

# Charging Overview

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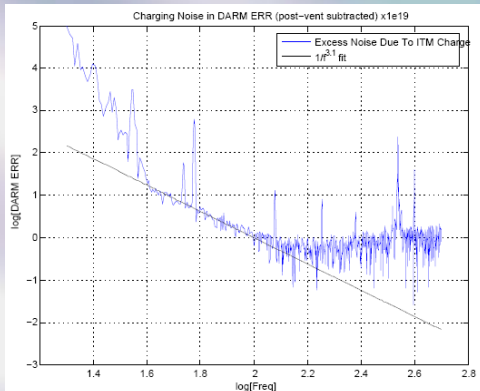
# Markov Theory of Gaussian Noise

$$S_F(f) \approx 2 \langle F^2 \rangle / (\pi \tau (1/\tau^2 + (2 \pi f)^2))$$

$$\langle F^2 \rangle = Q^2 / (4 d^2)$$

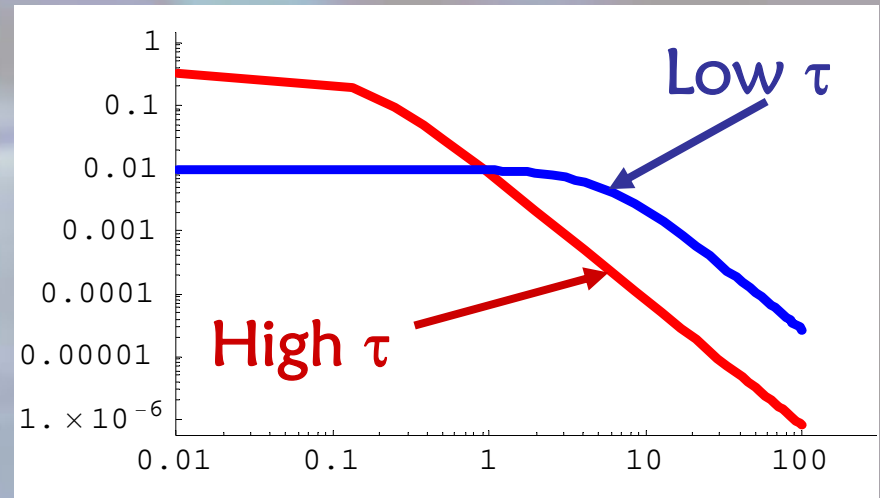
## February 2006 LLO Event

- ITMy hits earthquake stop
- Low frequency noise  $\sim f^{-3}$



Charge Noise Observed at LLO

## Force Noise Level



For  $f > 1 / (2 \pi \tau)$   
 amplitude noise  $\sim f^3$



# Possible Mitigation Strategies

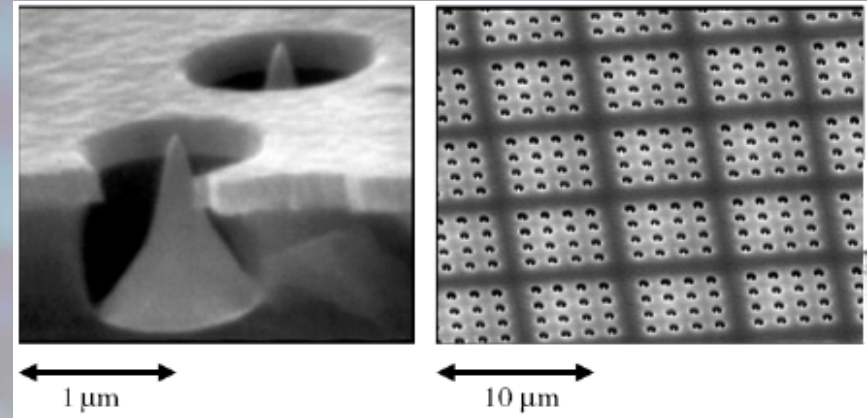
## Ultraviolet Light

- Directly applied to optic
- Indirectly used to liberate charge from nearby surfaces

## Ion Gun

- Shoot low energy ions near optic

## Spindt Cathode Ion Source



Viton Tipped Earthquake Stop

## Choice of Materials

- Silica-tipped earthquake stops
- Carbon nanotube First Contact
- Conducting coatings/surfaces



# Progress on Parameter Measuring

## Correlation Time $\tau$

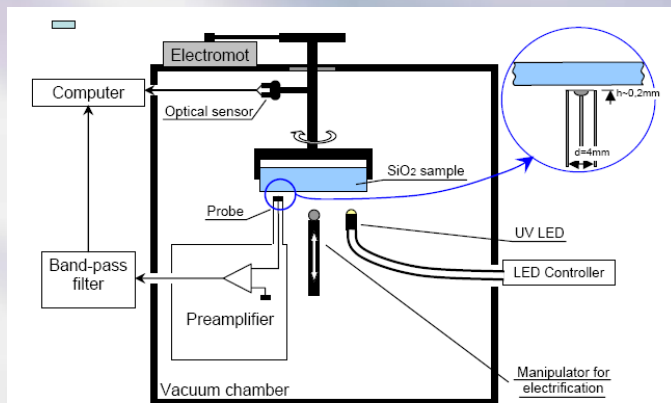
- Dirty Optic – Trinity  
170 days ( $1.5 \cdot 10^6$  s)
- Clean Optic - MSU  
at least 8000 hours ( $2.9 \cdot 10^7$  s)

## Distance $d$

- ESD – 3 mm?
- Earthquake Stop Shaft – 4 mm
- Earthquake Stop Tip – 0.5 mm

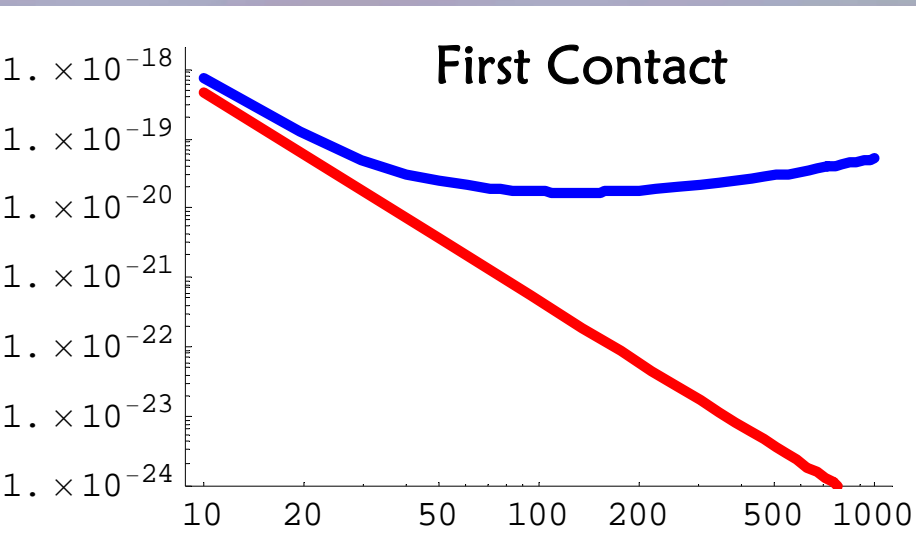
## Charging $Q$

- Viton contact – MSU  
at least  $5 \cdot 10^8$  e<sup>-</sup> in 5 mm contact circle
- Silica contact – MSU  
 $5 \cdot 10^6$  e<sup>-</sup> in 5 mm contact circle
- Dust friction – MSU  
 $\sim 10^5$  e<sup>-</sup>/cm<sup>2</sup> ( $10^{-14}$  C/cm<sup>2</sup>)
- First Contact – MSU, Trinity  
Regular: at least  $10^9$  e<sup>-</sup>/cm<sup>2</sup>  
Carbon Nanotube:  $10^8$ – $10^9$  e<sup>-</sup>/cm<sup>2</sup>





# Adv LIGO Noise from First Contact

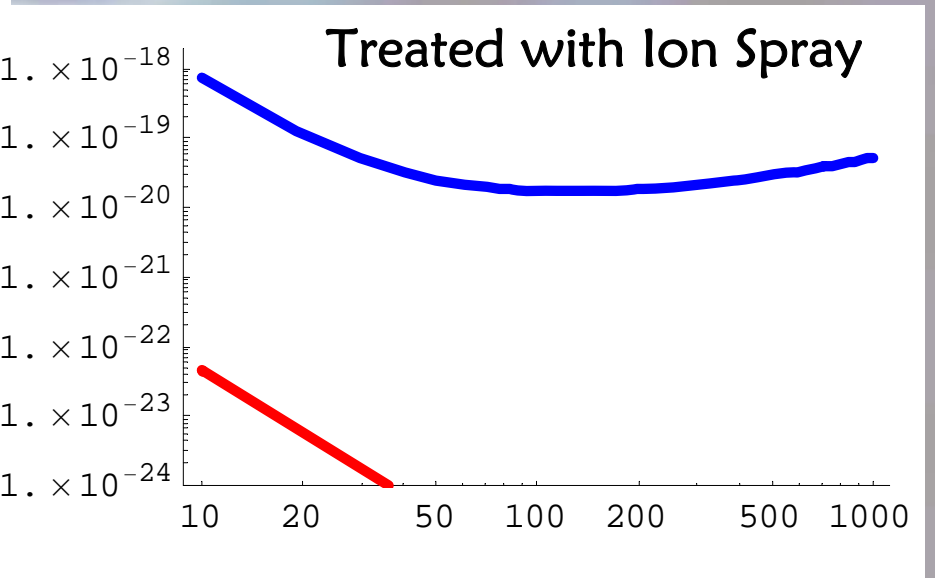


Carbon Nanotubes

- $Q/A = 10^{-11} \text{ C/cm}^2$
- $d = 4 \text{ mm}$
- $\tau = 2.9 \cdot 10^7 \text{ s}$

After Ion Spray

- $Q/A = 10^{-14} \text{ C/cm}^2$
- $d = 4 \text{ mm}$
- $\tau = 2.9 \cdot 10^7 \text{ s}$





# AdvLIGO Noise Scenarios

Contact with Silica Earthquake Stop

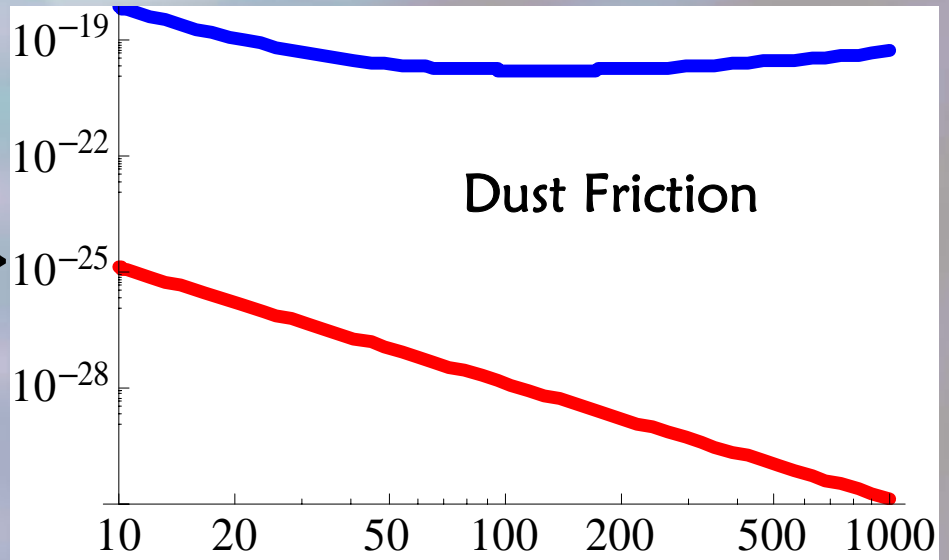
$10^4$  below expected sensitivity at 100 Hz

Charging from Cosmic Rays

$10^{16}$  below expected sensitivity at 100 Hz

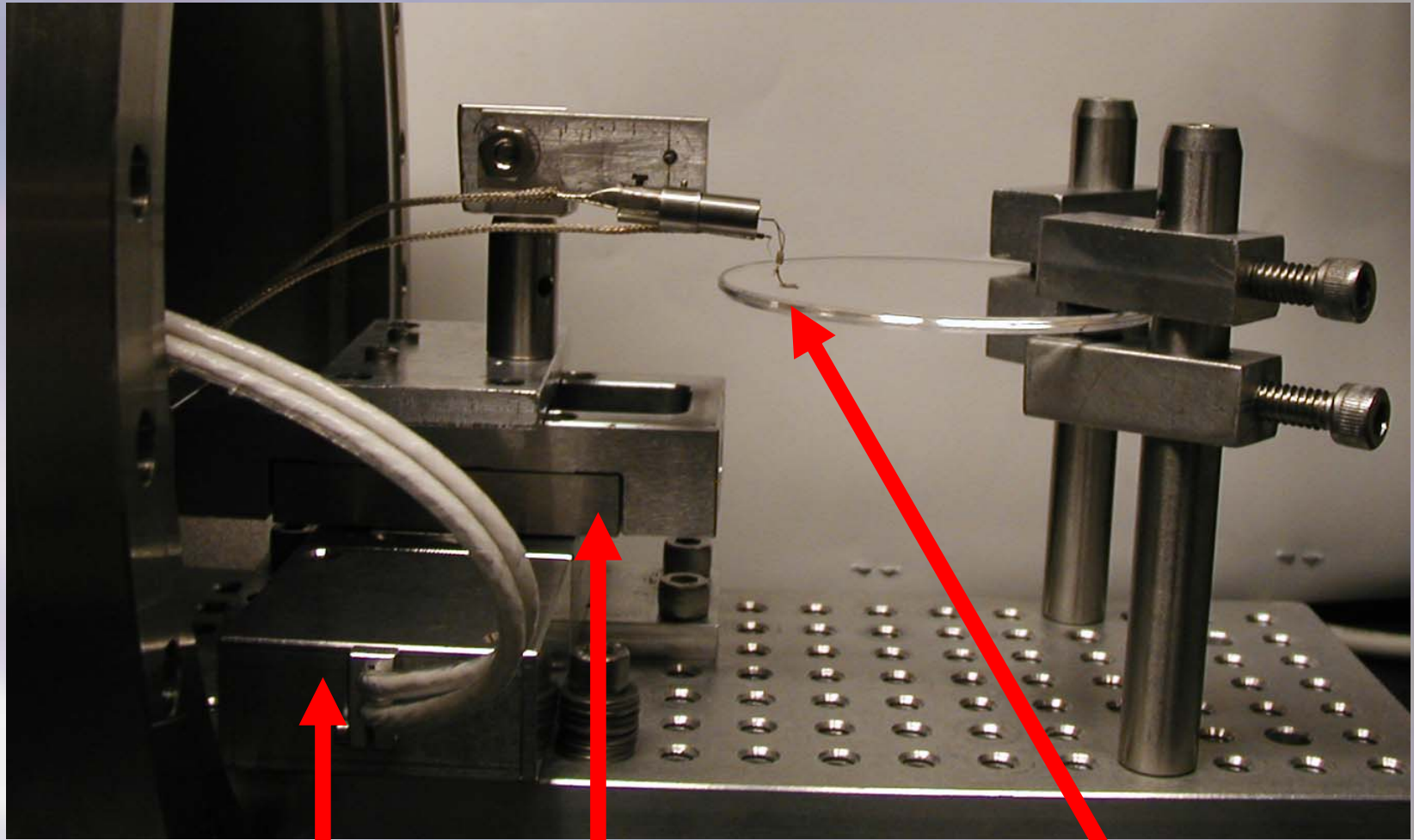
Friction with Dust

- $Q/A = 10^{-14} \text{ C/cm}^2$
- $d = 4 \text{ mm}$
- $t = 1.5 \cdot 10^6 \text{ s}$





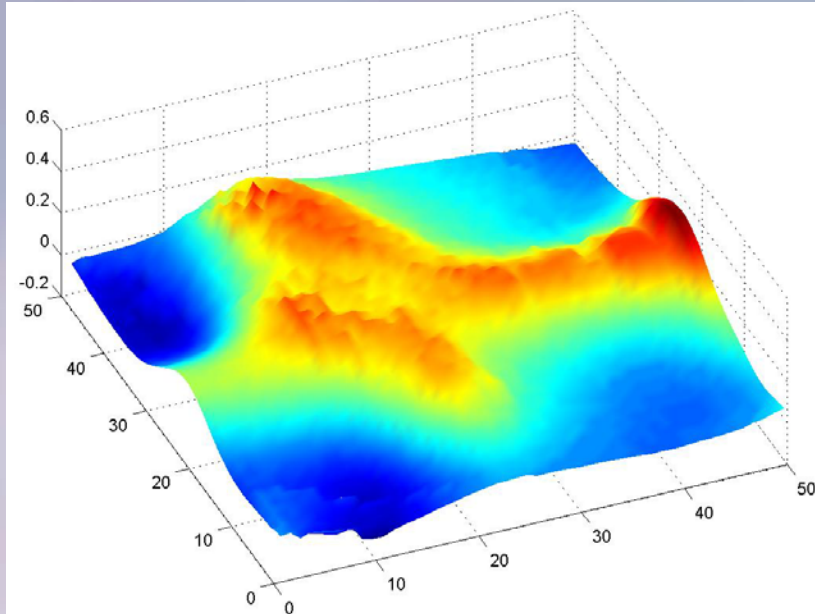
# Two-Dimensional Charge Mapping Setup at Trinity



Orthogonal, in-vacuum motorized stages

Besocke Kelvin probe

# Recent Results from Trinity



Positive Charging  
From Viton

- Positive and negative charge on same sample
  - Ethanol wash - negative
  - Viton - positive “cross”
- UV removes only positive
- Successive applications of viton  $\Rightarrow$  smaller time constants
  - Conductive film left?
- Carbon Nanotube First Contact leaves  $\sim 2 \times 10^8 e^-/\text{cm}^2$ 
  - Improvement; still troubling
- Plan to investigate  $\tau$  vs surface conditions

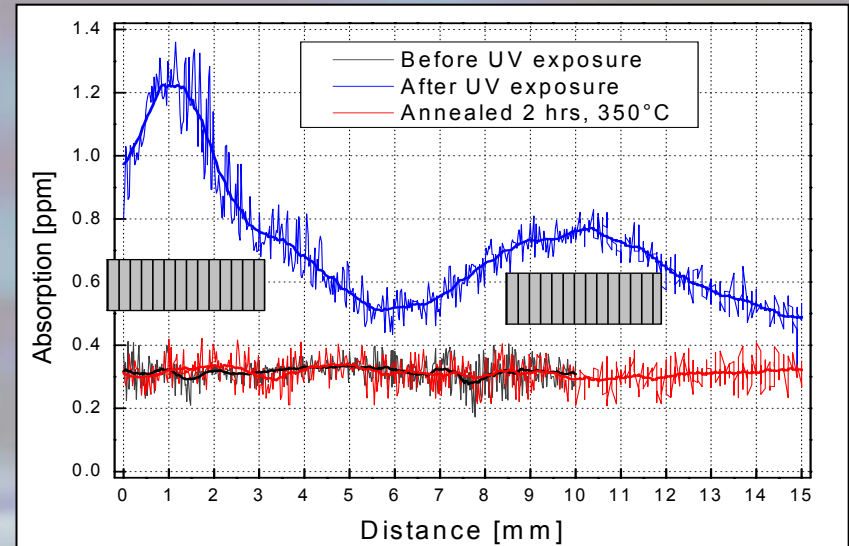




# Stanford Status and Plans

## Mitigation with UV

- Annealing repairs UV damage to coating (2 hours /350° C)
- First Contact partially shields coating from UV



## Seismic noise coupling through charged stop

- Must be  $< 10^{-6}$  C/m<sup>2</sup> on stop tip to avoid excess noise
- Plans to investigate conductive coating

## Conductive Coating

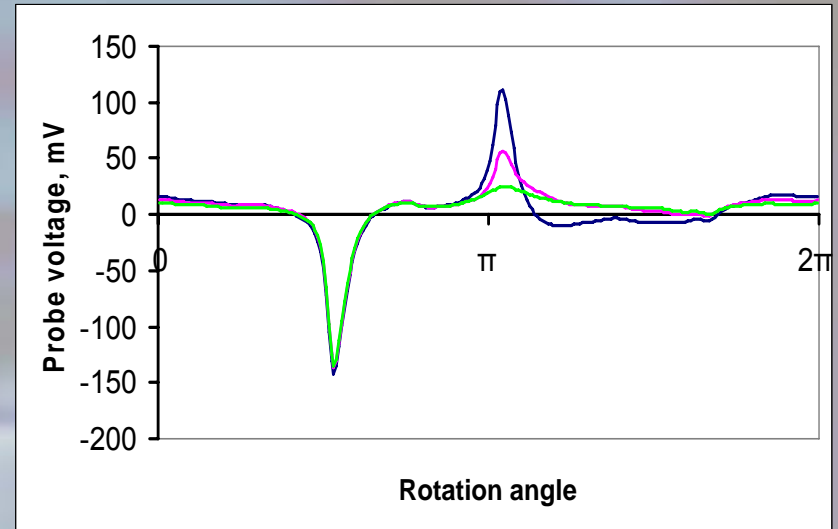
- $\sim G\Omega$ /sq sufficient
- Could move charge away from coating to allow UV to act
- Plan to study materials



# Recent Results at Moscow

- UV mitigation of positive charge
  - $\lambda = 265 \text{ nm}$
  - Intensity  $\sim 20 \mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$
  - Negative charge responds but nearby positive increases
  - $|Q| < 10^6 \text{ e}/\text{cm}^2$ , charge increases with UV
- Friction charge from pumpdown dust
  - No more than  $10^5 \text{ e}/\text{cm}^2$
  - Outgassing may play a role

## UV Mitigation of Positive Charge

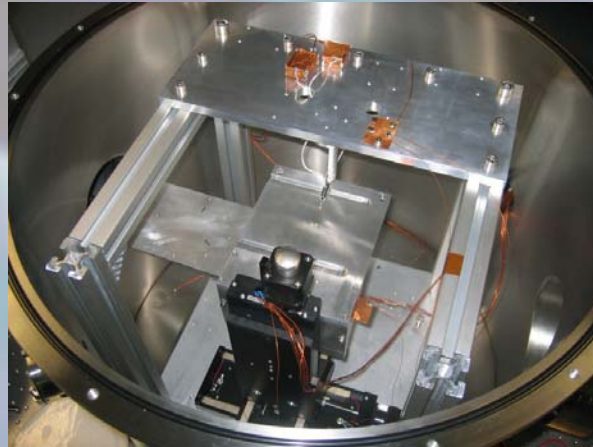


- Carbon Nanotube First Contact received
  - Check Trinity result
  - Some question of First Contact type at Trinity

# Glasgow Status

A Kelvin probe experimental chamber has been commissioned, including:

- a 3-axis manipulation stage with +/-50mm travel
- a Besocke Delta Phi Kelvin probe (identical to Trinity University)
- a sample loading chamber to minimise pumping downtime
- the possibility of UV discharge and electron irradiation

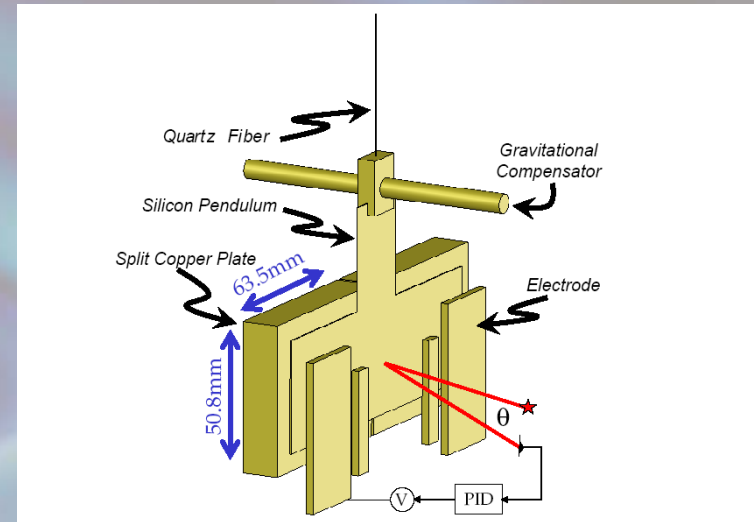


- we plan to study the effect of  $\tau$  on sample cleanliness
- the surface conductivity of different varieties of FirstContact
- the force noise due to charge distributions using a torsion balance in the same vacuum tank

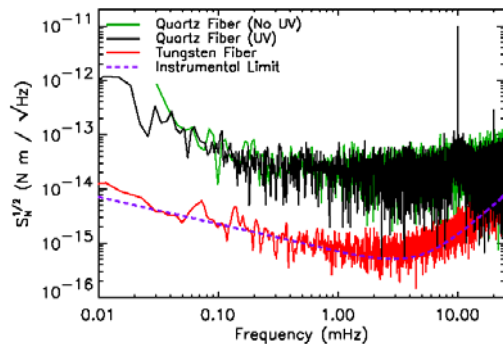
# Plans for Direct Measurement

- UWashington torsional pendulum to directly measure charge noise
- Noise vs earthquake stop separation vs charge amount vs silica cleanliness
- Observe in vacuum noise improvement with UV

## Torsional Pendulum



- Build on LISA experience
- Minimal changes needed to apparatus
- UWashington plans to apply for LSC membership in December



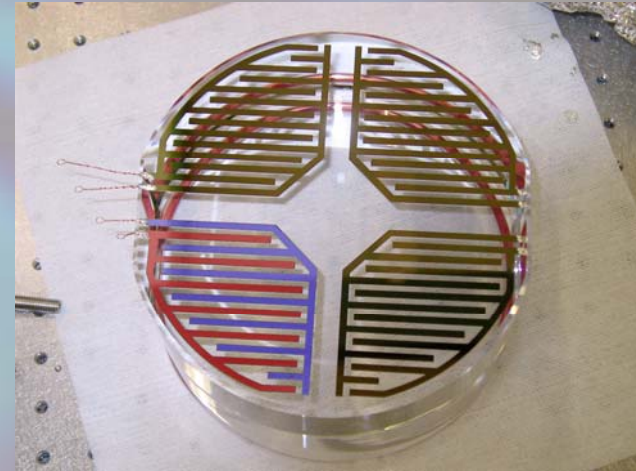
Floating Pendulum Shows Excess Noise



# Modeling and Theory Needs

- **Modeling: Finite Element and Analytical**

- Electro-static drive
  - actuation, gold coating, calibration, dynamic range, etc.
- GEO ESD charging event
- DC forces, engineering concerns
- Cosmic ray charging – GEANT?



- **Theoretical work – under consideration at UTexas Brownsville (Rakhmanov)**

- Two charged dielectrics in Markov model
- Moving ground planes in Markov model
- Noise from dipole charges
- Color centers effects on charging and discharging

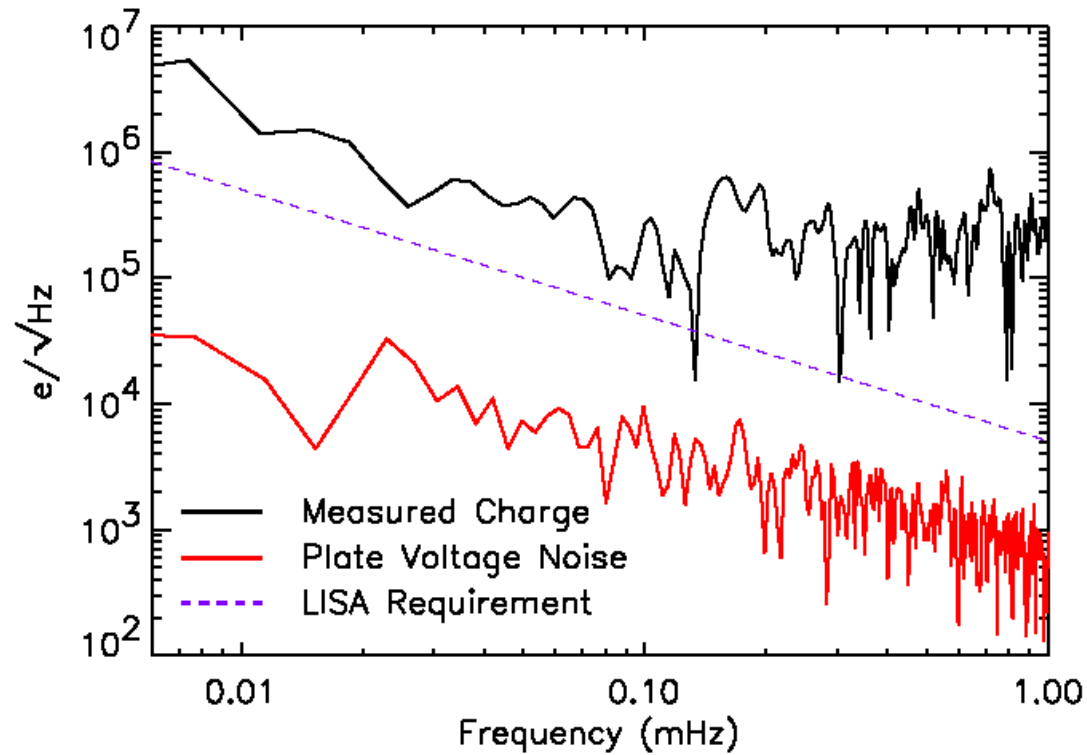


# Future Experimental Plans

- **Further study of parameters**
  - Charging from dust friction
  - Charging from removal of First Contact
  - Charging from contact with ESD (as happened in GEO)
  - Relationship of cleanliness with correlation time
- **Measurement of noise from charging**
  - UWash, ANU?, TNI?, LASTI?
- **Cleanliness studies**
  - Can First Contact charge be removed in a clean way?
- **Further Development of mitigation techniques**
  - Indirect UV
  - Conductive coatings
  - Ion gun
- **Study non-Gaussian noise including cosmic rays**



# Backup





# Other Charging Issues

## Potential Problems

Direct coupling to noisy environment

SUS Support Structure

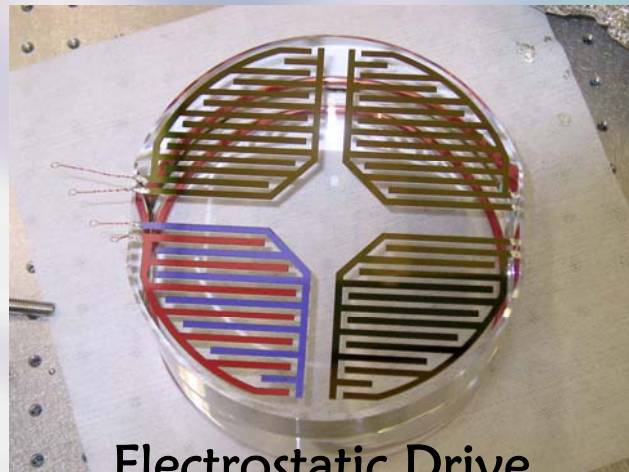
Environmental electric fields

Non-Gaussian Noise

Cosmic Rays

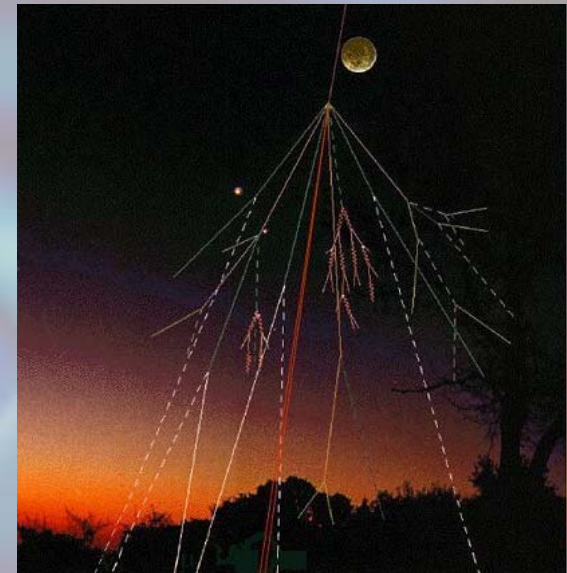
Other Charging Events

Charge Motions



Electrostatic Drive

## Cosmic Ray Shower



Interactions with Electrostatic Drive

Noise

Effects on Actuation

More Complexity in Gaussian Noise

Dipoles

Two Dielectric Surfaces