## **Optic Coherence** Tomography

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- non contact non invasive
- micron resolution
- cross-sectional study of retina
- correlates very well with the retinal histology

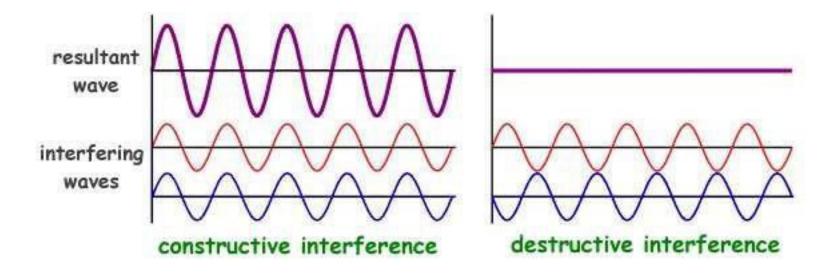
Principle –

Low coherence interferometry



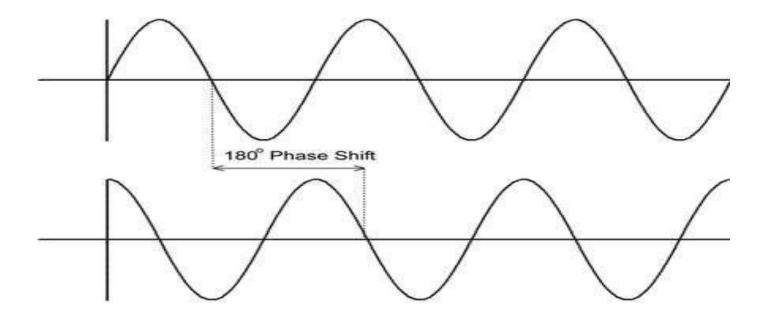
#### INTERFERENCE

• In physics, interference is a phenomenon in which two waves superimpose to form a resultant wave of greater or lower amplitude

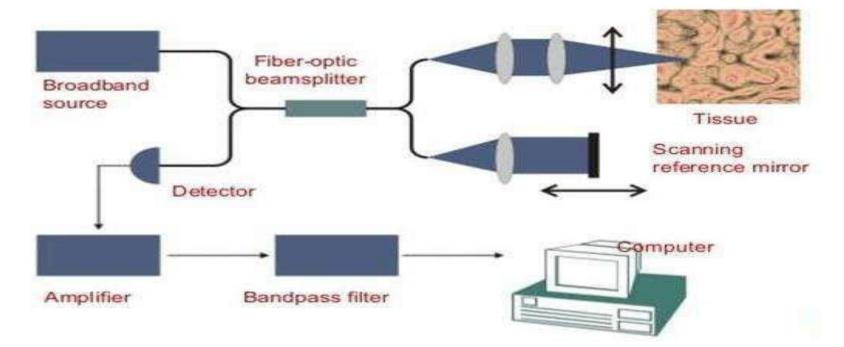


### COHERENCE

• In physics two waves are coherent if they have a constant phase difference and same frequency and are non coherent if there is a constant changing phase difference



#### THE OCT SETUP



### Types of oct

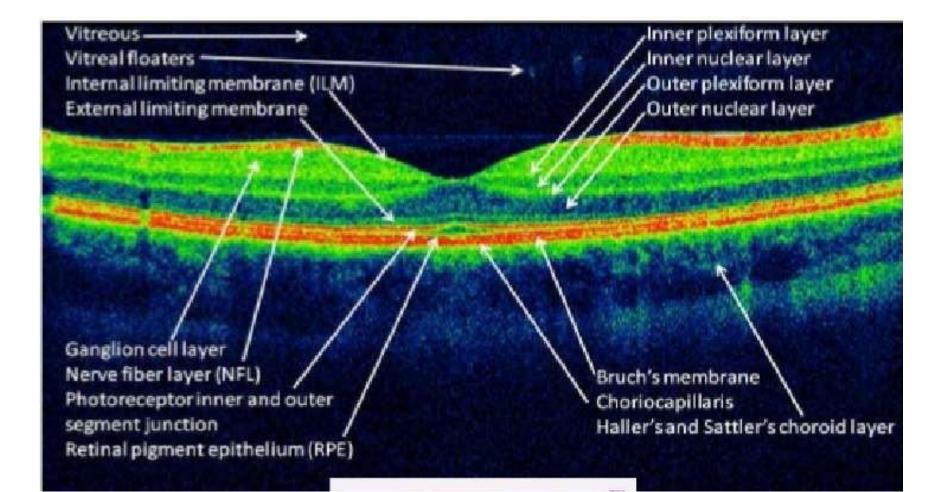
#### • Time domain

- Reference mirror moves
- 1 pixel at a time
- Slow
- Motion artifacts present
- Less sharp images

#### Spectral domain

- Reference mirror stationary
- 2048 pixel at a time
- Rapid
- No motion artifacts
- Sharper and clear images

## Anatomy of Retina on OCT



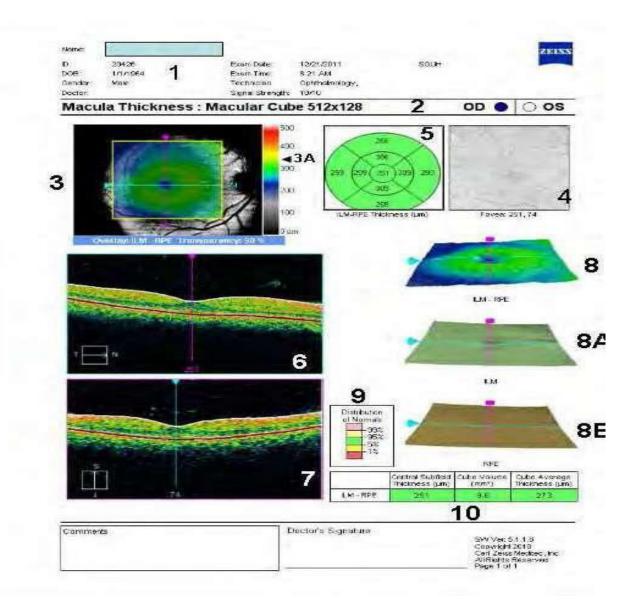
## Type of Scan

### > POSTERIOR SEGMENT SCAN

- MACULAR SCAN
- OPTIC DISC SCAN
- RNFL THICKNESS ANALYSIS SCAN

#### > ANTERIOR SEGMENT SCAN

#### **PRINT OUT**



- ADVANTAGES OF OCT
- Its <u>noncontact</u> unlike USG, and <u>noninvasive</u>, unlike FFA,ICG.
- <u>Children</u> easily tolerate it.
- Very helpful for <u>quantitative</u> information about <u>macular thickness</u>.
- Valuable <u>teaching tool</u> for the ophthalmologist as well as patient.

#### • **DISADVANTAGES**

- Media opacity.
- Scan <u>quality</u> depends on the skill of <u>OCT operator</u>.
- Not possible with <u>uncooperative patients</u>.
- Measurement of Fovea Thickness not accurate if scan not through the center of fovea.

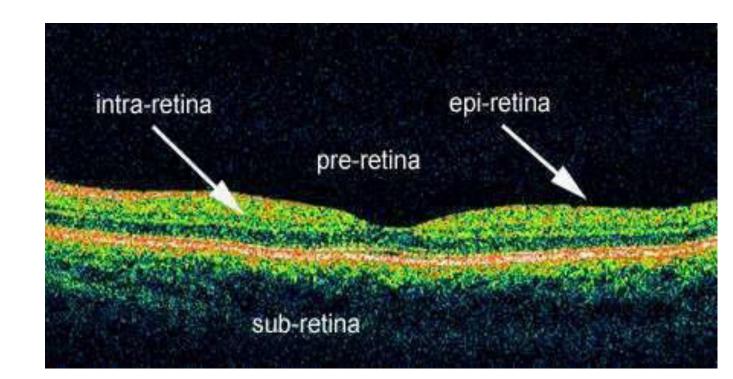
## Uses/ indications

- >Neurological
- > Ophthalmological
- >Other uses

## **Opthalmological uses**

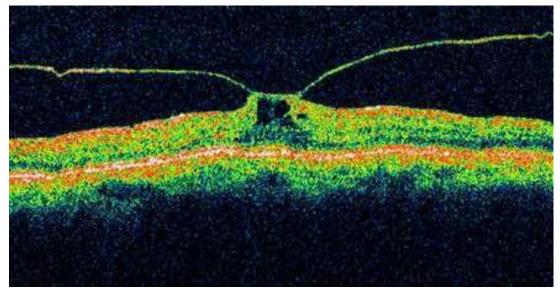
➢ For purposes of analysis, the OCT image of the retina can be subdivided vertically into four regions

- Pre-retina
- Epi-retina
- Intra-retina
- Sub-retina



### Pre retinal and epiretinal pathology

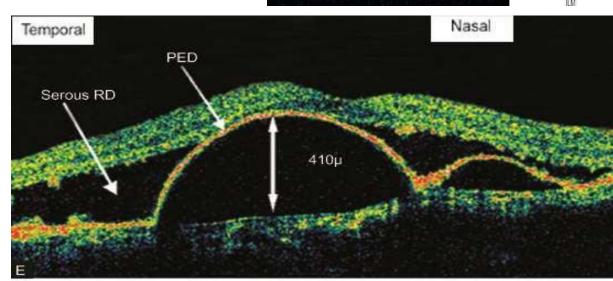
- > Anomalous structures
- pre-retinal membrane
- epi-retinal membrane
- vitreo-retinal strands
- vitreo-retinal traction



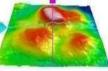
- pre-retinal neovascular membrane
- pre-papillary neovascular membrane

## Intra retinal pathology

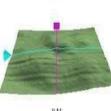
- Choroidal neovascular membrane
- Diffuse intra-retinal edema
- Cystoid macular edema
- Drusen
- Hard exudates
- Scar tissue
- RPE tear



ILM



ILM - RPE

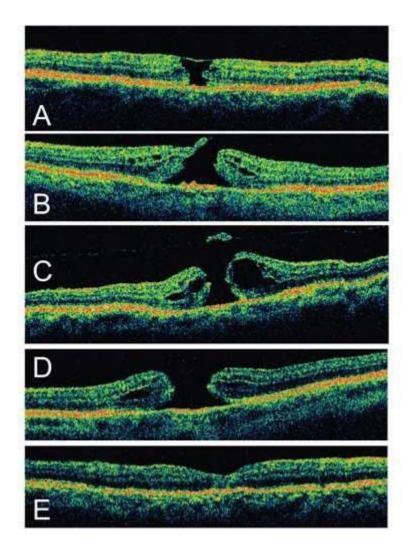


• Scan of posterior segment pathology

### **1.Macular Hole**

•confirmation of diagnosis and differentiates it from lamellar hole, foveal pseudo cyst.

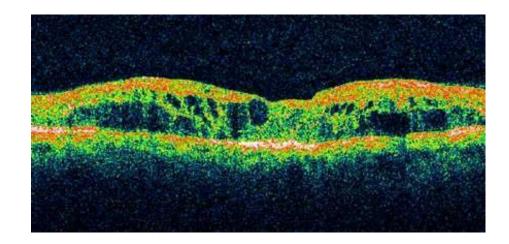
•monitoring the course of the disease and the response to surgical intervention.



### 2.Macular Edema

•: intraretinal areas of decreased reflectivity and retinal thickening.

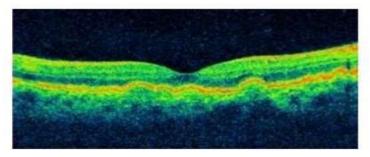
•Round, optically clear regions within the neurosensory retina are noted in cystoid macular edema.



Drusens- seen between bruch's membrane and RPE

### 3. ARMD

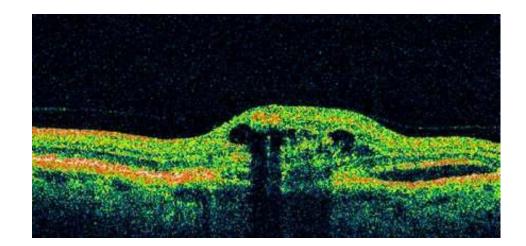
•Morphological changes in the no<sub>n</sub> exudative ARMD.



· hyperreflective bumpy RPE with localised PED

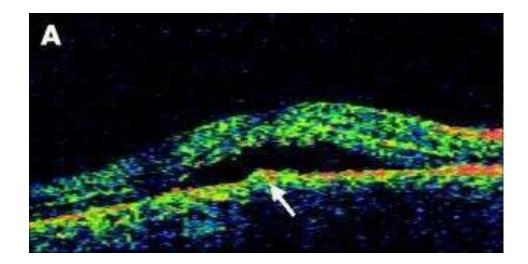
•Subretinal fluid, intraretinal thicke ning and

•sometimes, choroidal neovascularization in exudative ARMD.



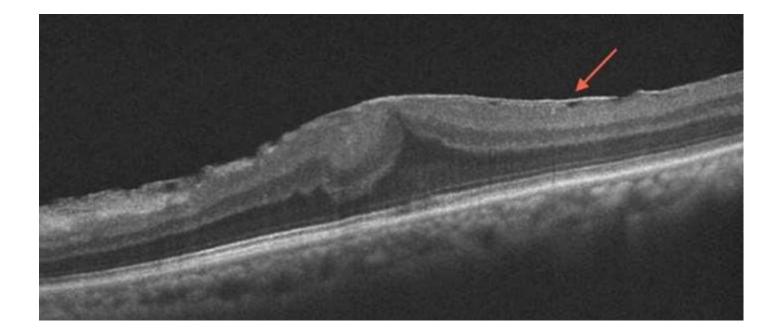
### 4. Central serous retinopathy

 area of decreased reflectiv ity between two hyper reflective areas



#### 5. Epiretinal membrane:

highly reflective diaphanous membrane over the surface of retina.



### OCT IN GLAUCOMA

> Diagnosing and monitoring the glaucomatous change.

Evaluating the RNFL for early (pre- perimetric) glaucoma detection.

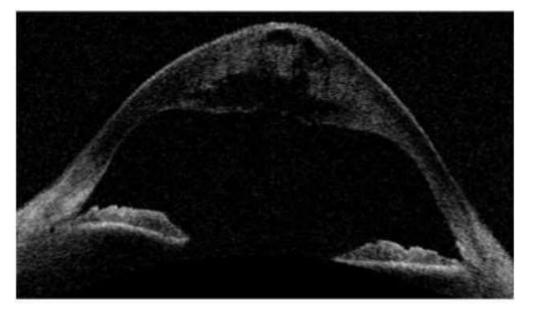
Evaluation of cystoid macular edema after combined cataract and glaucoma surgery.

## ANTERIOR SEGMENT OCT

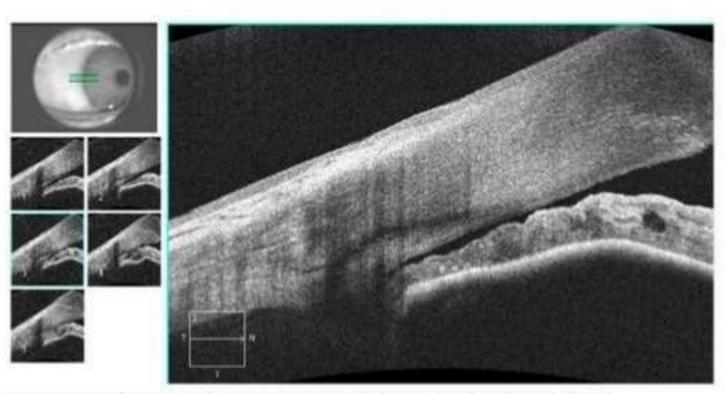
> Corneal thickness and keratoconus evaluation

> Anterior chamber angle

Assessing the fit of
intraocular lens implants



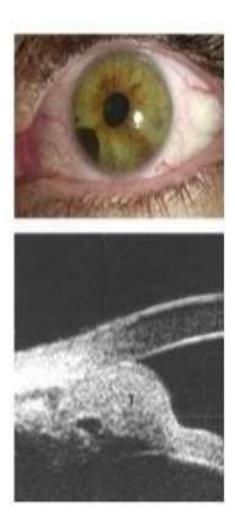
> Results of corneal implants



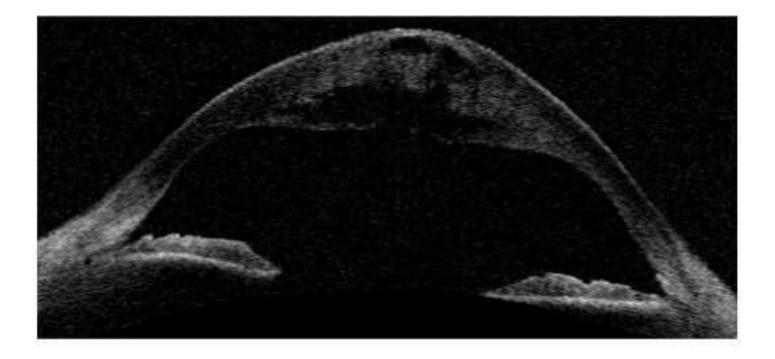
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#### Narrowing of angle of anterior chamber

### Tumor of the iris



#### Keratoconus



· Conical cornea with central stromal thinning

## Limitations

Quality of OCT depends on the transparency of the ocular media

> OCT is operator dependent

≻The statistical analysis is based on a control population, which may not be accurate depending on the population studied

# Thank you