TAMA300 interferometer

• Laser interferometer GW detector

- Arm length: 300m
- Location: National Astronomical Observatory of Japan (Mitaka, Tokyo)

• Purposes

- Development of the detector capable to catch GW events in nearby galaxies
- Establishment of interferometer technologies for LCGT



Progress of TAMA300

1995-1997 Facility/Vacuum system construction

Recombined Interferometer

1999-2001 6 times of observation runs (Total 1370 hours)

Recycled Interferometer

2001Implement of power recycling2003-20043 times of observation runs
(Total 1740 hours)

Seismic Attenuation System (SAS)2005Start installation of SAS2007Full interferometer lock with SAS2008Sensitivity improvement



Current focus

• Establishment of detector operation with SAS

Replacement of the vibration isolation system



- pneumatic active isolator + stack
- + double pendulum

inverted pendulum + vertical filter + multiple pendulum



- To realize the improvement
- Optimization of SAS control
- Optimization of interferometer control
- Application of digital control system
 - =>Enables the complex servo system
 - =>High level automatization of the operation

Seismic Attenuation System

Structure of SAS

Multiple pendulum suspended from IP



Seismic Attenuation System

• Vibration Isolation

Passive isolation with soft springs + active damping



Seismic Attenuation System Active Control of SAS

Local control stabilize the mirror motion => to enable lock of the interferometer



Performance of SAS

• Low frequency Legth Fluctuation of 300-m arm

Comparison with the previous suspension system => improvement above 0.1Hz was confirmed



Performance of SAS Test mass angular motion (Free run)



Digital Control System



Sensitivity

Sensitivity improvement achieved

So far, improvement below 150Hz was confirmed



Noise budget

• Estimated contributions of the various noise sources

