



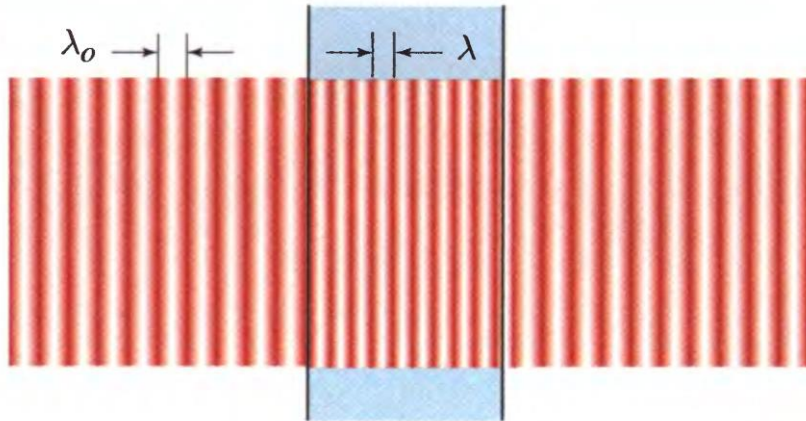
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# Thin optical components & Diffraction

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# Thin optical elements

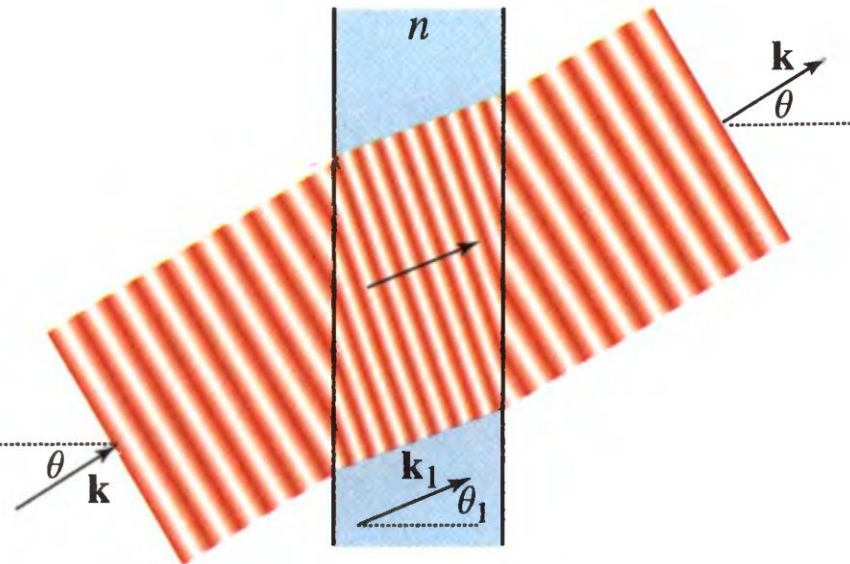
## ► Phase delay caused by thin optical elements



$$U(x, y, \mathbf{d}) / U(x, y, 0)$$

$$t(x, y) = \exp(-jn k_o \mathbf{d}) .$$

Transmittance of flat dielectric plate  
(normal incidence)



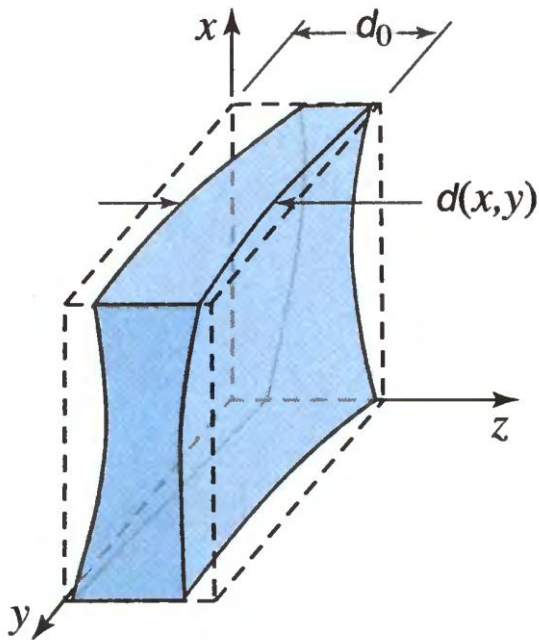
$$\exp(-j\mathbf{k}_1 \cdot \mathbf{r}) = \exp[-jn k_o (z \cos \theta_1 + x \sin \theta_1)]$$

$$t(x, y) = \exp(-jn k_o \mathbf{d} \cos \theta_1)$$

Transmittance of flat dielectric plate  
(oblique incidence)

# Thin optical elements

- Thin plate with variable thickness (refractive index =  $n$ )



Optical path length:  $nd(x, y) + n_{air}(d_0 - d(x, y))$

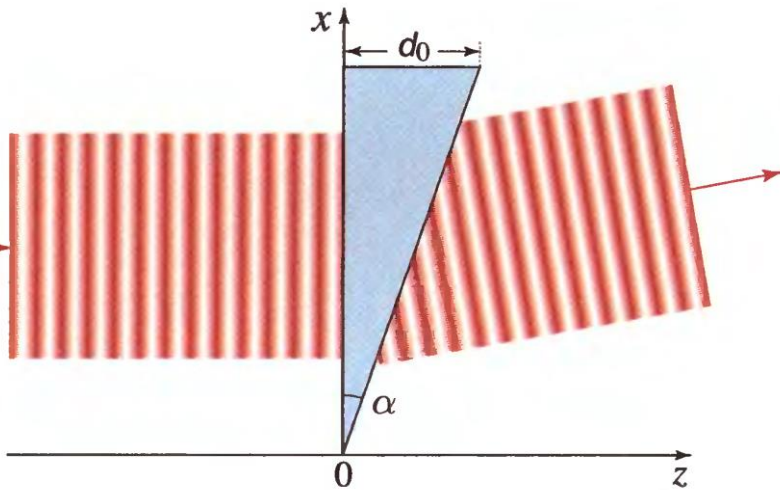
Phase delay:

$$t(x, y) \approx \exp[-jn k_o d(x, y)] \exp[-jk_o(d_0 - d(x, y))]$$

$$t(x, y) \approx h_0 \exp[-j(n - 1)k_o d(x, y)]$$

Transmittance of thin plate with variable thickness  
(slowly varying thickness)

# Thin prism



When alpha is small,

$$t(x, y) = h_0 \exp[-j(n-1)k_0 \alpha x]$$

Plane wave incidence

$$U(x, y, z) = A \exp(-jk_0 z) \quad z < 0$$

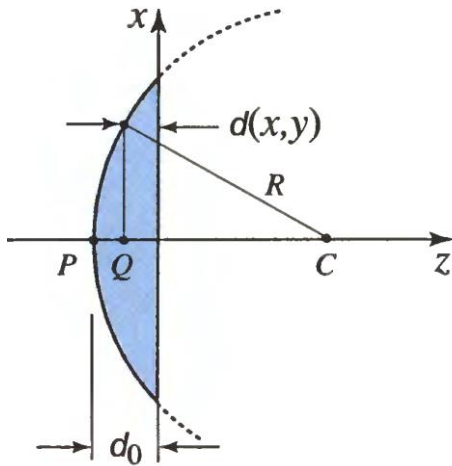
Outgoing wave (paraxial approximation)

$$U(x, y, z) = Ah_0 \exp(-j(n-1)\alpha k_0 x) \exp(-jk_z z) \quad z > d$$

Outgoing wave have wavevector of  $\mathbf{k} = ((n-1)\alpha k_0, 0, k_z)$

$$k_z = \sqrt{k_0^2 - k_x^2} \approx k_0 \quad \sin \theta_d \approx \theta_d \approx (n-1)\alpha$$

# Thin lens



$$d(x, y) = d_0 - \left[ R - \sqrt{R^2 - (x^2 + y^2)} \right]$$

$$\sqrt{R^2 - (x^2 + y^2)} \approx R \left( 1 - \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2R^2} \right)$$

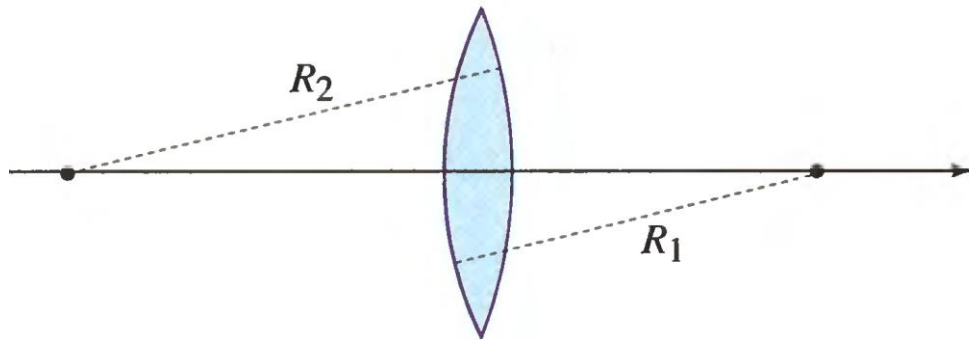
$$d(x, y) \approx d_0 - \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2R}$$

Transmittance of thin planoconvex lens

$$t(x, y) \approx h_0 \exp \left[ jk_0 \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2f} \right] \quad f = \frac{R}{n - 1}$$



# Thin lens



A (double) convex lens

$$t_{R_1}(x, y) = h_1 \exp(jk_0 \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2f_1})$$

$$t_{R_2}(x, y) = h_2 \exp(jk_0 \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2f_2})$$

$$t(x, y) = h_1 h_2 \exp(jk_0 \frac{(x^2 + y^2)}{2} \left( \frac{1}{f_1} + \frac{1}{f_2} \right)) = h_0 \exp(jk_0 \frac{(x^2 + y^2)}{2f})$$

$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{f_1} + \frac{1}{f_2} = (n-1) \left( \frac{1}{R_1} - \frac{1}{(-R_2)} \right)$$

Same formula with ray-optic Assumption!

# Thin lens

Plane wave incidence

$$U(x, y, z) = A \exp(-jk_0 z) \quad z < 0$$

Outgoing wave (paraxial approximation)

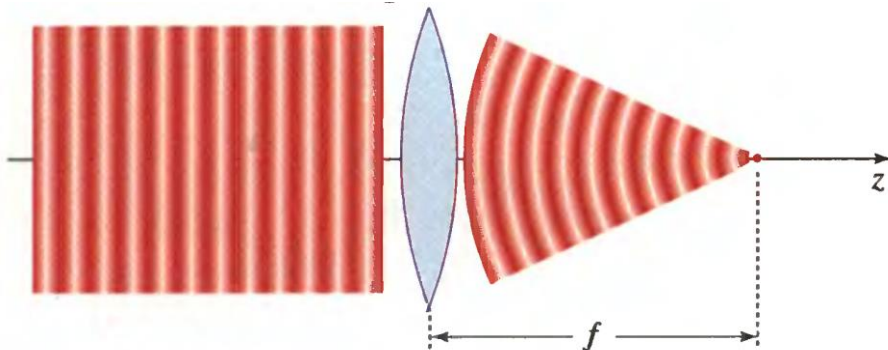
$$U(x, y, z) \approx Ah_0 \exp\left(-jk_0 \frac{-x^2}{2f}\right) \exp(-jk_0 z) = C \exp\left(-jk_0 \left(\frac{-x^2}{2f} + z\right)\right) \quad z > d$$

Wavefront  $\Phi$

Wavevector at position  $x_0$

$$\nabla \Phi = \mathbf{k} = (-k_0 x_0 / f, 0, k_0)$$

It focused to focal point!



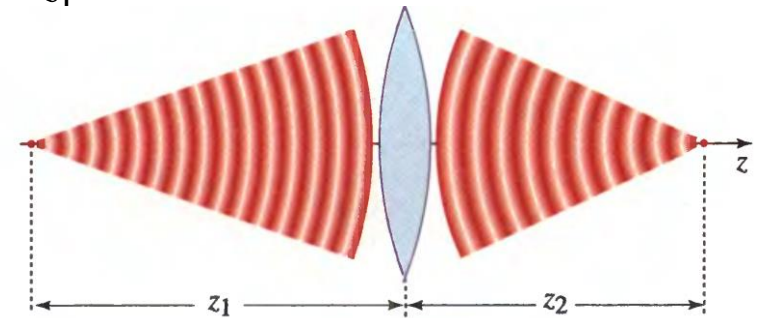
# Thin lens

When Paraboloidal wave (source at  $-z_1$ ) is incident light

$$U(x, y, 0) = \frac{A}{z_1} \exp(-jk_0 z_1) \exp(-jk_0 \frac{x^2}{2z_1}) \quad z = 0$$

$$t(x, y) = h_0 \exp(jk_0 \frac{x^2}{2f})$$

Outgoing wave



$$U(x, y, z) = B \exp(-jk_0 z) \exp(-jk_0 \frac{x^2}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{z_1} - \frac{1}{f} \right]) \quad z > 0$$

$$\frac{1}{z_1} + \frac{1}{z_2} = \frac{1}{f}$$

Imaging equation  
(Derived with Wave Opt.)

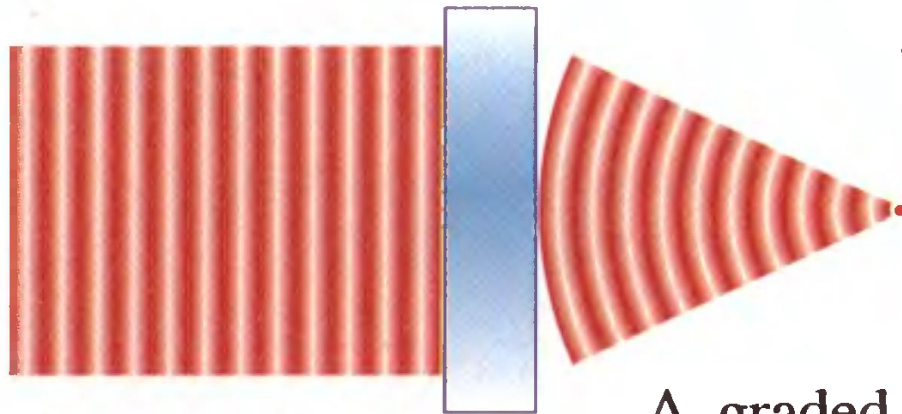
$$\frac{1}{z_2}$$



# Graded-index optical element

Phase of transmittance can be adjusted not only varying thickness but also varying refractive index

$$t(x, y) = \exp[-jn(x, y)k_0 d_0]$$



$$n(x, y) = n_0[1 - \frac{1}{2}\alpha^2(x^2 + y^2)]$$

A graded-index plate

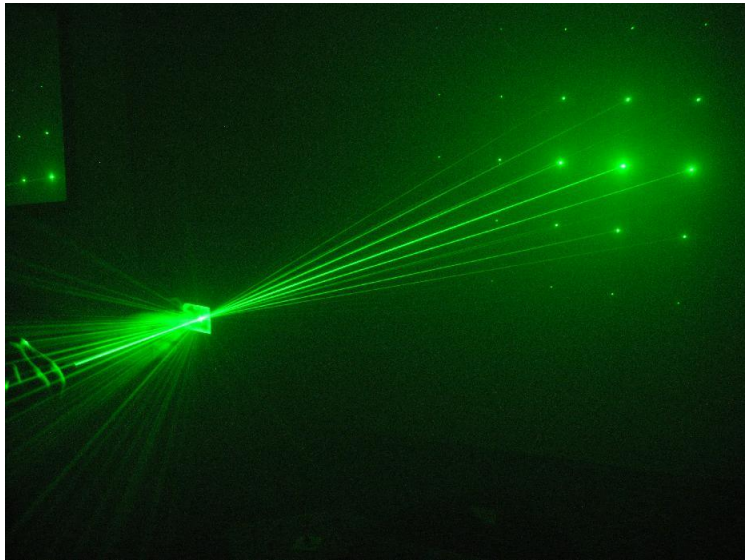
When both of thickness and refractive index are varying,

$$t(x, y) \approx h_0 \exp[-j(n(x, y) - 1)k_0 d(x, y)]$$

# Diffraction gratings

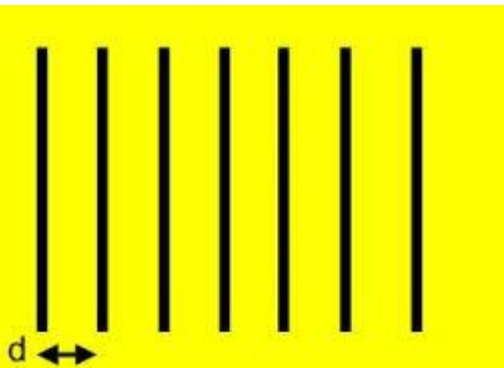
Diffraction gratings: Periodic slits or apertures that can diffract light

Light diffraction



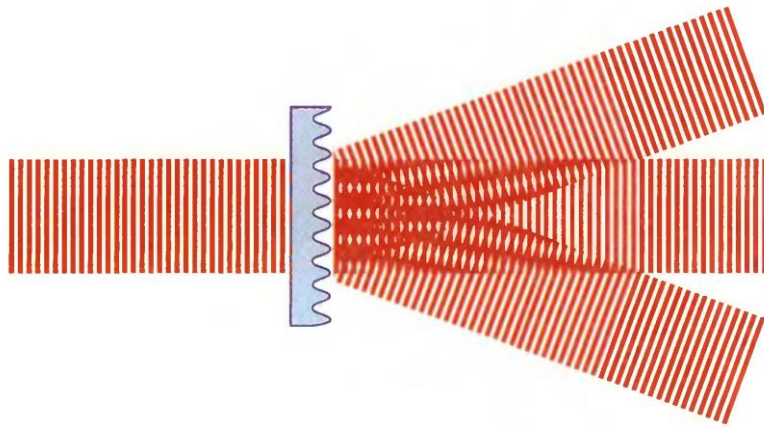
Diffraction from DVD

Diffraction gratings



# Diffraction gratings

Angle diffracted from the diffraction grating



When  $\lambda \ll \Lambda$  is small  
(paraxial approximation)

$$\theta_q = \theta_i + q \frac{\lambda}{\Lambda}$$

In general case,

$$\sin \theta_q = \sin \theta_i + q \frac{\lambda}{\Lambda}$$

Arbitrary periodic function (period of  $\Lambda$ ) can be expressed as,

$$t(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} C_n e^{-j \frac{2\pi n}{\Lambda} x}$$

# Diffraction gratings

Incident plane wave  $U(x, z) = A \exp(-j(k_0 \sin \theta_{in} x + k_0 \cos \theta_{in} z))$

Outgoing wave (after passing the gratings)

$$U(x, z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} C_n A \exp(-j(k_0 \sin \theta_{in} + \frac{2\pi n}{\Lambda})x - jk_z z)$$

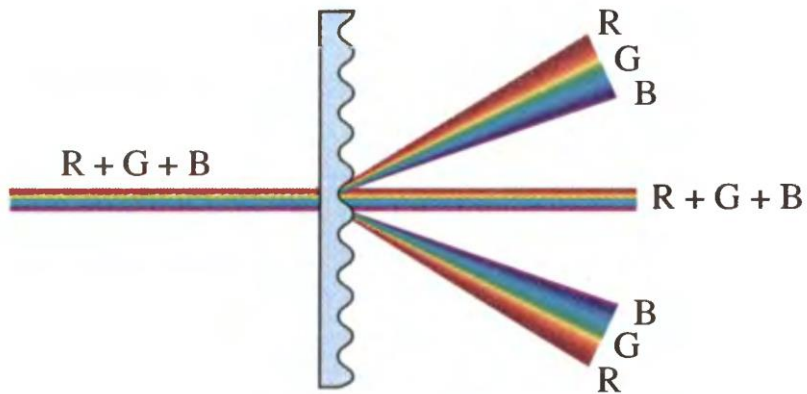
The diffraction angle can be driven as

$$\sin \theta_{out} = \sin \theta_{in} + \frac{2\pi n}{\Lambda k_0} = \sin \theta_{in} + n \frac{\lambda}{\Lambda}$$

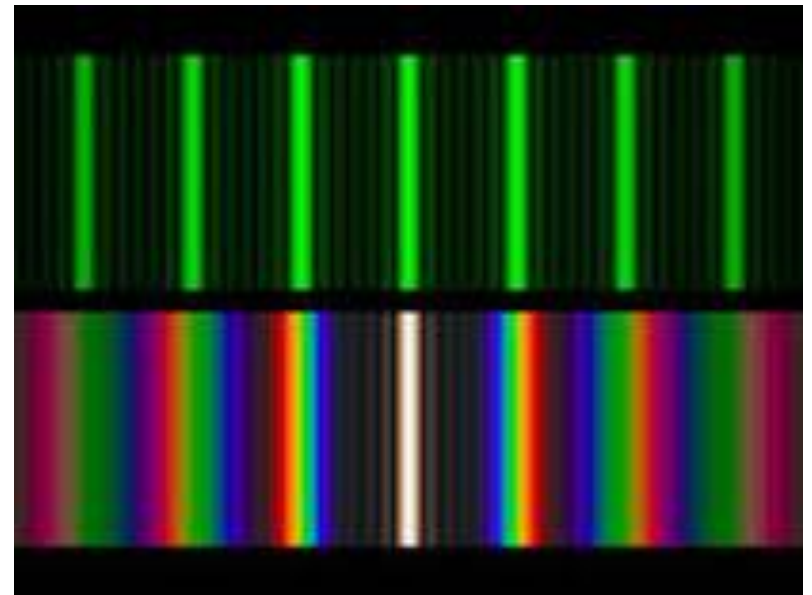


# Diffraction gratings

Diffraction angle depends on period of the gratings and wavelength of incident light



Monochromatic light



White light



# 2D-Fourer transform

1D Fourier transform: Any arbitrary function can be expressed by the sum of infinite sin, cos waves having different frequencies.

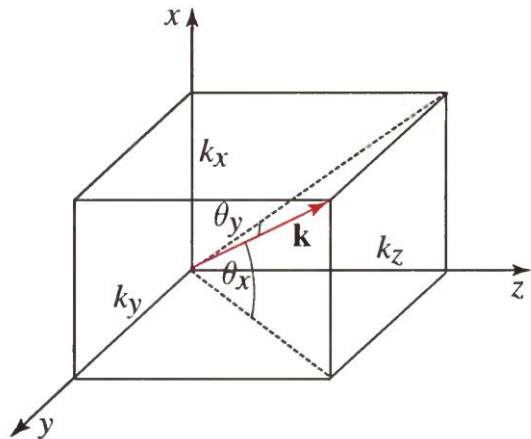
$$f(t) = \text{[arbitrary wave]} = \text{[sin wave]} + \text{[cos wave]} + \text{[sin wave]} + \dots$$

2D Fourier transform: Any Image (2D-function) can be expressed by the sum of infinite sin, cos waves having different frequencies.

$$f(x, y) = \text{[Portrait of Fourier]} = \text{[diagonal stripes]} + \text{[steeper diagonal stripes]} + \text{[horizontal stripes]} + \dots$$

# Spatial frequency of light

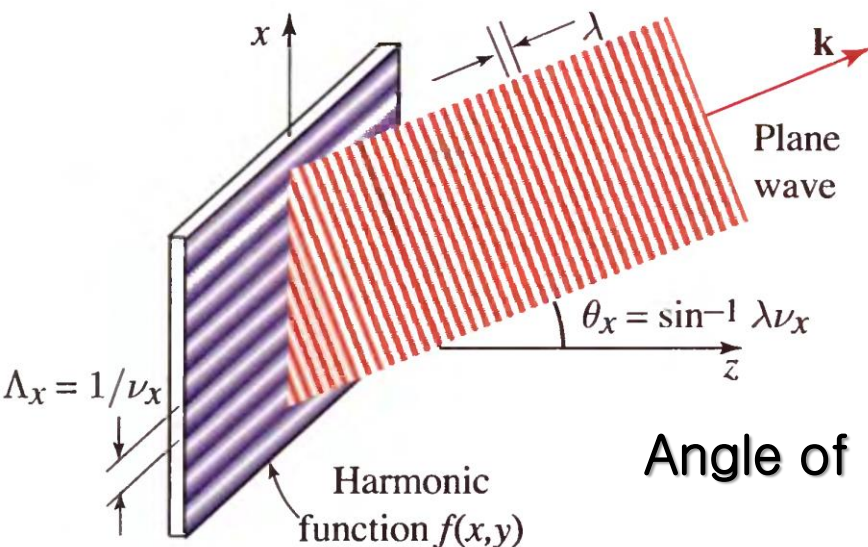
A Plane wave  $U(x, y, z) = A \exp[-j(k_x x + k_y y + k_z z)]$



express spatial wavelength in x-y plane

$$\lambda_x = \frac{2\pi}{k_x} = \frac{1}{\nu_x}, \quad \lambda_y = \frac{2\pi}{k_y} = \frac{1}{\nu_y}$$

$$\theta_x = \sin^{-1} \lambda \nu_x, \quad \theta_y = \sin^{-1} \lambda \nu_y.$$



If  $k_x \ll k$  and  $k_y \ll k$ ,

$$\theta_x \approx \lambda \nu_x, \quad \theta_y \approx \lambda \nu_y.$$

(Paraxial approximation)

Angle of plane wave is related to spatial frequency

# Light transmittance

Transmitted wavefunction is multiplication of transmittance and incident wavefunction

$$U(x, y, d) = t(x, y)U(x, y, 0)$$

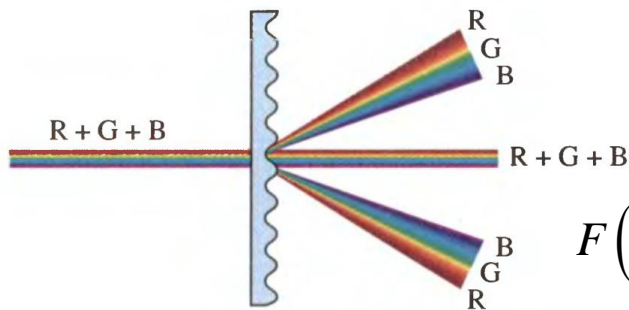
Using Fourier-transform,

$$F(U(x, y, d)) = F(t(x, y)) * F(U(x, y, 0))$$

Angular spectrum of transmitted light is convolution of Fourier transformed transmittance and angular spectrum of incident light.

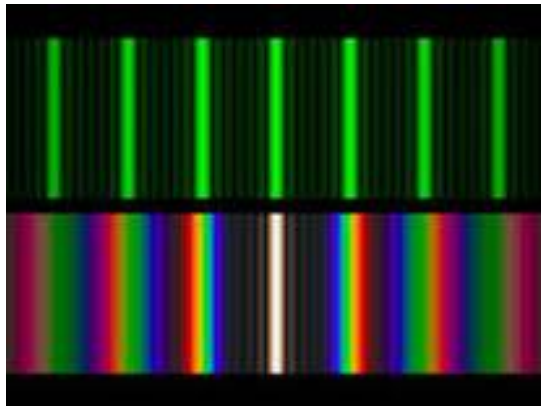
# Diffraction – revisited

- An element with a transmittance that varies as  $1 + \cos(2\pi\nu_y y)$  behaves as a diffraction grating (see Exercise 2.4-5); the incident wave is bent into right and left components, and a portion of it travels straight through.



$$F(U(x, y, 0)) = \delta(k_x, k_y)$$

$$F(1 + \cos(k_{y0}y)) = \delta(k_x, k_y) + \frac{1}{2}\delta(k_x, k_y - k_{y0}) + \frac{1}{2}\delta(k_x, k_y + k_{y0})$$



$$F(U(x, y, d)) = F(t(x, y)) * F(U(x, y, 0))$$

$$= \delta(k_x, k_y) + \frac{1}{2}\delta(k_x, k_y - k_{y0}) + \frac{1}{2}\delta(k_x, k_y + k_{y0})$$

$$\approx \delta\left(\frac{\theta_x}{\lambda}, \frac{\theta_y}{\lambda}\right) + \frac{1}{2}\delta\left(\frac{\theta_x}{\lambda}, \frac{\theta_y}{\lambda} - \frac{\theta_{y0}}{\lambda}\right) + \frac{1}{2}\delta\left(\frac{\theta_x}{\lambda}, \frac{\theta_y}{\lambda} + \frac{\theta_{y0}}{\lambda}\right)$$

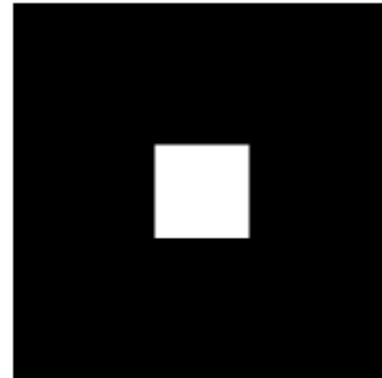
# Fraunhofer Diffraction

Consider an aperture function of  $t(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for open area} \\ 0 & \text{for blocked area} \end{cases}$

If incident wave is normal plane wave,

$$F(U(x, y, 0)) = \delta(k_x, k_y)$$

A square aperture



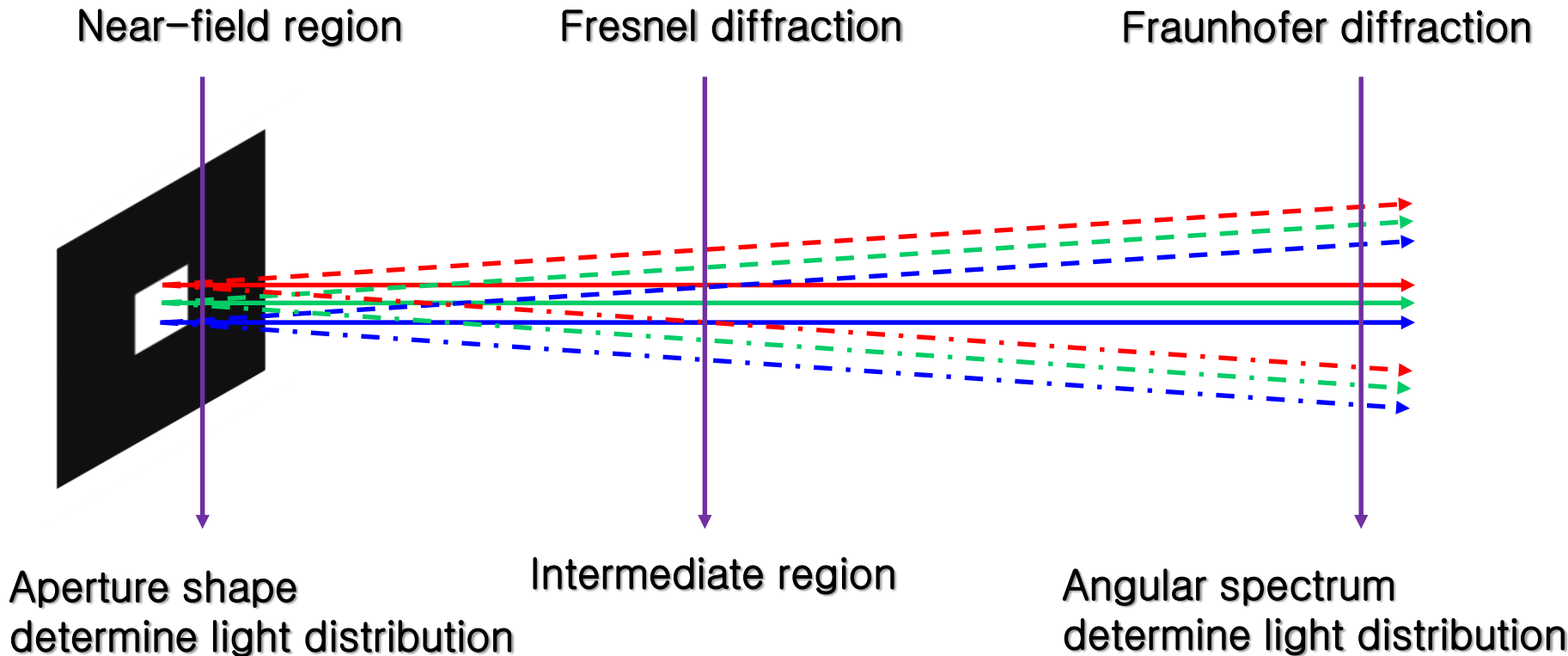
Angular spectrum of transmitted light is a Fourier transformed aperture function

$$F(U(x, y, d)) = F(t(x, y)) * F(U(x, y, 0)) = F(t(x, y))$$



# Fraunhofer Diffraction

If observing distance is very far away from the aperture,

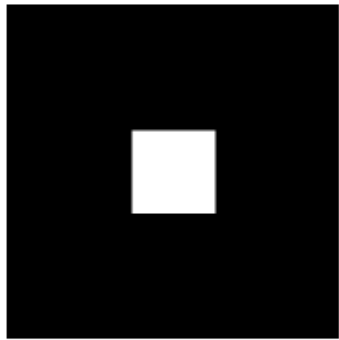


Field distribution finally became its angular spectrum

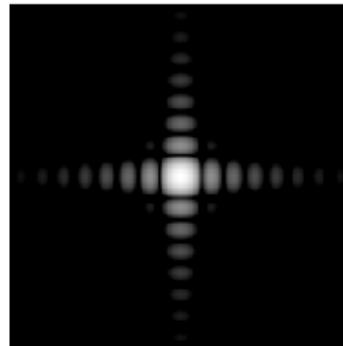
# Fraunhofer Diffraction

In Fraunhofer diffraction zone, field distribution follow its angular spectrum, which is given as

$$U(x, y, d) \propto h_0 T(\theta_x, \theta_y) = h_0 T\left(\lambda \frac{x}{d}, \lambda \frac{y}{d}\right), \quad T(\nu_x, \nu_y) = F(t(x, y))$$



Aperture

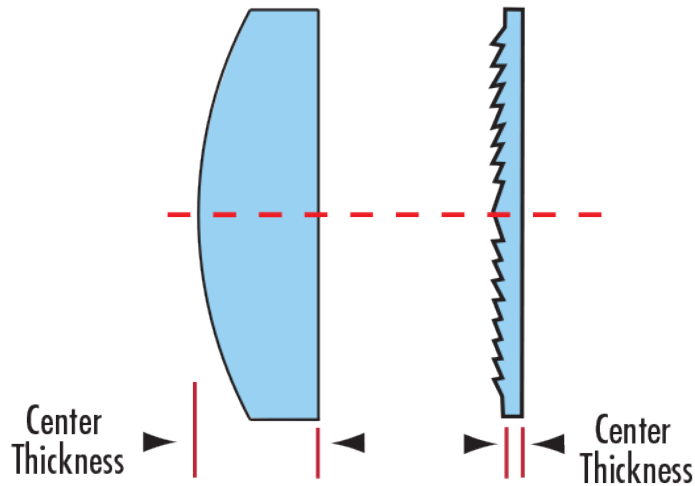


Fraunhofer  
diffraction



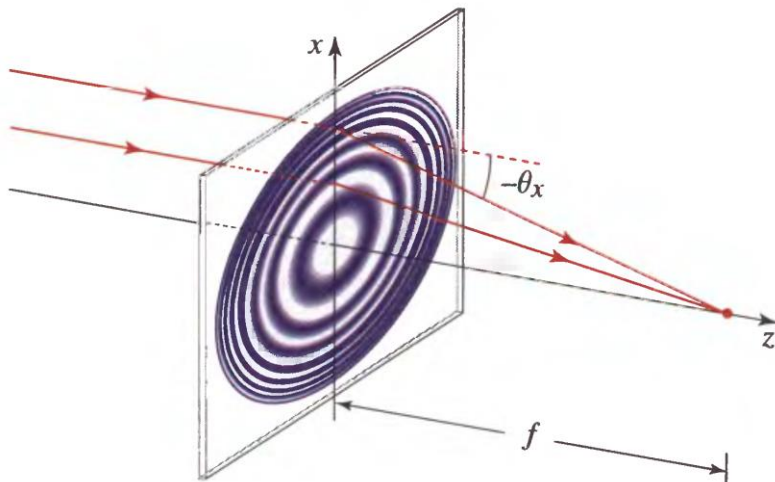
Can you guess the shape  
of initial aperture?

# Fresnel lens

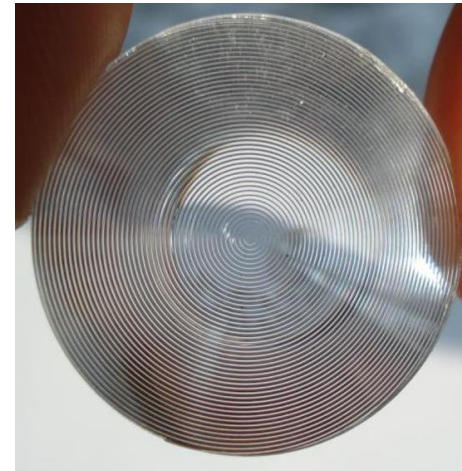


$$f(x, y) = \exp[j\pi(x^2 + y^2)/\lambda f]$$

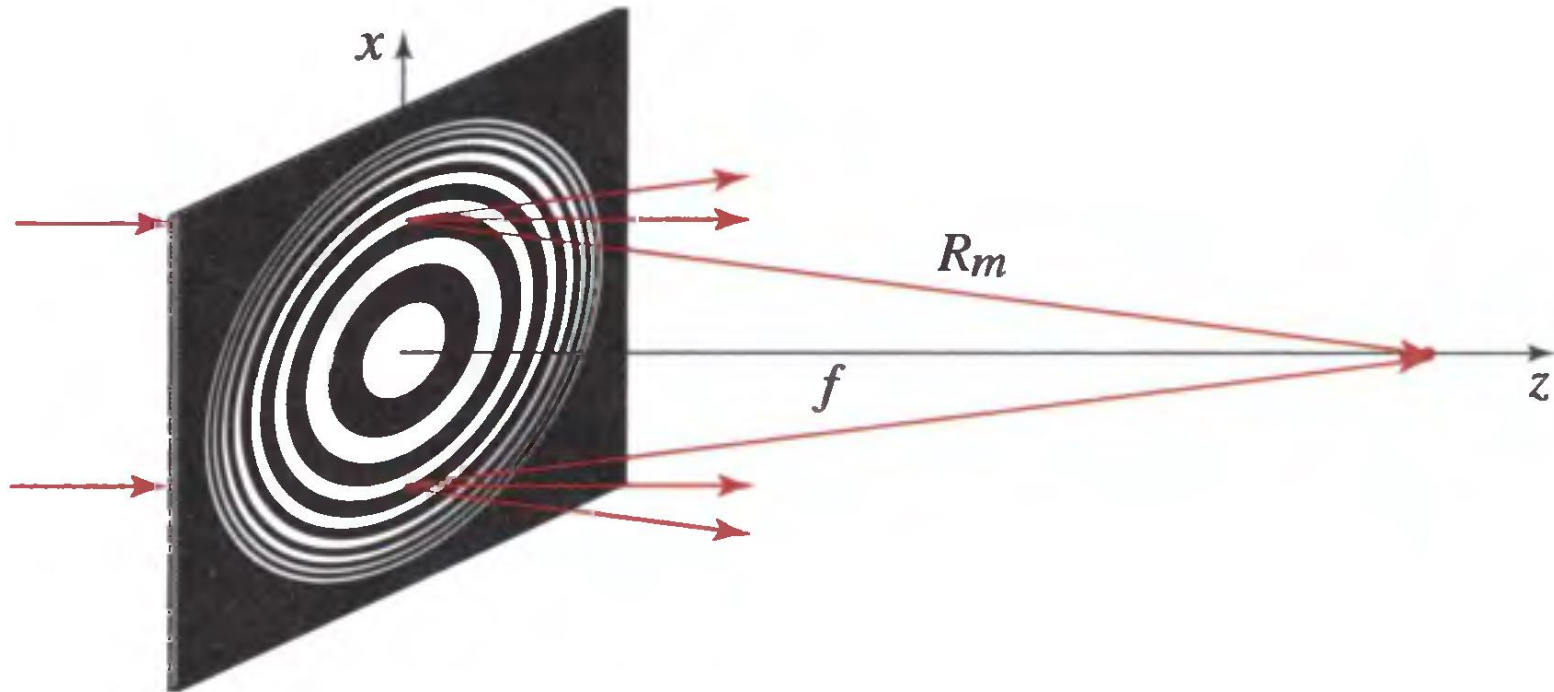
$$\theta_x = \sin^{-1}(\lambda \partial \phi / \partial x) = \sin^{-1}(-x/f)$$



Fresnel lens



# Fresnel zone plate



Much easier to make compared to Frenel lens  
However, multifocus appears and focusing efficiency is low  
multiple focal lengths equal to  $\infty$ ,  $\pm f$ ,  $\pm f/2$ , ....

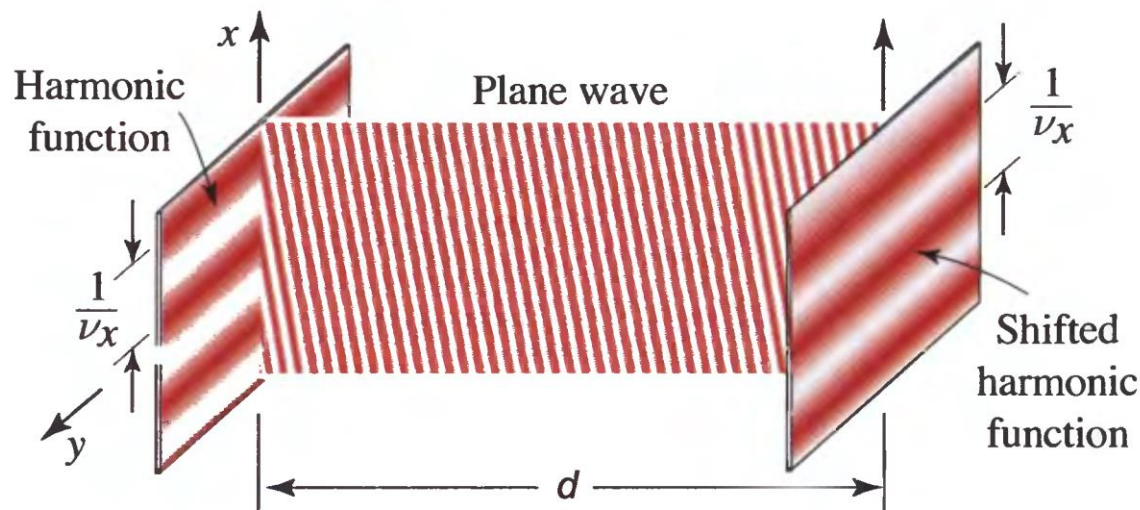
# Free-space transfer function

Transmittance of free-space for plane-wave (distance of  $d$ )

$$\exp(-jk_z d) \quad k_z = \sqrt{k^2 - k_x^2 - k_y^2} = 2\pi \sqrt{\lambda^{-2} - \nu_x^2 - \nu_y^2}$$

Transmittance of free-space is given as a function of spatial frequency

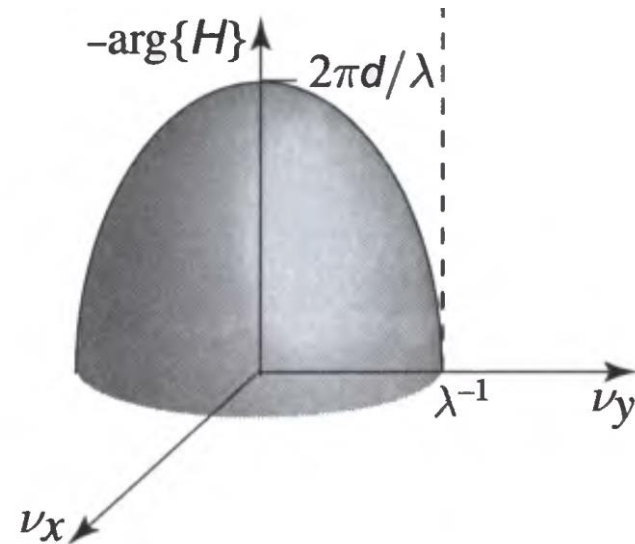
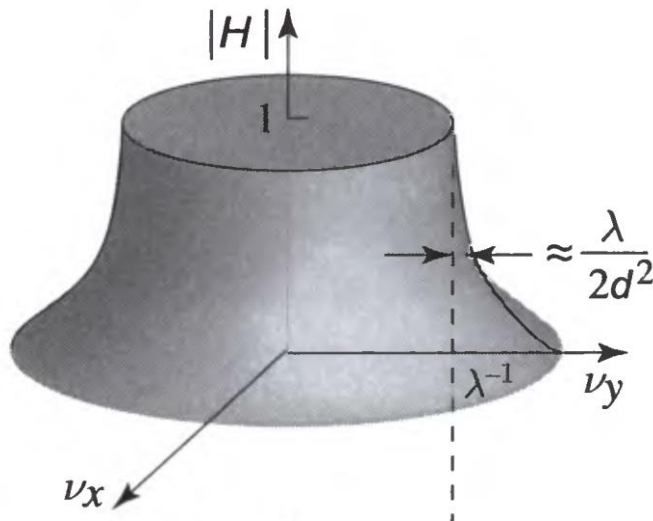
$$H(\nu_x, \nu_y) = \exp\left(-j2\pi d \sqrt{\lambda^{-2} - \nu_x^2 - \nu_y^2}\right) \quad \text{Transfer function of free space}$$





# Free-space transfer function

## Amplitude and Phase of free-space transfer function



$$k_x^2 + k_y^2 < k^2$$

Propagating wave

$$\lambda_T > \lambda$$

$$k_x^2 + k_y^2 > k^2$$

Evanescent wave

$$\lambda_T < \lambda$$

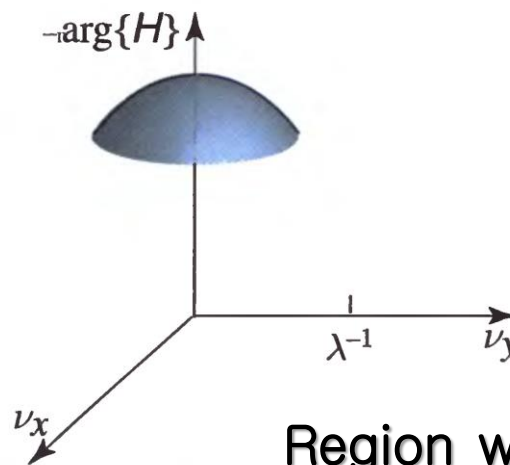
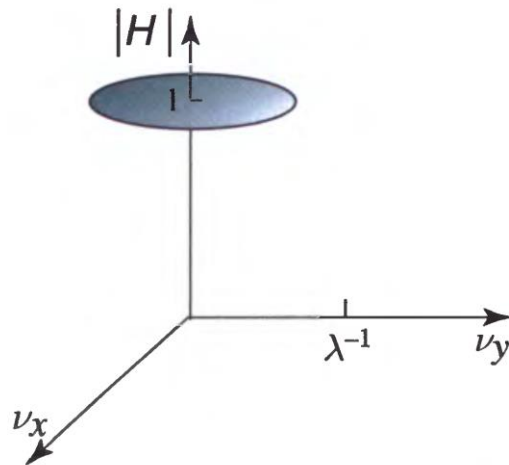
# Fresnel approximation

If we can approximate

$$2\pi d \sqrt{\lambda^{-2} - \nu_x^2 - \nu_y^2} = 2\pi \frac{d}{\lambda} \sqrt{1 - \theta^2} = 2\pi \frac{d}{\lambda} \left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{2}\right)$$

$$H(\nu_x, \nu_y) \approx H_0 \exp [j\pi \lambda d (\nu_x^2 + \nu_y^2)]$$

Transfer Function of Free Space  
(Fresnel Approximation)



$$\frac{\theta^4 d}{4\lambda} \ll 1$$

Region where we can approximate  
Hemicircular  $\arg(H)$  to paraboloid