

# Study of point-like absorbing defects in large mirrors for gravitational wave detectors

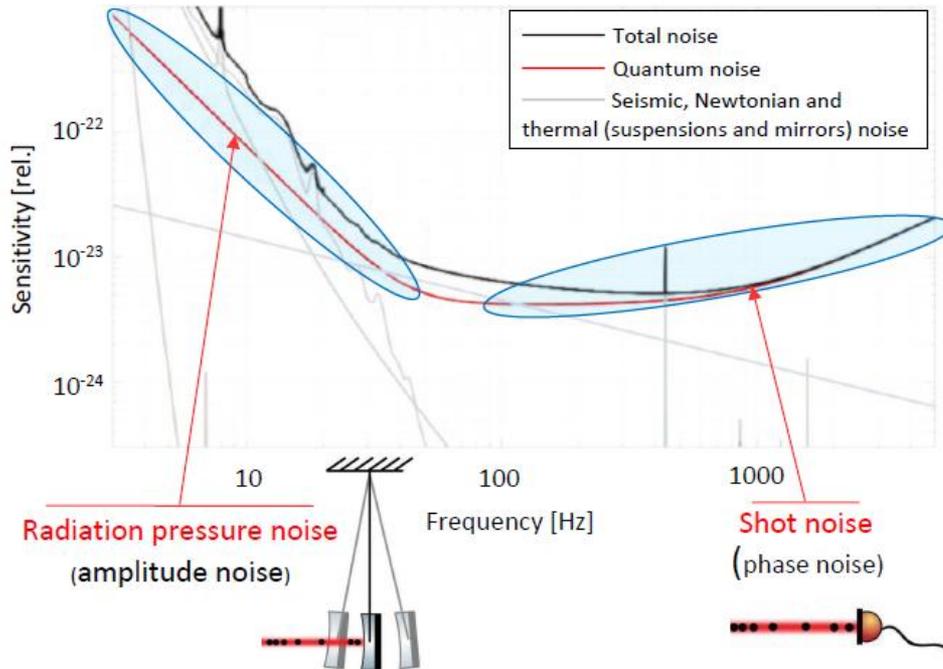
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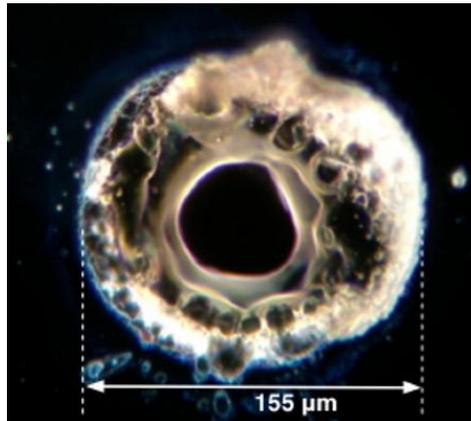
- ❖ Direct way to decrease shot noise
- ❖ Comes with drawback :
  - Wavefront distortion
  - Radiation pressure
- ❖ We have possibilities to counterbalance the drawback
  - Quantum Squeezing
  - Thermal compensation systems

## ❖ Virgo Attempts

| Period                                   | Input Power |
|--|-------------|
| Aug 2017 (O2)                            | 14W         |
| Nov 2017                                 | 26W         |
| Apr 2018 (After monolithic installation) | 12W         |
| Jul 2018 (Increased power)               | 25W         |
| Nov 2018                                 | 18W         |

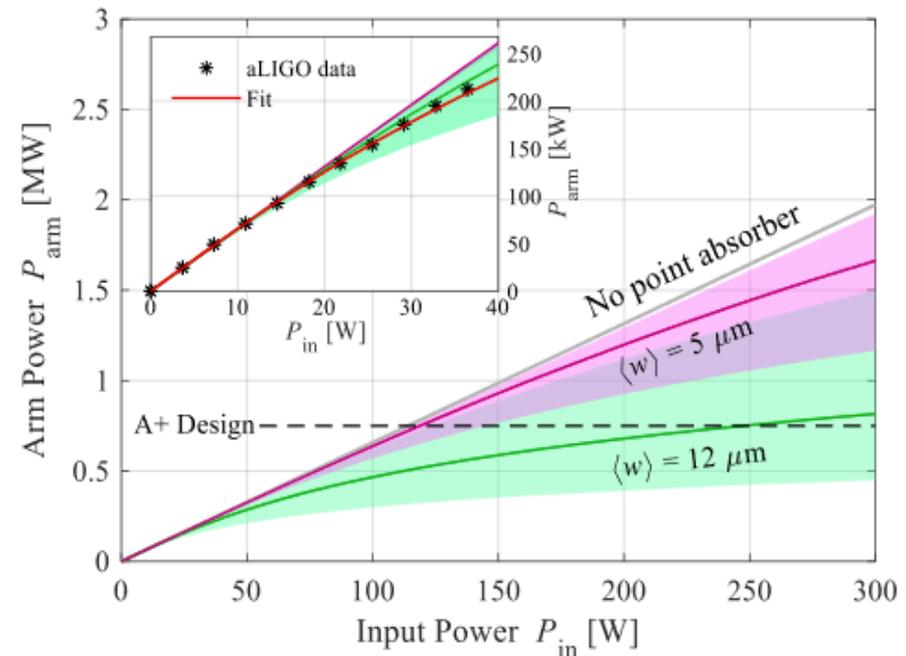
Still problematic until now

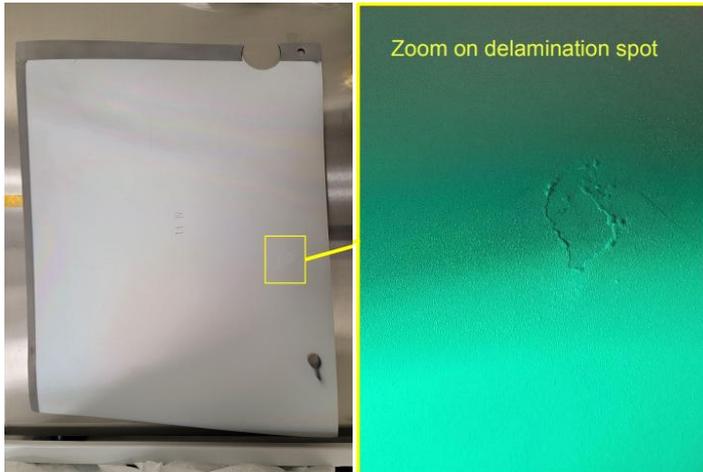
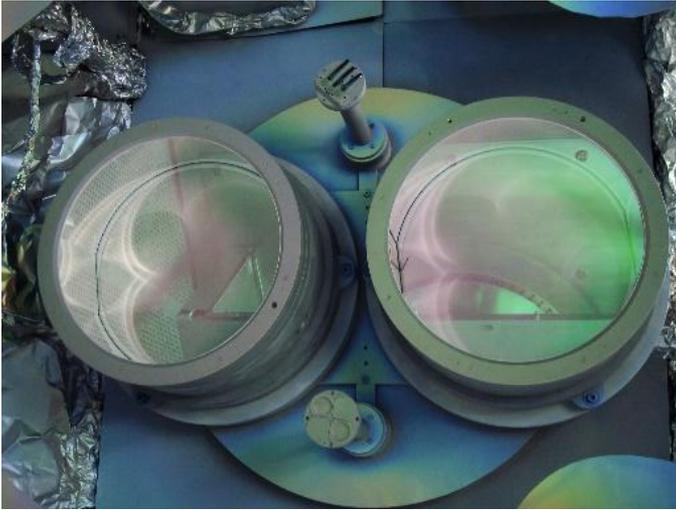
→ Increase of power attempts at O4  
not completely successful



- ❖ A punctual site of excess absorption
- ❖ Wide range of diameters [10 – 500]  $\mu\text{m}$
- ❖ Wide range of local absorption expected
- ❖ There can be several PA's per mirrors  
(2018 : LHO ITMY  $\rightarrow$  « Constellation of PAs »)

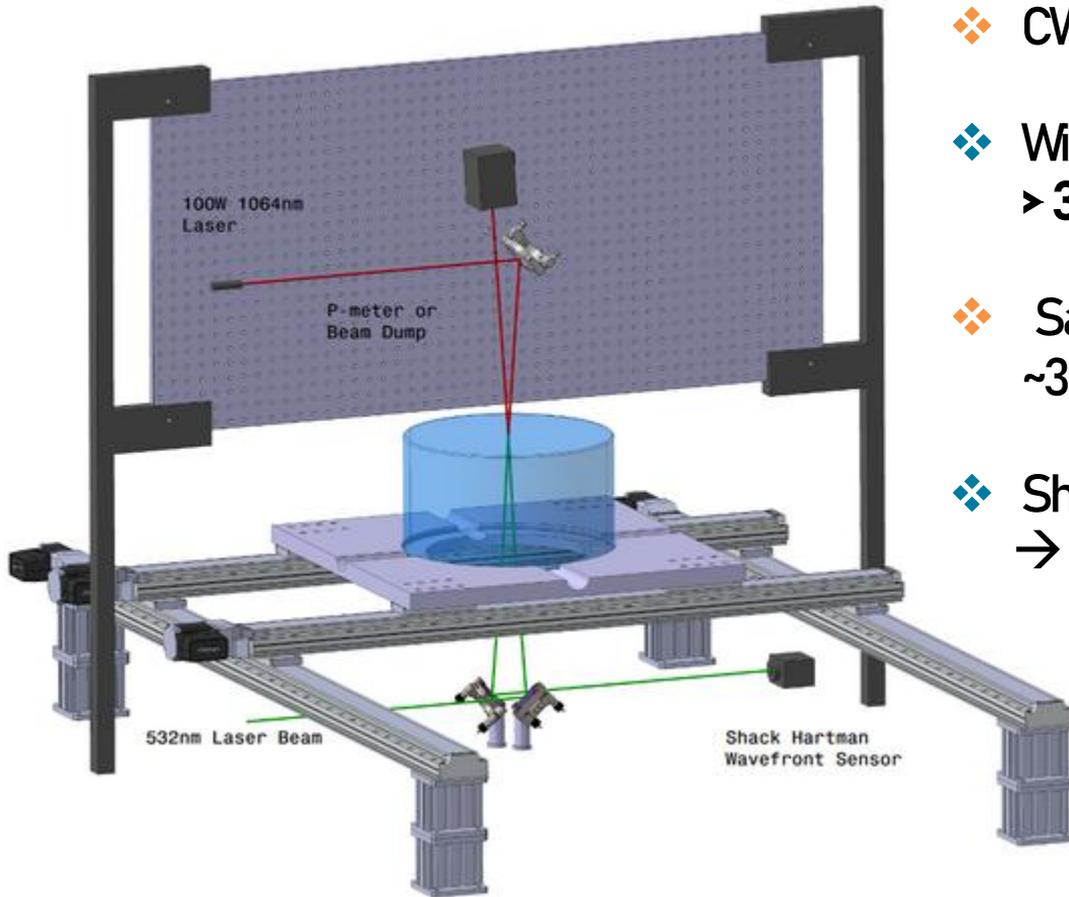
- ❖ Generally of metallic nature (Al)
- ❖ The more power is in the ITF, the more problematic the PAs become  $\rightarrow$  limits improvements of the detectors
- ❖ Critical for arm cavity mirrors





- ❖ Originate from deposition process
  - Embedded in the coating
  - Small particules from mounts, walls, protective sheets
- ❖ Detecting them before their installation in the ITF. (Corrective treatments, preparing compensations ...)
- ❖ Virgo cannot detect PAs before mirror installation
- ❖ A joint study LIGO/LMA has already allowed to reduce the population of PA's
- ❖ Benefitial for other projects high optical power experiments

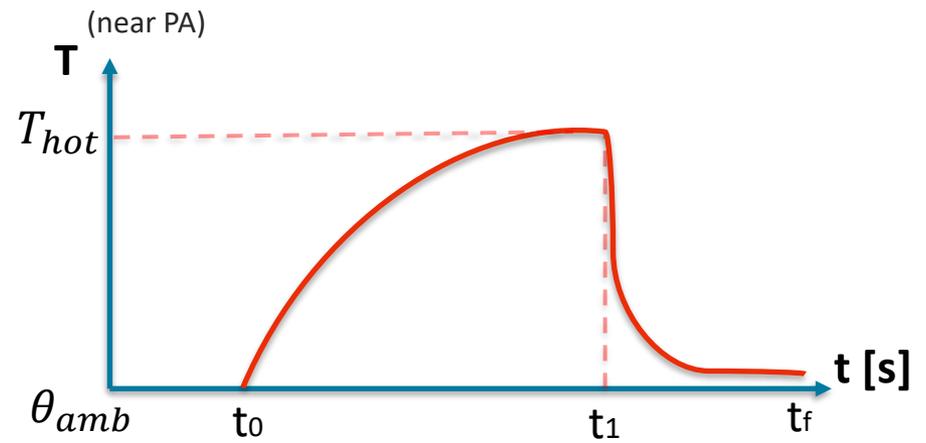
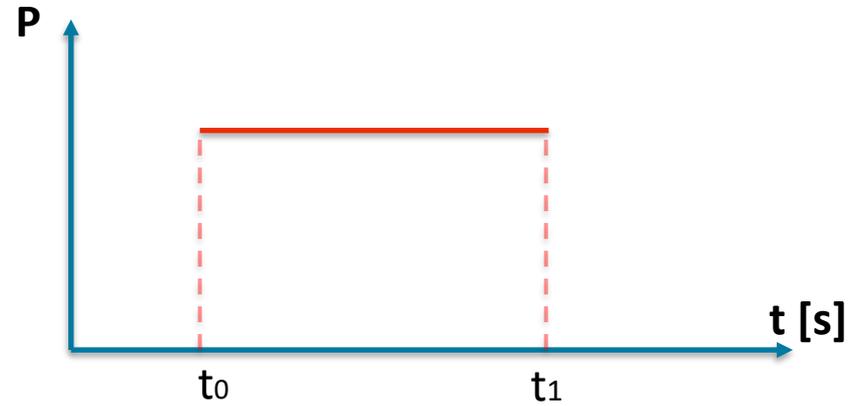
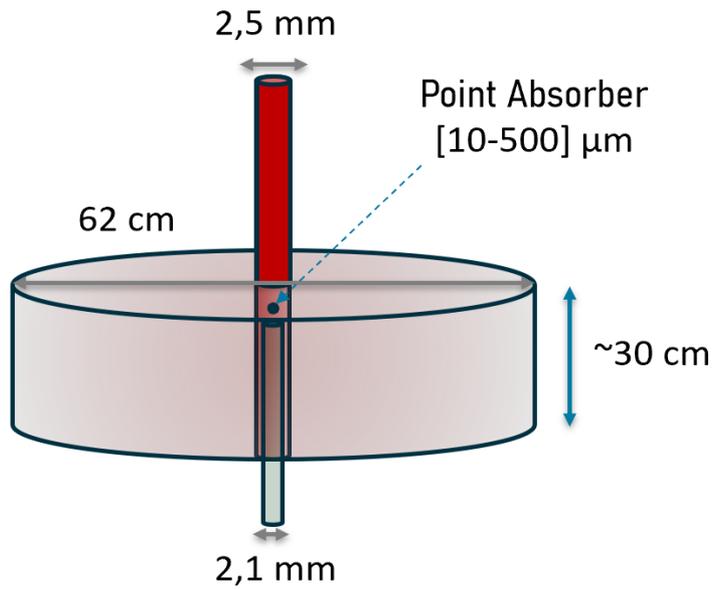
## Expanding the Caltech bench (TM-HPAD) Test mass Hartman PA Diagnostic



- ❖ CW laser at 1064 nm (200 W)
- ❖ Will be able to holds 62 cm diameter and > 300kg test masses
- ❖ Same power density than in AdV  
~3kW/cm<sup>2</sup>
- ❖ Shack-Hartman wavefront sensitivity  
→ ( $\lambda/100$ )

Bonus :

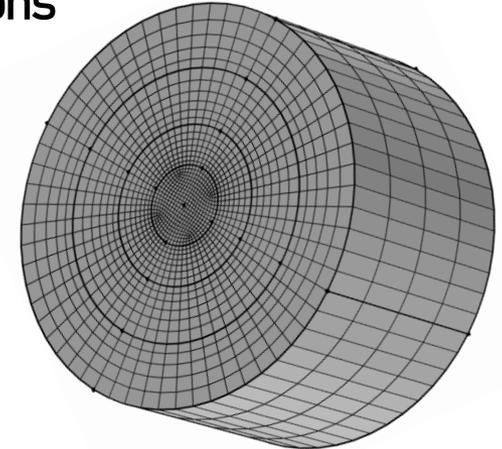
Scattering measurement with CCD camera



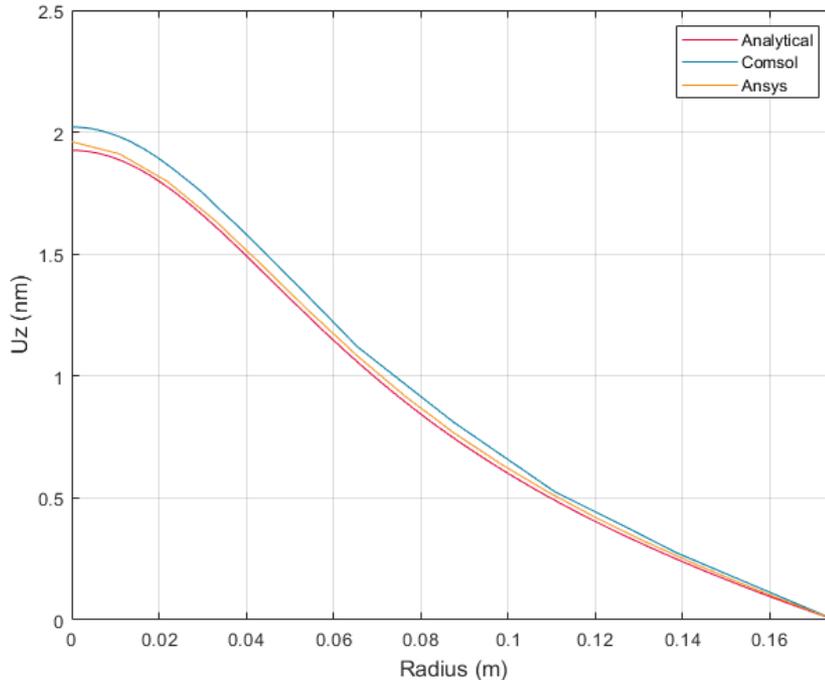
## Finite element simulation (FEM)



- ❖ Discretization of the geometry and linearization of equations
- ❖ Finds approximate solutions for fields ( $T$ ,  $u$ ,  $\theta_{ij}$ , ...)
- ❖ Compute for stationary solution or transient evolution
- ❖ Point absorbers are simulated by declaring nodes as heat sources



→ Simulation of an AdV test mass in the ITF configuration



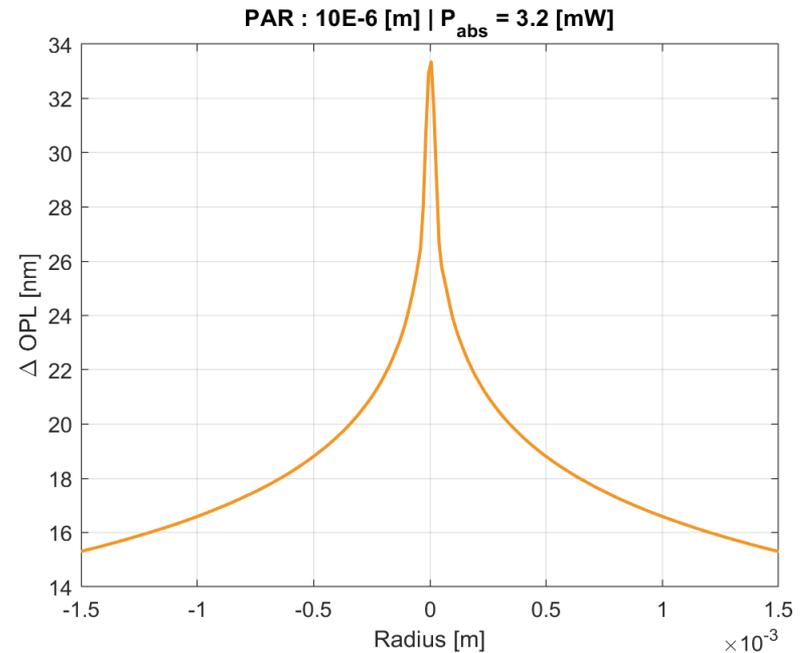
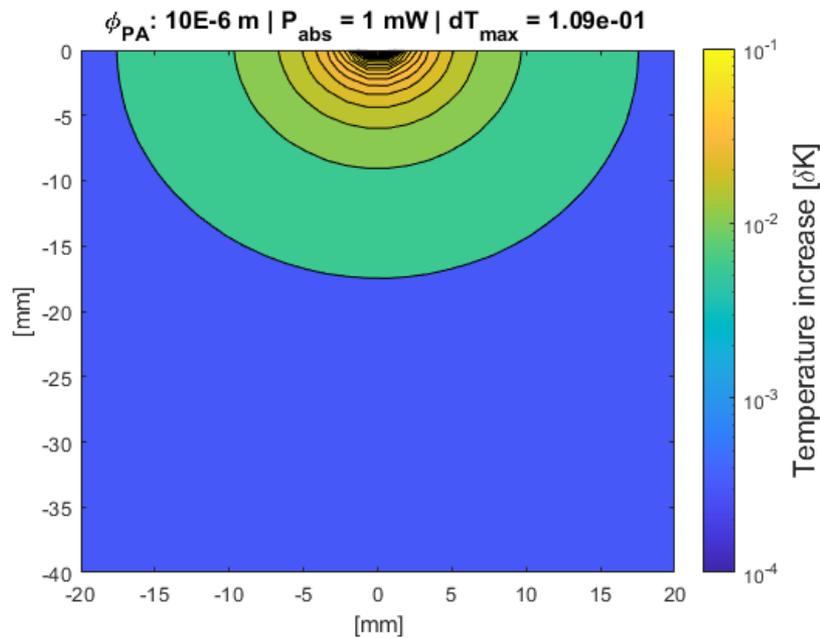
- ❖ Silica cylinder  $\phi = 35\text{cm}$
- ❖ Parameters from Suprasil material
- ❖ Incident Power **100kW (AdV+)**
- ❖ Uniform Absorption  $\alpha = 0.2\text{ppm}$
- ❖ Below Shack-Hartman sensitivity
- ❖ **Stationnary solution**

**Results on uniform absorption are convincing enough to use COMSOL model to simulate point absorbers**

- ❖ Conditions of our setup  
 $P = 200W$ ,  $\omega_0 = 2,5mm$

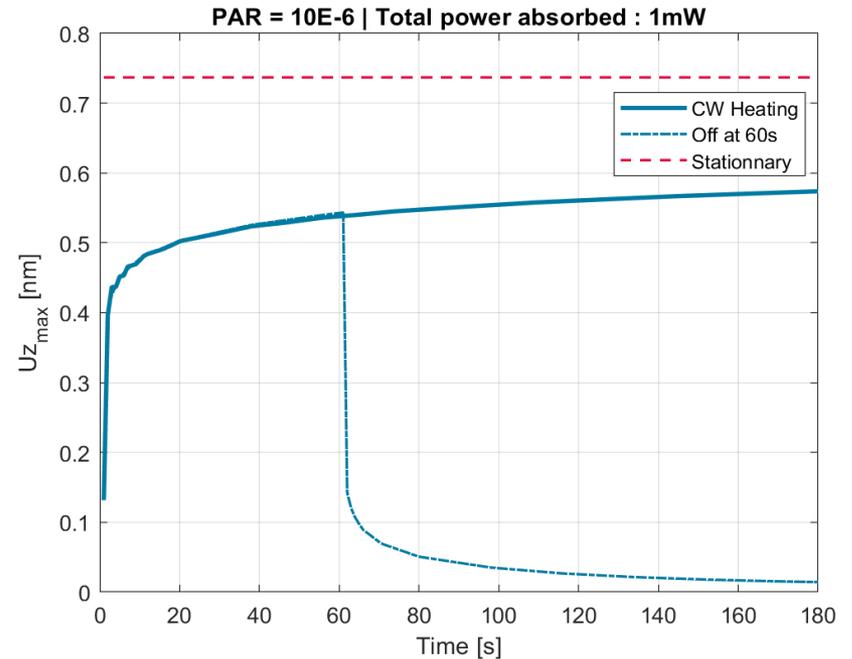
- ❖ PA properties :  
 Radius :  $10 \mu m$ ,  $P_{abs} = 1 mW$

$$\Delta OPL(r) = \beta \int_0^L \Delta T(r, z) dz + 2(n - 1)\Delta L(r)$$

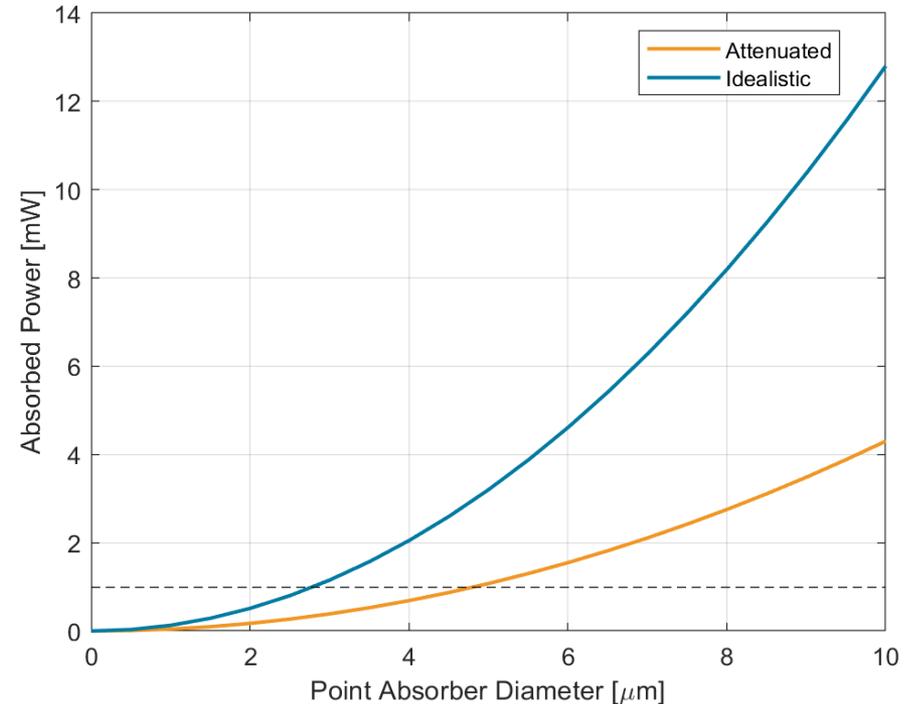


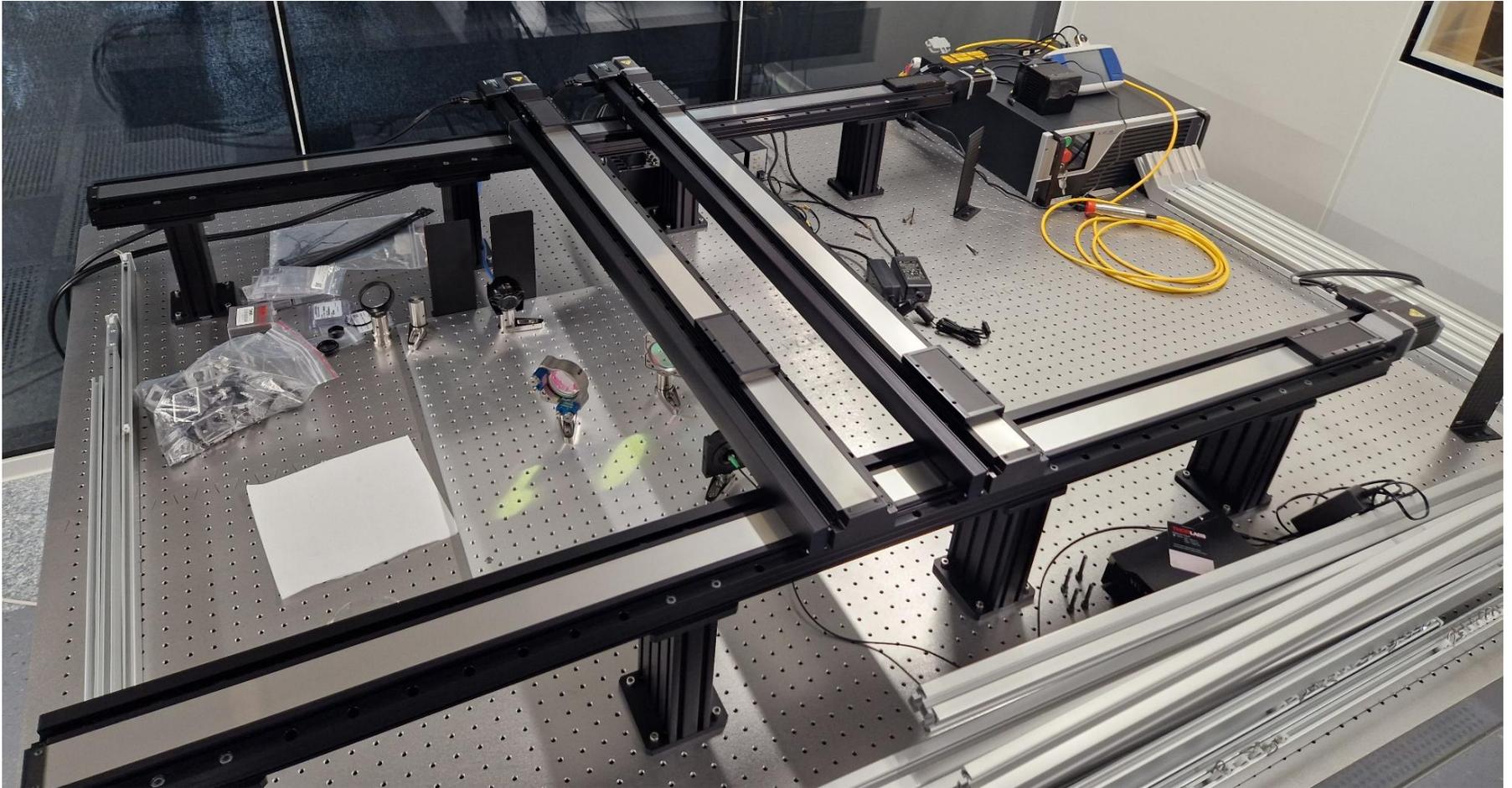
- ❖ Few comparable ressources for point absorption

- ❖ We observe a convergence of the transient evolution to the stationary value
- ❖ For point absorbers we expect to have more than 70% of the effects after 20s of pump time duration
- ❖ The cooling dynamics could also be used to improve the detection accuracy



- ❖ A size limit we could choose is one dictated by the dark field microscope
- ❖ Even in defavorable cases we'll be able to detects Pas of larger size
- ❖ May be improved by a deeper analysis of the wavefront or the dynamical evolutions
- ❖ Similar to Caltech's bench sensitivity

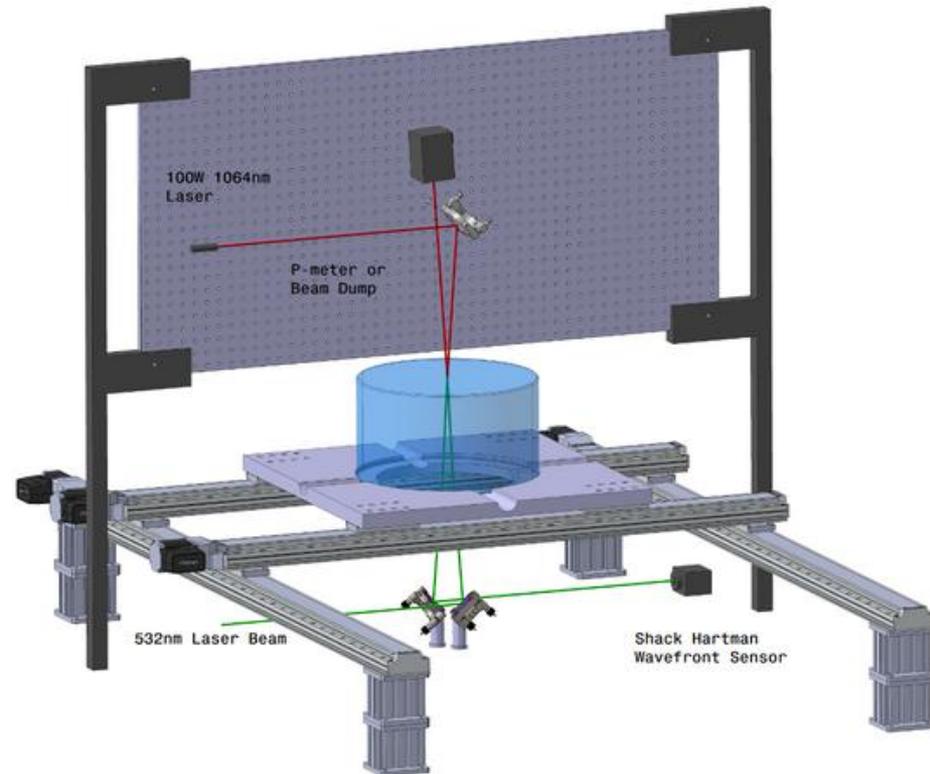




( Installed in the cleanroom )

- ❖ Automate calibrations / data acquisition / logs and error handling/...
- ❖ Enhancing the sensitivity by reducing vibrations, optimizing optical alignment
- ❖ Design of the large mount and adaptations
- ❖ Collecting data over test samples (relatively long scan time, provide feedback for coating R&D processes)
- ❖ Develop an analysis pipeline for these data
- ❖ Testing Virgo test masses ?

- ❖ Remote-Controlled Elements :
  - Laser 200W
  - 2x Piezo-mounts
  - 4x Linear Stages
  - Power-meter
  - Wavefront sensor



# Experimental study of point-like absorbing defects in large mirrors for gravitational wave detectors

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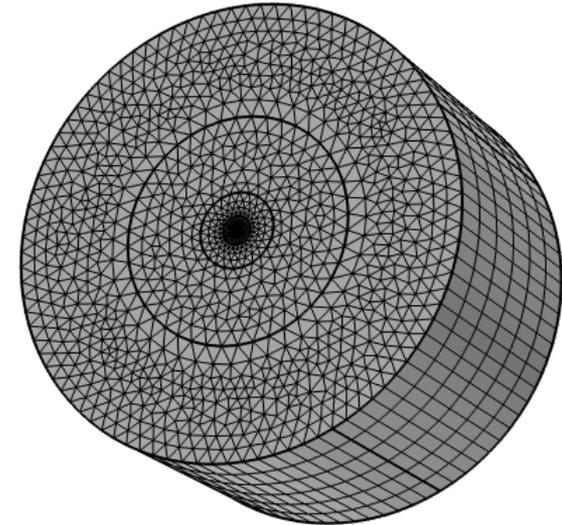
$$❖ \theta_{ij} = \delta_{ij}(\lambda E - \nu \Delta T) + 2\mu E_{ij}$$

❖ Thermo-optical effects

$$❖ \Delta W(r, \theta) = \frac{dn}{dT} \int_0^h \Delta T(r, \theta, z) dz$$

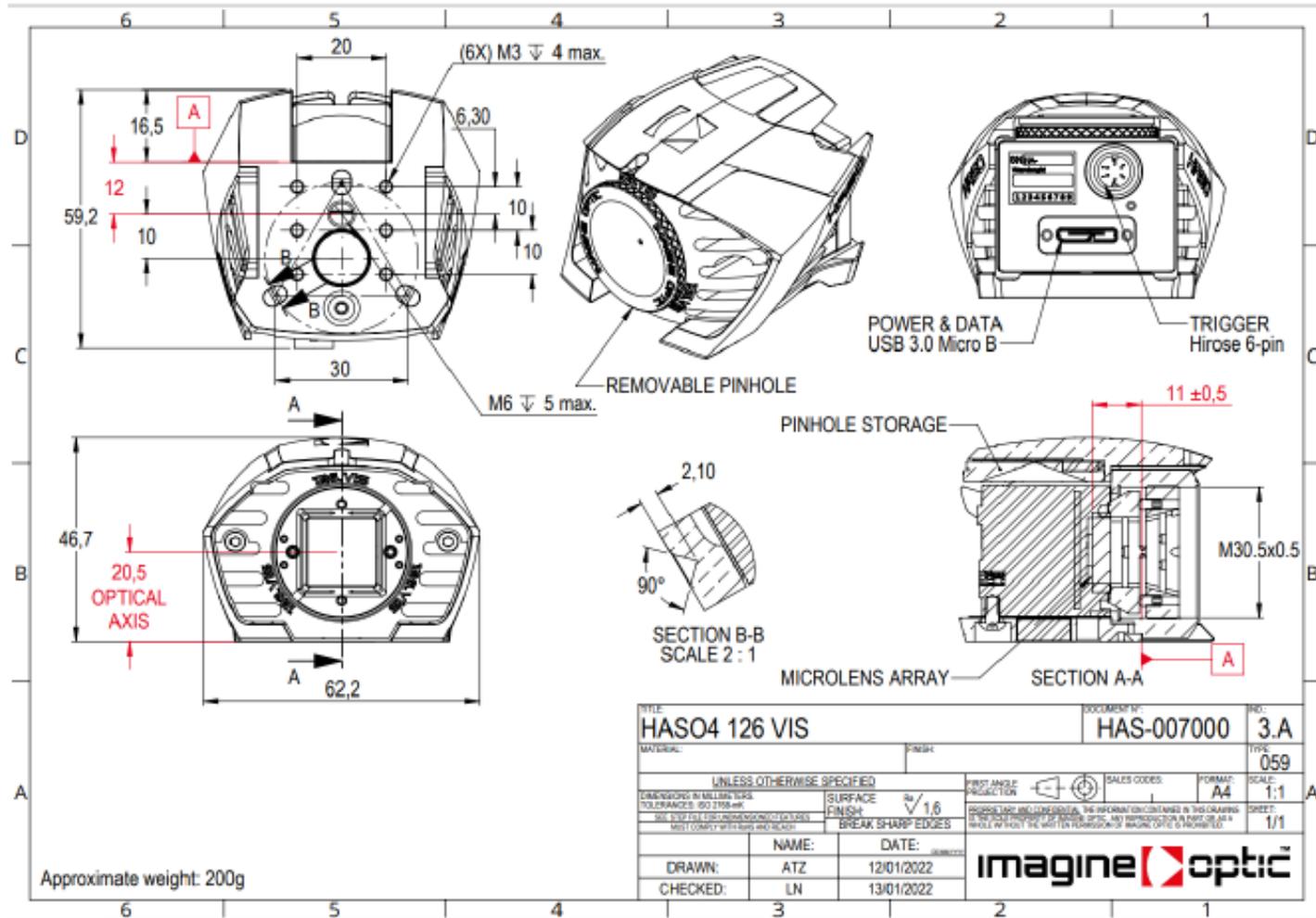
❖ Elasto-optic effects

$$❖ \Delta W(r, \theta) = -\alpha p_{11} \int_0^h \Delta T(r, \theta, z) dz$$



- ❖ The large mount takes time to design and manufacture so I ordered a solution to scan smaller mirrors
- ❖ 100 diameter samples :  
30 min scan time duration





| OPTIC PT             | $P_{abs}$  | $\Delta P_{arm}$ or $P_{HPAD}$ | ABS*<br>Dependent on measurement system | Relative or absolute intensity   | Circular diameter    | REF   |
|----------------------|------------|--------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|----------------------|---|
| H1-ETMX [A]          | 5.5mW      | ~90kW                          | ~60ppb                                  | Unknown [80%]                    | 24 $\mu$ m           | G2102068  |
| L1-ETMX [ $\alpha$ ] | 19.5mW     | ~210kW                         | ~93ppb                                  | ~30%                             | 49 $\mu$ m           | aLOG <a href="#">46090</a>                        |
| L1-ETMX [ $\beta$ ]  | 13.7mW     | ~210kW                         | ~65ppb                                  | ~28%                             | 42 $\mu$ m           | aLOG <a href="#">46090</a>                        |
| L1-ETMY [main]       | ~5mW       | ~113kW                         | ~45ppb                                  | ~60%                             | 24 $\mu$ m           | aLOG <a href="#">54361</a>                        |
| H1-ITMX [O1/O2]      | 25.5mW     | ~137kW                         | ~190ppb                                 | $17 \pm 7$ W/mm <sup>2</sup>     | 44 + [13,-7] $\mu$ m | aLOG <a href="#">34900</a> , <a href="#">LDAS</a> |
| H1-ITMY [1] (O1/O2)  | 2.3mW      | ~137kW                         | ~17ppb                                  | $2.6 \pm 1.6$ W/mm <sup>2</sup>  | 39 $\pm$ 15 $\mu$ m  | G2200069  |
| H1-ITMY [2] (O1/O2)  | 8.2mW      | ~137kW                         | ~60ppb                                  | $10.8 \pm 1.3$ W/mm <sup>2</sup> | 31 $\pm$ 2 $\mu$ m   | G2200069  |
| H1-ITMY [3] (O1/O2)  | 2.0mW      | ~137kW                         | ~15ppb                                  | $4.3 \pm 2.1$ W/mm <sup>2</sup>  | 27 $\pm$ 8 $\mu$ m   | G2200069  |
| H1-ITMY [4] (O1/O2)  | 4.1mW      | ~137kW                         | ~30ppb                                  | $8.7 \pm 2.2$ W/mm <sup>2</sup>  | 25 $\pm$ 4 $\mu$ m   | G2200069  |
| H1-ITMY [5] (O1/O2)  | 1.5mW      | ~137kW                         | ~11ppb                                  | $1.8 \pm 1.3$ W/mm <sup>2</sup>  | 40 $\pm$ 18 $\mu$ m  | G2200069  |
| H1-ITMY [6] (O1/O2)  | 1.1mW      | ~137kW                         | ~8ppb                                   | $4.5 \pm 2.1$ W/mm <sup>2</sup>  | 20 $\pm$ 6 $\mu$ m   | G2200069  |
| ITM11 - i [HPAD]     | 0.47mW     | 95W                            | 4.9ppm                                  | 1.2 - 2.4W/mm <sup>2</sup>       | 16 - 22 $\mu$ m      | G2200069  |
| ITM11 - b [HPAD]     | 51 $\mu$ W | 95W                            | 0.54ppm                                 | 1.2 - 2.4W/mm <sup>2</sup>       | 5 - 7 $\mu$ m        | G2200069  |
| ITM11 - g [HPAD]     | 48 $\mu$ W | 95W                            | 0.51ppm                                 | 1.2 - 2.4W/mm <sup>2</sup>       | 5 - 7 $\mu$ m        | G2200069  |