

# **H1 Squeezer Review**

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# Motivation

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- ❑ High power operation in future detectors
  - Biggest remaining technical risk (after DC readout)
  - Squeezing allows for lower laser power
- ❑ Squeezer technology now ready
  - 7 dB of squeezing down to 10 Hz
  - Has been demonstrated on a bench and on interferometers (40M)

## Missing: Low frequency noise demonstration

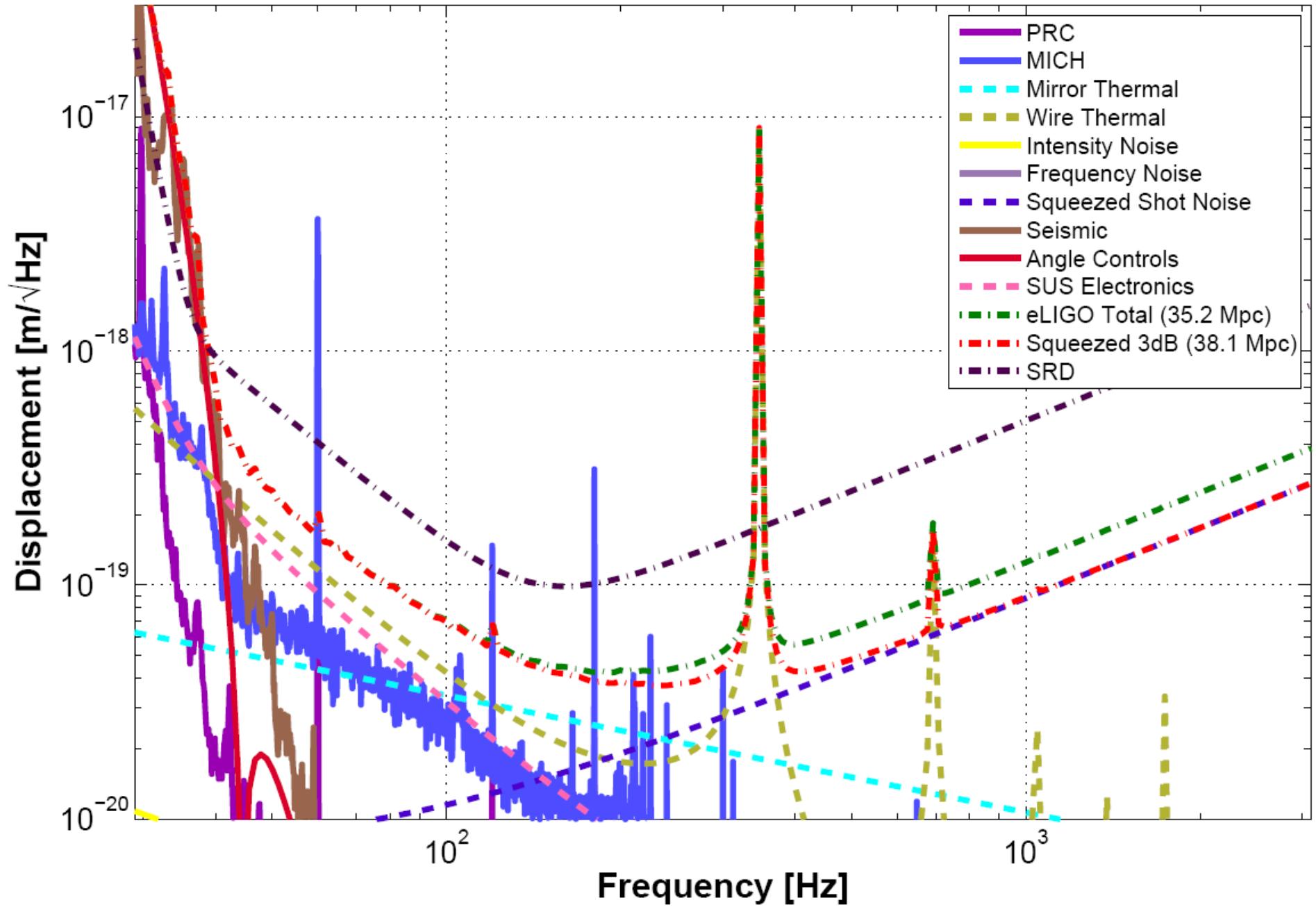
- ❑ Planned Experiments
  - GEO600: prototype for long baseline interferometers
  - Hanford H1: low noise at low frequency

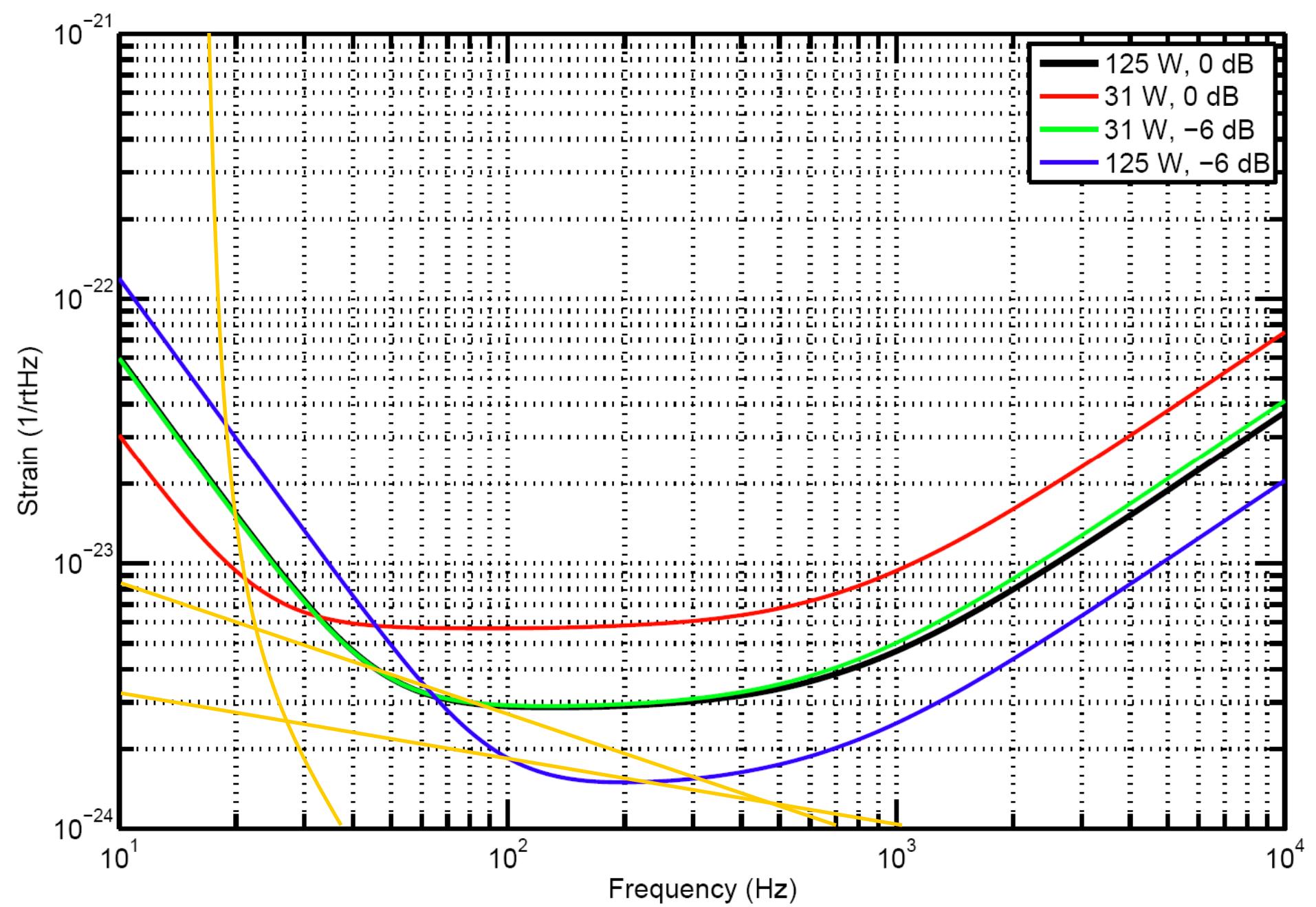
# Goal of the H1 Squeezer Experiment

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- Demonstrate squeezing at low frequency with a high sensitive long baseline interferometer
  - Demonstrate 3 dB of squeezing at frequencies where we are shot noise limited
  - Do not introduce noise at other frequencies!
- Build a squeezer which could be readily turned into an advanced LIGO upgrade
  - Fully engineered optical breadboard
  - Use LIGO type electronics and controls
  - Prepare for long-term reliability investigations
- Be ready for a test on H1 after S6

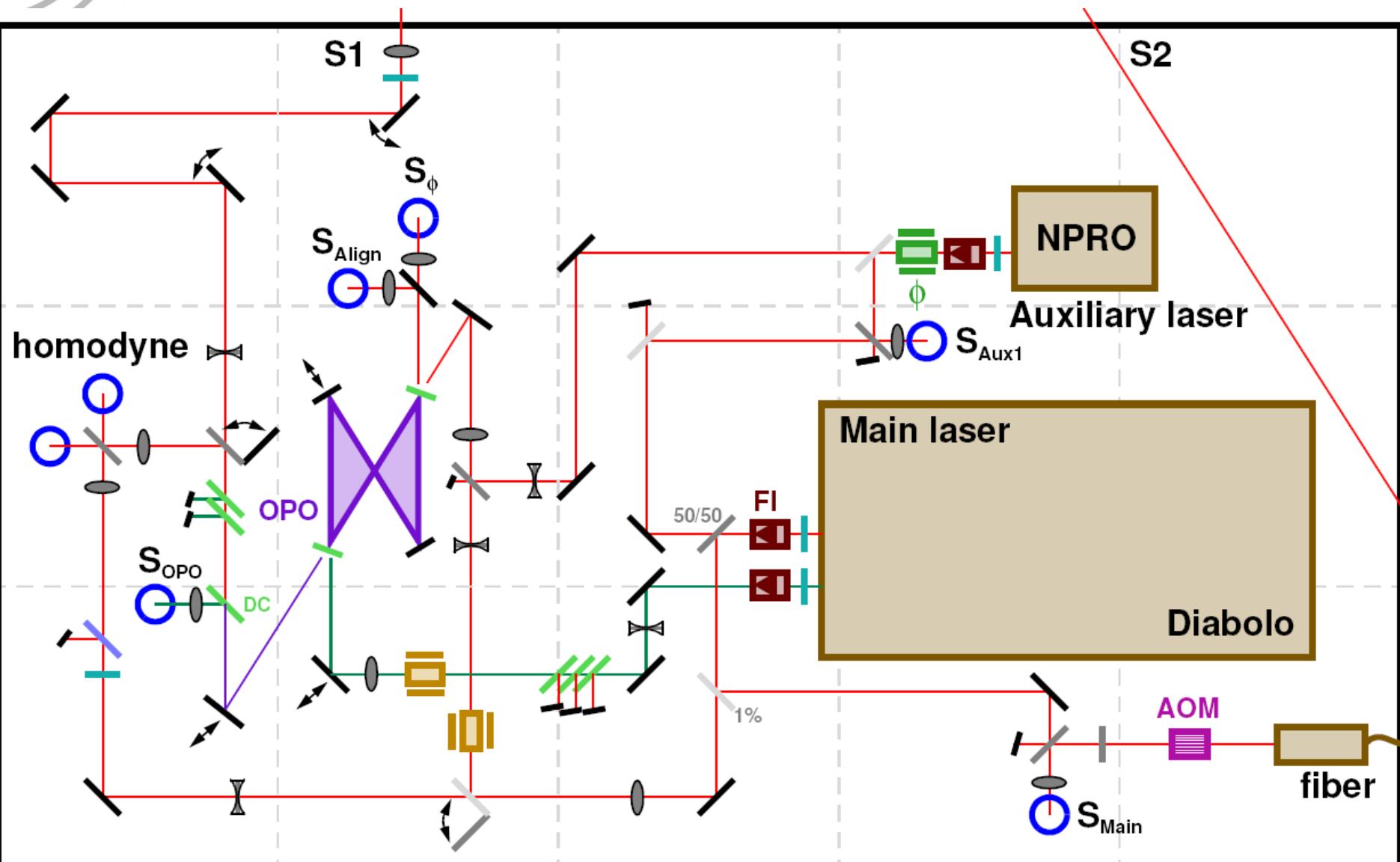
# Squeezed Enhanced LIGO, 30 W





# Baseline Design

- Inject into HAM4
  - SQT4 opposite of ISCT4
  - New advanced LIGO Faraday design
- Optical breadboard 5' x 3'
- 1W frequency double Nd:YAG laser
  - Locked to interferometer laser by fiber
- Auxiliary laser for frequency shifted subcarrier
- Optical parametric oscillator (OPO)
  - Doubly resonant
  - Bowtie configuration
  - Non-linear crystal: PPKTP



# Servos

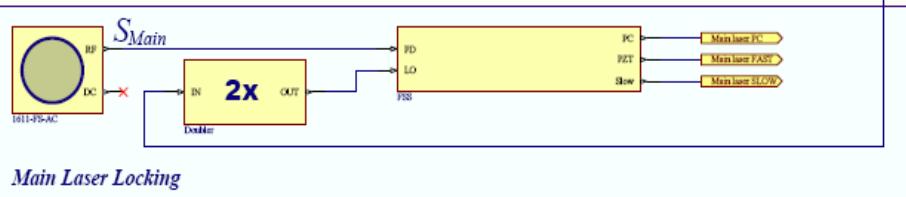
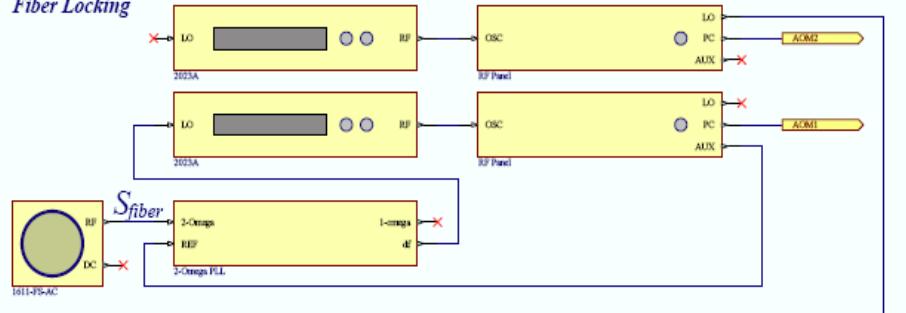
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- Fiber stabilization: Feed forward
- Main laser offset-locked to probe beam
  - Use initial LIGO FSS
  - Pockels cell & PZT & thermal actuator
- Auxiliary laser offset-locked to main laser
- OPO: PDH on green light
  - PDH on probe beam at carrier frequency for alignment
- Squeezer phase & LO phase
  - Subcarrier sensing
  - Feedback to PZT mirror in green and squeezed light paths
- Homodyne detector for verifying squeezing

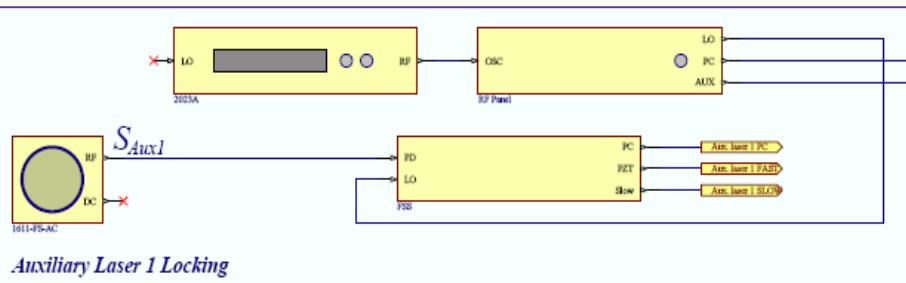
# Electronics Setup

- Compensation networks too fast for digital servos
  - Look-and-feel of a PSL system
- Remote controls: EtherCat from Beckhoff
  - Same as in Advanced LIGO laser
  - EPICS interface through OPC server
  - Can be used stand-alone with a PC or control panel
- LIGO electronics wherever possible
  - FSS, CM/MC board, RF distribution, demodulator, phase shifter, ...
  - PZT actuators from Physik Instrumente
  - No WFSs!

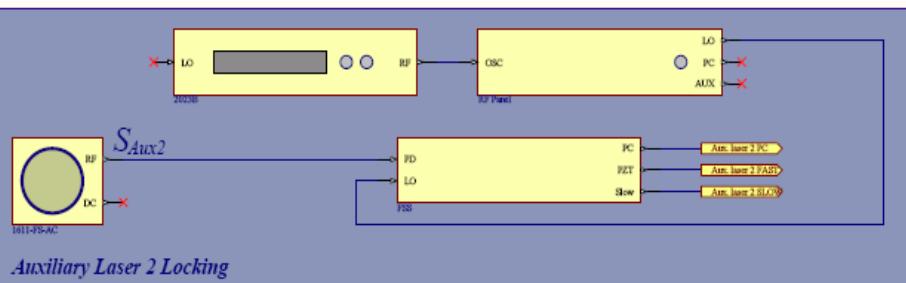
### Fiber Locking



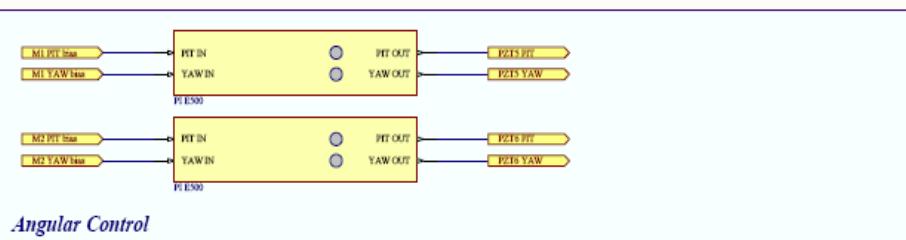
### Main Laser Locking



### Auxiliary Laser 1 Locking

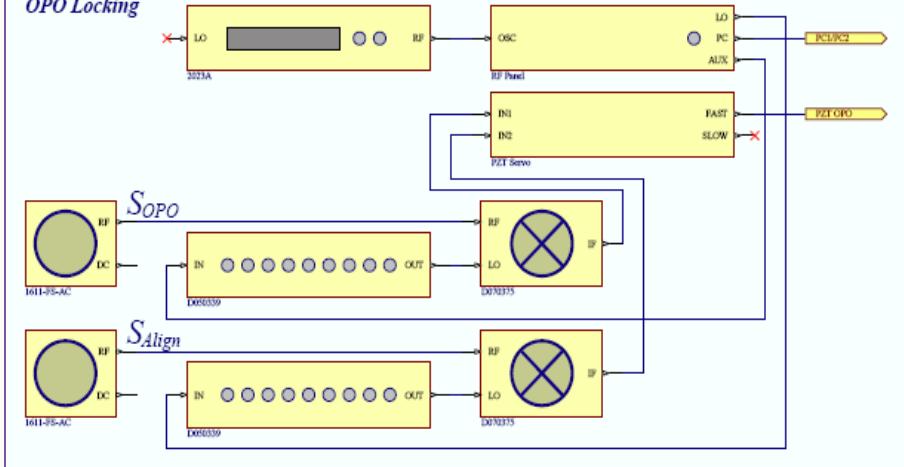


### Auxiliary Laser 2 Locking

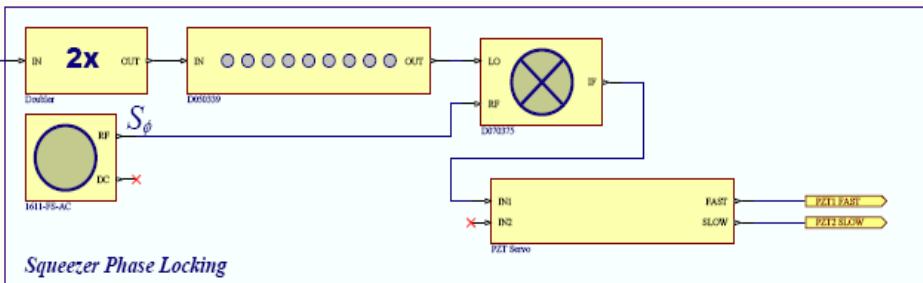
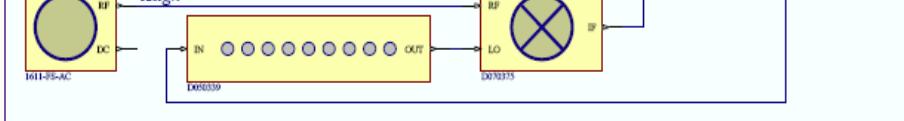


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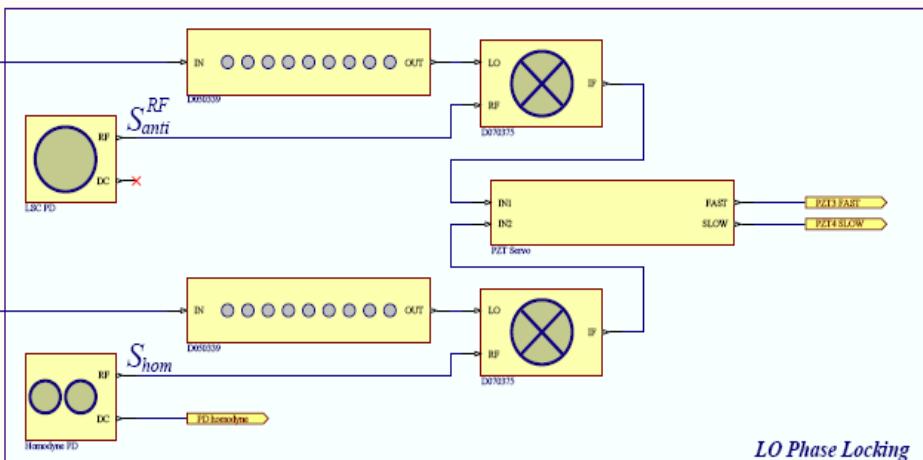
### OPO Locking



### S<sub>Align</sub>



### Squeezing Phase Locking



### LO Phase Locking

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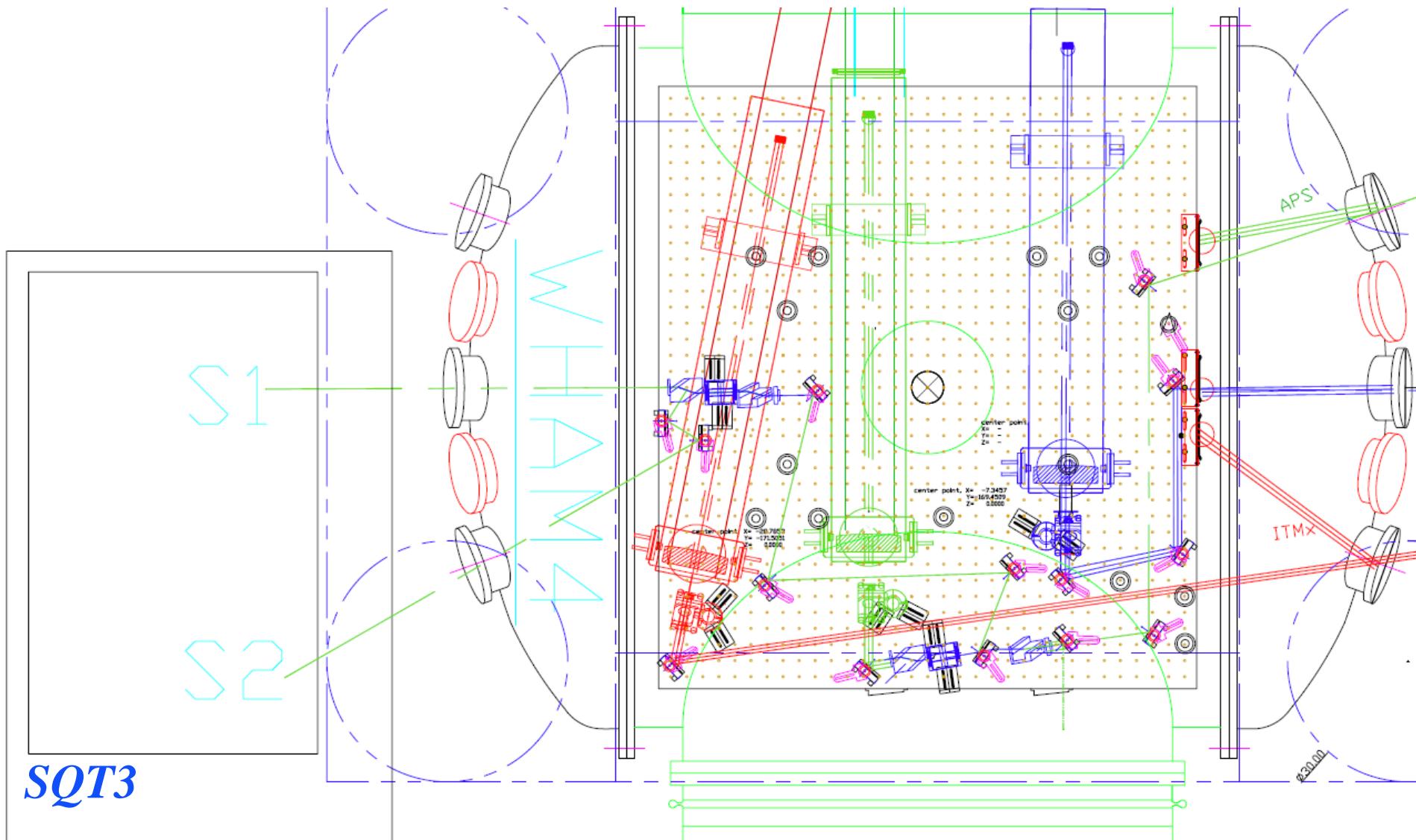
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- ❑ OPO: see ANU presentation
- ❑ SHG
  - Diabolo laser system comes with an integrated SHG
  - Need to address internal scattering issues
- ❑ Auxiliary lasers
  - Scattering of AOMs too much trouble
  - Freedom to choose subcarrier frequency
  - A singly-resonant cavity would require a 2<sup>nd</sup> auxiliary laser to lock it
- ❑ Fiber stabilization
- ❑ In-vacuum AS-port Faraday isolator
  - Develop advanced LIGO unit

# Technical Issues (2)

- Scattering paths
  - Inject opposite ISCT4
  - Second in-vacuum Faraday isolator in injection path
  - Baffling on the optical breadboard
- Long-term reliability
  - Squeezer will be available after H1 experiment
- SQT4
  - Reuse ISCT3
  - Mount table high to avoid a periscope
- Initial Alignment
  - Use rejected beam from Faraday in injection path as a fiducial

## HAM4 Layout





# Squeezing GEO600

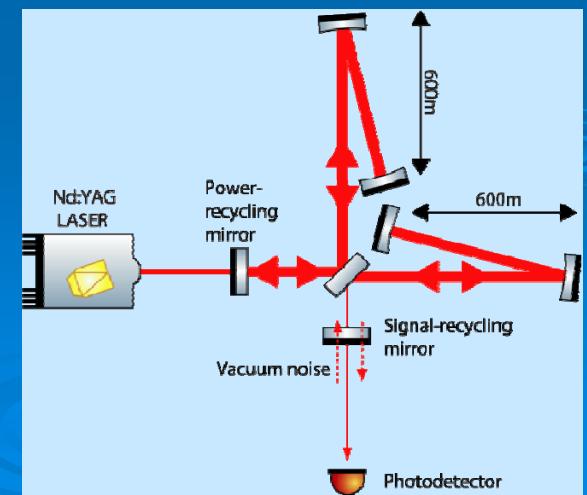
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# Current GEO600 operation mode

- Dual recycling; detuned to 550Hz
- SR transmission 2%
- Heterodyne read-out 15MHz
- 3 kW inside PR cavity



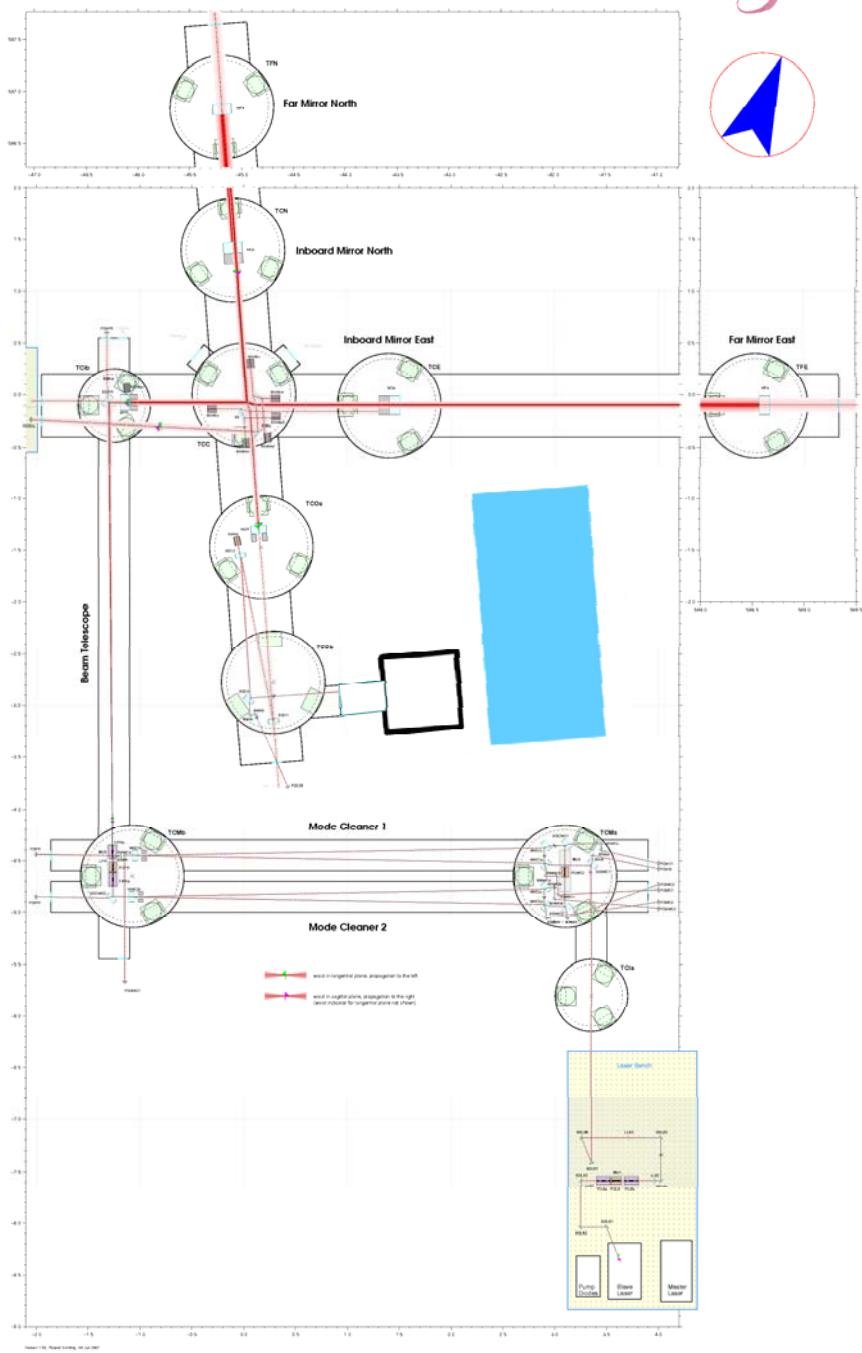


# Plans

- Astrowatch + low-risk commissioning until 'Enhanced' IFOs come online (spring 2009 )
- Keywords: DC readout, squeezing, OMC, higher power, thermal comp., tuned SR, lower SR factor, extended digital control...
- Goal: demonstration of long term stable operation of GEO-HF with squeezed light @ improved sensitivity



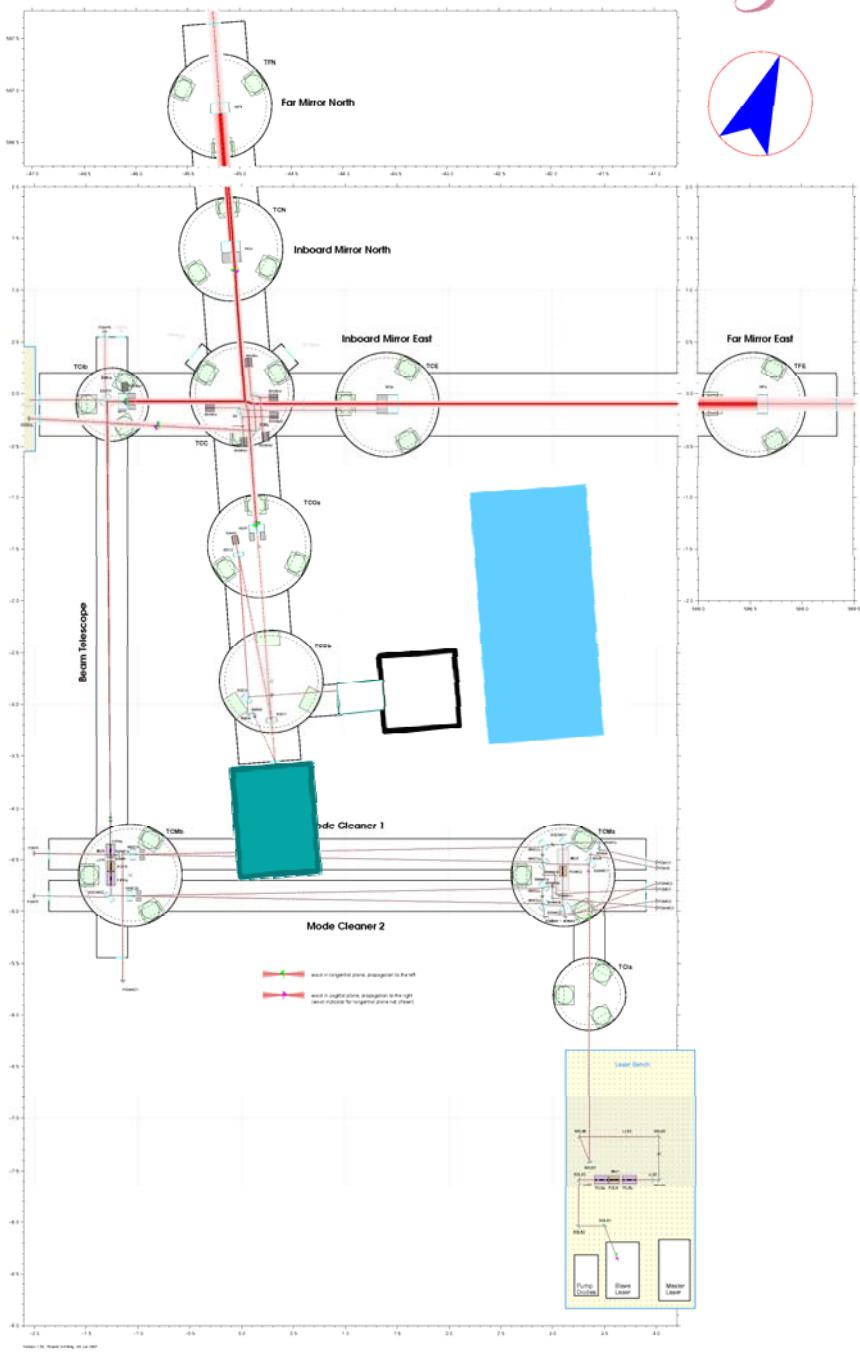
# GEO 600 optical layout



**Now:**

- Auto Alignment on detection bench
  - Main photo detector on detection bench outside vacuum system

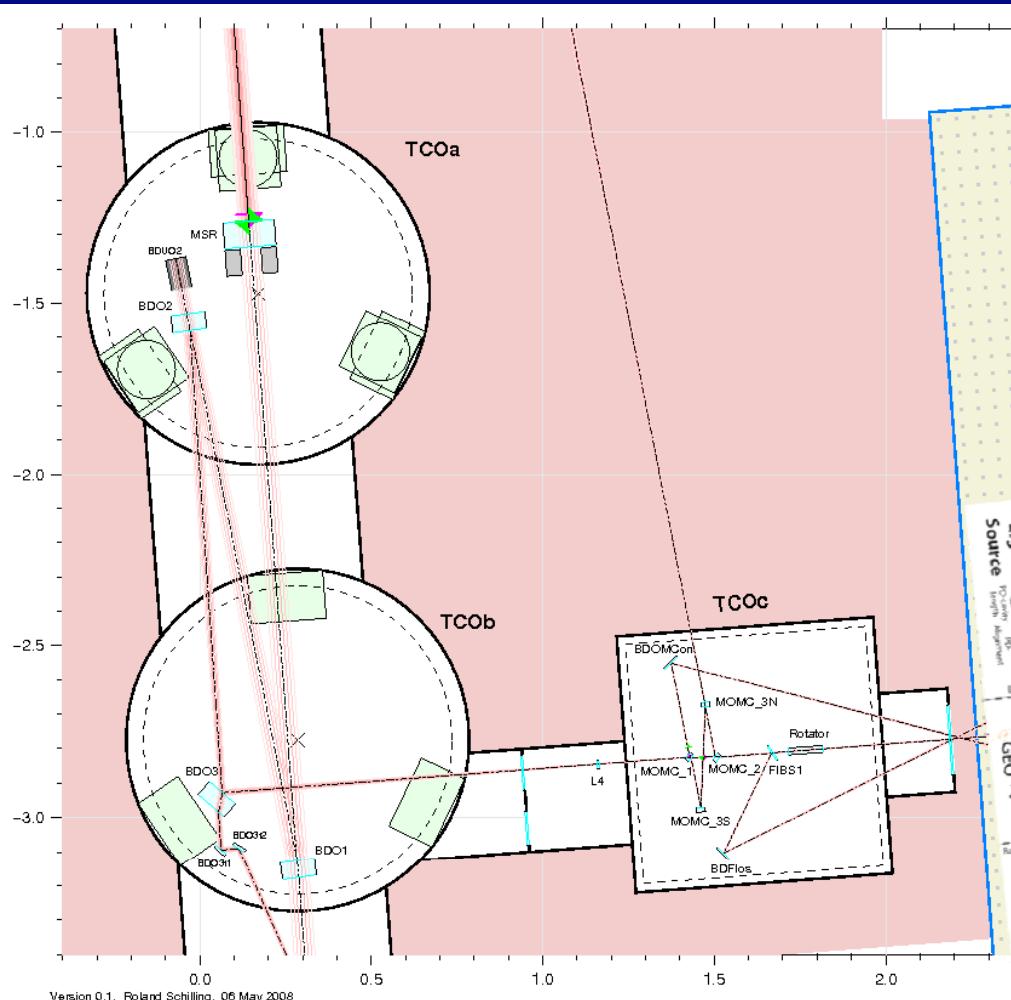
## GEO 600 optical layout



Then:

- Auto Alignment on new AA bench
- Main photo detector in additional vacuum tank
- OMC to reduce higher order TEM mode contributions to detected light
- > less technical problems with PD @ higher light levels

# GEO HF layout Output section

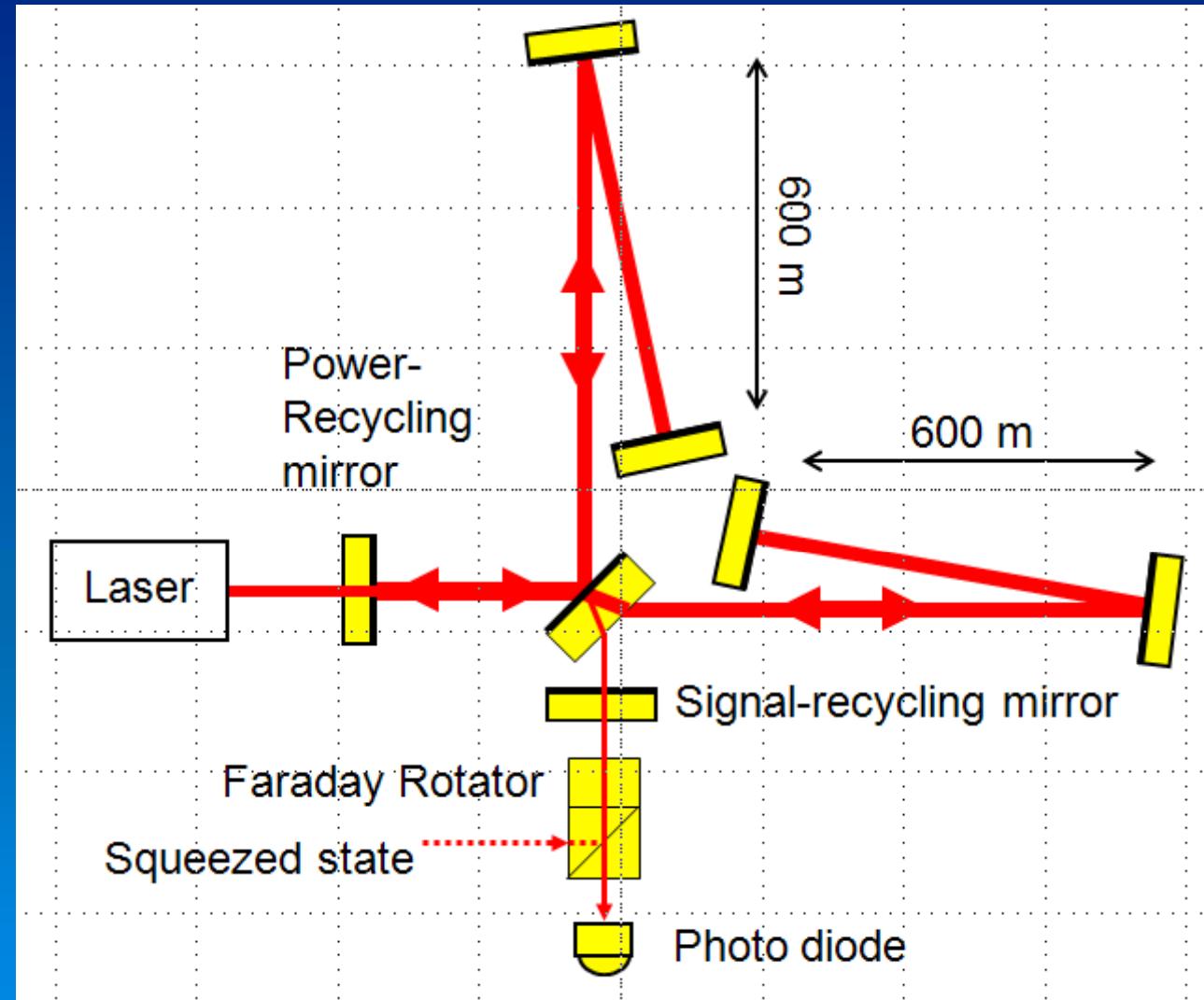


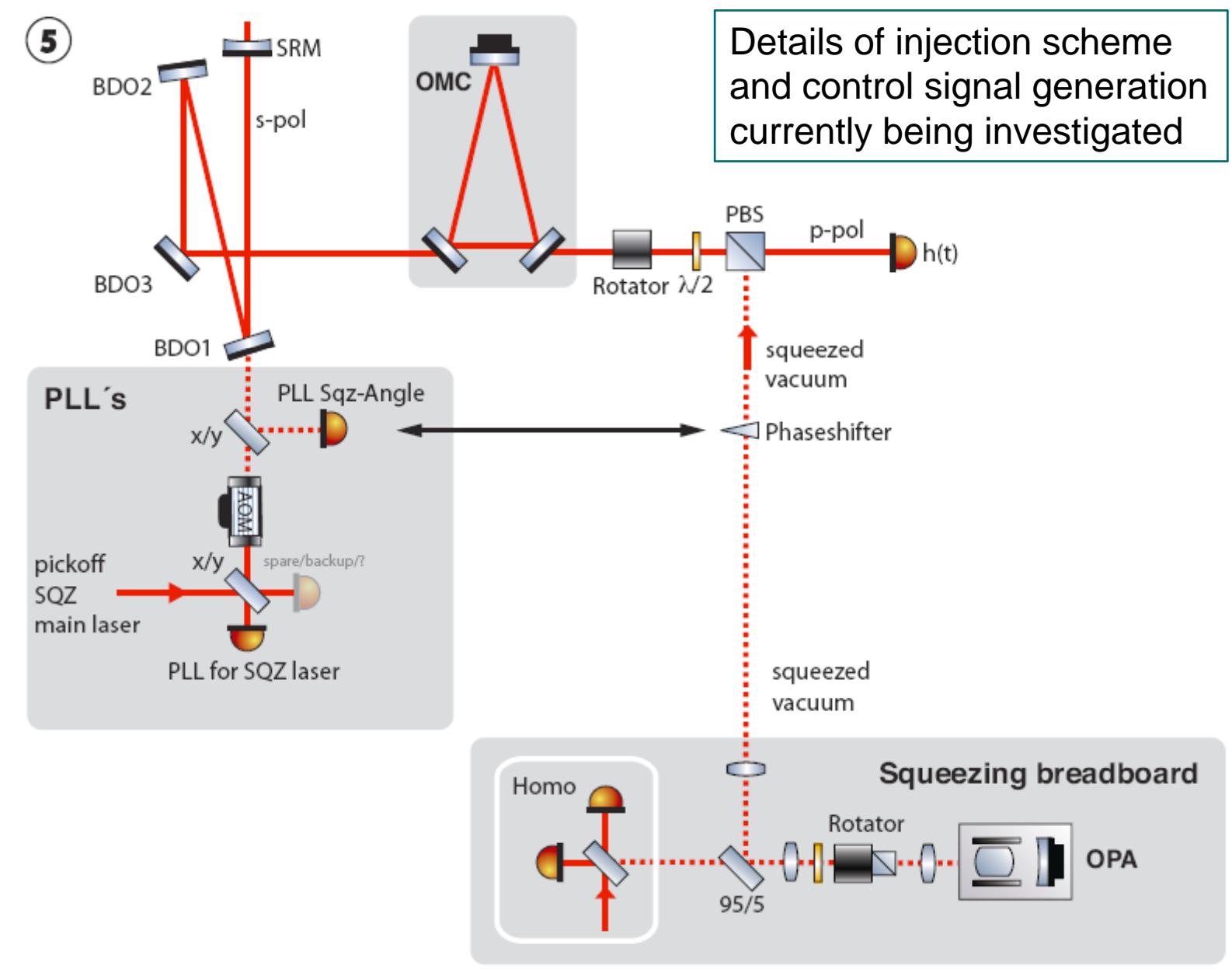
Inject squeezed light  
to lower shot noise

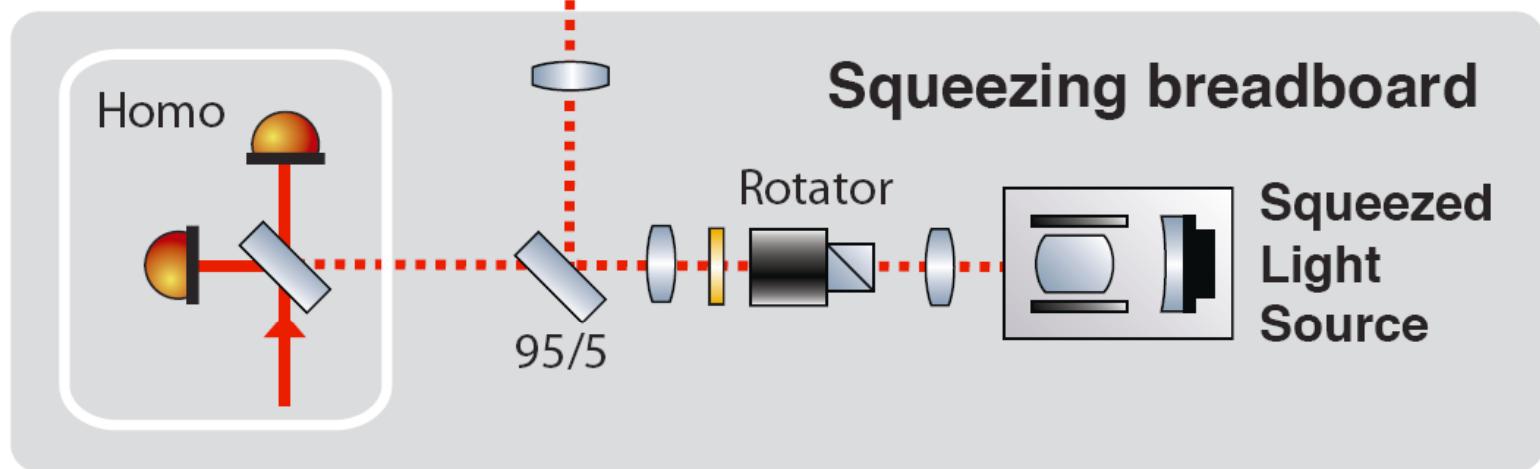
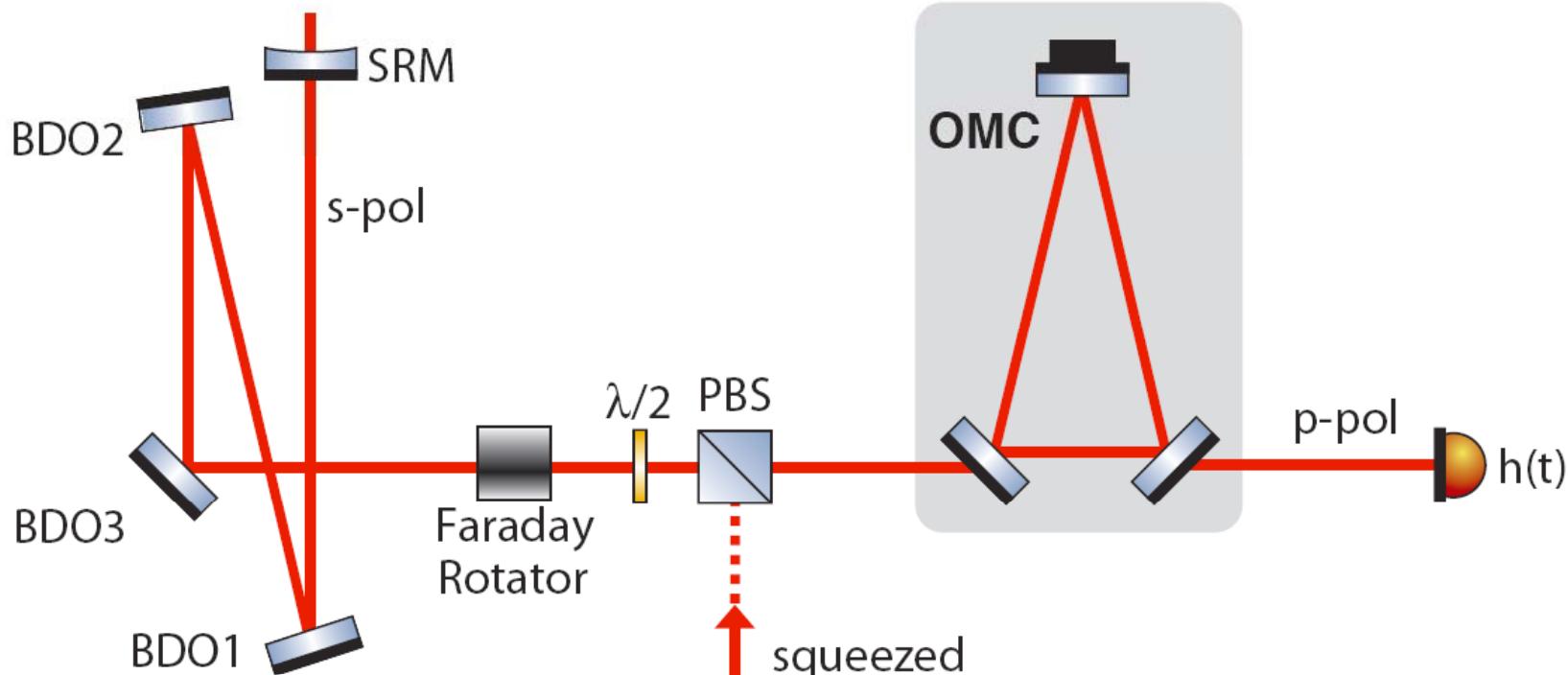


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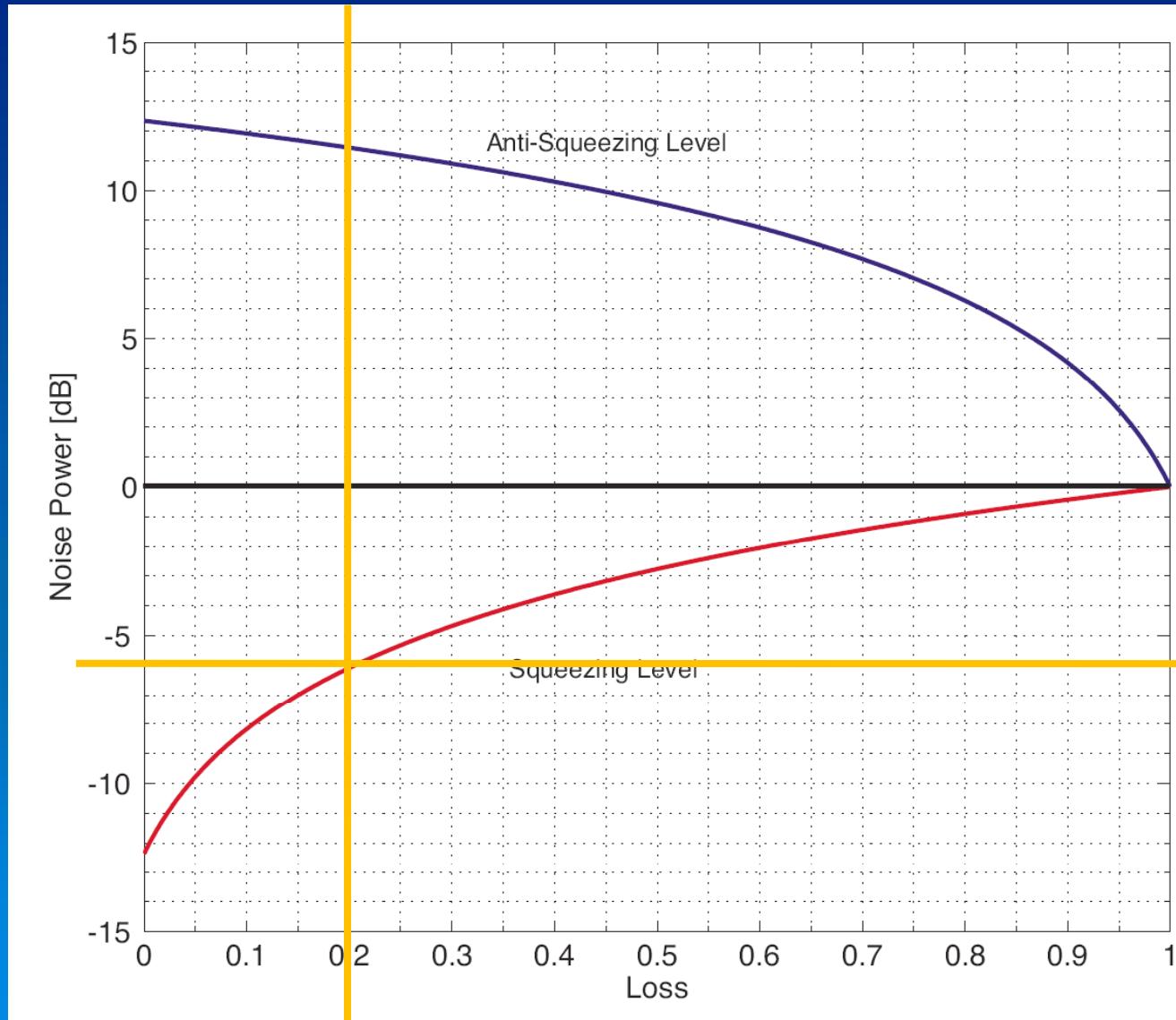
# Schematics of injecting squeezed light



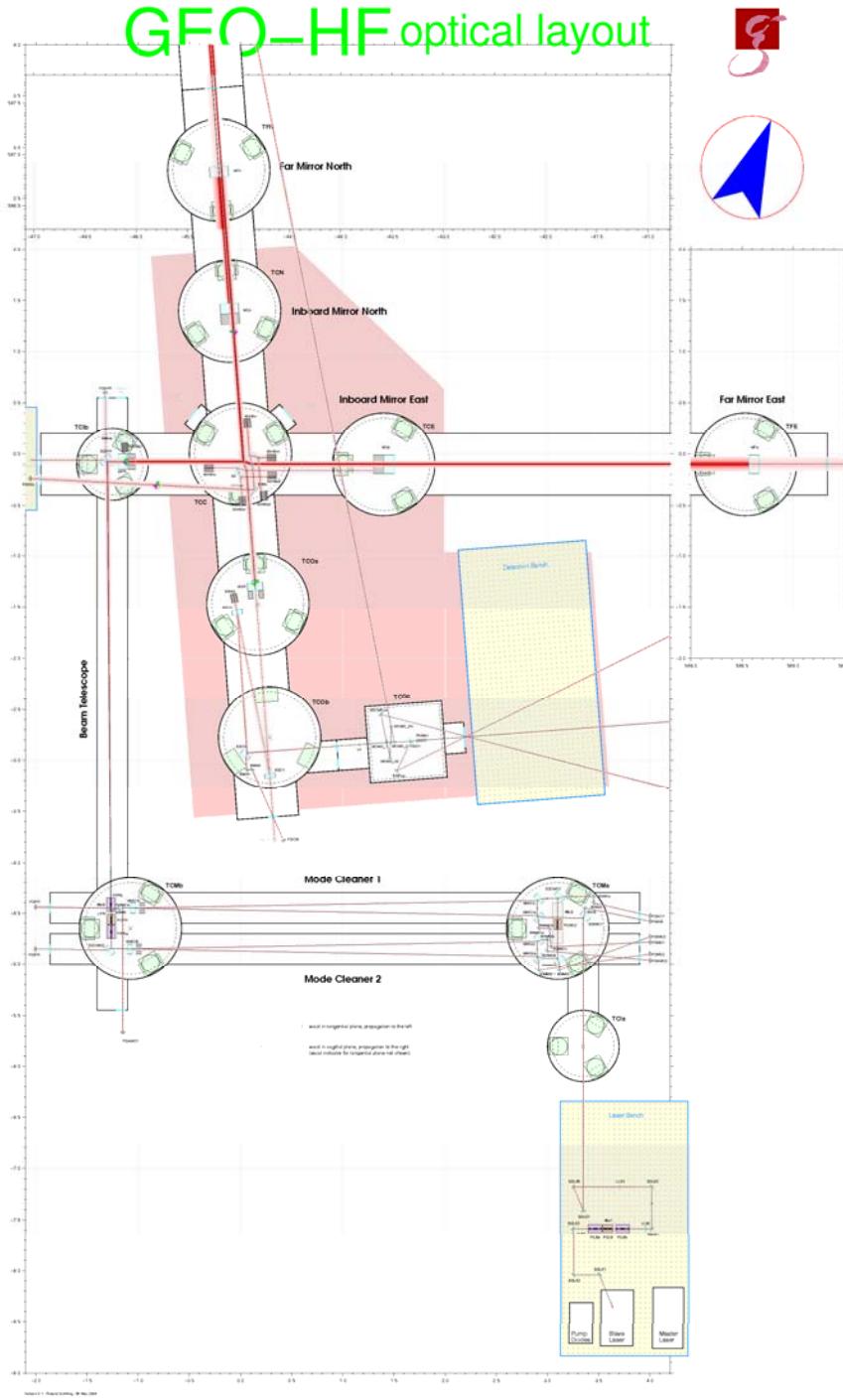




# Squeezed light and optical losses



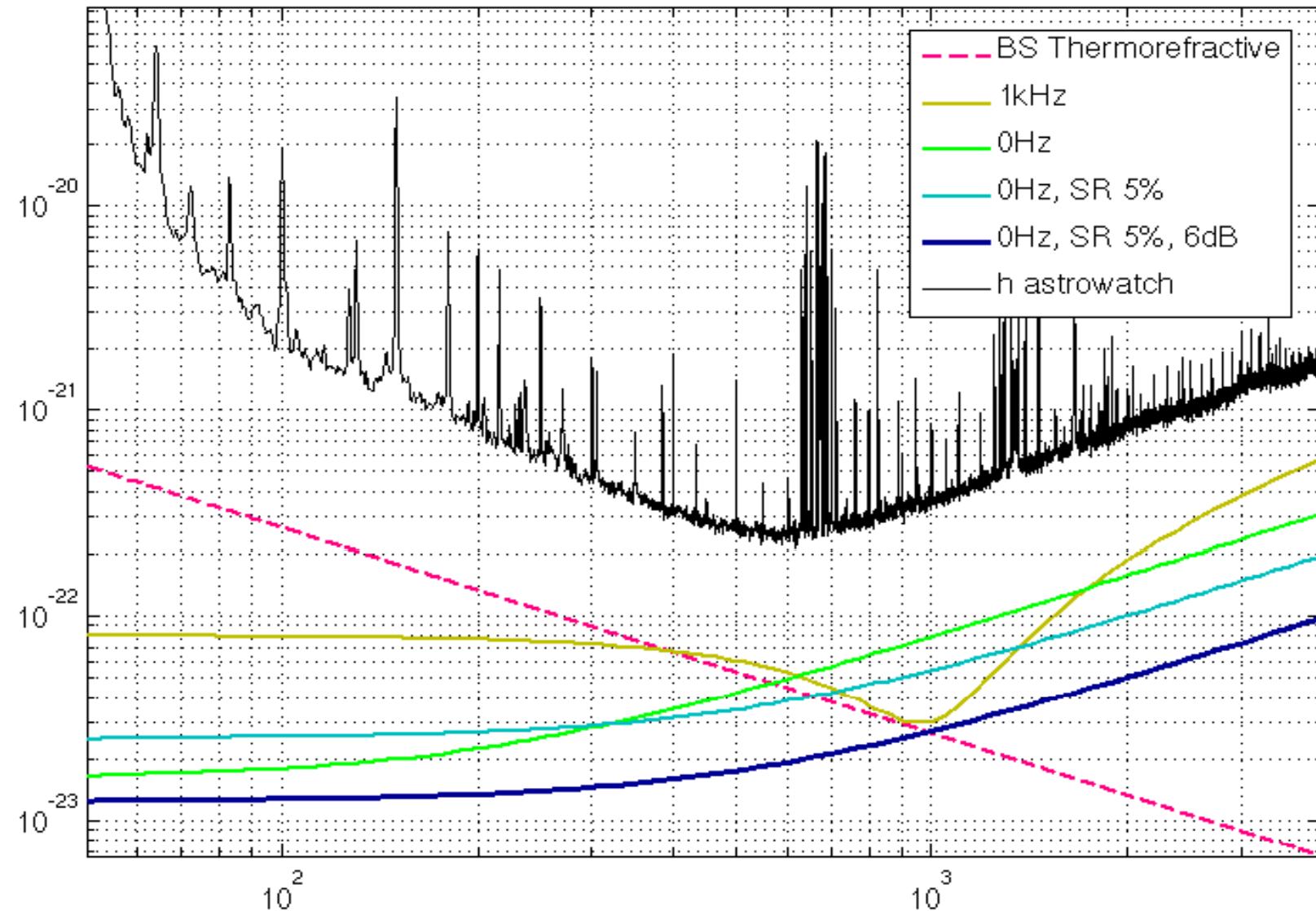
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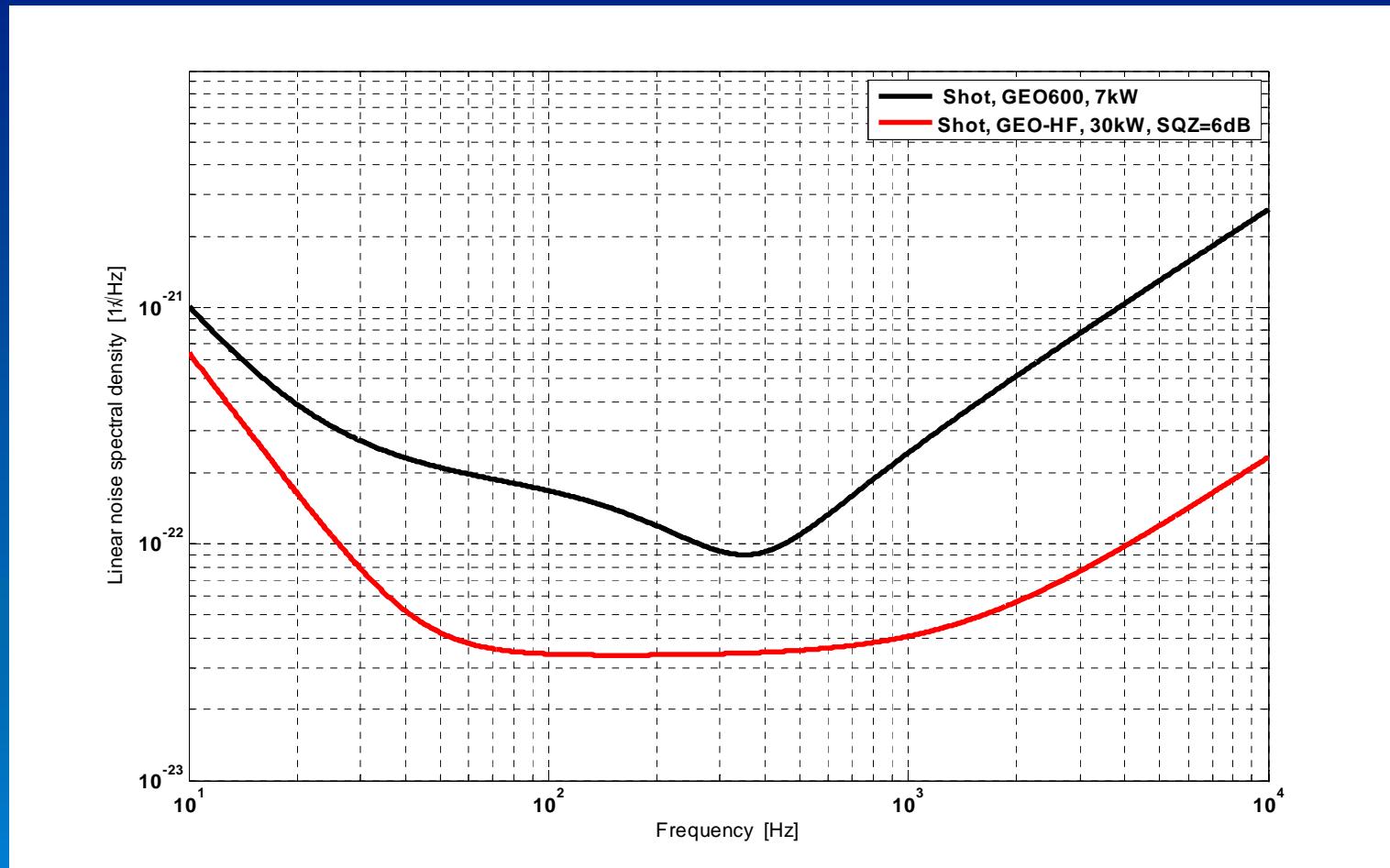
# Power increase

- Currently 3.5kW @ MPR
- Increase laser power  
10 W (6 W) -> 35 W
- Exchange MC mirrors  
-> increase throughput 2x  
-> 30kW @ MPR

# Options Towards GEO-HF



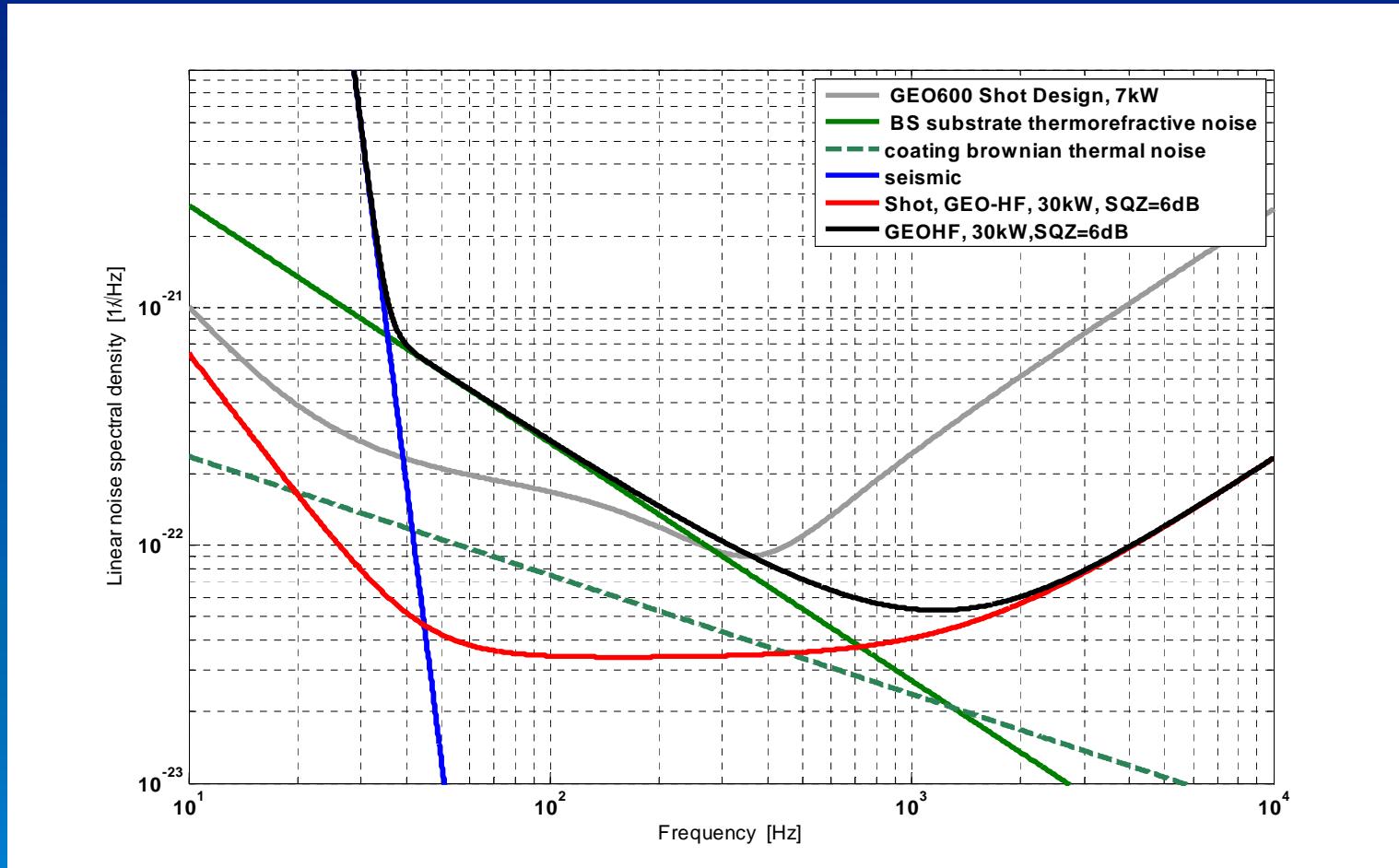
# Quantum Noise GEO600 vs. GEO-HF



GEO600: 7kW, Schnupp Modulation, 550Hz detuning  
GEO-HF: 30kW, DC Readout, OMC, Tuned, broadband



# GEO HF Noises



# Timeline / Summary

Spring 2009

- DC readout
- OMC
- In vacuum read out
- Squeezed light into output port

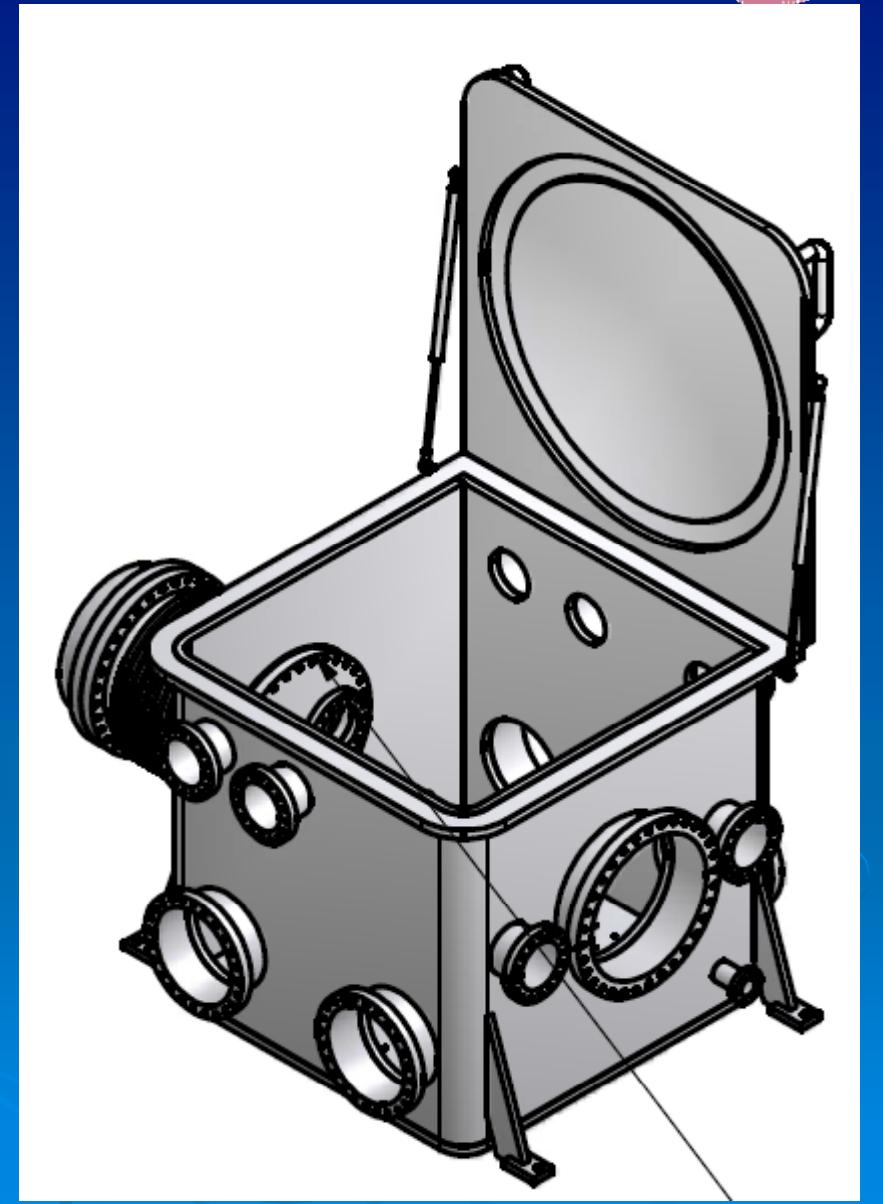
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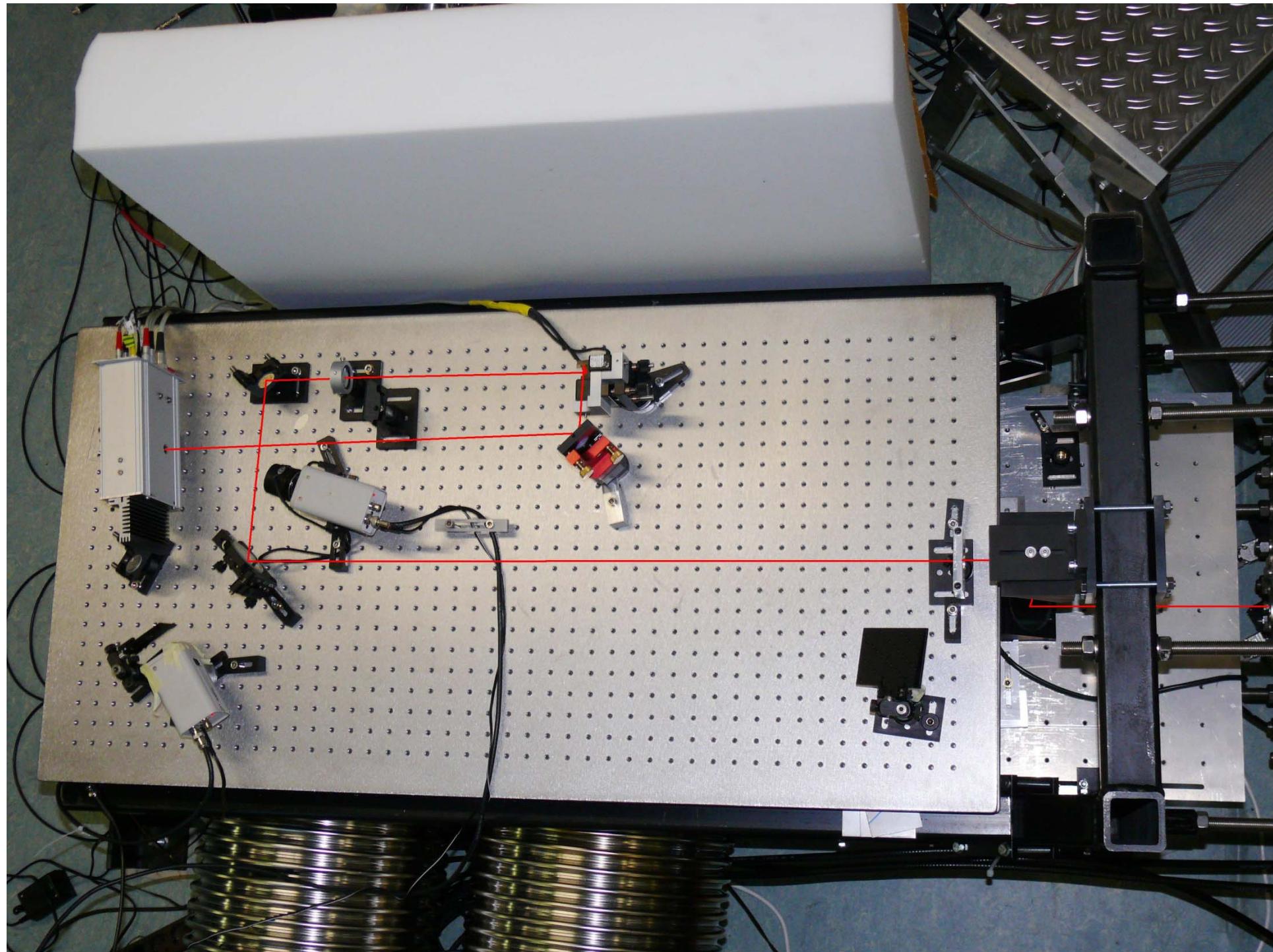
- Increase laser power
- Exchange main mirrors

# Additional vacuum tank TCOc

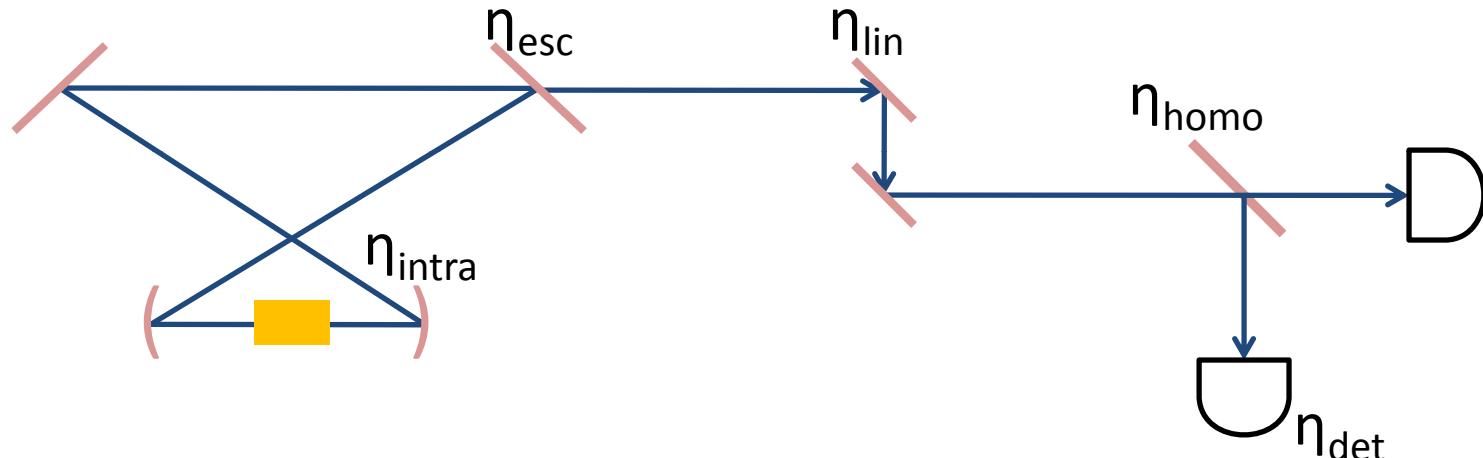


- $75^3 \text{ cm}^3$
  - Viton gaskets ( $10^{-6} \text{ mbar}$ )
  - Viewport between  
TCOb and TCOc  
(Will it be a problem?  
So far we do not see any)
- Isolated platform inside





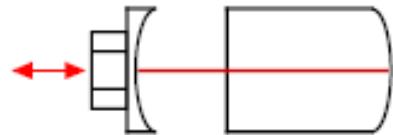
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|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| $\eta_{\text{intra}}$ | – Intra-cavity Efficiency |
| $\eta_{\text{esc}}$   | – Escape Efficiency       |
| $\eta_{\text{lin}}$   | – Transmission Efficiency |
| $\eta_{\text{homo}}$  | – Homodyne Efficiency     |
| $\eta_{\text{det}}$   | – Detector Efficiency     |

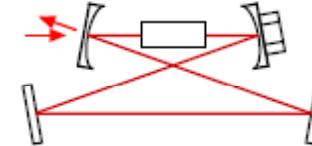
- Intra-cavity nonlinear process
- Ratio between output coupling rate to total cavity decay rate
- From Cavity to Detection
- Square of the Fringe Visibility
- Photodetector Efficiency

## Hemilithic vs Bow-tie Configuration



### Hemilithic (Standing Wave)

- Fewer reflecting surfaces, thus having lower loss
- Negligible spatial and polarisation distortion through its normal incidence operation.
- Limited number of input ports/ reflected beams from normal incidence operation.
- Single air/crystal interface, but greater difficulty in exchange of crystals
- Squeezer in hemilithic configuration to be installed at GEO600.



### Bow-tie (Travelling Wave)

- Inherent isolation to backscattered light
  - Less critical on additional Faraday isolation
- Bowtie configuration minimizes astigmatism.
- Ready access to multiple input ports/ reflected beams, due to their physical separation.
- Ability for easy exchange of crystals.
- The travelling wave characteristic makes the phase matching condition less dependent on temperature.



# OPO Design



## Doubly Resonant Cavity

Cavity resonant at both fundamental (1064nm) and pump (532nm) wavelengths.

### Advantages

- Simplicity of obtaining a cavity length error signal (using the pump 532nm field)
- Assurance of optimum mode matching of the interacting fields.
- Non-matched spatial components of the pump field (to the cavity mode) filtered
- The pump field amplitude is resonantly enhanced, giving a higher nonlinear gain for the same input pump power.
  - Allows possibility of increasing the transmission of the output coupler at 1064nm to increase  $\eta_{esc}$ .
- Less critical to internal cavity losses.
- Provide additional signal for phase-matching locking (if required).



# OPO Design

## Nonlinear Crystal



Choice between 2 crystals: PPKTP and MgO:LiNbO<sub>3</sub>

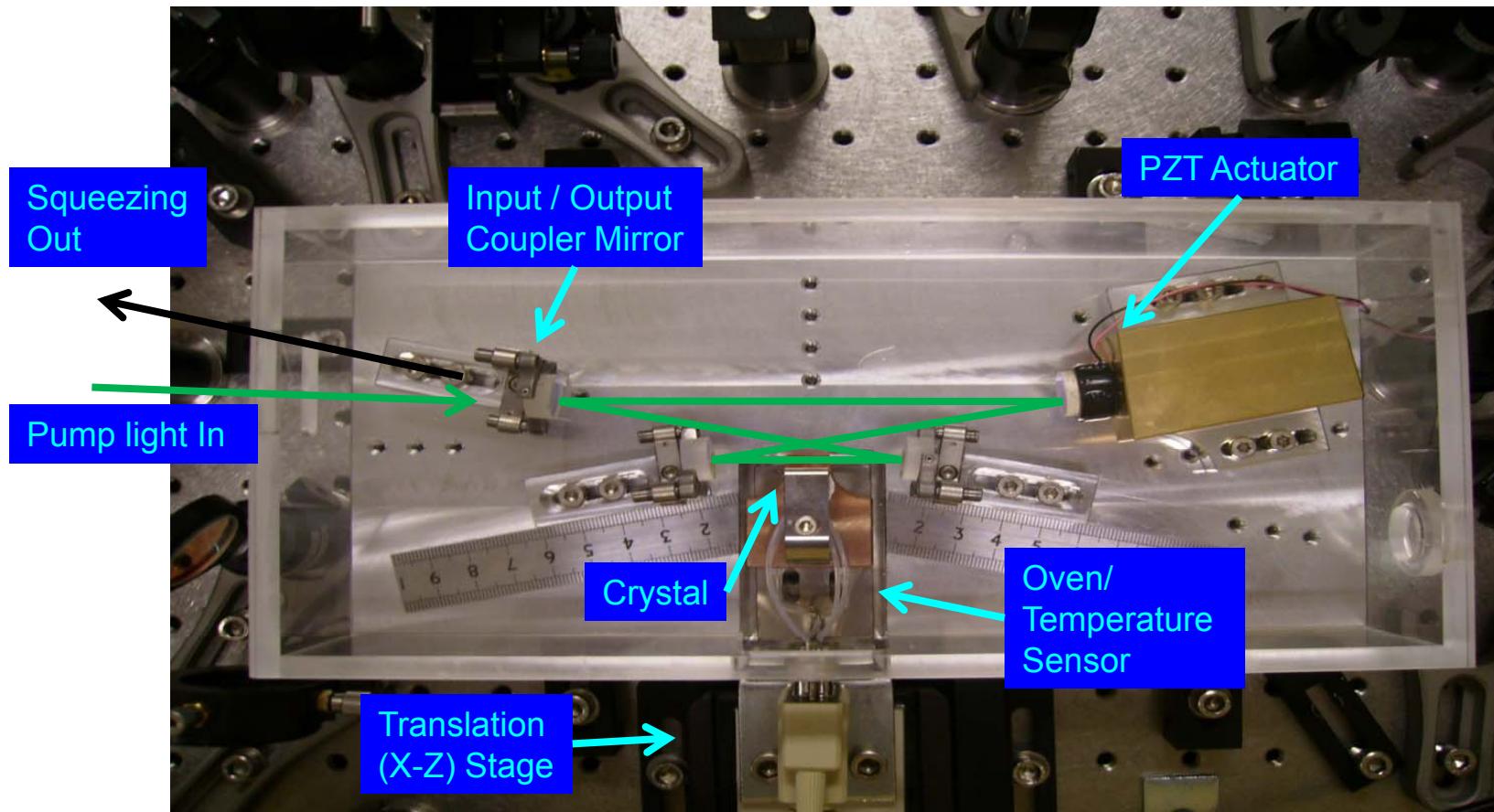
### PPKTP

- Very high nonlinearity via the use of the d<sub>33</sub> of KTP.
- Grey tracking was a known problem when PPKTP is used near the UV wavelength (795/397 nm). To date, we have no data on grey tracking at 1064/532 nm.
- Best result obtained was > 9 dB squeezing (Tokyo University).

### MgO:LiNbO<sub>3</sub>

- Lower nonlinearity compare with PPKTP
- More robust than PPKTP.
- MgO doping is used to increase the photo-refractive damage threshold.
- Larger parasitic photothermal effects.
- Squeezer using MgO:LiNbO<sub>3</sub> to be installed at GEO600.
- Best results obtained was > 10 dB of squeezing (AEI Hannover).

• Configuration:	Doubly Resonant Bow-Tie Cavity
• Crystal:	PPKTP [Flat-wedge geometry] $\sim \mathcal{F} = 50$ for 1064nm, $\sim \mathcal{F} = 100$ for 532nm
• Finesse	
• Temperature Control:	Oven and Newport Temperature Controller
• Optical Path Length:	$\sim 700\text{mm}$
• Physical Dimensions:	$\sim 200\text{ mm} \times 150\text{mm}$





# OPO Squeezer Control



## Dispersion Compensation

- The reflections at mirrors from dielectric coatings will produce a differential phase shift between the pump and fundamental fields. Dispersion compensation is required to co-resonate both fields, obtained through the use of a flat- (1-2 degree) wedge surface geometry of the nonlinear crystal.

## Cavity Length Control

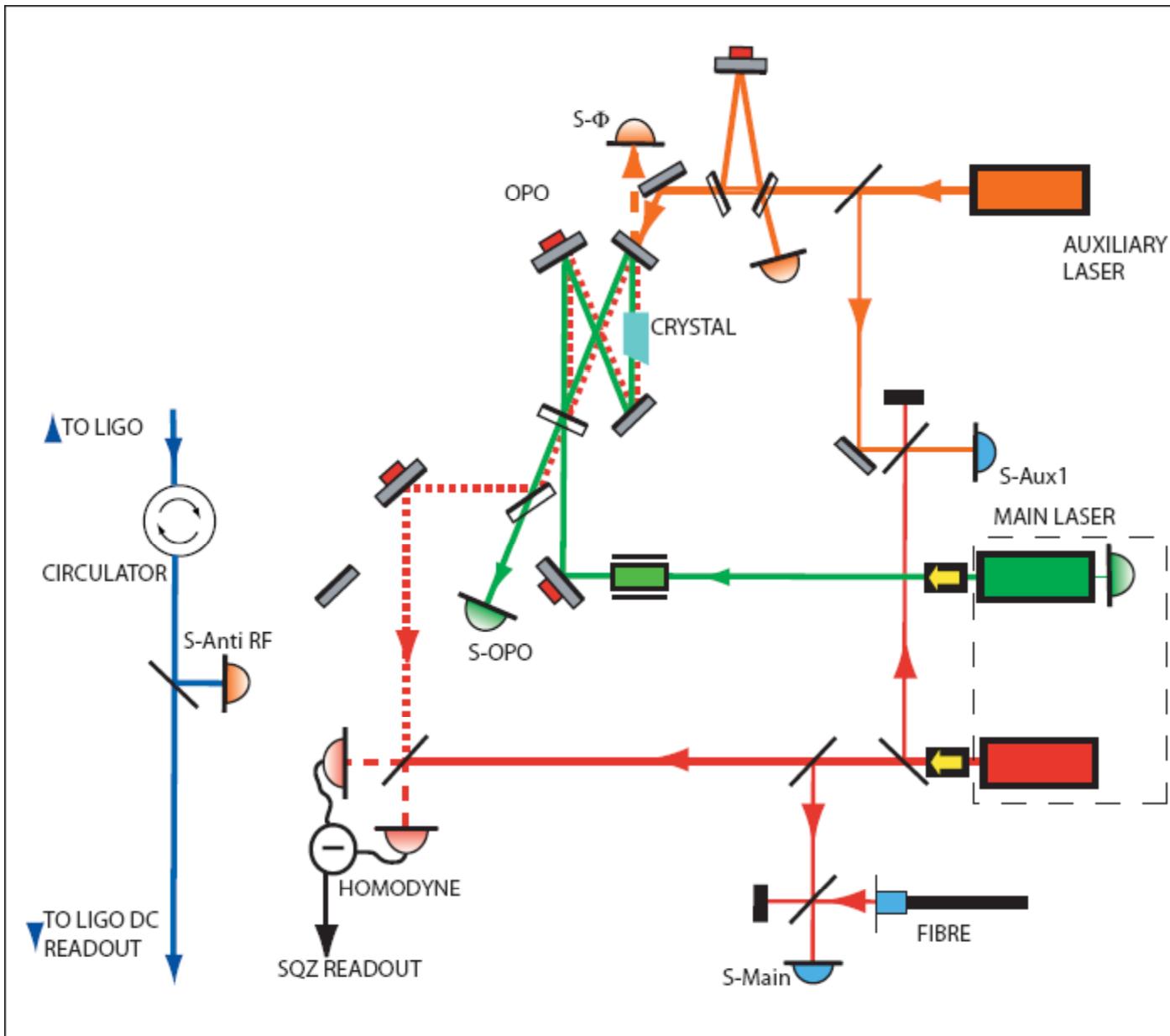
- Pound-Drever-Hall locking with cavity error signal derived from the reflected pump (532nm) field.
- Control of cavity length is done via a single PZT with a locking bandwidth of 20 kHz. If needed, a high speed PZT coupled with Molybdenum rod can extend the locking bandwidth to around 200 kHz.

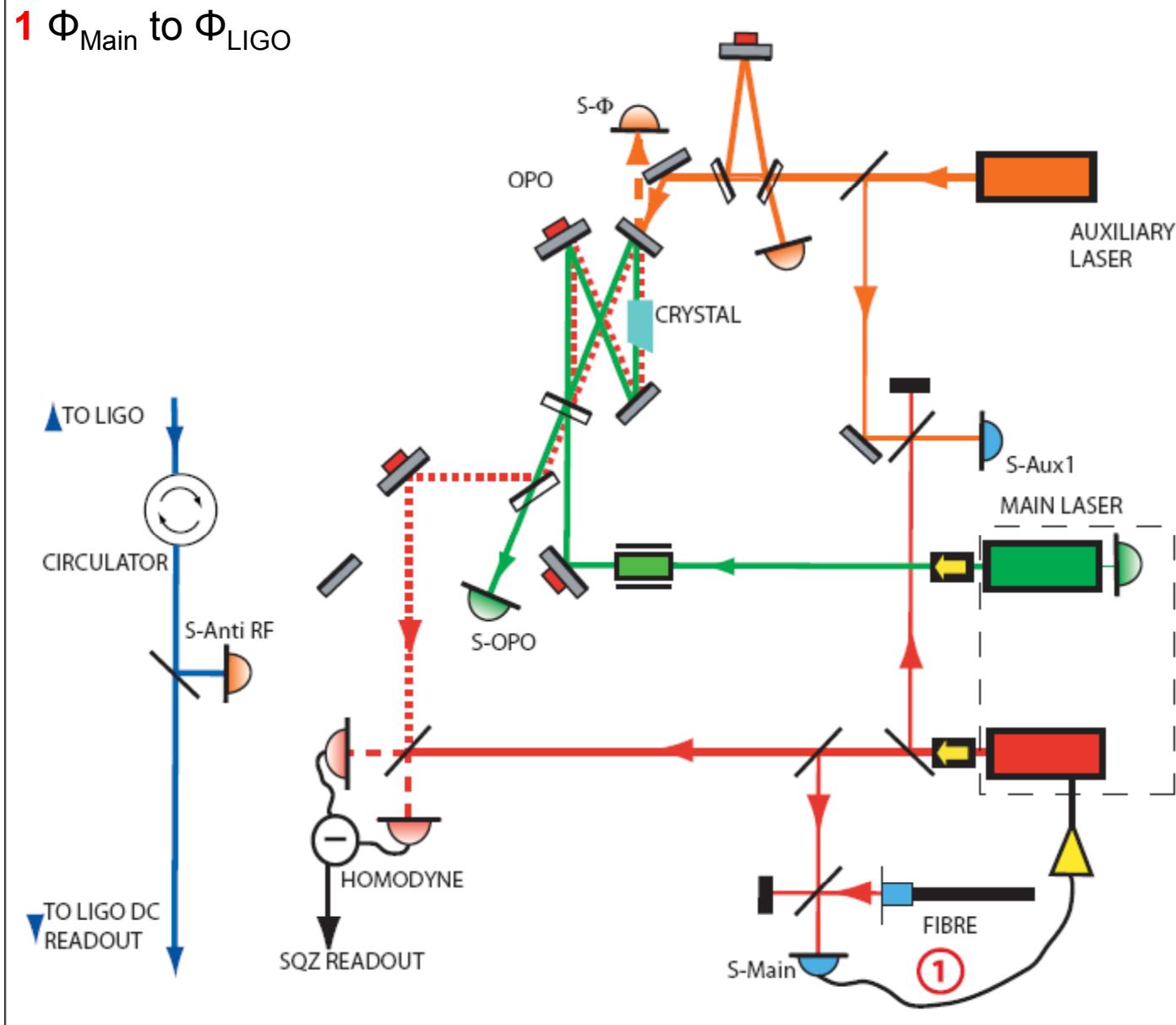
## Squeezed Quadrature and Local Oscillator (LO) phase control

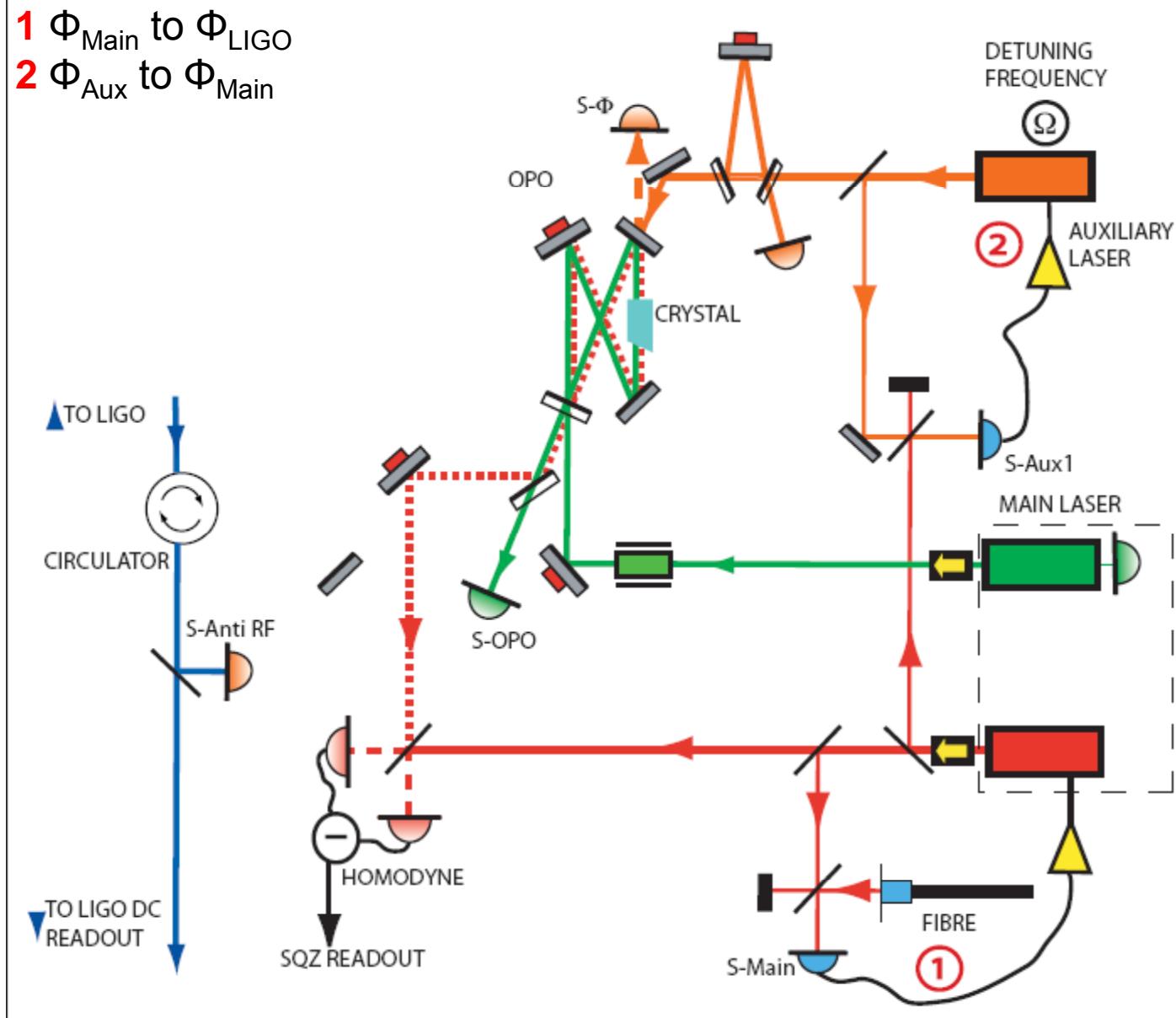
- Coherent (Frequent Shifted Sideband or F.S.S.) locking to implemented.

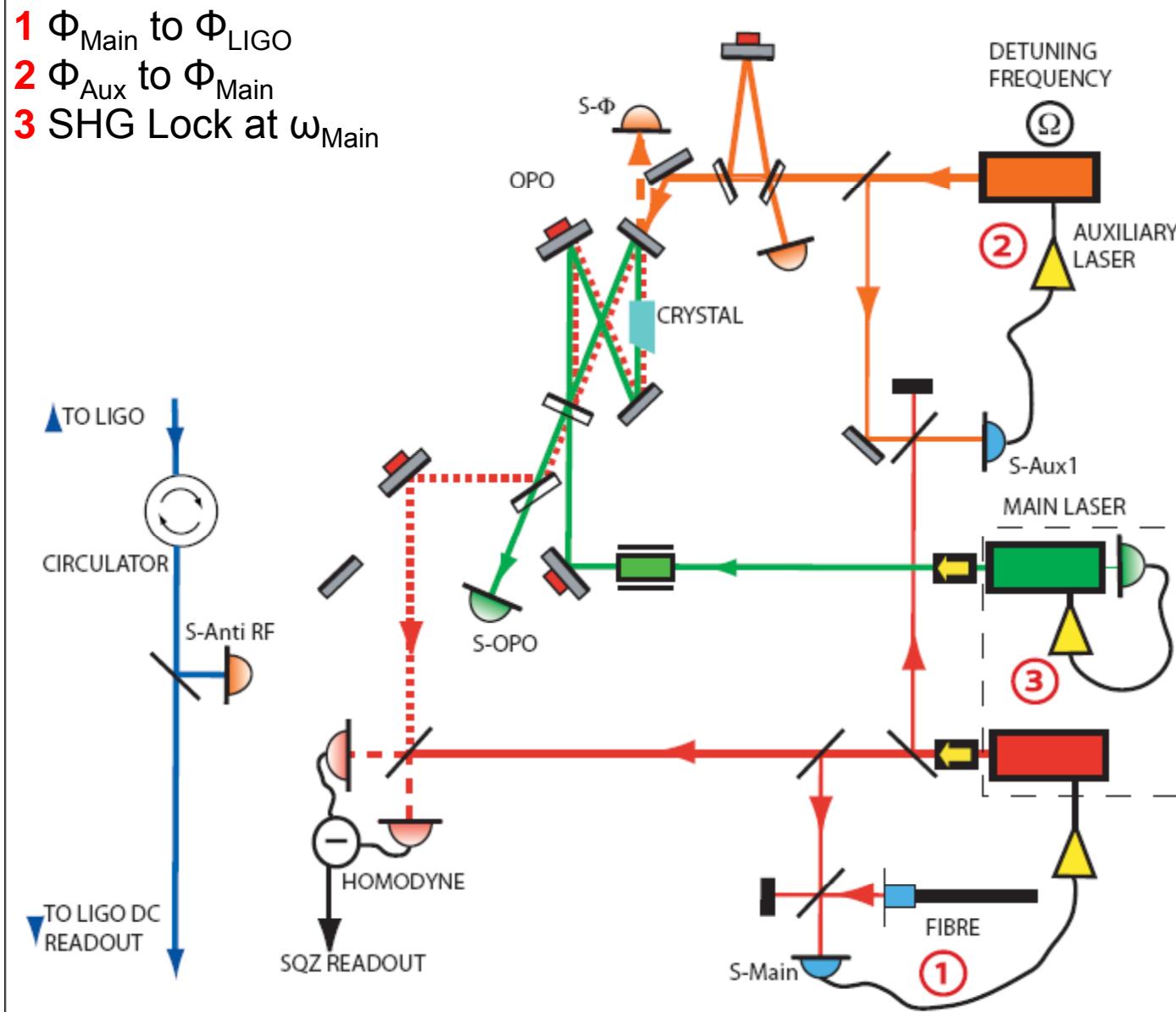
## Temperature

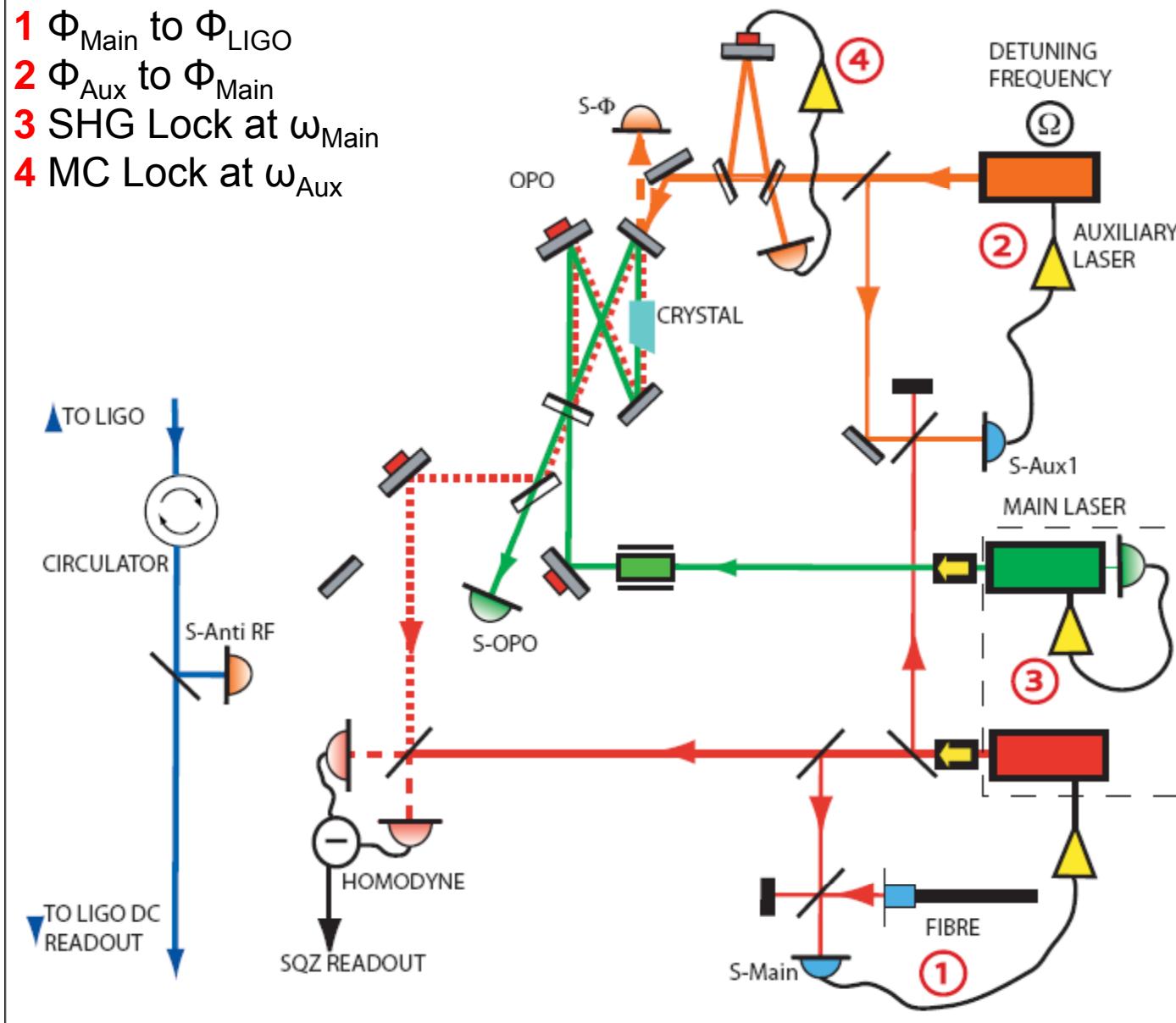
- A Newport temperature controller (Series 3040) can be used to control the crystal phase matching temperature accurate to  $\pm 1$  mK (long term stability).

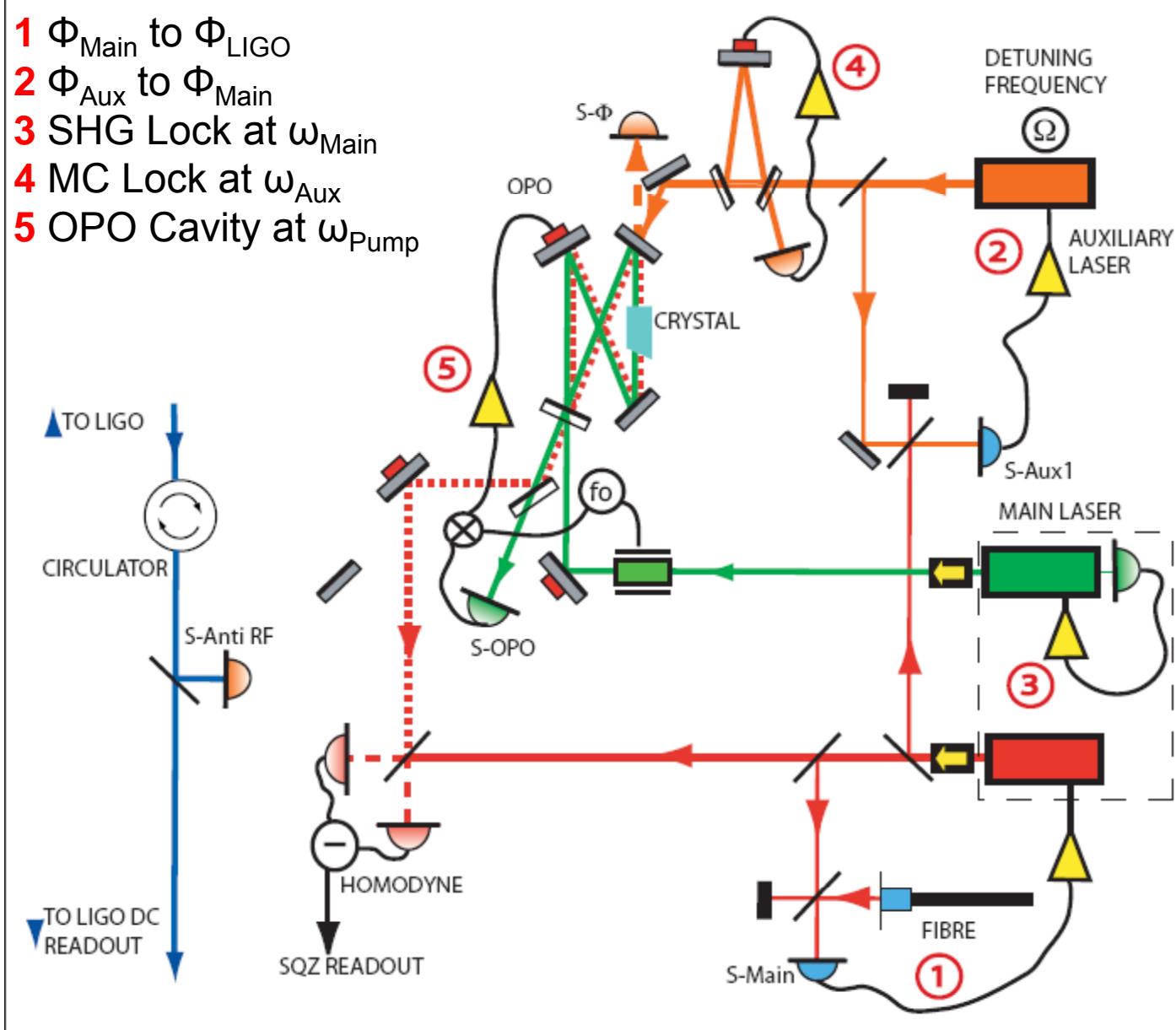


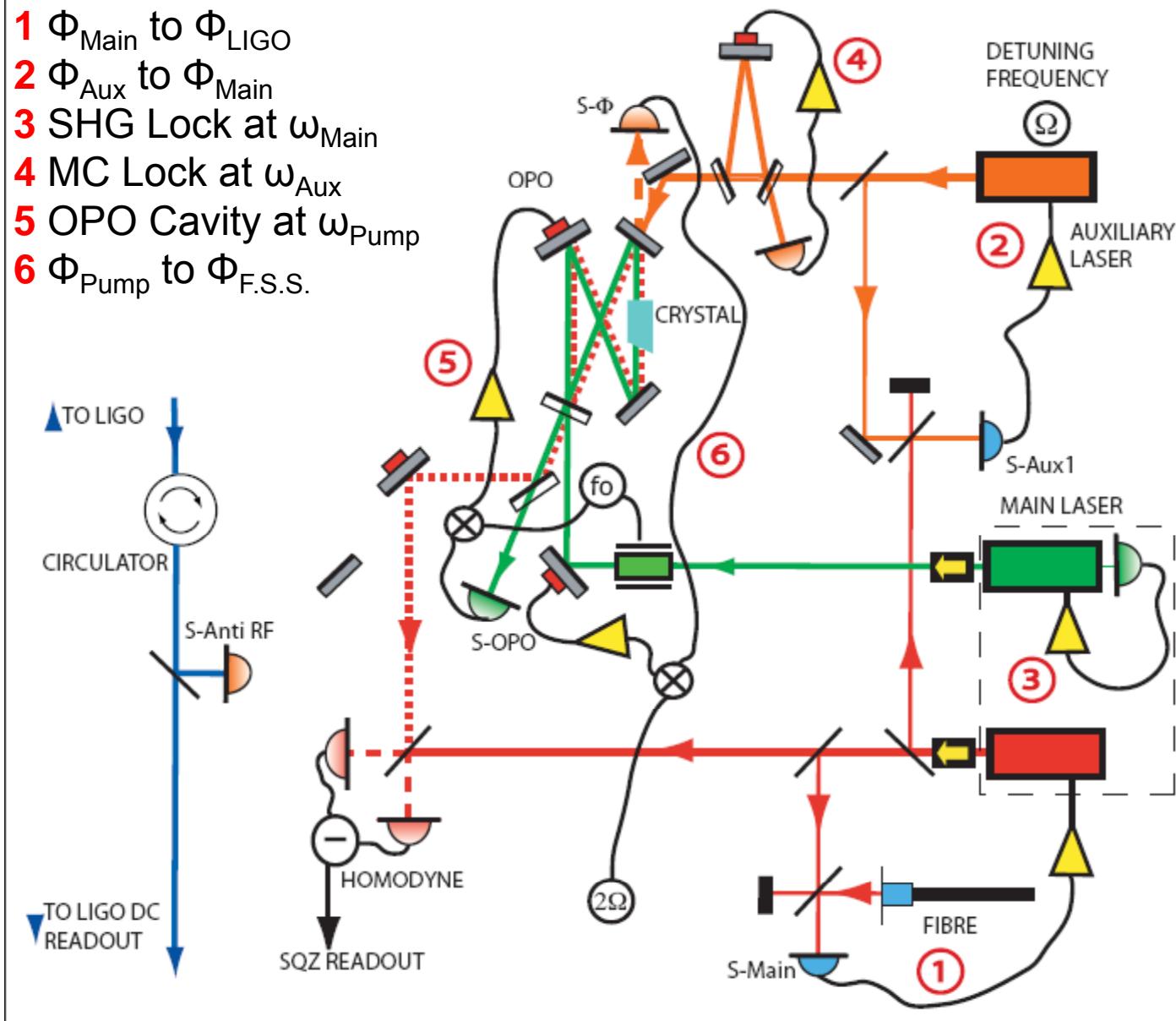


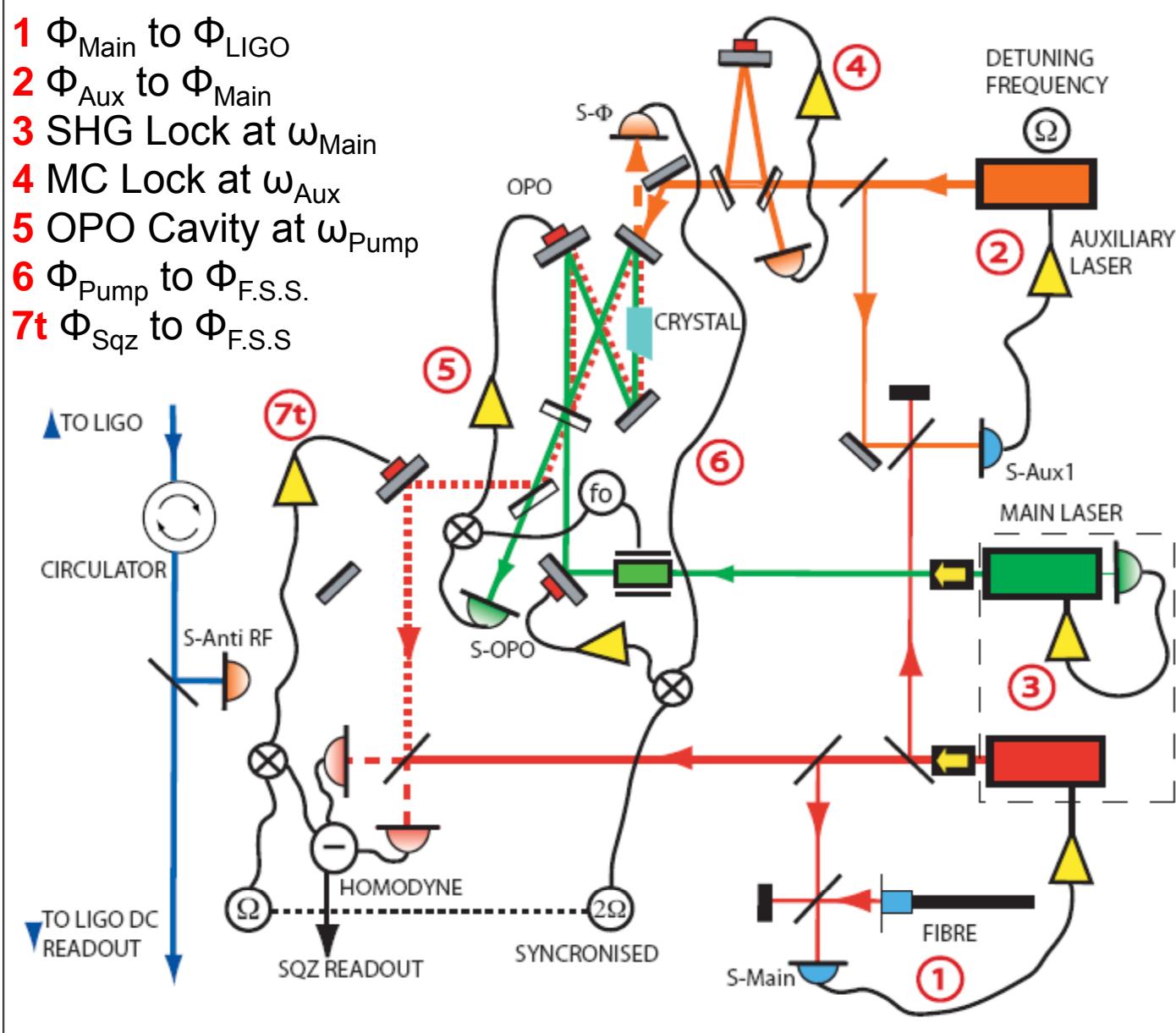


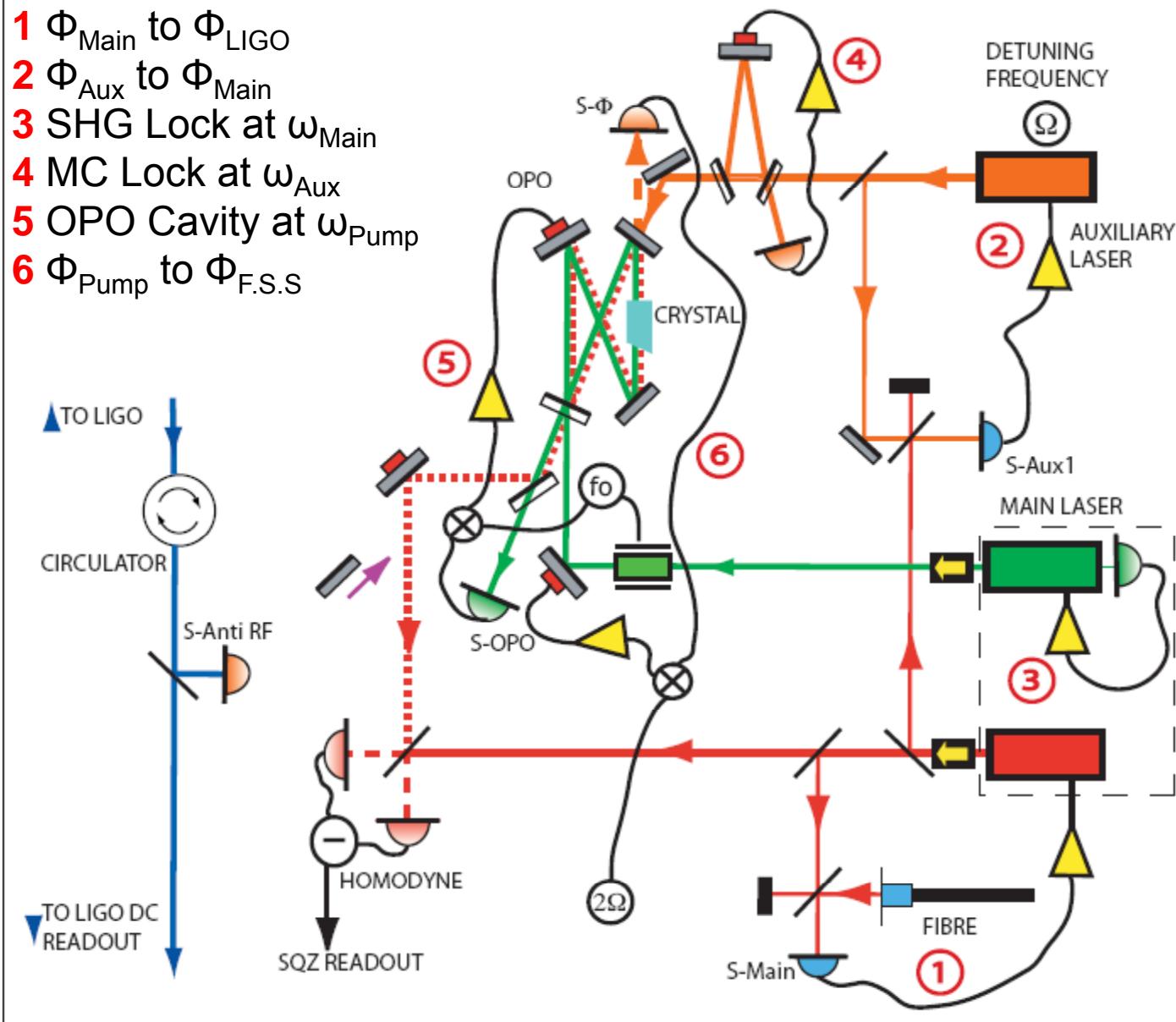


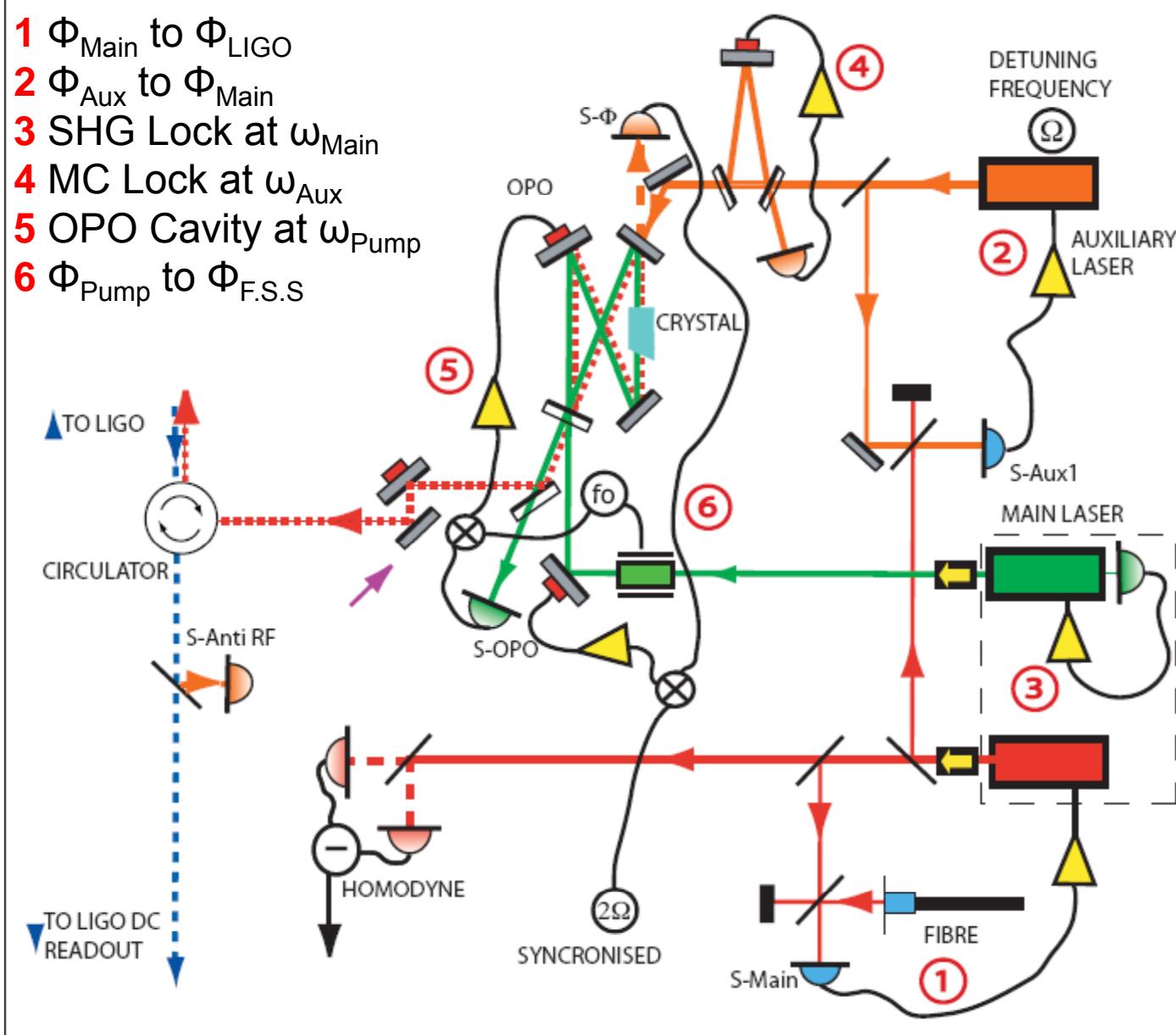


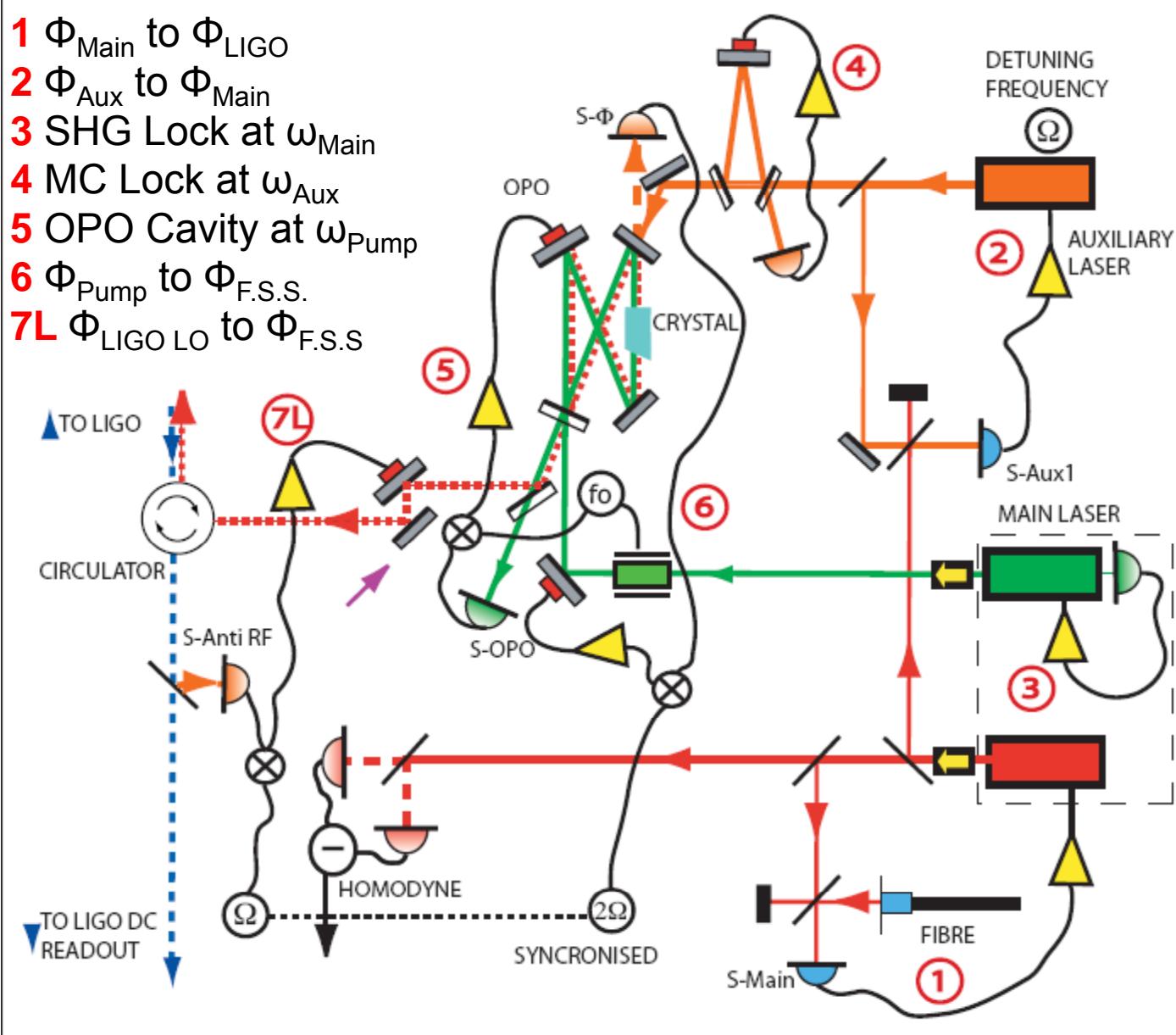












# H1 Squeezer Time Line



- Fixed start date for H1 experiment: 2/15/2011
- Fixed end date for H1 experiment: 10/3/2011

Better be ready!

# Plan

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- Setting up the lasers (MIT/LHO)
  - Critical path: building the electronics
  - Grad student from MIT
  - Electronics support from LHO
- Building and commissioning the OPO (ANU)
  - Grad student from ANU
  - Electronics support from LHO
- Characterization of the squeezer (ANU/LHO)
- Homodyne detector (AEI)
- Experiment at H1

# Person power

Item	Task	Time
Grad student (MIT)	Laser setup	1 FTE/3 years
Grad student (ANU)	OPO setup	1 FTE/3 years
Grad student (AEI)	Homodyne detector	2 months
Scientist	Organizational	$\frac{1}{4}$ FTE/3 years
LIGO scientist/EE	Electronics	$\frac{1}{2}$ FTE/2 years
Scientist/postdoc	H1 Experiment	8 months
Optical engineer	Faraday isolator	2 months
ANU scientist	OPO setup	A lot
Postdoc(?)	Support	$\frac{1}{2}$ FTE/3 years

# Budget

Task	Cost (k\$)
Optics	322
Electronics	121
Travel	59
ANU contribution	-13
AEI contribution	-3
Advanced LIGO contribution	-25
<b>Total without travel</b>	<b>418</b>
<b>Total with travel</b>	<b>477</b>
OPO technical risk	50

# Funding Profile (Rough Estimate)

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## ❑ Equipment costs

- 88% first year
- 10% second year
- 2% last year

## ❑ Salary

- 33% for each year

## ❑ Travel

- 40% first years
- 40% second year
- 20% third year