

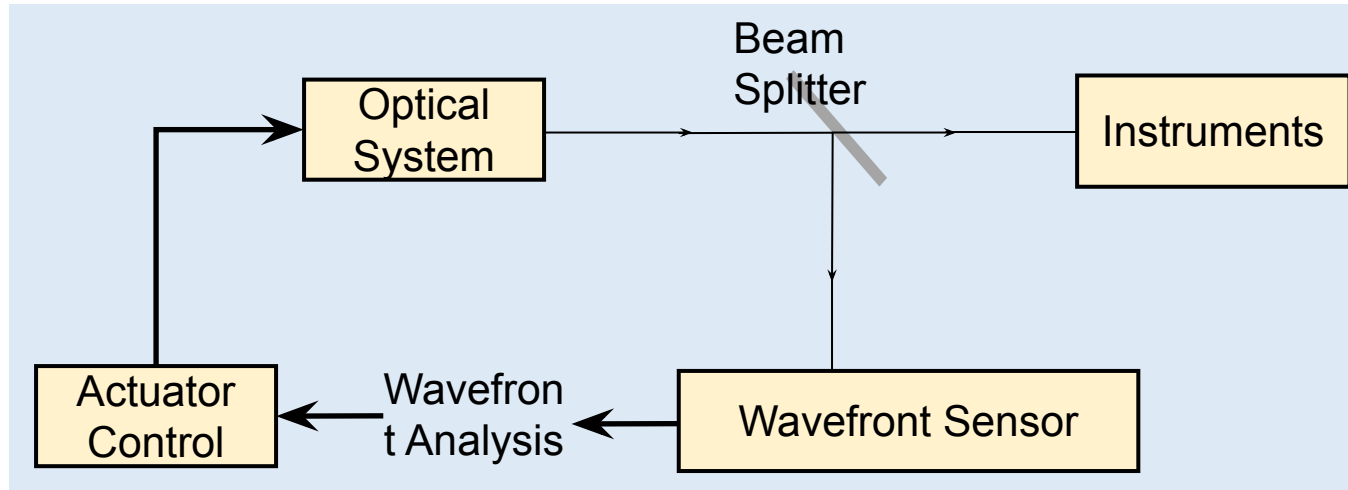
# Automated Reflective Optical System Alignment: Experiments and Analysis

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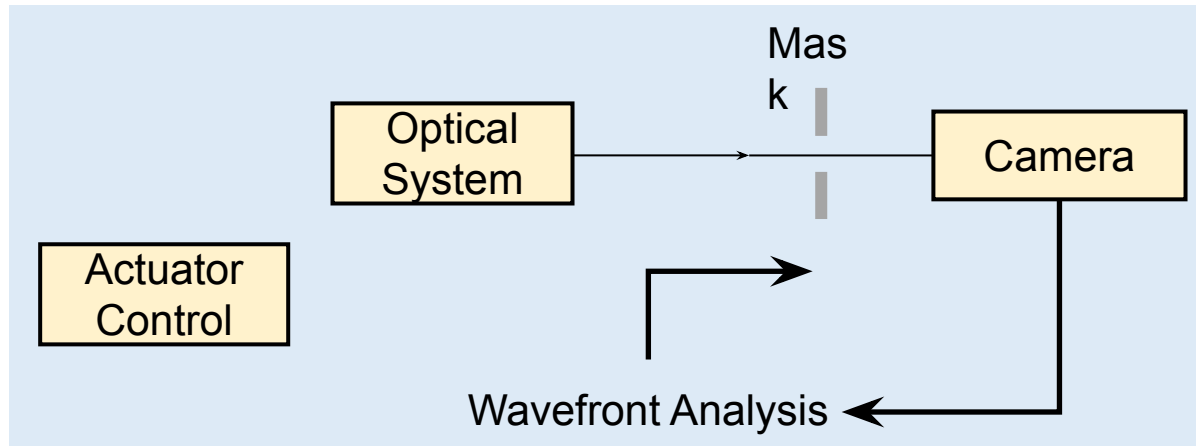
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# Background

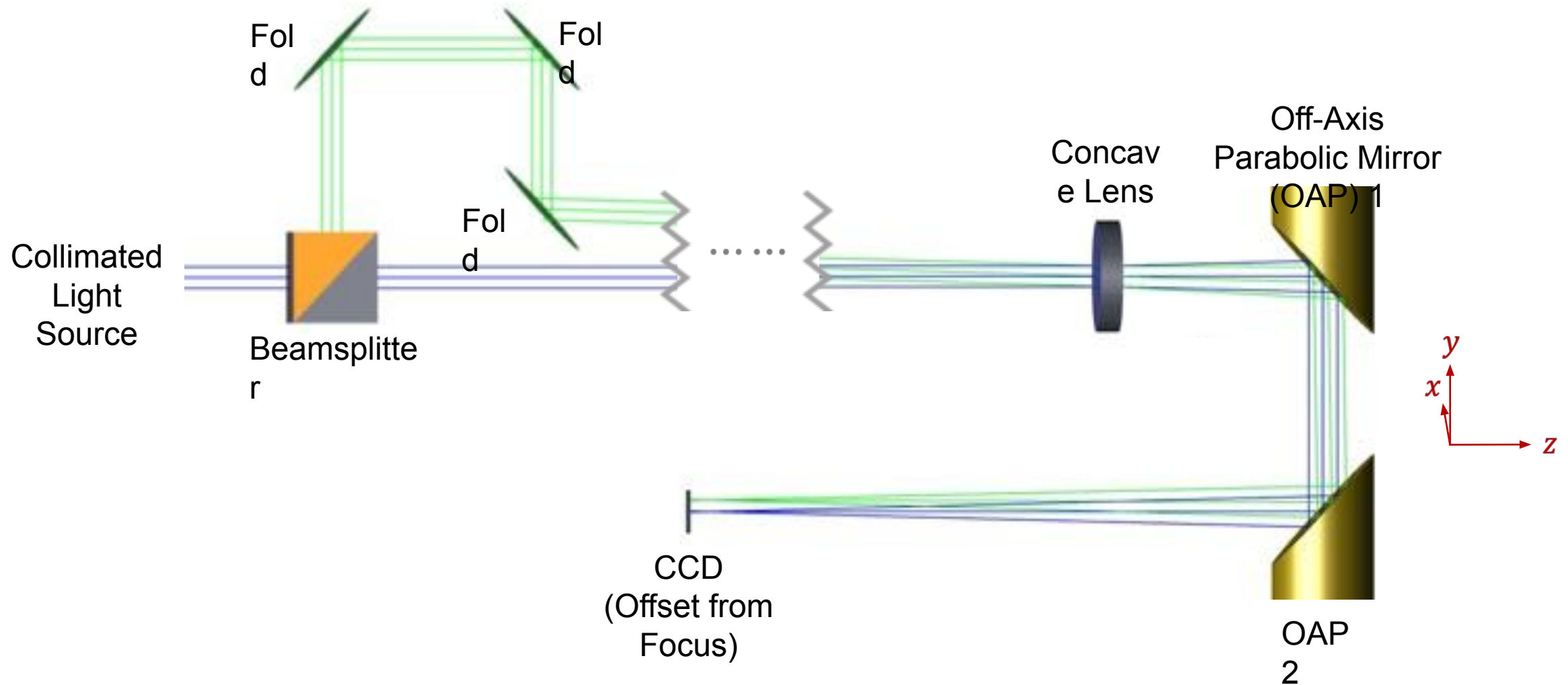


Focal plane sensing

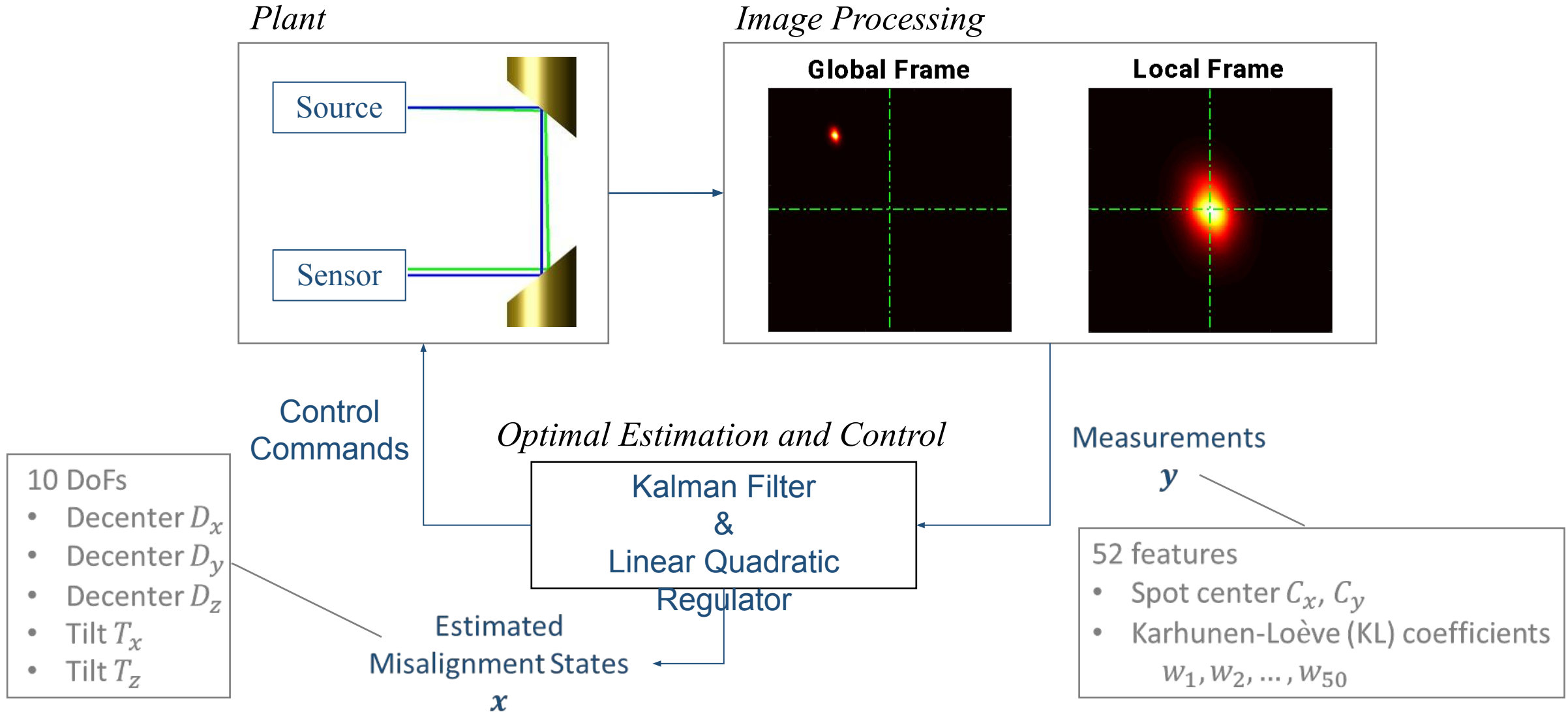


Optimal state estimation

# Optical Model



# Our Approach



# Simulation Result

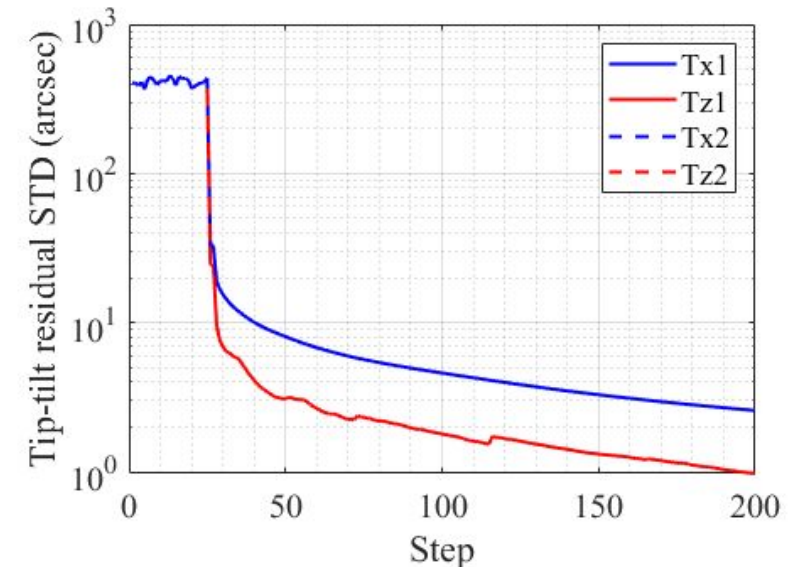
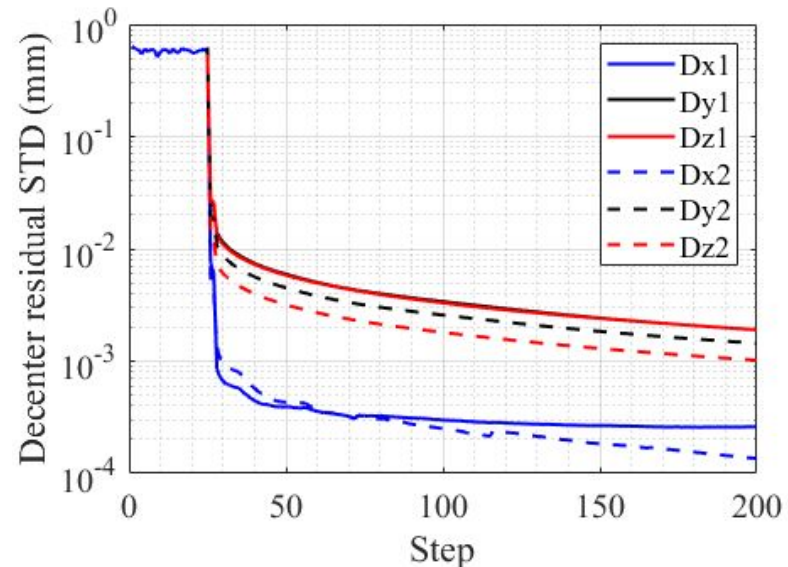
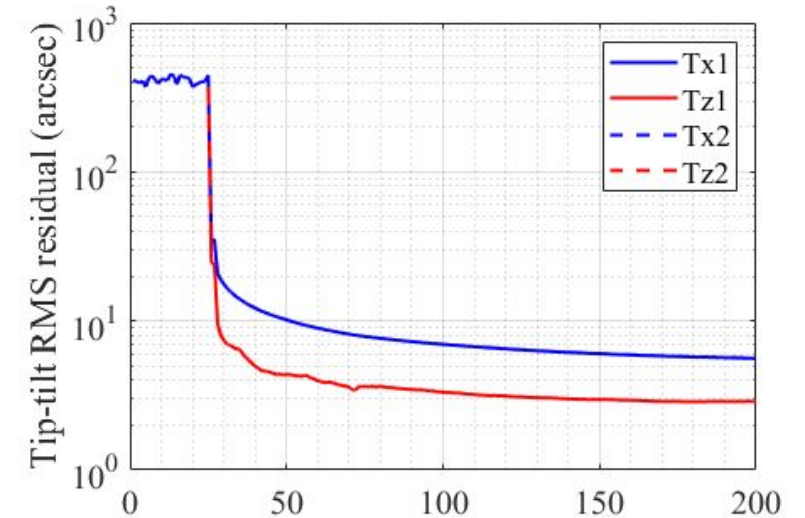
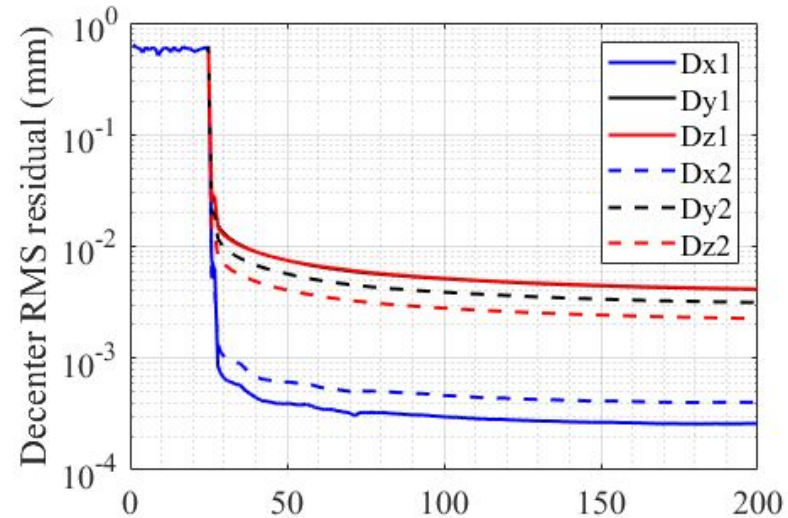
## State residual

Linear misalignments

$1\text{ mm} \rightarrow < 5\text{ }\mu\text{m}$

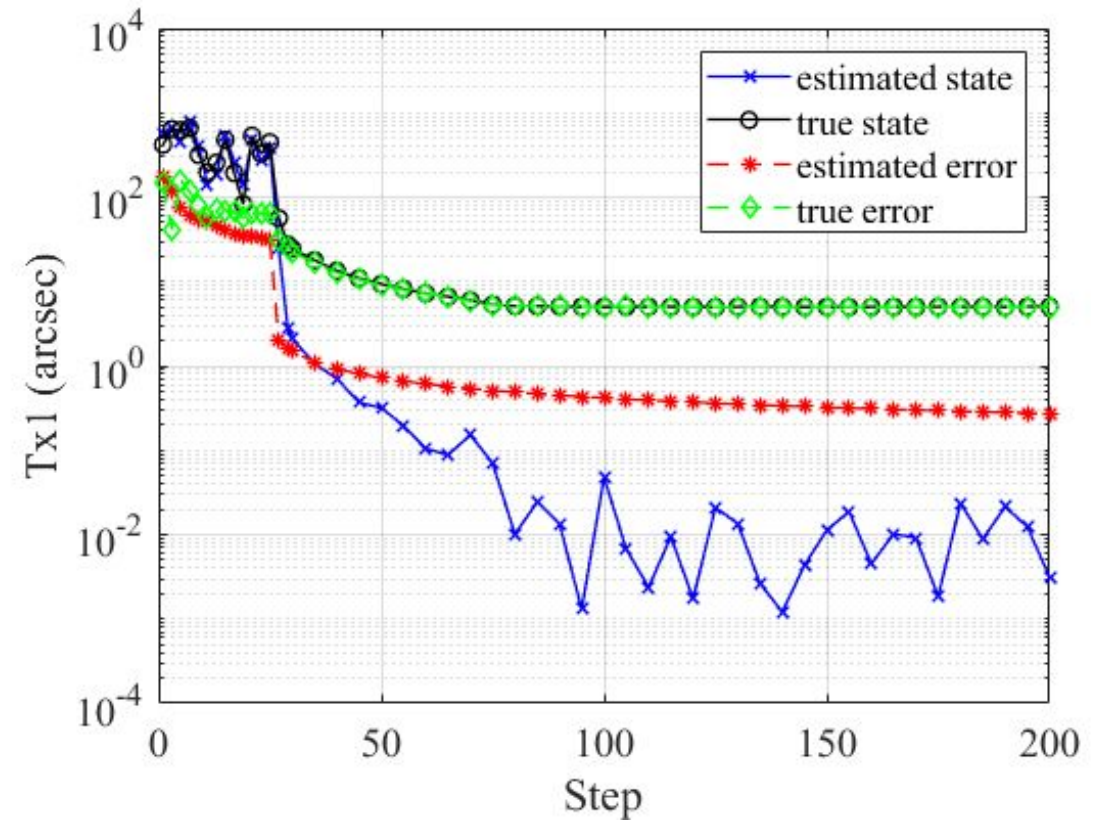
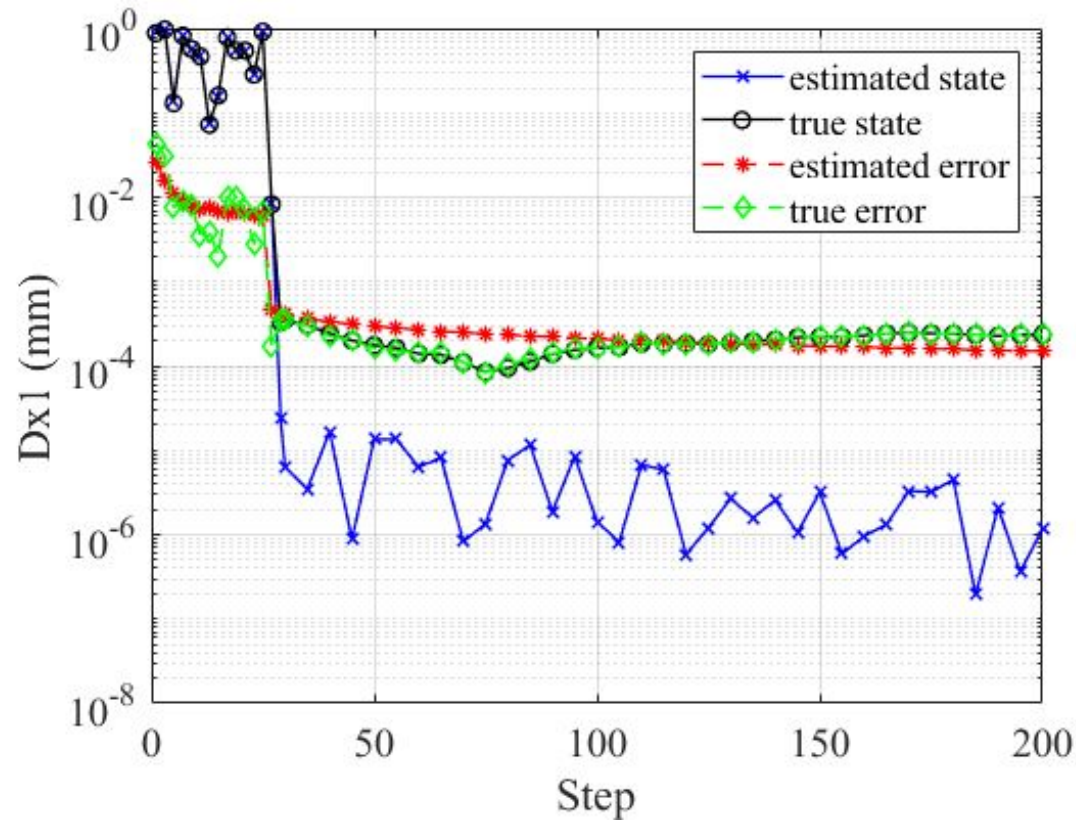
Angular misalignment

$0.2^\circ \rightarrow < 6\text{ arcsec}$



# Multi-State Coupling

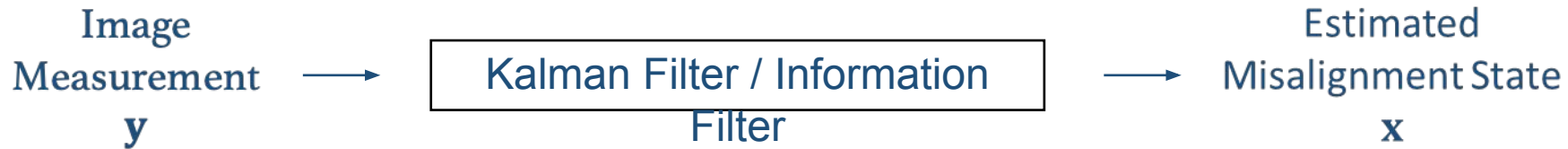
## Estimation error





# Observability Analysis

## Information filter



- **Predict**

- Predicted state:

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k-1} = \mathbf{F}_k \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k-1|k-1} + \mathbf{B}_k \mathbf{u}_k$$

- Predicted information matrix:

$$\mathbf{J}_{k|k-1} = \mathbf{Q}_k^{-1} - \mathbf{Q}_k^{-1} \mathbf{F}_k (\mathbf{J}_{k-1|k-1} + \mathbf{F}_k^T \mathbf{Q}_k^{-1} \mathbf{F}_k)^{-1} \mathbf{F}_k^T \mathbf{Q}_k^{-1}$$

- **Update**

- Updated information matrix :  $\mathbf{J}_{k|k} = \mathbf{J}_{k|k-1} + \mathbf{H}_k^T \mathbf{R}_k^{-1} \mathbf{H}_k$

- Kalman gain:  $\mathbf{K}_k = \mathbf{J}_{k|k}^{-1} \mathbf{H}_k^T \mathbf{R}_k^{-1}$

- Updated state:  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k} = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k-1} + \mathbf{K}_k (\tilde{\mathbf{y}}_k - \mathbf{H}_k \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k-1})$

Control input  $\mathbf{u}_k$

State transition matrix  $\mathbf{F}_k$

Control input matrix  $\mathbf{B}_k$

Process noise covariance  $\mathbf{Q}_k$

Measurement error covariance  $\mathbf{R}_k$

Mapping function  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x})$

Mapping Jacobian  $\mathbf{H}_k = \left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \right|_{\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k-1}}$

# Observability Analysis

## Degree of observability

- Observability matrix

$$\mathbf{O}_k = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{H}_1 \\ \mathbf{H}_2 \mathbf{F}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{F}_{k-1} \dots \mathbf{F}_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Degree of observability

$$OD_k = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_{\min}(\bar{\mathbf{O}}_k)}{\lambda_{\max}(\bar{\mathbf{O}}_k)}}$$

Scaled observability Gramian  $\bar{\mathbf{O}}_k = \mathbf{O}_k^T \mathbf{R}_k^{-1} \mathbf{O}_k$

- Eigenvector with lowest/highest observability

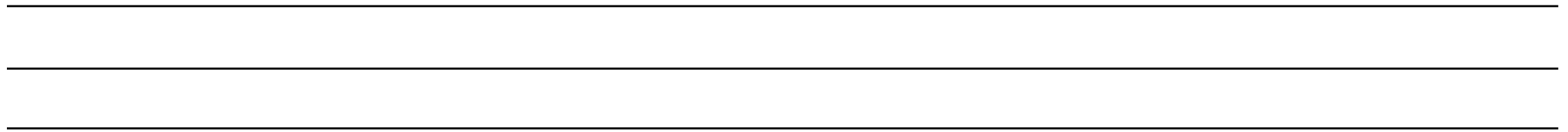
$$eig(\bar{\mathbf{O}}_k^{-1})$$



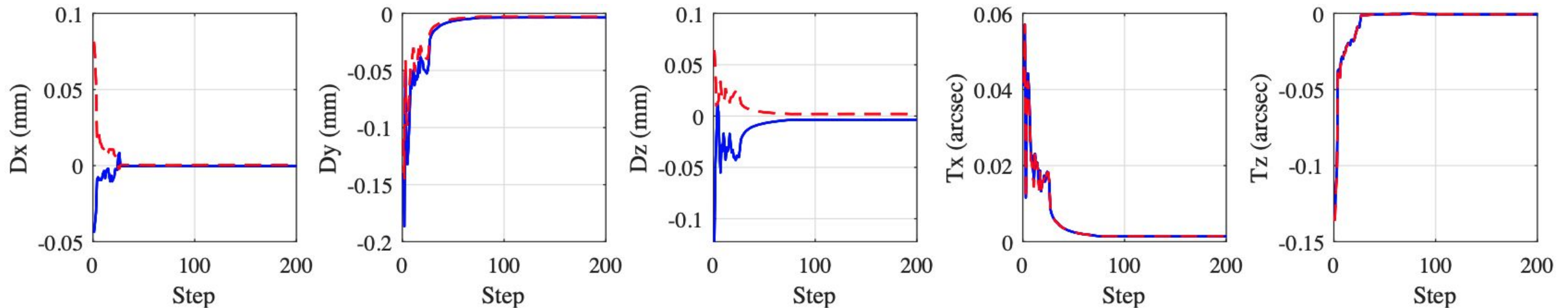
# Multi-State Coupling

## Estimation error

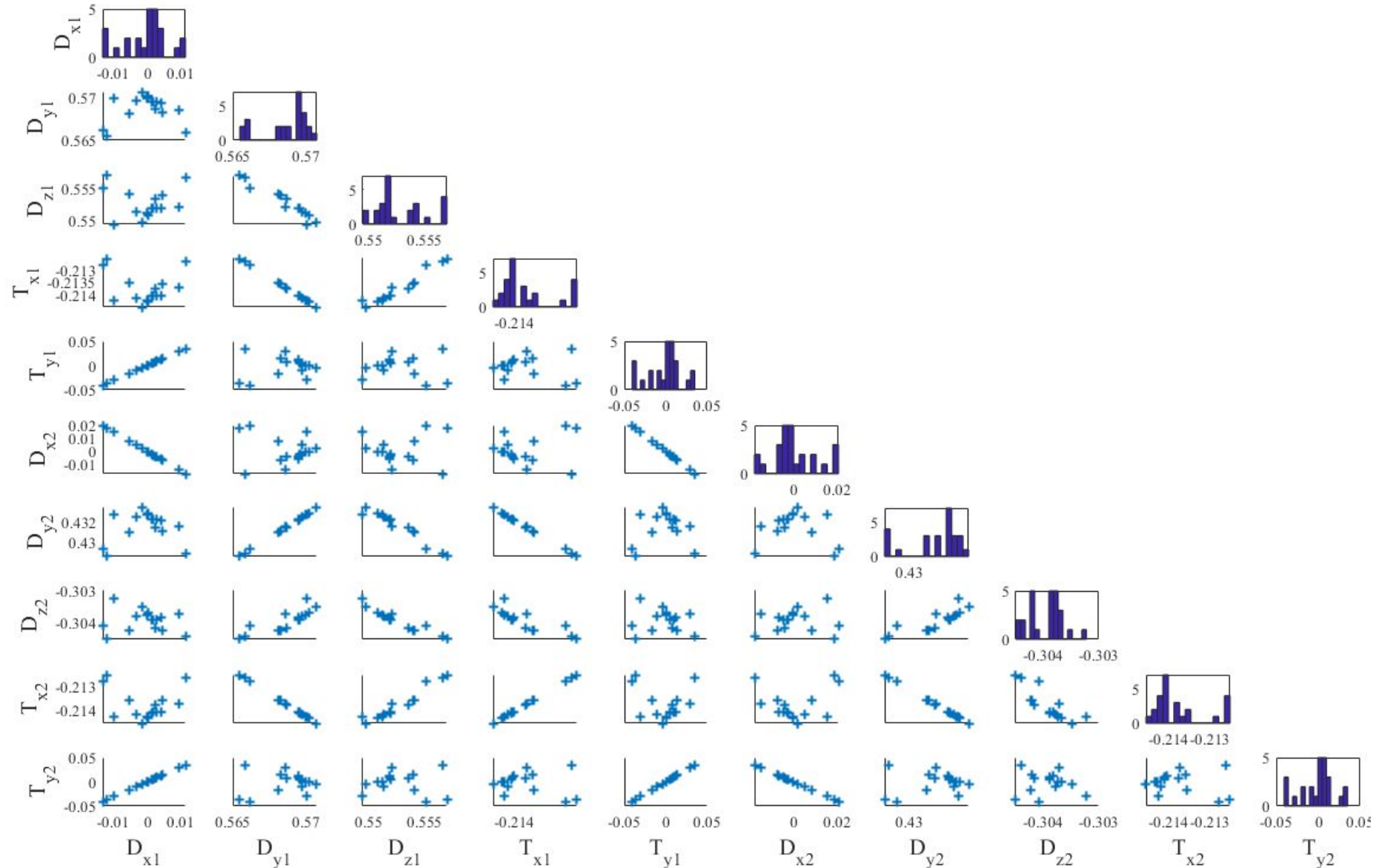
- Worst observed eigenvector



$$\delta < 0.012$$

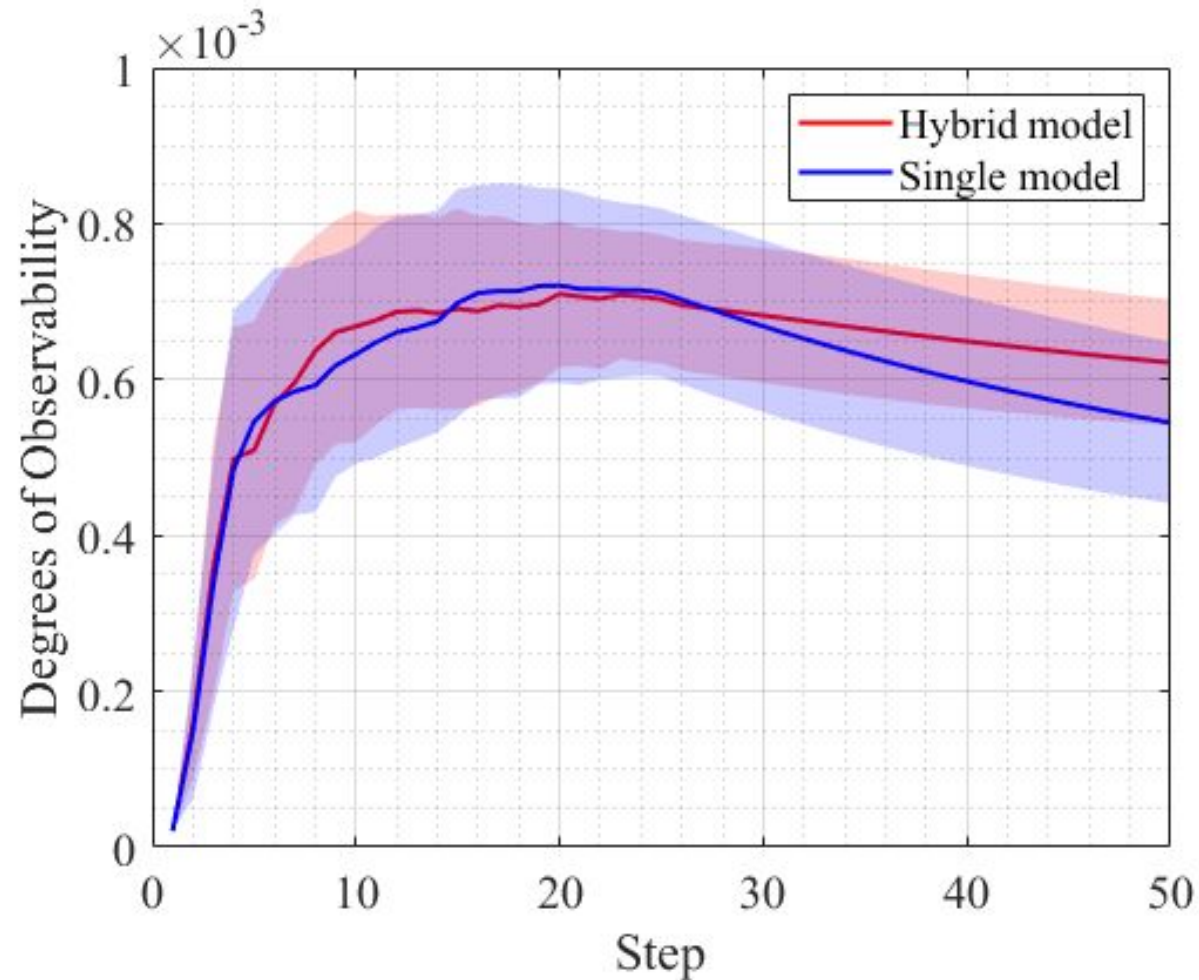


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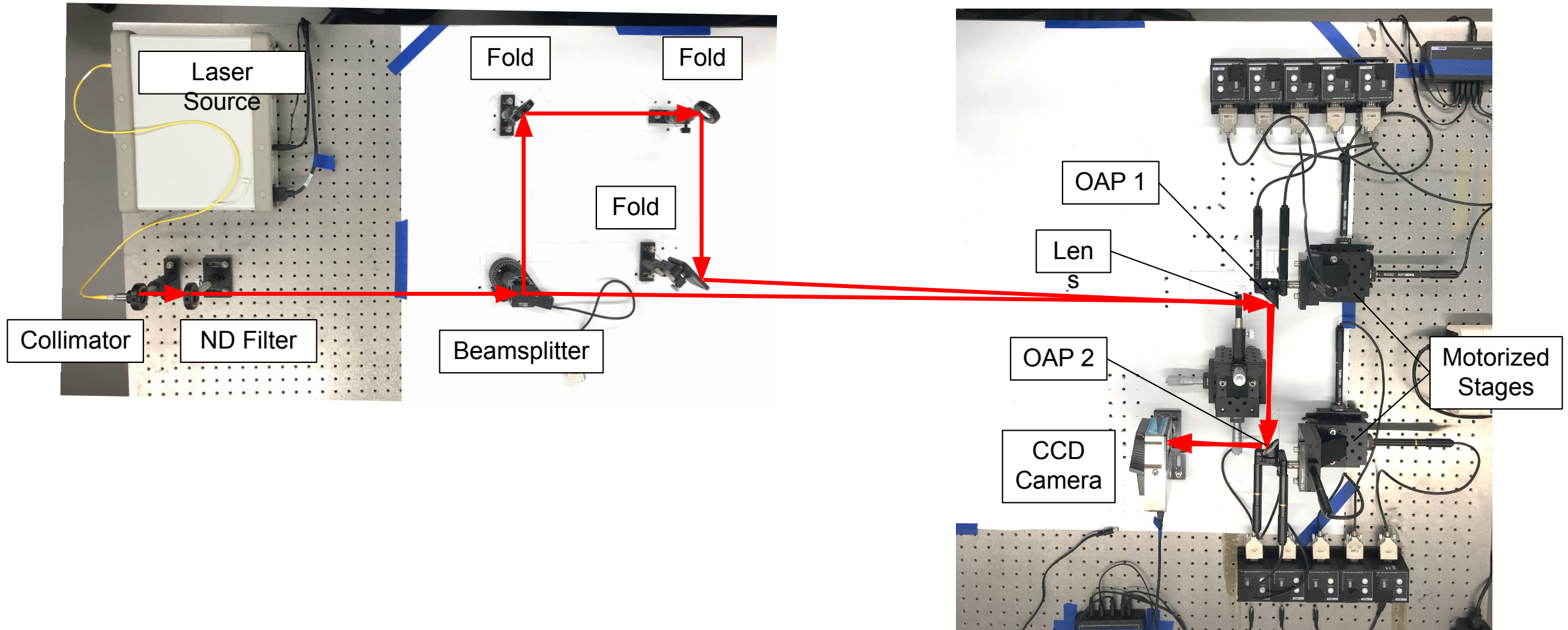


# Observability Analysis

## Algorithm Design



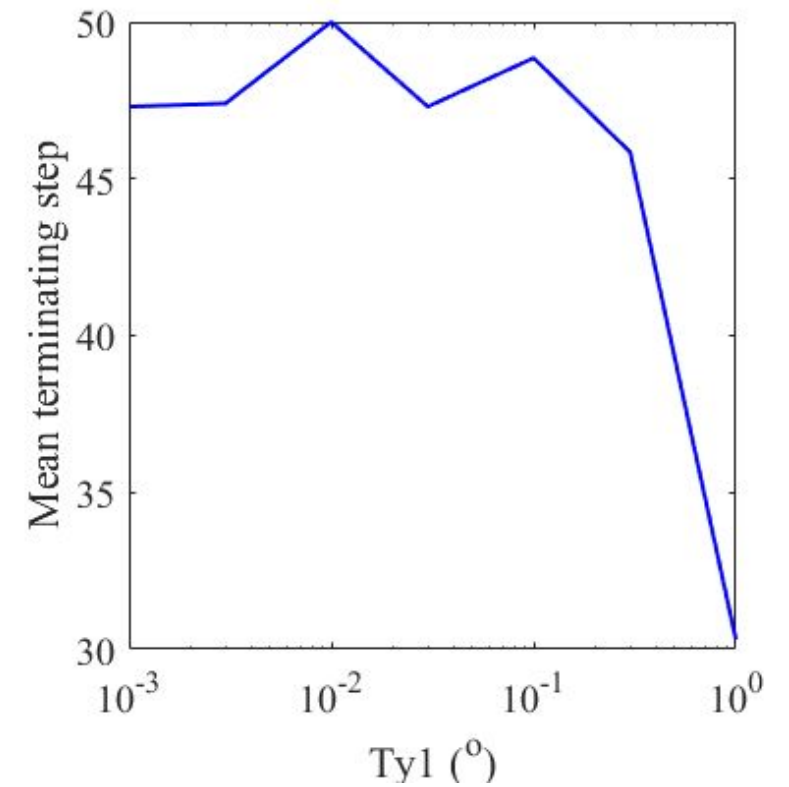
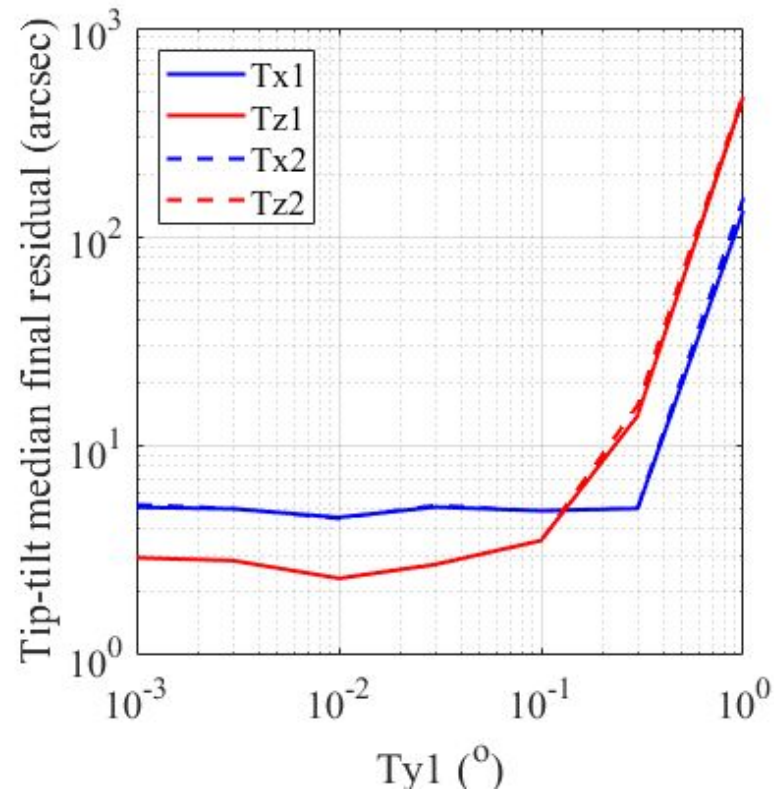
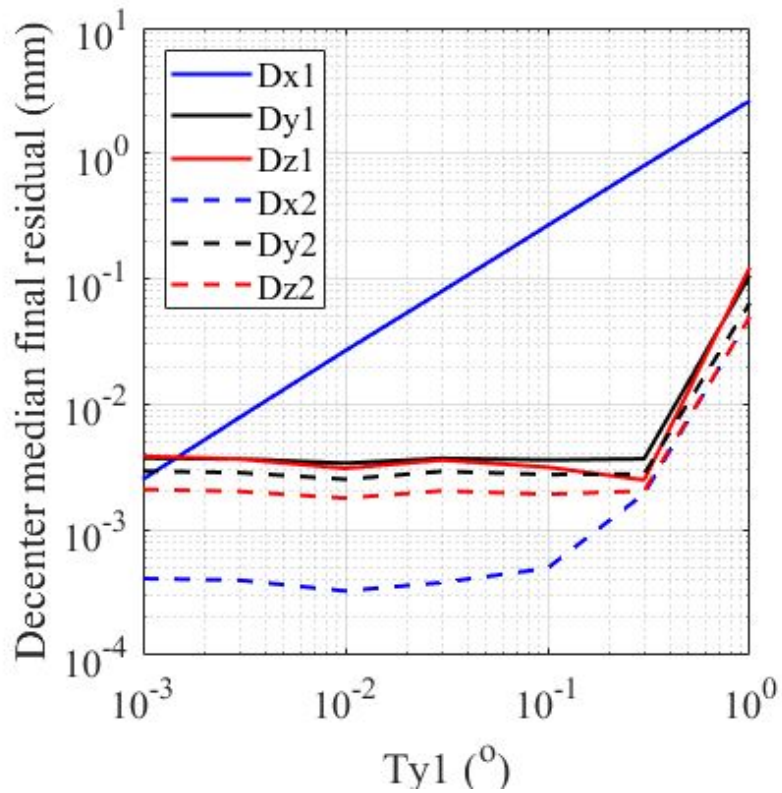
# Experiments





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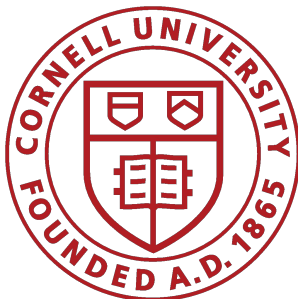
## Analysis



# Conclusion

Automated alignment of a reflective system using pure focal plane sensing

- Continuation on simulation
- Analysis
  - Observability
  - Algorithm design
  - Multi-state coupling effect
- Preliminary Experiments
- Future work
  - Higher manual alignment accuracy in experiments
  - Algorithm optimization
  - Control strategy: well/poorly observed eigenvectors



# Thank You!

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