Magnetic and RF coupling

Caveat for all PEM injection results: this is not an exact science. For example, we ignore directionality (e.g. direction to source of sound). We rely on the complexity of the system for scattering, coupling between axes etc. Experience suggests that one sigma uncertainty is about a factor of 2.

<u>LHO</u>

Summary: Ambient magnetic fields are unlikely to produce DARM noise at more than 1/10 of the DARM floor. There is high magnetic coupling at the EY satellite box rack. Coupling of self-inflicted magnetic fields in the CS ebay may keep us from reaching design sensitivity unless corrected.

Radio signals at 9 and 45 MHz would have to be at least 200 times background on the radio channels before they start to show in DARM. Injections at the following unmonitored frequencies were not seen in DARM: 10.000000 MHz 21.500000 24.078360 35.500000 71.000001 79.200000 80.000000

We injected an rf sweep from 9 kHz to 100 MHz to check for coupling from environmental rf to the interferometer. We found no evidence for strong coupling at any frequency within the band. An initial upper limit for coupling is that a signal will need to show up with an SNR of 100 on the RF scanner to have an SNR of 1 in DARM

<u>LLO</u>

Summary: Ambient magnetic fields are unlikely to produce DARM noise at more than 1/100 of the current DARM floor. There is high magnetic coupling in the output arm of the LVEA, but not high enough to keep us from reaching design sensitivity.

Radio signals at 9 and 45 MHz would have to be at least 100 times background on the radio channels before they start to show in DARM.

PEM injection, the Coupling Function, and Estimated Ambient contribution.

Coupling function (CF) is injection peak value in DARM over injection peak value in sensor (e.g m/T)

Used for linear projections

Used for comparing instrument performance, independent of ambient Estimated ambient (EA): coupling function multiplied by the ambient level gives the estimated contribution to DARM of the ambient field assuming linearity

Useful for answering the question of whether an event seen in a PEM channel was strong enough to produce a given SNR in DARM Useful for planning what needs to be done to reach sensitivity goal











Vibration Coupling

LHO summary:

Above 50 Hz

At the corner station there are three sites that strongly couple ground or acoustically induced vibrations into DARM: HAM6, HAM2 and the PSL table. The most important vibration sensors for monitoring these couplings are the PSL periscope accelerometer and the GS13s in HAMs 2 and 6. We think that the PSL table vibrations couple mainly by causing beam jitter. Our best guess is that the coupling at HAM2 is similarly produced by jitter. The two steering mirrors and the periscope just upstream of the IMC are not suspended and so are good candidates. At HAM6, sound shakes the blue cross beam, which would shake the table top, especially at ISI suspension resonances. More speculatively, this HAM6 table top motion may couple through the OM or OMC suspensions. The motion of these mirrors would modulate the light, which results in intermodulation with the 4100 Hz OMC dither frequency, producing up and down-converted features as well as direct coupling.

At the end stations, we have not narrowed down the coupling sites or mechanisms. There is high coupling in the EX VEA and the large sidebands that Sheila saw suggest that coupling is via scattering.

Below 50 Hz

At the corner station there is high coupling at certain frequencies between 10 and 50 Hz, but we were shaking the whole building and so we have not narrowed down the coupling sites. At the end stations we did not see coupling in this band. We also found that ground motion at the corner station in the 10-50 Hz band produced noise in at least the 82-100 Hz band of DARM.

LLO Summary:

In the corner station there are a few sites which strongly couple ambient vibration/acoustics above 30 Hz to DARM:

a) The PSL periscope around 490 Hz and 3.3kHz is within a factor of 3 of DARM, likely through input beam jitter.

b) HAM6 ISI couples strongly, where most of the acoustic coupling can be explained through ISI motion. The hypothesis here is that it is coupling either through beam jitter of the OMs and/or OMC suspension. High frequency motion then would couple to the OMC dither line (4.8kHz at LLO, 4.1kHz at LHO) and produce bilinear effects such as down/upconversion to ~100 Hz, 1kHz and 2 kHz. Regression algorythm subtraction (see Filipe's work here) suggest such a mechanism.

c) There is low frequency acoustic coupling (80-90Hz) within a factor of 3 in DARM where we have not pinpointed a location. If linear, this coupling is likely to be in the output optics area. We should also shake HAM5 for OFI reasons.

d) Last but not least there is a sharp resonance at 455 Hz that we have not located and is not easy to triangulate with current measurements. There are sharper resonances very close to this frequency in HAM3, HAM4 and HAM5 GS13s, so maybe it could be an intermodulation of these three (though no coherence was found).

An EM shaker was used to inject a couple of low frequency points on the floor near the PSL. The signal in DARM was large, <u>one to one</u> depending on which sensor is used (i.e. where the coupling point is). **We must do more low frequency injection studies**, either with various locations with these EM shakers or renting a tamper like <u>Robert did at LHO</u> (section on "global shaking"). The speakers we have cannot inject much lower than 30-40 Hz, so that region remains untested.

Not all mechanisms are known and the coupling functions calculated may have up to factors of 2 systematics. We propose further tests to clarify.

Vibration coupling, acoustic, injection in bands because of nonlinearity



Global injection (e.g. constant amplitude in building)
Gives approximately what you would expect from distant sources
Equal field works to factor of 2, scattering
Local injections
Useful for more local (self-inflicted) sources
Can be used to locate dominant coupling sites (propagation delays for vibrations are also sometimes used)
Also used when injectors not strong enough

A sensor at the dominant coupling site will give the same Estimated Ambient level for injections from multiple locations (following example is for upconversion).















Summary comparison of Hanford and Livingston

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| Coupling location | Max LHO coupling factor 30-1000 Hz unless indicated | Max LLO coupling factor 30-1000 Hz unless indicated | Ratio LHO/LLO (approx.) |
| PSL periscope accelerometer | 3e-15 m/(m/s^2) | 4e-17 m/(m/s^2) | 100 (probably about 10 after fix) |
| Output optics mic | 3e-16 m/Pa | 6e-16 m/Pa | 0.5 |
| EX VEA mic, either | 1e-16 m/Pa | 4e-18 m/Pa | 25 |
| EY VEA mic, either | 1e-17 m/Pa | 1e-17 m/Pa | 1 |
| HAM2 GS13s | 3e-6 m/m | | |
| HAM6 GS 13s | 9e-6 m/m | | |
| Any floor seismometer | 1e-7 m/m, 10 Hz | | |
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| Largest magnetic coupling | 1e-8 m/T - vertex | 7e-9 m/T -output arm | 1.4 |
| at 12 Hz | magnetometer | magnetometer | |
| Largest magnetic coupling at 100 Hz | 8e-11 m/T vertex magnetometer | 8e-11 m/T EY VEA magnetometer | 1 |

List of suggested PEM-related improvements for O2

1) Reduce jitter coupling at LHO. TCS?

2) Damp HAM6 blade springs and flexures. This may expand to other HAMs depending on results of jitter coupling reduction at LHO and 80-90, 455 Hz coupling investigations at LLO.

3) More injections to better understand 80-90 and 455 Hz coupling at LLO

4) Find and fix the high acoustic coupling at LHO EX, scattering?

5) Find and mitigate the source of high magnetic fields around 10 Hz in the LHO ebay.

6) Find coupling site and mechanism for 10-50 Hz ground motion producing upconversion at CS (using shakers). Why 10-50 Hz? Microseism is too variable, so is 1-10 Hz (diurnal anthropogenic variation). Also 1, 2 Hz injections at LHO low coupling, and HVAC consistent with 10-50.

7) Use buried external seismometers to reduce wind tilt problems

8) Check transfer function of OMC suspension at 900 Hz

9) Monitor beam tube stick slips that could produce particulate glitches.