

Simultaneous estimation of the surface shape and the instrument error function from a highly redundant set of LTP data

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Outline

- Errors in LTP measurements
- Non linearity of slope measurements revealed by measuring strongly curved surfaces
- A stitching model that takes systematic errors into account
- Conclusions



Errors in LTP measurements

3 main sources of errors

- Translation stage errors
 - Effect of the pitch error of the slide reduced to 2nd order by the use of a pentaprism
 - Effect of roll and yaw errors is 2ndorder
 - These errors can be detected by repeated measurement in different directions and at different positions on the LTP bench
 - Easily measured on flat surfaces, usually very small
- Stability errors
 - Vibrations, air turbulence
 - Reduced by the clean room environment (typ ~0.3-0.5 µrad RMS)
 - Precision can be increased by repeated measurements
- Optical path errors
 - Errors due to non identical return path when the beam is scanned along the surface :
 - Residual aberrations of the lens
 - Local defects of the optical elements
 - They can be detected by tilting the surface (for curved surfaces)
 - Generate sytematic errors which increase with surface curvature

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Results from the Cost P7 Round Robin

Better agreement between LTPs on flat surfaces than on curved ones

Plane mirror P1 Residual slope (after best sphere subtraction)



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Measuring strongly curved surfaces

- Strongly curved surfaces:
 - Surfaces that cannot be measured on a single trace L/R > LTP measuring range (~8mad)
- Require the use of a stitching procedure:
 - Record several traces on limited overlapping X ranges
 - The surface is tilted between traces to center the slope range
 - Overlapping edges are adjusted to reconstruct the slope profile
- How is the result affected by systematic errors ?
 - Influence of data recording parameters ?





Experiments on M54 mirror

- Radius of curvature 7.7m
- Length 110 mm (90 mm useful)
 - \Rightarrow full angular range 14.3 mrad
 - 2 X 21 traces recorded (each measurement repeated 3 times)
 - at equally spaced tilts
 - at 2 different positions of the LTP bench





Simple stitching

- Stitching result depend on chosen parameters
 - Number of traces
 - Slope amplitude and data overlap







Instrument Error Function

- Deviation of measured data to the best fit profile is strongly correlated to the measured slope.
- The Instrument error function, ie. the departure from linear response, can be estimated by fitting the residual errors



 A better estimation of the slope of the measured surface and of the instrument error function cans be expected if the instrument error is taken into account



A Stitching model including the Instrument Error Function

- The Instrument Error Function is continuous and should be defined by an interpolation function
 - Cubic spline interpolation has been used
- Model parameters
 - The surface slopes at equally spaced abscissa points
 - The slope offsets between independent traces (tilt stage)
 - + The set cubic spline coefficients defining the IEF
- Surface slopes and IEF are simultaneously obtained by fitting the model to the highly redundant measured data
- The stitching algorithm implemented in C++ under Origin 7.5









Summary

- A stitching procedure has been develop to take the nonlinearity of the LTP response into account.
- It requires a highly redundant set of LTP traces recorded with different surface tilt and covering the full measuring range
- The surface slopes and the instrument error function are obtained simultaneously
- The procedure could be extended to correct slope profiles which do not exceed the LTP measuring range