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Main aim

Introduce a tidal strain prediction system to keep the Superattenuator near the operating point also during the Unlock phase

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Use of the strain prediction



Figure: Strain prediction system scheme



 The data time analysis doesn't highlight the dominating noise on the Lvdt signal respect to the ideal tidal strain prediction



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Figure: Spectral results for prediction and NE zLvdt signal

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- In order to improve the noise bugdet for the prediction, a more precise model could consider thermal effects, environmental effects and related to ground subsidence (tilt) using additional interferometer signals



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Simulation results using ETGTAB prediction (1)

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Simulation results (2)

• Prediction and Lvdt Data from West arm



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Lock and Unlock

• The measurement of the position sensor is dependent from Unlock phases



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Simulation Results: adaptive Kalman filtering (1)



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Simulated durable Unlock (1)

Current situation: the Lvdt measure restarts from an arbitrary point during the Lock phase



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Simulated durable Unlock (2)

Upgrade: use the tide prediction to obtain a new reference signal during the Unlock phase



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Simulated durable Unlock (3)

Result: The Lvdt signal has been modified using the prediction



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West Arm Results (1)



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West Arm Results: Error (2)



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