

Physics/ Grade 10



Unit Three – Optics

Chapter 11 – Refraction of Light

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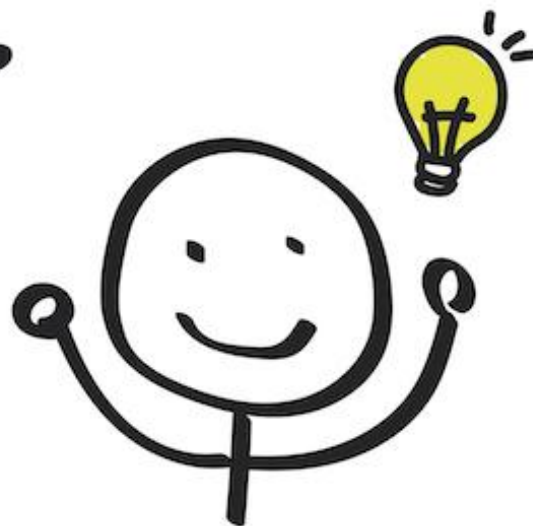
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Exercise 1:

Choose the correct answer.

1) Refraction is the bending of a wave disturbance as it passes at an angle from one into another

a. Area

b. Boundary

c. Glass

d. Medium

2) When light travels from vacuum into a glass block, its speed:

a. Decreases

b. Increases

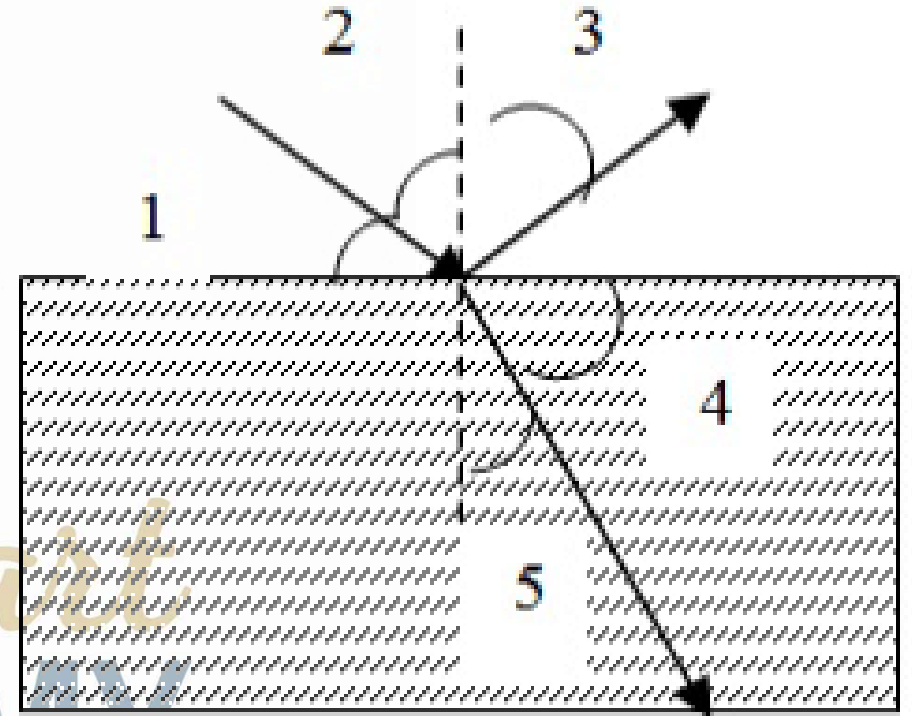
c. Remains constant

d. None of the above

3) A beam of light passes from the air through a thick piece of glass as shown. Which of the following angles is the angle of refraction?

- a. Angle 1
- c. Angle 4

- b. Angle 2
- d. Angle 5



The angle of refraction is the angle between normal and refracted ray then:

4) The speed of light in a piece of glass is $1.5 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$.

What is the index of refraction of the glass?

a. 2

b. 1.5

c. 0.67

d. 0.33

$$n = \frac{c}{V} = \frac{3 \times 10^8}{1.5 \times 10^8}$$

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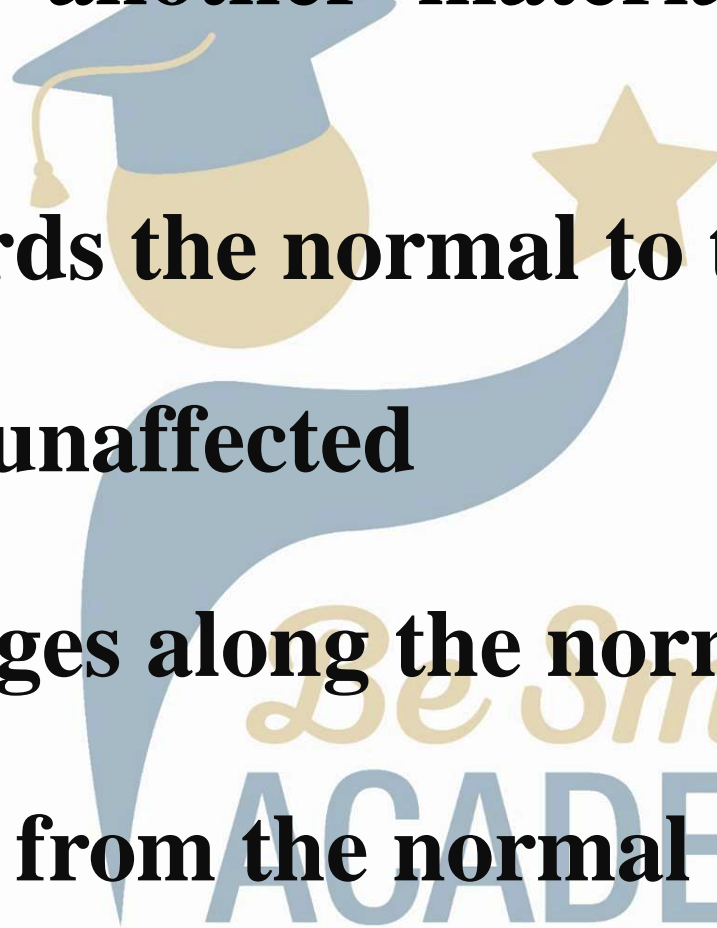
$n = 2$

5) A beam of light passes from air into water. Which of the following statements is true?

- a. The angle of incidence is greater than the angle of refraction in the water.**
- b. The angle of incidence is less than the angle of refraction in the water**
- c. The angle of incidence is equal to the angle of refraction in the water.**
- d. The frequency of the light decreases**

6) When light passes at an angle to the normal from one material into another material in which its speed is lower:

- a. It is bent towards the normal to the surface**
- b. The ray is not unaffected**
- c. It always emerges along the normal to the surface**
- d. It is bent away from the normal to the surface**



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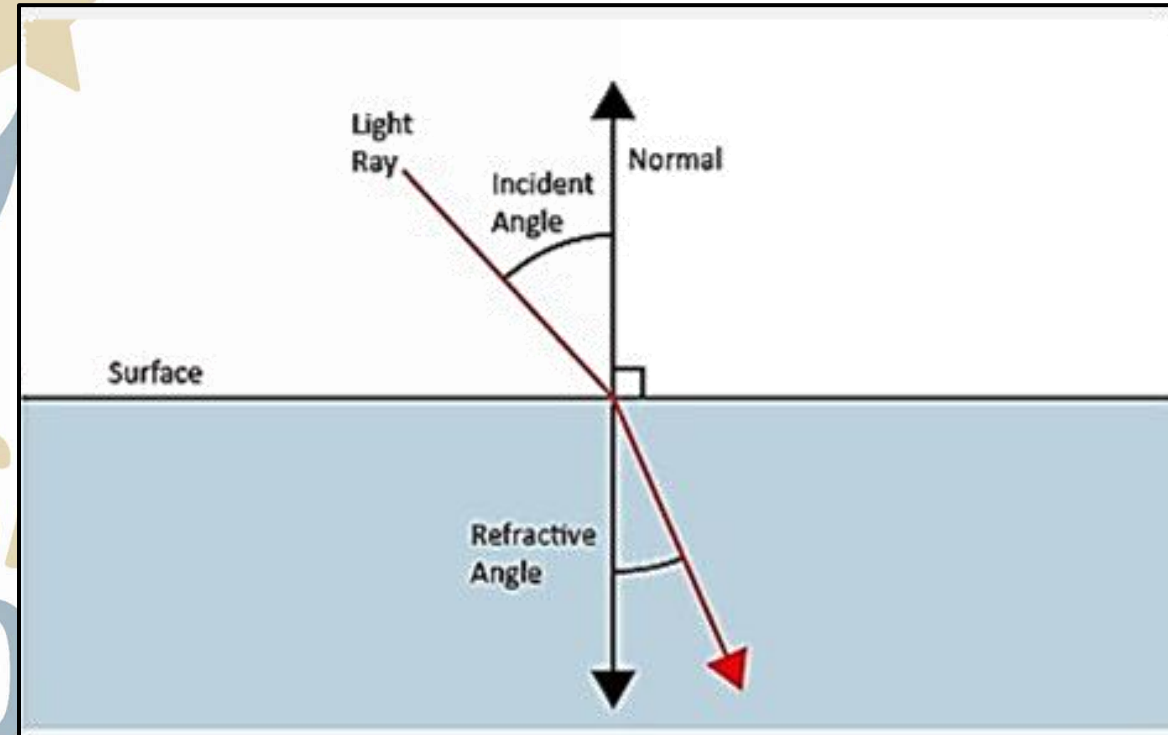
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Exercise 2:

A luminous ray, propagates in air, and hits the surface of separation (air –water) with an angle of incidence i_{air} .

When the incident angle is $i_{air} = 40$, the refracted angle is $i_{water} = 29$.

- 1) Calculate the index of refraction of water.
- 2) Calculate the deviation of the corresponding incident ray in air $i_{air} = 40^\circ$.



Exercise 2:

1) Calculate the index of refraction of water

The ray passes from a medium of less index (air) to a medium of more index (water) then:

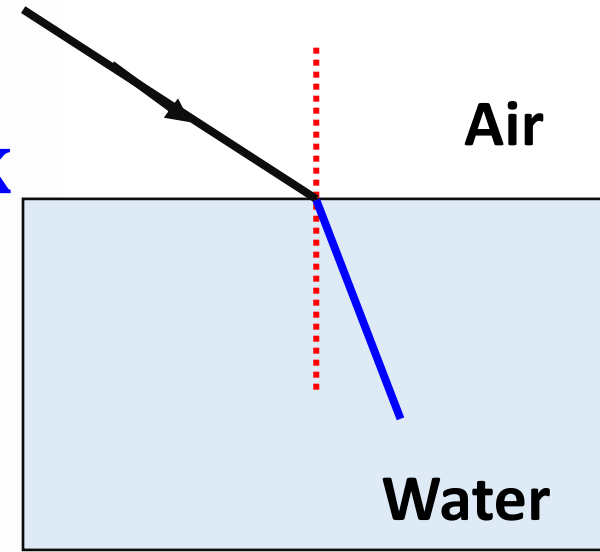
The ray refracted **towards the normal**

Apply Snell's Law:

$$n_{air} \sin(i_{air}) = n_{water} \sin(i_{water})$$

$$n_{water} = \frac{n_{air} \sin(i_{air})}{\sin(i_{water})} = \frac{1 \times \sin(40)}{\sin(29)}$$

$$n_{water} = 1.32$$



Exercise 2:

2) Calculate the deviation of the corresponding incident ray in air $i_{air} = 40^\circ$

Angle of deviation is the difference between the angle of incidence and angle of refraction

$$d = |i_{air} - r_{water}|$$

$$d = |40 - 29|$$

$$d = 11^\circ$$

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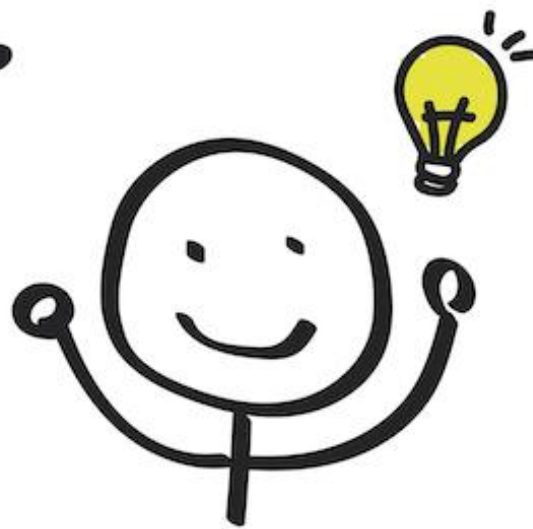
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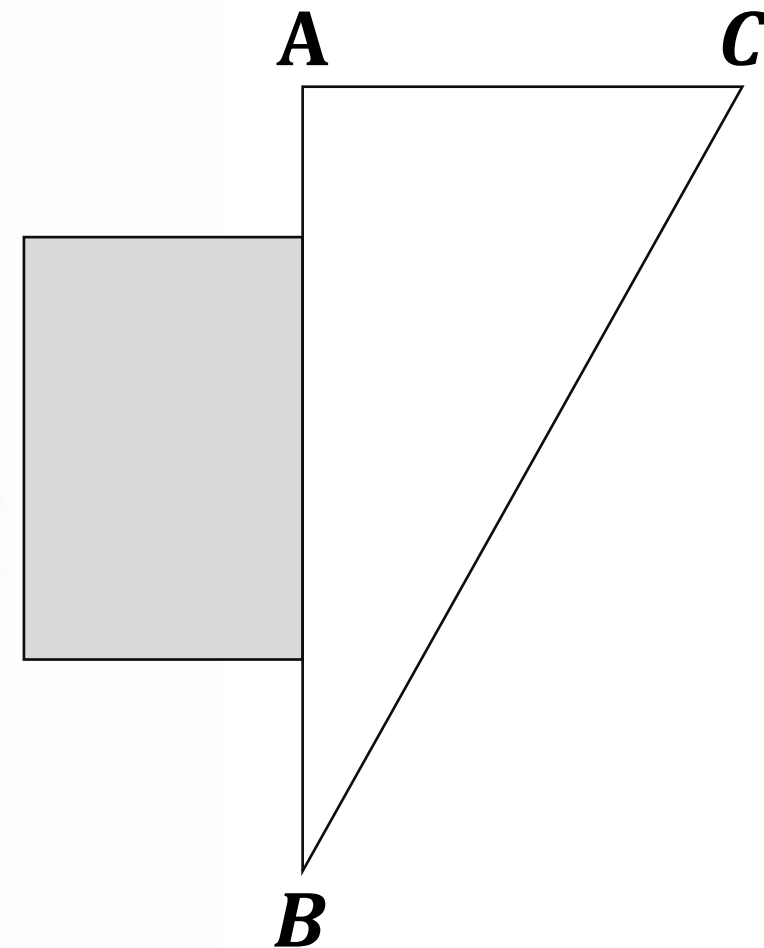
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Exercise 3:

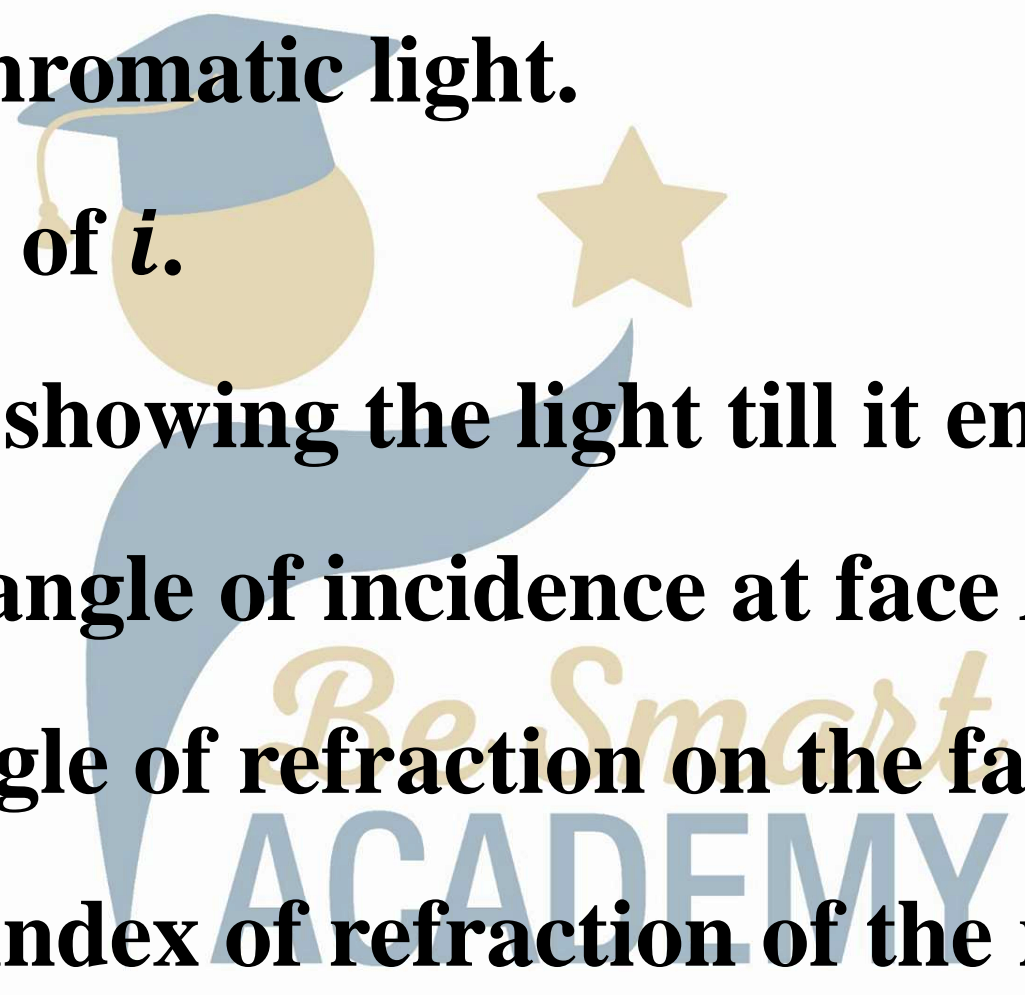
A rectangular medium of index n is in contact with the face AB of a triangular prism ABC of angle $\hat{A} = 90^\circ$, where the face AC is in contact with air.

A monochromatic light, is grazing the surface AB . The angle of emergence from face AC is $i' = 60^\circ$.

Given $n_{prism} = \sqrt{3}$



Exercise 3:

- 1) Define monochromatic light.
 - 2) Give the value of i .
 - 3) Draw a figure showing the light till it emerges out AC.
 - 4) Calculate the angle of incidence at face AC.
 - 5) Deduce the angle of refraction on the face AB.
 - 6) Calculate the index of refraction of the rectangle.
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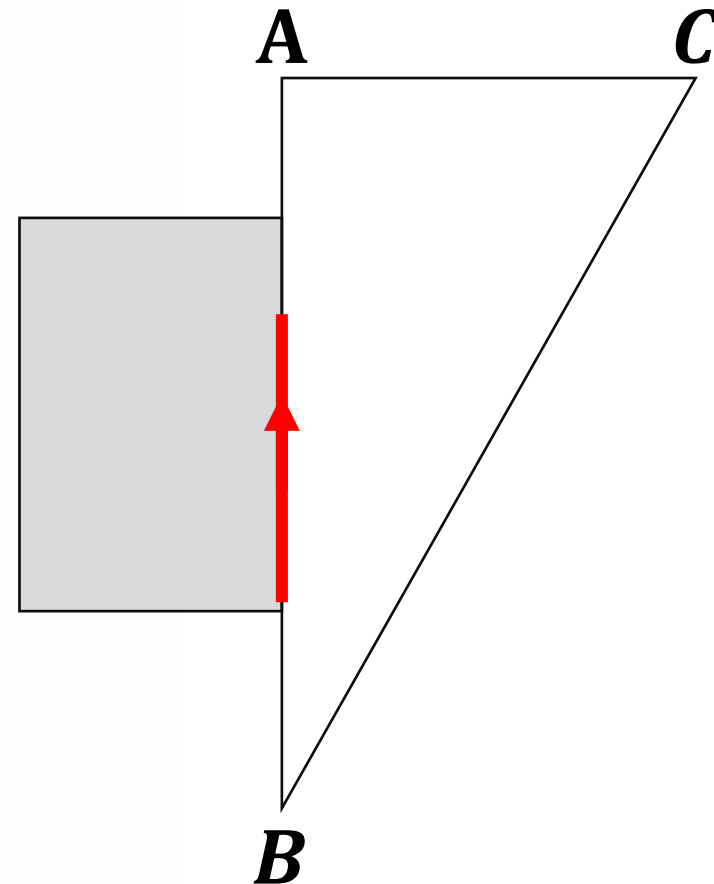
1. Define monochromatic light.

Monochromatic light: is a light formed of **one color** having one wavelength.

2. Give the value of i .

The beam of light grazes the surface AB:

$$i = 90^\circ$$



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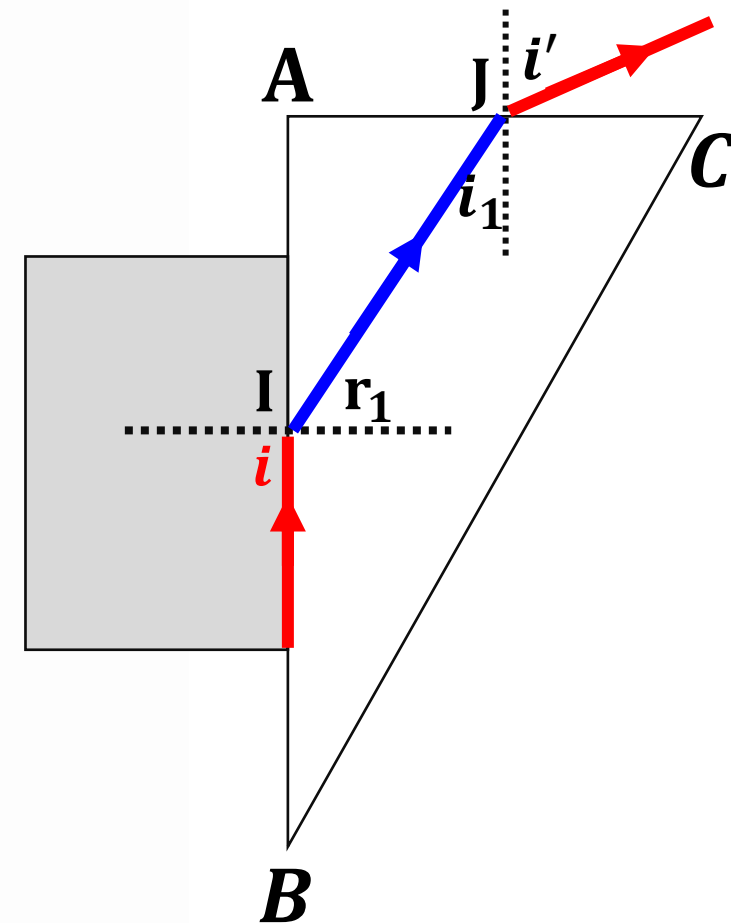
3. Draw a figure showing the light till it emerges out AC.

The ray emerges thorough the prism and arrives at point J.

At point J:

The ray passes from a medium of more index to a medium of less index:

The ray is refracted away from the normal.



Exercise 3:

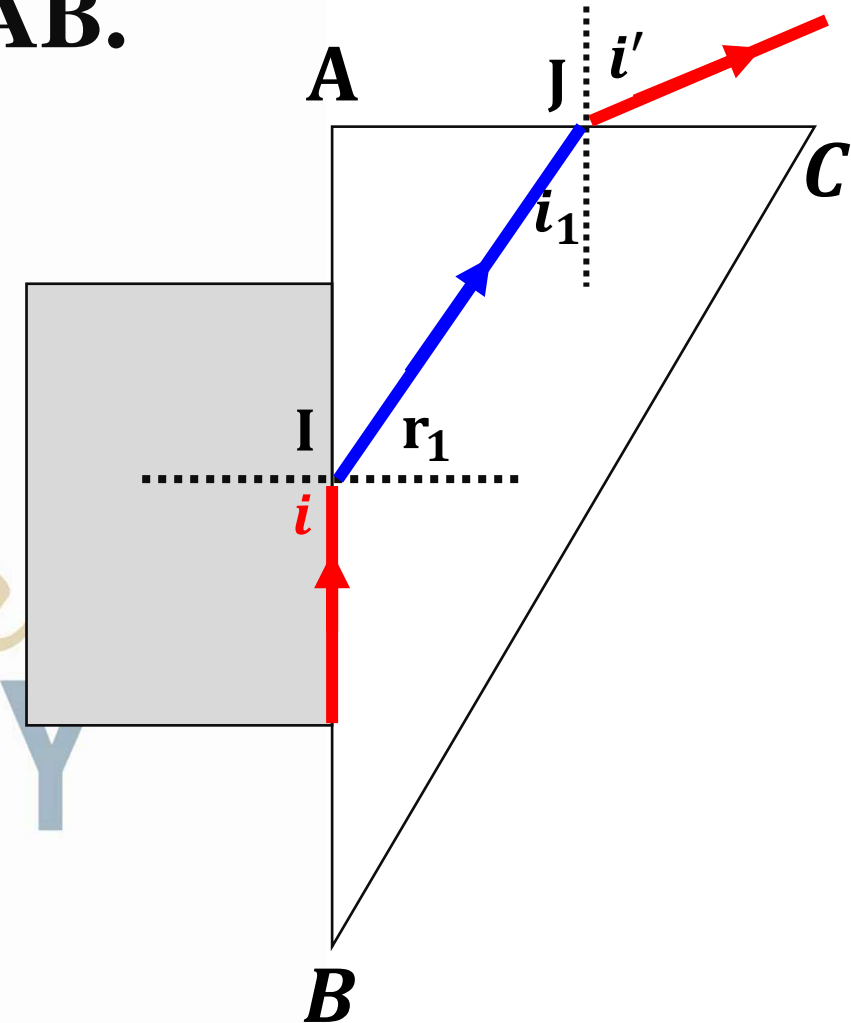
4. Calculate the angle of incidence i_1 at face AC. Deduce the angle of refraction r_1 on the face AB.

Applying Snell's law at AC:

$$n_{prism} \sin(i_1) = n_{air} \sin(i')$$

$$\sin(i_1) = \frac{n_{air} \sin(i')}{n_{prism}} = \frac{1 \times \sin(60)}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\sin(i_1) = 0.5 \quad \Rightarrow \quad i_1 = 30^\circ$$



Exercise 3:

The angles r_1 and $\hat{A}JI$ are alternate angles

$$\hat{A}JI + i_1 = 90^\circ$$

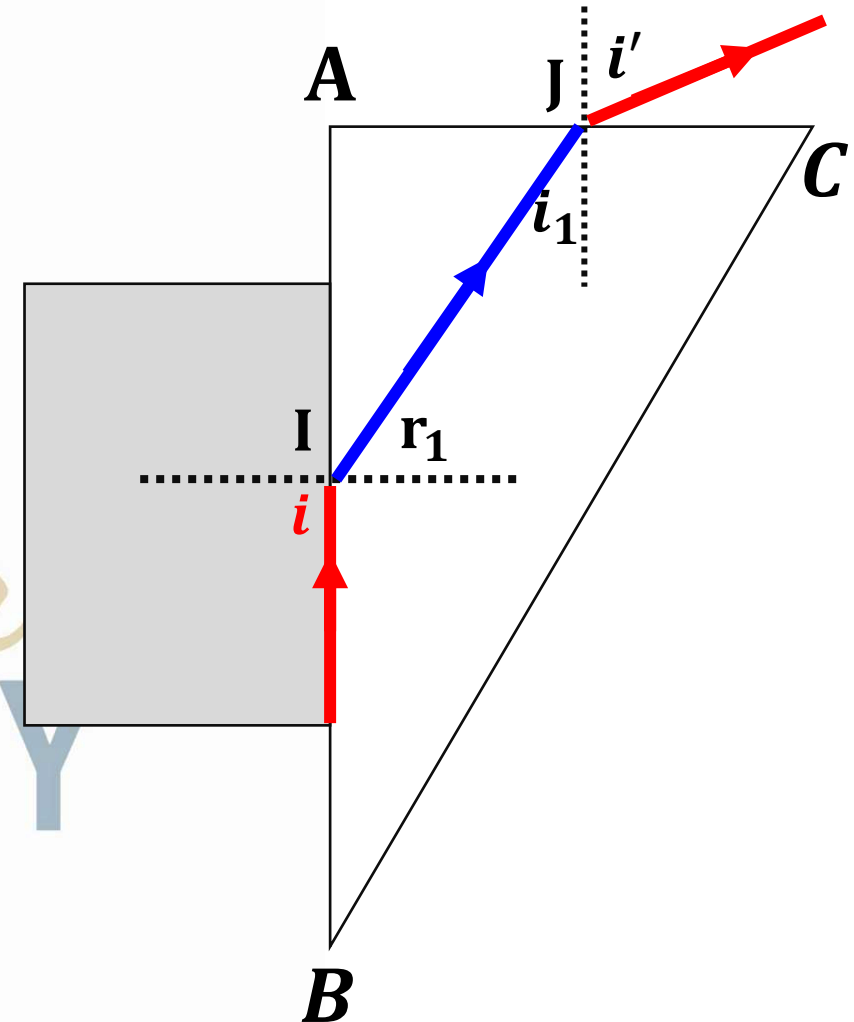
$$\hat{A}JI = 90^\circ - i_1$$

$$\hat{A}JI = 90^\circ - 30^\circ$$

$$\hat{A}JI = 60^\circ$$

The angle of refraction at I is:

$$r_1 = \hat{A}JI = 60^\circ$$



Exercise 3:

5. Calculate the index of refraction of the rectangular medium (n).

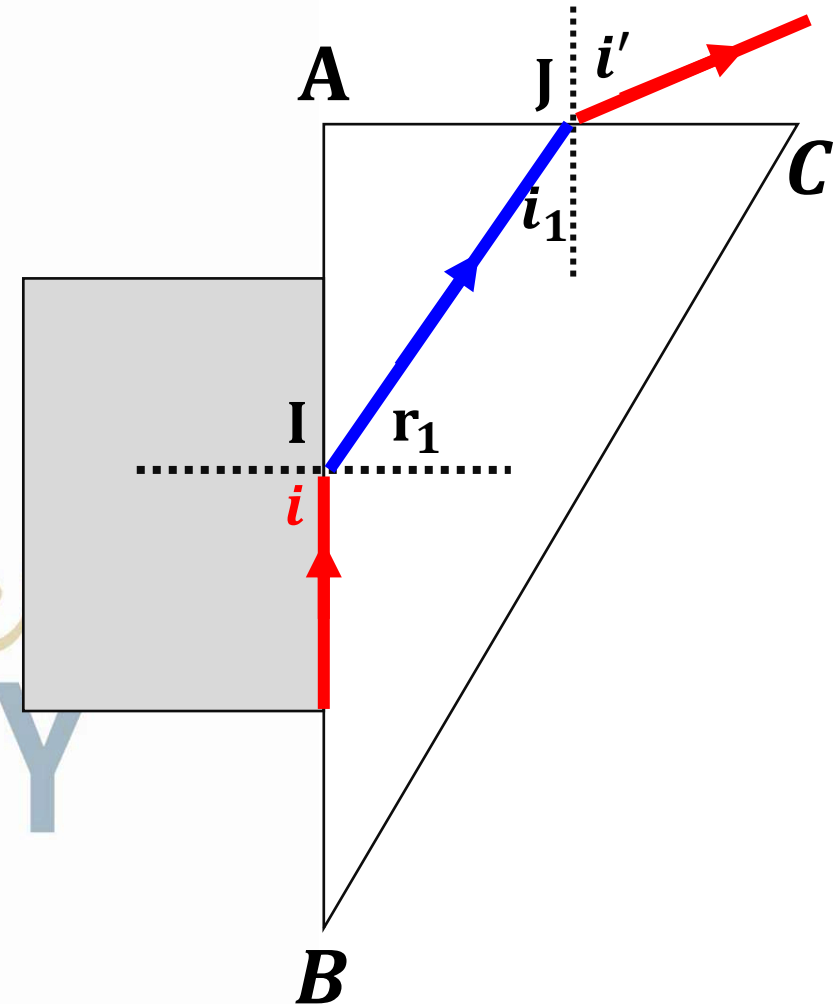
Apply Snell's law at face AB:

$$n \sin(i) = n_{\text{prism}} \sin(r_1)$$

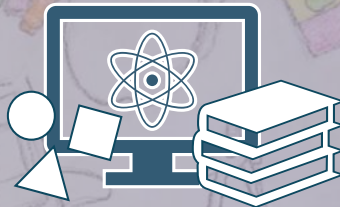
$$n \sin(90) = \sqrt{3} \sin(60)$$

$$n = \frac{\sqrt{3} \sin(60)}{\sin(90)}$$

$$n = 1.5$$



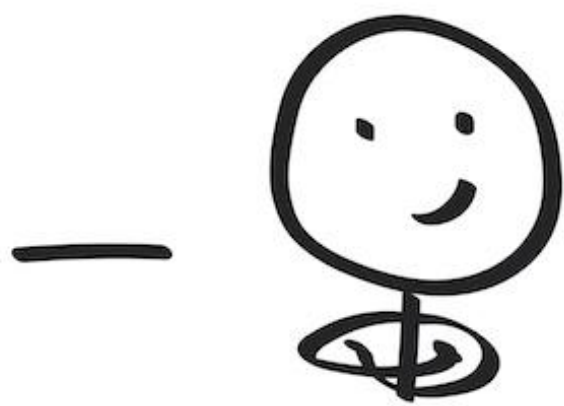
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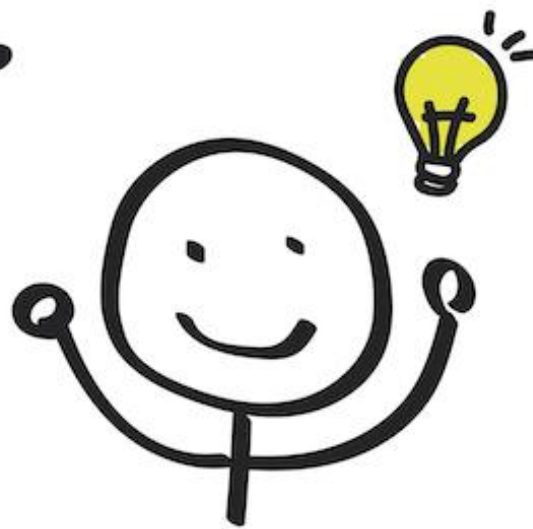
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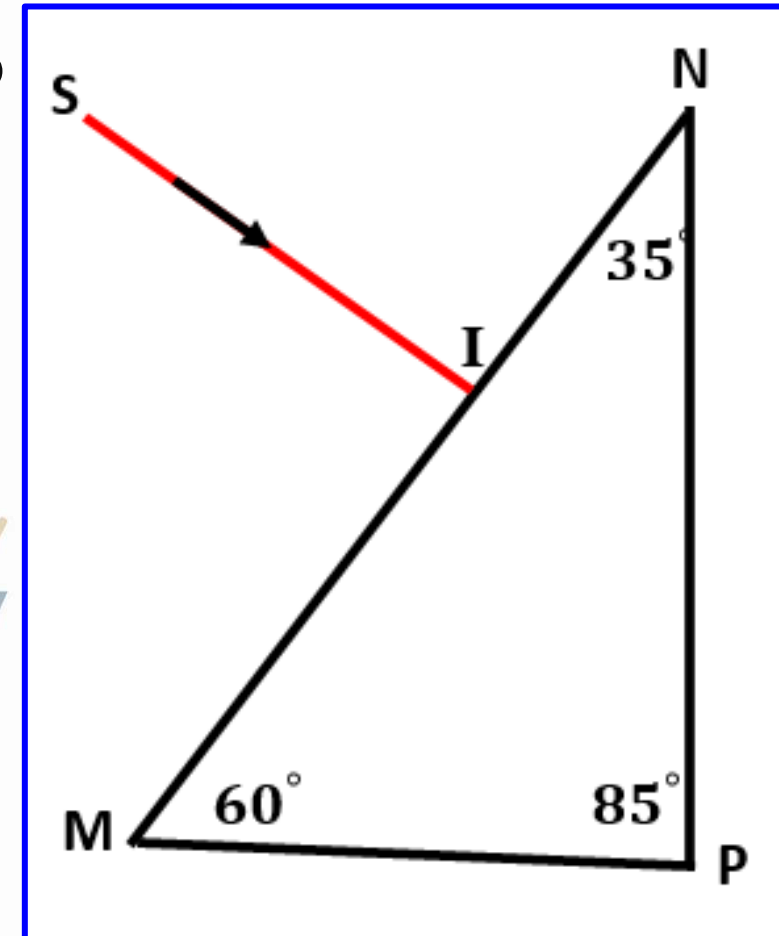


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Exercise 4:

A light ray **SI** propagates in air of index of refraction $n_{air} = 1$, falls normally on the surface **MN** of a prism of index $n_{prism} = 1.5$ as shown in the adjacent figure.

Draw the path of the light ray until it emerges from the prism, showing the necessary explanation and calculation.



Exercise 4:

On surface MN:

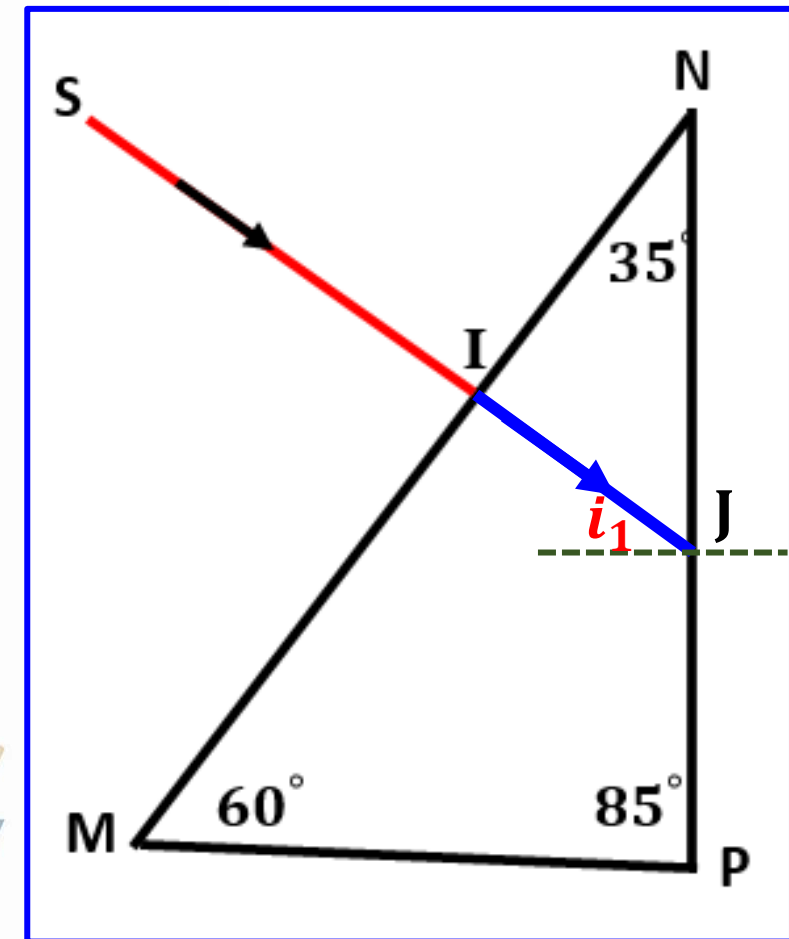
The ray SI is normal, so it completes without any deviation.

$$\hat{I}N + \hat{N}J + \hat{I}N = 180$$

$$\hat{I}N + 90 + 35 = 180$$

$$\hat{I}N + 125 = 180 \rightarrow \hat{I}N = 180 - 125$$

$$\hat{I}N = 55^\circ$$



The incident angle $i_1 = 90 - \hat{I}N = 90 - 55 \rightarrow i_1 = 35^\circ$

Exercise 4:

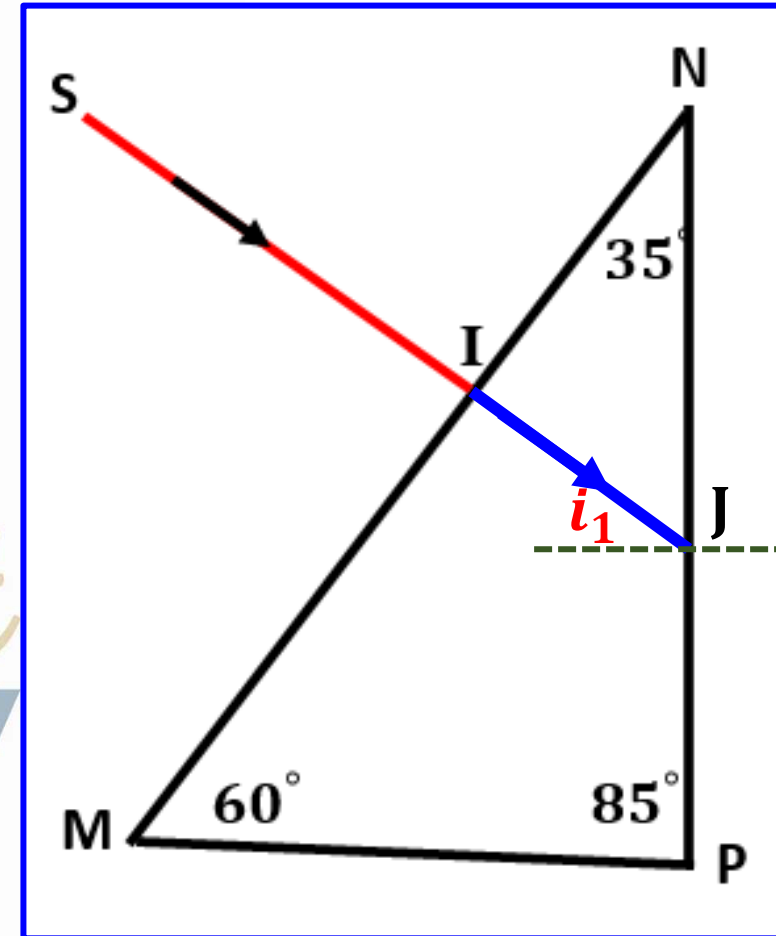
Now the ray is in the glass prism and tries to leave it:

The ray passes from the medium of more refractive to the medium of less refractive index, then we **compare the limiting angle with the angle of incidence.**

The Limiting angle: $n_1 \sin(i_l) = n_2 \sin(90)$

$$(1.5) \sin(i_l) = (1) \sin(90)$$

$$\sin(i_l) = \frac{(1) \sin(90)}{1.5} = 0.\bar{6} \Rightarrow i_L = 42$$



Exercise 4:

Compare i_1 and i_L then:

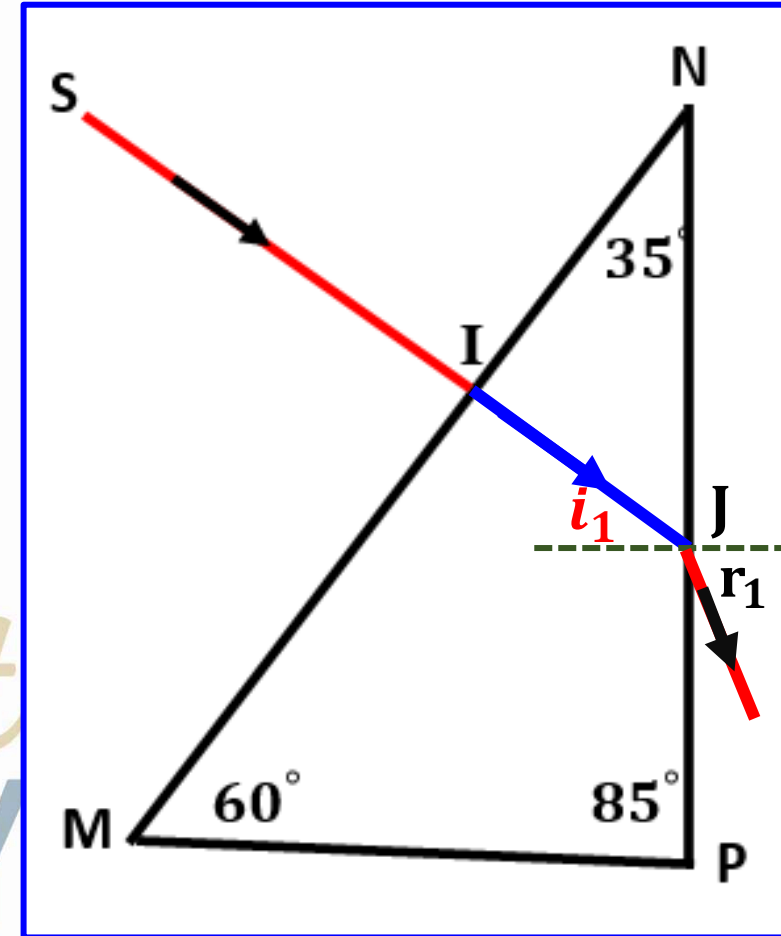
$$i_1 = 35 < i_L = 42$$

The ray refracted away from the normal. $n_1 \sin(i_1) = n_2 \sin(r_1)$

$$(1.5) \sin(35) = (1) \sin(r_1)$$

$$\sin(r_1) = \frac{(1.5) \sin(35)}{1} = 0.86$$

$$r_1 = 59.3$$



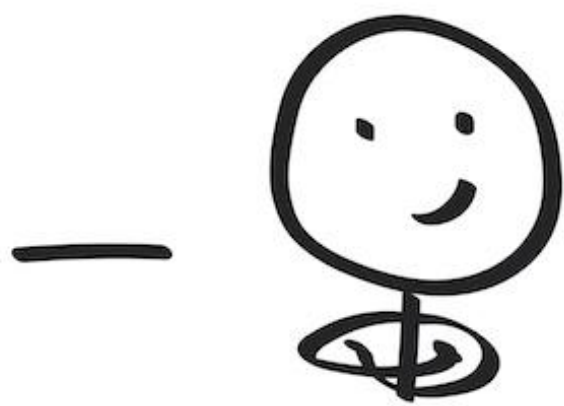
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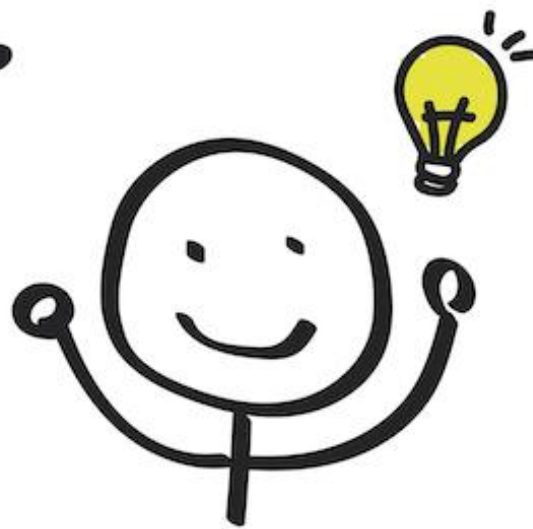
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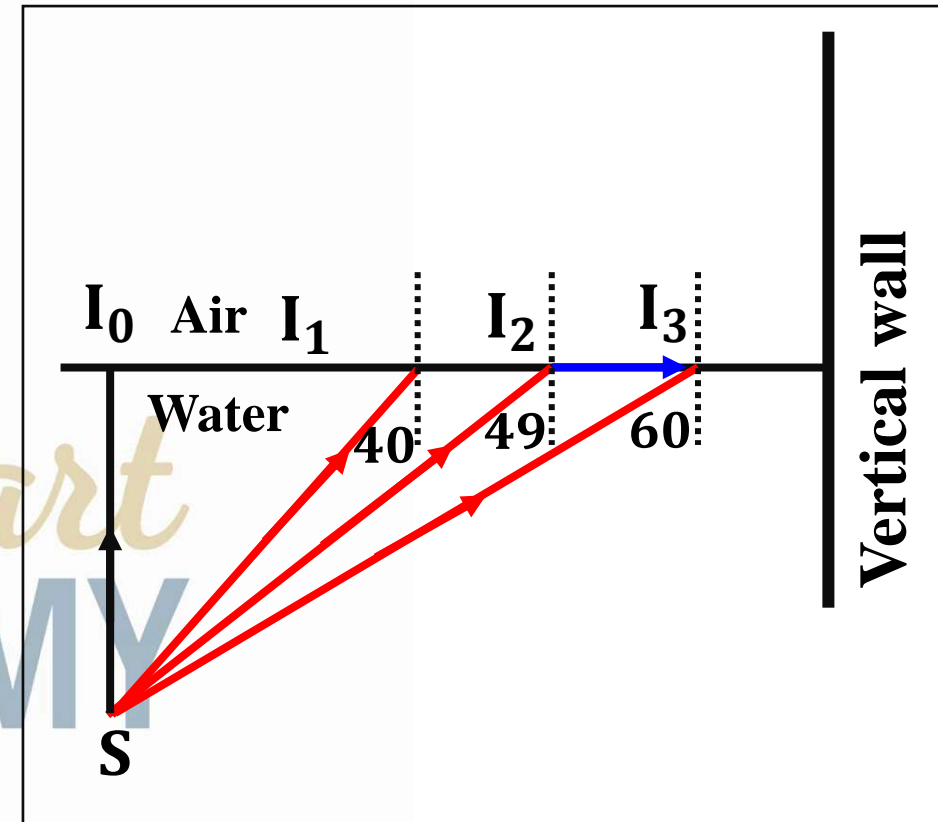
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Exercise 5:

The object of this exercise is to study the behavior of a beam of light incident on the surface of separation of two transparent and homogeneous mediums.

Consider a source S of red light placed in water, sending a beam of light, considered as a luminous ray, on the horizontal surface of separation water-air under an angle of incidence i_1 .

The adjacent figure represents four rays corresponding to four directions taken by the source S .



Exercise 5:

1) Draw, with justification, the path of the ray SI_0 .

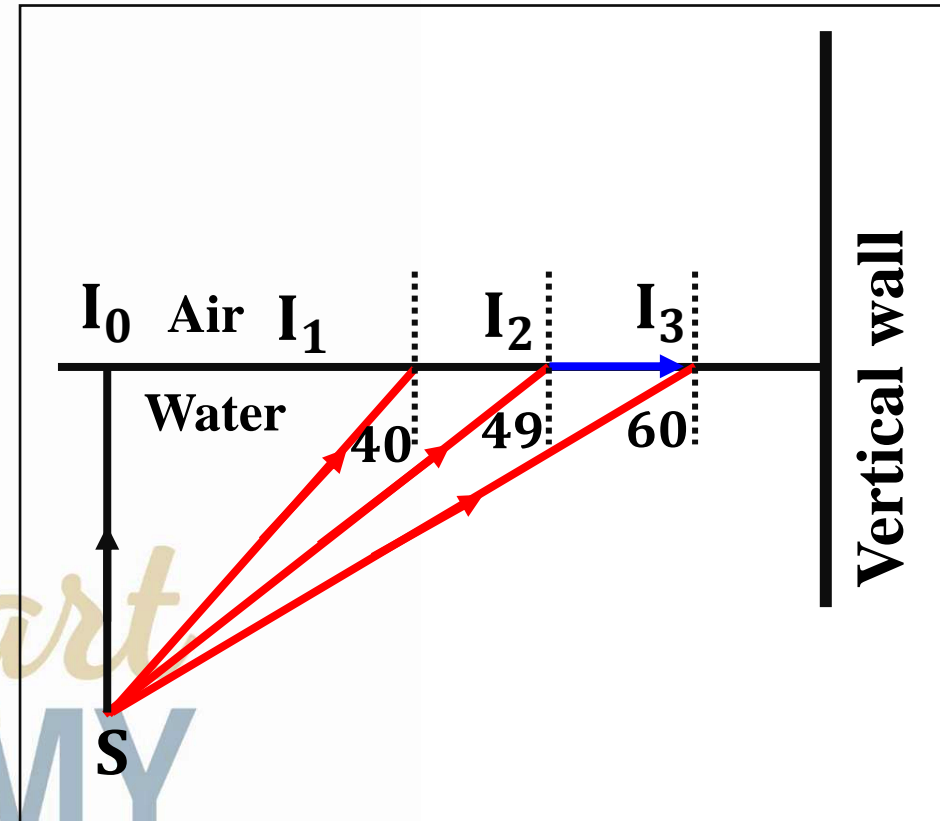
2) The ray SI_2 emerges grazing the surface of separation.

a) What does the angle of incidence 49° thus represent?

b) Give the value of the corresponding angle of refraction.

3) The ray SI_1 crosses from water into air. Why?

4) The refracted ray corresponding to SI_1 meets the vertical wall at a point B. determine the location of B.



Exercise 5:

1) Draw, with justification, the path of the ray SI_0 .

The ray SI_0 falls normal to the surface (water-air) then it completes without any deviation

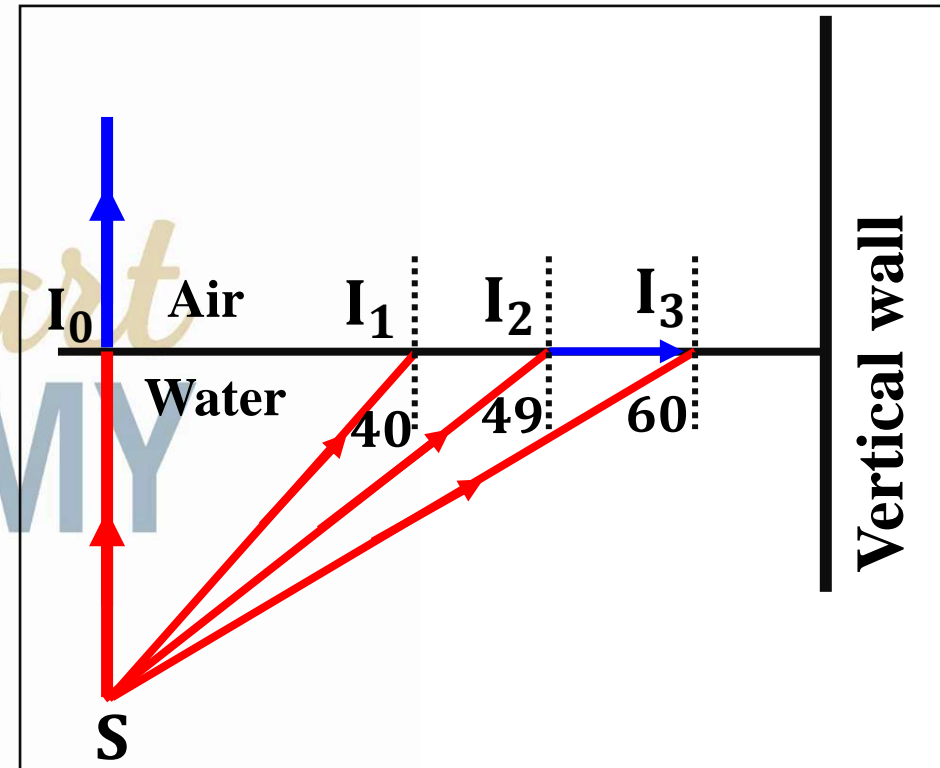
2) The ray SI_2 emerges grazing the surface of separation.

a) What does the angle of incidence 49° thus represent?

$i_2 = 49^\circ$ represents the limiting angle of refraction.

b) Give the value of the corresponding angle of refraction.

The angle of refraction is $r_2 = 90^\circ$



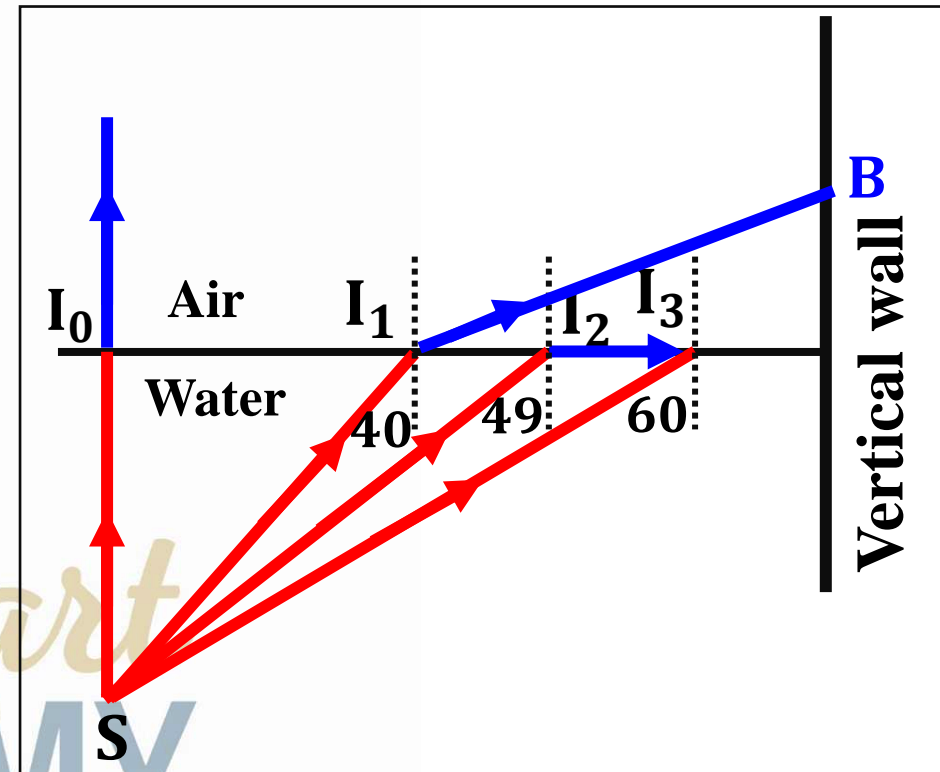
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3) The ray SI_1 crosses from water into air. Why?

$$i_1 = 40^\circ < i_L = 49^\circ \text{ (limiting angle)}$$

Therefore the ray SI_1 crosses from water into air and refracted away from the normal

4) The refracted ray corresponding to SI_1 meets the vertical wall at a point B. determine the location of B.



See the figure

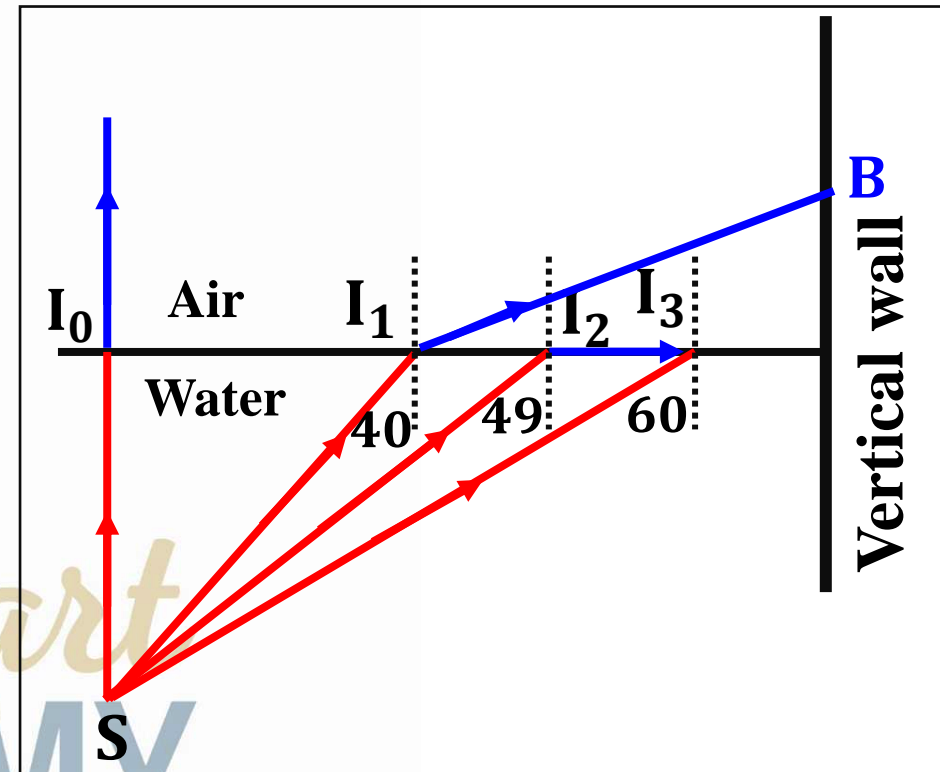
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5) The ray SI_3 is incident on the surface of separation under an angle of incidence of 60° .

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b) Name, then, the phenomenon that this ray undergoes.

c) Draw the path followed by SI_3 .



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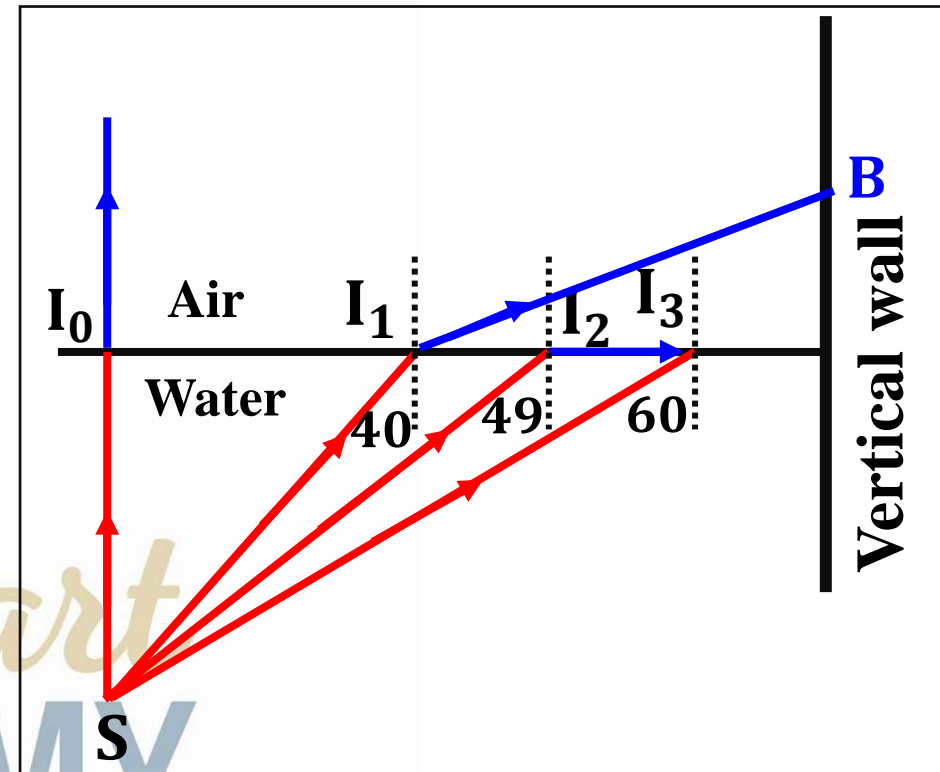
5) The ray SI_3 is incident on the surface of separation under an angle of incidence of 60° .

a) Would the ray SI_3 leave water? Justify.

The ray will not leave the water surface, since $i = 60^\circ > i_l = 49^\circ$

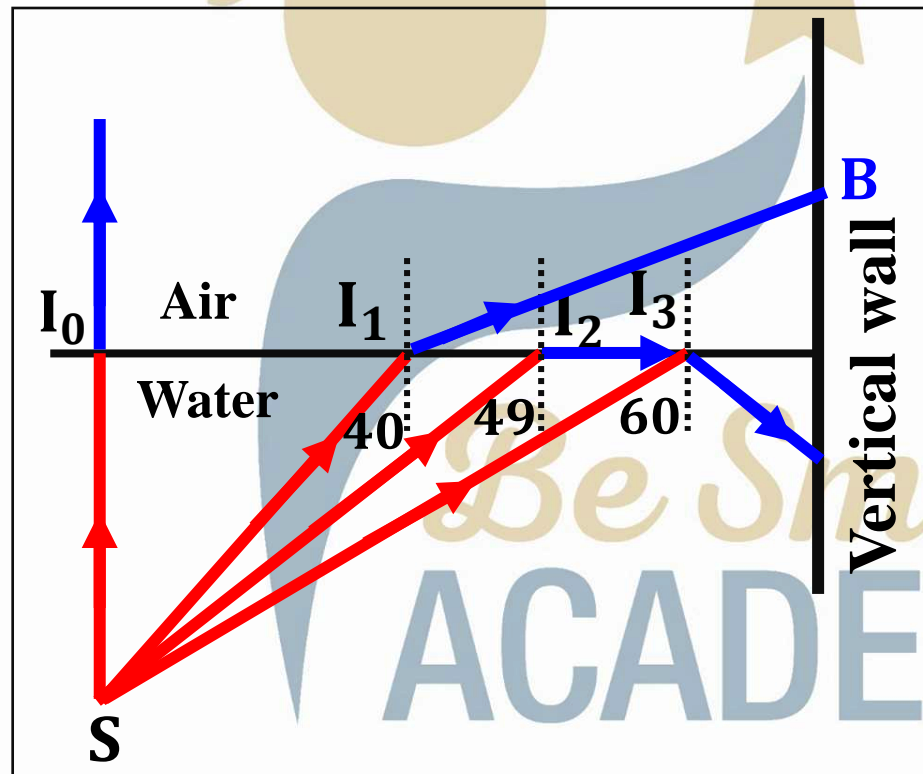
b) Name, then, the phenomenon that this ray undergoes.

Since $i = 60^\circ > i_l = 49^\circ$, then the ray undergoes total internal reflection



Exercise 5:

c) Draw the path followed by SI_3 .



The End

