

From Coherence to Source Location: Environmental Noise Hunting in VIRGO

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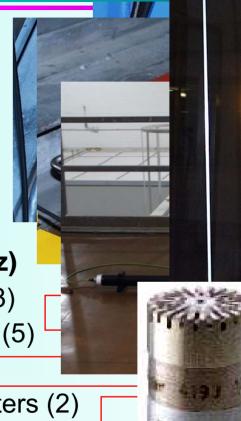
Available traps (short sensors' list)

Slow monitoring (f sample = 1Hz)

- temperature probes (160)
- humidity probes (11)
- pressure probes (11)
- weather station (1)
- lightning detector (1)

• Fast monitoring (50Hz < f sample < 20kHz)

- vertical high frequency accelerometers (13)
- triaxial mid-low frequency accelerometers (5)
- triaxial low frequency velocimeter (1)
- horizontal very low frequency accelerometers (2)
- broadband magnetometers (9)
- broadband microphones (6)
- RF broadband antenna (1)
- Line monitoring probes (2)





Available weapons

Some useful tools



Two big coils, >40kg of copper each



Two loudspeakers with integrated 200W amplifier



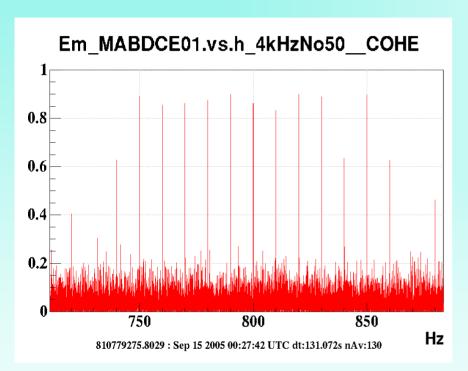


- Gathering information on unknown lines / noises
- Locate noise sources; if necessary, go into the lab with portable equipment (spectrum analyser + Hall probe, seismometer, microphone ...).
- Attempting to identify the physical path used by the signal entering the interferometer
- Record and post a library of results



Example #1 (magnetic)

Lines Identification tools see 10 Hz signal in C6 and C7 data



What are these lines appearing every 0.1s?

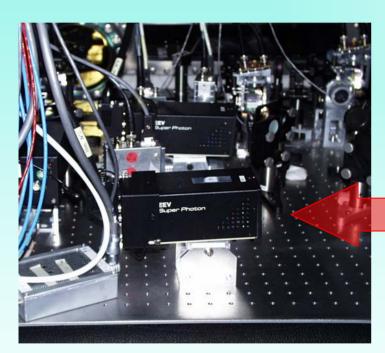
Going into central building with a Hall Probe







Very strong emission from Crate 56 in DAQ room, with connections to Laser Lab cameras (ext. injection bench)

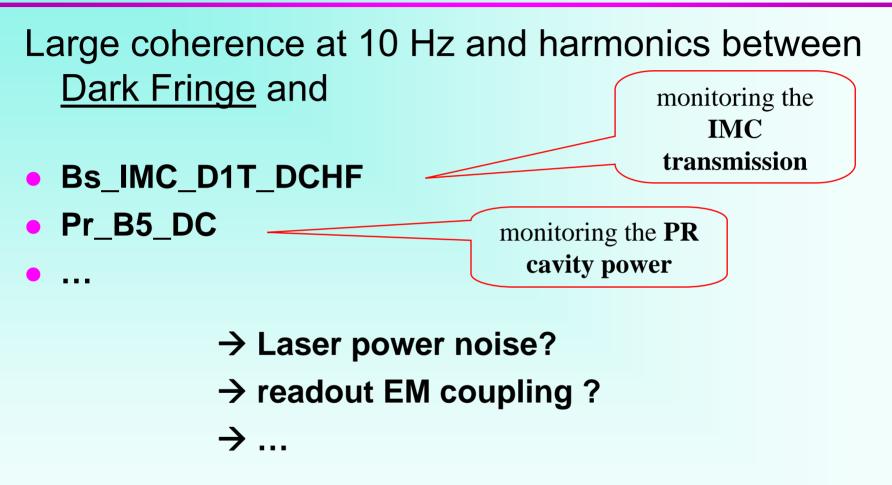




Digital cameras looking at the beam, driven by the timing system, are located on <u>all optical benches</u>.



10 Hz - possible paths

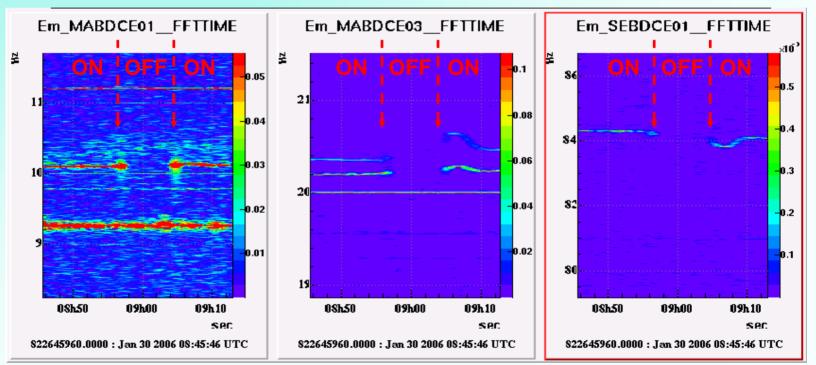


Further analysis is scheduled



see:

While hunting the 10 Hz, also found source of strong line at 10.1 Hz: the Air Conditioning Unit in DAQ room



http://www.cascina.virgo.infn.it/DataAnalysis/Noise/EnvStudies/buildingCENTRAL/AirCond_DAQ/AA_logbook_30jan06.txt

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Magnetic noise coupling into DF

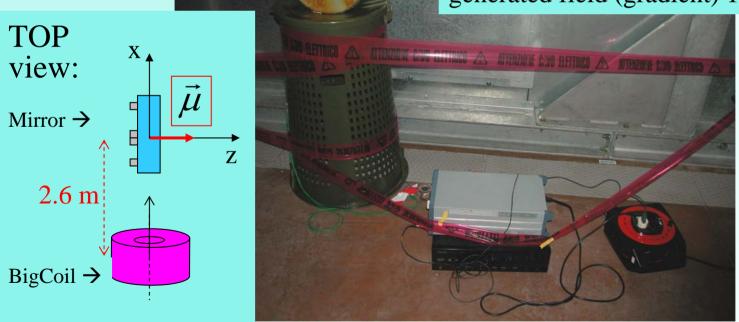
During C7 run we tried to evaluate the transfer function between an external magnetic field and mirror's magnetic

actuators

sinusoidal voltage: 560 Vpp

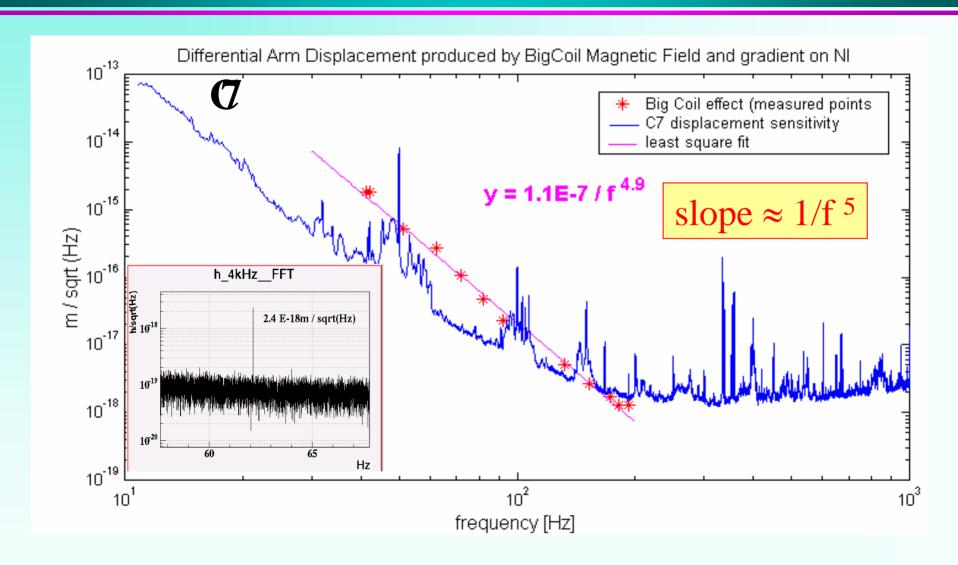
adjustable frequency: 40 Hz to 200 Hz

generated field (gradient) 10 - 100 nT (nT/m)



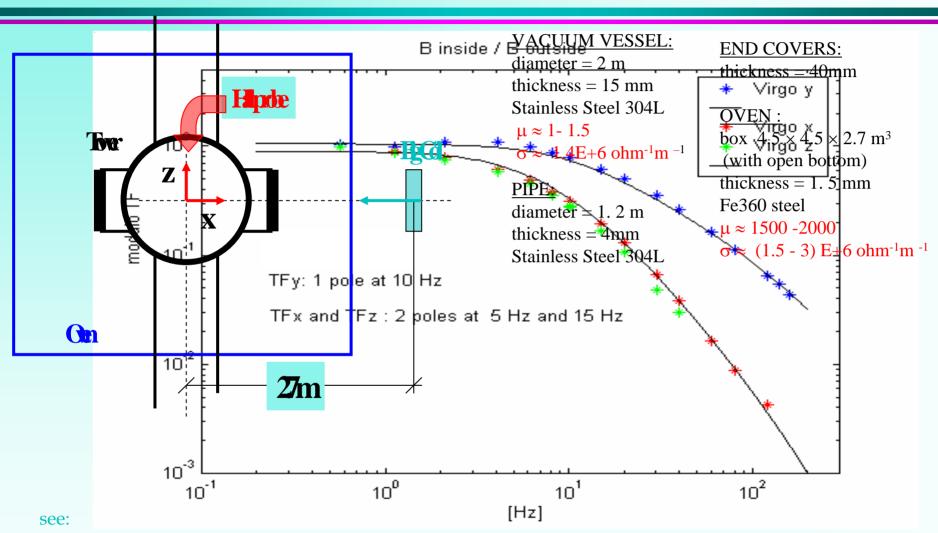


Frequency dependence





Tower+Oven shielding properties



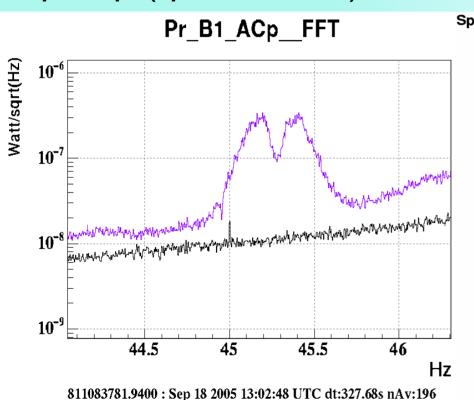
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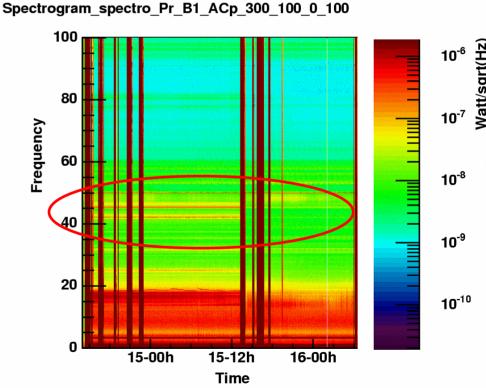
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Example #2 (seismic)

45 Hz "horns" appeared in the C7 dark fringe channel, then vanished when Injection Bench turbo pump (rpm=36000) was turned off





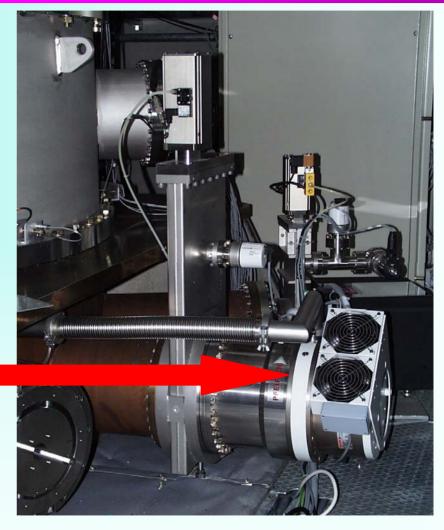




we use a portable accelerometer



source is two small cooling fans on vacuum turbo pumps



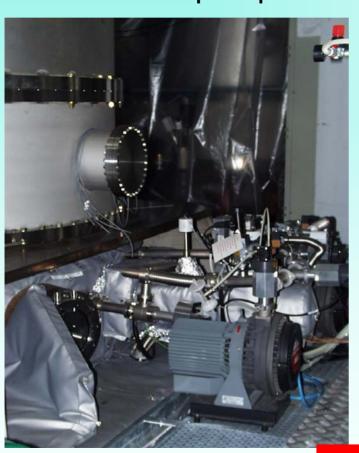
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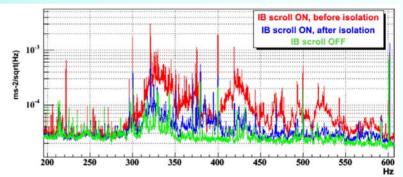


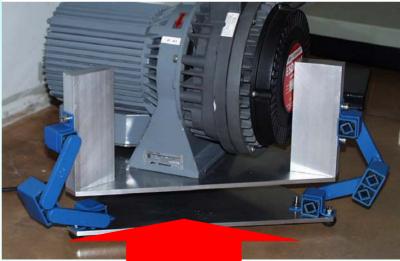
Scroll pumps

We observed similar coupling effect with scroll pumps



An isolating system is under evaluation







Example #3 (acoustic/seismic)

C7 lines at 31.6 and 31.9 Hz seen in coherence catalogue

 31.6 Hz correlation between dark fringe and

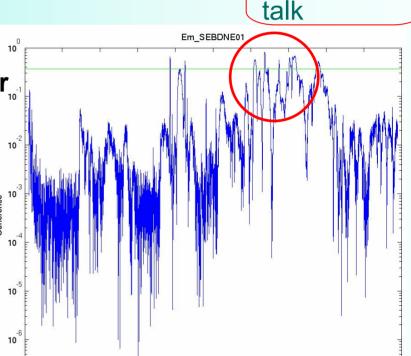
◆ north end microphone

north end vertical accelerometer (ext. detection bench)

 31.9 Hz correlation between dark fringe and

♦ <u>west end</u> microphone

west end vertical accelerometer (ext. detection bench)



Frequency (Hz)

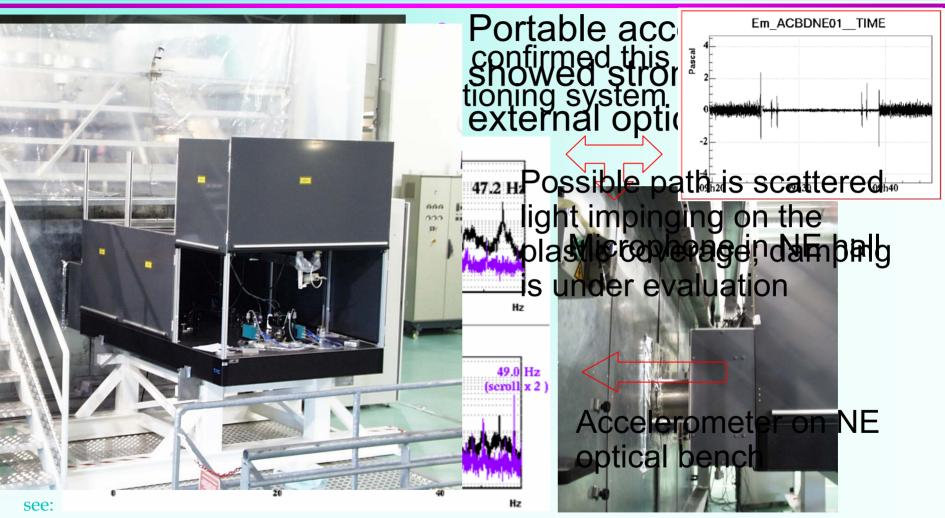
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http://www.cascina.virgo.infn.it/DataAnalysis/Noise/doc/C7/coherence/webpage/catalogue.html

see Elena's



Visit to the north end station

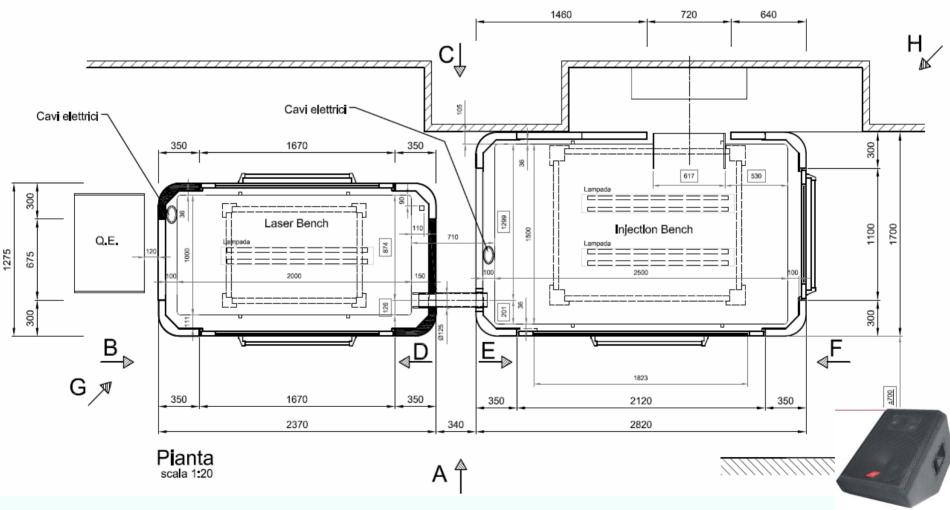


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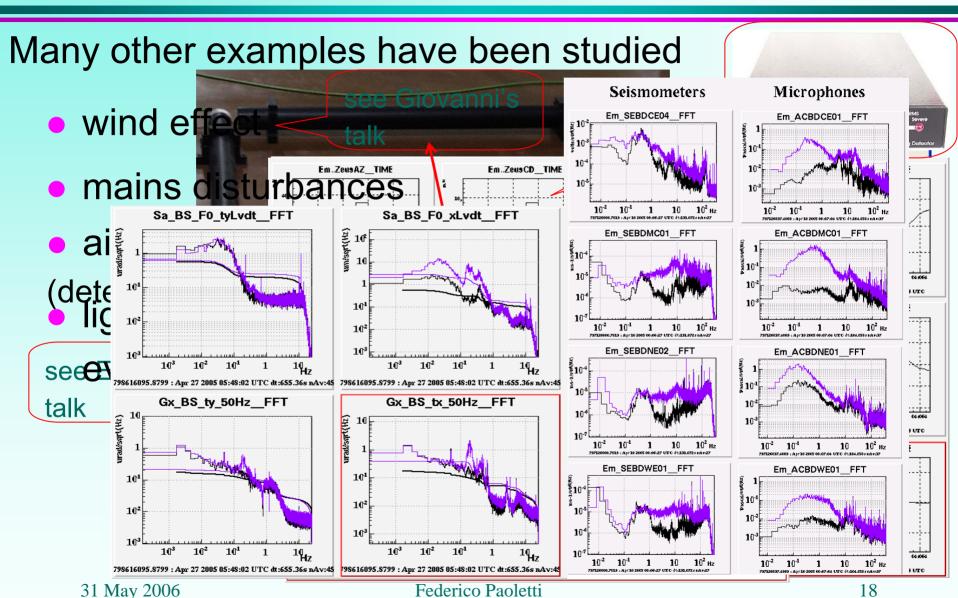
Example #4 (acoustic tests)

Acoustic isolation of optical benches is scheduled





Other signals





Conclusions

 We started understanding the most obvious environmental disturbances which can interfere in the Virgo operation

but ...

 As sensitivity increase, noise investigations become more important and more difficult:

it's a *never-ending* story

and ...

 Environmental Noise Groups must be always on "red alert" condition, ready for the next problem

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