



# Generating time domain strain data ( $h(t)$ ) for the ALLEGRO resonant detector *or* calibration of ALLEGRO data

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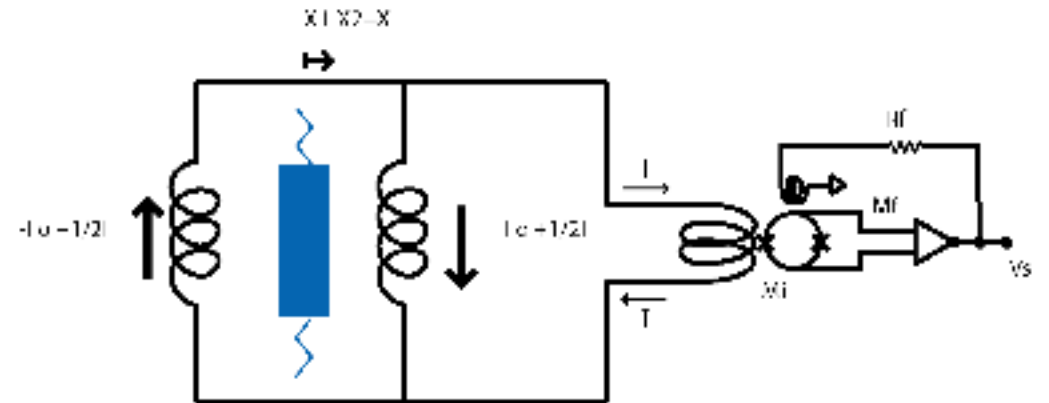
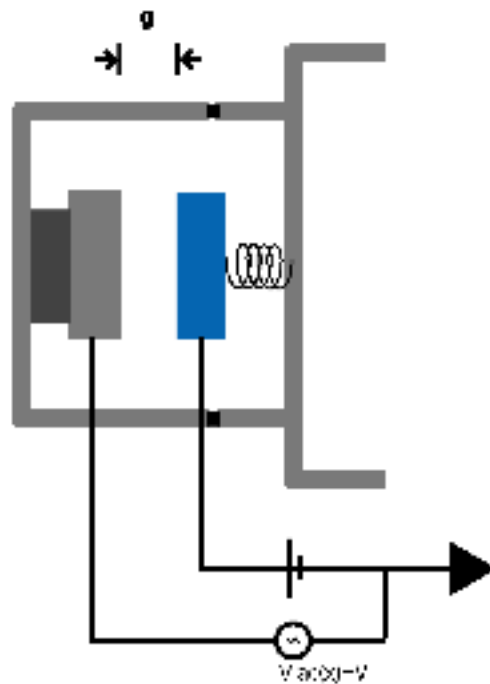
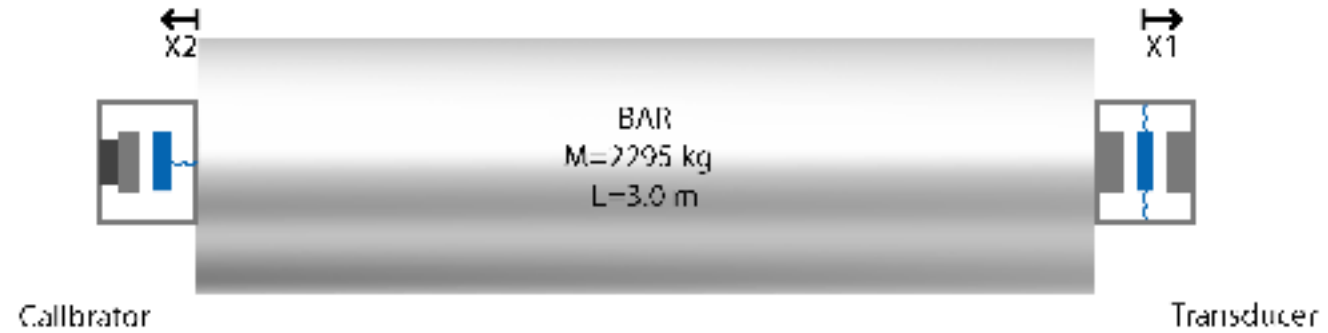
# Motivation

- LSC stochastic background analysis using S2 data from ALLEGRO and LIGO Livingston (see John Whelan's talk later today)
- Unlike an event list based search, a coherent search such as this requires a phase consistent response function for the detector signal path



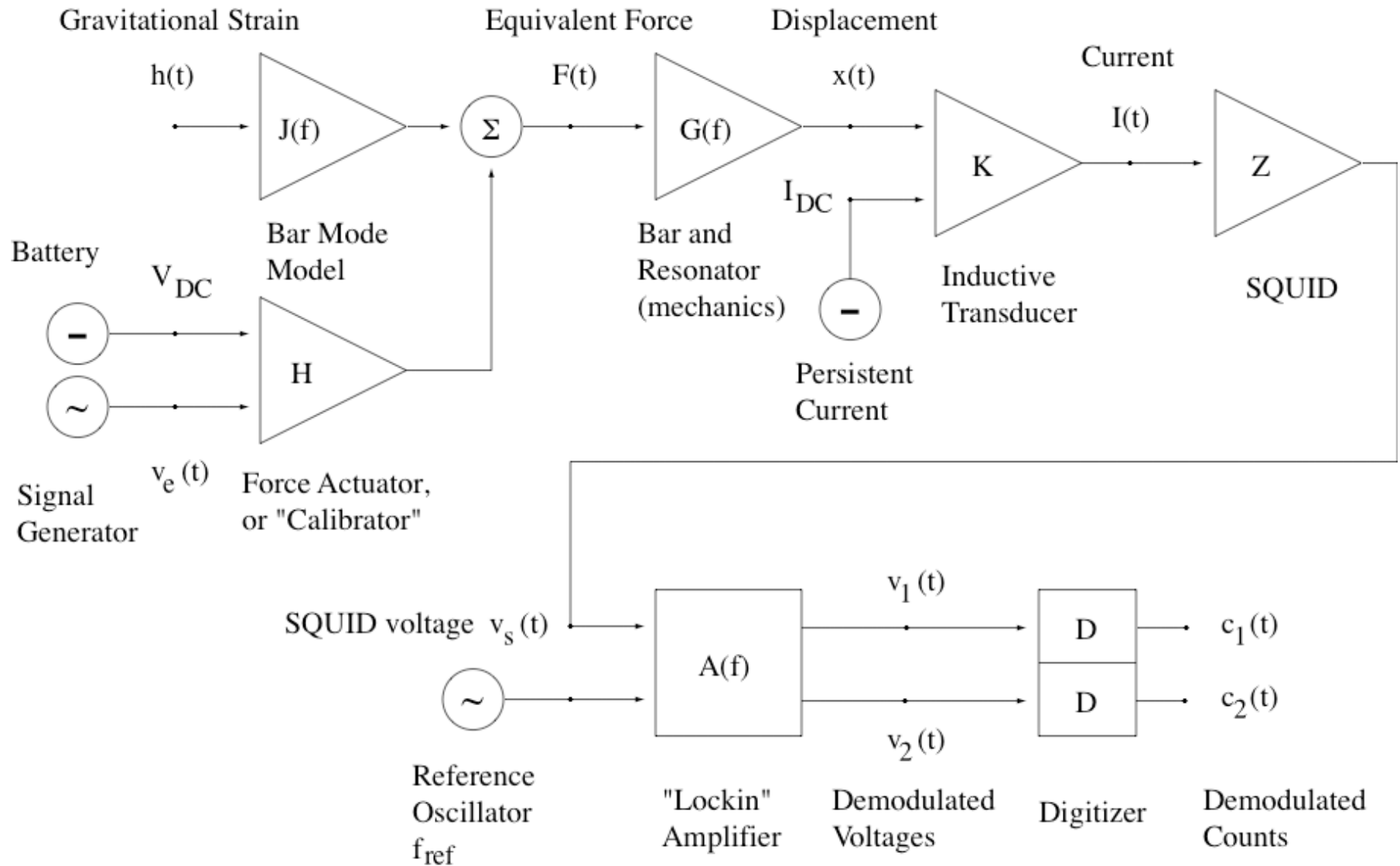
# ALLEGRO schematic

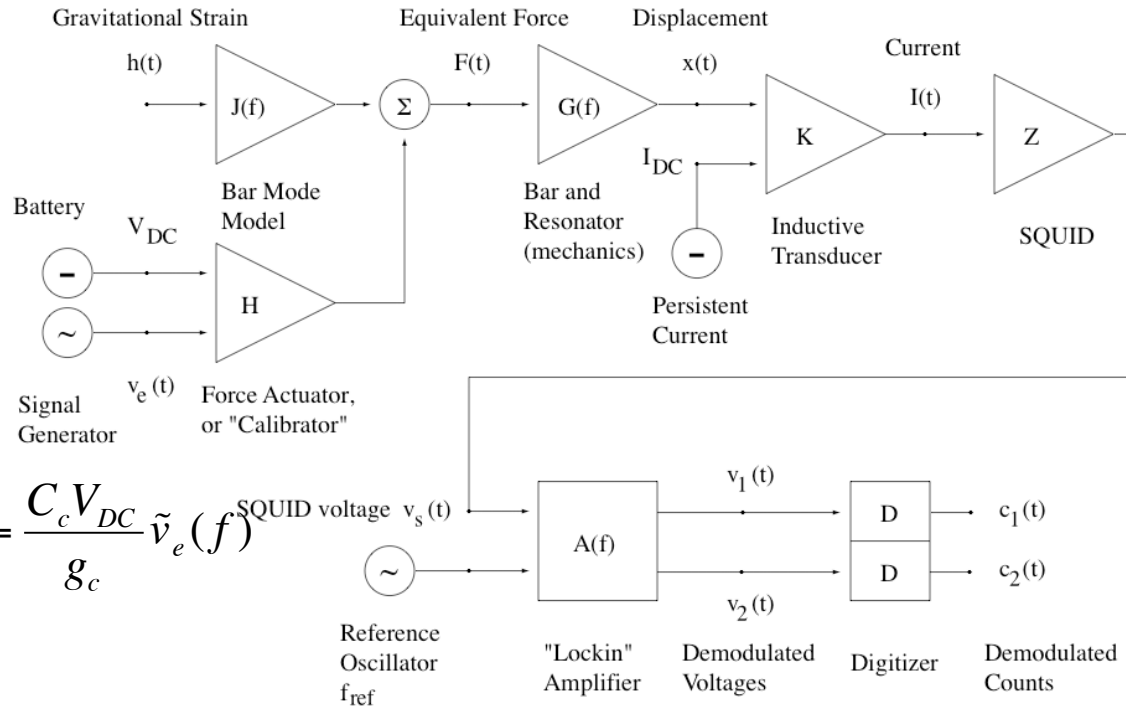
ALLEGRO  
Physical and Electrical schematic





# Signal path





$$\tilde{F}_C(f) = H\tilde{v}_e(f) = \frac{C_c V_{DC}}{g_c} \tilde{v}_e(f)$$

## Form of each Transfer Function

$$\tilde{I}(f) = K \cdot \tilde{x}(f) = \left( \frac{I_{DC}}{g} \right) \tilde{x}(f)$$

$$\tilde{F}(f) = J(f)\tilde{h}(f) = 4MLf^2\tilde{h}(f)$$

$$\tilde{v}_S(f) = Z \cdot \tilde{I}(f)$$

$$\tilde{x}(f) = G(f)\tilde{F}(f)$$

$$\tilde{z}_v(f - f_r) = A(f)\tilde{v}_S(f) = a_L e^{i(t_d 2\pi(f - f_r))} e^{-i\phi} \tilde{v}_S(f)$$

$$= \alpha \left( \frac{1}{\left( f_p^2 - f^2 + \frac{if_p f}{Q_p} \right)} - \frac{1}{\left( f_m^2 - f^2 + \frac{if_m f}{Q_m} \right)} \right) \tilde{F}(f)$$

$$\tilde{z}_c(f - f_r) = D \cdot \tilde{z}_v(f - f_r)$$



So in practice the calibration amounts to --

$$\tilde{h}(f - f_r) = \frac{\tilde{z}_c(f - f_r)}{J(f)G(f)KZA(f - f_r)D}$$

Inverse fft then gives

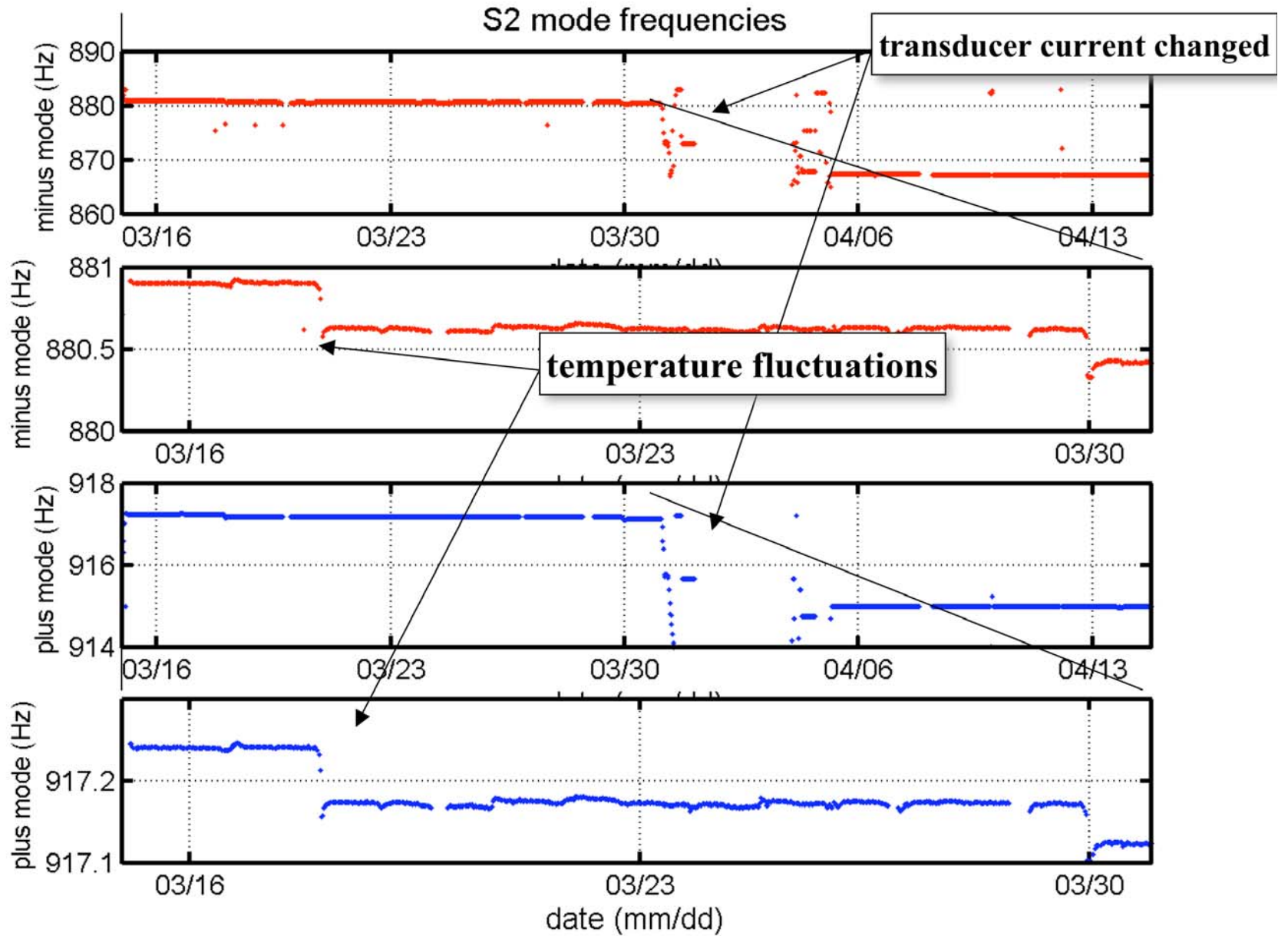
$h^H(t)$  complex heterodyned strain time series

Need to determine --

- Mode frequencies and Q's --  $f_m$ ,  $f_p$ ,  $Q_m$ ,  $Q_p$
- overall scale -- in practice we measure  $\alpha \cdot K \cdot Z$ 
  - $\alpha$  is mechanical gain -- includes 'tuning factor'
- Lock-in amplifier parameters -- gain, filter delay and phase shift
  - Also need to know the phase of the lock-in reference oscillator



## S2 data -- 2003

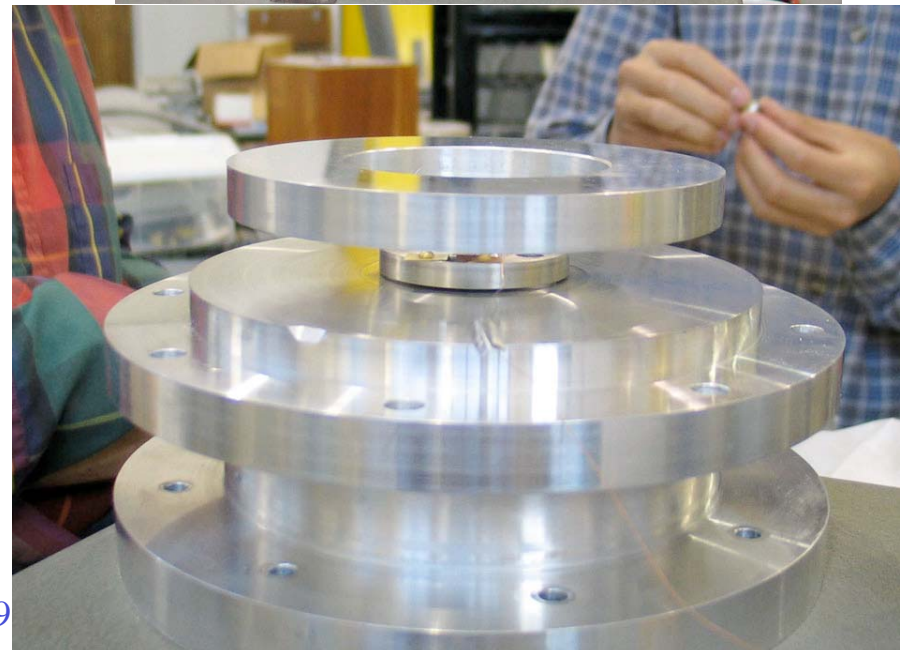
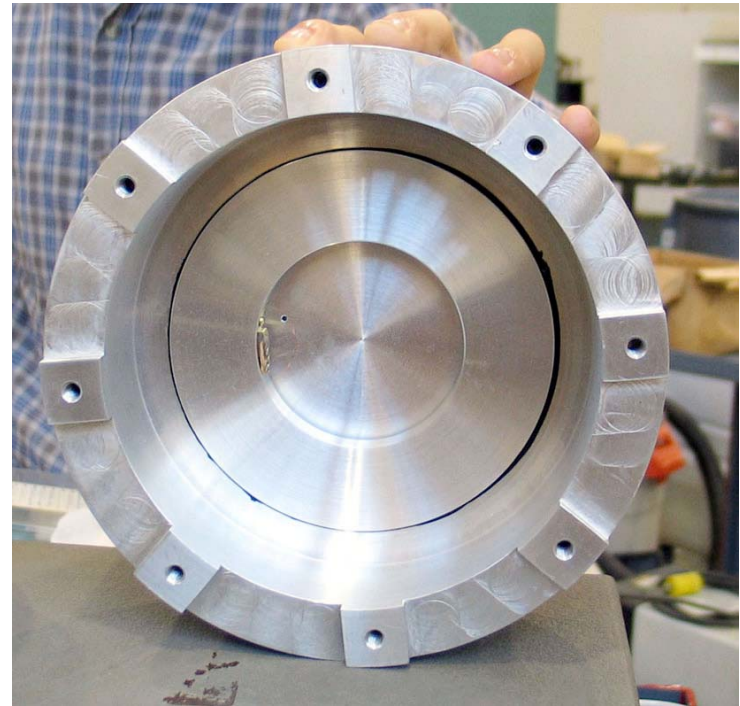






## New calibrator

- One plate of capacitor is tightly coupled to bar.
- Other plate is weakly coupled to the bar, so acts like a free mass.
- Both plates electrically isolated.





## The calibrator mounted on the bar



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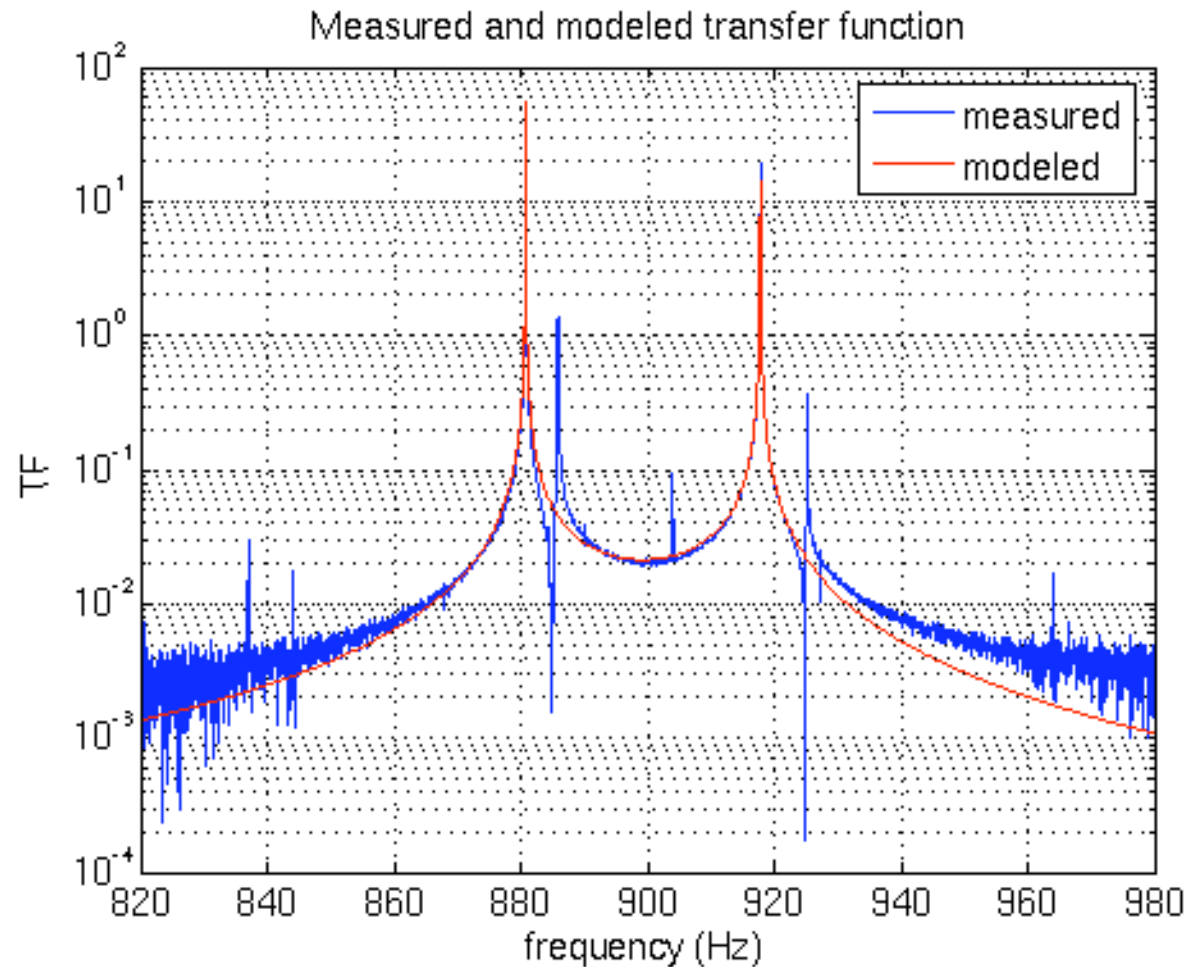


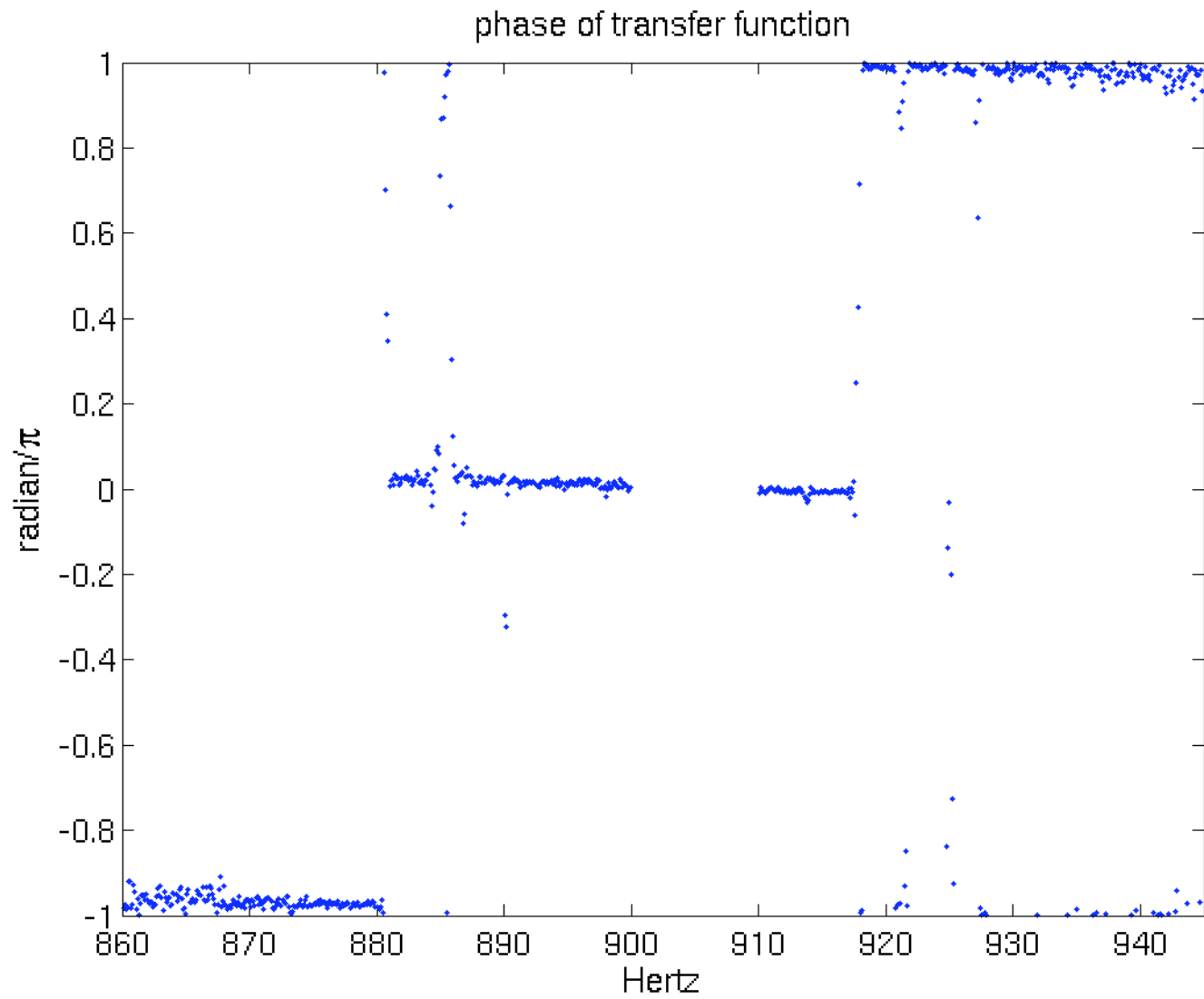
## Transfer function - white noise excitation to measured output

measurements from  
20 March 2004 --  
excitation measured  
through lock-in and  
A/D plotted here we  
have

$$TF = H \cdot G(f) \cdot K \cdot Z$$

gives us the overall  
scale -  $\alpha$





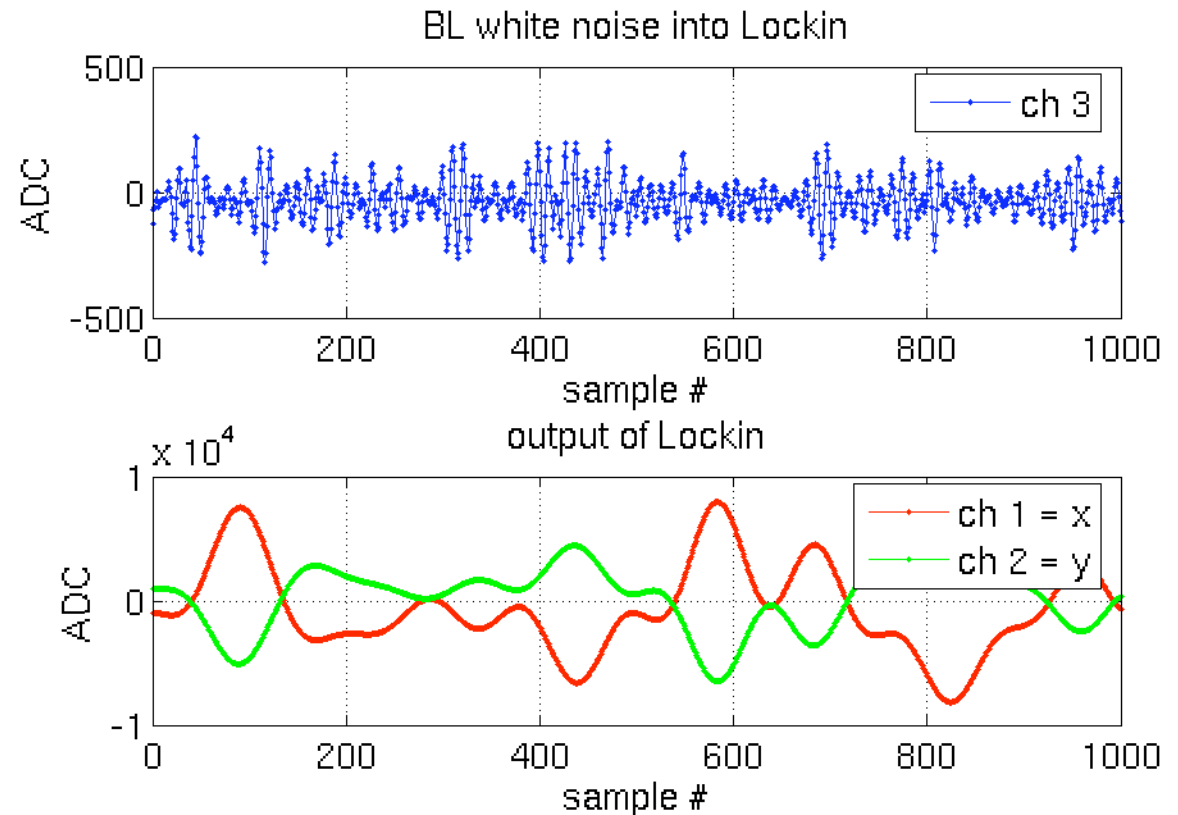
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## Lock-in measurements

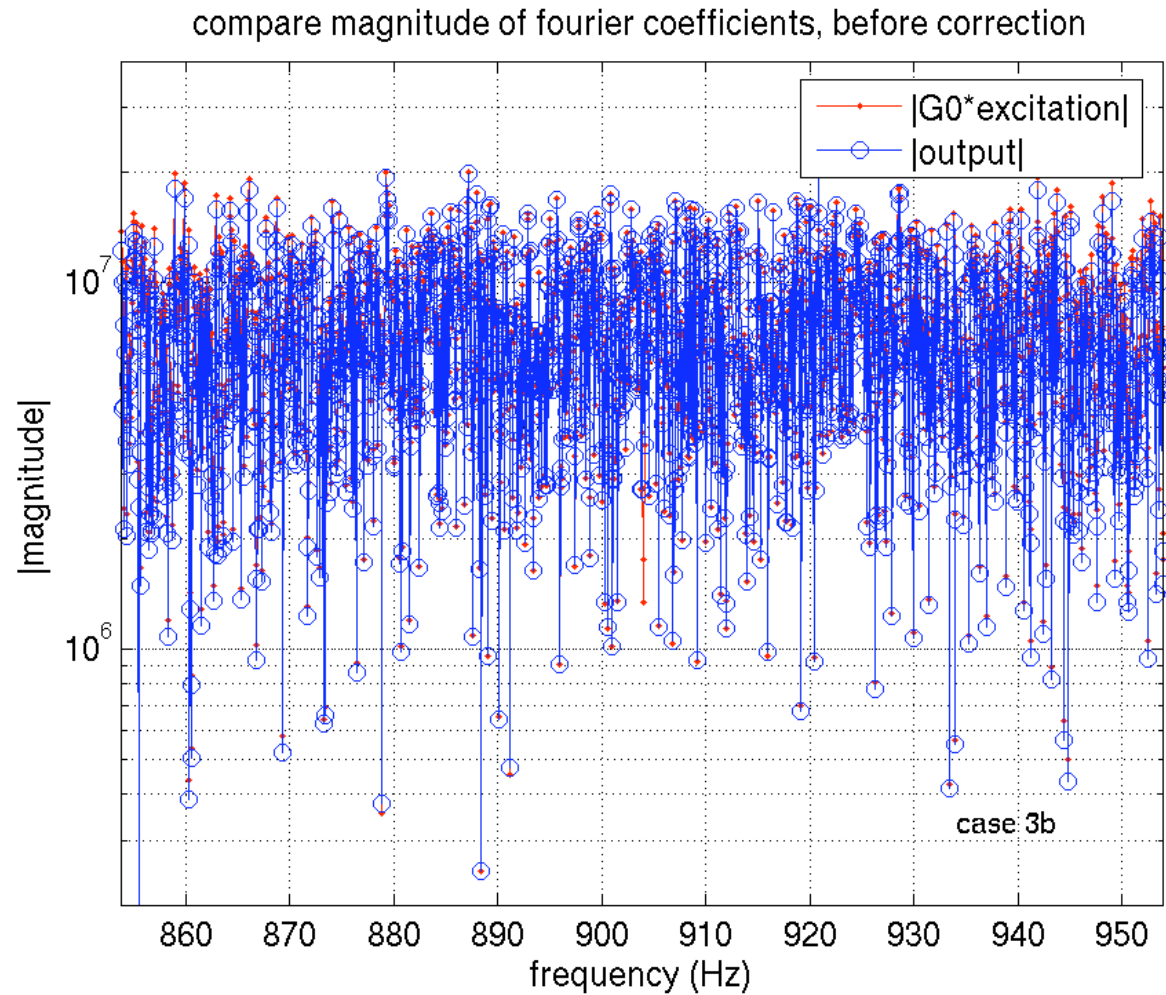
Band-limited  
white noise  
injection --  
recorded directly  
and through lock-  
in/anti-aliasing  
filters

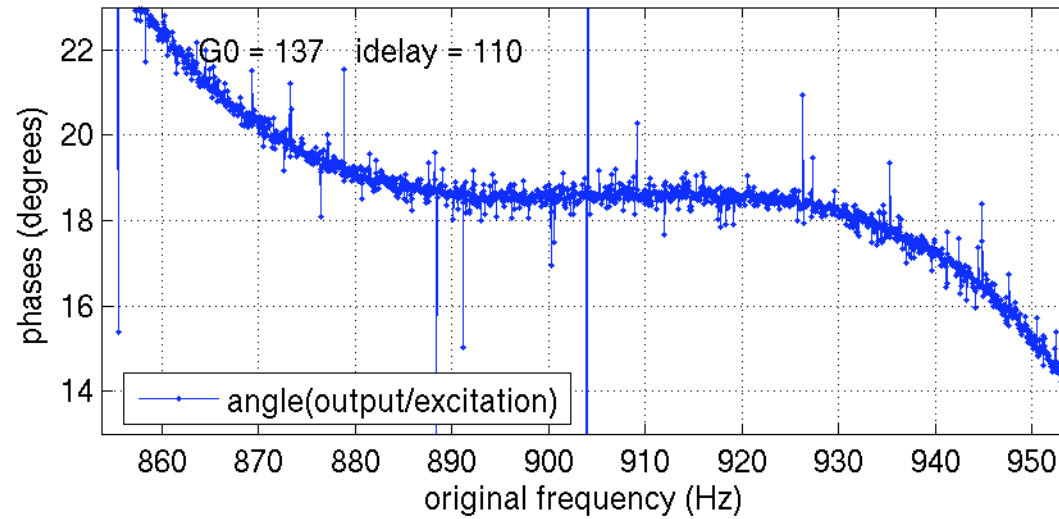
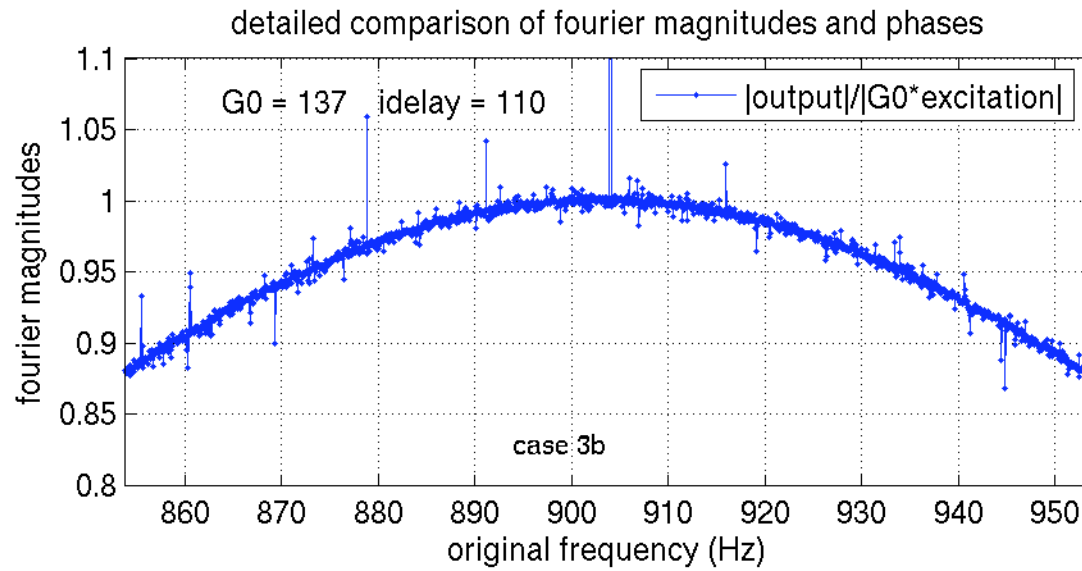


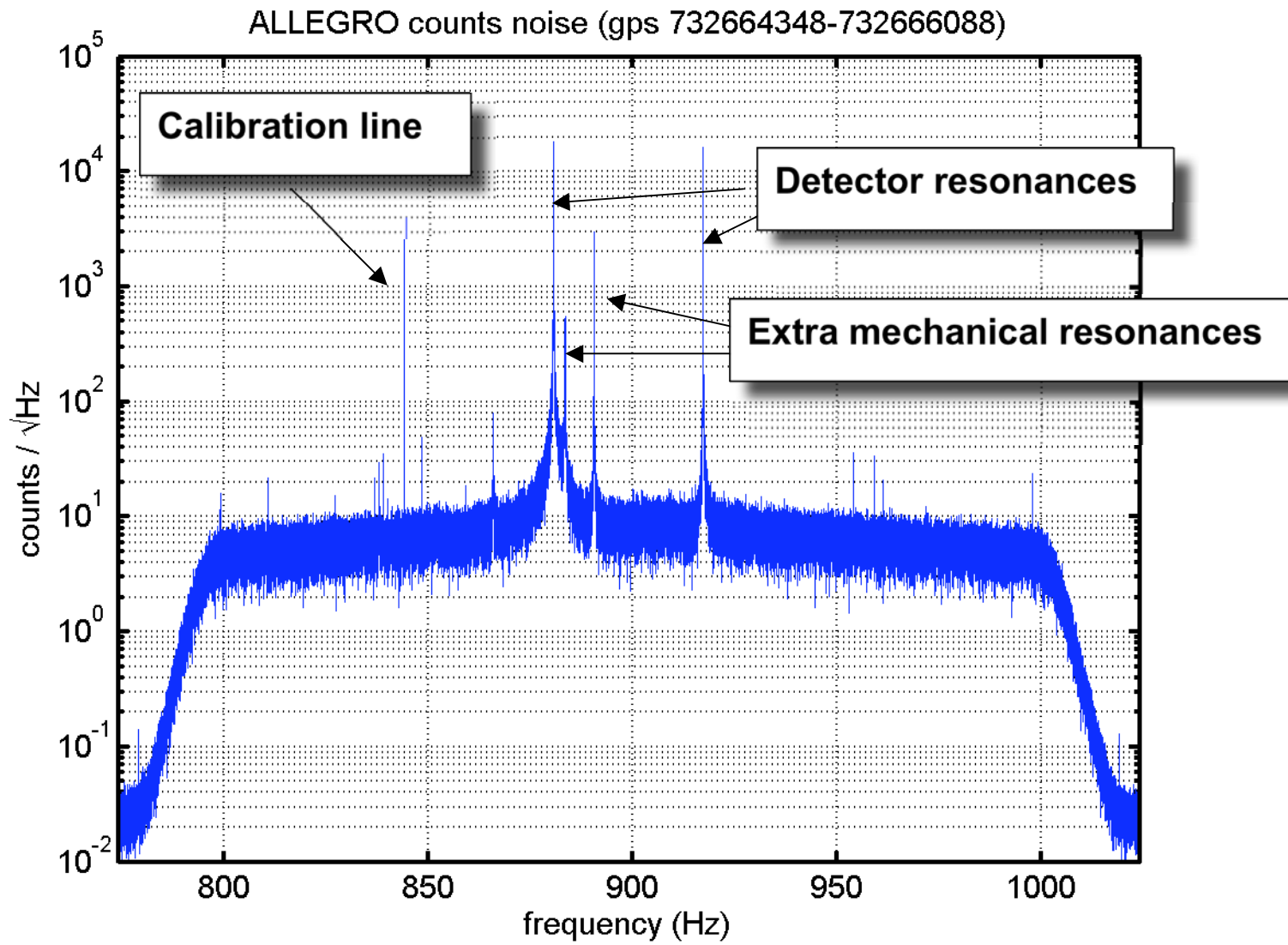


# Compare fourier coefficients

Lock-in/filter  
introduces an  
11ms delay and  
18 degree phase  
shift



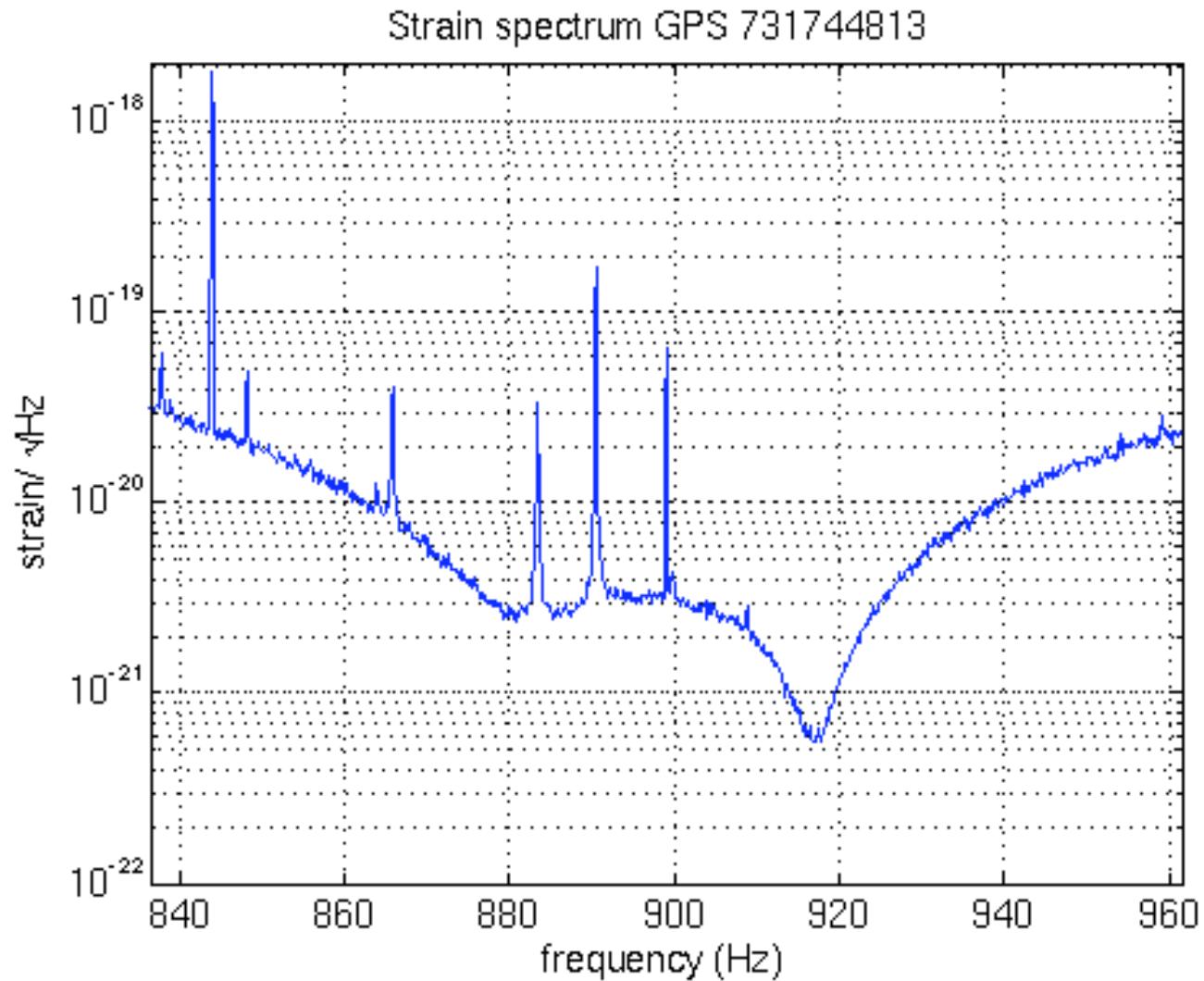








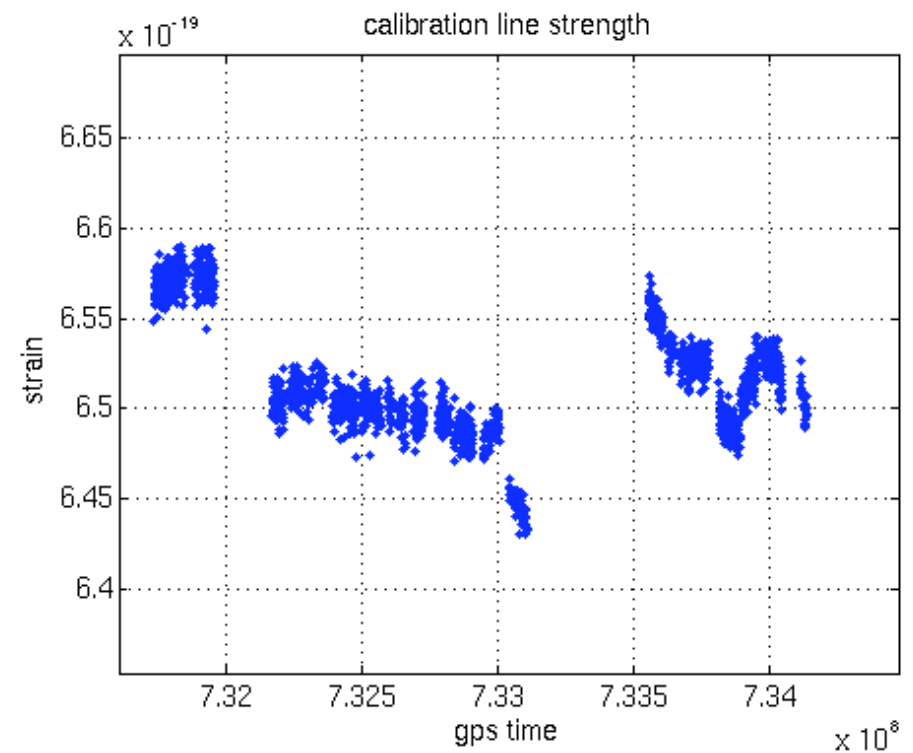
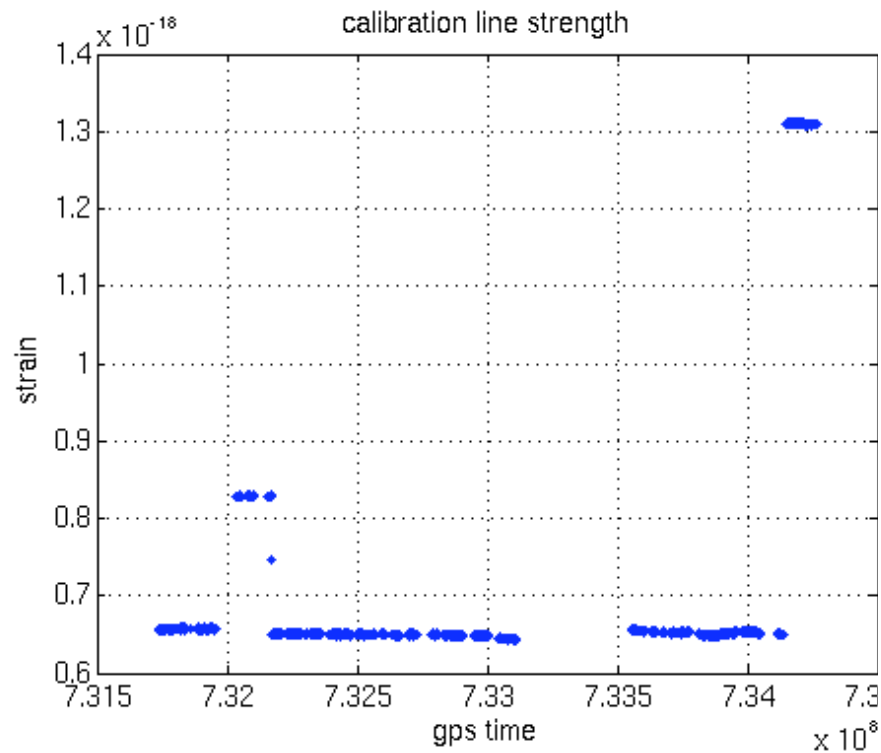
# Calibrated strain spectrum from S2



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# Stability of calibration





## Summary, future

- We have calibrated  $h(t)$  for S2 data set at level  $\leq 10\%$
- Currently stored in Matlab files, plan to put these data into frames
- detector much more stable now, should continue through S4
  - will determine overall sign
  - hardware injections are planned