Visiting LIGO 40m and LHO

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Overview

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•Visiting LIGO (2008/6/16-2008/8/18)

- Caltech 40m Lab (2W)
- LIGO Hanford Observatory (3W)
- Caltech 40m Lab (4W)

- Official purpose of the visit

Come and do anything you like (Rana)

- Personal purpose

To be a witness of LIGO technologies

Works at LHO/40m

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LIGO Hanford Enhanced LIGO installation / shakedown

Replaced the laser to 35W PSL. Noise got worse ~ x100

=> Task: Restore the noise level to reasonable level

Caltech 40m Lab
 Development of advanced techniques

=> Task: Precise measurement of cavity mode spacings

LHO: Activities

• LIGO Hanford

H1 Enhanced LIGO installation / shakedown

35W laser OMC & DC Readout scheme New TCS SmCo magnets (against Barkhausen noise) H2 Astrowatch

LSC students on shifts

@LHO

Laser: replaced the laser to 35W PSL Noise: got worse ~ x100 => Task: Noise hunting

LIGO H1 IFO team

Osamu Mitakawa / Matt Evans / Koji Arai Keita Kawabe / Nick Smith (GS)

+ many engneers/operators/technitians

LHO: H1 noise



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LHO: Low freq noise

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 TCS removed => lower power Causes... MICH(dI-)/PRC(dI+) lower S/N Saturation in the actuation ADC noise (whitening gain) DARM(dL-) whitening

 MICH/PRC->DARM couplingow power Tuning of the compensation (feedforward) path band limited noise injection super fine tuning of compensation TF

A2L (angle to length) coupling =actuator balance tuning

LHO: MICH/PRC compensation

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Band limited noise injection noise estimation ~ beyond linear coupling



Injection settings can be stored anyone can reproduce it **LHO:** MICH/PRC compensation

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How to decide compensation path TF?



 ϵ_1 is very small correction, which can not be measured directly without first trial ϵ_0

LHO: After the work

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S5 level was essentially recovered



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LHO: Dark port

Acoustic shield room + shield box + stiff periscope + dust cover



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LHO: Digital control

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• ... is not for everyone

but for experts to concentrate on the top topics



LHO: new TCS and H2 Grec ^{2008/09/05} GW Research Meat.

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•20W CO₂ laser

treatment is not straight foward steering mirror melt...



Recent news from H2

Drag wiping of the test masses => Increase recycling gain to 80 (!)

LHO: Vac work / ISI

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Copening HAM chamber Super technique of the fork!

ISI: replacement of stacks

Testing at the detection chamber





LHO: Optical lever

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Opt levs need to be standing on the ground for stability.

Laser: fiber coupled. 670nm



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Caltech 40m Lab Development of advanced techniques RSE / OMC / DC Readout Advanced LIGO Adaptive FIR feedforwarding

=> Task: Precise measurement of cavity mode spacings

Mode spacing teams
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 Rana Adhikari / John Miller (GS) / Yoichi Aso

Overview

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Mode spacings of an optical cavity

- Londitudinal mode spacing (FSR: Free Spectral Range)
 Determined by the abusolute length of the cavity
- Transverse mode spacing

Depends on the radius of the curvature of the cavity mirrors

Measurement of lond. and trans. mode spacings

- With one of the LIGO 40m arm cavities
- Using auxiliary laser, being injected from the dark port
- RF beating detection at the cavity transmission

Result

- Londitudinal mode spacing & cavity length:

VFSR = 3878678 +/- 30 [Hz] => L = 38.6462 +/- 0.0003 [m]

- Transverse mode spacing & mirror cavatures (flat-concave cavity): δντΕΜ10 = 1207788 +/- 22 [Hz] => RH = 56.1620 +/- 0.0013 [m] δνΤΕΜ01 = 1189070 +/- 17 [Hz] => Rv = 57.3395 +/- 0.0011 [m] **17**

Motivation

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Importance to know mode spacings of cavities

- Precise modelling of optical configurations
- Precise diagnosis of existing optical systems
- Longitudinal mode spacing

o Precise adjustment of an optical system according to a design

o Characterizing phase shift of laser light in a coupled cavity system

- Transverse mode spacing

o Characterizing structures of higher order modes

o Diagnoses of metrological qualities of optics

Motivation

Typical application in interferometer GW detectors

- To determine how much suspensions should be moved in terms of the optical design
- To know how much phase shift modulation sidebands acquire at a non-resonant reflection by a cavity
- To avoid higer-order mode resonance at the carrier frequency
- To measure polishing quality
- To measure thermal lensing effect

Requirement

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Method for the mode spacings of 1~100-m scale cavities => mode spacings of about 1~100MHz

- For shorter cavity (~10cm) cavity scanning would give a good measurement

- For longer cavity (100m~)

frequency modulation (even through a mode cleaner) would provide a measurement of the cavity response

Precision of better than 10⁻⁴
 => Cavity length / radius of curvature in ~1mm
 => mode spacings with precision of ~100Hz

Applicable for an existing complex optical system
 => Testing at the LIGO 40m interfeormeter
 => Preffered to be comptible with the LIGO 4km/2km interferometers

Method

Resonate two laser beams to the cavity simultaneously

- Main beam and the aux. beam injected from the dark port
- Frequency difference of the two beams: stabilized by PLL servo
- Beating appears at the cavity transmission

only at the resonance of the aux. beam

- The mode spacings are directly read

from the LO freq. of the PLL at the max transmission of the mode



Experimental Setup

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Optical setup

On the AP table



On the PSL table



Detection setup



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PLL LO frequency scanning from 2MHz to 20MHz

=> Record an RF amplitude at each frequency



Equispaced peaks for TEM00 modes are clearly observed 24

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Detailed plot and fitting of each peak

Each of the five peaks are fitted by the following formula:

 $V(f) = A / Sqrt[1 - (f-f_0)^2/f_c^2]$ f: variable A, f0, fc: parameters







The table of the center frequency f_0 :

- 3879251.9 Hz +/- 8.8 Hz f1:
- f2: 7757968.1 Hz +/- 10.8 Hz
- f3: 11636612.9 Hz +/- 10.2 Hz
- 15515308.1 Hz +/- 8.7 Hz f4:
- f5: 19393968.7 Hz +/- 8.4 Hz

Each peak frequency was measured by precision of 10Hz (= 0.4ppm ~ 2ppm)

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Analysis of the peak frequencies

The five peaks frequencies are on a linear line.



o After the measurement the alignment was adjusted. This reduced the carrier lock detuning by 500Hz.

o Fluctuation of FSR was less than 30Hz. This includes statistical error, fluctuation of FSR, and that of the carrier lock detuning

(8ppm)

fFSR = 3878678 Hz +/- 30 Hz => L_{Yarm} = 38.6462 m +/- 0.0003 m 26

Results ~ transverse mode ^{2008/09/05} GW Research Meat. K. Arai

• Knife edge experiment

Horiz. or Vert half of the transmitted beam were blocked by a razor blade

=> the transmitted RF PD becomes sensitive to the higher order modes (similar to Anderson technique c.f. *Appl. Opt.* **23** (1984) 2944)

Aux beam is also misaligned to increase the amount of injected TEM_{10/01}



TEM10 and TEM01 peaks appeared. Split of their frequency (~19kHz)is found!=>The cavity end mirror has an astigmatism27

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o Those numbers give the radius of curvature of the mirror

R_H = 56.1620 +/- 0.0013 [m] (23ppm) R_V = 57.3395 +/- 0.0011 [m] (19ppm)

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Summary

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Future works

- Extending the method for the other cavities / AdvLIGO

Current locking scheme



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Adaptive Feedforwarding

e.g. Adaptive Seismic Subtraction

Seismic noise ->[H(f)]-> Mirror motion (measurable) (?) (measureable)

Why can't we subtract the mirror motion by feedforwarding? => Usually H(f) is too complicated



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Adaptive Feedforwarding

Adaptive Seismic Subtraction

Mode cleaner length control

Two 3-axis seismometers 2048 tap for MISO FIR

Surprising This is not a simulation, but real data!



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Discussion

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About the carrier (PSL) lock detuning

The large (~500Hz) offset of the carrier lock by misalignment.

- In principle, this should not happen by misalignment. ***In principle***
- By a faster measurement, the precision may be improved.(?)

Scanning of the FSR not only higer side of the carrier

but also lower side ensures the offset really exists.

About phase detection

- The resonant freqs = the peak freqs => this is a power detection
- Can we improve the precision by phase detection?
- Probably, it will be **difficult**. Because:

The aux beam is not enough stable owing to the low gain/bandwidth of the PLL servo. => This method is like a narrow band noise injection

The frequency of the aux beam is locked, but the phase is not locked. The incident beam has arbitrary phase.

- Do we use phase correction? (PZT in the injection path)

Future Works

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Measuremet for the other 40m arm

- For TEM₀₀, TEM₀₁/ $_{10}$

Characterization/Improvement of the PLL servo

- Openloop TF, in-loop/out-of-loop signal
- Wider bandwidth, higher gain

Measrement for PRC/SEC

- Extending the method for shorter cavities.

=> Wider scanning range probably required

- The cavities with lower finesse (or even frequency dependent)
 - => Modeling will be needed for predicting/understanding the result.
- Individual/recombined PRC/SEC length

=> provides a precise BS branching ratio

Modeling work for the 40m & AdvLIGO to know:

- How much the optical lengths should be adjusted
- Requirements for the radius of curvature

Previous works

R. G. DeVoe et al, Phys. Rev. A 30 (1984) 2827-2829

"Laser-frequency division and stabilization"

Measurement of the londitudinal mode spacing for a 50-cm table top cavity, using double frequency modulation/demodulation. Observed $dL/L=2x10^{-10}$ level fluctuation.

A. Araya et al, Applied Optics 38 (1999) 2848-2856

"Absolute-Length Determination of a Long-Baseline Fabry-Perot Cavity by Means of Resonating Modulation Sidebands"

Measurement of the londitudinal mode spacing for a 300-m suspended FP cavity, using similar technique to DeVoe's one. Observed $dL/L=6x10^{-8}$ level fluctuation.

M. Rakhmanov et al, Meas. Sci. Technol. 10 (1999) 190-194.

"An optical vernier technique for in situ measurement of the length of long Fabry-Perot cavities"

Measurement of the londitudinal mode spacing for a 40-m suspended FP cavity, using cavity length sweeping. The obtained precision was $dL/L=10^{-4}$.

The VIRGO collaboration, Applied Optics 46 (2007) 3466-3484.

"Measurement of the optical parameters of the Virgo interferometerier"

Measurement of the londitudinal and transverse mode spacings for cavities including 3000-m suspended FP arms, using cavity length sweeping. The precisions for the londitudinal and the transverse were 10^{-5} and $5x10^{-3}$, respectively.

Previous works

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M. Rakhmanov et al, Class. Quantum Grav. 21 (2004) S487-S492 "Characterization of the LIGO 4 km Fabry.Perot cavities via their highfrequency dynamic responses length and laser frequency variations"

R. Savage et al, LSC Meeting on March 2005 LIGO document G050111-00

"Summary of recent measurements of g factor changes induced by thermal loading in theH1 interferometer"

R. Savage et al, Poster in 6th Edoardo Amaldi Conference (2006) LIGO document G050362-00

"Measurement of thermally induced test mass surface curvature changes in a LIGO 4-km interferometer"

Measurement of the londitudinal and transverse mode spacings for LHO 4km suspended FP cavities, using transfer function measurement with injected phase modulation sidebands through the mode cleaner. The precisions for the londitudinal and the transverse were $2x10^{-8}$ and $7x10^{-4}$, respectively. Change of the mirror curvature by the thermal effect is observed.

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• Optical layout at the AP table

Periscope:

To raise the beam elevation from 3inch to 4inch

INJ_SM1/2:

To steer the aux. beam independetly from the main beam

HWP1:

Half wave plate to make the beam horiz-polarized (42deg nominal)

FI:

Faraday isolator

HWP2:

To make the beam to the IFO horiz-pol (357deg nominal)

MM_Lens:

To match the NPRO mode to the IFO beam. (f=125mm)

SM1/SM2:

Steering mirrors SM2 is a 45deg R=95% mirror so that there can be a beam to the PLL setup



IRIS1/IRIS2: For the coarse alignment of the aux beam

FLIP: Flipper mirror to turn on/off the aux optics.

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Optical layout at the PSL table

PSL_HWP: Half wave plate to make the beam horiz-polarized

PSL_MML: (f=0.401 m) To match the PSL beam to the aux beam at PLL_BS (zR ~ 5m)

PSL_SM: Steering mirror for the PSL beam

PLL_MML: (f=0.687 m) To match the aux beam to the PSL beam at PLL_BS (zR ~ 5m)

PLL_SM1/SM2: Steering mirrors for the aux beam

PLL_BS: BS where the aux beam and the PSL beam recombines

PD_LENS: Lens to focus beam onto the PD

PLL_PD: Thorlab PDA255 ~50MHz



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Optical layout at the Y End table



Steering mirror: To steer the beam to the PD **RF PD:** Thorlab PDA255 ~50MHz The beam is focused at the PD because of the first lens Knife Edge: Placed just in front of the PD so as to avoid diffraction

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Mode matching for the injection beam

Position[m] 0.000	NPRO Shutter		
0.050	H Waist	radius: 0.230mm	zR: 0.156m (c.f. NPRO manual)
	V Waist	radius: 0.175mm	zR: 0.090m (c.f. NPRO manual)
0.483	Lens1 (f=0.125m)		
0.649	H Waist		zR: 0.0204m
0.656	V Waist		zR: 0.0136m
1.457	Lens2 (f=0.802m)		
10.39	H Waist		zR: 29.3m
(0.002)	V Waist (virtual)		zR: 47.0m

Actual obtained beam overlapping ~ 38%

*The actual position of Lens1 was tweaked to optimize the actual mode matching.

SL beam: Beam collimated in ~1⁺ inch region => zR ~ 0.029m => w0 ~ 0.1mm

PSL beam: Beam collimated in $\sim 1^+$ inch region => $zR \sim 0.029m$ => $w0 \sim 0.1mm$ A lens with f=401mm is used so that the resulting $zR \sim 5m$ is obtained.

Aux beam:Beam collimated in \sim 3 inch region $=> zR \sim 0.075m$ $=> w0 \sim 0.16mm$ A lens with f=687mm is used so that the resulting zR \sim 5m is obtained.

Actual obtained beam overlapping ~ 29%

*The merit of using thick collimated beam:

The tolerances to the londitudinal and transverse position of the beam are relaxed.

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Alignment Procedure

o Preparation

1) Turn on NPRO several hours before the experiment so that the laser frequency can be stable.

2) Open the shutter of NPRO.

o Initial alignment of the injection beam

3) Adjust INJ_SM1/SM2 so that the NPRO beam can go through the center of FI.

- 4) Turn up FLIP. Close the NPRO shutter.
 Adjust M1/FLIP so that the ifo beam can go through IRIS1/IRIS2.
 * IRIS1/2 should be in a reasonable place from the beginning.
- 5) Open the shutter of NPRO again. Adjust SM1/SM2 so that the NPRO beam can go through IRIS1/IRIS2. Confirm the spots on the SM1/SM2 are located at reasonable places on the mirrors.
- 6) Now, it is expected that the reflection of the injection beam from SRM or ITM appears at AS CCD, if either SRM or ITM is aligned.
- 7) Adjust INJ_SM1/INJ_SM2 so that the injection beam at AS CCD can overlap to the IFO beam.
- 8) Confirm the beam at the output of the FI also overlaps. Adjust the steering mirror just before the RF PD.

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Alignment Procedure 2

o Temperature scan for the beat

9) Change the ifo configuration to the X or Y arm only, if not yet done.

10) Put the RF PD output to an RF analyzer. Scan the crystal temperature of the 700mW NPRO so as to find the peak of beating. Note that the beating was found at NPRO LT~48.8deg for PSL LT=~46.5 deg.

o Precise alignment of the injection beam

11) Once the beat is found, you can adjust INJ_SM1/INJ_SM2 such that the beating amplitude is maximized.

o Precise alignment of the PLL alignment

- 12) Confirm all of the beam of the PLL setup is located on the proper position of the mirror. (Particularly, on the AP table)
- 13) Adjust PSL_SM so that the PSL beam overlaps the aux beam at PLL_BS. Adjust PLL_BS so that the beating at the PLL_PD is maximized.

15) Adjust PSL_SM and PLL_BS simultaneously so that the beating at the PLL_PD is further maximized

o Tip for the daily alignment

Only 10)-15) are fine for the daily alignment. If the alignment had been previously adjusted, and you found a large misalignment when FLIP is popped up, it is presumably caused by the flipper. Adjust flipper so that the spot on the CCD video or the beating is optimized.

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Beating conditions on 2008-Aug-03

o How to calculate mode overlapping ratio

E1 = Sqrt(P₁) <TEM₀₀| Exp(i w1 t) E2 = Sqrt(α P₂) <TEM₀₀| Exp(i w₂ t) + Sqrt[(1- α) P₂] <TEM_{XX}| Exp(i w₂ t)

 $E1 E1^* = P_1, E2 E2^* = P_2$

 P_{beat} =(E1+E2)(E1+E2)* = P_1 + P_2 +2 Sqrt($\alpha P_1 P_2$) Cos[i (w1-w2) t]

o Temperature setups NPRO LT = 48.74 deg, PSL LT = 46.45 deg The higher NPRO LT has lead the lower beat freq =>

o Beating at the FI output on 2008-Aug-03

 Pmax
 = 398 mV

 Pmin
 = 174 mV

 Pifo
 = 252 mV

 Pofs
 = 5.80 mV



P1=246mV P2=34mV 57% intenisity modulated α =0.37

f(NPRO) > f(PSL)



o Beating at the PLL PD on 2008-Aug-03

 Pmax
 = 420 mV

 Pmin
 = 162 mV

 Pifo
 = 71.2 mV

 Pofs
 = 6.40 mV

P1=64.8mV P2=220mV 62% intenisity modulated α=0.29

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ifr2023A calibration

 o Calibration of the PLL LO frequency is essential for our measurement: Because PLL LO is the frequency reference
 o Calibrated by frequency counter SR620 is locked to the GPS signal.

o The frequency of the IFR2023A was scanned:

from 1MHz to 20MHz with 1MHz interval.

o The linear fit was taken. Result:

$$f_{freq_count}$$
 [Hz] = K0 + K1 * f_{IFR} [Hz]

K0 = 0.00 +/- 0.02 K1 = 0.999999470 +/- 0.000000001

o All of the frequencies for the measured points were converted by this formula.

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GPIB commands for the PLL freq scanning

o HP = RF Spectrum Analyzer, IFR = IFR2023 function generator

o Initialization

Write to HP: "AUNITS V" Write to HP: "CF 3456789HZ" Wait 1sec Write to HP: "SP 1MHz" Wait 1sec #Represent peak value in Vrms #Set the center freq

#Set freq span to 1MHz

o In the scanning loop

Write to HP: "CF 3456789HZ" Write to IFR: "CFRQ 3456789HZ" Write to HP: "MKPK HI" Wait 1sec Write to HP: "MKA?" Read value from HP #Set the center freq #Set the carrier freq #Find highest peak in the spectrum

#Query for the peak amplitude #Get the peak value

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Questions

- o The TEM01 and TEM10 of the Yarm were found to split with 19kHz separation. Is this true?
- o In which direction the eigenmodes are?

• Thoughts

- o The separation of 19kHz is a kind of too big because the cavity bandwidth is several kHz.
- o This means that "TEM01 and TEM10 can not resonate at the same time (by the PSL beam)".

• Test

- o Imagine we are just using the PSL beam and playing with an arm cavity.
- o Tilt the end mirror in pitch. Resonate the TEM01 mode (8-shaped).
- o Then tilt the end mirror in yaw.
- o a) If the resonances are degenerated within the bandwidth of the laser, it rotates freely.
- o b) If the resonances splits, the tilt in yaw does not change the shape. Then suddenly jumps to TEM10 (by an accident).

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