

**“Or les différents systèmes philosophiques, économiques et politiques qui régissent les hommes sont tous d'accord sur un point: bernons-les ...”**

**Roger Waters  
(Pink Floyd, 1974)**



# An introduction to optical/IR interferometry

Brief summary of main results obtained  
during the last lecture:

$$\rho = R / z$$

$$T_{\text{eff}} = (F/\sigma)^{1/4} = (f / \sigma \rho^2)^{1/4}$$



$$E = A(z) \exp[i2\pi\nu t]$$

$$E = A(z, t) \exp[i2\pi\nu t]$$

$$\tau = 1 / \Delta\nu \quad \lambda_{\text{eff}} = \lambda^2 / \Delta\lambda$$

$$I = A A^* = |A|^2 = a^2.$$

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If  $\Delta \geq \lambda / (2B)$ , fringe disappearance!



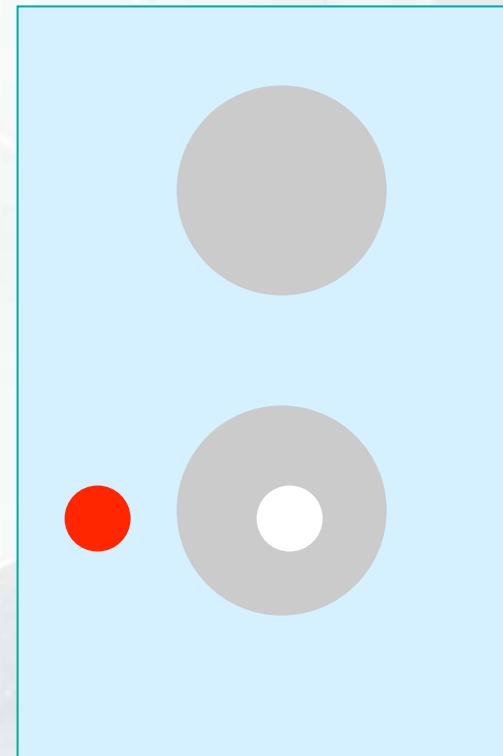
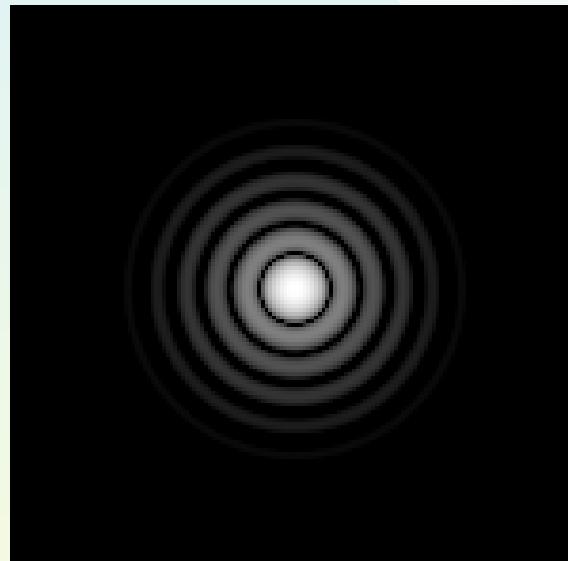
$$I_q = I_+ + I_- + 2I_0 |\gamma_{12}(0)| \cos(\beta_{12} - 2\pi\nu\tau)$$

$$\gamma_{12}(\tau) = \langle V_1^*(t) V_2(t - \tau) \rangle / I$$

Fringe visibility:  $v = \left( \frac{I_{\max} - I_{\min}}{I_{\max} + I_{\min}} \right) = |\gamma_{12}(0)|$

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## ■ 2.2. The Huygens-Fresnel principle



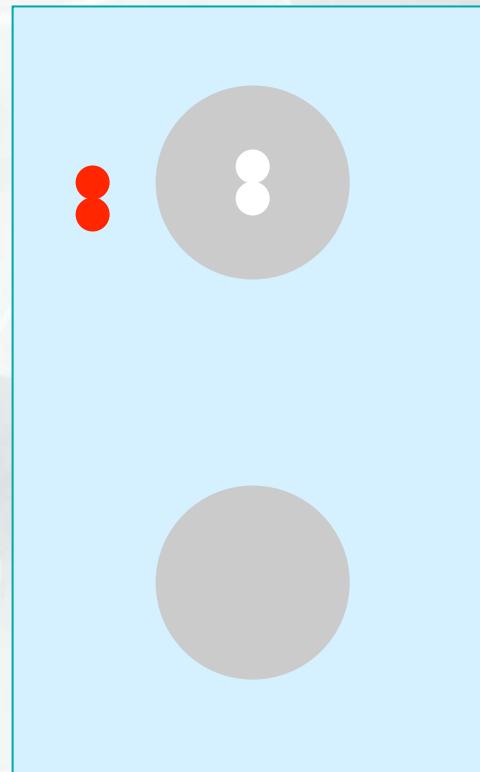
1st experiment!

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- 4 Interferometry with two independent telescopes

b) Fizeau ... the father of stellar interferometry (1868)

2nd experiment!

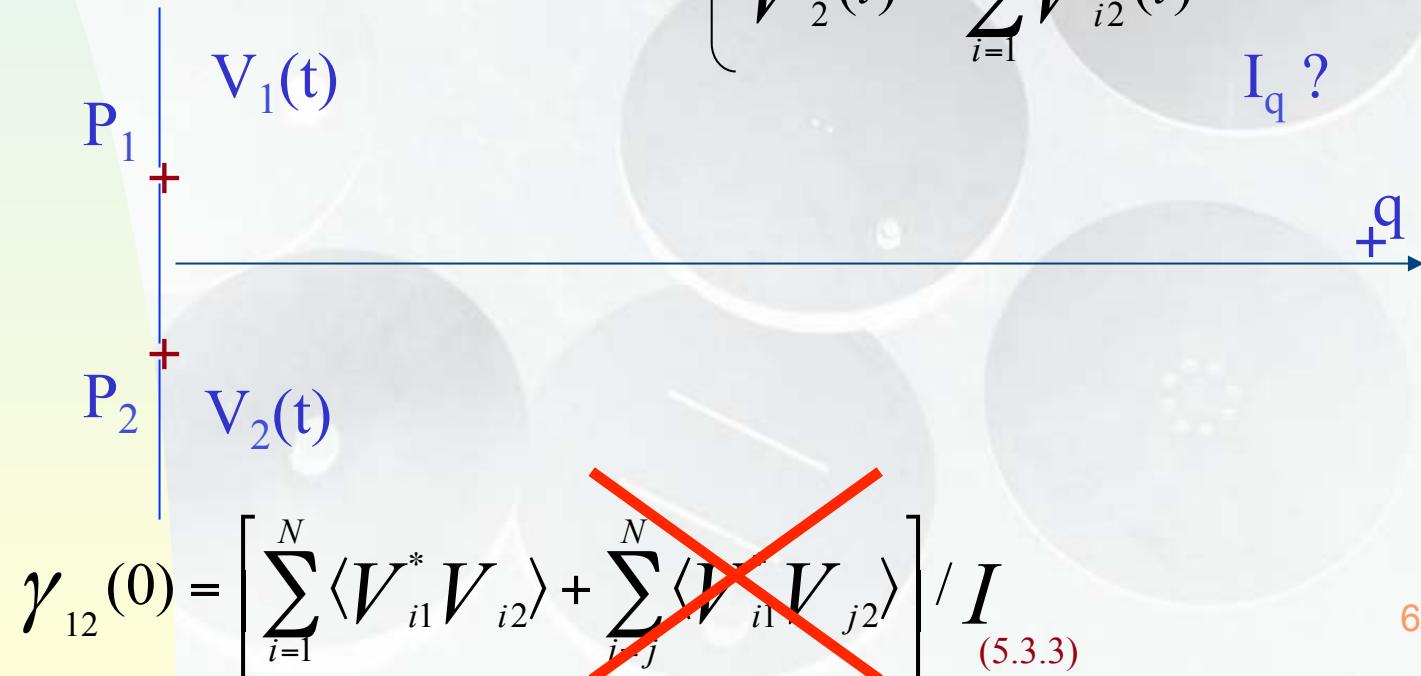
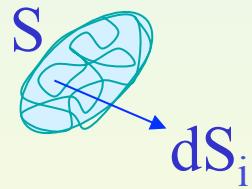


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- 5 Light coherence
- **5.3 Spatial light coherence**

$$?? \quad \gamma_{12}(\tau = 0) = \langle V_1^*(t)V_2(t) \rangle / I_{(5.3.1)}$$

$$S = \sum dS_i \quad \text{for } i = 1, N$$



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$$\gamma_{12}(0) = \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N \langle V_{i1}^* V_{i2} \rangle + \cancel{\sum_{i < j}^N \langle V_{i1}^* V_{j2} \rangle} \right] / I \quad (5.3.3)$$

$$\begin{cases} V_{i1}(t) = \left( a_i(t - r_{i1}/c) / r_{i1} \right) \exp \left\{ i2\pi\nu(t - r_{i1}/c) \right\} \\ V_{i2}(t) = \left( a_i(t - r_{i2}/c) / r_{i2} \right) \exp \left\{ i2\pi\nu(t - r_{i2}/c) \right\} \end{cases} \quad (5.3.4)$$

$$V_{i1}^*(t) V_{i2}(t) = \left| a_i(t - r_{i1}/c) \right|^2 / (r_{i1} r_{i2}) \exp \left\{ -i2\pi\nu(r_{i2} - r_{i1})/c \right\} \quad (5.3.5)$$

as long as:

$$|r_{i1} - r_{i2}| \leq c / \Delta\nu = \lambda^2 / \Delta\lambda = \ell \quad (5.3.6)$$

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$$I(s)ds = \left| a_i(t - r/c) \right|^2 \quad (5.3.7)$$

$$\gamma_{12}(0) = \int_S \frac{I(s)}{r_1 r_2} \exp\{-i2\Pi(r_2 - r_1)/\lambda\} ds / I \quad (5.3.8)$$

!!! Theorem of Zernicke-van Cittert !!!

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$$|r_2 - r_1| = |P_2 P_i - P_1 P_i| = |-(X^2 + Y^2) / 2 Z' + (X \zeta + Y \eta)| \quad (5.3.9)$$

$$\text{where } \zeta = X' / Z' \text{ and } \eta = Y' / Z' \quad (5.3.10)$$

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$$\gamma_{12}(0, X/\lambda, Y/\lambda) = \exp(-i\phi_{X,Y}) \frac{\iint_S I(\zeta, \eta) \exp\{-i2\Pi(X\zeta + Y\eta)/\lambda\} d\zeta d\eta}{\iint_S I(\zeta', \eta') d\zeta' d\eta'} \quad (5.3.11)$$

$$I'(\zeta, \eta) = I(\zeta, \eta) / \iint_S I(\zeta', \eta') d\zeta' d\eta' \quad (5.3.12)$$

Setting  $u = X/\lambda, v = Y/\lambda:$

$$\gamma_{12}(0, u, v) = \exp(-i\phi_{u,v}) \iint_S I'(\zeta, \eta) \exp\{-i2\Pi(u\zeta + v\eta)\} d\zeta d\eta \quad (5.3.13)$$

$$I'(\zeta, \eta) = \iint \gamma_{12}(0, u, v) \exp(i\phi_{u,v}) \exp\{i2\Pi(\zeta u + \eta v)\} d(u) d(v) \quad (5.3.14)$$

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## ■ 5.4 Fourier transform (cf. Léna 1996)

### 5.4.1 Definitions:

$$TF\_f(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-2i\pi s x} dx,$$

(5.4.1)

$$f(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} TF\_f(s) e^{2i\pi s x} ds,$$

(5.4.2)

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(x)|^2 dx.$$

(5.4.3)

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### 5.4.1 Definitions: Generalisation:

$$TF_- f(\vec{w}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\vec{r}) e^{-2i\pi \vec{r} \cdot \vec{w}} dr \quad . \quad (5.4.4)$$

### 5.4.2 Some properties:

#### a) Linearity:

$$TF_-(af) = a TF_- f, \quad a \in \Re, a \text{ being a constant},$$

(5.4.5)

$$TF_-(f+g) = TF_- f + TF_- g.$$

(5.4.6)

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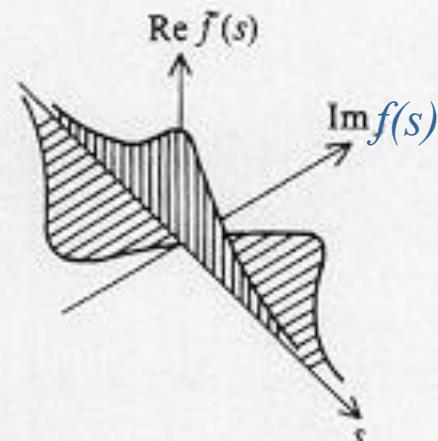
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### 5.4.2 Some properties: b) Symmetry & parity:

$$f(x) = P(x) + I(x), \quad (5.4.7)$$

$$TF\_f(s) = 2 \int_0^{\infty} P(x) \cos(2\pi x s) dx - 2i \int_0^{\infty} I(x) \sin(2\pi x s) dx. \quad (5.4.8)$$

Illustration of  $TF\_f(s)$ :  $f(x)$  is a real function. The real and imaginary parts of  $TF\_f(s)$  are shown.



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c) Similitude:

$$\text{TF}_-(f(x/a))(s) = |a| \text{TF}_-(f(x))(sa),$$

(5.4.9)

where  $a \in \Re$ , is a constant.

d) Translation:

$$\text{TF}_-(f(x - a))(s) = e^{-2i\pi as} \text{TF}_-(f(x))(s)$$

(5.4.10)

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e) Derivation:

$$\text{TF\_}(df/dx)(s) = 2i\pi s \text{ TF\_}f(s), \text{ TF\_}(d^n f/dx^n)(s) = (2i\pi s)^n \text{ TF\_}f(s). \quad (5.4.11)$$

5.4.3 Some important cases (one dimension):

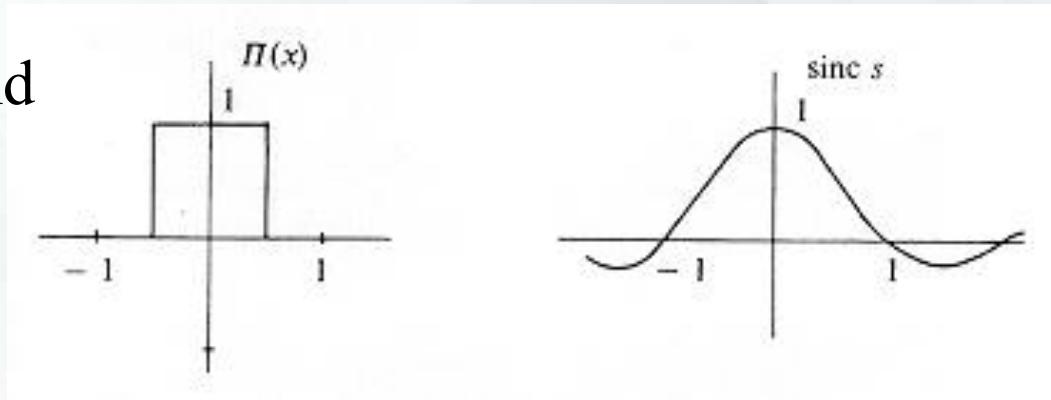
a) Door function:

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi(x) &= 1 \text{ if } x \in ]-1/2, 1/2[, \\ &= 0 \text{ if } x \in ]-\infty, -1/2] \text{ or } x \in [1/2, \infty[. \end{aligned} \quad (5.4.12)$$

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The door function and  
its Fourier transform  
(cardinal sine)



$$\text{TF}_-(\Pi(x))(s) = \text{sinc}(s) = \sin(\pi s) / \pi s. \quad (5.4.13)$$

$$\text{TF}_-(\Pi(x/a))(s) = |a| \text{sinc}(as) = |a| \sin(\pi as) / \pi as. \quad (5.4.14)$$

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b) Dirac distribution:

$$\delta(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{2i\pi s x} ds .$$

(5.4.15)

its Fourier transform is thus unity (= 1) in the interval  $]-\infty, \infty[$ .

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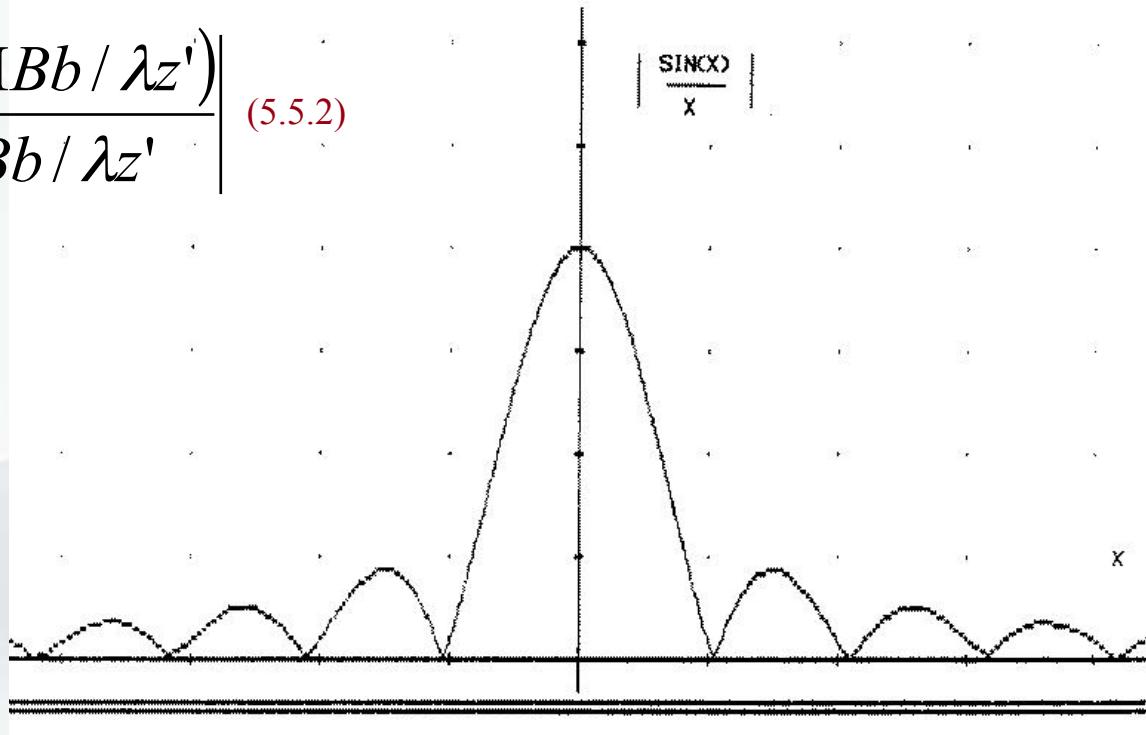
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$$v = \left| \gamma_{12}(0, B/\lambda) \right| = \left| \frac{\sin(\Pi B b / \lambda z')}{\Pi B b / \lambda z'} \right| \quad (5.5.2)$$

$$\Pi B b / \lambda z' = \Pi \quad (5.5.3)$$

$\Delta \sim \lambda / B$ , for a  $(5.5.4)$   
rectangular source.

$\Delta \sim 1.22 \lambda / B$ , for  $(5.5.5)$   
a circular source !



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**Exercises (...): point-like source?, double point-like source with a flux ratio = 1?, gaussian-like source?, uniform disk source?, ...**