



# Method of calculating the aberrations of soft X-ray and vacuum ultraviolet optical systems

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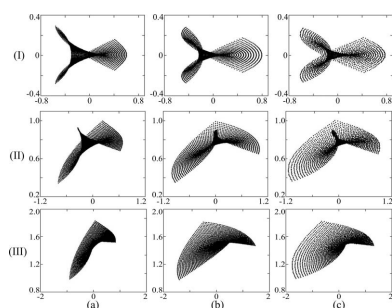
Based on the the third-order aberration theory of plane-symmetric optical systems, this paper studies the effect on aberrations of the second-order accuracy of aperture-ray coordinates and the extrinsic aberrations of this kind of optical system; their calculation expressions are derived. The resultant aberration expressions are then applied to calculate the aberrations of two design examples of soft X-ray and vacuum ultraviolet (XUV) optical systems; images are compared with ray-tracing results using *SHADOW* software to validate the aberration expressions. The study shows that the accuracy of the aberration expressions is satisfactory.

## 1. Introduction

Soft X-ray and vacuum ultraviolet (XUV) optical systems are widely used with synchrotron radiation, X-ray microscopy, *etc.* (Owen *et al.*, 2016; Yang *et al.*, 2016; Underwood & Koch, 1997; Shealy *et al.*, 1995). The aberration analysis method is key to the optical system design in order to gain sufficiently high optical transmission in XUV optical systems, and researchers need to adopt a scheme where grazing-incidence rays impinge on the optical surface. Consequently, the shape of the wavefront will deviate significantly from spherical, and the focusing geometry of a light beam in the meridional plane will differ from that in the sagittal plane, and thus result in the imaging performance of a plane-symmetric optical system (Cao & Lu, 2017).

Many aberration analysis methods have been developed for plane-symmetric optical systems; for example, the light-path function (LPF) (Beulter, 1945; Noda *et al.*, 1974), analytic formulas of the ray-tracing spot diagram (SD) (Namioka *et al.*, 1994; Masui & Namioka, 1999), Lie optics (Goto & Kurosaki, 1993; Palmer *et al.*, 1998*a,b*) and wavefront aberration (WFA) (Chrisp, 1983; Lu, 2008). Lu (2008) adopted a toroidal surface as a reference wavefront to develop the third-order aberration theory of plane-symmetric optical systems based on the WFA method. The aberration theory was applicable to the aberrations analysis of XUV optical systems of mirrors or gratings of different surface types, but it adopted a linear approximation of the aperture-ray coordinates and only considered intrinsic aberrations of multi-element optical systems.

According to Gaussian optics, aperture-ray coordinates are usually approximated linearly in an axially symmetric multi-element optical system. In a plane-symmetric optical system, however, the light beam often impinges on the optical surface at oblique incidence, or even extremely grazing incidence. This usually causes serious aberrations, which will then cause the aperture ray to strongly deviate from the Gaussian optics. In

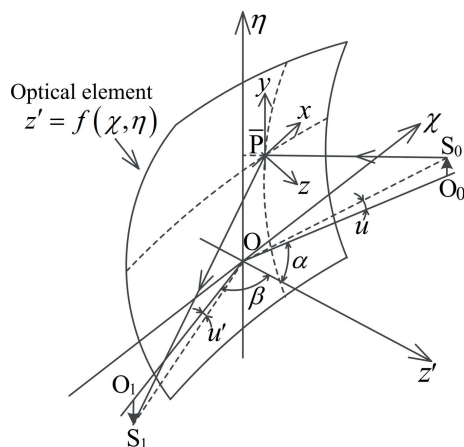


addition, the aperture-ray coordinates of the optical surface will be modified by the aberrations of its preceding optical surface (*i.e.* extrinsic aberrations). Therefore, for an XUV optical system with a small meridional curvature radius of an optical surface or a large field angle of a point source, the calculation accuracy of the third-order aberration theory of plane-symmetric optical systems will have a significant error (Lu, 2008). We also need to consider the effects on the aberration due to the second-order accuracy of the aperture-ray coordinates and the extrinsic aberrations. Lu & Lin (2010) combined the WFA and SD methods to derive the aberration expressions of the wave-aberration form of double-element systems with the nonlinear accuracy of aperture-ray coordinates; however, it is not an analytic analysis method and is not suitable for multi-element optical systems. In this paper, we propose an analytical analysis method for the effect on the aberrations of the second-order accuracy of the aperture-ray coordinates and extrinsic aberrations of XUV multi-element optical systems.

In Sections 2 and 3 we introduce the definition and the third-order aberration theory of plane-symmetric optical systems (Lu, 2008), respectively, while in Section 4 the relation of aperture-ray coordinates between adjacent optical surfaces is fitted with a second-order polynomial, and, for the XUV optical system, we study the variation of the aperture-ray coordinates on the optical surface of the latter optical element due to the aberrations produced by its preceding optical element. In Section 5 we use the resultant aberrations formulae to calculate the imaging of two design examples of XUV optical systems, and the calculation results are validated with the ray-tracing program *SHADOW* (Sanchez del Rio, 2011).

## 2. Definition of plane-symmetric optical systems

Fig. 1 shows a plane-symmetric optical system with an off-plane object point  $S_0$  (Lu, 2008). The optical surface is symmetrical with respect to the plane  $\chi Oz'$ , where O is the vertex of the optical surface.  $O_0OO_1$ , lying in the symmetry plane, is defined as the base ray, whose angles of incidence and



**Figure 1**  
Optical scheme of a plane-symmetric optical system.

reflection are  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , respectively, and their sign will be positive if rotation from the  $z'$ -axis to the ray is counter-clockwise. The ray  $S_0\bar{P}S_1$ , emitted from source  $S_0$  and passing through the center of the entrance pupil, is the principle ray; it intersects the optical surface at  $\bar{P}$ , which is stipulated to be the origin of the pupil coordinates system  $xyz$ .  $u$  and  $u'$  are the sagittal field angle in the object space and image space, respectively.

The general form of a plane-symmetric surface can be expressed in the vertex coordinate system of  $\chi\eta z'$  by the equation (Lu & Cao, 2017)

$$z' = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} c_{i,j} \chi^i \eta^j, \quad (1)$$

$$c_{0,0} = c_{1,0} = 0, \quad j = \text{even.}$$

For the third-order aberration theory of plane-symmetric optical systems, the power series needs to be kept up to the fourth order; thus the figure equation is denoted by

$$z' = c_{2,0} \chi^2 + c_{0,2} \eta^2 + c_{3,0} \chi^3 + c_{1,2} \chi \eta^2 + c_{4,0} \chi^4 + c_{2,2} \chi^2 \eta^2 + c_{0,4} \eta^4, \quad (2)$$

where the coefficient  $c_{i,j}$  has been given for toroid, ellipsoid and paraboloid by Peatman (1997). For a toroidal surface,  $c_{i,j}$  is as follows,

$$c_{2,0} = \frac{1}{2R}, \quad c_{0,2} = \frac{1}{2\rho}, \quad c_{3,0} = 0, \quad c_{1,2} = 0, \quad (3)$$

$$c_{4,0} = \frac{1}{8R^3}, \quad c_{0,4} = \frac{1}{8\rho^3}, \quad c_{2,2} = \frac{1}{4R^2\rho},$$

where  $R$  and  $\rho$  are the major and minor curvature radii of the toroid. If  $R = \rho$ , equation (2) becomes a spherical equation, and, if  $R$  or  $\rho$  tend to infinity, then it becomes a cylindrical equation.

## 3. Third-order aberration theory of a multi-element plane-symmetric optical system

The wave aberration is derived from the light-path function; however, the groove function of a grating will also contribute to the wave aberration. The groove function  $n = n(\chi, \eta)$  for holographic and mechanically ruled gratings is represented by (Cao & Lu, 2017)

$$n = \frac{\chi}{\sigma} + \frac{\Gamma}{\sigma} \left( \frac{n_{20}}{2} \chi^2 + \frac{n_{02}}{2} \eta^2 + \frac{n_{30}}{2} \chi^3 + \frac{n_{12}}{2} \chi \eta^2 + \frac{n_{40}}{8} \chi^4 + \frac{n_{22}}{4} \chi^2 \eta^2 + \frac{n_{04}}{8} \eta^4 + \dots \right), \quad (4)$$

where  $\sigma$  is the groove spacing of the grating at the vertex, and  $\Gamma$  and  $n_{ij}$  are given by equations (20)–(22) of Namioka *et al.* (1994). The wave aberration of a plane-symmetric optical system is represented by

$$W = \sum_{ijk} w_{ijk} x^i y^j u^k \quad (i + j + k \leq 4). \quad (5)$$

The wave-aberration coefficients  $w_{ijk}$  are given by

$$w_{ijk} = M_{ijk}(\alpha, r_m, r_s, l_s) + (-1)^k M_{ijk}(\beta, r'_m, r'_s, l'_s) + \Lambda N_{ijk}, \quad (6)$$

where  $x, y$  are the aperture-ray coordinates on the optical surface;  $M_{ijk}(\alpha, r_m, r_s, l_s)$  are the wave-aberration coefficients of the object pencil and are listed in Appendix A of Lu & Zhu (2012); the parameters  $r_m, r_s, r'_m, r'_s$  represent the meridional and sagittal focal distances in the object and image space;  $l$  and  $l'$  are the parameters representing the position of the entrance and exit pupil; their expressions as well as  $N_{ijk}$  are given by Lu (2008) and  $\Lambda = (m\lambda/\sigma)\Gamma$ .

Similar to Gaussian optics, the first- and second-order wave-aberration should be zero to define the aberrations of plane-symmetric optical systems. The parameters  $\alpha, \beta, l, l', r_m, r_s, r'_m, r'_s$  are determined by equations (4)–(7) of Cao & Lu (2017). Therefore, the imaging aberration is contributed by the remaining third- to fourth-order wave aberrations (Lu, 2008),

$$W = w_{300}x^3 + w_{120}xy^2 + w_{400}x^4 + w_{220}x^2y^2 + w_{040}y^4 + w_{102}xu^2 + w_{013}yu^3 + w_{202}x^2u^2 + w_{022}y^2u^2 + w_{111}xyu + w_{031}y^3u + w_{211}x^2yu. \quad (7)$$

For multi-element optical systems, the total wave aberration is the sum of the contribution from every optical element. Therefore, for an optical system of  $g$  elements the wave aberration is formulated as

$$W = W_{(1)} + W_{(2)} + \dots + W_{(g)} = \sum_{n=1}^g \sum_{ijk} W_{ijk(n)} x_n^i y_n^j u_n^k \quad (i + j + k \leq 4). \quad (8)$$

If the relation of the aperture-ray coordinates and the field angle between adjacent optical surfaces adopts the linear approximation,

$$x_i = A_i x_{i+1}, \quad y_i = -B_i y_{i+1}, \quad u_i = -(1/B_i) u_{i+1}, \quad (9)$$

where  $A_i = r'_{m(i)} \cos \alpha_{i+1} / [r_{m(i+1)} \cos \beta_i]$  and  $B_i = r'_{s(i)} / r_{s(i+1)}$ .

For an XUV optical system with a small meridional curvature radius of the optical surface or a large field angle of a point source, the linear approximation is unsatisfactory; we will discuss the modification of the wave aberration using a second-order polynomial to fit the above relation in Section 4.

In the third-order aberration theory of plane-symmetric optical systems, the aperture-ray coordinates and the field angle on the final optical surface are usually assumed to be the reference ones of the optical systems. With the transfer equation (9), the wave aberration of equation (8) can be transformed into

$$W = \sum_{ijk}^4 W_{ijk}^T x_g^i y_g^j u_g^k, \quad (10)$$

$$W_{ijk}^T = \sum_{n=1}^{g-1} W_{ijk(n)} A_{nlg}^i B_{nlg}^{j-k} + W_{ijk(g)},$$

where  $W_{ijk}^T$  is the wave-aberration coefficient with the linear approximation of the multi-element optical systems; and the coefficients of transformation with the linear approximation of the aperture-ray coordinates,  $A_{nlg}$  and  $B_{nlg}$ , are calculated by

$$A_{nlg} = \frac{r'_{m(n)} r'_{m(n+1)} \dots r'_{m(g-1)} \cos \alpha_{n+1} \cos \alpha_{n+2} \dots \cos \alpha_g}{r_{m(n+1)} r_{m(n+2)} \dots r_{m(g)} \cos \beta_n \cos \beta_{n+1} \dots \cos \beta_{g-1}},$$

$$B_{nlg} = \frac{r'_{s(n)} r'_{s(n+1)} \dots r'_{s(g-1)}}{r_{s(n+1)} r_{s(n+2)} \dots r_{s(g)}}. \quad (11)$$

Furthermore, the third-order ray aberrations on the image plane at a distance  $r'_0$  from the optical element and perpendicular to the base ray  $OO_1$  are derived,

$$x' = d_{100}x + d_{200}x^2 + d_{020}y^2 + d_{300}x^3 + d_{120}xy^2 + d_{002}u^2 + d_{011}yu + d_{111}xyu + d_{102}xu^2, \quad (12)$$

$$y' = h_{010}y + h_{110}xy + h_{210}x^2y + h_{030}y^3 + h_{003}u^3 + h_{001}u + h_{101}xu + h_{201}x^2u + h_{021}y^2u + h_{012}yu^2,$$

where the ray-aberration coefficients,  $d_{ijk}$  and  $h_{ijk}$ , are given by Lu & Zhu (2012).

In addition, similar to an axially symmetric optical system, the aberrations of a plane-symmetric optical system are related to  $l$ , the position of the pupil of each optical surface. The transfer equation of the pupil-position parameters is (Lu & Zhu, 2012)

$$l_{n+1} = \frac{1}{B_{n|n+1}^2} l_n + \frac{d_n}{B_{n|n+1}}. \quad (13)$$

where  $d_n$  is the distance from the  $n$ th element to the  $(n+1)$ th element.

#### 4. Effect of second-order accuracy of aperture-ray coordinates and extrinsic aberrations

##### 4.1. Transfer relationship of aperture-ray coordinates with second-order accuracy

Fig. 2 shows the optical scheme of an aperture ray  $S_0P_1P_2$  passing through a double-element optical system.  $S_0O_1O_2$  is the principle ray,  $S_0P_1P_2$  is the aperture ray; the coordinate systems  $x_i y_i z_i, x_{0(i)} y_{0(i)} z_{0(i)}$  and  $x'_{0(i)} y'_{0(i)} z'_{0(i)}$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) correspond to the optical surface, the entrance and exit wavefront, respectively.  $x'_1 y'_1 z'_1$  is the coordinate system on the image

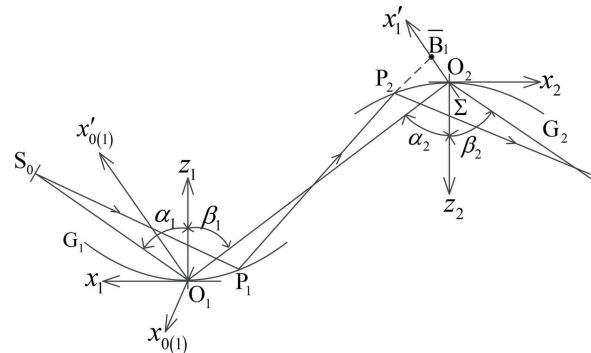


Figure 2 Optical scheme of an aperture ray  $S_0P_1P_2$  passing through a double-element optical system.

plane  $\Sigma$  positioned at  $O_2$ ,  $\bar{B}_1$  is the intersection point of ray  $P_1P_2$  and  $\Sigma$ .

The calculation of the total wave aberration requires the transformation of the aperture-ray coordinates of each element to the reference ones. As given in equation (10), the relation of the aperture-ray coordinates between adjacent optical surfaces adopts a linear approximation. However, for an XUV optical system with a small meridional curvature radius of the optical surface or a large field angle of a point source, if we also adopt the above transformation, it will result in inaccuracy of the wave aberration calculation. In this paper, we handle the transformation with the second-order polynomial of the aperture-ray coordinates between adjacent optical surfaces.

Since the field angle  $u$  is very small, the components containing only  $u$  are ignored in the derivation of the transfer relationship of the second-order accuracy of the aperture-ray coordinates on the optical surface. In order to obtain the relationship, we firstly need to know their transformation between the entrance wavefront and the optical surface. The expression of the second-order relation is

$$\begin{aligned} x_i &= \frac{1}{\cos \alpha_i} x_{0(i)} + 2 \tan \alpha_i c_{0,2(i)} l_i y_{0(i)} u_i \\ &\quad + \frac{\sin \alpha_i}{\cos^3 \alpha_i} \left( c_{2,0(i)} - \frac{\cos \alpha_i}{r_{m(i)}} \right) x_{0(i)}^2 + \tan \alpha_i c_{0,2(i)} y_{0(i)}^2, \\ y_i &= \tan \alpha_i \left( 1 - \frac{l_i}{r_{s(i)}} \right) x_{0(i)} u_i + y_{0(i)} - \frac{\tan \alpha_i}{r_{s(i)}} x_{0(i)} y_{0(i)}, \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

where  $x_{0(i)}$ ,  $y_{0(i)}$ ,  $x_i$ ,  $y_i$  are the aperture-ray coordinates on the entrance wavefront and the optical surface of the  $i$ th element, respectively.

Then, we can calculate the ray coordinate on the image plane  $\Sigma$  that lies in the position of the entrance wavefront of the  $(i+1)$ th element using the aperture-ray coordinates on the optical surface of the  $i$ th element,  $x_i$ ,  $y_i$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} x'_i &= P_{100(i)} x_i + P_{011(i)} u_i y_i + P_{200(i)} x_i^2 + P_{020(i)} y_i^2, \\ y'_i &= T_{101(i)} x_i u_i + T_{010(i)} y_i + T_{110(i)} x_i y_i, \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

where the expressions for coefficients  $P_{klm(i)}$  and  $T_{klm(i)}$  are given by

$$\begin{aligned} P_{100(i)} &= \Lambda_{m(i)} \cos \beta_i, & P_{011(i)} &= -2\Lambda_{m(i)} c_{0,2(i)} l_i \sin \beta_i, \\ P_{200(i)} &= \Lambda_{m(i)} \left( \frac{\cos \beta_i}{r'_{mi}} - c_{2,0(i)} \right) \sin \beta_i, \\ P_{020(i)} &= -\Lambda_{m(i)} c_{0,2(i)} \sin \beta_i, & T_{101(i)} &= \Lambda_{s(i)} \Lambda'_{l(i)} \sin \beta_i, \\ T_{010(i)} &= \Lambda_{s(i)}, & T_{110(i)} &= \frac{\Lambda_{s(i)} \sin \beta_i}{r'_{si}}, \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

with  $\Lambda_{m(i)} = 1 - r'_0/r'_{m(i)}$ ,  $\Lambda_{s(i)} = 1 - r'_0/r'_{s(i)}$ ,  $\Lambda'_{l(i)} = 1 + l_i/r'_{s(i)}$ ; in addition,  $r'_0 = d$  in equation (15), and  $d_i$  is the distance between the  $i$ th element and the  $(i+1)$ th element.

From Fig. 2, the coordinates  $x'_i$ ,  $y'_i$  should be transformed into the coordinate system of the entrance wavefront of the

$(i+1)$ th element,  $x_{0(i+1)}y_{0(i+1)}z_{0(i+1)}$ ; the transformation relation is

$$\begin{aligned} x_{0(i+1)} &= -x'_i, \\ y_{0(i+1)} &= y'_i. \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

We then apply equation (17) to obtain the aperture-ray coordinates on the optical surface of the  $(i+1)$ th element,  $x_{i+1}$ ,  $y_{i+1}$ . Consequently, combining equations (14)–(17), the relation of the aperture-ray coordinates on the optical surface of the second-order accuracy between the  $i$ th and  $(i+1)$ th element can be obtained,

$$\begin{aligned} x_2 &= \frac{1}{A_1} x_1 + 2\phi_1 u_1 y_1 + \frac{\phi_2}{A_1} x_1^2 + \phi_3 y_1^2, \\ y_2 &= -\frac{1}{B_1} y_1 + \phi_4 u_1 x_1 + \frac{\phi_5}{r'_{s1}} x_1 y_1, \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

where

$$\phi_1 = c_{0,2(2)} l_2 \tan \alpha_2 - \frac{c_{0,2(1)} l_1 \tan \beta_1}{A_1}, \quad (19)$$

$$\phi_2 = \frac{c_{2,0(2)} \tan \alpha_2}{A_1} - c_{2,0(1)} \tan \beta_1 + \frac{\sin(\beta_1 - \alpha_2)}{r'_{m1} \cos \alpha_2}, \quad (20)$$

$$\phi_3 = \frac{c_{0,2(2)} \tan \alpha_2}{B_1^2} - \frac{c_{0,2(1)} \tan \beta_1}{A_1}, \quad (21)$$

$$\phi_4 = -\left( \frac{\sin \beta_1}{B_1} \Lambda'_{s(1)} + \frac{B_1 \sin \alpha_2}{A_1} \Lambda_{s(2)} \right), \quad (22)$$

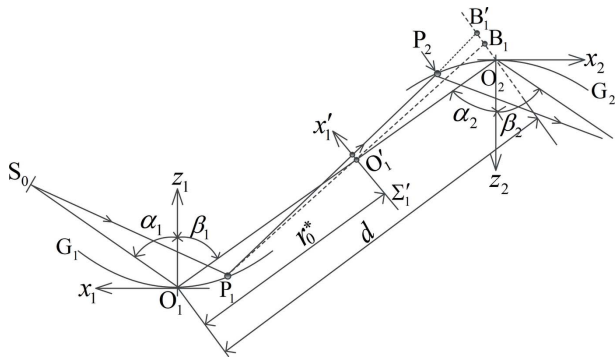
$$\phi_5 = \frac{\sin \alpha_2}{A_1} - \frac{\sin \beta_1}{B_1}. \quad (23)$$

## 4.2. Extrinsic aberrations

The definition of the intrinsic wave aberration is based on a model of a single optical surface with the assumption of an ideal point object. However, for a multi-element optical system, the assumption of an ideal point object, to some optical surface of the optical system (except the first one), is no longer valid because of the effect of aberrations of its preceding ones. Taking this into account, the resultant change of aberration is regarded as extrinsic aberrations. Therefore, the actual total aberration of the optical systems comprises intrinsic aberrations and extrinsic aberrations (Sasian & Acosta, 2014; Sasian, 2013; Lu & Cao, 2017).

Fig. 3 shows an optical system of two optical surfaces  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ ;  $x'_1 O'_1 y'_1$  is the coordinate system of image plane  $\Sigma'_1$  at a distance  $r_0^*$  from optical surface  $G_1$ . The coordinates of  $B_1$  are determined by the second-order accuracy of the aperture-ray coordinates, and those of  $B'_1$  also include the effect of the extrinsic aberration.

According to the third-order aberration calculation expressions of a plane-symmetric optical system, the aberrations on the image plane positioned at  $G_2$  (*i.e.* in the case of  $r_0^* = d$  in Fig. 3) are calculated by



**Figure 3**  
Optical system of two optical surfaces  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ .  $B_1$  and  $B'_1$  represent the aperture-ray coordinates on  $G_2$  with and without the extrinsic aberration, respectively.

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta x'_1 &= \frac{3dw_{300(1)}x_1^2}{\cos\beta_1} + \frac{dw_{120(1)}y_1^2}{\cos\beta_1} + \frac{dw_{111(1)}u_1y_1}{\cos\beta_1} - \frac{dw_{102(1)}u_1^2}{\cos\beta_1}, \\ \Delta y'_1 &= dw_{111(1)}u_1x_1 + 2dw_{120(1)}x_1y_1. \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

Therefore, the aberrations will cause the aperture-ray coordinates on the optical surface of  $G_2$  to change by the amount

$$\Delta x_2 = -\frac{\Delta x'_1}{\cos\alpha_2}, \quad \Delta y_2 = \Delta y'_1. \quad (25)$$

### 4.3. Modification of aberrations of a double-element optical system with the second-order accuracy of the aperture ray and extrinsic aberrations

According to the above discussions, the actual aperture-ray coordinates on the optical surface of  $G_2$  should be

$$\begin{aligned} X_2 &= x_2 + \Delta x_2 \\ &= \frac{1}{A_1}x_1 + \left(2\phi_1 - \frac{dw_{111(1)}}{\cos\beta_1\cos\alpha_2}\right)y_1u_1 \\ &\quad + \left(\frac{\phi_2}{A_1} - \frac{3dw_{300(1)}}{\cos\beta_1\cos\alpha_2}\right)x_1^2 + \left(\phi_3 - \frac{dw_{120(1)}}{\cos\beta_1\cos\alpha_2}\right)y_1^2 \\ &\quad - \frac{dw_{102(1)}}{\cos\beta_1\cos\alpha_2}u_1^2, \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

$$\begin{aligned} Y_2 &= y_2 + \Delta y_2 \\ &= -\frac{1}{B_1}y_1 + (\phi_4 + dw_{111(1)})x_1u_1 + \left(\frac{\phi_5}{r'_{s1}} + 2dw_{120(1)}\right)x_1y_1. \end{aligned}$$

Obviously, the first term of the right-hand side of equation (26) represents the linear approximation of the aperture-ray coordinates.

Therefore, the actual wave aberration of a double-element optical system is given by

$$W_T = W_{(1)} + W_{(2)}, \quad (27)$$

where the calculation expressions of  $W_{(1)}$  and  $W_{(2)}$  are

$$\begin{aligned} W_{(1)} &= \sum_{ijk}^4 w_{ijk(1)} x_1 y_1 u_1, \\ W_{(2)} &= \sum_{ijk}^4 w_{ijk(2)} X_2 Y_2 u_2. \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

In Section 3, the aberration expressions of equation (12) use  $x_2, y_2, u_2$  as the aperture-ray coordinates and the field angle. Therefore, the contribution of aberrations caused by the wave aberrations of  $G_1$  should use  $x_2, y_2, u_2$  to calculate; and, according to equation (26), the actual aperture-ray coordinates and the field angle of the aberrations calculation of  $G_2$  should adopt  $X_2, Y_2, u_2$ .

According to the above discussions, expressions of the actual aberration coefficients can be obtained. For the convenience of the aberration calculation, the calculation of the aperture-ray coordinates of the aberrations in the case of the linear approximation uses  $x_2, y_2, u_2$ ; in the remaining cases,  $x_1, y_1, u_1$  are used to calculate the aberration. Therefore, they are given by

$$\begin{aligned} x'_2 &= \sum_{ijk}^4 (d_{ijk} x_2^i y_2^j u_2^k + \tilde{d}_{ijk} x_1^i y_1^j u_1^k), \\ y'_2 &= \sum_{ijk}^4 (h_{ijk} x_2^i y_2^j u_2^k + \tilde{h}_{ijk} x_1^i y_1^j u_1^k), \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

where the first parts of the right-hand sides of each equation,  $d_{ijk}$  and  $h_{ijk}$ , are just the aberrations coefficients obtained with the linear approximation of the aperture ray; the second parts result from the total of the modification coefficients of the aberrations due to the second-order accuracy of the aperture-ray coordinates, and the extrinsic aberrations coefficients,  $\tilde{d}_{ijk}$  and  $\tilde{h}_{ijk}$ , are given in the supporting information.

## 5. Numerical validation

To validate the aberration formulae derived above, we now apply them to calculate the imaging of two design examples of an XUV optical system and compare them with the ray-tracing results from the *SHADOW* software. Optical system I is the Tondello's spectrograph: a spherical-grating monochromator with a pre-focusing toroidal mirror, as shown in Fig. 4. The optical system accepts from the source a light beam with a diverging angle of  $2\theta_v \times 2\theta_h = 10 \text{ mrad} \times 20 \text{ mrad}$ ; the monochromator uses a conventional spherical grating with a groove density of  $N = 600 \text{ grooves mm}^{-1}$ , and works in a +1 diffraction order at a wavelength of 4.4 nm. Its other optical parameters are listed in Table 1.

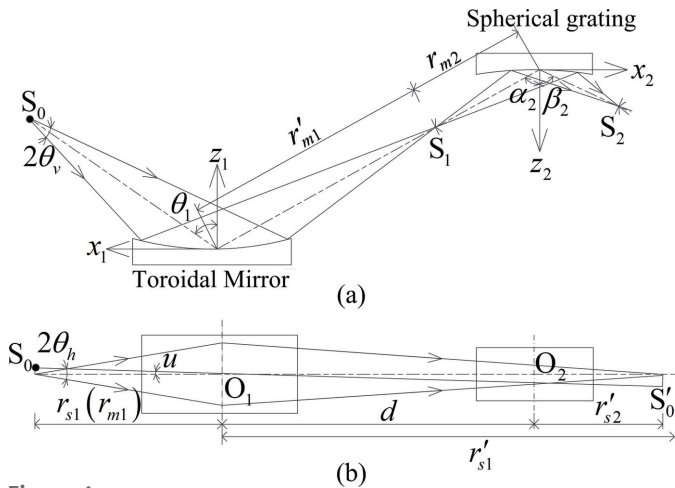
Optical system II is a modified design of optical system I. The optical parameters to be modified are the major and minor curvature radius of the toroidal mirror,  $R_1 = 4300 \text{ cm}$ ,  $\rho_1 = 25 \text{ cm}$ ; and its other optical parameters are consistent with that of optical system I. Using these optical parameters, we can obtain  $r'_{m2} = 119.35 \text{ cm}$ ,  $r'_{s2} = 79.81 \text{ cm}$ .

Fig. 5 shows ray spot diagrams of optical system I with an image distance of  $r'_0 = 150 \text{ cm}$ : parts (a) show the calculation



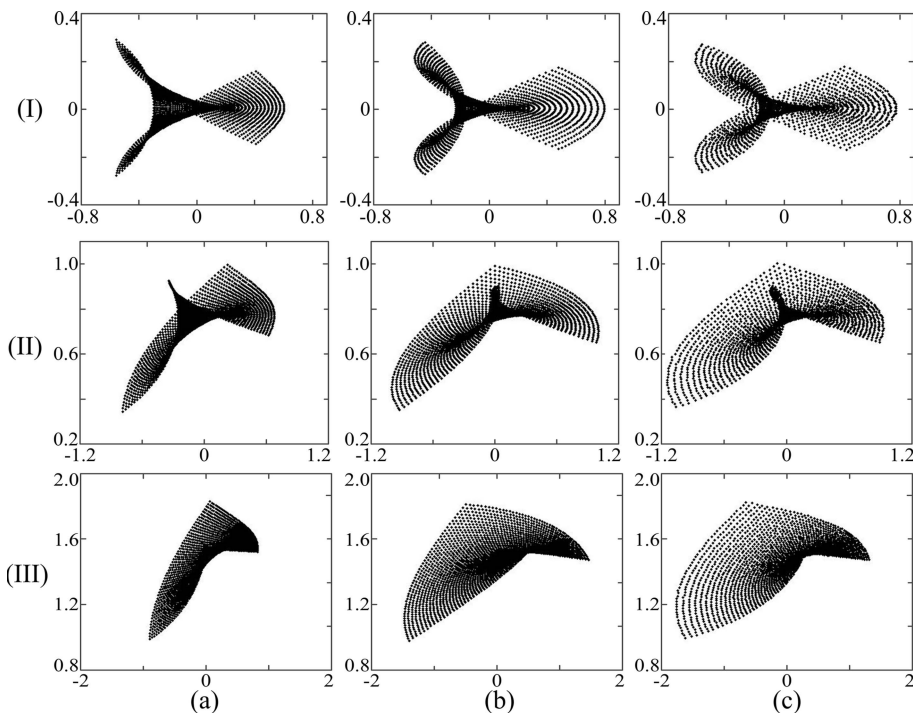
**Table 1**  
Optical parameters of optical system I [units: cm (unless otherwise stated)].

$r_{m1}$ ( $r_{s1}$ )	$\theta_1$	$R_1$	$\rho_1$	$d$	$R_2$	$\alpha_2$	$\beta_2$	$r'_{m2}$	$r'_{s2}$
358.39	86°	4151.33	27	277.84	1000	-88°	85.38°	80.55	140.56



**Figure 4**  
Optical scheme of optical system I.

results using the aberration coefficients of the first term of equation (29),  $d_{ijk}$ ,  $h_{ijk}$ ; parts (b) use the total aberration coefficients of equation (29),  $\tilde{d}_{ijk}$ ,  $\tilde{h}_{ijk}$  and  $\tilde{h}_{ijk}$ ; and parts (c) show the ray-tracing results from *SHADOW*. In the spot diagrams (I), (II) and (III), point sources with field angles of  $u_1 = 0^\circ, 0.1^\circ$  and  $0.2^\circ$ , respectively, are assumed.



**Figure 5**  
Ray spot diagrams for an optical system with an image distance of  $r'_0 = 150$  cm (axis units: cm). Ray spot diagram (a) is obtained with the aberration coefficients  $d_{ijk}$ ,  $h_{ijk}$ ; (b) with  $d_{ijk}$  and  $\tilde{d}_{ijk}$ ,  $h_{ijk}$  and  $\tilde{h}_{ijk}$ ; and (c) with ray-tracing program *SHADOW*. (I), (II) and (III) are for point sources with field angles of  $u_1 = 0^\circ, 0.1^\circ$  and  $0.2^\circ$ , respectively.

Fig. 6 shows the ray spot diagrams of optical system II. Ray spot diagrams (a), (b) and (c) are obtained in the same way as in (a), (b) and (c) of Fig. 5. Here, (I) is for a point source with a field angle of  $u_1 = 0^\circ$  and an image distance of  $r'_0 = 119.35$  cm; (II) and (III) are for point sources with field angles of  $u_1 = 0.1^\circ$  and  $u_1 = 0.2^\circ$  and an image distance  $r'_0 = 200$  cm.

As shown in Figs. 5 and 6, the results of aberrations obtained with  $d_{ijk}$ ,  $h_{ijk}$  are unacceptable, but the aberration calculation accuracy obtained with  $\tilde{d}_{ijk}$  and  $\tilde{h}_{ijk}$  are satisfactory compared with the ray-tracing results. The difference is yielded by the contribution of the high-order aberrations and high-order coordinate components in the transfer of the aperture ray; but, for a source of dimension  $\sim 1$  mm, like a synchrotron radiation light source or laser, the contribution of the high-order aberrations and the effect of aberrations due to the high-order coordinate components in the transfer of the aperture ray can be negligible; and thus the aberration expressions derived in this paper have a satisfactory calculation accuracy.

## 6. Conclusions

In this paper we propose a calculation method of the effect on the aberrations due to the second-order accuracy of aperture-ray coordinates and the extrinsic aberrations based on the third-order aberration theory of plane-symmetric optical systems, and derive their calculation expressions.

The resultant aberration formulae are applied to calculate the imaging of two design examples of XUV optical systems to compare their results with those obtained from the ray-tracing program *SHADOW*, and they have a satisfactory calculation accuracy.

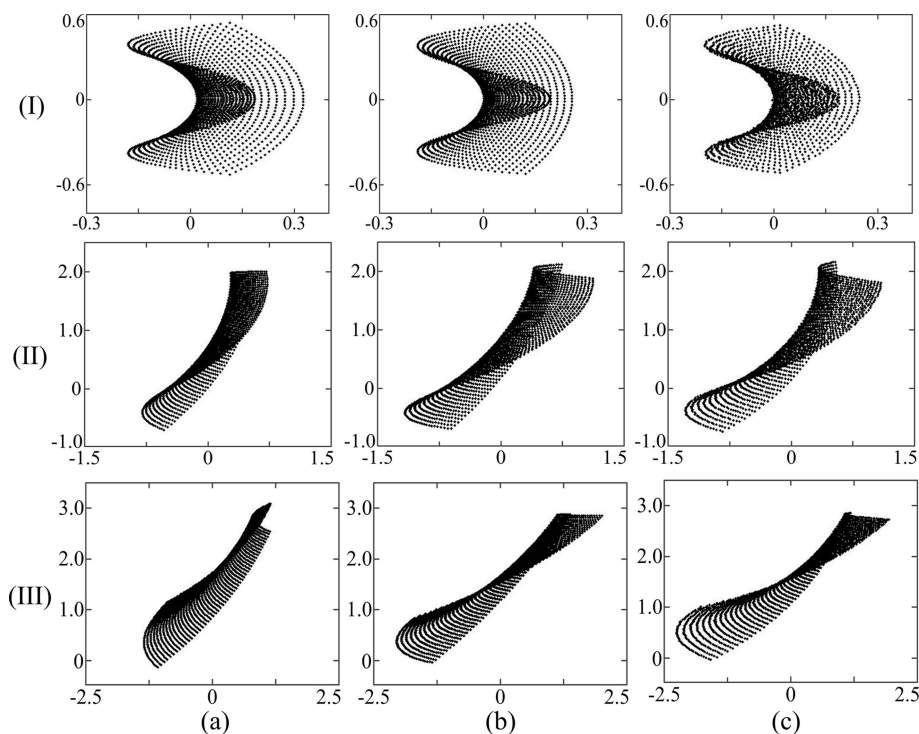
Compared with the *SHADOW* software, the method proposed in this paper can analyze the contribution of different types of aberrations, the relationship between the optical parameters and the aberrations, etc. Therefore, it will provide an analytical measure and will be helpful in the design and optimization of XUV multi-element optical systems.

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**Figure 6** Ray spot diagrams for optical system II. Ray spot diagrams (a), (b) and (c) are obtained in the same way as (a), (b) and (c) of Fig. 5; (I) is for the point source with field angle of  $u_1 = 0^\circ$  and image distance of  $r'_0 = 119.35$  cm; (II) and (III) are for point sources with field angles of  $u_1 = 0.1^\circ$ ,  $u_1 = 0.2^\circ$  and image distance  $r'_0 = 200$  cm, respectively.

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