



# A test bench to characterize holographic gratings for AuxTel at LPNHE

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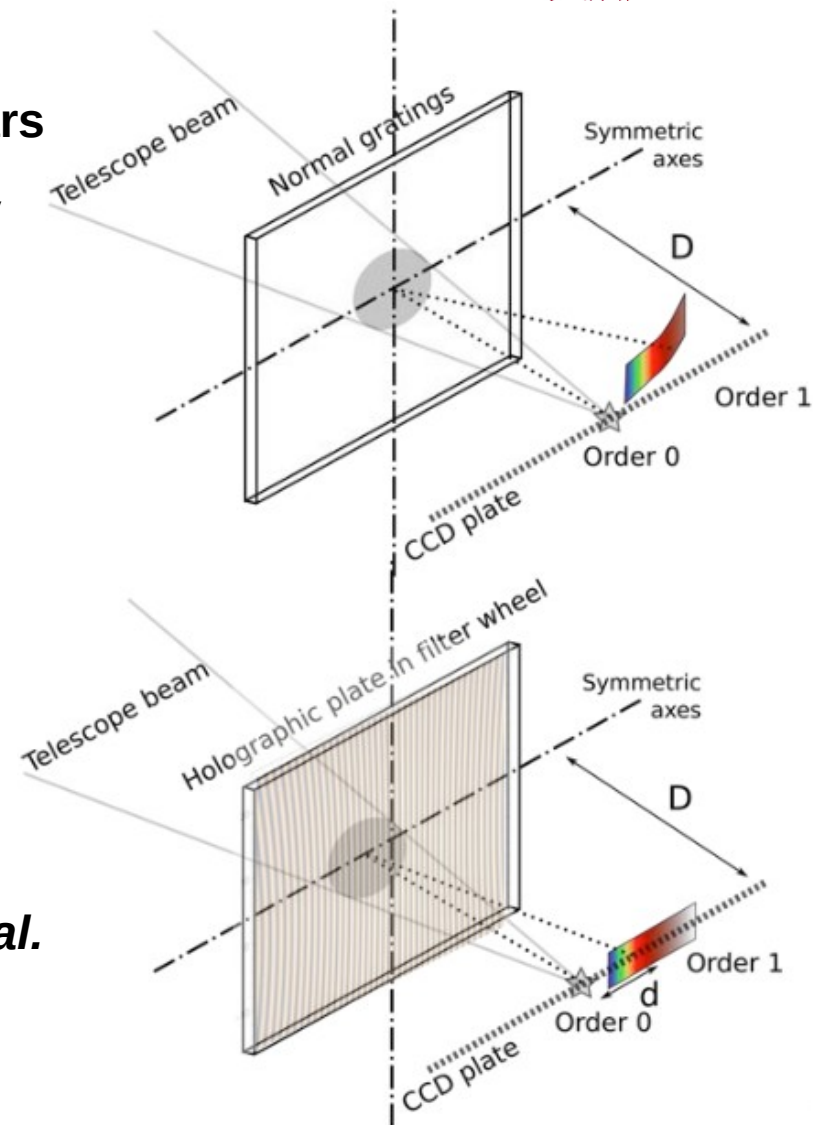
# Talk outline



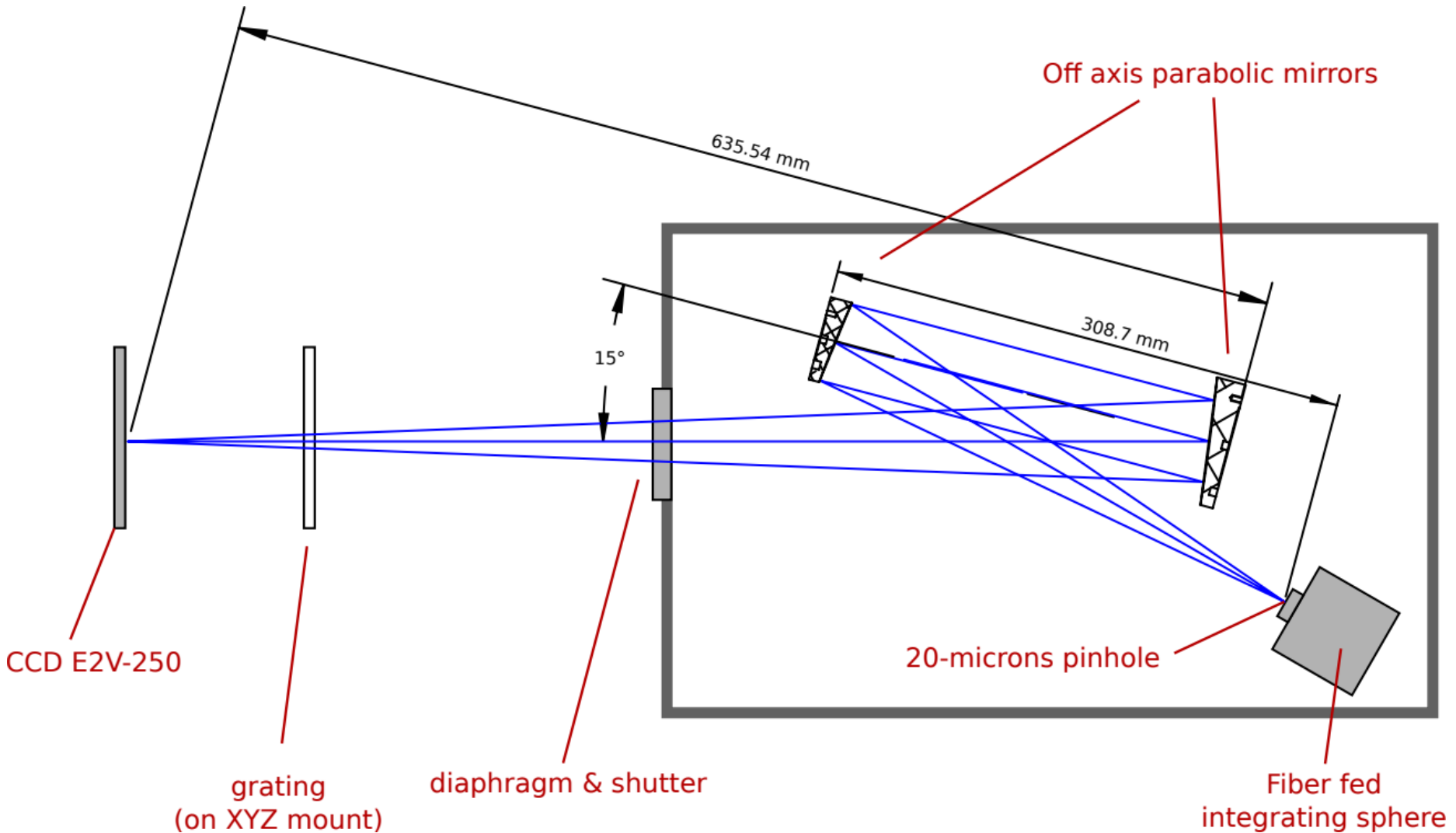
- **Context : Holographic gratings for AuxTel (HOE)**
- **Optical setup :  $\lambda$ -tunable convergent beam**
- **Integration within the LPNHE testbench for LSST CCD**
- **Focusing tests : Thorlabs grating vs holograms**
- **Measuring throughput / diffraction efficiency for each grating**
- **Conclusions & perspectives**

# Holographic gratings for AuxTel

- **Goal** : measure **atmospheric absorption** by extracting **slit-less spectra** of **standard stars**
- Fast switching between imaging / spectroscopy modes
- Optical element **parallel to the CCD plane** to be put in one slot of the **gratings wheel**
- **Standard gratings** :
  - **Defocus** with the **diffraction angle**
  - Not designed for a **convergent beam**
- Proposal : a tailored **Holographic Grating**
  - **All wavelengths are focused (1st order)**
  - Limited distortions
- **Prototypes tested at CTIO** par M. Moniez *et al.*
- Needed : a **testbench** to **characterize the produced holograms**



# Convergent beam : optical setup

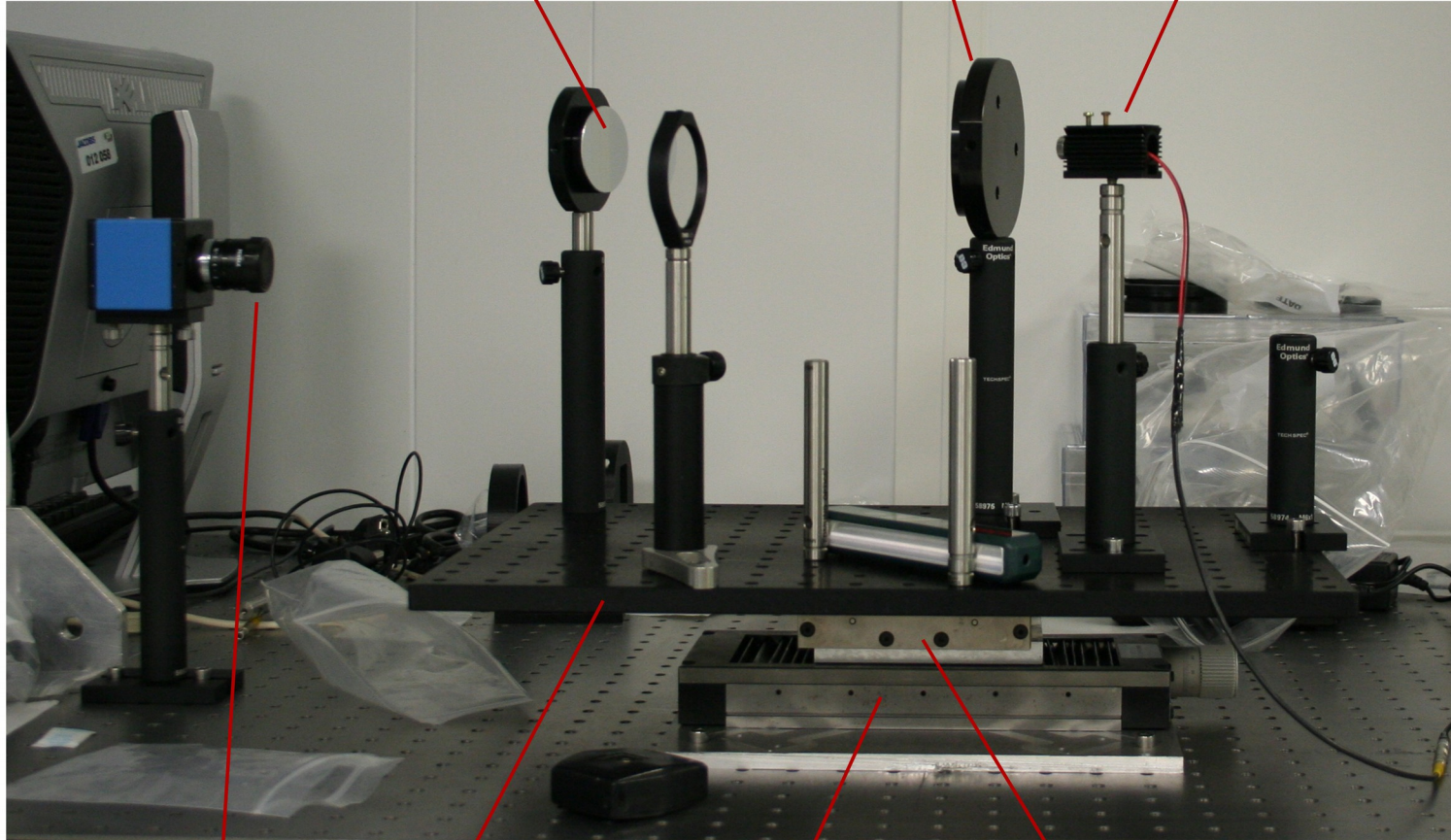


# Convergent beam : optical setup

Off Axis parabolic mirror  
 $f = 304.8$  mm

Off Axis parabolic mirror  
 $f = 635$  mm

Source position  
(here a laser for alignment)



Small CCD camera

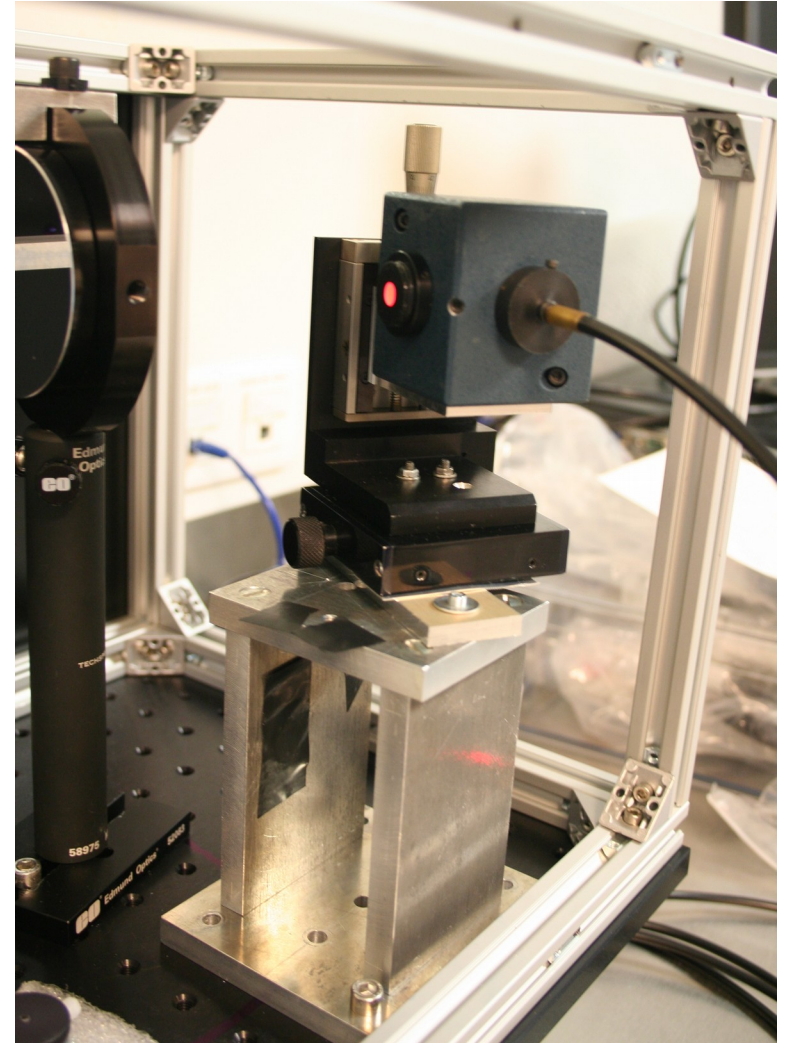
Optical table

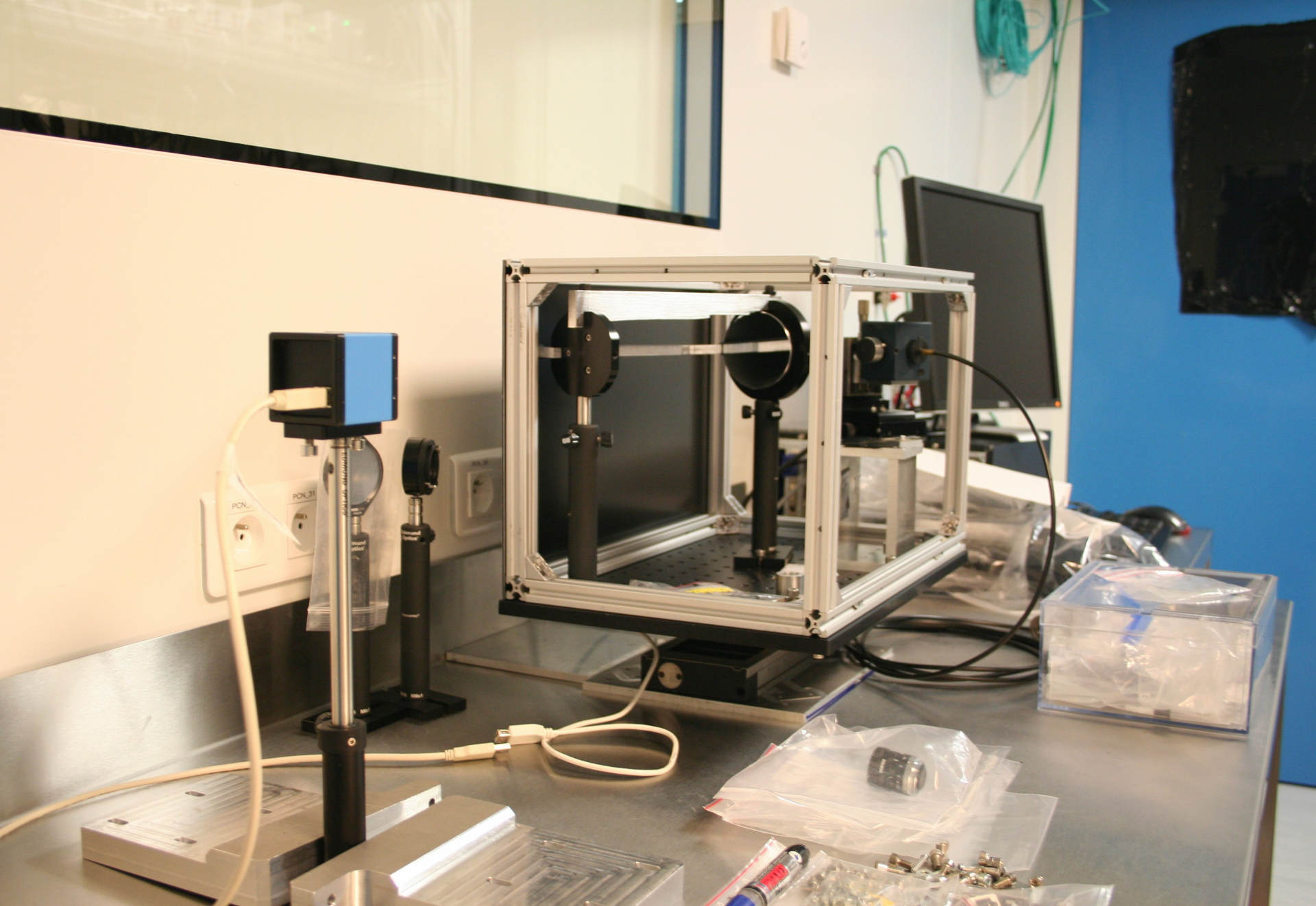
Linear stage along  
the optical axis  
(focus)

Horizontal linear  
stage perpendicular  
to the optical axis

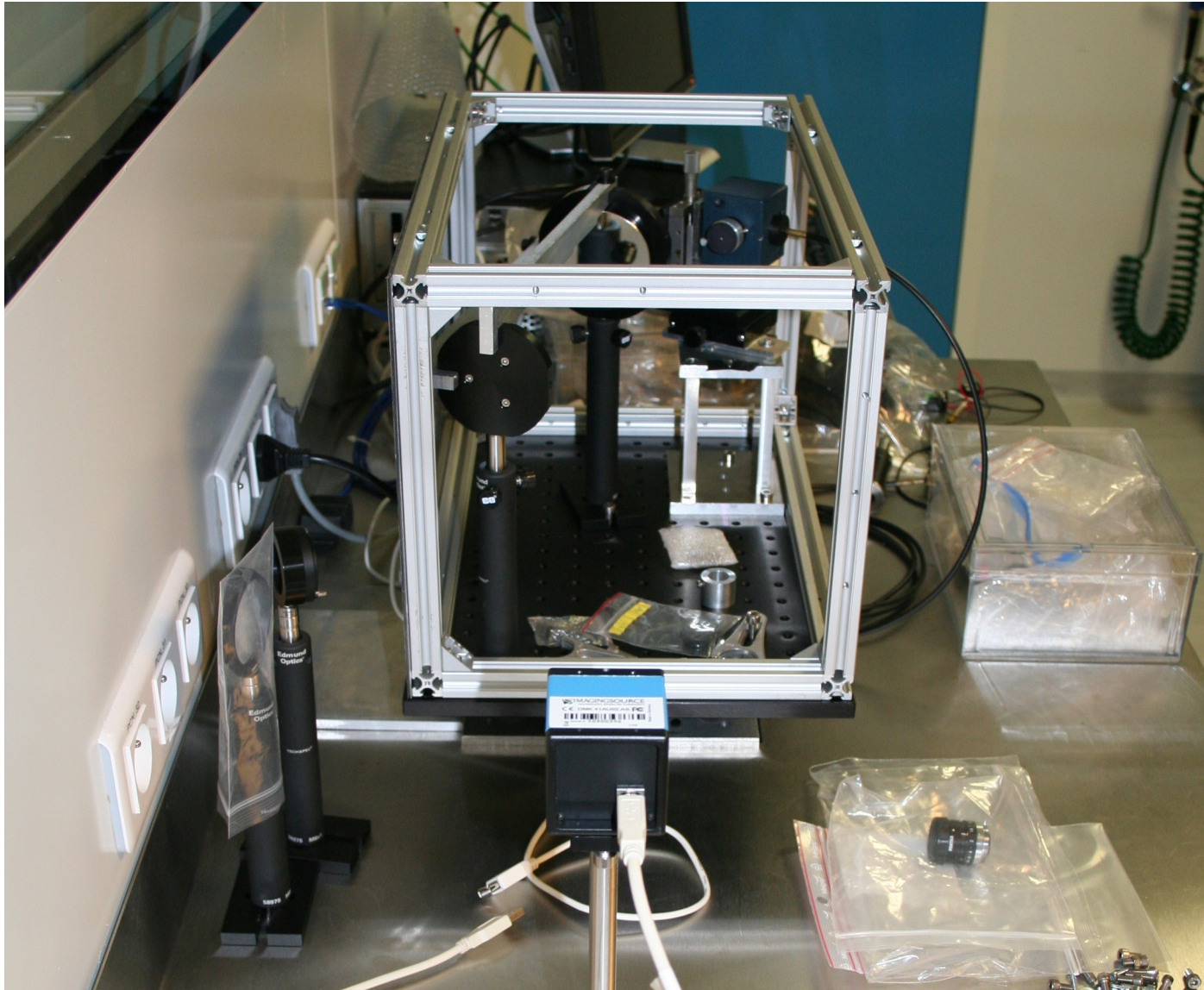
# Convergent beam : optical setup

- Source : **integrating sphere**
- **Fiber fed :**
  - Lamps : incandescent, LEDs, HgAr
  - Continuum (QTH) + monochromator
- Exit = mirror focal point :
  - **pinhole** (20 microns)
  - expected image 40 microns



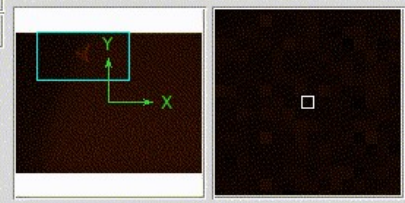


# Focusing





Fichier	holo-seq-014-20mu-000474.fits	
Objet		
Value	38	
WCS	x	y
Physique	X 307.500	Y 877.000
Image	X 307.500	Y 877.000
Fenêtre 1	x 2.000	0.000 °



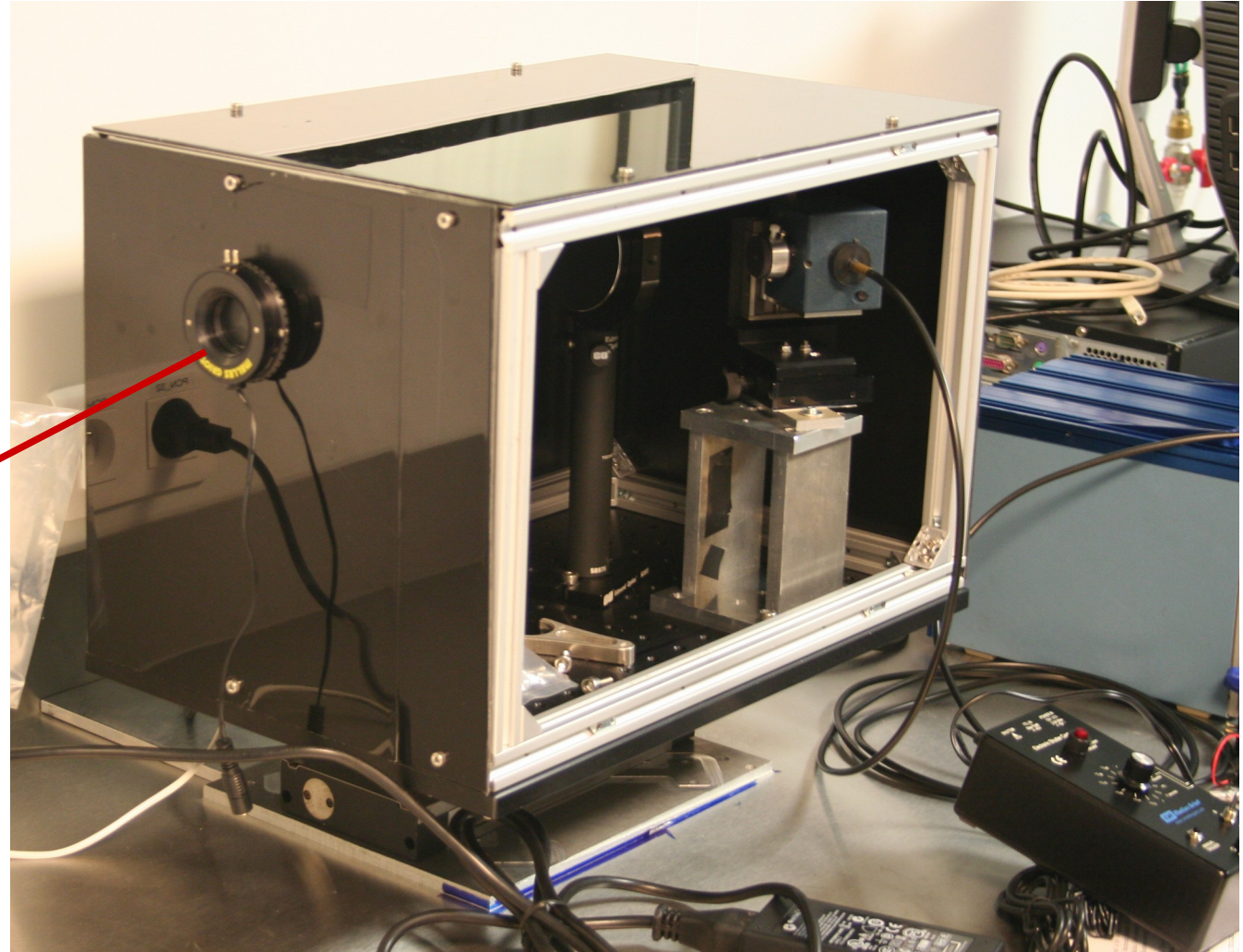
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LSST AuxTel  
 Hologram tests  
 Hole 20 microns  
 Light injection setup (focus)  
 moving 3 turns/step  
 (L. Le Guillou, 2018-02-23, 19h)

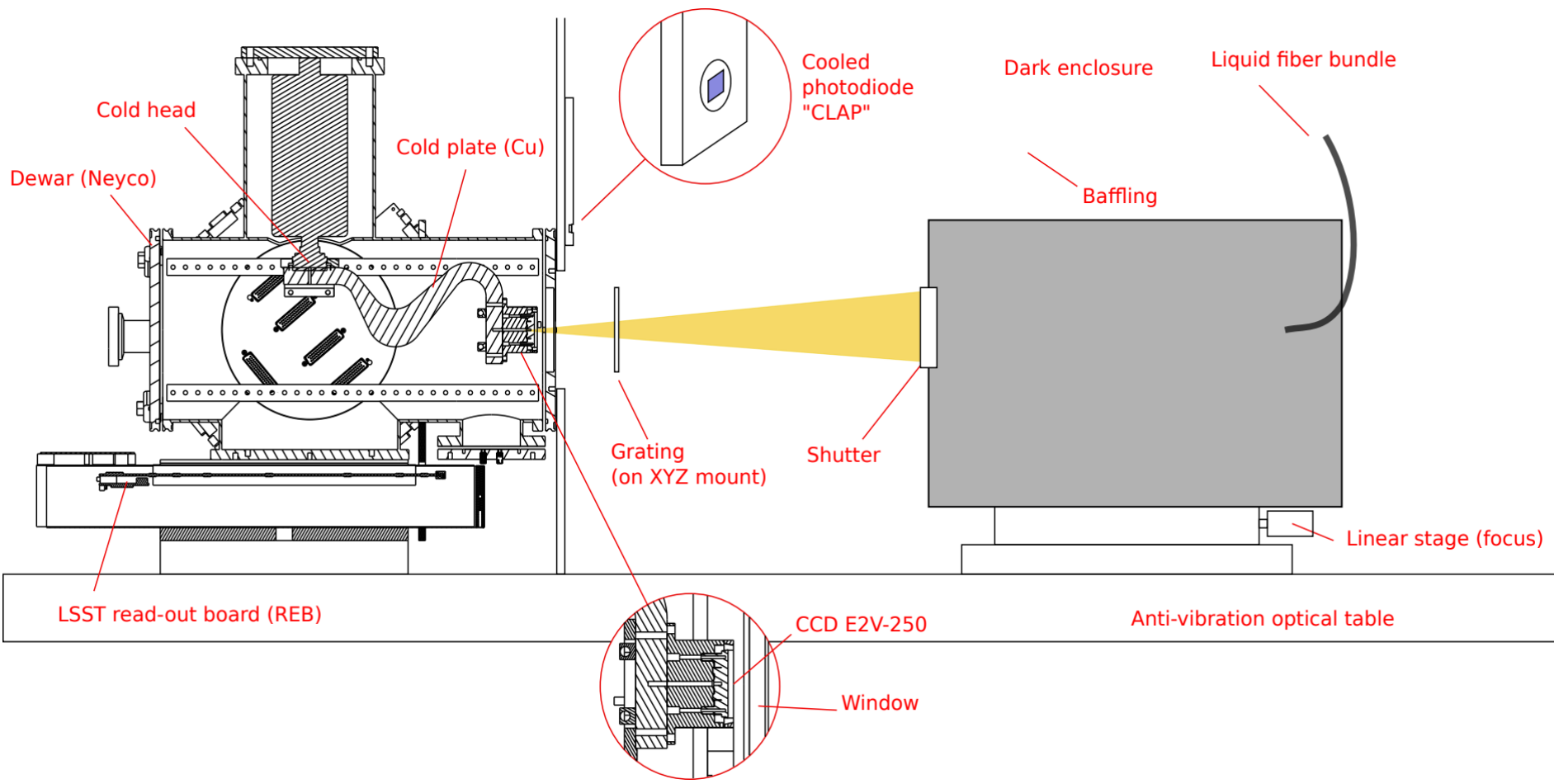
# Baffling & shutter

- **Shutter** : triggered by the **LSST REB** (« SHU » line)
- Beam : f/15 to f/...  
(diaphragm)

**Shutter  
& diaphragm**



# Integration within the CCD testbench

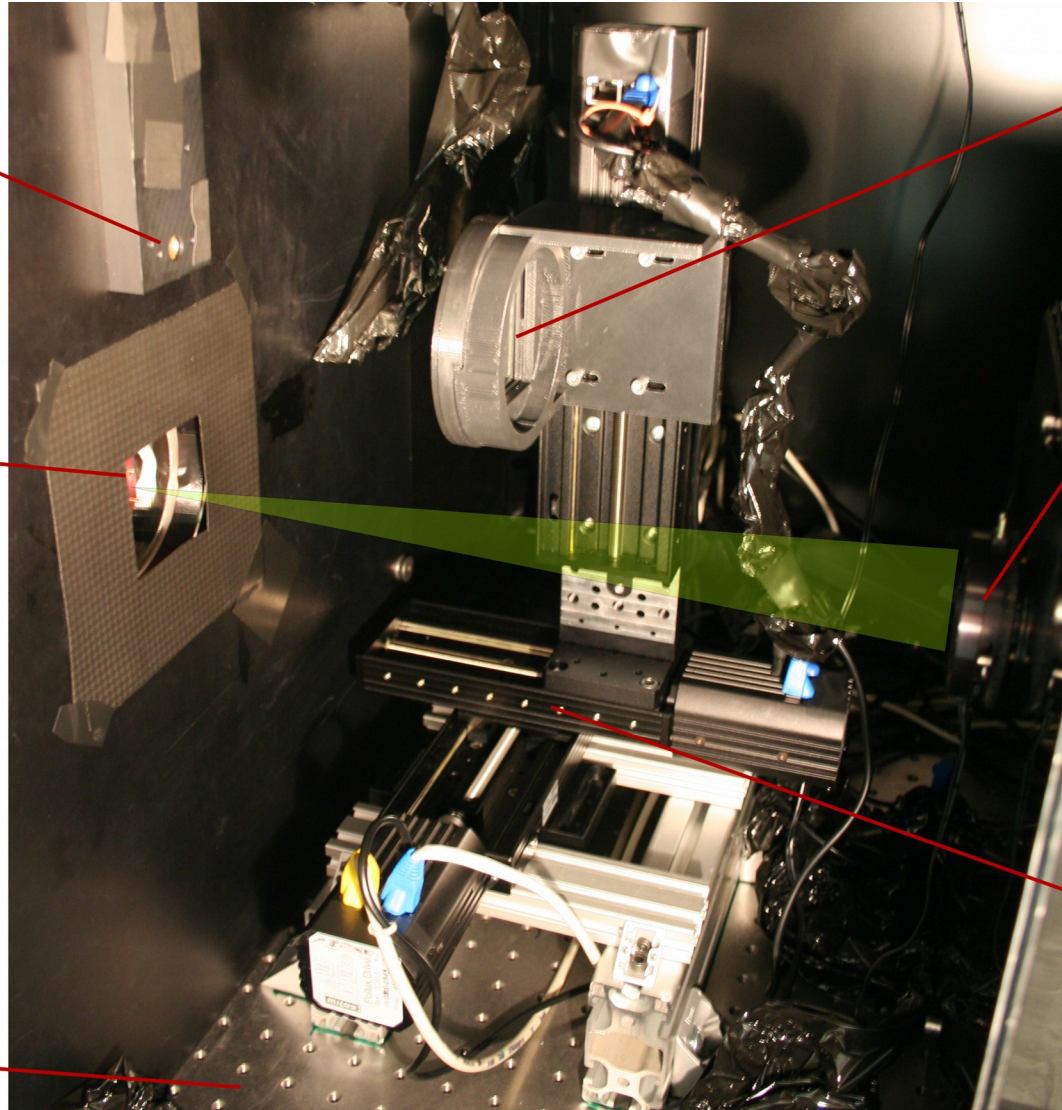


# Integration within the CCD testbench

Cooled photodiode  
(CLAP)

CCD E2V-250

Optical table



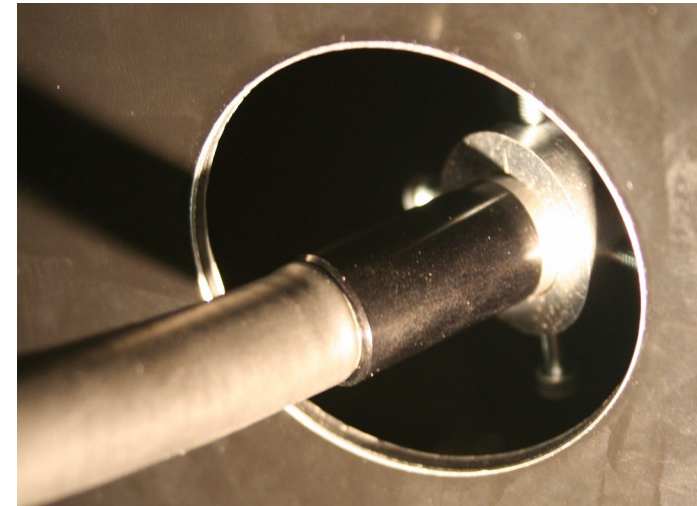
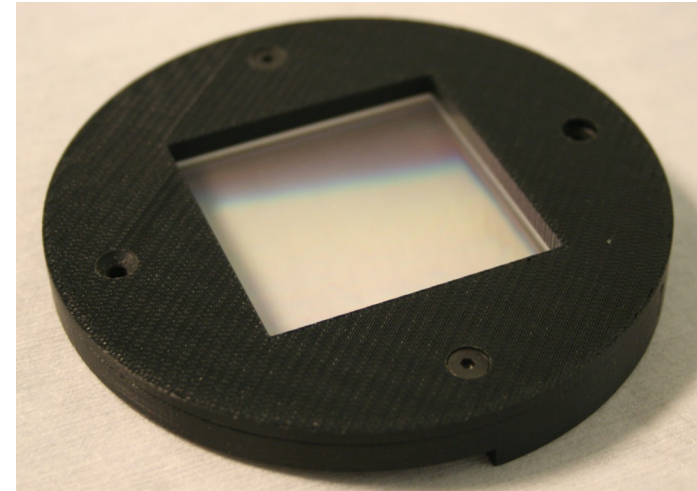
Grating and its ABS  
3D printed support

Tunable convergent  
beam (shutter)

XYZ motorized stage  
(0.4 micron resol.)

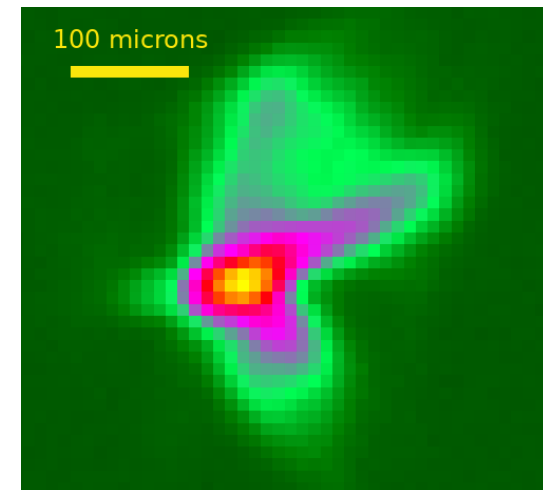
# Integration within the CCD testbench

- Beam focused on the CCD E2V-250
- Frames read using the LSST REB
- Each grating to be characterized is mounted on a **3D printed removable support**  
→ easy to exchange gratings on the setup
- The illuminator system is **fiber fed** :
  - Liquid fiber bundle fed by a **monochromator** and a continuum lamp → **wavelength scans**
  - Hg(Ar) PenRay lamp (Oriel 6035)  
→ **focusing performance**
- XYZ motorized mount (0.4 microns resolution) :
  - **Precise positioning** of the grating in the beam
  - **Throughput / diffraction efficiency** : obtained by taking frames while **moving the grating in / out of the beam**



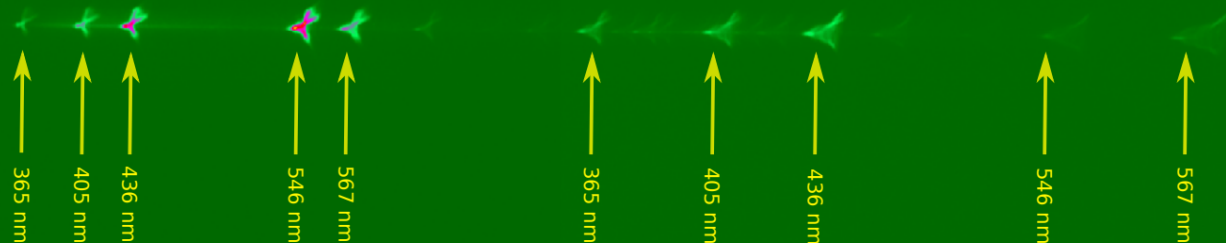
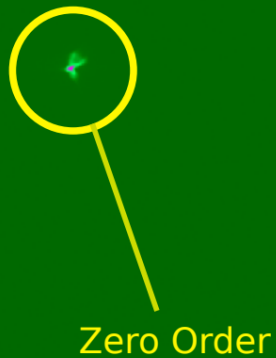
# Test with Thorlabs GT50-03 grating

- Grating : blazed transmission grating, GT50-03, 300 g/mm
- Light source : PenRay Hg(Ar) (*Oriel 6035*)
- **Defocusing** with **increasing wavelength** clearly visible
- Our PSF is not circular, as we already know
- Small enough compared to AuxTel expected seeing



Source: HgAr  
(Oriel 6035)

Grating: Thorlabs GT03-50 (300 l/mm)



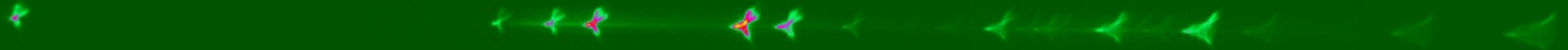
Hg lines  
(order 1)

Hg lines  
(order 2)

# Focus : GT50-03 vs. hologr. HoloPhAg

Source: HgAr  
(Oriel 6035)

Grating: Thorlabs GT50-03 (300 l/mm)



Exactly the same optical setup, and the same physical position for both gratings

3E+04

4E+04

5E+04

6E+04

7E+04

8E+04

Source: HgAr  
(Oriel 6035)

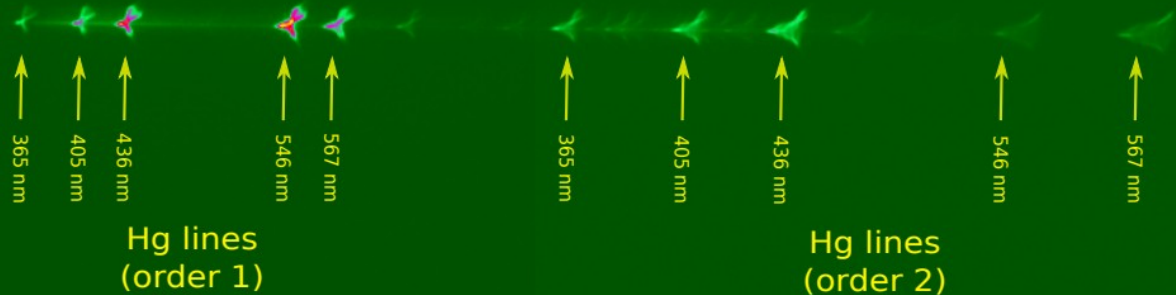
Grating: proto HoloPhAg



# GT50-03 vs. hologram HoloPhAg

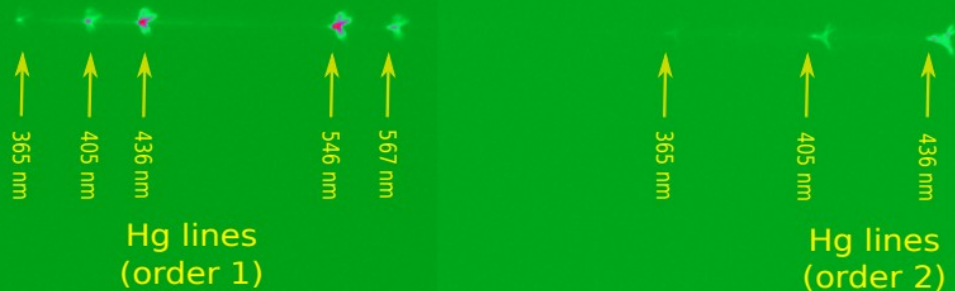
Source: HgAr  
(Oriol 6035)

Grating: Thorlabs GT50-03 (300 l/mm)



Source: HgAr  
(Oriol 6035)

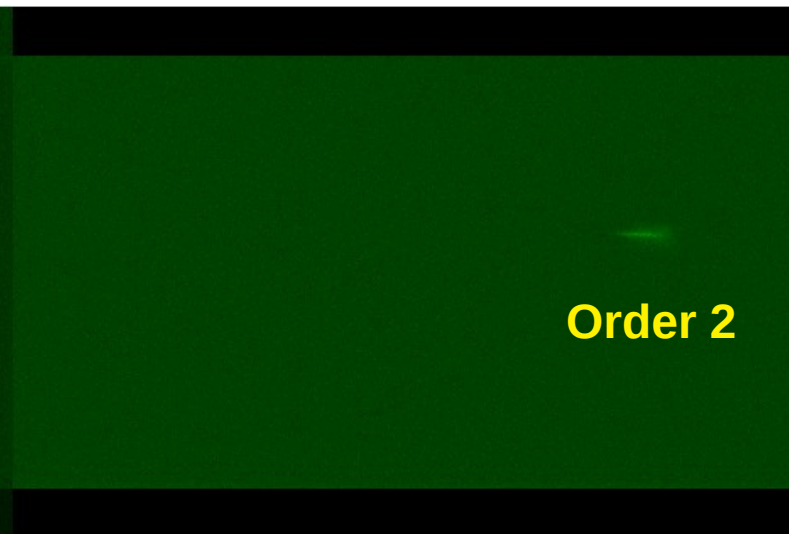
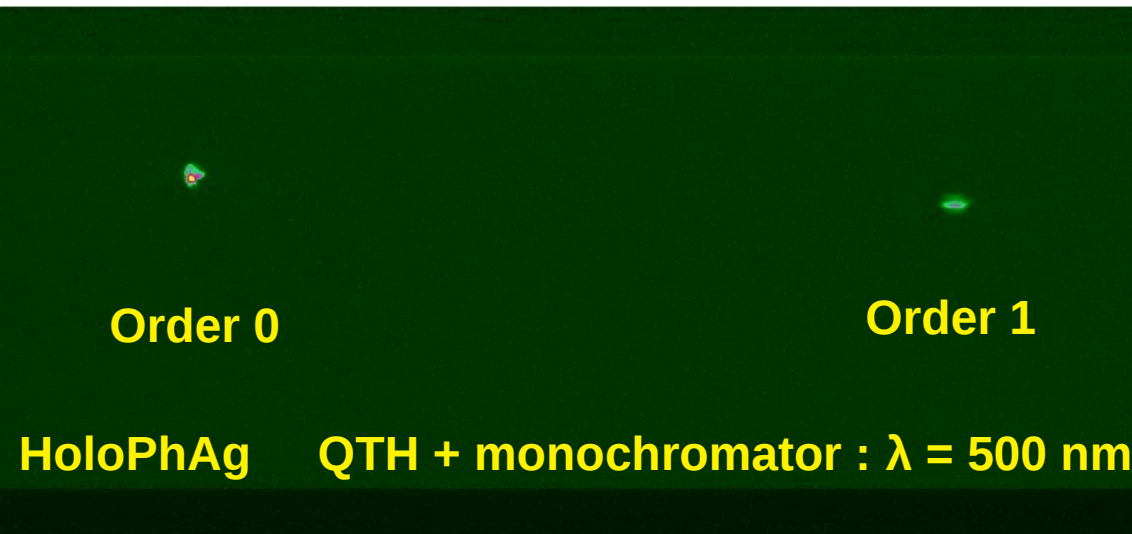
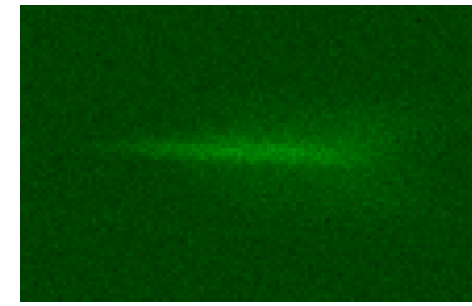
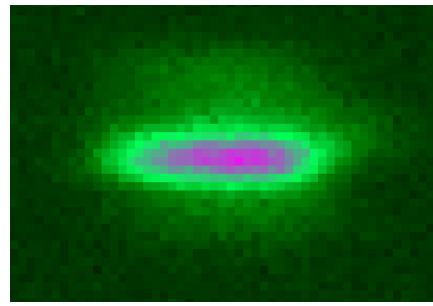
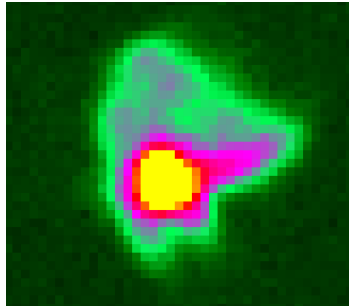
Grating: proto HoloPhAg





# Throughput (efficiency)

- Scanning in wavelength with QTH lamp and monochromator ;
- XYZ mount : grating in the beam / out of the beam : ON / OFF CCD frames



Order 0

Order 1

Order 2

HoloPhAg QTH + monochromator :  $\lambda = 500 \text{ nm}$

2.8e+04

2.9e+04

3.1e+04

3.3e+04

3.7e+04

4.1e+04

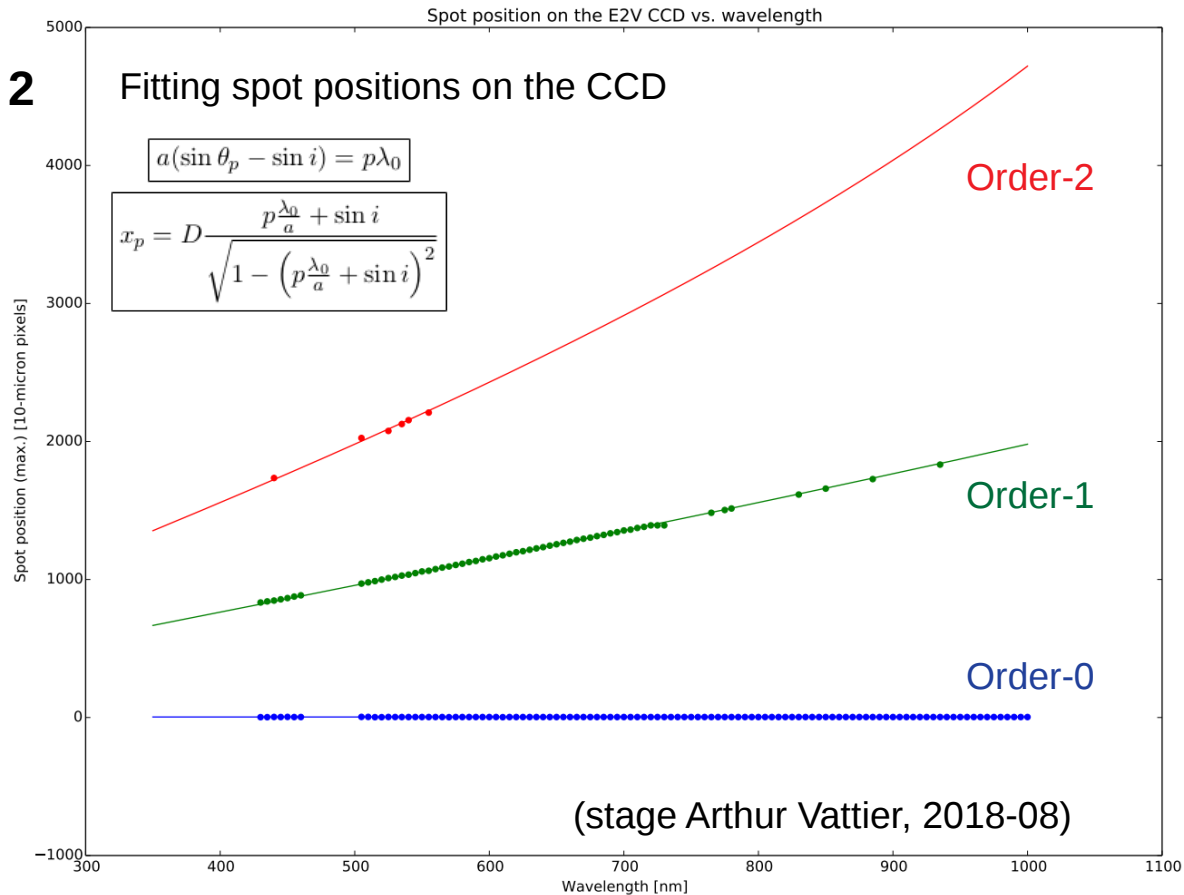
4.6e+04

5.2e+04

# Gratings diffraction efficiency: analysis

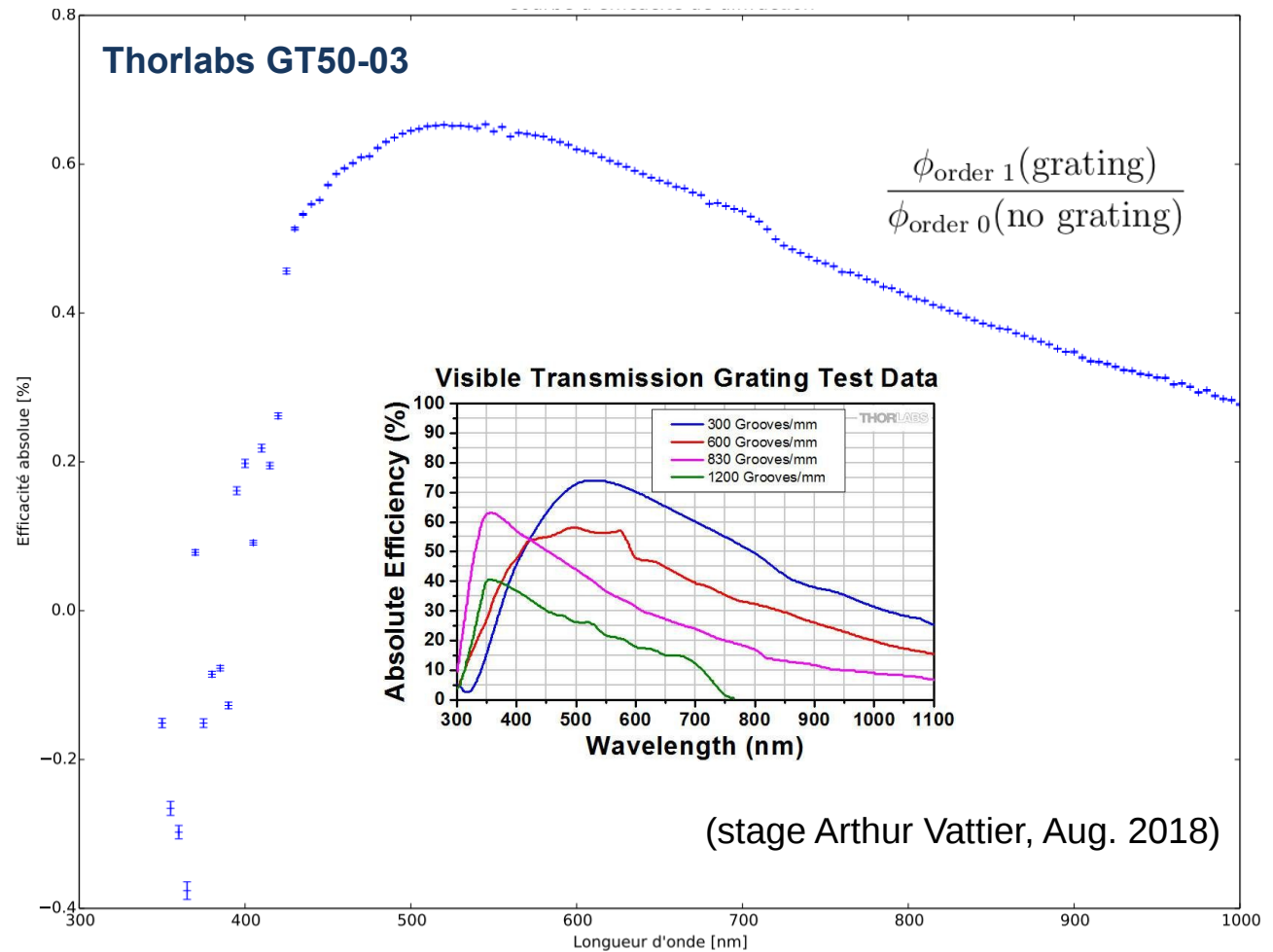
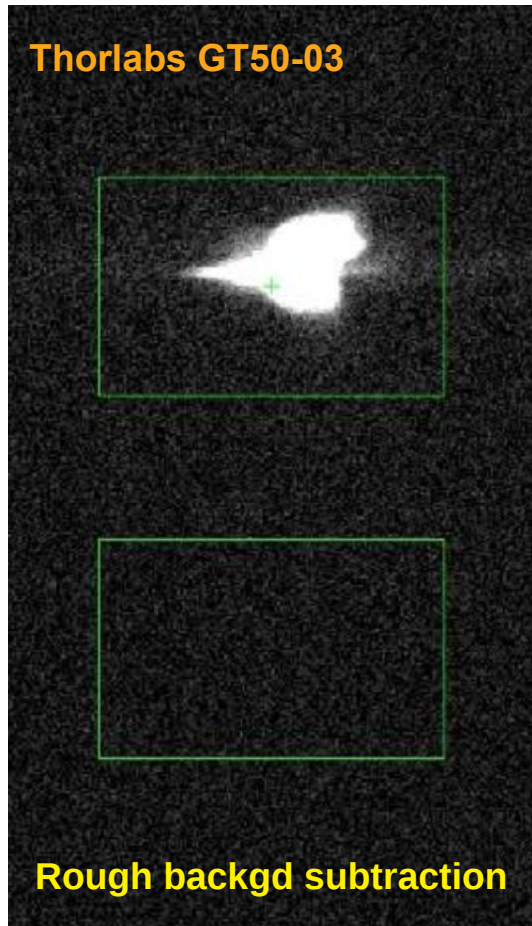
- Scanning in wavelength with QTH lamp and monochromator ;
- ON / OFF CCD frames
- **Aut. detection of orders 0, 1, 2**
- **Fitting** spot positions
- Estimating the **total flux** (box) for each order (subtr. backgd)
- Estimating the Ratio :

$$\frac{\phi_{\text{order 1}}(\text{grating})}{\phi_{\text{order 0}}(\text{no grating})}$$



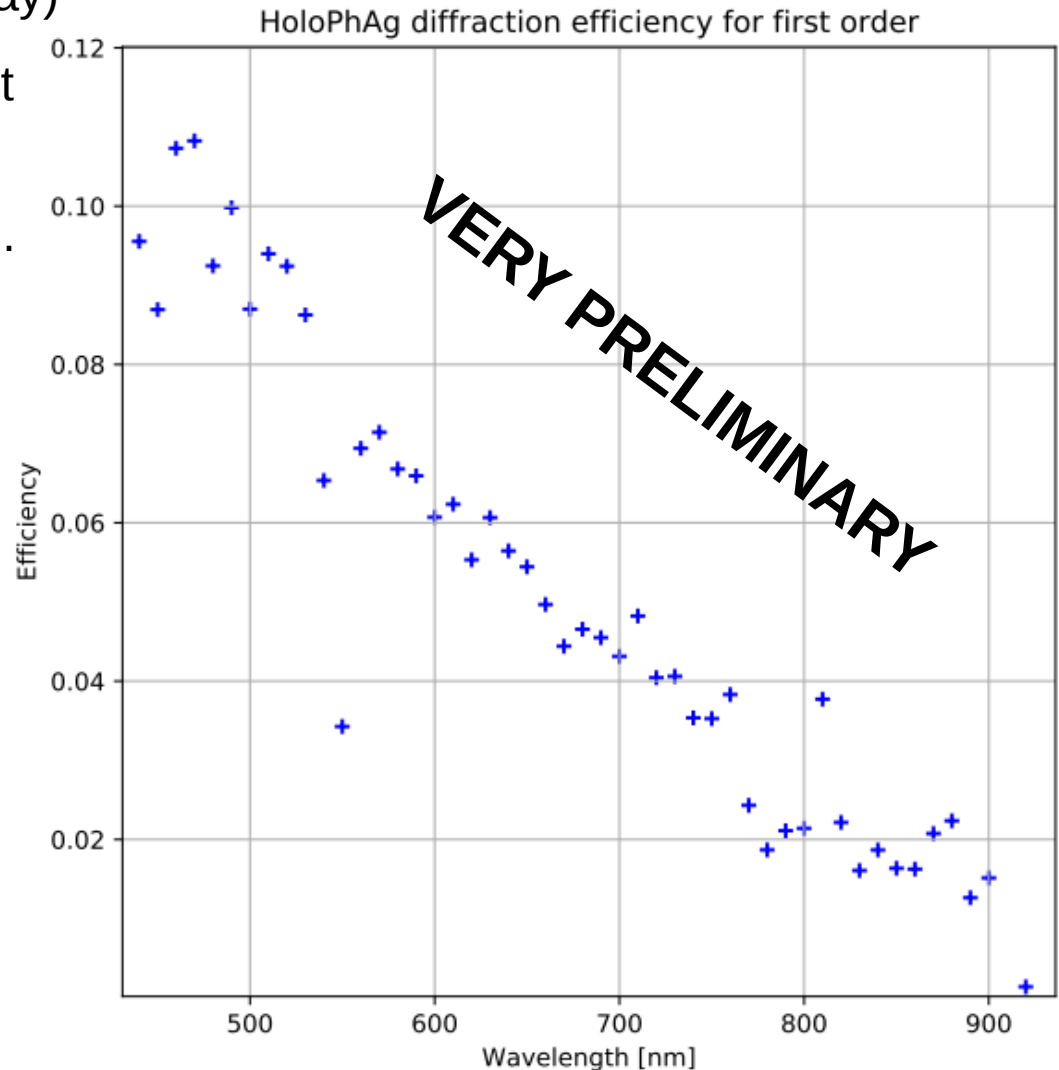
# Diffr. efficiency for Thorlabs GT50-03

Ratio : order-1 (grating) / order-0 (no grating)



# Diffr. efficiency for HoloPhAg proto.

- **Very preliminary** result (yesterday)
  - QTH lamp bulb **is dying** ; no light
  - No flux in UV/blue, will use powerful (500 W) Hg(Ne) instead.
- Still some work to do...



# Conclusion : Work in Progress



- A **dedicated testbench** built at LPNHE to **characterize holographic gratings**, candidates for the AuxTel instrument
- Validated with an ordinary grating (GT50-03) and **holographic prototypes used at CTIO**
- **Data analysis to be completed**
- Will be used to **characterize all the holographic prototypes**
- Goal : measuring throughput / diffraction efficiency for each grating
- To be continued...