

Seismic Noise and Seismic Isolation

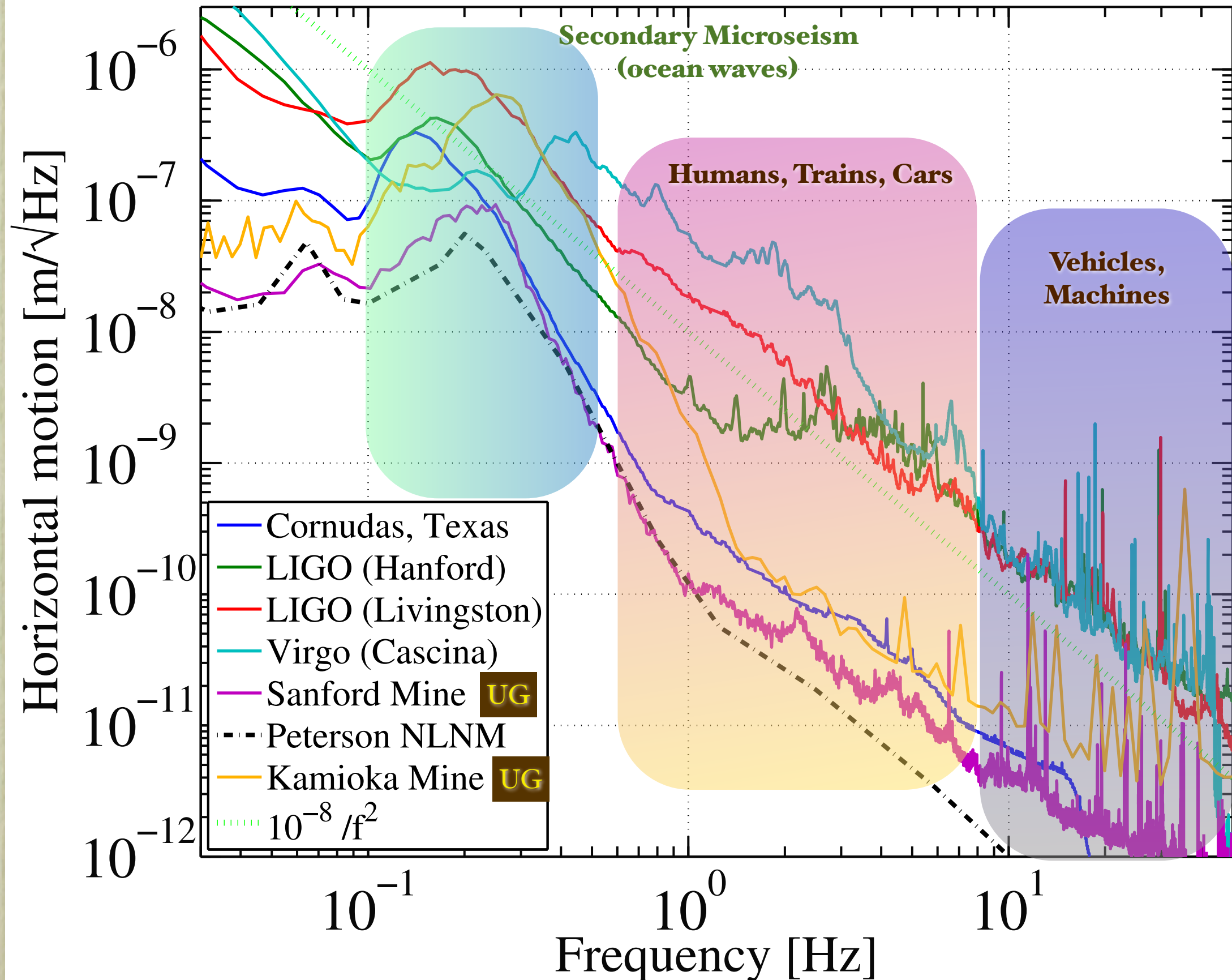


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Outline

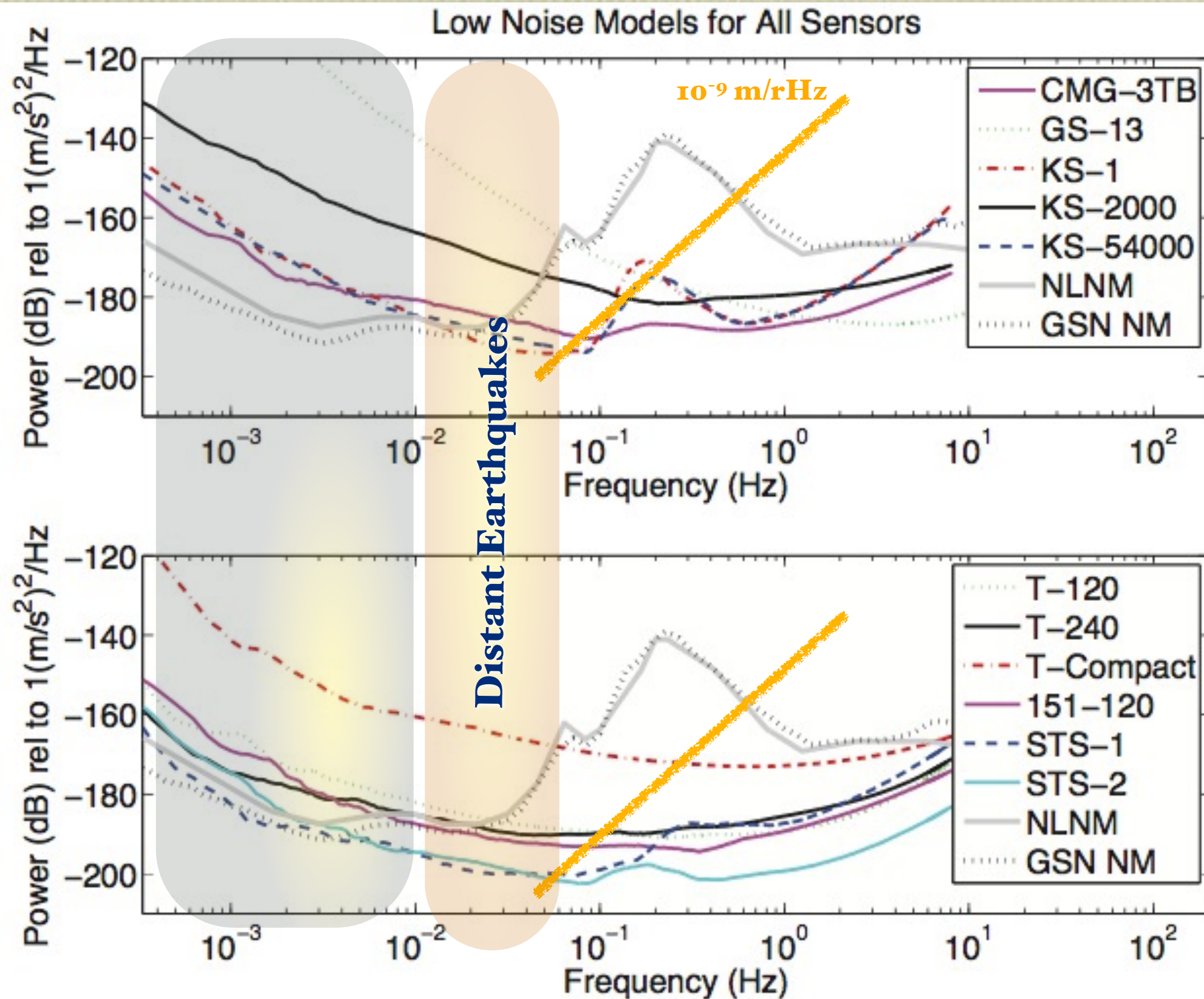
- Seismic Noise: What it is.
- Seismic Sensors: What is their problem?
- Seismic Isolation: Passive (Peter) and Active (via feedback and feedforward)

Seismic Noise

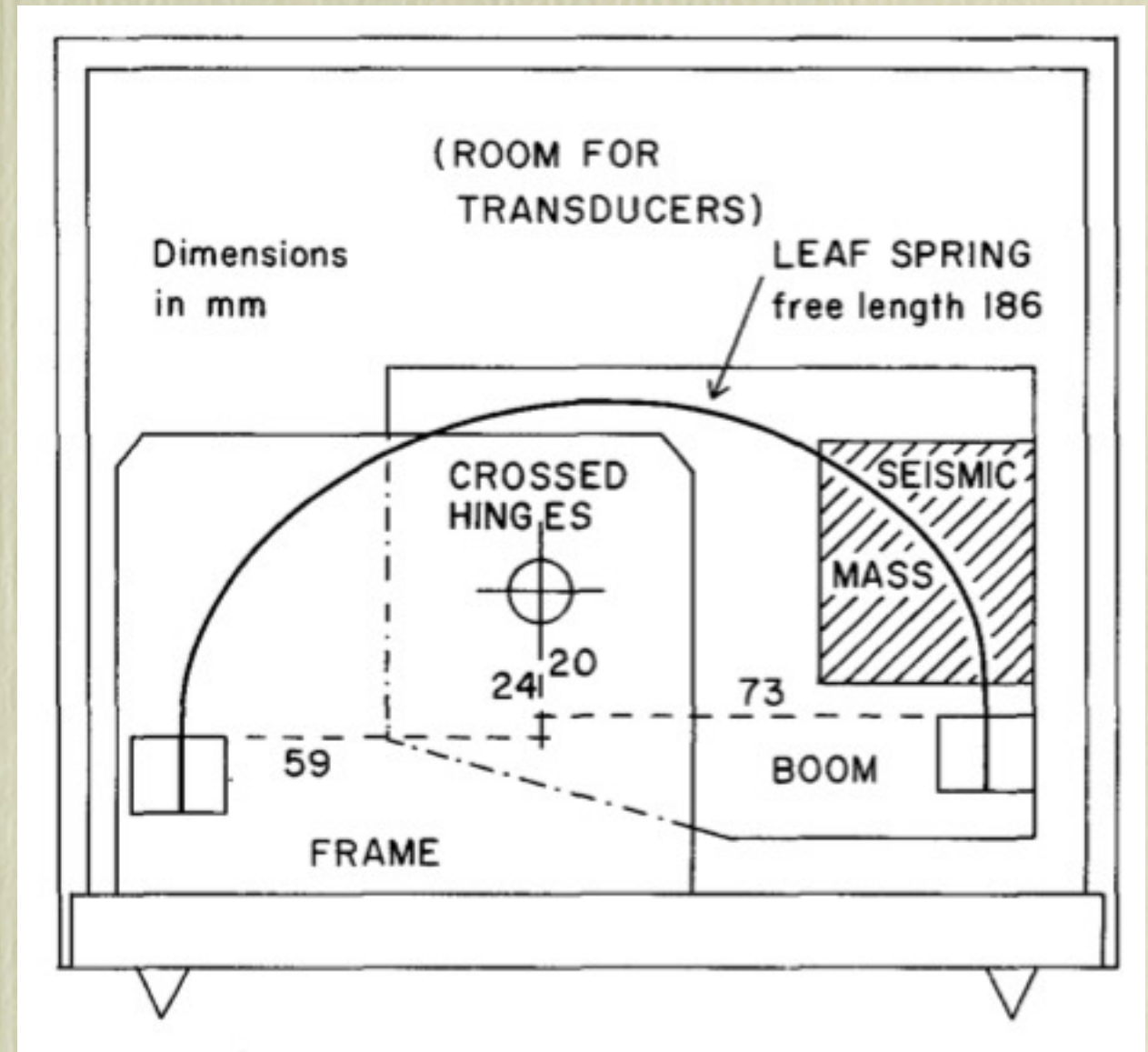
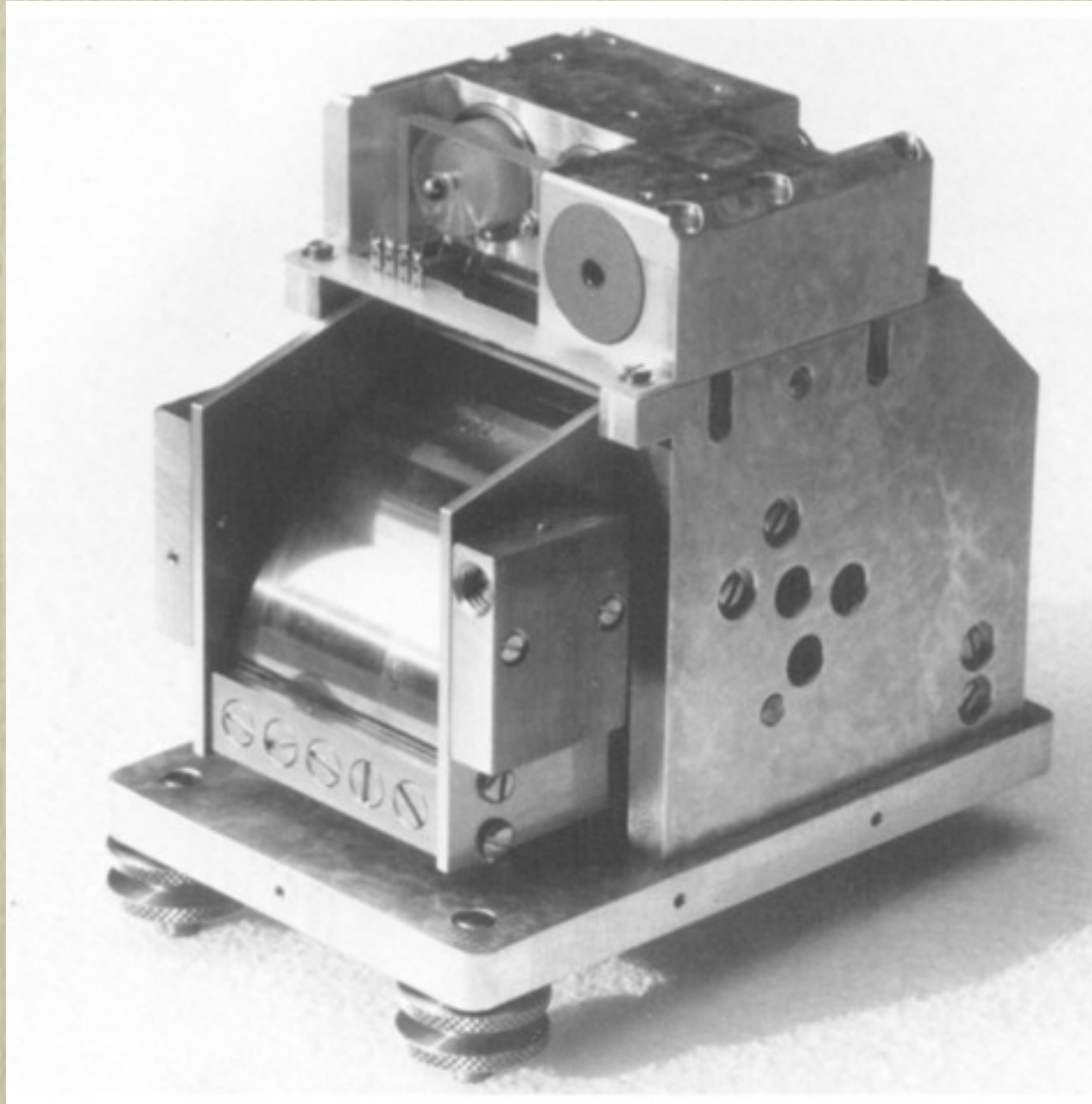


Seismic Sensors

Acceleration Noise PSD



Seismometers



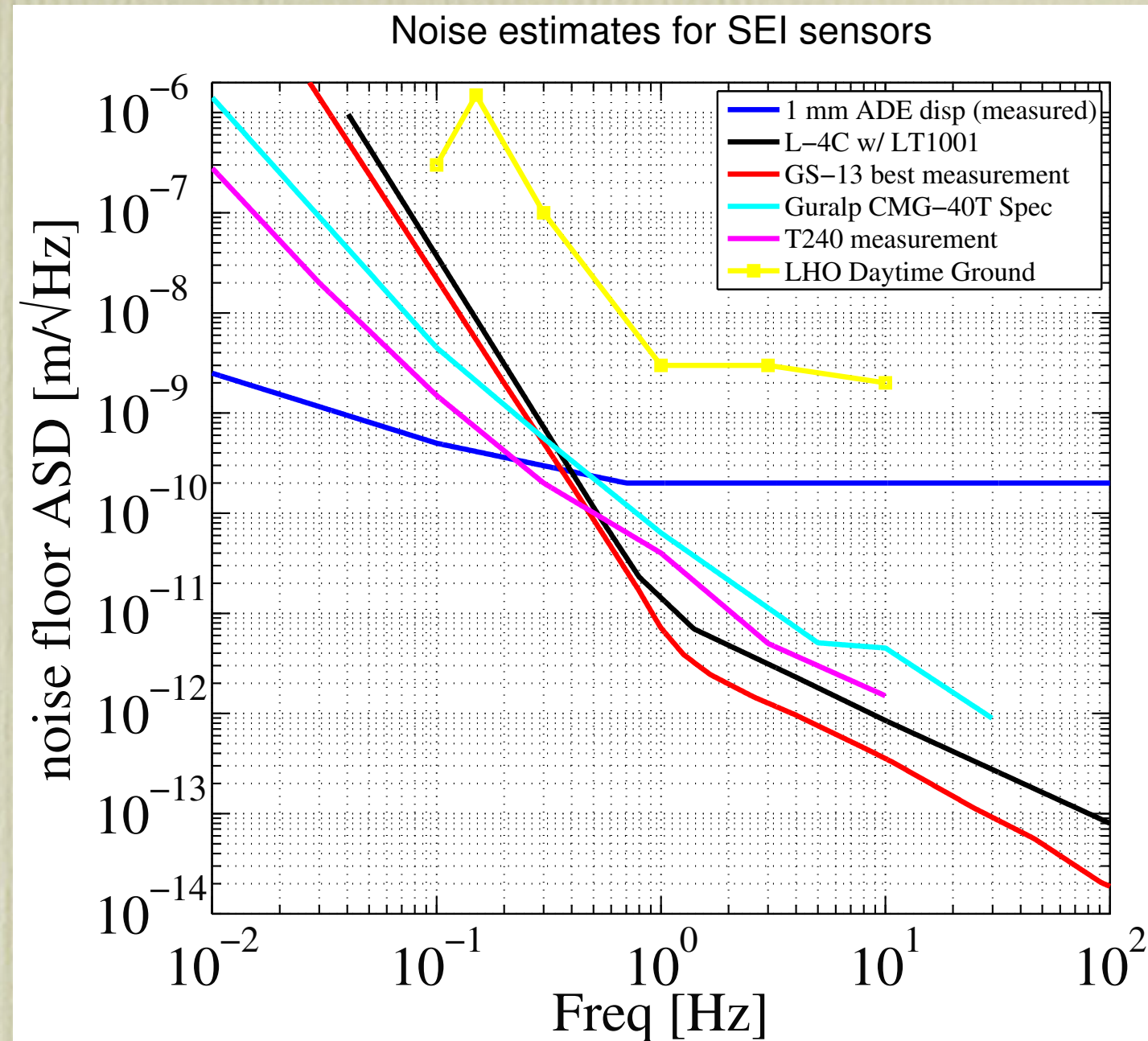
Wielandt & Streckeisen (1982)

Seismometers

- For Low Frequencies: STS-2, T-240, STS-1, etc.
(force feedback, triaxial, capacitive displacement sensors, \$20k) or Lacoste-Romberg Gravimeters
("zero-length" springs, \$100k)
- for 0.3-10 Hz, can use "geophones": no force feedback, velocity readout (magnet / coil), e.g. GS-13 (\$14k), L-4C (\$1k), ...
- For $f > 3$ Hz, accelerometers: ~0.1-1 kg with piezo strain sensor and charge amplifier (\$100 - \$1500)

Sensitivity Limits

- **Thermal Noise:** (cf. lecture by Peter Saulson, [2], Saulson, PRD (1990), Gonzalez and Saulson (1994, 1995)), losses from spring and from gas damping.
- **Electronics noise of readout** (Johnson noise of readout coil, readout preamp, voltage noise of capacitive bridge preamp)
- **Dirty effects:** pressure noise in the seismometer case, thermal gradients of the mounts, magnetic field couples to flexures, mechanical downconversion of acoustics due to hysteresis in the metal, etc.



[1] M. J. Usher, C. Guralp, and R. F. Burch, *Geophys J Int* **55**, 605 (1978).

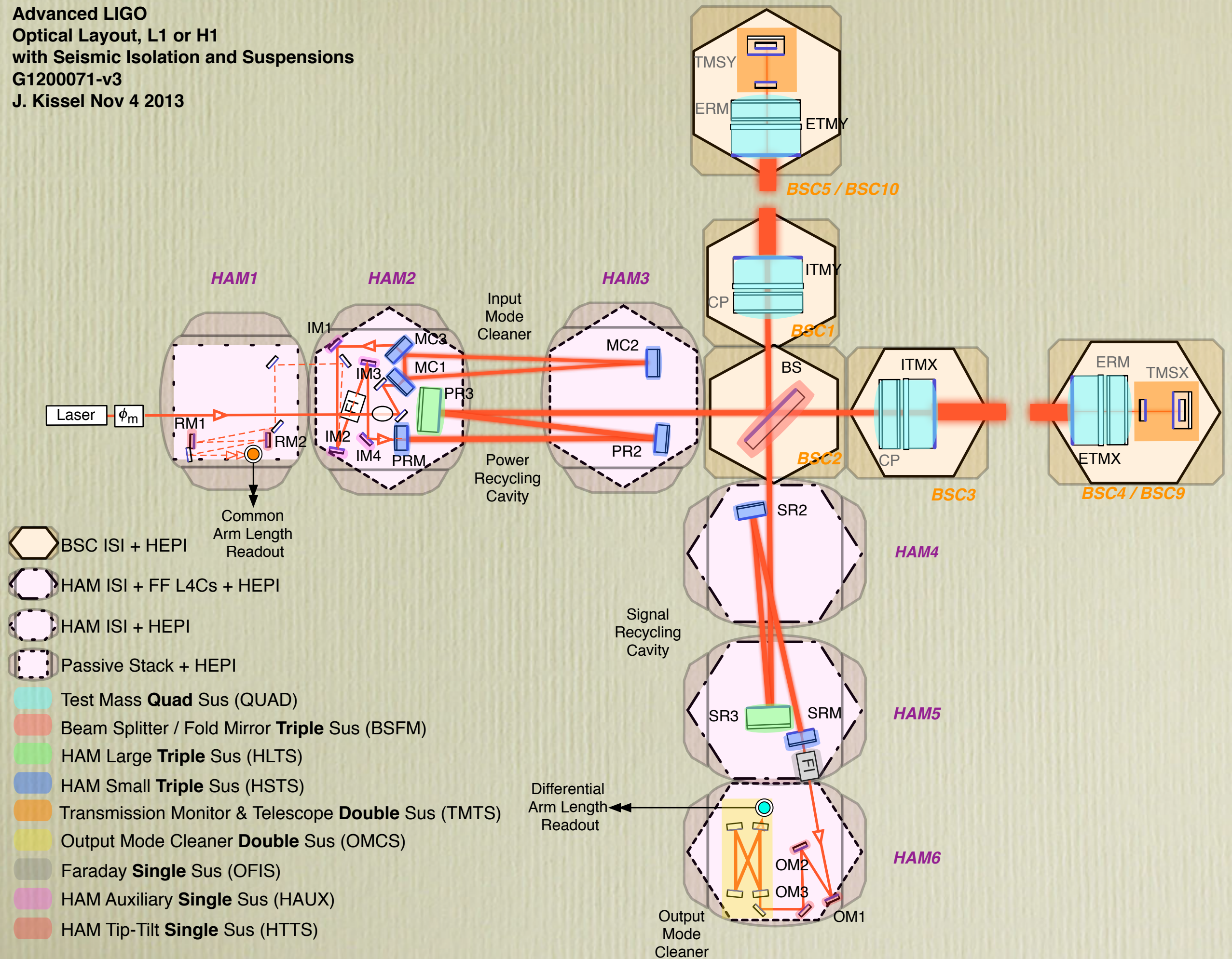
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[3] P. Rodgers, *Bulletin of the Seismological Society of America* (1992).

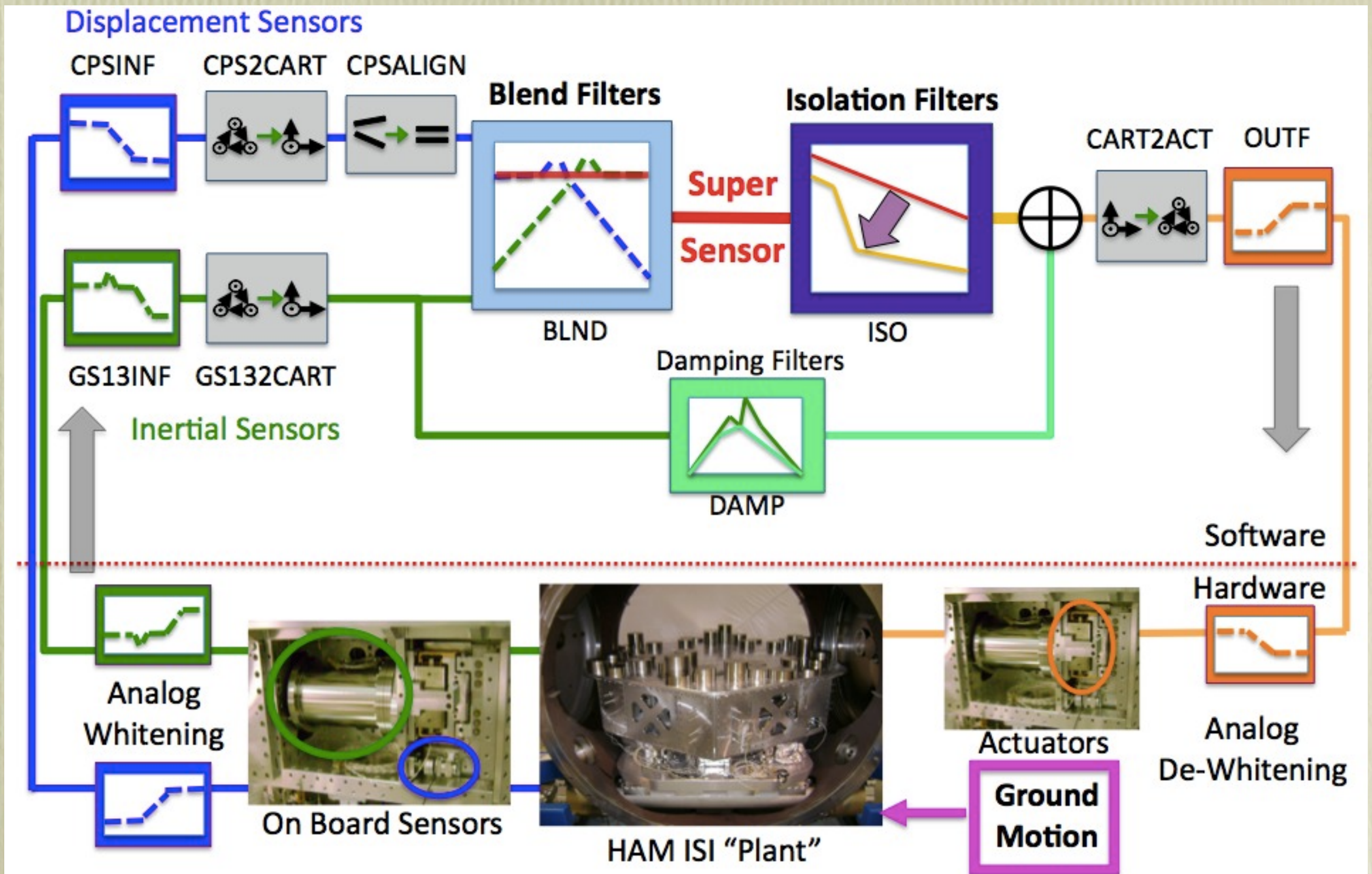
Let's Design a Sensor

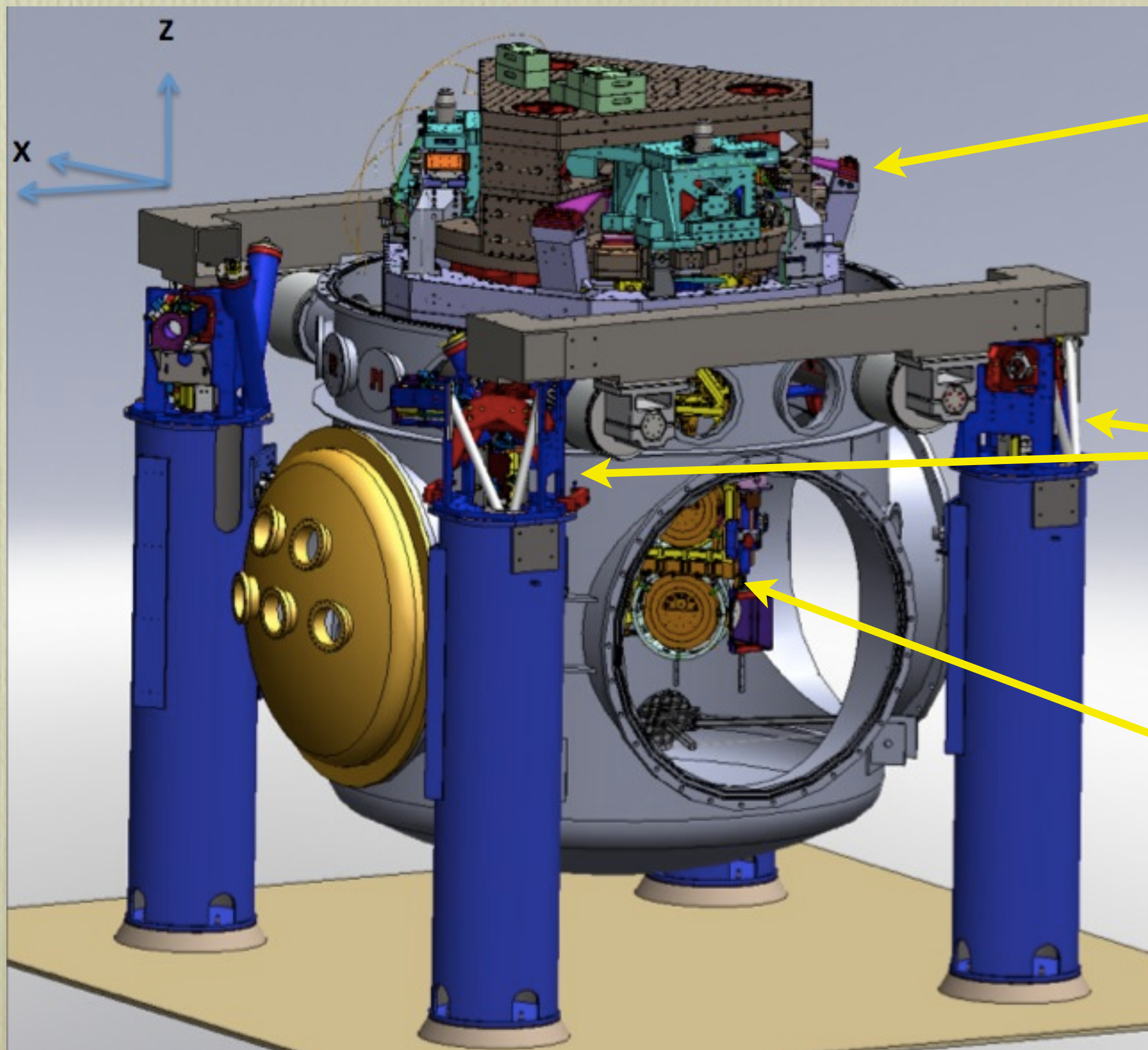
- Vertical Seismo, $m \sim 1 \text{ kg}$, $f_0 \sim 1 \text{ Hz}$, $Q \sim ?$
- Shadow Sensor for displacement sensing (0.1 nm/rHz)
- Readout photocurrent (10 uA / mm) with AD743 transimpedance stage ($\pm 15 \text{ V}$ supplies).
- Calculate noise traces and sketch total displacement noise / compare with GS-13.

Advanced LIGO
Optical Layout, L1 or H1
with Seismic Isolation and Suspensions
G1200071-v3
J. Kissel Nov 4 2013



Adv LIGO Seismic Overview





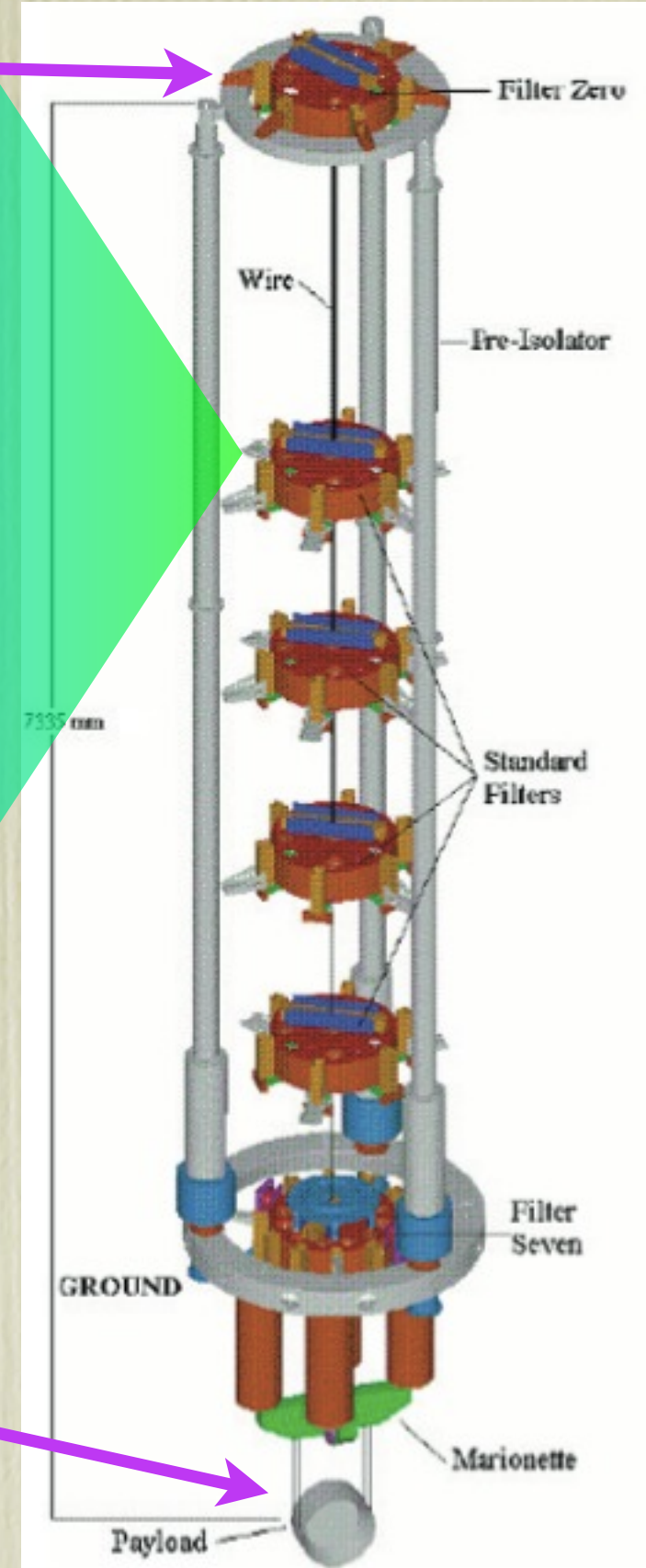
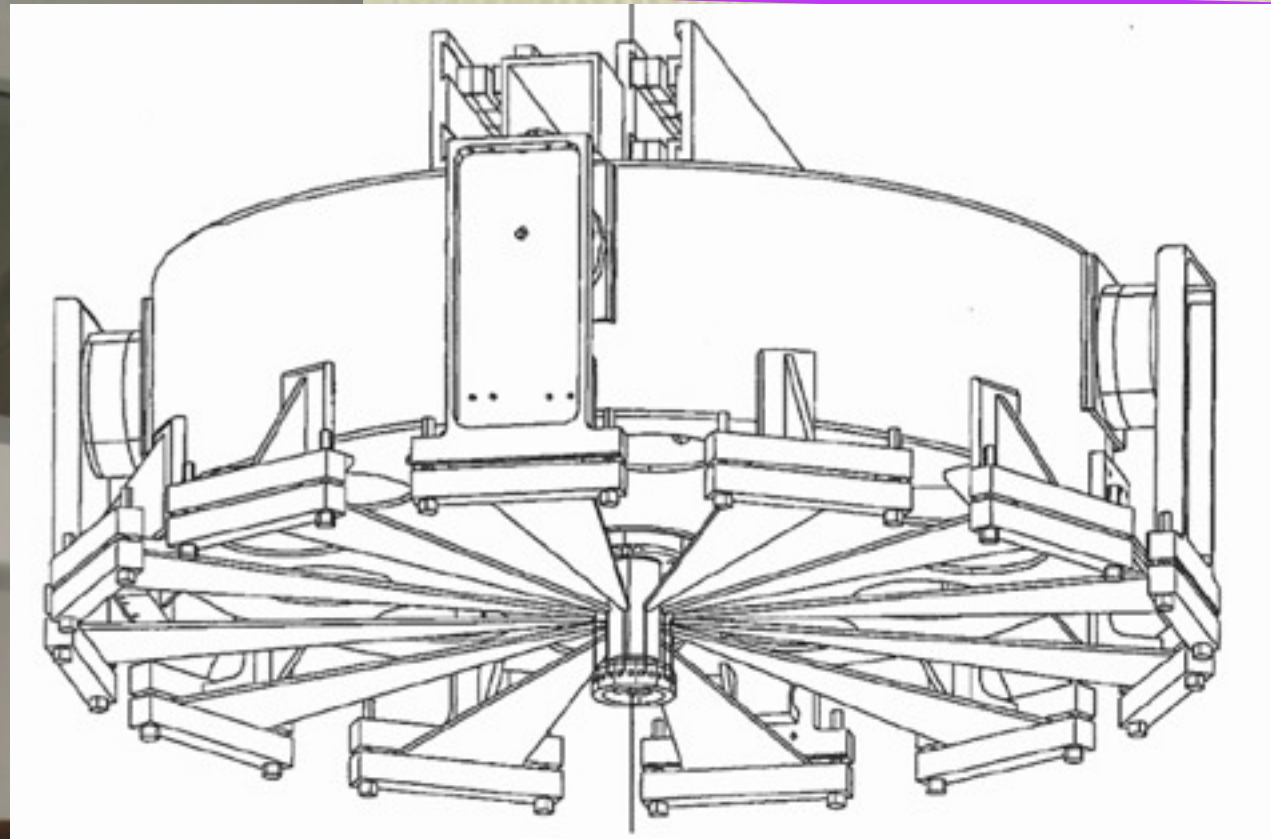
Active
Isolation
Platforms

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Legs

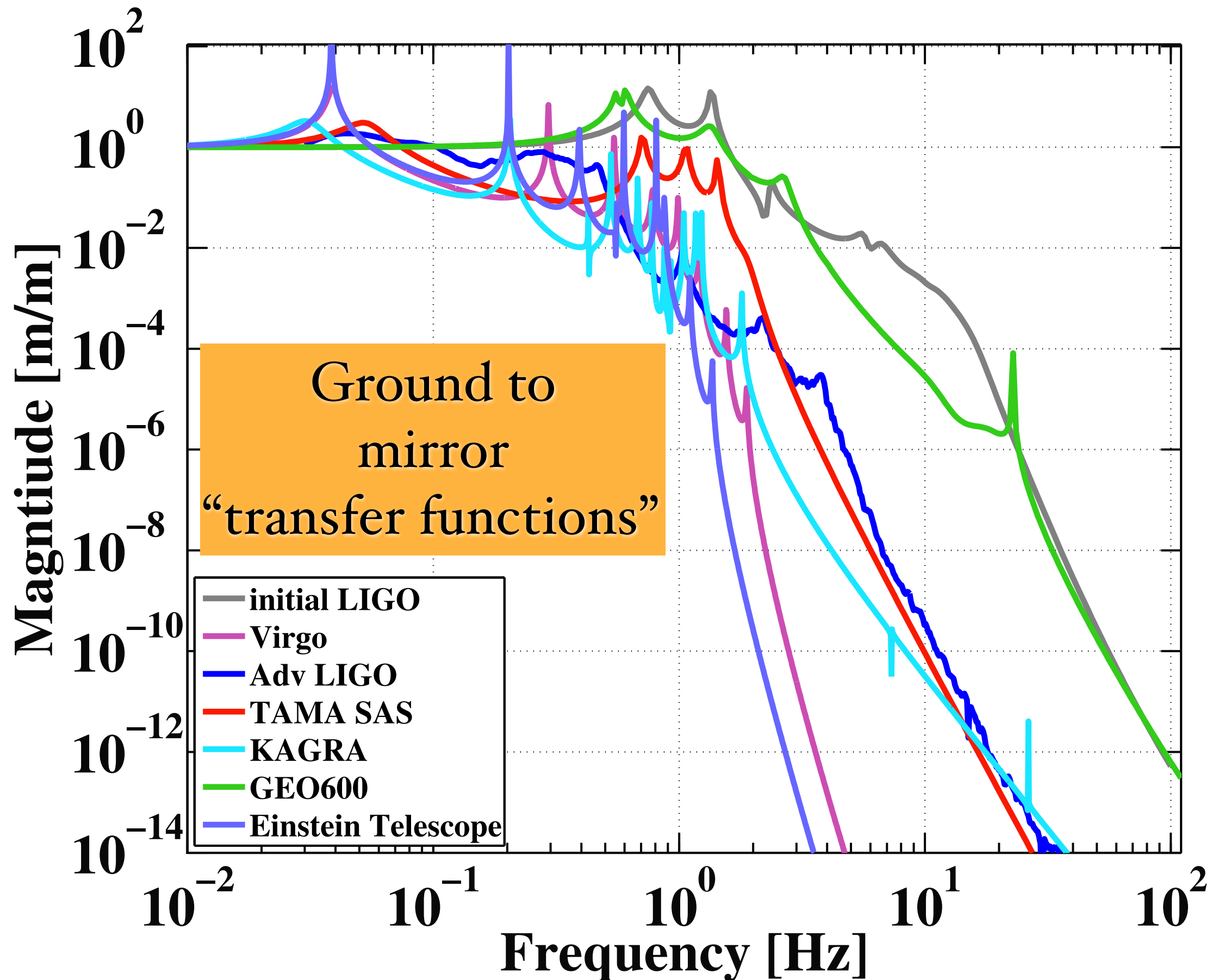
Pendulum
Mirror
Suspension

What's Wrong with Pacifism?

(OR why will KAGRA, Virgo, ALIGO want passive and LIGO will use active???)



Identify the 5 biggest differences...



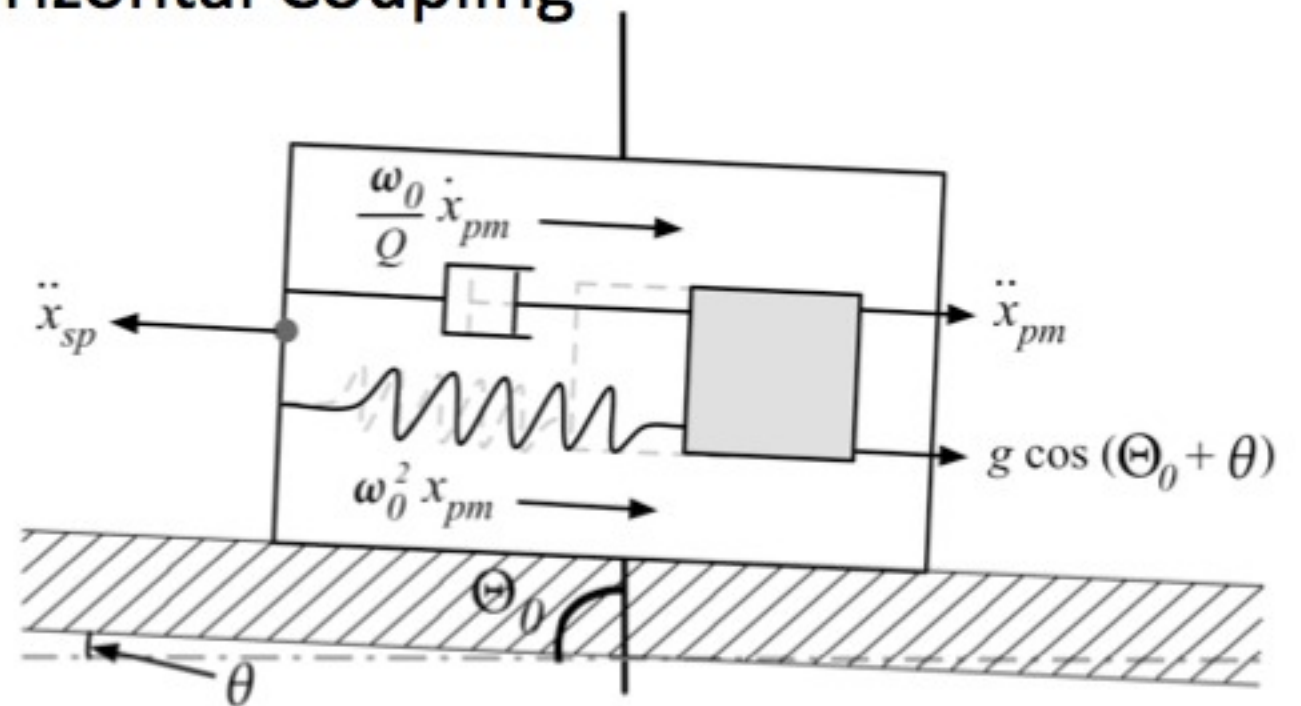
Tilt-Horizontal Problem

Tilt – Horizontal Coupling

- Fundamental property of a horizontal inertial sensor

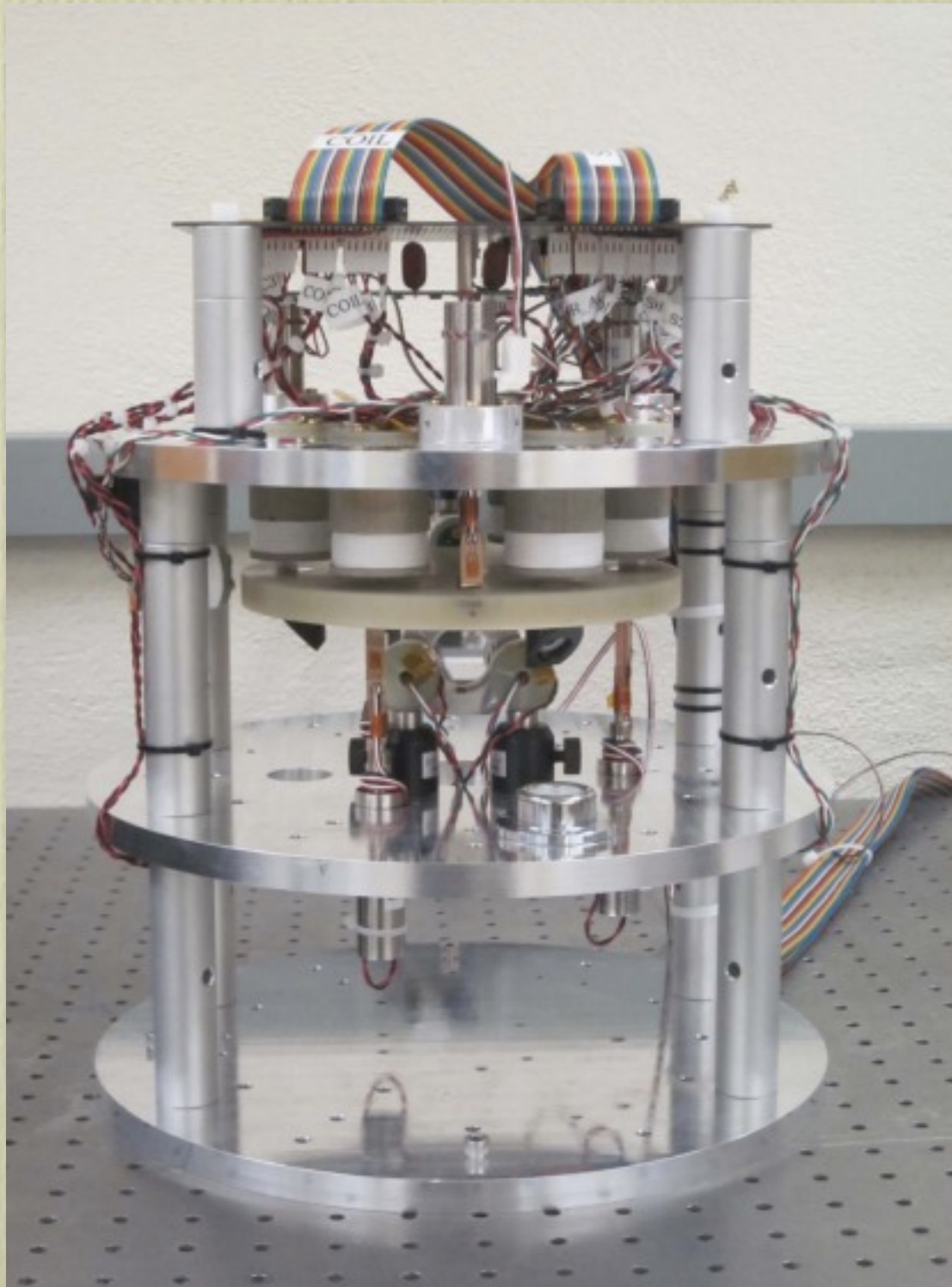
$$x_{pm}^{(h)} \propto \left(x_{sp}^{(h)} - \frac{g}{\omega^2} \theta \right)$$

- Effect dominant at **low frequency** (< 0.5 Hz)



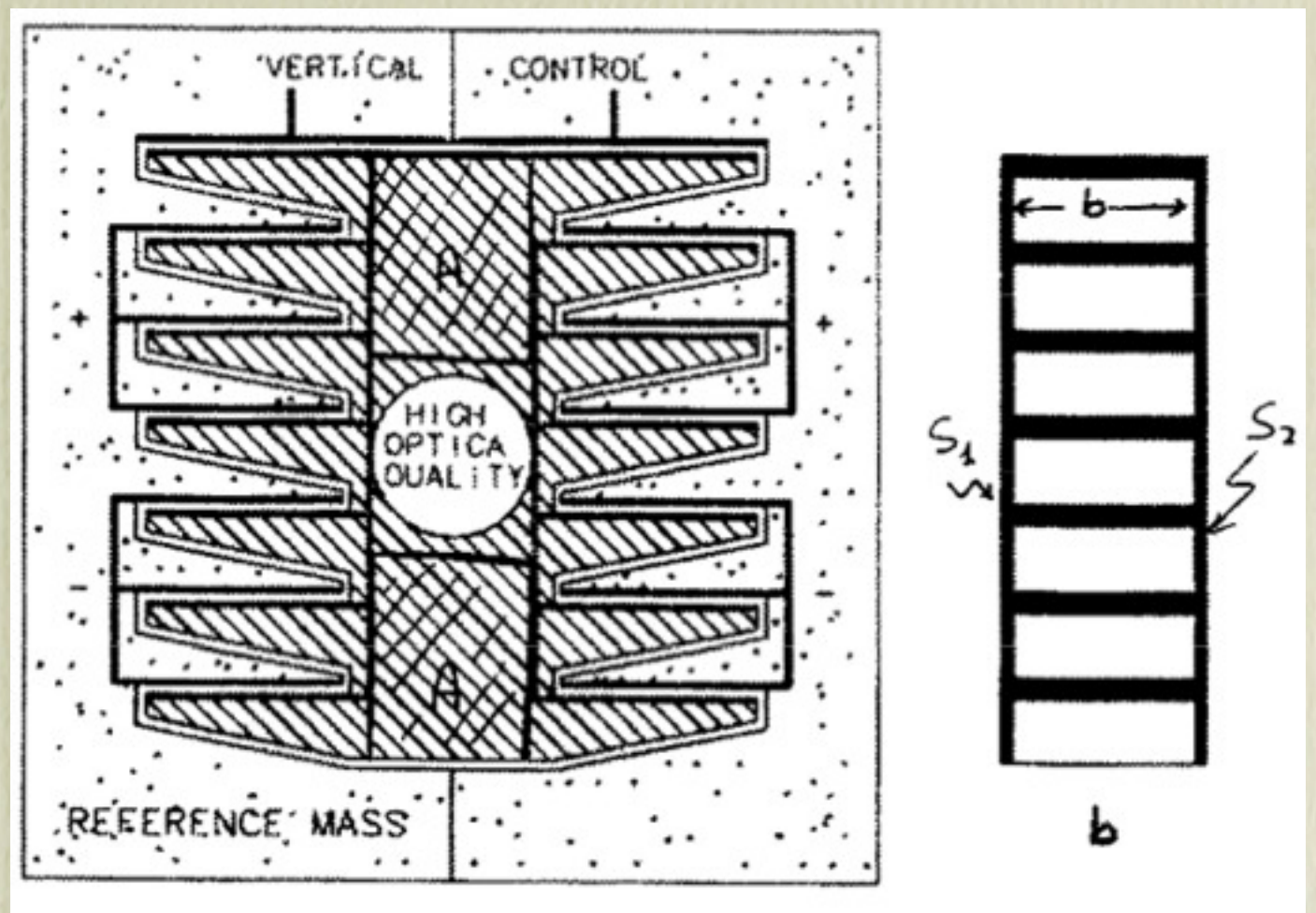
- Ring Laser Gyro (MIT: Ezekiel, New Zealand: Stedman, Caltech: Korth)
- Fiber Ring Gyro
- Pairs of Vertical Seismometers (Stanford/Debra)
- Tilt-Free Seismometer (MIT: Evans/Matichard, Virgo: Giazotto)
- Mercury Beam Balance / Bubble Level
- Optical “Walk-Off” Lever (UWA: Blair)
- Beam-Balance / See-Saw (Desalvo, Giazotto, UW: Krisha, Gundlach)

Electro-Magnetic Suspension



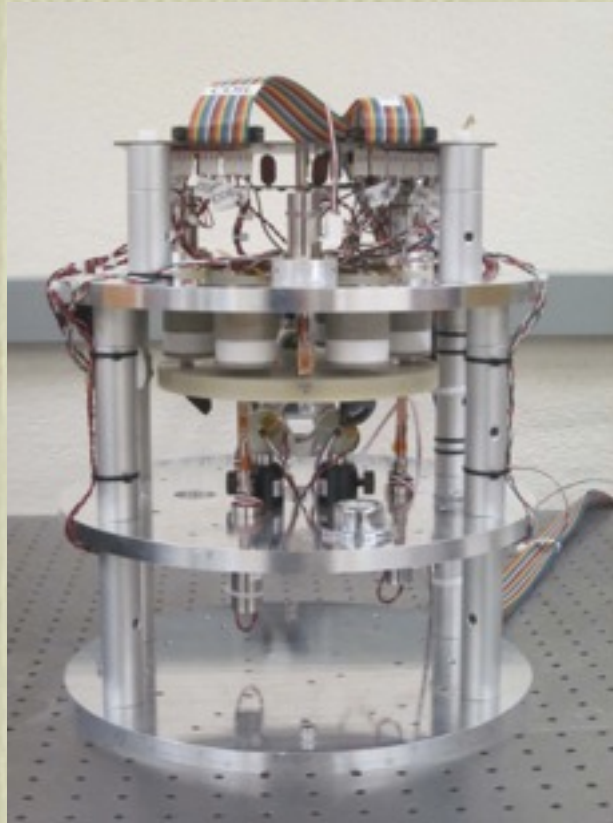
H. Miao (2013)

1. EM suspensions eliminate suspension fiber and thereby, the thermal noise
2. EM levitation can be soft, low resonant frequency, so infinite isolation



A. Giazotto (1998)

Electro-Magnetic Suspension



1. EM suspensions eliminate suspension fiber, but there is still loss associated with the spring. Yes, even superconducting magnets.
2. EM levitation can be soft, but softness is limited by stability. Earnshaw's theorem...
3. Earnshaw says 1 DOF will be unstable. Need low noise position sensors for damping.
4. Residual EM dipoles, quadrupoles, ... allow coupling of environmental fields.

