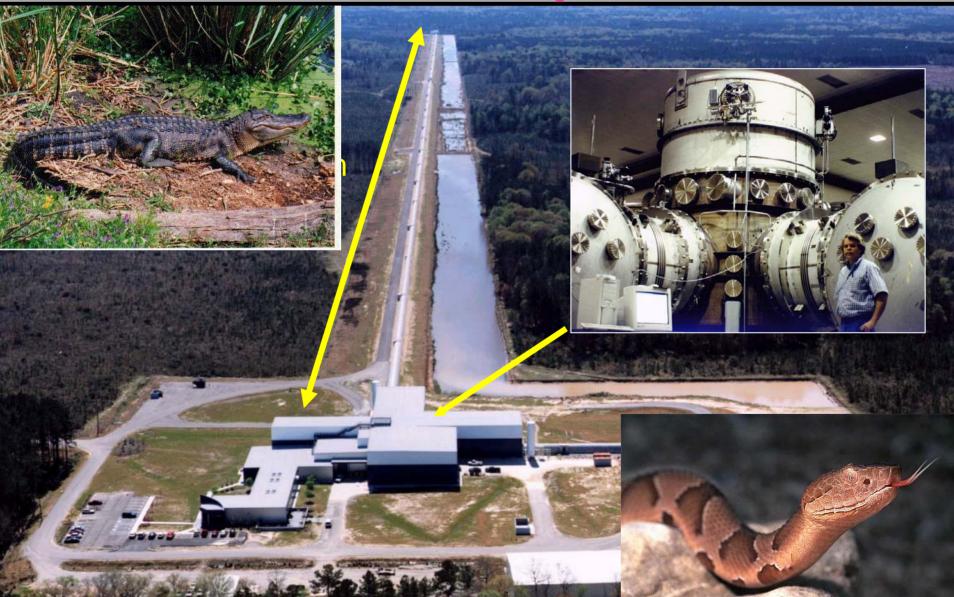
Ligo Update

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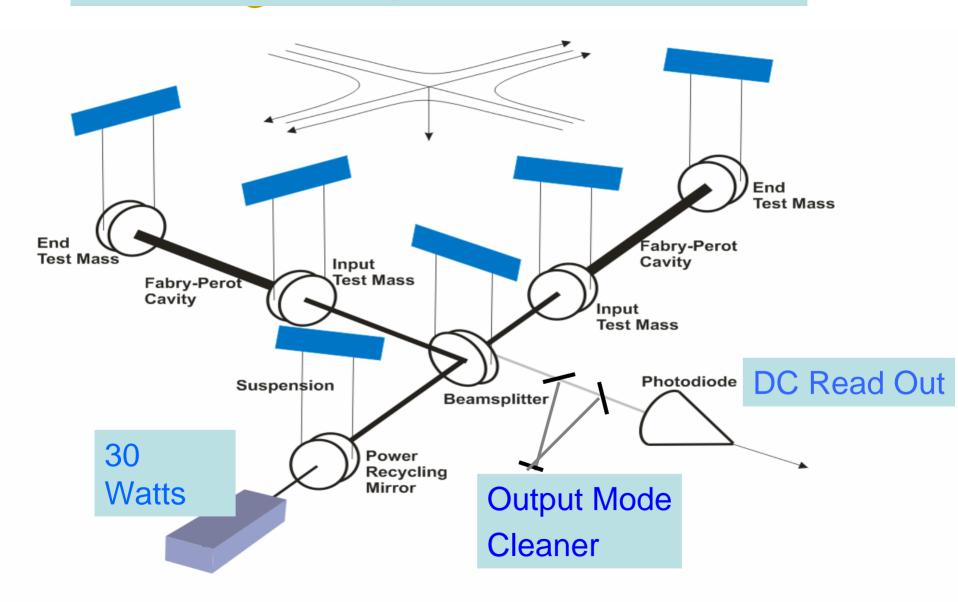




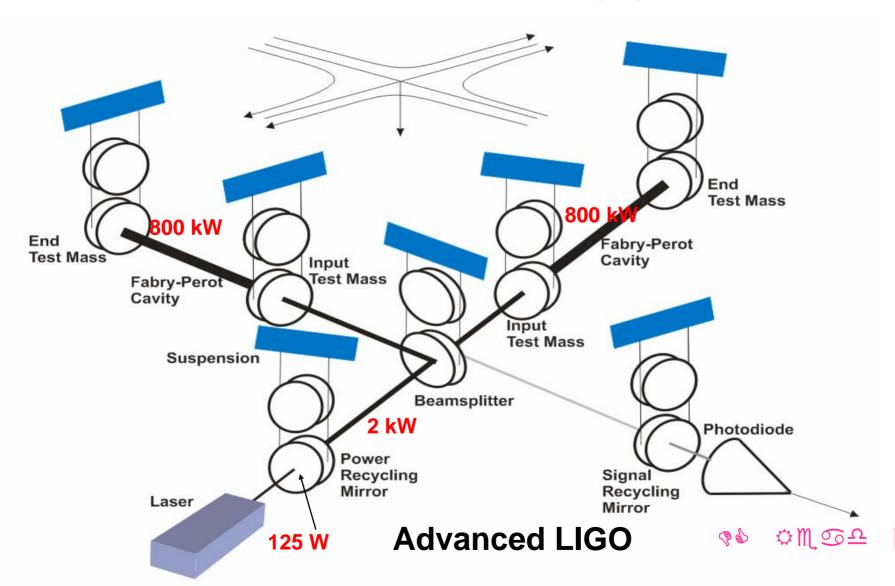




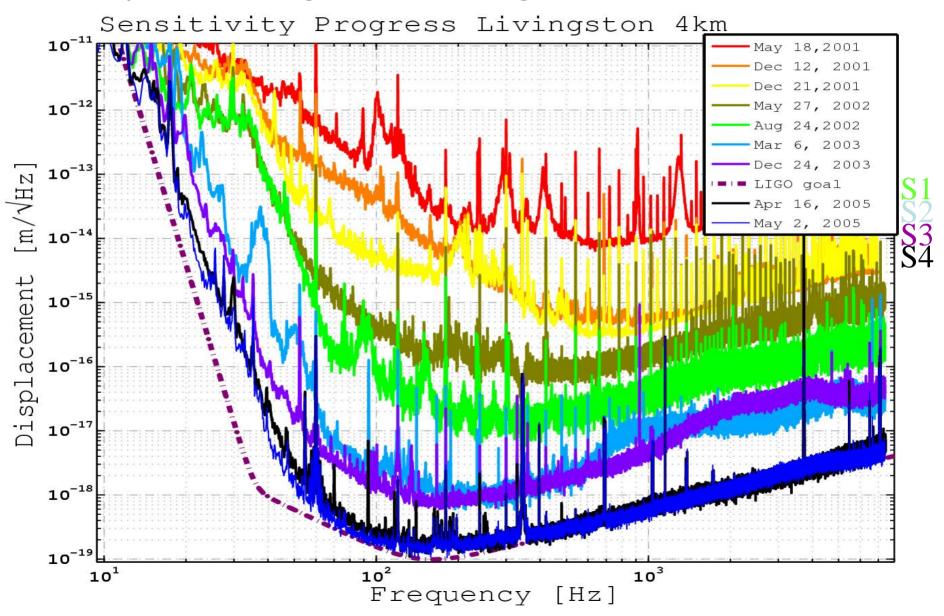
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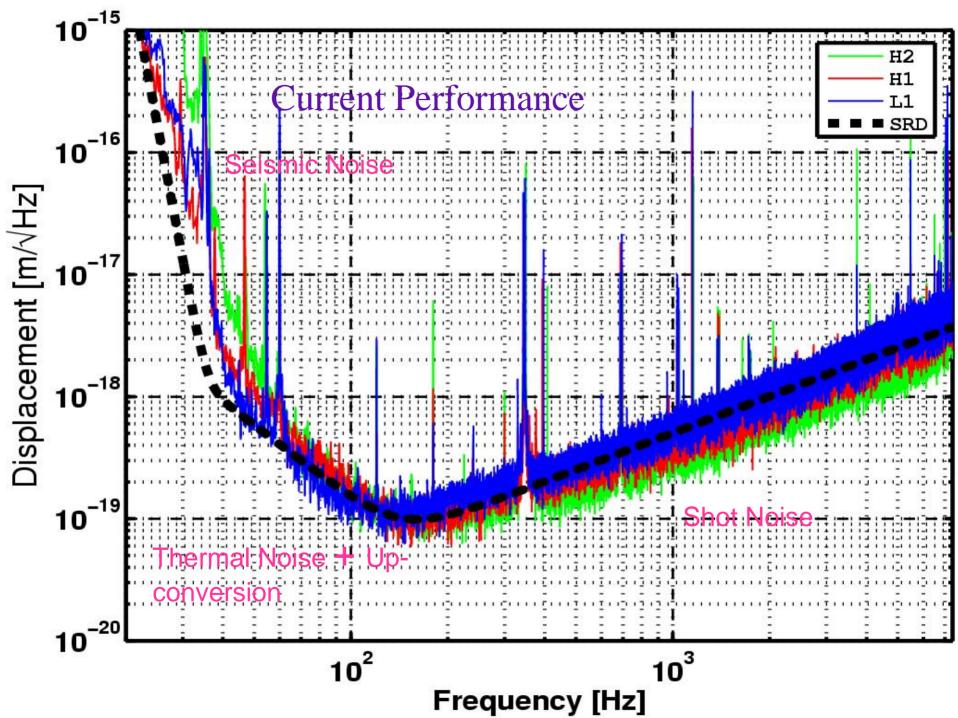


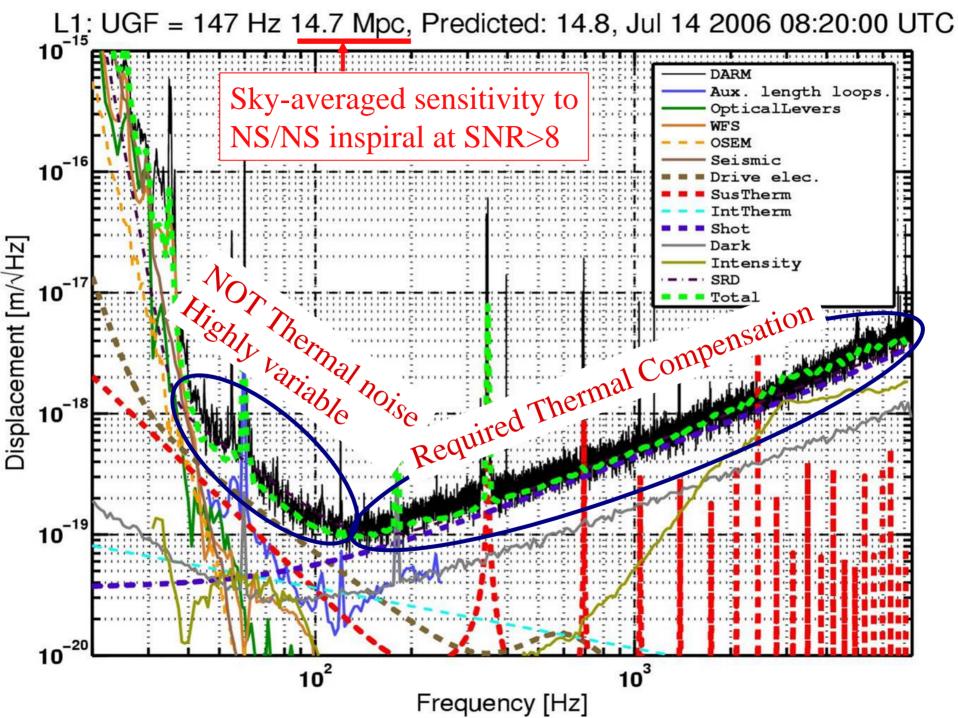
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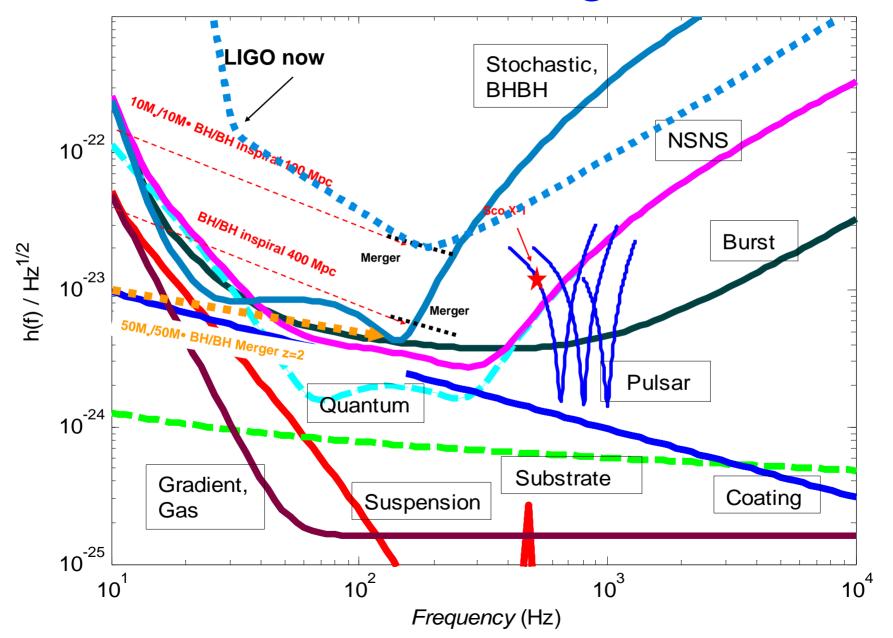
Early Noise Progression Livingston 4km

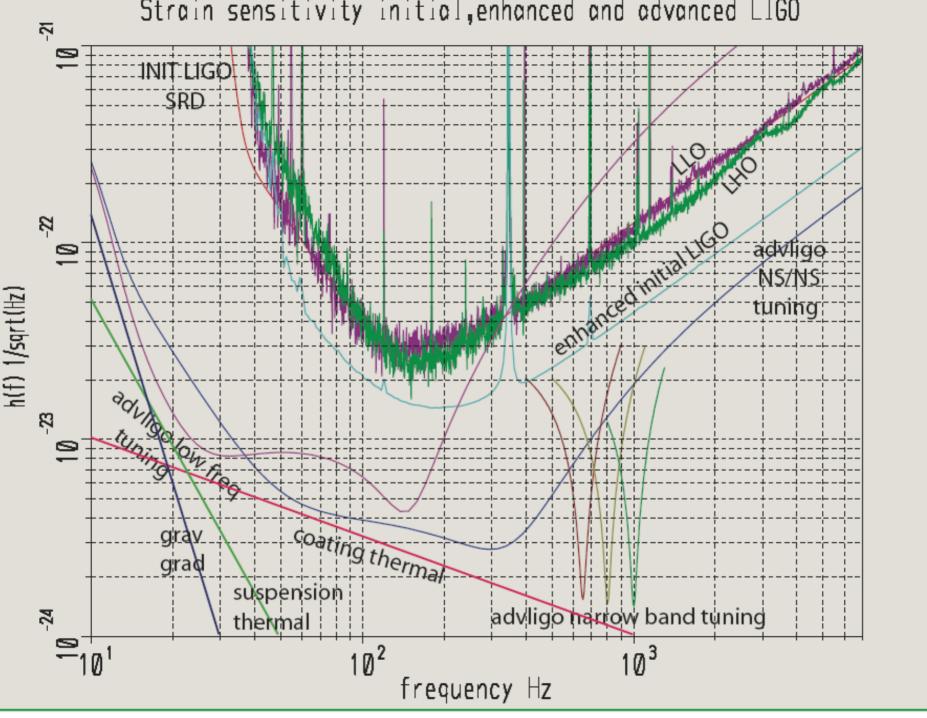




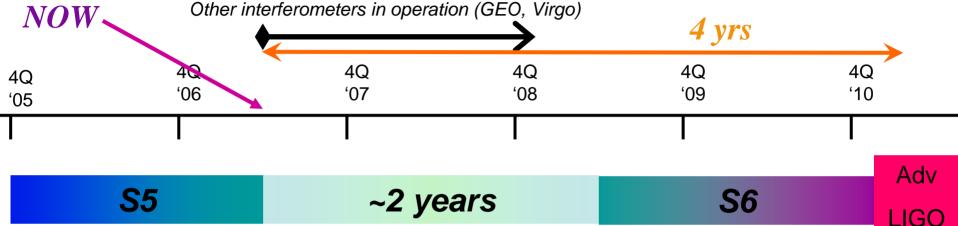


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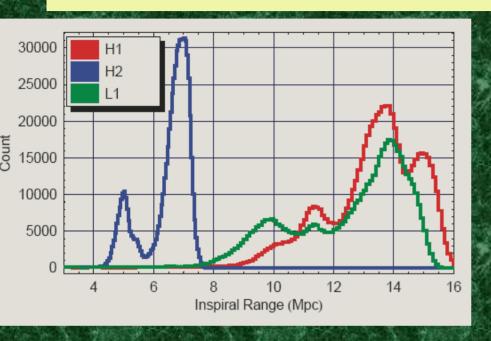


The next several years

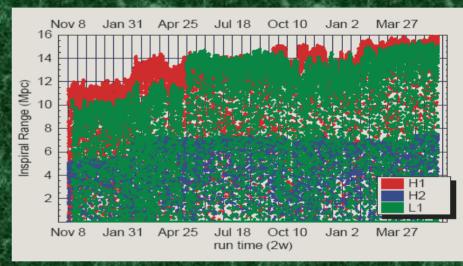


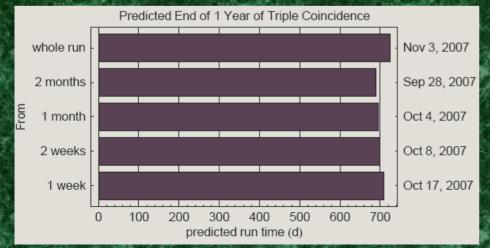
- Between now and AdvLIGO, there is some time to improve...
 - 1)~Few years of hardware improvements + 1½ year of observations.
 - 1) Factor of ~2.5 in noise, factor of ~10 in event rate.
 - 2)3-6 interferometers running in coincidence!

S5 Progress So Far

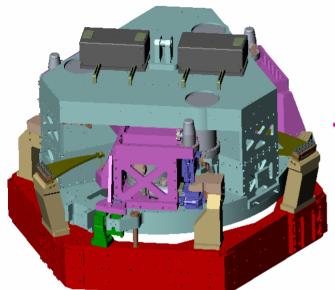


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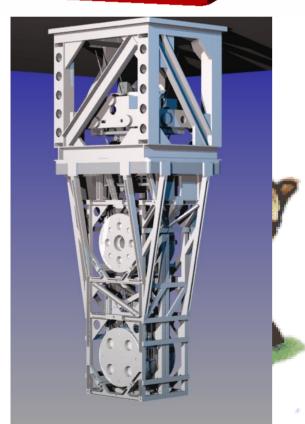


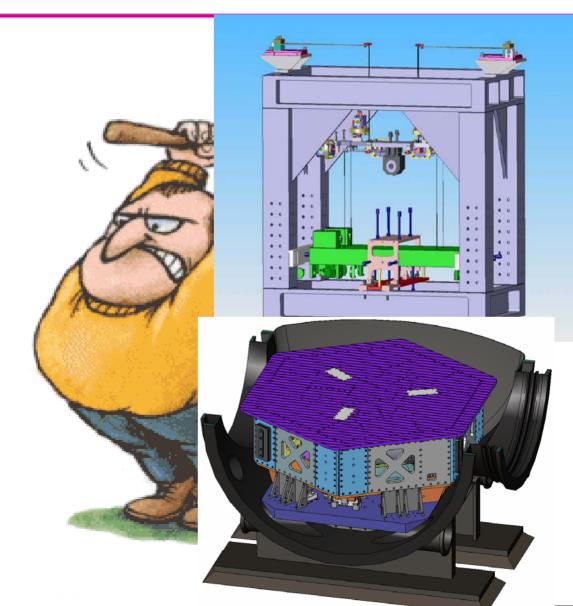


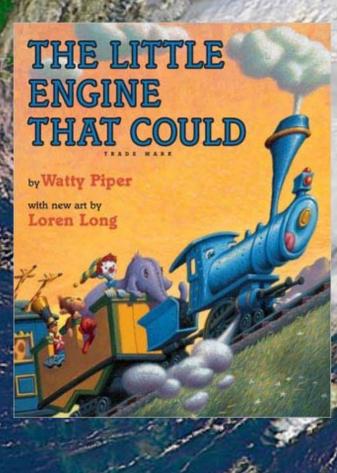




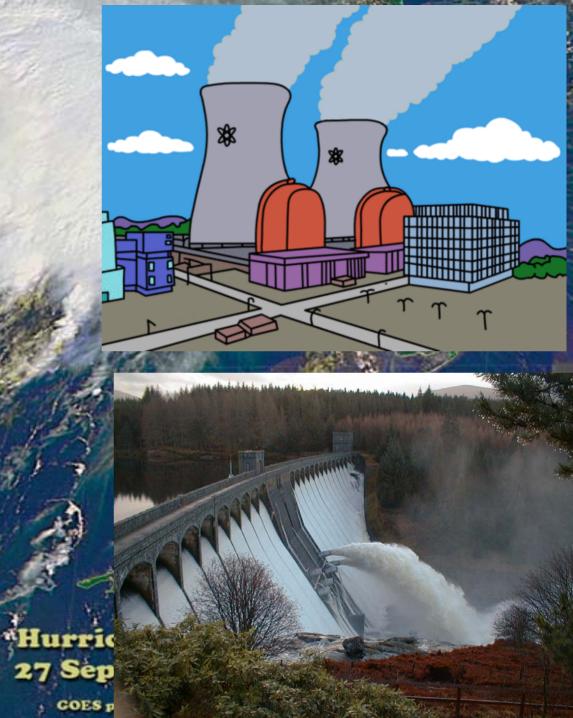


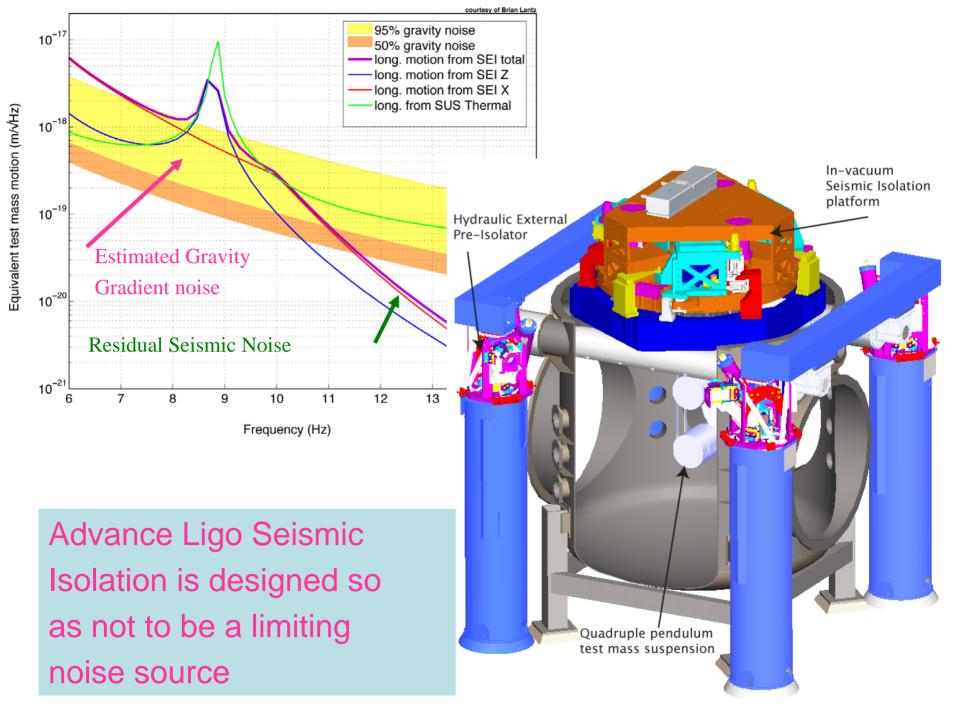












Quad Suspensions

Quadruple pendulum:

~10⁷ attenuation@10 Hz

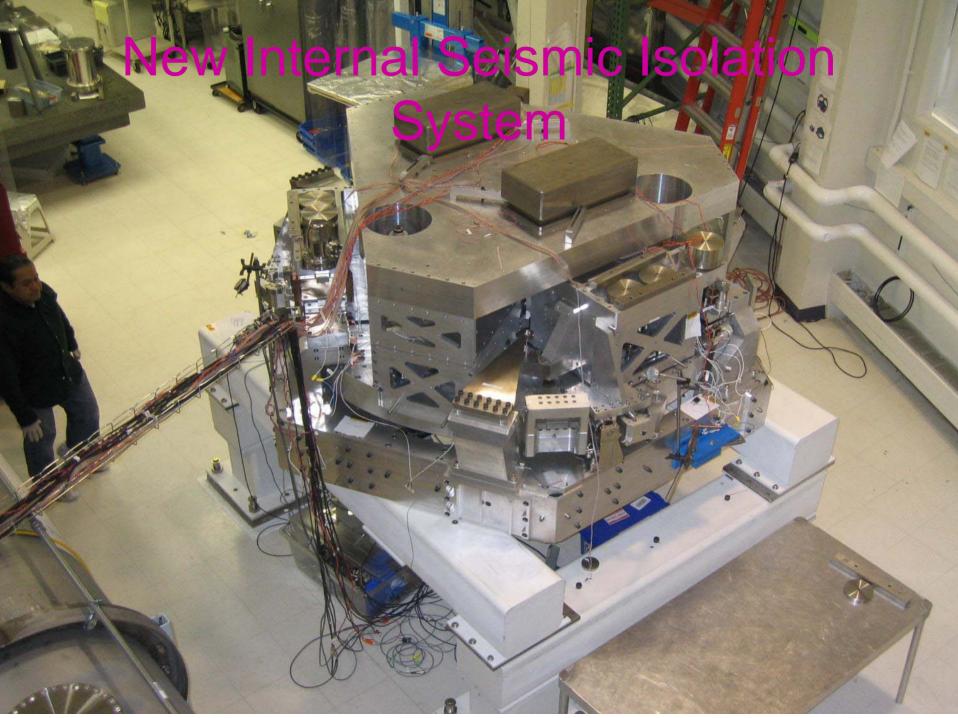
 Controls applied to upper layers; noise filtered from test masses

 Seismic isolation and suspension together: Magnets

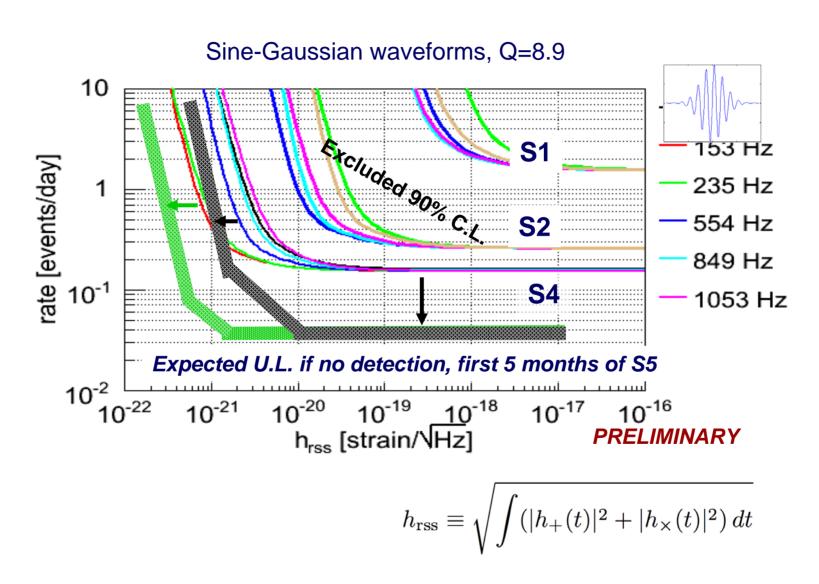
Electrostatic

□ Fused silica fiber

 Welded to 'ears', hydroxy-catalysis bonded to optic

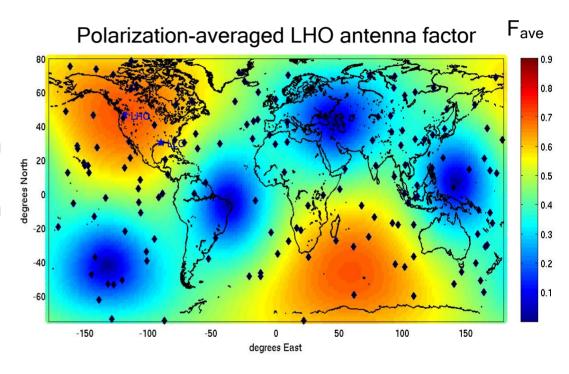


LSC Burst Search from S1 to S5



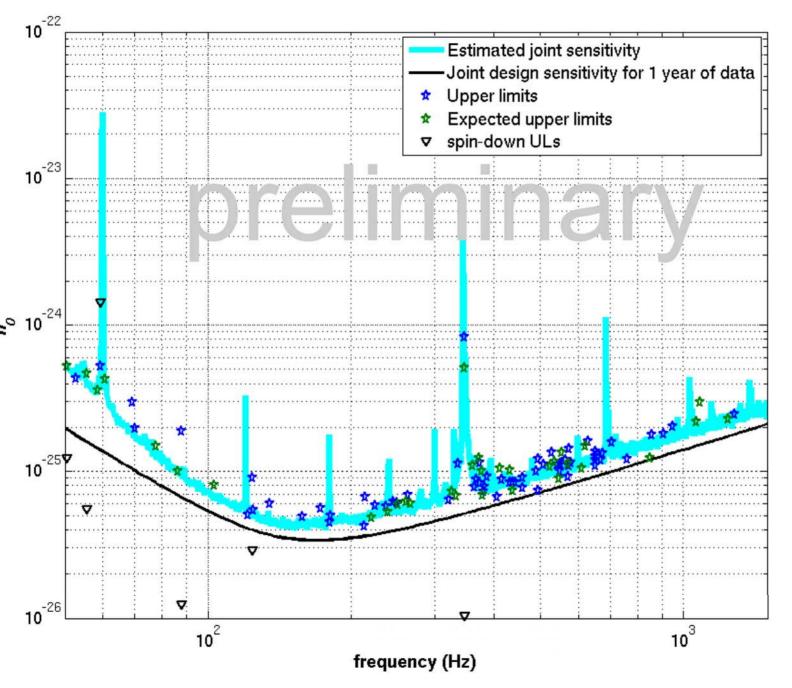
The current GRB sample for the LIGO S5 run

- 157 GRB triggers from November 4, 2005 to March 31, 2007
 - ~70% with double-IFO coincidence LIGO data
 - ~40% with triple-IFO coincidence LIGO data
 - ~25% with redshift
 - ~10% short-duration GRBs
 - all but two have have position information



LIGO sensitivity depends on GRB position

analysis is ongoing



- Black curve represents one full year of data for all three interferometers running at design sensitivity
- Blue stars represent pulsars for which we are reasonably confident of having phase coherence with the signal model
- Green stars represent pulsars for which there is uncertainty about phase coherence

Crab pulsar - result

- These results give upper limits for the Crab pulsar of ε < 2.8x10⁻⁴, h_0 < 5.2x10⁻²⁵
 - » this value of the ellipticity is now in the range of some of the more speculative equations of state (Owen, 2005)
- These beat the spin-down limit of h_0 < 1.4x10⁻²⁴ by a factor of 2.7 for canonical moment of inertia I = 10^{38} kgm² we even beat Palomba's limit
- Start to constrain the amount of spindown energy in GWs to less than 10% of overall emitted and known spin-down (Palomba, 2000, Santostasi).
 - » This is significant: the uncertainties on all non-GW contributions add up to 80% of the total!
- Moment of inertia is uncertain by about a factor of three, but we can plot the result on the moment of inertia – ellipticity plane to give exclusion regions (Pitkin for the LSC, 2005)

