

ASTROMETRY WITH INTENSITY INTERFEROMETRY

↳ measurement of positions, motions of "stars"

↳ Hanbury Brown, Twiss 1954, 1956

Hipparchus 190 BC Ptolemy Almagest 850 1022

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Ibn Yunus, Tycho Brahe, Friedrich Bessel → Hipparcos (10^4 , 20mas), Gaia (10^9 , 20μas)
 10^{-2} rad 10^{-3} rad

Outline

- Astrometric observatories: imager, amplitude interferometer, intensity interferometer
- Intensity interferometry 102: atmosphere | spectrum | source spread | aperture spread | timing | SNR
- Time delay II: $\sigma_{\text{atm}}^{\text{rad}} \sim 10^{-12}$ rad $\sim 0.2 \mu\text{s}$ for $\Delta \theta \leq 10^6$ rad and $m < 15$
 $\sigma_{\text{atm}}^{\text{mas}} \sim 10^{-3}$ rad ~ 2 mas
- Applications: apparent size | Galactic lensing | exoplanets | binaries | quasar microlensing
distance ladder DM substructure

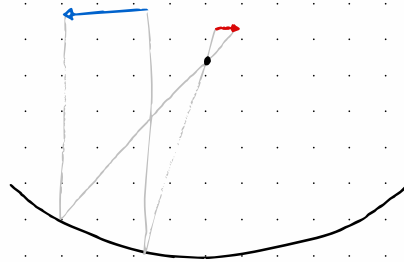
Astrometric Observatories

Imager (HST, JWST, Gaia, Roman, Keck, ELT, ...)

$$\sigma_{\theta} \sim \frac{\lambda}{\min\{D, r_0\}} \max\left\{\frac{1}{\sqrt{N_f}}, \delta(\text{PSF})\right\}$$

$\sim 10^{-6}$ rad $\times 10^{-4} \sim 10^{-10}$ rad $\sim 20 \mu\text{as}$

- pro: high info, high SNR, large FOV
- con: atmosphere, tight tolerances, cost



Amplitude Interferometer (VLBI, CHARA, SIM)

$$E_1 = \sqrt{F_a} e^{i\phi_{a1}} + \sqrt{F_b} e^{i\phi_{b1}} \quad E_2 = \sqrt{F_a} e^{i\phi_{a2}} + \sqrt{F_b} e^{i\phi_{b2}}$$

$$\phi_{ij} = \omega t + k r_{ci} + \tilde{\phi}_c^{\text{em}}(t - r_{ci}) + \tilde{\phi}_c^{\text{atm}} \quad c = a, b; \quad j = 1, 2$$

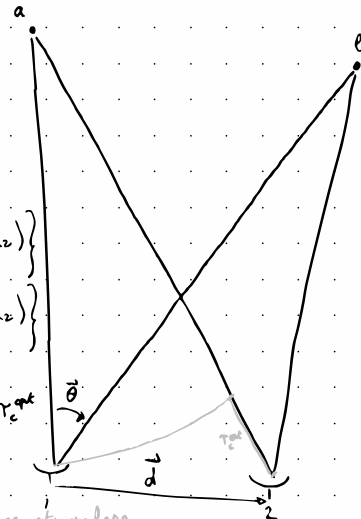
$$\langle E_1(t) E_2(t+\tau) \rangle = F_a \exp\left\{i k (r_{a1} - r_{a2}) + \tilde{\phi}_a^{\text{em}}(t - r_{a1}) - \tilde{\phi}_a^{\text{em}}(t + \tau - r_{a2})\right\} \\ + F_b \exp\left\{i k (r_{b1} - r_{b2}) + \tilde{\phi}_b^{\text{em}}(t - r_{b1}) - \tilde{\phi}_b^{\text{em}}(t + \tau - r_{b2})\right\} \\ + \tilde{\phi}_{c1}^{\text{atm}} - \tilde{\phi}_{c2}^{\text{atm}}$$

$$r_{c1} - r_{c2} = |\vec{r}_{c1}| - |\vec{r}_{c1} + \vec{d}| = r_{c1} - \sqrt{r_{c1}^2 + 2\vec{r}_{c1} \cdot \vec{d}} = -\hat{\theta}_c \cdot \vec{d} = r_c^{\text{proj}}$$

$$\sigma_{\theta} \sim \frac{\lambda}{d} \max\left\{\frac{1}{\sqrt{N_f}}, \sigma_{\tilde{\phi}}\right\}$$

VLBI: 10^3 rad $\rightarrow 10^{-8}$ rad CHARA, Keck

- pro: high SNR, medium FOV
- con: low info, ultratight tolerance, atmosphere

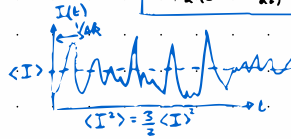


Intensity Interferometer

$$\begin{aligned} \langle I_1(t) I_2(t+\tau) \rangle &= \langle E_1(t) E_1^*(t) E_2(t+\tau) E_2^*(t+\tau) \rangle \\ \langle I_1 \rangle \langle I_2 \rangle &= \langle E_1 E_1^* \rangle \langle E_2 E_2^* \rangle \\ &= 1 + \frac{2 F_a^2 F_c^2}{(F_a + F_c)^2} \cos \left(k \cdot \vec{d} \cdot (\hat{\theta}_c - \hat{\theta}_a) \right) \cdot \left\{ \begin{aligned} &\tilde{\phi}_a^*(t - \tau_{a1}) + \tilde{\phi}_c^*(t + \tau - \tau_{a2}) + \tilde{\phi}_{a1}^{* \text{ atm}} + \tilde{\phi}_{a2}^{* \text{ atm}} \\ &- \tilde{\phi}_a^*(t + \tau - \tau_{a2}) - \tilde{\phi}_c^*(t - \tau_{a1}) - \tilde{\phi}_{a1}^{* \text{ atm}} - \tilde{\phi}_{a2}^{* \text{ atm}} \end{aligned} \right\} \\ &\equiv 1 + C \end{aligned}$$

$$\sigma_\theta \sim \frac{\lambda}{d} \frac{\sigma_c}{|C|}$$

$\sim 10^{-12} \text{ rad} = 0.2 \mu\text{as}$



• pro: ultimate resolution | offline correlation | loose tolerances | atmosphere aberration

• con: bright sources, low SNR | ~~ultra~~-narrow FOV: $\Delta\theta_{\text{FOV}} \gtrsim \sigma_\theta$ | time-delay II: $\Delta\theta_{\text{FOV}} \lesssim 10^{-6} \text{ rad}$ | new technology!

Intensity Interferometry 102

1. atmospheric aberrations: $\langle (\tilde{\Delta\phi}^{\text{atm}})^2 \rangle = \Delta\theta^{5/3} \cdot 2.9 k^2 \int ds C_n^2(s \cos \delta) s^{5/3} \approx \left(\frac{\Delta\theta}{10^{-5}} \right)^{5/3}$

$\uparrow$
5/3
irregularity
patch

2. narrow spectrum: $\Delta k \ll k$ w/grisms $\Rightarrow t_{\text{coh}} = \frac{2\pi}{\Delta k}$

3. fringe source size: $\theta_s \equiv \frac{R_s}{D_s} = \begin{cases} 3 \times 10^{-11} & \text{blue giant in LMC} \\ 3 \times 10^{-13} & 10^{15} \text{ cm} = 3 \times 10^{-4} \text{ pc} \end{cases}$ $R_s \approx 70 R_\odot$ $D_s \approx 50 \text{ kpc}$
 quasar @ $D_s = \text{Gpc}$

4. aperture spread: light collection areas A_1, A_2

5. timing resolution: $t_{\text{res}} \lesssim \begin{cases} 3 \text{ ps} & \text{SNSPDs} \\ 50 \text{ ps} & \text{SPADs} \end{cases}$

$$C \equiv \frac{\langle I_1 I_2 \rangle}{\langle I_1 \rangle \langle I_2 \rangle} - 1 = \underbrace{\frac{2\pi/\Delta k}{t_{\text{res}}}}_5 \underbrace{\frac{\int d^2\theta_1}{A_1} \frac{\int d^2\theta_2}{A_2}}_4 \underbrace{\left(\int d^3\theta \int d k f(k, \vec{\theta}) \exp \left\{ i k (\vec{d} + \Delta\vec{\theta}) \cdot \vec{\theta} + \tilde{\Delta\phi}^{\text{atm}} \right\} \right)^2}_1$$

$\rightarrow$ flux distribution

C suppressed by product of: 5 $\frac{2\pi/\Delta k}{t_{\text{res}}} \sim 1$ @ $\frac{k}{\Delta k} = 5000$; $t_{\text{res}} = 10 \text{ ps}$

4 $\frac{\lambda^2}{A(\Delta\theta)^2} \sim 1$ @ $A = 1 \text{ m}^2$; $\Delta\theta = 10^{-6} \text{ rad}$

3 $\left(\frac{\lambda}{d \theta_s} \right)^2$ one source is resolved: $\# = 3$ for star

fix $\rightarrow$ 2 $\exp \left\{ -(\Delta k)^2 (\vec{d} \cdot \Delta\vec{\theta})^2 \right\}$ ultranarrow FOV: $\Delta\theta_{\text{FOV}} \sim \frac{\lambda}{d} \frac{k}{\Delta k}$

1 $\exp \left\{ -\left(\frac{\Delta\theta}{10^{-5}} \right)^{5/3} \right\}$

SNR

$$\sigma_c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_{xx}}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_{\text{channels}}}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_1 N_2}}$$

$$N_{xx} = \frac{(F_a + F_o)^2}{k^2} \left(\frac{\Delta k}{k} \right)^2 A_1 A_2 \text{ t}_{\text{res}} \text{ time} \quad \text{number of coincident photons}$$

$$N_{\text{channels}} \approx \frac{k}{\Delta k} \quad \text{number of } \Delta k \text{ spectral bins}$$

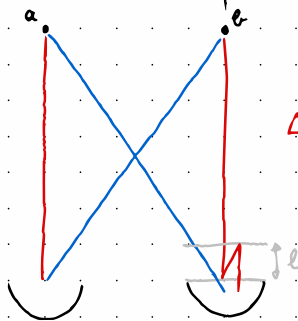
$$N_1, N_2 \quad \text{number of apertures at sites 1 and 2}$$

$$\sigma_c \sim 0.05 \left(\frac{3 \times 10^{14} \text{ W m}^{-2}}{F} \right) \left(\frac{5000}{k/\Delta k} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{10 \text{ ps}}{t_{\text{res}}} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{10^6 \text{ s}}{t_{\text{int}}} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{1 \text{ m}^2}{A} \right) \left(\frac{10}{\sqrt{N_1 N_2}} \right)$$

$m=15$

Time Delay Intensity Interferometry increase $\Delta\theta_{\text{ref}}$

$$C \equiv \frac{\langle I_1 I_2 \rangle}{\langle I_1 \rangle \langle I_2 \rangle} - 1 = \frac{2\pi/\Delta k}{t_{\text{res}}} \left| \int d\vec{\theta} \int d\vec{k} f(\vec{k}, \vec{\theta}) \exp\{i \vec{k} \cdot (\vec{d} \cdot \vec{\theta} - 2n\vec{\ell})\} \right|^2$$

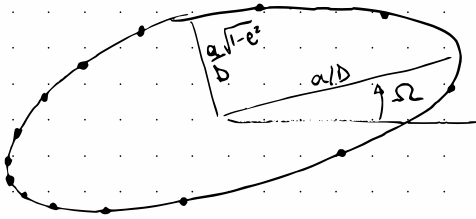


$$\Delta\theta_{\text{ref}} \approx \frac{2\ell}{d} \approx 10^{-6} \text{ rad} \left(\frac{\ell}{50 \text{ cm}} \right) \left(\frac{10^3 \text{ km}}{d} \right)$$

Applications

- Stellar size + "imaging"
- Exoplanet detection
- Galactic microlensing

Binaries blue giants in LMC



Suppose inclination = 0

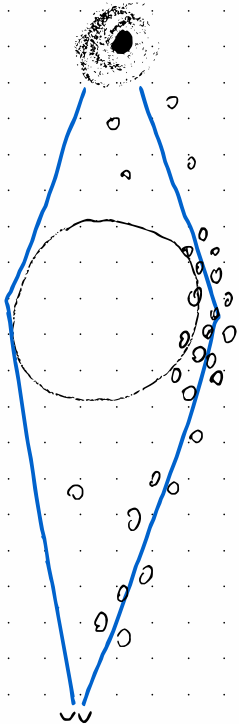
→ 10 AU / 50 kpc $\sim 10^{-9}$ rad to 10^{-3} precision

$\frac{a}{D}, e, \Omega, i, \omega, \nu$

$$\text{period: } T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{a^3}{G(M_b + M_c)}}$$

$$\text{radial velocity: } v_r = \sqrt{\frac{GM}{a}} \approx 60 \text{ km/s}$$

Astrometric Microlensing of Strongly Lensed Quasars



$$\delta\theta_{rms} \sim \underbrace{\frac{GM_s}{r_s}}_{2 \times 10^{-15}} \underbrace{\mu}_{10} \underbrace{\sqrt{\frac{p_q R_q}{p_s r_s}}}_{30} \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-12} \text{ rad})$$

$$t_e \sim \frac{r_s}{v_\perp \mu} \sim 1 \text{ yr}$$