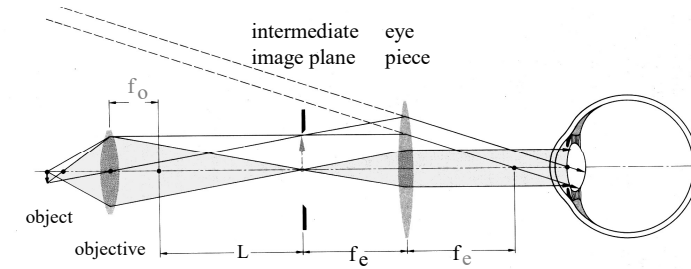


2 Classical optics and microscopy

2.2 Methodology

- 2.2.1 Conventional wide-field optical microscopy
- 2.2.2 Interference contrast microscopy
- 2.2.3 Phase contrast microscopy
- 2.2.4 Fluorescence microscopy
- 2.2.5 Confocal light scanning microscopy (CLSM)
- 2.2.6 Total internal reflection microscopy (TIRF)

Classical Microscopy



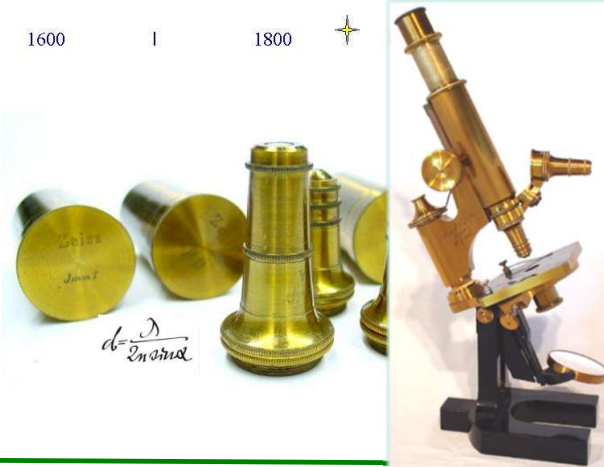
Ernst Abbe



1840 - 1905

Founder of the theory of
microscopic imaging

Zeiss objectives according to Abbe



Zeiss objectives according to Abbe

1600 | 1800 | 2000

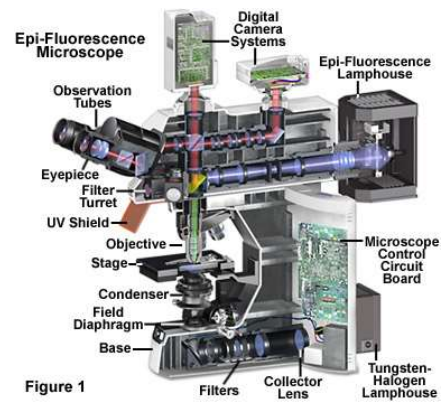


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Modern microscope objectives



Modern microscope



Insect on a water surface



Principle of Phase contrast Imaging

Incident wave: $E_i = E_0 \sin \omega t$

Phase-modulated wave at $x = 0$:

$$E_{PM}(r, t) \Big|_{x=0} = E_0 \sin(\omega t + \Phi(y, z)) = E_0 \sin \omega t \cdot \cos \Phi + E_0 \cos \omega t \cdot \sin \Phi$$

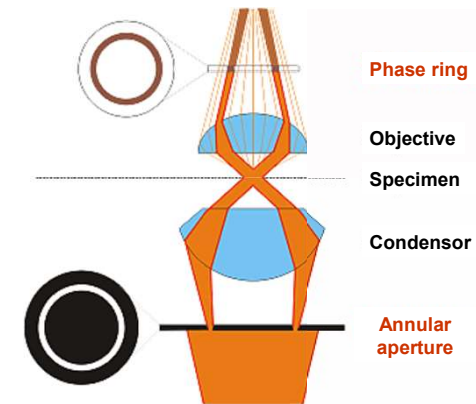
If Φ is very small, then

$$E_{PM}(y, z, t) \cong \underbrace{E_0 \sin \omega t}_{E_i} + \underbrace{E_0 \cos \omega t \cdot \Phi(y, z)}_{E_d}$$

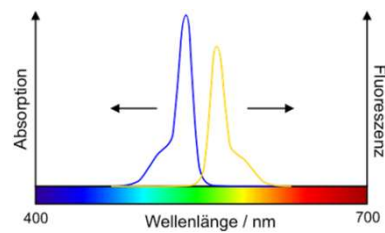
Basic idea: Change the phase of E_i after transmission by $\frac{\pi}{2}$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \sin \omega t \rightarrow \cos \omega t \\ E_{PM} \rightarrow E_{AM} \end{array} \right\} \quad \text{Amplitude-modulated wave} \quad E_{AM}(y, z, t) = (1 + \Phi(y, z)) \cdot E_0 \cos \omega t$$

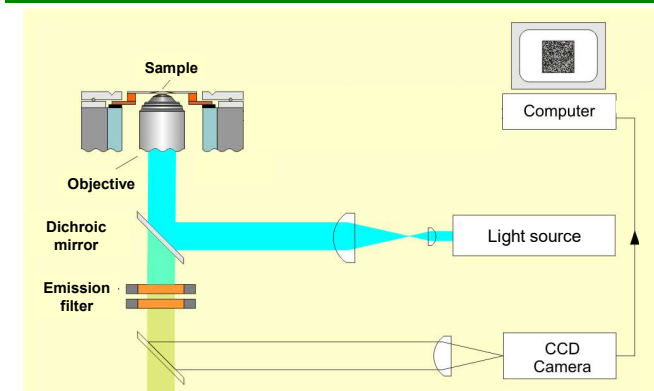
Phase contrast microscope



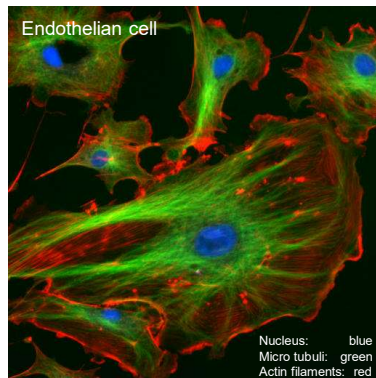
Absorption & Emission of Molecules



Fluorescence microscopy



Example



Specific Labelling through antibodies

