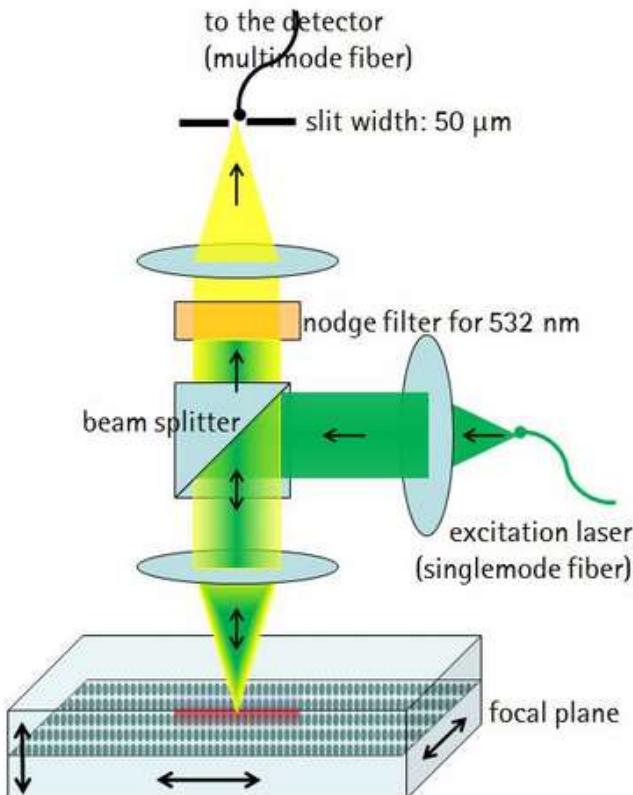


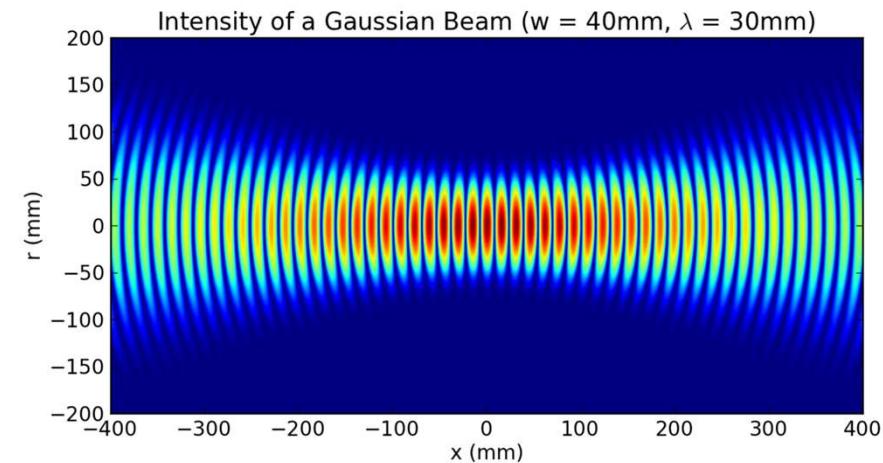
# Introduction of Gaussian Beam - Derivation of Laguerre-Gaussian mode -



Confocal Raman spectroscopy



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# Paraxial Helmholtz Equation

Wave Eq. for Electric field (we can obtain from the Maxwell Eq.)

$$\Delta \mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2}$$

When  $E // u \propto e^{-i\omega t}$ , we get the Helmholtz Eq.

$$\Delta u + k^2 u = 0 \quad (k = \omega/c)$$

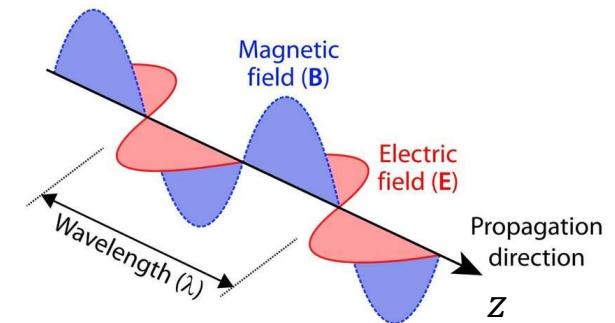
Propagating in the direction of  $z$ :  $u = f(x, y, z) e^{ikz}$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z^2} + 2ik \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = 0$$

Further if  $f$  changes slowly as a function of  $z$  compared with the wavelength

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z^2} \ll k \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \rightarrow \boxed{\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} + 2ik \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = 0} \quad (\text{Paraxial Helmholtz Equation})$$

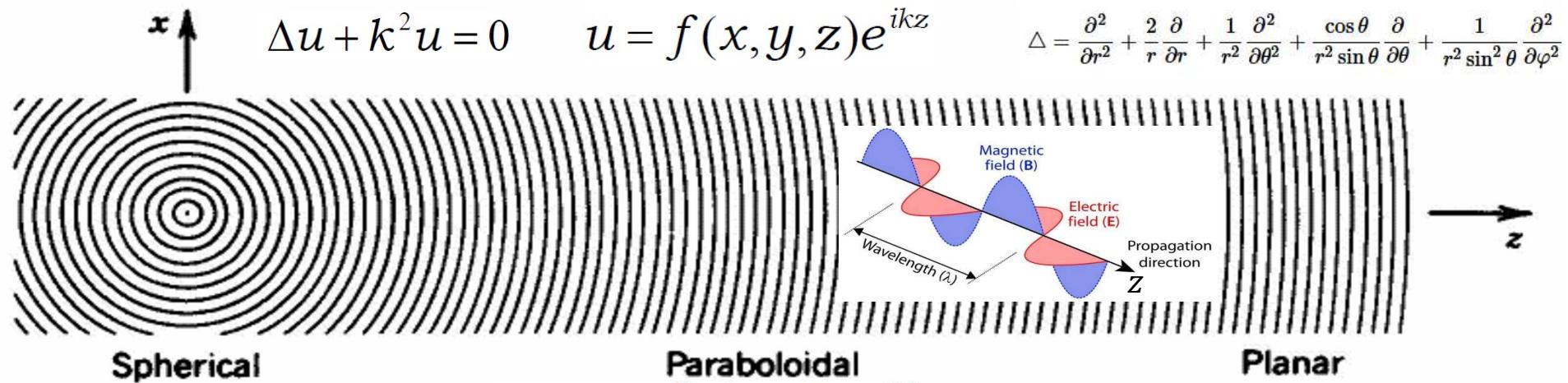
$$\kappa = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$



# Solutions of Paraxial Helmholtz Eq.

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} + 2ik \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = 0$$

(Paraxial Helmholtz Eq.)



**Spherical**

$$u(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{A}{r} e^{ikr} \longrightarrow$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} = \left( ik - \frac{1}{r} \right) u$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2} &= \left( ik - \frac{1}{r} \right)^2 u + \frac{u}{r^2} \\ &= \left( -\kappa^2 - \frac{2ik}{r} + \frac{2}{r^2} \right) u \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \kappa^2 \right) u = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} r &= (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{1/2} \\ &= z \left( 1 + \frac{x^2 + y^2}{z^2} \right)^{1/2} \\ &\approx z + \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2z} \end{aligned}$$

$$u(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{A}{z} \exp \left[ ik \left( z + \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2z} \right) \right]$$

$$\left( f = \frac{A}{z} \exp \left[ ik \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2z} \right] \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = f \cdot \left( \frac{ikx}{z} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = f \cdot \left( \frac{ikx}{z} \right)^2 + f \cdot \frac{ik}{z}$$

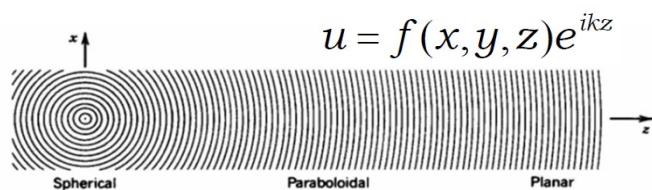
$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = f \cdot \left( \frac{iky}{z} \right)^2 + f \cdot \frac{ik}{z}$$

$$u(\mathbf{r}) = A e^{ikz} \quad (f = 1)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = -\frac{f}{z} + f \cdot \left( \frac{-ik(x^2 + y^2)}{2z^2} \right)$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} + 2ik \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = 0$$

# Gaussian beam



$$u = f(x, y, z)e^{ikz}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} + 2ik \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = 0 \quad (\text{Paraxial Helmholtz Eq.})$$

Paraboloidal wave

$$f = \frac{A}{z} \exp\left[ik \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2z}\right] \xrightarrow{z \rightarrow z - iz_0} f = \frac{A}{z - iz_0} \exp\left[ik \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2(z - iz_0)}\right] \text{ is also a solution}$$

Complex beam parameters :  $R(z), w(z)$

$$\frac{1}{z - iz_0} = \frac{z + iz_0}{z^2 + z_0^2} = \frac{1}{R(z)} + i \frac{2}{kw^2(z)} \longrightarrow R(z) \equiv z \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{z_0}{z} \right)^2 \right] \quad w(z) \equiv w_0 \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{z}{z_0} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \quad w_0 \equiv \left( \frac{2z_0}{k} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$f = \frac{A}{z - iz_0} \exp\left[ik \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2} \left( \frac{1}{R(z)} + i \frac{2}{kw^2(z)} \right)\right]$$

$$= A_0 \frac{w_0}{w(z)} \exp\left[-\frac{\rho^2}{w^2(z)}\right] \exp\left[ik \frac{\rho^2}{2R(z)} - i\zeta(z)\right]$$

$$\rho \equiv (x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}$$

$$A_0 = \frac{A}{z_0}$$

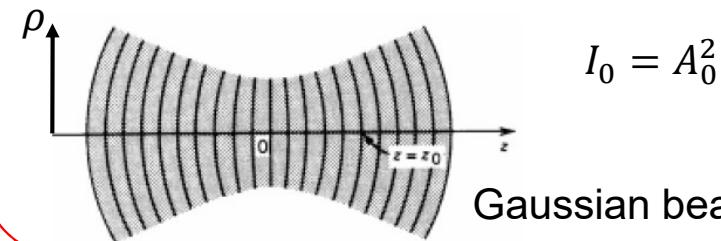
$$\zeta(z) = -\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{z_0}{z}\right)$$

amplitude      phase

$$u = fe^{ikz} = A_0 \frac{w_0}{w(z)} \exp\left[-\frac{\rho^2}{w^2(z)}\right] \exp\left[ik\left(z + \frac{\rho^2}{2R(z)}\right) - i\zeta(z)\right]$$

Intensity of the beam

$$I \equiv |u|^2 = I_0 \left[ \frac{w_0}{w(z)} \right]^2 \exp\left[-\frac{2\rho^2}{w^2(z)}\right]$$



$$\frac{1}{z - iz_0} = X e^{-i\zeta(z)}$$

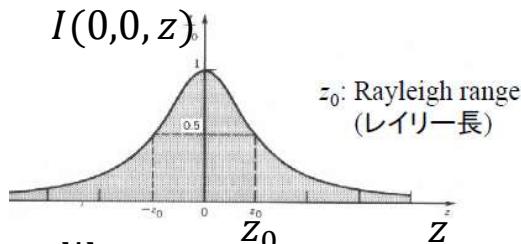
$$X = \left| \frac{z + iz_0}{z^2 + z_0^2} \right| = \left( \frac{1}{z^2 + z_0^2} \right)^{1/2} = \frac{1}{z_0} \left( 1 + \left( \frac{z}{z_0} \right)^2 \right)^{-1/2} = \frac{w_0}{z_0 w(z)}$$

$$e^{-i\zeta(z)} = \cos(\zeta(z)) - i\sin(\zeta(z)) \longrightarrow \tan(\zeta(z)) = -\frac{z_0}{z}$$

# Beam parameters

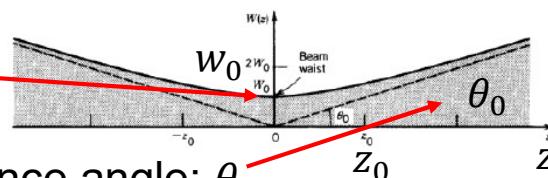
Rayleigh range  $z_0$  on z-axis ( $\rho = 0$ )

$$I(0,0,z) = I_0 \left[ \frac{w_0}{w(z)} \right]^2 = \frac{I_0}{1 + (z/z_0)^2}$$



Beam radius:  $w(z)$ , beam waist:  $w(0) = w_0$

$$w(z) = w_0 \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{z}{z_0} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \quad w_0 = \left( \frac{\lambda z_0}{\pi} \right)^{1/2}$$



Beam divergence:  $w(z) \propto z$ , divergence angle:  $\theta_0$

$$\theta_0 = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{w(z)}{z} = \frac{w_0}{z_0} = \frac{\lambda}{\pi w_0}$$

amplitude

$$u = f e^{ikz} = A_0 \frac{w_0}{w(z)} \exp \left[ -\frac{\rho^2}{w^2(z)} \right]$$

Gouy's phase

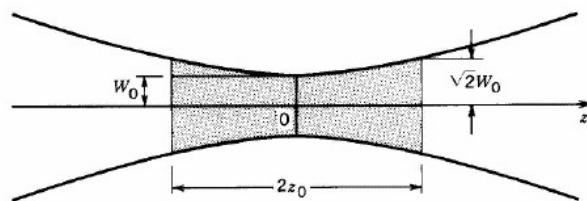
$$\exp \left[ ik \left( z + \frac{\rho^2}{2R(z)} \right) - i\zeta(z) \right]$$

$$\rho \equiv (x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}$$

Confocal parameter:  $2z_0$ , depth of focus

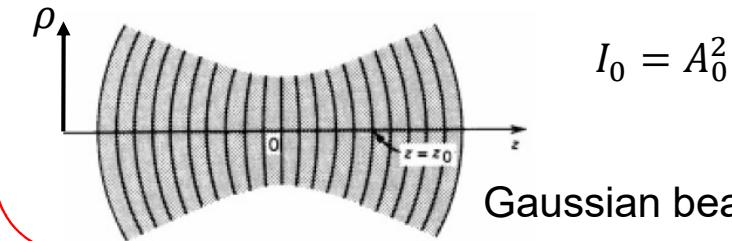
$$I(0,0,z_0) = \frac{I(0,0,0)}{2}$$

$$w(z_0) = \frac{w_0}{2}$$



Intensity of the beam

$$I \equiv |u|^2 = I_0 \left[ \frac{w_0}{w(z)} \right]^2 \exp \left[ -\frac{2\rho^2}{w^2(z)} \right]$$

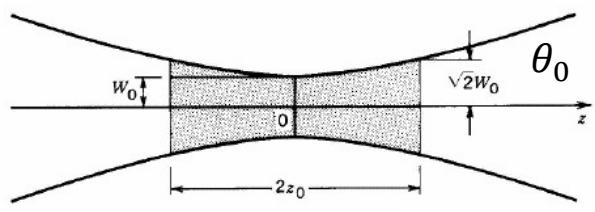


# Beam can not be focused $< 2w_0$

Conformal parameter:  $2z_0$ , depth of focus

$$I(0,0,z_0) = \frac{I(0,0,0)}{2}$$

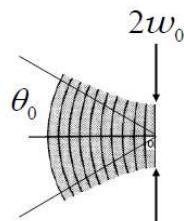
$$w(z_0) = \sqrt{2}w_0$$



Uncertainty principles:  $\Delta z \Delta p_z > \hbar/2$

$$\Delta z \sim w_0, \quad \Delta p_z \sim \frac{h}{\Delta z} = \frac{h}{w_0} \quad p_z = \frac{h}{\lambda}$$

$$\theta \equiv \frac{\Delta p_z}{p_z} = \frac{h}{w_0} \cdot \frac{\lambda}{h} = \frac{\lambda}{w_0} \longrightarrow w_0 \sim \frac{\lambda}{\theta} < \lambda \cdot \frac{2}{\pi} < \lambda, \quad (\theta < \frac{\pi}{2})$$

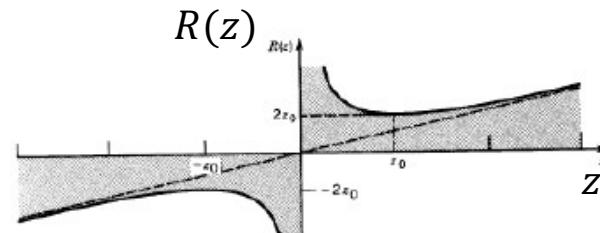


We can not focus less than  $\lambda$ !

Radius of wavefront:  $R(z)$

$$R(z) \equiv z \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{z_0}{z} \right)^2 \right] \xrightarrow{z \gg z_0} z$$

$$u \propto \exp \left[ ik \left( z + \frac{\rho^2}{2z} \right) \right]$$



$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} + 2ik \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = 0 \quad (\text{Paraxial Helmholtz Eq.})$$

$$R(z) \equiv z \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{z_0}{z} \right)^2 \right] \quad w(z) \equiv w_0 \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{z}{z_0} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \quad w_0 \equiv \left( \frac{2z_0}{k} \right)^{1/2}$$

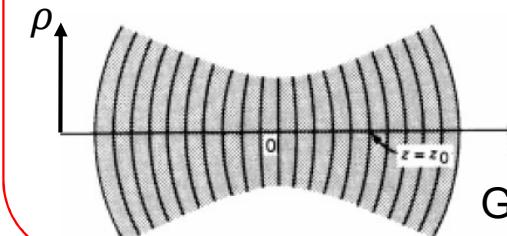
amplitude      Gouy's phase

$$u = fe^{ikz} = A_0 \frac{w_0}{w(z)} \exp \left[ -\frac{\rho^2}{w^2(z)} \right] \exp \left[ ik \left( z + \frac{\rho^2}{2R(z)} \right) - i\zeta(z) \right]$$

$$\rho \equiv (x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}$$

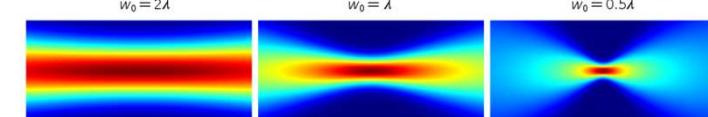
Intensity of the beam

$$I \equiv |u|^2 = I_0 \left[ \frac{w_0}{w(z)} \right]^2 \exp \left[ -\frac{2\rho^2}{w^2(z)} \right]$$



$$I_0 = A_0^2$$

Gaussian beam



# Higher order Gaussian Beam

## Hermite-Gaussian mode

$$u = f(x, y, z) e^{ikz}$$

$$u_J(x, z) = \left( \frac{\sqrt{2/\pi}}{2^J J! w_0} \right)^{1/2} \left( \frac{q_0}{q(z)} \right)^{1/2} \left( -\frac{q^*(z)}{q(z)} \right)^{J/2} H_J \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}x}{w(z)} \right) \exp \left( -i \frac{kx^2}{2q(z)} \right)$$

Lindlein N., Leuchs G. (2007) Wave Optics. pp152-155 In: Träger F. (eds)  
Springer Handbook of Lasers and Optics. Springer Handbooks. Springer, New York, NY

## Laguerre-Gaussian mode

$$u(r, \phi, z) = C_{lp}^{LG} \frac{w_0}{w(z)} \left( \frac{r\sqrt{2}}{w(z)} \right)^{|l|} \exp \left( -\frac{r^2}{w^2(z)} \right) L_p^{|l|} \left( \frac{2r^2}{w^2(z)} \right) \times \exp \left( -ik \frac{r^2}{2R(z)} \right) \exp(-il\phi) \exp(i\psi(z))$$

$$C_{lp}^{LG} = \sqrt{\frac{2p!}{\pi(p+|l|)!}} \Rightarrow \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_0^\infty r dr |u(r, \phi, z)|^2 = 1.$$

Since I could not find the derivation of Laguerre-Gaussian mode,  
hereafter I solved by myself!!

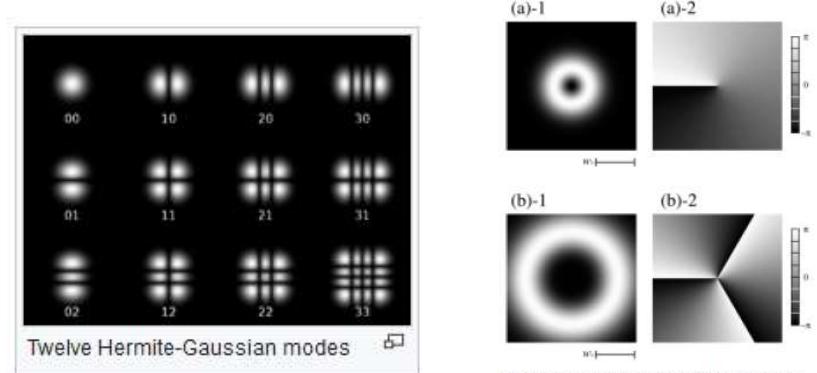


Fig. 1 Intensity distributions ((a)-1, (b)-1) and phase distributions ((a)-2, (b)-2) of Laguerre-Gaussian beams at beam waist. (a)  $p = 0, m = 1$ . (b)  $p = 0, m = 3$ .

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$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} - 2jk \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial z} = 0 \quad (11)$$

*b) Modes in Cylindrical Coordinates:* For a system with a cylindrical  $(r, \phi, z)$  geometry one uses a trial solution for (11) of the form

$$\psi = g \left( \frac{r}{w} \right) \cdot \exp \left\{ -j \left( P + \frac{k}{2q} r^2 + l\phi \right) \right\}. \quad (35)$$

After some calculation one finds

$$g = \left( \sqrt{2} \frac{r}{w} \right)^l \cdot L_p^l \left( 2 \frac{r^2}{w^2} \right) \quad (36)$$

where  $L_p^l$  is a generalized Laguerre polynomial, and  $p$  and  $l$  are the radial and angular mode numbers.  $L_p^l(x)$  obeys the differential equation

$$x \frac{d^2 L_p^l}{dx^2} + (l+1-x) \frac{d L_p^l}{dx} + p L_p^l = 0. \quad (37)$$

# Laguerre-Gaussian mode

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Paraxial Helmholtz Eq.

$$\frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial y^2} + 2i\kappa \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z} = 0$$

Cylindrical coordinate

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \varphi^2}$$

We assume the shape of  $\Psi$

$$\Psi = g \left( \frac{r}{w(z)} \right) \exp \left\{ -iP(z) + \frac{i\kappa}{2q(z)} r^2 - i\ell\varphi \right\} \equiv gF(r, \varphi, z)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial r} &= \frac{1}{w} g' F + \frac{i\kappa r}{q} g F \\ \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial r^2} &= \frac{1}{w^2} g'' F + \frac{2i\kappa r}{wq} g' F - \frac{\kappa^2 r^2}{q^2} g F + \frac{i\kappa}{q} g F \\ \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial \varphi^2} &= -\ell^2 g F \\ \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z} &= -\frac{rw'}{w^2} g' F + \left( -iP' - \frac{i\kappa q'}{2q^2} r^2 \right) g F \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{gF} \times \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \varphi^2} + 2i\kappa \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \Psi \\ &= \frac{1}{w^2} \frac{g''}{g} + \left( \frac{1}{wr} - \frac{2i\kappa rw'}{w^2} + \frac{2i\kappa r}{wq} \right) \frac{g'}{g} + \frac{2i\kappa}{q} - \frac{\ell^2}{r^2} + 2\kappa P' + \boxed{\frac{\kappa^2 q' r^2}{q^2} - \frac{\kappa^2 r^2}{q^2}} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

P. Helmholtz Eq. should not diverge for  $r \rightarrow \infty$   
 $\rightarrow q' = 1 (r \rightarrow \infty) \rightarrow q = z - iz_0$

$$\frac{\kappa^2 r^2}{q^2} (q' - 1)r^2 \propto r^2$$

# Variable separation

$$\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial y^2} + 2i\kappa \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z} = 0 \quad \Psi = g\left(\frac{r}{w(z)}\right) \exp\left\{-iP(z) + \frac{i\kappa}{2q(z)}r^2 - i\ell\varphi\right\} \equiv gF(r, \varphi, z)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{gF} \times \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \varphi^2} + 2i\kappa \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \Psi \\ &= \frac{1}{w^2} \frac{g''}{g} + \left( \frac{1}{wr} - \frac{2i\kappa rw'}{w^2} + \frac{2i\kappa r}{wq} \right) \frac{g'}{g} + \frac{2i\kappa}{q} - \frac{\ell^2}{r^2} + 2\kappa P' + \frac{\kappa^2 q' r^2}{q^2} - \frac{\kappa^2 r^2}{q^2} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

*(q' = 1)      = 0*

$$\frac{1}{w^2} \frac{g''}{g} + \left( \frac{1}{wr} - \frac{4r}{w^3} \right) \frac{g'}{g} + \frac{2i\kappa}{q} - \frac{\ell^2}{r^2} - 2\kappa P' = 0$$

$w(z), q(z), P(z)$  are functions of  $z$ .

Variable separation

$$\begin{cases} \frac{2i\kappa}{q} + 2\kappa P' \equiv f(z) \\ \frac{1}{w^2} \frac{g''}{g} + \left( \frac{1}{wr} - \frac{4r}{w^3} \right) \frac{g'}{g} - \frac{\ell^2}{r^2} = -f(z) \end{cases}$$

$\times w^2 g \quad \alpha \equiv w^2 f(z)$

$$\therefore g'' + \left( \frac{w}{r} - \frac{4r}{w} \right) g' - \left( \frac{w^2 \ell^2}{r^2} - \alpha \right) g = 0$$

Analogous to Gaussian beam

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{q} &= \frac{1}{R} + \frac{i\lambda}{\pi w^2}, \\ \text{square } \rightarrow \left( \frac{1}{q} \right)^2 &= \frac{1}{R^2} - \frac{\lambda^2}{\pi^2 w^4} + \frac{2i\lambda}{\pi R w^2} \\ \text{derivative } \rightarrow -\left( \frac{1}{q} \right)' &= \frac{q'}{q^2} = \frac{1}{q^2} = \frac{R'}{R^2} + \frac{2i\lambda w'}{\pi w^3} \end{aligned}$$

*(q' = 1)*

Compare real and imaginary parts

$$\therefore R' = 1 - \frac{\lambda^2 R^2}{\pi^2 w^4}, \quad w' = \frac{w}{R}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{wr} - \frac{2i\kappa rw'}{w^2} + \frac{2i\kappa r}{wq} &= \frac{1}{wr} - \frac{2i\kappa r}{wR} + \frac{2i\kappa r}{w} \left( \frac{1}{R} + \frac{i\lambda}{\pi w^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{wr} - \frac{2\kappa r \lambda}{\pi w^3} \\ &= \frac{1}{wr} - \frac{4r}{w^3} \quad (\kappa \lambda = 2\pi) \end{aligned}$$

# Laguerre differential Eq.

$$\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial y^2} + 2i\kappa \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z} = 0 \quad \Psi = g\left(\frac{r}{w(z)}\right) \exp\left\{-iP(z) + \frac{i\kappa}{2q(z)} r^2 - i\ell\varphi\right\} \equiv gF(r, \varphi, z)$$

$$\therefore g'' + \left(\frac{w}{r} - \frac{4r}{w}\right)g' - \left(\frac{w^2\ell^2}{r^2} - \alpha\right)g = 0$$

We assume the shape of  $g$

$$g\left(\frac{r}{w(z)}\right) = x^{\frac{\ell}{2}}L(x)$$

$$8x \frac{d^2g}{dx^2} + 4 \frac{dg}{dx} + \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{x}} - 2\sqrt{2x}\right) 2\sqrt{2x} \frac{dg}{dx} - \left(\frac{2\ell^2}{x} - \alpha\right) g = 0$$

$$8x \frac{d^2g}{dx^2} + (8 - 8x) \frac{dg}{dx} - \left(\frac{2\ell^2}{x} - \alpha\right) g = 0$$

$$8x^{\frac{\ell}{2}+1}L'' + 8\ell x^{\frac{\ell}{2}}L' + 2\ell(\ell-2)x^{\frac{\ell}{2}-1}L \\ + (8 - 8x)\left(x^{\frac{\ell}{2}}L' + \frac{\ell}{2}x^{\frac{\ell}{2}-1}L\right) - \left(\frac{2\ell^2}{x} - \alpha\right)x^{\frac{\ell}{2}}L = 0$$

$$\div 8x^{\frac{\ell}{2}}$$

$$xL'' + \ell L' + \ell(\ell-2)\frac{1}{4x}L + (1-x)\left(L' + \frac{\ell}{2x}L\right) - \left(\frac{\ell^2}{4x} - \frac{\alpha}{8}\right)L = 0$$

$$xL'' + (\ell+1-x)L' - \left(\frac{\ell}{2} - \frac{\alpha}{8}\right)L = 0$$

$$-\left(\frac{\ell}{2} - \frac{\alpha}{8}\right) \equiv n$$

$$xL'' + (\ell+1-x)L' + nL = 0$$

$$x = \frac{2r^2}{w^2}, \quad \frac{r}{w} = \sqrt{\frac{x}{2}}, \quad \frac{w}{r} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{x}}$$

$$\frac{dx}{d\left(\frac{r}{w}\right)} = \frac{4r}{w} = 4\sqrt{\frac{x}{2}} = 2\sqrt{2x}$$

$$\frac{d\sqrt{x}}{d\left(\frac{r}{w}\right)} = \frac{d\sqrt{x}}{dx} \frac{dx}{d\left(\frac{r}{w}\right)} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} 2\sqrt{2x} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$g' = \frac{dg}{d\left(\frac{r}{w}\right)} = \frac{dg}{dx} \frac{dx}{d\left(\frac{r}{w}\right)} = 2\sqrt{2x} \frac{dg}{dx}$$

$$g'' = 8x \frac{d^2g}{dx^2} + 4 \frac{dg}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dg}{dx} = x^{\frac{\ell}{2}}L' + \frac{\ell}{2}x^{\frac{\ell}{2}-1}L, \\ \frac{d^2g}{dx^2} = x^{\frac{\ell}{2}}L'' + \ell x^{\frac{\ell}{2}-1}L' + \frac{\ell}{2}\left(\frac{\ell}{2} - 1\right)x^{\frac{\ell}{2}-2}L$$

## Laguerre differential Eq.

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Step1

$$\Psi = g\left(\frac{r}{w(z)}\right) \exp\left\{-iP(z) + \frac{ik}{2q(z)} r^2 - i\ell\varphi\right\}$$

Step2  $q' = 1 \rightarrow q(z) = z + q_0 \equiv z - iz_0$

$$\text{Step3 } g\left(\frac{r}{w(z)}\right) = x^{\frac{\ell}{2}} L_n^{\ell}(x) \quad x = \frac{2r^2}{w^2}$$



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$$n \equiv -\left(\frac{\ell}{2} - \frac{\alpha}{8}\right) \equiv: \text{integer} \rightarrow L = L_n^{\ell}(x)$$

$$\alpha \equiv w^2 f(z) = 8n + 4\ell$$

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$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} - 2jk \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial z} = 0 \quad (11)$$

b) Modes in Cylindrical Coordinates: For a system with a cylindrical  $(r, \phi, z)$  geometry one uses a trial solution for (11) of the form

$$\psi = g\left(\frac{r}{w}\right) \cdot \exp\left\{-j\left(P + \frac{k}{2q} r^2 + l\phi\right)\right\}. \quad (35)$$

After some calculation one finds

$$g = \left(\sqrt{2} - \frac{r}{w}\right)^l \cdot L_p^l\left(2 \frac{r^2}{w^2}\right) \quad (36)$$

where  $L_p^l$  is a generalized Laguerre polynomial, and  $p$  and  $l$  are the radial and angular mode numbers.  $L_p^l(x)$  obeys the differential equation

$$x \frac{d^2 L_p^l}{dx^2} + (l + 1 - x) \frac{d L_p^l}{dx} + p L_p^l = 0. \quad (37)$$

Associated Laguerre polynomials:  $L_n^{\ell}$

$$L_0^{\ell}(x) = 1$$

$$L_1^{\ell}(x) = 1 + \ell - x$$

Recursion formula

$$L_{n+1}^{\ell}(x) = \frac{(2n + 1 + \ell - x)L_n^{\ell}(x) - (n + \ell)L_{n-1}^{\ell}(x)}{n + 1}$$

Rodrigues's Formula

$$L_n^{\ell}(x) = \frac{x^{-\ell} e^x}{n!} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} (e^{-x} x^{n+\ell})$$

Generating function

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} t^n L_n^{\ell}(x) = \frac{e^{-\frac{tx}{1-t}}}{(1-t)^{\ell+1}}$$

$\ell = 0$  Laguerre polynomials  $L_n^0 = L_n$

$$L_0(x) = 1$$

$$L_1(x) = -x + 1$$

$$L_2(x) = x^2 - 4x + 2$$

$$L_3(x) = -x^3 + 9x^2 - 18x + 6$$

Recursion formula

$$x \frac{d}{dx} L_n(x) = n L_n(x) - n^2 L_{n-1}(x)$$

$$L_{n+1}(x) = (2n + 1 - x)L_n(x) - n^2 L_{n-1}(x)$$

## Compare with Gaussian beam

$$xL_n^{\ell''} + (\ell+1-x)L_n^{\ell'} + nL_n^\ell = 0$$

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$$\Psi = g\left(\frac{r}{w(z)}\right) \exp\left\{-iP(z) + \frac{i\kappa}{2q(z)} r^2 - i\ell\varphi\right\} \equiv gF(r, \varphi, z)$$

$$g\left(\frac{r}{w(z)}\right) = x^{\frac{\ell}{2}} L_n^{\ell}(x) \quad q' = 1 \rightarrow q \equiv z - iz_0$$

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$$\frac{2ik}{q} + 2\kappa P' \equiv f(z) = \frac{8n + 4\ell}{w^2} \stackrel{\div 2i}{\rightarrow} \frac{1}{q} = iP' - \frac{(4n + 2\ell)i}{w^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{R} + \frac{2i}{\kappa w^2} = iP' - \frac{i(4n + 2\ell)}{\kappa w^2}$$

$$iP' = \frac{1}{R} + \frac{2i}{\kappa w^2} + \frac{i(4n + 2\ell)}{\kappa w^2} = \frac{1}{R} + \frac{i(4n + 2\ell + 2)}{\kappa w^2}$$

$$P' = \frac{1}{iR} + \frac{(4n + 2\ell + 2)}{\kappa w^2} = \frac{z}{i(z^2 + z_0^2)} + \frac{z_0(2n + \ell + 1)}{(z^2 + z_0^2)}$$

$$P = \int_0^z P' dz = \frac{\log \frac{z^2 + z_0^2}{z_0^2}}{2i} + (2n + \ell + 1)\psi(z)$$

$$\exp\{-iP(z)\} = \left(1 + \frac{z^2}{z_0^2}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times \exp\{-i(2n + \ell + 1)\psi(z)\}$$

## Gaussian beam

$$\frac{1}{q(z)} = \frac{1}{z - iz_0} = \frac{z + iz_0}{z^2 + z_0^2} = \frac{1}{R(z)} + i \frac{2}{\kappa w^2(z)}$$

$$\frac{1}{R(z)} = \frac{z}{z^2 + z_0^2}, \quad \frac{2}{\kappa w^2(z)} = \frac{z_0}{z^2 + z_0^2},$$

$$f = \frac{A}{z - iz_0} \exp\left[ik \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2(z - iz_0)}\right] \quad A_0 = \frac{A}{z_0}$$

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$$= A_0 \frac{w_0}{w(z)} \exp\left[-\frac{\rho^2}{w^2(z)}\right] \exp\left[ik \frac{\rho^2}{2R(z)} - i\zeta(z)\right]$$

$$\int_0^z dz \frac{z}{(z^2 + z_0^2)} = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{z^2 + z_0^2}{z_0^2} \quad \tan(\zeta(z)) = -\frac{z_0}{z}$$

$$\int_0^z dz \frac{z_0}{(z^2 + z_0^2)} = \arctan\left(\frac{z}{z_0}\right) \equiv \psi(z) = \frac{\pi}{2} + \zeta(z)$$

# Solution of Laguerre Gauss mode

Paraxial Helmholtz Eq.

$$\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial y^2} + 2ik \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z} = 0 \quad -\left(\frac{\ell}{2} - \frac{\alpha}{8}\right) \equiv n: \text{integer}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi &= g\left(\frac{r}{w(z)}\right) \exp\left\{-iP(z) + \frac{i\kappa}{2q(z)} r^2 - i\ell\varphi\right\} \\ g\left(\frac{r}{w(z)}\right) &= x^{\frac{\ell}{2}} L_n^{\ell}(x) = \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}r}{w(z)}\right)^{\ell} L_n^{\ell}\left(\frac{2r^2}{w^2(z)}\right) \quad x = \frac{2r^2}{w^2} \\ \exp\{-iP(z)\} &= \left(1 + \frac{z^2}{z_0^2}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times \exp\{-i(2n + \ell + 1)\psi(z)\} \\ \exp\left\{\frac{i\kappa}{2q(z)} r^2\right\} &= \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{w^2(z)}\right) \exp\left(i\kappa \frac{r^2}{2R(z)}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi &= \frac{w_0}{w(z)} \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}r}{w(z)}\right)^{\ell} L_n^{\ell}\left(\frac{2r^2}{w^2(z)}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{w^2(z)}\right) \exp\left(i\kappa \frac{r^2}{2R(z)} - i\ell\varphi - i(2n + \ell + 1)\psi(z)\right) \\ xL_n^{\ell''}(x) + (\ell + 1 - x)L_n^{\ell'}(x) + nL_n^{\ell}(x) &= 0 \quad x = \frac{2r^2}{w^2} \\ R(z) &= z \left\{1 + \left(\frac{z_0}{z}\right)^2\right\}, \quad w(z) = w_0 \left\{1 + \left(\frac{z}{z_0}\right)^2\right\}^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad w_0 \equiv \left(\frac{2z_0}{\kappa}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad \psi(z) \equiv \arctan\left(\frac{z}{z_0}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Gaussian beam

$$\frac{1}{q(z)} = \frac{1}{z - iz_0} = \frac{z + iz_0}{z^2 + z_0^2} = \frac{1}{R(z)} + i \frac{2}{kw^2(z)}$$

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# Comparison with previous solutions for Laguerre Gauss modes

Present results  $\frac{\partial\Psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial\Psi}{\partial y^2} + 2i\kappa \frac{\partial\Psi}{\partial z} = 0 \quad -\left(\frac{\ell}{2} - \frac{\alpha}{8}\right) \equiv n: \text{integer}$

$$\Psi = \frac{w_0}{w(z)} \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}r}{w(z)} \right)^\ell L_n^\ell \left( \frac{2r^2}{w^2(z)} \right) \exp \left( -\frac{r^2}{w^2(z)} \right) \exp \left( ik \frac{r^2}{2R(z)} - i\ell\varphi - i(2n + \ell + 1)\psi(z) \right)$$

$$xL_n^\ell''(x) + (\ell + 1 - x)L_n^\ell'(x) + nL_n^\ell(x) = 0 \quad x = \frac{2r^2}{w^2}$$

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$$\frac{\partial\Psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial\Psi}{\partial y^2} - 2i\kappa \frac{\partial\Psi}{\partial z} = 0$$

$$u(r, \phi, z) = C_{lp}^{LG} \frac{w_0}{w(z)} \left( \frac{r\sqrt{2}}{w(z)} \right)^{|l|} \exp \left( -\frac{r^2}{w^2(z)} \right) L_p^{|l|} \left( \frac{2r^2}{w^2(z)} \right) \times \exp \left( -ik \frac{r^2}{2R(z)} \right) \exp(-il\phi) \exp(i\psi(z)) .$$

$$C_{lp}^{LG} = \sqrt{\frac{2p!}{\pi(p+|l|)!}} \Rightarrow \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_0^\infty r dr |u(r, \phi, z)|^2 = 1.$$

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$$LG_{l,p}(\rho, \varphi, z) := u(r) = E_0 \frac{W_0}{W(z)} \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}\rho}{W(z)} \right)^{|l|} L_p^{|l|} \left[ \frac{2\rho^2}{W^2(z)} \right] \times \exp \left( -\frac{\rho^2}{W^2(z)} \right) \exp \left( ik \frac{\rho^2}{2R(z)} + i\Phi_G(z) + i\ell\varphi \right). \quad (6)$$

Here  $W_0$  is the beam waist,  $W(z) = W_0 \sqrt{1 + \frac{z^2}{z_r^2}}$  is the beam width and  $z_r = k \frac{W_0^2}{2}$  is the Rayleigh range. The Gouy phase  $\Phi_G(z) = -(|\ell| + 2p + 1) \arctan \left( \frac{z}{z_r} \right)$  refers to a phase shift when passing through the focus of the beam,  $L_p^{|l|}[x]$  are the associated Laguerre polynomials and  $R(z) = z \left( 1 + \frac{z^2}{z_r^2} \right)$  is the phase front radius. The OAM  $\ell$  induces the azimuthal

Gaussian beam  $n = \ell = 0, L_0^0(x) = 1$

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$$u_{p,l}^{LG}(r, \phi, z) = C_{p,l}^{LG} \frac{1}{w(z)} \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}r}{w(z)} \right)^{|l|} L_p^{|l|} \left( \frac{2r^2}{w^2(z)} \right) \exp(-il\phi) \times \exp \left[ -\frac{r^2}{w^2(z)} \right] \exp \left[ -\frac{ikr^2}{2R(z)} \right] \exp[i(2p + |l| + 1)\psi(z)] \quad (1)$$