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# Modeling Thermal Effects in Advanced LIGO with SIS.

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## An Introduction to the Static Interferometer Simulator

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- Written by Hiro Yamamoto
- Can presently be used to simulate FP cavities as well as two coupled cavities.
- Workflow:





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### FEM Model Description

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- Simplifications
  - Flat surfaces for suspension wires are neglected.
  - Residual gas effects are neglected.
  - Test masses are not wedged.
  - Ring heater is treated as a heat source applied directly to the optic.
  - The substrate absorption of the ITM is set at its worst case value of 3 ppm/cm.

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### Needed Ring Heater Power at Full IFO Power



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# Required Ring Heater Power at Other IFO Power Levels

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#### Ring Heater Power

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 Sweeping the ring heater power similarly at other IFO power levels, we find that the required ring heater power is very linear in the arm cavity power;

$$P_{RH} = 1.05 \times 10^{-5} P_{arm} - 0.05 W.$$
 (1)

Note that the simulations were only run for equal amounts of ring heater power on both test masses, so this should be treated as a nominal value.



### Simulation Setup

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### IFO Operation with RH

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- We treat the power recycling cavity coupled to the x arm of the interferometer taking into account the beamsplitter.
- The input beam is fixed at its cold state IFO value.
- Deformation and phase maps are generated using the FEM model and imported directly into SIS.
- Simulation was run once for an interferometer without any thermal compensation and once for an interferometer with ring heaters but no CO<sub>2</sub>.
- Both the test mass curvatures and the integrated phase through the CP and ITM is included.

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### **IFO Simulation Results**



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### $CO_2$ Model

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The CO<sub>2</sub> beam was naively modeled as a step function of radius, i.e.

$$150\frac{\mathsf{W}}{\mathsf{m}^2} * \Theta\left(r - \frac{3}{2}\omega_{ITM}\right). \tag{2}$$

 Varying the parameters while looking for a reasonably flat phase profile gives the above result.



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#### CO<sub>2</sub> Results

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### Conclusions and Future Work

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Conclusions

- TCS will be invaluable to reaching Advanced LIGO's design goals.
- In particular, the  $CO_2$  system will be necessary.
- Future Work
  - More realistic model of ITM and ETM (underway).
  - Compare FEM models to experiment (underway).
  - Allow for different ring heater powers.
  - More realistic CO<sub>2</sub> model.
  - How do these effects depend on substrate absorption?
  - Include measured ring heater profile in FEM models.
  - Development and modeling of TCS error signals.
  - Could adaptive mode matching help out?
  - Distinguish between carrier and sidebands in the PRC.