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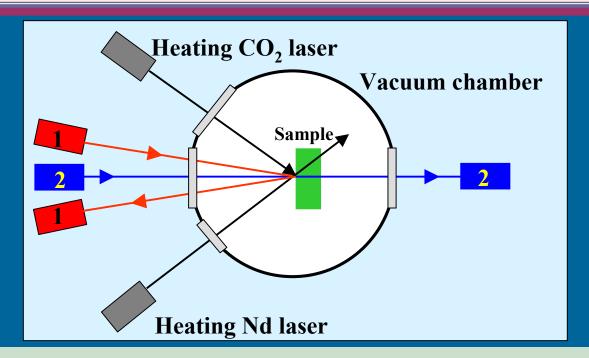
Remote in situ monitoring of weak distortions

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Current Research

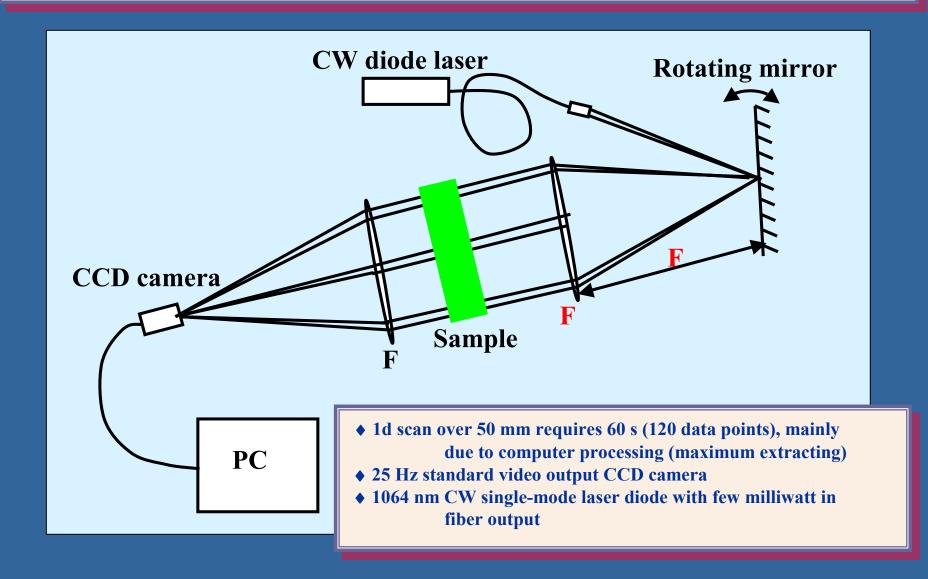
- ♦ Remote *in situ* monitoring of weak distortions emerging under auxiliary laser heating similarly to what is expected in advanced LIGO core optics
- **♦** Proposal for remote *in situ* monitoring of weak distortions of ETM.

Remote in situ monitoring of weak distortions emerging under auxiliary laser heating



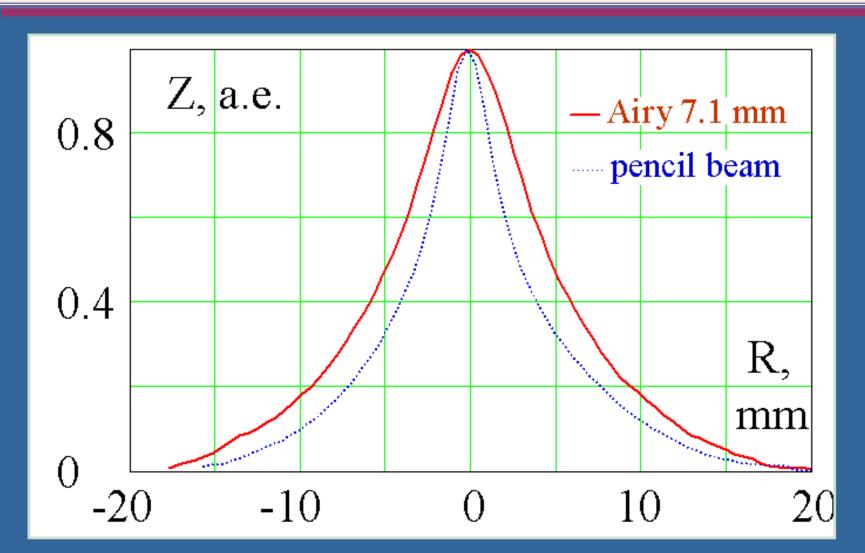
- 1 WLPMI
- 2 NHS and PIT
- Optical sample bulk heating by the fundamental or second harmonic of Nd:YAG laser at a power of 10-20 W
- Surface heating with the use of a CO₂ laser at power of several Watts
- Inducing contamination of a small region (characteristic size of 20-100 micron) on the optical element's surface and focusing of low-power laser radiation (<100 mW) on it

Scanning Linear HartmannTechnique



Optical depth profile measured with scanning linear Hartmann sensor for two heating beam:

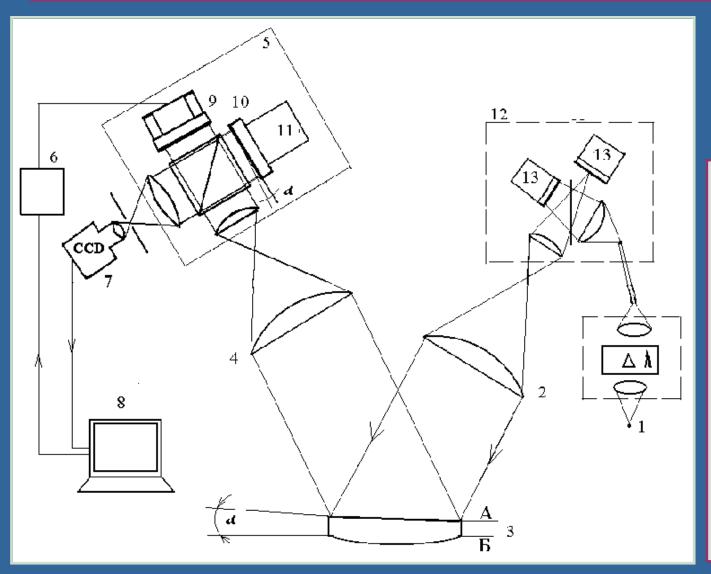
7mm Airy and 1 mm pencil structures



White Light *In Situ* Measurement Interferometer (WLISMI)

Standard interferometers	Proposed interferometers
Measurement of optical length of air spacing between two surfaces.	The proposed method relies on measurements of the phase of interferogram of radiation reflected from two surfaces of one sample under study.
In profilometers one of them is a sample surface, and the other is a reference surface.	The precise phase measurements are ensured by the modulation of the probing radiation spectrum .
The problem of precise measurement of phase in the interferogram is solved by phase modulation according to	The method provides a two-dimensional pattern of a sample's optical thickness distribution simultaneously over the whole aperture.
a known time law.	The method is applicable to remote testing of optical elements with flat, spherical and cylindrical surfaces, and also with a wedge between them.

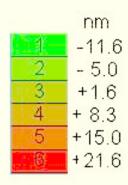
White Light *In Situ* Measurement Interferometer. Experimental setup

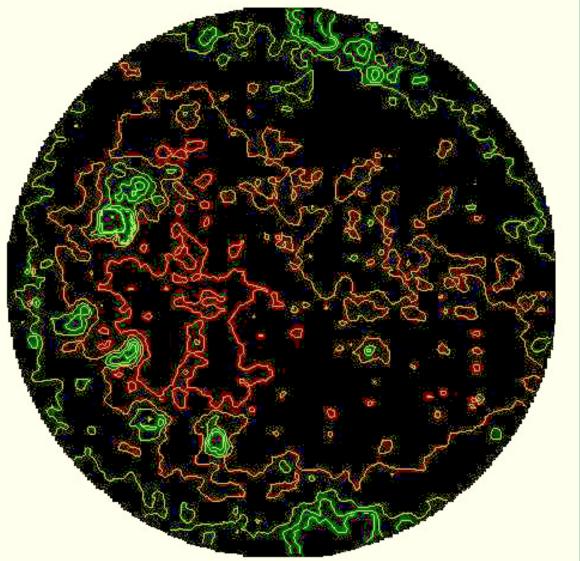


- 1 light source;
- 2 objective;
- 3 sample;
- 4 ocular;
- 5 measurement interferometer;
- 6 unit for synchronization and control;
- 7 CCD camera;
- 8 PC computer;
- 9 modulating mirror;
- 10 adjusting mirror;
- 11, 13 motors;
- 12 wave front shaper

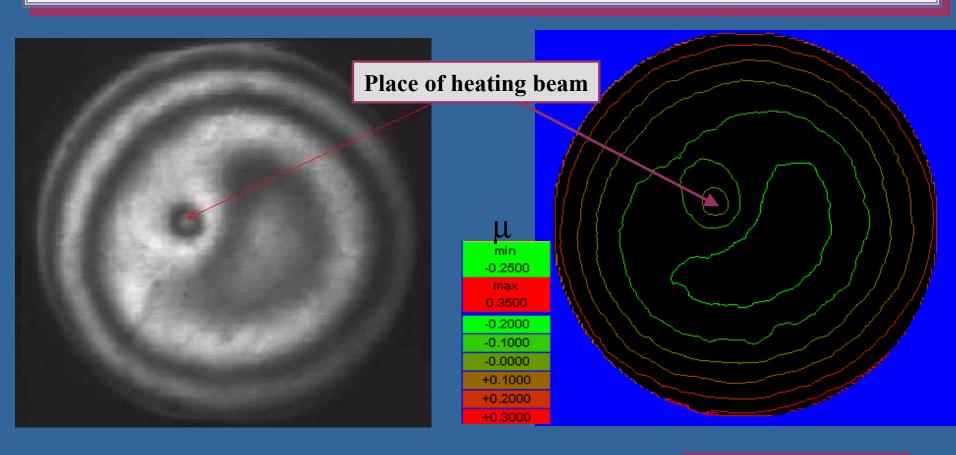
White Light *In Situ* Measurement Interferometer Phase Map

Diameter 40 mm Thickness 10 mm





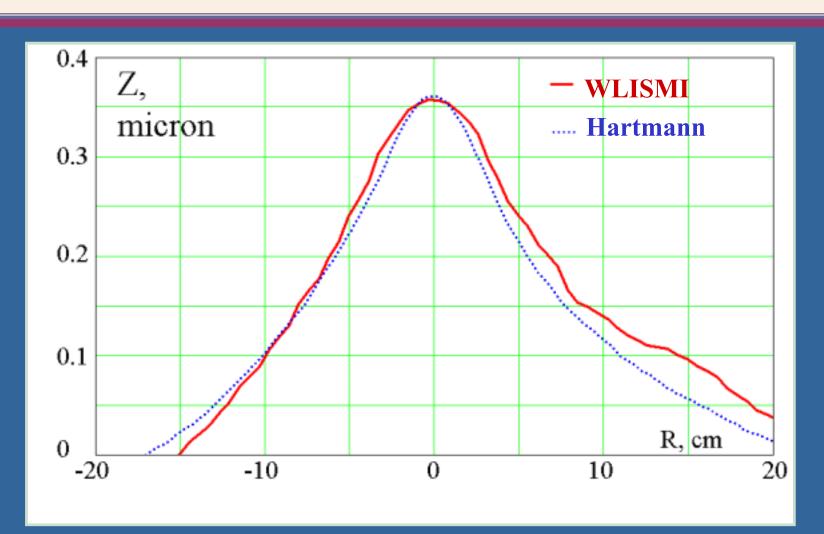
Phase map of optical sample heated by CO₂ laser



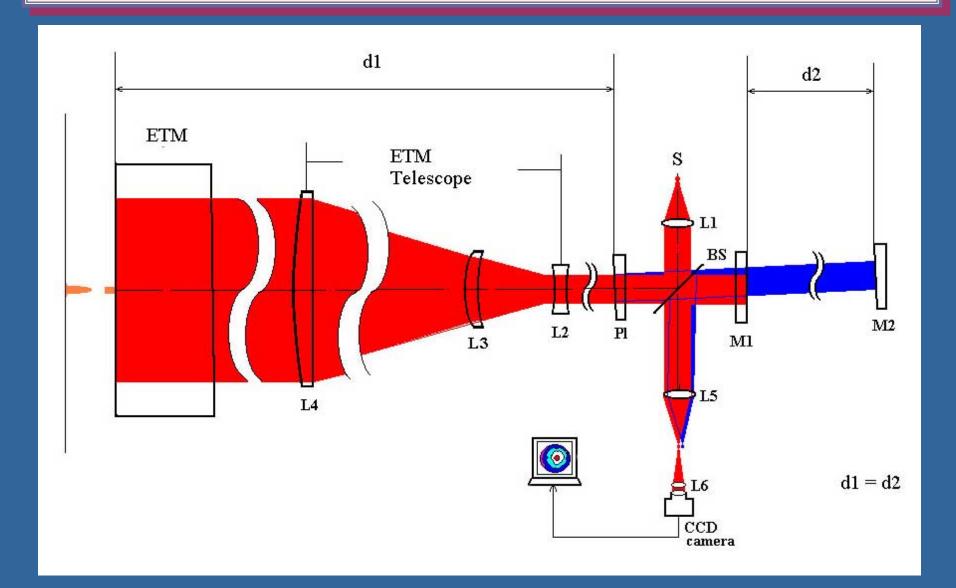
Thickness - 15 mm Diameter - 85 mm

Simultaneous measurements of optical depth profiles under heating using two different techniques

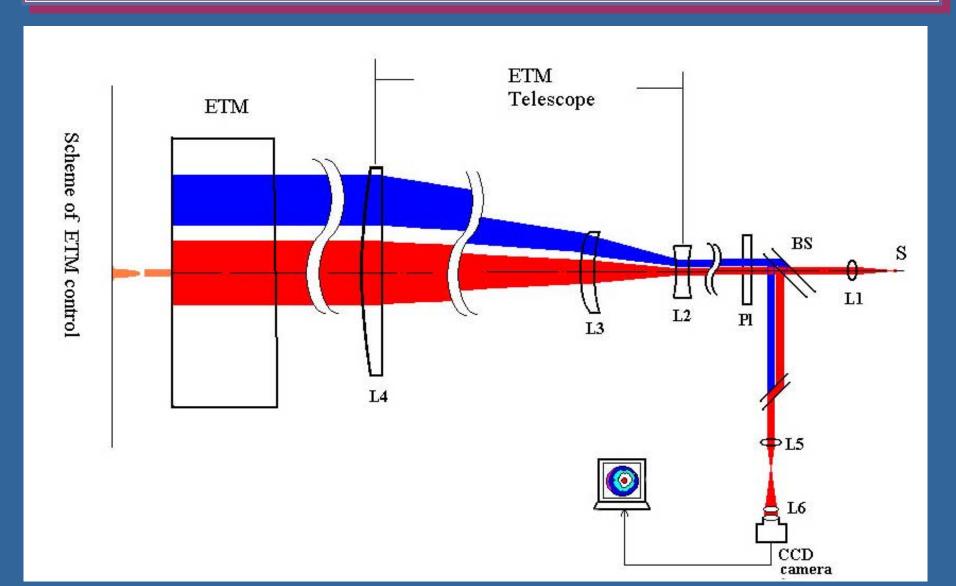
CO₂ laser - 120 mW Beam size - 7 mm



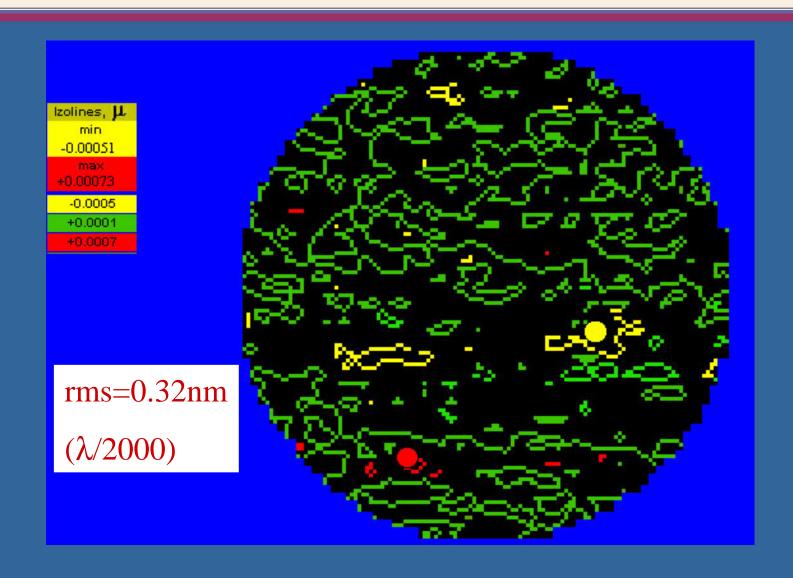
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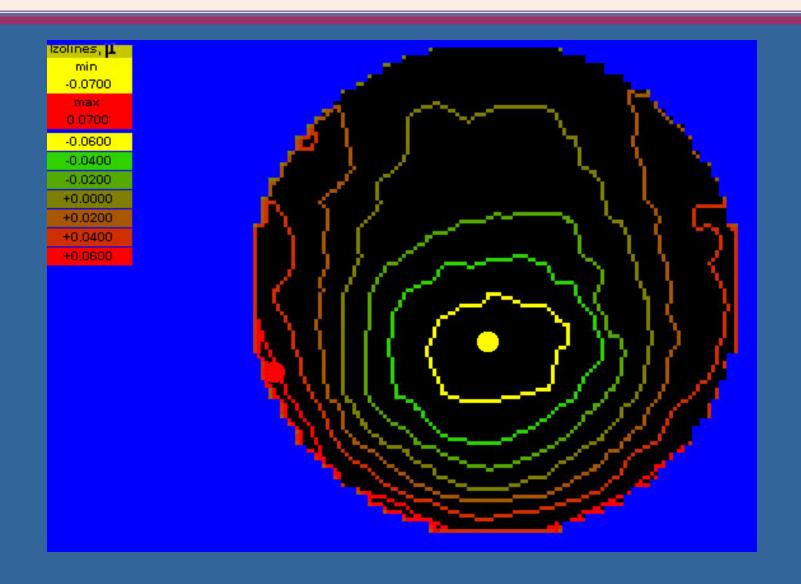
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Experimental results. No heating.



Experimental results. Heated by CO₂ laser.



Conclusion

- ♦ LIGO-IAP Lab has been equipped with several instruments developed at IAP for High-Precision Characterization of LIGO Optical Components
- **♦ 25** cm aperture white-light phase-modulated interferometer (WLPMI) for preliminary control of LIGO Core Optics has been implemented
- ♦ Simultaneous measurements of optical depth profiles under heating using two different techniques have been performed
- **♦** Version of WLPMI for installation on end station is tested experimentally.