

### Refraction and Total internal reflection calculations.

- 3.18 know and use the relationship between refractive index, angle of incidence and angle of refraction:

$$n = \frac{\sin i}{\sin r}$$

- 3.22 know and use the relationship between critical angle and refractive index:

$$\sin c = \frac{1}{n}$$

1) In an experiment to measure the refractive index of glass, when the angle of incidence was  $35^\circ$  the angle of refraction was found to be  $22^\circ$ .

- Calculate the refractive index of the block of glass. What are the units of refractive index?
- If the angle of incidence were  $15^\circ$  what would the angle of refraction be?
- If the angle of refraction was  $28^\circ$  what was the angle of incidence?
- Calculate the critical angle for this block of glass.

2) A beam of laser light is directed towards a tank of water. The angle of incidence is  $45^\circ$  and the angle of refraction is measure to be  $33^\circ$ .

- Calculate the refractive index of water.
- Does light travel faster in water or air?
- Diamond has a high refractive index at 2.4. Does light travel faster in diamond or water?
- For the same laser beam with the same angle of incidence as above what would the angle of refraction be for diamond?
- What is the critical angle for diamond?

1) a)  $n = 1.53$  b)  $r = 9.8^\circ$  c)  $i = 45.9^\circ$  d)  $c = 40.8^\circ$   
2) a)  $n = 1.30$  b) faster in air c) faster in water d)  $r = 17.1^\circ$  e)  $c = 24.6^\circ$