

Stabilized Laser for TAMA300

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OUTLINE

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Power, Beam Quality, Laser Stability

2. 10-m Ring-type Mode Cleaner with 10-W Injection-Locked Laser

Relative Frequency Noise, Excess Noise

3. Frequency Stabilization

Multistage Stabilization, δL_{\pm} Error Signal

4. Intensity Stabilization

Intensity Noise after Mode Cleaner

5. Summary

Requirement of Light Source for TAMA300

Goal

Strain Sensitivity

$$\tilde{h}=2 \times 10^{-22} [1/\text{Hz}^{1/2}] \quad (\text{Phase2})$$

with Power Recycling

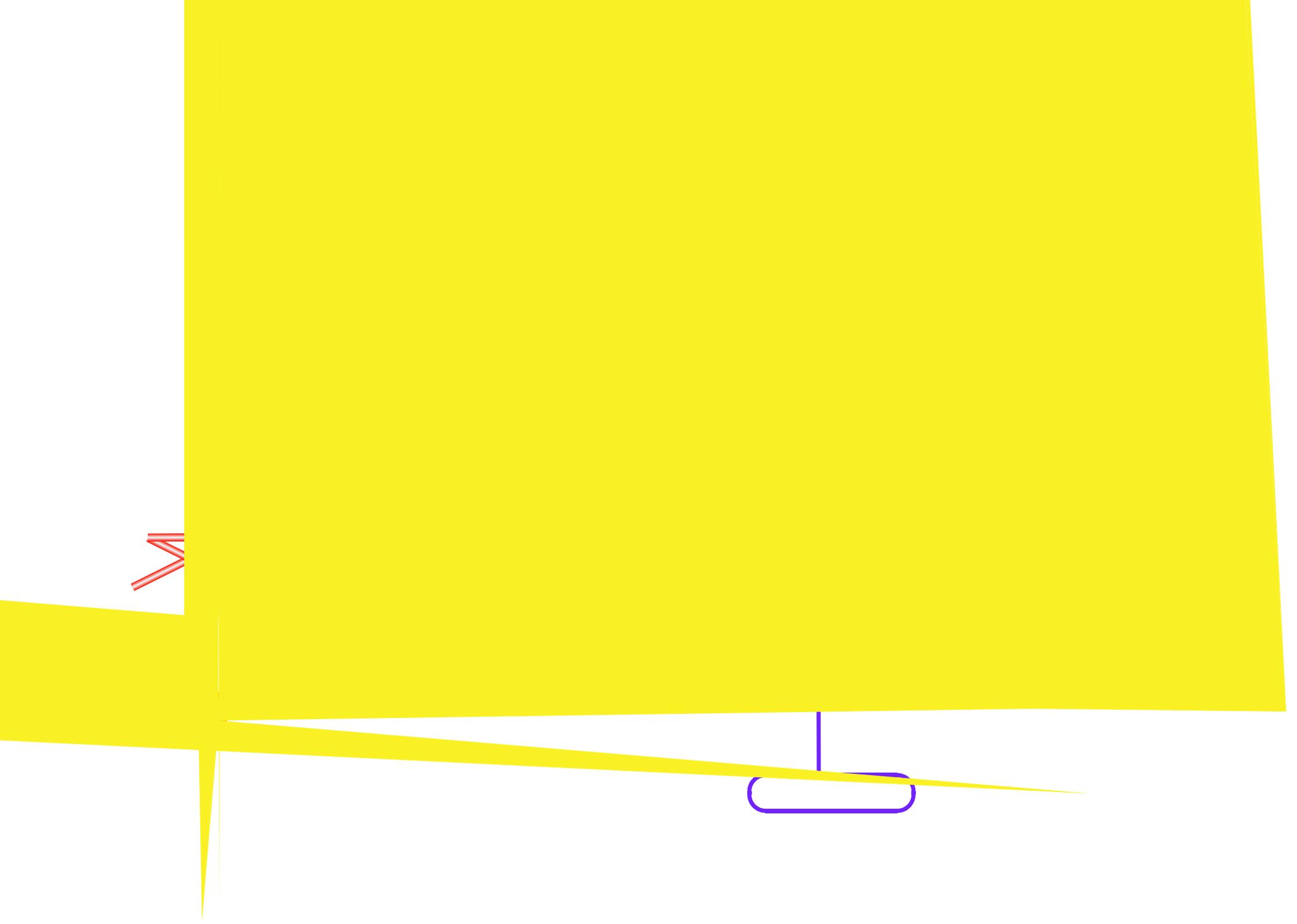
$$\tilde{h}=2 \times 10^{-21} [1/\text{Hz}^{1/2}] \quad (\text{Phase1})$$

without Power Recycling

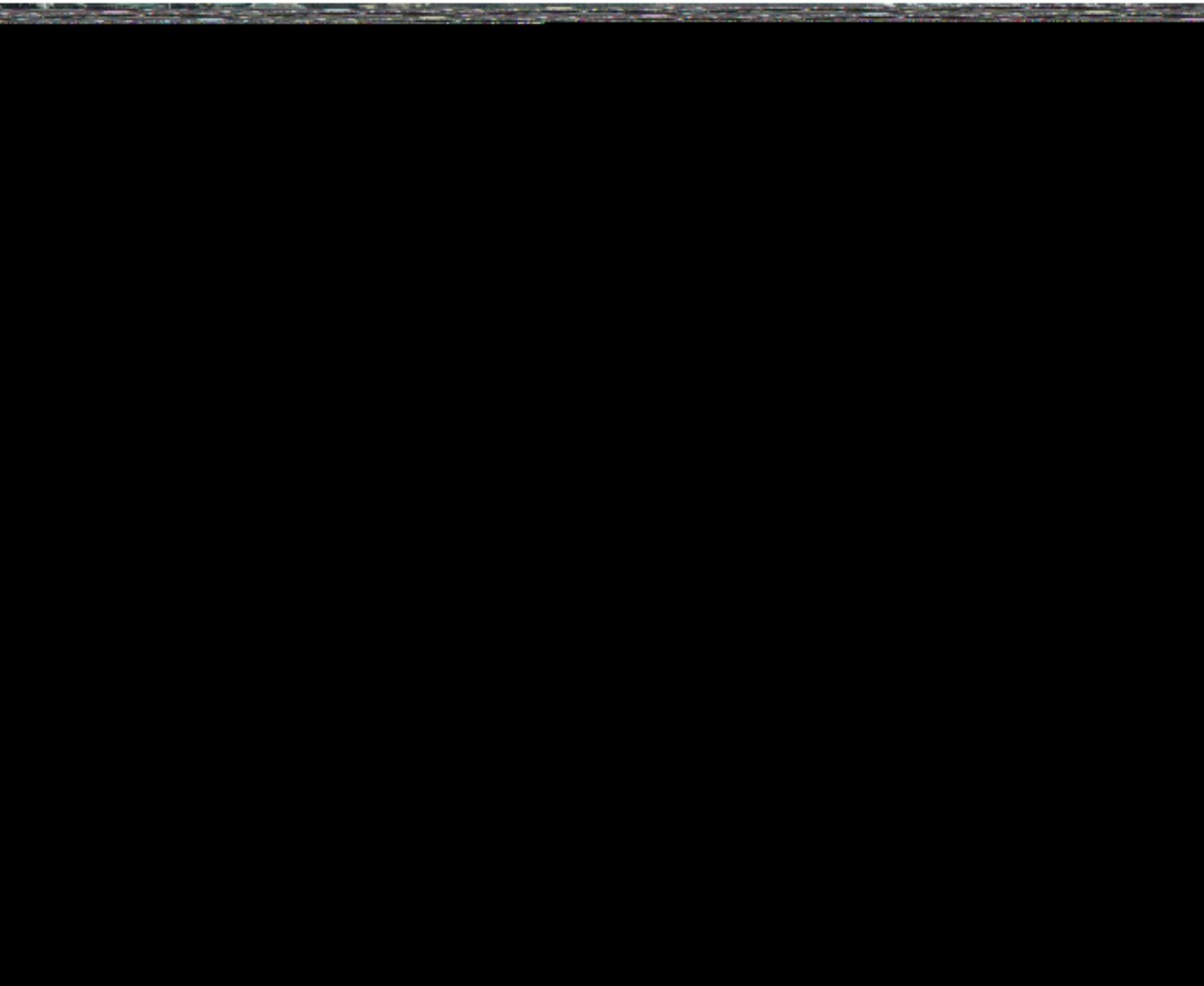
Laser Power	10W	
Beam Quality	Single Frequency, TEM ₀₀ , Linear Polarization	
Laser Stabilities	Phase1	Phase2
Frequency Noise $\delta\nu$ [Hz/sqrtHz]	5×10^{-6} (CMRR 40dB)	5×10^{-7}
Intensity Noise $\delta I/I$ [1/sqrtHz]	1×10^{-8}	$1 \times 10^{-9} (?)$
	(dL _{rms} = 5×10^{-11} m)	

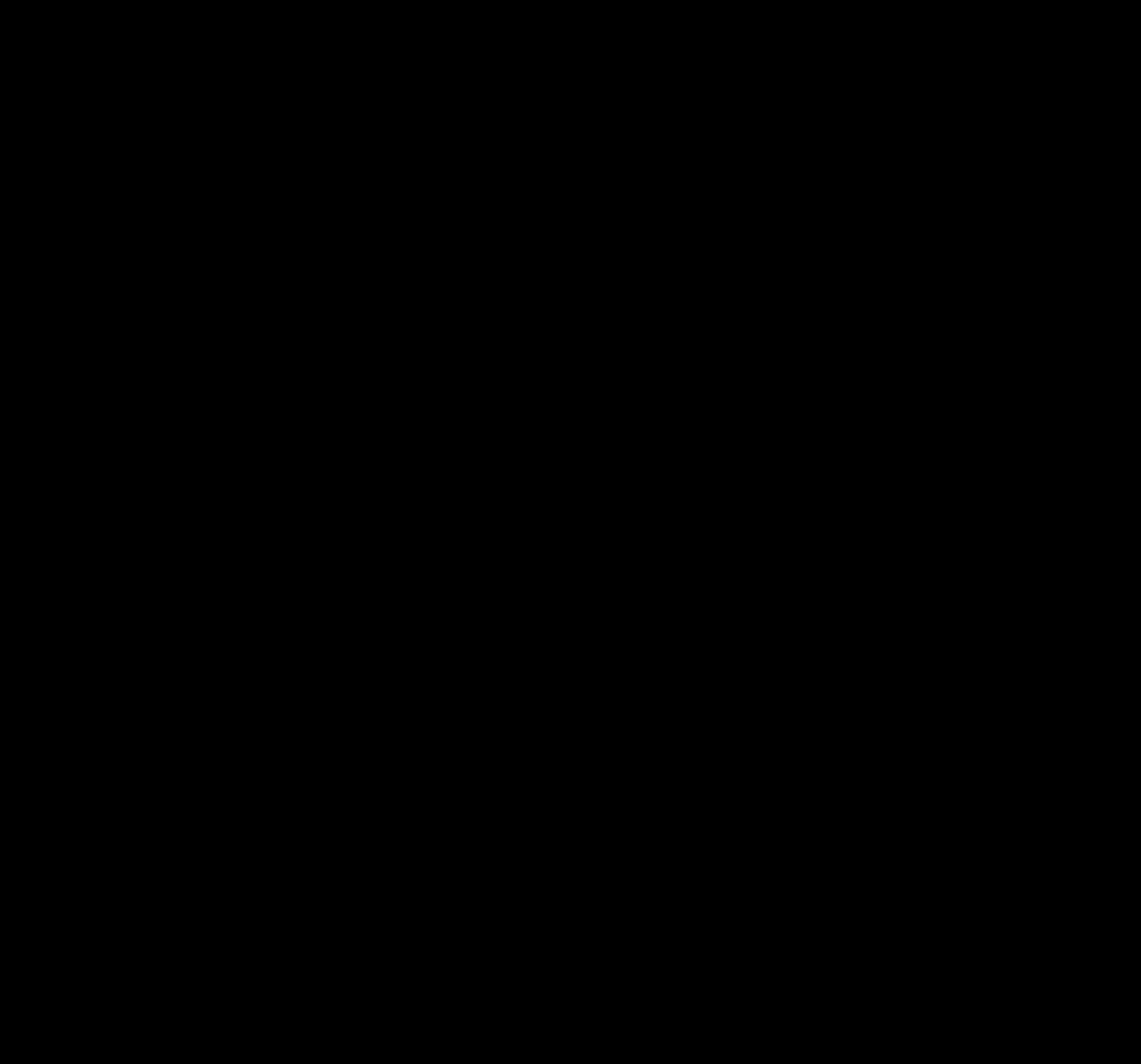
Solution

10-W Injection-Locked Nd:YAG Laser
and
10-m Ring-type Mode Cleaner



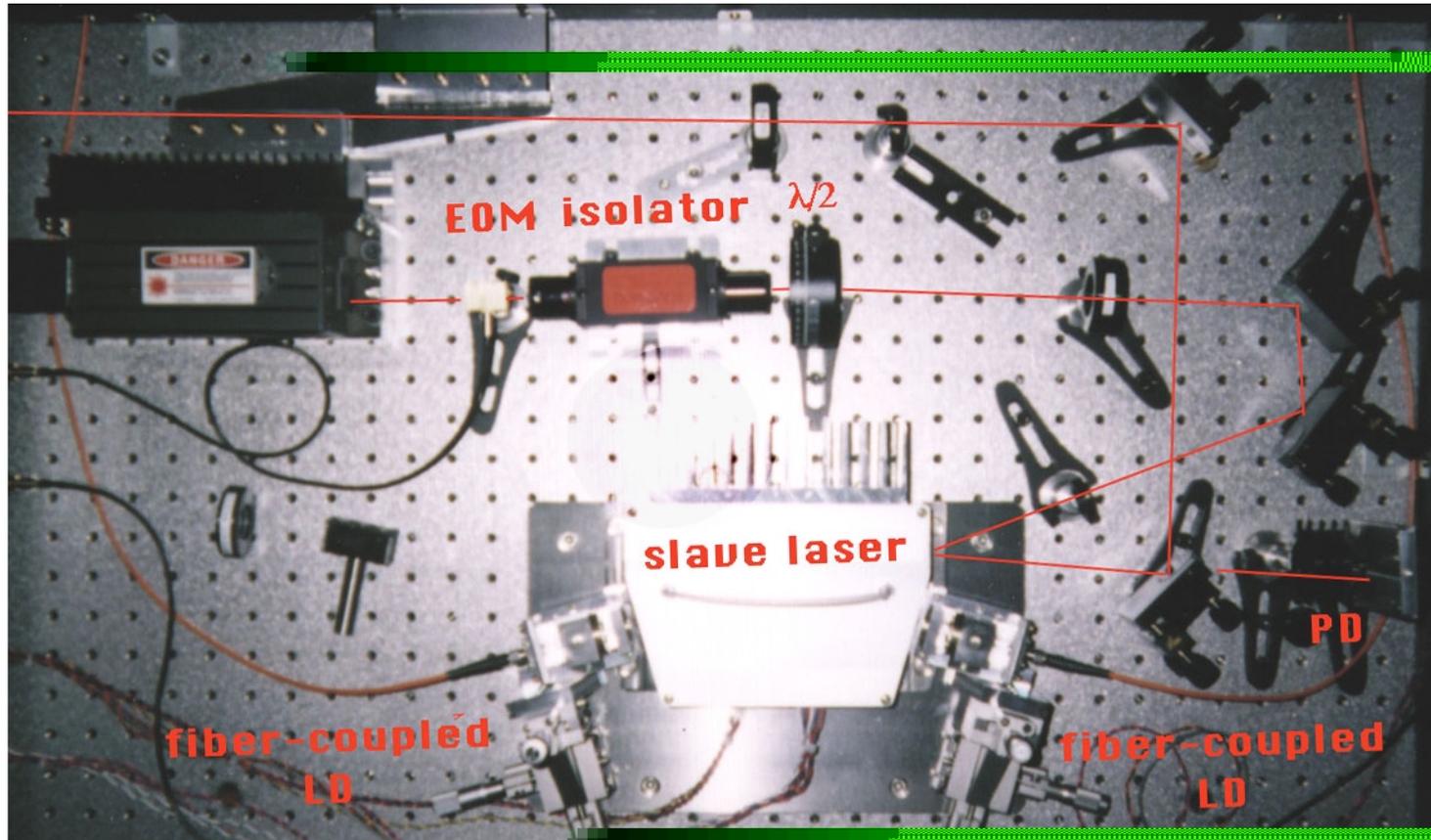
Bird's-eye view of TAMA300





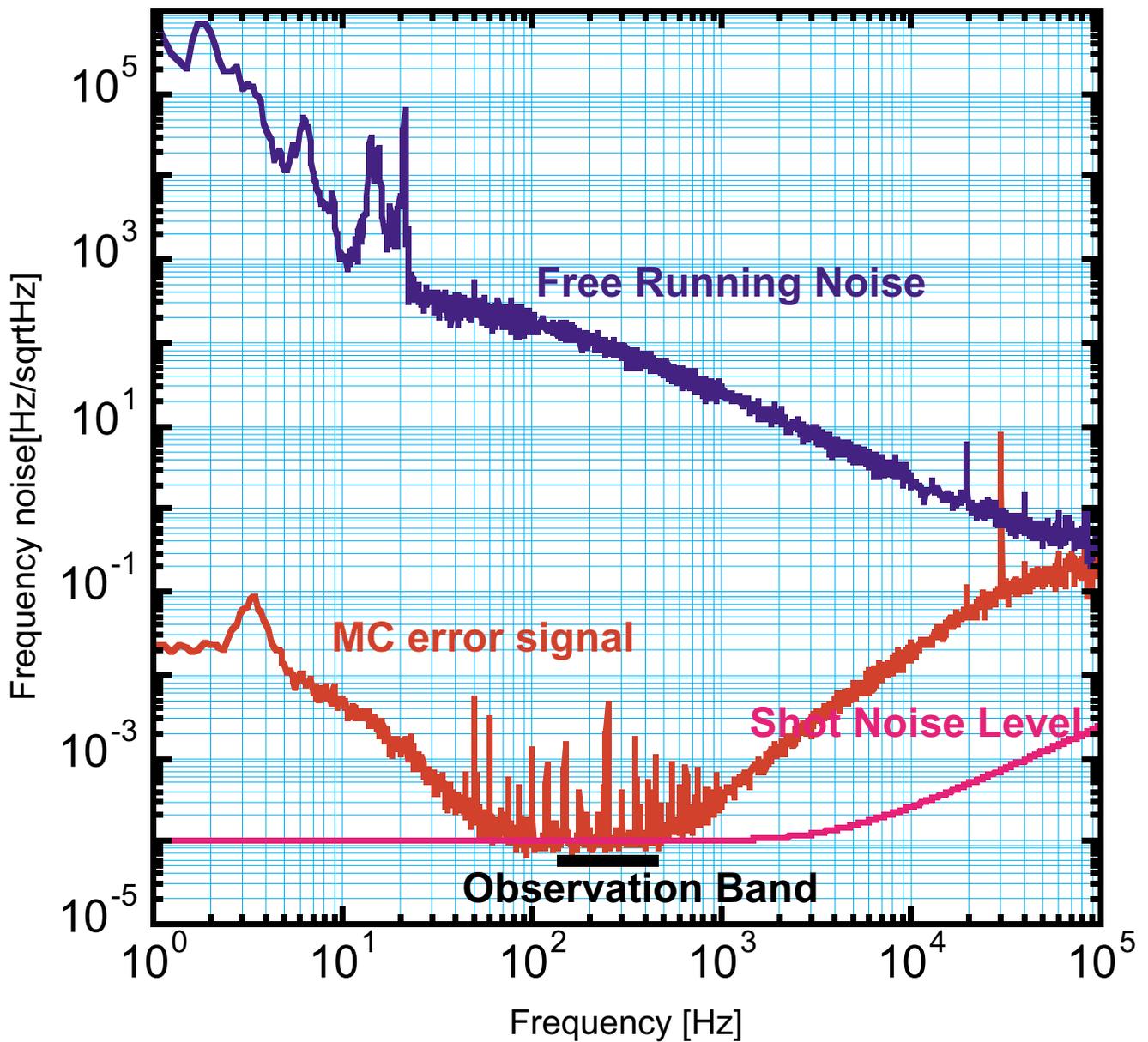
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10-W Injection-Locked LD-Pumped Nd:YAG Laser





MC Error Signal

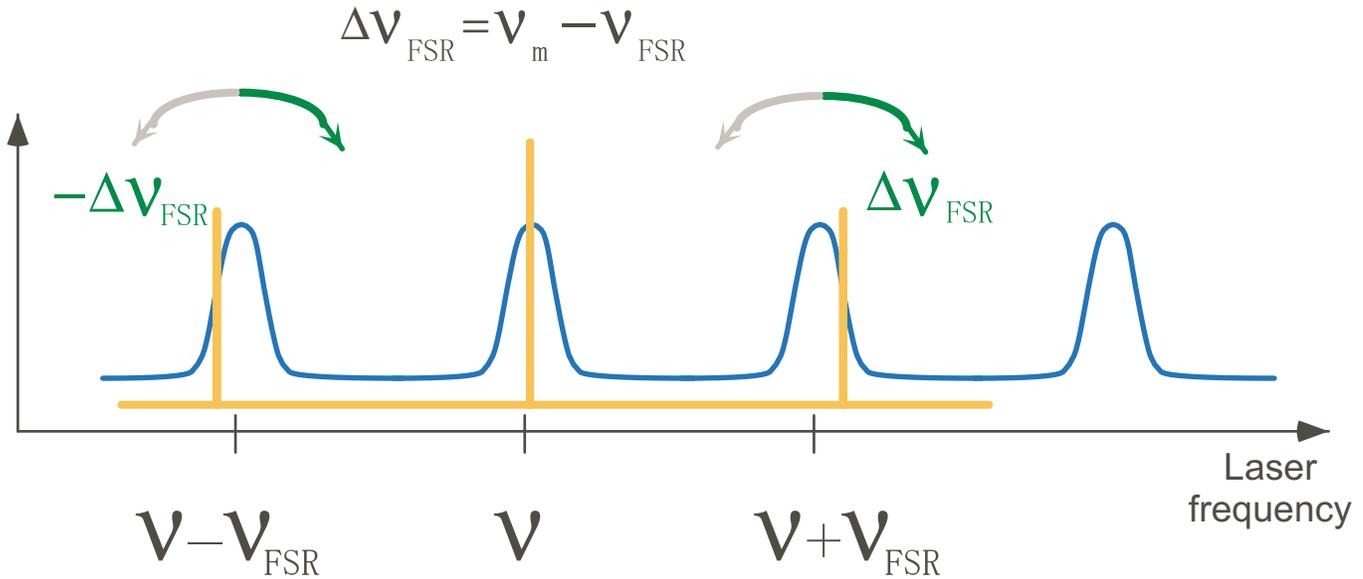


☺ Stabilized frequency noise level is 1×10^{-4} [Hz/sqrtHz].

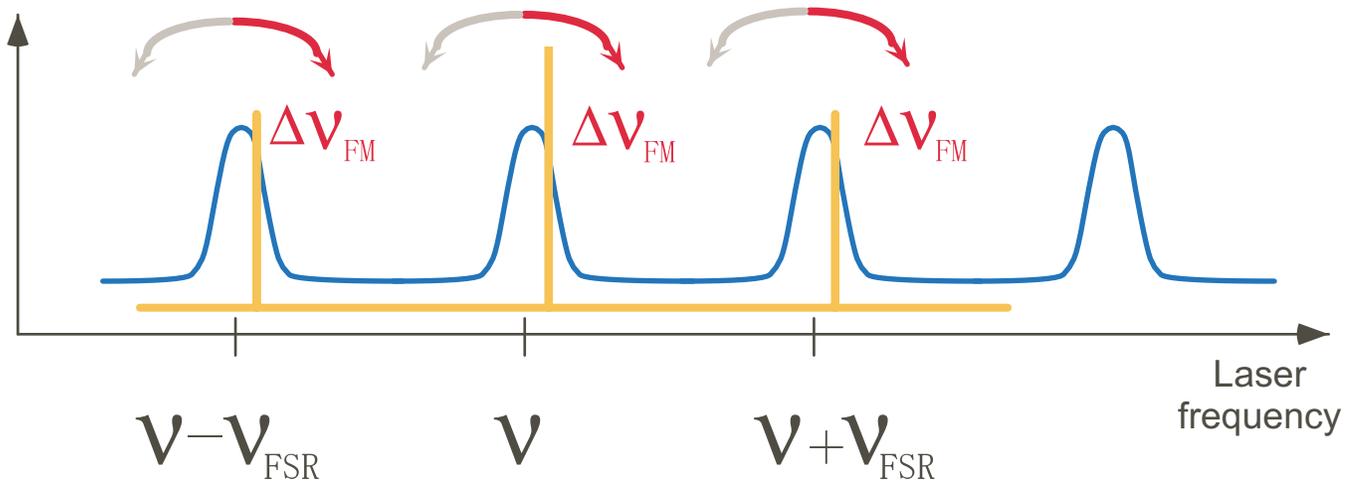
☺ Shot noise level is calculated to be 1×10^{-4} [Hz/sqrtHz].

Mechanism of Excess Noise (FM-AM Conversion Noise)

Difference between the FSR and modulation frequency.



FM noise of laser and resonant point of cavity

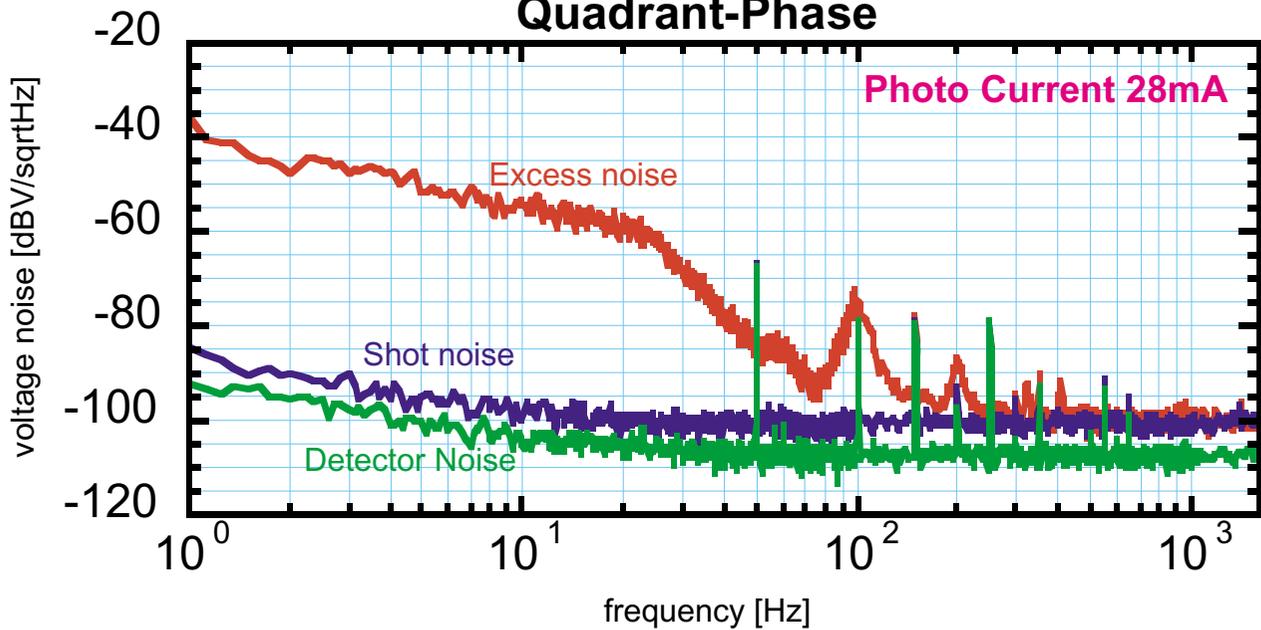


Quadra-phase $-4m F^2 \frac{\Delta\nu_{\text{FM}}}{\nu_{\text{FSR}}} \frac{\Delta\nu_{\text{FSR}}}{\nu_{\text{FSR}}}$

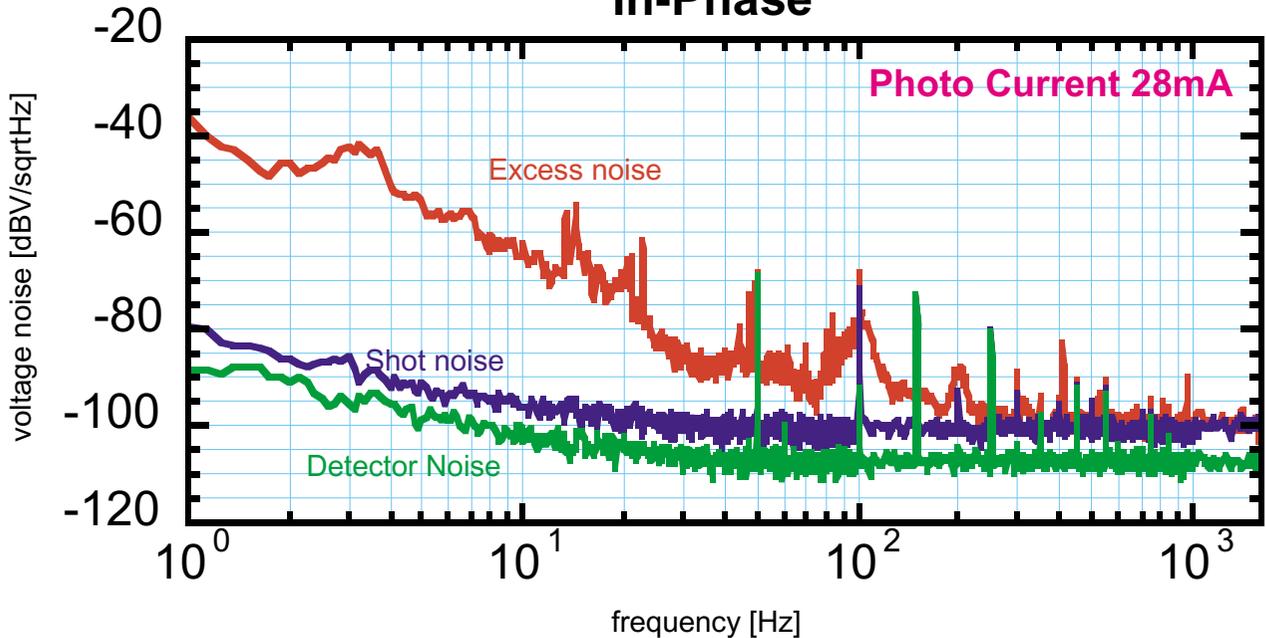
$$F = \frac{c}{2L}$$

Excess Noise Spectrum of 10-W Laser

Quadrant-Phase



In-Phase



☺ Photo Current 28mA

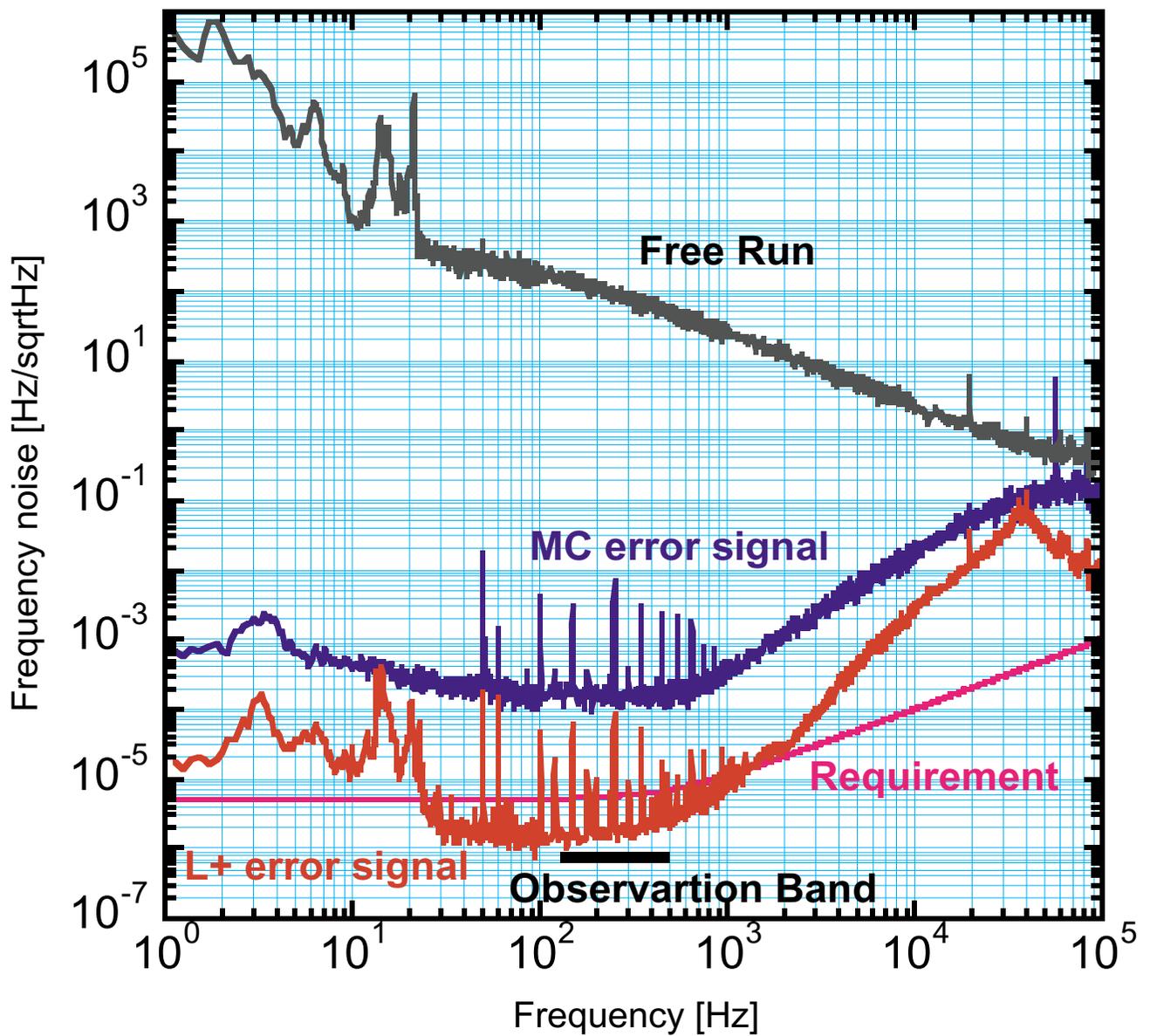
(Requirement 30mA; We assume $P=3W$, $C=98\%$.)

☺ Unity gain frequency of sideband transmissin servo is about 7Hz.

☺ Excess noise is less than shot noise above 250Hz.

☹ Low frequency Noise consists of beam pointing noise and unknown noise.

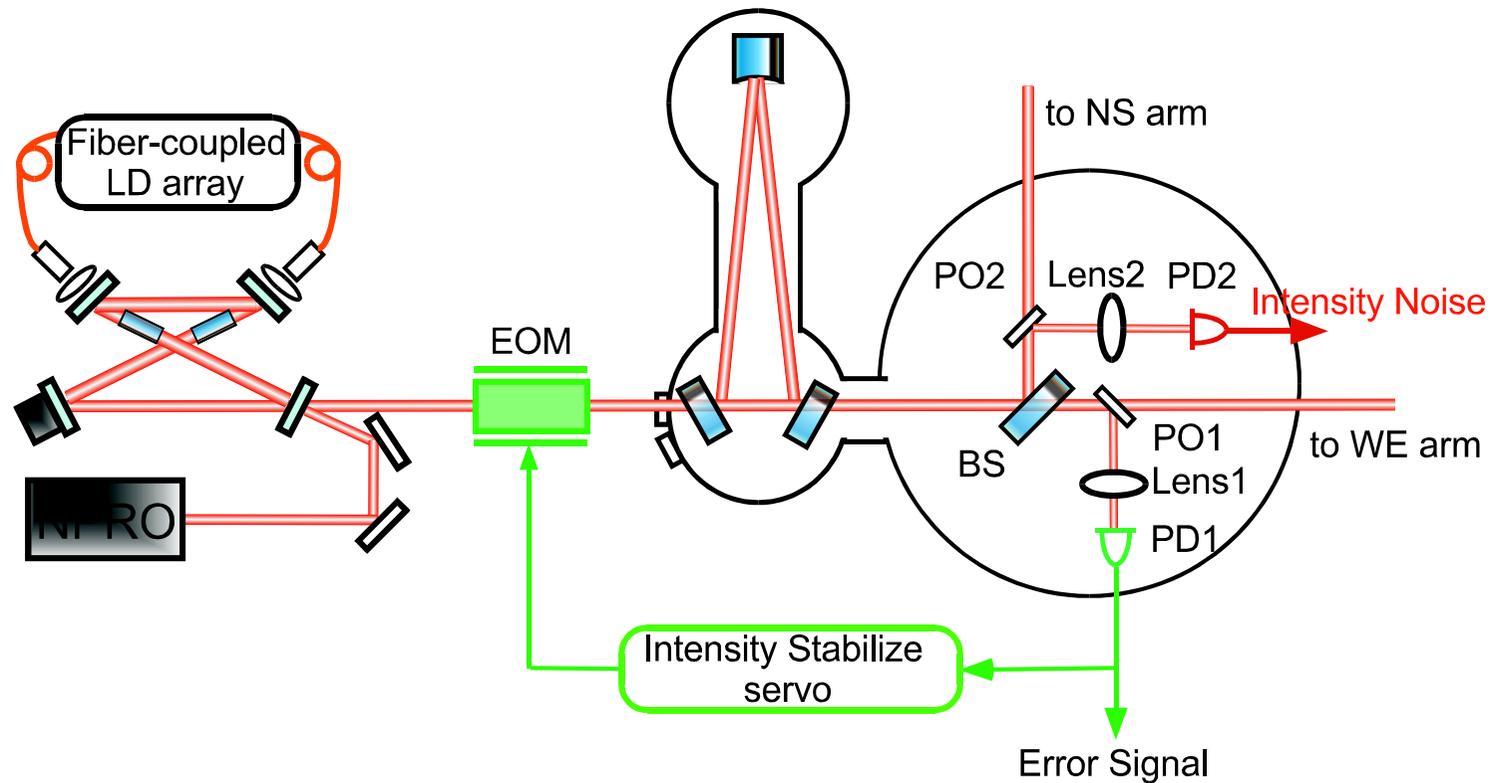
dL₊ Error Signal

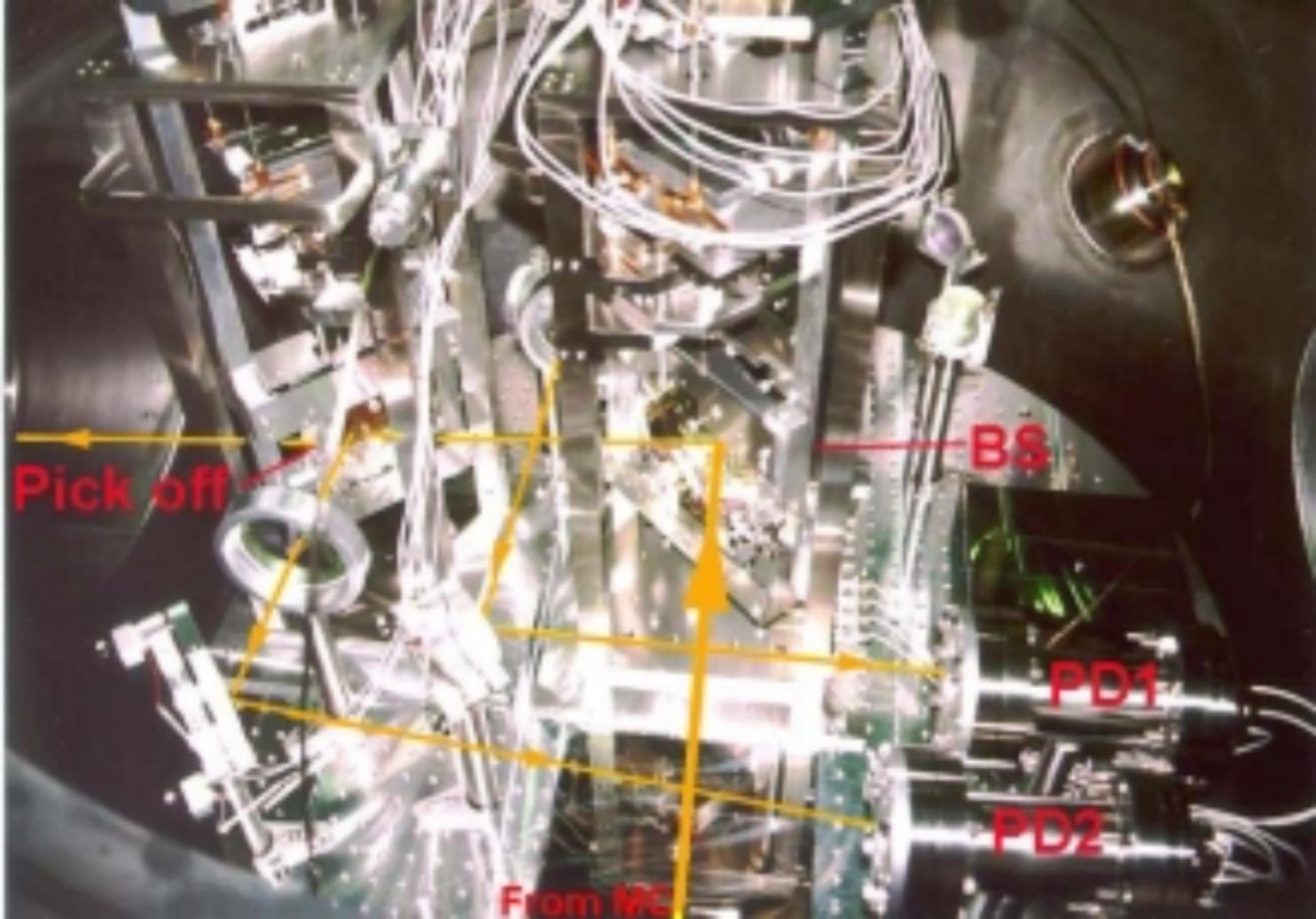


☺ L₊ error signal is $1.3 \times 10^{-6} [\text{Hz}/\text{Hz}^{1/2}]$.

☺ Requirement of $5 \times 10^{-6} [\text{Hz}/\text{Hz}^{1/2}]$ is satisfied.

Experimental Setup for Intensity Stabilization





Pick off

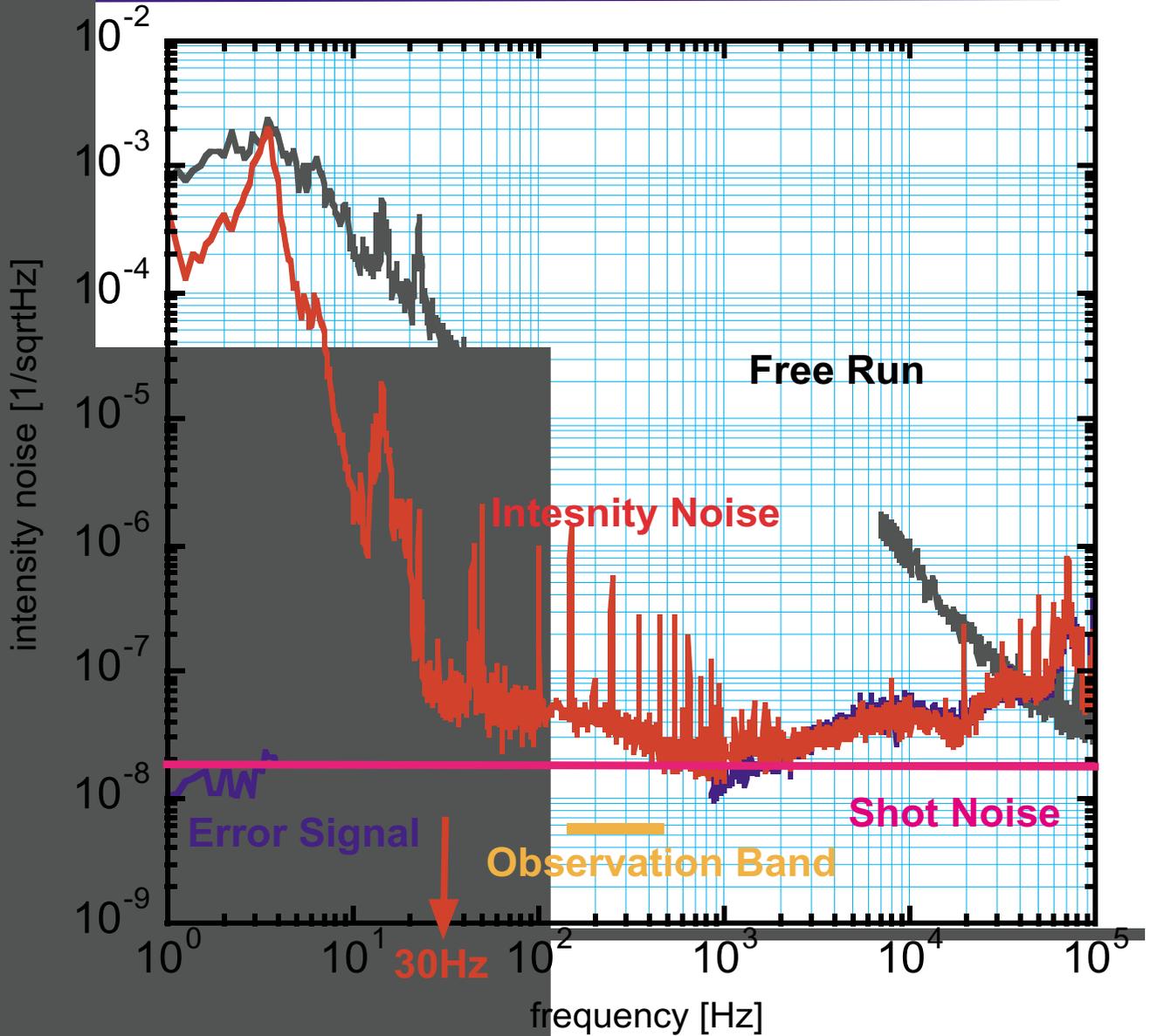
BS

PD1

PD2

From MC

Intensity Noise Spectrum after Mode Cleaner



used in BS vacuum chamber.

10^{-8} [1/sqrtHz].

intensity stabilization servo

ity noise equal to error signal.

light noise

uctuation noise is limiting.

SUMMARY

1. Excess (FM-AM conversion) noise is suppressed less than shot noise of photocurrent 28mA.

(Requirement: photocurrent 30mA)

2. Requirement of Laser Frequency Noise is Satisfied.

☺ Stabilized frequency noise level is $1 \times 10^{-6} [\text{Hz}/\text{Hz}^{1/2}]$.

(Requirement is $5 \times 10^{-6} [\text{Hz}/\text{Hz}^{1/2}]$.)

☺ Continuous locking time is more than 7 hours.

3. We tried to detect the sample light for intensity stabilization in vacuum.

☹ Stabilized intensity noise level is $3 \times 10^{-8} [1/\text{Hz}^{1/2}]$.

(Requirement is $1 \times 10^{-8} [1/\text{Hz}^{1/2}]$.)