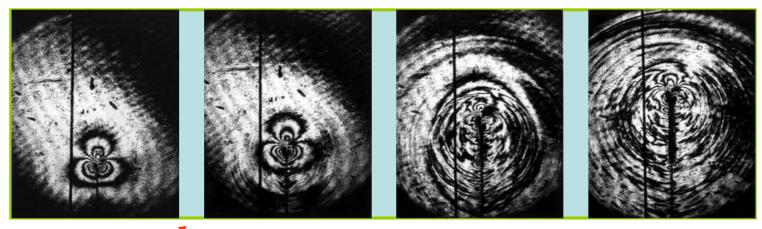
INVENTING CGS FOR THE U.S. NAVY

"Studies of Dynamic Fracture of Solids"

• CGS was invented in 1988 and applied to the study of dynamic crack growth (~1000m/s) in metals and polymers. Project funded by ONR



A crack propagating dynamically in C-300 steel (CGS interferograms)

A crack propagating intersonically in a unidirectional composite laminate (shock waves are visible)

CGS measures crack- induced surface slopes and relates them to the dynamic fracture strength of the material

