

# On detector timing: the dawn of S3



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### DAQ timing measurements for the last 4 weeks

- » LHO 4K
- » LHO 2K
- » LLO 4k

#### Caesium clock based timing system

- » Overview of instrumentation
- » Status
- » LLO problem identified and eliminated
- » LHO results for all LVEs
- Summary









# **Timing distribution system geometry**

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04 366 23 59 48



- 1. Fixed Caesium clock for long term stability
- 2. Portable Rb clock for mobility
- 3. Optical fiber based distribution system to ensure centralized timing

~ 100 m

Mid X

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04 866 28 59 48

04 366 23 59 48

# 4. GPS – Cs time comparators

LVEA 1

04 866 28 59 48



Generators at VEAs

## LIGO Timing distribution system components at MSR at LHO



## LIGO Timing distribution system components at MSR at LLO



#### **LIGO** Timing distribution system components at LVEA/Mid/End stations





## **Preferred portable Rubidium clock**

#### Main Features:

- GPS with Rubidium clock
- Outputs of 10MHz, 1PPS, IRIG B, RS232
- Inputs of 1 PPS, IRIG-B, 10MHz
- Time Accuracy: 1µs relative to UTC (std.)
  50ns relative to UTC (option)
- Frequency Accuracy: 2E-12
- Display of Time, Date, Status & BIT
- 1-hour Rechargeable Battery Back-up
- Built In Test Up to 97%
- Operating Temperature: -20°C to +65°C (71°C for 30 min)
- Holdover (no GPS): 1µs/24hours, 5E-11/month
- Full MIL-STD Qualification for Mil.
- Applications.





#### AR-51A Inputs / Outputs









Time lag between the significant edges of CsIII atomic clock 1PPS and the LIGO GPS timer 1PPS

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- DAQ timing measurements indicate acceptable DAQ timing performance at all LIGO LSCs
  - » Still some jumping during pre-run periods
- Caesium clock based timing system is successfully installed in record time
  - » LHO has a nearly full featured system
    - Calibration, fiber delay measurements are post S3 activities
    - System works without supervision
  - » LLO has new timing hardware installed
    - Serius and hidden problem was identified via the help of the new system
    - Administrative resistance inhibited pre S3 epics integration
      - No trend generation for S3 in LLO
    - Integration, calibration, fiber delay measurements are post S3 activities

#### Timing looks good for S3 and the new timing system is a pleasure to work with