



# Advanced LIGO Input Optics Design Requirements Review

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## Presentation Outline

- Design Requirements

- » Introduction, Production Functions (Dave R., 5 minutes)
- » Design Requirements (Guido\*, 55 minutes)

- Conceptual Design

- » Introduction, Layout (David T., 10 minutes)
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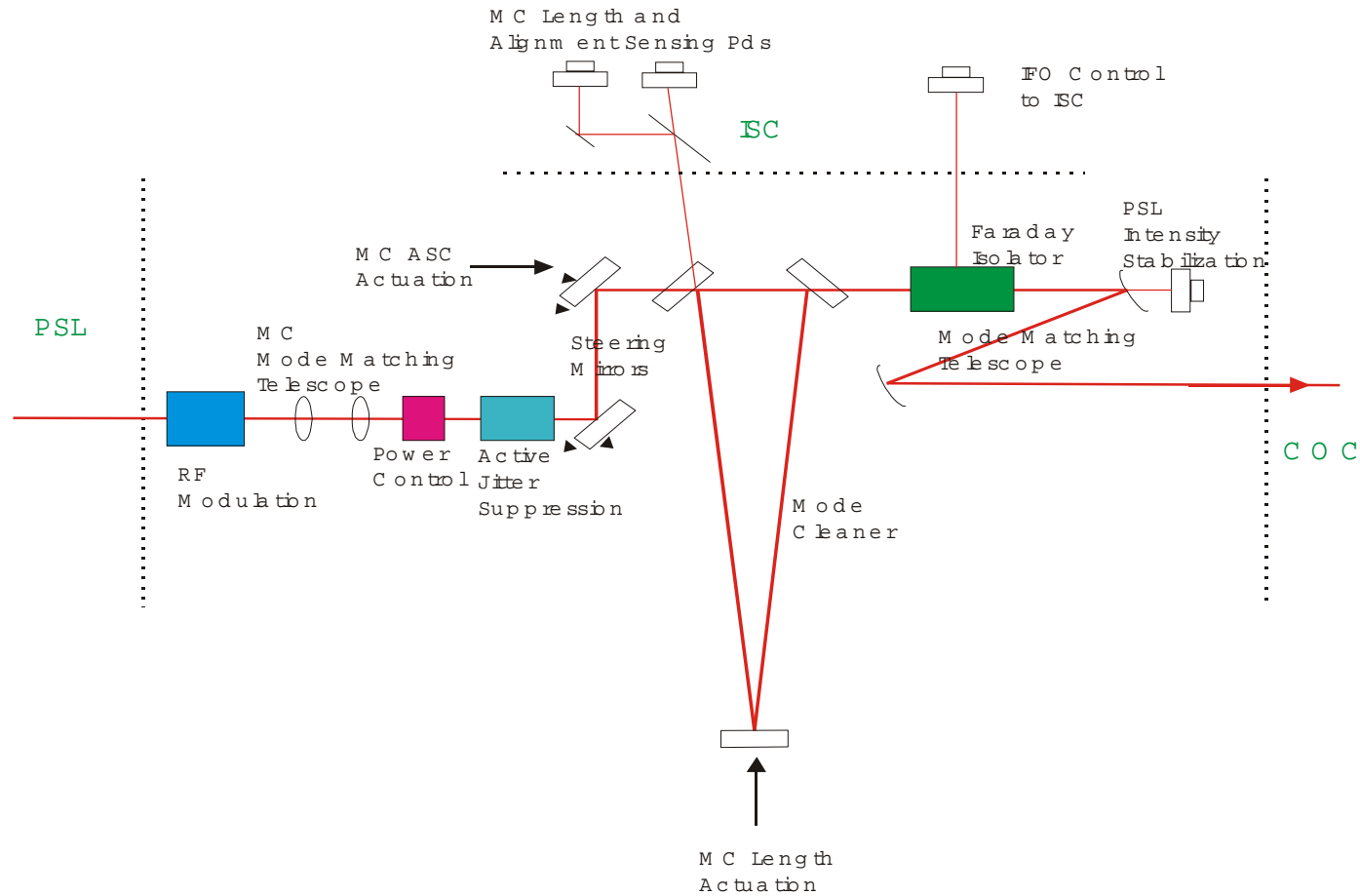
# Input Optics Product Functions

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- RF modulation
- Input mode cleaning
- Additional active jitter suppression before interferometer
- Laser power control to the interferometer
- Mode matching (interferometer and mode cleaner)
- Optical isolation and distribution of sensing beams for other subsystems
- internal diagnostics



# IO Schematic





# Not Included in IO

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- Output (AS port) mode cleaner (AOS)
- Modulation drive (ISC)
- Suspension design for IO mirrors (SUS)
  - » Suspension fabrication for large MMT
- MC length and alignment sensing and control (ISC)
  - » should be active participation in design by IO group member
- Electronics (CDS)
  - » MC
  - » active jitter suppression

# ADVANCED LIGO

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## Primary Requirements from Adv. LIGO Systems Design:

- Frequency Noise at IFO, MC, and PSL
- Intensity Noise at IFO

## Additional Primary Requirements calculated for

- $P = 125W$
- Sapphire mirrors
- $40\text{ppm} \pm 50\%$  losses on reflection
- 1% difference in Arm Cavity Intensities.
- DC- and RF-Sensing

**Include always safety factor of 10!**

## MODELLING BEAM JITTER

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- **Input Field:**  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \hat{=} \begin{matrix} TEM_{00} \\ TEM_{10} \end{matrix}$
- **Propagation:**  $\begin{pmatrix} e^{i\varphi_0} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i(\varphi_0 + \varphi_G)} \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\varphi_0 = \omega 2\pi \frac{L}{c}$ ,  $\varphi_G = \mathbf{Gouy-phase}$
- **Reflection:**  $\begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1 - 4\Gamma^2} & -2i\Gamma \\ -2i\Gamma & \sqrt{1 - 4\Gamma^2} \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\Gamma = \Theta \frac{2\pi w}{\lambda}$
- **Build full IFO with these matrices**
- **Output: Dark Port Field:**  $E_{out} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$
- **Beat only  $TEM_{00}$ -component  $a$  with LO (Output MC)**
- **Repeat for Jitter SB around RF-SB.**

**Compare with GW-Signal  $\Rightarrow$  Requirements**

# BEAM JITTER

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**Beam Jitter requirement depend on Mirror Tilt:**

$$\Delta\Theta_{ITM} = \Theta_{ITM1} - \Theta_{ITM2}$$

**DC-Sensing:**

$$a_{10}^{max}(f) = \sqrt{\left(\frac{2.5 \cdot 10^{-5}}{f^2}\right)^2 + (5 \cdot 10^{-10})} \frac{[2 \cdot 10^{-8} rad]}{\Delta\Theta_{ITM}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{Hz}}$$

**RF-Sensing:**

$$a_{10}^{max}(f) = \sqrt{\left(\frac{4.5 \cdot 10^{-5}}{f^2}\right)^2 + (5.5 \cdot 10^{-10})} \frac{[2 \cdot 10^{-8} rad]}{\Delta\Theta_{ITM}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{Hz}}$$

# RF-MODULATION

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**Two possible noise sources:**

- **Changes in the SB-amplitude**
  - ⇒ **Change Carrier Intensity**
  - ⇒ **Creates Radiation Pressure Noise**
  
- **Oscillator Phase Noise**
  - ⇒ **changes phase of LO at dark port**
  - ⇒ **scales with carrier amplitude**



# RF-MODULATION

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## Changes in SB-Amplitude

### DC-Sensing:

$$\delta m(f) < \frac{10^{-9}}{m_0 \sqrt{\text{Hz}}} \frac{f}{[10\text{Hz}]}$$

### RF-locking:

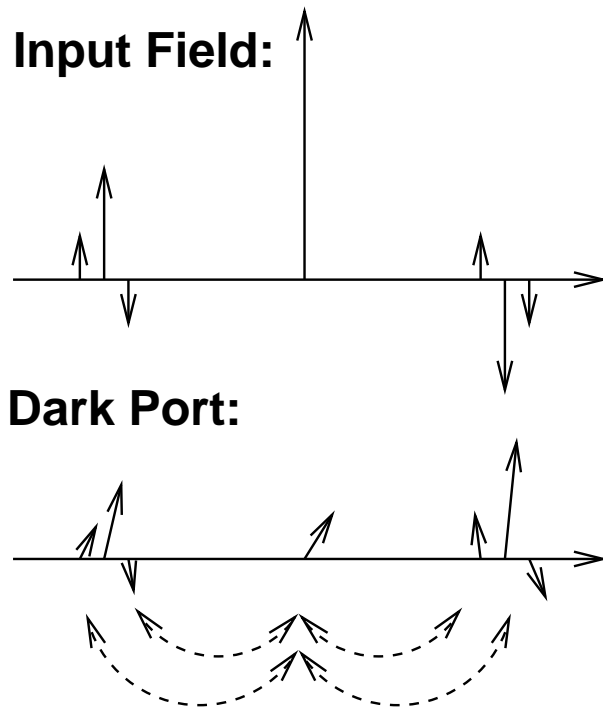
$$\delta m(f) < \frac{10^{-9}}{m_0 \sqrt{\text{Hz}}} \frac{f}{[10\text{Hz}]} \quad f < 100\text{Hz}$$

$$\delta m(f) < \frac{10^{-8}}{m_0 \sqrt{\text{Hz}}} \quad f > 100\text{Hz}$$

# OSCILLATOR PHASE NOISE

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$$E = E_0 e^{i\omega_c t} \exp \left( im \cos \left[ \Omega t + \frac{\delta v}{2\pi f} \sin(2\pi f t) \right] \right)$$



## Detuned Interferometer:

- both RF-sidebands different amplitude and phase
- all noise sidebands different amplitude and phase

## Two contributions:

- OPN-Sidebands beat with Carrier on PD.
- Oscillator Phase Noise in LO at mixer.

**No Noise Cancellation anymore !**

# RF-MODULATION

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## Requirements for 180 MHz:

- $I_{SSB}(10Hz) < -92 \text{ dBc/Hz}$
- $I_{SSB}(100Hz) < -140 \text{ dBc/Hz}$
- $I_{SSB}(1 \text{ kHz}) < -163 \text{ dBc/Hz}$

## Critical Parameters:

- **Detuning in arm cavities and MI**

$$\Phi_- < 10^{-7} \text{ rad} \quad \phi_- < 10^{-4} \text{ rad}$$

- **Differential Losses in arm cavities**

$$\Delta L < 15 \text{ ppm}$$

**Reason: Scales with Amplitude of Carrier at DP.**

## SECONDARY REQUIREMENTS

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- Beam Jitter:**
- passive suppression: mode cleaner ( 1000)
  - active suppression necessary

### **Puts Requirements on Mode Cleaner:**

- **Angular Alignment (below GW-band):**  
**Beam Jitter creates frequency noise:**

$$\Theta_{MC} < 10^{-7} \text{ rad}$$

- **Angular Stability (in GW-band):**  
**MC mirror motion creates Beam Jitter:**

$$\Theta_i(f) < \sqrt{\left(\frac{2.5 \cdot 10^{-12}}{f^2}\right)^2 + (5 \cdot 10^{-15})^2} \frac{[2 \cdot 10^{-8}]}{\Delta\Theta_{ITM}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\text{Hz}}}$$

## ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

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- **Frequency Noise Requirement behind MC limited by radiation pressure noise**

$$\Rightarrow 3 \cdot 10^{-2} \frac{\text{Hz}}{\sqrt{\text{Hz}}} \frac{\text{Hz}}{f} \quad f < 1 \text{ kHz}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \cdot 10^{-5} \frac{\text{Hz}}{\sqrt{\text{Hz}}} \quad f > 1 \text{ kHz}$$

- **Oscillator Phase Noise and SB-Amplitude couple if FSR  $\neq$  RF-frequency**

$\Rightarrow$  **Difference between FSR & RF-frequency  $< 14\text{Hz}$**

$\Rightarrow$  **Otherwise Requirements start to change**

# MODE MATCHING

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## Mode Matching Telescope:

- Two Mirrors
- Required Efficiency 95%
- Adjustable to accommodate small core optics deviations

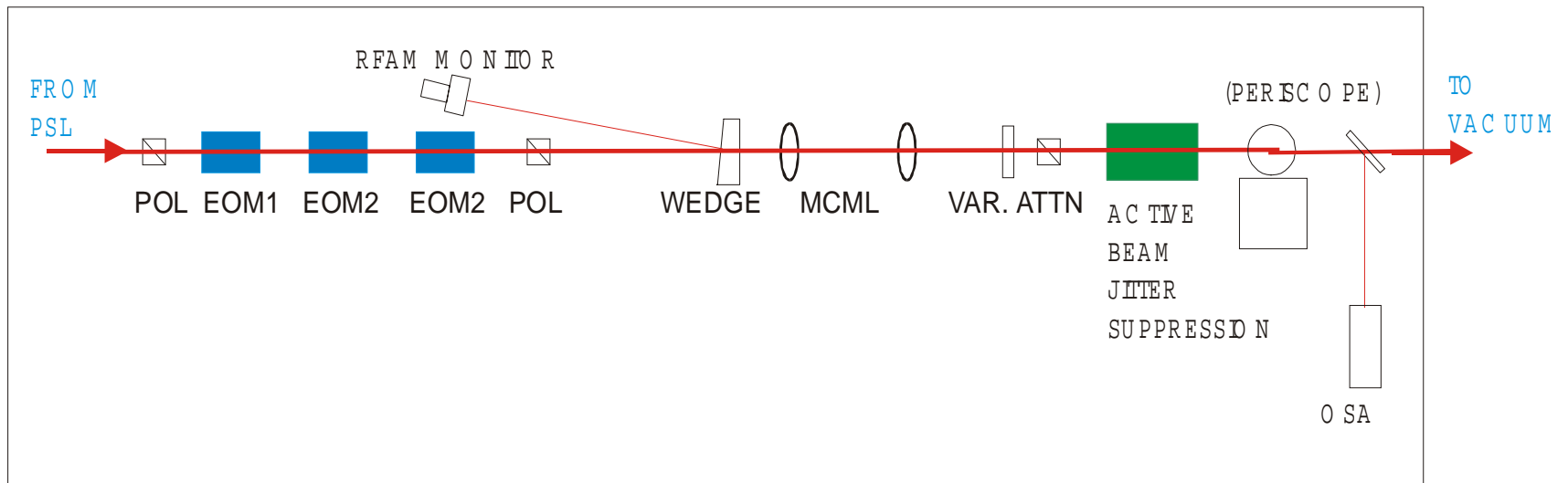
## Angular Requirements:

- $\Delta\Theta_{MMT} < 6 \cdot 10^{-9}$  rad (rms)
- $\delta\Theta_{MMT} < 10^{-12} / \sqrt{\text{Hz}}$

# General Design

## IO System Layout

- Optics not in vacuum are mounted on the same table as the PSL in a clean, enclosed, and acoustically/seismically stable environment.
- Conceptual Layout of IO Components on the PSL Table:



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# Possible Methods for Minimizing Frequency Noise from Acoustic Coupling to Mirror Mounts and Periscopes

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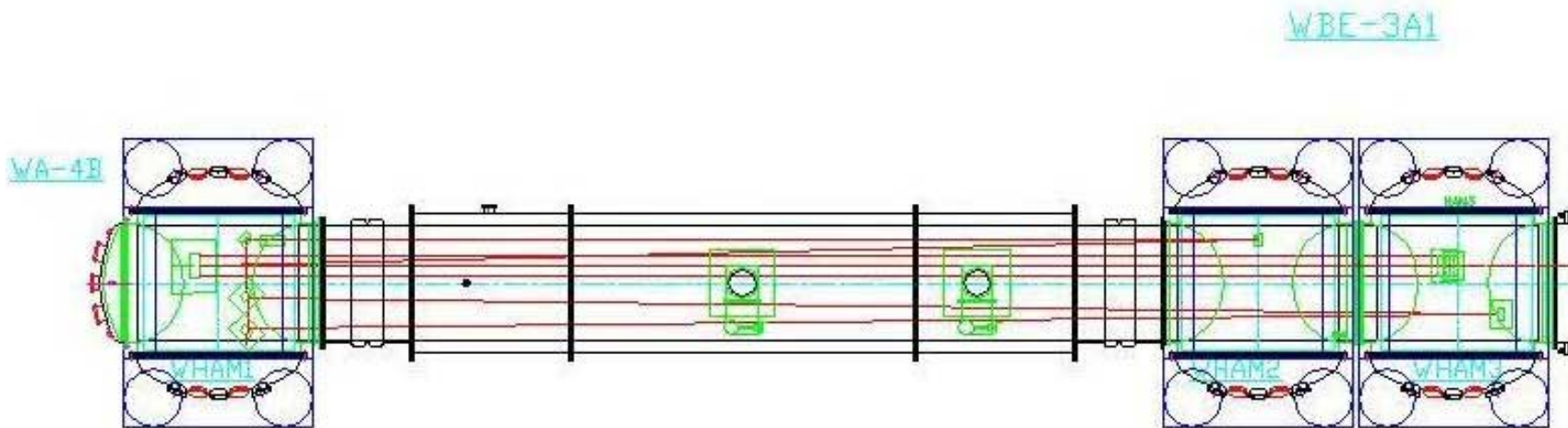
- LIGO 1 suffered from coupling of acoustic noise in the PSL/IOO table environment to mirror mounts.
  - 1) enclose PSL components in separate vacuum (with suitable vibration isolation).
  - 2) provide low-acoustic (anechoic) enclosure around PSL with all noise producing devices (fans, etc) outside this enclosure.
- PSL/IOO table of L1 was not stiff enough to constrain the (heavy) periscope frame first employed; eventually a lighter design was used.
  - 1) move periscope into vacuum system (requires a HAM viewport at table level).
  - 2) raise table to eliminate periscope.
- Both treatments are outside the scope of the IOO subsystem alone.

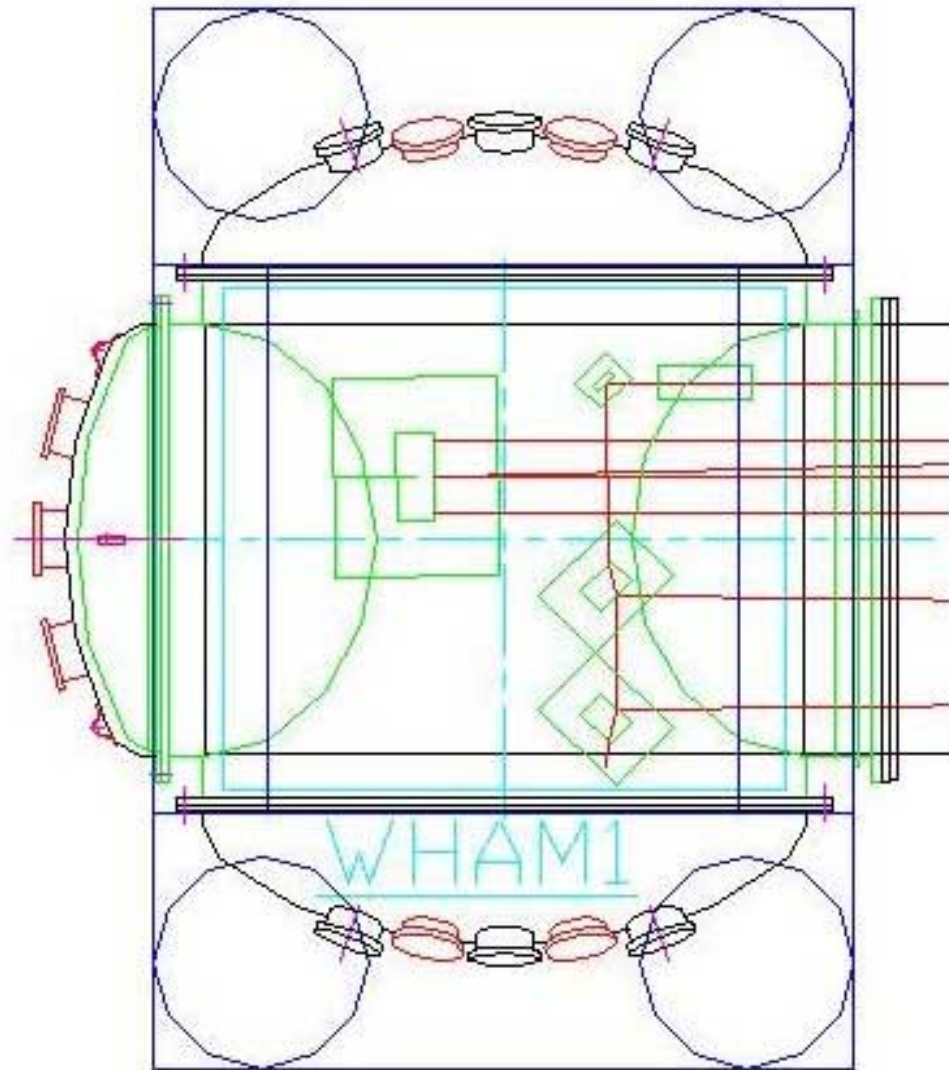




# In-vacuum optics

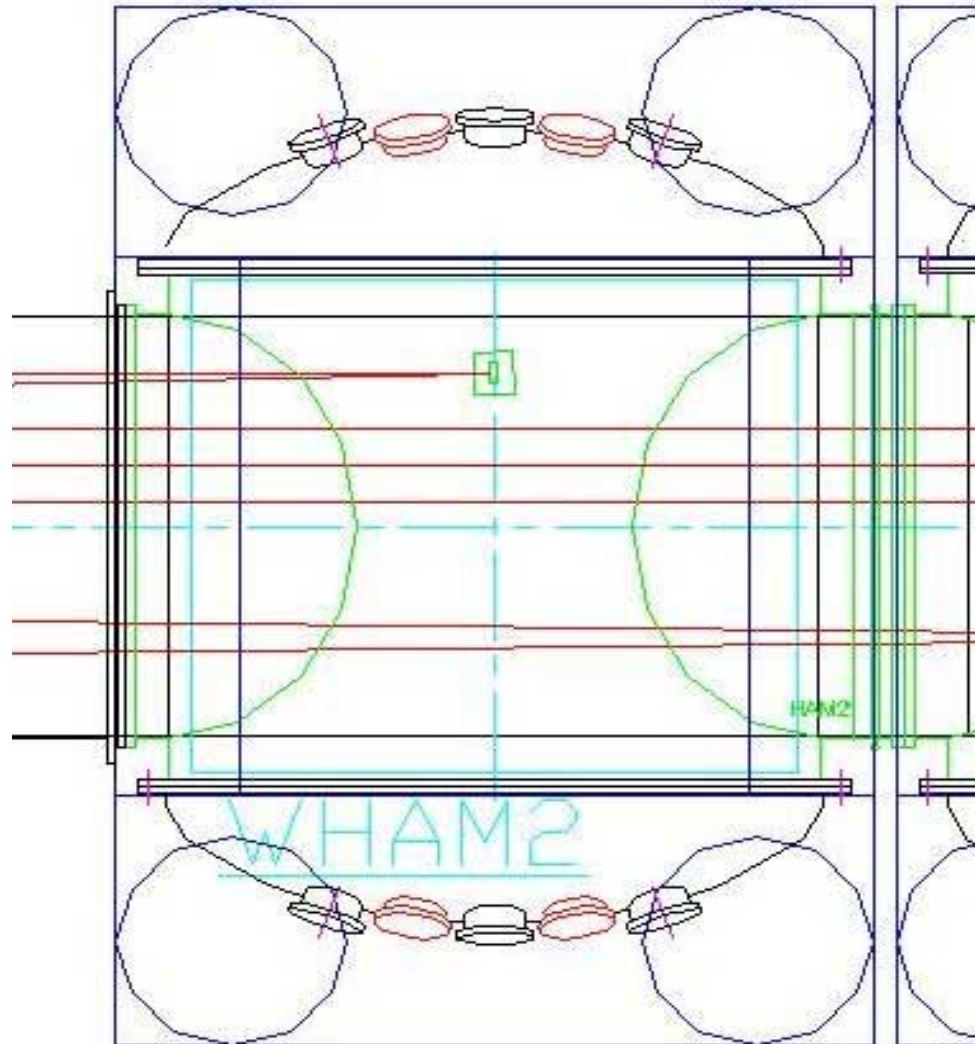
- With the exception of the Faraday isolator, all main IFO beam optics including and following the mode cleaner will be suspended.
- Diagnostic beam optics for IFO and MC control will be located on fixed mounts.
- Output ports in the HAMs used as optical feedthroughs for sensing beams.

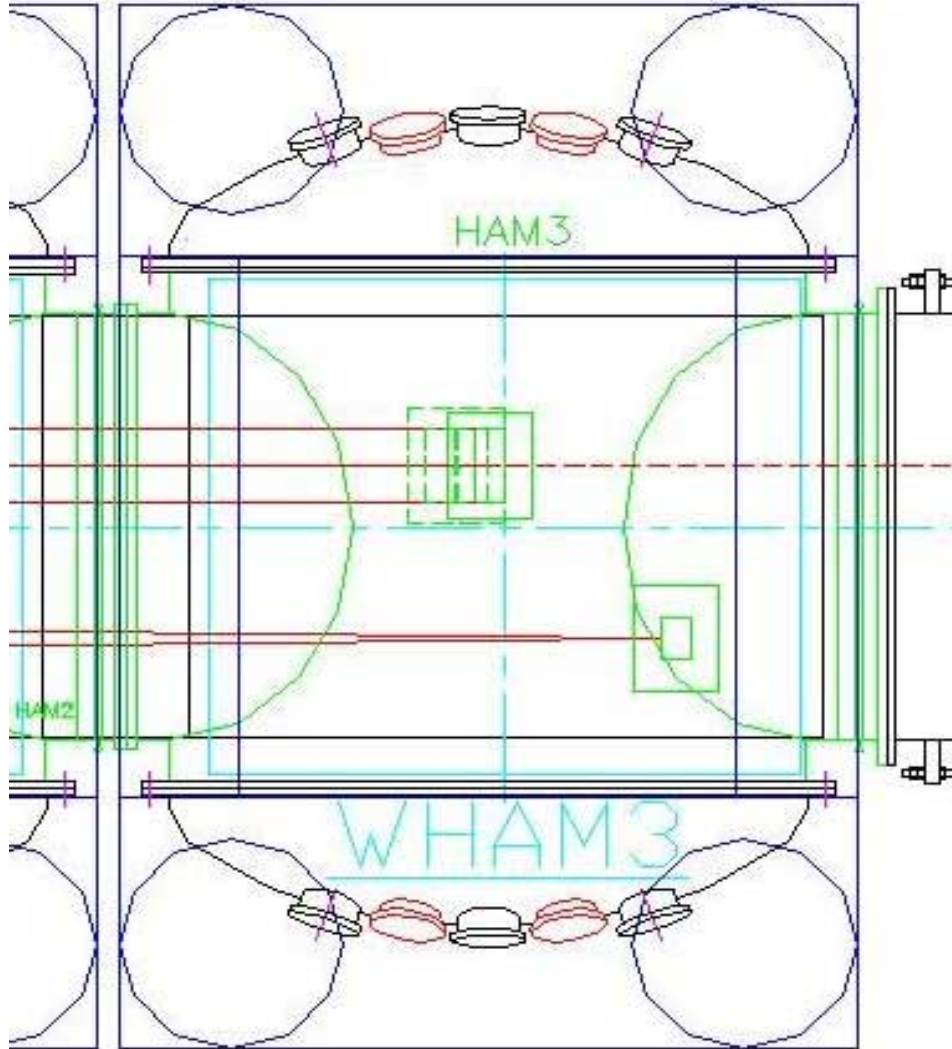




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# Dimensional Constraints

- IO system located on PSL table. HAMs 1, 2, and 3. HAM 3 also holds the power recycling mirror.
- Dimensions:

<i>Item</i>	<i>Unit</i>	<i>Value</i>
PSL table area dimensions	ft x ft	16 x 5
HAM1(7) - HAM2(8) spacing (center-center)	m	13.72
HAM2(8) - HAM3(9) spacing (center-center)	m	2.63
HAM1(7) stack area dimensions (L x W)	m x m	1.90 x 1.70 (TBR)
HAM2(8) stack area dimensions (L x W)	m x m	1.90 x 1.70 (TBR)
HAM3(9) stack area dimensions (L x W)	m x m	1.90 x 1.70 (TBR)
<b>HAM1,2 (7,8) Connecting Beam Tube Diameter</b>	<b>m</b>	<b>1.2*</b>

\* HAM1,2 and HAM 7,8 beam tube to be replaced



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## Dimensional Constraints, cont.

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$\Delta z$ (HAM1-HAM2, local coordinates, LHO)	mm	8.49 <sup>†</sup>
$\Delta z$ (HAM2-HAM3, local coordinates, LHO)	mm	1.59 <sup>†</sup>
$\Delta z$ (HAM7-HAM8, local coordinates, LHO)	mm	-8.49 <sup>†</sup>
$\Delta z$ (HAM8-HAM9, local coordinates, LHO)	mm	-1.59 <sup>†</sup>
$\Delta z$ (HAM1-HAM2, local coordinates, LLO)	mm	4.28 <sup>†</sup>
$\Delta z$ (HAM2-HAM3, local coordinates, LLO)	mm	0.80 <sup>†</sup>

<sup>†</sup> The LHO x-axis slopes downward by 0.619 mrad; the y-axis slopes upward by 0.012 mrad. WHAM1 (7) is 8.5 mm higher (lower) than WHAM2 (8). At LLO the x-axis slopes downward by 0.312 mrad and the y-axis slopes downward by 0.612 mrad. LHAM1 is 4.3 mm higher than LHAM2.

- Suspensions must either be raised on platform or have adjustment capability so that the plane of the MC beam is level
- Capability for optical levers on all suspended mirrors required.



# Overall IO Efficiency

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- Requirement: IO must deliver 76% of the PSL TEM<sub>00</sub> light to the IFO
- Includes all losses from reflection, transmission, and absorption in the IO optical components, as well as light lost into uncompensated higher order modes through thermal lensing.
- Transmission of the components of the IO components:
  - Suspended components assumed to have coatings similar those achieved in the LIGO I (~50 ppm loss)
  - Other optics assumed to have antireflection coatings that match the standard commercial narrowband multilayer coatings (0.1%).
  - Out-of-vacuum optics assumed to have 200 ppm scatter.
  - Loss of TEM<sub>00</sub> mode in the RF modulators and Faraday isolator are based on conservative estimates of passive thermal lensing compensation using –  $dn/dT$  values for FK51 Schott glass.



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<i>Item</i>	<i>Loss</i>	<i>TEM<sub>00</sub> Mode Loss</i>	<i>TEM<sub>00</sub> Transmittance</i>	<i>Integrated Transmittance</i>
RF mod./lenses	0.035	0.04 <sup>1</sup>	0.925	<b>0.925</b>
PSL mirrors (2)	0.002	0	0.998	<b>0.923</b>
MC mml (3)	0.002	0.0001	0.9979	<b>0.921</b>
HAM viewport	0.006	0.001	0.993	<b>0.915</b>
MC injection mirrors (3)	0.0006	0	0.9994	<b>0.914</b>
Mode cleaner	0.05 <sup>2</sup>	0.001	0.949	<b>0.868</b>
Faraday isolator	0.05	0.025 <sup>3</sup>	0.925	<b>0.805</b>
Steering mirror	0.033 <sup>4</sup>	0	0.967	<b>0.778</b>
MMT 1	0.0002	0	0.9998	<b>0.778</b>
MMT 2	0.0002	0	0.9998	<b>0.778</b>
Mode Matching	0	0.015	0.985	<b>0.763</b>

<sup>1</sup> Based on preliminary measurements of thermal lensing in rubidium titanyl arsenate.

<sup>2</sup> Losses include mode mismatch and cavity visibility.

<sup>3</sup> G. Mueller et al., *Classical and Quantum Gravity*, to appear, 05/2002.

<sup>4</sup> Assumes 5 W needed for PSL intensity stabilization; TBD.



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# MODULATION

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Material: RTP (back up RTA)

Properties	RTA	RTP	LiNbO3
Laser Damage Threshold [MW/cm <sup>2</sup> , 10ns 1064nm]	400	600 coated	280 <sup>b</sup>
$n_x$ @ 1064nm	1.8	1.9 <sup>a</sup>	2.23
$n_y$ @ 1064nm	1.8	1.9 <sup>a</sup>	2.23
$n_z$ @ 1064nm	1.9	1.9 <sup>a</sup>	2.16
$\alpha^c$ @ 1064 nm [1/cm]	50ppm	50ppm	≤0.5%
$r_{33}n_z^3$	273	272	306

- Half Wave Voltage within 10% of LiNbO<sub>3</sub>
- Thermal Lensing very small

Temperature Changes change Modulation Index:

$$\delta T \approx \frac{33\mu\text{K}}{\sqrt{\text{Hz}}} \frac{1}{m^2} \frac{f}{[10\text{Hz}]}$$

# MODULATOR

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## Modulator Design:

- **Material: RTP**
- **Temperatur stabilized**
- **Alignment very critical  
(active stabilized if necessary)**
- **Thermal Lensing very small  
(if needs compensation  $\Rightarrow$  FK51)**

## Oscillator Phase Noise:

**At the edge of state of the art Oscillators**  
**Very Critical !!**

# POINTING

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## Requirements:

- MC reduces pointing by factor 1000
- need active suppression (at least by 10..100)

## Actuators:

- PZT-mounted mirrors
- RTP-prisms (will be studied)

## Detection (under study):

- wave front sensing at MC or IFO
- Quad-Detector on HAM
- fixed spacer cavity on HAM

# POINTING-ACTUATOR

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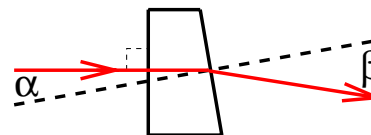
Assume Laser Pointing of

$$a_{10}(f) \approx 2 \cdot 10^{-6} / \sqrt{\text{Hz}} \quad f = 10 \text{ Hz}..10 \text{ kHz}$$

- Requirements:
- Actuator Range:  $\delta\beta \approx 7 \cdot 10^{-10}$  rad
  - Frequency Range: 10Hz..10kHz

Two Possible actuators:

- PZT-mounted mirrors:
  - a PZT on each side of the mirror
  - required length change  $\approx 10 \text{ pm}$
- RTP-prism:  $\delta n \approx 10^{-8} \Rightarrow \delta V = 1 \text{ V}$



# POINTING-DETECTION

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## Reference for Pointing:

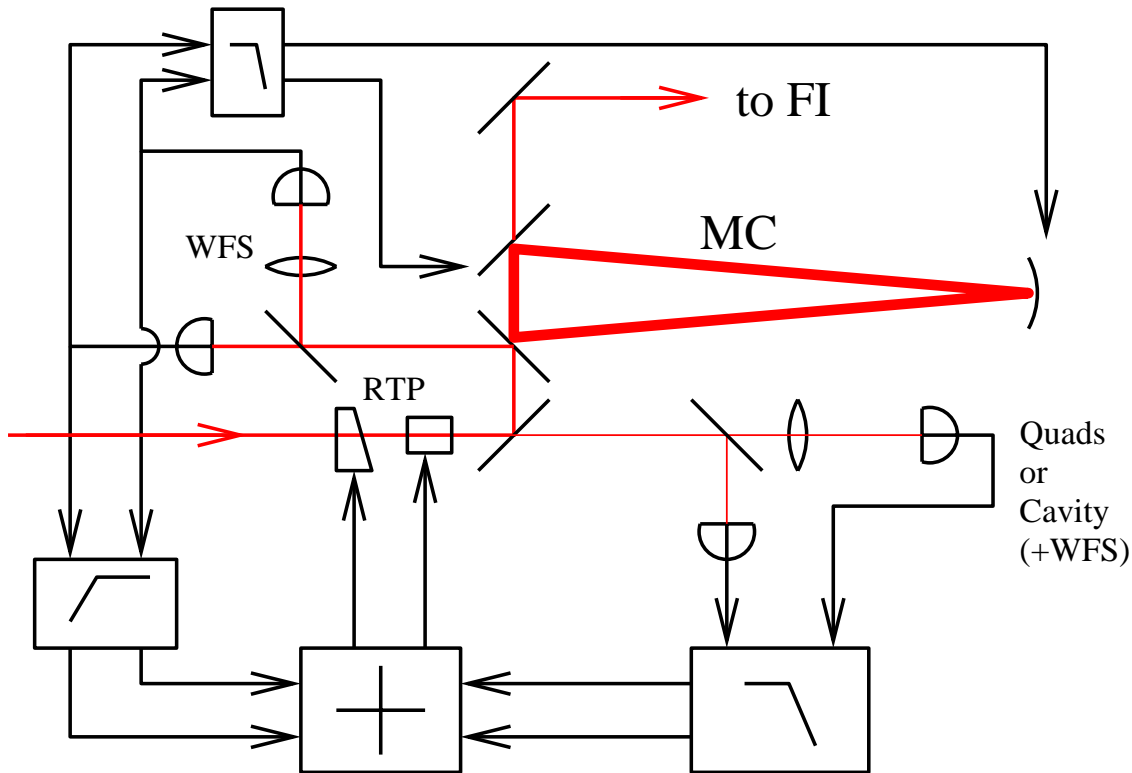
- below GW-band: HAM-table is reference
- in GW-band: Mode Cleaner is reference

## Detection of Pointing:

- below GW-band: Quad-Detector or fixed spacer cavity in front of MC
- in GW-band: Wave front sensing
  - below GW-band: aligns mode cleaner
  - above GW-band: suppresses pointing

# POINTING-DETECTION

## Concept:



- **WFS @ MC**
  - DC-10 Hz: align MC
  - > 10 Hz: align beam using RTP
- **WFS @ Fixed Spacer Cavity or Quad. Det.**
  - DC-10 Hz: align beam using PZT

# Mode Cleaner

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The suspended mode cleaner of the IO subsystem serves the following functions in stabilizing the laser light.

- In-band active frequency stabilization.
- Rejection of laser output not in the  $TEM_{00}$  mode. (Beam Jitter suppression.)
- Passive intensity and frequency stabilization above the cavity pole frequency.



# Mode Cleaner Physical Parameters

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- For cold cavity (0 W) and hot cavity (165 W).

<i>Definition</i>	<i>Unit</i>	<i>Cold</i>	<i>Hot</i>
Mode Cleaner Length	m	16.681	
MC1 radius of curvature	m	>10000	-733
MC2 radius of curvature	m	26.900	27.92
MC3 radius of curvature	m	>10000	-733
MC1+MC3 Intensity Reflectivity		0.9985	
MC2 Intensity Reflectivity		0.99999	
<i>g</i> -factor MC1		1.0	1.023
<i>g</i> -factor MC2		0.3799	0.4025
<i>g</i> -factor MC3		1.0	1.023
Cavity <i>g</i> factor		0.3799	0.4212
Mirror absorption/scatter loss	ppm	50	



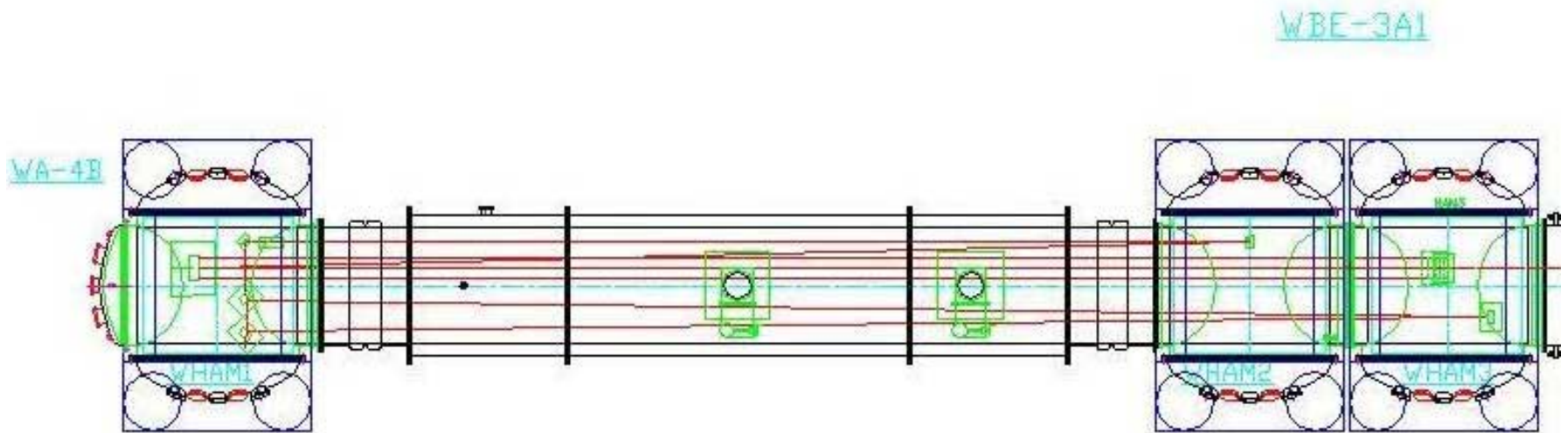


MC free spectral range	Hz	8986045	
MC finesse		2074	
MC waist	mm	2.102	2.114
Cavity Pole Frequency	Hz	4544	
Rayleigh range	m	13.06	13.99
Input Power	W	165	
Stored MC Power	kW	100	
MC mirror mass	kg	2.92	
MC mirror diameter	cm	15	
MC mirror thickness	cm	7.5	
Static Radiation pressure	N/m <sup>2</sup>	0.00035	



# Physical Layout

- Triangular cavity
- Triple-pendulum suspensions
- Fused silica mirrors
- Changes from the LIGO I mode cleaner:
  - slightly increased length (Mirrors occupy HAMs 1 and 3)
  - larger mass mirrors (Mirrors have 12-fold increase in mass)



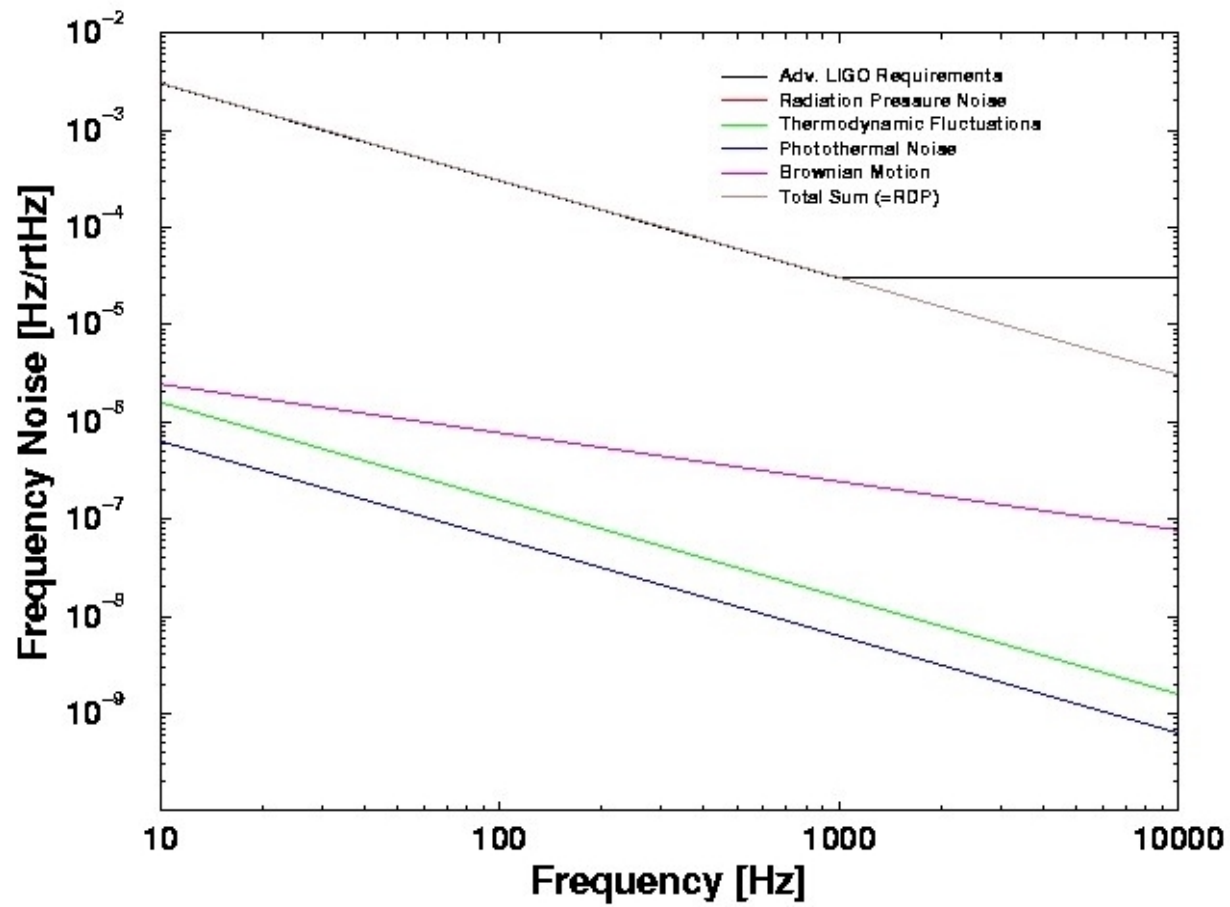
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# Frequency Noise

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- Frequency stability is limited by technical radiation pressure noise over the entire frequency range.
- This stability and the allowed frequency noise of the field going into the main interferometer set the requirements on the frequency stabilization loop gains.
- Expected frequency noise (+ individual contributions to the MC frequency noise)





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# Beam Jitter Stabilization

- The mode cleaner acts as a spatial filter, providing passive stabilization of time-dependent higher-order spatial modes.
- Attenuation of higher-order modes (amplitude) for cold/hot cavity, assuming PSL jitter spec of  $2 \times 10^{-6} / \text{Hz}^{1/2}$

<i>Index (n+m)</i>	<i>Amplitude transmission</i>		<i>Suppression Factor</i>		<i>Output Jitter</i>	
	<b>Cold</b>	<b>Hot</b>	<b>Cold</b>	<b>Hot</b>	<b>Cold</b>	<b>Hot</b>
1	0.00096	0.00100	1040	1004	1.92E-09	1.99E-09
2	0.00078	0.00077	1281	1304	1.56E-09	1.53E-09
3	0.00185	0.00146	540	687	3.70E-09	2.91E-09
4	0.00162	0.00243	616	412	3.25E-09	4.86E-09
5	0.00077	0.00082	1299	1222	1.54E-09	1.64E-09
6	0.00101	0.00085	986	1174	2.03E-09	1.70E-09
7	0.01190	0.00332	84	302	2.38E-08	6.63E-09
8	0.00092	0.00128	1089	782	1.84E-09	2.56E-09
9	0.00079	0.00076	1259	1317	1.59E-09	1.52E-09
10	0.00216	0.00108	462	927	4.33E-09	2.16E-09



11	0.00145	0.00875	689	114	2.90E-09	1.75E-08
12	0.00076	0.00093	1311	1075	1.53E-09	1.86E-09
13	0.00108	0.00078	928	1281	2.16E-09	1.56E-09
14	0.00596	0.00170	168	587	1.19E-08	3.41E-09
15	0.00088	0.00193	1135	519	1.76E-09	3.86E-09



# Thermal Distortion

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- Absorption → changes in effective radii of curvatures. Change of sagitta  $\delta s$ :

$$\delta s = \frac{\alpha}{4\pi\kappa} P_a$$

- $\alpha$ , thermal expansion coefficient;  $\kappa$  heat conductivity; and  $P_a$  absorbed power.
- Based on coating absorption coefficient of 1 ppm, fused silica mirror:

$$\delta s \approx 3nm$$

- Radii of flats → -733 m;  $R$  of curved mirror changes from 26.9 m to 27.9 m
- Substrate acts as thermal lens for input and output beams:

$$\delta s = \frac{\partial n}{\partial T} \frac{P_a}{4\pi\kappa}$$

- Using (fused silica) 1 ppm/cm, effective sagitta change of transmitted beam is:

$$\delta s \approx 1nm$$

- The induced focal length of about 1 km neither changes the beam quality nor affects the mode matching.



# Alignment Procedure

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- Use fixtures for installation of the suspended mirrors
- Fixed targets for initial beam alignment using the PSL laser (suspensions need to accommodate these).
- In-air and in-vacuum resonance measurements for fine beam alignment
- Measure free spectral range for final length adjustment.
- Will be tested at LASTI.

## Mode Cleaner Mode Matching

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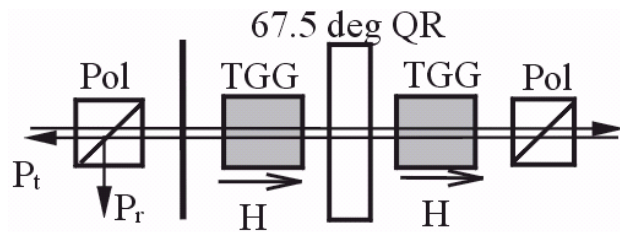
- Baseline system resembles closely LIGO I three-lens configuration.



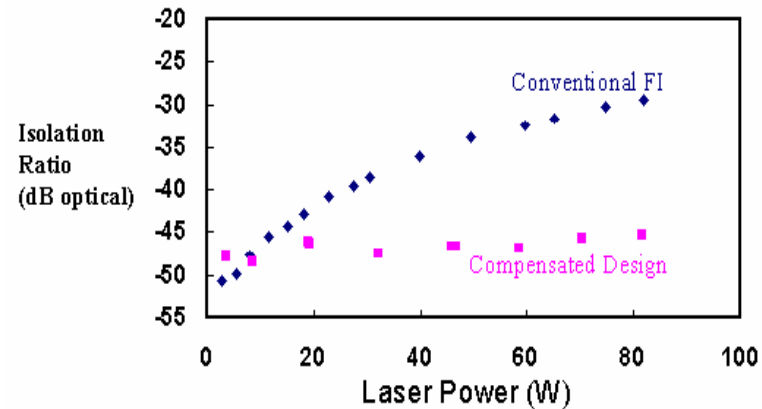


# Faraday Isolator I

- Conventional FIs limited to ~20-30 dB isolation at high powers
  - » depolarization from thermo-elastic deformation
- Compensated crystal design approaches 45 dB isolation



» limited by polarizers



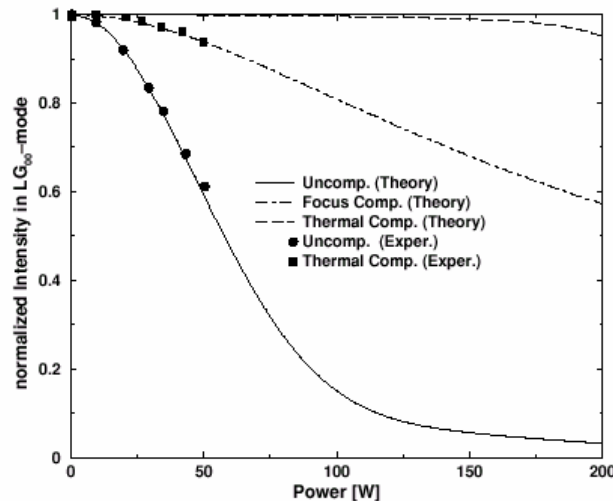
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- Location of FI between MC and PRM

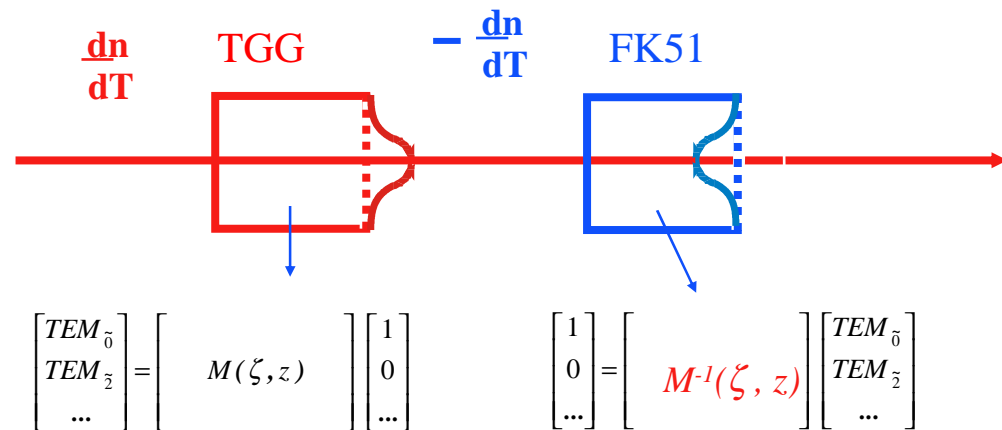
- » isolates MC from IFO loss lock (rad pressure ‘kick’ to MC mirrors)

- » no need to suspend:  $\delta f = 1.5 \times 10^{-12} \frac{\text{Hz}}{\sqrt{\text{Hz}}} \left( \frac{10 \text{Hz}}{f} \right)^2 \left( \frac{\delta x_{\text{seismic}}}{2 \times 10^{-13}} \right)$

- » thermal lensing in TGG a problem; but can be compensated

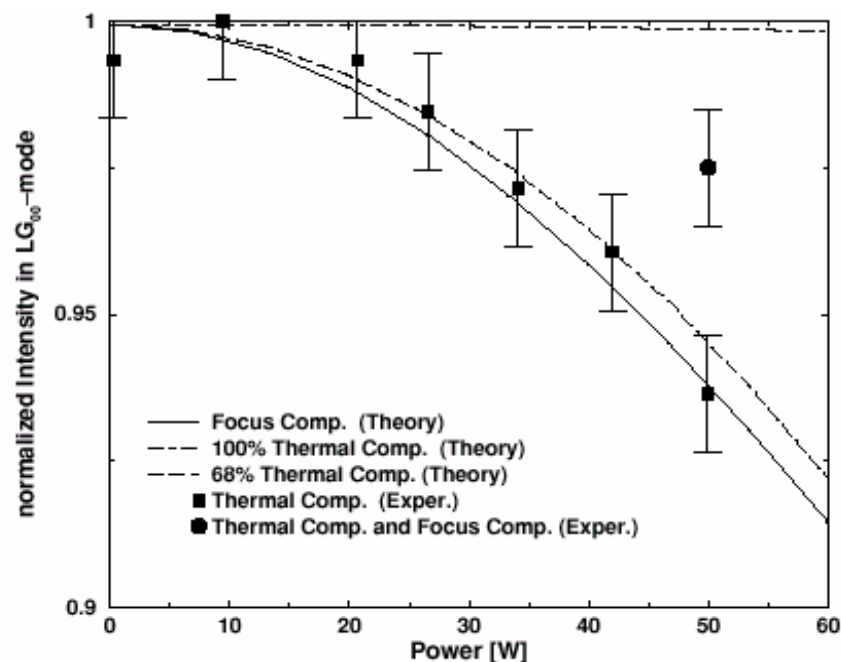


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# Faraday Isolator III

- Experiment:
  - » highly absorbing TGG
  - » 97.5% TEM<sub>00</sub> mode at power levels of **150 W**
- FI Design Process
  - » screen for low  $\alpha$  TGG
  - » build, test isolation unit
  - » determine optimal FK51 length for best compensation
  - » build, test integrated compensated FI





# Mode Matching Telescope

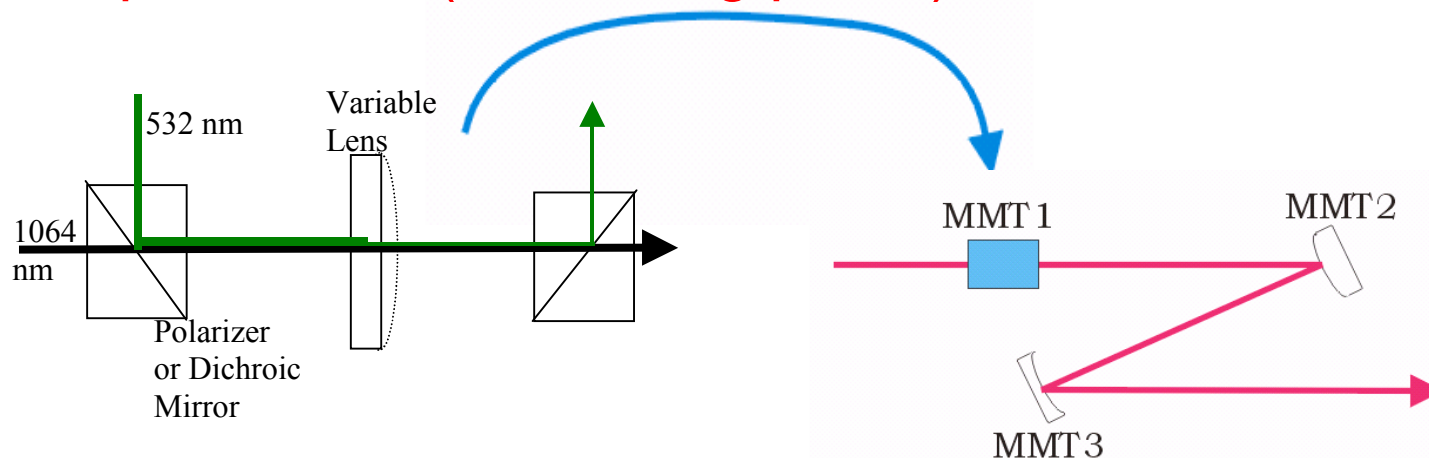
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- Two mirror design
  - » LIGO I uses three mirrors
    - can compensate for waist size, position mismatch
    - requires (multiple) vacuum excursions
  - » MMT1 is small 3” optic (SOS)
    - could be MC sized optic if stack resonances are a problem
  - » MMT2 is PRM-sized optic (both size and suspension)
- Third element is adaptive
  - » no vacuum excursions
- Detailed design needs final core optics configuration
- Pointing and alignment stability
  - » stacks, suspensions very quiet<sup>1</sup>; meets requirements

<sup>1</sup>LIGO-T000053-01-D “Cavity Optics Suspension Subsystem Design Requirements Document, P. Willems, et al.

# Adaptive Mode-Matching I

- Thermal effects in Advanced LIGO IFOs
  - » sapphire core optics; 800 KW arm cavity powers; 2 operating points
- Measuring higher order LG modes possible
  - » Bullseye design for LIGO I
- ➔ Adaptive MMT (no moving parts!)





# Adaptive Mode-Matching II

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- variable lens material: OG590 Schott glass
  - transmittance @ 1064 nm:  $>0.9999 P_{\text{incident}}$ , 532 nm:  $<0.00001 P_{\text{incident}}$
  - scatter: 0.03 – 0.10 mm<sup>2</sup> of cross sectional area for 100 mm<sup>3</sup> volume
  - mounted directly to table
- heating laser: DPSS Nd:VO<sub>4</sub>, 532 nm (could use different  $\lambda$ )
  - 10 W
  - amplitude and pointing stability TBD
  - waist: 6 mm at glass
- lensing
  - 1064 waist: 2-3 mm
  - $\Delta\text{OPD}$  @ 532 nm:  $\sim 10^{-6}$  m/W;  $\Delta\text{OPD}$  @ 1064 nm:  $\sim 0.2-0.3 \times 10^{-6}$  m/W
  - effective focal length range for 1064 nm: + 9.4 m to infinity



# Adaptive Mode-Matching III

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- Preliminary Design Plan
  - » detailed MMT design using 2 mirrors + variable lens
  - » thermal modal modeling
    - optimal ratio of waist sizes
  - » prototype table top demonstration
    - characterization of effective mode matching range
    - characterization of modal distortions

Cost estimate (based on T. Frey work of summer 2001)

IO Subsystem Management		225,150
IO Design		1,360,977
IO Fabrication		3,170,122
Modulation/jitter suppression	3 x	195,426
Mirror blanks	3 x	182,615
Mirror polishing	3 x	212,200
Mirror coatings	3 x	116,290
Metrology	3 x	14,700
Isolator	3 x	296,640
Tooling and installation		116,500
Total		4,756,250

This is for 4 subsystems (i.e., includes IO components for LASTI)