

Quantum Optomechanics

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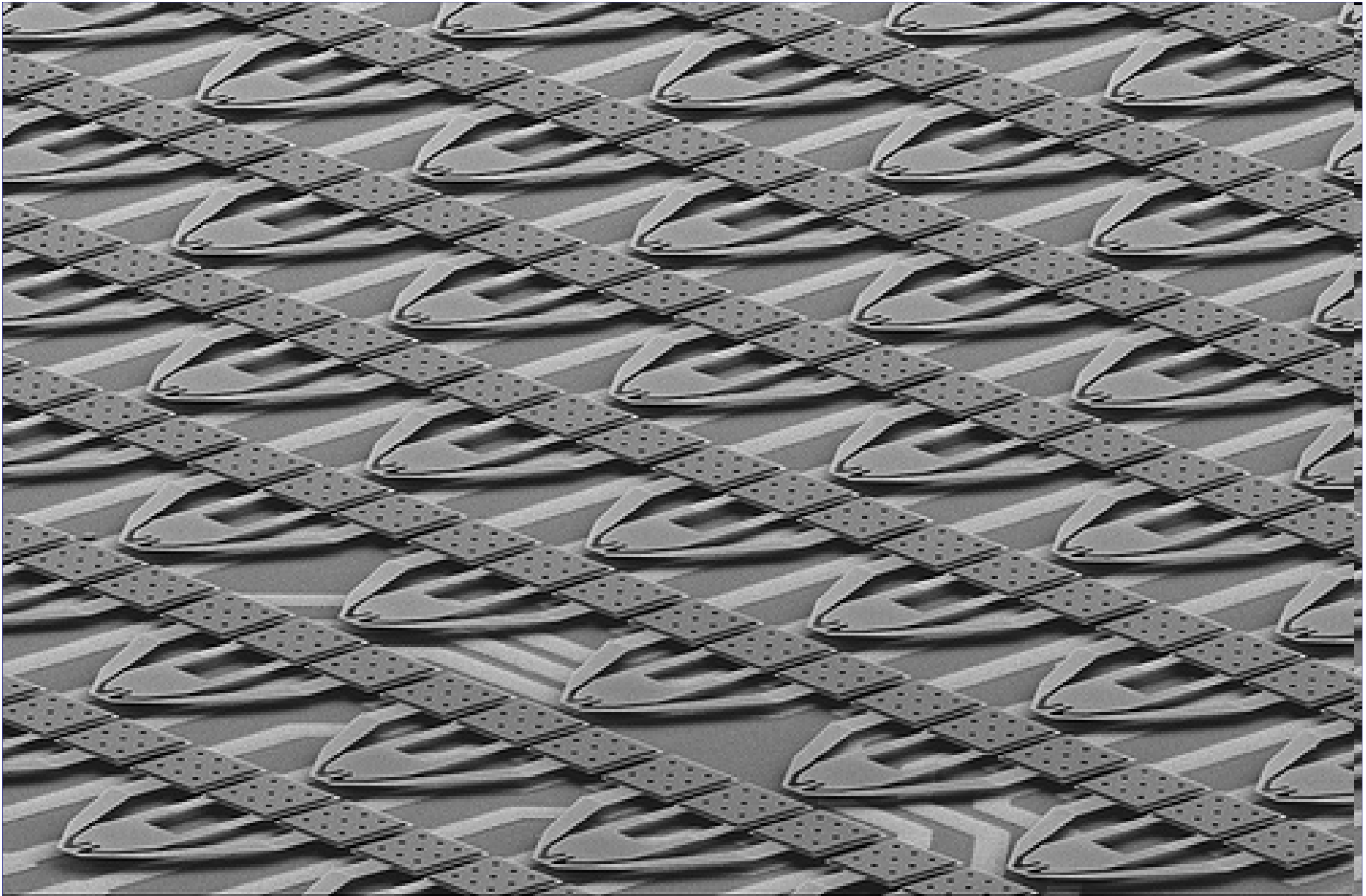
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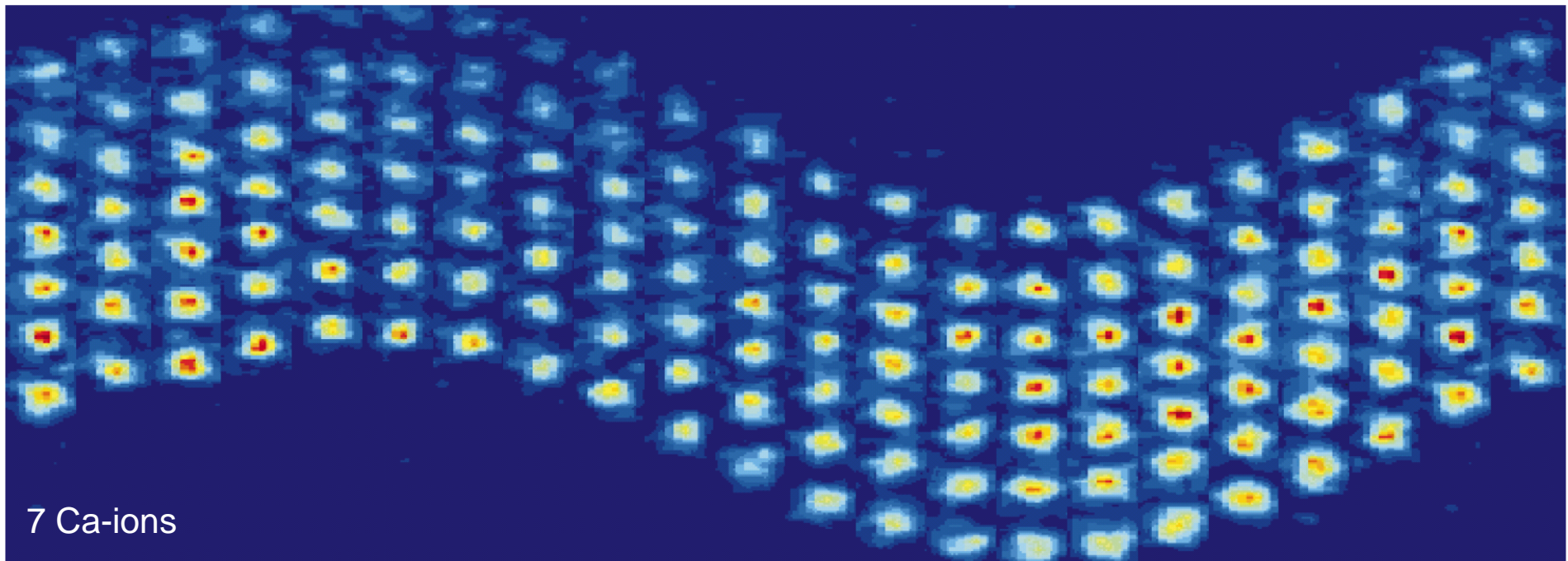
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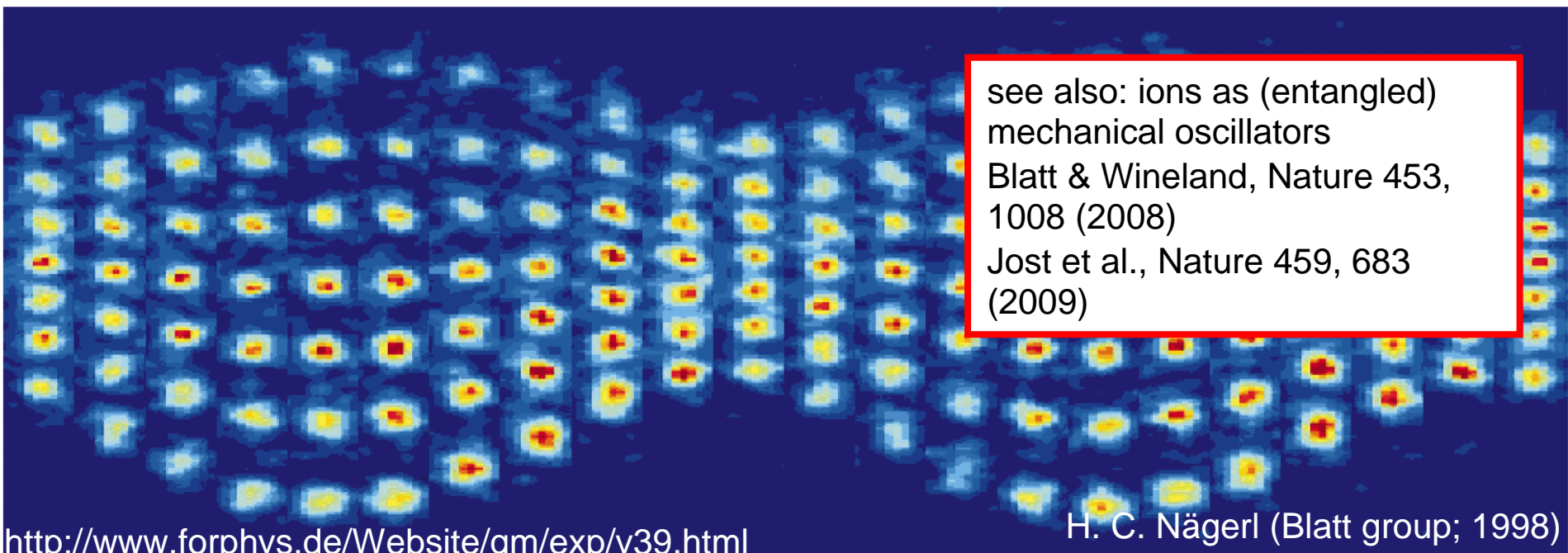
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IBM Millipede (2005)

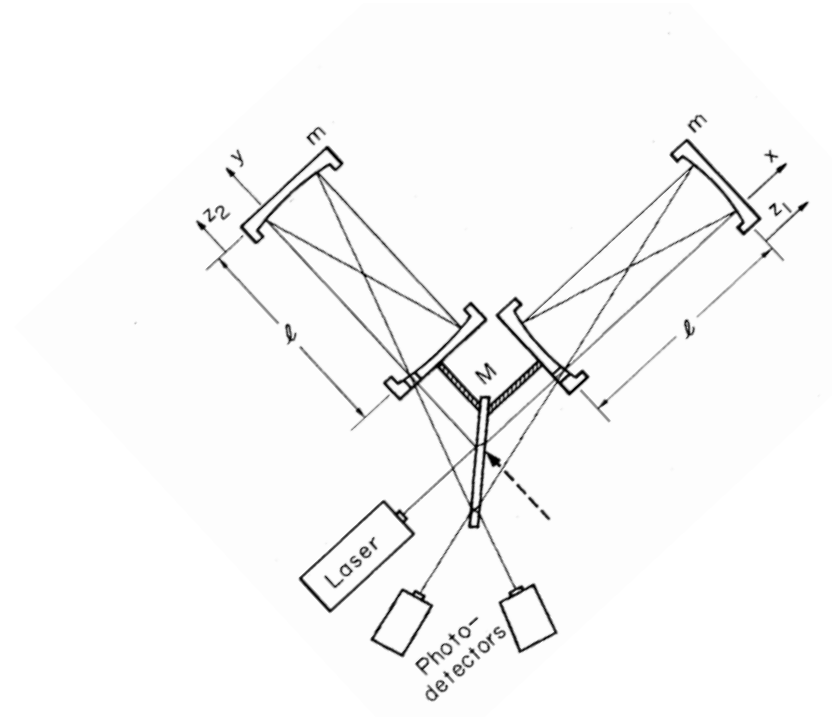
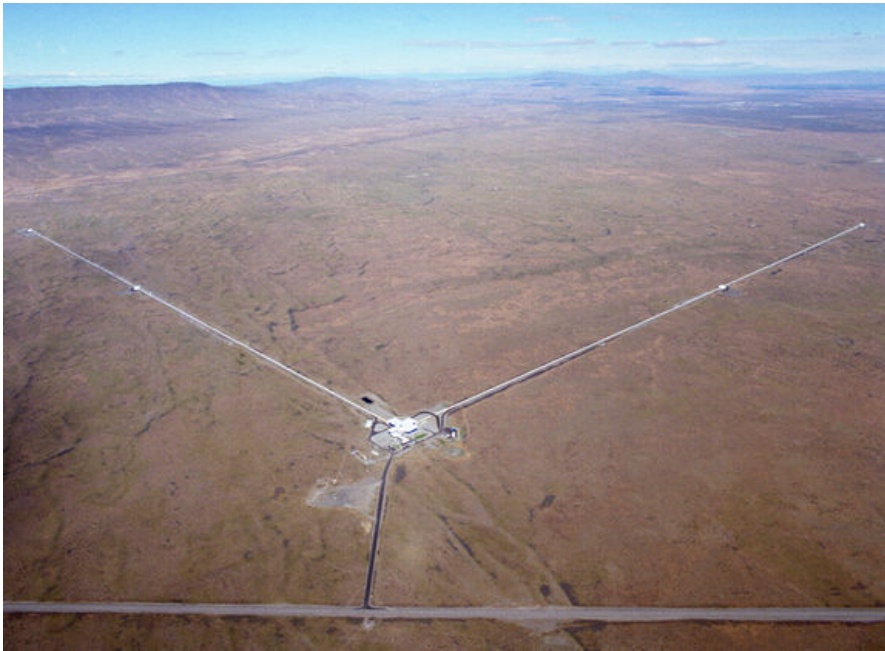


7 Ca-ions

Trapped ions: **quantum physics with phonons** (Cirac & Zoller, PRL 74, 4091 (1995))



see also: ions as (entangled)
mechanical oscillators
Blatt & Wineland, Nature 453,
1008 (2008)
Jost et al., Nature 459, 683
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Quantum-Mechanical Radiation-Pressure Fluctuations in an Interferometer

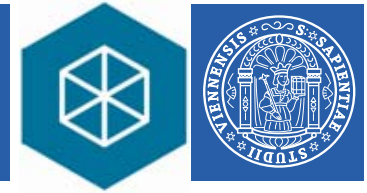
Carlton M. Caves

W. K. Kellogg Radiation Laboratory, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, California 91125

(Received 29 January 1980)

The interferometers now being developed to detect gravitational waves work by measuring small changes in the positions of free masses. There has been a controversy whether quantum-mechanical radiation-pressure fluctuations disturb this measurement. This Letter resolves the controversy: They do.

A mechanical system in the quantum regime



See also Teufel et al., arxiv 1103.2144 (2011)

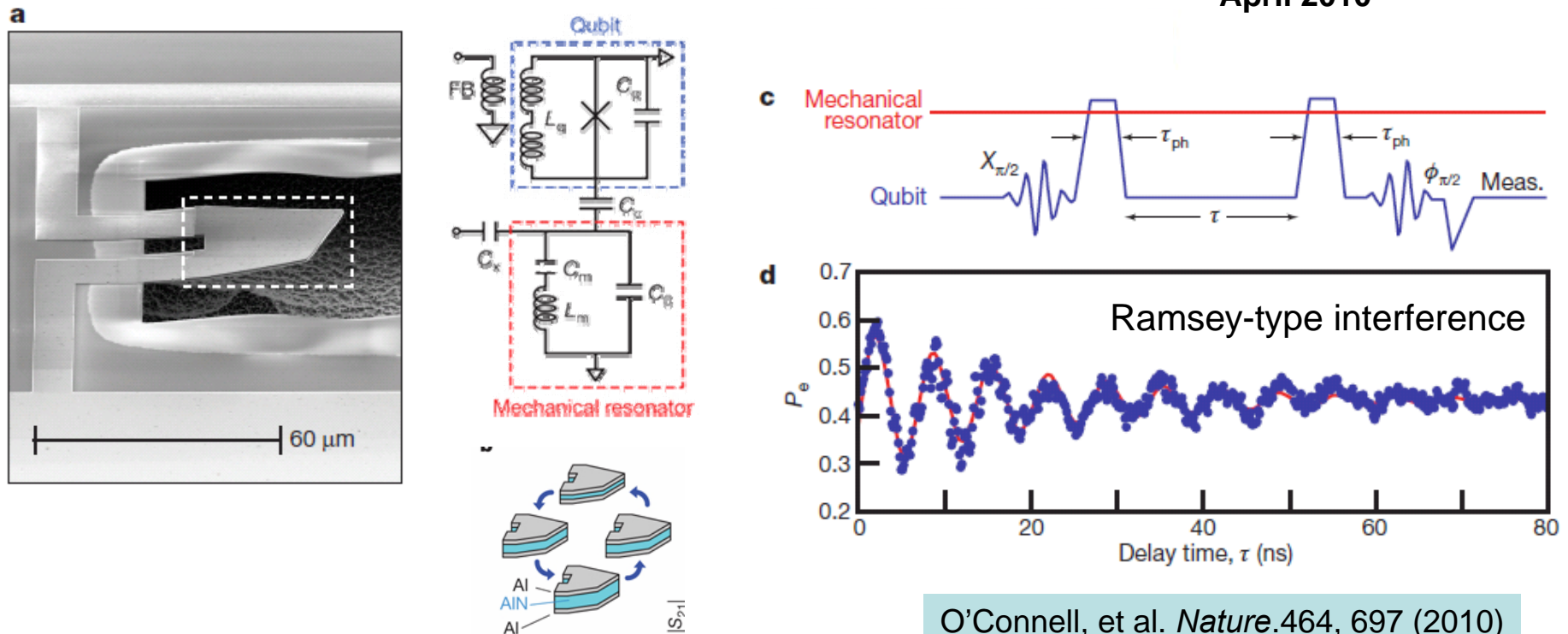
ARTICLES

Quantum ground state and single-phonon control of a mechanical resonator

6 GHz piezo vibration
 $\rightarrow n \sim 0.07$ @ 20 mK

A. D. O'Connell¹, M. Hofheinz¹, M. Ansmann¹, Radoslaw C. Bialczak¹, M. Lenander¹, Erik Lucero¹, M. Neeley¹, D. Sank¹, H. Wang¹, M. Weides¹, J. Wenner¹, John M. Martinis¹ & A. N. Cleland¹

Cleland/Martinis groups (UCSB);
 April 2010



O'Connell, et al. *Nature*.464, 697 (2010)

Quantum regime of massive resonators

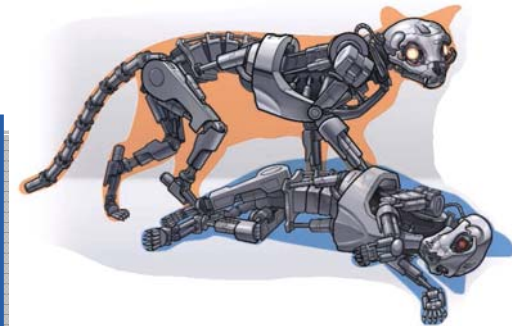


Cho , Science 327, 516 (2010)

Access a new realm of experimental physics

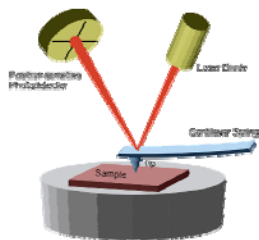
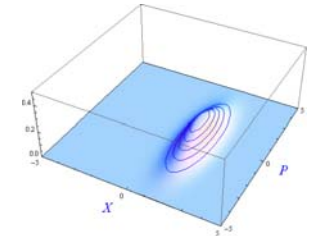
Quantum Foundations

macroscopic quantum superposition involving up to 10^{20} atoms
→ Is there a limit to the size/mass of Schrödinger cats?



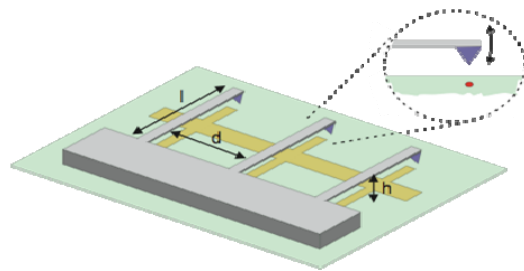
Mechanical Sensing

present performance: zeptogram, zeptonewton, attometer, etc.
→ What are the quantum limits to mechanical sensing?



Quantum Information

e.g. potential for hybrid quantum information architectures on a chip
→ Can mechanical systems serve as universal quantum bus?

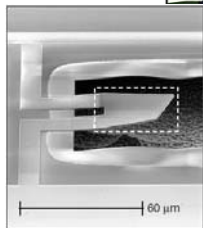
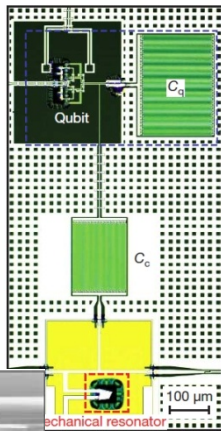
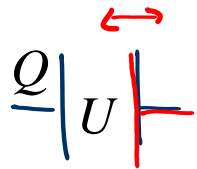


Rabl et al.,
Nature Physics 6, 602 (2010).

Coupling to mechanics

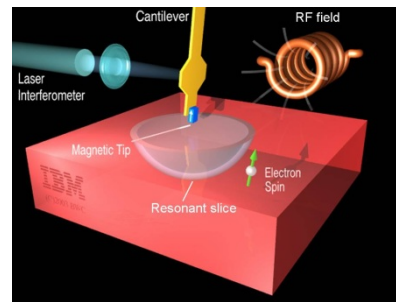
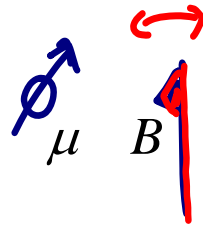


charge



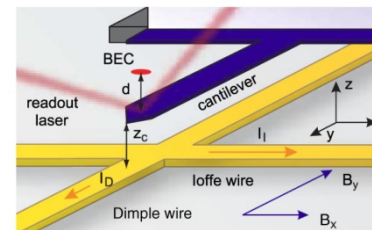
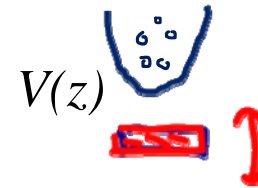
O. Connell et al.,
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spin



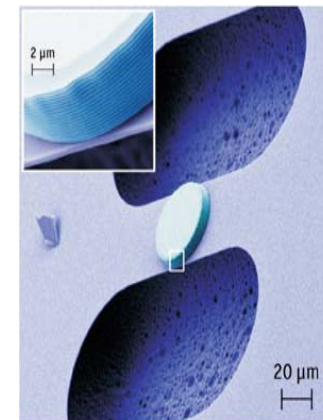
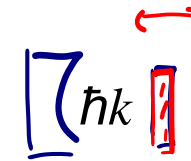
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atoms



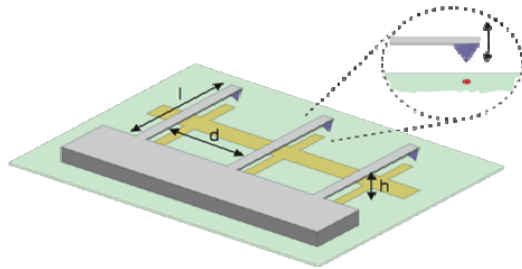
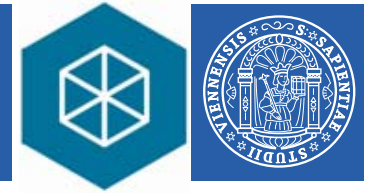
D. Hunger et al.,
PRL 104 (10)

photon
momentum



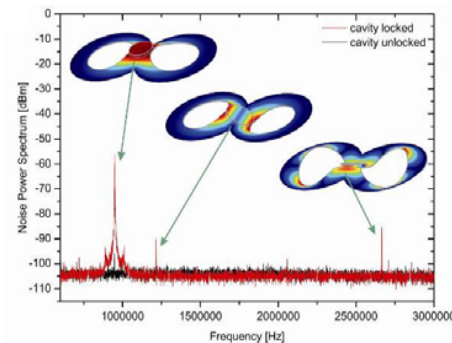
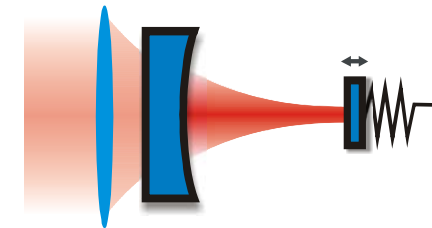
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Nature Phys. 5 (09)

Cavity Optomechanics



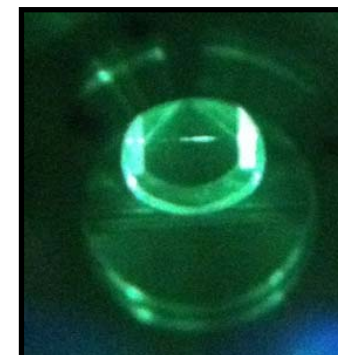
Large mechanics in the quantum regime ?

Control of mechanical resonators with light

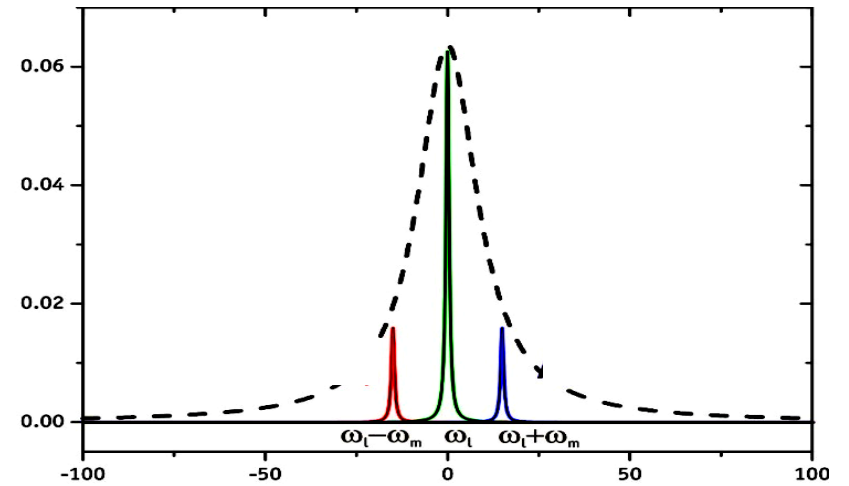
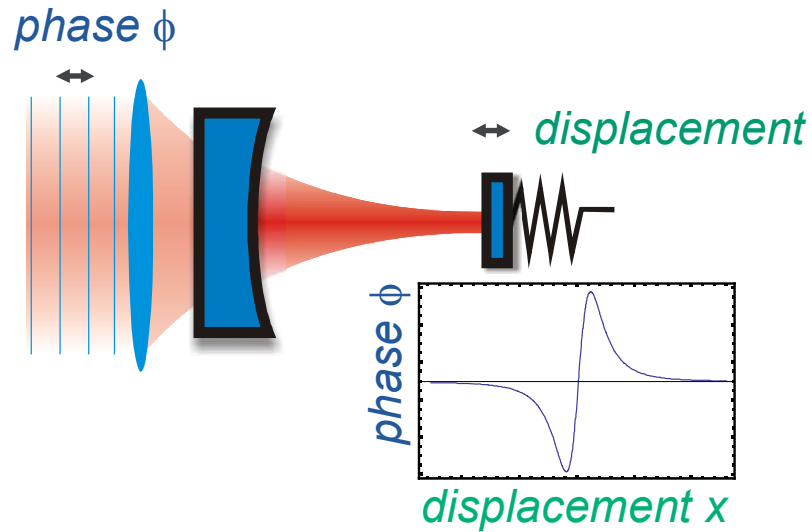


Towards Quantum Optomechanics - Experiments

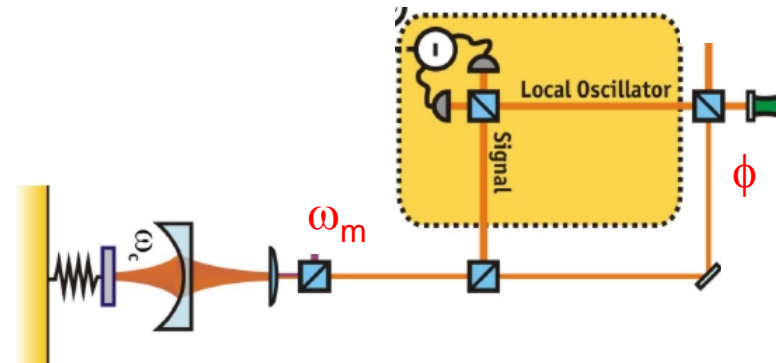
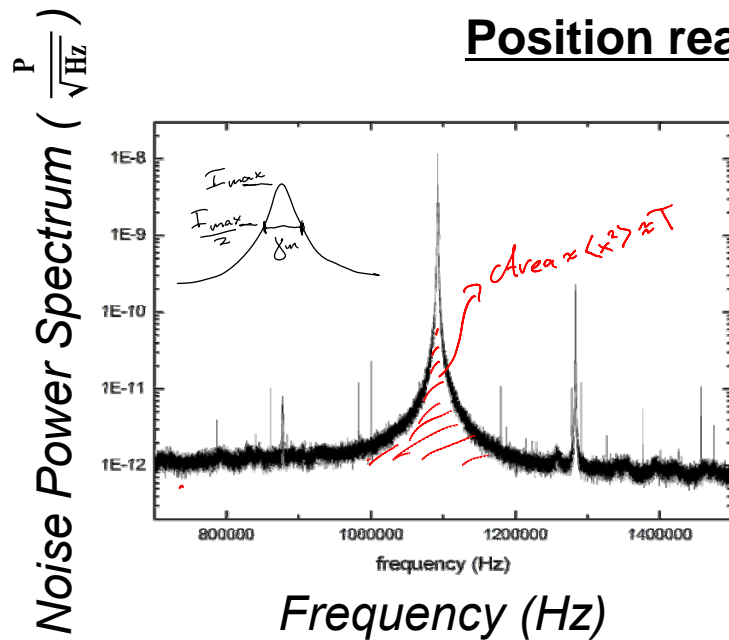
New ideas, future plans and a famous cat



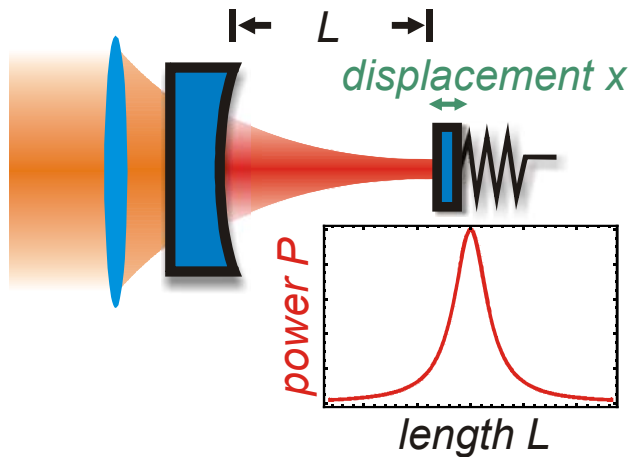
Mechanics acting on light



Position readout by Homodyne Detection



Cavity Optomechanics



A change in **cavity length** leads to a change in **resonance frequency** and therefore in **intra-cavity power**

The decay time of the cavity results in a **delay** – for detuned operation **heating or cooling** of cantilever

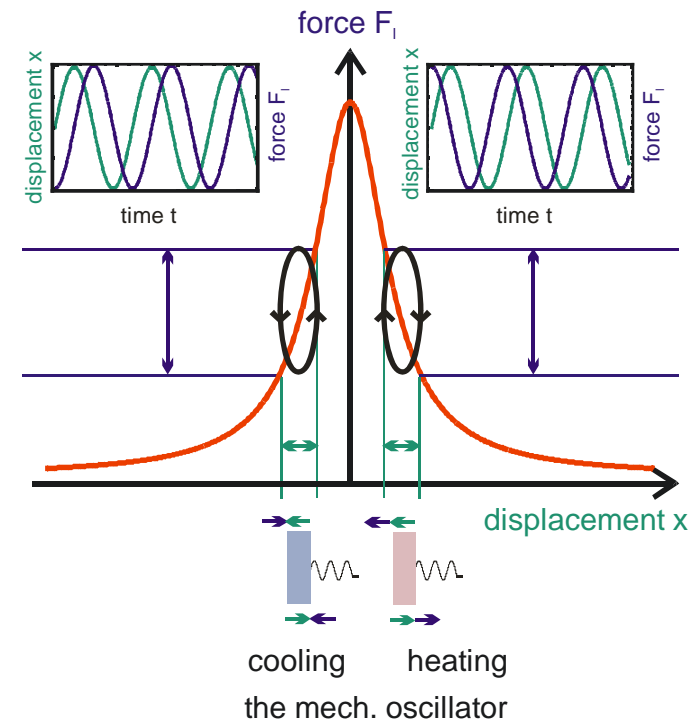
Intracavity power responsible for **force** acting on the mirrors

$$F_1(x) = \frac{2P(x)}{c} \approx \frac{2}{c} \frac{dP(x)}{dx} x.$$

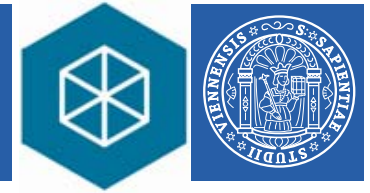
→ Position Dependent Force creates an additional harmonic potential

$$\ddot{x} + \gamma_m \dot{x} + \left(\omega_m^2 - \frac{2}{c \cdot m} \frac{dP(x)}{dx} \right) x = \frac{F_B}{m}$$

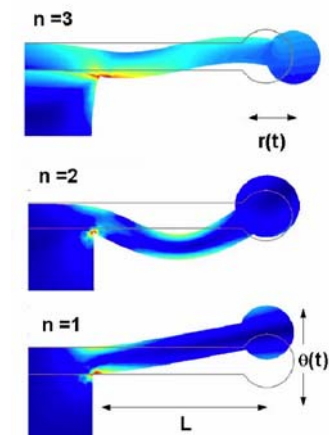
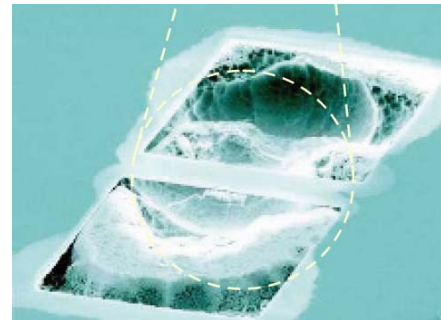
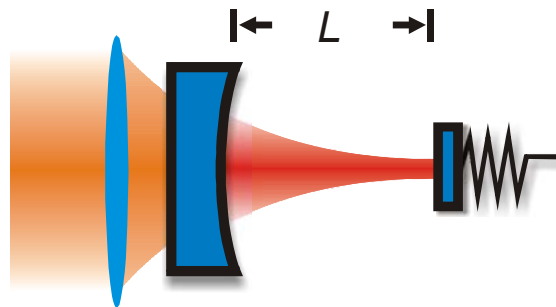
OPTICAL SPRING



Cavity Optomechanics



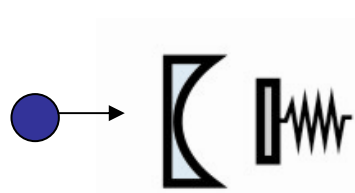
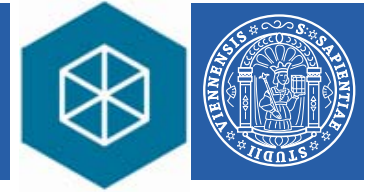
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Quantum - Cavity Optomechanics



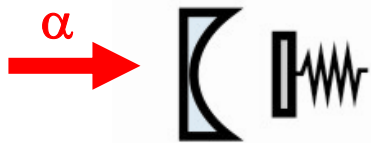
$$H_{\text{int}} = -\hbar g_0 n_c X_m$$

single-photon cavity frequency shift

$$g_0 = \frac{\omega_c}{L} \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m\omega_m}}$$

0.1...100 Hz
with most current systems
(too small!!)

Solution: strongly driven optomechanics



$$H_{\text{int}} = \hbar g_0 \alpha X_c X_m$$

enhancement by α

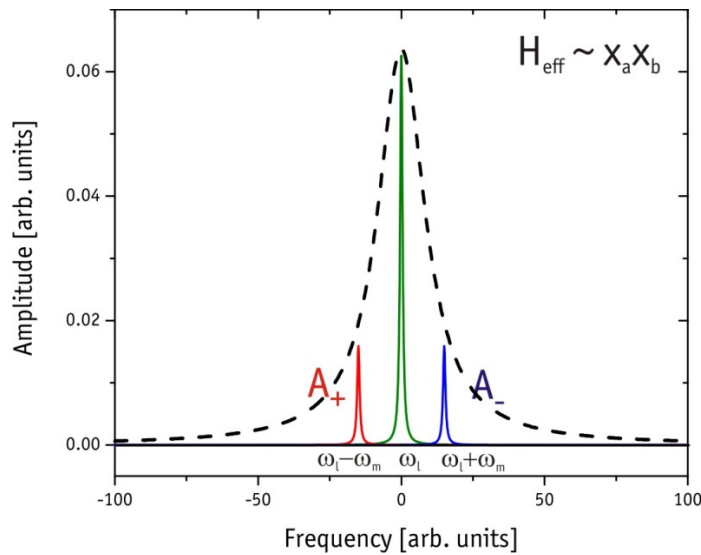
$$\alpha = \sqrt{n_c} \approx \theta(10^5)$$

→ strong coupling

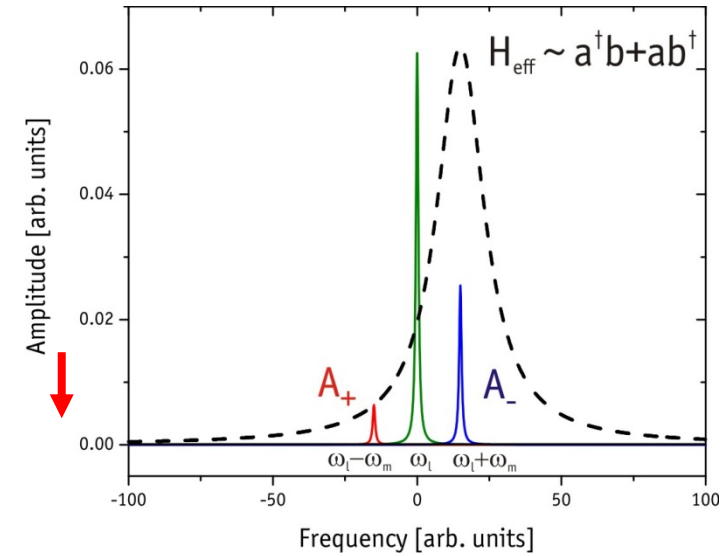
$$a \rightarrow \alpha + \bar{a}$$

Trade-off: only linear coupling... BUT...

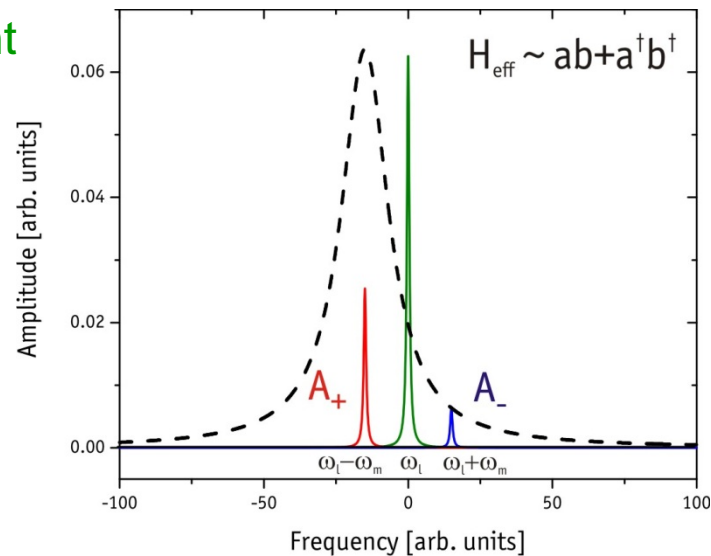
Linear coupling is sufficient



QND Measurement

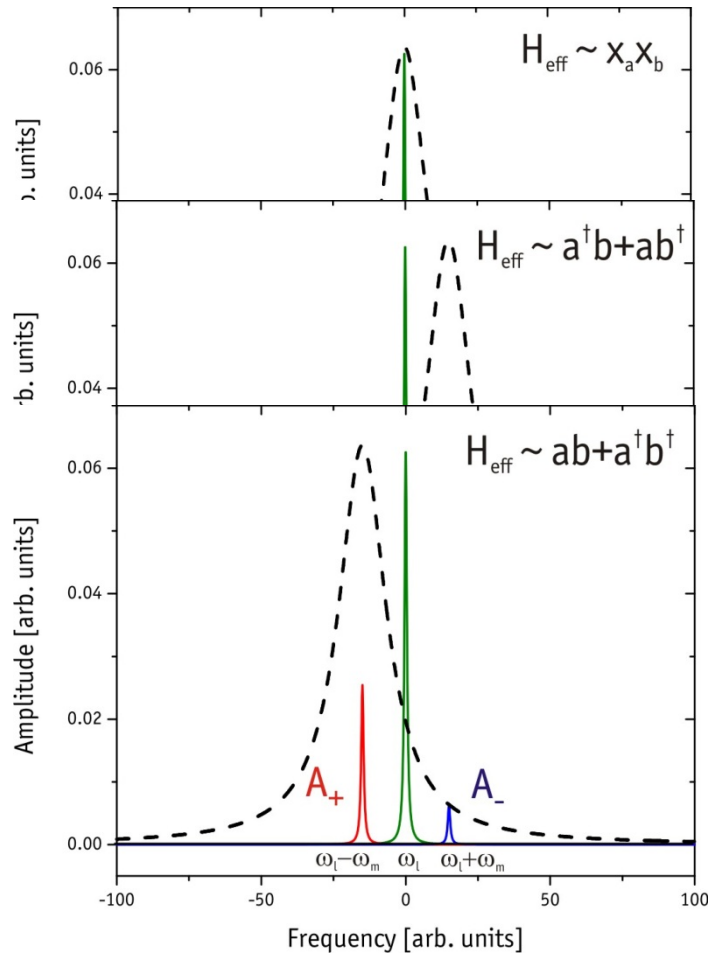


Beamsplitter Interaction



Squeezing Interaction

Linear coupling is sufficient



full **quantum optics** toolbox to prepare and control **mechanical quantum states** via photonic quantum states

Requires:

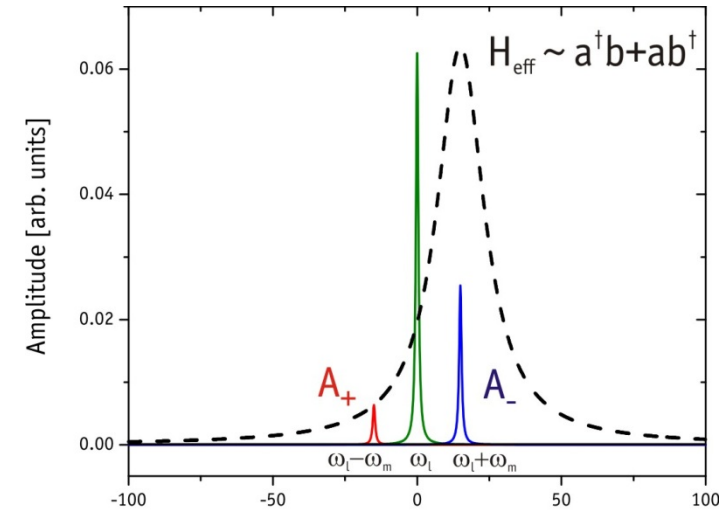
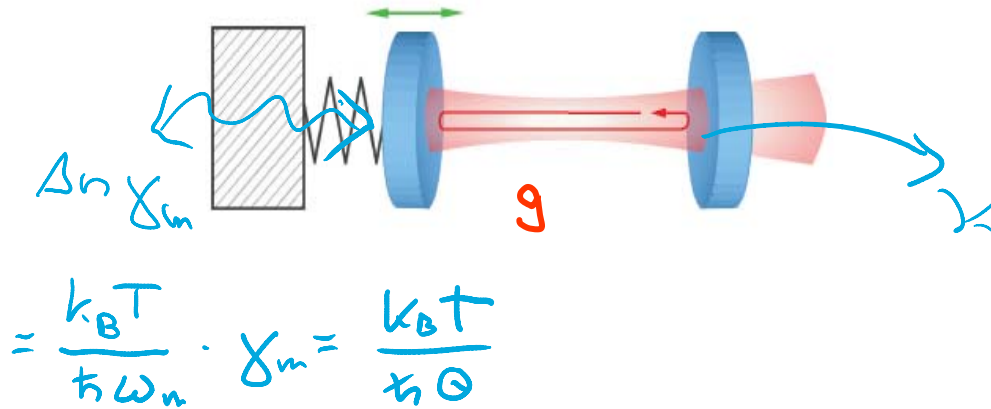
- Minimum entropy mechanics (e.g. ground state)
- +
- Strong optomechanical coupling (coupling rate > decoherence rate)

$$\frac{k_B T}{\hbar Q} \ll \kappa \ll \omega_m, g$$

RWA approximation: $g \ll \omega_m$

Zhang et al., PRA 68, 13808 (2003)

Sideband Cooling



Cooling into the quantum ground state possible

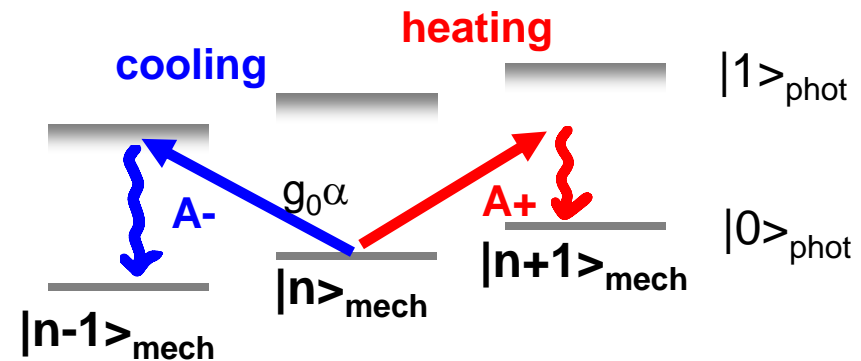
Analogue: sideband-resolved cooling of ions

Cooling rate $\Gamma = A_- - A_+ \approx \frac{(g_0 \alpha)^2}{\kappa}$

Thermal coupling / (decoherence) rate $\Gamma_{thermal} = \frac{k_B T}{\hbar Q}$

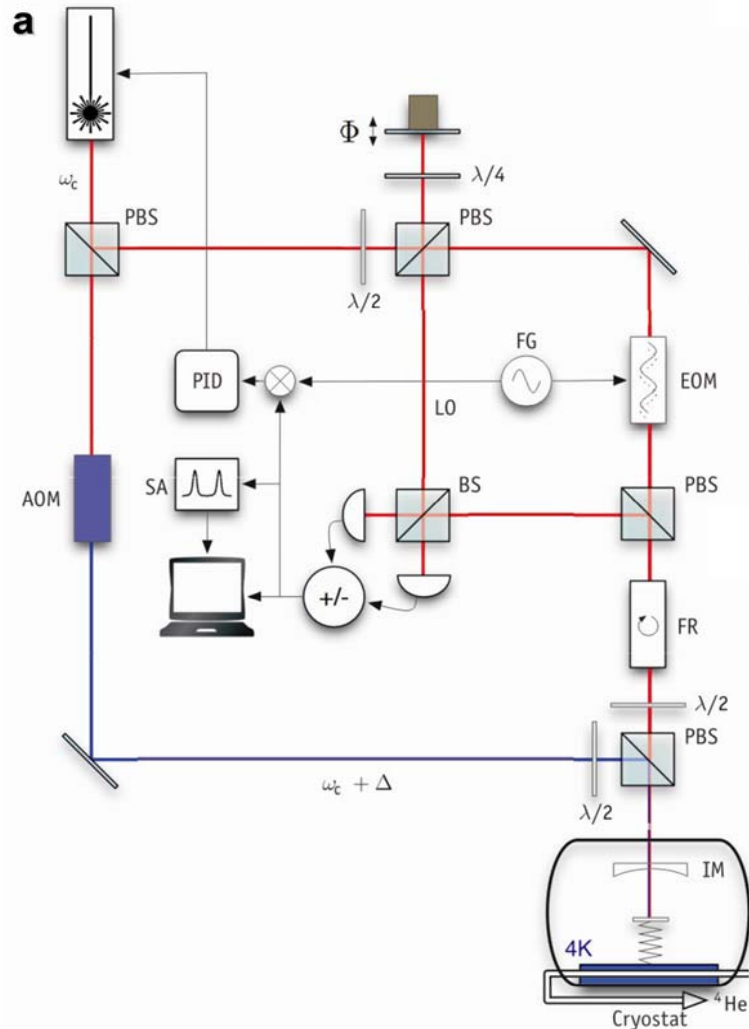
Effective mode occupation $\langle n \rangle_{mech} = \frac{\Gamma_{thermal} + A_+}{\Gamma}$

$\langle n \rangle_{mech}^{min} \approx \left(\frac{\kappa}{4\omega_m} \right)^2 \ll 1$ for sideband-resolved regime

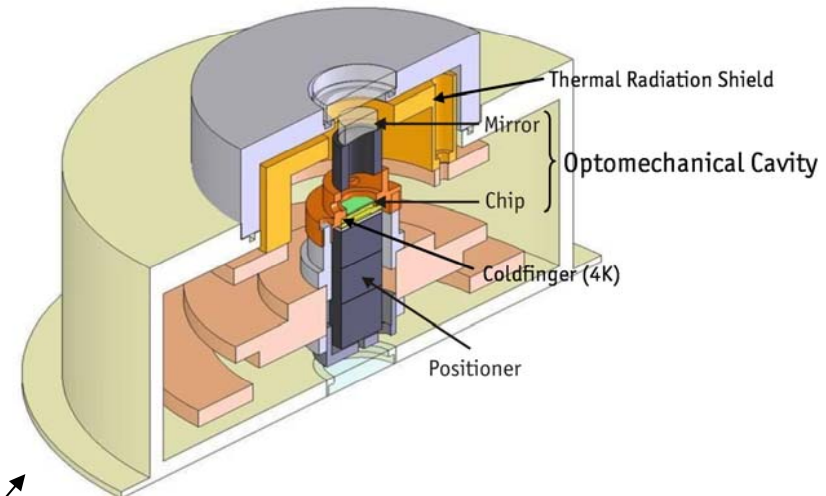


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Vienna Cooling Experiment

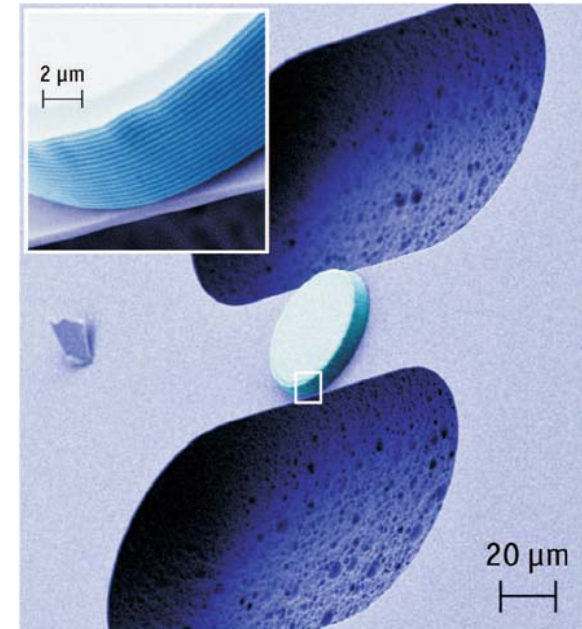
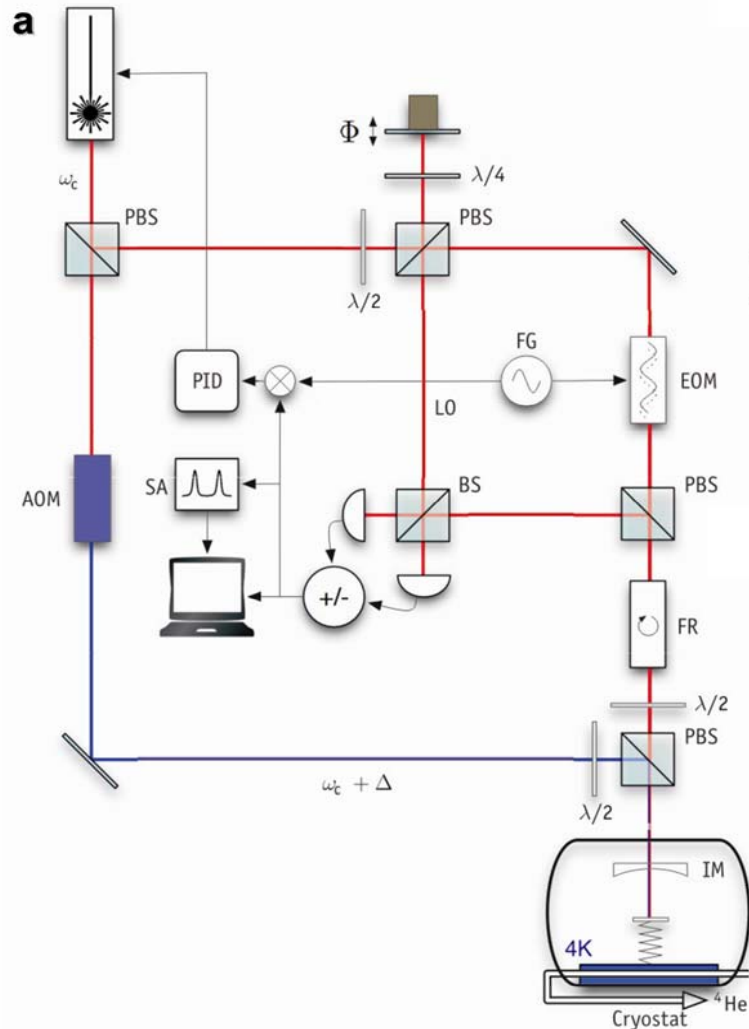


Kryostat holding the cavity with the sample



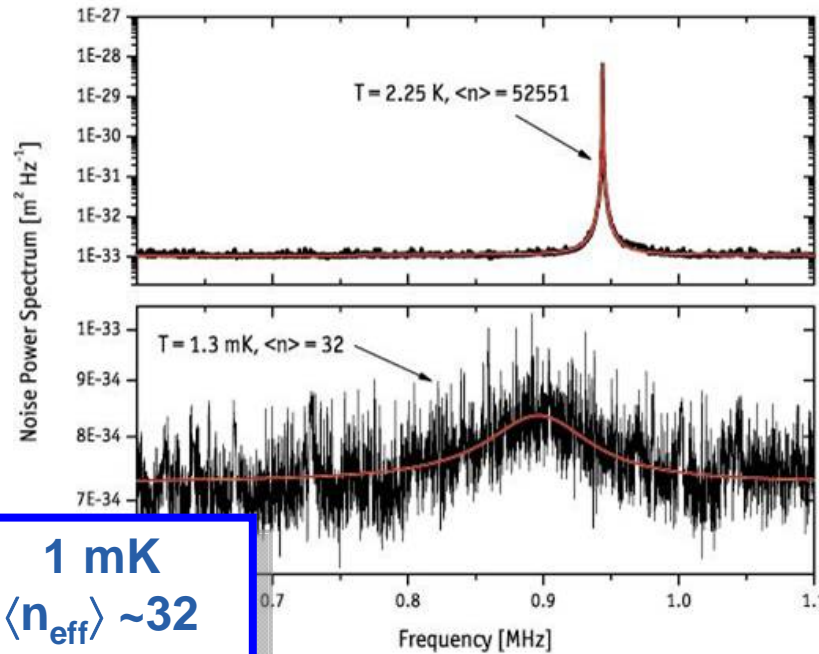
$$\begin{aligned}
 F &= 3800 \\
 \kappa &= 2\pi \times 793 \text{ kHz} \\
 \omega_m &= 2\pi \times 945 \text{ kHz}
 \end{aligned}$$

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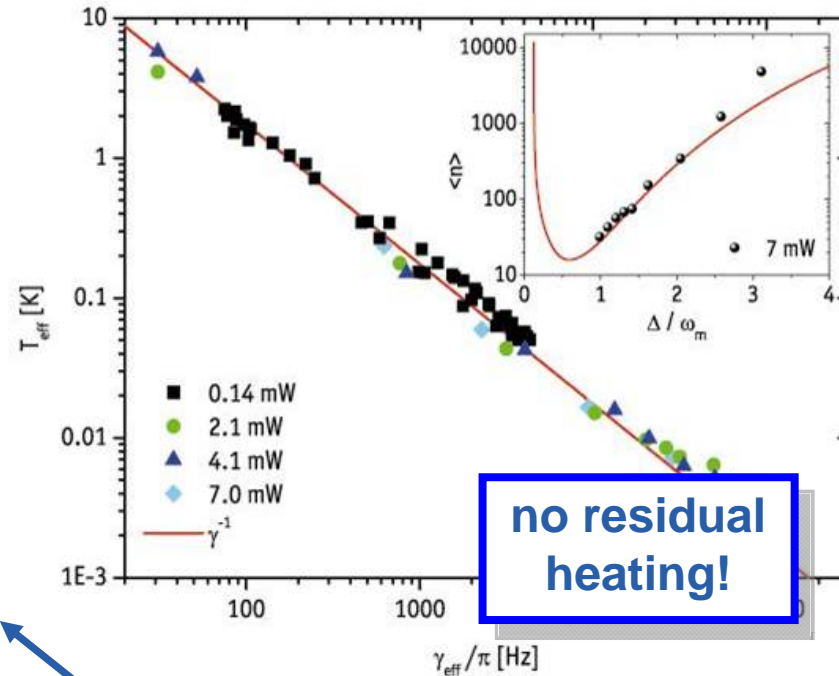


dielectric mirror pad ($\text{Ta}_2\text{O}_5/\text{SiO}_2$) on SiN_x
dimensions: $100\text{s} \times 50 \times 6 \mu\text{m}^3$
Quality factor: $Q=30000$ @ 5.3 K
Reflectivity > 0.9999

Ultracold optomechanical systems



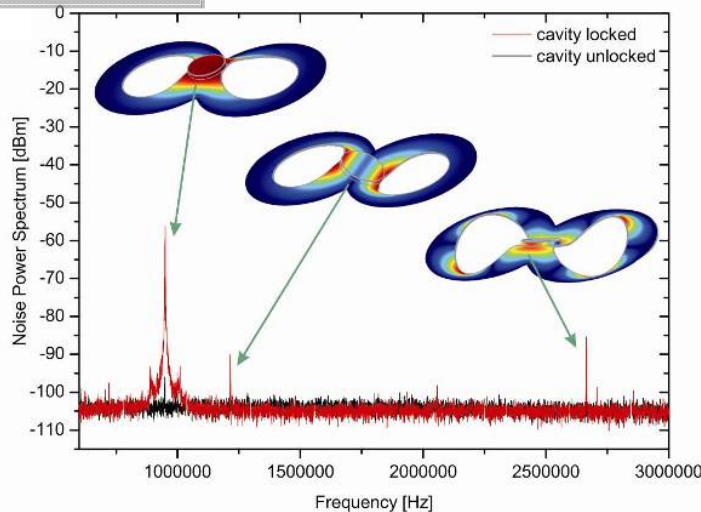
1 mK
 $\langle n_{\text{eff}} \rangle \sim 32$



no residual heating!

noise floor $\sim 2.6 \times 10^{-17} \text{ mHz}^{-1/2}$
4x above the shot noise limit

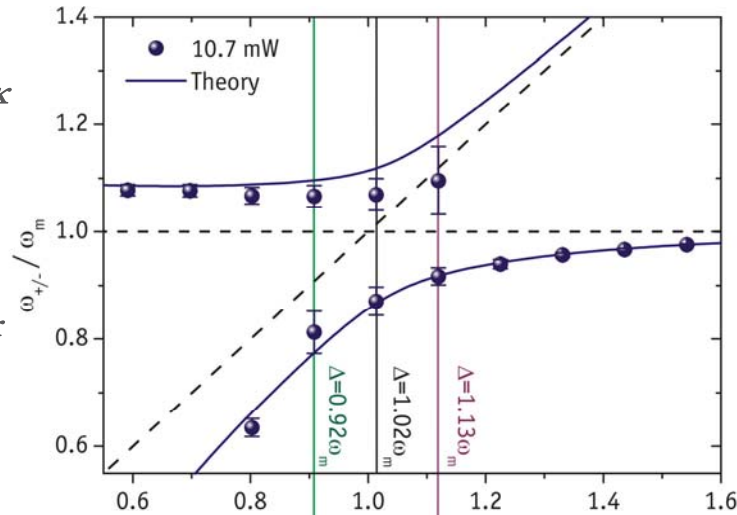
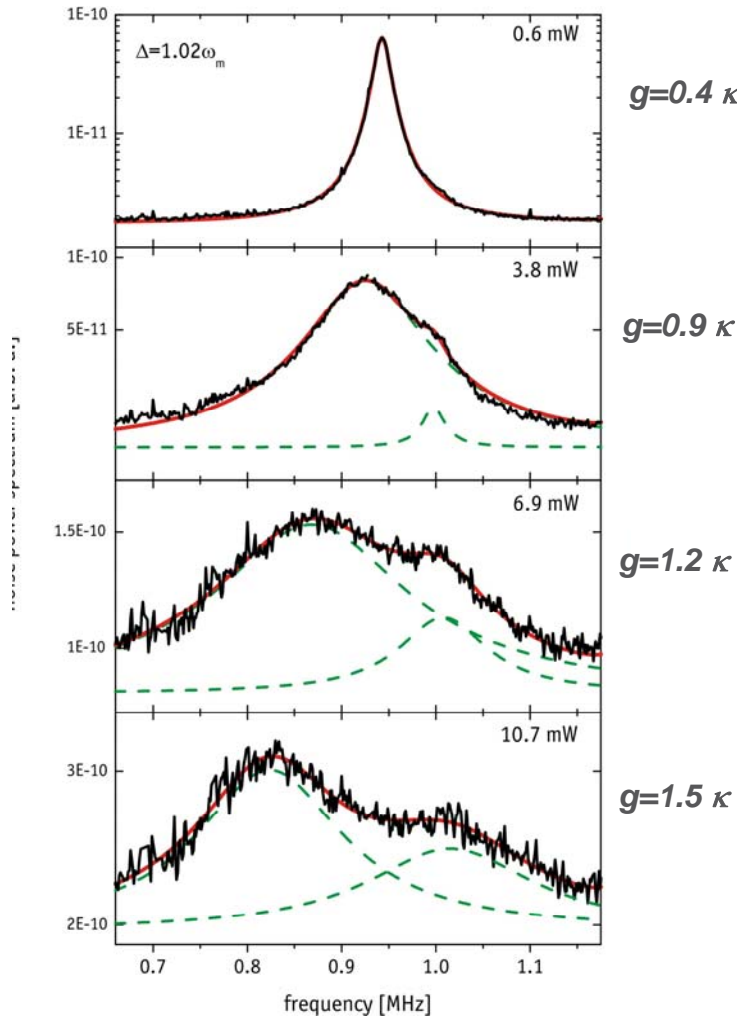
relevant modes identified via FEM



Optomechanical strong coupling



optomechanical normal mode splitting



avoided level crossing = normal mode spectrum of hybrid optomechanical states

strong coupling = reversible energy exchange large compared to systems' decoherence rate

$$g > \kappa, \gamma_m$$

$$g \approx 2\pi \times 325 \text{ kHz}$$

$$\kappa = 2\pi \times 215 \text{ kHz}$$

$$\gamma_m = 2\pi \times 140 \text{ Hz}$$

GS-Cooling and Strong coupling achieved



Quantum regime of mechanical oscillator

minimum entropy mechanical states (e.g. ground state via cooling)

S. Gröblacher et al., Nature Phys. 5 (09)

A. Schliesser et al., Nature Phys. 5 (09)

Y. Park et al., Nature Phys. 5 (09)

$$\langle n \rangle \sim 30$$

J. Teufel et al., arXiv:1103.2144 (11)

J. Chan et al., Nature 478 (11)

$$\langle n \rangle < 1$$

+

coherent photon-phonon exchange (strong optomechanical coupling)

S. Gröblacher et al., Nature Phys. 5 (09)

O'Connell et al., Nature 464 (10)

J. Teufel et al., Nature 471 (11)

$$\Gamma_m \ll \kappa \ll \omega_m, g$$

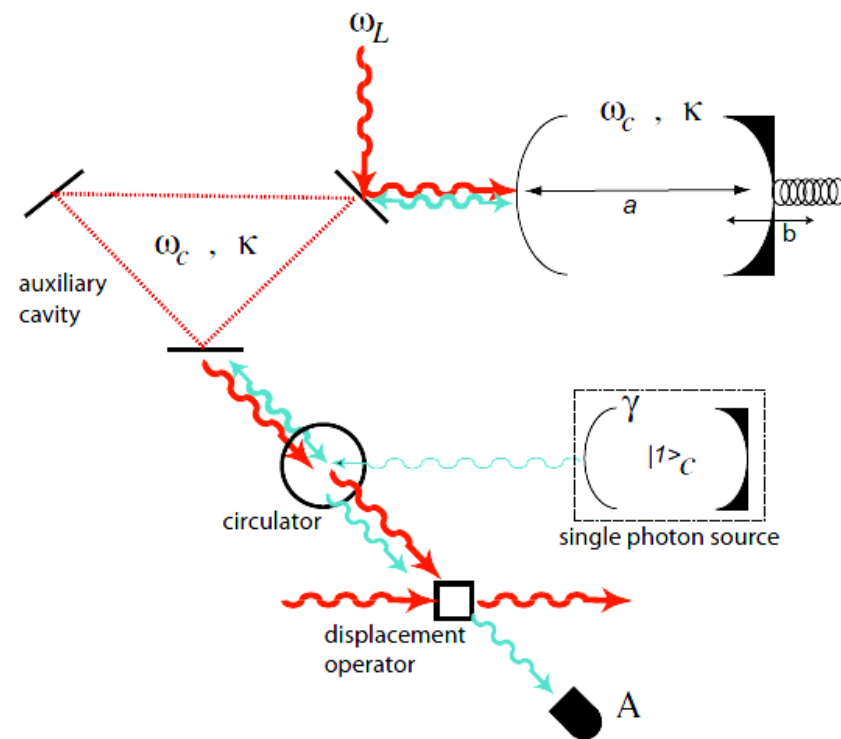
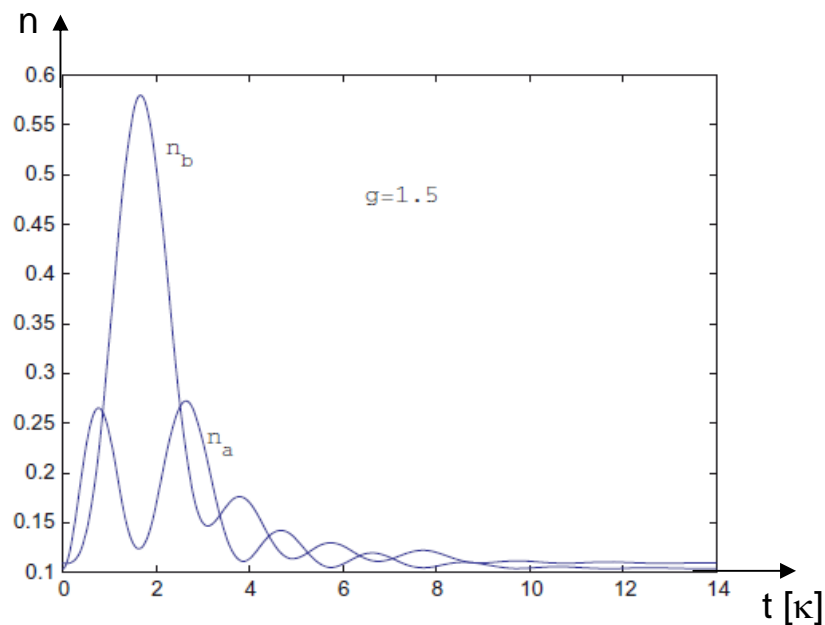
RWA approximation: $g \ll \omega_m$

Single Photon Optomechanics ?



Akram U, Kiesel N, Aspelmeyer, M,
Milburn G, *NJP* 12, 083030 (2010)

Single photon optomechanics enabled by strong driving
Optomechanical Rabi Oscillations

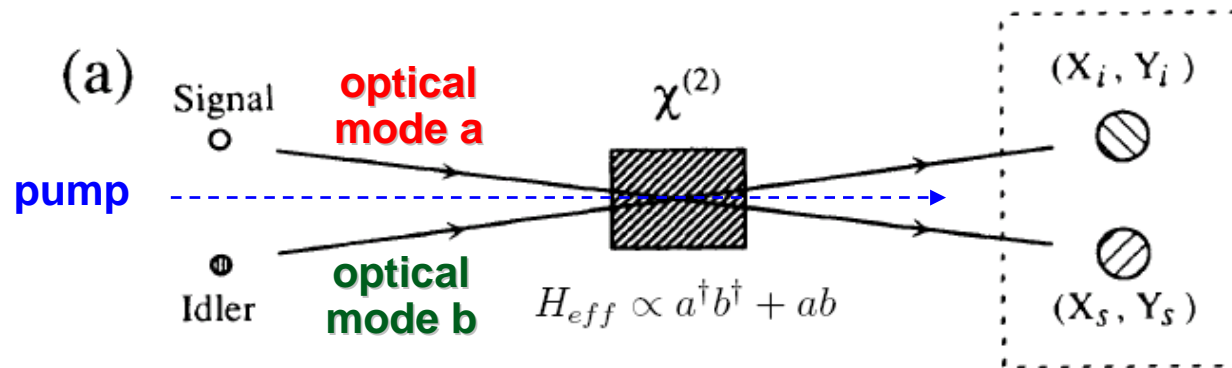


Closely related – Mechanical Storage of Light:
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D.E. Chang et al., *Nature* 472, 69 (2011) (OM - Slowing Light)

Towards Quantum-Optomechanical Entanglement

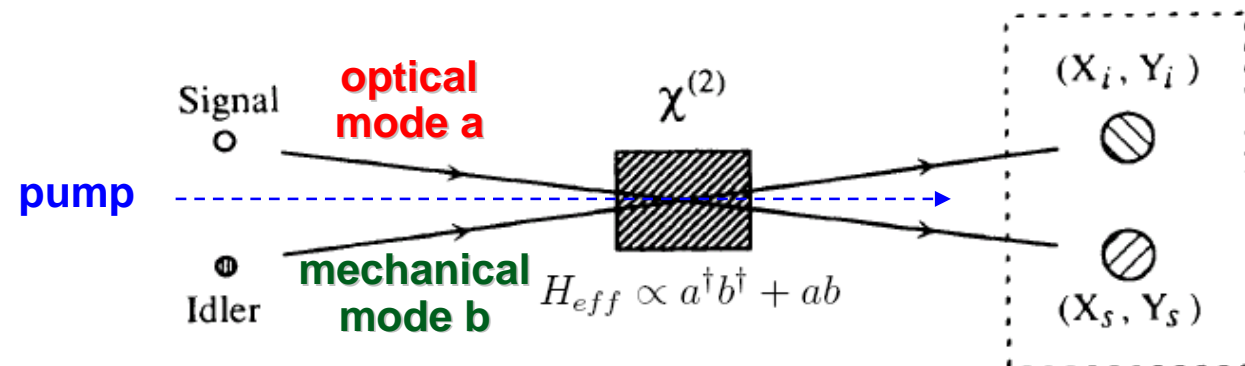
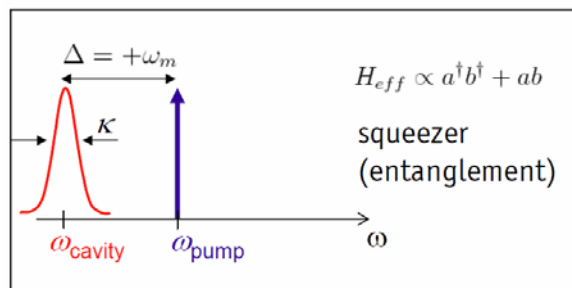


EPR Entanglement in parametric downconversion



Realization of the Einstein-Podolsky-Rosen Paradox for Continuous Variables
 Ou, Pereira, Kimble, Peng, PRL 68, 3663 (1992)

EPR Entanglement in „optomechanical parametric downconversion“

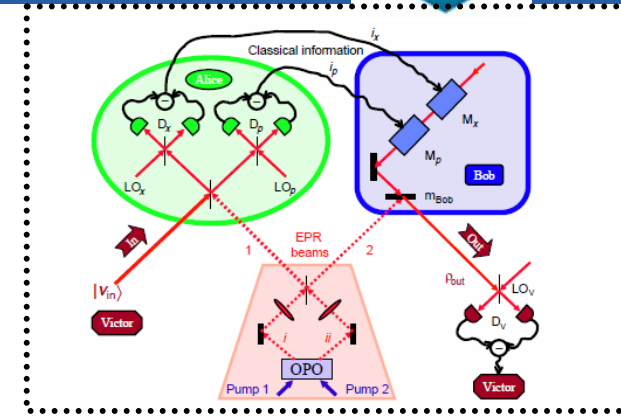


Teleportation



With light fields: Furusawa et al., Science 282, 707 (1998)

EPR-Entanglement between two light fields



Optomechanical correlations: towards EPR entanglement

$$\Delta_{\text{EPR}} = \Delta(x_1 - x_2)^2 + \Delta(p_1 + p_2)^2 \rightarrow 0 (< 2)$$

requires: $x_- = x_1 - x_2 \rightarrow 0$

$$p_+ = p_1 + p_2 \rightarrow 0$$

use entanglement for **optomechanical teleportation**

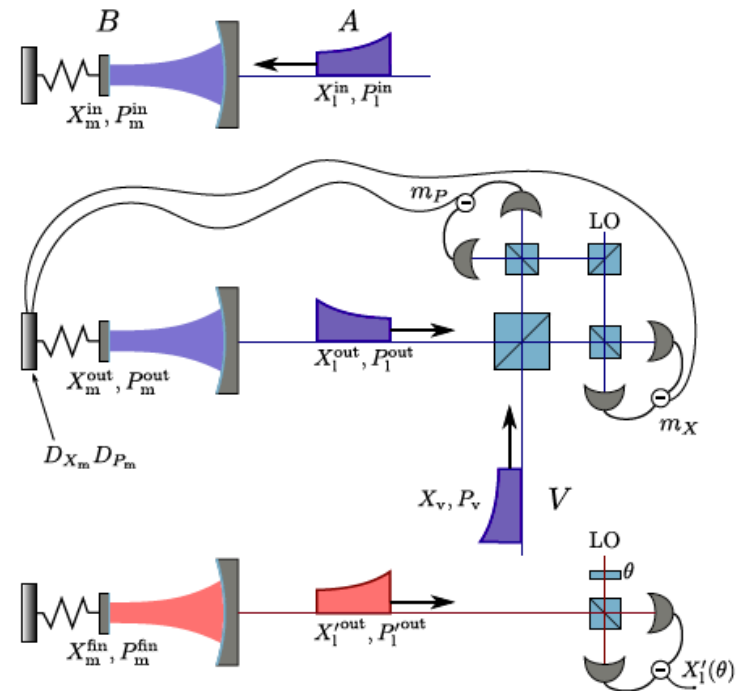
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D. Vitali et al. PRL 98, 030405 (2007)

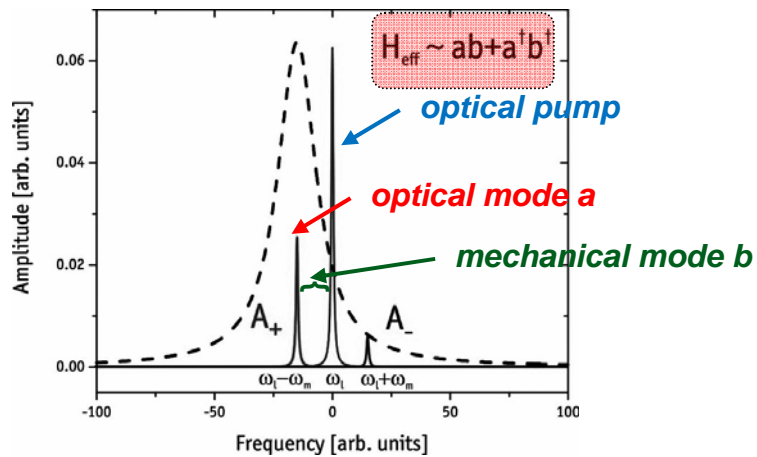
M. Paternostro et al. PRL 99, 250401 (2007)

Romero-Isart O, Phys. Rev. A. 83, 013803 (2011). and many others...



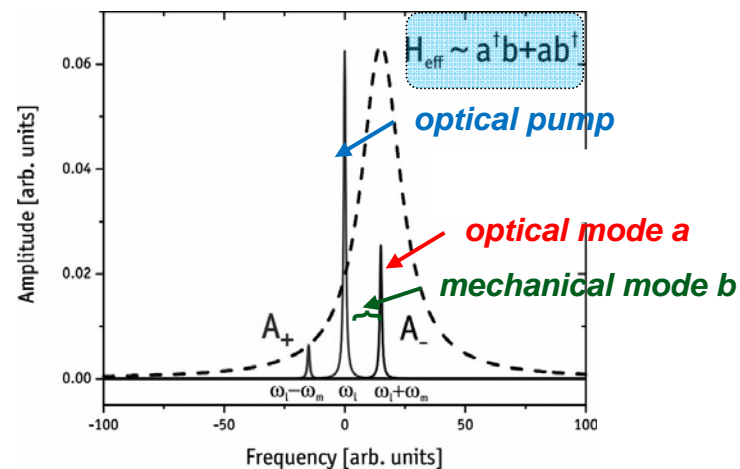
Hofer et al. arXiv:1108.2586.

Cooling + 2-mode squeezing



blue-detuned in resolved sideband:
two-mode squeezing

BUT:
cavity instability (system becomes nonlinear)
mechanical mode temperature increases



red-detuned in resolved sideband: cooling

„pure“ beam splitter interaction only true in
the RWA ($g \ll \omega_m$), full interaction:

$$\mathcal{H}_{rp} = \hbar g (a_c a_m^\dagger + a_c^\dagger a_m) + \hbar g (a_c^\dagger a_m^\dagger + a_c a_m)$$

$\sim g/\omega_m$

simultaneous „strong“ cooling and „weak“ squeezing

Experiment OM down conversion

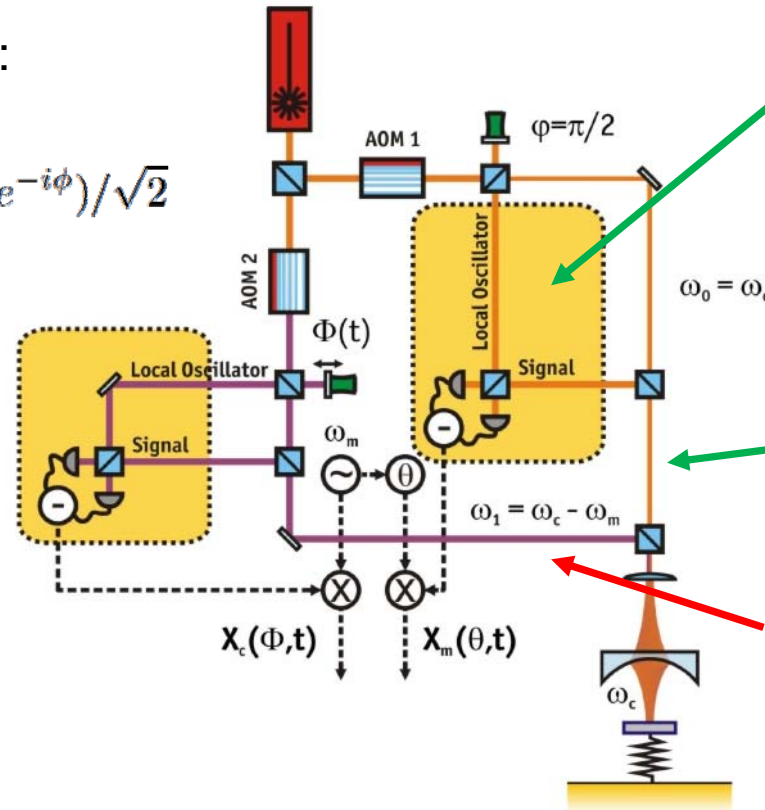


homodyne detection:
read out optical field

$$\hat{X}_l(\phi) = (ae^{i\phi} + a^\dagger e^{-i\phi})/\sqrt{2}$$

homodyne detection:
read out resonant light
field to infer mechanics

$$\hat{X}_r(\gamma) = (a_r e^{i\gamma} + a_r^\dagger e^{-i\gamma})/\sqrt{2}$$

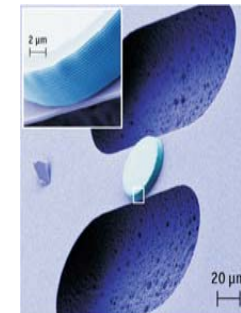


locking beam
 $g \ll \kappa < \omega_m$

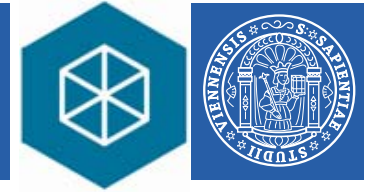
ω_m -detuned beam:
tunable g
for cooling and squeezing

correlate time traces
of two independent
homodyne detections
to obtain optomechanical
correlation

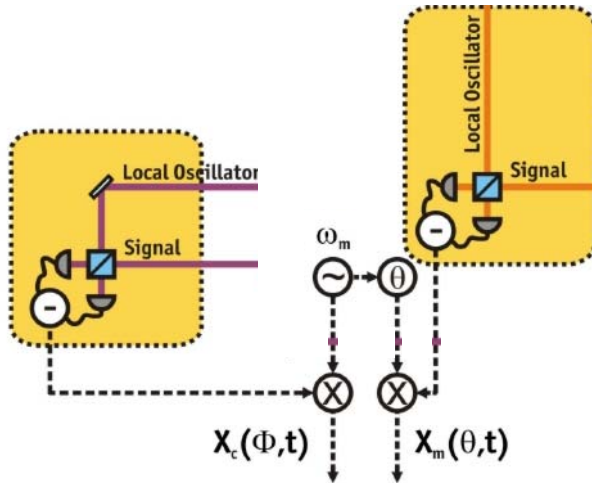
Finesse 20000
 $Q_m \sim 2000$ at RT (precooled)
 $m_{eff} = 270\text{ng}$



Correlation



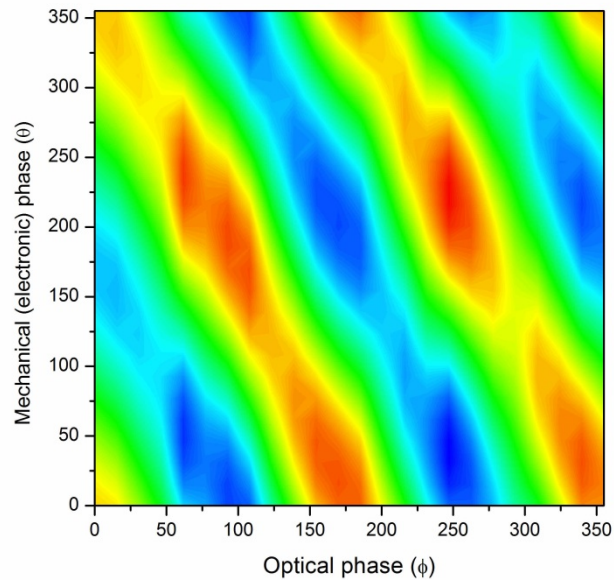
determination of correlations:



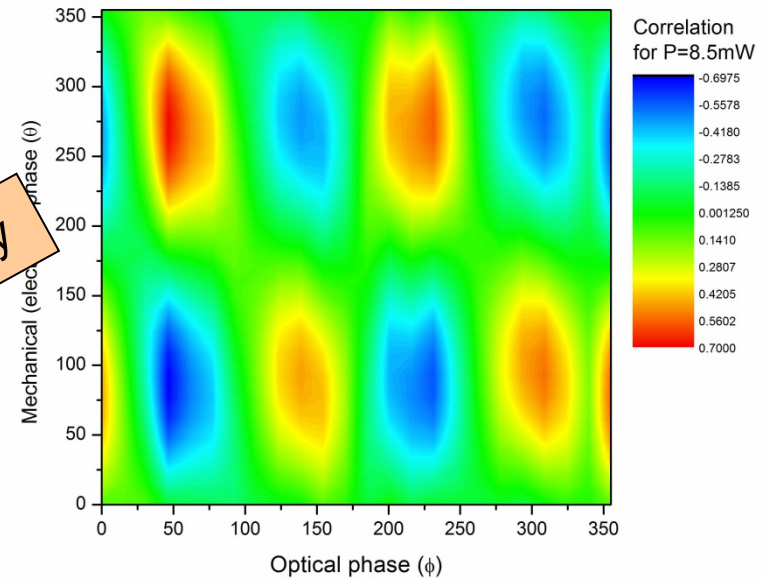
$$A = \hat{X}_l(\phi)$$

$$B = \hat{X}_m(\theta)$$

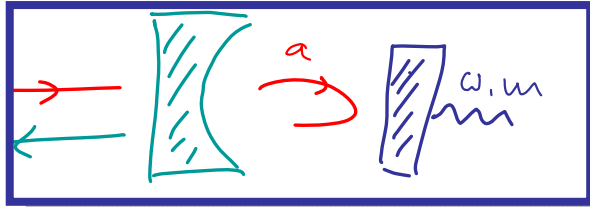
$$C(\phi, \theta) = \frac{\langle (A - \langle A \rangle)(B - \langle B \rangle) \rangle}{\sqrt{\langle (A - \langle A \rangle)^2 \rangle \langle (B - \langle B \rangle)^2 \rangle}}$$



preliminary

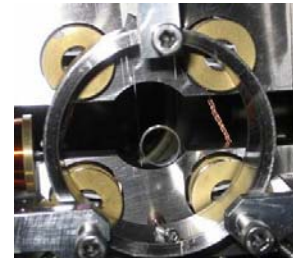


Opto-mechanical systems (a few examples)

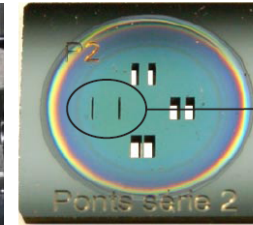


FP cavity

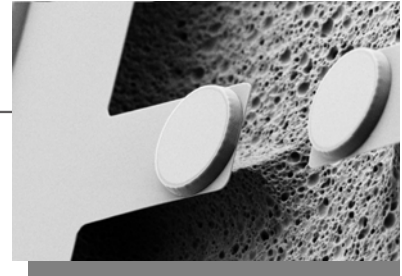
$O(\text{kg-ng})$



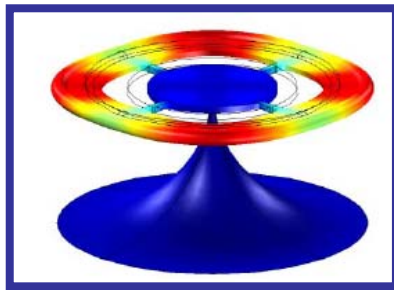
Mavalvala (LIGO, MIT)



Heidman (Paris)



Aspelmeyer (Vienna)

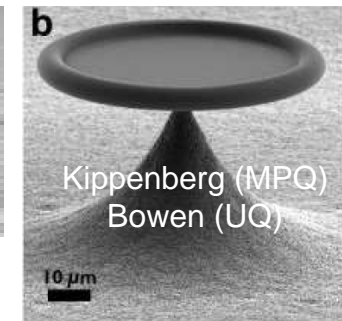


Toroidal microcavity

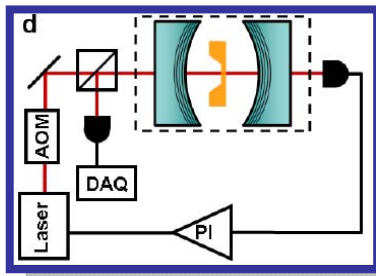
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Vahala (Caltech)

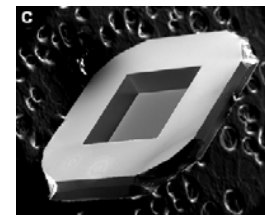


Kippenberg (MPQ)
Bowen (UQ)

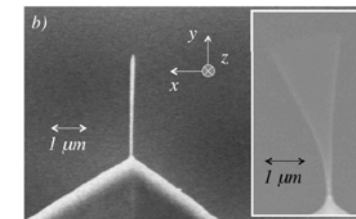


“Dispersive” coupling

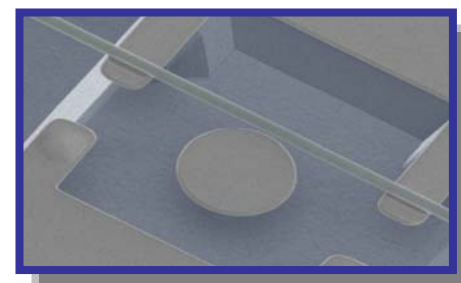
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Harris (Yale)
Kimble (Caltech)

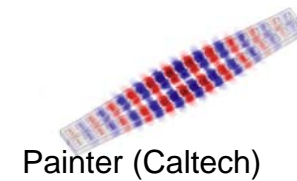


Favero (Paris)

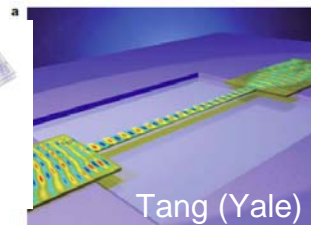


“Dipole” coupling

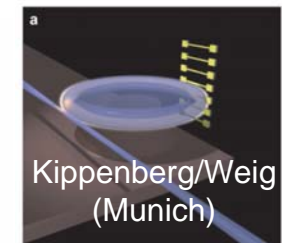
$O(\text{pg})$



Painter (Caltech)

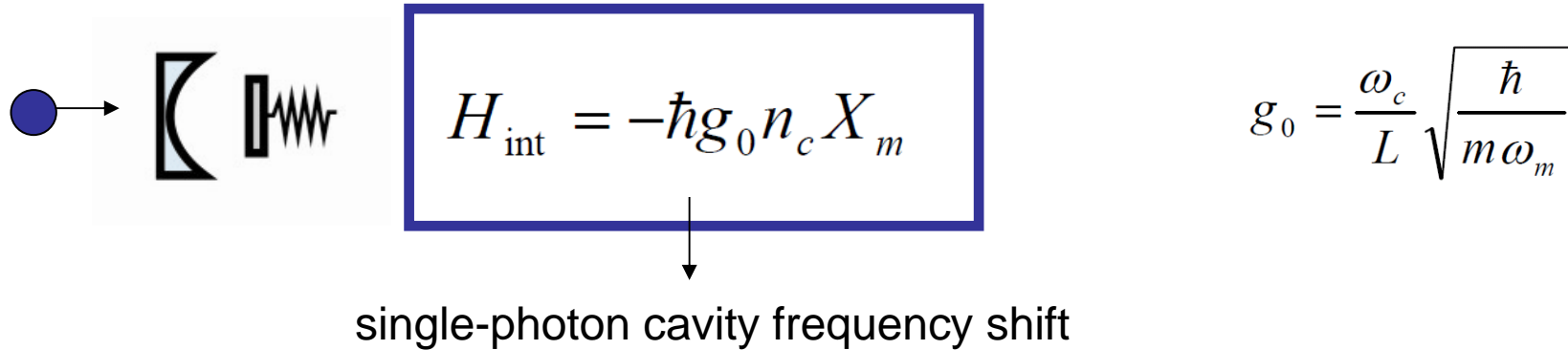
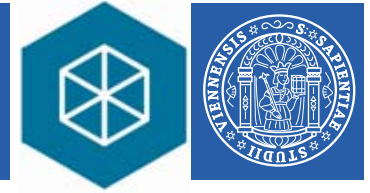


Tang (Yale)

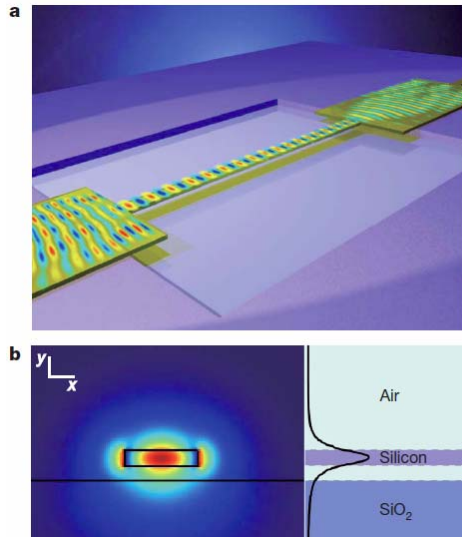


Kippenberg/Weig
(Munich)

Nonlinear Single Photon Coupling?



General requirement in Fabry-Perot geometry: **Finesse** $> \lambda/x_{\text{zP}}$ ($O(10^6)$)



PROMISING APPROACH: Optical gradient forces

Idea: enhance cavity response $g_0 = d\omega_c/dx$ by **near-field effects in optical waveguides**

Advantage: low mass (pg), large g_0 (up to 10^5)

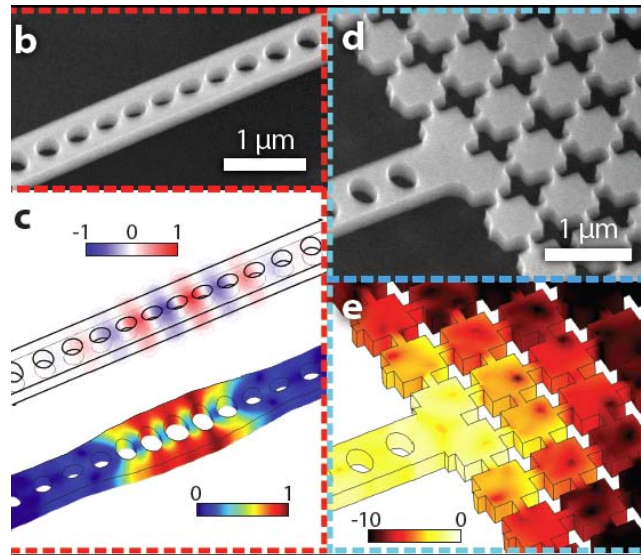
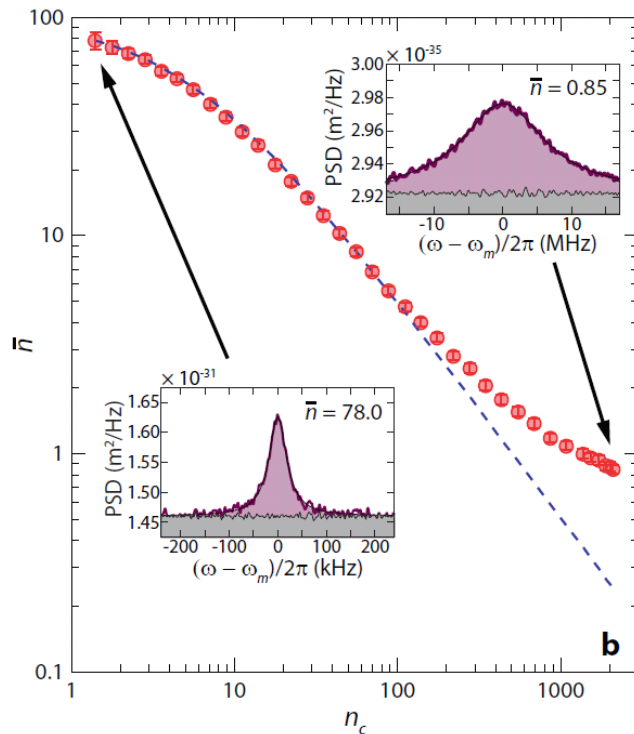
Current bottleneck: cavity decay too large ($\kappa > 10^8$)

Tang group Nature 456, 480 (2008)
Painter group Nature 459, 550 (2009)

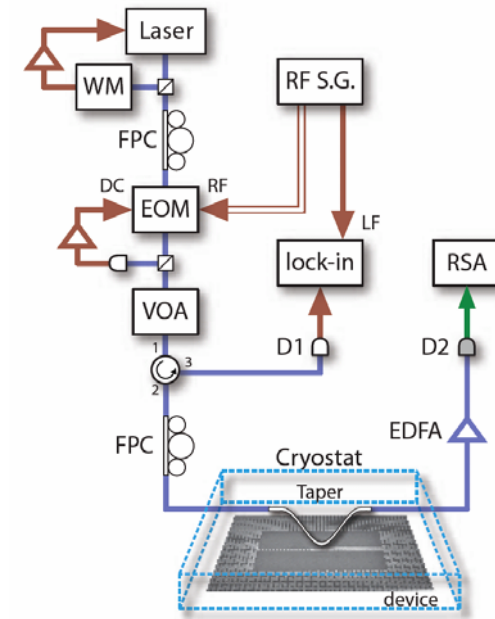
Ground-state laser cooling of a nanomechanical resonator



- **Optomechanical crystal** (photonic & phononic bandgap structure)
- **3.5 GHz mechanical mode** at 20 K ($\langle n \rangle \sim 100$)
- $m \sim O(\text{pg})$, $N \sim O(10^{10})$ atoms
- currently limited by absorption effects, optical linewidth ~ 350 MHz



$\langle n \rangle \sim 0.8$
Caltech/Vienna May 11



Note also:
 Measurement of
 Sideband Asymmetry:
 Safavi-Naeini et al..
arXiv 1108.4680 (2011)

J. Chan, T. P. M. Alegre, A. H. Safavi-Naeini, J. T. Hill, A. Krause, S. Gröblacher, M. Aspelmeyer, O. J. Painter, *Nature*, 478, 1 (2011)

Most Recently: Further ideas on QIPC with OM crystals



Optomechanical quantum information processing with photons and phonons

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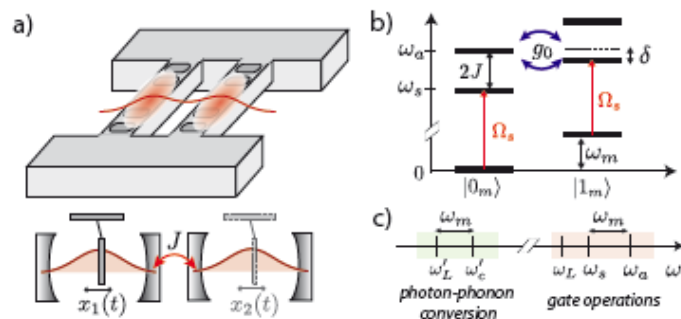
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(Dated: February 16, 2012)

We describe how strong resonant interactions in multimode optomechanical systems can be used to induce controlled nonlinear couplings between single photons and phonons. Combined with linear mapping schemes between photons and phonons, these techniques provide a universal building block for various classical and quantum information processing applications. Our approach is especially suited for nano-optomechanical devices, where strong optomechanical coupling on a single photon level is within experimental reach.

PACS numbers: 42.50.Wk, 03.67.Hk, 07.10.Cm

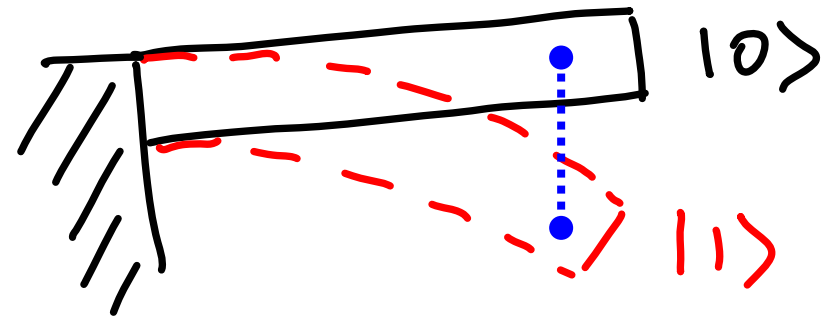
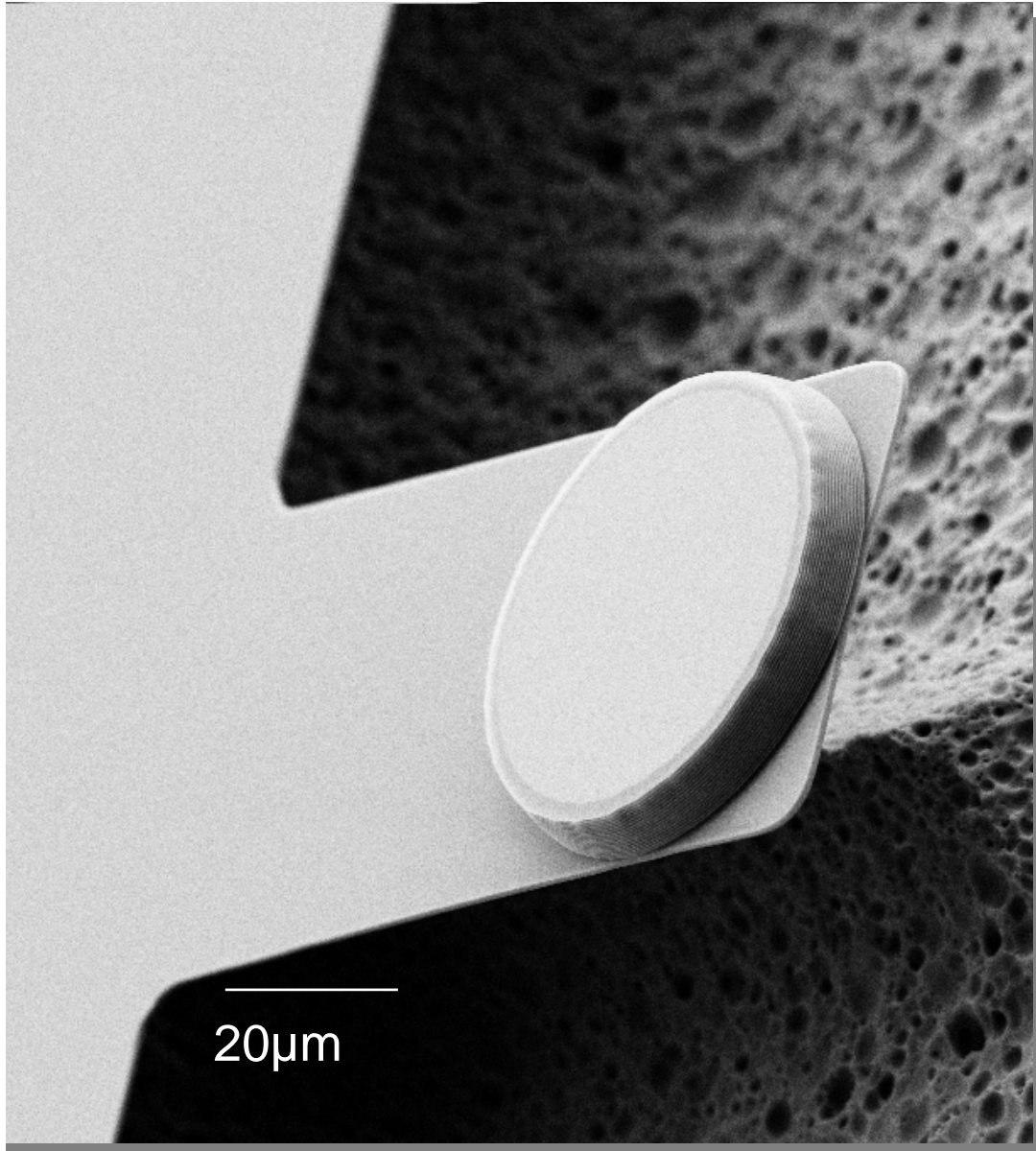


An OM single photon source

Single-phonon single-photon transistor

Phonon-phonon interactions

A mechanical cat? Schrödinger's mirrors?



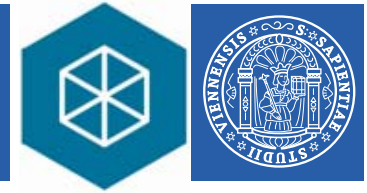
Superposition of macroscopically distinct states?

Tests of macrorealistic theories? (Collapse models, Leggett-Garg, ...)

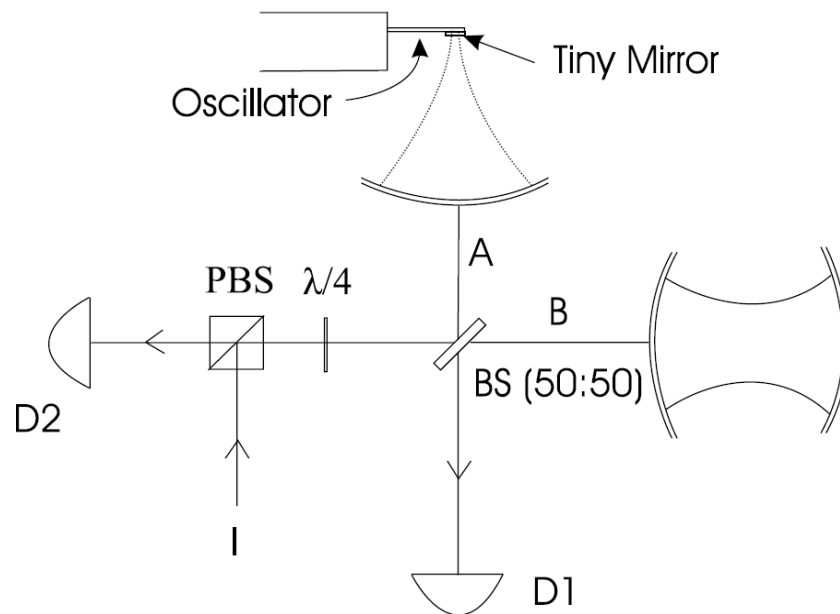
Tests of predictions of quantum gravity?

Short introduction to the subject:
Adler, Bassi, Science 325, 275 (2009)

A mechanical cat? Schrödinger's mirrors?



Marshall, Simon, Penrose, Bouwmeester,
PRL 91, 130401 (2003)



also: A.D. Armour, M.P. Blencowe, and K. Schwab, PRL
88, 148301 (2002.)

A single photon – 2 paths

1. Path energy exchange with mechanical device
2. Path no interaction

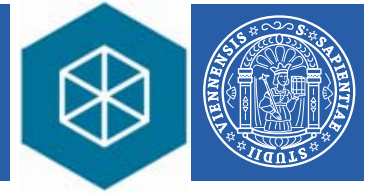
Interference and projection of Photon: $\frac{1}{2}$ excitation of mirror

Challenging:

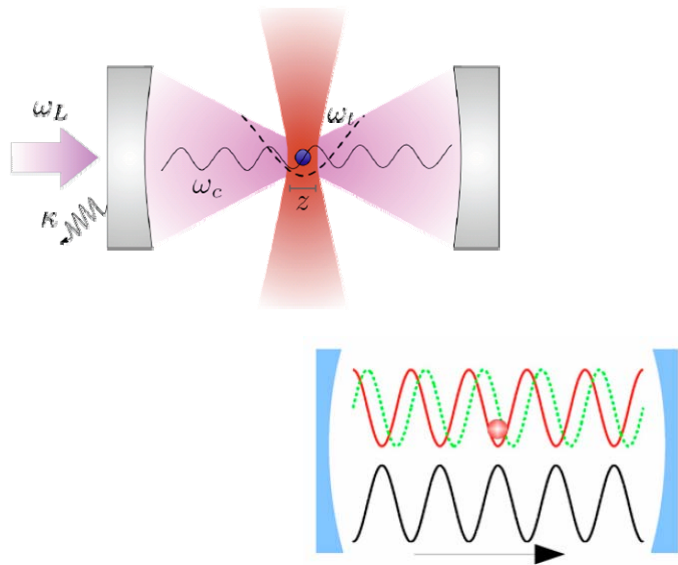
Single Photon Coupling
and
Low Frequencies
(for large displacement)

(high mechanical Q/T required)

High-Q by levitation



Optically levitated nanospheres



- Chang et al., quant-ph 0909.1548 (2009), PNAS 2010
- Romero-Isart et al., quant-ph 0909.1469 (2009), NJP 2010
- P. F. Barker et al., PRA 2010

→ **Harmonic oscillator in optical potential**
(no support loss, high Q
tunable optical frequency)

→ **Quantum control via cavity
optomechanics**
(laser cooling, state transfer, etc.)

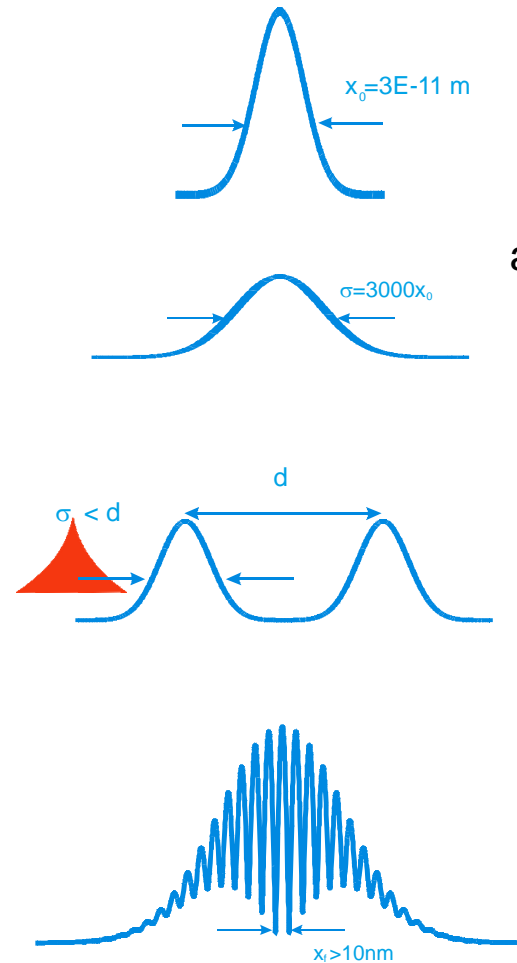
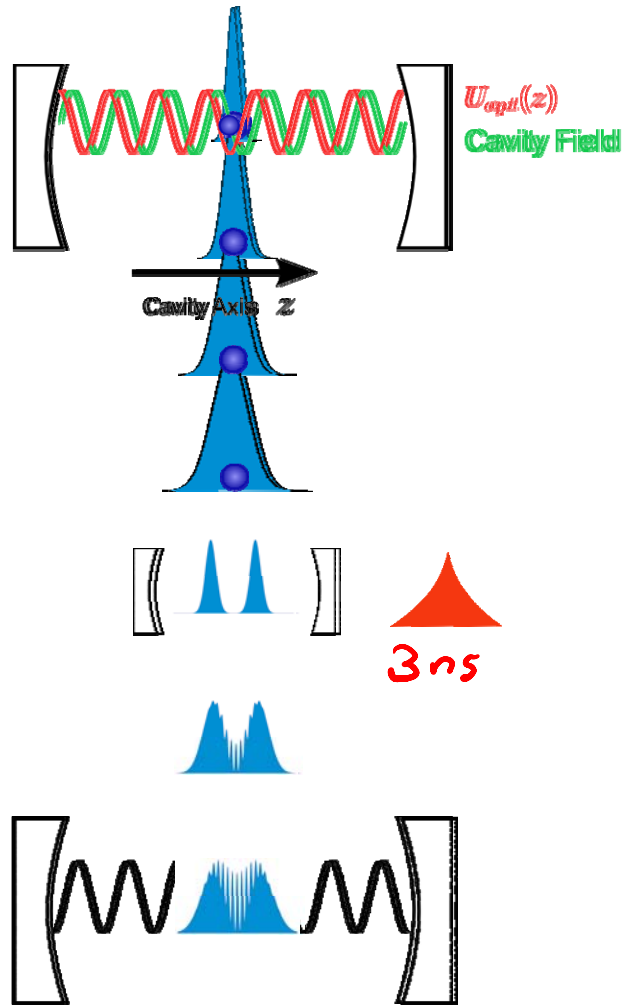
→ **More than just oscillator + OM control**
(e.g. optimized cooling Pender et al. , arXiv: 1107.0686)

Generation of quantum superposition states

- single-photon quantum state transfer
- quantum state teleportation
- ...
- **free fall . . .**

- Khalili, Danilishin, Miao, Muller-Ebhardt, Yang, Chen, quant-ph 1001.3738 (2010)
- Romero-Isart, Pflanzner, Juan, Quidant, Kiesel, Aspelmeyer, Cirac, Phys. Rev. A 83, 013803 (2011)
- Akram, Kiesel, Aspelmeyer, Milburn, NJP 12, 083030 (2010)

Large quantum superpositions



Object: $D=40\text{nm}$
Silica Sphere

Sideband Cooling of Nanosphere
to 0.1 phonons
analogous to cooling of micromirror

3.3 ms

Short Pulse
 x^2 -readout Projection
on Cat-State $|x\rangle + |-x\rangle$
(Cavity: $L=2\mu\text{m}$, $F=130000$)

125 ms

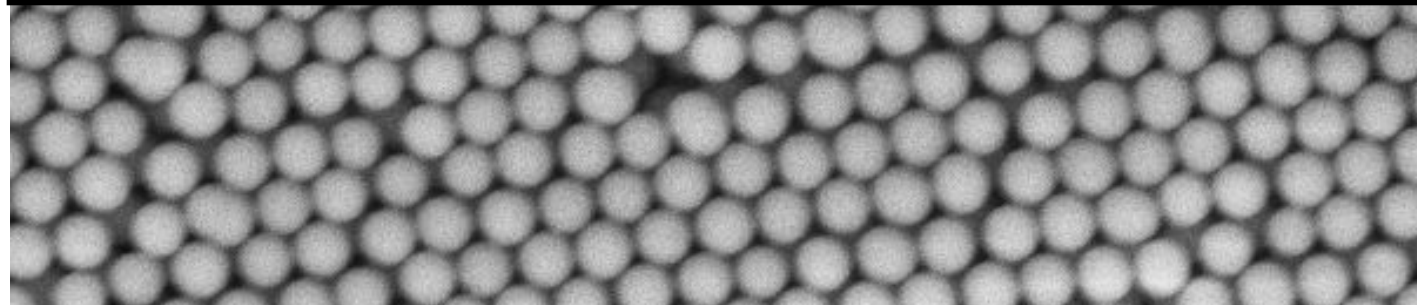
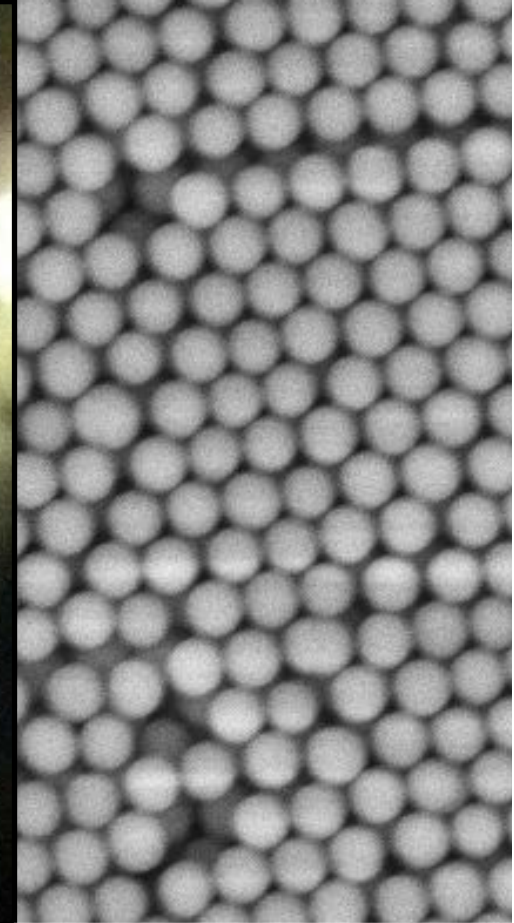
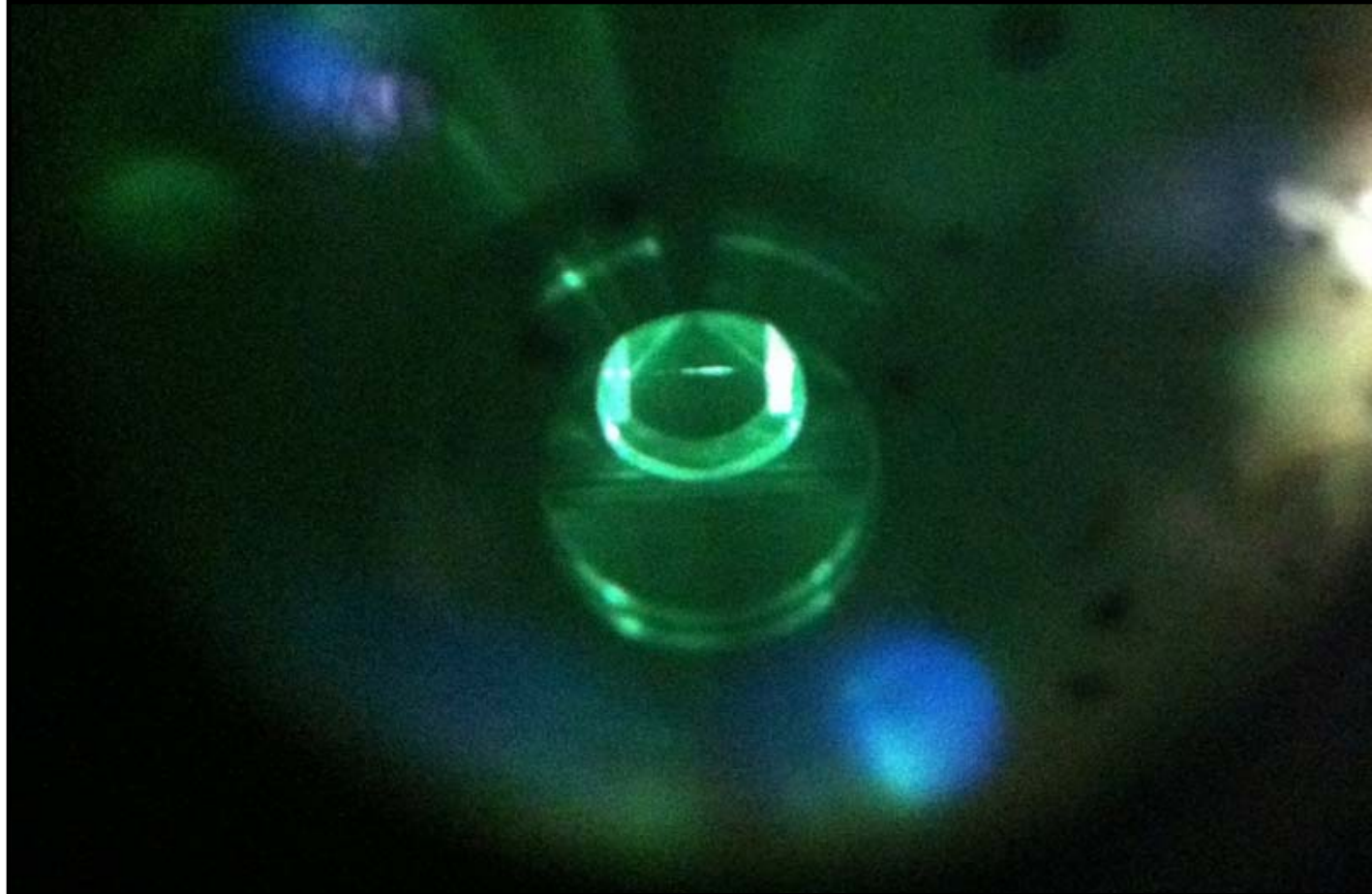
Position Detection
Precision: 10nm

O. Romero-Isart et al., PRL 107, 020405 (2011)

O. Romero-Isart, arXiv:1110.4495

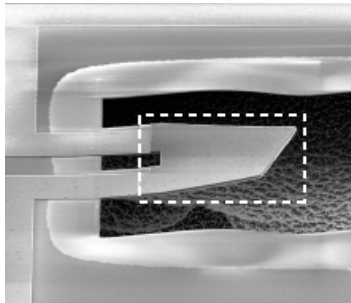
Similar Approach: Kaltenbaek et al., arXiv: 1201.4756

Outlook: Optomechanics with Levitating Nanospheres



R=128 nm (+/- 10 %)
Silica

Summary

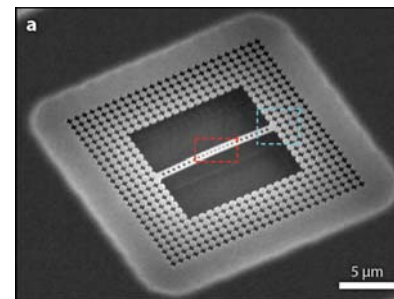


Mechanical Oscillators can serve as tailored quantum devices
In a completely new parameter regime in mass and size

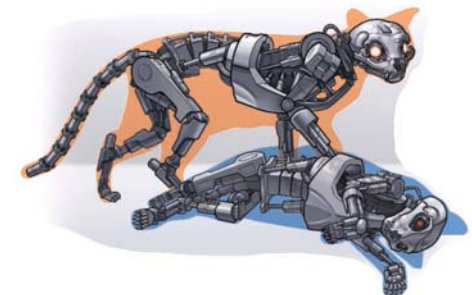


Experiments : cooling already
into the quantumground state and strong coupling
CW – QIPC possible

Exciting prospects
single photon optomechanics



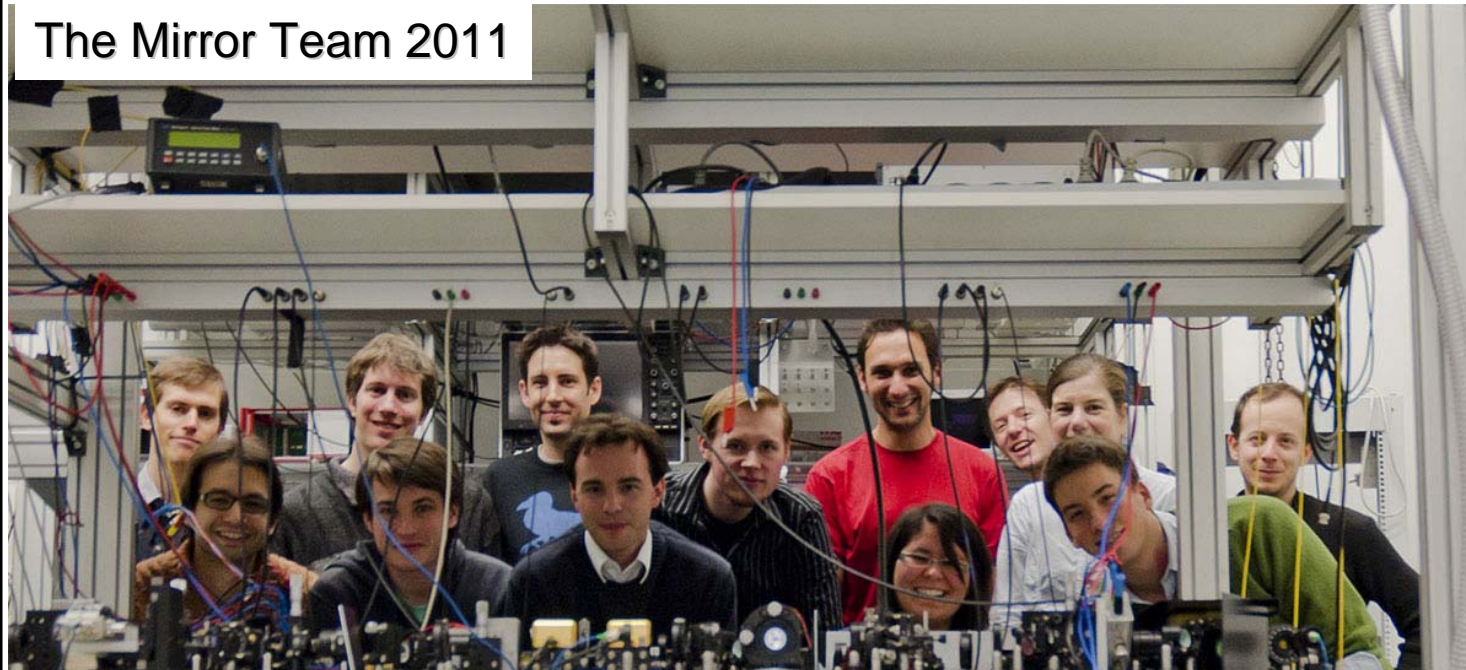
Quantum information protocols and studies of coherence in
extremely massive quantum systems envisioned



Quantum „mechanics“ in Vienna



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