

Homework #5

- (1) This problem involves the stability diagram (see Fig. 5.7 from the text) and the cavities indicated on the attached handout (Fig. 7.1 from Yariv).
 - (a) Find the equation for the dashed lines by considering a general confocal cavity (not simply a symmetric one).
 - (b) Find the largest region on the stability diagram that corresponds to each cavity. (Note the cavities are labeled from #1 to #8 on the figure. Please follow this notation in your answer.)
- (2) 5.8
- (3) 5.11
- (4) 5.14 (Siegman has a nice treatment of sensitivity to misalignment.)
- (5) 5.15 (My answer differs from the text by a factor of 4. See what you get.)

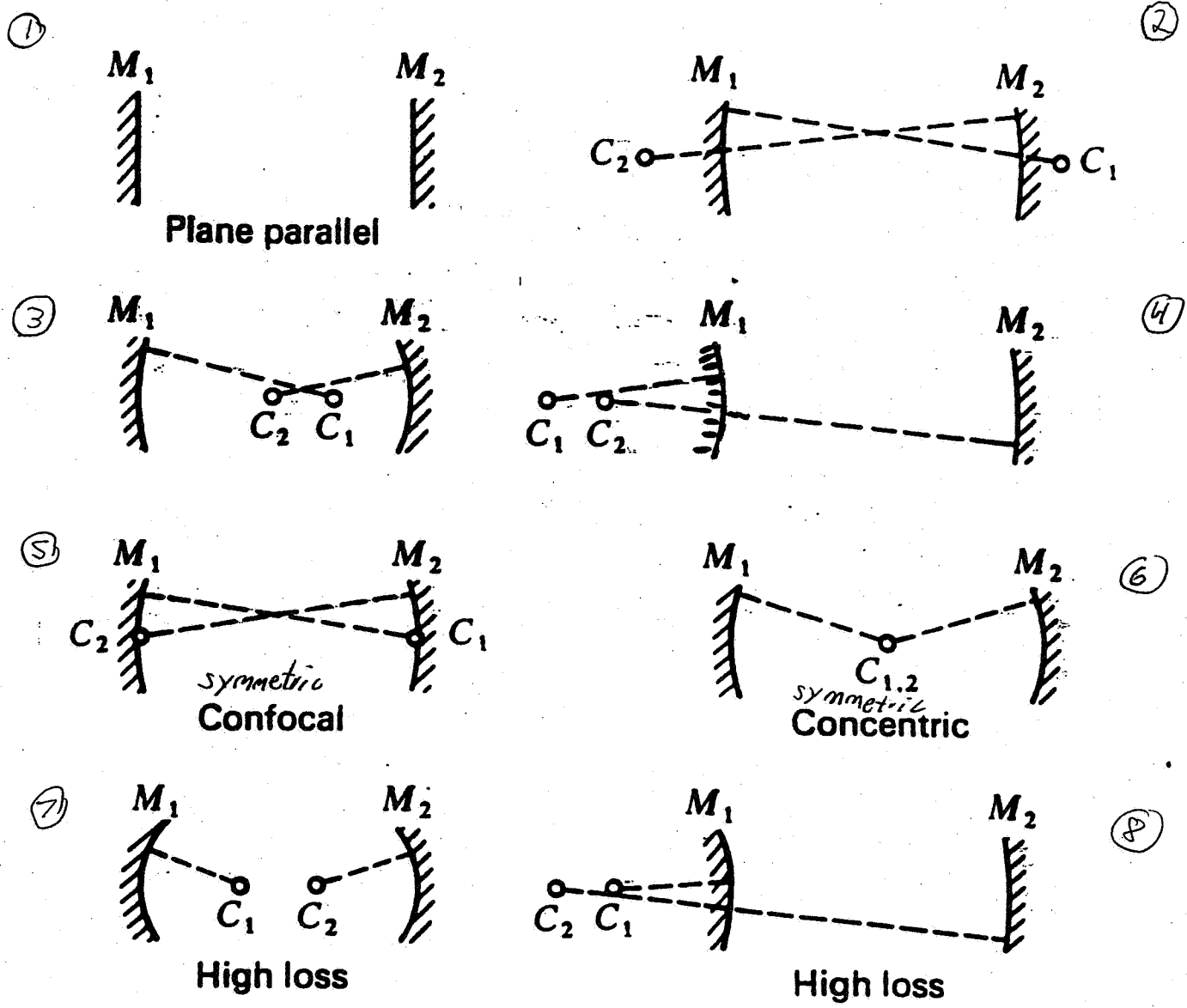


FIGURE 7.1 Examples of mirror configurations for optical masers. All except the bottom two exhibit low-loss resonant modes. Source: Reference 3.