

Study of thermal distortions in the Advanced LIGO mode cleaner using Melody

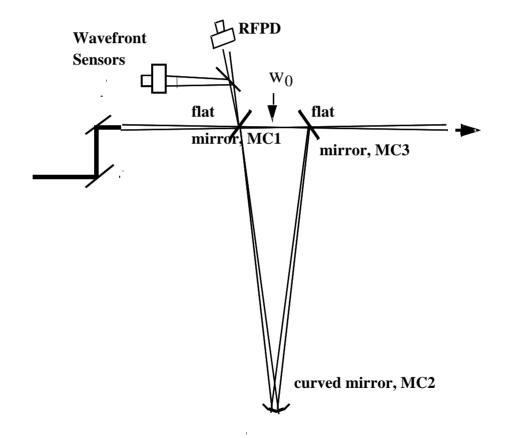
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Mode Cleaner



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- MCellipticalcurvmm_release_2 July 29, 2004
- by Amber Lynn Bullington (Stanford University) and Ray Beausoleil (HP Laboratories)
- http://www.stanford.edu/~abull/



Melody includes:

- Thermal focusing
- Surface deformation

in coatings and substrates

New features:

- Elliptical beam represented
- Curvature mismatch operators for beam splitters



• Crash test dummy

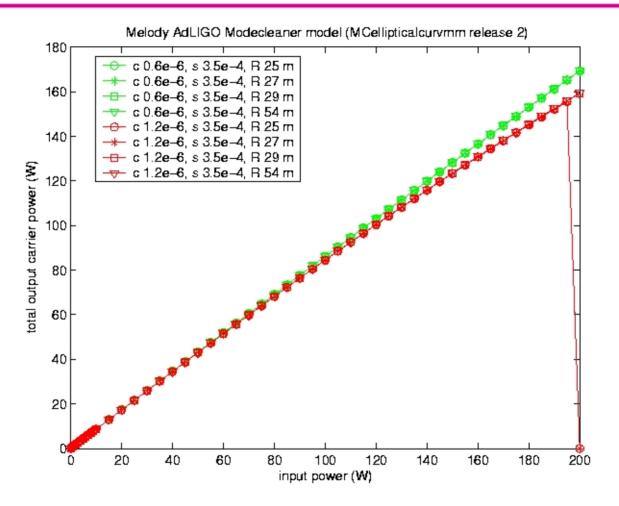


- UF group needs realistic model for design
- Upper limits of coating and substrate absorption coefficients
- Run the code, see what comes out...
- Still some issues with Melody's pseudo-locker and more, under discussion...



- Geometries as in the AdvLIGO IOO design document
- Fused silica
- Modulation index 0.47 (resonant), 0.10 (mode locking)

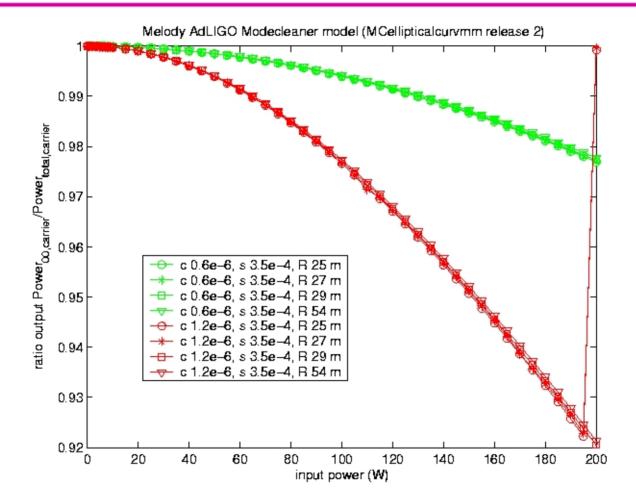
Output (I)



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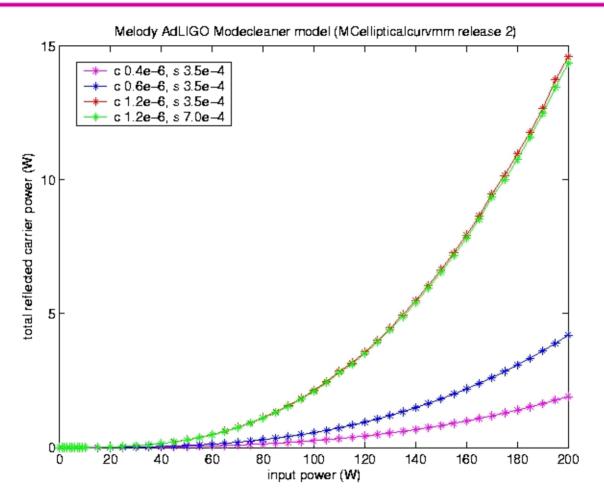
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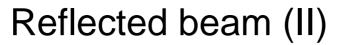
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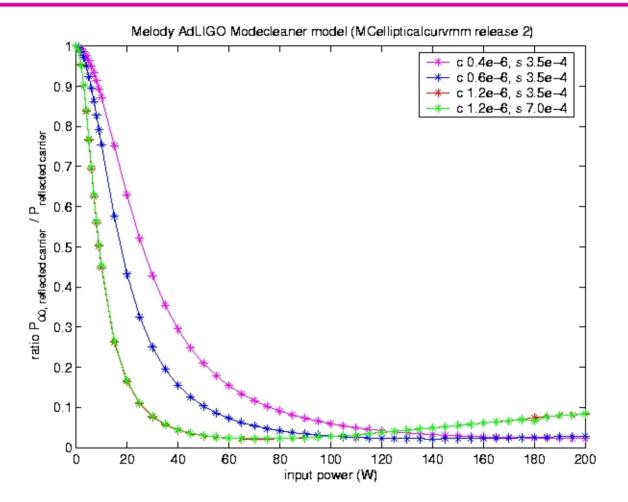
Reflected beam (I)



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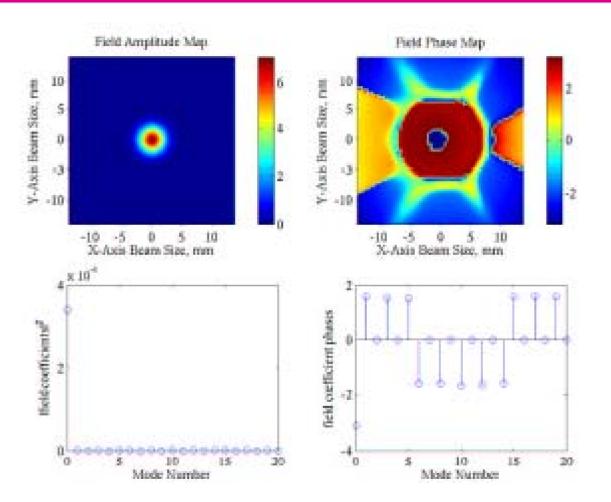




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Reflected beam (III)

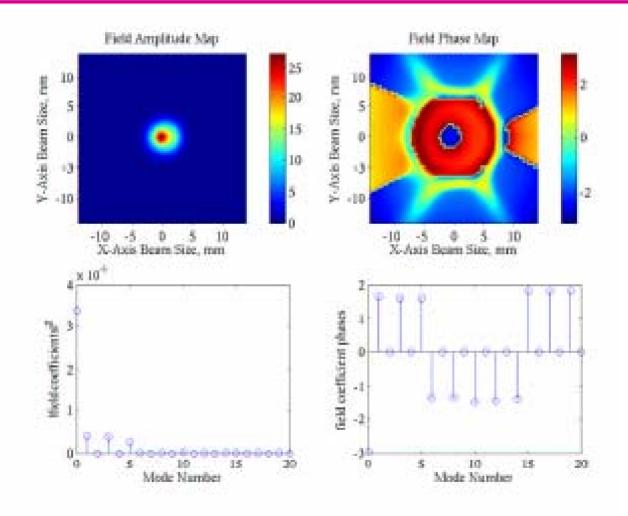


3 W into mode cleaner, coating abs. 0.6 ppm

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Reflected beam (IV)

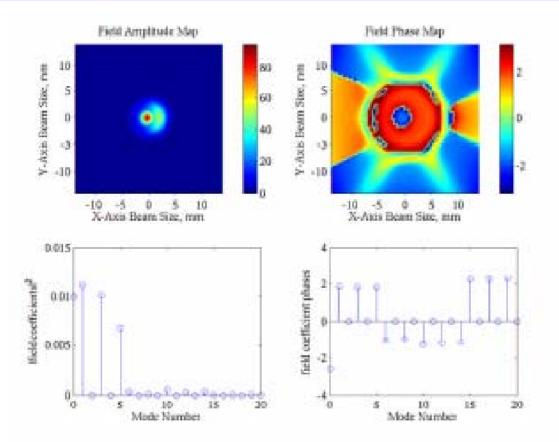


10 W into mode cleaner, coating abs. 0.6 ppm

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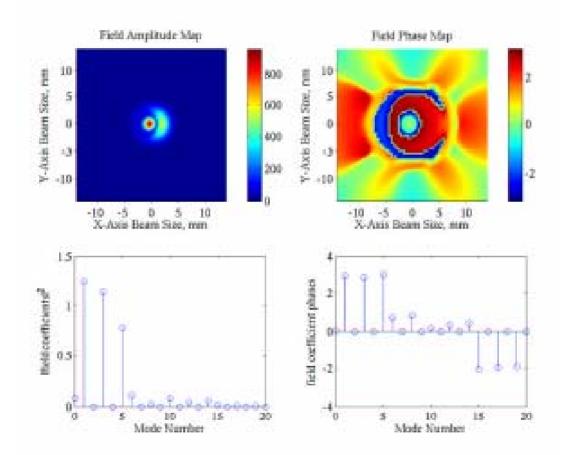
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Reflected beam (V)



30 W into mode cleaner, coating abs. 0.6 ppm Problem with angular control (WFS)? LSC August 2005 13

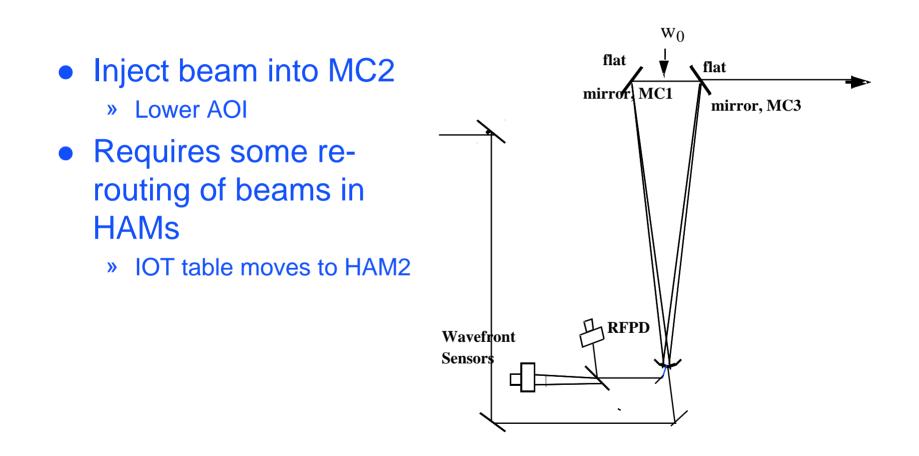
Reflected beam (VI)



150 W into mode cleaner, coating abs. 0.6 ppm LSC August 2005 14

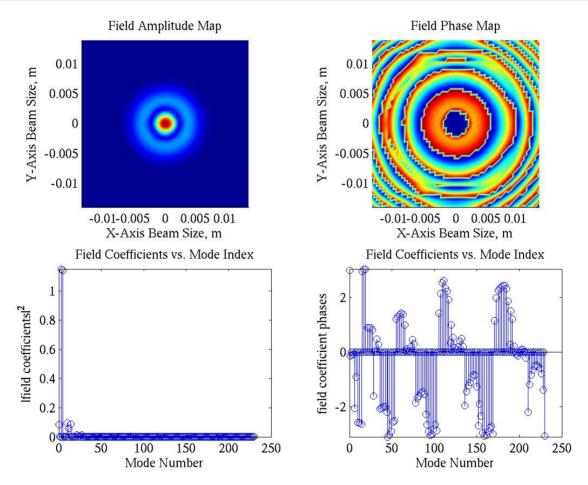
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Alternate MC geometry



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Reflected beam (VII)



150 W into mode cleaner, coating abs. 0.6 ppm Injected trough the curved mirror LSC August 2005 16

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- Asymmetry in reflected beam at high power caused by passing through region off-center of non-spherical thermal lens...
- Is this a problem?
- Could be avoided by injecting beam through curved mirror instead of one of the flats
- Please verify by other code
- Should start to see effects above 10 W. That is soon!



- Substrate absorption not so critical
- Even at 0.6 ppm coating absorption the higher order mode contamination will be more than 1%. OK?
- Reflected beam will be terrible. OK? Consider alternative injection scheme.
- Melody issues need to be resolved (pseudo-locker and more). Need volunteers.