



E2 Calibration of the Hanford 2km IFO

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calibration procedure

- idea: apply known force to a mass and measure displacement
- methods: swept sine, fixed frequency calibration lines, photon calibrator
- how good? Assume 1-10 events with SNR 10-100, the physical results should not be limited by the systematic uncertainties of the calibration
- +/- 1% amplitude, +/-10 microseconds

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hubble constant

- Determine the Hubble constant H_0
- require 3-4 interferometers
- amplitude accuracy required: 3%,
timing accuracy required: 1% of max
timing range (-22 to +22 milliseconds)
- three detectors: 3 amplitudes and 2
time delays yields arrival directions (2),
polarization amplitudes (2), and phase
lag (1).
- four detectors: error box of $6^\circ \times 6^\circ$
degrees: search box for galaxy to get
source redshift
- ten events out to 100 Mpc determines
 H_0 to a few percent

Shutz, B.F., Nature 323 (1986) 310



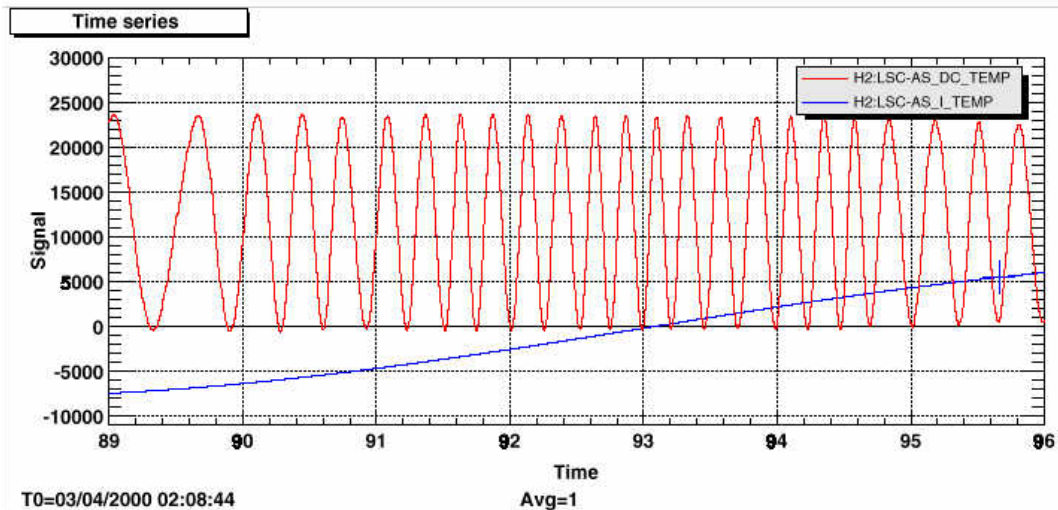
itm calibration

Drive the ITM with a slow sinusoid (0.1 Hz) and count the number of fringes that are read out at the antisymmetric port.

Calibrations for the ITM's are then

$$\text{ITM}_x = 3.6 \pm 0.2 \text{ nm/count}$$

$$\text{ITM}_y = 3.5 \pm 0.2 \text{ nm/count}$$





etm calibration

To extrapolate the calibration of the input test masses (ITM's) to the end test masses:

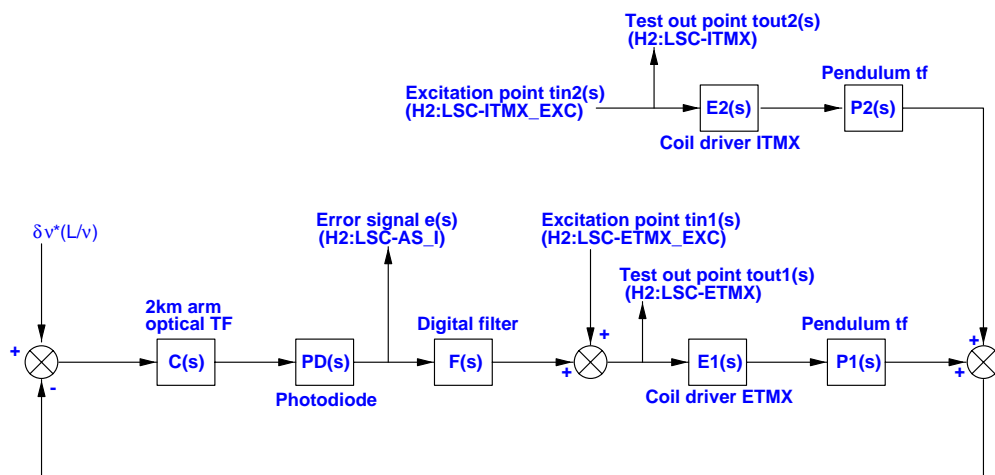
Assuming identical coil drivers ($E_1=E_2$) and pendulum transfer functions ($P_1=P_2$), and using equal excitations on both masses,

$$\alpha_{\text{etm}} = \frac{E_{\text{etm}}}{E_{\text{itm}}} \alpha_{\text{itm}}$$

Calibrations for the ETM's are then

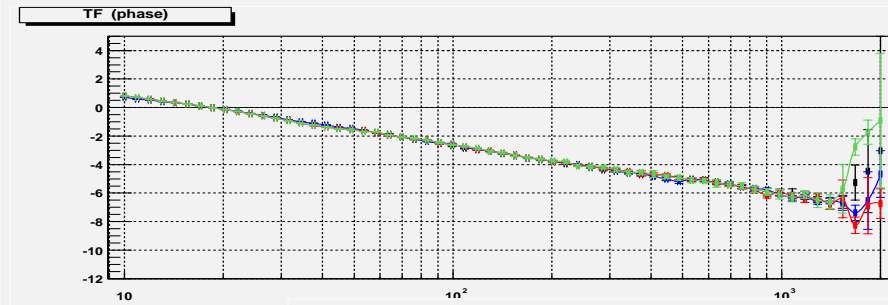
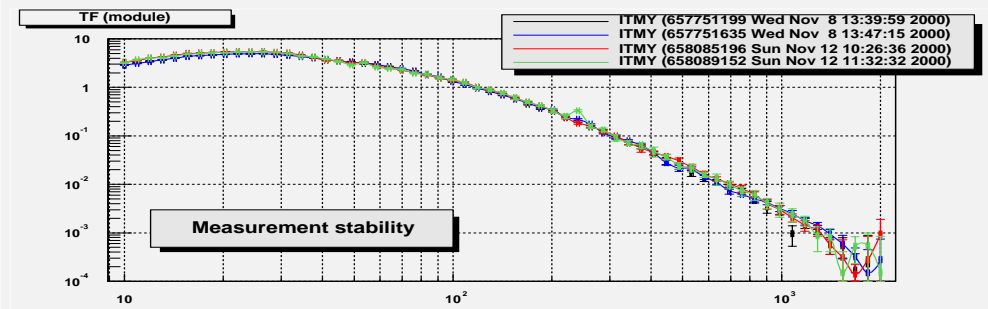
$$\text{ETM}_x = 2.3 \text{ nm/count}$$

$$\text{ETM}_y = 2.0 \text{ nm/count}$$



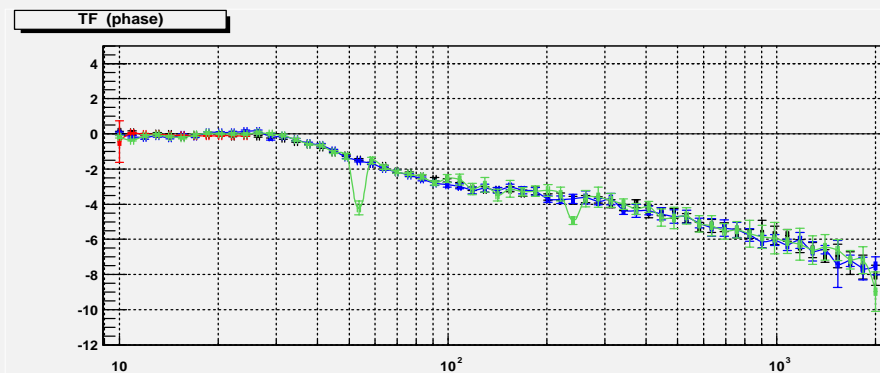
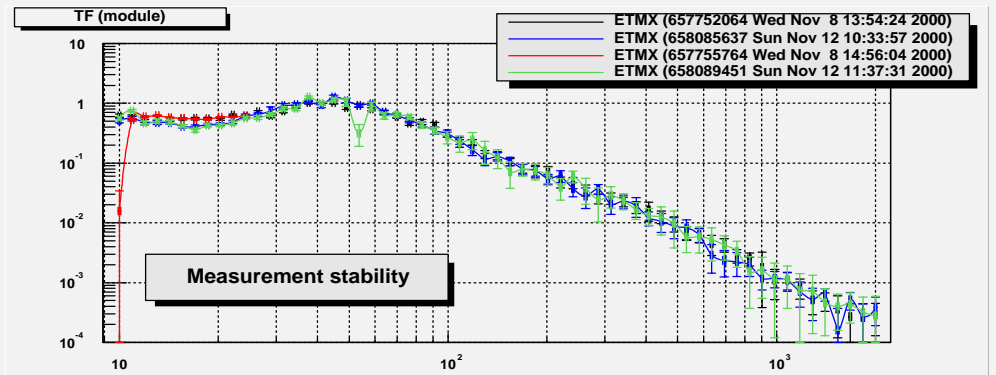


measurement stability



Meas. Stability

- Stable same day
- Differences @ low freq., up to 30% at 15Hz

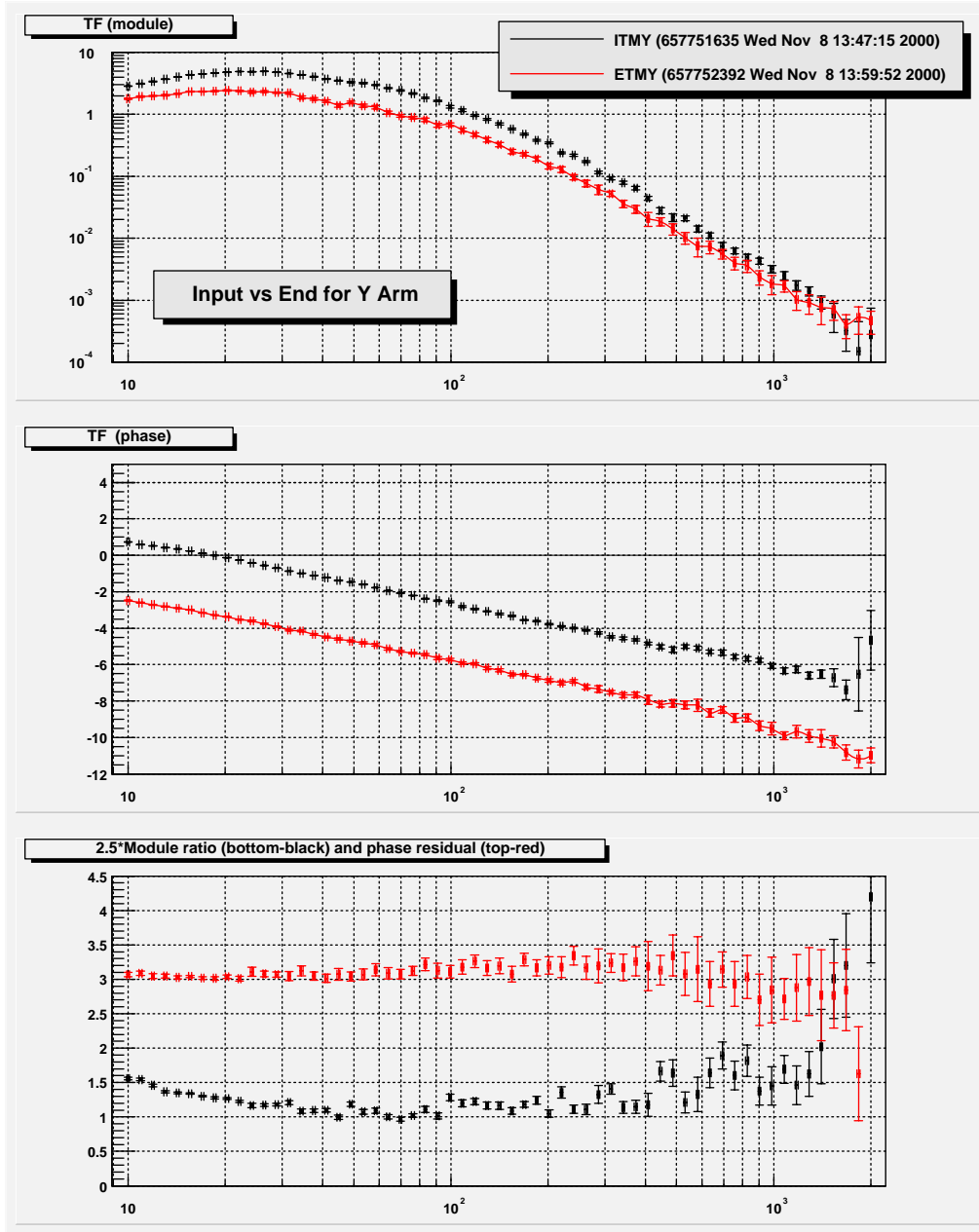


X arm vs. Y arm

- Significant differences at low frequency



itm vs etm



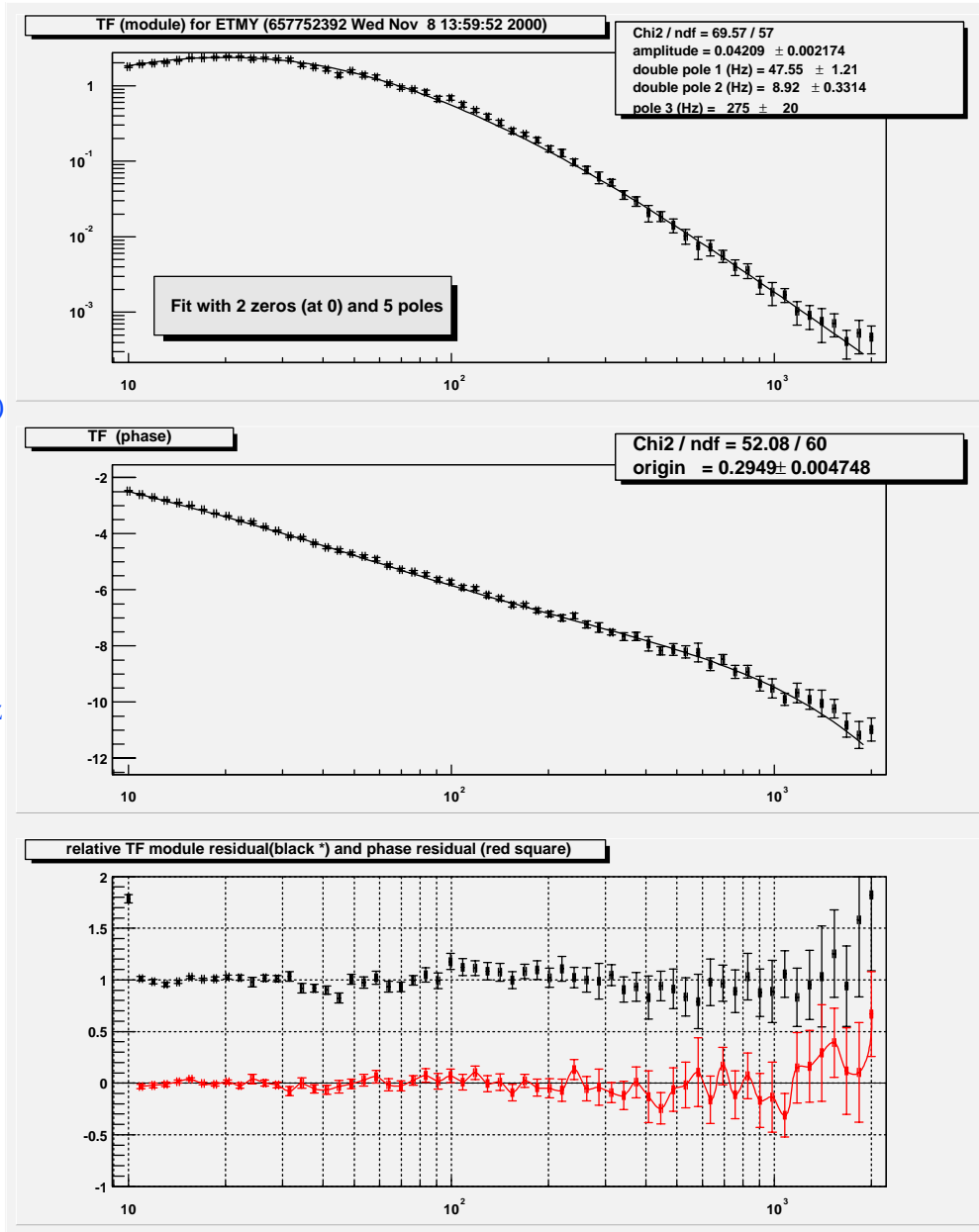


fit to etm_y transfer function

- fit
- 2 zeros at 0Hz
 - 5 poles (2 single, 1 double)

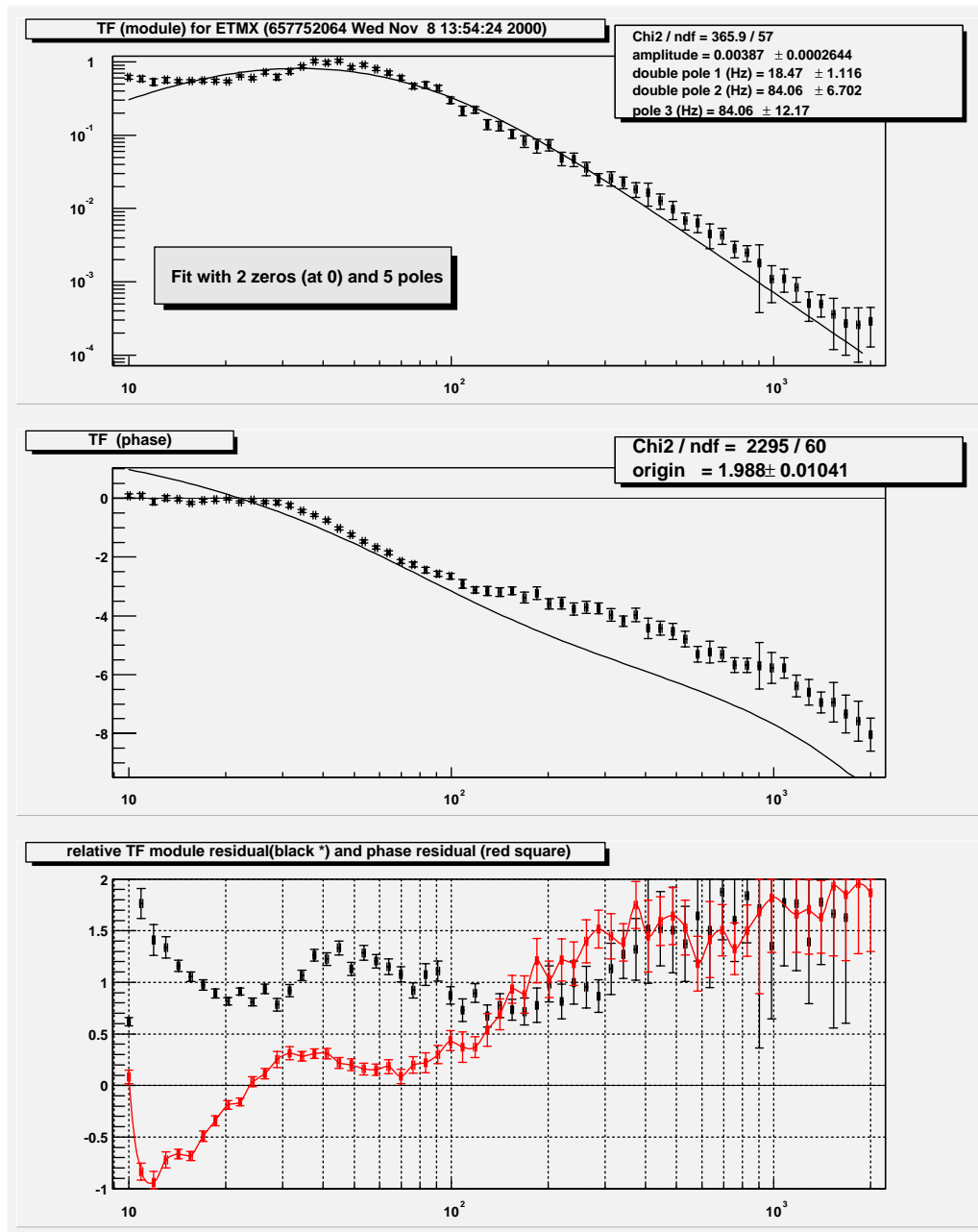
- LSC servo
- 2 zeros at ~ 0 Hz
 - At high freq., should see mechanical TF and cavity response

Y arm well represented





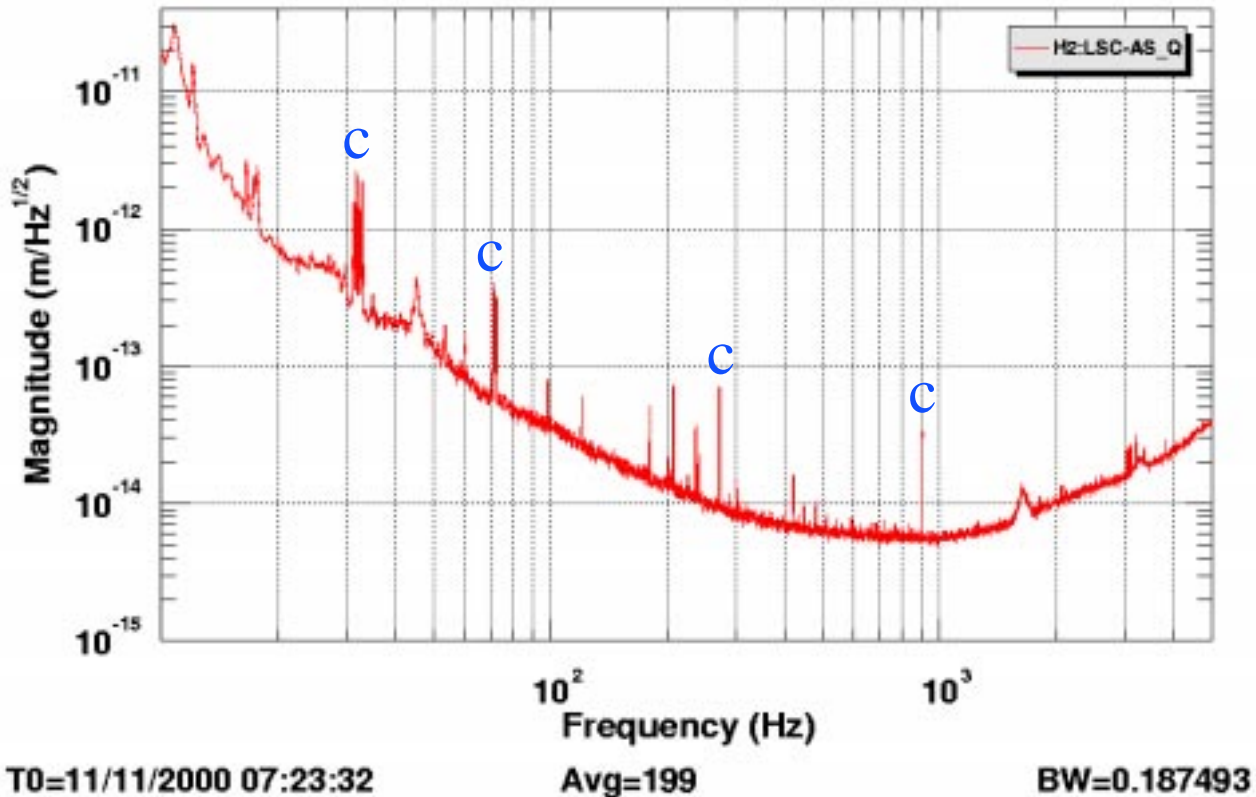
fit to etm_x transfer function



X arm complicated



sensitivity



- Scale set by absolute calibration
- Shape set by parametrization
- Visible calibration lines (“c”)
- 30% calibration accuracy