



# Quantum-Coherent Coupling of a Mechanical Oscillator to an Optical Cavity Mode

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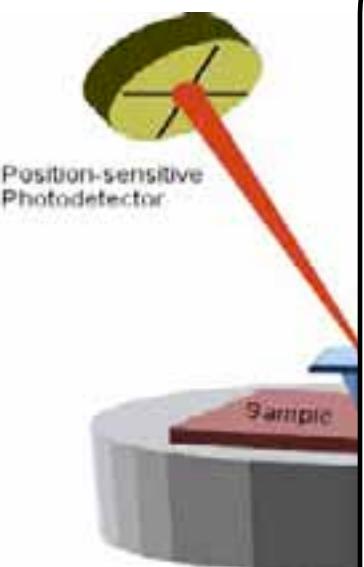


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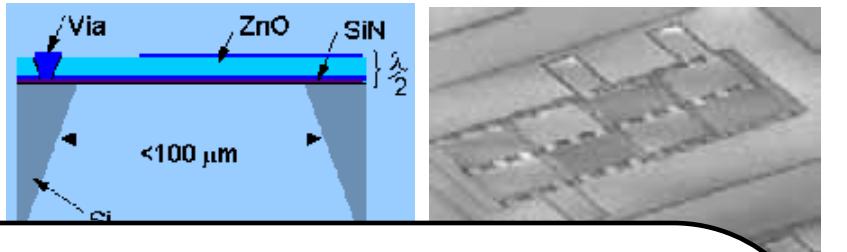




Quartz tuning f



Atomic force



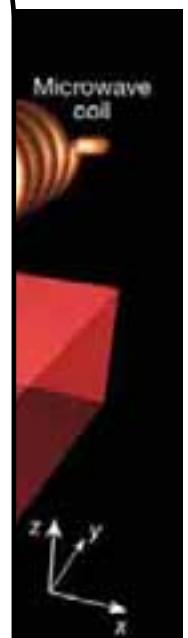
## Control of the quantum state of mechanical systems is challenging

High environmental occupation

$$\bar{n}_m = \frac{k_B T}{\hbar \Omega_m} \gg 1$$

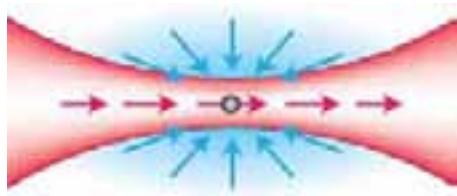
Sensitive readout required

$$\Delta x_{ZPF} = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\Omega_m}}$$



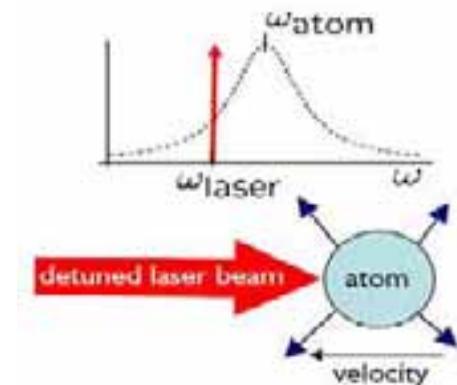
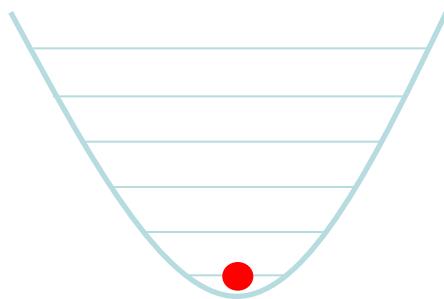
(San Jose)

# Quantum control in Atomic Physics



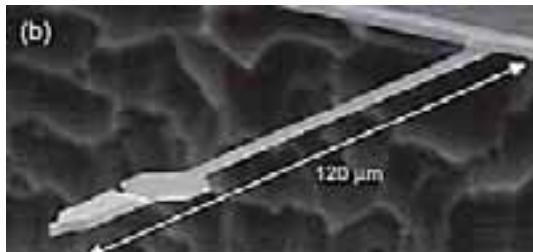
1970: Arthur Ashkin demonstrated radiation pressure trapping of dielectric particles

1975: Hänsch et Schawlow, Dehmelt et Wineland “Laser Cooling by Radiation Pressure”



1989: Ground state cooling of ions (Wineland)

Can quantum control be extended to NEMS / MEMS?

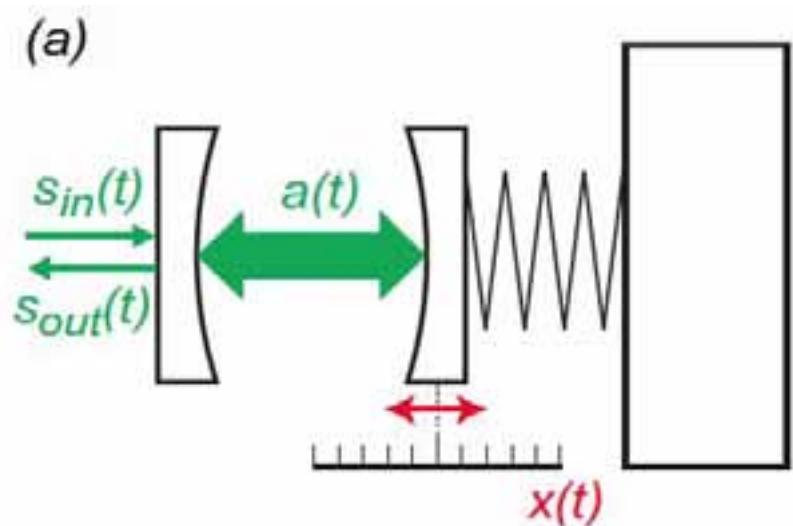




*INVESTIGATION OF DISSIPATIVE PONDEROMOTIVE EFFECTS OF  
ELECTROMAGNETIC RADIATION*

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Parametric, optomechanical coupling

$$\omega = \omega_c + G x(t)$$

$$G = \frac{d\omega}{dx} = -\frac{\omega_0}{L}$$

Hamiltonian description (K.C. Law)

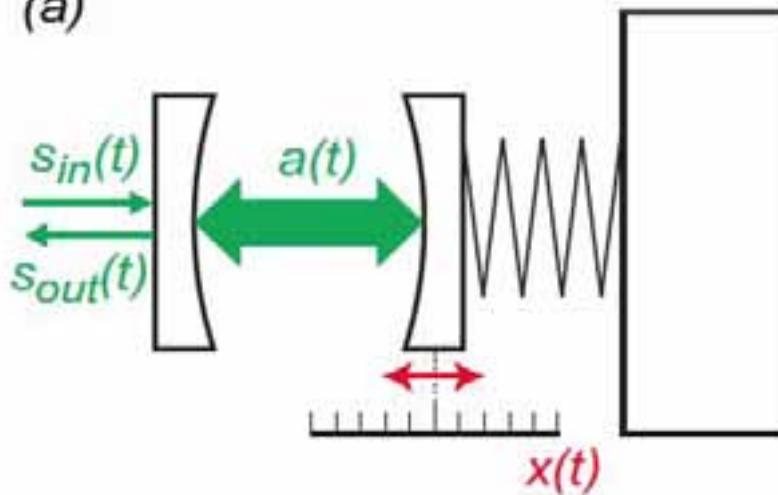
$$\hat{H}_{int} = \hbar G \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} \cdot \hat{x}$$

# Radiation pressure dynamical backaction

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + \frac{1}{2\tau_m} \frac{dx}{dt} + \omega_m^2 x = \frac{F_{rp}(x(t - \tau))}{m_{eff}}$$

$(\omega_m, Q_m)$

(a)



$$F_{RP}(x(t - \tau))$$

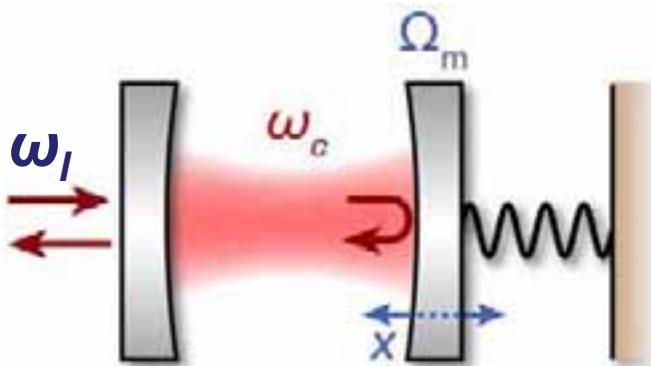
Predicted for more than 30 years,  
but only recently observed.

Velocity dependent term  
Amplification: Blue detuning  
Cooling: Red Detuning

$\Delta\gamma < 0 \Rightarrow$  Amplification

$\Delta\gamma > 0 \Rightarrow$  Cooling

# Radiation pressure effects on test masses



For a Fabry Perot:

$$G = \frac{d\omega}{dx} = -\frac{\omega_0}{L}$$

$$\hat{H} = \hbar\omega_c \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} + \hbar\Omega_m \hat{b}^\dagger \hat{b} + \hbar G \hat{x} \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a}$$

Optical readout:

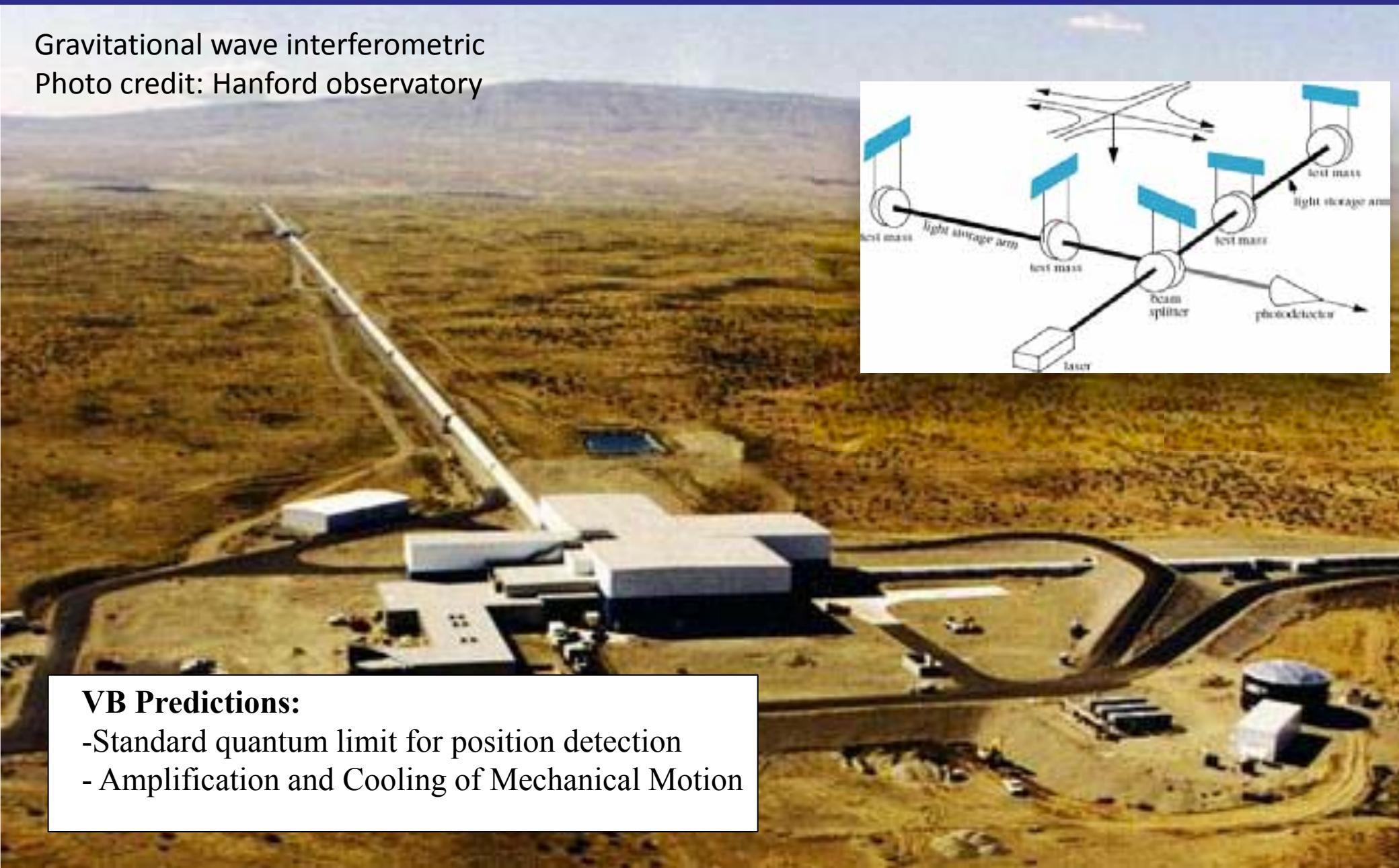
$$\frac{d}{dt} \hat{a} = \frac{i}{\hbar} [\hat{H}, \hat{a}] = i(\omega + G \hat{x}) \hat{a}$$

Radiation pressure  
back-action:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \hat{p} = \hat{F} = \frac{i}{\hbar} [\hat{H}, \hat{p}] = -\hbar G \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a}$$

# Parametric transducer – optomechanical coupling

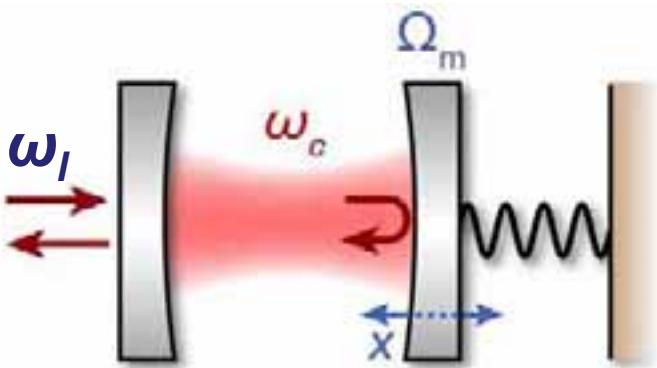
Gravitational wave interferometric  
Photo credit: Hanford observatory



## VB Predictions:

- Standard quantum limit for position detection
- Amplification and Cooling of Mechanical Motion

# Linearized optomechanical Hamiltonian



$$\hat{H} = \hbar\omega\hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} + \hbar\Omega_m\hat{b}^\dagger \hat{b} + \hbar G\hat{x}\hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a}$$

$\underbrace{\qquad\qquad\qquad}_{\hat{H}_{int}}$

Linearization around the driven cavity

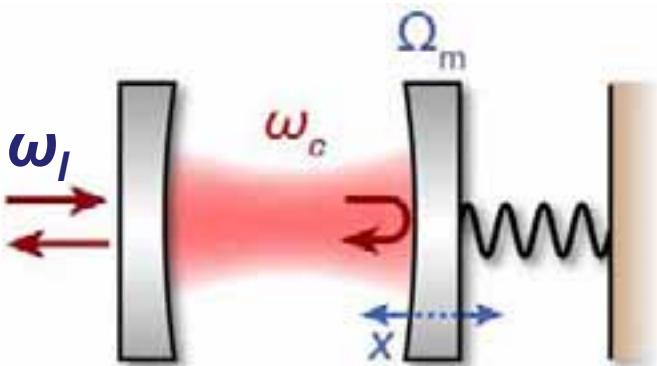
linearization:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \hat{a} = \bar{a} + \delta\hat{a} \\ \hat{x} = \bar{x} + x_{zpm}(\delta b + \delta b^\dagger) \end{array} \right.$$

Quantum theory of optomechanical cooling and strong coupling:

- I. Wilson-Rae, Nooshi, Zwerger, Kippenberg, PRL **99**, 093901 (2007)
- J. Dobrindt, Wilson-Rae, Kippenberg, PRL, **101**, 263602 (2008)
- F. Marquardt, Chen, Clerk, Girvin, PRL **99**, 093902 (2007)

# Linearized optomechanical Hamiltonian



$$\begin{aligned}\hat{H} = & \hbar\Delta\delta\hat{a}^\dagger \delta\hat{a} + \hbar\Omega_m\delta\hat{b}^\dagger \delta\hat{b} \\ & + \hbar G x_{ZPF} \bar{a}(\delta\hat{b} + \delta\hat{b}^\dagger)(\delta\hat{a} + \delta\hat{a}^\dagger)\end{aligned}$$

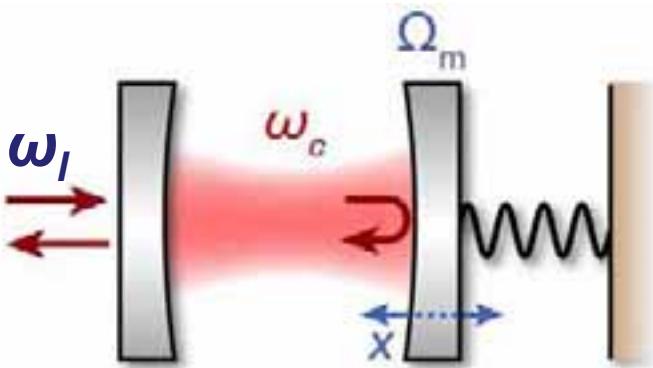
Resolved sideband regime,  $\Delta = -\Omega_m$ :

$$\hat{H}_{int} = \hbar\Omega_c/2(\hat{a}^\dagger \hat{b} + \hat{a} \hat{b}^\dagger)$$

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Corresponds to *state swapping* between optical and mechanical mode

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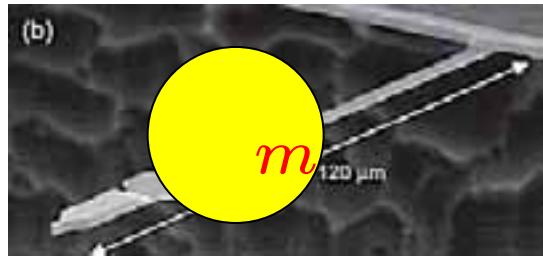
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# Weak coupling: optomechanical cooling

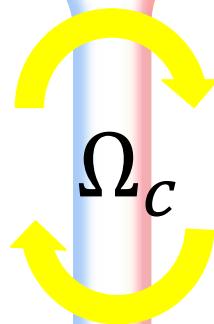
$$\hat{H}_{int} = \hbar \frac{\Omega_c}{2} (\delta\hat{a}^\dagger \delta\hat{b} + \delta\hat{a}\delta\hat{b}^\dagger)$$

$$\Omega_m \gg \kappa$$

## Mechanical oscillators



## Optical fields



$$\Omega_c = 2g_0 \sqrt{\bar{n}_p}$$
 Coupling rate between light and mechanical oscillator

Weak coupling    $\Omega_c < \kappa$    Cooling occurs if    $\kappa \gg \Gamma_m$

$$\Gamma_{eff} = \Omega_c^2 / \kappa$$

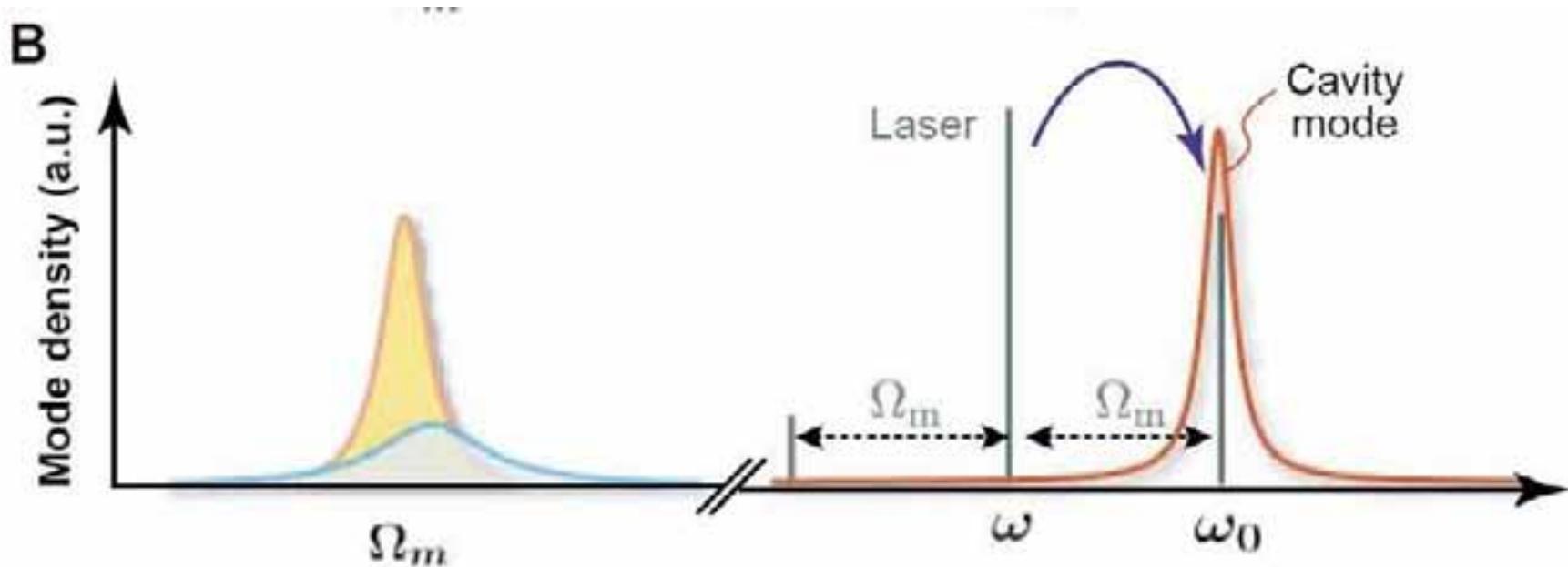
### Quantum theory:

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# Dynamical backaction cooling

$$\hat{H}_{int} = \hbar \frac{\Omega_c}{2} (\delta \hat{a}^\dagger \delta \hat{b} + \delta \hat{a} \delta \hat{b}^\dagger)$$



Resolved sideband cooling

$$\Gamma_{eff} = \Omega_c^2 / \kappa$$

Quantum theory :

$$n_f = \kappa^2 / 16\Omega_m^2 \quad \text{Only for:}$$

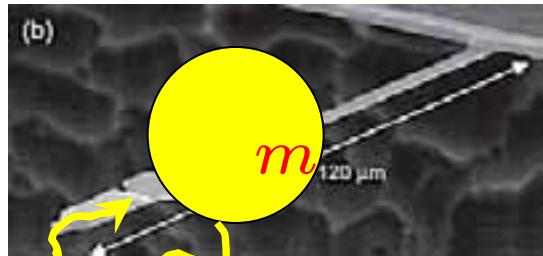
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# Coupling mechanical motion to an optical field

$$\hat{H}_{int} = \hbar \frac{\Omega_c}{2} (\delta \hat{a}^\dagger \delta \hat{b} + \delta \hat{a} \delta \hat{b}^\dagger)$$

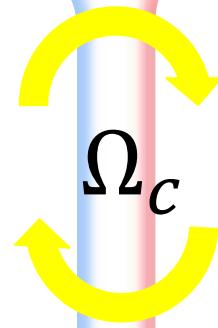
## Mechanical oscillators



$$\Gamma_m(\bar{n}_m)$$

Environment

$$\bar{n}_m = \frac{k_B T}{\hbar \Omega_m} \gg 1$$



## Optical fields



$$\kappa(\bar{n}_p + 1) \sim \kappa$$

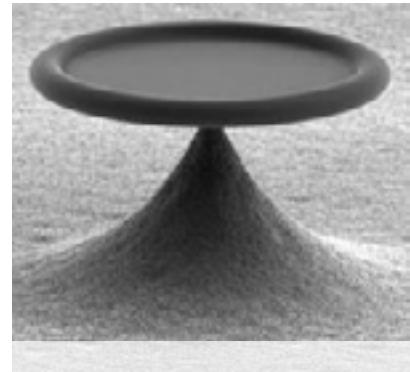
Environment

$$\bar{n}_p = \frac{k_B T}{\hbar \omega_l} \sim 0$$

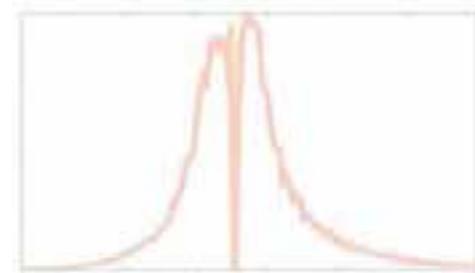
Quantum coherent coupling

$$\Omega_c > (\gamma, \kappa)$$

- Exploring cavity optomechanics with microresonators



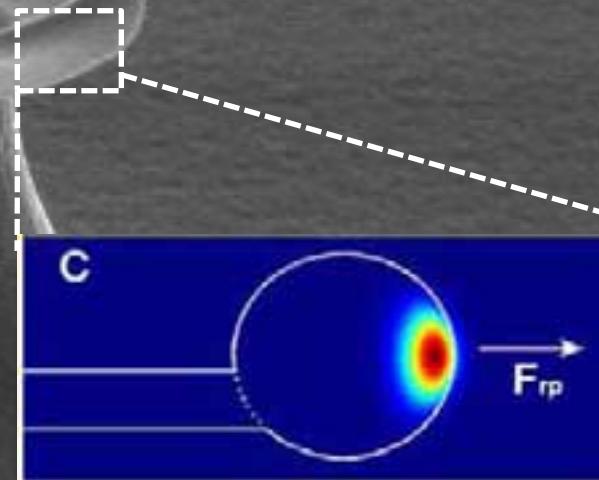
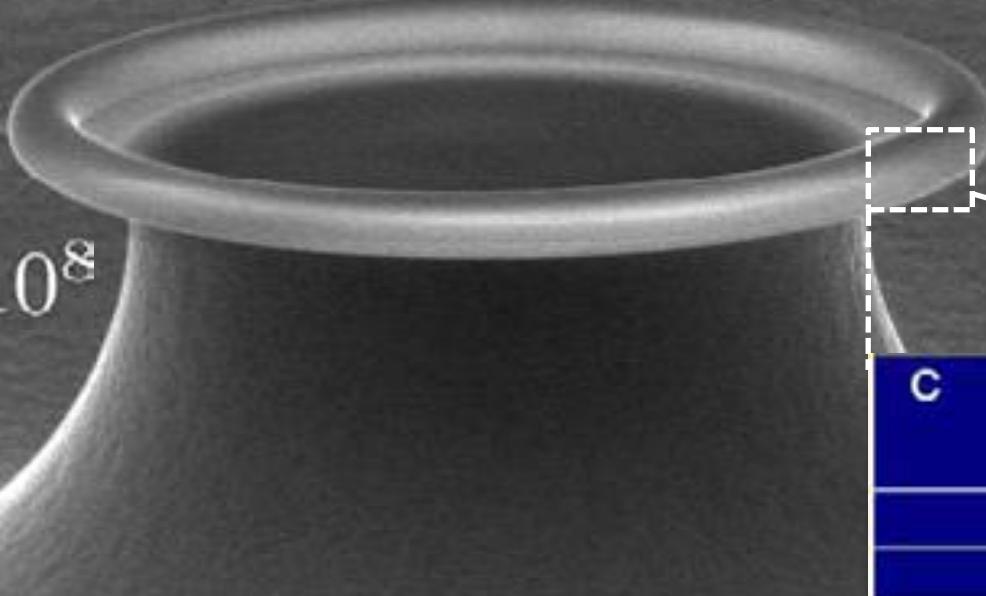
- Optomechanically Induced Transparency



- Quantum-coherent coupling of mechanical and optical modes



$$Q = \omega \cdot \tau > 10^8$$
$$F > 10^6$$



D. K. Armani, T. J. Kippenberg, S. M. Spillane, K. J. Vahala.  
*Nature* 421, 925-928 (2003).



**Insight: Mechanical vibrations also apply to the microscale\* optical microresonators**

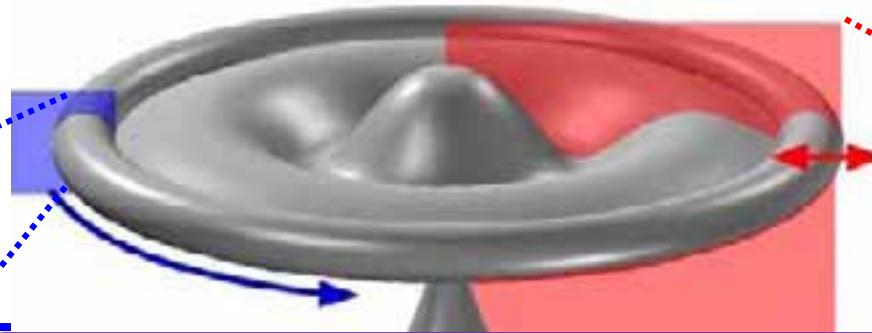
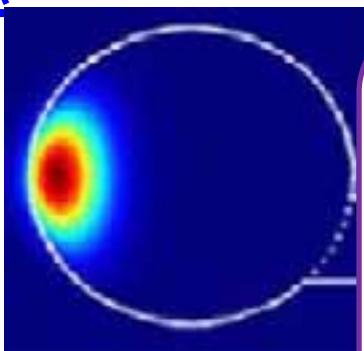
**-> Enabled a new class of cavity optomechanical devices**

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\*T. J. Kippenberg, H. Rokhsari, T. Carmon, A. Scherer and K.J. Vahala *Physical Review Letters* 95, Art. No. 033901 (2005)

## optical whispering-gallery-mode (WGM)

## mechanical radial-breathing-mode (RBM)



$$\hat{H}_{int} = \hbar G x_{ZPF} \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} (\hat{b}^\dagger + \hat{b})$$

$$\Omega_m \gg \kappa$$

$$g_0 = G x_{ZPF} \Leftrightarrow \Omega_0/2$$

Linewidth

Quality factor

Finesse

Free spectral range

$\approx 3 \cdot 10^3$

$\lesssim 10^6$

FSR  $\approx 1$  THz

Quality factor

Effective mass

zero-point fluctuations

$Q_m$

$m_{eff}$

$\Delta x$

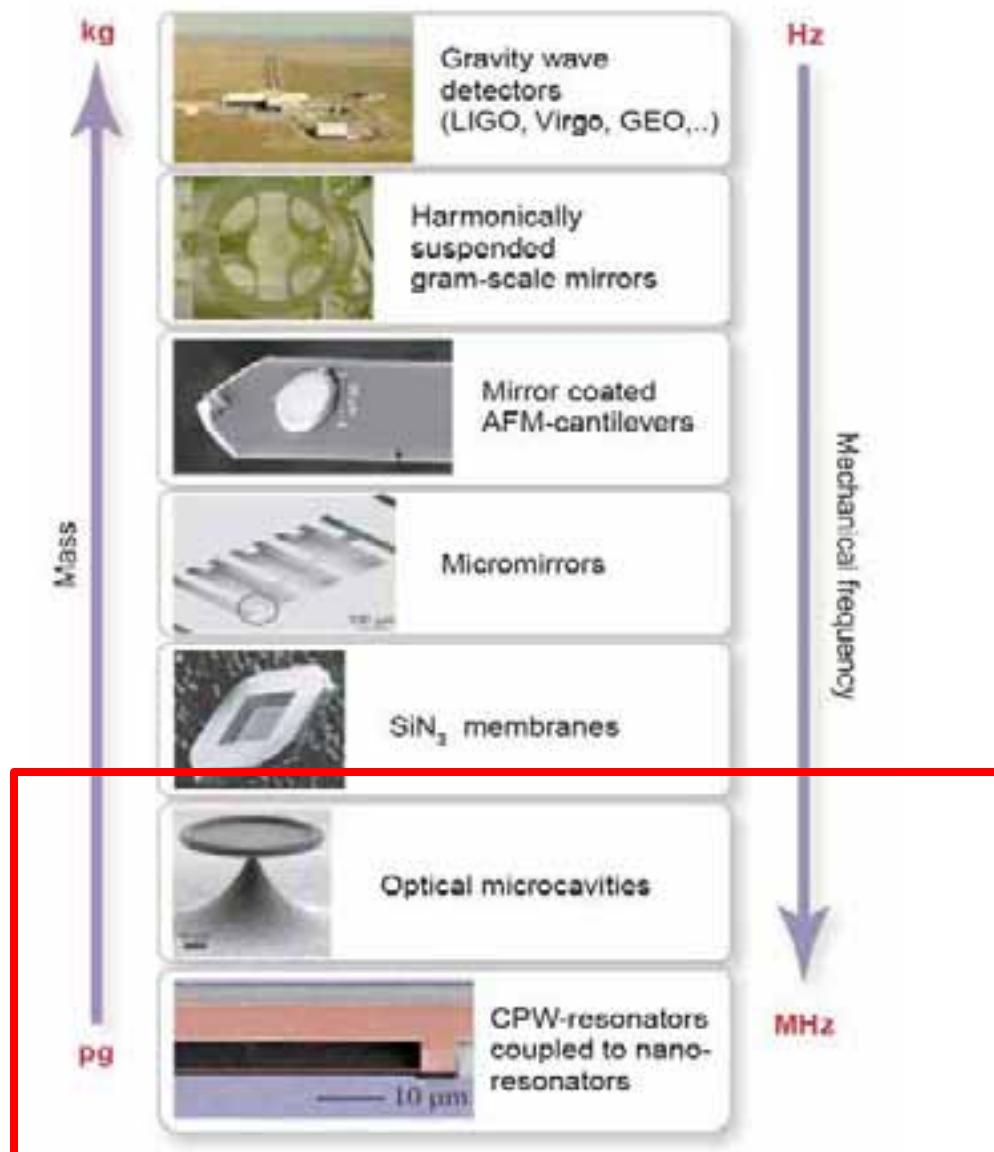
MHz

$\approx 50000$

$\approx 10^{-11}$  kg

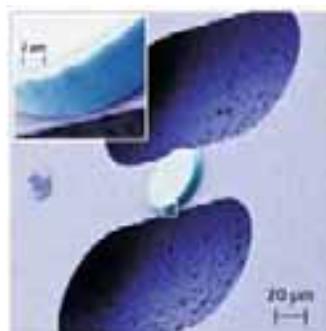
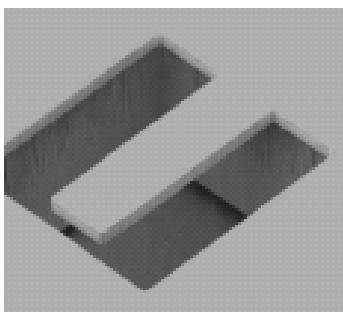
$\approx 150$  nm

# Examples of optomechanical devices

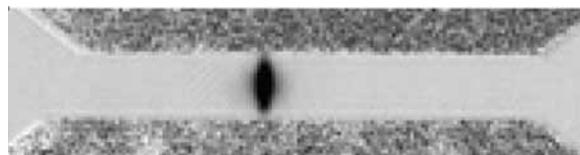


Cavity optomechanics in  
micro and nano-optical  
systems

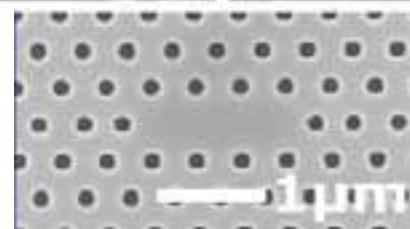
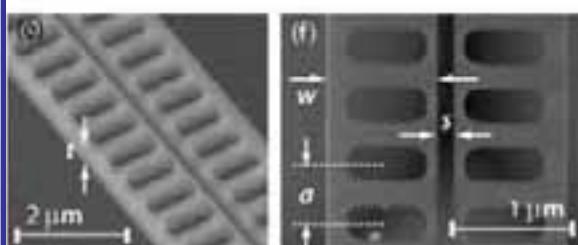
# Cavity optomechanical systems (2011)



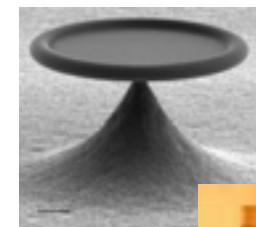
Movable mirrors and membranes:  
Caltech, MIT, Paris, UCSB, Vienna, Yale



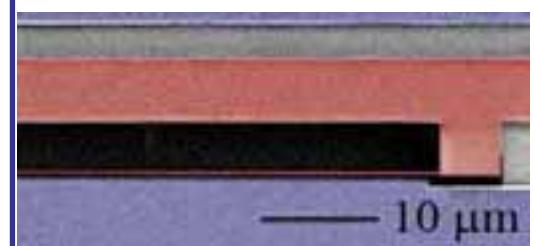
Cold atoms (simulators):  
Berkeley, ETHZ, MIT



Nanophotonic systems:  
Caltech, Ghent, EPFL



Whispering-gallery-mode  
resonators:  
Caltech, EPFL, MPQ

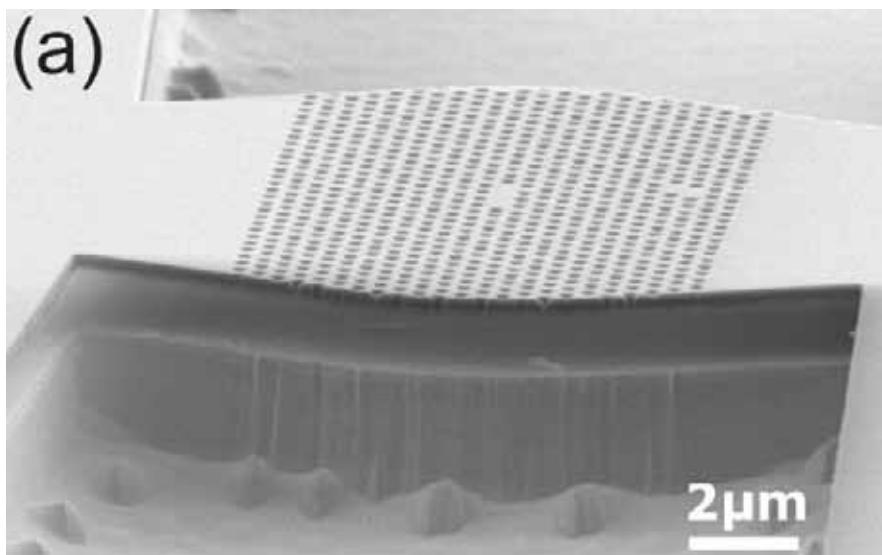


Microwave systems:  
Caltech, JILA, NIST, UCSB

Reviews: Kippenberg, Vahala, Science 321, 1172  
(2008) "Cavity Optomechanics"  
Marquardt, Girvin, Physics 2, 40 (2009)

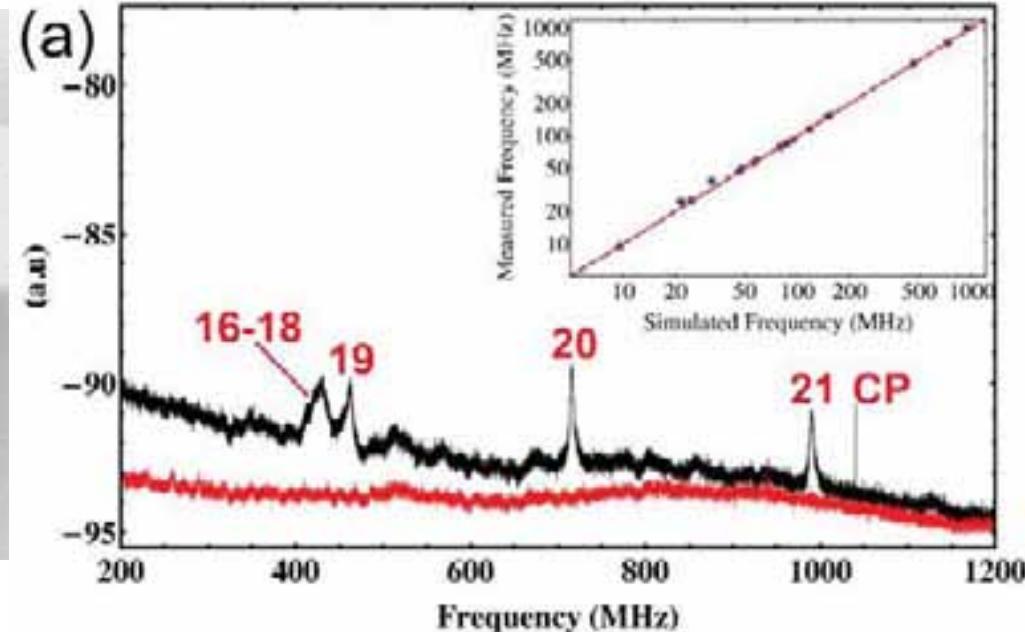
$$H_{int} = g_0 \hbar a^\dagger a (a_m^\dagger + a_m)$$

# Optomechanical coupling in 2 D photonic crystal cavities



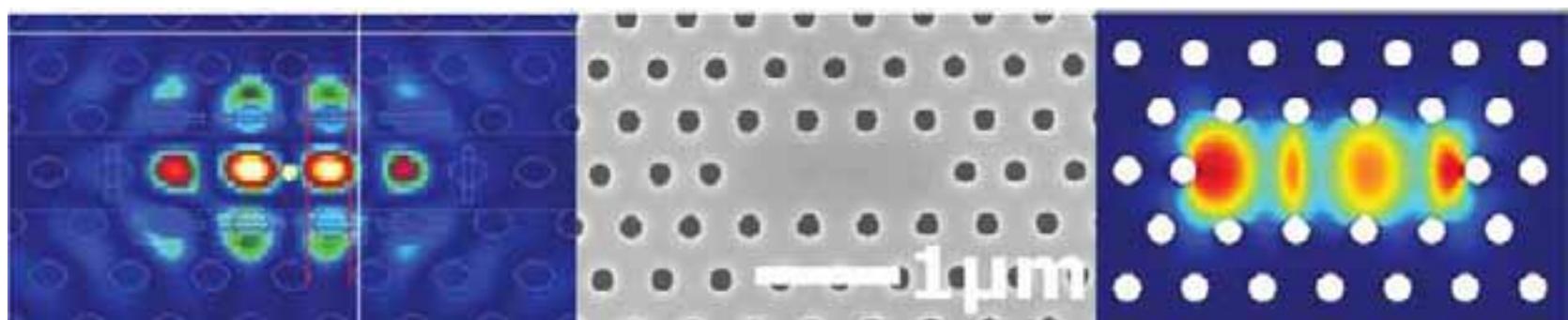
2-D defect cavity

Optical mode



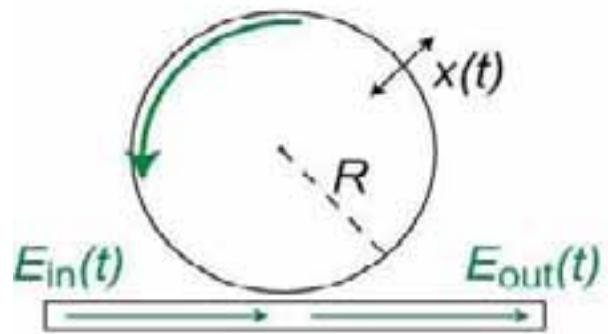
Photonic crystal cavity

Mechanical mode



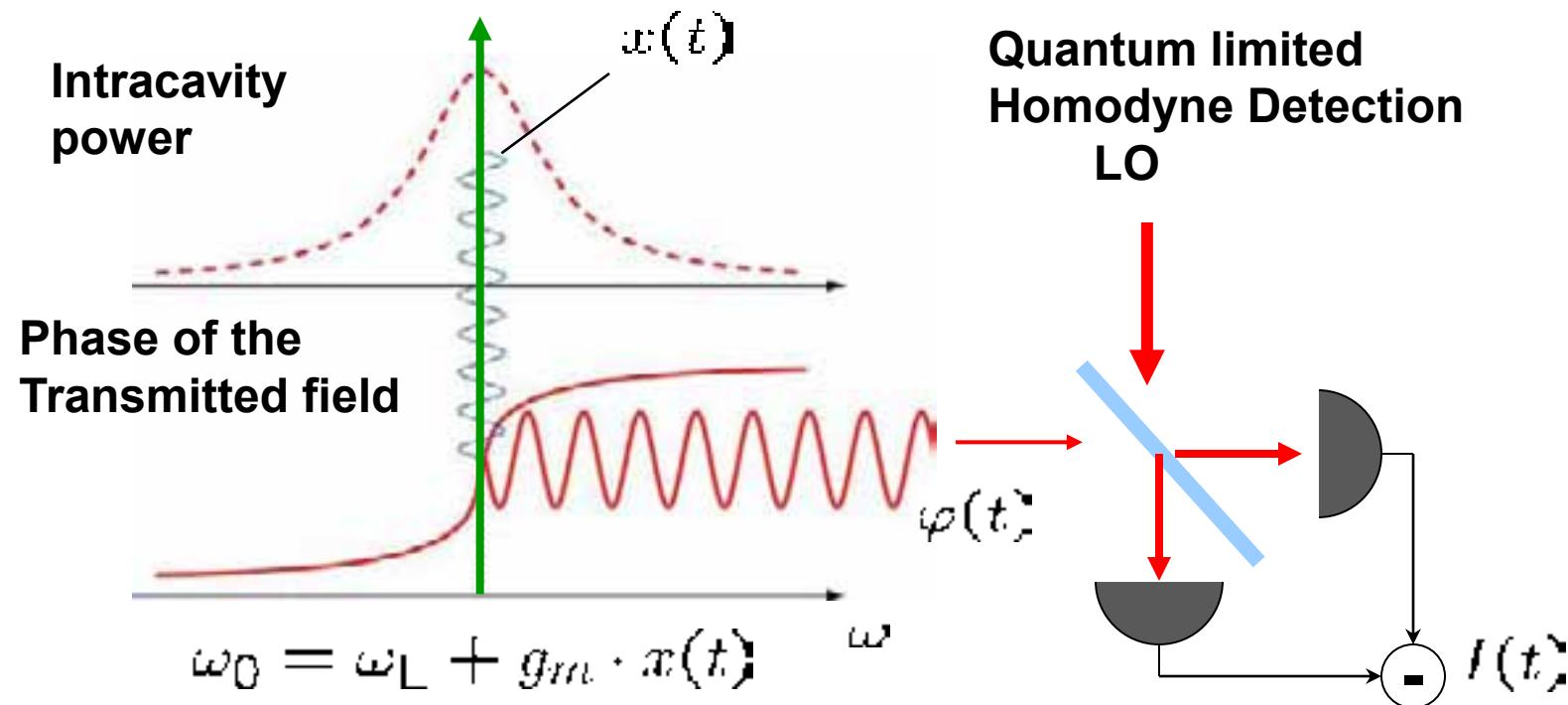
Collaboration LPN (CNRS)/EPFL

# Optomechanical coupling in a toroidal microcavity

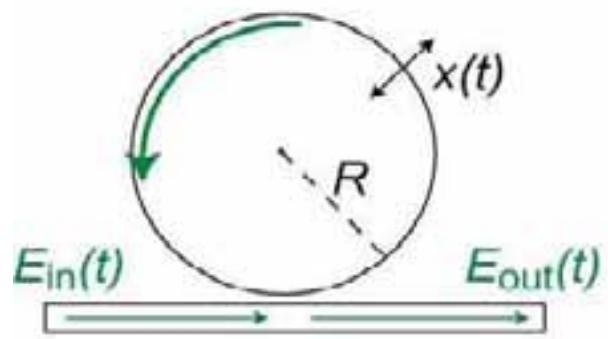


$$G/2\pi = 10^9 \text{ GHz/nm}$$

Critical coupling  $\kappa_{ex} = K_0$

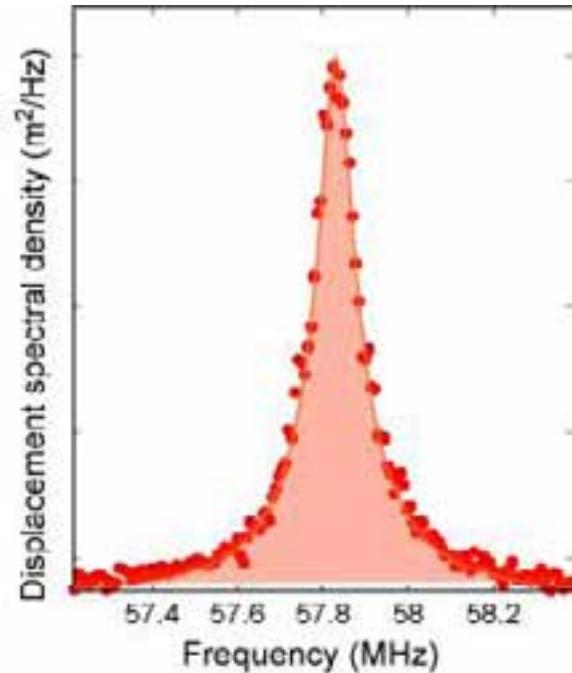
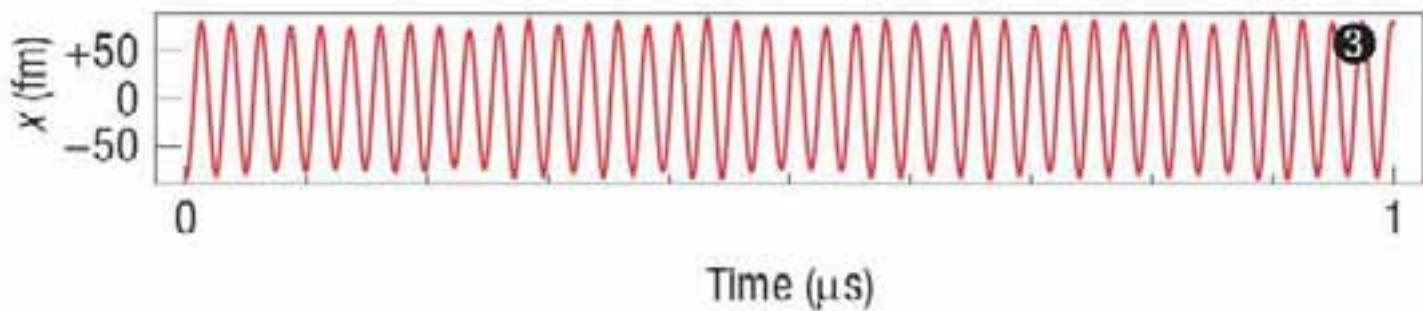


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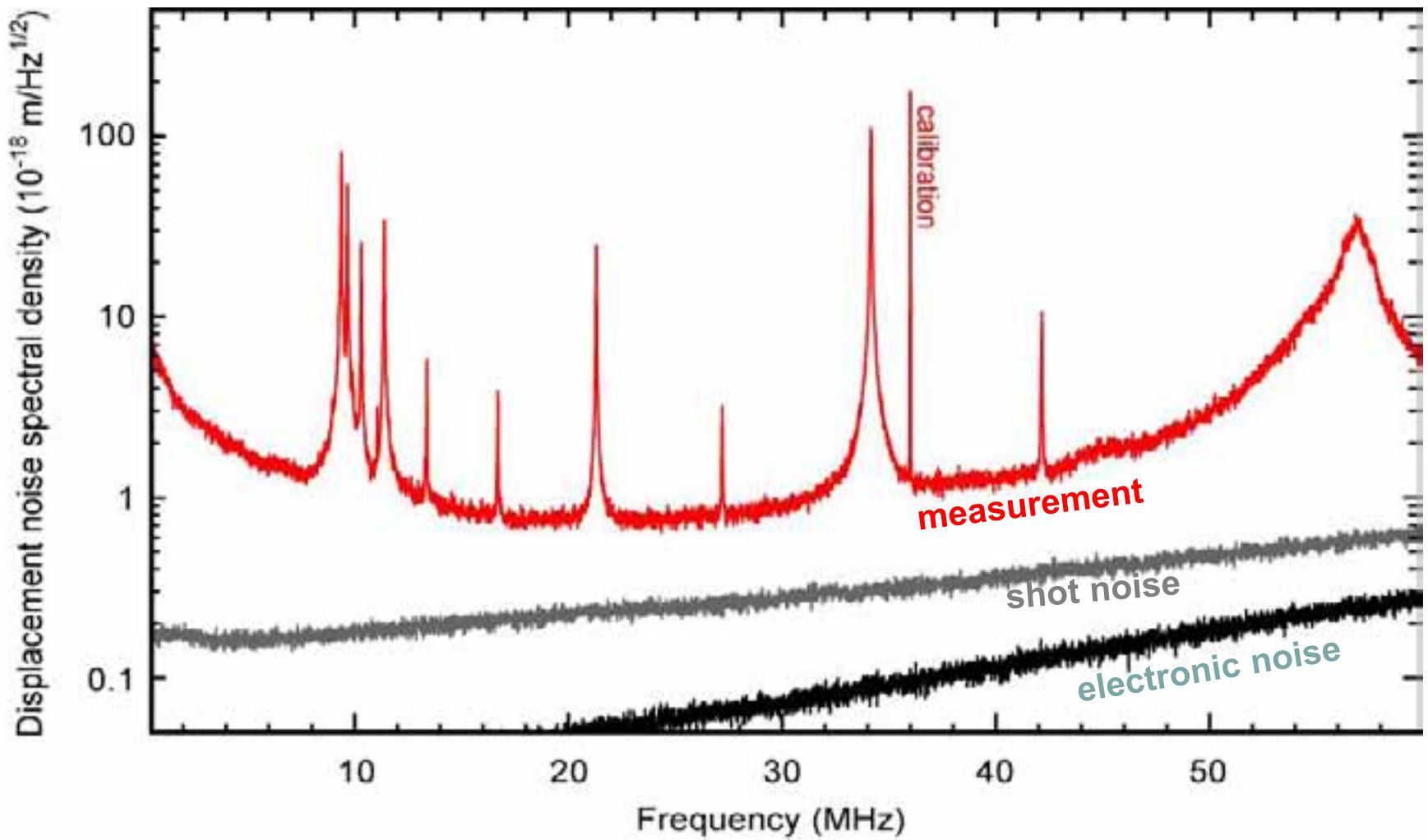


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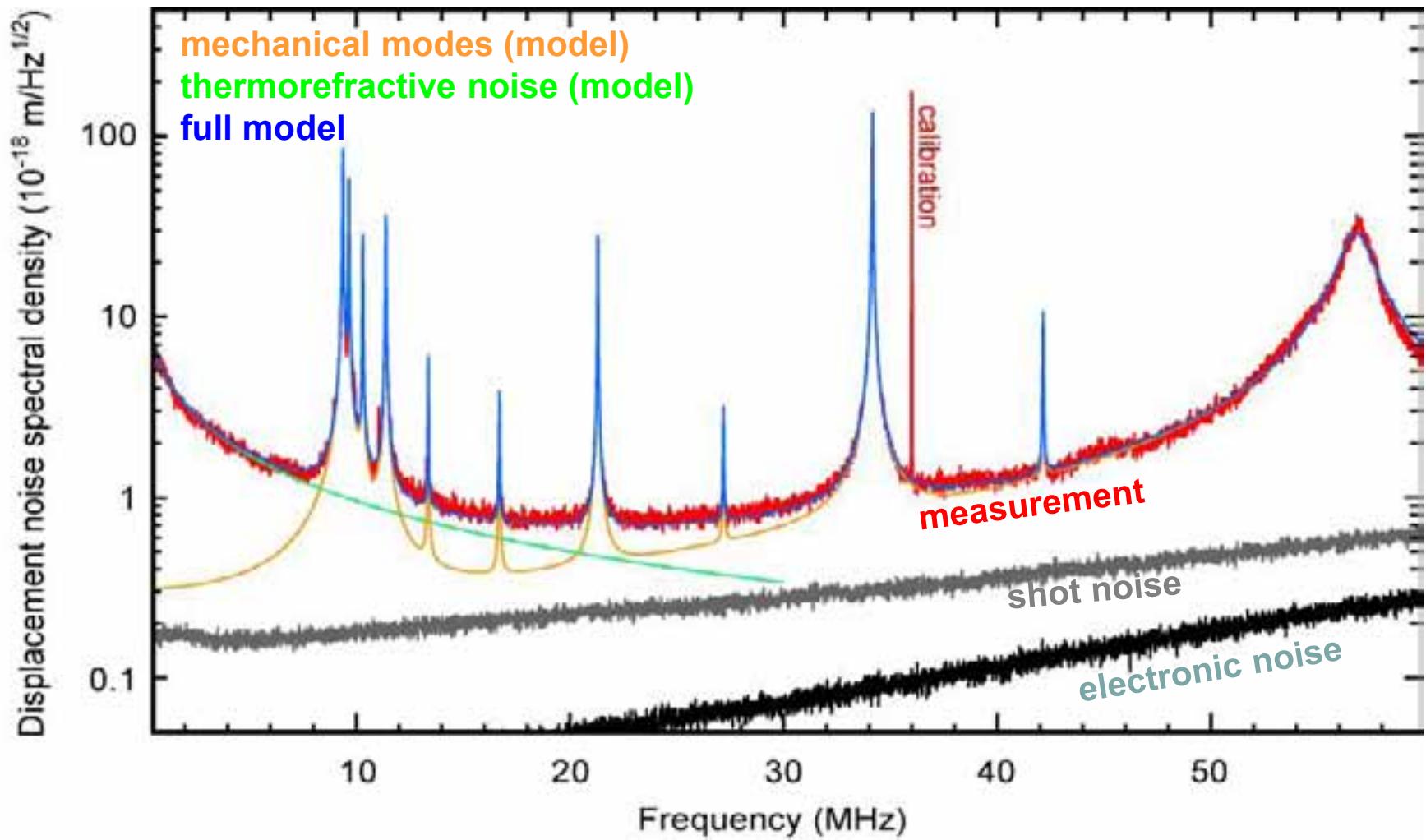
$$k_B T_{eff} = \int m_{eff} |x[\Omega]|^2 \Omega^2 d\Omega$$

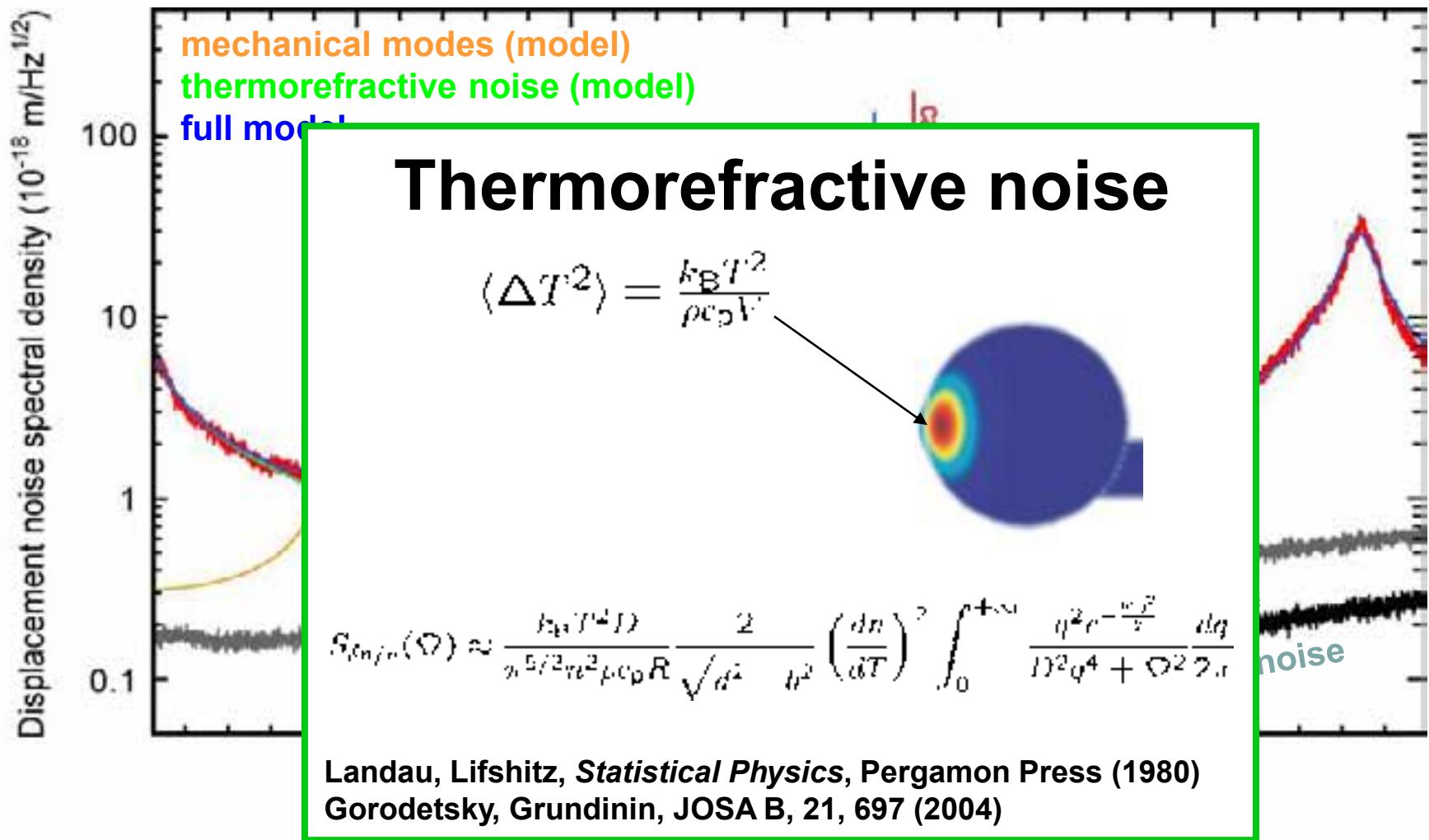


# Example: noise spectral density of a toroid microresonator

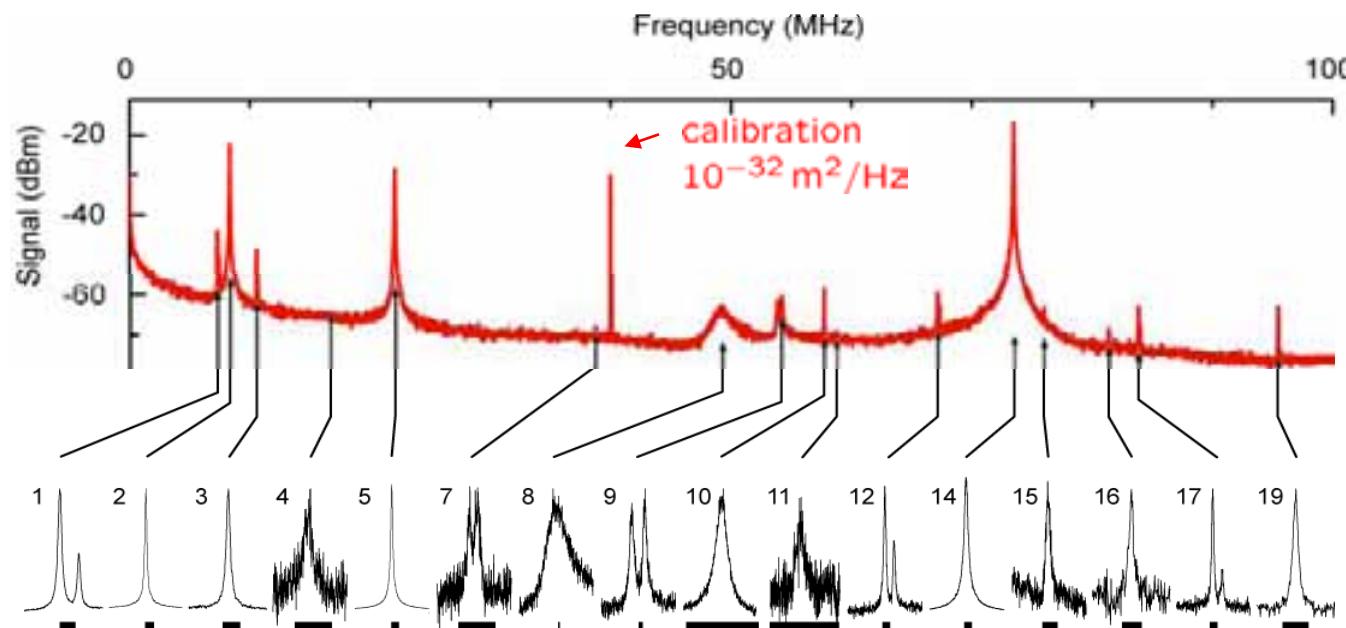


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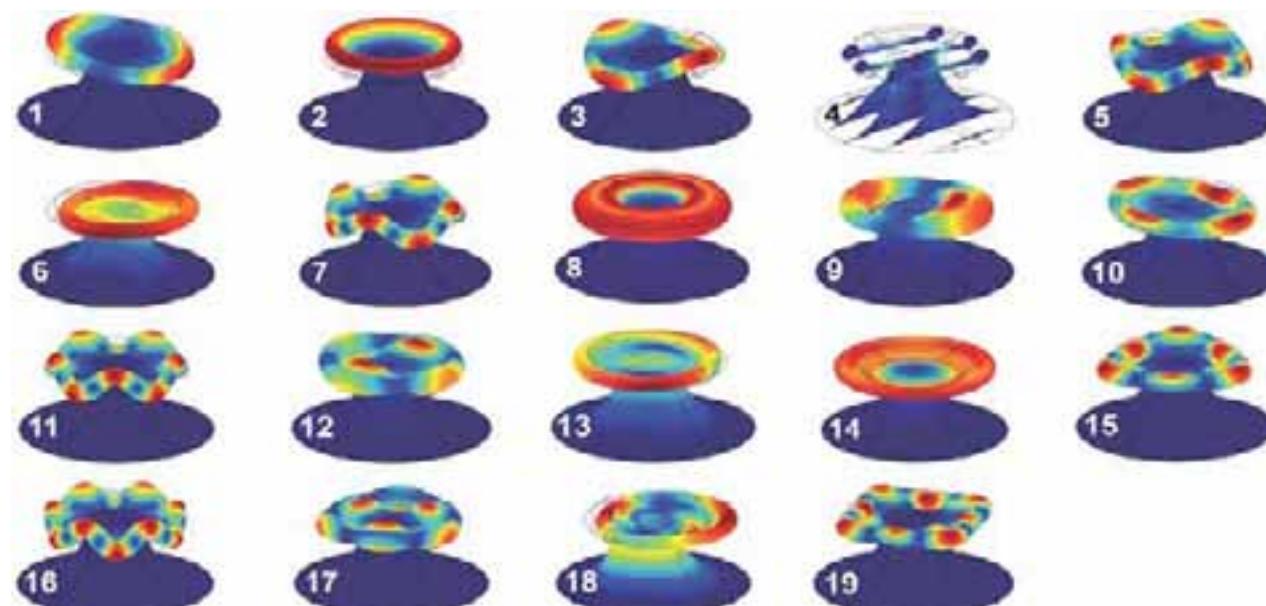


# Observing Brownian motion of toroid microresonators



measured  
mechanical  
spectrum

zoom on  
individual peaks



mode patterns  
obtained from  
finite element  
modeling

# Displacement sensitivity below that at the SQL

- Vacuum coupling strength

$$\langle \delta\omega^2 \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_{\omega\omega}(\Omega) \frac{d\Omega}{2\pi} = 2\langle n \rangle g_0^2$$

- Peak displacement spectral density

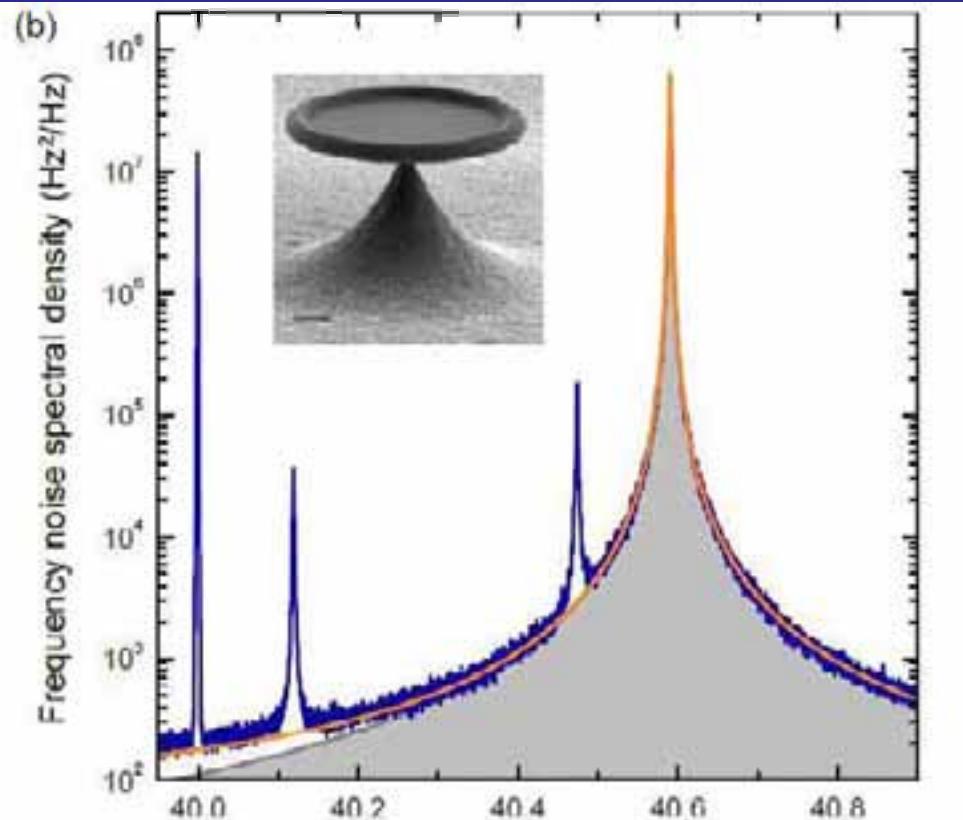
$$S_{xx} = 2\bar{n}_m S_{xx}^{zpm}$$

- spectral density of Zero Point Motion

$$S_{xx}^{zpm} = \frac{\hbar}{2m\Omega_m \Gamma_m}$$

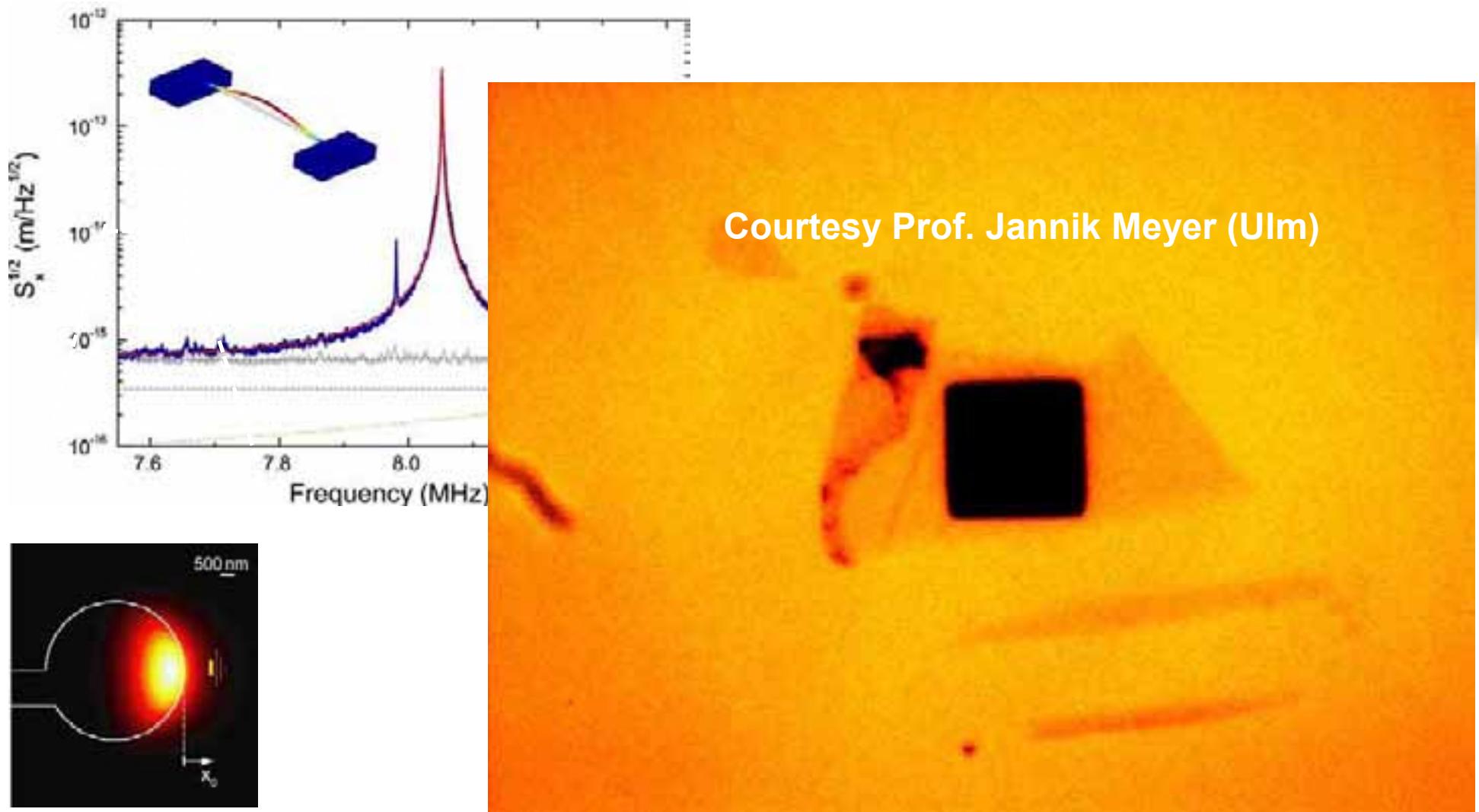
$$\frac{S_{xx}^{th}[\Omega_m]}{S_{xx}^{zpm}[\Omega_m]} > \sqrt{2\bar{n}}$$

$$\bar{n}_m \approx \frac{k_B T}{\hbar\Omega_m}$$



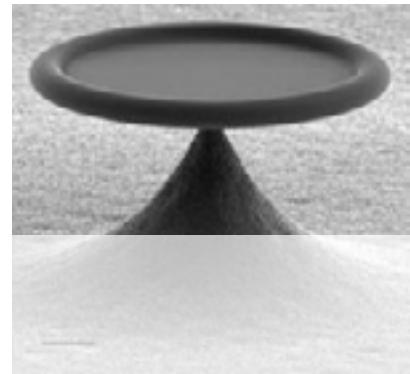
Applied phase modulation signal

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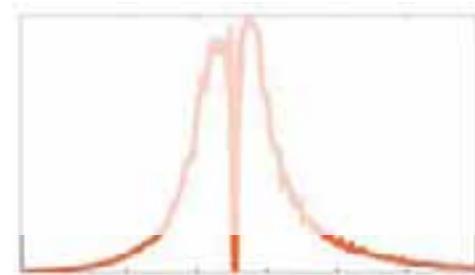


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- Cavity Optomechanics with silica microresonators



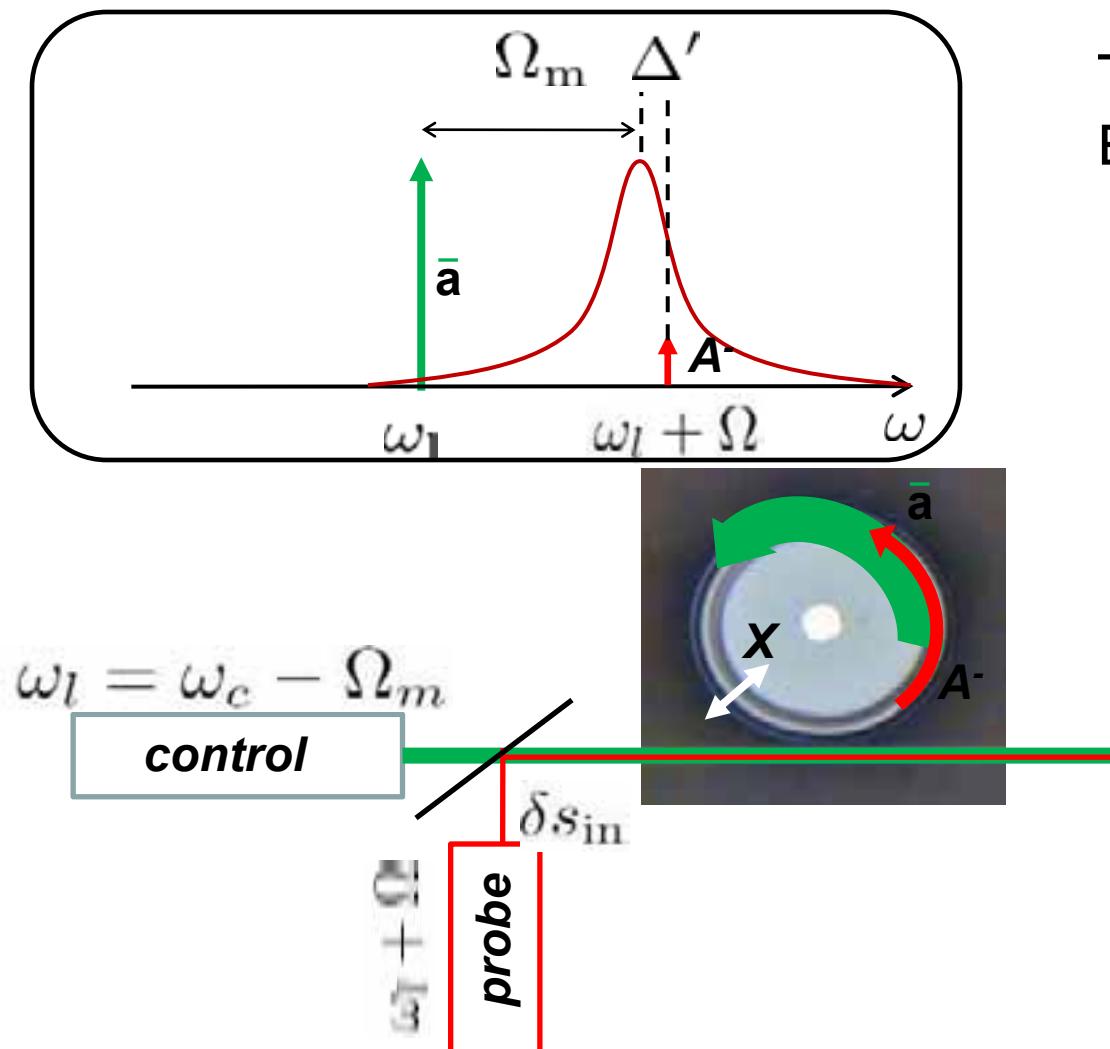
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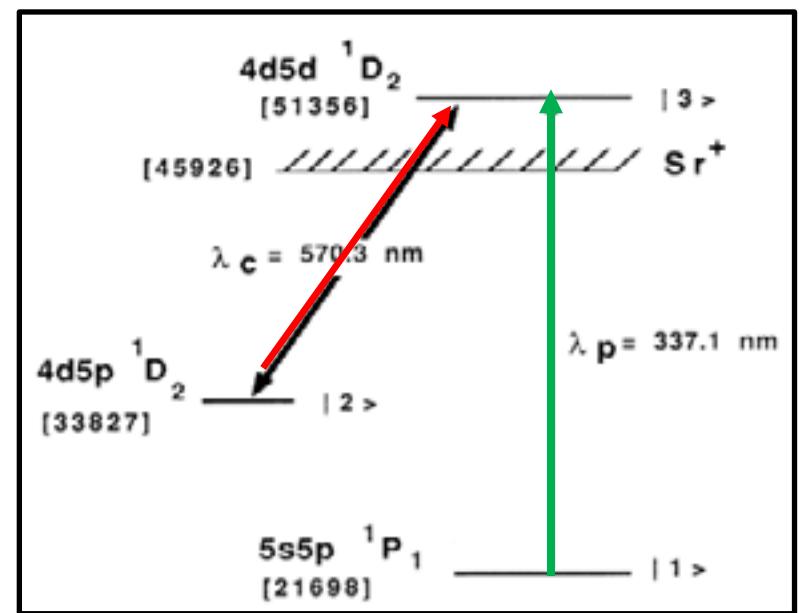
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# Coherent probing: Optomechanically Induced Transparency



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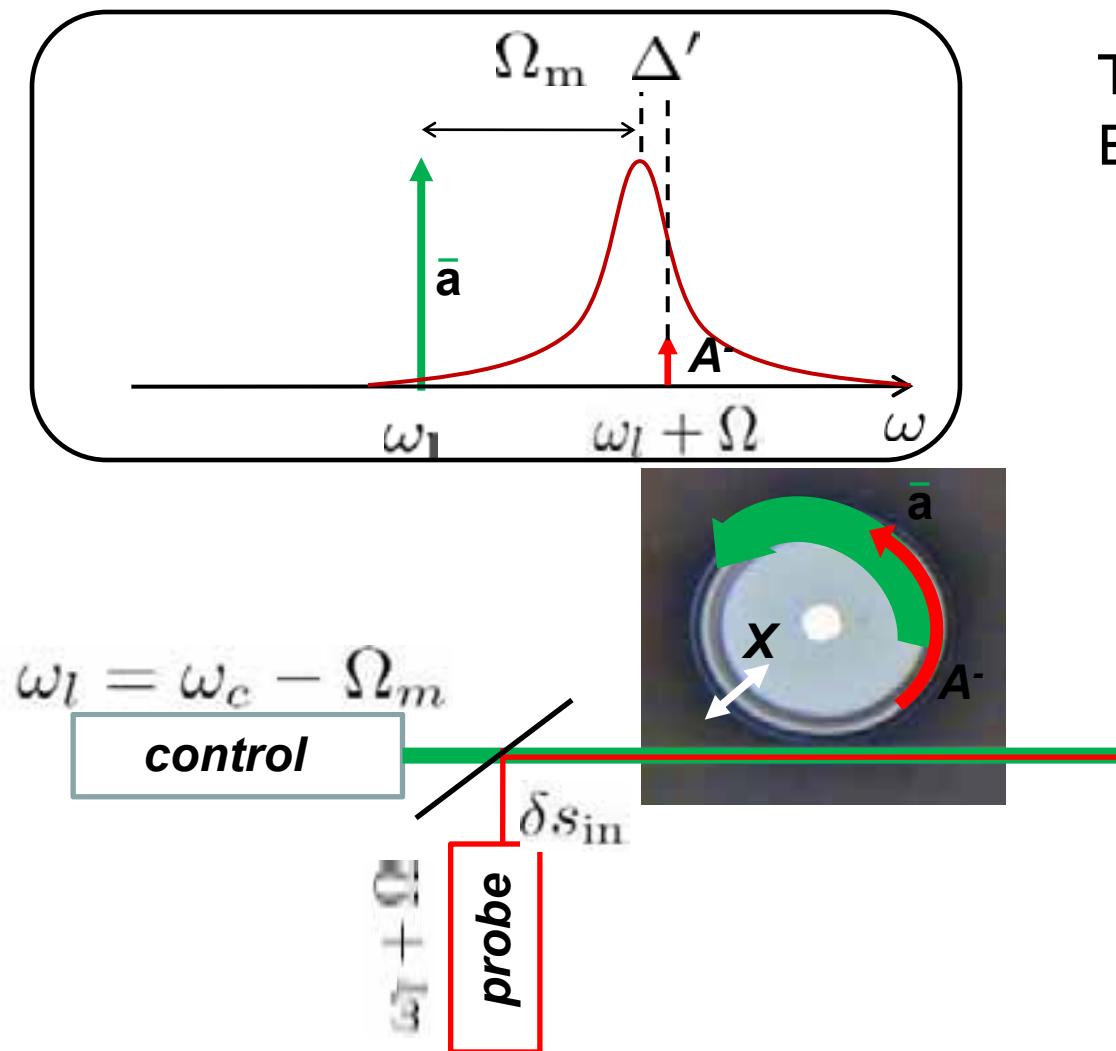
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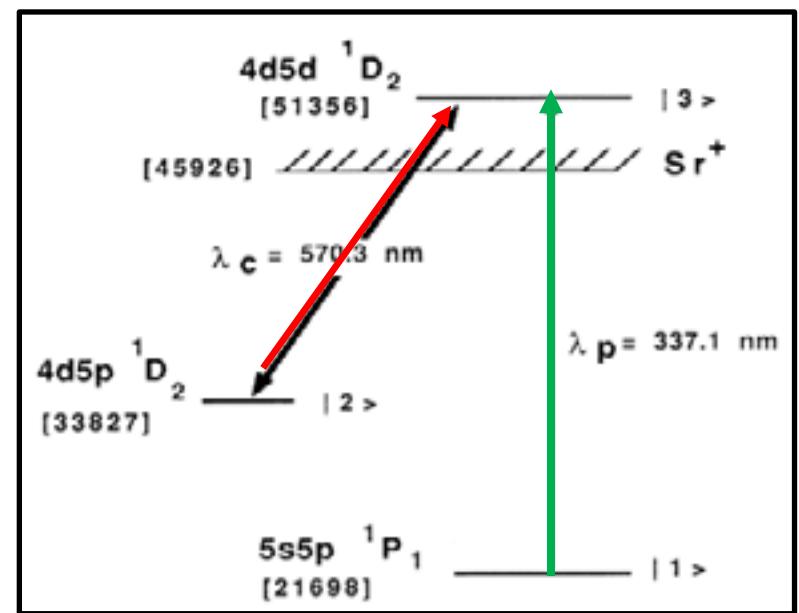
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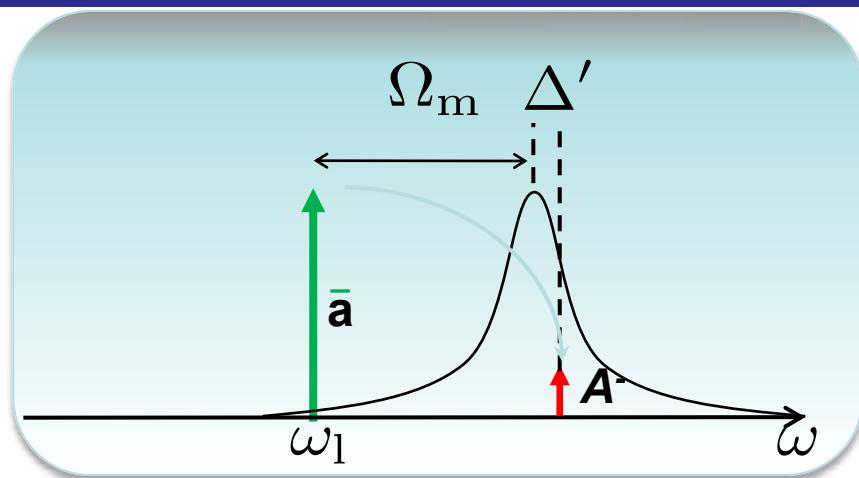
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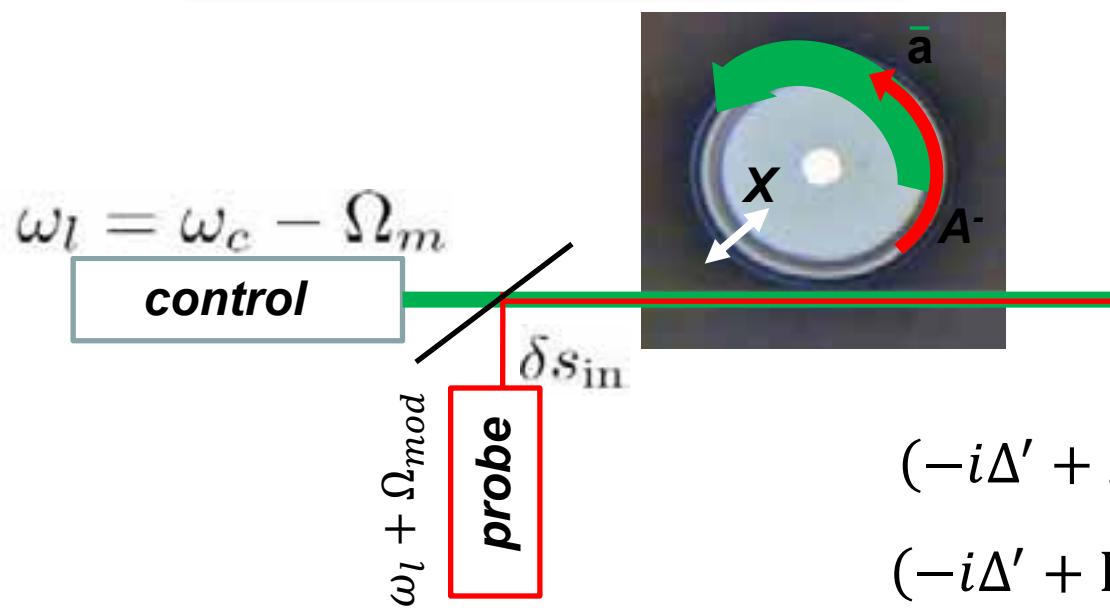
# Optomechanically induced transparency



$$\hat{H}_{int} = \hbar \frac{\Omega_c}{2} (\delta \hat{a}^\dagger \delta \hat{b} + \delta \hat{a} \delta \hat{b}^\dagger)$$

$$\delta \hat{a}(t) = A^- e^{-i\Omega_{mod} t}$$

$$\delta \hat{b}(t) = X e^{-i\Omega_{mod} t}$$



$$(-i\Delta' + \kappa/2)A^- = -i(\Omega_c/2)X + \sqrt{\kappa_{ex}}\delta s_{in}$$

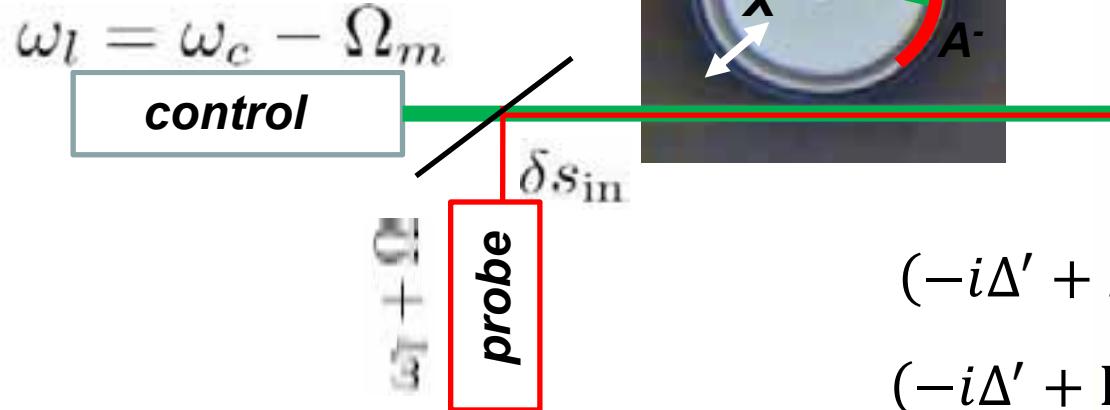
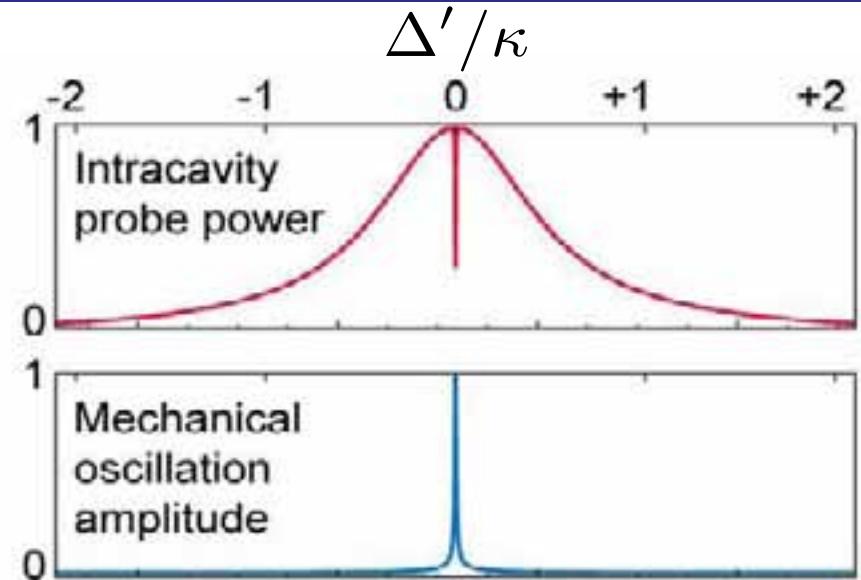
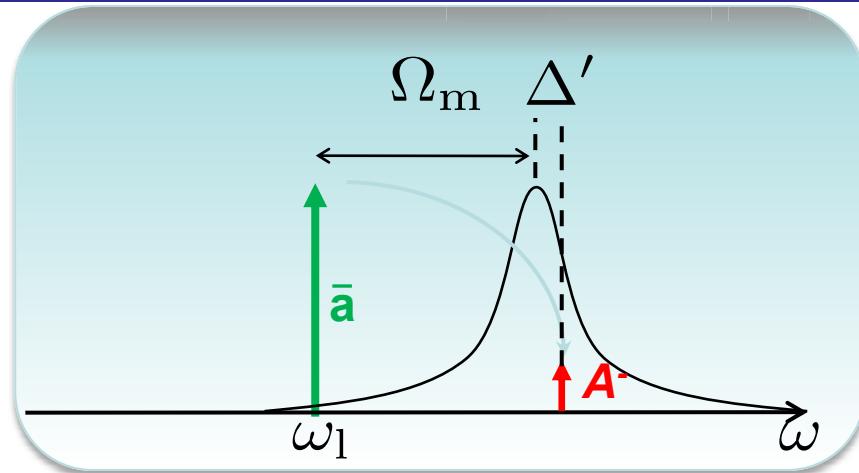
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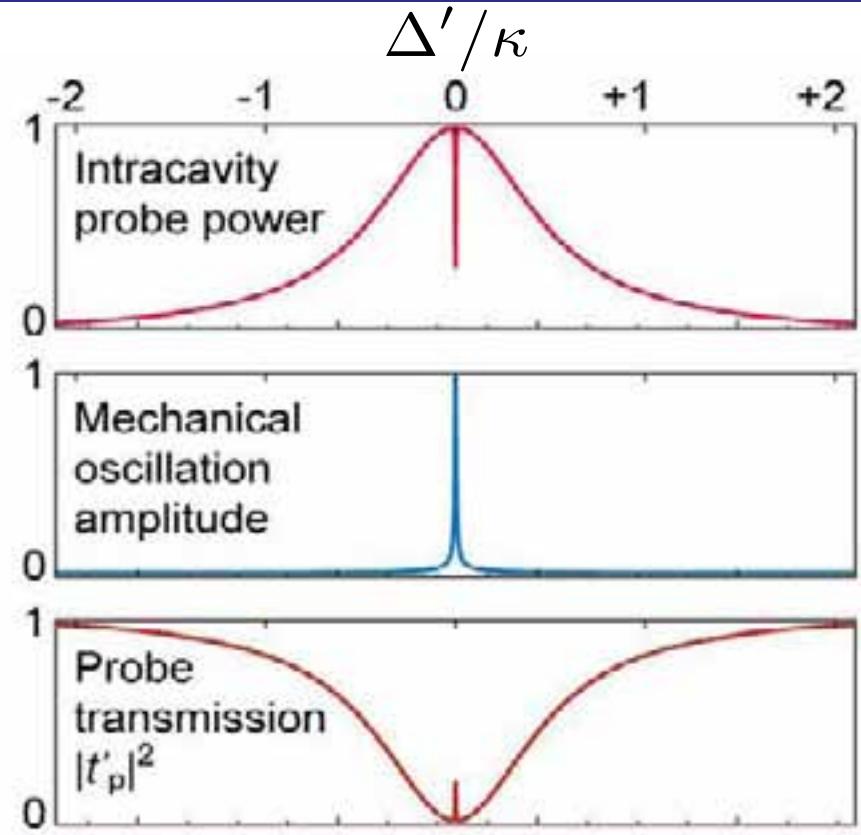
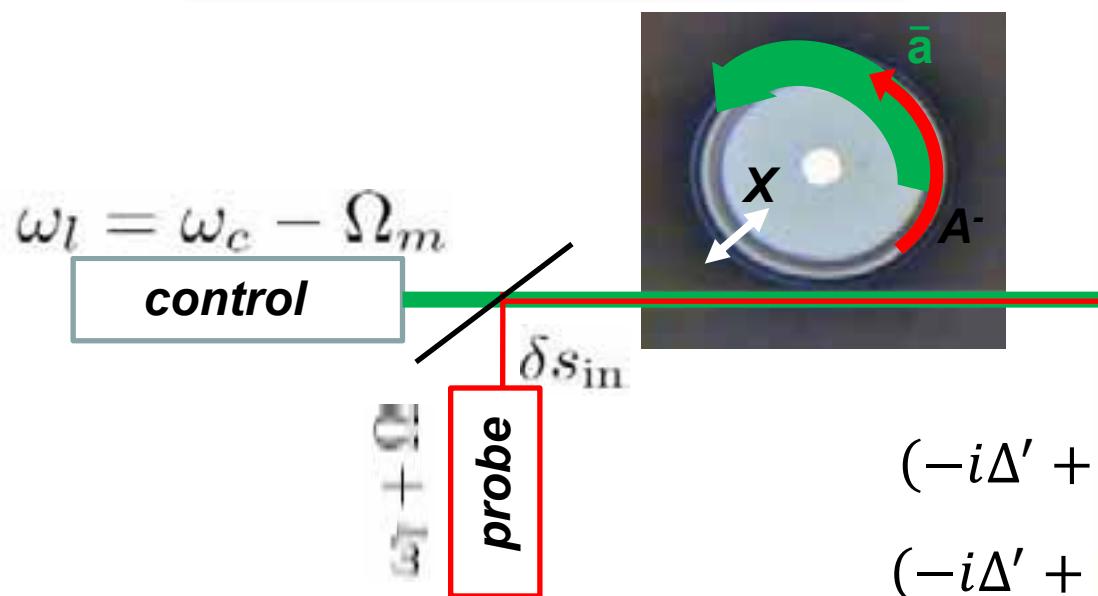
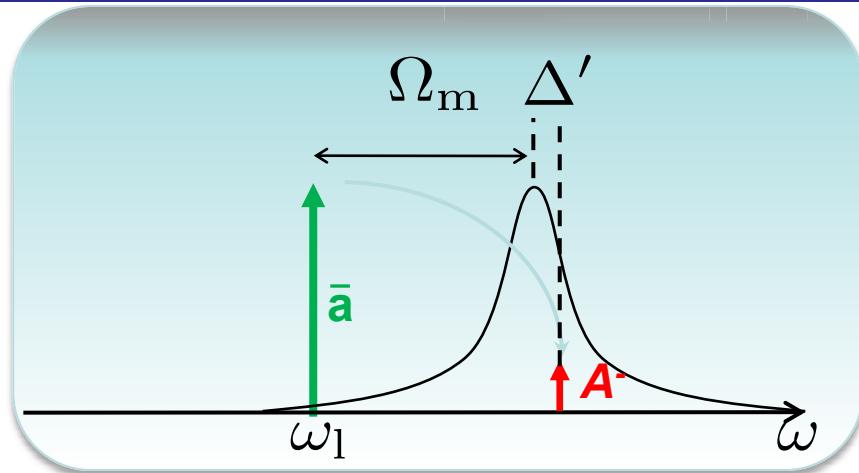


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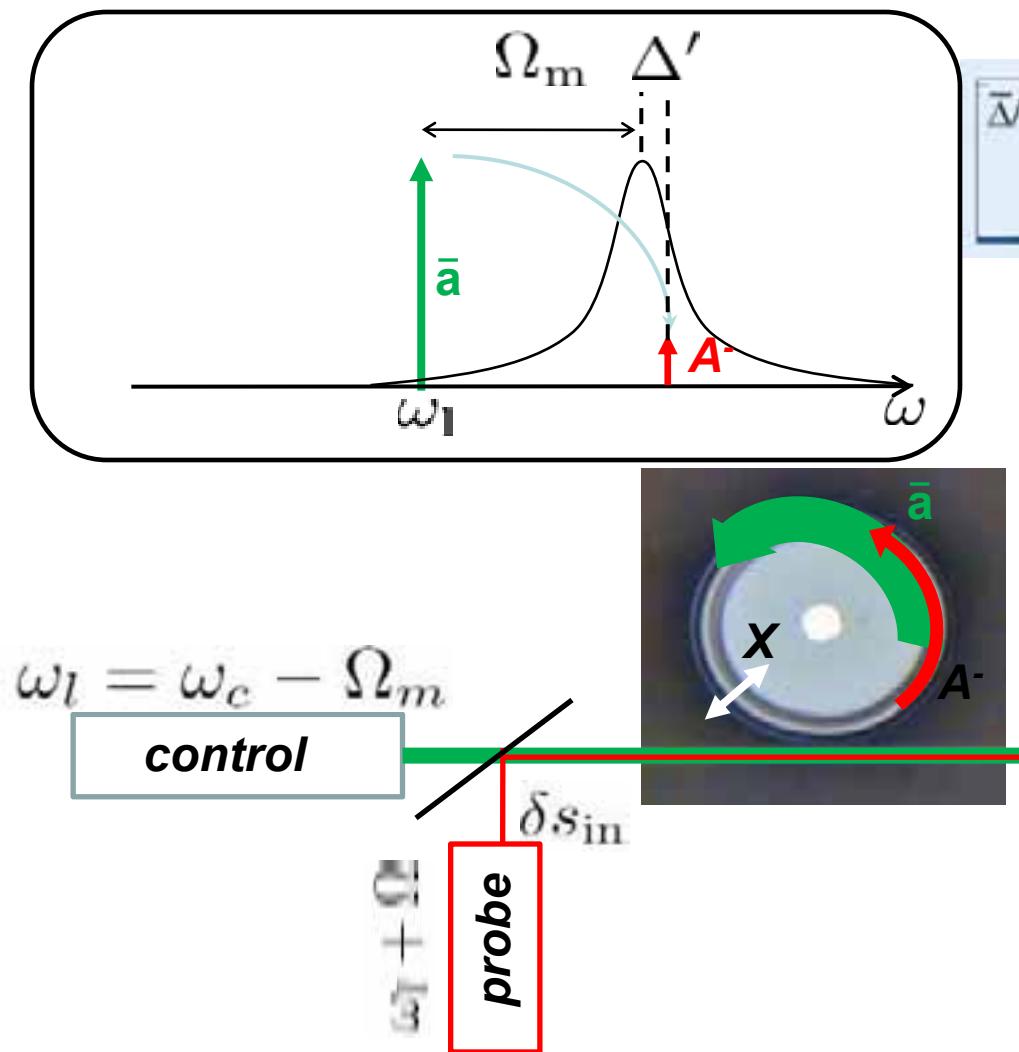


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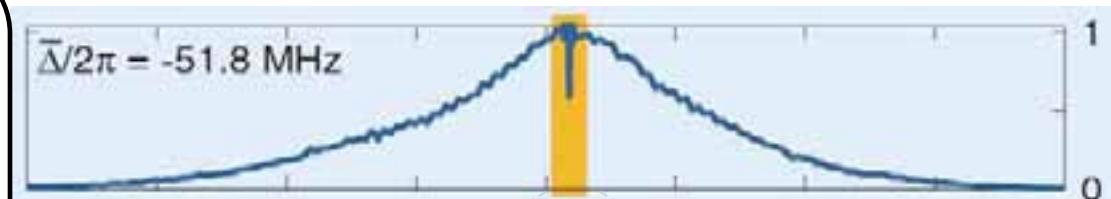
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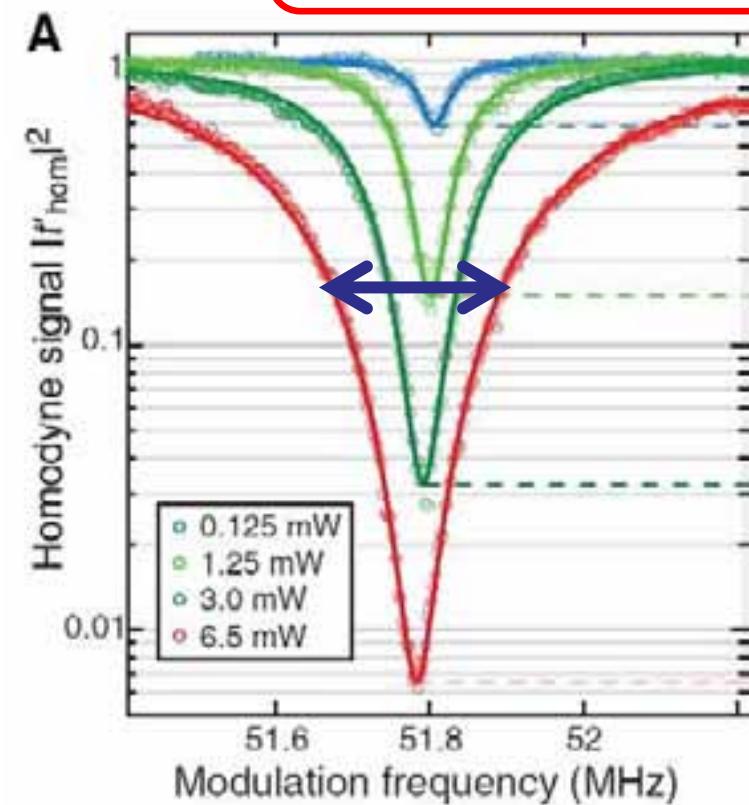
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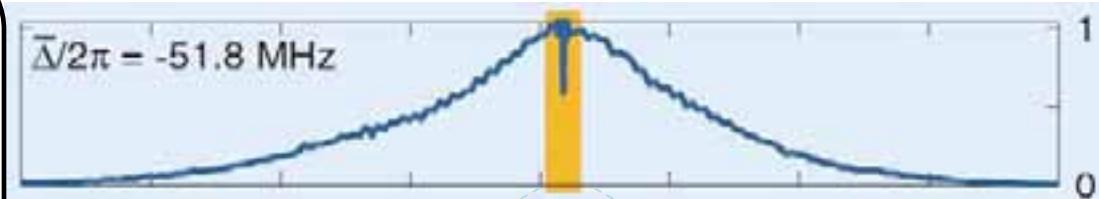
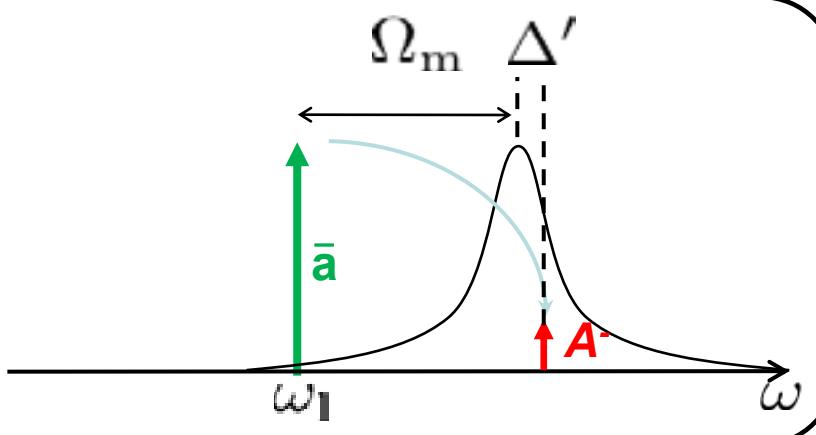
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$$\Gamma_{eff} = \frac{(2g_0\bar{a})^2}{\kappa}$$



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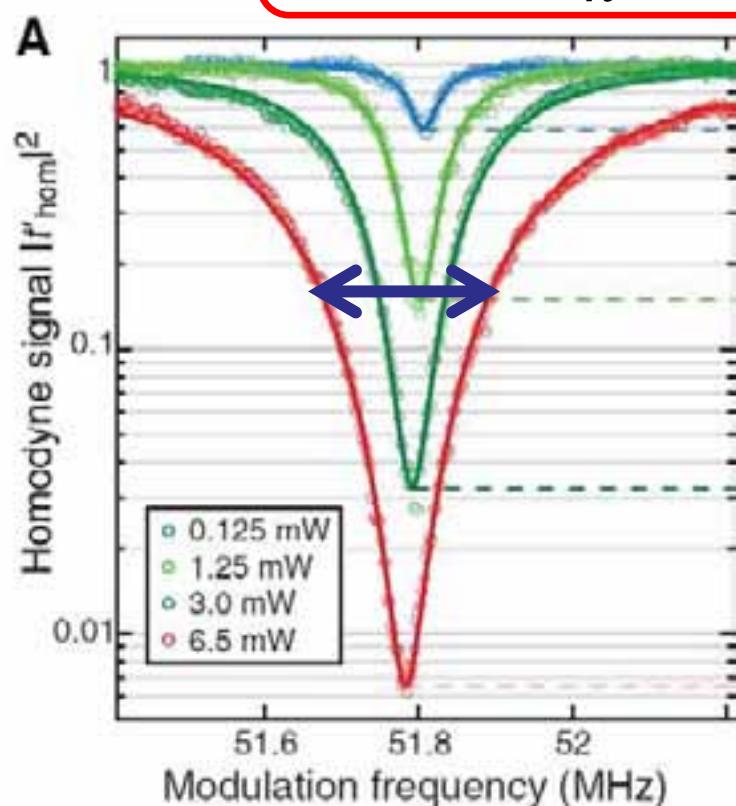
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**Transmission**

$$T(\omega = \omega_0) = \frac{C}{C + 1}$$

**Optomechanical cooperativity**

$$C = \frac{4 \bar{n}_p g_0^2}{\kappa \Gamma_m}$$



- Zhang, Peng, Braunstein, PRA 68, 013808 (203)  
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# Application of optomechanically induced transparency

## Strong nonlinearity, strong coupling

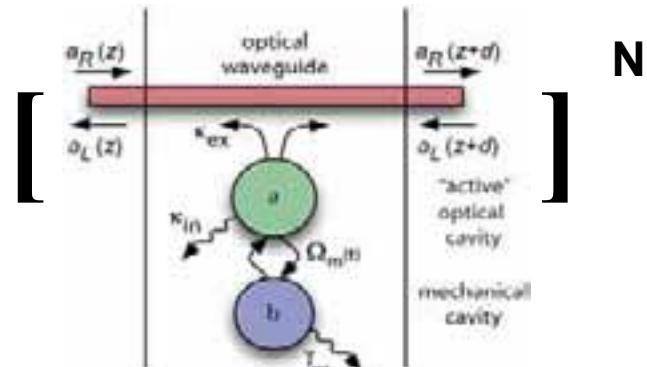
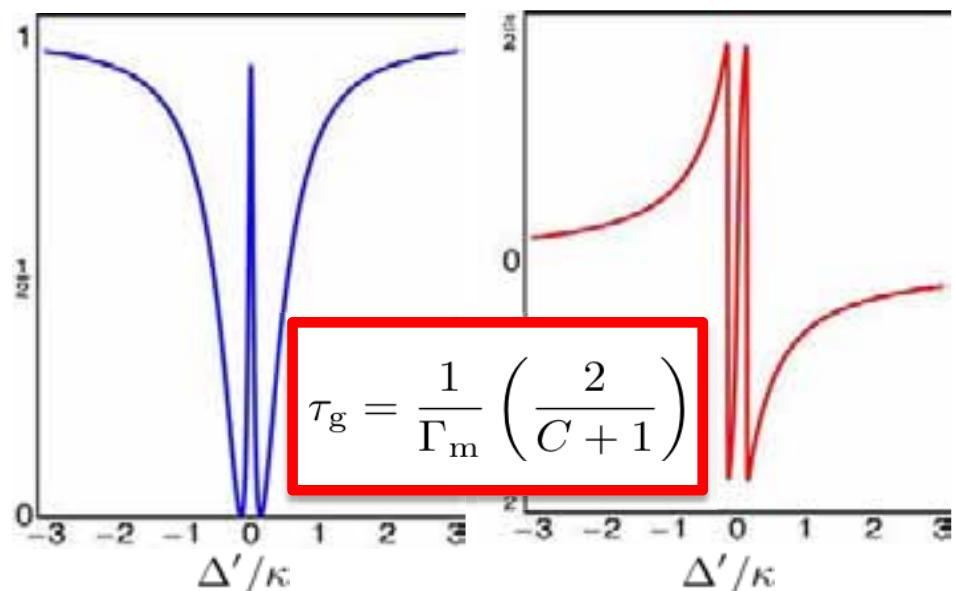
Intracavity pump photons required for C=1

Reference	n
This work	20000
Optimized toroids*	1000
MW electromechanics	100
Integrated nanooptomechanics	10

See also

- Gröblacher *et al.* Nature 460, 724 (2009)  
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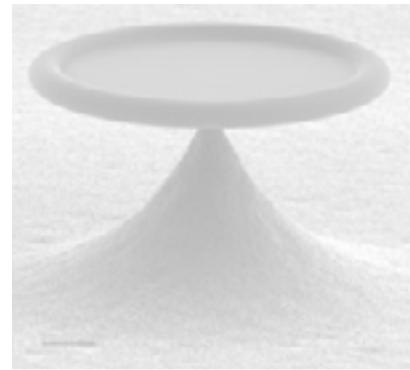
## Tunable group delay



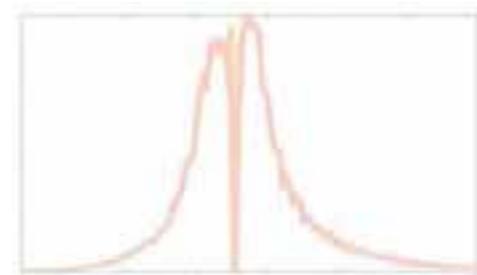
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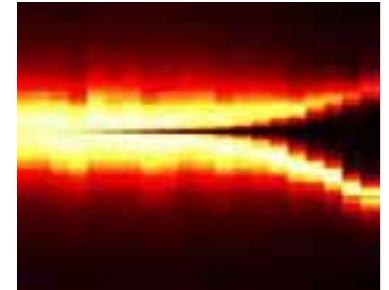
- Optomechanics with silica micro-toroids



- Optomechanically Induced Transparency



- Quantum-coherent coupling of mechanical and optical modes



$$\gamma = \Gamma_m \bar{n}_m = \frac{k_B T}{\hbar Q}$$

## $^3\text{He}$ cryostat

- Allows thermalization through buffer gas
- Reduced intrinsic losses below 1K

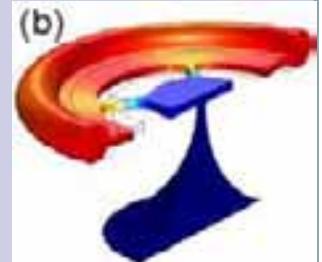


$$\Omega_c = 2g_0 \bar{a}$$

$$g_0 = \frac{\omega}{R} \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\Omega_m}}$$

- Smaller structures:  $\frac{\omega}{R}$  increases, m is reduced but, increase of  $\Omega_m$ , additional clamping losses

## Optimized spokes design:

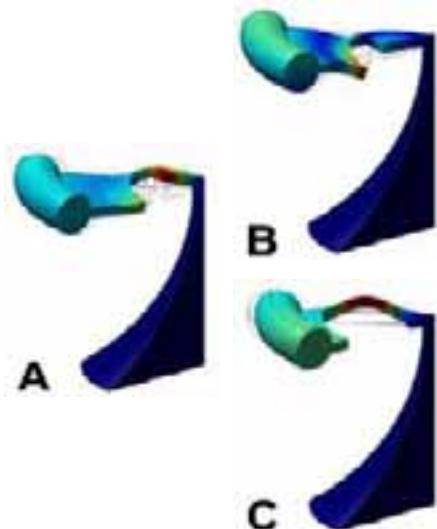


# Spoke supported microtoroid resonators

$$\Omega_c = 2g_0\bar{a}$$

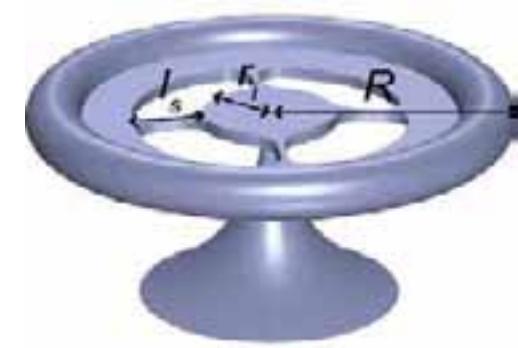
$$g_0 = \frac{\omega}{R} \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\Omega_m}}$$

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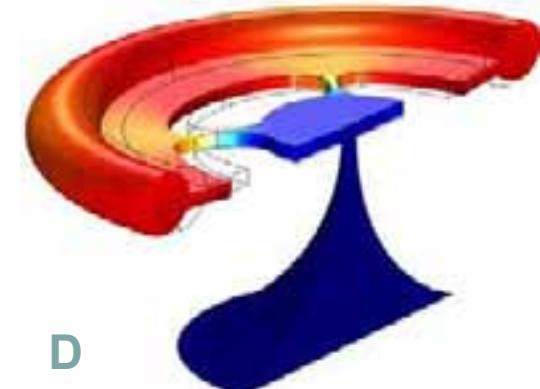
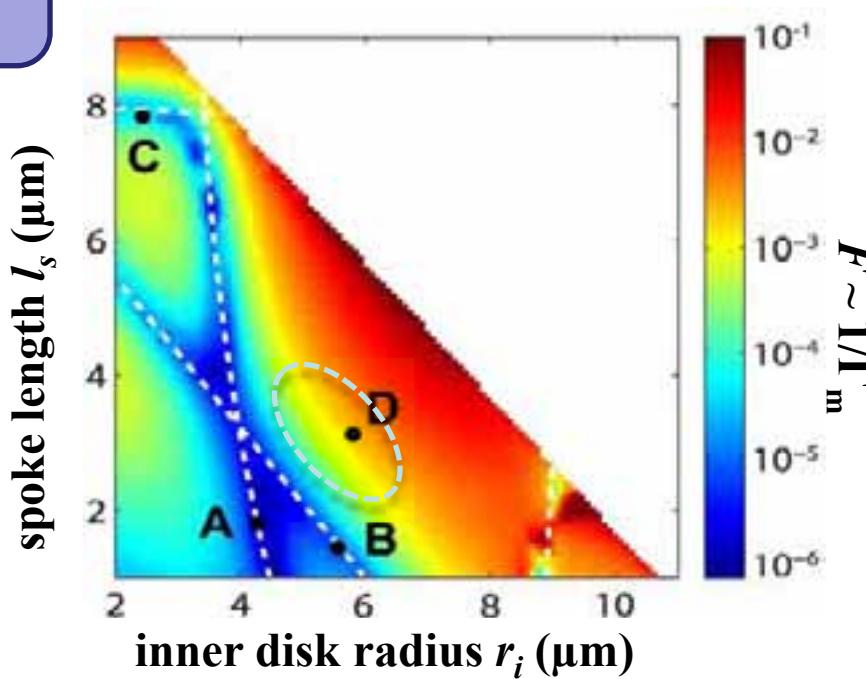
## Smaller structures:

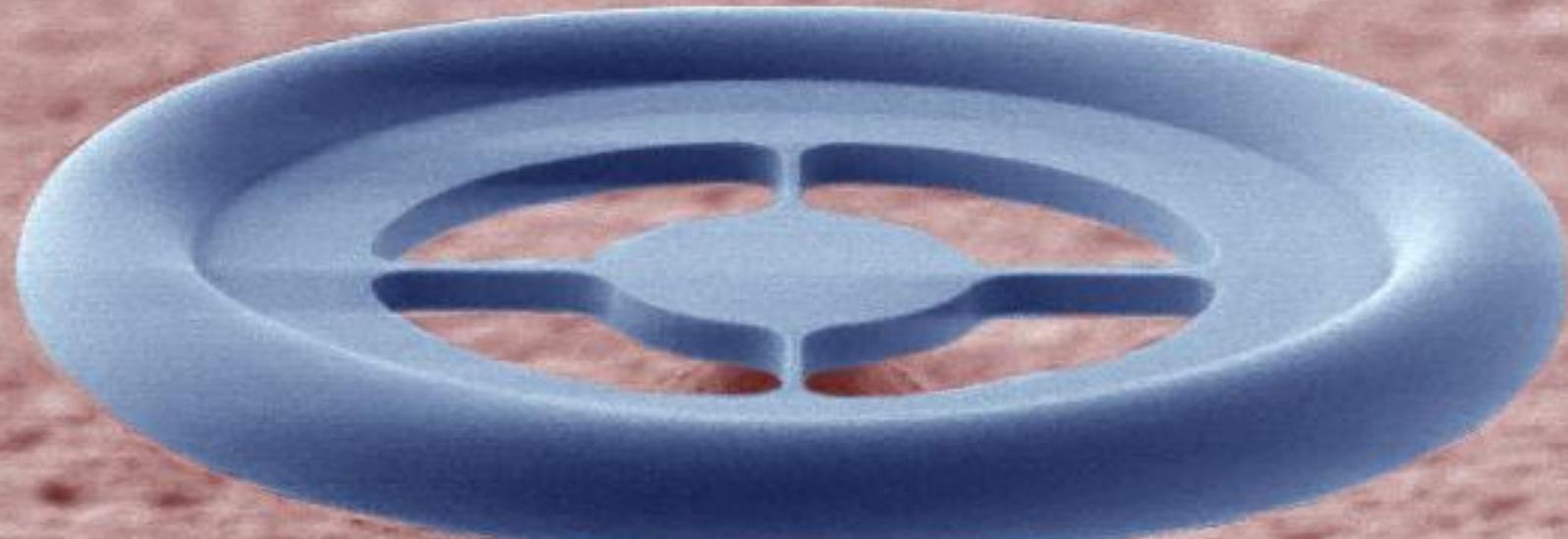
- +  $\omega/R$  increases,  $m$  reduces
- $\Omega_m$  increases, larger clamping losses



## Spokes-supported toroids:

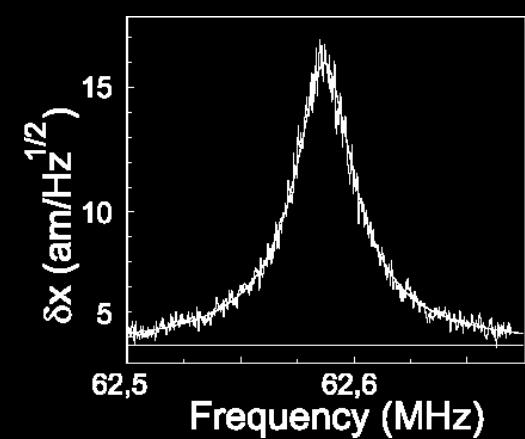
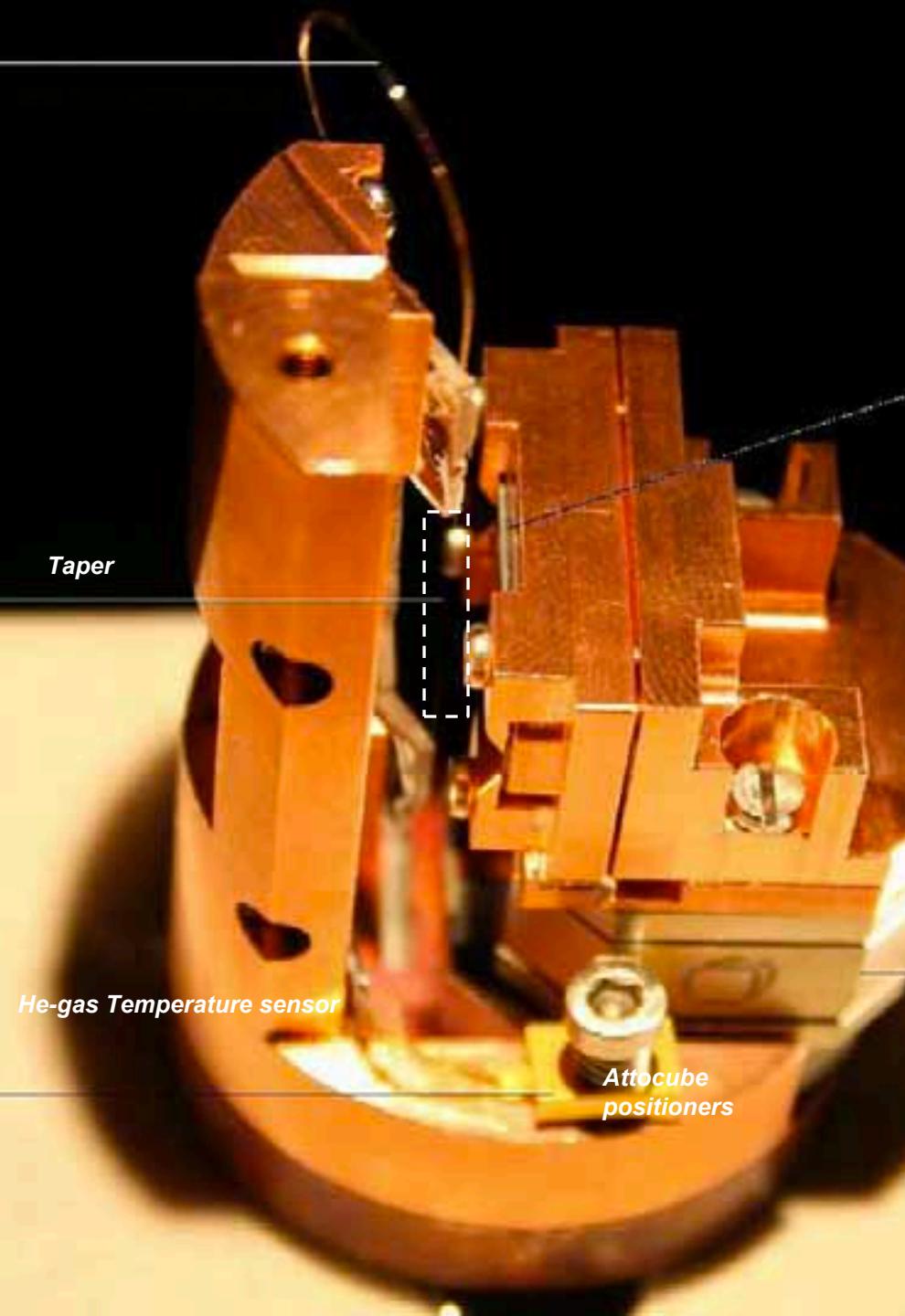
- + reduction of  $\Omega_m$  and  $\Gamma_m$





$$\frac{g_0}{2\pi} = 3.4 \text{ kHz}$$

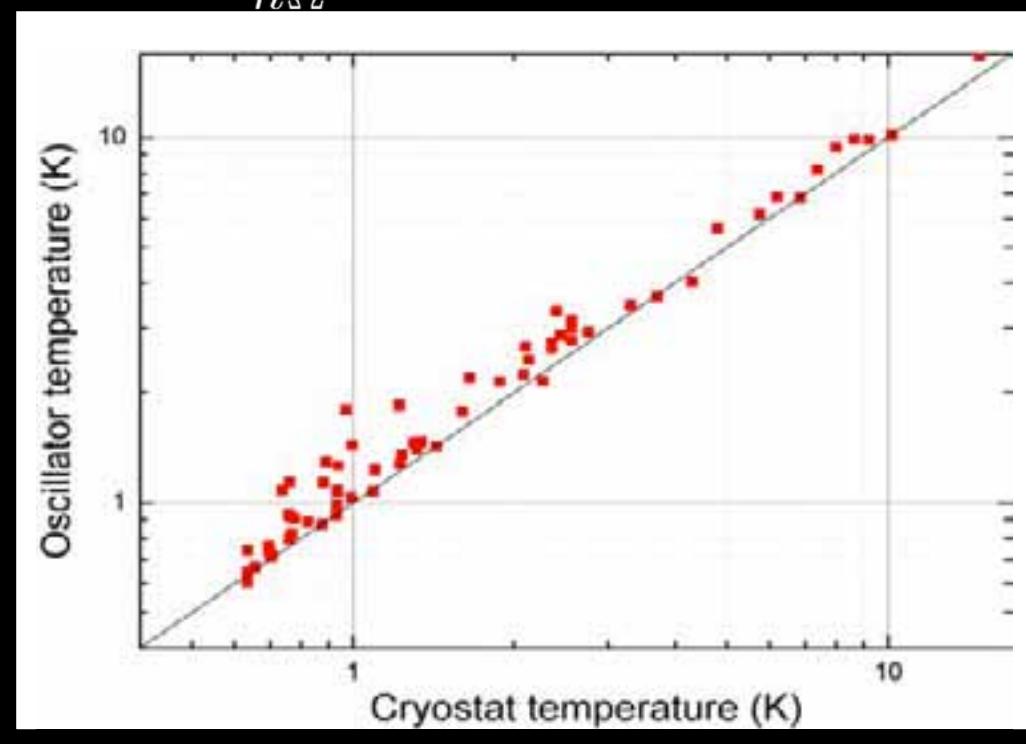
3× improvement (Rivière et al., PRA 83, 063835 (2011))  
G. Anetsberger et al. *Nat. Photon.* 2009



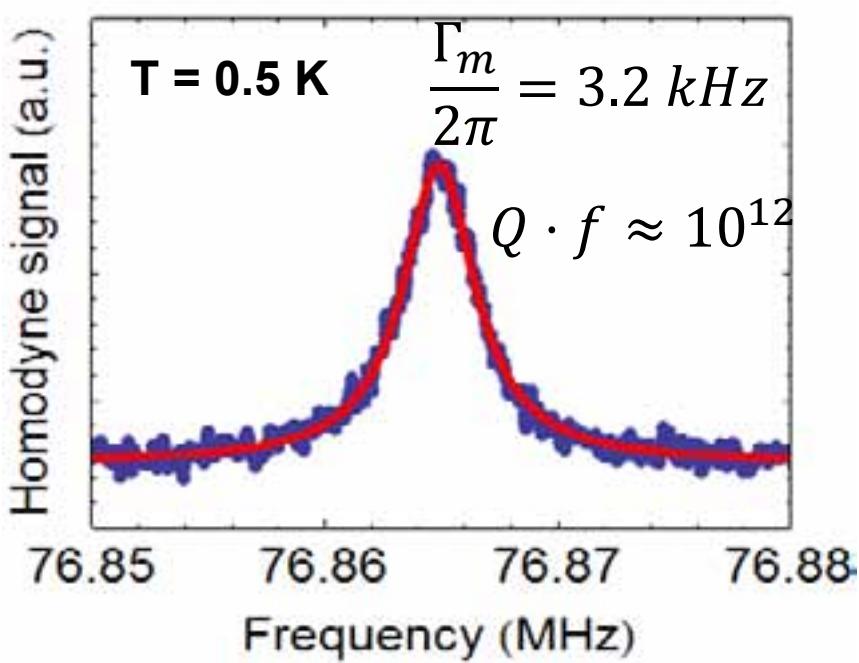
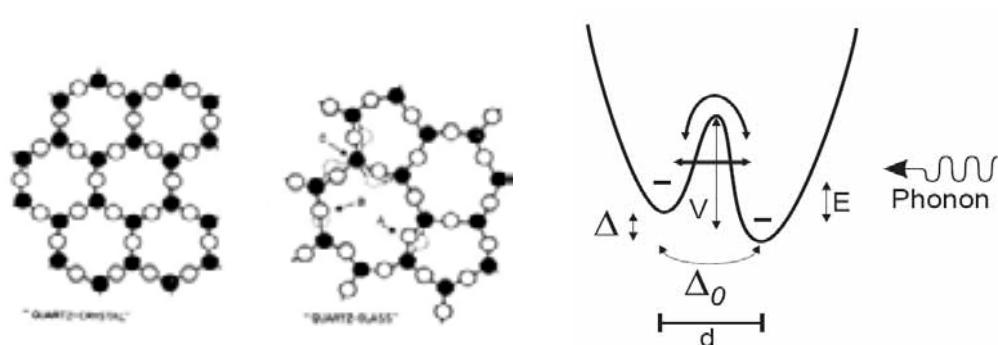
*Characteristics Helium 3 Buffer gas cooling*

$$\Omega_m \approx 50 - 75 \text{ MHz} \quad T = 600 \text{ mK}$$

$$n = \frac{k_B T}{\hbar \Omega} \approx 175 - 250$$



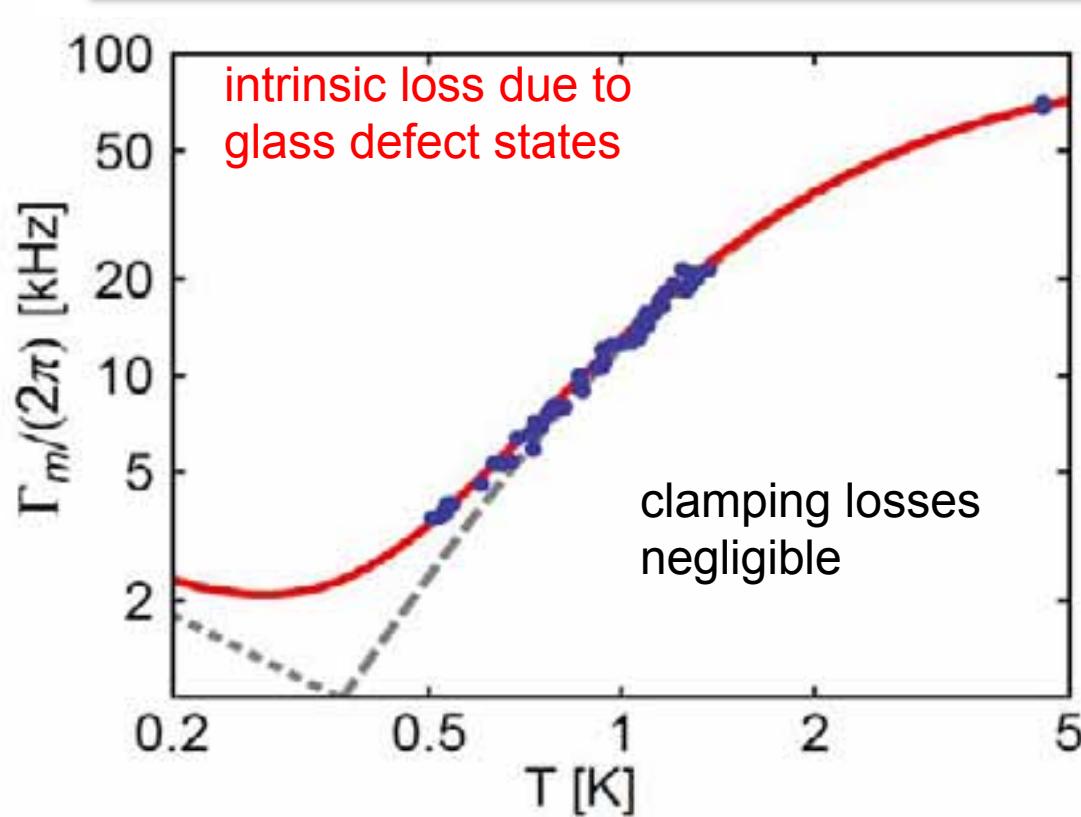
# Dissipation due to two level systems (TLS)



## Anomalous Low-temperature Thermal Properties of Glasses and Spin Glasses

By P. W. ANDERSON†, B. I. HALPERIN and C. M. VARMA

Bell Laboratories, Murray Hill, New Jersey 07974

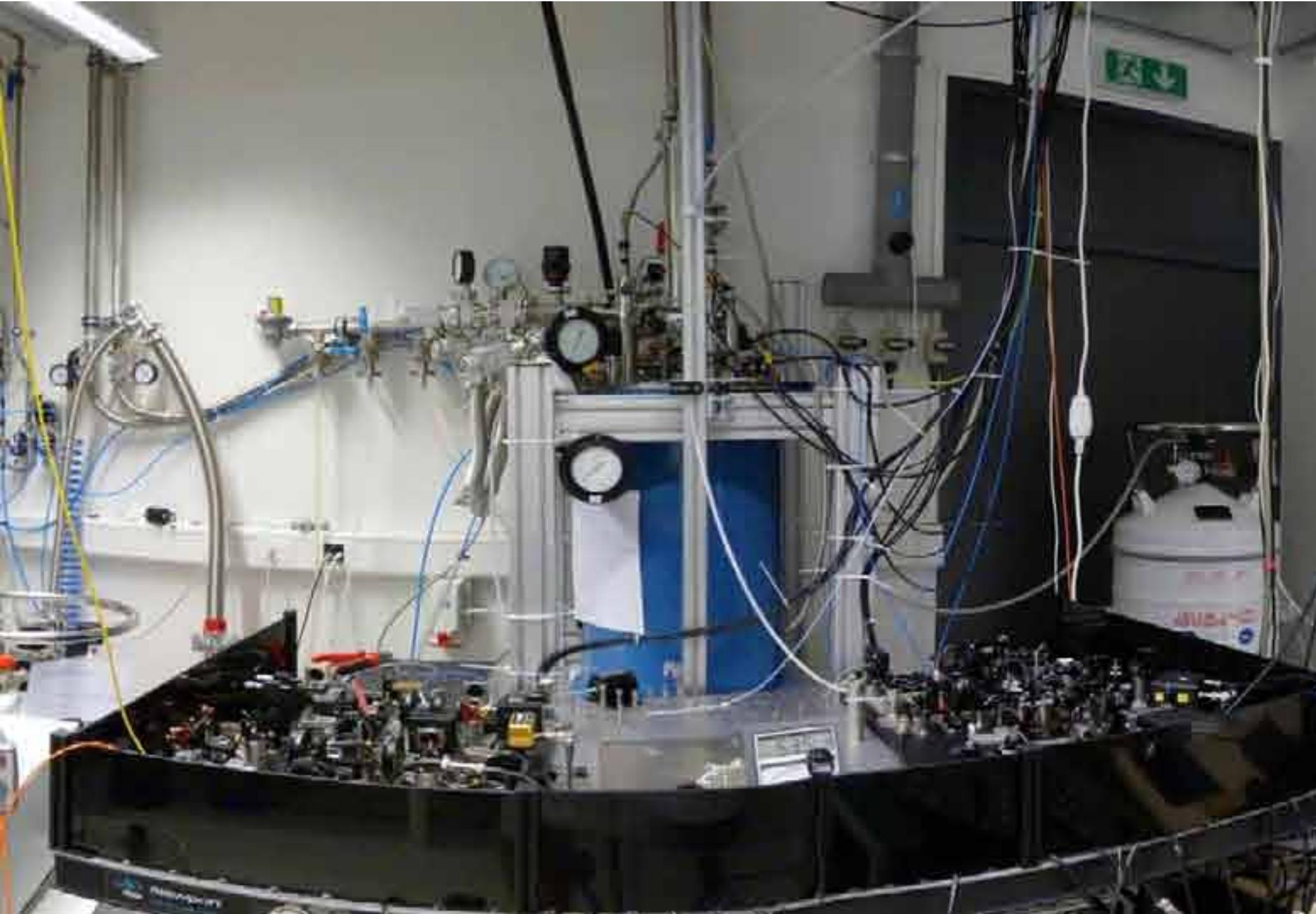


Observation of a purely TLS dominated losses in silica toroidal resonators

Vacher, Courtens, Forêt, PRB 72 214205 (2005)

Jäckle, Piché, Huncklinger, J. Non-Crys. Sol. 20 365 (1976)

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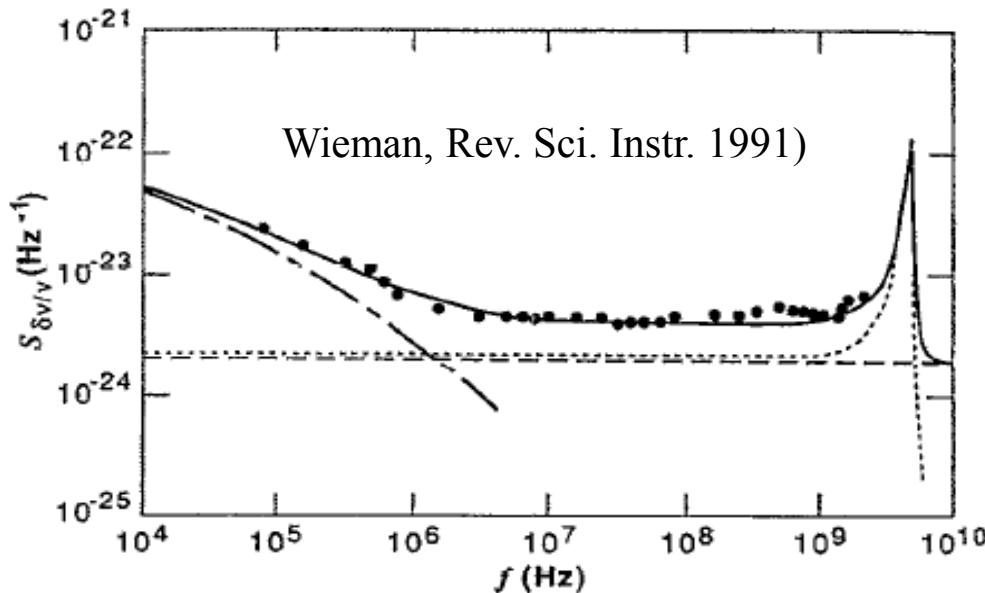


# Achieving a „Cold“ photon bath: Laser phase noise

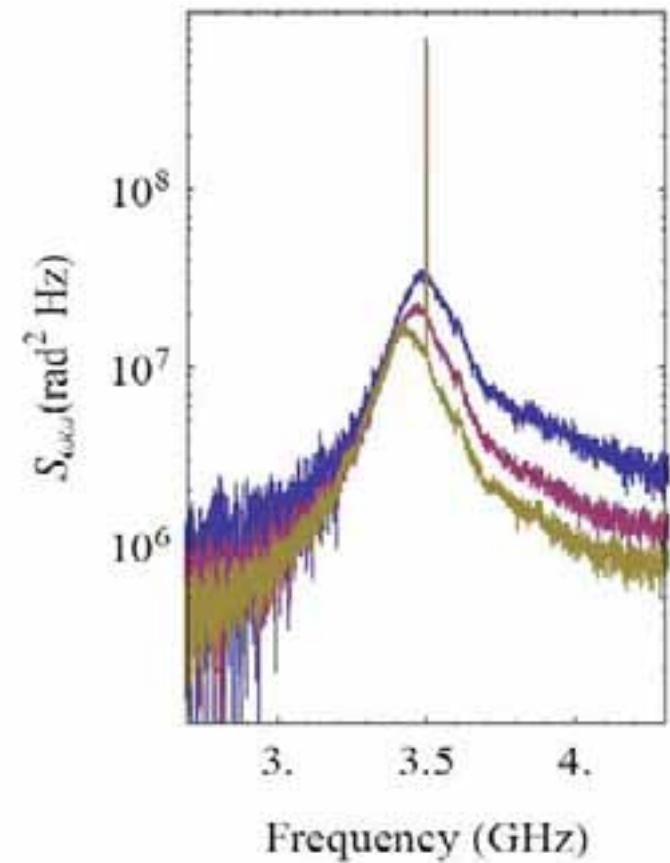
- Excess phase noise heats mechanical oscillator. The amount of tolerable phase noise for cooling to  $n=1$

$$S_{\omega\omega}[\Omega_m] = \frac{g_0^2}{\Gamma_m \bar{n}_m}$$

- Chosen solution: TiSa laser system



New Focus Diode Laser frequency noise spectrum

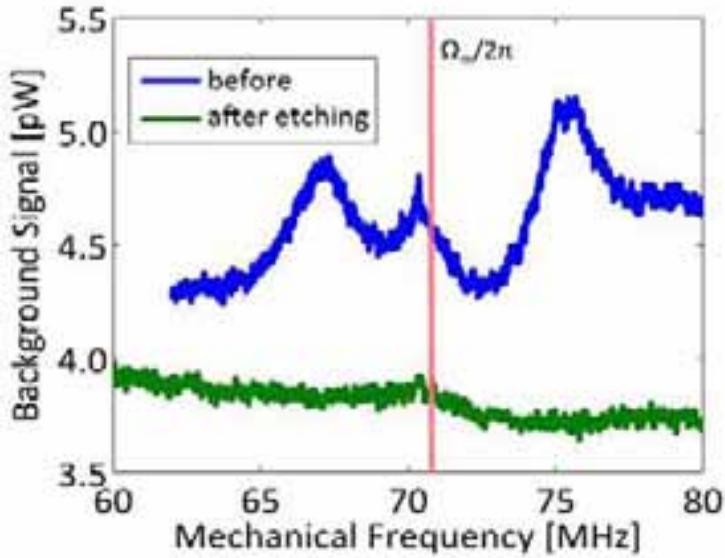


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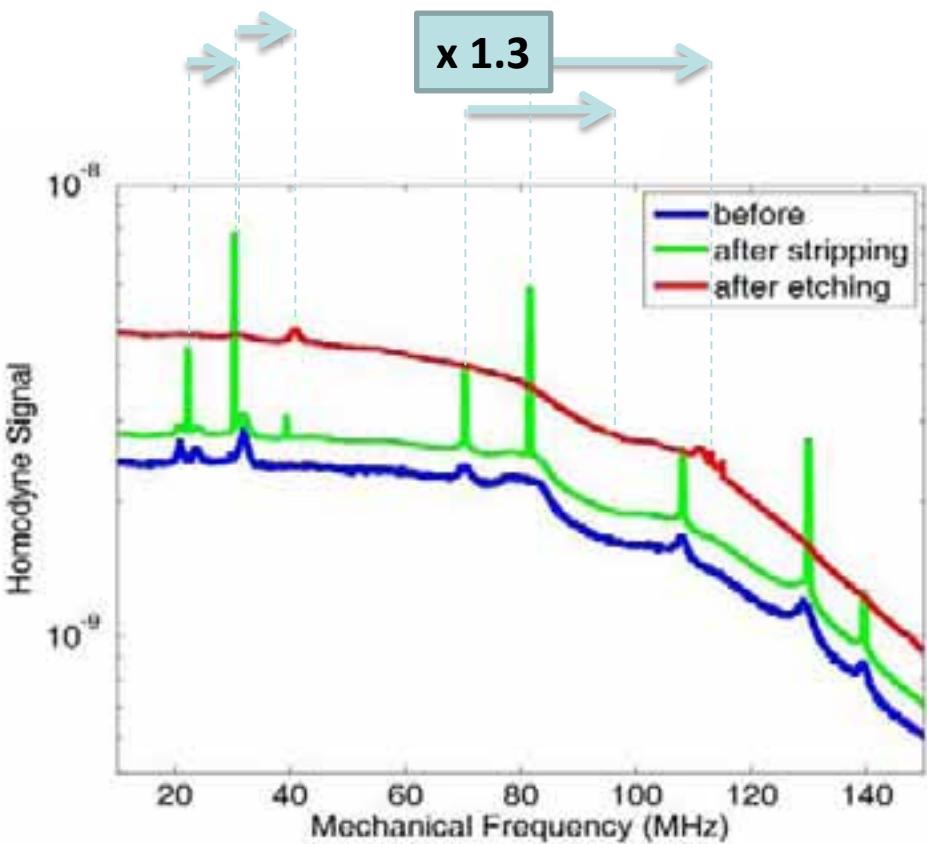
Kippenberg, Gorodetsky, Schliesser et al. arXiv:1112.6277

# Achieving a „Cold“ photon bath: Acoustic Modes of Fibers

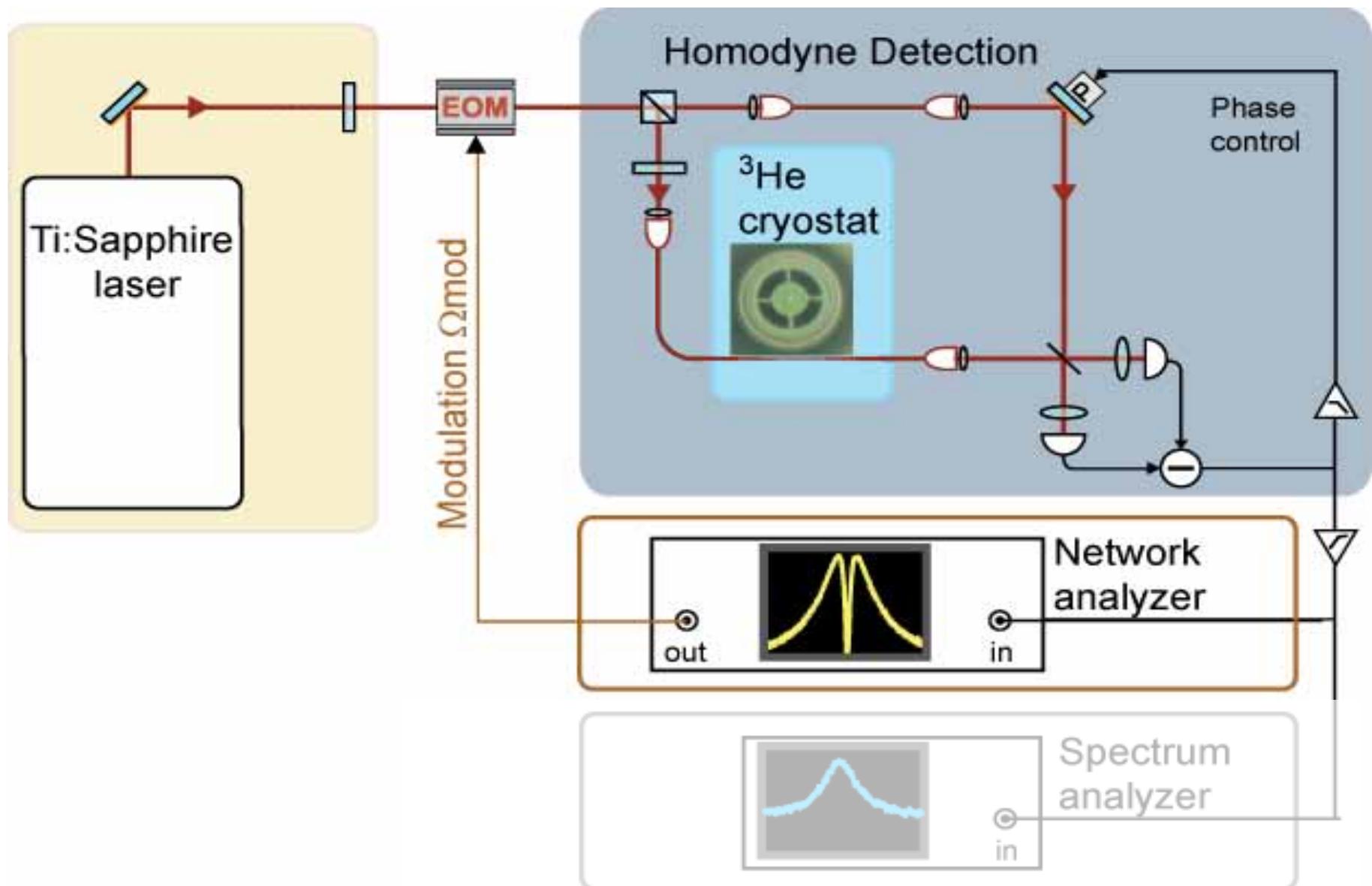
- Homodyne signal



- Factor of 1.3 corresponds to change in diameter from 125 $\mu$ m to 95 $\mu$ m

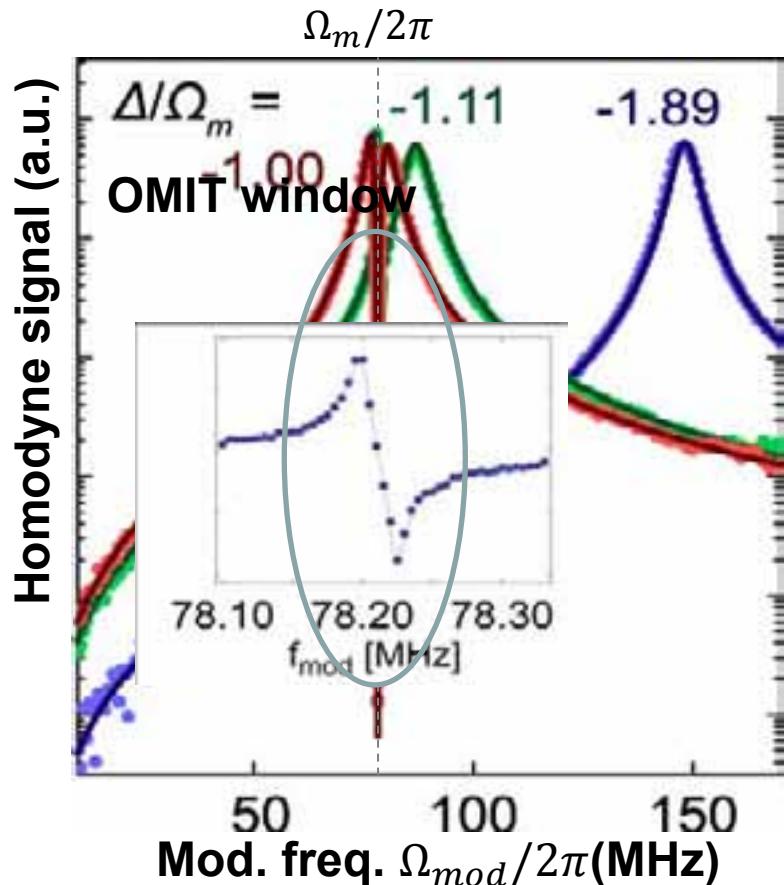


# Experimental setup: coherent probing

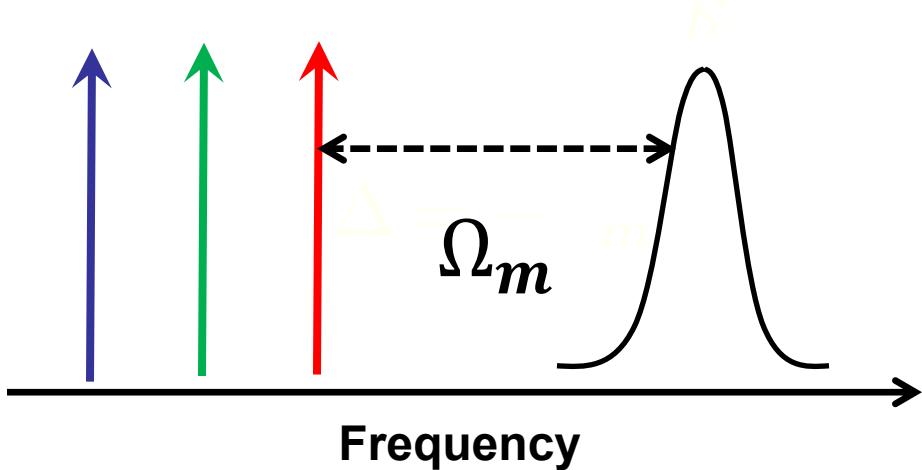


# Optomechanical cooling: coherent response

## Coherent response



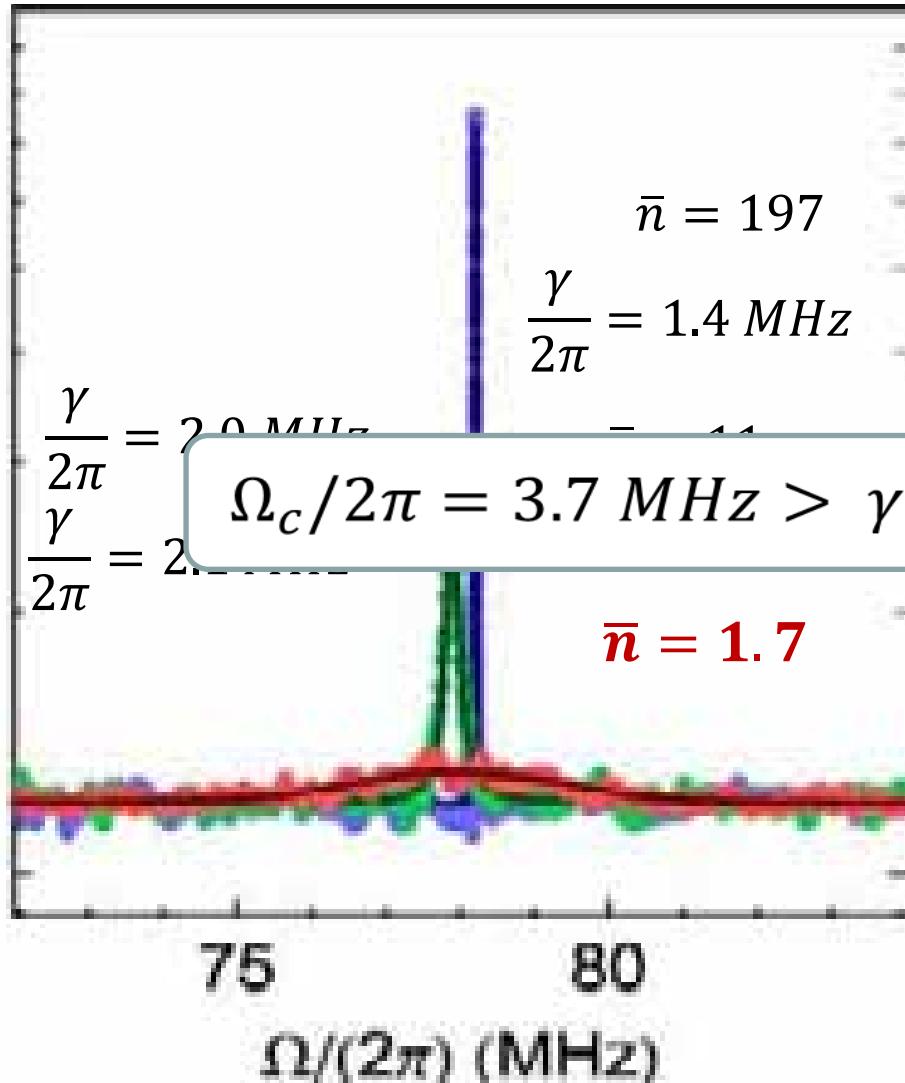
## TiSa cooling laser



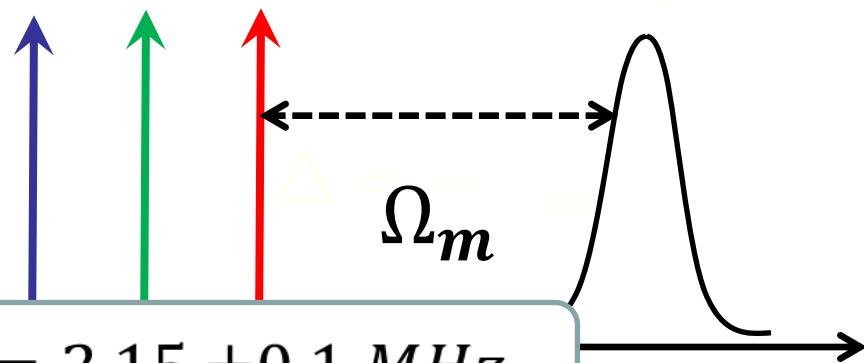
- 1) Determination of all parameters ( $\Omega_c, \kappa, \Delta \dots$ )
- 2) Only amplitude of noise spectrum is used to derive the thermal fluctuations

# Optomechanical cooling: incoherent response

Homodyne signal (a.u.)



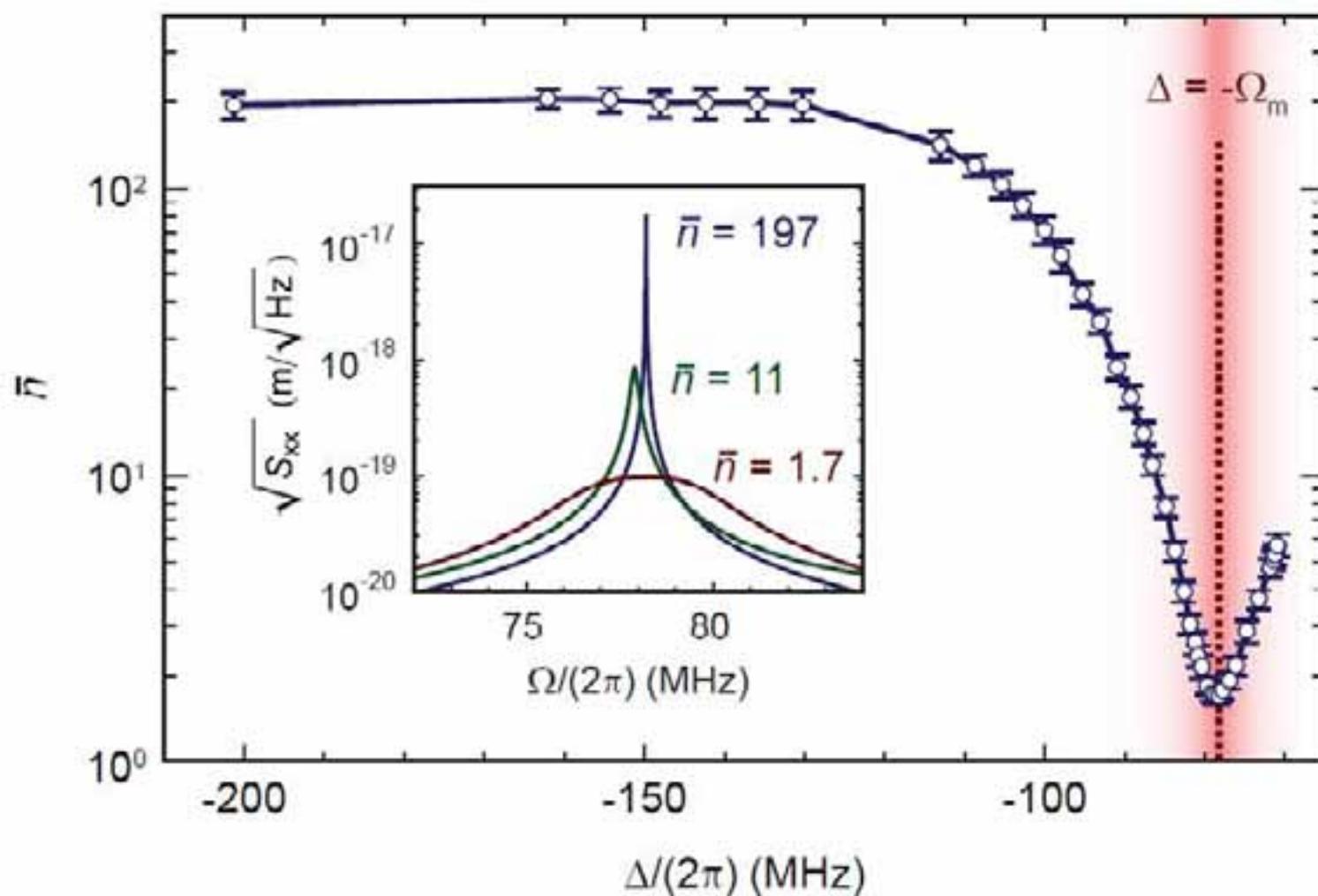
TiSa cooling laser



Laser Cooling of a macroscopic mechanical oscillator to  $\sim 37\%$  ground state occupation.

(E. Verhagen, S. Deleglise, S. Weis, A. Schliesser, TJK *Nature* 2012)

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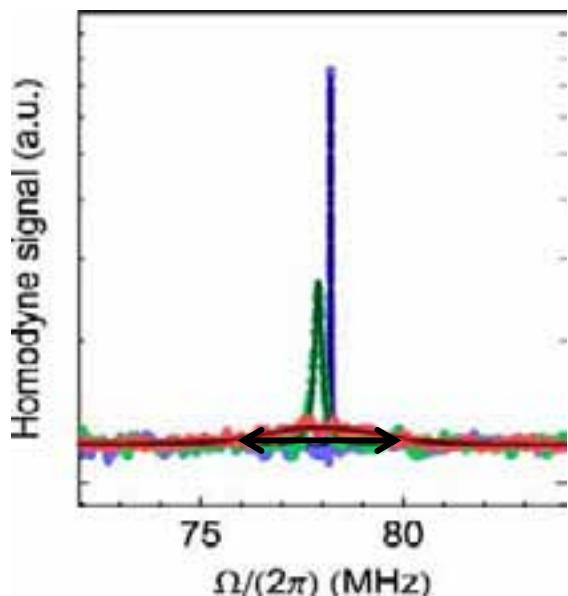
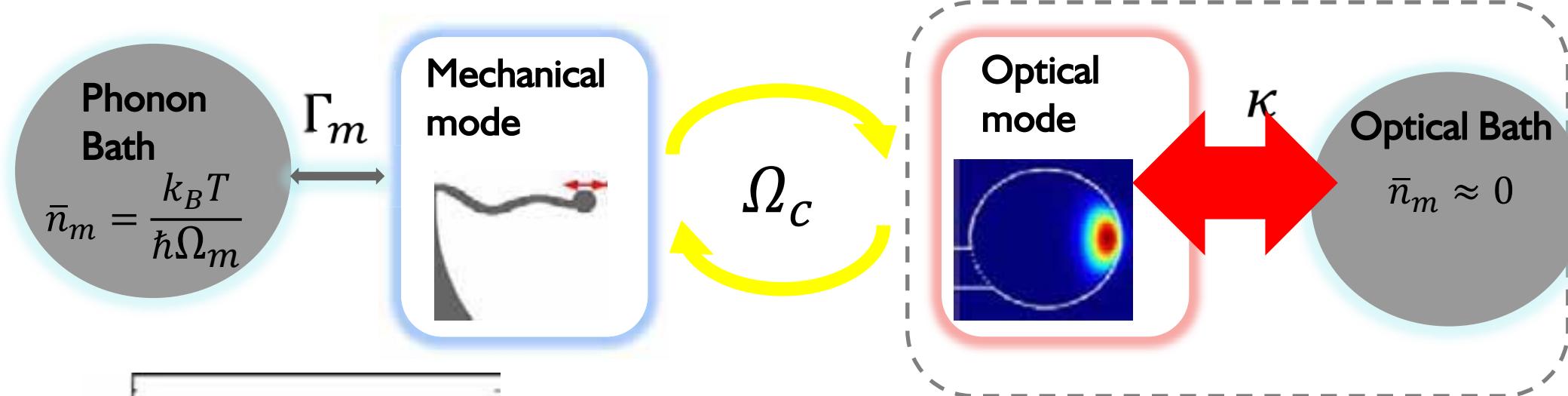


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# Optomechanical cooling in the weak coupling regime

$$\hat{H}_{int} = \hbar \frac{\Omega_c}{2} (\delta \hat{b} \delta \hat{a}^\dagger + \delta \hat{b}^\dagger \delta \hat{a})$$



$$\Gamma_{eff} = \frac{4\Omega^2}{\kappa}$$

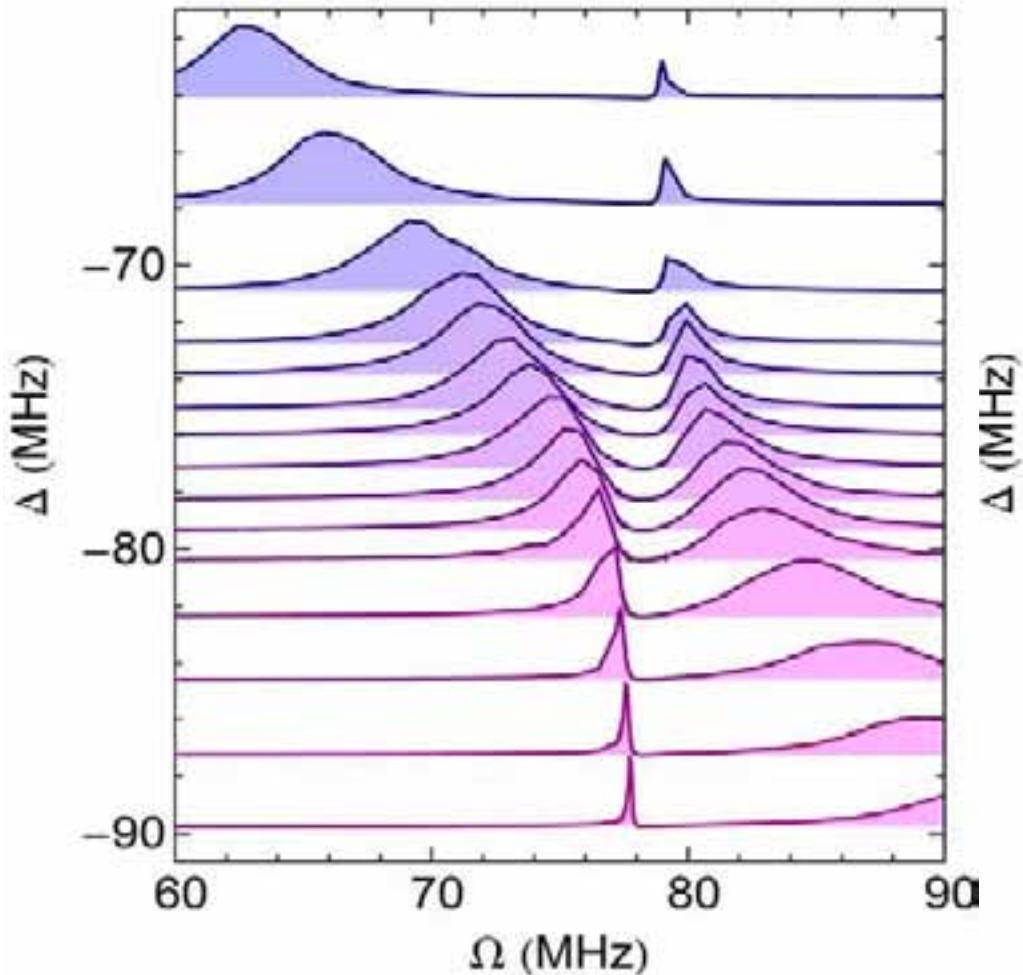
**Optomechanical  
cooling rate**

$$\Gamma_{eff} = 2\pi \cdot 2.5 \text{ MHz} \quad \text{yielding} \quad \bar{n} = 1.7$$

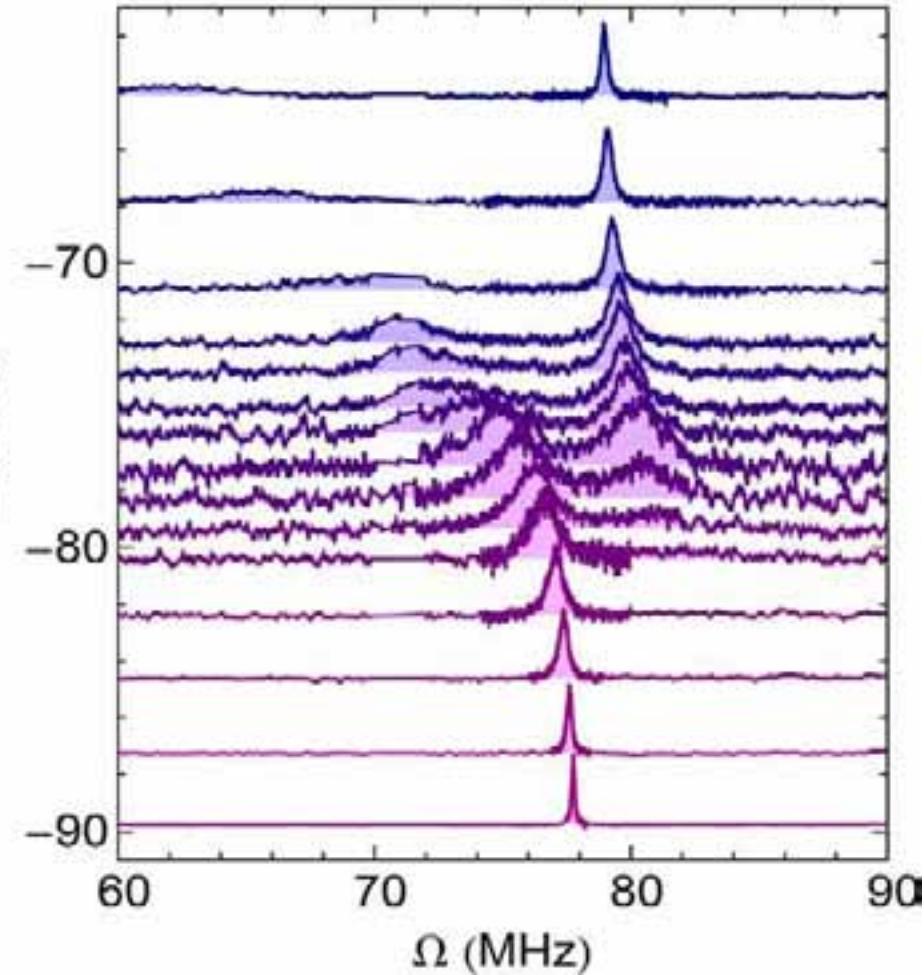
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# Quantum coherent coupling

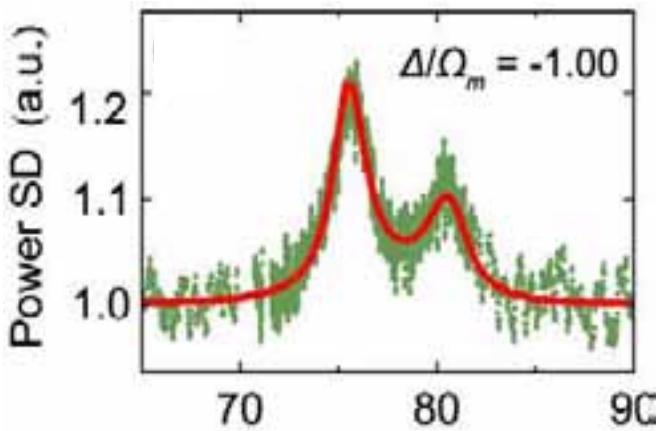
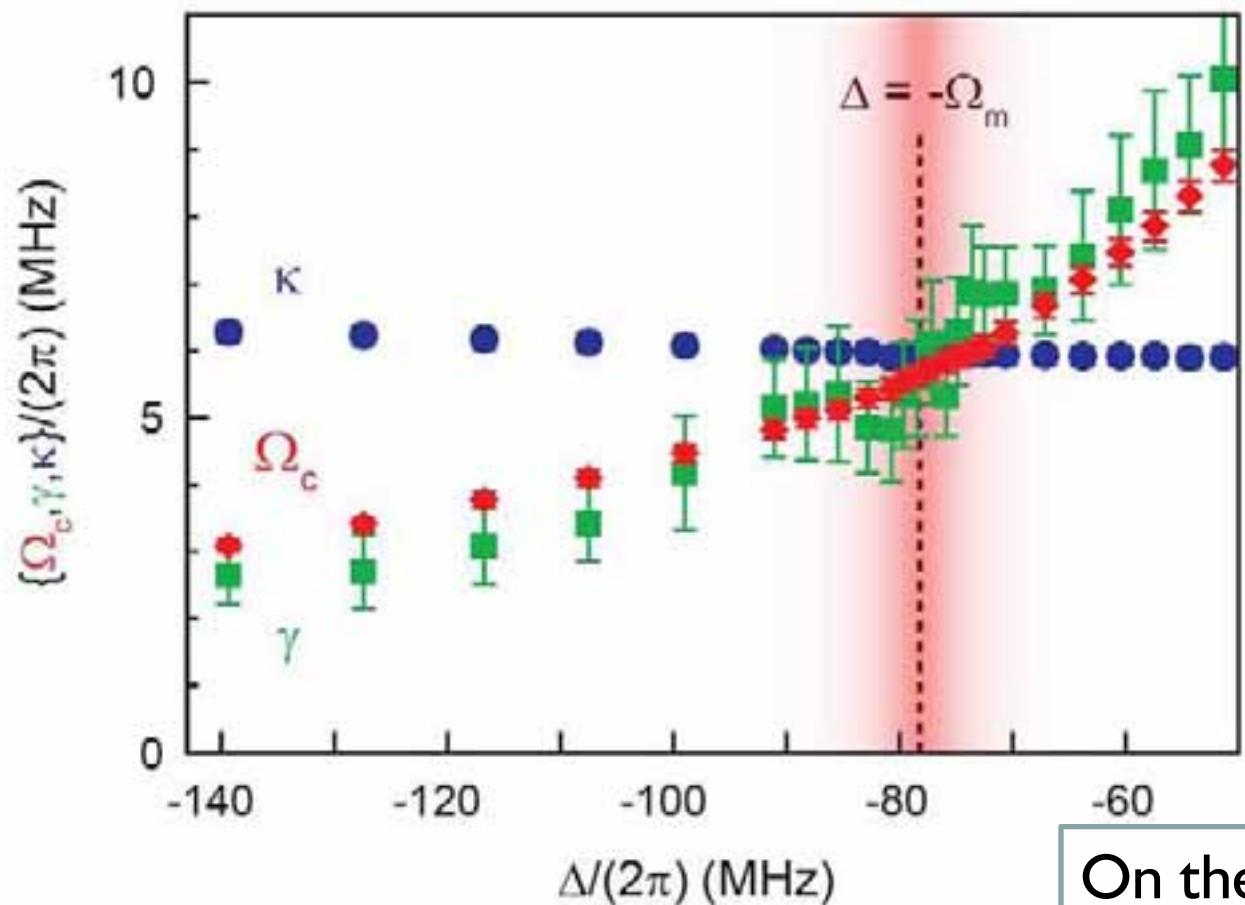
- Optical domain:



- Mechanical domain:



# Quantum coherent coupling



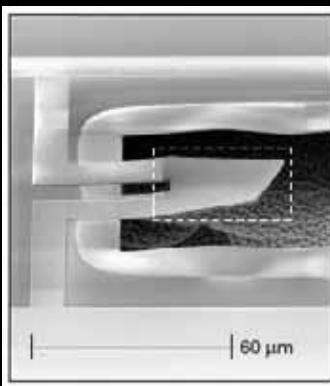
Quantum coherent coupling reached:

On the lower mechanical sideband:

$$\Omega_c = 2\pi 5.7 \text{ MHz}$$

$$\gtrsim \gamma = 2\pi 5.6 \pm 0.9 \text{ MHz}$$

# Quantum Coherent coupling regime: $2g > \gamma, \kappa$



2010



2011



$$m = 5\text{GHz}$$

$$\bar{n}_m \ll 1$$

Microwave piezo-  
mechanical  
oscillators

O'Connell, et al. *Nature* (2010)

$$m = 10\text{MHz}$$

Dynamical  
backaction  
*microwave* cooling

$$\bar{n}_m \approx 0.34$$

$$2g > (\Gamma_m \bar{n}_m, \kappa)$$

Teufel et al. (*Nature* 2011)

$$m = 75\text{MHz}$$

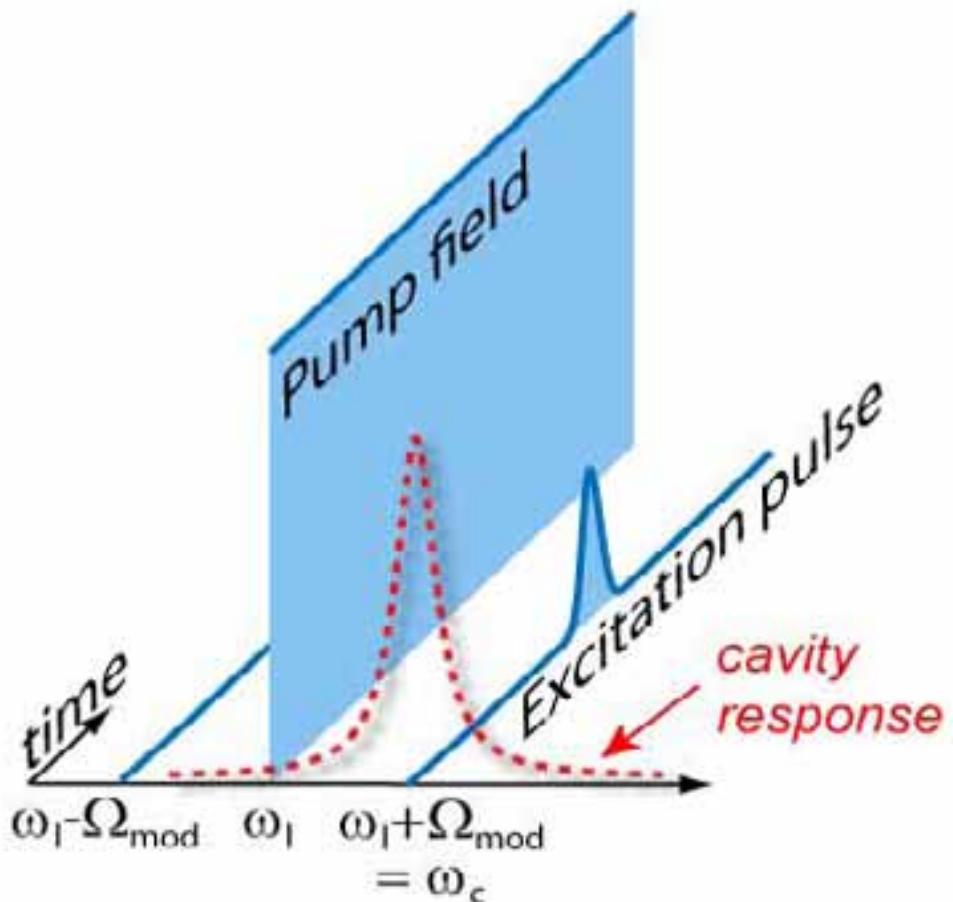
Dynamical  
backaction *optical*  
laser cooling

$$\bar{n}_m = 1.7$$

$$2g \gtrsim (\Gamma_m \bar{n}_m, \kappa)$$

Verhagen, Schliesser, Deleglise,  
Weis et al. (*Nature* 2012)

## Excitation scheme:

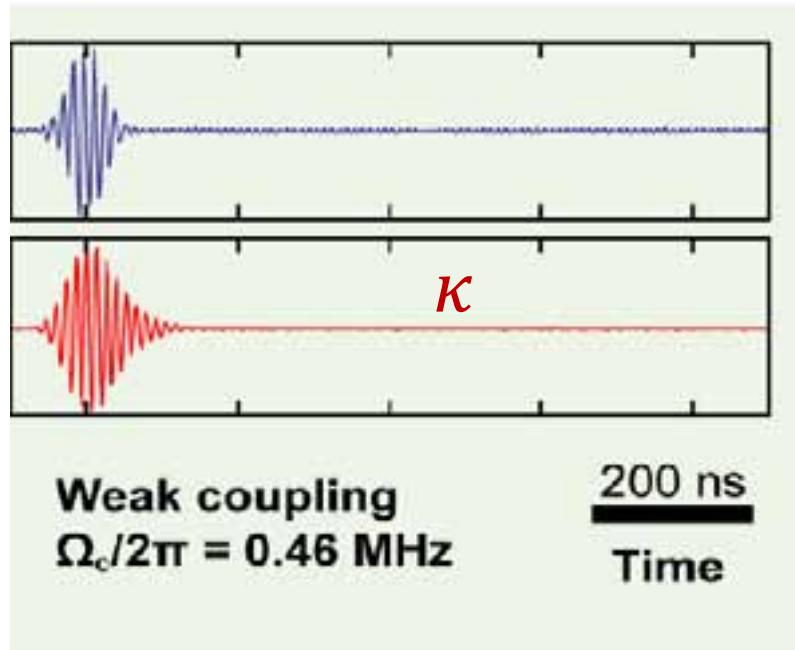


Optical frequency

Verhagen, Deleglise, Weis, Schliesser et al. *Nature* 2012

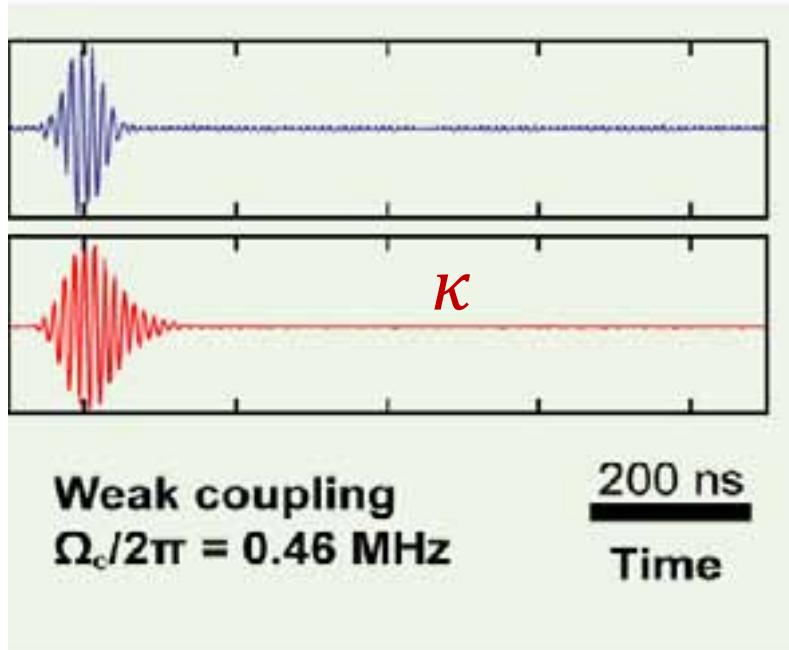
# Energy exchange in time domain

## Weak coupling Data

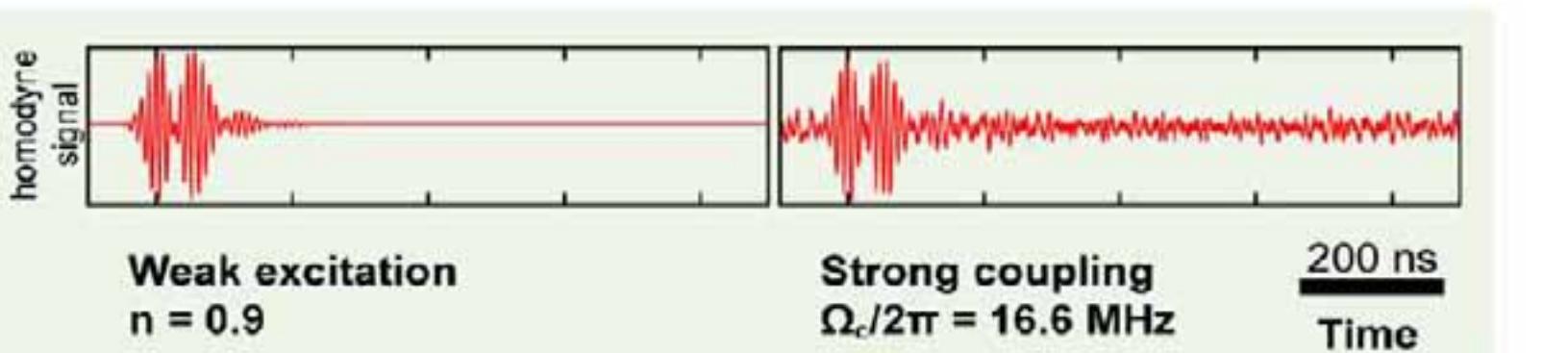
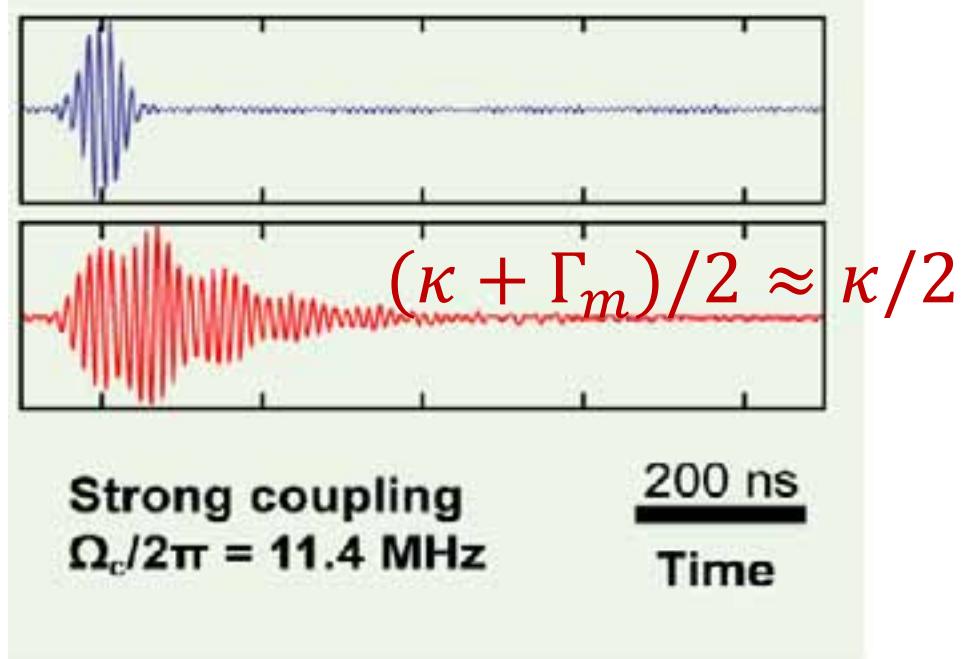


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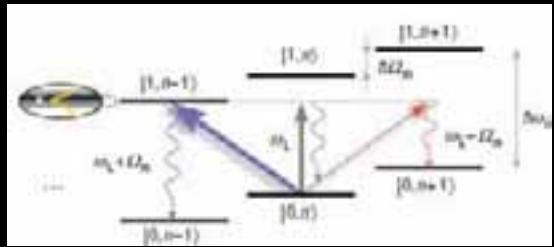
Weak coupling Data



Strong coupling



## Sideband Cooling



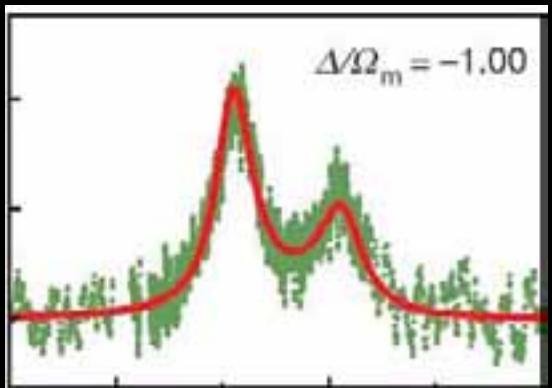
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## Low dissipation optomechanics



Anetsberger et al. Nat. Phot. 2, 627 (2008)

## Quantum coherent coupling



Verhagen, Deleglise, Weis,  
Schliesser, TJK Nature (2012)

## Future directions of optomechanics

- Quantum transducers between optical fields and other degrees of freedom
- Quantum measurements on a mechanical oscillator in the quantum regime
- Optomechanical transducers

## Transducers:



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