

Core-shift and group delays

Let \vec{s}_0 be a reference position.

Core-shift causes source displacement $\vec{s}_0 + \kappa/f^r$.

$\tau_{\text{geom},0}$ is geometric path delay to \vec{s}_0 . Then $\tau_f = \tau_{\text{geom},0} + \frac{\partial \tau}{\partial d} \frac{\kappa}{f^r}$, where d is unit direction of the core-shift.

Fringe phase when there is no core-shift

$$\phi = \phi_0 + 2\pi \tau(f - f_0) + \dot{\tau}(t - t_0)$$

and when there is core-shift:

$$\phi = \phi_0 + 2\pi \tau_{\text{geom},0}(f - f_0) + \dot{\tau}(t - t_0) + \frac{\partial \tau}{\partial d} \frac{\kappa}{f^{r-1}} - \frac{\partial \tau}{\partial d} f_0 \frac{\kappa}{f^r}$$

When $r = 1$

$$\phi = \phi_0 + 2\pi \tau_{\text{geom},0}(\mathbf{f} - \mathbf{f}_0) + \dot{\tau}(\mathbf{t} - \mathbf{t}_0) + \frac{\partial \tau}{\partial \mathbf{d}} \kappa - \frac{\partial \tau}{\partial \mathbf{d}} \mathbf{f}_0 \kappa \frac{1}{\mathbf{f}}$$

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