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## Outline

Environmental conditions:

Mechanical stability

Thermal stability

Humidity control

Dust freedom & optics cleaning

Safety

Off-the-shelf optical components and subsystems:

Lenses

Mirrors

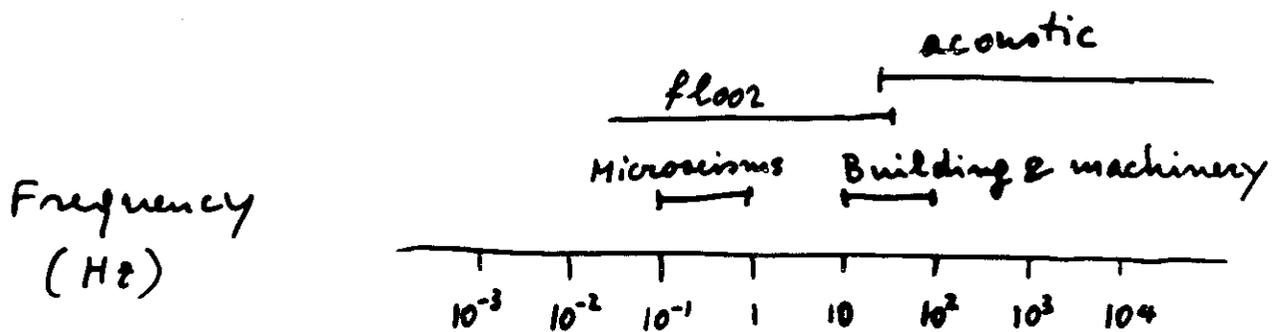
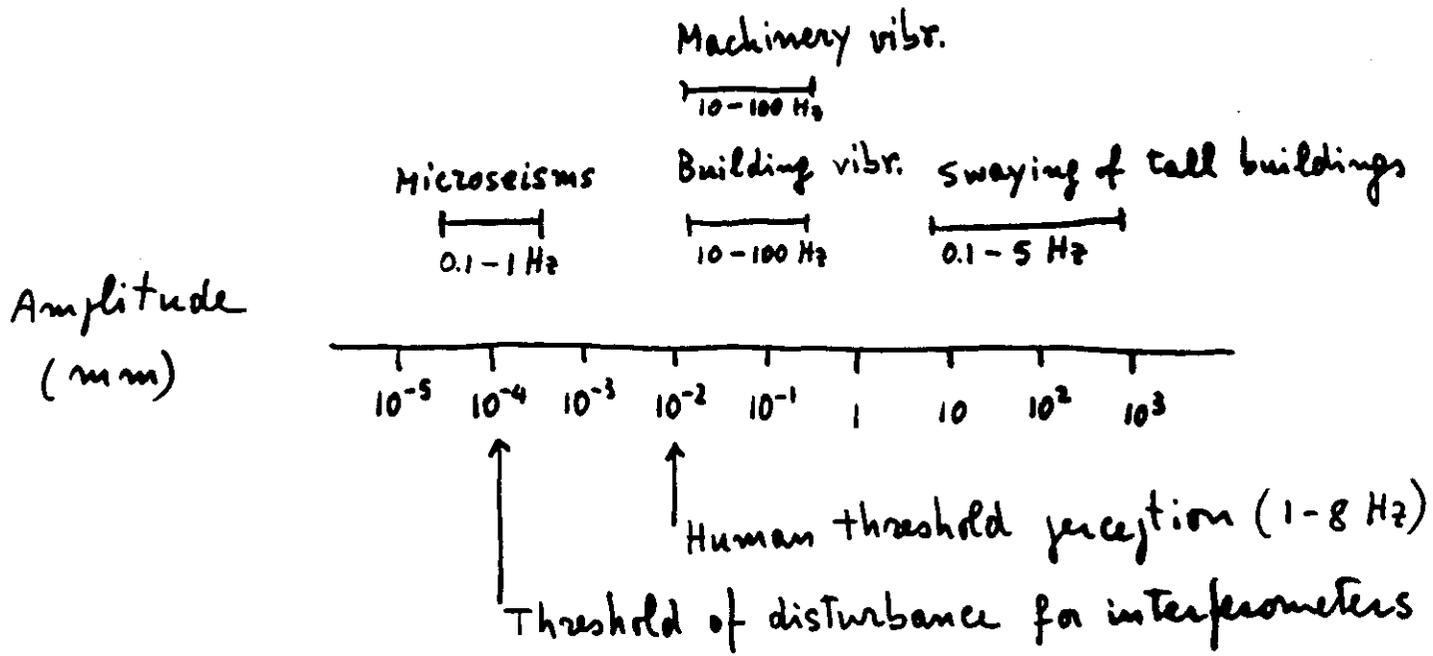
Beam splitters

Spatial filter

Beam expander

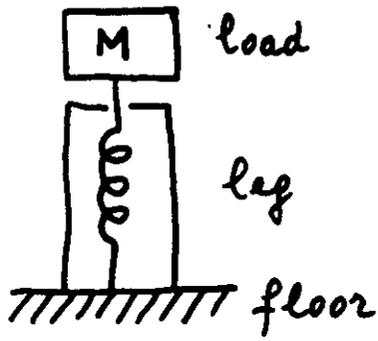
Beam steering

Simple experiments



Major sources of instability:

1. Ground or floor vibrations
2. Airborne vibrations (acoustic)
3. Equipment induced vibrations
4. Quasi-static forces (load changes upon the system)
5. Thermal effects



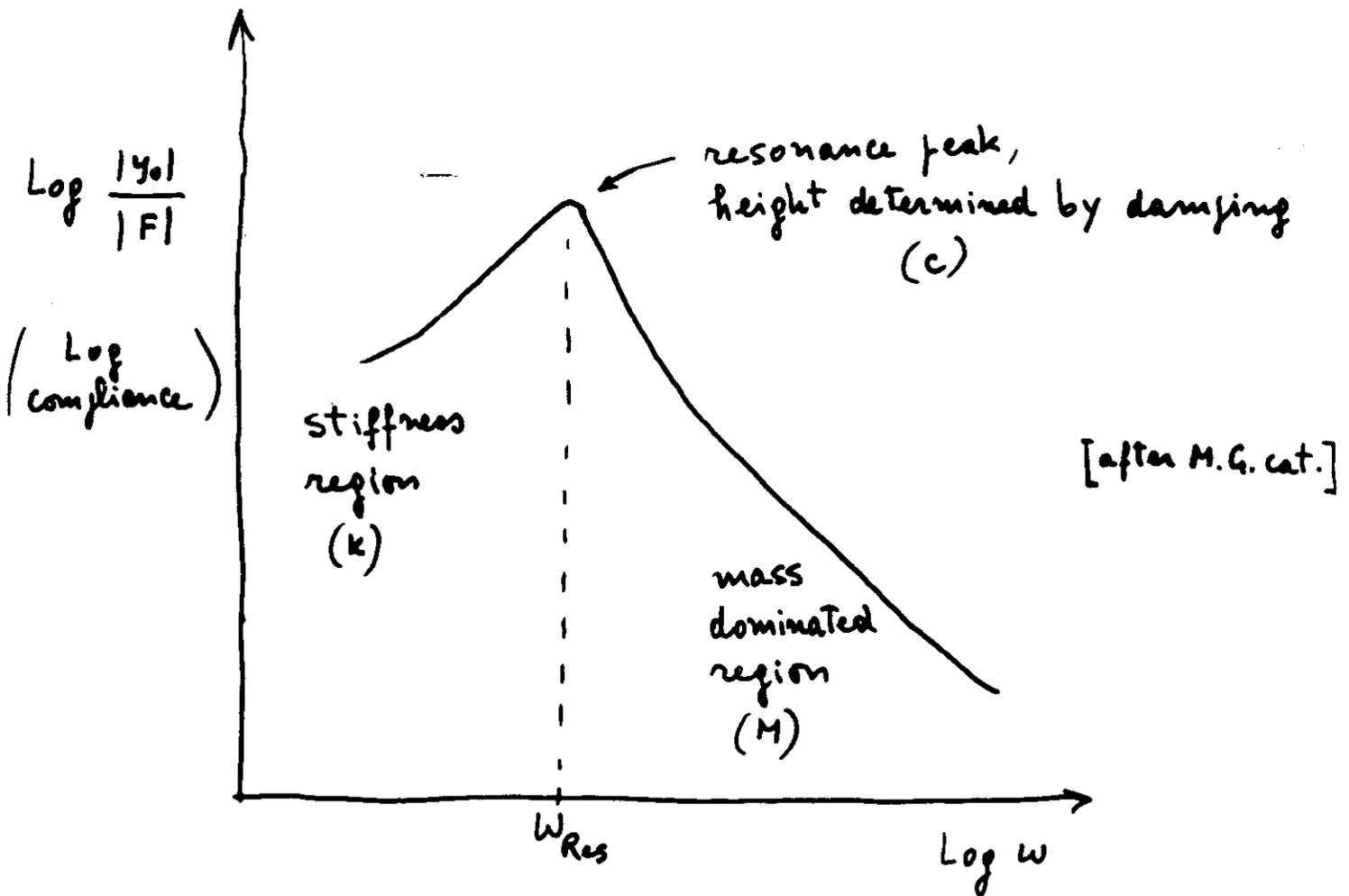
$$M \ddot{y} + c \dot{y} + ky = F \sin \omega t$$

↑ damping term
↑ elastic force
↑ driving force

$$\Rightarrow y = y_0 \sin(\omega t + \varphi)$$

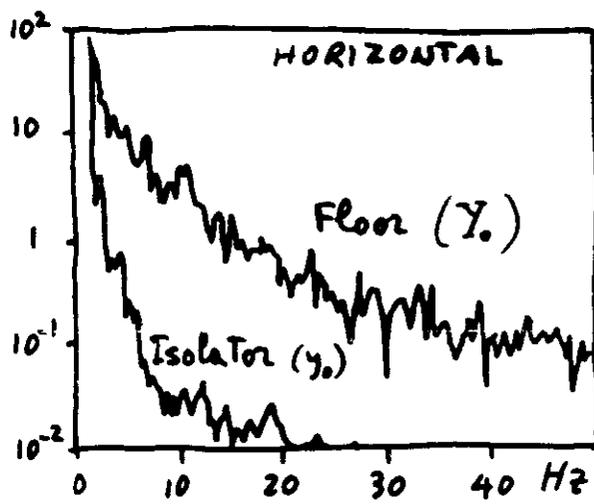
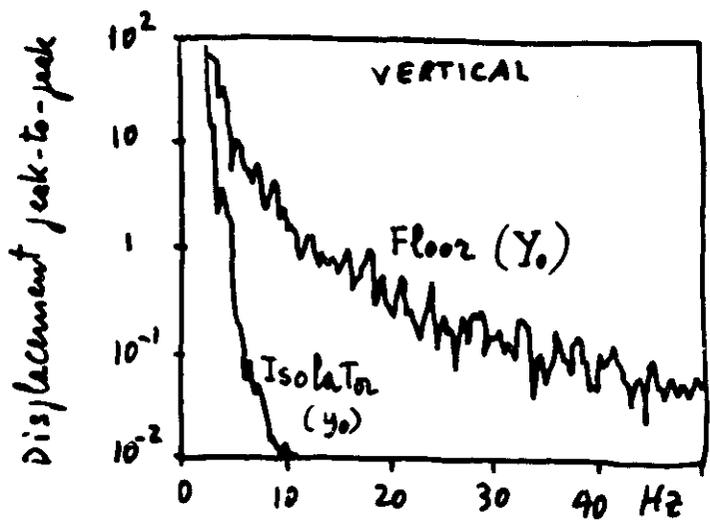
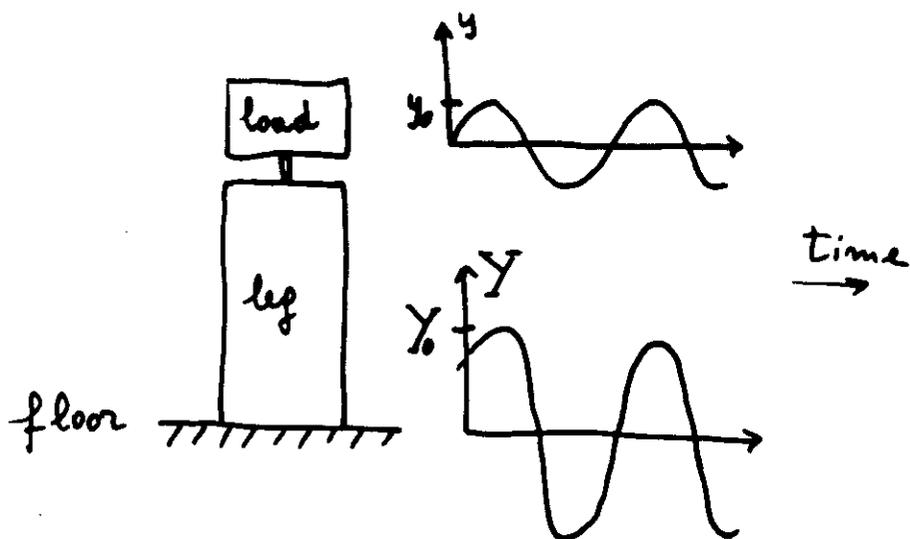
$$y_0 = \frac{F}{\sqrt{(k - M\omega^2)^2 - (c\omega)^2}}, \quad \omega_{Res} = \sqrt{\frac{k}{M}}$$

↑ stiffness
↑ mass effect
↑ damping

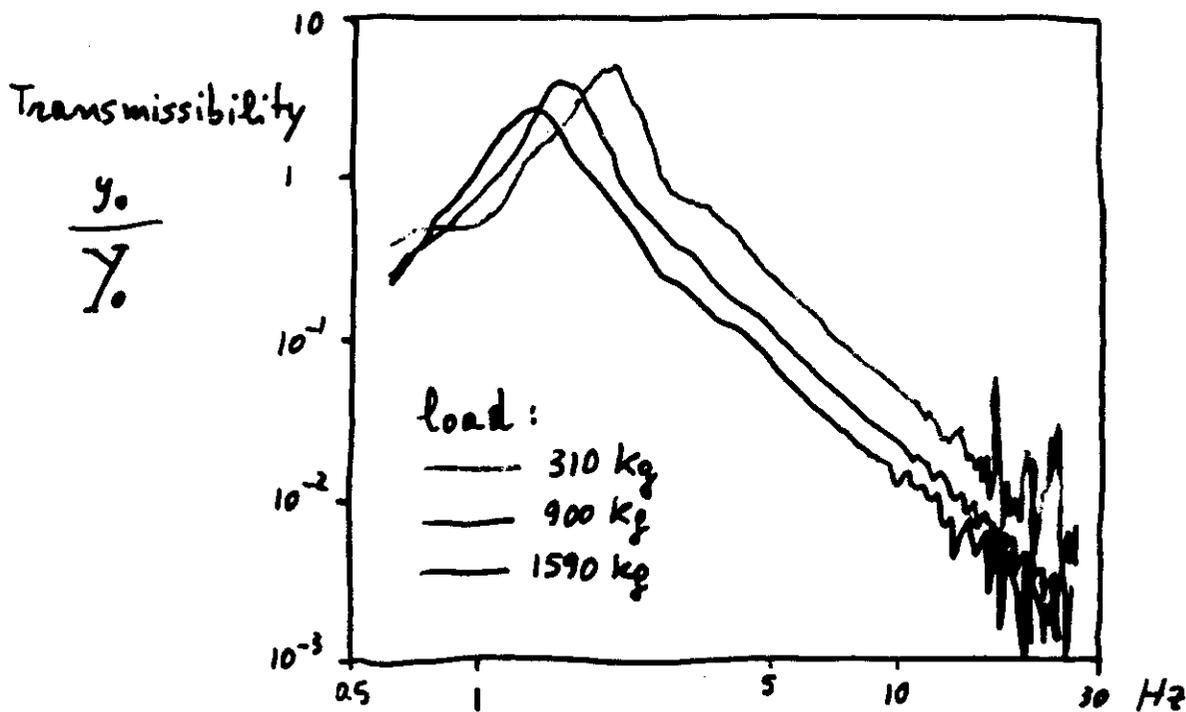


Load on isolation leg: transmissibility curve

$$F \sin \omega t \propto Y_0 \sin(\omega t + \theta)$$



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is usually at higher frequency and thus less important.

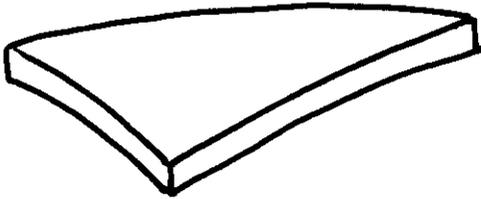


1<sup>st</sup> long bending mode

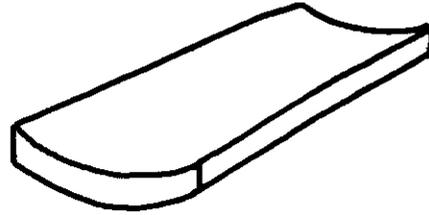


2<sup>nd</sup> long bending mode

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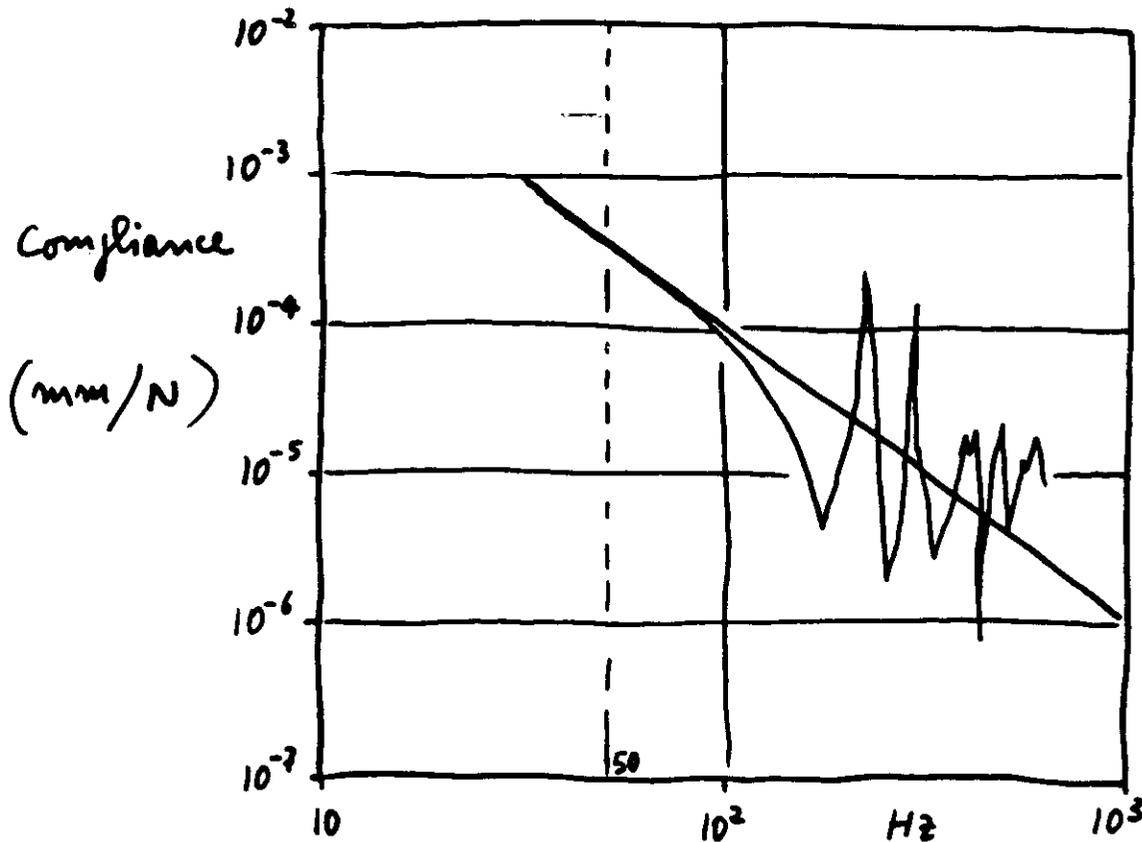


Torsional bending mode



Short bending mode

Compliance curve for an aluminum honeycomb table,  $1.2 \times 1.8 \times 0.2$  m

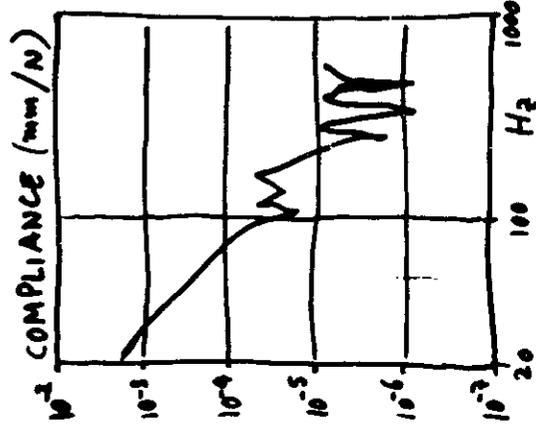
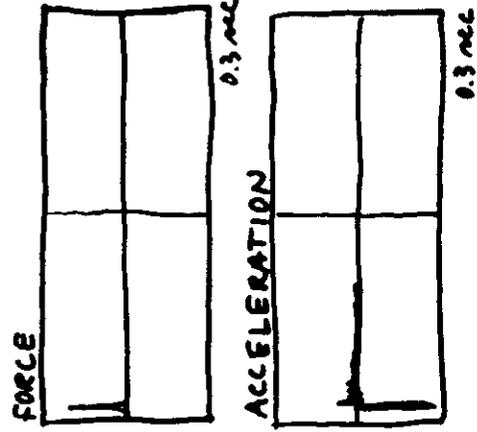


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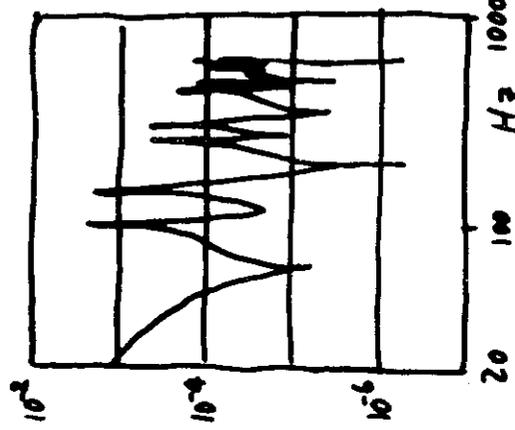
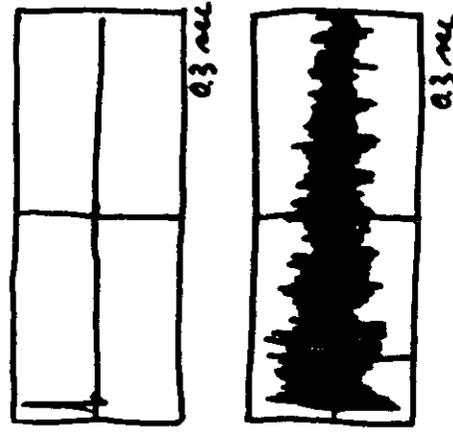
# Comparison of Table Tops

## Technique / construction

### Typical damped honeycomb



### Ordinary honeycomb panel



## Advantages

- Excellent static and dynamic rigidity
- Excellent long term stability
- Can be fabricated in a wide range of sizes, shapes
- Tapped holes for easy surface mounting
- Convenient working surface (magnetic or nonmagnetic)
- High stiffness to weight ratio

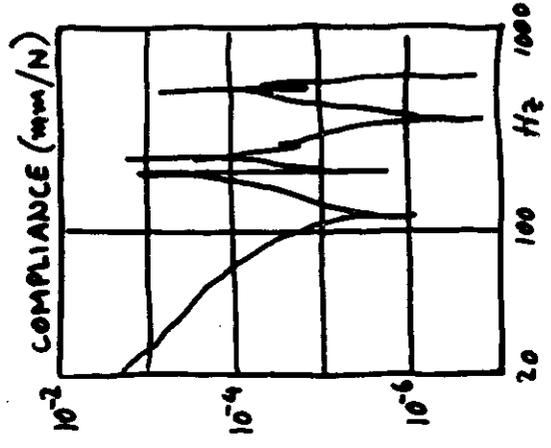
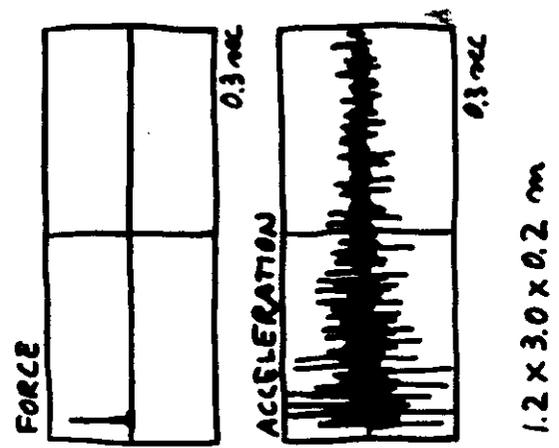
## Disadvantages

- Practical limit of flatness about  $\pm 65 \mu$  depending upon the material

- High stiffness to weight ratio
- Can be fabricated in a wide range of sizes, shapes
- Convenient working surface

- Damping, static and dynamic rigidity are often more than 10x worse than typical damped honeycomb
- Honeycomb with viscoelastic layers may have very poor long term stability due to creep
- Practical limit of flatness

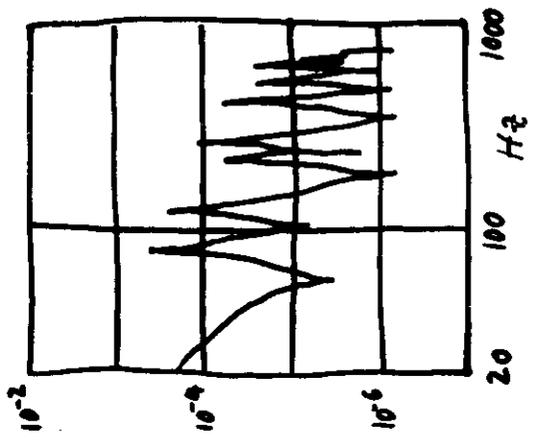
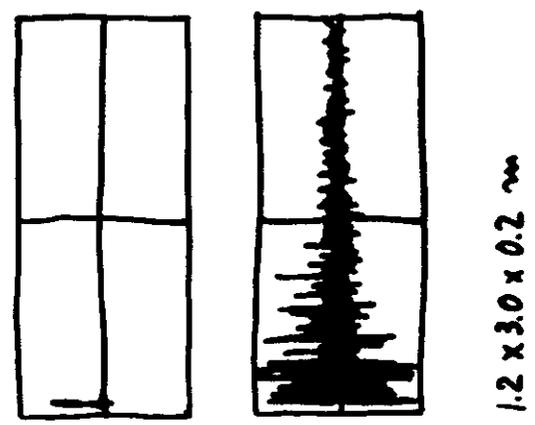
### Granite (solid polished block)



- Can be polished flat to a few microns depending on site
- Useful when flatness or mass is most important

- Difficult to mount components
- Low resonance frequencies
- May sag
- Difficult and expensive to take working surfaces not magnetic
- Difficult to fabricate in special shapes
- Very heavy

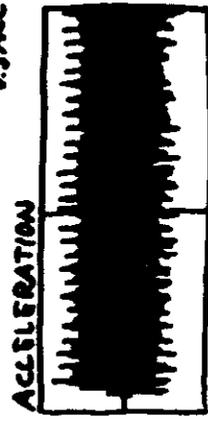
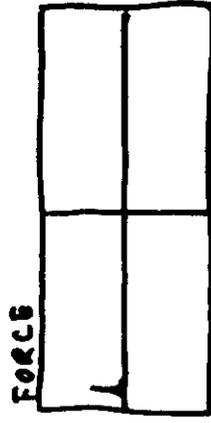
### Concrete (solid or reinforced block)



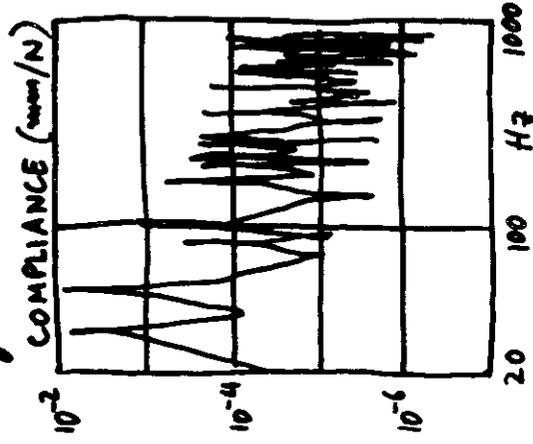
- Inexpensive
- Can be joined in situ for very large structures

- Difficult to mount components to and has poor flatness
- Dirty chips flake off
- Can take up to one year to cure, causing poor stability
- Size changes with humidity
- Low resonant frequencies
- Generally not recommended for vibration control, so useful as a heavy reactive mass

Cast iron, steel or aluminum plates or castings



1.2 x 3.0 x 0.05 m



- Inexpensive
- Magnetic surface available
- Can be machined
- Very poor dynamic rigidity
- Low stiffness to weight ratio
- Poor flatness

Eggcrate honeycomb (cells of vertical plates glued or welded between skins)

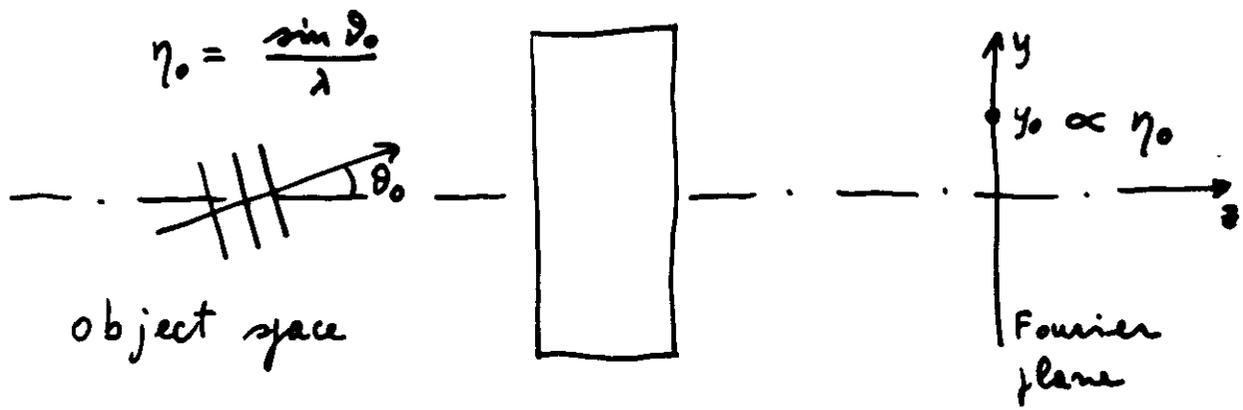
- Good static rigidity
- Can be fabricated in special shapes

- Poorly damped
- Poor local rigidity
- Relatively heavy
- Very low resonance frequencies
- Very poor damping "ringing"

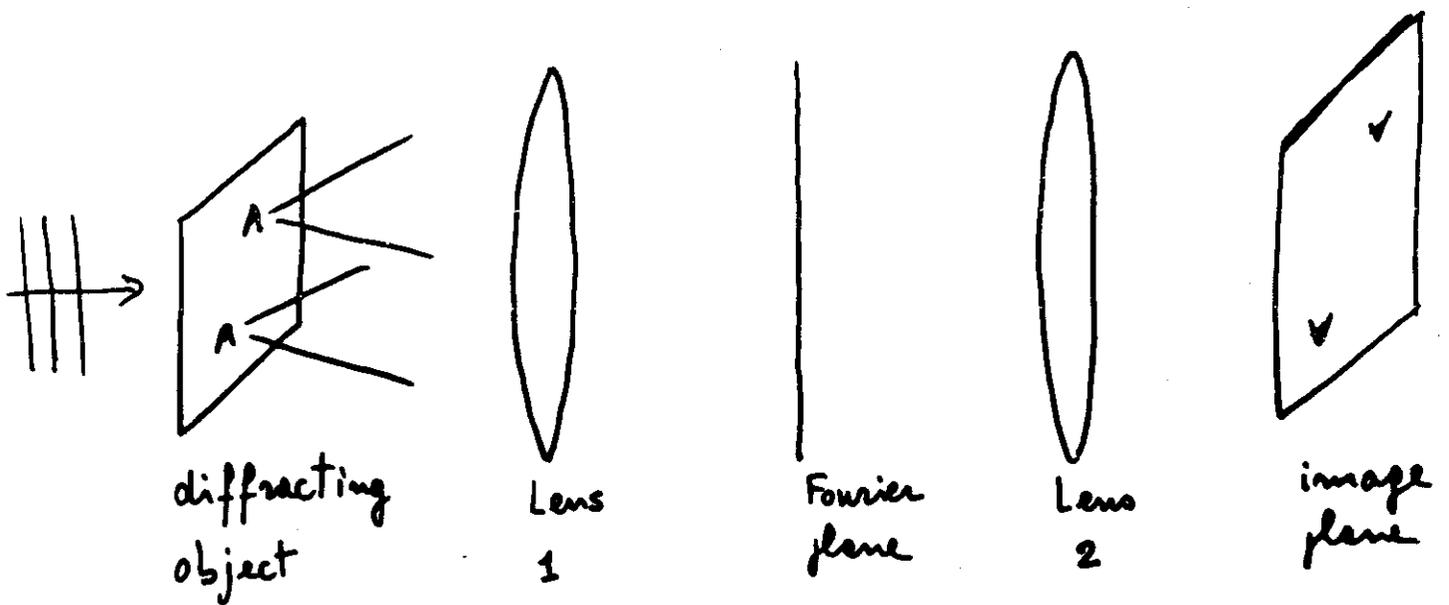
Marble (solid finished block)

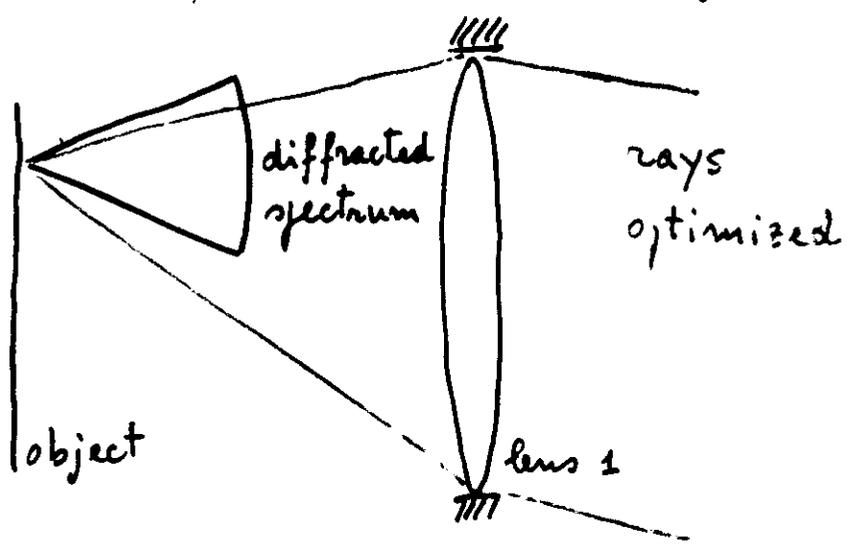
- Good thermal conductor

- Sags and does not stay flat
- Abras surface, stains
- Difficult to fabricate in special shapes

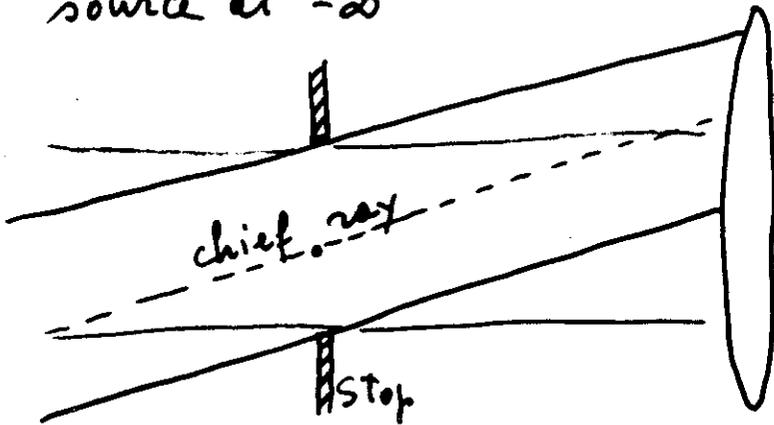


4-f processor: Geometrical optics approach

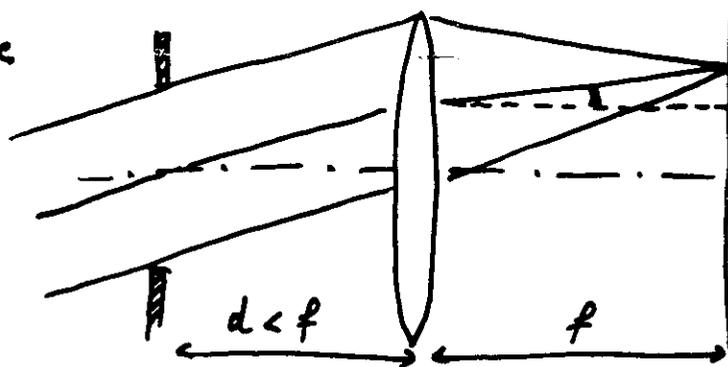




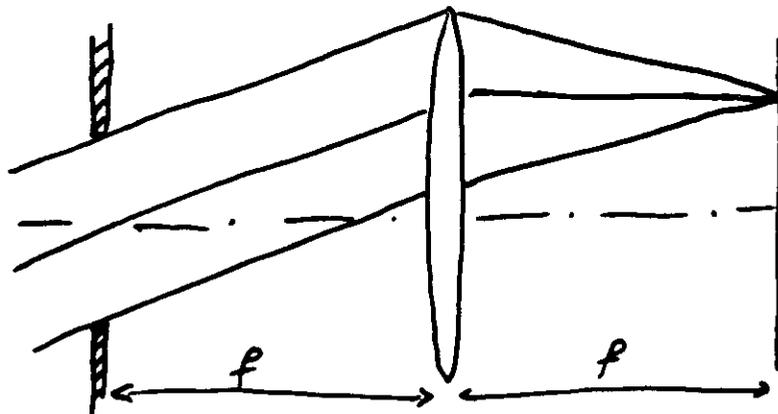
Stop at the object,  
source at  $-\infty$



Non-Telecentric  
Stop

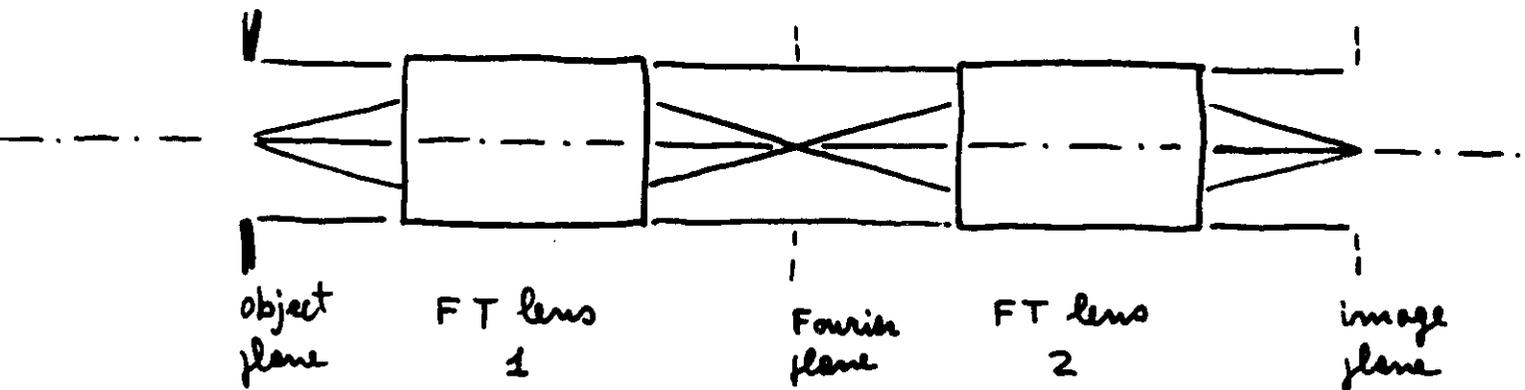
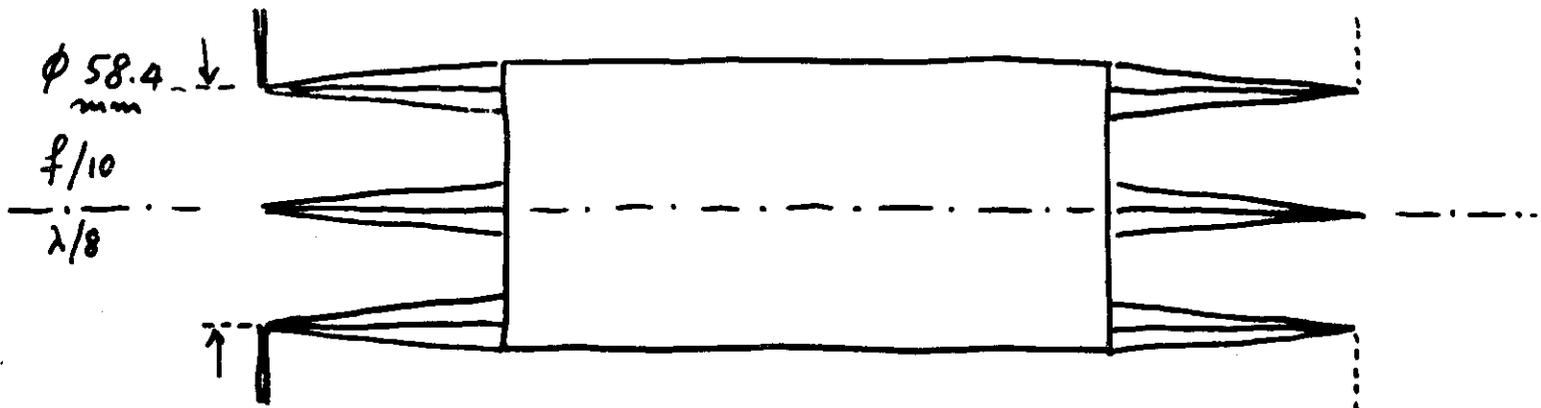
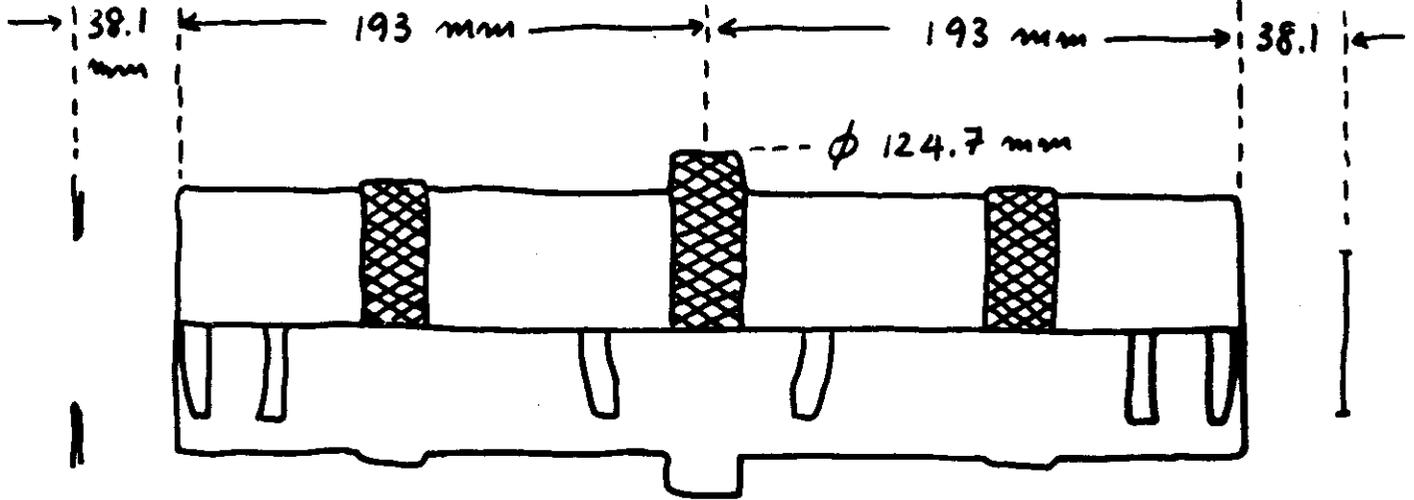


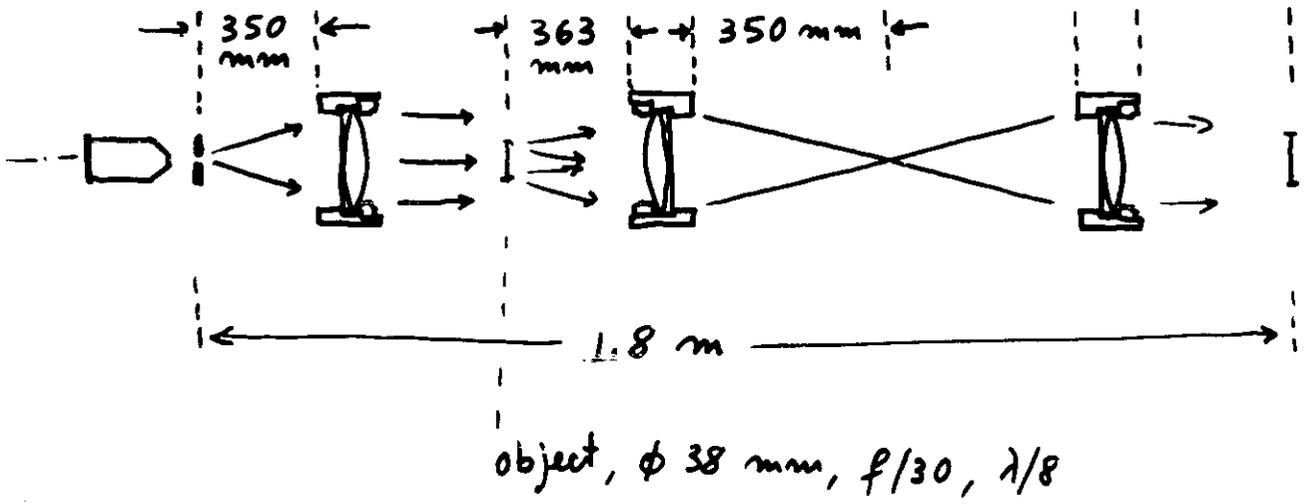
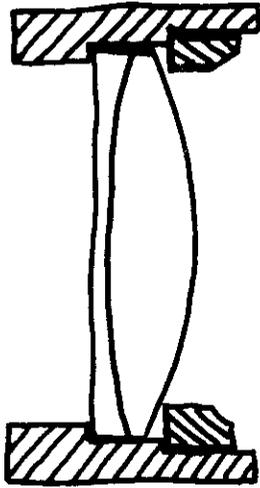
Telecentric  
stop



1. Stigmatic imaging at the back focal plane
2. Chief ray fulfilling the sine condition  $n \alpha y (\sin \theta \approx y)$
3. Telecentric stop, source at  $-\infty$ .

SYMMETRICAL FT LENS [TROPEL]





# PLANO-CONVEX LENS

$R_1 = 50 \text{ mm}$

$R_2 = \infty$

thickness = 5 mm

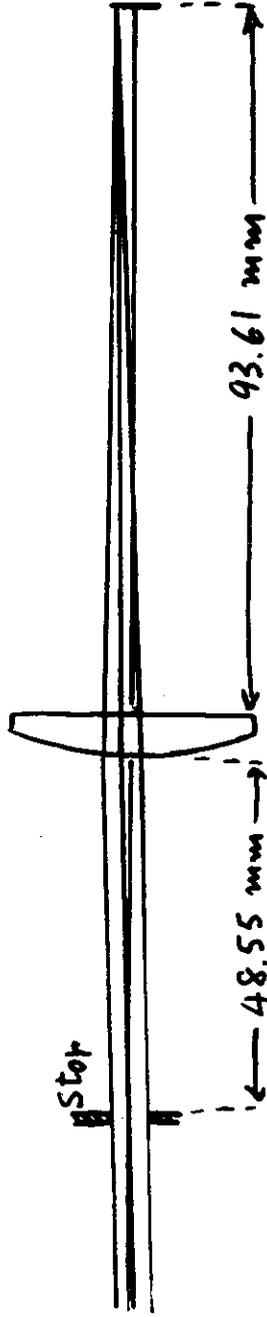
glass: BK7

$\lambda = 633 \text{ nm}$

object  $\phi$  5 mm

$f/19$

$\lambda/8$



$\lambda/8$ operation at:	EPD	field angle	SW
5 mm ( $f/19$ )		$1.6^\circ$ ( $44 \text{ lp/mm}$ )	220
10 mm ( $f/9.7$ )		$0.5^\circ$ ( $13.8 \text{ lp/mm}$ )	138

Cube splitter. Aberration effects

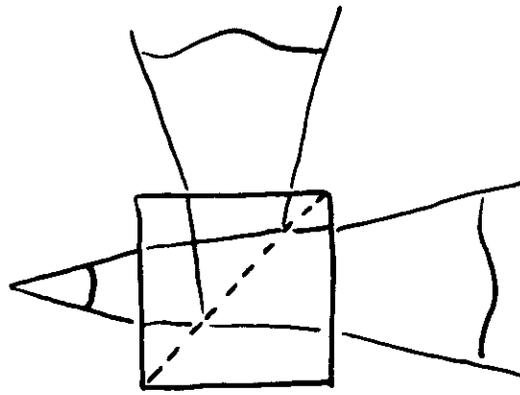
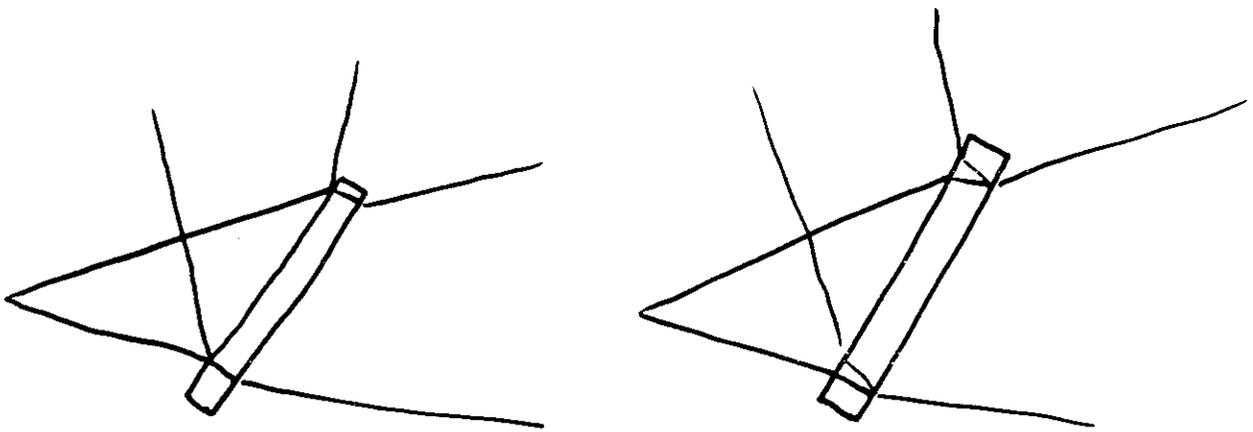
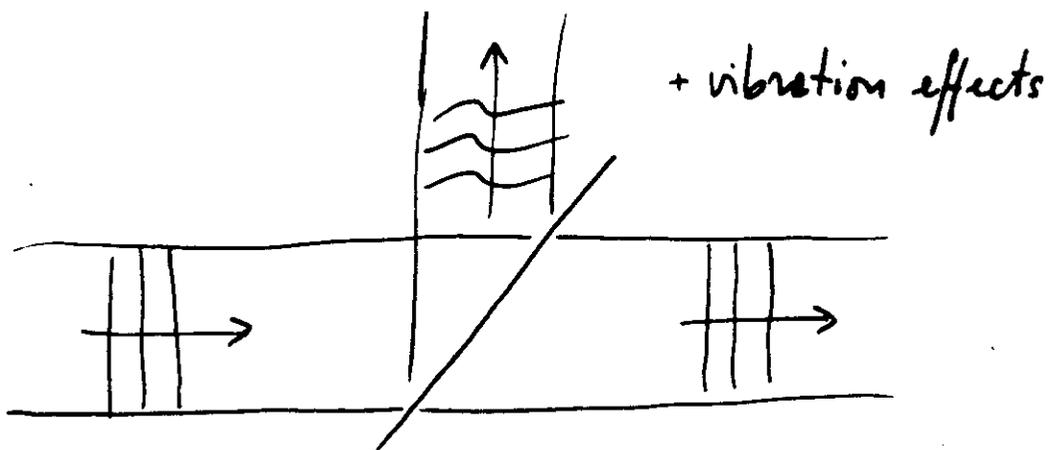
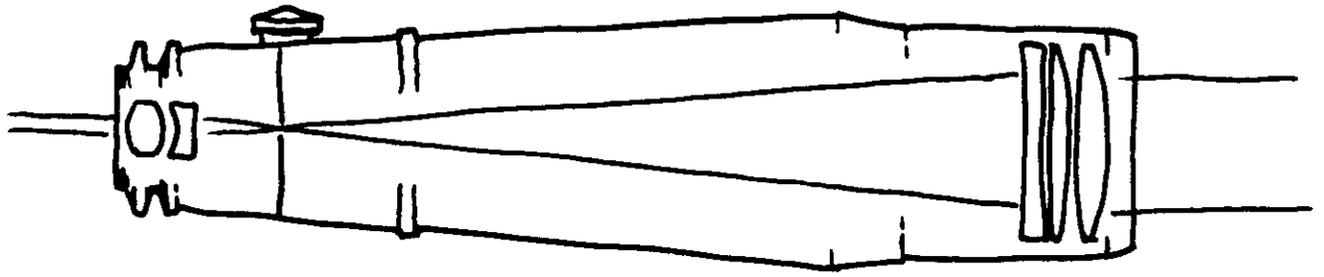


Plate splitter: Aberration effects

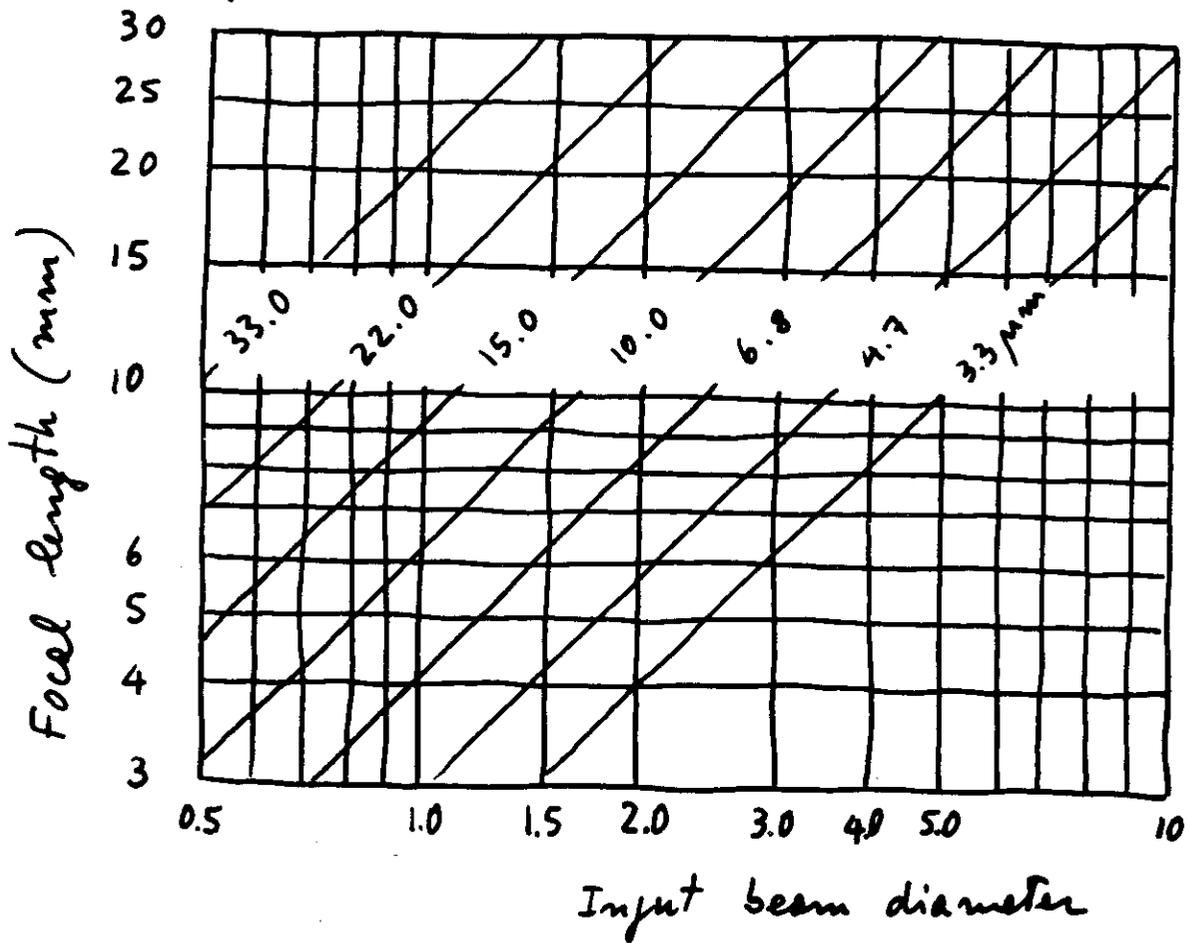


Pellicle splitter: Aberration effects



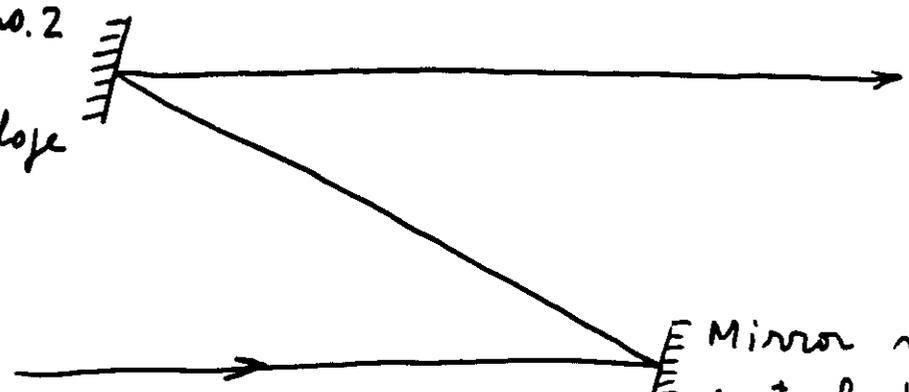


Choice of pinhole diameter



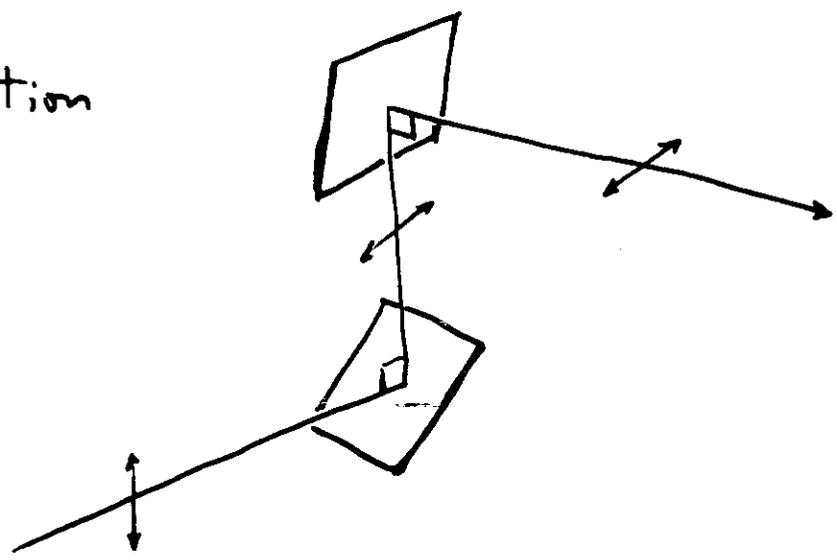
# Beam steering

Mirror no. 2  
controls  
beam slope



Mirror no. 1  
controls beam height  
at mirror no. 2

Polarization  
effect



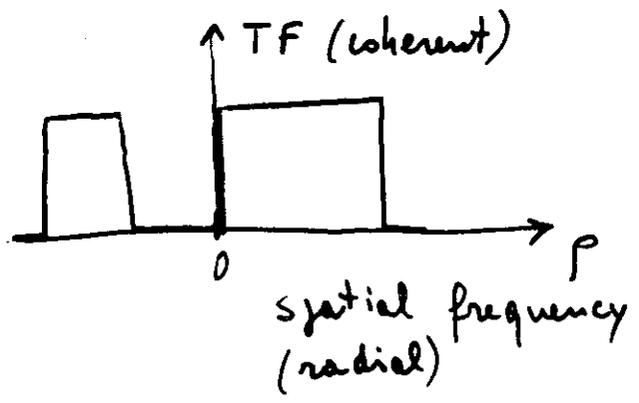
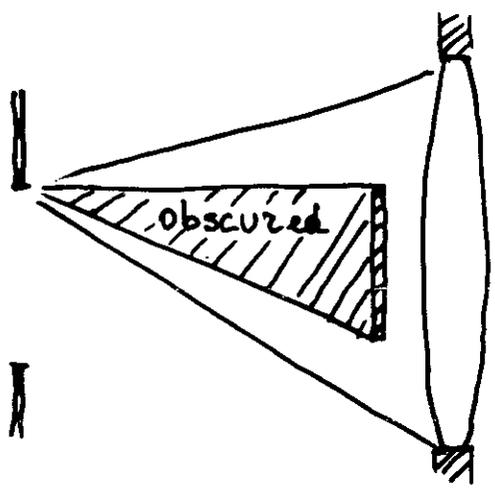
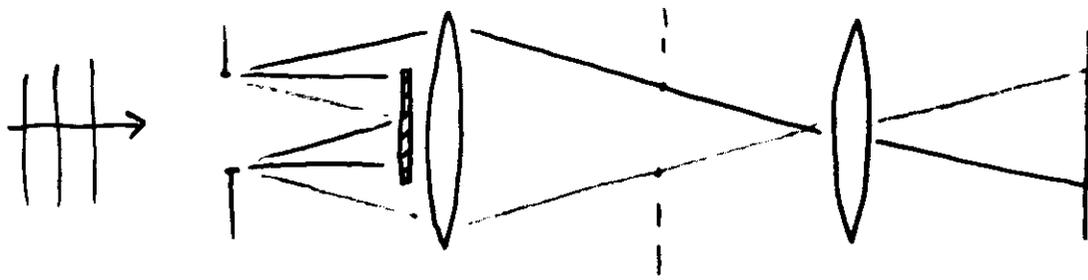
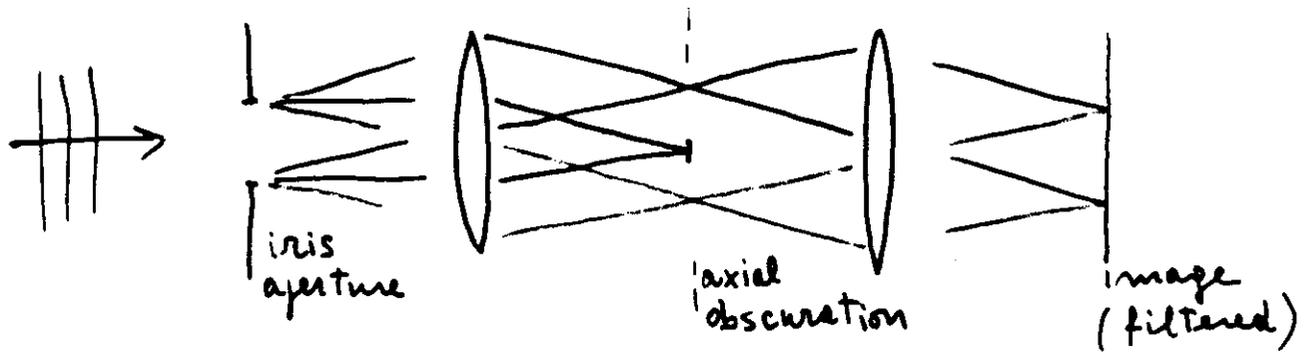
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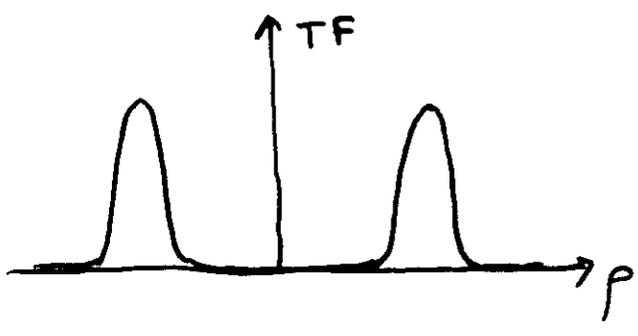
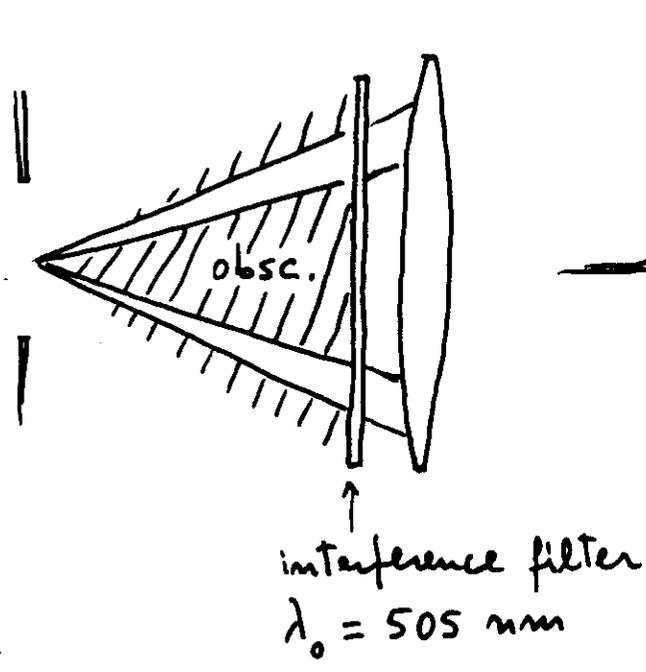
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