

# **Advanced Image Processing**

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## **Part V: Image Sensor Models. Noise Models.**

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# Recommended books

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- A. K. Jain, Fundamentals of Digital Image Processing, Prentice-Hall, 1989.
- R. Lagendijk and J. Biemond, Iterative Identification and restoration of Images, Kluwer Academic Publishers, 1991.
- M. Bertero and P. Boccacci, Introduction to Inverse Problems in Imaging, IOP Publishing LTD, 1998.
- A.N. Tikhonov and V.Y. Arsenin, Solutions of ill-posed problems, Washington: Winston/Willey, 1977.
- V.A. Morozov, Methods for Solving Incorrectly Posed Problems, Springer, 1984.

# Roadmap:

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1. Introduction
2. Generalized Model of Imaging Systems
3. Image Sensor Models

- Linear motion blur
- Defocusing
- Diffraction Limited Imaging
- Sparse Imaging Devices
- Phase Errors in Focusing
- Atmospheric Turbulence

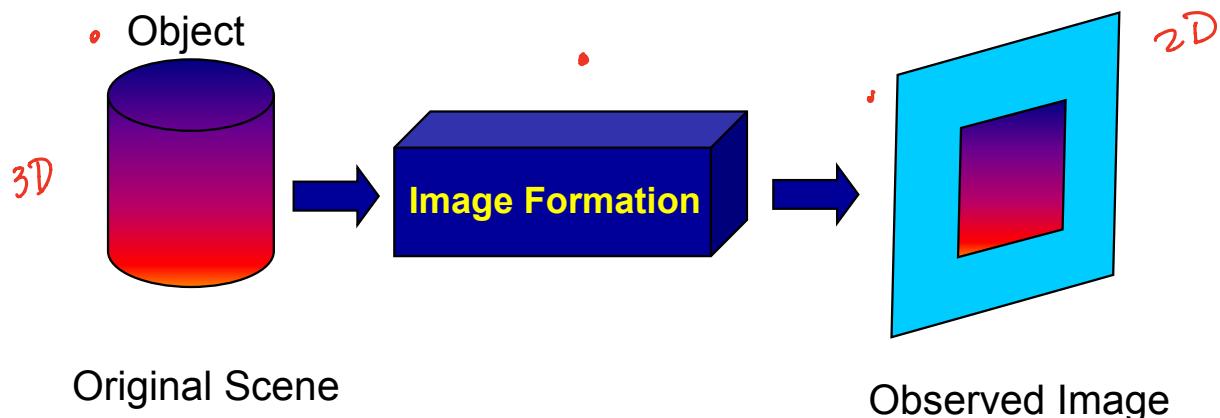
4. Noise Models

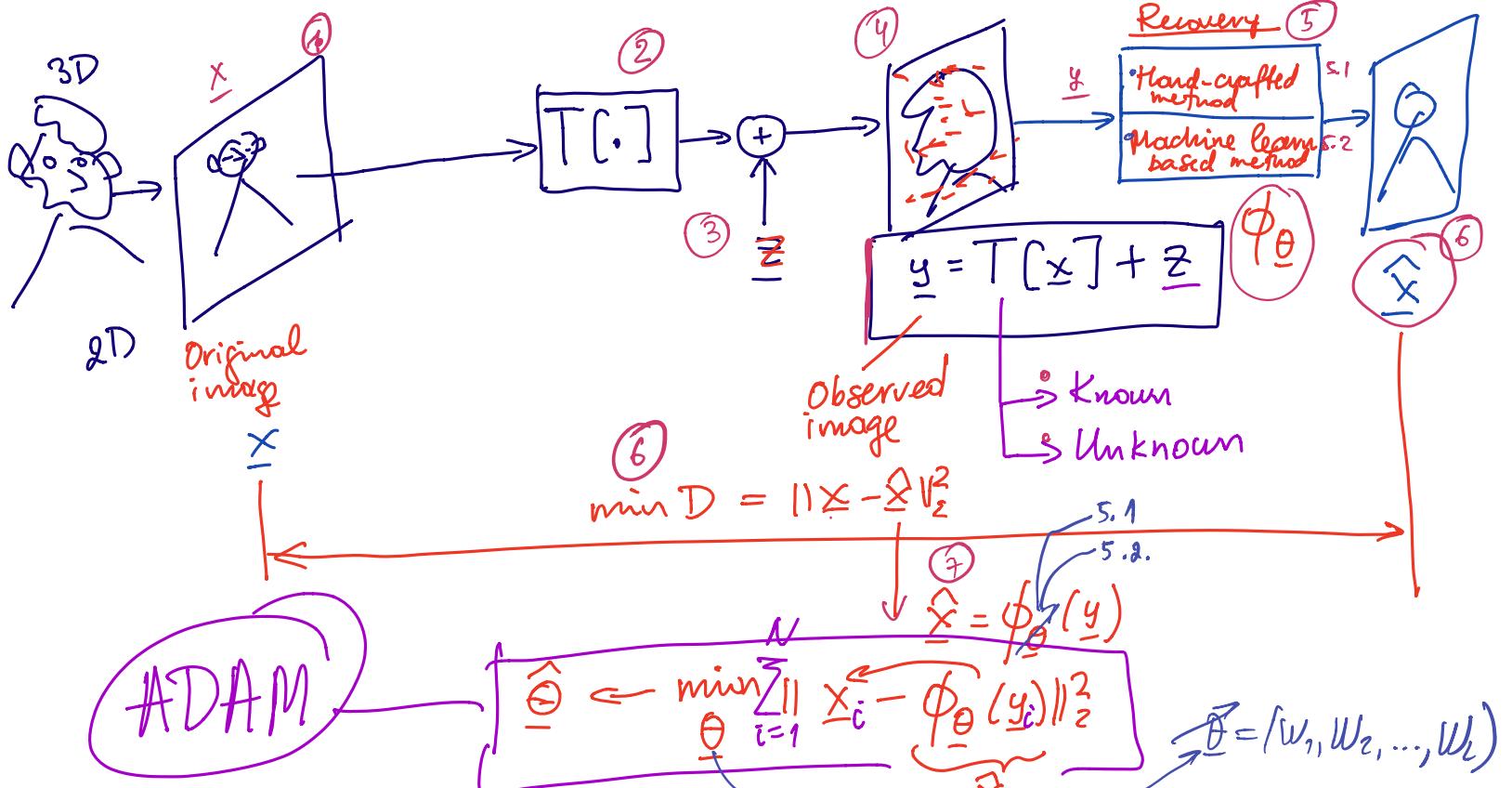
- Additive Noise
- Discrete Noise
- Multiplicative Noise

# 1. Introduction

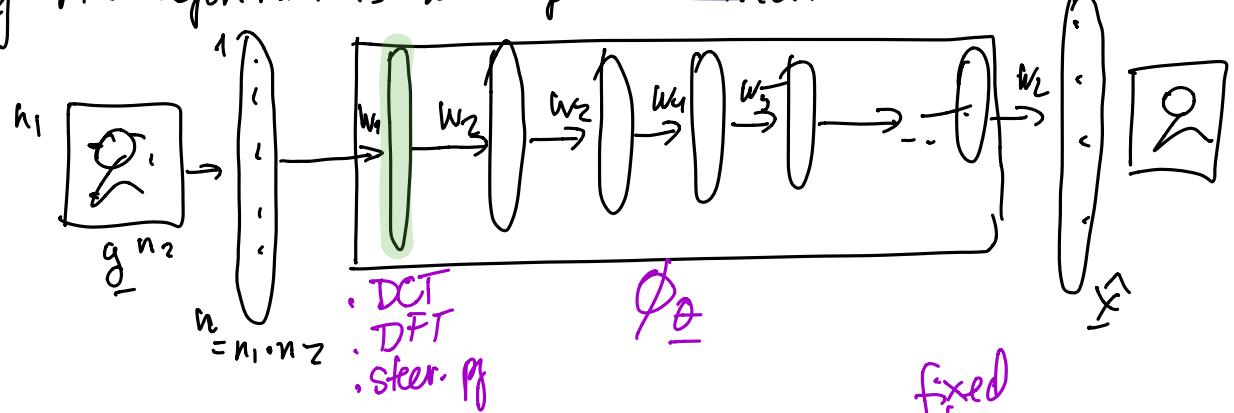
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- Images are produced to record or to display useful information.
- Due to imperfections in the electronic or photographic medium, communication channel and digitizing equipment, however the resulted image often represents a degraded version of the original scene.

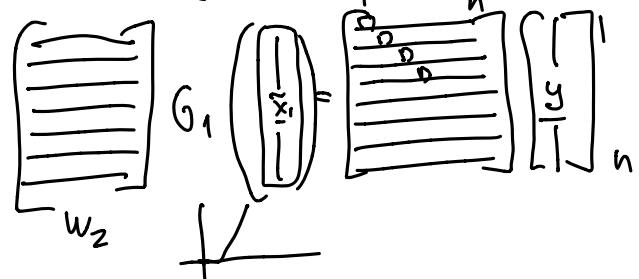




Any ML algorithm is now parameterized.



$$\phi_{\underline{\theta}} = G_L(w_L \dots \dots G_2(w_2 G_1(w_1 y)))$$



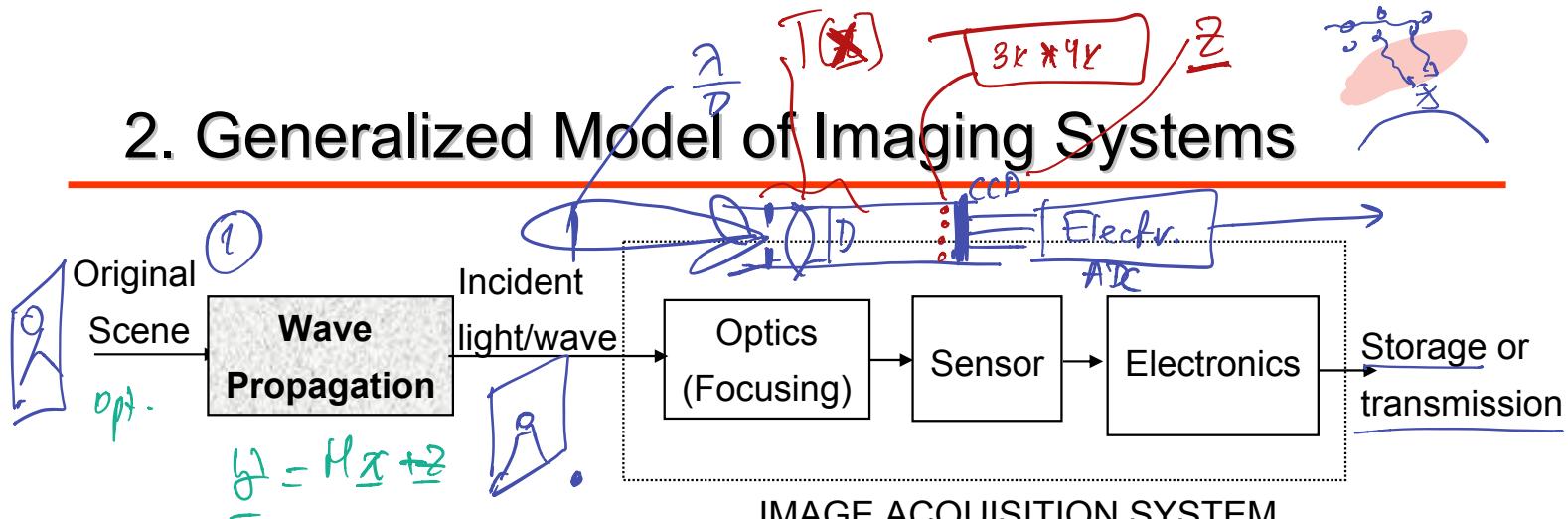
where  $\underline{\theta} = (w_1, w_2, \dots, w_L)$

## 2. Generalized Model of Imaging Systems

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- The degradations may have many causes, but two types of degradations are often dominant:
  - blurring  $T[\cdot]$
  - noise  $\zeta$
- **Blurring** is a form of bandwidth reduction of the image due to the imperfect image formation process or due to the physical constraints of the imaging system design.
- **Noise** is a form of random image corruption that may be introduced by:
  - ① the transmission medium (both imaging and communication);
  - ② the recording medium (film grain noise, failures in CCDs);
  - ③ measurement and quantization errors.

## 2. Generalized Model of Imaging Systems

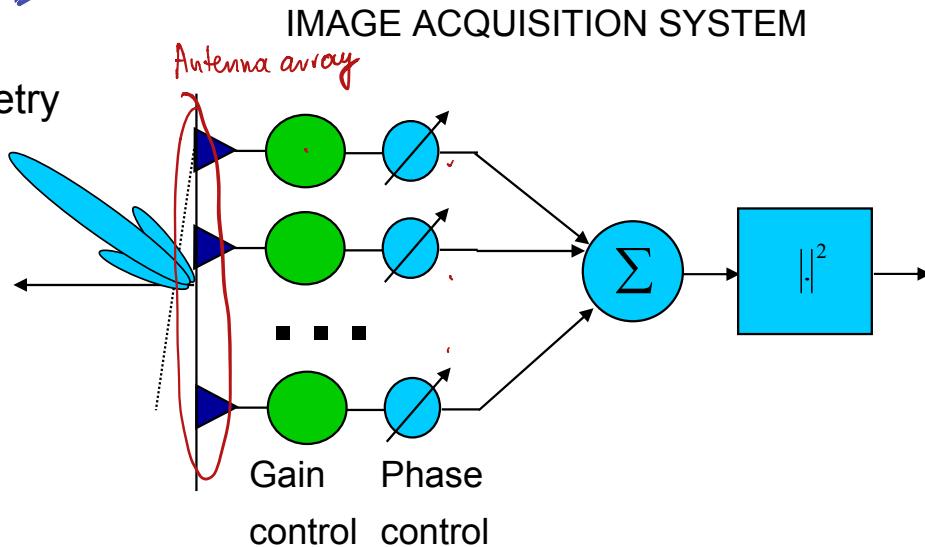


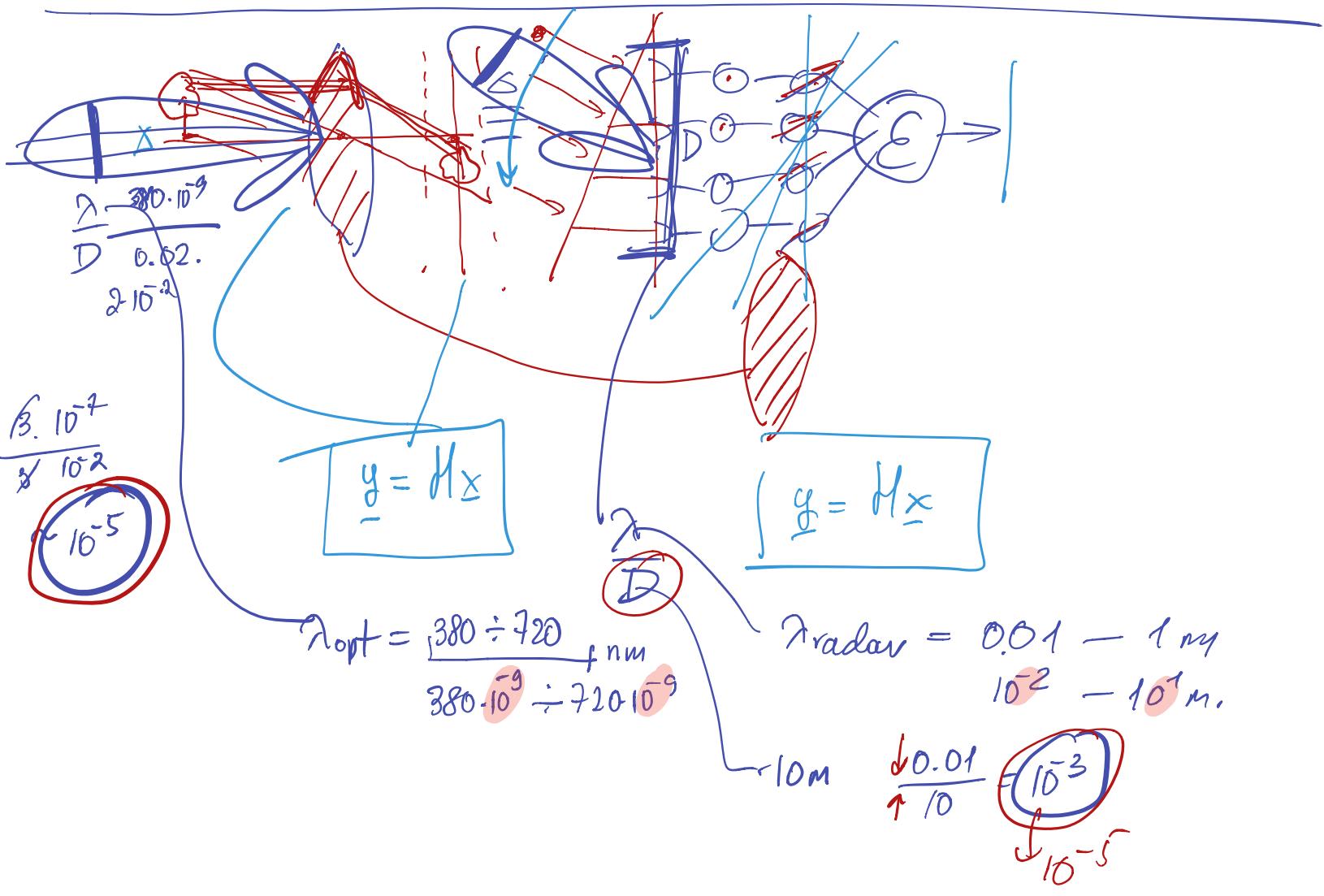
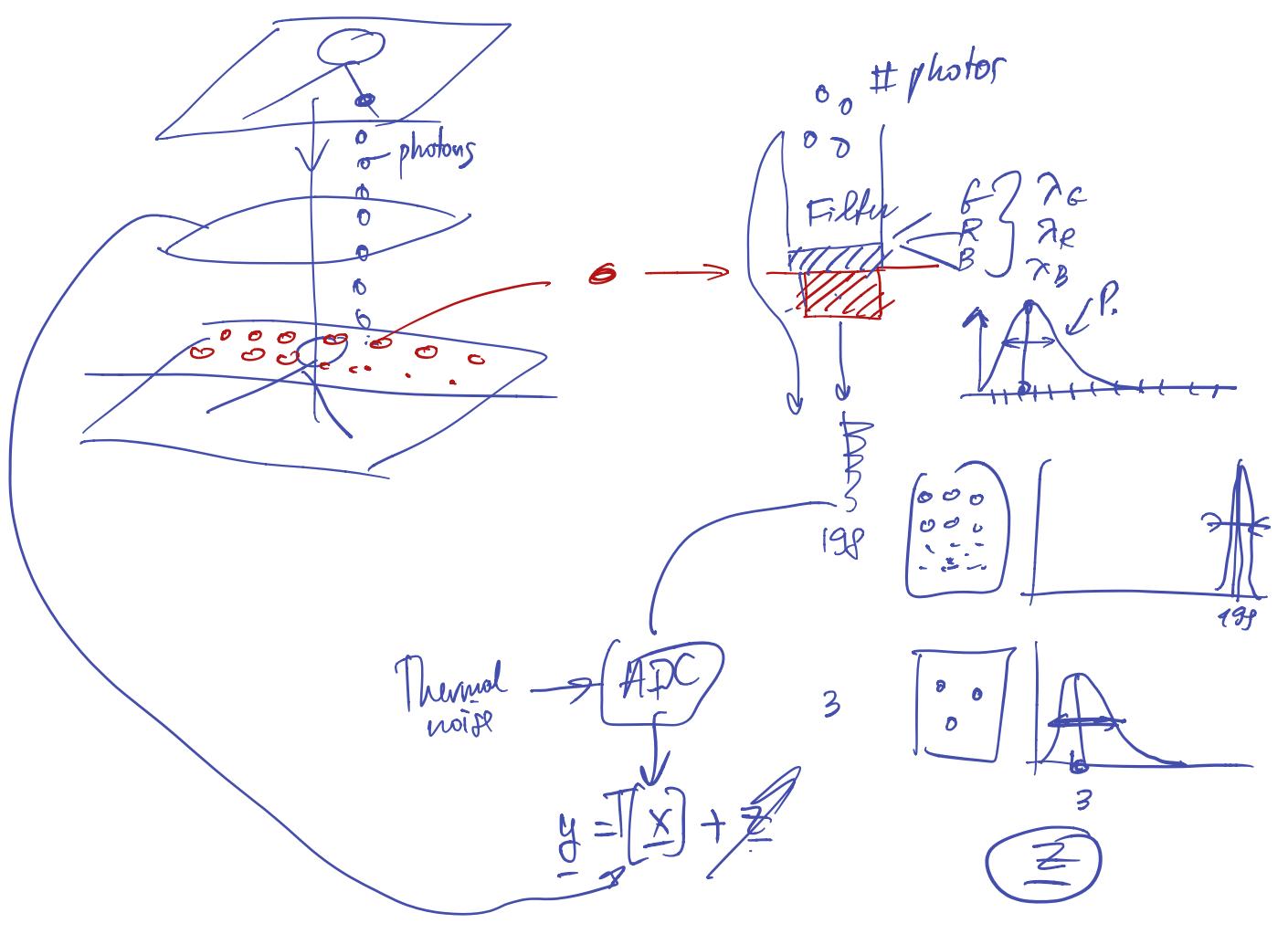
② Radar and Radiometry

Imaging Systems

Radar.

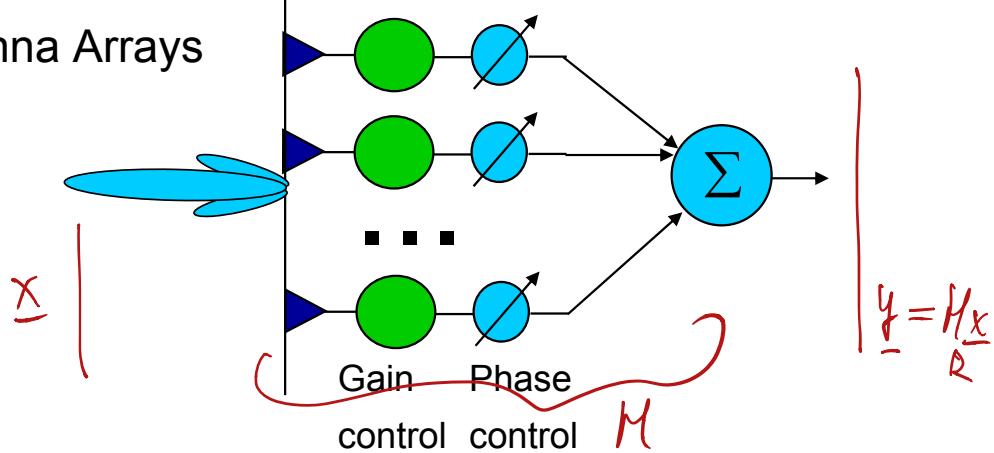
$$y = Hx + z$$



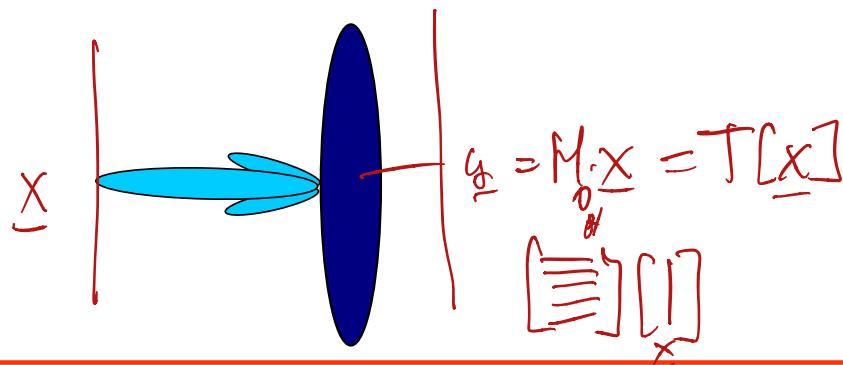


## 2. Antenna Arrays and Lens: Analogy

Antenna Arrays

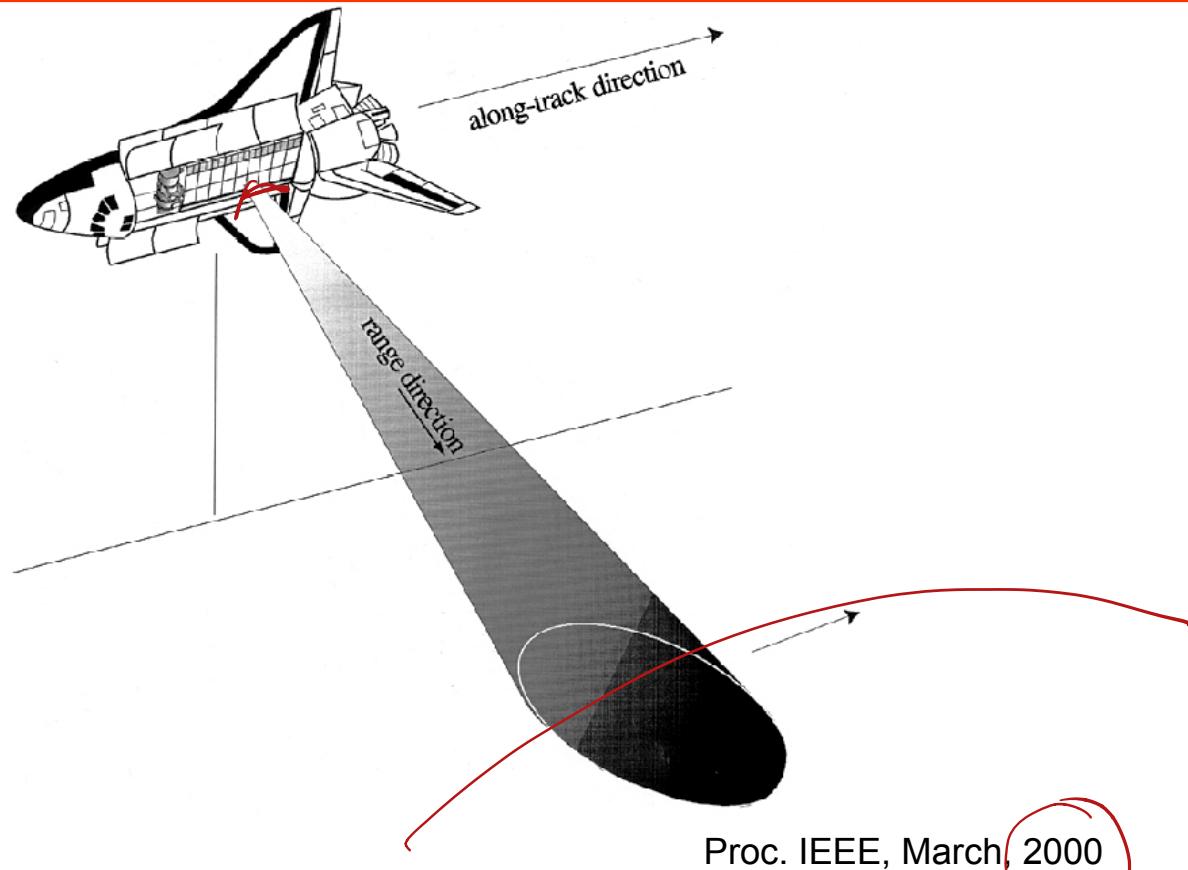


Lens

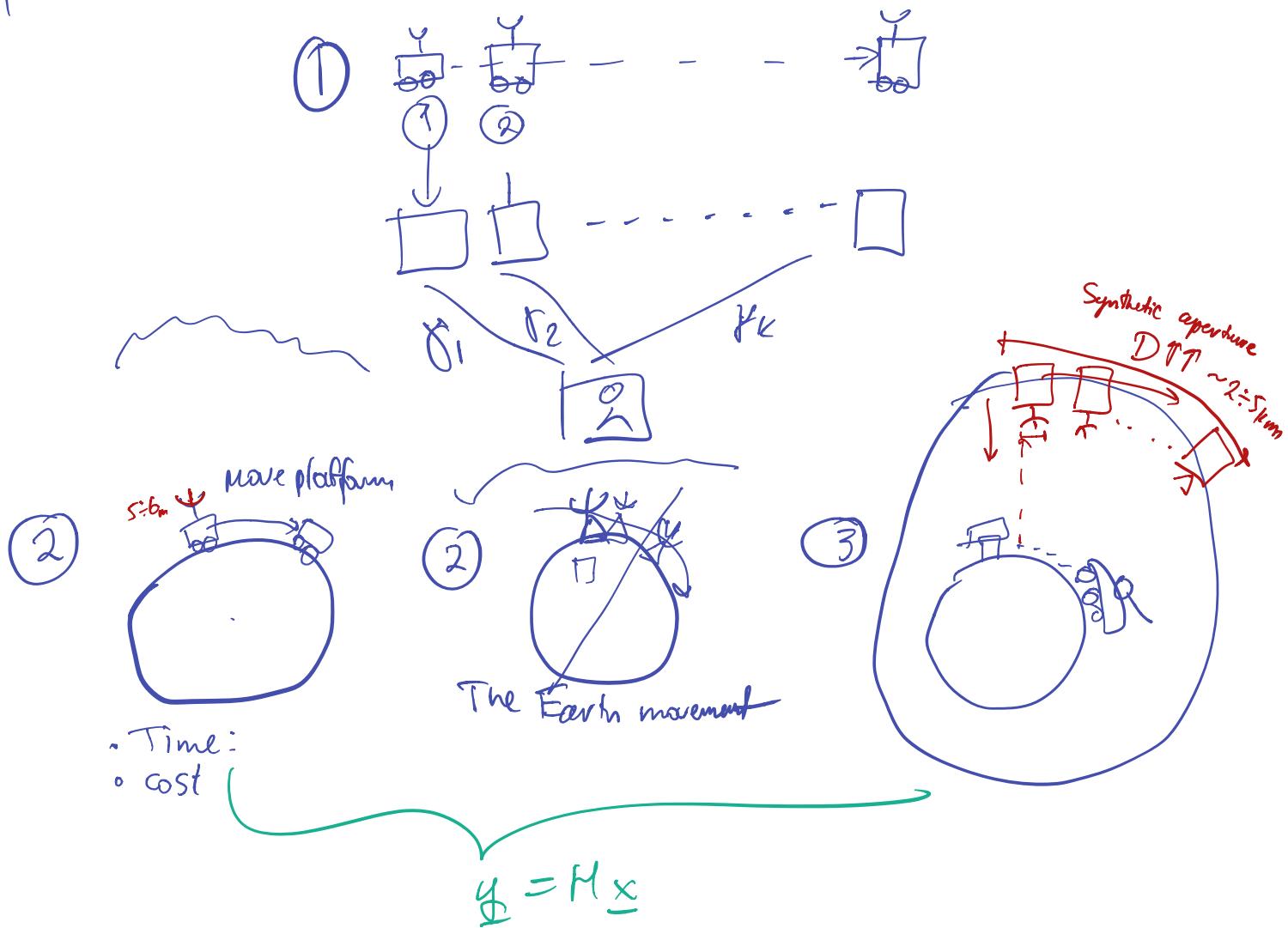
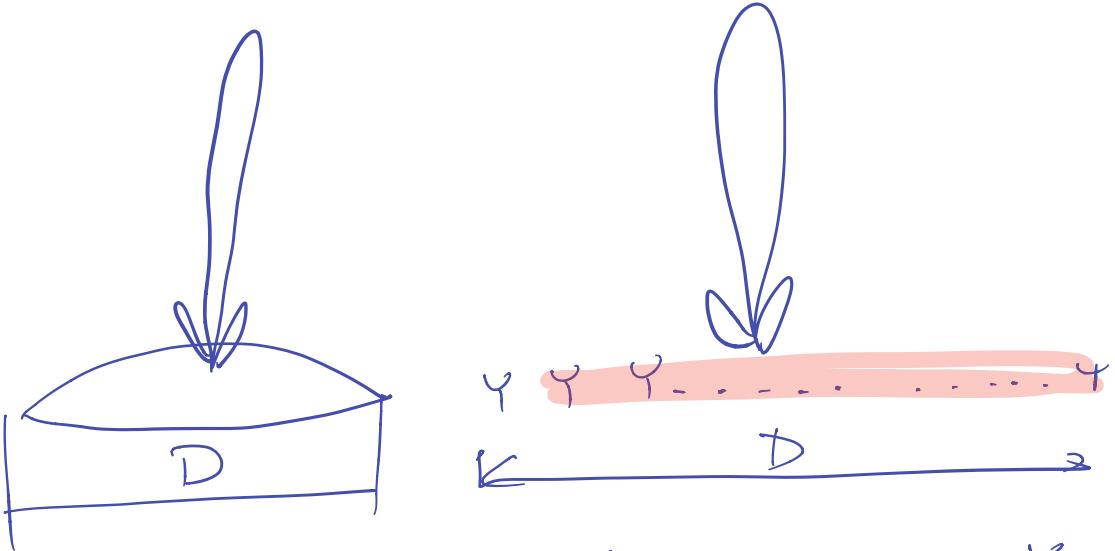


## 2. Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR)

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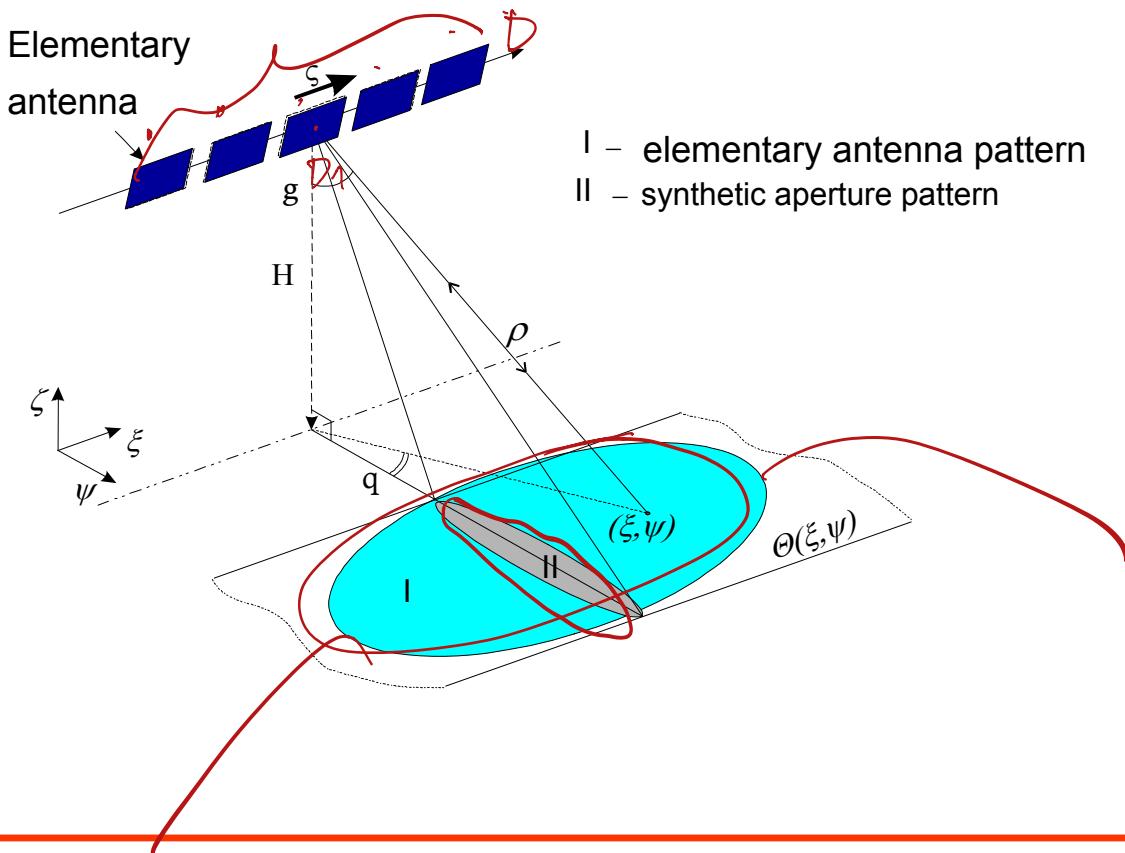


Proc. IEEE, March, 2000



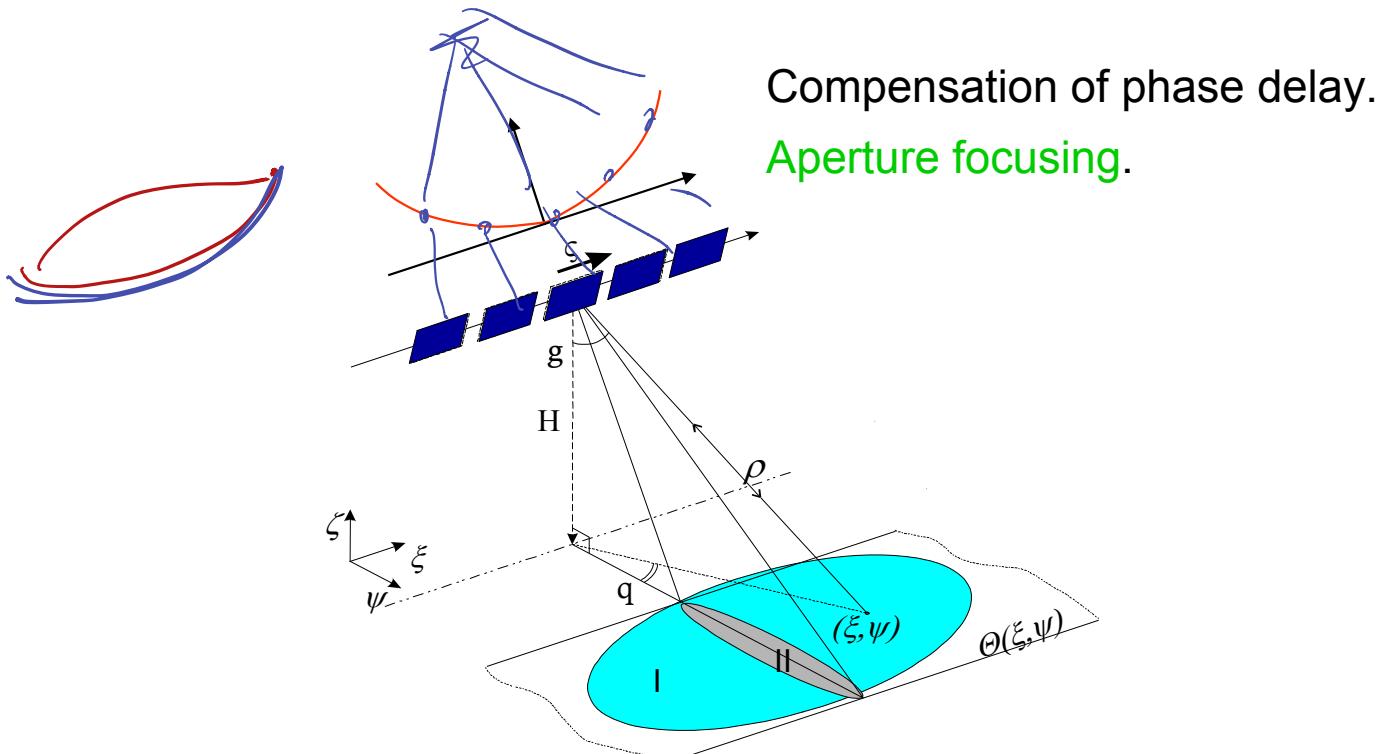
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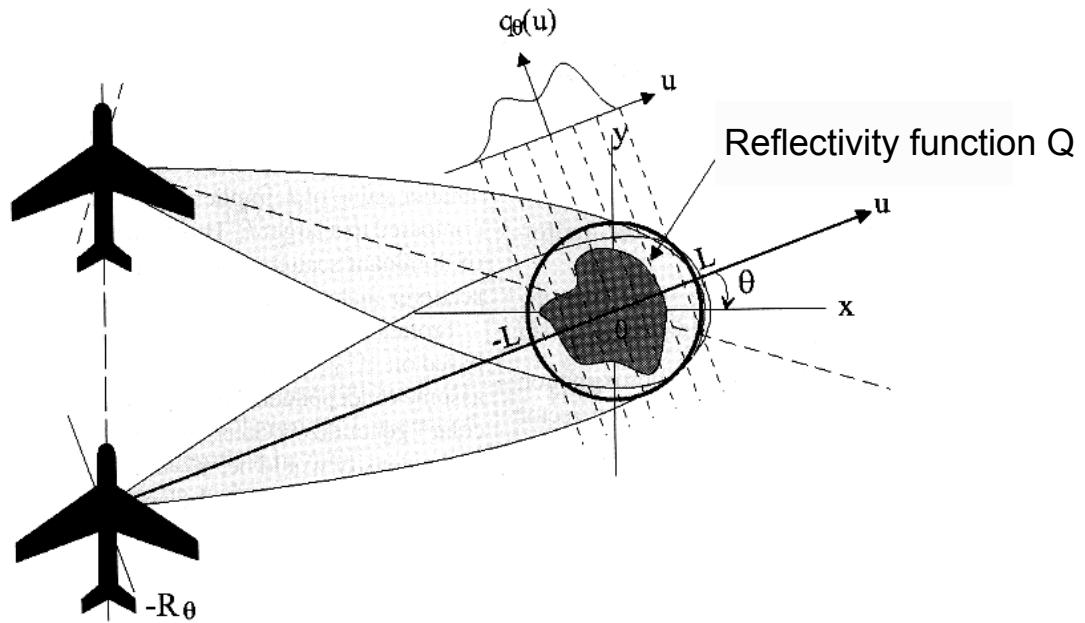
## 2. Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR): Focusing

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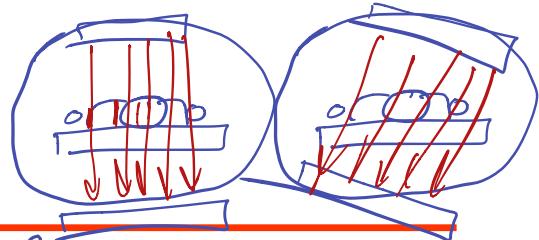
## 2. Spotlight-mode SAR

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$$\underline{g} = \underline{H} \underline{x}$$

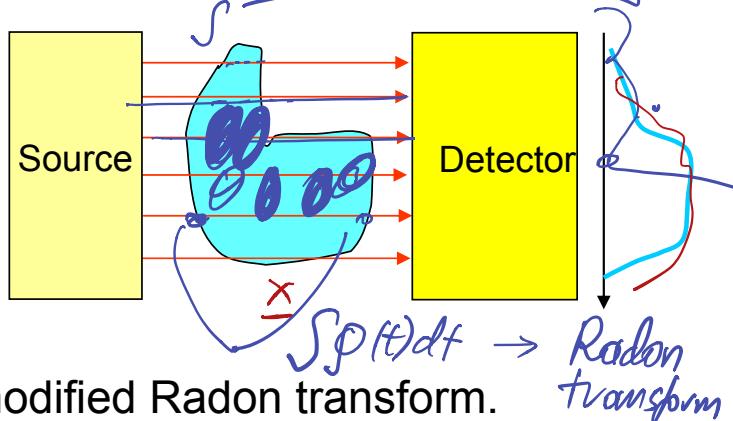


## 2. Tomography and Geophysics

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### Applications:

$$\underline{g} = \underline{H} \underline{x}$$



- Image Reconstruction: Radon or modified Radon transform.

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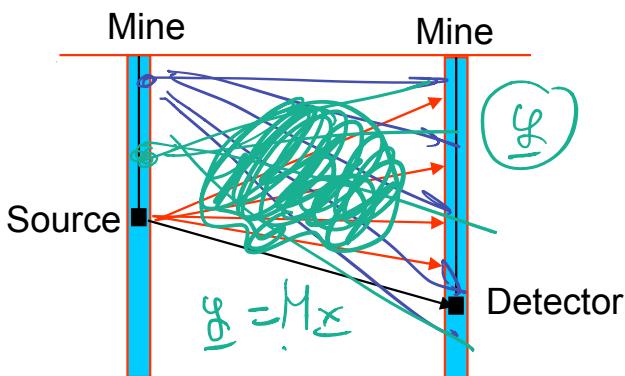
### ■ Limiting factors:

- finite time of observation
- limited number of projections

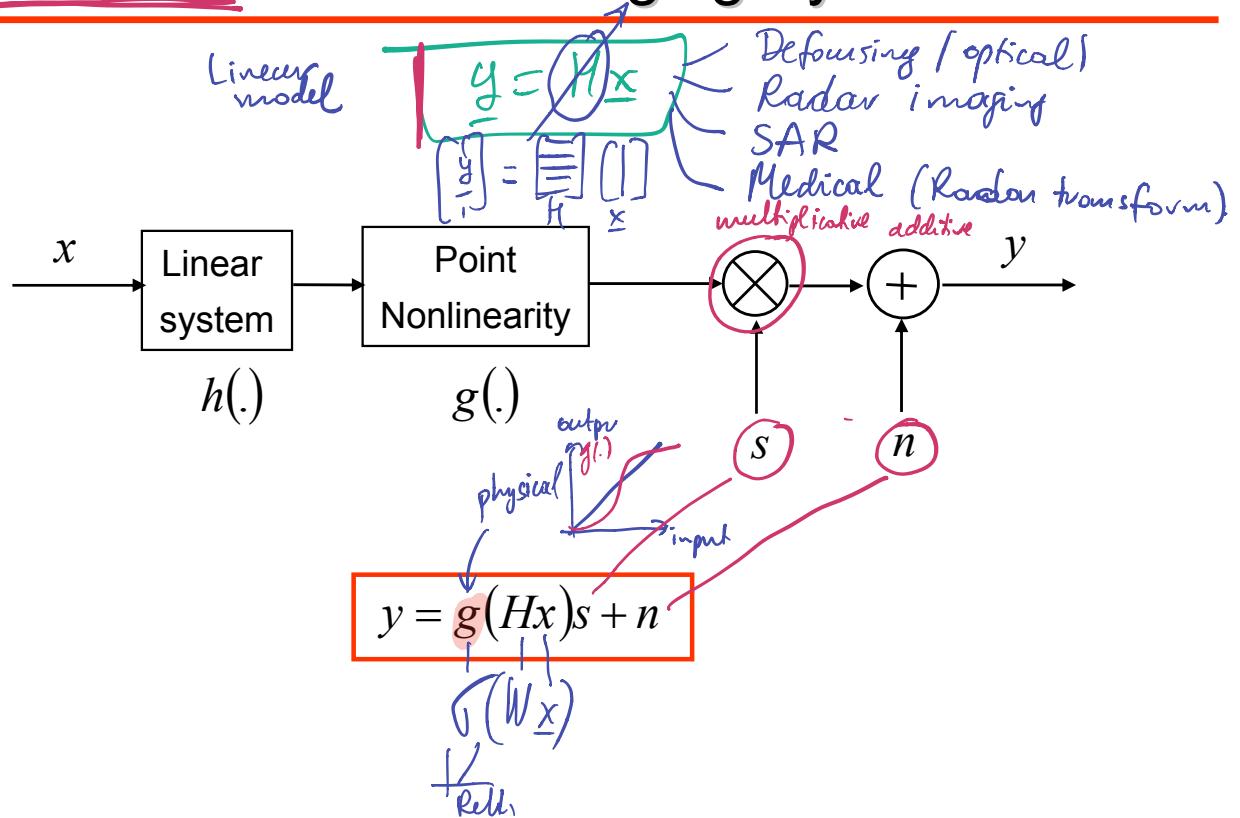
### ■ Noise:

- Poisson
- Mixture noise

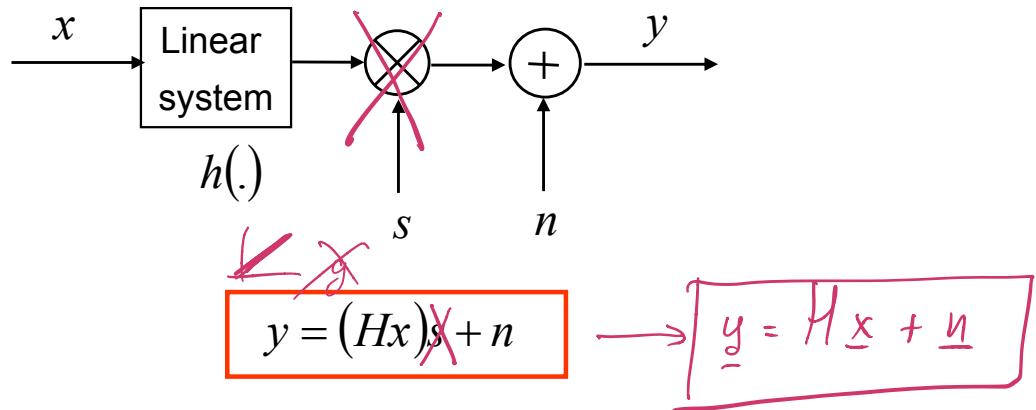
$$\underline{y} = \underline{H} \underline{x}$$



## 2. Generalized Model of Imaging Systems

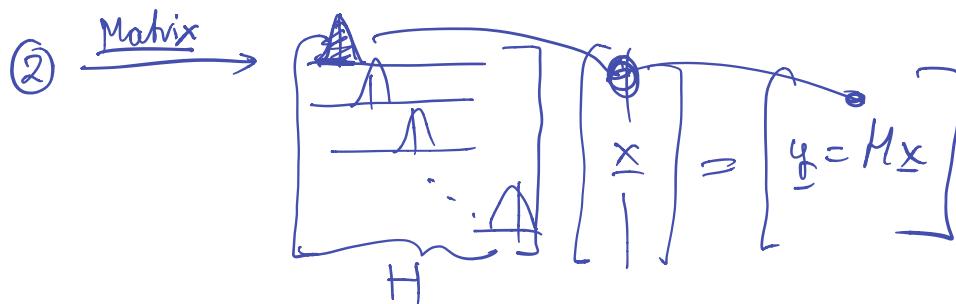
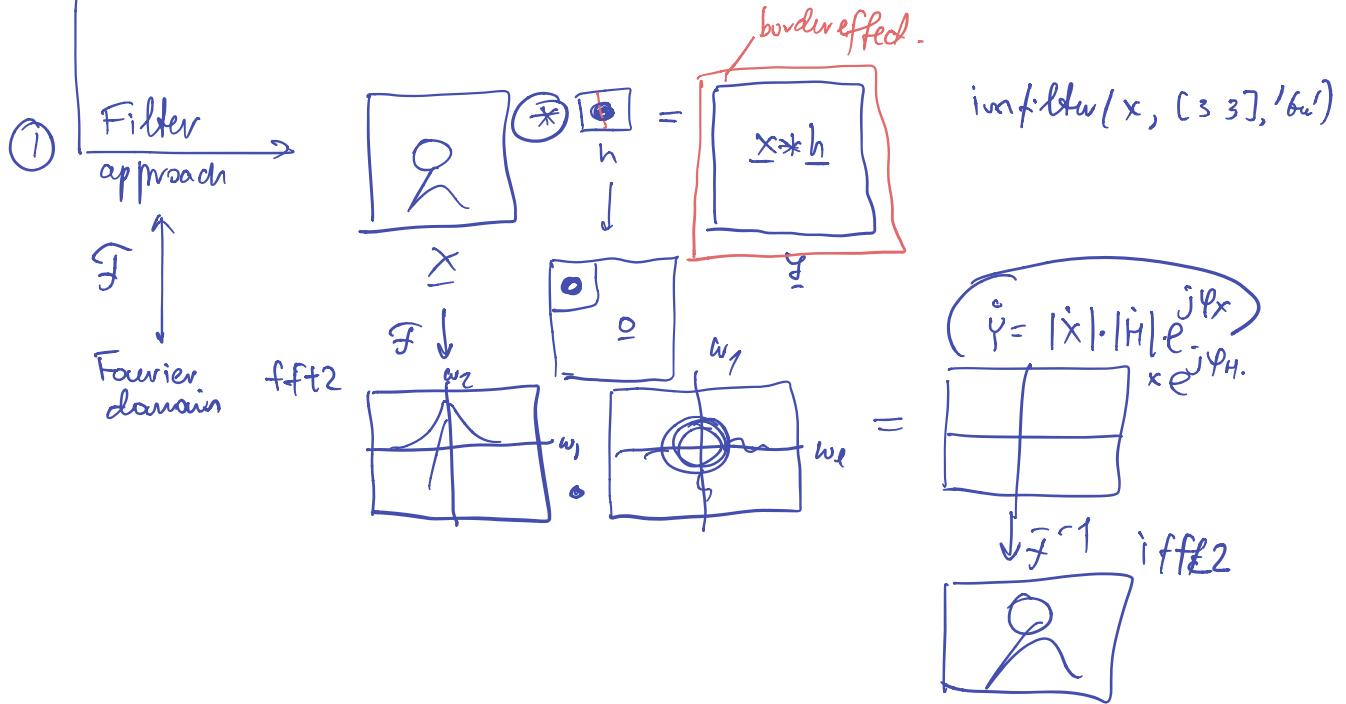
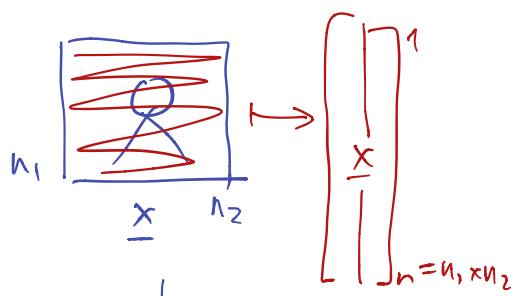


## 2. Linear Model of Imaging Systems

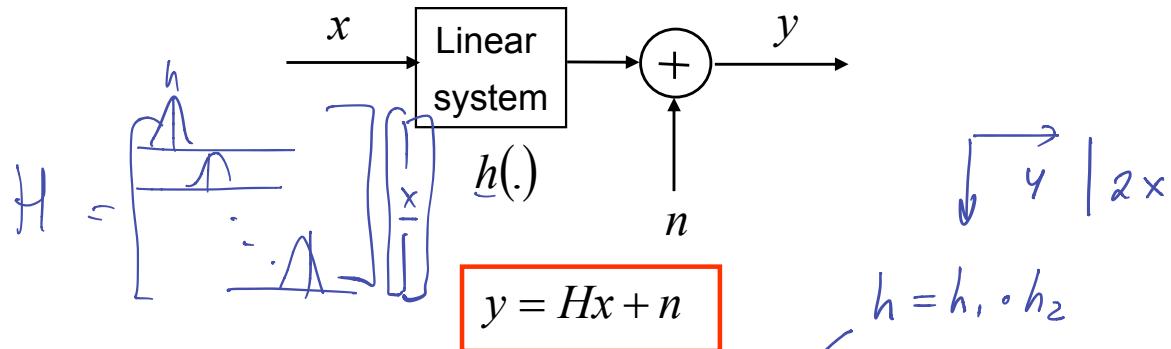


2-D convolution:  $y(t_1, t_2) = \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(t_1 - t'_1, t_2 - t'_2) x(t'_1, t'_2) dt'_1 dt'_2 + n(t_1, t_2) =$

$$= h(t_1, t_2) * x(t_1, t_2) + n(t_1, t_2)$$
$$\sum \sum$$



## 2. Imaging Systems: Discrete Formulation

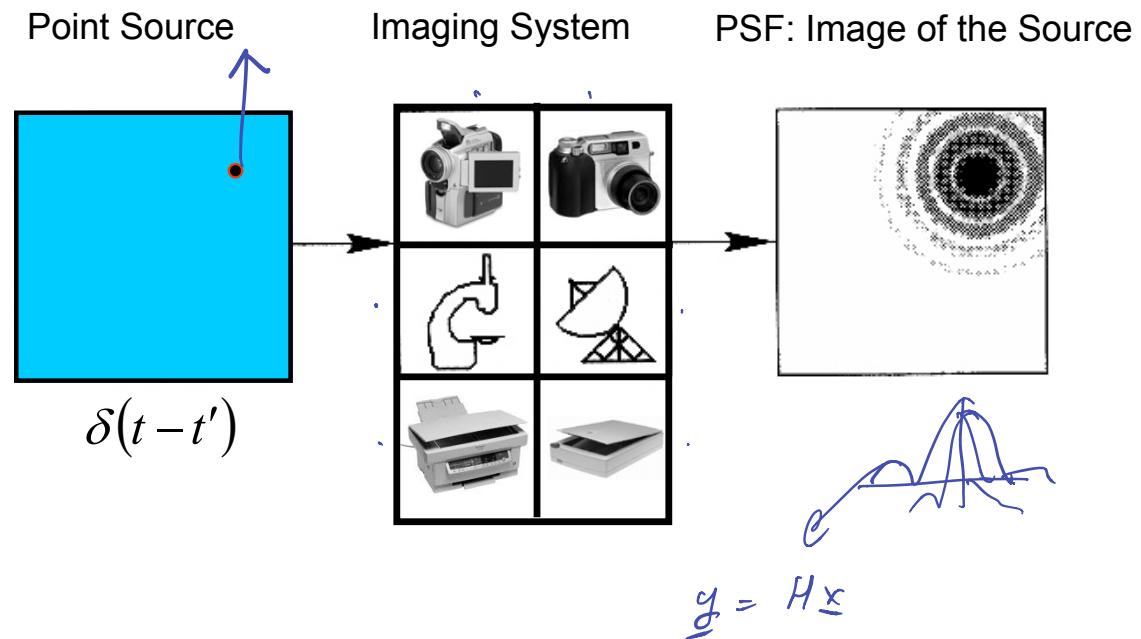


2-D convolution:  $y(n_1, n_2) = \sum_{k_1=0}^{N-1} \sum_{k_2=0}^{M-1} h(n_1 - k_1, n_2 - k_2) x(k_1, k_2)$

Frequency Domain:  $\underline{Y(m_1, m_2)} = H(m_1, m_2) X(m_1, m_2)$

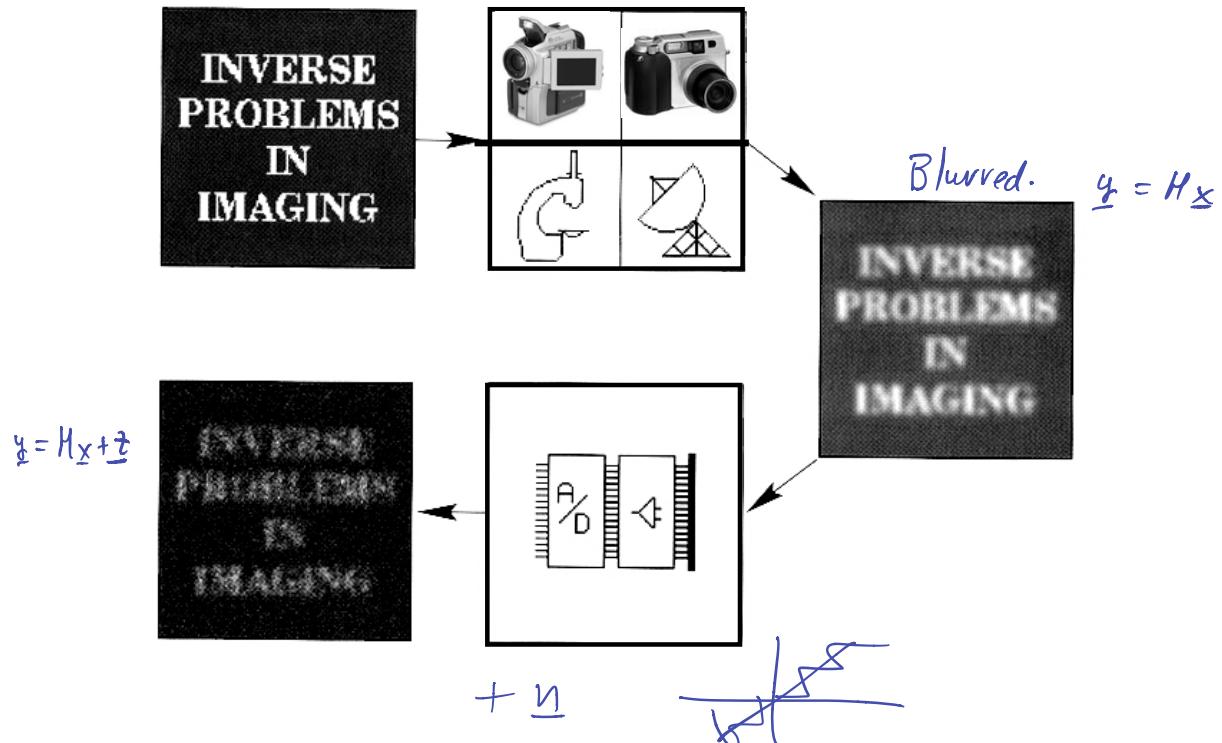
## 2. Imaging Systems

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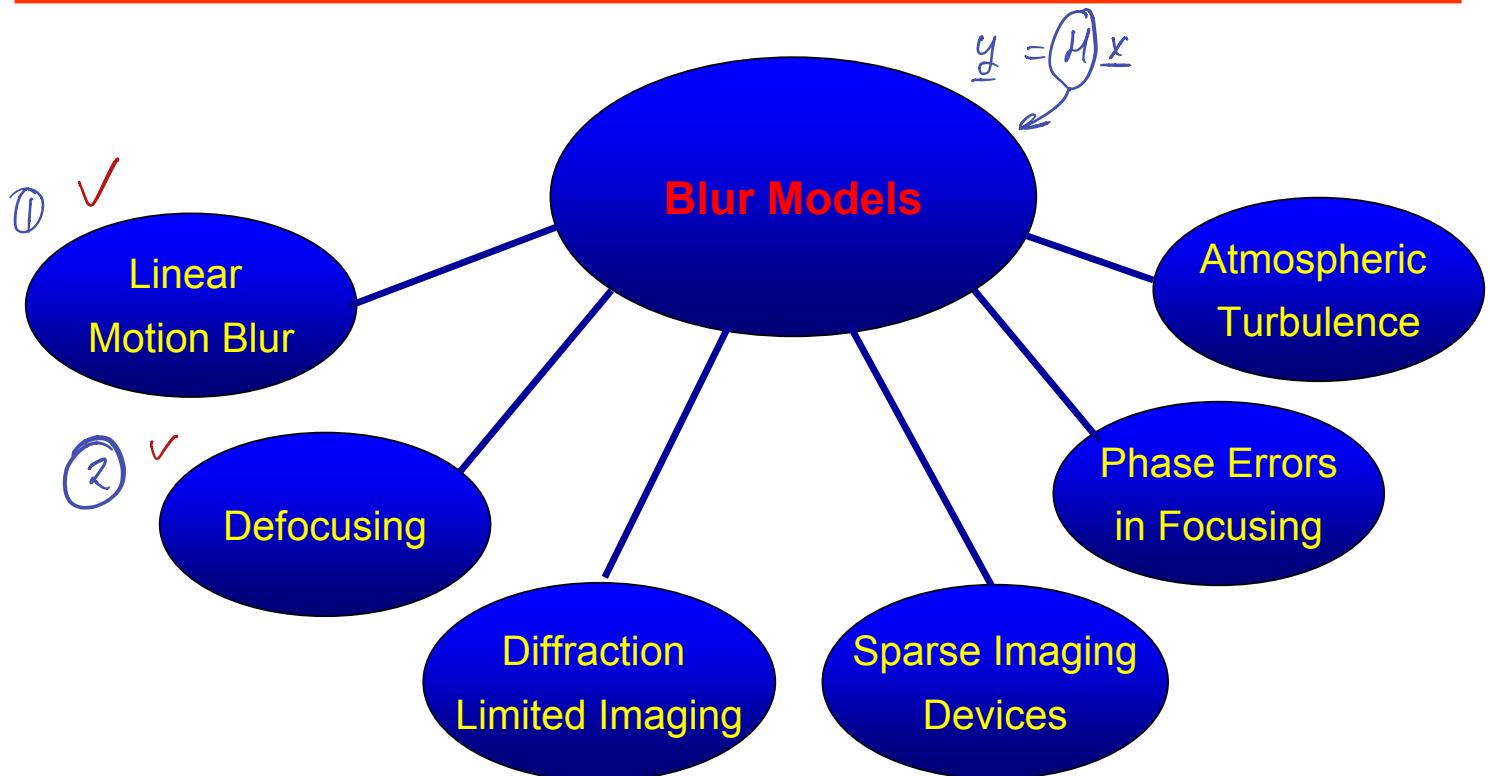
## 2. Imaging Systems

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### 3. Classification of Blurring

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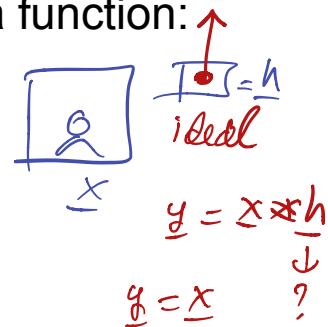




### 3. No Blur: Ideal Imaging System

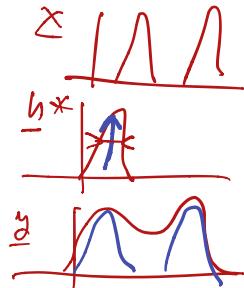
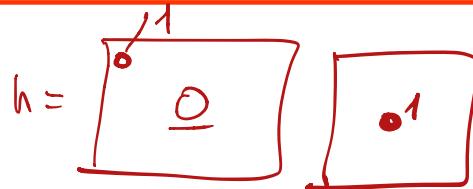
- The PSF of ideal imaging system is a Dirac delta function:

$$h(t_1, t_2) = \delta(t_1, t_2)$$



- The spatially discrete PSF is a unit pulse:

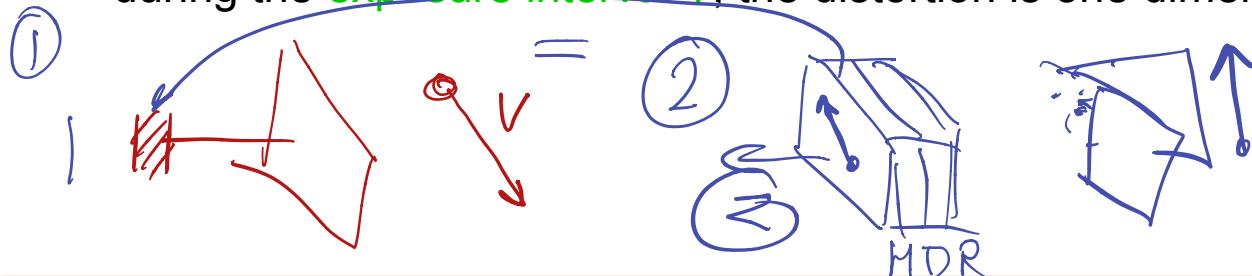
$$h(n_1, n_2) = \delta(n_1, n_2) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n_1 = n_2 = 0, \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$



### 3. Linear Motion Blur

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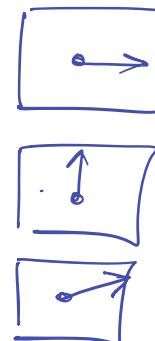
- Linear motion blur is due to relative motion of the object and the imaging device during exposure.
- This can be in the form of a translation, a rotation, a sudden change of scale, or some combinations of these (affine transforms).
- When the scene to be recorded translates relative to the camera at a **constant velocity  $V$**  under some angle  $\phi$  with the horizontal axis during the **exposure interval  $T$** , the distortion is one dimensional.



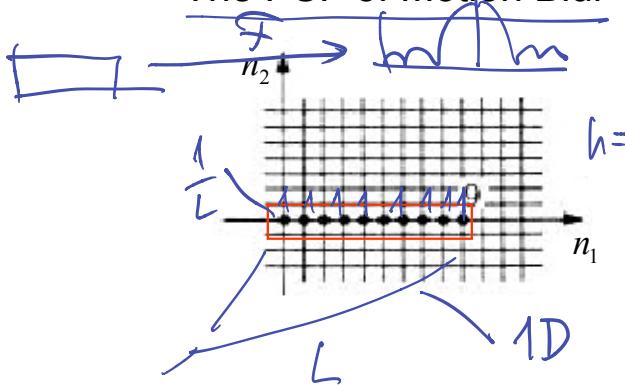
### 3. Linear Motion Blur

- The length of motion is  $L=TV$ . The PSF is given by:

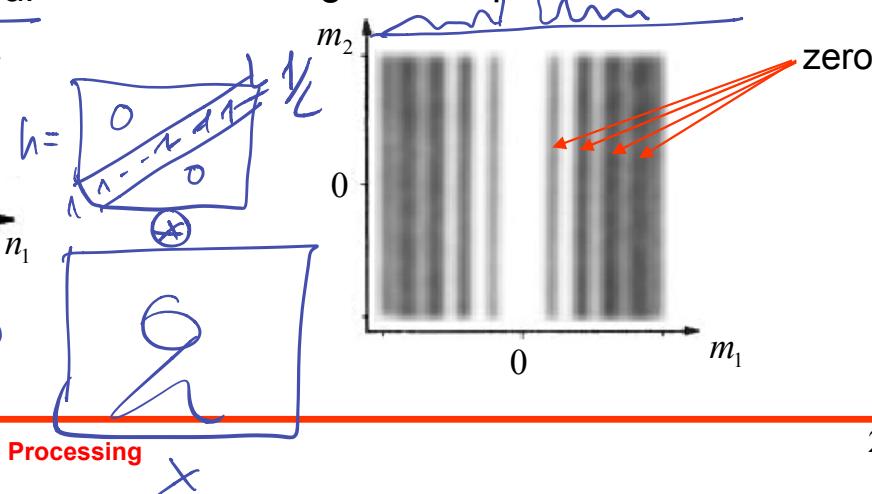
$$h(t_1, t_2; L, \phi) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{L}, & \text{if } \sqrt{t_1^2 + t_2^2} \leq \frac{L}{2}, \frac{t_1}{t_2} = -\tan \phi, \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$



The PSF of Motion Blur



The Magnitude Spectrum of Motion Blur



### 3. Linear Motion Blur: Horizontal

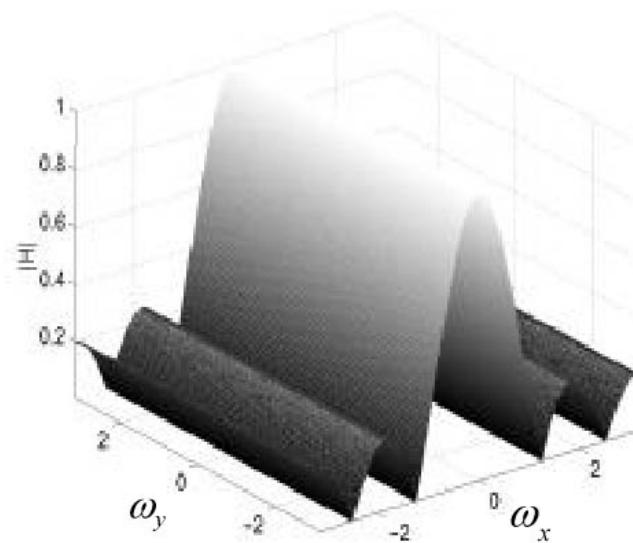
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Cameraman blurred horizontally

Filter impulse response

$$\frac{1}{5} (1 \ 1 \ [1] \ 1 \ 1)$$



### 3. Linear Motion Blur: Vertical

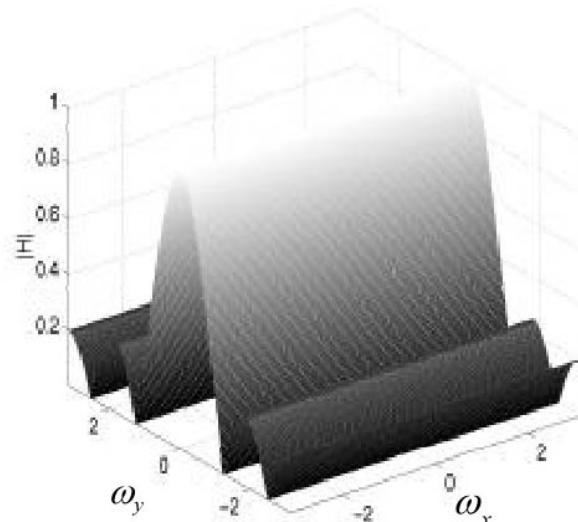
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Cameraman blurred vertically

Filter impulse response

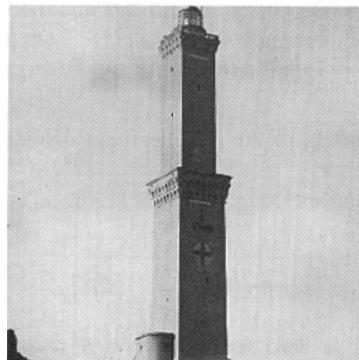
$$\frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ [1] \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



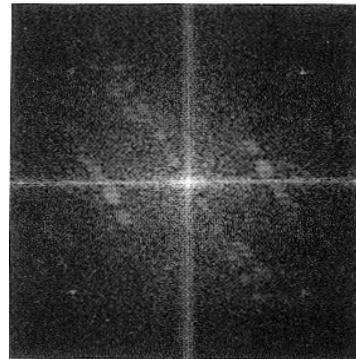
### 3. Linear Motion Blur

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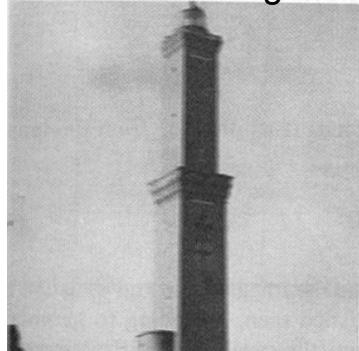
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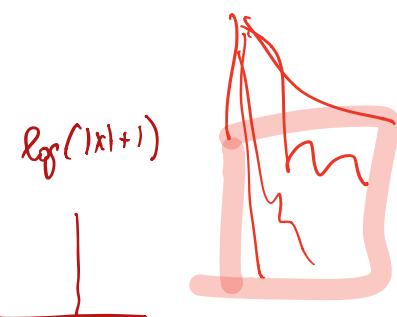
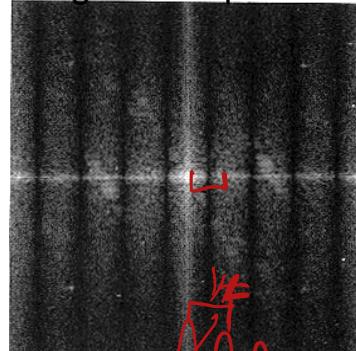
Magnitude Spectrum



Blurred Image



Magnitude Spectrum



### 3. Out-of-Focus Blur: Defocusing

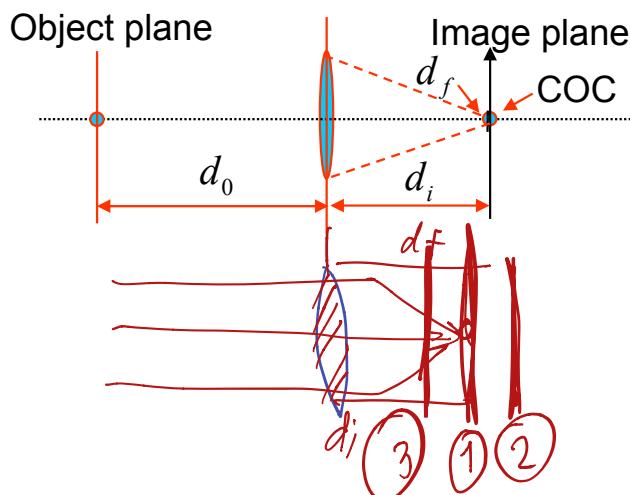
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- When a camera images a 3-D scene onto a 2-D image plane, some parts of the scene are in focus while other parts are not.
- If the aperture of the camera is circular, the image of any point source is a small disc, known a **circle of confusion** (COC).
- The degree of defocus (diameter of the COC) depends on:
  - the focal length  $d_f$
  - the aperture size
  - the distance between camera and object  $d_0$ .

### 3. Out-of-Focus Blur: Defocusing

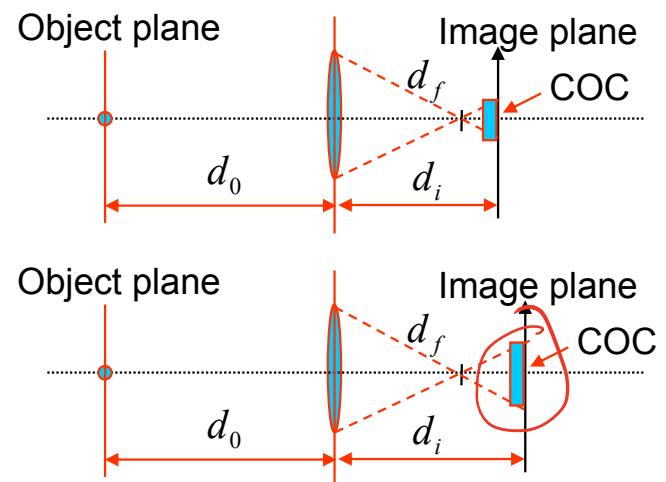
No defocusing: COC is point

$$\frac{1}{d_0} + \frac{1}{d_i} = \frac{1}{d_f}$$

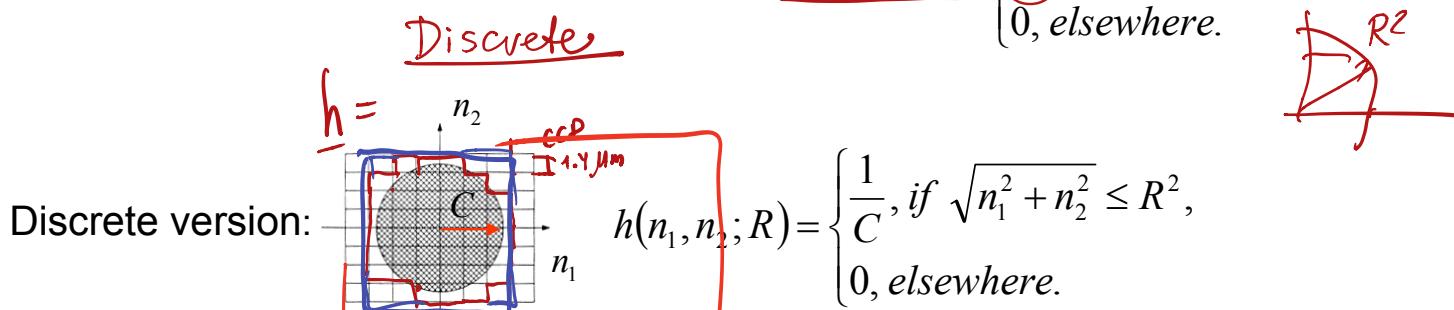
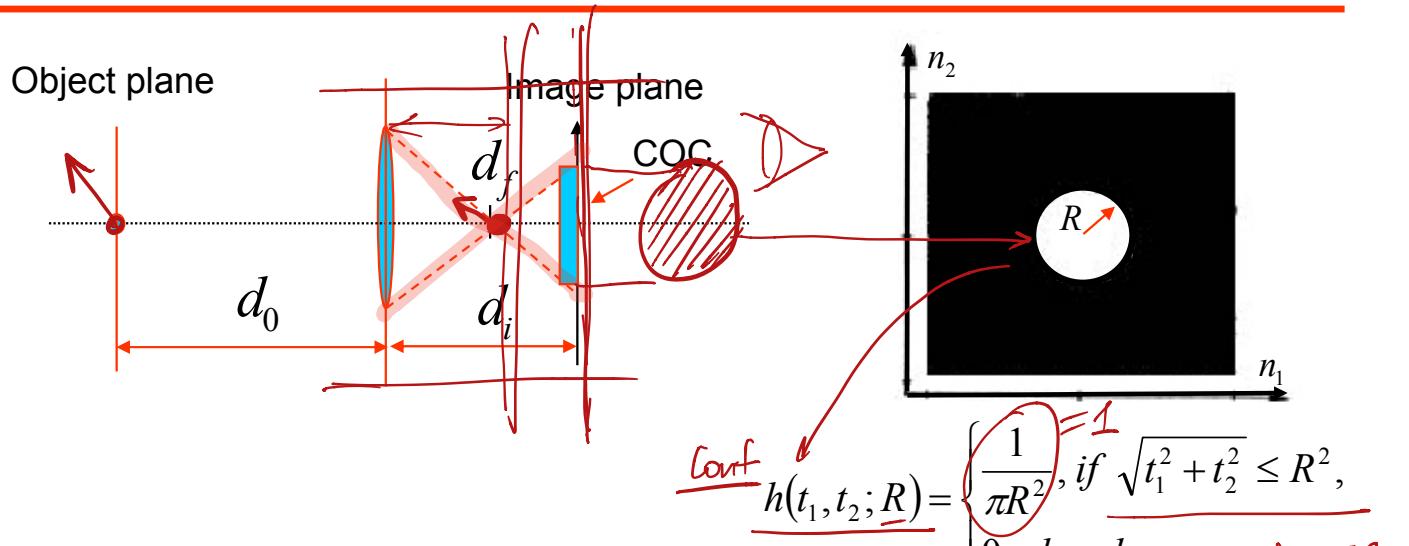


Defocusing: COC is disc

$$\frac{1}{d_0} + \frac{1}{d_i} \neq \frac{1}{d_f}$$



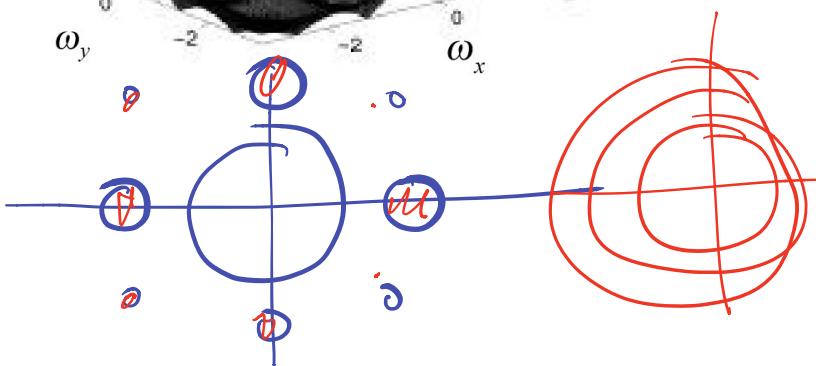
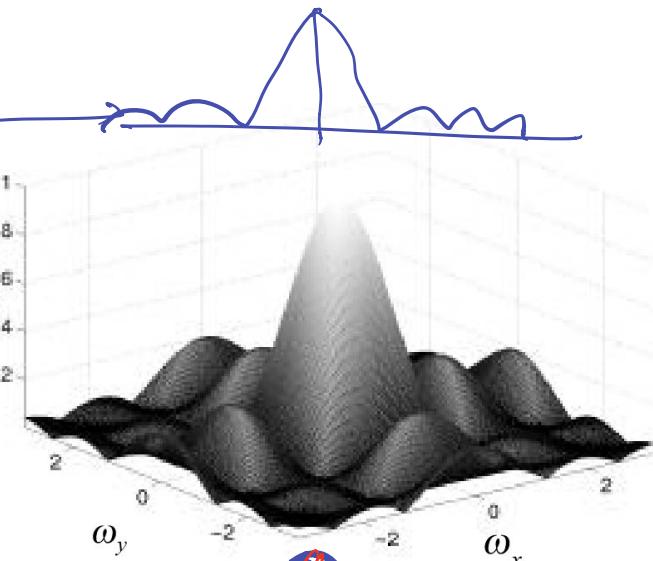
### 3. Out-of-Focus Blur: 2-D



### 3. Out-of-Focus Blur: Approximation

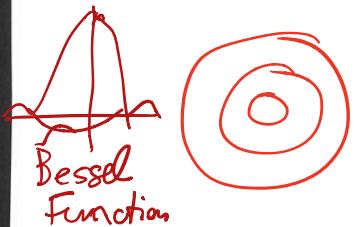
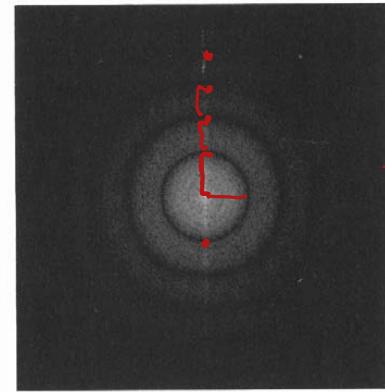
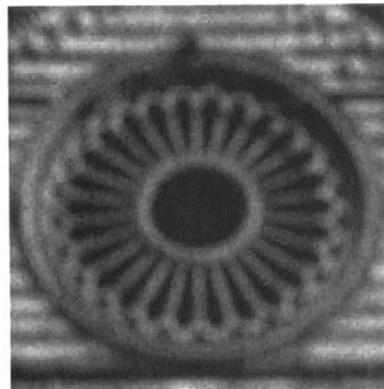
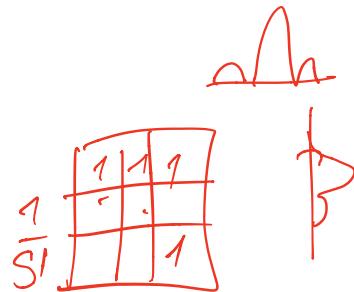
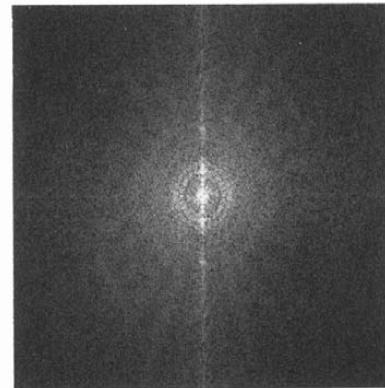
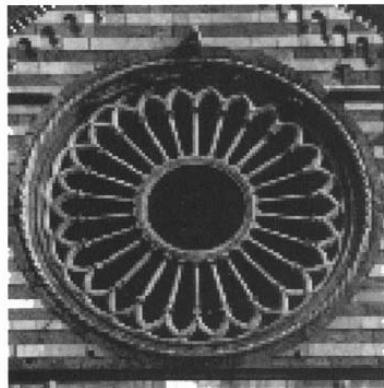
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"approximation!"



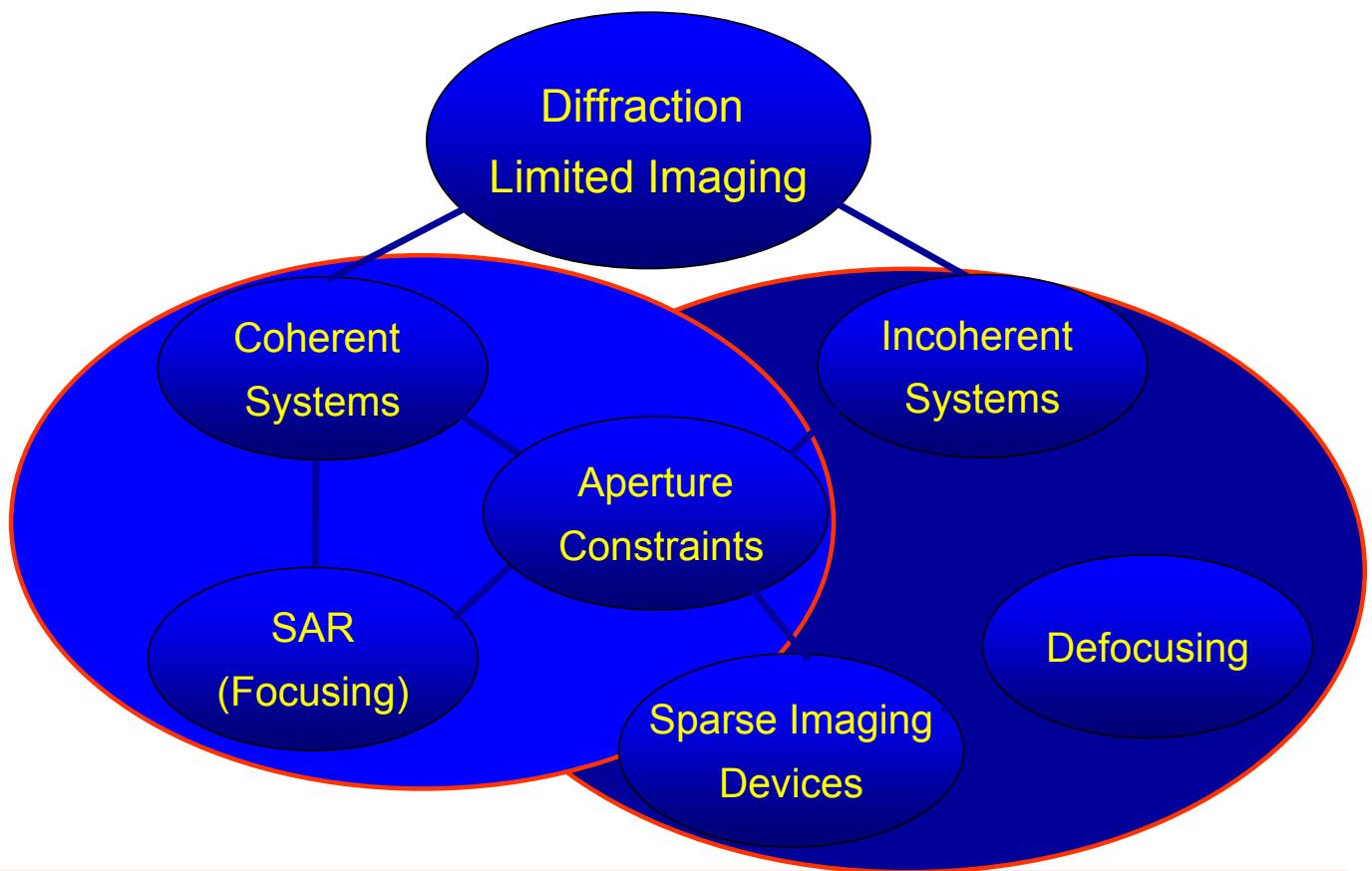
### 3. Out-of-Focus Blur: Circular Aperture

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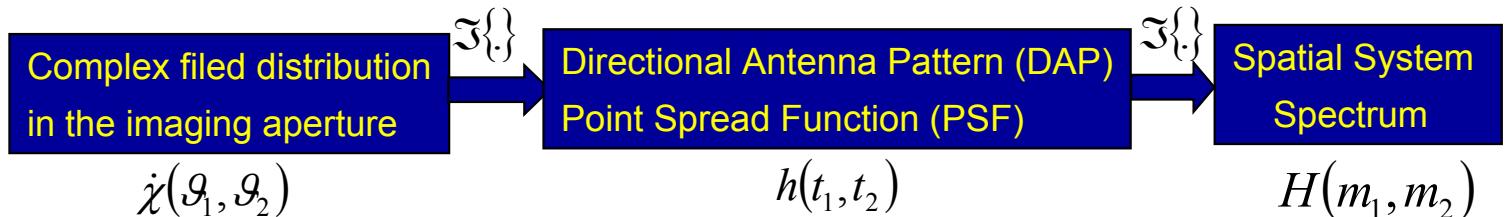
### 3. Diffraction Limited Imaging Systems

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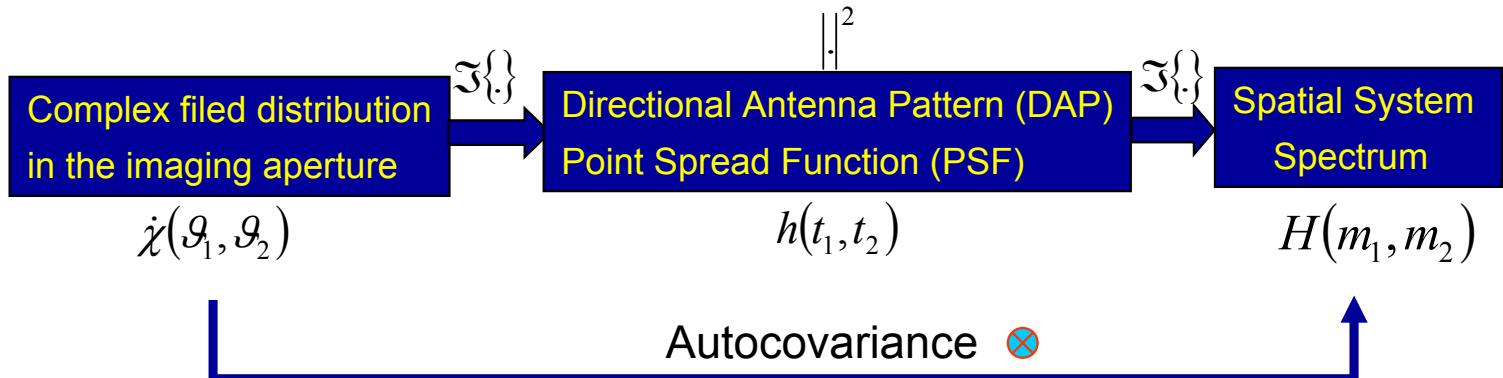


### 3. Imaging Systems: Fundamental Connections

General Case (Coherent Imaging Systems)

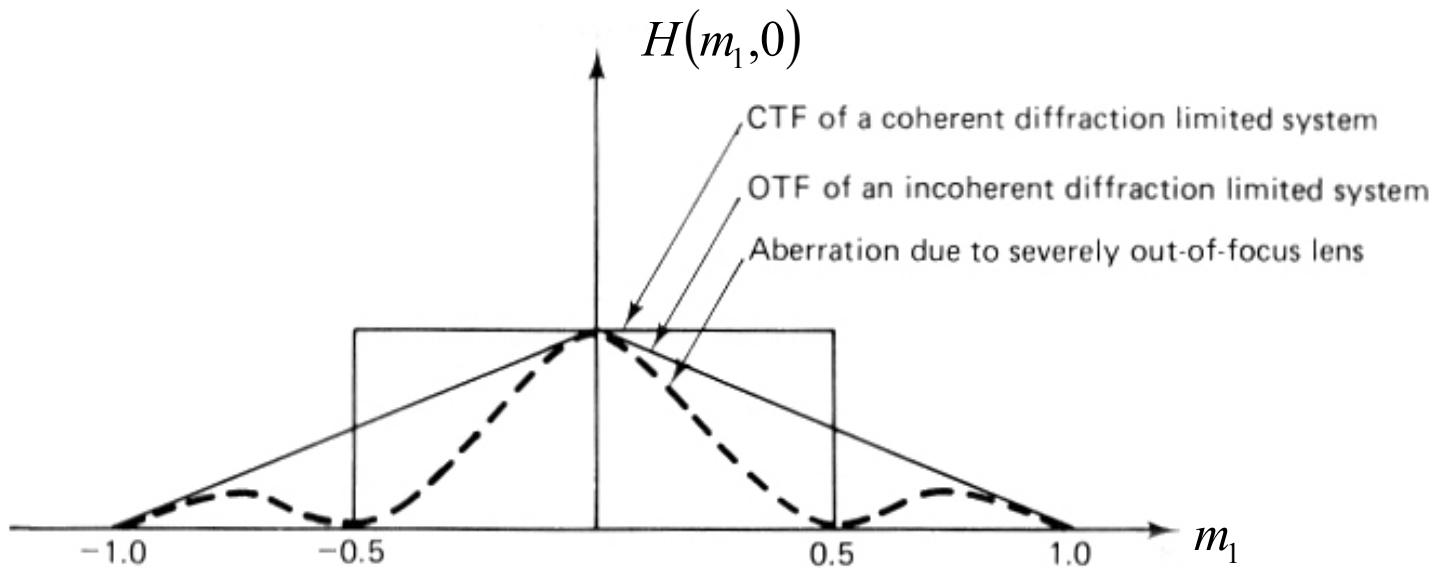


Incoherent Imaging Systems



### 3. Generalized Model of Imaging Systems

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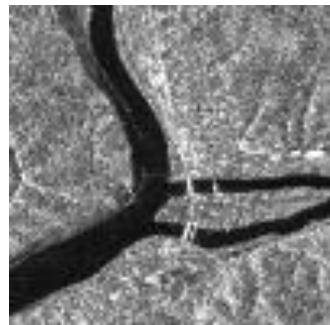
CTF - the coherent transfer function (spatial spectrum of coherent imaging systems)

OTF - the optical transfer function (spatial spectrum of coherent imaging systems)

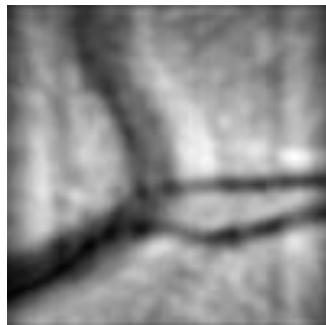
### 3. Generalized Model of Imaging Systems

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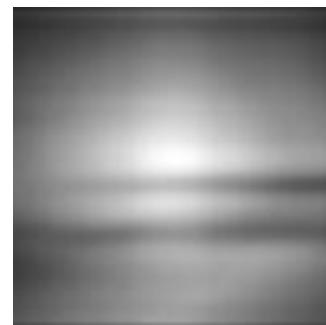
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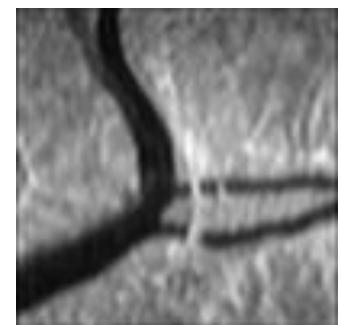
Scattering surface



SAR image with 5  
elements.



SAR image with 100  
elements without  
quadratic delay  
compensation.

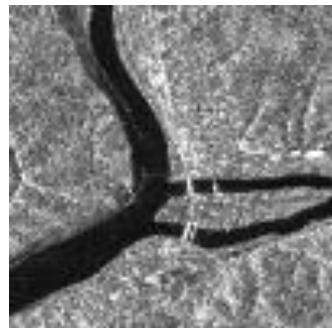


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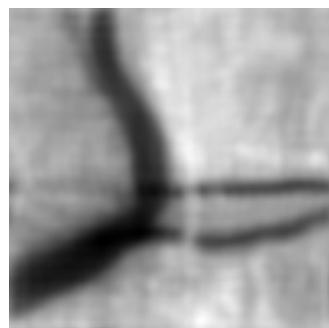
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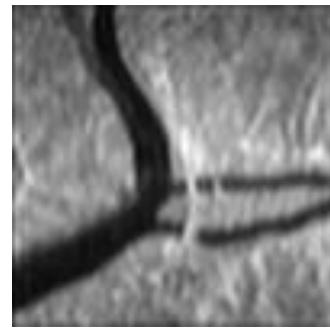
#### Incoherent Imaging (Radiometry Imaging)



Scattering surface

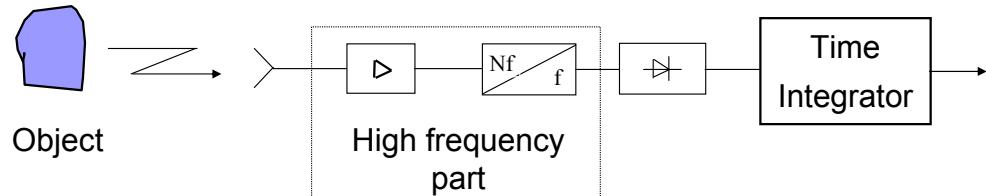


Radiometry image with 100 antenna elements and zero-phase CFD.



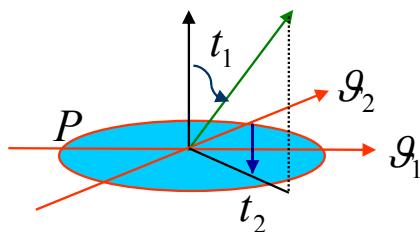
SAR image with 100 elements with quadratic delay compensation.

### 3. Incoherent Imaging Systems



Directional Antenna Pattern

$$h(t_1 - t'_1, t_2 - t'_2) = \left| \iint_P \dot{\chi}(\vartheta_1, \vartheta_2) \cdot \exp\left(\frac{2\pi \cdot ((t_1 - t'_1)\vartheta_1 + (t_2 - t'_2)\vartheta_2)}{\lambda}\right) d\vartheta_1 d\vartheta_2 \right|^2$$



$P$  - antenna aperture

$\dot{\chi}(\vartheta_1, \vartheta_2)$  - complex field (current) distribution (CFD)  
in the antenna aperture

$\lambda$  - wavelength

### 3. Incoherent Imaging Systems

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Complex field distribution (CFD) in the antenna aperture (lens)

$$\dot{\chi}(\vartheta_1, \vartheta_2) = |\dot{\chi}(\vartheta_1, \vartheta_2)| e^{-j\phi_I(\vartheta_1, \vartheta_2)}$$

■ Role of the CFD magnitude:

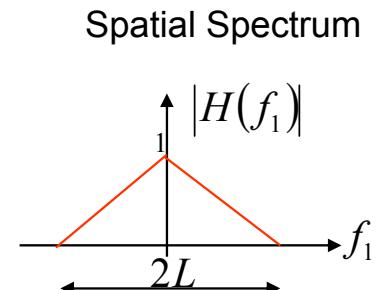
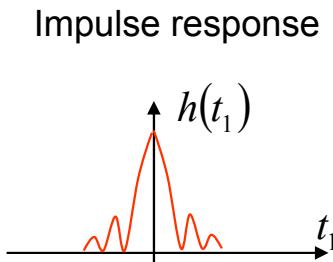
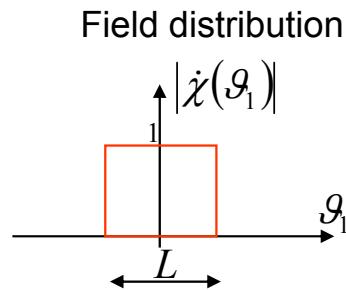
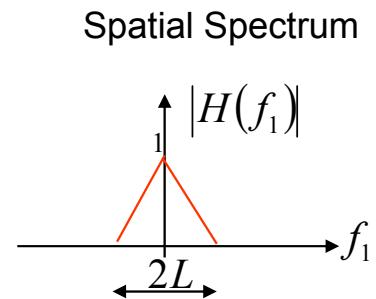
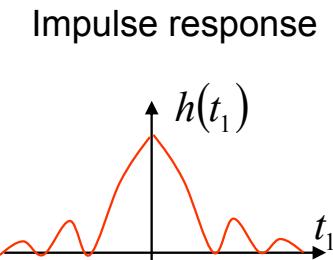
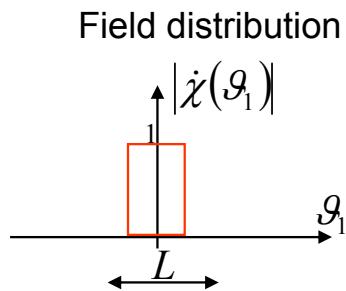
- physical size of antenna determines the width of the directional antenna pattern (PSF);
- the shape of the magnitude (CFD) determines the level of side lobes and their relationships.

■ Role of the CFD phase:

- the phase distribution determines the focusing properties of the imaging system (focused system has the min width of the PSF);
- beam scanning of the antennas;
- phase aberrations in the imaging systems.

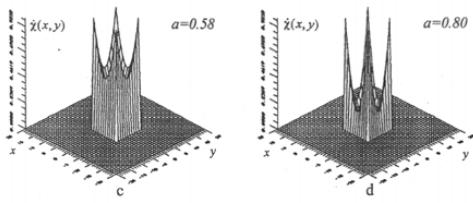
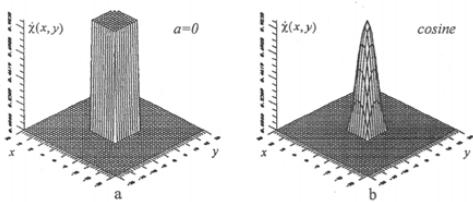
### 3. Incoherent Imaging Systems: CFD Magnitude

Assume zero-phased or focussed imaging system  $|\dot{\chi}(\vartheta_1, \vartheta_2)| = |\dot{\chi}(\vartheta_1, \vartheta_2)|$

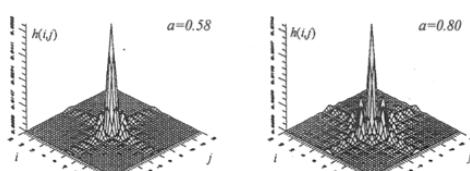
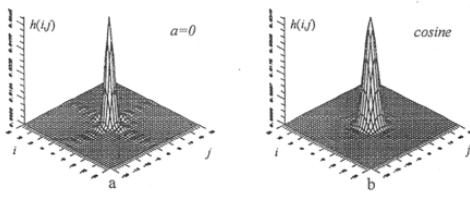


### 3. Incoherent Imaging Systems: CFD Magnitude

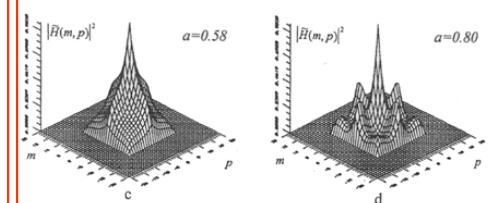
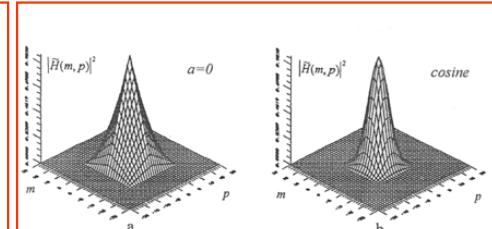
Magnitudes of CFD



Directional Antenna Patterns

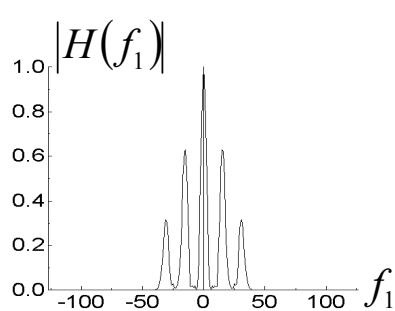
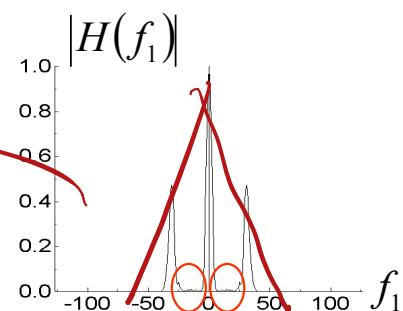
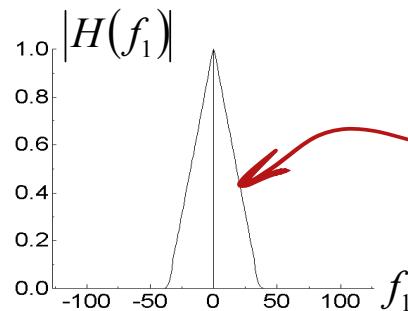
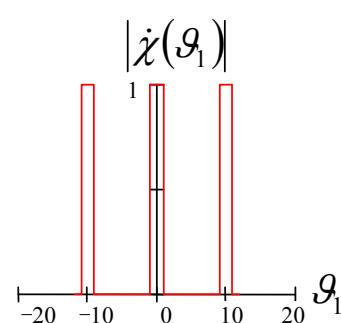
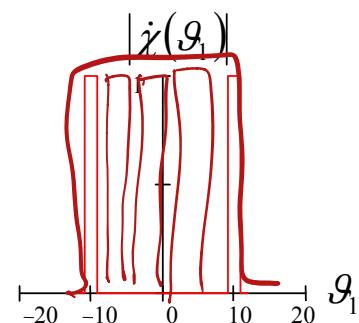
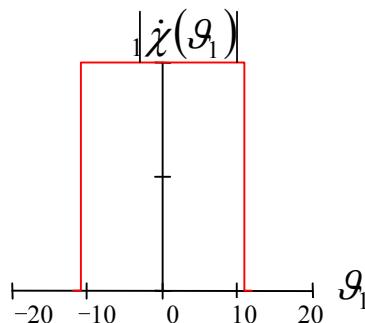


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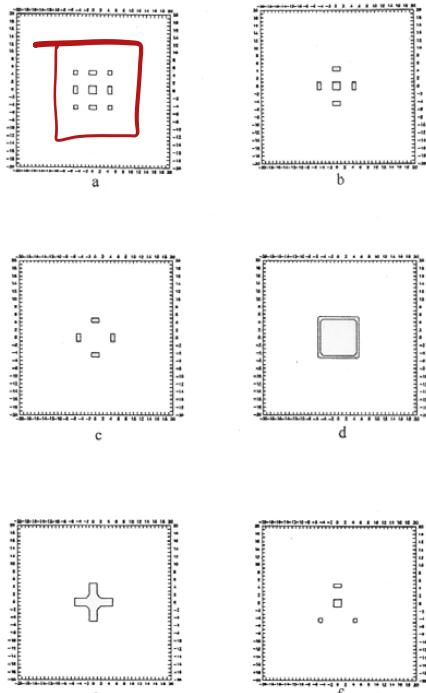
### 3. Sparse Incoherent Imaging Systems

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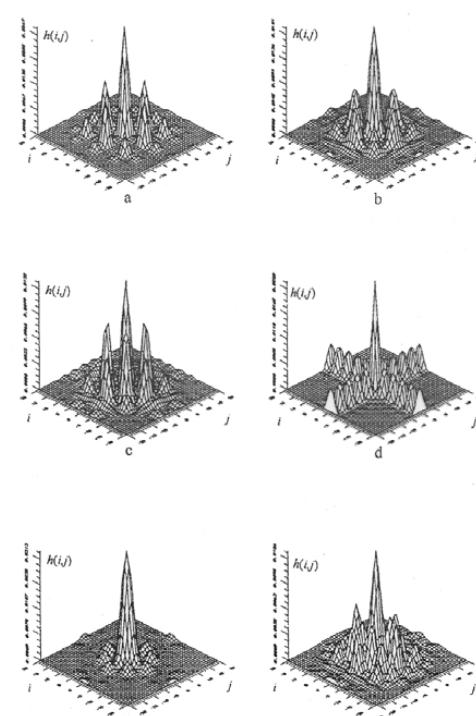


### 3. Sparse Incoherent Imaging Systems: CFD Magnitude

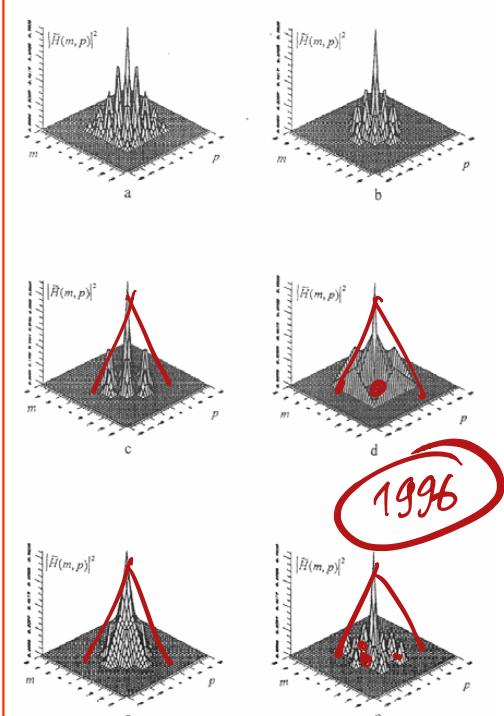
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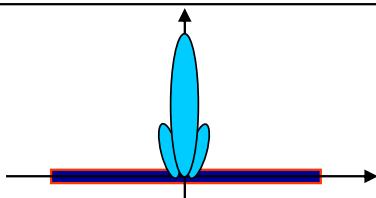
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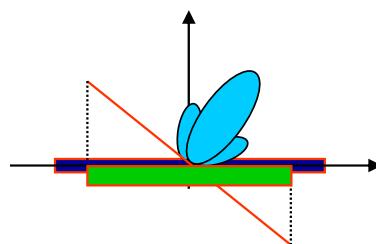
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### 3. Incoherent Imaging Systems: CFD Phase

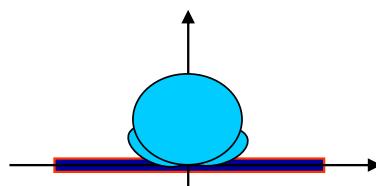


**Zero-phased or focused system:**  
the PSF has the min width and oriented in perpendicular direction to antenna aperture.



**Linear phase delay along the aperture:**

- beam scanning (radar mode);
- equivalent antenna size is decreased;
- the beam becomes broader.

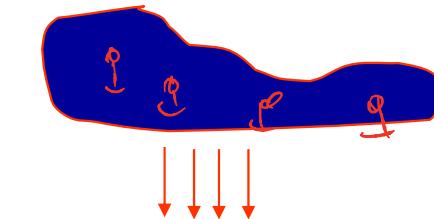


**Quadratic phase delay along the aperture (model of defocusing):**

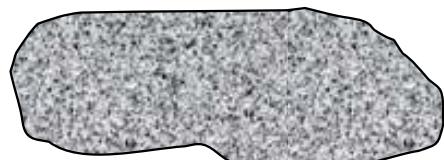
- the SAR mode;
- the system becomes unfocused;
- the focusing is done on very far zone.

### 3. Atmospheric Turbulence Blur

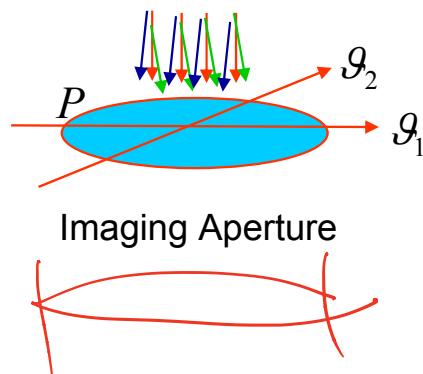
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Object



Wave propagation media  
with time (spatial) varying  
parameters

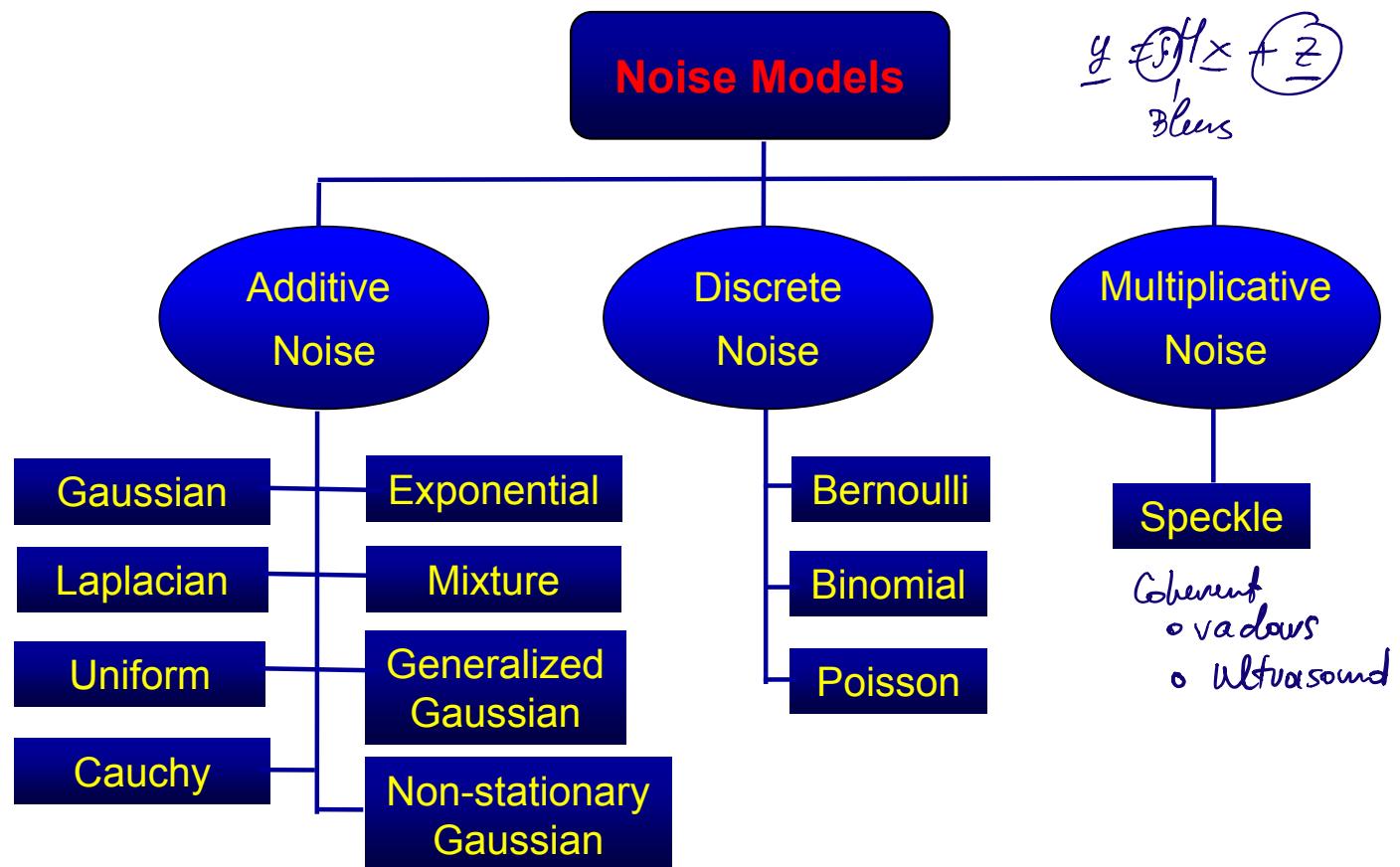


Wave propagation media:

- atmosphere (index of refraction)
- ground
- object subjected to non-destructive testing

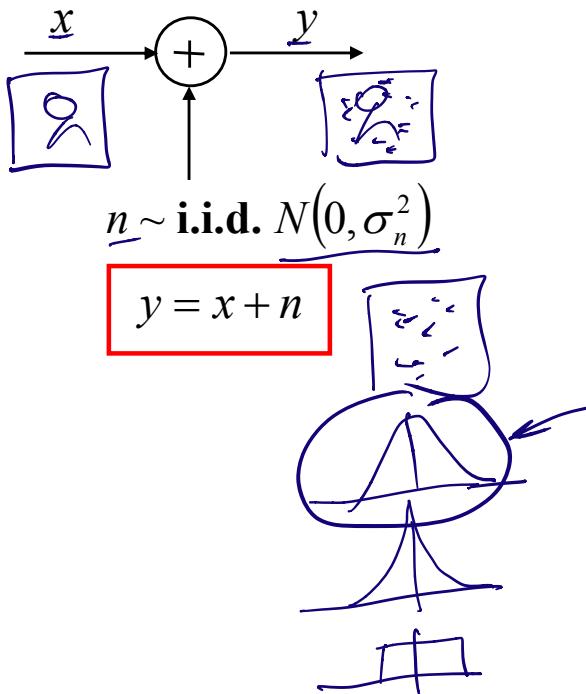


# 4. Classification of Noise in Imaging Systems



$$\underline{y} = H\underline{x} + \underbrace{\underline{n}_1 + \underline{n}_2 + \underline{n}_3 \dots}_{\underline{n} \sim \text{Gaussian}}$$

## 4. Additive Gaussian Noise

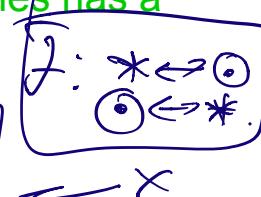
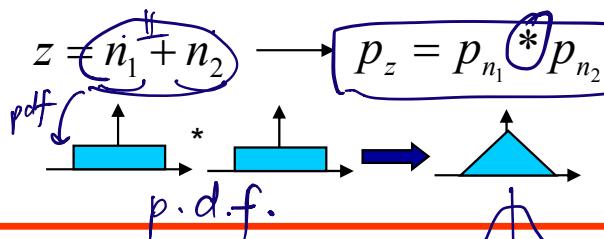


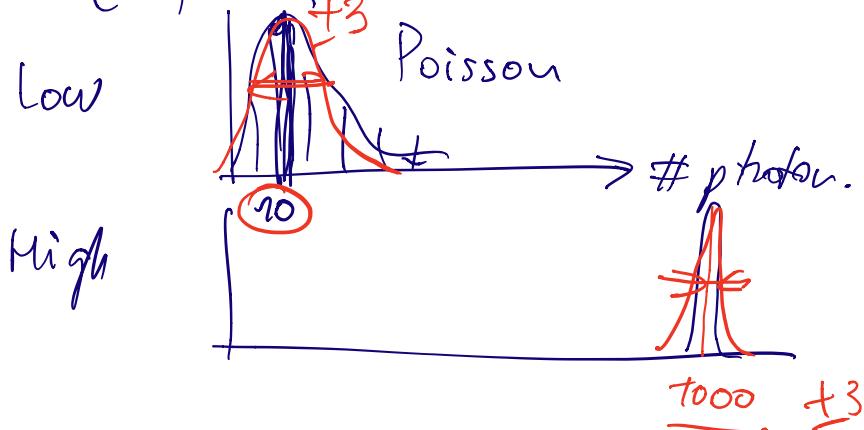
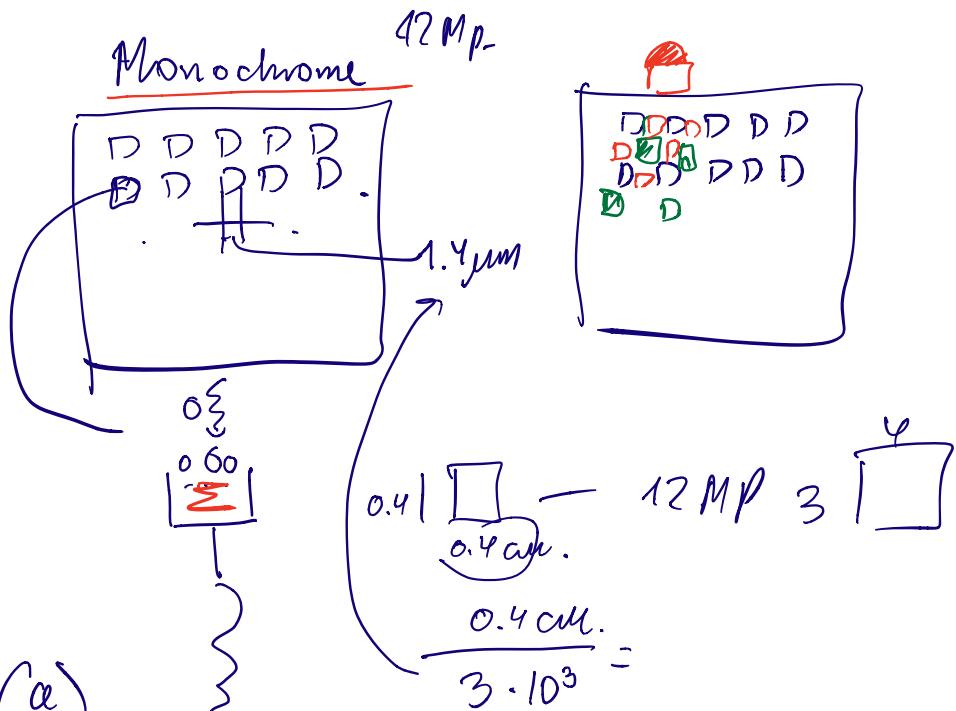
- Thermal noise
- This model reflects the limiting behavior of other models.

### Properties:

- linear operations (transforms and filtering) on Gaussian R.V. yield Gaussian R.V.
- Central Limit Theorem (CLT)

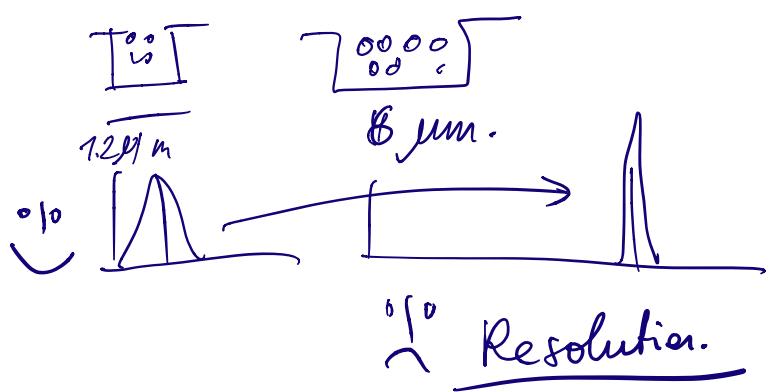
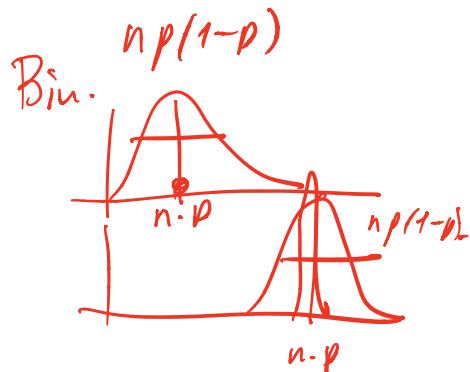
The distribution of sum of a large number of independent, small random variables has a Gaussian distribution.





(b)

$$y = Hx + z$$



## 4. Additive Gaussian Noise

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CLT further requirements:

- The number of R.V. that contribute to the sum should be large enough.
- The individual R.V. in the sum must be independent.
- Each term in the sum must be small, negligible compared to the sum.

# 4. Additive Gaussian Noise

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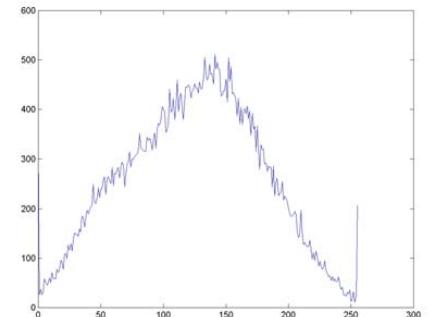
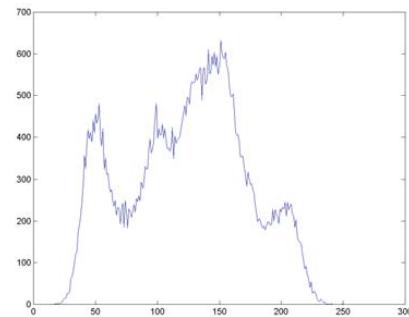
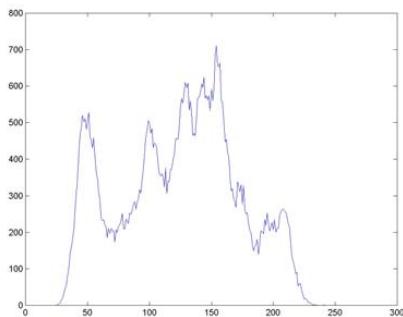
Original Lena



Gaussian noise: var 25

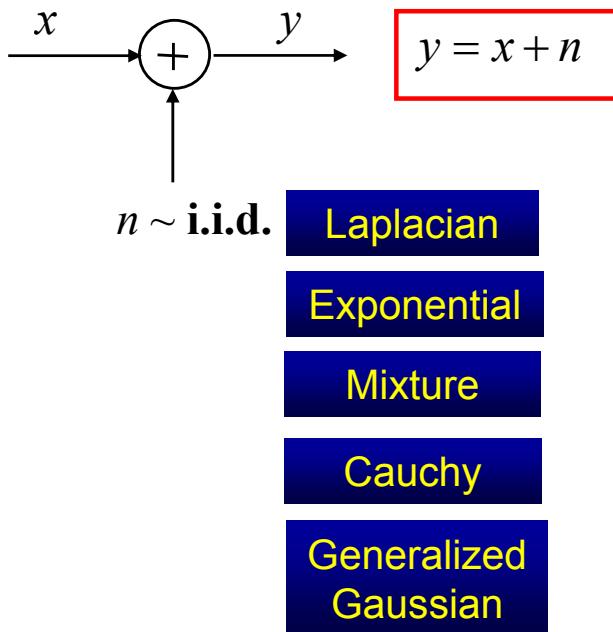


Gaussian noise: var 625



## 4. Additive Heavy-Tailed Noises

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- In many situations, the conditions of the CLT are almost, but not quite, true.

### Reasons:

- There may not be a large enough number of terms in the sum.
- The terms may not be sufficiently independent.

### Conclusions:

- The Gaussian approximation may not be very accurate.
- Even when the center of the pdf is approximately Gaussian, the tails may not be.

## 4. Additive Heavy-Tailed Noises

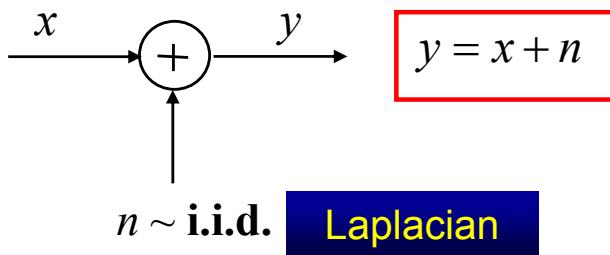
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Practical models of:

- outliers in measurement;
- broadcasting noise;
- wave propagation;
- failures in registration equipment;
- failures in networks or modems;
- industrial noise and Electro-Magnetic Compatibility (EMC);
- random processes with partially known statistics (robust modeling);
- failures in scanning equipment (both electronic and mechanic): scanners, CCDs, antennas and so on.

## 4. Additive Laplacian (Double Exponential) Noise

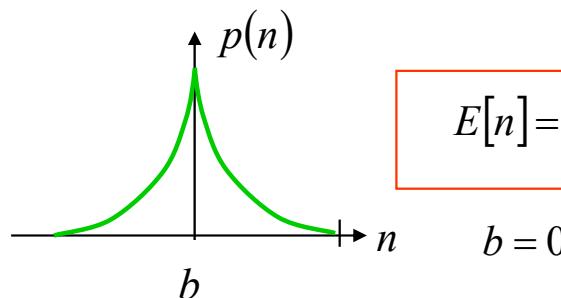
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Features:

- pdf has heavy-tails;
- log-likelihood function of Laplacian pdf is abs function.

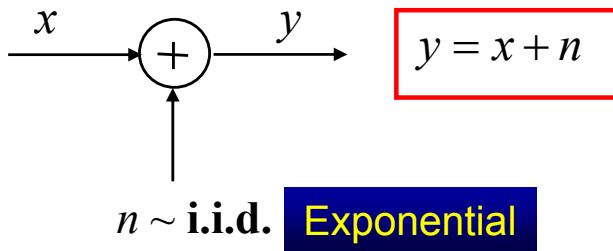
$$p(n) = \frac{a}{2} e^{-a|n-b|} \quad a > 0, \quad -\infty < b < \infty$$



$$E[n] = b, \quad Var[n] = 2/a^2$$

## 4. Additive Exponential Noise

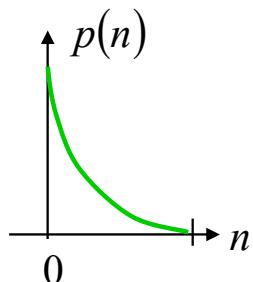
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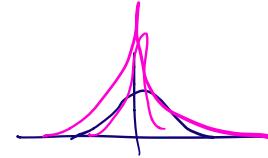
### Features:

- pdf has heavy-tails;
- single side (asymmetric) pdf
- the model is used to model non-negative R.V. (radiometry, astronomy noise or false objects like stars with random intensity).

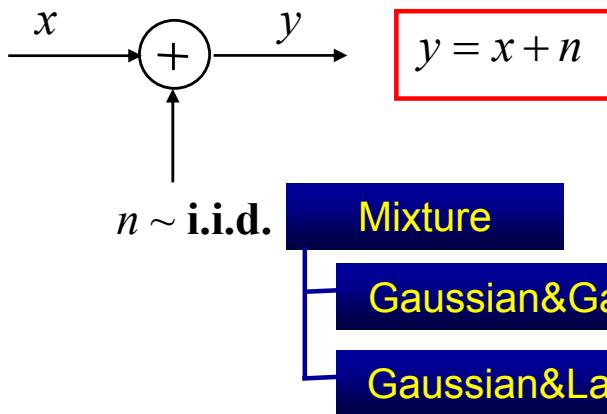
$$p(n) = \begin{cases} ae^{-an}, & x \geq 0, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad a > 0$$



$$E[n] = 1/a, \quad Var[n] = 1/a^2$$



## 4. Additive Mixture Noise



$$p(n) = (1-q)p_0(n) + qp_1(n)$$

- Mixture Gaussian and Gaussian

$$p_0(n) = N(0, \sigma_0^2) \quad \sigma_1^2 \gg \sigma_0^2$$

$$p_1(n) = N(0, \sigma_1^2)$$

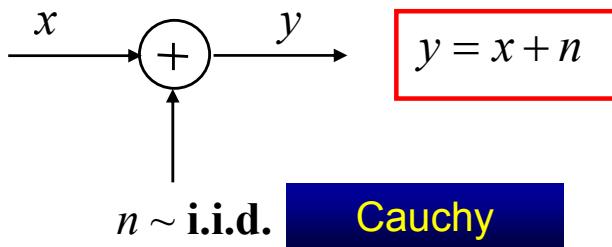
$q$  is small positive constant  
that controls the heavy-tails  
(or outliers).

It is so-called  **$q$ -contaminated model**.

- Mixture Gaussian and Laplacian  
(so-called **Huber model**).

## 4. Additive Cauchy Noise

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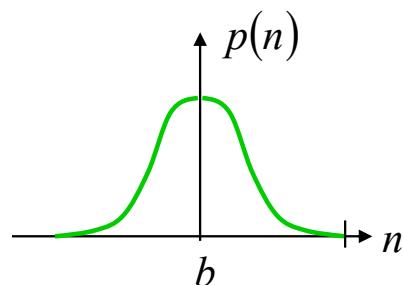


$$p(n) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{a}{a^2 + (n - b)^2}$$

$a > 0, -\infty < b < \infty$

Scale parameter  
(but not variance)

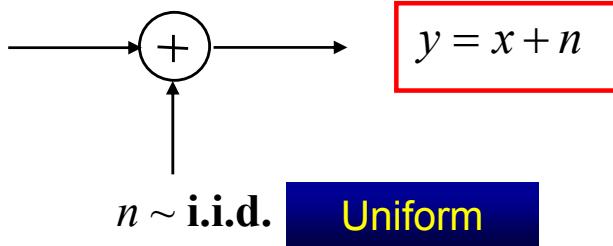
$$b = 0$$



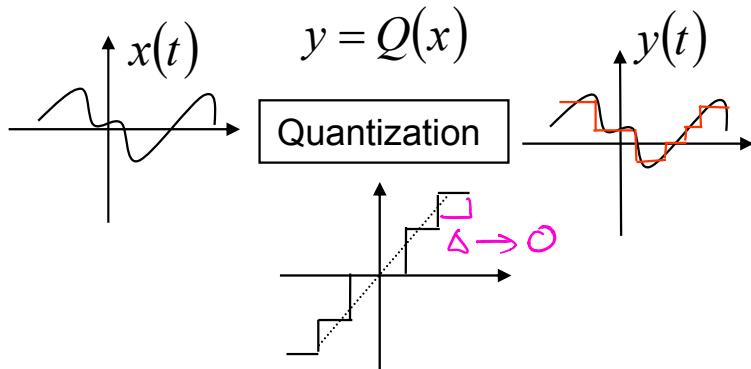
### Features:

- pdf has heavy-tails;
- algebraic pdf  
(not from exponential family);
- log-likelihood function of Cauchy pdf is close to Gaussian near the origin.

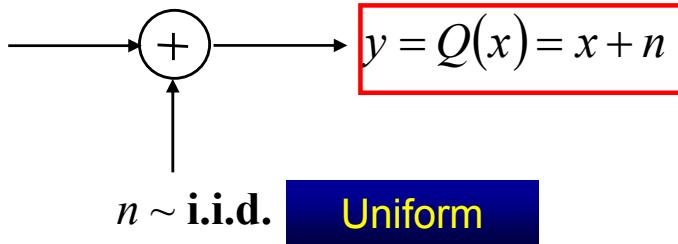
## 4. Additive Uniform Noise: Model of Quantization



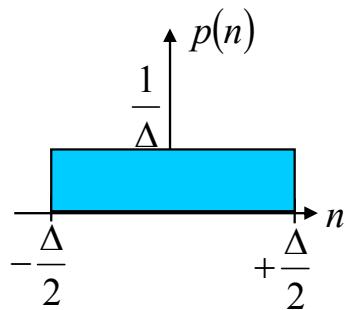
- Quantization noise results when a continuous R.V. is converted to a discrete one.
- Or when a discrete R.V. is converted to one with fewer levels.
- Another source of uniform noise is dithering.



## 4. Additive Uniform Noise: Model of Quantization



$$p(n) = \begin{cases} 1/\Delta, & -\frac{\Delta}{2} \leq n < \frac{\Delta}{2}, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$



- Assume  $L$  levels are used for quantization.
- If the number of levels is large (so  $\Delta$  is small), quantization noise is usually assumed to be uniform.

$$E[n] = 0, \quad Var[n] = (b - a)^2 / 12 = \frac{\Delta^2}{12}$$

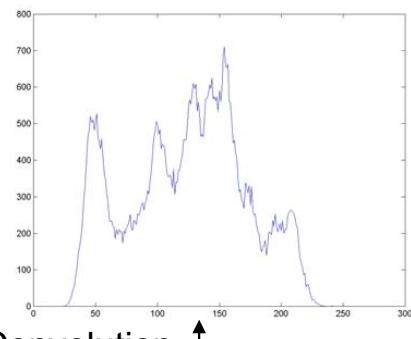
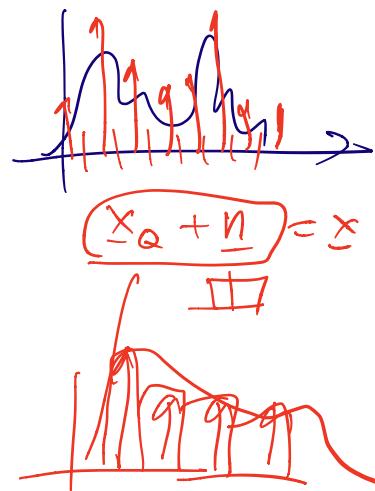
- Since  $\Delta \sim 2^{-L}$ ,  $Var[n] \sim \frac{2^{-2L}}{12}$
- Note: this model is only valid for large  $L$ . Then noise is signal independent.

## 4. Additive Uniform Noise: Example

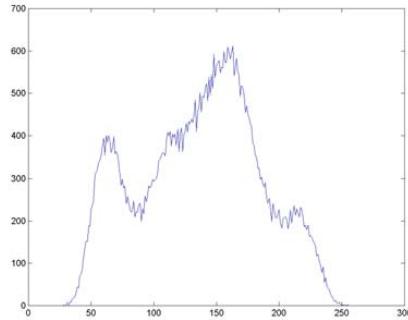
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Uniform noise: std 25

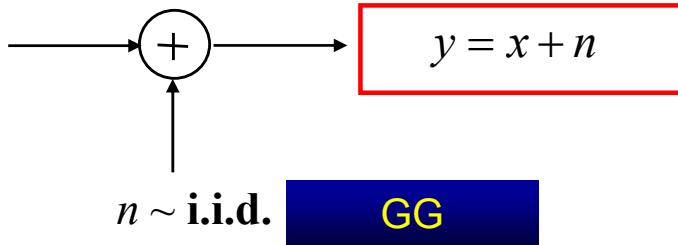


Convolution



## 4. Generalized Model: Generalized Gaussian Noise

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### Features:

- Generalized model for many distributions from the exponential family:

- $\gamma = 2$  Gaussian
- $\gamma = 1$  Laplacian
- $\gamma \rightarrow \infty$  Uniform

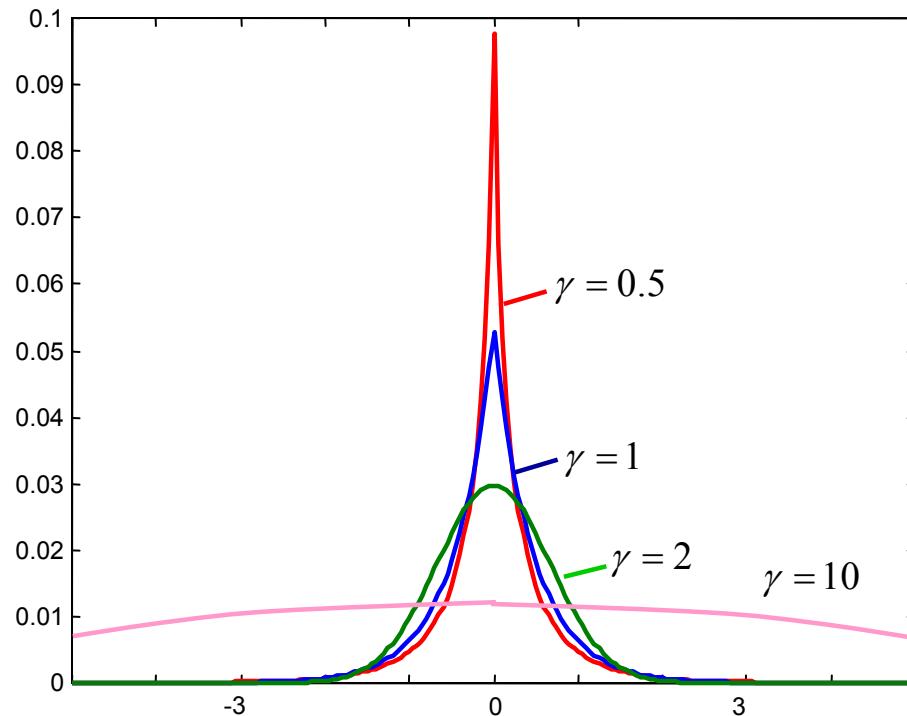
$$p(n) = \left( \frac{\gamma \eta(\gamma)}{2\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{\gamma}\right)} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sigma_n}} \cdot \exp\left\{ -\eta(\gamma) \left| \frac{n}{\sigma_n} \right|^{\gamma} \right\}$$

$$\eta(\gamma) = \sqrt{\frac{\Gamma(3/\gamma)}{\Gamma(1/\gamma)}}$$

$$\Gamma(t) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-u} u^{t-1} du$$

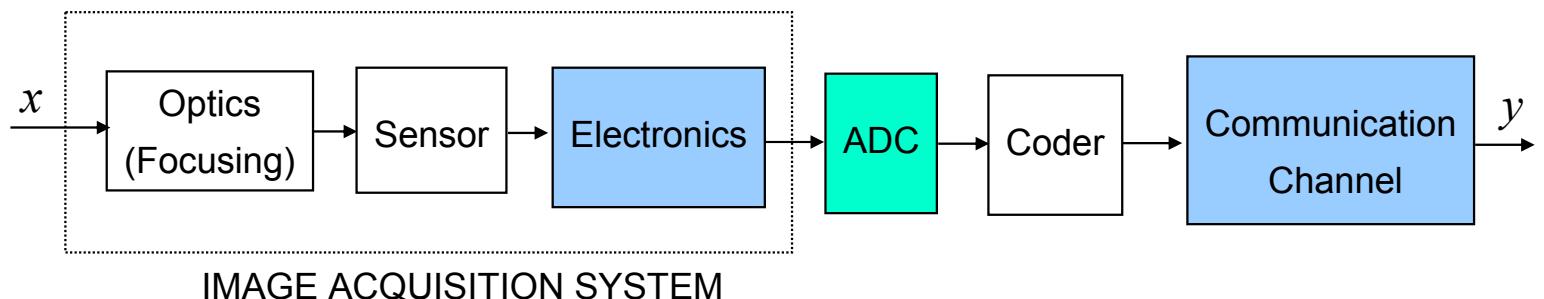
## 4. Generalized Model: Generalized Gaussian Noise

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## 4. Discrete Noise

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- Failures in the control electronics.
- Failures in Analog-to-Digital Converter (ADC)  
(mostly on the pixel-wise level).
- Failures in Communication Channel  
(losses of on the pixel-wise and on package levels).

## 4. Discrete Noise: General Reasons

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- MPEG and DCT-based JPEG: failures and block loosing during transmission.
- Irregular sampling:
  - Dispersion and anisotropy of imaging environment (small particles).
  - Failures in scanners, non-uniform motion of scanning head.
  - Failures in radar imaging systems
    - electronic failures in phase control
    - mechanic failures in the rotation step control.
- The influence of hard-limiters in the receiver entire block of EMC (results in min and max values exceeding the threshold).

## 4. Discrete Noise



One pixel corresponds to 8 bits

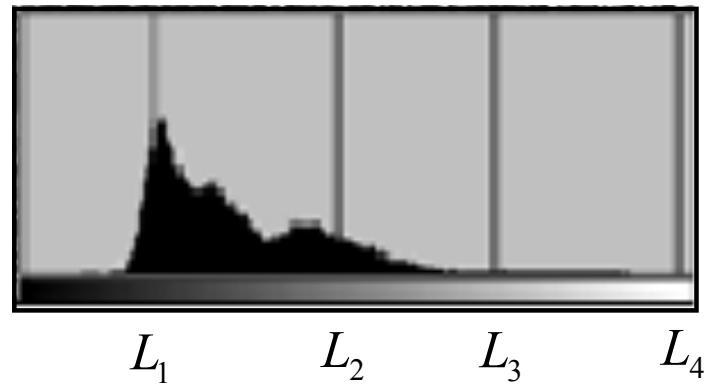


Type of distortion	Structure of the byte
Salt and pepper noise (bimodal) (extreme possible distortions)	 
Unimodal noise (fixed error byte structure)	
Multimodal noise (more than 2)	  (more than 2)

## 4. Discrete Noise: Binomial and Bernoulli Noises

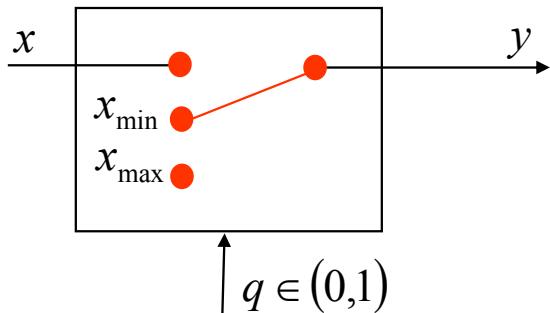
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$$y = \begin{cases} x, & \text{Prob}(y = x) = 1 - q, \\ L_1, & \text{Prob}(y = L_1) = q_1, \\ L_2, & \text{Prob}(y = L_2) = q_2, \\ \vdots \\ L_m, & \text{Prob}(y = L_m) = q_m. \end{cases} \quad \sum_{i=1}^m q_i = 1$$



## 4. Bernoulli Noise: Salt and Pepper Noise

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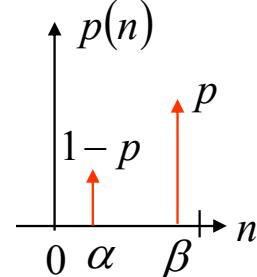
$$n_{S&P} = \begin{cases} \alpha, & \text{Prob}(n = \alpha) = 1 - p, \\ \beta, & \text{Prob}(n = \beta) = p. \end{cases}$$

Salt and Pepper

$$\alpha = x_{\min}$$

$$\beta = x_{\max}$$

$$y_{S&P} = \begin{cases} x, & \text{Prob}(y = x) = 1 - q, \\ x_{\min}, & \text{Prob}(y = x_{\min}) = q/2, \\ x_{\max}, & \text{Prob}(y = x_{\max}) = q/2. \end{cases}$$



$$p(n) = (1-p)\delta(n = \alpha) + p\delta(n = \beta)$$

## 4. Binomial Noise - Unimodal Example

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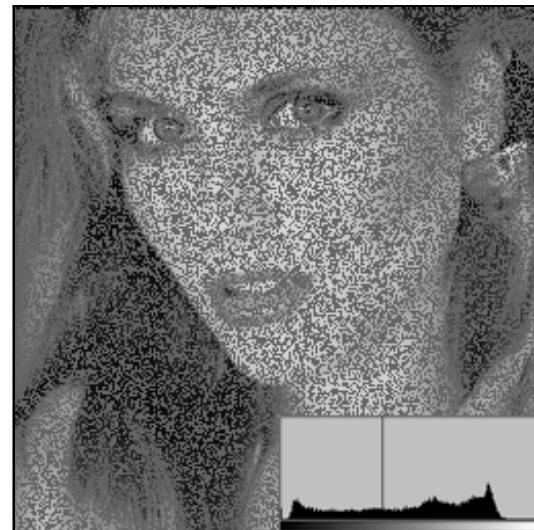
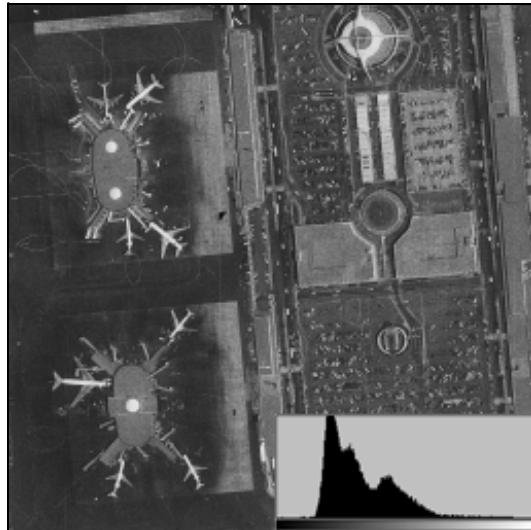


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## 4. Binomial Noise - Multimodal Example

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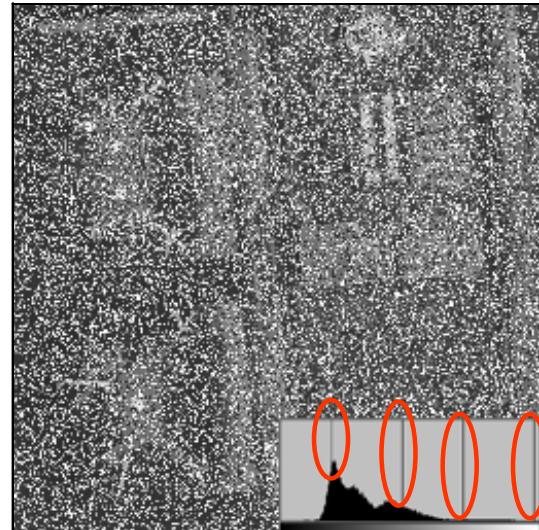


Image corrupted by four-component noise

$$q = 50\%$$

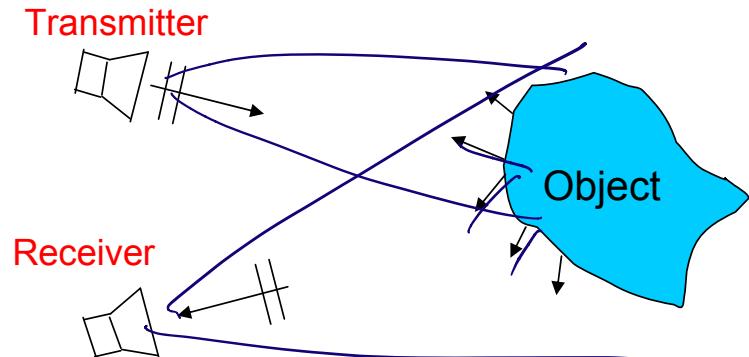
$$L_1 = 50, L_2 = 120, L_3 = 180, L_4 = 250,$$

$$q_1 = q_2 = q_3 = q_4 = 0.25$$

## 4. Speckle noise

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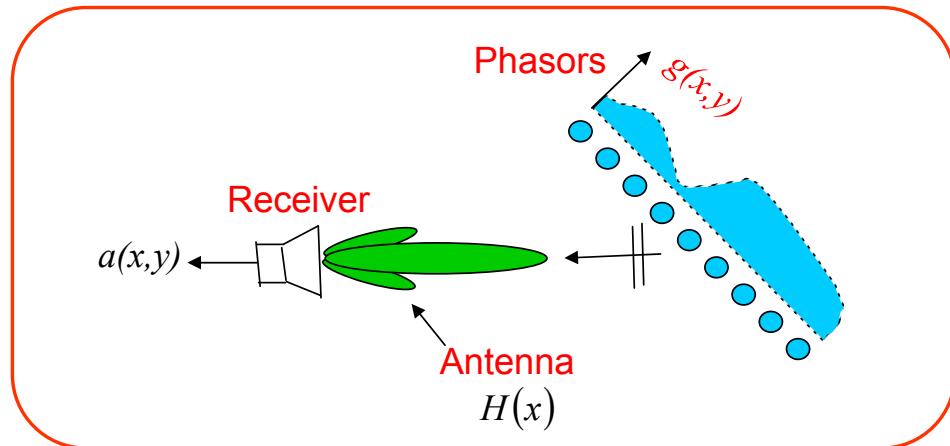
- Radar, sonar, laser, SAR: monochromatic coherent radiation is scattered from a surface whose roughness is of the order of wavelength, interference of waves produces a noise called speckle.
  - The presence of speckle noise reduces the resolution of imaging system, particularly for low-contrast images.
  - Speckle noise is typical for all coherent systems independently on wavelength: microwave ( $10e-3m$ ), infrared ( $10e-6m$ ), optical ( $10e-9m$ ).
  - Speckle noise is not additive.



## 4. Speckle noise

### Speckle Representation

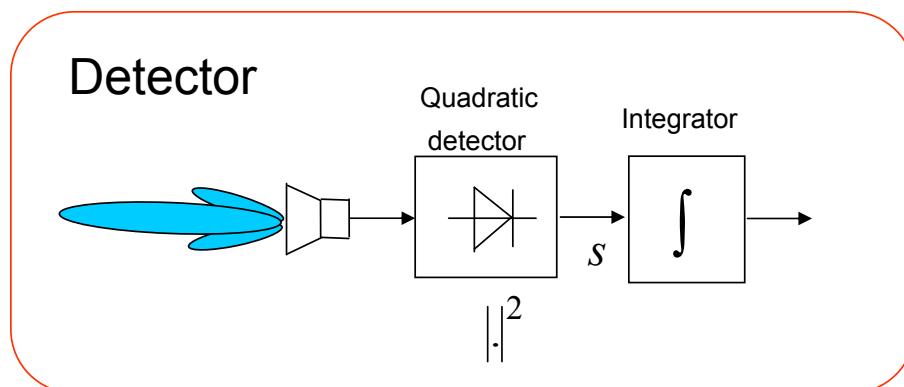
In free space, speckle can be considered as an infinite sum of independent, identical phasors with random amplitude and phase  $g(x,y)$ .



Complex amplitude in receiver:  $a(x,y) = a_R(x,y) + ja_I(x,y)$

where  $a_R$  and  $a_I$  are zero mean, independent Gaussian random variables (for each  $x,y$ ) with variance  $\sigma_a^2$

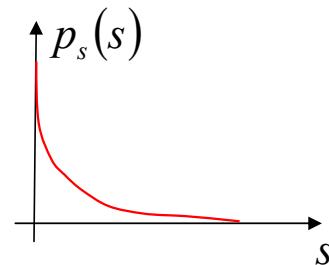
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Intensity field:  $s = s(x, y) = |a(x, y)|^2 = a_R^2 + a_I^2$

Has the exponential single sided distribution with variance  $\sigma^2 = 2\sigma_a^2$  and mean  $\mu_a = E[s] = \sigma^2$

$$p_s(s) = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \exp\left(-\frac{s}{\sigma^2}\right), s \geq 0$$



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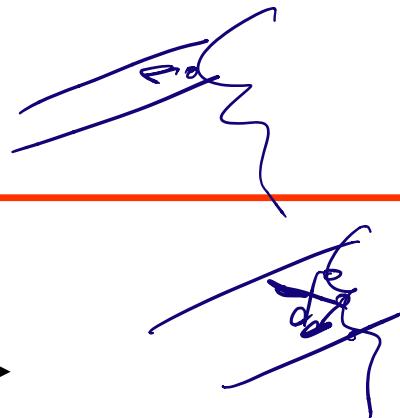
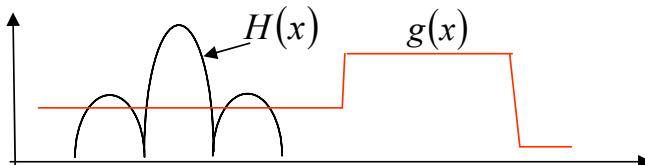
Given: coherent linear imaging system with impulse response  $H(x, y; x', y')$

$\phi(x', y')$  is the phase distribution on the object

$\eta(x, y)$  is the additive detector noise

$$v(x, y) = \left| \iint H(x, y; x', y') g(x', y') e^{j\phi(x', y')} dx' dy' \right|^2 + \eta(x, y)$$

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If the impulse response decays rapidly outside a region  $R_{cell}(x, y)$  called the resolution cell, and  $g(x, y)$  is nearly constant in this region:

$$v(x, y) \approx |g(x, y)|^2 |h(x, y)|^2 + \eta(x, y) = u(x, y)s(x, y) + \eta(x, y)$$

$$u(x, y) \equiv |g(x, y)|^2$$

$$h(x, y) = \iint H(x, y; x', y') e^{j\phi(x', y')} dx' dy'$$

Mosaicism

Image intensity

Multiplicative noise

$$\log(a \cdot b) = \log a + \log b$$

### Conclusions:

- The appearance of speckle is due to low resolution of imaging systems.
- There is no speckle in an ideal imaging system.