

As in previous case, the parallel component light (with amplitude  $E_0 \cos \theta$ ) are allowed to pass through analyzer and the perpendicular components (with amplitude  $E_0 \sin \theta$ ) are absorbed.

Then the intensity of light transmitted through the analyzer is:

$$I \propto (E_0 \cos \theta)^2$$

$$\text{Or, } I = E_0^2 \cos^2 \theta \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

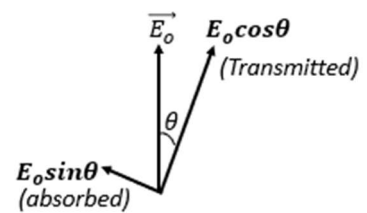
From equations (1) and (2), we get

$$I = I_0 \cos^2 \theta$$

or,

$$I \propto \cos^2 \theta$$

This is Malus law.



**Note:**

**Malus law:**

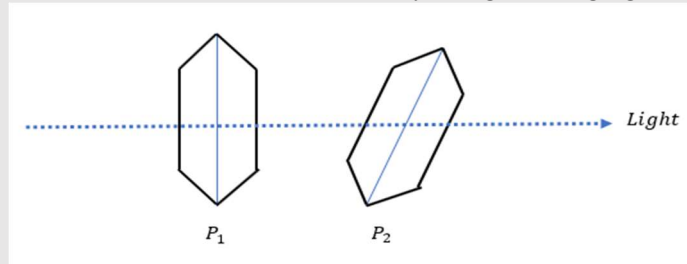
If,  $I_1 =$  intensity of unpolarized light

$I_2 =$  intensity of light transmitted through 1<sup>st</sup> polaroid

$I_3 =$  intensity of light transmitted through 2<sup>st</sup> polaroid

Then,  $I_2 = \frac{I_1}{2}$  and  $I_3 = I_2 \cos^2 \theta$ , where  $\theta$  is the angle between two polaroids.

- Two polaroids are oriented with their planes perpendicular to incident light and their transmission axes are oriented at  $60^\circ$ . Then the percentage of finally transmitted polarized light will be:
  - 12.5%
  - 37.5%
  - 62.5%
  - 87.5%
- In the given figure, two Polaroids:  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are oriented at an angle  $60^\circ$ . If the intensity of unpolarized light incident into  $P_1$  is  $I$ , then the intensity of light emerging from  $P_2$  is:



- $\frac{I}{4}$
- $\frac{I}{8}$
- $4I$
- $8I$

- Two polaroids are inclined at angle of  $30^\circ$ . The intensity of unpolarized light is  $E$ . The ratio of transmitted intensity to absorbed intensity is:
  - $3/8$
  - $3/5$
  - $3/4$
  - $5/3$