

Advanced Virgo

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Virgo Collaboration : the cloud



The Virgo Antenna at Cascina : EGO site



GW sources : working groups

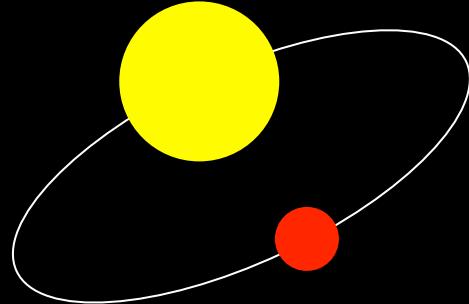
- 1) Compact Binary Coalescences
 - Neutron Stars
 - Black Holes (stellar class)
- 2) Bursts
 - Supernovae
 - Cosmic strings cusps
 - GRBs
- 3) Continuous waves
 - targeted searches
 - all sky searches
 - modulated sources (binary pulsars)
- 4) Stochastic waves
 - Astrophysical foreground
 - Cosmological background

Example of Source of Gravitational Waves :

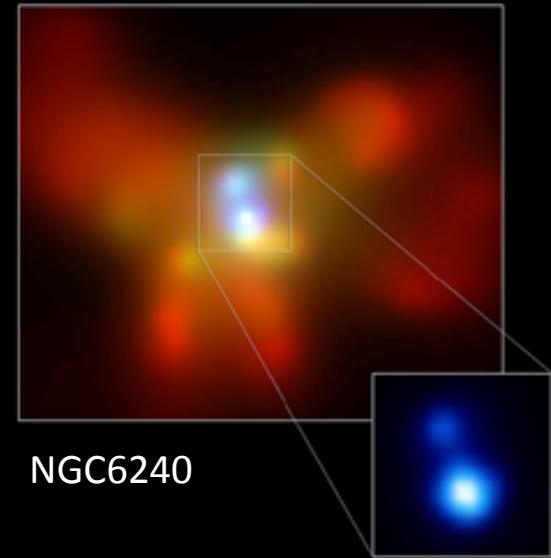
Compact Coalescing Binaries

NS-NS, BH-NS, BH-BH

Binary Neutron stars



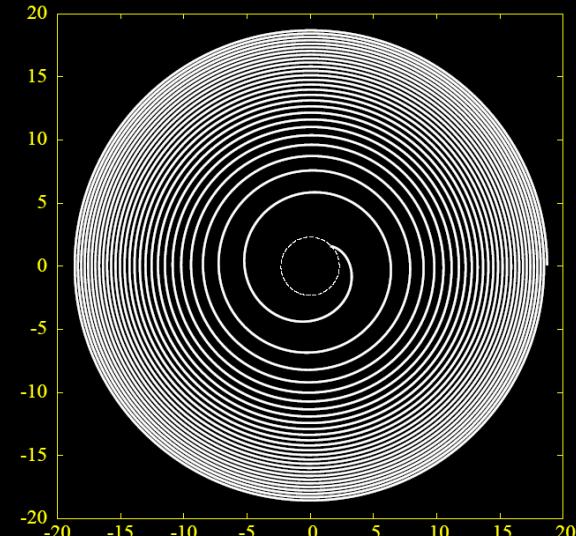
Binary
Black Holes



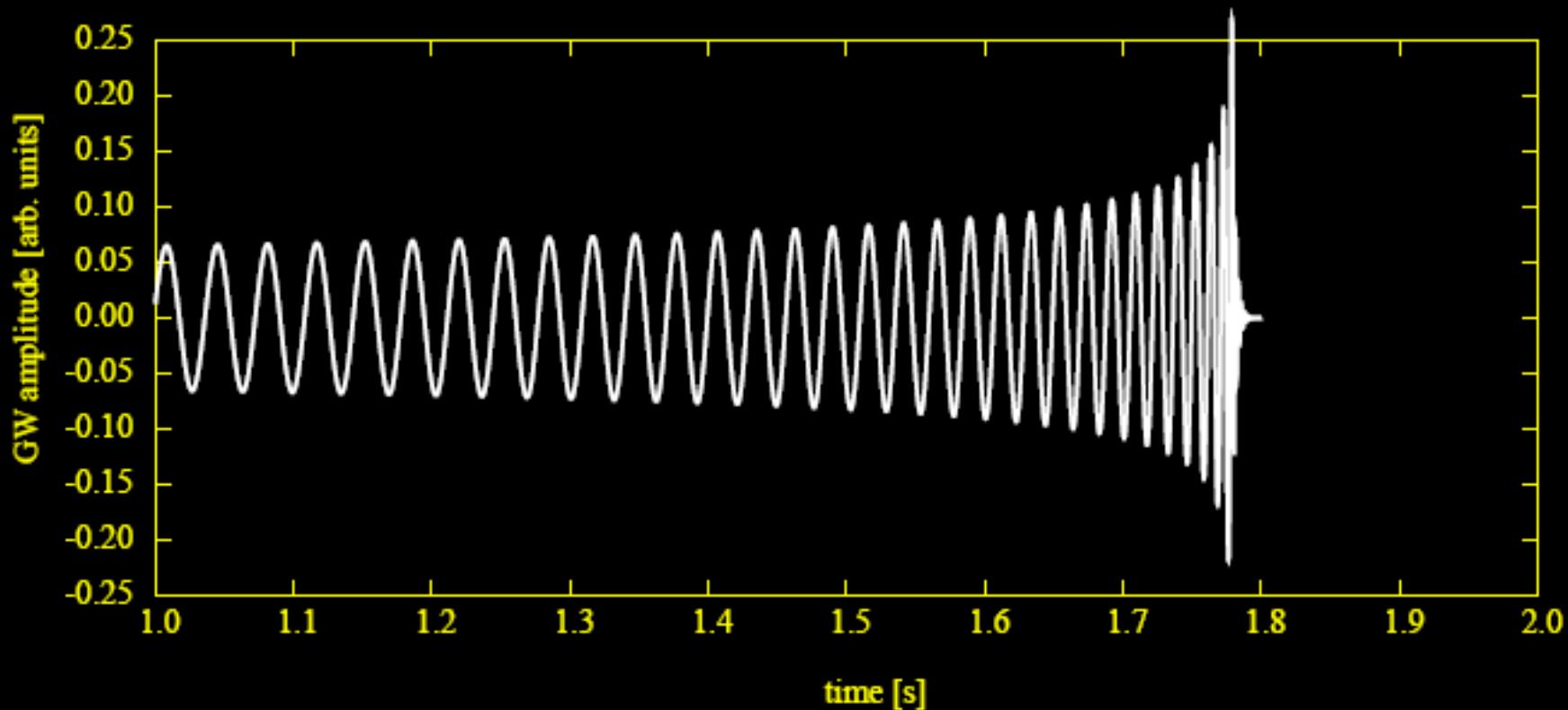
Radiation → Energy loss
→ Orbit shrinking →
Acceleration



End inspiral...



Signal received from the end inspiral
Of a 10 SM-10 SM binary black hole (EOB theory)

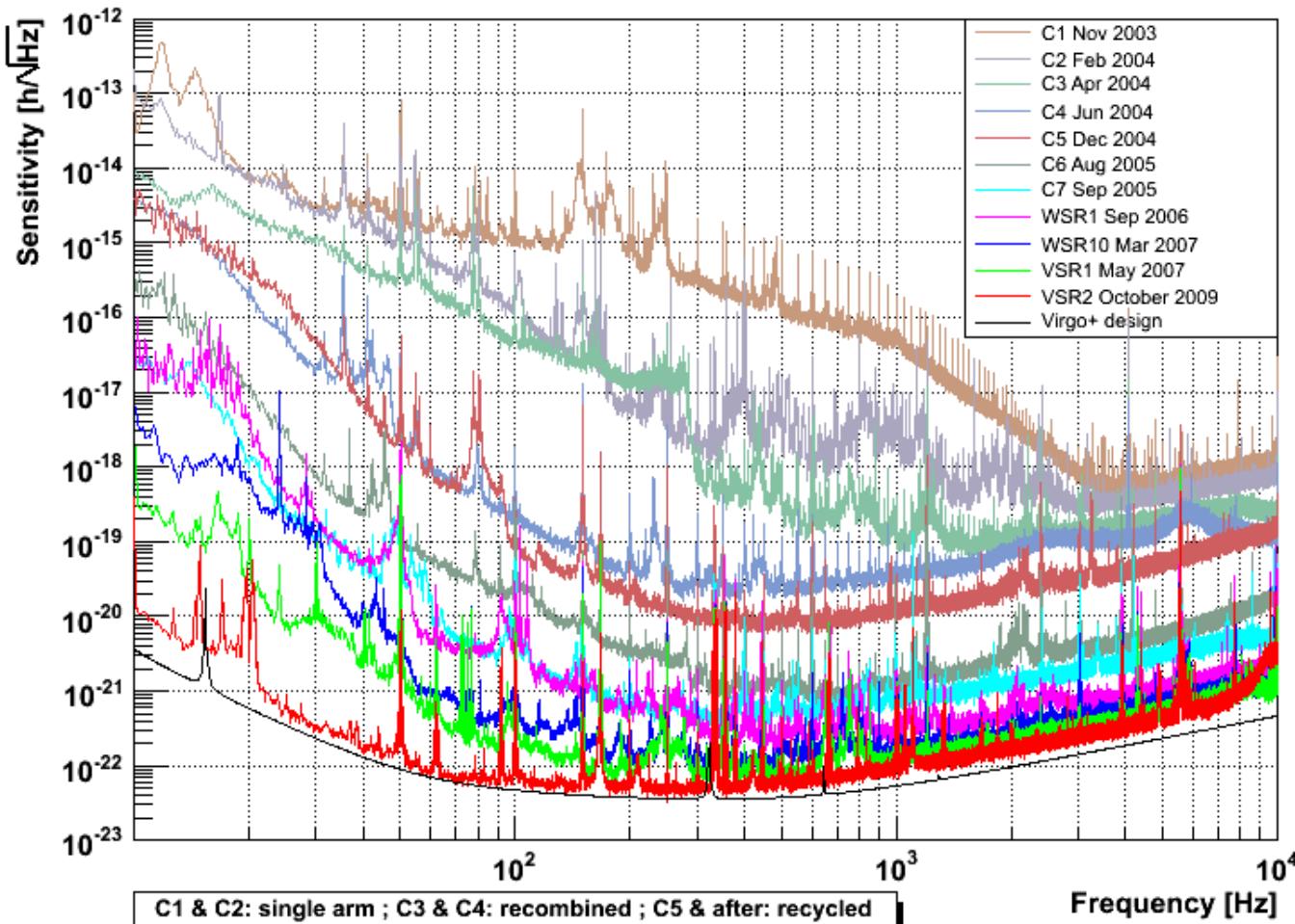


Science goals

- First direct detection of a GW, one century after General Relativity (1916 → 2016)
- Tests of GR in the strong field regime
- Astrophysics of binary systems (spin-orbit, spin-spin couplings)
- Equations of state of neutron stars (glitches in CW from pulsars, tidal effects during merging of BNS)
- Formation of black holes
- Stochastic background : Cosmology

Initial Virgo : 7 years of development, commissioning and technology improvements

$$h \sim [(10^{-44} \text{ Hz}^{-1}) \times (1 \text{ kHz})]^{1/2} \sim 3 \times 10^{-21}$$

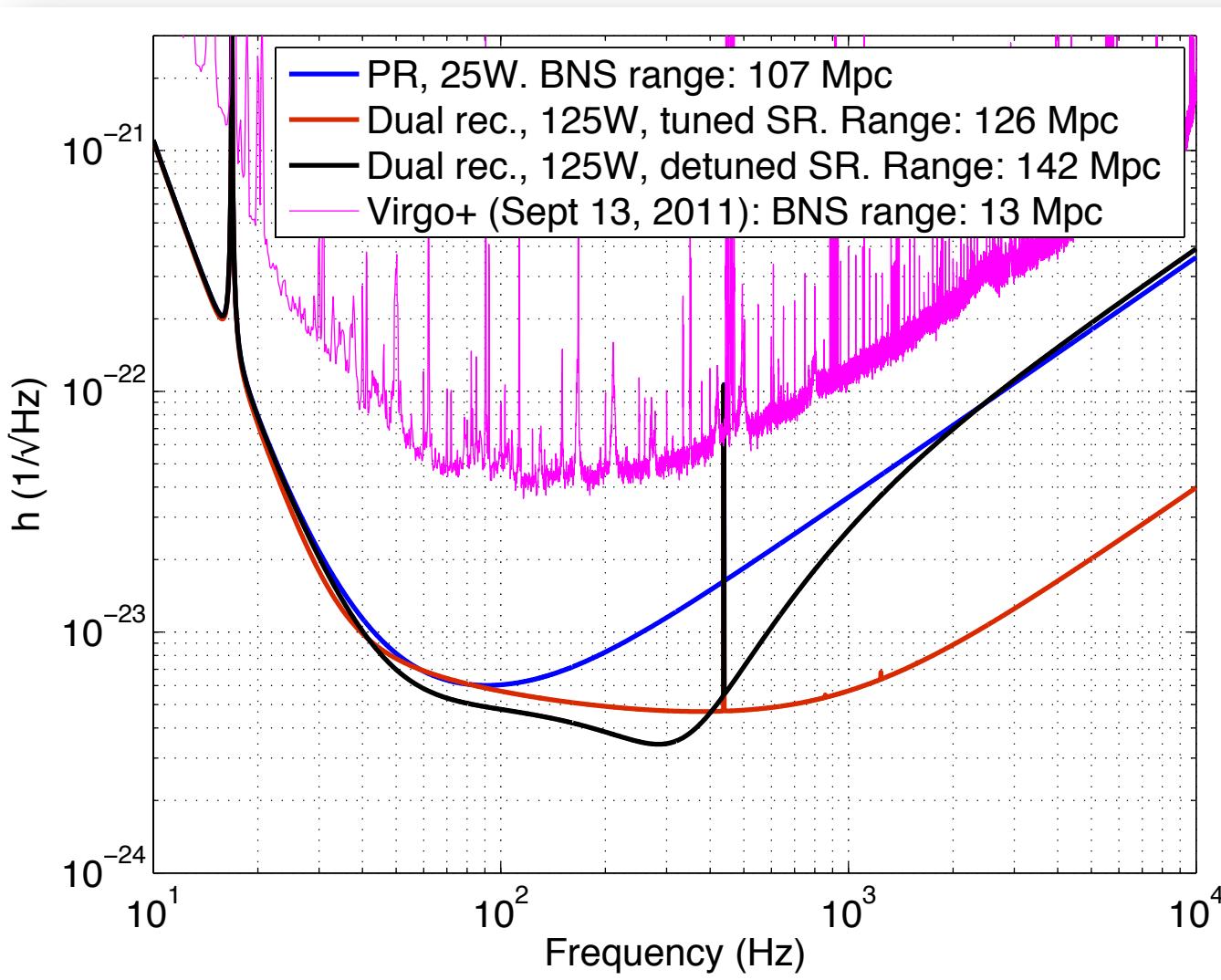


One order of magnitude missing...



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Planned sensitivity evolution

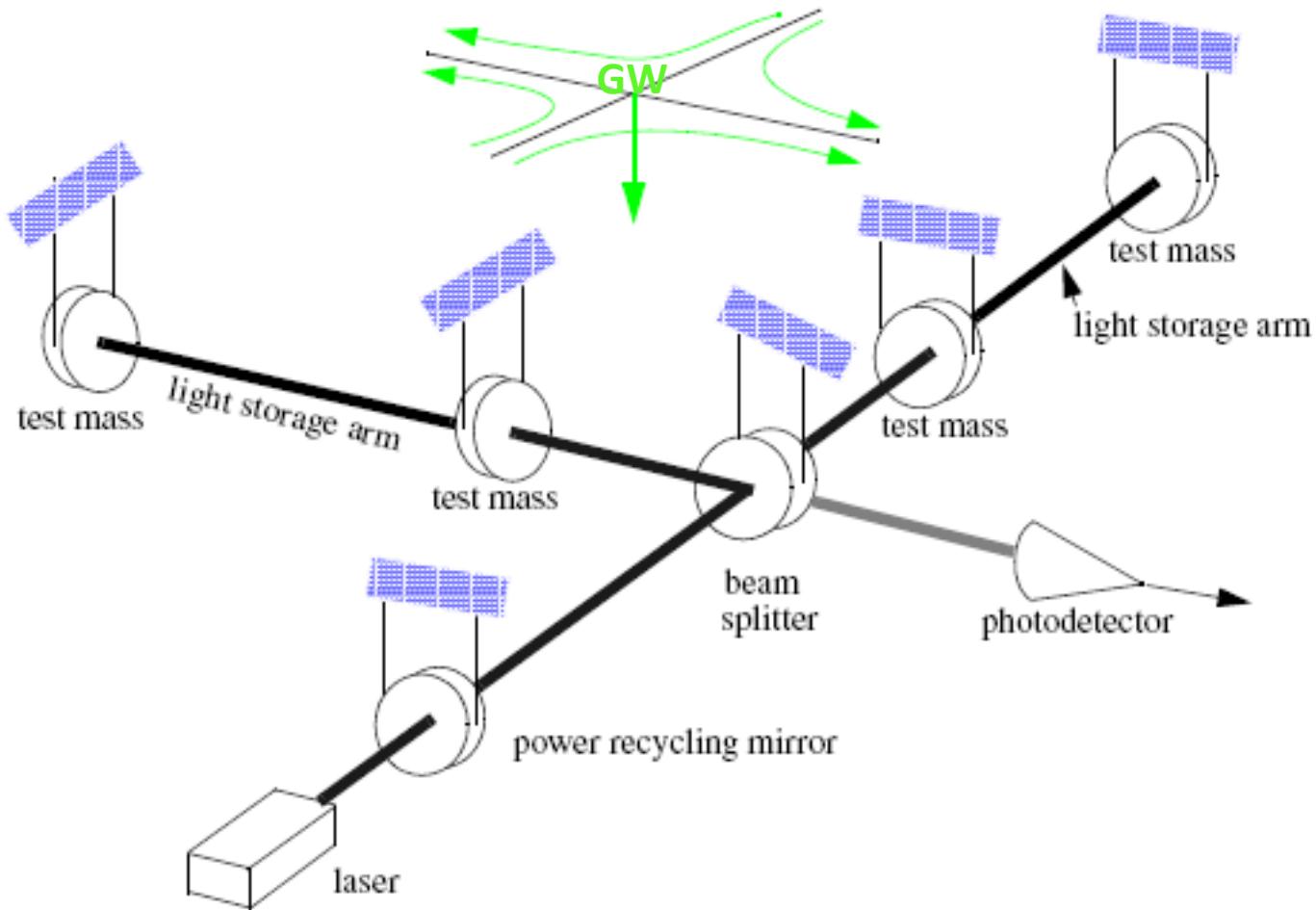


1 order of magnitude in h



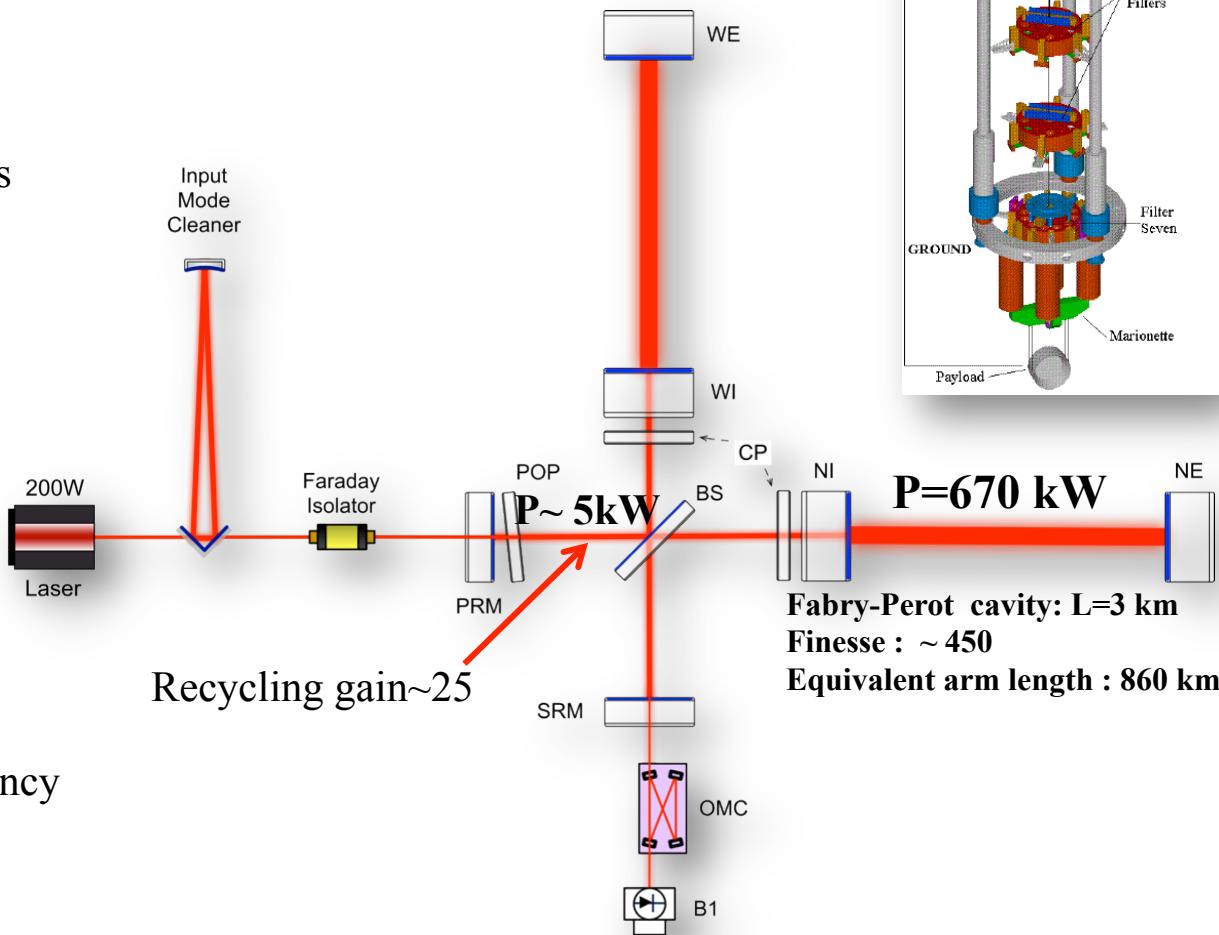
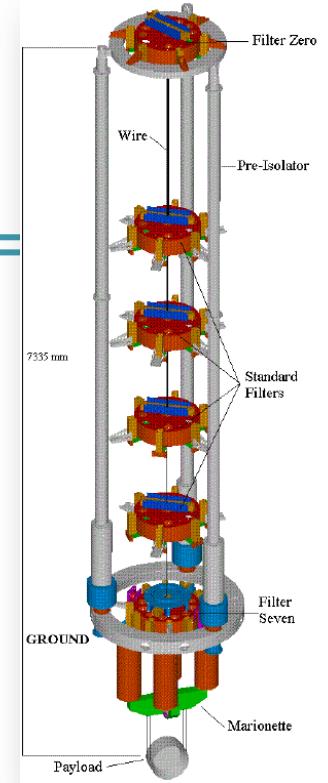
3 orders of mag. in probed volume of space

A generic GW interferometer



DETECTOR DESIGN

- MAIN CHANGES wrt Virgo
 - larger beam
 - heavier mirrors
 - higher quality optics
 - thermal control of aberrations
 - *200W fiber laser*
 - *signal recycling*



SHOT NOISE MITIGATION

Spectral sensitivity limited by the shot noise :

Possible improvements

$$S_h^{1/2}(f) = \frac{\lambda}{8\mathcal{F}L} \frac{1}{g} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{4\mathcal{F}Lf}{c} \right)^2} \sqrt{\frac{P_L}{h_P V}}$$

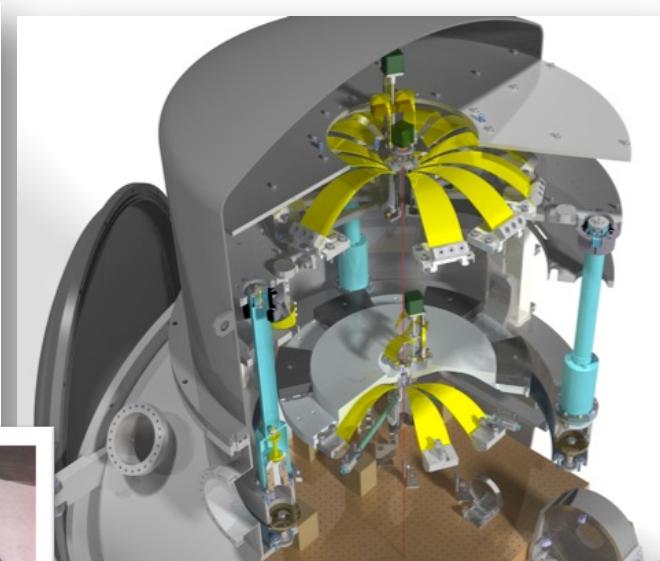
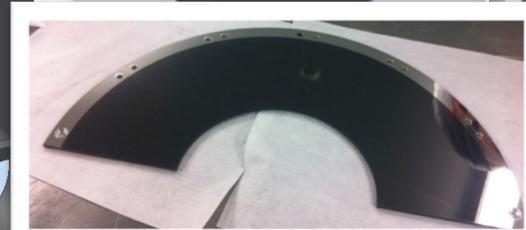
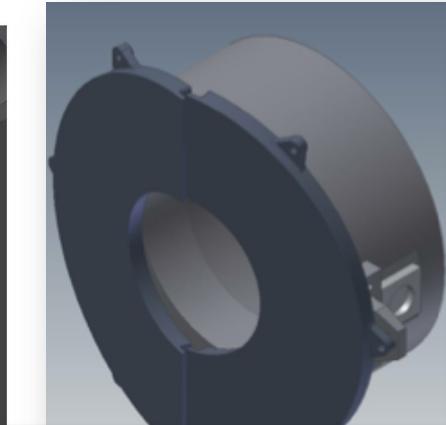
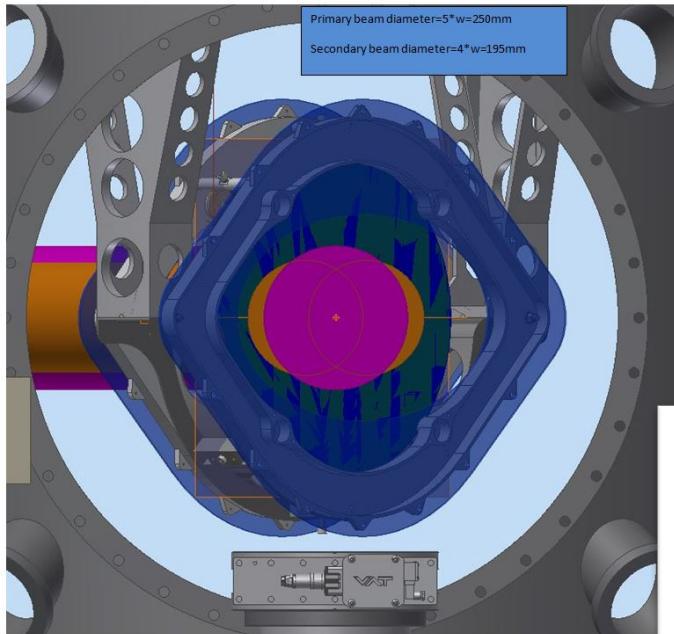
Annotations pointing to terms in the equation:

- Cavities finesse (points to \mathcal{F})
- Arm length (points to L)
- Recycling gain (points to g)
- Laser power (points to P_L)

For more details : <https://wwwcascina.virgo.infn.it/vpb/>

STRAY LIGHT MITIGATION

- Learned from 1st generation: scattered light is one of the major risks towards the final sensitivity goal
- Large investment to mitigate it
 - Better optics quality
 - Baffles to shield mirrors, pipes, vacuum chambers exposed to scattered light
 - Photodiodes suspended in vacuum to isolate them from acoustic/seismic noise
 - If required, control the position of the benches wrt the interferometer



HIGH QUALITY OPTICS

- Mirrors may limit the sensitivity in a wide frequency range...

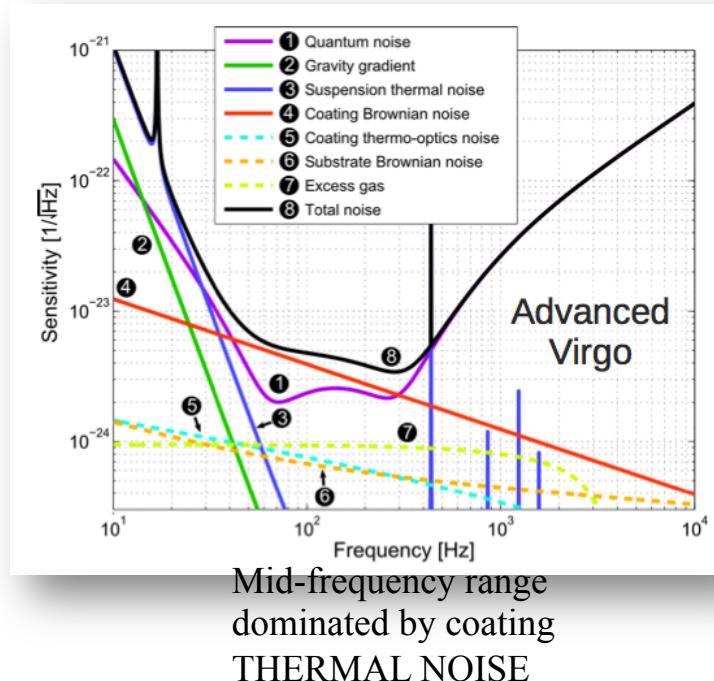
RADIATION PRESSURE
and SUSPENSION THERMAL
noises depend on mirror mass

Scattered light from
flatness/roughness

Thermal noise
from mirrors

$$S_x^{1/2}(f) = \frac{4k_B T}{2\pi f} \Phi \frac{1-\sigma^2}{\sqrt{\pi} Y_w}$$

(BHV, 1998)



Mirror geometry/flatness
may change the optical
gain and, thus, the
SHOT NOISE

Aberrations depend on
coating absorption (thermal
lensing) and substrate
inomogeneity

- REQUIREMENTS: large mass/diameter, good flatness/roughness, low absorption, good homogeneity, good coating uniformity, high Q

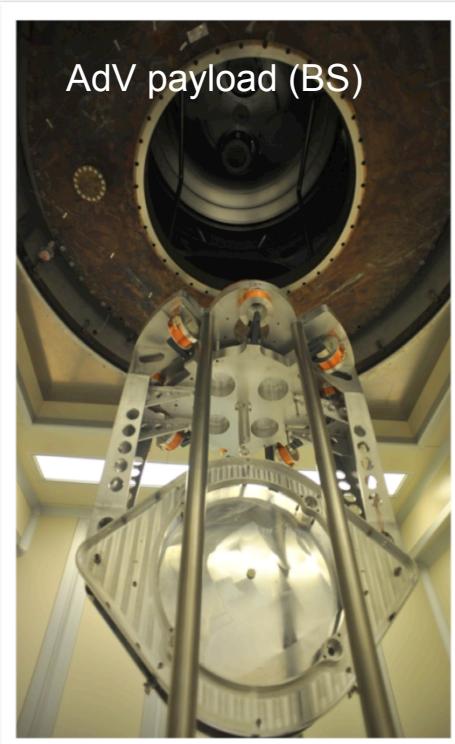
HIGH QUALITY OPTICS

- Large test masses: 35cm diameter, 20cm thick, 42 kg
- New fused silica grade (Suprasil 3002):
 - **Better bulk absorption** (0.2 ppm/cm measured at LMA): better for thermal lensing
 - refractive index homogeneity <0.3 ppm on 200 mm CA
 - High quality factor $> 10^7$
- Polishing much improved: 0.2 nm rms on 160 mm diameter achieved
 - ion beam figuring
 - better metrology
- Coatings much improved, New metrology



PAYLOADS

- Use of larger mirrors plus need of baffles and compensation plates requires upgrading the payloads
- Test masses suspended with silica fibers (as in Virgo+)
- The silica-steel interface at the level of the upper stage will be improved

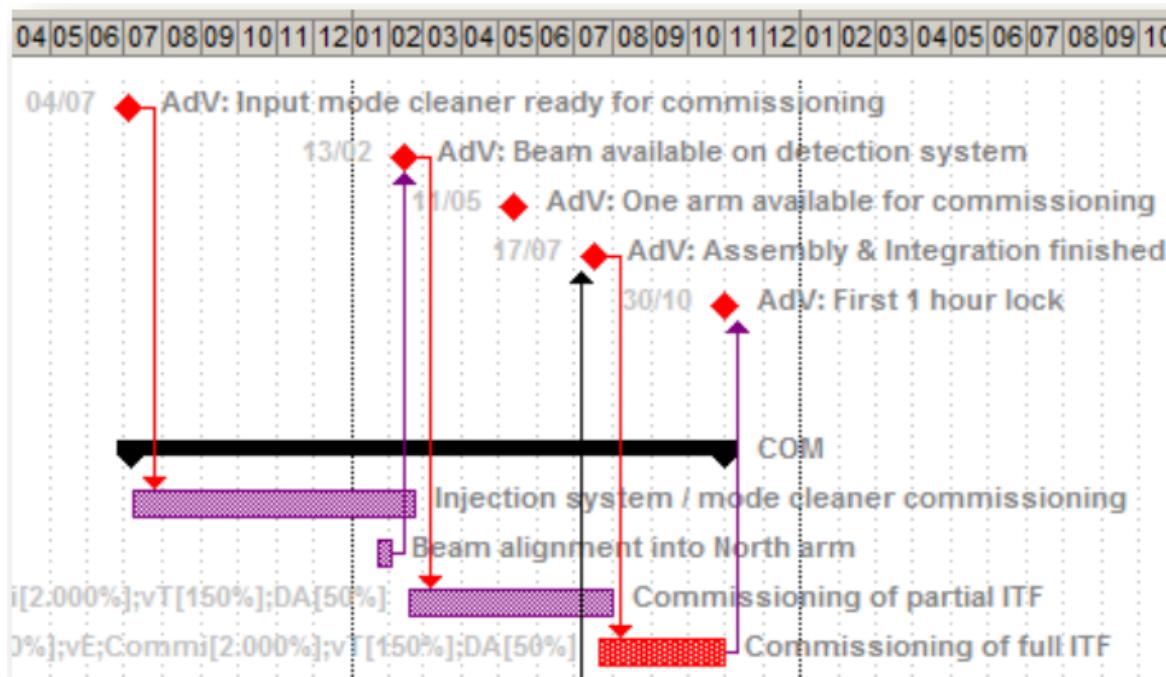


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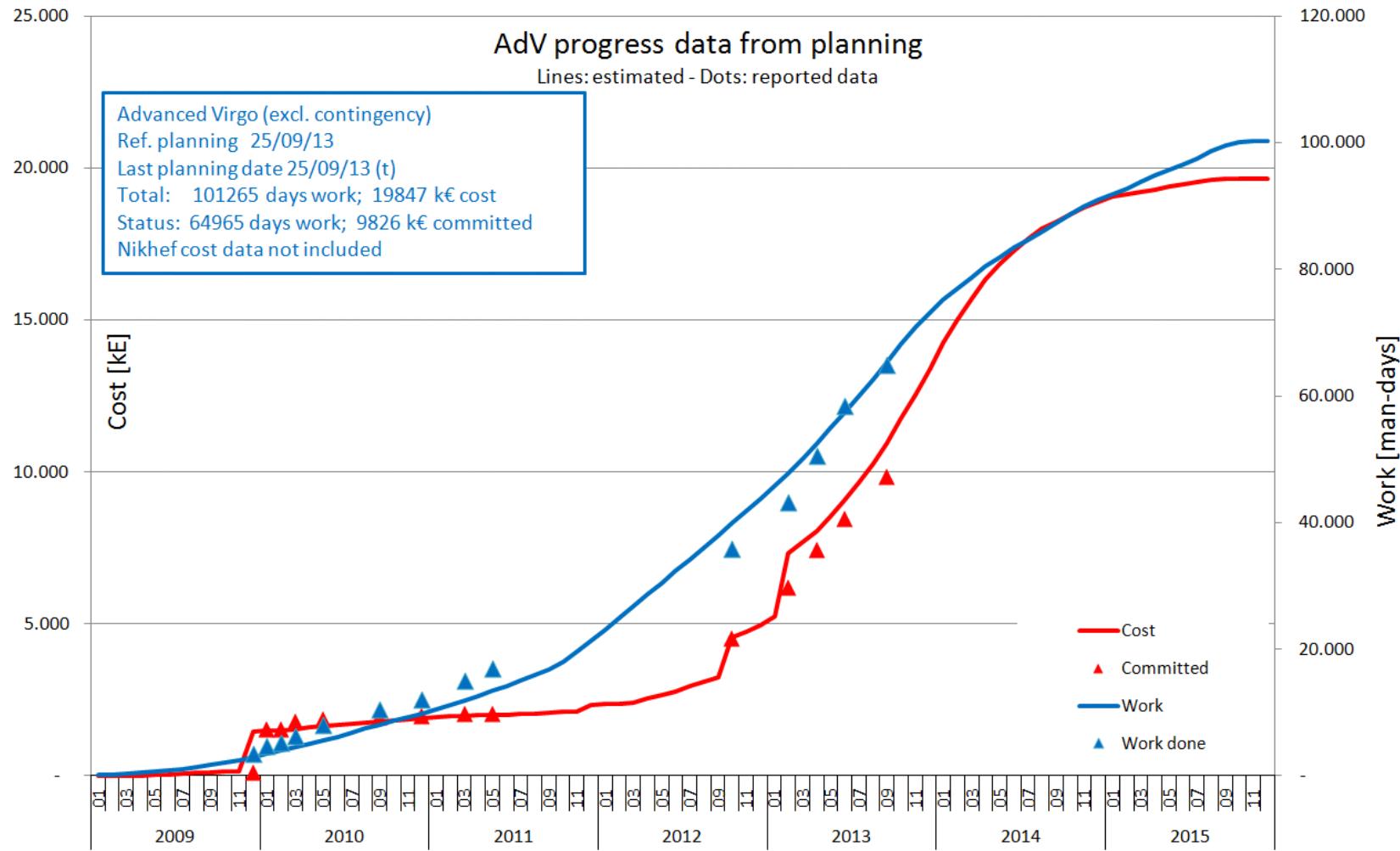


STATUS AND PLANS

- ~50% of budget committed so far
- Infrastructure works complete in Oct '13: equipment installation starts
- Early commissioning to start next year (input mode cleaner)
- End of installation/integration: fall 2015



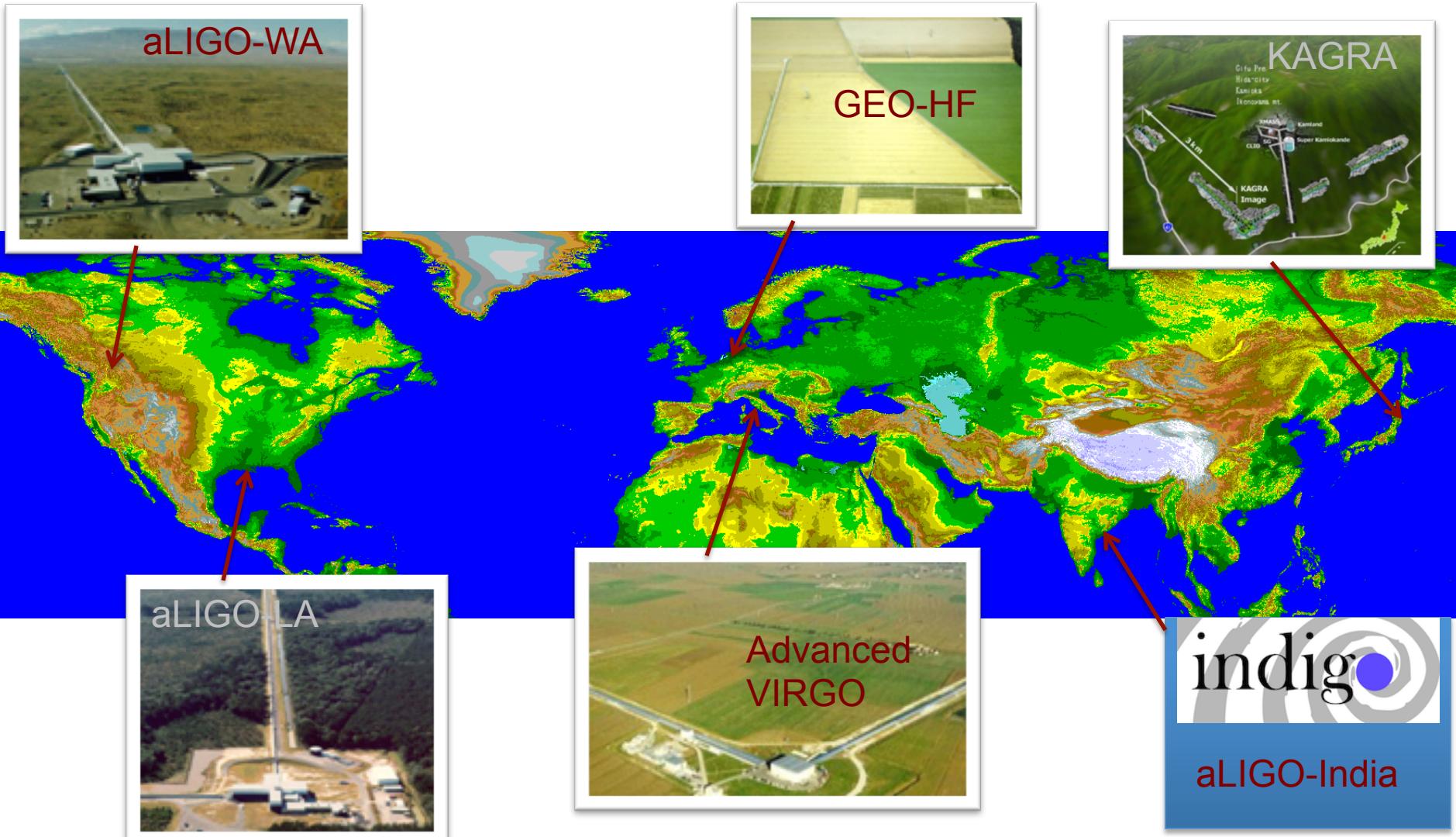
PROGRESS



Networking

- Agreement with LIGO for common Data Analysis
- Sharing the data
- Common use of computing centers
 - CCIN2P3 (Lyon)
 - CNAF (Bologna)
 - NIKHEF (Amsterdam)
 - AEI cluster (Potsdam)
 - USA
- Three-dimensional data for coherent analysis
(Livingston,Hanford,Virgo) → sky cell localization
- Virgo ~ one year late behind LIGO ☺ try to keep the rythm...

2nd GENERATION NETWORK



EM follow-up Program

Look for Counterparts to the GW events in the EM spectrum

- Studies of a policy of agreements with astronomy teams (Boston, February)
- Meeting at ESO (Garching, March) EGO-Virgo + ESO Directorate
- Call for letters of interest (July)
- Meeting in Europe (Amsterdam, August) ~ 50 attendees
- Meeting in the USA (Chicago, September) ~ 60 attendees
- Actual interest of the A&A community for a new astronomy
- Preparation of a template Memorandum

SUMMARY

- Advanced Virgo construction now well on track
- Start with simplified configuration (>100 Mpc BNS inspiral range) to speed up the commissioning → data taking transition
- Goal: first science data in 2016

