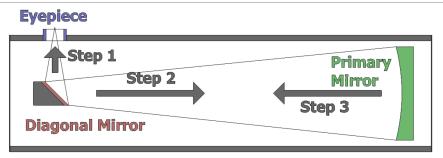
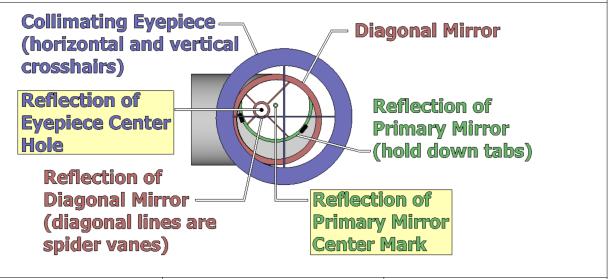
Collimation of Reflector Telescopes

This document describes the process for collimating (aligning) the optics of a reflector telescope so that the maximum photons reach the eyepiece, at the best focus.



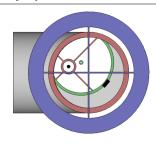
Adjust 2 mirrors in 3 steps to align eyepiece (focuser) and primary mirror CENTERLINES.

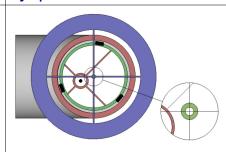


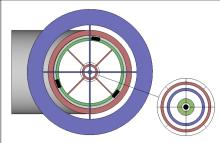
Step 1 – Adjust (up-down, side-side, rotation) the diagonal (secondary) mirror so it is centered in the eyepiece.

Step 2 – Adjust the angle of the diagonal mirror so the primary mirror center mark centers on the eyepiece crosshairs.

Step 3 – Adjust the angle of the primary mirror so the eyepiece center hole centers on the primary mirror center mark.







Reference:

http://dbpeckham.com/Telescope/Collimation/Collimation.htm