

# GEO600 – Status and Plans

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#### container cluster 2005





## Clean Room / Control Room



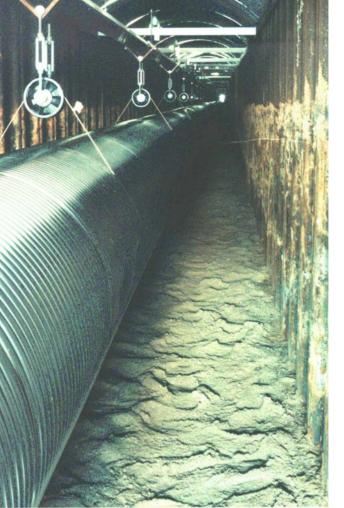




## Tube / Trench

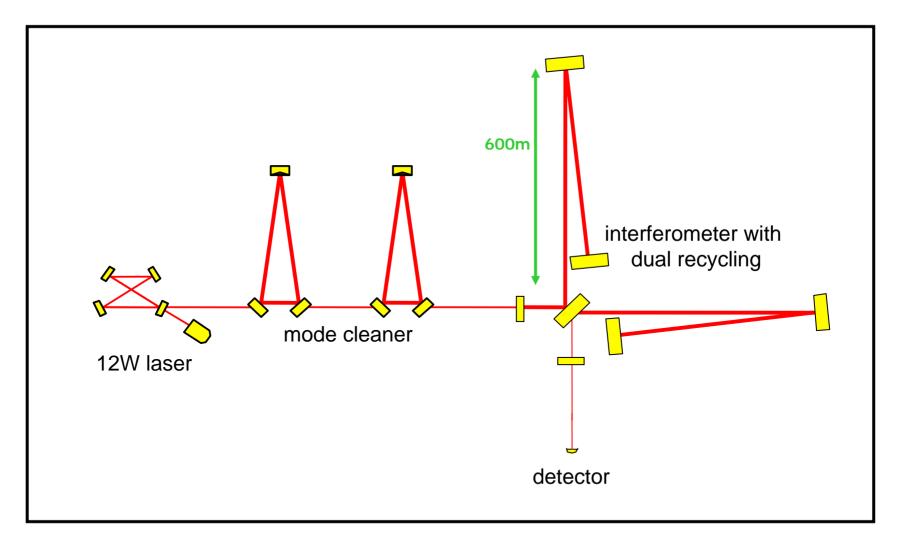








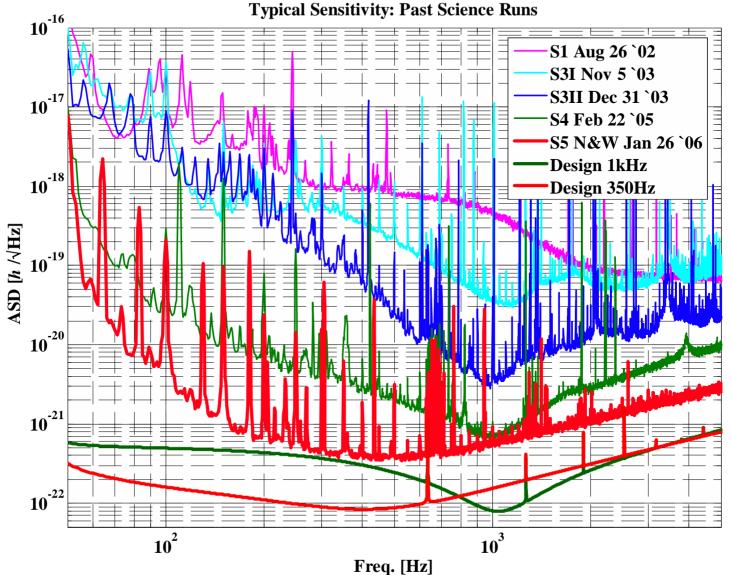






## **Sensitivity Improvements**

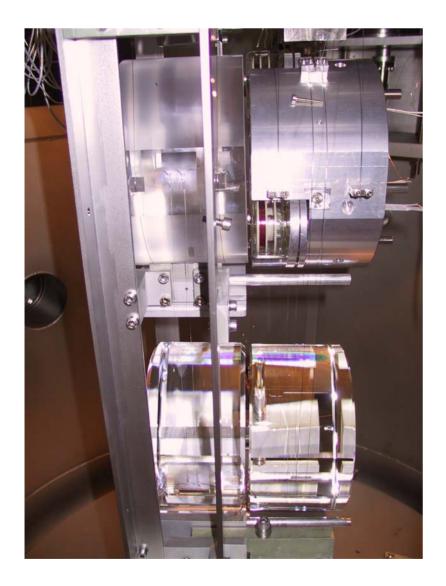


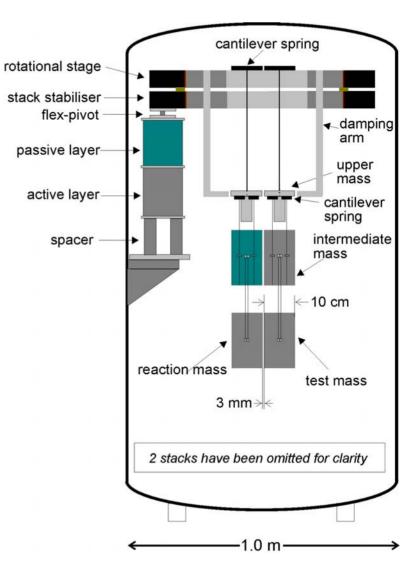




#### **Reaction Pendulum**



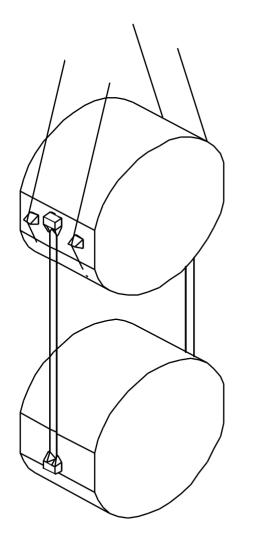


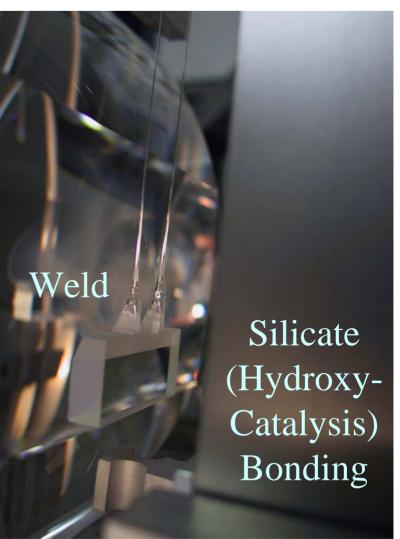




## Thermal Noise / Monolithic Suspension §









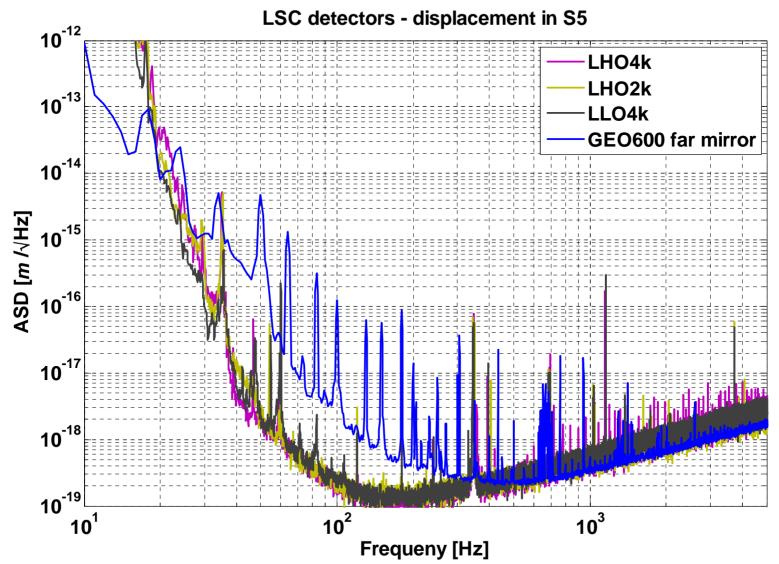


- thermal compensation of a ROC mismatch
- couplings in triple-monolithic-suspension
- dual recycling
  - lock acquisition coupling alignment SRC slope, 2f signal, definition of downtuning parameter
  - resonance conditions of MI sidebands
  - frequency dependent distribution of GW signal on P/Q quadratures
- scattering
- low noise electronic (rf system, ESD HV, digital control)
- radiation pressure effects



#### **Displacement sensitivity**









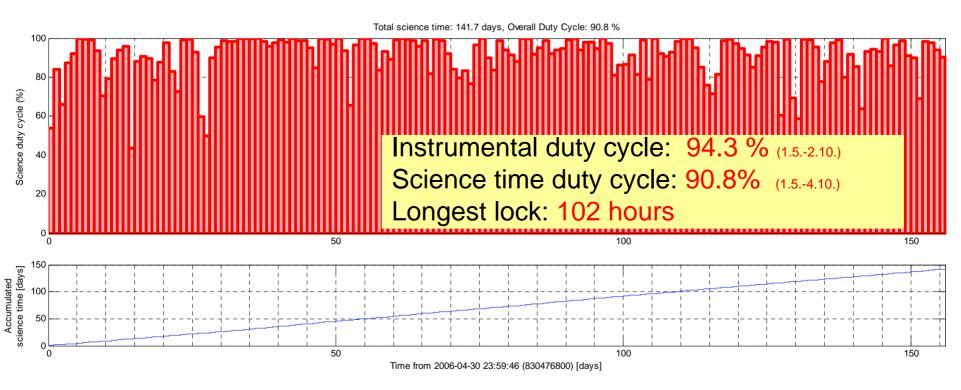
- Signal recycling
  - lock acquisition
  - optimal calibration method for dual recycled detectors
  - importance of resonance conditions for heterodyne sidebands in detuned detectors
- monolithic suspensions
  - welding and bonding technique
  - careful design of fiber neck is required
  - longterm stability test
- electrostatic actuation
  - square root law
  - charges on test masses

the high displacement sensitivity of GEO600 allows for a meaningful demonstration of new technologies





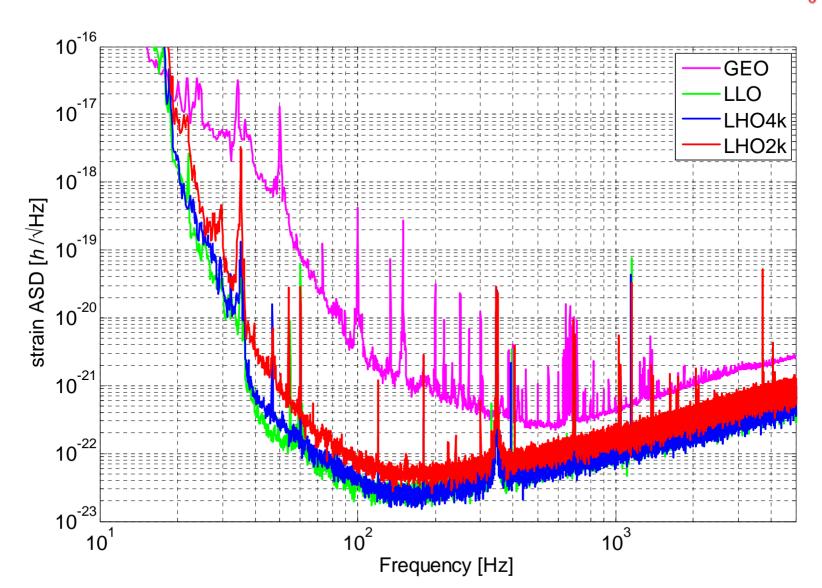
- Comissioning in late 2005:
- Joined S5 in overnight & weekend mode (January 20th)
- Joined S5 in 24/7 mode (May 1st)





#### sensitivity of LSC detectors in S5

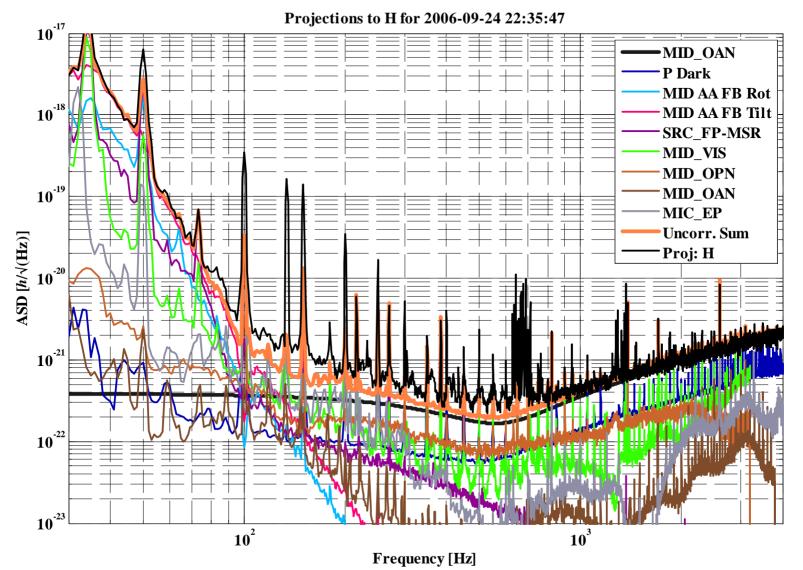






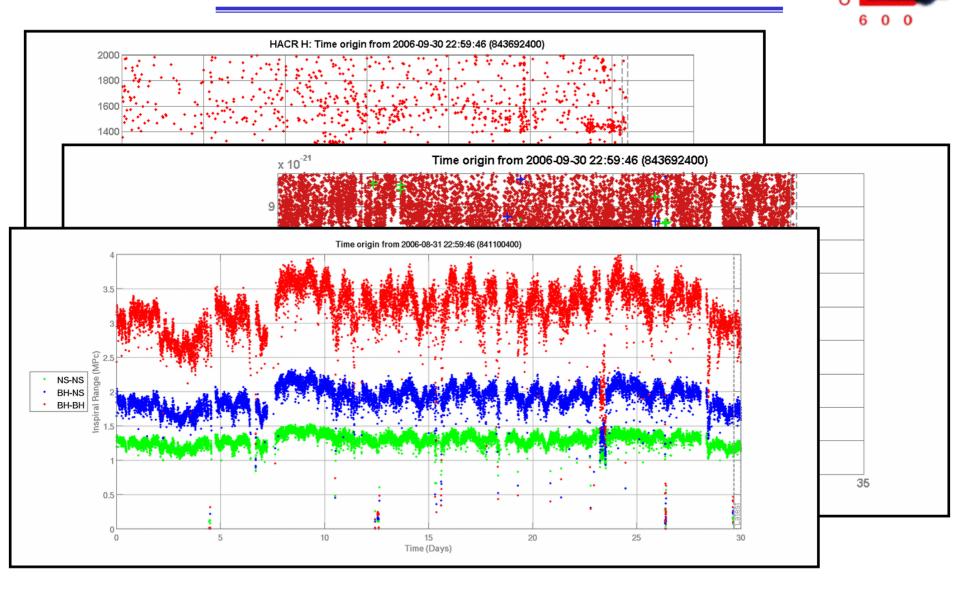
#### **Noise Projections**





#### Stationarity & Glitch Rate





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#### **Detector Characterization**

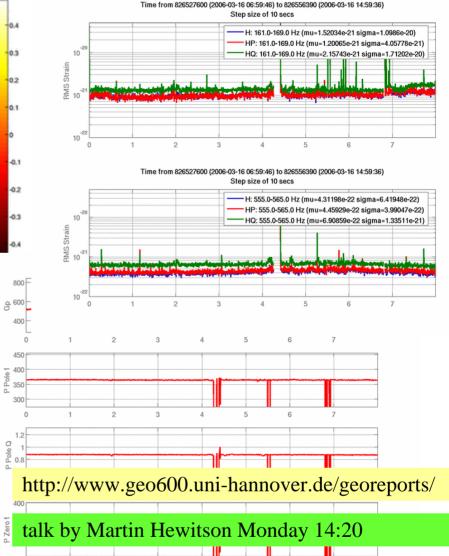
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#### segments of 8 hours:

- h(f), best single and max/min
- inspiral monitor
- HARC events (h(f), null-stream, detector channels (13 channels)
- band-limited rms
- calibration quality
- line, glitch, saturation monitor



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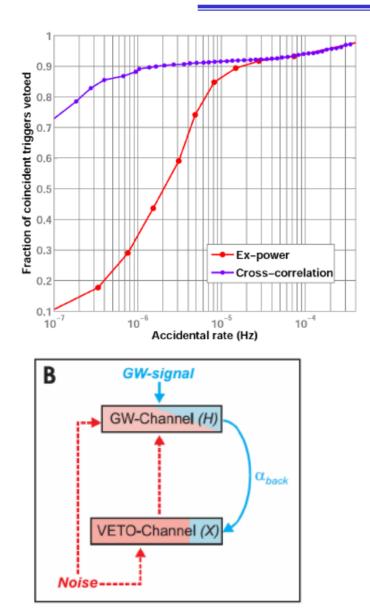
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## Veto methods





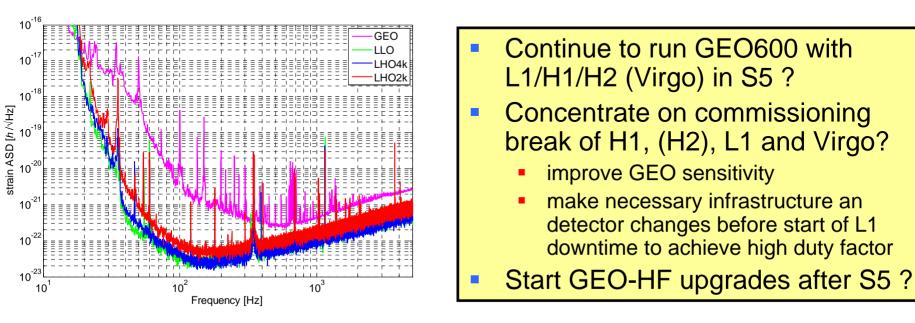
- GEO600 data is most significant in search for burst-like events
- for un-known waveforms the reduction of false alarms is very important
- experimentally reduced glitch rate in detector
- worked on veto strategies and pipelines that use additional detector information (transferfunctions) to make veto "safe"
- 'GW burst vetoes using known instrumental couplings'

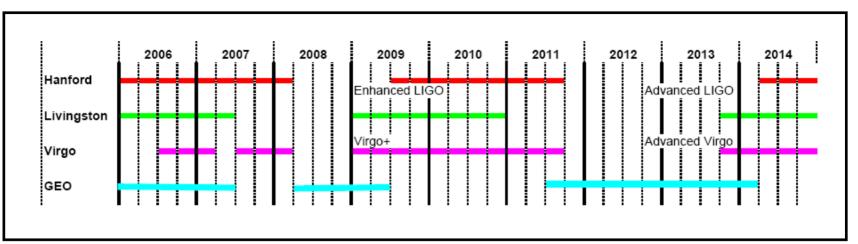
P. Ajith (Monday 15:00)

 'A statistical veto method employing a backcoupling consistency check'
 S. Hild (Monday 15:20)













- strong LSC involvement
  - asked data groups how useful GEO in its current sensitivity is during S5
  - discussed options in LSC operations committee
  - asked LIGO directorate for advice
- commissioning team was charged to analyze how GEO could be improved and what "maintenance" work was required to prepare GEO for a long science run in 2008
  - possible benefit
  - risk
  - resources required
  - how useful is this for GEO-HF ?







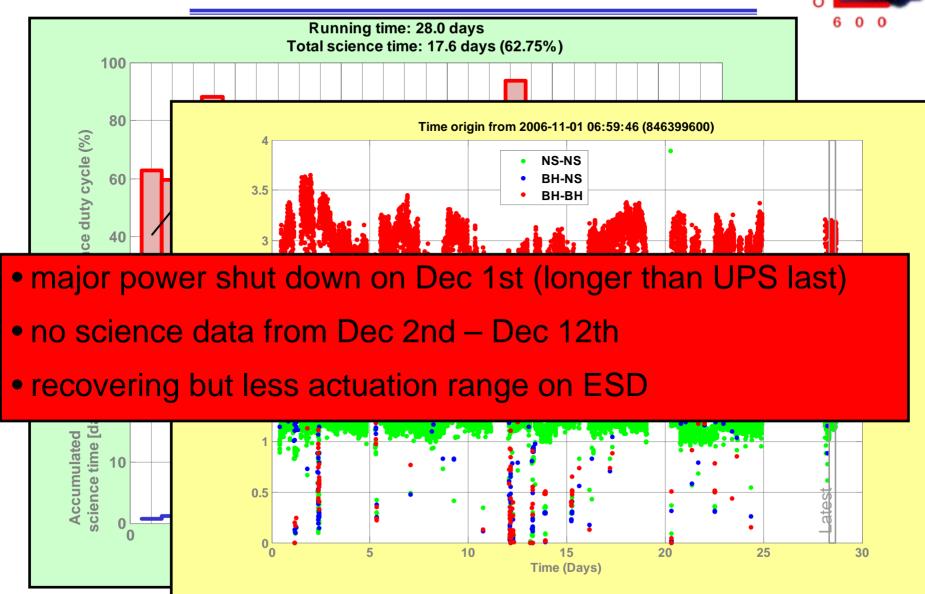
- Investigation 'week' in November
  - Power glitches (2-3 d)
  - Power measurements / shotnoise investigation (2 d)
  - Tuning to higher SR freq. (1 d)
- Time to January:
  - Preparations
  - Glitch investigations

- Commissioning period in Jan. ... +-March (9-12 w)
  - HEPA filter for cleanroom (2 d)
  - MI ESD autoalignment (2 w)
  - Power glitches (1-4 w)
  - Power build-up investigation (2 d)
  - Mains (6 d)
  - TCC venting: scattering, transl.
    Stages, HV feedthroughs (~3 w)
  - Few more small items (2f-LO, lenses, AC-decoupl., TCOc only if 2.HPD, ...) (~1 w)



#### **November Performance**







## Plans of the GEO collaboration



