



CONVENIENT BEAM DIAGNOSTICS IN LASER QUALITY INSPECTION

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LASER QUALITY MEASUREMENTS



Problems with qualification of beam sources

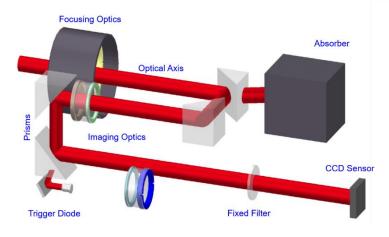
- sheer volume of lasers to be qualified per day
- required measurement accuracy and reproducibility
- > fast and robust qualification measurement and documentation

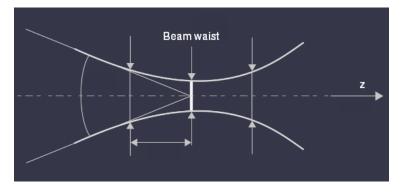
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Measurement Principle:

- Measurement of artificial caustic according to ISO11146
- Backcalculate, using second moments, from caustic to raw beam parameters:
 - Beam waist position
 - Beam waist radius
 - M²

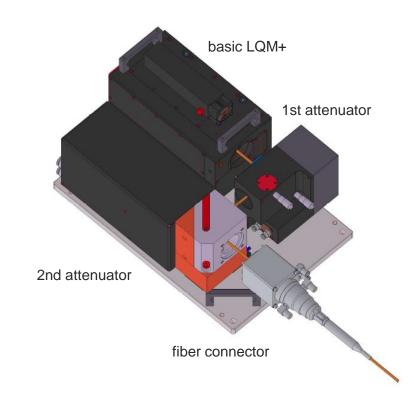








| Device specifications | | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|
| Laser pulse duration | 100 fs - cw | | |
| M² | 1 - 50 | | |
| λ | 340 - 1100 nm | | |
| Power | 100 mW - 20 kW | | |
| Beam diameter | 1 - 15 mm | | |
| Max. power density | up to 10 kW/cm ² | | |

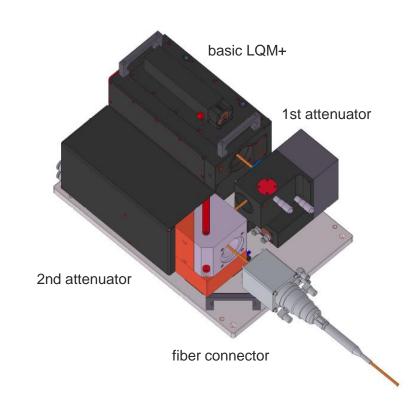


LaserQualityMonitor LQM+



What's the "+" in LQM+?

- Modular system to maximise the range of application => 20kW
- "Plug and play" for fibers
- Fast alignment mode for all other applications
- Simultaneous power measurement in attenuators

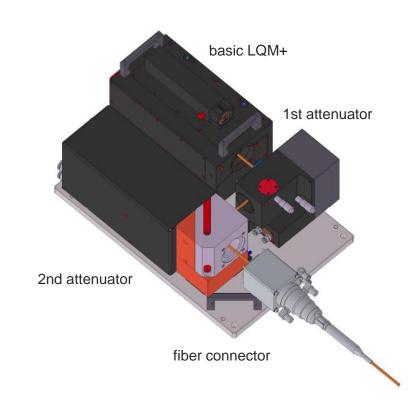


LaserQualityMonitor+



What's the "+" in LQM+?

- Works with new LDS
- Auto-caustic: 3 times faster than LQM!
- Higher measurement accuracy and reproducibility
- Interchangeability of lenses, OD filters, attenuators
- Increased signal-noise-ratio



AUTOCAUSTIC MEASUREMENT



Measurements with LQM+ and new LDS:

- 1. Plug fiber
- 2. Choose Auto caustic
- 3. Press Play
- 4. Measurement (ca. 1 min)
- > fast
- > accurate
- > operator independent
- > environment independent



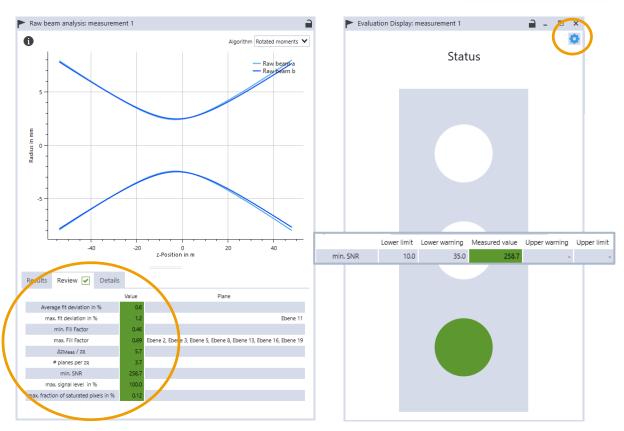
MEASUREMENT EVALUATION



Laser



Not OK



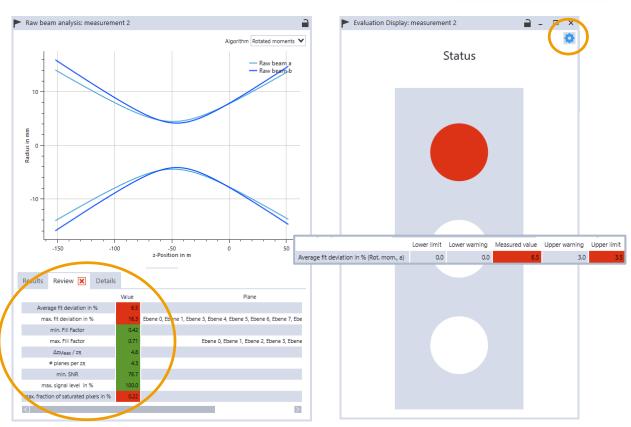
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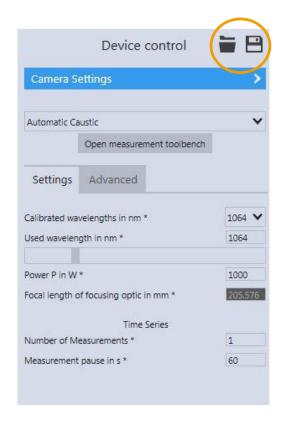


PRESETS



Laser Quality Measurements:

- Same setup
- Same laser type
- High volume of measurements/day
- > Save time by setting parameters once, then load and use presets for measurement



REPORT FUNCTION



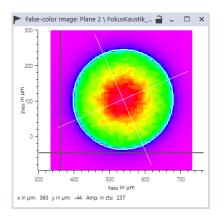
Documentation of measurements:

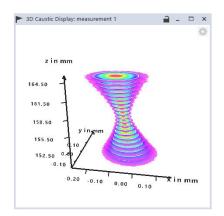
- pdf-Report with measurement results
- Customized reports possible upon request

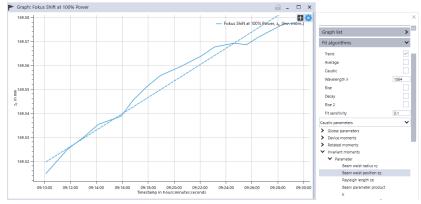


SOFTWARE EVOLUTION









| | a | b | Total |
|----------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| z in mm | | | 84.565 |
| r in µm | 141.65 | 140.86 | |
| Ellipticity | | | 0.99 |
| Azimuth angle φ in ° | | | 23.5 |
| COG (window) in mm | 0.005 | 0.003 | |
| COG (absolute) in mm | 0.537 | 0.106 | |

| | a | b | Total |
|---------------------------------|---------|---------|-------|
| zo in mm | 151.519 | 151.657 | |
| ro in μm | 29.64 | 28.95 | |
| zR in mm | 2.45 | 2.36 | |
| Divergence Angle θ in myad | 24.16 | 24.52 | |
| M ² | 1.06 | 1.05 | |
| BPP in mm*mrad | 0.358 | 0.355 | |
| Ellipticity at Δz ₀ | | | 1.02 |
| Δz ₀ /z _R | | | -0.06 |
| COG x at zo in mm | 0.012 | 0.010 | |
| COG y at zo in mm | -0.017 | -0.017 | |
| Misalignment angle in mrad | -8.03 | 1.21 | 1.41 |

=> Complex Analysis:

- time stability
- reproducibility
- comparison of lasers
- process characterizations

EASY HANDLING OF MEASUREMENT DATA



- Parallel displaying of different datasets / measurements for comparison
- All tools can be opened any number of times



OUTLOOK: LDS PRO



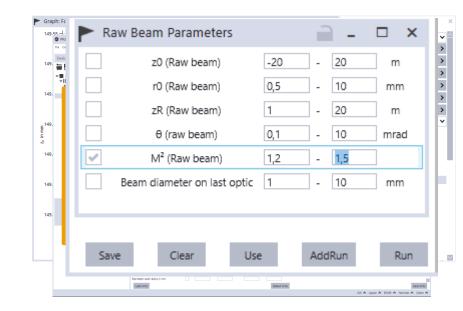
Database:
Management of large amounts of measurements

Customized limit values: Process condition monitoring

Tools for statistical evaluations

"Intelligent" tools to quickly answer complex questions

Software interfaces



SUMMARY



Easy, fast and accurate measurements of laser quality due to:

- "Plug-and-play" for fibers
- Fast, accurate 1-click measurements
- Evaluation of measurement results
- Tools for analyzing big datasets and time-related effects
- Report function for documentation







THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

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