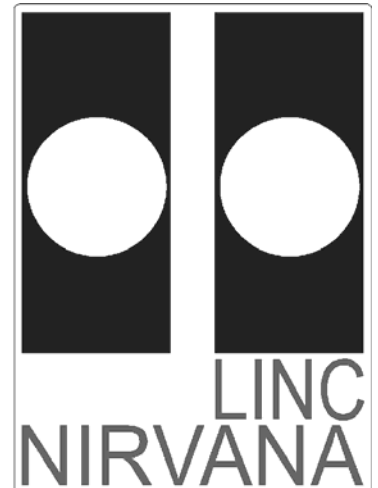


# LINC-NIRVANA

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### Effect of rms wavefront error

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## 1 Scope

This document shows the effect of the rms wavefront error to the MTF and PSF.

## 2 Applicable documents

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## 3 Acronyms and abbreviations

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## 4 Introduction

The effect of rms wavefront error to the MTF and PSF is simulated by using a ZEMAX setup of the LINC-NIRVANA entrance pupil in combination with a perfect lens (a lens which does not introduce wavefront error) and a Zernike Sag surface. The Zernike surface is used with the first 10 coefficients which are all set to identical values in order to distort the wavefront.

All calculations for wavelength  $1.0\ \mu\text{m}$  and on-axis field.

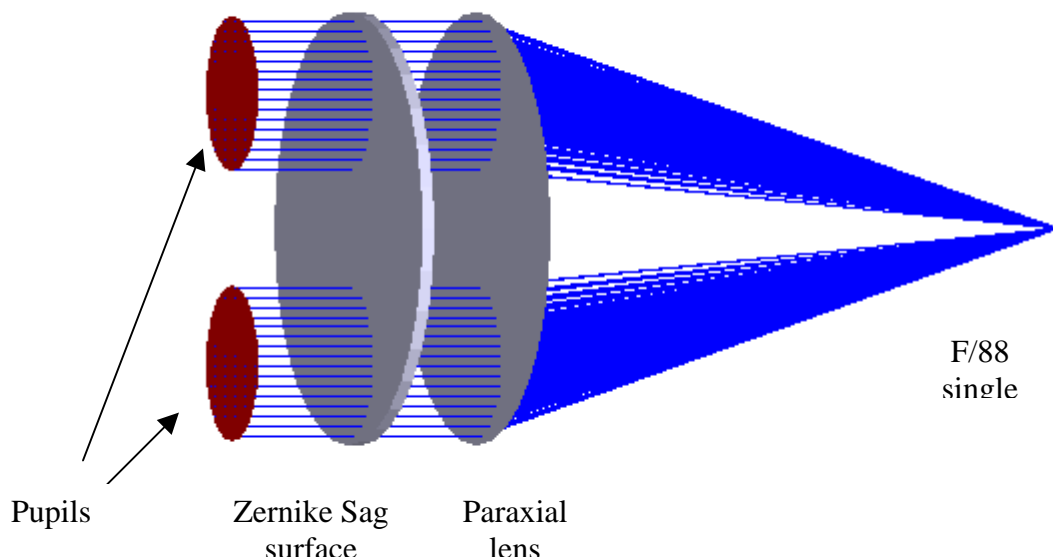


Figure 1: Overview

# 5 Calculations

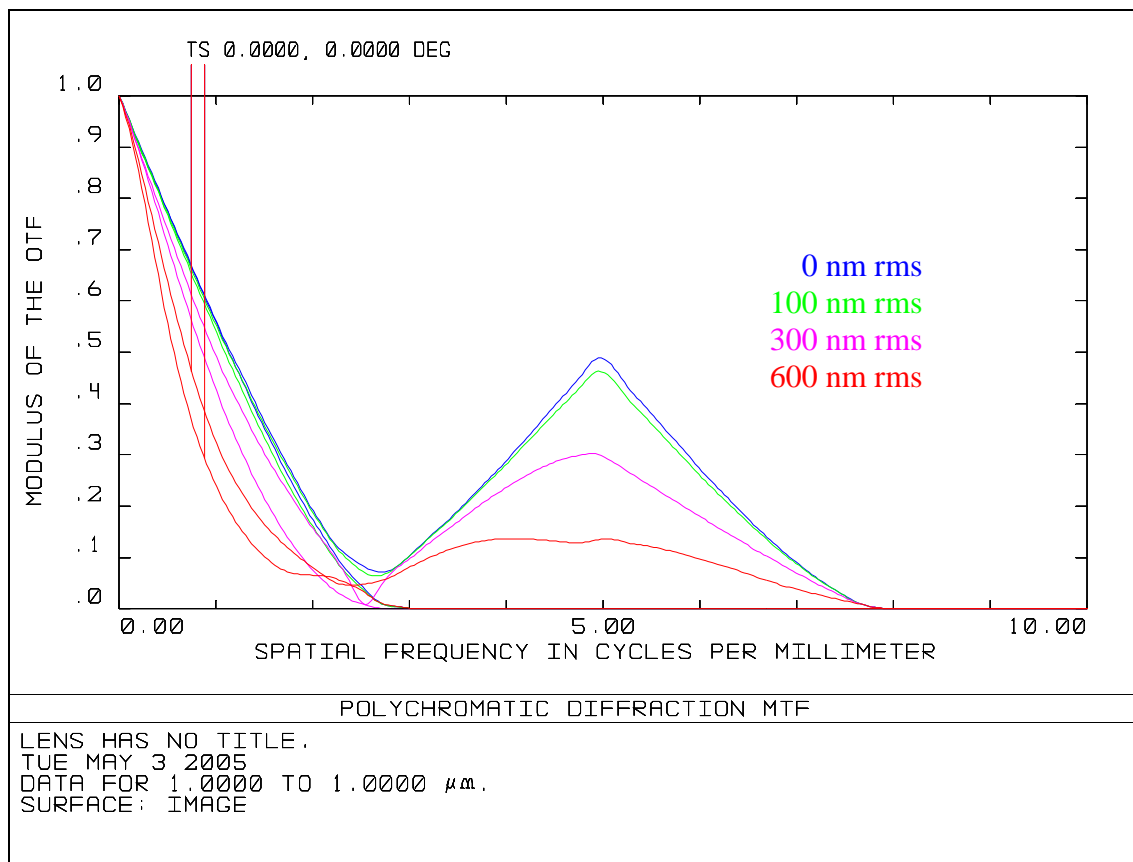


Figure 2: MTF plot for various rms wavefront errors

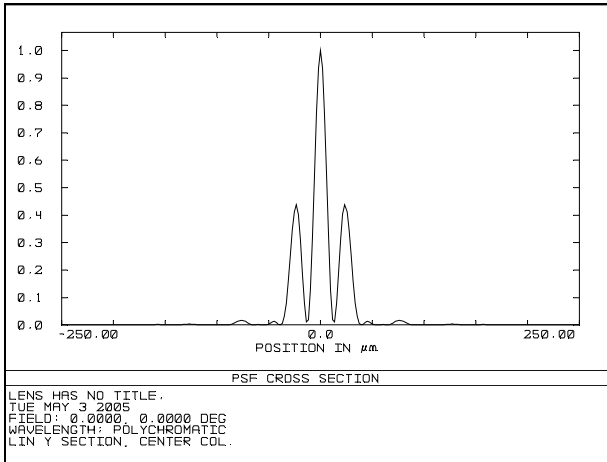


Figure 3: 0 nm rms, perfect PSF

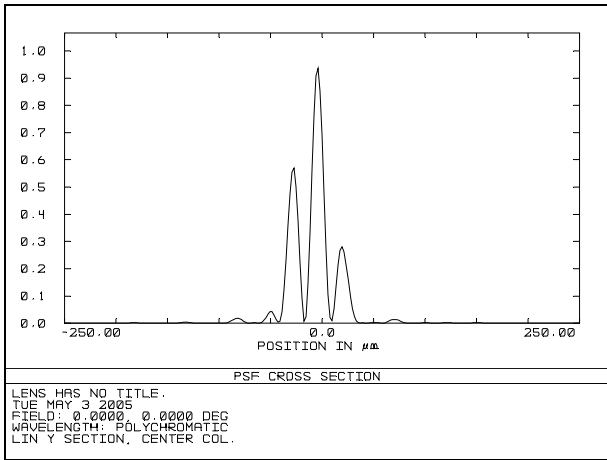


Figure 4: 100 nm rms, all Zernike to 8.5E-5

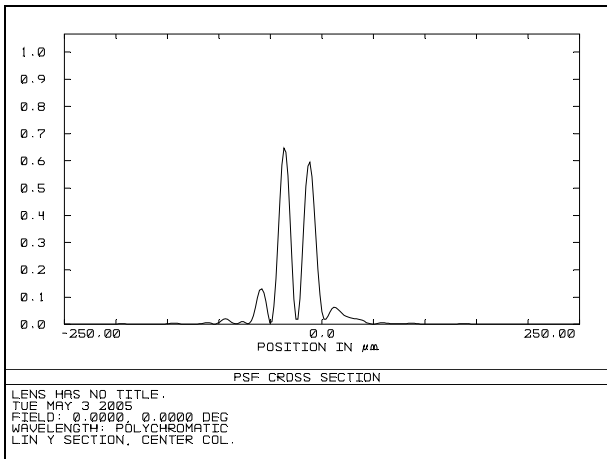


Figure 5: 300 nm rms, all Zernike to 2.5E-4

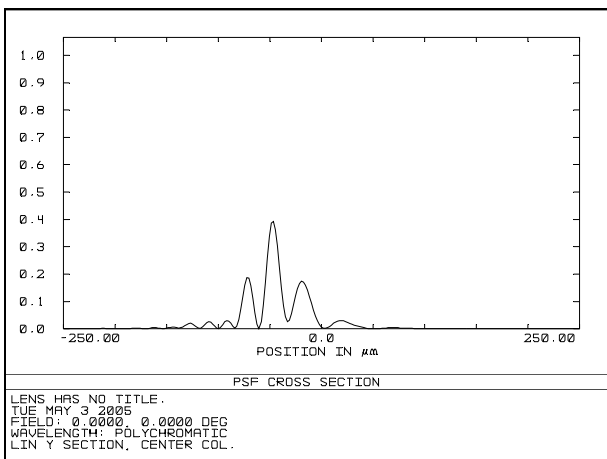


Figure 6: 600 nm rms, all Zernike to 5E-4