

# The Japanese Space Gravitational Wave Antenna - DECIGO

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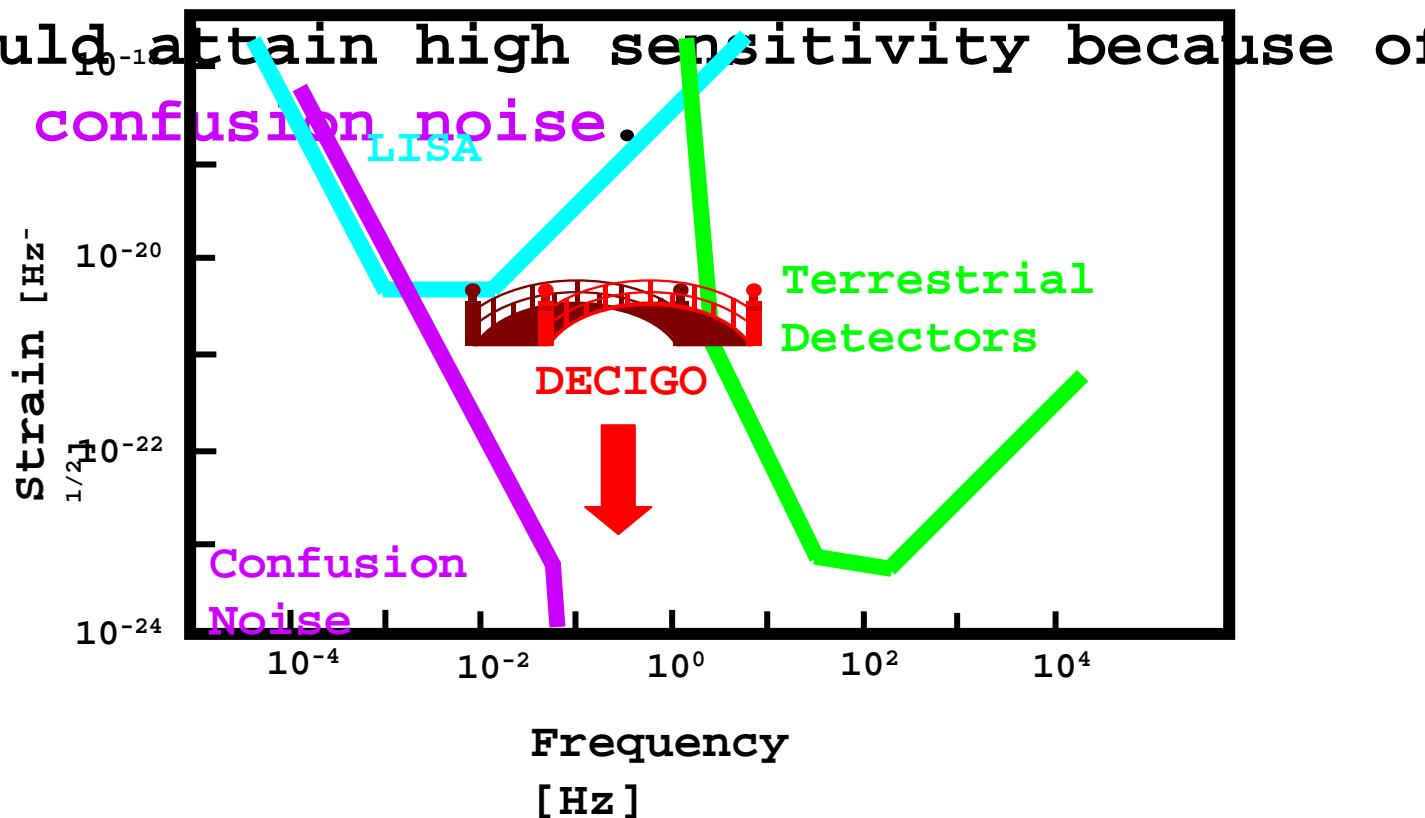
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# What is DECIGO?

**D**eци-hertz **I**nterferometer **G**ravitational **W**ave **O**bservatory

- bridges the gap between LISA and terrestrial detectors.
- could attain high sensitivity because of lower confusion noise.



# Pre-conceptual Design

## FP-Michelson interferometer

Arm length: 1000 km

Laser power: 10 W

Laser wavelength: 532 nm

Mirror diameter: 1 m

Mirror mass: 100 kg

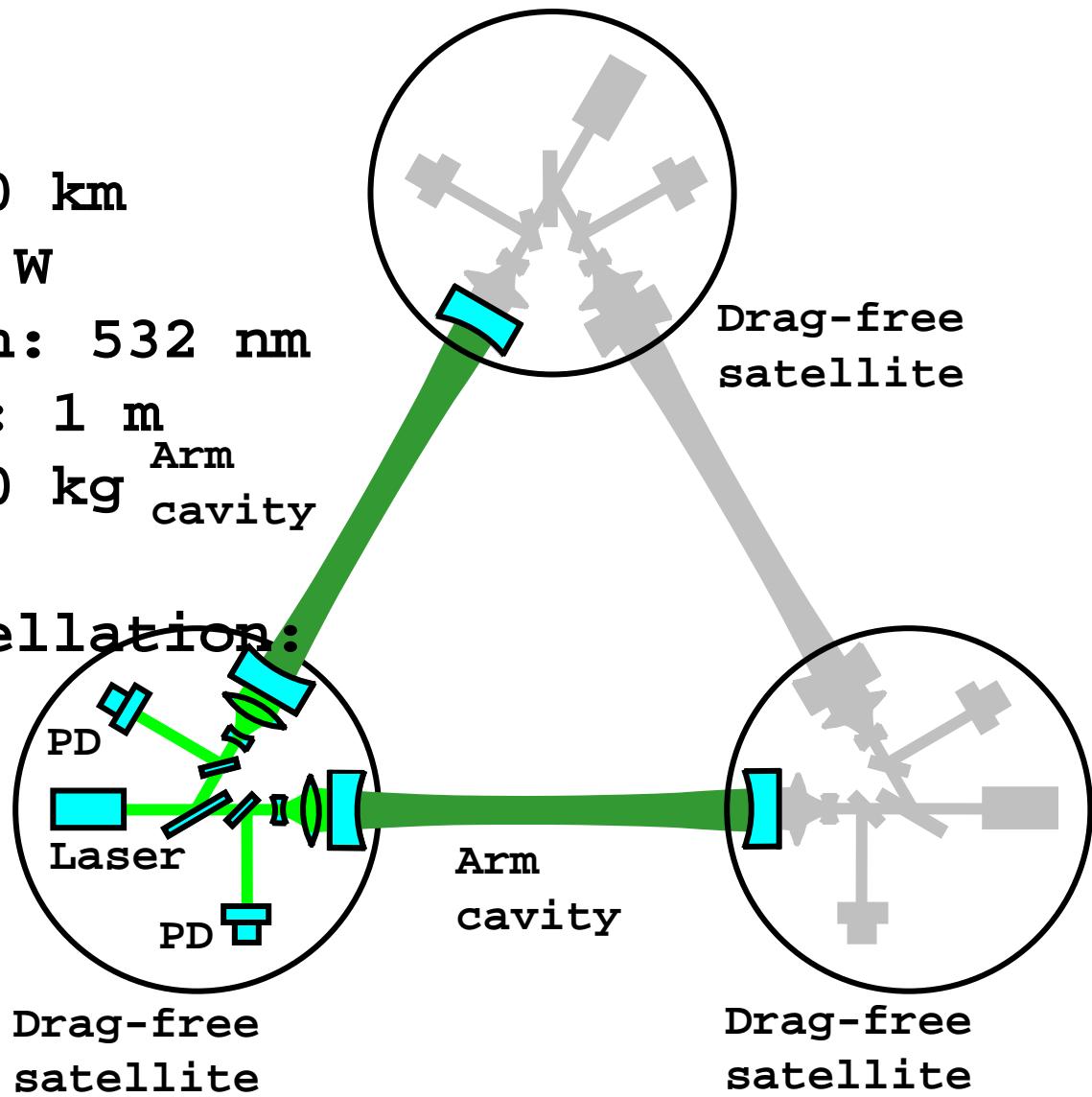
Arm  
cavity

Finesse: 10

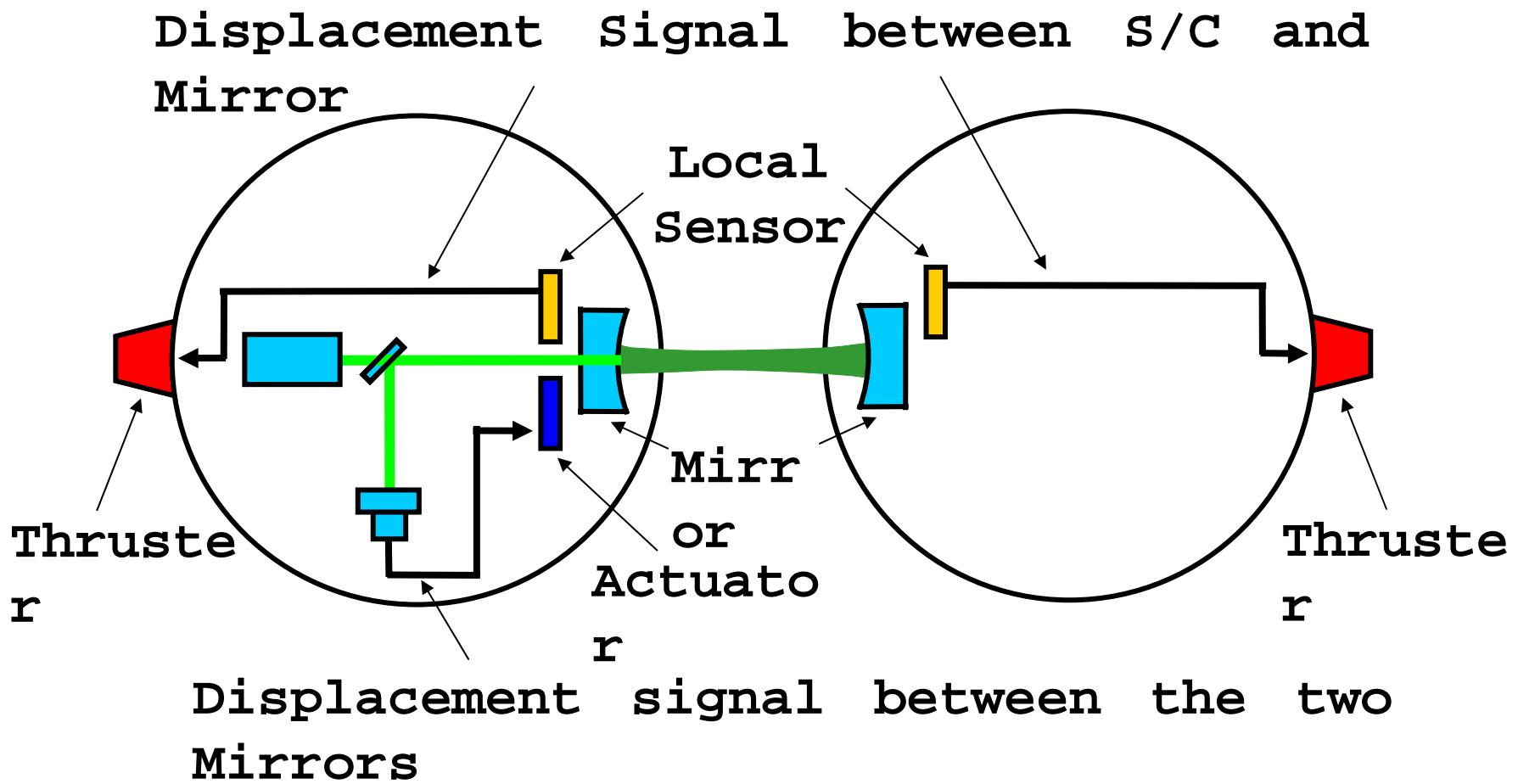
Orbit and constellation:

TBD

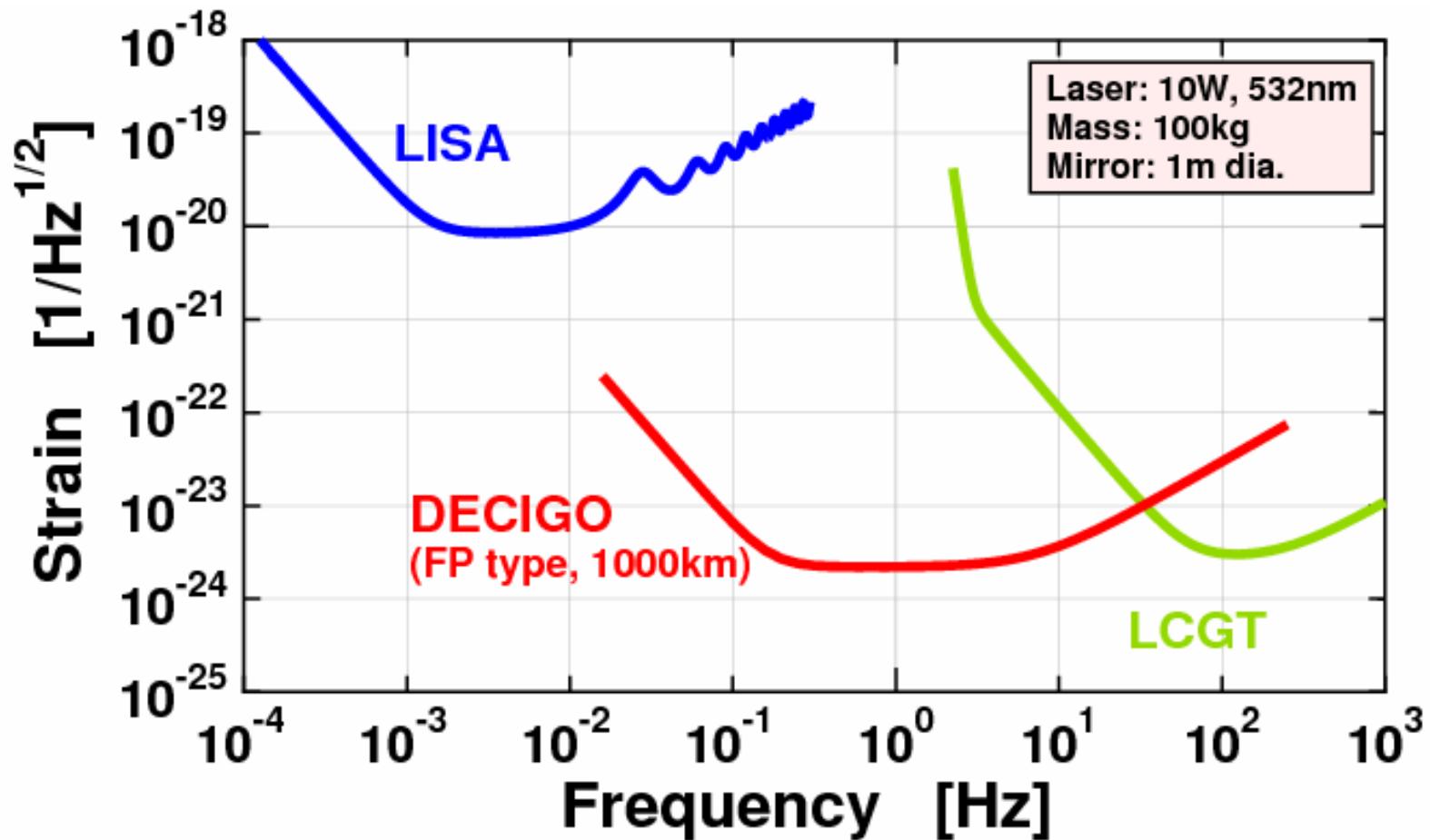
Kawamura, et al.,  
CQG 23 (2006) S125-  
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# Drag-free and FP Cavity



# Sensitivity Goal



# Requirements

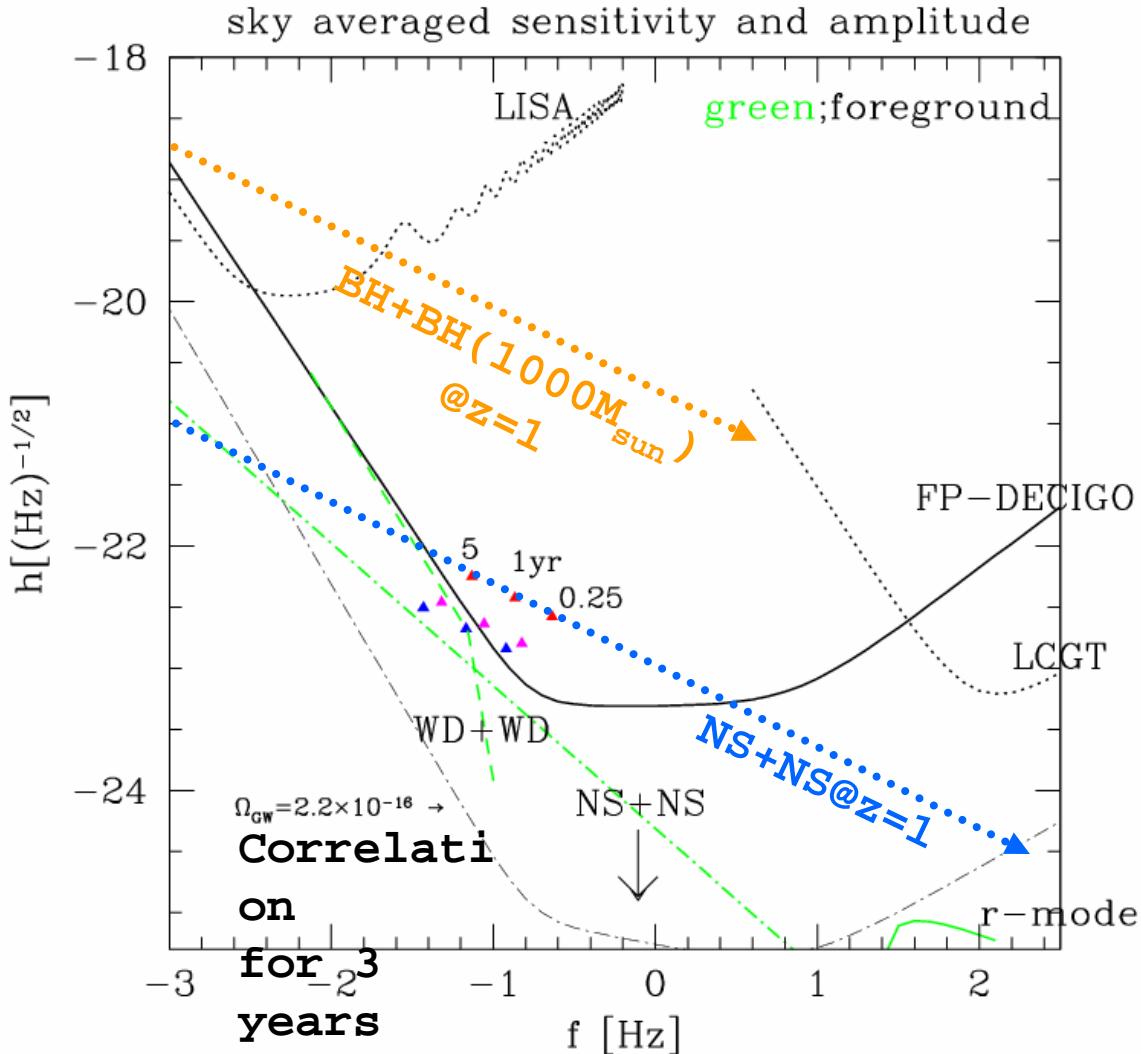
[Practical force noise]

- $4 \times 10^{-17}$  N/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$  per mirror

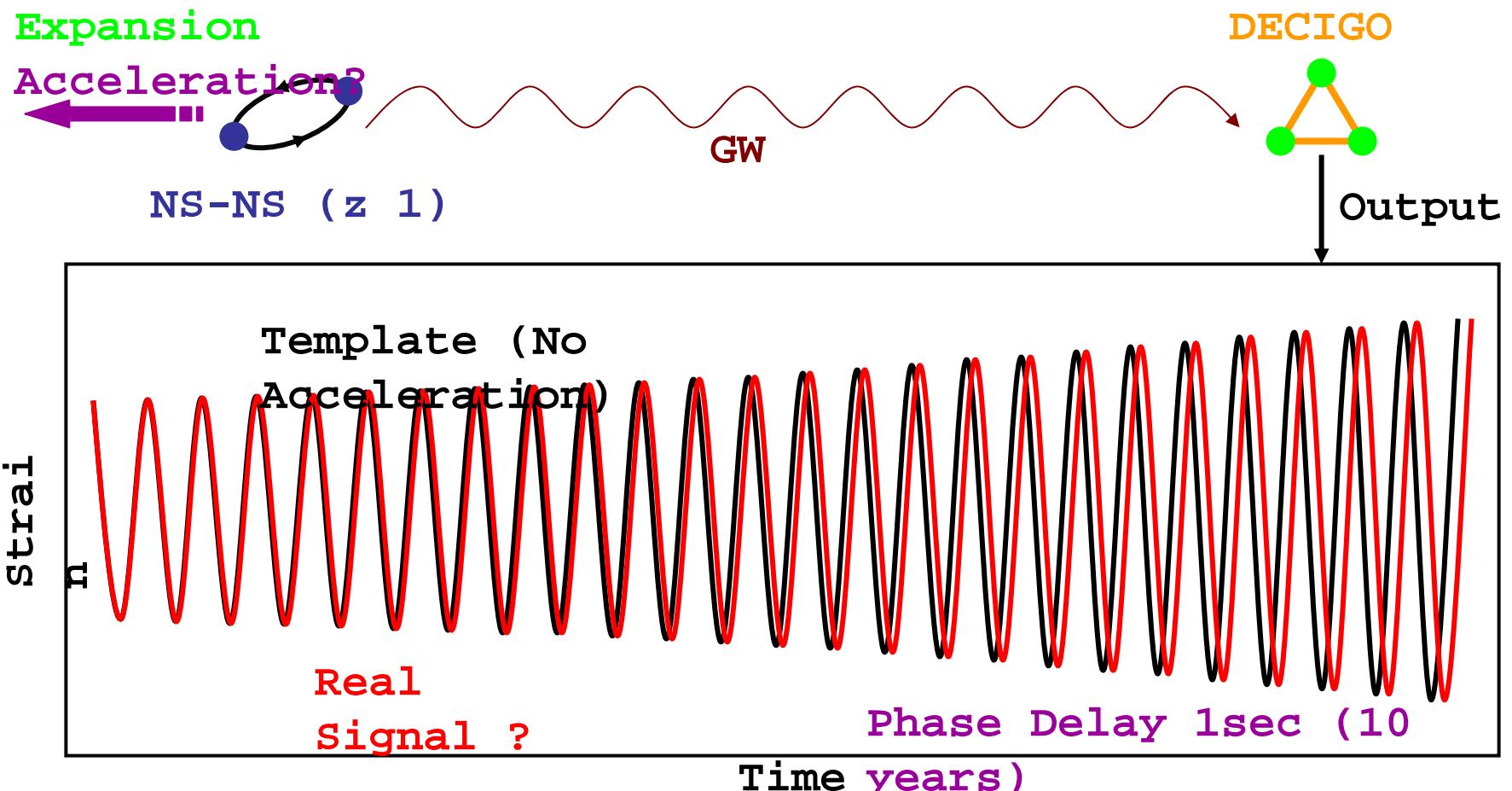
[Frequency Noise] @ 1 Hz

- First-stage stabilization 1 Hz/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$
- Stabilization gain by common-mode arm length  $10^5$
- Common-mode rejection ratio  $10^5$

# Science by DECIGO



# Acceleration of Expansion of the Universe



Seto, Kawamura, Nakamura, PRL 87,  
221103 (2001)

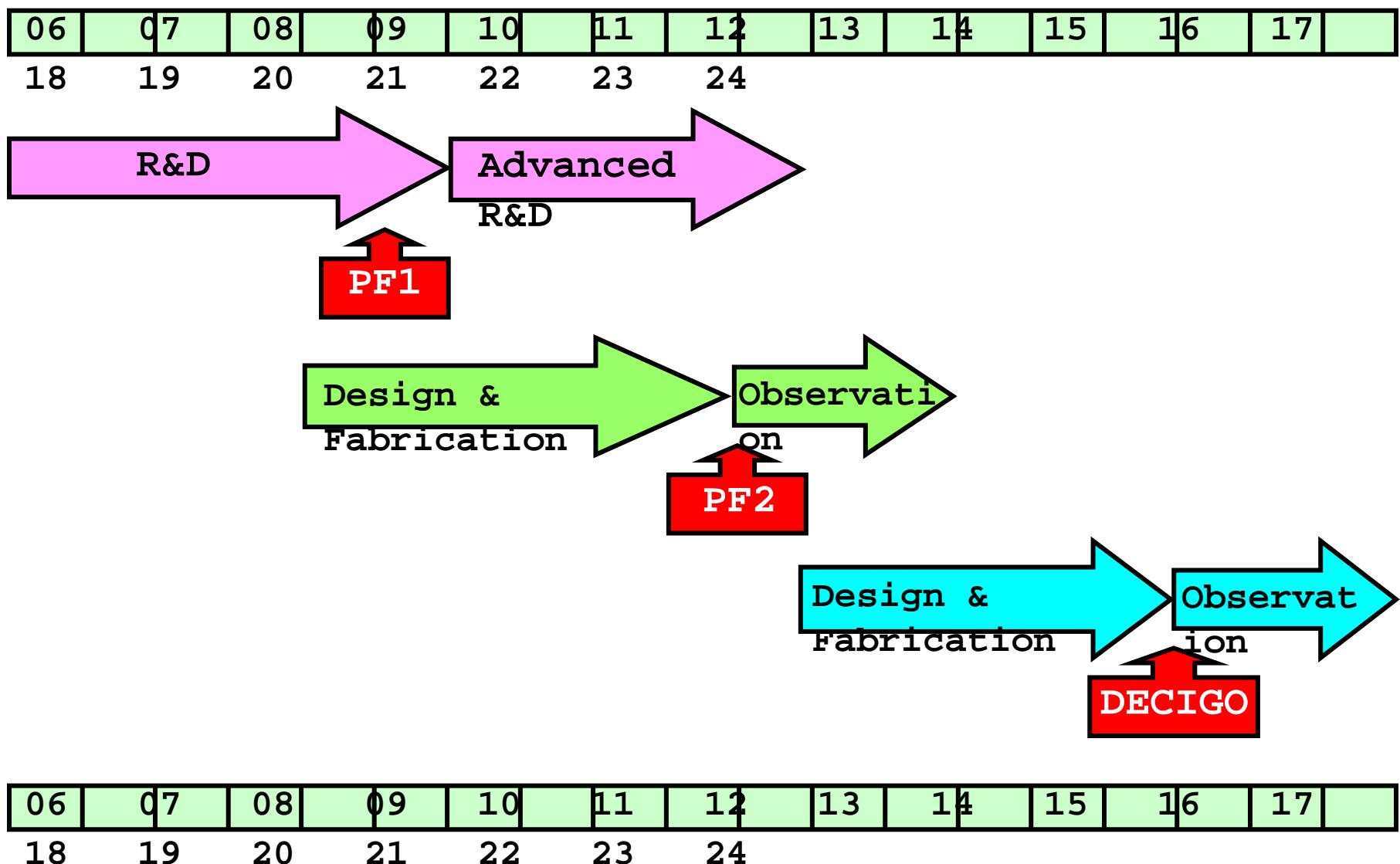
# Constraint to Dark Energy

**Distance – Red shift  
relationship for NS-NS binaries  
⇒ Constraint to dark energy**

**Distance: determined directly by  
GW observation**

**Red shift: determined by  
identifying the host galaxies  
(10 arcsec at z=1 for two far-**

# Roadmap for DECIGO

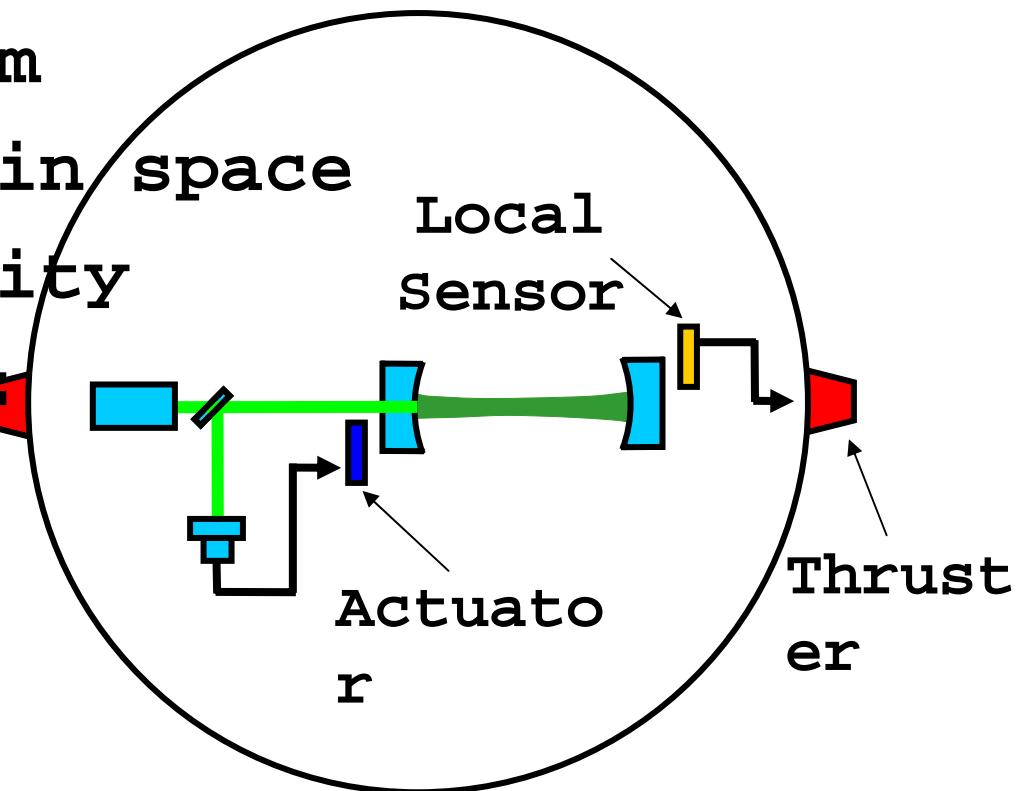


# DECIGO Pathfinder1

## Objectives

- Drag-free system
- Cavity locking in space
- Modest sensitivity

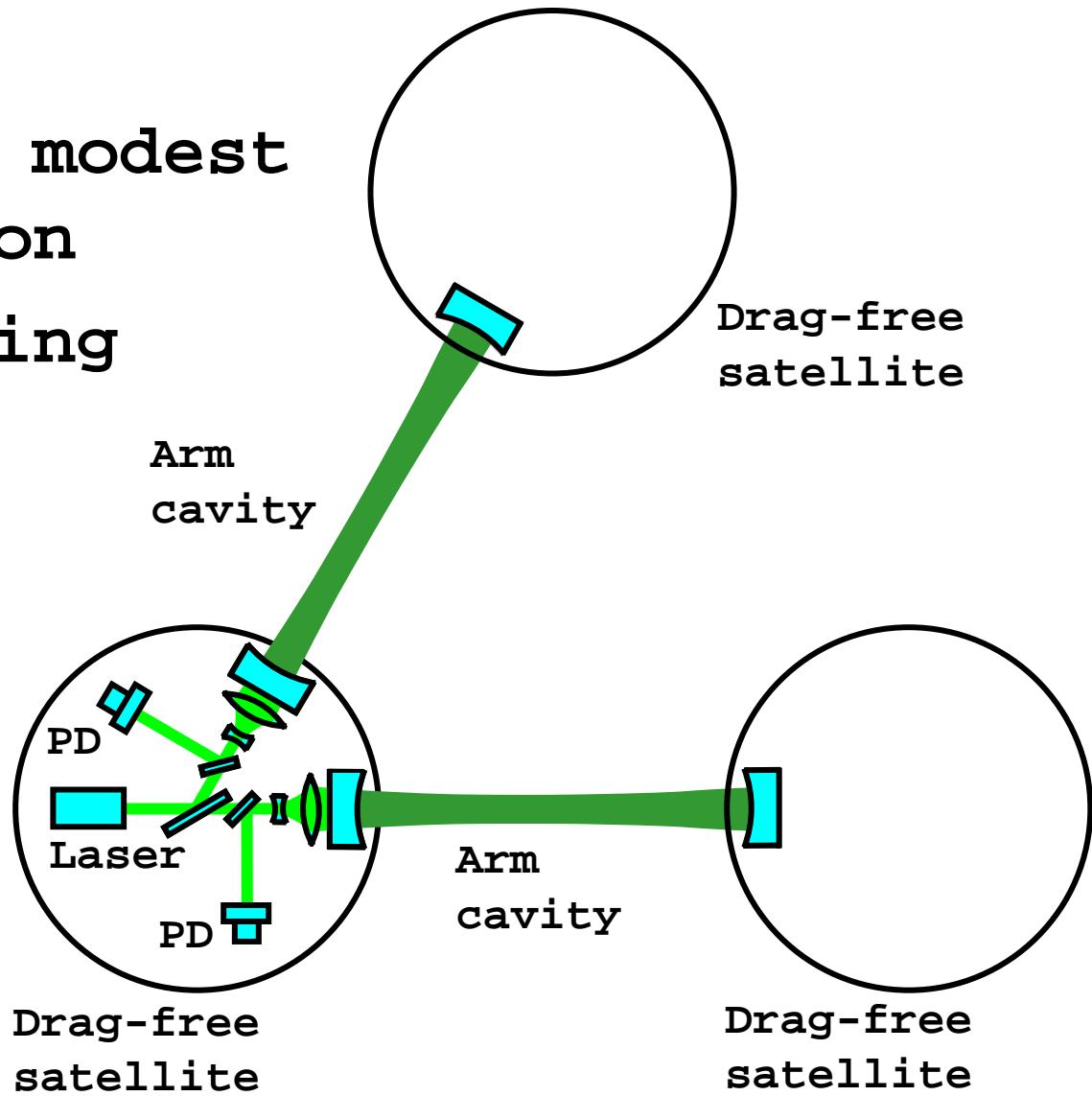
at 0.1 - 1 Hz



# DECIGO Pathfinder2

## Objectives

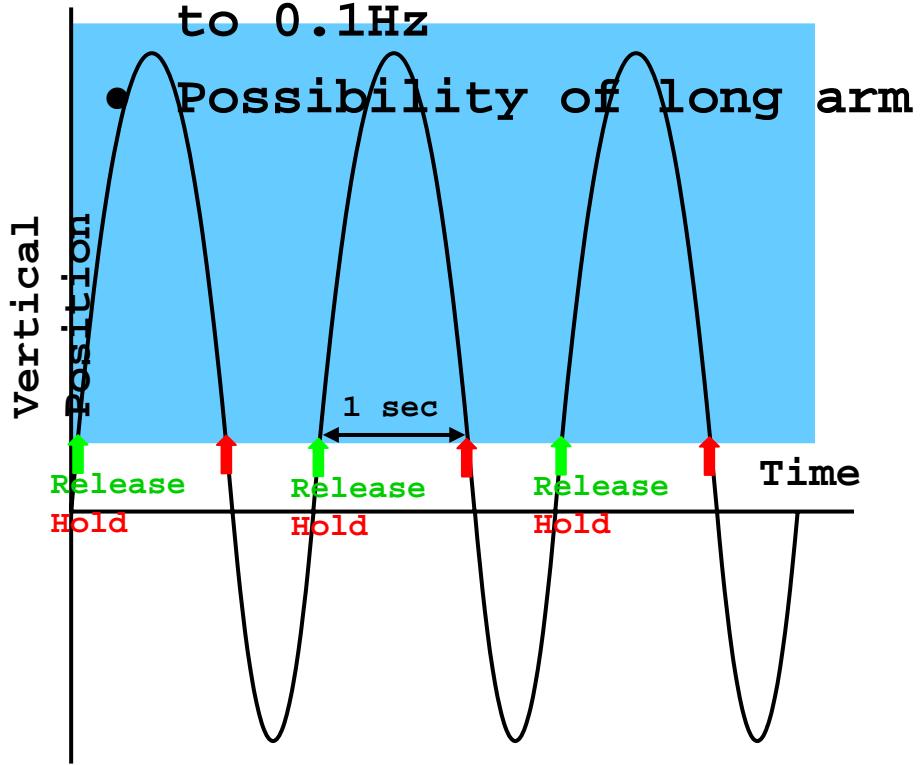
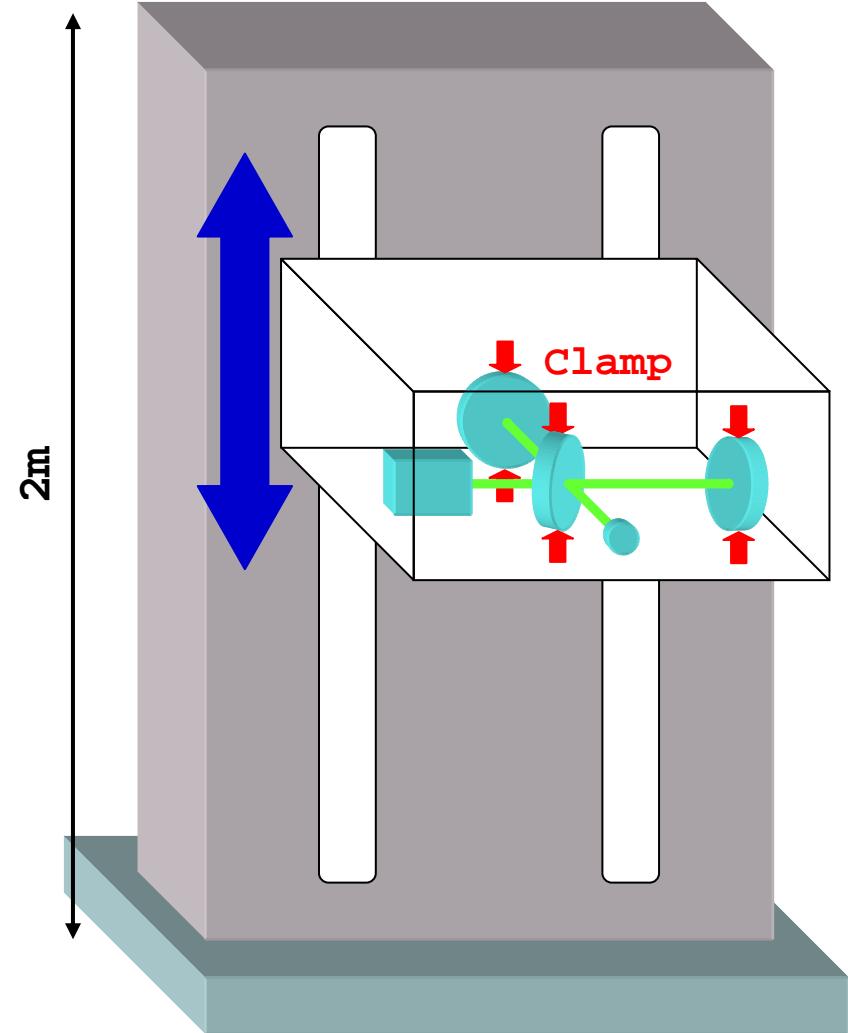
- DECIGO with modest specification
- Cavity locking between two satellites
- Meaningful sensitivity



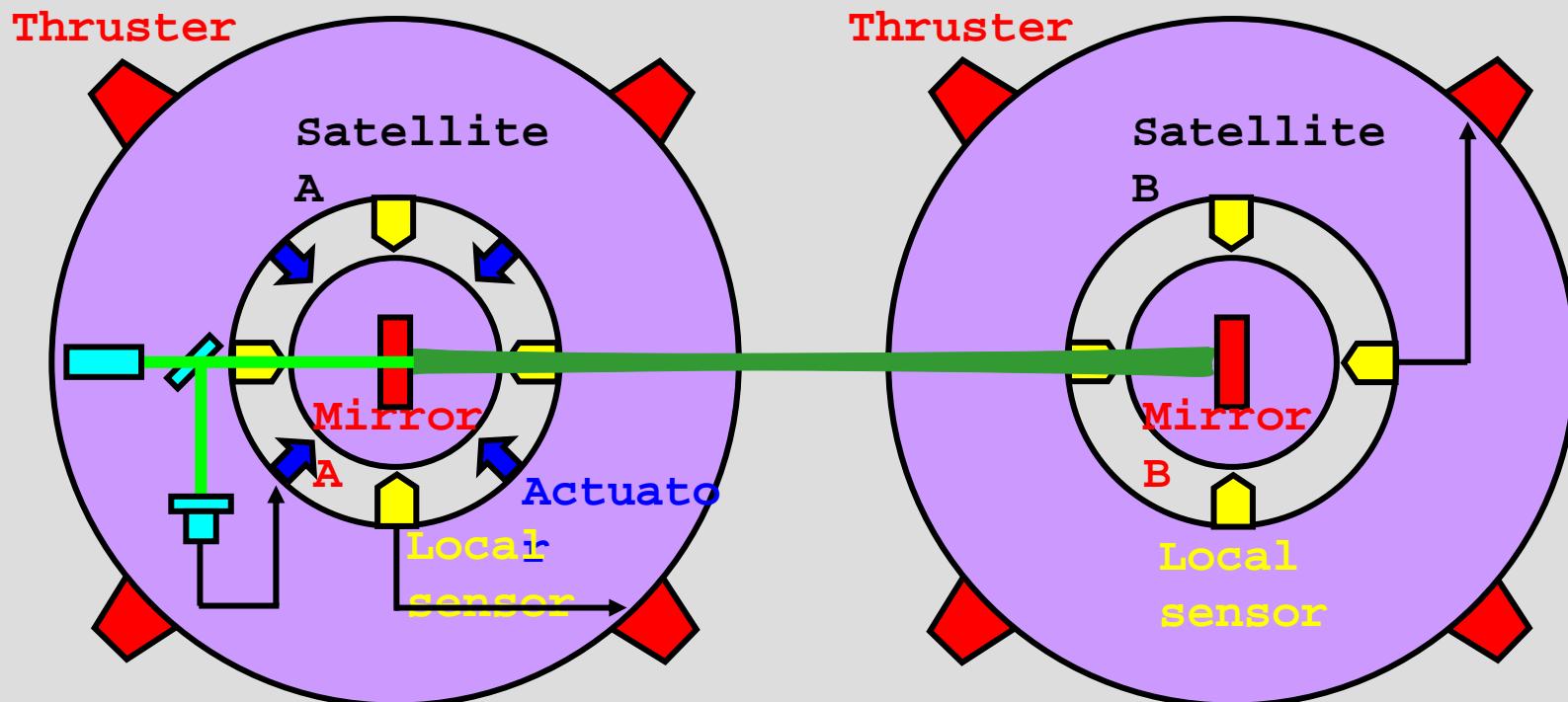
# DECIGO Simulator

## Objectives

- Continual free-fall environment
- Clamp release
- Modest sensitivity down to 0.1Hz



# DECIGO Demonstrator



Air-hockey

Objectives

table

- Lock acquisition

# Budget Situation for DECIGO

- Budget request for “Frontier of All Wavelength Gravitational Wave Astronomy” submitted in 2005
  - TAMA and CLIO
  - R&D for DECIGO
  - Pulsar Timing
  - Super-high frequency G.W. detection
- Not approved to our surprise
- Try again?

# Summary

- DECIGO will have an **extremely good sensitivity** and **open the GW window widely**.
- DECIGO requires **extremely challenging technology** development.
- We hope that we will be able to start the **R&D for DECIGO** very soon.