

LIGO II: REQUIREMENTS & CONFIGURATIONS

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Working Group Intersections (1)

□ Thermal lensing in the core optics (all 3)

- limits optical power in the interferometer, & thus sensing noise
- new materials: optical properties vs. mechanical (thermal noise) prop.
- drives the development of configurations more tolerant to thermal distortions (readout techniques, or all-reflective configurations)

□ Phase modulators (L&O & AIC)

- location(s) determined by sensing system design
- sensing noise produced by modulator imperfections

□ Photodiodes (L&O & AIC)

- configuration affects: power; uniformity & scattering requirements

□ Optics fabrication (L&O & AIC)

- mirror coatings: signal recycling design specifies the transmittance of the input test masses
- optical quality determines the power & signal recycling gains

□ Mirror size/mass (all 3)

- thermal noise
- radiation pressure noise
- optical losses
- impacts suspension design
- constrained by fabrication capabilities

Working Group Intersections (2)

□ Dark fringe lock (all 3)

- trade-off between laser amplitude noise & tightness of dark fringe lock
- readout scheme affects the requirement on the above product
- suspension & isolation design: determines the un-servoed relative motions; affects the control system design via the actuator characteristics

□ Thermal noise (AIC & SWG)

- projected thermal noise contributions are taken as top-level design inputs by the AIC (more later)

AIC Design & Development Ingredients

□ Modeling

- ›› Frequency response & sensitivity
- ›› Sensing schemes
 - gravitational-wave readout
 - other length & alignment degrees-of-freedom
- ›› Optical noise couplings (laser frequency & amplitude noise, etc)
- ›› Effects of optical distortions
 - thermal lensing
 - optical polishing/coating imperfections
- ›› Many useful models exist or are in development
 - End-2-End; FFT; Modal; Melody (opto-thermal)

□ Prototyping

- ›› Table-top interferometers
 - 'efficient' way of examining sensing schemes
 - good for concentrating intellectual effort on these problems
- ›› Suspended interferometers
 - required before installing a new configuration in LIGO
 - 1st prototype to test signal recycling mirror sensing/control schemes
 - followed by a full-up engineering test of final optical configuration

AIC Top level requirements

- ❑ Performance should not be significantly limited by sensing noise (shot noise + radiation pressure)
 - thermal noise should be limiting noise source
 - may be difficult to get radiation pressure 'out of the way'

- ❑ Feasibility of meeting this goal is evaluated against observability of potential signals
 - binary inspiral signals
 - pulsar signals (known or unknown), at any frequency within 0 to ~1kHz
 - unknown wideband (pulse) signals

- ❑ Clearly, meeting this goal for all source types with a single interferometer type is not possible
 - design should allow some flexibility in the response shape
 - hopefully, we find that some choice of interferometer configuration that covers all cases with a core set of parameters

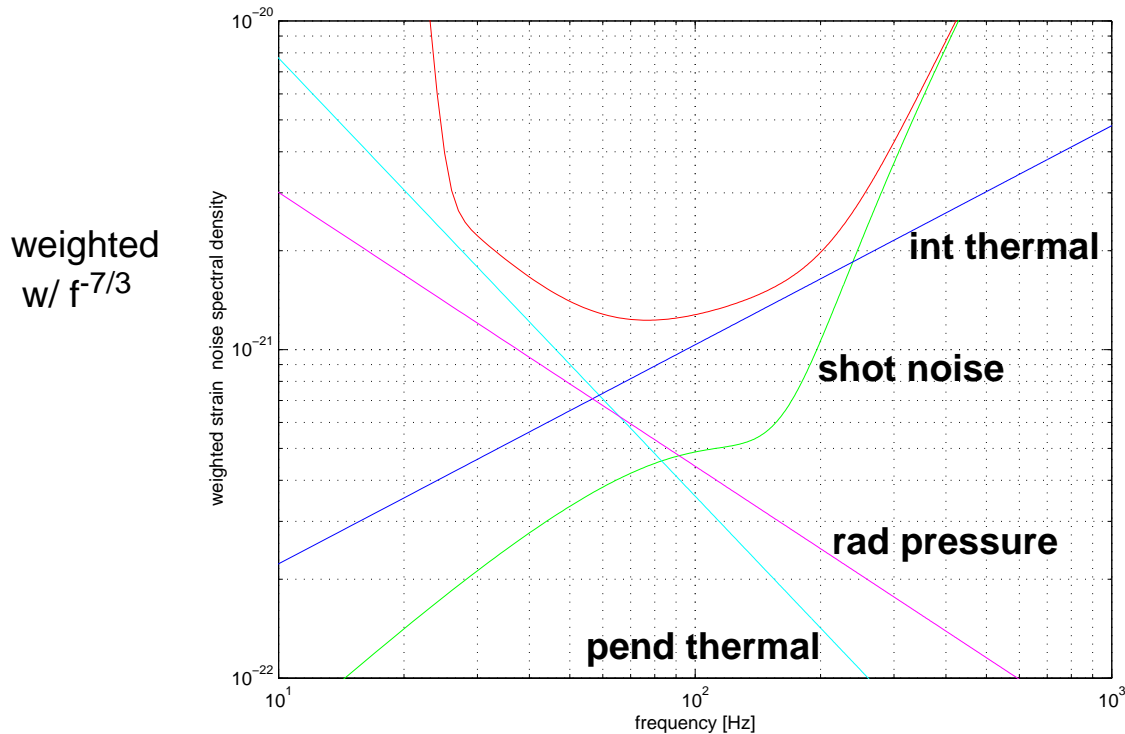
- ❑ Signal recycling of the initial LIGO configuration forms the basis for LIGO IIb upgrade – other candidates are LIGO III
 - Sagnac interferometers
 - Squeezing
 - Quantum non-demolition

Binary Inspiral

□ Calculate normalized (to LIGO I) observation range:

$$R \propto \sqrt{\int_1^{1 \text{ kHz}} h^{-2} f^{-7/3} df} \quad (R = 5.9 \text{ for WP curve 2})$$

T_{ITM}	T_{SRM}	ϕ_{SRM}	Input Power	Rel. Range R
10%	40%	2.3 rad	50 W	6.9
3%	45%	0.86 rad	100 W	7.1
1%	20%	0.27 rad	100 W	6.6
0.3%	4.5%	0.07 rad	100 W	5.7



Pulsars & Bursts

□ Again, try to make thermal noise dominant

- narrow the bandwidth; tune center frequency to anticipated signal frequency
- bandwidth depends on signal recycling mirror reflectivity; choice depends on science goals

T_{ITM}	T_{SRM}	strain/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ ($\times 10^{-24}$) / Hz		
		250 Hz sens/ BW	500 Hz sens/ BW	1 kHz sens/BW
1%	1%	3 / 65	2.3 / 90	2.4 / 200
1%	3%	3 / 90	2.7 / 200	4.0 / 500
1%	10%	4 / 150	4.2 / 500	not reached
3%	1%	3 / 30	2.2 / 40	2.1 / 80
3%	3%	3 / 50	2.4 / 80	3.0 / 190
3%	30%	4 / 200	5.5 / 600	not reached

□ Burst sources

- can't really optimize – not enough power to get thermal noise limited performance over whole frequency range
- alternative: starting with inspiral-optimized response, improve the wideband performance with only a small degradation of the inspiral sensitivity
- given the thermal noise assumptions used in these examples, designs performing like this can be found. E.g., $T_{ITM} = 1\%$, $T_{SRM} = 20\%$, 0.15 rad detuning has improved sensitivity up to 1 kHz.

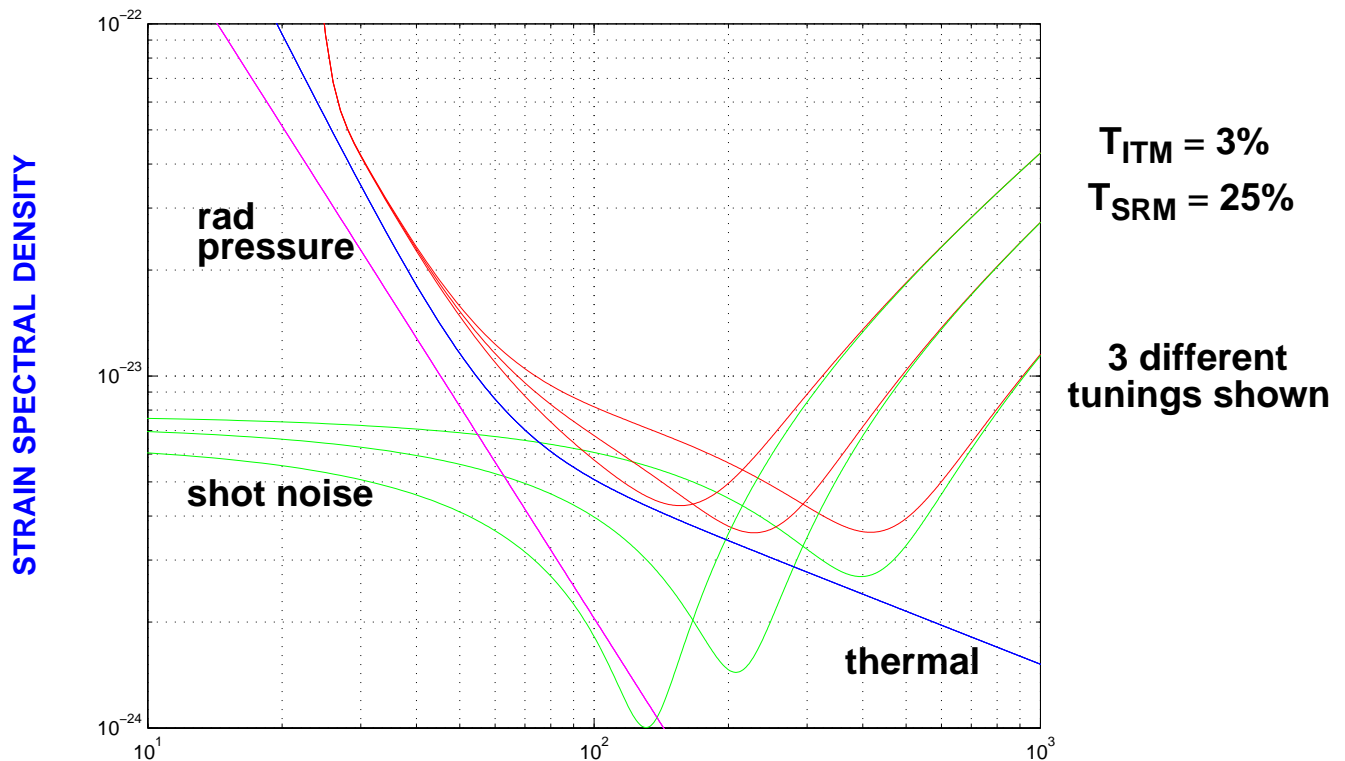
Signal Recycling Strategy

□ Early intersection with L&O

- Given the time & expense of new mirrors, the new input mirrors installed in the first upgrade should be compatible with later signal recycling
- ITM choice must give good non-signal recycled performance; looks to be possible with a T_{ITM} of 1–3 %

□ Given that we determine best T_{ITM} , how best to achieve science goals?

- One SRM: compromise design, with some weighting given to sensitivity loss for the various source types
- Multiple signal recycling mirrors



Technical status

❑ Table-top experiments underway

- ›› Caltech, J. Mason et al.
- ›› University of Florida, T. Delker, et al.
- ›› Australian National University, D. Shaddock et al.


❑ Suspended prototype test plan

- ›› First stage testing at Glasgow 10m prototype; starts with RSE, no power recycling (Glasgow group + U Fla)
- ›› Engineering test of chosen configuration at Caltech 40m prototype; follows an infrastructure upgrade of the system (A Weinstein et al.)

❑ Primary remaining technical challenges/work:

- ›› sensing scheme for the signal recycling mirror position
- ›› readout scheme for the gravitational-wave
- ›› evaluation of 'technical' sensing noise sources
- ›› continued evaluation of configurations

AIC Tasks, Coordinators, Groups

Task (Coordinator)	Active Groups
Dual Recycling/Resonant Sideband Extraction (K Strain) <i>exploration of techniques</i>	ACIGA/ANU: table-top ifo + 18m prototype LIGO/Caltech: table-top + 40m GEO: Glasgow 10m UFI: table-top; Glasgow 10m LIGO/MIT: output mode cleaner
Selection/Optimization (P Fritschel) <i>propose design for LIGO</i>	LIGO/MIT LIGO/Caltech UFI GEO  readout & control schemes
Sagnac Interferometers (M Fejer)	Stanford
Squeezing (D McClelland)	ACIGA/ANU
QND (Braginsky)	MSU, CaRT

AIC Timetable

Event	Description	Date
Top level requirements	establish science goals; sensitivity	Q2 1999
Grant applications	UF continued support; Glasgow prototype	Q3 1999
Conceptual design summit	choose configuration; sensing scheme design study; input from table-top tests	Q1 2000
Design review	establish prototype test plans; start of installation in Glasgow; table-top complete	Q3 2000
Performance review	Glasgow signal recycling tests; planning for 40m tests	Q3 2001
Prototype test & preliminary design review	completion of Glasgow tests; set ITM transmission; design of 40m experiment	Q4 2002
Engineering review	review of 40m experiment; design for LIGO II	Q2 2004
Final design review	completion of 40m tests; LIGO sensing/control design complete	Q1 2005