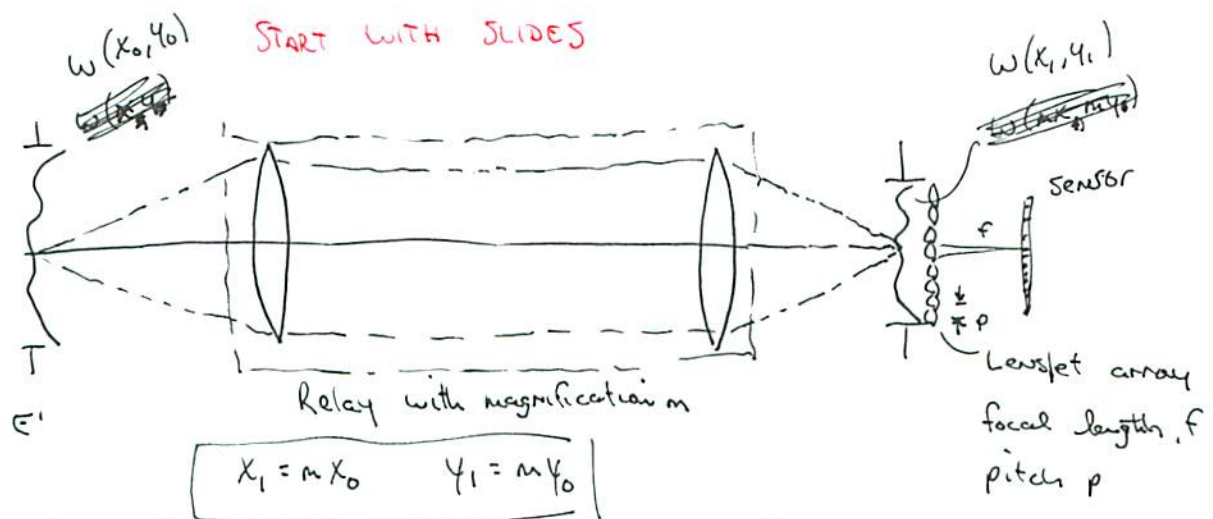
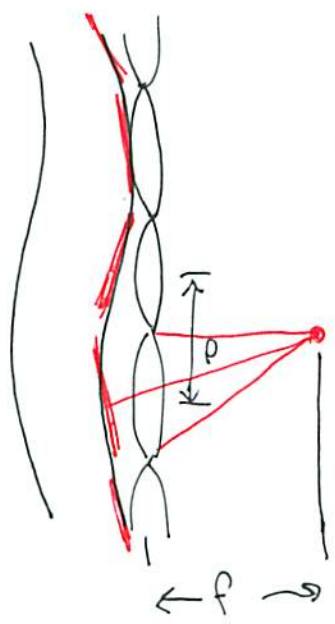


3.2.5 SHACK-HARTMANN SENSOR

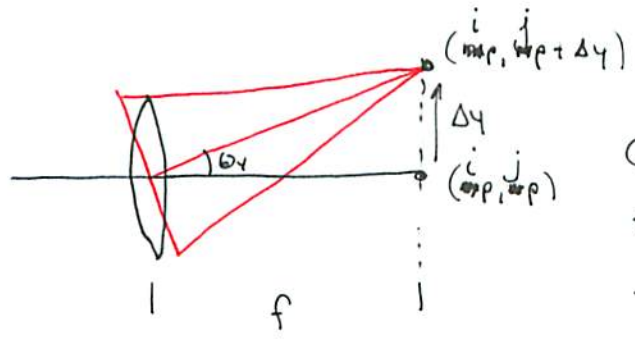


Wavefront from exit pupil is relayed to lenslet array. If relay has magnification m , then a wavefront error $w(x_0, y_0)$ gets projected onto the lenslet array as $w(x_1, y_1)$. This means the wavefront is compressed in the transverse direction, but the phase remains the same.



Assume that the wavefront is slowly varying over the aperture of a given lenslet. We can assume that the wavefront over a given lenslet is given by a tilted plane wave. The tilt is given by the local wavefront slope. A plane wave is focused to the rear focal plane of the lenslet. The focal spot, however, is displaced from the optical axis of the lenslet due to the tilt. By measuring

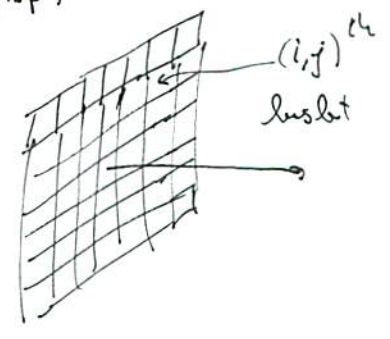
the spot displacements, the gradient (i.e. x and y derivatives) of the wavefront error can be obtained. In turn, the gradient can be numerically integrated to recover the wavefront error.



Consider the $(i, j)^{th}$ lenslet in the array. It is centered at a point (i_p, j_p)

$$\tan \Theta_y = \frac{\Delta y}{f}$$

but $\tan \Theta_y = -\frac{dw(i_p, j_p)}{dy}$



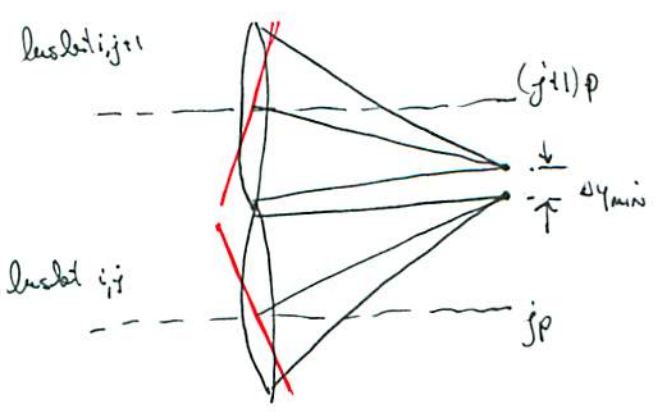
so $\Delta y_{ij} = -f \frac{dw}{dy}(i_p, j_p)$

Similarly $\Delta x_{ij} = -f \frac{dw}{dx}(i_p, j_p)$

Practically, we don't get perfect point but instead some finite size to the focal spot. In this case, the spot centroid is used. There is a maximum change in slope that can occur between two adjacent lenslets.

Dynamic Range
MAXIMUM SLOPE CHANGE BETWEEN LENSLETS

Spots can merge or cross over if slope change is too big between lenslets



Want $(j+1)p + \Delta y_{i,j+1} - [jp + \Delta y_{i,j}] \geq \Delta y_{min}$

where Δy_{min} is some minimum separation between adjacent spots

So,

$$p + \Delta y_{i,j+1} - \Delta y_{i,j} \geq \Delta y_{min}$$

$$p - f \frac{d\omega}{dy} (ip, (j+1)p) + f \frac{d\omega}{dy} (ip, jp) \geq \Delta y_{min}$$

$$\frac{d\omega}{dy_1} (ip, (j+1)p) - \frac{d\omega}{dy_1} (ip, jp) \leq \frac{p - \Delta y_{min}}{f}$$

MAXIMUM SLOPE CHANGE BETWEEN LENSLETS

$$\frac{\frac{d\omega}{dy_1} (ip, (j+1)p) - \frac{d\omega}{dy_1} (ip, jp)}{p} \approx \frac{d^2\omega}{dy_1^2} (ip, jp) \leq \frac{p - \Delta y_{min}}{pf}$$

MAXIMUM WAVEFRONT CURVATURE

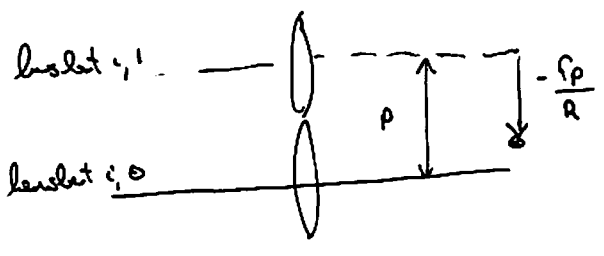
Simple Example w 1-D

$$w = \frac{y_1^2}{2R} \Rightarrow \frac{d\omega}{dy_1} = \frac{y_1}{R} \Rightarrow \frac{d^2\omega}{dy_1^2} = \frac{1}{R}$$

Suppose $\Delta y_{min} = 0$

$$\Delta y_{i,0} = 0$$

$$\Delta y_{i,1} = -\frac{fp}{R}$$



Maximum Slope Change Says

$$\frac{p}{R} - 0 \leq \frac{p}{f} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{R} \leq \frac{1}{f} \Rightarrow R \geq f$$

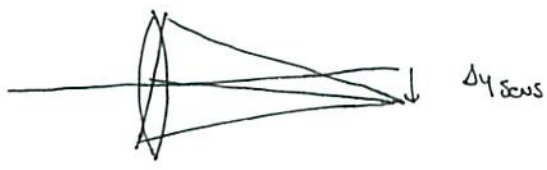
means $\Delta y_{i,1} \leq p$

MAXIMUM WAVEFRONT CURVATURE Says

$$\frac{1}{R} \leq \frac{1}{f} \text{ same thing}$$

Practically, Δy_{min} will be limited by the pixel size on the detector or the size of the focal spot (like Rayleigh criterion how close can these spots get and still be resolved?)

Sensitivity - what's the smallest absolute slope that can be measured?



$$\Delta y_{sens} = -f \frac{dw_{min}}{dy_1}$$

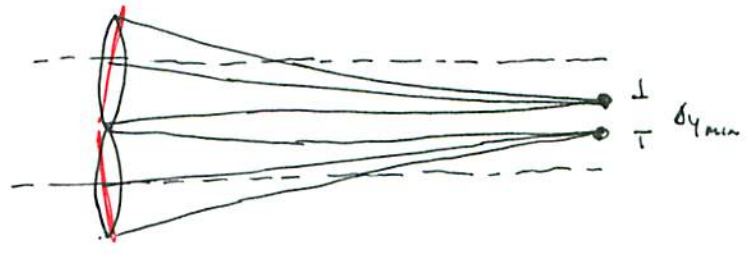
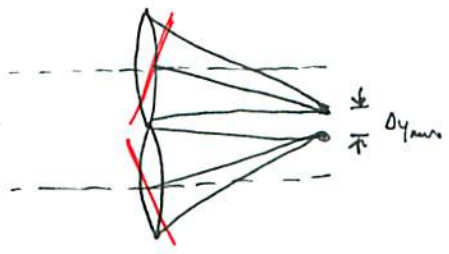
$$\left| \frac{dw_{min}}{dy} \right| = \frac{\Delta y_{sens}}{f}$$

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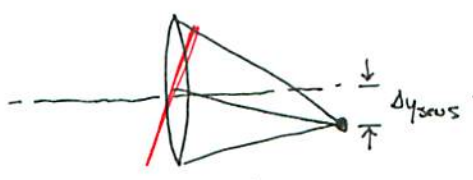
SHORT FOCAL LENGTH

LONG FOCAL LENGTH

DYNAMIC RANGE



SENSITIVITY



sensitivity ↓
dynamic range ↑

sensitivity ↑
dynamic range ↓

Effect of Relay System

$$w(x_0, y_0) = w(x_1, y_1) \quad \text{where} \quad x_1 = mx_0; \quad y_1 = my_0 \quad m = \text{relay magnification}$$

$$\frac{dx_1}{dx_0} = m; \quad \frac{dy_1}{dy_0} = m$$

chain rule

$$\frac{dw}{dx_0} = \frac{dw}{dx_1} \frac{dx_1}{dx_0} \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{dw}{dx_1} = \frac{1}{m} \frac{dw}{dx_0}$$

$$\frac{dw}{dy_1} = \frac{1}{m} \frac{dw}{dy_0}$$

Slope at lenslet

slope at E'

For $m < 1$, slope is steeper at lenslet away than at E'
Dynamic Range ↓

SPAT PATTERN

$$\text{cyl} \left(\frac{r_i}{mD_{eff}} \right) \sum_{ij} \delta \left(x_i - \left(1 - \frac{d\omega_{020}}{m^2} f \right) i\rho - \bar{x}, y_i - \left(1 - \frac{d\omega_{020}}{m^2} f \right) j\rho - \bar{y} \right)$$

$\left[1 - \frac{2\omega_{020}}{m^2} f \right] \rho$ Uniformly spaced grid
 when $\omega_{020} = 0$ spots ~~fast~~ separation = ρ
 when $\omega_{020} > 0$ spots uniform but compress
 when $\omega_{020} < 0$ spots uniform but expand

3.2.5.1 Fitting Shack-Hartmann Data to Zernike Polynomials

STEPS TO MEASURING A WAVEFRONT WITH A SHACK HARTMANN SYSTEM

① Calibrate system with a perfect plane wave

This gives a set of spots for the case where $w(x_i, y_i) = 0$
 Only need to do this once

② Measure the test system

This gives a set of spots that are displaced by the aberrations of the system

③ Measure the distance between the ideal and aberrated spots to get

$$\{ \Delta x_{ij}, \Delta y_{ij} \}_{ij}$$

④ Convert ~~this~~ this set to $\left\{ \frac{dw}{dx_i} \Big|_{(i\rho, j\rho)}, \frac{dw}{dy_j} \Big|_{(i\rho, j\rho)} \right\}_{ij}$ with eqs. from pg. **129**

Want to integrate these slopes to get $w(x_i, y_i)$ back

One way to do this is to fit to Zernike polynomials

Before we did $w(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = \sum a_{nm} Z_n^m(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$

$$\frac{dw(\bar{x}, \bar{y})}{d\bar{x}} = \sum a_{nm} \frac{dZ_n^m(\bar{x}, \bar{y})}{d\bar{x}} \quad \frac{dw(\bar{x}, \bar{y})}{d\bar{y}} = \sum a_{nm} \frac{dZ_n^m(\bar{x}, \bar{y})}{d\bar{y}}$$