



InfraBREAD: Characterization of Optically Smooth Reflector Parts

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Background

Dark Matter Mass Spectrum, Axions, and Dark Photons

The Dark Matter Mass Spectrum



Photo Credit: Shigeki Matsumoto



Axions vs. Dark Photons

- Axions
 - Goal is to cover space between DFSZ and KSVZ lines.
 - Axions in that space solve the problem of CP violation.



- Dark Photons
 - Couple to SM particles through kinetic mixing with photon.
 - Massless to massive models are in existence.



BREAD (Broadband Reflector Experiment for Axion Detection)



Photo Credit: <u>BREAD Collaboration</u>

- Dish Antenna
 - Spontaneous interactions will convert DM to photons.
 - Reflectors focus photons onto an SNSPD.
- External magnetic field needed for axion detection.
- InfraBREAD
 - Optically smooth inner reflector, inner cylinders.
 - Probes 20-200 THz frequency range.







The Optics Setup

Reflectors, Lasers, Cameras, etc.

The Diamond-Turned Upper Reflector



Upper reflector half on the rotating table. Part is centered to the table through the central bore.

- Fabricated by Xometry.
 - Underwent diamond-turning process at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory.
 - Part of a two-part design, where it will fit into a lower reflector half.



The GigaBREAD Reflector



GigaBREAD reflector on the rotating table. Centered through central bore.

- Fabricated by WPAWorks.
 - Made in one full-sized piece compared to previous.
 - Part will not undergo diamond turning process.



Optical Bench Setup



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Measurements and Results

Focal Point, Total Integrated Scatter, and Surface Wave Characteristics

Focal Point

- Ruler used to measure the focal distance, focal height of reflected beam.
 - Goal: Constrain distance measurement uncertainty to below 500 microns, height uncertainty to ~10's of microns.

GigaBREAD Reflector Focal Point Results

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TAKEN WITHOUT USE OF THE CAMERA

InfraBREAD Reflector Focal Point Results

- The rows are translated to a focal height by the previous measurement standard.
- The screen can be moved in .635 mm increments.
- Focal distance = 388.50 +/- .78 mm , Focal Height = 369.05 +/- .04 mm

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Total Integrated Scatter/Reflector Surface Roughness

- Total integrated scatter (TIS) = diffuse reflection/ (specular reflection + diffuse).
 - Diffuse intensity is obtained through removing the specular intensity from high exposure photos.

Results for the GigaBREAD Reflector

- TIS is directly proportional to the surface roughness of the reflector.
 - Related by the formula: $TIS \equiv \frac{P_s}{P_0 + P_s} = 1 \exp\left[-\left(\frac{4\pi\sigma\cos\theta_i}{\lambda}\right)^2\right] \simeq \frac{P_s}{P_0} \simeq \left(\frac{4\pi\sigma\cos\theta_i}{\lambda}\right)^2$

Surface Roughness of the GigaBREAD Reflector

InfraBREAD Reflector Results

- Average roughness ~25 nm.
 - Matches what was expected from diamond-turning process at LLNL.
 - Across the same height machining is consistent, further tests could be run at different heights.

Why?

Dark Photon Sensitivity for InfraBREAD

A zoomed in image of the phase space diagram. The top line in blue describes the current setup with a one square meter dish, .05 detection efficiency, and a Dark Count Rate ~ 10^-3 Hz. The other BREAD lines are at the optimal design setup (ie. 10 square meter dish, .5 detection efficiency, and DCR ~ 10^-4 Hz.

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