

Introduction to Photonics

Multi-Beam Interference (1)

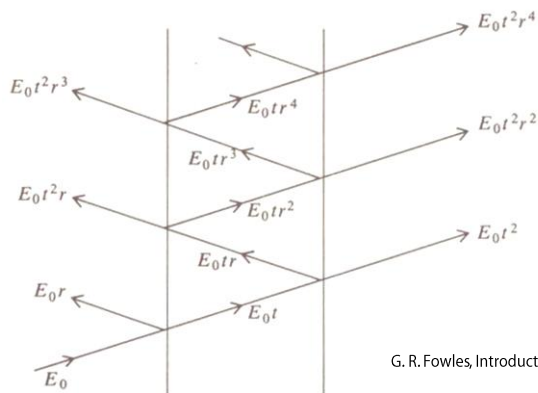
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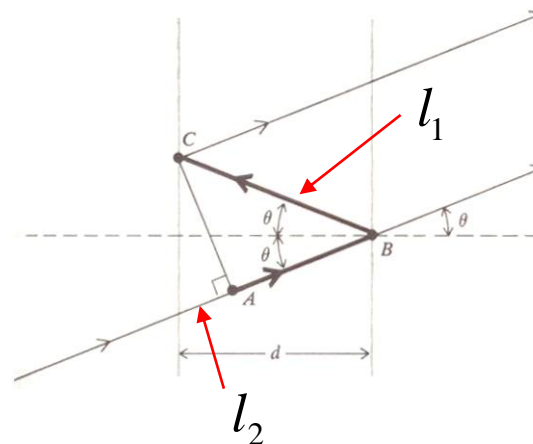
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Interference with Multiple Beams (1)



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Phase difference:

$$l_1 = \frac{d}{\cos \theta}, \quad l_2 = 2(l_1 \sin \theta) \sin \theta$$

$$\rightarrow \delta = k(2l_1 - l_2) = 2kd \cos \theta = \frac{4\pi}{\lambda} d \cos \theta = \frac{4\pi}{\lambda_0} nd \cos \theta$$

Transmission:

$$E_T = E_0 t^2 + E_0 t^2 r^2 e^{i\delta} + E_0 t^2 r^4 e^{2i\delta} + \dots$$

$$\rightarrow E_T = \frac{E_0 t^2}{1 - r^2 e^{i\delta}} \quad \rightarrow I_T = I_0 \frac{|t|^4}{|1 - r^2 e^{i\delta}|^2}$$

Interference with Multiple Beams (2)

Reflectance and transmittance:

$$r = |r|e^{i\delta_r/2}$$

$$\rightarrow R = |r|^2 = rr^*$$

$$\rightarrow T = |t|^2 = tt^* \quad \rightarrow I_T = I_0 \frac{T^2}{|1 - Re^{i\Delta}|^2} \quad \leftarrow \Delta = \delta + \delta_r$$

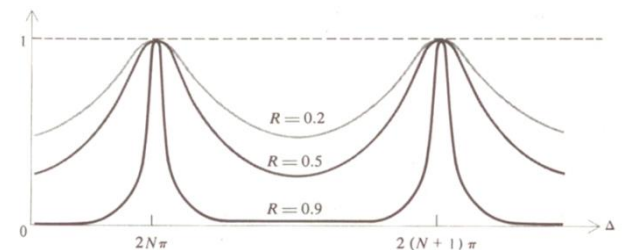
$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow |1 - Re^{i\Delta}|^2 &= (1 - Re^{i\Delta})(1 - Re^{-i\Delta}) = 1 - R(e^{i\Delta} + e^{-i\Delta}) + R^2 \\ &= 1 - 2R \cos \Delta + R^2 \\ &= (1 - R)^2 \left[1 + \frac{4R}{(1 - R)^2} \sin^2 \frac{\Delta}{2} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Coefficient of finesse:

$$\rightarrow I_T = I_0 \frac{T^2}{(1 - R)^2} \frac{1}{1 + F \sin^2 \frac{\Delta}{2}}$$

\leftarrow Airy function

$$F = \frac{4R}{(1 - R)^2} \quad \leftarrow \text{Finesse}$$



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Interference with Multiple Beams (3)

Condition for a fringe maximum:

$$\frac{\Delta}{2} = N\pi \rightarrow 2N\pi = \frac{4\pi}{\lambda_0} nd \cos \theta + \delta_r$$

Order of interference

Maximum and minimum transmission:

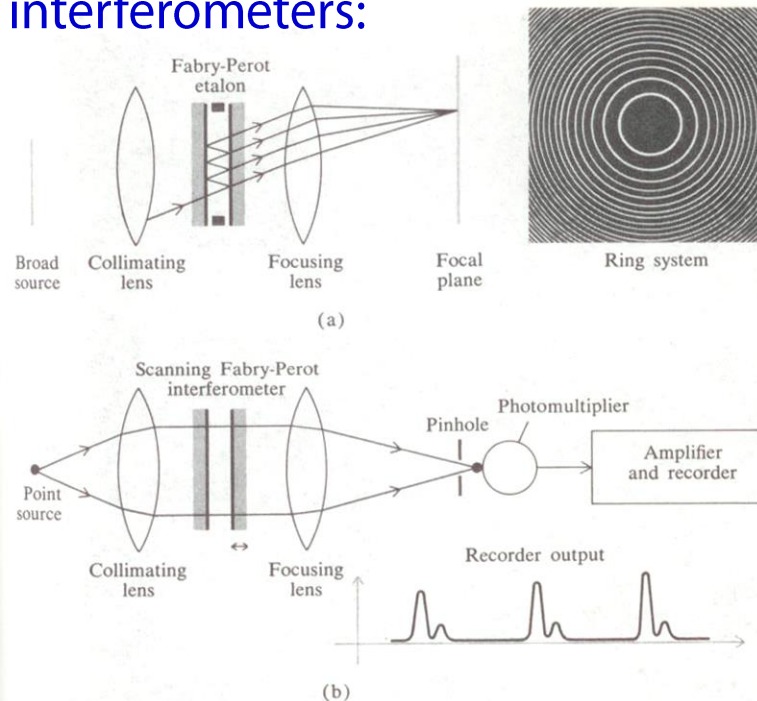
$$\mathcal{T}_{\max} = \frac{I_{T(\max)}}{I_0} = \frac{T^2}{(1-R)^2}$$
$$\mathcal{T}_{\min} = \frac{I_{T(\min)}}{I_0} = \frac{T^2}{(1+R)^2}$$

With absorption:

$$A + R + T = 1$$
$$\rightarrow \mathcal{T}_{\max} = \left(\frac{1 - A - R}{1 - R} \right)^2$$

Fabry-Perot Interferometer (1)

Arrangement for FP interferometers:



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Free spectral range:

“Separation between adjacent orders of interference”

$$\Delta_{N+1} - \Delta_N = 2\pi$$

$$\rightarrow \omega_{N+1} - \omega_N = \frac{\pi c}{nd \cos \theta}$$

$$\rightarrow \nu_{N+1} - \nu_N = \frac{c}{2nd \cos \theta} \approx \frac{c}{2nd} \quad (\theta \ll 1)$$

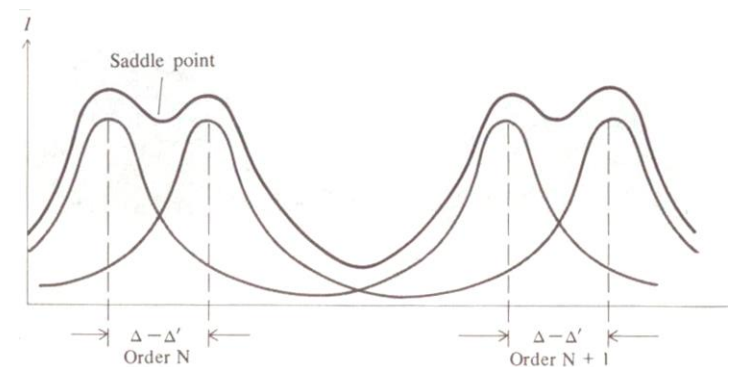
Fabry-Perot Interferometer (2)

Resolution of Fabry-Perot instruments:

$$I_T = I_0 \left(1 + F \sin^2 \frac{\Delta}{2} \right)^{-1} + I_0 \left(1 + F \sin^2 \frac{\Delta'}{2} \right)^{-1} \quad \text{for } \omega \text{ \& } \omega'$$

$$\leftarrow \Delta \approx \delta_r + 2kd = \delta_r + \frac{2\omega d}{c}$$

$$\leftarrow \Delta' \approx \delta_r + 2k'd = \delta_r + \frac{2\omega'd}{c}$$



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Taylor criterion:

$$\rightarrow I = 2I_0 \left[1 + F \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta - \Delta'}{4} \right) \right]^{-1} = I_0 \quad \rightarrow F \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta - \Delta'}{4} \right) = 1$$

$$\rightarrow |\Delta - \Delta'| \approx 4F^{-1/2} = 2 \left(\frac{1-R}{\sqrt{R}} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \delta\omega = |\omega - \omega'| \approx \frac{2c}{d} F^{-1/2} = \frac{c}{d} \left(\frac{1-R}{\sqrt{R}} \right)$$

Fabry-Perot Interferometer (3)

Reflecting finesse:

$$\mathcal{F} = \frac{\Delta_{N+1} - \Delta_N}{|\Delta - \Delta'|} = \frac{\pi}{2} \sqrt{F} = \pi \left(\frac{\sqrt{R}}{1-R} \right)$$

Resolving power:

$$\rightarrow \text{RP} = \frac{\omega}{\delta\omega} = \frac{\nu}{\delta\nu} = \frac{\lambda}{|\delta\lambda|} \quad \leftarrow \delta\omega = |\omega - \omega'| \approx \frac{2c}{d} F^{-1/2}$$

$$\rightarrow \text{RP} = N\mathcal{F} = N\pi \left(\frac{\sqrt{R}}{1-R} \right)$$

“Compromise between FSR and RP”