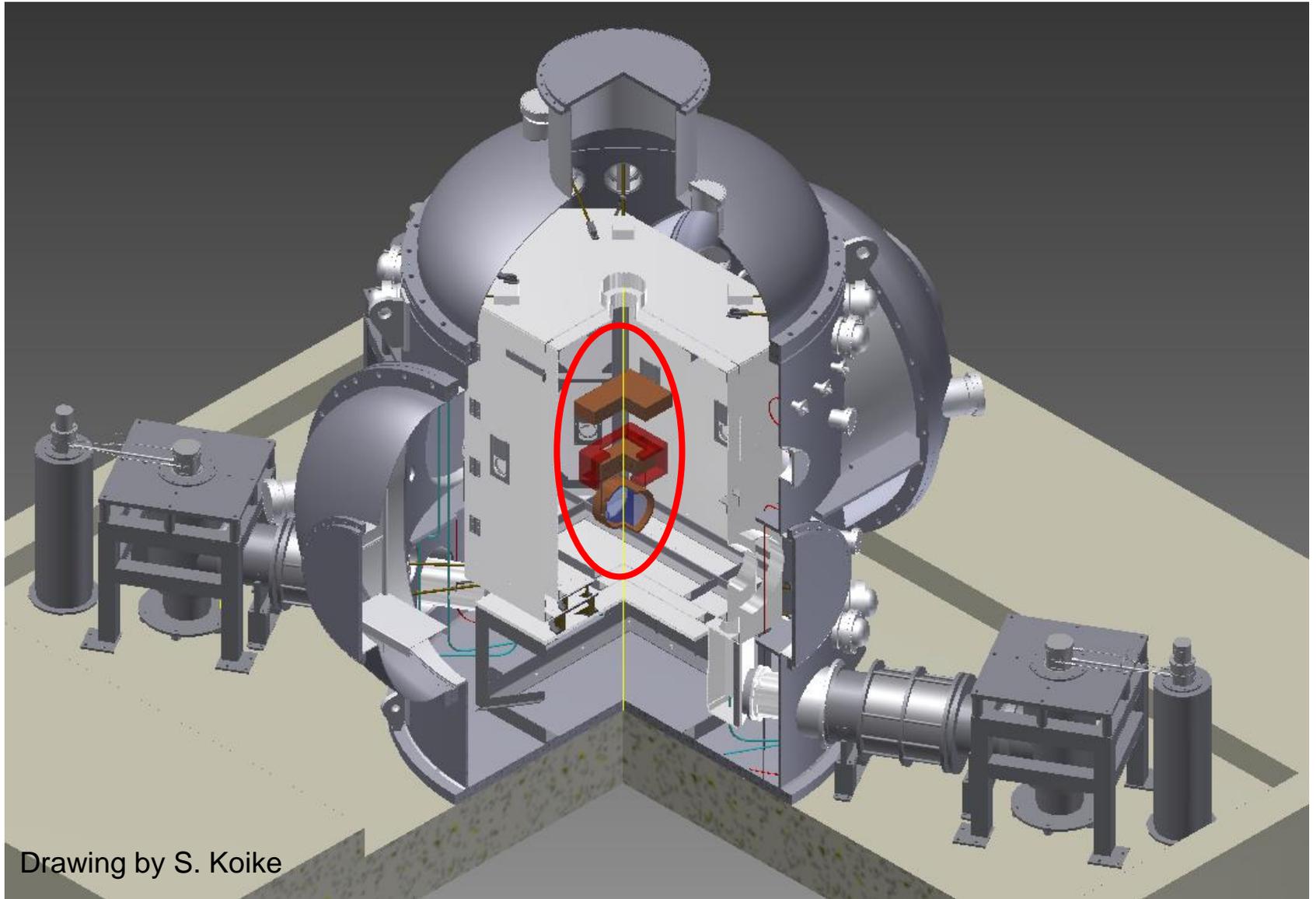


# The KAGRA Cryogenic Payload

## R&D Status and Future Plans

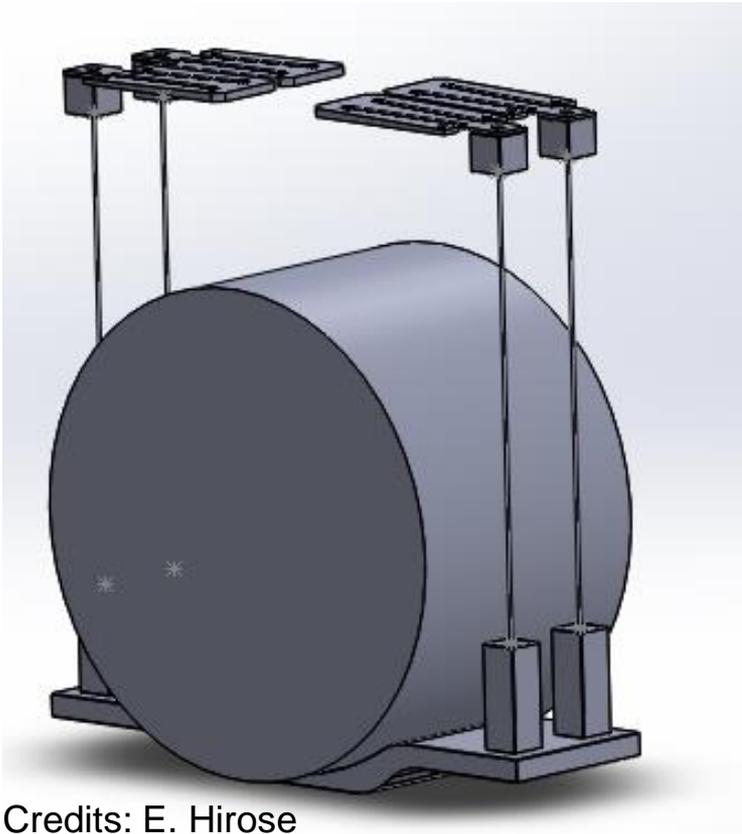
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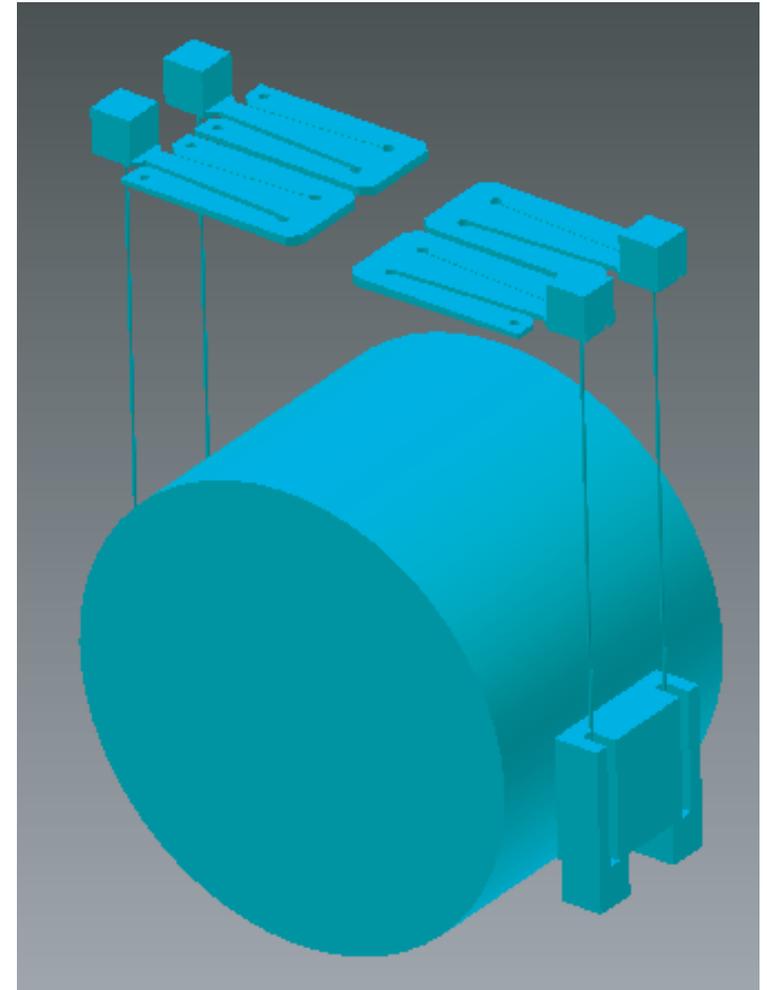
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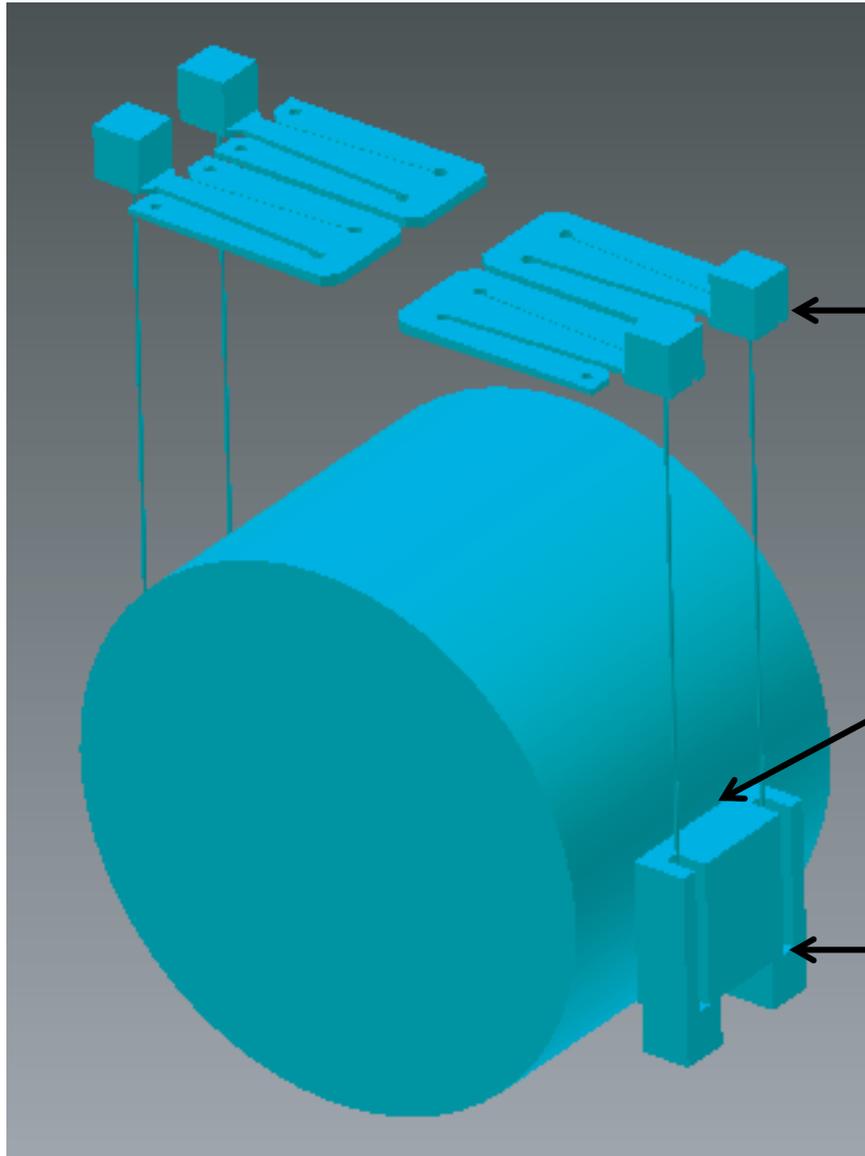
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## 垂れ耳 = lop-eared suspension



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# Lop-eared suspension

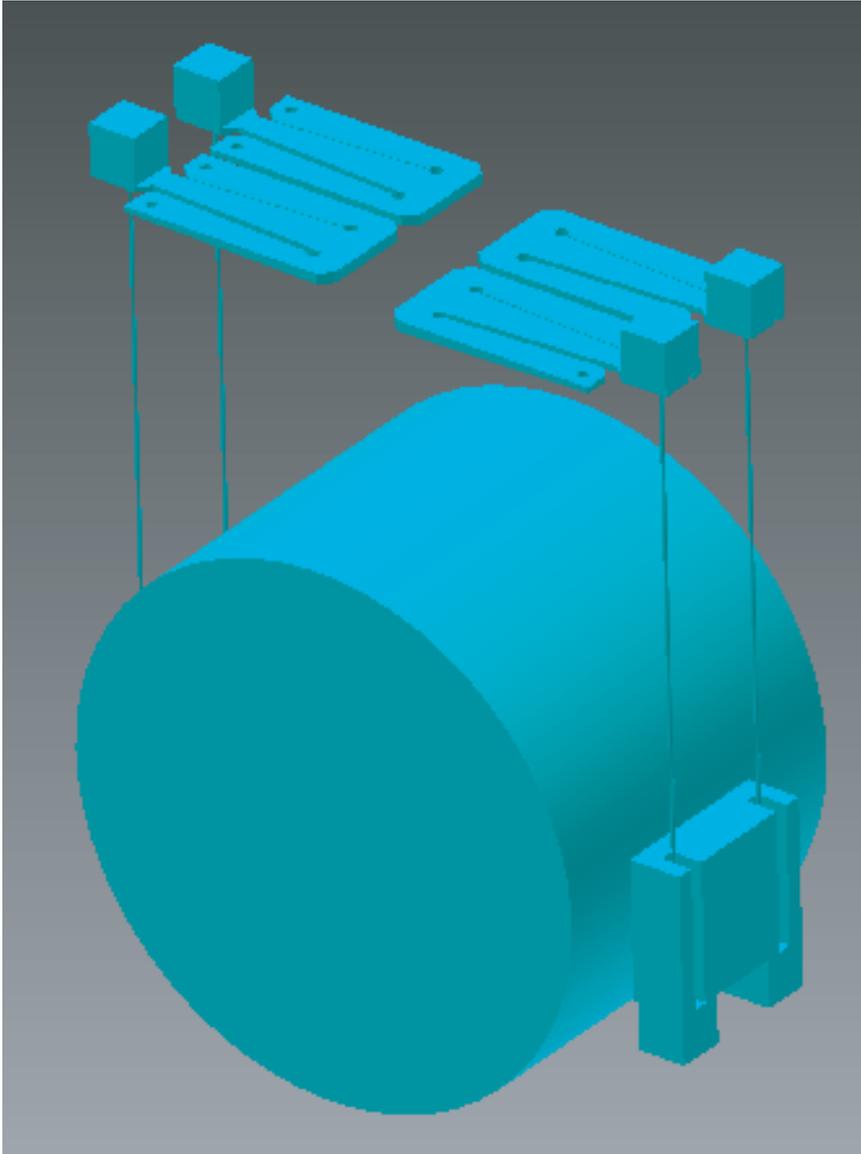


Indium brazing between fiber and blade  
(connected in compression)

Hydroxide catalysis bond (HCB)  
between test mass and ear

Indium brazing between fiber and ear  
(connected in compression)

# Lop-eared suspension



consists of 11 single components

connected using indium and HC bonds

only HCB need to be strong (1 MPa)

indium bonds can be disconnected if a broken fiber/blade needs to be substituted

## Requirements

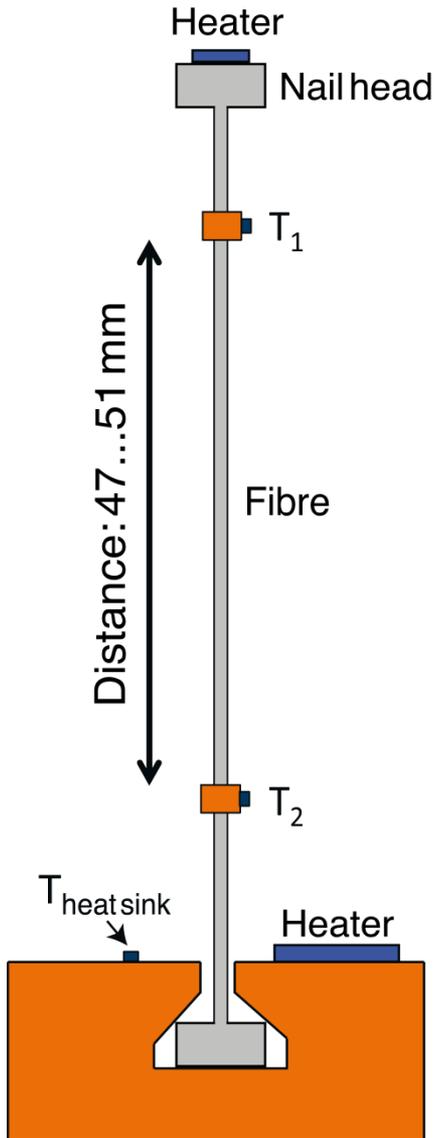
flat cuts to mirror cylinder to connect ears, polished to  $\lambda/10$  or better

long ear to place fiber bending point at the center of mass

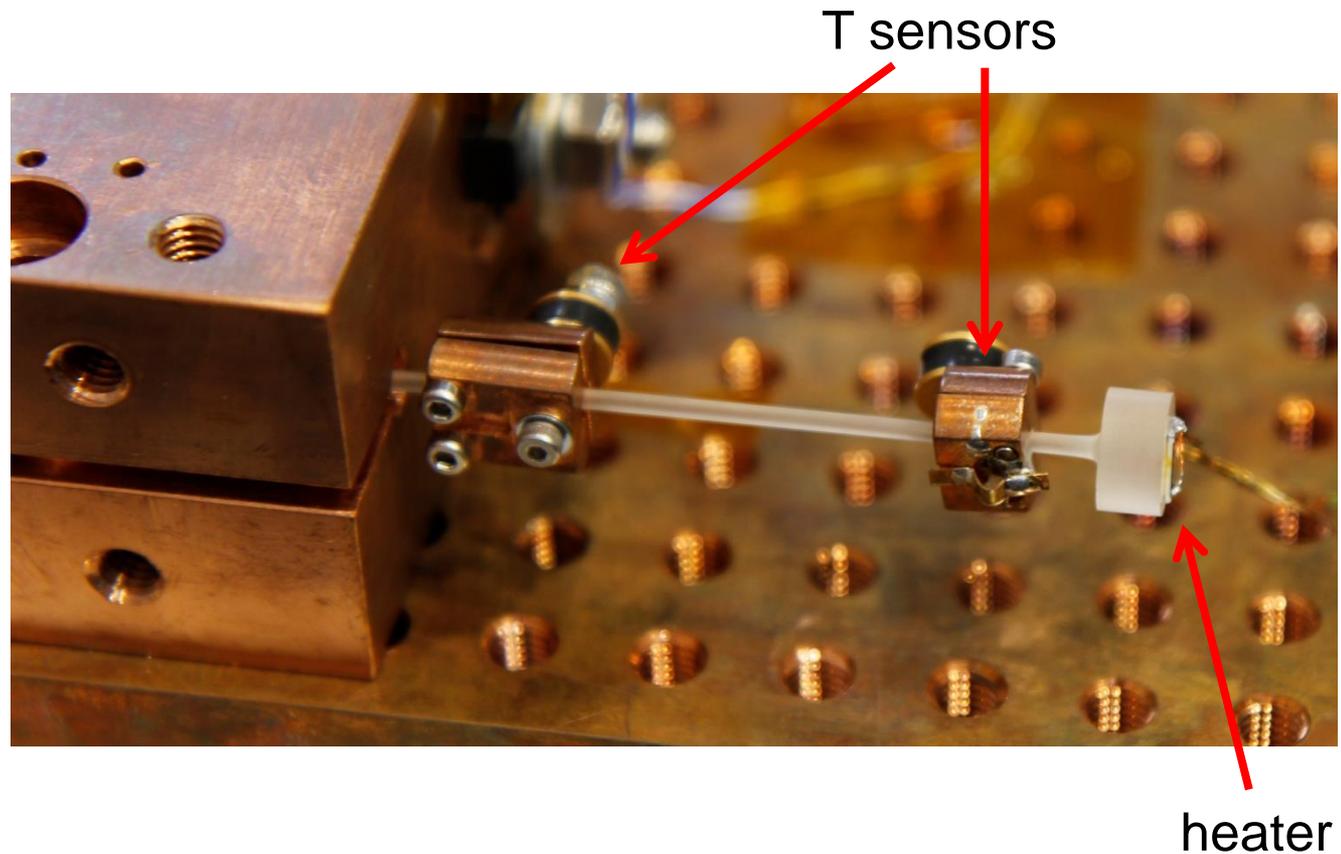
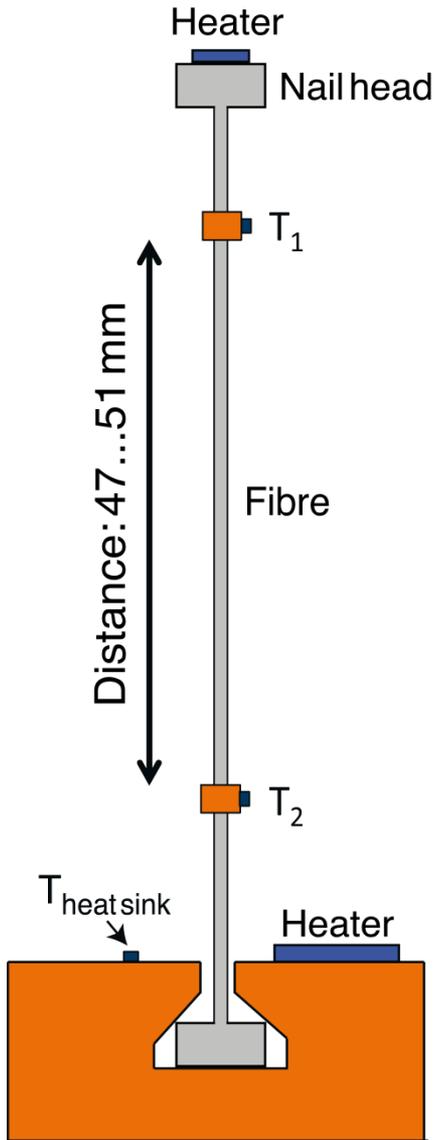
(about 40mm from the head)

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# Measuring the heat conductivity of fibers



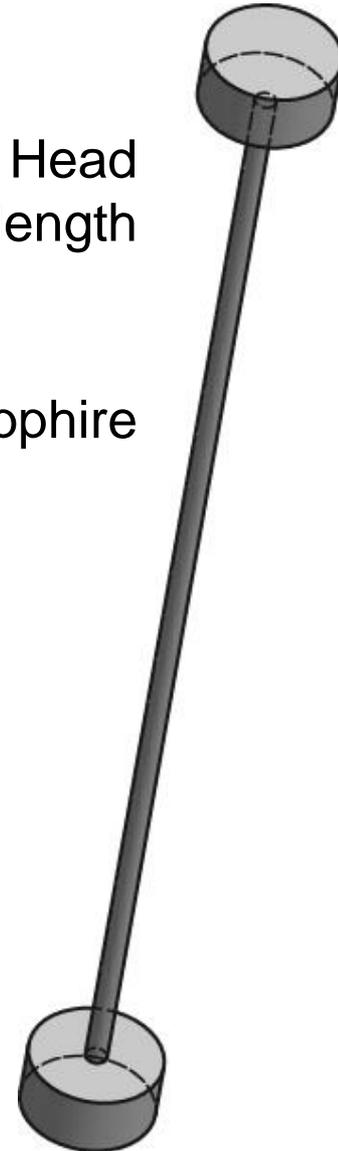
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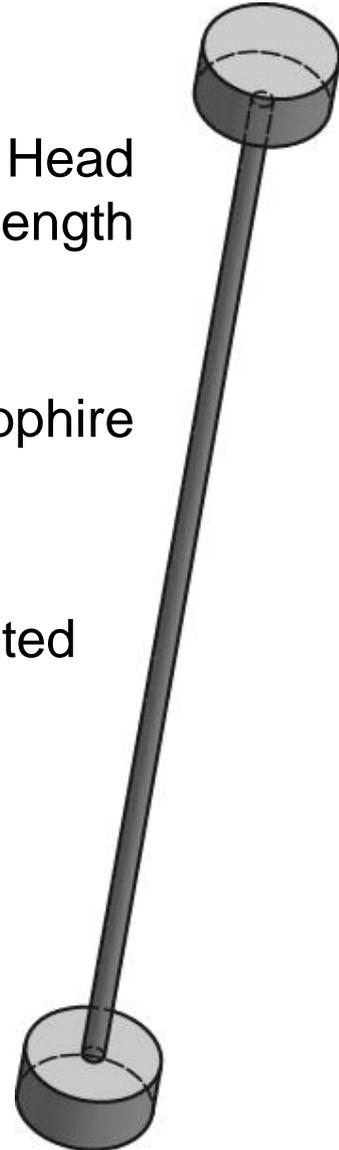
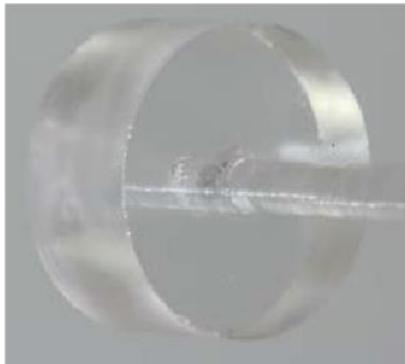
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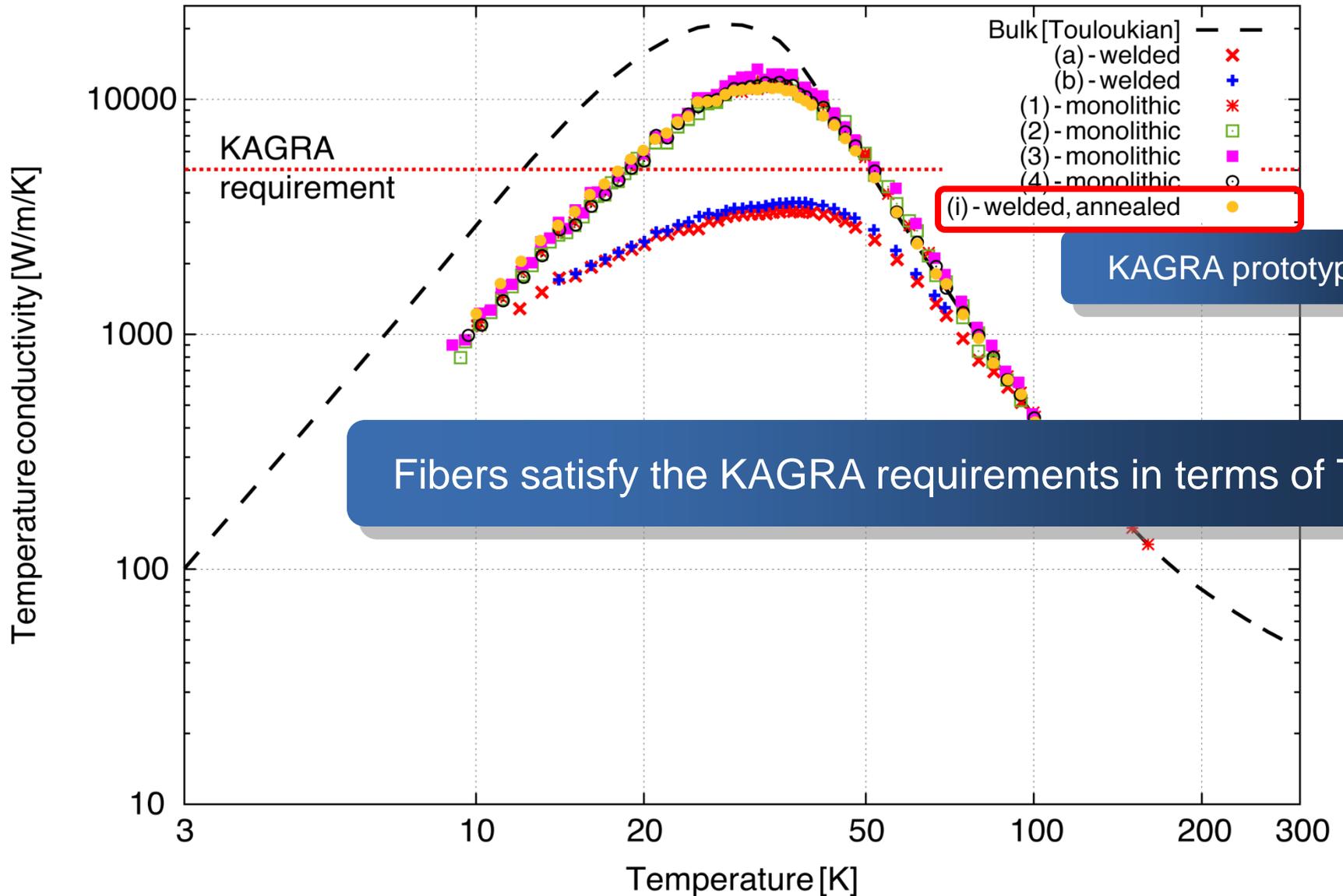


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- Same dimensions. 1.6mm rod welded into two pre-fabricated nail heads. HEM sapphire, thermo-polished fiber rod.

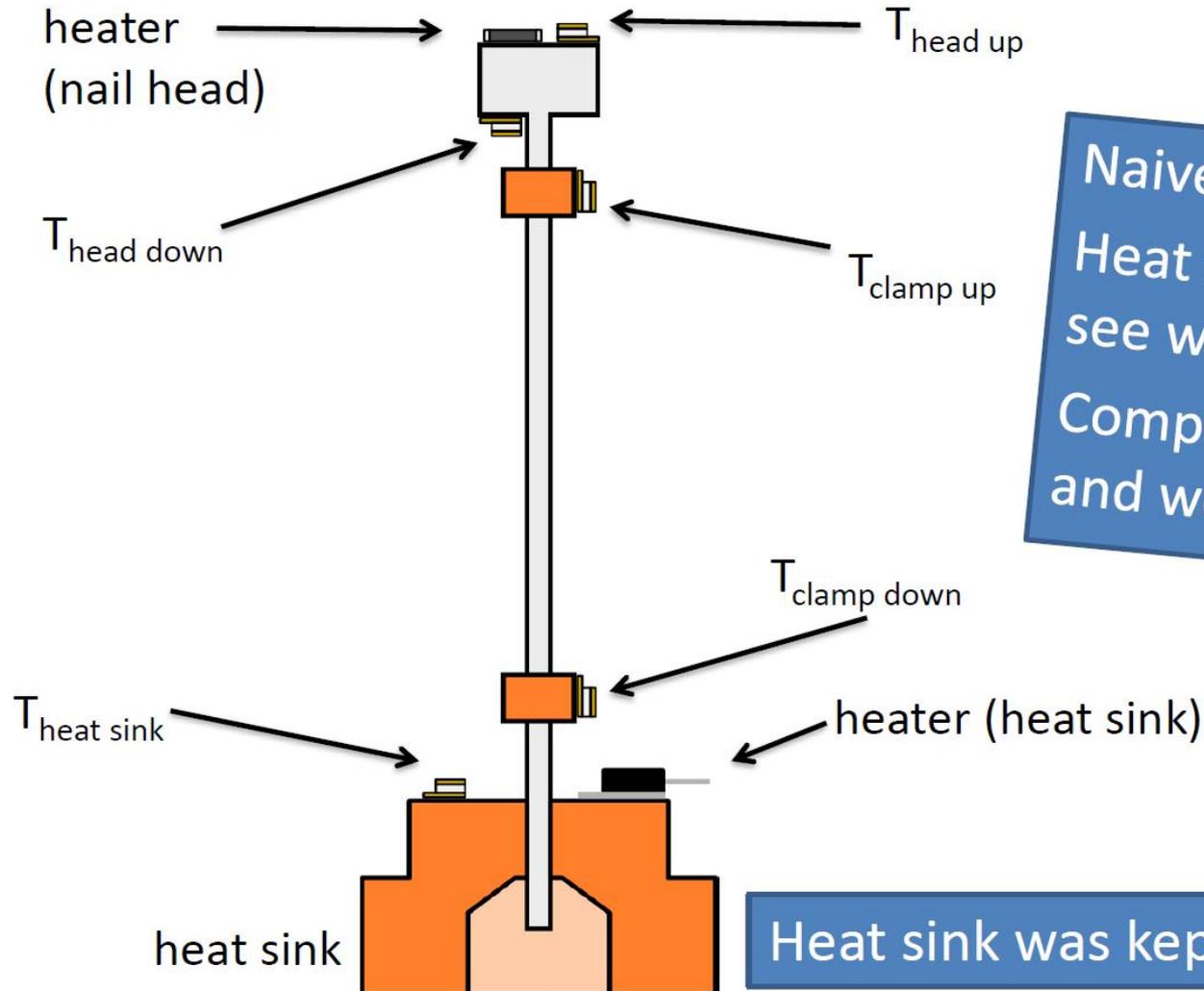


# Measuring the heat conductivity of fibers





# Setup for testing the heat extraction



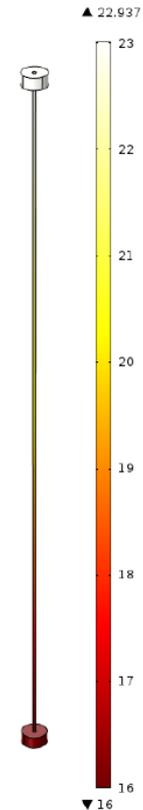
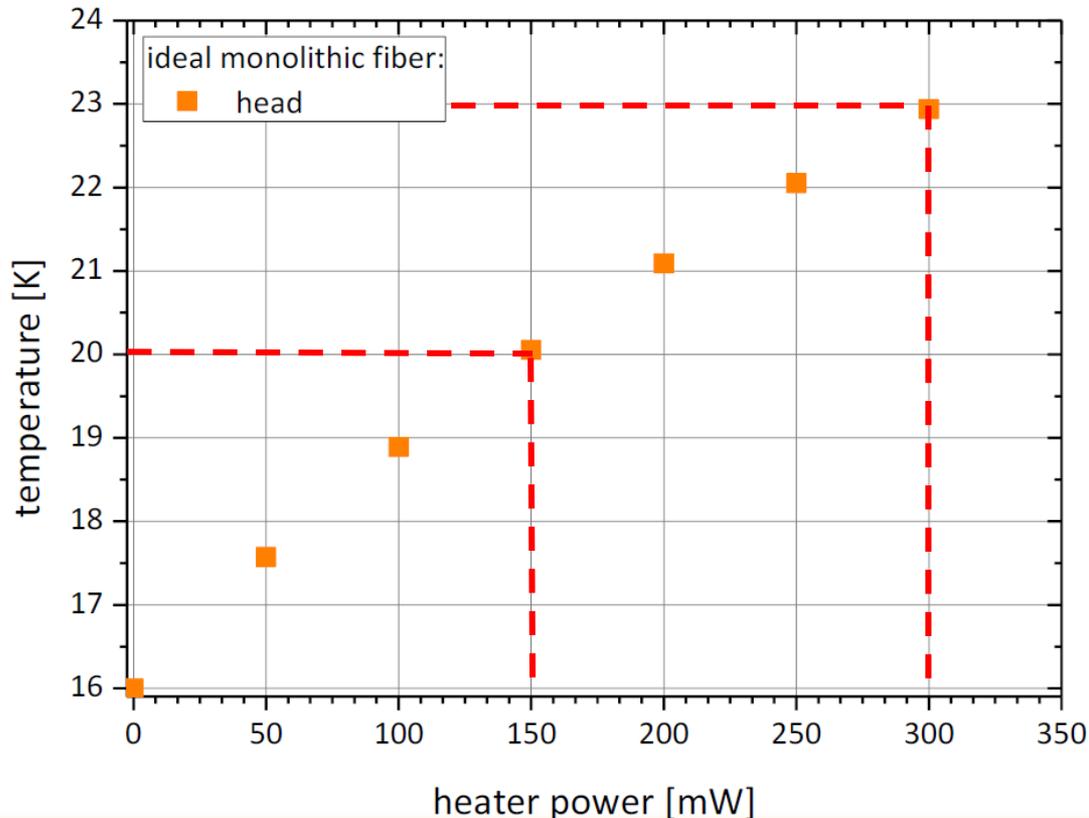
Naive idea:  
Heat the nail head and  
see what happens!  
Compare monolithic  
and welded fiber.

Heat sink was kept at 16K



# Extending the FEA model to the KAGRA case

Assuming no additional thermal resistance from the weld, ideal contact to the heads and the same thermal conductivity as measured yet, this is what we can expect for KAGRA:



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## Evaluation of heat extraction through sapphire fibers for the GW observatory KAGRA

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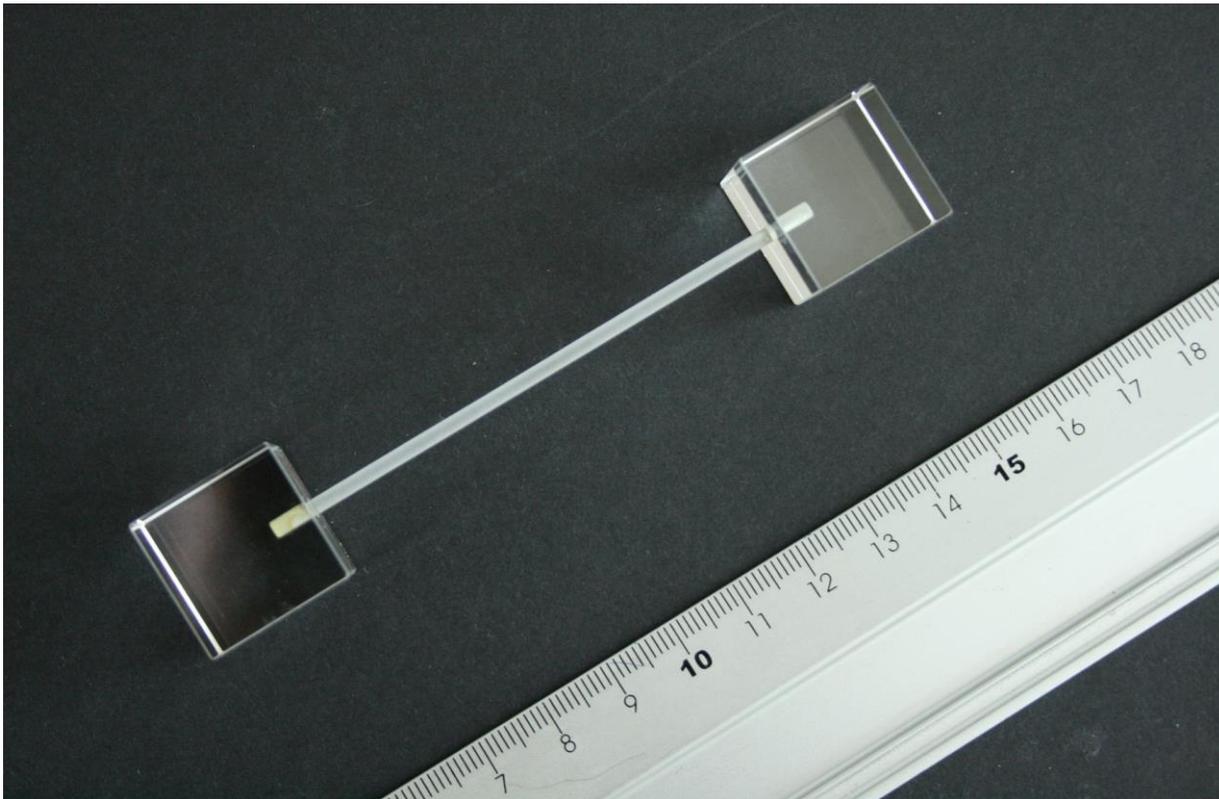
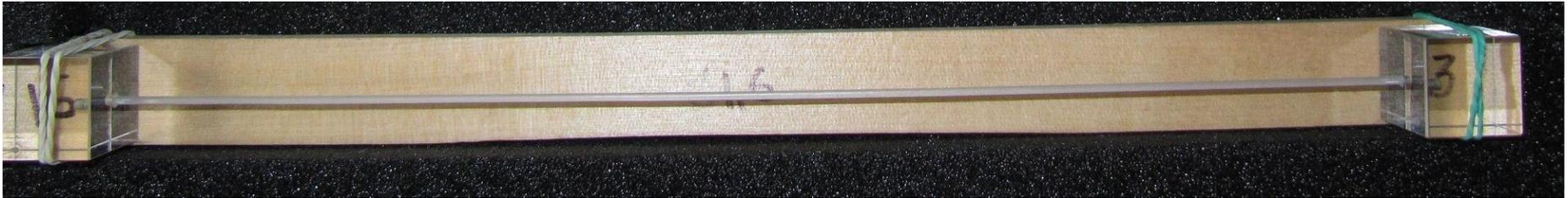
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### Paper

Currently, the Japanese gravitational wave laser interferometer KAGRA is under construction in the Kamioka mine. As one main feature, it will employ sapphire mirrors operated at a temperature of 20 K to reduce the impact from thermal noise. To reduce seismic noise, the mirrors will also be suspended from multi-stage pendulums. Thus the heat load deposited in the mirrors by absorption of the circulating laser light as well as heat load from thermal radiation will need to be extracted through the last suspension stage. This stage will consist of four thin sapphire fibers with larger heads necessary to connect the fibers to both the mirror and the upper stage. In this paper, we discuss heat conductivity measurements on different fiber candidates. While all fibers had a diameter of 1.6 mm, different surface treatments and approaches to attach the heads were analyzed. Our measurements show that fibers fulfilling the basic KAGRA heat conductivity requirement of  $\kappa \geq 5000 \text{ W m}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$  at 20 K are technologically feasible.

# Final KAGRA fiber design



- Total length 300mm
- Nailhead: 20mm cube
- All head surfaces with flatness better  $\lambda/4$



6 surfaces per head that can be used for optical bonding



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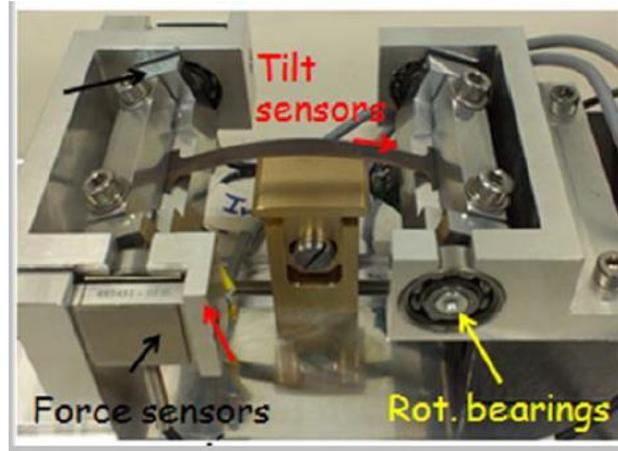
R&D for cryogenic mirror suspensions

## Annealing and strength testing of Mono-crystalline sapphire cantilevers

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### Results strength test sapphire blades (units mm)

nr	quality	orientation	width w	thick-ness t	max height y	force P [N]	stress $\sigma_{max}$ [GPa]	length L	compression - $\Delta X$	Annealing			
										time [h]	T [°C]		
1	?	down	0.95	0.127	1.03	0.51	0.21	35.9	0.16	none	1500		
2					2.30	0.65	0.59	38.4	0.26				
3					3.10	0.59	0.72	46.7	0.53				
4					6.57	0.72	1.85	46.7	2.45	3			
5					3.17	0.69	0.86	44.6	0.56				
6					9.03	0.58	2.05	46.7	4.55				
7					10.30	0.59	2.38	41.8	6.10	3			
8					8.43	0.66	2.18	43.4	3.85				
9					up	0.127	6.00	failed		4		1800	none
10	5.25	2.12	0.69	48.7				1.48					
11	4.88	2.37	0.72	44.5				1.43					
12	7.17	2.28	1.01	42.3				3.06					
13	6.70	2.42	1.01	45.1				2.68					
14	3.00	3.96	0.74	39.6				0.72	none				
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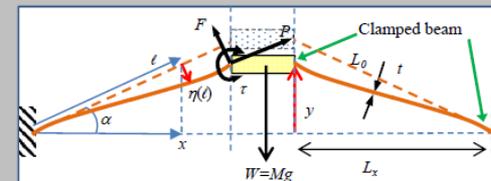


## R&D on cryogenic mirror suspensions Low-frequency suspension with compressed sapphire beams

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### Motivation

A low-frequency suspension relies on the elasticity of materials and requires high-strength material. However, the ceramic crystalline materials applied in the cryogenic environment of gravitational wave detectors like Kagra and the Einstein Telescope are typically brittle; that means: very strong in compression, weak in tension. The idea is to exploit this compressive strength and to design a geometry where tensional stress is minimized



### Idea

Two crystalline beams constrained in a wide angle isosceles triangle geometrical support a keystone holding a payload of weight  $W=Mg$ . The deformed beam shape  $\eta(x)$  causes a varying bending stress along the beam. The load  $W$  induces a large compressive stress in the beams. So the bending stress profile across the beam gets a large (negative) offset. As a consequence the maximum tensile stress is highly reduced.

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