



Mirror Reflectivity Measurements at Small Mirror Test Stand

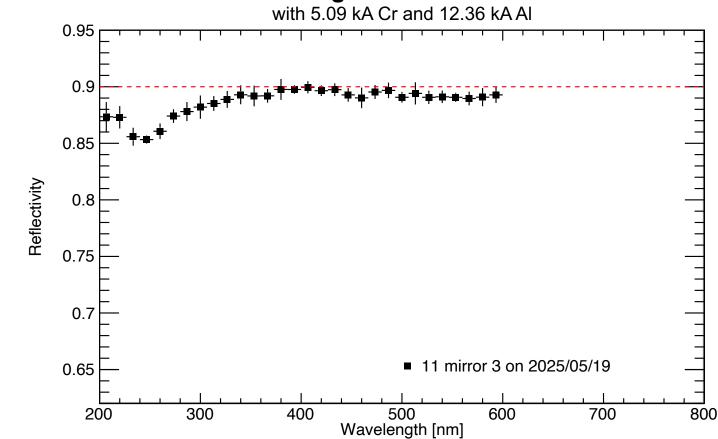
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Overview

- Performed direct light measurement.
- Continued to take small mirror reflectivity measurements.
 - Coating batch 11: mirror 3, aka reference mirror (cross-check)
 - Coating batch 55: 6 mirrors (new)
 - Add SiO₂ protection layer
 - Coating batch 56: 5 mirrors of 6 (new)
- Checked the beam spot image
 - Verified whether any saturated pixels were present
- Attempted to clean the camera to publication standards
 - but, the result was not ideal.



Coating Batch 11 mirror 3



The reflectivity of Coating Batch 11, Mirror 3, is used as the reference.



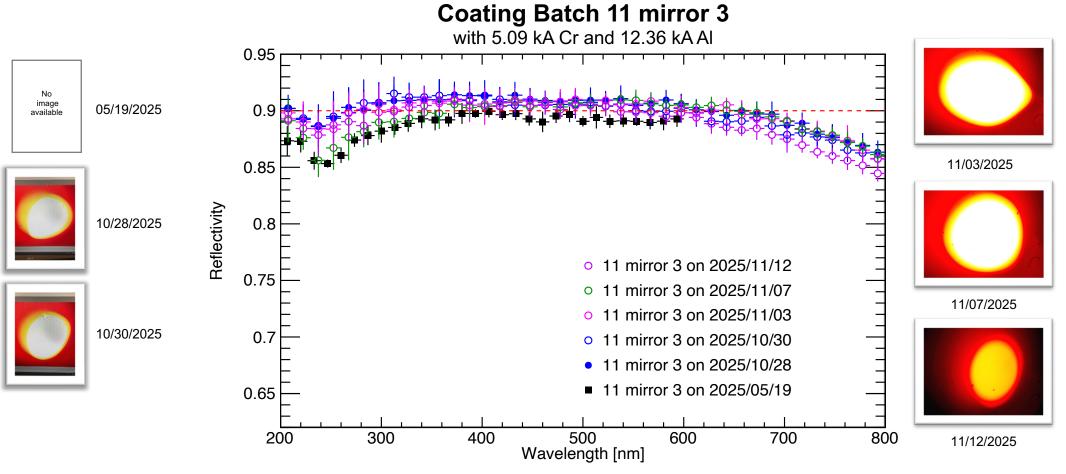
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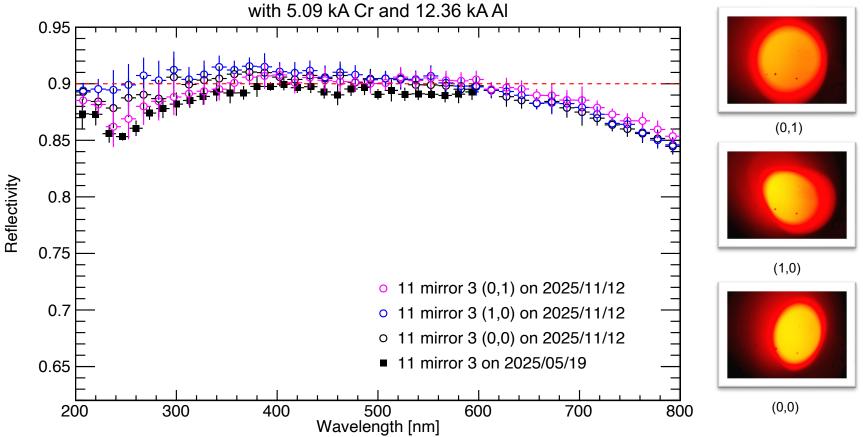
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Re-measured the reflectivity of Coating Batch 11, Mirror 3 since new lamp was installed. Shown beam spot image with short exposure time and new measurements are consistent.





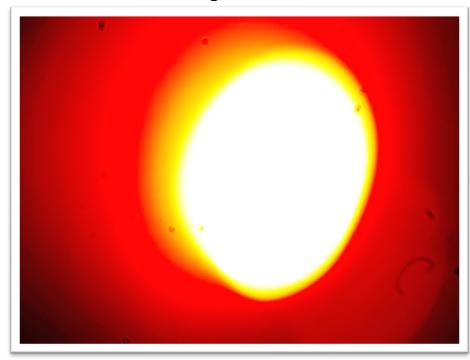


Scanned a small area of Coating Batch 11, Mirror 3, which is known to have surface distortions. Images differ in shape and brightness: These variations impact reflectivity results, particularly at low wavelengths.



Beam Spot Profile w/ Coating Batch 11 3





Laser spot

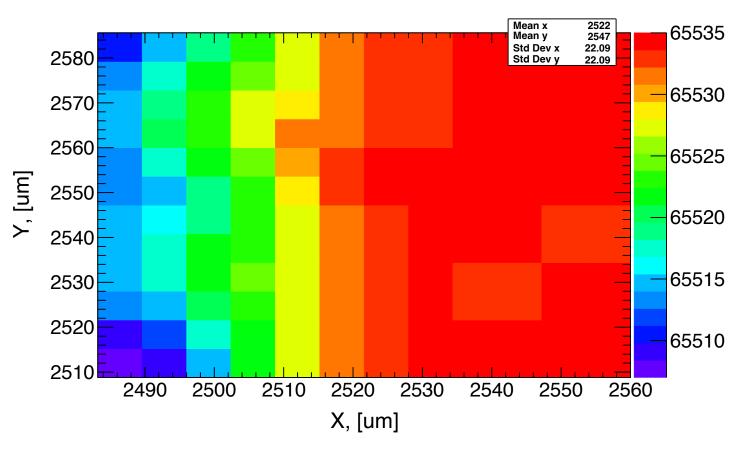
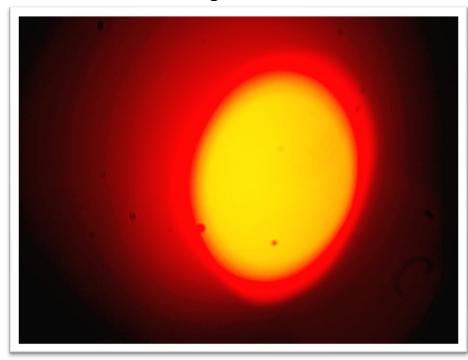


Image shown with original exposure settings and it contains saturated pixels (maximum 16-bit value: 65,535)



Beam Spot Profile w/ Coating Batch 11 3

Coating Batch 11 3



Laser spot

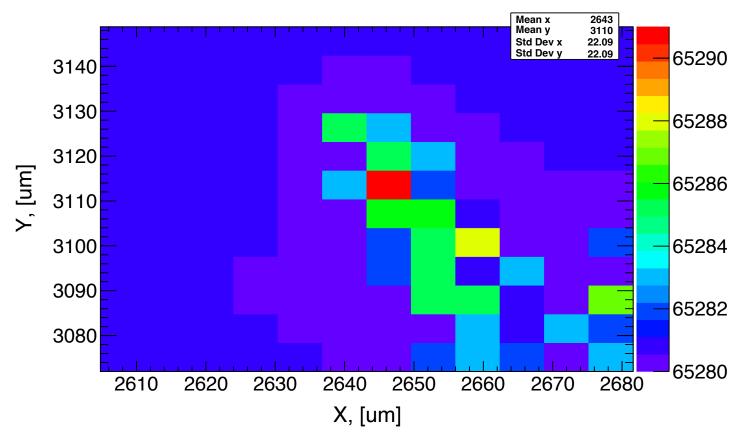
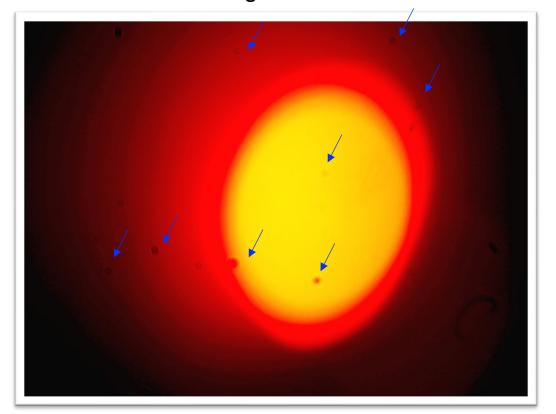


Image shown with reduced exposure time, and no saturated pixels present (all values below the 16-bit maximum of 65,535)

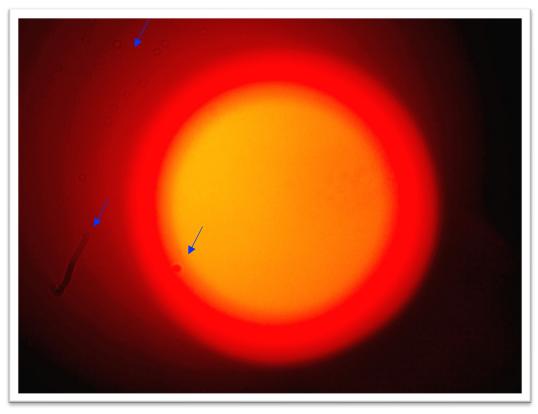


Beam Spot Image

Coating Batch 11 3



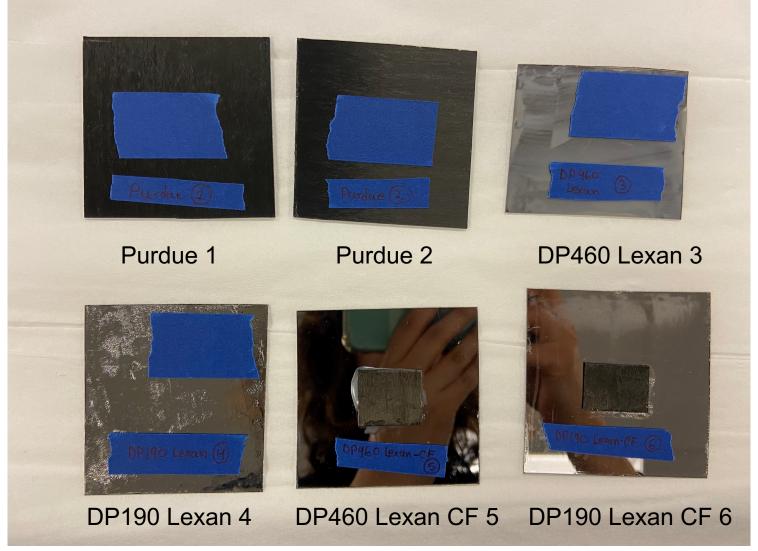
Coating Batch 55 Purdue 1



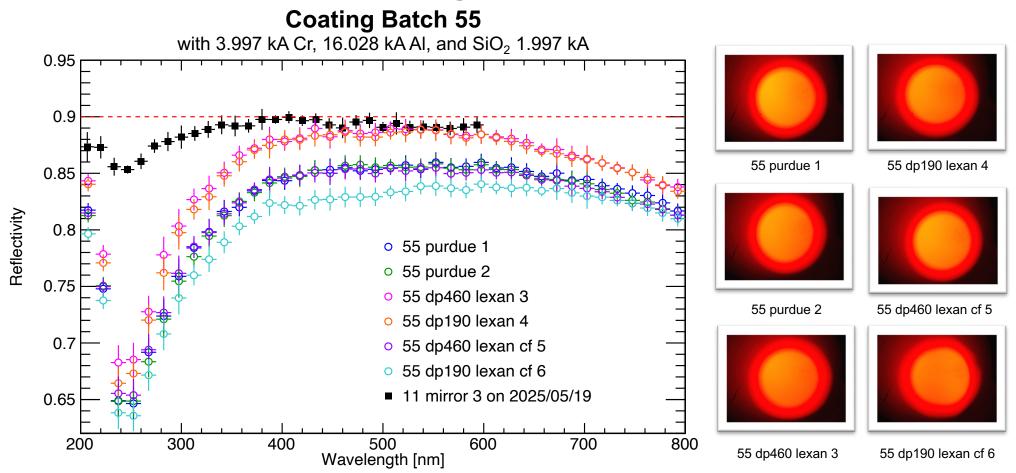
Attempted to clean the camera to publication standards, but the result was not ideal. Need lint-free materials (clothes/tissues) to avoid leaving fibers. (thanks to Alexander)



Coating Batch #55 Mirror Samples





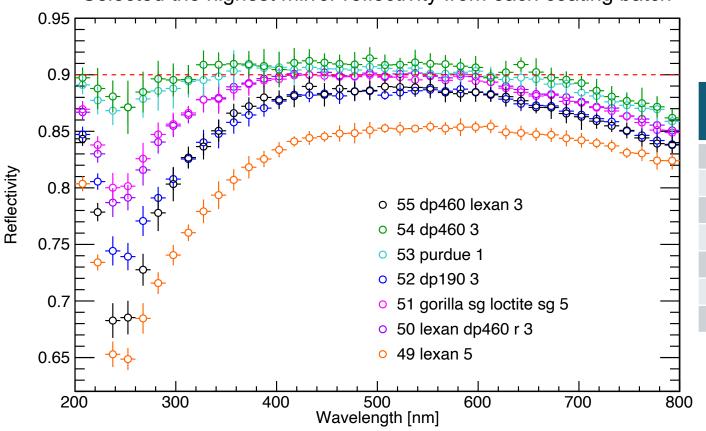


Coating Batch 55 mirrors show mixed reflectivity results — lexan substrate shows the best, while others are lower (Lexan-CF and purdue substrate).



Mirror Coating Summary So Far

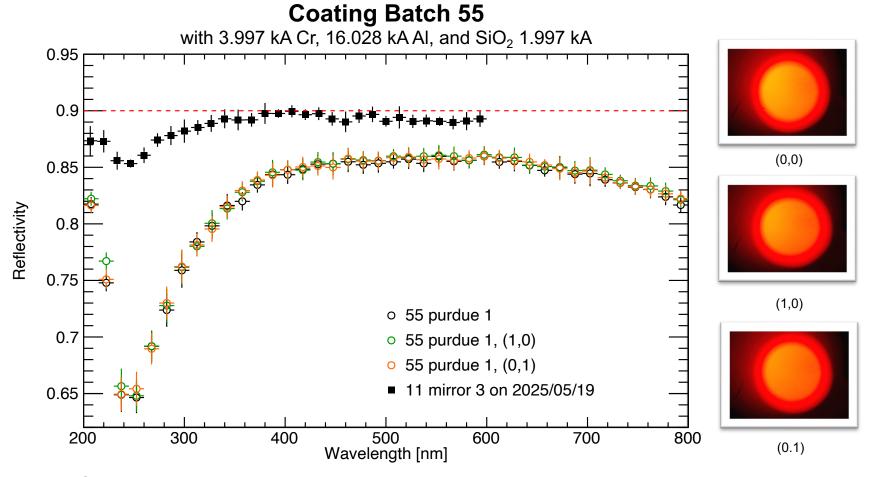
Selected the highest mirror reflectivity from each coating batch



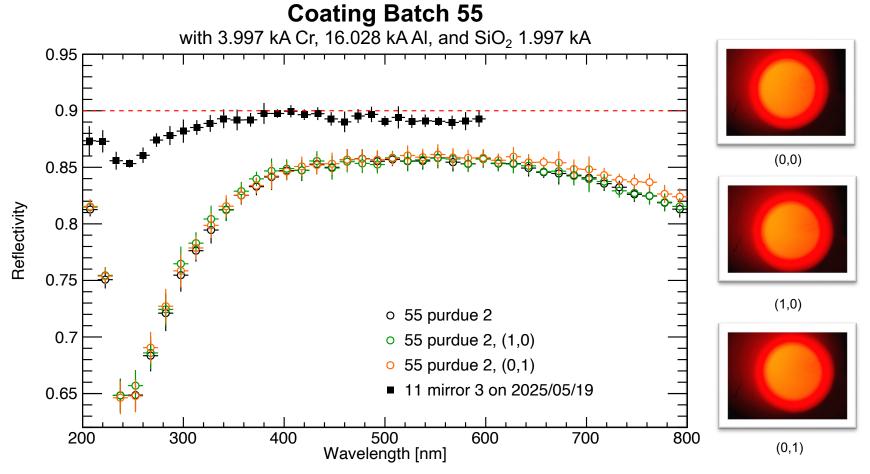
| Coating Batch | Coating Total Thickness Cr [kA] Al [kA] SiO ₂ [kA] | | |
|------------------|--|--------|-------|
| 55 | 3.997 | 16.028 | 1.997 |
| 54 | 4.01 | 16.00 | 0 |
| 53 | 5.04 | 20.22 | 0 |
| 52 | 5.75 | 23 | 0 |
| 51 | 5.29 | 21 | 0 |
| 50 | 5.51 | 22.02 | 0 |
| 49 | 6.01 | 23.99 | 0 |

Adding a SiO₂ protection layer (while keeping Cr and Al thickness unchanged from Batch 54) reduces overall reflectivity by ~2-3%. This reduction is particularly significant at low wavelengths.

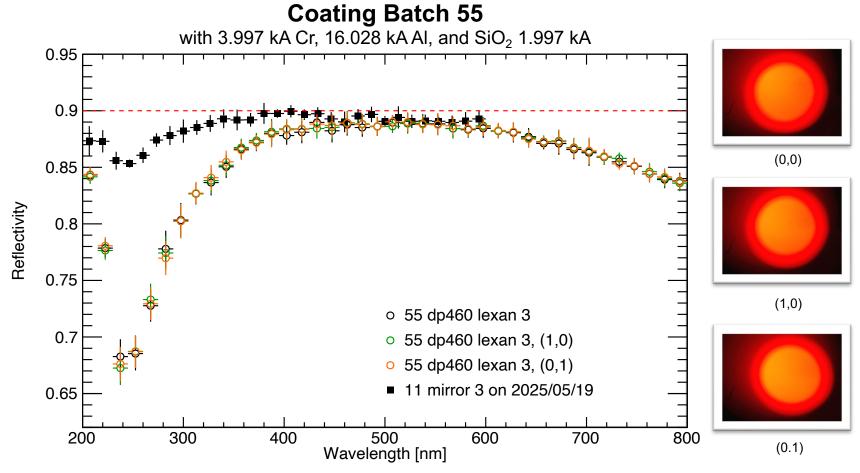




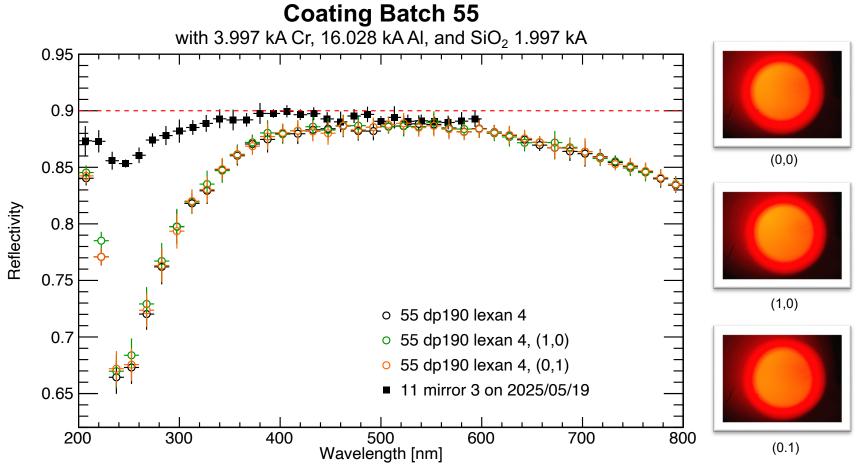






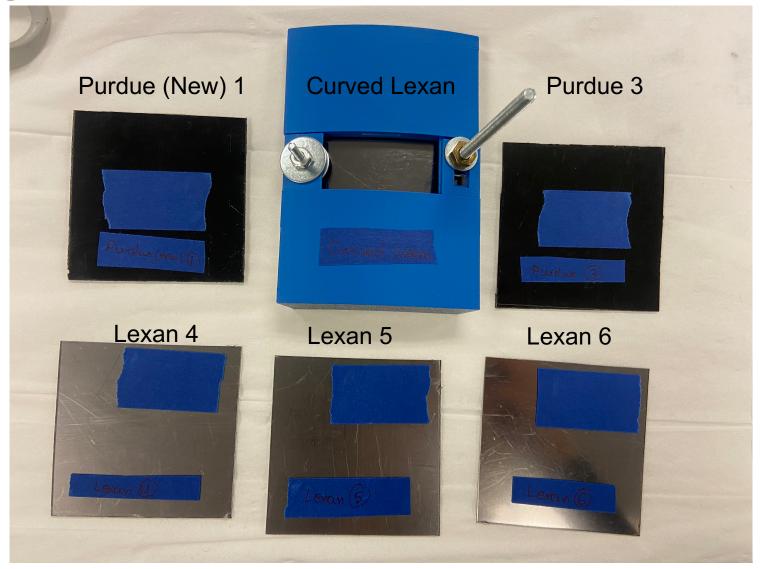






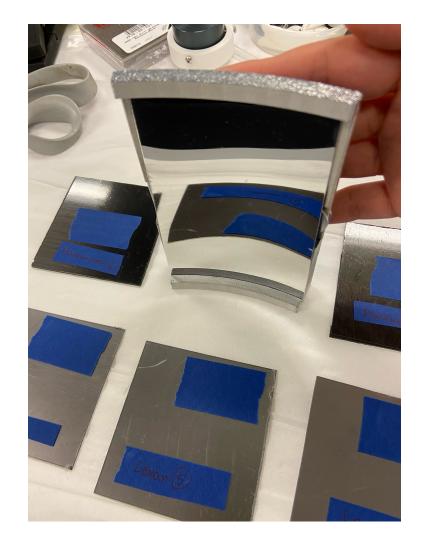


Coating Batch #56 Mirror Samples





Coating Batch #56 Mirror Samples



Curved small mirror sample

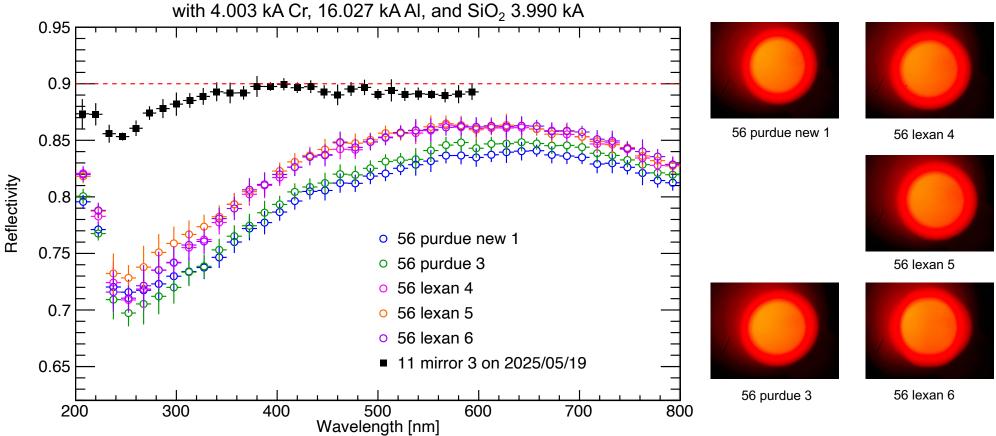
Haven't tested it yet

We need new mirror holder for this sample

Maybe at small mirror test stand or large mirror test stand



Coating Batch 56

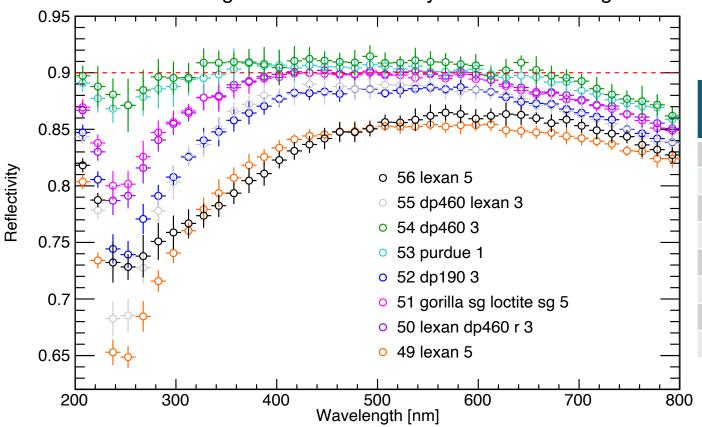


Coating Batch 56 mirrors show mixed reflectivity results — lexan substrate shows the best, while others are lower (purdue substrate). Overall, low reflectivity.



Mirror Coating Summary So Far

Selected the highest mirror reflectivity from each coating batch



| Coating Batch | | ng Total Thic Al [kA] | |
|------------------|-------|--------------------------|-------|
| 56 | 4.003 | 16.027 | 3.990 |
| 55 | 3.997 | 16.028 | 1.997 |
| 54 | 4.01 | 16.00 | 0 |
| 53 | 5.04 | 20.22 | 0 |
| 52 | 5.75 | 23 | 0 |
| 51 | 5.29 | 21 | 0 |
| 50 | 5.51 | 22.02 | 0 |
| 49 | 6.01 | 23.99 | 0 |

Adding thinker SiO₂ protection layer (while keeping Cr and Al thickness unchanged from Batch 54 and 55) reduces overall reflectivity. Batch #56 is a test ground for upper limit of SiO₂.



Summary

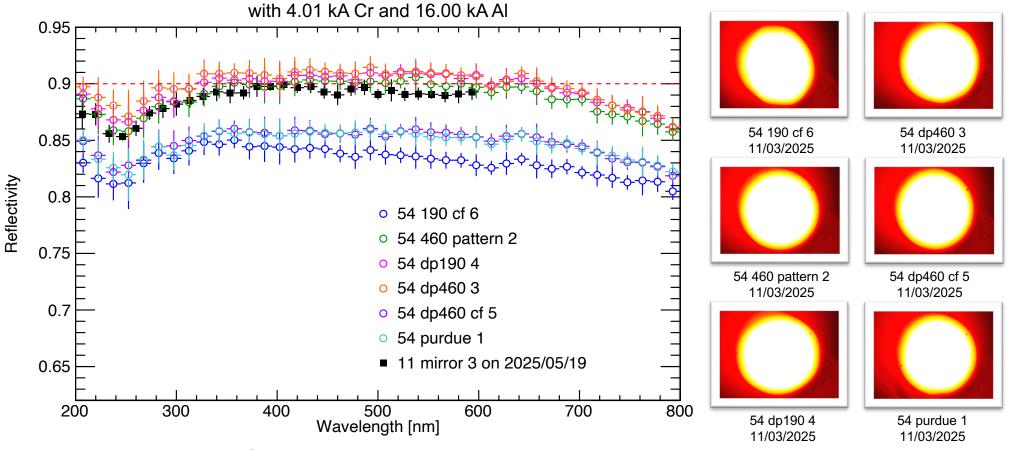
- New Batch 55 mirror reflectivity measurements were performed.
 - Added SiO₂ protection layer; Cr and Al thicknesses unchanged from Batch 54.
 - Overall reflectivity decreased by approximately 3%, with the largest reduction observed at shorter wavelengths.
 - The Lexan substrate demonstrated the highest reflectivity, while the carbon-fiber substrate showed lower performance.
 - Measurements taken from small scanned areas of the mirror samples showed consistent reflectivity results.
 - Beam-spot images displayed a nearly uniform appearance.
- New Batch 56 mirror reflectivity measurements were performed.
 - Added SiO₂ protection layer; Cr and Al thicknesses unchanged from Batch 54.
 - Overall reflectivity decreased. This result indicates the upper limits for SiO₂.
- To-Do: design new curved small mirror holder



Backup Slides



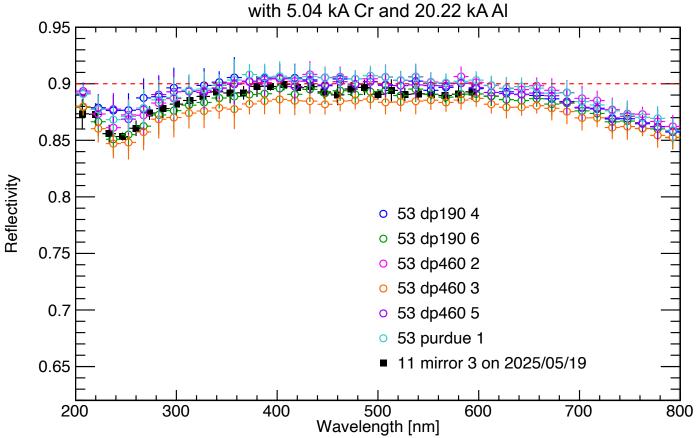




Coating Batch 54 mirrors show mixed reflectivity results — some nearly match Batch 53 or better, while others are lower (Lexan-CF and purdue substrate). Some mirrors were tightly fitted in the holder.



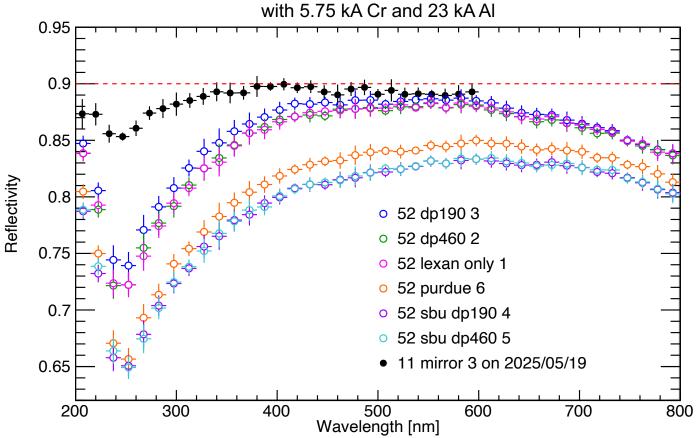
Coating Batch 53



The mirrors from Coating Batch 53 achieved approximately **90% reflectivity** across the 350 – 650 nm range. Overall, these mirrors show **improved reflectivity** compared to previous batches.



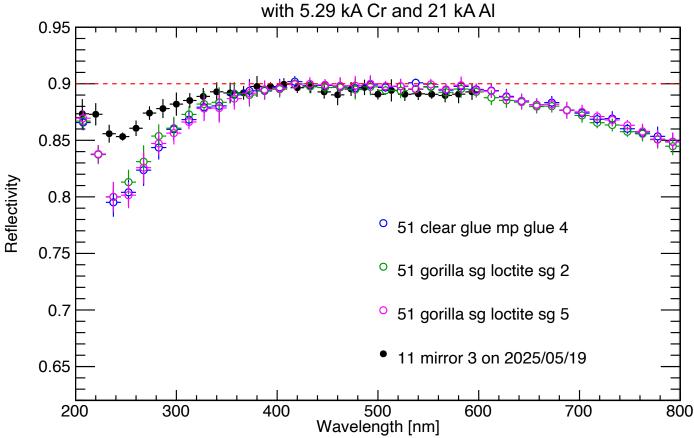
Coating Batch 52



Coating Batch 52 mirrors show mixed reflectivity results — some nearly match the reference (within 1–2%), while others are lower (82–84%). Some mirrors were tightly fitted in the holder.



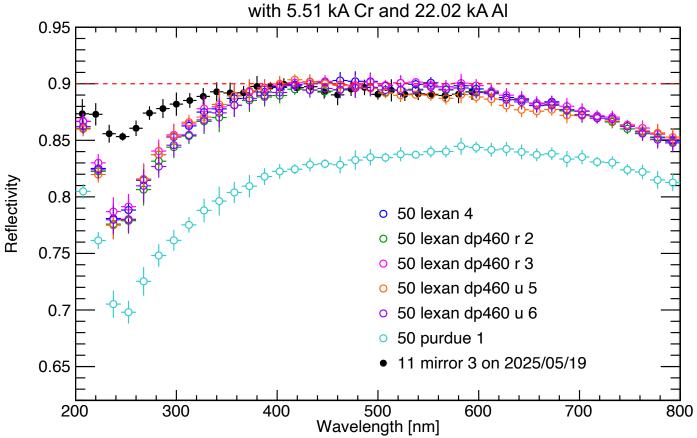
Coating Batch 51



Mirrors from Coating Batch 51 exhibit approximately 90% reflectivity in the 400–600 nm range.



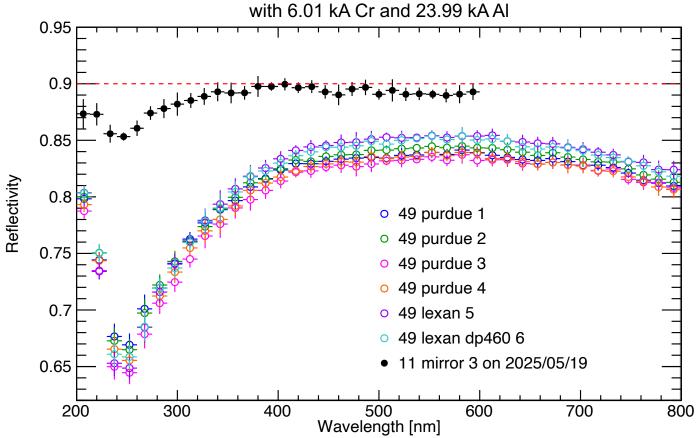
Coating Batch 50



Mirrors from Coating Batch 50 show approximately 90% reflectivity across 400–600 nm, with *Purdue 1* as an exception.



Coating Batch 49



The mirror from Coating Batch 49 reaches a maximum reflectivity of 85%.

