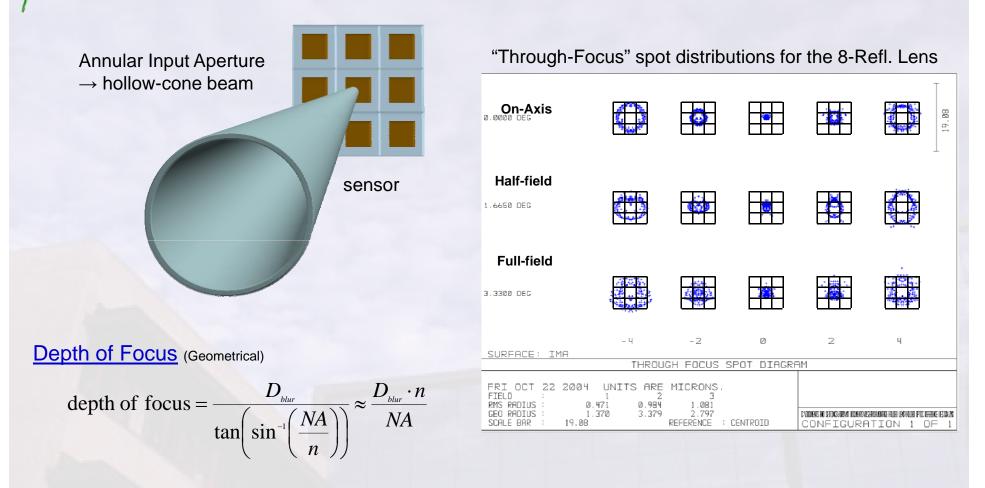
Depth of Focus / Depth of Field

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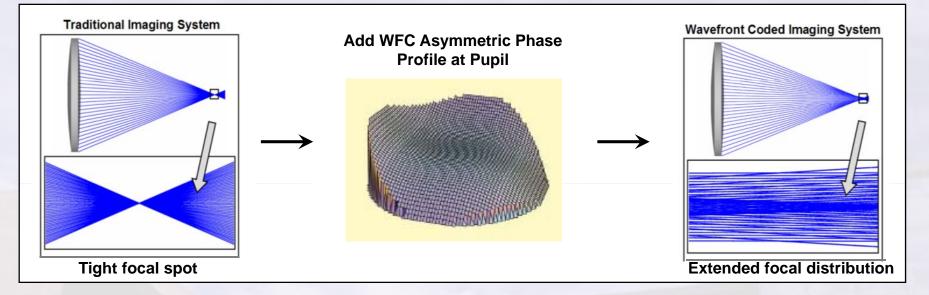
Large NA & long focal lengths mean short depth of field

- \rightarrow Fine for long range (i.e. surveillance) applications
- → Not for nearby/deep object fields (i.e. cellphones)

Wavefront Coding for Extended Depth of Field

Collaboration with CDM Optics

WFC: Cathey & Dowski Applied Optics 41, p.6080, 2002



Wavefront Coding with Post-processing

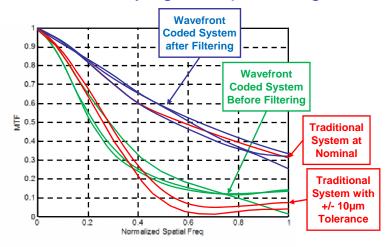
- Rotationally Symmetric fabrication errors
- Focal plane alignment
- Temperature variations
- Thickness tolerances

Post-processing (remapping RGB planes)

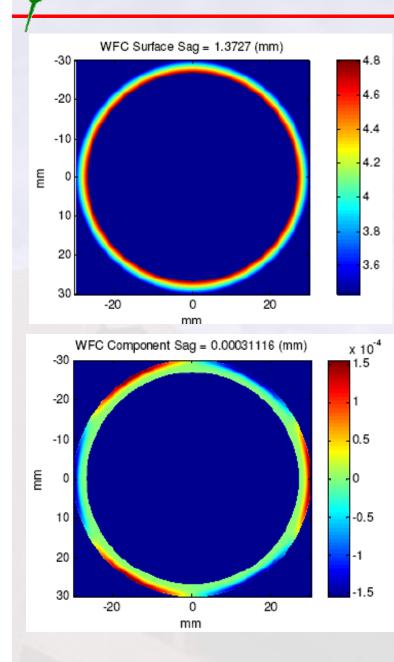
- Lateral color aberration
- Field dependent coma

MTF for varying focal plane alignment

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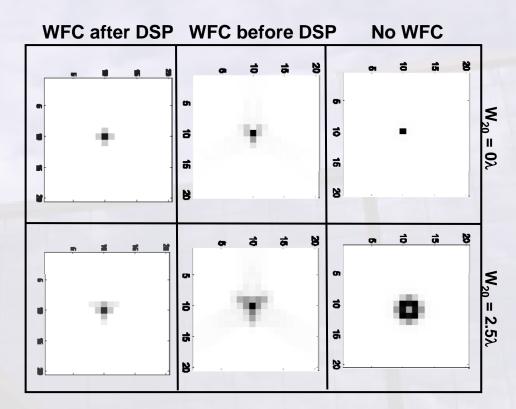
Wavefront Coded Design for the 8-Reflection Prototype



Wavefront Coded Surface Design: Joel Rutkowski, Inga Tamayo (CDM Optics) Testing & Characterization: Eric Tremblay, Ron Stack (DFC)

Modest tolerance specification

- WFC surface: 0.25 wave (at 546 nm)
- Flat surface: 0.25 wave (at 546 nm)

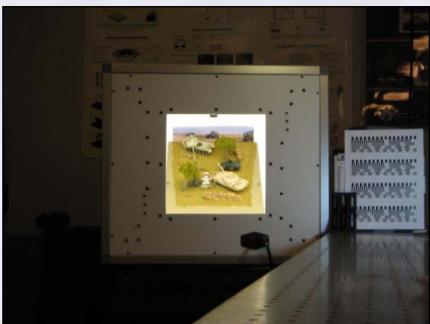


Simulated PSFs

Showdown Time: Live Phase 1 demo for DARPA







The Contenders

- 43mm Pentax SLR camera lens
- Symmetric 8-Reflection camera
- Wavefront Coded 8-Reflection camera

The Contest

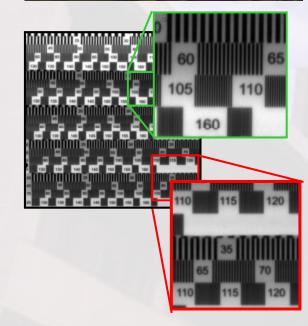
- 1000x700 pixels over 0.1 rad field of view
- Real-time image acquisition & processing

Montage Phase 1 Demonstration



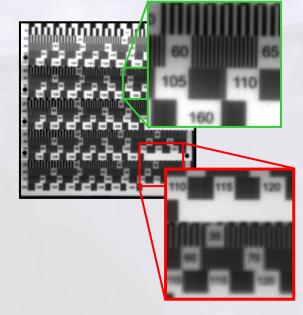
Conventional Pentax lens





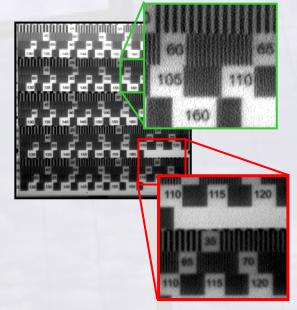
8-Reflection Lens





Wavefront Coded 8-Refl. Lens





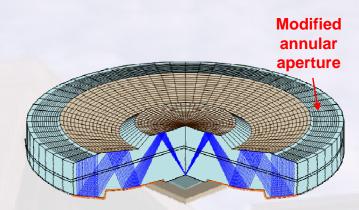
Pupil Phase Encoding & Post-Processing



Previously: Collaborated with CDM Optics to Wavefront Code the Eight-reflection camera E.J Tremblay et.al., "Relaxing the alignment and fabrication tolerances of thin annular folded imaging systems using Wavefront Coding" Appl. Opt. 46, 6751 (2007)

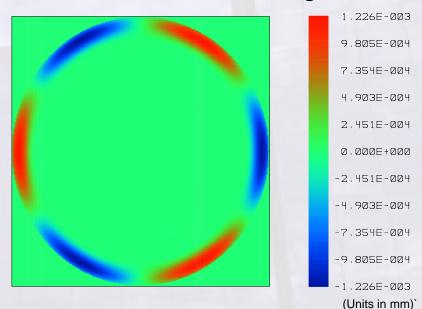
More recently: MDO Design of PPE and Post-Processing for the Four-Reflection camera:

E. J. Tremblay et. Al., "Ultrathin four-reflection imager" Appl. Opt. doc. ID 101823 (posted 4 November 2008, in press).



The Four-Reflection design is optimized with a PPE surface for depth of field and tolerance enhancement. Resulting raw images are post-processed to produce the final images.

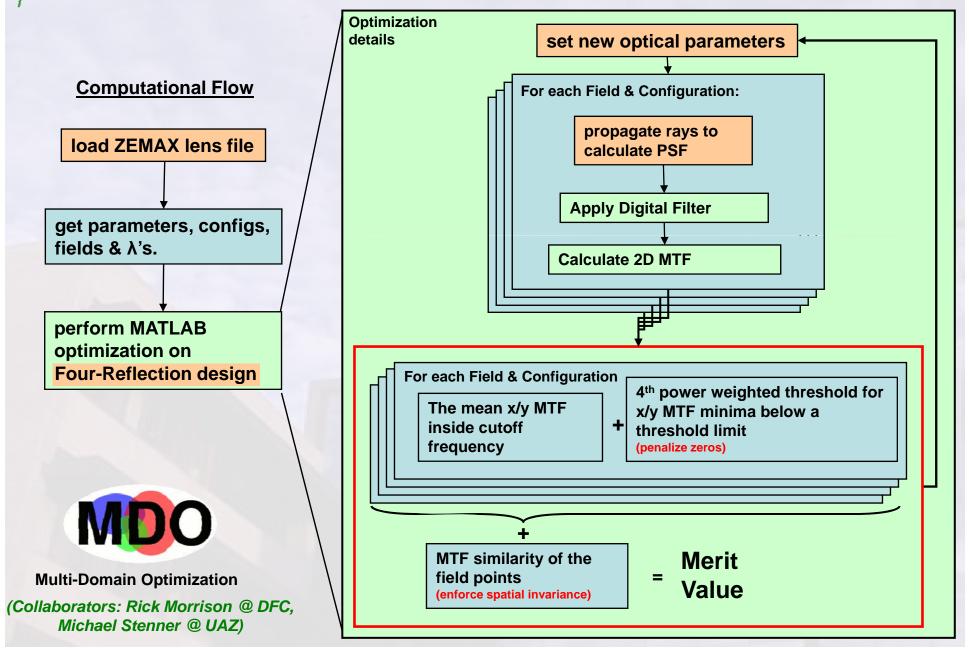
$$SAG(r,\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^{m} a_i r^i \cos(3\theta)$$



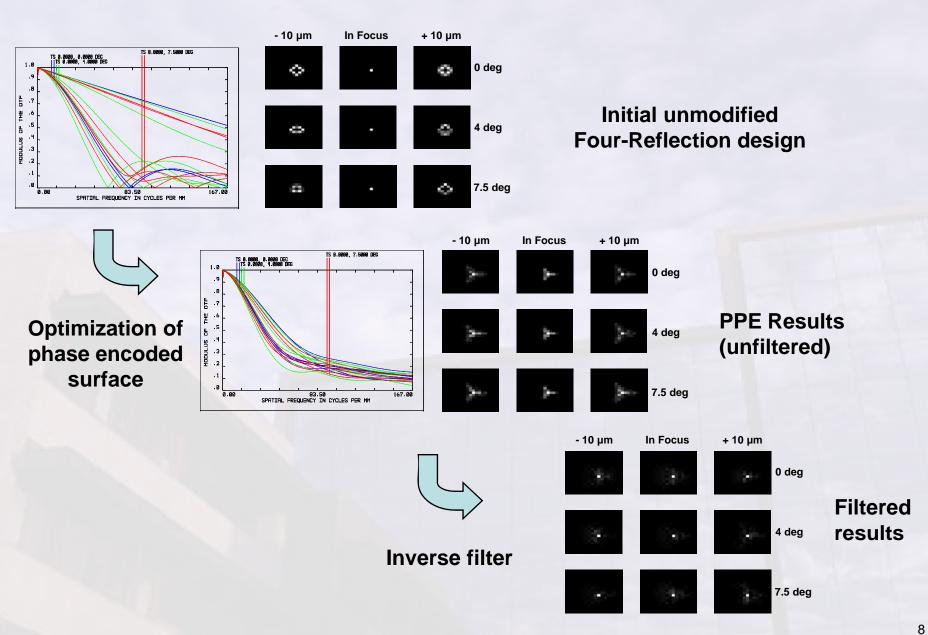
Phase encoded surface sag

MDO Optimization Process

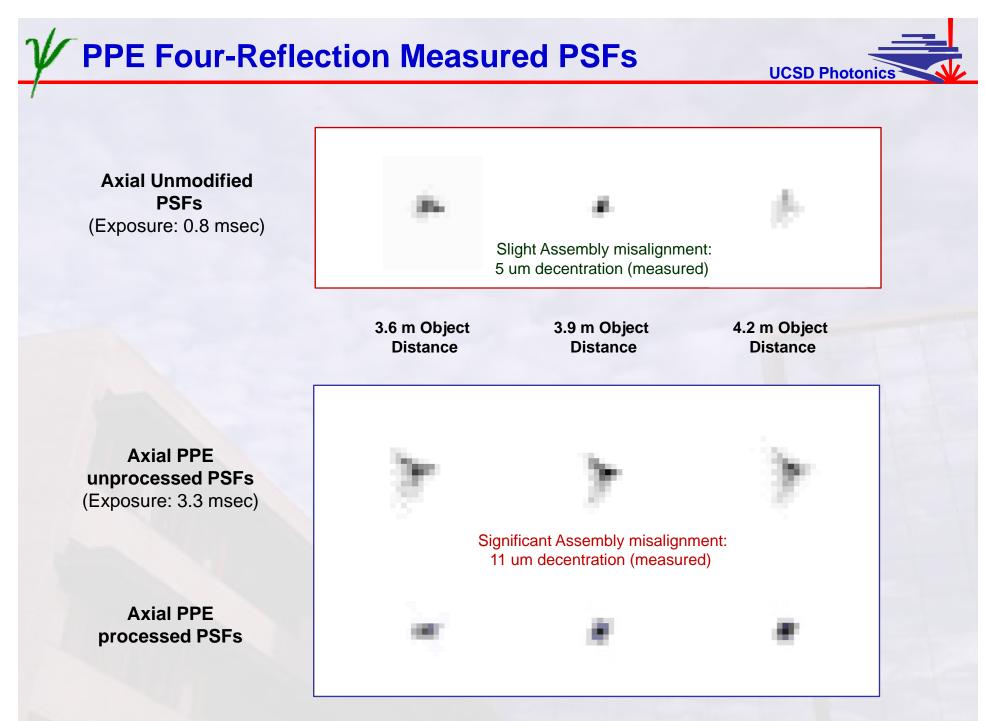




Simulated Results of Optimization



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PPE vs. Unmodified: Image Comparison UCSD Photonics **Unmodified Four-PPE Four-Reflection Reflection Camera Camera (processed)** .56 lp/mm (H) .63 lp/mm (V) .707 lp/mm 3.9 m (Best Focus) .56 lp/mm (H) .50 lp/mm (H) .63 lp/mm (V) .56 lp/mm (V) 3.6 m (3.5 waves defocus @ 550 nm)