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Computing the Influence Functions of an Adaptive Optics Large Deformable Mirror: the Numerical Method and the Experimental Data

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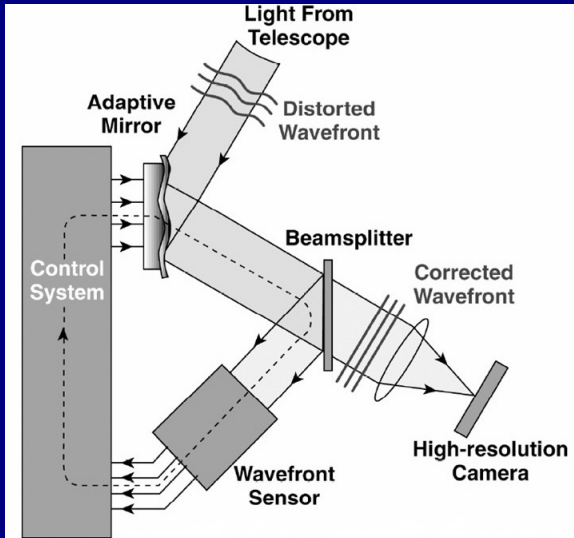
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R_o/R_i physical outer/inner radii
 K_f/K_b front/back surface conic constants
 R_f/R_b front/back surface optical radii
 t_m mean thickness
 N total number of actuators

	LBT	VLT
R_o	455.5 mm	558 mm
R_i	28 mm	48 mm
t_m	1.6 mm	2.0 mm
R_b	1994.9 mm	4575.30 mm
K_b	0	0
R_f	1974.24 mm	4575.3 mm
K_f	-0.7330	-1.66926
N	672	1170

Concave Large Binocular Telescope DM [Riccardi et al., 2010]
Convex Very Large Telescope DM [Biasi et al., 2012]



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Approximation I: Functioning the Geometry

From the Optical Parameters to the Full Axi-symmetric Shell

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- Matlab generation of $z(r)$, $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$

front surface $z_f = z_f(r, K_f, R_f)$

back surface $z_b = z_b(r, K_b, R_b)$

- fitting with polynomials of degree $M = 9$:

$$\text{mean surface } z = \frac{1}{2}(z_f + z_b) = \sum_{i=1}^{M+1} V(i)r^{M+1-i}$$

$$\text{normal } \varphi = -\arctan\left(\frac{dz}{dr}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{M+1} P(i)r^{M+1-i}$$

$$\text{thickness } t = |z_f - z_b| = \sum_{i=1}^{M+1} Q(i)r^{M+1-i}$$

Approximation II: Replacing the Magnet

From the 3D Puck to a 6-Elements Load Spreader

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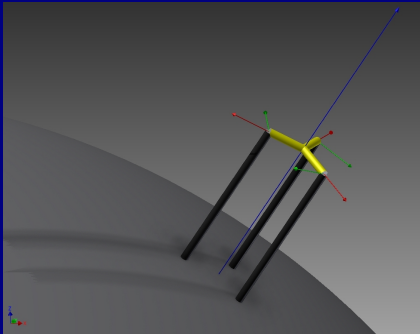
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K_p (the puck axial stiffness under a body load) is computed via a full 3d model

- 3 trusses, $K = EA/l = K_p/3 \hookrightarrow$ 3 glue contacts, $r = 50 \mu\text{m}$
- trusses \leftarrow 3 beams, $K = \infty \Rightarrow$ actual push/pull node
- 3 local r and 3 local θ constraints



Approximation III: Replacing the Trusses

What the FEM Looks Like

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One more approximation

fake beams ($I_{yy} = I_{zz} = J \approx 0$) instead of trusses
(EVEN IF A COMSOL WORK-AROUND IS AVAILABLE)

	LBT	VLT
shell elements	19144	32824
beam elements	4032	7020
dof's	253×10^3	434×10^6



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Respecting the DM Convexity or Concavity

Too Many Coordinate Systems Cause Comsol to Hang

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The *global-to-local* and *local-to-global* transformation matrices **G2L** and **L2G = G2L⁻¹**

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BUT ... Comsol hangs up

Avoid 672 and 170 auxiliary coordinate systems.
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Functioning Restraint and Force Equations I

The Coordinate Definitions

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P_I	$N \times 3$	interface nodes (truss/beam intersection)	$X_{I_{i,j}}, Y_{I_{i,j}}$
A_I	$N \times 3$	interface angles (truss/beam intersection)	ψ_j
P_F	N	actuation nodes (beam intersections)	X_{F_i}, Y_{F_i}

$$i = 1, 2, \dots, 3N$$
$$j = 1, 2, 3$$

$\psi = 0, \pm(2/3)\pi$ for $j = 1, 2, 3$ are defined wrt the actuation axis



Functioning Restraint and Force Equations II

The Interpolation Function

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Matlab generation of a $4N \times 5$ matrix whose rows from i to $i + 4$ are defined as

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_{I_i,1} & Y_{I_i,1} & X_{F_i} & Y_{F_i} & \psi_1 \\ X_{I_i,2} & Y_{I_i,2} & X_{F_i} & Y_{F_i} & \psi_2 \\ X_{I_i,3} & Y_{I_i,3} & X_{F_i} & Y_{F_i} & \psi_3 \\ X_{F_i} & Y_{F_i} & X_{F_i} & Y_{F_i} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

This matrix is used as table data source of the Comsol *nearest neighbor* interpolation function $\Gamma(x, y)$.

$\Gamma(\zeta_{i,j}, \eta_{i,j})$, where $(\zeta_{i,j} = X_{F_i}, \eta_{i,j} = Y_{F_i})$

- associates to the P_I coordinates the coordinates of the correspondent P_F
- defines for each P_I the three angles $\Theta_{i,j} = \psi_j$.



Functioning Restraint and Force Equations III

The Final Implementation

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- Defining

- $\rho = \sqrt{\zeta^2 + \eta^2}$
- $\theta' = \arctan(\eta/\zeta)$
- $\varphi' = \sum_{i=1}^{M+1} P'(i)\rho^{M+1-i}$

- Recalling

- $\mathbf{u} = [u; v; w]$ displacement vector in the global cs

- Substituting in **G2L**

- θ with θ'
- φ with φ'

local displacement in the cs relative to each actuation axis

$$\mathbf{u}_l = [u_l; v_l; w_l] = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{u}$$



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- N pointwise constraints in (1) apply the strokes to P_F
- $3N$ pointwise constraints (2) and (3) radially and tangentially (in the cylindrical local cs of each actuator) apply the constraints to P_I

$$w_{I_k} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } k \neq i \\ w^* & \text{if } k = i \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

$$u_{I_k} \cos(\psi_j) + v_{I_k} \sin(\psi_j) = 0 \quad j = 1, 2, 3 \quad (2)$$

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w^* displacement of the k th ($k = 1, 2, \dots, N$) actuator along its axis

Adding a small set of analytic functions allows the computation of the N IF's avoiding any additional auxiliary coordinate system



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Running the Loop (without Involving the Comsol GUI)

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The Matlab function

- loads the model file
- runs the IF, taking the actuator number(s) as input vector
- computes the forces and the displacements along the DM r , φ , and θ



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The Main Diagonal of the 672 by 672 LBT DM Stiffness Matrix vs. the Actuator Geometry

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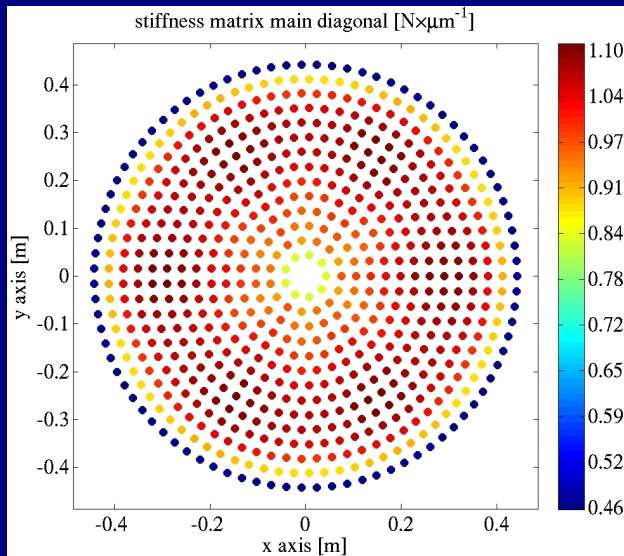
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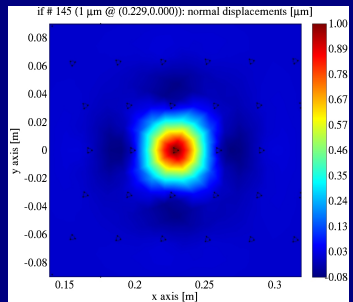
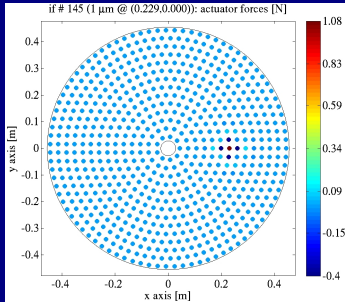
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The Main Diagonal of the 1170 by 672 1170 DM Stiffness Matrix vs. the Actuator Geometry

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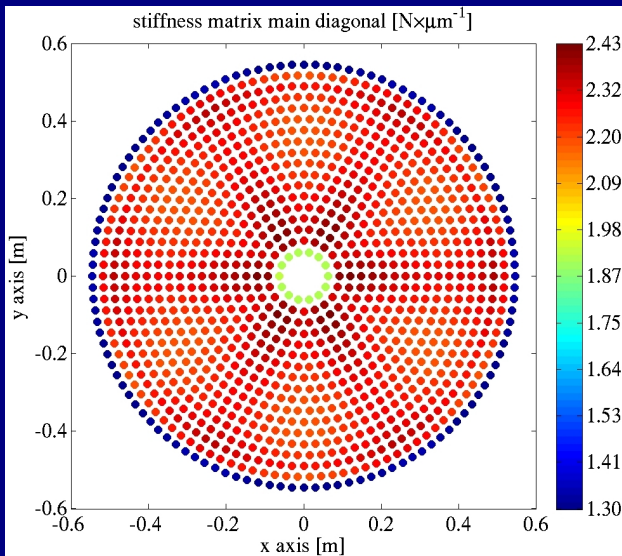
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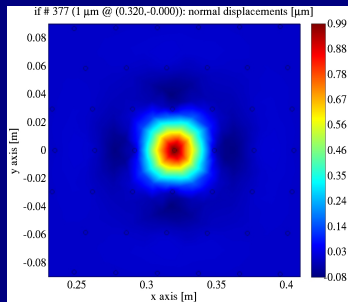
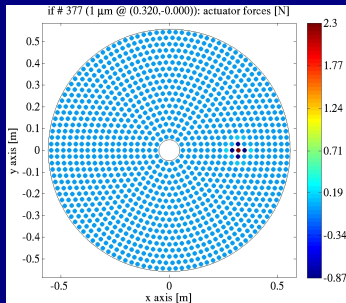
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The Optical Test Bench

The System Installed @ LBT, Arizona

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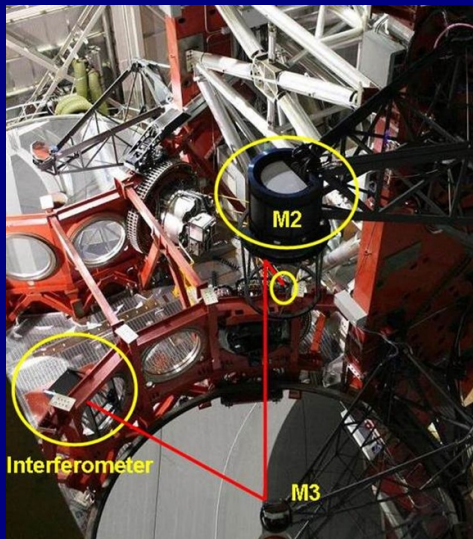
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The optical train

- Interferometer
- Telescope M3
- DM (M2)
- Retro-reflecting mirror
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- Telescope M3
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The Sampling Procedure

Getting the Deformation Map

Synchronization: Mirror command & imaging

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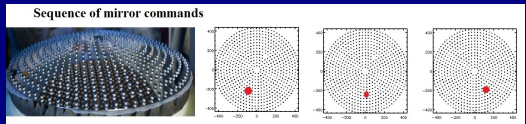
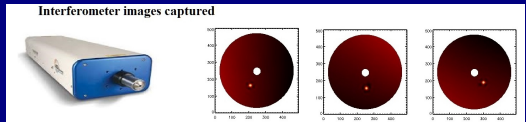


Image captured



Frame rate = 25 Hz to reduce noise
Push-Pull to increase SNR

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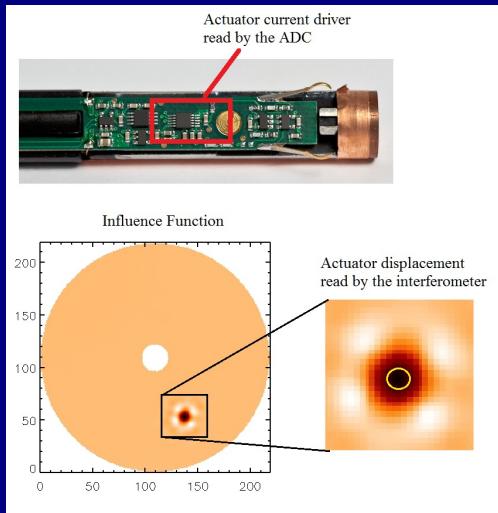
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$$K = F/d:$$

- Force read by the actuator current driver
- Displacement measured with the interferometer



Interferometric Example

Typical Deformation Maps

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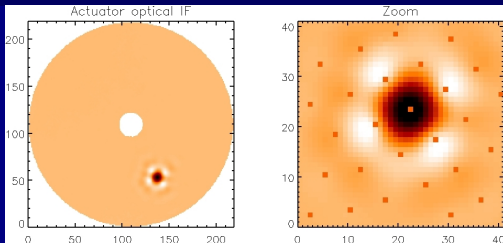
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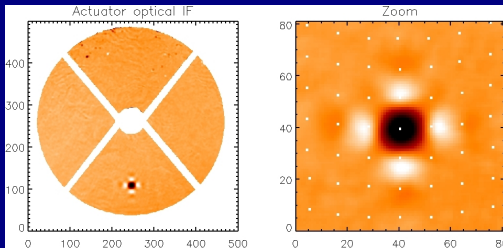
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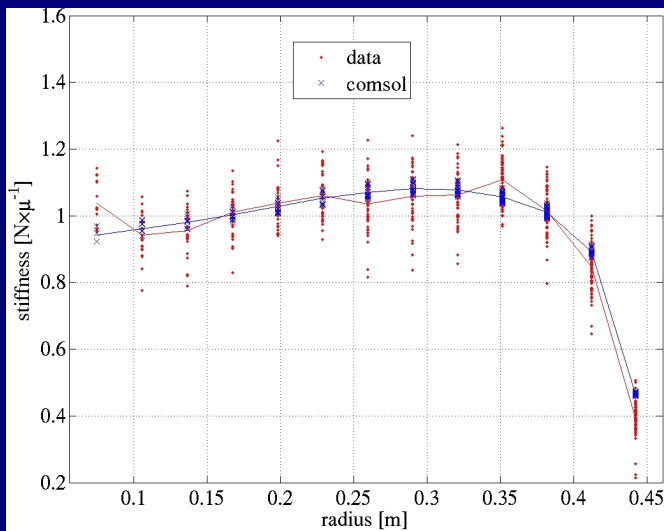
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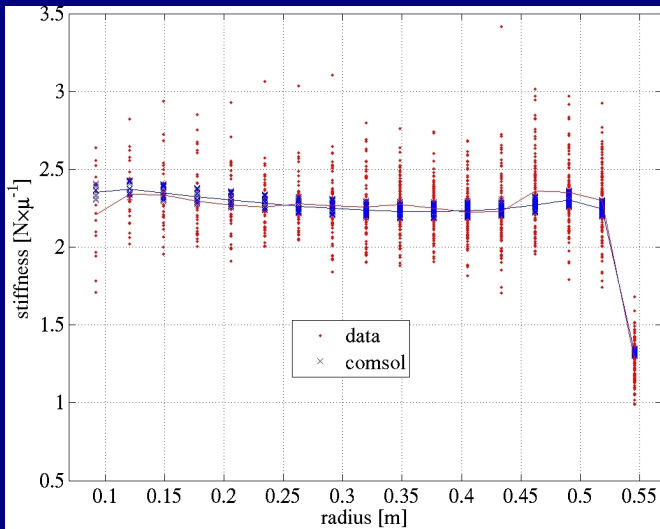
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- inter-actuator force calibration
- poor image resolution
- uncertainty of the imaged actuator locations
- poor IF visibility on the edges
- effects of malfunctioning actuators



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Exploiting the unrestrainedness

Although originated by a flaw of the code, functioning of a definition reveals the powerful of the flexibility of Comsol

The availability of the Matlab tools allows

- (general) geometry generation
- (compact) definition of pointwise constraints via $\Gamma(x, y)$
- (*for* loop) solving N cases



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The accuracy of the results is demonstrated by the experimental data



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The powerful of functioning

The influence functions of an Adaptive Optics Deformable Mirror can be truthfully evaluated by numerical methods.

A powerful and reliable computational tool is available for the opto-mechanical design.



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