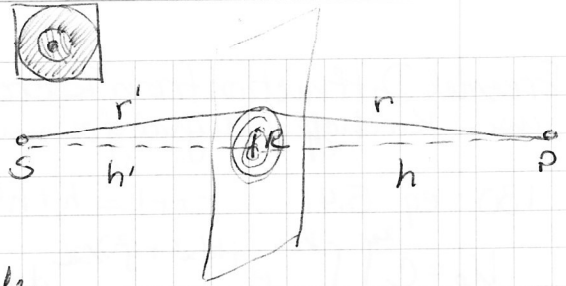


# Fresnel Diffraction: Fresnel Zones

Point source + an aperture



construct zones/circles such that

$$r + r' = \frac{1}{2} \lambda + h + h', \quad R = \text{radius of circle}$$

use Pythagoras Theorem  $\sqrt{h^2 + R^2} + \sqrt{h'^2 + R^2} = r + r' = h + h' + \frac{1}{2} \lambda \left( \frac{1}{h'} + \frac{1}{h} \right) + \dots$

do a binomial expansion  $R_1 = \sqrt{2\lambda L} \quad R_2 = \sqrt{2\lambda L} \quad L = \left( \frac{1}{h} + \frac{1}{h'} \right)^{-1}$

the radii of the Fresnel zones  $R_1, R_2$   
can calculate the annular area

$$\pi R_{n+1}^2 - \pi R_n^2 = \pi R_n^2$$

each zone has equal area  
difference in phases arises from path length  
difference of  $\lambda/2$

add total disturbance from each area

$$U_1 = \text{Fresnel zone \#1}$$

$$U_p = U_1 - U_2 + U_3 \dots$$

What happens is, as you move away from the center  $\cos(nr') + \cos(nr)$   
obliquity factor depends on the sin of angle + the whole system changes.

$$U_p = \frac{1}{2} |U_1| + \left( \frac{1}{2} |U_1| - |U_2| + \frac{1}{2} |U_3| \right) + \left( \frac{1}{2} |U_3| - |U_4| + \frac{1}{2} |U_5| \right) + \dots$$

if you take the average value between alternating zones fresnel lens

block alternating zones + you can get increased intensity used to

all that contribute with equal phase + amplitude Square of optical disturbance.

Fresnel Diffraction  $\Rightarrow$  Fresnel zones

non-invasive completely open aperture

block-off even order zones and (p. 129) (zones have equal area) increases intensity at observation pt

used for focusing pt srcs of light esp. in radio regime to avoid needing thick lenses of 1000's of wavelengths for reasonable # $\lambda$ s of material to get focussed using fresnel zone plate

$$\begin{array}{l} h \text{ src pt} \\ h' \text{ obs pt.} \end{array} \quad \frac{1}{h} + \frac{1}{h'} = \frac{1}{L} \quad (5.36) \text{ resembles thin lens formula}$$

$$\text{where } R^2 = \lambda L$$

$$R_n^2 = n\lambda L$$

$$L = \frac{R_n^2}{n\lambda} = \frac{R^2}{\lambda} = f_{\text{eff}}$$

strong dependence on  $\lambda$

compared to thin lens which has less dependence on  $\lambda$  due to  $n$  index of refraction

# Fresnel Diffraction from Rectangular Aperture

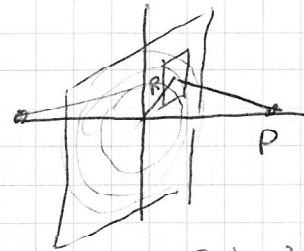
use Kirchoff integral formula

p. 130 eq. 5.41  $r+r' = h+h' + \frac{1}{2L}(x^2+y^2)$  from binomial expansion

$$U_p = C \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \int_{y_1}^{y_2} e^{ik(x^2+y^2)/2L} dx dy = C \int_{x_1}^{x_2} e^{ikx^2/2L} dx \int_{y_1}^{y_2} e^{iky^2/2L} dy$$

$$L = \frac{R^2}{\lambda} \quad u = x \sqrt{\frac{k}{\pi L}} \quad v = y \sqrt{\frac{k}{\pi L}}$$

$$U_p = U_1 \int_{u_1}^{u_2} e^{i\pi u^2/2} du \int_{v_1}^{v_2} e^{i\pi v^2/2} dv$$



can't do analytically over small regions

$$C(s) = \int_0^s \cos(\pi u^2/2) du \quad S(s) = \int_0^s \sin(\pi u^2/2) du \quad \text{and} \quad \int_0^s e^{i\pi u^2/2} du = C(s) + iS(s)$$

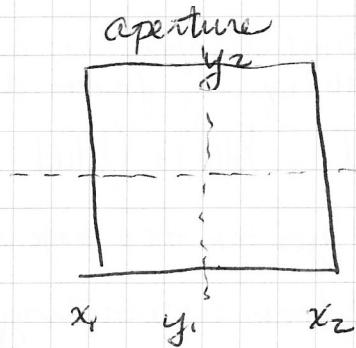
using

$$e^{i\theta} = \cos\theta + i\sin\theta$$

doing these integrals analytically is not possible - do numerically

table 5.2 fresnel integrals p. 131

- 1) numerically do integral
- 2) get  $U_p$  at different positions
- 3) take square to get optical disturbance  
can get intensity distribution

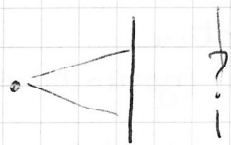


Cornu plotted  $C(s)$  and  $iS(s)$

painful numerical values

easier to figure out what the pattern for simple geometry aperture

1D straight edge



$\Rightarrow$  rewrite the integral 5.44  
each part has a  $C + iS$

$$U_p = U_1 \int_{u_1}^{u_2} e^{i\pi u^2/2} du \int_{v_1}^{v_2} e^{i\pi v^2/2} dv$$

$v = y \sqrt{\frac{k}{\pi L}}$

$$U_p = U_1 [C(s) + iS(s)] [C(s) + iS(s)]$$

take a completely unobstructed source.

unobstructed illumination

General form 5.47

$$U_p = \frac{U_0}{(1+i)^2} [C(u) + iS(u)] \Big|_{u_1}^{u_2} \Big|_{v_1}^{v_2}$$

one dimension is infinite  $u$ -dimension  $u_1 = -\infty$   $u_2 = +\infty$

$$\& \left[ C(s) + iS(s) \right] \Big|_{-\infty}^{+\infty} = (1+i)$$

$$U_p = \frac{U_0}{1+i} [C(u) + iS(u)] \Big|_{v_1}^{v_2}$$

$z = C + iS$  is a complex vector on the Cornu spiral plot

$C + iS$  is the amplitude

$$U_p = \frac{U_0}{1+i} [C(v) + iS(v)] \Big|_{-\infty}^{v_2} \quad \text{this is straight edge}$$

$$U_p = \frac{U_0}{(1+i)} [C(v_2) + iS(v_2) + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i]$$

to get field point go to plot

$v_2 = 0$   
comes out to be equal to  $\frac{1}{2}$  - each component  $v_2 = 0$

$$U_p = \left( \frac{U_0}{1+i} \right) \left[ \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i \right] = \frac{1}{2} U_0$$

$U_0$  is the unobstructed amplitude  
can use Cornu spiral to find other pts.

### Fresnel Diffraction

- use Kirchoff - Fresnel formula, but integrals are difficult
- plot real + imaginary parts Cornu spirals.
- difficult because of quadratic terms in the integral arising from the curvature of the wavefront.

fresnel integrals - you need the Cornu spiral

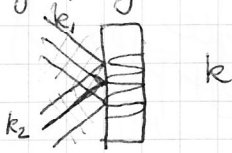
Faint, illegible handwriting on graph paper, possibly bleed-through from the reverse side of the page.

Optics class - May 13<sup>th</sup> - Tuesday

photopolymer 10's of microns thick weakly absorbing change refractive index + absorption

holography is recording white light comes

holography is the recording of a complex interferogram



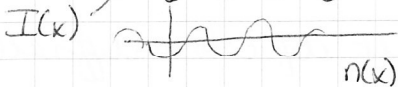
period of interference pattern

$$\vec{k}_2 - \vec{k}_1 = \Lambda = \text{period of interference pattern}$$

Suppose interference pattern changes abs./ref index of pattern periodic modulation

simple grating - not have the fidelity

saturate  $\frac{I}{I_0}$  suppose modulation is 1



Suppose it is a permanent change in  $n$  real-time holography

Suppose you could fix it

enough resolution (silver grains) very small silver halide grain sizes

develop then fix have the negative form a permanent change

amplitude grating send light through it and it will diffract exactly in same direction as other beam.

Simplest kind of hologram - no information inscribed - inscribed a grating of two interfering plane waves.

Immediately realize Dennis Gabor - theoretical background just demonstrated it - paper in Nature - not yet lasers

Collimated beam - light is scattered

Put through a pin hole - focus + recollimate

removes the spatial filtering of remove high frequency components

light diffracts thru a pinhole - throw away a lot of light - so use strong laser

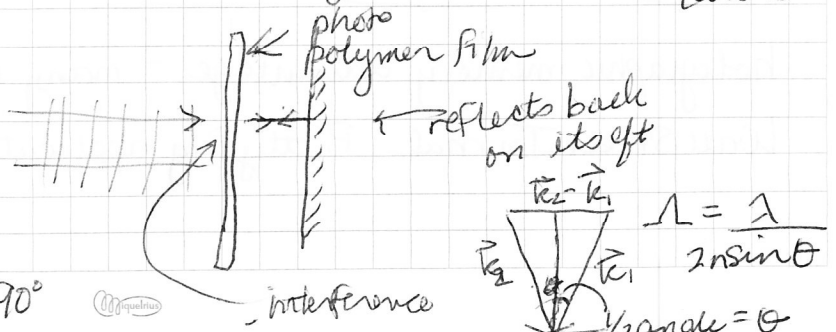
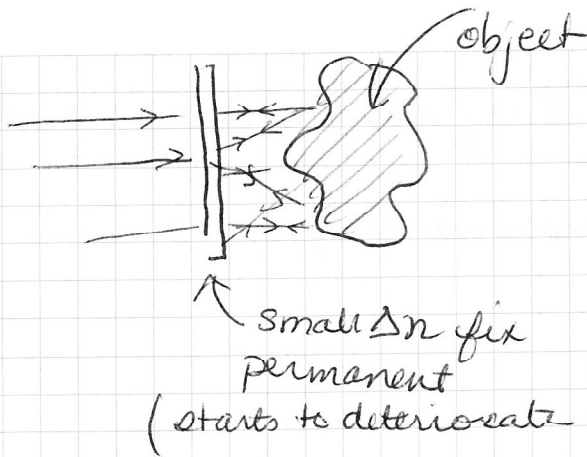


photo active material record refractive index changes

$$\Lambda = \frac{\lambda}{2n} \text{ at } \theta = 90^\circ$$

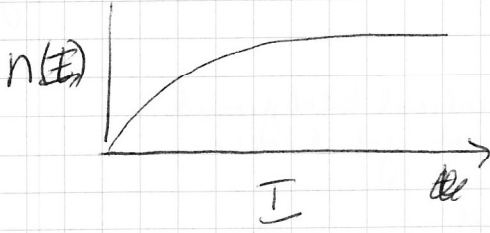


don't change all the refractive index all at once  
get contrast  
regime where changes in photographic film or polymer is linear  
that's what this shows. *fuck everything* as long as you don't get into  
changes in absorption materials are almost transparent

illuminate it by the light  
greatest colors you see Ar laser as tilt dif colors diffract  
at different angles

tilt grating to get dif colors  
what light does is "read" the complex grating

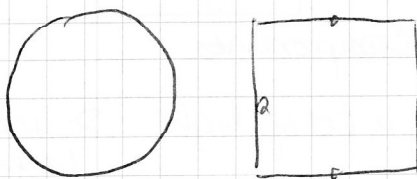
IBM just announced going to market holographic optical memory  
Real-time holography - doesn't get permanently fixed non-linear optics



if the intensity is low - it never saturates - patterns interference pattern  
decays with a time constant  
so diffracted beam changes

Beat drum heads

vibration modes of a string



Boundary conditions  
used in vibration analysis  
a few milliseconds.

holographic memory advantage - many MByte - good fidelity  
Wall Street Journal Pretty Big application

# Fourier Transforms

Fowles p. 71 Sec. 3.6

- Spectral Resolution of Finite Wave Train
- Coherence and Line Width

Properties of Light

- no light is strictly monochromatic
- spread of frequencies about some  $\langle \nu \rangle$  = line width
- there is a relationship between line width and coherence length

## Fourier Transform Theorem

A function  $f(t)$  can be expressed as an integral over the variable  $\omega$  in the following way:

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(\omega) e^{-i\omega t} d\omega \quad g(\omega) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{i\omega t} dt$$

The functions  $f(t)$  and  $g(\omega)$  are Fourier Transforms

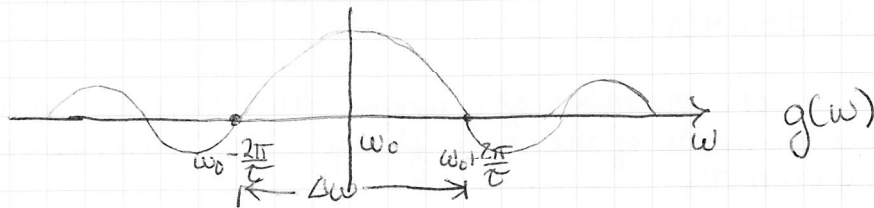
$g(\omega)$  = frequency resolution of  $f(t)$   
represents  $f(t)$  in the frequency domain

## Example: Finite Train (Single Wave)

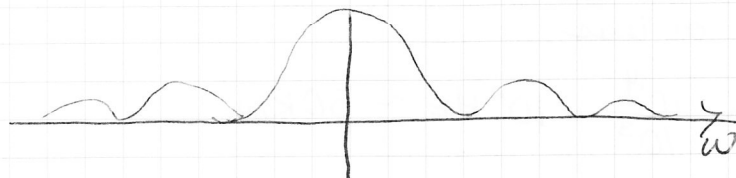
$$f(t) = e^{-i\omega_0 t} \quad -\tau_0/2 < t < \tau_0/2$$

$$f(t) = 0 \quad \text{otherwise}$$

$$g(\omega) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\tau_0/2}^{\tau_0/2} e^{i(\omega - \omega_0)t} dt = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \frac{\sin[(\omega - \omega_0)\tau_0/2]}{\omega - \omega_0}$$



Interesting



$$G(\omega) = |g(\omega)|^2 = \frac{2 \sin^2[(\omega - \omega_0)\tau_0/2]}{\pi (\omega - \omega_0)^2}$$

Spectral Distribution:

$$\Delta\omega = \frac{2\pi}{\tau_0} \quad \Delta\nu = \frac{1}{\tau_0}$$

# Coherence Length (from Fourier Transform argument)

## Example: Sequence of Wave Trains

each lasts  $\tau_0$  duration - or can consider  $\langle \tau_0 \rangle$  for a number of random intervals

Reverse Reasoning ... Spectral Source has  $\Delta\nu$

$$\text{if given } \Delta\nu \Rightarrow \langle \tau_0 \rangle = \frac{1}{\Delta\nu}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{the coherence length } l_c = c \langle \tau_0 \rangle = \frac{c}{\Delta\nu}$$

$$\frac{\Delta\nu}{\nu} = \frac{|\Delta\lambda|}{\lambda} \quad \therefore l_c = \frac{\lambda^2}{\Delta\lambda}$$

## Specific Example

discharge tubes  $\Delta\lambda \sim 1\text{\AA}$   $\lambda_0 \approx 5000\text{\AA}$

$$l_c = \frac{\lambda^2}{\Delta\lambda} \sim 5000\lambda \sim 2\text{mm}$$

in an interference experiment the fringe visibility would be vanishingly small for path differences much larger than this ~~wave~~ coherence length

Sensitivity of Eyes

max @ 5580\AA

falls to zero 4000\AA and 7000\AA

White Light

to eye, spectral width of white light  $\sim 1500\text{\AA}$

$$l_c \sim 3 \text{ or } 4\lambda$$

3/14) this is the number of fringes that can be seen on either side of the zero fringe in a Michelson interferometer

Gas Laser

$$\Delta\nu \sim 10^3 \text{ Hz or less}$$

$$l_c \sim \frac{c}{\Delta\nu} \sim \frac{10^{14}}{10^3} = 10^{11} \text{ Hz} \sim 50 \text{ km}$$

① interference can be detected over long distances

② fringes can be produced using two different sources  
but it is not steady  
fluctuates on coherence time  $\sim 10^{-3} \text{ s}$

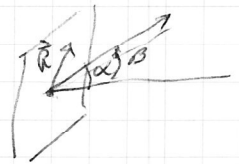
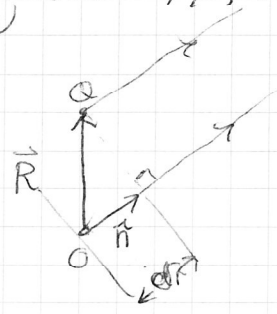
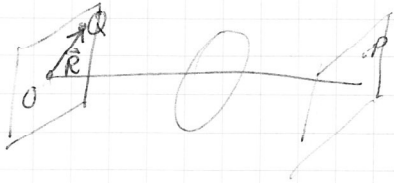


# Fourier Transform

Applications to Diffraction p. 135 Fowles

aperture of arbitrary shape, varying transmission & phase retardation

all rays leave diffracting aperture  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are brought into common focus



$$\vec{R} = \hat{i}x + \hat{j}y \quad \hat{n} \text{ is unit vector}$$

$$dr = \vec{R} \cdot \hat{n} = x\alpha + y\beta = x \frac{x}{L} + y \frac{y}{L}$$

diffraction eq  $\Rightarrow U(x, y) = \iint e^{ik\delta r} dA = \iint e^{ik(xX + yY)} dx dy$  uniform aperture

$g(x, y) =$  aperture function

$$U(x, y) = \iint g(x, y) e^{i(xX + yY)} dx dy \quad \mu = \frac{kX}{L} \text{ and } \nu = \frac{kY}{L}$$

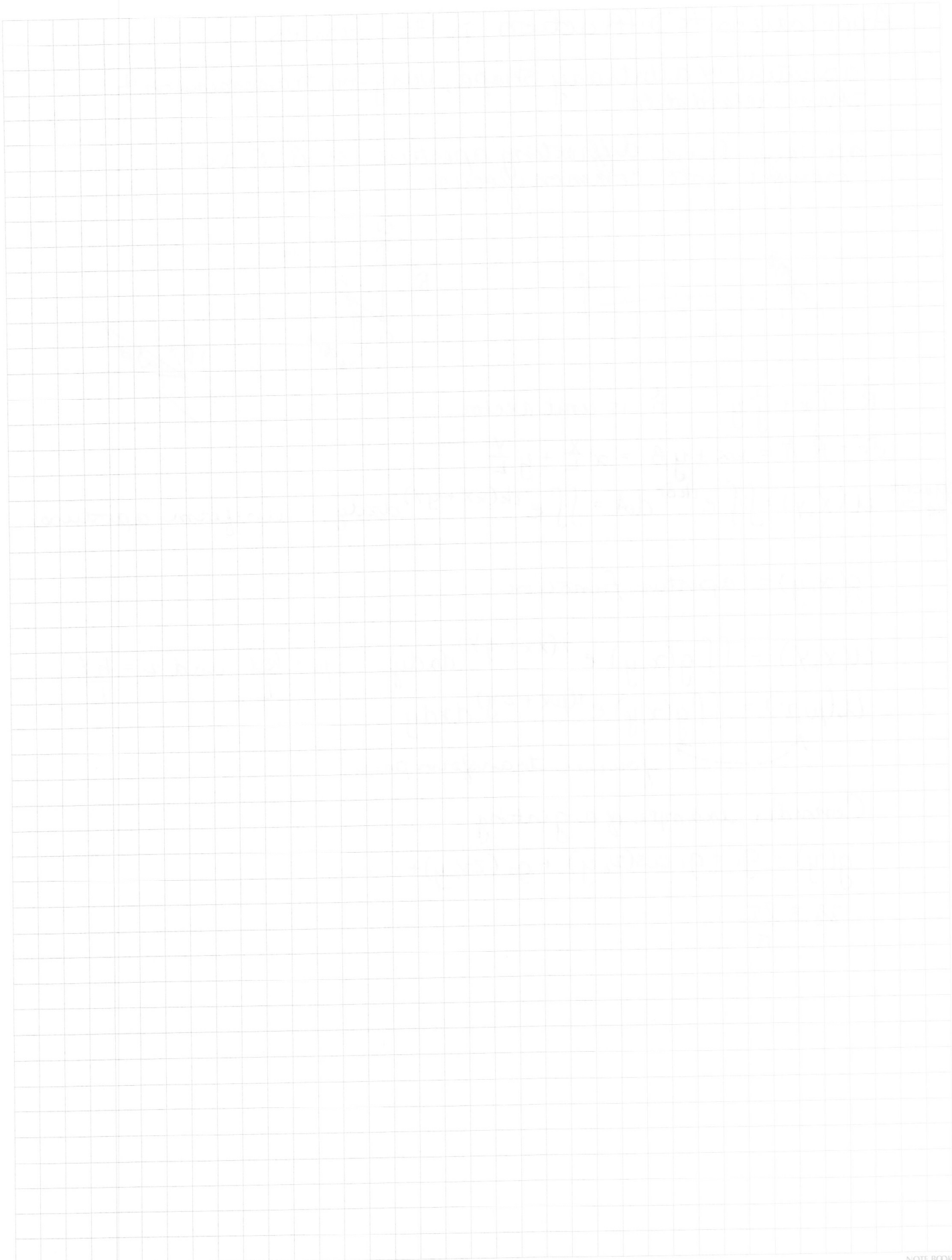
$$U(\mu, \nu) = \iint g(x, y) e^{i(\mu x + \nu y)} dx dy$$

↖ ↗  
fourier transform pair

Consider example of a grating

$$g(y) = g_0 + g_1 \cos(\nu_0 y) + g_2 \cos(2\nu_0 y) + \dots$$

$$\nu_0 = \frac{2\pi}{h}$$



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