# Understanding Cabling Noise in LIGO

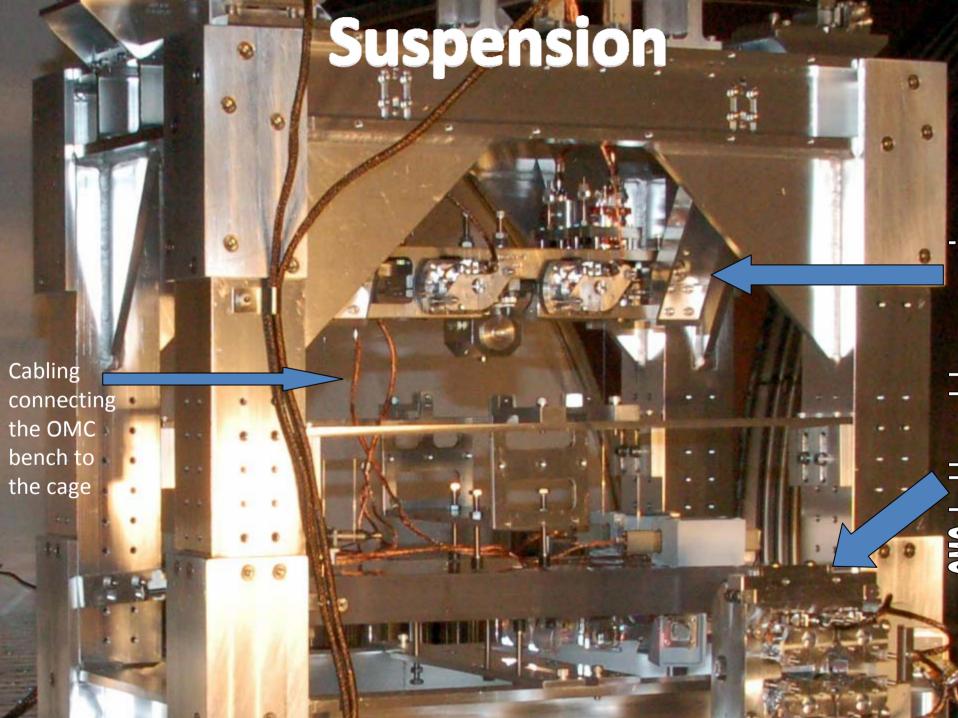
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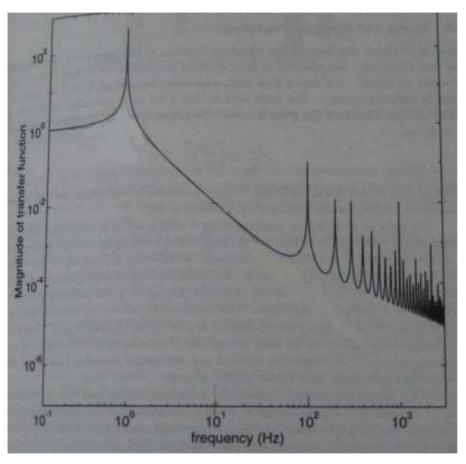
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#### Pendulum as a vibration isolator



Single pendulum resonant at 1 Hz

$$\frac{x}{x_g} \approx \frac{f_0^2}{f^2}$$

$$\frac{x}{x_g} \approx \left(\frac{f_0^2}{f^2}\right)^N$$

How would the cabling deteriorate the isolation?

$$k_{T}(1+i\emptyset_{T}) = k_{p}(1+i\emptyset_{p}) + k_{c}(1+i\emptyset_{c})$$

$$k_{T}(1+i\emptyset_{T}) = k_{p} + k_{c}(1+i\emptyset_{c})$$

$$\emptyset_{T} = \frac{k_{c}\emptyset_{c}}{k_{c} + k_{p}} = \frac{k_{c}\emptyset_{c}}{k_{T}} = \frac{k_{c}\emptyset_{c}}{f^{2}I}$$

$$Q \sim \frac{1}{\emptyset}$$

$$Q = f^2 \left( \frac{I}{k_c \emptyset_c} \right)$$

For structural damping  $\emptyset_c = constant$ 

For velocity damping  $Q_c \sim f$ 

#### Method

Experimental characterization of the cabling's damping function.

-Jimmy Chen

Computer modeling to apply the damping function to specific cabling-attached-to-suspension systems.

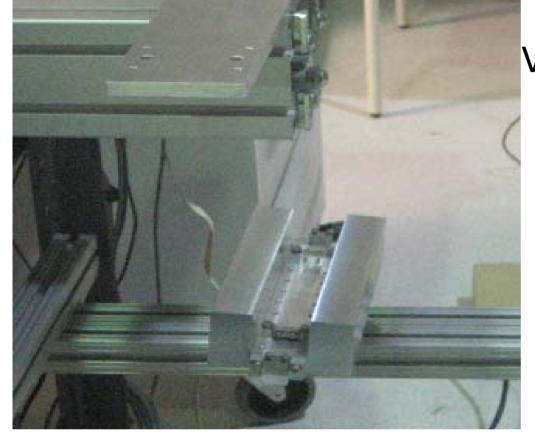
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## **Apparatus**

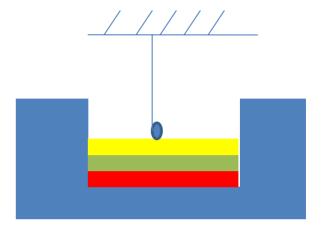
- Two wire torsion pendulum
- Support structure for the pendulum
- Cabling

## **Apparatus Design Goals**

- 1. An order of magnitude variability in yaw and pitch frequency
- 2. Cases that can be easily modeled
- 3. Stiff support structure



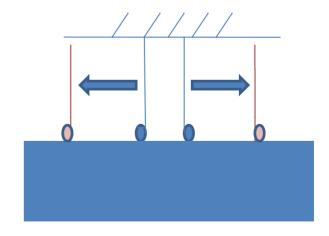
Varying pitch frequency

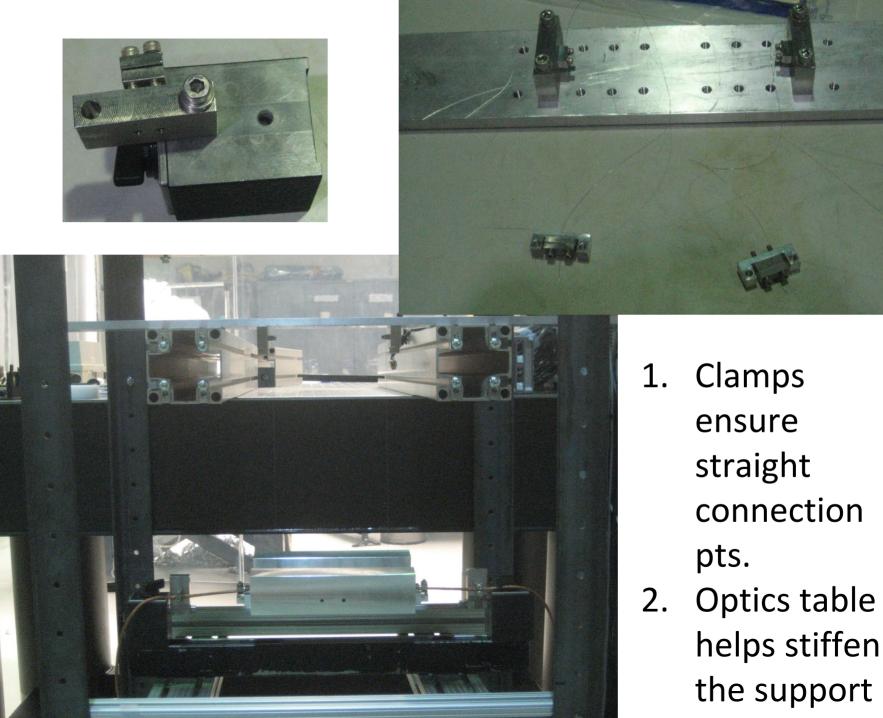


Varying yaw frequency

Yaw frequency range: 0.14 Hz – 1.27 Hz

Pitch frequency range: 0.41 Hz - 2.97Hz

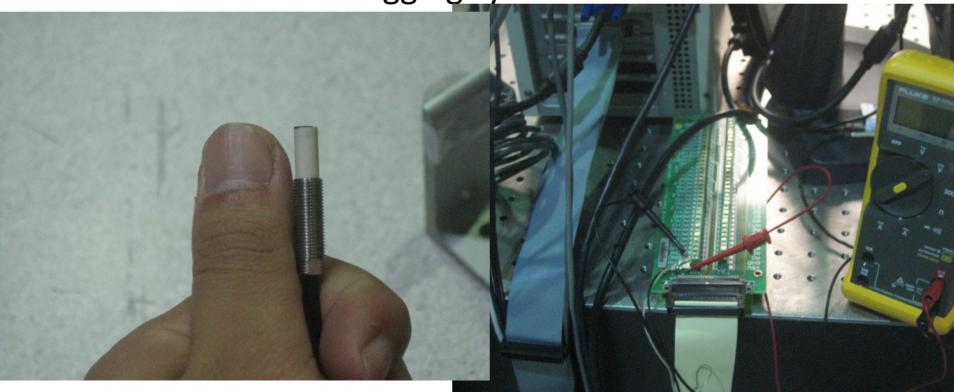




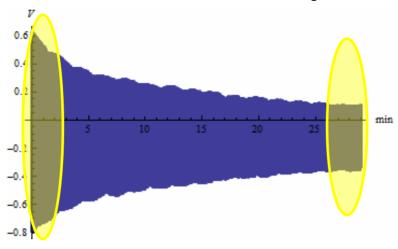
## Data Collecting

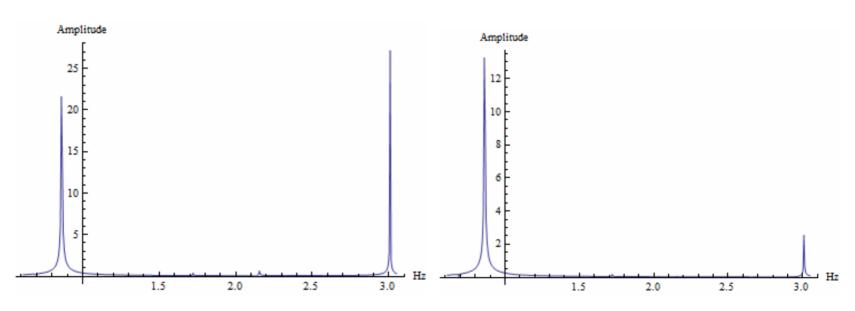
- Equipment used:
  - Kaman eddy current displacement sensor

LabVIEW data logging system



## **Data Analysis**





Data analysis method and computer program by Mark Barton

#### Results

## Yaw mode

	frequency	
	measured	predicted
n=1 cm	0.134	0.1366
n=3 cm	0.4089	0.4098
n=5 cm	0.6836	0.683
n=7 cm	0.958	0.956
n=9 cm	1.227	1.229

### Pitch mode

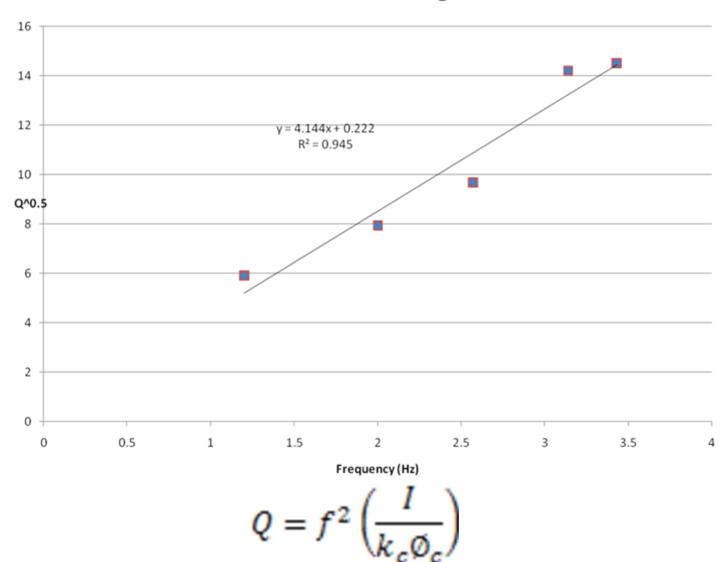
	frequency	
	measured	predicted
0 plate	0.656	0.414
1 plate	1.56	1.458
2 plates	2.14	2.066
3 plates	2.61	2.559
4 plates	3.01	2.97

Model predictions by Julian Freed-Brown, based on equations by Calum Torrie.

## Results

	pitch mode			n = 5 cm with cabling		
	without cabling					
	frequency	Q		frequency	Q	Q^0.5
0 plate	0.656	1703		1.2	34.8	5.899152
1 plate	1.56	2376		2	62.9	7.930952
2 plates	2.14	3775		2.57	93.8	9.68504
3 plates	2.61	4627		3.14	202	14.21267
4 plates	3.01	6293		3.43	211	14.52584

#### Pitch Mode with Cabling Attached



#### Results

$$k_c = f_T^2 I - f_p^2 I$$

$$k_c = \pm 0.002 \frac{Nm}{rad}$$

$$\emptyset_c = 0.03 \pm 0.01$$

### **Future Work**

- 1. Feed results into Julian's Mathematica model
- 2. Check for agreement between the model and experiment frequency results.
- 3. Study the resulting transfer functions and make recommendations on cabling dressing.