

# DECIGO : the Japanese Space Gravitational Wave Antenna

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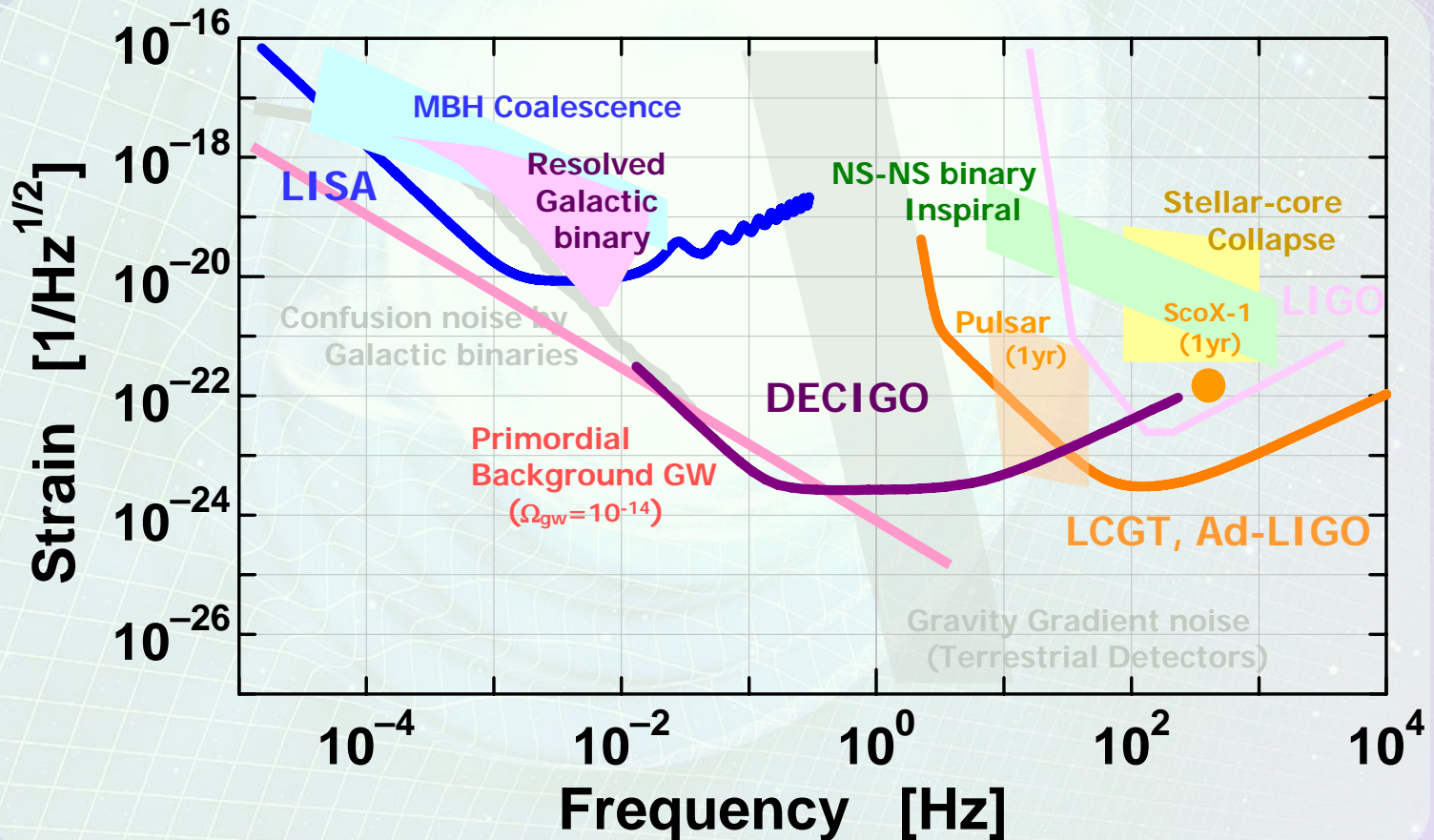
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# Introduction

## • DECIGO

Deci-hertz Interferometer Gravitational Wave Observatory

⇒ bridges the gap between LISA and terrestrial detectors





# Pre-conceptual Design (1)

## • Pre-conceptual Design

### FP-Michelson interferometer

Arm length: 1000 km

Finesse: 10

Laser

Power: 10 W

Wavelength: 532 nm

Mirror (Test mass)

Diameter: 1 m

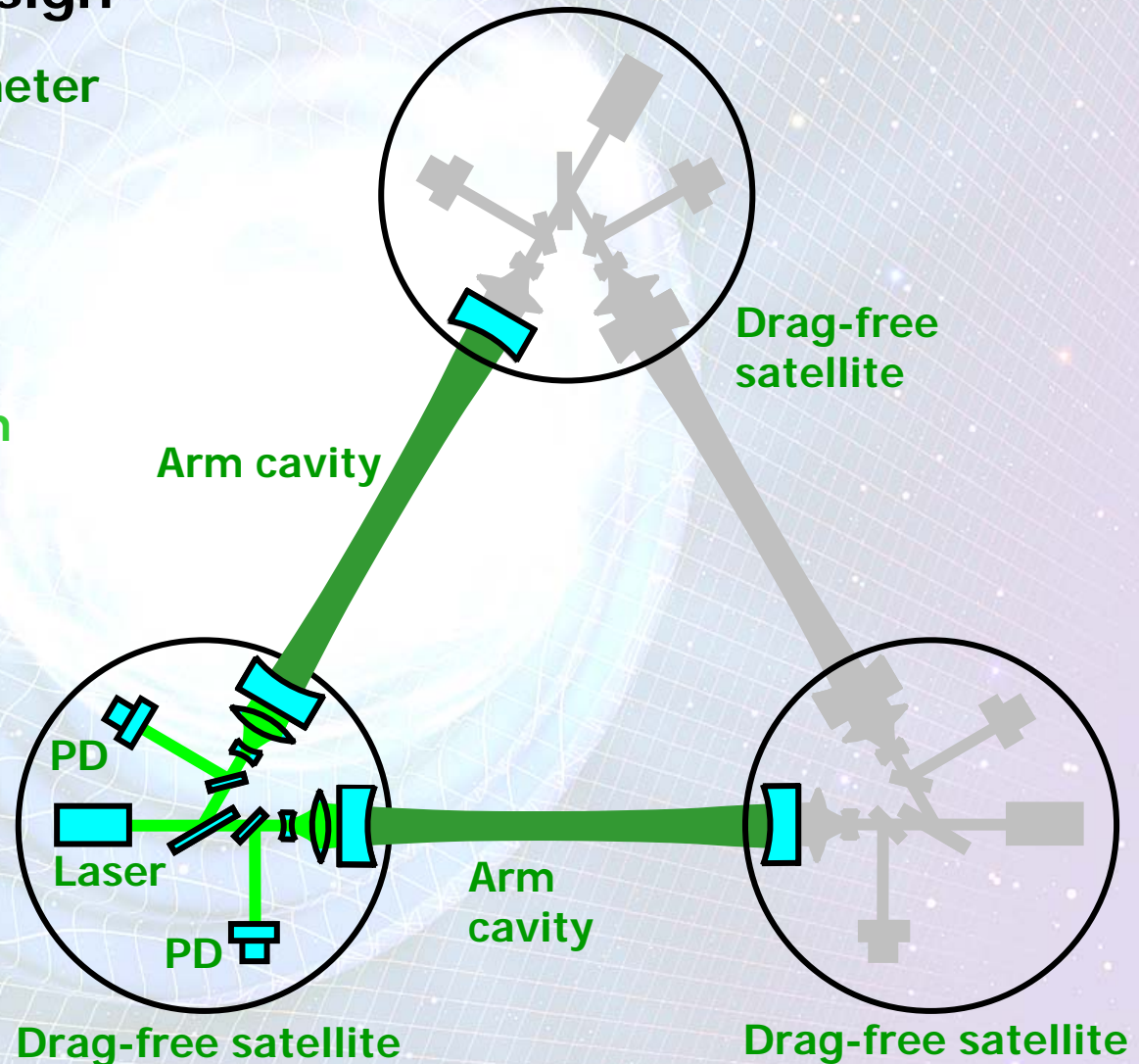
Mass: 100 kg

Shielded by S/C

Orbit and

constellation: TBD

S. Kawamura, et al.,  
CQG 23 (2006) S125-S131





# Pre-conceptual Design (2)

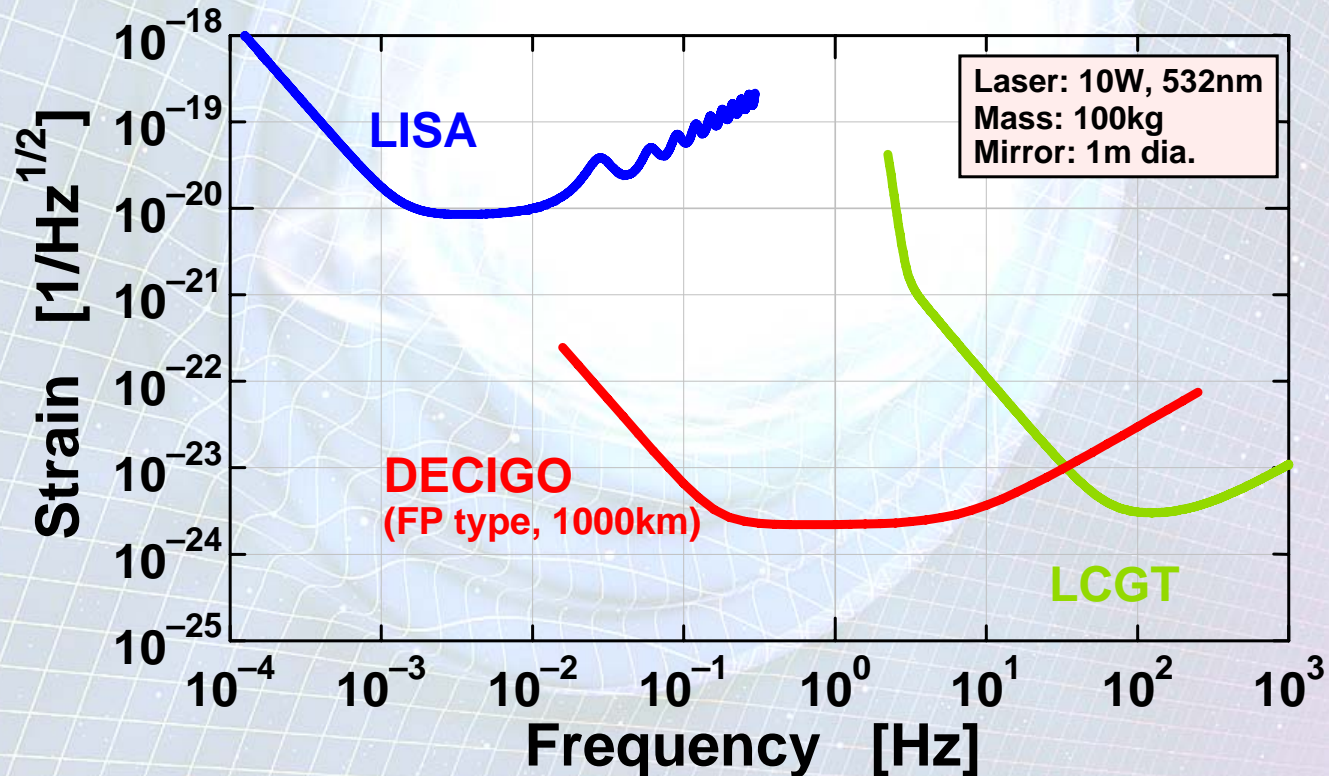
## • Sensitivity

Floor level :  $2 \times 10^{-24} / \text{Hz}^{1/2}$  (0.1 - 10Hz)

### Noise sources

Low freq.: Acceleration noise, Radiation pressure noise

High freq.: Shot noise (7.5Hz cut-off freq. )





# Pre-conceptual Design (3)

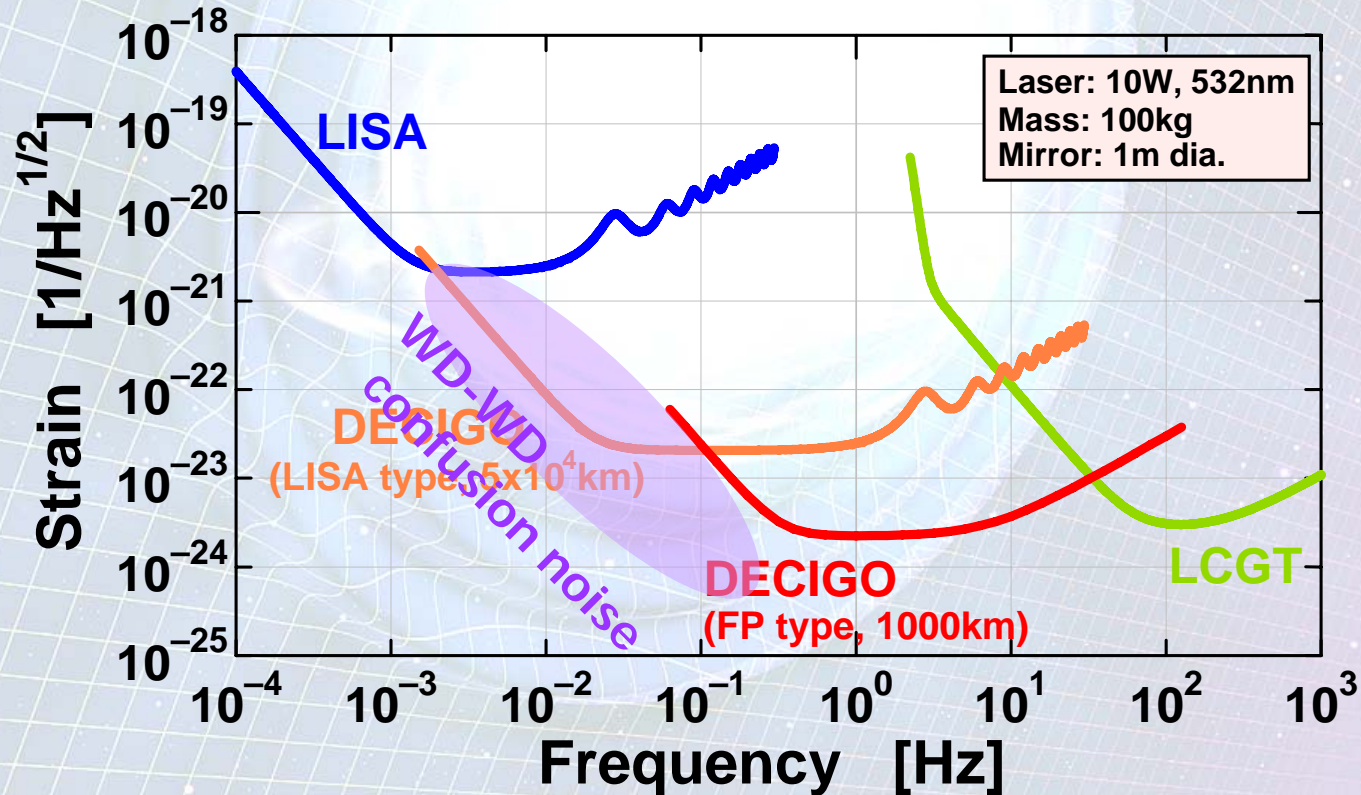
## • Interferometer Design

Transponder type vs Direct-reflection type

Compare: Sensitivity curve and Expected Science

Same detector parameters (Mirror, Laser, etc.)

➡ Decisive factor: Binary confusion noise





# Pre-conceptual Design (4)

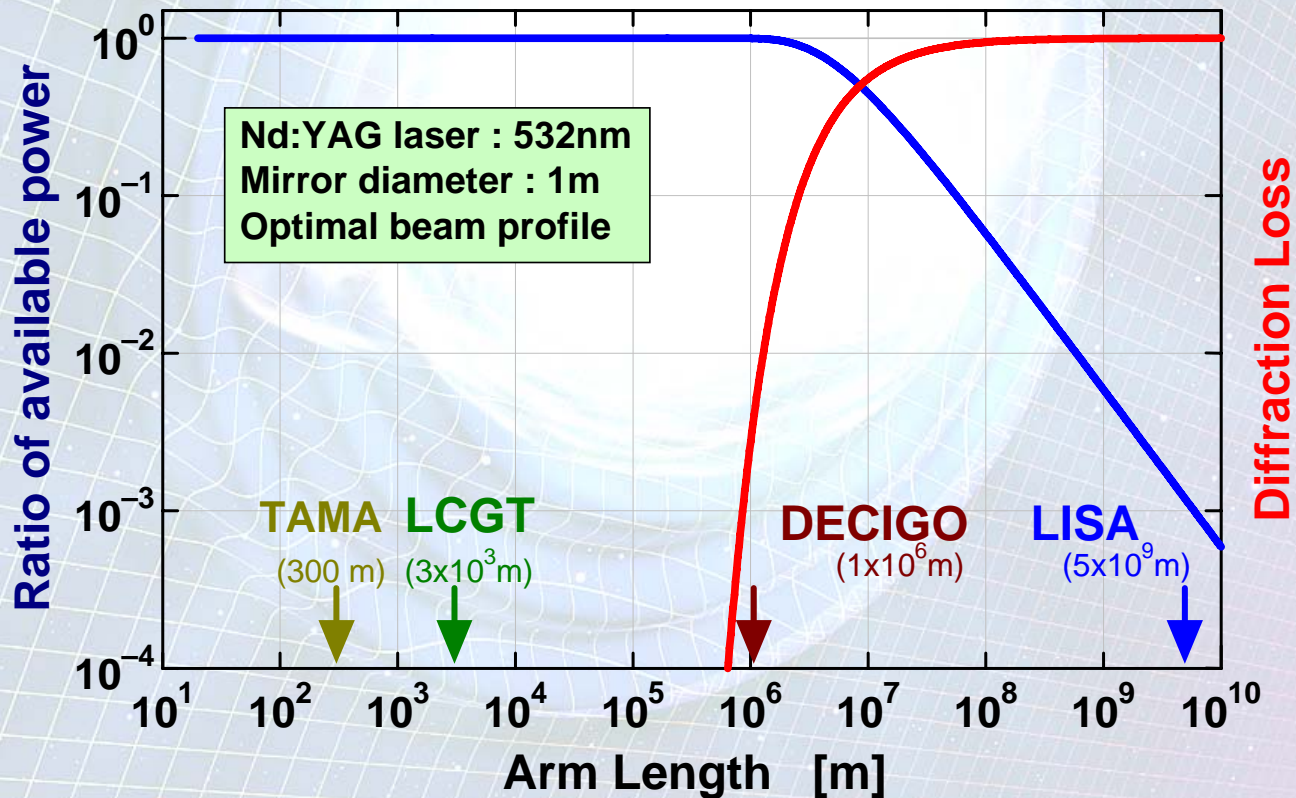
- **Arm length**

Cavity arm length : Limited by **diffraction loss**

Calculate Effective reflectivity ( $TEM_{00} \rightarrow TEM_{00}$ )

Laser wavelength : **532nm**, Mirror diameter: **1m**

**Optimal beam size**





# Pre-conceptual Design (5)

## • Requirements

Practical force noise:

$4 \times 10^{-17} \text{ N/Hz}^{1/2}$  per mirror  
(Mirror mass: 100kg)

Frequency Noise (at 1 Hz)

First-stage stabilization:  $1 \text{ Hz/Hz}^{1/2}$

Stabilization gain

by common-mode arm length:  $10^5$

Common-mode rejection ratio :  $10^5$



# Pre-conceptual Design (6)

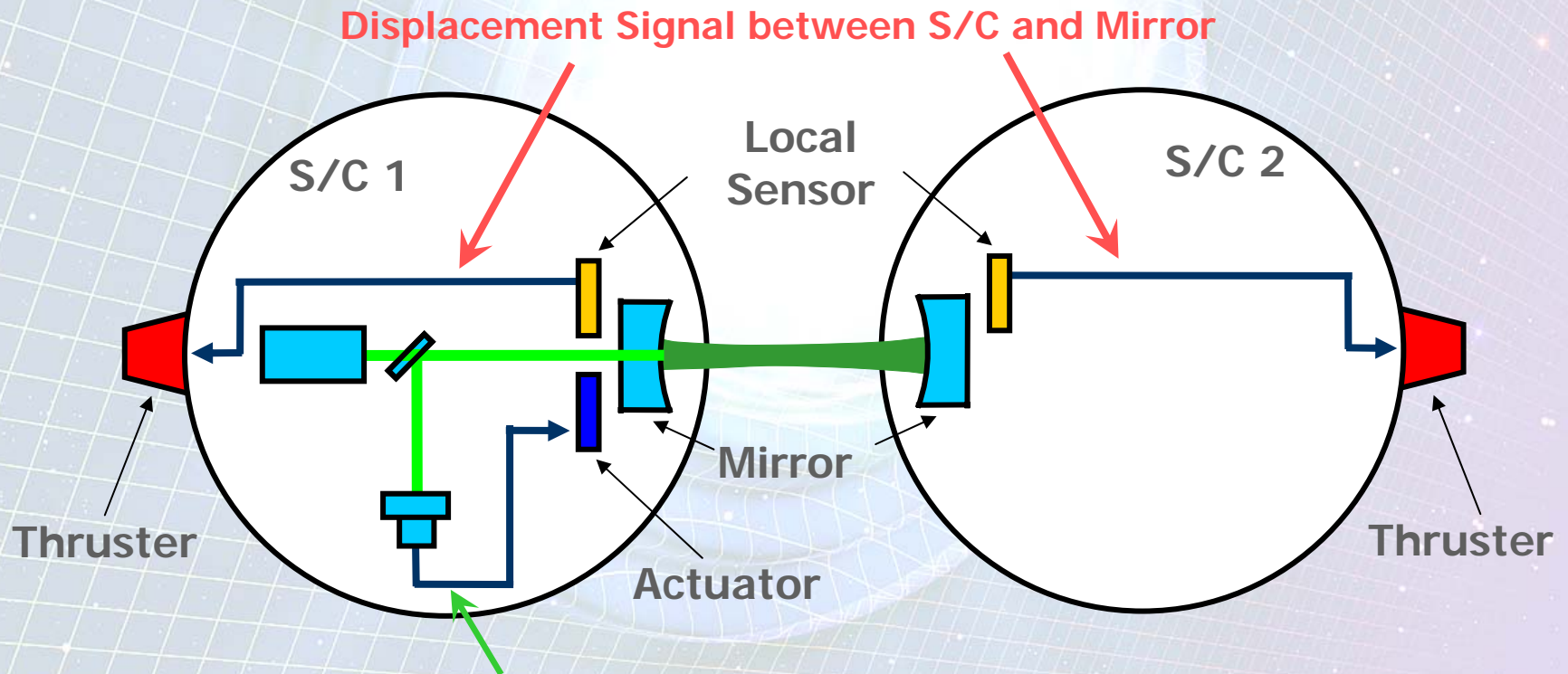
- Cavity and S/C control

Cavity length change

PDH error signal → Mirror position (and Laser frequency)

Relative motion between mirror and S/C

Local sensor → S/C thruster



Displacement Signal between S/C and Mirror

Displacement signal between the two Mirrors

Fig: S. Kawamura



# Pre-conceptual Design (7)

- S/C thruster force

S/C orbit : TBD

(ex) Similar orbit as that of LISA

Numerical simulation of  
multi-bode system

Include gravity of planets

Arm length: 1000km

Earth-like orbit,

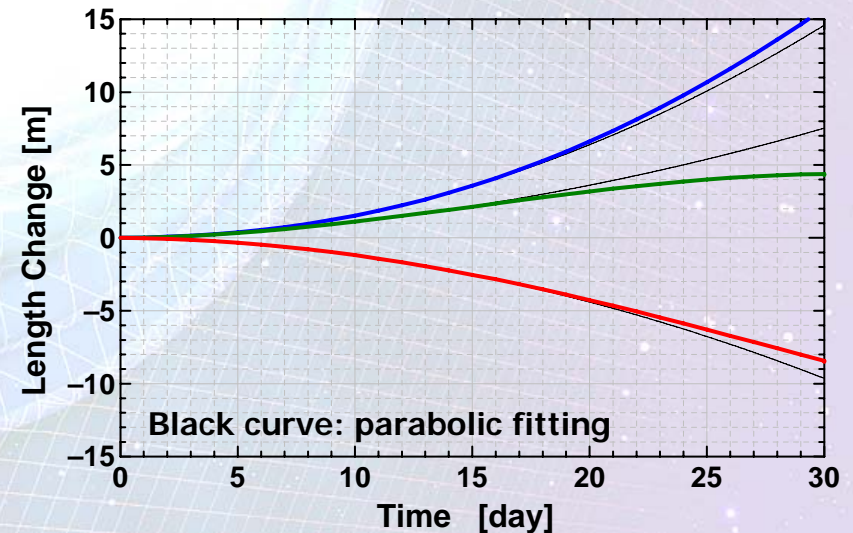
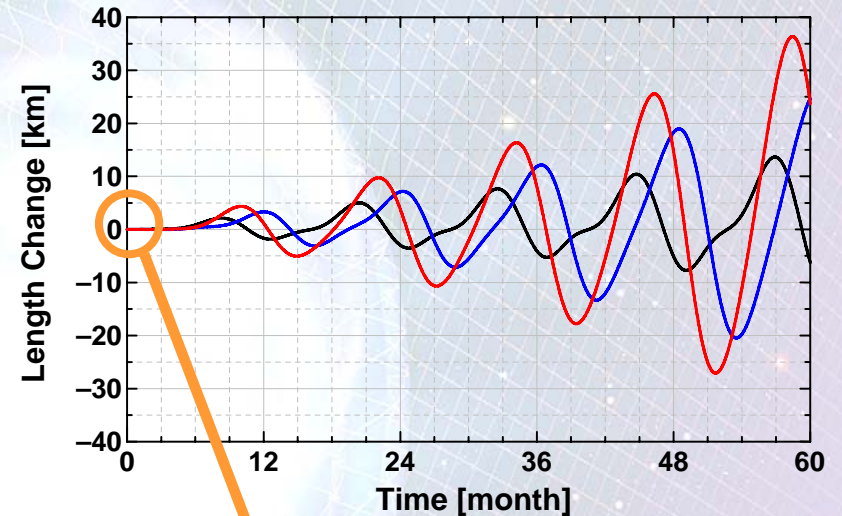
20deg. Behind the earth



Length control is indispensable

Acceleration to be controlled:

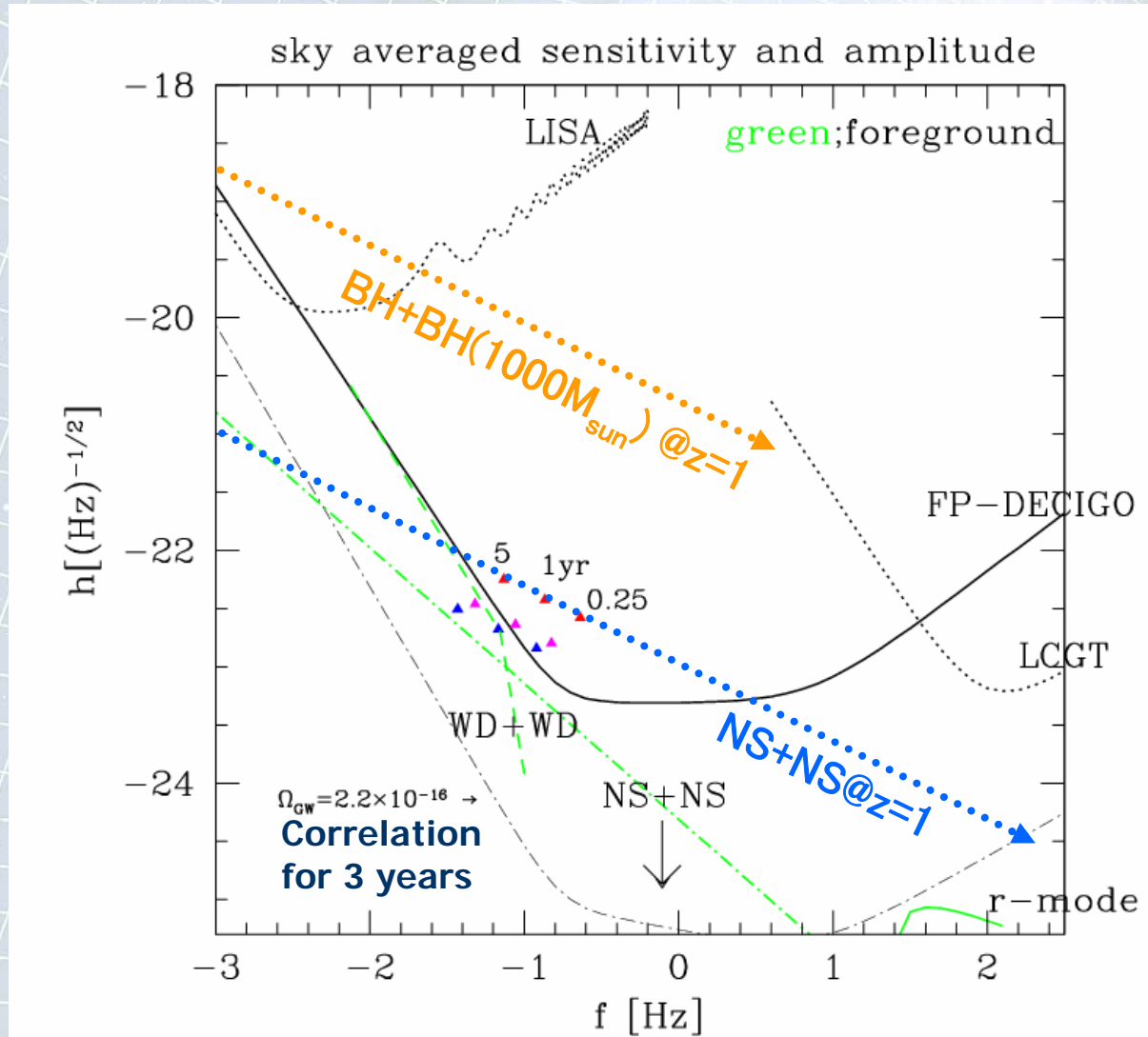
$$\sim 4 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m/s}^2$$





# Science by DECIGO (1)

## Binary Inspiral



Extremely high rate  
for NS-NS inspirals

NS-NS ( $1.4+1.4M_{\text{sun}}$ )  
 $z < 1$  (SN > 26: 7200/yr)  
 $z < 3$  (SN > 12: 32000/yr)  
 $z < 5$  (SN > 9: 47000/yr)  
 IMBH ( $1000+1000M_{\text{sun}}$ )  
 $z < 1$  (SN > 6000)

Fig: N. Seto

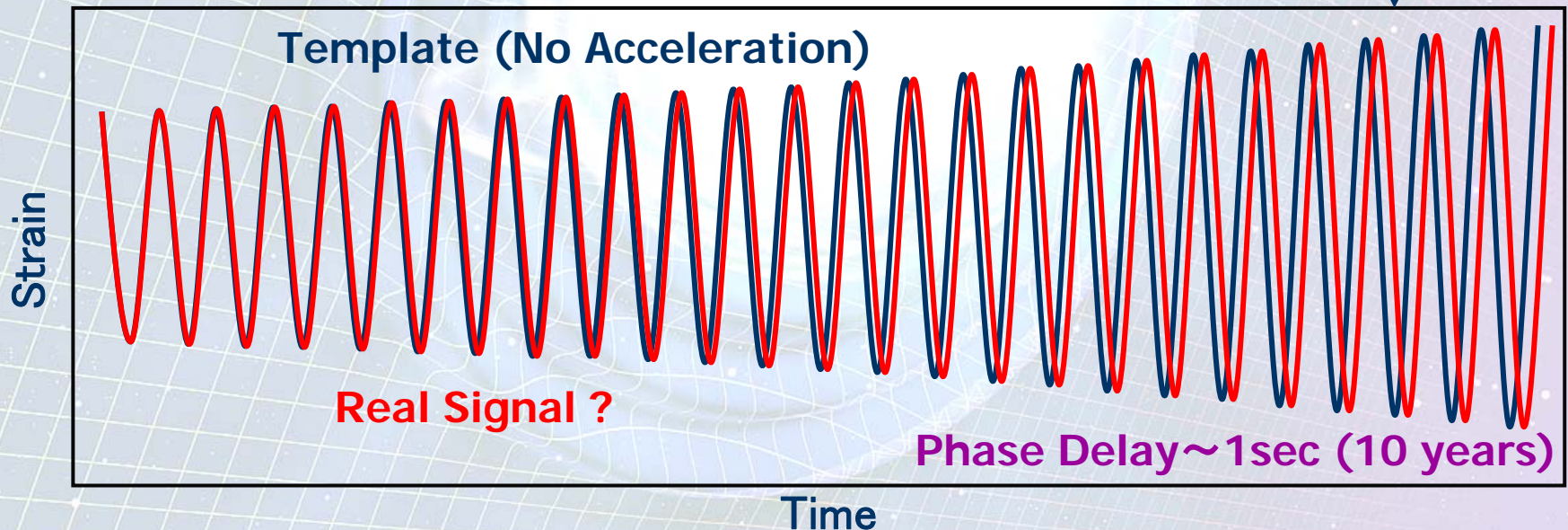
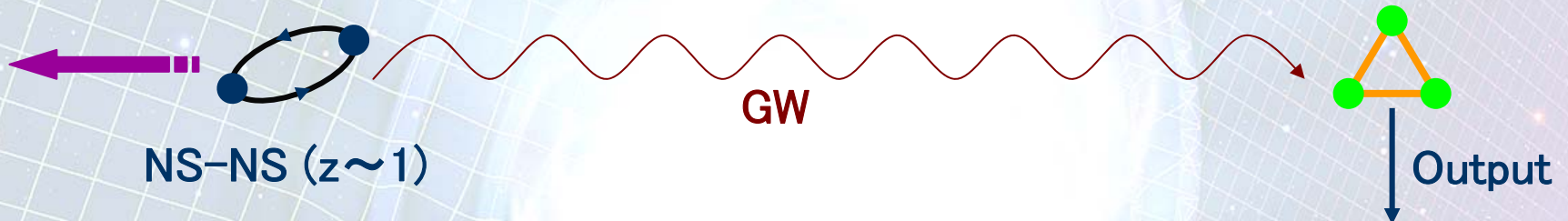


# Science by DECIGO (2)

## ● Acceleration of Expansion of the Universe

Distant binary is a precise clock → Monitor Doppler shift

Expansion + Acceleration?



Seto, Kawamura, Nakamura, PRL 87, 221103 (2001)



# Science by DECIGO (3)

- **Constraint to Dark Energy**

**Distance – Red shift relationship** for NS-NS binaries  
→ **Constraint to dark energy**

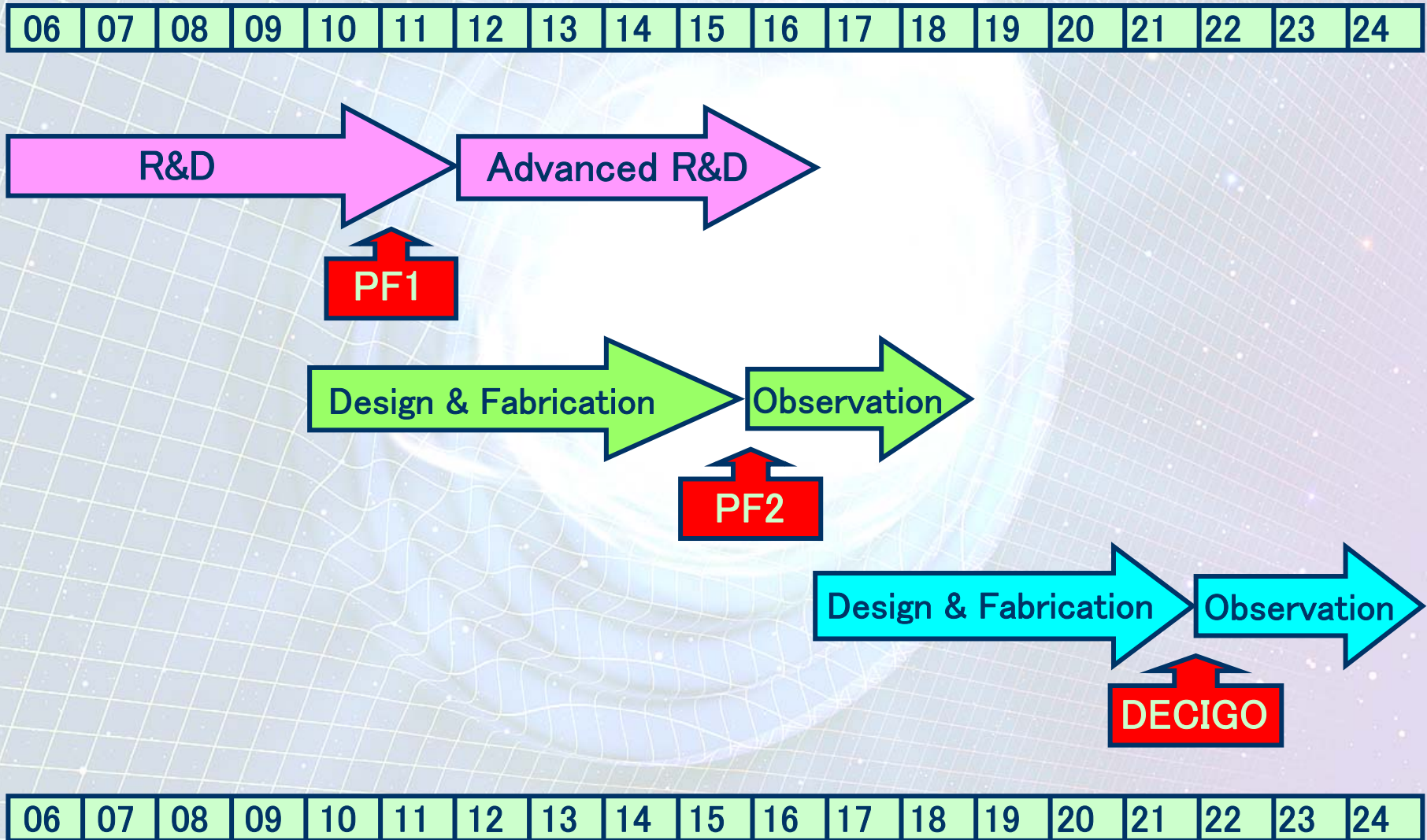
**Distance:** determined directly by GW observation

**Red shift:** determined by identifying the host galaxies  
(10 arcsec at  $z=1$  for two far-separate DECIGO)s)



# Roadmap and R&D (1)

## • Roadmap to DECIGO





# Roadmap and R&D (2)

## • DECIGO Pathfinder1

Single S/C with  
Test mass  
Laser interferometer  
Drag-free system

### Objectives

Drag-free system  
Cavity locking in space  
Modest sensitivity at 0.1 – 1 Hz  
→ GW observation

Details: TBD

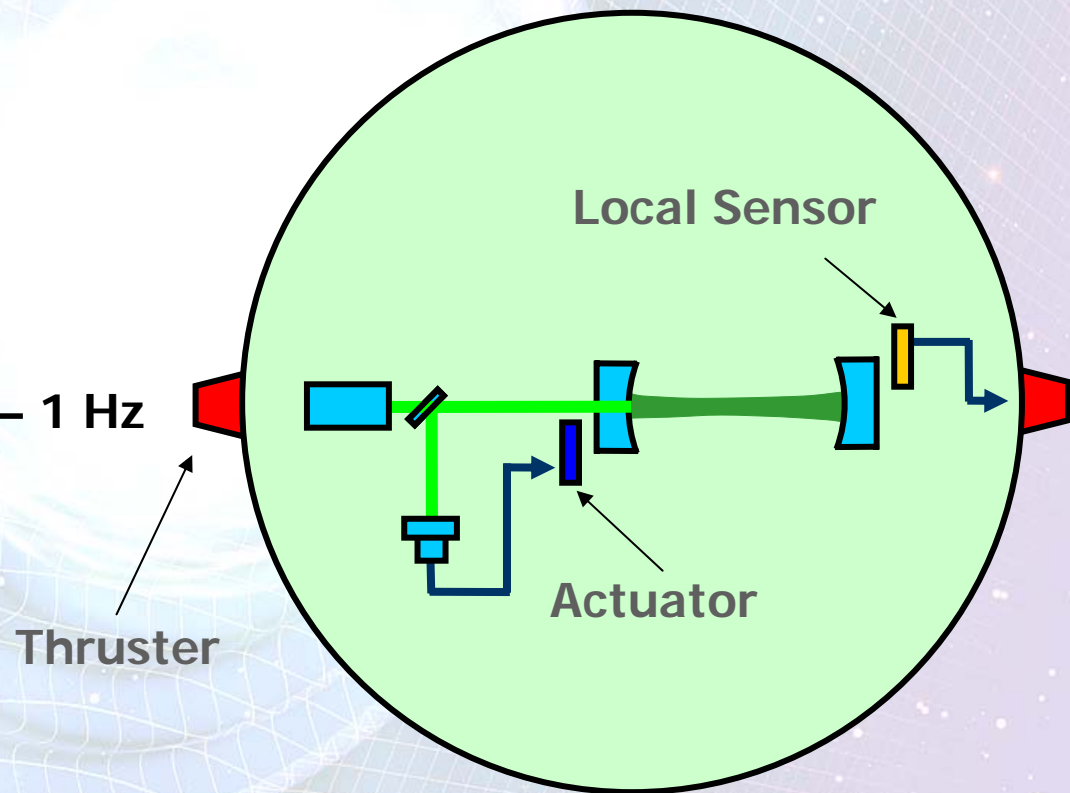


Fig: S. Kawamura



# Roadmap and R&D (3)

## • DECIGO Pathfinder2

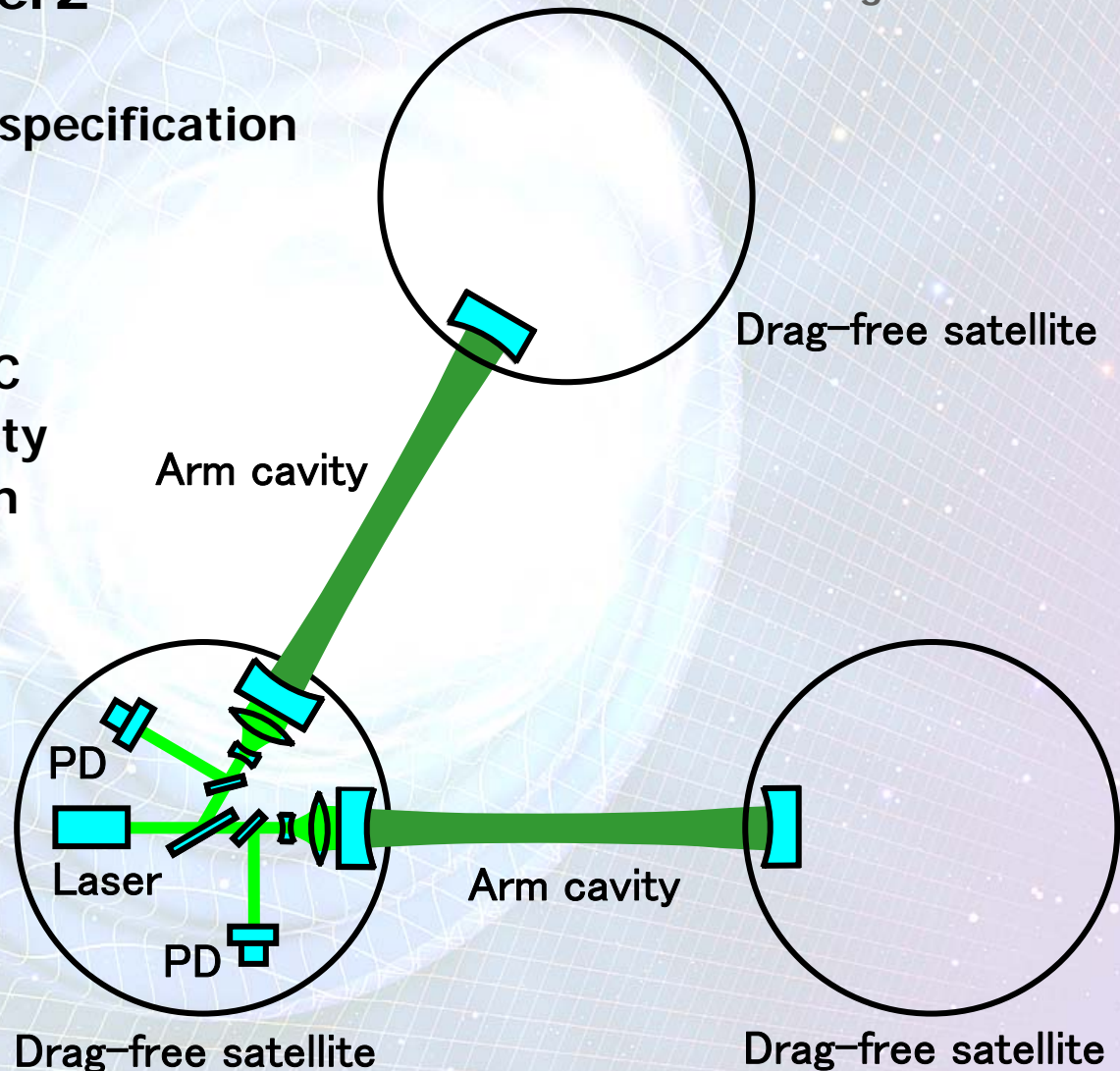
Fig: S. Kawamura

DECIGO with modest specification

### Objectives

Cavity locking  
between two S/C  
Meaningful sensitivity  
→ GW observation

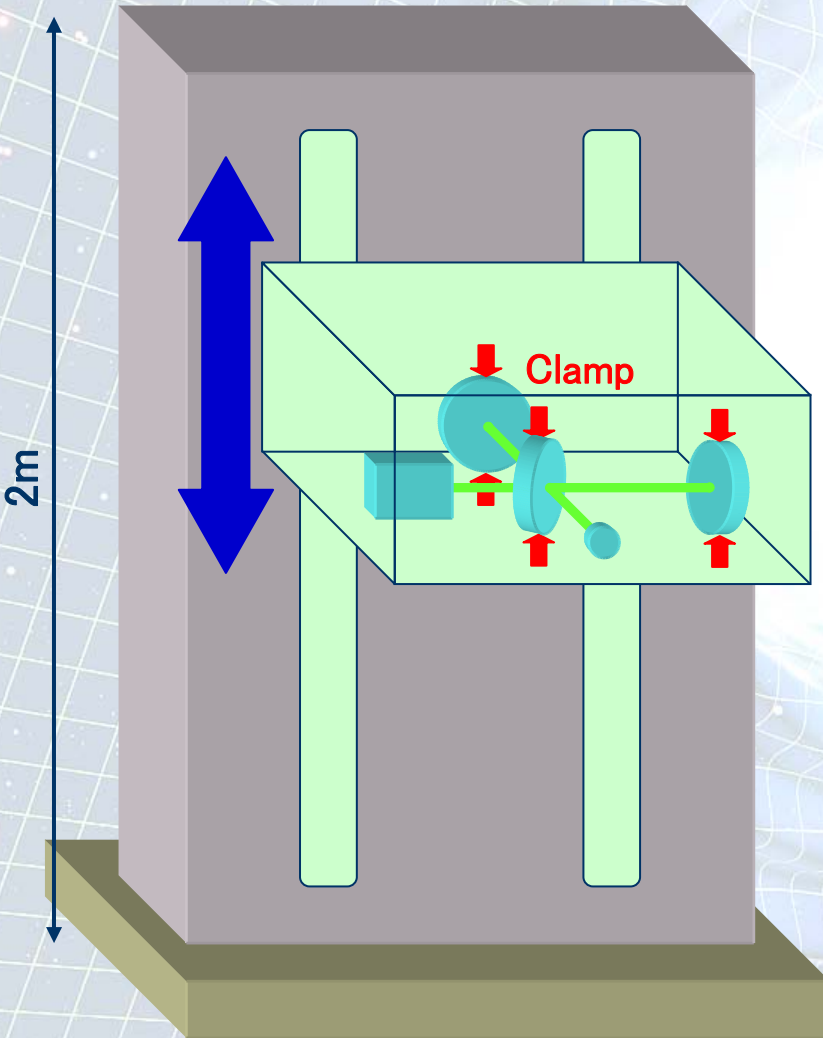
Details: TBD





# Roadmap and R&D (4)

## • DECIGO Simulator



## Objectives

Continual free-fall environment

Clamp release

Modest sensitivity down to 0.1Hz

Possibility of long arm

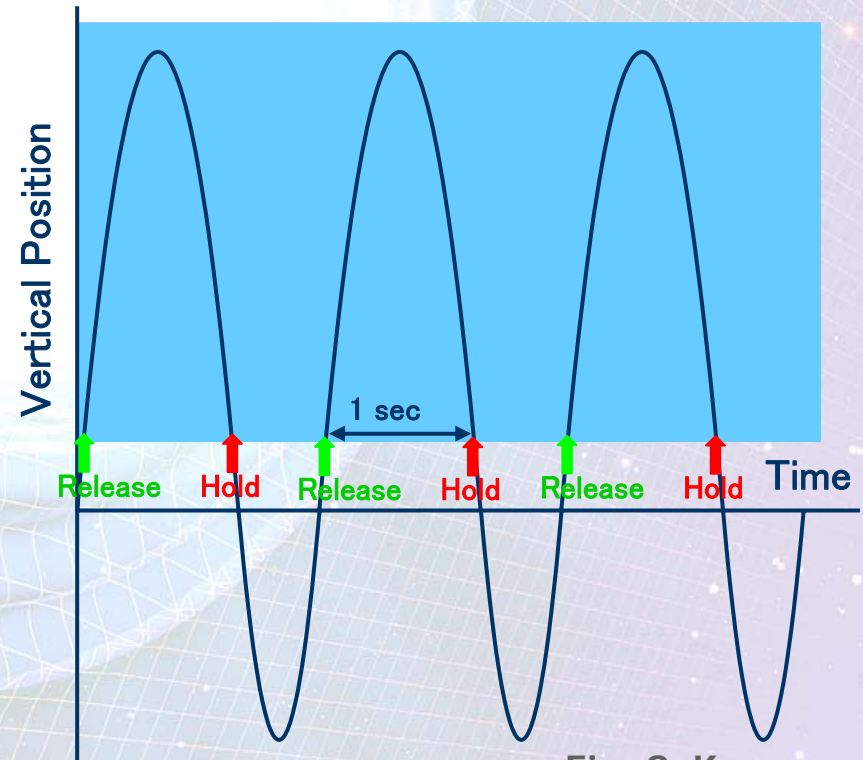


Fig: S. Kawamura



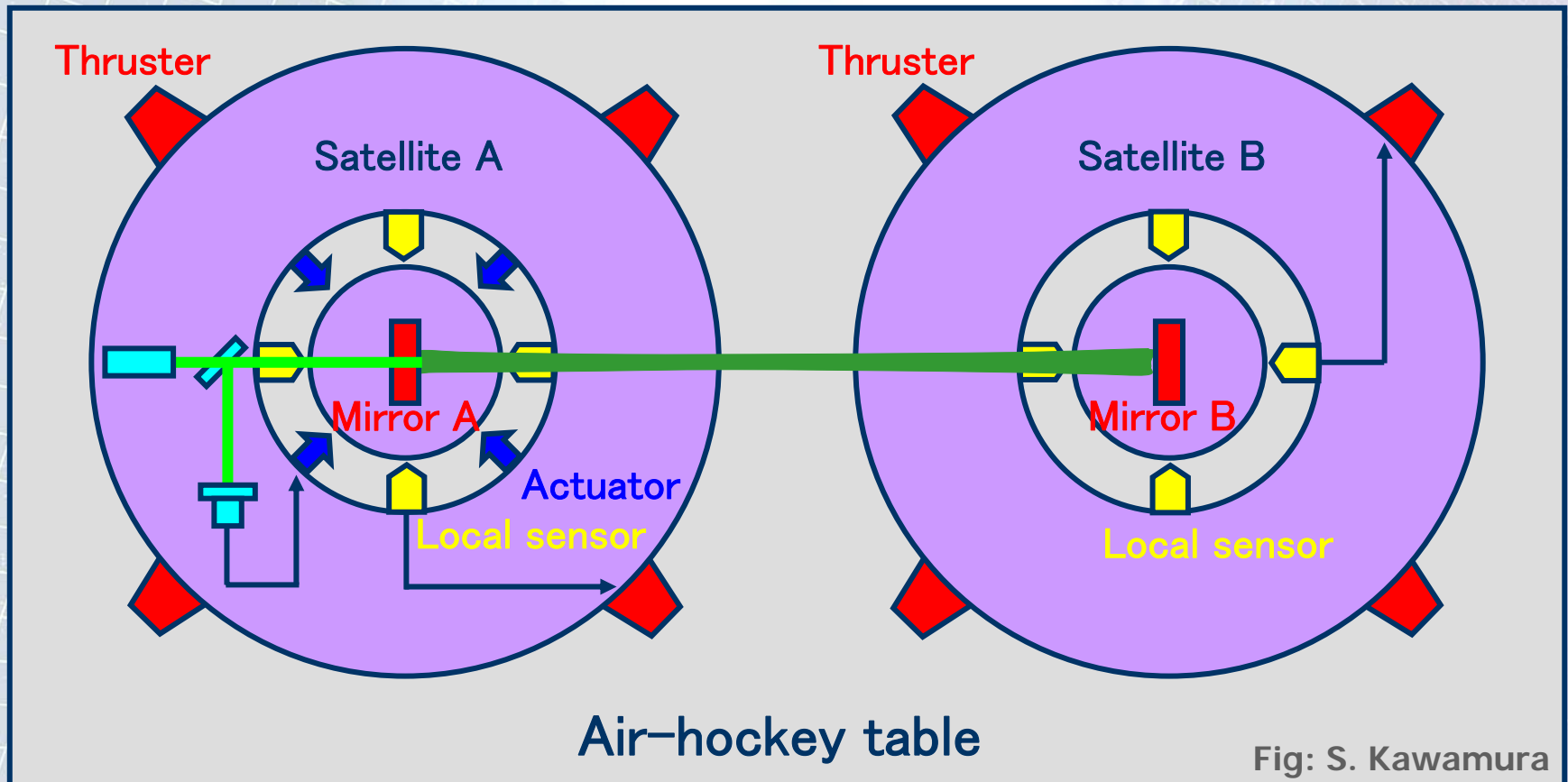
# Roadmap and R&D (5)

## • DECIGO Demonstrator

### Objectives

Lock acquisition

Drag-free control demonstration





# Roadmap and R&D (6)

## • Budget

Budget request for

**“Frontier of All Wavelength Gravitational Wave Astronomy”**  
submitted in 2005

- TAMA and CLIO
- **R&D for DECIGO**
- Pulsar Timing
- Super-high frequency G.W. detection

Not approved to our surprise

Try again?



# Summary

DECIGO will have an **extremely good sensitivity**  
and **open the GW window widely.**

DECIGO requires

**extremely challenging technology** development.

We hope that we will be able to

start the **R&D for DECIGO** very soon.





**End**