100-m Laser Strainmeter

for Geophysical Observations

Why in Kamioka mine ?	
1000-m underground	Low background vibration
	Stable temperature
Hard basement rock (Hida gneiss)	Stable long-term operation
Atotsugawa fault	Geophysical signals (strain drift and steps caused by fault motion)
Targets	
Earth's free oscillation	Earth's background free oscillation, Core modes, Outer-core resonances, etc. (10 ⁻¹³ at 0.1~10mHz)
Fault monitor with an absolute-length interferometer	
······ Exact determination of strain drift	
Baseline monitor for the CLIO interferometer	
Tools	
L-shape interferometer	···· Reduction of barometric noise
lodine-stabilized Nd:YAG laser (532nm)	
	···· Stability : <~10 ⁻¹³ at <0.1Hz
Absolute-length interferometer	
	Resonant-sideband method L~0.1µm, L=100m (Accuracy ~10 ⁻⁹)