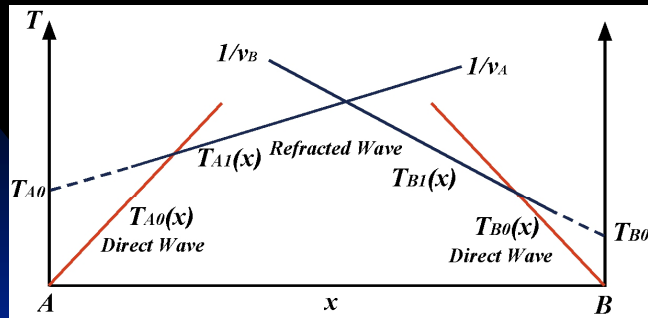
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$$T_{A0}(x) = x / v_1,$$

$$T_{A1}(x) = x / v_A + T_{A0},$$

where  $v_A = v_1 / \sin(i_c - \alpha)$  and  $T_{A0} = 2H_A(1 - v_1^2/v_2^2)^{1/2} / v_1$ .

$$T_{B0}(x) = x / v_1,$$

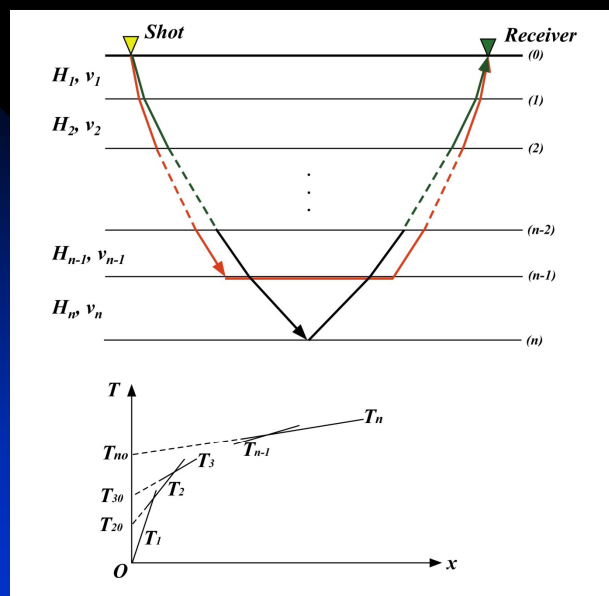
$$T_{B1}(x) = x / v_B + T_{B0},$$

where  $v_B = v_1 / \sin(i_c + \alpha)$  and  $T_{B0} = 2H_B(1 - v_1^2/v_2^2)^{1/2} / v_1$ .

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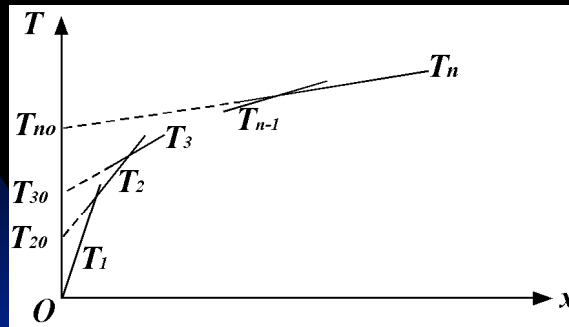
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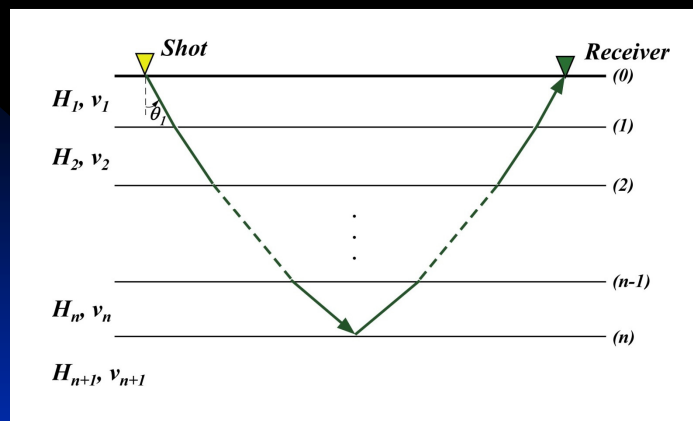
Travel time of the n-th segment :  $T_n(x) = x / v_n + T_{n0}$ ,

where  $T_{n0} = \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} 2H_j(1 - v_j^2 / v_n^2)^{1/2} / v_j$ .

(1) Slope :  $1/v_n \rightarrow v_n$ .

(2) Intercept time :  $T_{n0} \rightarrow H_{n-1}$

with aids of  $v_j$  ( $j = 1, \dots, n-1$ ) and  $H_j$  ( $j = 1, \dots, n-2$ ).



$$T_n^{(r)}(p) = 2 \sum_{j=1}^n H_j / v_j (1 - p^2 v_j^2)^{1/2}, \quad x(p) = 2 \sum_{j=1}^n p v_j H_j / (1 - p^2 v_j^2)^{1/2},$$

where  $p = \sin(\theta_1) / v_1$ .

Exact

$$(T_1^{(r)}(x))^2 = (2H_1/v_1)^2 + x^2/v_1^2 \text{ for } n=1.$$

Approximation

$$(T_n^{(r)}(x))^2 = (T_{n0}^{(r)})^2 + x^2/\bar{V}_n^2,$$

$$\text{where } T_{n0}^{(r)} = 2 \sum_{j=1}^n H_j/v_j = 2 \sum_{j=1}^n \Delta t_j,$$

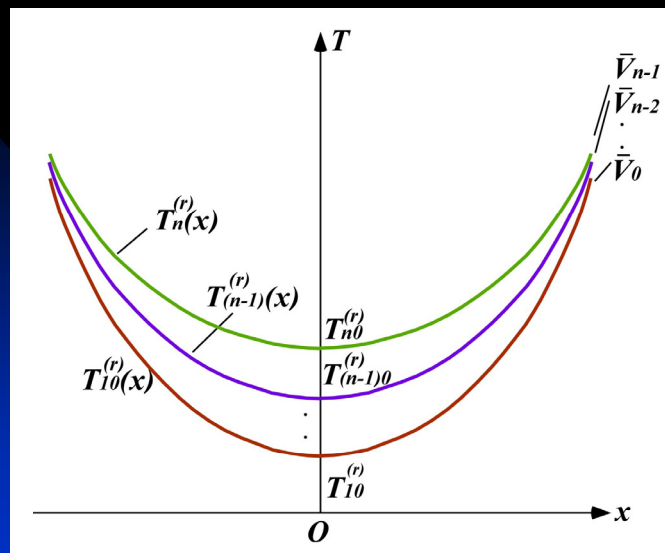
$$\text{and } \bar{V}_n^2 = 2 \sum_{j=1}^n v_j H_j / \sum_{j=1}^n H_j/v_j = 2 \sum_{j=1}^n v_j^2 \Delta t_j / \sum_{j=1}^n \Delta t_j,$$

$$\text{with } \Delta t_j = H_j/v_j.$$

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$$T_{n0}^{(r)} \bar{V}_n^2 - T_{(n-1)0}^{(r)} \bar{V}_{n-1}^2 = 2v_n^2 \Delta t_n = v_n^2 (T_{n0}^{(r)} - T_{(n-1)0}^{(r)}),$$

$$T_{n0}^{(r)} \bar{V}_n^2 - T_{(n-1)0}^{(r)} \bar{V}_{n-1}^2 = 2H_n v_n$$

$$\hat{V}_n^2 = (T_{n0}^{(r)} \bar{V}_n^2 - T_{(n-1)0}^{(r)} \bar{V}_{n-1}^2) / (T_{n0}^{(r)} - T_{(n-1)0}^{(r)}) \rightarrow v_n^2,$$

$$\hat{H}_n = (T_{n0}^{(r)} \bar{V}_n^2 - T_{(n-1)0}^{(r)} \bar{V}_{n-1}^2) / 2\hat{V}_n \rightarrow H_n$$

or

$$\hat{H}_n = (T_{n0}^{(r)} - T_{(n-1)0}^{(r)}) \hat{V}_{n-1} / 2 \rightarrow H_n.$$

$\bar{V}_n$  : RMS velocity,  $\hat{V}_n$  : Interval velocity.

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## 2.2 Asymptotic Ray Theory

- Elastodynamic equation
- High-frequency solutions
- Basic equations of the ray method
  - ◆ Eikonal equation
  - ◆ Transport equation

(Cerveny and Ravindra, 1971; Cerveny, Molotkov, & Psencik, 1977, Cerveny, 1985)

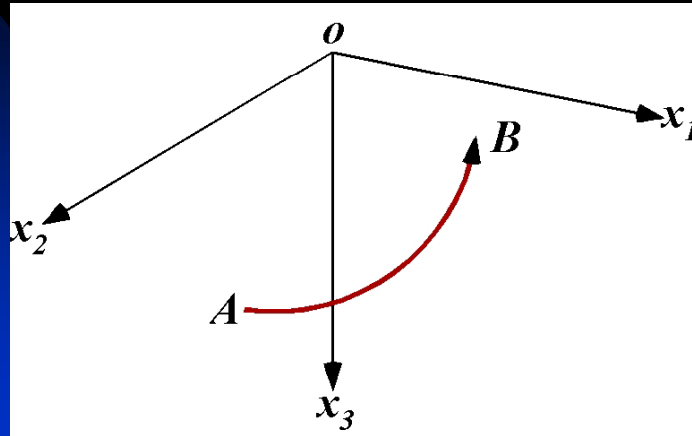
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## Geometry and coordinate system



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## Elastodynamic Equation

$$\sigma_{ij,j} = \rho u_{i,tt},$$

$$\text{with } \sigma_{ij} = \lambda \delta_{ij} u_{k,k} + \mu (u_{i,j} + u_{j,i}).$$

### High-Frequency Solutions

$$u_i = \exp[-i\omega(t - \tau)] \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} U_i^{(n)} (-i\omega)^{-n}.$$

$$\rightarrow u_i = U_i \exp[-i\omega(t - \tau)].$$

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$$(i\omega)^2 N_i(\vec{U}) + (i\omega)M_i(\vec{U}) \doteq 0,$$

where

$$N_i(\vec{U}) = U_j [(\lambda + \mu)\tau_{,i}\tau_{,j} + \mu\delta_{ij}\tau_{,k}\tau_{,k} - \rho\delta_{ij}],$$

$$M_i(\vec{U}) = (\lambda + \mu)(\tau_{,i}U_{j,j} + \tau_{,j}U_{j,i} + U_j\tau_{,ij}) + \mu(2\tau_{,j}U_{i,j} + U_i\tau_{,jj}) \\ + \lambda_{,i}\tau_{,j}U_j + \mu_{,j}(\tau_{,j}U_i + \tau_{,i}U_j).$$

$$N_i(\vec{U}) = 0, \\ M_i(\vec{U}) = 0.$$

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## Eikonal Equation

$$N_i(\vec{U}) = 0.$$

$$\rightarrow U_j(\Gamma_{ij} - \delta_{ij}) = 0.$$

$$\text{where } \Gamma_{ij} = \frac{\lambda + \mu}{\rho}\tau_{,i}\tau_{,j} + \frac{\mu}{\rho}\delta_{ij}\tau_{,k}\tau_{,k}.$$

$$\det(\Gamma_{ij} - \delta_{ij}) = 0.$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\mu}{\rho}\tau_{,k}\tau_{,k} = V_S^2\tau_{,k}\tau_{,k} = 1, \quad \frac{\lambda + 2\mu}{\rho}\tau_{,k}\tau_{,k} = V_P^2\tau_{,k}\tau_{,k} = 1.$$

Eikonal Equation

$$\tau_{,k}\tau_{,k} = 1/V_S^2, \quad \tau_{,k}\tau_{,k} = 1/V_P^2.$$

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## Transport Equation

$$M_i(\vec{U}) = 0.$$

$$\rightarrow \vec{U} = U_1^{(q)} \mathbf{e}_1 + U_2^{(q)} \mathbf{e}_2 + U_3^{(q)} \mathbf{t}.$$

$$\vec{U} = U_3^{(q)} \mathbf{t} \quad \text{for P waves,}$$

$$\vec{U} = U_1^{(q)} \mathbf{e}_1 + U_2^{(q)} \mathbf{e}_2 \quad \text{for S waves.}$$

$$M_i(\vec{U}) \cdot \mathbf{t} = 0 \quad \text{for P waves,}$$

$$M_i(\vec{U}) \cdot \mathbf{e}_1 = M_i(\vec{U}) \cdot \mathbf{e}_2 = 0 \quad \text{for S waves.}$$

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$$\rightarrow \frac{dU_i^{(q)}}{ds} + \frac{1}{2} U_i^{(q)} \left\{ v \nabla^2 \tau + \frac{d}{ds} \ln(\rho v^2) \right\} = 0.$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{dU_i^{(q)}}{ds} + \frac{1}{2} U_i^{(q)} \left( \frac{v}{J} \frac{d}{ds} \left( \frac{J}{v} \right) + \frac{d}{ds} \ln(\rho v^2) \right) = 0,$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{dU_i^{(q)}}{ds} + \frac{1}{2} U_i^{(q)} \frac{d}{ds} \ln(J \rho v) = 0,$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{d}{ds} \left( \sqrt{J \rho v} U_i^{(q)} \right) = 0.$$

$$U_i^{(q)}(s) = \frac{\Psi_1}{[v(s) \rho(s) J(s)]^{1/2}} \cdot \text{Geometrical spreading}$$

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## Ray Tube

$$J = \begin{vmatrix} \partial x_1 / \partial \gamma_1 & \partial x_2 / \partial \gamma_1 & \partial x_3 / \partial \gamma_1 \\ \partial x_1 / \partial \gamma_2 & \partial x_2 / \partial \gamma_2 & \partial x_3 / \partial \gamma_2 \\ \partial x_1 / \partial s & \partial x_2 / \partial s & \partial x_3 / \partial s \end{vmatrix}.$$

$$d\vec{\sigma}_w = \left( \frac{\partial \vec{x}}{\partial \gamma_1} \times \frac{\partial \vec{x}}{\partial \gamma_2} \right) d\gamma_1 d\gamma_2,$$

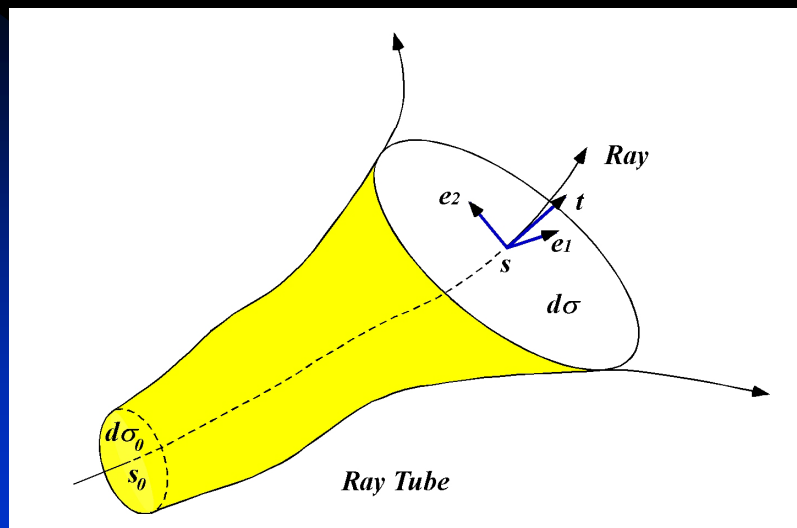
$$d\sigma = d\vec{\sigma}_w \cdot \mathbf{t} = J d\gamma_1 d\gamma_2.$$

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## Geometrical spreading



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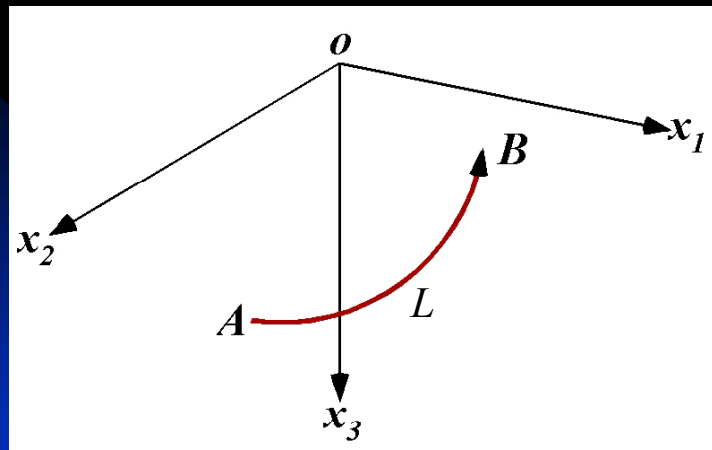
## 2.3 Ray Tracing

- Fermat's principle
- Euler's equations  
(e.g. Courant & Hilbert, 1966; Julian and Gubbins, 1977)
- Examples (Iwasaki, 1988)

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$$\text{travel time : } T = \int_L ds / v.$$

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Eikonal equation :  $\tau_{,k} \tau_{,k} = 1/v^2$ .

Fermat's principle :  $T = \int_L ds/v \rightarrow$  stationary.

$\rightarrow$  Euler's equations.

$$\frac{d}{ds} \left[ \frac{1}{v} \left( \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{ds} \right) \right] = \nabla \left( \frac{1}{v} \right),$$

or

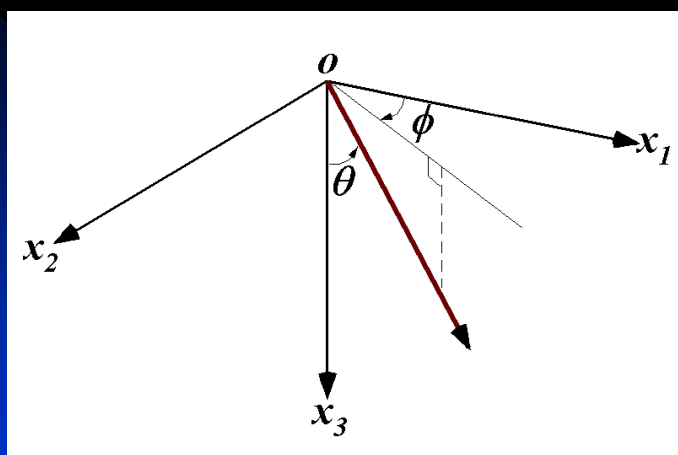
$$\frac{d}{dt} \left[ \frac{1}{v^2} \left( \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} \right) \right] = v \nabla \left( \frac{1}{v} \right) = -\frac{1}{v} \nabla v,$$

where  $ds = v dt$ .

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$$\frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} \equiv \mathbf{r}' = \begin{bmatrix} v \cos \phi \sin \theta \\ v \sin \phi \sin \theta \\ v \cos \theta \end{bmatrix},$$

and

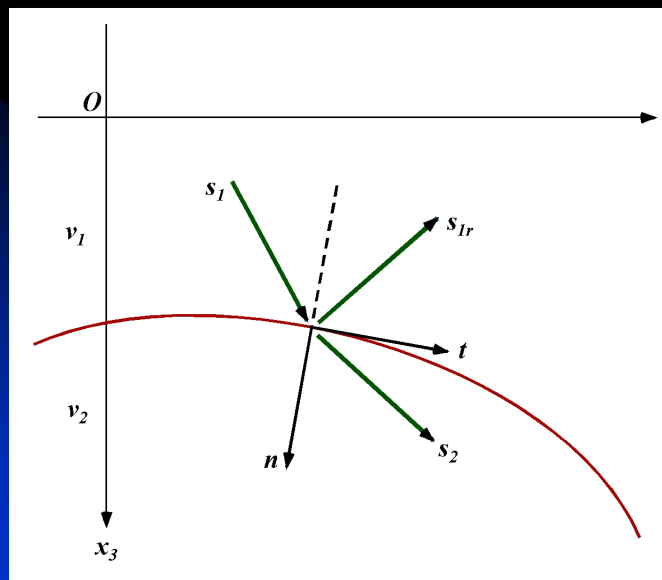
$$\phi' = (v_{,1} \sin \phi - v_{,2} \cos \phi) / \sin \theta.$$

$$\theta' = -(v_{,1} \cos \phi + v_{,2} \sin \phi) \cos \theta + v_{,3} \sin \theta.$$

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$$\mathbf{s} \equiv \frac{\mathbf{r}'}{v^2} \text{ (slowness vector).}$$

$$s^{(t)} = \mathbf{s} \cdot \mathbf{t} \text{ (tangential), } s^{(n)} = \mathbf{s} \cdot \mathbf{n} \text{ (normal).}$$

$$\text{Snell's law : } \mathbf{s}_1 \cdot \mathbf{t} = \mathbf{s}_2 \cdot \mathbf{t} = \mathbf{s}_{1r} \cdot \mathbf{t}.$$

$$\rightarrow s_2^{(t)} = s_1^{(t)},$$

$$s_2^{(n)} = \left[ 1/v_2^2 - (s_2^{(t)})^2 \right]^{1/2} \left[ s_1^{(n)} / |s_1^{(n)}| \right] \text{ (refraction)}$$

and

$$s_{1r}^{(t)} = s_1^{(t)}, s_{1r}^{(n)} = -s_1^{(n)} \text{ (reflection).}$$