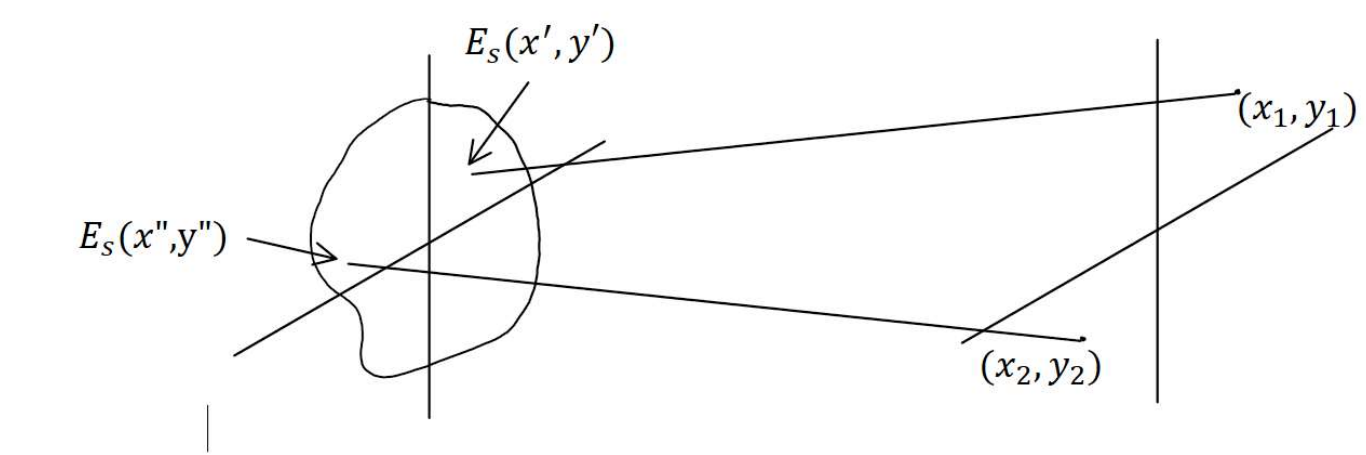


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 Lab 5

1. Abstract

This study explores the simulation of partial coherence based on the van Cittert–Zernike theorem. By employing multiple realizations of a random phase mask and an aperture of varying sizes, we analyze the impact of aperture dimensions on coherence.

2. Van-Cittert Zernike Theorem



The field at at far field distance is given by:

$$E_{out} = \int \int dx' dy' E_s(x', y') e^{-i2\pi (xx' + yy') / \lambda z}$$

The correlation at two points in the far field:

$$< E_{out}(x_1, y_1) E_{out}(x_2, y_2) > = \int \int \int dx' dy' dx'' dy'' < E_s^*(x', y') E_s(x'', y'') > e^{i2\pi [(x'x_1 + y'y_1) - (x''x_2 + y''y_2)] / \lambda z}$$

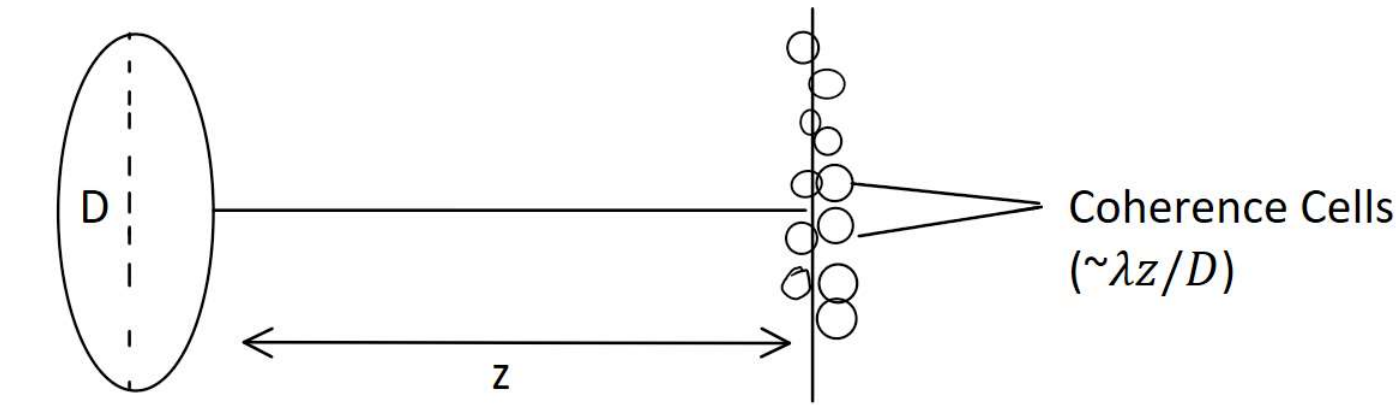
for incoherent source,

$$< E_s^*(x', y') E_s(x'', y'') > = I_s(x', y') \delta(x' - x'', y' - y'')$$

Therefore,

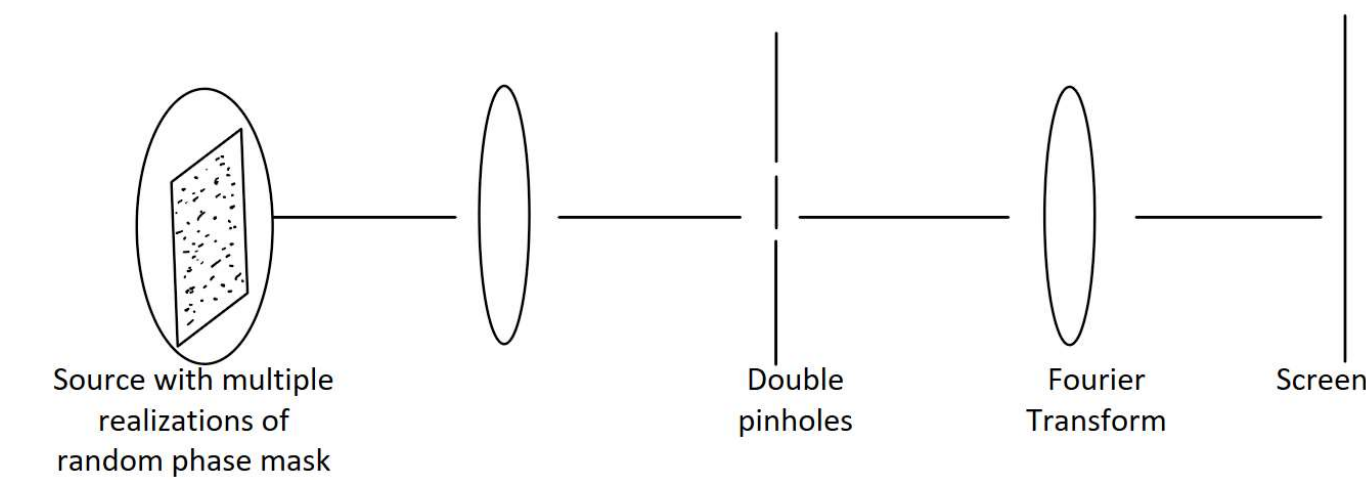
$$\Gamma(x_1, y_1 : x_2, y_2) = \int \int dx' dy' I_s(x', y') e^{i2\pi [x'(x_2 - x_1) + y'(y_2 - y_1)] / \lambda z}$$

This result is known as Van-Cittert and Zernike Theorem. The correlation between two points due to an incoherent source will be like the diffraction pattern of the aperture.



If the aperture is circular, the size over which the two points are coherent, i.e. the size of the coherence cell will be given by $\lambda z / D$.

3. Parital Coherence Simulation



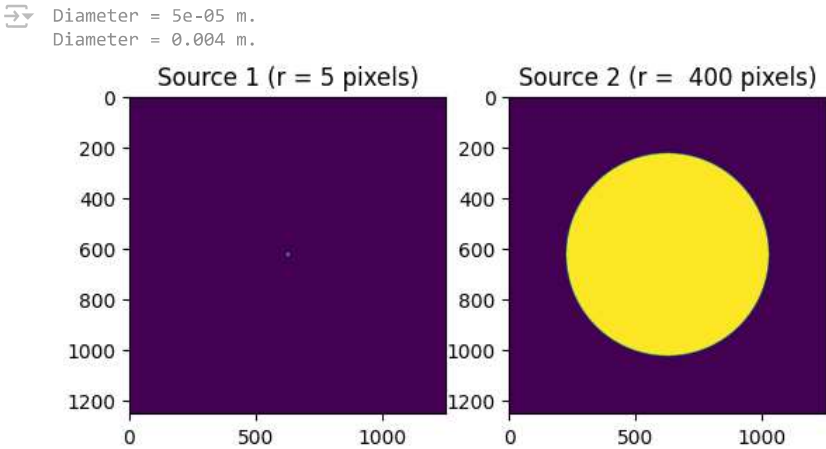
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1 import numpy as np
2 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
3 from tqdm.notebook import tqdm

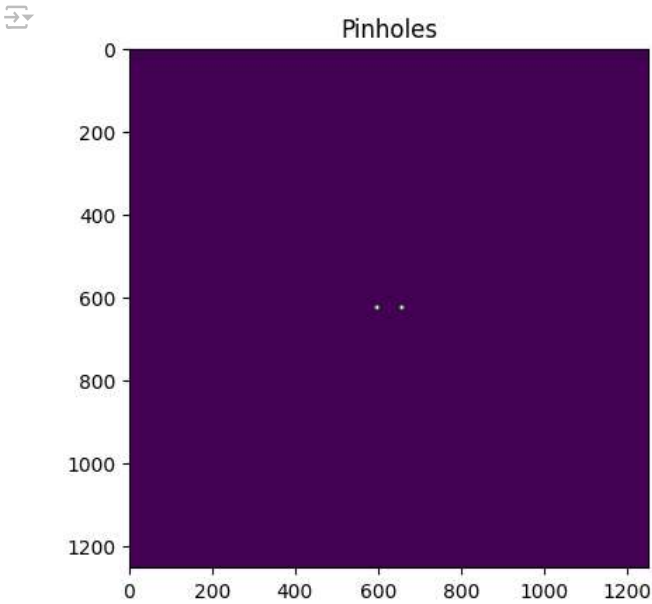
4
5 # Helper functions
6 def ft2(x):
7     return np.fft.fftshift(np.fft.fft2(np.fft.ifftshift(x))) # Fourier transform
8
9 def ift2(x):
10    return np.fft.fftshift(np.fft.ifft2(np.fft.ifftshift(x))) # Inverse fourier transform

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1 # Constants
2 N = 1254 # For a screen size of 6.27 mm * 6.27 mm
3 p = 5e-6 # Pixel Size
4 wavelength = 0.6328e-6 # Wavelength of He-Ne laser = 0.6328 micron
5 k = 2*np.pi/wavelength # Wave vector
6 D = 2e-3 # Diameter of the aperture is 2 mm
7
8 # Coordinates
9 x0 = np.linspace(-N/2, N/2, N, endpoint = True)
10 x, y = np.meshgrid(x0*p, x0*p)
11
12 f0 = x0/N
13 fx, fy = np.meshgrid(f0/p, f0/p)
14
15 # Source 1 of radius 5 pixels
16 radius1 = 5 * p
17 circ1 = np.zeros((N,N))
18 circ1[(x**2 + y**2) <= radius1**2] = 1
19 print(f"Diameter = {2*radius1} m.")
20
21 # Source 2 of radius 400 pixels
22 radius2 = 400*p
23 circ2 = np.zeros((N, N))
24 circ2[(x**2 + y**2) <= radius2**2] = 1
25 print(f"Diameter = {2*radius2} m.")
26
27 plt.figure()
28
29 plt.subplot(1,2,1)
30 plt.imshow(circ1)
31 plt.title("Source 1 (r = 5 pixels)")
32
33 plt.subplot(1,2,2)
34 plt.imshow(circ2)
35 plt.title("Source 2 (r = 400 pixels)")
36 plt.show()
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1 # Pinholes in fourier plane
2 pinhole = np.zeros((N, N))
3 x1 = 30*p # Pinhole separation
4 radius = 5*p # Pinhole radius
5 pinhole[(x-x1)**2 + (y)**2 <= radius**2] = 1
6 pinhole[(x+x1)**2 + (y)**2 <= radius**2] = 1
7
8 plt.figure()
9 plt.imshow(pinhole)
10 plt.title("Pinholes")
11 plt.show()
```



```
1 #Initialize intensity with zeros
2 intensity1 = np.zeros((N, N))
3
4 # Generate multiple realizations of random phase mask and observe the averaged intensity
5 for i in tqdm(range(100)):
6     mask = np.exp(1j * 2*np.pi*np.random.rand(N, N)) # random phase
7     aperture = circ1 * mask # Source 1 with random phase
8     partial = ft2(aperture) # field at fourier plane
9     after_pinhole = partial * pinhole # field through two pinholes
10    final_field = ft2(after_pinhole) # interference field
11    intens = np.abs(final_field)**2 # intensity
12    intens = intens/intens.max() # normalized intensity
13    intensity1 += intens # add intensity to previous intensities
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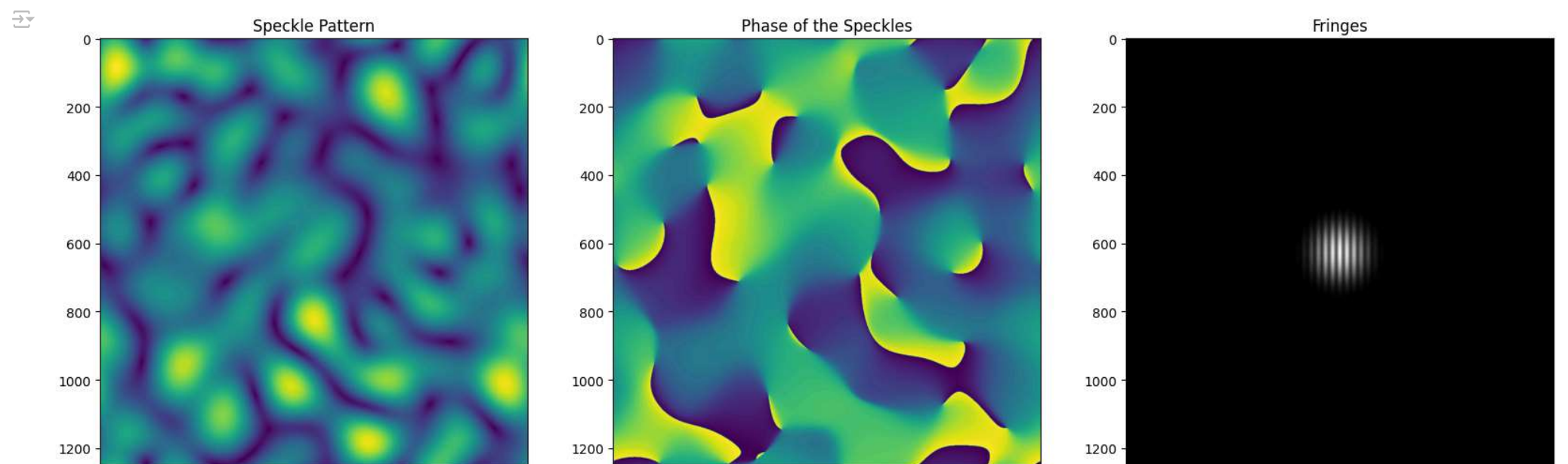


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1 # Display results
2 plt.figure(figsize = (20, 10))
3
4 plt.subplot(1,3,1)
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5 plt.imshow(np.abs(partial))
6 plt.title("Speckle Pattern")
7
8 plt.subplot(1,3,2)
9 plt.imshow(np.angle(partial))
10 plt.title("Phase of the Speckles")
11
12 plt.subplot(1,3,3)
13 plt.imshow(intensity1/100, cmap = "gray") # Displays average intensity
14 plt.title("Fringes")
15
16 plt.show()

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The fringes have well contrast. The size of the coherence cells is large, because the aperture size is very small, and therefore the field on the two pinholes is coherent and the resultant fringes have good contrast.

```

1 # Initialize intensity with zeros
2 intensity2 = np.zeros((N, N))
3
4 # Generate multiple realizations of random phase mask and observe the averaged intensity
5 for i in tqdm(range(100)):
6     mask = np.exp(1j * 2*np.pi*np.random.rand(N, N))
7     aperture = circ2 * mask # Source 2 with random phase
8     partial = ft2(aperture)
9     after_pinhole = partial * pinhole
10    final_field = ft2(after_pinhole)
11    intens = np.abs(final_field)**2
12    intens = intens/intens.max()
13    intensity2 += intens

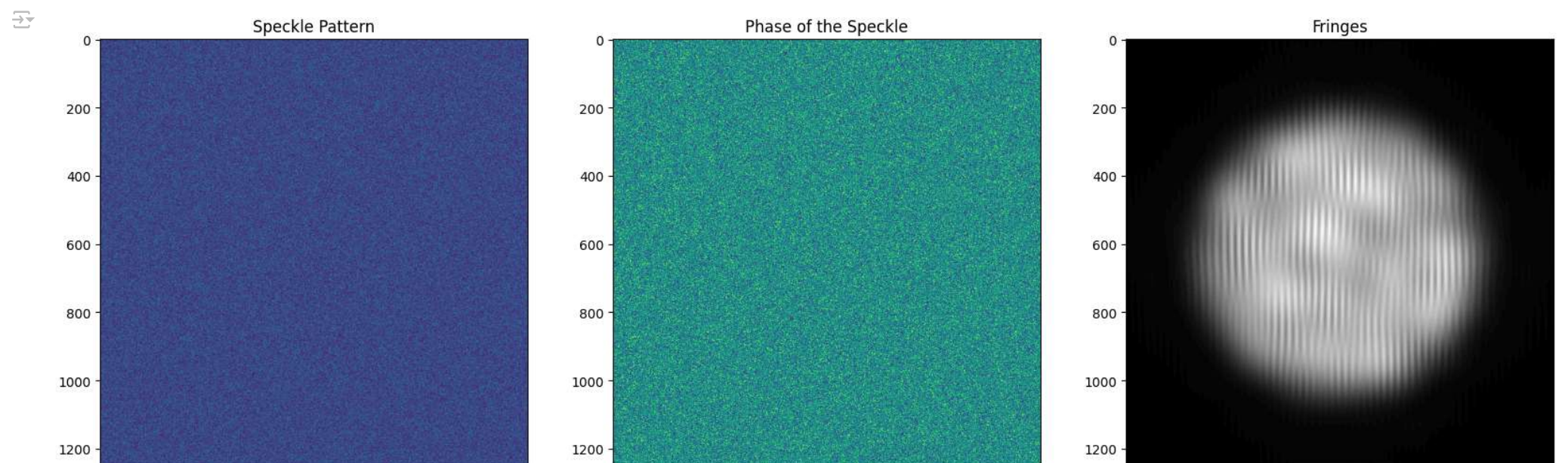
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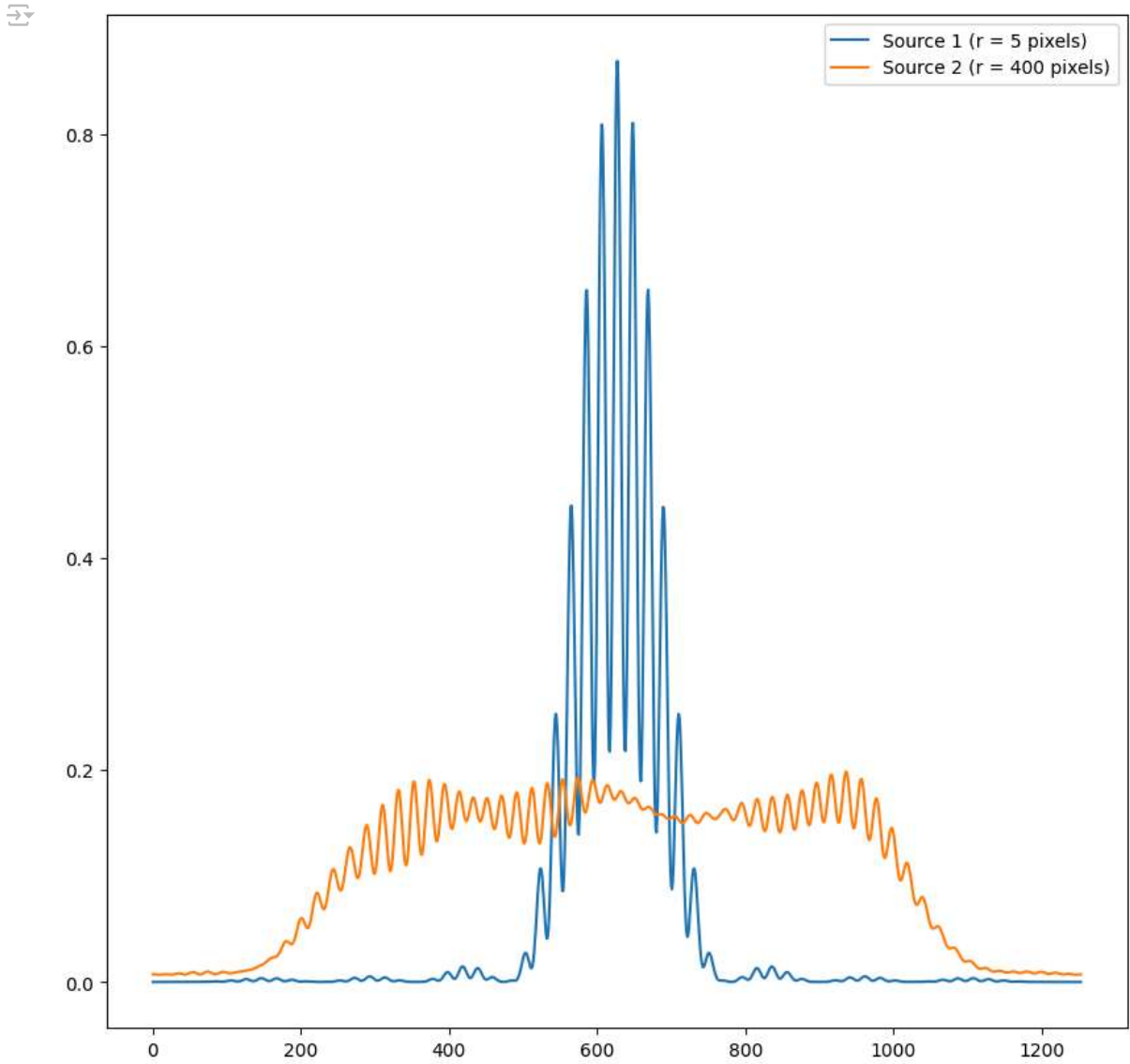
The source size is now very large and therefore the size of the coherence cells is very small. As a result, the field at the two pinholes is incoherent and we get interference fringes with low contrast.

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1 # The contrast of the fringes
2 first = intensity1/100 # Source 1
3 second = intensity2/100 # Source 2
4
5 profile1 = first[N//2, :] # Intensity profile for Source 1
6 profile2 = second[N//2, :] # Intensity profile for Source 2
7
8 plt.figure(figsize = (10,10))
9 plt.plot(profile1, label = "Source 1 (r = 5 pixels)")
10 plt.plot(profile2, label = "Source 2 (r = 400 pixels)")

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11 plt.legend()
12 plt.show()
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From the plot we can observe that the contrast for Source 2 is greatly reduced.

4. Conclusion

The simulation highlights the crucial relationship between aperture size and fringe contrast in partially coherent systems. As the aperture size increases, the contrast of the interference fringes decreases, consistent with the theoretical predictions of the van Cittert-Zernike theorem. These results validate the simulation approach and emphasize the importance of aperture size in optical coherence experiments.