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# Realistic Polarizing Sagnac Topology with DC Readout for the Einstein Telescope

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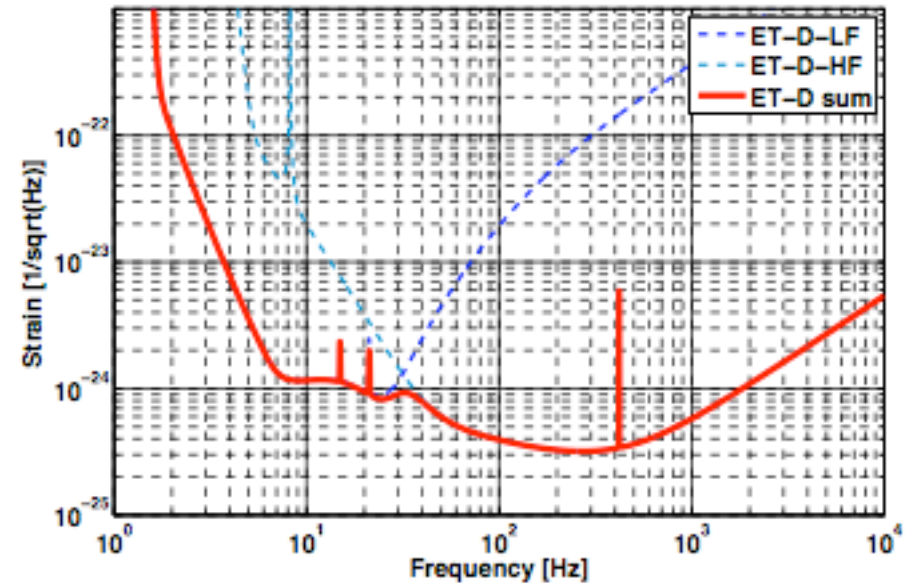
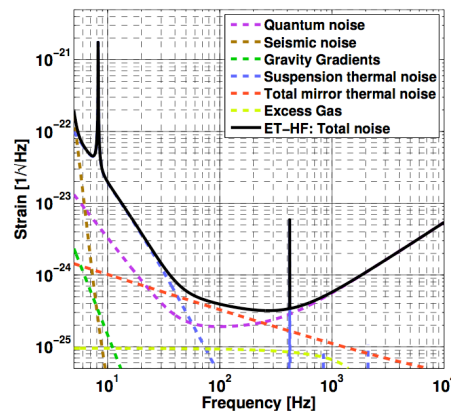
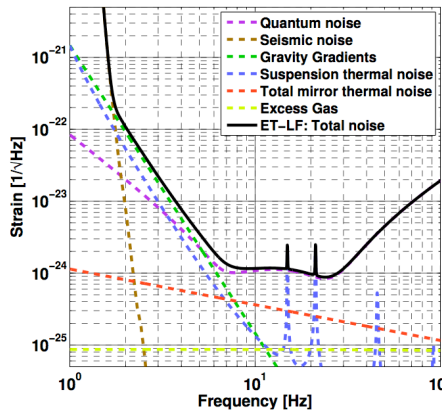
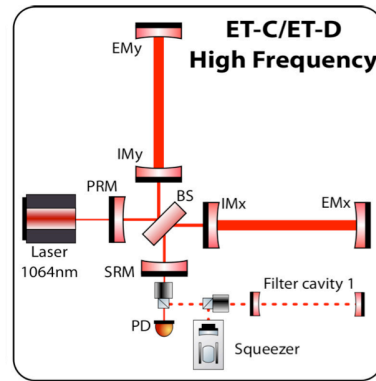
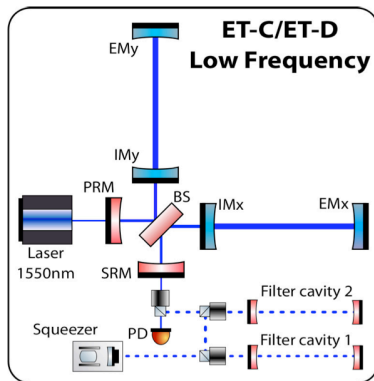
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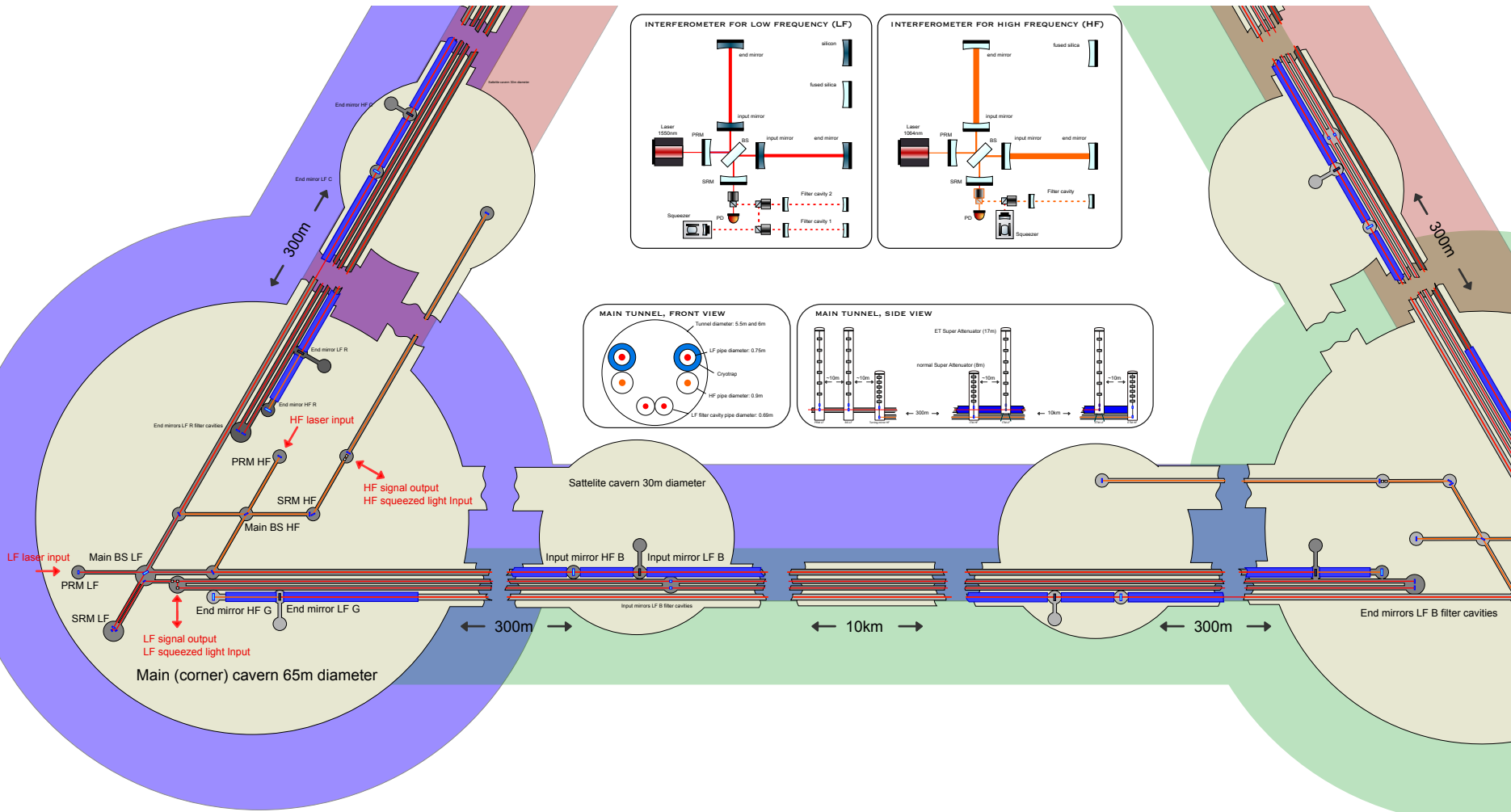
- 3 triangle-nested detectors, each being composed of two **Michelson-type** interferometers with **xylophone** design located **underground**
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- Frequency-dependent squeezing** input to reduce quantum noise







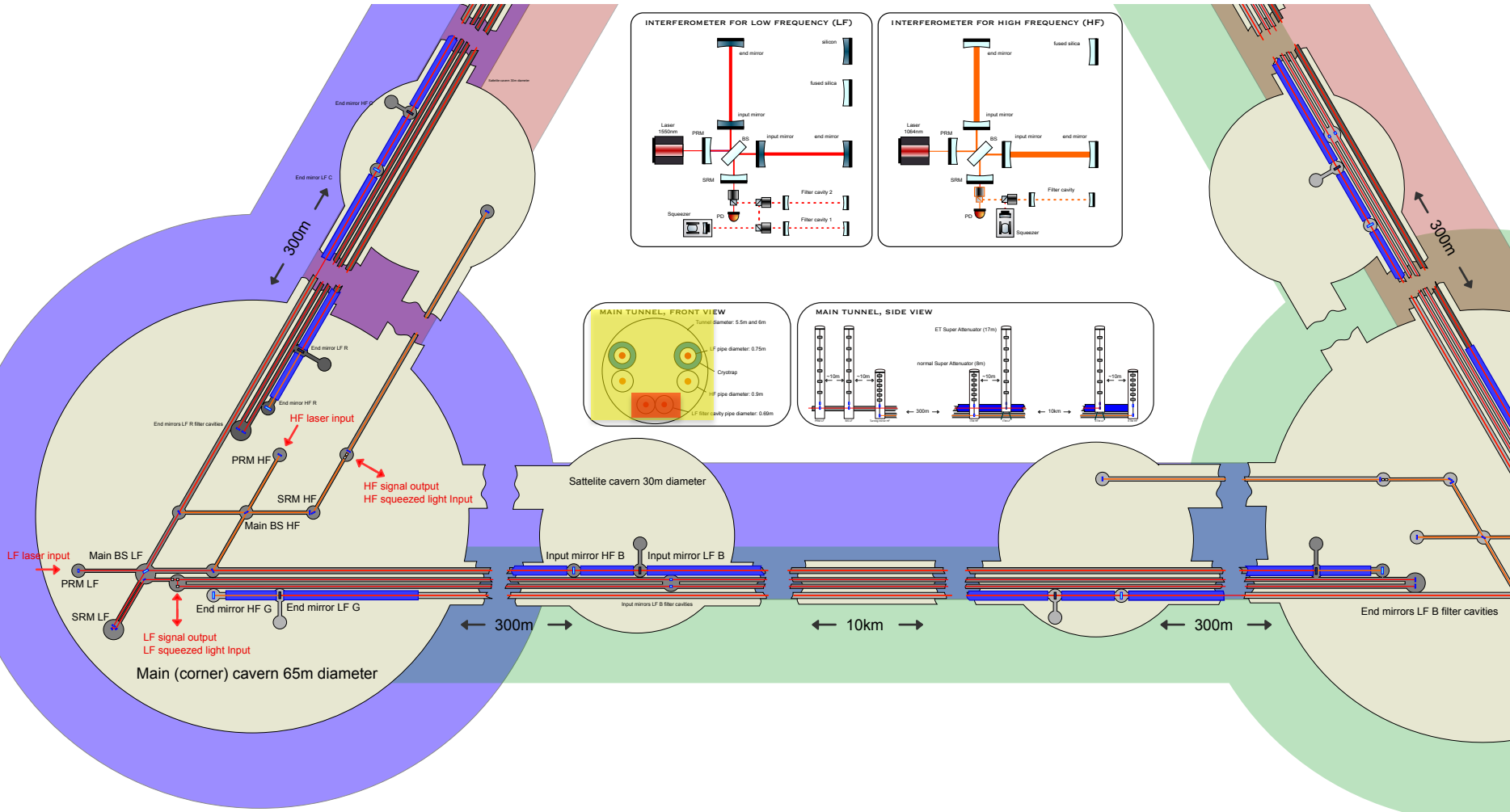
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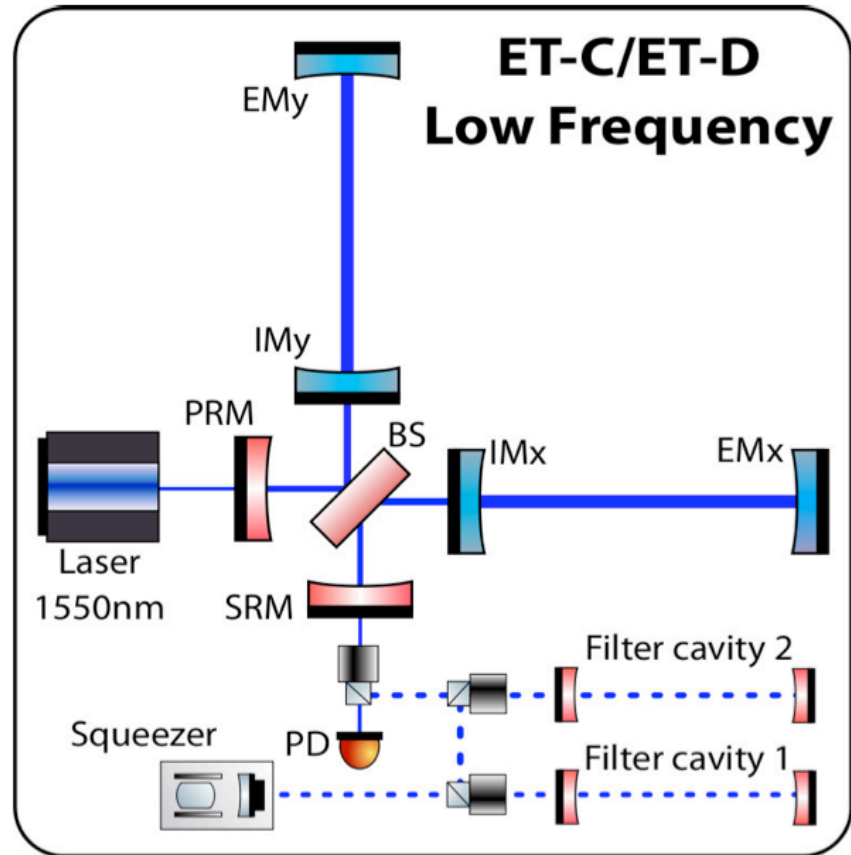


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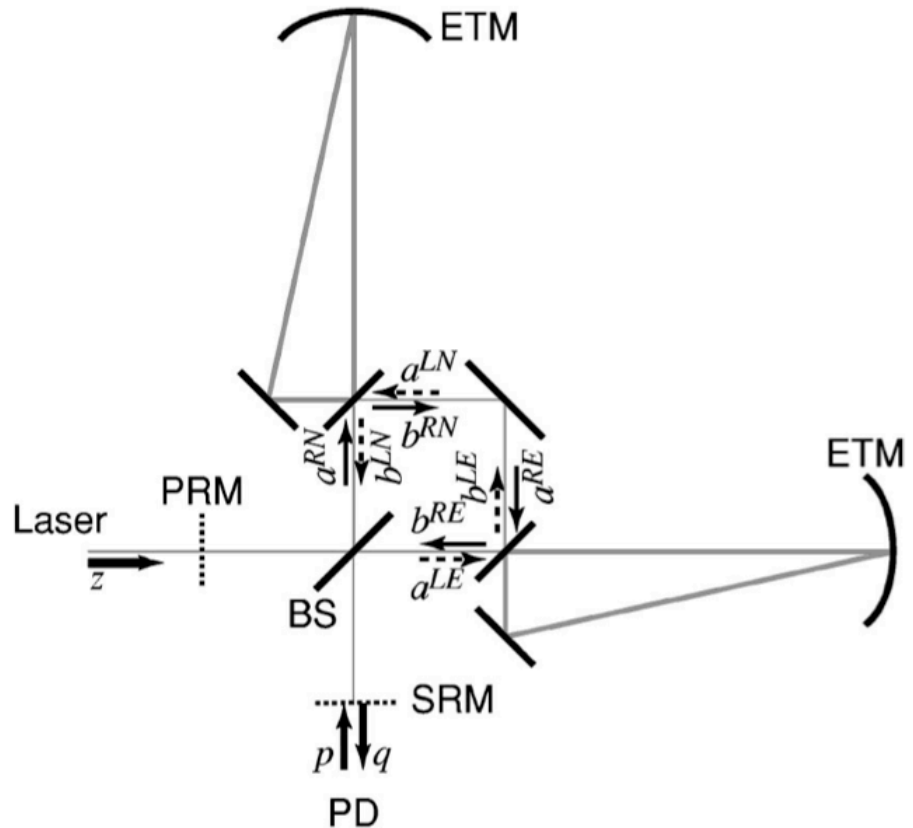
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## Sagnac-type:

- A speed meter having low radiation pressure noise [1]
- No input filter cavities needed
- No signal recycling mirror needed

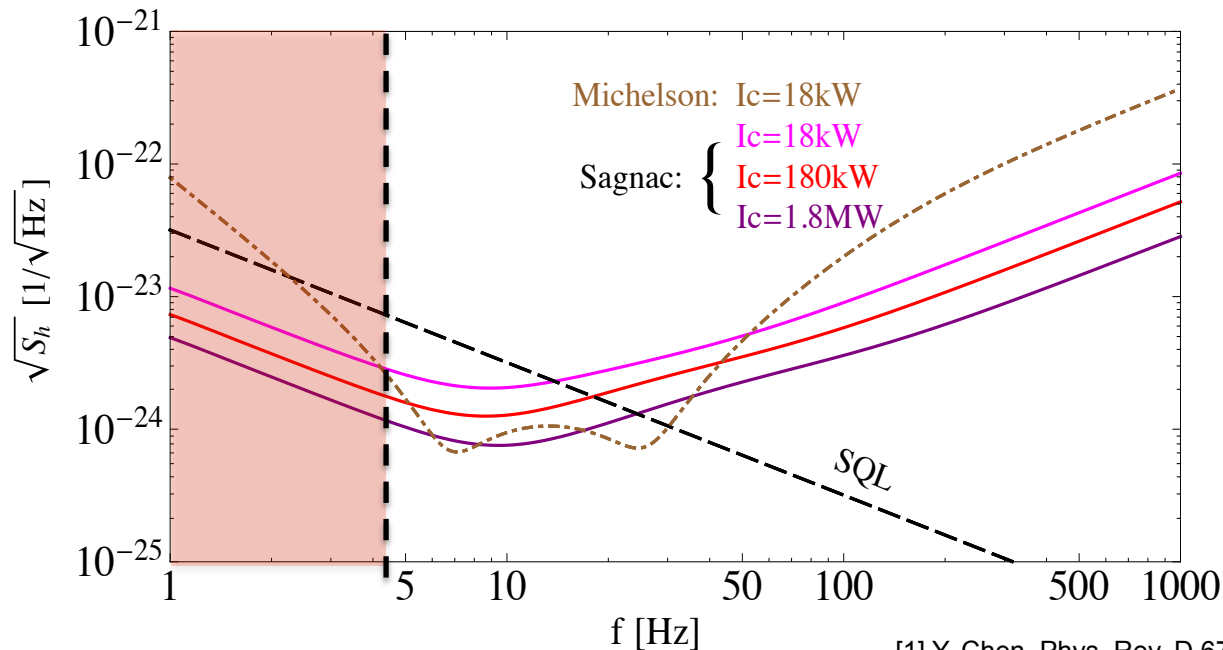


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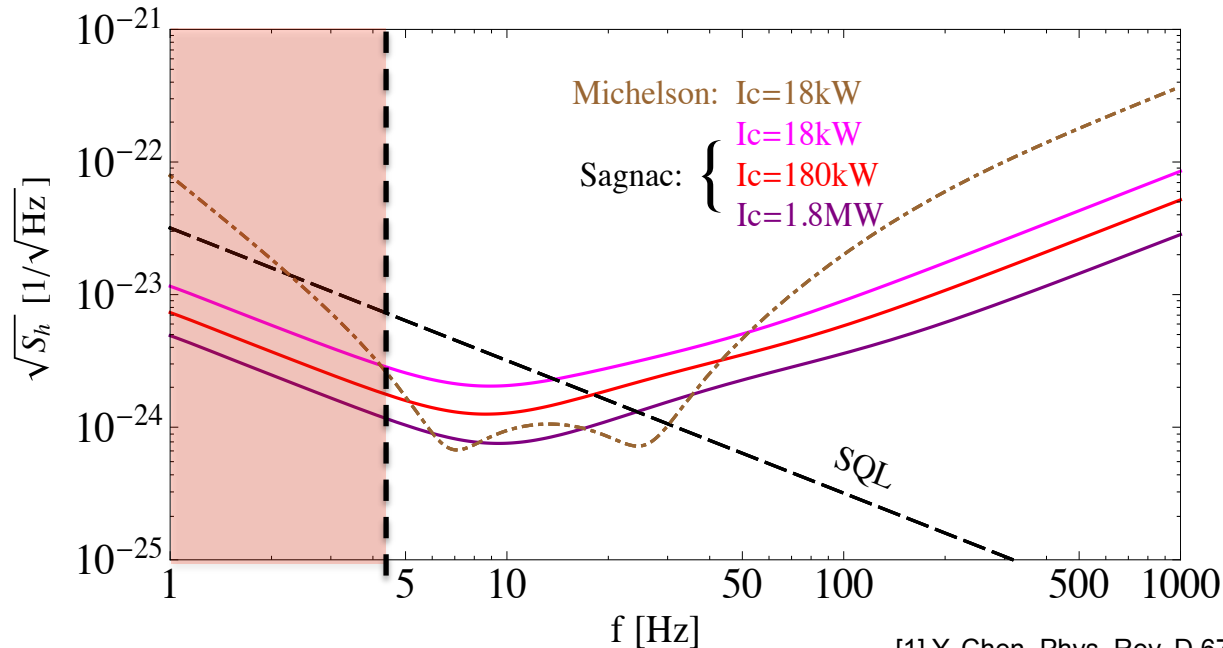


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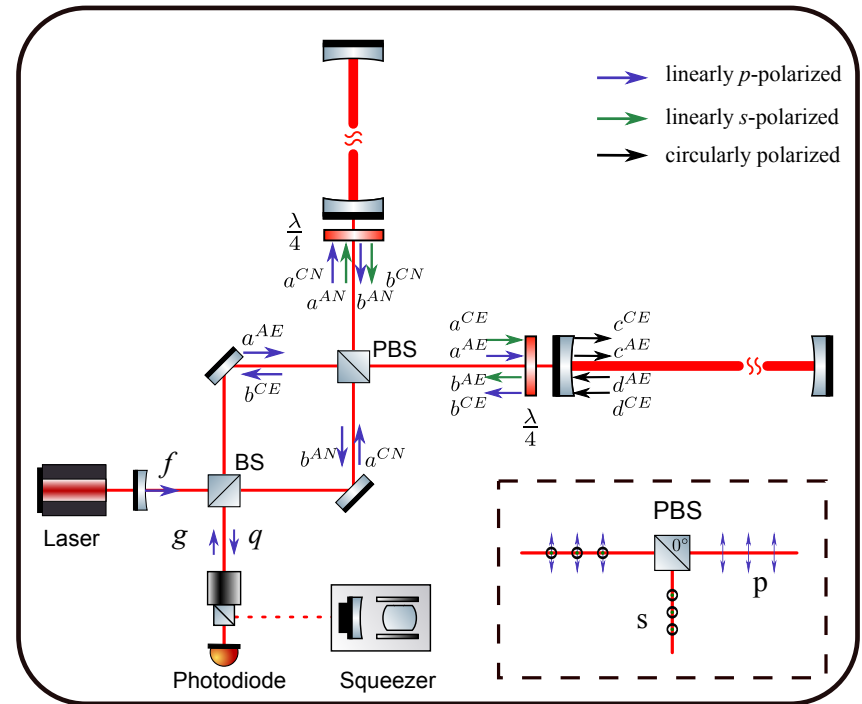
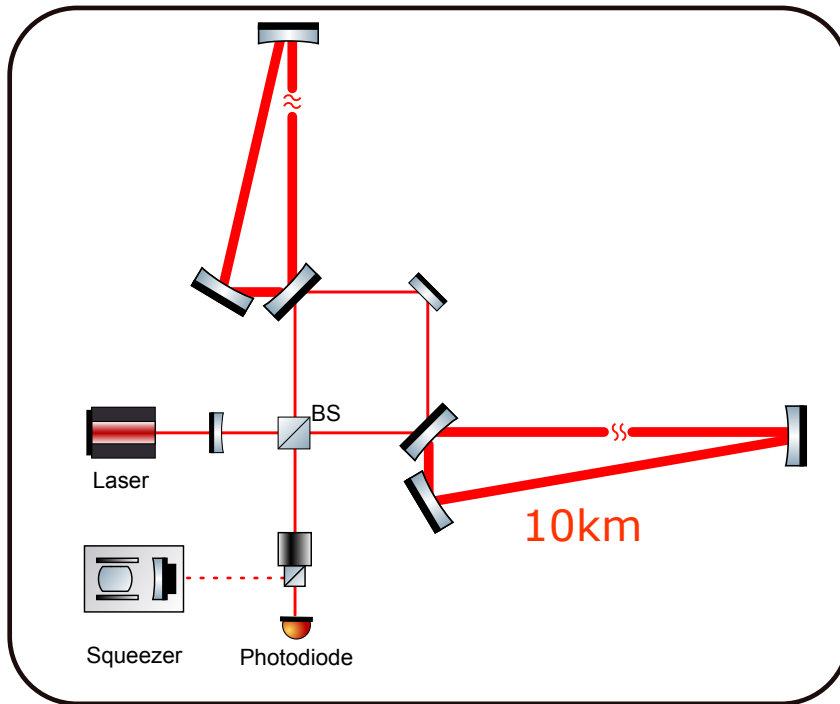
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# Polarizing Sagnac Topology

- Requires minimum changes to the current Michelson interferometer [1]
- Has no small angle scattering and elliptical beam spot issues
- However, includes polarizing optics, i.e., polarizing beam splitter (PBS), quarter wave plate (QWP)



[1] S. L. Danilishin, Phys. Rev. D 69, 102003 (2004)

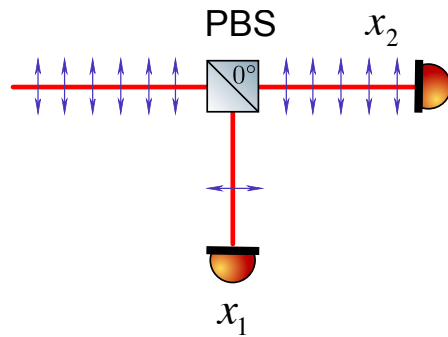




# Polarizing Beam Splitter

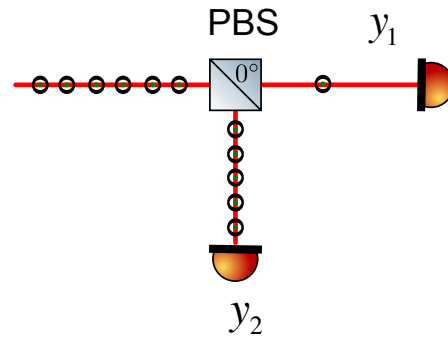
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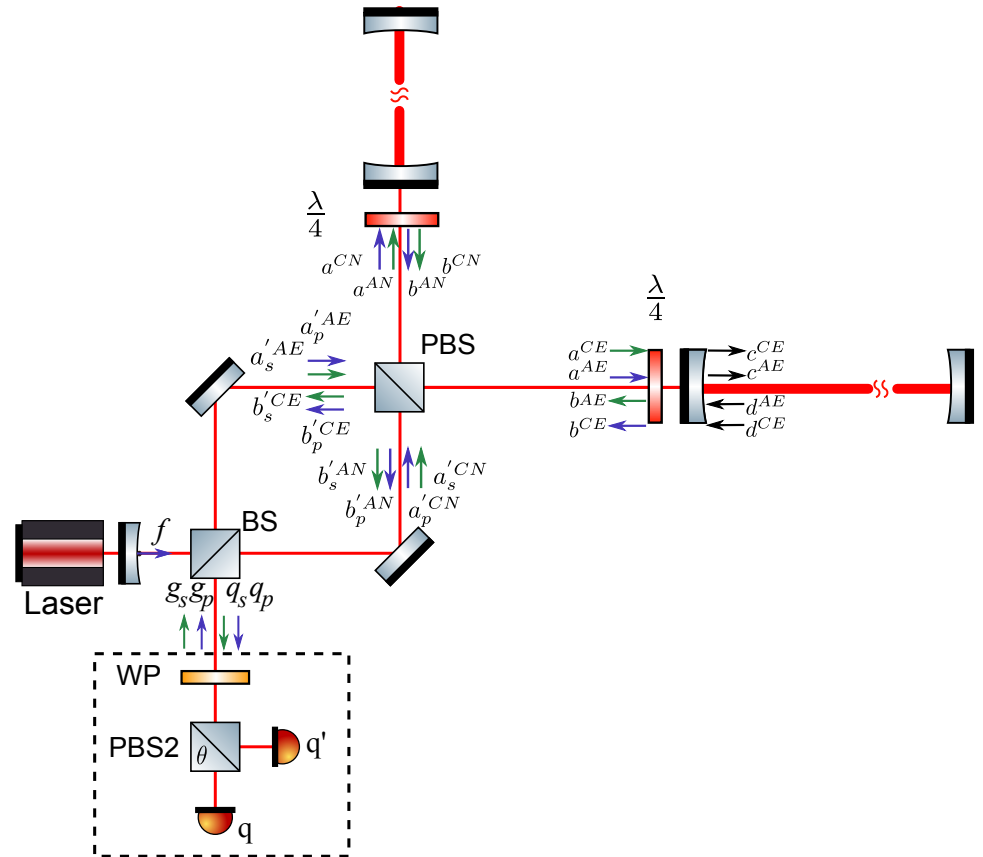


$$\eta_p = \frac{x_1}{x_2}$$

- s-polarization



$$\eta_s = \frac{y_1}{y_2}$$

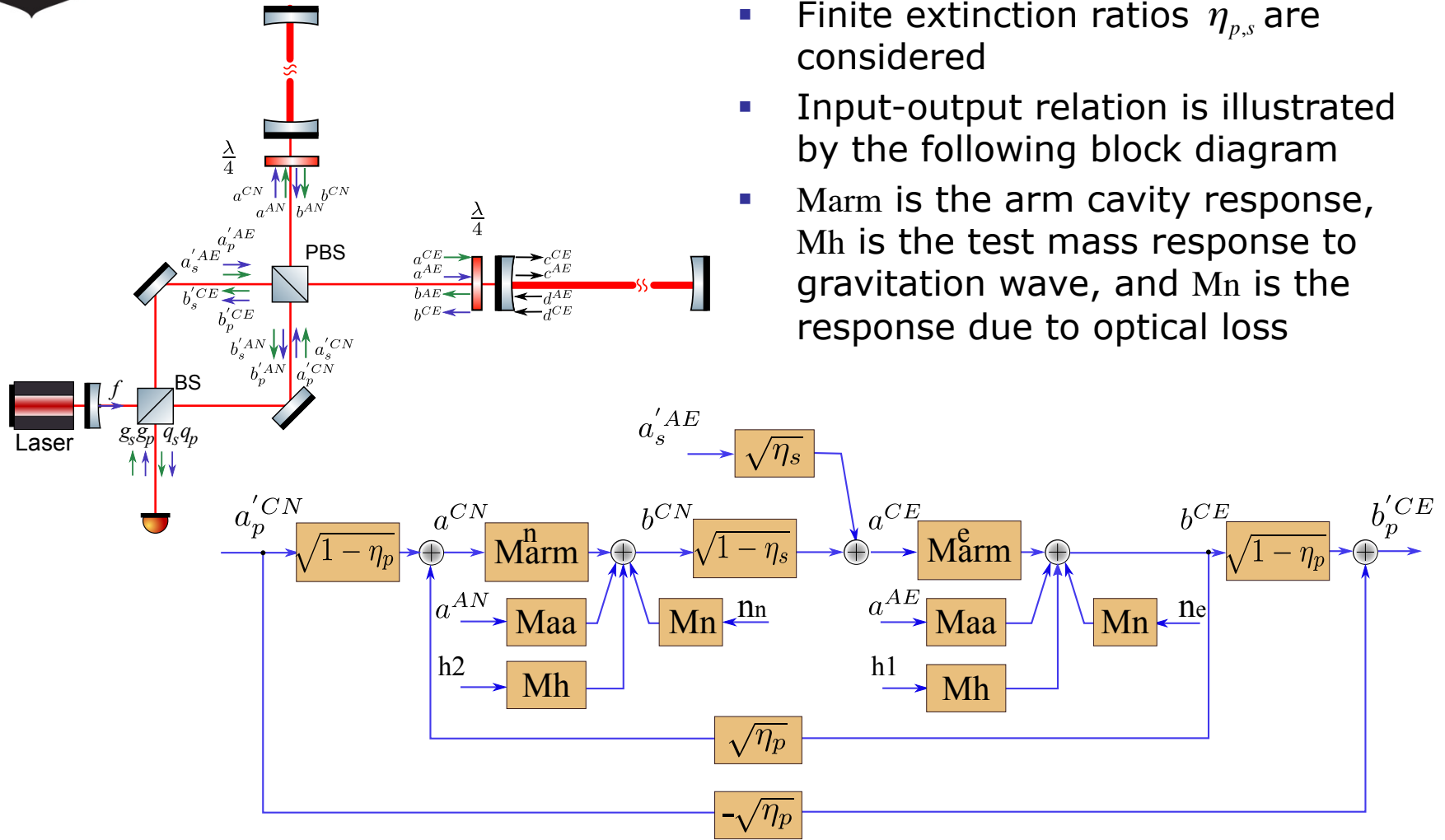


$$\eta_{p,s} \ll 1 \quad \text{i.e.,} \quad \eta_{p,s} = \frac{1}{1000}$$



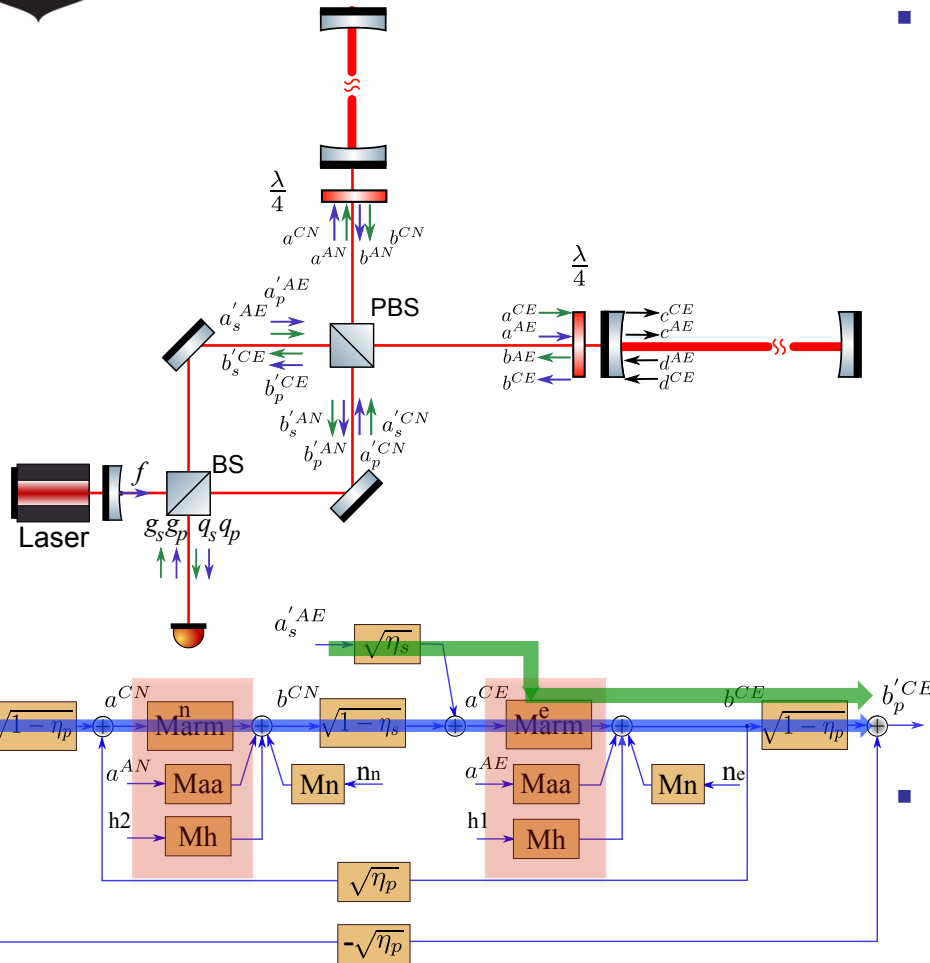
# Input-output Relation of a Sagnac

- Finite extinction ratios  $\eta_{p,s}$  are considered
- Input-output relation is illustrated by the following block diagram
- Marm is the arm cavity response, Mh is the test mass response to gravitation wave, and Mn is the response due to optical loss



Details in the appendices, M. Wang . Phys. Rev. D 87, 096008 (2013)

# Input-output Relation of a Sagnac



- P-polarized output  $q_p$  contains not only a p-polarized vacuum fluctuation  $g_p$  but also a s-polarized vacuum  $g_s'$ , and the s-polarized vacuum induces a radiation pressure noise which has the same frequency dependence as the one in a typical Michelson interferometer

$$q_p \approx \underbrace{M_{sag} g_p}_{\text{Sagnac noise}} + \underbrace{\sqrt{\eta_s} M_{arm} g_s}_{\text{Michelson noise}} + H_{sag} h$$

- S-polarized output  $q_s$  gains a Michelson response

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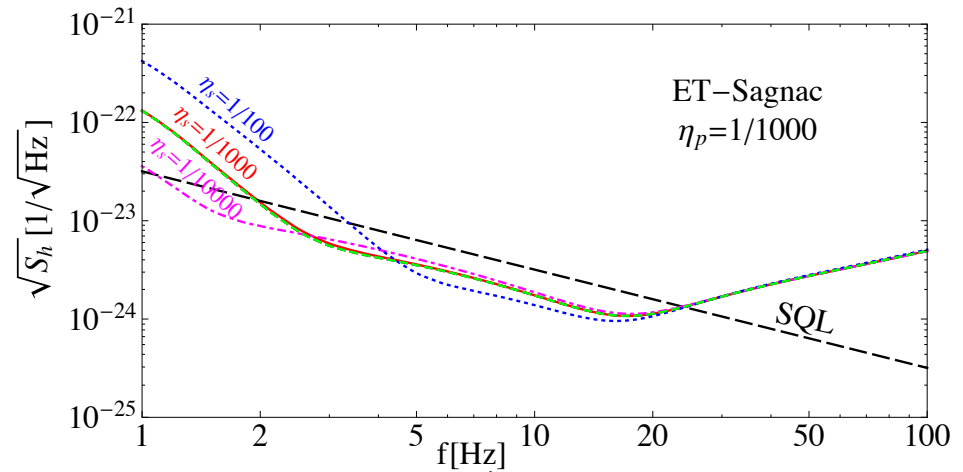
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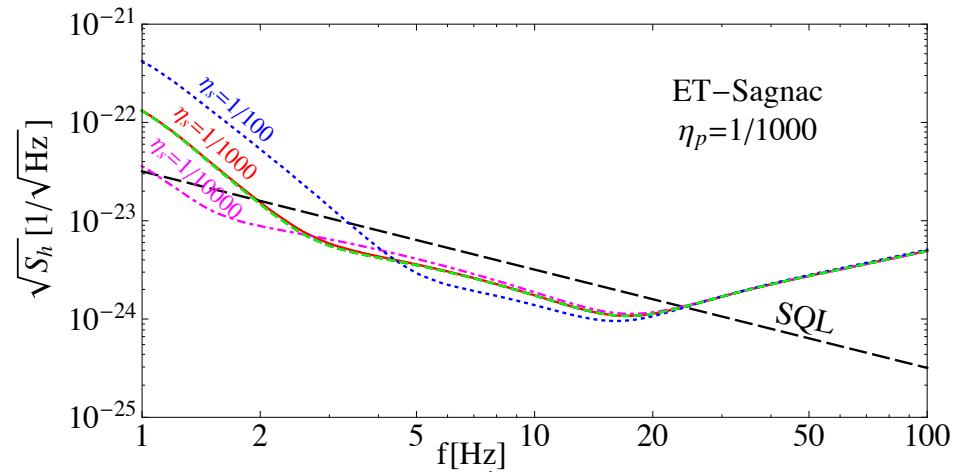
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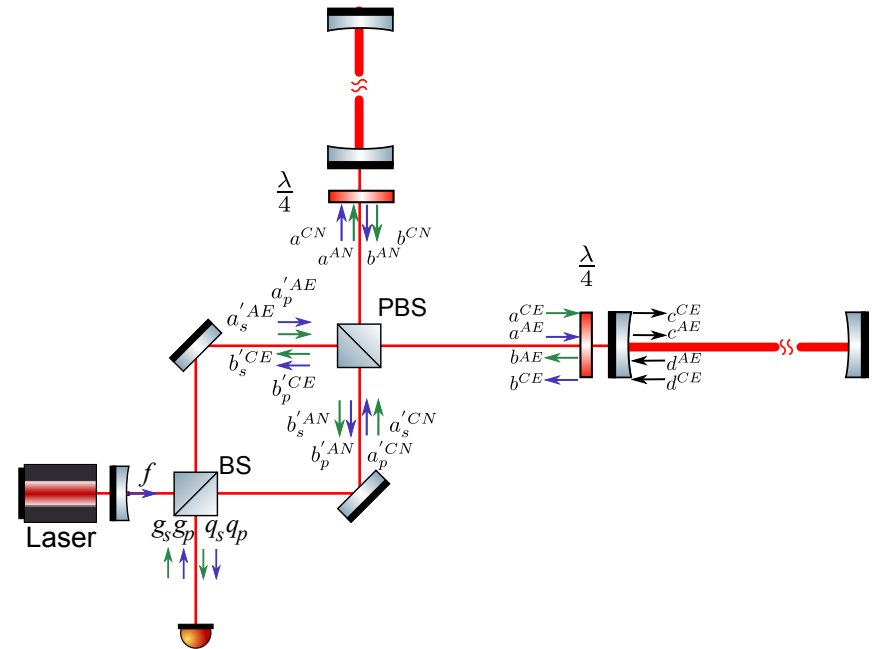
## Can we do the DC readout for the Sagnac?

- Required ratio (ratio between the LO power to central BS power)

$$\gamma = 1.75 \times 10^{-5}$$

- Sagnac has null response to static mirror displacement

- LO can be created by
  - Non-zero Sagnac Area
    - a very large area required ❌
  - Non-50:50 central BS
    - not in the right quadrature ❌
  - Leaked s-polarized field
    - an intended arm length offset ?



$$q_{LO} = \sqrt{\eta_s} H_{arm} \frac{\Delta L}{L}$$

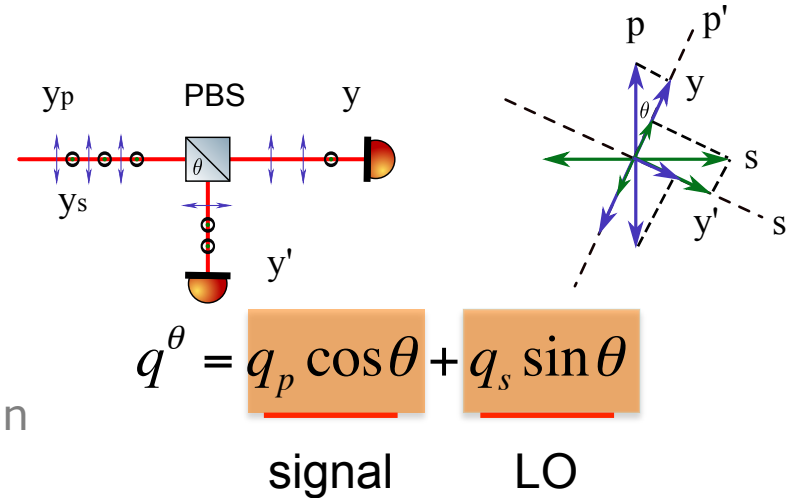


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- Parameter requirements for DC readout

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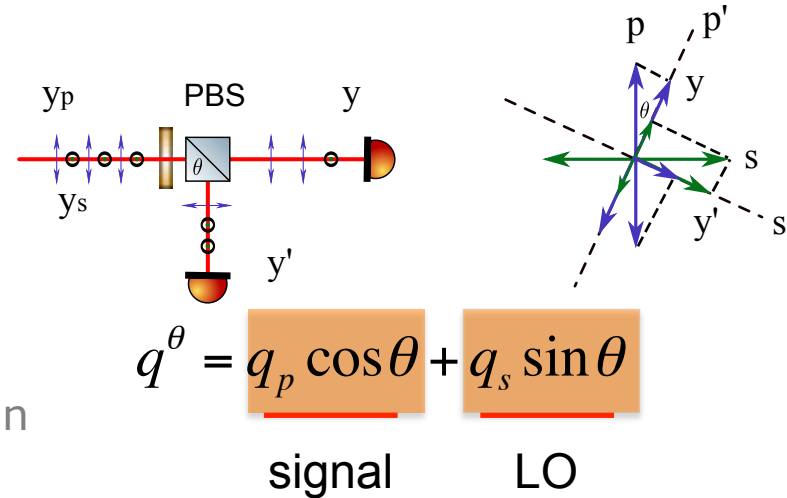
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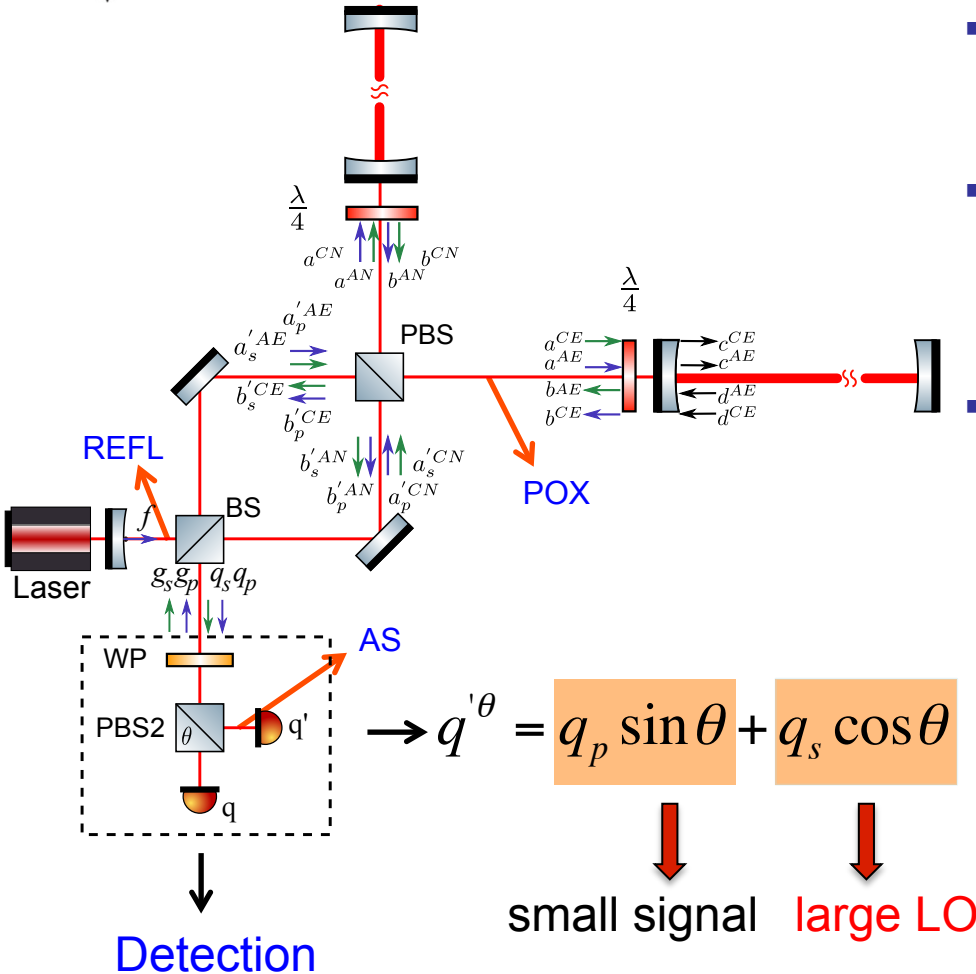
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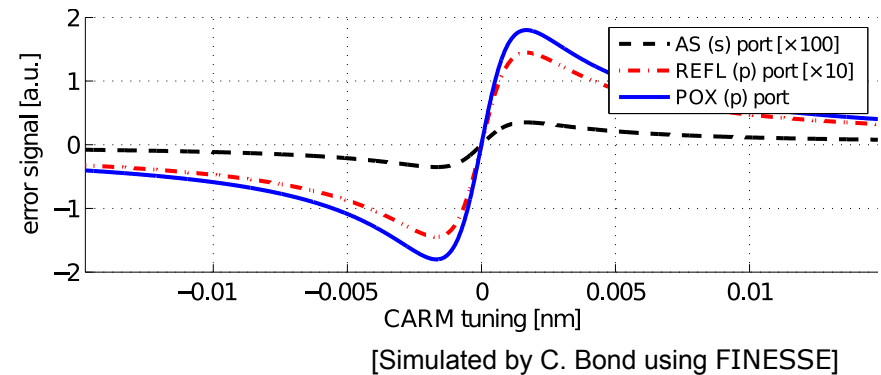
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# Potential mirror position control



- We need to control 4 different degrees of freedom (DoFs) in this 'Sagnac'
- Preliminary results have shown that error signals can be extracted at this port (AS) as well as other ports, i.e., REFL, Pickoff (POX/POY)
- Full control scheme needs further investigation





# A polarizing Sagnac interferometer

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## Advantages

- Using linear arm cavities
- No need for filter cavities to reduce low-frequency quantum noise
- No need for signal recycling in ET-LF
- Less susceptible to optical losses
- Realization of DC readout scheme

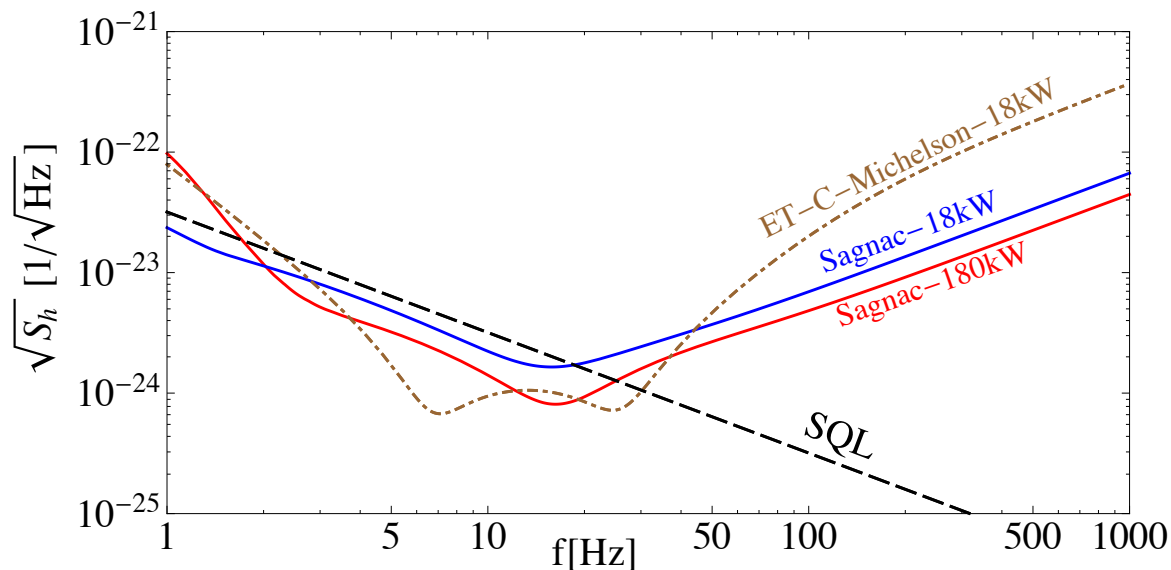
## Challenges

- The performance greatly relies on the quality of polarizing optics
- The birefringence of cryogenic optics not yet considered
- The position control of polarizing optics, including the polarization axes control



# Conclusion

- We show a potential implementation of a polarizing Sagnac interferometer for ET-LF detectors
- It presents a comparable sensitivity curve whilst having a reduced complexity of the system that does **not** require **filter cavities** nor a **signal recycling mirror**
- A **realization of DC readout** is achieved by detecting the mixed polarized outputs due to the PBS's finite extinction ratio





**Thank you !**



## Appendix: ET-LF: Sagnac V.S. Michelson

- A higher power use is still possible, though resulted in a higher mirror thermal and suspension noise [1]
- Based on the ET model: temperature increased to 20K and the noise increases by a factor of  $\sqrt{2}$
- The power increased curves also include a bandwidth adjustments, broader bandwidth are required to satisfy the lowest peaks sitting around 10Hz. Parameters are

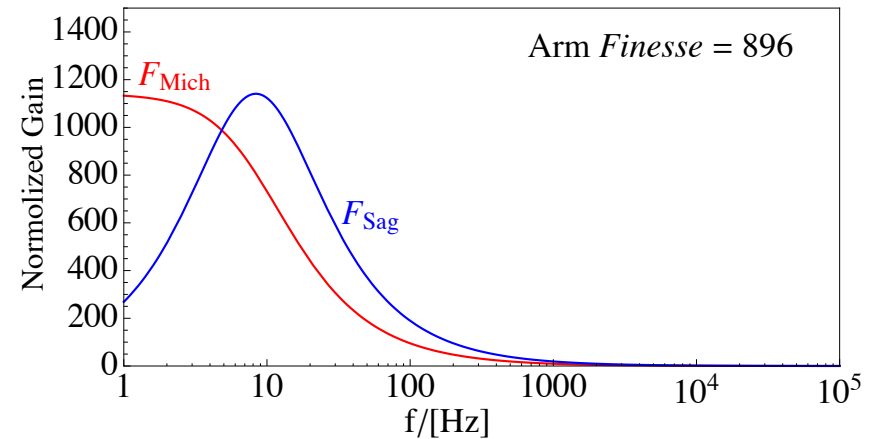
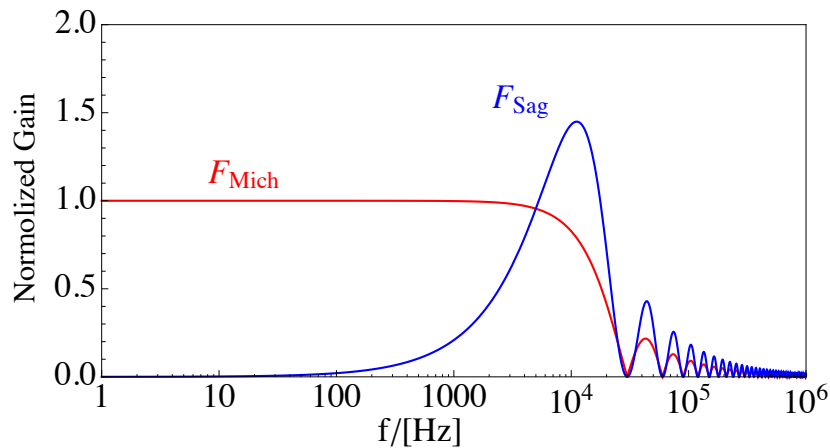
Input mirror reflectivity	0.981	0.971	0.953
Input power	45.8W	665W	10.86kW
Cavity power	18KW	180KW	1.8MW
Homodyne angle	1.263	0.77	0.402

[1] D. Shoemaker, “Future Limits to Sensitivity,” at the Aspen Workshop, 2001



## Appendix: response issue

- Sagnac has null response to static mirror displacement
- The Sagnac interferometer transfer function can be improved via having longer arm length and high finesse arm cavities







## Appendix: Cryogenic mirror

- Two origins of the heat inputs into the cold mirror:
  - thermal radiation from the warm surface of the vacuum tube
  - absorption of a small fraction of the laser light  
i.e., 1ppm absorption 18kW power → 18mW absorbed power
- The equilibrium temperature is achieved when the power extracted by the cooling system is equal to the power absorbed by the mirror, where  $\langle k_{si} \rangle$  is the thermal conductivity of silicon (maximum at 30K)

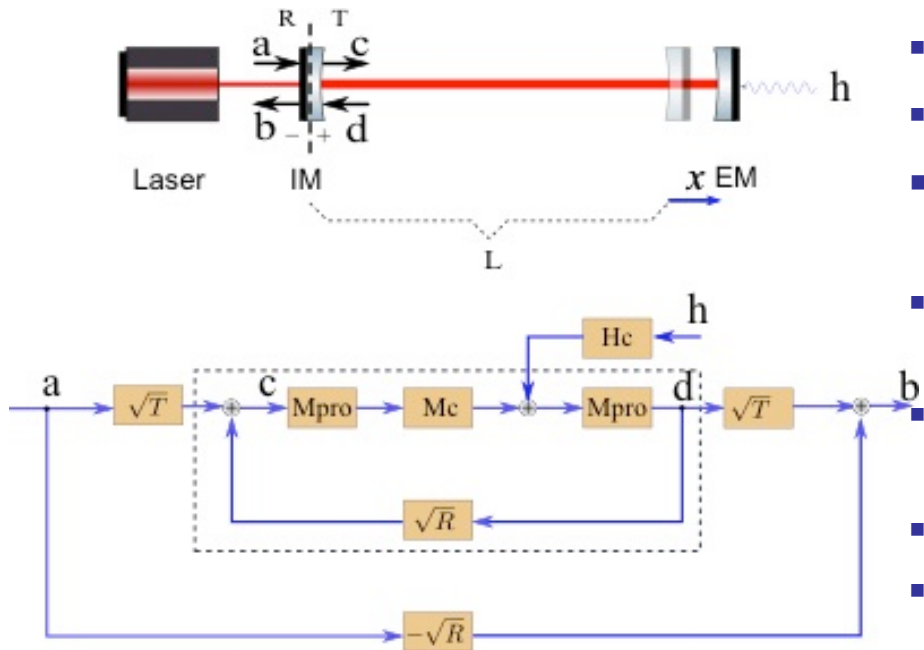
$$Q_{abs} = \frac{4S}{L} \langle k_{si} \rangle (T_{mir} - T_{fix})$$

- We still have room



# Input-output Relation of a Cavity

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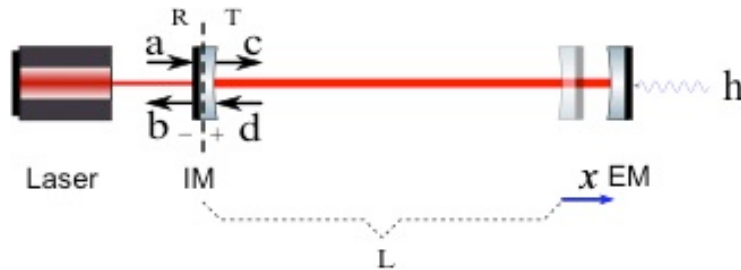


- $a, b, c,$  and  $d$  : light fields
- $h$  : gravitational wave signal
- $x$  : Radiation pressure induced mirror displacement
- $M_{\text{pro}}$  : transfer function of a light field propagating a distance  $L$
- $M_c$  : transfer function of end mirror including mechanical response
- $T$  : input mirror reflectivity
- $R$  : input mirror transmissivity



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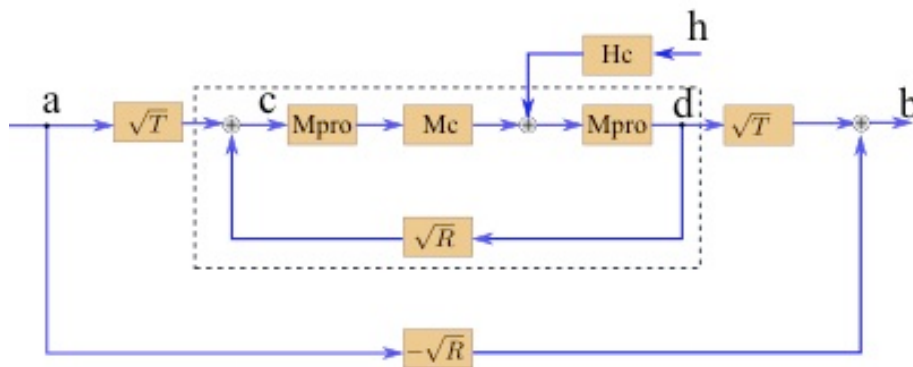
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$$c = \sqrt{T}a + \sqrt{R} \cdot d$$

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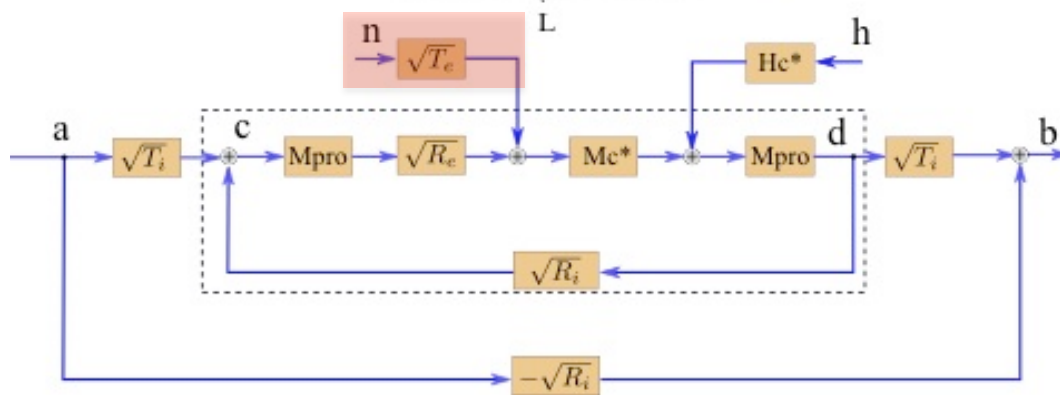
- Adding optical losses



$$c = \sqrt{T_i}a + \sqrt{R_i} \cdot d$$

$$d = M_{pro} \cdot M_c^* \cdot M_{pro} \cdot c + H_c^* \cdot h + \sqrt{T_e} M_c^* \cdot M_{pro} \cdot n$$

$$b = -\sqrt{R_i}a + \sqrt{T_i}d$$



- New blocks for a lossy cavity

$$b = M_{arm} a + M_h h + M_n n$$

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