

E2 Amplitude Calibration of the Hanford Recombined 2km IFO

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outline

- I. ITM, ETM calibrations
- II. Carm, Darm calibrations
- III. Swept sines and transfer functions
- IV. Sensitivity curves
- how good do we need to do? 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
 Sigg, D. LIGO-T970101-A-D

LIGO interferometer control loops



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ITM calibration

•Basic idea: drive mass with known force and measure displacement

•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

 $\alpha_{\text{ITMX}} = 3.6 + - 0.2 \text{ nm/count}$

 $\alpha_{\text{ITMY}} = 3.5 + - 0.2 \text{ nm/count}$



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ETM calibration

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

Assuming identical coil drivers (E1=E2) and pendulum transfer functions (P1=P2), and using equal excitations on both masses,

$$\alpha_{\rm ETM} = \frac{control_signal_{\rm ETM}}{control_signal_{\rm ITM}} \alpha_{\rm ITM}$$

Calibrations for the ETM's are then

 $\alpha_{\text{ETMX}} = 2.3 \text{ nm/count}$

 $\alpha_{ETMX} = 2.0 \text{ nm/count}$







darm, carm calibration







diagonalize above

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measurement stability

Experiment:

• sweep test mass, take transfer function between AS error signal and excitation

Result:

stable for measurements made same daydifferences at low frequencies, up to 30% at 15Hz



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arm comparison

LIGO-G010057-00-W

•Significant differences at low frequency



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calibration lines



R. Coldwell *et al.*, "Narrow Resonances in the E2 Data", DCC

LIGO fit to ETM_y transfer function





•X arm more complicated



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time delay





sensitivity



•Sensitivity to y-arm displacement

- •Scale set by absolute calibration of ITMy
- •Shape set by parametrization
- Visible calibration lines (denoted with"c")approximately 30% calibration accuracy

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noise comparison





conclusions

- Recombined IFO best sensitivity during E2 was approximately 6x10⁻¹⁵ m/Hz^{1/2} at 1kHz
- carm and darm mixing apparent
- output matrix changed: ETMs given equal push
- calibrations very similar when taken same day, somewhat different days apart
- differences noted in X and Y arms
- earthquakes are bad
- anticipate revisiting of these measurements in order to see the affect of the many changes since E2