



First results with the NOM-LTP at the Alba optics laboratory

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About ALBA

The machine

3 GeV machine 4.5 nmrad, prepared for Top Up

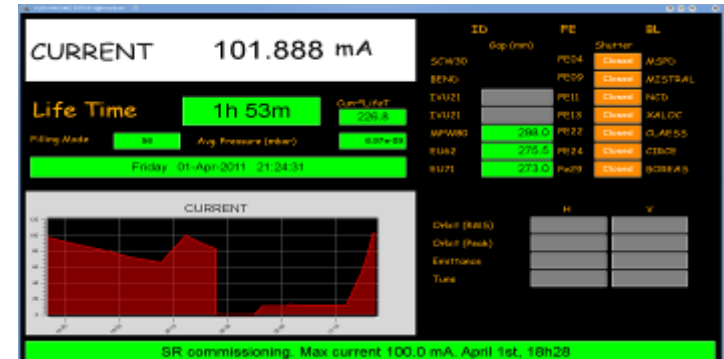
Currently in commissioning of the SR

Mar 8th: Arrives the operation permit

Mar 9th: 1st turn completed

Mar 16th: 1st accumulated beam

Apr 1st: 100 mA



Beamlines Phase 1: 7 beamline

3 grating monochromators 100 eV – 4keV

4 crystal monochromators 6 keV – 60 keV

37 mirrors and gratings - 27 measured and installed

The lab of optics has performed the acceptance and characterization of optical elements.

CCI
NOM enclosure

NOM

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INTERFEROMETER



NOM @ Alba



Based on autocollimator and scanning pentaprism in stable environment

1500 mm scan length

300 mm sagittal translation

*High accuracy, repeatability
and stability*

AC noise:

Typical 100 nrad @ 25 Hz

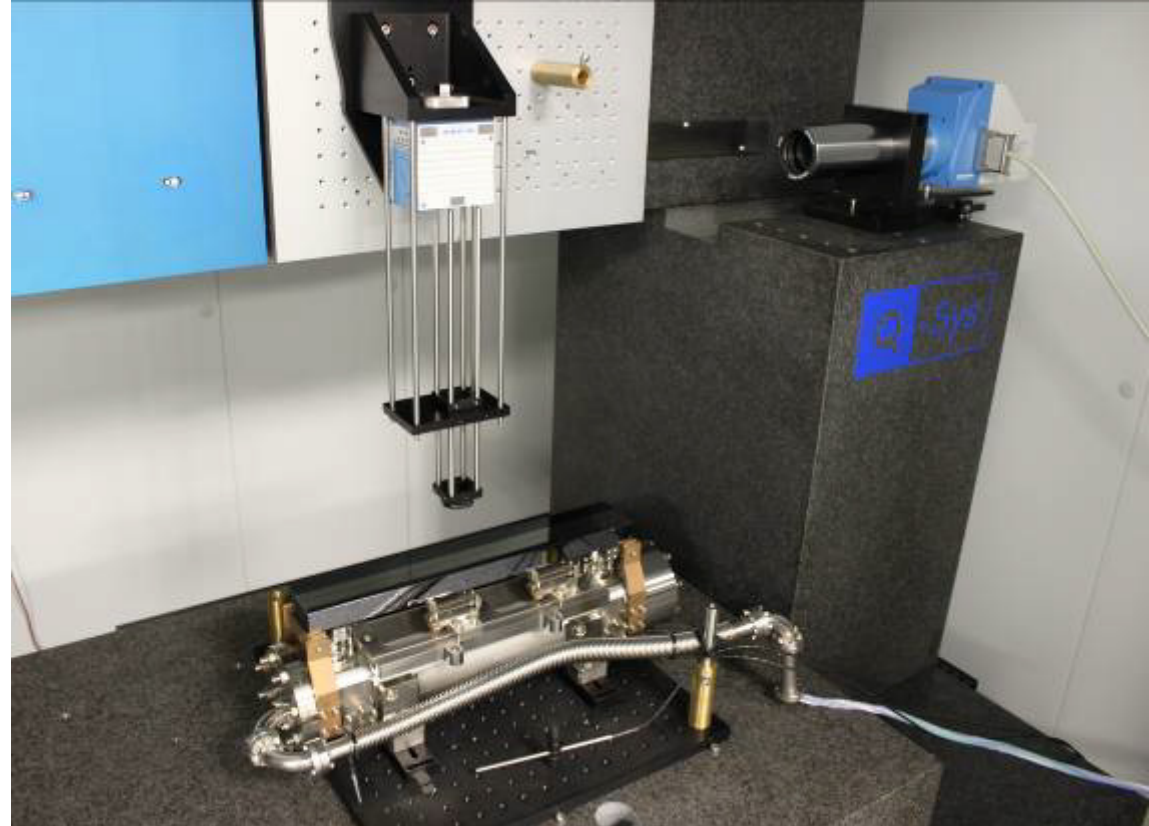
20 nrad @ 1 Hz

Temperature stability:

~ 20 mK/day

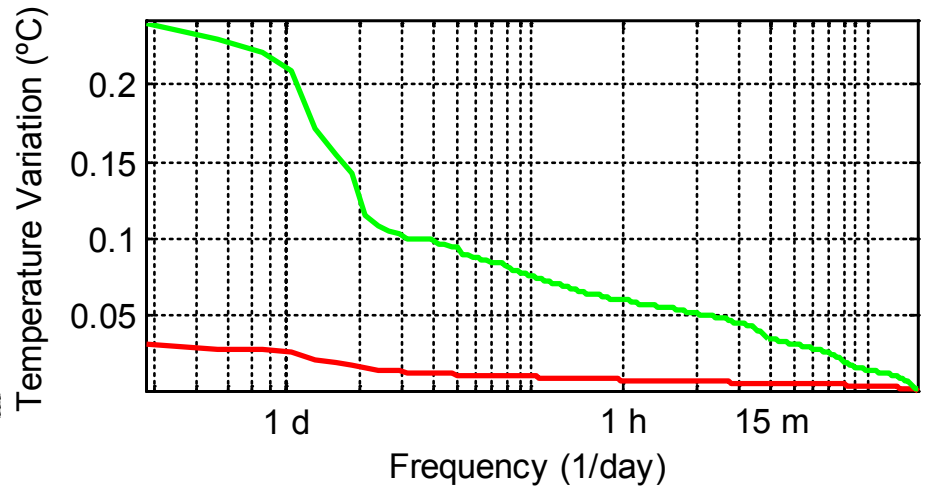
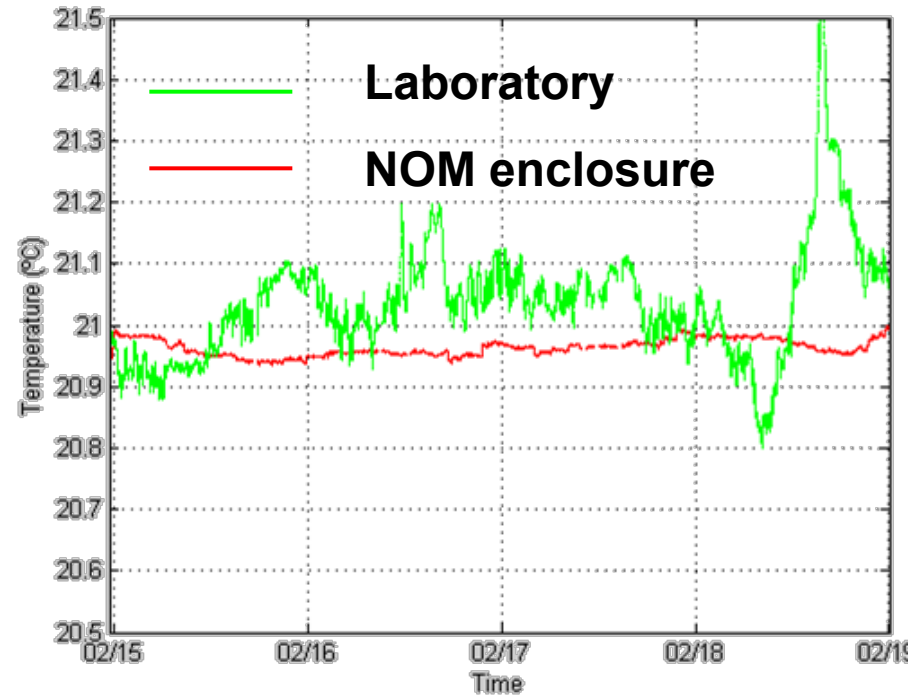
~10 mK during scans

worse for longer periods



Temperature stability

The NOM is installed in a thermal isolation enclosure



Temperature of the room still to improve. HVAC still in commissioning.

However the NOM enclosure dumps very well temperature variations

Integrated to Tango control system



Motion and acquisition are driven by Tango device servers

Easy to integrate mirror control on the lab.

Matlab binding:

→ Program scans → Automation

→ GUI

→ Data Analysis

Almost 1700 h of scans in 2010

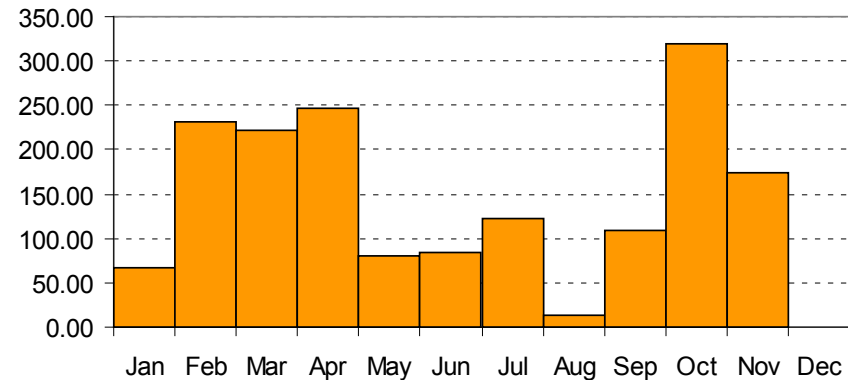
→ Acceptance of 27 mirrors + holders

→ Calibration of benders

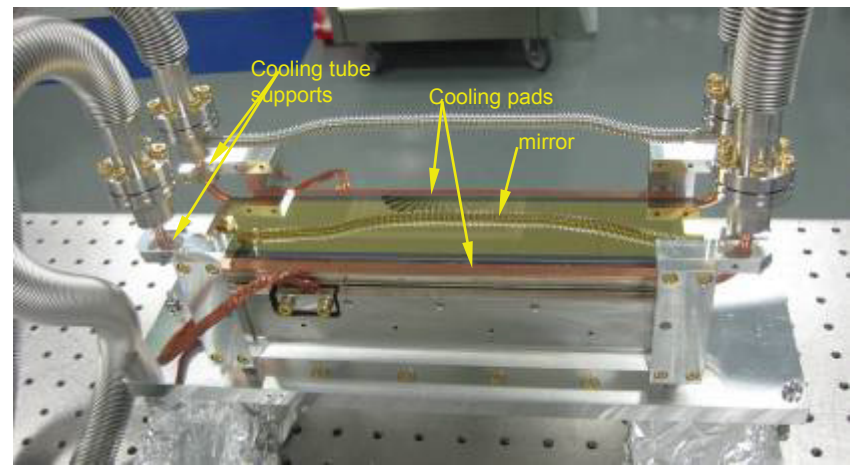
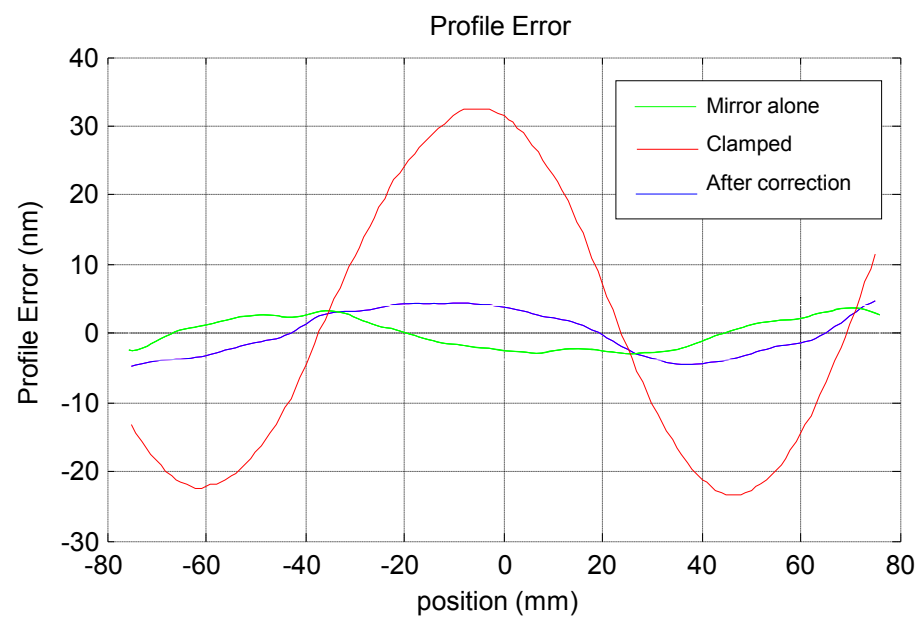
→ Optimization of mirror shapes

→ Figure errors below 0.5µrad are frequent

Estimation of scanning hours (total 1673 h)



Deformation induced by a cooling tube



Grating by Carl Zeiss installed on a holder by Toyama:

Specification: 0.3 μ rad

• **Blank alone: 0.163 μ rad**

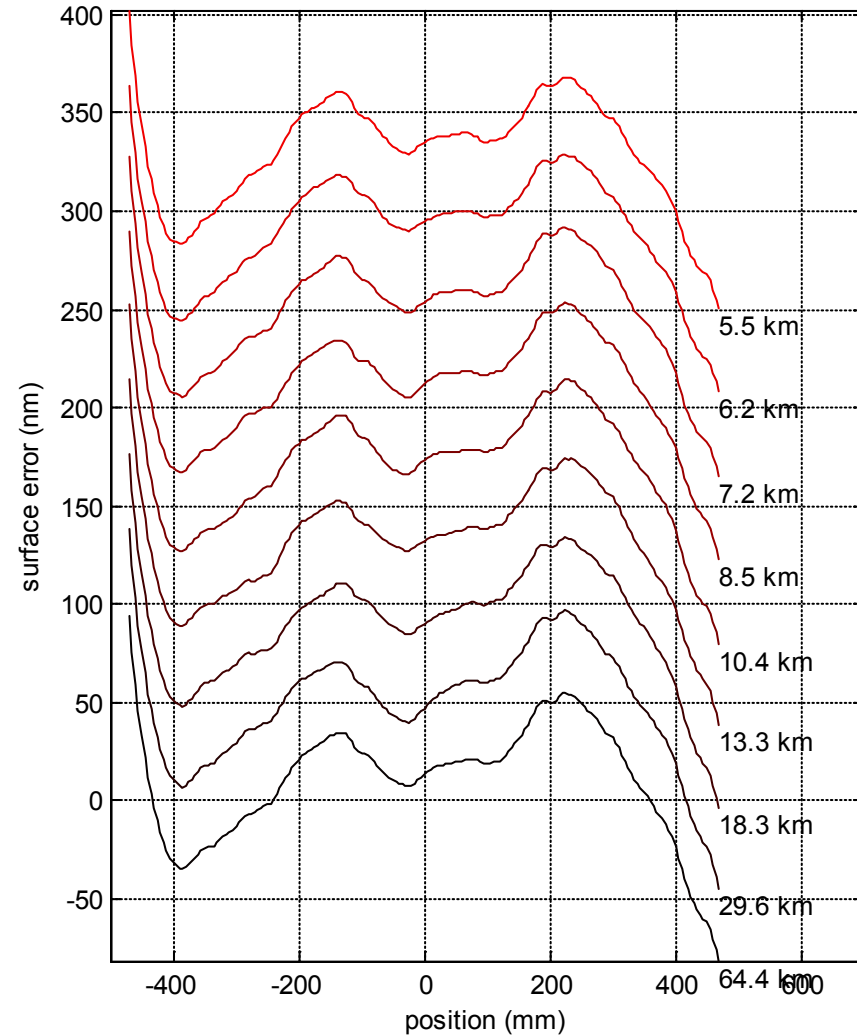
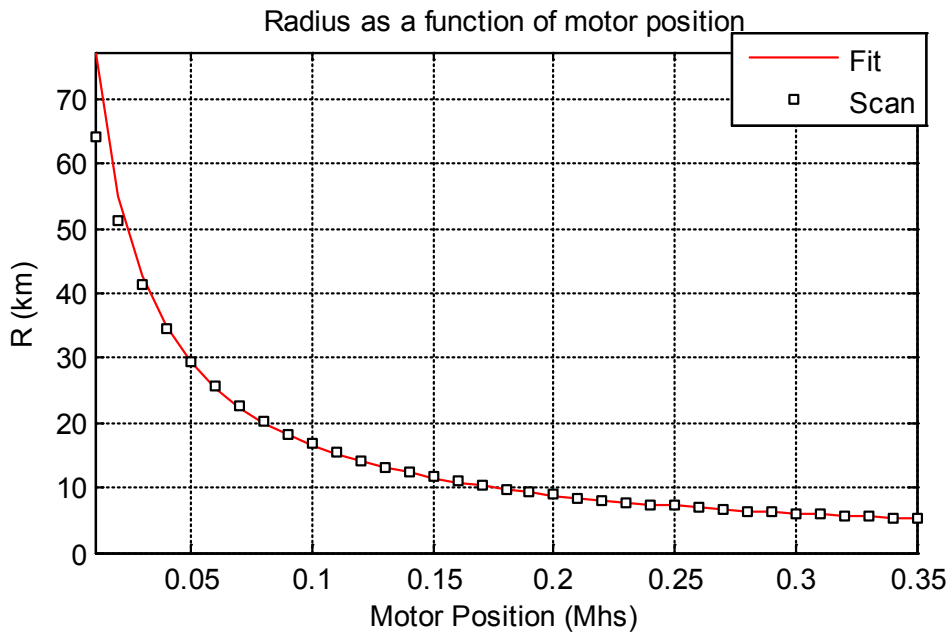
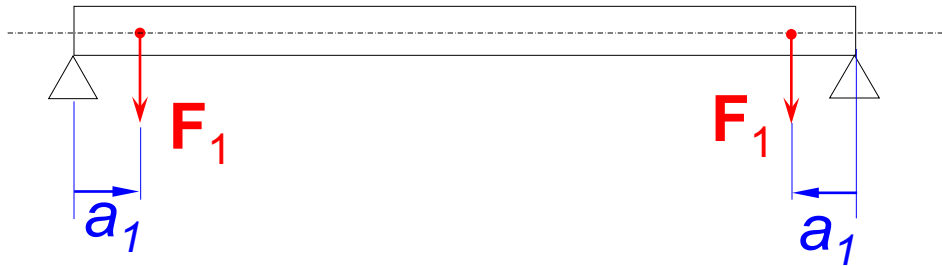
• **First mounting on holder 0.533 μ rad**

• **After correction of a support of one cooling tube: 0.190 μ rad**

Calibration of mirror benders



One-motor benders can bend mirrors to a cylindrical shape. Calibration consists in providing the Radius as a function of the motor position.

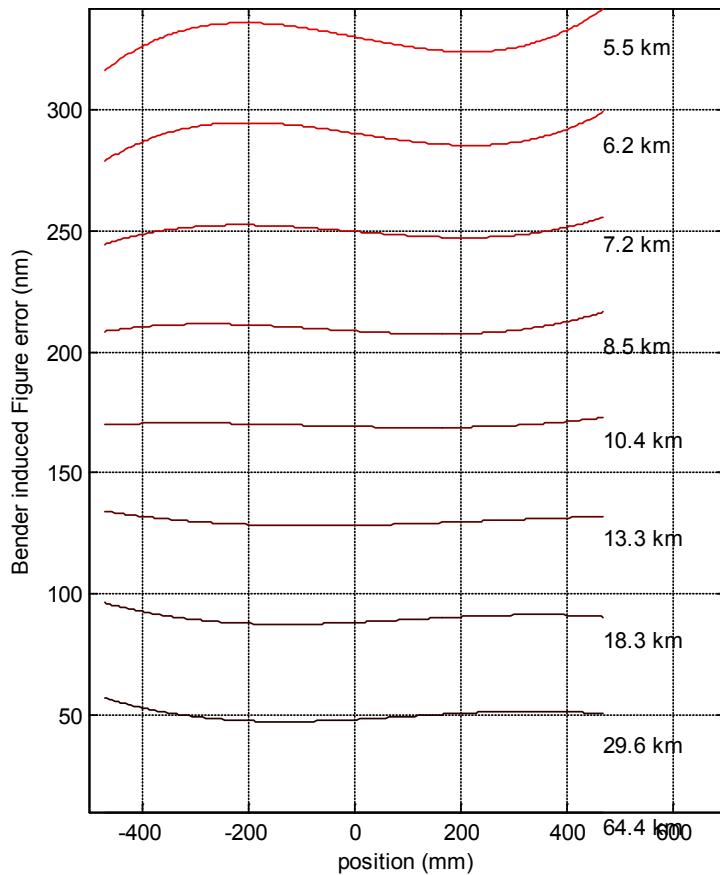


Slope error induced by bender

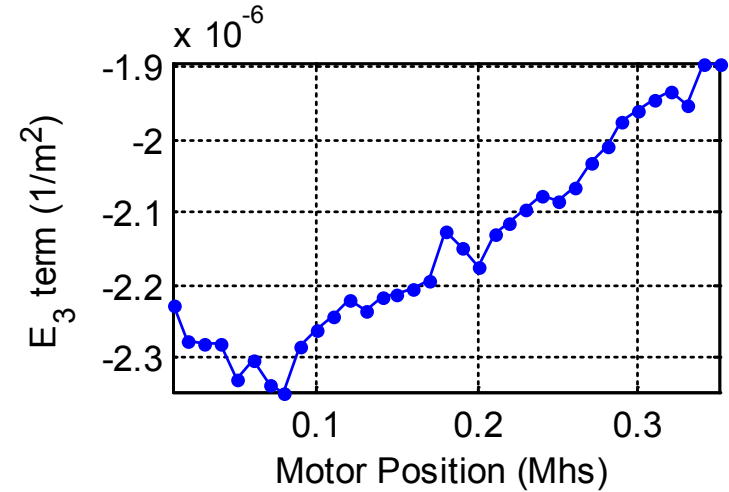


...when the bending moment is **not** equal at both ends.

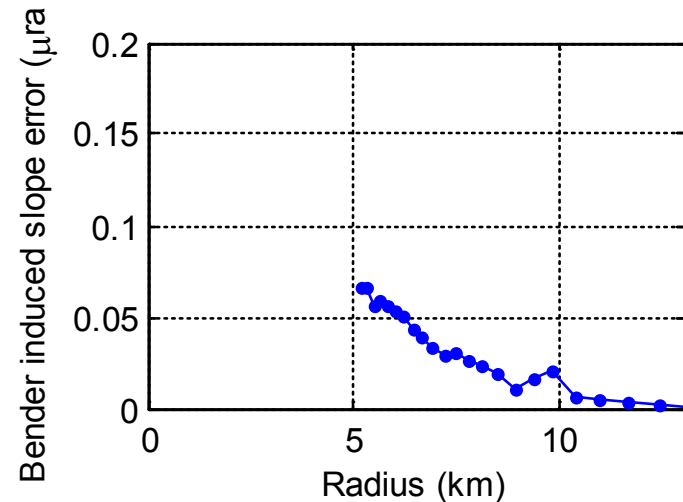
$$f(x) = \frac{a_2 F_2 - a_1 F_1}{6E \cdot I \cdot L} x^3$$



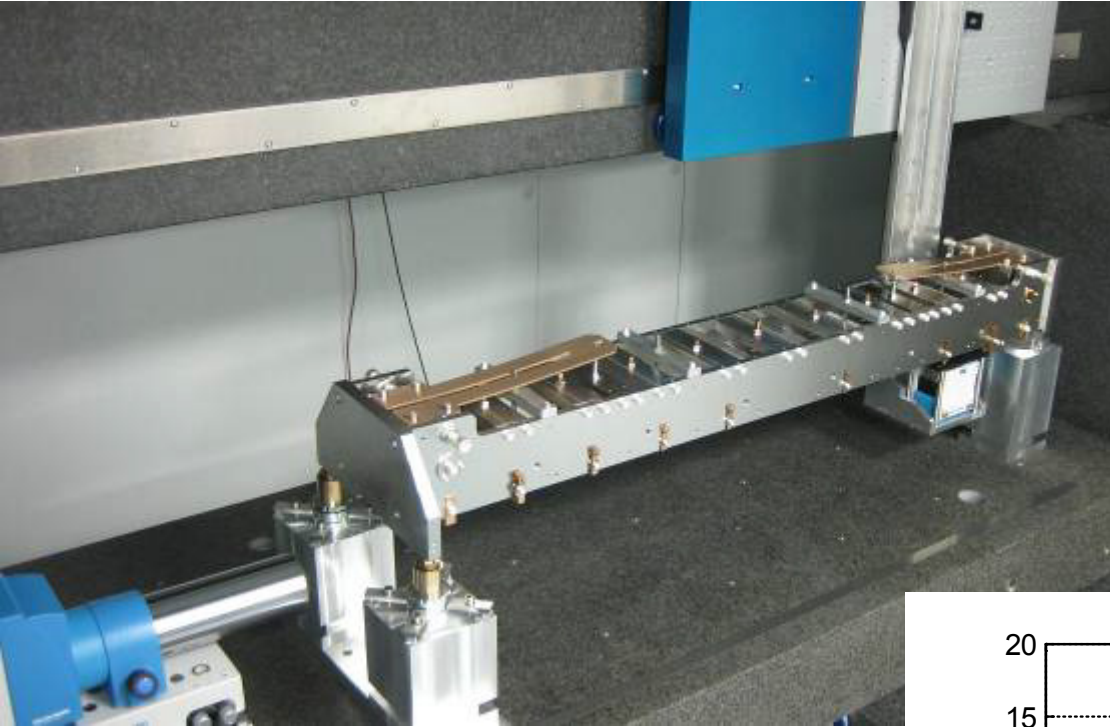
The cubic term should be constant



And contributes to the slope error



Spring actuators (by SESO)



Plano elliptic

Facing down

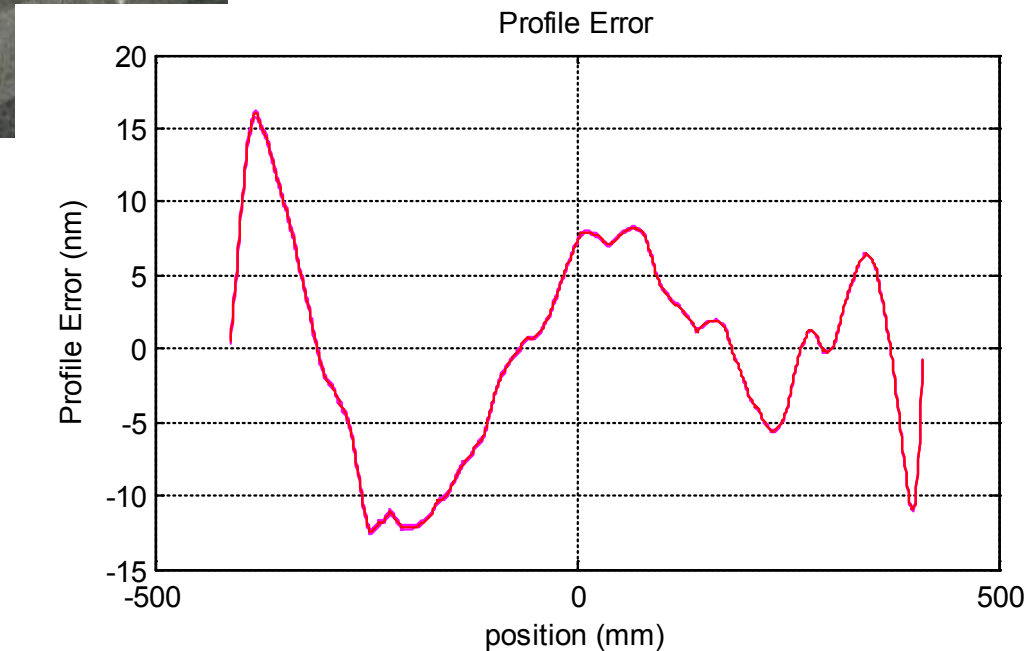
$R_0 = 129\text{ m}$

$L = 800\text{ mm}$ (6 mrad)

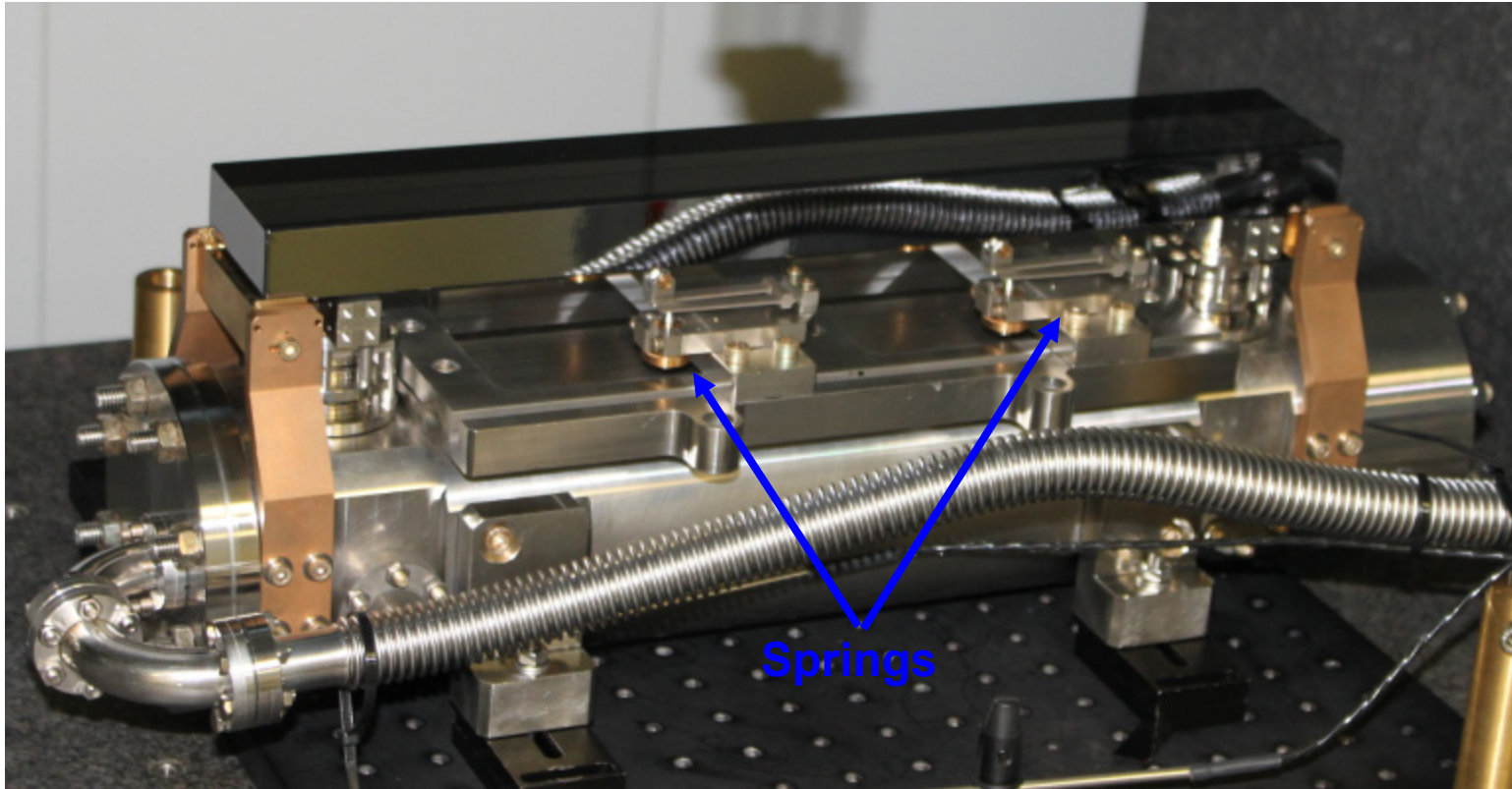
0.234 μrad RMS

The mirror figure was optimized by spring actuators.

Accuracy is required for convergence of the optimization process, on both the measurement and on the spring adjustment



Spring actuators (by Alba)



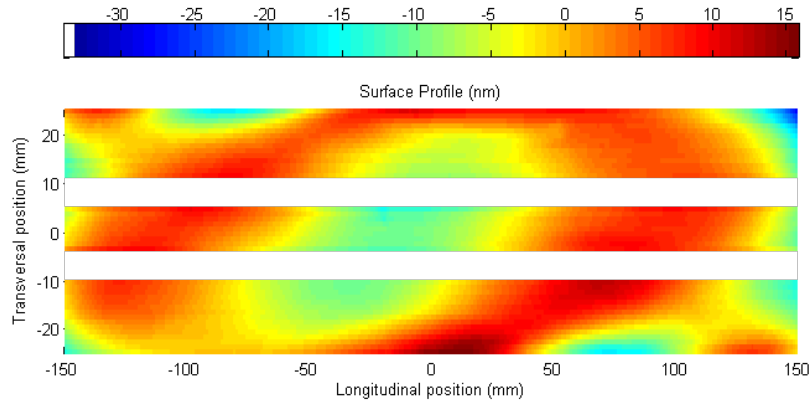
300 mm long mirror by InSync on an elliptical bender by Irelec.

Only 2 spring actuators, initially intended for gravity sag compensation were used to optimize the figure.

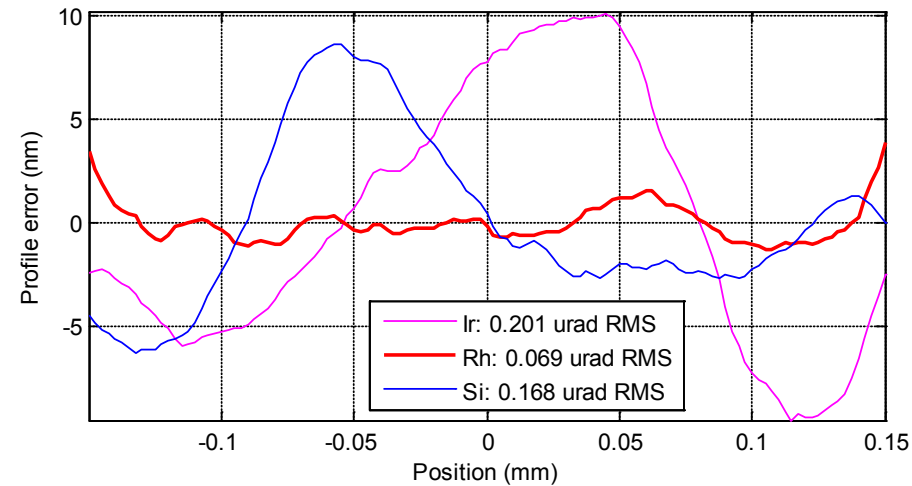
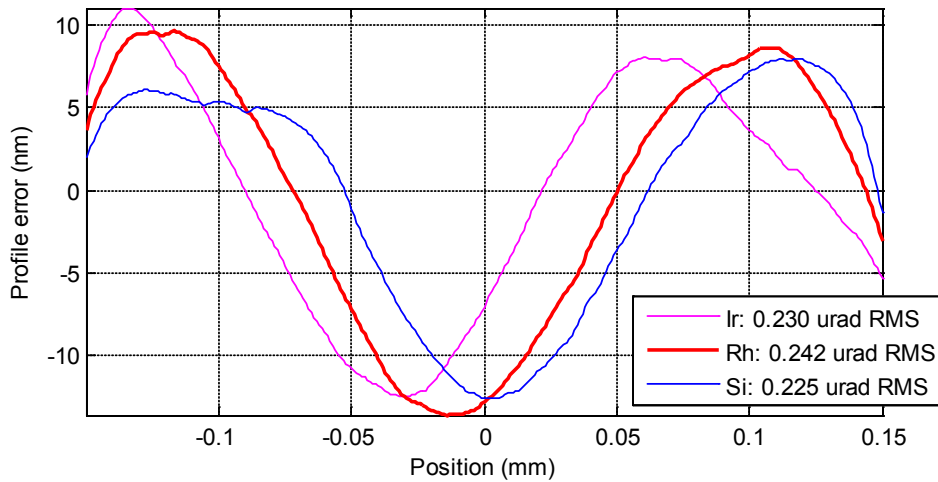
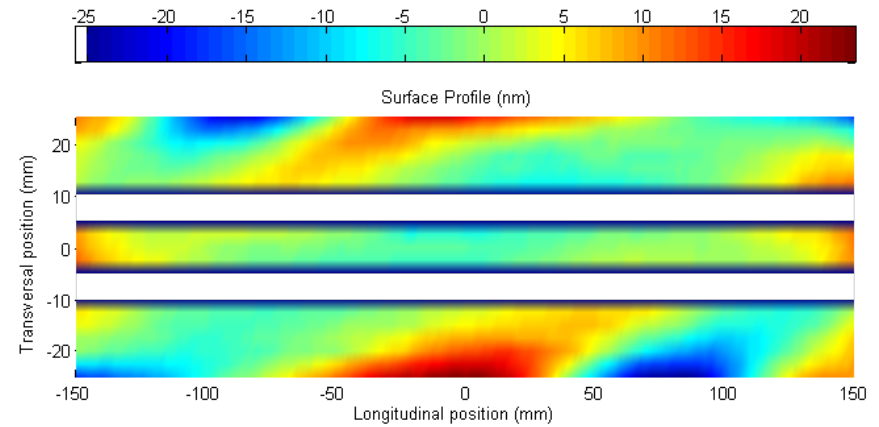
Spring actuators



Before optimization

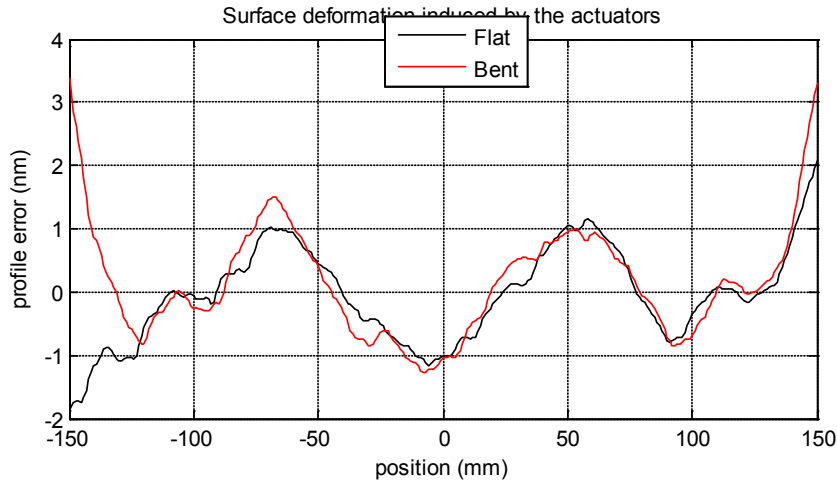


After optimization



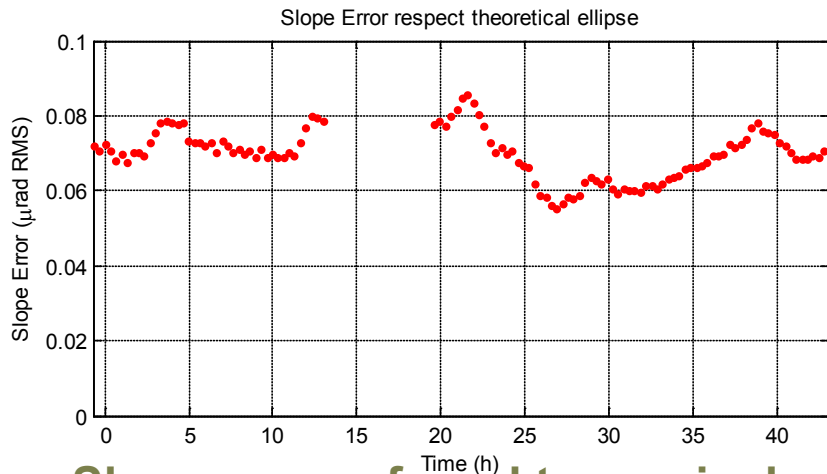
Center stripe improved from 0.242 μ rad RMS to 0.055 μ rad RMS with 2 actuators
Agreement between prediction and measurement is 0.18 nm RMS

Spring actuators

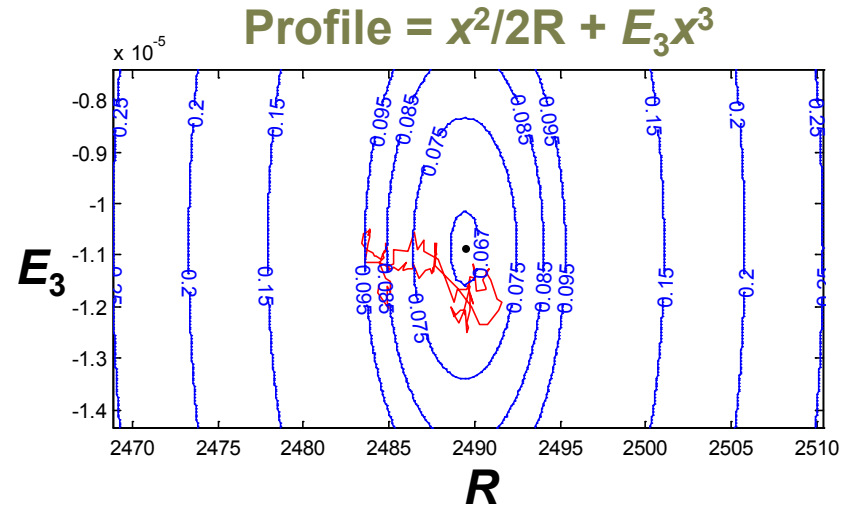


Excellent agreement between measurements done flat and bent. Except near the actuators

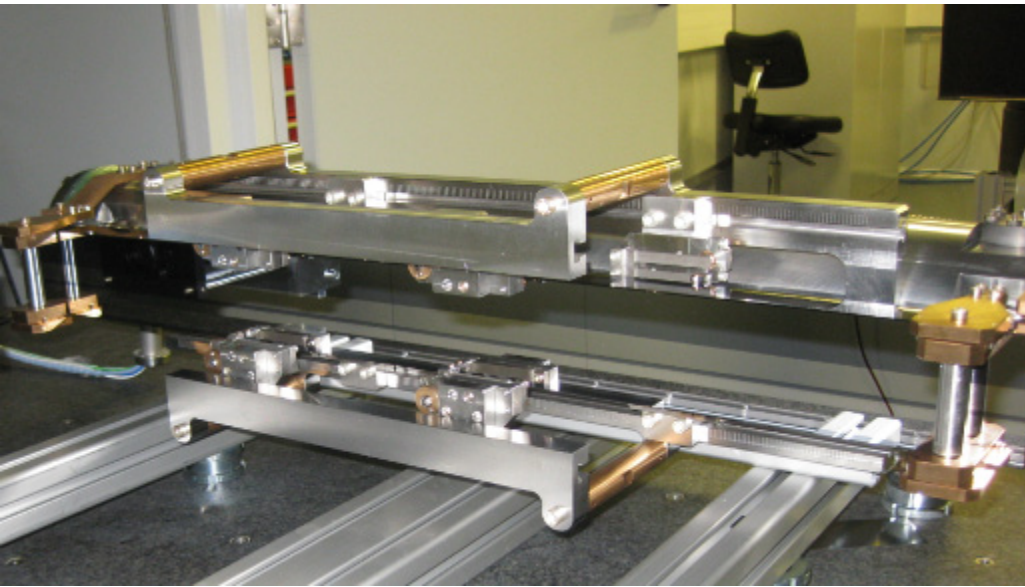
Drifts are correlated to thermal unstability, affecting mainly the measurement of curvature.



Slope error referred to nominal ellipse vs time

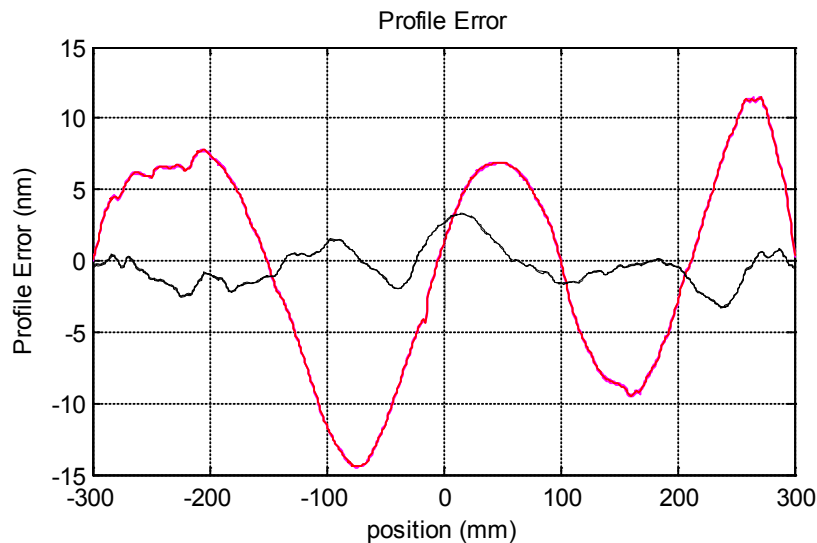


Spring actuators



A second mirror was optimized:

- 600 mm long mirror
- Horizontal deflection
- 4 spring actuators



- Initial error: **0.211 μ rad RMS**
- Final error: **0.083 μ rad RMS**
- Limited by the poor control of the applied force by the springs (designed for corrections in the order of 0.5 μ rad)

Summary

- The ALBA NOM is operating since January 2010
- Alba BL mirrors characterized, slope errors below $0.5 \mu\text{rad}$ are frequent.
- Measurements of mirrors at working orientation is feasible.
- Among others, the Alba NOM has been used to improve the figure error of mirrors with a reduced number of spring actuators.
- The correction is good to the order of 50 nrad RMS

But we still need to...

- Improve the temperature control of the lab.
- Replace some parts: pentaprism+iris.
- Improve alignment and accuracy tests.

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