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**RESEARCH in LIGO**

**( UF Proposal to NSF )**

**General, Simulations, Data Analysis, DAQ -  
G. Mitselmakher**

**IOO for Initial LIGO - D. Tanner**

**R@D for Advanced LIGO - D. Reitze**

**Six faculty with broad background,  
coherent and well organized group:**

- **High Energy physics ( Avery, Mitselmakher ) -  
instrumentation, computing, data  
analysis, management of large experiments,**
- **Lasers, optics, condensed matter experiments  
( Reitze, Tanner )**
- **Computational physics, noise analysis ( Coldwell )**
- **Theoretical astrophysics, GW-signals ( Whiting )**

**Goals in LIGO:**

**participation in Initial LIGO including :**

- **Input Optics - design and construction,**
- **contributions to DAQ, computing,**
- **contributions to operations ( possibly Louisiana site )**
- **simulations  
IO simulations, noise and signal simulations**
- **contributions to data analysis  
model independent noise ( signal ) characterisation**

**participation in Advanced LIGO R&D:**

- **dual recycling and resonant sideband extraction**
- **optical materials and coatings**

# *IFO Modeling and Simulations*

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## *Initial LIGO - Input Optics/Core Optics Simulations*

(Compatibility with LIGO: fully integratable in AVS environment)

### Paraxial Ray and Modal Propagation Analysis:

- overall input optics design and layout; aberration analysis
- frequency response during locked operation from “twiddled components”
- mode cleaner cavity design; mode parameters; higher order mode suppression
- mode-matching telescope design; static core optics coupling efficiency; jitter contributions to in-band noise

## *Signal and Noise Simulation in LIGO*

- validation of approach to signal/noise characterization
- modeling of locked response to “GW” signal and noise

## *Advanced R&D - Dual Recycling Tabletop IFO Simulations*

# *Input Optics Modeling and Simulations*

*(Tanner, Reitze)*

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*Performed as part of Input Optics Design Requirements Review, Nov. 7, 1996*

- Gaussian modal modeling of mode-cleaner, 2 and 4 km IFO core optics including Fabry-Perot and recycling cavities
- Gaussian modal modeling of reflective IFO mode-matching telescope
  - telescope design
  - higher modal contamination
  - aberration analysis
- Gaussian modal modeling of mode-cleaner mode-matching telescope
- high order modal modeling of beam misalignment ( $\omega$  dependence)
  - beam drift
  - beam jitter
  - initial alignment procedure

P. Avery

# Data Handling and Computing in LIGO

- **Some familiar problems from HEP**

- High data acquisition rate

- Storage medium*

- Filtering*

- Reliability*

- Large data volume

- Compression*

- Distribution*

- Copying*

- Finding small signals in large noise*

- Large computing capacity

- Omnidirectional searches*

- Need for parallel computing strategies*

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# UF Role in Data Handling and Computing

## • Develop LIGO “data model”

- Data Model  $\Rightarrow$  Everything connected with handling and management of data

- Why?

*Provides documentation and common language*

*Can design for consistent behavior*

*Decouple higher functions from lower*

*Manage change in the experiment!!!*

*$\Rightarrow$  Avoid self-inflicted wounds.*

## • Parallel computing and databases

- Experience with current “Nile” project, NSF funded National Challenge computing project, plus previous projects.
- Both problems are important for LIGO

## • Computing infrastructure

- Languages
- Interfaces
- Simulation and analysis environments

In association with MIT-Caltech computing people

G. Mitselmacher

**LIGO Data Analysis:**

**Whiting, Coldwell - currently involved in a methodology development**

**Avery, Reitze, Tanner + postdocs + grad students - in the future**

**Immediate goal:**

- **development of methodology of model independent noise ( and possibly signal ) characterization**
- **experience with similar problems ( Coldwell ) - Supernova gamma-rays, X-rays, nuclear gamma rays**
- **complementary to the templates approach**

## Data Analysis: Noise Characterization

- 1) All experimenters report non-gaussian “noise” in their output - signal which lies far from the mean with a frequency which greatly exceeds that to be expected on the basis of purely gaussian statistics.
- 2) Most long runs of data also seem to be composed of stretches which are “quieter”, along with stretches which could be characterized as “less-quiet”, i.e. more noisy.
- 3) We plan to obtain an intricate characterization of the data as composed of different types of noise, along with an estimation of the statistical properties of the various components.
- 4) In principle, this will allow a subsequent identification of non-noise components in real data. Through this approach, certain signals which cannot be easily modeled, such as, for example, bursts, could perhaps be recognized in a parameter-independent way.
- 5) Such an analysis, including cross-correlation of Gaussian and non-gaussian noises in the 2 km and 4 km interferometers, would appear to be a vital part of being able to identify components of a stochastic gravitational background, itself with very noise-like properties.
- 6) As members of the construction team, we are working towards looking at existing real data from the 40-meter interferometer as soon as possible, to initiate our program, and gain first hand experience at characterizing noise.



## Data Analysis: Details of Proposal

A practical way to commence this analysis might go as follows:

- i) Fourier transform small stretches of data,
- ii) From sequences of such stretches, construct frequency vs time representations of longer data intervals, and express the results in terms of some convenient basis functions (e.g. splines),
- iii) Attempt to identify quieter and noisier patches, and obtain independent characterization, including statistical properties (probably carried out utilizing non-linear optimization techniques),
- iv) Corroborate our identification and characterization by reference to operators of the 40-meter, and even to an operating interferometer,
- v) Test our ability to identify foreign components, e.g. artificially introduced modification of data streams.
- vi) Develop schemes to handle data from co-located instruments to give joint characterization of correlated and uncorrelated noise sources.

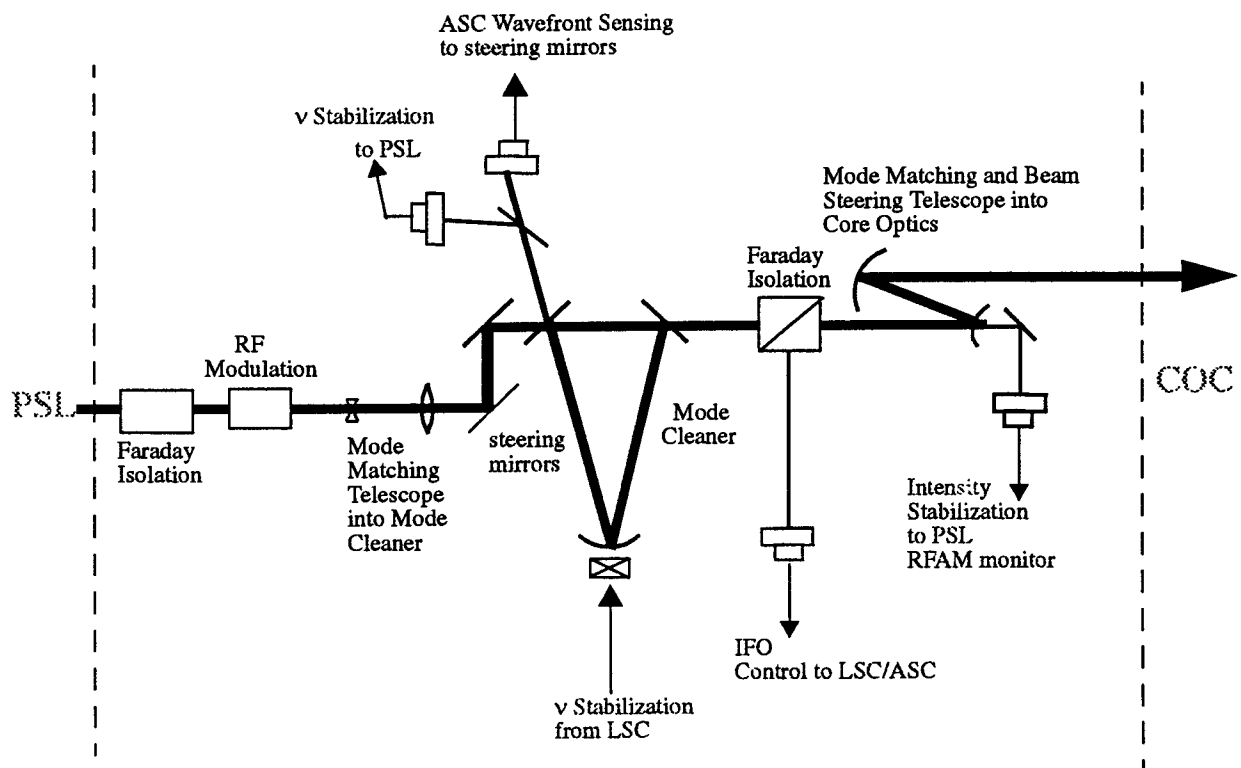
### Epilogue:

We recognize that all attempts to use templates or other forms of optimally matched filtering require a detailed knowledge of the noise statistics in order to be able to achieve their designed performance criteria. Thus the work proposed will play an important part even when a high degree of modeling is being used in searches for known types of sources.

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| Item  | 1998-99 |    |                | IOO  |     |                | Sim  |     |                | D.R. |     |                | Mat  |     |               |
|---|---------|----|----------------|------|-----|----------------|------|-----|----------------|------|-----|----------------|------|-----|---------------|
|   | no      | o  | amt            | no   | o   | amt            | no   | o   | amt            | no   | mo  | amt            | no   | mo  | amt           |
| <b>Faculty Salary</b>                       |         |    |                |      |     |                |      |     |                |      |     |                |      |     |               |
| 1 Guenakh Mitselmakher                      | 1       | 1  |                | 1    | 0.5 |                | 1    | 0.5 |                | 1    |     |                | 1    |     |               |
| 2 Paul Avery                                | 1       | 1  |                | 1    |     |                | 1    | 1.0 |                | 1    |     |                | 1    |     |               |
| 3 Robert Coldwell                           | 1       | 2  |                | 1    | 1.0 |                | 1    | 1.0 |                | 1    |     |                | 1    |     |               |
| 4 David H. Reitze                           | 1       | 1  |                | 1    | 0.3 |                | 1    |     |                | 1    | 0.5 |                | 1    | 0.2 |               |
| 5 David B. Tanner                           | 1       | 1  |                | 1    | 0.4 |                | 1    |     |                | 1    | 0.4 |                | 1    | 0.2 |               |
| 6 Bernard Whiting                           | 1       | 1  |                | 1    |     |                | 1    | 1.0 |                | 1    |     |                | 1    |     |               |
| <i>Total Senior Personnel</i>               | 6       | 7  | 48,538         | 6    | 2   | 15,821         | 6    | 4   | 22,887         | 6    | 0.9 | 6,744          | 6    | 0.4 | 3,087         |
| <b>Other Personnel</b>                      |         |    |                |      |     |                |      |     |                |      |     |                |      |     |               |
| Postdoc Associates                          | 3       | 12 | 101,970        | 1.5  | 12  | 50,985         | 1.5  | 12  | 50,985         |      | 12  |                |      | 12  |               |
| Other Professionals                         | 2.5     | 12 | 128,750        | 1.3  | 12  | 66,950         |      | 12  |                | 1.2  | 12  | 61,800         |      | 12  |               |
| Graduate Students                           | 3       | 12 | 40,170         |      | 12  |                | 1    | 12  | 13,390         | 1    | 12  | 13,390         | 1    | 12  | 13,390        |
| Undergraduate Students                      | 2       | 12 | 5,150          | 1    | 12  | 2,575          |      | 12  |                |      | 12  |                | 1    | 12  | 2,575         |
| <i>Total Salaries and Wages</i>             |         |    | <u>324,578</u> |      |     | <u>136,331</u> |      |     | <u>87,262</u>  |      |     | <u>81,934</u>  |      |     | <u>19,052</u> |
| C Fringe Benefits                           |         |    | 62,628         |      |     | 29,949         |      |     | 10,182         |      |     | 21,695         |      |     | 803           |
| <b>Total, Salaries, Wages and Fringes</b>   |         |    | <b>387,206</b> |      |     | <b>166,280</b> |      |     | <b>97,444</b>  |      |     | <b>103,629</b> |      |     | <b>19,855</b> |
| D Equipment                                 |         |    | 20,000         |      |     | 8,000          |      |     |                |      |     | 10,000         |      |     | 2,000         |
| <i>Total, Equipment</i>                     |         |    | <u>20,000</u>  |      |     | <u>8,000</u>   |      |     |                |      |     | <u>10,000</u>  |      |     | <u>2,000</u>  |
| <b>E Travel</b>                             |         |    |                |      |     |                |      |     |                |      |     |                |      |     |               |
| Domestic                                    |         |    | 20,000         |      |     | 10,000         |      |     | 2,000          |      |     | 6,000          |      |     | 2,000         |
| Foreign                                     |         |    | 10,000         |      |     | 2,500          |      |     | 2,500          |      |     | 2,500          |      |     | 2,500         |
| <b>Other Direct Costs</b>                   |         |    |                |      |     |                |      |     |                |      |     |                |      |     |               |
| Materials and supplies                      |         |    | 50,000         |      |     | 20,000         |      |     | 2,000          |      |     | 20,000         |      |     | 8,000         |
| Publication costs                           |         |    | 5,000          |      |     | 1,250          |      |     | 1,250          |      |     | 1,250          |      |     | 1,250         |
| (Tuition remission)                         |         |    | 3,615          |      |     |                |      |     | 1,205          |      |     | 1,205          |      |     | 1,205         |
| <i>Total, Other direct costs</i>            |         |    | <u>58,615</u>  |      |     | <u>21,250</u>  |      |     | <u>4,455</u>   |      |     | <u>22,455</u>  |      |     | <u>10,455</u> |
| <b>H Total Direct Costs</b>                 |         |    | <b>495,821</b> |      |     | <b>208,030</b> |      |     | <b>106,399</b> |      |     | <b>144,584</b> |      |     | <b>36,810</b> |
| <i>% of MTDC = TDC - equipment - tuitio</i> |         |    | 472,206        |      |     | 200,030        |      |     | 105,194        |      |     | 133,379        |      |     | 33,605        |
| I Indirect costs                            | 45 %    |    | 212,492        | 45 % |     | 90,014         | 45 % |     | 47,337         | 45 % |     | 60,020         | 45 % |     | 15,122        |
| <b>J Total Request</b>                      |         |    | <b>708,313</b> |      |     | <b>298,044</b> |      |     | <b>153,736</b> |      |     | <b>204,604</b> |      |     | <b>51,932</b> |

# Input Optics conceptual layout



**Figure 2: Conceptual layout of IOO optical components**

# IOO R&D

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- RF Modulation
  - ›› Avoid cross products of 2 modulation frequencies
  - ›› Non-sinusoidal modulation
- Mode cleaner
  - ›› PM of side bands as  $\lambda$  laser changes
- Mode matching to IFO
  - ›› 2 or 3 optics
  - ›› use of spheres off-axis
  - ›› cancellation of aberrations (Czerny-Turner trick)
- Steering with telescope
- Unsuspended Faraday isolator
- Efficiency

# RF modulation

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- Modulation frequencies

- Frequency sideband resonant in the recycling cavity.
- Additional frequency which is not resonant in the IFO.
- Both frequencies must pass through mode cleaner.

- Modulation depths

- Resonant (set by GW shot noise considerations):  $\Gamma \sim 0.5$
- Non-resonant (reflected light shot noise / ASC sensitivity):  $\Gamma \sim 0.05$

- Modulation cross products

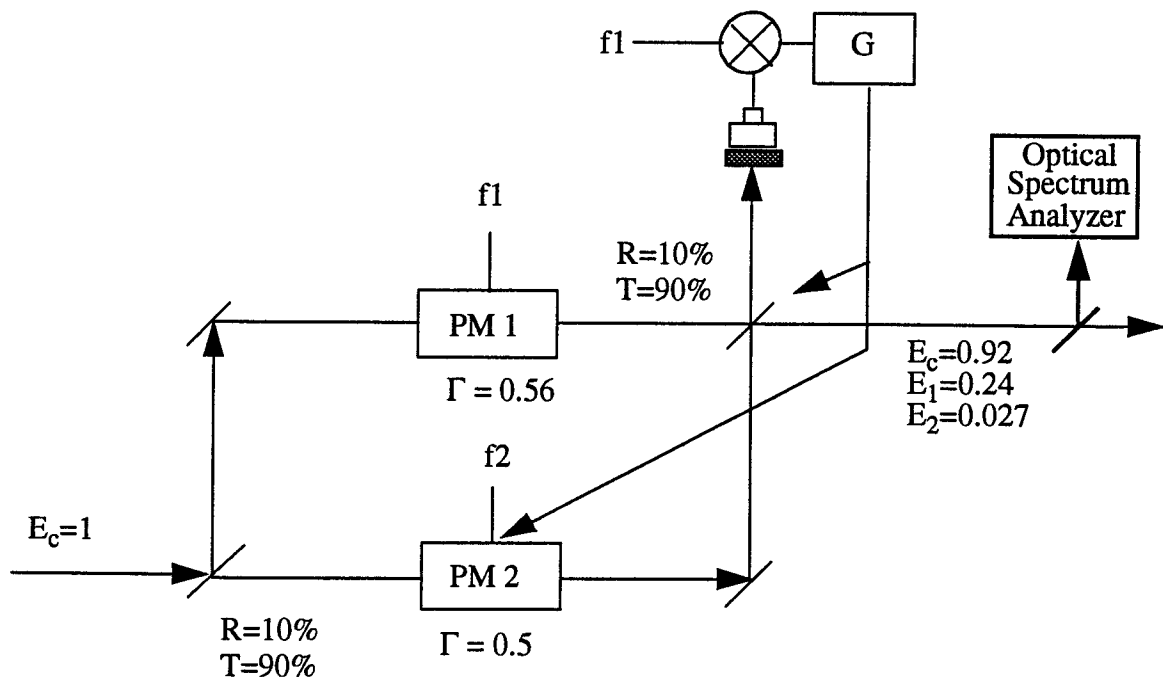
— Modulation cross products, far from IFO resonance and anti-resonance, can mix to give in-band signals. To ensure the cleanest possible frequency reference, we require a modulation spectrum with no cross-products.

- Nominal frequencies

|                               | <i>Units</i> | 4k | 2k |
|-------------------------------|--------------|----|----|
| Resonant frequency, $f_m$     | MHz          | 25 | 30 |
| Non-resonant frequency, $f_n$ | MHz          | 37 | 20 |

# RF modulation scheme

- Produces both resonant and non-resonant sidebands.
- Modulation is applied so cross products of the two frequencies do not occur.
- Length control either of beam combiner or PM2.



# RF modulation scheme (2)

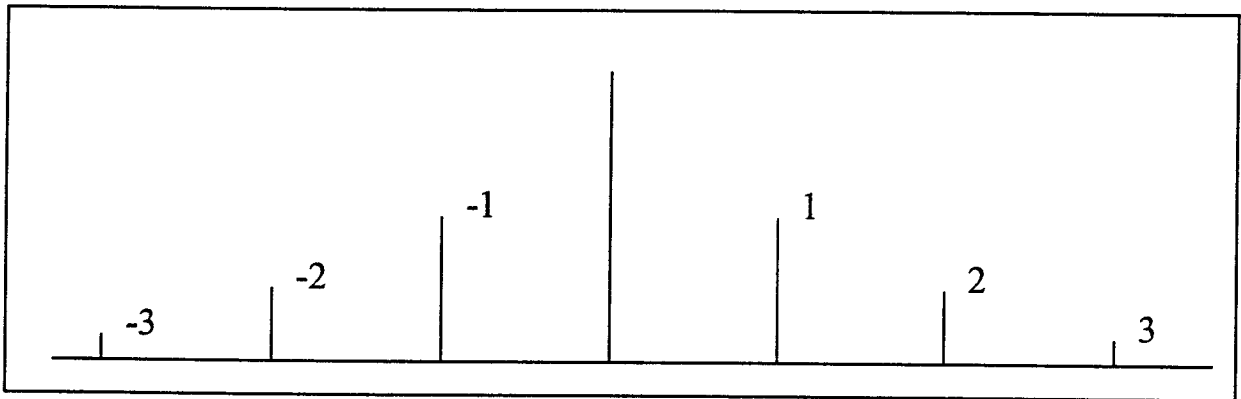
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- Phase modulation with Pockel's cell

››  $E = E_0 e^{i(\omega t + \phi)}$

›› with  $\phi = \Gamma \sin \omega_m t$ , where  $\Gamma$  is related to the strength of the rf field providing the modulation.

›› Sidebands at  $\omega \pm \omega_m$ ,  $\omega \pm 2\omega_m$ ,  $\omega \pm 3\omega_m$ , etc.



›› The amplitude of the  $m$ th sideband given by the  $m$ th Bessel function of  $\Gamma$

- Can the amplitude be reduced if a different function for  $\phi(t)$  is chosen?
- Our simulations suggest: Yes.

# Mode Cleaner

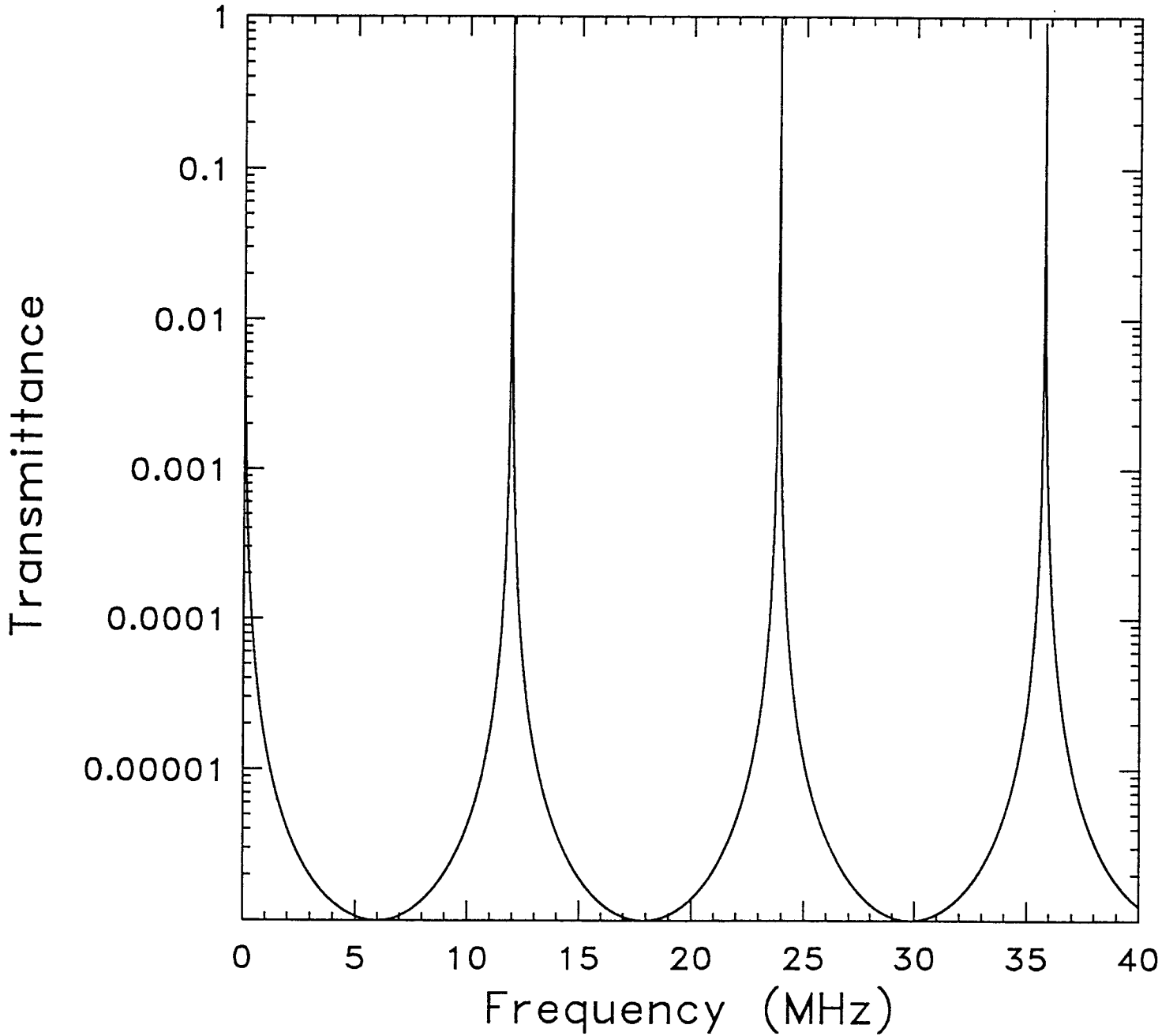
- The mode cleaner provides active frequency suppression through feedback to the PSL, passive frequency noise suppression above its cavity pole frequency, and passive spatial stabilization at all frequencies.

|   | <i>4k IFO</i> | <i>2k IFO</i> |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Cavity length, $L$ (m)                            | 12.23         | 15.29         |
| Free spectral range (MHz)                         | 12.3          | 9.8           |
| Radius of curvature of converging mirror, $R$ (m) | 17.7          | 22.1          |
| Waist size (mm)                                   | 1.66          | 1.86          |
| Cavity stability product $g = 1 - L/R$            | 0.309         | 0.309         |
| Beam radius at curved mirror (mm)                 | 3.0           | 3.2           |
| Beam radius at flat mirrors (mm)                  | 1.7           | 1.9           |
| Flat mirror transmittance (%)                     | 0.2           | 0.2           |
| Mirror absorption/scattering loss (ppm)           | 30            | 30            |
| Intensity at curved mirror (kW/cm <sup>2</sup> )  | 14            | 11            |
| Intensity at flat mirror (kW/cm <sup>2</sup> )    | 46            | 37            |
| Circulating power (kW)                            | 4.0           | 4.0           |



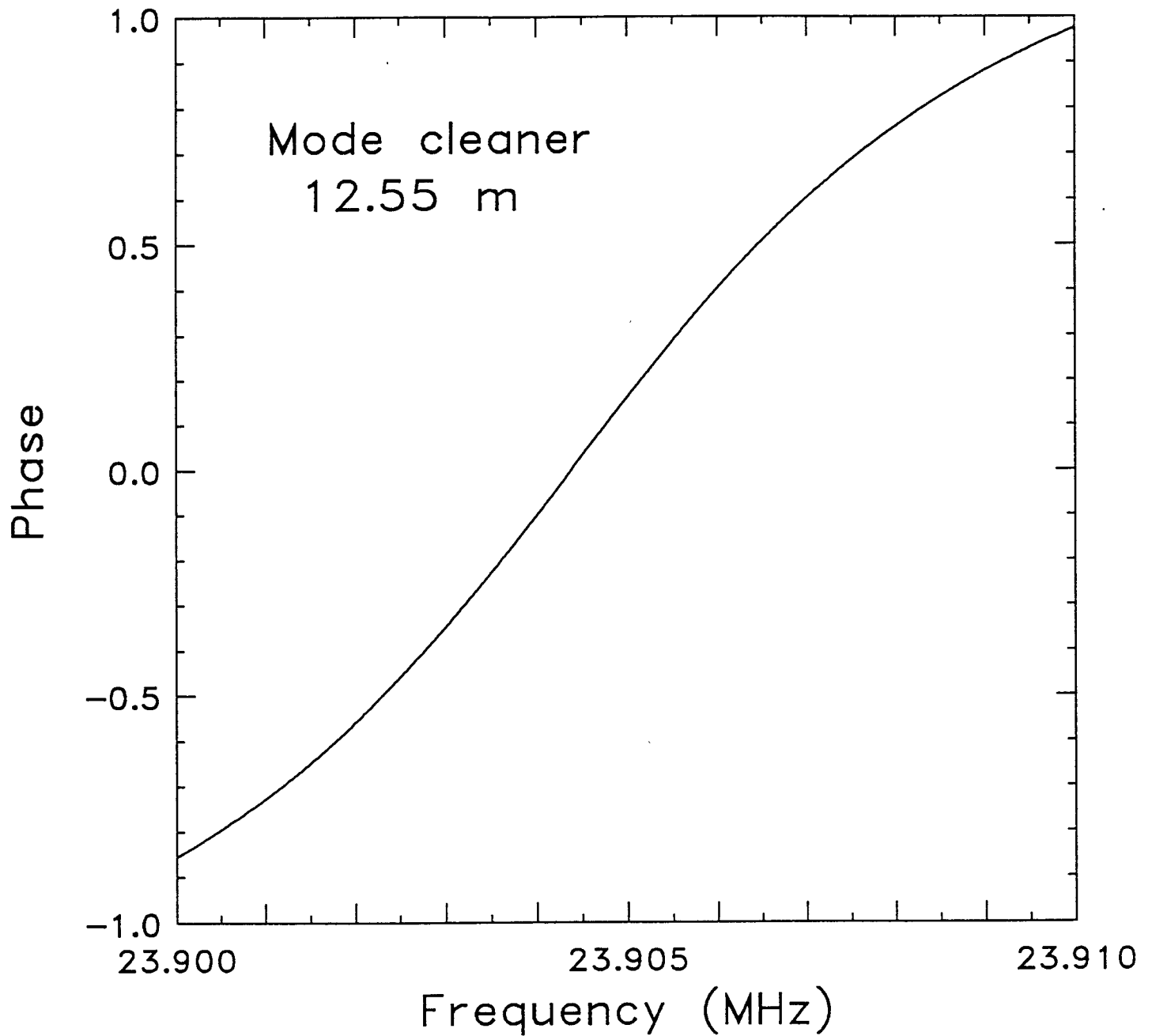
# Mode cleaner transmission

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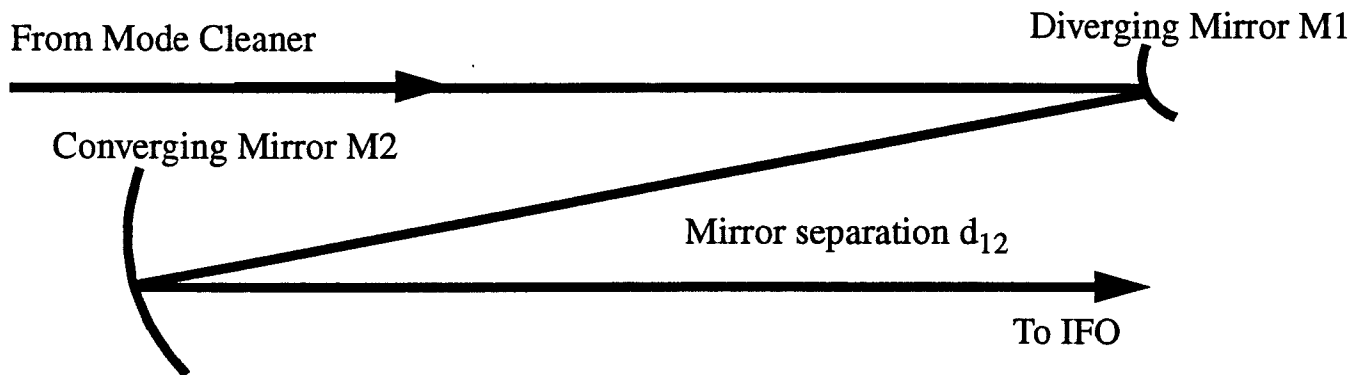
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# Phase shift near resonance



# IFO Mode-Matching Telescope

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- Reflective Galilean design advantages

- ›› Optical isolation / parasitic interferometers

- ›› Beam steering with reflective optics

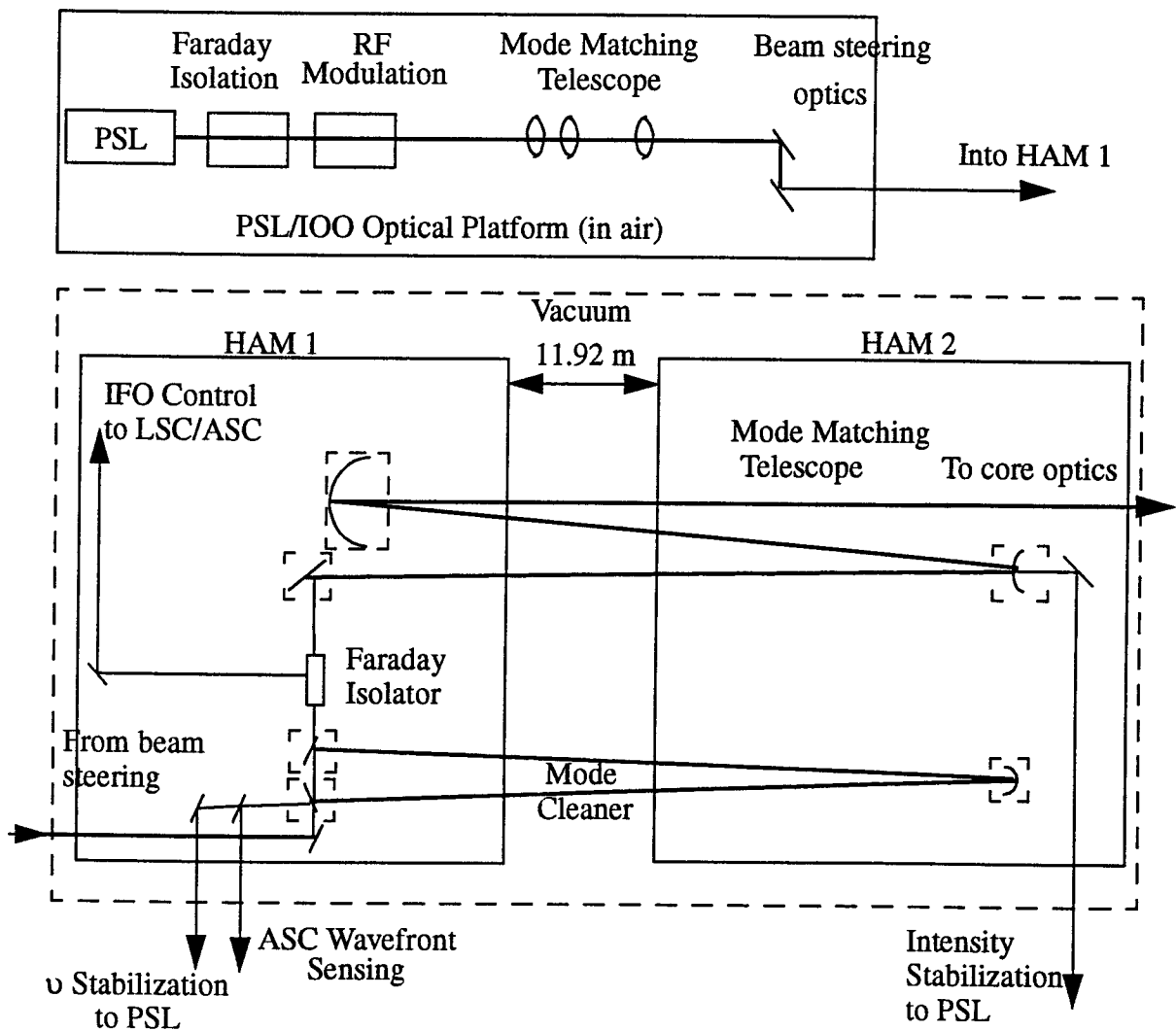
- Radii of Curvature Selection

- ›› waist magnification:  $w_{0,IFO} / w_{0,MC} = 20.9$  (4 km)

- $= 17.1$  (2 km)

- ››  $d_{12} \sim f_2 - f_1$ , constrained by HAM dimensions and separation

# Overall IOO Layout



# *Advanced R&D I: Interferometer R&D*

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Initial LIGO - power recycled Michelson IFO

››  $h \sim 10^{-21}$  / rHz in broadband operation

Enhanced LIGO - increase strain sensitivity by 10X  
using alternative IFO topologies

*Constraint on enhanced LIGO detector: easily upgradable from current  
LIGO*

›› dual recycling (DR) and resonant sideband extraction (RSE)

*Collaborative research program between UF and  
Caltech/MIT to compare RSE and DR as candidates  
for enhanced LIGO*

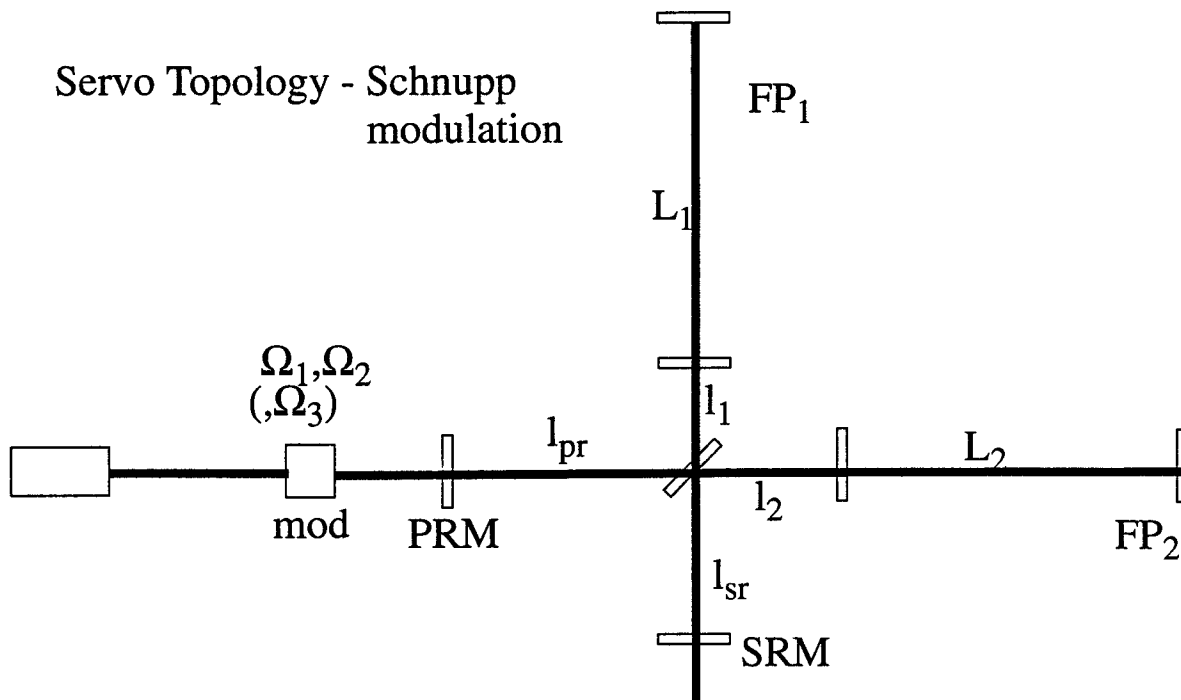
# Tabletop Dual Recycling

Signal Recycled IFO - proposed by Meers to enhance GW sensitivity at a specific GW frequency by resonant enhancement of GW sidebands.

Dual Recycled IFO - combines SR and PR. Prior demonstration using simple Michelson IFO.

*Advantages:* enhancement of specific frequency GW signal by SR cavity finesse, narrowband tunability.

*But: hasn't been implemented with FP arms*



# *Advanced IFO R&D Workplan*

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## Phase I : Tabletop Experiments (1997, 1998)

- Construction of Tabletop DR IFO
- Evaluation of DR
  - ›› alternative locking topologies
  - ›› lock acquisition and stability
  - ›› GW band tunability

*Done in parallel with Caltech/MIT assessments of RSE*

## Phase II : Suspended IFO testing (1999,2000)

- Selection of either DR or RSE based on Phase I
- Low frequency performance on suspended IFO

*Work done at Caltech/MIT by UF/LIGO scientists*

## UF Personnel:

Reitze, Tanner, Research Scientist, Graduate Student

## NSF requested equipment funds:

\$150K for laser/optics/measurement apparatus

# *Advanced R&D II: Optical Materials Research for Future LIGO*

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## Next generation LIGO: 100 W lasers + novel IFOs

- optical materials subjected to increase in peak power, intensity by 10 - 100 X or more
- deviation in optic surface figure caused by high peak powers
  - ››“Linear” effects
    - thermal expansion of coatings, substrates
    - hydrocarbon mirror contamination in vacuum
  - ››“Nonlinear” effects
    - field-induced memory effects (birefringence)
    - nonlinear phase shift
- spatial wavefront distortion of beam
  - *cumulative optical “damage”*
  - *change in cavity storage times/control loops*

*The UF materials research program will investigate/  
characterize/identify optical materials for next  
generation LIGO*



# *Optical Materials Research for Enhanced/Advanced LIGO*

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*Absorption in optical coatings and substrates:*

thermal expansion:

$$\Delta L = \frac{\alpha}{\kappa} L^2 A I_{peak}$$

Coating:

L = 10 - 20  $\mu\text{m}$ , A = 1 - 5 ppm absorption

thermal expansivity:  $\alpha \sim 10^{-5} / \text{K}$

thermal conductivity (barrier):  $\sim \kappa \sim 10^{-3} \text{ W/cm K}$

Substrate:

L = 10 cm, A < 0.1 ppm absorption

thermal expansivity:  $\alpha \sim 10^{-5} / \text{K}$

thermal conductivity:  $\sim \kappa \sim 5 \times 10^{-2} \text{ W/cm K}$

|               | $I_{\text{coat}} \text{ (W/cm}^2\text{)}$ | $I_{\text{sub}} \text{ (W/cm}^2\text{)}$ | $\Delta L_{\text{coat}} \text{ (}\mu\text{A)}$ | $\Delta L_{\text{sub}} \text{ (}\mu\text{A)}$ |
|---------------|---|--|--|---|
| Current LIGO  | $10^3$                                    | 10                                       | 0.1  | 2   |
| Advanced LIGO | $10^6$                                    | 100                                      | 10   | 20  |

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# *Optical Materials Research for Enhanced/Advanced LIGO*

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## *In Situ Mirror Contamination*

Hydrocarbon deposits ‘baked’ on FP cavity mirrors by cumulative exposure to laser

›› change in mirror surface figure, mirror reflectivity

---> change in FP finesse and cavity ring down time

--> change in stability of control loop

## *Nonlinear Effects in Optical Materials*

Field-induced birefringence: light fields induce field-dependent polarization which substrates remember (magnitude depends on material, wavelength, power)

›› substrate acts like a field-dependent waveplate; reduction in fringe contrast

## Nonlinear Phase Shift:

$$\Delta\phi(r) = \frac{2\pi n_2}{\lambda} \int_0^L I(r, z) dz$$

›› Spatial beam distortion & spatial dependent phase

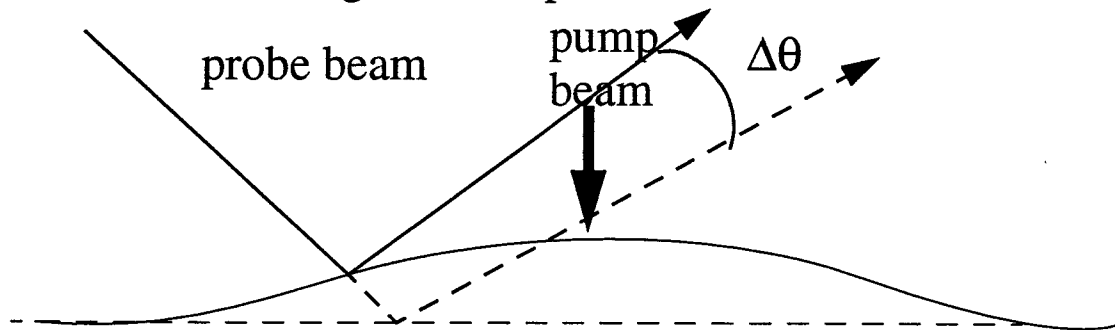
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# *Optical Materials Research Workplan*

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## Linear/thermal characterization:

- Photothermal displacement spectroscopy (PDS) - high precision measurement of sub-angstrom displacements



## Contamination measurements:

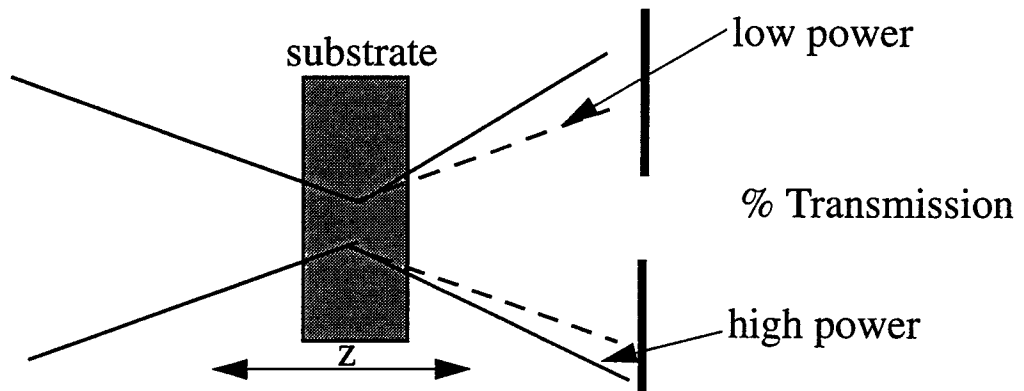
- Controlled cavity ringdown measurements
- post-mortem analysis: identify specific nature of contamination
  - ›› surface analysis: alpha-step, surface x-ray, composition analysis
- Formulate in situ cleaning strategy (laser desorption)

# *Optical Materials Research Workplan*

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## Nonlinear characterization:

- Z-scan: high precision ( $\lambda/10000$ ) measurement of nonlinear phase shift



## UF Personnel:

Reitze, Tanner, Postdoc, Graduate Student

## NSF requested equipment funds:

None; available through UF seed money

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