



S3/S4 Calibration

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S3 Calibration

- S3 Final calibration V3: released Jan 28 2005.
- First version to use “demodulated” lines for alpha, beta estimates (X. Siemen’s code).
- Also, first science run to use “dynamic beta”.
- Somewhat reviewed (?)
- Document, paper with details and errors in preparation.
- Measurement errors in alpha, beta $<0.5\%$, DC calibration \sim few-10%, reference functions \sim few %, 5°
- new flag CALIB_LINE_V03 (supersedes all the old flags, except no EXC).

S4 calibration

- Two gw channels, with different (but related!) calibrations:

- $DERR(t) = \beta(t) ASQ(t)$; $C_{DERR}(f) = k_0 C_{ASQ}(f)$

- AS_Q , with $h(f) = R_{ASQ}(f, t) ASQ(f)$ and

$$R_{ASQ}(f, t) = (1 + \alpha(t)\beta(t)G(f)) / (\alpha(t)C_{ASQ}(f))$$

- $DARM_ERR$ (“darma”), with $h(f) = R_{DERR}(f, t) DARM_ERR(f)$ and

$$R_{DERR}(f, t) = (1 + \alpha(t)\beta(t)G(f)) / (\alpha(t)\beta(t)C_{DERR}(f))$$

S4 online calibration

- Released ~ a week before S4 (a first!)
- Not reviewed yet (errors?)
- Online coefficients (OLOOP_GAIN, CAV_FACTOR) from SenseMon
- Problems: Dropouts
- Recommend: use DARM_ERR with $\alpha(t)*\beta(t)=1$.

S4 to-do list

- A few more measurements (electronics, cavity poles,...)
- DC vs AC calibration, sign of calibration
- Revised model and reference functions
- Coefficients from demodulated lines (M. Sung)
-- ~a week after S4
- Error estimates
- DQ flags (dropouts, large fluctuations, large errors...)
- H1 Photon calibrator: validation

S4 photon calibrator

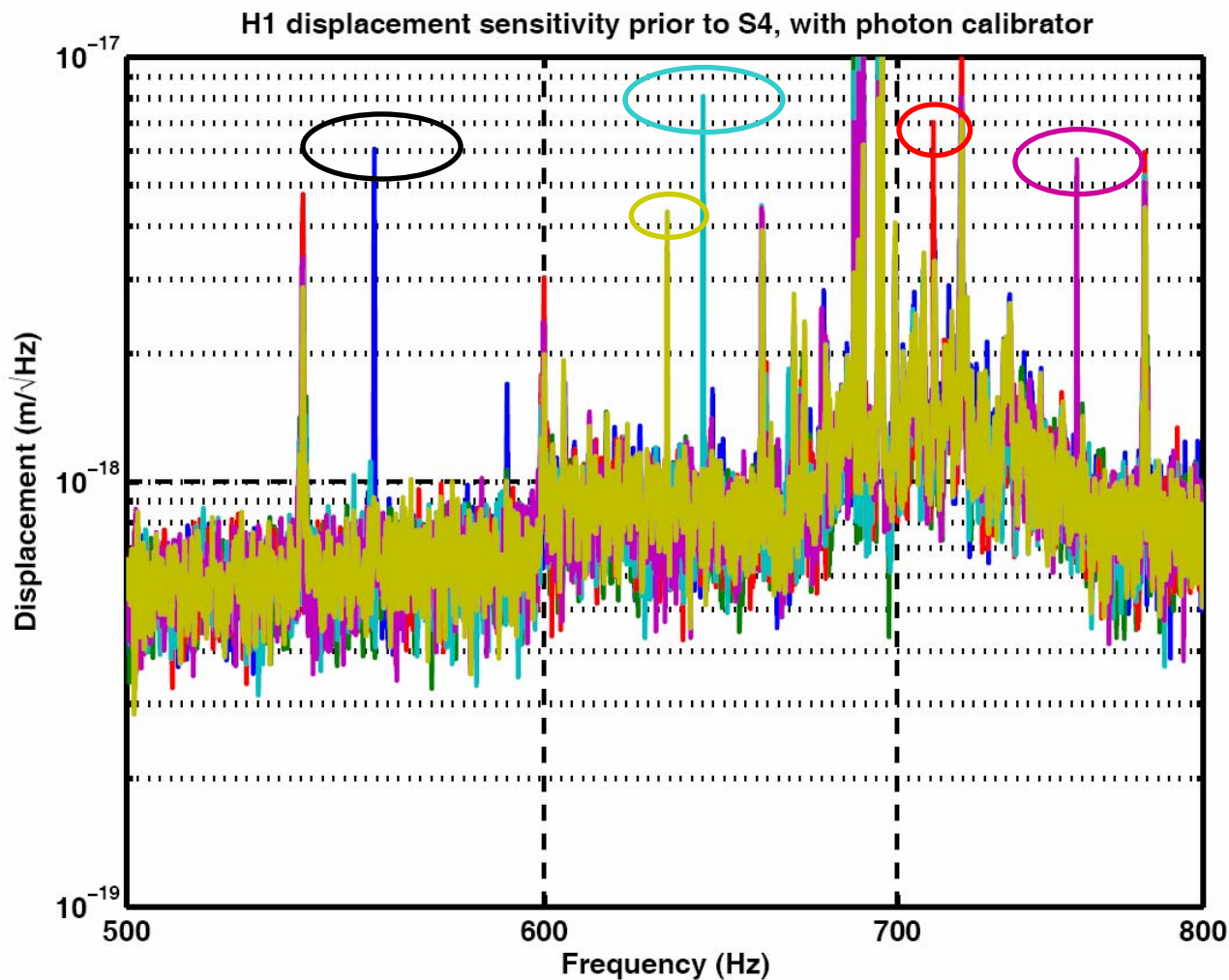
- previously installed and tested – laser troubles with rotating polarization
- recently reinstalled at LHO (Corey Gray) on new LLO-designed shelves (Oddvar Spjeld)



Expectations: photon calibration would be precise but not necessarily accurate (~20%?). Official calibration method more accurate (approaching 5%), but question of precision remains (do we have poorly understood systematics?)

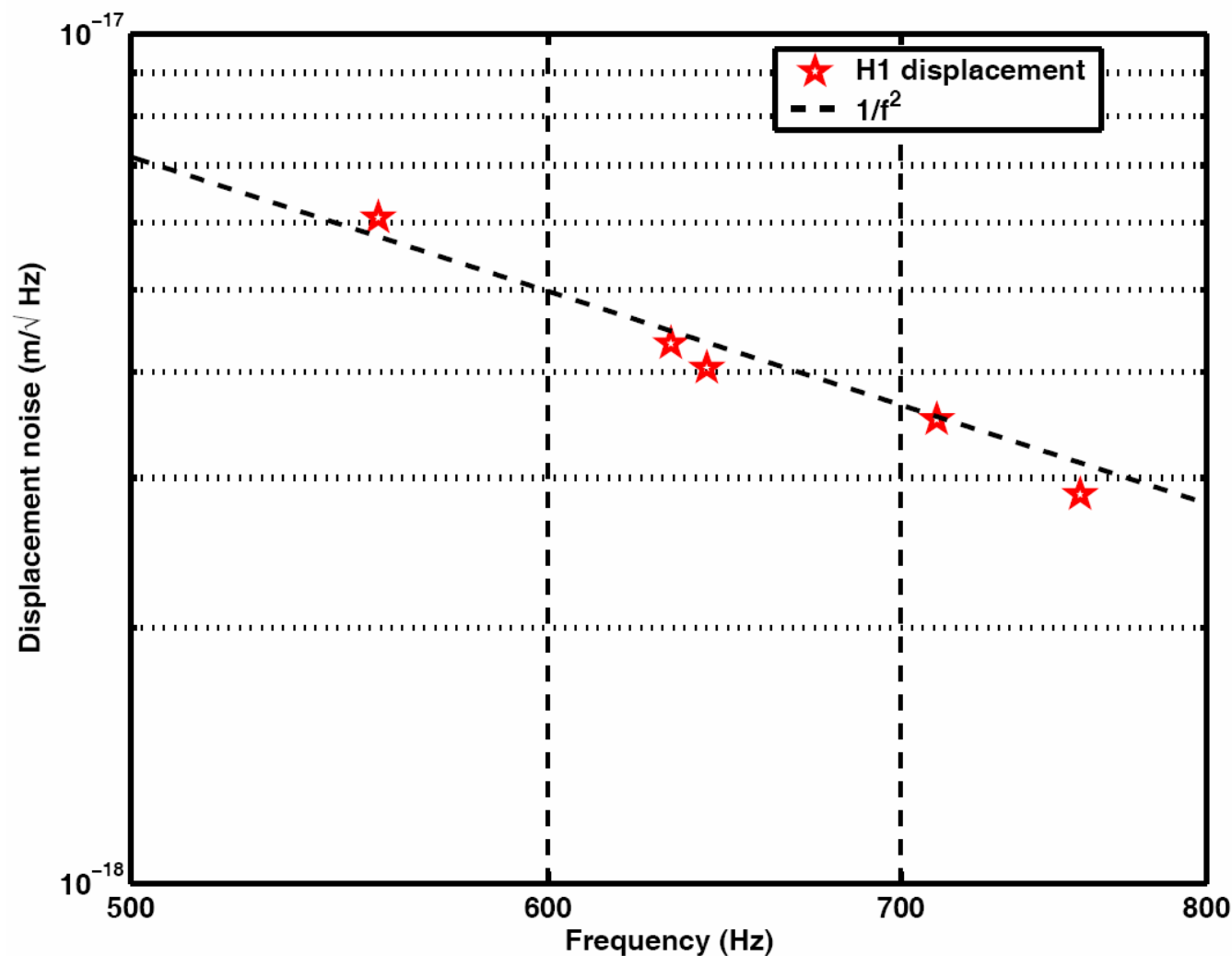
photon calibrator injected lines

- Single test in EX made at LHO ~9h prior to S4
- 5 calibration lines briefly injected
- Calibration for these five curves: **standard, official method**



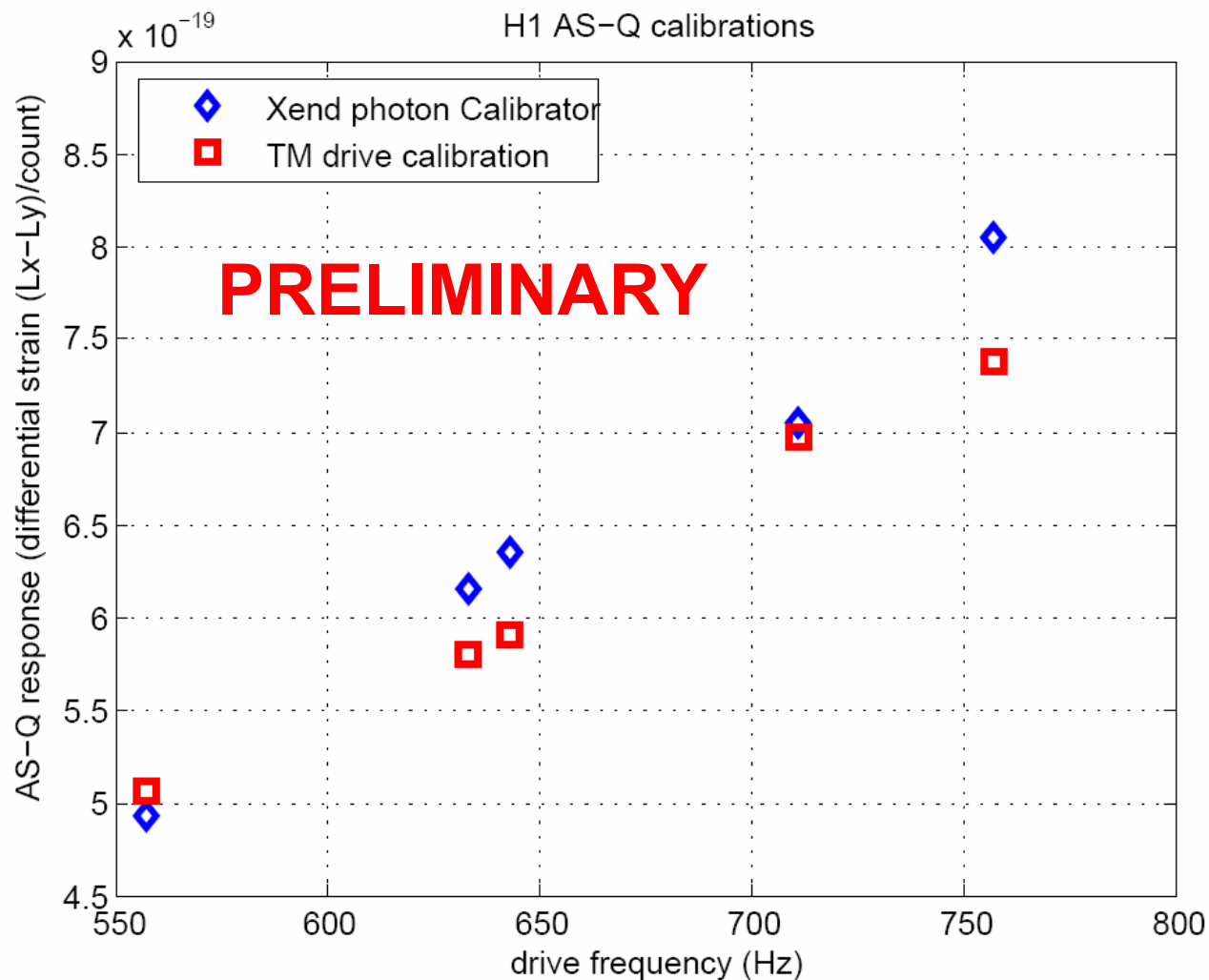
response to photon calibrator

- Displacement equivalent noise of photon calibrator calibration peaks (scaled by size of excitation)
- Calibration here is obtained via official method
- Peak displacement due to photon calibrator falls like $1/f^2$

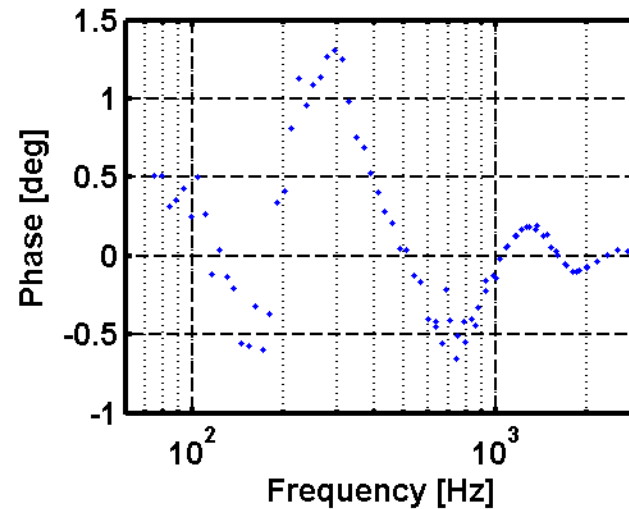
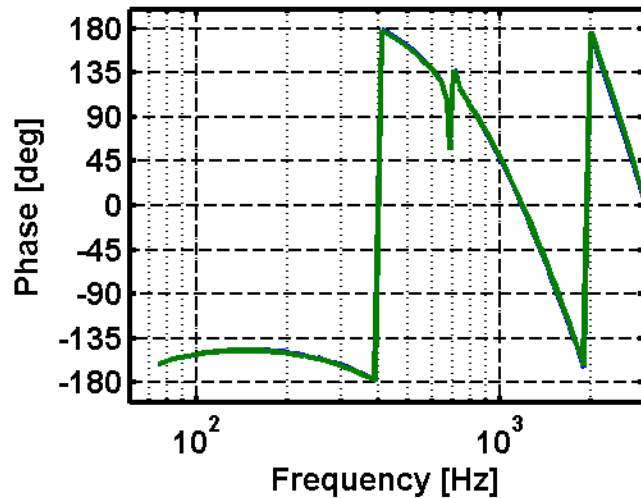
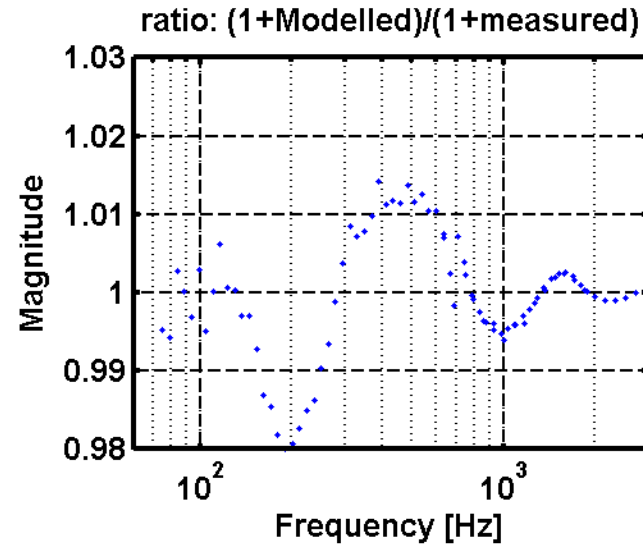
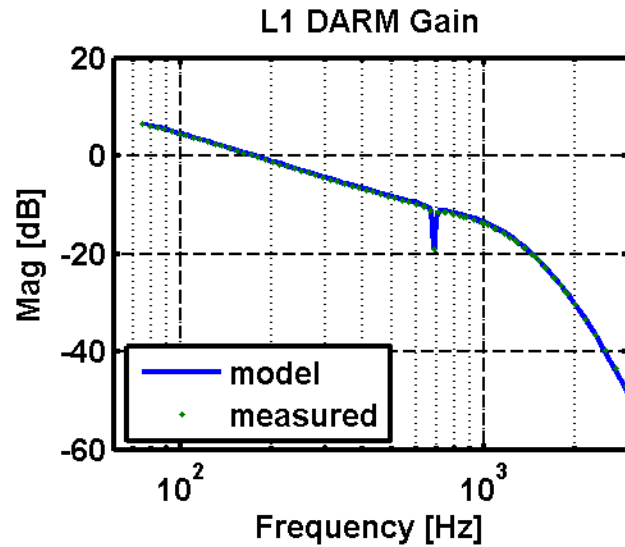


Comparison: official calibration vs photon calibrator

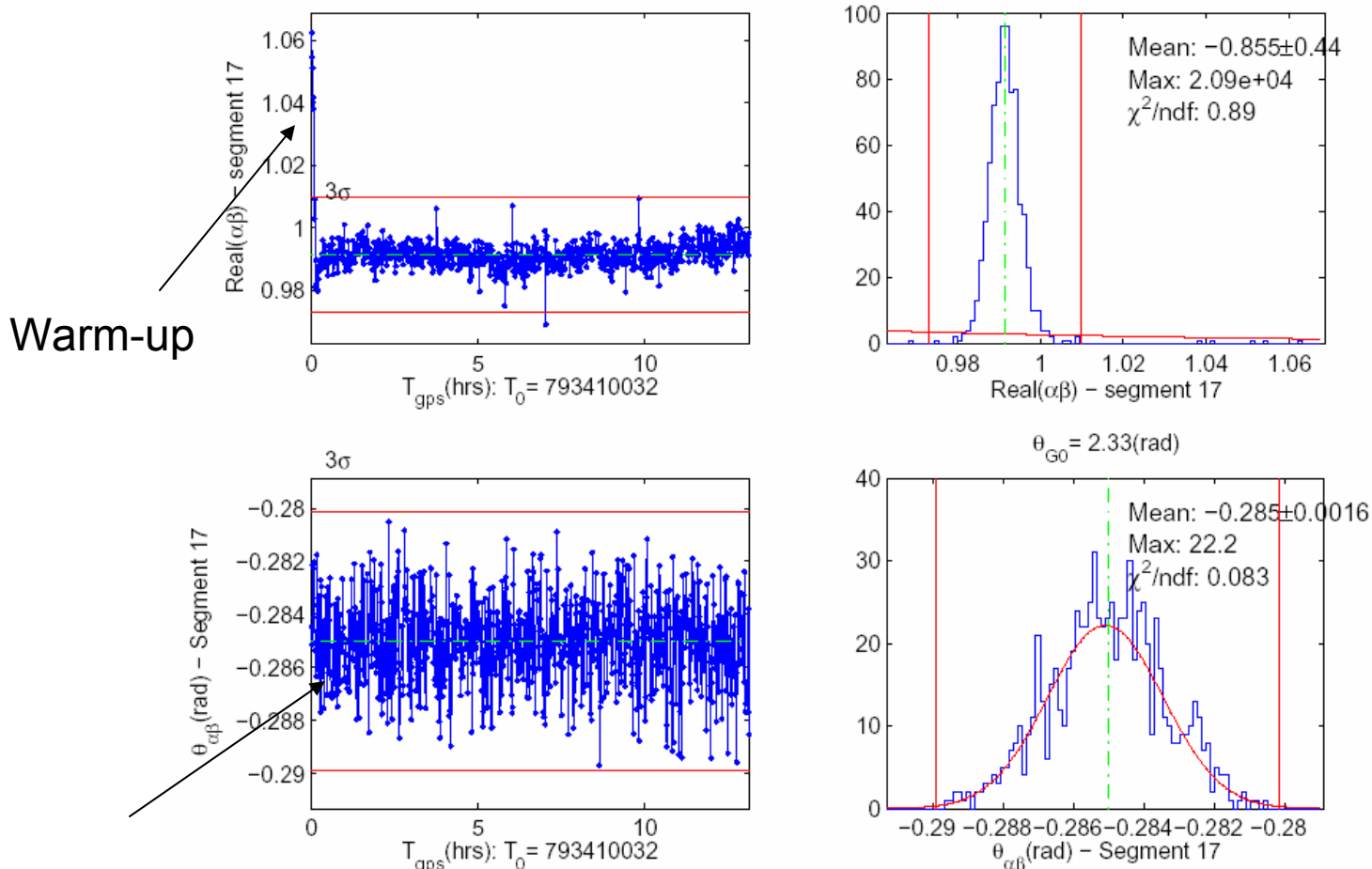
- Magnitude of response functions in strain/rHz is shown for two different calibrations
- **red blocks: 'official'**
- **blue diamonds:** photon calibrator
- Good agreement (one to nine percent)



Matlab models: L1



H1, Seg 17, 60 sec

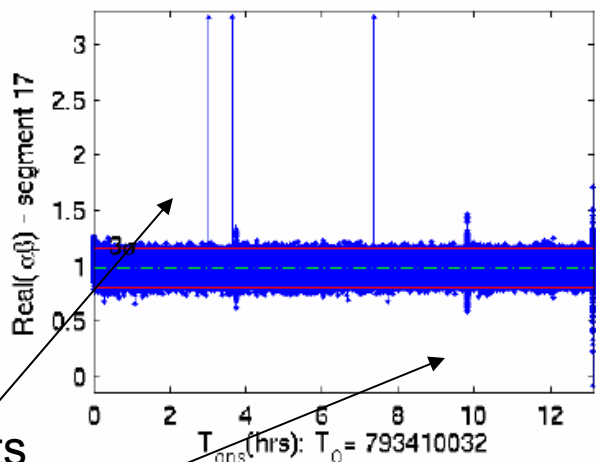


~-0.3 rad “systematic error” in G0 at 1144 Hz,

~0.2% “statistical error” in $\alpha\beta$ estimate

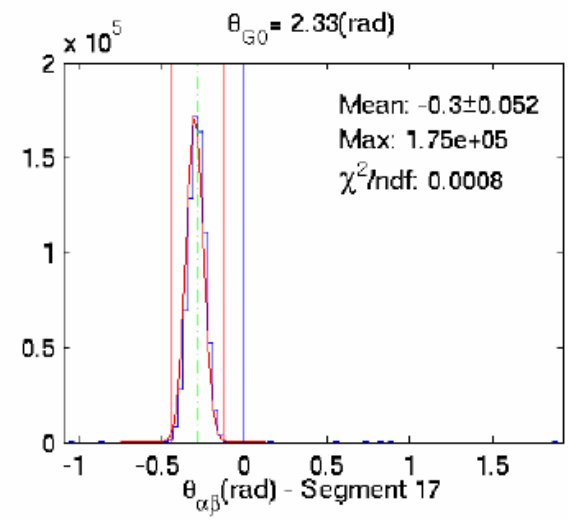
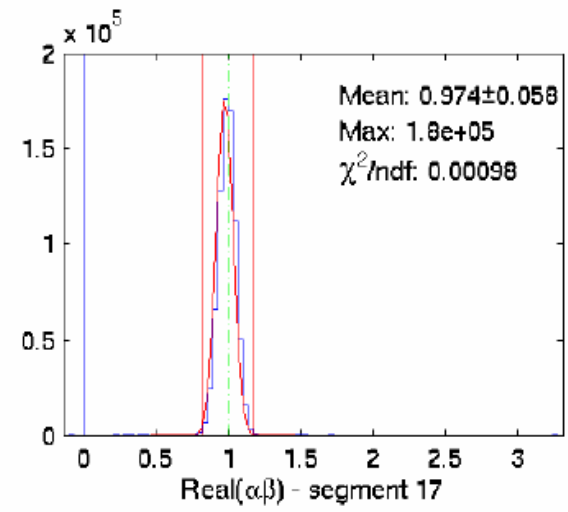
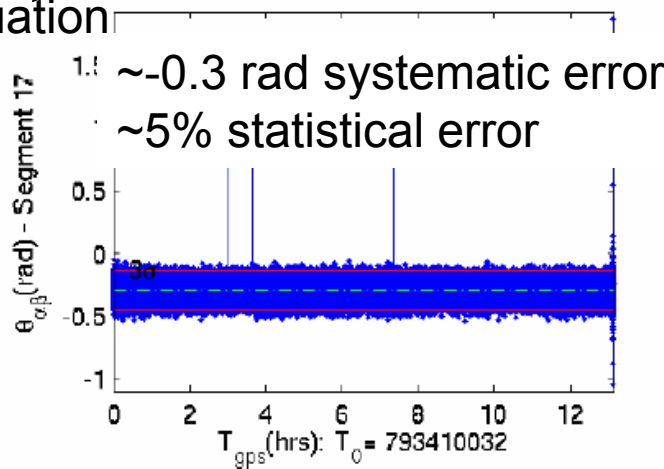
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H1, Seg 17, 16 Hz



Noise bursts

Gain fluctuation



Calibration dropouts

- For first 3 weeks in S4:
 - L1: 83 instances, 283 sec flagged
 - H1: 56 instances, 168 sec flagged
 - H2: 120 instances, 360 sec (0.02%)

