



# Feedforward Seismic Noise Cancellation At The 40M Interferometer

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- ▶ Filter out Seismic Noise from the 40m Interferometer
- ▶ Construct a feedforward online IIR Wiener filter
  - ▶ IIR Wiener filters are ideal
  - ▶ We want an online filter so that noise will then be accounted for in real time
  - ▶ Feedforward ensures that the filter will be implemented as the disturbance travels through the system

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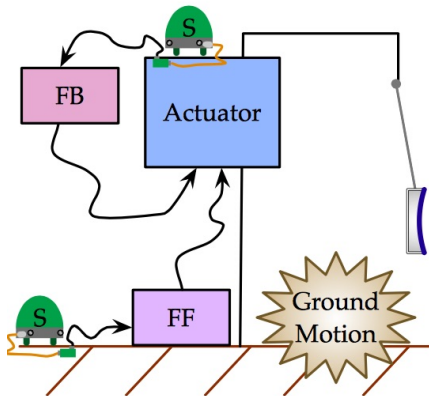
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**Figure:** The differences between a feedback loop and a feedforward loop [1]

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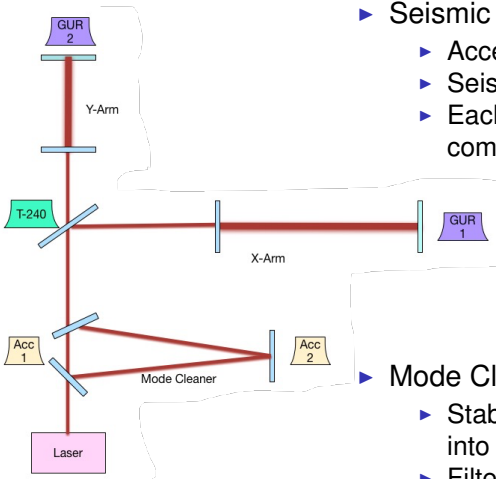
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## ▶ Seismic Noise

- ▶ Accelerometers
- ▶ Seismometers
- ▶ Each has an X, Y, and Z component

## ▶ Mode Cleaner

- ▶ Stabilizes laser as it goes into arms
- ▶ Filtering out noise from mode cleaner will also reduce noise in the arms



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- ▶ Target Signal is what we're trying to detect
- ▶ Witness Signal is what we use to detect the target signal
- ▶ We are trying to determine the error signal to filter it out

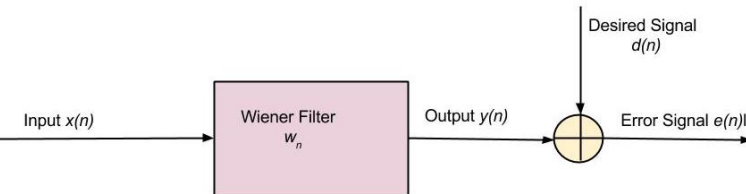


Figure: Wiener Filter

- ▶ Wiener filters minimize the following equation:

$$\xi = \langle \vec{d}(n)^2 \rangle - 2\vec{\omega}^T \vec{p} + \vec{\omega}^T R \vec{\omega} \quad (1)$$

- ▶  $\xi$  is the RMS of the error signal
  - ▶  $d$  is the signal to filter
  - ▶  $\vec{\omega}$  is the Wiener filter to solve for
  - ▶  $\vec{p}$  is a cross-correlation vector between witness and target signals
  - ▶  $R$  is witness correlation matrix between witness signals
- ▶ Coefficients are then applied to data in Matlab

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# Pre-Filtering Techniques

- ▶ Goal is to optimize the RMS, so it will affect the Wiener filter
- ▶ Bandpass filter was used
- ▶ Elliptic: Control filter order, passband ripple, and stopband attenuation

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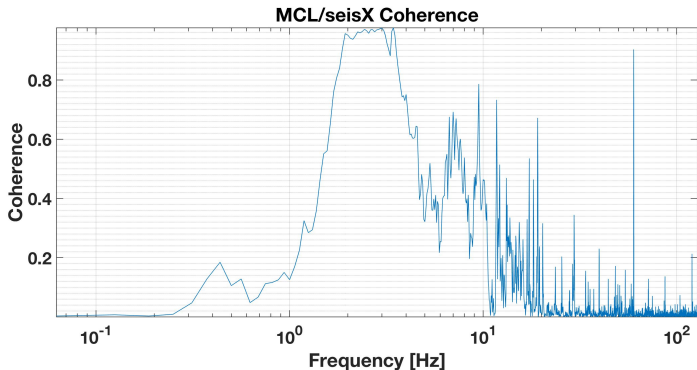
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- Find frequency range from coherence levels cutoff



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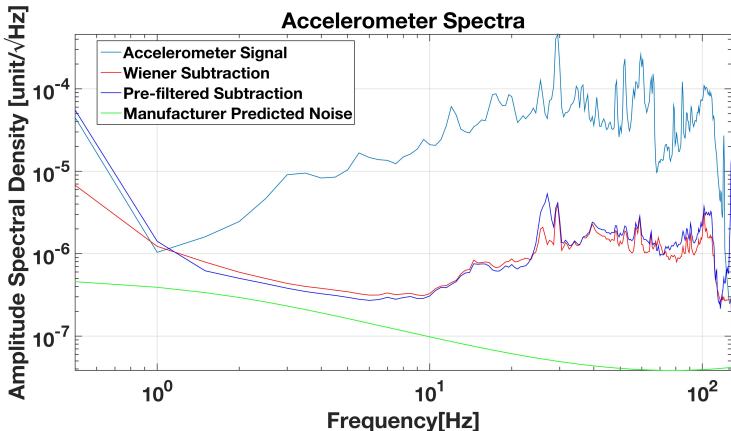
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## Accelerometer Spectra



The use of a pre-filter showed little improvement from a Wiener filter without pre-filtering

- ▶ Online subtraction is ideal because then the mirrors will be moved as little as possible
- ▶ Online allows for the system to be mechanically optimized
- ▶ Offline subtraction can only work with previously acquired data

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# Implementing Online Subtraction

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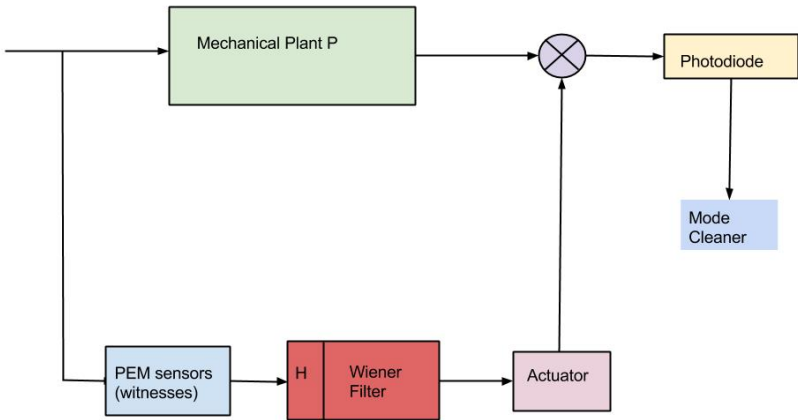
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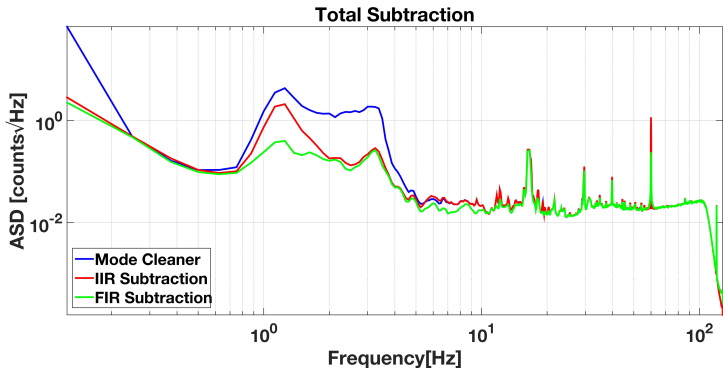




# Offline MCL Subtraction

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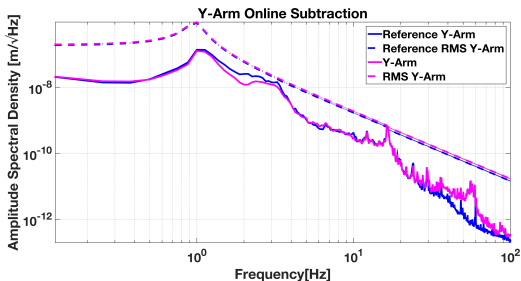
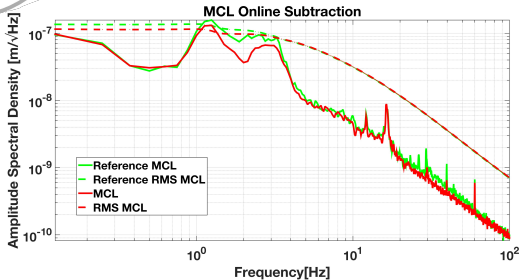
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Results of the  
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of the mode  
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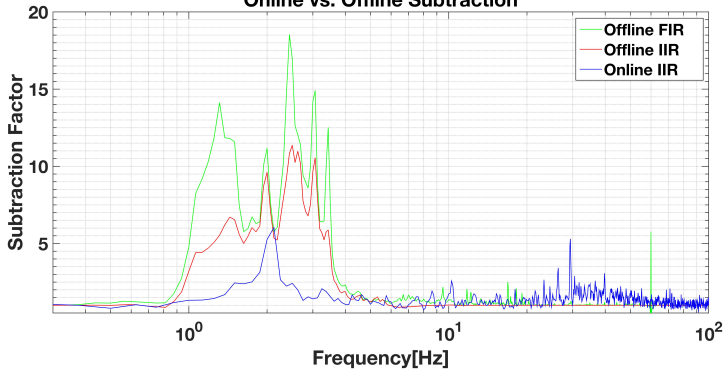


# Online vs. Offline

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# Conclusion

- ▶ Steps towards methodical pre-filtering
- ▶ Online IIR Wiener filtering was implemented

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