

Lecture 29.

Relativity of interfering and galloping waves: SWR and SWQ I.

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Wave guide and cavity dynamics in space-time (x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3) and per-space-time $(\omega_0, ck_1, ck_2, ck_3)$

Above cut-off: Group vs. phase velocity

Below cut-off: Evanescent waves

Cavity eigenfunctions and eigenvalues

Galloping waves due to unmatched amplitudes

Standing Wave Ratio (SWR) and Standing Wave Quotient (SWQ)

2-Dimensional wave mechanics: guided waves and dispersion in the "Hall of Mirrors"

Any two or three-dimensional wave will be seen to exceed the c -limit when it approaches an axis obliquely. It happens for plane waves. The phase velocities along coordinate axes are given by

$$v_x = \omega / k_x, \quad v_y = \omega / k_y, \quad v_z = \omega / k_z.$$

Each of the components (k_x, k_y, k_z) must be less than or equal to magnitude $k = \sqrt{(k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2)}$.

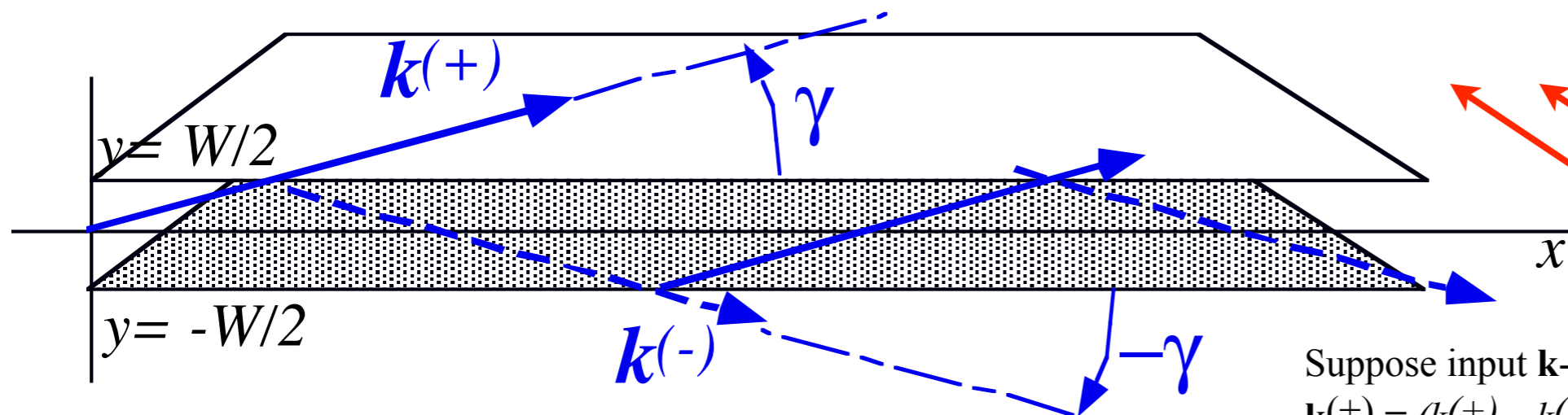
Thus, all the component phase velocities equal or exceed the phase velocity ω / k which is c for light!

A water waves exceeds c if it breaks parallel to shore so 'break-line' moves infinitely fast with $k_x = 0$.

Consider 'Hall of Mirrors' with two parallel mirrors on either side of the x -axis be separated by a distance $y = W$.

The South wall will be at $y = -W/2$ and the North wall at $y = W/2$. (z -axis or "up" is into the page here.)

The Hall should have a floor and ceiling at $z = \pm H/2$ as discussed later. Here waves move in xy -plane only.



Assume $T_{\text{ransverse}}E_{\text{lectric}}$ -mode.
It always has \mathbf{E} polarized parallel to xz plane

Suppose input \mathbf{k} -vector $\mathbf{k}^{(+)}$ enters at angle $+\gamma$.
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y -reflected mirror image has \mathbf{k} -vector $\mathbf{k}^{(-)}$ at angle $-\gamma$.
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Waveguide dispersion and geometry

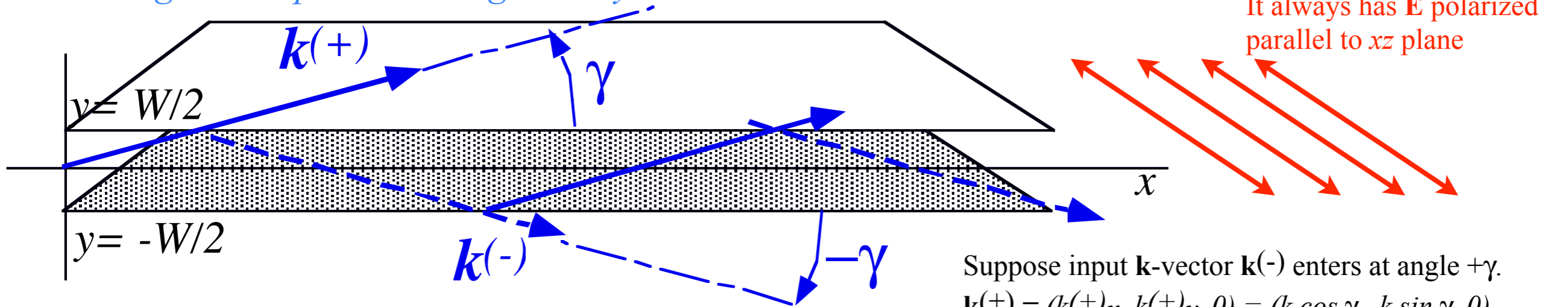


Fig. 6B.1 A "hall of mirrors" model for an optical wave guide of width W .

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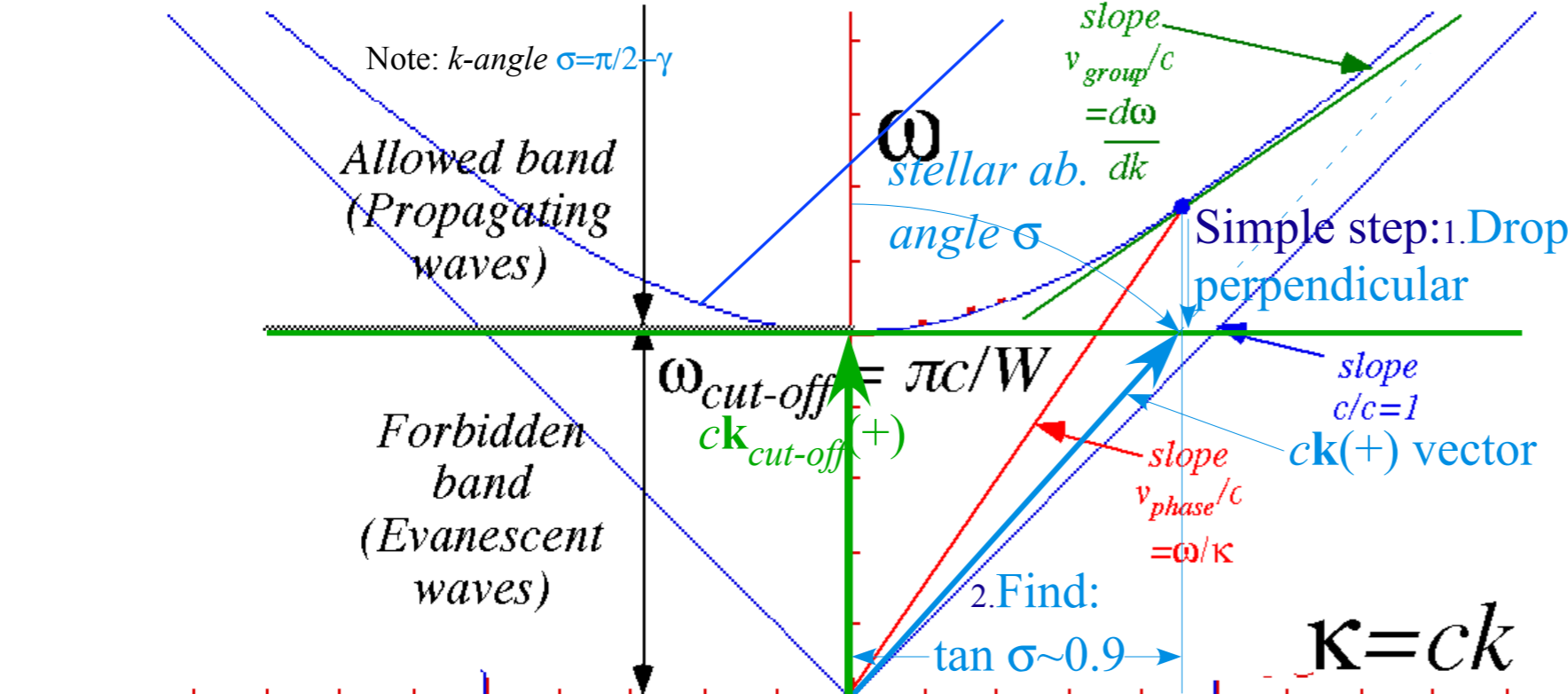
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Condition $k^{(+)}_y = k \sin \gamma = \pi/W$ gives *dispersion function* $\omega(k_x)$ or ω vs. k_x relation

$$\omega = kc = c\sqrt{(k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2)} = c\sqrt{(k_x^2 + \pi^2/W^2)} = \sqrt{(c^2 k_x^2 + \omega_{cut}^2)}$$

where: $\omega_{cut} = \pi c/W$.



$$k_x = \sqrt{(\omega^2/c^2 - \pi^2/W^2)}$$

Fig. 6B.2 Dispersion function for a fundamental TE wave guide mode

Waveguide dispersion and geometry

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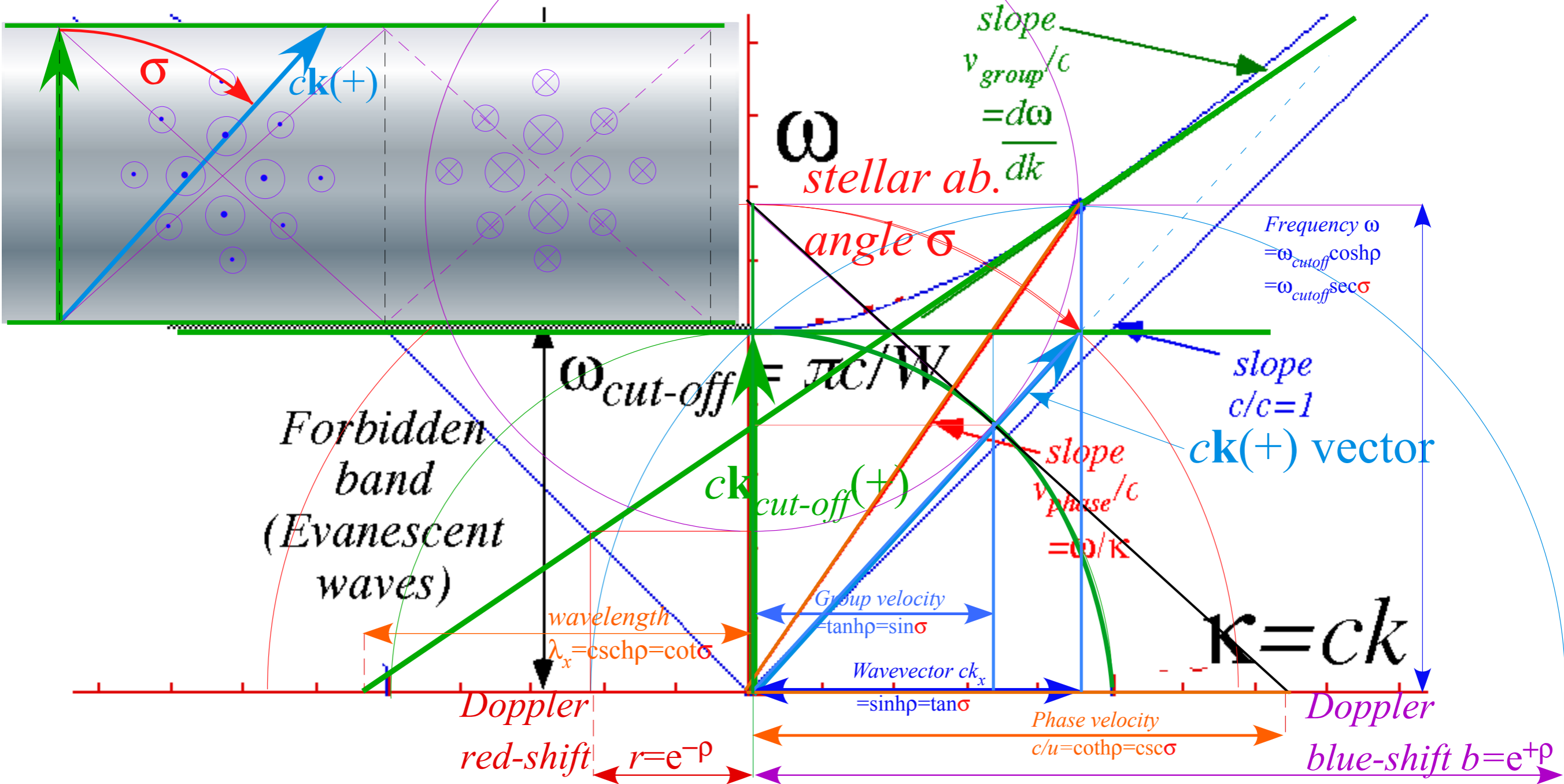


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Waveguide dispersion and geometry

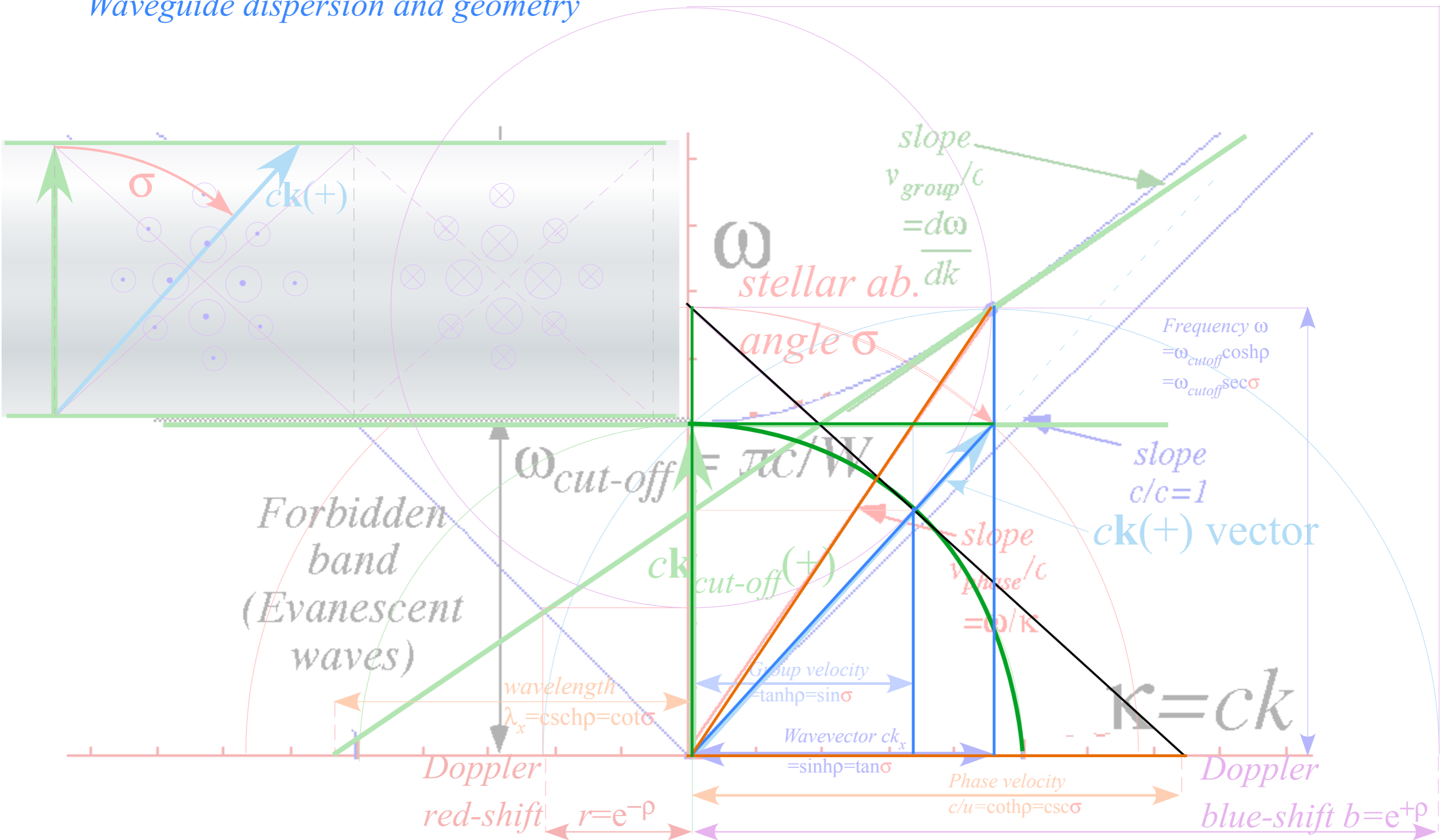


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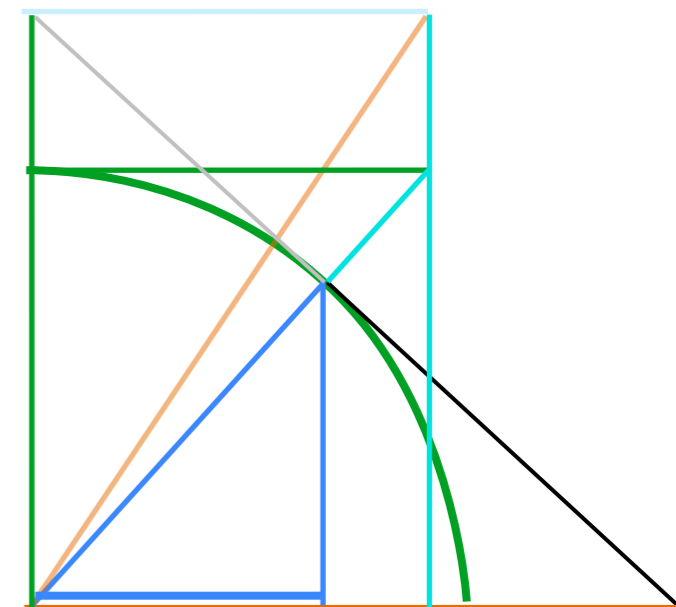
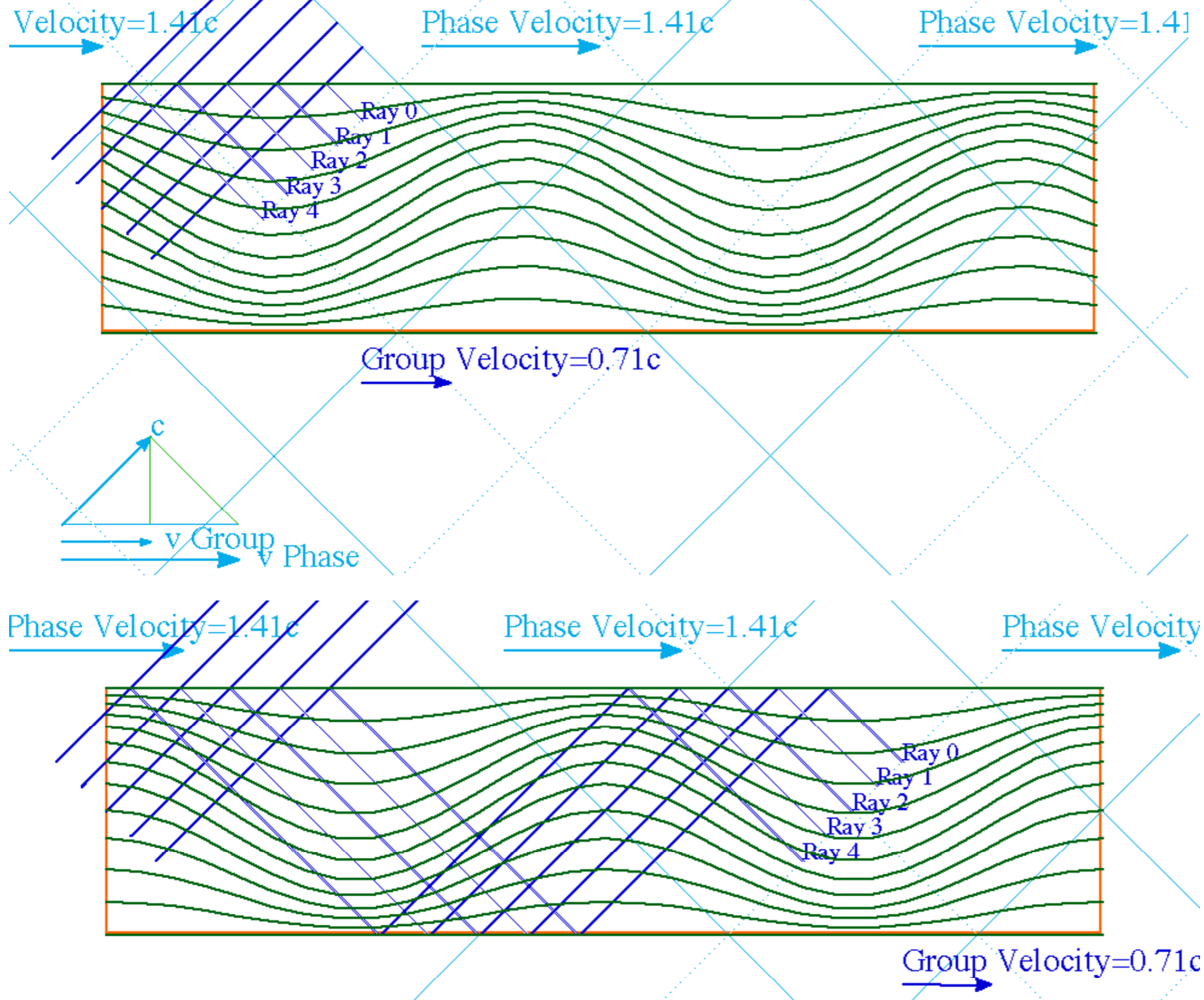
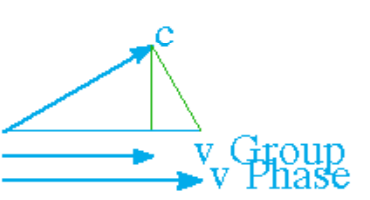
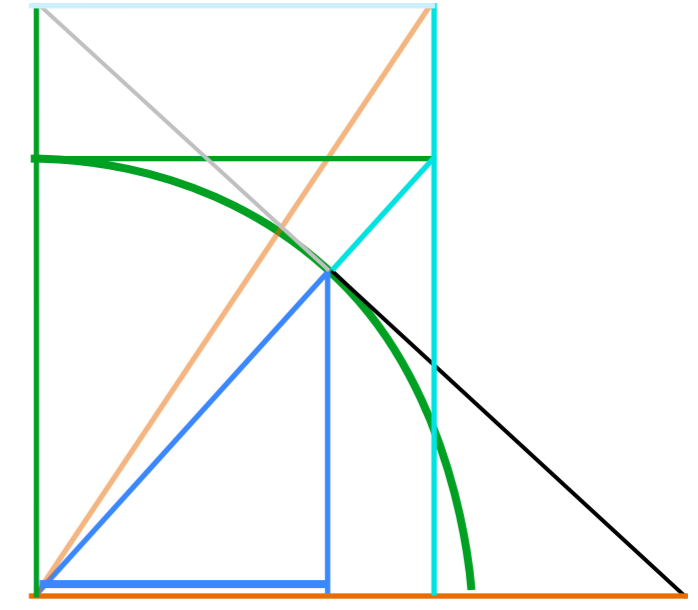
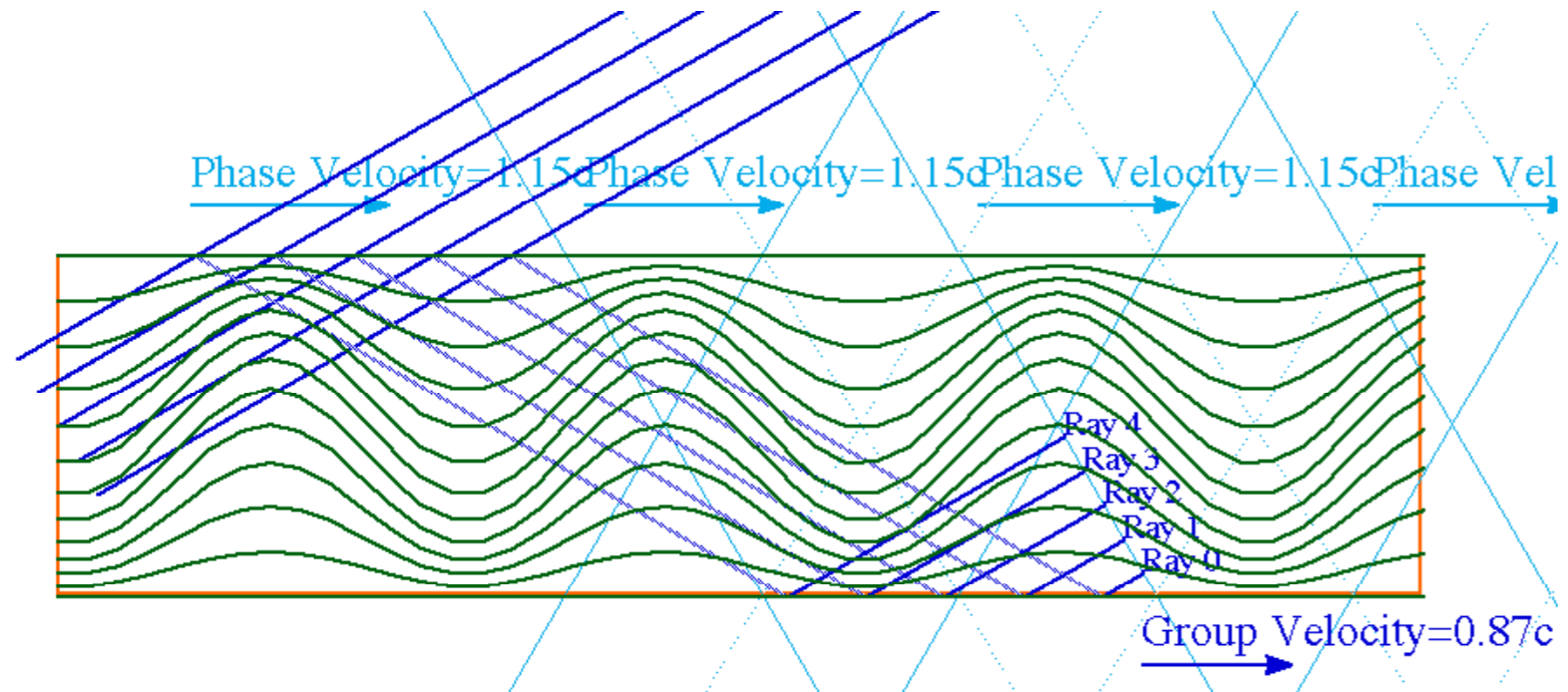


Fig. 6B.3 Right moving guide wave with $\gamma = 45^\circ$, $V_{phase} = \sqrt{2}c$, $V_{group} = c/\sqrt{2}$.

$$k_x = \sqrt{(\omega^2/c^2 - \pi^2/W^2)}$$

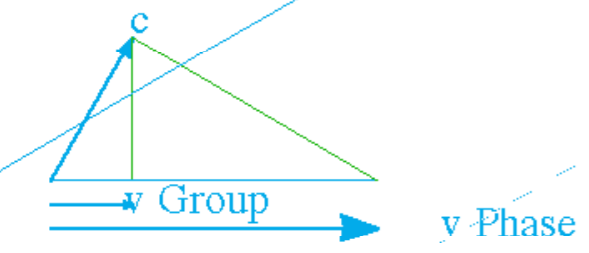
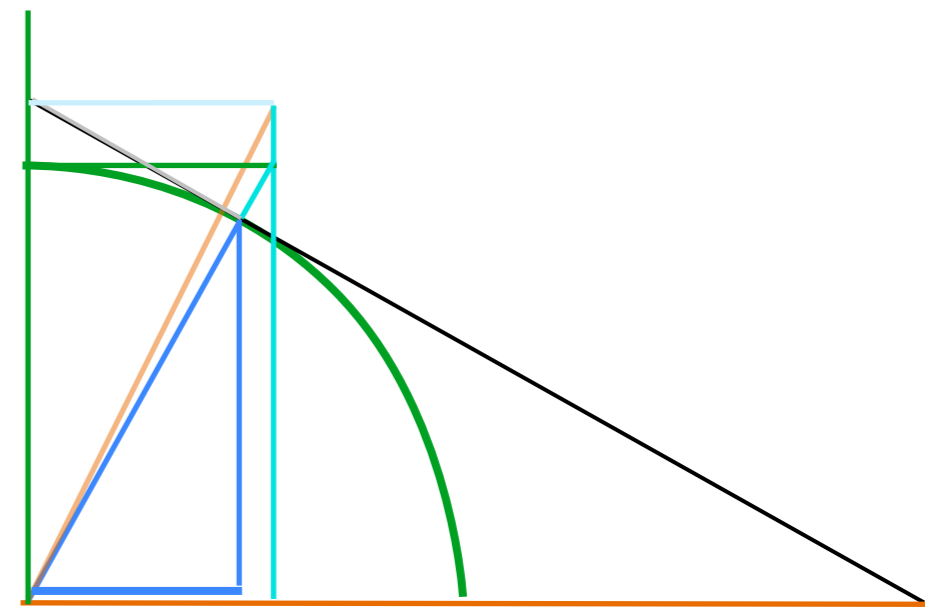
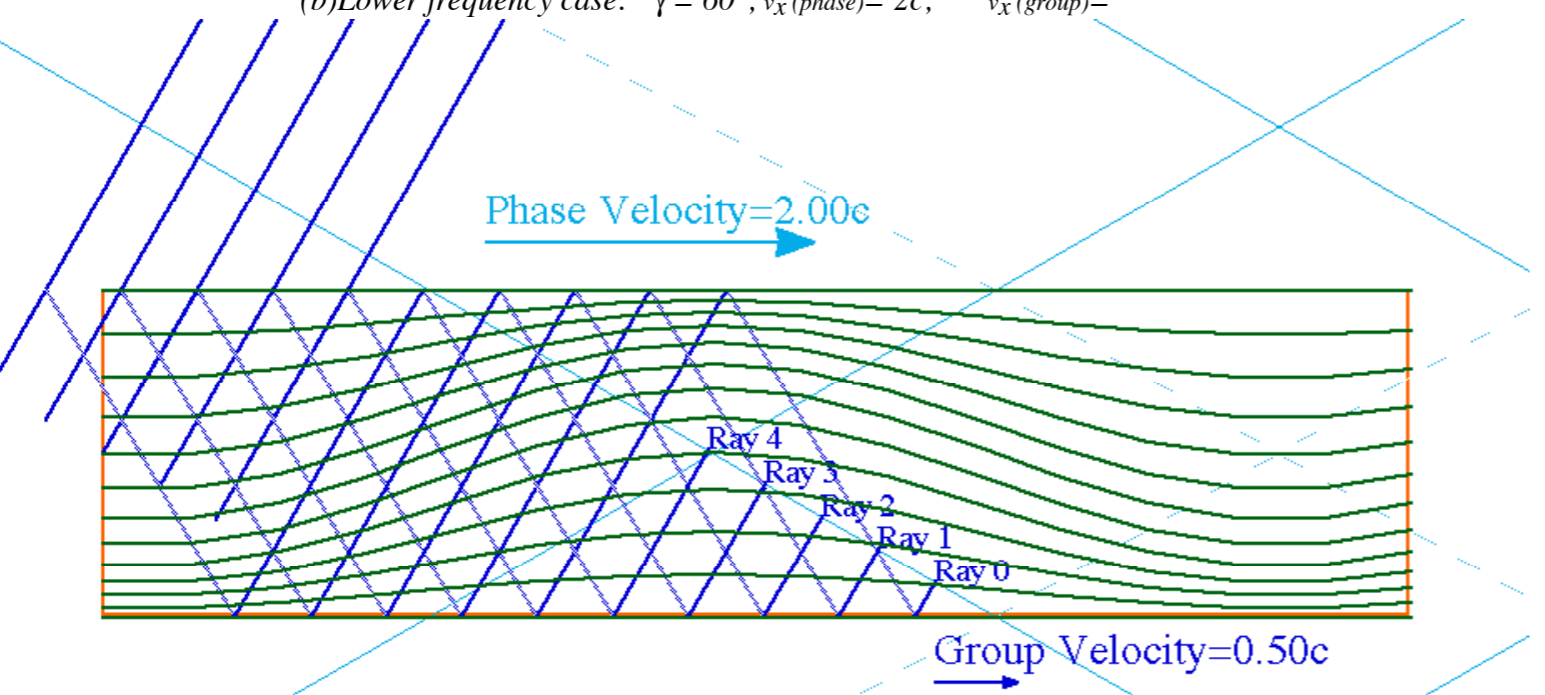
$$\omega = kc = \sqrt{(c^2 k_x^2 + \omega_{cut}^2)}$$



$$v_x(\text{phase}) = \omega/k_x = c\omega / \sqrt{(\omega^2 - \pi^2 c^2/W^2)}$$

$$= c/\cos \gamma = c/\sin \sigma = c \csc \sigma$$

Fig. 6B.5 Guide waves. (a) Higher frequency case: $\gamma = 30^\circ$, $v_x(\text{phase}) = c\sqrt{3}/2c$, $v_x(\text{group}) = c2/\sqrt{3}$.
 (b) Lower frequency case: $\gamma = 60^\circ$, $v_x(\text{phase}) = 2c$, $v_x(\text{group}) =$



$$v_x(\text{group}) = d\omega/dk_x = ck_x / \sqrt{(k_x^2 + \pi^2/W^2)}$$

$$= c(\omega^2 - \pi^2 c^2/W^2)^{1/2} / \omega = c \cos \gamma = c \sin \sigma$$

Below cut-off: Evanescent waves

Consider angular frequency below the so-called *cut-off value* ω_{cut} from (6B.5b).

$$\omega_{cut} = \pi c/W$$

Then the wave vector k_x will go thru zero to becomes imaginary.

$$k_x = \sqrt{(\omega^2 - \pi^2 c^2/W^2)}$$

This affects the the usual *propagating* wave $\Psi = \exp i(k_x x - \omega t)$ rather severely.

Instead of propagating nicely, we get a so-called *evanescent wave* $\Psi = \exp(-\mu_x x)\exp i(-\omega t)$

It decays exponentially with distance x inside wave guide with decay rate constant $\mu_x = \sqrt{(\pi^2 c^2/W^2 - \omega^2)} = ik_x$

Cavity eigenfunctions and eigenvalues

Hall of Mirrors capped by a pair of doors at $x=0$ and $x=L$ becomes a *wave cavity* of length L .

The doors demand the wave electric field be zero at x -boundaries as well as along the walls. New boundary conditions:

$$k_x = k \cos \gamma = n_x \pi / L \quad (n_x = 1, 2, \dots)$$

Frequency bands are broken into discrete "quantized" values $\omega_{n_x n_y}$, one for each pair of integers or "quantum numbers" n_x and n_y .

$$\omega_{n_x n_y} = kc = c\sqrt{(k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2)} = c\sqrt{(n_x^2 \pi^2 / L^2 + n_y^2 \pi^2 / W^2)}$$

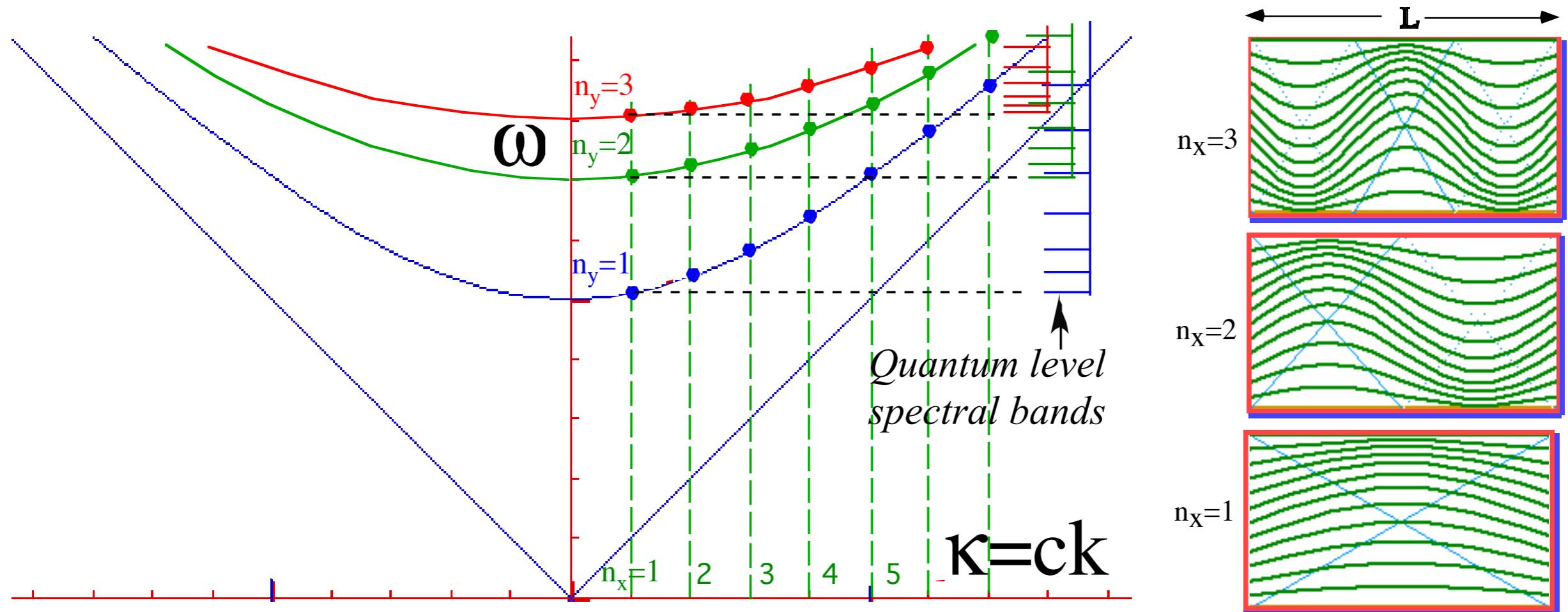


Fig. 6B.7 Cavity modes for three lowest quantum numbers

Fig. 6B.6 Cavity mode dispersion diagram showing overlapping and discrete ω and k values.

Galloping waves due to unmatched amplitudes

2-CW dynamics has two 1-CW amplitudes A_{\rightarrow} and A_{\leftarrow} that we now allow to be *unmatched*. ($A_{\rightarrow} \neq A_{\leftarrow}$)

$$A_{\rightarrow} e^{i(k_{\rightarrow} x - \omega_{\rightarrow} t)} + A_{\leftarrow} e^{i(k_{\leftarrow} x - \omega_{\leftarrow} t)} = e^{i(k_{\Sigma} x - \omega_{\Sigma} t)} [A_{\rightarrow} e^{i(k_{\Delta} x - \omega_{\Delta} t)} + A_{\leftarrow} e^{-i(k_{\Delta} x - \omega_{\Delta} t)}]$$

Waves have half-sum mean-phase rates $(k_{\Sigma}, \omega_{\Sigma})$ and half-difference group rates $(k_{\Delta}, \omega_{\Delta})$.

$$k_{\Sigma} = (k_{\rightarrow} + k_{\leftarrow})/2$$

$$k_{\Delta} = (k_{\rightarrow} - k_{\leftarrow})/2$$

$$\omega_{\Sigma} = (\omega_{\rightarrow} + \omega_{\leftarrow})/2$$

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Also important is amplitude mean $A_{\Sigma} = (A_{\rightarrow} + A_{\leftarrow})/2$ and half-difference $A_{\Delta} = (A_{\rightarrow} - A_{\leftarrow})/2$.

Detailed wave motion depends on standing-wave-ratio *SWR* or the inverse standing-wave-quotient *SWQ*.

$$SWR = \frac{(A_{\rightarrow} - A_{\leftarrow})}{(A_{\rightarrow} + A_{\leftarrow})}$$

$$SWQ = \frac{(A_{\rightarrow} + A_{\leftarrow})}{(A_{\rightarrow} - A_{\leftarrow})}$$

These are analogous mean frequency ratios for group velocity and its inverse that is phase velocity.

$$V_{group} = \frac{\omega_{\Delta}}{k_{\Delta}} = c \frac{(\omega_{\rightarrow} - \omega_{\leftarrow})}{(\omega_{\rightarrow} + \omega_{\leftarrow})}$$

$$V_{phase} = \frac{\omega_{\Sigma}}{k_{\Sigma}} = c \frac{(\omega_{\rightarrow} + \omega_{\leftarrow})}{(\omega_{\rightarrow} - \omega_{\leftarrow})}$$

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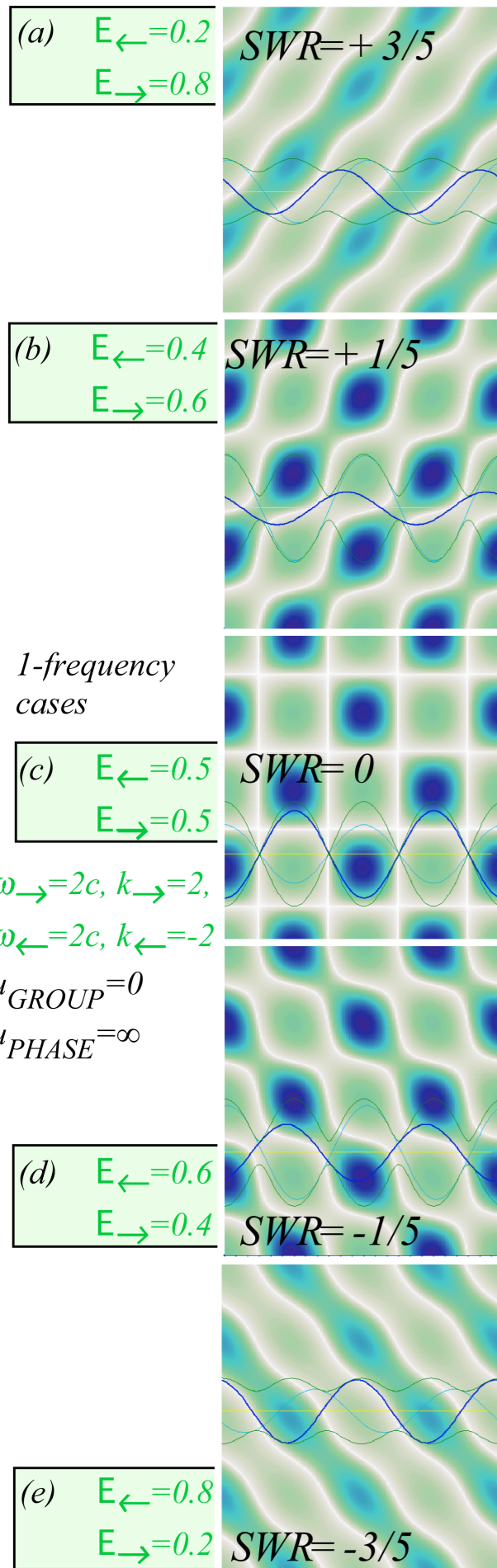


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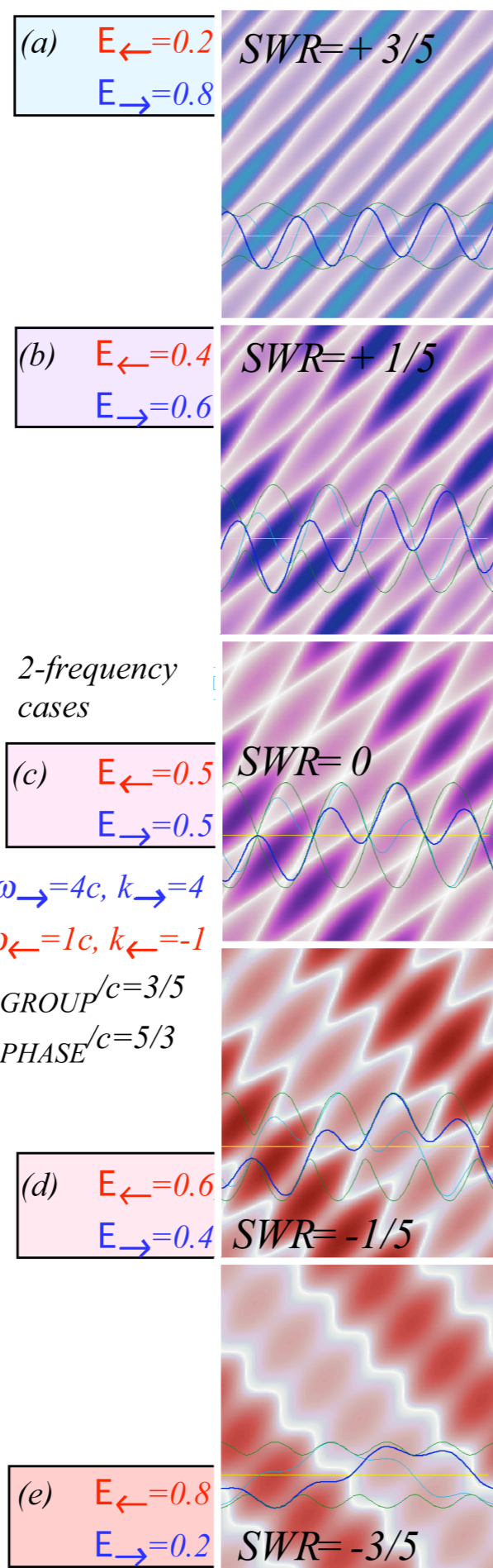


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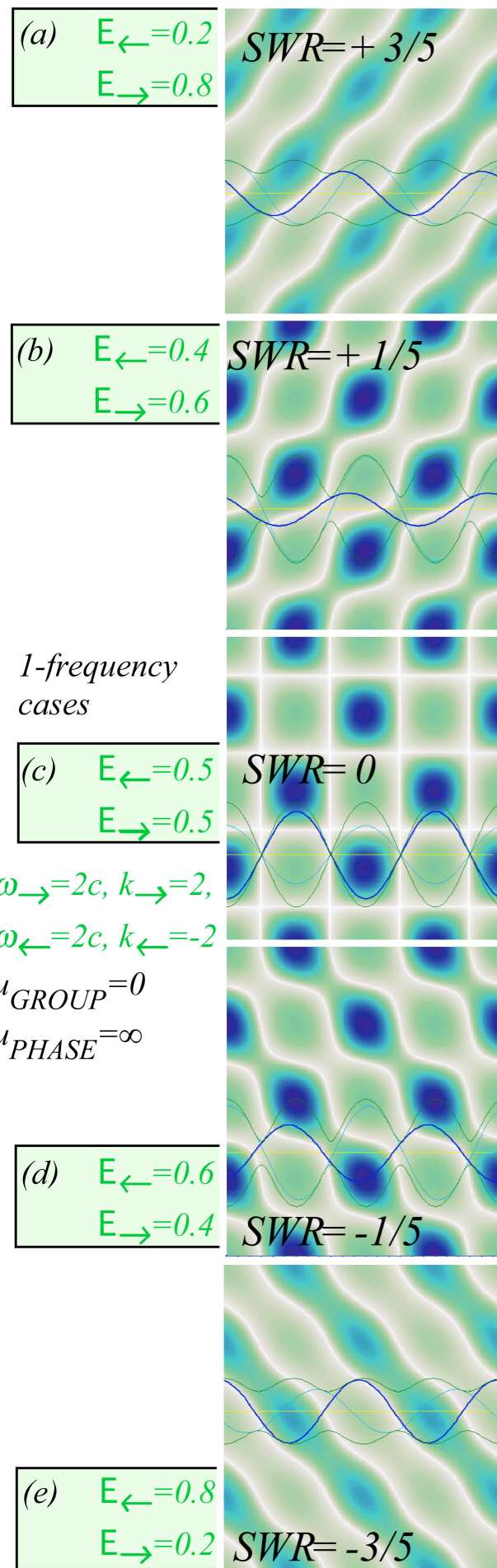


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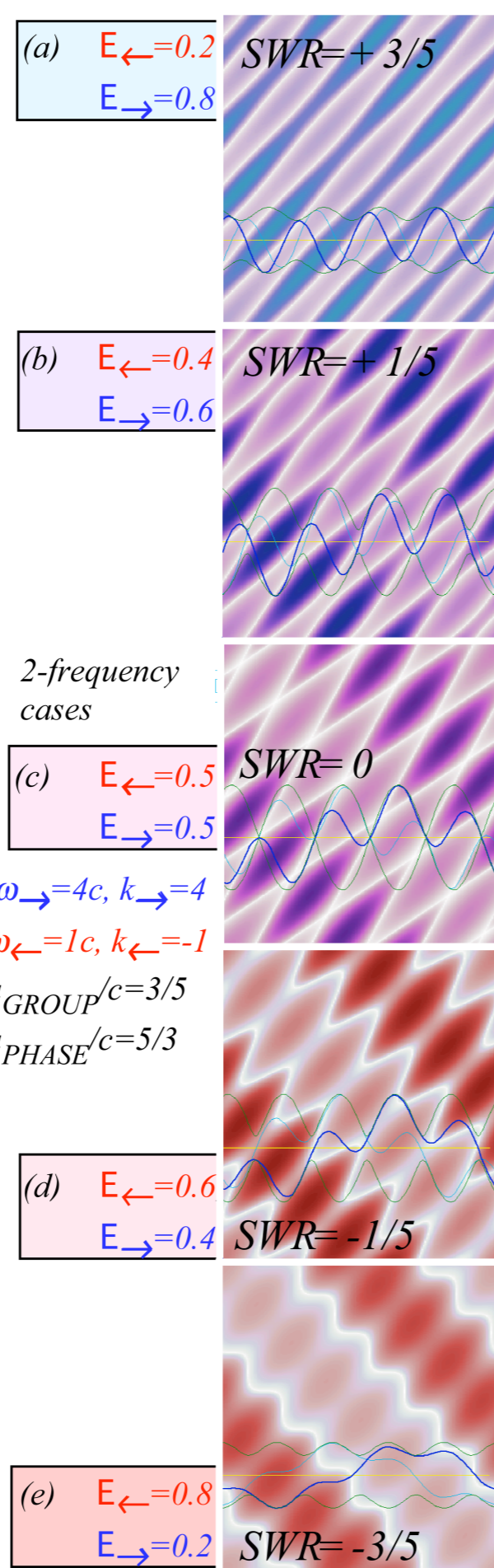


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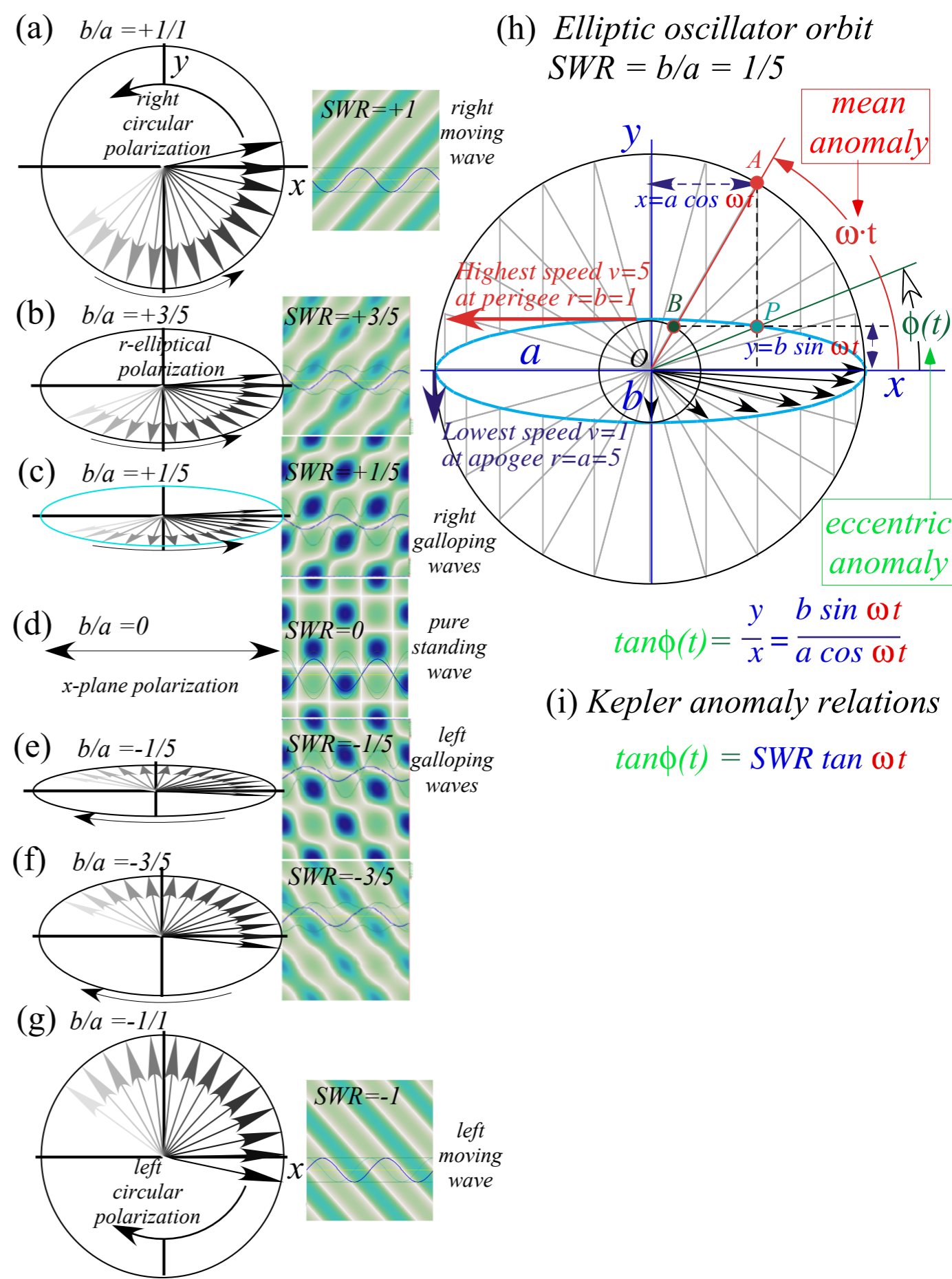


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