

GEO 600 Calibration

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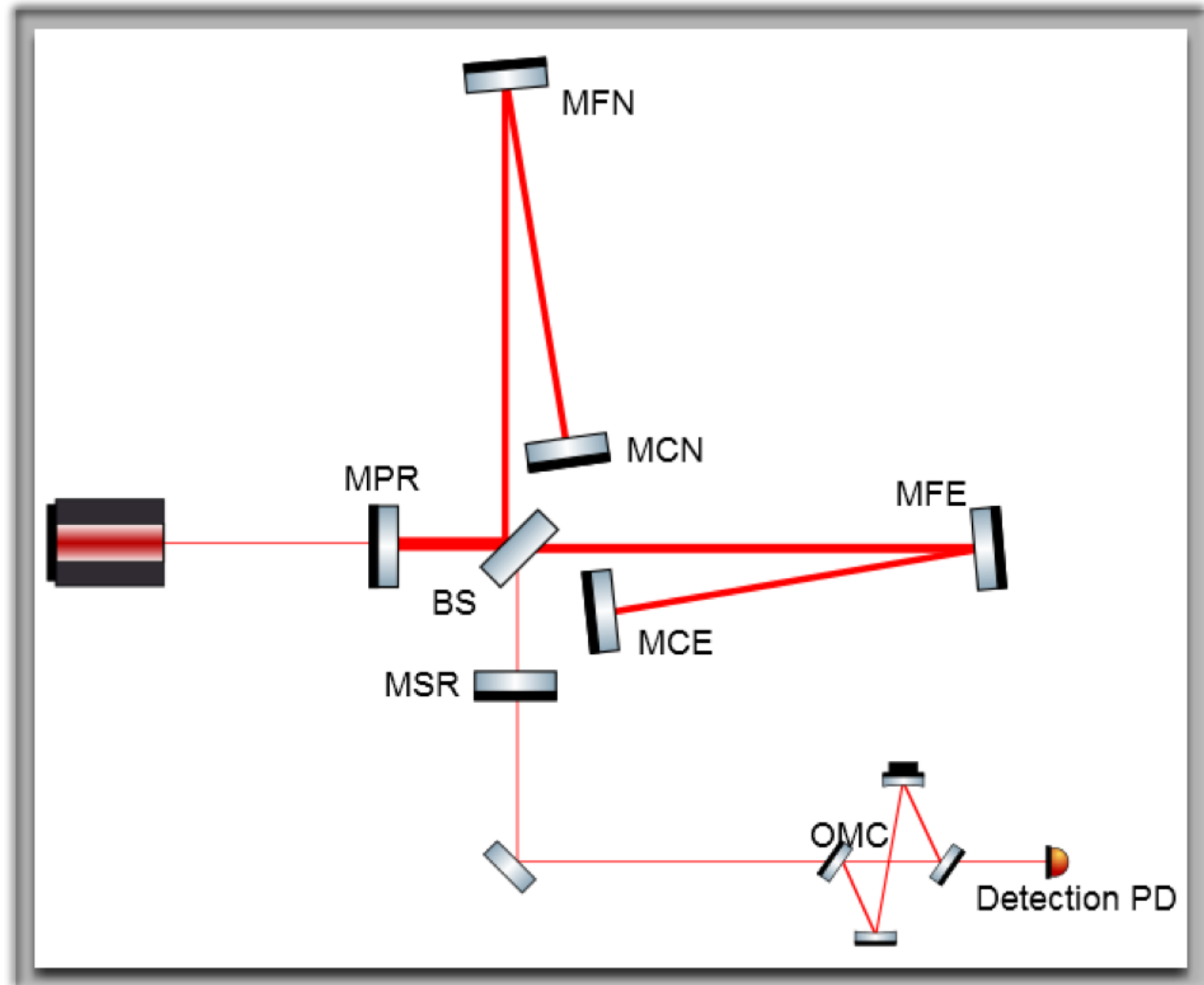
Calibration at GEO

- GEO 600 overview
- Laser frequency reference
- Photon Pressure Calibration
- current online calibration process
- new realtime calibration under development

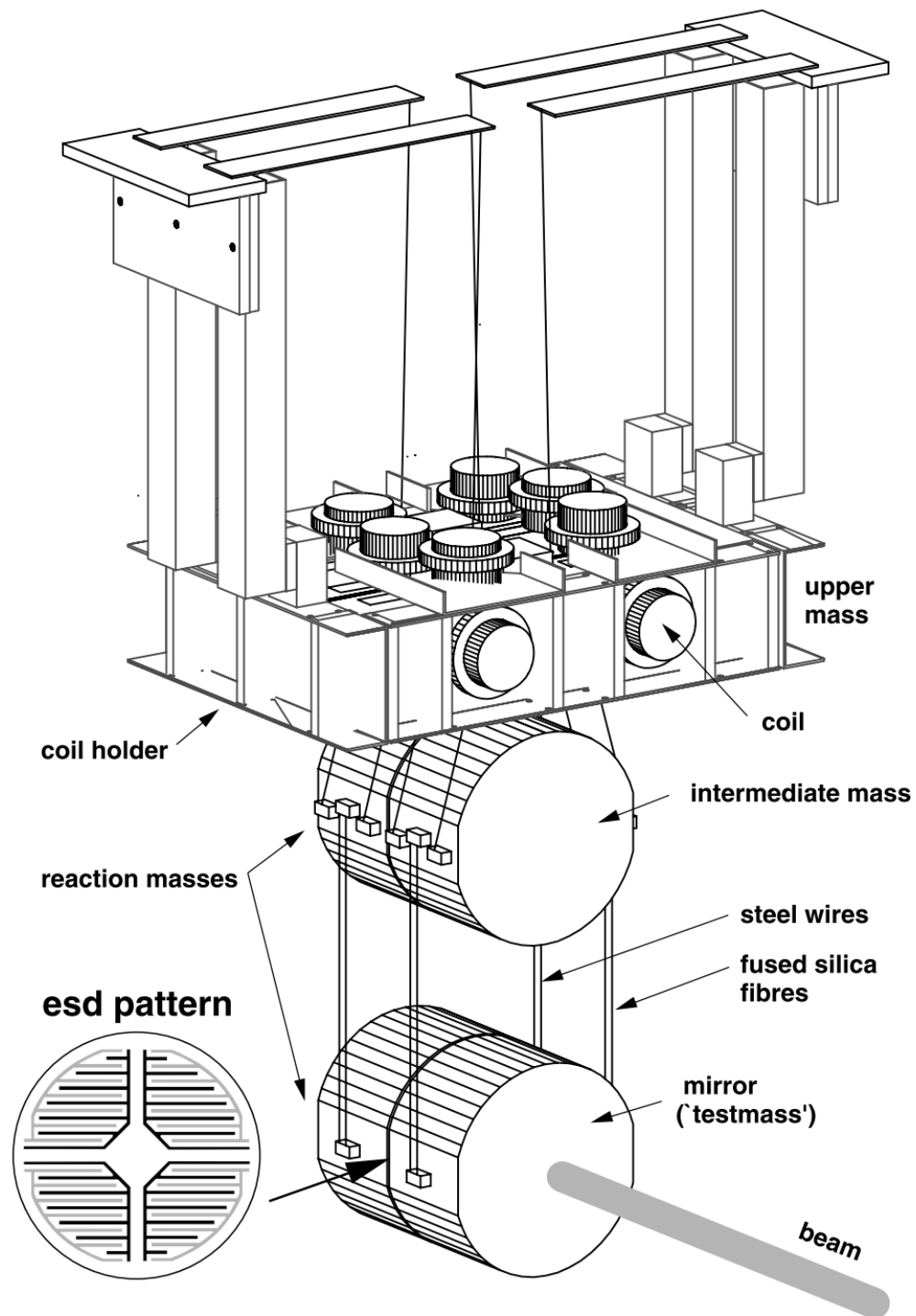


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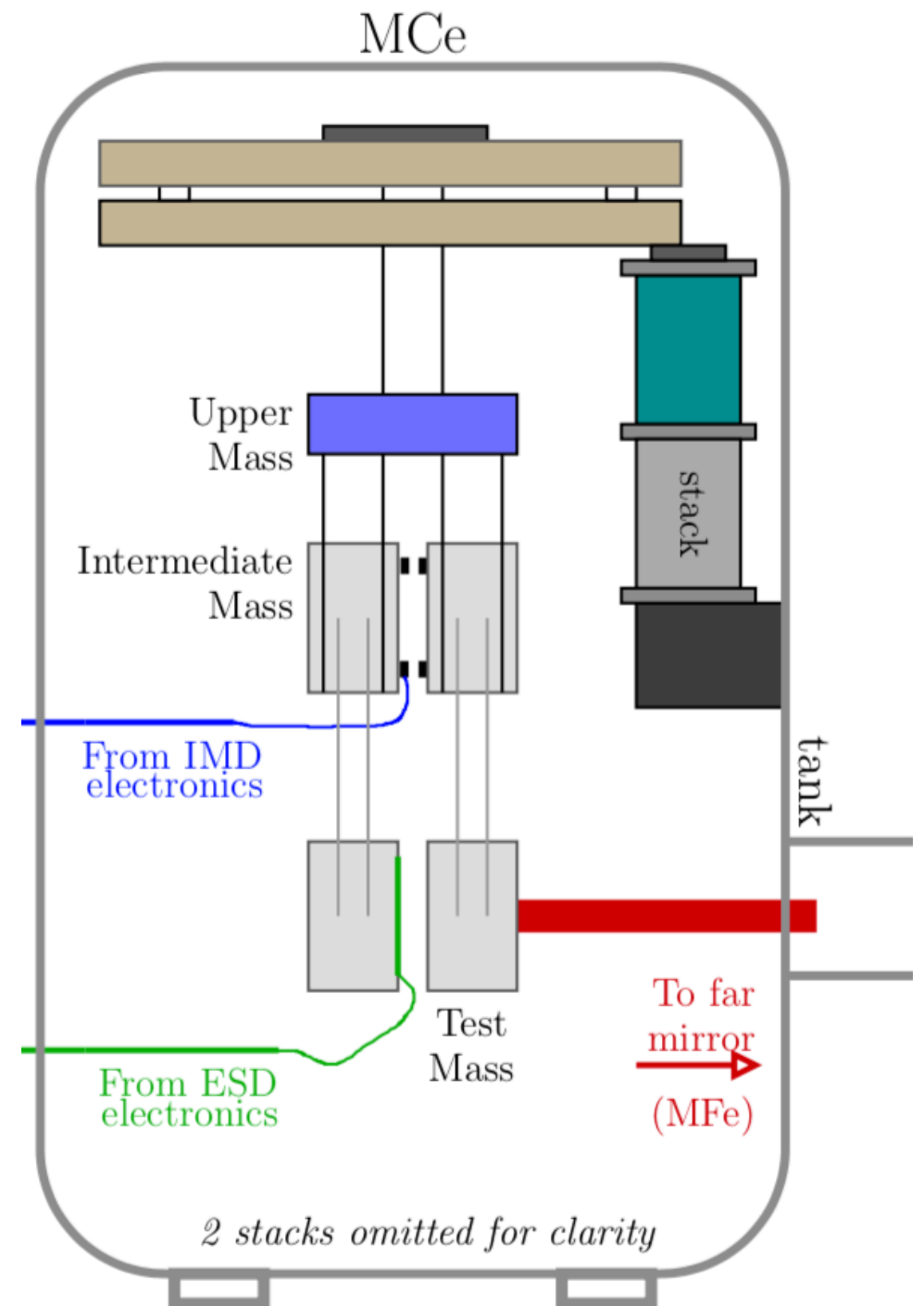
- Dual recycled folded Michelson - no arm cavities!
- IFO control is all in one building (essentially)
- ESD actuators
- DC readout, Dark Fringe Offset
- Squeezing enhanced - > equivalent to about 4 times more circulating power



Length Actuation



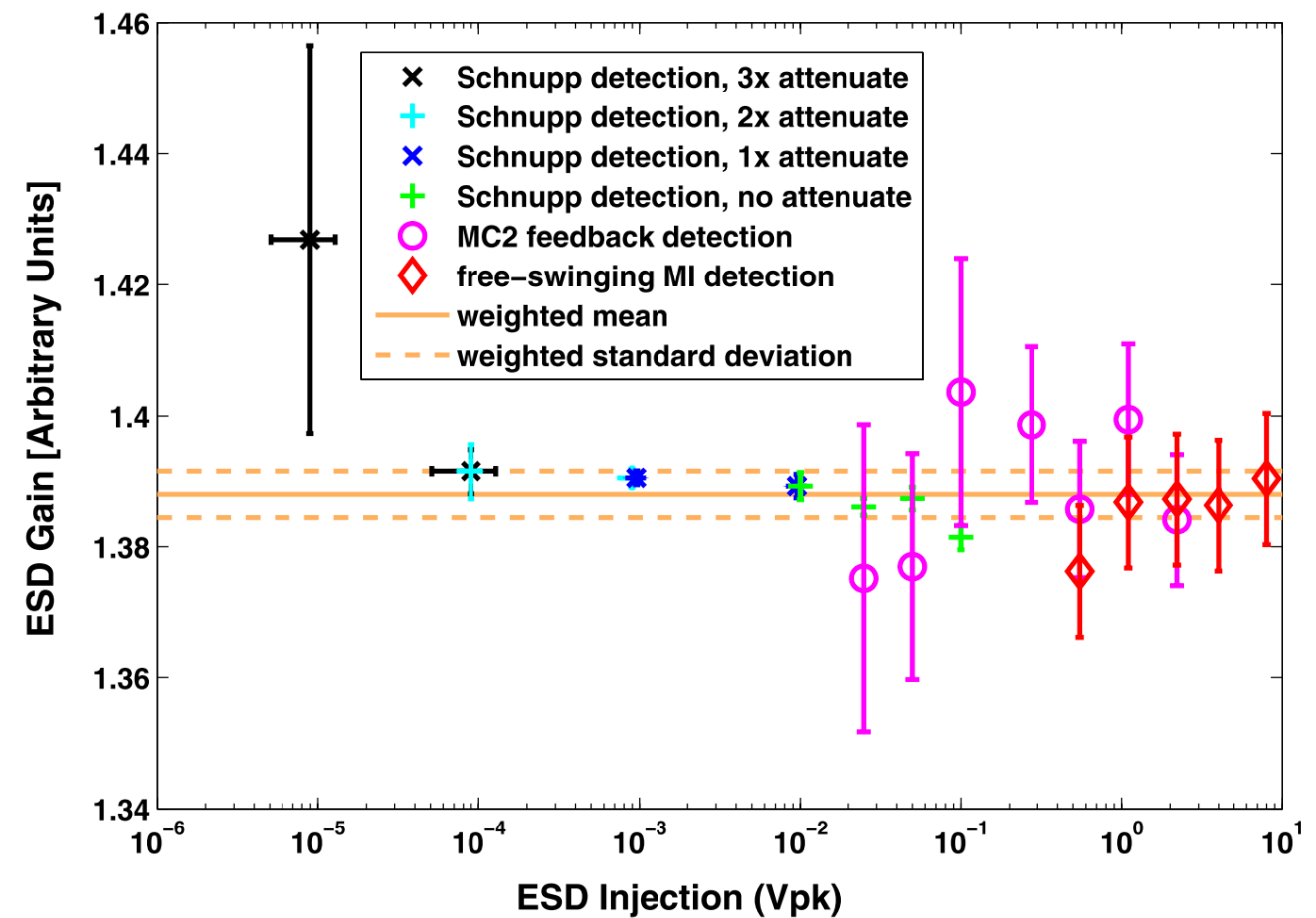
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Hewitson, PhD thesis 2004

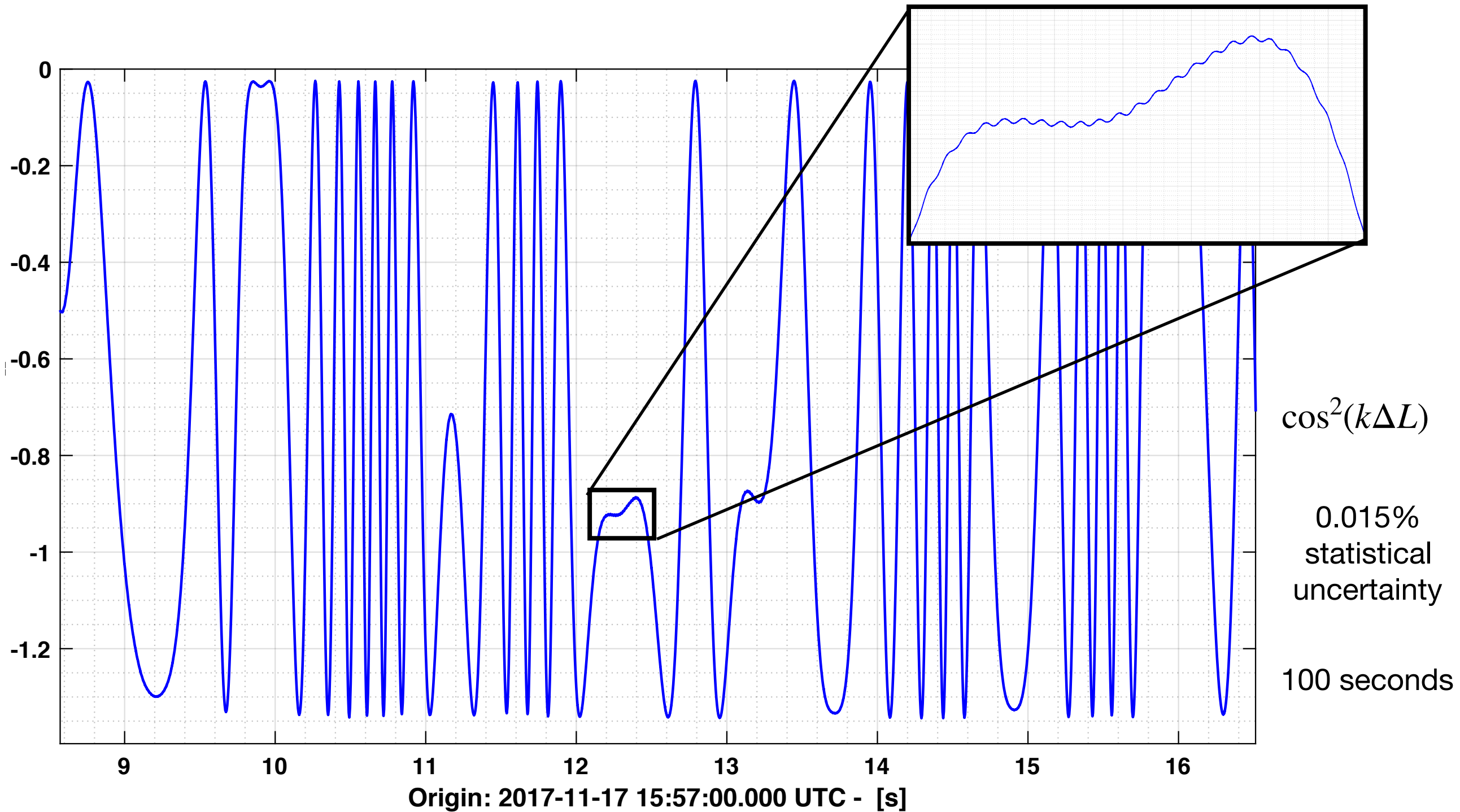
Free Swinging Michelson

- mirrors aligned swing through resonance freely. force modulation applied using ESD.
- overall amplitude (light to dark) represents $\lambda/4$ motion [north-east]. Calibrates modulation length measurement.
- test for linearity over 5 orders of magnitude: $\sim 0.3\%$

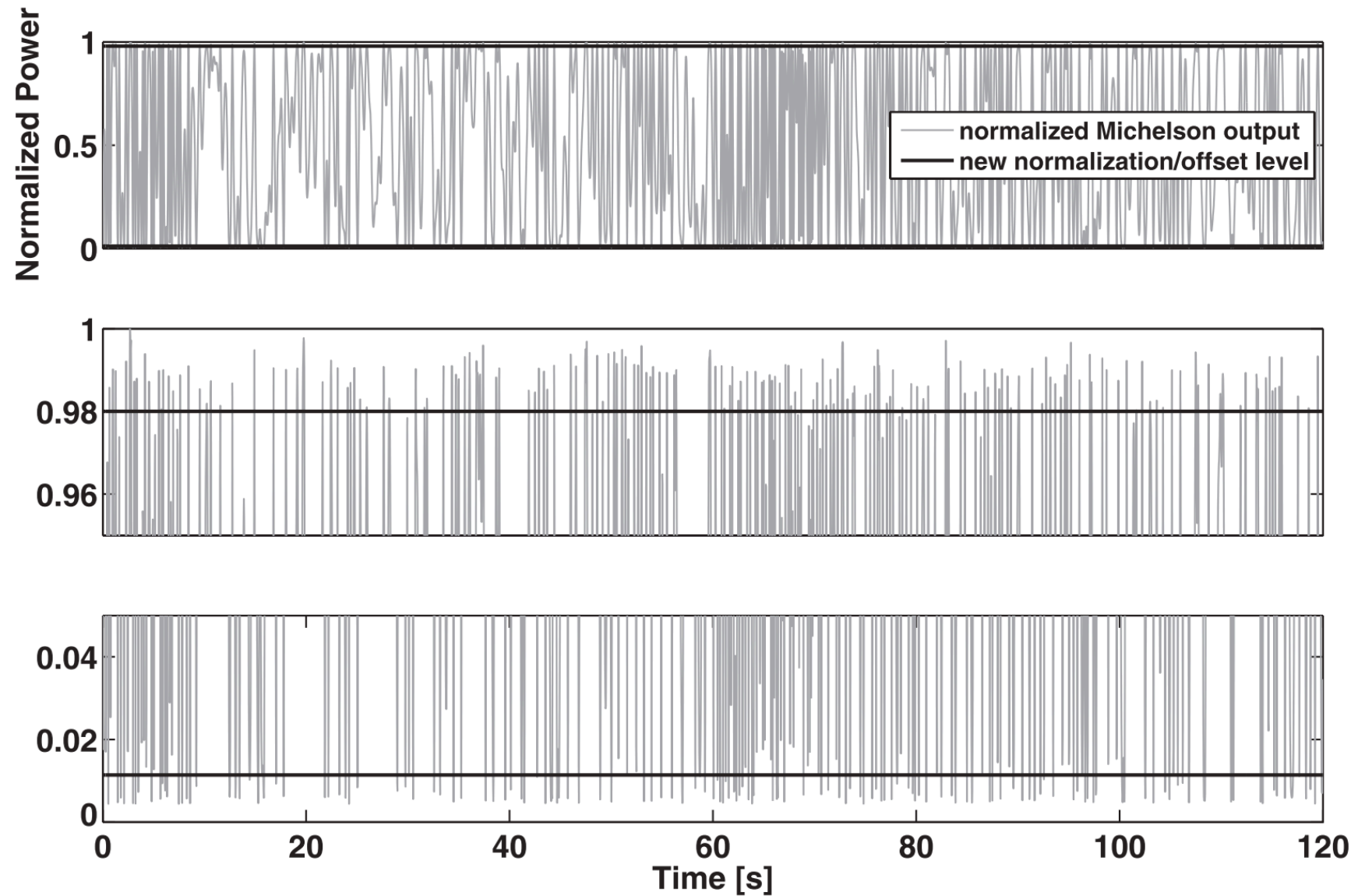


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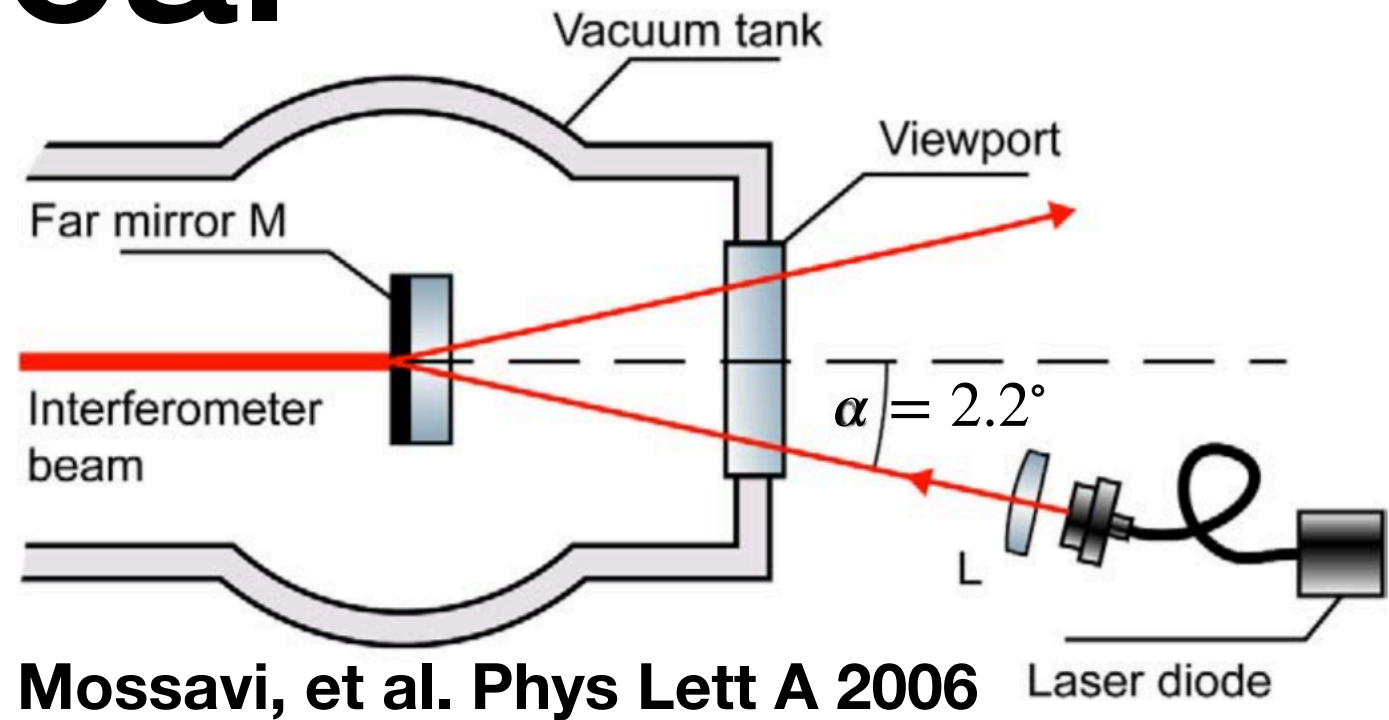


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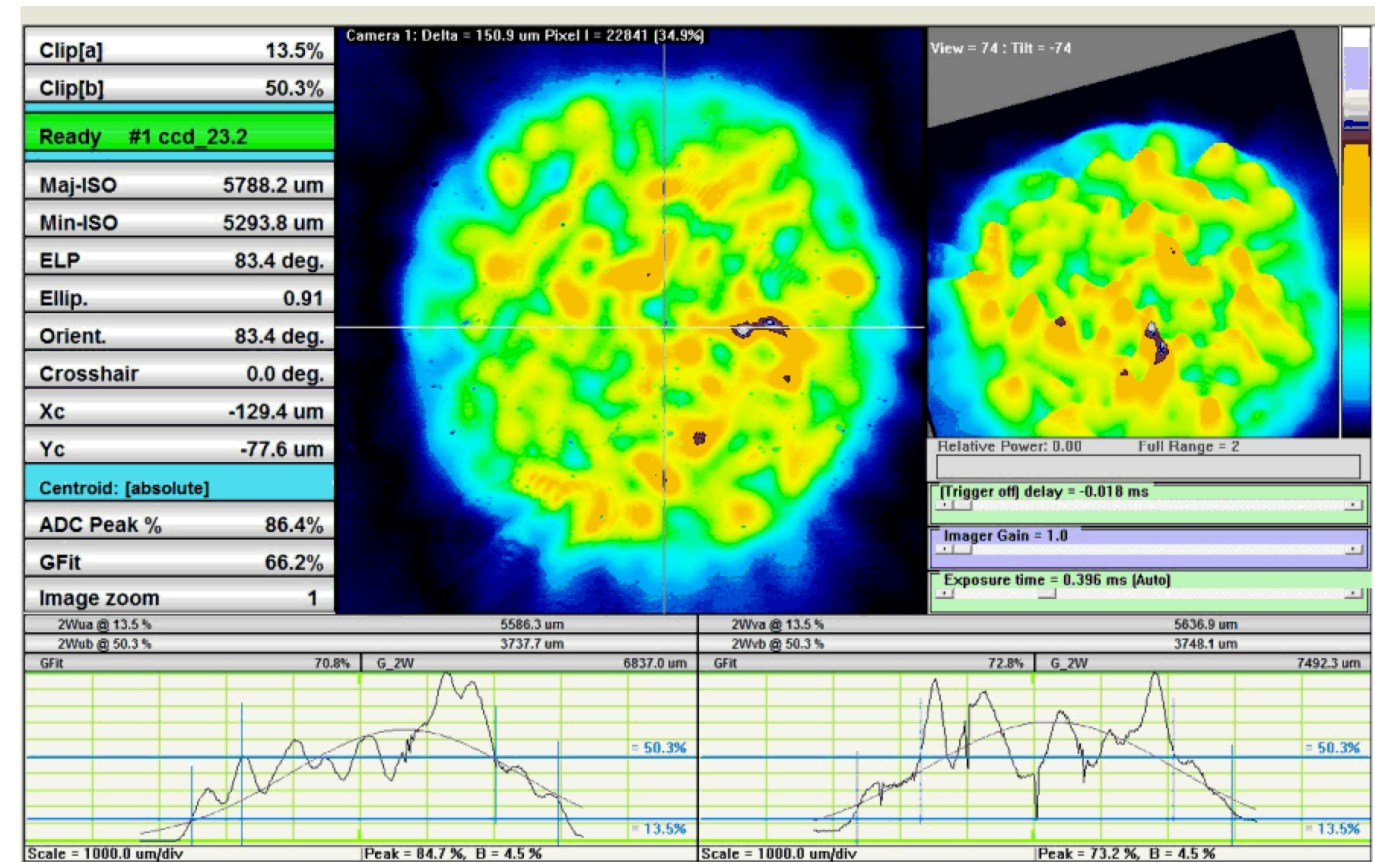
Test for systematic uncertainty related to power fluctuations and alignment: $<3\%$

Pcal

- Multimode fiber coupled 1035nm laser
- Far North folding mirror
- unknown ~20% loss on reflection
- beam profile kind of not nice...

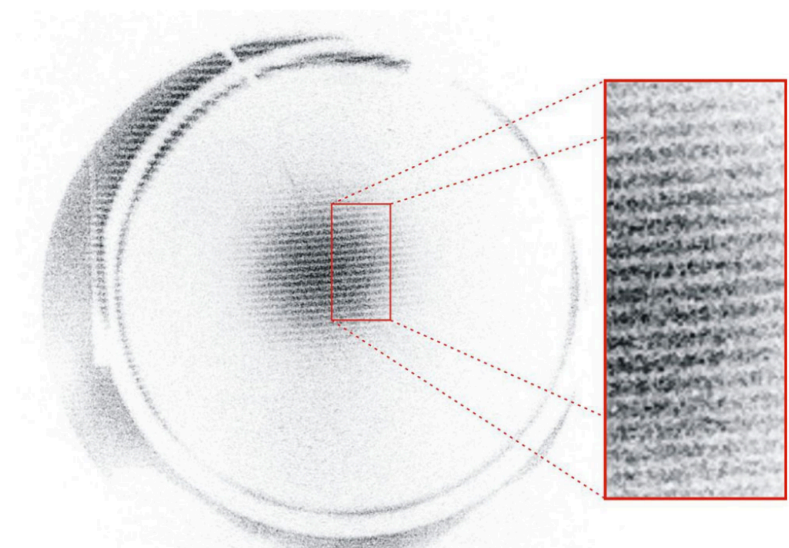
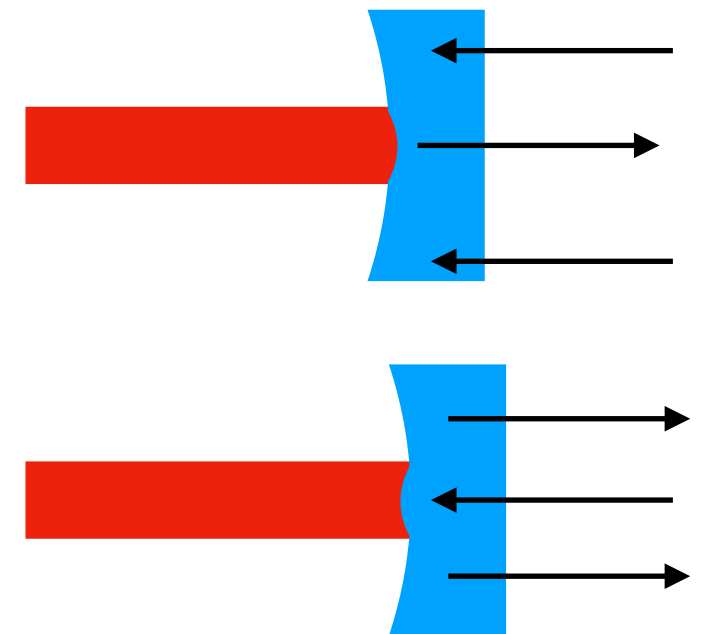
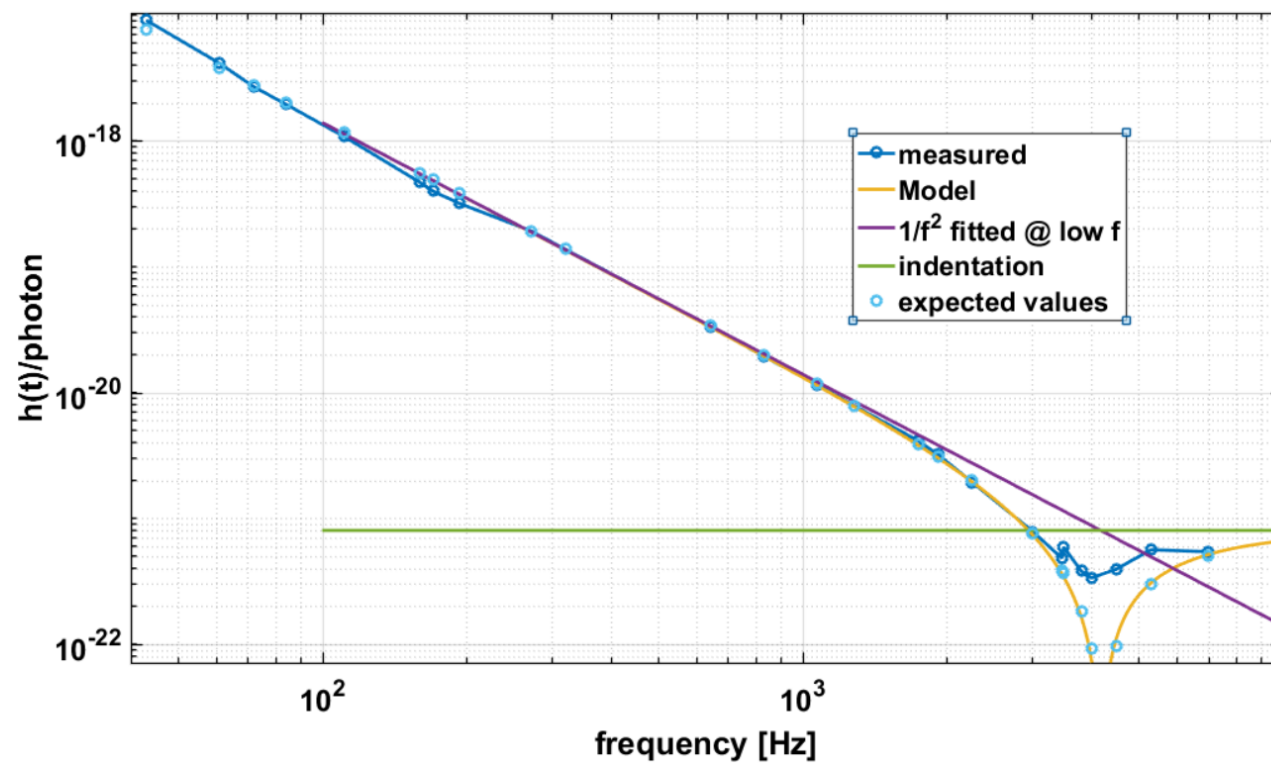


Mossavi, et al. Phys Lett A 2006



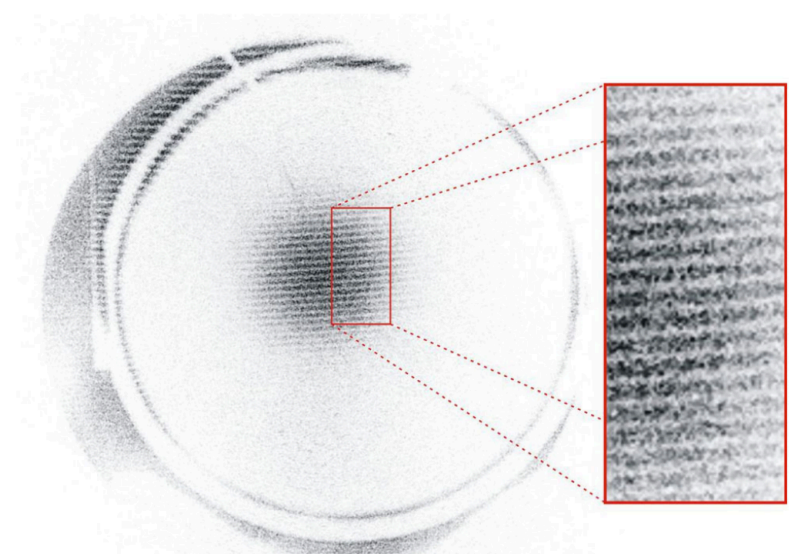
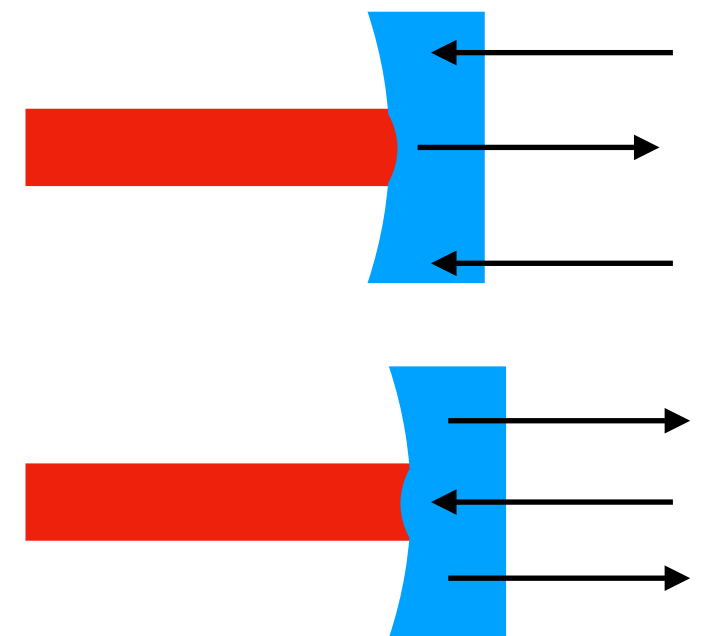
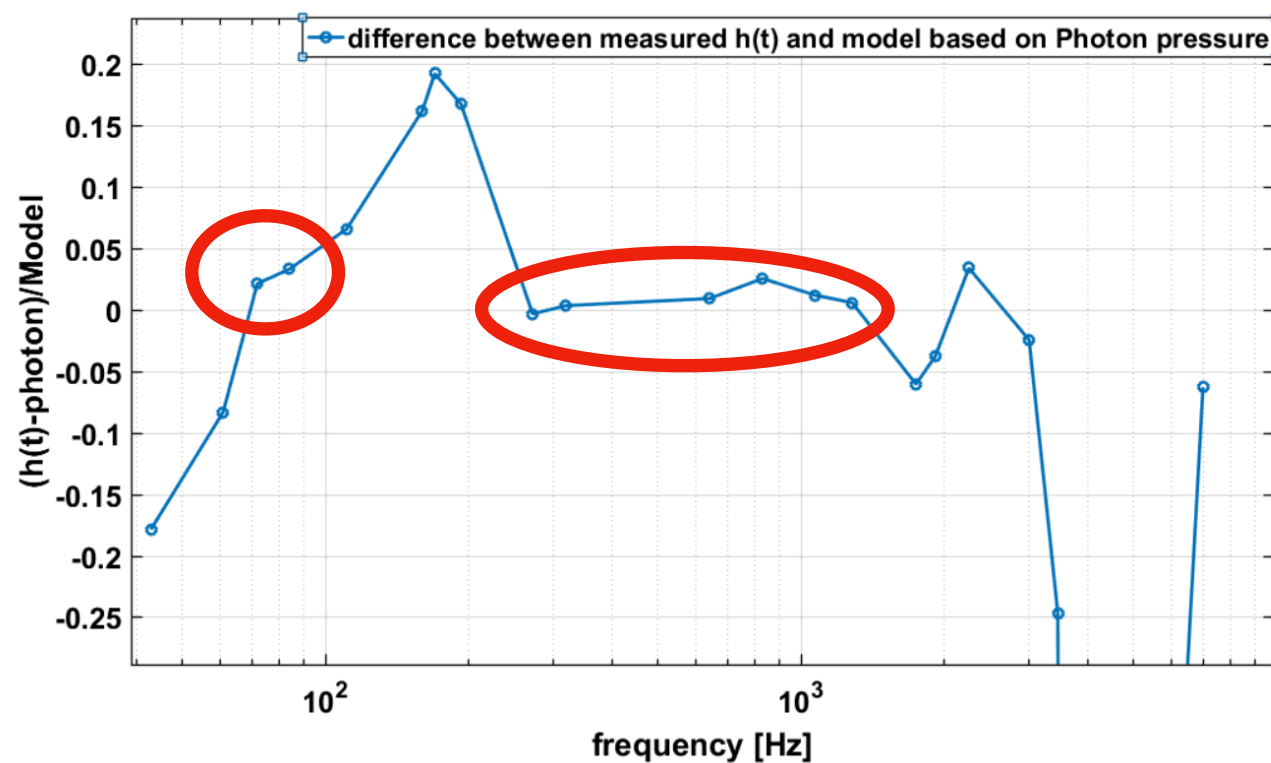
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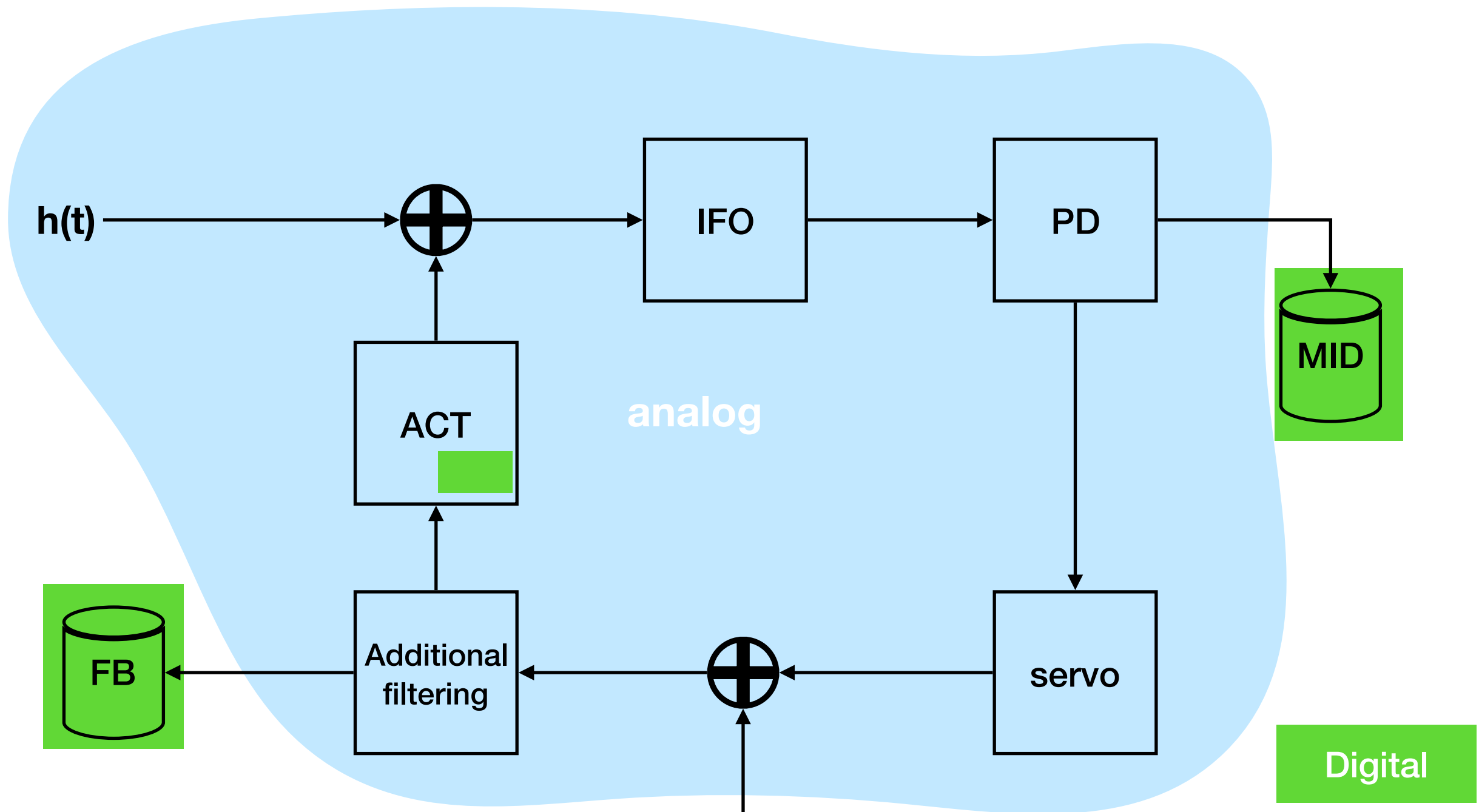


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calibration process



Cal lines: $IFO = (MID/PD) / (FB*ACT)$

└─ fit optical gain and pole

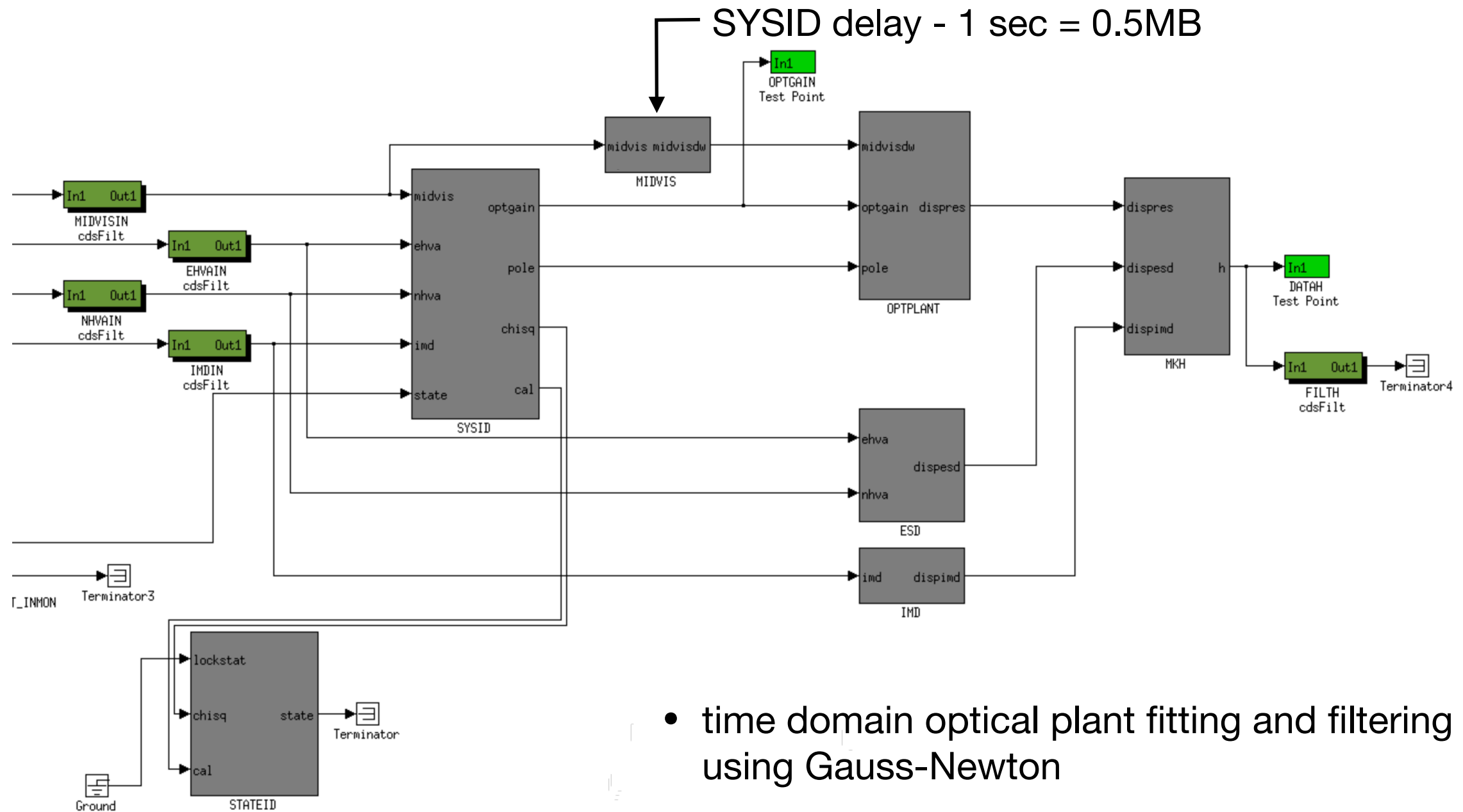
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$h(t) = MID/PD/IFO - FB*ACT$

low latency calibration

- Currently using the same method from the original implementation, with some tweaks
 - power recycled -> dual recycled
 - heterodyne -> DC readout (tuned)
- frequency domain measurements of optical plant
- time domain filtering
- latency: order seconds

realtime calibration



- time domain optical plant fitting and filtering using Gauss-Newton
- latency determined by the SYSID filtering

What's next?

- better understanding of free swinging Michelson systematics
- better pcal - cross check for FSM/other detectors, online actuator strength calibrator
- finish realtime calibration
 - Gauss-Newton -> Kalman filtering
 - detuned signal recycling SYSID
- complete review of electronics calibration

Newtonian Calibrator at GEO? NO!



THE END