

# Breaking the quantum barrier

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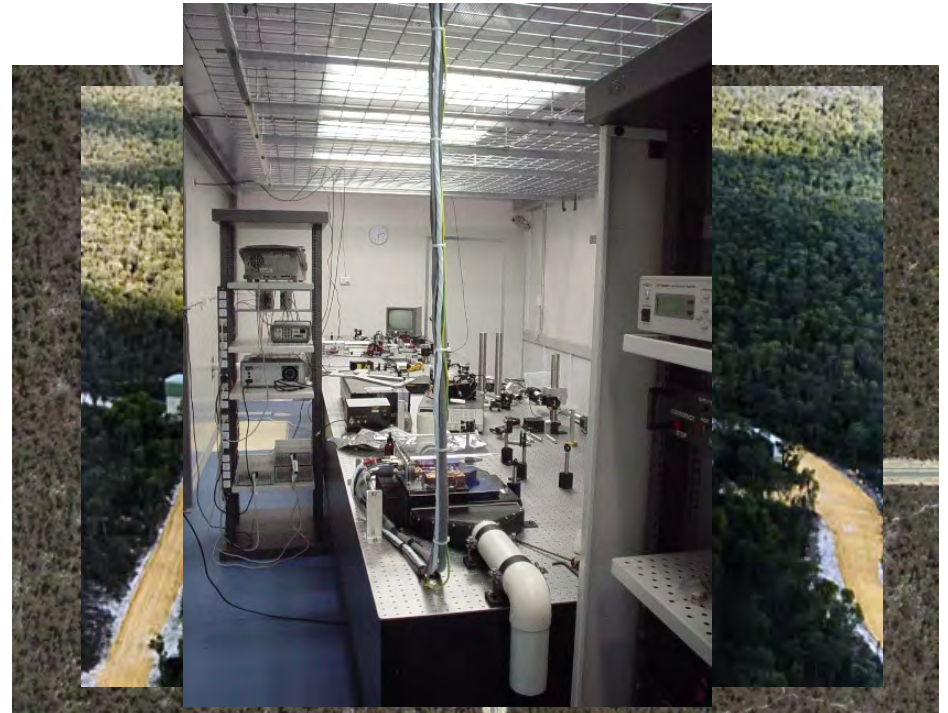
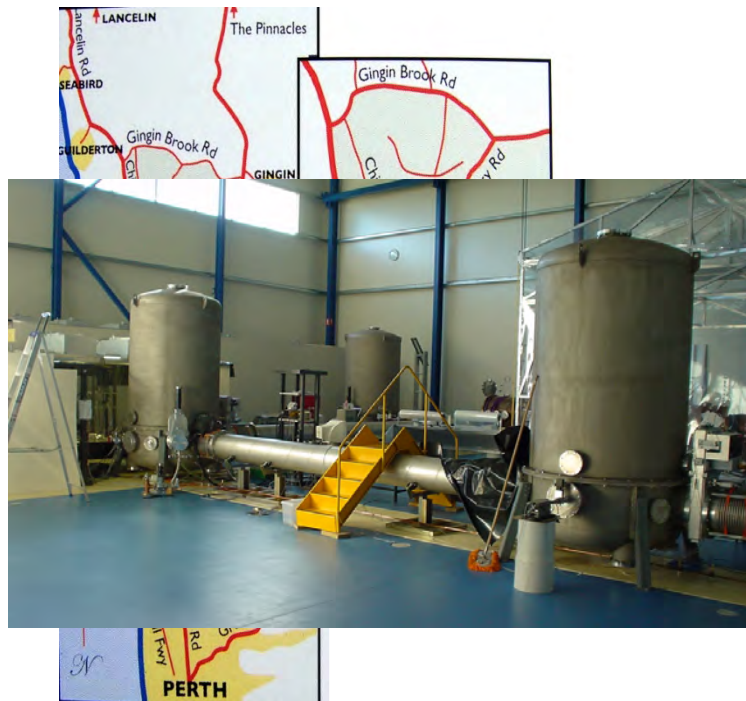
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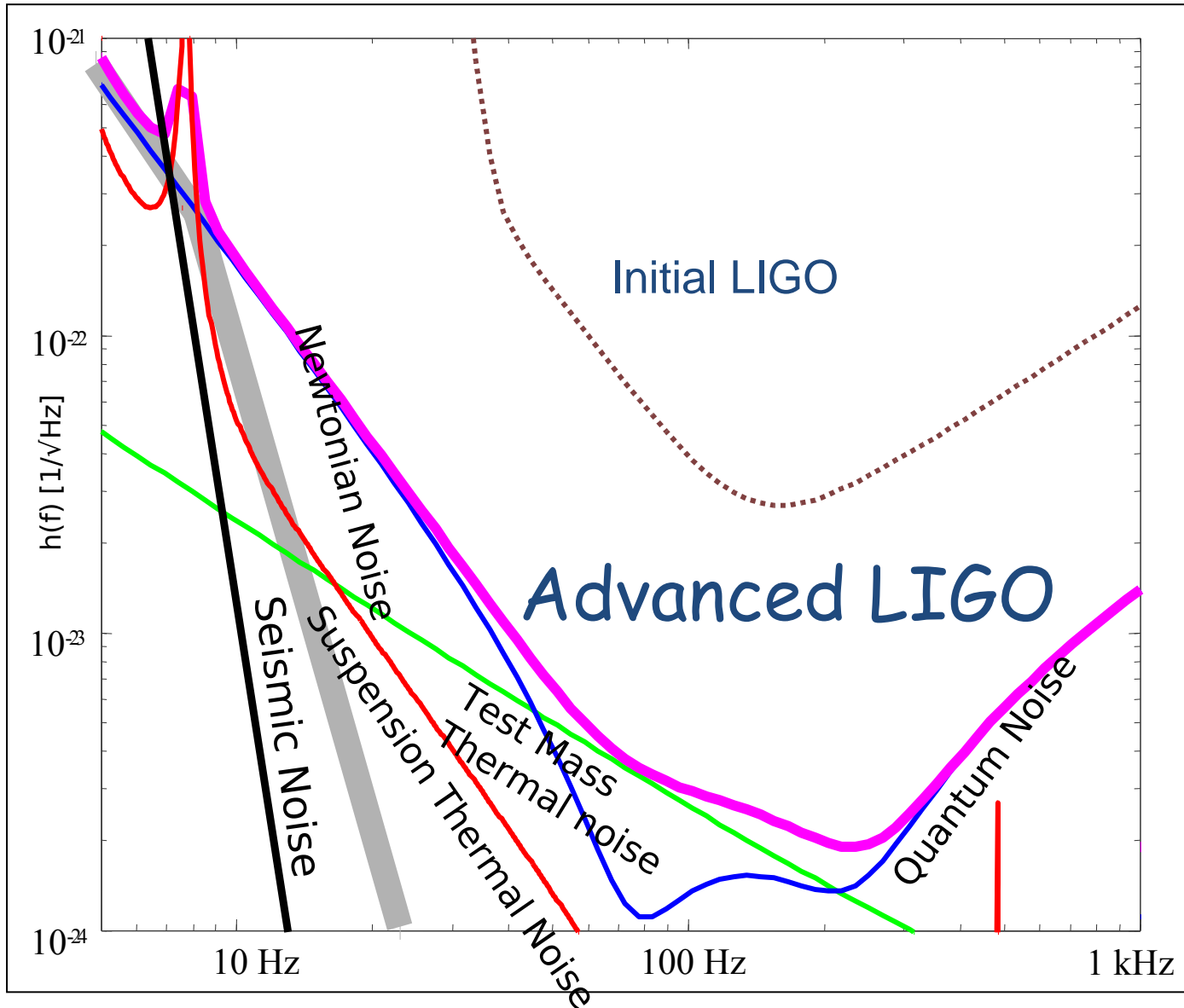
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- Optical spring modified test mass dynamics
- Experiments on Gingin facility

# Gingin high optical power test facility

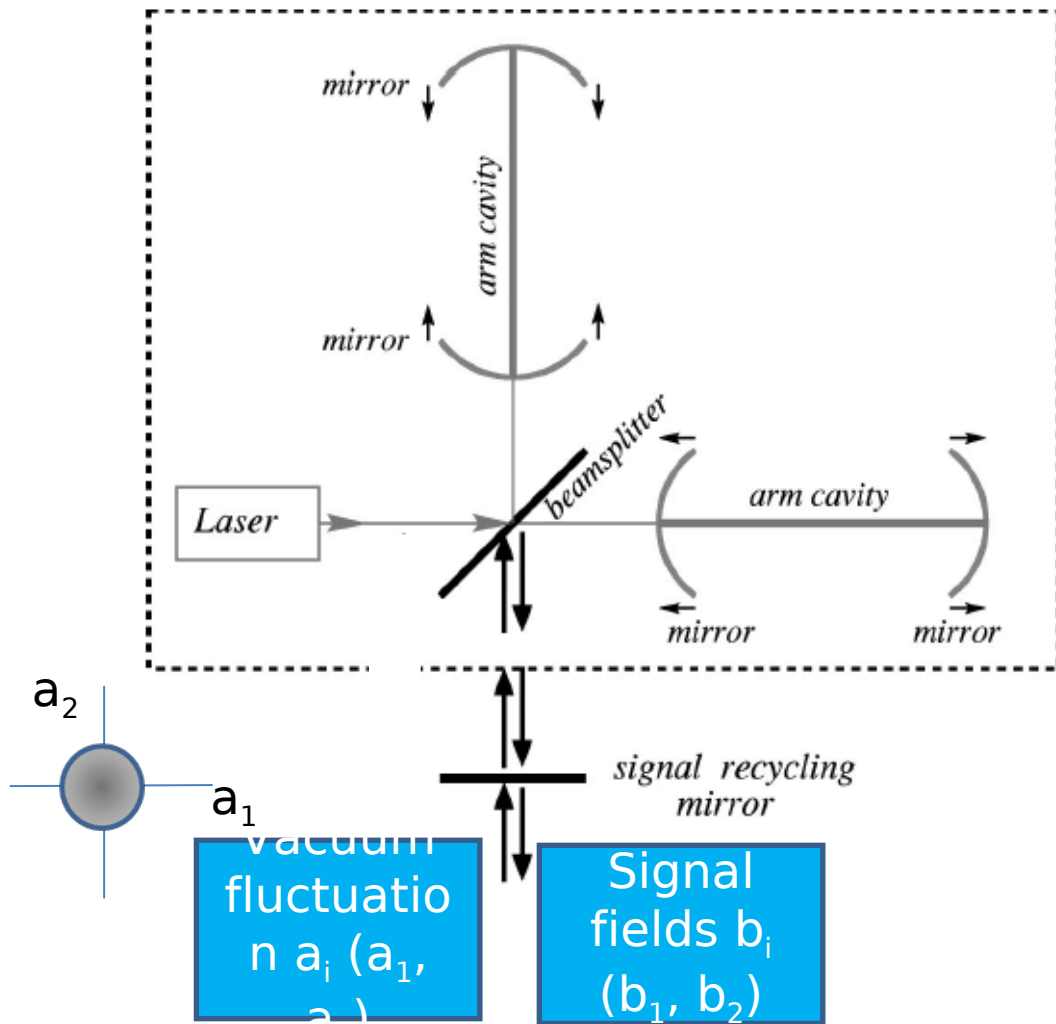
The facility was built by UWA ANU and Adelaide in collaboration with LIGO to investigate high optical power effects in advanced interferometers



# Introduction



# Laser interferometer



- GW induced mirror movement creates output signal  $b_i$

- Vacuum fluctuation  $a_i$  injected from the output port couples noise to  $b_i$

# Quantum noise

- The fluctuation of photon arriving time at the photodiode create shot noise
- The photon number fluctuation induced the radiation pressure noise drives the test masse.

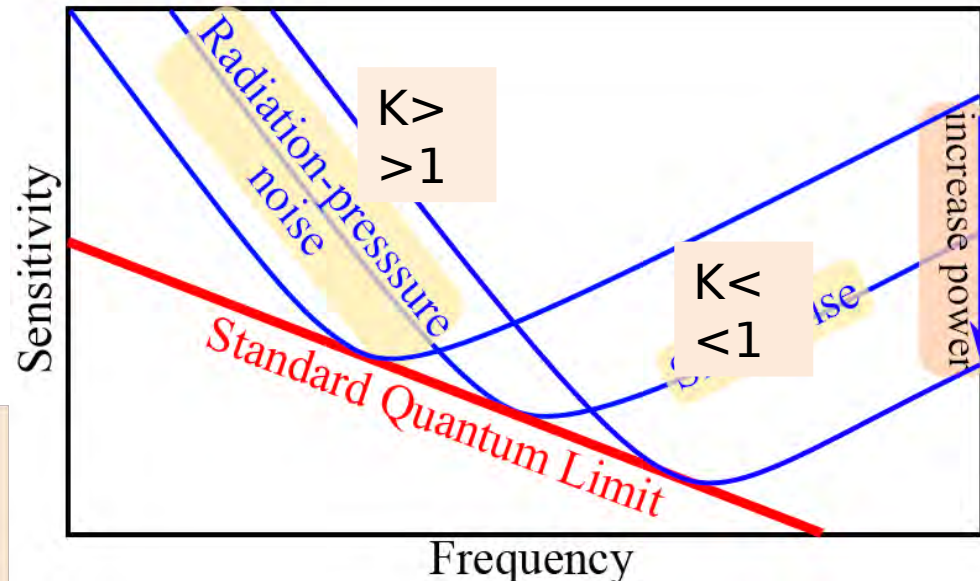
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Shot noise

Radiation pressure noise

GW signal

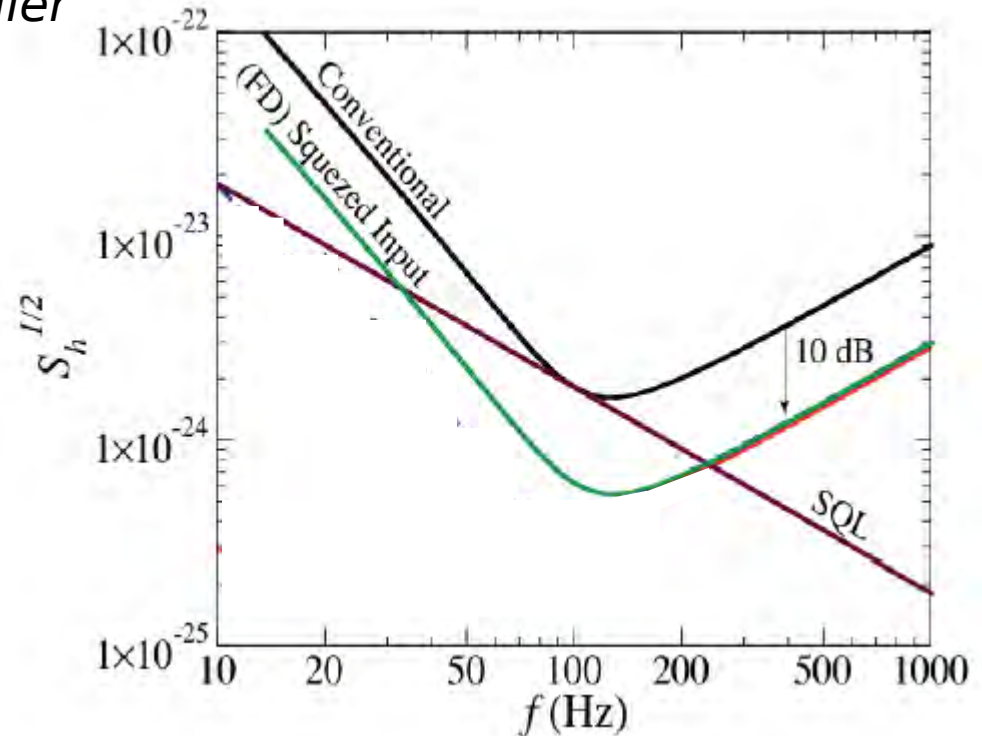
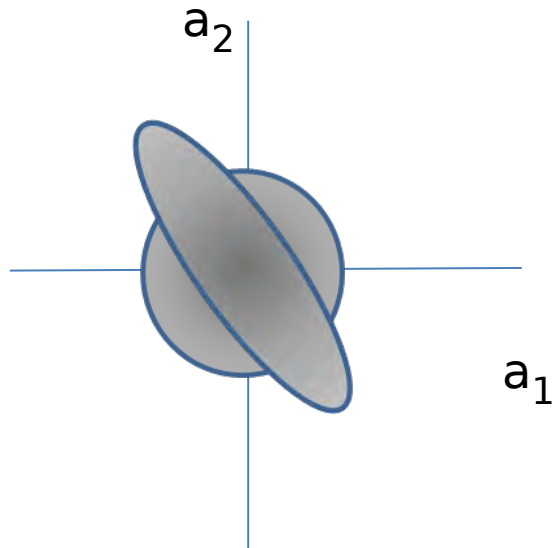


Measurement strength

$$\mathcal{K} = \frac{2\gamma\Theta^3}{\Omega^2(\Omega^2 + \gamma^2)}, \quad \Theta^3 = \frac{8\omega_0 I_0 / T_i}{mLc}$$

# Squeezed vacuum injection

A squeezed-input interferometer conceived by Unruh based on earlier work of Caves in early 80s



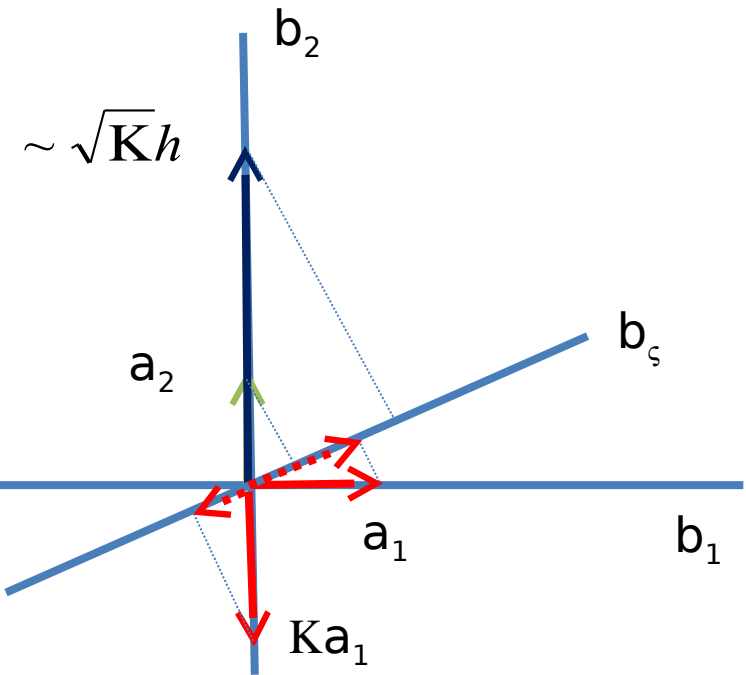
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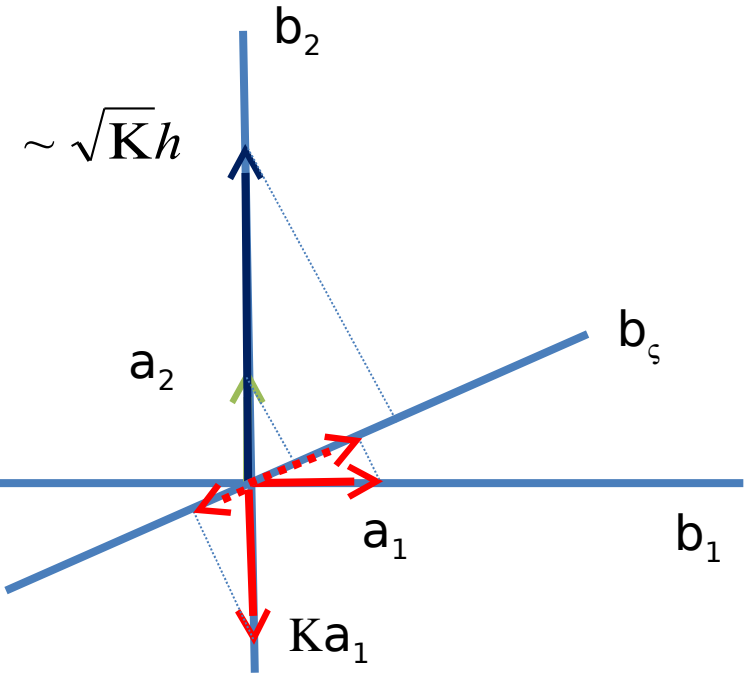
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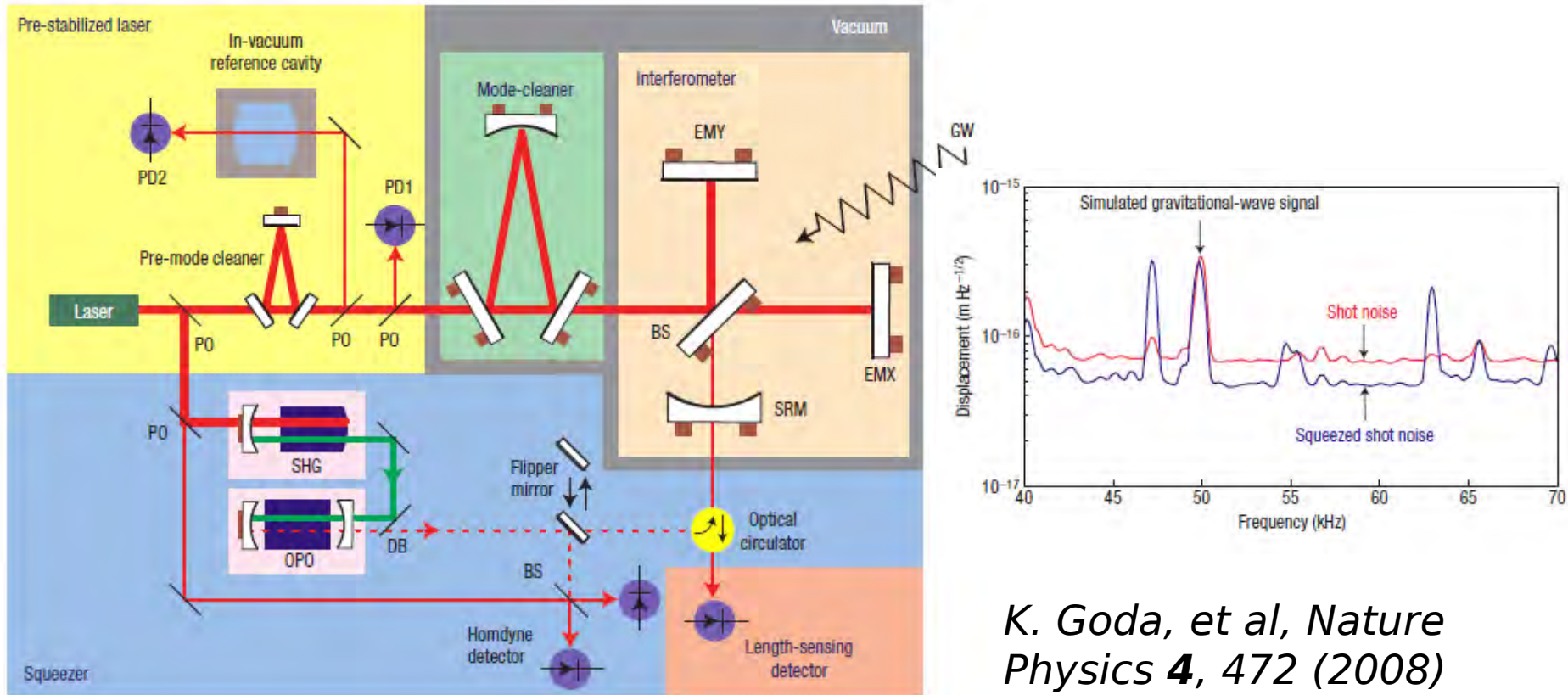
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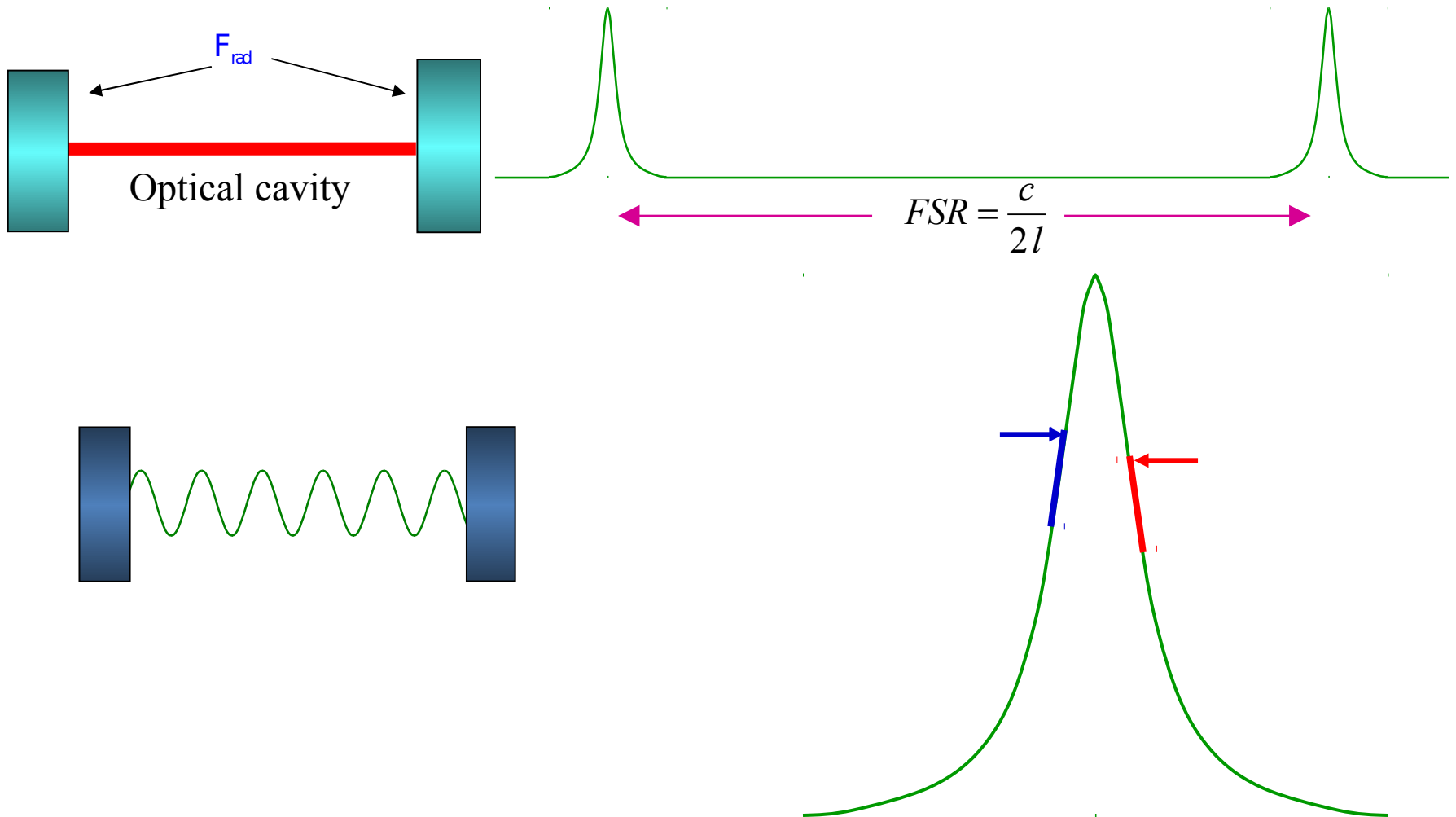
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# Experimental demonstration at LIGO 40 meter



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# Optical Springs a simplified version



# Properties of optical springs

Optical spring is frequency dependent and in a particular narrow frequency range the spring constant can be expressed as:

$$K(\Omega) \approx m_{opt} \Omega^2$$

SQL for force measurement depends on test mass dynamics:

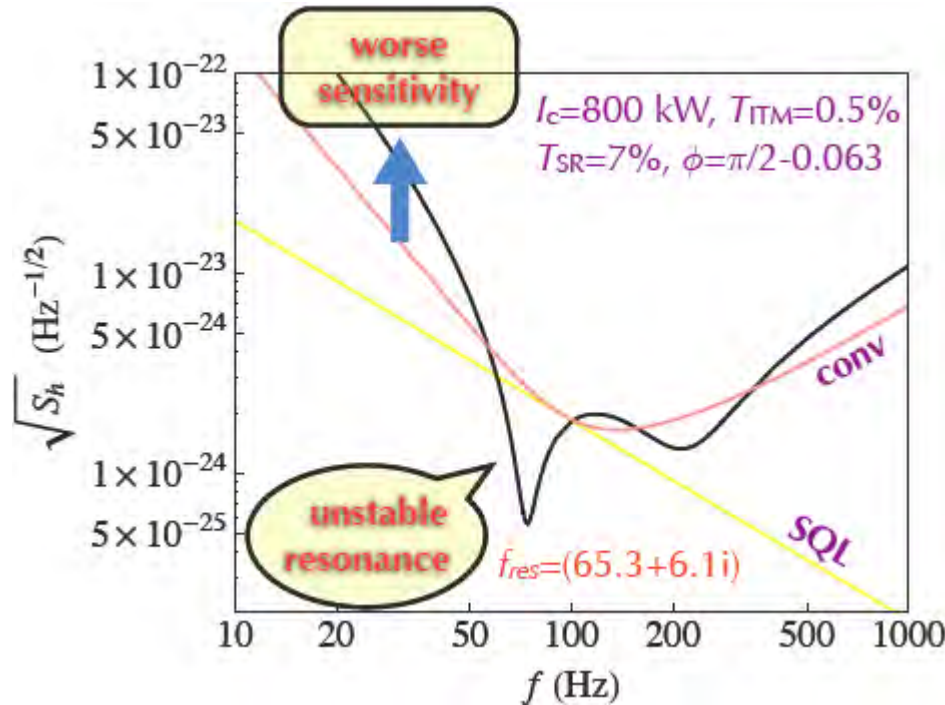
$$S_F^{SQL}(\Omega) = 2\hbar |\chi^{-1}(\Omega)|,$$

$\chi$ : the mechanical force to displacement response

$$\chi(\Omega) = [-m\Omega^2 + K(\Omega)]^{-1}$$

The optical spring modifies the test mass dynamics and therefore the quantum noise limit.

# Optical spring modified test mass dynamics



- The sensitive improved at optical spring resonance, and the cavity resonance.
- Around the optical resonance, the free mass Standard Quantum Limit is surpassed.

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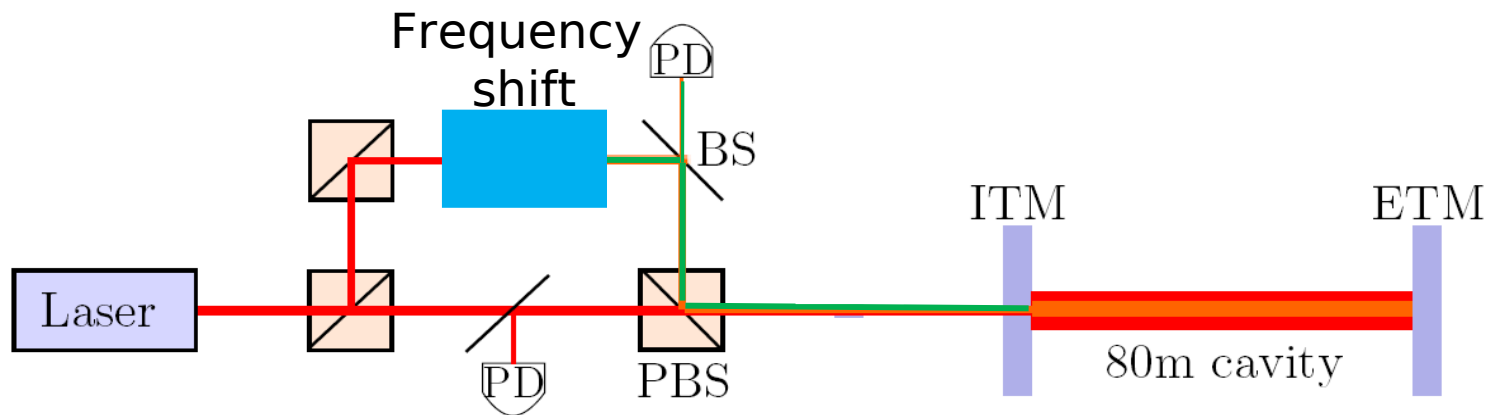
# Can we surpass the free mass SQL in broadband?

For double optical springs,

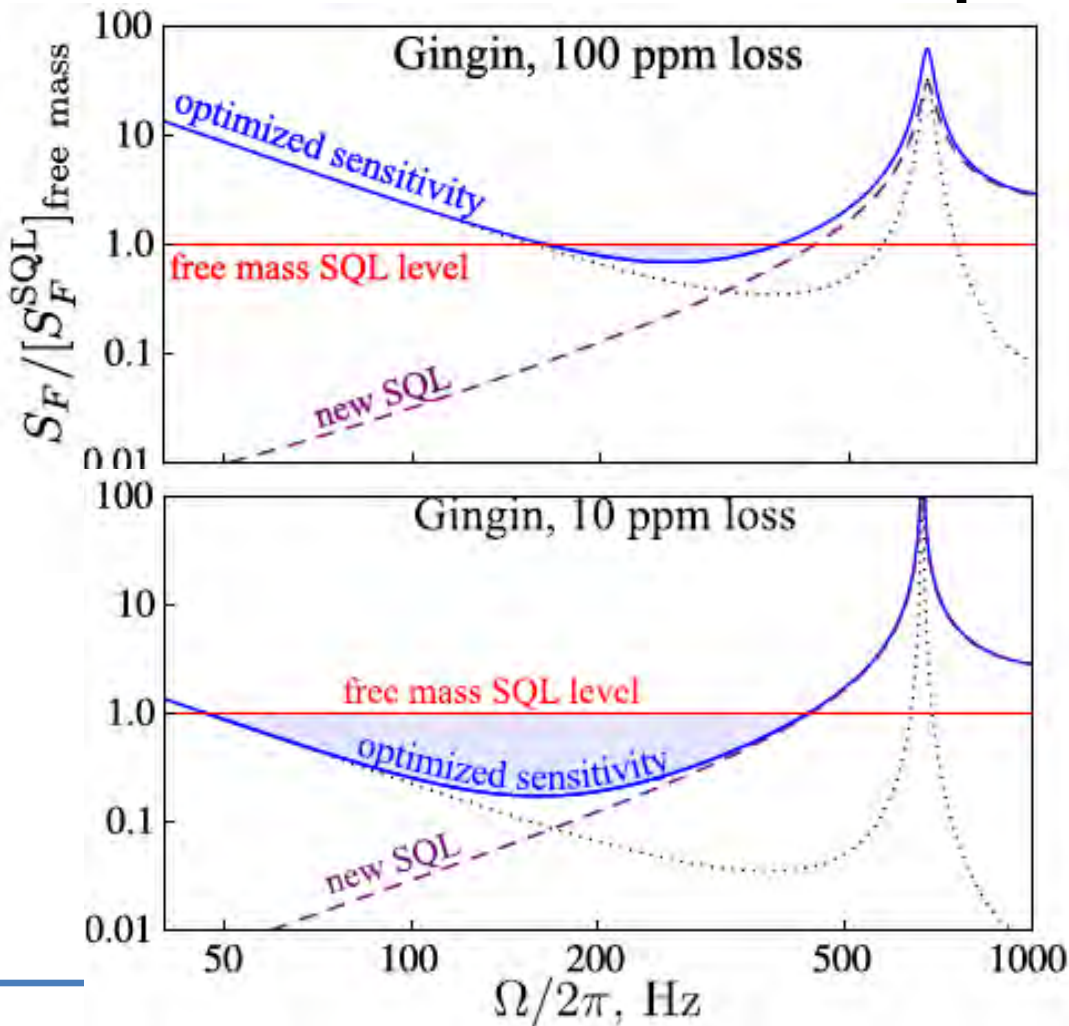
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in a **broad band** frequency range, to surpass the free mass SQL

# Double optical springs



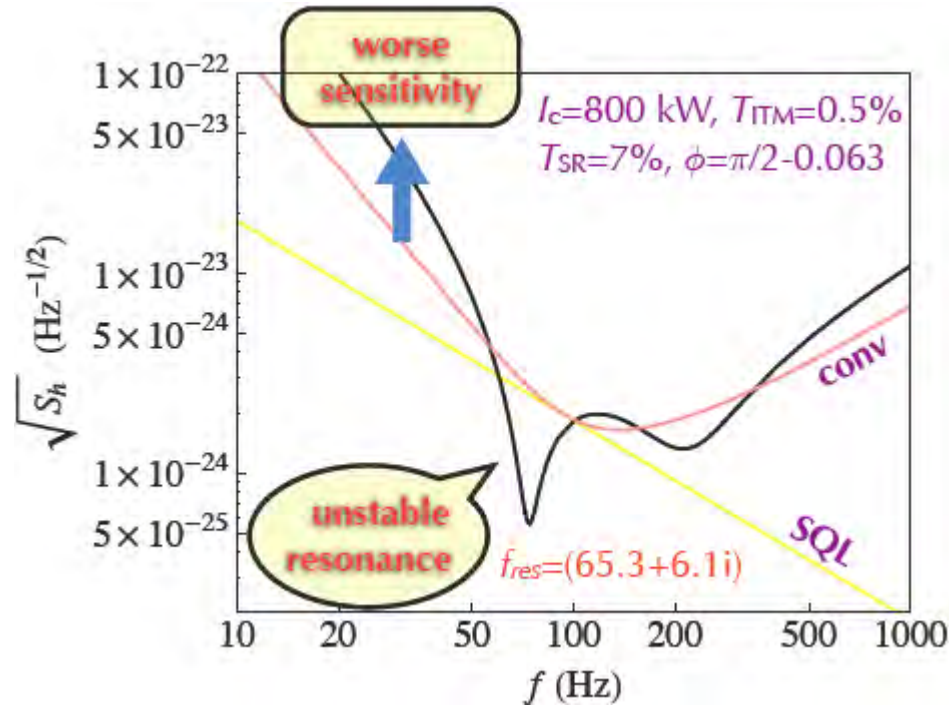
# Predicted sensitivity at Gingin with double optical springs



With 100 kW intracavity power, surpassing free mass SQL is achievable assuming all other noises can be reduced to below SQL.



# Local readout

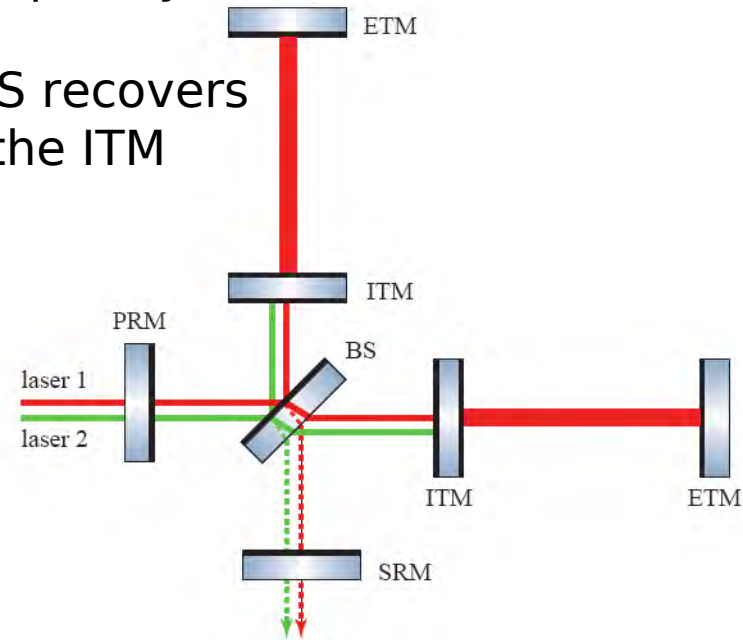
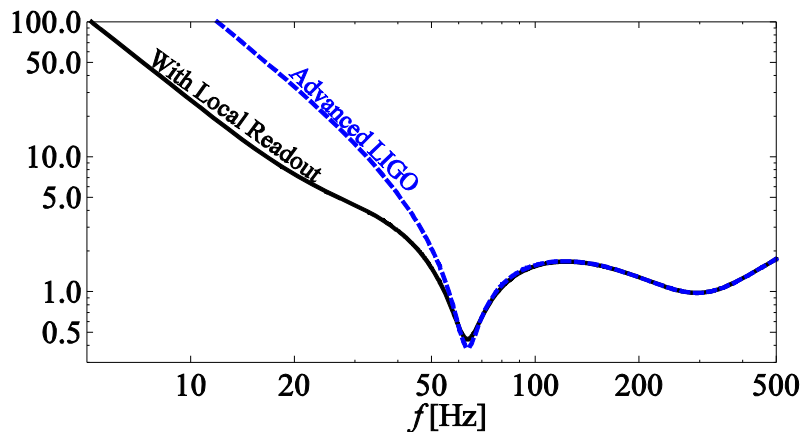


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# Local readout

- Because of the very stiff optical springs, the ITM and ETM move in-phase below the resonance frequency, the low frequency sensitivity become worse.
- The second interferometer (green) around BS recovers the low frequency sensitivity by monitoring the ITM position.

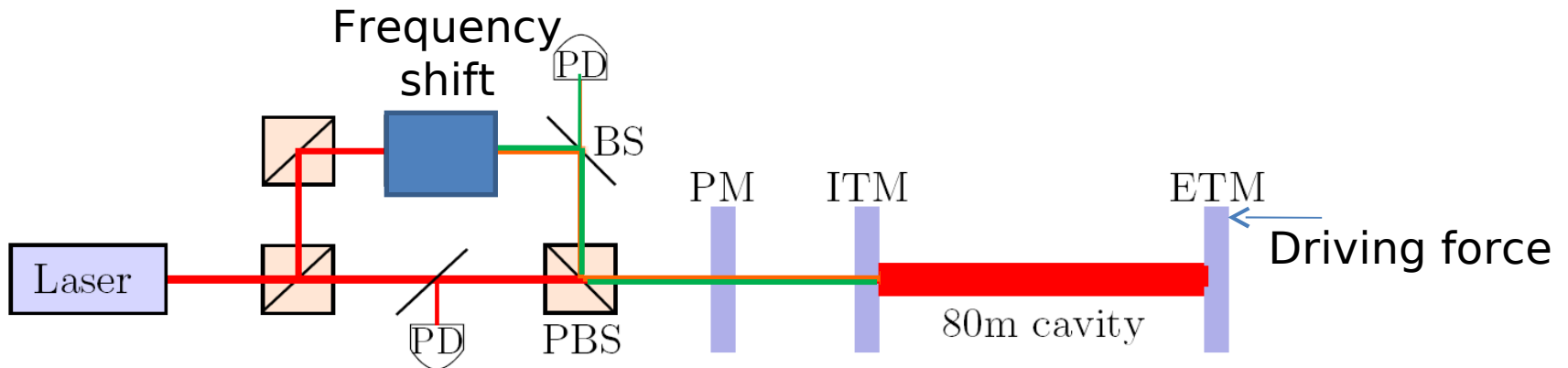


Henning Rehbein, etc. Phys. Rev. D **76**, 062002 (2007)

Sensitivity divided by SQL of detuned  
AdvLIGO with and without local readout

# Experimental demonstration of local readout

Using the same configuration as previous with additional power recycling mirror, PRM.



# Summary

1. At Gingin, we will aim for proof-of-principle experiments, but not the quantum noise limited measurement at the first stage;
2. We have started injection of two light beams of specific frequencies to the 80 m cavity;
3. A 50w Nd:YAG laser developed by University of Adelaide (Jesper Much) is being installed at Gingin;
4. The same facility will be used for experiments of investigating parametric instability.

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