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- What is the tapered sapphire fiber.
- A sapphire fiber with a thick edge.
- We have already asked a dealer about the possibility of the example fiber.
- Answer:YES, possible.
 - Φ I.8mm×600mm is possible. (Shorter fiber is enough for us.)
 - No taper fiber is impossible.
 - Larger edge diameter is possible.
- We should investigate more design options for the best design.
- Anyhow, we can buy it and test it.

Example of the tapered fiber.



Core diameter: 1.8mm. Core length: 600mm. Tapered length: 5mm. Edge diameter: 3.0mm. Edge lengthL 5mm. 2011/08/11 Takashi Uchiyama ICRR,the Univ.of Tokyo.

- Ideas for LCGT suspension using the tapered sapphire fiber.
 - Attach clamp parts to sapphire mirrors.
 - The clamp parts may have holes or slots.
 - Pass the tapered sapphire fiber through the hole or slot.
 - Hook the clamp parts by the thick edge of the tapered sapphire fiber.
- We need...
 - Design of the tapered sapphire fiber.
 - Design of the clamp part.
 - Method to attach the clamp parts to the mirrors.



Figure 2. Sketch of the steps followed to realize a monolithic suspension, as detailed in the text.

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- Negotiation with Moltech.
- Moltech is a company in German.
 - <u>http://www.mt-berlin.com/</u>
 - Single crystal, materials, components for science...
- We are negotiating with them directly now.
- We also asked the possibility of the tapered sapphire fiber to ...
 - Photoran in USA and
 - Kyocera in Japan.
 - No answer still now.

- Monolithic sapphire fiber.
- Method is EFG.
- Polished only the end sides.
 - We asked try to polish the surface indicated with the red arrow in the bottom figure.
- Bubbles content depends on pulling up speed.
 - We asked control the speed to make the bubbles as small as possible.
- Impurities depend on the quality of raw materials.
 - We asked select the raw material with the lowest impurities.
- We would like to buy 3 different axis directions and 4 fibers for each direction.
- We are waiting for the cost estimation.

