

# Lectures on classical optics

## Part II

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# Light beams

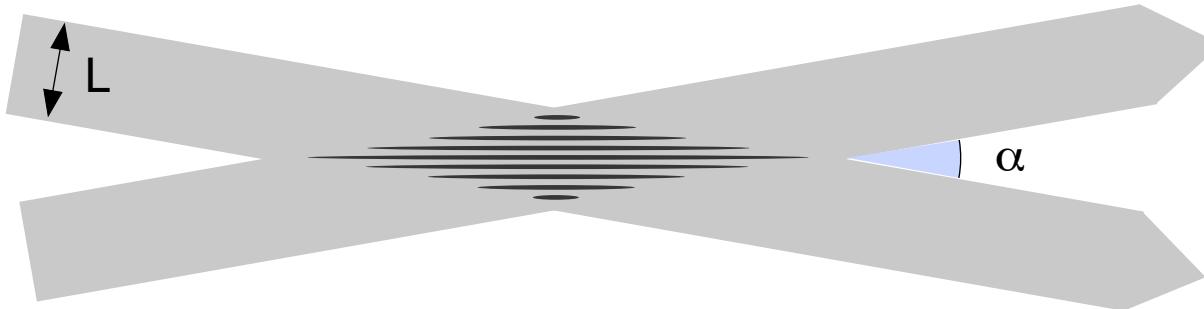
Plane waves: parallel infinitely extending wave fronts

Laterally localized beams: must diverge

Assume laterally localized beam, which does not diverge

Choose  $\alpha$  sufficiently small, such that the interference pattern in the intersection region exhibits a periodicity  $\gg$  beam diameter  $L$ .

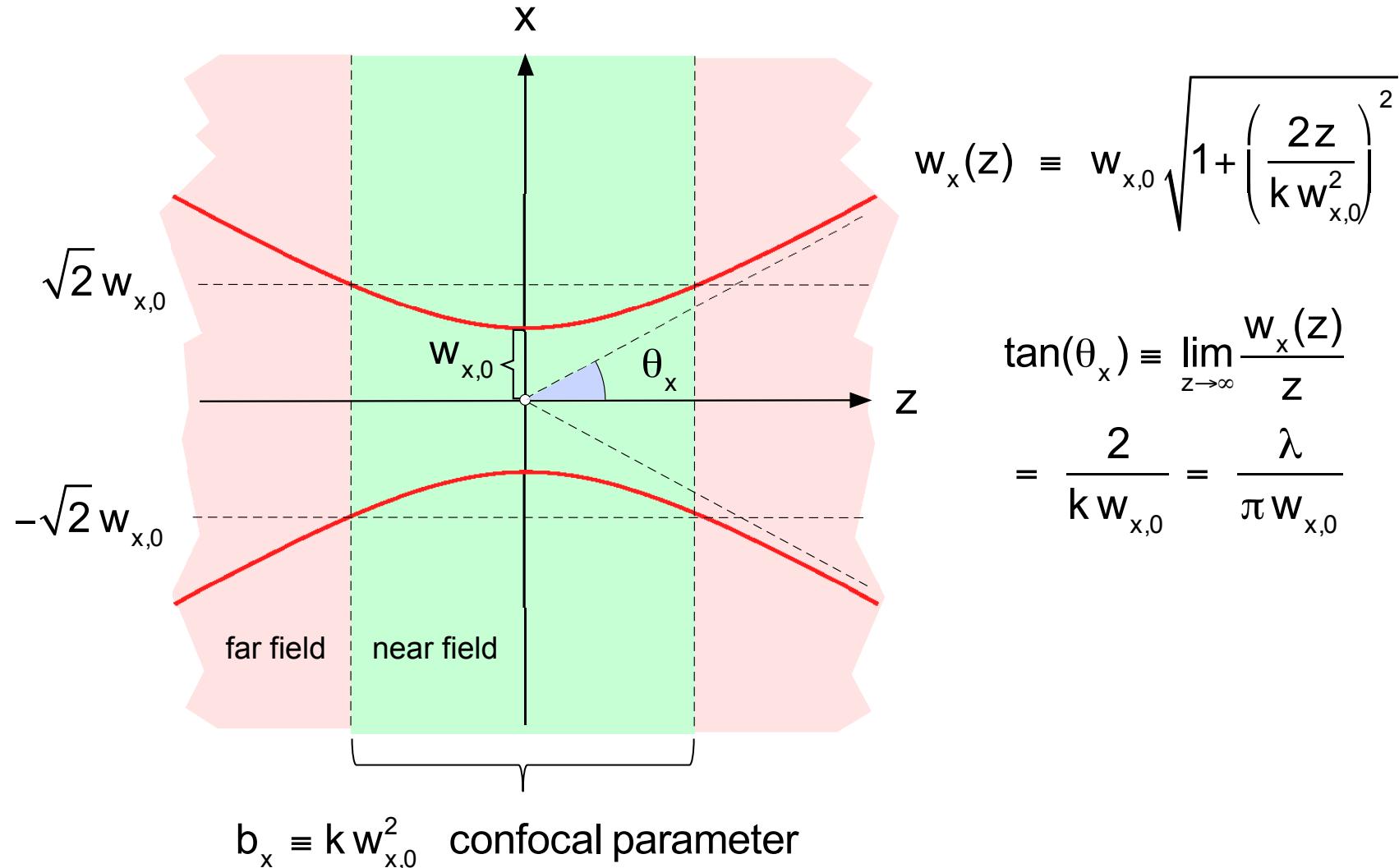
Hence, the intersection region may be chosen to be completely dark, which is incompatible with energy conservation  $\nabla S = 0$ .



Distance between interference maxima  $d = \frac{\lambda}{\alpha}$ .

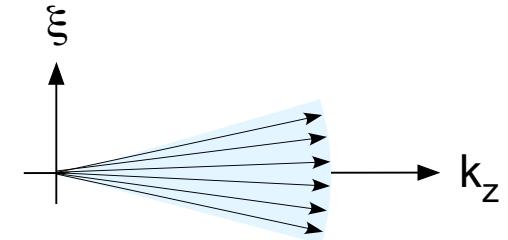
Energy conservation requires divergence angle  $\theta$  such that  $\forall L < d : \alpha = \frac{\lambda}{d} < \theta$   
and hence  $\lambda/L < \theta$

## An important class of confined beams: Gaussian beams



# Gaussian beam as a superposition of plane waves

$$\psi(x, y, z) \equiv \frac{1}{\pi \Delta \xi \Delta \eta} \int d\xi d\eta e^{-i(k_z(\xi, \eta)z + \xi x + \eta y)} e^{-\left(\frac{\xi}{\Delta \xi}\right)^2} e^{-\left(\frac{\eta}{\Delta \eta}\right)^2}$$



paraxial approximation:  $k_z = \sqrt{k^2 - \xi^2 - \eta^2} \approx k - \frac{1}{2k}(\xi^2 + \eta^2)$

With  $e^{-\left(\frac{\xi}{\Delta \xi}\right)^2} e^{i\frac{\xi^2 z}{2k}} = e^{-\xi^2 \left(\frac{1}{\Delta \xi^2} - i\frac{z}{2k}\right)}$  obtain

$$= \frac{e^{-ikz}}{\pi \Delta \xi \Delta \eta} \int d\xi d\eta e^{-i(\xi x + \eta y)} e^{-\left(\frac{\xi}{\Delta \tilde{\xi}}\right)^2} e^{-\left(\frac{\eta}{\Delta \tilde{\eta}}\right)^2} \text{ with } \frac{1}{\Delta \tilde{\xi}^2} = \frac{1}{\Delta \xi^2} - i\frac{z}{2k}, \frac{1}{\Delta \tilde{\eta}^2} = \frac{1}{\Delta \eta^2} - i\frac{z}{2k}$$

$$= \frac{\Delta \tilde{\xi} \Delta \tilde{\eta}}{\Delta \xi \Delta \eta} e^{-ikz} e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\Delta \tilde{x}}\right)^2} e^{-\left(\frac{y}{\Delta \tilde{y}}\right)^2}, \Delta \tilde{x} \equiv \frac{2}{\Delta \tilde{\xi}}, \Delta \tilde{y} \equiv \frac{2}{\Delta \tilde{\eta}}$$

use  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\xi e^{-i\xi x} e^{-(a\xi)^2} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{a} e^{-\left(\frac{x}{2a}\right)^2}$

## Statement:

$$\Rightarrow \psi(x,y,z) \equiv \sqrt{\frac{w_{x,0} w_{y,0}}{w_x w_y}} e^{-i \left[ kz - \frac{1}{2}(\Phi_x + \Phi_y) + \frac{k}{2} \left( \frac{x^2}{R_x} + \frac{y^2}{R_y} \right) \right]} e^{-\left( \frac{x^2}{w_x^2} + \frac{y^2}{w_y^2} \right)}$$

with abbreviations

$$w_x(z) \equiv w_{x,0} \sqrt{1 + \left( \frac{2z}{k w_{x,0}^2} \right)^2}, \quad w_y(z) \equiv w_{y,0} \sqrt{1 + \left( \frac{2z}{k w_{y,0}^2} \right)^2}$$

beam diameters

$$w_{x,0} \equiv \frac{2}{\Delta\xi}, \quad w_{y,0} \equiv \frac{2}{\Delta\eta}$$

$$R_x(z) \equiv z \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{k w_{x,0}^2}{2z} \right)^2 \right], \quad R_y(z) \equiv z \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{k w_{y,0}^2}{2z} \right)^2 \right]$$

curvature radii

$$\Phi_x(z) \equiv \arctan \left( \frac{2z}{k w_{x,0}^2} \right), \quad \Phi_y(z) \equiv \arctan \left( \frac{2z}{k w_{y,0}^2} \right)$$

**Guoy phases**  
Louis Georges Guoy  
1854-1926

## Proof

A. We show that  $\frac{\Delta\tilde{\xi}}{\Delta\xi} = \sqrt{\frac{w_{x,0}}{w_x(z)}} e^{i\frac{1}{2}\Phi_x(z)}$

$$\frac{1}{\Delta\tilde{\xi}^2} = \frac{1}{\Delta\xi^2} - i\frac{z}{2k}, \quad w_{x,0} \equiv \frac{2}{\Delta\xi} \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{\Delta\xi^2}{\Delta\tilde{\xi}^2} = 1 - i\Delta\xi^2 \frac{z}{2k} = 1 - i\frac{4}{w_{x,0}^2} \frac{z}{2k}$$

$$\frac{\Delta\tilde{\xi}^2}{\Delta\xi^2} = \frac{1 + i\frac{4}{w_{x,0}^2} \frac{z}{2k}}{1 + \left(\frac{4}{w_{x,0}^2} \frac{z}{2k}\right)^2} = \frac{e^{i\arctan\left(\frac{4}{w_{x,0}^2} \frac{z}{2k}\right)}}{\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{4}{w_{x,0}^2} \frac{z}{2k}\right)^2}} = \frac{w_{x,0}}{w_x(z)} e^{i\Phi_x(z)}$$

use  $c = \sqrt{\operatorname{Re}(c)^2 + \operatorname{Im}(c)^2} e^{i\arctan\left(\frac{\operatorname{Im}(c)}{\operatorname{Re}(c)}\right)}$

$$\frac{\Delta\tilde{\xi}}{\Delta\xi} = \sqrt{\frac{w_{x,0}}{w_x(z)}} e^{i\frac{1}{2}\Phi_x(z)}$$

B. We show that  $e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\Delta\tilde{x}}\right)^2} = e^{-x^2\left[\frac{1}{w_x^2} + i\frac{k}{2R_x}\right]}$

$$(*) \Delta\tilde{\xi}^2 = \Delta\xi^2 \frac{1+i\frac{4}{w_{x,0}^2}\frac{z}{2k}}{1+\left(\frac{4}{w_{x,0}^2}\frac{z}{2k}\right)^2} = \frac{4}{w_{x,0}^2\left(1+\left(\frac{2z}{kw_{x,0}^2}\right)^2\right)} + \frac{i2k}{z\left[1+\left(\frac{w_{x,0}^2}{2}\frac{k}{z}\right)^2\right]} = \frac{4}{w_x^2} + i\frac{2k}{R_x(z)}$$

A.  $\Delta\xi^2 = \frac{4}{w_{x,0}^2}$

$$\Delta\tilde{x} = \frac{2}{\Delta\tilde{\xi}} \Rightarrow e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\Delta\tilde{x}}\right)^2} = e^{-\left(\frac{\Delta\tilde{\xi}x}{2}\right)^2} = e^{-\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^2\left[\frac{4}{w_x^2} + i\frac{2k}{R_x}\right]} = e^{-x^2\left[\frac{1}{w_x^2} + i\frac{k}{2R_x}\right]}$$

A. & B. lead to

$$\frac{\Delta\tilde{\xi}}{\Delta\xi} e^{-ikz} e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\Delta\tilde{x}}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{w_{x,0}}{w_x(z)}} e^{i\frac{1}{2}\Phi_x(z)} e^{-ikz} e^{-x^2\left[\frac{1}{w_x^2} + i\frac{k}{2R_x}\right]}$$

## Consider spherical hypersurfaces in paraxial approximation

$$C: \left\{ (x,z) \mid (z - (z_0 - R_x))^2 + x^2 = R_x^2 \right\}$$

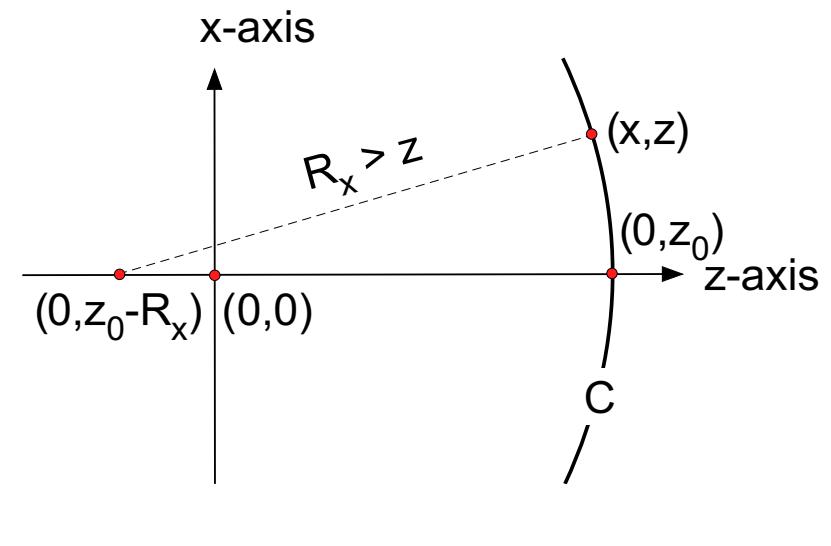
$$(z - (z_0 - R_x))^2 + x^2 = R_x^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (z - z_0)^2 + 2(z - z_0)R_x + x^2 = 0$$

$$\underbrace{\Leftrightarrow}_{z_0 \approx z} 2(z - z_0)R_x + x^2 = 0 \Leftrightarrow kz + \frac{kx^2}{2R_x} = kz_0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow e^{-i \left[ kz + \frac{kx^2}{2R_x} \right]} = e^{-i kz_0} = \text{constant}$$

$\Leftrightarrow C$  is an area of constant phase

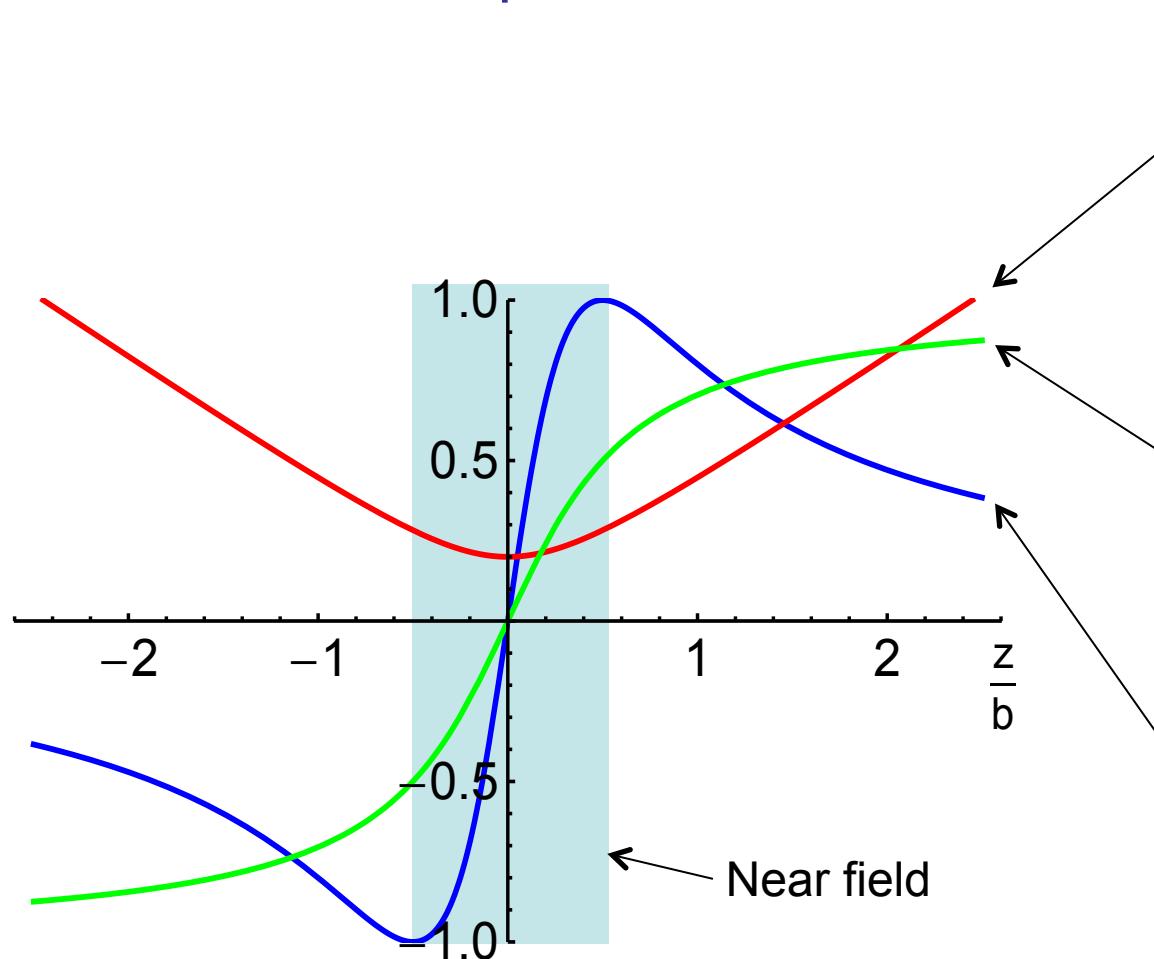


$$e^{-i \left[ kz - \frac{1}{2}(\Phi_x + \Phi_y) + \frac{k}{2} \left( \frac{x^2}{R_x} + \frac{y^2}{R_y} \right) \right]}$$

Relative minimum of  $R_x(z) = z + \frac{1}{z} \left( \frac{b_x}{2} \right)^2$ ,  $b_x \equiv k w_{x,0}^2$

$$0 = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} R_x(z) \Rightarrow z_{\min} = \frac{b_x}{2}, R_{x,\min} = R_x(z_{\min}) = b_x$$

# Gaussian beam parameters



beam radius

$$\frac{w(z)}{5w_0} = \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{2z}{b}\right)^2}$$

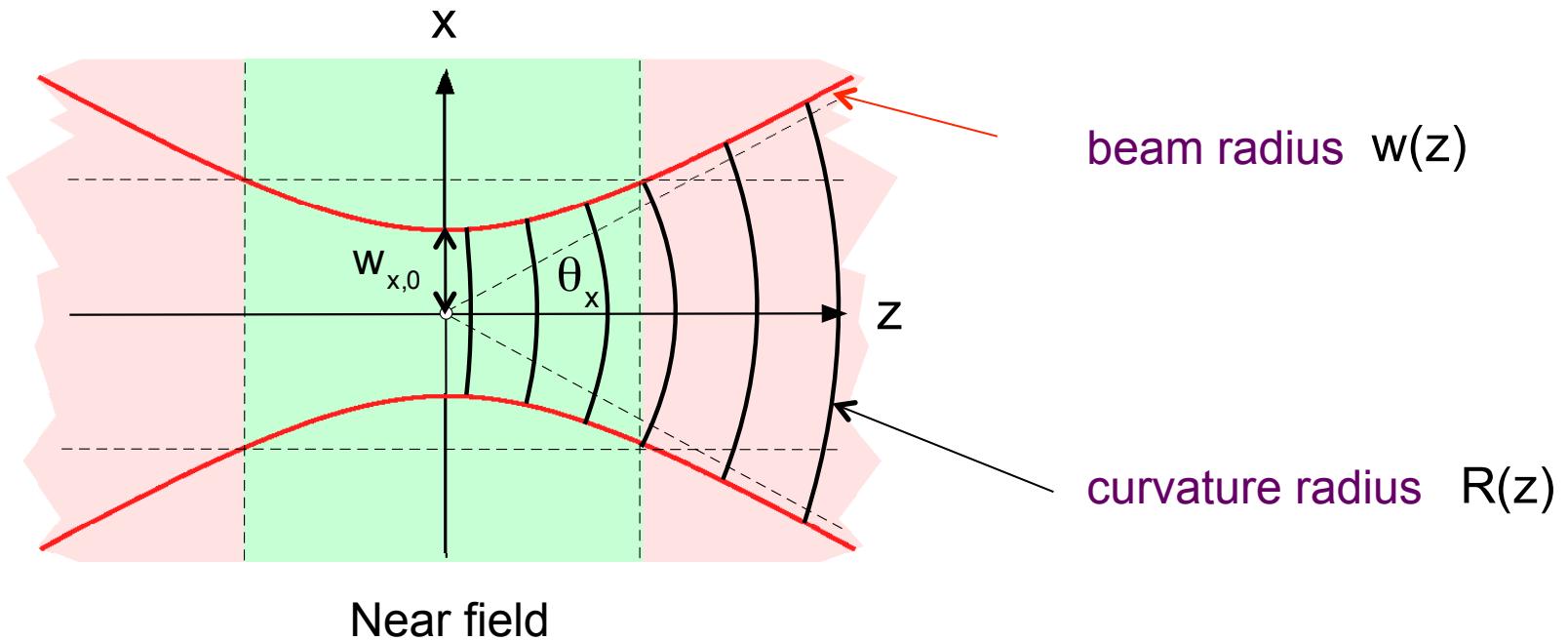
Guoy phase

$$\frac{2}{\pi} \Phi(z) = \frac{2}{\pi} \arctan\left(\frac{2z}{b}\right)$$

Curvature

$$\frac{R_{min}}{R(z)} = \frac{4zb}{4z^2 + b^2}$$

## Gaussian beam: beam radius and curvature radius



$$\tan(\theta_x) \equiv \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{w_x(z)}{z} = \frac{2}{kw_{x,0}} = \frac{\lambda}{\pi w_{x,0}}$$

# Paraxial wave equation

Helmholtz equation  $(\Delta + k^2) \psi(x,y,z) = 0$ ,  $\psi(x,y,z) \equiv u(x,y,z) e^{-ikz}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} - 2ik \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = 0$$

paraxial approximation:  $\left| \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} \right| \ll \left| k \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right|, \left| \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \right|, \left| \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right|$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} - 2ik \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = 0 \quad \text{paraxial wave equation}$$

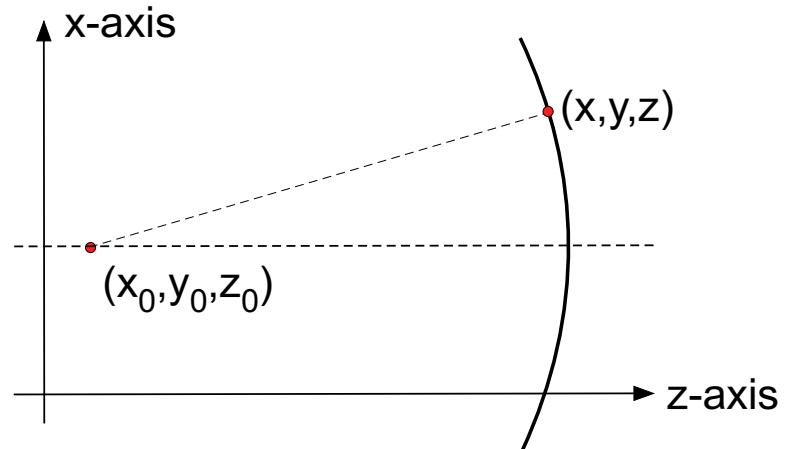
Analogous equation in quantum mechanics: Schrödinger equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} - i\hbar \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = 0$$

## Paraxial spherical waves

Spherical wave  $\psi \propto \frac{e^{-ik|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0|}}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0|}$

is an exact solution to wave equation



expand  $|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0| = z - z_0 + \frac{(x - x_0)^2 + (y - y_0)^2}{2(z - z_0)} + \dots$

$$\psi \propto e^{-ik(z-z_0)} u(x,y,z), \quad u(x,y,z) = \frac{1}{z-z_0} e^{-ik \frac{(x-x_0)^2 + (y-y_0)^2}{2(z-z_0)}} \quad \text{is an exact solution}$$

of the paraxial wave equation (for arbitrary complex source points  $x_0, y_0, z_0$ )

Generalization for different curvature radii in x- and y-directions

$$u(x,y,z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{z-z_x} \sqrt{z-z_y}} e^{-ik \frac{(x-x_0)^2}{2(z-z_x)}} e^{-ik \frac{(y-y_0)^2}{2(z-z_y)}}$$

Set  $x_0 = y_0 = 0$  and choose complex source coordinates

$$z_x = z_{x,0} - i \frac{kw_{x,0}^2}{2}, \quad z_y = z_{y,0} - i \frac{kw_{y,0}^2}{2}$$

define q-parameters  $q_v \equiv z - z_v = z - z_{v,0} + i \frac{kw_{v,0}^2}{2}$ ,  $v \in \{x, y\}$

$$\Rightarrow u(x, y, z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{q_x q_y}} e^{-ik \frac{x^2}{2q_x}} e^{-ik \frac{y^2}{2q_y}}$$

Astigmatic Gauss mode

use  $\frac{1}{q_v} = \frac{1}{z - z_v} = \frac{1}{R_v(z - z_{v,0})} - i \frac{2}{kw_v(z - z_{v,0})^2} = \frac{-2i}{kw_{v,0}^2} \frac{w_{v,0}}{w_v(z - z_{v,0})} e^{i\Phi_v(z - z_{v,0})}$  (\*)  
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to show that

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{q_v}} e^{-ik \frac{x^2}{2q_v}} = \sqrt{\frac{-2i}{kw_{v,0}^2}} \sqrt{\frac{w_{v,0}}{w_v(z - z_{v,0})}} e^{\frac{i}{2}\Phi_v(z - z_{v,0})} e^{-\frac{x^2}{w_v(z - z_{v,0})^2}} e^{-ik \frac{x^2}{2R_v(z - z_{v,0})}}$$

Résumé: Gauss beams arise as paraxial spherical waves with complex source coordinates

## Proof of (\*)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{q_v} &= \frac{1}{z - z_{v,0} + i \frac{k w_{v,0}^2}{2}} = \frac{z - z_{v,0} - i \frac{k w_{v,0}^2}{2}}{\left(z - z_{v,0}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{k w_{v,0}^2}{2}\right)^2} = -i \frac{2}{k w_{v,0}^2} \frac{1 + i \frac{2(z - z_{v,0})}{k w_{x,0}^2}}{1 + \left(\frac{2(z - z_{v,0})}{k w_{x,0}^2}\right)^2} \\
 &= -i \frac{2}{k w_{v,0}^2} \frac{e^{i \arctan\left(\frac{2(z - z_{v,0})}{k w_{x,0}^2}\right)}}{\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{2(z - z_{v,0})}{k w_{x,0}^2}\right)^2}} = -i \frac{2}{k w_{v,0}} \frac{e^{i \Phi(z - z_{v,0})}}{w_v(z - z_{v,0})}
 \end{aligned}$$

use  $c = \sqrt{\operatorname{Re}(c)^2 + \operatorname{Im}(c)^2} e^{i \arctan\left(\frac{\operatorname{Im}(c)}{\operatorname{Re}(c)}\right)}$

## Basis for paraxial wave equation (Cartesian coordinates)

In the following we provide a basis system of orthonormal Gauss Hermite modes such that each solution of the paraxial wave equation arises as a superposition of basis members

$$u(x,y,z) = f(x,z) g(y,z) \text{ and } f, g \text{ satisfy } \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} - 2ik \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} - 2ik \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = 0$$

Ansatz  $f(x,z) = A(q(z)) \cdot H\left(\frac{x}{p(z)}\right) \cdot e^{-\frac{i k x^2}{2q(z)}}$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \left( \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} - 2ik \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \right) = \frac{f(x,z)}{p(z)^2 H\left(\frac{x}{p(z)}\right)} .$$

$$\left[ H''\left(\frac{x}{p(z)}\right) - 2ikx \left( \frac{p(z)}{q(z)} - p'(z) \right) H'\left(\frac{x}{p(z)}\right) - ik \frac{p(z)^2}{q(z)} H\left(\frac{x}{p(z)}\right) \left( 1 + 2q(z)q'(z) \frac{A'(q(z))}{A(q(z))} + i \frac{k x^2}{q(z)} (q'(z) - 1) \right) \right] \quad (1)$$

Proposition: because of

$$0 = H''\left(\frac{x}{p(z)}\right) - 2ikx \left(\frac{p(z)}{q(z)} - p'(z)\right) H'\left(\frac{x}{p(z)}\right) - ik \frac{p(z)^2}{q(z)} H\left(\frac{x}{p(z)}\right) \left(1 + 2q(z)q'(z) \frac{A'(q(z))}{A(q(z))} + i \frac{kx^2}{q(z)} (q'(z) - 1)\right) \quad (1)$$

$H$  satisfies the Hermitian differential equation

$$H_n''\left(\frac{x}{p}\right) - \frac{2x}{p} H_n'\left(\frac{x}{p}\right) + 2n H_n\left(\frac{x}{p}\right) = 0 \quad (2a)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow p'(z) = \frac{p(z)}{q(z)} + \frac{i}{kp(z)} \quad (2b)$$

$$A'(q(z))q'(z) = A(q(z)) \left( \frac{in}{kp(z)^2} - \frac{1}{2q(z)} - i \frac{kx^2}{2q(z)^2} (q'(z) - 1) \right) \quad (2c)$$

Proof: equations (1) and (2a)

$$\Leftrightarrow -\frac{2x}{p} = -2ikx \left(\frac{p(z)}{q(z)} - p'(z)\right) \\ -ik \frac{p(z)^2}{q(z)} \left(1 + 2q(z)q'(z) \frac{A'(q(z))}{A(q(z))} + i \frac{kx^2}{q(z)} (q'(z) - 1)\right) = 2n$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (2b) \text{ and } (2c)$$

Define  $q(z), p(z), R(z), w(z)$  by the relations

$$q(z) = z + q_0, \quad q_0 = i \frac{kw_0^2}{2} = i \frac{b}{2}, \quad \frac{1}{q(z)} = \frac{1}{R(z)} - i \frac{2}{kw(z)^2}, \quad p(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} w(z)$$

It follows:  $q^*q = z^2 + \frac{1}{4}b^2, \quad q^* - q = -ib \quad (3a)$

and hence:  $p^2(z) = \frac{1}{2}w^2 = \frac{1}{2}w_0^2 \left(1 + \left(\frac{2z}{b}\right)^2\right) = \frac{2}{bk} \left(1 + \left(\frac{2z}{b}\right)^2\right) = \frac{2}{ik} \frac{z^2 + \frac{b^2}{4}}{-ib} = \frac{2}{ik} \frac{q^*q}{q^* - q} \quad (3b)$

It follows  $q'(z) = 1 \quad (4a)$

$$p'(z) = \frac{p(z)}{q(z)} + \frac{i}{kp(z)} \quad (4b)$$

Proof of (4b) : with (3b) obtain  $2pp' = \frac{4z}{kb}$

furthermore

$$\begin{aligned} 2p \left( \frac{p}{q} + \frac{i}{kp} \right) &= \frac{2p^2}{q} + \frac{2i}{k} = \frac{4}{kb} \frac{z^2 + \frac{1}{4}b^2}{z + i\frac{1}{2}b} + \frac{2i}{k} \\ &= \frac{\frac{4}{kb} (z^2 + \frac{1}{4}b^2)(z - i\frac{1}{2}b) + \frac{2i}{k} (z^2 + \frac{1}{4}b^2)}{z^2 + \frac{1}{4}b^2} = \frac{4z}{kb} \end{aligned}$$

It follows with (2c), (3b) that

$$\frac{A'(q(z))}{A(q(z))} \stackrel{(2c)}{=} \frac{\ln}{kp(z)^2} - \frac{1}{2q(z)} \stackrel{(3b)}{=} \frac{n}{2q^*(z)} - \frac{n+1}{2q(z)}$$

and hence

$$d \ln(A(q(z))) = \frac{n}{2q^*(z)} dz - \frac{n+1}{2q(z)} dz = \frac{n}{2q^*(z)} dq^* - \frac{n+1}{2q(z)} dq$$

$$= d \left[ \frac{n}{2} \ln(q^*(z)) - \frac{n+1}{2} \ln(q(z)) \right] = d \left[ \ln \left( \frac{q^{*n/2}}{q^{(n+1)/2}} \right) \right] \Rightarrow A = A_0 \frac{q^{*n/2}}{q^{(n+1)/2}}$$

Together

$$f_n(x, z) \equiv \left( \frac{2}{\pi} \right)^{1/4} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n n! w_{x,0}}} \left( \frac{q_{x,0}}{q_x(z)} \right)^{1/2} \left( \frac{q_{x,0} q_x^*(z)}{q_{x,0}^* q_x(z)} \right)^{n/2} H_n \left( \frac{\sqrt{2} x}{w_x(z)} \right) \cdot e^{-\frac{i k x^2}{2q_x(z)}}$$

$$\psi_{nm}(x, y, z) = f_n(x, z) f_m(y, z) e^{-ikz}$$

Normalization

$$\int dx dz f_n(x, z) f_m^*(x, z) = \delta_{nm}$$

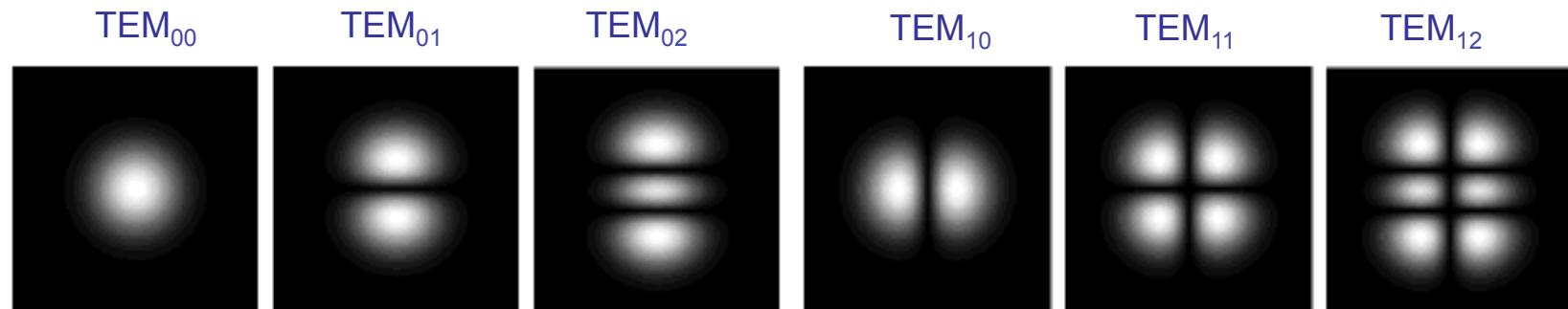
use  $\left(\frac{q_{x,0}}{q_x(z)}\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{q_{x,0} q_x^*(z)}{q_{x,0}^* q_x(z)}\right)^{n/2} = \sqrt{\frac{w_{v,0}}{w_v(z - z_{v,0})}} e^{i(n+1/2)\Phi_v(z - z_{v,0})}$  to obtain

$$f_n(x, z) = \left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right)^{1/4} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n n!}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{w_v(z - z_{v,0})}} e^{i(n+1/2)\Phi_v(z - z_{v,0})} H_n\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}x}{w_x(z - z_{v,0})}\right) \cdot e^{-\frac{i}{2q_x(z - z_{v,0})} kx^2}$$

$z_{x,0} \neq z_{y,0} \Rightarrow$  astigmatic beam

$w_{x,0} \neq w_{y,0} \Rightarrow$  elliptic beam

## Various Gauss-modes



# Diffraction

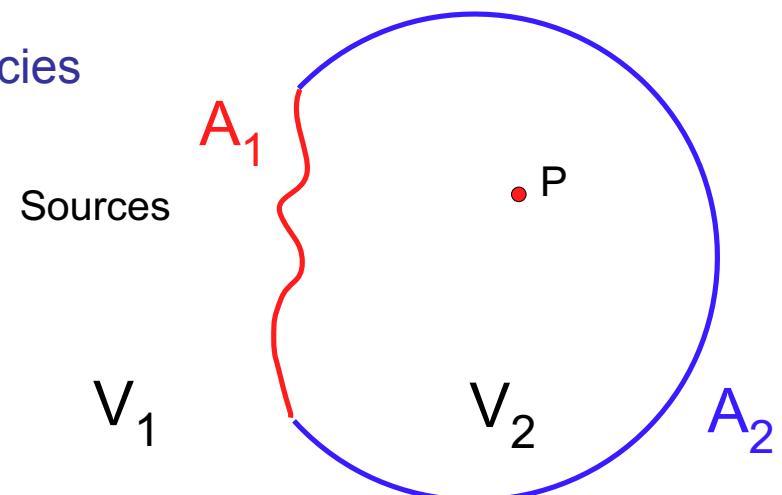
## Outline of problem:

A volume  $V_2$  is bounded by the surfaces  $A_1$  and  $A_2$ .  $A_1$  may, for example, represent a screen with some apertures. The electric field, originating from sources inside the volume  $V_1$ , is known on  $A_1$  and on  $A_2$ .

Determine field at point P

We apply a scalar theory: only the electric field interacts with the environment in a polarization-independent way. The magnetic field follows the electric field.

- good approximation for optical frequencies
- not true in the microwave domain

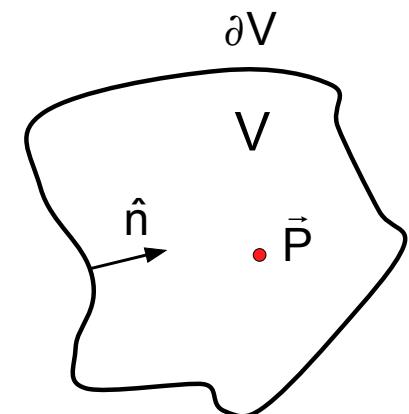


# Derivation of Kirchhoff's Integral

$$(\Delta + k^2) \psi(\vec{x}) = 0$$

$$(\Delta + k^2) G(\vec{x}, \vec{p}) = \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{p})$$

$$\Rightarrow \psi(\vec{p}) = \int_V \left( \psi \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G - G \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \psi \right) dA \quad (1)$$



Proof  $\psi(\vec{p}) \stackrel{(a)}{=} \int_V (\psi \Delta G - G \Delta \psi) dV \stackrel{(b)}{=} \int_{\partial V} \left( \psi \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G - G \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \psi \right) dA$

(a) follows with  $(\Delta + k^2) \psi(\vec{x}) = 0, (\Delta + k^2) G(\vec{x}, \vec{p}) = \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{p})$

$$\int_V (\psi \Delta G - G \Delta \psi) dV = \int_V (-\psi k^2 G + \psi \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{p}) + G k^2 \psi) dV = \int_V \psi \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{p}) dV = \psi(\vec{p})$$

(b) use Gauß-theorem for vector field  $\vec{\psi} \nabla G - G \nabla \vec{\psi}$

$$\int_V (\psi \Delta G - G \Delta \psi) dV = \int_V \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\psi \vec{\nabla} G - G \vec{\nabla} \psi) dV = \int_{\partial V} (\psi \vec{\nabla} G - G \vec{\nabla} \psi) \cdot \vec{n} dA = \int_{\partial V} \left( \psi \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G - G \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \psi \right) dA$$

The Greens-function for empty space:  $G(\vec{x}, \vec{p}) = -\frac{e^{ik|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|}}{4\pi|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|}$  (2)

satisfies  $(\Delta + k^2) G(\vec{x}, \vec{p}) = \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{p})$

Proof  $\vec{\nabla}|\vec{x}-\vec{p}| = \frac{\vec{x}-\vec{p}}{|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|}$ ,  $\vec{\nabla}\frac{(\vec{x}-\vec{p})}{|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|^2} = \frac{1}{|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|^2}$ ,  $\vec{\nabla}\frac{1}{|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|} = \frac{-\vec{\nabla}|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|}{|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|^2}$ ,  $\vec{\nabla}e^{ik|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|} = ik e^{ik|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|} \vec{\nabla}|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\nabla}G = -ik \frac{e^{ik|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|}}{4\pi|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|} \vec{\nabla}|\vec{x}-\vec{p}| - \frac{e^{ik|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|}}{4\pi} \vec{\nabla} \frac{1}{|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|} = -ik \frac{e^{ik|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|}}{4\pi} \frac{(\vec{x}-\vec{p})}{|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|^2} - \frac{e^{ik|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|}}{4\pi} \vec{\nabla} \frac{1}{|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|} \quad (*)$$

$$\Delta G = \frac{k^2 e^{ik|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|}}{4\pi} \left( \vec{\nabla}|\vec{x}-\vec{p}| \right) \frac{(\vec{x}-\vec{p})}{|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|^2} - ik \frac{e^{ik|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|}}{4\pi} \vec{\nabla} \frac{(\vec{x}-\vec{p})}{|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|^2} - ik \frac{e^{ik|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|}}{4\pi} \left( \vec{\nabla}|\vec{x}-\vec{p}| \right) \vec{\nabla} \frac{1}{|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|} - \frac{e^{ik|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|}}{4\pi} \Delta \frac{1}{|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|}$$

$$= \frac{k^2 e^{ik|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|}}{4\pi} \frac{1}{|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|} - ik \cancel{\frac{e^{ik|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|}}{4\pi} \frac{1}{|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|^2}} + \cancel{ik \frac{e^{ik|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|}}{4\pi} \frac{1}{|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|^2}} - \frac{e^{ik|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|}}{4\pi} \Delta \frac{1}{|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|}$$

with  $\Delta \frac{1}{|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|} = -4\pi \delta(\vec{x}-\vec{p})$ ,  $f(\vec{x})\delta(\vec{x}) = f(0)\delta(\vec{x})$  obtain  $\Delta G = -k^2 G(\vec{x}, \vec{p}) + \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{p})$

# Kirchhoff's integral

$$\psi(\vec{p}) = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\partial V} dA \hat{n} \frac{e^{ikR}}{R} \left( \hat{R} \left( ik - \frac{1}{R} \right) \psi - \vec{\nabla} \psi \right) \quad (3)$$

$$\vec{R} = \vec{x} - \vec{p}, \quad R = |\vec{x} - \vec{p}|, \quad \hat{R} = \vec{R}/R$$

Proof

use (1)  $\psi(\vec{p}) = \int_{\partial V} \left( \psi \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G - G \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \psi \right) dA$  and (2)  $G(\vec{x}, \vec{p}) = -\frac{e^{ik|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|}}{4\pi|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|}$

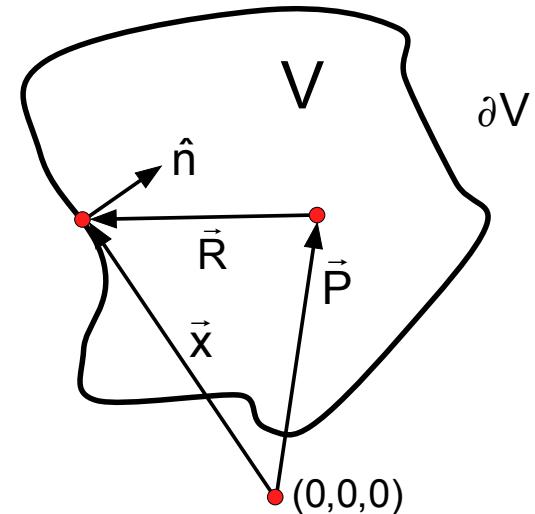
$$\vec{\nabla} G \stackrel{(*)}{=} -ik \frac{e^{ikR}}{4\pi R} \hat{R} - \frac{e^{ikR}}{4\pi} \vec{\nabla} \frac{1}{R} = -ik \frac{e^{ikR}}{4\pi R} \hat{R} + \frac{e^{ikR}}{4\pi R} \frac{1}{R} \hat{R} = -\frac{e^{ikR}}{4\pi R} \hat{R} \left( ik - \frac{1}{R} \right)$$

$$\hat{n} \vec{\nabla} G = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \hat{n} \frac{e^{ik|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|}}{|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|} \frac{\vec{x}-\vec{p}}{|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|} \left( ik - \frac{1}{|\vec{x}-\vec{p}|} \right) = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \hat{n} \frac{e^{ikR}}{R} \hat{R} \left( ik - \frac{1}{R} \right)$$

# Kirchhoff's integral

$$\psi(\vec{p}) = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\partial V} dA \hat{n} \frac{e^{ikR}}{R} \left( \left( ik\hat{R} - \frac{\hat{R}}{R} \right) \psi - \vec{\nabla} \psi \right)$$

$$\vec{R} = \vec{x} - \vec{p}, \quad R = |\vec{x} - \vec{p}|, \quad \hat{R} = \vec{R}/R$$

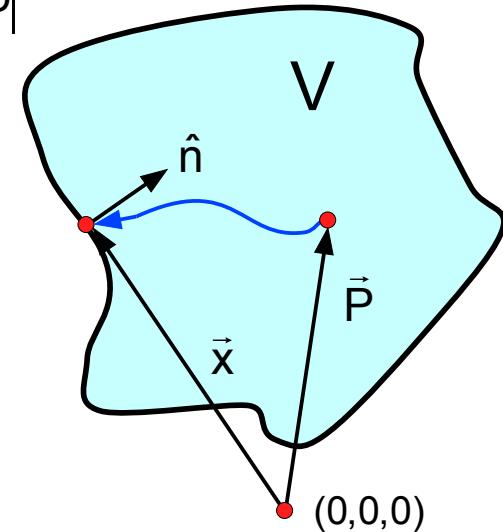


Assume inhomogeneous medium inside the volume  $V$

$$\text{Approximate } S(\vec{x}) - S(\vec{p}) \approx k|\vec{x} - \vec{p}| = kR, \quad \vec{k} = \vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x}) = k \frac{\vec{x} - \vec{p}}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} = k\hat{R}$$

And rewrite Kirchhoff integral as

$$\psi(\vec{p}) = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\partial V} dA \hat{n} \frac{e^{i(S(\vec{x}) - S(\vec{p}))}}{R} \left( \left( i\vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x}) - \frac{\hat{R}}{R} \right) \psi - \vec{\nabla} \psi \right)$$



# Generalized Kirchhoff Integral

Assume inhomogeneous medium inside the volume  $V$

$$(\Delta + k^2) \psi(\vec{x}) = 0$$

$$(\Delta + k^2) G(\vec{x}, \vec{p}) = \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{p})$$

$$\vec{k} = \vec{\nabla} S(\vec{x}), \quad k = |\vec{k}|, \quad 2\vec{\nabla} \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} \vec{\nabla} S(\vec{x}) + \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} \Delta S(\vec{x}) \approx 0 \quad (*)$$

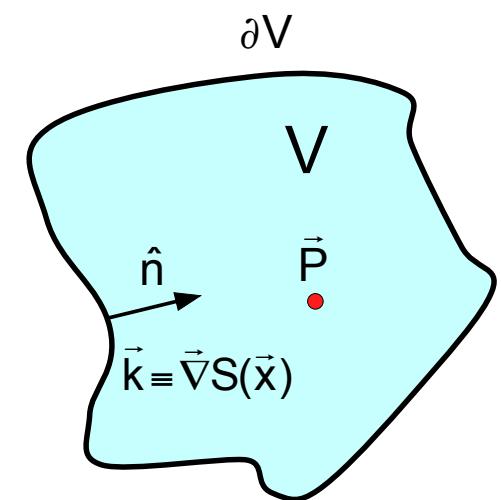
Note that (\*) holds if  $S(\vec{x}) - S(\vec{p}) \approx k|\vec{x} - \vec{p}| = kR$ ,  $\vec{k} = \vec{\nabla} S(\vec{x}) = k \frac{\vec{x} - \vec{p}}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} = k\hat{R}$

Use Green-function for empty space:

$$G(\vec{x}, \vec{p}) \equiv -\frac{e^{i(S(\vec{x}) - S(\vec{p}))}}{4\pi |\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} \quad (4)$$

to obtain generalized Kirchhoff integral

$$\psi(\vec{p}) = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\partial V} dA \hat{n} \frac{e^{i(S(\vec{x}) - S(\vec{p}))}}{R} \left( \left( i\vec{\nabla} S(\vec{x}) - \frac{\hat{R}}{R} \right) \psi - \vec{\nabla} \psi \right) \quad (5)$$



## Proof

A. Showing that :  $\left( \Delta + |\vec{\nabla}S|^2 \right) G(\vec{x}, \vec{p}) = \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{p})$

$$\vec{\nabla}G(\vec{x}, \vec{p}) = -\vec{\nabla} \frac{e^{i(S(\vec{x}) - S(\vec{p}))}}{4\pi |\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} = -\frac{e^{i(S(\vec{x}) - S(\vec{p}))}}{4\pi |\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} i\vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x}) - \frac{e^{i(S(\vec{x}) - S(\vec{p}))}}{4\pi} \vec{\nabla} \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} = -\frac{e^{i(S(\vec{x}) - S(\vec{p}))}}{4\pi} \left( \vec{\nabla} \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} + \frac{i\vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x})}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} \right) \quad (*)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta G(\vec{x}, \vec{p}) &= -\vec{\nabla} \frac{e^{i(S(\vec{x}) - S(\vec{p}))}}{4\pi} \left( \vec{\nabla} \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} + \frac{i\vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x})}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} \right) - \frac{e^{i(S(\vec{x}) - S(\vec{p}))}}{4\pi} \vec{\nabla} \left( \vec{\nabla} \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} + \frac{i\vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x})}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} \right) \\ &= -\frac{e^{i(S(\vec{x}) - S(\vec{p}))}}{4\pi} i\vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x} - \vec{p}) \left( \vec{\nabla} \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} + \frac{i\vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x})}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} \right) - \frac{e^{i(S(\vec{x}) - S(\vec{p}))}}{4\pi} \left( \Delta \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} + i\vec{\nabla} \frac{\vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x})}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} \right) \\ &= -\frac{e^{i(S(\vec{x}) - S(\vec{p}))}}{4\pi} i\vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x} - \vec{p}) \left( \vec{\nabla} \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} + \frac{i\vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x})}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} \right) - \frac{e^{i(S(\vec{x}) - S(\vec{p}))}}{4\pi} \left( \Delta \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} + i\frac{\Delta S(\vec{x})}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} + i\vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x}) \vec{\nabla} \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} \right) \\ &= -\frac{e^{i(S(\vec{x}) - S(\vec{p}))}}{4\pi} \left[ i2\vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x}) \vec{\nabla} \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} + i\frac{\Delta S(\vec{x})}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} + \Delta \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} - \frac{\vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x}) \vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x})}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} \right] \end{aligned}$$

use  $2\vec{\nabla} \frac{1}{R} \vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x}) + \frac{1}{R} \Delta S(\vec{x}) \approx 0$  and  $\Delta \frac{1}{R} = -4\pi \delta(R)$

$$-\frac{e^{i(S(\vec{x}) - S(\vec{p}))}}{4\pi} \left[ \Delta \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} - \frac{\vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x}) \vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x})}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} \right] = -\frac{e^{i(S(\vec{x}) - S(\vec{p}))}}{4\pi} \left[ -4\pi \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{p}) - \frac{\vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x}) \vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x})}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} \right] = \left[ \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{p}) - G(\vec{x}, \vec{p}) |\vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x})|^2 \right]$$

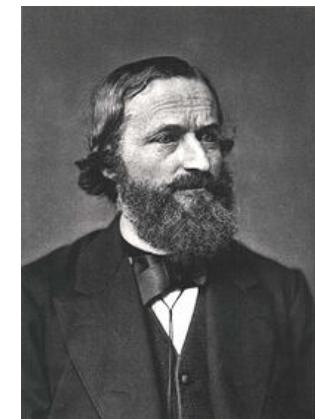
B. use (1), (4) , A.

$$\psi(\vec{p}) = \int_{\partial V} \left( \psi \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G - G \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \psi \right) dA \quad (1)$$

$$G(\vec{x}, \vec{p}) = -\frac{e^{i(S(\vec{x}) - S(\vec{p}))}}{4\pi |\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} \quad (4)$$

$$\vec{\nabla}G(\vec{x}, \vec{p}) = -\frac{e^{i(S(\vec{x}) - S(\vec{p}))}}{4\pi |\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} \left( i\vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x}) - \frac{\vec{x} - \vec{p}}{|\vec{x} - \vec{p}|} \right) \quad A. (*)$$

to obtain  $\psi(\vec{p}) = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\partial V} dA \hat{n} \frac{e^{i(S(\vec{x}) - S(\vec{p}))}}{R} \left( \left( i\vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x}) - \frac{\hat{R}}{R} \right) \psi - \vec{\nabla}\psi \right)$



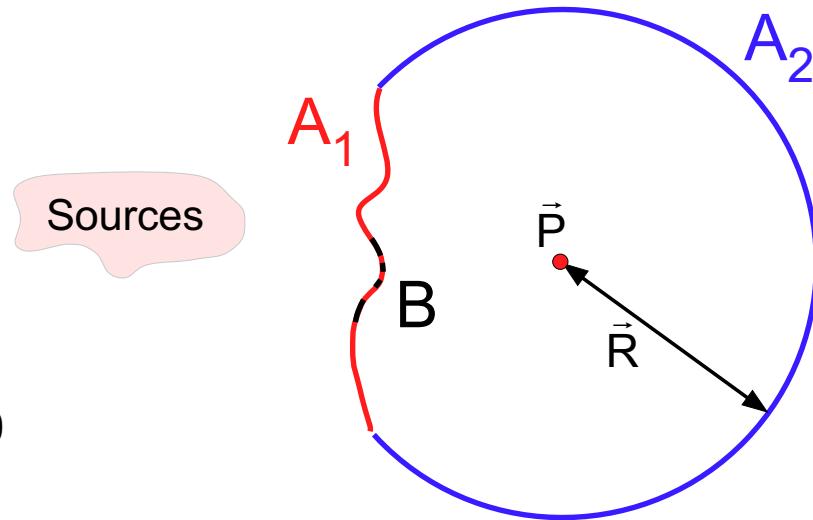
Gustav Robert Kirchhoff  
1824-1887

Assume that

$A_1$  is a screen with apertures  $B$ .

$A_2$  is pushed to infinity  $\vec{R} \rightarrow \infty$

In accordance with Sommerfeld's radiation condition no waves come in from infinity, hence  $\psi|_{A_2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \psi|_{A_2} = 0$



Kirchhoff's boundary conditions

$$K1 \quad \psi|_A = \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \psi|_A = 0$$

$$K2 \quad \psi|_B, \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \psi|_B \text{ determined by sources}$$

Diffraction integral

$$\psi(\vec{p}) = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_B dA \hat{n} \frac{e^{ikR}}{R} \left( \hat{R} \left( ik - \frac{1}{R} \right) \psi - \vec{\nabla} \psi \right)$$

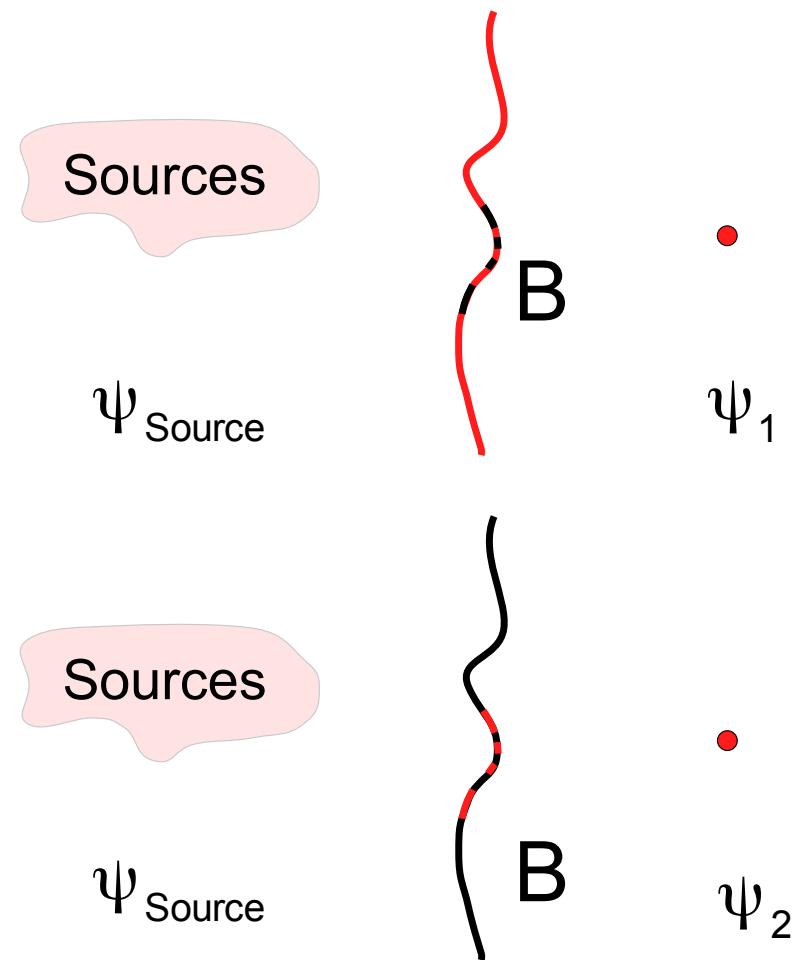
Note: K1, K2 are not compatible with Helmholtz equation. Improved solution: choose adequate Green functions for Dirichlet or von Neumann boundary conditions

## Babinet's principle

$$\psi_1(\vec{p}) + \psi_2(\vec{p}) = \psi_{\text{Source}}(\vec{p})$$



Jacques Babinet  
1794-1872



## Special case: point source & flat screen

$$\vec{R} \equiv \vec{x} - \vec{P}$$

$$\vec{R}' \equiv \vec{x} - \vec{P}'$$

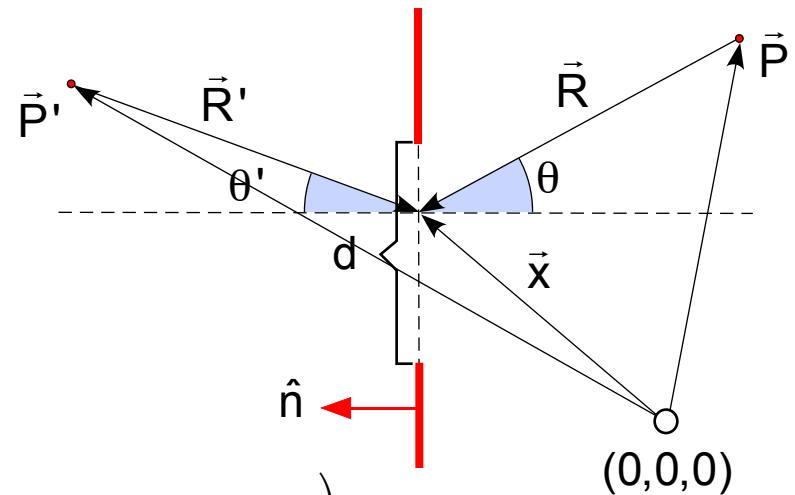
$$\psi_{\text{source}}(\vec{x}) = \frac{e^{ikR'}}{R'}, \quad \vec{\nabla}\psi_{\text{source}}(\vec{x}) = \frac{e^{ikR'}}{R'} \left( ik - \frac{1}{R'} \right) \hat{R}'$$

$$\psi(\vec{P}) = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\text{apertures}} dA \hat{n} \frac{e^{ikR}}{R} \left( \frac{\vec{R}}{R} \left( ik - \frac{1}{R} \right) \psi_{\text{source}}(\vec{x}) - \vec{\nabla}\psi_{\text{source}}(\vec{x}) \right)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\text{apertures}} dA \frac{e^{ikR} e^{ikR'}}{R R'} \left( \left( ik - \frac{1}{R} \right) \hat{n} \hat{R} - \left( ik - \frac{1}{R'} \right) \hat{n} \hat{R}' \right) \quad (*)$$

$\uparrow \quad \frac{1}{i\lambda} \frac{Q}{R R'} \int_{\text{apertures}} dA e^{ik(R+R')}$ ,  $Q = \frac{1}{2} \hat{n} (\hat{R} - \hat{R}') = \frac{1}{2} (\cos(\theta) + \cos(\theta')) \quad (K1)$

$$R, R' > d, \quad R, R' \gg \lambda \quad (*)$$

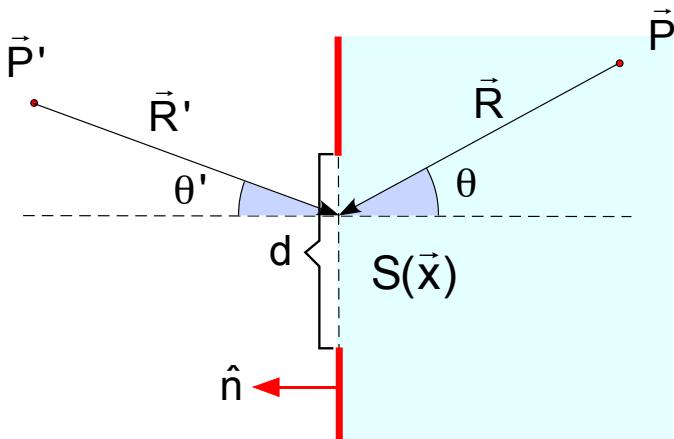


## Generalized case: point source & flat screen around $\vec{x} = 0$

$$\vec{R} \equiv \vec{x} - \vec{P}$$

$$\vec{R}' \equiv \vec{x} - \vec{P}'$$

$$\psi_{\text{source}}(\vec{x}) = \frac{e^{ikR'}}{R'}, \quad \vec{\nabla}\psi_{\text{source}}(\vec{x}) = \psi_{\text{source}}(\vec{x}) \left( ik - \frac{1}{R'} \right) \hat{R'}$$



$$\psi(\vec{P}) = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\text{apertures}} dA \hat{n} \frac{e^{i(S(\vec{x}) - S(\vec{p}))}}{R} \left( \left( i\vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x}) - \frac{\hat{R}}{R} \right) \psi_{\text{source}} - \vec{\nabla}\psi_{\text{source}} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\text{apertures}} dA \psi_{\text{source}}(\vec{x}) \frac{e^{i(S(\vec{x}) - S(\vec{p}))}}{R} \left( \hat{n} \left( i\vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x}) - \frac{\hat{R}}{R} \right) - \left( ik - \frac{1}{R'} \right) \hat{n} \hat{R}' \right) \quad (*)$$

$$\uparrow \quad \frac{1}{i\lambda} \frac{Q}{R} \int_{\text{apertures}} dA \psi_{\text{source}}(\vec{x}) e^{i(S(\vec{x}) - S(\vec{p}))}, \quad Q = \frac{1}{2} \hat{n} \left( \frac{1}{k} \vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x}) - \hat{R}' \right) \cong \frac{1}{2} \hat{n} (\hat{R} - \hat{R}') \cong \frac{1}{2} (\cos(\theta) + \cos(\theta'))$$

(K2)

$$R, R' > d, \quad R, R' \gg \lambda \quad (*)$$

$$\vec{\nabla}S(\vec{x}) \cong k\hat{R}$$

## Expansion of $R$ and $R'$      $R, R' \gg d$ ,   $R, R' \gg \lambda$

$$\frac{R}{P} = \frac{|\vec{x} - \hat{P}|}{P} = 1 - \frac{\hat{P}}{P} \vec{x} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{P^2} \left( \vec{x}^2 - (\hat{P} \vec{x})^2 \right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\hat{P} \vec{x}}{P^3} \left( \vec{x}^2 - (\hat{P} \vec{x})^2 \right) + \dots$$

$\uparrow$                            $\uparrow$                            $\uparrow$   
 $\propto \frac{d}{P}$                      $\propto \left(\frac{d}{P}\right)^2$                      $\propto \left(\frac{d}{P}\right)^3$

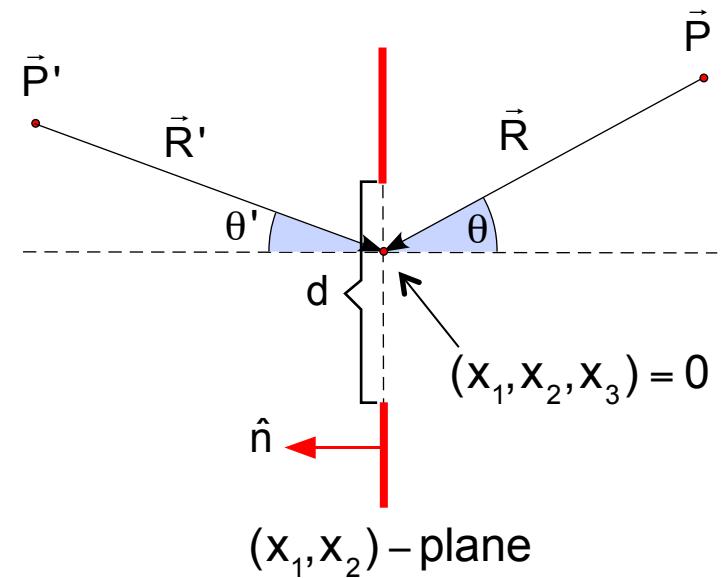
Fraunhofer limit

$$\frac{R}{P} \approx 1 - \frac{\hat{P}}{P} \vec{x}$$

Fresnel limit

$$\frac{R}{P} \approx 1 + \frac{1}{2P^2} \left( \vec{x}^2 - (\hat{P} \vec{x})^2 \right)$$

$$\hat{P} \vec{x} \approx 0$$

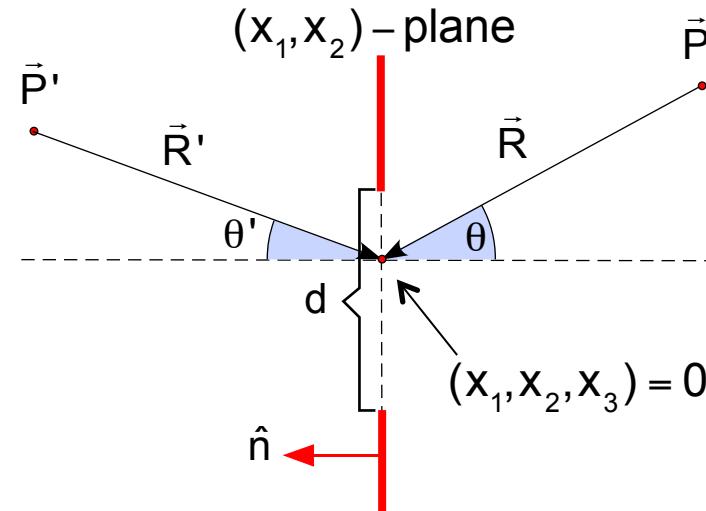


# Fraunhofer diffraction

$$R, R' \gg d, \quad R, R' \gg \lambda$$

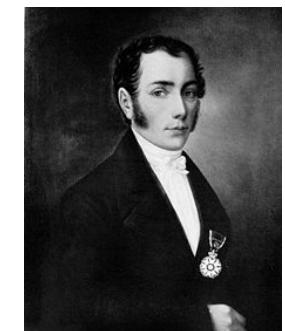
$$\frac{R}{P} \approx 1 - \frac{\hat{P}}{|\hat{P}|} \vec{x}$$

$$e^{ik(R+R')} \approx e^{ik(P+P')} e^{-ik(\hat{P}+\hat{P}') \vec{x}}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 \psi(\vec{P}) &\stackrel{(K1)}{=} \frac{k}{2\pi i} \frac{Q}{R R'} \int_{\text{apertures}} dA e^{ik(R+R')} , \quad Q \equiv \frac{1}{2} \hat{n}(\hat{R} - \hat{R}') \\
 &= \frac{k}{2\pi i} \frac{Q}{R R'} \iint_{-\infty -\infty} dA \tau(x_1, x_2) e^{ik(R+R')} \approx \frac{k Q}{2\pi i} \frac{e^{ik(P+P')}}{P P'} \iint_{-\infty -\infty} dA \tau(x_1, x_2) e^{-ik(\hat{P}+\hat{P}') \vec{x}} \\
 &= \frac{k Q}{2\pi i} \frac{e^{ik(P+P')}}{P P'} \iint_{-\infty -\infty} dx_1 dx_2 \tau(x_1, x_2) e^{-ik \left[ \left( \frac{P_1 + P'_1}{P P'} \right) x_1 + \left( \frac{P_2 + P'_2}{P P'} \right) x_2 \right]}
 \end{aligned}$$

$\tau(\vec{x})$  transmission function describes the apertures



Joseph von Fraunhofer  
1787-1826

# Fraunhofer diffraction

$$R, R' \gg d, R, R' \gg \lambda$$

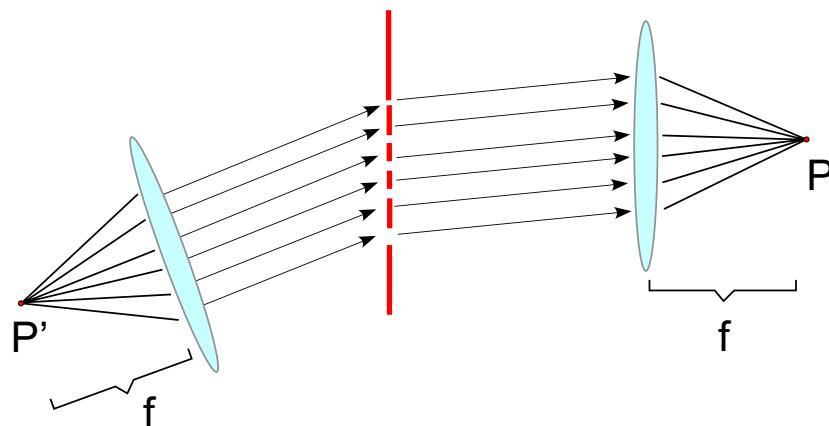
$$\psi(\vec{P}) = \frac{k\hat{n}(\hat{R} - \hat{R}')}{4\pi i} \frac{e^{ik(P+P')}}{P P'} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx_1 dx_2 \tau(x_1, x_2) e^{-ik\left[\left(\frac{P_1 + P'_1}{P + P'}\right)x_1 + \left(\frac{P_2 + P'_2}{P + P'}\right)x_2\right]}$$

$$\frac{P_v}{P} = \sin(\theta_v), \quad \frac{P'_v}{P'} = \sin(\theta'_v), \quad v=1,2$$

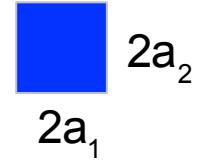
$$= \frac{k\hat{n}(\hat{R} - \hat{R}')}{4\pi i} \frac{e^{ik(P+P')}}{P P'} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx_1 dx_2 \tau(\vec{x}) e^{-ik[(\sin(\theta_1) + \sin(\theta'_1))x_1 + (\sin(\theta_2) + \sin(\theta'_2))x_2]} \quad (F1)$$

$\Rightarrow \psi(\vec{P}) \propto$  Fourier – transform of  $\tau(\vec{x})$

Experimental realisation:



# Fraunhofer diffraction for rectangular aperture

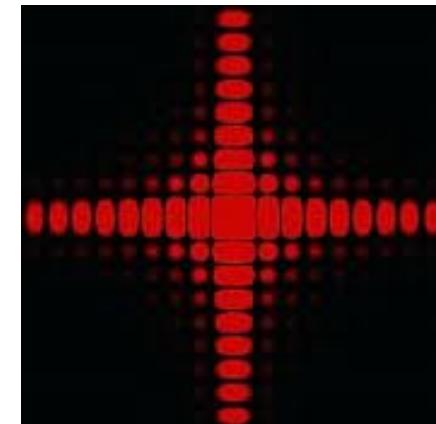


$$\begin{aligned}\psi(\vec{P}) &= \frac{k\hat{n}(\hat{R} - \hat{R}')}{4\pi i} \frac{e^{ik(P+P')}}{P P'} \int_{-a_1}^{a_1} \int_{-a_2}^{a_2} dx_1 dx_2 \tau(\vec{x}) e^{-ik[(\sin(\theta_1) + \sin(\theta_1'))x_1 + (\sin(\theta_2) + \sin(\theta_2'))x_2]} \\ &= \frac{\hat{n}(\hat{R} - \hat{R}')e^{ik(P+P')}}{\pi i P P'} \frac{\sin[k(\sin(\theta_1) + \sin(\theta_1'))a_1]}{k(\sin(\theta_1) + \sin(\theta_1'))} \frac{\sin[k(\sin(\theta_2) + \sin(\theta_2'))a_2]}{k(\sin(\theta_2) + \sin(\theta_2'))}\end{aligned}$$

Intensity:

$$\theta_1' = \theta_2' = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad I = I_0 \frac{\sin^2[k \sin(\theta_1) a_1]}{k^2 \sin^2(\theta_1)} \frac{\sin^2[k \sin(\theta_2) a_2]}{k^2 \sin^2(\theta_2)}$$

$$\text{minima} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \sin(\theta_1) a_1 = n \frac{\lambda}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad \sin(\theta_2) a_2 = n \frac{\lambda}{2}$$



# Fraunhofer diffraction for circular aperture



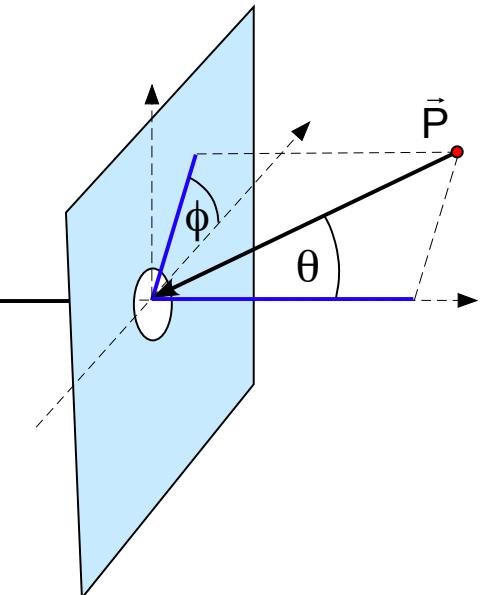
$$P_1 = P \sin(\theta) \cos(\phi), P_2 = P \sin(\theta) \sin(\phi),$$

$$P'_1 = P'_2 = 0, x_1 = r \cos(\phi'), x_2 = r \sin(\phi'), dx_1 dx_2 = rdr$$

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(\vec{P}) &\propto \int_0^a r dr \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi' e^{-ikr \sin(\theta) \cos(\phi-\phi')} = \int_0^a r dr \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi' e^{-ikr \sin(\theta) \cos(\phi')} \\ &= 2\pi \int_0^a r dr J_0(-kr \sin(\theta)) \frac{2\pi}{k^2 \sin^2(\theta)} \int_0^{kasin(\theta)} dx \times J_0(x) \end{aligned}$$

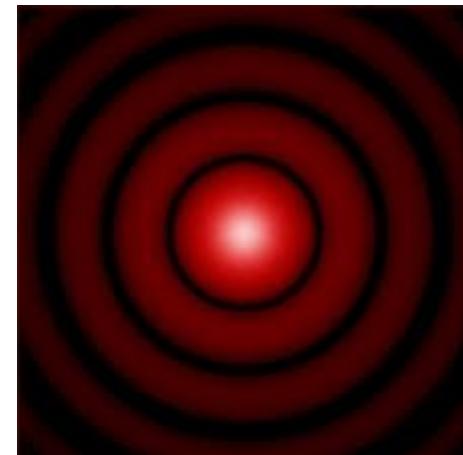
$x = -kr \sin(\theta)$

$$= \frac{2\pi}{k^2 \sin^2(\theta)} \int_0^{kasin(\theta)} dx \frac{d}{dx} \left( x J_1(x) \right) = \frac{2\pi a}{k \sin(\theta)} J_1(k \sin(\theta))$$



use  $\frac{d}{dx} \left( x J_1(x) \right) = x J_0(x), J_0(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\alpha e^{ix \cos(\alpha)}$

Intensity:  $I = I_0 \left( \frac{2J_1(k \sin(\theta))}{k \sin(\theta)} \right)^2$

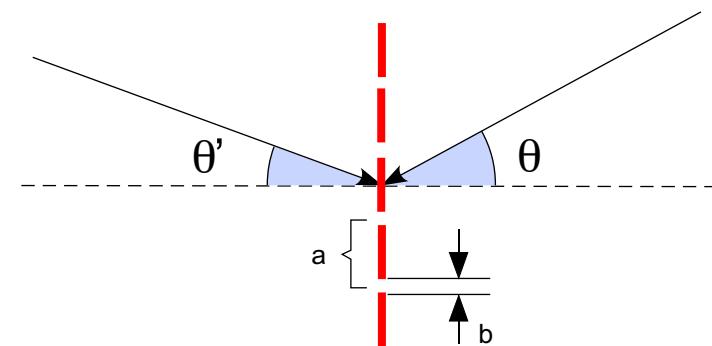


# Diffraction at a transmission grating

$$\psi \propto \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \tau(x) e^{-ik(\sin(\theta) + \sin(\theta'))x} \quad (**)$$

$$\psi \propto \text{FT}[\tau](k\eta), \quad \tau = f * g, \quad \eta = (\sin(\theta) + \sin(\theta'))$$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in [-\frac{b}{2}, \frac{b}{2}] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}, \quad g(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \delta(x - na)$$

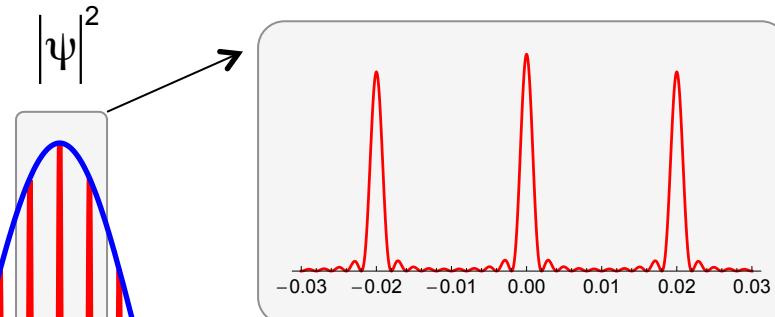


$$\psi \propto \text{FT}(f * g) = \text{FT}(f) \cdot \text{FT}(g) \propto \text{sinc}\left[\pi \frac{b}{\lambda} \eta\right] \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} e^{i n 2\pi \frac{a}{\lambda} \eta}$$

$\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} e^{i 2nz} = e^{i 2(N-1)z} \frac{\sin(Nz)}{\sin(z)}$

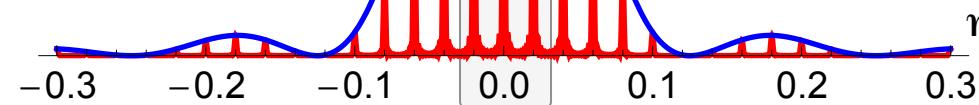
$$\propto \text{sinc}\left[\pi \frac{b}{\lambda} \eta\right] \frac{\sin\left[N \pi \frac{a}{\lambda} \eta\right]}{\sin\left[\pi \frac{a}{\lambda} \eta\right]}$$

envelope

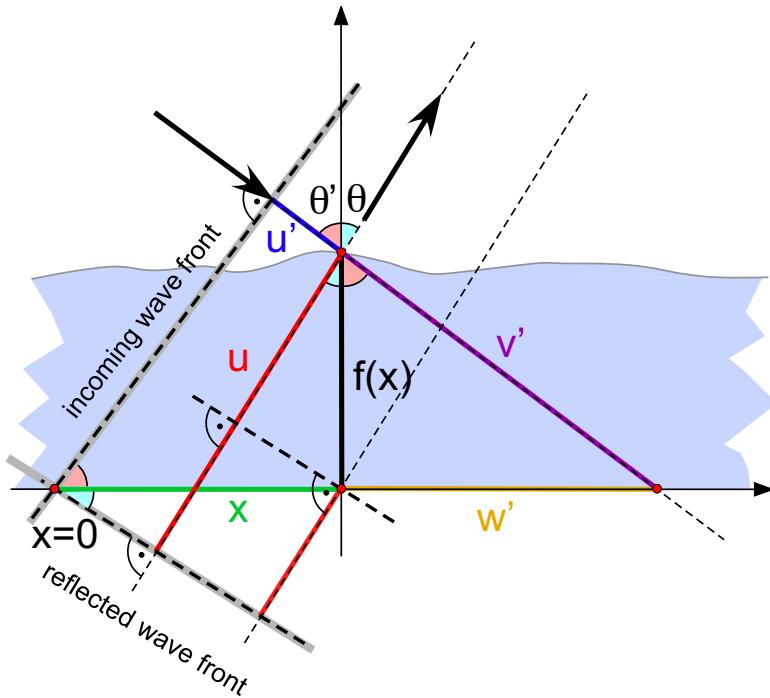


$$\text{Maxima: } \frac{a}{\lambda} \eta \text{ integer}$$

$$\frac{a}{\lambda} = 50, \quad \frac{b}{\lambda} = 8, \quad N = 10$$



# Diffraction at a reflective surface



$$(1) \quad u' + v' = (x + w') \sin(\theta')$$

$$(2) \quad u = x \sin(\theta) + f(x) \cos(\theta)$$

$$(3) \quad v' = \frac{f(x)}{\cos(\theta')} , \quad w' = f(x) \tan(\theta')$$

(1),(3)

$$\Rightarrow u' = x \sin(\theta') + f(x) \left( \tan(\theta') \sin(\theta') - \frac{1}{\cos(\theta')} \right) = x \sin(\theta') - f(x) \cos(\theta') \quad (4)$$

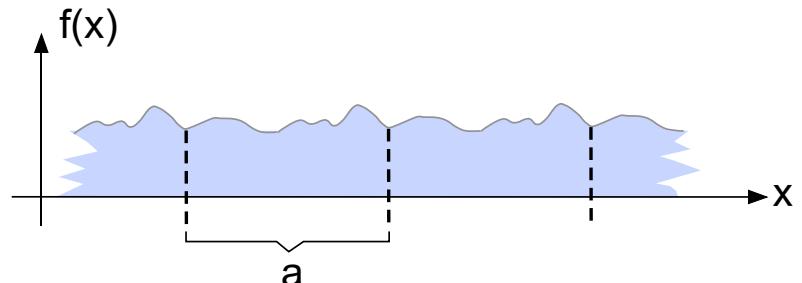
(2),(4)

$$\Rightarrow e^{ik(u'-u)} = e^{ik[x \alpha - f(x) \beta]} , \quad \alpha = \sin(\theta') - \sin(\theta) , \quad \beta = \cos(\theta') + \cos(\theta) \quad (5)$$

$$\Rightarrow \psi \propto \int dx e^{ik[x \alpha - f(x) \beta]} \propto \text{FT}[e^{-i k f(x) \beta}] \Big|_{k\alpha}$$

# Diffraction at a reflective grating

Assume periodic function  $f(x+na) = f(x)$  (\*)



$$\psi \propto \int_0^{Na} dx e^{ik[x\alpha - f(x)\beta]} = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \int_{na}^{(n+1)a} dx e^{ik[x\alpha - f(x)\beta]}$$

substitute  $x = x' + na$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \int_0^a dx' e^{ik[(x'+na)\alpha - f(x'+na)\beta]} \stackrel{(*)}{=} \left( \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} e^{ikna\alpha} \right) \cdot \int_0^a dx' e^{ik[x'\alpha - f(x')\beta]}$$

$$= e^{i(N-1)\pi \frac{a}{\lambda} \alpha} \frac{\sin \left[ N \pi \frac{a}{\lambda} \alpha \right]}{\sin \left[ \pi \frac{a}{\lambda} \alpha \right]} \cdot \int_0^a dx' e^{ik[x'\alpha - f(x')\beta]}$$

(DG)

envelope

Trivial case: flat surface

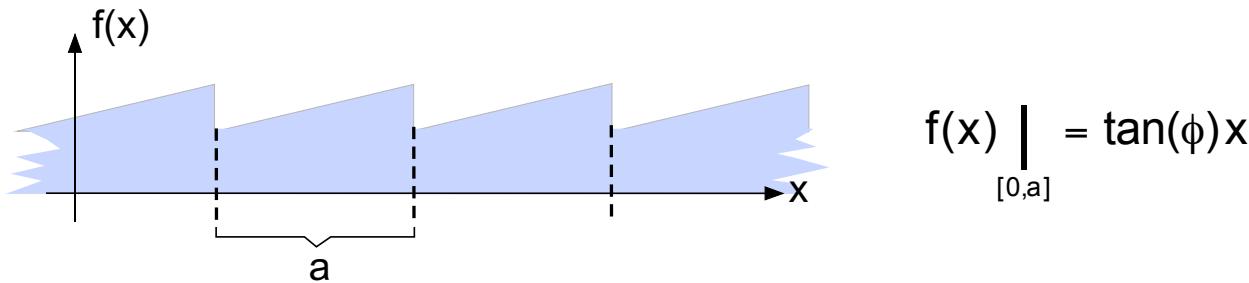
$$f(x) = f_0 \Rightarrow \int_0^a dx e^{ik[x\alpha - f(x)\beta]} = e^{-ikf_0\beta} e^{i\pi \frac{a}{\lambda} \alpha} \frac{\sin(\pi \frac{a}{\lambda} \alpha)}{\frac{\pi}{\lambda} \alpha} \Rightarrow \psi \propto e^{iN\pi \frac{a}{\lambda} \alpha} e^{-ikf_0\beta} \frac{\sin \left[ N \pi \frac{a}{\lambda} \alpha \right]}{\frac{\pi}{\lambda} \alpha}$$

$\Rightarrow$  maximum for  $\alpha = 0$

$\Rightarrow$  specular reflection  $\theta' = \theta$

1st minimum for  $\alpha = \lambda / (Na)$   $\xrightarrow[N \rightarrow 0]{} 0$

## Special case: blazed grating



$$\int_0^a dx e^{ik[x\alpha - f(x)\beta]} = \int_0^a dx e^{ik(\alpha - \tan(\phi)\beta)x} = e^{i\frac{\pi}{\lambda}(\alpha - \tan(\phi)\beta)a} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{\lambda}(\alpha - \tan(\phi)\beta)a\right)}{\frac{\pi}{\lambda}(\alpha - \tan(\phi)\beta)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \psi &\propto e^{i(N-1)\pi\frac{a}{\lambda}\alpha} \frac{\sin\left[N\pi\frac{a}{\lambda}\alpha\right]}{\sin\left[\pi\frac{a}{\lambda}\alpha\right]} \cdot \int_0^a dx e^{ik[x\alpha - f(x)\beta]} \\
 &= e^{i\pi\frac{a}{\lambda}(\alpha N - \tan(\phi)\beta)} \frac{\sin\left[N\pi\frac{a}{\lambda}\alpha\right]}{\sin\left[\pi\frac{a}{\lambda}\alpha\right]} \cdot \frac{\sin\left(\pi\frac{a}{\lambda}(\alpha - \tan(\phi)\beta)\right)}{\frac{\pi}{\lambda}(\alpha - \tan(\phi)\beta)}
 \end{aligned}$$

envelope

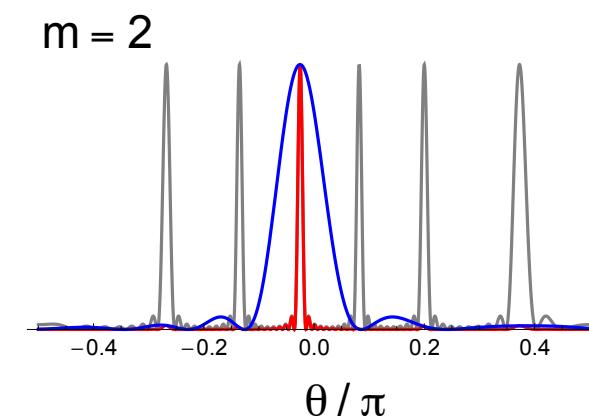
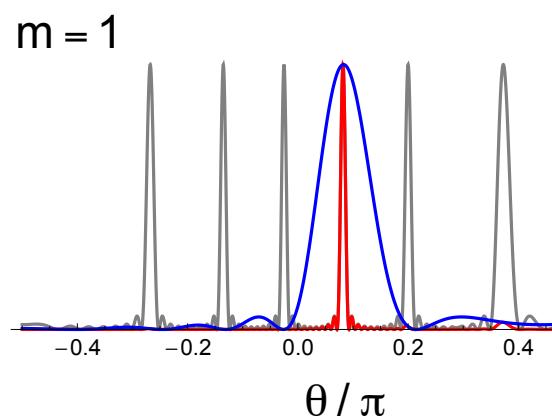
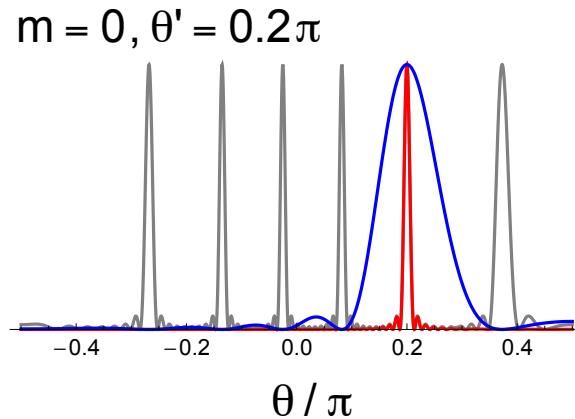
## Very useful example: blazed grating

$$\psi \propto e^{i\pi \frac{a}{\lambda}(\alpha N - \tan(\phi)\beta)} \cdot \frac{\sin\left[N \pi \frac{a}{\lambda} \alpha\right]}{\sin\left[\pi \frac{a}{\lambda} \alpha\right]} \cdot \frac{\sin\left(\pi \frac{a}{\lambda}(\alpha - \tan(\phi)\beta)\right)}{\frac{\pi}{\lambda}(\alpha - \tan(\phi)\beta)}$$

↗ envelope

Maxima:  $m = \alpha \frac{a}{\lambda}$  integer  $\Rightarrow \theta = \theta_m(\theta')$  = m-th diffraction maximum

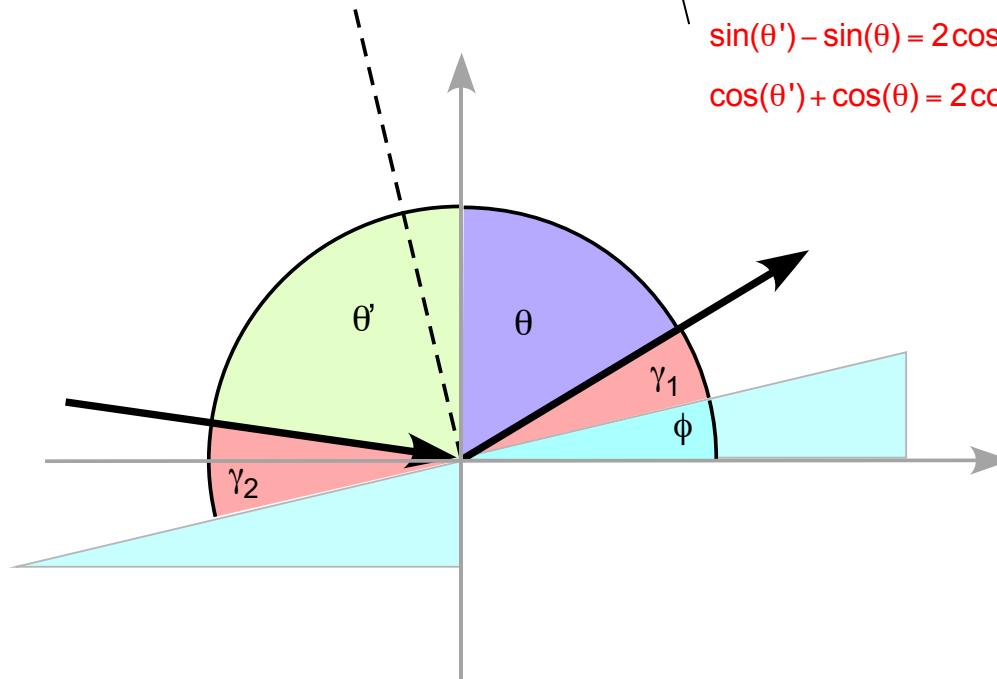
By choosing the appropriate blaze angle  $\phi$  one may position the maximum of the envelope to a higher order maximum  $m \neq 0$ :



$$\psi \propto \frac{\sin[N\pi m]}{\sin[\pi m]} \cdot \frac{a \sin(\pi m(1 - \tan(\phi)\frac{\beta}{\alpha}))}{\pi m(1 - \tan(\phi)\frac{\beta}{\alpha})} \Rightarrow \phi = \arctan\left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta}\right)$$

$$\phi = \arctan\left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta}\right) = \arctan\left(\frac{\sin(\theta') - \sin(\theta)}{\cos(\theta') + \cos(\theta)}\right) = \frac{1}{2}(\theta' - \theta) \text{ with } \theta = \theta_m \quad (*)$$

$\sin(\theta') - \sin(\theta) = 2\cos(\frac{1}{2}[\theta' + \theta])\sin(\frac{1}{2}[\theta' - \theta])$   
 $\cos(\theta') + \cos(\theta) = 2\cos(\frac{1}{2}[\theta' + \theta])\cos(\frac{1}{2}[\theta' - \theta])$



$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\pi}{2} &= \theta + \gamma_1 + \phi \\ \frac{\pi}{2} &= \theta' + \gamma_2 - \phi \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \theta - \theta' + \gamma_1 - \gamma_2 + 2\phi = 0 \Rightarrow \gamma_1 = \gamma_2 \quad (*)$$

# Fresnel Diffraction

Augustin Jean Fresnel  
1788 - 1827

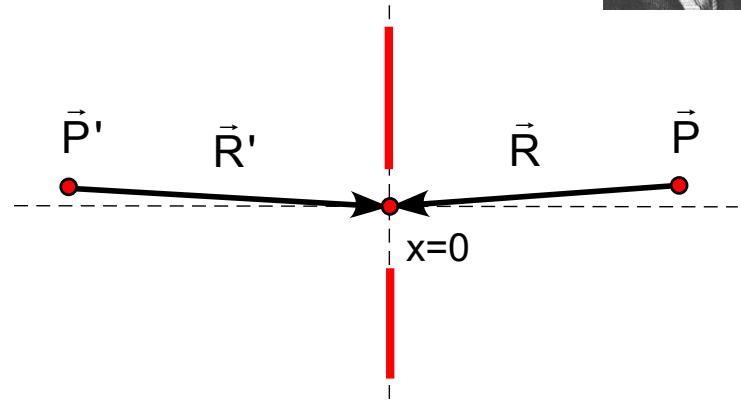


## Fresnel approximations

$$\hat{P}\vec{x} \approx 0, \hat{P}'\vec{x} \approx 0$$

$$\frac{R}{P} \approx 1 + \frac{1}{2P^2} \left( \vec{x}^2 - (\hat{P}\vec{x})^2 \right) \approx 1 + \frac{\vec{x}^2}{2P^2}$$

$$Q = \frac{1}{2} \hat{n}(\hat{R} - \hat{R}') \cong 1, \quad e^{ik(R+R')} \cong e^{ik(P+P')} e^{i \frac{\pi}{\lambda} \left( \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{P'} \right) \vec{x}^2}$$

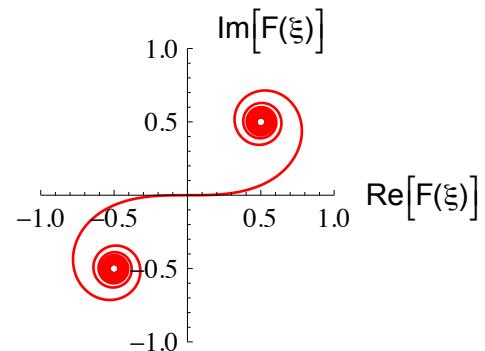


$$\psi(\vec{P}) \stackrel{(K1)}{\cong} \frac{k}{2\pi i} \frac{Q}{RR'} \int_{\text{apertures}} dA e^{ik(R+R')} \cong \frac{1}{i\lambda} \frac{e^{ik(P+P')}}{P P'} \int_{\text{apertures}} dx_1 dx_2 e^{i \frac{\pi}{\lambda} \left( \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{P'} \right) (x_1^2 + x_2^2)}$$

$$\xi_v = C(P, P') x_v, \quad C(P, P') = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\lambda} \left( \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{P'} \right)} \Rightarrow \psi(\vec{P}) \cong \frac{1}{2i} \frac{e^{ik(P+P')}}{P+P'} \int_{C(P,P') \times \text{apertures}} d\xi_1 d\xi_2 e^{i \frac{\pi}{2} (\xi_1^2 + \xi_2^2)}$$

Fresnel integral:  
(Cornu spiral)

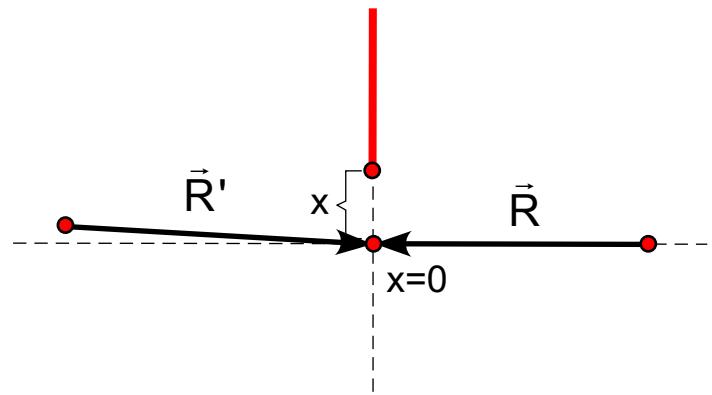
$$F(\xi) \equiv \int_0^\xi dz e^{i \frac{\pi}{2} z^2}$$



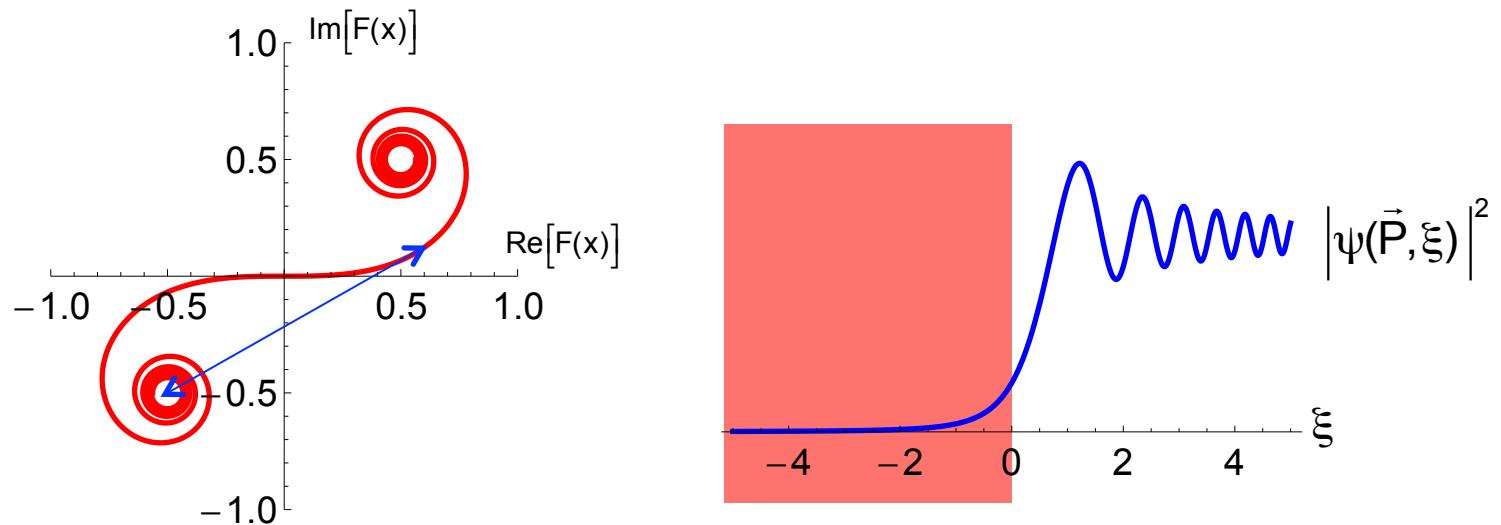
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$$\psi(\vec{P}, \xi) \approx \frac{1}{2i} \frac{e^{ik(P+P')}}{P+P'} (F(\xi) - F(-\infty))(F(\infty) - F(-\infty))$$

$$= \frac{1+i}{2i} \frac{e^{ik(P+P')}}{P+P'} \left( F(\xi) - \frac{1+i}{2} \right), \quad \xi = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\lambda} \left( \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{P'} \right)} x$$



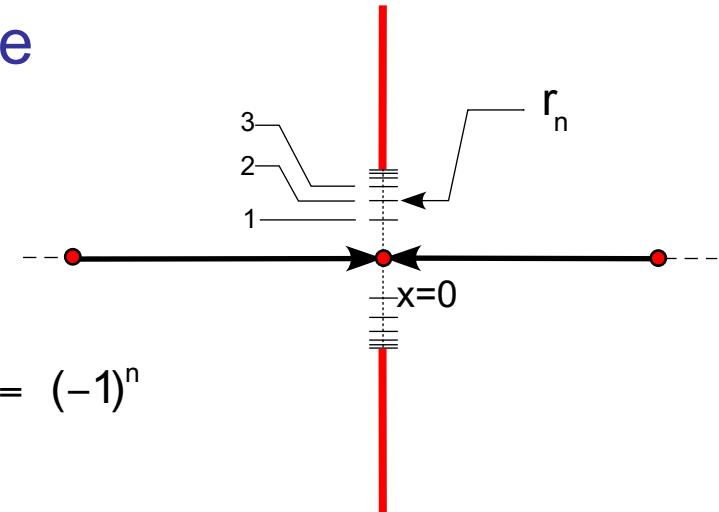
$$|\psi(\vec{P}, \xi)| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2(P+P')}} |F(\xi) - F(-\infty)|, \quad \xi = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\lambda} \left( \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{P'} \right)} x$$



## Fresnel diffraction at circular aperture

$$r_n = \sqrt{\frac{n \lambda}{\frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{P'}}}, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \Rightarrow$$

Fresnel-integrand  $e^{i \frac{\pi}{\lambda} \left( \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{P'} \right) r_n^2} = (-1)^n$



The region between  $r_n$  and  $r_{n-1}$  is called the  $n$ -th Fresnel zone. Each zone

encloses the same area  $A = \pi(r_n^2 - r_{n-1}^2) = \frac{\pi \lambda}{\frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{P'}}$

$$\psi \approx \frac{1}{i\lambda} \frac{e^{ik(P+P')}}{P P'} \int_{\text{apertures}} dx_1 dx_2 e^{i \frac{\pi}{\lambda} \left( \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{P'} \right) (x_1^2 + x_2^2)} = \frac{2\pi}{i\lambda} \frac{e^{ik(P+P')}}{P P'} \int_0^\infty dr r \tau(r) e^{i \frac{\pi}{\lambda} \left( \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{P'} \right) r^2}$$

## Fresnel zone plate

Covering the even or odd zones yields Fresnel's zone plate: on the optical axis locations arise with constructive or destructive interference.

Consider Fresnel zone plate with  $r_n = \sqrt{n\lambda f}$

$$\begin{aligned}\psi &\propto \int_0^{r_{\max}} dr r e^{i \frac{\pi}{\lambda} \left( \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{P'} \right) r^2} = \sum_{n=0}^{n_{\max}} \int_{r_n}^{r_{n+1}} dr r e^{i \frac{\pi}{\lambda} \left( \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{P'} \right) r^2} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{n_{\max}} \int_{r_n^2}^{r_{n+1}^2} dz e^{i \frac{\pi}{\lambda} \left( \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{P'} \right) z} \\ &\propto \sum_{n=0}^{n_{\max}} \left( e^{i \frac{\pi}{\lambda} \left( \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{P'} \right) r_{n+1}^2} - e^{i \frac{\pi}{\lambda} \left( \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{P'} \right) r_n^2} \right) = \sum_{n=0}^{n_{\max}} \left( e^{i \frac{\pi}{\lambda} \left( \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{P'} \right) (n+1)f} - e^{i \frac{\pi}{\lambda} \left( \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{P'} \right) n f} \right) \\ &= \left( e^{i \frac{\pi}{\lambda} \left( \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{P'} \right) f} - 1 \right) \sum_{n=0}^{n_{\max}} e^{i \frac{\pi}{\lambda} \left( \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{P'} \right) n f}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{If } \left( \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{P'} \right) f = 2m+1 \quad \text{is odd integer} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \psi \propto -2 \sum_{n=0}^{n_{\max}} (-1)^n$$

Hence, constructive interference arises if odd or even zones are covered.

The first focus  $n=1$  arises, if  $\frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{P'} = \frac{1}{f}$

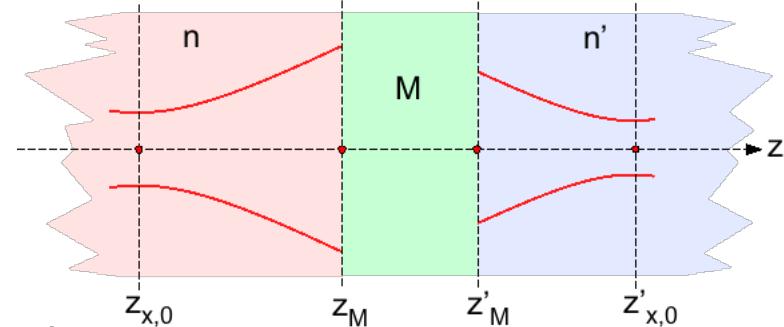
# Paraxial optics with Gaussian beams (ABCD law)

Assume that a Gaussian beam

(cf. Page 14)

$$u(x,y,z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{q_x(z)q_y(z)}} e^{-ik\frac{x^2}{2q_x(z)}} e^{-ik\frac{y^2}{2q_y(z)}}$$

$$q_v(z) \equiv z - z_{v,0} + i \frac{k w_{v,0}^2}{2}, \quad q_{v,M} \equiv q_v(z_M), \quad v \in \{x, y\}$$



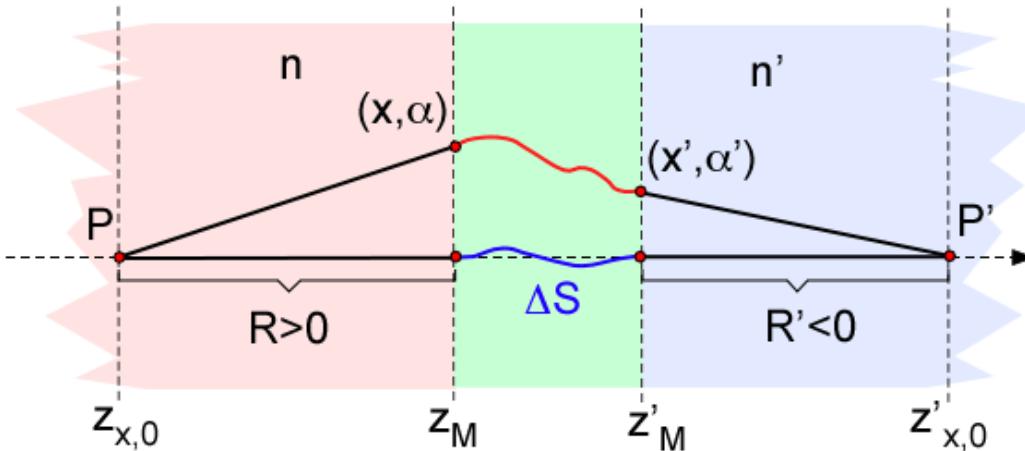
is incident upon an optical system described by a transfer matrix  $M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}$

Statement: the transmitted beam is a Gaussian beam with

$$q'_v(z) \equiv z - z'_{v,0} + i \frac{k w'_{v,0}^2}{2}, \quad q'_{v,M} \equiv q'_v(z'_M), \quad v \in \{x, y\}$$

$$\frac{q'_{v,M}}{n'} = \frac{C + \frac{q_{v,M}}{n} D}{A + \frac{q_{v,M}}{n} B}$$

## Proof



Consider conjugate points  $P, P'$ . According to Fermat 's principle, each path connecting  $P$  and  $P'$  has the same optical path length:

$$S_1 = knR + \Delta S - kn'R'$$

$$S_2 = kn\left(R + \frac{x^2}{2R}\right) + S(x', z_M') - S(x, z_M) - kn'\left(R' + \frac{x'^2}{2R'}\right)$$

$$S_1 = S_2 \Rightarrow S(x', z_M') - S(x, z_M) = \Delta S + kn' \frac{x'^2}{2R'} - kn \frac{x^2}{2R}$$

Determination of  $S(x', z_M') - S(x, z_M)$

$$x' = Cn\alpha + Dx \quad (1)$$

$$n'\alpha' = An\alpha + Bx \quad (2)$$

$$AD - BC = 1 \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} n'\alpha' \\ x' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} n\alpha \\ x \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R = \frac{x}{\alpha} = \frac{xCn}{\alpha Cn} \stackrel{(1)}{=} \frac{x C n}{x' - Dx} \quad (4)$$

$$R' = \frac{x'}{\alpha'} = \frac{x'n'}{\alpha'n'} \stackrel{(2)}{=} \frac{x'n'}{An\alpha + Bx} \stackrel{(3)}{=} \frac{x'n'C}{An\alpha C + (AD - 1)x} \stackrel{(1)}{=} \frac{x'n'C}{Ax' - x} \quad (5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} S(x', z_M') - S(x, z_M) &= \Delta S + kn' \frac{x'^2}{2R'} - kn \frac{x^2}{2R} \\ &= \Delta S + \frac{k}{2C} x' (Ax' - x) - \frac{k}{2C} x (x' - Dx) = \Delta S + \frac{k}{2C} (Ax'^2 + Dx^2 - 2xx') \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

(4,5)

Assume that at  $z_M$  the  $v$ -distribution of the incident field is

$$u(x, z_M) = u_0 e^{-ikn \frac{x^2}{2q}}, \quad q = q_{v,M} = q_v(z_M), \quad L \equiv (z'_M - z_M), \quad u_0 \equiv \left( \frac{1}{2\pi} \right)^{1/4} \left( \frac{k w_0}{q} \right)^{1/2}$$

Using Kirchhoff's generalized integral (Page 32 with  $R = L, Q = 1$ )

$$\begin{aligned} u'(x', z_M') &\equiv \left( \frac{i}{\lambda L} \right)^{1/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx u(x, z_M) e^{-i(S(z_M') - S(z_M))} \stackrel{(6)}{=} \left( \frac{i}{\lambda L} \right)^{1/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx u(x, z_M) e^{-i[\Delta S + \frac{k}{2C}(Ax'^2 + Dx^2 - 2xx')]} \\ &= \left( \frac{i}{\lambda L} \right)^{1/2} u_0 e^{-i\Delta S} e^{-i\frac{k}{2C}Ax'^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx e^{-\left[ ik\left(\frac{n}{2q} + \frac{D}{2C}\right) \right] x^2} e^{-2\left(i\frac{-kx'}{2C}\right)x} \\ &= \left( \frac{i}{\lambda L} \right)^{1/2} u_0 e^{-i\Delta S} \sqrt{\frac{2\pi C}{ik\left(\frac{n}{q}C + D\right)}} e^{-\frac{i\frac{n'kx'^2}{2}}{\left[\frac{1}{n'C}\left(A - \left(\frac{n}{q}C + D\right)^{-1}\right)\right]}} \end{aligned}$$

use  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx e^{-ax^2} e^{-bx} = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{a}} e^{\frac{b^2}{a}}$

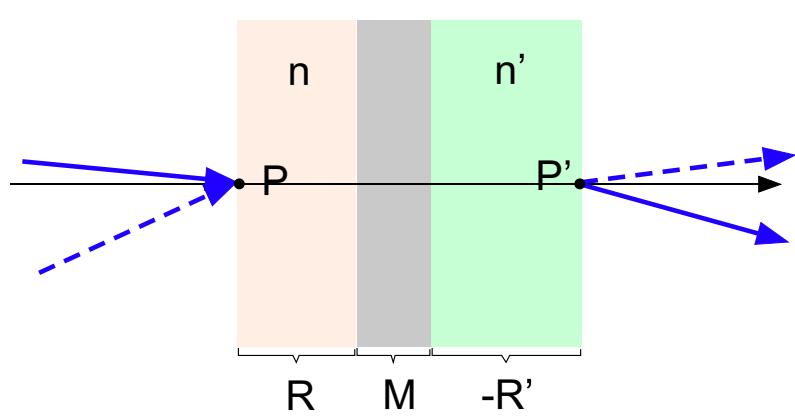
$$= \left( \frac{i}{\lambda L} \right)^{1/2} u_0 e^{-i\Delta S} \sqrt{\frac{2\pi C}{ik\left(\frac{n}{q}C+D\right)}} e^{-\frac{i n' k x'^2}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{n' C} \left( A - \left( \frac{n}{q} C + D \right)^{-1} \right) \right]}$$

$$= e^{-i\Delta S} u_0 \sqrt{\frac{C}{\left(\frac{n}{q}C+D\right)L}} e^{-i k n' \frac{x'^2}{2q'}}, \quad \frac{1}{q'} = \frac{1}{n' C} \left( A - \left( \frac{n}{q} C + D \right)^{-1} \right)$$

$$\frac{n'}{q'} = \frac{1}{C} \left( A - \frac{1}{\frac{n}{q}C+D} \right) = \frac{1}{C} \left( \frac{\frac{n}{q}AC + AD - 1}{\frac{n}{q}C+D} \right) = \left( \frac{\frac{n}{q}A+B}{\frac{n}{q}C+D} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{q'}{n'} = \frac{\frac{n}{q}C+D}{\frac{n}{q}A+B} = \frac{C + \frac{q}{n}D}{A + \frac{q}{n}B}$$

## Recall geometrical optics expression for conjugate points



$$\tilde{M} = \begin{pmatrix} A + \frac{R}{n}B & B \\ C + \frac{R}{n}D - \frac{R'}{n'}\left(A + \frac{R}{n}B\right) & D - \frac{R'}{n'}B \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{with } M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}$$

$$0 = C + \frac{R}{n}D - \frac{R'}{n'}\left(A + \frac{R}{n}B\right) \Rightarrow \frac{R'}{n'} = \frac{C + \frac{R}{n}D}{A + \frac{R}{n}B}$$

Paraxial wave optics

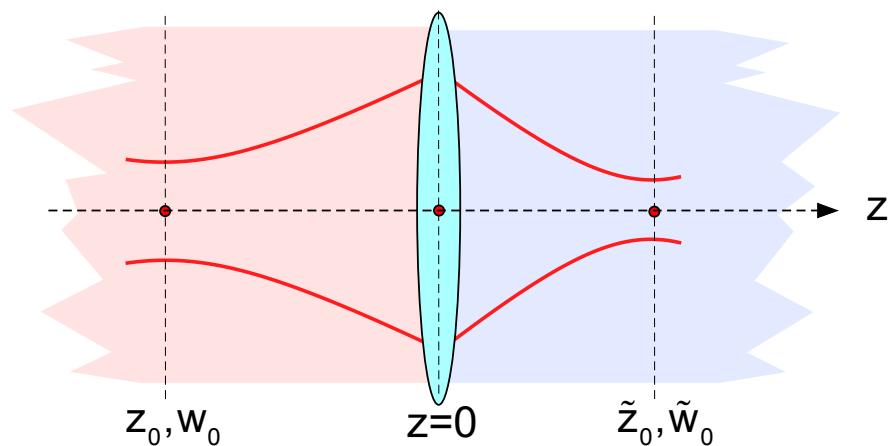
$q \leftrightarrow R$

Paraxial geom. optics

Theorem:  $q_1 = f_{M_1}(q_0), \quad q_2 = f_{M_2}(q_1) \Rightarrow q_2 = f_{M_2 \circ M_1}(q_0)$

Example 1: lens with focal length  $f$

$$M \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 1 & B \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = -\frac{1}{f}$$



$$q = q(0) = -z_0 + q_0, \quad q_0 = i \frac{\pi w_0^2}{\lambda}$$

$$\tilde{q} = \tilde{q}(0) = -\tilde{z}_0 + \tilde{q}_0, \quad \tilde{q}_0 = i \frac{\pi \tilde{w}_0^2}{\lambda}$$

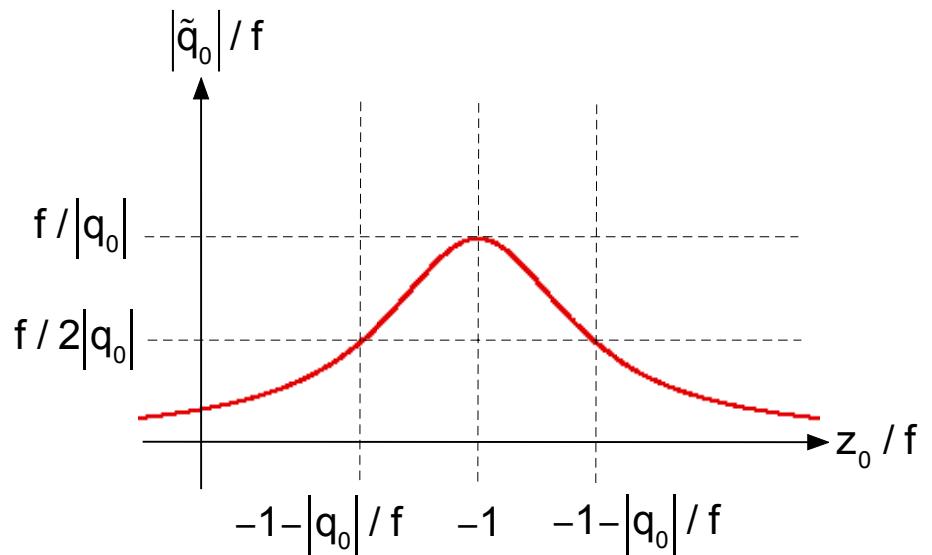
$\Rightarrow$

$$\operatorname{Re}[\tilde{q}] = \frac{\operatorname{Re}[q] + |q|^2 B}{1 + 2\operatorname{Re}[q] B + |q|^2 B^2}$$

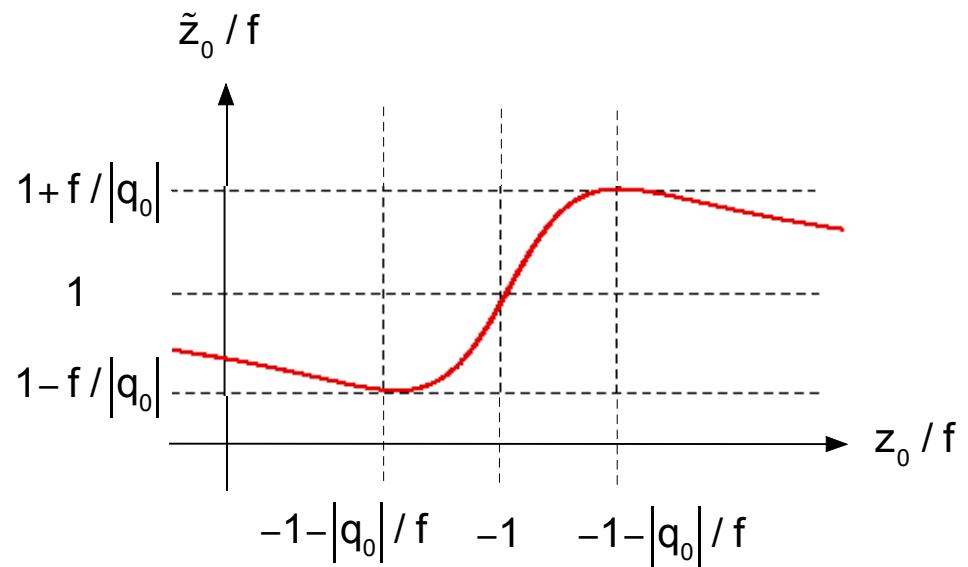
$$\operatorname{Im}[\tilde{q}] = \frac{\operatorname{Im}[q]}{1 + 2\operatorname{Re}[q] B + |q|^2 B^2}$$

### Example 1: lens with focal length f

$$\Rightarrow \frac{|\tilde{q}_0|}{f} = \frac{\frac{|q_0|}{f}}{\left(1 + \frac{z_0}{f}\right)^2 + \frac{|q_0|^2}{f^2}}$$



$$\frac{\tilde{z}_0}{f} = 1 - \frac{1 + \frac{z_0}{f}}{\left(1 + \frac{z_0}{f}\right)^2 + \frac{|q_0|^2}{f^2}}$$



Special case:

$$z_0 = -f \Rightarrow |\tilde{q}_0||q_0| = f^2, \quad \tilde{z}_0 = f$$

## Gaussian beams in optical resonators

consider a resonator with unit cell       $M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}$  ,    $\tilde{q} = \frac{C+qD}{A+qB}$

$$\tilde{q} = f_M(q) = q \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad q^2 + q \left( \frac{A-D}{B} \right) - \frac{C}{B} = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \quad q = \frac{D-A}{2B} \pm \sqrt{\frac{(A+D)^2 - 4}{4B^2}} = \frac{D-A}{2B} \pm i \sqrt{\frac{4-(A+D)^2}{4B^2}}$$

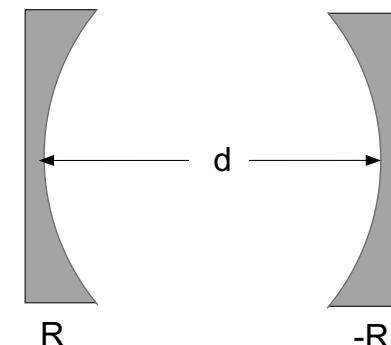
criterion for stability:     $\frac{1}{2} \text{Trace}(M) = \frac{1}{2} |A+D| < 1$

same condition as in  
geometrical optics:

Example: resonator with two identical mirrors

unit cell

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ d & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{2}{R} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{2}{R} \\ d & 1 - \frac{2d}{R} \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\Rightarrow q = \frac{d}{2} \pm i \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(2R-d)d}$$

### 1. concentric resonator

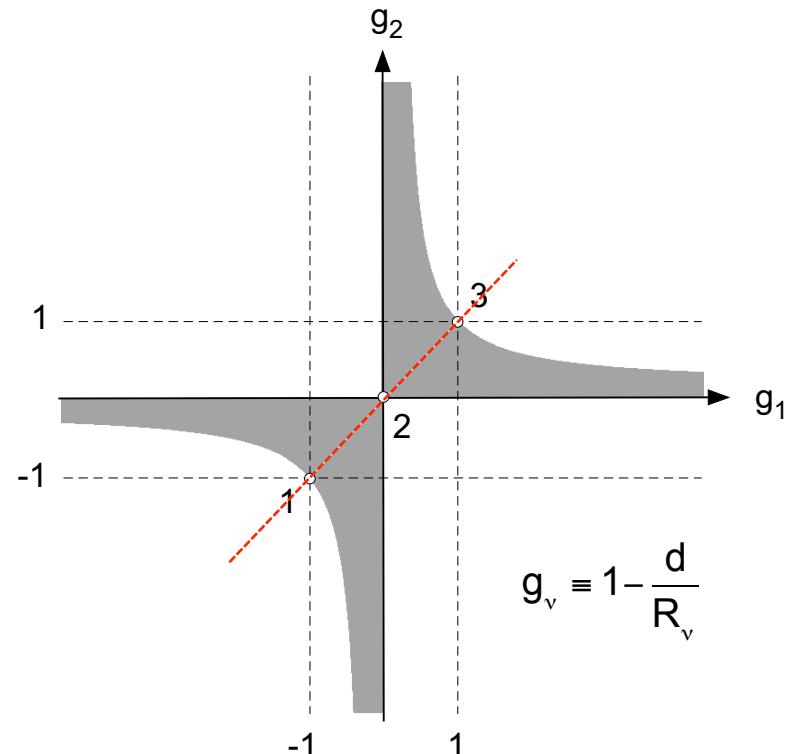
waist position =  $\frac{d}{2}$ , confocal parameter = 0

### 2. confocal resonator

waist position =  $\frac{d}{2}$ , confocal parameter = d

### 3. plane resonator

waist position =  $\frac{d}{2}$ , confocal parameter =  $\infty$



Resonance condition  $w_0 \equiv w_{x,0} = w_{y,0}$

$$kd - (n+m+1) \left( \Phi\left(\frac{d}{2}\right) - \Phi\left(-\frac{d}{2}\right) \right) = v \pi, \quad v \text{ integer}$$

$$\Phi(z) = \arctan\left(\frac{2z}{b}\right), \quad b = \frac{2\pi w_0^2}{\lambda} = \sqrt{(2R-d)d}$$

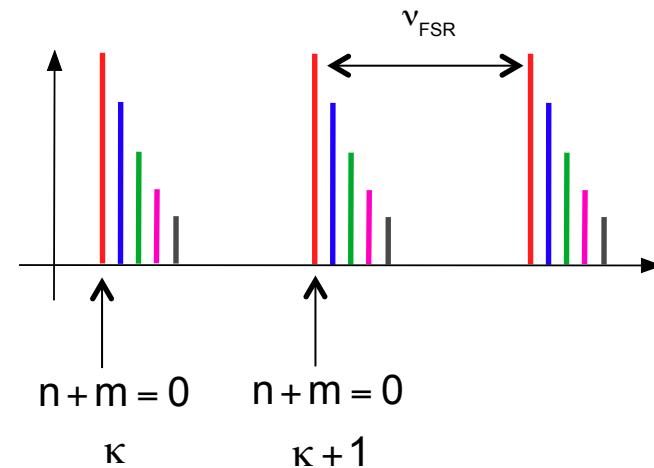
$$\Rightarrow kd - (n+m+1) 2 \operatorname{arctg}\left(\frac{d}{\sqrt{(2R-d)d}}\right) = \kappa \pi, \quad \kappa \text{ integer}$$

use  $2 \operatorname{arctg}(x) = \operatorname{arctg}\left(\frac{2x}{1-x^2}\right)$ ,  $\operatorname{arctg}(y) = \operatorname{arc cos}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+y^2}}\right)$

$$\Rightarrow kd - (n+m+1) \operatorname{arc cos}\left(1 - \frac{d}{R}\right) = \kappa \pi, \quad \kappa \text{ integer}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{v}{v_{FSR}} = \kappa - \frac{1}{\pi} (n+m+1) \operatorname{arc cos}\left(1 - \frac{d}{R}\right), \quad \kappa \text{ integer}$$

nearly plane resonator  $R \gg d$



confocal resonator  $R = d \Rightarrow \frac{v}{v_{FSR}} = \kappa - \frac{1}{2}(n+m+1)$ ,  $\kappa$  integer

