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UV LED Charge Management Progress Report





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UV LED Lifetime Beats Mercury Lamp

- UV LED Emission Lifetime > 5,077 Hours
 - As of Dec. 1, 2006 (5 PM)
 - Power stability within measurement error (~5 %)
 - Fast modulation with 10% duty cycle
 - Compared with mercury lamp lifetime of 5000 hrs
- UV LED Spectral Stability
 - Central wavelength ~256 nm
 - No spectral shift observed in all three measurements (start, 1000 hrs, and 3000 hrs)



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UV LED Lifetime Experiment





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UV LED Operated for AC Charge Management

UV LED Direct Readout





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Relative Power Stability











Relative Spectral Stability







UV LED Charge Management Plan at Stanford

- UV LED system development
 - LISA /LIGO dual use
 - Must have flexible modulation capability
 - High power version for LIGO only
 - Supply the UV LED system to LIGO Labs
- Vacuum chamber commission and renovation
 - UV grade fused silica window
 - Gauges
- AC charge management system for LIGO proof mass charging/discharging
- Remote measurement of surface potential
- Substrate direct charge management
- Conductive coating charge management
- Modeling efforts will parallel



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High Vacuum Chamber for LIGO UV Experiment





- Vertical vacuum jar good for suspension
- Ion Pump
- 10-7 to 10-9 torr



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UV Grade Fused Silica Transmission Good for LIGO Chamber Window





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BK7 Glass Transmission Curve Cutoff at ~330 nm





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Conductive Coating Patterns





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UV Illumination Schemes for UV AC Charge Management

• Direct illumination

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- UV mercury lamp is routinely used for attachment removal
- UV LED has sufficient power for cw or pulsed direct illumination
- Need to make sure no solarization (tanning) effect

- Illumination on coatings
 - Thin Au coating on noncritical portions of test mass and suspension structure
 - Photoelectric effect on thin Au coating is common mechanism for photocathode
 - Higher throughput in charge control







Coordinating with LIGO Project

- Let us know what we can help
 - Gregg's and Charging List's emails very helpful
 - LIGO site configuration info
 - Items needed
 - Requirements
 - Schedule and test plan
 - Some LIGO funds?



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