
Geophysics Interferometer (GIF)

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Project Overview & Status

Definition and scope

1. Construction of two fixed-mirror interferometers (1.5km x 2) along KAGRA, for both geophysical observation and KAGRA baseline monitor.
2. Arrangement of sensors and benchmarks for monitoring environment parameters of the tunnel, rooms, and instruments

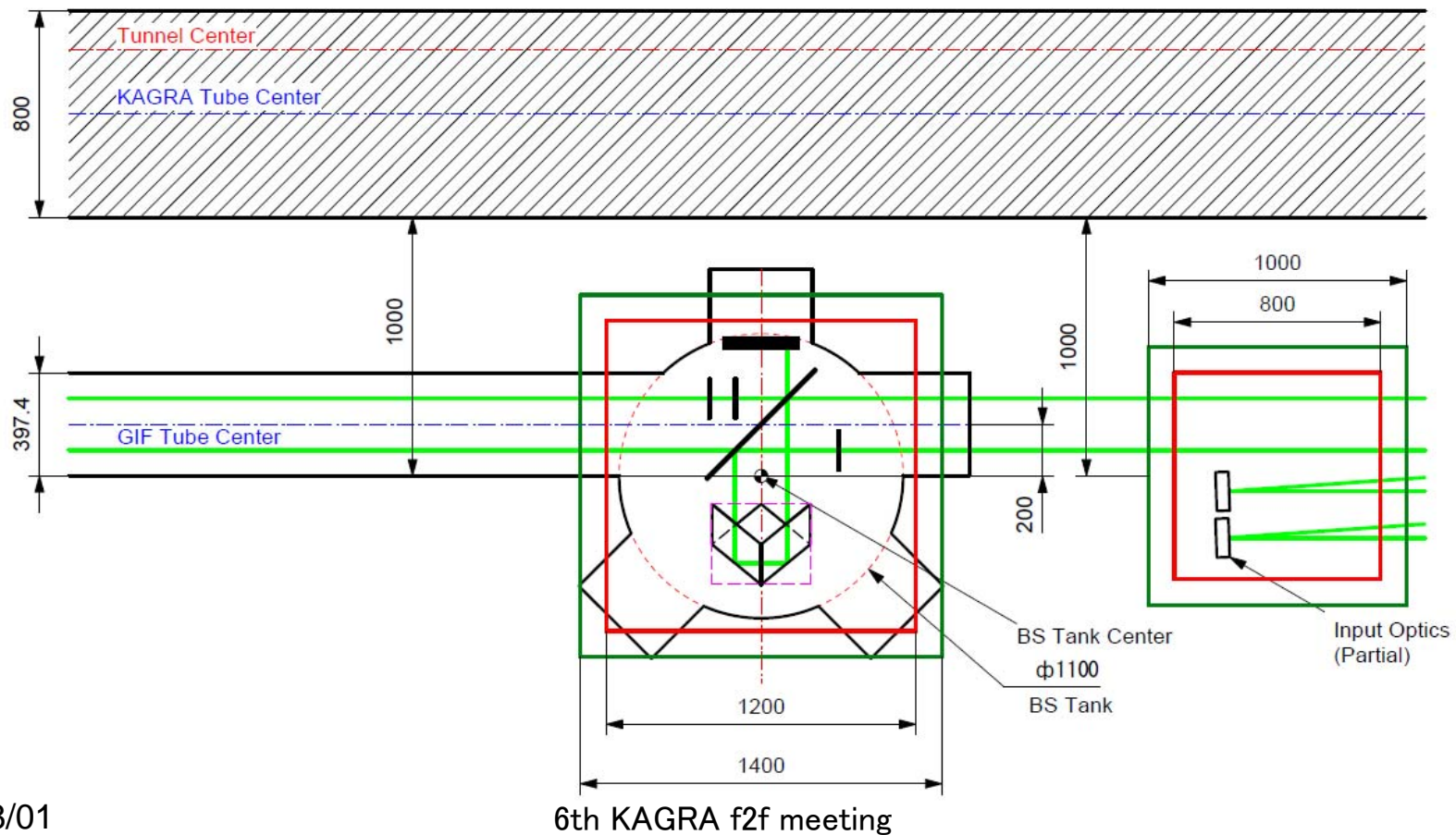
Current status

1. Documents of retro-reflectors and vacuum chambers are being prepared for bids.
2. Layout around a vacuum chamber is shown below.
3. Sample environment sensors (thermometer, hygrometer, and barometer) are being tested in the CLIO site.

Layout

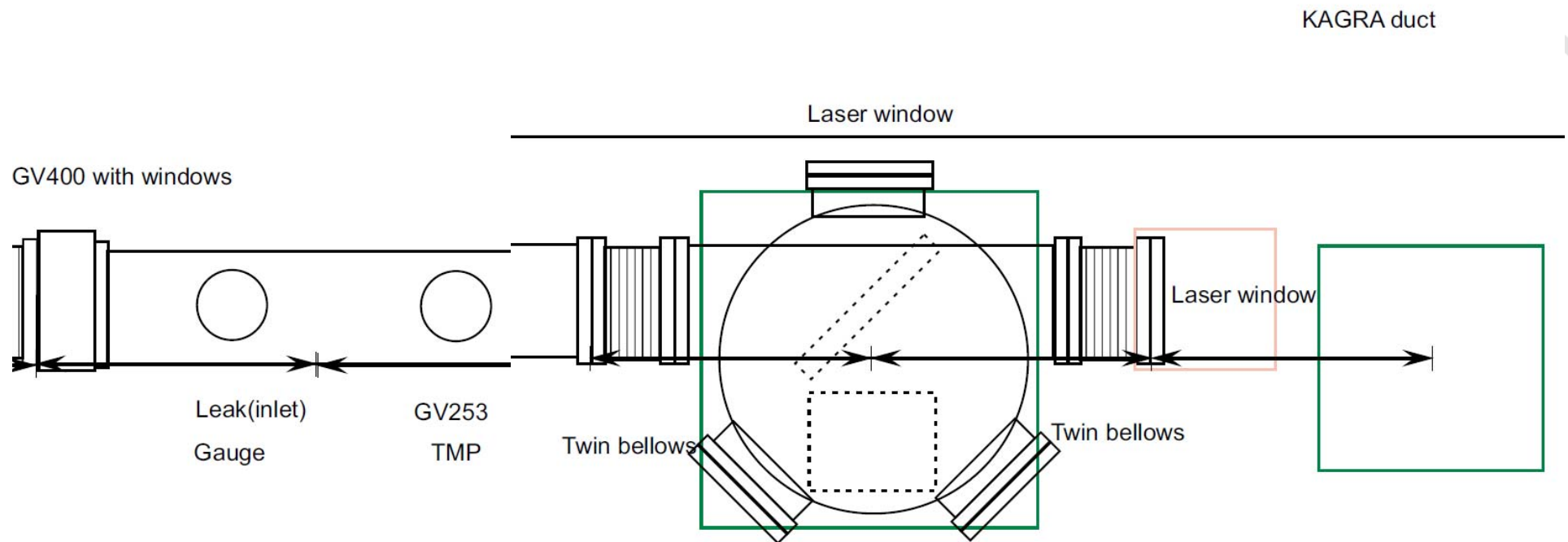
Optical layout and vacuum chamber

Vacuum chamber (inner dimension): diameter 1100mm, height 1000mm



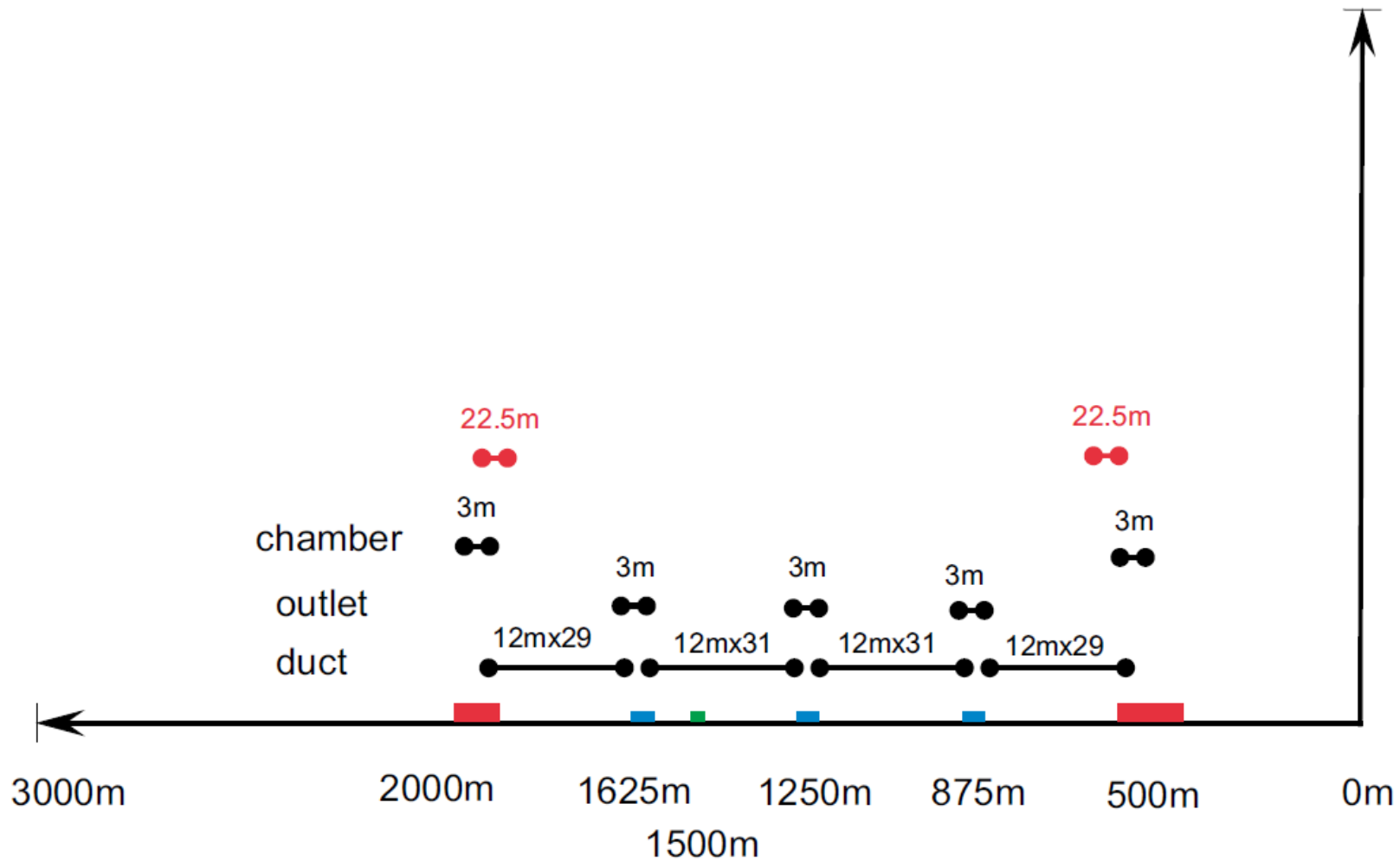
Layout

Layout around a vacuum chamber



Vacuum System

Arrangement of vacuum ducts 22.5m x 2 are lacking for 1500m



Environment Monitor (EM)

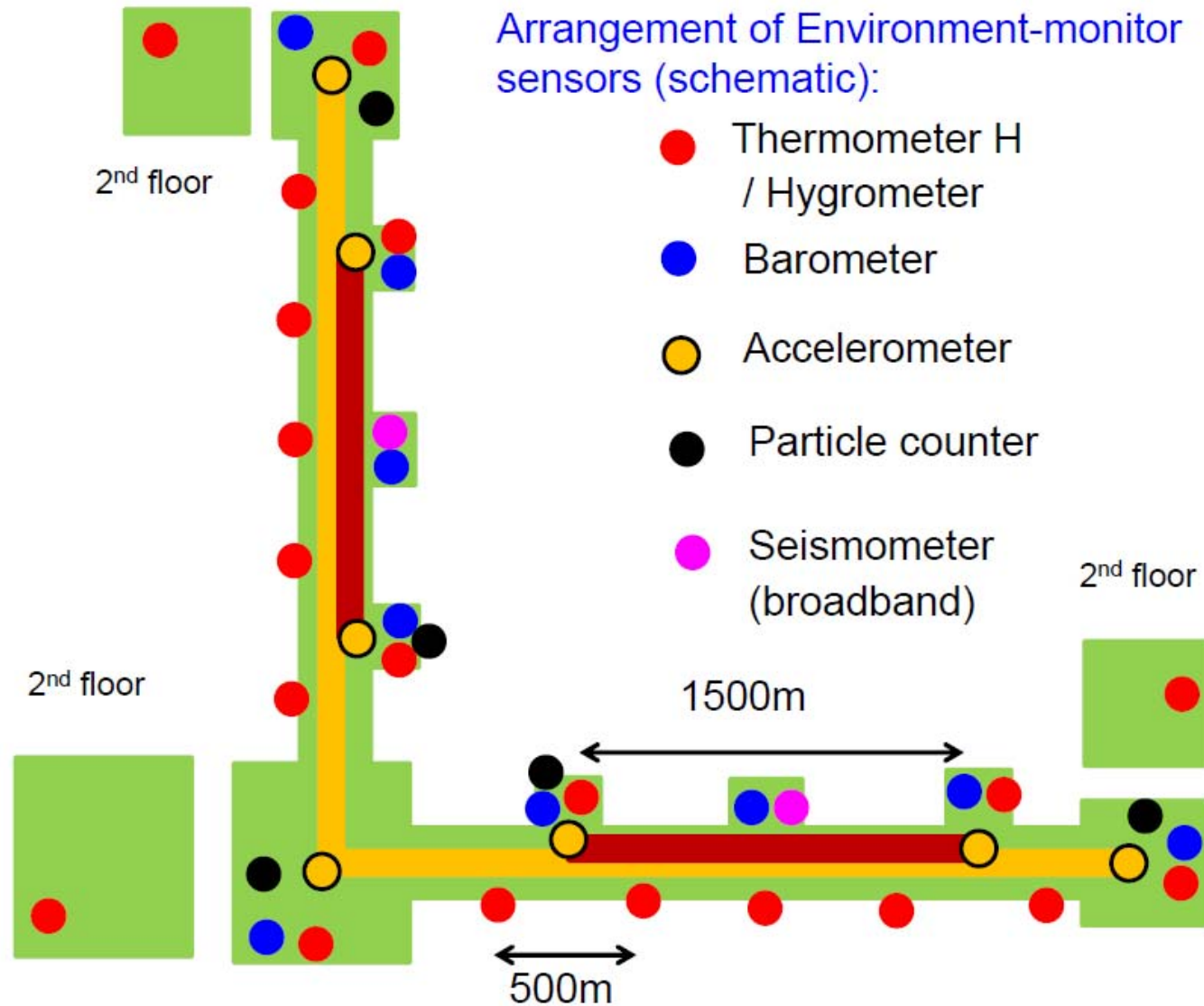
Definition & Scopes

Environment condition of the tunnel, rooms, and instruments need to be monitored for ensuring stable operation of detectors, correction of data analyses, and detection of anomalous operation.

Some sensors are directly attached to instruments for monitoring any noises applied to the instruments to assess validity of the data, such as veto analyses.

The sensors are characterized by physical quantity, relative / absolute, dimension, measurement range, resolution, and frequency response.

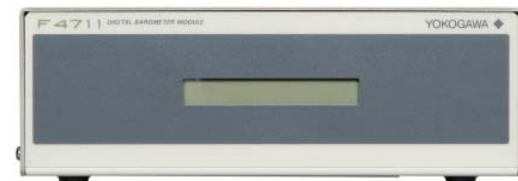
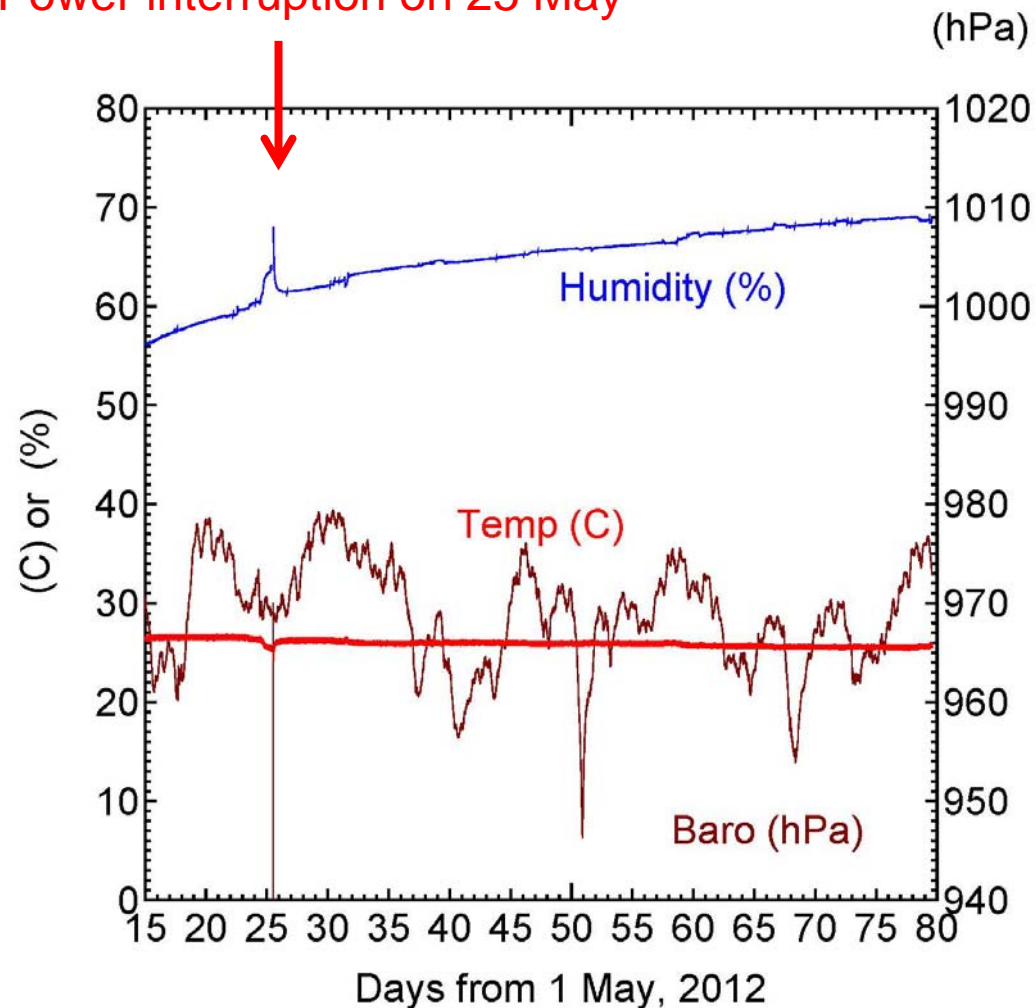
Sensor Locations



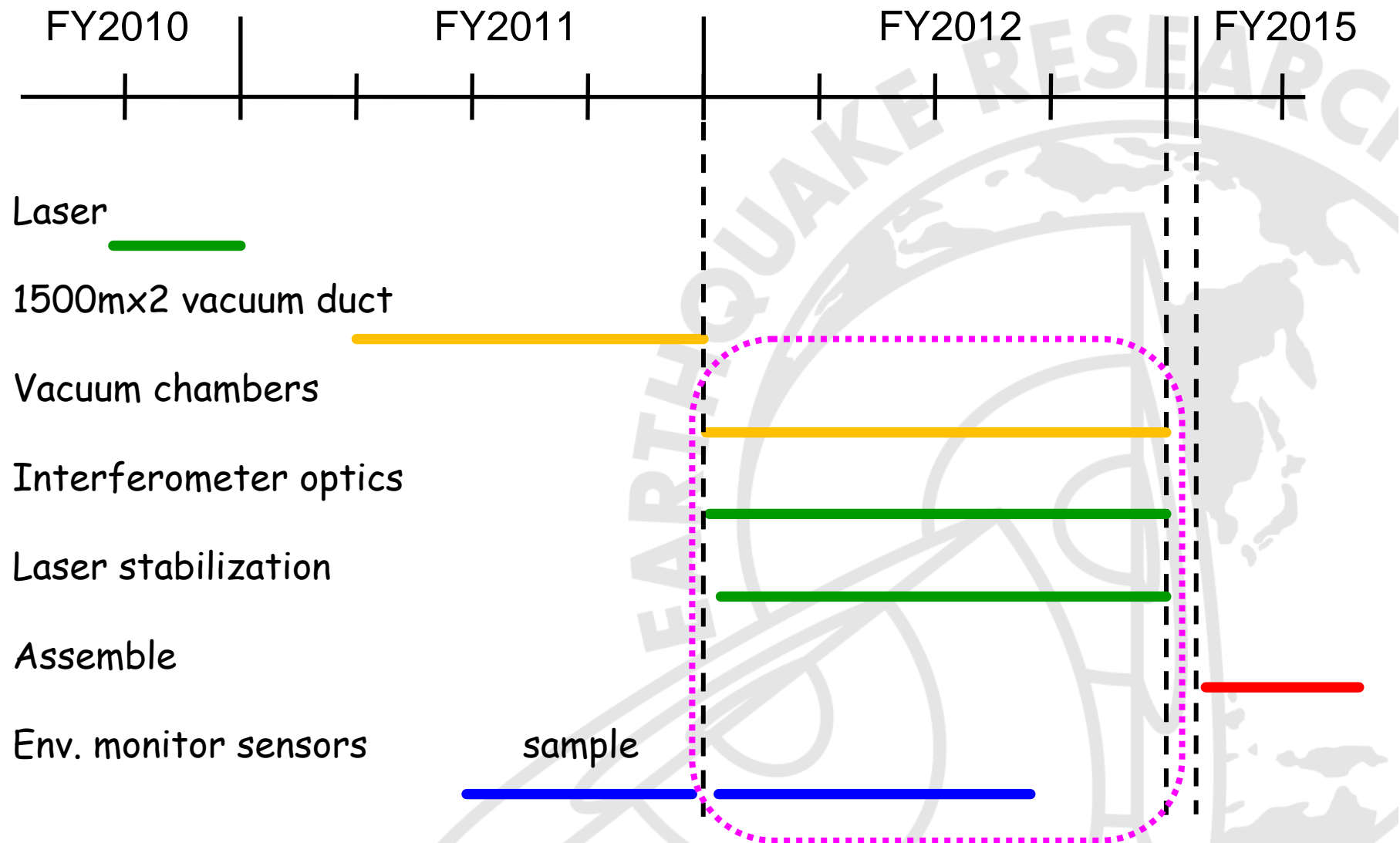
EM Example

Temperature, humidity, and barometric pressure at CLIO

Power interruption on 25 May



Schedule



GIF Milestones

	related sub-groups
2012.3 vacuum pipes delivery optics final design EM sensor determination	Vacuum Tunnel Det Char
2012.9 vacuum valves / pumps delivery infra specification (clean booth, LAN)	Vacuum Fac. Sup.
2013.3 optical components delivery vacuum components delivery EM sensors delivery	Vacuum Det Char
(2014.3) tunnel excavated	Tunnel
2014.6 vacuum & granite base installation	Vacuum/ Fac. Sup.
2014.12 vacuum installation	Vacuum
2015.3 optics installation EM-DAQ operation	Det Char
2015.6 test observation start safety management	Fac. Sup.
2015.9 observation & maintenance	
(2018.3) bKAGRA	

GIF Optics Main Features

- ❑ **Asymmetric Michelson Laser Interferometer**
 - 1.5 km vs. 50 cm
 - Optics Attached to Bedrock
- ❑ **Iodine-stabilized Nd:YAG Laser**
 - $\lambda = 532$ nm
 - Stability (Ultimate Resolution): 10^{-13}
- ❑ **Quadrature Detection**
 - Bi-directional Output
 - Wave Plates Inserted as Retarders
- ❑ **Retroreflectors as End Mirrors**
 - No Alignment/Length Control

Beam Layout

- ❑ **200 mm Separation**
 - To Fit into 400 mm Vacuum Tube
- ❑ **Beam Waist at Arm End**
 - Minimizes Retroreflector
 - For Better Symmetry (of input & return beams)
 - Minimum Spot Size at BS
 - ◆ Waist Size: 15.9 mm
 - ◆ Spot Size at BS: 22.5 mm
- ❑ **Required Minimum Apertures**
 - Retroreflector: 295.7 mm (12 inches)
 - BS: 237 mm per Spot

- **Beam Clipped**



Visibility

❑ Limited due to IFO Asymmetry

- Vis = 0.707 (Best w/ Ideal Optics)

❑ Causes of Visibility Degradations

■ Wavefront Distortion

- ◆ Irregular Surface of Retroreflectors
- ◆ Non-Parallelism of BS & Wave Plates

■ Power Loss

- ◆ Contamination (Low Reflectivity, Transmissivity)
- ◆ Clipping at Wave Plates

■ Other Causes

- ◆ Scattering etc.

Surface Accuracy of Retroreflectors

□ Realistic Numbers

■ A Manufacturer Specification (PLX)

- ◆ 0.3λ Guaranteed
- ◆ 0.1λ may be Possible (Best Effort)

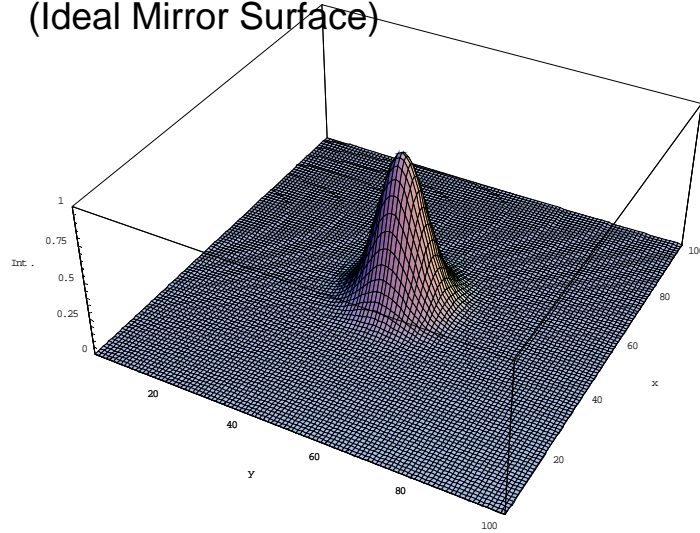
□ Estimating Visibility Degradation

■ Simple FE Model

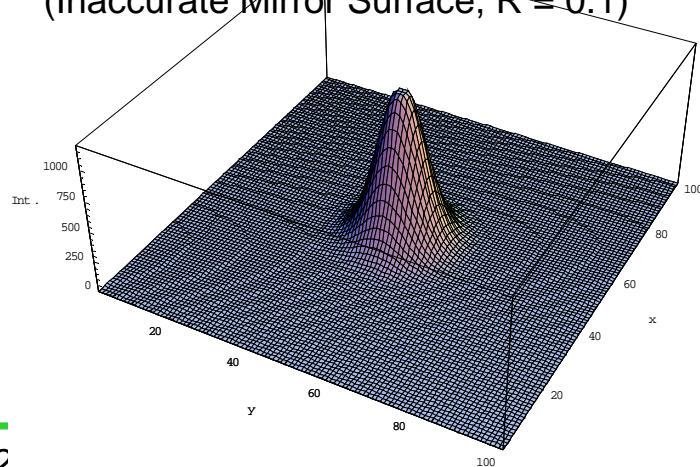
- ◆ Meshing over +/- 100 mm Wavefront
 - 50 x 50, 100 x 100, 200 x 200, 500 x 500 Meshing Tested
- ◆ Random & Independent Surface Displacement
 - follows Normal Distribution
 - » Average: 0
 - » STD: $R \times \lambda$ (Roughness Factor $R = 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, \dots$)

Model Example

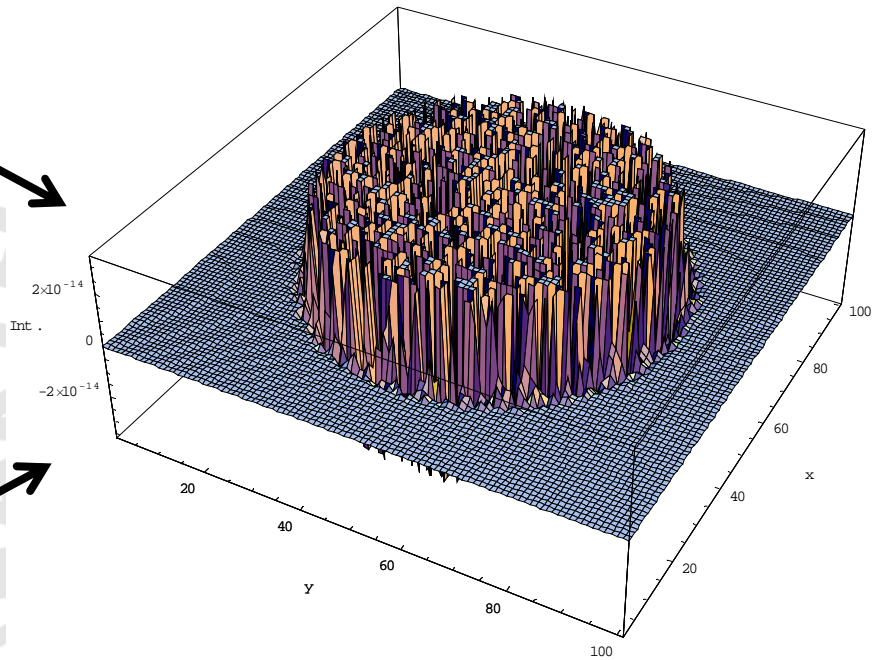
Output Beam Power
(Ideal Mirror Surface)



Output Beam Power
(Inaccurate Mirror Surface, $R = 0.1$)



Difference



Results

□ Visibility vs. Surface Inaccuracy

- Appropriate Mesh Number: 100 x 100
- Rapid Degradation Observed

- ◆ Up to $R \sim 0.3$

■ Expected Visibilities

- ◆ 0.53 ± 0.02 ($R=0.1$)

- ◆ 0.21 ± 0.03 ($R=0.2$)

- ◆ 0.05 ± 0.03 ($R=0.3$)

- ◆ cf. 0.71 ($R=0$)

■ Beam Clipping

- ◆ No Significant Impact

