



FIG. 1.—One-dimensional coronagraph summary, with locations and electric field or stop profiles of (a) primary pupil for on-axis source, (b) image before image plane stop, (c) image plane stop, (d) image after image plane stop, (e) pupil before Lyot stop, (f) Lyot stop, (g) pupil after Lyot stop, and (h) final on-axis image. In this example, 98% of the incident power is blocked by the coronagraph.

the image plane is therefore  $1 - w(D_\lambda \theta/s)$  (Fig. 1c). To illustrate the present discussion, we take  $w(\theta) = \exp(-\theta^2/2)$ . The field in the first imaging plane after the occulting stop (Fig. 1d) can therefore be written as

$$E_d \propto \text{sinc}(D_\lambda \theta) \left[ 1 - w\left(\frac{D_\lambda \theta}{s}\right) \right]. \quad (4)$$

This occulted image is relayed to a detector through a second pupil plane. The electric field at this second pupil is the Fourier transform of the occulted image field (see

Fig. 1e):

$$E_e \propto \Pi\left(\frac{x}{D_\lambda}\right) * \left[ \delta(x) - \frac{s}{D_\lambda} W\left(s \frac{x}{D_\lambda}\right) \right]. \quad (5)$$

Here  $W$  is the Fourier transform of the image stop function  $w$ ,  $\delta(x)$  is the Dirac delta function, and  $*$  denotes convolution.  $W$  has width of order unity, although it will not have bounded support for occulting stop shape functions of finite extent, such as the hard-edged stop  $w(\theta) = \Pi(\theta)$  (the support of a function is the set of points at which the function is