

レーザー干渉計型重力波検出器

Laser interferometric gravitational wave detectors

4. Seismic Noise and Thermal Noise



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Assignment for Nov 17

- Give an example where bigger is not necessarily better for a gravitational wave detector, and explain the reason.
- You may also answer from the Google Form below
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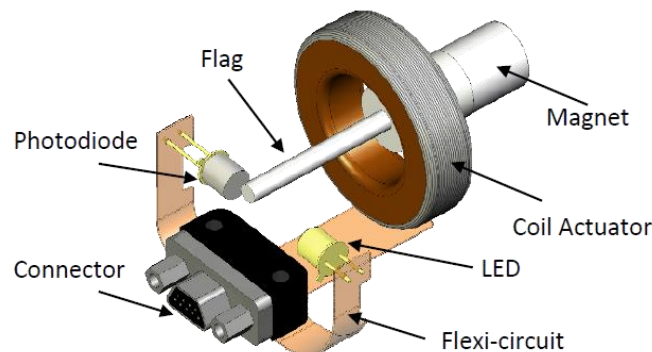
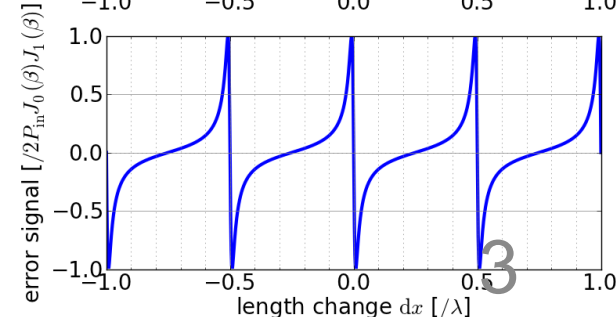
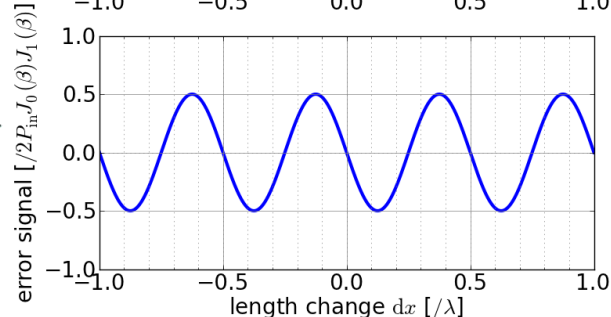
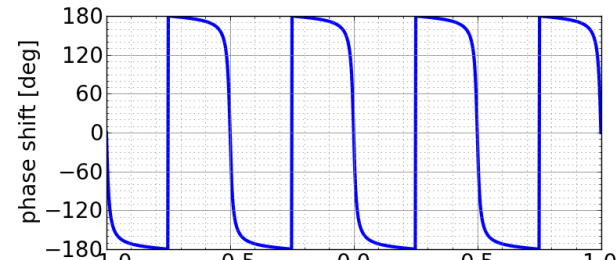
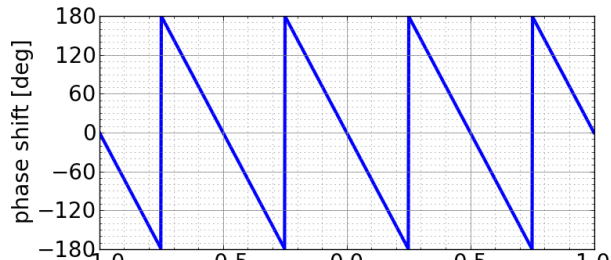
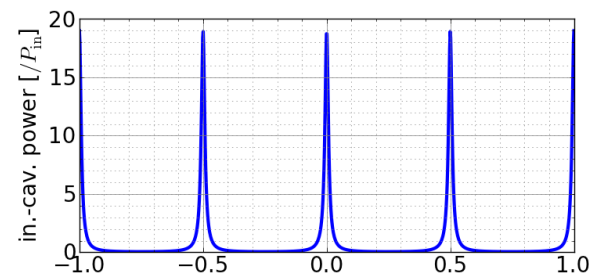
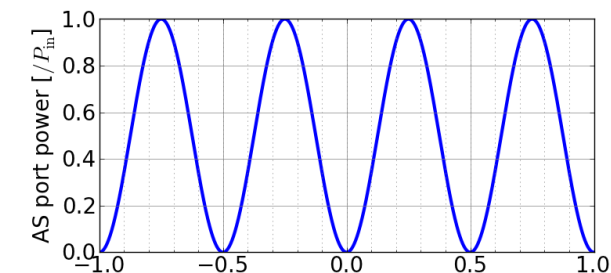
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You may answer in
any language



Nonlinearity in GW detectors

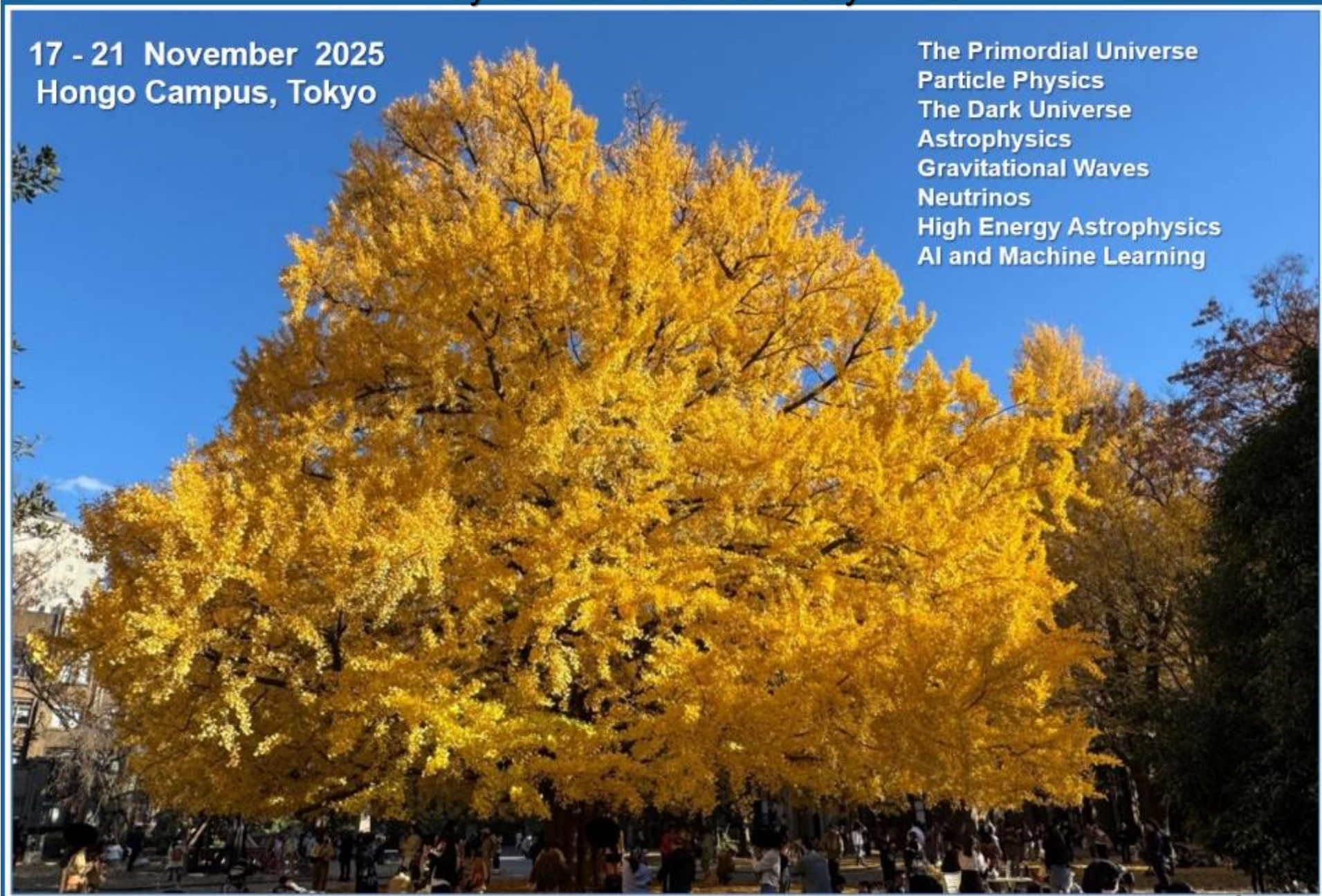
- Assignment for the previous lecture was about nonlinearity
- Actually, everything is nonlinear to some extent
 - Detuning
 - Actuation
 - Scattered light noise
 - etc...



I will try to finish this lecture by 12:00

17 - 21 November 2025
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The Primordial Universe
Particle Physics
The Dark Universe
Astrophysics
Gravitational Waves
Neutrinos
High Energy Astrophysics
AI and Machine Learning



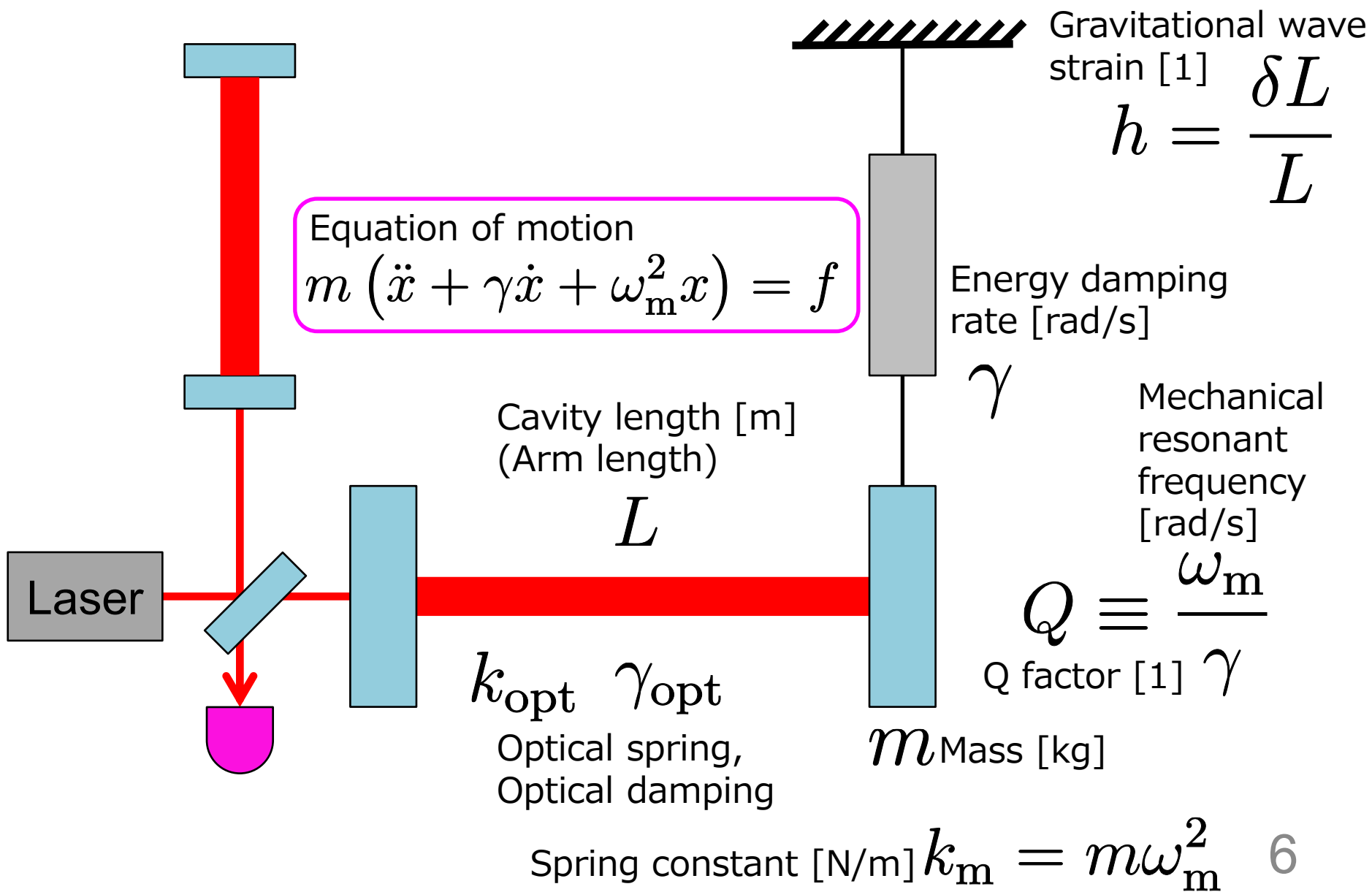
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Plan of the Lecture Today

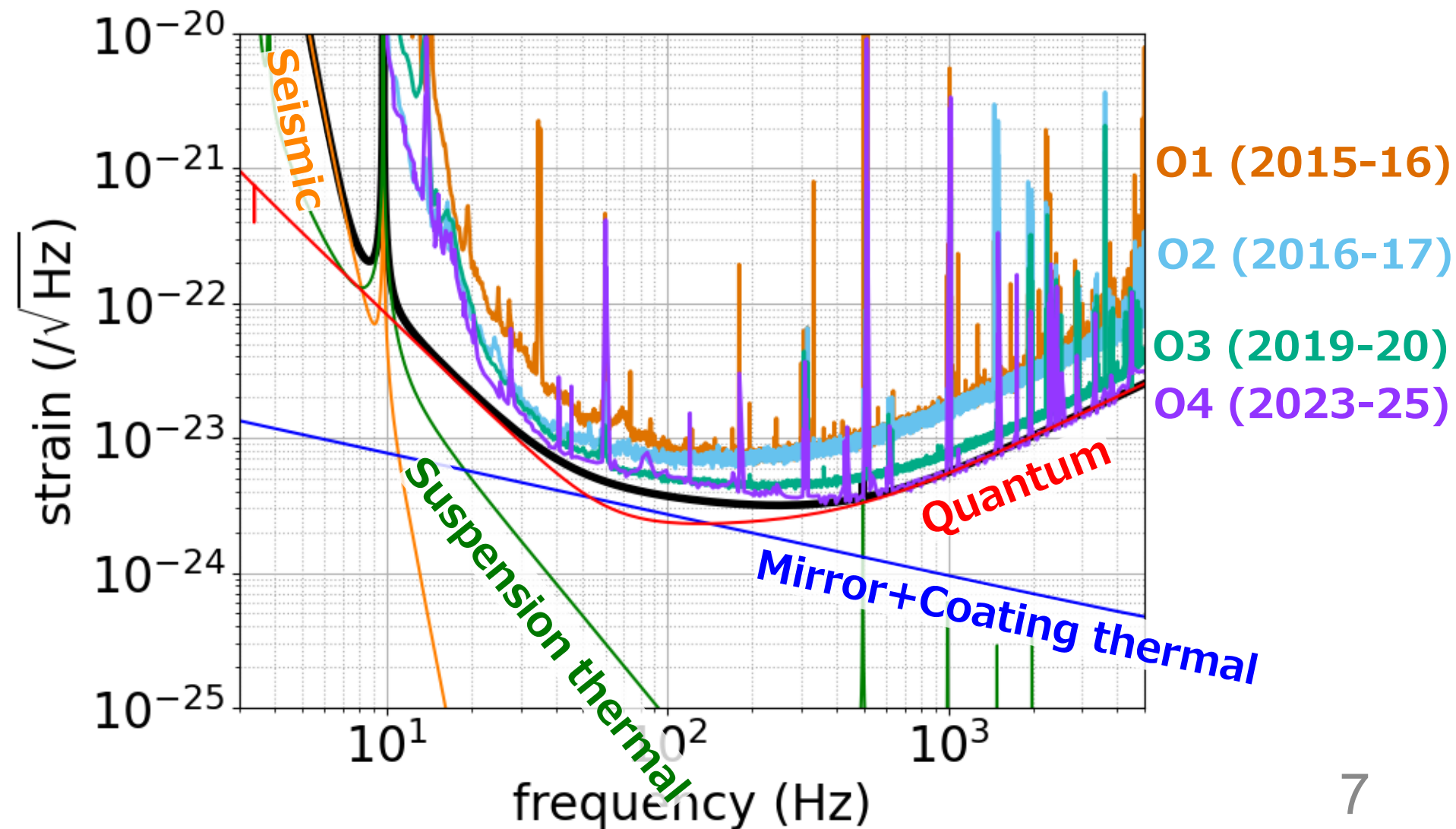
- Seismic noise
- Newtonian noise
- Thermal noise
 - Suspension thermal noise
 - Mirror substrate thermal noise
 - Mirror coating thermal noise
- **Goal:** Understand the mechanism and mitigation schemes for seismic noise, thermal noise and other displacement noises

Note: I have updated the definition of Fourier transformation by 2π in [Lecture 3](#) for better explanation of thermal noise today

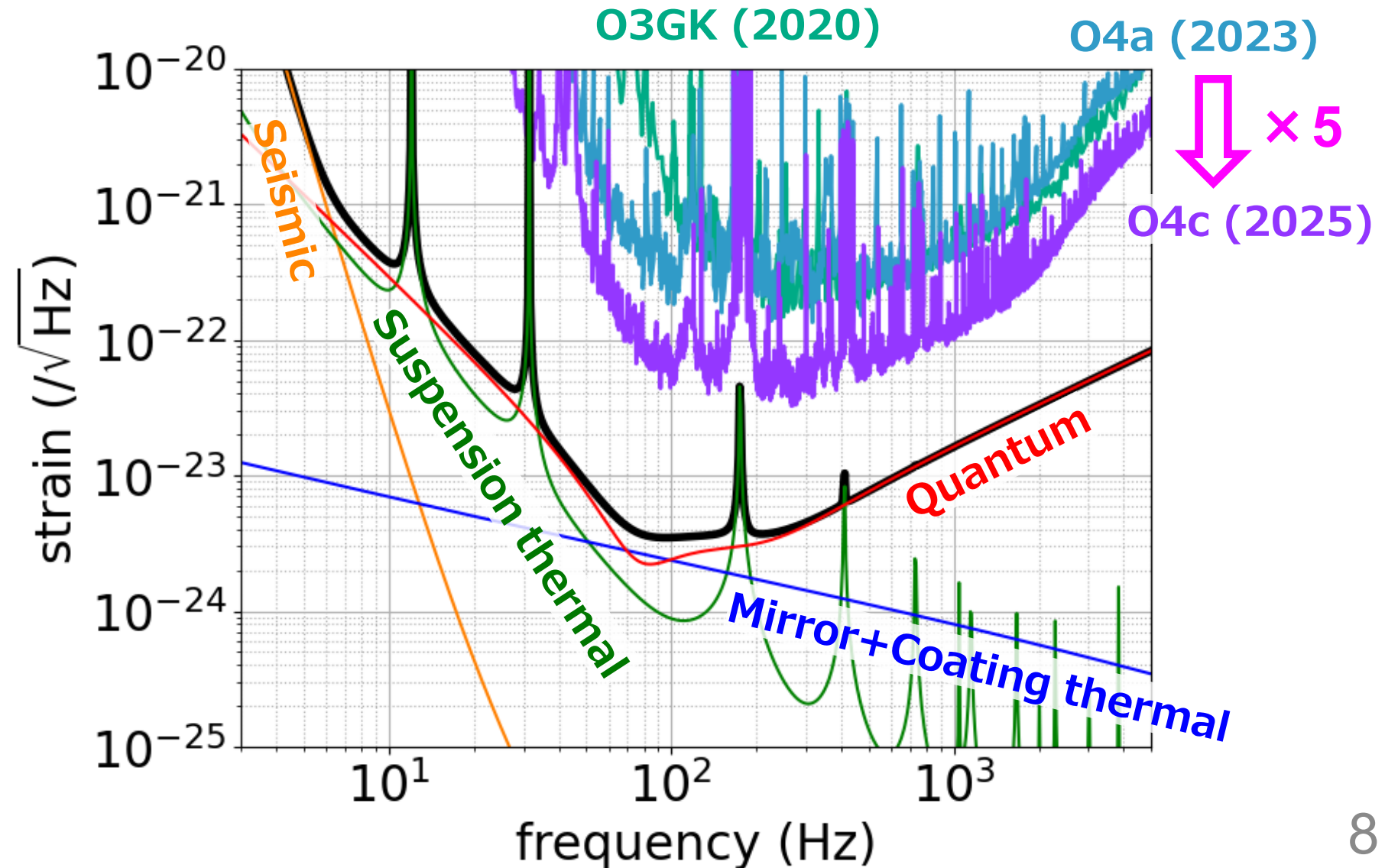
List of Parameters



Advanced LIGO Design



KAGRA Design



Key Points

- **Actual** noise spectrum is much more **complicated** than the design, and so many kinds of noise contributes to the spectrum
- In the design, quantum noise limits the sensitivity in most of the frequency band, but this is only true when **classical displacement noises** are reduced
- This is why we do “**commissioning**”



机上の空論 (きじょうのくうろん)

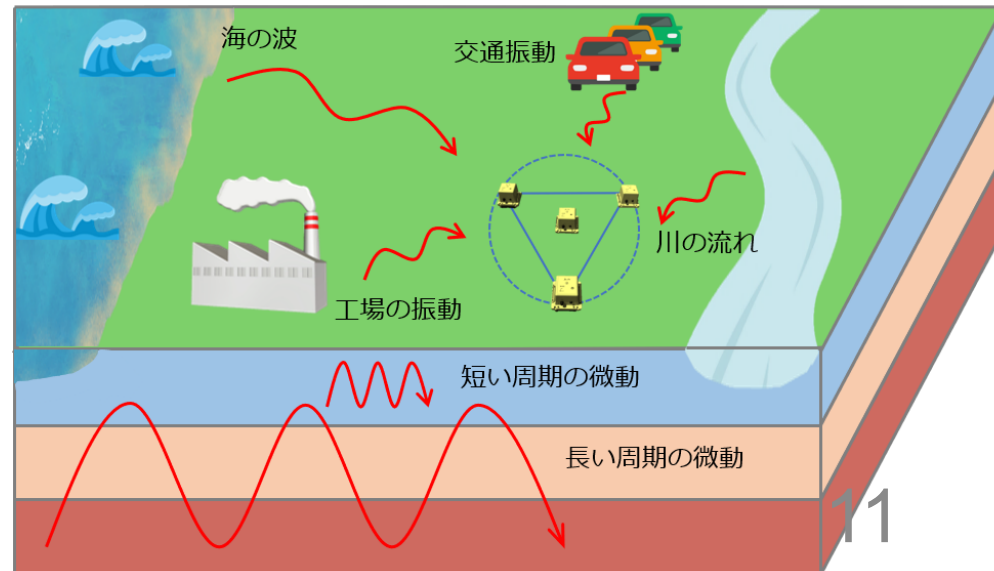
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理論や考えのこと

Kijo no Kuron

Seismic Noise

Seismic Vibration

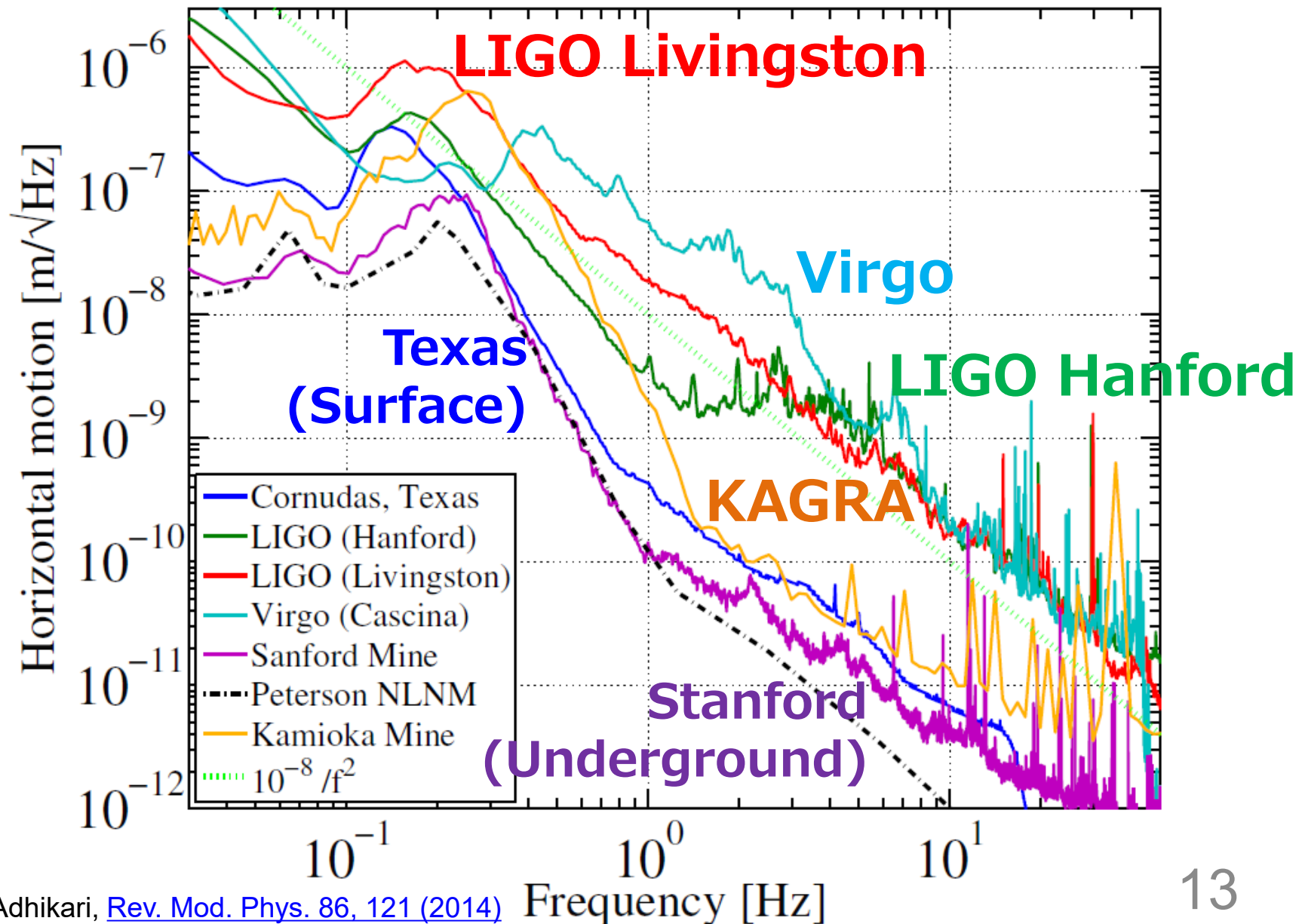
- Ground **always** vibrates even if there are no earthquakes (常時微動, micro-tremor)
- Vibration level differs by
 - day and **night**
 - stormy day and **calm day**
 - urban place and **countryside**
 - surface and **underground**
- **Site selection** is very important for GW detectors



GW Detector Sites



Seismic Vibration Between Sites



Vibration Isolation

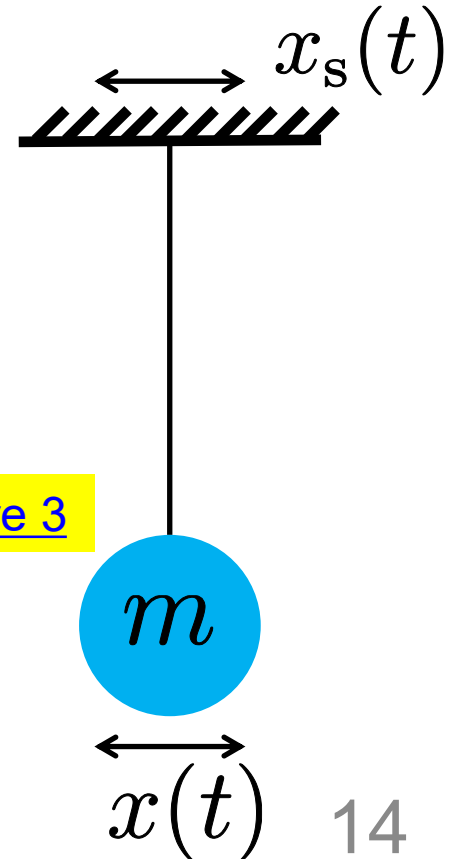
- Typical seismic noise (according to Saulson)

$$x_{\text{seis}}(\omega) = \begin{cases} 10^{-9} \text{ m}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}} & 1\text{-}10 \text{ Hz} \\ 10^{-9} (10 \text{ Hz}/f)^2 \text{ m}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}} & >10 \text{ Hz} \end{cases}$$

- Needs vibration attenuation by ~9 orders of magnitude
- Use **pendulums** to attenuate the ground vibration
 - Low frequency & Multi-stage

$$H_s(\omega) = \frac{\omega_m^2}{\omega_m^2 - \omega^2 + i \frac{\omega \omega_m}{Q}}$$

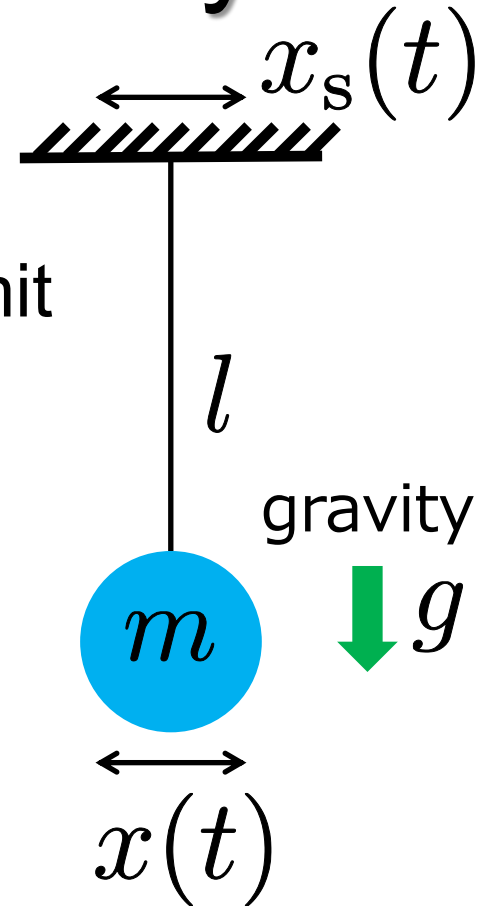
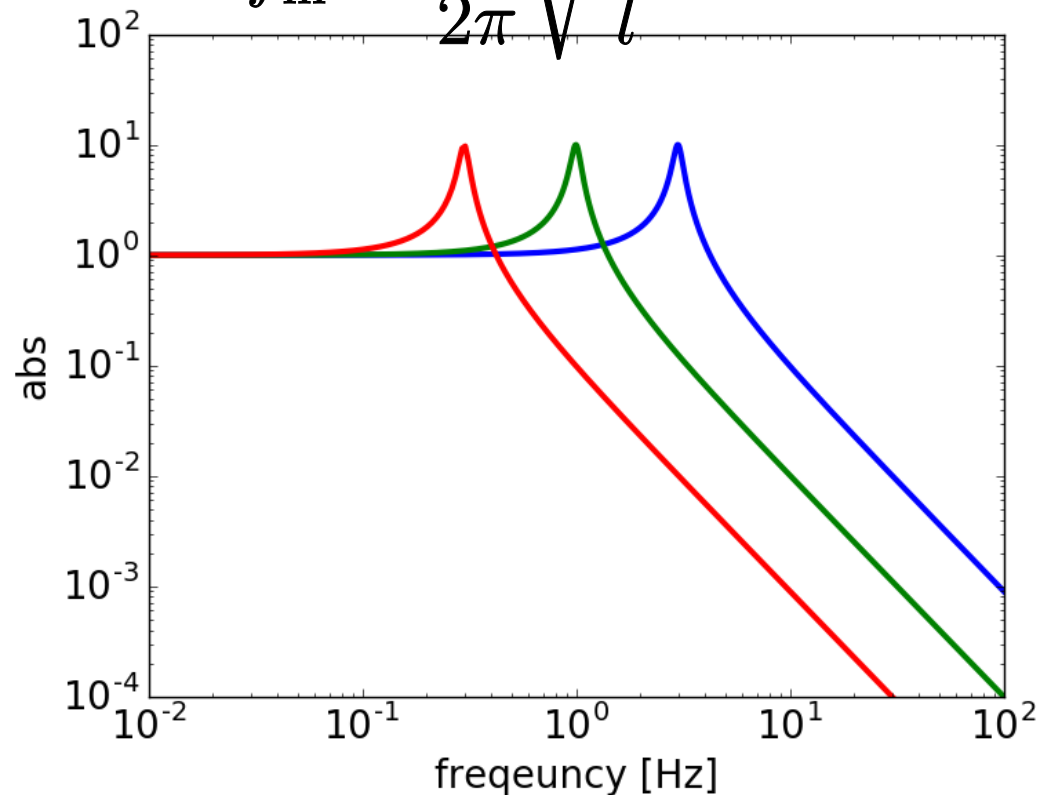
Recall [Lecture 3](#)



Lower Resonant Frequency

- Better vibration isolation with a lower resonant frequency
- But on Earth, $l \sim 1$ m is a rough limit

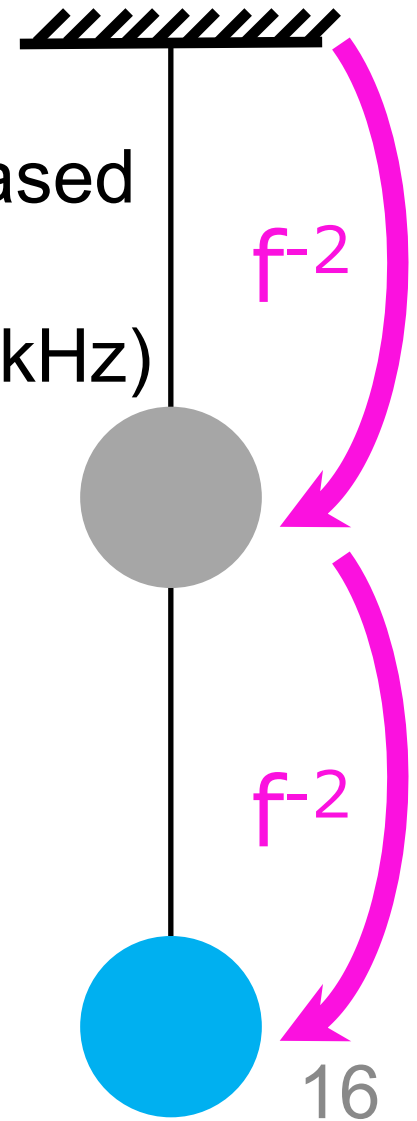
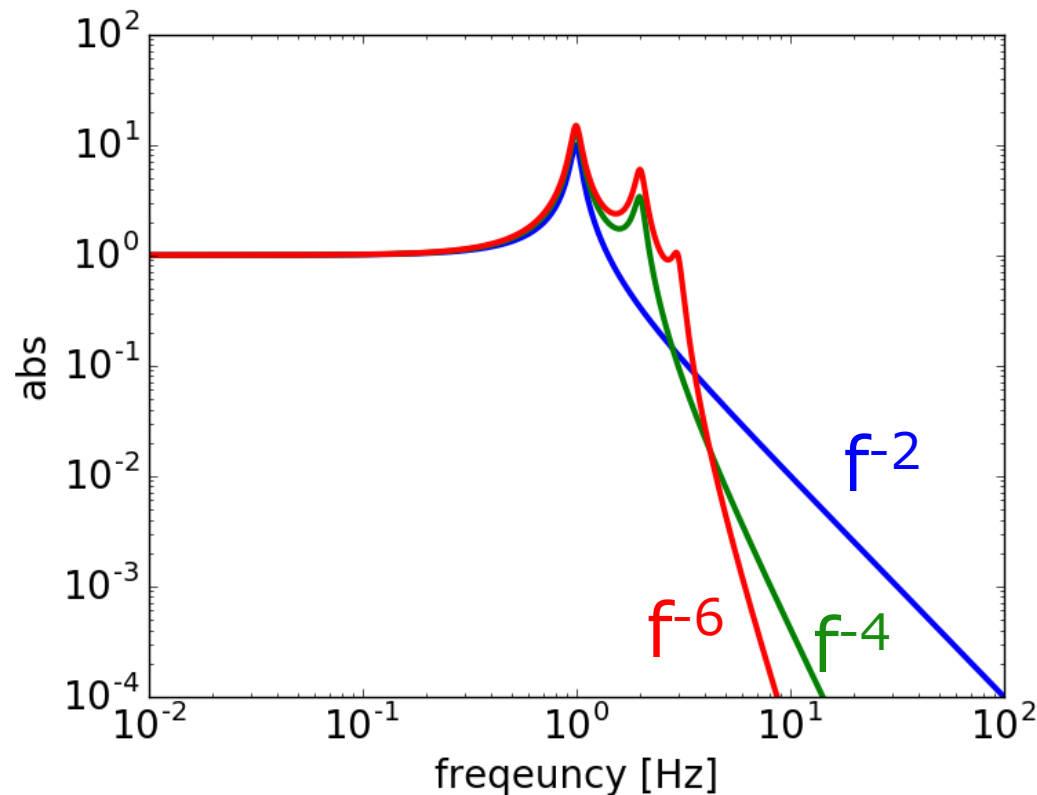
$$f_m = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{g}{l}} \simeq 0.5 \text{ Hz}$$



Multi-Stage Vibration Isolation

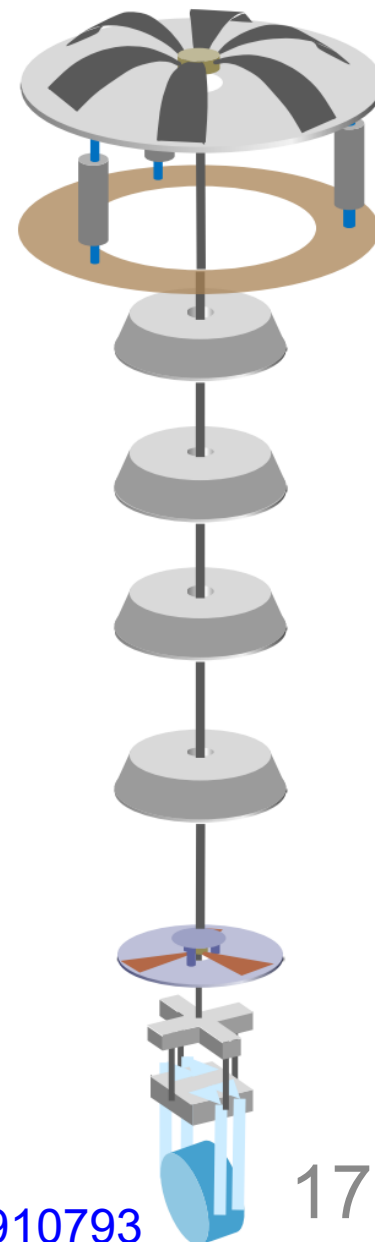
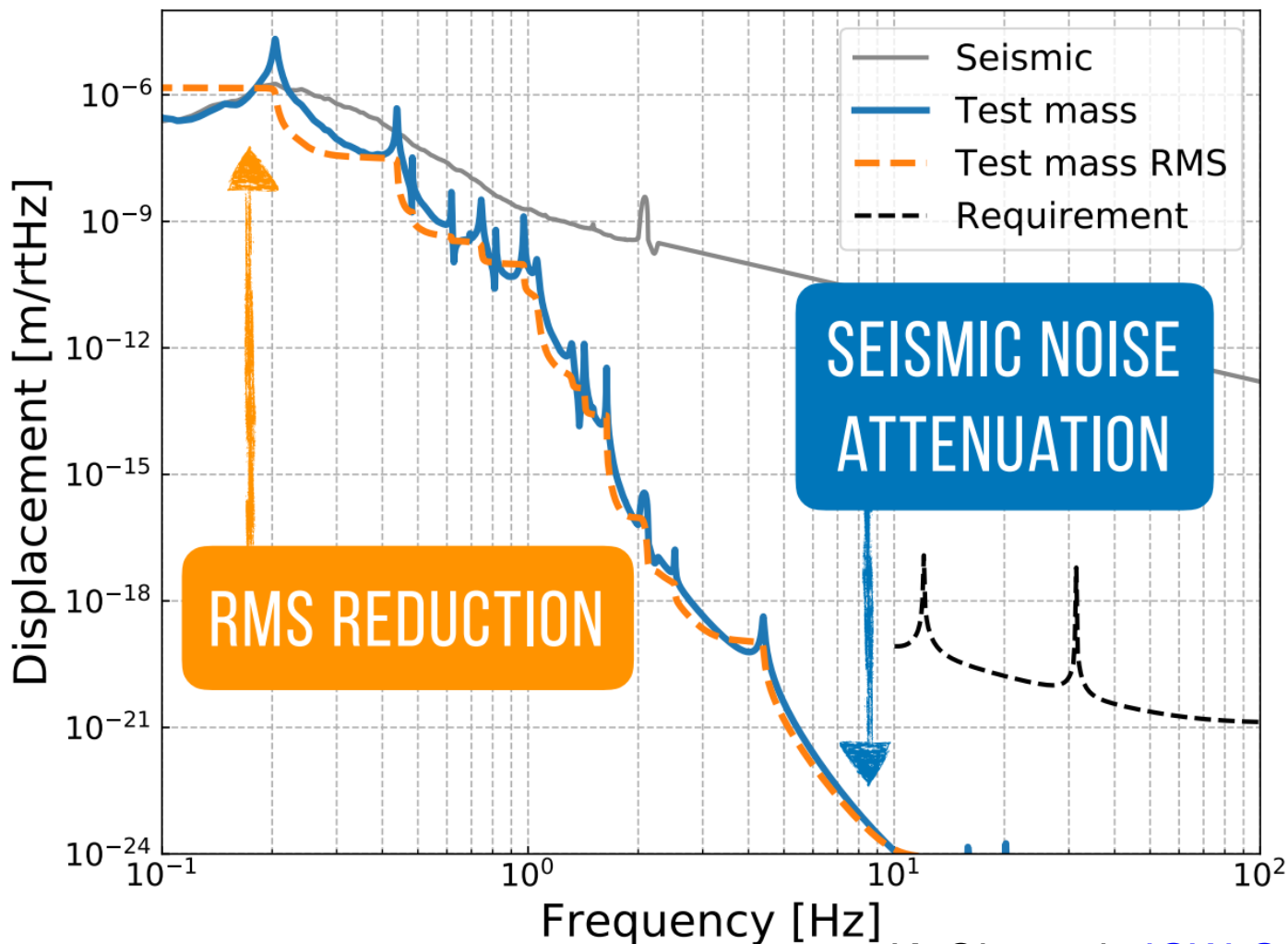
- Multi-stage pendulum for better isolation at higher frequencies
- Good vibration isolation for ground-based gravitational-wave detector band

(10 Hz ~ 1 kHz)



KAGRA Vibration Isolation

- 13.5 m tall, 9-stage pendulum
including inverted pendulum on top



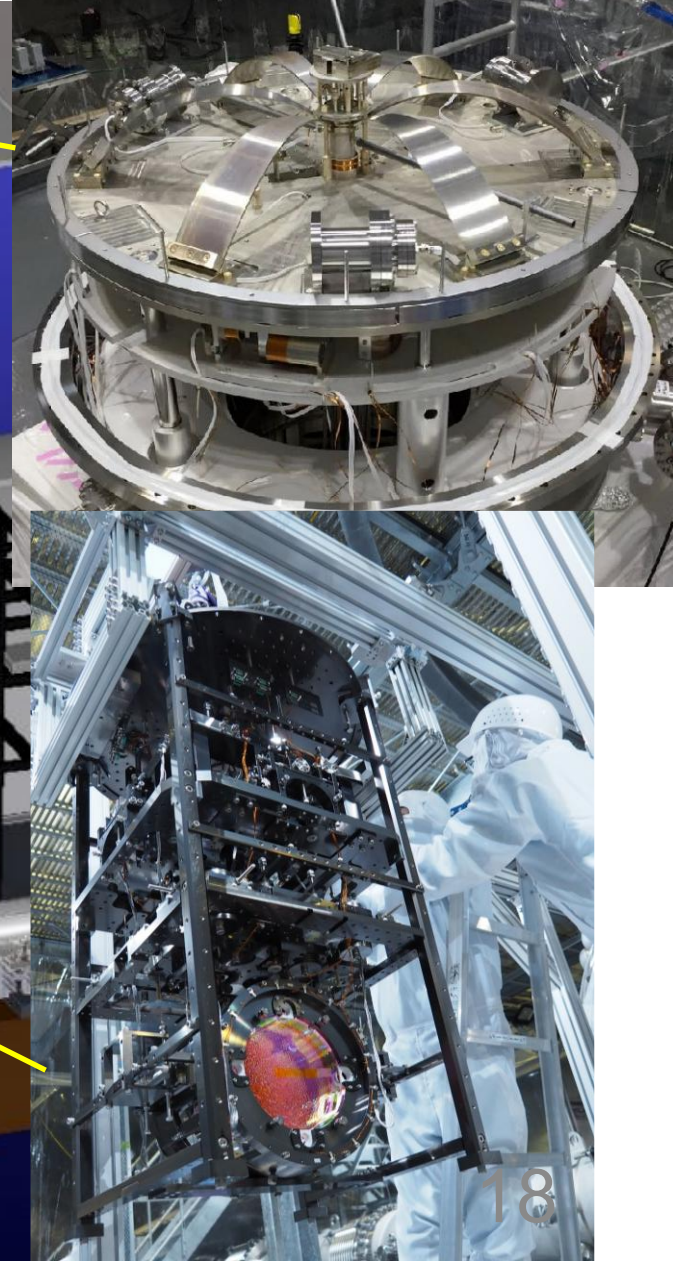
KAGRA Vibration Isolation



Type-B (BS)



Type-A (TM)



Low Frequency Vibration Isolation

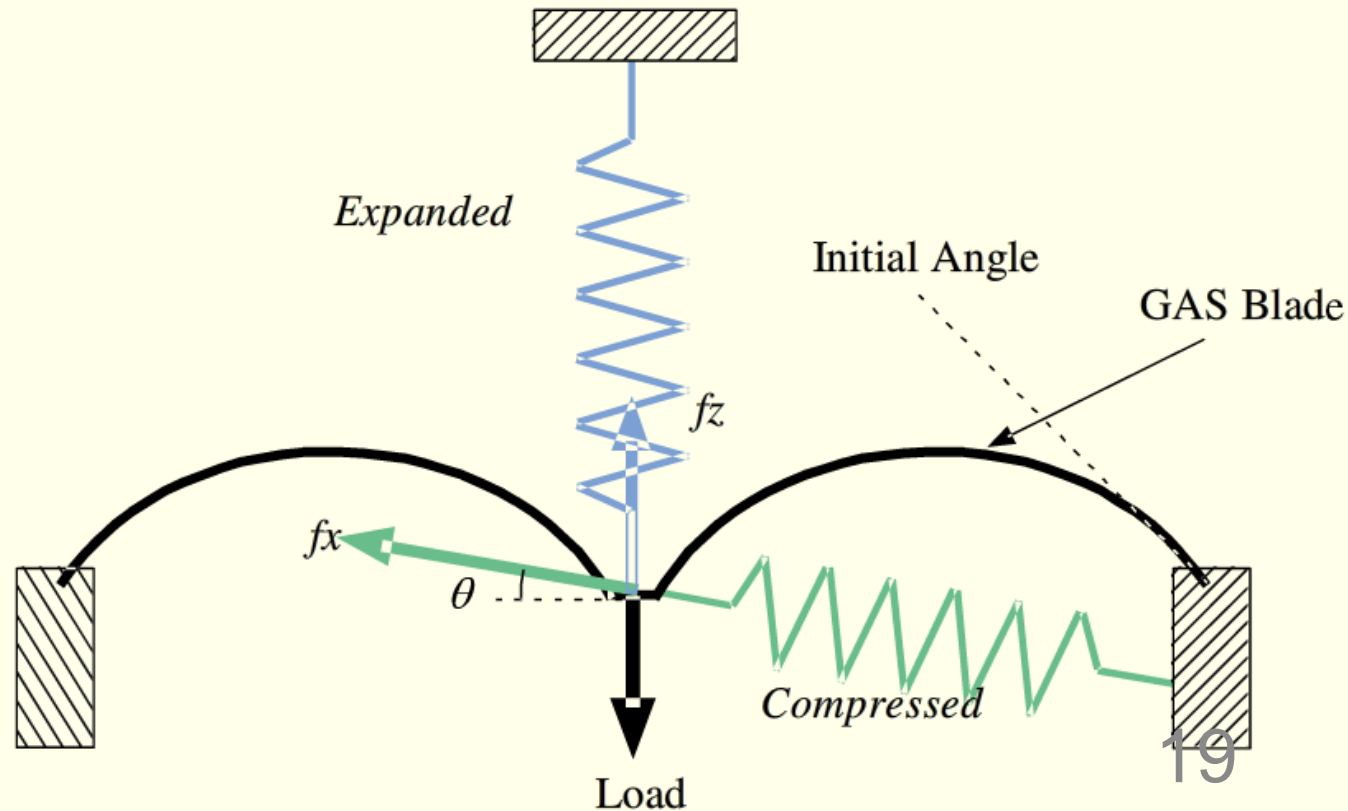
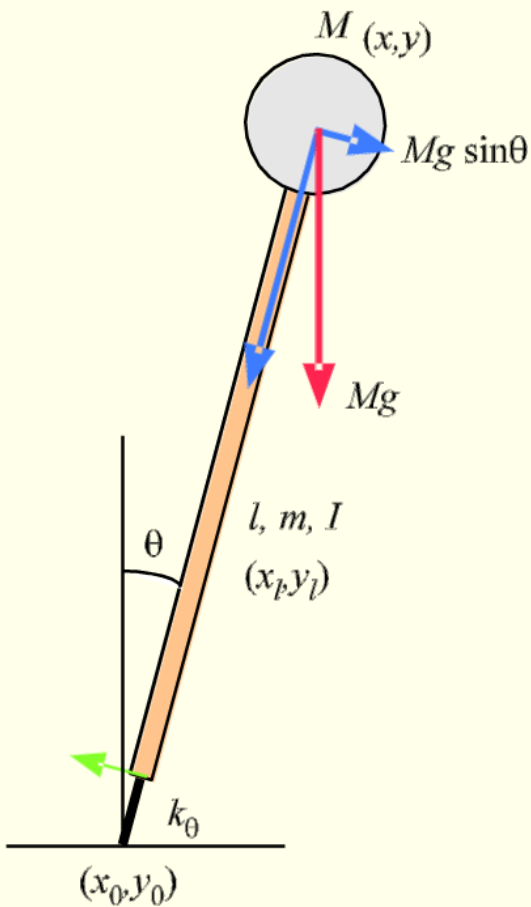
- Anti-springs are used for making resonant frequency low

$$f_m = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{g}{l}}$$

~0.5 Hz for pendulums

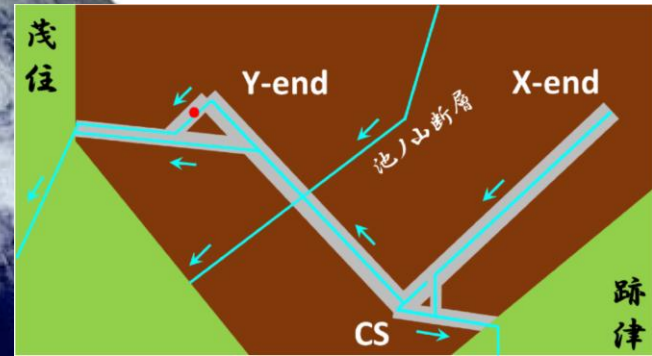
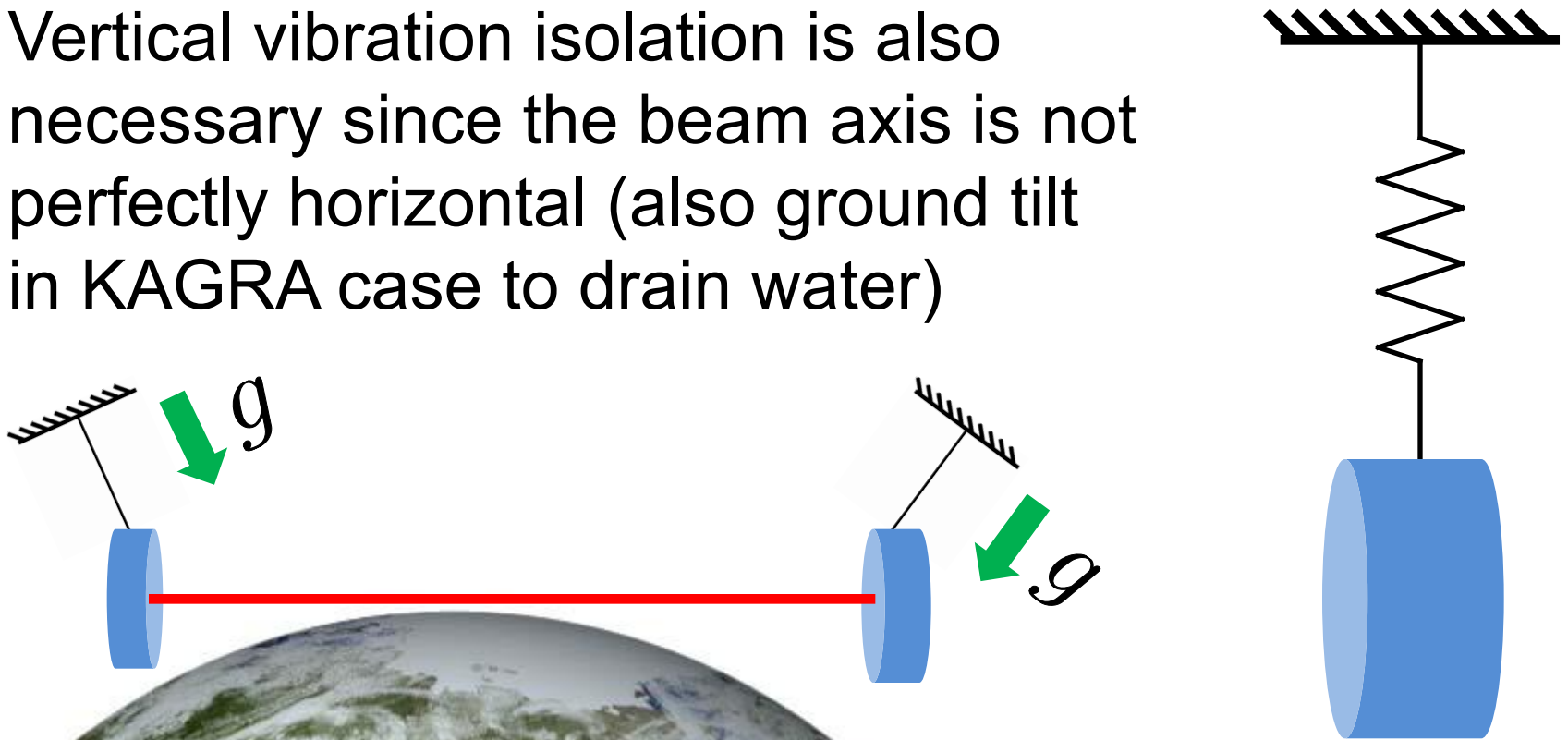
Inverted pendulum

Geometric-Anti-Spring filter



Vertical Vibration Isolation

- Vertical vibration isolation is also necessary since the beam axis is not perfectly horizontal (also ground tilt in KAGRA case to drain water)

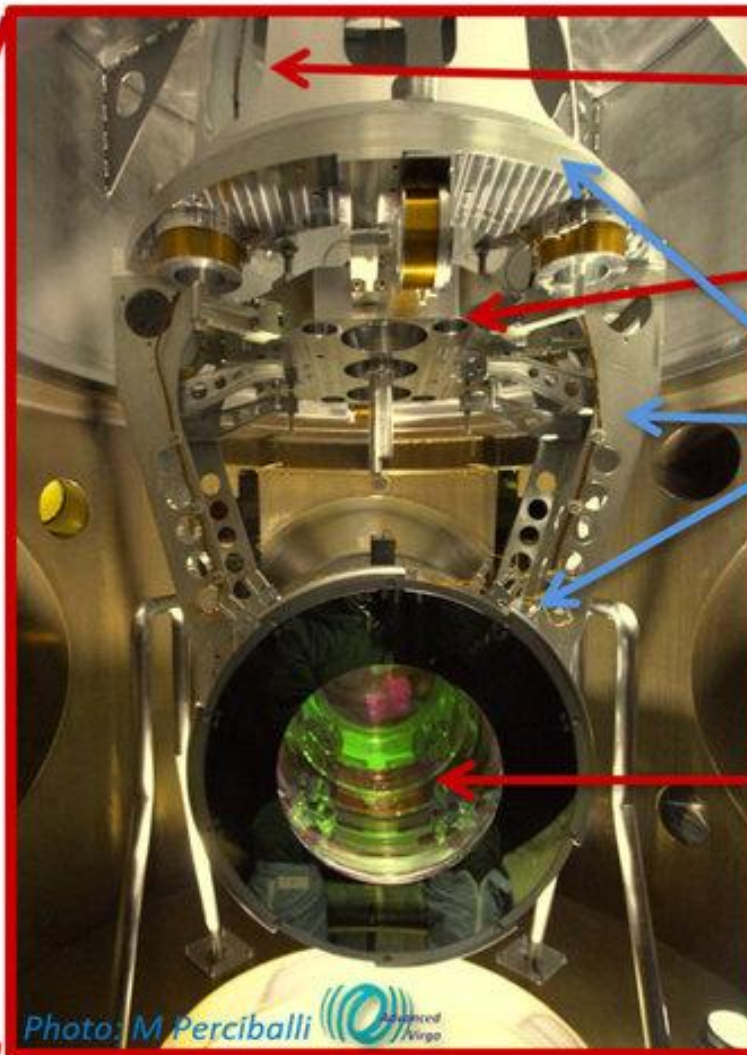
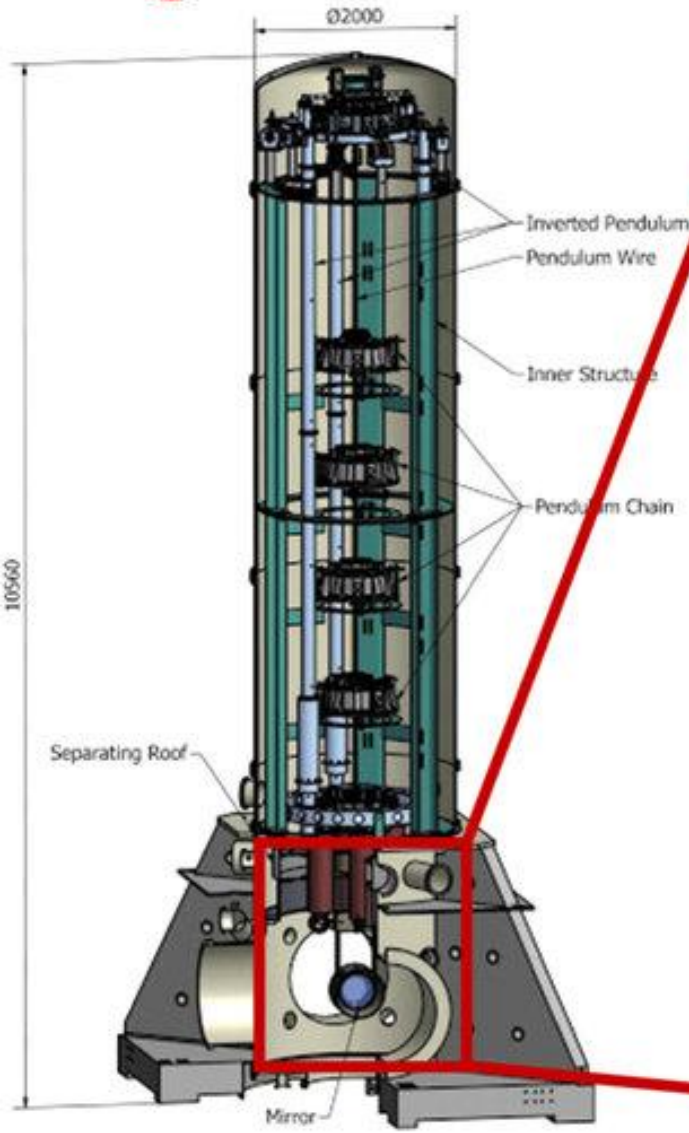


Virgo Superattenuator

Superattenuator

Payload

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**Interface to
steering filter**

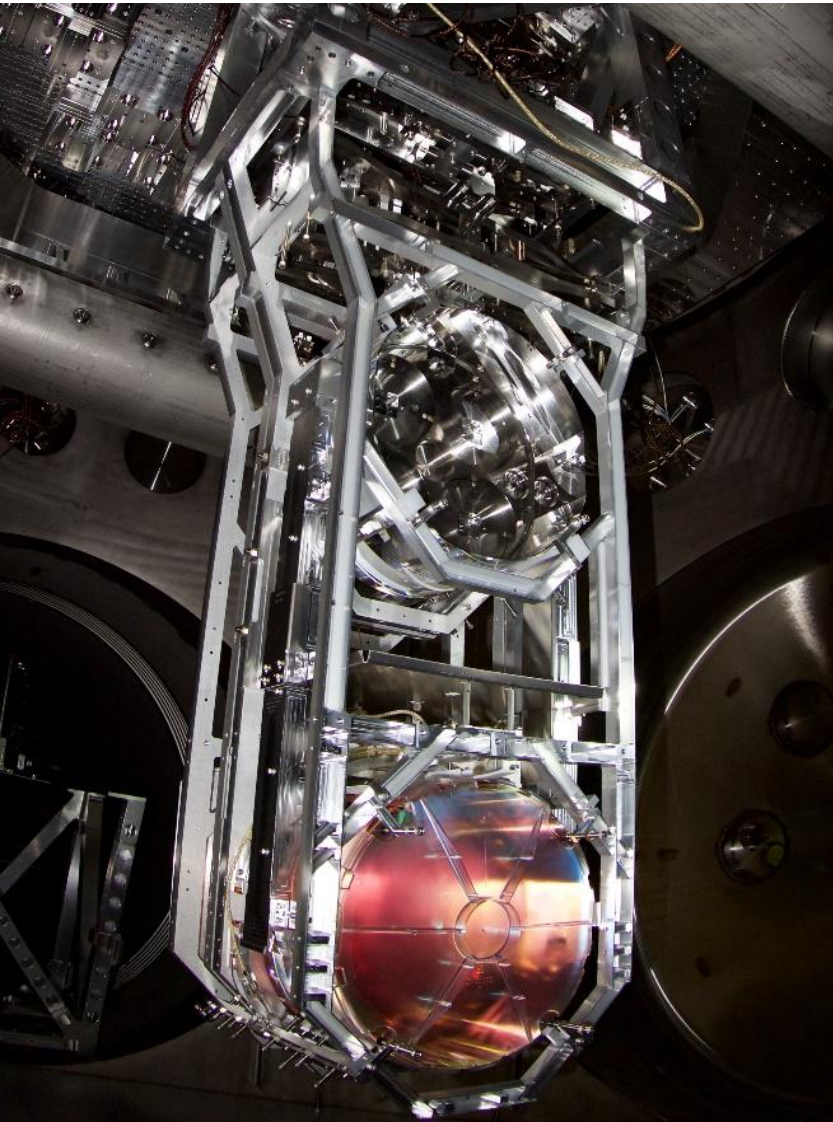
Marionette

**Actuation
Cage**

**Test Mass
Mirror**

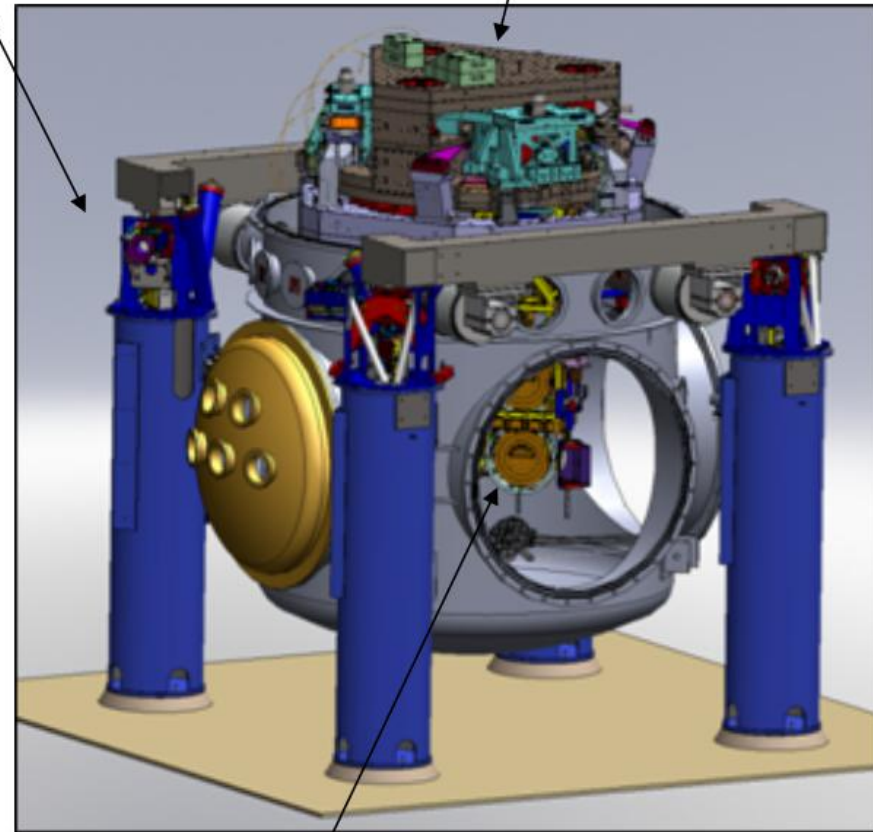
LIGO Quads & Active Isolation

Advanced LIGO



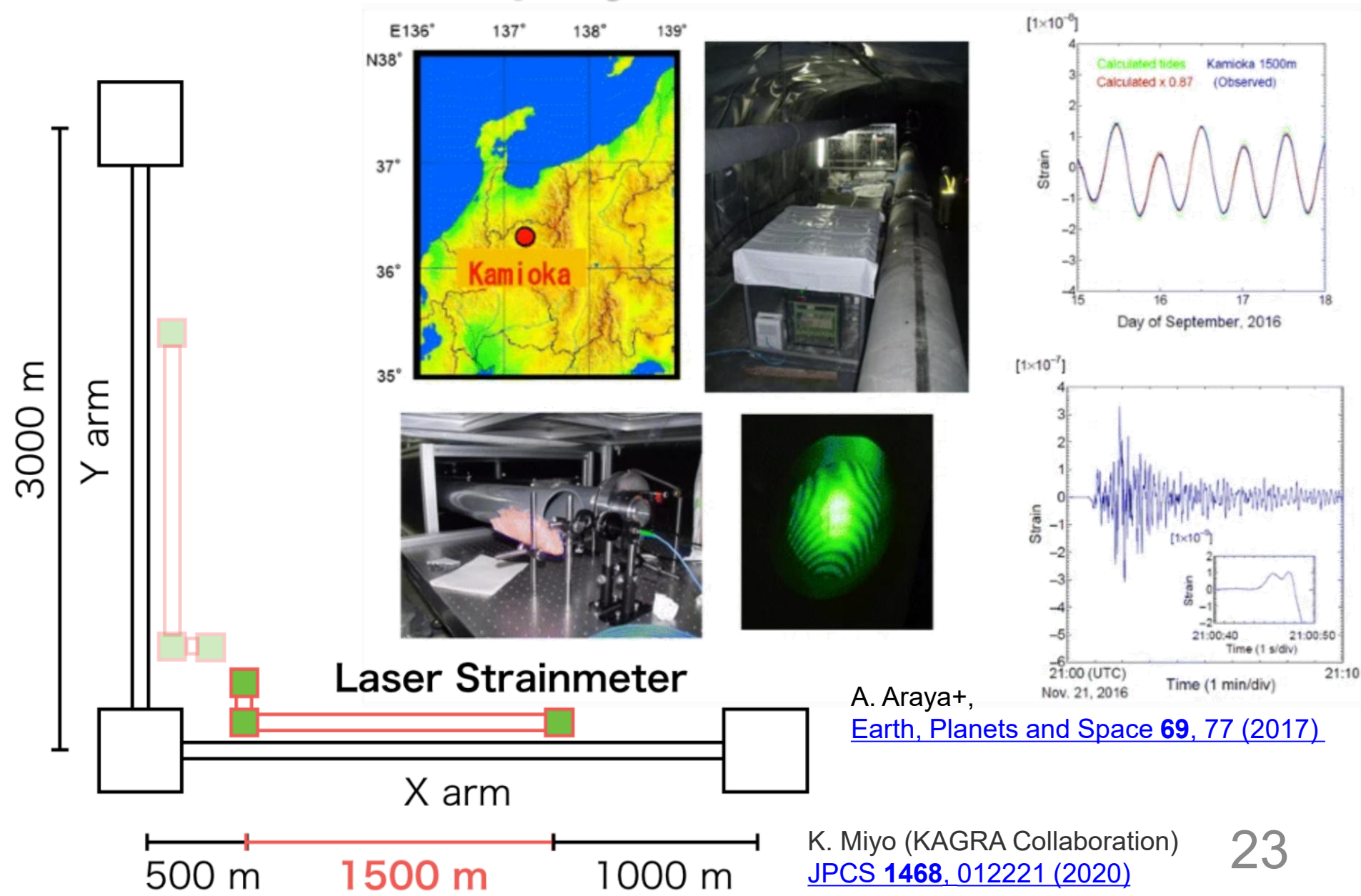
hydraulic external pre-isolator (HEPI) (one stage of isolation)

active isolation platform (2 stages of isolation)



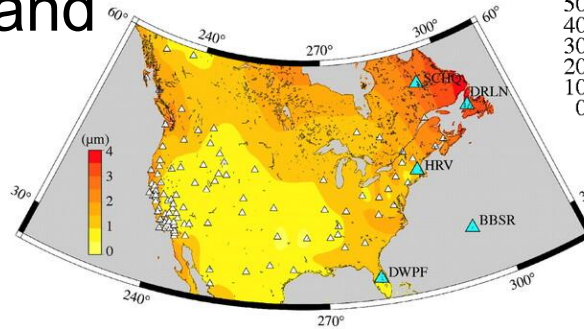
quadruple pendulum (four stages of isolation) with monolithic silica final stage

KAGRA Geophysics Interferometer



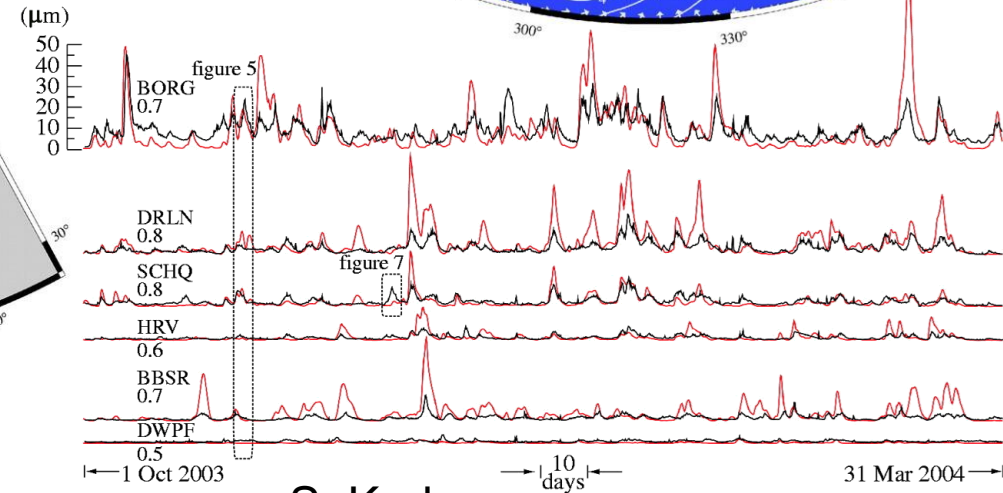
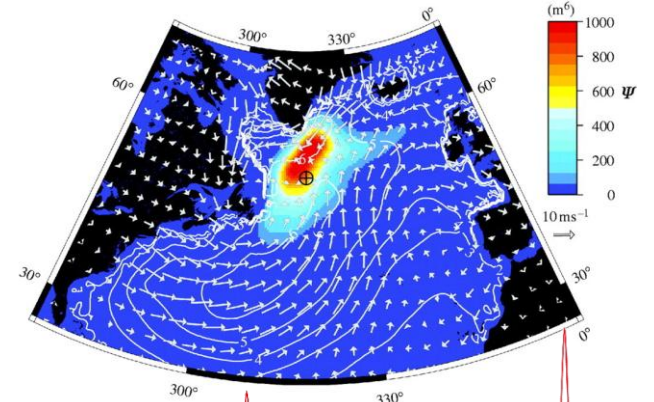
Seismic Forecast

- Microseism at Livingston is affected by weather in Greenland



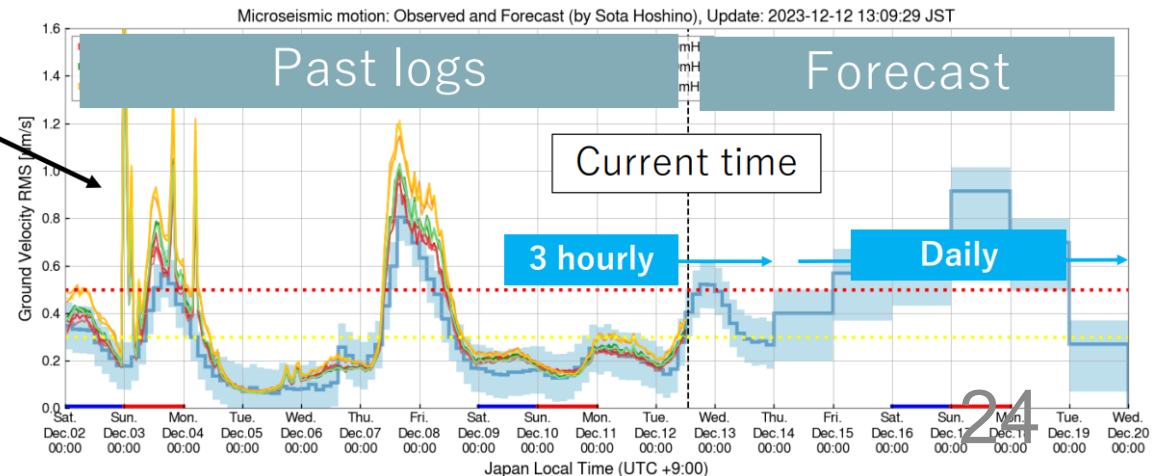
- Microseism level at KAGRA can be predicted from ocean wave data forecast

Principal Component Analysis
S. Hoshino+,
[PTEP 2024, 103F01 \(2024\)](#)
[JGW-G2315480](#)



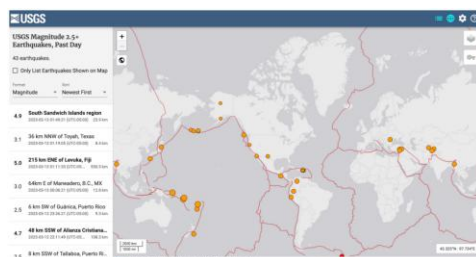
S. Kedar+,
[Proc. R. Soc. A. 464, 777 \(2008\)](#)

Earthquake



Protection from Seismic

- LIGO: SEISMON + Picket Fense
 - Switch suspension control modes based on seismic data around the detector (low noise mode or robust mode)



E. Bonilla+, [LIGO-G2300553](#)

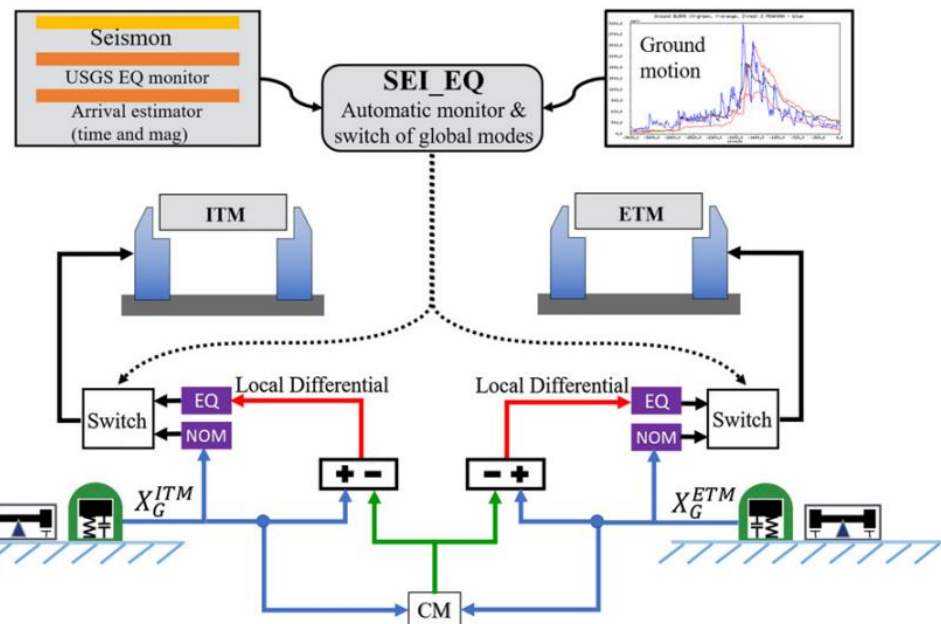
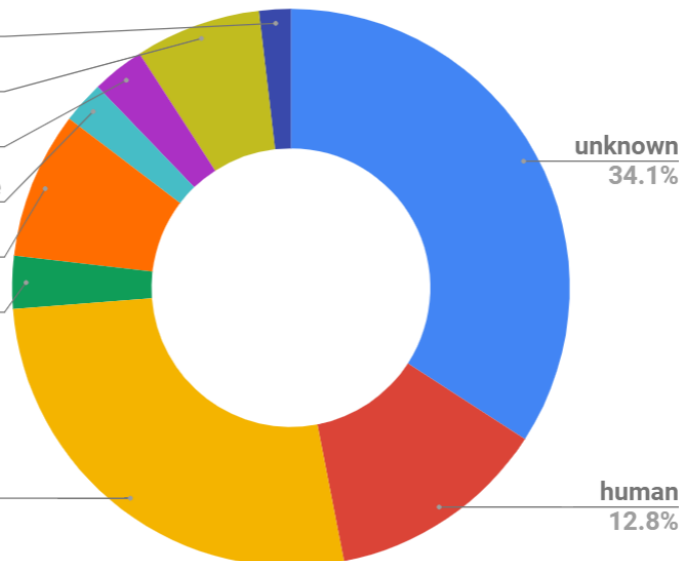
E Schwartz+, [CQG 37, 235007 \(2020\)](#)

Count of classification

Facilities

1.8%
CDS - electronics
7.3%
SEI - wind
3.0%
CDS - power outage
2.4%
SEI - anthro
8.5%
SEI - useism
3.0%

SEI - eq
26.8%



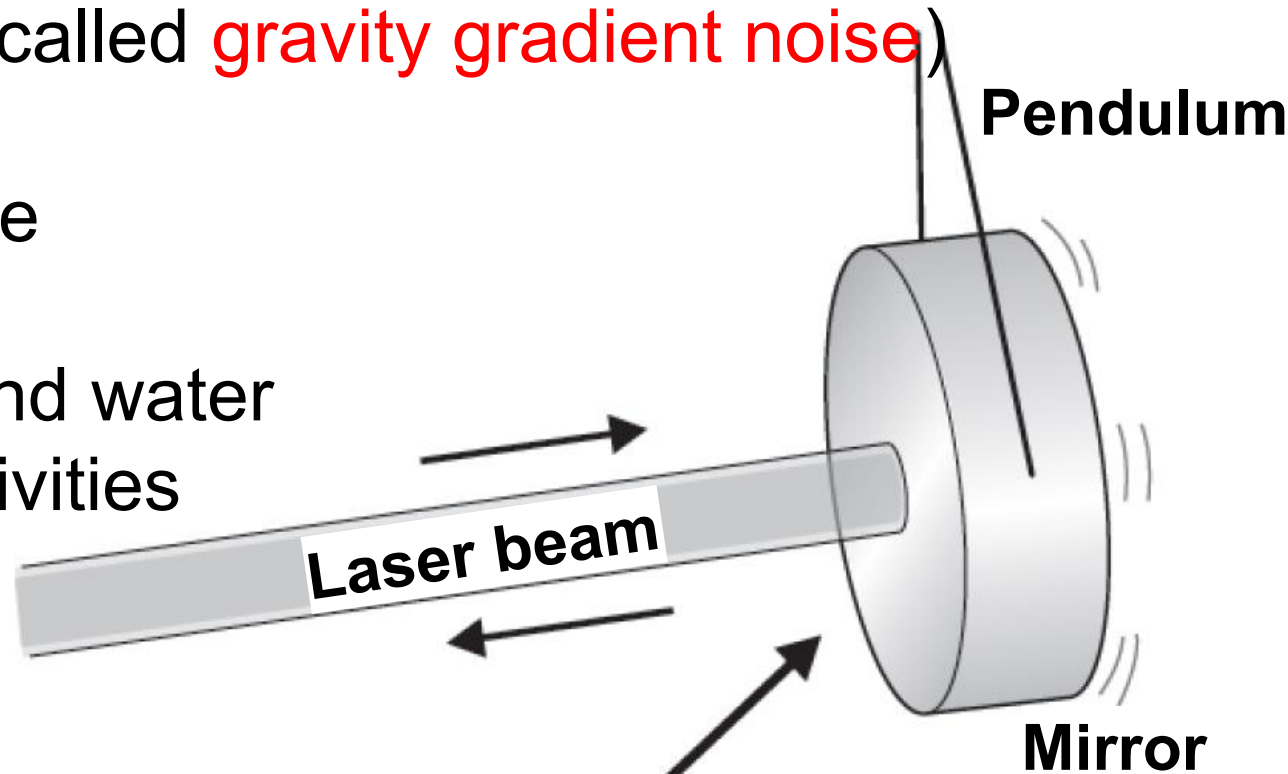
- Useful to improve duty factor

Newtonian Noise

Newtonian Noise

- Newtonian gravitational force fluctuations on mirrors (also called **gravity gradient noise**)

- ground
- atmosphere
- sea waves
- underground water
- human activities

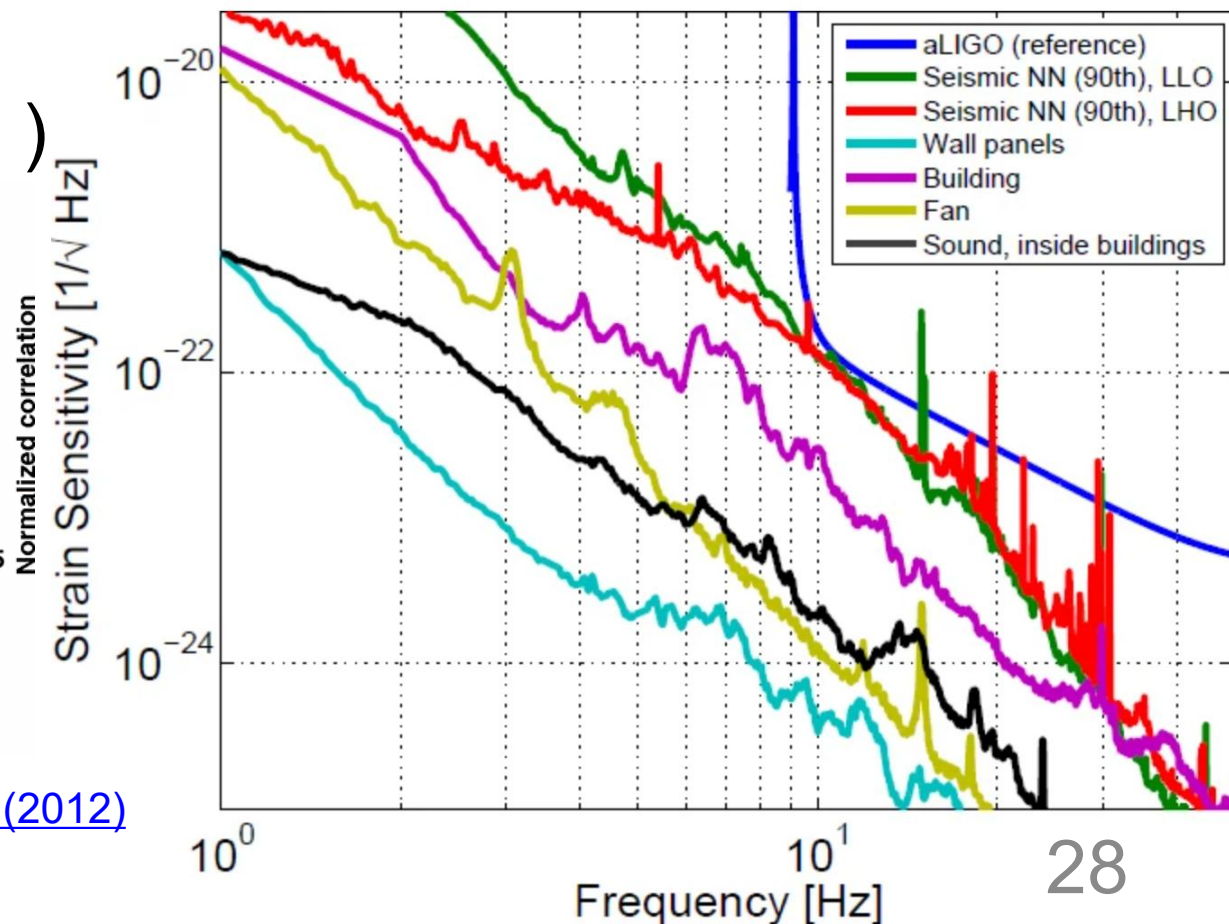
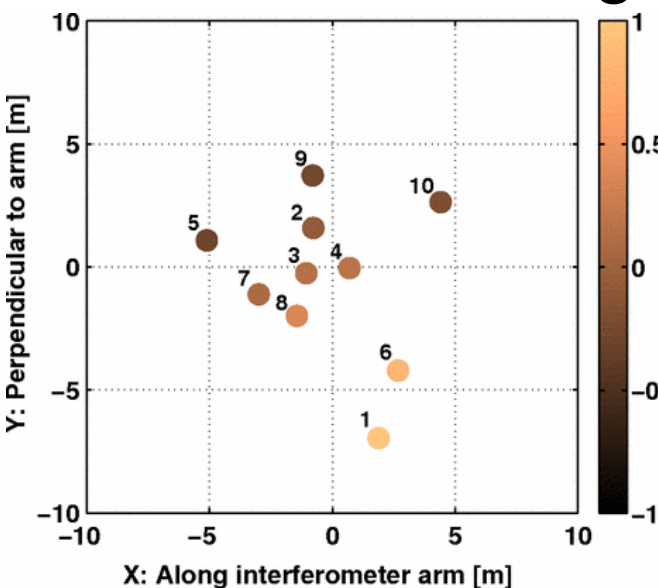


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『重力波とはなにか』
安東正樹著

Ground vibration

Estimation and Cancellation

- Estimations say they could contribute to sensitivity, especially for next generation detectors
- Could be subtracted with, e.g, seismometer array (but acoustic could be tough)

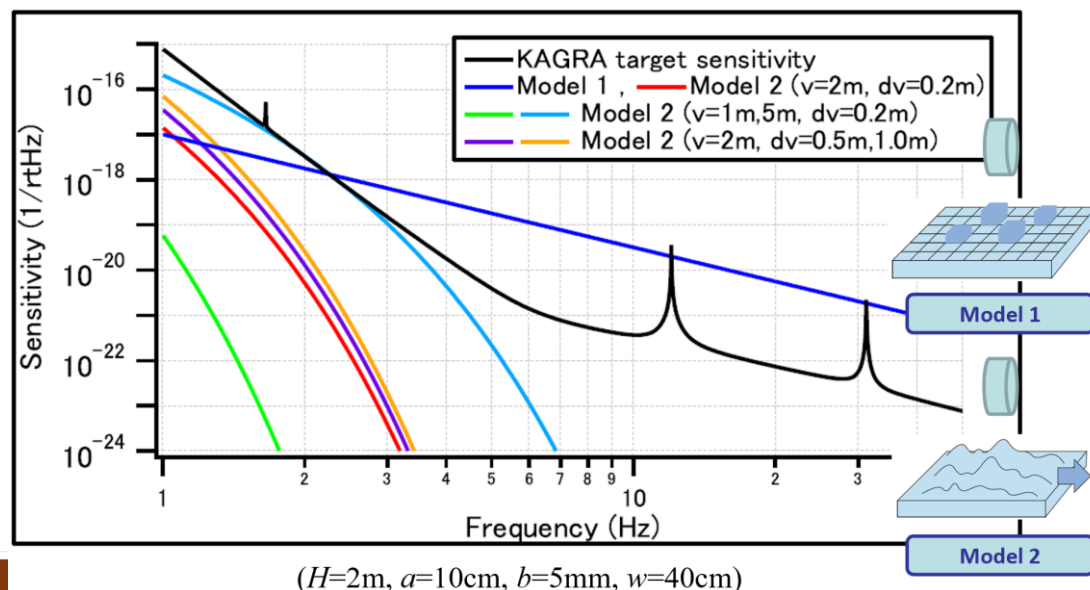


J. C. Driggers+, [PRD 86, 102001 \(2012\)](#)

J. Harms, [LLR 18, 3 \(2015\)](#)

Water Newtonian Noise

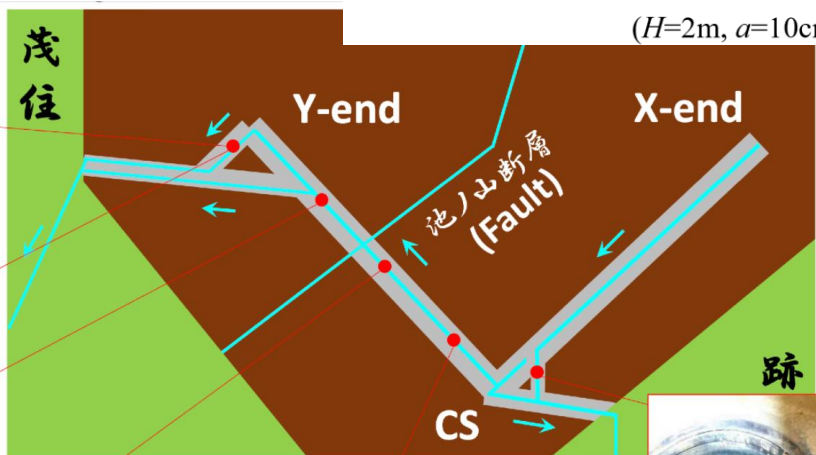
- Flow of underground water could be bad



($H=2\text{m}$, $a=10\text{cm}$, $b=5\text{mm}$, $w=40\text{cm}$)

K. Somiya,
[JGW-G1910792](https://arxiv.org/abs/JGW-G1910792)

T. Yokozawa,
[JGW-G2415673](https://arxiv.org/abs/JGW-G2415673)



Underground GW Detector

- **Underground** site gives lower seismic noise and lower Newtonian noise
- **KAGRA** is the first km-scale underground detector
- Future GW project **Einstein Telescope** also considers using underground site

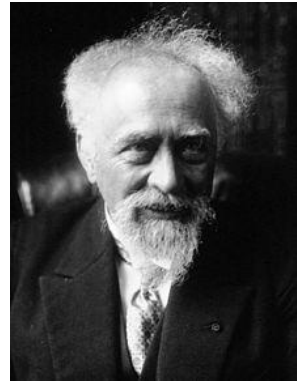
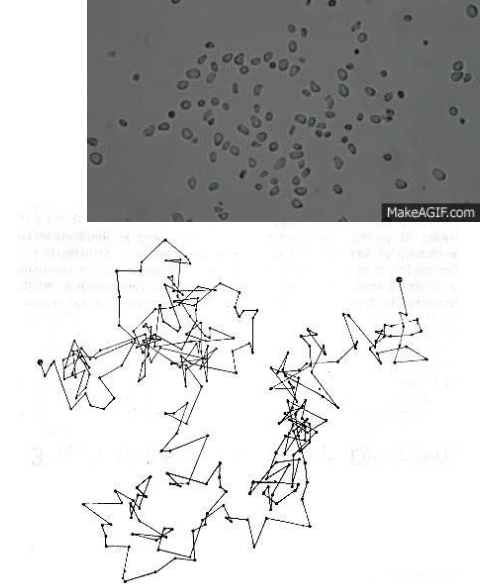


**KAGRA site
(March 2014)**

Suspension Thermal Noise

Brownian Motion

- 1827 Robert Brown
Discovered random motion of pollen grains in water
- 1905 Albert Einstein
Molecular-Kinetic Theory
→ Quantitative calculations on the movement of small particles in a liquid (Ph. D. Thesis)
- 1908 Jean Perrin
Experimental verification using colloid liquid
- Lead to proof for existence of atoms, statistical physics



Johnson-Nyquist Noise

- 1926 John B. Johnson
Observed **voltage fluctuation**
across a resistor
- 1928 Harry Nyquist

$$\overline{V_n^2} = 4k_B T R \Delta f$$

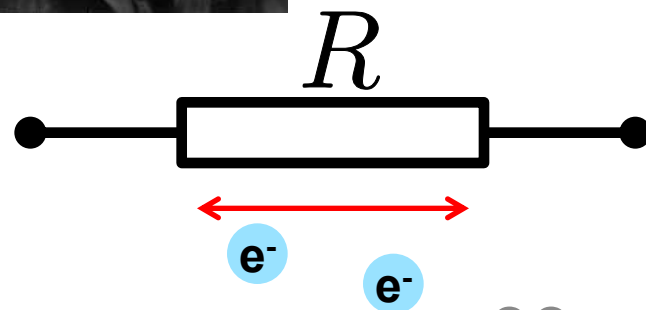
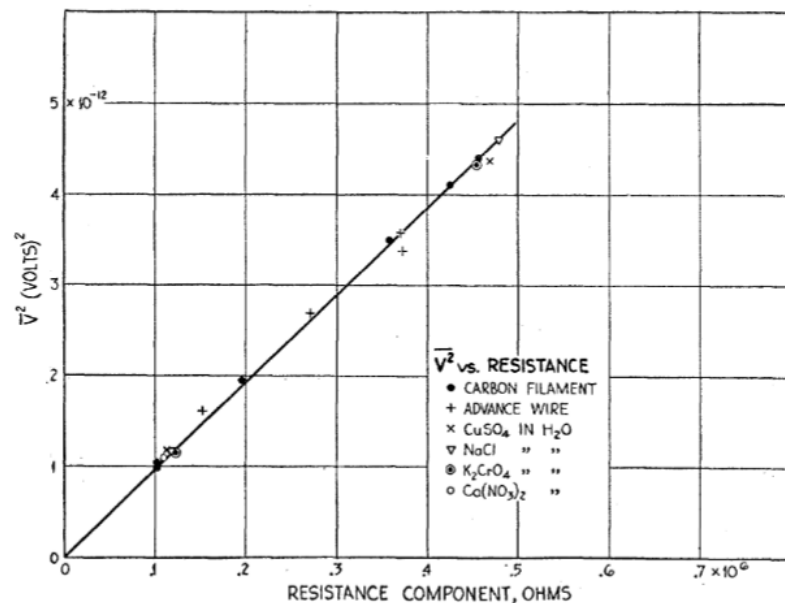
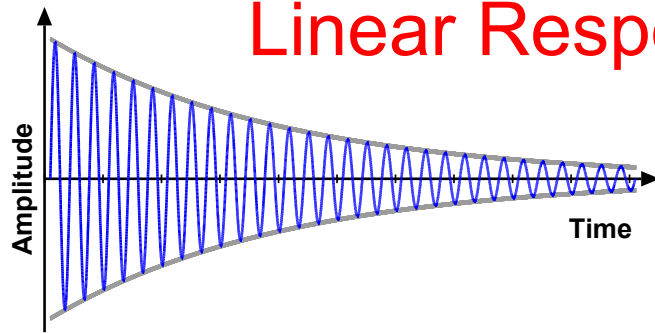


Fig. 4. Voltage-squared vs. resistance component for various kinds of conductors.

Generalization of Brownian Motion

- 1951 Herbert B. Callen and Theodore A. Welton
Fluctuation-Dissipation Theorem
- 1957- Expanded by Ryogo Kubo
Linear Response Theory



System

Energy dissipation



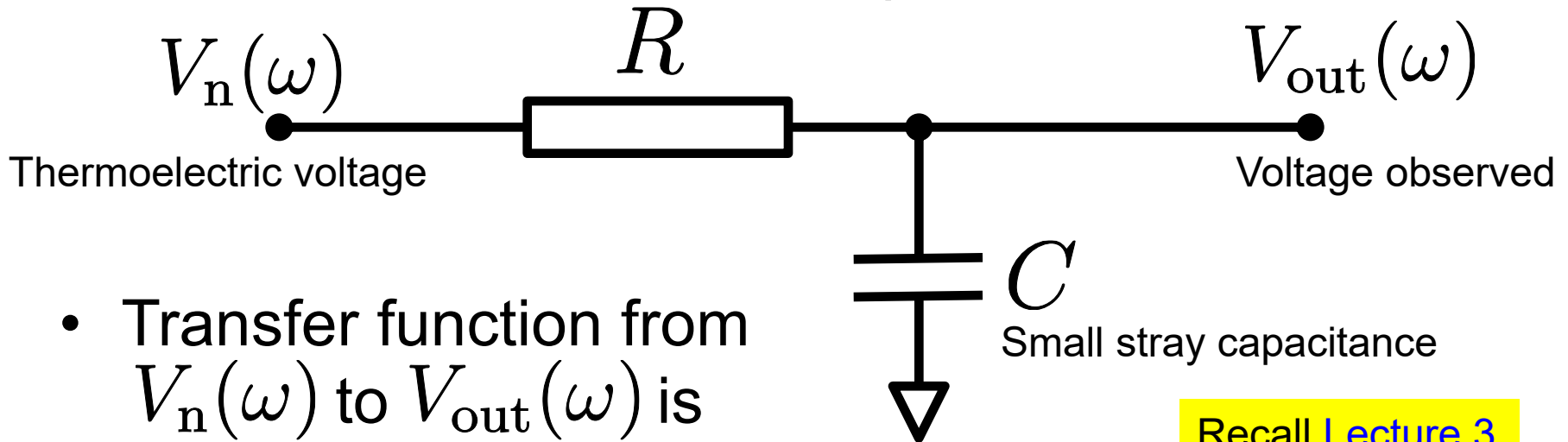
Thermal
bath
 T

Thermal
fluctuating force



Johnson-Nyquist Noise Derivation

- Resistance with a small capacitance (Low pass filter)



- Transfer function from $V_n(\omega)$ to $V_{out}(\omega)$ is

$$H(\omega) = \frac{1}{1 + i\omega RC}$$

Recall [Lecture 3](#)

- Assume that thermoelectric voltage is a **white noise**

$$S_{V_n}(\omega) = D$$

Two-sided power spectral density of V_n

Johnson-Nyquist Noise Derivation

- Observed voltage fluctuations will be

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{V_{\text{out}}^2(t)} &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_{V_{\text{out}}}(\omega) d\omega \quad \text{Parseval's theorem} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |H(\omega)|^2 S_{V_n}(\omega) d\omega \quad \text{Linear response} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{D}{1 + (\omega CR)^2} d\omega \\ &= \frac{D}{2CR}\end{aligned}$$

- From **equipartition of energy** $\frac{1}{2} C \overline{V_{\text{out}}^2(t)} = \frac{1}{2} k_B T$
- Therefore

$$S_{V_n}(\omega) = D = 2k_B T R$$

Johnson-Nyquist Noise Derivation

- Usually, we use two-sided power spectral density

$$S_{V_n}(\omega) = 2k_B T R \quad \text{Two-sided power spectral density}$$

$$G_{V_n}(f) = 4k_B T R \quad \text{One-sided power spectral density}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{V_n^2(t)} &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_{V_n}(\omega) d\omega \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} G_{V_n}(f) df \end{aligned}$$

- For limited bandwidth Δf

$$\overline{V_n^2} = 4k_B T R \Delta f \quad \text{Johnson-Nyquist noise}$$

Brownian Noise of Oscillators

- Transfer function from force to displacement is

Recall [Lecture 3](#)

$$\chi(\omega) = \frac{1}{m} \frac{1}{\omega_m^2 - \omega^2 + i \frac{\omega \omega_m}{Q}}$$

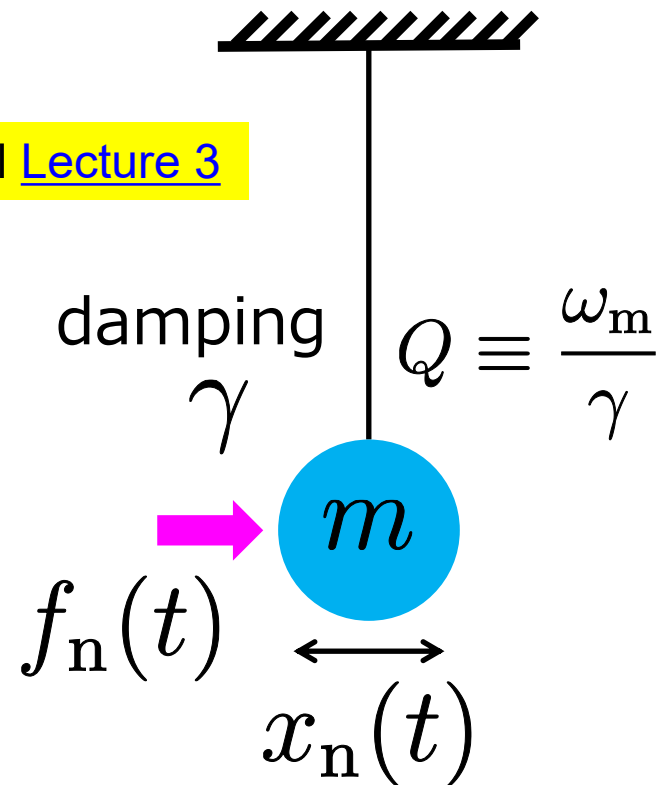
Susceptibility
(感受率)

- Assume thermal fluctuation force is a **white noise**

$$S_{f_n}(\omega) = D$$

- From **equipartition of energy**

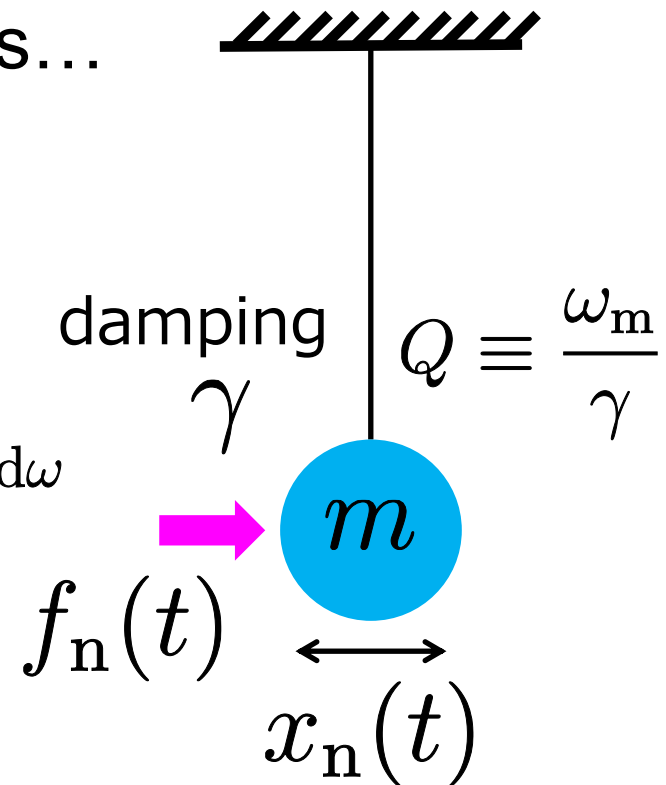
$$\frac{1}{2} m \omega_m^2 \overline{x_n^2(t)} = \frac{1}{2} k_B T$$



Brownian Noise of Oscillators

- By repeating similar calculations...

$$\begin{aligned}
 \overline{x_n^2(t)} &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_{x_n}(\omega) d\omega \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\chi(\omega)|^2 S_{f_n}(\omega) d\omega \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\pi m^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{D}{(\omega^2 - \omega_m^2)^2 + (\omega^2 \omega_m^2 / Q)^2} d\omega \\
 &= \frac{QD}{2m^2 \omega_m^3}
 \end{aligned}$$



- Therefore

$$S_{f_n}(\omega) = D = 2k_B T m \gamma$$

$$G_{f_n}(f) = 4k_B T m \gamma$$

Fluctuation Dissipation Theorem

- Linear system



- Susceptibility** **Impedance**

$$\chi(\omega) = \frac{x(\omega)}{F(\omega)}$$

$$Z(\omega) = \frac{F(\omega)}{v(\omega)} = \frac{F(\omega)}{i\omega x(\omega)}$$

- Thermal fluctuating force will be

Inverse of impedance
is called **admittance**

$$G_{F_n}(f) = 4k_B T \underline{\text{Re}(Z(\omega))}$$

Real part of impedance
(called **resistance**)

$$= -4k_B T \frac{1}{\omega \text{Im}(\chi(\omega))}$$

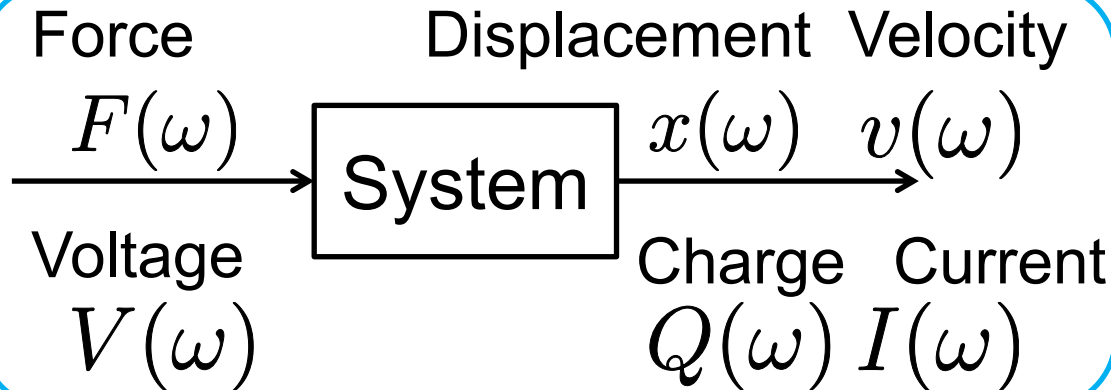
Derivation from FDT

- Harmonic Oscillator** $G_{F_n}(f) = -4k_B T \frac{1}{\omega \text{Im}(\chi(\omega))}$

$$\chi(\omega) = \frac{1}{m} \frac{1}{\omega_m^2 - \omega^2 + i \frac{\omega \omega_m}{Q}}$$

$$= 4k_B T \frac{1}{\omega / (m \omega \omega_m / Q)}$$

$$= \underline{4k_B T m \gamma}$$



- Johnson-Nyquist Noise**

$$G_{V_n}(f) = 4k_B T \text{Re}(Z(\omega))$$

$$= \underline{4k_B T R}$$

$$Z(\omega) = \frac{V_n}{I} \quad H(\omega) = \frac{1}{1 + i\omega RC}$$

$$= \frac{V_n}{V_{\text{out}} C}$$

$$= \frac{1}{i\omega C} H(\omega)$$

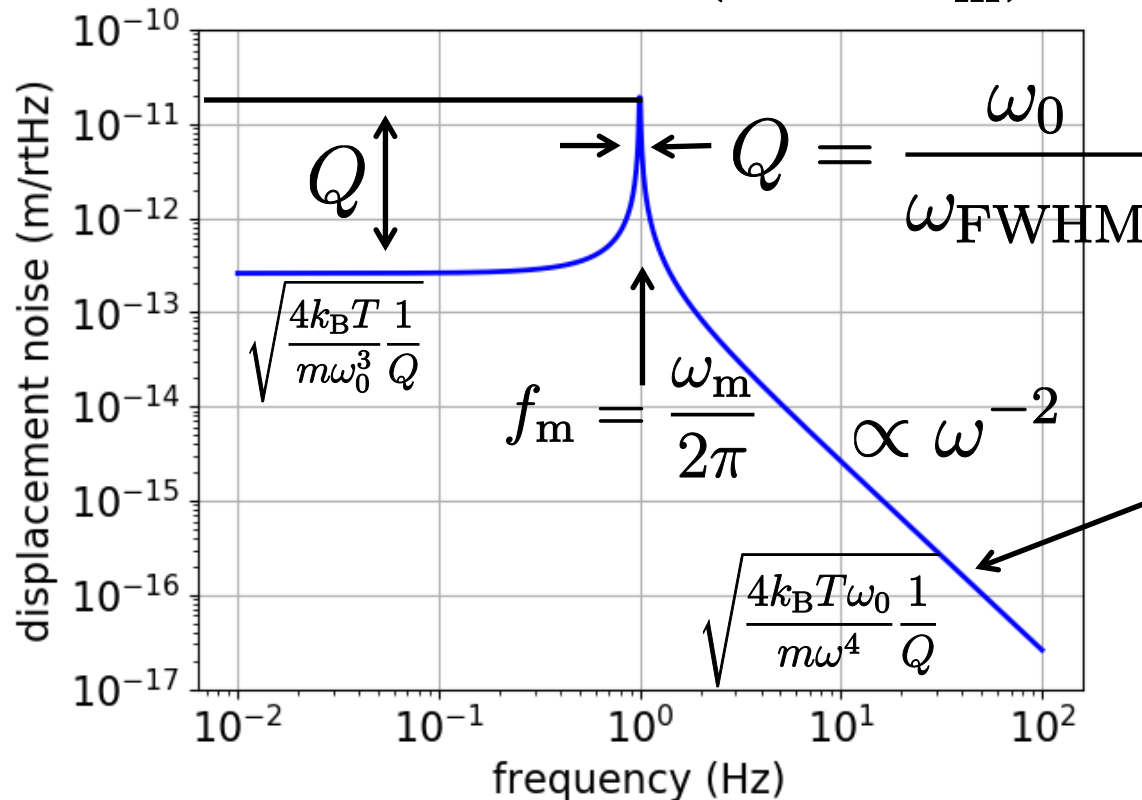
$$= R + \frac{1}{i\omega C}$$

Thermal Noise in Displacement

- Brownian thermal noise will be

$$G_{x_n}(f) = |\chi(\omega)|^2 G_{F_n}(f)$$

$$= \frac{4k_B T m \gamma}{(\omega^2 - \omega_m^2)^2 + (\omega^2 \omega_m^2 / Q)^2}$$



$$\overline{x_n^2(t)} = \frac{k_B T}{m \omega_m^2}$$

This do not depend on Q

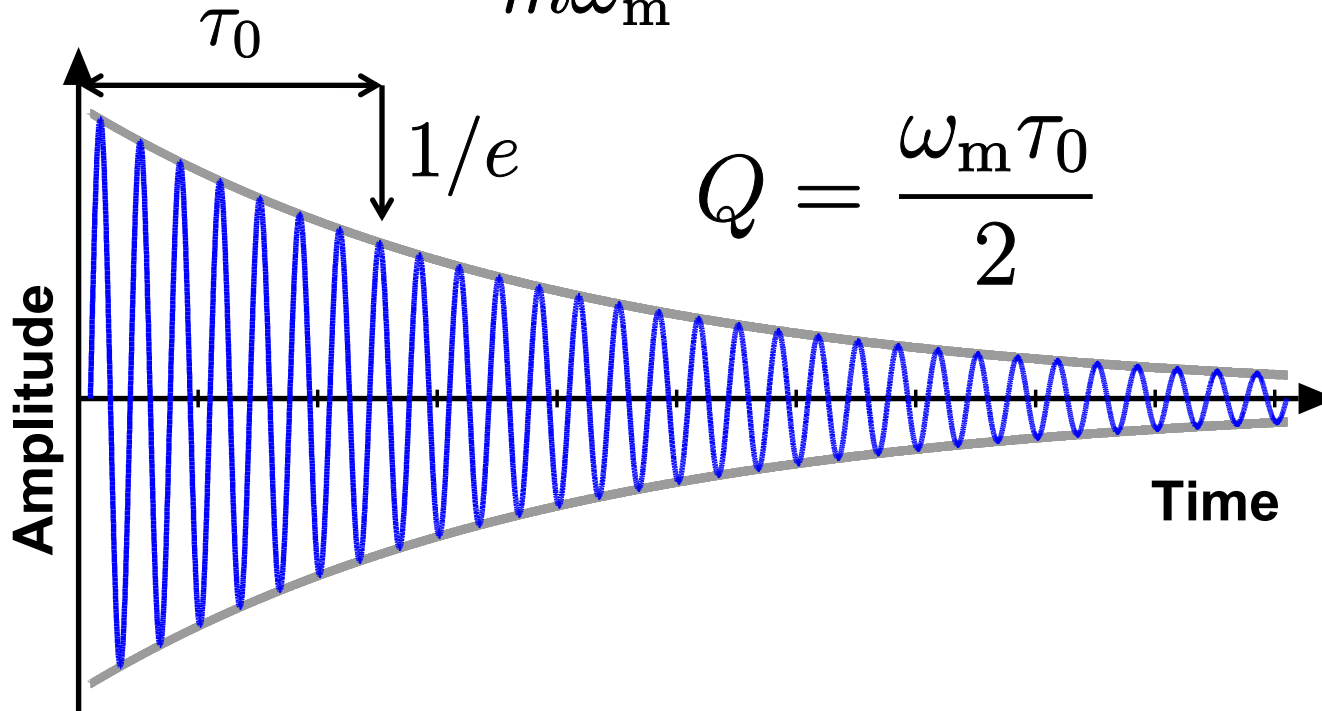
When Q is high, most of the power is in the resonant peak, and thermal noise at higher frequencies is **reduced**

Q Measurement

- Resonant frequency and Q-value can be measured from the **impulse response**

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{m\omega_m} e^{-\frac{\omega_m t}{2Q}} \sin \omega_m t$$

Fourier transform of $\chi(\omega) = \frac{1}{m} \frac{1}{\omega_m^2 - \omega^2 + i\frac{\omega\omega_m}{Q}}$



tuning fork

Viscous and Structure Damping

- Viscous damping
 - Damping by a force proportional to velocity
 - e.g. gas damping, eddy-current damping

$$m(\ddot{x} + \gamma\dot{x} + \omega_m^2 x) = f \quad \gamma = \frac{\omega_m}{Q}$$

Frequency independent

- Structure damping
 - Energy loss due to internal loss
 - e.g. internal friction of materials
 - ideal elastic material

$$F_{\text{spring}} = -kx \quad (\text{Hooke's Law})$$

- **anelastic** material

$$F_{\text{spring}} = -k(1 + i\phi)x$$

loss angle

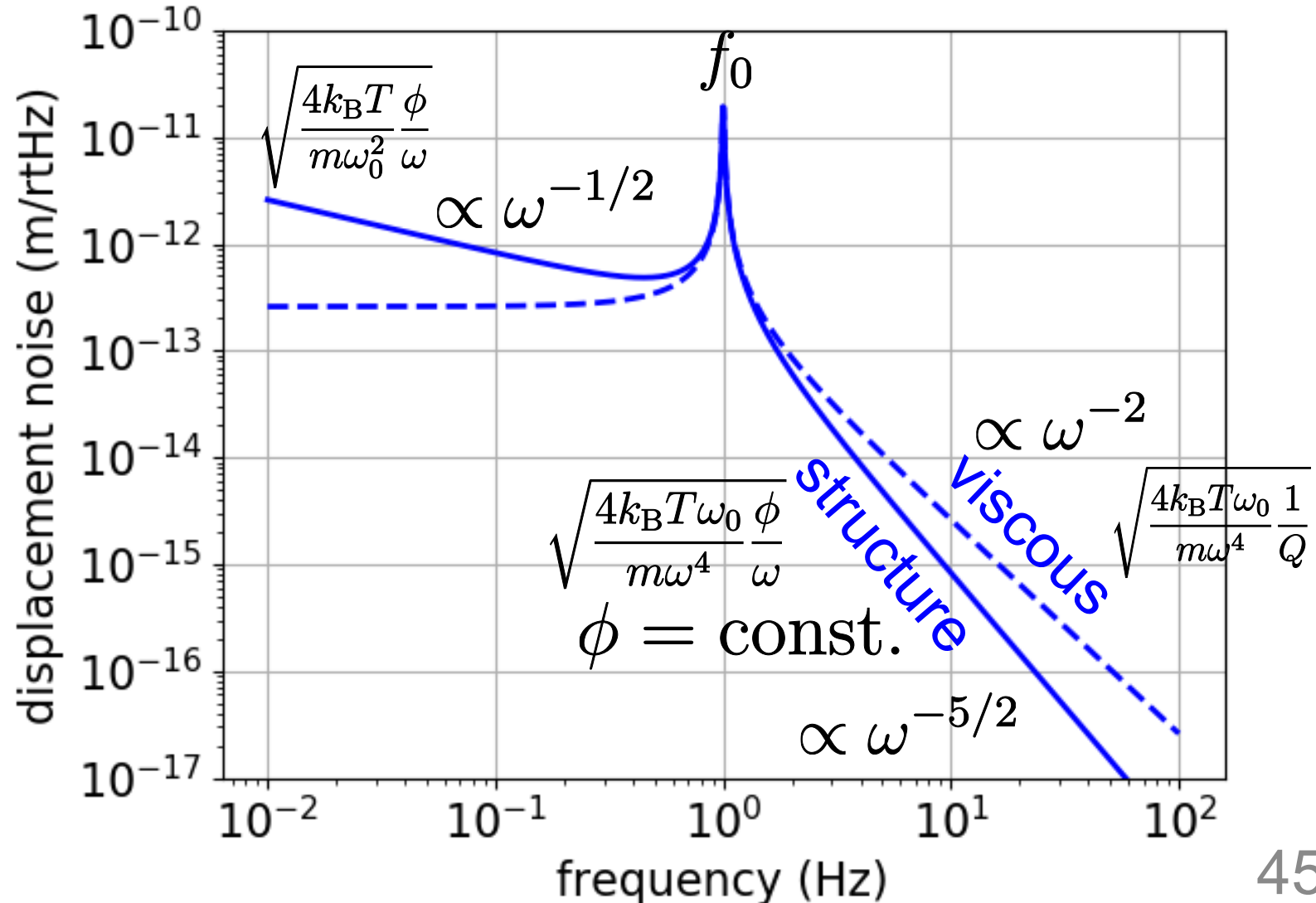
$$\phi = \frac{1}{Q}$$

Frequency dependent

$$\gamma(\omega) = \frac{\omega_m^2}{\omega Q}$$

Viscous and Structure Damping

- Structure has smaller noise above resonance



Pendulum Thermal Noise

- Restoring force also from elasticity

$$F_{\text{spring}} = -(mg/l + k_{\text{el}}(1 + i\phi))x$$

$$= -(mg/l + k_{\text{el}})(1 + i\phi_p)x$$

- Gravitational dilution

$$\phi_p \equiv \underbrace{\frac{k_{\text{el}}}{mg/l + k_{\text{el}}}}_{\text{dilution factor}} \phi \simeq \frac{\phi}{2l} \sqrt{\frac{EI}{mg}}$$

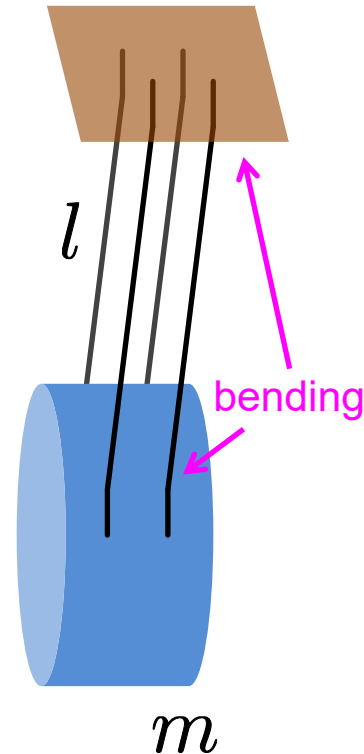
loss angle
of pendulum
 $10^{-5} \sim 10^{-7}$

dilution factor
 $10^{-3} \sim 10^{-2}$

intrinsic loss angle
of wire $10^{-4} \sim 10^{-3}$

$$k_{\text{el}} = \frac{\sqrt{TEI}}{2l^2} = \frac{\sqrt{mgEI}}{2l^2}$$

T : wire tension
 E : wire Young's modulus
 I : wire moment of inertia



Pendulum Thermal Noise

- Suspension thermal noise ($\omega \gg \omega_m$)

$$x_{\text{susp}}^2(\omega) = \frac{4k_B T \omega_m \phi_p}{m \omega^4} \frac{1}{\omega}$$

From now on we will say
that this is one-sided
power spectral density

$$= \frac{4k_B T}{m \omega^5} \sqrt{\frac{g}{l}} \frac{\phi}{2l\omega} \sqrt{\frac{EI}{mg}}$$

- To lower the thermal noise**

- lower temperature
- lower loss angle
- longer suspension
- heavier mirror

$$x_{\text{susp}}(\omega) \propto \sqrt{T\phi}$$

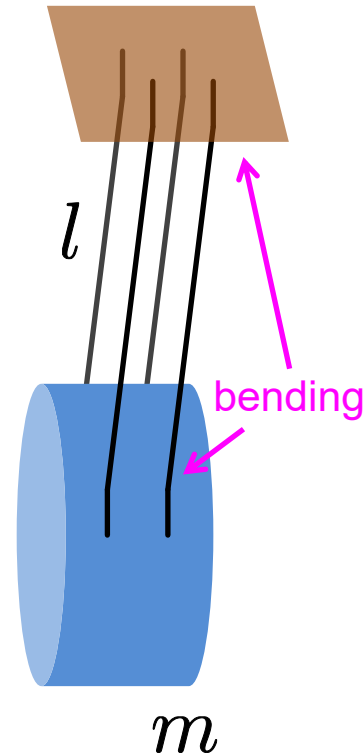
$$x_{\text{susp}}(\omega) \propto l^{-3/2}$$

$$x_{\text{susp}}(\omega) \propto m^{-1/4} \text{ assuming } I \propto A^2$$

A: wire cross section

$$m \propto A$$

(we will need thicker wire to suspend heavier mirror)

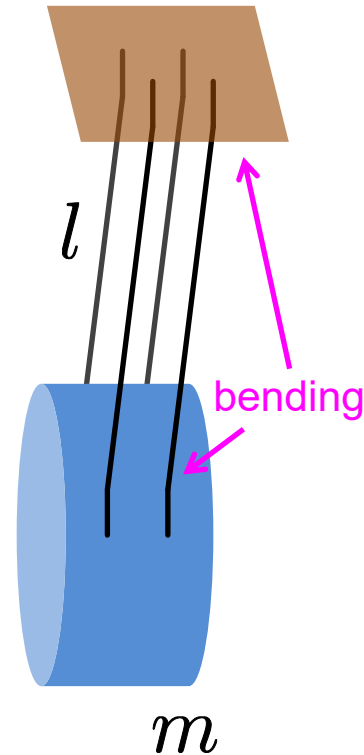


Pendulum Thermal Noise

- Suspension thermal noise ($\omega \gg \omega_m$)

$$x_{\text{susp}}^2(\omega) = \frac{4k_B T \omega_m \phi_p}{m \omega^4} \frac{1}{\omega}$$

- Calculate suspension thermal noise for $m=10$ kg, $f_0=1$ Hz, $T=300$ K, $\phi_p=10^{-6}$ at 100 Hz. $k_B = 1.38 \times 10^{-23}$ J/K

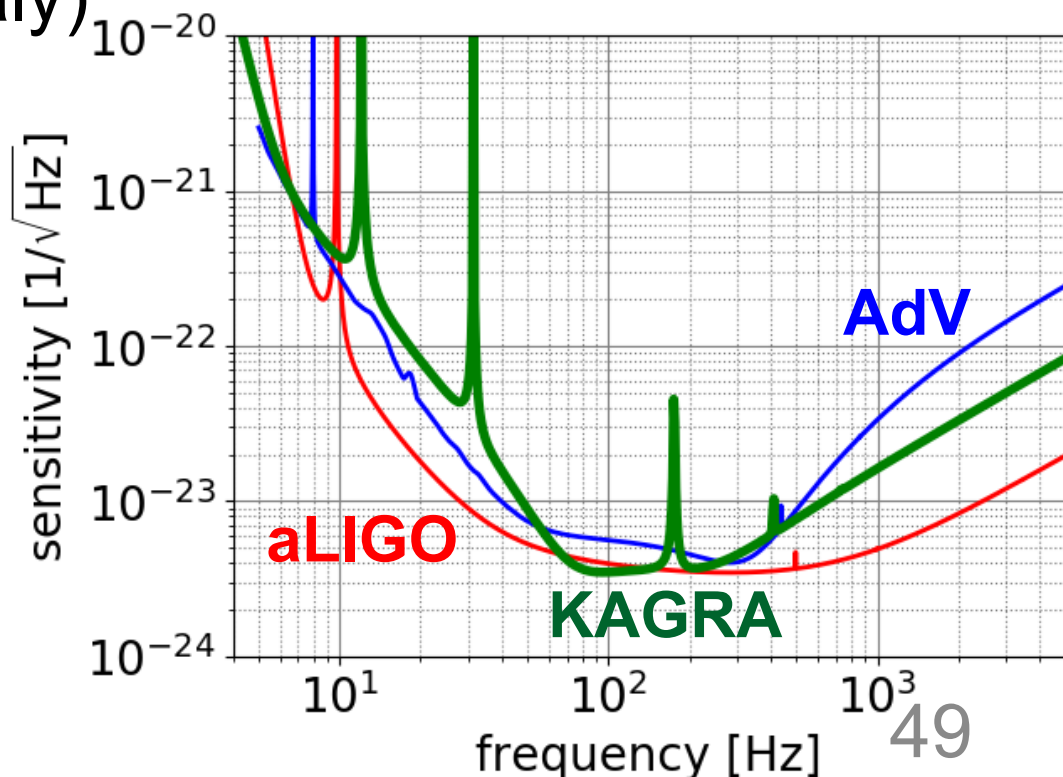


$$x_{\text{susp}}(\omega) = 1.0 \times 10^{-20} \left(\frac{100 \text{ Hz}}{f} \right)^{5/2} \text{ m}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$$

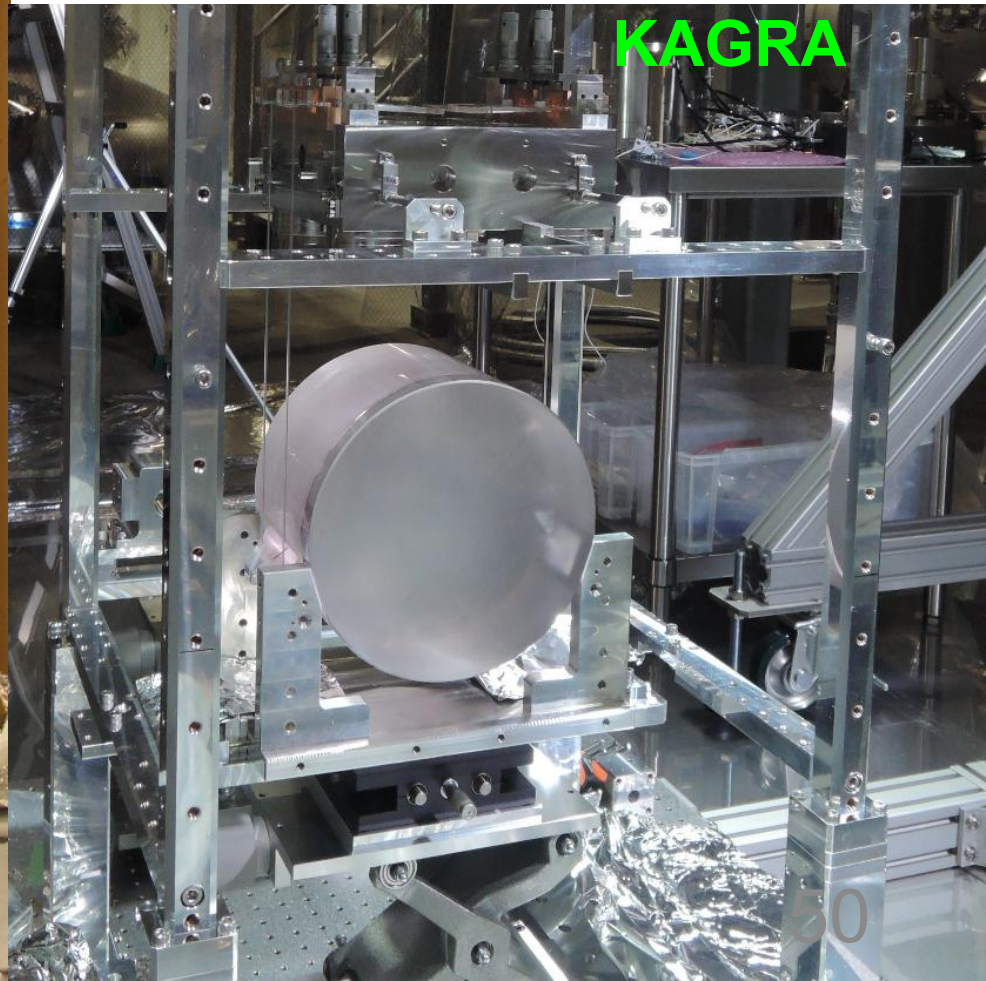
Sufficient for GW detection!

Suspension Thermal Noise in LVK

- Advanced LIGO (US)
40 kg, 60 cm,
fused silica,
295 K, $\phi_w \sim 10^{-7}$
- Advanced Virgo (Italy)
42 kg, 70 cm,
fused silica,
295 K, $\phi_w \sim 10^{-7}$
- KAGRA (Japan)
23 kg, 35 cm,
sapphire,
22 K, $\phi_w = 2 \times 10^{-7}$

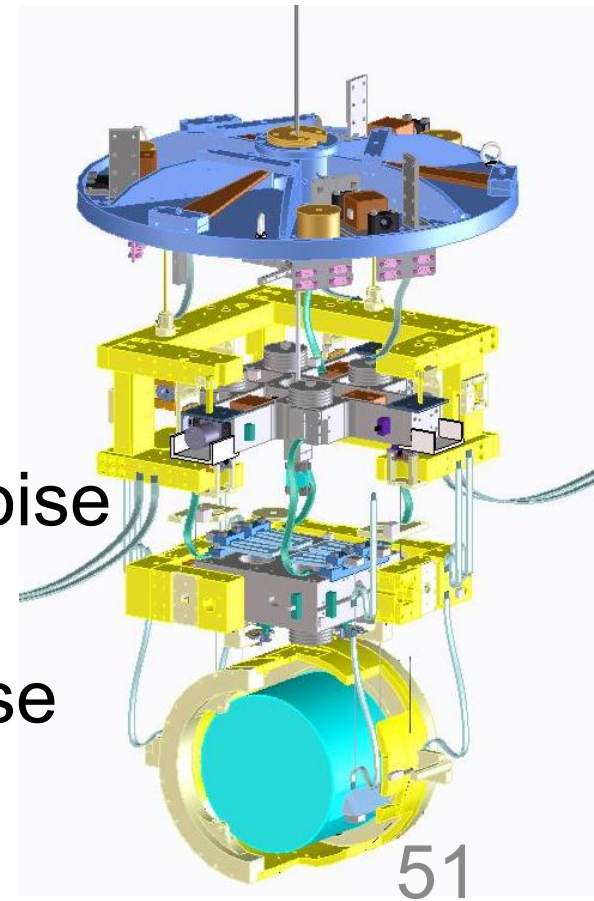


Suspensions



Challenges (Opportunities) in Cryogenics

- KAGRA is the first km-scale GW detector to use cryogenics to reduce thermal noise
- Fused silica has large mechanical loss at cryogenic temperatures
 - **sapphire**
- Limitation in mirror size: 23 kg (small compared with aLIGO/AdV)
 - smaller beam size
 - worse quantum and thermal noise
- Thicker wire for **heat extraction**
 - larger suspension thermal noise
- Vibration of cryocoolers



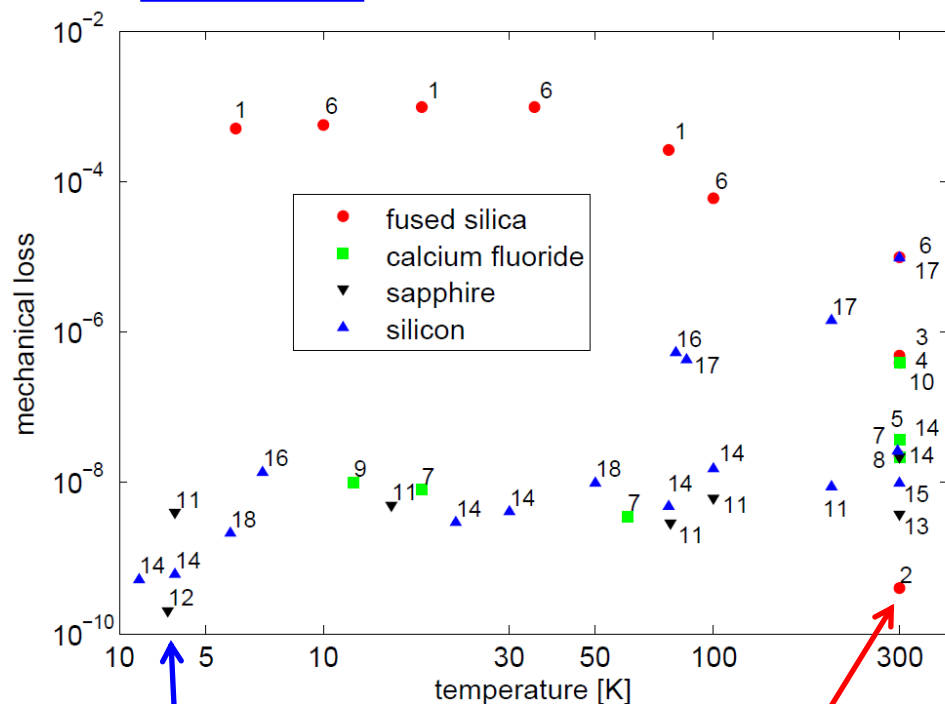
Material Search is Important

- Thermal noise $\propto \sqrt{T\phi}$

Temperature

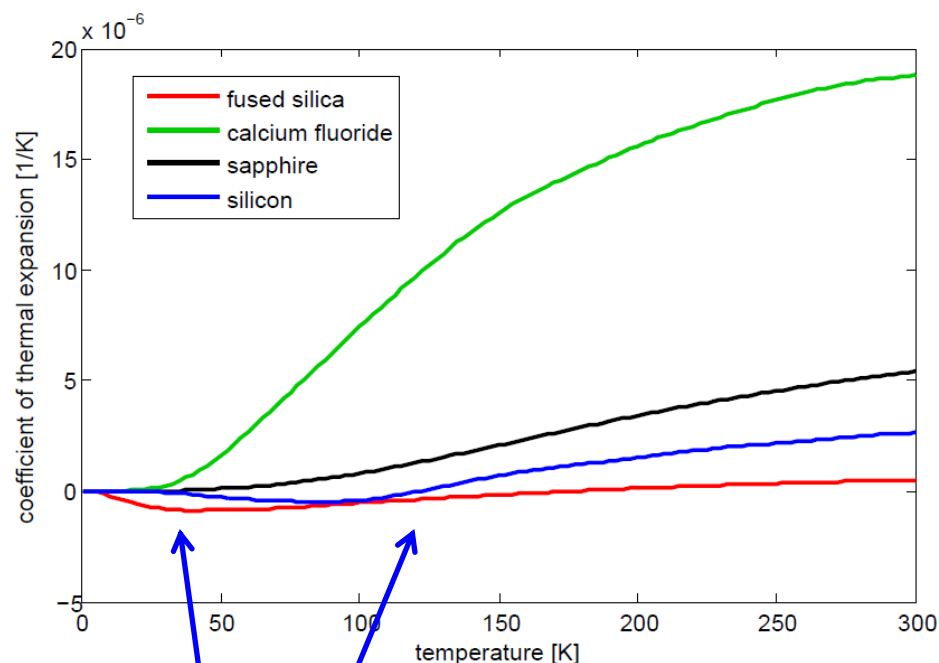
Mechanical loss angle
(temperature dependent)

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Sapphire / silicon
is good at
cryogenic temp.

Fused silica
is good at
room temp.

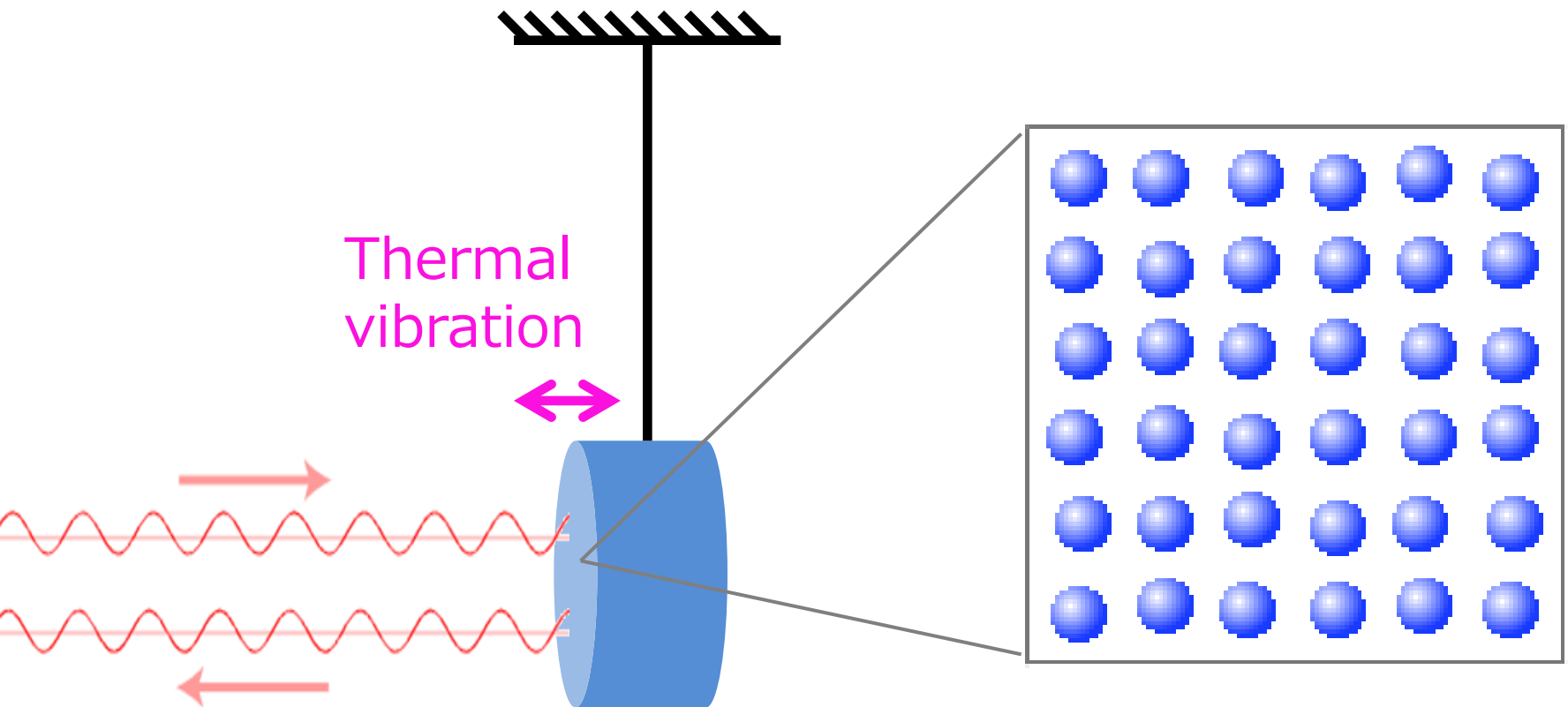


Silicon has zero
thermal expansion
at 18 K and 123 K

Mirror and Coating Thermal Noises

Mirror and Coating Thermal Noise

- Thermal vibration of mirror surface due to
 - Mirror substrate
 - Mirror high-reflective coating

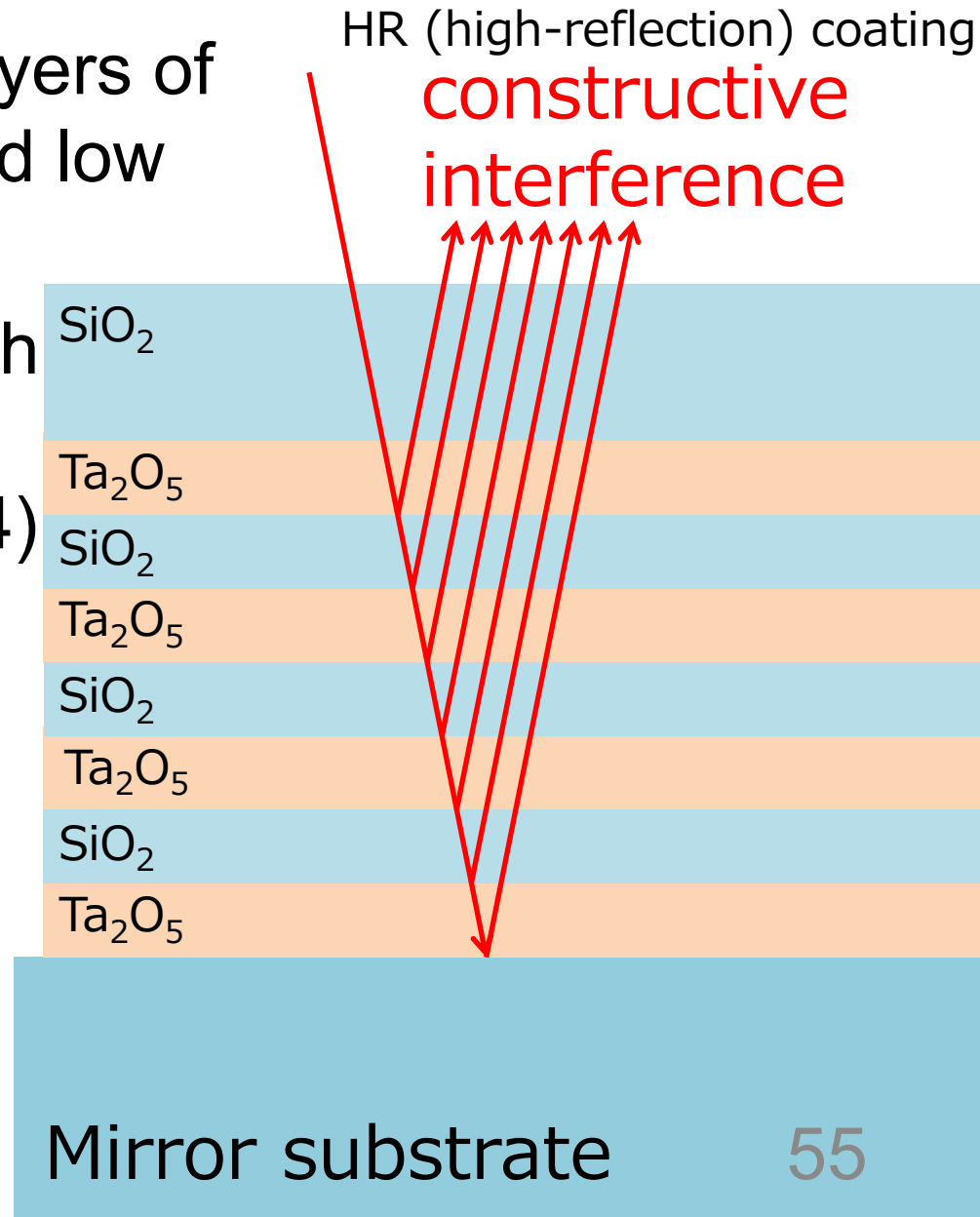


Dielectric Mirror Coating

- $\lambda/4$ thick alternating layers of materials with high and low refractive indices
- Active area of research due to **low loss angle** ($\varphi \sim 1e-4$)



AR (anti-reflection) coating

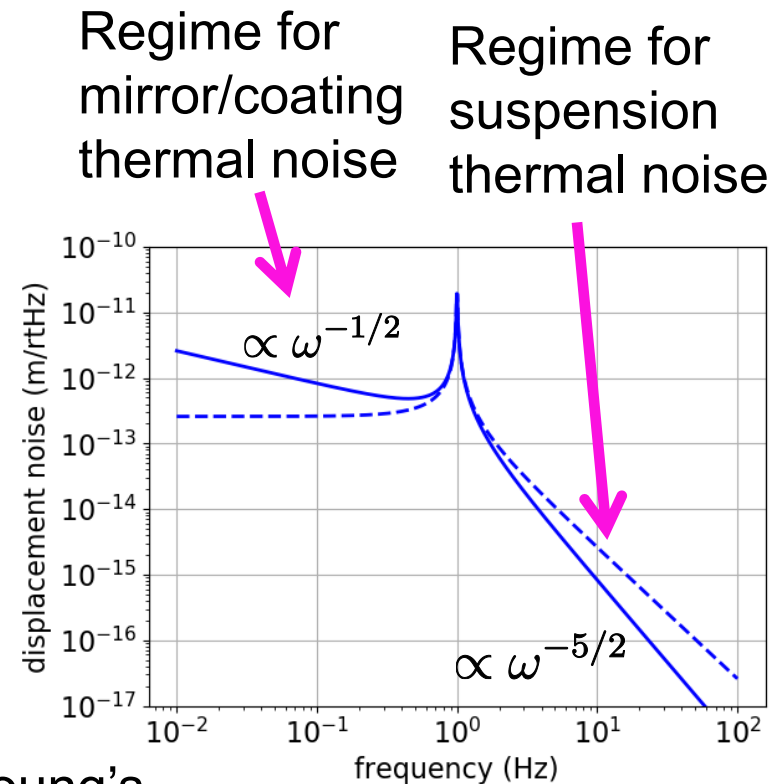


Deriving Thermal Noise Formulae

- Structure damping with $\omega \ll \omega_m$
(for suspension thermal noise we considered $\omega \gg \omega_m$)

$$x_{\text{mir}}^2(\omega) = \frac{4k_B T}{m_{\text{eff}} \omega_m^2} \frac{\phi}{\omega}$$

- m_{eff} is reduced mass
 - function of mirror aspect ratio, mirror radius, **beam radius** ratio w , Poisson's ratio σ
- ω_m is resonant frequency of vibration mode $\omega_m \propto \sqrt{E}$ Young's modulus
- You also have to sum up all the vibration modes



Simple Formulae

- Mirror substrate thermal noise

$$x_{\text{sub}}^2(\omega) = \frac{4k_{\text{B}}T\phi_{\text{sub}}}{\omega} \frac{1 - \sigma_{\text{sub}}^2}{\sqrt{\pi}E_{\text{sub}}w}$$

K. Numata+,
[PRL **93**, 250602 \(2004\)](#)
 N. Nakagawa+,
[PRD **65**, 102001 \(2002\)](#)

- Coating thermal noise

$$x_{\text{coat}}^2(\omega) = \frac{4k_{\text{B}}T\phi_{\text{co}}}{\omega} \frac{2d_{\text{co}}(1 + \sigma_{\text{co}})(1 - 2\sigma_{\text{co}})}{\pi E_{\text{sub}}w^2}$$

- To lower thermal noises

- lower temperature

- lower loss angle

- larger beam size (needs larger mirror)

$$x_{\text{sub}}(\omega) \propto 1/w^{1/2} \quad x_{\text{coat}}(\omega) \propto 1/w$$

Thermal Noise Numbers

- Calculate mirror thermal noise for fused silica ($E = 72$ GPa, $\sigma = 0.17$, $\phi = 1e-6$)
 $w = 5$ cm, $T = 300$ K, at 100 Hz

$$x_{\text{sub}}(\omega) = 6.3 \times 10^{-20} \left(\frac{100 \text{ Hz}}{f} \right)^{1/2} \text{ m}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$$

- Calculate coating thermal noise for silica/tantala coating ($E = 72$ Gpa, $\sigma = 0.17$, $\phi = 4e-4$)
 $d = 10$ μm , $w = 5$ cm, $T = 300$ K, at 100 Hz

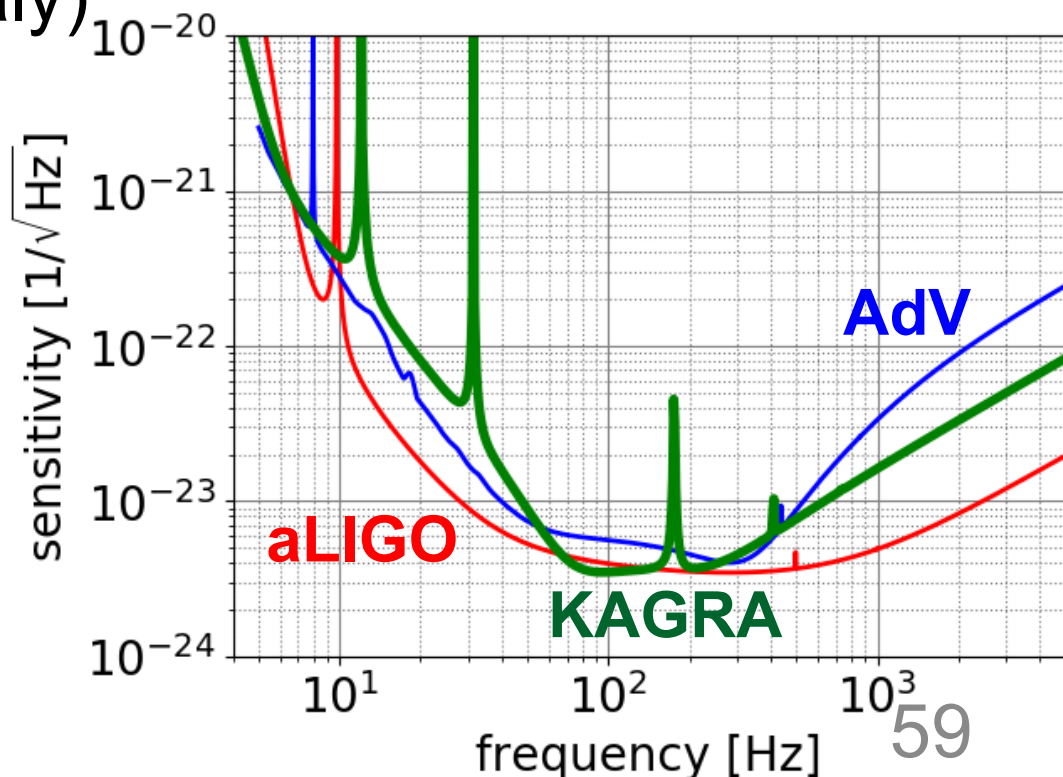
$$x_{\text{coat}}(\omega) = 1.7 \times 10^{-20} \left(\frac{100 \text{ Hz}}{f} \right)^{1/2} \text{ m}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$$

Sufficient for GW detection!

Mirror Thermal Noises in LVK

- Advanced LIGO (US)
w= 5.5 / 6.2 cm,
fused silica,
295 K, $\varphi_{\text{sub}} = \sim 1\text{e-}6$
- Advanced Virgo (Italy)
w= 4.9 / 5.8 cm,
fused silica,
295 K, $\varphi_{\text{sub}} = \sim 1\text{e-}6$
- KAGRA (Japan)
w= 3.5 / 3.5 cm,
sapphire,
22 K, $\varphi_{\text{sub}} = 1\text{e-}8$

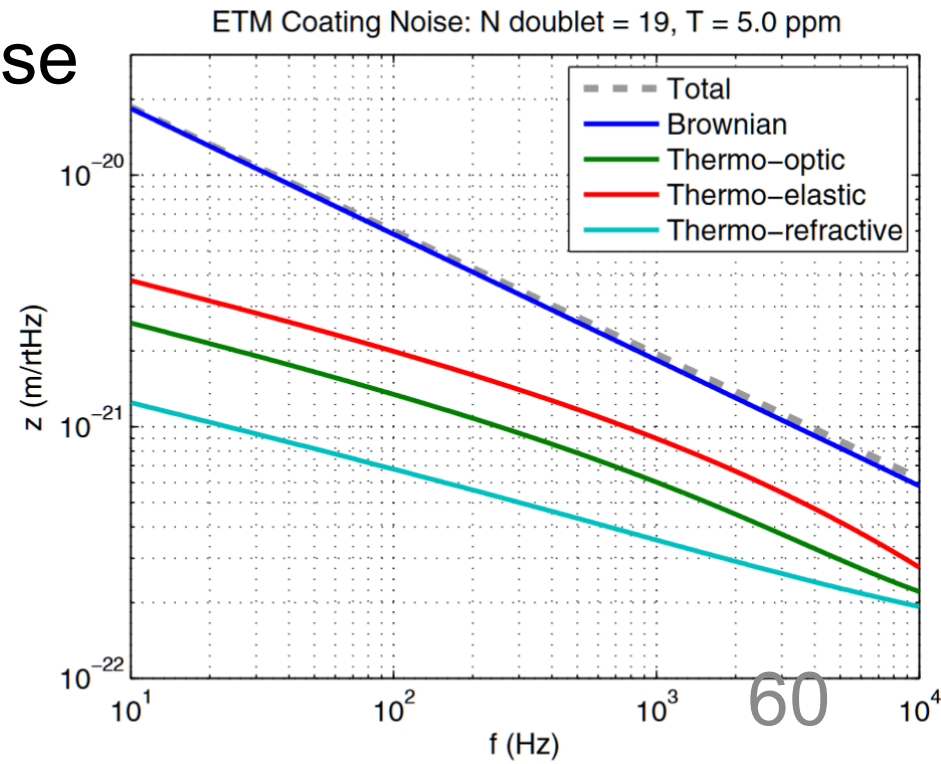
Substrate thermal noise
is not significant, but
coating thermal noise
is troublesome in LVK
 $\varphi_{\text{coa}} = \sim 3 \sim 5\text{e-}4$



Other Coating Thermal Noises

- Thermal dissipation in the coating leads to temperature fluctuation in the coating, which causes:
 - **Thermo-elastic** noise
thermal expansion
 - **Thermo-refractive** noise
refractive index change
- These two can cancel

M. Evans+, [PRD 78, 102003 \(2009\)](#)



Summary

- Seismic noise
 - Site selection is important
 - Can be attenuated with suspensions
- Newtonian noise
 - Site selection is important
 - Can be cancelled with environment signals
- Thermal noise
 - Fluctuation-dissipation theorem
 - Material selection is important
 - Can be reduced by cooling but not so simple
- All can be reduced by making things bigger



Assignment for Nov 17

- Give an example where bigger is not necessarily better for a gravitational wave detector, and explain the reason.
- You may also answer from the Google Form below
<https://forms.gle/6AwJ48XcpWQXqMon9>

Don't forget to put
your name and
student#

You may answer in
any language

