



Second Generation Interferometer Optics Requirements

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- Flatness of the substrate for the Arm mirrors.
 - Specifications in Advanced Virgo.
 - Simulations Results.
 - The Corrective Coating technique.
- Coating Uniformity
 - What is the issue?
 - Coating 1 mirror at once.
 - Coating 2 mirrors at once.
- Conclusion





- Advanced Virgo Baseline specification:
 - Arm Round Trip Losses = 75 ppm.
- 37.5 ppm losses per surface.
- Losses are due to diffraction, absorption, and transmission.
- Absorption and transmission losses = 5 ppm
- Diffraction by micro-roughness (High Spatial Frequencies >1000m⁻¹) losses = 2x10 ppm.
- Diffraction by Low Spatial Frequencies (< 1000m⁻¹) should be smaller than 50 ppm.

Simulation Parameters





- Simulate FP cavity with simulated mirror.
- FFT simulations with SIESTA.

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- RoC: ITM = 1420 m, ETM = 1683 m.
- Cavity Length, L = 3000 m.
- RTL = (Pinj Pout Prefl)/ Pcirc







- From measurement, PSD are computed.
- 2D PSD with the desired shape and random phase are produced.
- Inverse FFT and scaling factor gives simulated map.



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PSD for different polishers



PSDs of mirror maps for different polishers computed over 150 mm



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• Simulations with General Optics like Mirror:

90 % of simulations give RTL < 50 ppm with mirrors having a flatness of 1 nm rms

• Simulations with CSIRO like Mirror:

90 % of simulations give RTL < 50 ppm with mirrors having a flatness of 0.45 nm rms.

• PSD shape is important, flatness expressed in nm rms is not enough.

=> Give specification in the spatial frequency range of $50m^{-1} - 1000m^{-1}$.





• Because of the Advanced Virgo arm geometry.



- Limit where the light escape the cavity.
- Could reasonabily be the maximum frequency that corrective coating can correct.

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The Corrective Coating technique





- Measure the substrate by Phase Shifting Interferometry.
- Robot allows to move the substrate to add silica where it is needed.
- Correction down to cm scale.

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Simulating the Corrective Coating



 Applied a filter that flatten the 2D PSD below a certain spatial frequency (50m⁻¹ in the figure below).



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Simulations with Corrective Coating (CC)





Simulations on General Optics like mirrors (with 1.5 nm rms flatness).

Rms = 1.5 nm	No CC	CC with Fc = 25 m ⁻¹	CC with Fc = 50 m ⁻¹	CC with Fc = 75m ⁻¹	CC with Fc = 100 m ⁻¹
Simulations RTL < 50 ppm	61.3 %	71.6 %	95.9 %	99.6 %	100 %

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Is the corrective coating technique in accordance with the expected behaviour ?

NO

YES

- Corrective Coating:
 - LSF spec:
 - RMS < 1.5 nm
 - RMS(50m⁻¹ –
 1000m⁻¹) < 0.15
 nm.

- Ion Beam Polishing:
 - LSF spec:
 - RMS < 0.5 nm
 - RMS(50m⁻¹ 1000m⁻¹) < 0.15 nm.





Substrate is not all! What about coating uniformity?





- Coating uniformity could dominate the surface imperfections of second generation interfererometers optics.
- Coating thickness is a few microns.
- Flatness better than 0.5 nm requires coating thickness uniformity of about 0.01%.





- Measure of coating uniformity versus position for each material.
- Multi-layer coating uniformity is estimated combining uniformity profiles of SiO_2 and $Ti:Ta_2O_5$.
- Changing the target position inside the coater allows to optimise the profile uniformity of the material.







- We are at the very limit of the metrology capabilities for spherical surface.
- Measurement is limited by the noise of the instrument, especially the vibrations.
- Given the metrology capabilities, good coating uniformity is achieved.
 - Flatness < 0.5 nm rms.
- Mirror being shipped to LIGO to confirm the results.



Coating of 2 mirrors at once





- Coating Map in simulations of AdV. Virgo Cavity.
 - Map on ITM → Round Trip Losses = 84 ppm.
 - Map on ETM → Round Trip Losses = 163 ppm.
- Not acceptable in the arm losses budget!



Planetary motion



- Simulation of planetary motion inside the coater.
- Use of SiO2 coating profile.
- First simulations shows that planetary motion could permit to gain about a factor 2 on the thickness uniformity of silica.
- More simulations have to be performed to find the best parameters to enhance the coating uniformity.







- Specifications of flatness for the arm mirrors have been defined for Advanced Virgo.
 - Corrective Coating: RMS <1.5 nm with RMS(50m⁻¹ 1000m⁻¹) <0.15 nm.
 - Ion Beam Polishing: RMS <0.5 nm with RMS(50m⁻¹ 1000m⁻¹) <0.15 nm.
- Coating Uniformity can start to dominate into the surface imperfection.
- Coating of 1 mirror at once gives good results.
- Planetary motion could permit to coat 2 mirrors at once with the required uniformity.





THANK YOU !

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