



HAM Suspensions Update

Advanced LIGO Suspensions
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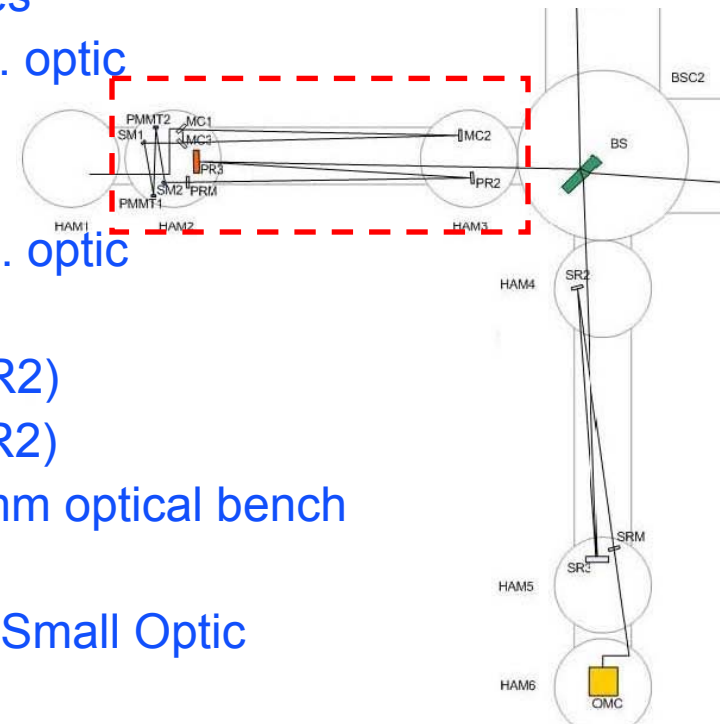


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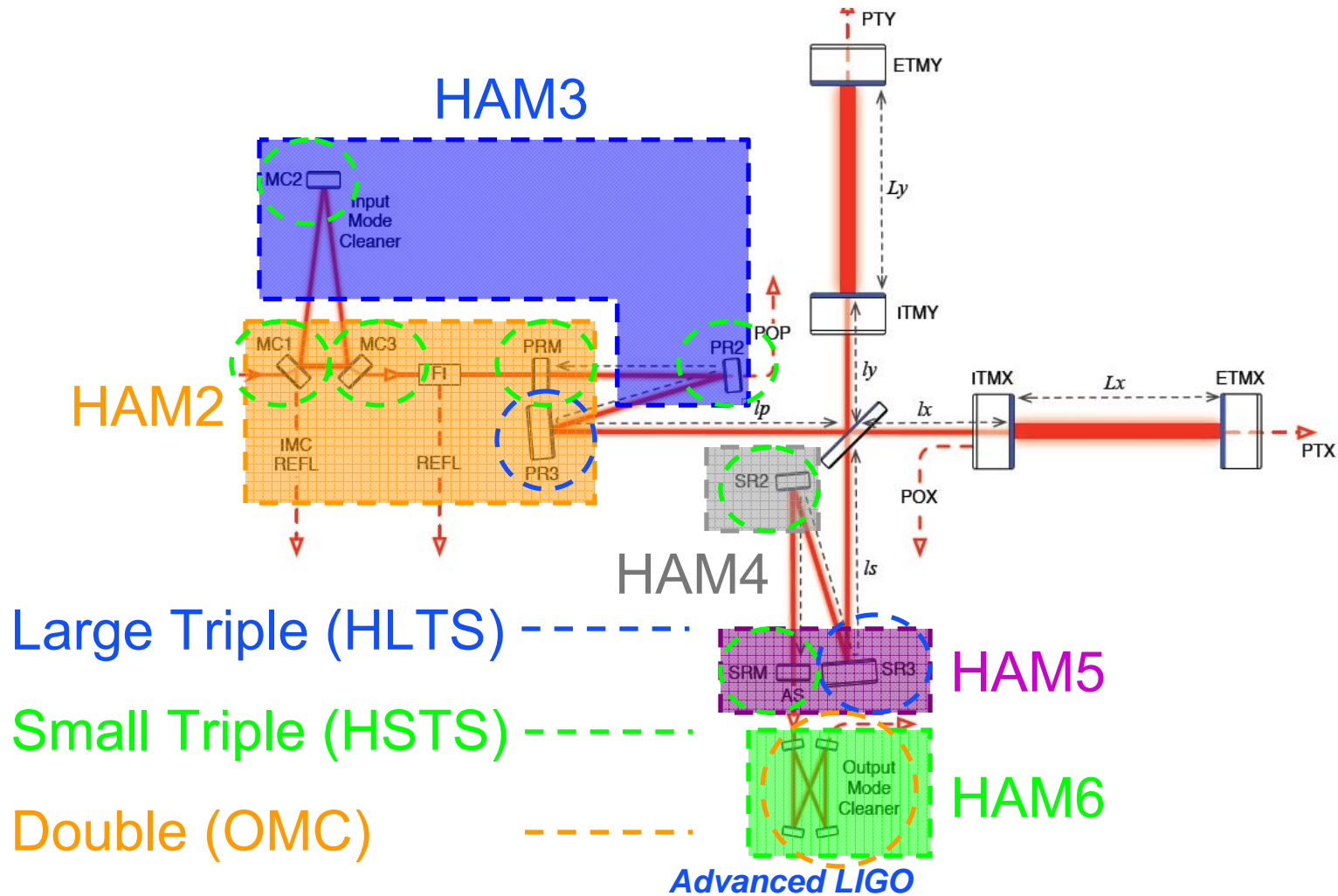
HAM Suspension Overview

- Four types of suspensions sit on HAM optical tables
 - Large Triple suspension (HLTS) – 265mm dia. optic
 - Power Recycling Cavity Mirror (PR3)
 - Signal Recycling Cavity Mirror (SR3)
 - Small Triple suspension (HSTS) – 150mm dia. optic
 - Input Mode Cleaner (IMC)
 - Power Recycling Cavity Mirrors (PRM, PR2)
 - Signal Recycling Cavity Mirrors (SRM, SR2)
 - Double suspension – 450mm × 150mm × 38mm optical bench
 - Output Mode Cleaner (OMC)
 - Single suspension – 76mm dia. optic – iLIGO Small Optic Suspension (SOS)
 - Input Mode Matching Telescopes
 - Steering Mirrors

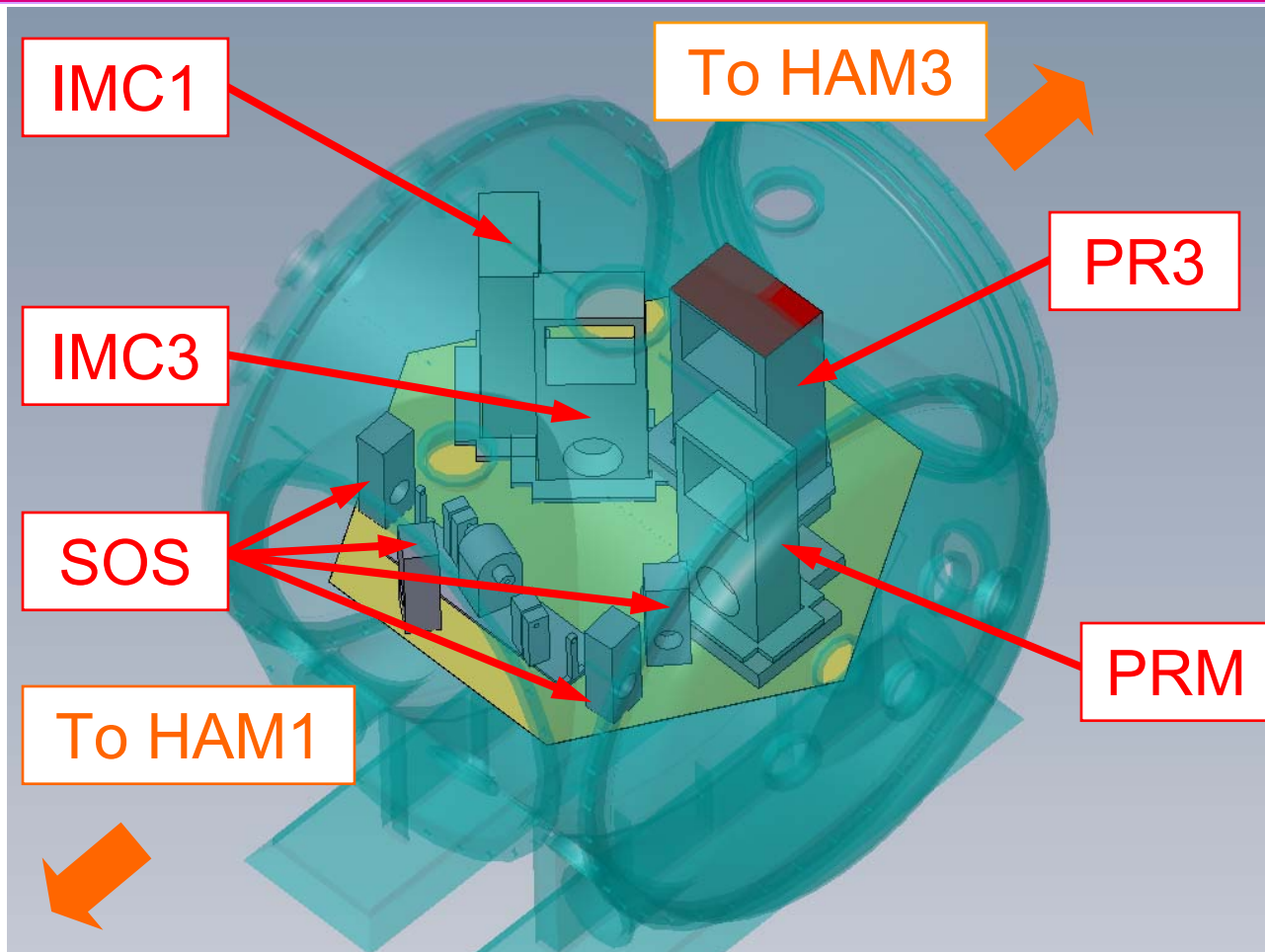




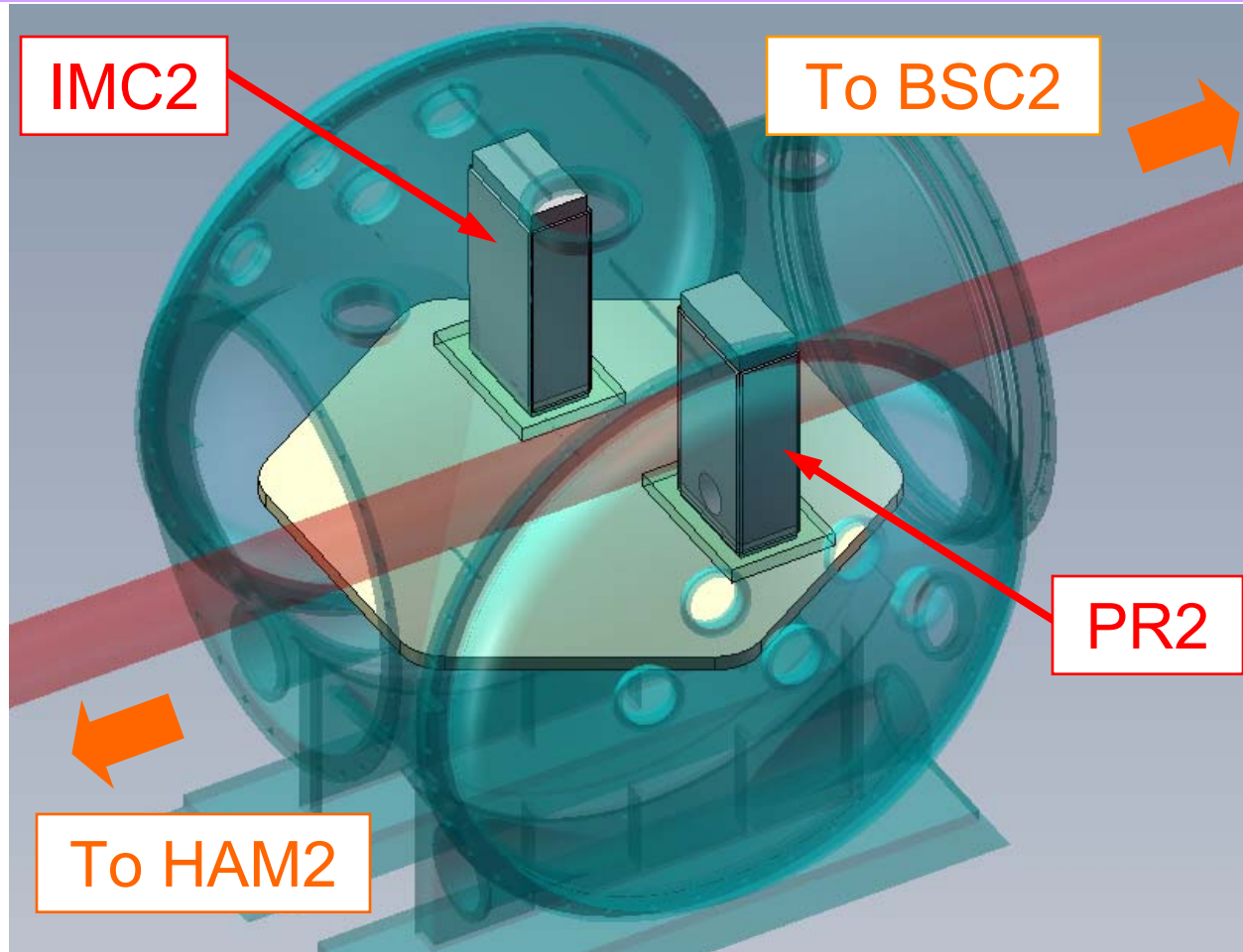
Stable Recycling Layout



HAM2 Layout



HAM3 Layout



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HAM Suspensions Status

- Triples
 - Preliminary design review complete
 - Triples electronics
 - Design pursued by SUS-US building on SUS-UK work
 - Production by SUS-UK
 - Large Triples (HLTS)
 - Prototype being fabricated
 - Stainless steel welded structure – resonance testing done
 - Minor redesign of some parts underway
 - Small Triples (HSTS)
 - Input Mode Cleaner prototypes fully tested at LASTI
 - Upcoming triple-quad cavity test at LASTI



HAM Suspensions Status (cont.)

- Doubles (OMC)
 - Output Mode Cleaners installed, being tested and commissioned for Enhanced LIGO at LLO and LHO
 - Final design review ongoing
 - Procurement to start by May 1, 2009
- Singles
 - Baseline – reuse iLIGO SOS's (Small Optic Suspension)
 - Wires and clamps to be replaced



Triples PDR

- Preliminary design review for triple suspensions conducted Nov. 2008-Jan. 2009
- Result: Proceed with final design
- Recommendations:
 - Investigate stronger/higher-stress blade springs to increase vertical isolation
 - Consider design with higher stress in wires to lower highest vertical frequency (28 Hz)
 - Collaborate with SEI – does modeling indicate coupling (at 28 Hz peak in vertical) between HAM-ISI and suspension?
 - Coordinate with SYS on max. acceptable weight based on layout
 - Separate PDR to be held for electronics



HLTS (HAM Large Triple SUS)

- Used for large optics in stable recycling cavities
- Prototype being fabricated
 - SSTL welded structure
 - Resonance test results well-correlated with FE analysis (~140 Hz)
 - Electronics test stand ready
 - Some minor redesign of parts to simplify assembly
- Prototype testing at LLO



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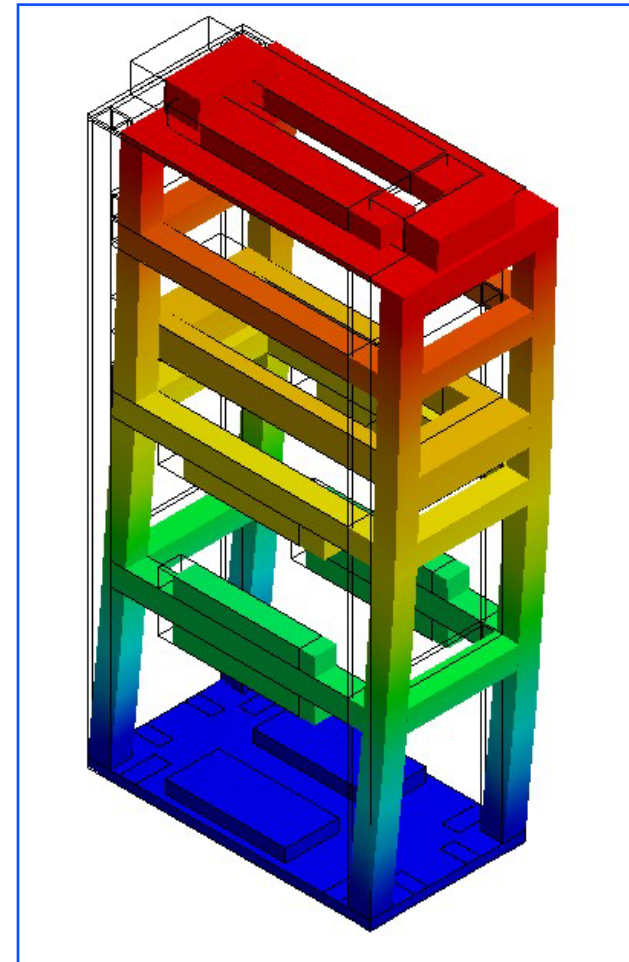
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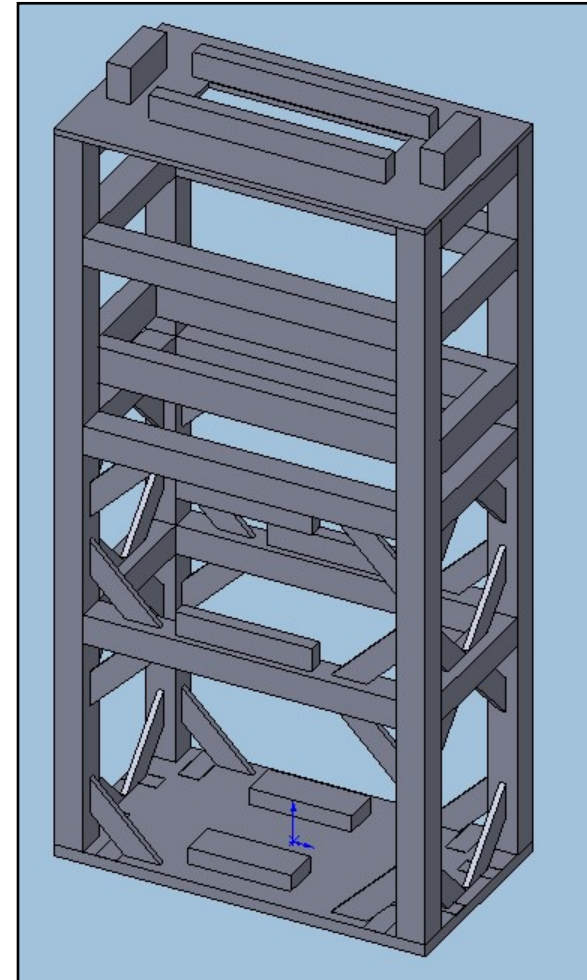
HSTS (HAM Small Triple SUS)

- Originally designed for Input Mode Cleaner
- Now also used for small Recycling Mirrors
- IMC configuration tested at LASTI
- Problem with structural resonant frequencies
 - Measured: First resonance = ~ 50 Hz
 - Subsequent requirement: First resonance > 150 Hz (to avoid affecting HAM-ISI controls)
 - Need to increase frequency while maintaining footprint (crowding in HAM2)

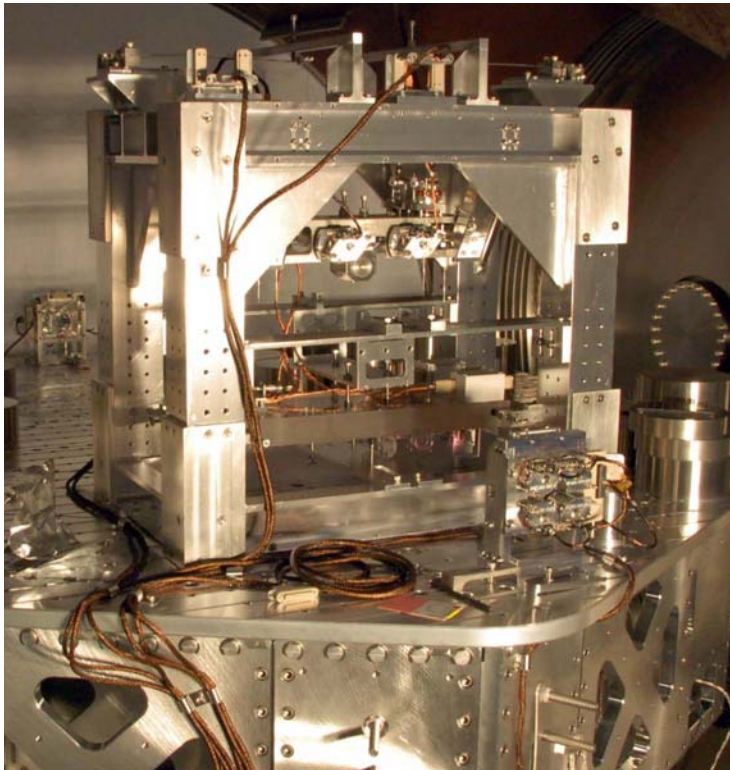


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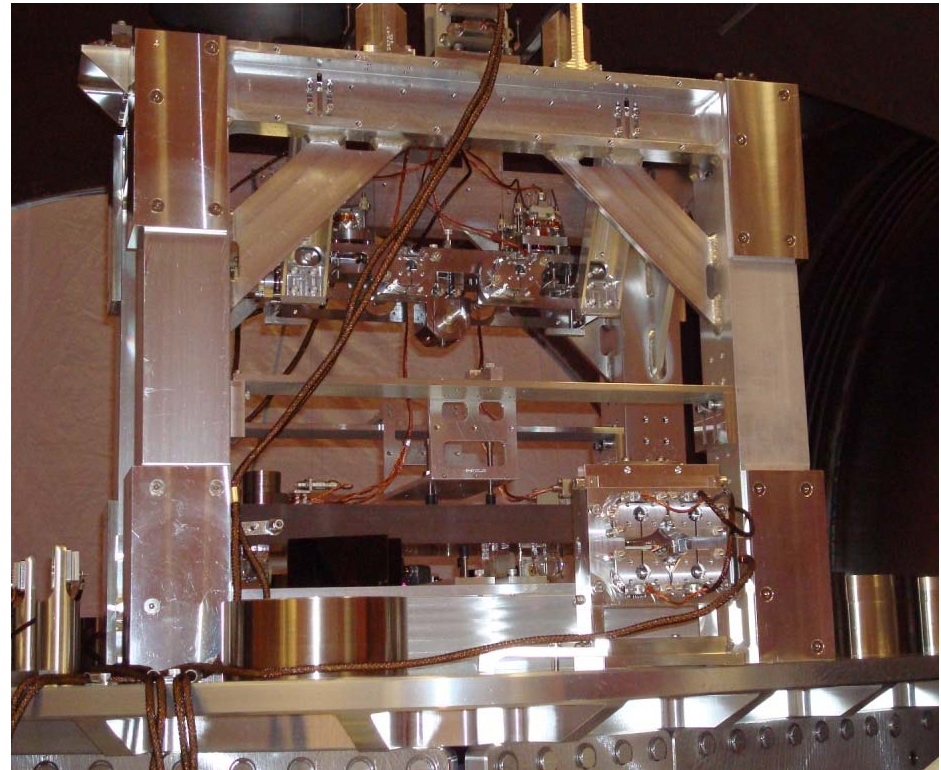
- Structural redesign (T080318)
 - Thicker base plate (1" → ~60 Hz)
 - Addition of crossmembers and gussets (~85 Hz)
 - Switch structure material from Al to SSTL
 - Heavier
 - Easier to weld
 - Reduce mass of nonsuspended items
 - Tablecloth – SSTL to Al
 - Current FEA – ~105 Hz
 - Increase size of structural members
 - Provision for struts
- Baffle design (with IO) – still in progress



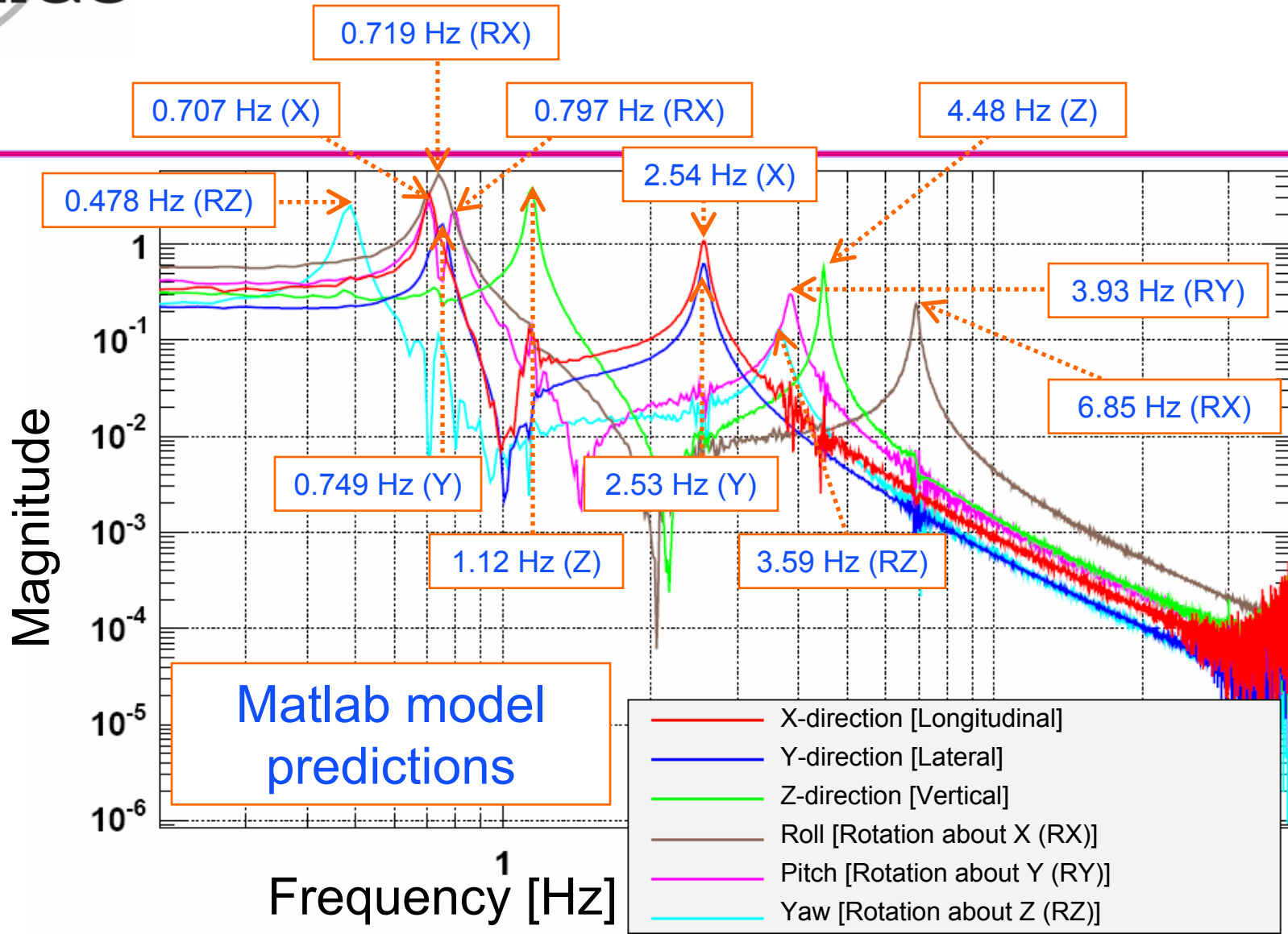
Output Mode Cleaner



LLO OMC



LHO OMC



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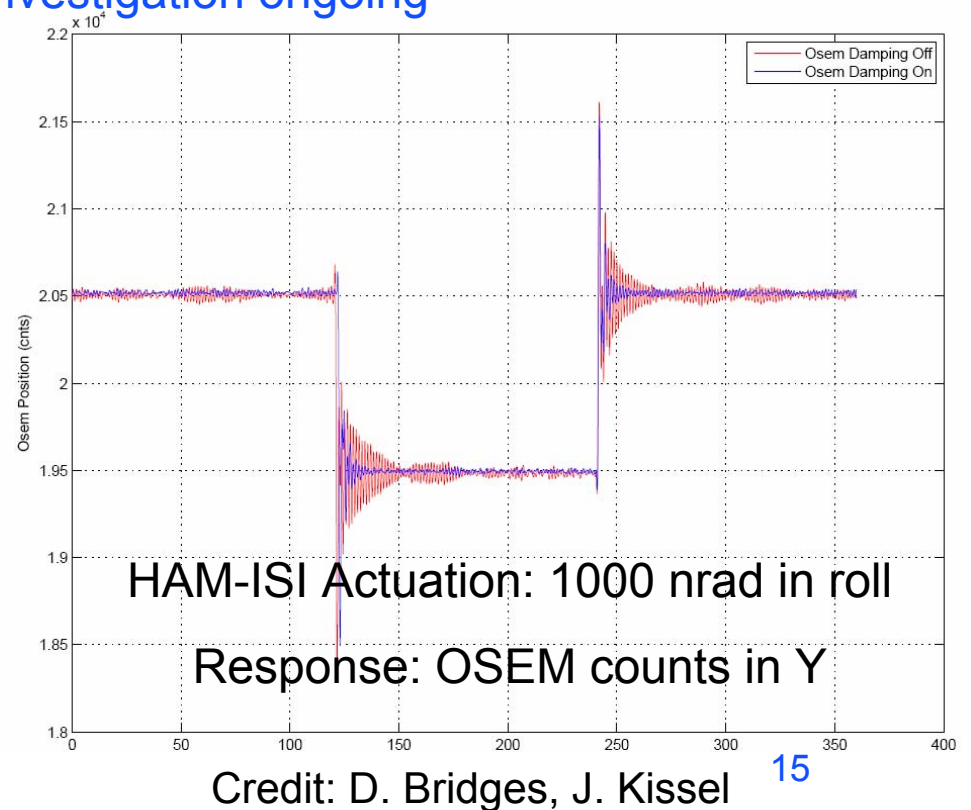
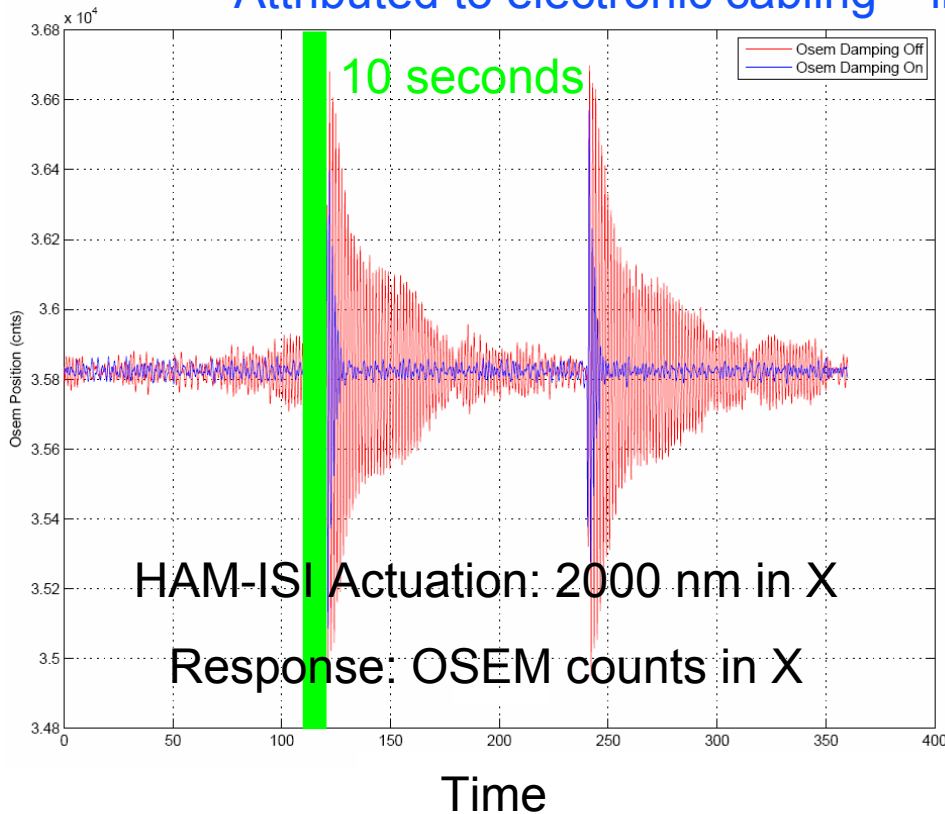
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LLO OMC Damping Tests

- Active Damping: Requirement to damp to $e^{-1} = 36.8\%$ in <10 seconds achieved
- Passive Damping: Measured Q values – ~ 90 (long.), ~ 70 (vert.)
 - Values lower than modeled; however no requirement has been set
 - Attributed to electronic cabling – investigation ongoing



Maraging Steel Blade Springs

- RFQ for more prototype blades
 - Enlarge vendor pool
 - Investigate higher-stress blades
 - Thinner blades → Tighter blade curvature
 - Testing of linear behavior, overload recovery to be done
 - Electroless nickel-plating of blades now included in process specification (E0900023)
 - Prevents corrosion
 - Samples tested under multiple loadings – no flaking, no performance degradation





Misc. Engineering Improvements

- Many initiatives to streamline engineering work
 - Opto-Mechanical meetings (twice monthly) – sharing of data between engineers in SUS, SEI, SYS, AOS
 - Reinstated SUS technical meetings (weekly)
 - New Advanced LIGO drawing templates (M. Meyer, B. Moore)
 - New color coding system for materials (D. Bridges)
 - More training in SolidWorks and PDMWorks Vault (version control for models and drawings), streamlined processes for new DCC
 - New hires for drafting, logistics, clean and bake
- These initiatives support adherence to aggressive schedule
 - Final Design Reviews – HSTS (summer), HLTS (autumn)



Conclusions

- SUS teamwork continues
 - Development work through FY 2009 in parallel with project work
 - HSTS/HLTS – Design, prototyping, assembly, testing, final design reviews
 - Triple Electronics – Finish design, build prototypes, design reviews
 - OMC - Final design review actions, start production
 - iLIGO OSEMs – Complete value engineering, design review, start production
 - Quad SUS – Complete training (incl. electronics), receive production parts, start assembly