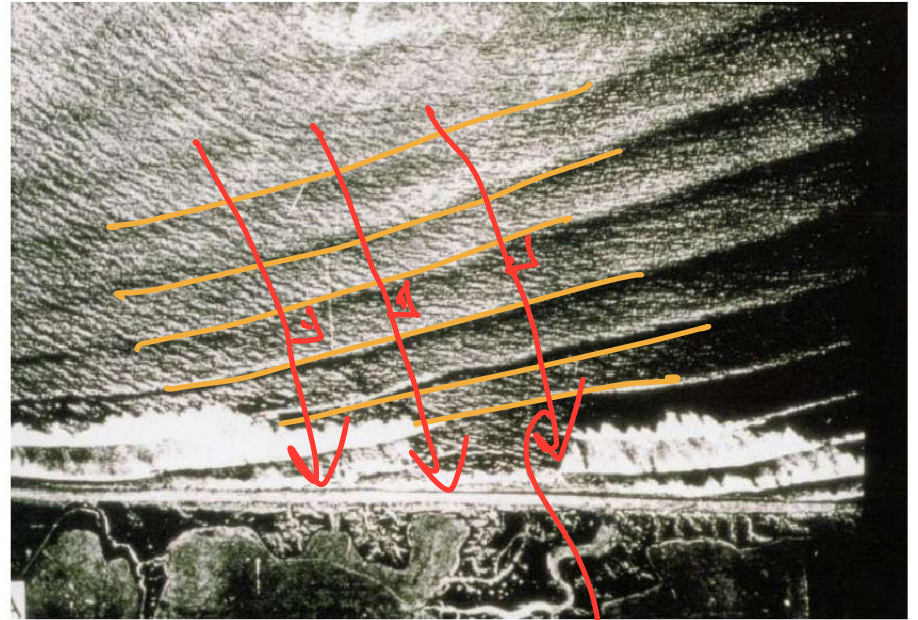


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Wave Refraction



Wave crests

wave rays or
orthogonal

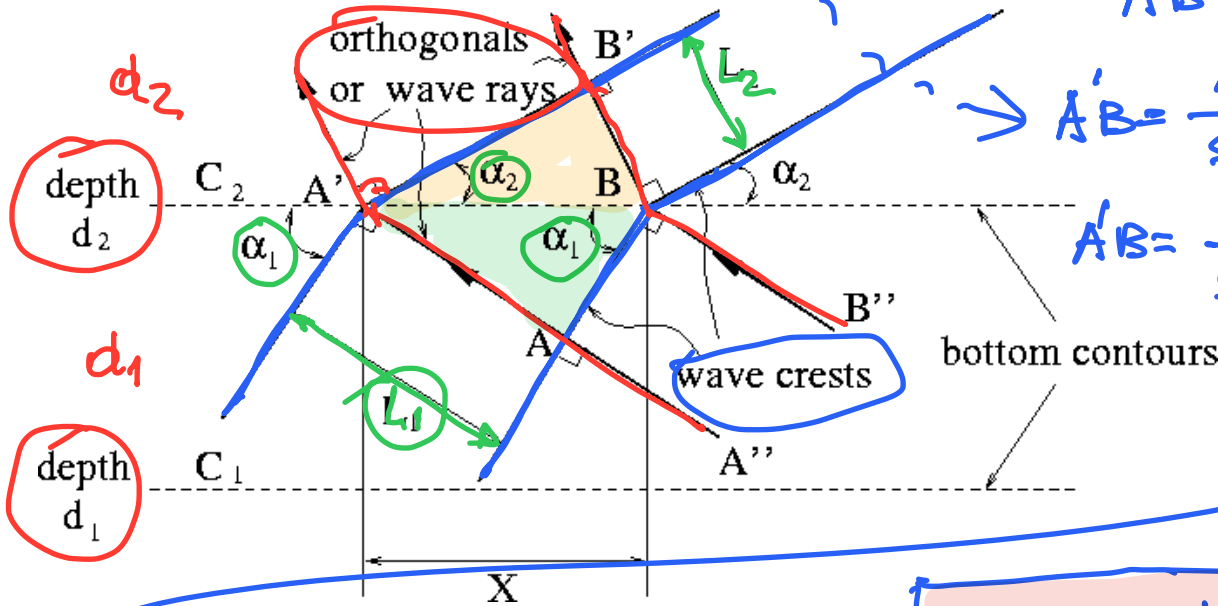
$$\sin \alpha_1 = \frac{AA'}{AB}$$

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From ^{orthogonal} triangles
A'B'B & A'AB

$$A'B = \frac{AA'}{\sin \alpha_1} = \frac{L_1}{\sin \alpha_1}$$

$$A'B = \frac{BB'}{\sin \alpha_2} = \frac{L_2}{\sin \alpha_2}$$



$$\frac{L_1}{\sin \alpha_1} = \frac{L_2}{\sin \alpha_2} \Rightarrow$$

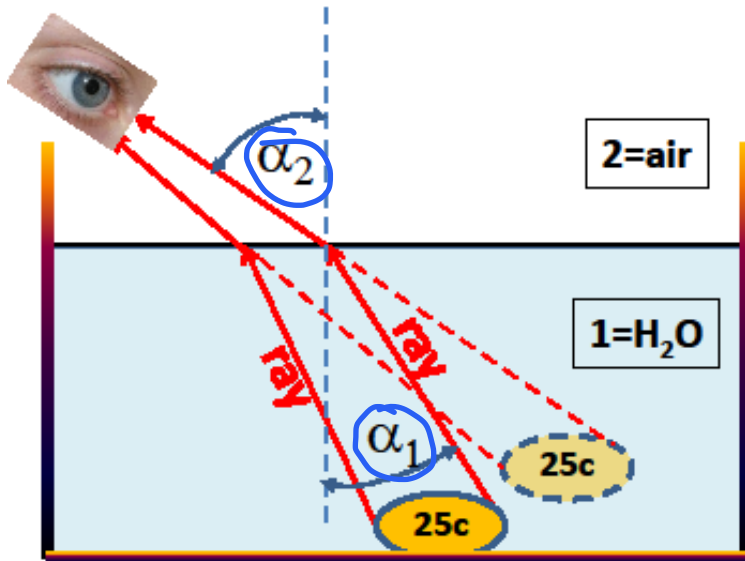
$$\frac{\sin \alpha_1}{\sin \alpha_2} = \frac{L_1}{L_2} = \frac{C_1}{C_2}$$

Snell's Law

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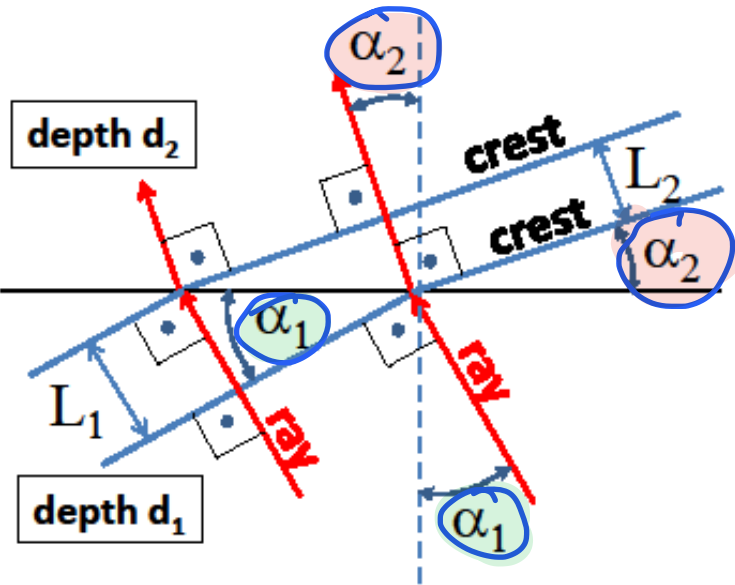
Refraction

Optics



$$C_{H_2O} \approx 0.75C_{air} \Rightarrow C_2 > C_1 \Rightarrow \alpha_2 > \alpha_1$$

Wave Mechanics



$$d_2 < d_1 \Rightarrow C_2 < C_1 \Rightarrow \alpha_2 < \alpha_1$$

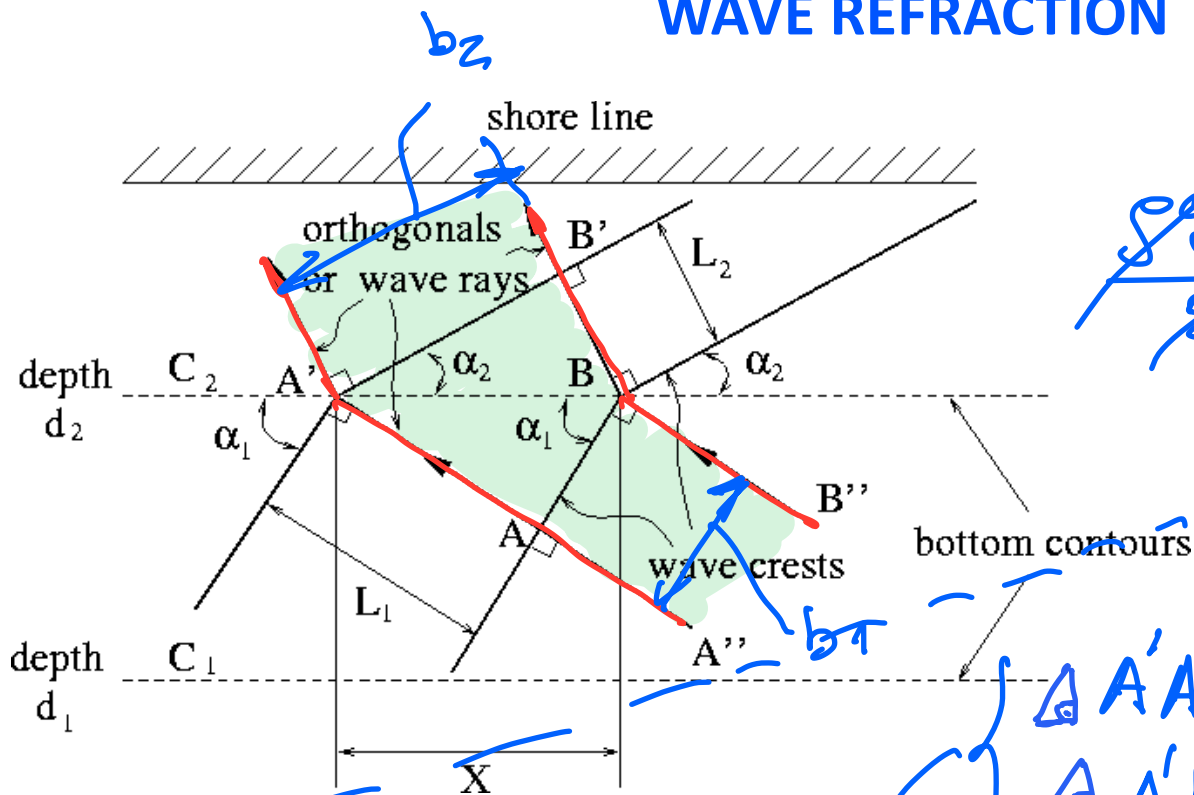
Refraction of optical rays due to different speed of light from water to air!

Snell's Law: $\frac{\sin(\alpha_1)}{\sin(\alpha_2)} = \frac{C_1}{C_2} = \frac{L_1}{L_2}$

Refraction of ocean wave rays due to different wave speeds at different depths.

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$$P_1 = P_2$$

$$\frac{\cancel{g} H_1^2}{g} C_{g1} b_1 = \frac{\cancel{g} H_2^2}{g} C_{g2} b_2$$

$$\frac{H_2}{H_1} = \sqrt{\frac{C_{g1}}{C_{g2}}} \sqrt{\frac{b_1}{b_2}}$$

$$\Delta A'AB \Rightarrow b_1 = AB = A'B \cos \alpha_1$$

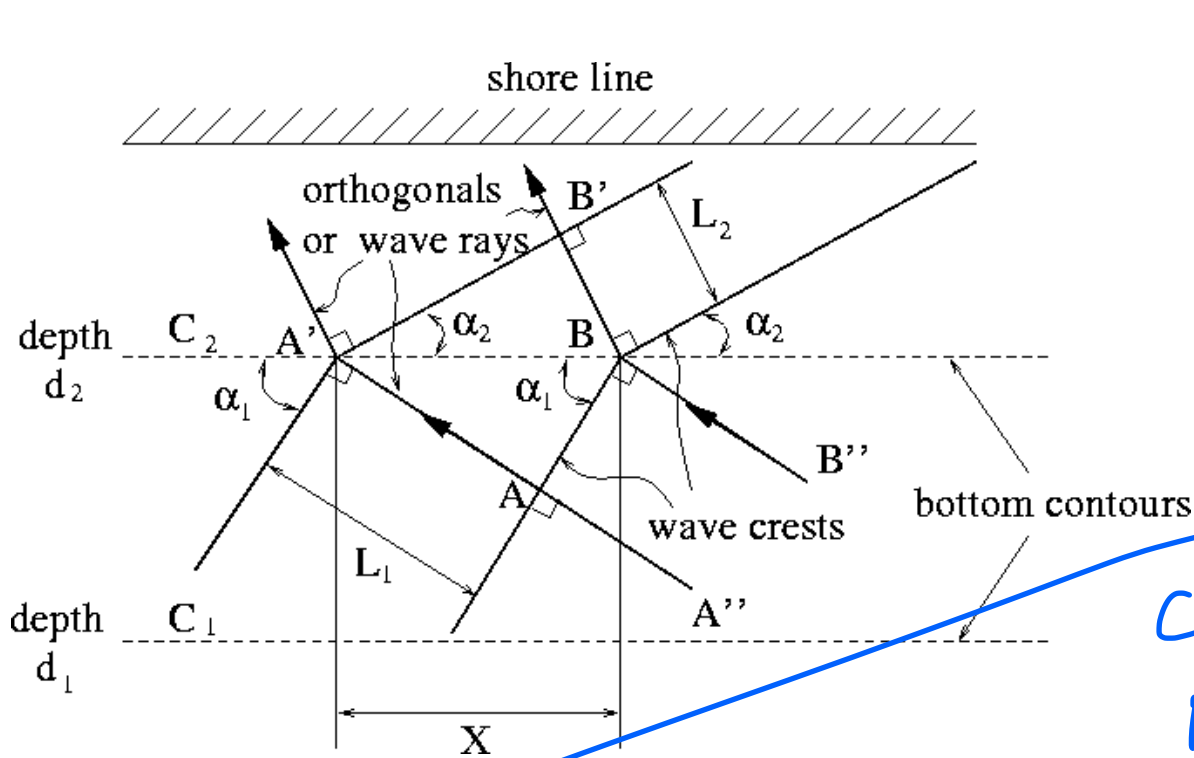
$$\Delta A'B'B \Rightarrow b_2 = A'B = A'B \cos \alpha_2$$

$$\frac{b_1}{b_2} = \frac{\cos \alpha_1}{\cos \alpha_2}$$

$$\frac{H_2}{H_1} = \sqrt{\frac{C_{g1}}{C_{g2}}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\cos \alpha_1}{\cos \alpha_2}}$$

General formula

WAVE REFRACTION



$$H_1 \rightarrow H_0 \text{ (deep water)}$$

$$H_2 \rightarrow H \text{ (at depth } \alpha)$$

$$\frac{H}{H_0} = \sqrt{\frac{C_{g0}}{C_g}} \sqrt{\frac{b_0}{b}}$$

C_{g0} : C_g at deep H_2O
 b_0 : width at deep H_2O

$$\frac{H}{H_0} = K_S K_R \rightarrow \text{refraction coeff.}$$

shoaling coeff.

$$\frac{H}{H_0} = K_S K_R = \left(\frac{H}{H'_0} \right) \left(\frac{H'_0}{H_0} \right)$$

$H'_0 = \text{unrefracted deep } H_2O \text{ height}$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{b_0}{b}} = \sqrt{\frac{\cos \alpha_0}{\cos \alpha}}$$

WAVE REFRACTION - EXAMPLES

$T = 2$

1. A 4.83 sec plane mono-chromatic wave approaches the beach with its crests in deep water at an angle of 40° with respect to the straight shoreline, and a wave height of 30 cm. Determine the angle of the crests and the wave height at a depth of 3m. Consider that the bottom contours are parallel to the shoreline and that the effects of reflection are negligible.



H_0

$\alpha = ?$

$H = ?$

Snell's Law

$$\frac{\sin \alpha}{\sin \alpha_0} = \frac{L_0}{L}$$

$$L_0 = \frac{gT^2}{2\pi}$$

$$= \frac{9(4.83)^2}{2\pi} = 36.42\text{ m}$$

$$\frac{d}{L_0} = \frac{3}{36.42} = 0.0824$$

$$C-1 \rightarrow \frac{d}{L} = 0.1255 \Rightarrow L = 23.9\text{ m}$$

Table C-1

$$\sin \alpha = \frac{h}{L_0} \sin(40^\circ) \rightarrow \sin \alpha = 0.422 \rightarrow \alpha = 25^\circ$$

$$\frac{H}{H_0} = K_S K_R$$

$$K_R = \sqrt{\frac{b_0}{b}} = \sqrt{\frac{\cos \alpha_0}{\cos \alpha}} =$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{\cos(40^\circ)}{\cos(25^\circ)}} = 0.92$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{H}{H_0} = K_S = 0.951$$

$$H = H_0 K_S K_R = (0.3\text{m}) \times 0.951 \times 0.92 = 0.2625\text{m}$$

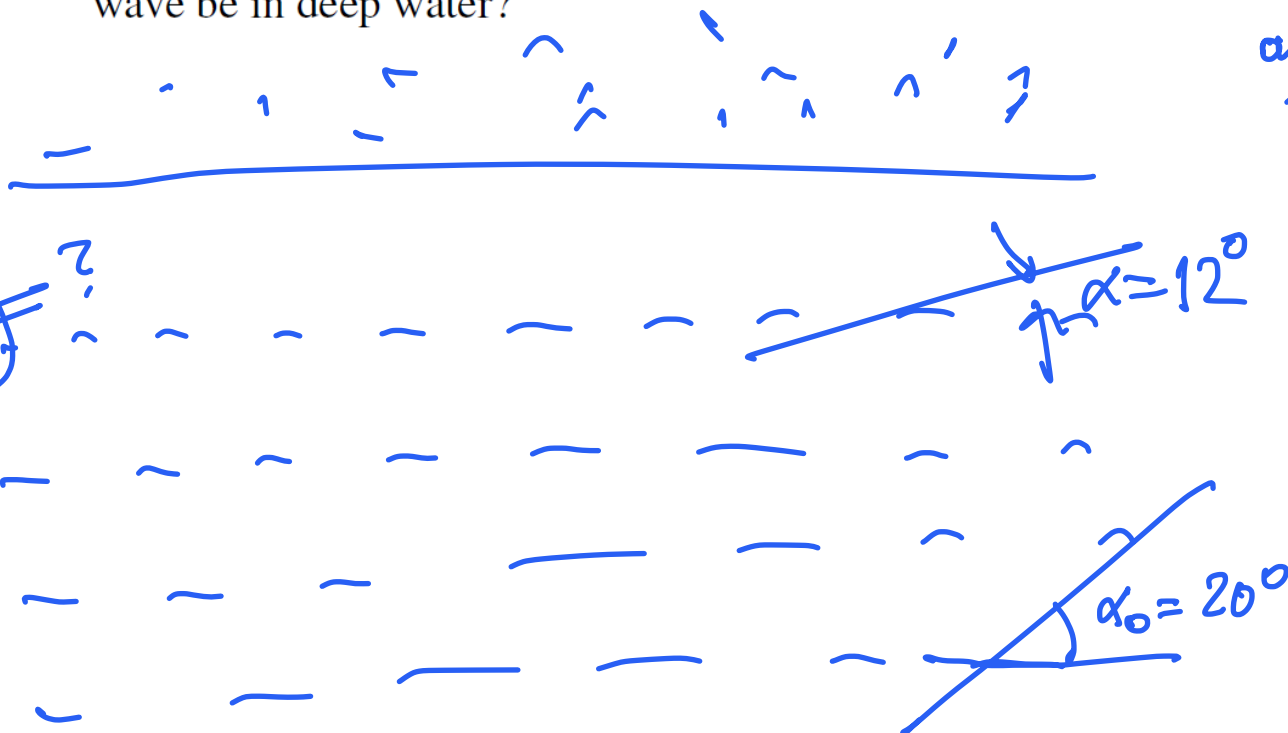
WAVE REFRACTION - EXAMPLES

$$= T$$

$$\alpha_0 = 20^\circ$$

2. A 4.5 sec sinusoidal wave is approaching the beach with its crests in deep water at an angle of 20° with respect to the straight shoreline. At a certain distance from the beach the wave crests have been refracted and form an angle of $\alpha = 12^\circ$ with respect to the shoreline. Assuming that the bottom contours are parallel to the shoreline and that the effects of reflection are negligible, find the following:

- The wave length at the location where $\alpha = 12^\circ$
- The depth of the water at the location where $\alpha = 12^\circ$
- If the wave height at the same depth as that in (b) is 40 cm, what would the height of the wave be in deep water?



a) Snell's Law

$$\frac{\sin \alpha}{\sin \alpha_0} = \frac{L}{L_0}$$

$$L_0 = \frac{gT^2}{2\pi} = 31.6 \text{ m}$$

$$L = 19.2 \text{ m}$$

b) $L = L_0 \tanh\left(\frac{2\pi d}{L}\right)$ ← we got this formula from dispersion relationship in finite depth H_0

$$\Rightarrow \tanh\left(\frac{2\pi d}{L}\right) = \frac{L}{L_0} = \frac{19.2}{31.6} = 0.608$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2\pi d}{L} = \tanh^{-1}(0.608) = 0.7057 \Rightarrow d = 2.16\text{m}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{L} = \frac{2.16}{19.2} = 0.113 > 0.04 \text{ Transitional}$$

c) $H = 0.4\text{m}$ $H_0 = ?$

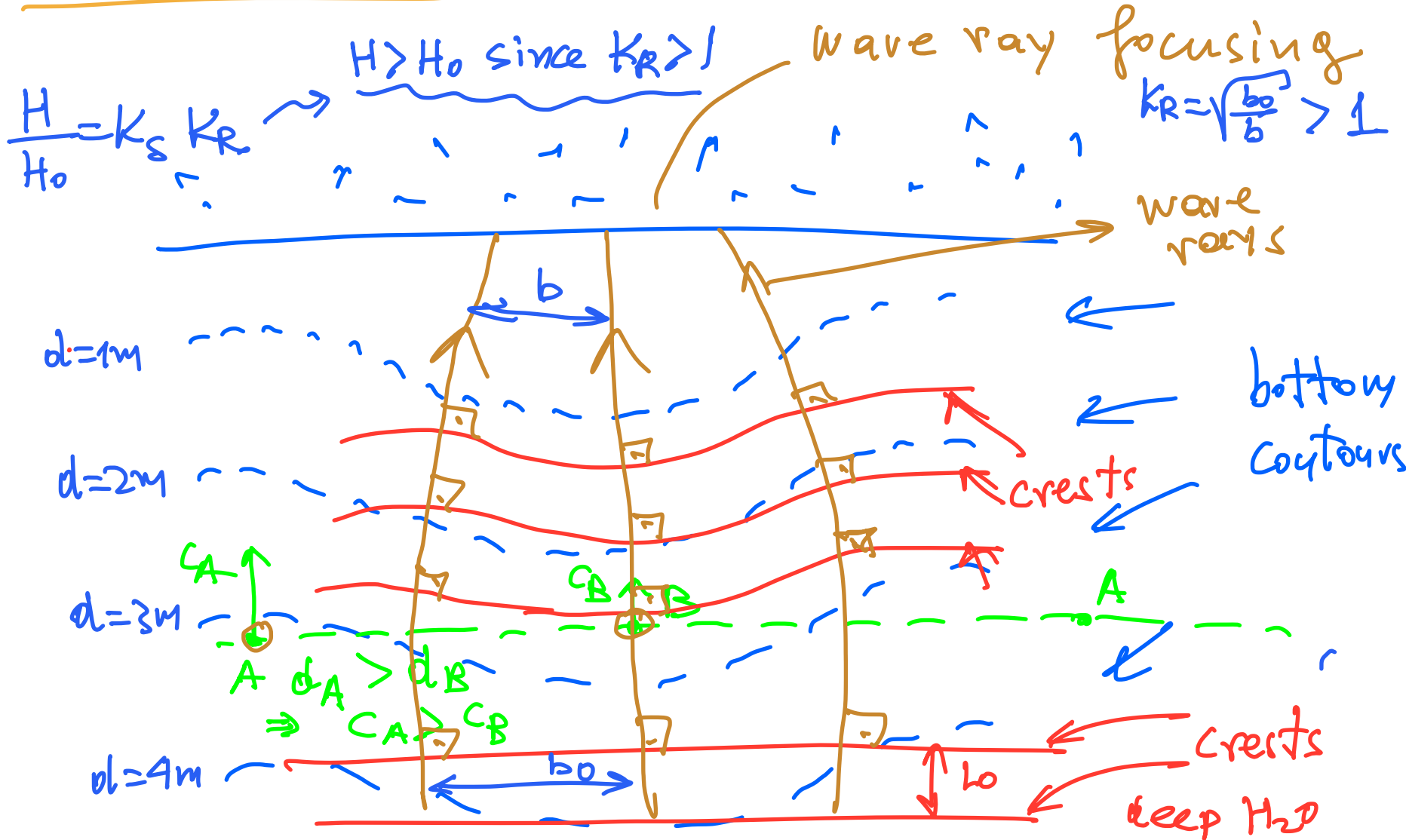
$$\frac{H}{H_0} = K_s K_R$$

K_s from C^{-1} and $\frac{d}{L} = \frac{2.16}{19.2} = 0.113 \Rightarrow C^{-1} \Rightarrow K_s = 0.9752$
 $C (= \frac{H}{H_0'})$

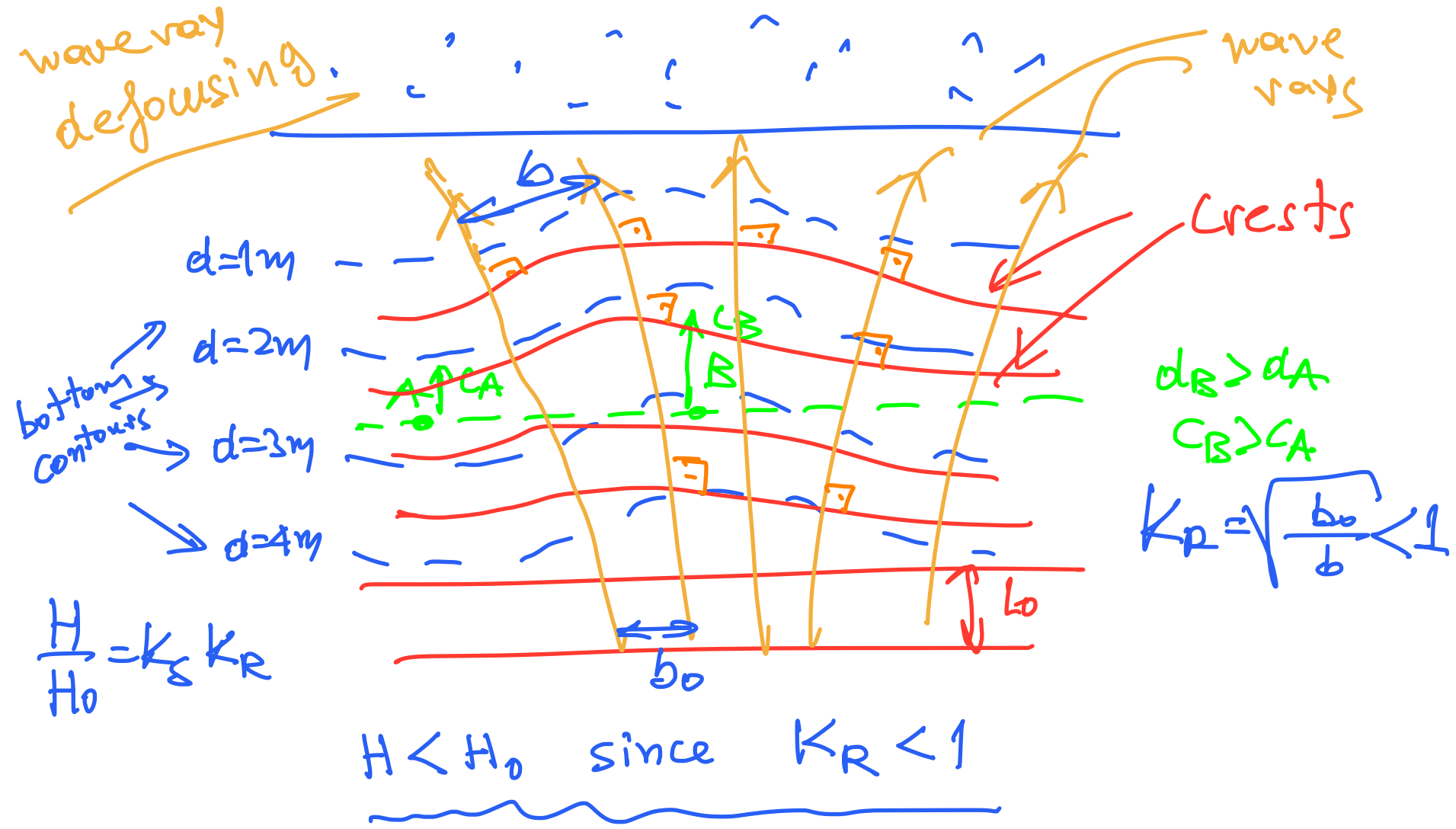
$$K_R = \sqrt{\frac{\cos \alpha_0}{\cos \alpha}} = \sqrt{\frac{\cos(20^\circ)}{\cos(12^\circ)}} = 0.98 \quad ; \quad \frac{H}{H_0} = 0.9732 \times 0.98 = 0.956 \Rightarrow H_0 = 0.418\text{m}$$

WAVE REFRACTION - EXAMPLES

Submarine ridge



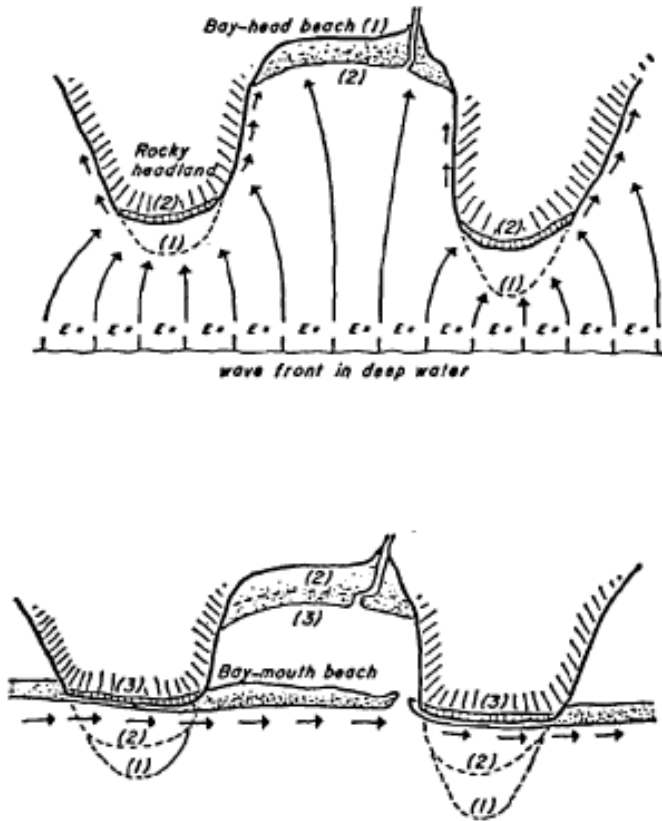
Submarine canyon WAVE REFRACTION - EXAMPLES



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5. For the image below of a headland with wave refraction around it qualitatively explain what the underlying depth contours must be and why the wave crests are bending as they do. Draw the ray lines. Where is wave energy more and less concentrated.



FIG. 6. Waves straighten a rocky coast. *Top*: Zones of equal wave energy in deep water are concentrated by wave refraction so that headlands are attacked. *Bottom*: Eventually headlands are cut back and furnish enough sand to build a straight continuous beach.

WAVE REFRACTION - EXAMPLES

WAVES AND BEACHES

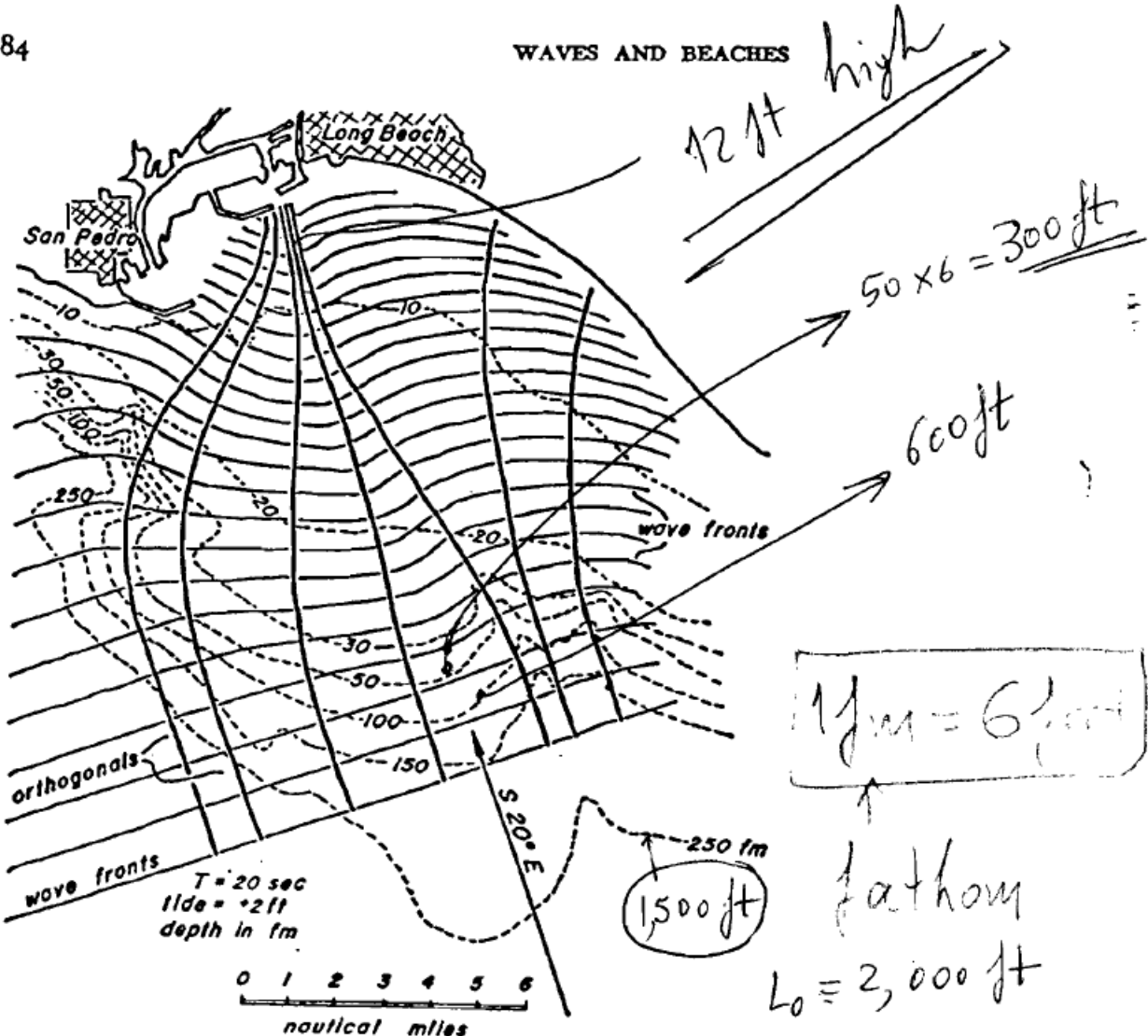


FIG. 30. Refraction diagram for destructive waves at Long Beach, California, showing how underwater topography several hundred feet deep and a dozen miles offshore focused wave energy on the breakwater.