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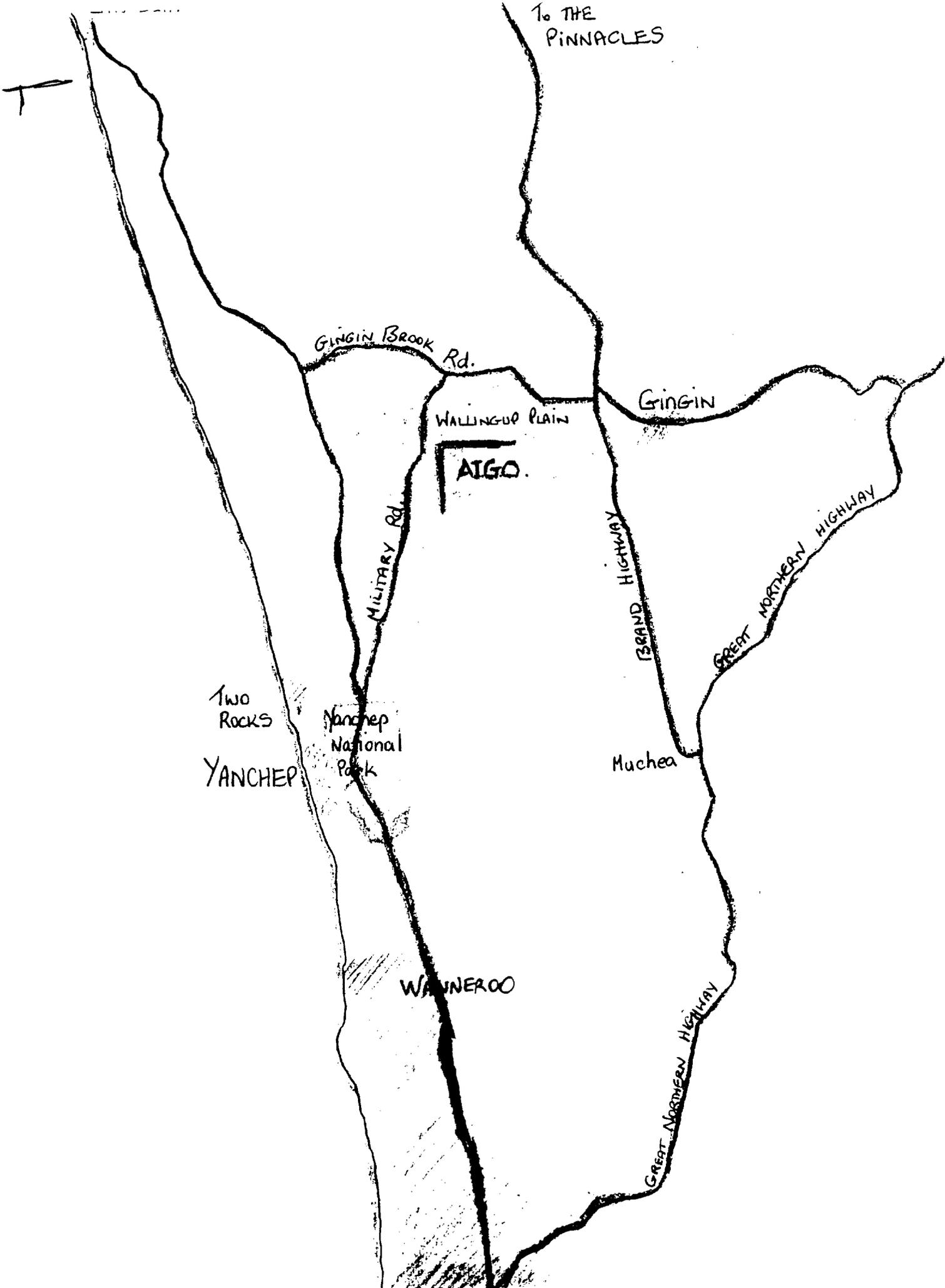
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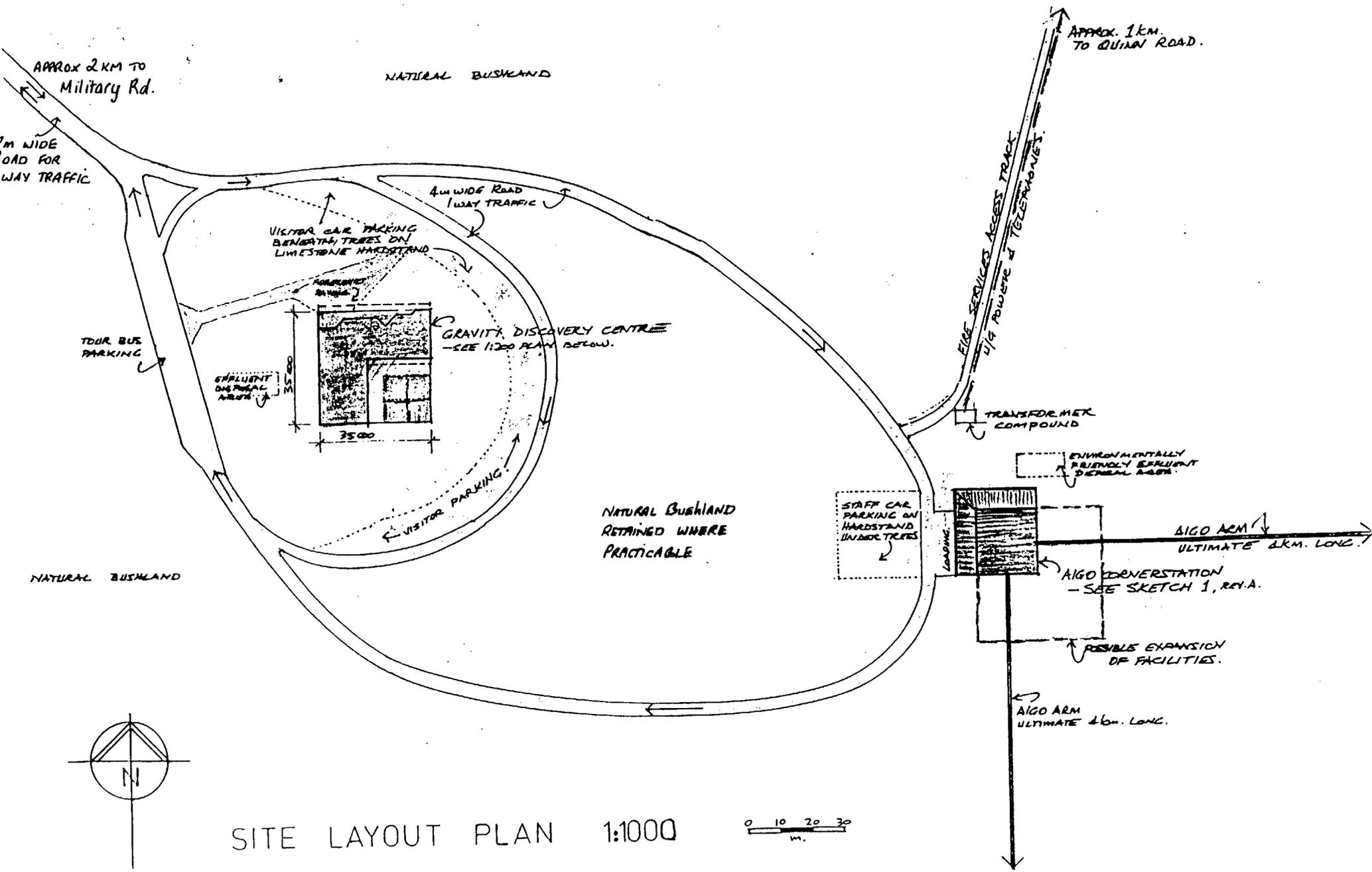
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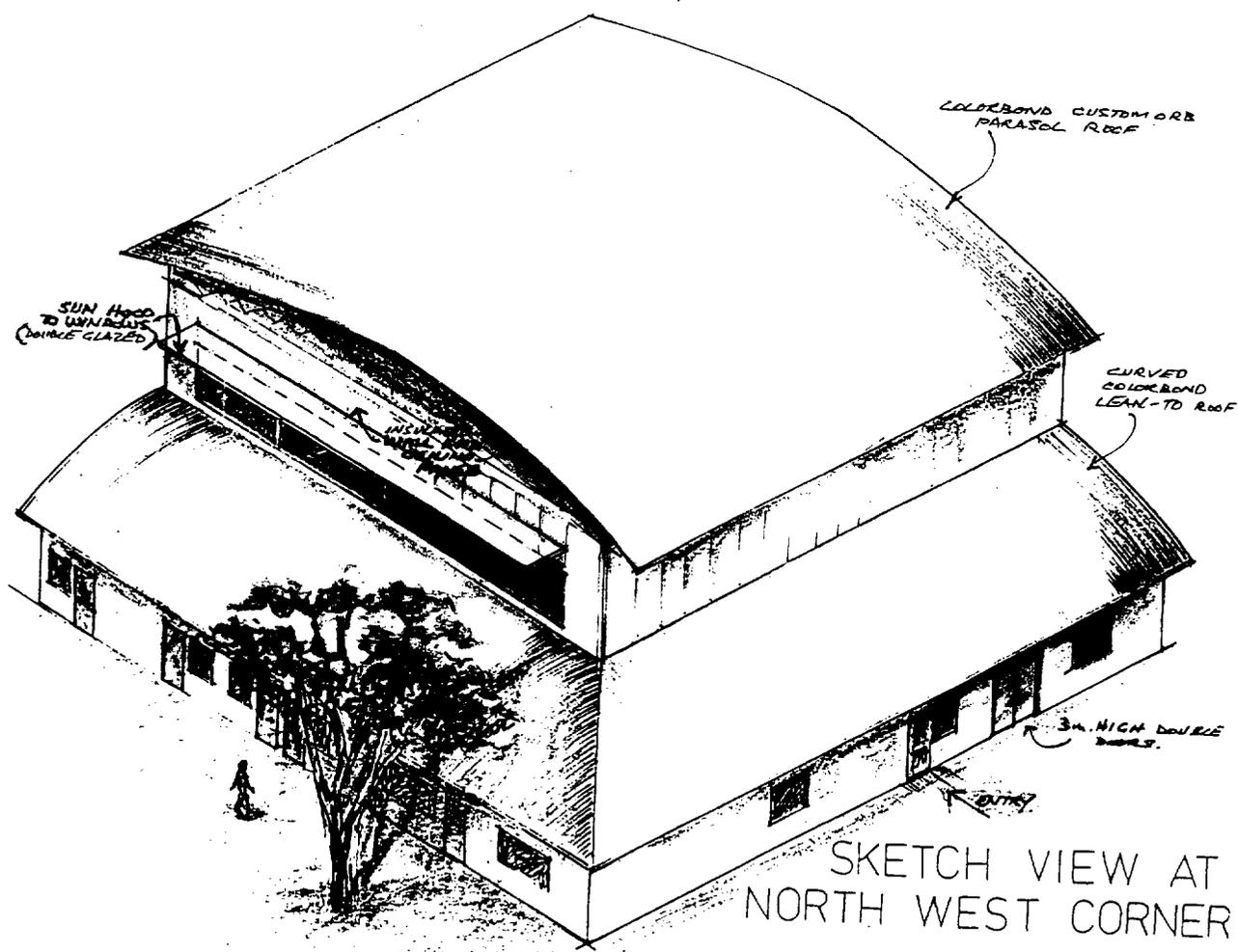
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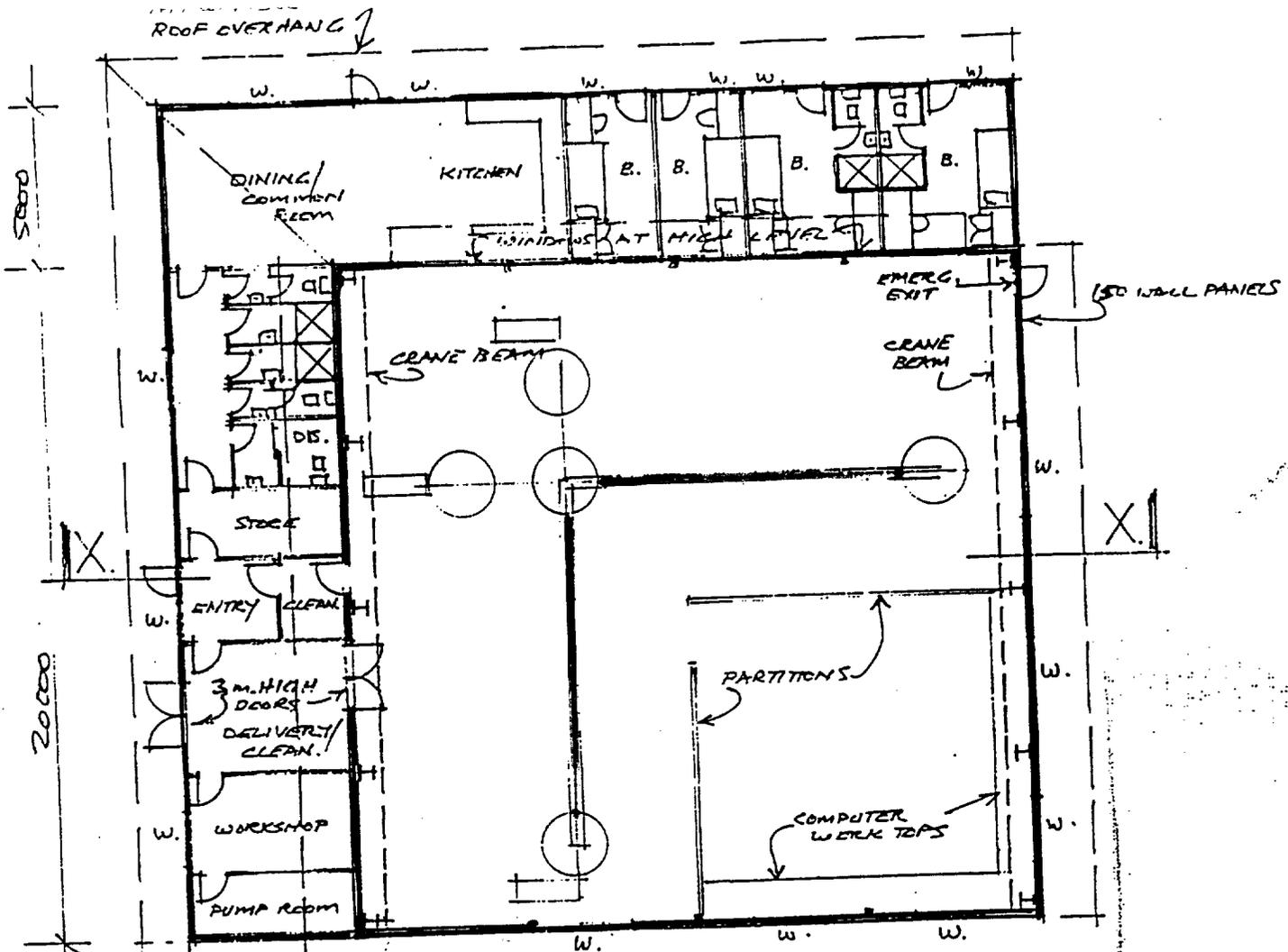
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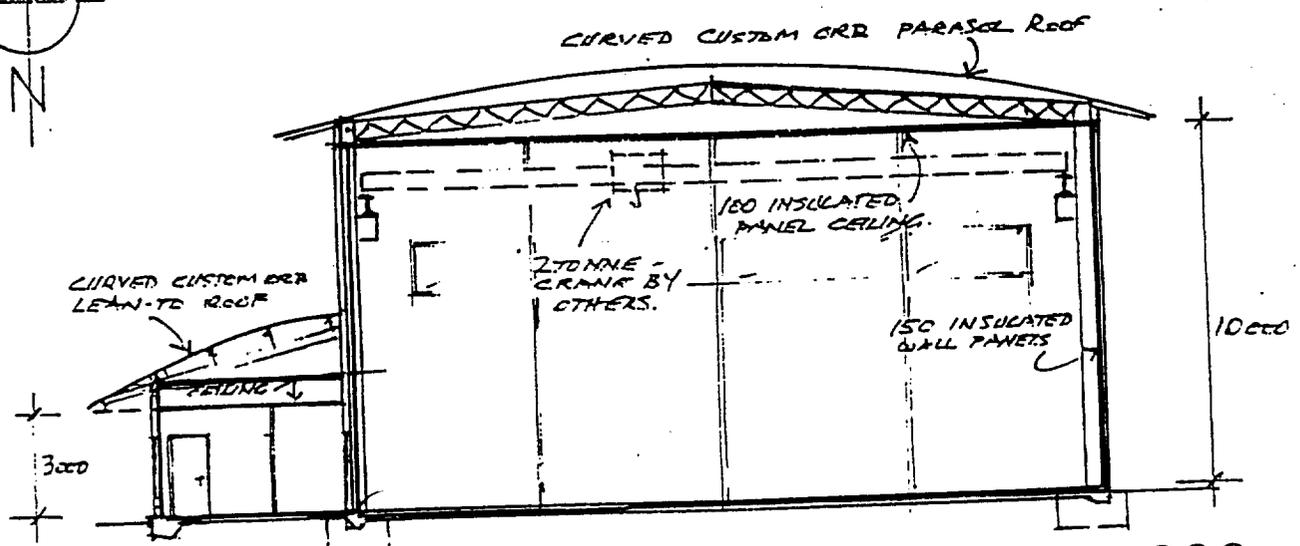
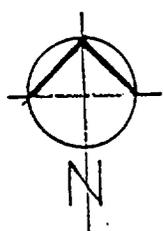
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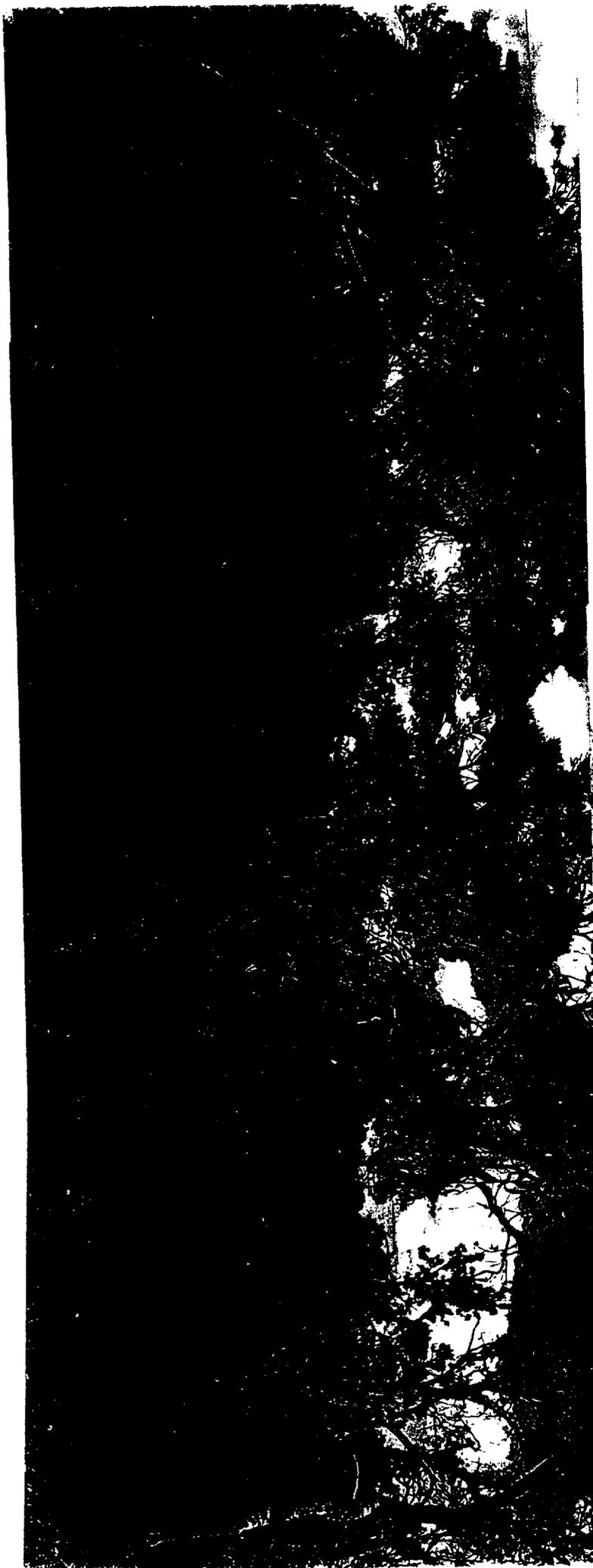
SKETCH VIEW AT  
NORTH WEST CORNER



FLOOR PLAN 1:200



CROSS SECTION AT X-X 1:200



# Isolation and Suspension systems for AIGO

## Low frequency isolators

Number of stages: 4

Springs: Steel cantilevers

Corner frequency: Vertical: ~7 Hz, Horizontal: ~3 Hz

## Ultra-low frequency pre-isolators

*Design goal:*

*Achieved:*

Vertical: 30 mHz (T=30s)    40 mHz (T= 25s)  
Horizontal: 30 mHz        7 mHz (T=150s)

## Test masses

Material:

sapphire

Dimensions:

$\phi 250$  mm x 100 mm

Internal Q-factor:

$Q > 10^8$

## Test mass suspension system

Thin niobium membrane flexure bonded to test mass  
Dimensions: ~30  $\mu$ m x 20 mm

## Bonding

Sapphire to niobium bonding: Cusil:  $M_{\text{Nb}}/M_{\text{sapp}} : 10^{-3}$

Bond loss:  $2 \times 10^{-2}$  for  $Q_i = 10^8$

Membrane loss:  $10^{-4}$  for  $Q_i = 10^8$

Membrane loss:  $10^{-5}$  for  $Q_p = 10^9$

Alternatives: diffusion bonding, Ti-V high temp bonding, silicate bonding

# **Vibration Isolation for Laser Interferometer Gravitational Wave Detectors**

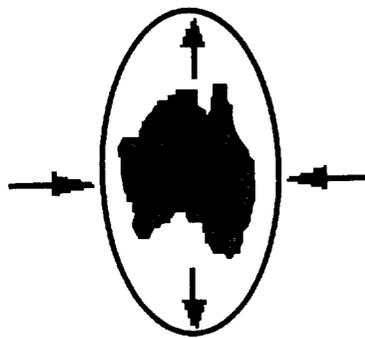
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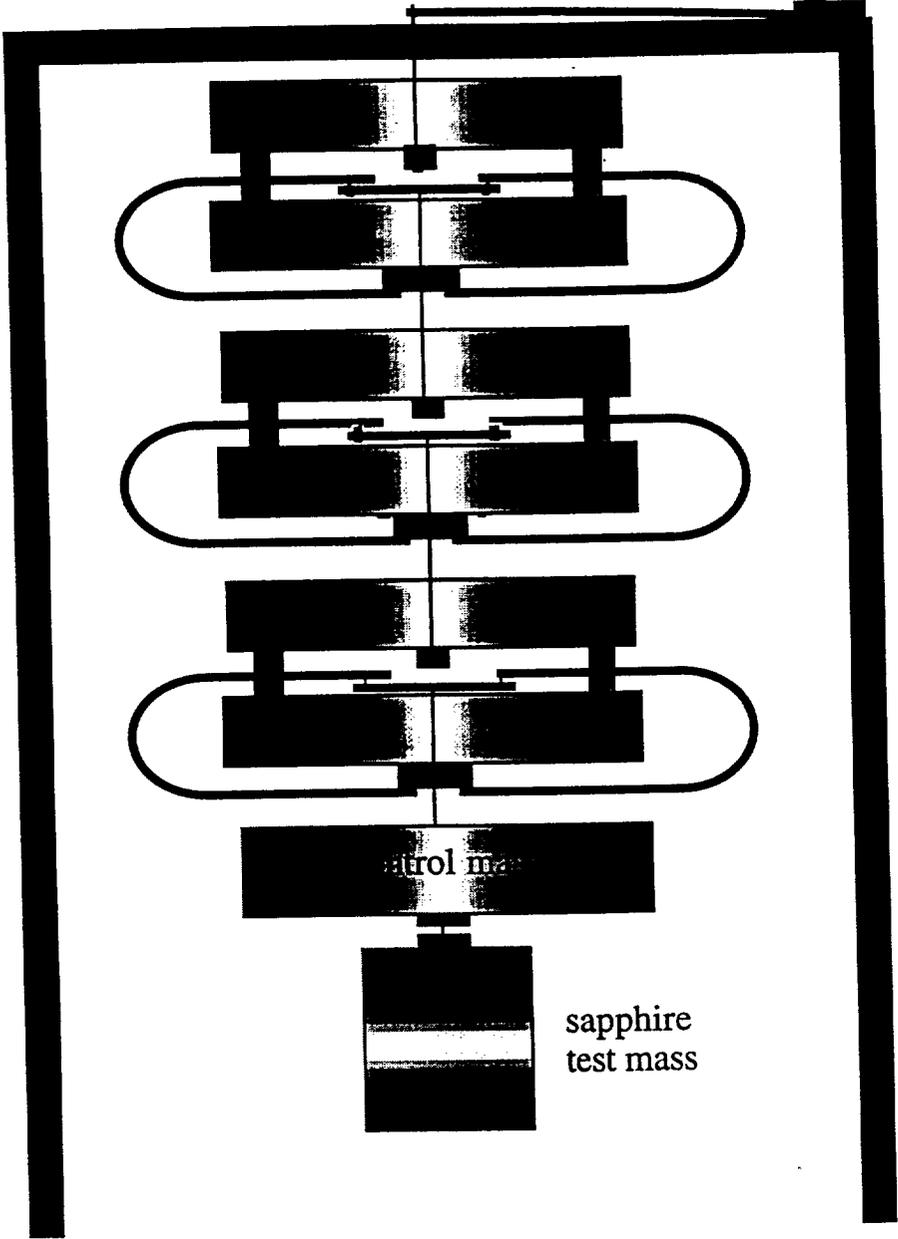
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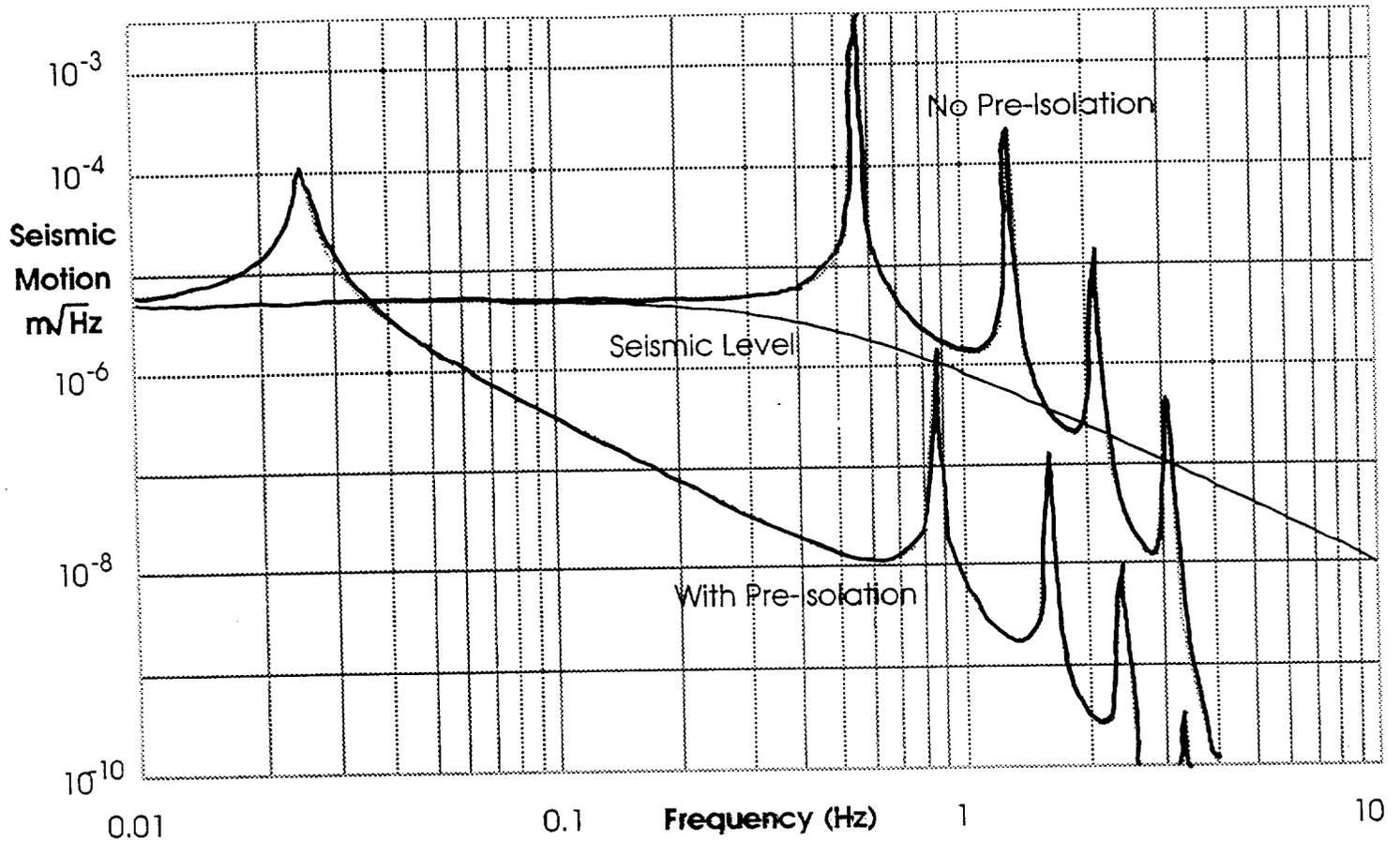
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# Vibration Isolator and Test Mass Suspension



# Predicted Level of Seismic Motion

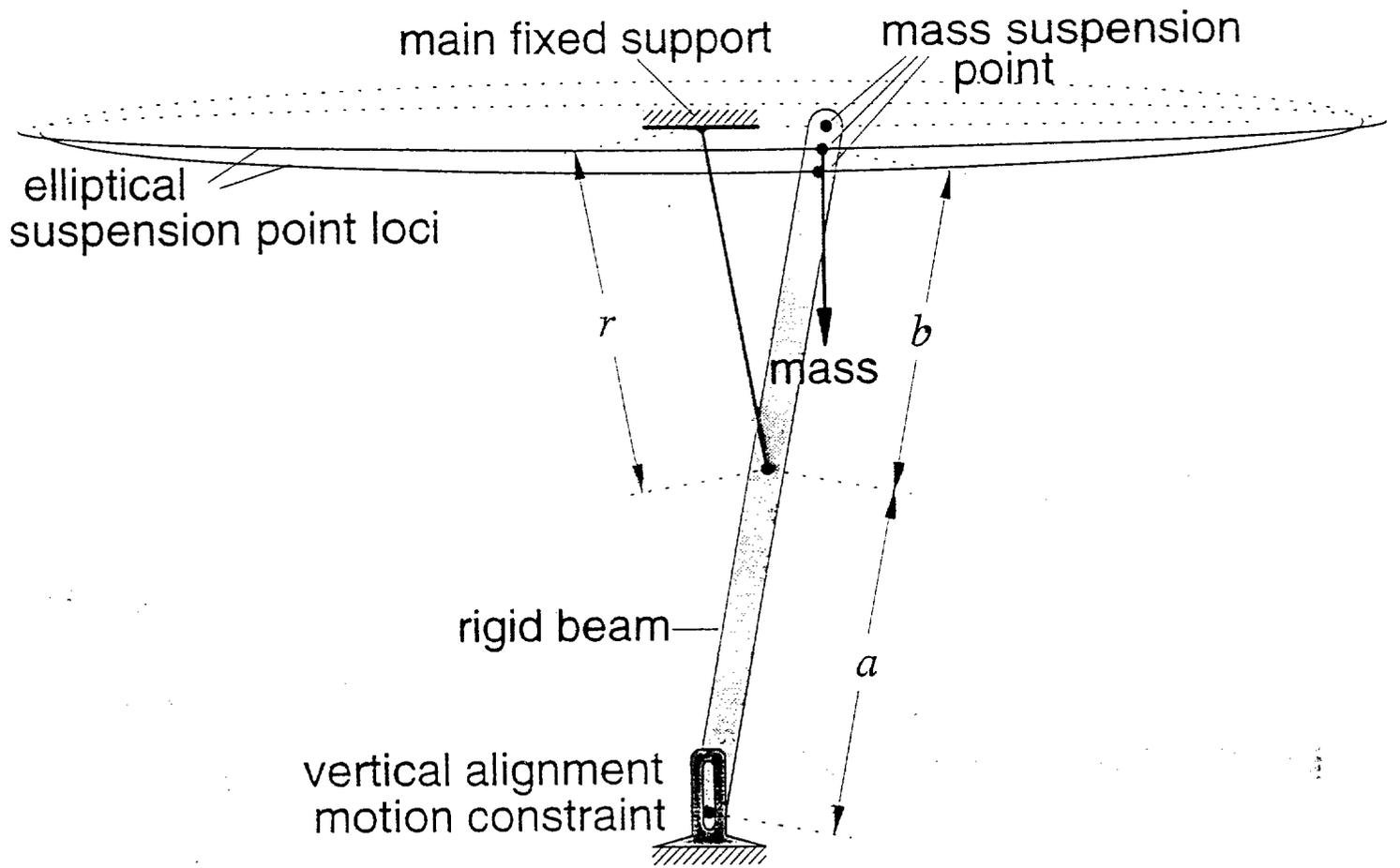


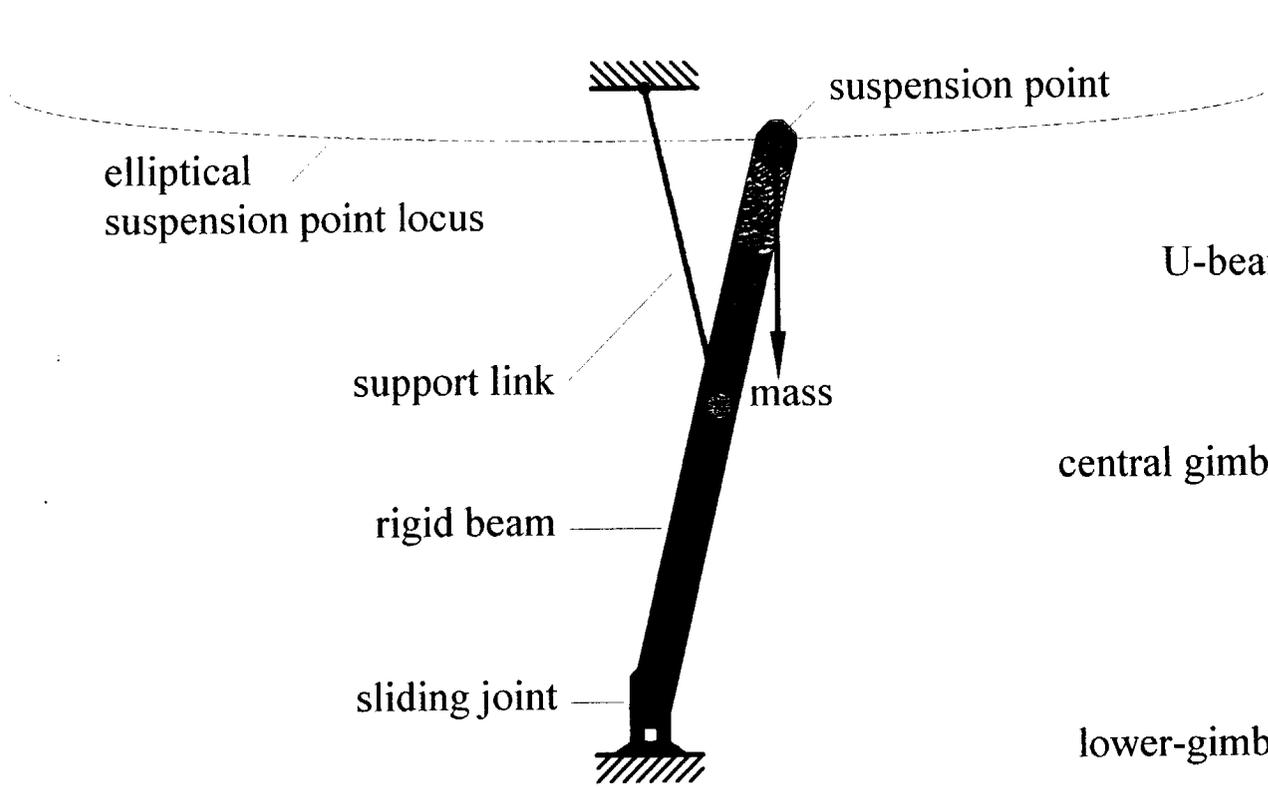
## Expected Performance :-

Estimating RMS content of dominant peaks with the formula  $RMS = A_0 \sqrt{\frac{f_0 \pi Q}{2}}$  gives :-

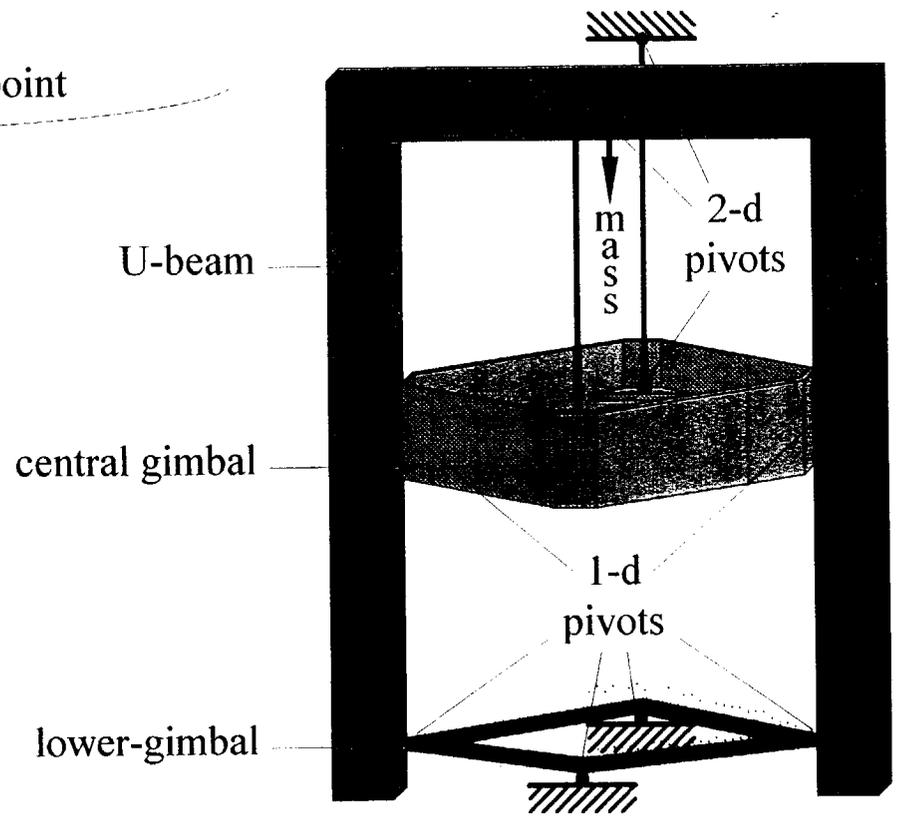
*Undamped* motion without pre-isolation = 0.13mm RMS @ 0.5Hz.

With pre-isolation reduces to 4.7μm @ 25mHz and 0.074μm @ 0.9Hz !

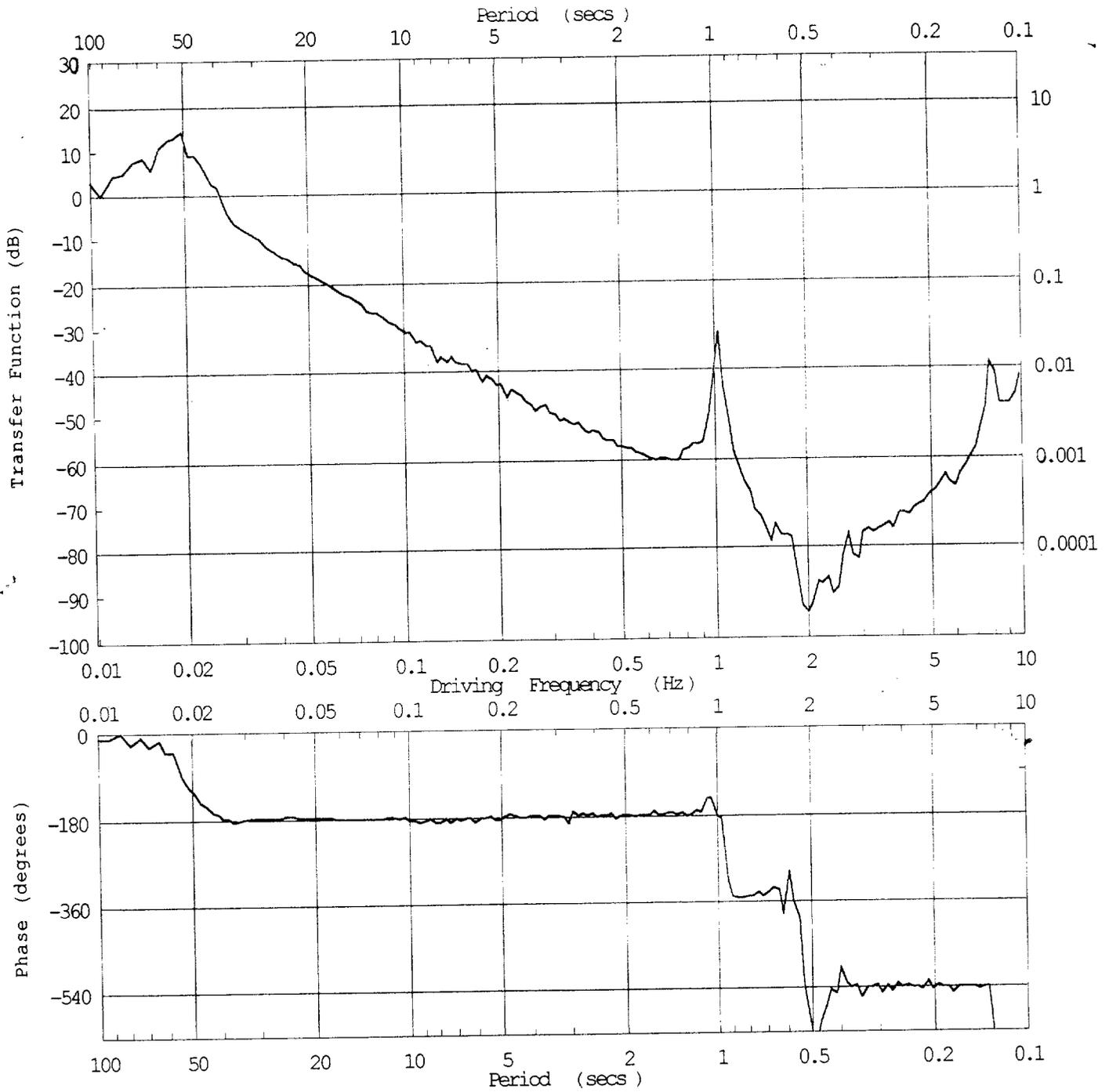




**Scott-Russel linkage basic geometry**



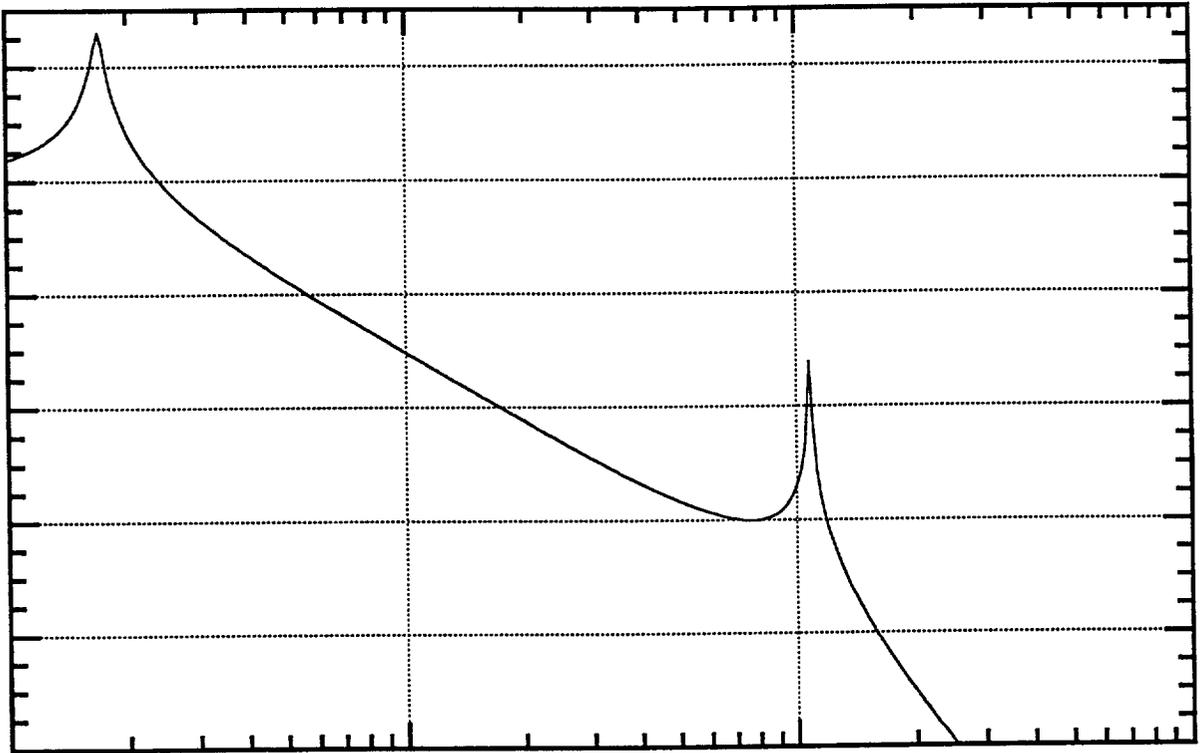
**One Pre-isolator Realisation**

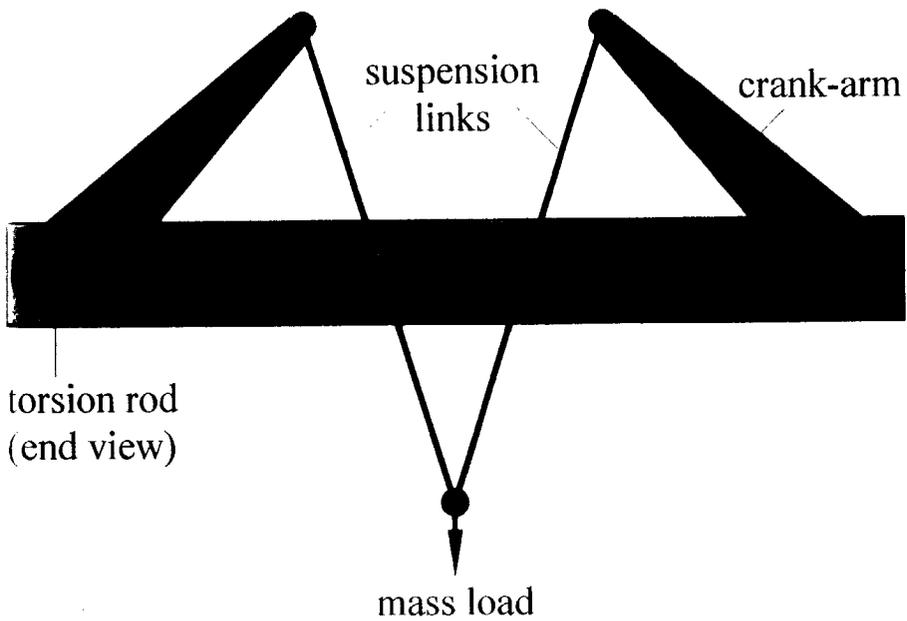


**Transfer Function for y-axis (flat profile motion)**  
 (~160kg load, x-axis c.o.p well nulled)

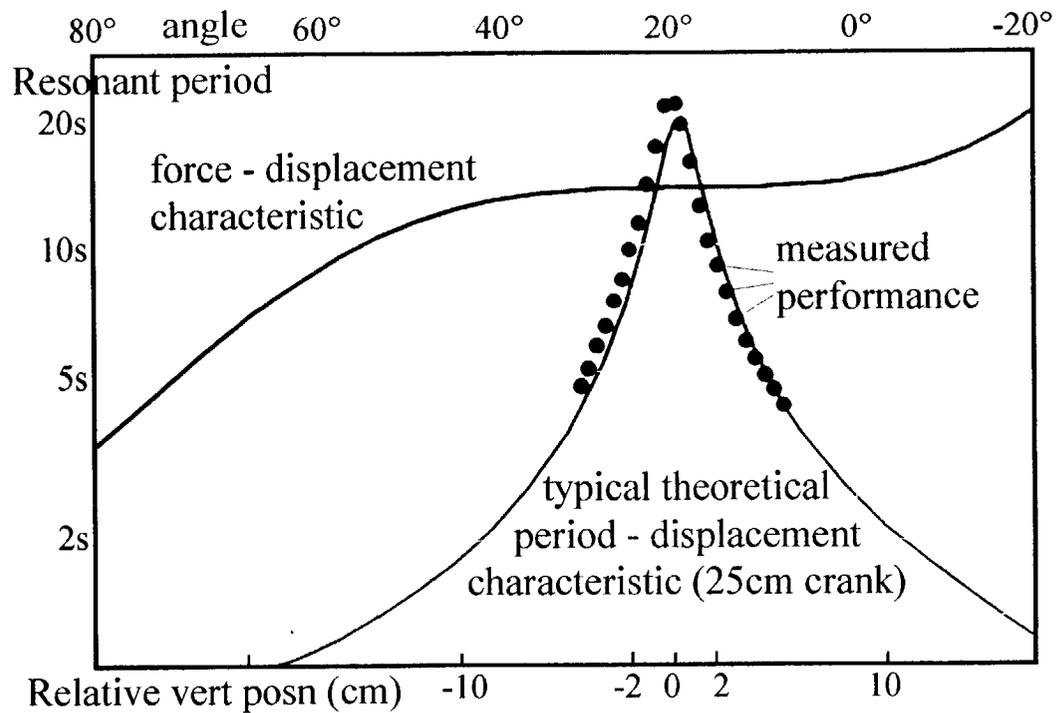
*Handwritten notes:*  
 7:00 ... 9:39 ...

Figure 1. The plot of  $\ln(I/I_0)$  versus  $x$  for the case of  $\mu = 0.1$  and  $\sigma = 0.1$ .

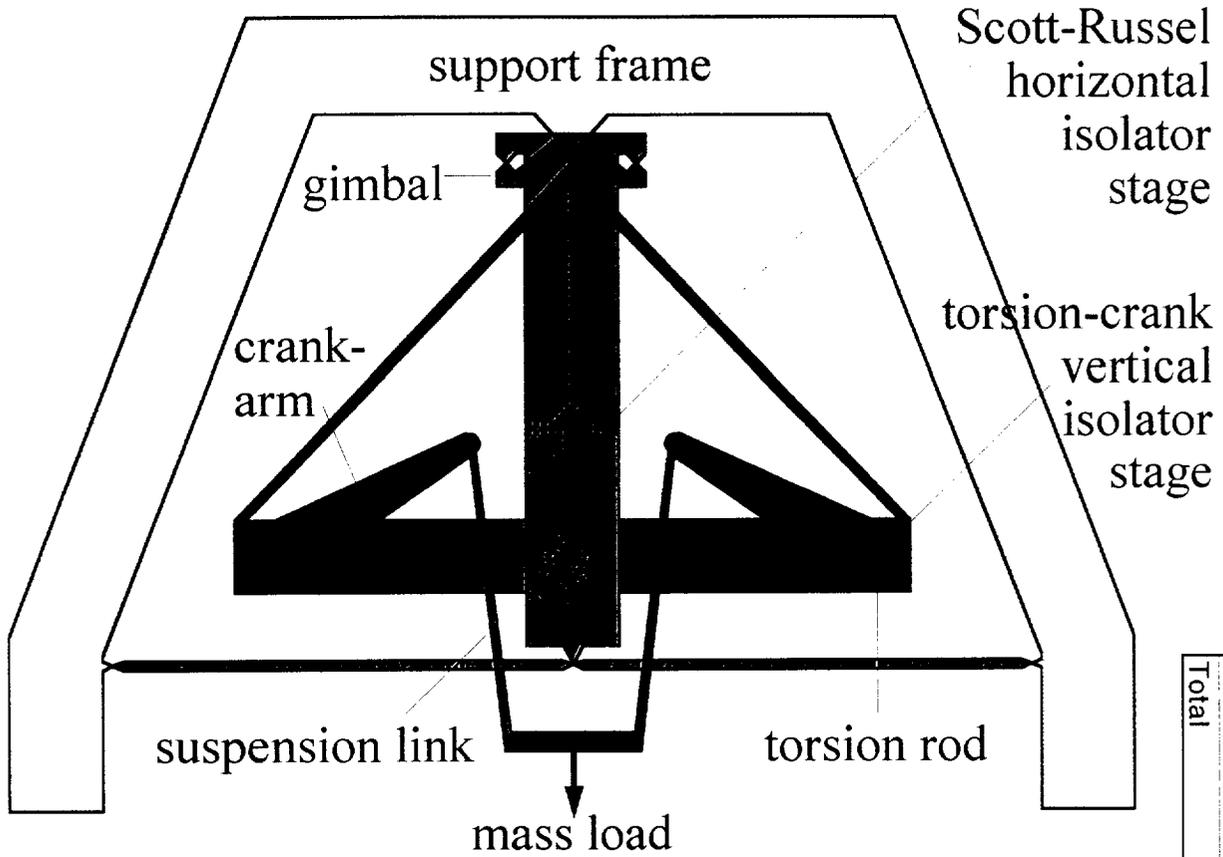




**Torsion crank vertical pre-isolator.**



**Theoretical curves and measured performance**



## Cascaded horizontal and vertical pre-isolators

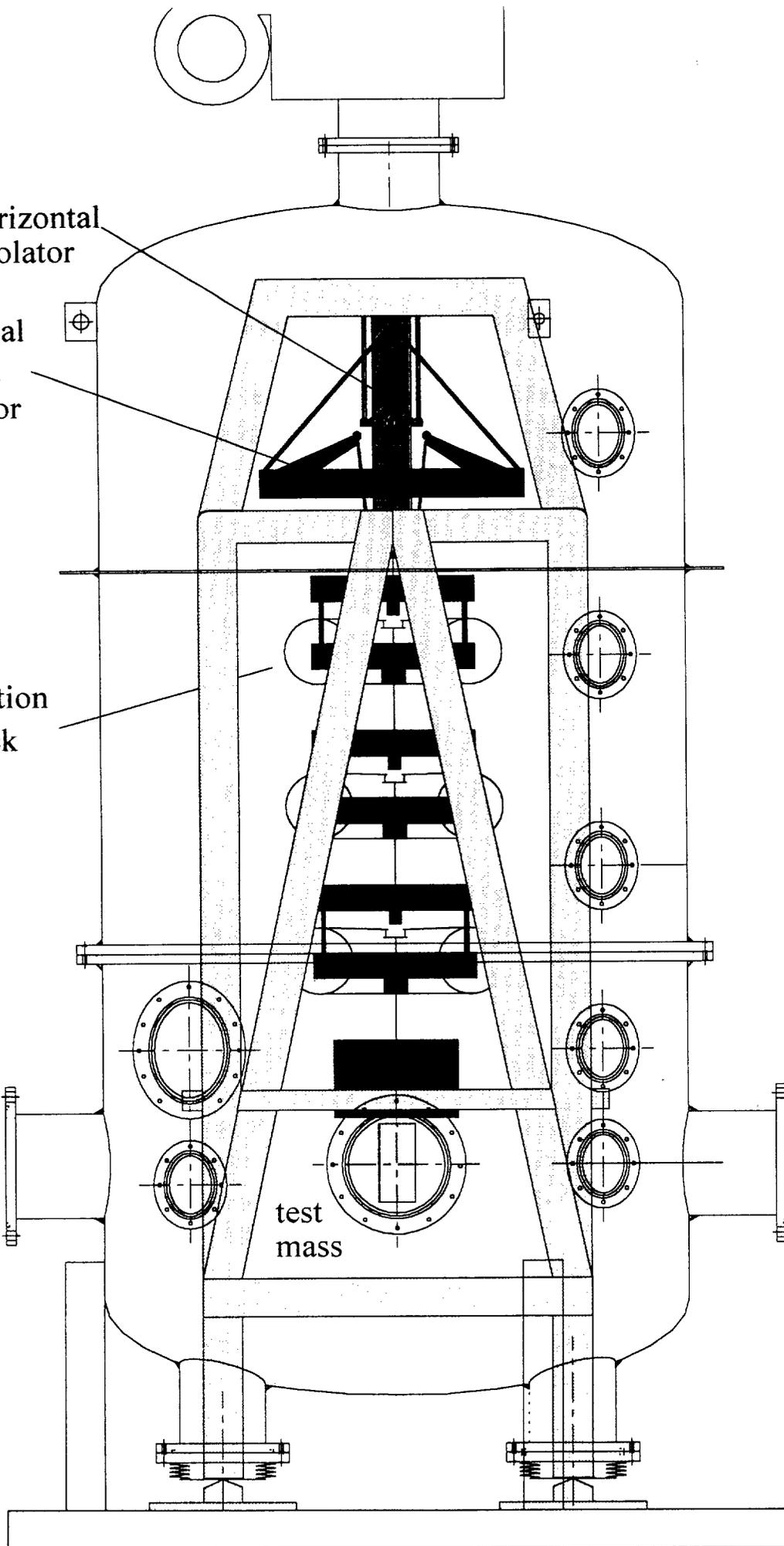
Seismoscope (100,000)	1	\$1,000	
Maintenance		\$2,000	
Total		\$24,265	

2-d horizontal  
pre- isolator

vertical  
pre-  
isolator

isolation  
stack

test  
mass



# Sapphire Test Masses for Laser Interferometer Gravitational Wave Detectors

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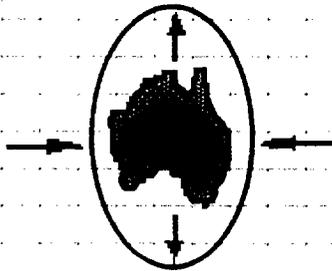
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# Properties of Sapphire

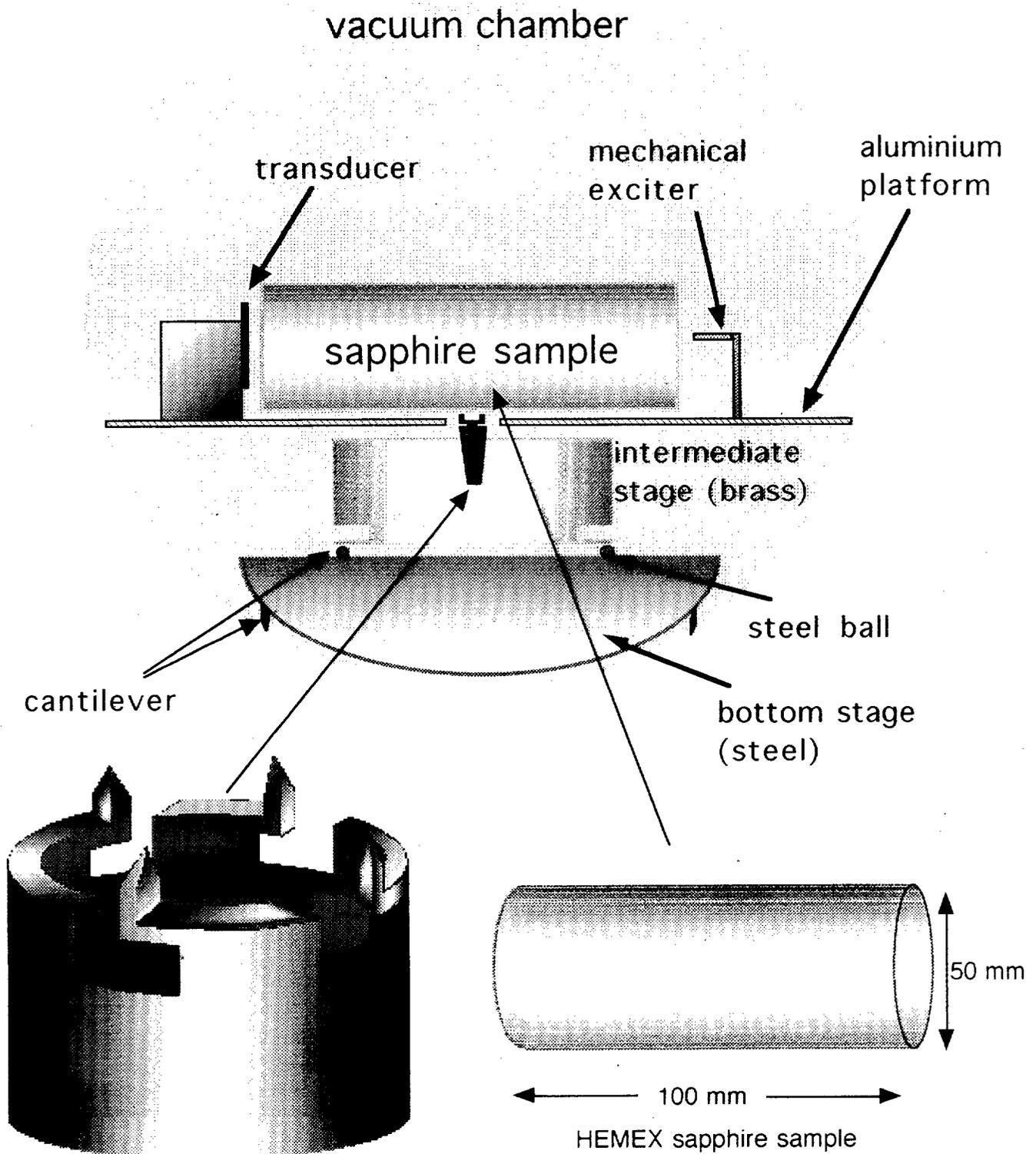
## Advantages

	sapphire	fused silica
<b>Very low acoustic loss</b> <i>(low thermal noise)</i>	$< 10^{-8}$	$\sim 10^{-7}$
<b>Very high sound velocity</b> <i>(high internal mode frequency, hence low thermal noise)</i>	$\sim 10^4 \text{ ms}^{-1}$	$\sim 6 \times 10^3 \text{ ms}^{-1}$
<b>Low optical absorption</b>	$\sim 3 \times 10^{-6}/\text{cm}$	$\sim 1 \times 10^{-6}/\text{cm}$
<b>High Thermal Conductivity</b> <i>(low thermal lensing)</i>	46 W/m-K	14 W/m-K
<b>High quality mirrors</b>	few ppm losses	ppm losses

## Disadvantages

<b>Birefringence</b> <i>(need accurate alignment and control)</i>	Intrinsic	Isotropic
<b>Rayleigh Scattering</b> <i>(extra loss)</i>	$19 \times 10^{-6}/\text{cm}$	$2 \times 10^{-6}/\text{cm}$

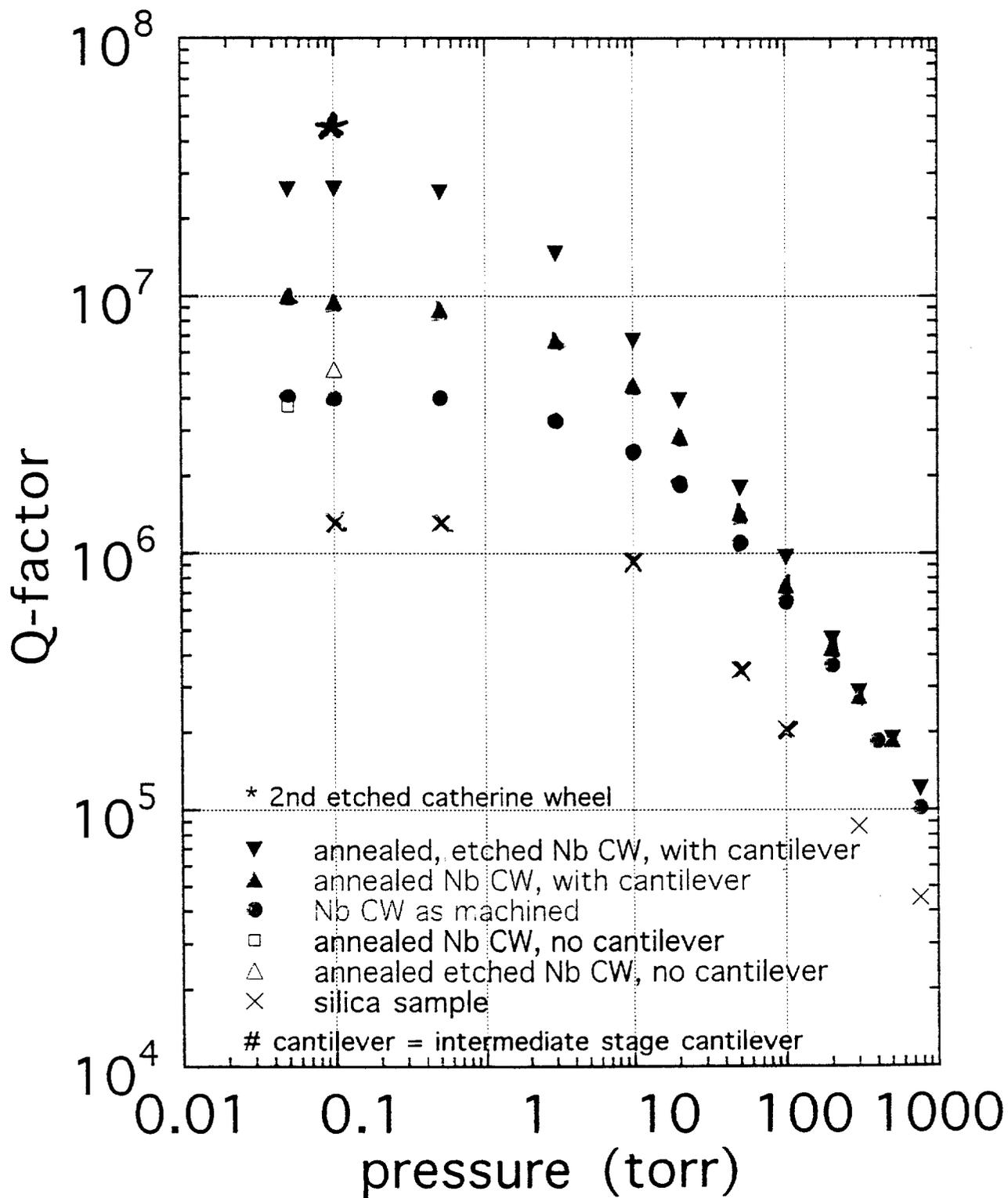
# Suspension System

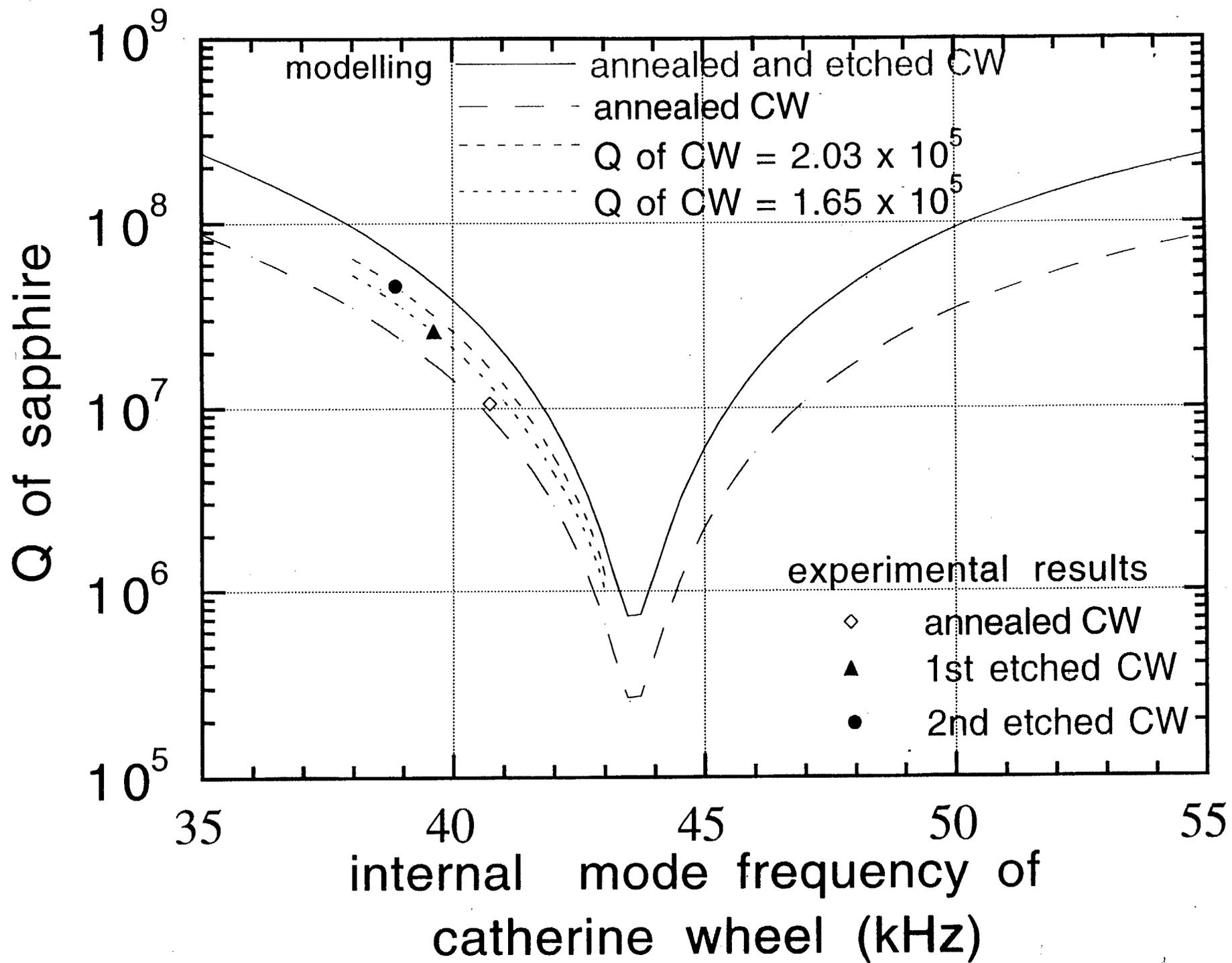


niobium catherine wheel  
(as machined, annealed, etched)

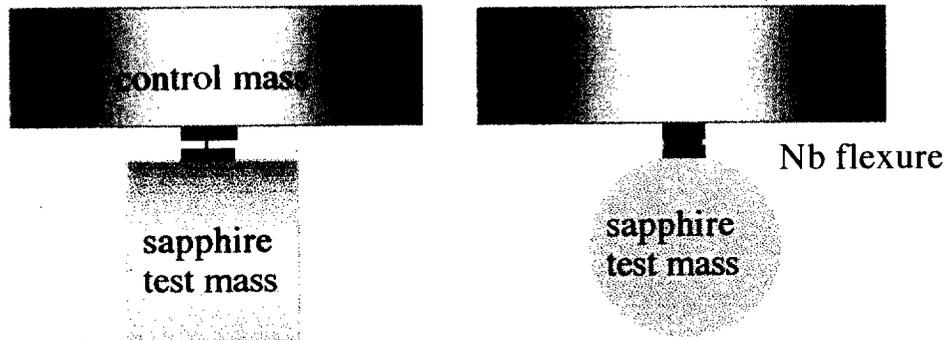
lowest longitudinal mode 53.4 kHz

# Q-factor of sapphire and silica vs. pressure





# Compound Pendulum Suspension



## Advantages:

- Avoid violin string modes:  $f_{vio} > 4\text{kHz}$
- High pendulum Q-factor :  $Q_p \sim 10^{10}$
- High mechanical integrity: well defined boundary conditions
- Easy to control
- Negligible thermoelastic losses

## Choice of Nb flexure

- Thermal expansion matching sapphire
  - Low acoustic loss
- $Q \sim 5 \times 10^6$  (1ton)
- $Q \sim 1.4 \times 10^6$  (3mm thick disk)
- Q expect  $10^5$  (assuming  $30\mu\text{m}$ )

## Thermoelastic effect of niobium flexure at room temperature

The thermoelastic loss of a flexure  $\phi_{th} = \Delta \frac{\omega\tau_{th}}{1 + (\omega\tau_{th})^2}$  ,

$$\Delta = \frac{E \alpha^2 T}{C_v \kappa_{th}}$$

$$\tau_{th} = \frac{C_v d^2}{\pi^2 \kappa_{th}} \text{ (foil)}$$

$$\tau_{th} = \frac{C_v t^2}{4.32 \pi \kappa_{th}} \text{ (wire)}$$

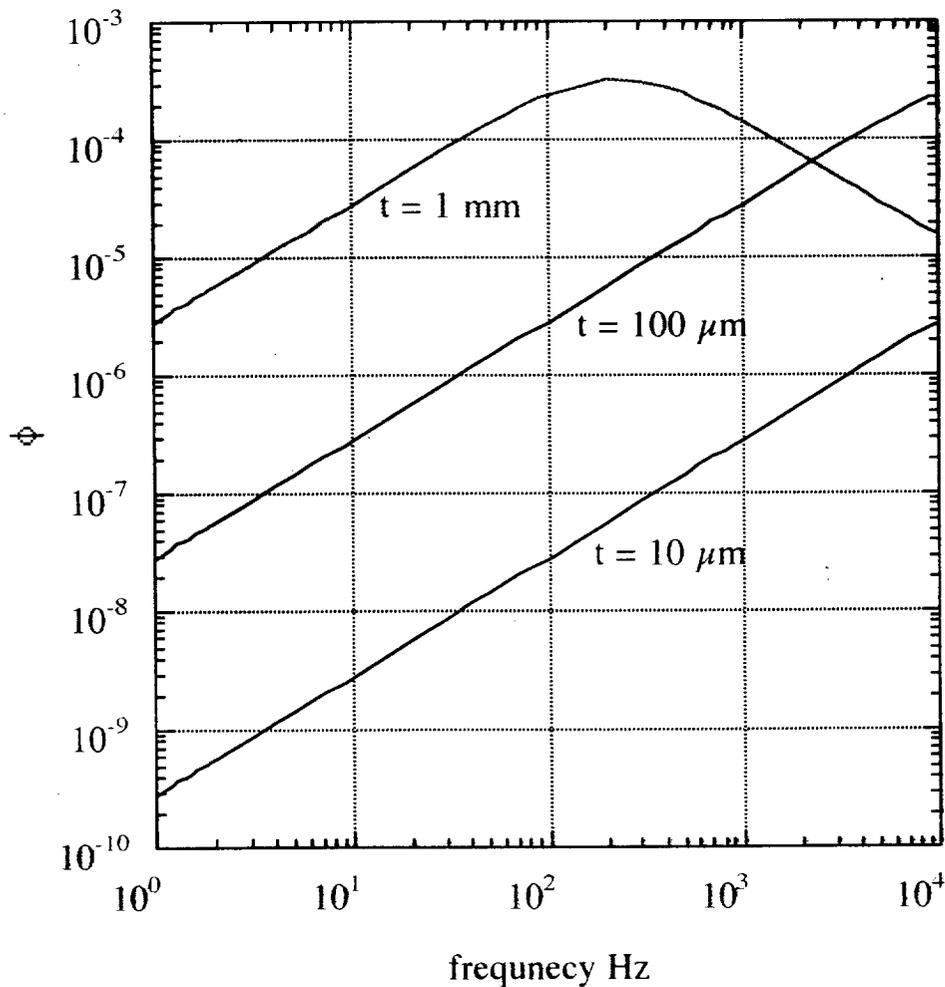
E-- Young's modulus;  $\alpha$ --thermal expansion coefficient;

$\kappa_{th}$  -- thermal conductivity;  $C_v$  -- specific heat per volume;

T -- temperature;  $t$  -- thickness of the flexure;  $d$  -- diameter of the flexure.

\* For same relaxation time  $\tau_{th}$ , the wire diameter  $d = 1.17t$

Nb.:  $E = 10^{11} \text{ Nm}^{-2}$ ,  $\alpha = 7 \times 10^{-6} / \text{K}$ ,  $\kappa_{th} = 52 \text{ w m}^{-2} \text{ k}^{-1}$ .  $C_v = 2.25 \times 10^6 \text{ J m}^{-3} \text{ K}^{-1}$



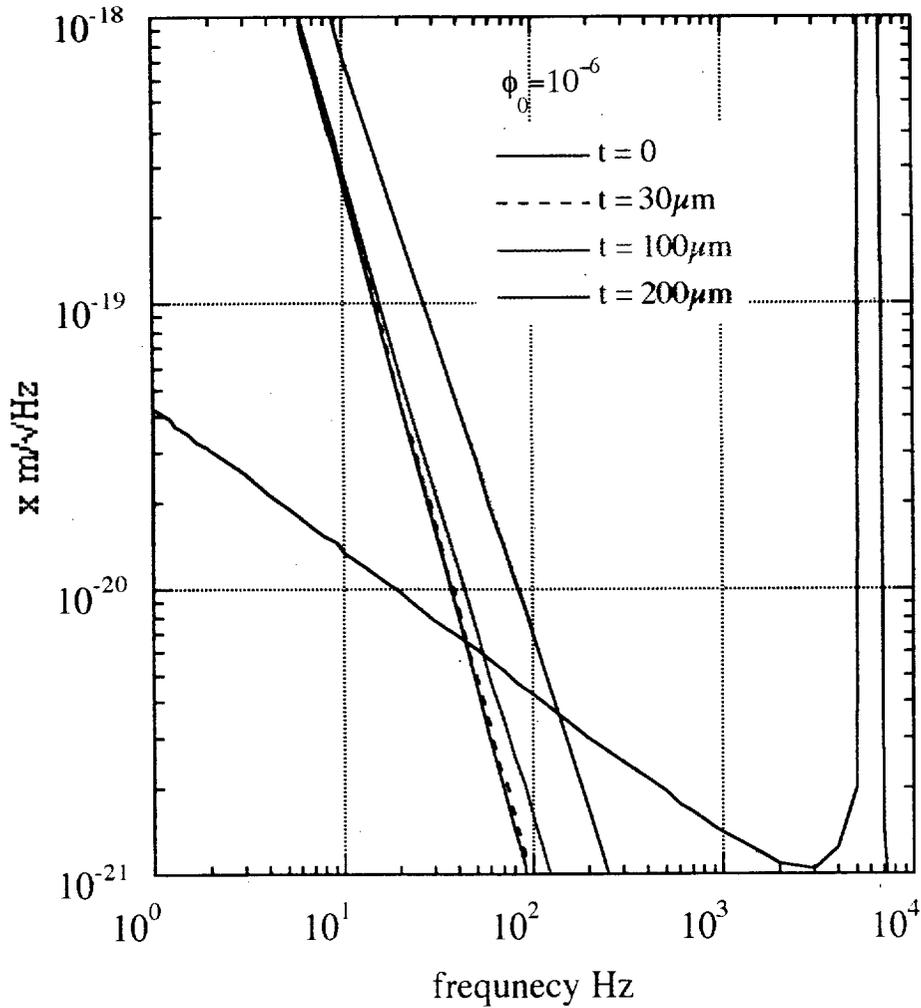
The thermal noise of a pendulum

$$x^2 = \frac{4k_B T \phi_p \omega_p^2}{m \omega^5} \quad (\text{m}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}})$$

$$\phi_p = (\phi_o + \beta^{-1} \phi_{th}).$$

$\beta$  -- Pendulum Q-enhancement factor,  $\phi_o$ -- intrinsic loss of the flexure material

If  $m=10\text{kg}$ ,  $\beta = 10^3$ ,  $\phi_o = 10^{-6}$



\*  $\beta \propto t^{3/2}$ . The flexure has to satisfy the strength requirement. Propose use of  $\sim 30\mu\text{m}$  foil.

Sample	Size	$\alpha$	absorption	birefringence
Crystal systems Hemex	$\phi 50 \times 100$	$5 \times 10^7$	—	$> 0.05^\circ/\text{cm}$
Crystal systems ?	$\phi 30 \times 100$	$2.6 \times 10^7$	$> 2.0 \text{ ppm/cm}$	$> 0.06/\text{cm}$
Russian	$\phi 30 \times 100$	$1.6 \times 10^7$	—	—
Chinese (RISC)	$\phi 20 \times 80$	$2 \times 10^7$	$\sim 2.0 \text{ ppm/cm}$	—
C.S HEMEX	$10 \times 10 \times 20$	—	$\sim 55 \text{ ppm/cm}$	$> 0.02/\text{cm}$
ESI white	"	"	$\sim 3 \text{ ppm/cm}$	—

**Table 2: The PEM Carts instrumentation (one per site).**

	<i>Equipment</i>	<i>Chan (units)</i>	<i>Unit Total k\$</i>	
<b>Sensing Equipment on carts</b>				
Seismic Noise	3x3 accelerometer	9	1.1	10
Acoustic Noise	Electret Microphones	2	1.2	3
Magnetic Field	3 axis magnetometer	3 (1)	6	6
	Custom magnetometer	3	3	3
RF Interference	Broadband RF Receiver	1 RS232	2.5	3
Contam +RGA	Contr.head control RGA	1 RS232	50	50
Weather Mon	T and RH	10 (5)	0.2	1
<b>Excitation Equipment on carts</b>				
Signal Generator	SRS DS 335	3 (3) RS232	1.5	5
Seismic Noise	PZT shakers	NONE (12)	8(TBD)	96
	E-M Shaker	NONE (3)	8(TBD)	32
Acoustic Noise	Loudspeaker	NONE (1 )	2	2
Magnetic Field	Custom design	NONE (1)	2 TBD	2
RF noise	RF Generator	1 (1) RS 232	13	13
DAQ cart: TOTAL	parts and	(estimated)	90	
Other carts, TOTAL	tools, parts and	(estimated)	14	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>COST</b>	<b>per site:</b>	<b>330</b>	



**Table 3: Initial PEM System characteristics and estimated costs. (For carts see table 2)**

	<i>Detector</i>	<i>Nr WA+LA</i>	<i>Cost k\$</i>	
			<i>Unit</i>	<i>Total</i>
Seismic Noise	3 axis seismometer	5 + 3	14	112
	2 axis tiltmeter	5 + 3	10	80
	1 axis accelerometer	99+36	1.1 149	
Acoustic Noise	B&K Microphone	29+12	1.5	62
Magnetic Field	3 axis magnetometer	7 + 1	6.5	52
Thunderstorm Mon	satellite service	1 + 0	28y1	18/y
RF Interference	Broadband Receivers	4 + 4	2.5	20
RF Interference	Narrowband Receiver	2 + 1	.5	8
Cosmic Muons	Scintillator Detector	1 + 1	10	20
Power Line	Line Monitor	2 + 1	6.	18
Residual Gas RGA	Head; controller	9+5 & 6+4	35&25	490&250
Contamination TBD	Crystal Head	8 + 5	4	52
	controller	5 + 3	10	80
Weather Monitor	Weather Station	5 + 3	0.8	7
	T and T/RH	25 + 12	0.24	9
Dust Monitor	Dust Part. Det.	21+13	3.2	109
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>COST</b>	<b>(no carts)</b>	<b>1546</b>	
<b>Other costs:</b>	<b>Mechanical:</b>	<b>(no CDS )</b>	<b>164</b>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>COST<sub>w/carts</sub></b>	<b>(No CDS)</b>	<b>2370</b>	

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