

# Wavefront Sensing with a Coupled Cavity for Torsion-Bar Antenna

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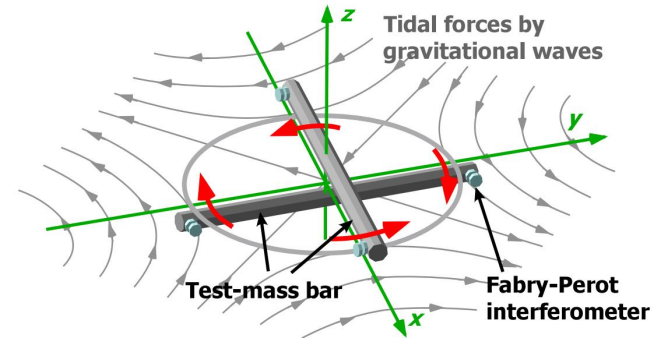
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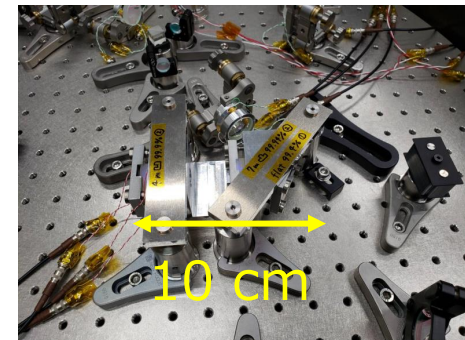
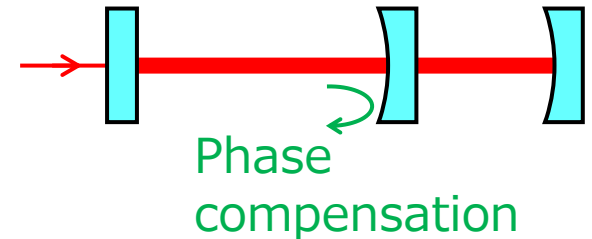
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# Overview

- Developing TOrsion-Bar Antenna (TOBA) to detect GW in low freq.
- Proposed an improved WaveFront Sensor with a Coupled cavity (Coupled WFS) as an angular sensor for TOBA
  - Angular signal is amplified
  - Beam jitter noise is small
- Demonstrated Coupled WFS
  - Established control method
  - Evaluated signal amplification

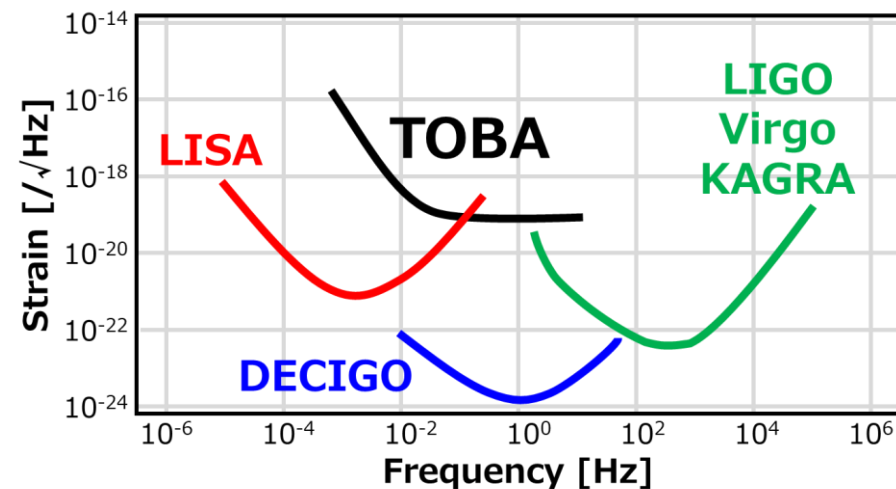
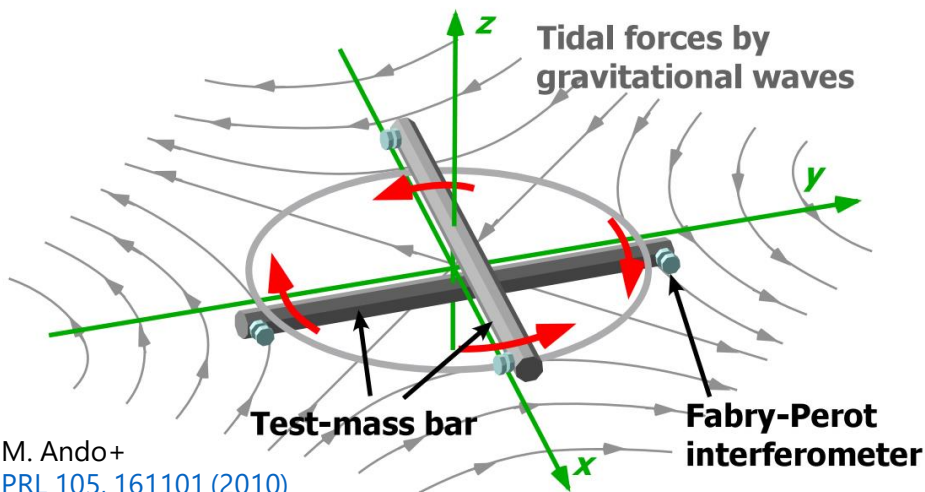


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# TOBA: TOrsion-Bar Antenna

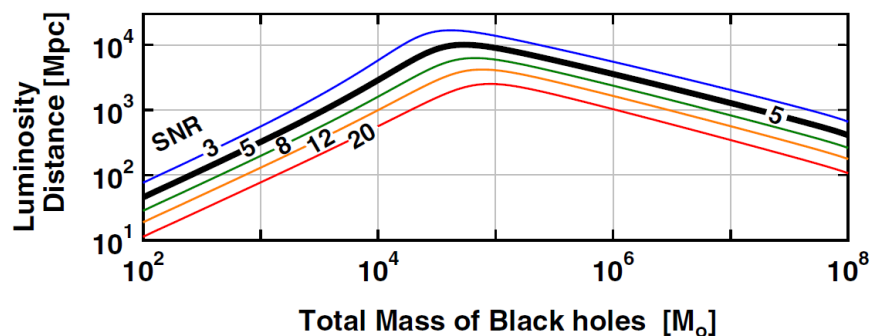
- Ground-based GW detector for low freq.
  - Final target:  $10^{-19} / \sqrt{\text{Hz}}$  at 0.1 Hz
- Aim to detect the torsional rotation of test masses suspended horizontally
- The resonant frequency of torsional motion is low → Good sensitivity in low freq. even on the ground
  - Inexpensive
  - Easy to maintain
  - Science on the ground



# Science of TOBA

## Astrophysics

- Intermediate mass BH binary merger
- Within  $\sim 1$  Mpc (Phase-III)
- Within  $\sim 10$  Gpc (Final)

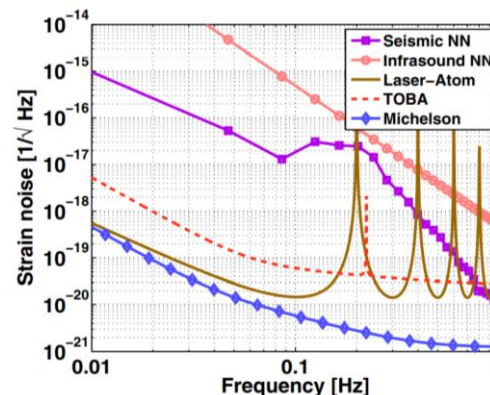


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- GW stochastic background
- $\Omega_{\text{GW}} \sim 10^{-7}$  (Final)

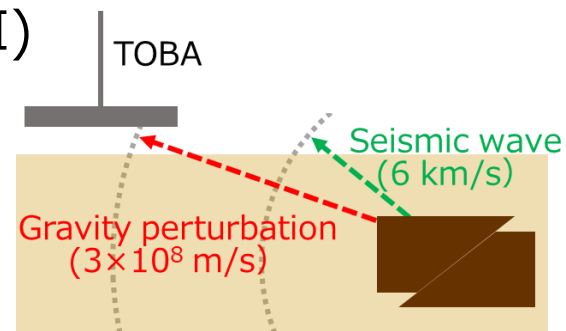
## Geophysics

- Newtonian noise
- First direct detection



J. Harms+  
[PRD 88, 122003 \(2013\)](#)

- Earthquake early warning
- M7 earthquake at a distance of 100 km within 10 sec (Phase-III)



# Development roadmap of TOBA

Phase-I

Phase-II

Now

Phase-III

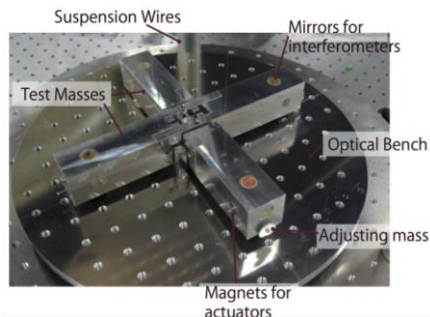
Final

Principle test

$10^{-8} / \sqrt{\text{Hz}}$  (Established)

$\sim 20$  cm bars

Room temp.



K. Ishidoshiro+, [PRL 106, 161101 \(2011\)](#)

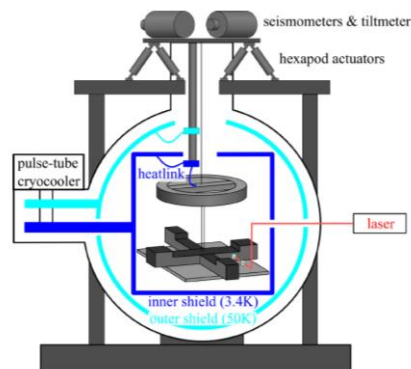
A. Shoda+, [PRD 95, 082004 \(2017\)](#)

Technical demonstration

$10^{-15} / \sqrt{\text{Hz}}$  (Target)

35 cm bars

Cryo. Temp. (4 K)



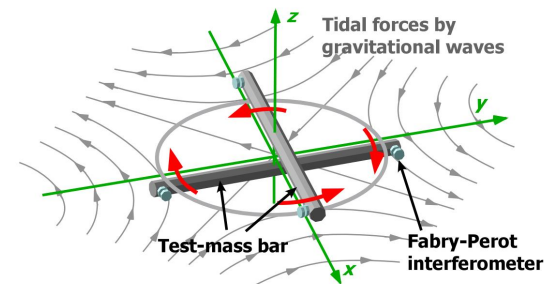
T. Shimoda+, [Int. J. Mod. Phys. D 29, 1940003 \(2020\)](#)

GW observation

$10^{-19} / \sqrt{\text{Hz}}$  (Target)

10 m bars

Cryo. Temp. (4 K)

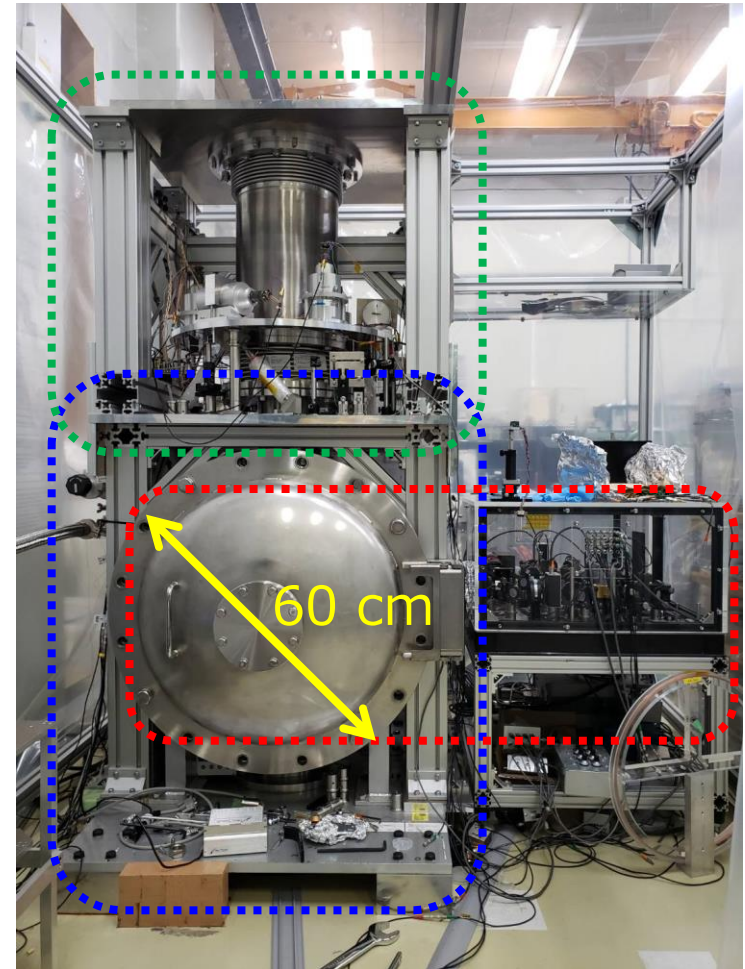
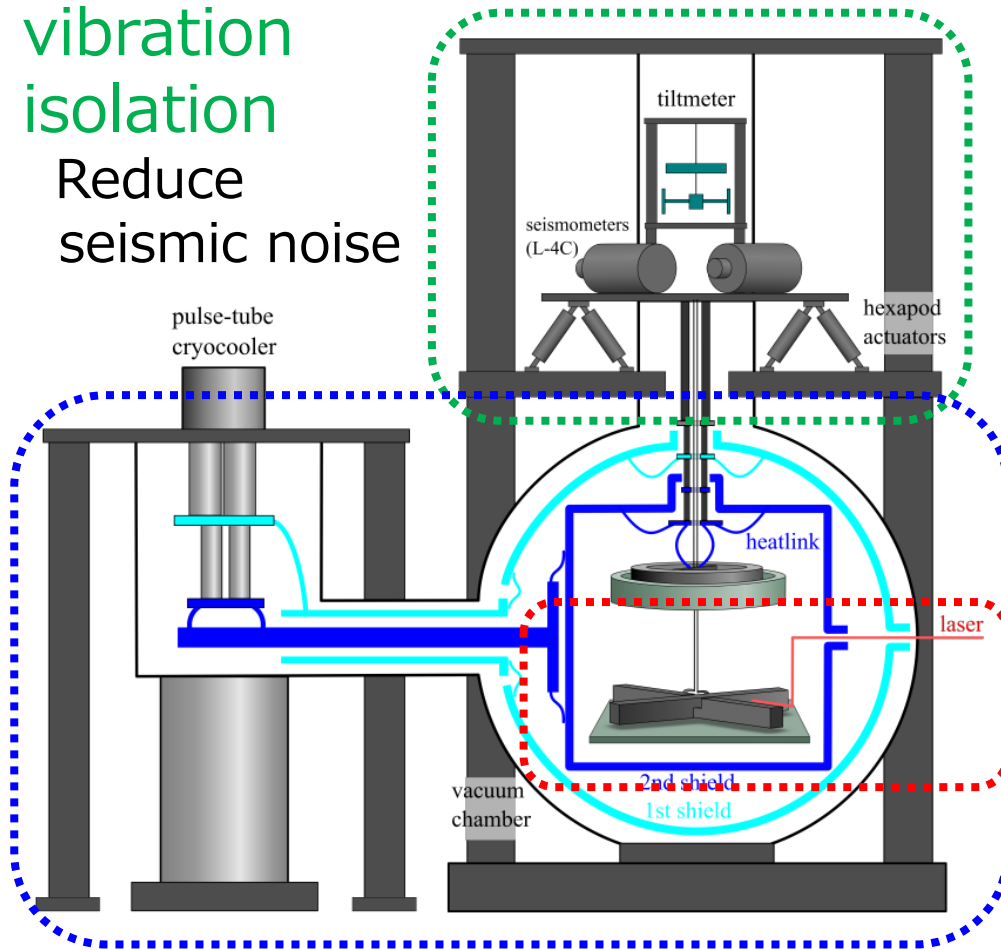


# Configuration of Phase-III TOBA

Active  
vibration  
isolation

Reduce  
seismic noise

T. Shimoda, [Ph.D. thesis \(2019\)](#)



Cryogenic suspension

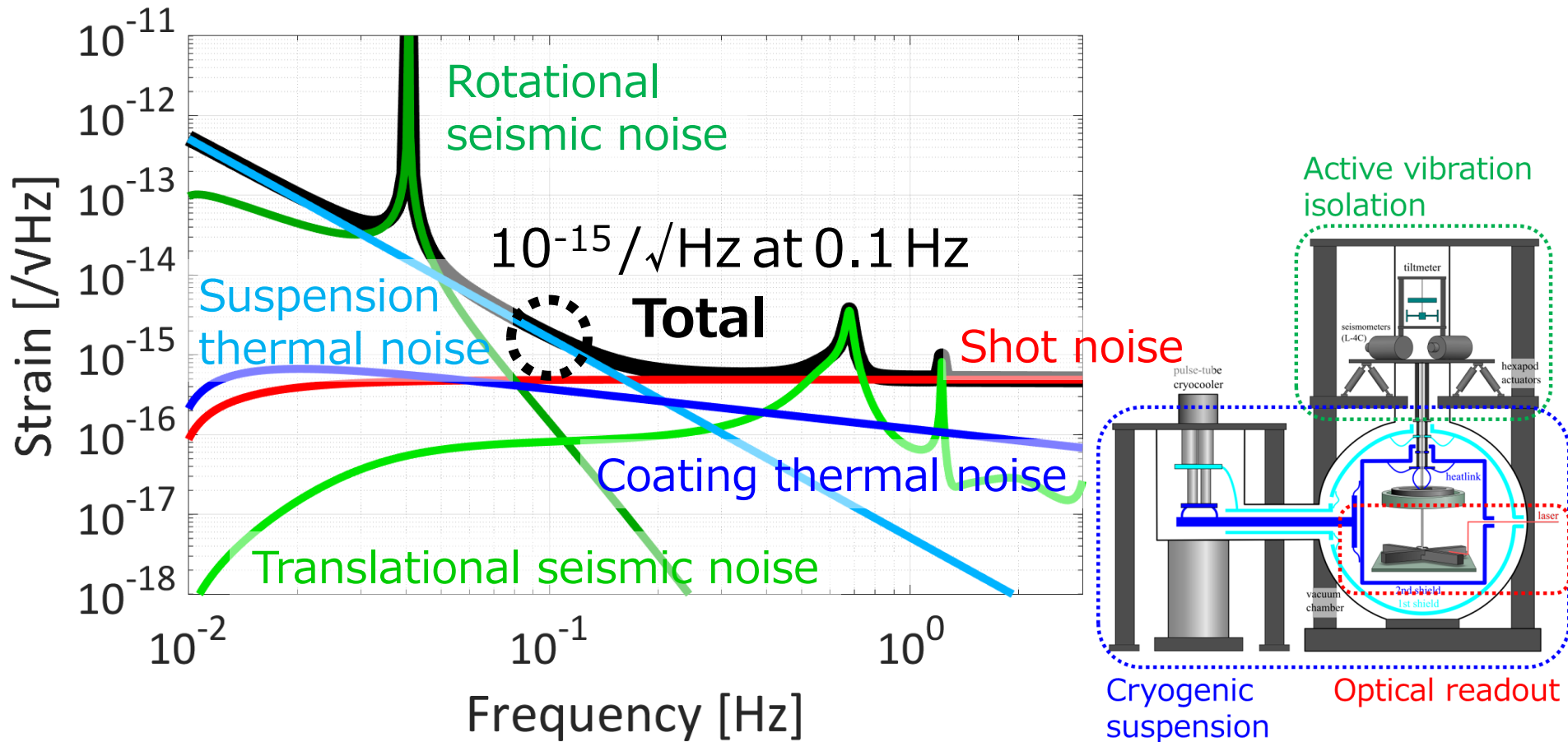
Torsion pendulums at 4 K

Optical readout

Detect the rotation of the pendulums



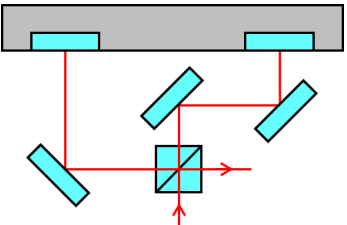
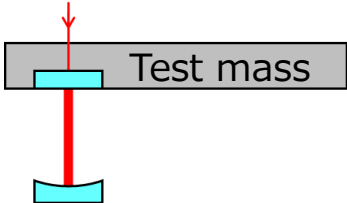
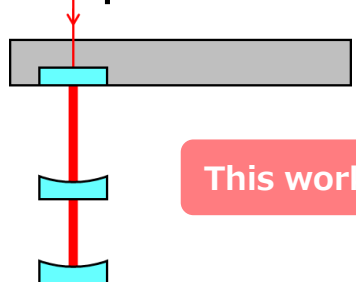
# Design sensitivity of Phase-III TOBA



- Our group is developing elements
  - Suspension wire with high Q-value at 4 K
  - Cryogenic monolithic optics
  - **Wavefront sensor with a coupled cavity (Coupled WFS)**

# Comparison of angular sensors

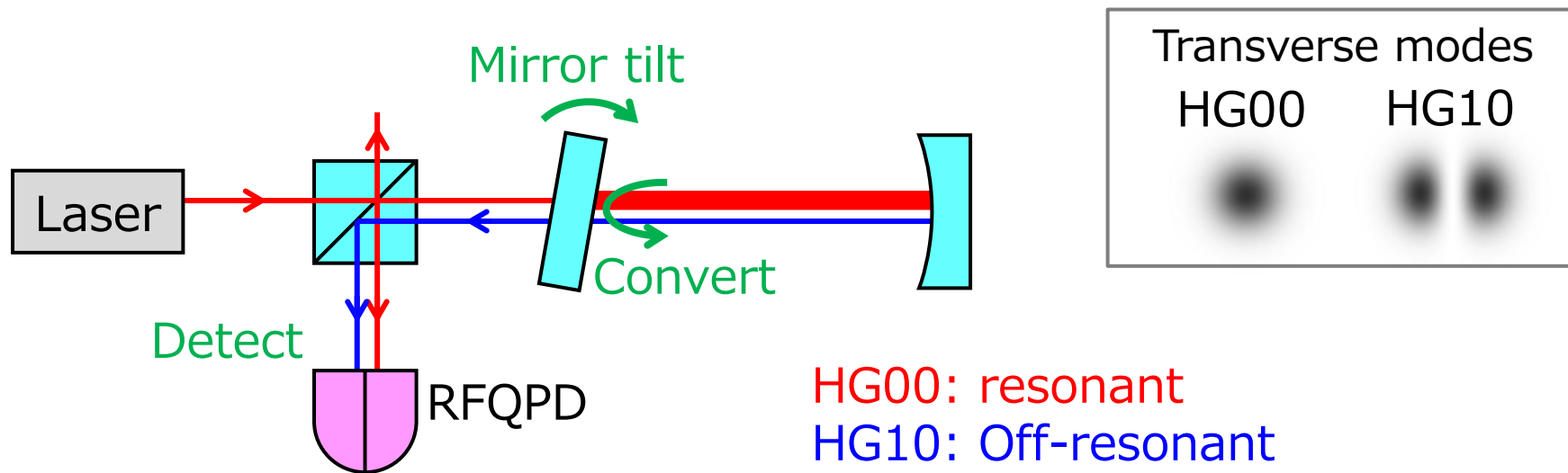
- Need a sensitive angular sensor to detect the rotation of torsion pendulums

	Michelson interferometer 	Wavefront sensor 	Coupled WFS 
Shot noise Requirement: $5 \times 10^{-16} \text{ rad}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$	😊	😞 No signal amplification	😊 Signal amplification
Freq. noise	😞 Non-parallel of two mirrors	😊	😊
Beam jitter	😞 Asymmetry of two light paths	😞	😊 No amplification of beam jitter
Thermal noise	😊	😐 Narrow range measurement	😐 Narrow range measurement
Linear range	😊	😊	😞 Trade-off with signal amplification



# Wavefront sensor

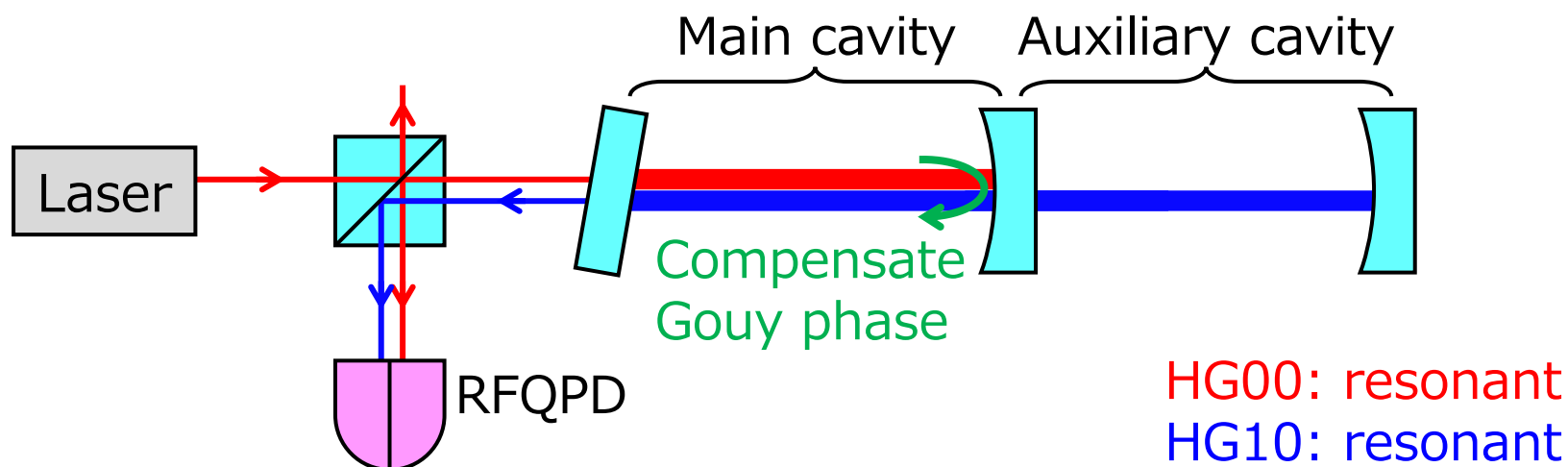
- WaveFront Sensor (WFS):  
angular sensor with an optical cavity
- HG10 is generated by mirror tilt
- Detect interference between HG00 and HG10
- Take the difference between left and right signals



- HG00 and HG10 **do not resonate simultaneously** due to **Gouy phase**  
→ HG10 is **not amplified** in the cavity

# Coupled wavefront sensor

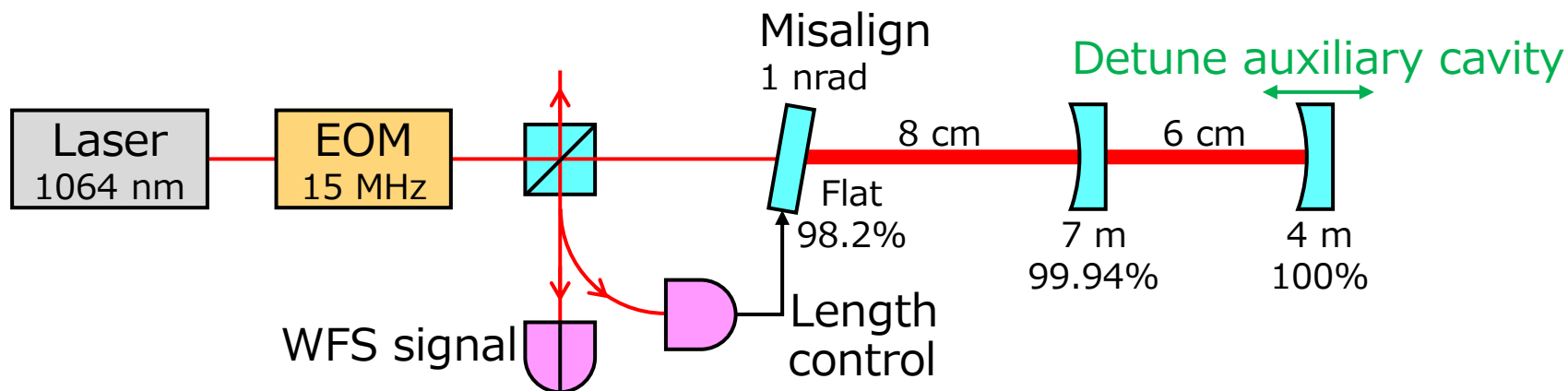
- Coupled wavefront sensor (Coupled WFS):  
wavefront sensor with a coupled cavity



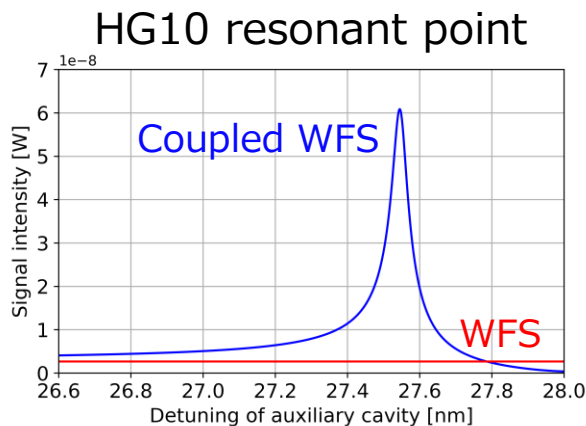
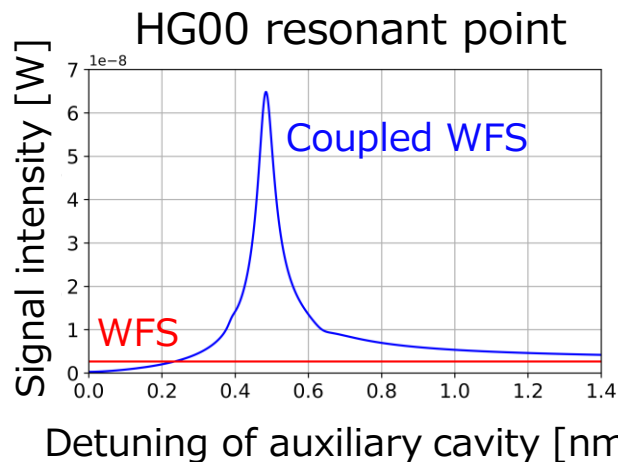
- HG00 and HG10 can **resonate simultaneously** due to **Gouy phase compensation** by the auxiliary cavity  
→ HG10 is **amplified** in the main cavity  
→ Coupled WFS signal is larger than WFS signal
- **Beam jitter is not amplified** in the main cavity  
→ Better S/N ratio to beam jitter noise

# Simulation for Coupled WFS

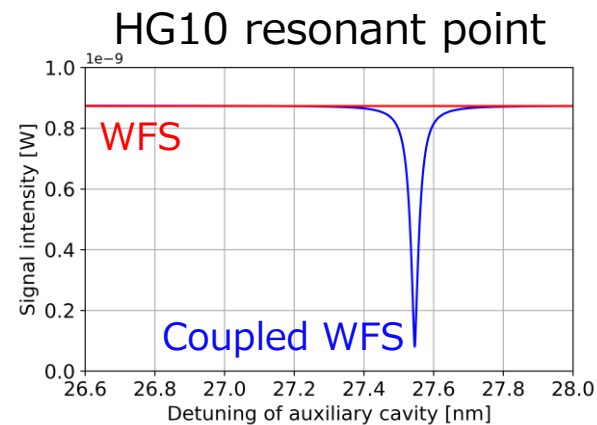
- Complicated configuration of Coupled WFS  
→ Calculation with simulation software **FINESSE**



- **Signal amplification** around resonant points of HG00 and HG10



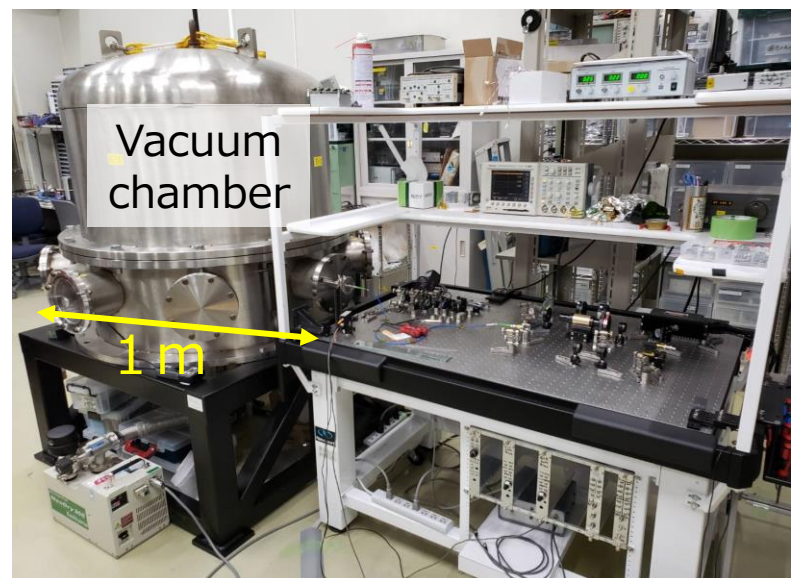
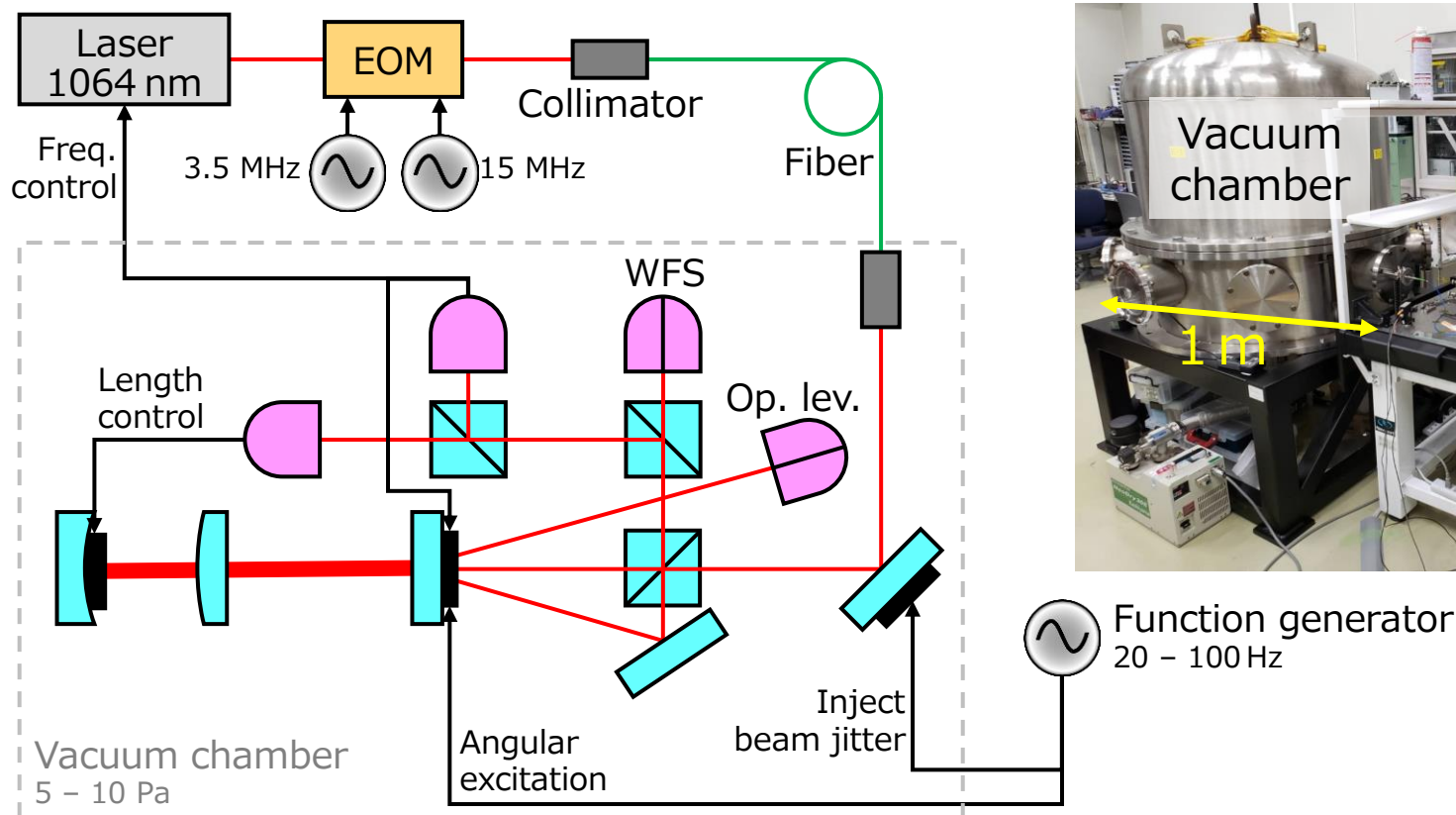
- **No amplification** to **beam jitter** noise



# Experimental demonstration

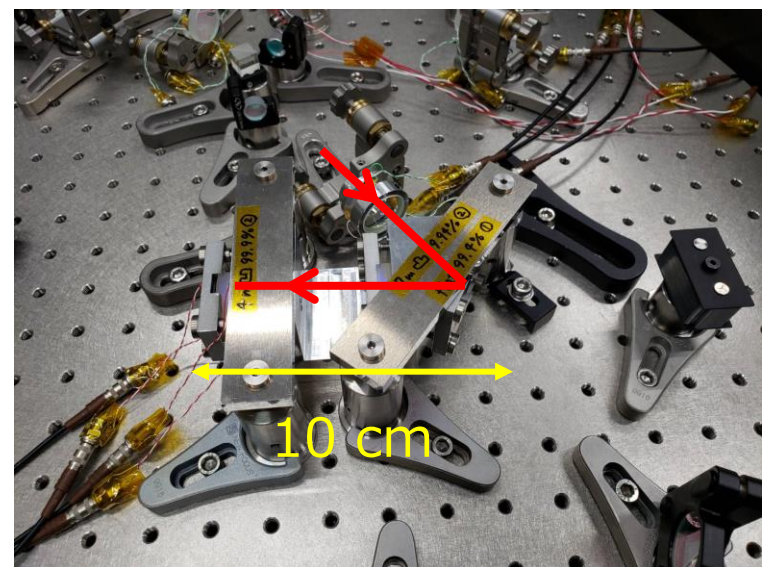
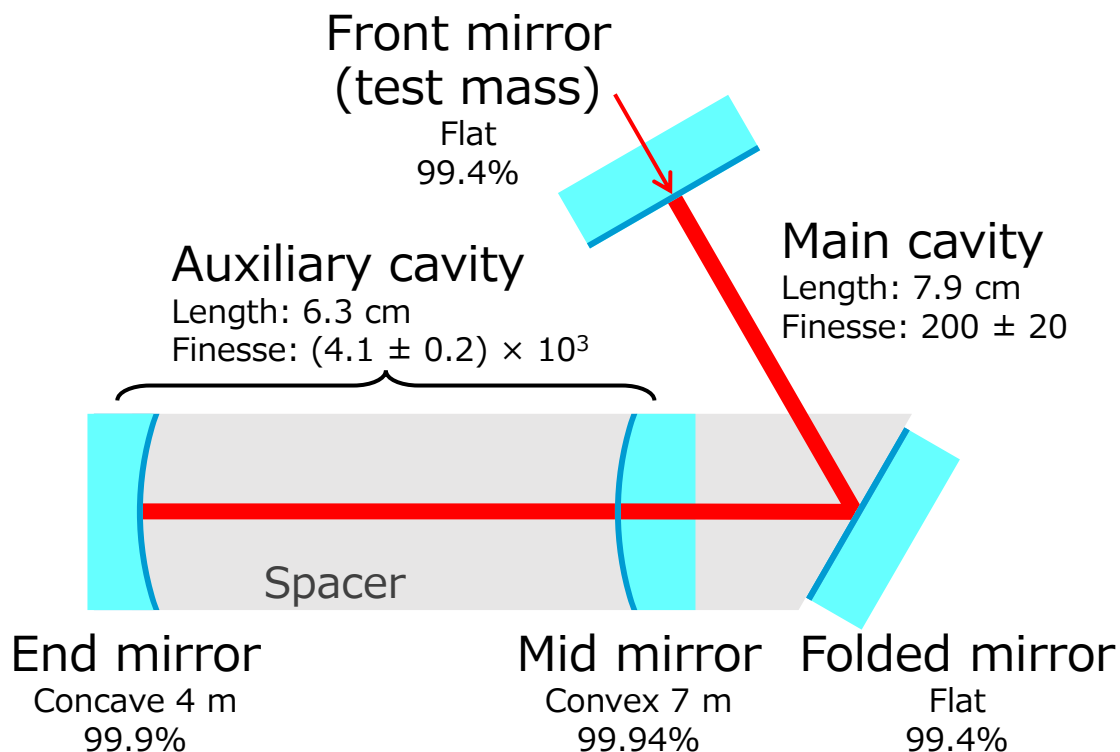
## Goal

- Evaluate signal amplification
  - Compare the signal intensity of WFS and Coupled WFS
- Establish control method
  - PDH technique for both main and auxiliary cavities



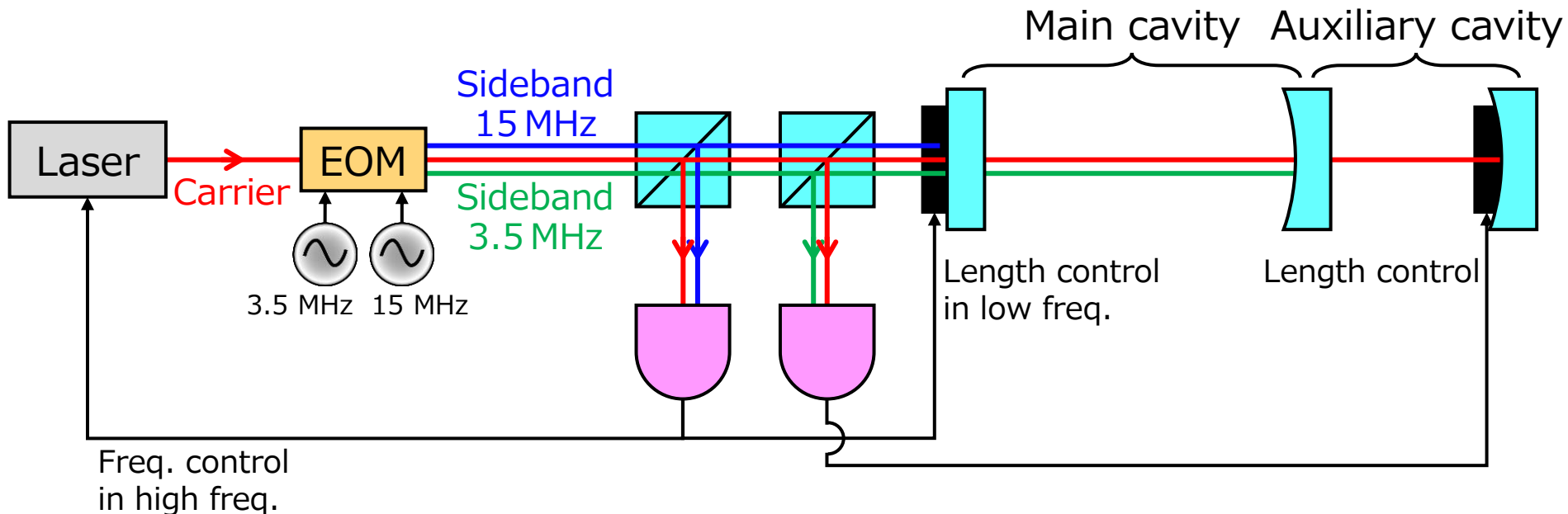
# Design of coupled cavity

- Parameters are **designed to enable phase compensation**
  - Reflectivity and loss of the auxiliary cavity are important  
→ HR coating is facing the auxiliary cavity
- The main cavity is **folded to monitor the transmitted light**
- Mirrors are **fixed to a spacer** to stabilize the alignment



# Control method of coupled cavity

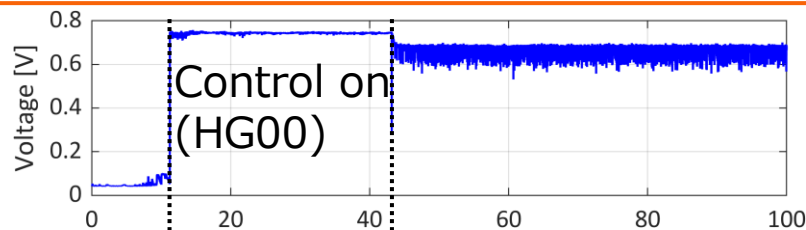
- PDH technique **with two modulation frequencies**
  - 15 MHz for the main cavity
  - 3.5 MHz for the auxiliary cavity
- **Hierarchical control** for the main cavity
  - To prevent transmitting disturbances from the main cavity to the aux. cavity through laser freq.



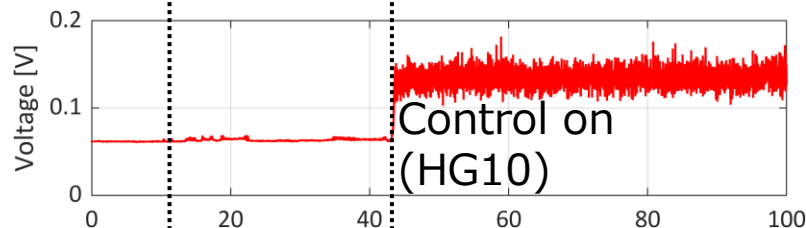


# Results of cavity locking

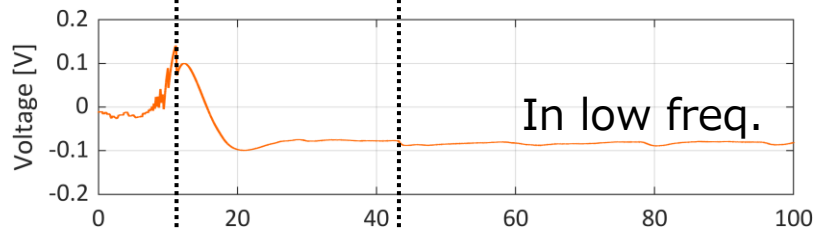
Trans. light of  
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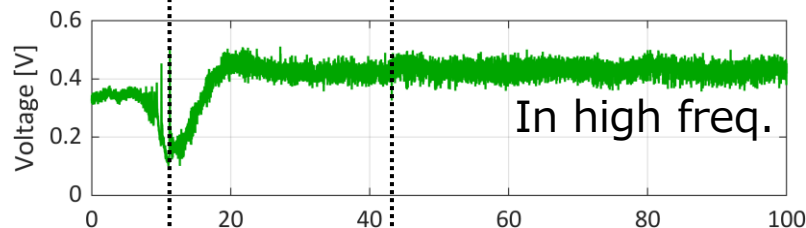
Trans. light of  
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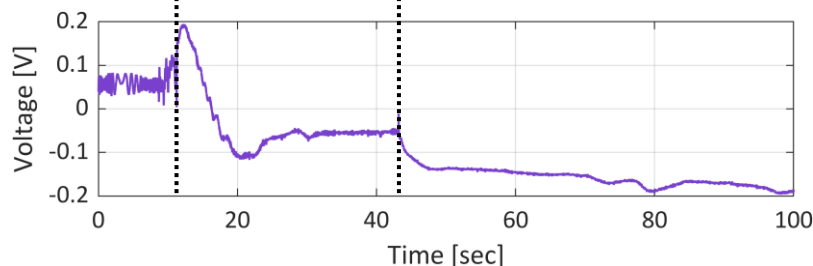
FB signal to  
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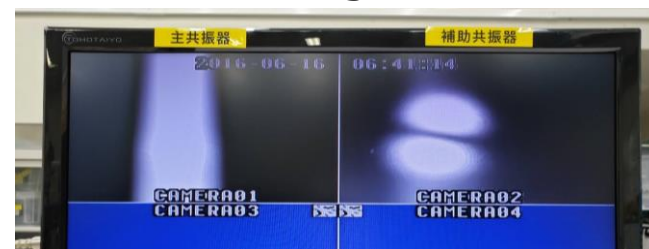
FB signal to  
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(laser freq.)



FB signal to  
the aux. cavity  
(end mirror)



Transmitted light with CCD



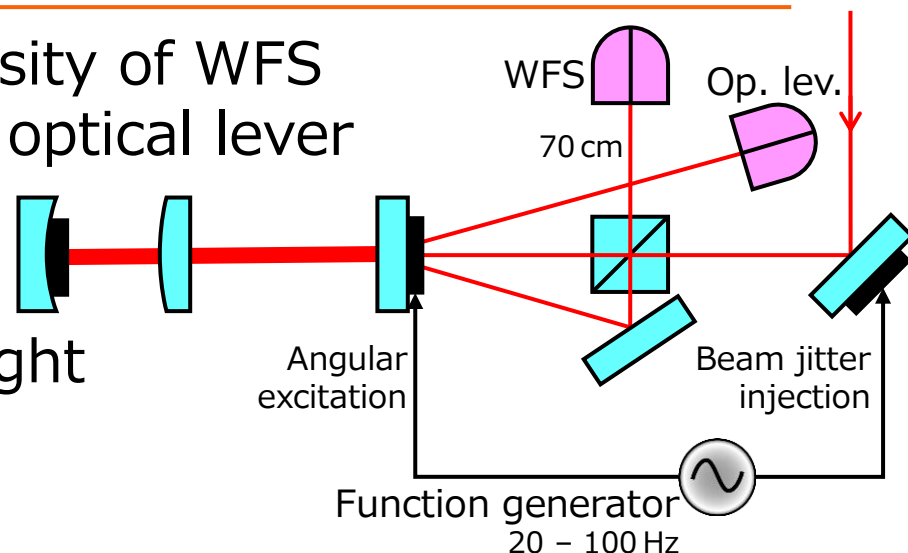
Main  
(HG00)

Auxiliary  
(HG10)

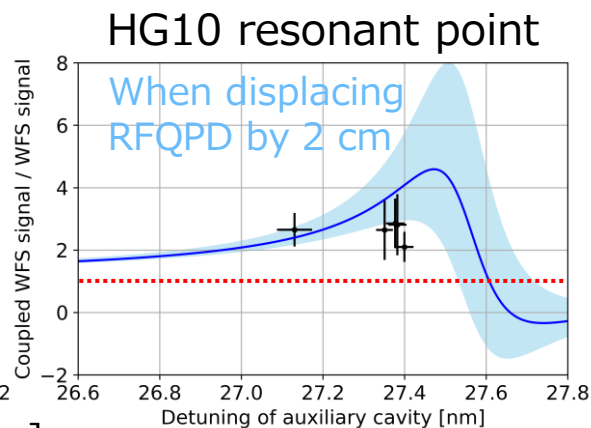
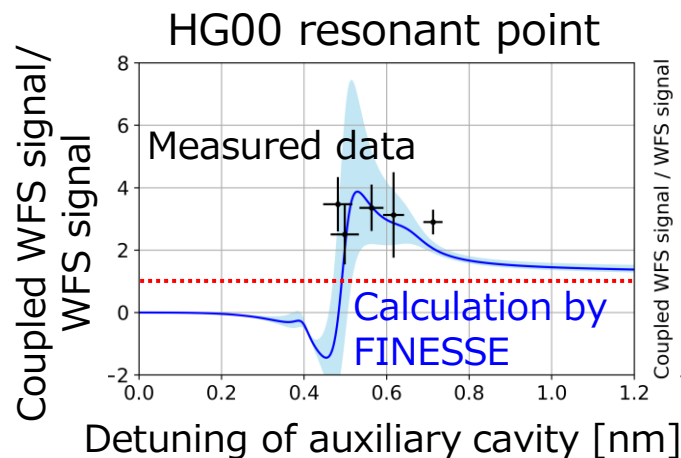
- Cavities were successfully **locked to HG00 and HG10** simultaneously

# Results of signal amplification

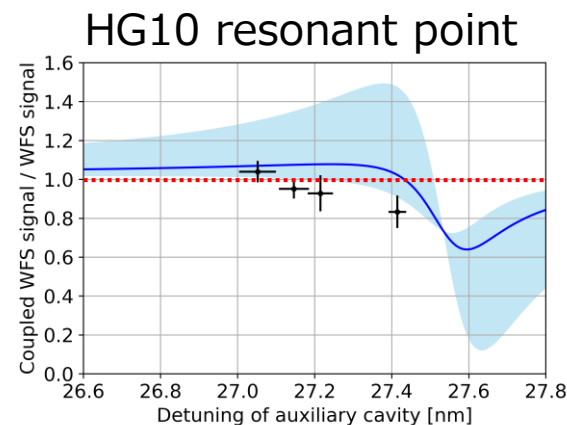
- Calibrated the signal intensity of WFS and Coupled WFS with an optical lever
- Calibrated the lock point of the auxiliary cavity with the power of trans. light



- **Angular excitation** for front mirror  
→ **Signal amplification**

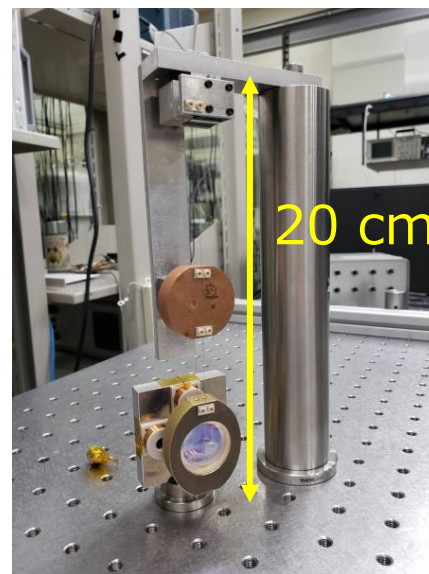
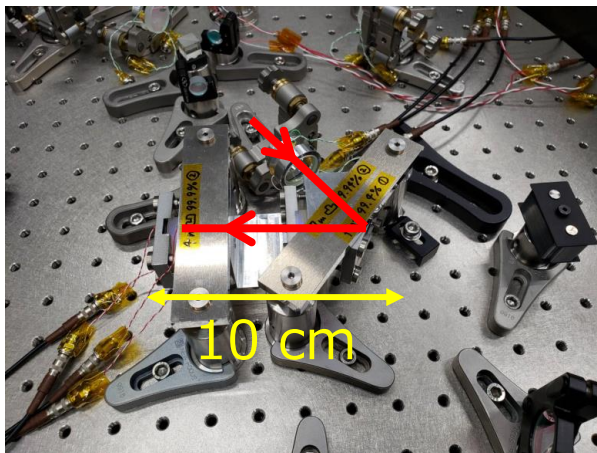
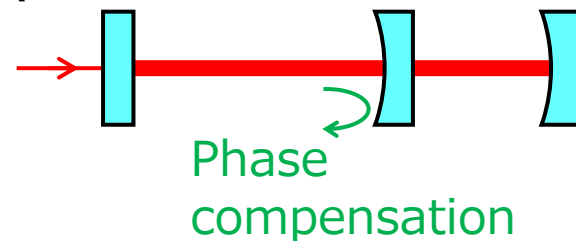


- **Beam jitter injection**  
→ **No amplification**



# Summary & Future plans

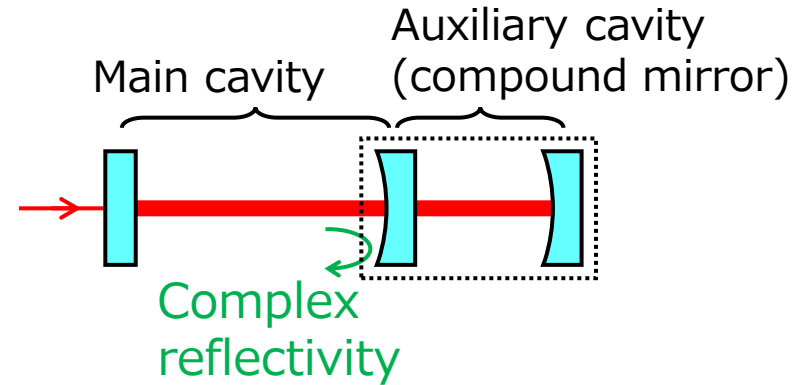
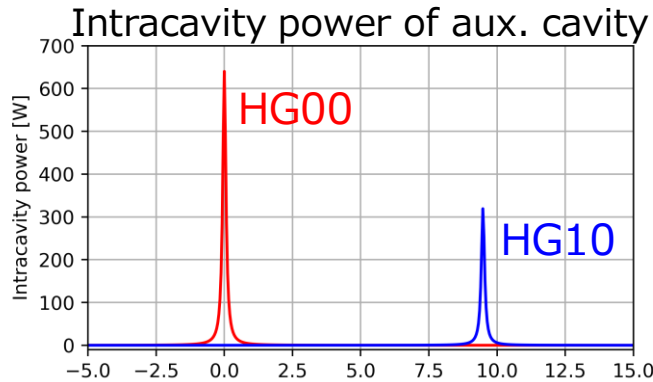
- Developing **TOBA** to detect GW in low freq.
- Proposed **Coupled WFS** as an angular sensor for TOBA
- Demonstrated Coupled WFS for TOBA
  - Established **control method**
  - Evaluated **signal amplification**



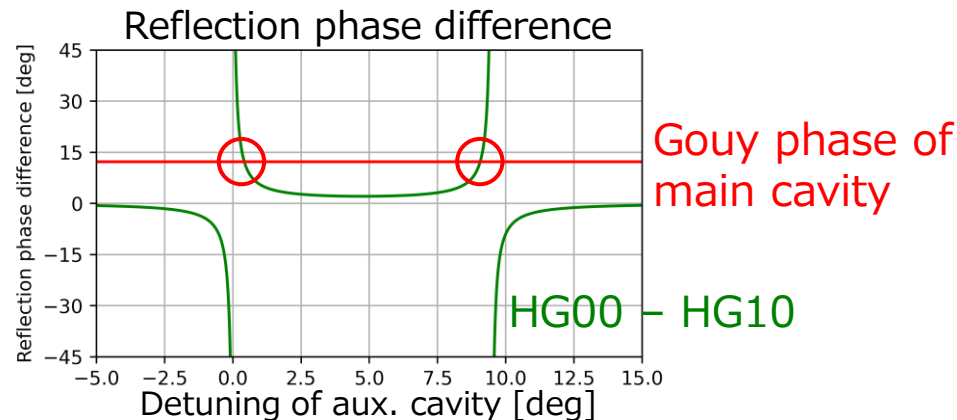
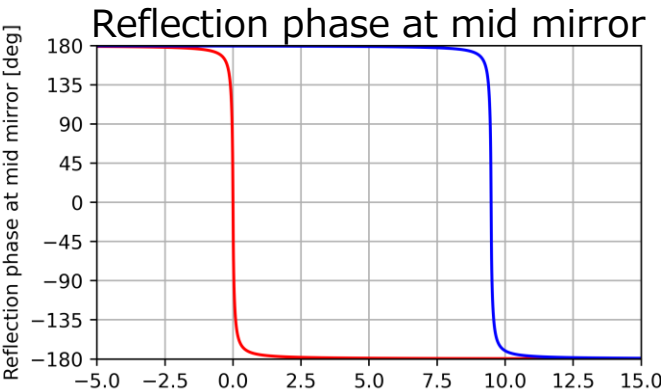
- Plan to **suspend the test mass** to stabilize the cavity lock

# Extra slides

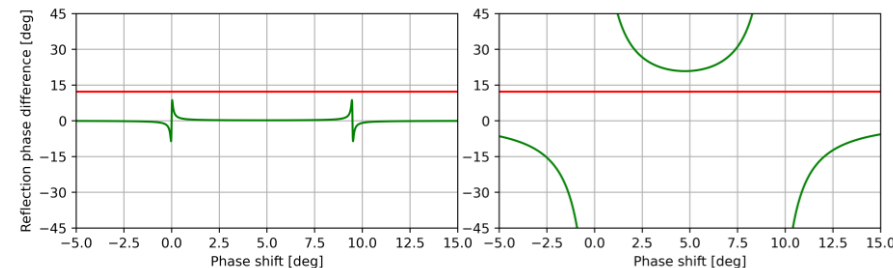
# Phase compensation with aux. cavity



- HG00 and HG10 receive different Gouy phase when reflected at the auxiliary cavity  
→ Gouy phase of the main cavity can be canceled

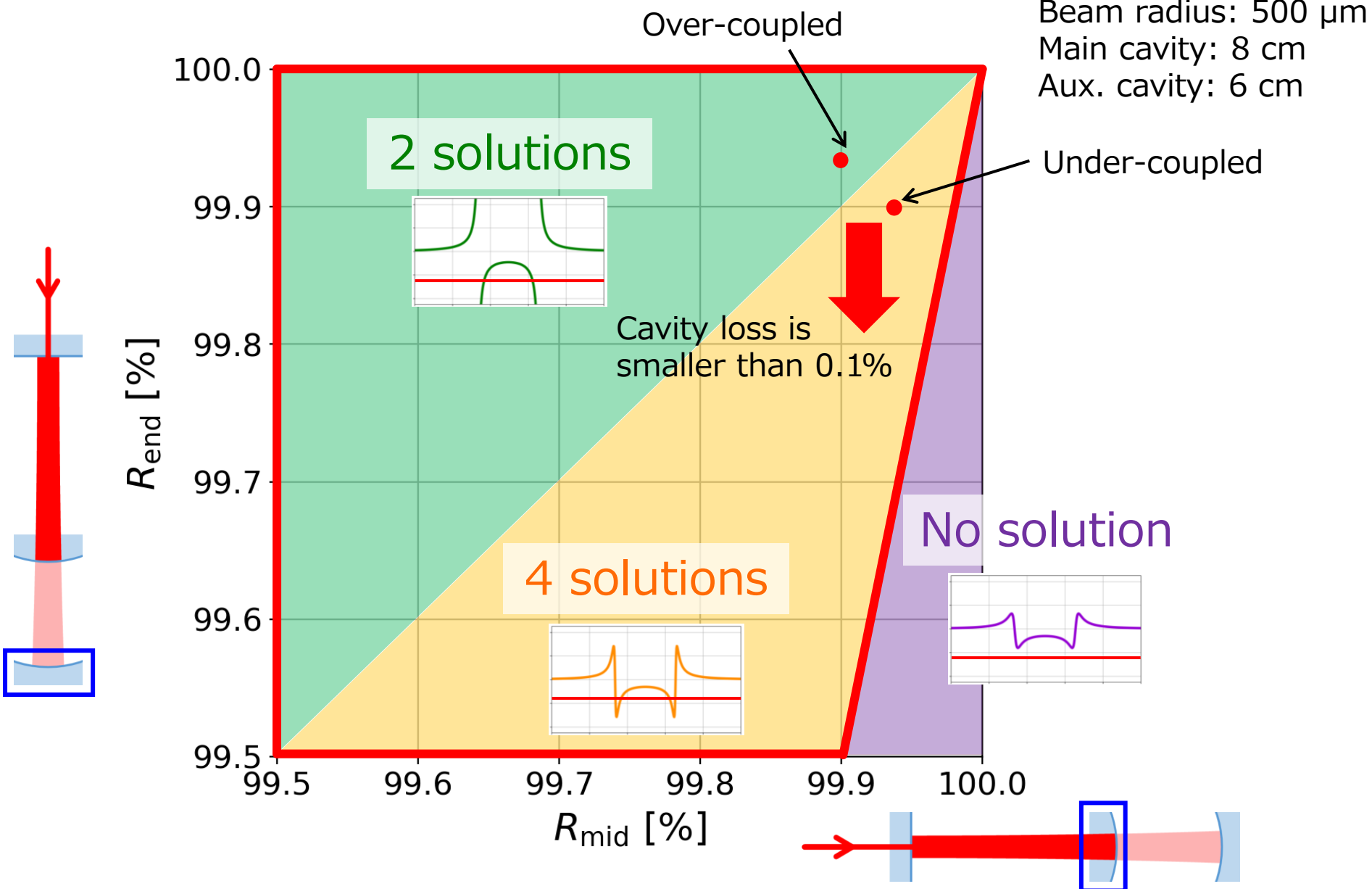


Aux. cavity cannot compensate Gouy phase depending on cavity parameters



# Robustness to cavity loss

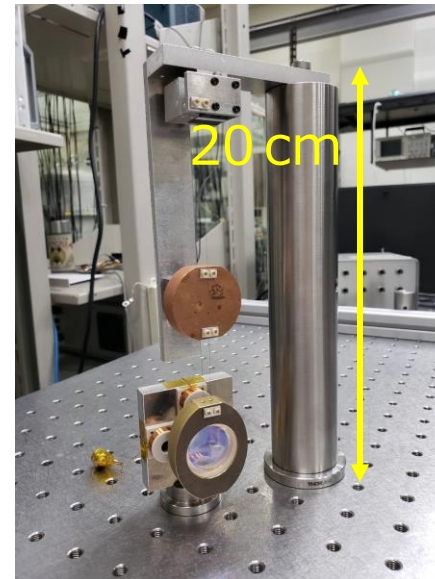
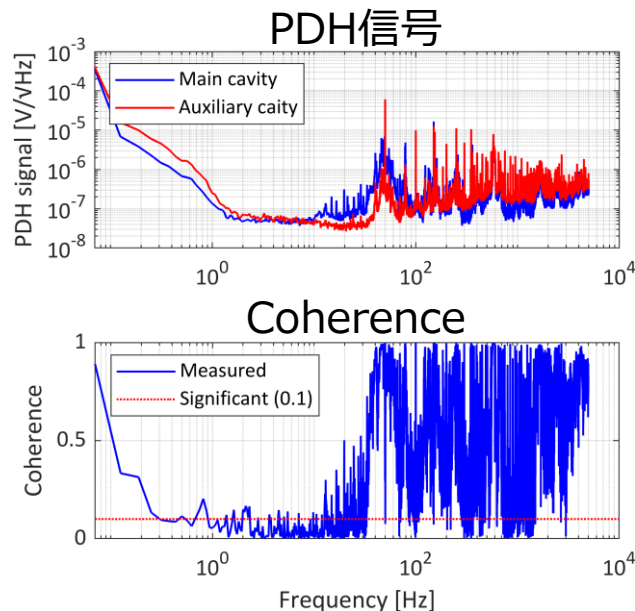
Beam radius: 500  $\mu\text{m}$   
Main cavity: 8 cm  
Aux. cavity: 6 cm





# Discussion

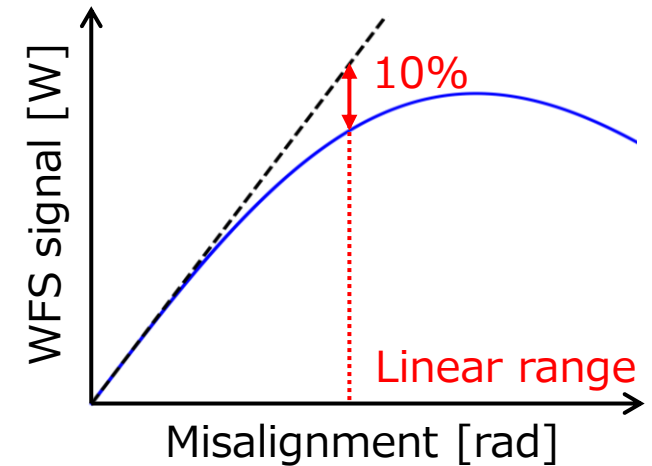
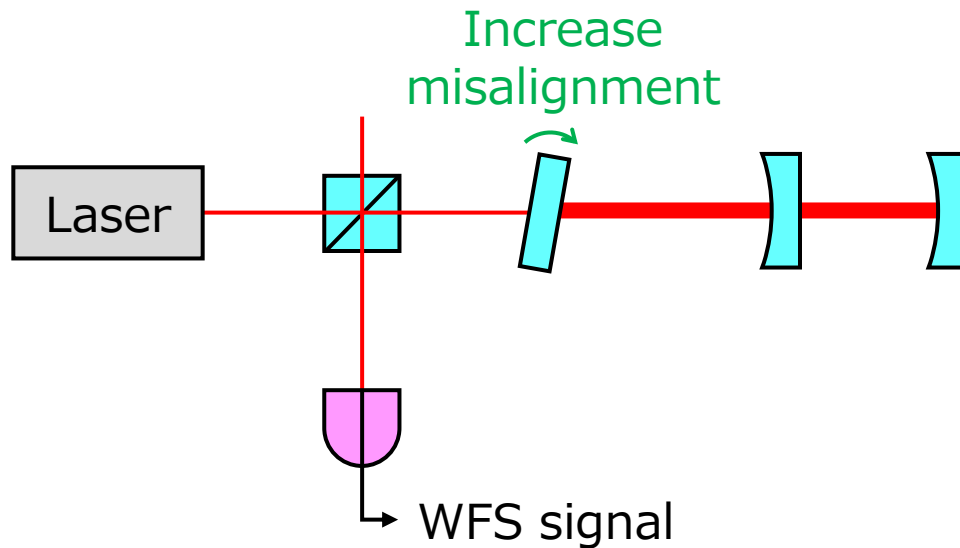
- Current issue
  - High coherence over 40 Hz between two PDH signals  
→ FB control is unstable due to narrow-band control
- How to solve
  - Suspend front mirror to reduce disturbance in high freq.
  - Return FB signal to the front mirror to reduce the correlation between PDH signals in high freq.



# Simulation with FINESSE



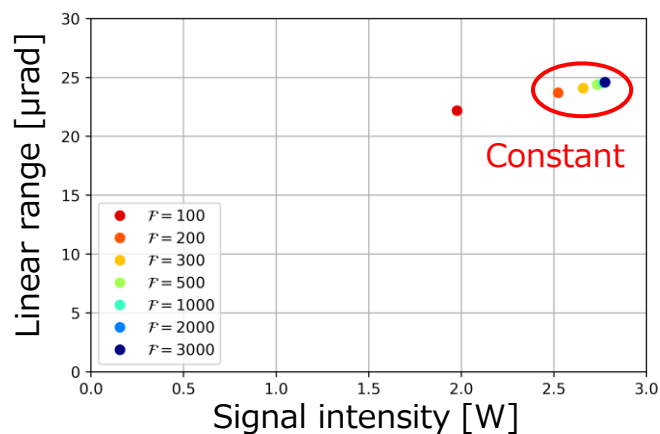
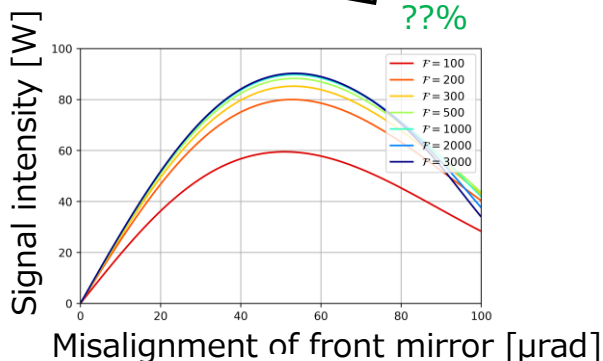
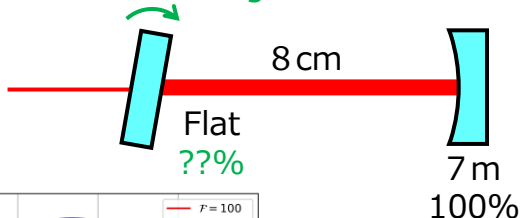
- No analytical solution for linear range  
→ Use interferometer simulation software FINESSE
- Calculate Coupled WFS signal with increasing misalignment



# Linear range of Coupled WFS

## WFS

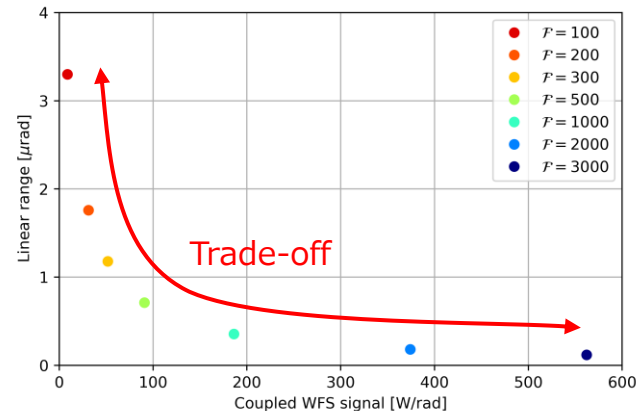
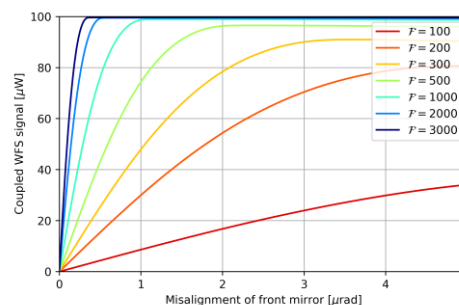
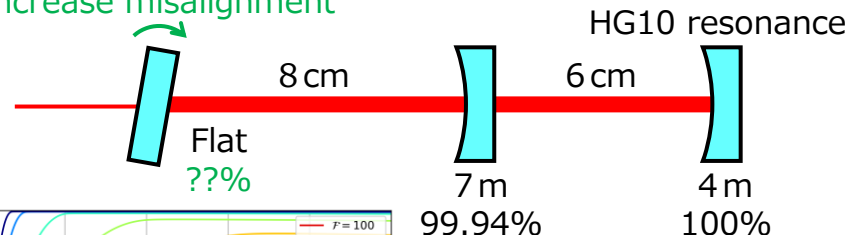
Increase misalignment



- Signal intensity and linear range are independent of finesse

## Coupled WFS

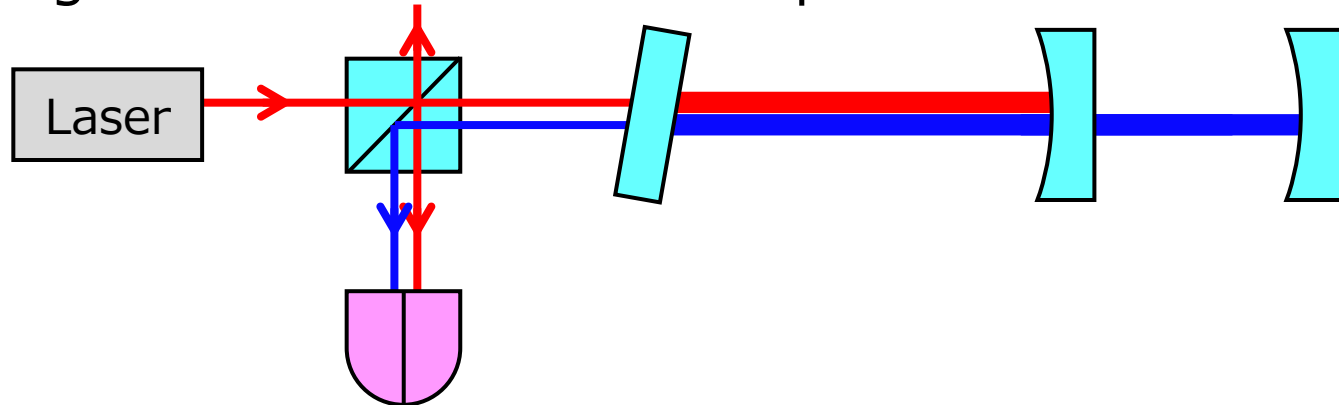
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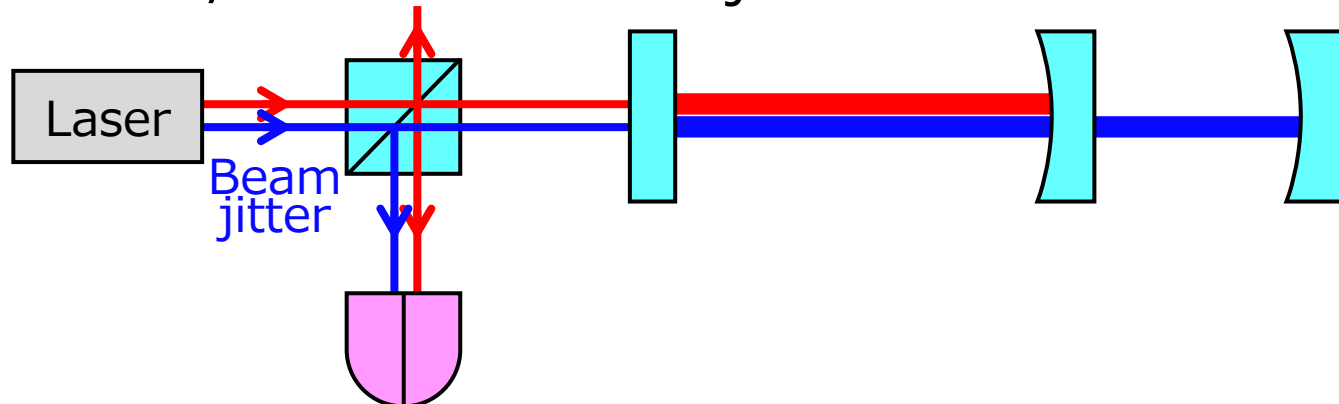
- The larger the finesse, the higher signal intensity, and the smaller the linear range

# Beam jitter noise of Coupled WFS

- HG10 generated by mirror tilt is amplified in the cavity and goes out to the reflection port



- HG10 in beam jitter is also resonant in the cavity, but the amount in the incident and reflected light is the same (not amplified)  
→ Good S/N ratio for beam jitter noise



# Evaluation of cavities

	Quantities	Design values※	Measured values
Main cavity	Finesse	225 – 667	$200 \pm 20$
	Gouy phase [deg]	12.1 – 12.3	$12.1 \pm 1.0$
	Mode-match ratio [%]	–	$87 \pm 2$
Auxiliary cavity	Finesse	$(3.14 - 5.23) \times 10^3$	$(4.1 \pm 0.2) \times 10^3$
	Gouy phase [deg]	9.25 – 9.71	$9.54 \pm 0.04$
	Mode-match ratio [%]	–	$94 \pm 2$

※ Calculated from Layertec spec values

- Measured finesse of aux. cavity is consistent with design
- Measured Gouy phase is consistent with design  
→ Phase compensation is possible
- Measured finesse of main cavity is smaller than design  
→ Loss in AR coating is the cause
- Mode match ratio is large enough

