

# Small Scale experiments for fundamental physics

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# Fundamental Physics

## Energy Frontier

Large Hadron Collider, CERN

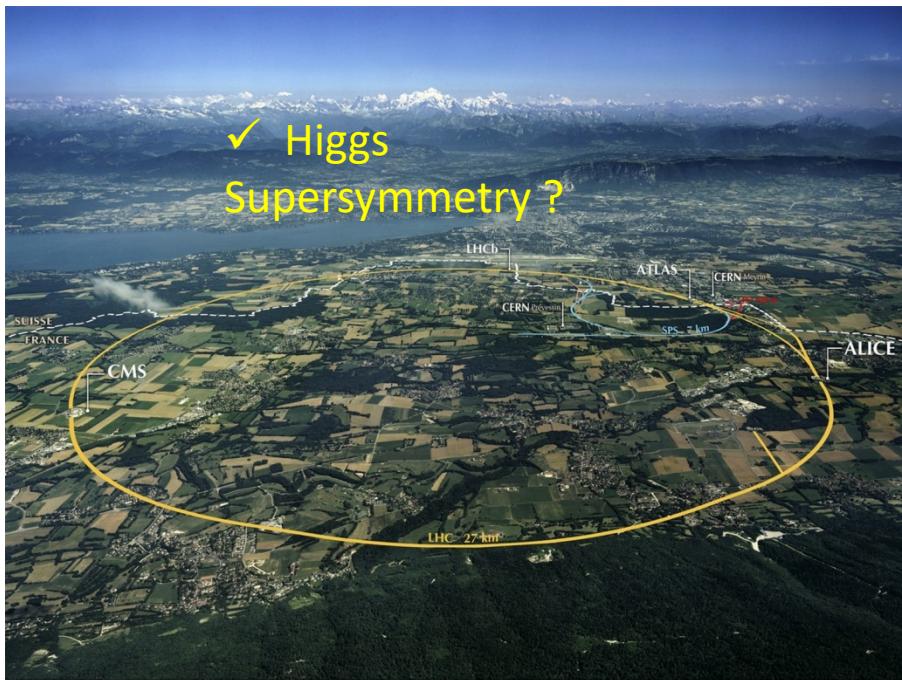
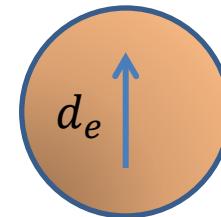


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<http://www.phys.washington.edu/groups/admx/home.html>

## Precision Frontier

- EDM experiments: search for supersymmetry

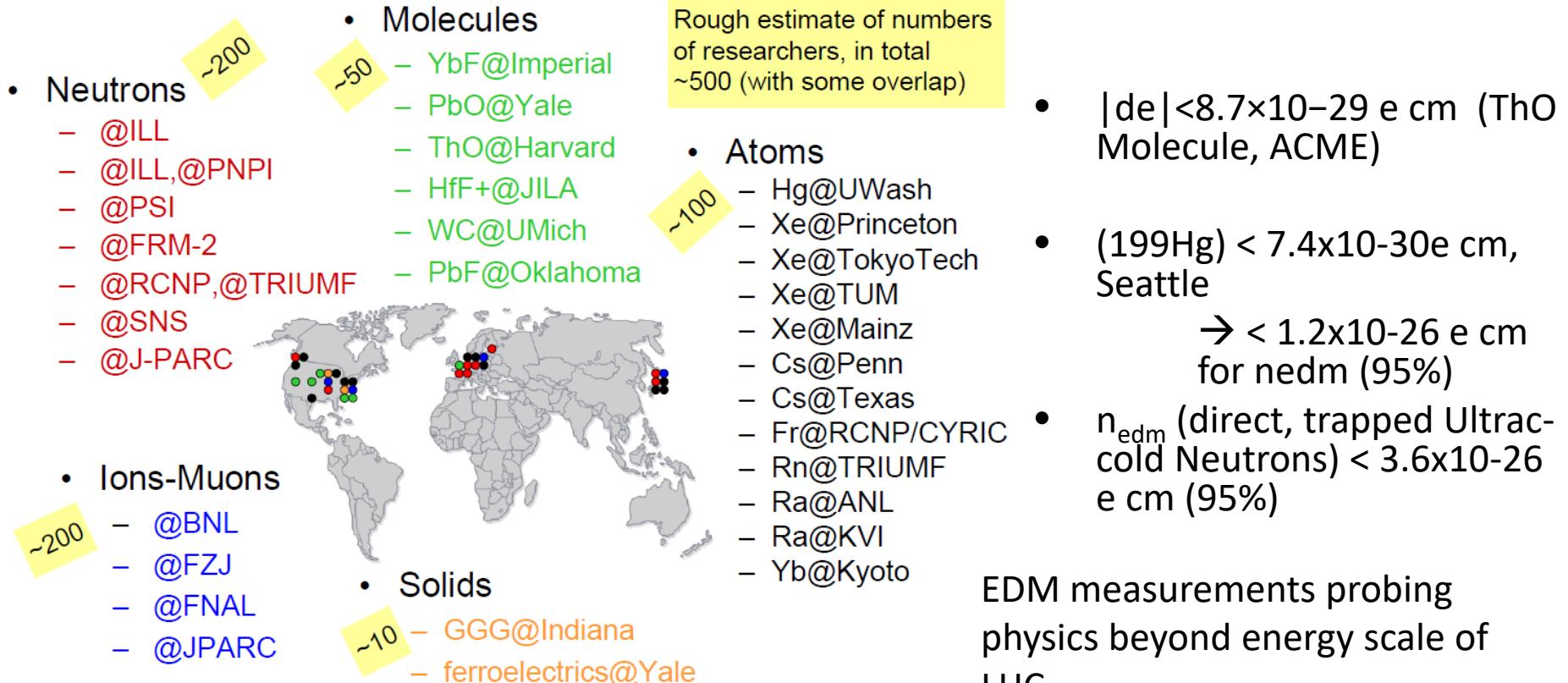


- Dark Matter: Axion Dark Matter Experiment (ADMX) uses  $\mu$ -wave cavity



# EDM experiments

Searching for extra CP Violation



Adapted from "EDM Searches", K. Kurch, PSI

ACME Collaboration: Science 1248213 (2013)

Mercury experiment: Phys. Rev. Lett. 116, 161601 (2016)

Neutron EDM: Phys. Rev. D 92, 092003 (2015)

# Tabletop fundamental physics

The  
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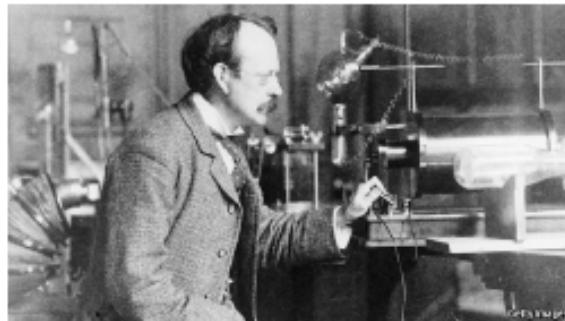
Fundamental physics

## Searching for particles on a benchtop

Making precise measurements of tiny forces

Jan 28th 2017

THE beams of protons that circulate around the 27km-circumference ring of the Large Hadron Collider (LHC), the world's biggest particle accelerator, carry as much kinetic energy as an American aircraft-carrier sailing at just under six knots. Andrew Geraci's equipment, on the other hand, comprises a glass bead 300 billionths of a metre across, held in a lattice of laser light inside an airless chamber. The power it consumes would run a few old-fashioned light bulbs. Like researchers at the LHC, Dr Geraci and his team at the University of Nevada, in Reno, hope to find things unexplained by established theories such as the Standard Model of particle physics and Newton's law of gravity. Whereas the LHC cost around SFr4.6bn (\$5bn) to build, however, Dr Geraci's set-up cost a mere \$300,000 and fits on a table about a metre wide and three long.



# Goal of these lectures

- Focus on small-scale (i.e. non-accelerator, non-large scale DM detectors) experiments
- Give particle physics students sense of experimental techniques available, newly developing techniques, what they may be useful for
- Generate new ideas for experiments in the future?!

# Syllabus

- Introduction
- New (scalar) forces
- Gravitational Waves and Ultralight Dark Matter
- New (spin-dependent) forces  
(relation to axions, EDMS, Cosmic DM experiments)

# Outline for Lectures

- Lecture 1 –  
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  - Background/Motivation
  - Gravitational experiments
  - Principles of Force sensing
  - New Techniques:
    - Optical levitation
    - Atomic-based sensors
    - Matter-wave interferometry

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    - New Techniques:
      - Levitated sensors
      - Atom interferometry
    - Ultralight scalar field dark matter

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  - New (spin-dependent) forces
  - Background
  - Torsion balance tests
  - Magnetometry
  - New techniques: (ARIADNE)
  - Relation to axions, EDM experiments,  
Cosmic DM experiments

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- Lecture 1 –  
New (scalar) Forces

## Background/Motivation

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Principles of Force sensing

New Techniques:

→ Optical levitation

→ Matter-wave interferometry

# The Standard Model

Provides an adequate description of the electromagnetic, weak, and strong interactions.

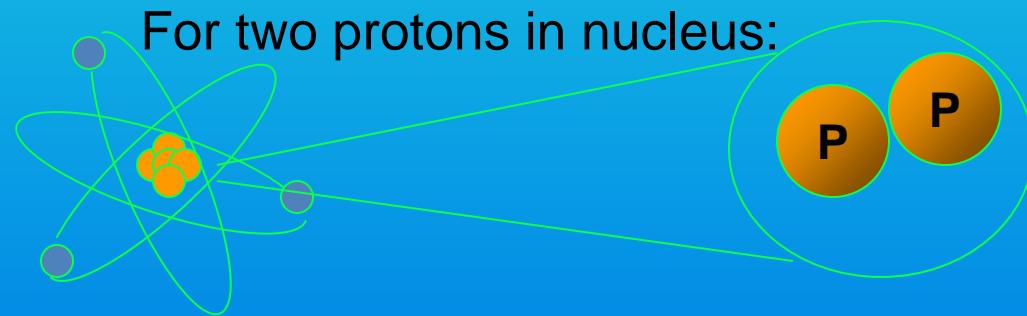
## The Interactions:

**Strong:** Holds nucleons together

**Electromagnetic:** Acts between charged particles

**Weak:** Causes certain decays

**Gravity:** Attraction between masses



Strong : Electromagnetic : Weak : Gravity = 20 : 1 :  $10^{-7}$  :  $10^{-36}$

The Hierarchy Problem: Why is Gravity so small?

# Solving the Hierarchy Problem

Quantum Gravity  $\sim 10^{19}$  GeV



Supersymmetry?

Searching for it now at LHC!

Electro-weak  $\sim 10^3$  GeV

Large Extra Dimensions (sub-mm)?

Gravity's mass (I.e. Planck) scale of  $\sim 10^{19}$  GeV

Is not a fundamental scale. Its magnitude comes from the size of the extra dimensions.

These effects may cause gravity to change below a characteristic scale  $\lambda < 1$  mm :

- Change its power law from  $1/r$
- Acquire a new exponential form

Can we measure this?

# 1) Light Moduli

Moduli: Massless scalar particles generic in string theory

- describe the shape and size of (small OR large) extra dimensions

Moduli must become massive to avoid conflict with experiment

Mass may come from Supersymmetry breaking

Gravity-Mediated  
(high scale  $10^{11}$  GeV)

↓  
Moduli at EW scale

Gauge Mediated  
(scale can be low  $\sim 30$  TeV)

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Moduli are light ( $\text{mm}^{-1}$ ) →

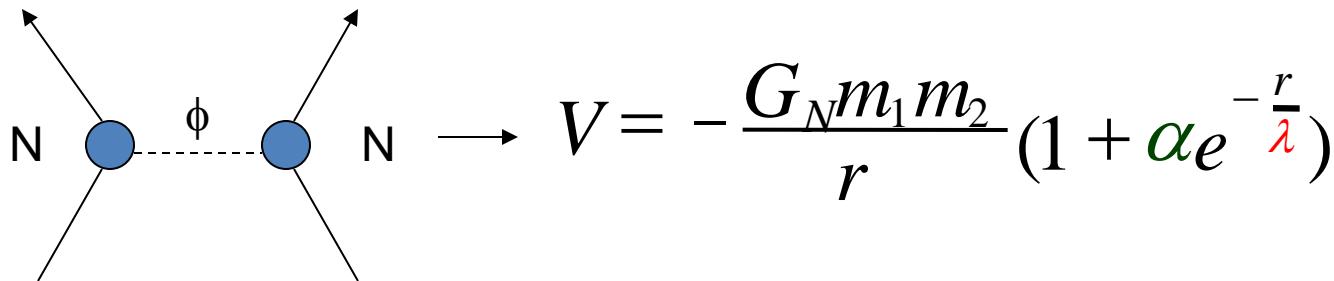
Observable signatures!

# Standard Model Couplings

May depend on moduli

- Yukawa couplings → masses of quarks, leptons  $\sim \lambda_{ij}(\phi) \bar{u}_i Q_j H_u$
- Gauge couplings → W,Z bosons, gluons  $\sim \lambda_g \frac{\phi}{M} G^a_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu a}$

e.g. 2 nucleons can exchange gluon modulus:



range  $\lambda(\text{mm}) \approx 0.8 \frac{(100 \text{ TeV})^2}{F} \left( \frac{M \lambda_g^{-1}}{5 \times 10^{17} \text{ GeV}} \right)$

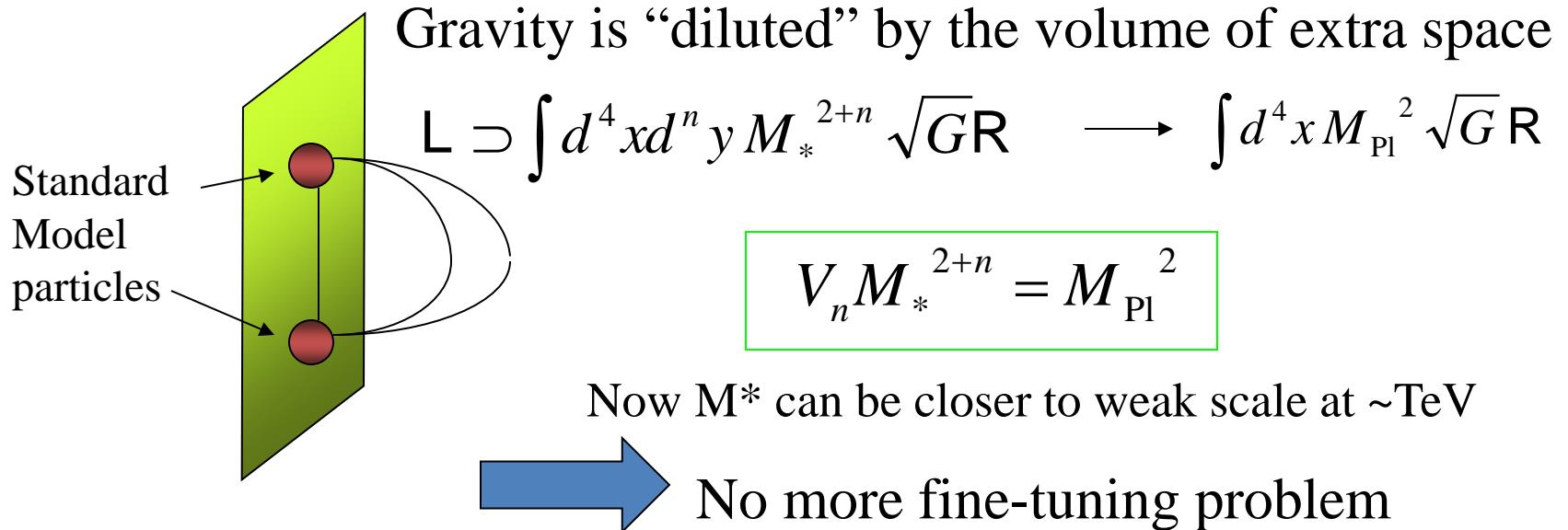
Strength relative  
to gravity

$$\alpha \propto \left( \frac{5 \times 10^{17} \text{ GeV}}{M} \right)^2 \lambda_g^2$$

## 2) Large Extra Dimensions

N. Arkani-Hamed, S. Dimopoulos, G.Dvali, Phys.Lett. B429 (1998)

Standard Model fields confined to a “brane”, except gravity



For  $V_n \sim L^n$ , taking  $n=2$ ,  $L$  can be **1mm** for  $M_* \sim$  TeV

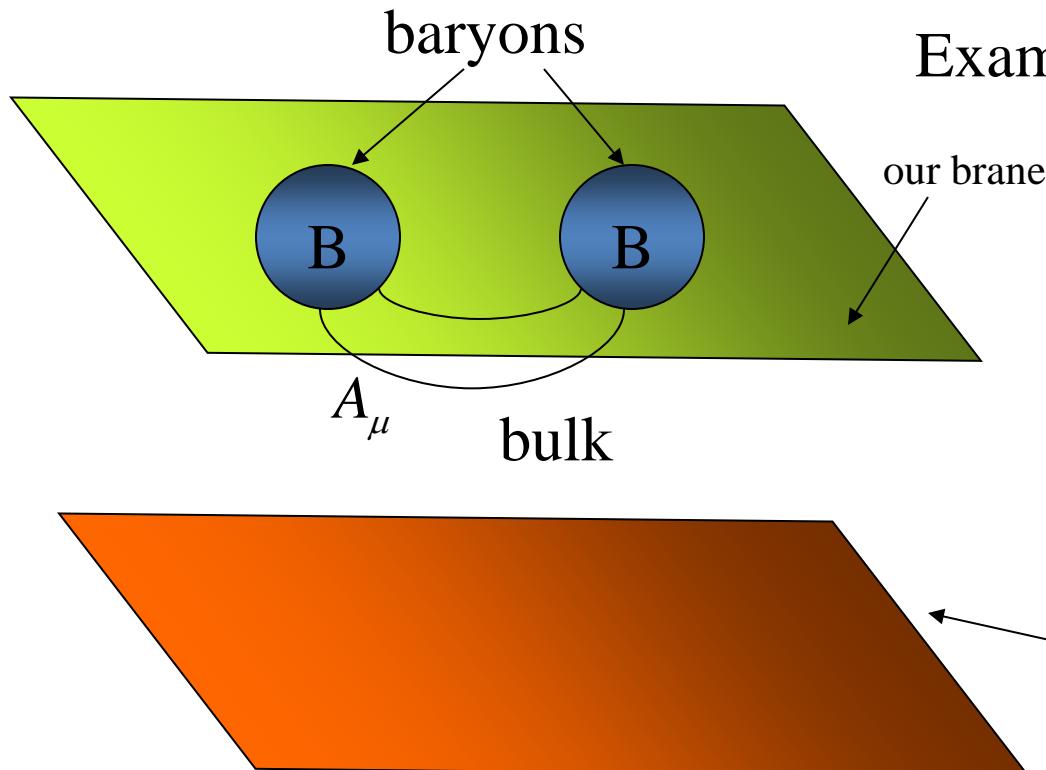
--Newton's law changed below radius of compactification

$$F(r) = \frac{G^{(4)} m_1 m_2}{r^2} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \frac{G^{(4+n)} m_1 m_2}{r^{2+n}}$$

# Gauge particles in the bulk

N. Arkani-Hamed, S. Dimopoulos, G. Dvali, Phys.Rev. **D59** (1999)

- 1) can mediate forces  $10^6 \times$  gravity
- 2) range of zero mode not limited by  
the radius of compact dimensions  
(so  $n > 2$  still accessible to tabletop)



Example – gauged baryon #

$$\frac{F_{\text{gauge}}}{F_{\text{gravity}}} = \frac{g_4^2}{G_N m_{\text{nucleon}}^2}$$
$$\approx \frac{M_*^2}{m_{\text{nucleon}}^2} \approx 10^6 - 10^8$$

$$m_{A_\mu} \approx g_4 M_* \approx (\text{mm}^{-1})$$

other brane --  
gauge symmetry broken spontaneously  
by some “Higgs” field with vev  $\sim M^*$

# Scalars in Bulk

“Yukawa Messengers”

N. Arkani-Hamed, S. Dimopoulos, PRD 65, 052003 (2002)

- Also can get sub-mm range from SUSY breaking
- Coupling much stronger than moduli, and independent fundamental scale  $M^*$

effective coupling to the zero mode       $\rho f f \chi_0$        $\rho = \frac{v}{M_{\text{Pl}}} \approx 10^{-16}$

but compare to gravity:

$$\frac{\rho^2}{G_N m_{\text{nucleon}}^2} \approx 10^6$$

- quite strong
- independent of “n”
- Independent of  $M^*$

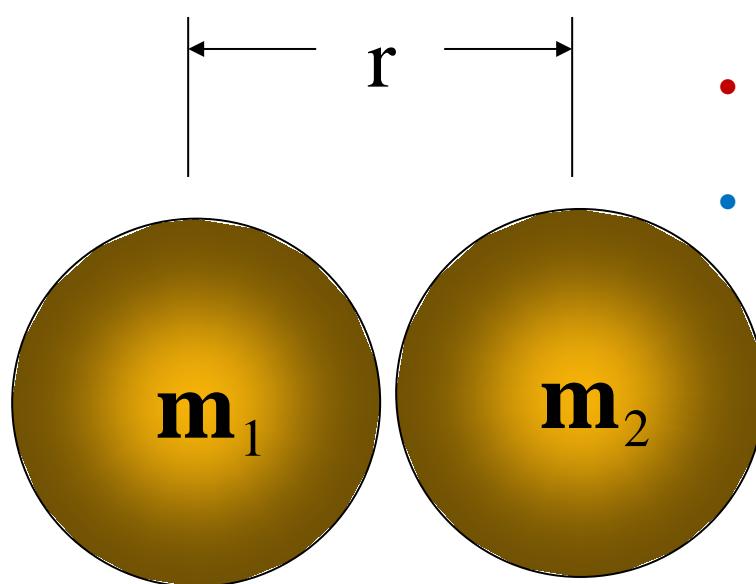
Both vectors and scalars in the bulk can also produce a Yukawa-potential:

$$V = -\frac{G_N m_1 m_2}{r} \left(1 + \alpha e^{-\frac{r}{\lambda}}\right) \quad \alpha > 0 \text{ attractive (scalar)} \\ \alpha < 0 \text{ repulsive (vector)}$$

# Testing gravity at short range

$$V_N = -G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r} \left( 1 + \alpha e^{-r/\lambda} \right)$$

Exotic particles (new physics)

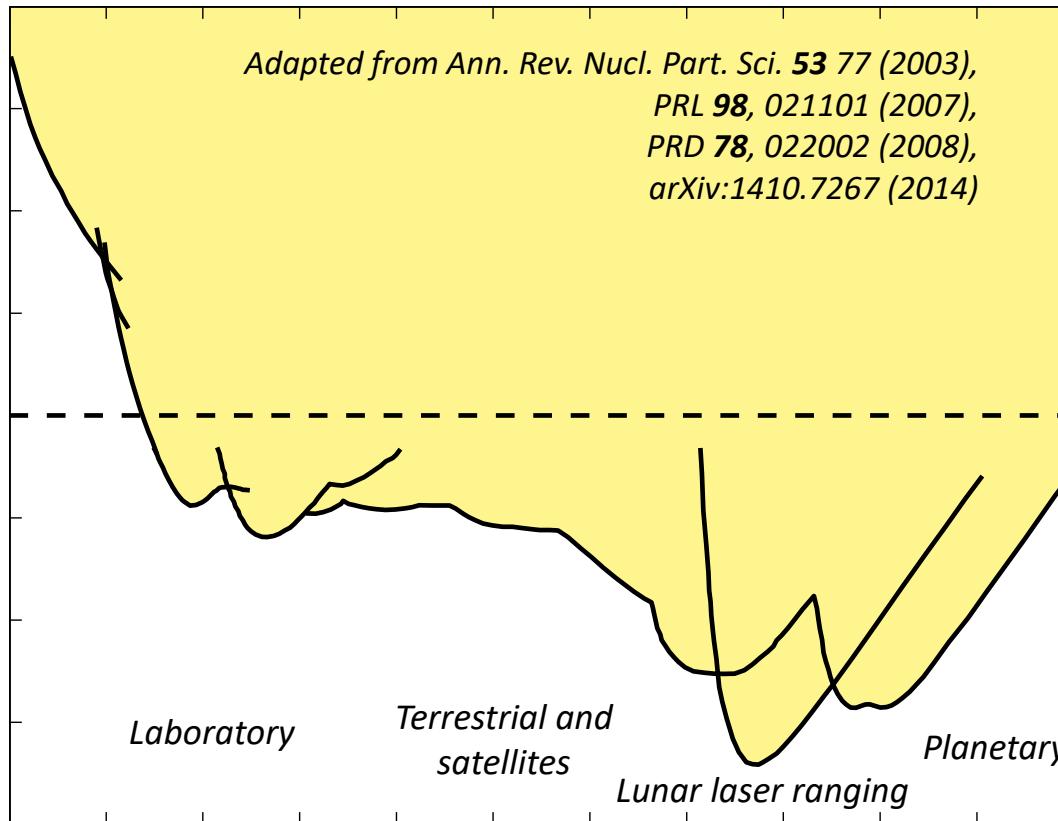


$\lambda < 1 \text{ mm}$

- Supersymmetry/string theory  
(moduli, radion, dilaton)
- Particles in large extra dimensions  
(Gravitons, scalars, vectors?)

# Landscape for ISL corrections

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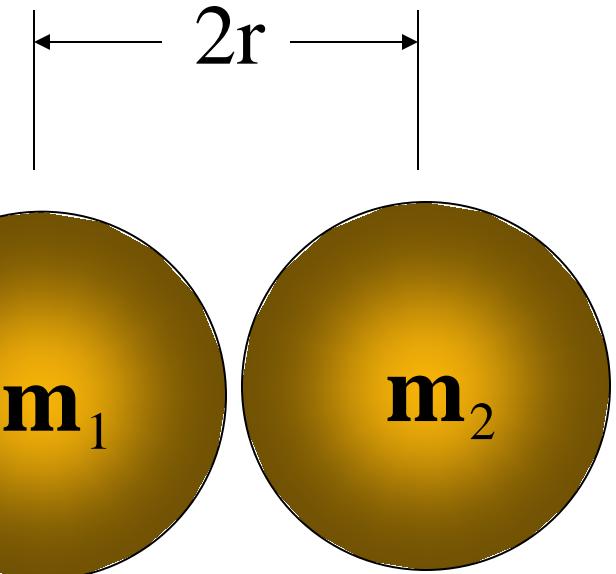


# Experimental challenge: scaling of gravitational force

$$V_N = -G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r}$$

$$F_N = G_N \frac{\rho^2 (4\pi r^3 / 3)^2}{4r^2} \sim G_N \rho^2 r^4$$

$$F_N \simeq 0.1 r^4 \quad \text{for} \quad \rho \sim 20 \text{gr/cm}^3$$



In the range of experimental interest:

$$r \sim 10 \mu\text{m} ; \quad F_N \sim 10^{-21} N$$

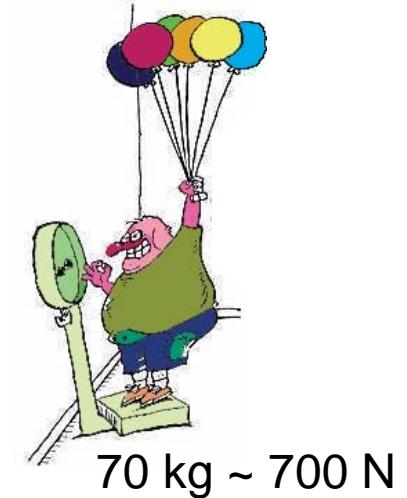
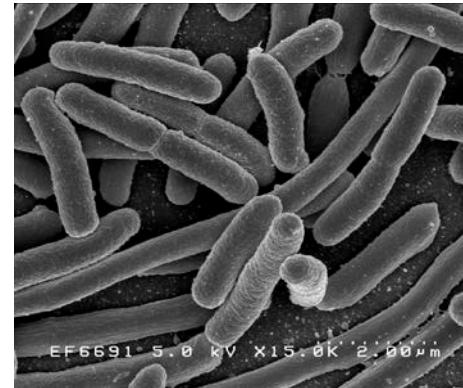
# Small forces

- Bathroom scales measure  $10^{-1} \text{ N}$

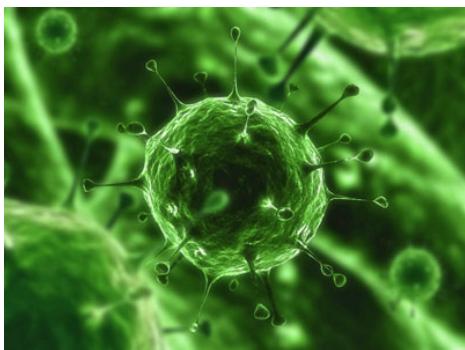
Dust mite  $10^{-7} \text{ N}$



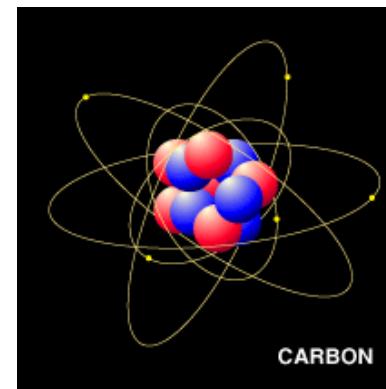
E. coli  $10^{-15} \text{ N}$



Virus  $10^{-19} \text{ N}$



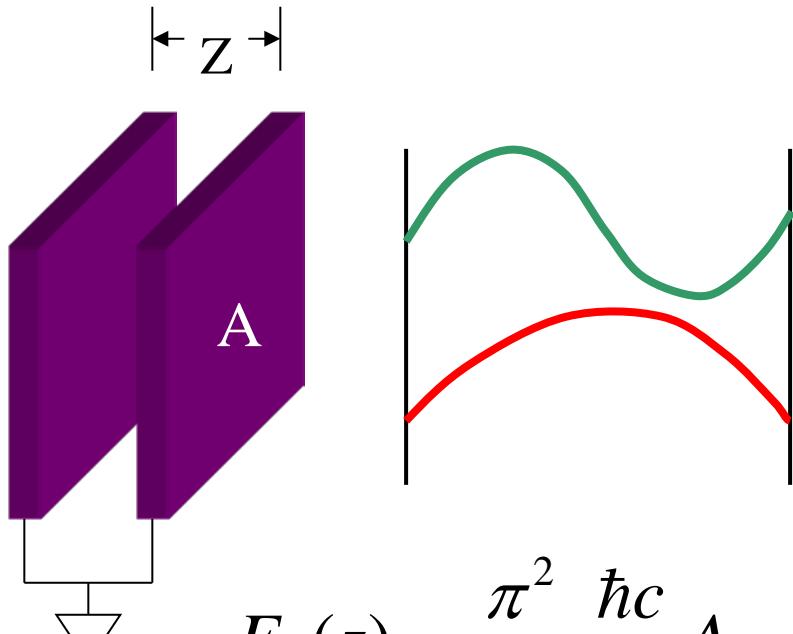
Carbon atom  $10^{-25} \text{ N}$



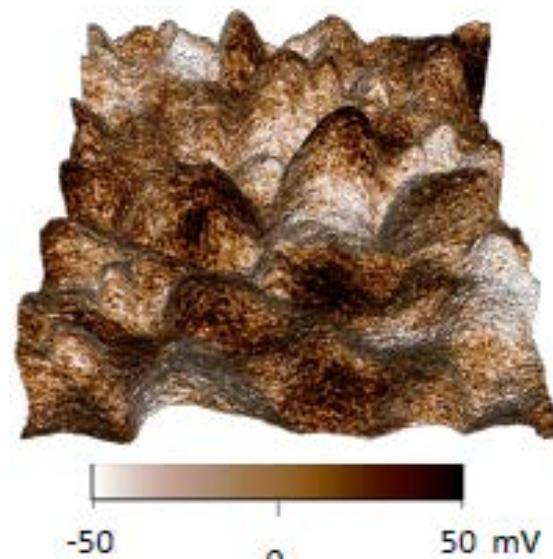
- AFM measures  $10^{-11} \text{ N}$

# Experimental challenge: Electromagnetic Background forces

Casimir effect (1948):

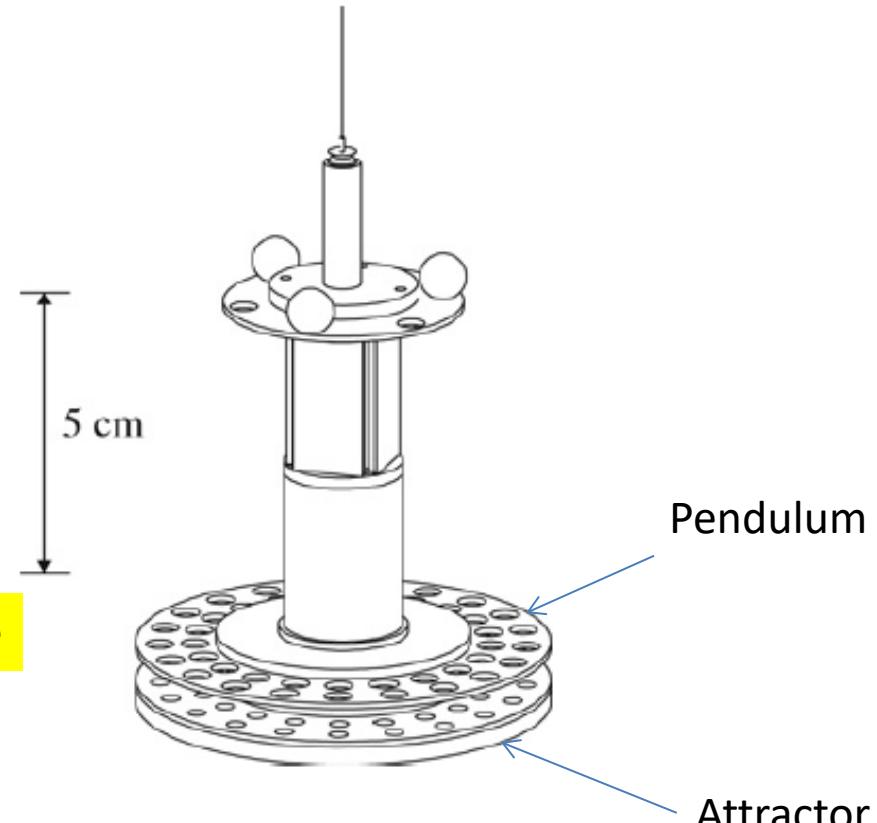
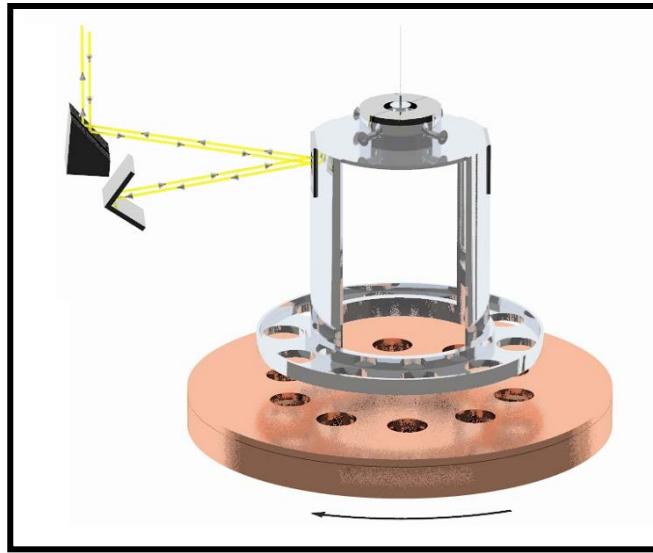


Electrostatic Patch Potentials:



J. L. Garrett, D. Somers, J. N. Munday  
J. Phys.: Condens. Matter 27 (2015) 214012

# UW Torsion Balance Experiments



Best yukawa constraints at  $\sim 10 \mu\text{m} - 5 \text{ mm}$  range

1x Gravity tested at  $\sim 50 \mu\text{m}$

Kapner et. al., PRL 98, 021101 (2007)

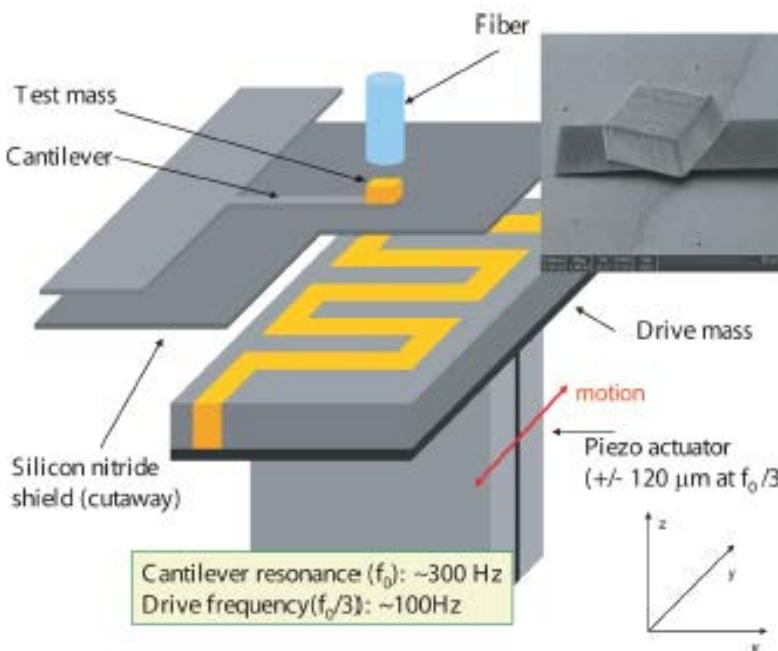
C.D. Hoyle et. al., PRL 86, 14118 (2001)

Review: E.G. Adelberger et. al. Progress in Particle and Nuclear Physics 62, 102 (2009)

Future: Cryogenic torsion balance experiments with improved sensitivity!

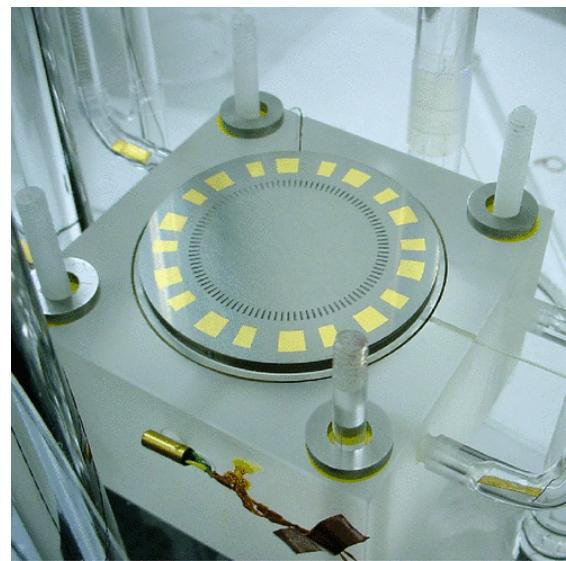
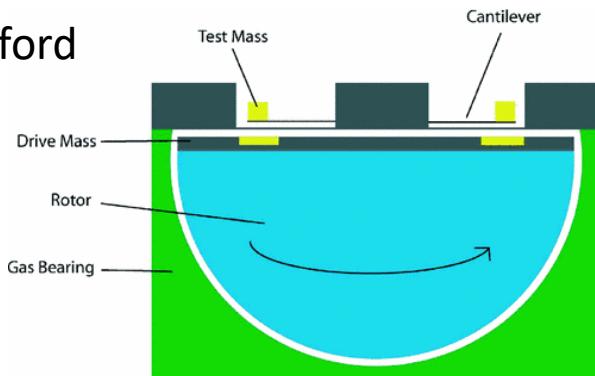
# Micro- and nano- resonators

Kapitulnik group, Stanford



A.A. Geraci, S.J. Smullin, D. M. Weld, J. Chiaverini, and A. Kapitulnik,  
*Phys. Rev. D* 78, 022002 (2008).

Best yukawa constraints at  $\sim 10 \text{ um}$  range:

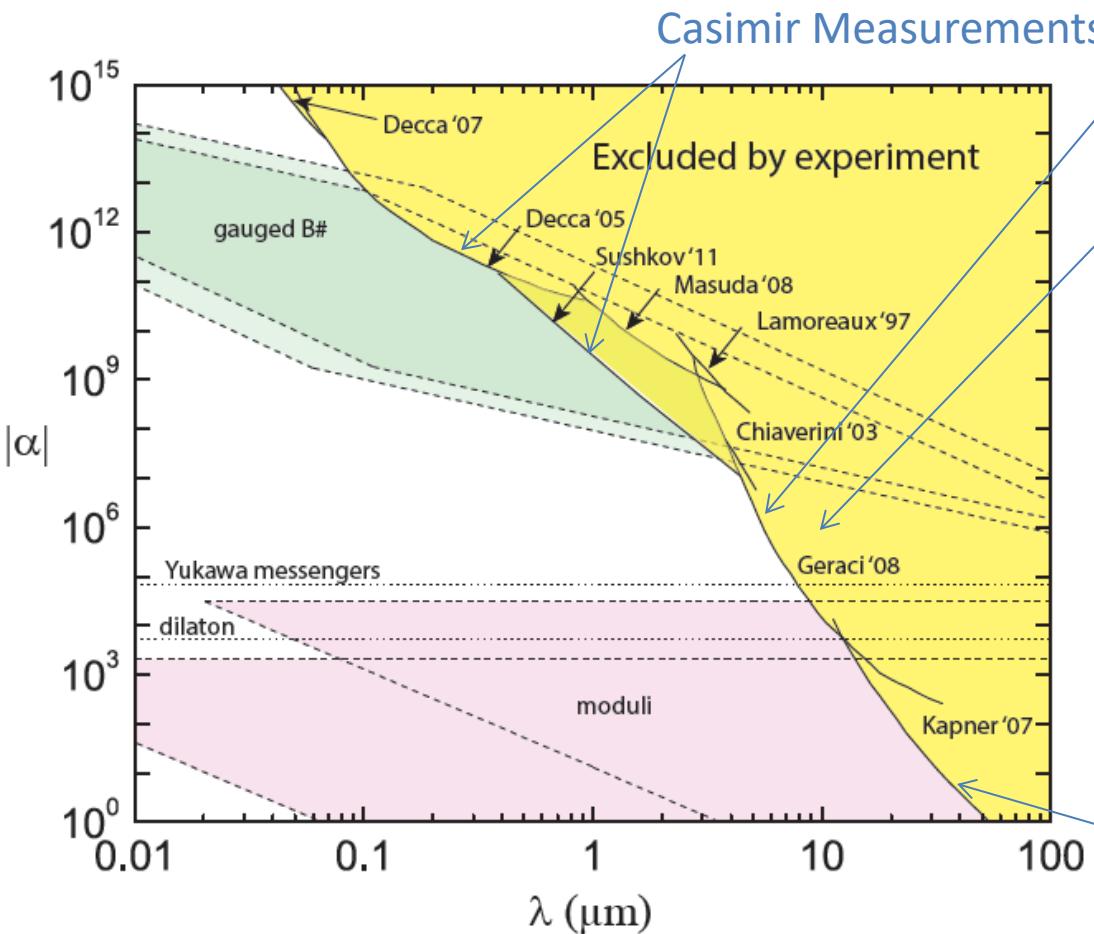


D. M. Weld, J. Xia, B. Cabrera, and A. Kapitulnik Phys. Rev. D 77, 062006 (2008)

Next generation apparatus  
 $\sim 10-100 \times$  sensitivity

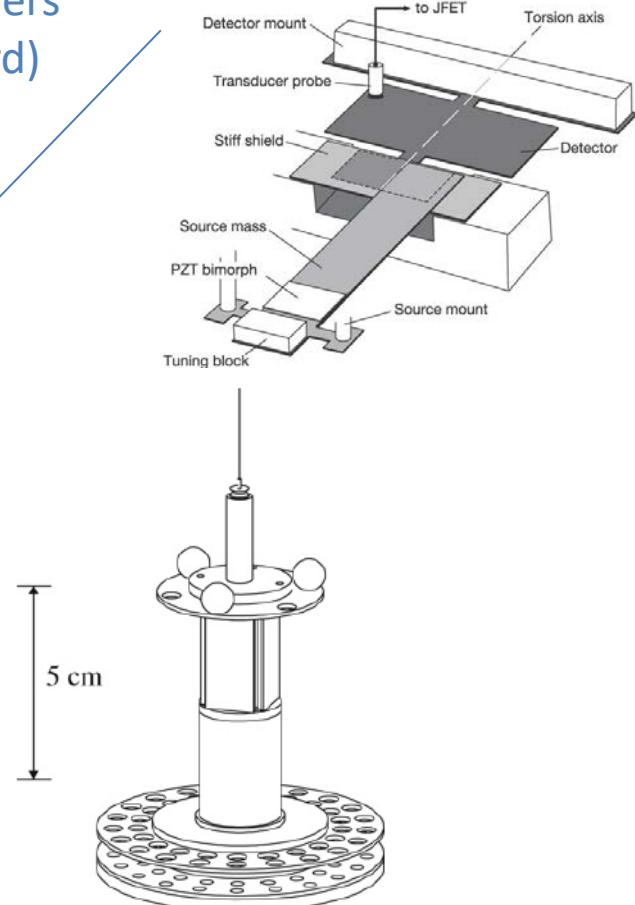
# Yukawa phase space

$$V_N = -G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r} \left( 1 + \alpha e^{-r/\lambda} \right)$$



Cantilevers  
(Stanford)

Torsion oscillators  
(Colorado,IU)



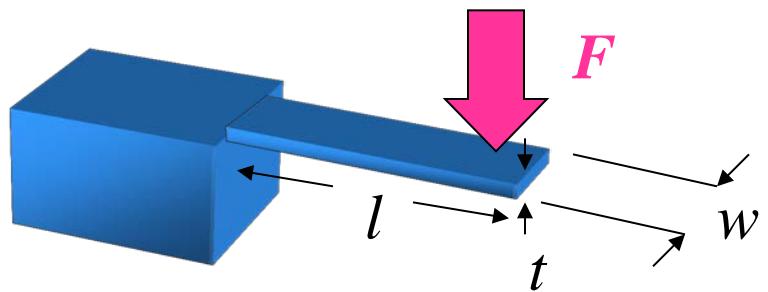
Torsion balance experiments  
(U Washington)

# Resonant force detection

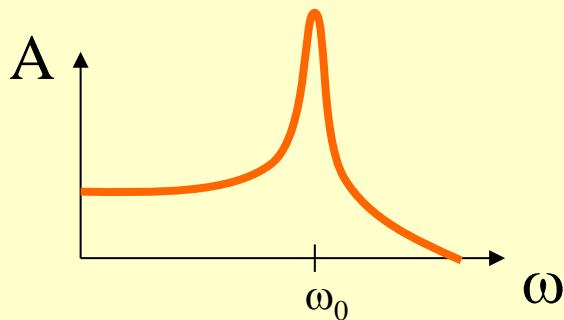
- Cantilever is like a spring:

$$F = -Kx$$

$$\omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{K}{m}}$$



Amplitude:

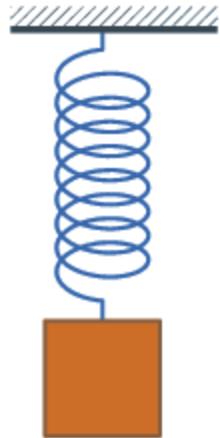


$$A_{(\omega=0)} = \frac{F}{k} \quad \text{Constant force}$$

$$A_{(\omega=\omega_0)} = \frac{F}{k} Q \quad \text{Driving force on resonance of cantilever } \omega_0$$

$Q$  can be very large  $>100,000$

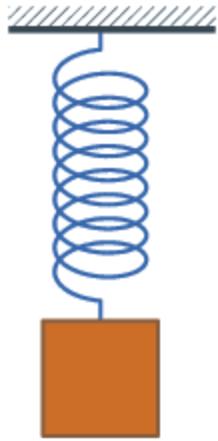
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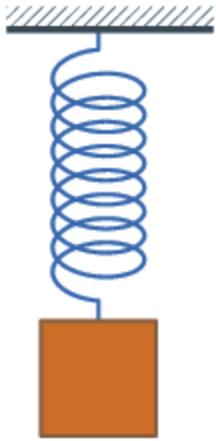
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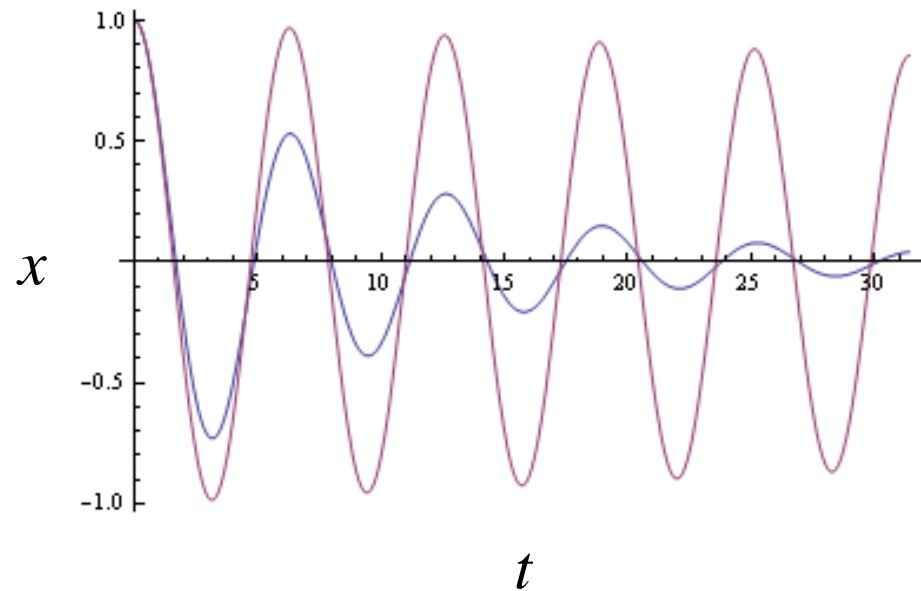
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$$m \ddot{x} = -kx - \gamma \dot{x}$$

$$Q \cong \frac{\sqrt{mk}}{\gamma}$$



Plays crucial role in force detection

# Cantilever response

$$\ddot{x} + \omega_0^2 x + \gamma \dot{x} = \frac{F(t)}{m}$$

For a harmonic driving force:  $F(t) = f_0 e^{-i\omega t}$

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Susceptibility:

$$\chi(\omega) = \frac{x(\omega)}{f(\omega)} = \frac{1}{m} \left( \frac{1}{-\omega^2 + \omega_0^2 - i\omega\gamma} \right)$$

$$\text{DC: } \omega \rightarrow 0, x = \frac{f_0}{k}$$

$$\lim_{\omega \rightarrow \infty} \chi(\omega) = -\frac{1}{m\omega^2}$$

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$$f_0 \cos(\omega t)$$

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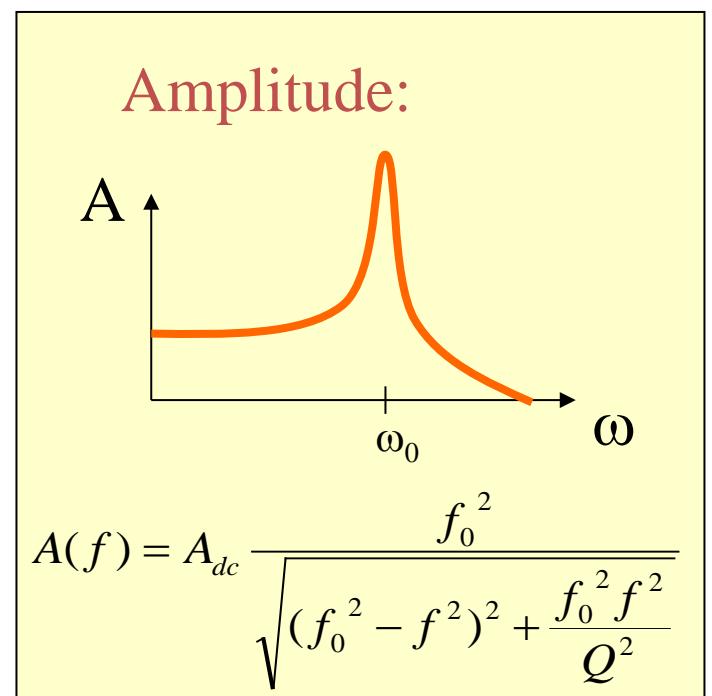
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# Dissipation

$$\frac{dW}{dt} = F(t)\dot{x}(t)$$

Steady-state dissipated power:

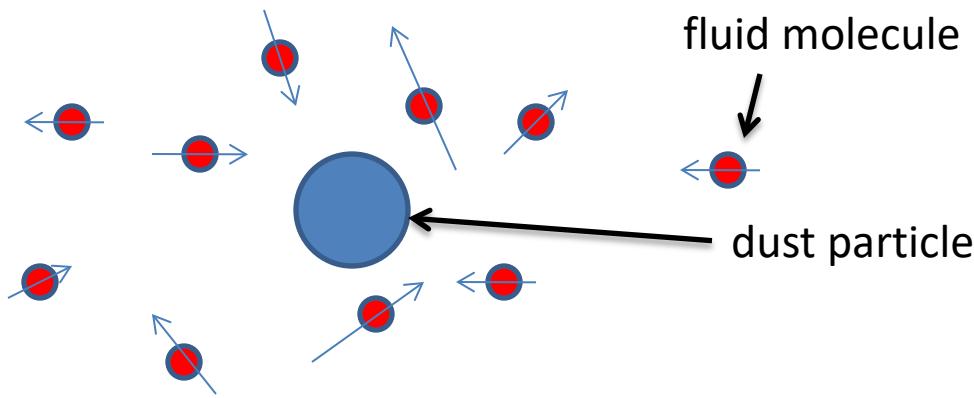
$$P = \frac{1}{2} \omega f_0^2 |\chi(\omega)| \sin \phi(\omega) = \frac{1}{2} f_0^2 \omega \text{Im}[\chi(\omega)]$$

$$\text{Im}[\chi(\omega)] = \frac{1}{m} \frac{\omega\gamma}{(\omega^2 - \omega_0^2)^2 + (\omega\gamma)^2}$$

On resonance:  $P = \frac{1}{2} f_0^2 \frac{1}{m\gamma}$

# Fundamental limitation: thermal noise

Brownian motion – random “kicks” given to particle due to thermal bath



- Random “kicks” are given to cantilever due to finite T of oscillator

$$\frac{1}{2}k\langle x^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2}k_B T$$



$$F_{\min} = \left( \frac{4kk_B Tb}{Q\omega_0} \right)^{1/2}$$

# Fundamental limitation: thermal noise

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$$S_X(\omega) = |\chi(\omega)|^2 S_F$$

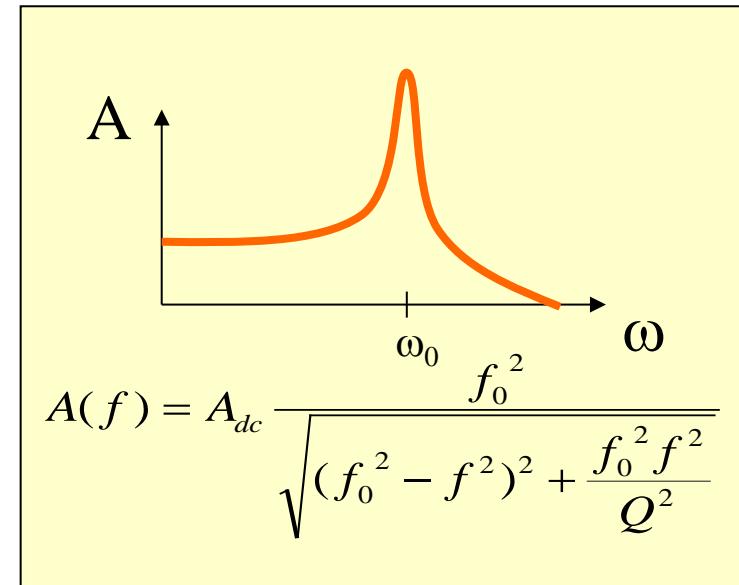
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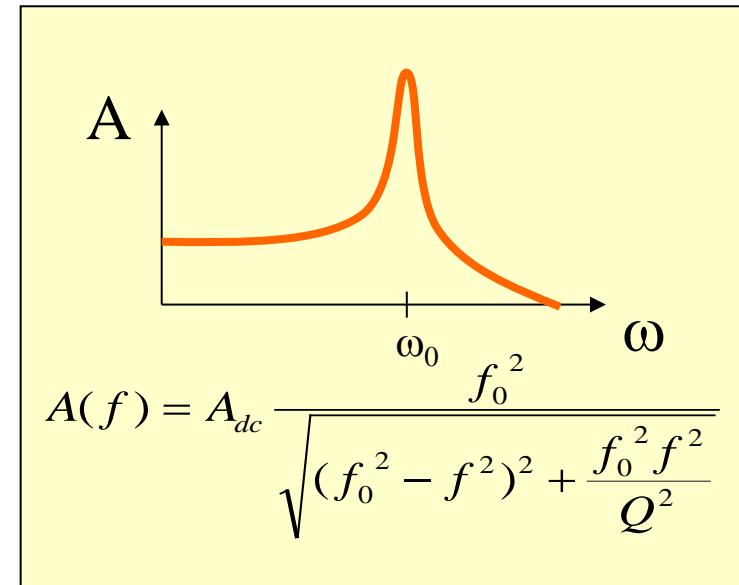
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# Fluctuation-Dissipation theorem

- In equilibrium, thermal fluctuations are related to dissipation:

$$S_F^{1/2} = \left( \frac{4k k_B T}{Q \omega_0} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$S_F = 4 k_B T m \Gamma$$
$$\Gamma = \omega_0 / Q$$

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# Fluctuation-Dissipation theorem

- In equilibrium, thermal fluctuations are related to dissipation:

$$S_F^{1/2} = \left( \frac{4k_B T}{Q\omega_0} \right)^{1/2}$$

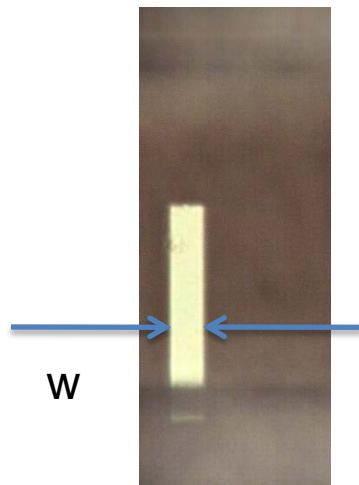
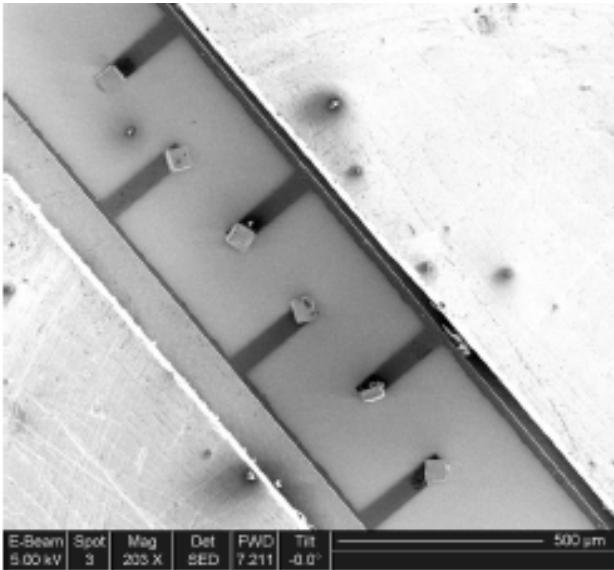
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FDT:  $S_X = 2k_B T \frac{\text{Im}[\chi(\omega)]}{\omega}$        $\text{Im}[\chi(\omega)] = \frac{1}{m} \frac{\omega\gamma}{(\omega^2 - \omega_0^2)^2 + (\omega\gamma)^2}$

$$S_X(\omega) = |\chi(\omega)|^2 S_F$$

# Fundamental limitation: thermal noise



w = 50  $\mu\text{m}$   
l = 250  $\mu\text{m}$   
t = 0.3  $\mu\text{m}$

$$F_{\min} = \left( \frac{4k k_B T b}{Q \omega_0} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$F_{\min} = (k_B T B)^{1/2} (E \rho)^{1/4} \left( \frac{w t^2}{l Q} \right)^{1/2}$$

*Silicon Cantilevers:*

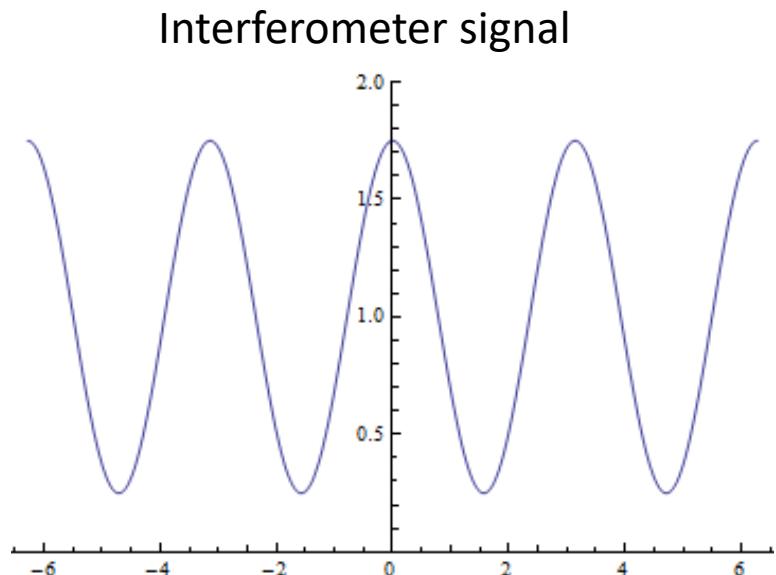
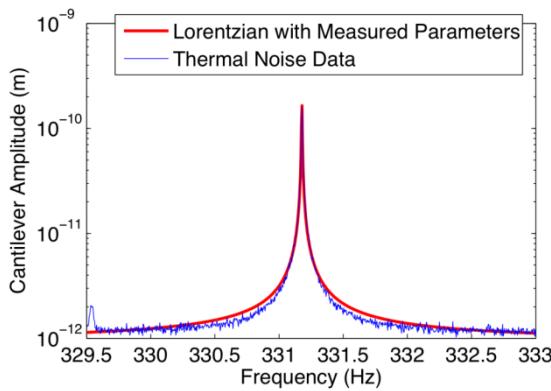
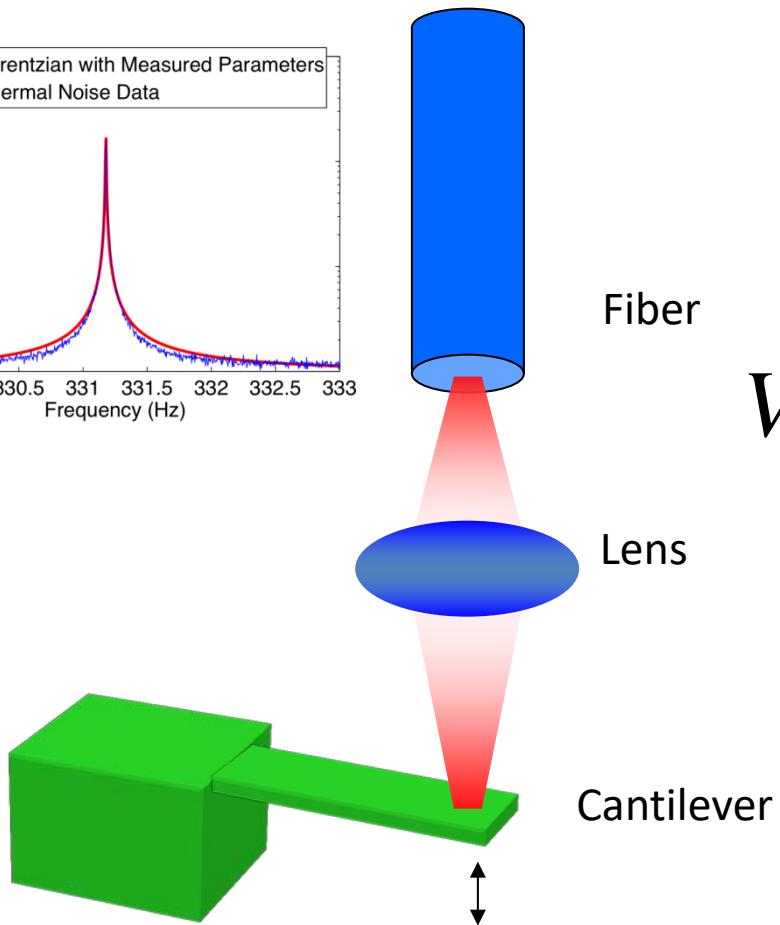
$F_{\min} \sim 10 \times 10^{-18} \text{ N}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$  at 4 K at  $Q=10^5$

To improve sensitivity:

- Make cantilever small
- Lower temperature
- Raise the quality factor

# Displacement detection

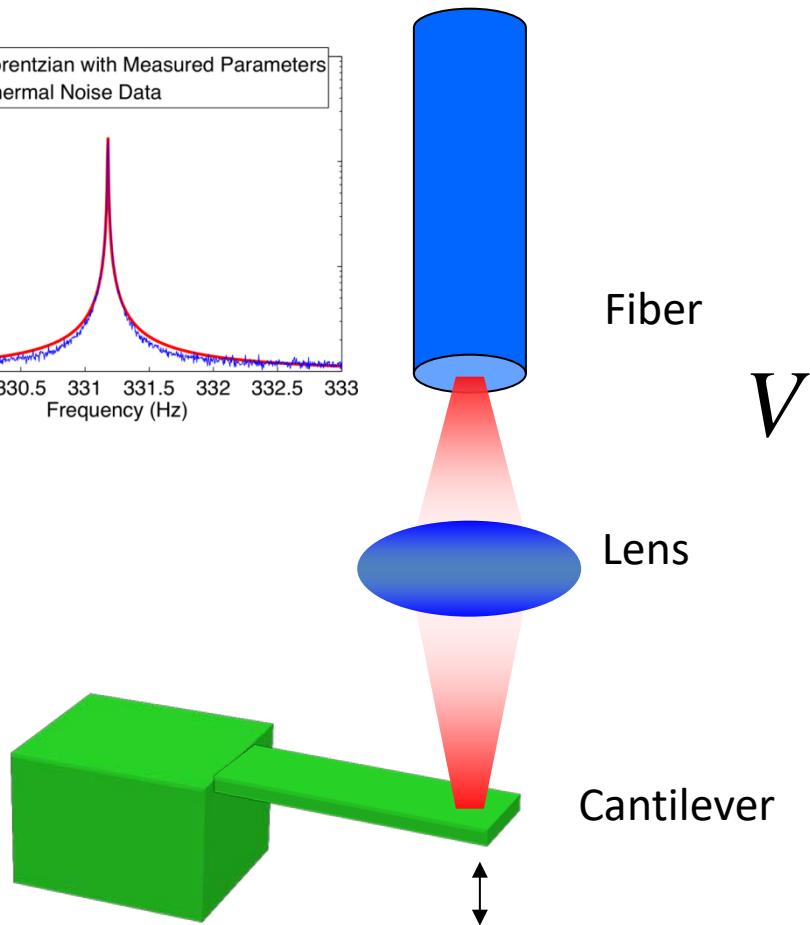
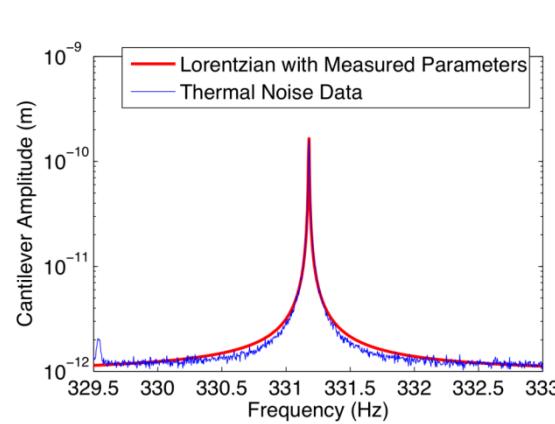
Cantilever is only moving few angstroms



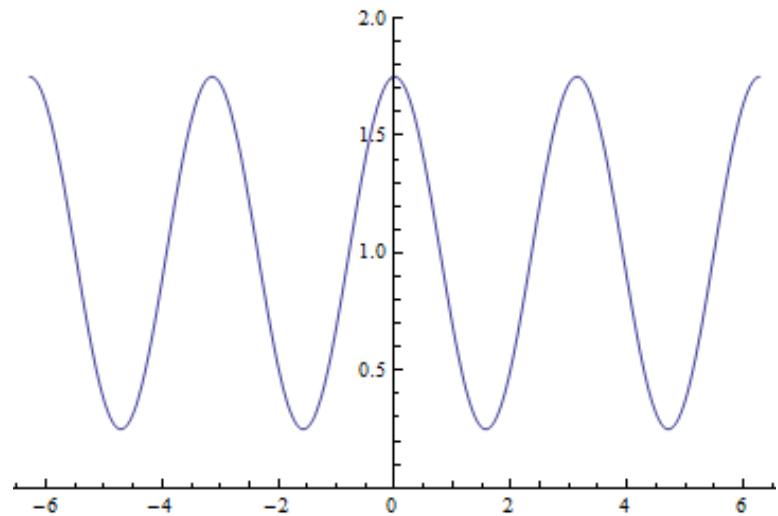
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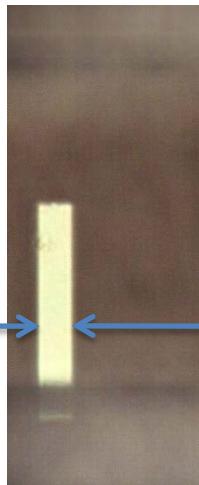
Interferometer signal



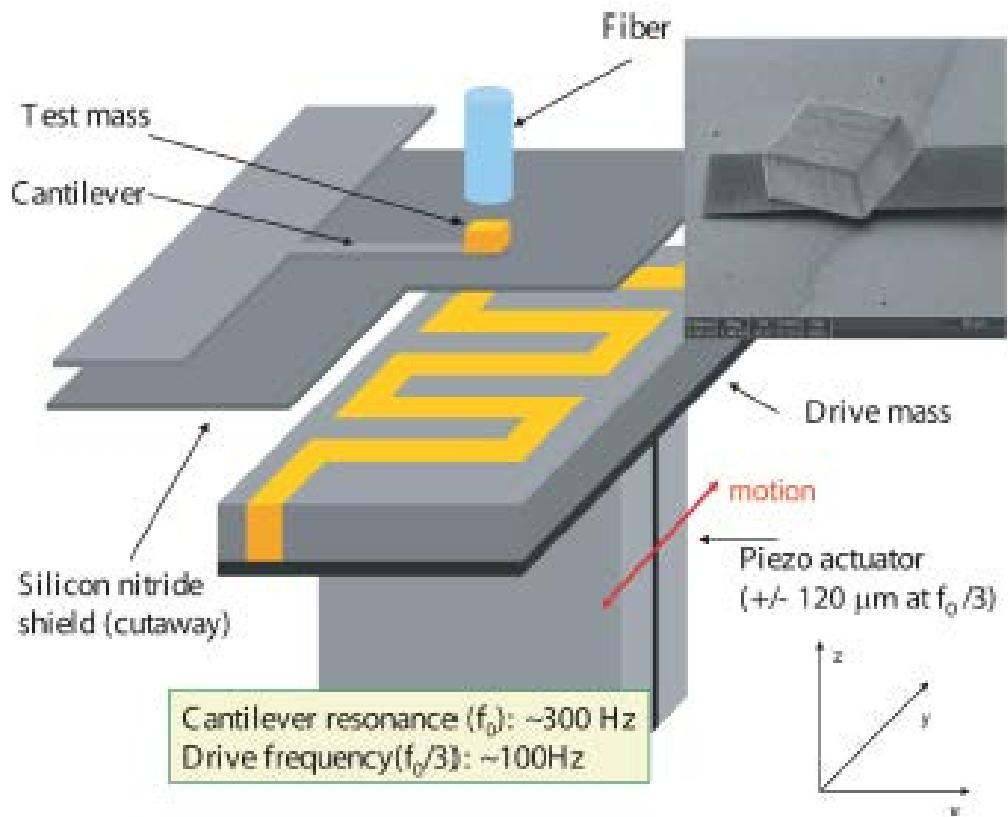
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Other methods: capacitance, QPD, high finesse optical cavity

# Stanford cantilever experiment



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 $t = 0.3 \mu\text{m}$



## Silicon Cantilevers:

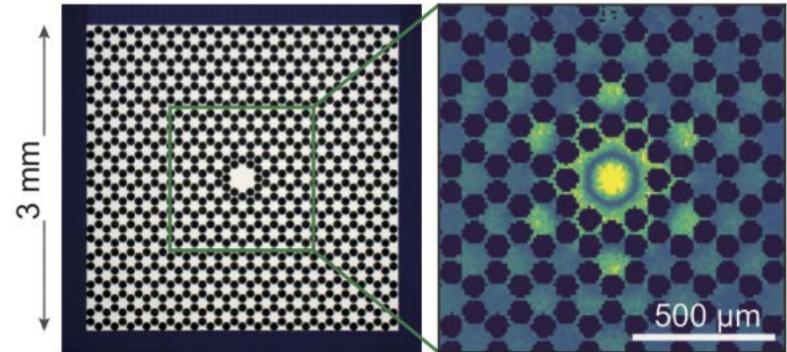
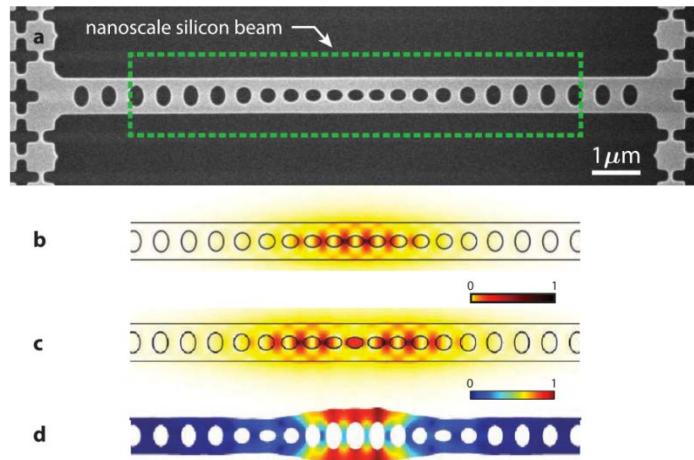
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Best Yukawa constraints at  $\sim 10 \mu\text{m}$  range:

A.A. Geraci, S.J. Smullin, D. M. Weld, J. Chiaverini, and A. Kapitulnik,  
*Phys. Rev. D* 78, 022002 (2008).

# Advances in cryogenic nano-oscillators

Significantly improved sensitivities (higher frequencies)



Schliesser group, Copenhagen

Painter group, Caltech

Si:

freq=5 GHz

$Q_m=5 \times 10^{10}$

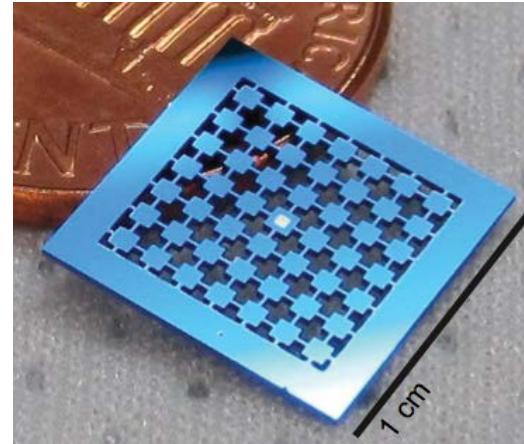
mass =136 fg

T=60 mK

Also nanotubes:

J. Moser, J. Guttinger, A. Eichler, M. J. Esplandiu, D. E. Liu, M. I. Dykman, and A. Bachtold, Nat. Nanotechnol. **8**, 493 (2013).

$$\sim 10 \text{ zN}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$$



Regal group, JILA

SiN:

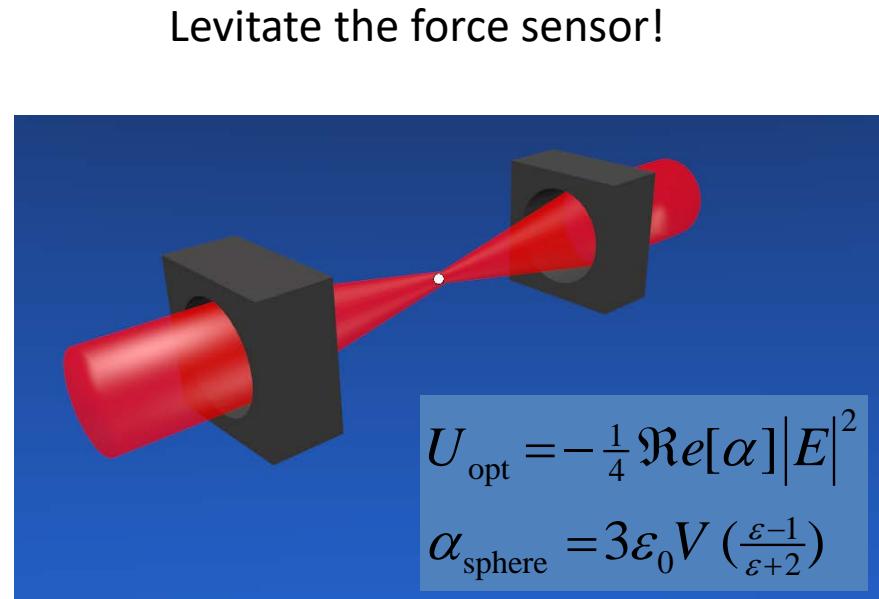
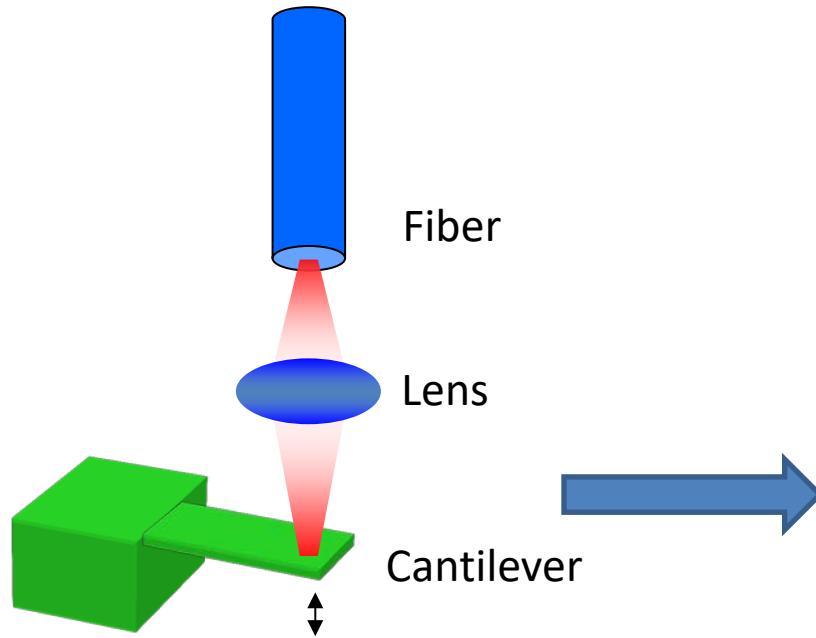
freq=1.5 MHz

$Q_m=2 \times 10^8$

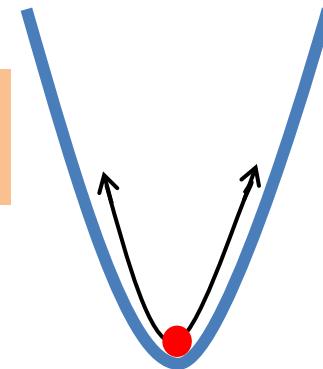
mass=10 ng

T=30 mK

# Improving the sensitivity

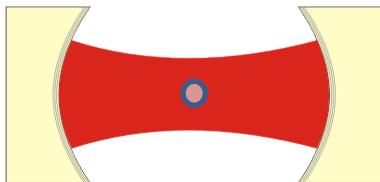


Limitations on Q: Clamping, surface imperfections, internal materials losses



CM motion decoupled from environment – no clamping, materials losses

# Optically-levitated sensors



Decoupled from environment – no clamping, materials losses!

Pressure-limited damping

$$\frac{dp}{dt} = -\gamma_g \frac{p}{2} \quad \frac{\gamma_g}{2} = \left( \frac{8}{\pi} \right) \frac{P}{\bar{v} r \rho}$$

P=10<sup>-10</sup> Torr, r=0.2 μm, ω/2π=100 kHz, Q=10<sup>12</sup> !

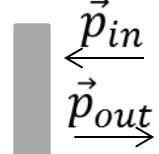
$$F_{\min} = \left( \frac{4 k k_B T b}{Q \omega_0} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Q &\sim 10^{12} \\ T &\sim 300 \\ \omega_0/2\pi &\sim 10^5 \\ m &\sim 10^{-(14-17)} \text{ kg} \end{aligned} \rightarrow F \sim 10^{-21} \text{ N/Hz}^{1/2}$$

# Optical Trapping

Optical forces on objects due to radiation pressure

Light incident on a totally reflecting mirror:



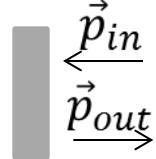
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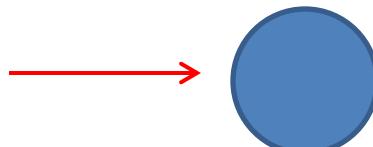
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Scattering Force

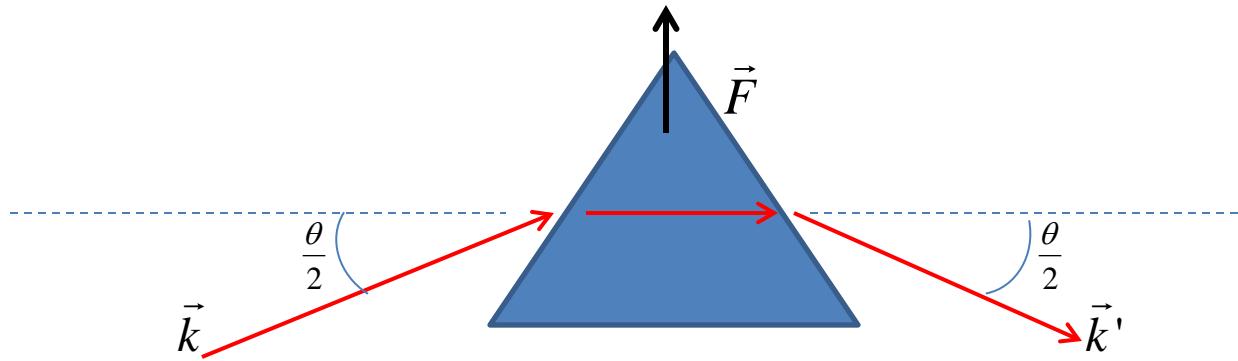
Imparted by traveling wave

$$F_{scat} = \hbar k R_{scat}$$

Dielectric sphere



# Optical Trapping



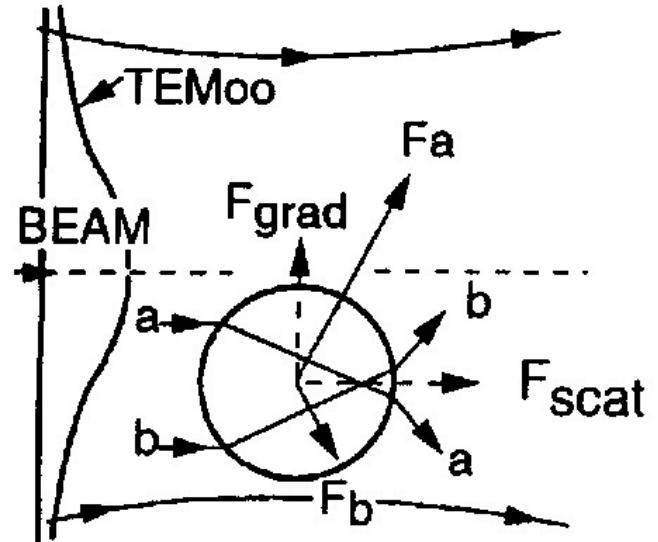
$$F = \frac{IA}{c} 2 \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

- Force arising from refraction of light

# Optical Trapping

## Ray Optics Approximation ( $R \gg \lambda$ )

- When photons strike bead, they are refracted and momentum changes
  - Forces
    - Scattering force occurs along the axial direction
      - Axial component of  $F_a + F_b$
    - Gradient force is along direction of increasing intensity



# Rayleigh Approximation (R<<λ)

- Glass bead treated as induced dipole
- Scattering force
  - Electric field oscillates in time
  - Sphere acts as oscillating electric dipole
  - Radiates secondary (scattering) waves in all directions
  - Changes magnitude and direction of energy flux of electromagnetic field
  - Field due to momentum changes in electromagnetic field due to scattering by dipole

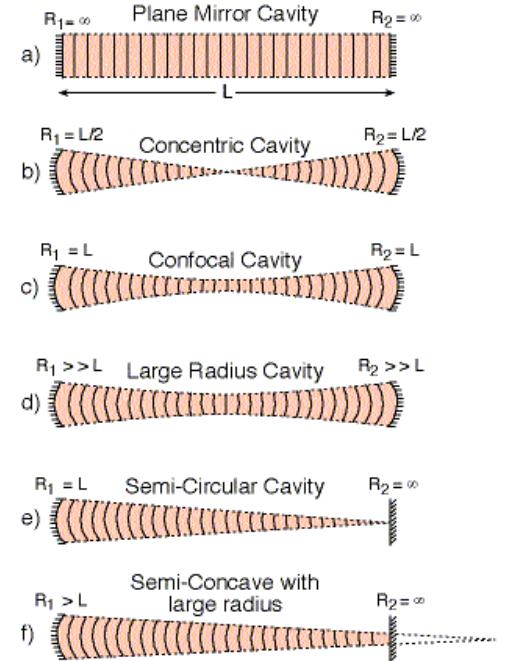
$$F_{Scat}(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{n}{c} \right) C_{scat} I(\vec{r}) \hat{z} = \frac{128\pi^5 R^6}{3c\lambda_0^4} \left( \frac{m^2 - 1}{m^2 + 2} \right)^2 n_{md}^5 I(\vec{r}) \hat{z}$$

- Gradient Force

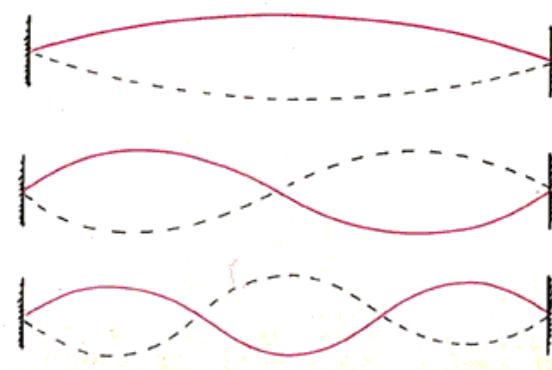
$$\vec{F}_{grad}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{\nabla}[\vec{p}(\vec{r}, t) \bullet \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t)] = \frac{2\pi n_{md} R^3}{c} \left( \frac{m^2 - 1}{m^2 + 2} \right)^2 \vec{\nabla} I(\vec{r})$$

# Optical Cavity

- An arrangement of mirrors that forms a standing wave of light waves.
- Cavity Resonance Condition
  - Length between mirrors must be an integer multiple of one half the laser wavelength.
  - $L = m \left(\frac{\lambda}{2}\right)$
  - Standing wave

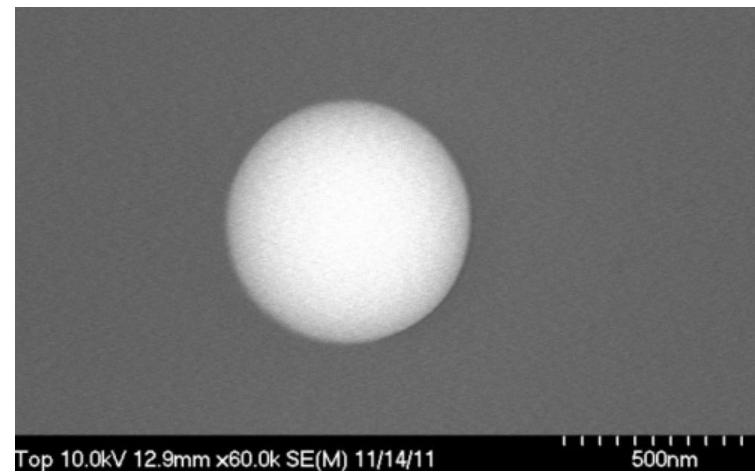
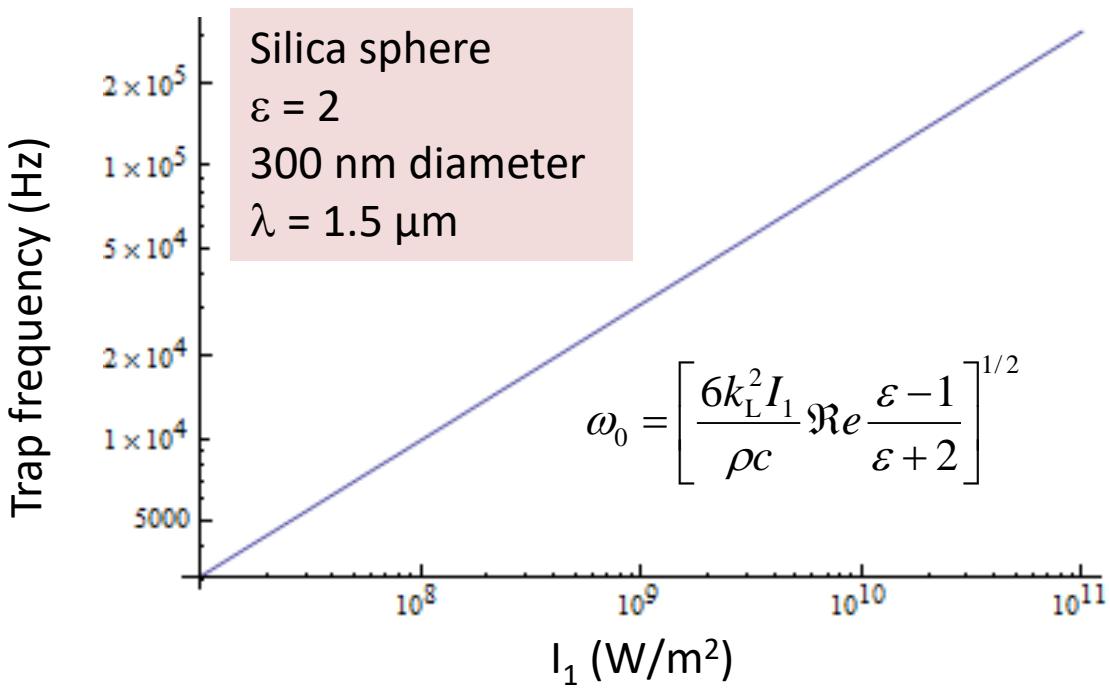
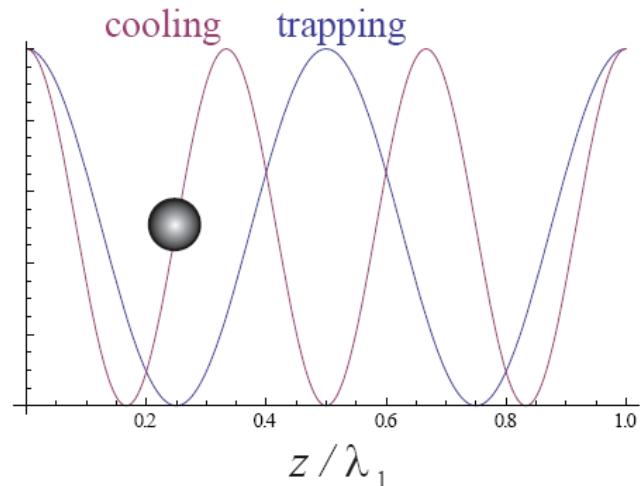
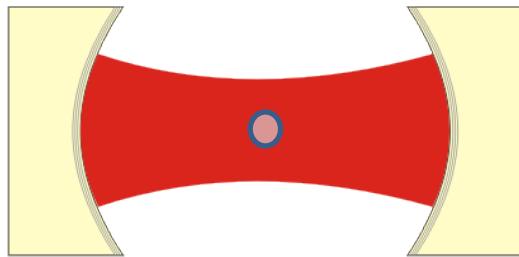


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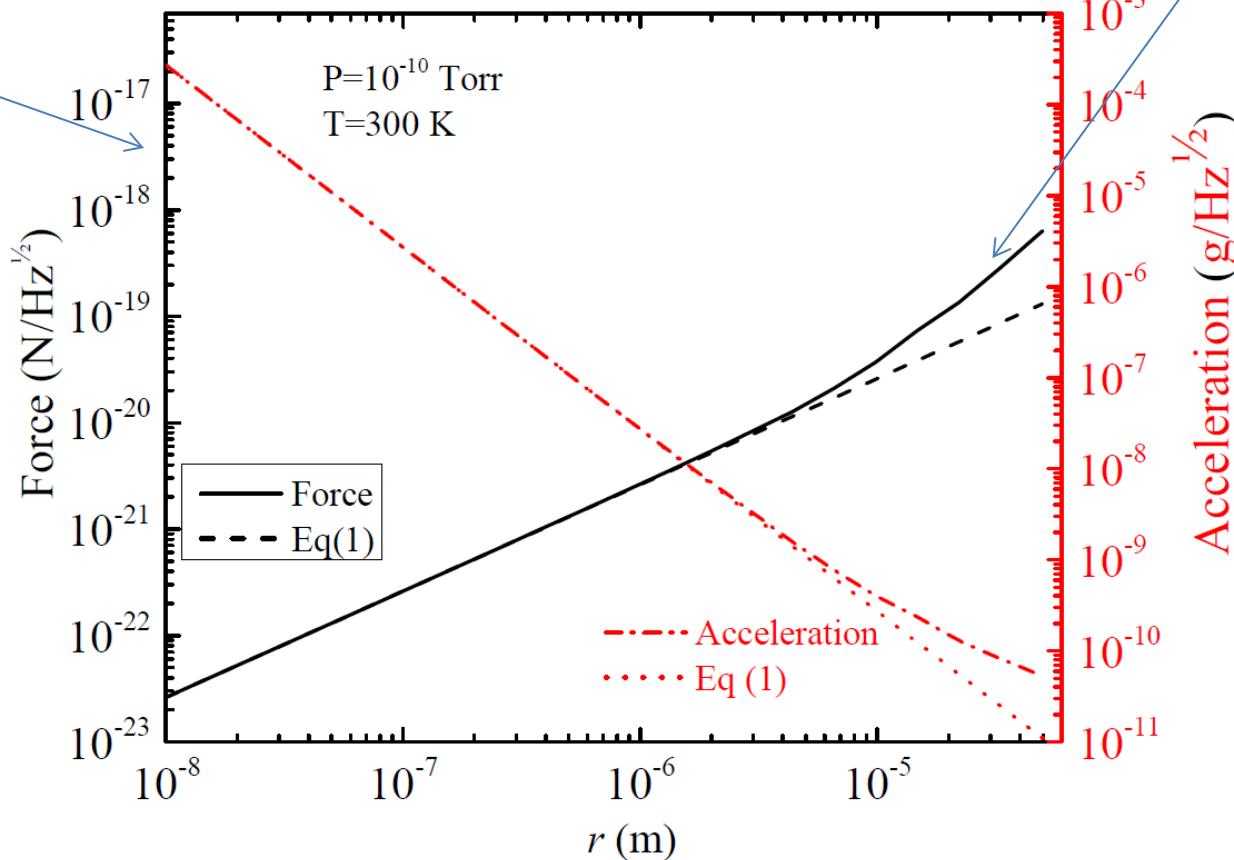
# Standing-wave trap



# Projected sensitivity

$$F_{\min} = (4k_B T \gamma m)^{1/2} \quad (1)$$

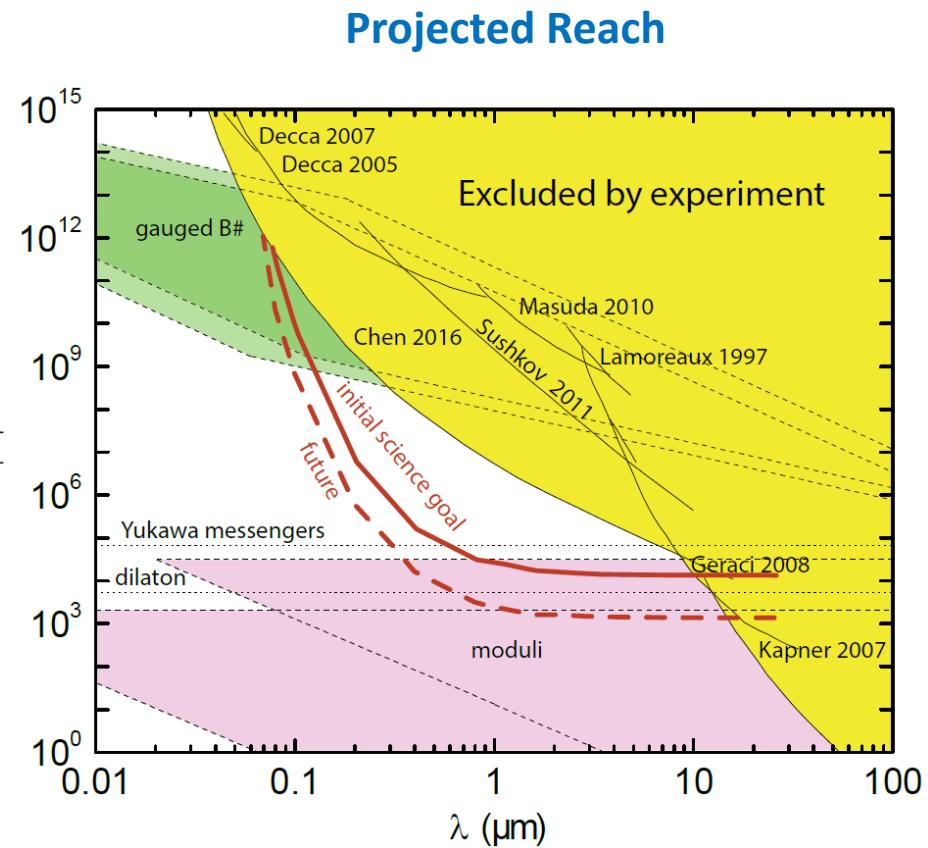
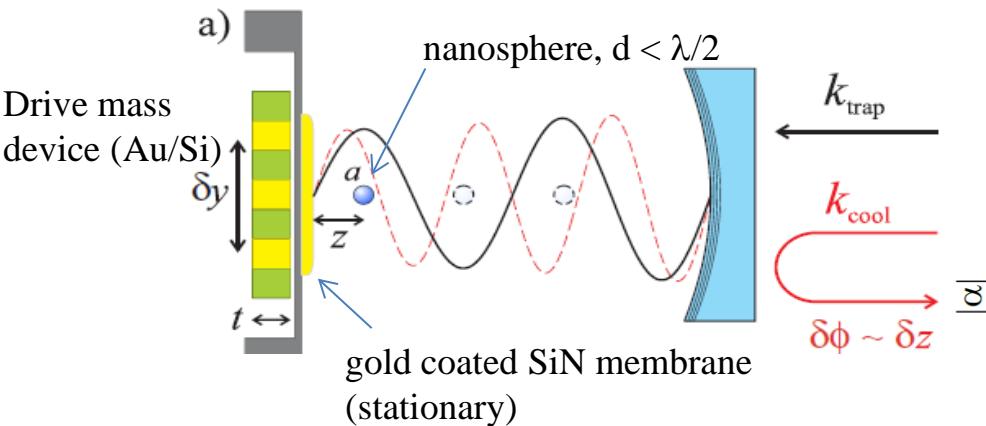
Cantilevers



20 zN/Hz<sup>1/2</sup> Gieseler, Novotny, Quidant (Nature Phys. 2013)

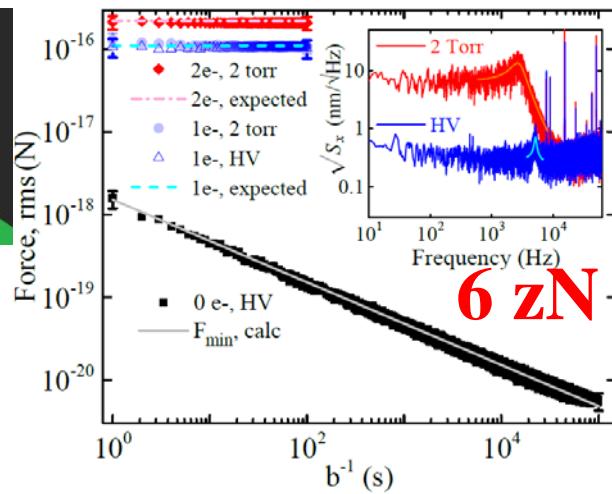
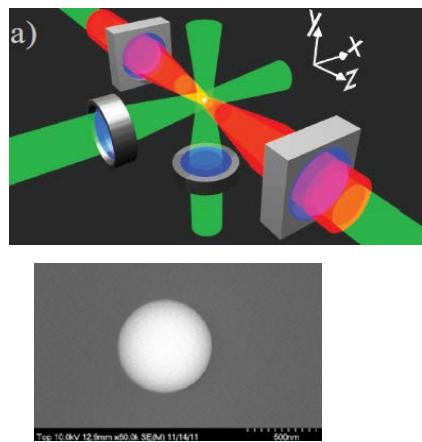
Photon recoil heating  
Seen recently by  
Novotny group  
V. Jain et. al.,  
PRL 116, 243601  
(2016)

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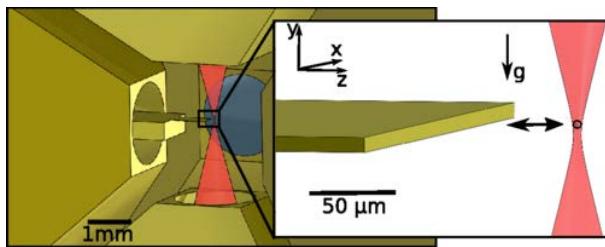
# Optically-levitated micro-particles

## High Q Mechanical Resonance: Optically levitated microspheres



G. Ranjit et.al., *Phys. Rev. A* **91**, 051805(R) (2015).

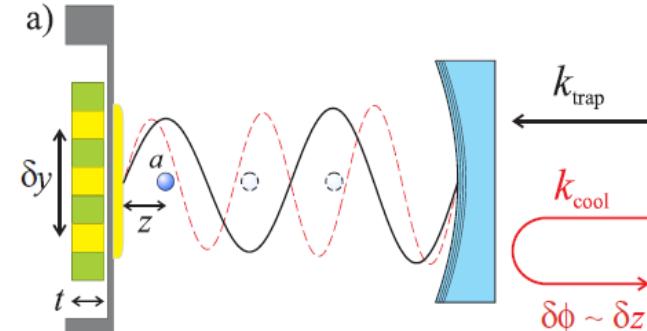
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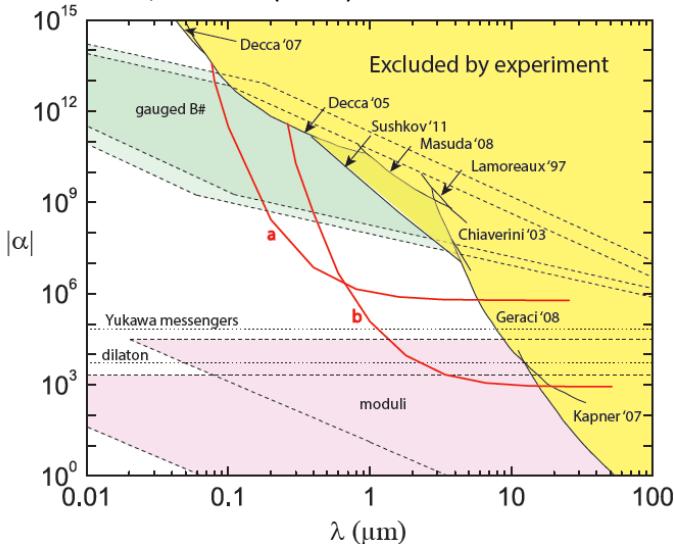
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## New Physics

### Gravity at micron scales



AG., S. Papp, and J. Kitching, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **105**, 101101 (2010).

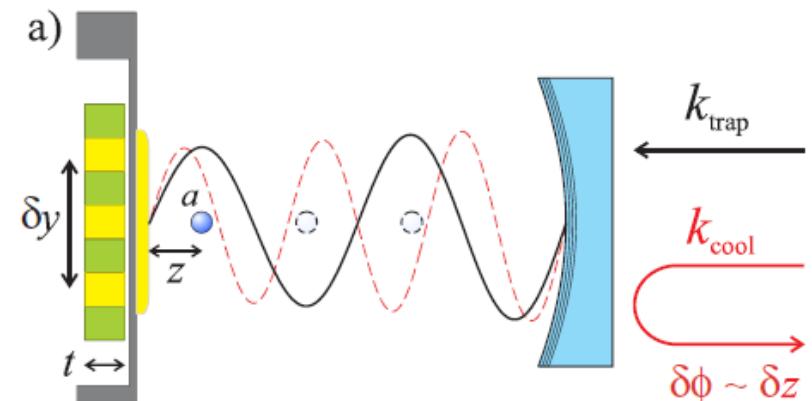
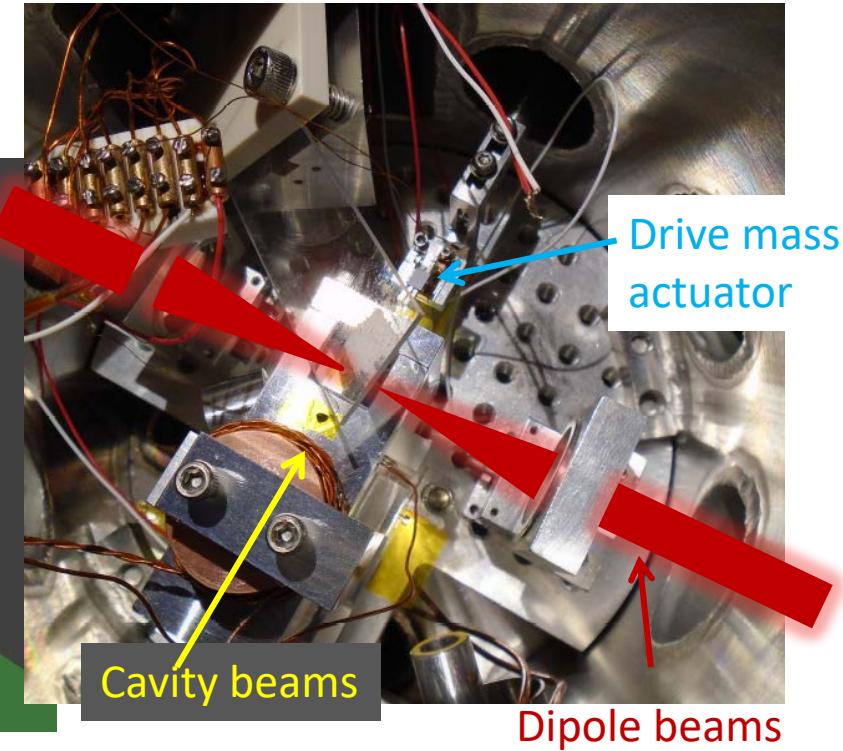
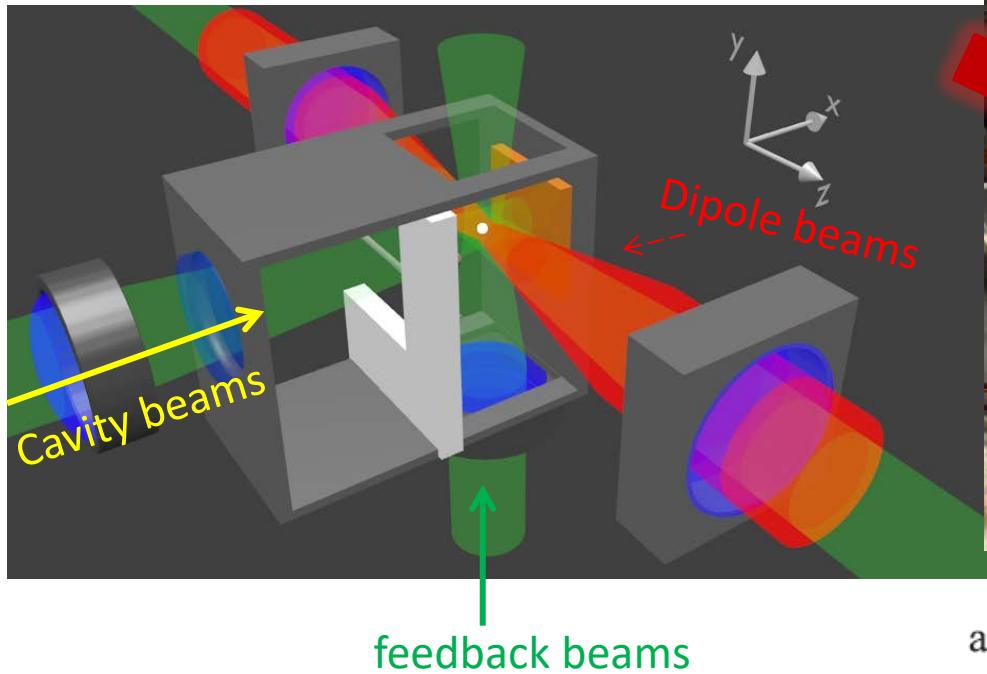


### Gravitational Waves

A. Arvanitaki and AG., *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **110**, 071105 (2013).

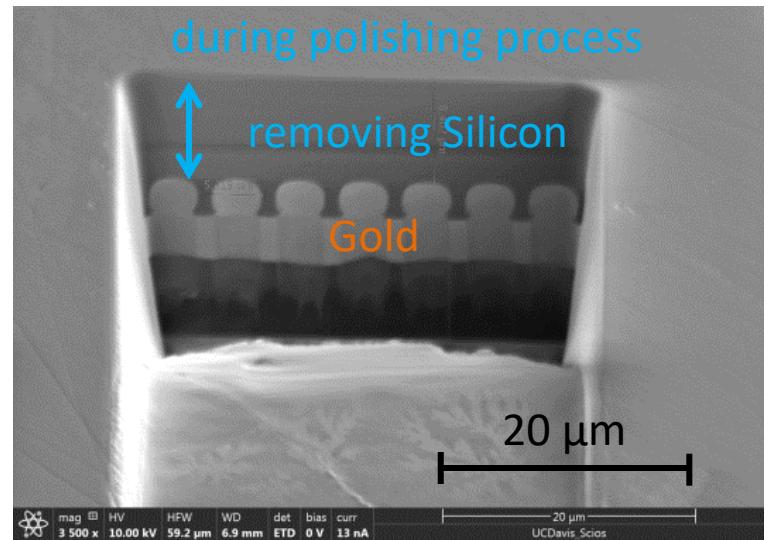
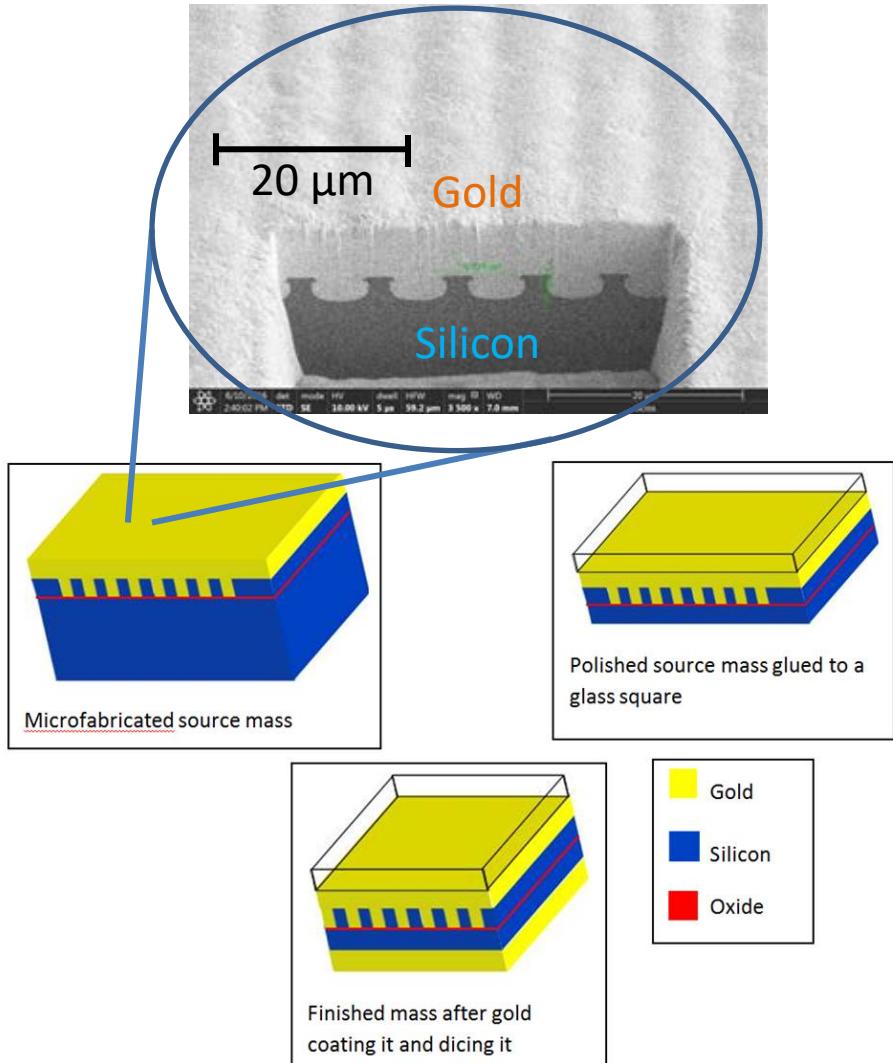
# Experimental Setup

Combined cavity/dipole trap



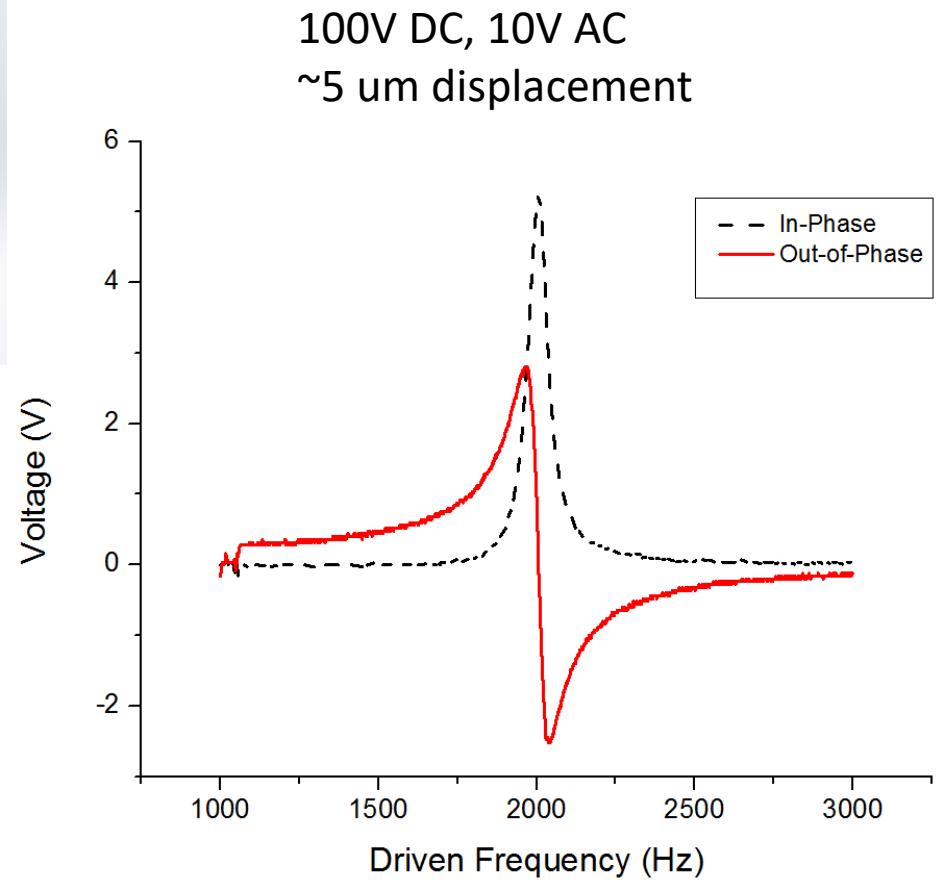
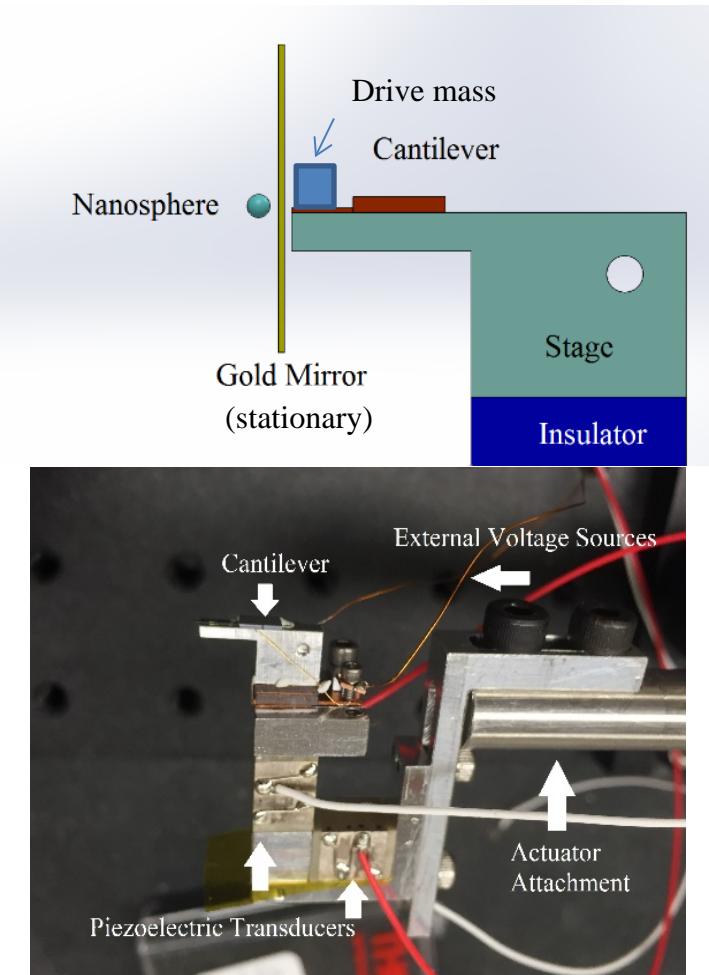
# Drive Mass fabrication

Buried drive mass technique – eliminates corrugation

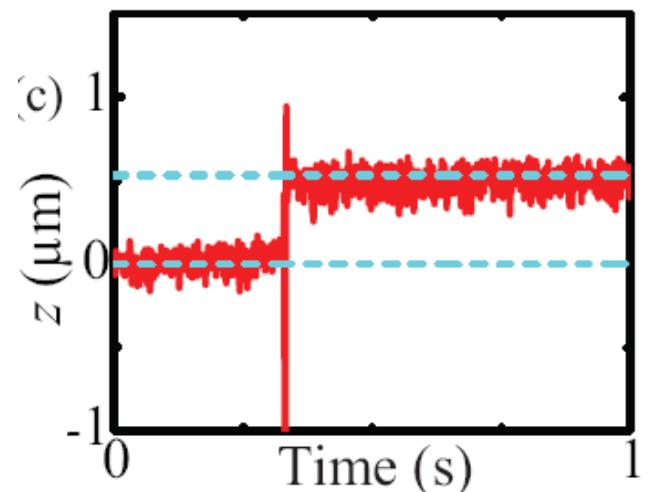
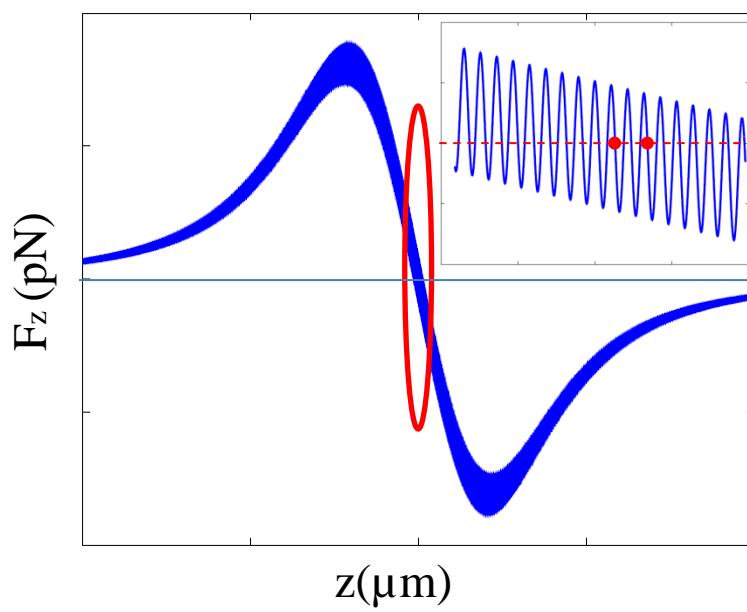
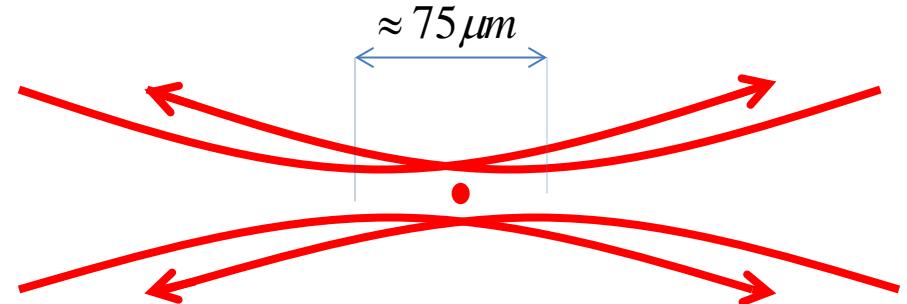
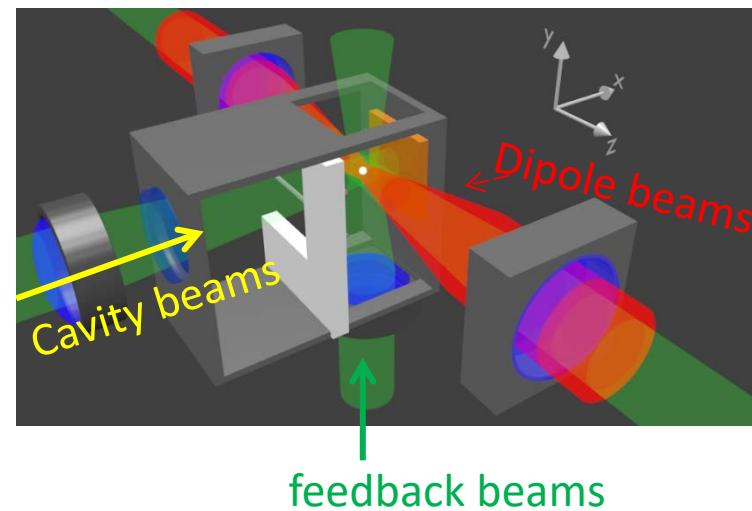


# MEMS actuator

- Device for positioning drive mass



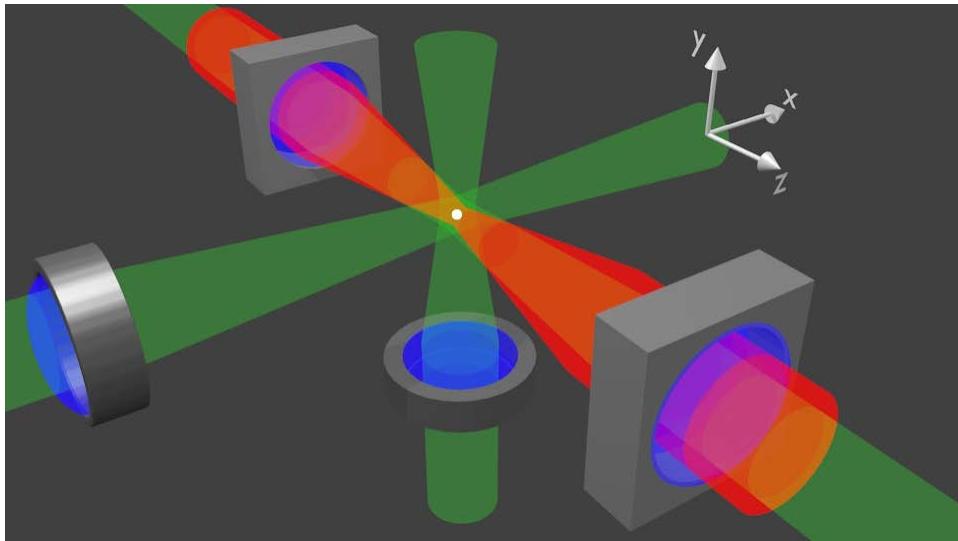
# Standing wave optical trap



# 3D feedback cooling of a nanosphere

Needed to stabilize the particle, damp and cool it

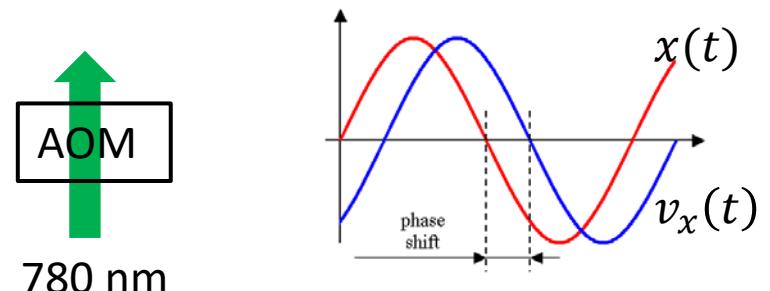
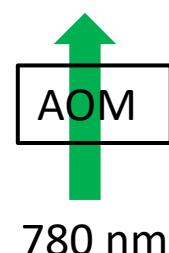
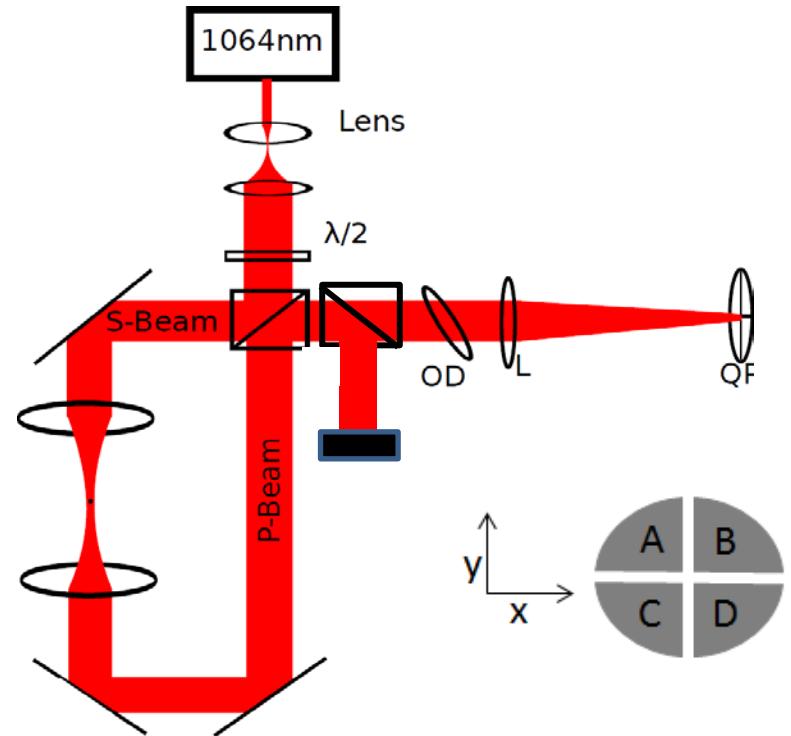
Mitigate photon recoil heating



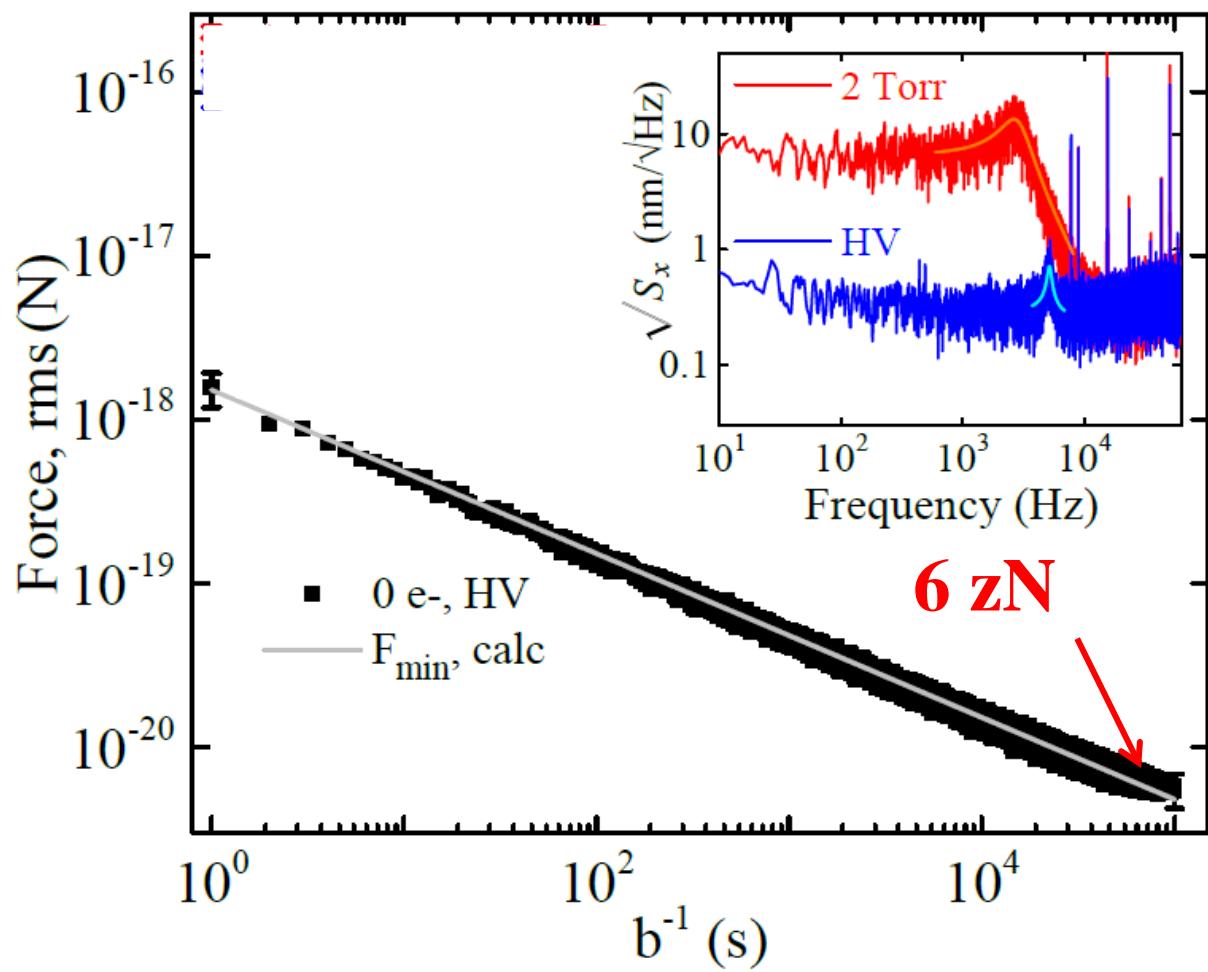
$$F_{\min} = \sqrt{\frac{4kK_B TB}{\omega_0 Q}}$$

$$Q_{eff} = \frac{Q_0 \Gamma_0}{\Gamma_0 + \Gamma_{cool}}$$

$$T_{eff} = \frac{T_0 \Gamma_0}{\Gamma_0 + \Gamma_{cool}}$$



# Zeptonewton force sensing



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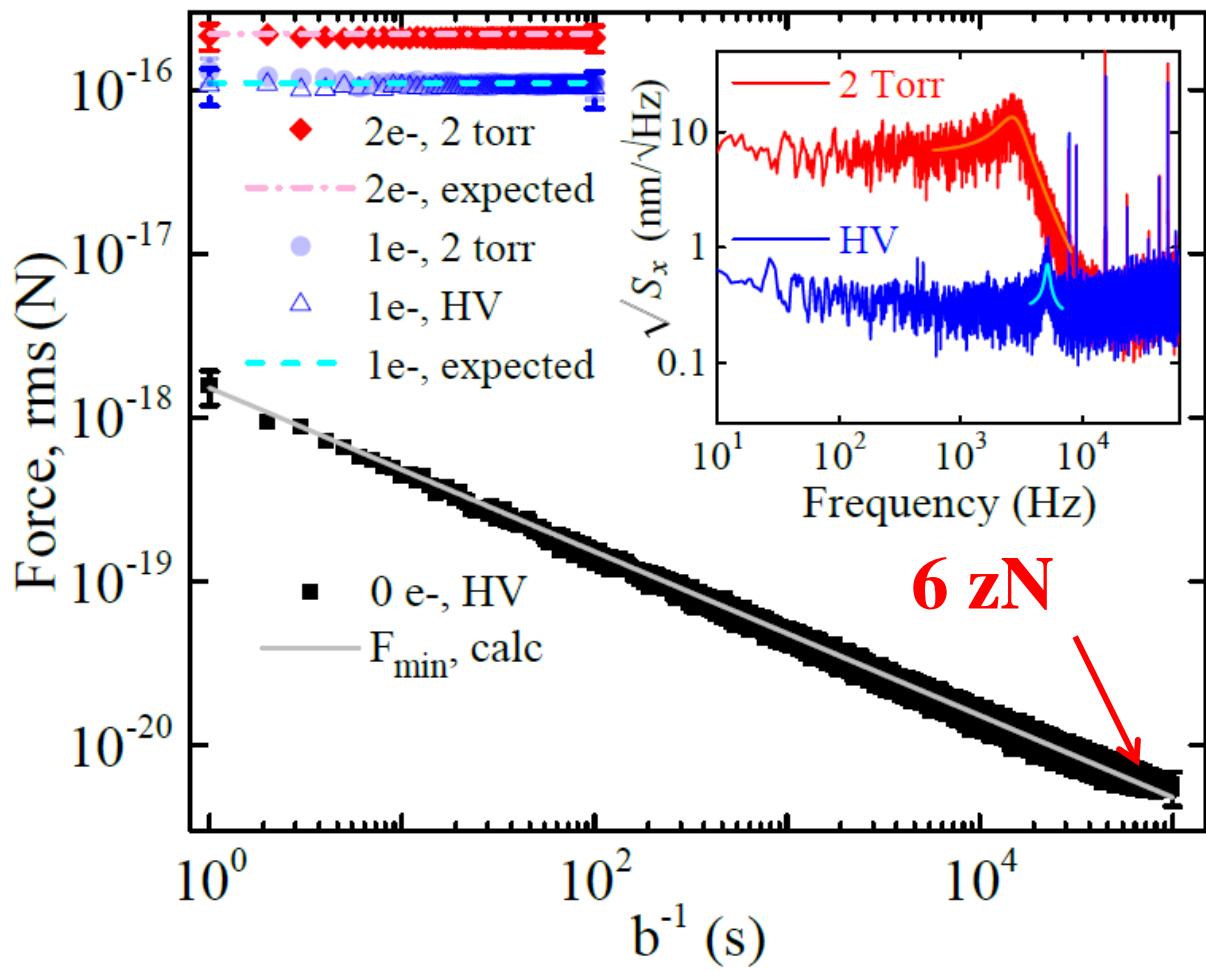
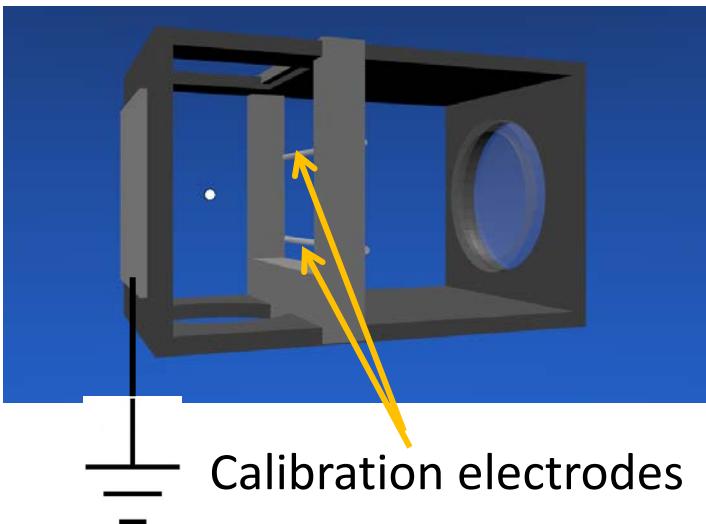
# Zeptonewton force sensing

## Electrostatic Calibration

90% of beads are neutral

Neutral beads stay neutral

Charge stays constant over days

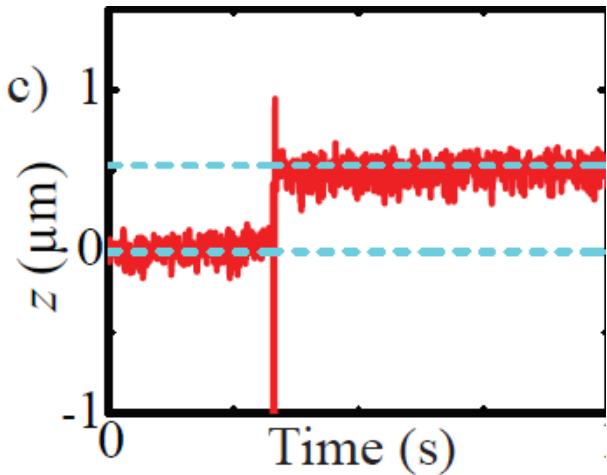


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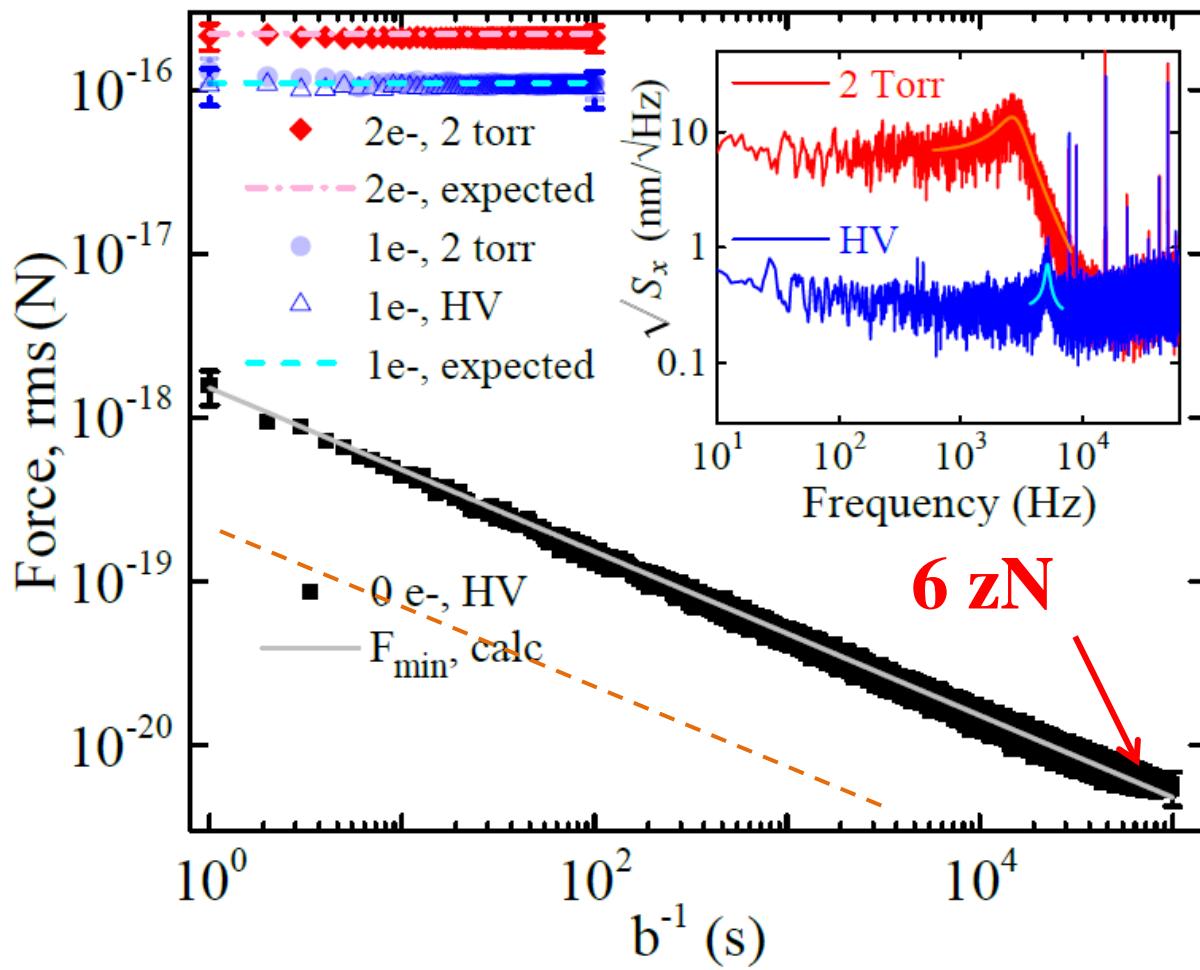
# Zeptonewton force sensing

## Optical lattice calibration



Useful for neutral objects

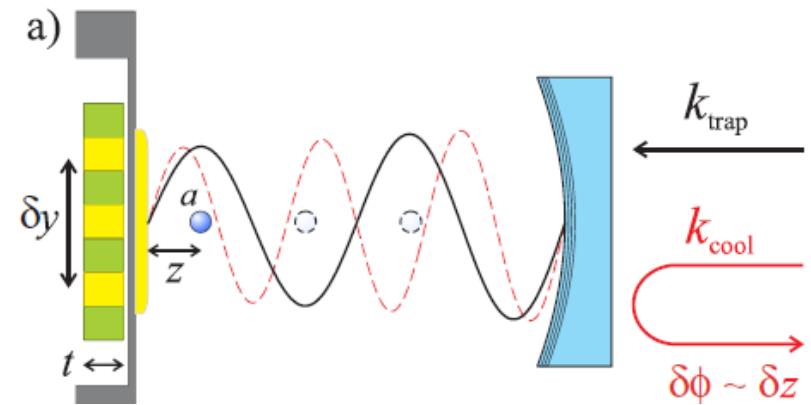
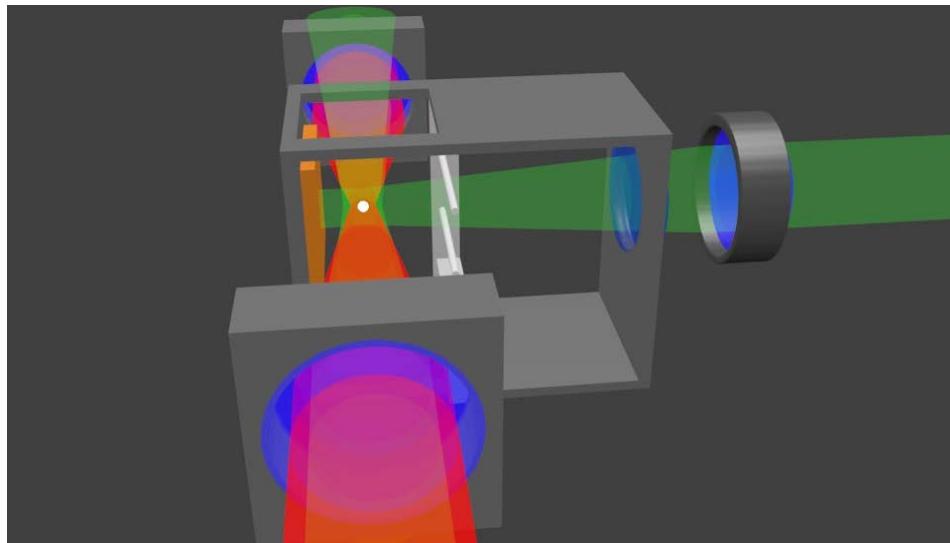
Method consistent with electric field approach



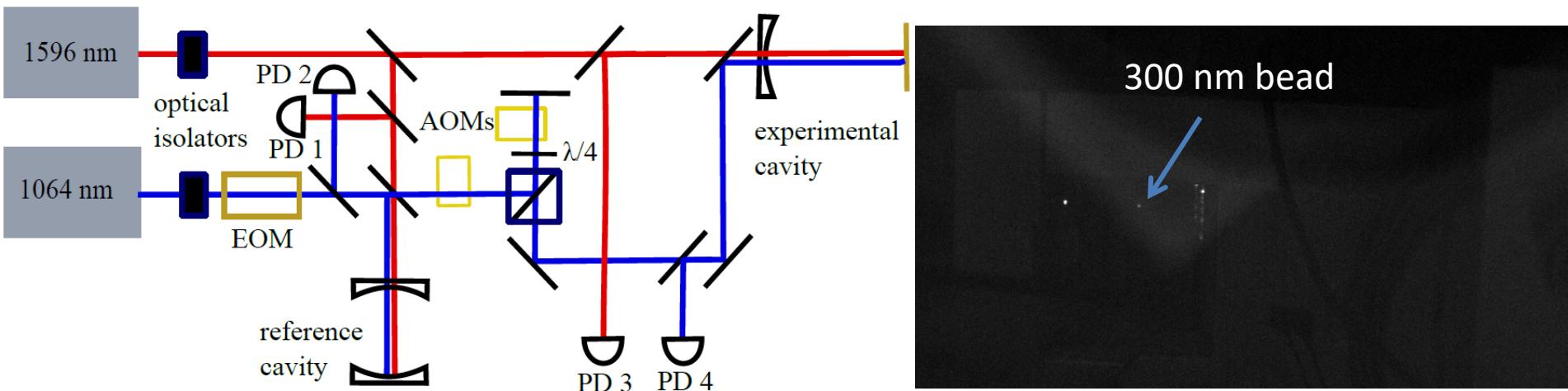
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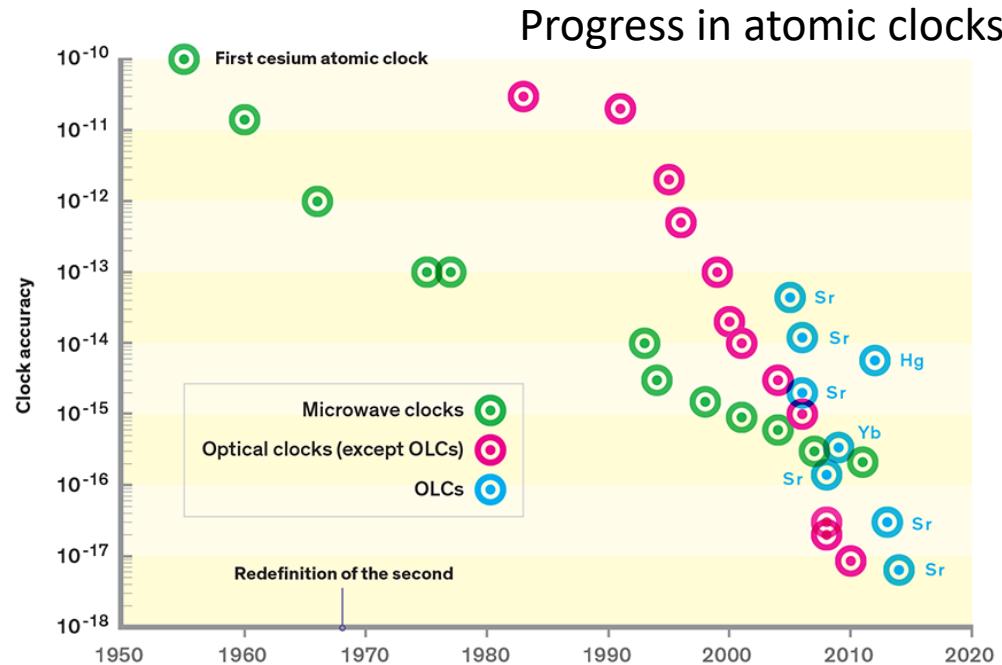
# Next: Cavity Trapping and cooling



1596nm beam to trap a bead at its antinode → localization  
1064nm beam to cavity cool the CM of bead → position readout



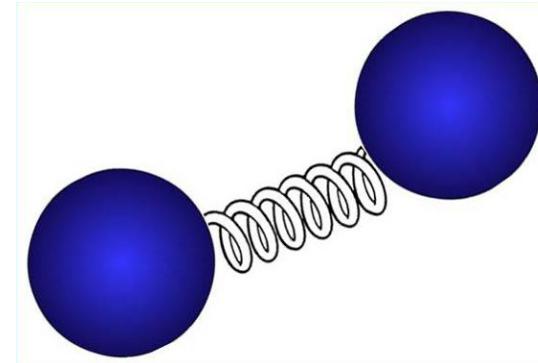
# AMO- based techniques



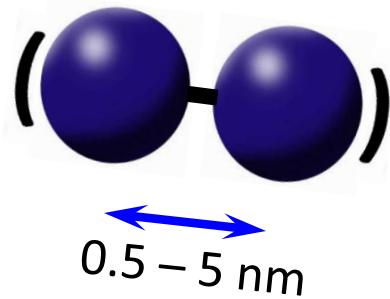
A molecular quantum clock, a device that precisely measures the vibrations of this spring,

- Time variation of electron-to-proton mass ratio
- Test if unknown forces - besides electromagnetism and Newtonian gravity - modify the vibrations of the spring at the nanometer length scale.

(Sr Molecular clock)

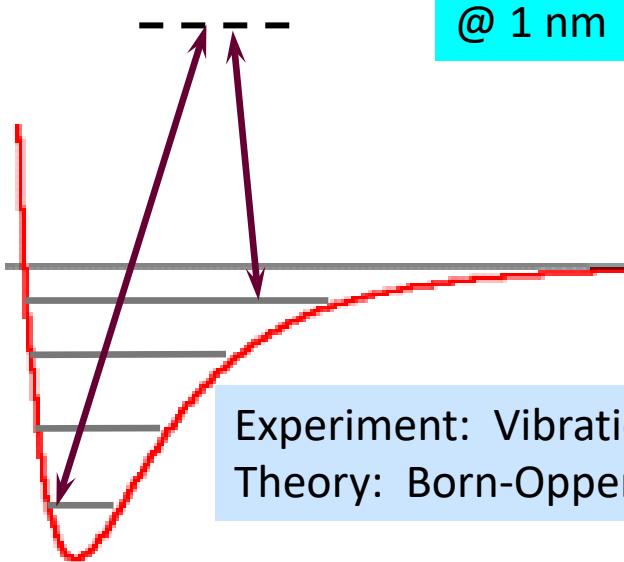


# Nanometer-Scale Mass-Dependent Forces with Ultracold Molecules



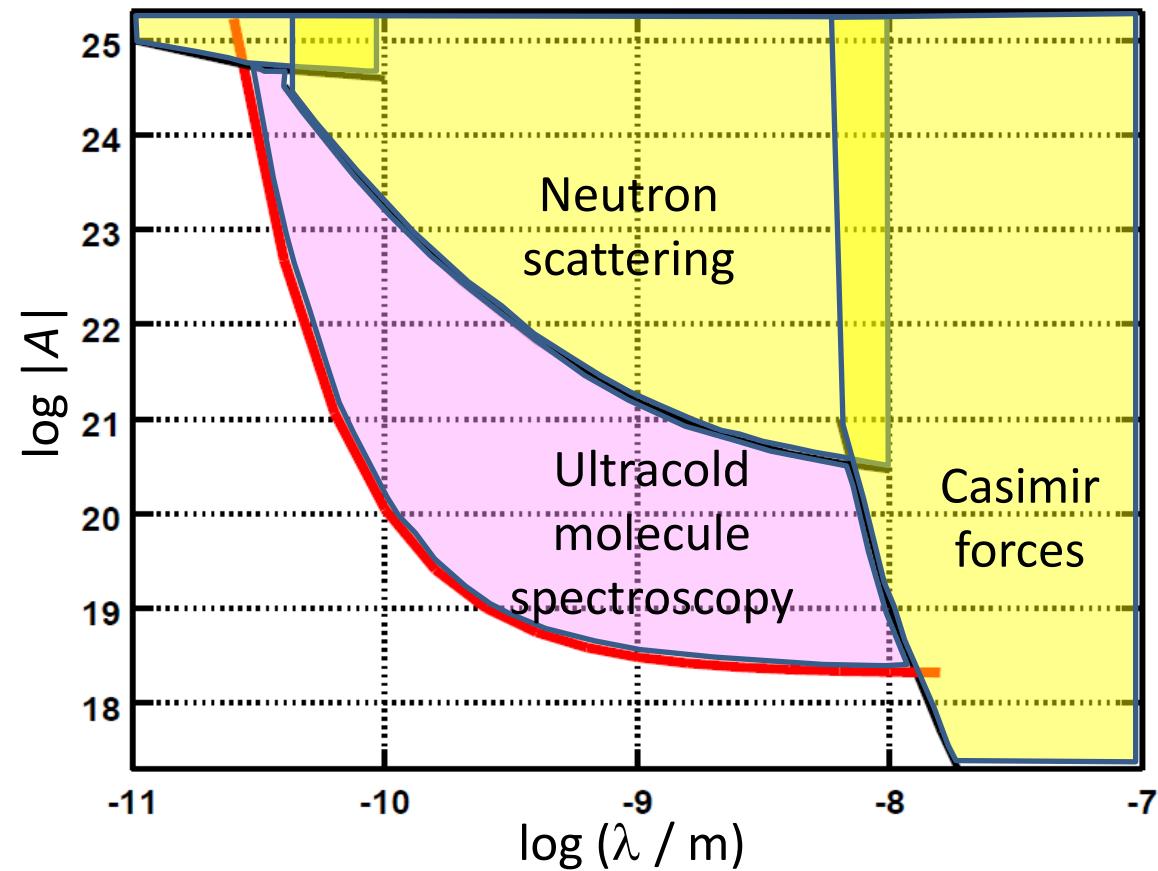
$$V = -\frac{GM^2}{r}(1 + Ae^{-r/\lambda})$$

$A < 10^{21}$   
@ 1 nm !



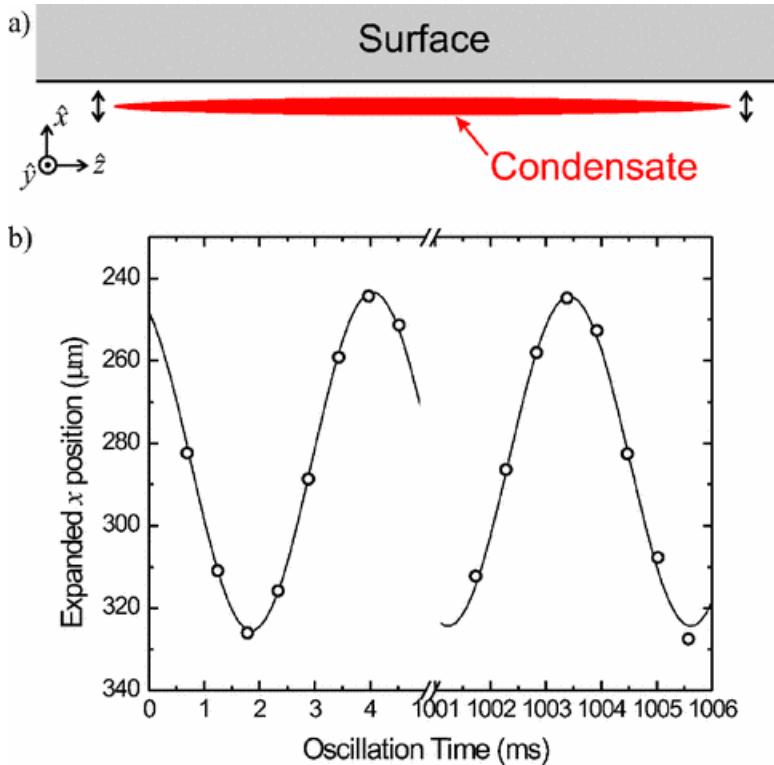
Experiment: Vibrational spectroscopy of molecular isotopes  
Theory: Born-Oppenheimer and mass-dependent corrections

Slide: T. Zelevinsky



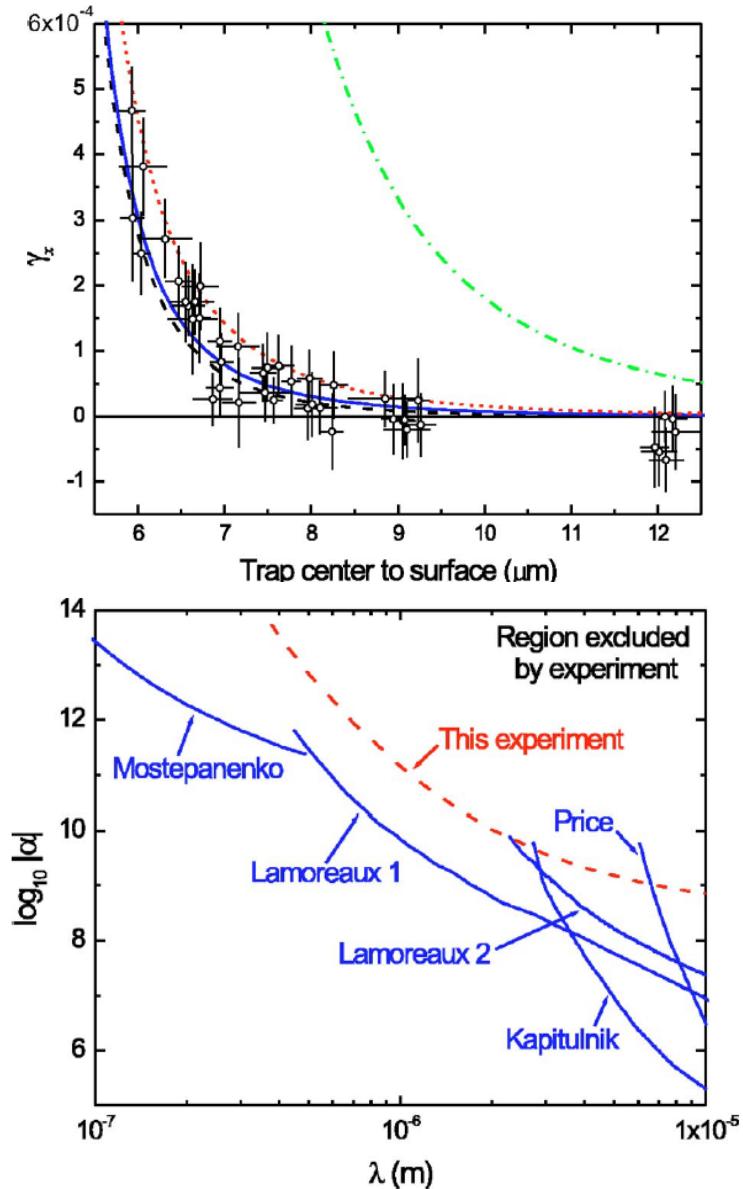
# Atomic Bose-Einstein condensates

## Casimir-Polder force measurements

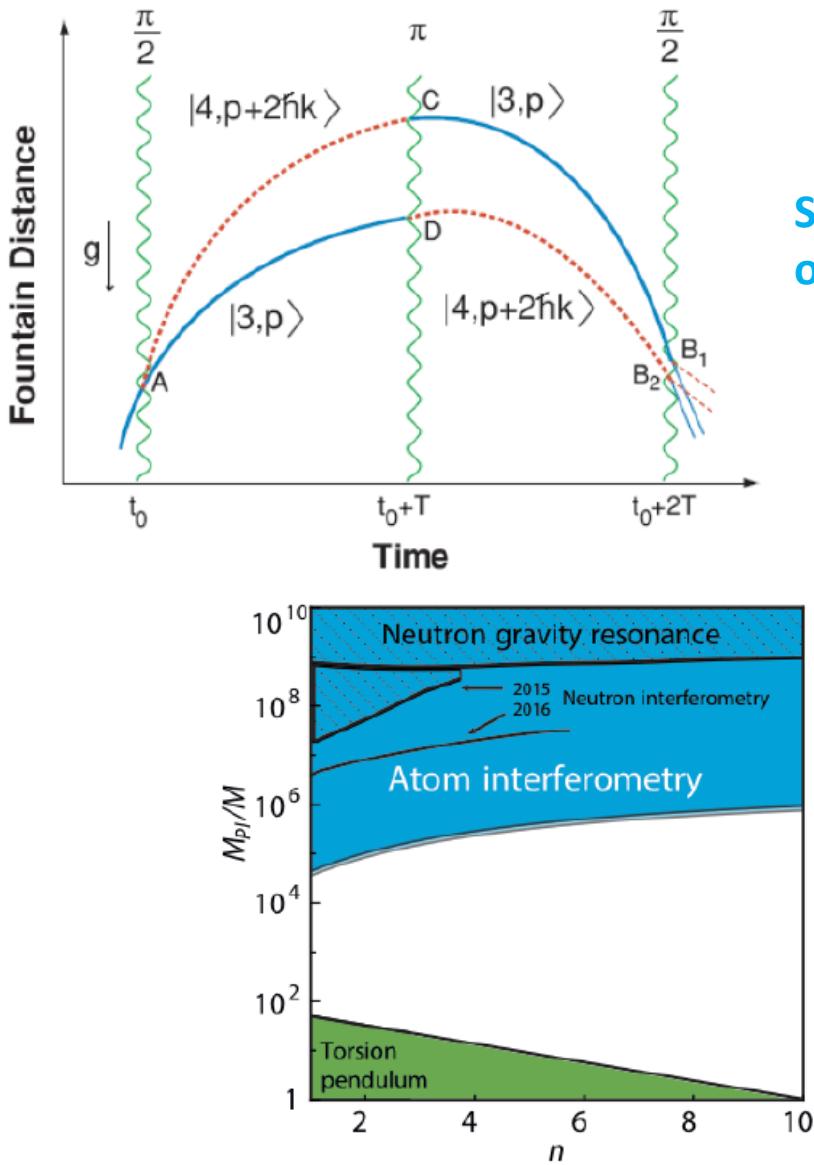


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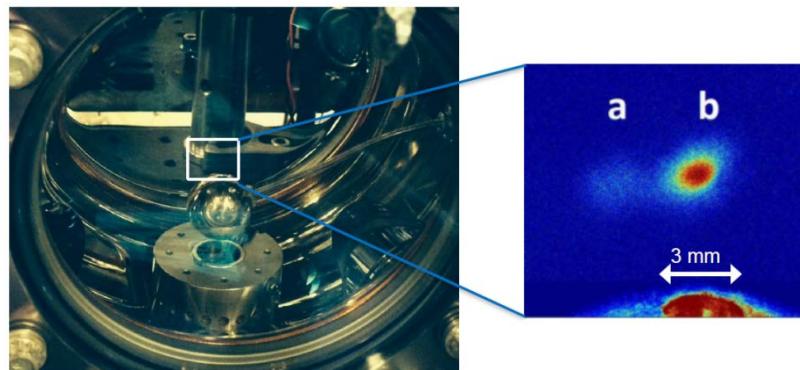


# Atom interferometers



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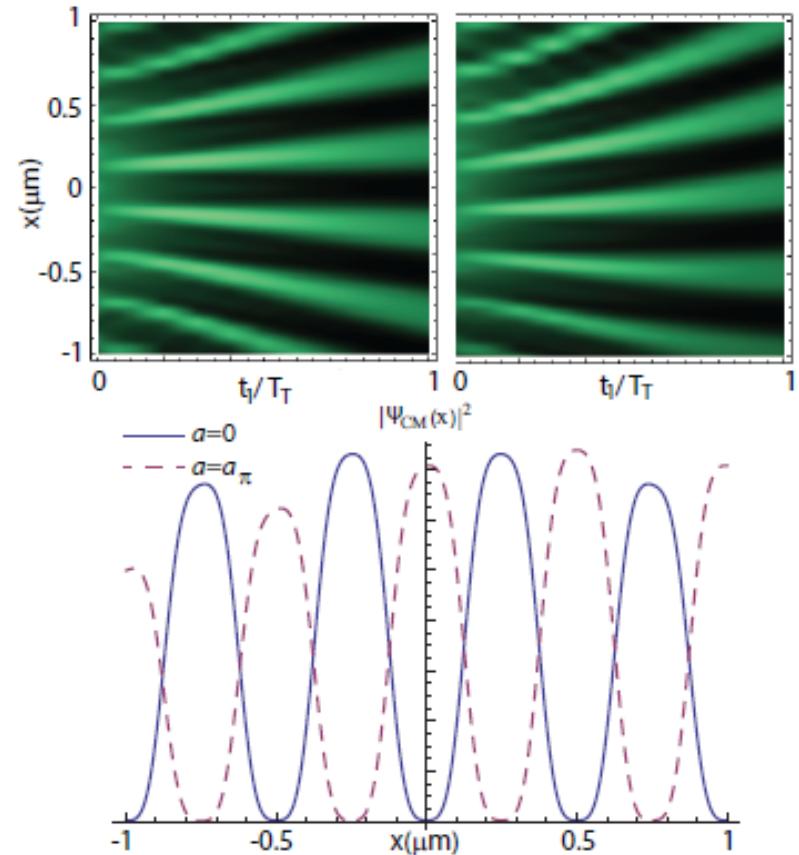
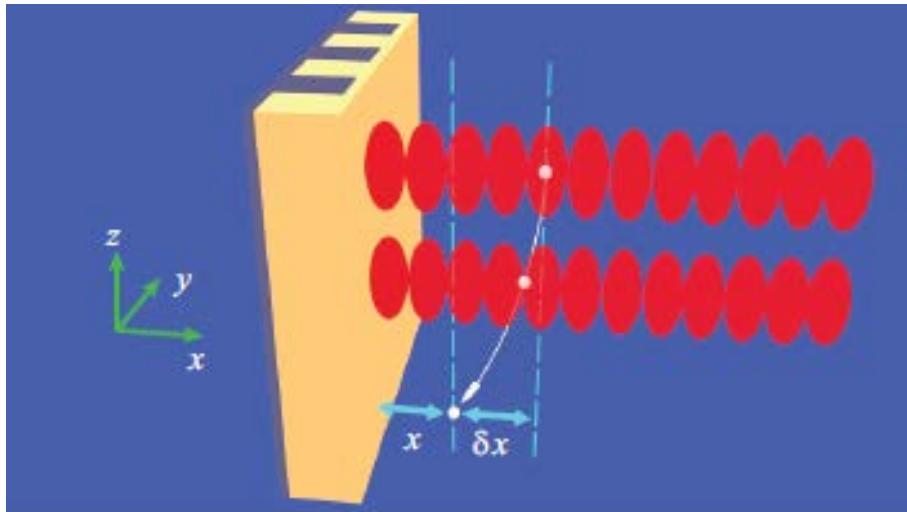
Search for Chameleons (screened within matter,  
only shell contributes, except for atoms!)



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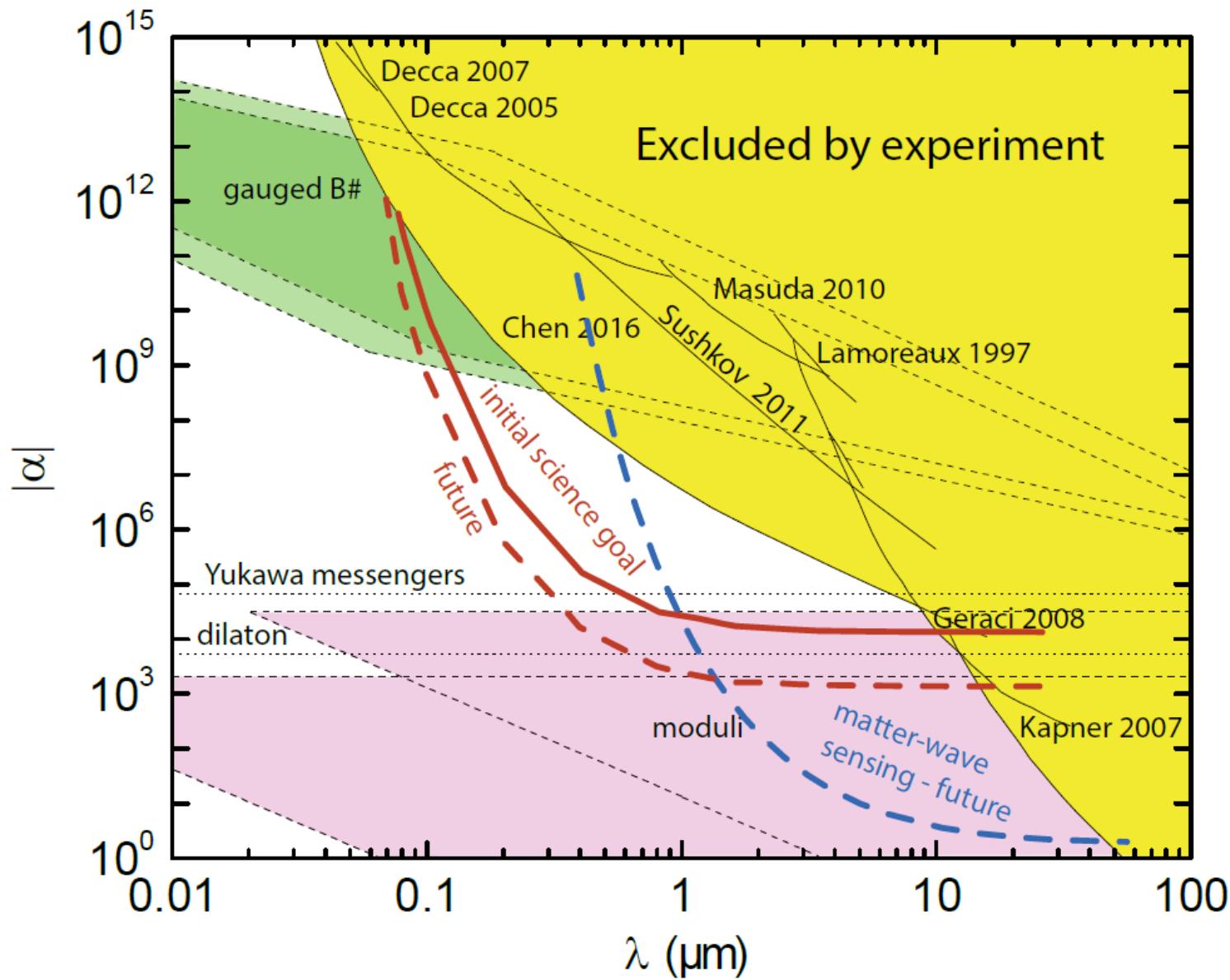
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# Matter-wave interferometry



ng acceleration  
sensing

# Projected reach-nanosphere matter-wave interferometer



# Summary

- Rich possibilities for new science
  - ✓ Tests of gravity
  - ✓ Dark Sector Physics
  - ✓ Beyond the Standard Model
- Diverse set of techniques from researchers of varying backgrounds and expertise
  - Atomic, Molecular, Optical Physics
  - Condensed matter and low-temperature physics
  - Torsion balances/precision mechanical measurements