

### 3. Experiment Examples

#### 3.1 Holographic Photography

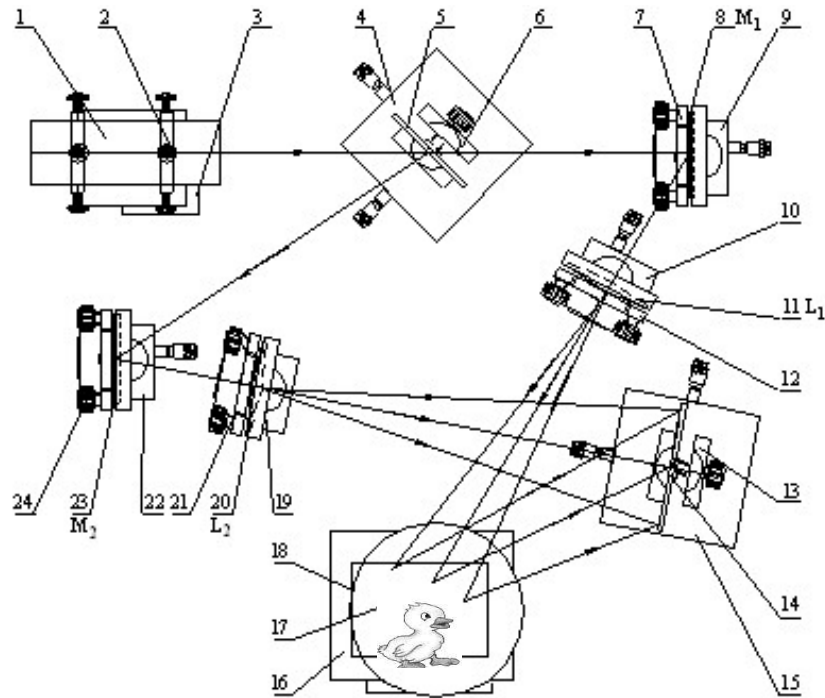


Figure 1 Schematic of holographic photography

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| 1: He-Ne laser (LLL-2)                 | 13: Plate holder (SZ-12)               |
| 2: Laser holder (SZ-42)                | 14: Holographic plate                  |
| 3: Height adjustable base (SZ-03)      | 15: 3-D translation base (SZ-01)       |
| 4: Universal base (SZ-04)              | 16: Small object                       |
| 5: Beam splitter                       | 17: Object loading platform (SZ-20)    |
| 6: 2-D plate holder (LEPO-19)          | 18: Universal base (SZ-04)             |
| 7: Kinematic lens holder (SZ-07)       | 19: Height adjustable base (SZ-03)     |
| 8: Plane mirror $M_1$                  | 20: Beam expander $L_2$ ( $f'=6.2$ mm) |
| 9: Universal base (SZ-04)              | 21: Lens holder (SZ-08)                |
| 10: Height adjustable base (SZ-03)     | 22: Universal base (SZ-04)             |
| 11: Beam expander $L_1$ ( $f'=6.2$ mm) | 23: Plane mirror $M_2$                 |
| 12: Lens holder (SZ-08)                | 24: Kinematic lens holder (SZ-07)      |

1). Configure system setup according to Figure 1. Remove beam expanders  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ , and align remaining components at identical height.

2). Align object and reference light paths with identical length and the two light beam intersected at the holographic plate at an angle of  $30^\circ$  to  $40^\circ$ .

- 3). Rotate mirror  $M_1$  to let the object light incident on the center of the small object, while rotate mirror  $M_2$  to make the reference beam hit the center of the holographic plate (replaced by a white screen for now).
- 4). Insert beam expander  $L_1$  and move it back and forth until the object light illuminates the entire object; insert beam expander  $L_2$  in the reference light path and move it back and forth until an intensity ratio of the object to the reference light falls within the range from 1:5 to 1:10.
- 5). Secure all the magnetic bases on the optical table. Turn off ambient light and then replace the white screen with a holographic plate for exposure. The exposure time is around 1-2 s. Develop and then fix the exposed holographic plate under the aid of a green safety lamp (refer to the user instructions of silver salt holographic plates, as attached at the end of this manual).
- 6). After washing and drying process, place the processed holographic plate to its previous location to observe the reconstructed real and virtual images.

### 3.2 Holographic Grating Fabrication

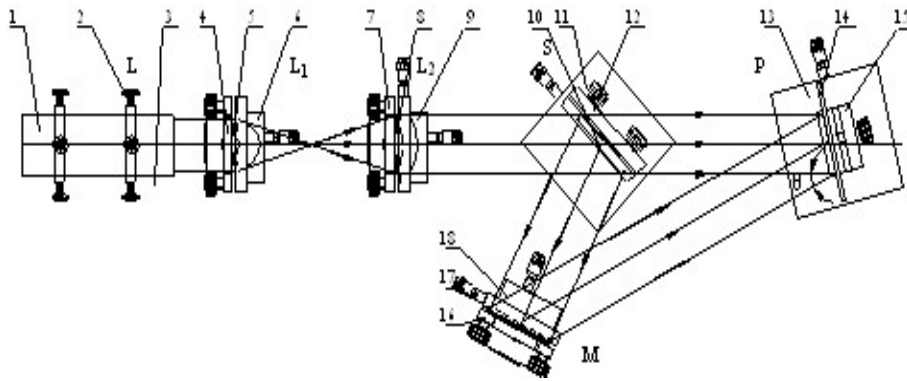


Figure 2 Schematic of holographic grating fabrication

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| 1: He-Ne laser L (LLL-2)                 | 10: Beam splitter S (5:5)         |
| 2: Laser holder (SZ-42)                  | 11: Universal base (SZ-04)        |
| 3: Height adjustable base (SZ-03)        | 12: Kinematic lens holder (SZ-07) |
| 4: Lens holder (SZ-08)                   | 13: Universal base (SZ-04)        |
| 5: Beam expander $L_1$ ( $f'=6.2$ mm)    | 14: Holographic plate             |
| 6: 3-D translation base (SZ-01)          | 15: Plate holder (SZ-12)          |
| 7: Lens holder (SZ-08)                   | 16: Kinematic lens holder (SZ-07) |
| 8: Collimating lens $L_2$ ( $f'=225$ mm) | 17: Plane mirror                  |
| 9: Universal base (SZ-04)                | 18: X-Z translation base (SZ-02)  |

- 1). Align the He-Ne laser to pass beam expander  $L_1$  and collimating lens  $L_2$  so that a collimated laser beam with expanded beam size is obtained.
- 2). Based on the required grating period  $d$ , derive the intersection angle between the object and the reference beams,  $\theta$ , at the holographic plate ( $d = \frac{\lambda}{2 \sin \theta / 2}$ ).
- 3). Based on the derived intersection angle,  $\theta$ , configure the system according to Figure 2.

4). Repeat step 5) in sec 3.1.

5). After washing and drying process, place the processed holographic plate to its previous location to observe the He-Ne laser diffraction on a white screen. Alternatively, an optical goniometer can be used to measure the angle of mercury light diffracted by the fabricated grating, so that the grating period can be verified.