

## Panel Discussion

### Members:

Brian Lantz - chair (Stanford), Giles Hammond - co-chair (Glasgow),  
Jenne Driggers (LIGO Hanford), Stefan Hild (Maastrick), Kevin Kuns (MIT),  
Denis Martynov (Birmingham), Chris Wipf (Caltech),

Kevin - Current system thinking for CE Suspensions

~ 5 minutes each to present

- Challenges for CE
- How to meet those challenges/ interesting ongoing work
- Impact on current facilities

~ 5 minutes of discussion

Giles - Large suspensions and optics

Brian - Control noise/ SPI

Den - Control noise/ 6-D isolator. Room temperature 1550 nm design

Chris - Cryogenics for Voyager, Mariner Prototype

Stefan - Cryogenics & the ET prototype at Maastricht

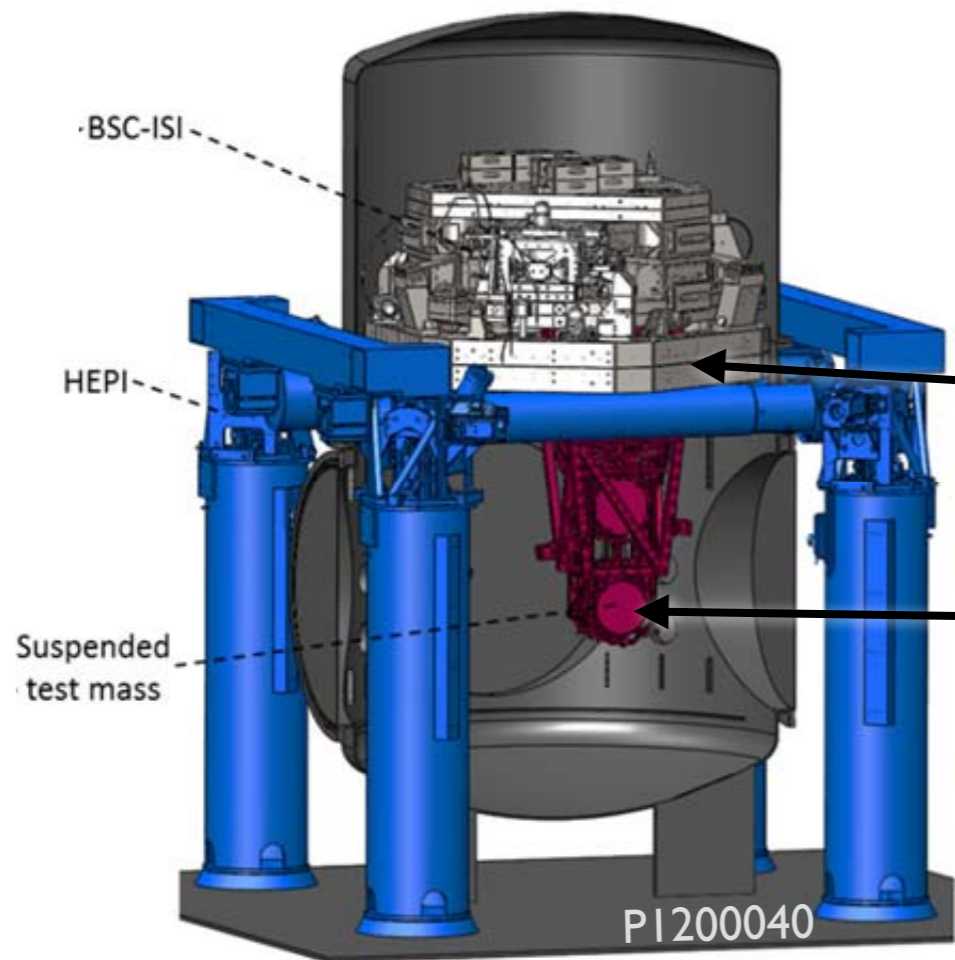
# Isolation & Control

Seismic Platform Interferometers (SPI) as part of better system integration of Seismic and Suspensions

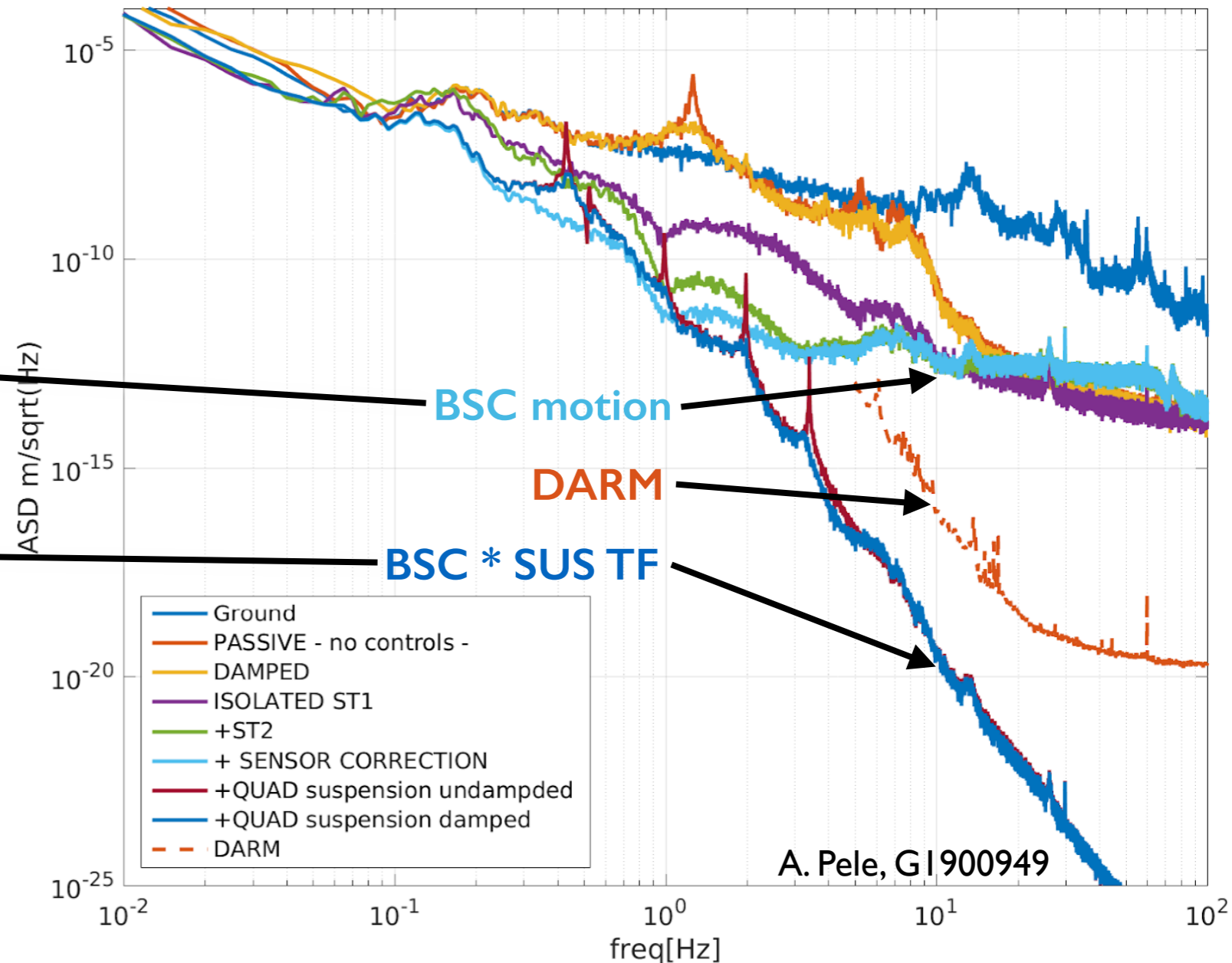
- 1) Improve detector stability  
(large ground motion results in glitches and lock-loss)
- 2) Lower DARM noise (see G2001539)

Driven by desire to improve current detectors, clear implications for 3G

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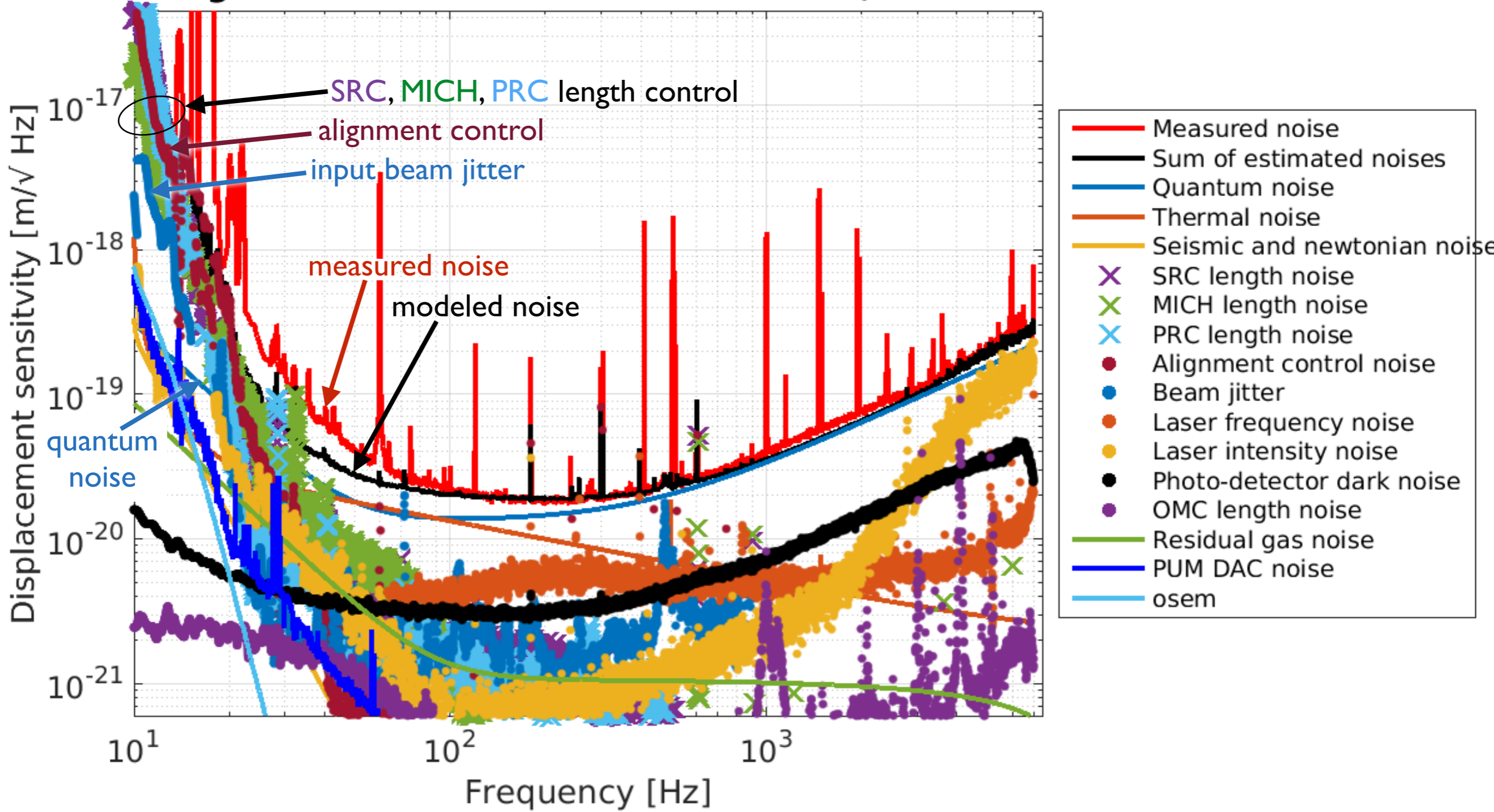
\* via direct, linear coupling

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# Control noise dominates the 'known' noise below 50 Hz

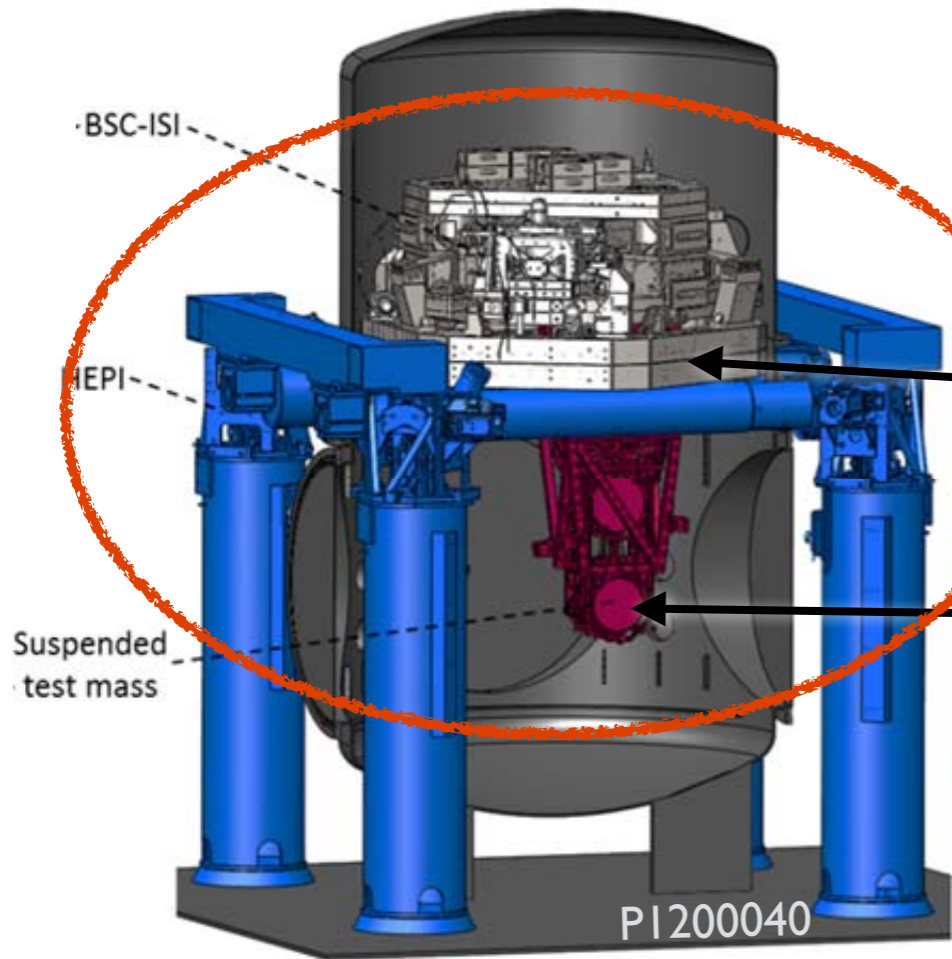
LHO O3 noise budget, S. Dwyer LHO [log 55755](https://log.ligo.org/55755)

Noise budget for GPS start time: 1268679618, duration: 600s

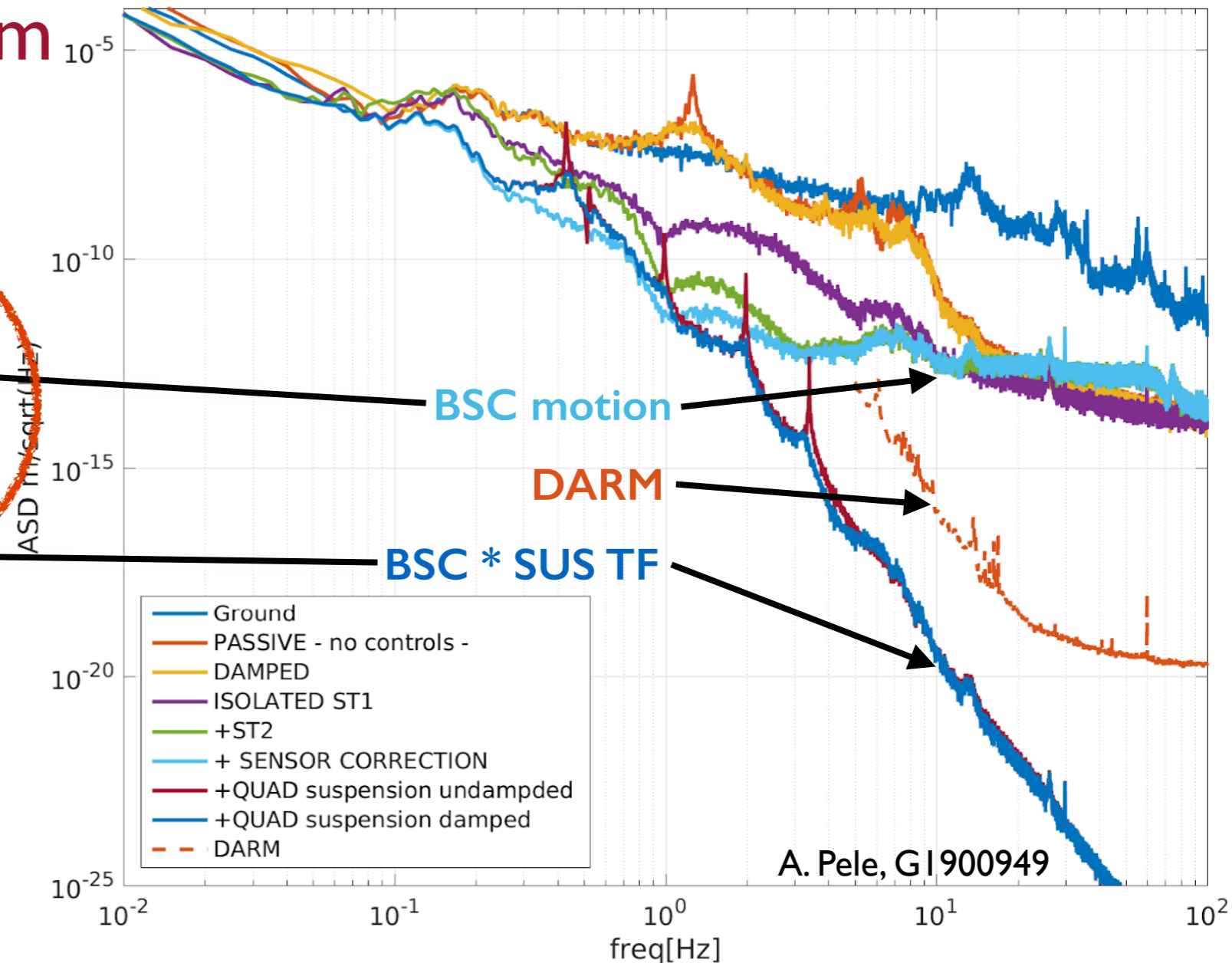


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Recent successes from system control include

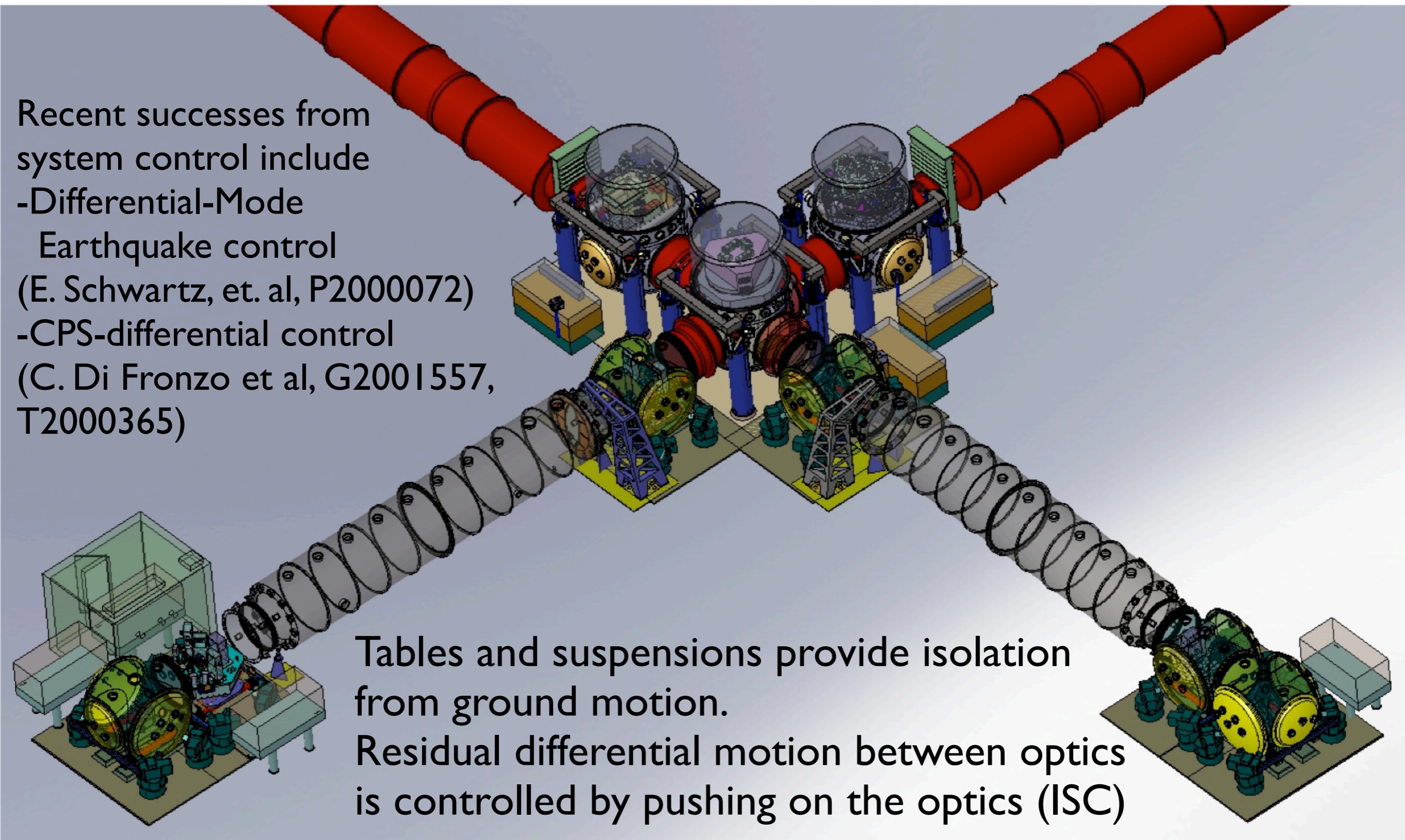
- Differential-Mode

  - Earthquake control

  - (E. Schwartz, et. al, P2000072)

- CPS-differential control

  - (C. Di Fronzo et al, G2001557, T2000365)



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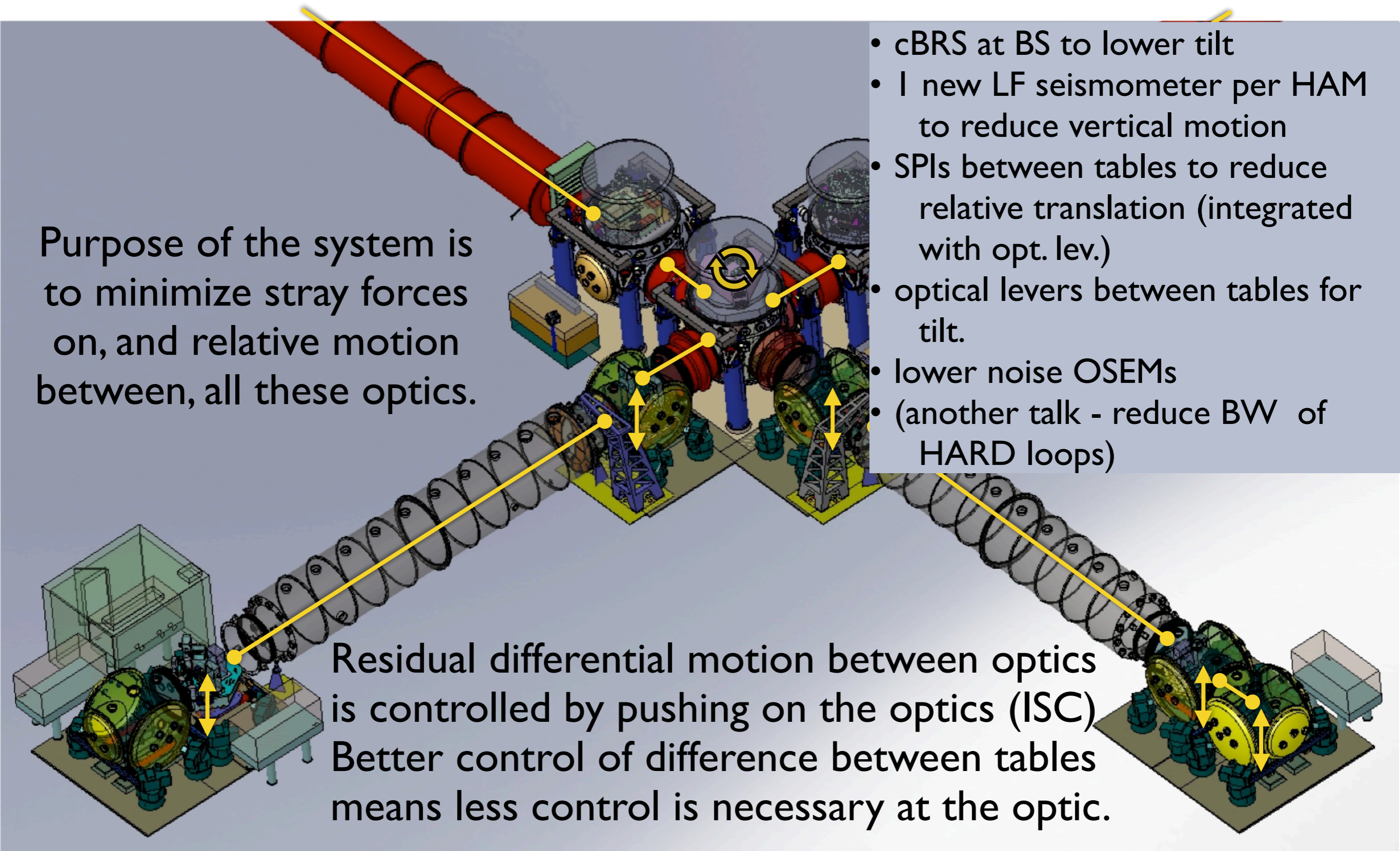
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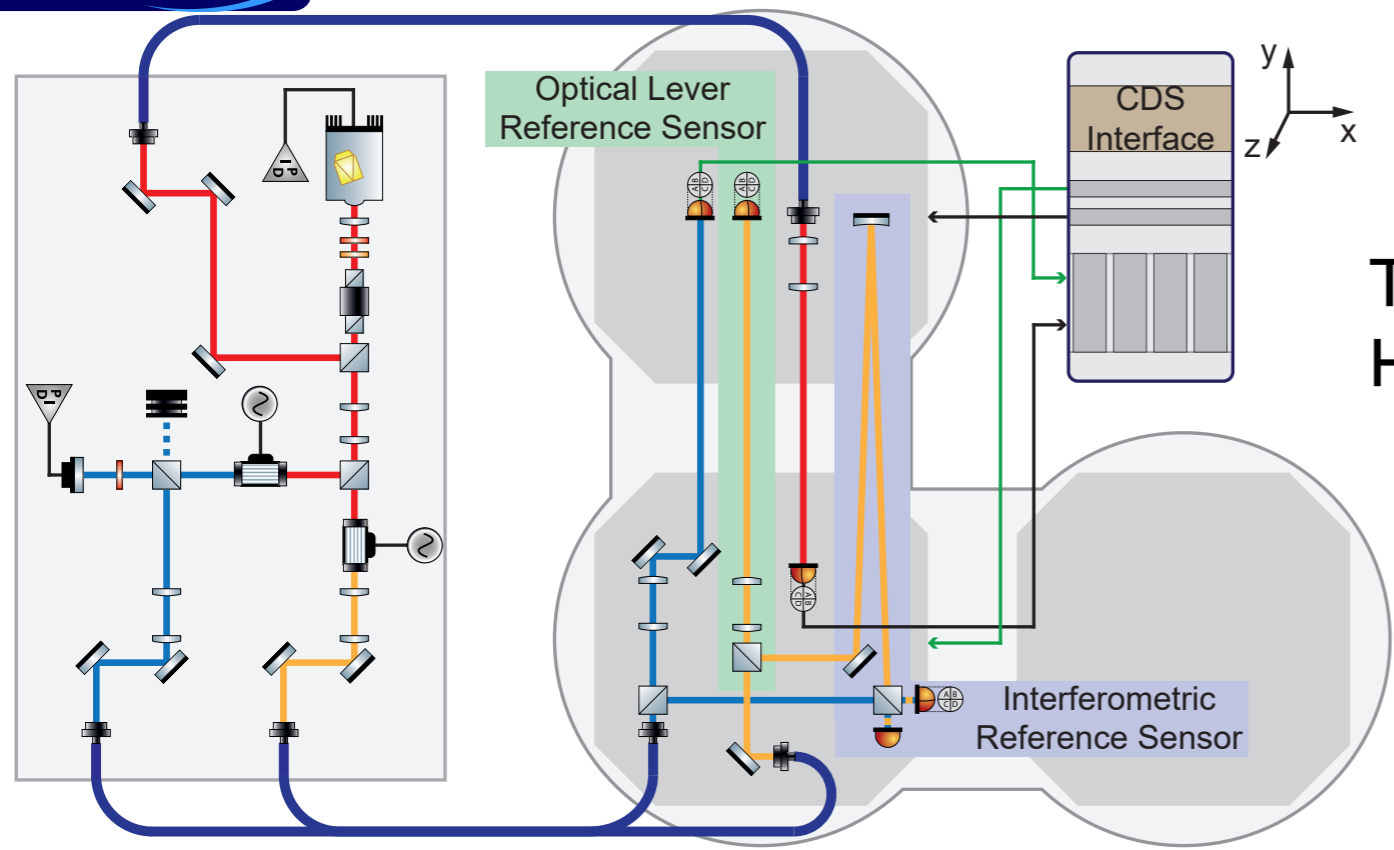
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- cBRS at BS to lower tilt
- 1 new LF seismometer per HAM to reduce vertical motion
- SPIs between tables to reduce relative translation (integrated with opt. lev.)
- optical levers between tables for tilt.
- lower noise OSEMs
- (another talk - reduce BW of HARD loops)

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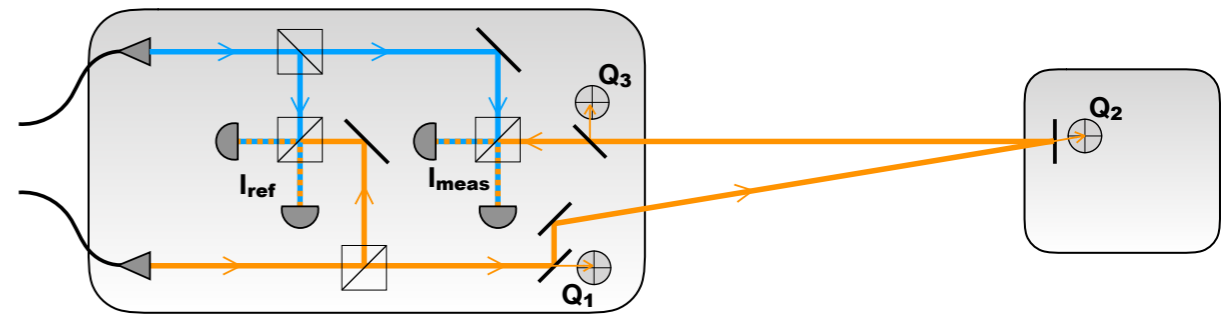






# Seismic Platform Interferometer

Thesis work by Sina Köhlenbeck et. al at AEI  
Heterodyne IFO and optical levers



simplified schematic to measure  
2 pitch, 2 yaw, and 1 length DOF

Figure 4.1: Schematic overview of the optical lever positions and the reference sensors. These

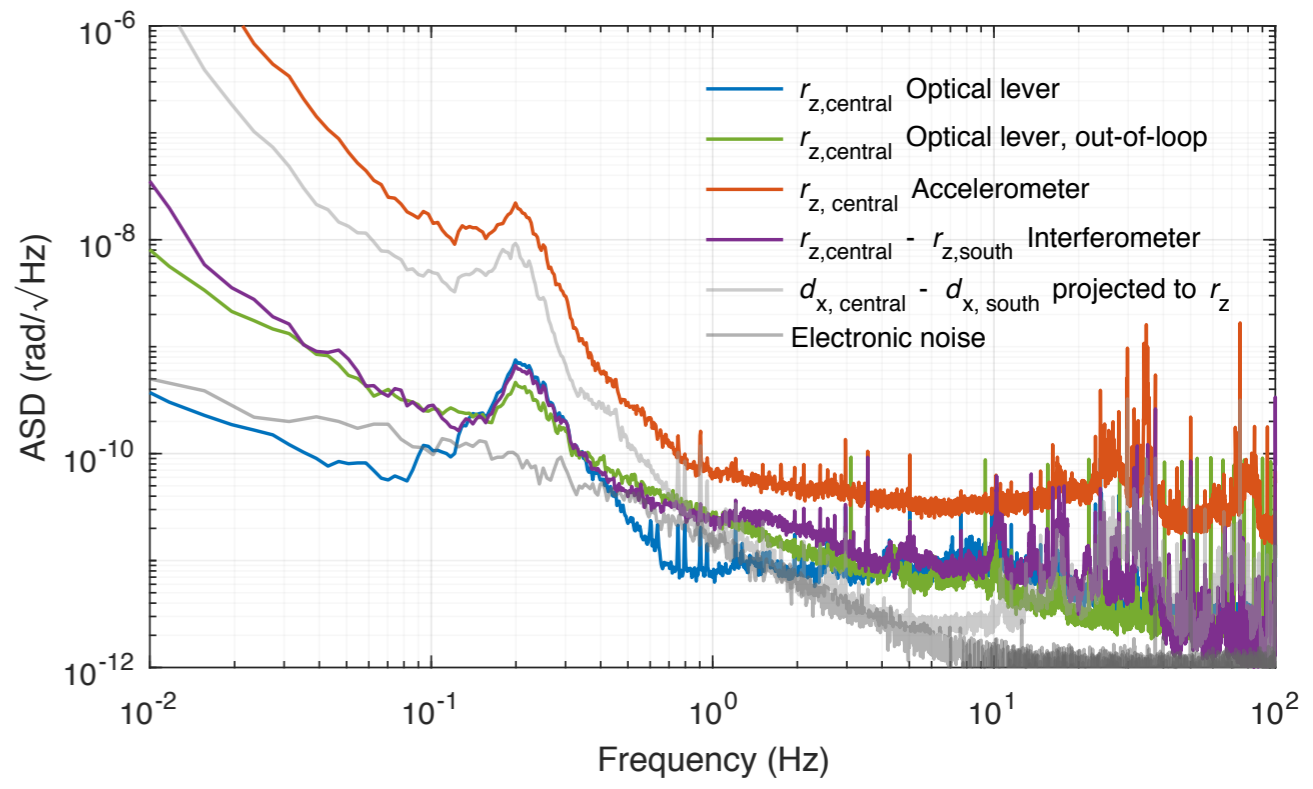
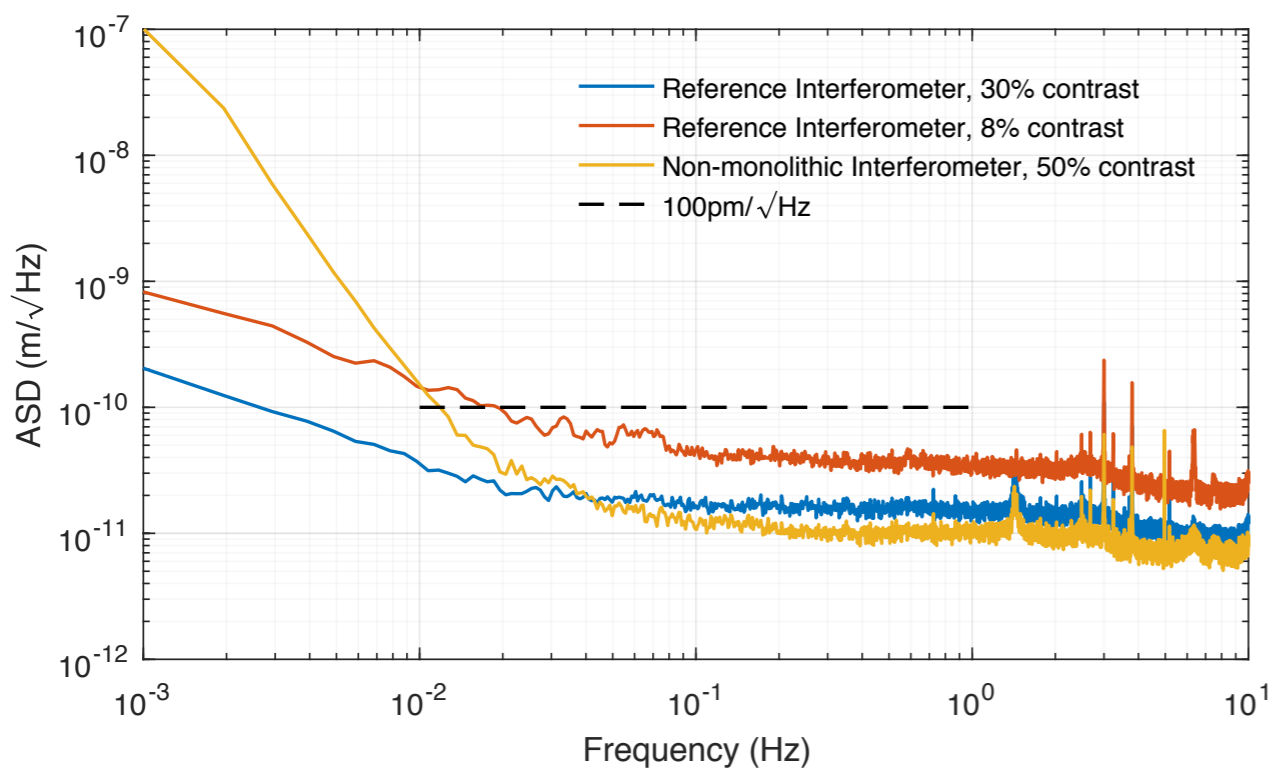


Figure 2.7: Displacement ASD of the two reference interferometers and the non-monolithic test

Figure 4.6: Angular displacement ASD of  $r_z$  of the central table. In blue, the measurement o

# SPI/ system modeling

## I) G2001539

SPI - HAM4-5 rms from ~ a micron?  
to 600 nm with SPI angle sensors,  
to 10 nm with SPI length sensing,  
SRCL BW from 12 Hz now to 5 Hz.  
limit is the 3 Hz mode SR2

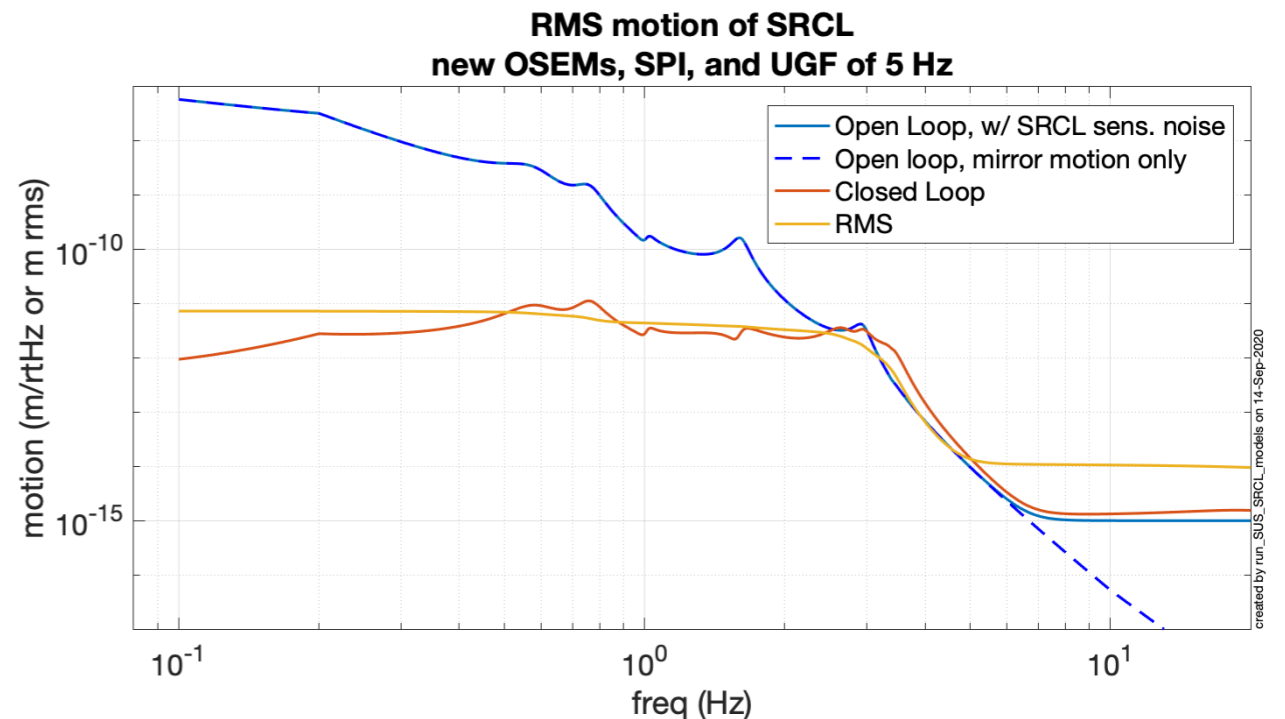
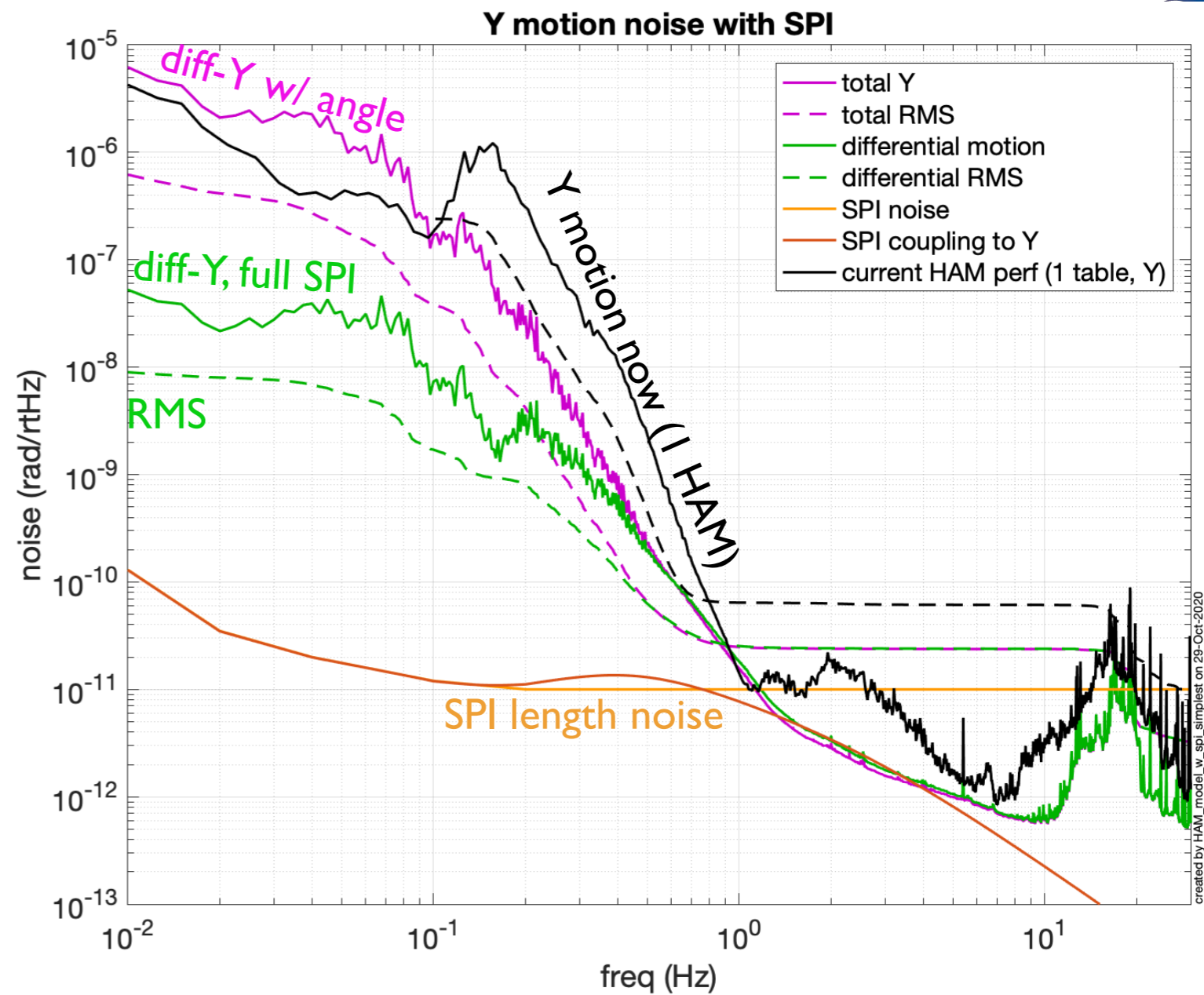
# SPI model for HAM 4-5

Model for the HAM-ISI shows new angle sensing improves absolute motion of each HAM-ISI.

Length sensing from the SPI improves the relative motion below  $\sim 0.6$  Hz

Relative ISI motion drops from several hundred nanometers to  $\sim 10$  nanometers

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created by HAM\_model\_w\_spi\_simpliest on 29-Oct-2020

created by run\_SUS\_SRCL\_models on 14-Sep-2020

Observations on the aLIGO suspensions:

- Excellent isolation and thermal noise,
- Lower noise OSEMs are needed, but expensive, and bulky, not a trivial upgrade.
- Can 3G designs maintain isolation and thermal noise, but improve lower the cross-couplings to tilt and yaw?  
(tune masses, moments of inertia, attachment points, etc?)
- Can we get better damping of the modal damping and lower the cross-couplings?  
(additional sensors, modal damping, ...)

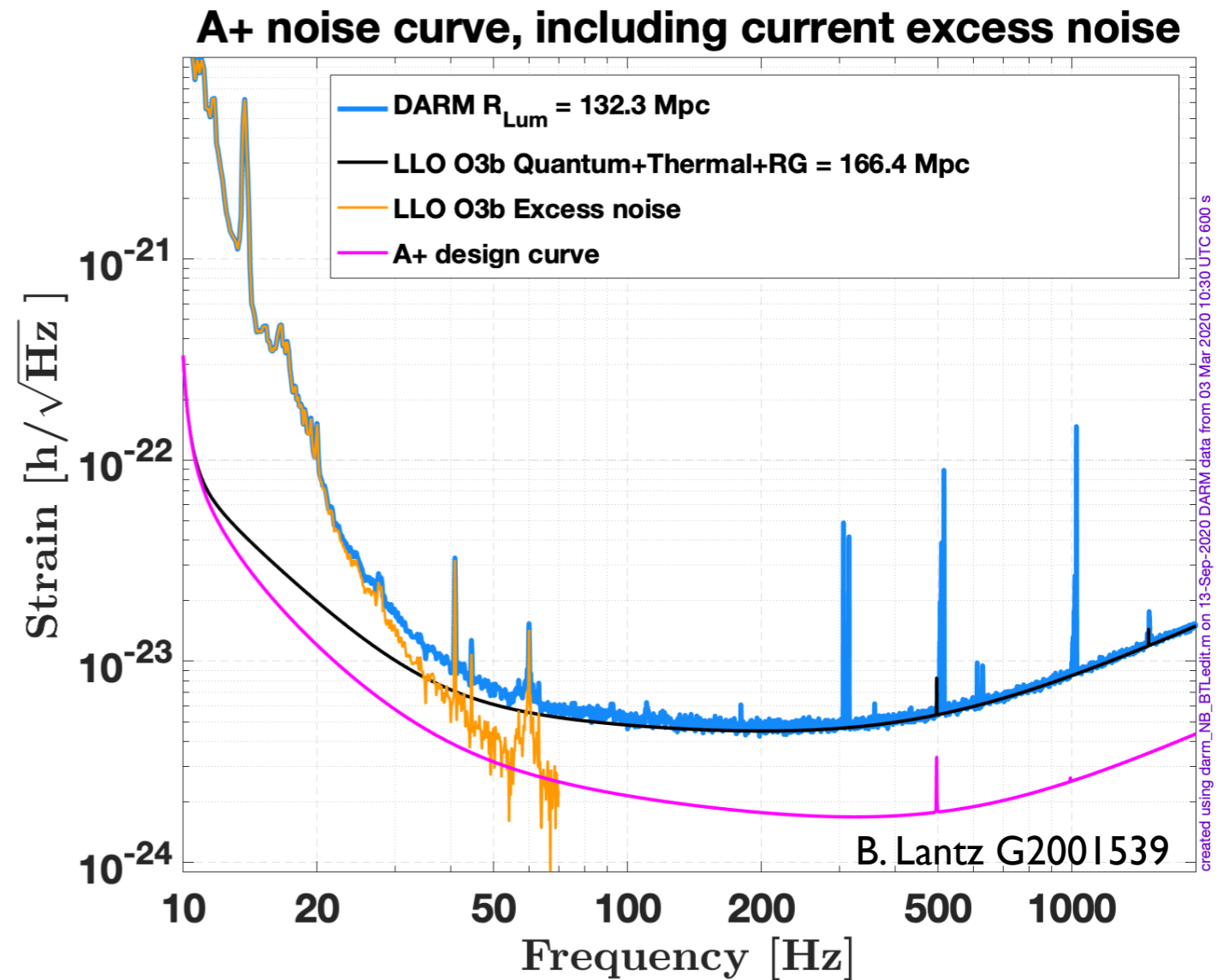
# Final thoughts

Excess noise is now  
(and has always been) limiting our performance at low frequency.

aLIGO has a remarkably good understanding of the origins of this noise, and the noise budgets provide a map of where we need to be working.

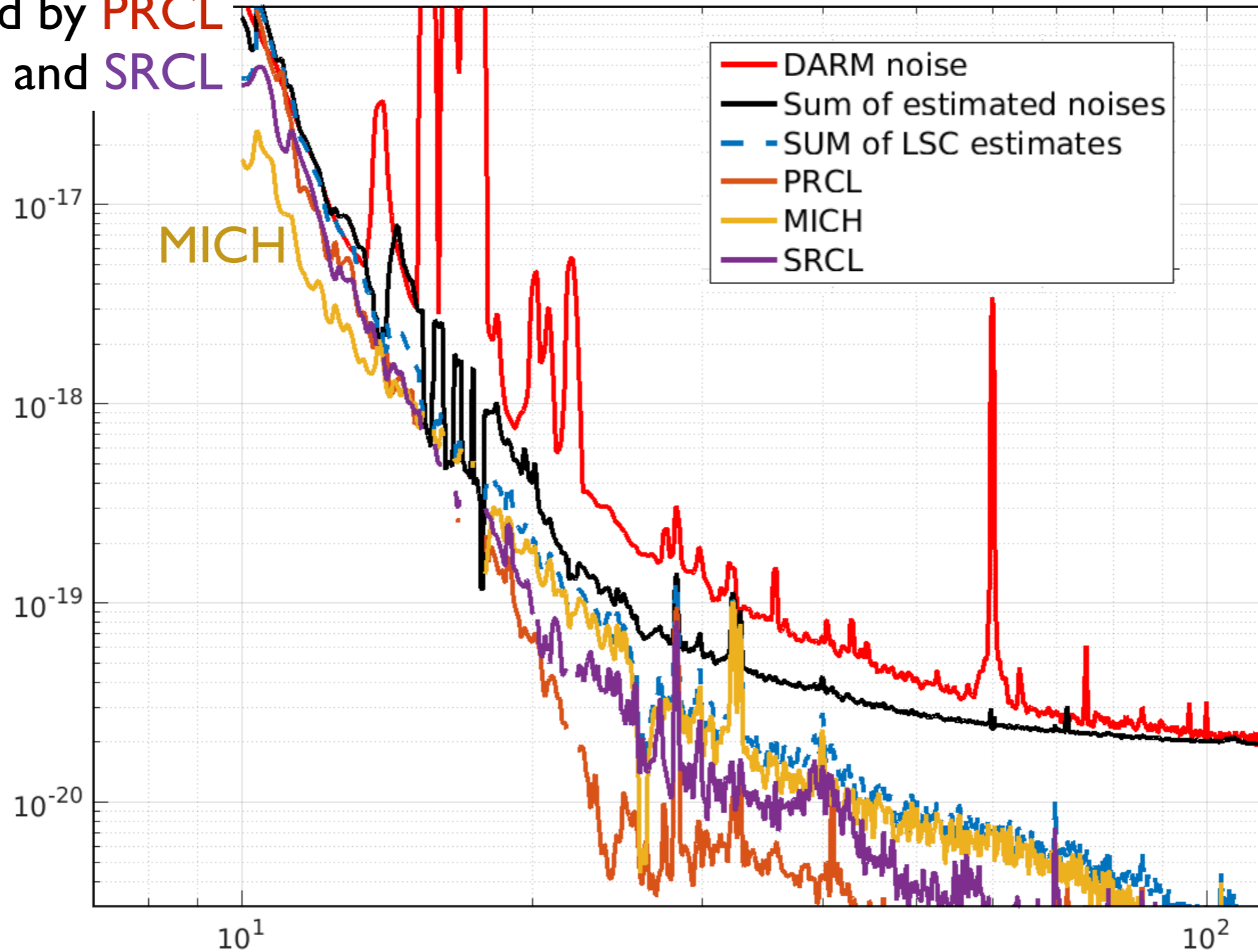
Upgrades to the the isolation and suspension systems can reduce the stress on the IFO controls, and (probably) improve DARM.

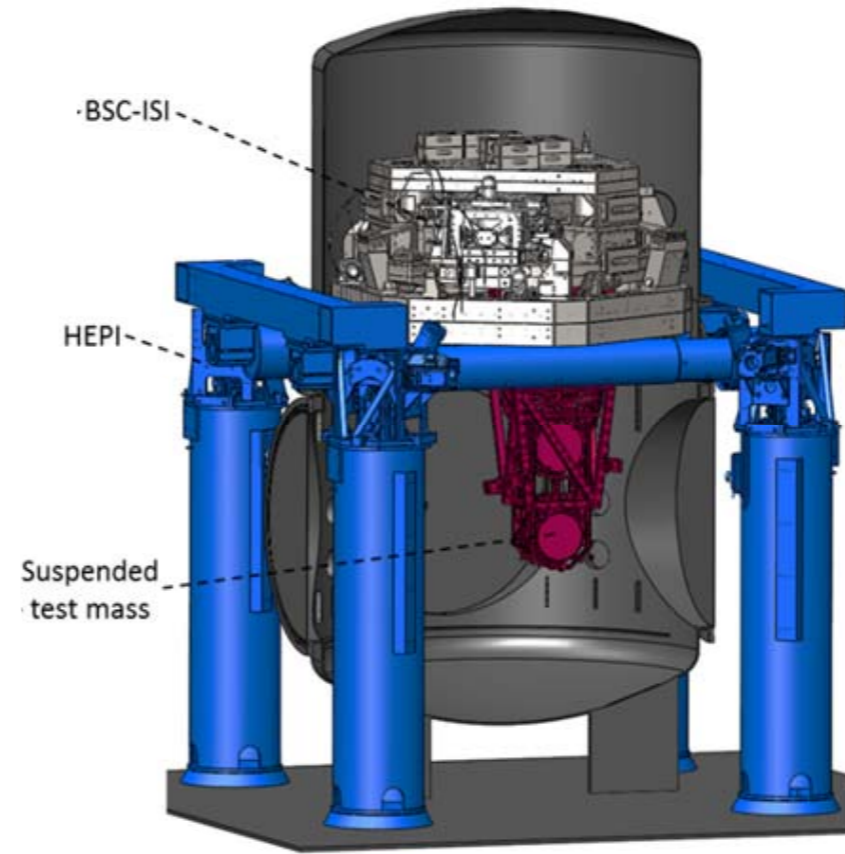
This type of system-level thinking about the isolation systems is going to be essential to achieve quantum noise at low frequency.



## LSC noise contributions to DARM

dominated by PRCL  
and SRCL





# Outline

Seismic noise is not a *Direct* limit for DARM anywhere above 10 Hz, so why should we try to improve the Isolation System?

Stable operation with low noise.

Better Seismic Isolation system could:

- Improve the science by improving the interferometers' up-time
- Improve the science by improving the stability of the interferometers
- Improve the science by reducing noise in DARM.

Today:

- Improve the tilt sensing of the platforms (better absolute motion)
- Integrate the seismic tables with direct platform-to-platform sensors  
Seismic Platform Interferometers (SPIs) to  
dramatically reduce the relative motion of the tables ( $\sim 10$  nm RMS)
- Reduce the motion of the optics below 10 Hz
- Reduce the noise (bandwidth) of the controls on the mirrors.

Work through 1 example (SRCL) to show what's going on.

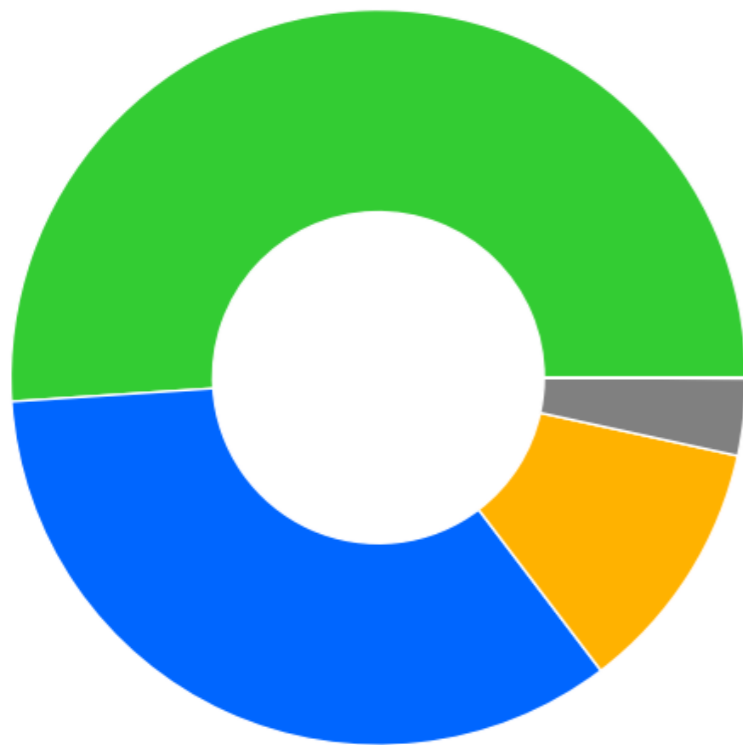
Implement system-wide for “beyond A+”



# Duty cycle

Good source location wants 3 detectors running, but now this is only true about 1/2 of the time.

It's getting better - but we're a long way from "breaker-to-breaker"



Network duty factor

[1256655618-1269363618]

- Triple interferometer [51.0%]
- Double interferometer [34.3%]
- Single interferometer [11.2%]
- No interferometer [3.4%]

Obs. Time	O3a	O3b
Triple	44.5%	51.0%
LHO	71.2%	78.8%
LLO	75.8%	78.6%
Virgo	76.3%	75.6%

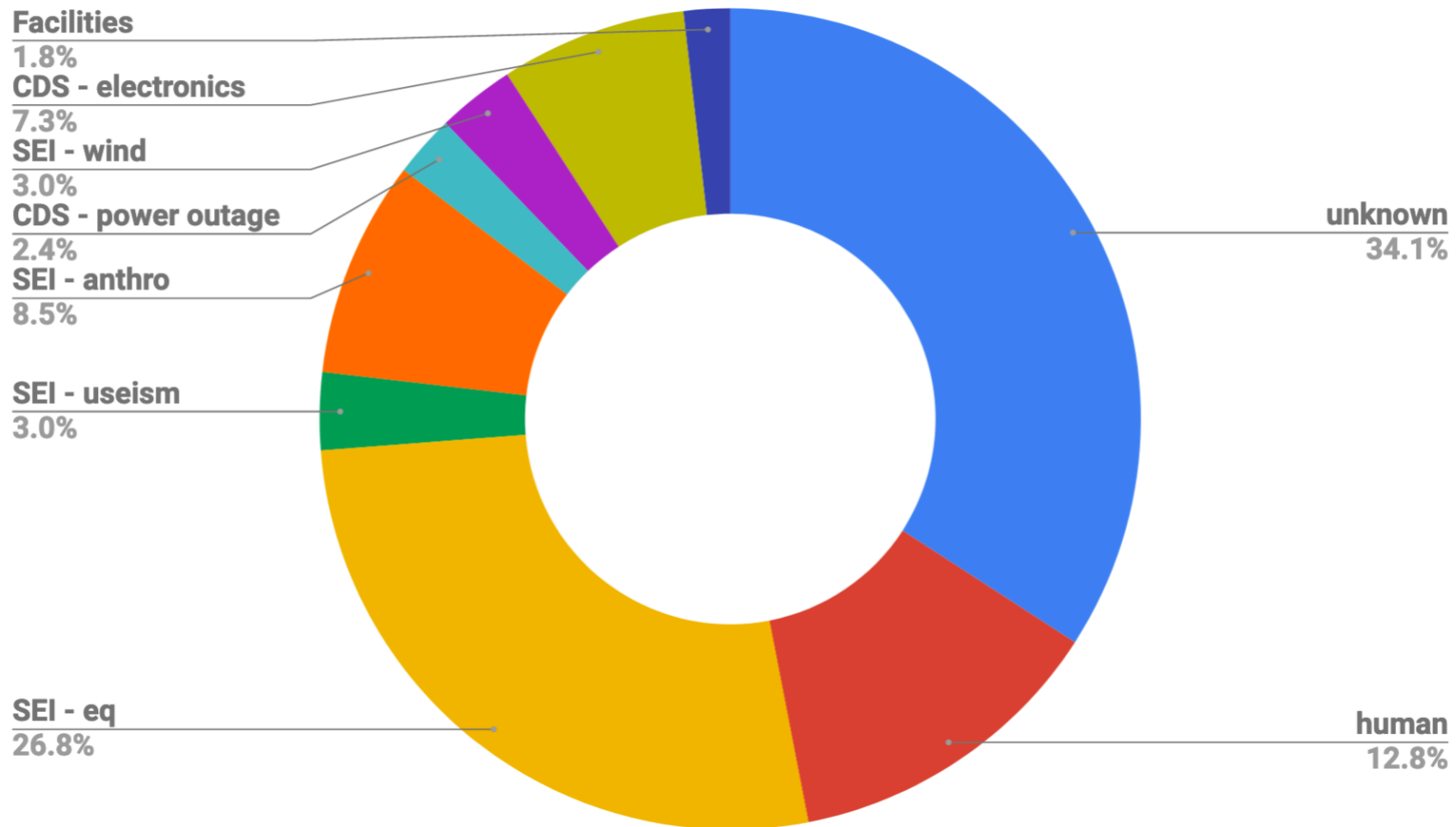
<https://ldas-jobs.ligo.caltech.edu/~detchar/summary/O3a/>

# Duty cycle

Unusually large seismic activity is the largest source of “known” lock-losses (LLO data).

Large motions range across the low frequency bands (wind, EQs typically < 100 mHz, microseism is ~150 - 300 mHz, anthropogenic is a few hertz.)

Count of classification



## The Compact BRS

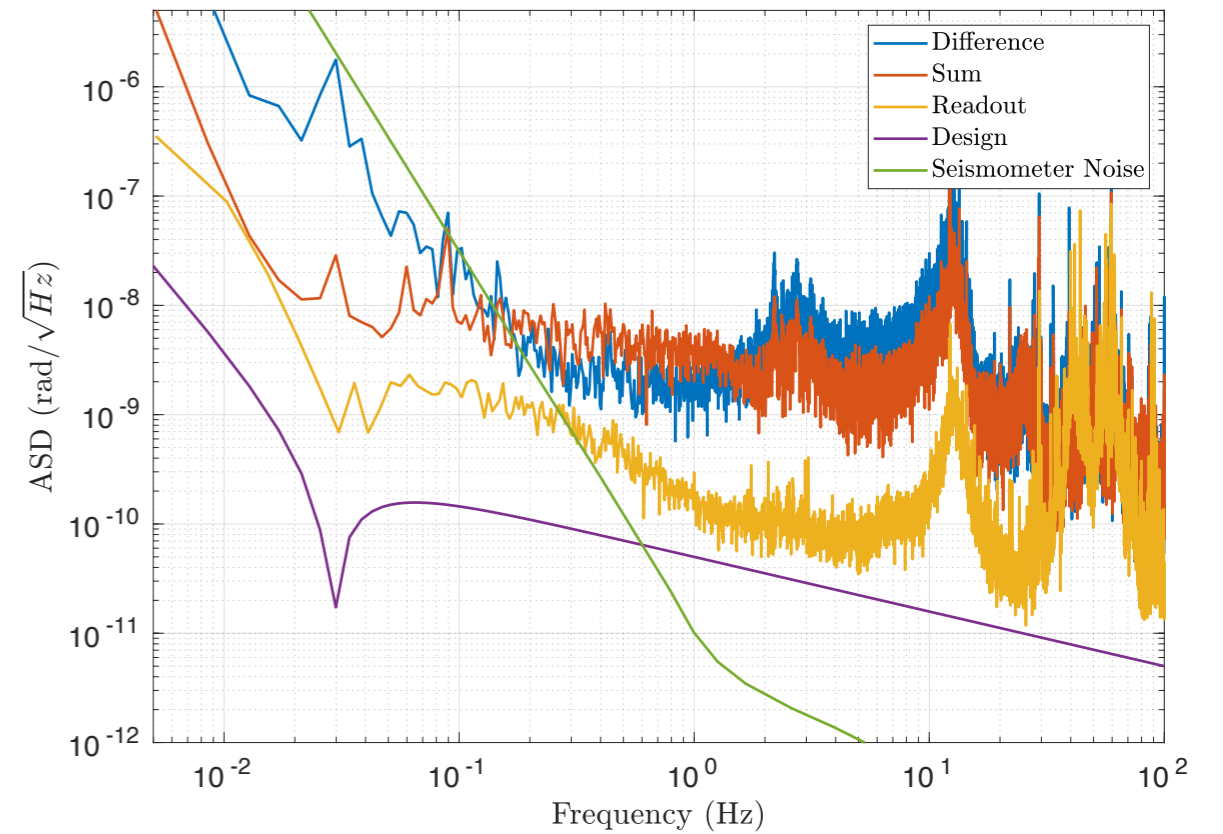
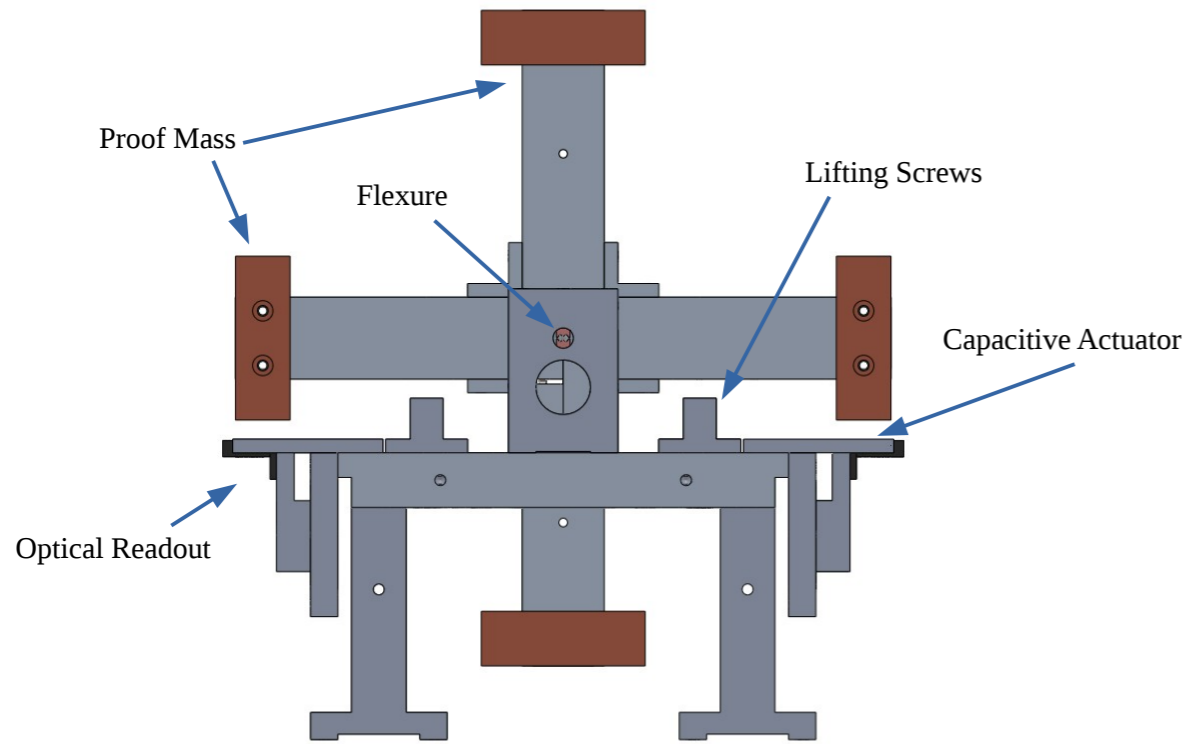


Figure 3.4: CAD rendering of the compact BRS (cBRS) showing the cross with its copper end masses which is hung from the flexures from the surrounding support structure. The translation stages which hold the fiber interferometer readouts can be seen on either end of the support below the two horizontal end masses.

Figure 3.11: Prototype cBRS noise performance showing the sum and difference of the two readouts. Additionally shown are the readout noise measured while the beam balance was mechanically locked, the design sensitivity, and the sensitivity of the current Stage 2 rotational sensors.

The performance of the ASC system was modeled for the seismic performance with the cBRS installed, Figure 3.19, and without, Figure 3.1. In both situations, the high frequency performance is limited by sensor noise which leaks into the gravitational wave band. The primary retuning that can be made with the inclusion of the cBRS is a decrease in the ASC UGF from 5.23 Hz to 2.93 Hz. Above this the residual falls off as  $1/f^5$ .

Figure 3.20 compares the modeled residual for a system with and without the cBRS. As expected, adding the cBRS reduces the residual between  $\sim 50$ -500 mHz due to the increased performance of the seismic isolation system. This allows a shift in the UGF to lower frequencies which reduces the residual above  $\sim 5$  Hz.

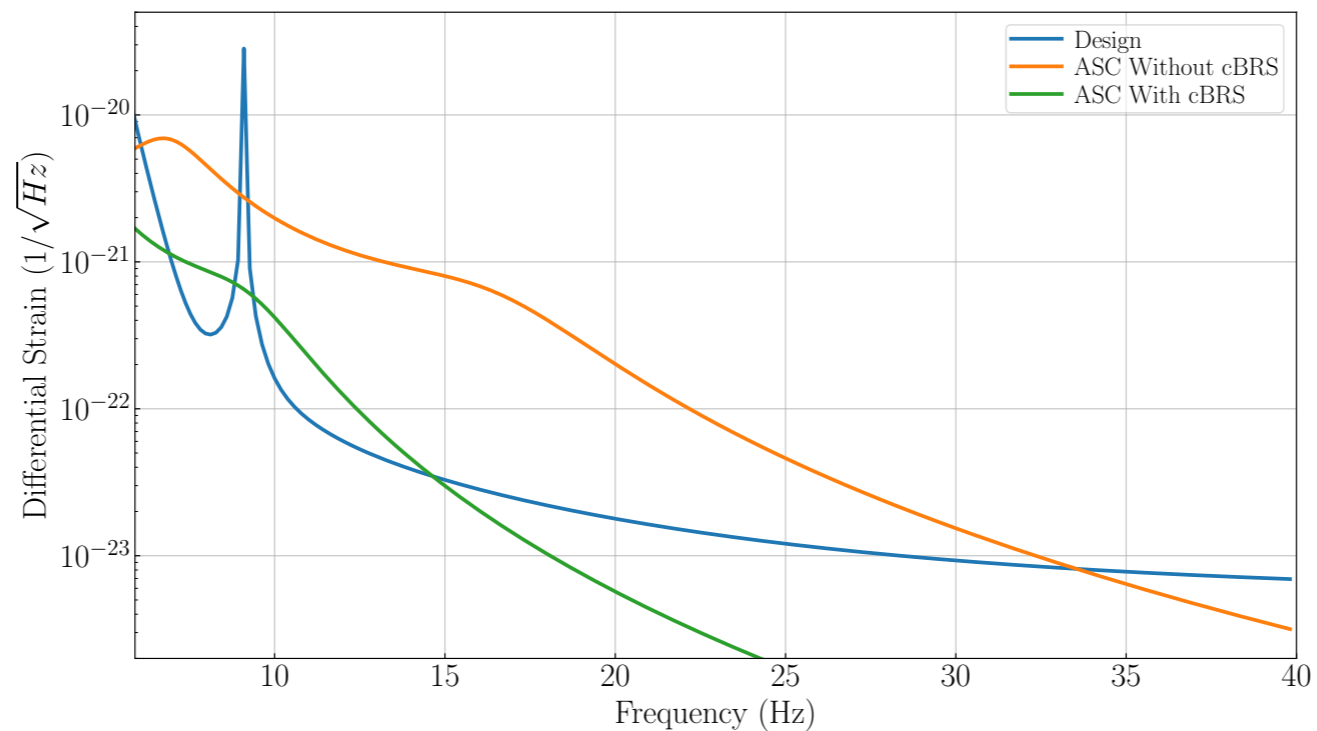
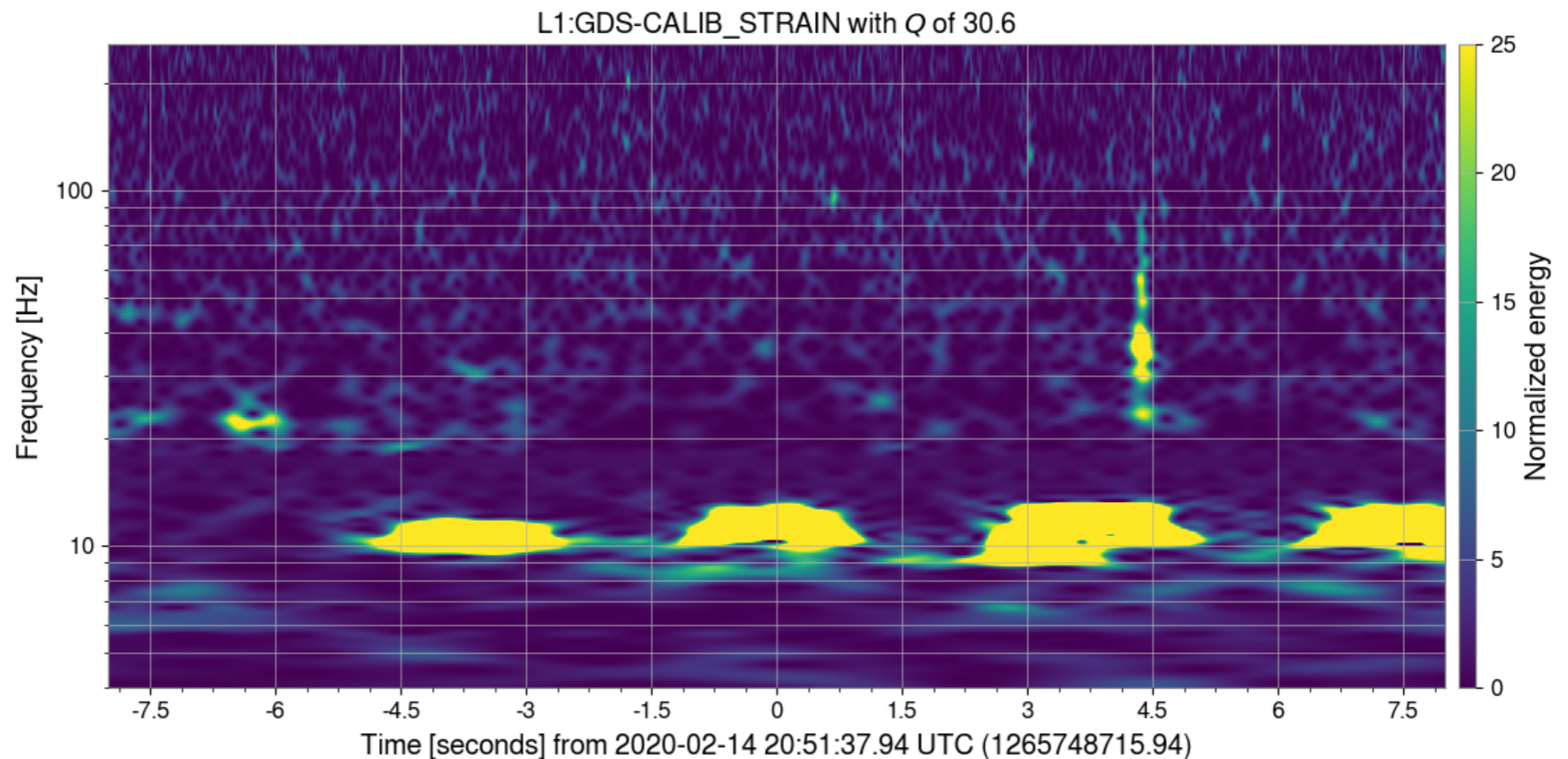


Figure 3.21: Projected low frequency strain noise with and without the cBRS along with aLIGO design sensitivity. [16]

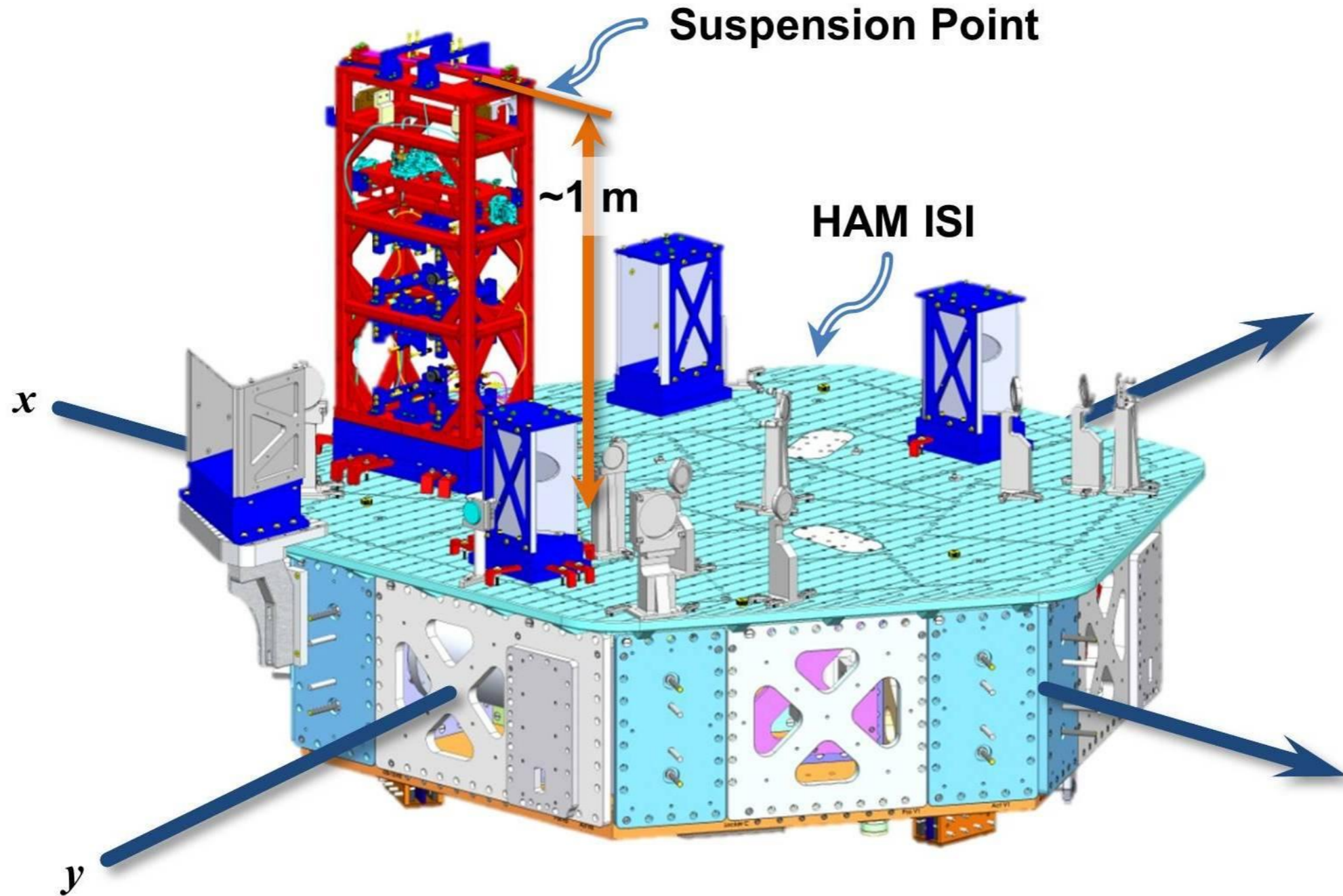
# Relative motion between optics causes glitches

Scattering arches from relative motion between ETM and the transmon telescope (not fixed by R0 tracking)

(11 March, 2020, Corey, Anamaria, Gaby, Sidd)



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# Excess noise and DARM

LLO has best range now.

Excess noise reduces detection volume by  $(132.5/166.4)^3 = 0.505$

**LLO noise budget, 03 March 2020**  
 adapted from LLO log 51967

