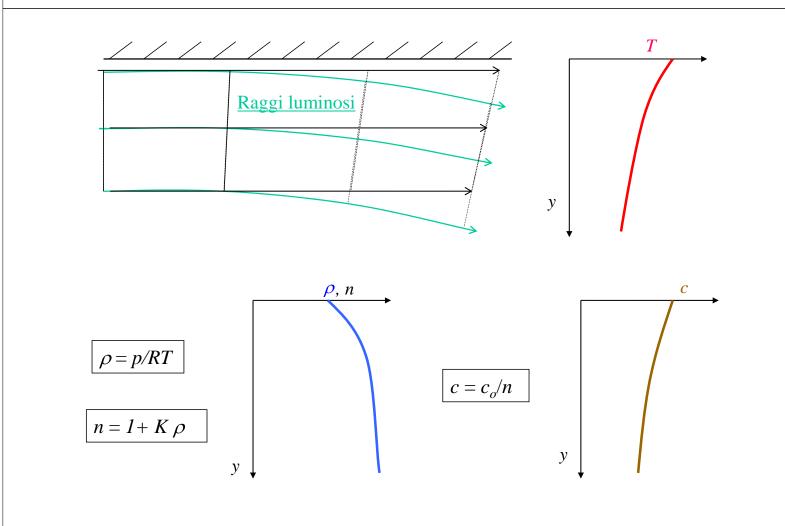
METODI OTTICI

Raggio luminoso

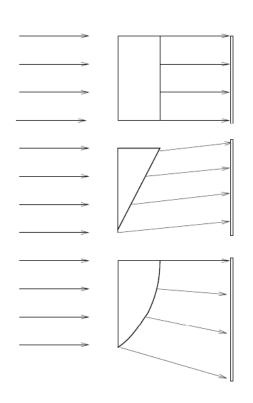
$$c = c_o/n$$

Gladstone-Dale Law: $n-1=K \rho$

n grande, c piccola



Deflection of light rays



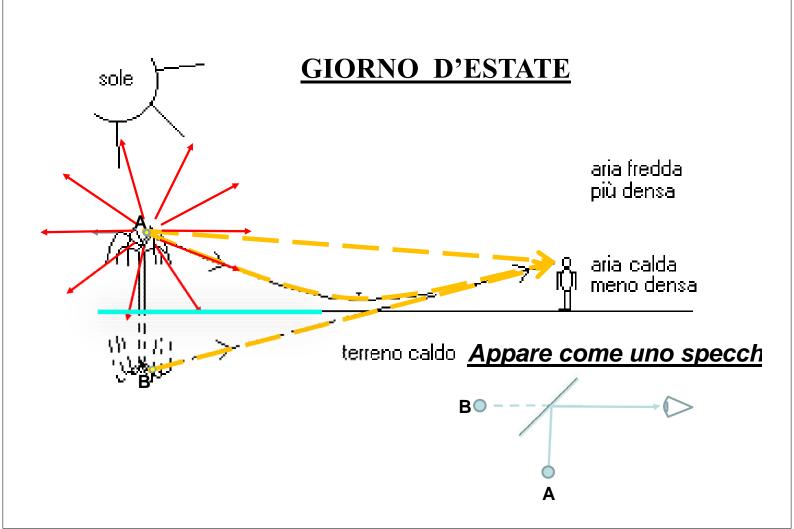
Constant density

Constant density gradient

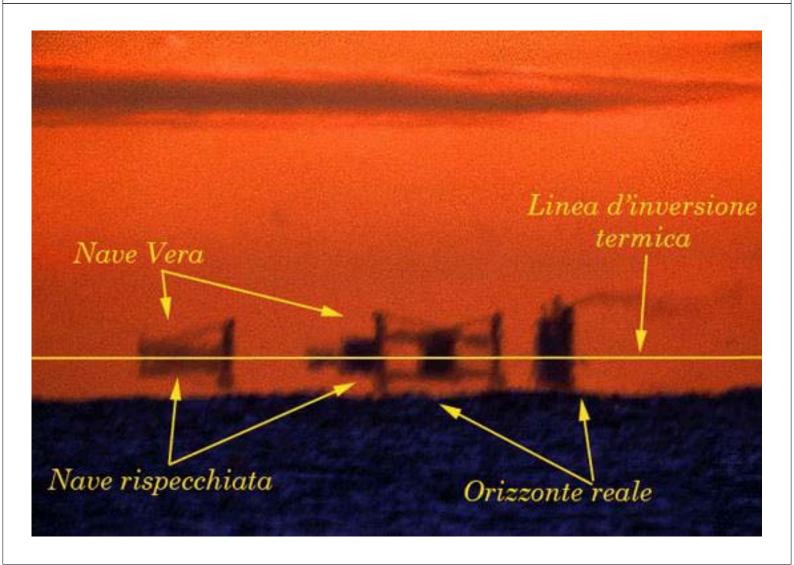
Constant second derivative

see Merzkirch [1974]

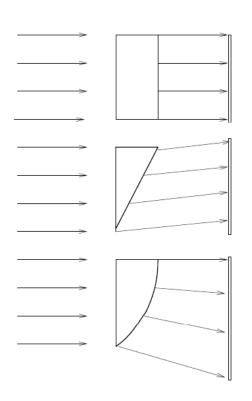
Gladstone-Dale Law: $n-1=K \rho$







Deflection of light rays



Constant density

Constant density gradient

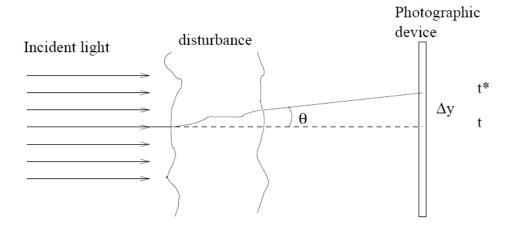
Constant second derivative

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Legge di Gladstone-Dale: $n - 1 = K \rho$

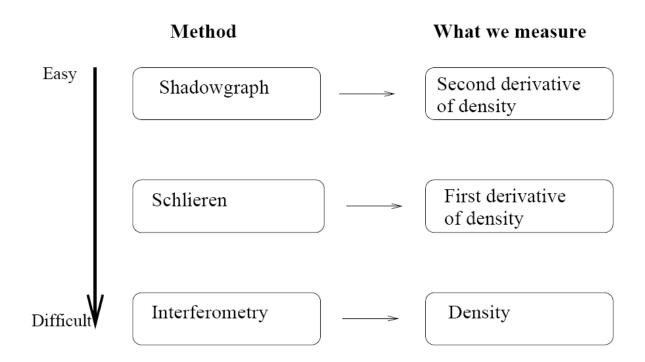
What do we see?

Looking through a fluid



- Shadowgraph measure Δy
- Schlieren measure ⊖
- Mach-Zendner Interferometer measure phase-shift $\Delta\omega=2\pi(t^{-1}-t*^{-1})$

See the light



Shadowgraph

Measurement

Pionered by Dvorak (1880)

Shadowgraph

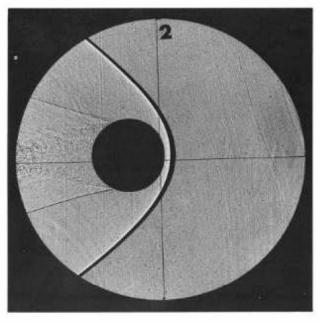


Fig. 3.10 Shadowgraph of a sphere flying at a Mach number of M=1.7. (From Seile, 1988.)

Picture copied from Merzkirch (1974)

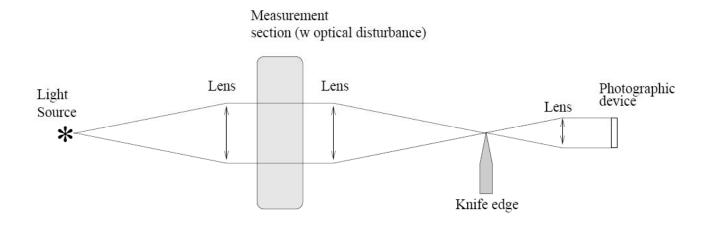
Schlieren

- Attributed to Focault (1859) and Toepler (1864) (dep. on national preference)
- Used by Focault to check quality of lenses and mirrors
- Elaborated by Toepler

Now often referred to as the "Toepler method"

Schlieren

- Idea: Introduce knife edge at focal point
 - light bent down is removed → darker-spots
 - light bent up is kept → brighter-spots
- Direction of density gradient known



Schlieren - example

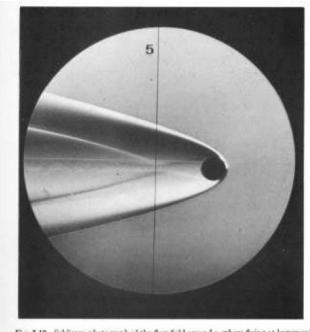


Fig. 3.18 Schlieren photograph of the flow field around a sphere flying at hypersonic speed. (From Stilp and Merzkirch, Ernst-Mach-Institut, Freiburg, Germany.)