

# **Squeezer Update Review**

February 9, 2010 H1 Squeezer Experiment

ANU, AEI, MIT, CIT and LHO collaboration

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# Highlights

### □ New postdoc: Lisa B.

### ANU OPO development

- Ready to ship (schedule says March 2010).
- Traveling wave bowtie design works.
- Grad. students will travel to MIT to set it up.

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- > RF electronics: built, 50% installed, working.
- > TTFSS for laser locking: built, installed, working.
- > Demodulator design by Rich A., 1<sup>st</sup> unit in hand, working.
- Servo board (CM): 2 units built, ready for testing.
- Slow controls (Beckhoff): 1 unit built, working.
- Completion expected: May 2010.
- - Lasers fully operational, locked with 1MHz bandwidth.
  - > Optics ordered for SHG mirrors, HR mirrors, beam splitters, dichroics.





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### ANU Traveling wave OPO







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## Previously

- Grad. students Sheila D. (MIT), Sheon C. (ANU) and Michael S. (ANU)
- OPO development at ANU
  - > 6 dB of squeezing observed, traveling wave bowtie design works
- AEI loaner SHG at MIT
- Noise model and simulation completed
  - Showed we can eliminate fiber stabilization
  - All network compensation filters are designed
  - No show stopper

### Schedule

- OPO development at ANU basically completed on schedule
- AEI homodyne detector at ANU
- Noise model completed
- Assembly at MIT
  - Lasers, laser locking done
  - Optics procurement about ~2 months late
  - > OPO integration will be about ~2 months late (will start May 2010)
- □ Electronics production at LHO
  - About 80% complete, on schedule to complete May 2010

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- Continue to test AEI SHG Built our own when we get the optics
  OPO to arrive in May 2010

   OPO integration will start immediately afterwards

  Electronics production will wrap up in May 2010
  Advanced LIGO Faraday isolator (Mike S.) assembled by June 2010
  Need to start thinking about in-vacuum work
- □ Initial funding (210k) is exhausted

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# **Budget Request**

Task	Remainder	FY10: Q3/Q4
Electronics	55k	55k
Remote beam alignment	25k	0k
Remaining optics (e.g., lenses)	50k	50k
OPO super polished optics	25k	25k
In-vacuum stuff (excl. Faraday)	10k	10k
Travel	60k	20k
Total	225k	160k

Past request: 210k (all spent and committed by end of January) Original request: 430k total

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# Summary

- □ Lasers and OPO ready
- Electronics is nearing completion
- No major roadblocks so far
- □ More funding is required now
- On budget & on schedule